

# Regtech Monitoring: Financial Promotions

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## The problem statement



Provide regtech solutions to monitor, identify and analyse the promotional material related to banking, credit & insurance



#### Our approach



#### Deliver a proof of concept that demonstrates:

- Ingestion of ad media files into a core API for ML services.
- ML processing for image, video, audio and NLP
- A rules engine for specific & principle based rules
- Dashboarding and BI for ML data and breaches

#### We also proposed

- Key user stories
- Solution architecture, key functional modules & feature list
- Methodology to handle Principle breaches & Risk rating methodology



#### Perspectives



#### Consumer

- Does the ad clearly convey
  - Material Product / service features
  - Benefits & Risk
  - Costs and Fees

#### Industry/Advertisers

- Progmatically interact with ASIC
- Proactively, pre-comply through automated self assessment
- Reduce cost of compliance, financial penalties, reputational cost.

#### Regulator

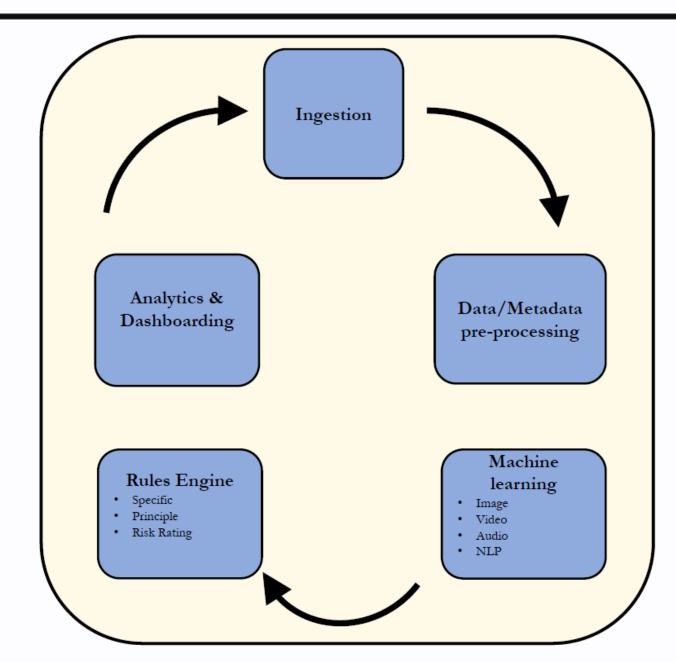
- Realtime compliance monitoring
- Shorter TAT Breach id, validation to enforcement
- Focus Analyst time on Qualitative work/ fine tuning detection
- Enhance consumer education and awareness

Ensure overall high quality promotions that compete for fair consumer outcomes



## High level data flow







## ML – Image, Video & Audio









Text extraction, recognition and coordinates

Objects detection Entities Detection

Extract Audio Speech to text

Extract Image frames

Facial emotions







#### ML - Natural Language Processing



- Product classification: Home Loans, Credit Cards, Car dealership etc..
- Medium classification Print, Web, Radio, Youtube, Twitter, Radio etc..
- Sentiment detection: Detection of sentiment strength in headline
- Headline and TnC \*: Classification of text content
- Entity extraction: Identification of Organizations, locations, numbers etc.



## Principle Breaches – Our context



• Should look to promote **fair outcomes for consumers** and compliance of financial firms through application good practices some of which are(from RG 234):

	Balanced messages		Non baiting headlines		Fair Product comparison	
Realistic expectation		Highlight promoted content	Messagi vulnerab segment	le		Clear & legible
	Imply Regulatory/ Govt. endorsement		Explain Awards & Ratings			Transparency on Fees/costs

### Rules Engine - Breach Register



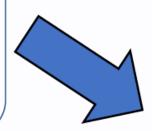


ASIC Act, NCCP Act, Corporations Act, RG 234 - Advertising financial products and services.



#### Specific Requirements

- ACL conditions
- APR & Comparison Rate missing
- Comparison Rate Warning & text
- · Comparison Rate not prominent
- Unclear if interest rate is APR or Comparison Rate
- Prohibited words



Breach Register



Risk Rating\*

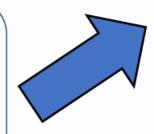


- Extracted Text & metadata
  - Images
  - Video
  - Speech
- NLP extracts
- ASIC Master Data
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party data



#### Principle based

- Metadata focus
- Complexity of words
- Prominence of Headline and TnC's
- · Use of abbreviations
- Risky words
- Clarity of images.





## Proposed Risk Rating Methodology



- 1. Breaches of specific Requirements ie "Hard Measures"
- 2. Breaches of Principles based: 10+ measures, "Soft measures"
- 3. Product complexity scale
  - 1(least complex ) to 5(very complex professional investor products)
  - Represent the Consumers viewpoint in terms of *underlying purpose* (Financing/Borrowing, Investments, Liquidity, Principal Protection, Insurance, Tax benefits etc)
  - features & risks (affordability/personal liability risk, market risks etc)
- Weightings assigned to Specific Rules and Principle Based ones. for ie. 50:50 or 60: 40 and have weighting between (1 and 5) each product class..



## Proposed Risk Rating Methodology



Risk Rating ad =  $\sum_{i}^{N}$  Weighting(for each Specific requirement) \*(No. of Breaches of Specific req) +

$$\sum_{j}^{N}$$
 Weighting(Soft Measure) \*(No. of Breaches of Principles) X

Product Complexity scale 
$$(1-5)$$

Higher the risk rating for calculated an ad, greater is the scope for misinterpretation by Consumers & mis-conveying critical information

ASIC REPORT 384 Regulating complex products —could be the basis of forming the product complexity scale through
consumer groups and industry colloboration



# Video Placeholder



## Unique propositions



- E2E in its architecture
  - Data ETL, ML services, Investigative workflows & Analytics within a single solution
  - Data scientists and investigative analysts can operate and collaborate within a single solution
- Process & analyse streaming & batch data in real time
  - Breaches can be detected in within 2-3 minutes.
- Modular functionality integrate through API's and micro services
  - Helping scale horizontally faster
- Industry and advertisers could potentially run a voluntary ad compliance check through another dedicated API



## General Challenges



- Diversity Image Sizes/Scaling, Resolution, Colour Palette, Noise, Video FPS etc
- Text Recognition OCR accuracy
- Unbalanced dataset.
- Small dataset for training, validation and testing.
- Rules Engine Principle Based



### **About Visteo Technologies**



- Based out of Sydney & India we are a technology company building bespoke fintech and regulatory solutions
- Our core management team has extensive domain experience of over 40 man years in financial services, in regulated functions and building analytical solutions in banking & markets
- We are team of ~ 75 engineers, designers and solution architects with extensive experience in cloud technologies, enterprise and open source.



#### Conclusion



- We appreciate the opportunity to participate in this world leading initiative by ASIC
- Firmly believe that ASIC problem statement can be successfully achieved with current Open Source technologies along with strong architecture, design and delivery capabilities.
- · Consumer groups viewpoint in addition to industry feedback is critical
- · We've provided an preliminary view of possible solutions and functionality, there are



Thank you!