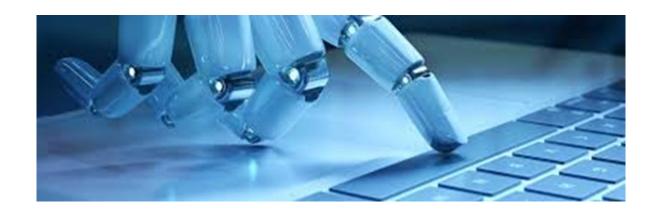
## Automation and Artificial Intelligence



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### **Learning Goals**



- Understand the origins of generative Al
- Learn how to use the power of generative Al
- Recognize practical generative Al applications for CPAs



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#### Presentation Outline

- Overview of Artificial Intelligence Today
- History of ChatGPT
- Orientation to the ChatGPT App
- Let's Chat Practical Applications for CPAs
- A Word of Caution
- Wrap-Up
- Fundamentals of Generative AI Technology



# OVERVIEW OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN BUSINESS TODAY



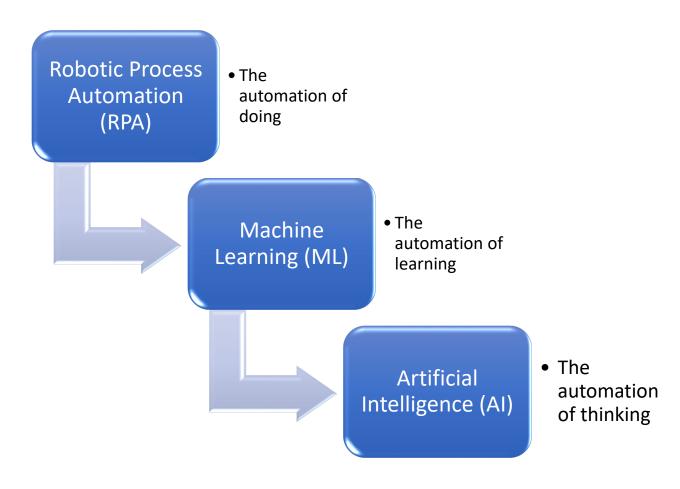


## "Artificial intelligence is like electricity; it has application everywhere"

Andrew Ng Co-founder Google Brain



## **Key Trends in Automation**





### Key Trends in AI Technology

- Rapid and widespread adoption
- Mega amounts of capital flowing into this space
- Ethical concerns biases and usage
- Workforce impact
- Regulatory issues



### HISTORY OF CHATGPT





#### Chatbots

- A program designed to simulate conversation with human users.
- Answers questions, provides information
- Can be text, audio or video based
- Examples:
  - Siri / Alexa / Cortana
  - ChatGPT
  - Amelia demo



#### What is ChatGPT?

- ChatGPT (Generative Pre-trained Transformer)
- Fastest growing app in history
  - Launched November 30, 2022
  - 100 million users within two months
- An Al chatbot
- Developed by OpenAl



#### History of OpenAl



- Research organization founded in 2015 by Elon Musk, Sam Altman and others
- Sam Altman fired by the Board of Directors on 11/17/23 and rehired on 11/22/23
- Elon Musk resigned in 2018 due to a conflict of interest with Tesla & SpaceX
- Microsoft announces \$10 billion investment in Jan 2023 (49% ownership)

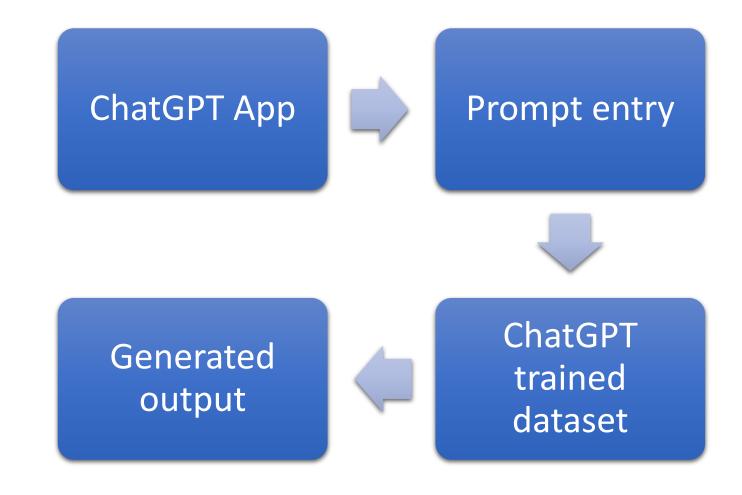


#### ORIENTATION TO THE CHATGPT APP



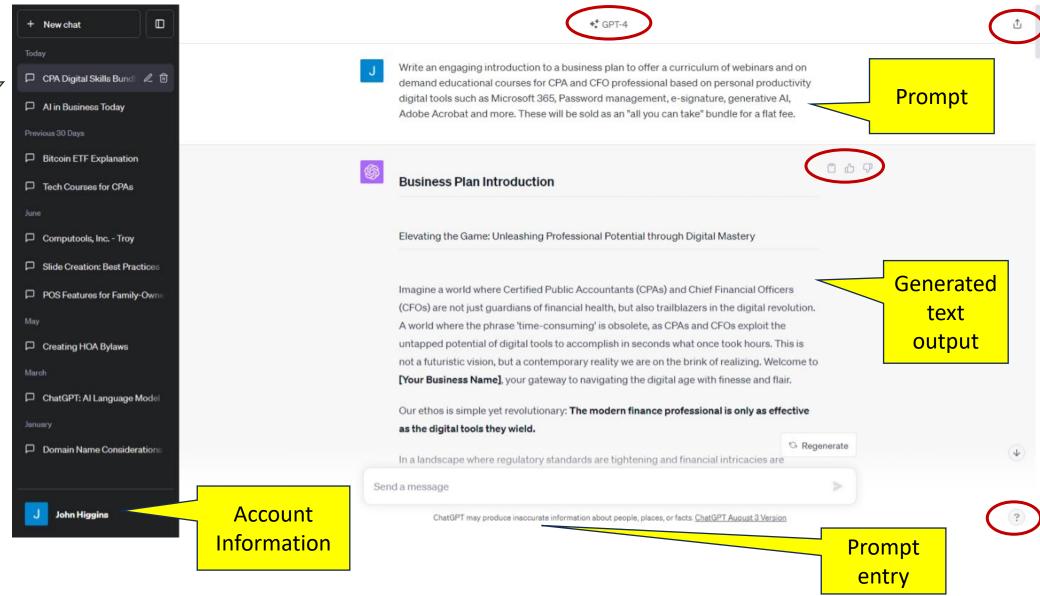


#### **ChatGPT Model**





Chat History





## LET'S CHAT





#### Practical ChatGPT applications for CPAs

- Communicating financial information
- Financial data analysis
- Accounting research
- Practice management support



Explain FASB 13 lease accounting standard in a bulleted list at the college freshman level



View results in ChatGPT



Explain the differences between an LLP, LLC and C corporation form of entity in a bulleted list, with pros and cons of each, for a small business entrepreneur



View results in ChatGPT



Create an Excel formula to calculate the monthly payment on a 30-year mortgage for \$400,000 at a 7% interest rate

Generate a payment amortization schedule in tabular format







Create an excel macro to print the amortization schedule through the requested payment date



View results in ChatGPT



## Analyze Microsoft financial statements and calculate financial ratios



View results in ChatGPT



Image uploaded to ChatGPT for analysis

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Create an image of two people discussing business at a conference table. One is a professionally dressed female providing advice to a casually dressed male rock musician







### OpenAl Chat ChatGPT Products / Plans

- ➤ GPT-3.5
  - Free
  - Web and mobile
- > ChatGPT-4.5
  - \$20 per user / per month
  - Create images
  - Chat with voice
  - Analyze data
- ➤ API (Application Program Interface)



#### **GPT-4** Turbo Released November 2023

- √ 128k context window (cumulative chat prompt memory)
- ✓ Analyze uploaded files, including images
- ✓ Text-to-speech (Whisper)
- ✓ Image creation (DALL-E 3)
- ✓ LLM data trained through April

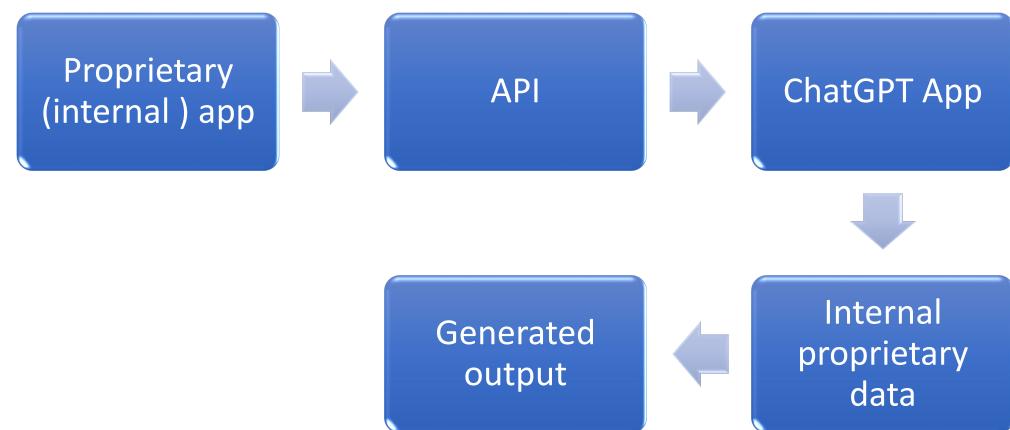


### ChatGPT API

- Licensed access to ChatGPT technology by private entities
- Does not provide access to ChatGPT dataset
- Uses your **proprietary** information as dataset
- API can be embedded in third party software such as financial and ERP systems



## ChatGPT Model With API



### A WORD OF CAUTION





#### Issues to Beware of With ChatGPT

- Hallucination generated output that does not correspond to real-world input, resulting in misleading results
- Privacy Anonymize your prompt input. No PII or confidential information
- Bias subjective, stereotypes, assumptions, etc.



#### **WRAP-UP**





#### In Summary

- We are at the infancy of this technology
- No one knows how this will evolve
- We should be concerned if the experts are concerned!
- Stay tuned to Microsoft Copilot AI for 365
- Try it!



#### Questions?





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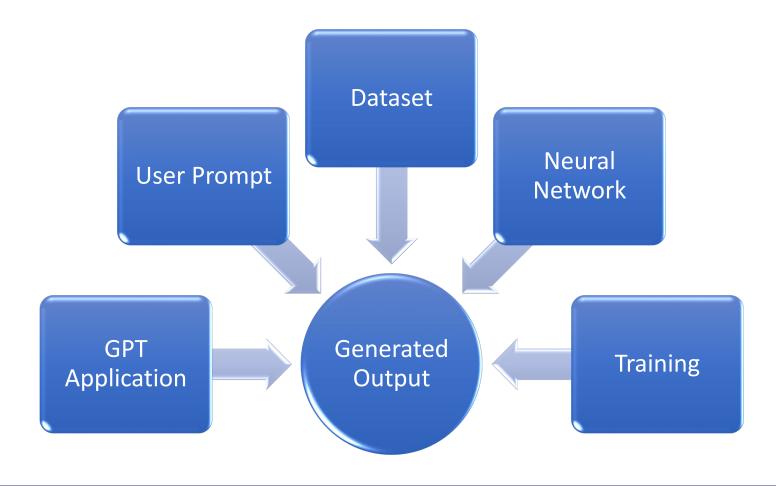
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## Thank you!!!



# FUNDAMENTALS OF GENERATIVE AI TECHNOLOGY





### Al – Artificial Intelligence

The development of "intelligent" machines that can perform tasks that typically require human intelligence, such as perception, reasoning, learning, and natural language processing.



### Machine Learning

Use of algorithms that enables machines to learn from data and make predictions or decisions based on what it has learned.



#### NLP - Natural Language Processor

A field of AI that deals with the interaction between computers and human language, enabling machines to understand, interpret, and generate human language output.



#### LLM – Large Language Model

- An artificial intelligence (AI) model that is designed to generate human-like text.
- Trained on massive amounts of data, such as text from books, articles, and websites, and use complex algorithms to learn patterns in the data and generate text that is like human writing.



#### **GPT - Generative Pre-trained Transformer**

- A type of language model that uses deep learning techniques to generate human-like text
- After reading all this data, the GPT tries to predict the next word in a sentence, using a neural network.
- Achieves greater accuracy over time



#### **Neural Network**

Program that helps a computer learn from data and make decisions



Multiple hidden layers Input layer Output layer



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