

Unlocking Enterprise Growth With Generative Al and LLMs

A Whitepaper



Overview

Ever since Open AI unveiled ChatGPT in November 2022, Generative AI and large language models (LLMs, which are the central components of the domain Gen AI) have captured the attention (Attention, incidentally, is a key element of LLMs!) of common people, researchers, engineering professionals, and corporate leaders.

The proliferation of open-source and proprietary LLMs has occurred within less than two years. While many surveys confirm that enterprises are using LLMs more and more, others think that the LLM buzz is fading and that the Gen Al hype might die sooner rather than later. Meanwhile, emerging approaches, such as deploying LLM-based applications through autonomous LLM Agents, are gaining momentum. This indicates that the large-scale adoption of LLM-based applications could soon become a reality.

This complex business and technological scenario present both opportunities and challenges for enterprises and corporate stakeholders. While LLM-driven Generative AI holds immense promise and potential, to be successful in this fast-changing domain, enterprises must carefully explore all aspects, make smart technology choices, and invest wisely.

Given the emerging and rapidly evolving nature of Generative AI and LLMs, there aren't too many easy or readily available templates or answers to guide the decision-makers in successfully navigating this domain. These challenges can be overwhelming, especially for medium-sized enterprises which cannot take risky bets. This white paper aims to explain the critical factors for Enterprises to successfully leverage generative AI and LLMs to improve their productivity and automation and increase their market presence and leadership through Gen AI Products and Services for their Customers.



Foundational Models and Gen Al

Generative AI uses massively powerful computers with GPUs to train large language models on vast amounts of text data. The more parameters a foundational model has, the better it can understand and generate natural language responses.

The number of parameters typically runs into billions or more, indicating the complexity and size of Language representation in the LLM. Presently, there are at least a dozen FMs that are in use, including different variants of GPT (by Open AI), Claude (by Anthropic), Gemma (by Google AI), Llama (by Meta AI), and Mistral (by Mistral AI). These are considered leading LLMs based on their size (parameters) and benchmarked performance. The FMs are general-purpose language models designed to be reasonably good at many tasks without being especially very good at specific tasks. Sophisticated techniques such as Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG), Fine Tuning, and Prompt engineering are deployed to get these LLMs to be very good at specific tasks, such as Code Generation or Data Extraction. There are also related elements to be considered, such as Vector DBs to store the Embeddings (high dimensional mathematical representations of textual data) and deployment frameworks such as Langchain in the development of Gen AI-based applications.





Expansion Of LLM Applications

The rapid growth of Large Language Models and associated tools and platforms offering LLM-based solutions in the last couple of years has led enterprises across industries to use them for various applications. Industries such as Banking, Finance, Investment, Fintech (Trading), Healthcare, Pharma, Manufacturing, Retail, E-Commerce, Logistics, Transportation, and IT services are already adopting these solutions. Use cases include business process automation tasks like data and information extraction, document processing, content creation, and communication-centered use cases such as Chatbots and Query bots of various kinds.

Enterprises are also leveraging LLMs for use cases such as automating the software development lifecycle, including code analysis and code generation, process automation in manufacturing, and supporting design and requirements verification processes.

Industry Adoption Challenges

Recent Surveys have confirmed that LLM adoption by Enterprises is accelerating. However, there is also discussion of expectations not being met or the Gen AI bubble popping out. This dichotomy is due to the unique aspects of LLMs and their adoption for achieving business goals.

Building LLM-based applications comes with inherent challenges, including assessing and ensuring the accuracy of output, its explainability, potential model bias, hallucination (where LLMs produce disconnected or inaccurate output due to lack of grounding), and the generic nature of the pre-training data. Additionally, concerns around customer data security, privacy, ethical considerations, and environmental aspects, such as the carbon footprint from the massive computing infrastructure required for training and inference, must also be addressed. These challenges can be traced to fundamental aspects of LLMs, data-related limitations, infrastructure constraints, gaps in setting appropriate expectations for all the stakeholders, and the fluid and rapidly evolving nature of the Gen Al domain and market.



Framework and Roadmap for LLM/Gen Al Adoption by Enterprises

So, given this fluid but highly promising business and technology environment for Gen AI, what are the prerequisites for successful and pragmatic adoption of Gen AI by Medium and Large Enterprises? The following Readiness Framework can be utilized by Enterprises and customized for their unique situation to increase chances of success in Gen AI adoption:

There are 4 Readiness Pillars to consider:

Business Readiness: Clarity of Near term/Long term Purpose, Expectations, and ROI assessment

- Which strategic, tactical, or tangible outcomes are aimed to be achieved by adopting LLM/Gen Al-based solutions?
- » Are the applications for Internal Use or Customer-focused?
- Based on the above, what near-term and long-term investments are needed?
- > What is the strategy for Risk and Failure management?
- » Is there stakeholder and leadership buy-in?
- Solution is the required investment/budget committed ready to be deployed as needed?
- > Are the use case-specific ROI assessments and expectations clear to all stakeholders and decision-makers?







- Is there Clarity regarding the choice of Build vs Buy or hybrid approach?
- Are the skills requirements clear and fulfilled for In-house development?
- >> Is the skilled team ready on Day 1?
- What's the strategy to choose 3rd party vendors with the required skills and experience?



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Domain Readiness: Gen Al Domain and Global Market Understanding and Long-Term Vision

- Leadership level Understanding of the State-of-the-Art platforms/tools and technologies relevant to LLM-based applications development
- Clear Understanding of the market and business environment for Gen Al-based solutions
- Vision for a Phased rollout of Gen Al-based solutions for internal or customer/market requirements, even as the domain evolves rapidly



How Can Indium Help?

In the last few years, Indium has built a sizeable and successful Gen Al practice. In this process, we have solved multiple business problems for Enterprises in different industry verticals, including BFSI, Healthcare, and Manufacturing. Indium can partner with and support Enterprises in successfully navigating the Gen Al Journey concerning the above 4 Pillars. Specifically, Indium can help with the following offerings:

- Discovery and Guidance Workshop via Consulting for Gen Al Adoption
- Detailed Points of View for specific Use cases and Applications
- Support for identification of priority Use Cases that are viable for Enterprise Adoption
- Readiness Gaps Assessment and Path to Full Readiness
- Roadmap for Gen Al Rollout, from PoC to Production and Deployment
- Expectation Setting for Phased Realization of ROI from Gen Al Adoption
- Development and Delivery of Gen Al-based Solutions/Applications for selected Use Cases through delivery-managed services or other suitable engagement models
- Support for Deployment of production-ready Gen Al Applications in the Enterprise ecosystem
- Points of View and Practical Solutions for Responsible Gen Al and Governance

For more details on Indium's Gen Al Services, click here.



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