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# State of AI

**July Board Offsite**

12:30 – 4:15 PM | Wednesday July 24, 2024

# Session Overview

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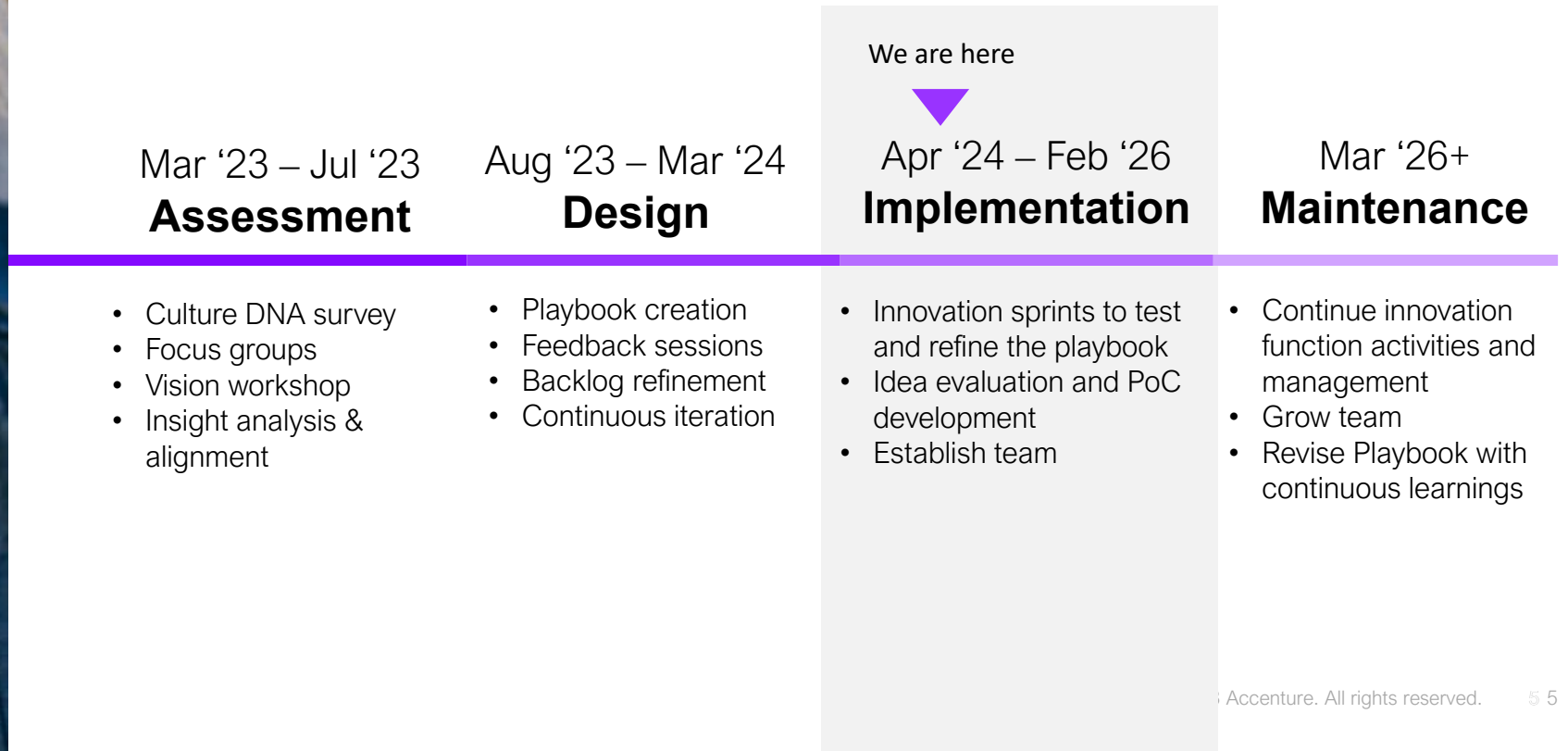
**GenAI is one of many potential enablers for innovation.**

**Innovation is a new way  
of doing things to evolve  
the experiences of our  
members and our people.**



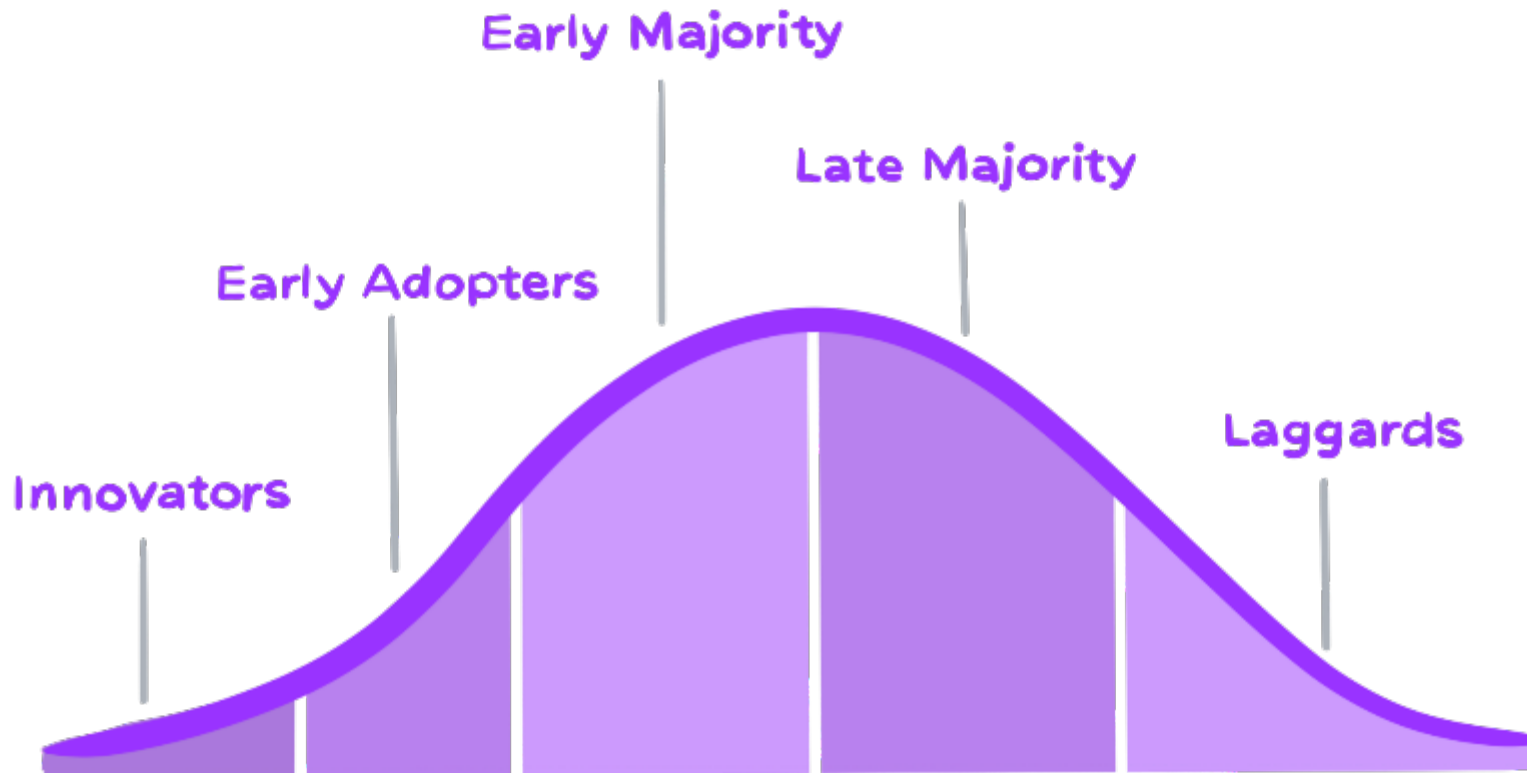
# Our Innovation Journey

CalSTRS has embarked on a three-year journey to become a more innovative organization. In partnership with Accenture, we have mapped out a four-phase plan to **assess** the current state of our culture and capabilities, set a vision, **design** and **implement** the future state, and **maintain** and evolve the program.



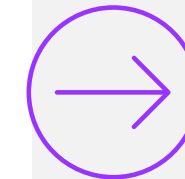
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# Where do you think CalSTRS should be on the innovation adoption curve for GenAI?



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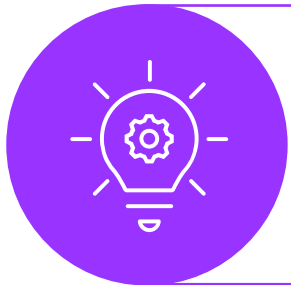
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# Today's Objectives



Build a **common understanding** of GenAI and where CalSTRS currently is on our AI journey.



Get input for a **shared vision** of the future of GenAI at CalSTRS.







# Agenda

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12:30 PM **Session Overview**

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12:40 PM **Understanding GenAI**

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1:15 PM **Panel Discussion**

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2:00 PM **Break**

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2:15 PM **AI at CalSTRS: Current Practices  
and Our Immediate Horizon**

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3:00 PM **Breakout Groups**

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3:45 PM **Shareback + Next Steps**

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# Understanding GenAI

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# Economic Impact of GenAI

### Ecosystem Investment

Technology companies are investing in AI more than any other technology

**\$130B**

### Economic Impact

GenAI could increase global GDP by

Up to **\$7T**

GenAI could increase annual US GDP by

**1.5%**

Catapulted by advances in GenAI, Technology is the no. 1 cause of change

**76%** of executives saw GenAI as more of an opportunity than a threat

**Only 27%** of executives claim their organizations are ready to scale up GenAI.

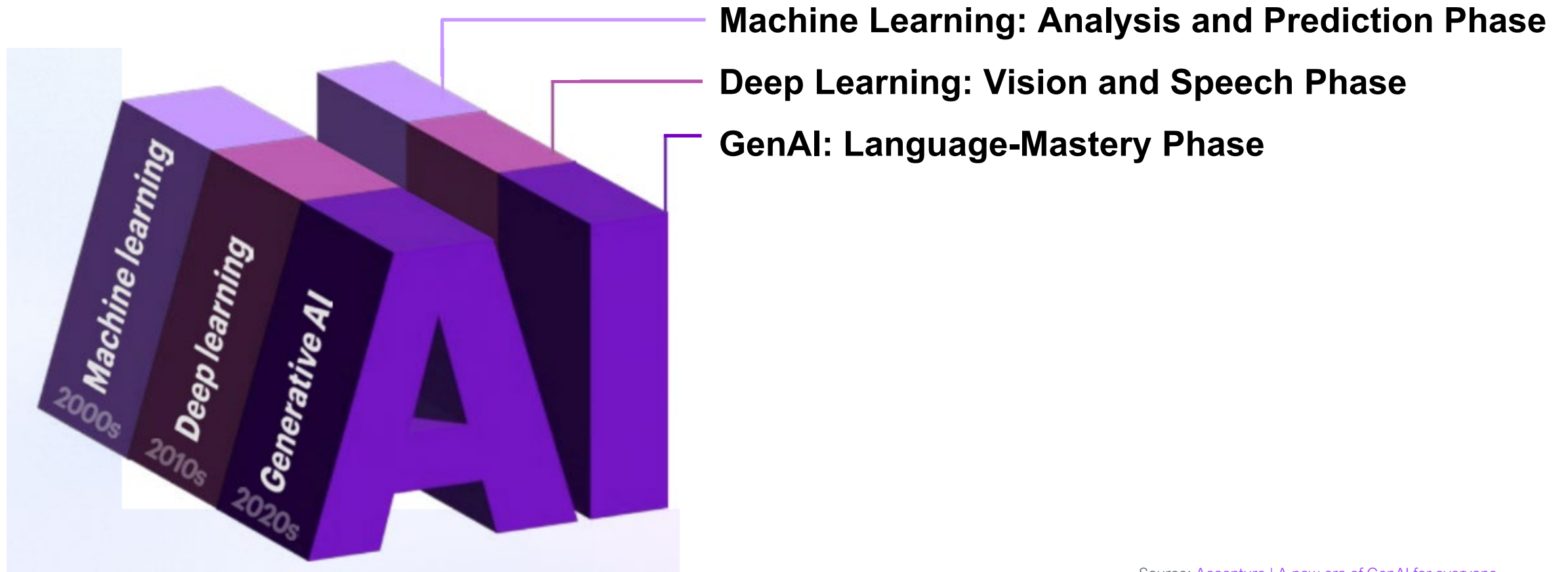
**95%** of executives believe GenAI will compel their organization to modernize its tech architecture  
*(Accenture research)*

**GenAI has become a top priority for the Executives**

**80%** of conversational AI offerings will have GenAI embedded by 2025, up from 20% in 2023.

**90%** of service providers will use GenAI for software development services by 2027  
*(Gartner)*

# GenAI is a **step change** in the evolution of AI.



Source: [Accenture | A new era of GenAI for everyone](#)

# Open vs Closed GenAI

## Open GenAI

A system where the source code, algorithms, and data are openly available for public usage. **It uses publicly available and potentially copyrighted information.**

**Examples** of open AI include open-source machine learning tools like ChatGPT.

**Benefits** include accessibility and shared participation.

**Drawbacks** include data security and data privacy, copyright issues, and quality control.

## Closed GenAI

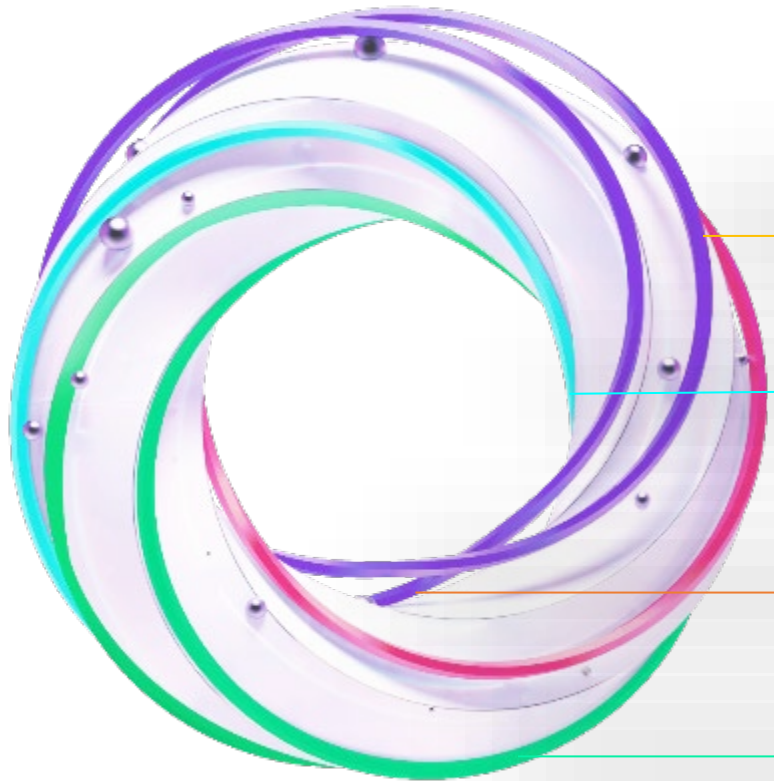
A system that uses information that come from closed sources, making sure information is accurate and secure. **Algorithms and data are proprietary and not openly shared with the public.**

**Examples** of closed AI include products such M365 Co-Pilot.

**Benefits** include quality control and assurance, protection of proprietary data, consistency and reliability. Necessary safeguards are in place with Open GenAI to ensure security.

# How does it work?

There are **multiple essential layers** below the surface of GenAI applications.



## Essential elements to increase your intelligence index

### ● Applications

User interface layer that uses data from foundational model to generate content

**Examples: ChatGPT (or GenAI chatbots built on foundation models)**

### ● Fine-Tuning

Process by which foundation models are adapted for specific downstream tasks using a particular dataset

**Examples: train a model to compose emails based on your personal writing style**

### ● Foundation Model

Complex machine learning systems trained on vast quantities of data (text, images, audio, or a mix of data types) on a massive scale

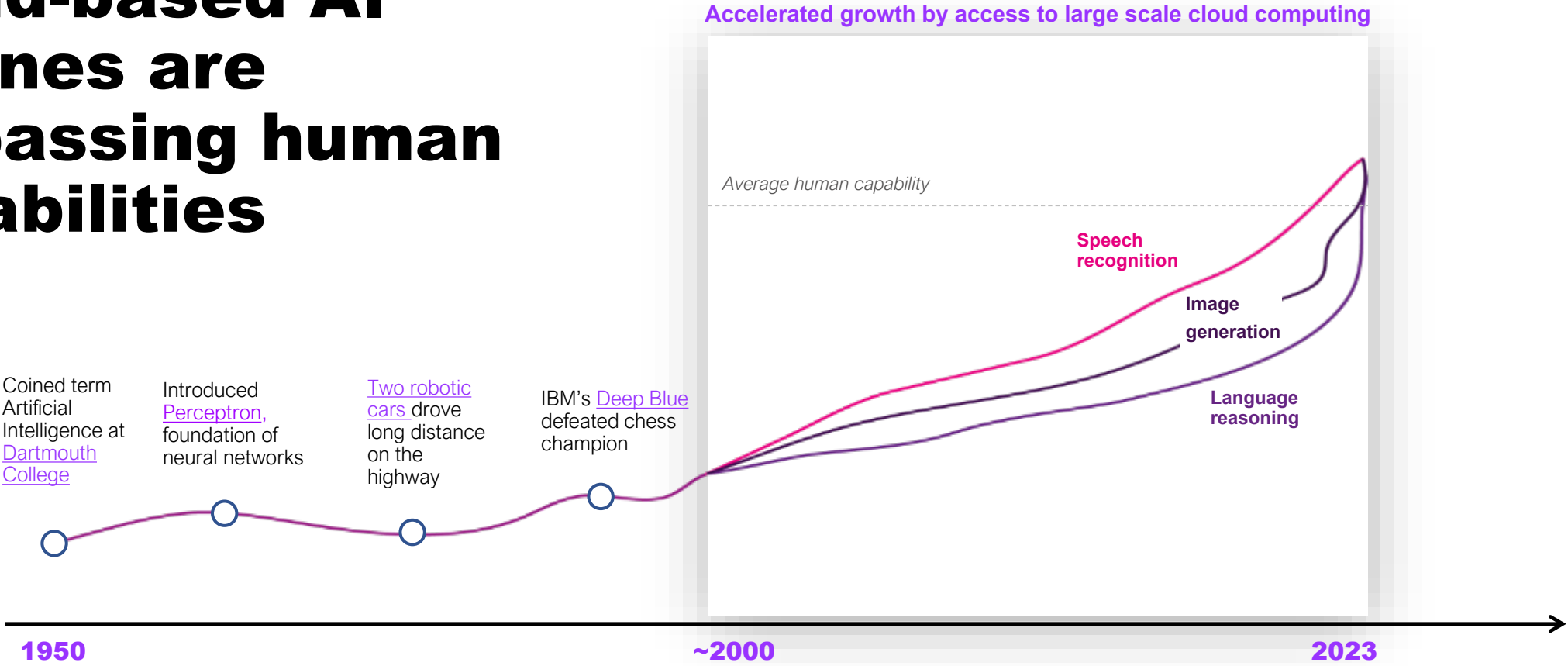
**Examples: GPT-3, DALL-E 2**

### ● Data

A fundamental base of GenAI, for training and fine-tuning foundational models

**Examples: internet text, including websites, books and articles**

# Cloud-based AI engines are surpassing human capabilities

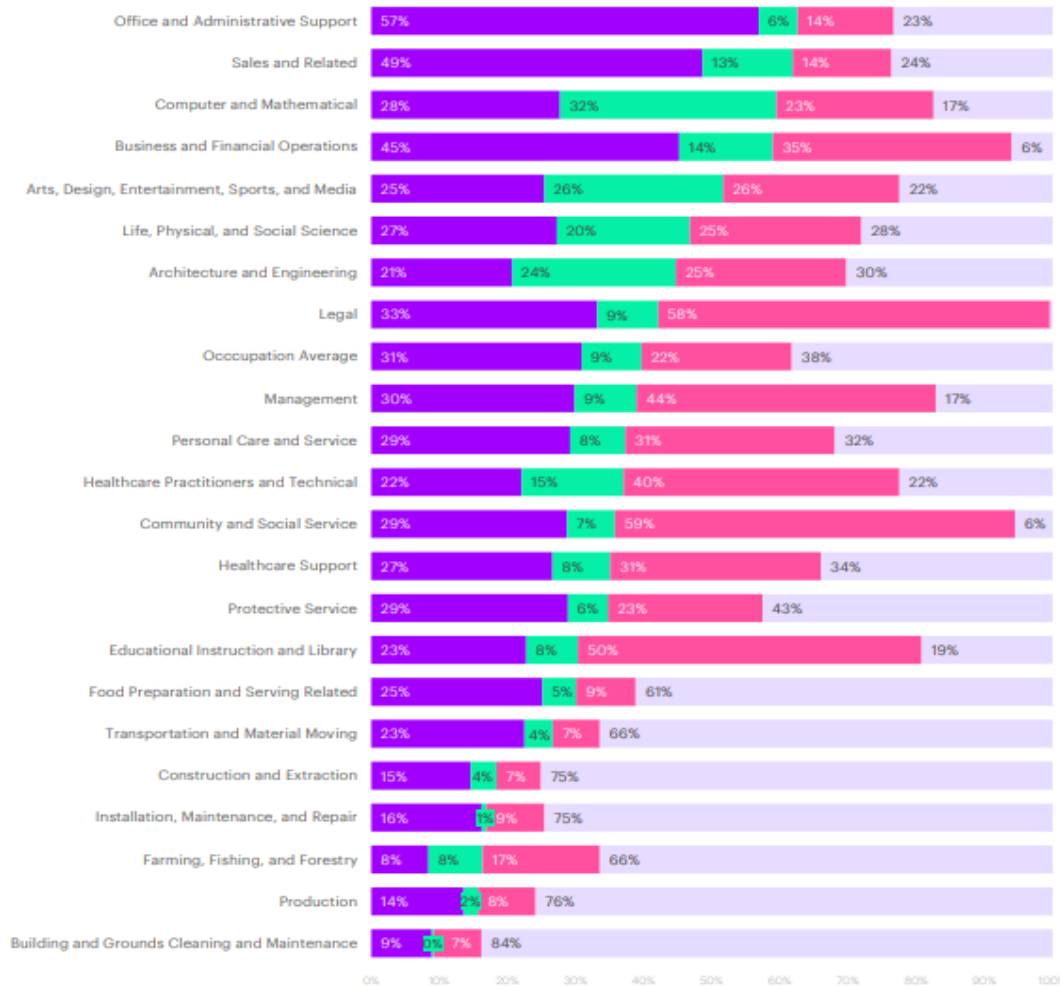


We are at an inflection point where AI capabilities are reaching and driving beyond human capabilities at generalized skills

# GenAI will transform work across every job category

## Take a people-first approach

Success with generative AI requires an equal attention on people and training as it does on technology. Companies should therefore dramatically ramp up investment in talent to address two distinct challenges: creating AI and using AI. This means both building talent in technical competencies like AI engineering and enterprise architecture and training people across the organization to work effectively with AI-infused processes. In our analysis across 22 job categories, for example, we found that LLMs will impact every category, ranging from 9% of a workday at the low end to 63% at the high end. More than half of working hours in 5 of the 22 occupations can be transformed by LLMs.



## Work time distribution by major occupation and potential AI impact

Based on their employment levels in the US in 2021



In 5 out of 22 occupation groups, Generative AI can affect more than half of all hours worked

**Source:** Accenture Research based on analysis of Occupational Information Network (O\*NET), US Dept. of Labor; US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Notes:** We manually identified 200 tasks related to language (out of 332 included in BLS), which were linked to industries using their share in each occupation and the occupations' employment level in each job category. Tasks with higher potential for automation can be transformed by LLMs with reduced involvement from a human worker. Tasks with higher potential for augmentation are those in which LLMs would need more involvement from human workers.

Source: [Accenture research "A new Era of GenAI for Everyone"](#), 22 March



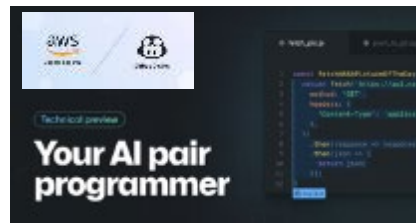
# GenAI is pushing creative expression forward by giving people tools to create content and can optimize organizations

## Code

For developers who enabled it, 40% of their code is written by CoPilot, GitHub's AI assistant or AWS Codewhisperer. This will make the creative use of code more accessible to non-developers

## Text

The most advanced domain, which has already passed Medical, Law, and Business exams. As models improve, we will see higher-quality outputs and longer-form content.



## Video

The Crow, an AI movie, won the 2022 Cannes festival in the category of short films

## Images

This is one of the most famous applications as the images AI can create are incredible and even won the top prize in a painting competition

## Speech synthesis and translation

Whisper understands speech better than humans, even with background noise, and can translate between virtually any language.

# Core building blocks for an organization's AI strategy



# Preparing, Planning, & Implementing: GenAI Building Blocks to Guide GenAI Adoption

## Strategy & Policy

Preparing & setting the stage for success

- 1 GenAI Policy**  
Responsible AI Principles, Starter Set of Policies, Impact, Permissible Uses
- 2 Governance**  
Roles, Responsibilities, Security, Owners, and Processes for decision making to drive GenAI strategically and tactically
- 3 Security, Risk, and Responsible AI Assessments**  
Enterprise Readiness & Maturity, Environment & Implementation Risks, Cost, Pathways, Risk Management Framework
- 4 Value Targeting & Benchmarking**  
Data driven insights, Performance & operational improvements, Value & Business Cases
- 5 Use Cases**  
Functional Requirements, Impact, Applications of GenAI
- 6 Service Design**  
Ideal Experience, Journey Maps, Storytelling, Personas

## Designing and Solutioning

Planning, designing, and funding new ways of working

- 7 Strategy Roadmap & Vision**  
People, Process, Technology, Sequence & Structure for change
- 8 Blueprinting**  
Operating model, Organizational design, Ways of working, New "Workitecture", Distributed control / governance
- 9 Funding**  
Sources of funds, Matching, Braiding, Models, Federal Funds, CapEx and OpEx, Savings
- 10 Architecture**  
Enterprise & Technology Architecture Standards, Alternatives Analysis, Sourcing, & Solutions

## Implementing & Scaling

Implementing new ways of working & technology

- 11 Technology Implementation**  
Implement GenAI Architecture Standards & Solutions
- 12 Organizational Change Management**  
Training, Cultural Change Management, Workforce Development, Talent Management
- 13 Workflows & Process Models**  
Implement Business Processes, Workflows, Use Cases & Service Design

Scaling & tracking to enable sustainable change

- 14 Performance Management**  
KPI's, Dashboards, Frameworks to track & monitor value and progress
- 15 Continuous Improvement**  
Scalable & Sustainable Change, Enable Continuous Reinvention

### Strategy & Program Management Office

Continuous Implementation, New Value & Use Cases, Lessons Learned, Funding, Blueprinting, works with and activates GenAI COE

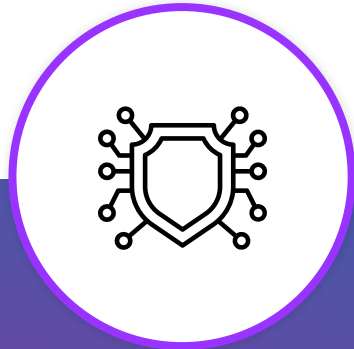
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# GenAI introduces some unique risks and challenges



## Unreliable Outputs

- Hallucinations
- Explainability and traceability
- Quality, accuracy, interpretability
- Relevancy / consistency
- Disclosure & transparency



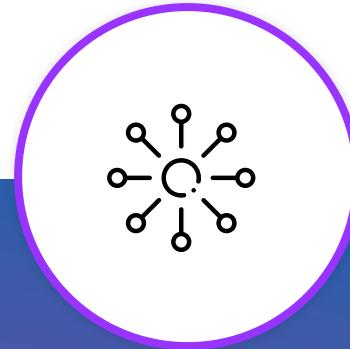
## Confidentiality & Security

- Unauthorized disclosure of confidential information
- Security vulnerabilities



## Liability & Compliance

- Copyright, IP, and content ownership
- Regulatory compliance
- Contractual liability
- Product liability
- Consumer protection concerns



## Bias and Harm

- Representational harm
- Misinformation
- Toxicity
- Fraudulent attacks
- Disinformation spread
- Harmful content generation at scale



## Workforce Shifts

- GenAI's impact viewed as more possible and direct for roles that were initially viewed as outside of AI's immediate reach (creatives, lawyers, etc.)

# Responsible AI Framework Augmentations for GenAI



## Principles & Governance



Uplift Responsible AI **Principles, Policy, Standards** and **governance to account for risks amplified by GenAI** and its democratized usage.

Establish **clear roles and responsibilities** and ensure end-to-end framework for oversight and compliance.

Implement mechanisms for **accountability and transparency** and establish defined access and authorization protocols to **safeguard sensitive information**.



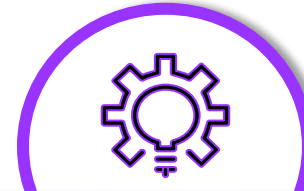
## Risks, Policy, & Control



Adapt **current risk assessment, controls, & reporting/escalation paths** to incorporate new questions specific to risks posed by GenAI systems, including **human-in-the-loop reviews**.

Ensure Legal agrees **terms of use for foundation models and managed services**.

Consider **firmwide restrictions** on submitting confidential, proprietary, or personal data / information.



## Technology Enablers



Ensure **transparency** for end users of the applications.

Apply **bias** and **data quality** checks to fine tune data and **mitigate hallucinations**.

Embed technical approaches for **accuracy, robustness, safety** and **explainability into prompts and fine tuning**.

Set up a **monitoring system** to review AI outputs & corresponding inputs. Check for **identifiable infringement** (eg, brands, personal data) or **problematic content** (e.g., offensive statements).



## Culture & Training



Provide **firmwide guidance and training** on appropriate usage and risks of GenAI, and on **avoiding overstating its capabilities**.

Produce **technical guidance and standards** for risk mitigation when developing GenAI solutions.

# Panel Discussion

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# Break



**15 mins**

# AI at CalSTRS: Current Practices and Our Immediate Horizon

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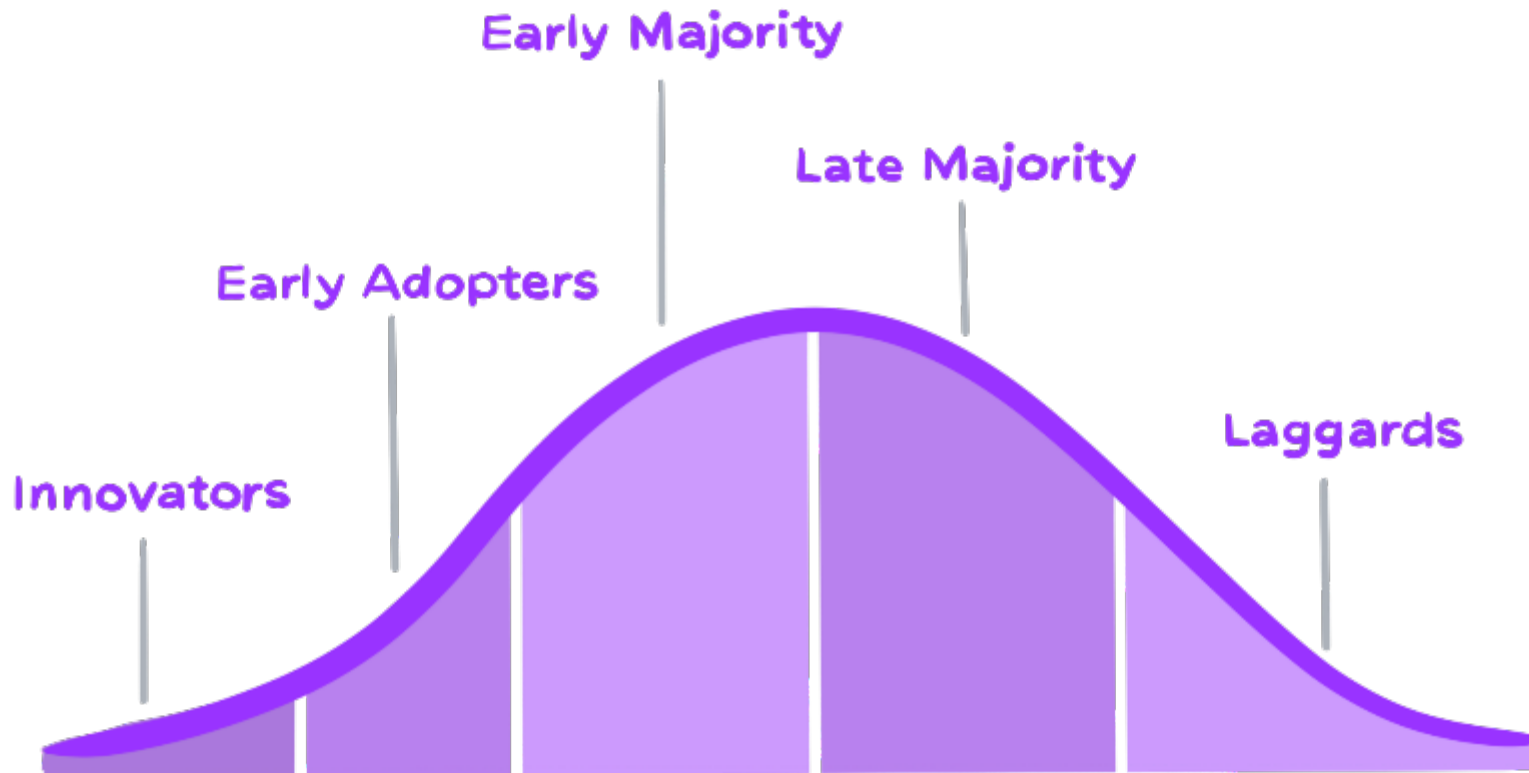


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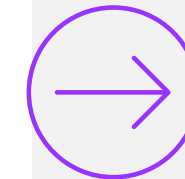
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# Menti Results

# Shareback & Discussion

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# Recap & Next Steps

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