Large Language Models (LLMs)—Concept Document

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Topic: Concept Doc 1 – Large Language Models (LLMs)

Concept Overview:

1. Definition:

Large Language Models (LLMs) are AI systems trained on massive amounts of text data to understand and generate human-like language.

2. Core Mechanism:

They use the **Transformer architecture**, which relies on *self-attention* to capture context between words in a sentence.

3. Working Principle:

LLMs predict the next word in a sequence, learning grammar, facts, reasoning, and style patterns from data.

4. Training:

Trained on billions of words with techniques like *masked language modeling* (BERT) or causal language modeling (GPT).

5. Fine-Tuning:

A pre-trained LLM can be fine-tuned on a smaller labeled dataset (e.g., sentiment or classification) for specific tasks.

6. Applications:

Chatbots, summarization, code generation, translation, and question answering.

7. Conclusion:

LLMs represent a major step in Al's ability to understand and generate natural language with minimal supervision.

Reflection (5-6 Lines)

I learned how transformers changed NLP by enabling contextual understanding of words. Fine-tuning helped me see how large models can adapt to specific datasets easily. The challenge was managing dependencies and training speed in limited environments. I realized that LLMs can handle reasoning tasks once thought impossible for machines. This project gave me hands-on experience with the future of natural language AI.