

STEPS TO SETUP APIM

STEP 1: Create a Resource Group and select the subscription

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Create a resource group

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Resource group - A container that holds related resources for an Azure solution. The resource group can include all the resources for the solution, or only those resources that you want to manage as a group. You decide how you want to allocate resources to resource groups based on what makes the most sense for your organization. [Learn more](#)

Subscription * ⓘ	Free Trial
Resource group name * ⓘ	
Region * ⓘ	(US) East US

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure Resource groups page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Microsoft Azure logo, upgrade and search links, Copilot, and various icons. Below the navigation is a breadcrumb trail: Home > Resource groups. The main content area displays a table of resource groups. There is one entry in the table:

Name	Subscription	Location
apim_poc	Free Trial	East US

Step 2: Create a Service in Azure Ai services (OpenAI)

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Create Azure OpenAI

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Azure OpenAI Service provides access to OpenAI's powerful language models, including all the latest OpenAI models. These models can be easily adapted to your specific tasks, including but not limited to content generation, summarization, image understanding, semantic search, and natural language to code translation. Top use cases include Call Centers, Virtual Assistants, Accessibility, Content Generation, and Code Development. The service also features the Assistants API, Fine Tuning capabilities and many ways to connect your data to the service for conversational experiences. The service can be scaled through Standard (tokens) and Provisioned (PTUs) deployment types.

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Subscription * ⓘ

Free Trial

Resource group * ⓘ

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Filter for any field...

Subscription equals all

Type equals all

Add filter

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 records.

No grouping

List

Name ↑↓

Kind ↑↓

Location ↑↓

Custom Domain ... ↑↓ Pricing tier

apim-poc-azure-ai-project

OpenAI

East US

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Step 3: Deploy models inside the created Azure open AI service

1. Open the Azure open AI service that you created.
 2. Go to the endpoint section and Copy the Service Endpoint.
 3. Click on “Go to AI Foundry portal”

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apim-poc-azure-ai-project

Azure OpenAI

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Essentials

Resource group (move)	API Kind
apim_poc	OpenAI
Status	Pricing tier
Active	Standard
Location	Endpoints
East US	Click here to view endpoints
Subscription (move)	Manage keys
Free Trial	Click here to manage keys
Subscription ID	
c9b824f4-ee5d-4bf4-8117-e022c537de3f	
Tags (edit)	
Add tags	

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4. Go to the Deployments Section

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Tools

Fine-tuning

Azure

OpenAI Service Evaluation

Stored completions PREVIEW

Batch jobs

Metrics

Shared resources

Deployments

Quota

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Data files

Vector stores PREVIEW

Chat playground

View code Deploy Import Export Prompt samples Filters feedback

Setup

Deployment * + Create new deployment

gpt-4o (version:2024-11-20)

Give the model instructions and context

You are an AI assistant that helps people find information.

Apply changes Generate prompt

+ Add section

> Add your data

Chat history

Start with a sample prompt

Recipe creation

Invent a recipe for a dish that combines flavors from two different cuisines.

Type user query here. (Shift + Enter for new line)

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5. Create a new Deployment Model and Deploy the model you need in that section by selecting the model and version.

Step 4: Create an APIM:

1. Go to API Management services and create APIM:

Name	Status	Tier	Platform	Type	Location	Resource group	Size
apim-swedencentral-poc	Online	Consumption	mtv1	API Management service	Sweden Central	apim_poc	F
apim-swedencentral-poc-st...	Online	Standard	stv2	API Management service	Sweden Central	apim_poc	F

Create API Management service

API Management service

Basics Monitor + secure Virtual network Managed identity Tags Review + install

Project details

Select the subscription to manage deployed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and manage all your resources.

Subscription * ⓘ

Free Trial

Resource group * ⓘ

apim_poc

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Instance details

Region * ⓘ

(US) East US

Resource name *

Organization name * ⓘ

Enter organization name

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Note: 1. Use standard tier to meet the requirements

2. Enable status of Managed identity section

Create API Management service

API Management service

Basics

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Virtual network

Managed identity

Tags

Review + install

A system assigned managed identity enables Azure resources to authenticate to cloud services (e.g., Azure Key Vault) without storing credentials in code. Once enabled, all necessary permissions can be granted via Azure role-based-access control. The lifecycle of this type of managed identity is tied to the lifecycle of this resource. Additionally, each resource (e.g., Virtual Machine) can only have one system assigned managed identity. [Learn more](#)

System assigned managed identity

Enable system assigned identity to grant the resource access to other existing resources.

Status



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Step 5: Authenticating Azure OpenAI service with APIM using Managed identity

- Now after creating APIM go to the Azure openAI service's Access control and click on Add role assignment

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Azure Access control (IAM) interface for the 'apim-poc-azure-ai-project'. The 'Check access' tab is active. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like Overview, Activity log, and Access control (IAM). The main area has sections for 'My access' (with a 'View my access' button), 'Check access' (with a 'Check access' button), 'Grant access to this resource' (with a link to assign a role), and 'View access to this resource' (with a link to view roles for other users).

- Add Cognitive Services OpenAI User(Built in) role:

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Add role assignment ...

Job function roles Privileged administrator roles

Grant access to Azure resources based on job function, such as the ability to create virtual machines.

Name ↑↓	Description ↑↓	Type ↑↓	Category ↑↓
Cognitive Services Data Contributor (Preview)	Allows to call data plane APIs, but no...	BuiltInRole	No
Cognitive Services Data Reader	Lets you read Cognitive Services data.	BuiltInRole	Pre
Cognitive Services OpenAI User	Ability to view files, models, deploym...	BuiltInRole	No
Cognitive Services User	Lets you read and list keys of Cogniti...	BuiltInRole	AI

Showing 1 - 4 of 4 results.

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Note:

- (1) Assign access to Managed identity
- (2) Select the APIM according to the image below

The screenshot shows the 'Add role assignment' interface in the Azure portal. The 'Members' tab is selected. A 'Selected role' of 'Cognitive Services OpenAI User' is chosen. Under 'Assign access to', the 'Managed identity' option is selected. A modal window titled 'Select managed identities' is displayed, showing a subscription dropdown for 'Free Trial' and a 'Managed identity' dropdown showing 'All system-assigned managed identities (1)'. The selected identity is 'apim-swedencentral-poc-std-002'. The 'Selected members' section is empty.

Step 6: Go to API's Section of the APIM and Import OpenAPI(Swagger) documentation for the specific model and version you are using

Download the json file from below link and upload it in the next step (This is for openai gpt-4o model)

Ref: https://github.com/HoussemDellai/ai-course/blob/main/300_apim_genai_openai/openapi-AzureOpenAI-2024-10-21-.json

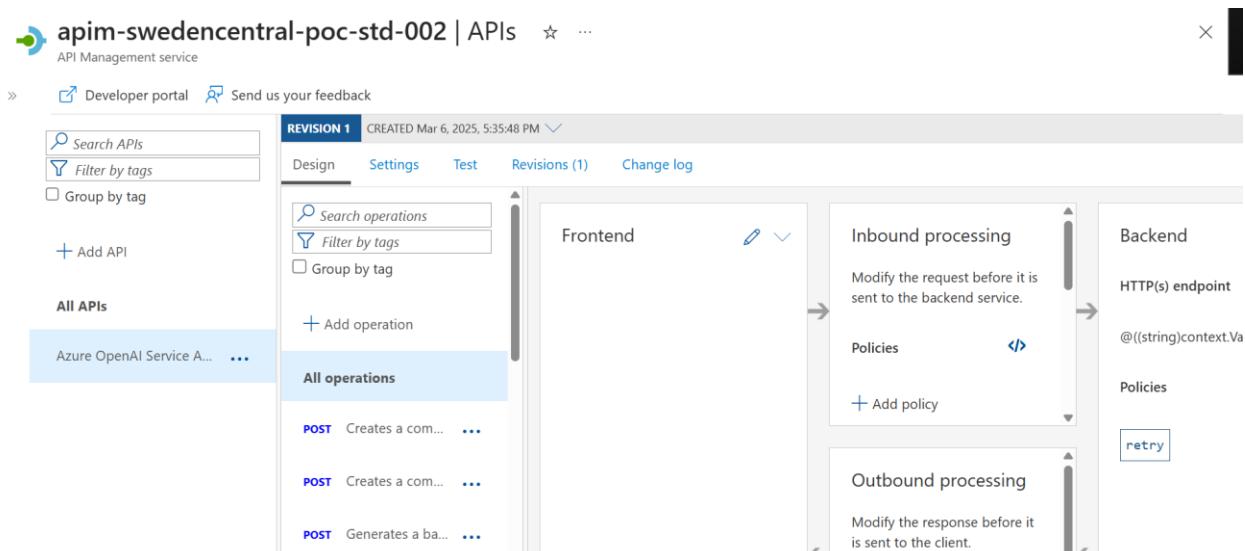
The screenshot shows the APIM service 'apim-swedencentral-poc-std-002' in the Azure portal. The 'APIs' tab is selected in the left sidebar. At the bottom right, there is a 'Create from definition' section with two options: 'OpenAPI' (Standard, language-agnostic interface to REST APIs) and 'WADL' (Standard XML representation of your RESTful API).

Note: Add a suffix for your APIM URL endpoint.

The screenshot shows the 'Create from OpenAPI specification' dialog. At the top, there are tabs for 'Basic' (selected) and 'Full'. Below that, there are fields for 'OpenAPI specification' (with a URL input field containing `https://`), 'Display name' (GPT endpoints), 'Name' (gpt-endpoints), and 'API URL suffix' (openai). There is also a checked checkbox for 'Include required query parameters in operation templates'. A 'Base URL' field contains `http(s)://apim-swedencentral-poc-std-002.azure-api.net/openai`. At the bottom right are 'Create' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Step 7: Configuring APIM's API section:

1. Go to the API which was just imported and go to the design section



2. Go to the policy in the inbound processing and add the below policy

```

<policies>
  <inbound>
    <base />
    <rate-limit-by-key calls="100" renewal-period="10" counter-key="@((context.RequestIpAddress))" />
    <set-variable name="backendArray" value="@(
      new JArray(
        "https://ai-services-eastus-demo-prod.cognitiveservices.azure.com/openai",
        "https://ai-services-eastus-demo-prod-002.cognitiveservices.azure.com/openai",
        "https://apim-poc-azure-ai-project.openai.azure.com/openai"
      )
    )" />
    <set-variable name="backendIndex" value="@{
      var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
      return (int)(DateTime.UtcNow.Ticks % backends.Count);
    }" />
    <set-variable name="backendSelection" value="@{
      var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
      return (string)backends[(int)context.Variables["backendIndex"]];
    }" />
    <set-backend-service base-url="@((string)context.Variables["backendSelection"])>
      <authentication-managed-identity resource="https://cognitiveservices.azure.com/" />
    </set-backend-service>
  </inbound>
</policies>

```

Policy used (Replace your backend URL's in the JArray section):

```

<policies>
  <inbound>
    <base />
    <rate-limit-by-key calls="100" renewal-period="10" counter-key="@((context.RequestIpAddress))" />
    <set-variable name="backendArray" value="@(
      new JArray(
        "https://ai-services-eastus-demo-prod.cognitiveservices.azure.com/openai",
        "https://ai-services-eastus-demo-prod-002.cognitiveservices.azure.com/openai",
        "https://apim-poc-azure-ai-project.openai.azure.com/openai"
      )
    )" />
    <set-variable name="backendIndex" value="@{
      var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
      return (int)(DateTime.UtcNow.Ticks % backends.Count);
    }" />
    <set-variable name="backendSelection" value="@{
      var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
      return (string)backends[(int)context.Variables["backendIndex"]];
    }" />
    <set-backend-service base-url="@((string)context.Variables["backendSelection"])>
      <authentication-managed-identity resource="https://cognitiveservices.azure.com/" />
    </set-backend-service>
  </inbound>
</policies>

```

```

}" />

<set-variable name="backendSelection" value="@{
    var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
    return (string)backends[(int)context.Variables["backendIndex"]];
}" />

<set-backend-service base-url="@((string)context.Variables["backendSelection"])" />
<authentication-managed-identity resource="https://cognitiveservices.azure.com"
output-token-variable-name="msi-access-token" ignore-error="false" />

<set-header name="Authorization" exists-action="override">
    <value>@("Bearer " + (string)context.Variables["msi-access-token"])</value>
</set-header>

</inbound>

<backend>

    <retry condition="@((context.Response == null || context.Response.StatusCode == 500
|| context.Response.StatusCode == 429 || context.Response.StatusCode != 200)"
count="20" interval="1">

        <forward-request timeout="@((100 +
(context.Variables.ContainsKey("retryCount") ?
(int)context.Variables["retryCount"] * 100 : 0)))" buffer-request-body="true" />

        <set-variable name="backendIndex" value="@{
            var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
            return ((int)context.Variables["backendIndex"] + 1) % backends.Count;
        }" />

        <set-variable name="backendSelection" value="@{
            var backends = (JArray)context.Variables["backendArray"];
            return (string)backends[(int)context.Variables["backendIndex"]];
        }" />

```

```

<set-backend-service base-url="@((string)context.Variables["backendSelection"])" />

</retry>

</backend>

<outbound>

<base />

<set-header name="X-Selected-Backend" exists-action="override">

<value>@((string)context.Variables["backendSelection"])</value>

</set-header>

</outbound>

<on-error>

<base />

</on-error>

</policies>

```

3. Specify the header and query parameter name and enable the checkbox (This will be used while making an API call)

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Subscription

Subscription required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Header name	api-key
Query parameter name	api-key

All APIs

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Step 8: Subscription Key Creation

1. Create a subscription key in the Subscription section of APIs under APIM

The screenshot shows the Azure API Management service interface. On the left, there's a navigation sidebar with options like Tags, Diagnose and solve problems, Events, Settings, APIs, Workspaces, APIs, Products, Subscriptions, Named values, Backends, Policy fragments, API Tags, and Schemas. The 'Subscriptions' option is selected. The main area shows a list of existing subscriptions with columns for Display name, Primary key, Secondary key, and Scope. A modal window titled 'New subscription' is open on the right, prompting for a Name (Testing), Display name (Testing), and Scope (API). Other fields include API (Azure OpenAI Service API(Custom p...)), Product (dropdown), User (Administrator (Shreeraj.Shetty@Rel...)), and Send notification for (Do not send).

2. Retrieve the key and copy

This screenshot shows the same 'Subscriptions' page as above, but with a context menu open over the last row of the table. The menu is titled 'Show/hide keys' and includes options: Activate subscription, Submit subscription, Suspend subscription, Reject subscription, Cancel subscription, Delete subscription, Regenerate primary key, and Regenerate secondary key. The menu has a dropdown arrow pointing to the right.

Step 9: Testing

This Apim's performance can be tested using Apache benchmark docker image

Run the below Docker command:

```
docker run --rm -v <Path to your payload file>:/data jordi/ab -n 10 -c 10 -l -T  
"application/json" -H "api-key: <your-subscription-key>" -p /data/apim-body.json -v 2 -  
e /data/apim-errors.csv -g /data/apim-results.tsv https://apim-swedencentral-poc-std-002.azure-api.net/openai/deployments/gpt-4o/chat/completions?api-version=2024-08-01-preview
```

Note:

-n represents the number of requests

-c represents the concurrency

That means in every second c number of requests are sent parallelly.

Step 10: Checking the logs

Go to the Monitoring section of the APIM and query to get the logs.

Query:

1. To get the Details:

```
ApiManagementGatewayLogs
```

```
| where TimeGenerated > ago(1d)
```

```
| where IsRequestSuccess == true
```

```
| where ResponseCode == 200
```

```
| project TimeGenerated, BackendUrl| top 10 by TimeGenerated desc
```

2. To get the Count of the Requests hit to particular Backend:

```
ApiManagementGatewayLogs
| where TimeGenerated > ago(1d)
| where IsRequestSuccess == true
| where ResponseCode == 200
| project TimeGenerated, BackendUrl
| top 50 by TimeGenerated desc // Fetch last 30 requests
| summarize HitCount = count() by BackendUrl
| order by HitCount desc
```