

# *SPRING INTO AI*

Building Intelligent Applications in Java with Spring AI

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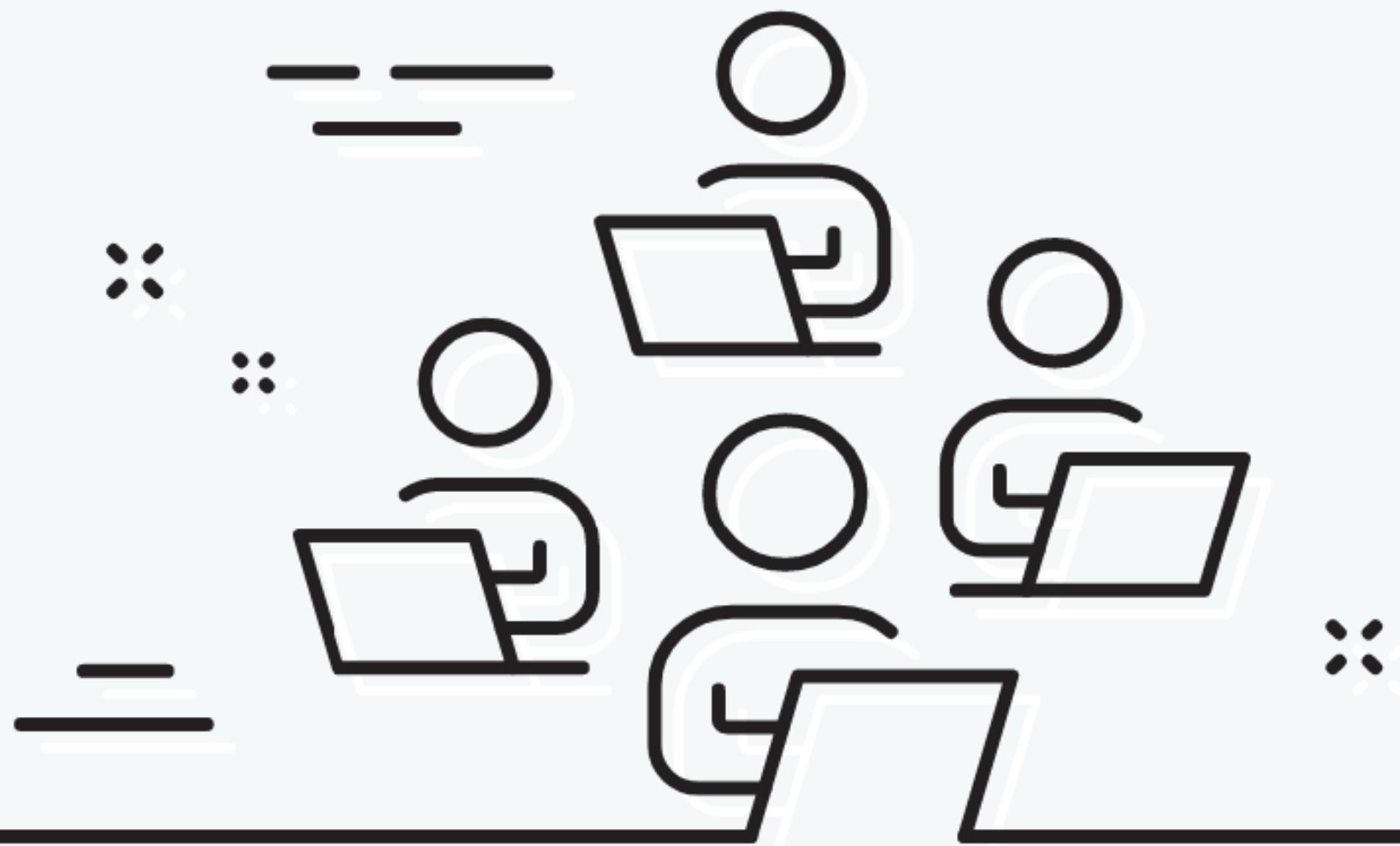


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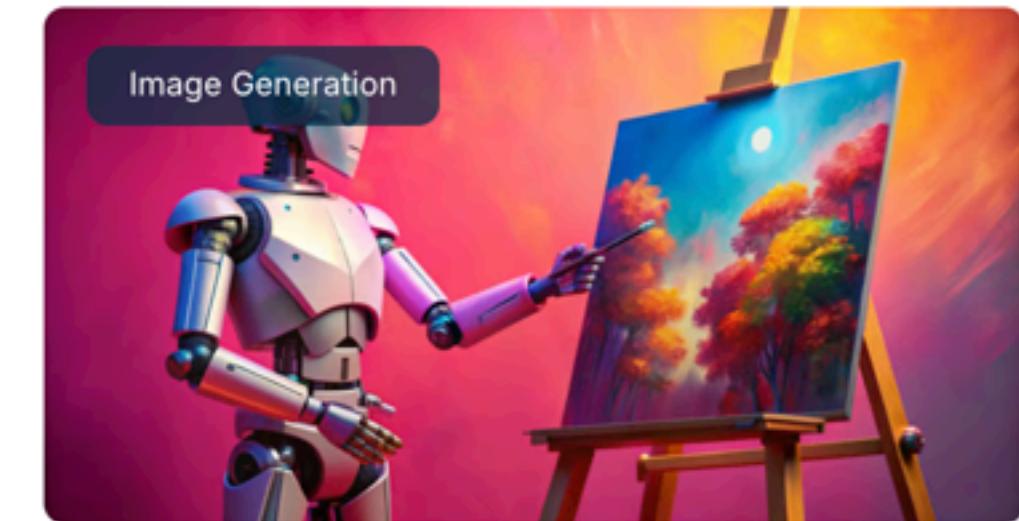
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How do you define AI?

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👋 Hello, World!

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# AGENDA

What are we going to talk about?

- What is AI?
  - Machine Learning
  - Deep Learning
  - Large Language Models (LLMs)
  - Prompt Engineering
- Java & AI
- Spring AI
- Show me the code





# WHAT IS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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## Artificial Intelligence

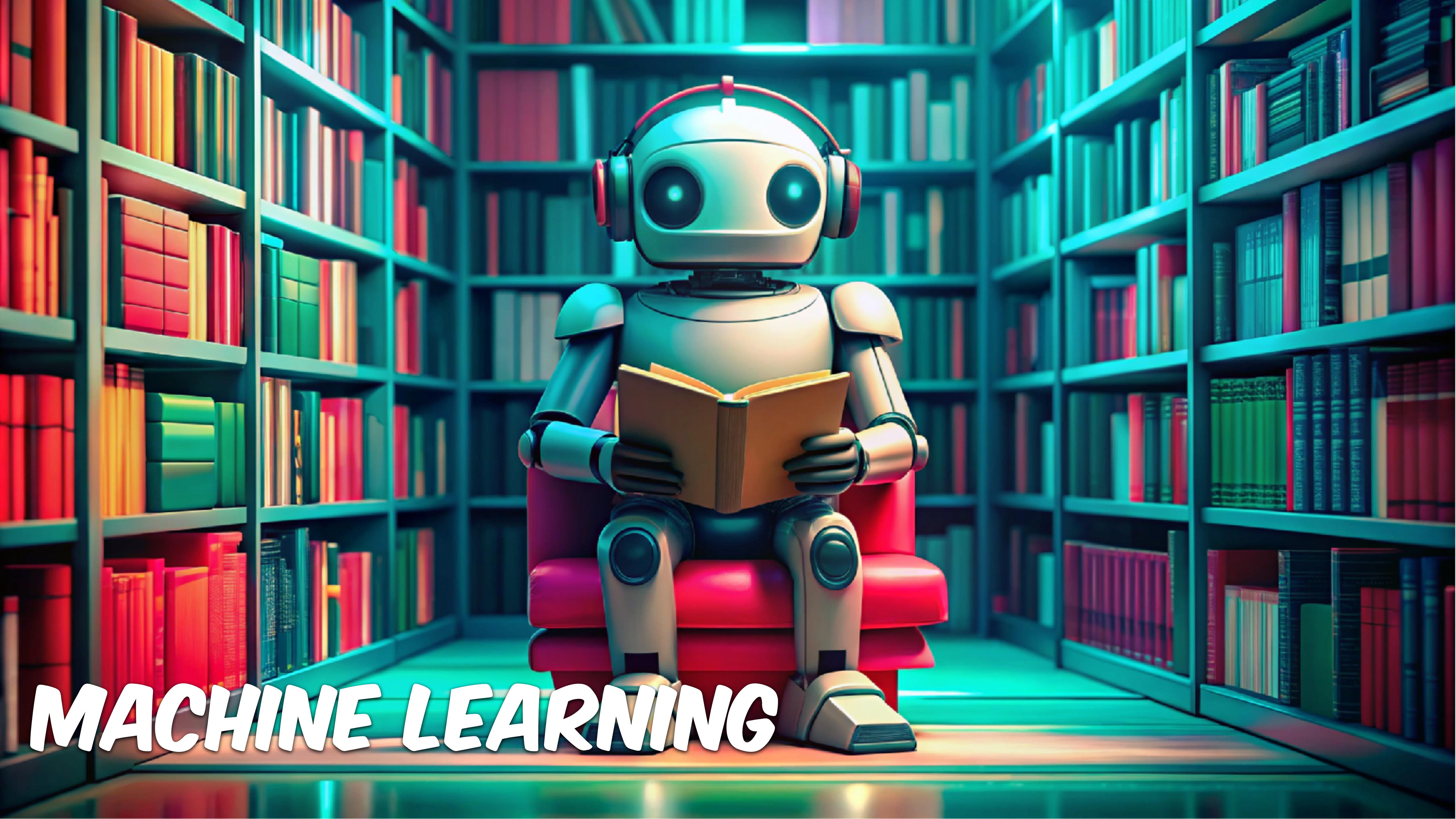
AI is technology that helps computers do things that typically require human intelligence:

- Understand language
- Recognize patterns
- Make decisions
- Learn from experience

Think of AI like tools in a toolbox:

- Some tools do one job really well (like image recognition)
- Some tools work together to solve more complex problems
- The tools keep getting better as we use them

# MACHINE LEARNING



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## Artificial Intelligence

### Machine Learning

Unlike traditional programming, where explicit instructions are provided for every scenario, ML systems learn patterns from data, allowing them to make predictions or decisions without being explicitly programmed for each possibility.

# MACHINE LEARNING

## Use Cases

- Facial Recognition
- Recognize Tumors on x-ray scans
- Abnormality on ultrasounds
- Self-drive mode (recognize stop sign / pedestrian / etc...)
- Fraud Detection
- Product Recommendations (YouTube)
- Spam Filtering

# SUPERVISED LEARNING

Labeling the training data



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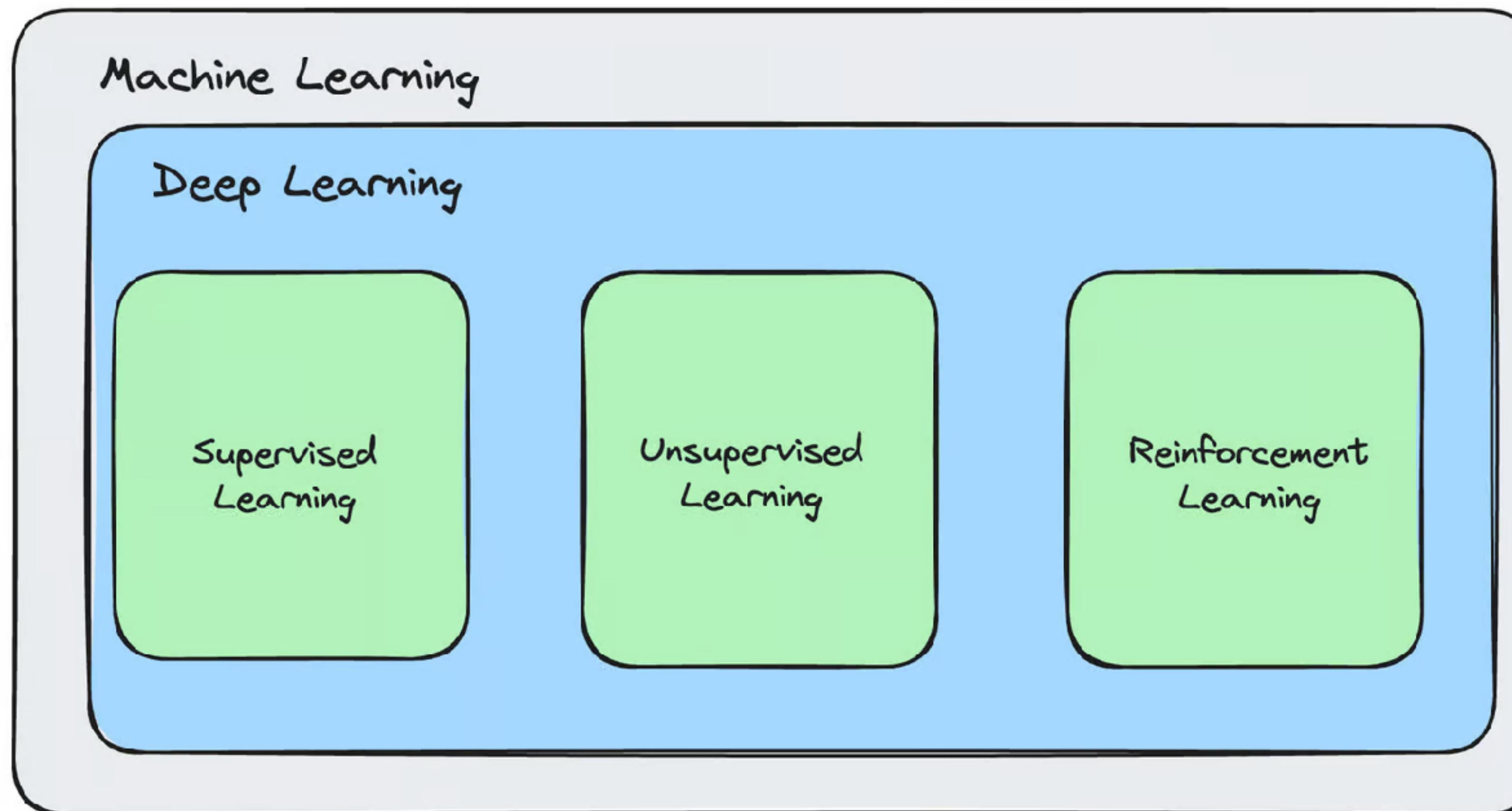


# DEEP LEARNING



# DEEP LEARNING AND NEURAL NETWORKS

Artificial Intelligence



# NEURAL NETWORKS

What makes deep learning powerful?

- The first layer might detect edges
- The next layer might recognize shapes
- Deeper layers could identify more complex features like eyes or wheels
- The final layer puts it all together to classify the entire image



# ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORK

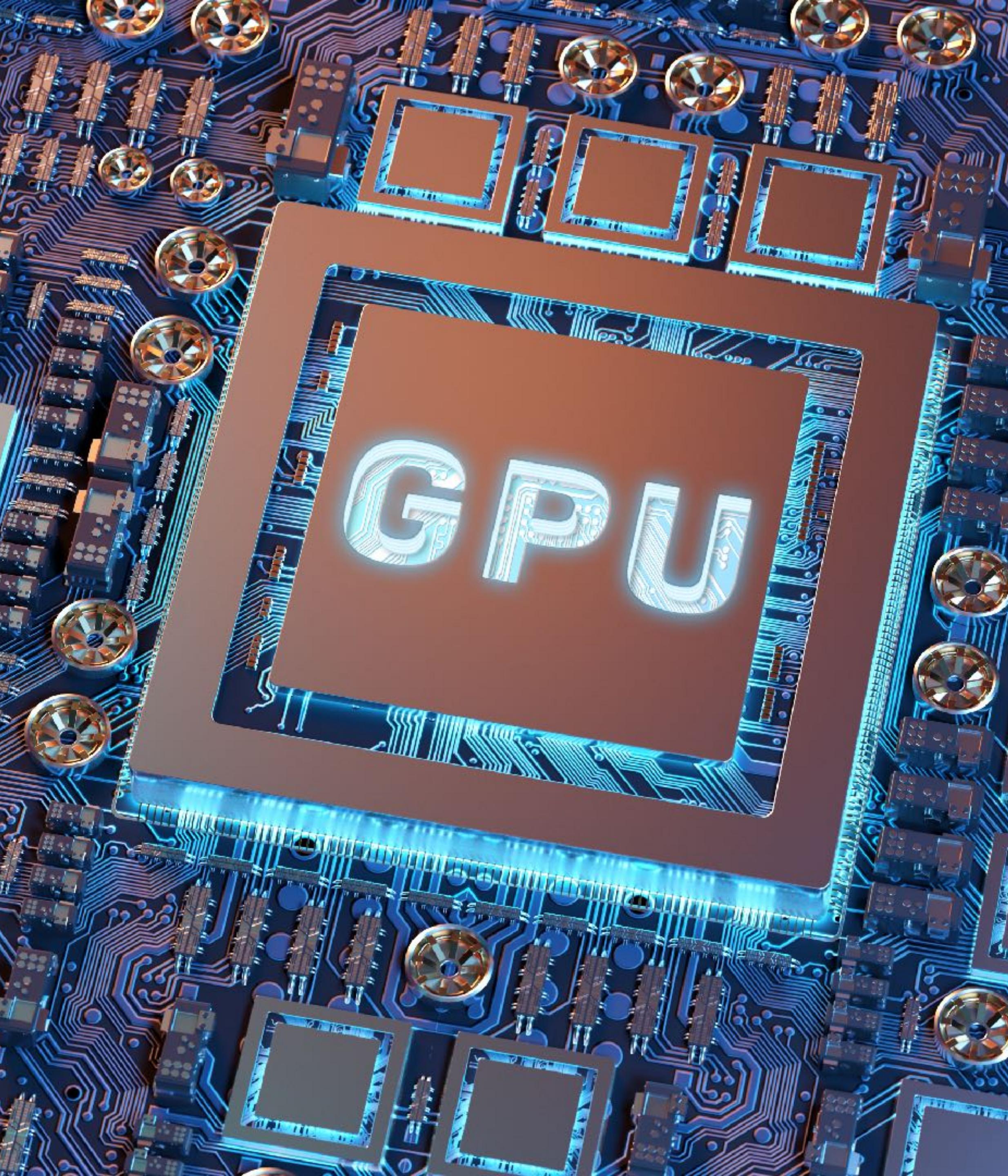
What made deep learning possible?

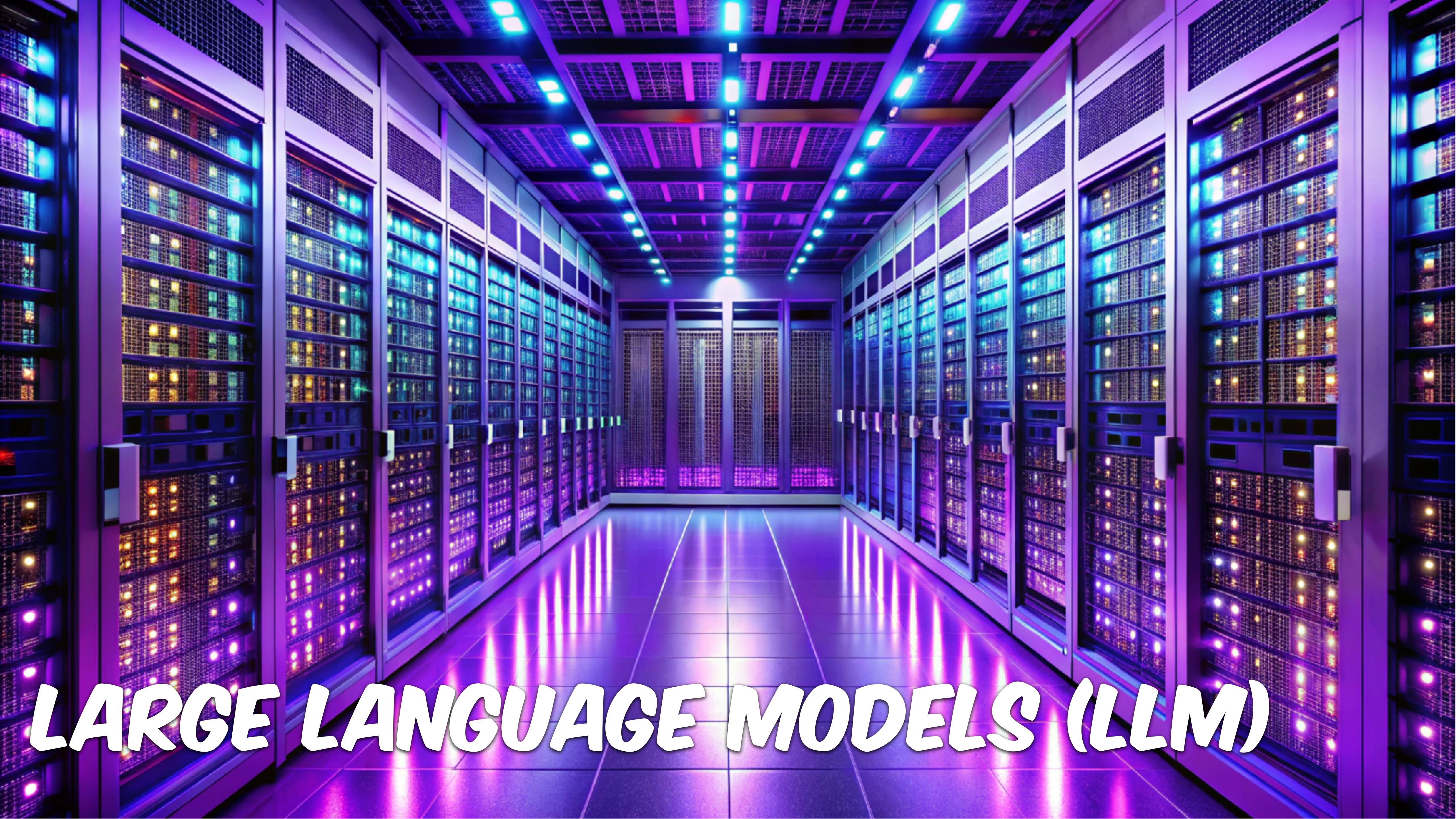
- Breakthrough algorithms: Neural network architectures that mimic how our brains learn
- Massive training data: Billions of examples teaching models to recognize patterns
- Computational power



# THE GPU REVOLUTION

- Neural networks require billions of parallel calculations
- GPUs: The unexpected heroes of AI -
  - Designed for gaming, repurposed for AI
  - 100x faster than CPUs for neural network training
  - Enable in weeks what would take years on traditional hardware
- The hardware catalyst: GPU advancement directly accelerates AI capabilities
- No GPUs = No modern AI





# LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS (LLM)

# ATTENTION IS ALL YOU NEED

## The Foundation: Attention Mechanisms

- In 2017 a new idea called the transformer changed everything.
- It helped AI focus on the most important parts of a sentence (like how “dog” and “barked” connect), making language understanding much better.
- This laid the groundwork for more powerful language models

## Attention Is All You Need

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### Abstract

The dominant sequence transduction models are based on complex recurrent or convolutional neural networks that include an encoder and a decoder. The best performing models also connect the encoder and decoder through an attention mechanism. We propose a new simple network architecture, the Transformer, based solely on attention mechanisms, dispensing with recurrence and convolutions entirely. Experiments on two machine translation tasks show these models to be superior in quality while being more parallelizable and requiring significantly less time to train. Our model achieves 28.4 BLEU on the WMT 2014 English-to-German translation task, improving over the existing best results, including ensembles, by over 2 BLEU. On the WMT 2014 English-to-French translation task, our model establishes a new single-model state-of-the-art BLEU score of 41.0 after training for 3.5 days on eight GPUs, a small fraction of the training costs of the best models from the literature.

### 1 Introduction

Recurrent neural networks, long short-term memory [12] and gated recurrent [7] neural networks in particular, have been firmly established as state of the art approaches in sequence modeling and transduction problems such as language modeling and machine translation [29, 2, 5]. Numerous efforts have since continued to push the boundaries of recurrent language models and encoder-decoder architectures [31, 21, 13].

\*Equal contribution. Listing order is random. Jakob proposed replacing RNNs with self-attention and started the effort to evaluate this idea. Ashish, with Illia, designed and implemented the first Transformer models and has been crucially involved in every aspect of this work. Noam proposed scaled dot-product attention, multi-head attention and the parameter-free position representation and became the other person involved in nearly every detail. Niki designed, implemented, tuned and evaluated countless model variants in our original codebase and tensor2tensor. Llion also experimented with novel model variants, was responsible for our initial codebase, and efficient inference and visualizations. Lukasz and Aidan spent countless long days designing various parts of and implementing tensor2tensor, replacing our earlier codebase, greatly improving results and massively accelerating our research.

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# WHAT ARE LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS?

## Definition

- LLMs are AI models built to understand and create human-like language
- They're "large" because they have billions of adjustable settings (called parameters) that help them learn from data

## What They Learn From

- LLMs are trained on massive collections of text—like books, articles, and websites.
- This helps them pick up grammar, facts, and even some common sense.

## What They Can Do

- LLMs are incredibly versatile! They can:
  - Translate languages (e.g., English to Spanish)
  - Summarize long articles
  - Answer questions
  - Write stories, essays, or even code
  - Chat like a human (think virtual assistants)



# GENERATIVE AI

## Generative Pre-trained Transformer (GPT)

- **Now that we understand:**

- Transformers provide the architecture (how they process language)
- Pre-training on vast amounts of data teaches language understanding
- Generative capability allows them to create new content

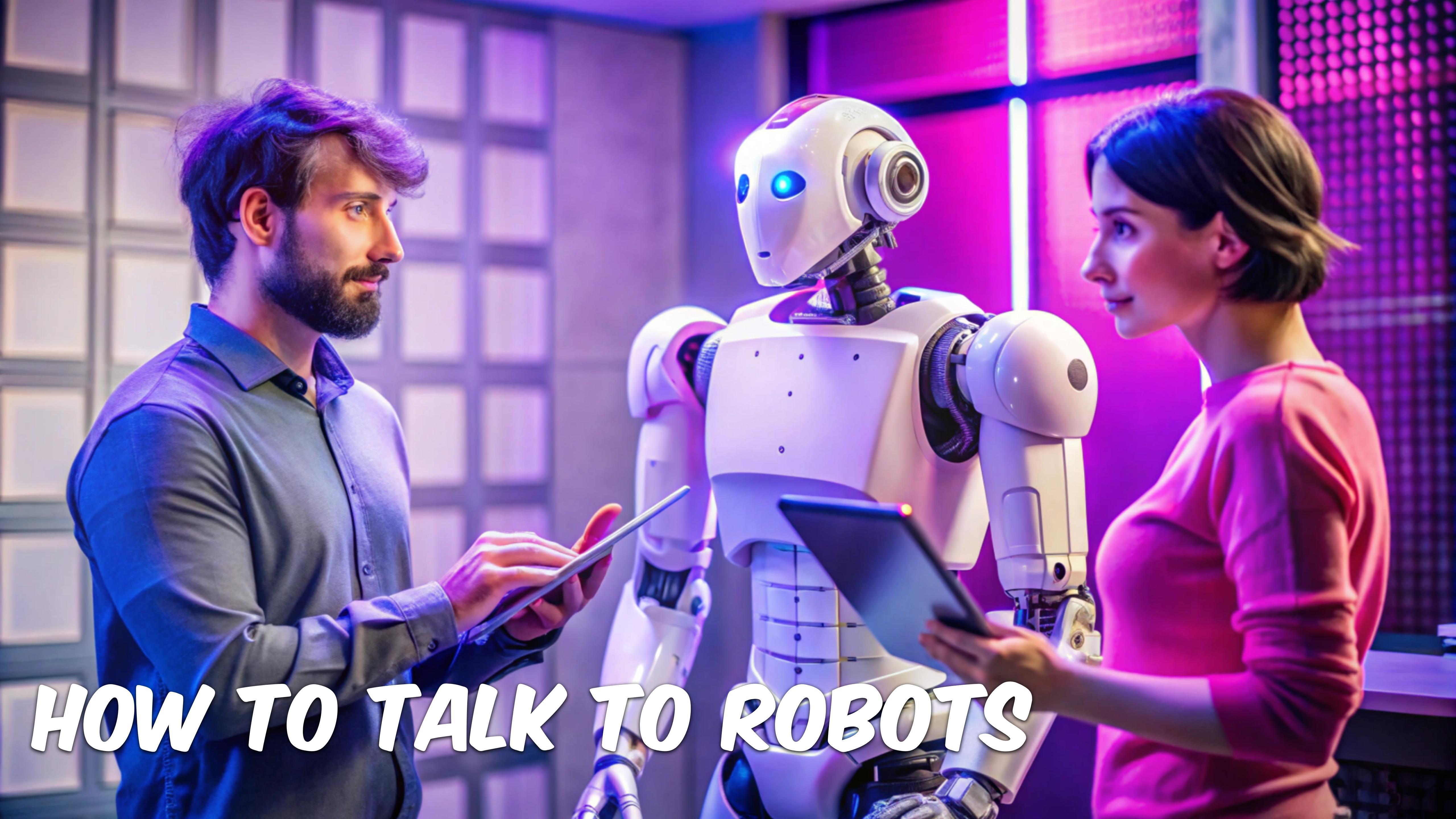
- **Key Capabilities:**

- Text generation (writing, translation, summarization)
- Code generation and analysis
- Complex reasoning and problem-solving



Gemini

# HOW TO TALK TO ROBOTS



# PROMPT ENGINEERING

Learn how to effectively communicate with AI

- Clear communication is key - just like with humans
- Structure determines success - giving context, examples and specific instructions
- Think of it as teaching, not commanding
- Bad Prompt: “Write a blog post about AI”
- Good Prompt: “Write a technical blog post explaining neural networks to junior developers, focusing on practical examples. Include code samples in Python and keep it under 1,000 words.”
- Learn More: <https://www.bytesizedai.dev/p/how-to-talk-to-robots>



# **PROMPT ENGINEERING**

## **Practical Prompt Techniques that work**

- Be Specific: "Write a 500-word blog post about sustainable gardening for beginners" beats "Write about gardening"
- Use Examples: "I want an email that sounds professional but friendly, like: 'Dear Team, I hope this message finds you well...'"
- Give Context: "As the marketing manager for a small local business, I need to..."
- Request Formats: "Please format your response as a bulleted list" or "Use markdown headers"
- Iterate & Refine: "That's good, but can you make it more conversational and add a section about..."
- Save What Works: Keep a collection of your most effective prompts to reuse and adapt



**FUN COUPONS!**

## GPT-4o

GPT-4o is our most advanced multimodal model that's faster and cheaper than GPT-4 Turbo with stronger vision capabilities. The model has 128K context and an October 2023 knowledge cutoff.

[Learn about GPT-4o ↗](#)

| Model             | Pricing                    | Pricing with Batch API*   |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| gpt-4o            | \$5.00 / 1M input tokens   | \$2.50 / 1M input tokens  |
|                   | \$15.00 / 1M output tokens | \$7.50 / 1M output tokens |
| gpt-4o-2024-08-06 | \$2.50 / 1M input tokens   | \$1.25 / 1M input tokens  |
|                   | \$10.00 / 1M output tokens | \$5.00 / 1M output tokens |
| gpt-4o-2024-05-13 | \$5.00 / 1M input tokens   | \$2.50 / 1M input tokens  |
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[Vision pricing calculator](#)

Set model

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\*Batch API pricing requires requests to be submitted as a batch. Responses will be returned within 24 hours for a 50% discount. [Learn more about Batch API ↗](#)

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<https://platform.openai.com/tokenizer>

## Tokenizer

### Learn about language model tokenization

OpenAI's large language models (sometimes referred to as GPT's) process text using **tokens**, which are common sequences of characters found in a set of text. The models learn to understand the statistical relationships between these tokens, and excel at producing the next token in a sequence of tokens.

You can use the tool below to understand how a piece of text might be tokenized by a language model, and the total count of tokens in that piece of text.

It's important to note that the exact tokenization process varies between models. Newer models like GPT-3.5 and GPT-4 use a different tokenizer than previous models, and will produce different tokens for the same input text.

[GPT-3.5 & GPT-4](#) [GPT-3 \(Legacy\)](#)

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[Clear](#) [Show example](#)

Tokens Characters

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[Text](#) [Token IDs](#)

A helpful rule of thumb is that one token generally corresponds to ~4 characters of text for common English text. This translates to roughly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a word (so 100 tokens  $\approx$  75 words).



**JAVA & AI**

# JAVA & AI

## Leveraging Artificial Intelligence in Java Applications

### The Java & AI Opportunity

- Java powers 90% of Fortune 500 companies' backend systems
- AI capabilities are now expected in enterprise applications
- Java developers have a unique market advantage with AI skills

### Enterprise Use Cases

- Document processing & knowledge extraction
- Intelligent customer service automation
- Code generation & Developer productivity tools
- Predictive analytics with enterprise data



```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Calling Open AI..."
MY_OPENAI_KEY="YOUR_API_KEY_HERE"
PROMPT="Tell me an interesting fact about Java"

curl https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions \
-H "Content-Type: application/json" \
-H "Authorization: Bearer $MY_OPENAI_KEY" \
-d '{"model": "gpt-4o", "messages": [{"role": "user", "content": "'${PROMPT}'"}] }'
```

```
"id": "chatmpl-ABNbjZ5oRbo720evnCX2arPufJCYK",
"object": "chat.completion",
"created": 1727275719,
"model": "gpt-4o-2024-05-13",
"choices": [
{
  "index": 0,
  "message": {
    "role": "assistant",
    "content": "Sure! Did you know that Java was initially designed with interactive television in mind? James Gosling and his team at Sun Microsystems started the project in 1991 under the name \"Oak.\" The name was later changed to \"Java\" after discovering there was already a programming language called Oak. Java's versatility has made it one of the most popular programming languages for a wide range of applications, far beyond its initial intended use for TV set-top boxes!",
    "refusal": null
  },
  "logprobs": null,
  "finish_reason": "stop"
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],
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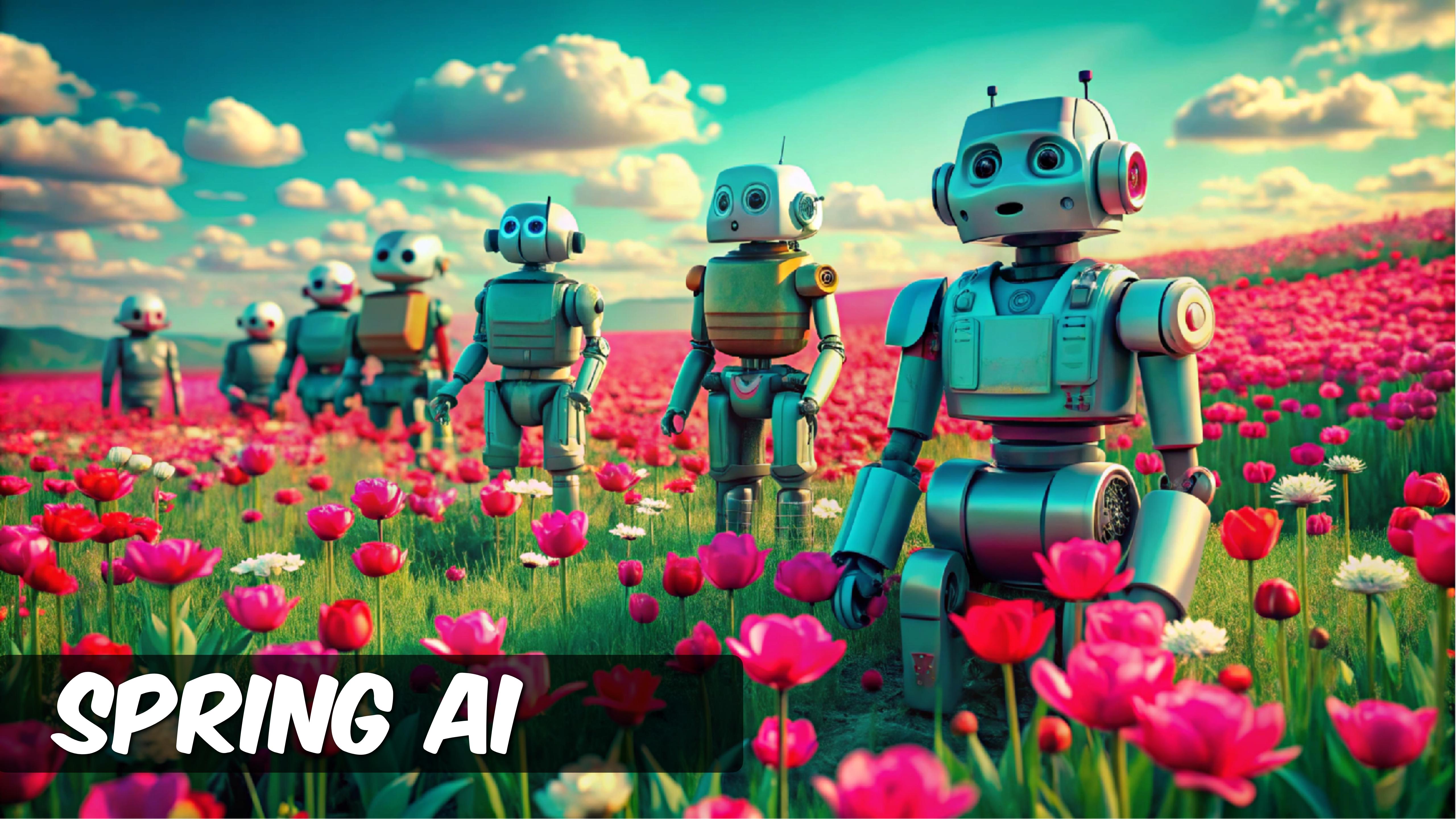
```
public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException, InterruptedException {
    var apiKey = "YOUR_API_KEY_HERE";
    var body = """
        {
            "model": "gpt-4o",
            "messages": [
                {
                    "role": "user",
                    "content": "Tell me an interesting fact about Java"
                }
            ]
        }""";
}

HttpRequest request = HttpRequest.newBuilder()
    .uri(URI.create("https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions"))
    .header("Content-Type", "application/json")
    .header("Authorization", "Bearer " + apiKey)
    .POST(HttpRequest.BodyPublishers.ofString(body))
    .build();

var client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
var response = client.send(request, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString());
System.out.println(response.body());
}
```

**SPRING AI PROVIDES US SO MUCH  
MORE THAN A FACILITY FOR  
MAKING REST API CALLS**





A group of colorful, stylized robots of various sizes and designs are standing in a vibrant field of red and pink tulips. The robots have metallic bodies with glowing blue and white highlights. They are positioned in the foreground and middle ground, looking towards the right side of the frame. The background features a bright, cloudy sky with a warm, golden glow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall scene is a blend of futuristic technology and natural beauty.

SPRING AI

# SPRING AI

## AI for Spring Developers

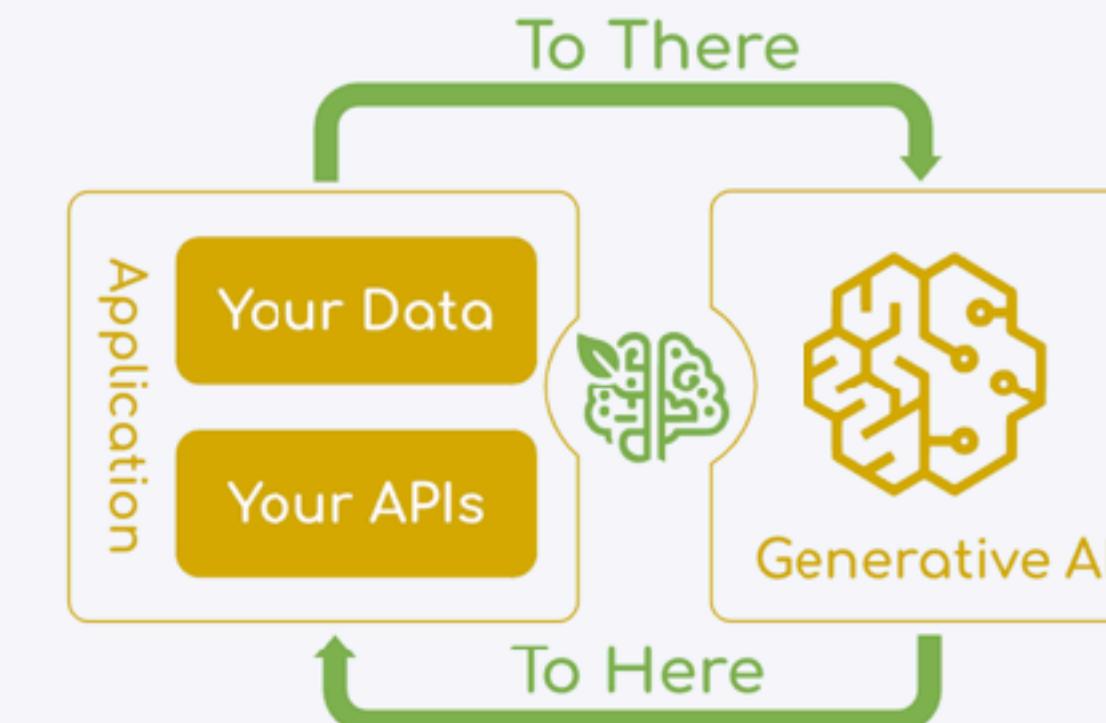
- <https://spring.io/projects/spring-ai>
  - Dr. Mark Pollack
  - Current Version 1.0.0-M6
  - Portable API support across AI providers for Chat, Image & Audio
  - Synchronous & Streaming API options
  - Inspired by Python Projects
    - LangChain
    - LlamaIndex



OVERVIEW

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Spring AI is an application framework for AI engineering. Its goal is to apply to the AI domain Spring ecosystem design principles such as portability and modular design and promote using POJOs as the building blocks of an application to the AI domain.



At its core, Spring AI addresses the fundamental challenge of AI integration: Connecting your enterprise **Data** and **APIs** with the **AI Models**.

### Features

Spring AI provides the following features:

- Support for all major **AI Model providers** such as Anthropic, OpenAI, Microsoft, Amazon, Google, and Ollama. Supported model types include:
  - Chat Completion
  - Embedding
  - Text to Image
  - Audio Transcription
  - Text to Speech
  - Mask Generation
  - Image Generation
  - Image Classification
  - Image Segmentation
  - Image Detection
  - Image Enhancement
  - Image Restoration
  - Image Style Transfer
  - Image Colorization
  - Image Denoising
  - Image Super Resolution
  - Image Inpainting
  - Image Outpainting
  - Image Translation
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  - Image Outpainting
  - Image Translation
  - Image Reconstruction



CHECK OUT MY DEMO

# THANK YOU

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