The Phylogenetic Tree of Artificial Intelligence

From Perceptrons to AGI • 1958—2025

Legend:
- Symbolic AI
- Convolutional Neural Networks
- Recurrent Networks (extinct)
- Reinforcement Learning
- Transformer Revolution
- GPT Lineage (OpenAI)
- Claude (Anthropic)
- LLaMA (Meta)
- Gemini (Google)
- Diffusion Models
- Chinese AI Revolution

Labels visible: 2025, 2020, 2015, 2010, 2000, 1990, 1980, 1970, 1960

Node labels: LLaMA, PaLM, Transformers, Claude 3 Opus, Claude, GPT-4V, GPT, GPT-4o, Backpropagation, T5, CLIP, ViT, Qwen, BERT, GANs, LSTM, RNNs, DeepSeek, DALL-E, ResNet, AlexNet, AlphaGo, RLHF, Midjourney

Annotations: AI Winter, RNN Decline, GAN Displacement

Branch thickness reflects model importance • Faded branches show deprecated approaches • Smooth curves trace evolutionary paths