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# Deep Learning APIs

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# Scenarios

Emotion detection  
at retail displays

Facial identification to  
find missing children

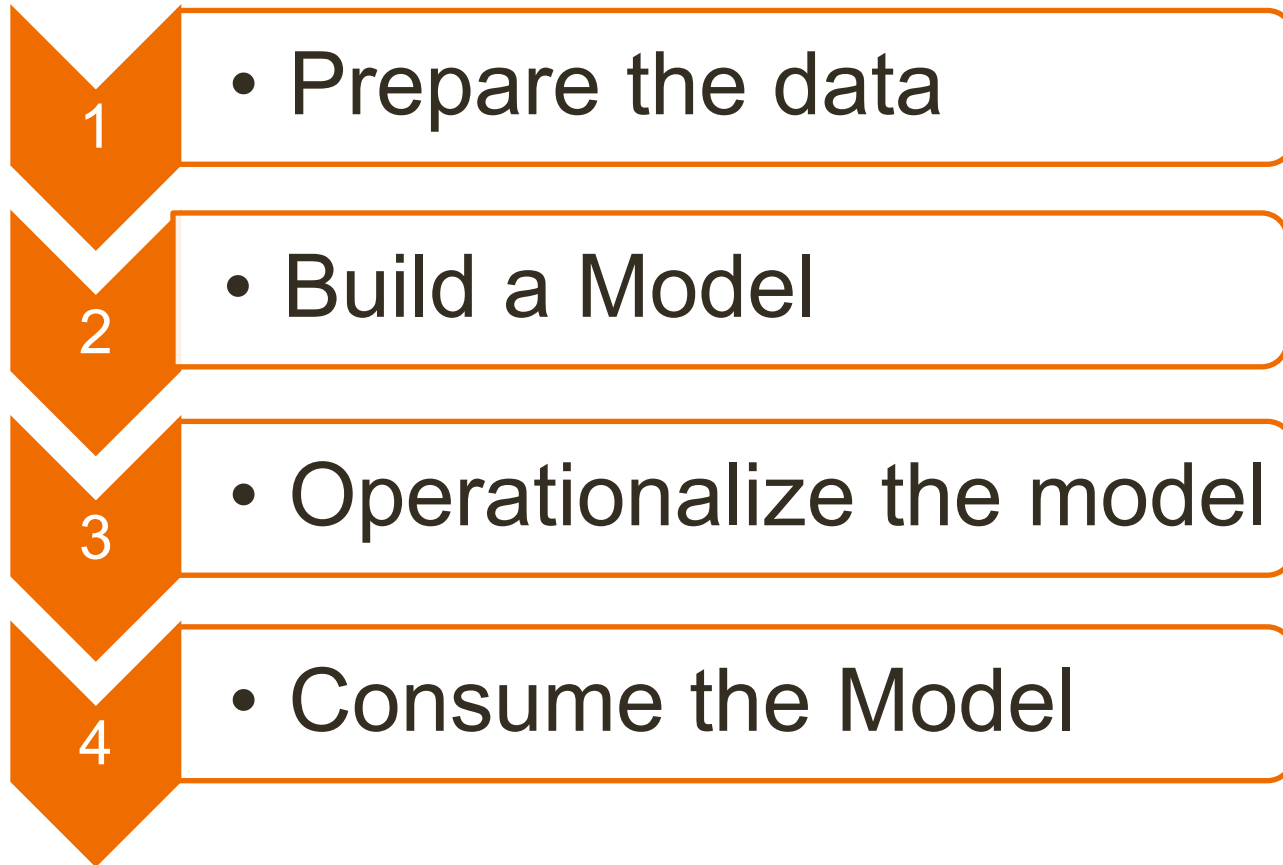
Sentiment analysis  
to learn how  
customers feel

Facial detection  
to calculate the  
male/female ratio  
at a nightclub

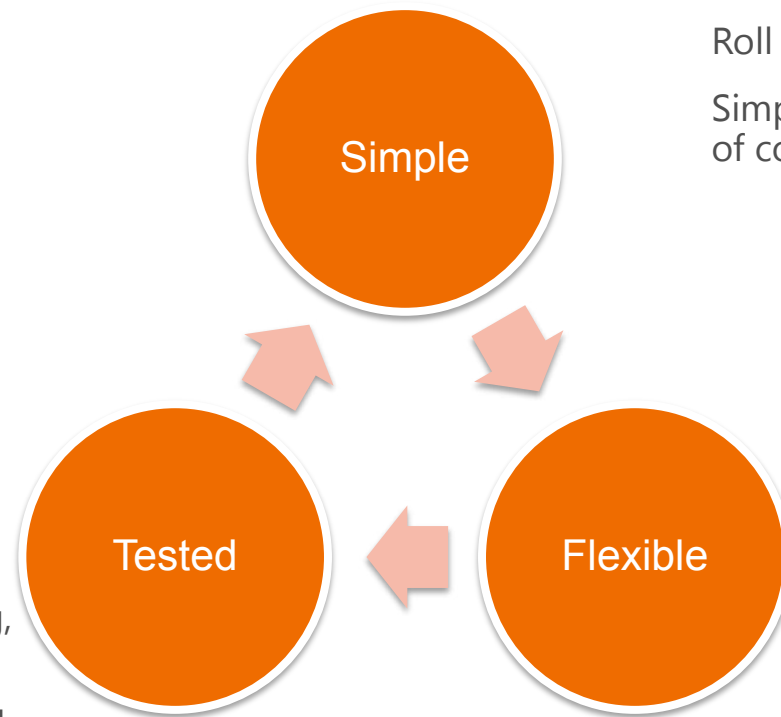
Language  
understanding to allow  
automated support  
bots to understand  
natural language

Object recognition to  
enable a blind person  
to read a menu

# Approach



# Cognitive Services :Key Tenets



Roll your own with REST APIs

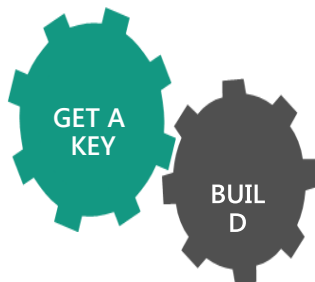
Simple to add: just a few lines of code required

Integrate into the language and platform of your choice with C#, Java, Python etc.

Breadth of offerings helps you find the right API for your app

Built by experts in their field from Microsoft Research, Bing, and Azure Machine Learning

Quality documentation, sample code, and community support



# Microsoft Cognitive Services



## Vision

- From faces to feelings, allow s apps to understand images and video



## Speech

- Hears and speaks to users by filtering noise, identifying speakers, and understanding intent



## Language

- Processes text and learn how to recognize what users want



## Knowledge

- Tap into rich knowledge amassed from the web, academia, or your own data



## Search

- Access billions of web pages, images, videos, and news with the power of Bing APIs

# How do I consume the APIs

## Narrow the choices

- Based on the type of input Data – e.g. for text data, use service that take text as input
- In case you need to train a model with data you provide to improve the performance and accuracy

## Getting Started

- Create an Azure account
- Under Market Place, click AI + Machine Learning
- Choose the service
- Start with the service providing necessary details for your account
- In the end use the Endpoint URL in the Overview section and keys in the Keys section to start making API calls in your applications.

## References

- <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/cognitive-services/cognitive-services-apis-create-account>
- <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/cognitive-services/>

# Example of an API call

- Get a subscription Key
- We take the **Face - Detect** method from the Vision API to detect faces in an image and return face attributes

## Code

```
import requests
from PIL import Image
from io import BytesIO

subscription_key = "<Subscription Key>"
assert subscription_key
face_api_url =
'https://westcentralus.api.cognitive.microsoft.com/face/v1.0/detect'

image_url = 'https://how-old.net/Images/faces2/main007.jpg'

headers = {'Ocp-Apim-Subscription-Key': subscription_key}
params = {
    'returnFaceId': 'true',
    'returnFaceLandmarks': 'false',
    'returnFaceAttributes':
'age,gender,headPose,smile,facialHair,glasses,' +
'emotion,hair,makeup,occlusion,accessories,blur,exposure,noise'
}
data = {'url': image_url}
response = requests.post(face_api_url, params=params,
headers=headers, json=data)
faces = response.json()
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## Output

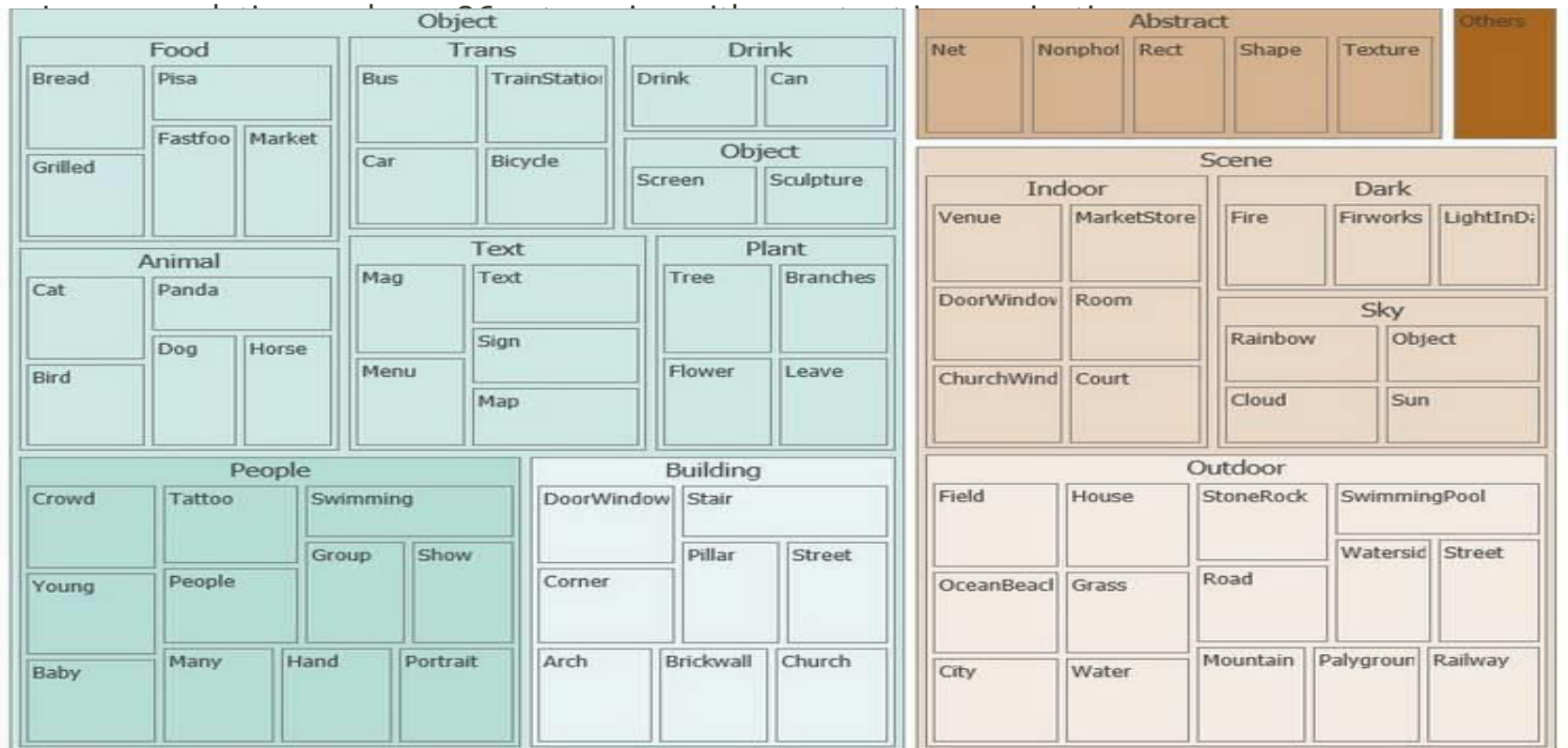
Response is in json as  
attached:



Microsoft Office  
Word Document

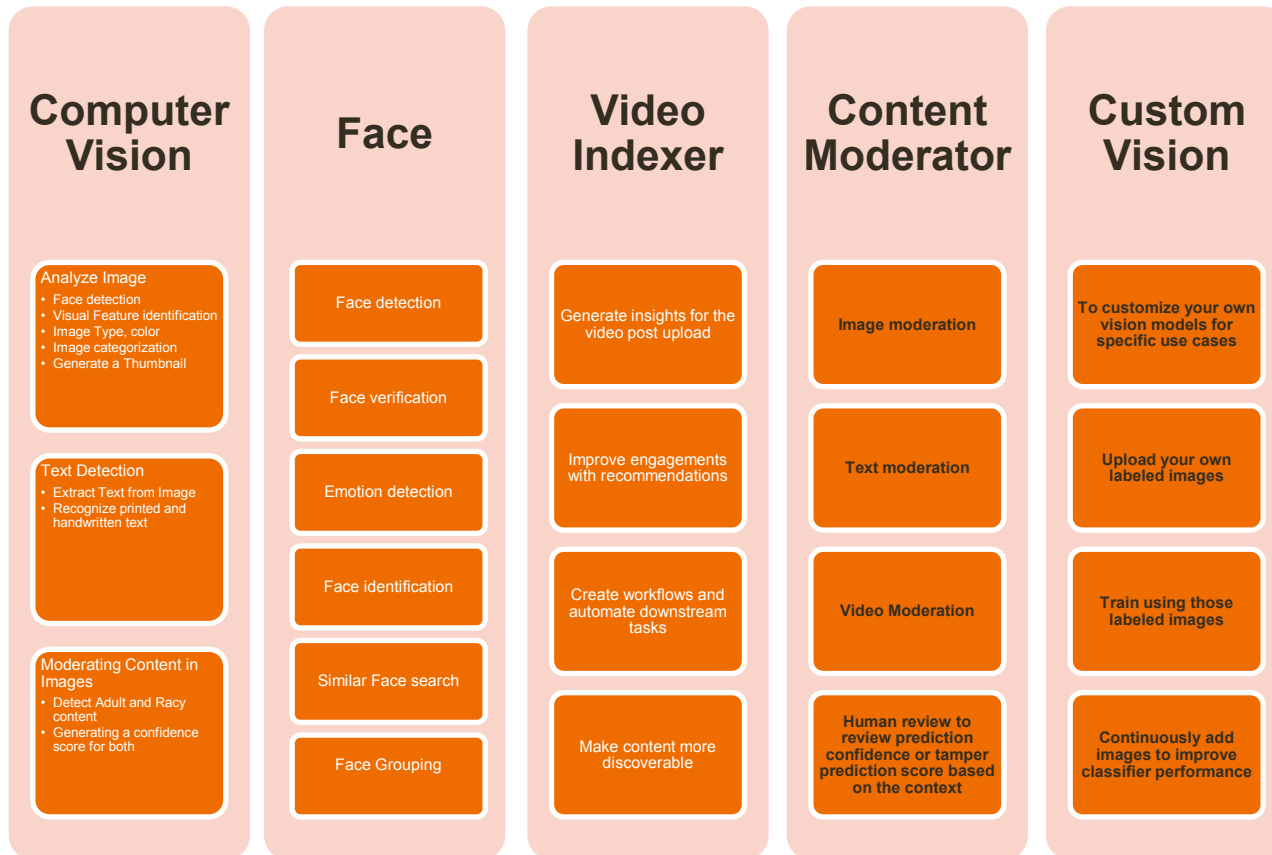
# Vision APIs

- The cloud-based Computer Vision API provides developers with access to advanced algorithms for processing images and returning information. By uploading an image or specifying an image URL, Microsoft Computer Vision algorithms can analyze visual content in different ways based on inputs and user choices. SDKs are available for : [Windows](#), [Node.js](#), [Python](#), [Go](#), [Android](#), [Swift](#)





# Vision API Capabilities



# Speech API capabilities

- Enables the integration of speech processing capabilities into any app or service.
- Convert spoken language into text or produce natural sounding speech from text using standard (or customizable) voice fonts

## Speech to Text

Speech recognition and transcription

Create custom models for user's vocabulary and speaking style

Adapt to user's environment with custom background models

Personalised speech recognition on top of existing models

## Text to Speech

Convert text to speech in near real time in more than 75 voices in over 45 languages

Record and upload training data and the service creates a unique voice font tuned to your recording

Deploy customized voice model to the API

## Speaker recognition

### Speaker Verification

- Trainable model
- Register a user voice with the service
- start the verification

### Speaker Identification

- Trainable API
- Input audio of the unknown speaker is paired against a group of selected speakers and in the case there is a match found, the speaker's identity is returned.

## Speech Translation

Easy translation to and from 10 languages with Rest APIs

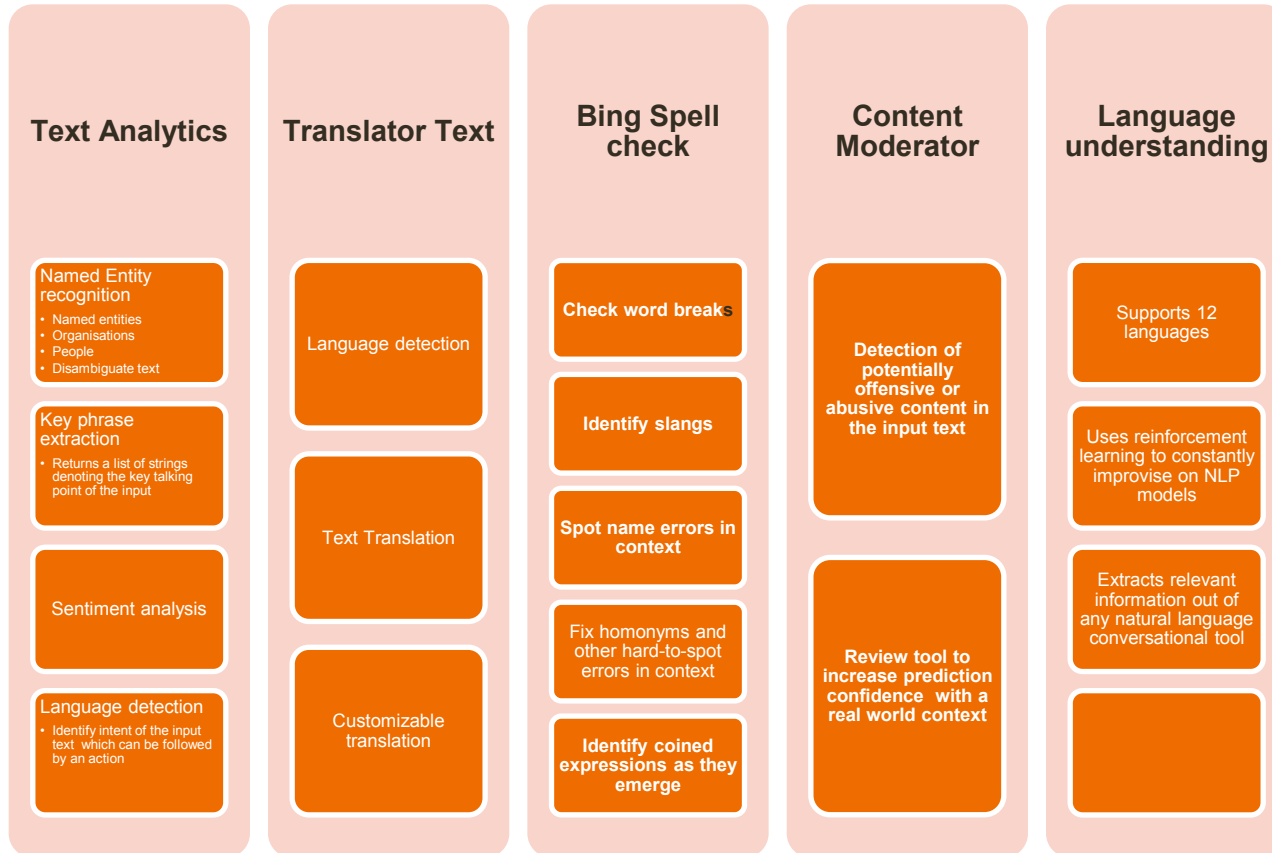
Translation of real life conversation

Build customized speech translation system

# Knowledge API capabilities

- Leverage or create rich knowledge resources that can be integrated into apps and services with Knowledge services
  - Make intelligent recommendations
  - Semantic Search
- QnA maker
  - QnA extraction from unstructured text
  - Knowledge base creation from collections of Q&As
  - Semantic matching for knowledge bases

# Language API capabilities



# Search API capabilities

## WebSearch And AutoSuggest

Returns location aware search results

Choose intent of Search – Adult or no

Spelling corrected search with recommendations for similar queries

Azure add in for statistics

## Visual Search

Search Visually similar content, extract barcodes or textual information and generate insights

Create product recommendations for visually similar products for the domain in context

Identify image content to recognize celebrities, monuments, search similar content etc.

## Custom Search

Define parts of the web that you would want to draw search results from

Tailored search to drive the outcome needed with autosuggest

Ad free searches with integration with statistics ad on

## Entity Search

Customize search for named entity viz a viz celebrities, products, monuments, local businesses etc.

Knowledge acquisition for named entities

## Video and Image Search

Retrieve video and image search results harnessing the metadata on the content. The metadata includes machine generated insights(related content, visually similar etc.)

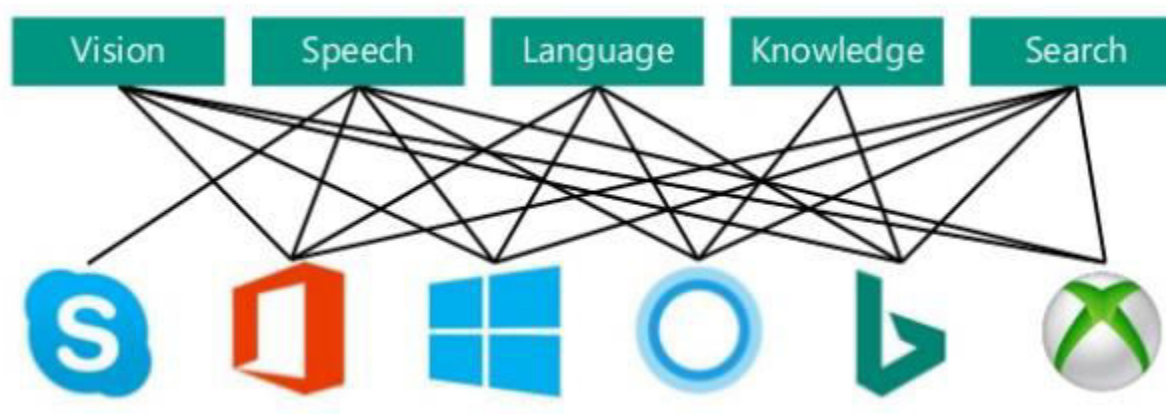
Thumbnail preview with feed for trending content

## News Search

Search fro news articles with details like authoritative image of the news article, related news and categories, provider info, article URL and date added

Categorize searches by topics e.g. Sports, politics and customize the trending news from around the world by region and category

# API Implementations



**TechnologyOne** built a bot translation system to help international students talk to universities using LUIS

Detailed case study on implementation:

<https://microsoft.github.io/techcasestudies/bot%20framework/cognitive%20services/2017/06/13/TechnologyOneEducationBot.html>

**Black Radley and the Shrewsbury Museum & Art Gallery** uses Cognitive Services Face API to create a solution that would react to museum patrons as they interact with exhibits based upon their approximate age, gender, and emotional state. Additionally, the solution would provide detailed insight on how patrons traverse the museum, which exhibits they linger at, and for how long

<https://microsoft.github.io/techcasestudies/cognitive%20services/2017/08/04/BlackRadley.html>

**Equadex** uses Cognitive Services capabilities to help people with language and speech disorders. Their system, Helpicto provides a solution to help children with autism to communicate more easily with their environment, based on pictograms and associated keywords.

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# Demo

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# Natural Language Processing Service

- Amazon Comprehend NLP
- Google Cloud Natural Language
- IBM Watson NLU
- Microsoft Azure Text Analytics

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Comprehend	Google Cloud Natural Language	MS Azure Text Analytics	IBM Watson NLU
Entity Extraction	✓	✓	✓	✓
Key Phrase Extraction	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sentiment Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓
Syntax Analysis		✓	✓	

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Comprehend	Google Cloud Natural Language	MS Azure Text Analytics	IBM Watson NLU
Topic Modeling	✓	✓		
Multiple Language Support	✓	✓	✓	✓
Parts of Speech	✓	✓	✓	

# Performance Comparison

Criteria	Amazon Comprehend	Google Cloud Natural Language	MS Azure Text Analytics	IBM Watson NLU
Execution Time	0:00:03.453	0:00:10.969	0:00:12:062	0:00:02.063

Source: <https://goo.gl/jVyoPR>

# Price Comparison

# Vision APIs

- Amazon Rekognition
- Google Vision
- IBM Watson Visual
- Azure Computer Vision API

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Rekognition	Google Vision	Azure Computer Vision	IBM Watson Visual Recognition
Object Detection	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scene Detection	✓	✓	✓	✓
Facial Recognition	✓		✓	✓
Flag Inappropriate Content	✓	✓	✓	

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Rekognition	Google Vision	Azure Computer Vision	IBM Watson Visual Recognition
Facial Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓
Celebrity Recognition	✓	✓	✓	
Logo Detection		✓		
Text Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓



# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Rekognition	Google Vision	Azure Computer Vision	IBM Watson Visual Recognition
Web Detection		✓		
Landmark Detection	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dominant Colors Detection		✓	✓	
Thumbnail Generation			✓	

# Performance Comparison

Criteria	Amazon Rekognition	Google Vision	Azure Computer Vision
Execution Time	0:00:15.625	0:00:13.343	0:00:04:484

Source: <https://goo.gl/jVyoPR>

# Price Comparison

# Processing Text and Speech

- Amazon Polly
- Microsoft Bing Text-to-Speech
- IBM Watson Text-to-Speech

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon polly	Microsoft Bing Text-to-Speech	IBM Watson Text-to- Speech
SSML	✓	✓	✓
Multiple Language	✓	✓	✓
Formats	Mp3, Vorbis, PCM	WAV	FLAC, MP3, MPEG, PCM, WAV

# Processing Speech-to-Text

- Amazon Lex
- Google Cloud Speech API
- Microsoft Bing Speech-to-Text
- IBM Watson Speech-to-Text

# Feature Comparison

Features	Amazon Lex	Google Cloud Speech API	Microsoft Bing Speech-to-Text	IBM Watson Speech-to-Text
Automatic Speech Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
Multiple Language		✓	✓	✓
Noisy Accuracy		✓		

# Performance Comparison

Criteria	Google Cloud Speech API	Microsoft Bing Speech-to-Text	IBM Watson Speech-to-Text
Execution Time	0:00:15.422	0:00:14.549	0:03:30:234

Source: <https://goo.gl/jVyoPR>



# Price Comparison