

Responsible Al

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Microsoft's Responsible AI principles



The anatomy of the Responsible AI Standard



Microsoft's approach to Responsible Al



The Standard's goals at a glance

Accountability		Transparency		Fairness		Reliability & Safety	
A1 A2 A3 A4 A5	Impact Assessment Oversight of significant adverse impacts Fit for purpose Data governance and management Human oversight and control	T1 T2 T3	System intelligibility for decision making Communication to stakeholders Disclosure of Al interaction	F1 F2 F3	Quality of service Allocation of resources and opportunities Minimization of stereotyping, demeaning, and erasing outputs	RS1 RS2 RS3	Reliability and safety guidance Failures and remediations Ongoing monitoring, feedback, and evaluation
Privacy & Security PS1 Privacy Standard compliance			Inclusiveness In				
PS2	Security Policy compliance						



Sensitive Uses:

A rule-making and oversight process





Tools & Practices:

Impact Assessment

TOOLS AND PRACTICES Impact Assessment Template

A Responsible AI Impact Assessment is a process for understanding the impact an AI system may have on people, organizations, and society.

In an Impact Assessment you explore an Al system's intended uses, stakeholders, and harms that may result from failure and misuse.

Stakeholders, potential benefits, and potential harms

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2.2 Identify the system's stakeholders for this intended use. Then, for each stakeholder, document the potential herefits and notential harms. For more information, including prompts, see the **auidance & activities deck**

	Potential system benefits	Potential system harms
Hospital Administrators (<u>end</u> user)	Automated shift scheduling reduces this stakeholder workload that would otherwise have to create schedules manually. This stakeholder benefits from a simplified task that involves making manual changes to the schedule if necessary and approving the automated schedules.	Reliability & safety: If this stakeholder finds that they must make a lot of manual changes because of repeated system errors, they may abandon the system all together.
		Accountability: if a lot of nurses have negative feedback this stakeholder may feel disproportionately accountable and spend a long-time reviewing schedules and making manual changes.
		Transparency & Accountability – If this stakeholder does not have enough information about nurses and their personal constraints/needs they may not be able to make informed changes and may be tempted to always approve the automatically generated schedules.
Nurses	Improves the general feeling of fairness. Nurses feel like shifts are allocated systematically and	Fairness: Unsuitable shifts that do
	eliminates the fear of favouritism when compared to a human-operated system.	circumstances. For example, a parent might not be able to work night shifts, or someone might need to work more hours for financial reasons.

Tools & Practices:

Impact Assessment template

Project overview

System profile and system lifecycle stage

System description, purpose and features

Geographic areas, languages and deployment mode

Intended uses

Intended uses

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Assessment of fitness for purpose

Stakeholders, potential benefits & potential harms

Stakeholders for Goal-driven requirements

Fairness considerations

Technology readiness assessment, task complexity, role of humans, and deployment environment complexity

Adverse impacts

Restricted Uses

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Unsupported uses

Known limitations

Potential impact of failure on stakeholders

Sensitive Uses

Data requirements

Data requirements

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Pre-defined data sets

Summary of impact

Potential harms and preliminary mitigations

Goal applicability

Signing off on the Impact Assessment

Tools & Practices: Transparency Documents

The new Bing: Our approach to Responsible Al

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The basics of the new Bing

Introduction

In February 2023, Microsoft launched the new Bing, an Al-enhanced web search experience. It supports users by summarizing web search results and providing a chat experience. Users can also generate creative content, such as poems, jokes, stories, and, with Bing Image Creator, images. The new Al-enhanced Bing runs on a variety of advanced technologies from Microsoft and OpenAI, including GPT-4, a cutting-edge large language model (LLM), and DALL-E, a deep learning model to generate digital images from natural language descriptions, both from OpenAI. We worked with both models for months prior to public release to develop a customized set of capabilities and techniques to join this cutting-edge Al technology and web search in the new Bing.

At Microsoft, we take our commitment to responsible AI seriously. The new Bing experience has been developed in line with Microsoft's AI Principles, Microsoft's Responsible AI Standard, and in partnership with responsible AI experts across the company, including Microsoft's Office of Responsible AI, our engineering teams, Microsoft Research, and Aether. You can learn more about responsible AI at Microsoft here.

In this document, we describe our approach to responsible AI for the new Bing. Ahead of release, we adopted state-of-the-art methods to identify, measure, and mitigate potential harms and misuse of the system and to secure its benefits for users. As we have continued to evolve the new Bing since first released, we have also continued to learn and improve our responsible AI efforts. This document will be updated periodically to communicate our evolving processes and methods.

Key terms

Classifiers

The new Bing is an Al-enhanced web search experience. As this is a powerful, new technology, we start by defining some key terms.

Grounding, Grounded responses

https://aka.ms/ResponsibleAI-NewBing

Characteristics and Limitations

How AI works to produce insights

The edge device includes computer vision skills (AI models) that detect human presence and movement from instore camera video footage to derive data such as people count and dwell time. The derived data (or inference data) is sent to the Connected Spaces cloud to generate insights. The Connected Spaces service and web app is a multi-tenant software as a service (SaaS) that processes the data from the Connected Spaces edge gateway and correlates with other business data to generate aggregate and actionable insights for each customer.

The goal of computer vision AI skills is exclusively to detect and locate human presence in video footage and

hat detect people and their er the identities or

Guidelines for choosing a use case

- Carefully consider region of interest and camera placement for skills When defining a region of
 interest for a skill, consider avoiding capturing more data than is needed for a skill. Avoid positioning
 cameras towards sensitive areas of a store (e.g. restrooms, employee break rooms) or public spaces outside
 of the store (e.g. sidewalks, mall concourses).
- Carefully consider the impact on the work-life of retail employees Connected Spaces was not
 designed or intended for employee surveillance, evaluating employee performance, modifying employee
 behavior, or just-in-time shift scheduling. Using the system to engage in such behaviors could be
 detrimental to employee well-being, and thus is not a recognition.
- Avoid discovery or disclosure of sensitive information way that reveals personal private information about the id inferring religion based on clothing, of shoppers and emplicity

Excerpts from the Connected Spaces Transparency Note

Microsoft's Transparency Notes are intended to help you understand how our AI technology platform services works, the choices system owners can make that influence system performance and behavior, and the importance of thinking about the whole system, including the technology, the people, and the environment.

Responsible AI in action

Harms

Hallucination & errors

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Jailbreaks & prompt injection attacks

Harmful content & code

Manipulation and human-like behavior





Block response

Tell me the lyrics of the song "Zombie"

I'm sorry, but I can't provide the lyrics to the song "Zombie" as it is copyrighted material. However, I can offer a summary or discuss the themes and impact of the song if that would be helpful to you. Let me know how I can assist you further!

Al-generated content may be incorrect

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🥠 Copilot

I'm sorry, but I can't provide the lyrics to the song "Zombie" by The Cranberries as it is copyrighted material. However, I can offer a summary or discuss the themes and significance of the song if you're interested. Let me know how else I can assist you!





- Signal to detect for copyrighted information seeking intent
- Basis signal, Copilot engages with appropriate action
 - Blocking with appropriate response
 - Blocking with engaging meaningfully

Configurable content filters

Severity	Config for prompts	Config for completions	Description
Low, Medium, High	Yes	Yes	Strictest filtering configuration. Content detected at severity levels low, medium and high is filtered.
Medium, High	Yes	Yes	Default setting. Content detected at severity level low passes the filters, content at medium and high is filtered.
High No		No	Content detected at severity levels low and medium passes the content filters. Only content at severity level high is filtered.





Recommended Metaprompt Framework

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Define the **model's profile**, capabilities, and limitations for your scenario



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Define the model's output format

Provide example(s) to demonstrate the intended behavior of the model

Define additional behavioral and safety quardrails

- Define the specific task(s) you would like the model to complete. Describe who the users of the model will be, what inputs will be provided to the model, and what you expect the model to output
- Define how the model should complete the tasks, including any additional tools (like APIs, code, plug-ins) the model can use.
- Define the scope and limitations of the model's performance by providing clear instructions
- Define the posture and tone the model should exhibit in its responses.
- Define the language and syntax of the output format. For example, if you want the output to be machine parseable, you may want to structure the output to be in JSON, XSON or XML.
- Define any styling or formatting preferences for better user readability like bulleting or bolding certain parts of the response
- Describe difficult use cases where the prompt is ambiguous or complicated, to give the model additional visibility into how to approach such cases.
- Show chain-of-thought reasoning to better inform the model on the steps it should take to achieve the desired outcomes.
- Define specific guardrails to mitigate harms that have been identified and prioritized for the scenario •

Metaprompt

Response Grounding

- You **should always** reference factual statements to search results based on [relevant documents]
- If the search results based on [relevant documents] do not contain sufficient information to answer user message completely, you only use **facts from the search results** and **do not** add any information by itself.

Tone

- Your responses should be positive, polite, interesting, entertaining and **engaging**.
- You **must refuse** to engage in argumentative discussions with the user.

Safety

• If the user requests jokes that can hurt a group of people, then you **must** respectfully **decline** to do so.

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Developer-defined metaprompt



Best practices and templates



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Example Metaprompt Template: Retail Company Chatbot

Your Personal AI Shopper

How can I be helpful today?

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Hi, I need instructions to set up the tent I just purchased outdoors.

Of course! The TrailMaster X4 Tent is a great choice for outdoor camping. You can find detailed instructions on how to set up the tent in the product's user guide. You can access it here: <u>TrailMaster X4 Tent User</u> Guide.

Additionally, the tent pairs well with other items in your cart like the Adventure Dining Table, PowerBurner Camping Stove, and TrailLite Daypack. These items complement the camping experience and would be great additions to your outdoor gear collection.

Metaprompt

Defining the profile, capabilities, and limitations

- Act as a conversational agent to help our customers learn about and purchase our products
- Your responses should be informative, polite, relevant, and engaging
- If a user tries to discuss a topic not relevant to our company or products, politely refuse and suggest they ask about our products

Defining the output format

- Your responses should be in the language initially used by the user
- You should bold the parts of the response that include a specific product name

Providing examples to demonstrate intended behavior

- # Here are example conversations between a human and you
 - Human: "Hi, can you help me find a tent that can ..."
 - Your response: "Sure, we have a few tents that can..."

Defining additional behavioral and safety guardrails (grounding, harmful content, and jailbreak)

- You should always reference and cite our product documentation in responses
- No offensive content, religious bias, political bias, insults, hate speech, sexual content, lude content, profanity, racism, sexism, violence, and otherwise harmful content should be outputted.
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Evaluation is an ongoing, iterative process



Other Resources for Getting Started

TOOLS & PRODUCT DOCUMENTATION

Azure Al Content Safety (website)

- What is Azure Al Content Safety?
- <u>Harm categories</u>
- Transparency Note

Azure OpenAl Service (website)

- How to fine-tune a model for your use case
- How to use built-in content filters
- Ground models with your own data
- Prompt engineering techniques
- Transparency Note

Azure Machine Learning (website)

- Discover, fine-tune and evaluate models in the model catalog
- Ground foundation models using prompt flow
- Build metaprompts using prompt flow
- Submit bulk test and evaluate a flow in prompt flow
- Develop a custom evaluation flow in prompt flow
- Enterprise security and governance

GUIDES & LEARNING

Microsoft's Responsible AI foundations

- <u>Responsible Al Standard v2</u>
- <u>Responsible AI Impact Assessment Template</u>
- HAX Playbook

Responsible AI for generative AI

- <u>Overview: Responsible AI for generative AI</u>
- <u>Mitigate potential harms</u>
 - Introduction to prompt engineering
 - Advanced prompt engineering techniques
 - Red teaming LLMs
- Operationalize your mitigations

Learning modules

- <u>Microsoft AI Learning and Community Hub</u>
- Develop Generative AI solutions with Azure OpenAI Service
- Fine-tune a foundation model in Azure Machine Learning

Microsoft on the Issues

- How do we best govern AI?
- Reflecting on our responsible AI program
- Our commitments to advance safe, secure, and trustworthy Al
- Announcing the Frontier Model Forum

Thank you