# **VIP Shop, Chatbots in China**

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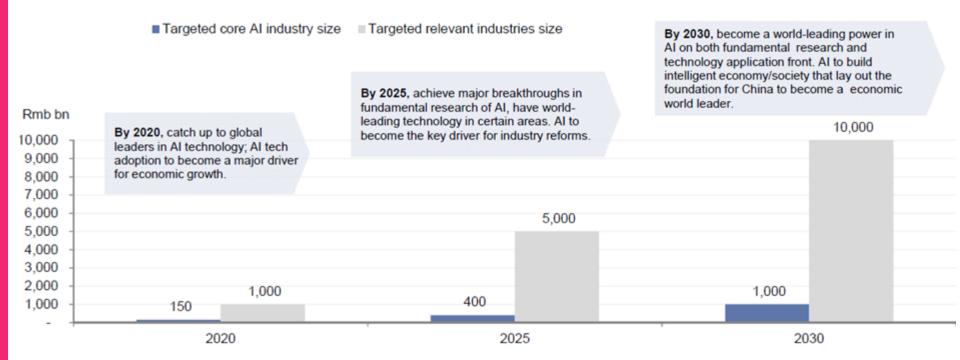
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#### **China's Rise in Artificial Intelligence**

#### China aims to become a world-leading power in AI by 2030

The strategic goals of the national development plan on Al



#### Source: The State Council of China 2017/07/18

## **China National Open Al Platforms**



#### **Automatic Driving Platform**



#### **Urban Brain Platform**

# **Tencent**腾讯

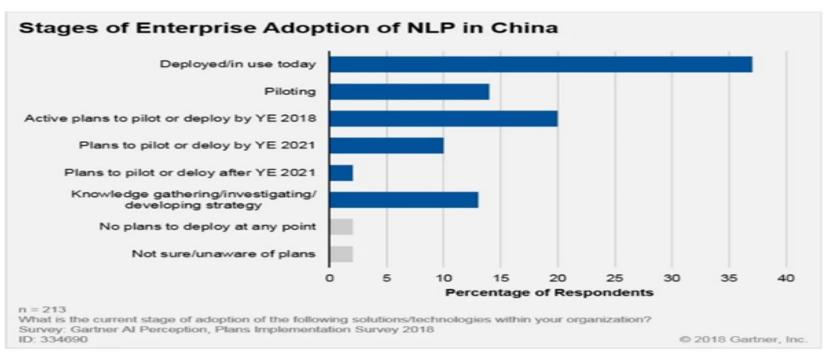
#### **Medical Imaging Platform**



**Intelligent Voice Platform** 

Source: The Ministry of Science and Technology 2017/11/15

## **Gartner's Investigation in Conversational AI**



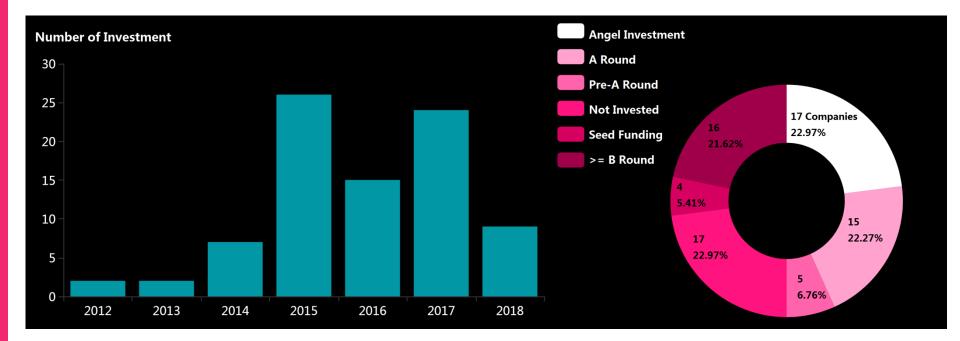
NLP = natural-language processing; YE = year-end

By 2022, the adoptions of Chinese NLP for Conversational AI applications by enterprises in China will exceed 80% – up from 51% currently

Source: Gartner June 2018

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# **China Investment in Conversational Startups**



76 Startup Companies, 88 Investments, Total Investment: 8.3 Billion RMB

#### Source: IT Juzi August 2018



Vendor	Product, Service or Solution Name	Services	
AlSpeech	HMI and Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Allbaba	Tmall.com Genuine Smart Speaker	NLP	
Baldu	DuerOS Platform and Speaker	STT, TTS, NLP	
Beljing Orion Star Technology	нмі	STT, TTS, NLP	
Beijing Ultrapower Software	Contextualization	NLP	
Emotibot	Virtual Assistant	NLP	
IBM	Virtual Assistant	NLP	
IFLYTEK	HMI and Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Intumit	Contextualization	NLP	
Laiye	wul.al for Chatbot	NLP	
Microsoft	Xlaoice Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Mobvol	НМІ	STT, TTS, NLP	
Nuance	HMI and Virtual Assistant	STT, NLP	
Olami	HMI and Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Pachira Information Technology	Contextualization	NLP	
Sogou	нмі	STT, TTS	
Tencent	Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Tricorn	Virtual Assistant	NLP	
Unisound	HMI and Virtual Assistant	STT, TTS, NLP	
Xiaoi	Virtual Assistant	NLP	
Zhulyi Shenzhen Chaoyi Technology	Virtual Assistant NLP		

# Representative Vendors in Conversational AI in China

AI = artificial intelligence; HMI = human-machine Interfaces; NLP = natural-language processing; STT = speech-to-text; TTS = text-to-speech

BAT & IFLYTEK

Microsoft /IBM /Nuance

Emotibot VIPS' Vendor

Source: Gartner June 2018

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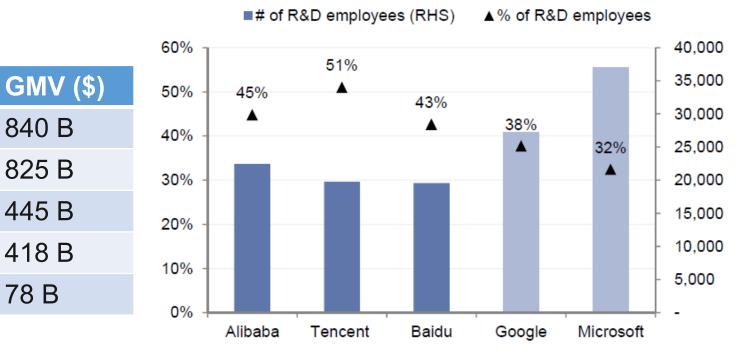
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## **BAT vs. Google/ Microsoft**



Yet the China internet giants are equipped with higher percentage of R&D human capital

Source: Company Data August 2018

Company

Google

Alibaba

Tencent

Baidu

Microsoft



## Baidu (All in Al) - DuerOS

DuerOS – AI conversational platform that empowers voice interface in various smart devices both at home and on the go(e.g., phones, smart speakers, robots, TVs, cars, wearables, etc.). Baidu partners with many consumer electronics and appliances brands in product design, the technology is also open to developers.

#### DuerOS's Installation: 90 Million devices, MAU 250 Million.

DuerOS Intelligent Tools Platform	Reference Design						
	Developer Tools			Industrial	Structure	Sound	DuerOS App
	Core Implementation	Chipset	Microphone Placement	Design	Design	Design	
DuerOS Speech Core System	Voice Recognition		Voice Broadcast		Monitor Display		
	NLP	Chat Status Control	Chat Management	ent Natural Language Generator		Search	
	Knowledge Graph	Web Graph	Needs Graph Geographical Graph		User Label		
DuerOS Skills Platform			Third Party Skill				
	Skill Development Tools						

Source: Company Data July 2018

## Alibaba – A world-leading use case of Al

Al-related technology at AliCloud

IaaS – Only Market Share of Top Five IaaS and IUS Providers, Worldwide, 2016-2017 (Millions of U.S. \$)

Vendor	2016	2017	2017 Market Share (%)	Annual Growth Rate (AGR)
Amazon	9,775	12,221	54.1%	25.0%
Microsoft	1,579	3,130	8.7%	98.2%
Alibaba	670	1,090	3.7%	62.7%
Google	500	780	2.8%	56.0%
IBM	297	457	1.6%	53.9%
Other Vendors	5,245	5,699	29.0%	8.6%
Total Market	18,066	23,377	100.0%	29.4%

IoT Cloud-based Integration Speech Tenology Image Technology Video Technology Services 400+ partner brands Intelligent Monitoring and End-to-End Deep Neural Analysis of Call-Center Audio Image Search Intelligent Industry Network Recordings Alink is the first national Offline index and online query standard for IoT platform for billions of photos accessing ID2 is the first ITU-T standard Pailitao's UV (unique visitor) over 10mn per day for IoT Device identity Comprehensive Analysis and Understanding of Voice, Audio, OCR (Optical Character Intelligent City Court Trial Transcription Recognition) OCR and other Multi-modality Signals Global winner of the ICDAR robust reading competition Identify malicious ads and detect illegal products Record Holder for Kitti Vision Voice Interaction System for Image Understanding Benchmark Suite Competition Intelligent Life Internet Car (90.46%)

> Semantic search based on cross-media retrieval Fully implemented on Taobao App

Source: Company Data 2018



Alibaba Smart living is the

platform in China

largest household appliance IoT

Source: Gartner June 2018

# Alibaba – Tmall Genie & AliMe

Tmall Genie - smart speaker published on Jul. 5<sup>th</sup> 2017 by Alibaba A.I. Labs



Global Smart Speaker Shipments by Vendor in Q1 2018 1

Globa	I Smart Speake	er Market by Vendo	r: Q1 2018 (Ship	ments in Millions of	f Units)
Vendor	Q1 '18	Q1 '18 Market	Q1 '17	Q1 '17 Market	Growth
	Shipments	Share	Shipments	Share	Y/Y
Amazon	4.0	43.6%	2.0	81.8%	102%
Google	2.4	26.5%	0.3	12.4%	709%
Alibaba	0.7	7.6%	0.0	0.0%	~
Apple	0.6	6.0%	0.0	0.0%	~
Xiaomi	0.2	2.4%	0.0	0.0%	~
Others	1.3	13.9%	0.1	5.8%	806%
Totals	9.2	100.0%	2.4	100.0%	278%

1 Numbers are rounded.

Source: Strategy Analytics Smart Speaker service May 2018

AliMe – VCA published on Jul. 24<sup>th</sup> 2015 by Alibaba Innovation Center

2017/11/11 one day served 9M customers,

Service rate 95% , Click-Through 93.1%

- Served Customer Calls 340 Million in 2017
- After Sales Service, Shopping Guide, Recommendation, Personal Assistance etc.
- Serving 100K+ e-Shops on Taobao/Tmall open market Platform
- Chinese/English/Spanish/Portuguese etc.

Source: Company Data 2018



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## **Tencent – largest Social Platform in China**

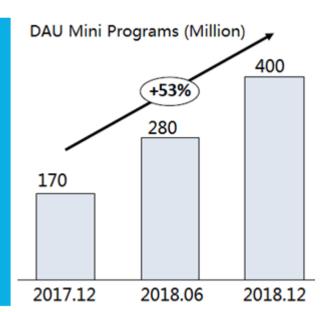


- Successful transition from PC to mobile > QQ IM 803 million 1
  - Mobile QQ<sup>2</sup>

- 709 million <sup>1</sup>
- Young, entertainment-oriented users
- Open platform + groups connect users to online content developers and interest groups



- Mobile-centric creation for smart phones Weixin & WeChat<sup>2</sup> 1.058 million<sup>1</sup>
- White-collar users
- **Official accounts + Mini Programs** connect users to content and service providers moving onto the mobile platform



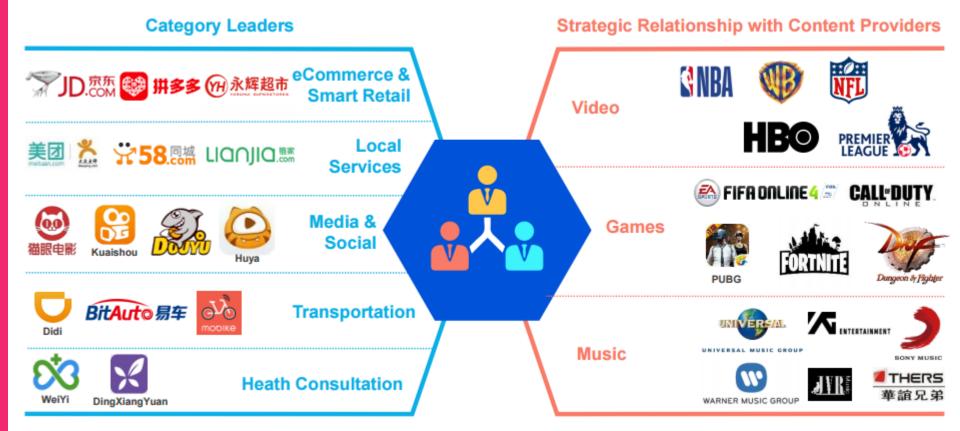
<sup>1</sup> Monthly active user accounts as of 30 June 2018 <sup>2</sup> For smart devices

#### Source: Company Data June 2018

Source: Aladin Index 2018



## **Tencent's Ecosystem**



Source: Company Data 2018/08/15

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#### **VIPShop:**Unique player in China's e-Commerce Landscape

- A world's leading flash sales platform, No.1 flash sales site in China
- **13,000** well-known domestic and global vendors and suppliers, warehouses in 10 countries
- 300M registered customers, 160M UV (2018/07-08), 60M MAU, 19M Super VIP members
- Repurchase rate: users 85%, orders 96%. Sales 2017: 72.9B RMB, Q2 2018: 20.7B RMB
- Third largest on-line retailer in China (by Fortune Magazine July 2018)



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Source: Market Realist 2018.08

## **VIPShop Customer Service Overview**



Multi-Channels: app, pc, wap, wechat official account, QQ official account, lefeng app, app station B, wechat mini programs...**16 channels** Multi-Platforms: wechat, app, web, ios

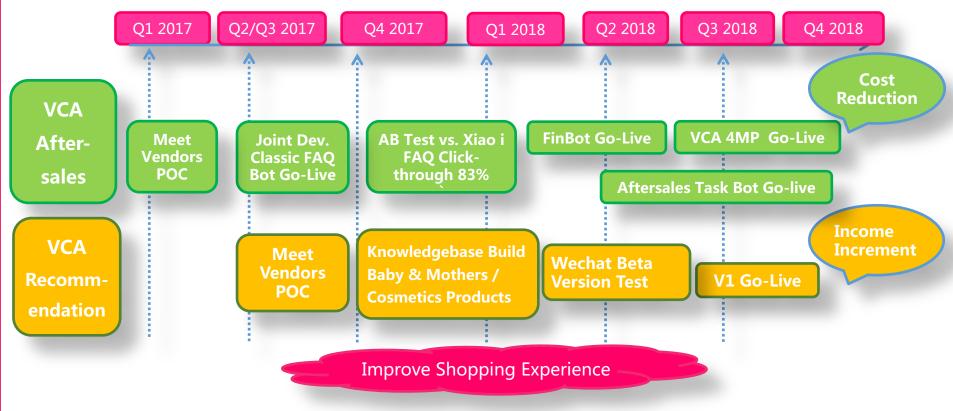
**100 Million** Incoming Calls per Year **24\*7\*365** Customer Support Supporting **1500** Agent Seats Agents(Voice/IM), IVR, ACS, VCA

#### **VIP** Finance

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# **Our VCA Journey**

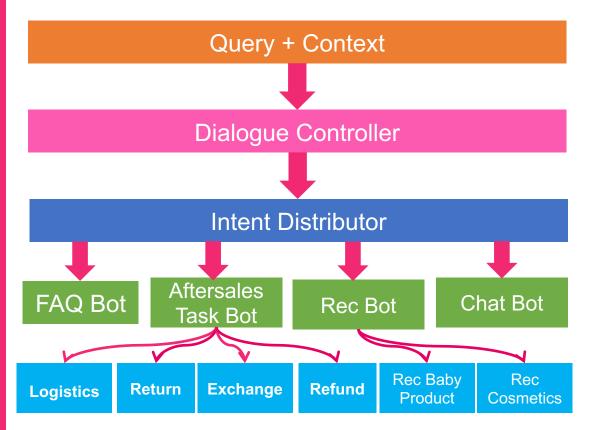


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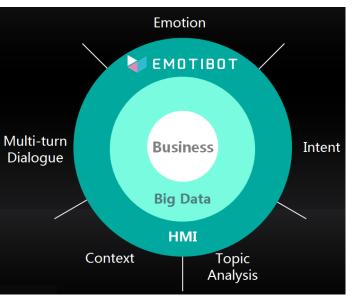
VCA: Virtual Customer Assistant

# **VCA Multi-Bots Platform**





**Engine powered by Emotibot** Gartner selected representative Vendor in Conversational AI in China

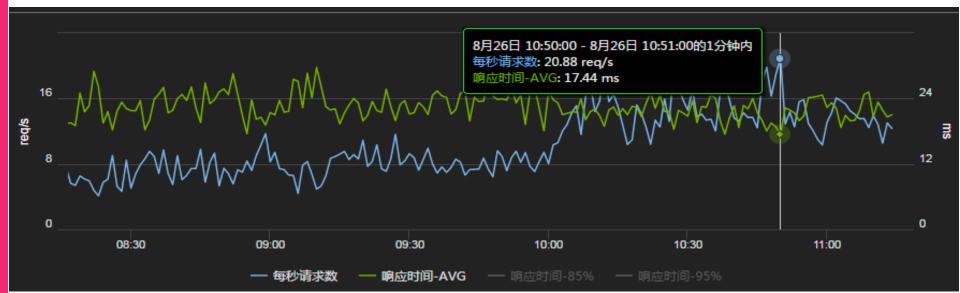


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# VCA Classic FAQ (e.g. APP)

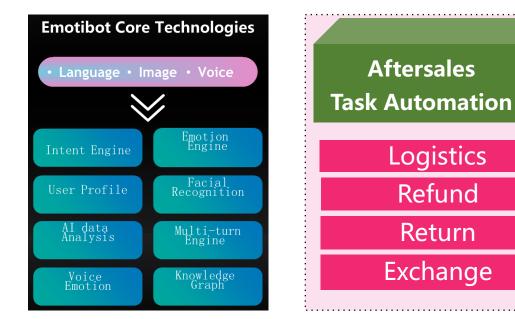
100K+ Incoming Calls Daily
99% Latency: < 30 Milliseconds</li>
30 QPS, 800 QPS by Big Sales
90% Semantic Accuracy
85% Click Through

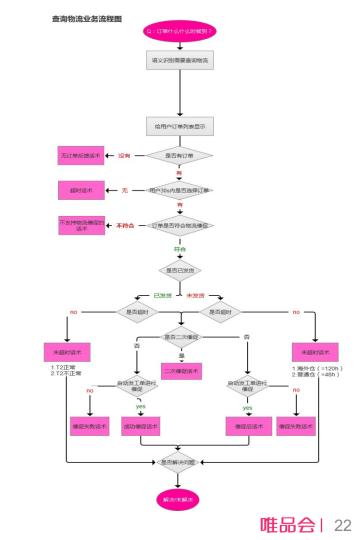
- 7000+ Standard Qs in FAQ
- 300K Labeled Qs vs. Xiao i (30K Rules)
- 60 Conversations /Agent/Day
- 60K RMB annual salary /Agent
- 85M RMB cost reduction /Year



# **VCA Aftersales Task Bot**

- 4 high frequent aftersales tasks: 54%
- 97% Intent Distribution Accuracy
- Static Decision Tree Dialogues
- Timeout < 800 Milliseconds</p>
- 80% Task Completion Rate





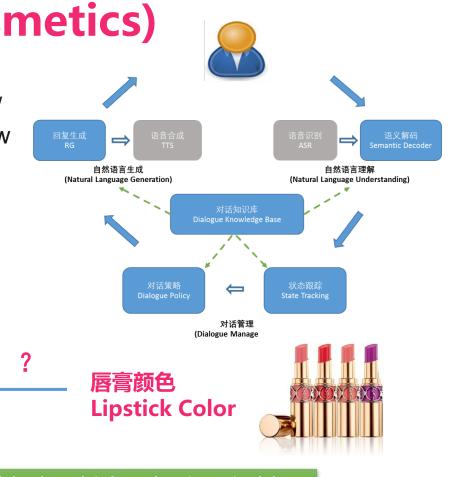
# VCA REC Bot (e.g. Cosmetics)

- 1M products in Knowledgebase
- 5 big Intent Categories: Recommendation/ Ask Opinion/Product QA/Change/Workflow
- 90% Intent Semantic Accuracy

用户画像

**User Profiling** 

- 85% Attribute Recognition Accuracy
- Task Completion Rate/Click Rate and Conversion Rate – need to be proved



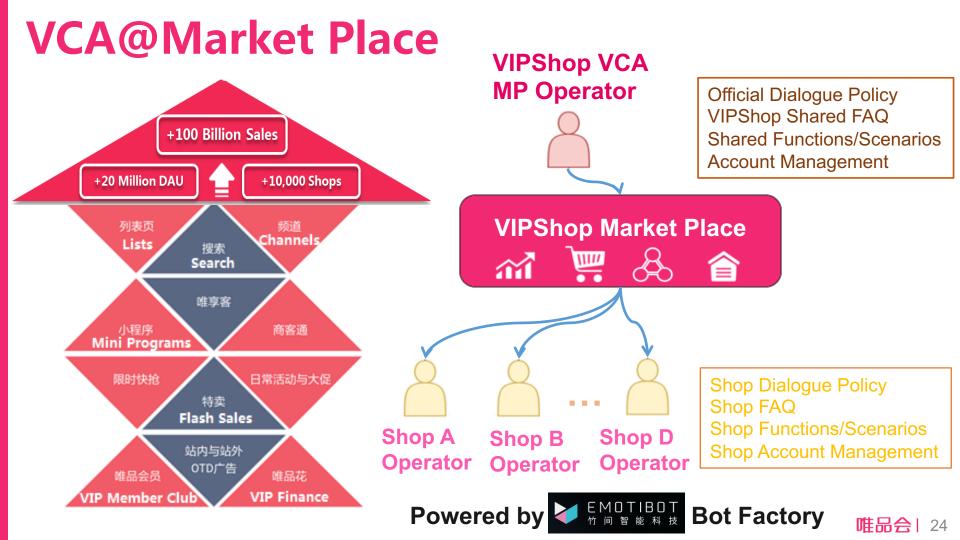
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