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Investment implications of Generative AI





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Investment Implications of Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI)

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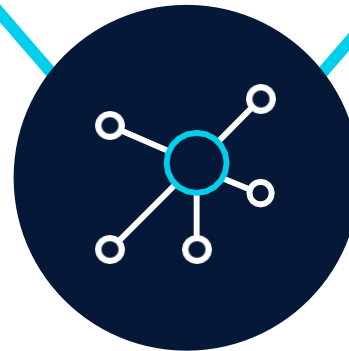
Tech Innovation Cycles

Information Technology Maturity Enables AI

Host/Mainframe

World Wide Web

Mobile/Social Cloud



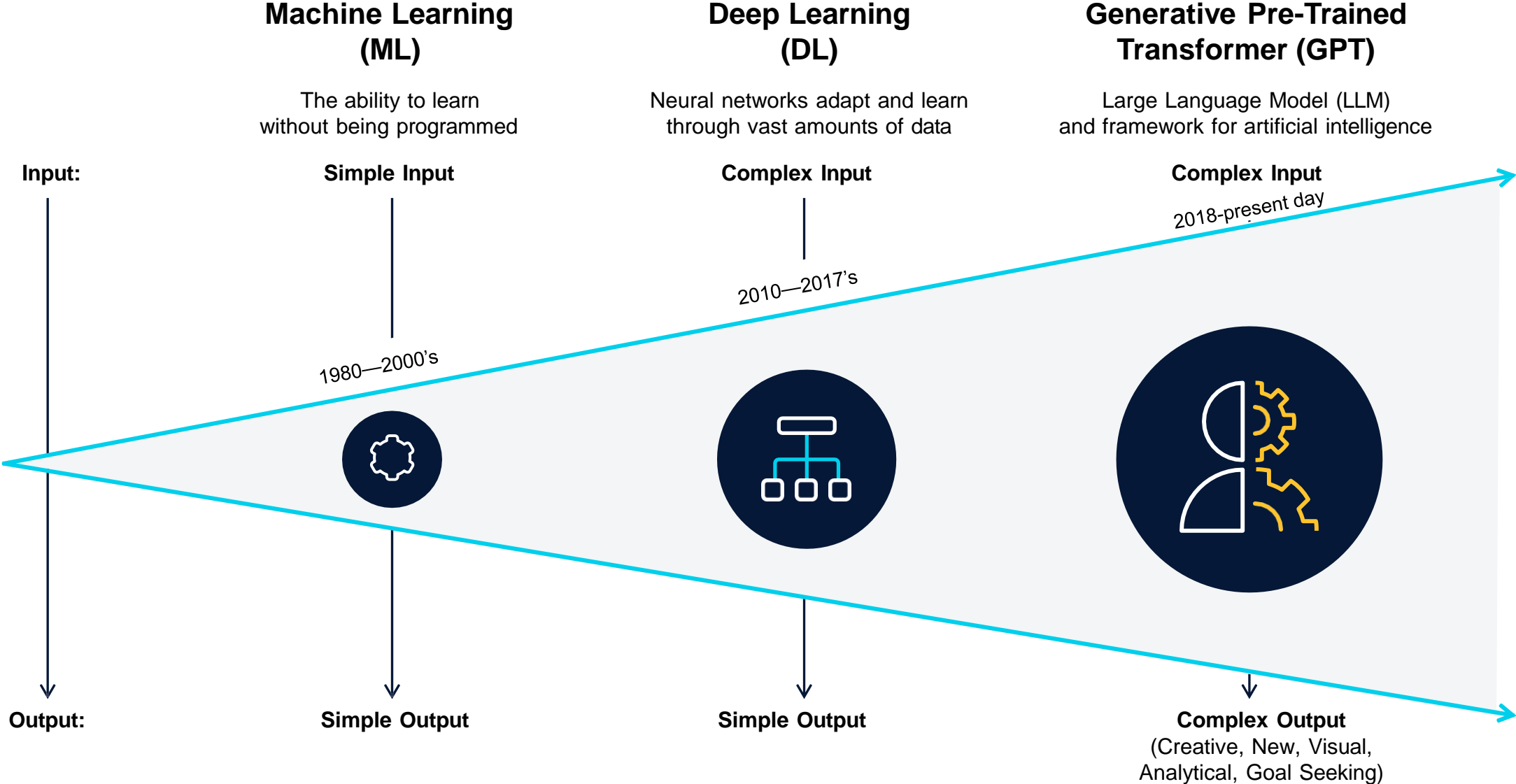
Client/Server

Decentralized IT

AI / GPU

Source: IBM, Impact 2014 Presentation via SlideShare. IT=information technology; AI=artificial intelligence; GPU=graphics processing unit.

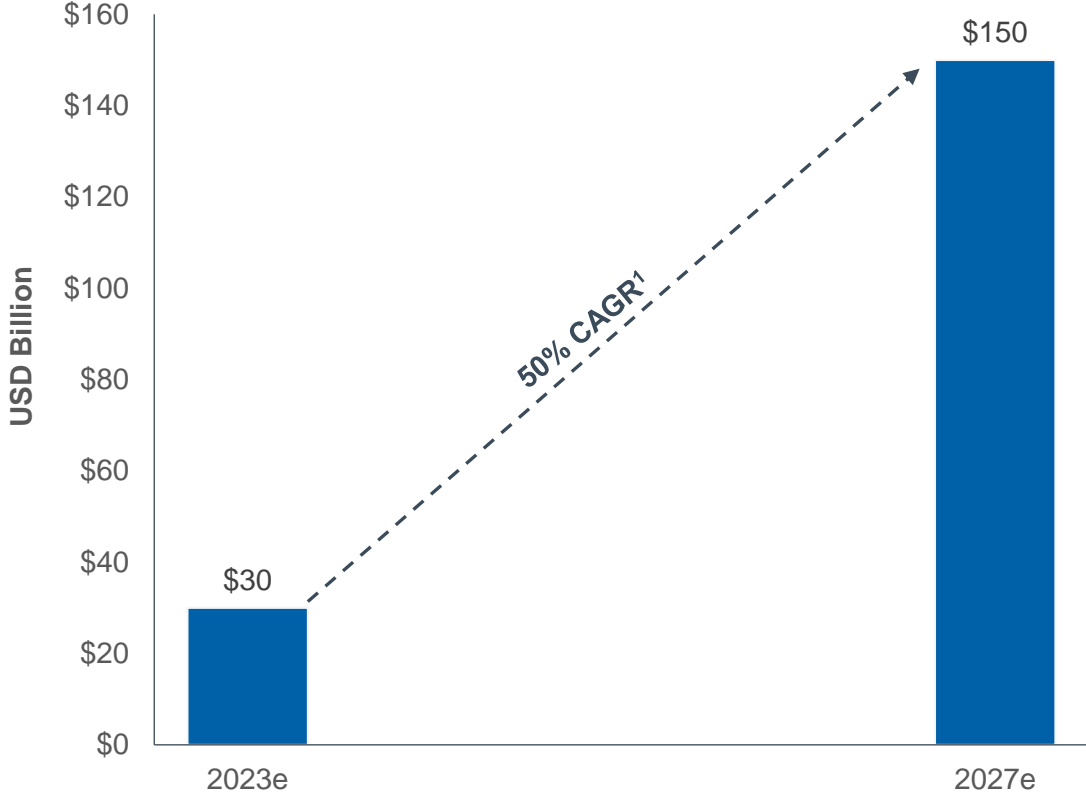
Generative AI is a breakthrough – Software writing software



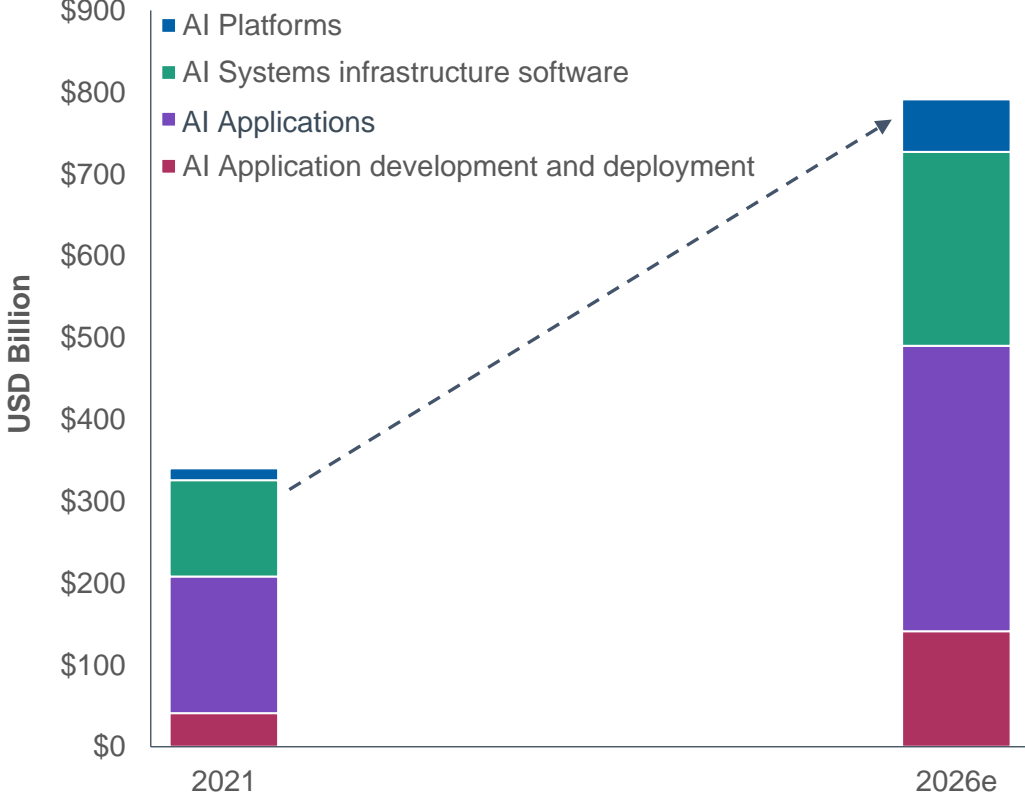
Rapidly Growing Markets

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AI Chip Total Addressable Market



Worldwide AI Software Forecast— 2021–2026



Needs for AI compute and software – driving exponential growth

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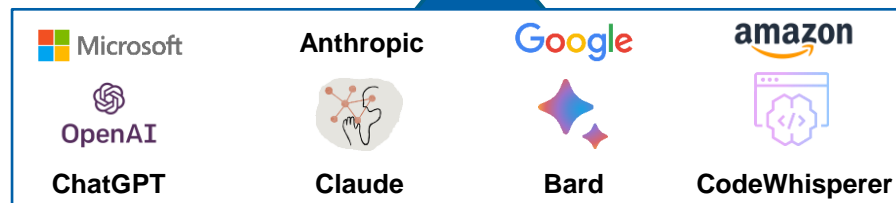
¹ Compound Annual Growth Rate.

Source: AI Chip Market—AMD Data Center and AI Technology Premier; Software Forecast—William Blair Research based on data from IDC; Worldwide Semiannual Artificial Intelligence Tracker, 2H21.

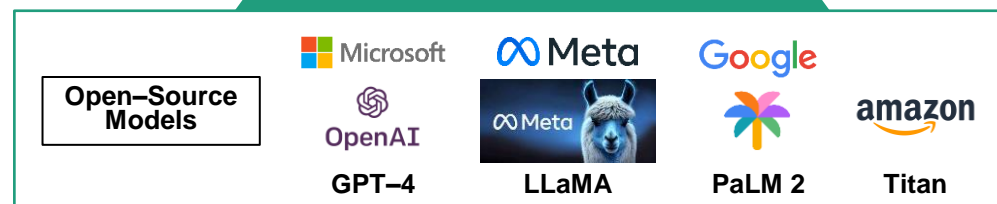
The Layers of AI

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Applications/Other



Foundational Models



Infrastructure & Enablers



Chip Ecosystem

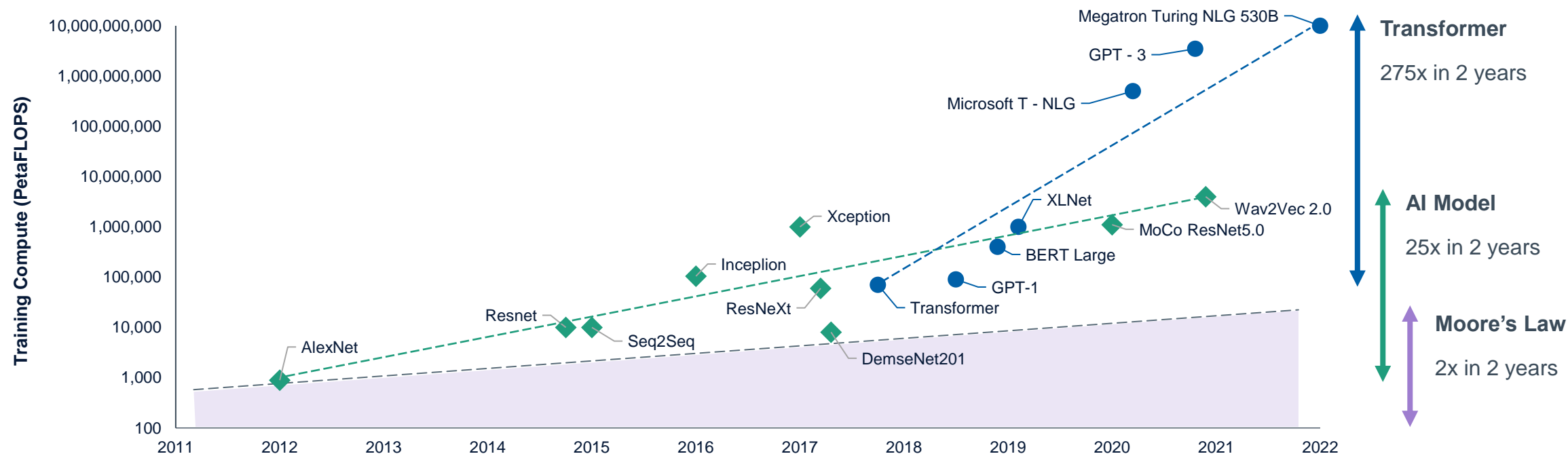


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AI Implications—Increased Capital Intensity

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Large Language Model Demand Outpacing Moore's Law



The current growth rate of computing power far exceeds Moore's Law, supercharging demand and necessitating innovation.

Source: NVIDIA Ian Buck Statement (2018), Huatai Research.

What It Takes To Win in AI

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Compute Resources /Capital



- Huge compute needs
- High silicon intensity requires a lot of capital
- Do returns justify capital spend

Data



- All data not equal
- Public vs proprietary data
- Access to low cost data
- Internet / Mobile / Enterprise

Distribution



- Application first approach
- Open AI's route to market?

Talent



- Concentrated in very few companies
- Best talent follows from the other three

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AI Benefits Platform Companies

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Technology Platforms: Compute Resources + Talent + Data + Distribution = **Potential Success** ...

Upgraded iPhones with “super” apps that include **Generative AI technology**

AI tool within Office 365 will make tasks easier with CoPilot Model

Integrating AI within Adobe’s creative software and large install base while managing digital rights

AI enhanced advertising and using ecosystem data to overcome app tracking transparency

Amazon provides a robust AI platform and machine learning services

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Investment Framework

Understanding technology, anticipating changes, pay appropriate prices

Provide mission-critical, linchpin technologies



Improving fundamentals



Innovating in secular growth markets



Reasonable valuations



Repeatable investment framework that works to evaluate new and emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence

Where are we seeing potential AI beneficiaries?

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GPU

Can process
**many pieces of
data**
simultaneously

EDA

Designs
**Semiconductor
chips**

Semi Cap equipment

Front end **Semi
cap equipment**
wafer processing

Infrastructure

**Software and
data analytics
management**

IT Services

IT applications
bring AI to the
enterprise

Technology Platforms

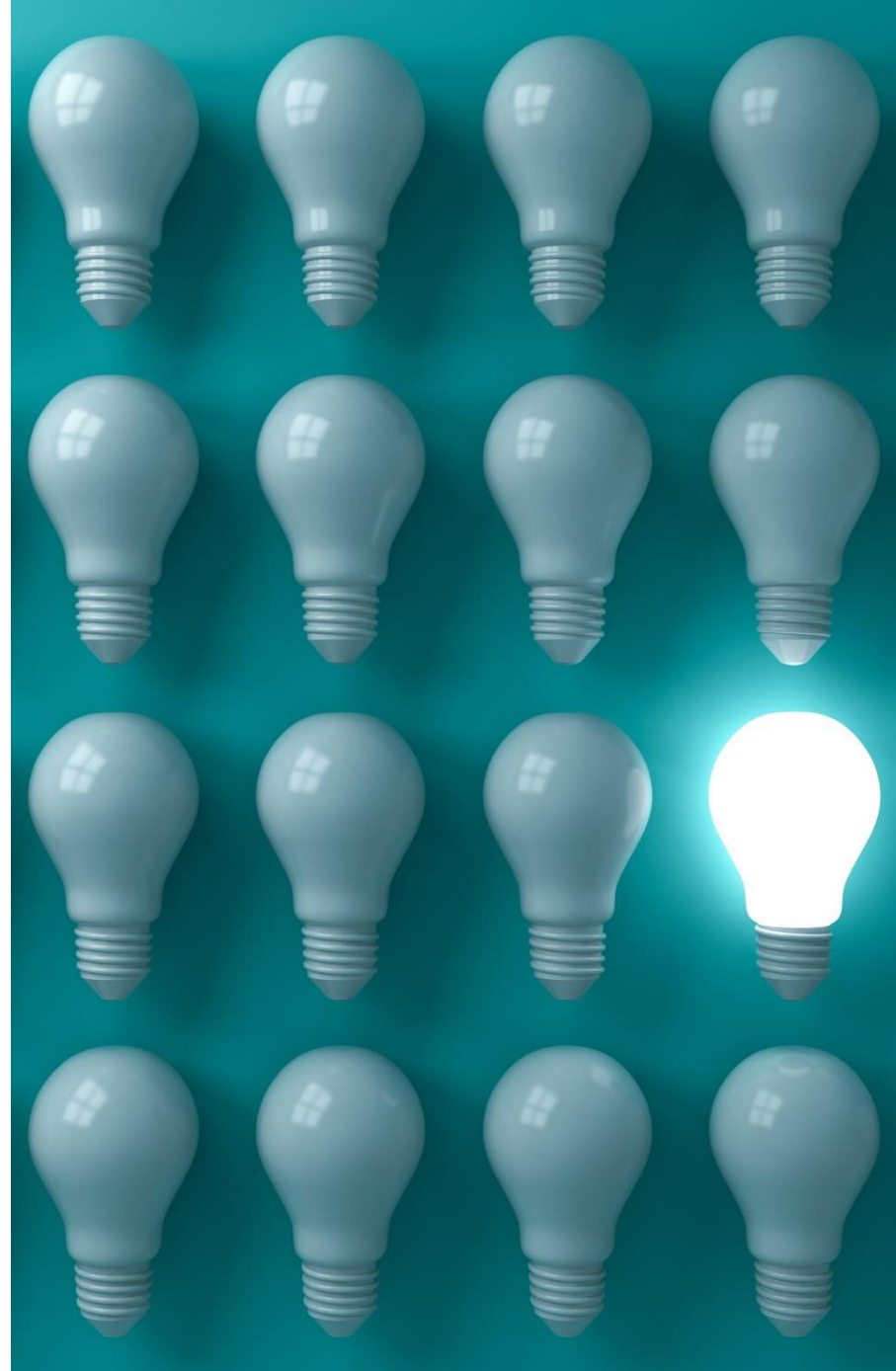
Access to
**resources, data &
distribution**

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Summary

- AI requires a robust combination of compute, talent, data, and customers benefitting existing platform companies.
- Generative AI is incredibly semiconductor intensive due to its immense parallel processing requirements. One of the best ways to take advantage of Generative AI in this mega-trend has been via the picks and shovels, and other parts of the infrastructure layer.
- AI is poised to accelerate the death of Moore's Law, with GPUs leading the charge
- AI has been and may continue to be cyclical, yet its S-curve trajectory has often been underestimated by the market
- While we are cognizant of a mini bubble potentially forming, our job is to navigate this rapidly changing environment responsibly via our investment framework.
- Our outlook on technology continues to be positive as most stocks in our investment universe have accelerating organic growth and operating margin expansion as we look into 2024.

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