



# Microsoft Azure AI Fundamentals: AI Overview



# Agenda

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- Fundamental AI concepts
- Fundamentals of machine learning
- Fundamentals of Azure AI services

# Learning Objectives

After completing this module, you will be able to:

- 1** Explain what AI is and understand the importance of responsible AI.
- 2** Understand the different types machine learning models.
- 3** Identify the AI services available on Azure, and what they are used for.



# Fundamental AI concepts

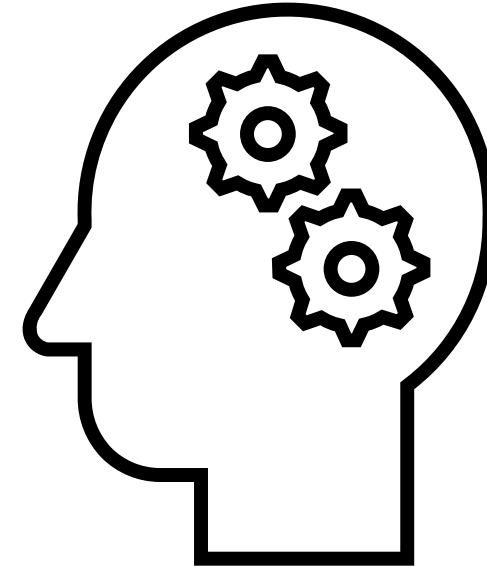




# What is Artificial Intelligence?







## Software that imitates human capabilities

- Predicting outcomes and recognizing patterns based on historic data.
- Recognizing abnormal events and making decisions.
- Interpreting visual input.
- Understanding language and engaging in conversations.
- Extracting information from sources to gain knowledge.











# Common AI workloads

	<b>Machine Learning</b>	Predictive models based on data and statistics – the foundation for AI.
	<b>Computer Vision</b>	Capabilities within AI to interpret the world visually through cameras, video, and images.
	<b>Natural Language Processing</b>	Capabilities within AI for a computer to interpret written or spoken language and respond appropriately.
	<b>Document Intelligence</b>	Capabilities within AI that deal with managing, processing, and using high volumes of data found in forms and documents.
	<b>Knowledge Mining</b>	Capabilities within AI to extract information from large volumes of often unstructured data to create a searchable knowledge store.
	<b>Generative AI</b>	Capabilities within AI that create original content in a variety of formats including natural language, image, code, and more.



# Principles of responsible AI

	Challenge or Risk	Example
 <b>Fairness</b>	Bias can affect results.	A loan-approval model discriminates by gender due to bias in the data with which it was trained.
 <b>Reliability &amp; safety</b>	Errors may cause harm.	An autonomous vehicle experiences a system failure and causes a collision.
 <b>Privacy &amp; security</b>	Private data could be exposed.	A medical diagnostic bot is trained using sensitive patient data, which is stored insecurely.
 <b>Inclusiveness</b>	Solutions may not work for everyone.	A predictive app provides no audio output for visually impaired users.
 <b>Transparency</b>	Users must trust a complex system.	An AI-based financial tool makes investment recommendations – what are they based on?
 <b>Accountability</b>	Who's liable for AI-driven decisions?	An innocent person is convicted of a crime based on evidence from facial recognition – who's responsible?

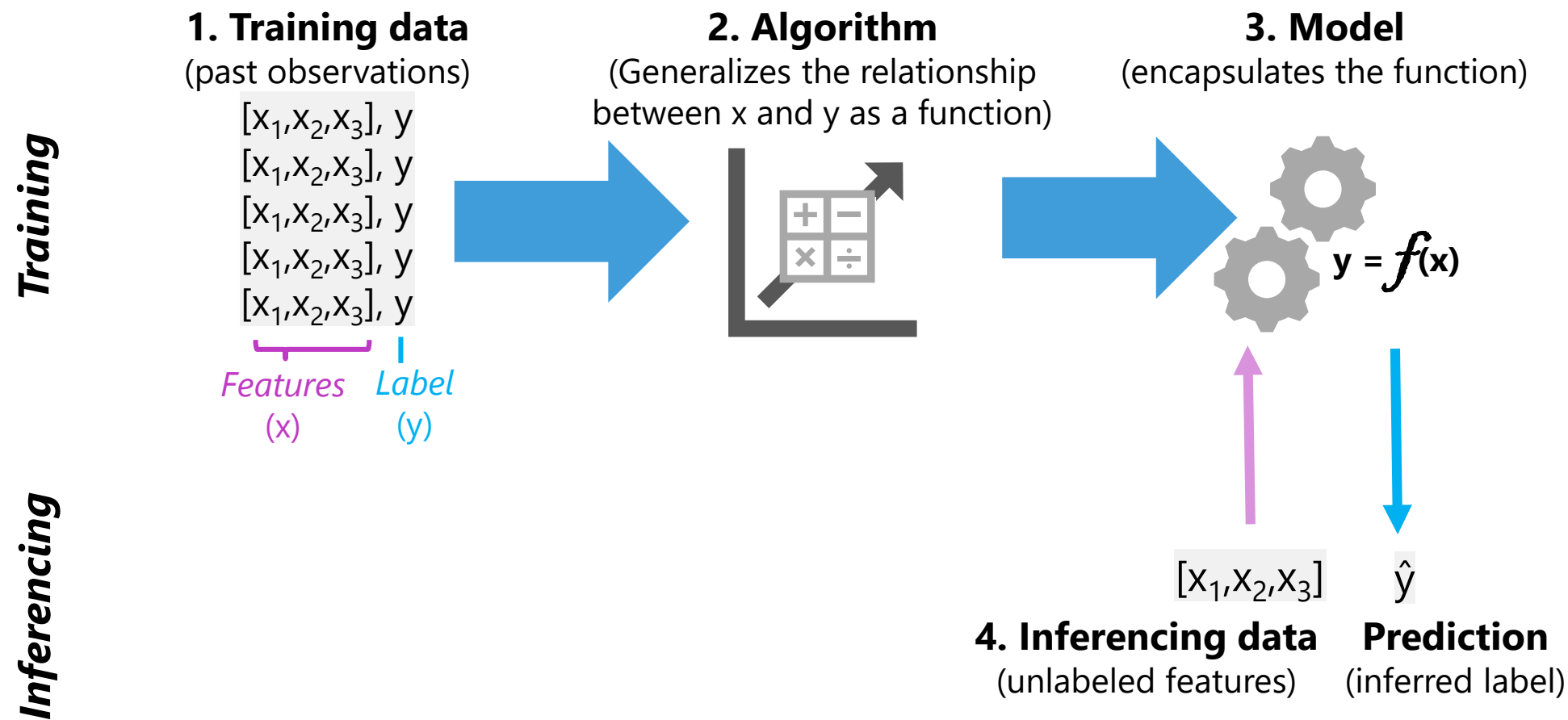
# Fundamentals of machine learning





# What is machine learning?

Creating predictive models by finding relationships in data



# Types of machine learning

## Machine Learning

### Supervised machine learning

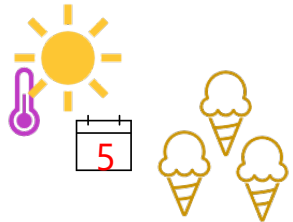
Training data includes known labels

### Unsupervised machine learning

Training data is unlabeled

#### Regression

Label is a numeric value



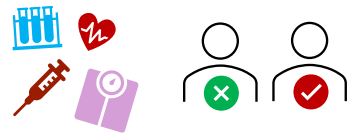
Predict the number of ice creams sold based on day, season, and weather

#### Classification

Label is a categorization (or *class*)

##### Binary classification

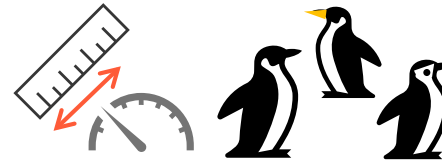
Label is *is* or *is not* a class



Predict whether a patient is at-risk for diabetes based on clinical data

##### Multiclass classification

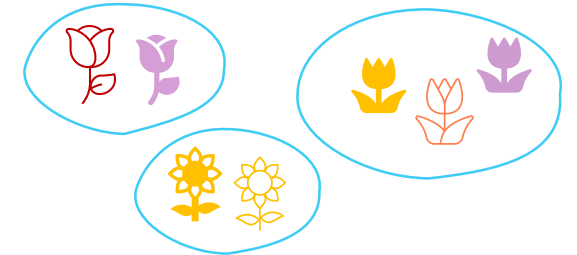
Label is one of multiple classes



Predict the species of a penguin based on its measurements

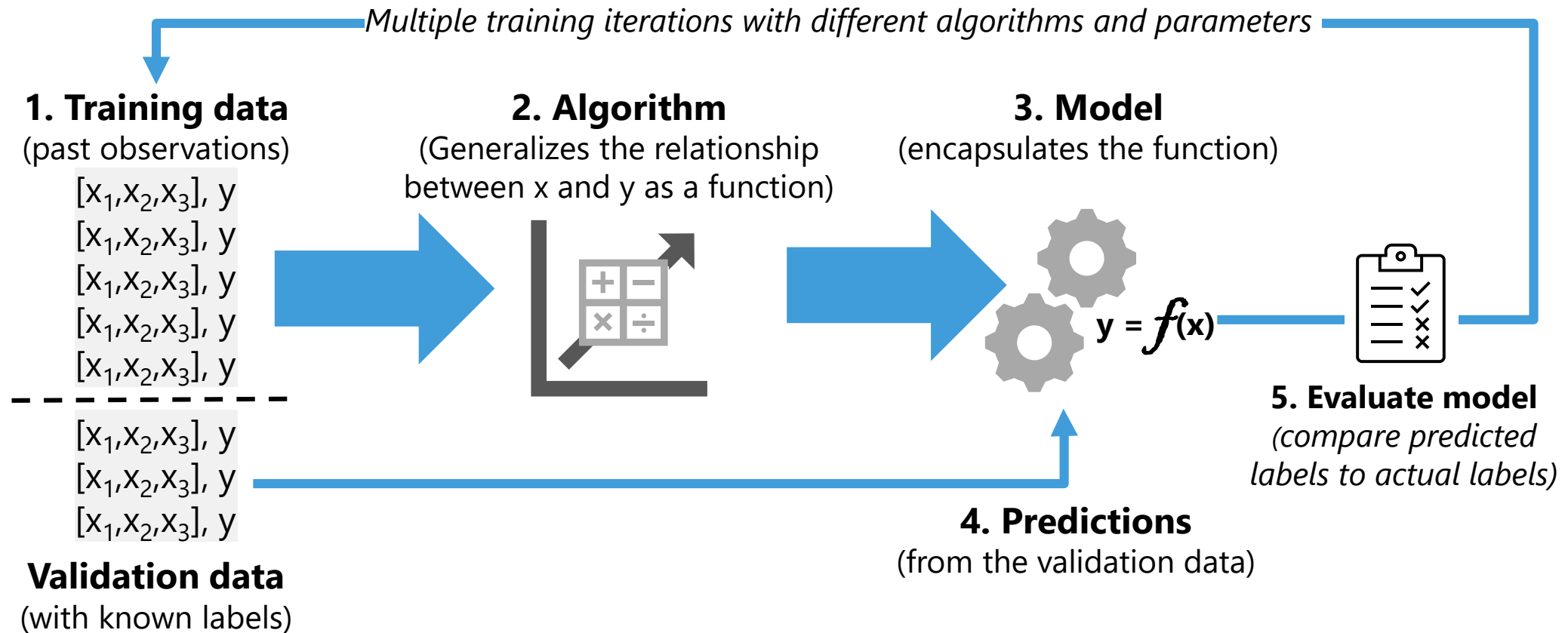
#### Clustering

Similar items are grouped together



Separate plants into groups based on common characteristics

# Model training and evaluation



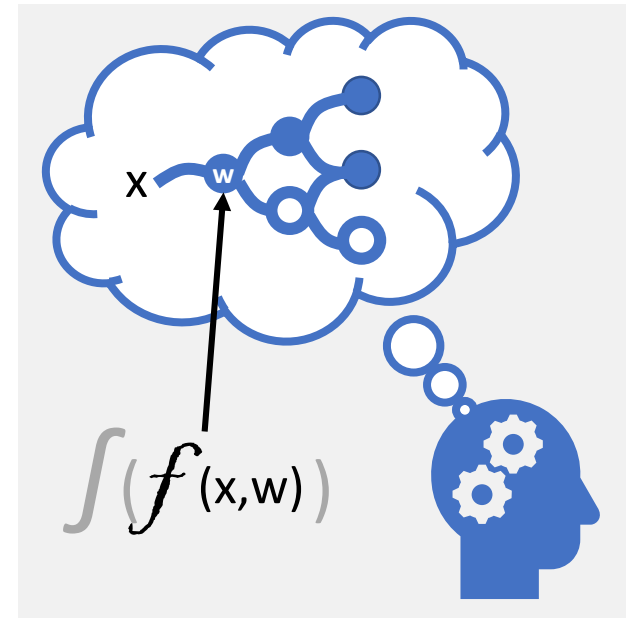
# Deep learning

Human neural network



- Neurons fire in response to electrochemical stimuli
- When fired, the signal is passed to connected neurons

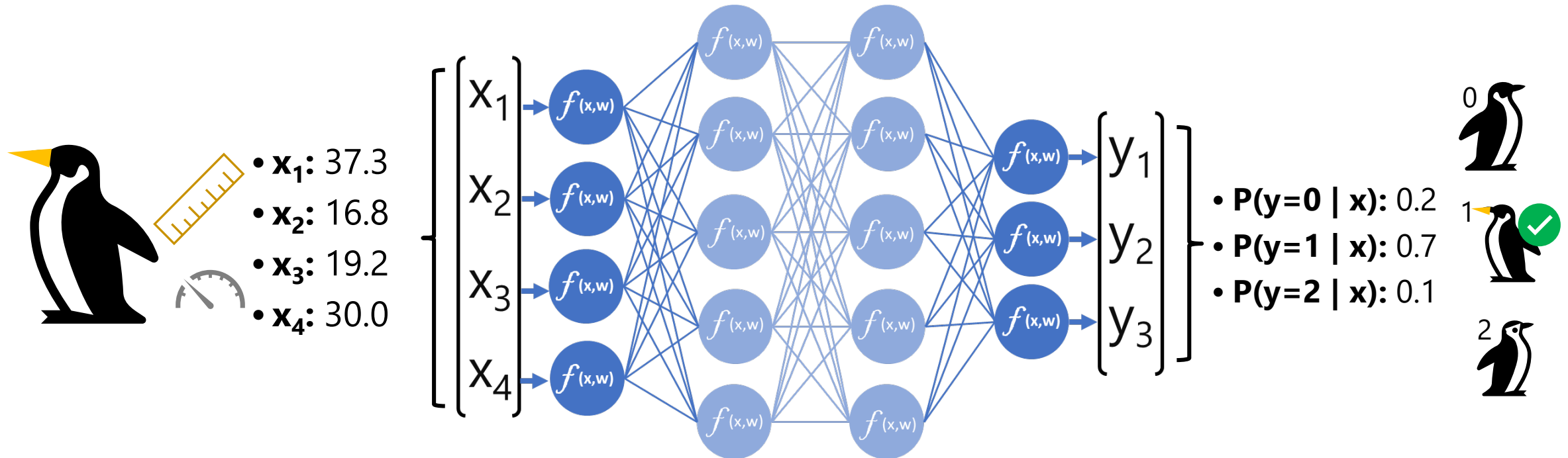
Artificial neural network



- Each neuron is a function that operates on an *input* value ( $x$ ) and a *weight* ( $w$ )
- The function is wrapped in an *activation function* that determines whether to pass the output on

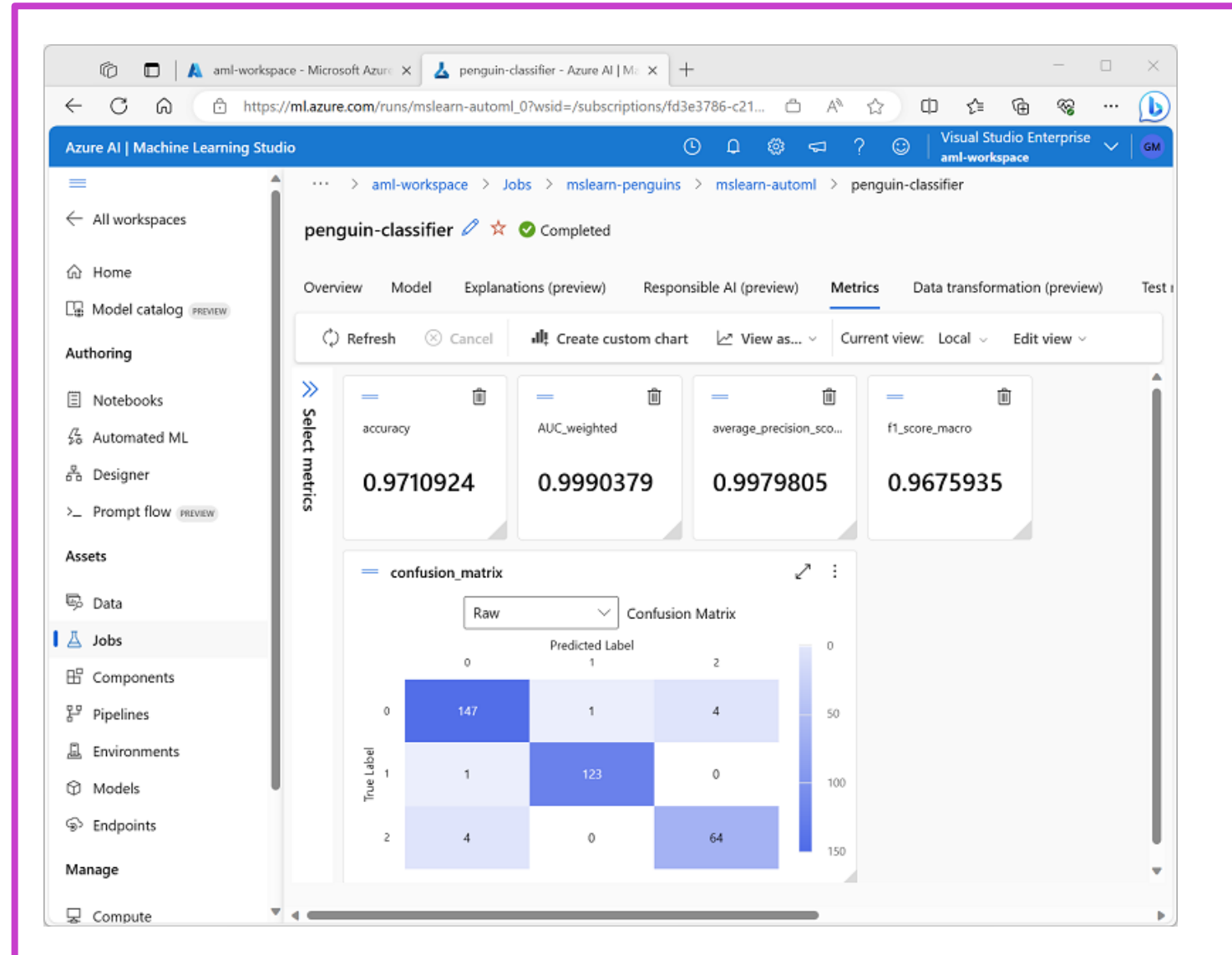
# Deep learning

## *Neural network example – multiclass classification*



# What is Azure Machine Learning?

- Azure Machine Learning is a cloud-based platform for machine learning.
- Azure Machine Learning Studio is a user interface for accessing Azure Machine Learning capabilities.
- Machine learning models trained with Azure Machine Learning can be published as services.





# Demo: Explore Automated Machine Learning in Azure Machine Learning Studio



In this demo, you will see how machine learning features can be used to train a machine learning model to make predictions.

1. Follow along on the exercise page at: <https://aka.ms/ai900-auto-ml>



# Fundamentals of Azure AI services

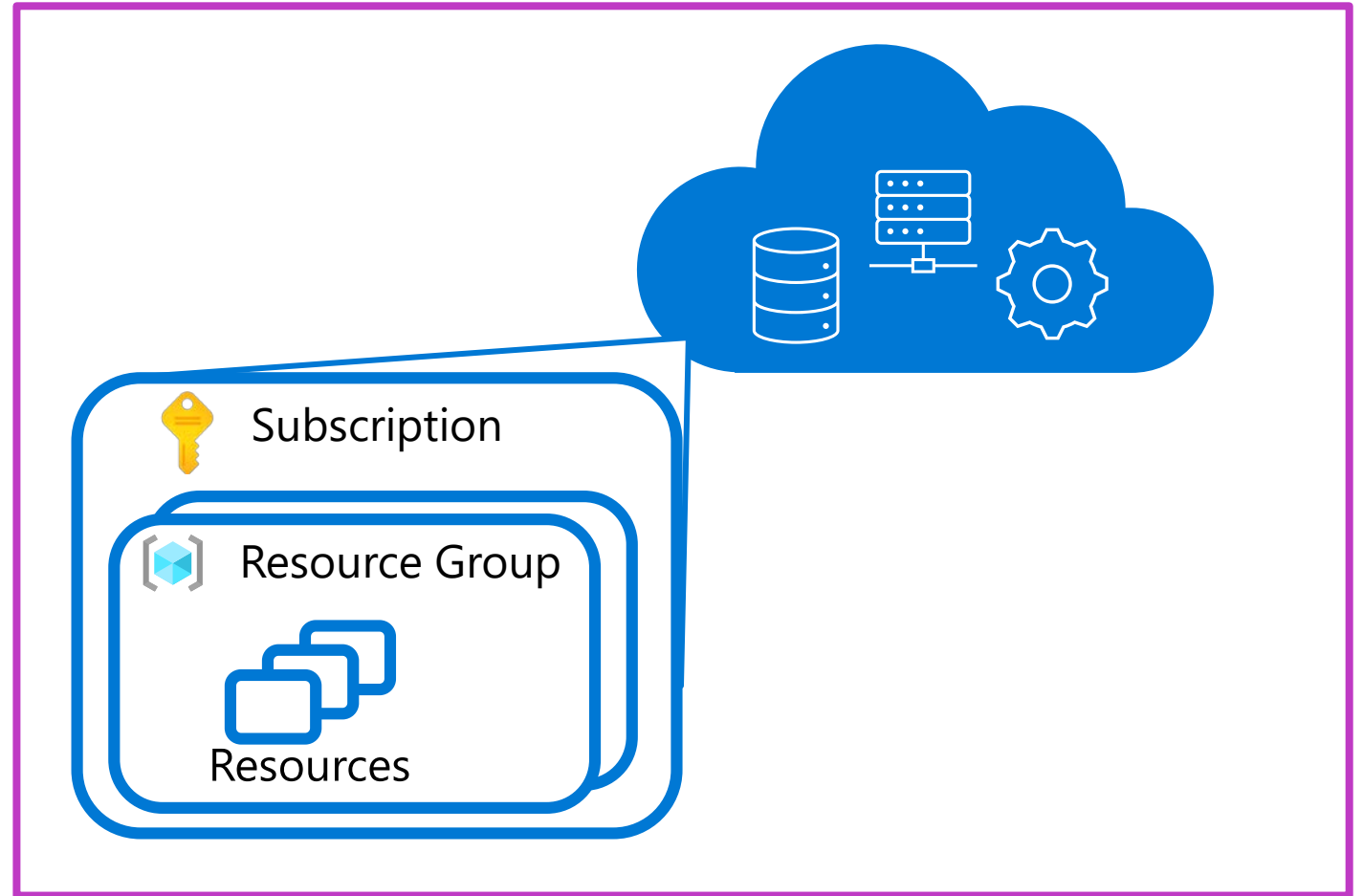




# Azure basics

Microsoft's Azure cloud platform provides scalable and reliable:

- Data storage
- Compute
- Services





# AI services in Microsoft Azure



## Azure Machine Learning

A platform for training, deploying, and managing machine learning models

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## Azure AI services

A suite of services covering Vision, Speech, Language, Decision, and Generative AI

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## Azure Cognitive Search

Data extraction, enrichment, and indexing for intelligent search and knowledge mining

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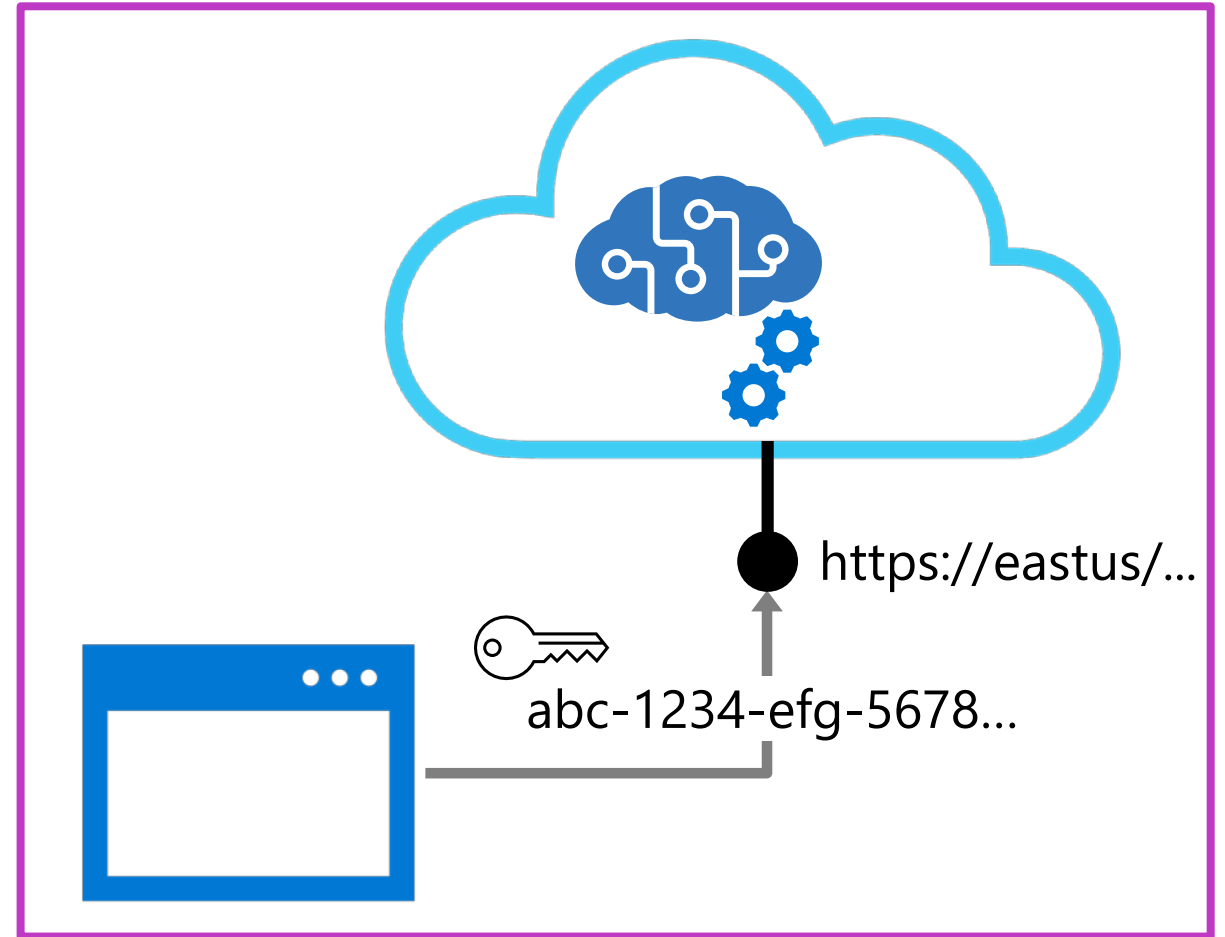
# Azure AI services

## AI application resources in an Azure subscription:

- Standalone resources for specific services
- General *Azure AI services* resource for multiple services

## Consumed by applications via:

- A REST endpoint (`https://address`)
- An authentication key or authorization token



# Exercise: Explore Azure AI services



In this exercise, you will explore the Content Safety Studio, create a resource and try out an Azure AI service.

1. Use the hosted environment and Azure credentials provided for this exercise.
2. The instructions are also available on Learn: <https://aka.ms/ai900-azure-ai-services>

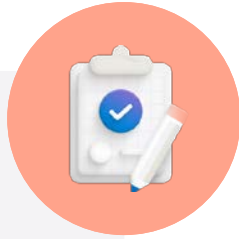


# Knowledge check



- 1** You want to create a model to predict sales of ice cream based on historic data that includes daily ice cream sales totals and weather measurements. Which Azure service should you use?
  - ☒ Azure Machine Learning
  - ☐ Azure Bot Service
  - ☐ Azure AI services
  
- 2** An automobile dealership wants to use historic car sales data to train a machine learning model. The model should predict the price of a pre-owned car based on its make, model, engine size, and mileage. What kind of machine learning model should the dealership use automated machine learning to create?
  - ☐ Classification
  - ☒ Regression
  - ☐ Time series forecasting
  
- 3** A predictive app provides audio output for visually impaired users. Which principle of Responsible AI is reflected here?
  - ☐ Transparency
  - ☒ Inclusiveness
  - ☐ Fairness

# Summary



## **Fundamental AI concepts**

- What is AI?
- Common AI workloads
- Principles of responsible AI

## **Fundamentals of Machine Learning**

- What is machine learning?
- Types of machine learning
- Model training and validation
- What is Deep Learning?
- What is Azure Machine Learning?

## **Fundamentals of Azure AI services**

- Azure basics
- AI services on Microsoft Azure
- Azure AI services



# References

Read more about:

- Fundamental AI concepts
- Fundamentals of machine learning
- Fundamentals of Azure AI services

Through the content on Learn: [Microsoft Azure AI Fundamentals: AI Overview - Training | Microsoft Learn](#)



