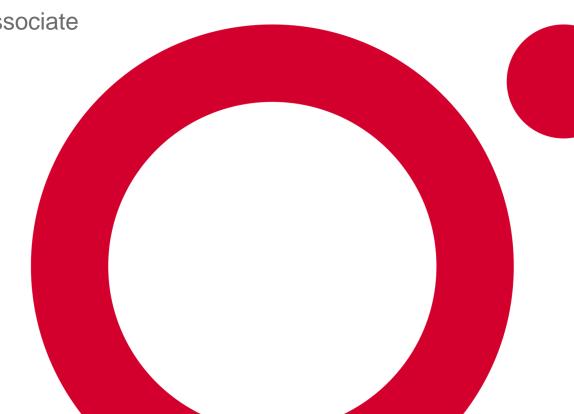
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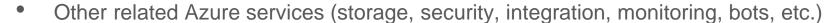




Course Overview

Al-100 Candidate Profile

- Should have subject matter expertise in:
 - Using Azure Cognitive Service (%40-50)
 - Azure Machine Learning







Azure Security Engineer Role

"Product-based vs. role-based certification"

Use the Azure Machine Learning product family, and Other Azure services to develop AI solutions.

- Data ingestion, preparation
- Security
- Integration
- Monitoring





Skills Measured on Al-100

- Azure Cognitive Services
- Azure Machine Learning
- Azure Bot Service (& Microsoft Bot Framework)
- Azure Cognitive Search
- Data storage options in Azure
- Security (data and Al services)

- Solid general knowledge of Azure services
 - Like an architecture exam (<u>AZ-300</u>, <u>AZ-301</u>)





Al (Artificial Intelligence)

<u>Al</u> enables machines to do tasks which are normally done by humans:

- Language translation
- Process images and audio
- Mathematic-based predictions
- Anomaly detection
- ...



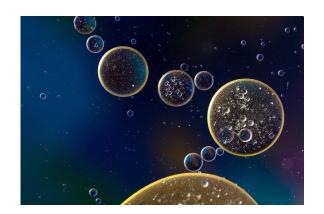
• ML is a subset of Al.

- Enables computers to use data from past to forecast future behaviors or trends.
- Machine learning enables computers to learn without being explicitly programmed.



- Machine Learning areas:
 - Classification (non-numeric)
 - Regression (numeric)
 - Clustering
 - Deep Learning,
 - ...





























Workflow

- Collect data; lots of it!
- Prepare, clean up the data
- Choose the right ML algorithm for your scenario
- Train the algorithm with your data to get a "trained model"
- Deploy and use the "model"



You are not expected to be a "Data Scientist" or have deep Machine Learning expertise to pass AI-100.



You don't need to write code in the AI-100 exam. AI-100 is about recognizing the best service for the AI project in hand and how to configure it!



The Course Structure

- Crash course, fast paced.
- Demos are scoped to what you see in the exam
- We will cover a lot :
 - Al-100 is like an architecture exam.
 - AI, storage, security, compliance, monitoring
- The topics are based on the exam blueprint.
 - https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/learn/certifications/exams/ai-100





Questions & Resources

- Post questions in the QnA box
- Resources in the course repository
 - https://github.com/zaalion/oreilly-ai-100

- Reach out:
 - Twitter: @zaalion







AI-100

- Azure Machine Learning
- Azure Cognitive Search
- Azure Data Factory
- Azure SQL Database
- Azure Cosmos DB
- Azure Storage Account Blob
- Azure Storage Account Table
- Azure Storage Account Queue
- Azure Storage Account File
- Azure Functions
- Azure Logic Apps
- Azure Stream Analytics
- Azure Data Explorer

- Azure Virtual Machines
- Azure Virtual Network
- Network Security Groups (NSG)
- Azure Cognitive Services Vision
- Azure Cognitive Services Speech
- Azure Cognitive Services Decision
- Azure Cognitive Services Language
- Azure Cognitive Services Search
- Azure Event Grid
- Azure Kubernetes Services
- Azure Container Services
- Azure Container Registry
- Azure Databricks

- Azure Active Directory
- Azure IoT Hub
- Azure IoT Edge
- Azure Security Center
- Azure Key Vault
- Azure Sentinel
- Azure Web Application Firewall
- Azure App Services
- Azure API Management
- Azure Bot Services/framework
- Azure Service Bus
- Azure Synapse
- Azure HDInsight



Al-100 is a service identification exam!



Analyze Solution Requirements

Recommend Azure Cognitive Services APIs

- Microsoft offers several Al products
 - Available processing architectures for Al solutions
 - Available data processing technologies
 - Identify automation options



- laaS
 - Manage VM > Create Al Experiments > Use the Al model
- PaaS
 - Create AI Experiments > Use the AI model
- SaaS
 - Use the pre-trained AI model



- laaS
 - Microsoft Machine Learning Server
 - O SQL Server Machine Learning Services

Also available as Azure VMs





PaaS

- Azure Machine Learning (v2)
- Azure Machine Learning Studio (v1, classic)
- HDInsight & Azure Databricks
- Hadoop vs. Spark











- SaaS
 - Azure Cognitive Services
 - Azure Cognitive Search





- Harder to use. Data science and ML expertise is required.
- Very flexible, more AI tasks can be solved

- Easier to use, less domain expertise is needed.
- Less flexibility, generalized AI tasks

IaaS PaaS SaaS









- Al-100 focus is on:
 - Azure Cognitive Services, and
 - Azure Machine Learning



laaS PaaS SaaS

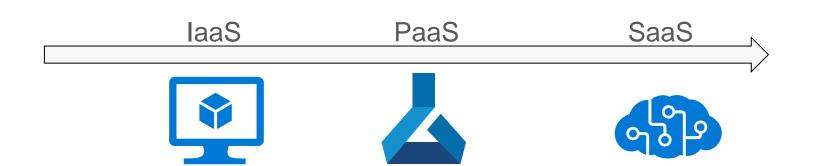








- Start looking in Azure Cognitive Services.
- If no luck, try other Azure machine learning options
 - PaaS first





- Azure Machine Learning
 - Can be used for any kind of machine learning
 - Deep learning, supervised, and unsupervised learning.
 - Provides all the tools developers and data scientists need for their ML workflows





- Azure Machine Learning versions:
 - V2: Azure Machine Learning
 - V1: <u>Azure Machine Learning Studio (classic)</u>







- Connect to Azure Machine Learning models:
 - REST API
- You will need
 - API endpoint & API key or token





Azure Cognitive Services

- No ML or data science expertise
- Models are pre-trained by Microsoft
- Simply use the trained models
- Covering general use cases
- There is a level of customization
- Five main categories





- Azure Cognitive Services
 - Vision
 - Speech
 - Language
 - Decision
 - Web Search (formerly Search)



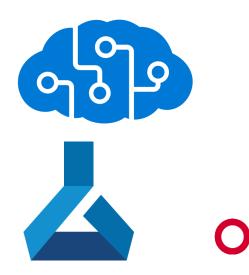


- Use the Azure Cognitive Services
 - O REST API
 - SDK (language specific)
- You will need
 - API endpoint & API key or token
 - Azure Active Directory authentication (RBAC)





- Both Azure Cognitive Services & Azure Machine Learning models can be deployed to <u>Docker</u> containers.
 - Deploy to on-premises machines
 - Deploy to <u>Azure AKS</u>
 - Deploy to <u>Azure ACI</u>
 - O Deploy to an <u>loT edge</u> device
 - Why?



Azure Machine Learning gives you a trained model file.

You can download it and deploy it anywhere you desire!





- Relational databases
- Document databases
- Key/Value databases
- Graph databases
- Column family databases

- Object storage
- File share
- Data analytics databases
- Search Engine databases
- Time Series databases













- Store logs / Azure Cognitive Services output
 - Azure Blob Storage
- Low latency document database
 - Azure Cosmos DB Core API
- Database for social media
 - Azure Cosmos DB Graph API
- Migrating from MongoDB
 - Azure Cosmos MongoDB API



- Building search around your existing data
 - Azure Cognitive Search
- Fast cache store
 - Azure Cache for Redis (Azure Redis)
- Highly relational data
 - Azure SQL Database
- Cheap column database
 - Azure Table Storage
- Data Warehouse
 - Azure Synapse Analytics



- Structured data
 - Azure SQL Database, MySQL, PostgreSQL, MariaDB
- Unstructured data
 - Azure Cosmos DB, Azure Table Storage
- Blobs / files
 - Azure Blob Storage, Data Lake Gen 2



Automation Options

- Provisioning and deployment automation
 - You can create an Azure resource:
 - Azure Portal
 - Azure CLI / PowerShell / ARM templates / REST
 - Automate your AI solution deployment
 - Azure Automation Runbooks
 - Azure Blueprints







Securing Azure AI Solutions

- 1. Securing AI APIs and interfaces
- 2. Protecting customer data
 - a. Protecting AI solution data
 - b. Data privacy and regulatory compliance
- 3. Auditing



- Azure Machine Learning
 - REST API
 - API key, or security tokens
 - Keep them safe (in <u>Azure Key Vault</u>)



- Azure Cognitive Services
 - O REST API or SDK
 - API key, or
 - Security token (time sensitive), or
 - Azure Active Directory authentication (RBAC)



- Azure Cognitive Services
 - API key
 - All Services support keys except <u>Text-to-speech</u>.
 - They don't expire but can be rotated.
 - Keep them safe (<u>Azure Key Vault</u>)



- Azure Cognitive Services
 - API security tokens
 - Obtain them on-the-fly using an API key
 - They expire after 10 minutes
 - Keep them safe (in Azure Key Vault)



- Azure Cognitive Services
 - Azure Active Directory
 - Create a service principal or Managed Identity
 - Assign permission over the service to this identity
 - Can apply RBAC



Not all Azure Cognitive Services support security tokens or Azure Active Directory authentication!



- Azure Cognitive Services
 - Azure Active Directory authentication
 - Computer Vision, Face, Text Analytics, Immersive Reader
 - Security token (time sensitive)
 - Text translation, speech-to-text, text-to-speech
 - API key
 - All services except Text-to-speech



Protecting Customer Data

- Azure helps you protect client data
 - Data storage authentication/authorization
 - Data storage firewall
 - Data storage private endpoint
 - At-rest data protection
 - In-transit data protection



Protecting Customer Data

- Azure helps you protect client data
 - Data segregation
 - Data redundancy
 - Data retention
 - Data destruction



Data Storage Authentication/Authorization

- Azure SQL Database
- Azure Storage Account
- Azure Cosmos DB
- Azure Cognitive Search
- Azure Cache for Redis
- MariaDB
- etc.



- Database keys
- DB Credentials
- AAD Managed Identity
- RBAC



Data Storage Firewall

- Azure SQL Database
- Azure Storage Account
- Azure Cosmos DB
- Azure Cognitive Search
- Azure Cache for Redis
- MariaDB
- etc.



- VNET integration
- Incoming IP addresses
- Allow Azure services



Data storage Private Endpoint

- Azure SQL Database
- Azure Storage Account
- Azure Cosmos DB
- Azure Cognitive Search
- Azure Cache for Redis
- MariaDB
- etc.



Only private access



At-rest Data Protection

- Azure Storage Account SSE
- Azure SQL Database TDE
- Azure Disk Encryption
- Managed Disk Encryption
 - (+CMK)
- Azure Cosmos DB encryption



- Key management:
 - System managed
 - Customer managed



In-transit Data Protection

- All communications are encrypted using SSL/TLS
- TLS 1.2
- TLS version is configurable



Data Segregation

- Azure is a multi-tenant service
 - Multiple customer data is stored on the same hardware.
- Azure uses logical isolation to segregate customers' data



Data Redundancy

- In-country / in-region storage for compliance or latency considerations.
- Out-of-country/out-of-region storage for security or disaster recovery purposes.



Data Redundancy

- Azure Storage Account
- Azure SQL Database
- Azure VM Backups
- Azure Cosmos DB



Data Retention

- How long to keep the data?
 - Azure Storage Accounts
 - Azure SQL Database backups
 - Logs
 - ...



Data Destruction

- When customers delete data or leave Azure, Microsoft follows strict standards for overwriting storage resources before their reuse,
- As well as the physical destruction of decommissioned hardware



Data Ownership

- Microsoft does not inspect, approve, or monitor applications that customers deploy to Azure
- Microsoft does not know what kind of data customers choose to store in Azure
- Microsoft does not claim data ownership over the customer information that's entered Azure.



Regulatory Compliance and Governance

- Regulatory compliance refers to the discipline and process of ensuring that a company follows the laws enforced by governing bodies in their geography.
 - The company follows government laws concerning customer data.
 - Changes by region
- Use Azure Policy to enforce compliance



Regulatory Compliance and Governance

- Regulatory compliance
 - HIPAA
 - PCI
 - Personal data, PPI
 - GDPR
- Azure Data classification



Azure Policy to Enforce Compliance

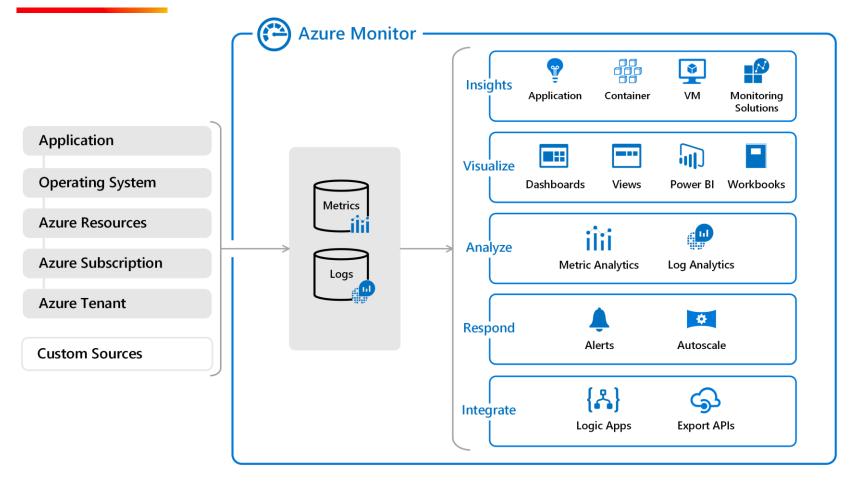
- Azure Policy can help you comply!
 - All resources should have taxonomy tags
 - No resource should be created outside USA
 - Only small VM sizes should be created for DEV
- Easy integration with Azure Blueprints



Logs and Security Tools in Azure

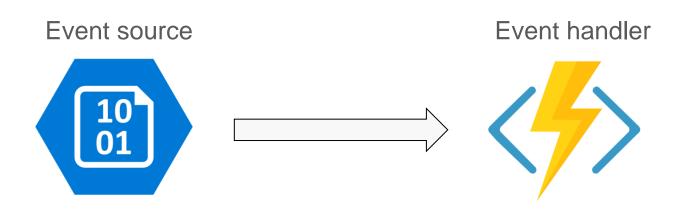
- Azure Log Analytics Workspace
- App Insights
- Azure Monitor
- Azure Security Center
- Azure Sentinel







Connect, chain multiple pipeline elements



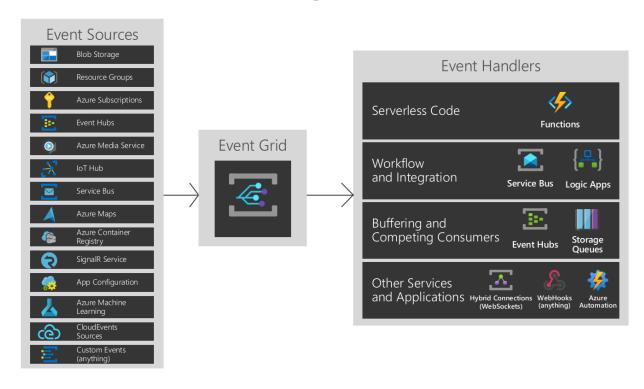


- Connect, chain multiple pipeline elements
- Event source
 - Azure Event Hubs
 - Azure IoT Hub
 - Azure Storage Account
 - Azure Service Bus (queues, topics)
 - Azure Container Registry



- Connect, chain multiple pipeline elements
- Event handler
 - Azure Logic Apps
 - Azure Functions
 - Azure Stream Analytics
 - Azure Data Factory
 - Event Hubs
 - Azure Automation







Questions



Break (5 minutes)



Design Al Solutions

Agenda: Design Al Solutions

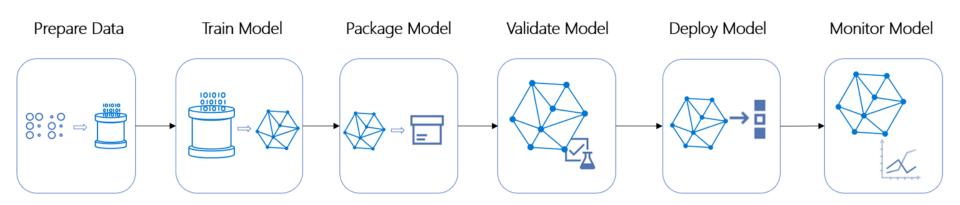
- Define Al Workflows
- Design Cognitive Services solutions
- Design solutions using the Microsoft Bot Framework
- Design the compute infrastructure



- Azure pipeline technologies
 - Azure Machine Learning Pipelines
 - Model orchestration (Train the model)
 - Azure Data Factory pipelines
 - Data orchestration (Data prep)
 - Azure DevOps Pipelines
 - Code & app orchestration (CI/CD)



- Using Azure Machine Learning pipelines
 - Designer or Python/R SDK





- Using Azure Machine Learning pipelines
 - Designer or Python/R SDK
 - Run in the context of an Azure ML Experiment
 - Prepare data, train and validate a model and deploy it

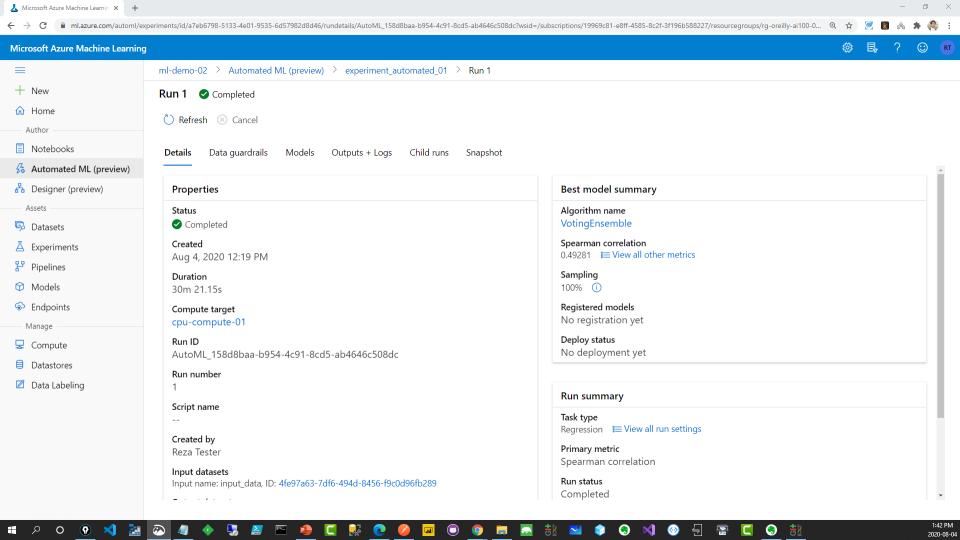


- Building a pipeline in Azure Machine Learning workspace
 - Using Python / R SDKs
 - Using the Designer



- Automated Machine Learning (preview)
 - How do you choose the best ML algorithm?





Azure Cognitive Services

- Is an Azure SaaS AI offering
- Many general Al tasks can be addressed
- Customizable to some level (will see later)
- No AI or data science expertise is needed
- Use REST APIs or SDKs (if applicable) to call the services



- Provisioning
 - Azure Portal
 - Azure CLI
 - Azure PowerShell
 - \circ ARM
 - SDK (management)
 - REST API



- Authentication / Authorization
 - API Key, or
 - Bearer token, or
 - Azure Active Directory and RBAC
 - Only Computer Vision, Face, Text Analytics, Immersive Reader, Form Recognizer, Anomaly Detector, and all Bing services except Bing Custom Search



- Azure Cognitive Services Categories
 - Vision
 - Speech
 - Language
 - Decision
 - Web Search (formerly Search)



- Azure Cognitive Services Vision
 - Computer Vision
 - Custom Vision
 - Face
 - Video Indexer
 - Form Recognizer
 - Ink Recognizer PREVIEW



- Azure Cognitive Services Speech
 - Speech to Text
 - Text to Speech
 - Speech Translation
 - Speaker Recognition PREVIEW



- Azure Cognitive Services Language
 - Translator
 - Custom Translator
 - Text Analytics
 - QnA <u>Maker</u>
 - Language Understanding (LUIS)
 - Immersive Reader



- Azure Cognitive Services Decision
 - Content Moderator
 - Personalizer
 - Anomaly Detector



- Anomaly Detector
 - Azure SQL Database Advanced Data Security
 - Azure Stream Analytics Anomaly Detection
 - Azure Data Explorer Anomaly Detection
 - ...



- Azure Cognitive Services Web Search (Bing Search, formerly Search)
 - Bing [*] Search
 - * Web, Visual, Video, News, Image, Entity
 - Bing Custom Search
 - Bing Autosuggest
 - Bing Spell Check



- Authentication options:
 - Authenticate with a single-service subscription key
 - Authenticate with a multi-service subscription key
 - Authenticate with a token (Bearer)
 - Authenticate with Azure Active Directory (AAD)



- Authenticate with a **single-service** subscription key:
 - Create a specific Cognitive Service
 - Portal, PowerShell, CLI, ARM, REST
 - Use the endpoint and API key to authenticate
 - Header: Ocp-Apim-Subscription-Key



- Authenticate with a multi-service subscription key:
 - Create a multi-purpose Cognitive Service
 - Portal, PowerShell, CLI, ARM, REST
 - Use the endpoint and API key to authenticate
 - The subscription key is not tied to a specific service
 - Header: Ocp-Apim-Subscription-Key



- Specifying region in the API call:
 - For most services:
 - <REGION>.api.cognitive.microsoft.com
 - westus.api.cognitive.microsoft.com
 - For the *Translator* service:
 - -H 'Ocp-Apim-Subscription-Region: eastus'



- Authenticate with a security token (Bearer):
 - Supported services:
 - Text Translation API
 - Speech Services: Speech-to-text REST API
 - Speech Services: Text-to-speech REST API
 - First, get a token with your subscription key
 - Then, -H 'Authorization: Bearer YOUR_AUTH_TOKEN'



- Currently, only the following support AAD authentication:
 - Computer Vision API, Face API, Text Analytics API, Immersive Reader, Form Recognizer, Anomaly Detector
 - All Bing services except Bing Custom Search
- Can be configured in the Azure Portal or programmatically
 - PowerShell, CLI, etc.



Questions



- Bots provide an experience that feels less like using a computer and more like dealing with a person.
- "Azure Bot Service and Bot Framework offer an integrated set of tools and services to facilitate this process"



Steps to build a bot





- Build your bots
 - Azure portal, or
 - C#, JavaScript and Python templates





- Test your bot before deployment
 - Test your bot locally with the "Bot Framework Emulator".
 - Test your bot on the web using "Web App Bot"
 - Unit Test your bot with the July update of Bot Framework SDK.





- Publish your bot
 - To Azure
 - Your own website





- Connect your bot to channels
 - Facebook, Messenger, Kik, Slack, Microsoft Teams, Telegram, text/SMS, Twilio,
 Cortana, etc.





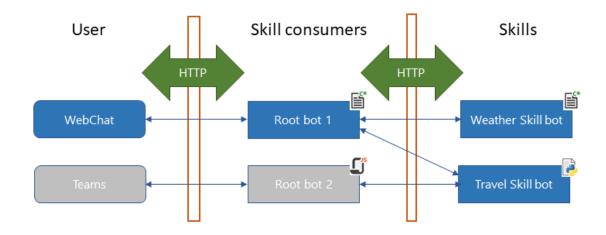
Channels

- A channel is a connection between the bot and communication apps.
 - Cortana
 - Alexa
 - Email
 - Facebook
 - Skype
 - Telegram
 - Slack
 - Twilio
 - ...



Bot Framework Skills

- A skill is a bot that can perform a set of tasks for another bot.
- A skill consumer is a bot that can call one or more skills





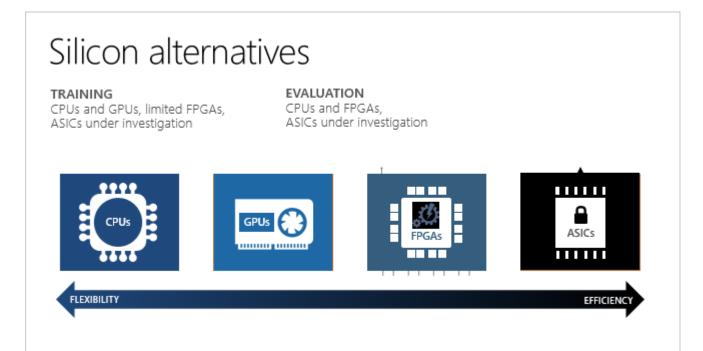
- Use a Bot to add a conversational layer on top of your Al models
 - Azure Cognitive Services integration
 - QnA Maker (<u>Knowledge</u>)
 - Language Understanding (LUIS)
 - Azure Cognitive Search integration



Design the Compute Infrastructure

- Azure Machine Learning compute instance
 - FPGA based
 - GPU based
 - CPU based







- FPGAs
 - Contain an array of programmable logic blocks, and
 - A hierarchy of reconfigurable interconnects
 - The interconnects allow these blocks to be configured in various ways after manufacturing
 - Provide a combination of programmability and performance.



- FPGAs
 - FPGAs on Azure are based on Intel's FPGA devices
 - Used to accelerate real-time AI calculations
 - FPGA-enabled architecture offers performance, flexibility, and scale
 - Make it possible to achieve low latency for real-time requests



- Use FPGA-based compute for:
 - Image classification and recognition scenarios
 - TensorFlow deployment (requires Tensorflow 1.x)



- FPGAs
 - FPGAs are available in these Azure regions:
 - East US
 - Southeast Asia
 - West Europe
 - West US 2



- Deploy models on FPGAs
 - Deploy a model as a web service on FPGAs with <u>Azure Machine Learning</u>
 <u>Hardware Accelerated Models</u>.
 - Quickstart



- GPU-based compute:
 - Offer parallel processing capabilities,
 - Making it faster at image rendering than CPUs.
 - Makes it a good choice for image and video processing



- CPU-based compute:
 - General-purpose processors
 - Their performance isn't ideal for graphics and video processing.



Decide on Compute Infrastructure

- Which compute infrastructure should I choose if:
 - I need real-time AI and I am in eastus?
 - I am using <u>TensorFlow</u>.
 - I am processing security video footage in "canada central"?
 - I am looking for the cheapest option and I don't need real-time processing.



Cloud-based, On-premises, or Hybrid

- Cloud-based vs. on-premises vs. hybrid cloud
- Choose SaaS over PaaS anywhere possible
- Choose PaaS over laaS anywhere possible
- Choose cloud-based over on-premises if possible
- Main reasons for choosing on-premises or hybrid solutions:
 - Security
 - Latency
 - Legacy solutions
 - Data or code migration challenges



Questions



Break (5 minutes)



Implement and Monitor Al solutions

Implement and Monitor Al solutions

- Integration with Azure Cognitive Services
- Custom Al services
- Develop Streaming Solutions
- Implement Azure Cognitive Search
- Implement data logging processes



Integration with Azure Cognitive Services

- Integrate Cognitive Services REST API with:
 - Azure Logic Apps
 - Azure Function Apps, App Services
 - Azure Data <u>Factory</u>
 - Microsoft Flow
- More integrations via event handlers
 - Azure Storage accounts, <u>Azure Service Bus</u>, <u>Event Hubs</u>, <u>Event Grid</u>.



- Azure Cognitive Service
 - Custom Translator
 - Custom Vision
 - Custom text-to-speech
 - Custom speech-to-text
 - Content Moderator Human Review Tool
 - Bing Custom Search
- Azure Machine Learning
 - Sky's the limit!



- Custom Translator
 - Can be used to customize the Cognitive Services Language
 - Tailor the translation to your industry
 - Technology
 - Health
 - Physics
 - There is a custom portal



- Custom Vision
 - Use it when standard Computer Vision is not sufficient
 - Use it for classification scenarios
 - Sugar maple vs. Japanese maple, etc.
 - There is a custom portal



- Custom text-to-speech
 - Create a custom Voice
- Custom speech-to-text
 - Create voice profiles for different accents and environments



- Content Moderator Human Review Tool
 - Used in conjunction with the machine-assisted moderation APIs
 - Review the already-applied moderation tags



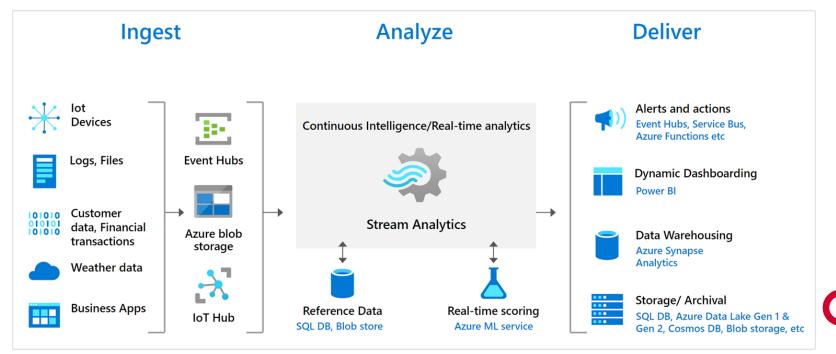
- Bing Custom Search
 - Use it when standard Cognitive Web Search services are not enough
 - Custom ranking and filtering
 - •
 - https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/cognitive-services/bing-custom-search/



- Azure Stream Analytics
 - Ingest and process real-time data
 - Ingest from IoT Hub, Event Hubs and Blob Storage
 - Process using a SQL-like language
 - Output to several services such as Event Hubs, Power BI, Logic Apps, etc.
 - Does support Al-backed anomaly detection
 - Alternative to Anomaly Detector (preview)



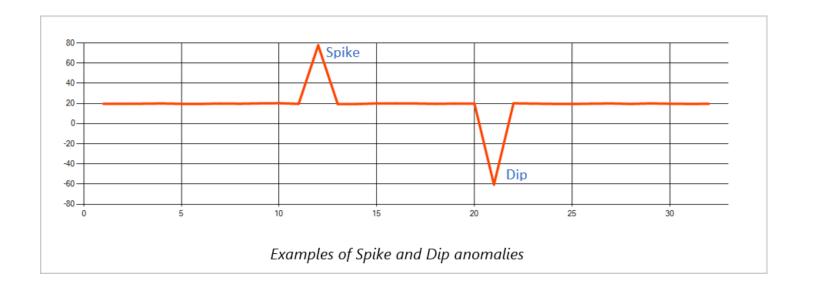
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- Azure Stream Analytics
 - Integrate with Machine Learning
 - Stream Analytics functions
 - Azure Machine Learning
 - Azure Machine Learning Studio (classic)
 - Anomaly Detection

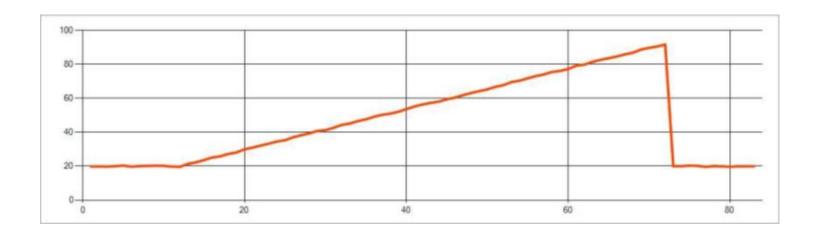


- Azure Stream Analytics: Anomaly Detection
 - Stream Analytics functions: AnomalyDetection_SpikeAndDip



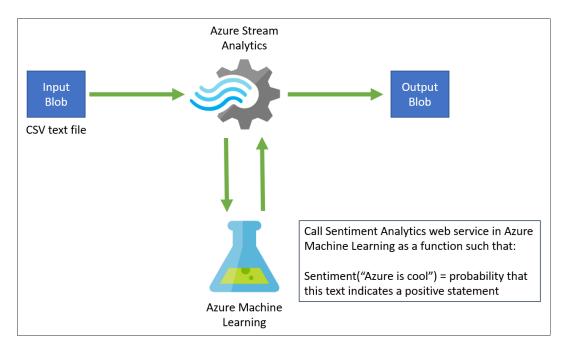


- Azure Stream Analytics: Anomaly Detection
 - Stream Analytics functions: AnomalyDetection_ChangePoint



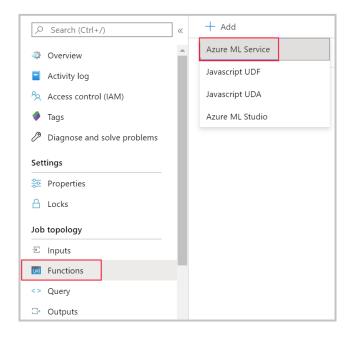


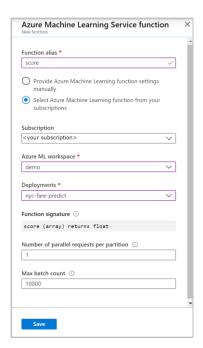
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Azure Stream Analytics: Integrate with Machine Learning







What is Azure Cognitive Search?

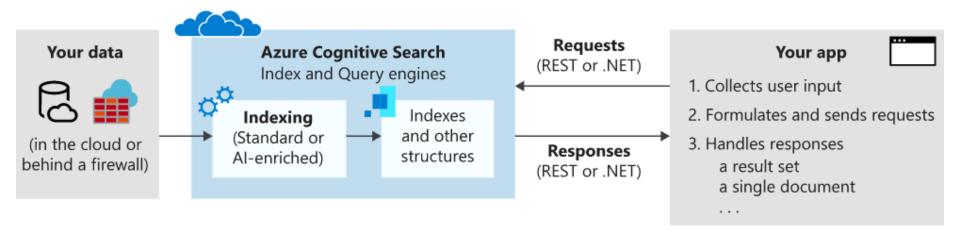
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Azure Cognitive Search (formerly known as "Azure Search") is a search-as-a-service cloud solution that gives developers APIs and tools for adding a rich search experience over private, heterogeneous content in web, mobile, and enterprise applications.



- Sits on top of your existing data
 - Azure SQL Database, Cosmos DB, etc.
- Ingests and indexes the data
- A client can query the data via REST APIs







- All enrichment extracts and enriches data
 - To make it searchable in <u>Azure Cognitive Search</u>.
 - Skills and skill sets



Questions

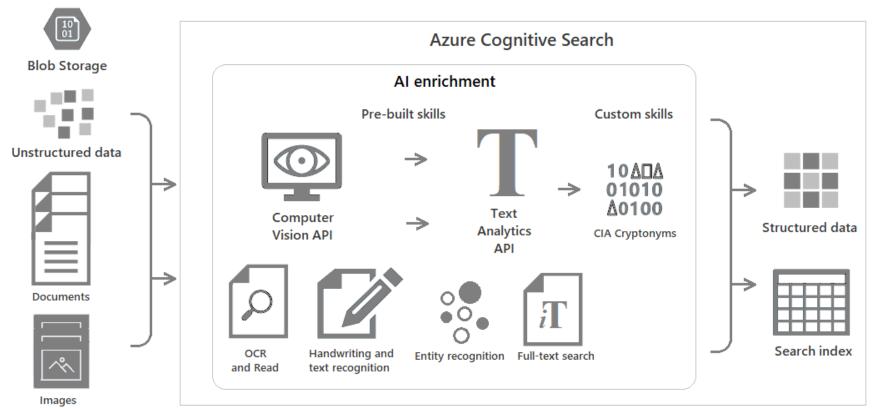


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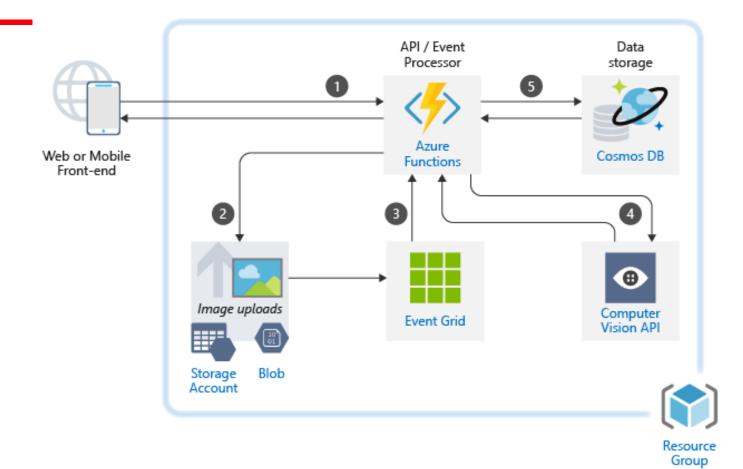


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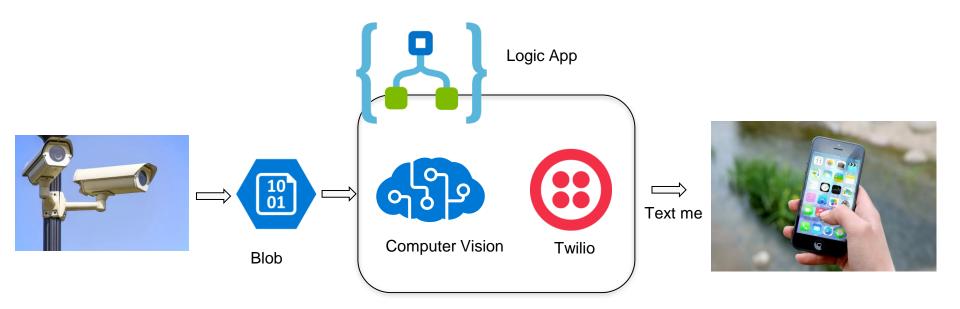






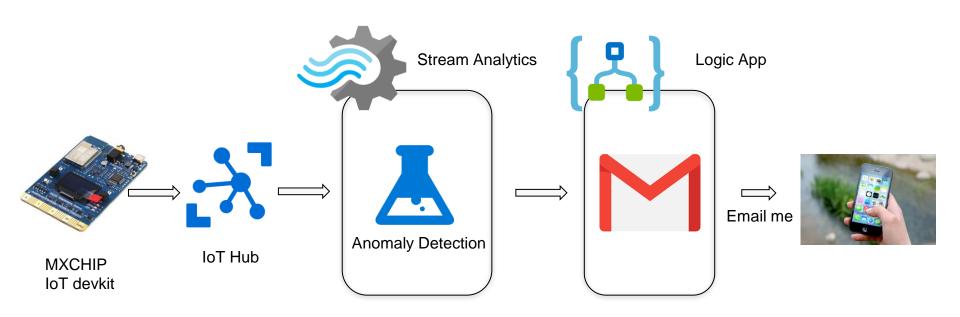


Text Me When a Person is in the Building

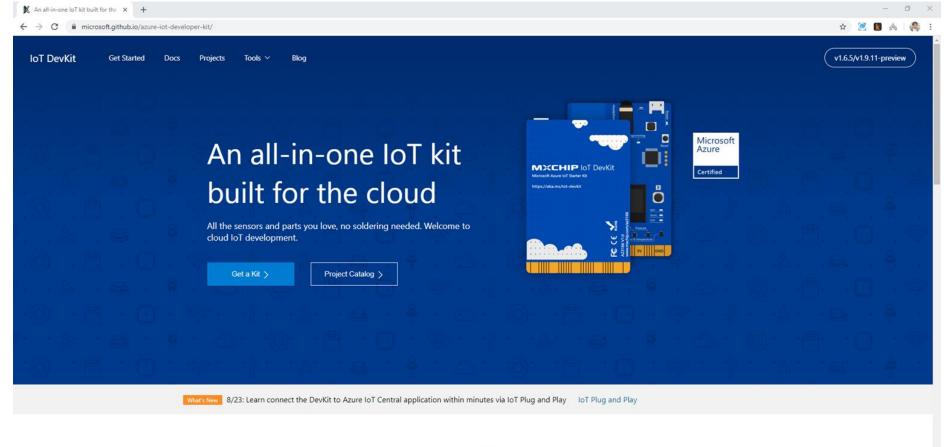




Send an Email When Humidity is Too High







Benefits







Questions



The Exam

Questions in Al-100

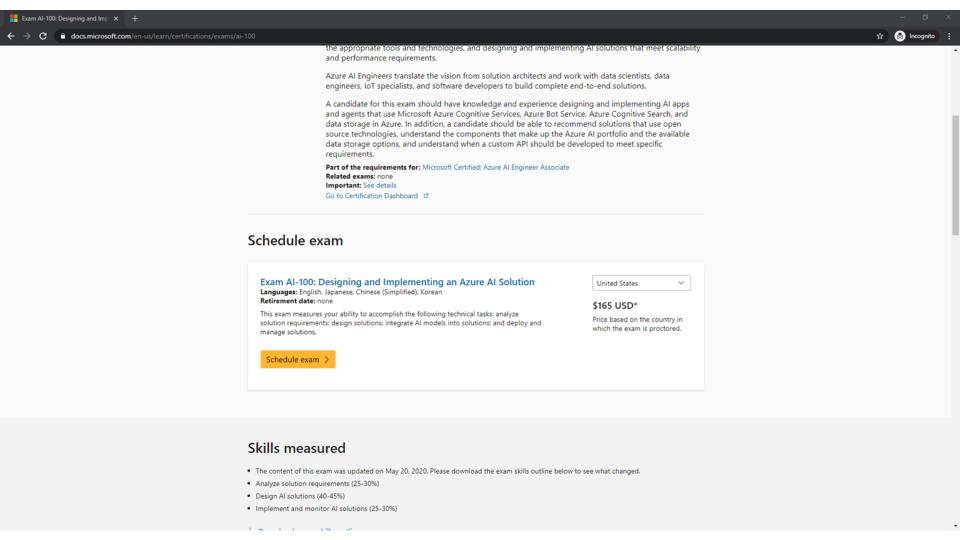
- Multiple choice
- Drag and drop
- Scenario based
- There will be hands-on labs



AI-100

- Exam Al-100 :
- https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/learn/certifications/exams/ai-100
- Skills measured : https://query.prod.cms.rt.microsoft.com/cms/api/am/binary/RE3VC6C
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https://github.com/zaalion/oreilly-ai-100



Q&A



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