

Generative Al & workforce development

## **Topics**

Defining Generative Al
Current state of GenAl
Use of GenAl at scale
Risks & need for Responsible Al
What States are doing, including Arkansas
Implications for workforce development
What you can do with GenAl

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## Generative AI is a class of algorithms offering content generation and more

Pretraining<sup>1</sup> or Finetuning<sup>2</sup> Task Data Information extraction & summarization Media generation **Text Images** Question answering ■ Speech Code generation Foundation Synthetic data generation Structured data model Programming language Instruction following ..... Problem solving Signals Sentiment analysis

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## Back up | Concise dictionary of Generative Al

- > Generative AI algorithms capable of generating new content: text, images, media
- > Foundation model reusable model trained on lots of data that can be adapted for many tasks
- > LLM large language model, type of foundation model trained on text (And, GPTs are a type of LLM)
- Prompt a query (text, image) input to the model
- > Pre-training and fine-tuning base model training and following adaptation to solve specific tasks
- Nulti-modal using data of multiple modalities: text, images, video
- Model hallucination generating incorrect responses, nonsensical content, mistakes, making things up

Wave 1: Cybernetics (1950s-70s)

Field of AI research was founded and key concepts were first described, including early neural networks

Wave 2: Trained experts (1980s-90s)

Expert systems were developed to solve problems about a specific domain of knowledge

Wave 3: Good learners (2000s-2020s)

Progress in artificial neural networks, "deep" learning, CNNs, RNNs led to notable achievements in text, speech, language and vision processing

Wave 4: Generative systems (2020s  $\rightarrow$ )

These systems can adapt contextually, learn and function with minimal supervision, and massively augment human intelligence

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### Generative AI provides impactful and practical use cases for organizations

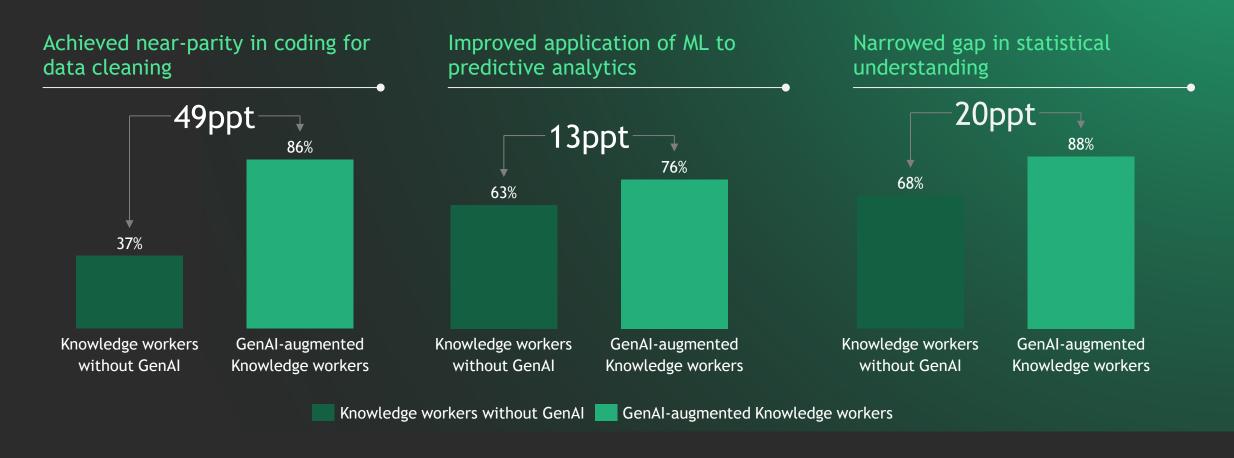
Illustrative

- Forecasting and scenario building (e.g., visualization of key financial insights)
- 2 Ongoing monitoring and reporting (e.g., standardized report generation)
- 3 Performance management (e.g., consolidation of reviews and key takeaways)
- 4 Hiring and onboarding (e.g., synthesis of interview notes)
- 5 L&D training design (e.g., generate new and up to date training materials)
- 6 Candidate sourcing (e.g., automated screening and synthesis of candidate applications)
- Contract management (e.g., draft contracts)
- Document review (e.g., proofread contracts)
- Development of strategy meetings & documents (e.g., draft reports)
- Program Management (e.g., synthesis of meeting minutes and correspondence)
- Management support / Chief of Staff (e.g., draft meeting agenda from correspondence)



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## Example | GenAI immediately amplified generalist knowledge workers' data science skills

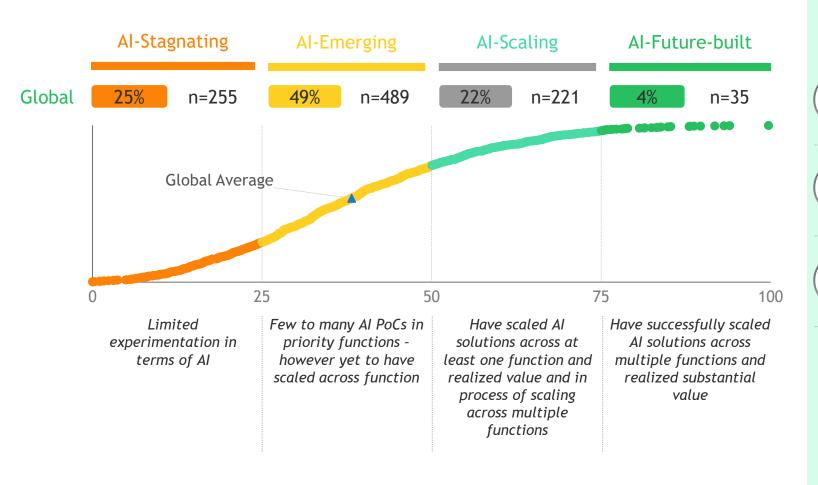


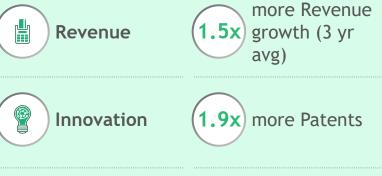
Note: Average normalized performance of knowledge workers with and without access to GenAI for three data science tasks. All scores are normalized so that 100% is equivalent to the benchmark set by the average of the data scientist scores.

Source: Technical workforce capabilities experiment (March-June 2024); BCG Analysis

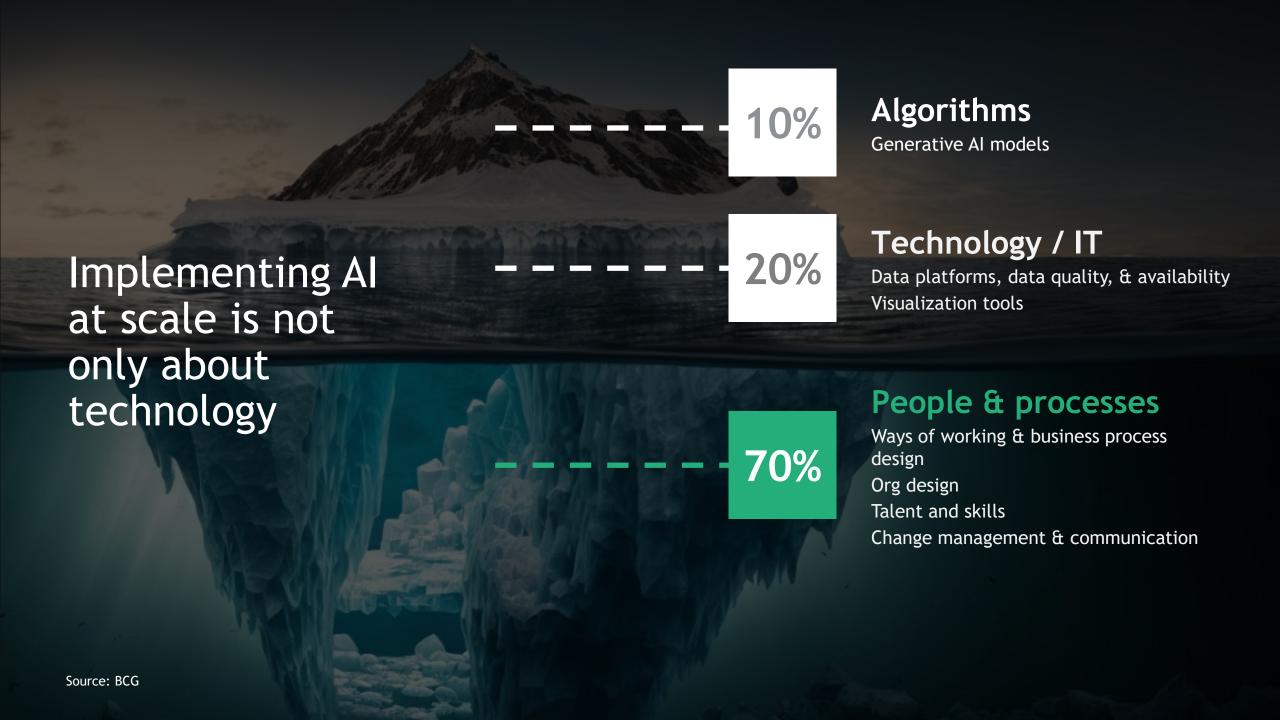
# A few (but not most) companies have cracked the code on implementing AI at large scale...

## ...and are reaping the benefits









## Responsible Al | Critical to know and mitigate range of risks

Not exhaustive

#### Technology-inherent risks



#### Hallucinations

GenAl can produce factually incorrect responses in a convincing manner



## Leaks of proprietary data

Companies & employees may transmit proprietary data when using GenAI tools



#### Copyright

GenAl is potentially trained on proprietary data



Watch-out areas

#### Liability

Liability for harm and damage caused by GenAl is unclear



#### Biased outputs

Without oversight, the GenAl models trained on biased data also carry bias



## Sophisticated phishing & fraud

GenAI makes
cybercrime easier,
generating convincing
phishing emails or
deepfakes



### Cybersecurity

GenAl may be restricted by cybersecurity policies



## Energy and environmental

GenAl uses more energy for computing power

### State actions | States are mobilizing resources across 4 common themes...



#### Policy & regulation

- Establishing state-level AI task forces and working groups
- Policies and guidelines for responsible AI use in public sector entities (agencies, K-12)
- Requiring developers of AI systems to protect consumers



#### Innovation and R&D

- Partnerships between higher ed and OpenAI,
   NVIDIA, others on responsible AI research
- Hubs to drive collaboration among industry, startups, and researchers
- Funding to explore use cases





#### Education and workforce enablement

- Equipping 2- and 4-yr institutions with Al resources, labs, and workshops
- Public-private partnerships to train students and workers and enhance AI skills



#### Government operations and service delivery

Piloting GenAl tools in government operations

In Arkansas, the AI and Analytics Center of Excellence (AI CoE) is studying the technology and will recommend policies around its use

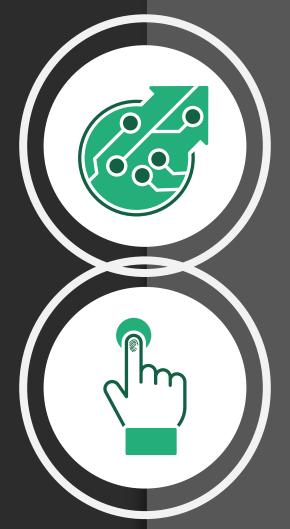
The AI CoE aims to deliver an initial report by December 2024 with key insights and recommendations

In 2025, the focus will shift to developing AI governance, guardrails, and best practices with pilot programs

Planned pilots include using AI to address root causes of recidivism—emphasizing long-term employment—and to reduce unemployment insurance fraud

Additional efforts will provide public AI literacy resources and explore ways to enhance citizen interactions with government through AI

For workforce development partners there are two conversations about GenAl



What GenAl means for the workforce of the future

Ways GenAl may be used in the work of workforce development

## Pace of change | Changes to cutting-edge skills are accelerating creating the need for large-scale capability building

# Workforce skillsets are becoming increasingly outdated...

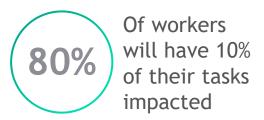


Half life of technical skills

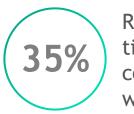


Reconfigured jobs in the next 10 years due to Al

# A trend that will accelerate as GenAl changes how we work







Reduction in time taken to complete writing tasks Estimated potential productivity gains (time savings)



Average pot. Productivity gain (time) across all roles1

AR's labor force could experience a 15% productivity gain, expressed as a reduction in total hours worked

FTE impacts would need to be analyzed at the company level. Actual company actions could vary

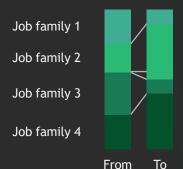
☆ Analysis based on 83% of total FTEs

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## Al in Workforce Dev | Al can enable more personalized workforce development

1 Better matching talent and skills

#### Work redesign



#### Job-skills matrix



#### Skills mapping

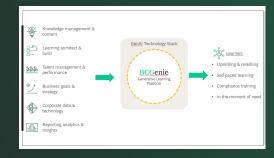


Job-matching



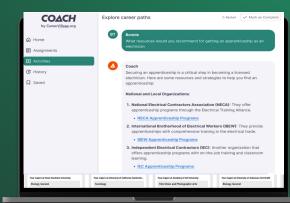
Training and upskilling our workforce

#### **Generative Learning Platform**



- Prompts a learning exercise to achieve custom objectives - greatly reducing time spent in creating training content
- Multi-modal resources are deployed based on learner preferences improving engagement
- Platform is evaluated to continuously adapt learning to meet desired outcomes

Coaching and career navigation support
COACH by CareerVillage



 Provides personalized career plans, interview prep, career and college exploration, and resume/cover letter advice

Source: BCG analysis

# Several digital efforts already underway in workforce and adjacent areas in Arkansas (which involve or may involve GenAI in the future)

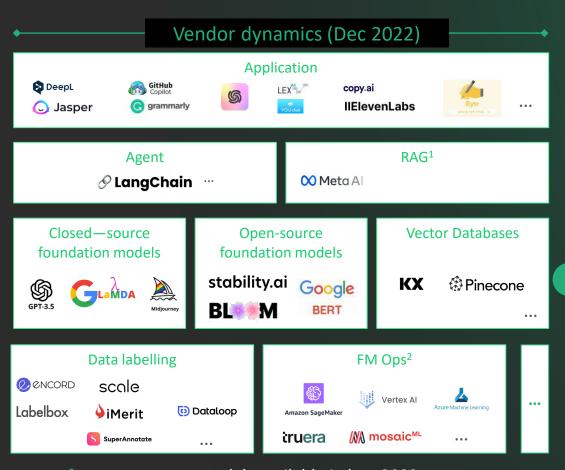
- The LAUNCH platform, part of the Arkansas Workforce Strategy, will soon be announced by the Governor
- An integrated service delivery system will offer a "no wrong door" approach to service discovery, intake, assessment, planning, and navigation, beginning with WIOA and UI

 A government services portal will provide residents personalized, digital access to services and data from any device

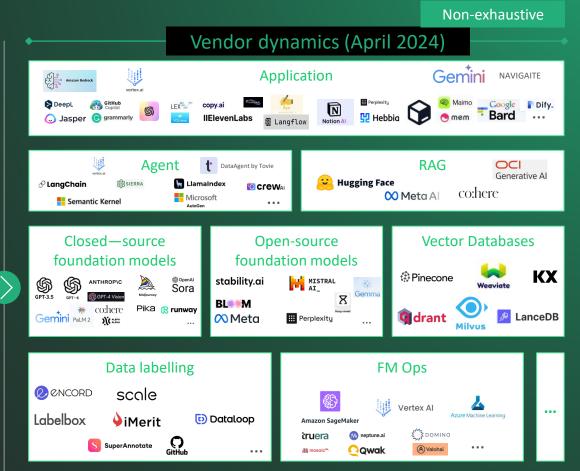
• AI will be used to enhance data curation, quality, and governance

# What you can do with GenAl

### Many new players have entered the market for the last 12 months



- Very few open-source models available in late 2022
- OpenAI was the dominating closed-source model provider
- Limited GenAl applications due to immature technologies



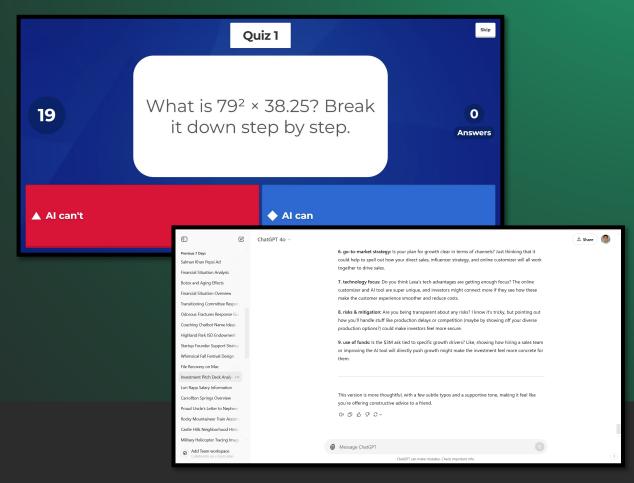
- # of vendors exploded, esp. open-source model
- The leaders largely remained consistent in each space
- Many start-ups (e.g., Mistral) are catching up

## Tomorrow | The Art of the (not yet) Possible!

#### 7:30am - 8:15am | Athletic Club

With the right **knowledge**, **skills** and **mindset**, we can use AI to significantly drive productivity, unlock valuable time, and deliver business impact:

- How will AI tools reshape work?
- What can AI do and what are its limitations?
  - Interactive game!
- What are some use-cases and examples where I can see immediate benefit?
  - Live ChatGPT experience



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