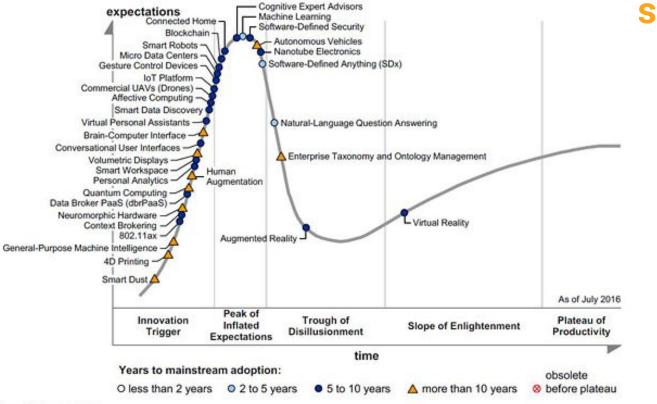
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# Happy Birthday Alexa! AUM

# By 2020, customers will manage 85% of their relationship with the organizations without interacting with a human\*

# By 2020 50% of searches would be Voice Based Search

\*Source: Alibaba, Google



Source: Gartner (July 2016)

## Bots | Access is getting Cheaper



\* Coming Soon Source : Company Websites

## **Bots** | Digital Assistants on the Rise



\* figures do not include enterprise usage | Source : Tractica

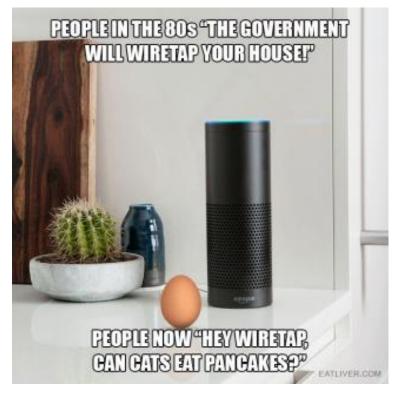
## But, let's face it! Bots are frustrating...

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## And there are other worries!





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# But, we've to be ready for the future!

# Web based Content Vs Conversational Content

- High Verbosity
   Tolerance
- Screen based -- Visual
- Hyperlinked content --Maintains relationship to different content
- Complex Information architecture

- Low Verbosity Tolerance
- Zero User Interface (Verbal and Aural)
- No multi-directional flow (mostly uni-directional)
- Context precedes the content

# Why Voice Content Strategy is important?

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- Building great content is expensive and difficult
- Content writers can't write content for 2 different platforms (expensive and impractical)
- Conversational Legibility of content -- Can listener understand this.
- Search
- Unidirectional flow vs link rich pages

## How these Bots work?

#### Alexa, tell plan my trip I need a vacation Utterances launch utterance wake word Invocation name I'd like to take a trip next Friday. slot value utterance PlanMyTripIntent {value: "2017-12-20"} ntent Intent slot value

# **FAQ Example!**

Old: How long can I receive benefits?

New: How long can I receive employment benefits?

Old: Are benefits taxable?

New: Are employment benefits taxable?

# FAQ: Call to Action and Link-rich text

Old: You can receive payments through either a debit card or direct deposit. <u>Learn more about payments</u>

New: You can <u>receive payments</u> through either a debit card or direct deposit

#### Old: Read more about this

New: In Georgia, the <u>Family Support Registry</u> typically pull payments directly from your paycheck. However you can send your payments through bank account, credit card or Western Union.

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# **Conversational Usability**

- Completely new area: Completely aural, not physical or visual like typical interfaces
- No eye-tracking, No thinking aloud
- Retrospective Probing technique

Example Test Cases:

You have a business licence in Georgia, but not sure if you've to register it on an annual basis. Talk with Alexa and find out information you need. At the end ask for a phone number for more information.

# **Voice Search Optimization would be big**

of US teens use voice search while watching TV

59%





of US adults use voice search while watching TV of US teens use voice search while in the bathroom

http://www.androidcentral.com/google-study-over-half-teenagers-use-voice-search-daily

# The Mobile Voice Study



**55% of teens** and **41% of adults** use voice search more than once a day

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# How VSO is different than SEO

- Action oriented search query: Find nearest Gas station, Find best Pizza places in New York
- More real time; most of the queries happen with low proximity to the computers.
- VSO optimize for local search (usually for near me queries)

# When these Voice Search happen?

- Asking For Directions
- To call somebody
- To dictate texts
- To get help with homework
- To play a song
- Find out movie times
- Check the time
- Play song or movie!

# **Basics of Voice Search Optimization**

- Optimize For Long-Tailed Keywords Natural language vs traditional keywords. 3 to 5 words or more...
- Use Question Phrases Optimize content for who, where, how
- Use More LSI Keywords Context over Content
- Use Microdata Markup Use <u>schema.org and Dublin</u> <u>Core</u> to do this.

# **Basics of Voice Search Optimization**

- Optimize local pages; have location data tagged with the content.
- Keep contact information (phone number) available with the local listing.
- Get Mobile Friendly
- Optimize content for Google search Featured Snippet

# **Featured Snippets: How Google treats Voice?**

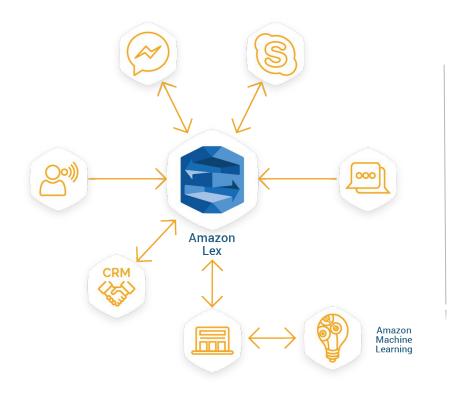
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# **Snippets & VSO Similarities**

- Write a topic-specific page.
- Create content that answers a specific question.
- Look for questions that you will be able to answer in great depth.
- When optimizing for voice search, research longer, long-tail keyword phrases.
- Think of semantic keywords, different ways of saying the same thing (i.e., synonyms).
- Use trigger words like "how," "what" and "best."
- Understand your customer's intent, and optimize the content on your pages for every stage in your customer's buyer's journey.
- Use conversational language write like you're talking to a friend.
- Use Headings (H1, H2, H3, H4).
- Make sure to use unique title and description tags on each page use keywords in those tags.
- Include keywords toward the front of the very first sentence/paragraph.
- Use the keywords in the page's universal resource locator (URL).

# Bots | Build once and consume everywhere

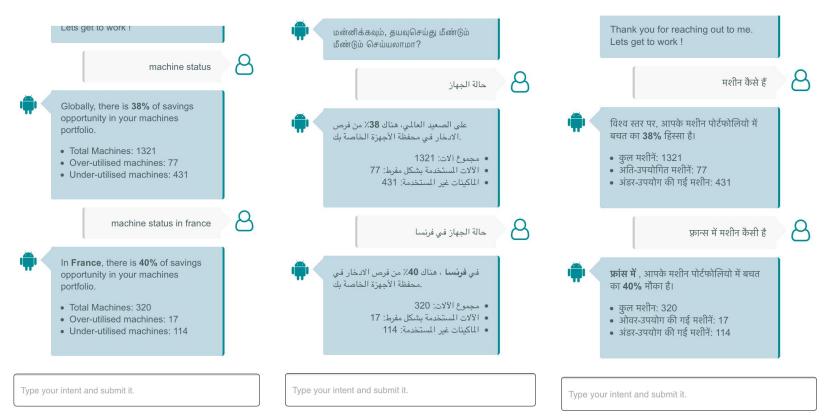


• Leverage Amazon Lex (Alexa NLP engine and voice synthesis)

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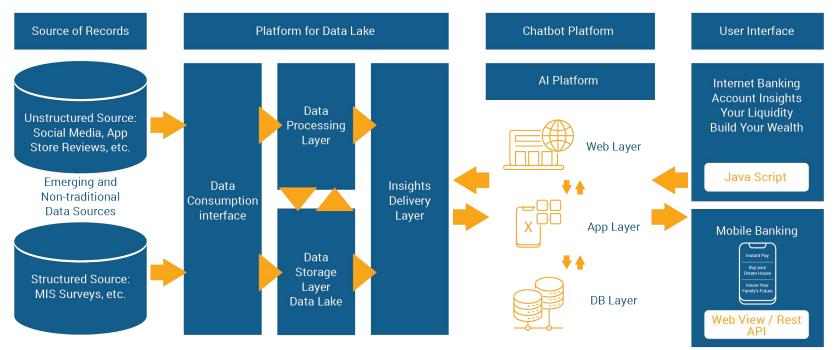
- Can be consumed by voice over phone, Social Messengers and Mobile based apps.
- Extensible to other future platforms.
- Uses machine learning to make the bot ask intelligent questions -- Learn from user response.

# Bots | And they speak multiple languages



# **Bots** | Architecture

#### Typical Architecture of the Chatbot Platform



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