

# 6 Key Components of Conversational User Interfaces



## Natural Language Processing (NLP)

Understands human language and interprets input



## Machine learning (ML)

Enables learning and improvement over time



## Dialogue management

Manages conversation flow and context

## Speech recognition

Converts spoken words to text



## Text-to-speech and speech-to-text

Convert text into spoken words and vice versa




## User interface design

Creates intuitive interfaces for easy interaction



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working on conversational agents and reviewing techniques for the design and application of conversational agents

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