

Microsoft Azure

Microsoft Azure is a Cloud computing platform from Microsoft. Our primary used service is the cognitive services text analytics. For the Beuthbot we use the student version off Azure. We chose this provider because we did not need to provide a credit card here.

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Student Account

The Student Account is an free to use Account from Microsoft Azure. Here we get some limittet free access to different services of the azure programm. Details you can find under:

<https://azure.microsoft.com/de-de/free/students/>

Because we have problems when creating the account, we have designed a following short manual:

1. click on „activate now“ on <https://azure.microsoft.com/de-de/free/students/>
2. login with an privat microsoft account(no University Mail!)
3. after login you must verify your Student Account with University Mail
4. at last you must ident you by name, mail address and phone number here you get an activation code what you must

The important knowledge what we get from this registration is that we need private microsoft accounts and that the microsoft support is not very helpful.

Cognitive Services Text Analytics

To use the ervice we create in oure Azure account an BeuthBot Projekt(resourcesgroup). In this we create an Cognitive Services Text Analytics in North Europe. Now we get an Api End Point from Microsoft where we can do „Post „request with our messages. We have four options to ask for: the language, analyze sentiment, Extract key phrases and Identify linked entities.

More informations about the API you can find her:

<https://docs.microsoft.com/de-de/azure/cognitive-services/text-analytics/>.

For the moment we use the service direktly in our gateway later we want to outsource the service in an extra NLU Request Service(Adapter for NLU).

Knowledge

Very quickly, we realized that it is not possible to operate a chatbot with the text analytics services without paying for the service. Because the free limited access of the service is consumed very quickly in our own tests. So, while we can show that it is possible to use a chatbot with this service, it will not be usable that way.

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