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# **Augmented Reality for Student Learning Media: A Bibliometric Analysis** and Visualization

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Augmented Reality is a study that is now popular. Many researches theme have been published in various reputable journals. The purpose of this study is to provide an overview and visualization of Augmented Reality which is used as a medium of learning. This research is a qualitative research through descriptive analysis with literature review formed in bibliometric analysis which describes and visualizes ongoing phenomena as well as in the past regarding various topics related to Augmented Reality. Through the Scopus database source, there are 882 documents related to Augmented Reality were obtained from 2016 to 2020 and various data related to the number of documents by country, author, subject area, visualization of relationships between topics. Topics that are categorized as rare or have not been associated with AR will be an option for us to study more deeply so that it will give knowledge to the scientific of AR as a medium for student learning.

**Keywords:** Augmented Reality, Bibliometric Analysis, Literature Review, Media.



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## INTRODUCTION

Education is the fundamental entity in the development of a nation. The achievement in managing education is determined by the quality of human resources. In an effort to improve the quality of human resources, it is necessary to improve the learning process in every level, one of them is high school level. Various forms of learning practices with various paradigms have been carried out, including the constructivism paradigm. Constructivism of learning explains that students create their own learning (Schunk, 2012). It encourages the teacher's role no longer as a learning center but as a facilitator, mediator and mentor. Likewise, students in the learning process do not only rely on the teacher but also must be active and have good learning independence so that the learning process takes place according to the expected goals. Similarly, learning independence is seen as one of the main competencies for 21st century students (Wolters, 2010). In order to support independent learning, it needs media that can provide external motivation.

Technological developments are able to help limitations of learning. Digital technology is an open gateway to new alternative learning and options that support the acquisition of selfregulatory skills (Schneckenberg, Ehlers, & Adelsberger, 2011). Augmented Reality (AR) is one of the uses of computer content technology that is raised in a real world environment (Wang, Callaghan, Bernhardt, & White, 2017). AR technology refers to the inclusion of virtual elements in the view of the actual physical environment, to create mixed reality in real time (Miguel, Ruizrube, & Manuel, 2018). AR can be applied to different devices such as smartphones, tablets, laptops, computers or head-mounted monitors (Miguel, Ruiz-rube, & Manuel, 2018). AR can be applied to different devices such as smartphones, tablets, laptops, computers or head-mounted monitors (Pedaste, Mitt, & Jürivete, 2020). AR provides the ability to overlay image, text, video, and audio components onto an existing image or space. AR technology has been able to bridge the gap and bring a more tangible learning approach. Student-centered activities can be enhanced by combining virtual and real-world experiences. In an effort to develop AR-based media, a needs analysis in learning is carried out.

#### **METHODS**

This research is a qualitative research with descriptive analysis techniques with literature studies which is equipped with bibliometric analysis where the study seeks to describe existing phenomena, that happen currently and in the past and it is added with various topics related to AR. This article highlighted the discussion of AR for student learning media with Scopus data sources from 2016 to 2020. The article metadata that has been obtained through the Publish or Perish software is then visualized and analyzed using the Vosviewer software.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Results

Augmented Reality (AR) is one of the uses of computer content technology that is raised in a real world environment (Wang et al., 2017). AR technology refers to the inclusion of virtual elements in the view of the actual physical environment, to create mixed reality in real time (Miguel et al., 2018). Here is the concept of the position between AR, VR, and MR environments:



Figure 1. Concept of Milgram's in (Ternier, Klemke, Kalz, & Specht, 2012)

In an AR, where the virtual and physical worlds coexist, users learn while communicating with others in the same space (Martín-gutiérrez, Fabiani, Benesova, Dolores, & Mora, 2015). AR is a technology that overlays virtual objects (added constituents) into the real world (Azuma, Behringer, Feiner, Julier, & Macintyre, 2001). AR can be applied to different devices such as smartphones, tablets, laptops, computers or head-mounted monitors (Pedaste et al., 2020). AR provides opportunities based on this principle by combining printed text with virtual content (e.g., integrating video into a textbook) or by physically augmenting objects with virtual text (e.g., displaying informative text at the top of a screenshot of a historic building (Sommerauer & Müller, 2015).

10 results of research on AR in learning are presented in the following table 1.

Table 1 AR Research Results in Learning

No.	Authors	Table 1. AR Research Results i	Result
1	(Garzón, Pavón,	Systematic review and	The benefits from AR system in
T	& Baldiris, 2019)	meta-analysis of augmented	education is "benefit of studying and
	& Baluli 13, 2013)	reality in educational settings	motivation"
		reality in educational settings	motivation
2	(Parmaxi &	Augmented reality in language	The popularity of AR based on cellular
	Demetriou, 2020)	learning: A state-of-the-art	to support vocabulary (23,9%),
	,	review of 2014–2019	reading (12,7%), speaking (9,9%)
			writing (8,5%) or general language
			ability (9,9%).
3	(Fan, Antle, &	Augmented Reality	Revealing three AR learning activities :
	Warren, 2020)	for Early Language	spelling word game, activity
		Learning: A Systematic	knowledge word, activity location
		Review of Augmented	word.
		Reality Application	
		Design, Instructional	
		Strategies, and	
		<b>Evaluation Outcomes</b>	
4	(Alzahrani, 2020)	Augmented Reality: A Systematic	AR increasing involvement, motivation,
		Review of Its	caring / focus, interactivity, verbal
		Benefits and Challenges in E-	participation, consentration,
		learning Contexts	knowledge retension, and spasial
			ability, also information aksesibility
5	(Khan, Johnston,	The Impact of an Augmented	Caring,
	& Ophoff, 2019)	Reality Application on	Satisfying and increasing of motivation
		Learning Motivation of Students	belief factor, and this result find
			significantly
6	(Arici, Yildirim,	Research trends in the use of	"Motivation" and "Manner" have been
	Caliklar, &	augmented reality in science	being the most researched variable in
	Yilmaz, 2019)	education: Content and	article.
		bibliometric mapping analysis	
7	(Chen, 2019)	Effect of Mobile	AR group work better than non AR-
		Augmented Reality on	Group.
		Learning Performance,	
		Motivation, and Math	
		Anxiety in a Math	
		Course	
8	(Ng et al., 2019)	Effectiveness of virtual and	VR training programe proven
		augmented reality-enhanced	increasing frequency of physical
		exercise on	activity and the power of physical
		physical activity, psychological	performance effectively
		outcomes, and physical	
		performance: A	
		systematic review and meta-	
		analysis of randomized	
	/p. l	controlled trials	
9	(Pedaste et al.,	What Is the E	AR, in inquiry basis learning context,
	2020)	ect of Using Mobile Augmented	for the most part is applied
		Reality in K12 Inquiry-Based	successfully to achieve cognitif and,
		Learning?	It is seldom, motivating dan emotional
			learning goals

10	(Kaplan et al., 2020)	The Effects of Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality, and Mixed	In some studies, reality that wider is as effective as general training mechanism
		Reality as Training Enhancement Methods: A Meta-Analysis	mechanism

Through the Scopus database source based on search keywords TITLE-ABS-KEY ( augmented AND reality) AND (LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR, 2020) OR LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR, 2019) ) OR LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR, 2018) OR LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR, 2017) OR LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR , 2016)) AND (LIMIT-TO (DOCTYPE, "cp")) AND (LIMIT-TO (SUBJAREA, "SOCI")) AND ( LIMIT-TO ( EXACTKEYWORD , "Augmented Reality" ) ) obtained 882 documents related to Augmented Reality from 2016 to 2020.

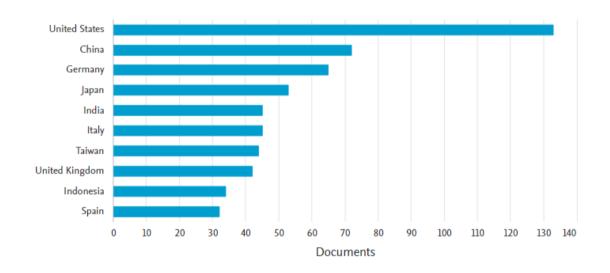


Figure 2. Documents by country or territory

Based on Figure 2, we can see that the top 10 countries that produced the most articles are: United States with 133 documents, China with 72 documents, Germany with 65 documents, Japan with 53 documents, India with 45 documents, Italy with 45 documents, Taiwan with 44 documents, United Kingdom with 42 documents, Indonesia with 34 documents, and Spain with 32 documents.

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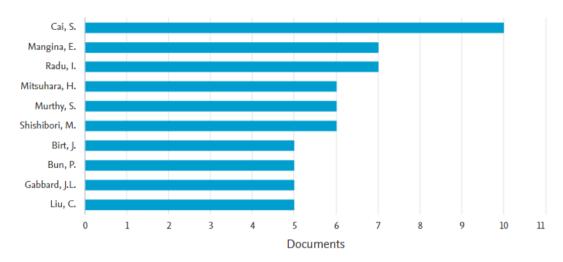


Figure 3. Documents by author

Based on Figure 3, we can see that the top 10 author positions are: Cai, S. with 10 documents, Mangina, E. with 7 documents, Radu, I. with 7 documents, Mitsuhara, H. with 6 documents, Murthy, S. with 6 documents, Shishibori, M. with 6 documents, Birt, J. with 5 documents, Bun, P. with 5 documents, Gabbard, JL with 5 documents, and Liu, C. with 5 documents.

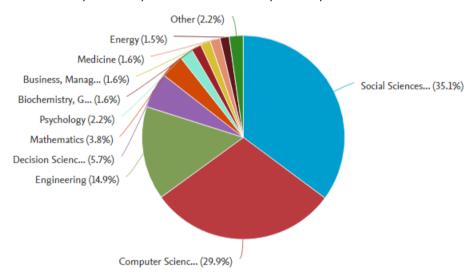


Figure 4. Documents by subject area

Based on Figure 4, the 5 largest categories of articles based on their fields are: Social Sciences with 35.1%, Computer Science 29.9%, Engineering 14.9%, Decision Sciences with 5.7%, and Mathematics with 3.8%.

Then the data taken in RIS format is visualized with VOSviewer as shown below:

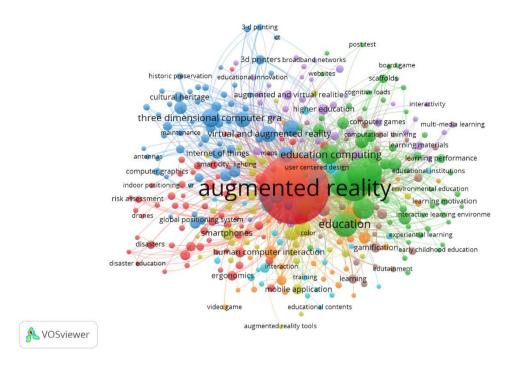


Figure 5. Overlay Visualization

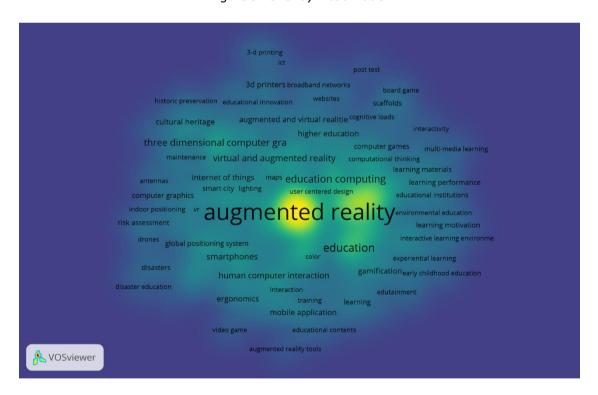


Figure 6. Density Visualization

Based on Figure 6, we can see the appearance of research topics related to Augmented Reality that have a relationship each other, some are close in distance, it means that the relationship is stronger than others. The larger size of circle or writing, the more topic is researched. Based on

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Figure 7, it can be seen that the color display depends on the density of the items at the point. Yellow color means denser or often discussed than green and blue. So that we can map topics that have not been studied much related to AR.

#### Discussion

Various benefits in the application of AR technology in education have been investigated. AR technology can improve students' laboratory skills and help them build positive attitudes towards physics laboratories (Akçayır, Akçayır, Pektas, & Ocak, 2016). The use of Augmented Reality on mobile applications can increase the learning motivation of health science undergraduate students. Attention, satisfaction, and motivational belief factors increased, and these results were significant (Khan et al., 2019). The application of AR in mathematics learning resulted in better learning performance, motivation and anxiety levels than the group without AR (Chen, 2019).

Based on the various benefits derived from implementing AR in learning, Augmented Reality technology allows students the freedom to actively experience digital content and integrate new information into their existing knowledge base individually. Thus, the AR learning experience is very much in line with the principles of constructivism (Wang et al., 2017). The various visualized topics surrounding the currently researched AR that have been published in the journal Scopus have provided important information. For us, Topics that are categorized as rare or have not been associated with AR will be an option for us to study more deeply so that it will add to the scientific repertoire of AR.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Augmented reality is one of the alternative media that is currently being studied in the scope of learning from various disciplines. Various benefits of AR media have been researched and published in various journals, especially journals that have been indexed by Scopus. Writers in Asia, namely Indonesia, also contributed to the top 10 in the number of publications based on their country. The trend of research on AR will continue to grow with new learning approaches that will also make more use of the virtual environment.

However, the utilization of the literature obtained in research and the use of applications in analyzing this data can still be said to be limited. There are still many data sources other than Scopus that can be used. For future research, data sources from the web of science or other sources can be added. Likewise, to analyze bibliometric data, applications other than VOSviewer can be added to complete the visualization.

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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