

Exam AI-900: Microsoft Azure AI Fundamentals – Skills Measured

This exam was updated on October 22, 2020. Following the current exam guide, we have included a version of the exam guide with Track Changes set to “On,” showing the changes that were made to the exam on that date.

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- identify features of anomaly detection workloads
- identify computer vision workloads
- identify natural language processing or knowledge mining workloads
- identify conversational AI workloads

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Describe fundamental principles of machine learning on Azure (30-35%)

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- identify *classification* machine learning scenarios
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- identify features and labels in a dataset for machine learning
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- describe how machine learning algorithms are used for model training
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