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Transcribing audio from streaming input

This section demonstrates how to transcribe streaming audio, like the input from a microphone, to text.

Streaming speech recognition allows you to stream audio to Speech-to-Text and receive a stream speech recognition results in real time as the audio is processed. See also the [audio limits](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/quotas) (<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/quotas>) for streaming speech recognition requests. Streaming speech recognition is available [via gRPC](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/rpc/google.cloud.speech.v1) (<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/rpc/google.cloud.speech.v1>) only.

Note: To use streaming recognition to stop listening after the user speaks a single word, like in the case of voice commands, set the `single_utterance` field to `true` in the [StreamingRecognitionConfig](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/rpc/google.cloud.speech.v1#google.cloud.speech.v1.StreamingRecognitionConfig) (<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/rpc/google.cloud.speech.v1#google.cloud.speech.v1.StreamingRecognitionConfig>) object. The `single_utterance` flag tells the Speech API to end the transcription request once it detects that the speech has ended like at the end of a single word.

Performing streaming speech recognition on a local file

The Cloud Speech-to-Text v1 is officially released and is generally available from the <https://speech.googleapis.com/v1/speech> endpoint. The [Client Libraries](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/libraries) (<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/reference/libraries>) are released as Alpha and will likely be changed in backward-incompatible ways. The client libraries are currently not recommended for production use.

These samples require that you have set up `gcloud` and have created and activated a service account. For information about setting up `gcloud`, and also creating and activating a service account, see [Quickstart](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/quickstart) (<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/quickstart>).

Here is an example of performing streaming speech recognition on a local audio file:

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FEEDBACK (#)

```
static async Task<object> StreamingRecognizeAsync(string filePath)
{
    var speech = SpeechClient.Create();
    var streamingCall = speech.StreamingRecognize();
    // Write the initial request with the config.
    await streamingCall.WriteAsync(
        new StreamingRecognizeRequest()
        {
            StreamingConfig = new StreamingRecognitionConfig()
            {
                Config = new RecognitionConfig()
                {
                    Encoding =
                        RecognitionConfig.Types.AudioEncoding.Linear16,
                    SampleRateHertz = 16000,
                    LanguageCode = "en",
                },
                InterimResults = true,
            }
        });
    // Print responses as they arrive.
    Task printResponses = Task.Run(async () =>
    {
        while (await streamingCall.ResponseStream.MoveNext(
            default(CancellationTokens)))
        {
            foreach (var result in streamingCall.ResponseStream
                .Current.Results)
            {
                foreach (var alternative in result.Alternatives)
                {
                    Console.WriteLine(alternative.Transcript);
                }
            }
        }
    });
    // Stream the file content to the API. Write 2 32kb chunks per
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// second.
using (FileStream fileStream = new FileStream(filePath, FileMode.Open))
{
    var buffer = new byte[32 * 1024];
    int bytesRead;
    while ((bytesRead = await fileStream.ReadAsync(
        buffer, 0, buffer.Length)) > 0)
    {
        await streamingCall.WriteAsync(
            new StreamingRecognizeRequest()
            {
                AudioContent = Google.Protobuf.ByteString
                    .CopyFrom(buffer, 0, bytesRead),
            });
        await Task.Delay(500);
    };
}
await streamingCall.WriteCompleteAsync();
await printResponses;
return 0;
}
```

While you can stream a local audio file to the Speech-to-Text API, it is recommended that you perform [synchronous](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/sync-recognize) or [asynchronous](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/async-recognize) audio recognition for batch mode results.

Performing streaming speech recognition on an audio stream

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Cloud Speech-to-Text can also perform recognition on streaming, real-time audio.

Here is an example of performing streaming speech recognition on an audio stream received from a microphone:

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FEEDBACK (#)
static async Task<object> StreamingMicRecognizeAsync(int seconds)
{
    var speech = SpeechClient.Create();
    var streamingCall = speech.StreamingRecognize();
    // Write the initial request with the config.
    await streamingCall.WriteAsync(
        new StreamingRecognizeRequest()
        {
            StreamingConfig = new StreamingRecognitionConfig()
            {
                Config = new RecognitionConfig()
                {
                    Encoding =
                        RecognitionConfig.Types.AudioEncoding.Linear16,
                    SampleRateHertz = 16000,
                    LanguageCode = "en",
                },
                InterimResults = true,
            }
        });
    // Print responses as they arrive.
    Task printResponses = Task.Run(async () =>
    {
        while (await streamingCall.ResponseStream.MoveNext(
            default(CancellationTokens)))
        {
            foreach (var result in streamingCall.ResponseStream
                .Current.Results)
            {
                foreach (var alternative in result.Alternatives)
                {
                    Console.WriteLine(alternative.Transcript);
                }
            }
        }
    });
}
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        }
    }
}
});
// Read from the microphone and stream to API.
object writeLock = new object();
bool writeMore = true;
var waveIn = new NAudio.Wave.WaveInEvent();
waveIn.DeviceNumber = 0;
waveIn.WaveFormat = new NAudio.Wave.WaveFormat(16000, 1);
waveIn.DataAvailable +=
    (object sender, NAudio.Wave.WaveInEventArgs args) =>
    {
        lock (writeLock)
        {
            if (!writeMore)
            {
                return;
            }

            streamingCall.WriteAsync(
                new StreamingRecognizeRequest()
                {
                    AudioContent = Google.Protobuf.ByteString
                        .CopyFrom(args.Buffer, 0, args.BytesRecorded)
                }).Wait();
        }
    };
waveIn.StartRecording();
Console.WriteLine("Speak now.");
await Task.Delay(TimeSpan.FromSeconds(seconds));
// Stop recording and shut down.
waveIn.StopRecording();
lock (writeLock)
{
    writeMore = false;
}

await streamingCall.WriteCompleteAsync();
await printResponses;
return 0;
}
```

What's next

- Learn how to [transcribe an audio stream endlessly](https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/endless-streaming-tutorial)
(<https://cloud.google.com/speech-to-text/docs/endless-streaming-tutorial>)

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