**Prerequisites for Lab**

A laptop and an active Azure subscription are required in order to work through the labs.

If the existing azure subscription does not work, a workaround would be to spin up a trial with your credit card but please note that trial accounts have restrictions and not all services can be used.

You can find more about trial accounts here: <https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/free/free-account-faq/>

You will want to make sure you have the appropriate set of rights in that subscription to instantiate below services:

* Create an Azure Databricks workspace and spin up a cluster from within the workspace

*For more information, refer*: <https://docs.azuredatabricks.net/getting-started/try-databricks.html>  and <https://docs.azuredatabricks.net/getting-started/quick-start.html>

* Create resources for Computer Vision API, Custom Vision API, Language Understanding (LUIS) API, Bing Speech API,  Text Analytics API
* Create a Data Science Virtual Machine
* Create Blob Storage and Azure Data Lake Store
* Create SQL Server Database

In addition, a prerequisite is to setup your login for <https://notebooks.azure.com/> with your existing azure account (preferred) or personal account.

You might want to pre-install Azure storage explorer to access blob storage <https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/features/storage-explorer/>