## The Future of Al

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Al automates ...

suboptimized processes



Al augments ...

the work we have to do





Worker's experience **Gartner** 





per year

 $160 \times $7M = $1.2B$ per year

materials discovered yielded by each material

new revenue

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Al's job is to free us ... and simplify our lives.

The future of Al is human-first.



# **More Attention Required .... Less Time to Pay Attention**













# **Does More Buttons Mean More Control?**

10% more money



What if we were asking AI to reduce, minimize and take control?



# "Perfection is achieved, not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away."

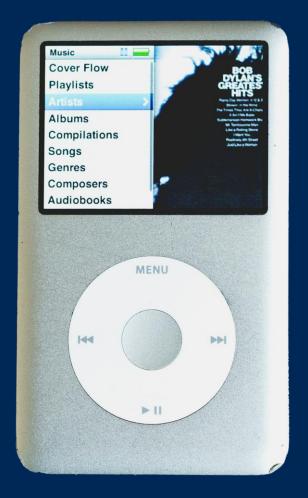
— Antoine de Saint-Exupery, French writer, poet, journalist and aviator



# First, Let's Try Simpler

 Simplicity is about subtracting the obvious and adding the meaningful.

 The simplest way to achieve simplicity is through thoughtful reduction.









# Al Should Protect Our Periphery





"You don't have to play with GenAl for long before you are either inspired or terrified. We need to consider what this possible existential shift means for our people."

— Chuck DeVries, SVP, technology office, Vizient



#### vizient.

# **Employee-First Approach: Tailored for Employee Experiences for Distinct Personas**

#### **Software engineering**



**Software** developer Sam



Quality engineer Quincy



**Business** analyst **Becky** 

#### **Data analysis**



Data analyst Dave (no code)



Data analyst Dana (code)



**Data** operations Darren



**Data** mapper **Danielle** 



Data scientist **Darwin** 

#### Sales and services



**Product** advisor Paul



**Product** manager **Patty** 



**Strategic** service Steve



Sq2 intelligence Sal



Sales & accounting manager Susan

#### Contract management



Contract manager Caitlin

#### General productivity



Gina

Source: Adapted from Vizient

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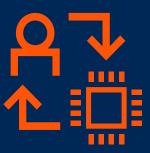
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# The Future of Al Is Up to Us



**Making Al** like us ... (including our limitations)



**Making AI the** complementary intelligence ...



Making (letting) Al (become) a super intelligence ...



### **5 Foundational Elements for the Future of Al**

- 1 Al agents
- 2 Composite AI (e.g., decision intelligence and neurosymbolic)
- 3 Al engineering
- 4 Al literacy
- 5 Responsible Al



# Recommendations





# Make Al Your Trusted (Mostly Silent) Partner

Al will have done its job, when it has given you more time to ...

**Think** 

Thoughtfully decide

**Act and interact** 



#### Recommendations

- Move beyond productivity and consider sidekick-like use cases to fully deliver the promise of human-first Al.
- Develop MVPs composing and mixing multiple innovative Al techniques as the Al learning curve is incompressible.
- Prepare for the future and improve the success rate of Al initiatives by applying Al engineering practices.
- Foster the continuous, effective and responsible use of AI by organizing an AI literacy training program.
- Adopt responsible Al practices to prepare for more Al regulation through Al risk management.
- Decouple Al from human intelligence. Aim for Al that enhances problem solving without compromising cognitive diversity.



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