# Zen3 Data Services Human in the Loop for Banking and Finance



## Introduction

Artificial Intelligence is playing a visibly larger role in banking over the years. The industry has never shied away from trying new Al and ML offerings.

A 2017 search analytics report by Gartner is evidence of the industry's acceptance of modern technology to solve some of the toughest challenges it faces. More queries related to Al and ML asked to Gartner are from the banking industry, more than most other industries.

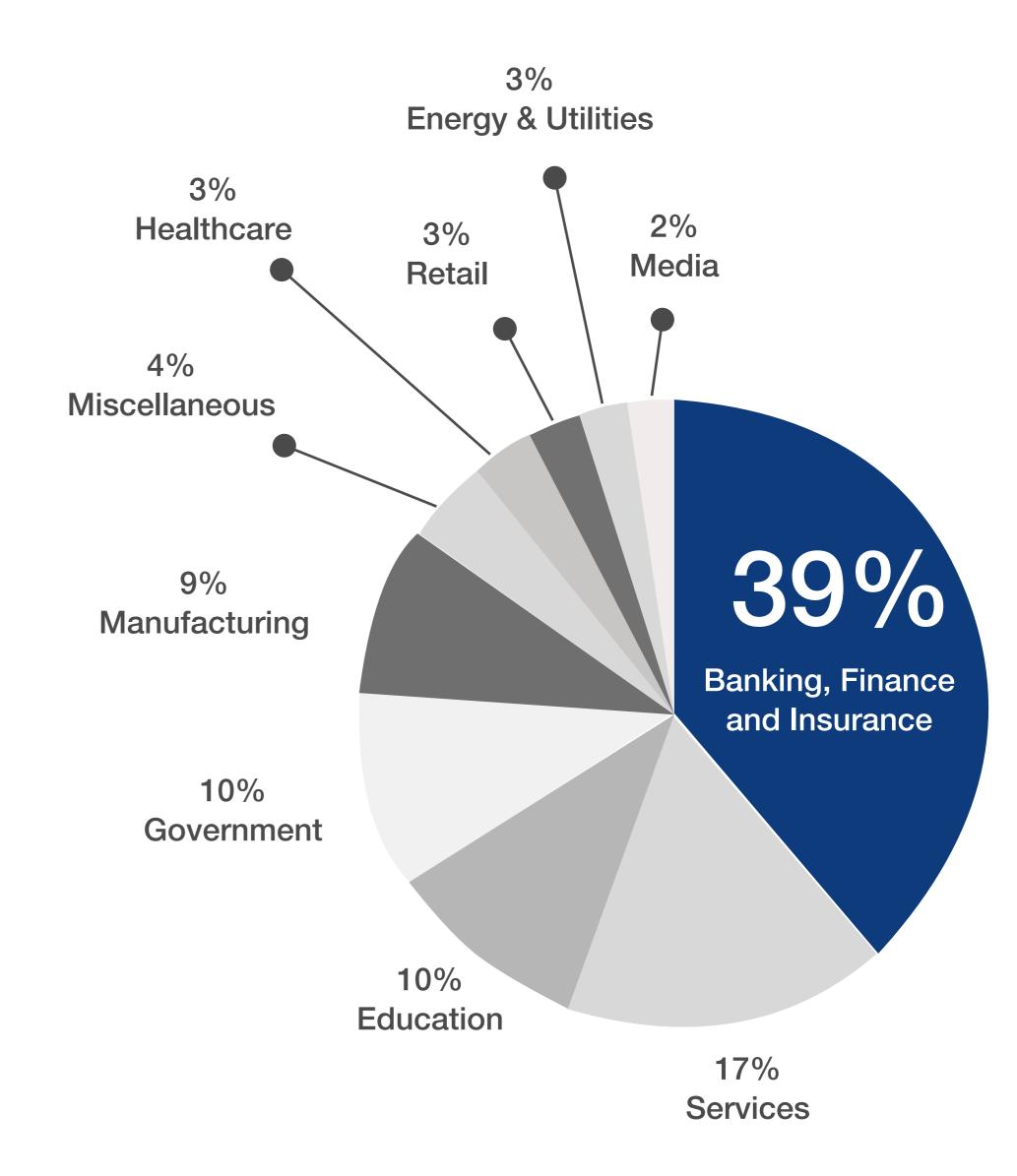
Machine learning a reality in banking, a highly regulated and dataintensive sector. It is evident that banking is in a better position to reap the benefits of machine learning.

A major reason for this is that banks churn out copious amount of data every day in multiple forms. Banks can use this data to improve operations, increase revenues and enhance customer experience.

## Where is Machine Learning being used in Banking?

Machine learning is gradually reshaping banking operations by revamping several processes and operations. It is making inroads into various aspects of banking with increasing use cases. Most machine learning use cases in banks are in one of four categories:

- Customer-centric use
- Operation-focused cases
- Trading and portfolio management
- Compliance and supervision



Gartner's Search Analytics on 'Artificial Intelligence' Search Term by Industry

Following are a few use cases that highlight how banks are leveraging machine learning to step up towards the future.

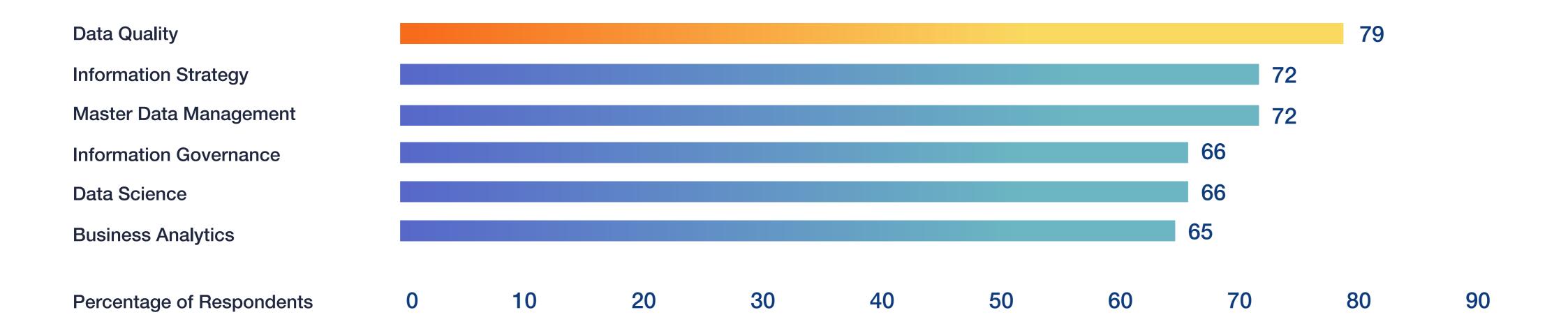
- Customer experience
- Digital assistance and chatbots
- Investment advice
- Fraud detection and risk management
- Regulatory compliance
- Equity Predictions/ Hedge fund management
- Wealth and portfolio management



## Why is Data Quality important?

The efficiency of machine learning models is only as good as the data they process and get trained with. Any anomalies or inaccuracies in data not only result in suboptimal outcomes but they will also lead to the model continuing to acquire inaccurate learning, affecting future outcomes.

Today, data quality is colossal challenge organizations are looking to address. A 2018 Gartner research highlighted that data quality is a primary aspect for a chief data officer role. (Figure below)



Contrary to common belief, machine learning goes beyond choosing and tuning algorithms. The model should be able to easily consume data and learn from it. It should also be predictable and scalable. However, for predictions and recommendation by the model to be dependable, it should be ensured that the data is correct. It should not have missing values, incorrect entries, duplication or redundancy.

Failure to ignore quality may lead to the introduction of biases and inaccuracies in the machine learning model which will continue to increase over time. Thus, bad data can start to impact your future decisions from today. This particularly can be detrimental to a bank as these biases may result in substandard customer services, higher operational costs, and increased fraud risks.

In addition to this, banking regulations are more stringent than in other sectors and industries. If your model learns based on incorrect representation, it may even lead to non-compliance, attracting severe penalties from regulatory bodies. Therefore, ensuring high-quality data is not an option but a mandate for banks.

Tuning hyperparameters, building an ensemble and performing feature engineering are some of the recommended ways to improve data quality. However, it needs more than these approaches in banking as they focus on refining data quality without the need for more data and are only effective to a certain extent. Banking, a highly customer-centric sector, requires a significant amount of contextualized and annotated data.

## What does Data Contextualization do?

Even a huge volume of current and historical data may be unable to deliver if it fails to generate insights that banks look for to make strategic decisions across various departments. To do that, there is a need for precise classification of parameters based on a thorough understanding of data and patterns hidden in it. This means it requires massive and organized data which is feature-rich and correctly labeled.

Contextualization makes it possible to derive valuable and actionable insights from every piece of data at various stages and refines outcomes. It ensures that machine learning models are trained to deliver enhanced output with the desired accuracy and relevance.

It is also important to note that banks generate data in different formats and on different platforms. This includes text, images, voice, videos, social media interactions among others. Hence a linear approach to decipher the collective data is more futile than inefficient.

As an example, only analyzing the number of telephonic interactions of customers or their frequency of visiting a branch in a specific period may be of little avail if you are looking to know the reasons for attrition or reduced transactions.

Now, add other parameters to this such as social media activity, visited outlets, customer profiles (technophile, saving-focused, shopaholic, etc.). This can enable you to create machine learning models that only tell you the reasons for inefficient customer service but can also predict any such instances—quickly and accurately. For instance, an angry tweet from a dissatisfied bank customer can show the gaps in services delivery and help you fill it.

## Data in its many forms needs context

#### The Many Faces of Data

Unstructured / Structured Operational Data

Paper forms, memos and other paper-based data (scanned)

Publicly available competitor information

Customer transactions Customer applications (Third-party) (web & mobile)

HR Data

IoT Data (ATMs and other devices)

Customer KYC

Credit Scores Customer Social Media

**Interbranch Transactional** 

Regulatory information

Third-party financial advisors

Customer credit investment &

service

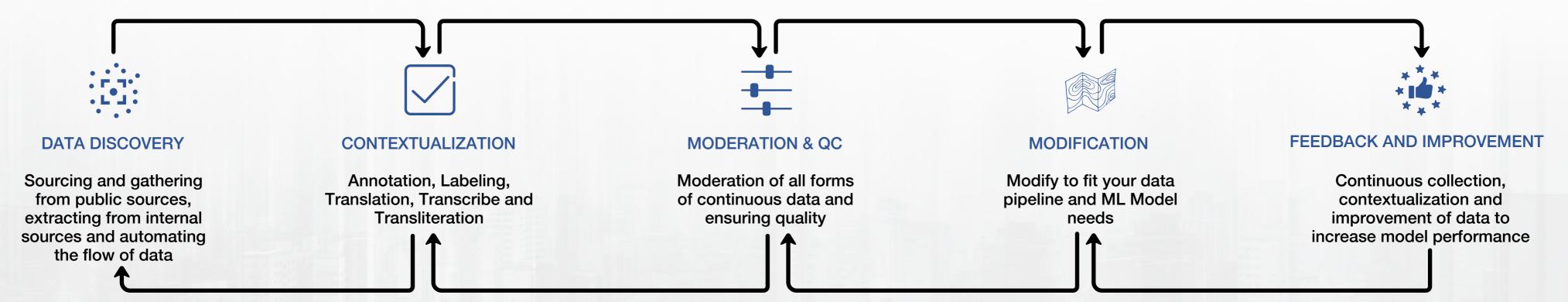
Call centre logs & speech

Opinions & surveys

Chat bot data

Regulatory market fillings

#### **Zen3 Services**



#### Endless Possibilities

Improvement in meeting your customer's current needs

Improved regulatory compliance

Better response to competition moves

Predicting customer's needs, credit, investment & service

Reduced risk of internal

**Improved CSAT Score** 

Fraud Detection & prevention

Sentiment Analysis

Improved privacy and data safety

Internal risk prevention

Improved loss prevention

## **Use Cases of our Contextualization service**

Here are a couple of examples of how you can leverage data contextualization in banking.

#### **Customer Payment Data**

Annotation can derive valuable insights from customer payment data, such as identifying spending patterns and channels of transactions, and customer categorization. While the insights it can deliver are endless, it requires to context understanding to be able to fully leverage this data.

Generally, customer payment data involves number, nature, time and location of transactions is not completely processed and annotated and exists in a semi-organized manner. We synthesize the payment data with other data sources like personal information of customers and their needs and preferences. We then add other key parameters—for example, customer intent, influences, triggers and so on.

In the final stage, we transform the synthesized data by enhancing it with the use of AI, IoT, big data, machine learning, and other data sources. Thus, we help you optimize the outcomes to make better strategic decisions.

#### Fraud & Risk Management and Prevention

Fraud prevention is a priority area for banks. A majority of CIOs in the banking sector, according to Gartner research, are reported to be concerned about transactional data protection. It is followed by customer segmentation, call center virtual assistants, sentiment analysis among other fraud risk concerns.

Out annotation experts use their expertise in machine learning, NLP, social media listening, and analytics to identify risk indicators, anticipate fraud, verify customers, and build models to minimize risk.



## How do we Contextualize data?

Here are some of the ways we contextualize your data from all existing formats and annotate it to enhance the capabilities of your machine learning model.

#### **Image Labelling**

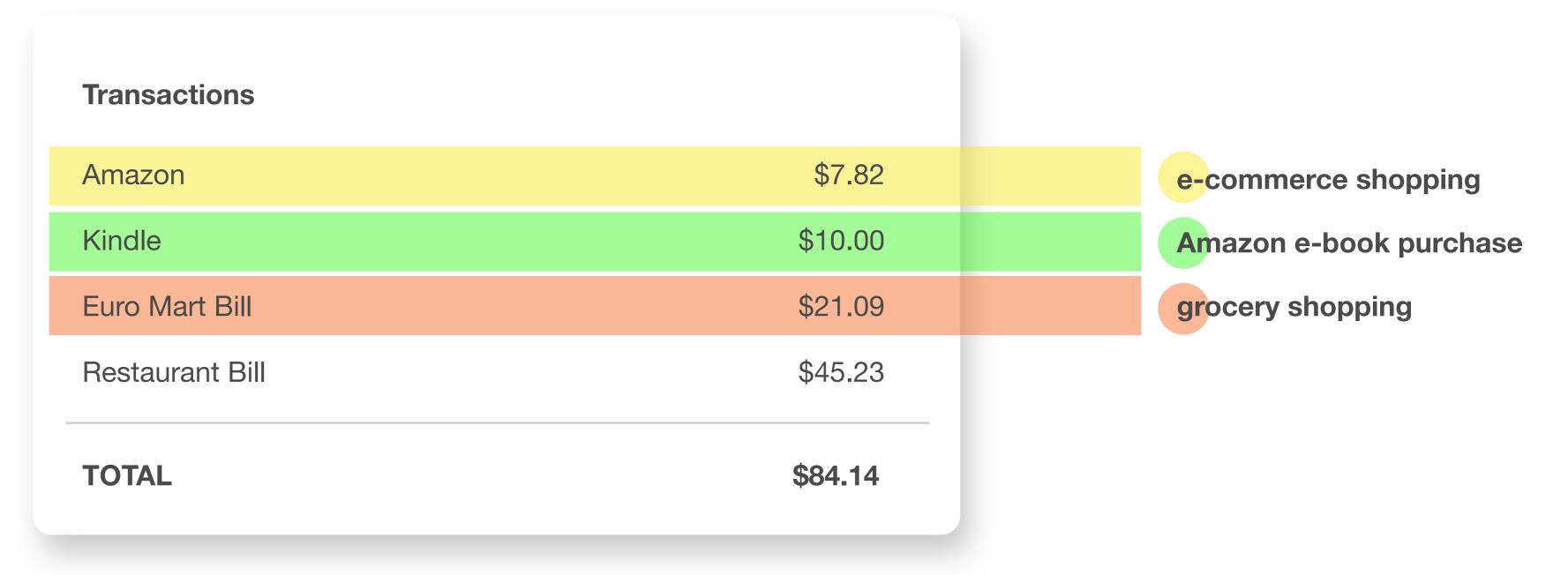
We identify and label all transactional information including correct store name, types of goods sold at the store and by the merchant along with the correct industry codes. Additionally, we also label purchase location (GIS long-lat) globally through the web or by calling the store directly.

Image labeling helps the bank in determining:

- The propensity of your customer in buying at the store
- The propensity of customers converting that transaction to an EMI
- The type of purchases your customers usually make
- Providing better information to the customers in their purchases

Here is another example of image labeling.

Apple debuted a version of merchant identification with their Apple Card to provide both the correct purchase type and easy visual reminder of the purchase to help in budgeting

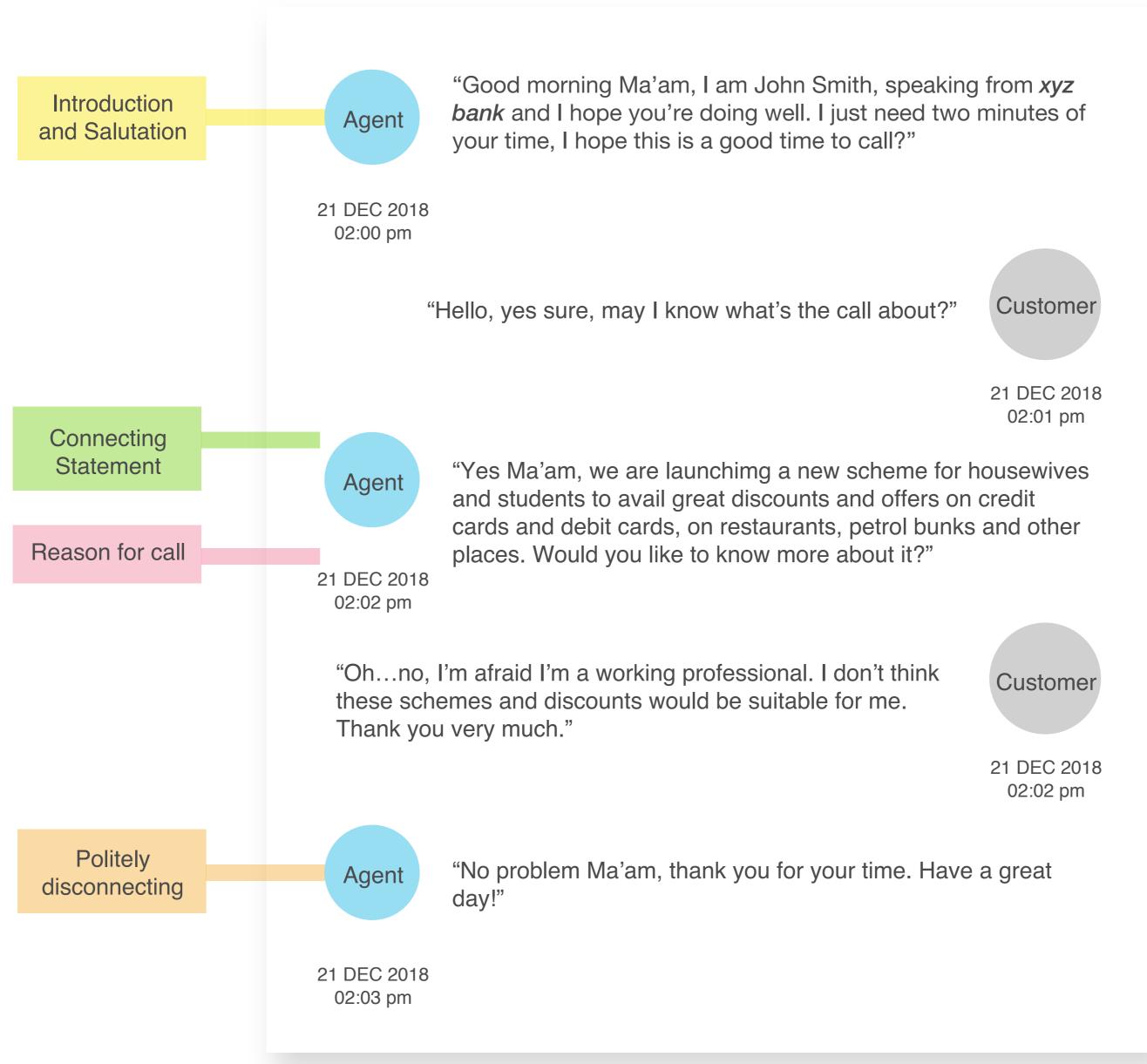


We can label all such information as shown in this image and ensure that your transcription team uses the correct spelling and that the rest of the details are accurate. We can also use the email addresses and social media profiles of your customers to add other required pieces of information. We can further tag them to facilitate more targeted campaigns.

	Error: Same Branch Code and Account number	
Incorrect Selection	Name of the Bank         Branch Code         0 1 2 3 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0           Account Number         0 1 2 3 4 0 0 0 0 0 0 0           Customer ID	
	Savings Account  Recurring Deposit  Monthly Income Certificate    Current Account  Fixed Deposit  Double Benefit Deposit	
	ACCOUNT OPENING FORM	
	To, The Branch Manager, xyz Bank Name,  Date:  31 February, 2019	Incorrect Date
	I request you to open a account with you for which I am initially depositing	
	Rs (only) by Cash / Cheque on yourself.	

#### **NER/PoS Tagging**

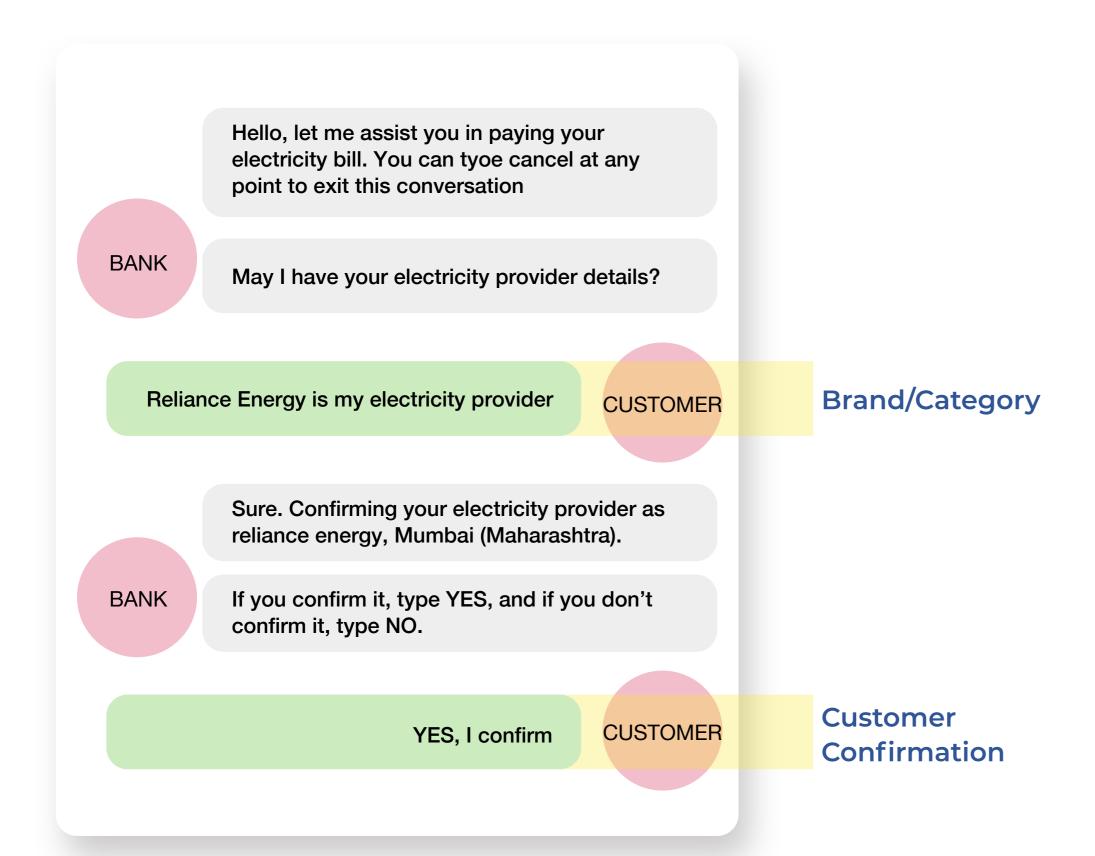
We collect all speech data for your customers from your call center and convert it to text. We then use our sales and customer service expertise to analyze the text and label it. Zen3 assures a better accuracy in it than most of its competitors.



#### **Text Classification**

We can perform text classification of the notes for all your customer interactions available in the text form. It helps you build a corpus of data to identify the intent behind the communication through your machine learning model.

Using text classification, you can improve chatbot performance or build automation programs to respond to customers via either email or voice call.



#### **Text Summarization**

We are quick and efficient in summarizing data from regulatory notices and filings. Besides, we can scan large data sets online and share the summary as well as social media sentiment analysis.

Public Utility Commission of Mumbai, Filling Center 201 High Street, S.E. Pin Code - 450678 Maharashtra

RE: Second supplemental filling of advice number 18/22, Miscellaneous Regulatory Adjustments

These fillings are submitted persuant to Mumbai Filling company and Mumbai administrative rules (MAR) 085-860-022, 098-233-455, for filing proposed tarrif sheets associated with Tarrif P.U.C. numbers 890-921 and 890-922 PGE initially filed advice number 18-22, on November 21, 2017 with a requested effective date of January 02, 2019, which remains as originally filed. PGE now files this second supplemental filing updating prices in schedule 105 to remove the impact of property sales in prices from the original filing. The price adjustment and this supplemental filing are the results of discussions with OPUC Staff and DOJ.

Enclosed are the following replacement sheets:

Fourteenth revision of sheet number 170-1
Eighteenth revision of sheet number 180-2
Third revision of sheet number 108-2
Ninth revision of sheet number 109-3
Tenth revision of sheet number 112-1

Details of Replacement Sheets

Revenues from advice number 18-22, for the two residential demand response pilots pertain to costs incurred from January 01, 2018 through December 21, 2018 adjusted for residential balances from 2017 and adjusted with Rs 21 lacs with interest. Effective January 01, 2020 Schedule 105 will not incur costs for the two residential demand response pilots. Instead the costs incurred subsequent to December 31, 2018 and any residual balance will be subjected to Tarrif schedule 135 in accordance with commission order number 18-381 and applicable conditions.

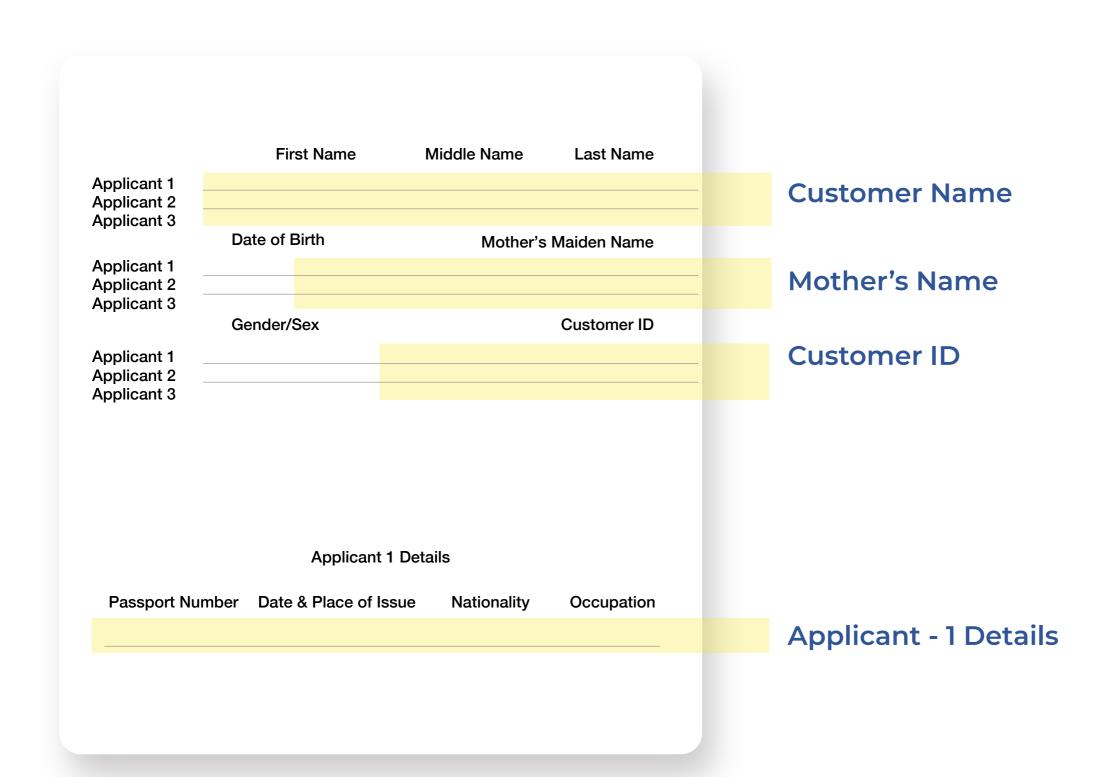
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#### **Human Reviewed OCR**

We can annotate and tag the entire data available in the paper form throughout the journey of a customer. Text-tagging with correct annotation improves machine learning models and helps summarize the data. Using this, you make sure your bank takes the right and timely action.

#### **Social Media Information Tagging**

Even with limited information on application forms of customers, we can build their online and social media profiles and generate insights into all their activities online by tagging and summarizing their profiles.



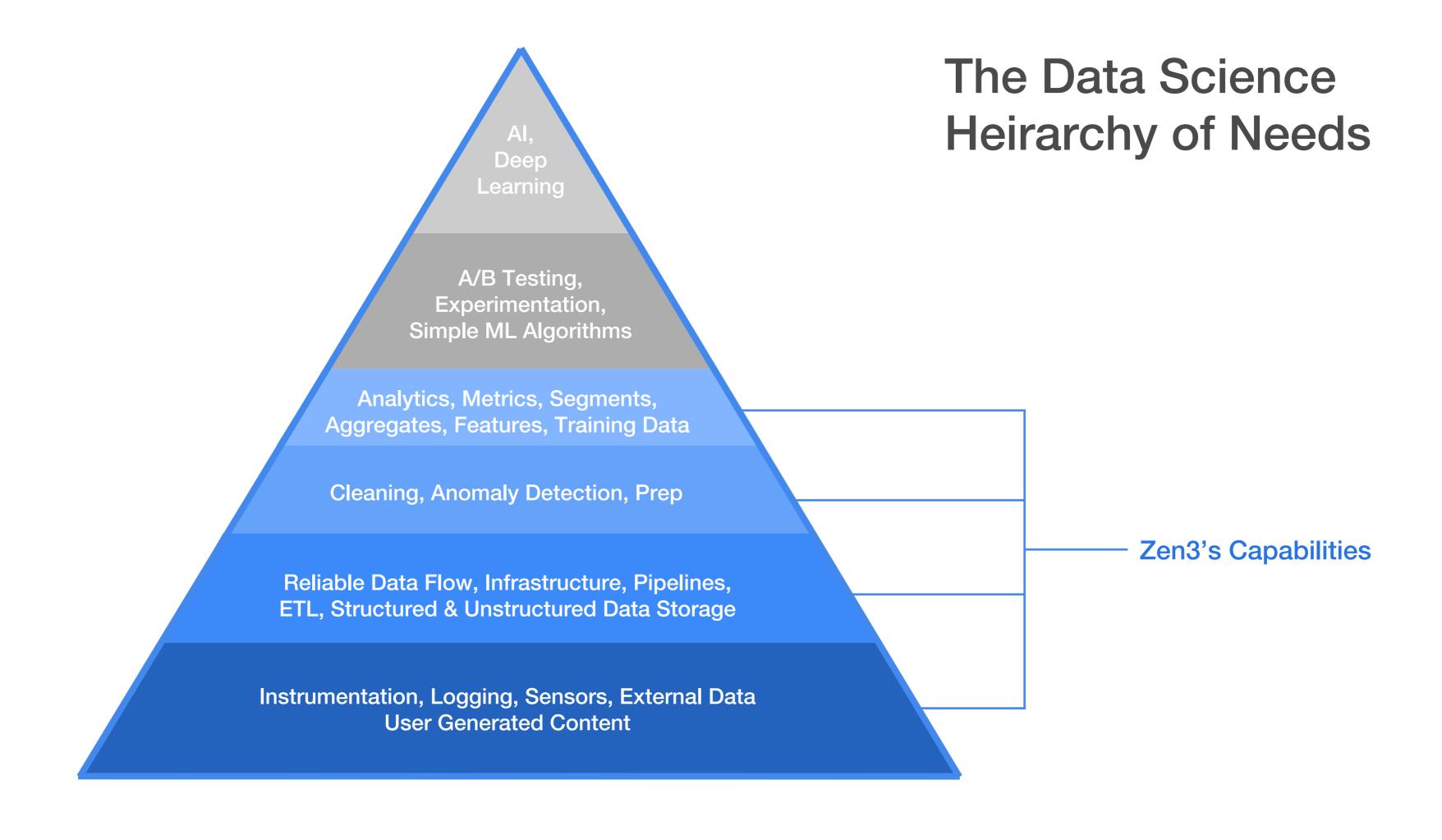


**Customer 360** 

#### Why Zen3?

Zen3 has proven expertise in aggregating and labeling your customer data using analytics, segmentation, and metrics. We clean your data by removing any anomalies and annotate it to make it a high-octane fuel for your machine learning models.

Here are a few reasons why you can consider Zen3 a dependable Al partner.



#### **Proven Quality**

With over 15 Million judgments done for clients in the past 3 years, we've maintained a robust quality assurance process that drives analysis accuracy of >95%. Training ensures consistent analytical standards, bringing individual disagreement rate below 5% across projects.



## **Talent Advantage**

Human-powered data pipelines require committed personnel, and we've maintained a 0% attrition rate for HIL middle management over the last 3 years, all while scaling up hiring in support of data pipelines based across the US, Europe, and Asia. Our dedicated talent acquisition teams based out of Seattle, Singapore, Hyderabad, and Delhi ensure continued access to premium talent.



#### **Focus on Value**

Our HIL projects center on proven cost-management practices, with prices 30-50% below leading competitors. An absolute dedication to process-improvements has led to a consistent long-term throughput acceleration across all data annotation efforts. We have even proactively identified new efficiencies for large scale labeling efforts by suggesting workflow improvements to our clients.



## ជំហុង Deep Expertise

With 130+ editorial resources with rich digital & print media experience currently engaged, we have the expertise needed to support even the most complex, media-rich data pipelines. This subject matter expertise is coupled with deep knowledge of the content management tools needed to administer these efforts efficiently.



#### **Staffing Capabilities**

Zen3 has an exceptional team of qualified professionals across the US, UK, and India. With considerable experience in their respective domain, our 750+ linguists, transcribers and annotators are engaged in global delivery operations five days a week.

Zen3's dedicated, over 50-member talent acquisition team strives to hire and retain the best talent.

#### Background

While Banks are trying to leverage everything they have at their disposal to reduce customer churn, regulatory bodies are aggressively pushing for demanding compliance norms.

Conversational Analytics or Speech Analytics refers to a platform to acquire, transcribe and analyse 100% of all customer conversations across channels including phone, email, chat and social. These insights help satisfy contact center efficiency benchmarks, agent performance and regulatory standards simultaneously, thereby increasing revenues.

The Banking and Financial Services industry includes Banks, Lenders, Mortgage Services, Collection Agencies, Brokerages, Insurance and other financial services.

#### **Opportunity**

These institutions have 3 major challenges:

- 1) Customer Churn because of dissatisfaction which directly impacts bottom-line
- 2) Rising complaints, investigations and penalties from different regulatory bodies
- 3) Losses due to agent attrition, productivity and training challenges.

Learning from customer conversations is the best action that any financial services institution can take to address these problems. Conversational Analytics is the most powerful platform for achieving these goals.



"With Zen3, we understand our customers better and we have been able to relay this information to our marketing teams which has helped us significantly in better targeting translating to improved revenues."

- Vice President, Customer Success

#### Solution

Automated QA and Root Cause Analysis of 100% of all customer conversations will help banks and other financial services agencies produce significant cost savings. While this helps in reducing average call handling time and improves productivity, it also has a direct correlation with customer satisfaction levels. Analyzing conversations also helps understand knowledge or training gaps in each agent which helps the organization tailor training programs and improve First Call Resolution.

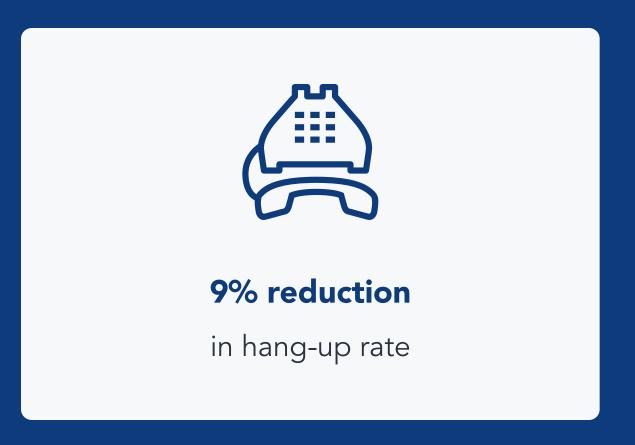


"We did less than 3% audit earlier but with Zen3, we've achieved 100% audit. We have also saved tremendous amount of time using the search functionality on Zen3's dashboard to identify keywords, sentiments, topics and contexts directly from conversations."

#### - Compliance Manager

Banks are consistently sharing success reports on how improving agent performance and onboarding time has significantly reduced churn. Speech Analytics helps identify exact gaps in training and makes training programs more focused.













Our Speech Analytics solution, helps you uncover valuable insights to improve agent performance. We can analyse both real-time & historical communications.



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