

# Overview of NLP Services in Azure

# Azure Cognitive Services

Services	Pre-trained Models	Custom Models	Description
Text Analytics	X		Detect sentiment, key phrases, and named entities
Speech – Speech-to-Text (Speech Recognition)	x	x	Transcribe audible speech into readable, searchable text
Speech – Text-to-Speech (Speech Synthesis)	x	x	Convert text to lifelike speech for more natural interfaces
Speech – Speech-Translation	X		Integrate real-time speech translation into your apps
Translator	X	X	Detect and translate more than 90 supported languages
Language Understanding	X	X	Build natural language understanding into apps, bots, and IoT devices



# Text Analytics Service – Language Detection

#### Review #1

Fantastic castle and beautiful gardens Larnach Castle, Dunedin, New Zealand 16/12/2015

This is a unique place with more than a hundred and forty years of history. It's called New Zealand's only Castle. It's a must-see place in Dunedin. We stayed a night. We really enjoyed our stay at Larnach Castle. Clean rooms, good service, amazing location with incredible views of the Otago Harbour. The dinner was fantastic. We also really enjoyed exploring the gardens and flowers. It's an unforgettable visit.

#### Review #2

梦幻般的城堡和美丽的花园 拉纳赫城堡,但尼丁,新西兰 16/12/2015

这是一个有着一百四十多年历史的独特地方。 它被称为新西兰唯一的城堡。 这是但尼丁必看的地方。 我们住了一晚。 我们真的很喜欢我们在拉纳赫城堡的住宿。 干净的房间,优质的服务,优越的地理位置,可欣赏到奥塔哥海港的壮丽景色。 晚餐很棒。 我们也非常喜欢探索花园和鲜花。 这是一次难忘的访问。

- Language: English

- Code: en

- Score: 1.0

- Language: Chinese Simplified

- Code: zh\_chs

- Score: 1.0

#### **Language Detection**

- Language name
- IETF BCP-47 language tag
- ISO 639-1 language code a two-letter lowercase abbreviation

#### Examples:

- en English
- es Spanish
- de German
- fr French
- hi Hindi
- ja Japanese
- ko Korean
- ru Russian
- zh Chinese
- Confidence score (0-1)

# Text Analytics Service – Language Detection

#### Review #3

C'est incroyable - Fantastic castle and beautiful gardens Larnach Castle, Dunedin, New Zealand 16/12/2015

This is a unique place with more than a hundred and forty years of history. It's called New Zealand's only Castle. C'est un endroit incontournable. We stayed a night. We really enjoyed our stay at Larnach Castle. Clean rooms, good service, amazing location with incredible views of the Otago Harbour. The dinner was fantastic. We also really enjoyed exploring the gardens and flowers. It's an unforgettable visit.

#### Mixture of English & French

- Language: English

- Code: en

- Score: 0.9642857313156128

#### country hint = 'us' Language: English with confidence: 54.00% aviation country hint = 'fr' French words Language: French with confidence: 100.00% commonly used in both English & French country hint = 'us' Language: English with confidence: 27.00% illusion country hint = 'fr' Language: French with confidence: 100.00% :-3 :-> 8-) :-} \*<|:-) Emoticons / Language: unknown with confidence: NaN Kaomoji faces (>\_<) (^\_^;) ^ ^ (?\_?)

#### Mixed-language content

 Returns predominant language

#### **Ambiguous content**

- Limited text or only punctuation
- countryHint parameter
- Default countryHint –
   'US' United States
- Language can't be detected
  - Name/code: unknown
  - Score: NaN (Not a number)

# Text Analytics Service – Sentiment Analysis

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Document Sentiment: positive

Overall scores: positive=0.96; neutral=0.04; negative=0.00
```

#### Review #2

The Worst Hotel Ever The XXX Hotel 17/12/2015

The room was dirty and the service was terrible. Our experience at this hotel was really bad. We were shocked by the staff's unprofessional services. I won't recommend it to anyone. Don't make the same mistake like we did.

```
Document Sentiment: negative

Overall scores: positive=0.00; neutral=0.00; negative=1.00
```

#### **Sentiment Analysis**

Label

Positive: ≥ one positive sentence + reset neutral

**Negative**: ≥ one **negative** sentence + reset **neutral** 

**Neutral**: All neutral sentences

Mixed: ≥ one positive + ≥ one negative sentence (Document Level)

Confidence score

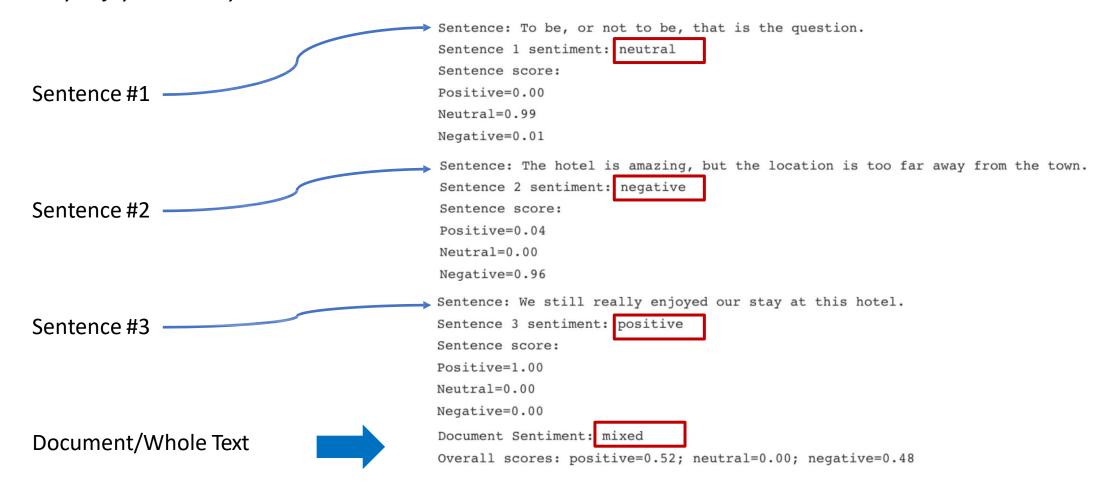


- Indeterminate Sentiment
  - No sufficient context or insufficient phrasing
  - Wrong language code

# Text Analytics Service – Sentiment Analysis

#### Text Sample:

"To be, or not to be, that is the question. The hotel is amazing, but the location is too far away from the town. We still really enjoyed our stay at this hotel."



# Text Analytics Service – Key Phrase Extraction

#### Review #1

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#### Key Phrases:

Larnach Castle Fantastic castle Dunedin New Zealand's beautiful gardens must-see place unique place amazing location incredible views good service Clean rooms Otago Harbour stay years of history unforgettable visit dinner flowers night

#### **Key Phrase Extraction**

List of main/key points

# Text Analytics Service – Entity Recognition

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- Location: Larnach Castle (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Larnach_Castle)
- Location: Dunedin (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dunedin)
- Location: New Zealand
- DateTime: 16/12/2015
- DateTime: more than a hundred and forty years
- Location: New Zealand (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Zealand)
- DateTime: night
- Location: Otago Harbour (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Otago_Harbour)
```

#### **Entity Recognition**

- Named Entity Recognition Category & Subcategories
  - Person: Names
  - PersonType: Job types or roles
  - Location
    - Geopolitical Entity (GPE) / Structural / Geographical
  - Organization
    - Medical / Stock exchange / Sports
  - Event
    - Cultural / Natural / Sports
  - Product
    - Computing products
  - Skill
  - Address
  - Phone number (US and EU phone numbers only)
  - Email
  - URL
  - IP
  - DateTime
    - Date / Time / DateRange / TimeRange / Duration / Set
  - Quantity
    - Number / Percentage / Ordinal numbers / Age / Currency / Dimensions / Temperature
- Entity Linking Wikipedia
- Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
- Health (PHI) (Preview)

# Text Analytics Service – Entity Recognition Sample

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Text Analytics API (v3.1)

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"text": "Dunedin",

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# **Analyzing Text**

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**Azure Text Analytics Service** 



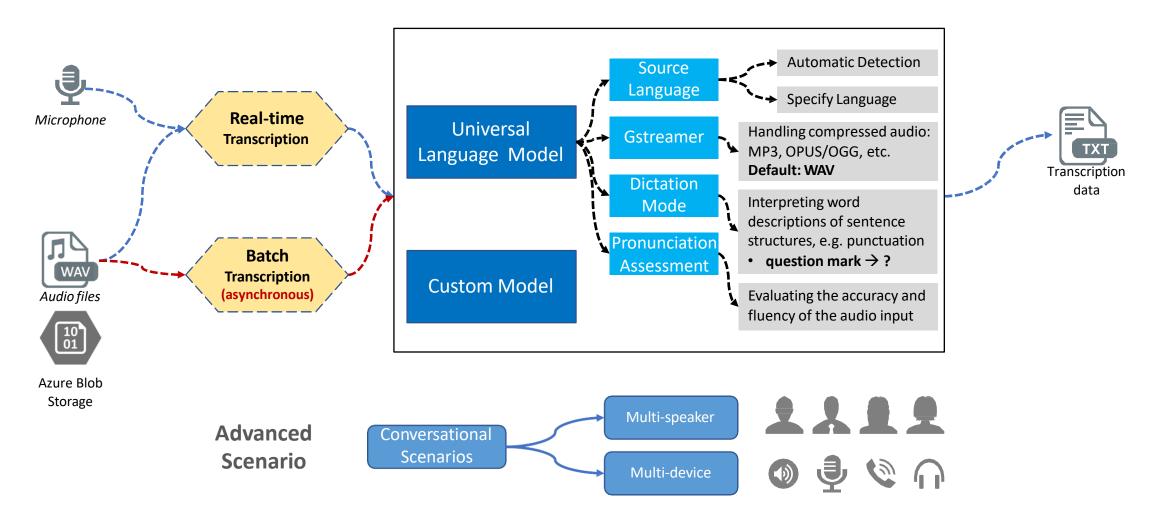
# Speech Recognition vs. Speech Synthesis

#### **Speech Recognition**

#### **Speech Synthesis**

Feature	Detect and interpret spoken input	Generate spoken output
Input	<ul> <li>Recorded voice audio file</li> <li>Live audio microphone</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Text to be spoken</li><li>Voice to be used to vocalize the speech</li></ul>
Process & Output	audio signal  phonemes  phonemes  u ai ee igh  up rain knee light  words	individual phonetic sounds phonetic transcription prosodic units (phrases, clauses, sentences)  audio signal Voice (pitch, timbre)
Use Cases	<ul> <li>Generating captions for recorded or live videos</li> <li>Creating transcripts of phone calls or meetings</li> <li>Automating note dictation</li> <li>Determining user's input for further processing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Generating spoken responses to user's input</li> <li>Creating telephone voice menus</li> <li>Reading email or text messages</li> <li>Broadcasting announcements in public areas</li> <li>Creating voices for extinct languages</li> </ul>

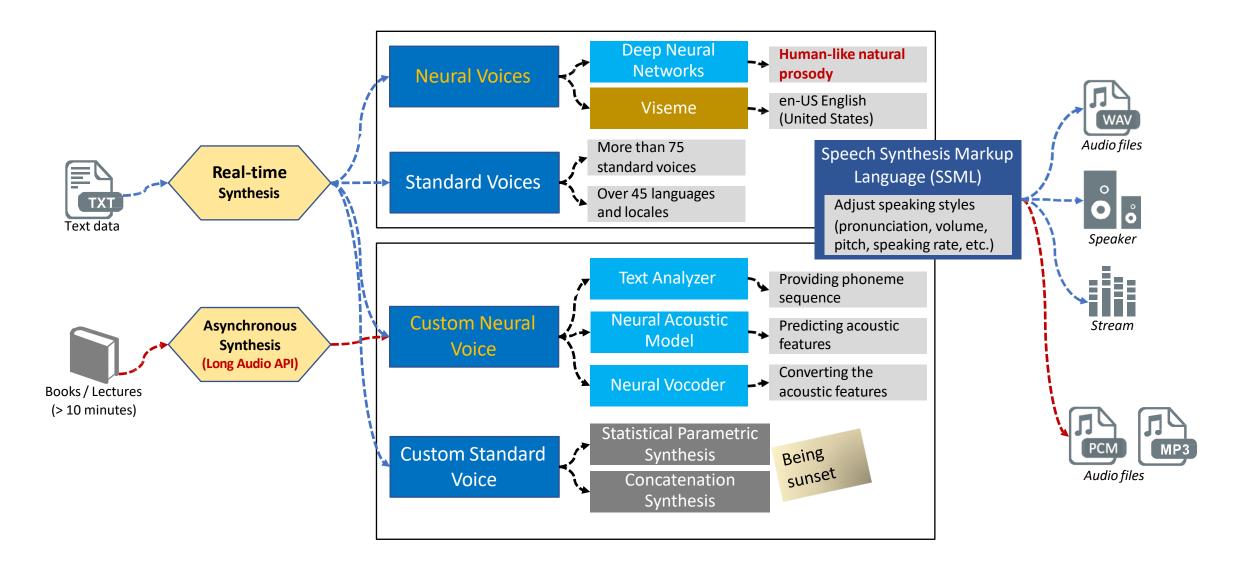
# Speech Recognition — Speech-to-Text Service Overview



Language Support:

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/cognitive-services/speech-service/language-support#speech-to-text

# Speech Synthesis – Text-to-Speech Service Overview



# Speech Service Samples

#### **Speech-to-Text**

Input Output



To be or not to be? That is the question. Whether TIS nobler in the mind to suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, or to take arms against a sea of troubles, and by opposing end them.

### **Text-to-Speech**

Input Output

To be, or not to be, that is the question: Whether tis nobler in the mind to suffer The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, Or to take arms against a sea of troubles And by opposing end them.



Standard Voice

# Recognizing & Synthesizing Text

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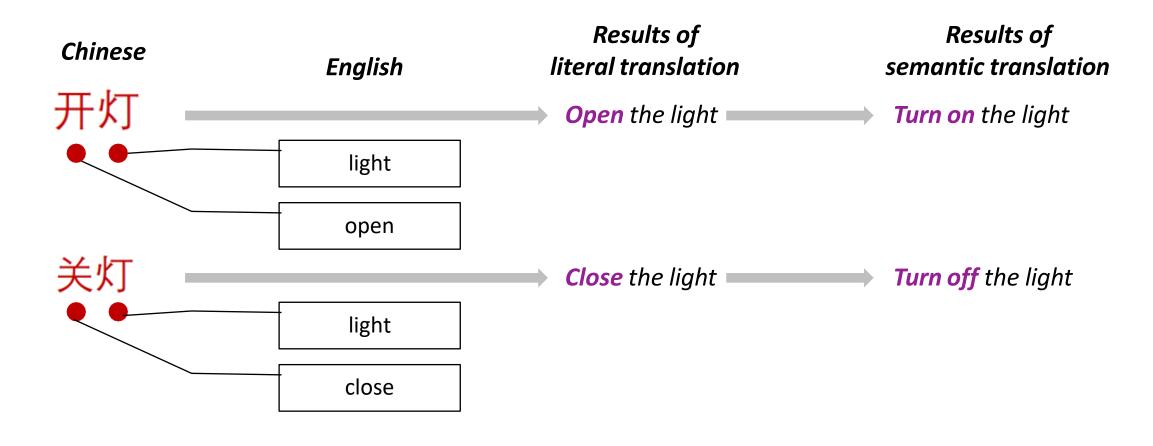
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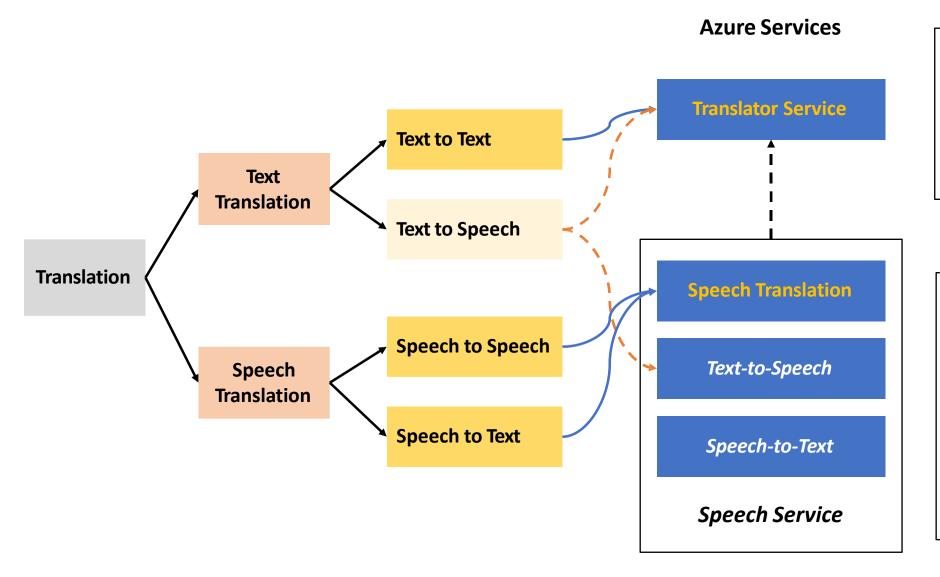
## Literal Translation vs. Semantic Translation

- Literal Translation
  - word-for-word translation

- Semantic Translation
  - using semantic context



## **Translation Services Overview**



#### **Use Cases:**

- Document translation
- Email translation
- Webpages translation
- Customer service translation at kiosks

#### **Use Cases:**

- Real-time closed captioning for recorded or live videos
- Simultaneous two-way translation of a spoken conversation
- Creating a transcript of a telephone call or meeting

# Translation Services – Translator Service Overview

#### Text-to-text translation

- Supports more than 90 languages and dialects
- Neural Machine Translation (NMT) replaces the legacy Statistical Machine Translation (SMT)
- Supporting Custom Translator to improve translations, e.g. industry terminology
- Multiple target languages translation
  - specify one *from* language
  - multiple **to** languages

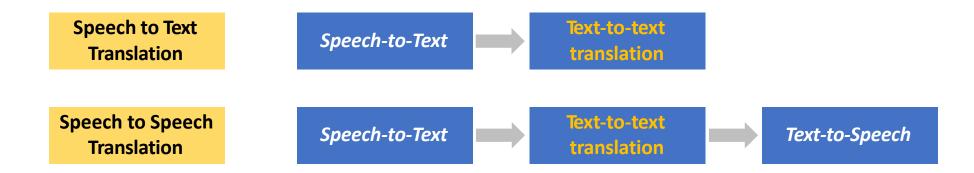
# Optional Configurations

- Profanity Filtering omitting profane text translation (default is disabled)
- Selective Translation content can be tagged so that it isn't translated
  - For example, brand names

#### Language Support:

# Translation Services – Speech Translation Service Overview

- Speech-to-text translation
- Speech-to-speech translation
- Translating speech to multiple target languages
  - Supports more than 60 languages and dialects in real-time
  - Speech recognition occurs before speech translation



# Translation Services – Translator Service Samples

#### **Source Language**

#### **Target Language**

Hello world! AI is the future! -> 世界您好! 人工智能就是未来!
-> Salut tout le monde! L'IA, c'est l'avenir !

**Option 1:** Specify source

'from': 'en-US'

**Option 2:** Language Detection

**Option 1:** Specify one target each time, translate twice

• 'to': 'zh-CN'

• 'to': 'fr'

**Option 2:** Specify multiple targets with a comma between the language codes, translate simultaneously

• 'to': 'zh-CN', 'fr'

# **Translating Text & Speech**

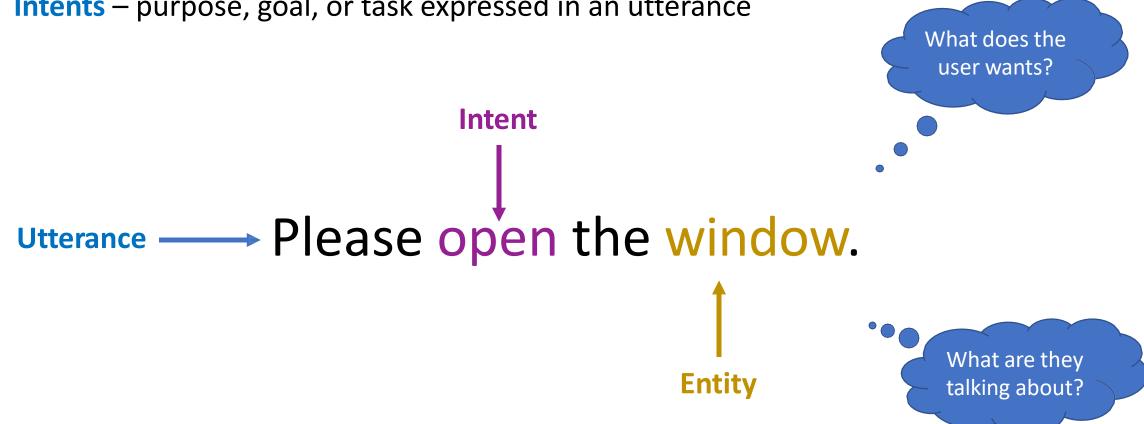
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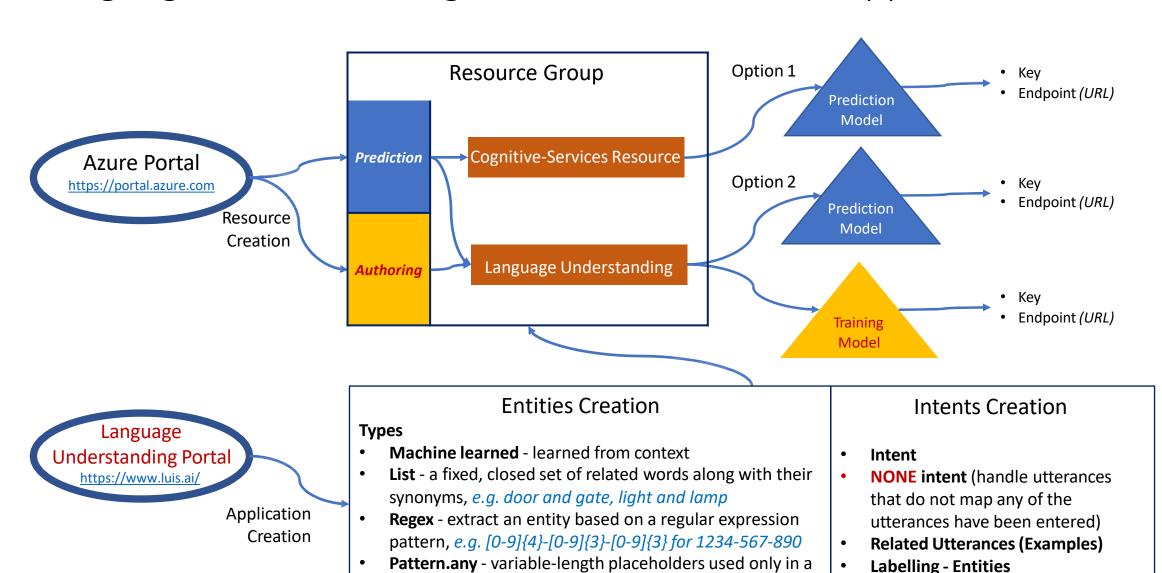


# Language Understanding Service – Language Understanding

- Utterances what sentences a user might say
- Entities an item to which an utterance refers
- Intents purpose, goal, or task expressed in an utterance



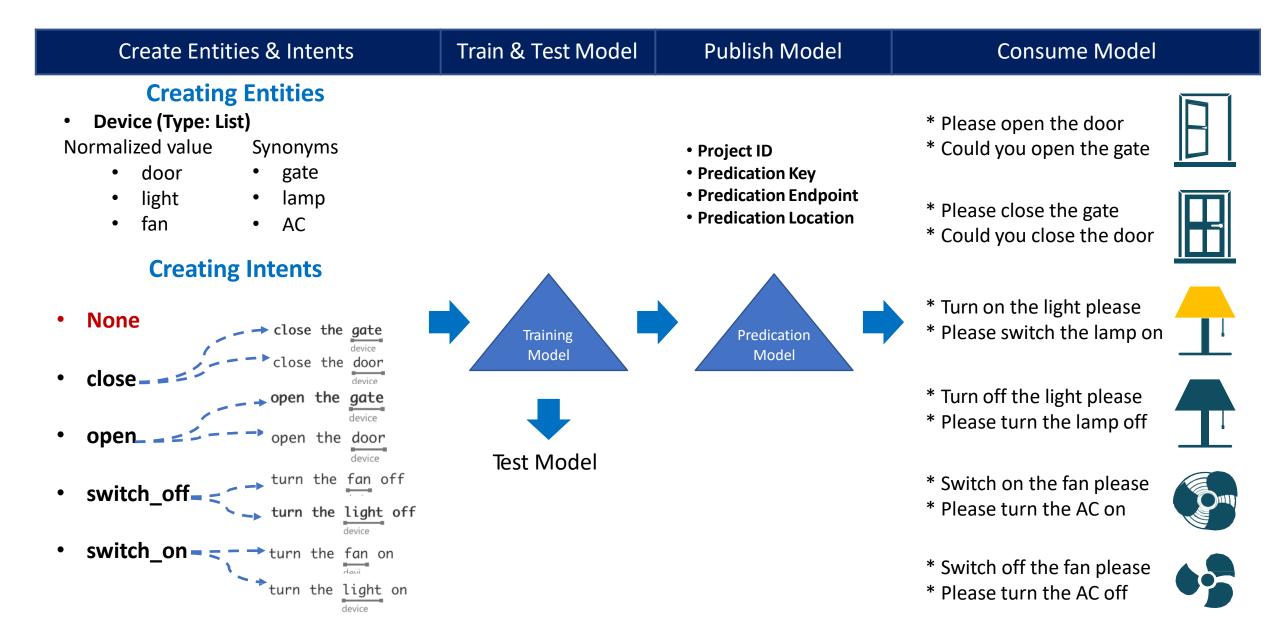
# Language Understanding Service – Resource & App Creation



pattern's template utterance to mark where entities begin

and end, e.g. Have you passed the {AI-900} exam[?]

# Language Understanding Service – LUIS Model Building Workflow



# Understanding Language

with

Azure Language Understanding Services



# NLP Summary

