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# Migrating a legacy ASP.NET 2-tiered application to Azure using Container Services - Hands-On-Labs step-by-step

#### Abstract and Learning Objectives

This workshop enables anyone to learn, understand and build a Proof of Concept, in performing a multi-tiered legacy ASP.NET web application using Microsoft SQL Server database, platform migration to Azure public cloud, leveraging on different Azure Platform Azure A Service (PaaS) and Azure Container Services.

After an introductory module on cloud app migration strategies and patterns, students get introduced to the basics of automating Azure resources deployments using Visual Studio and Azure Resource Manager (ARM) templates. Next, attendees will learn about Microsoft SQL database migration to SQL Azure PaaS, as well as deploying and migrating Azure Web Apps.

After these foundational platform components, the workshop will totally focus on the core concepts and advantages of using containers for running web apps, based on Docker, Azure Container Registry (ACR), Azure Container Instance (ACI), as well as how to enable container cloud-scale using Azure Container Services (ACS) with Kubernetes and Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS).

The focus of the workshop is having a Hands-On-Labs experience, by going through the following exercises and tasks:

- Deploying a 2-tier Azure Virtual Machine (Webserver and SQL database Server) using ARM-template automation with Visual Studio 2017;
- Migrating a legacy SQL 2012 database to Azure SQL PaaS (Lift & Shift);
- Migrating a legacy ASP.NET web application to Azure Web Apps (Lift & Shift);
- Containerizing a legacy ASP.NET web application using Docker;
- Running Azure Container Instance (ACI) from an Azure Container Registry (ACR) image;
- Deploy and run Azure Container Services (ACS) with Kubernetes;
- Deploy and run Azure Kubernetes Services (AKS);
- Managing and Monitoring Azure Container Services (ACS) and Azure Kubernetes Services (AKS);



#### Hands-On-Lab Scenario

The baseline of the hands-on-lab scenario is starting from an 8-year-old legacy ASP.NET application, developed around 2010, currently offering a product catalog browsing web page, pulling the product catalog list from a legacy Microsoft SQL Server 2012 database, running on dedicated Windows Server 2012 R2 Virtual Machines. (This could be seen as a subset of a larger application landscape within your organization, think of manufacturing database information, HR solutions, e-commerce platforms,... and alike). Imagine this application is running in our on-premises datacenter, where you want to perform an "application digital migration" to Azure Public cloud. You will use several Azure cloud-native services and solutions, ranging from Virtual Machines, Platform Services and different Container Solutions on Azure.

#### Requirements

#### Naming Conventions:

IMPORTANT: Most Azure resources require unique names. Throughout these steps you will see the word "[SUFFIX]" as part of resource names. You should replace this with your initials, guaranteeing those resources get uniquely named.

#### Azure Subscription:

Participants need a "pay-as-you-go", MSDN or other paid Azure subscription

#### a) Azure Trial subscriptions won't work

- b) In one of the Azure Container Services tasks, you are required to create an Azure AD Service Principal, wich typically requires an Azure subscription owner to log in to create this object. If you don't have the owner right in your Azure subscription, you could ask another person to execute this step for you.
- c) The Azure subscription must allow you to run enough cores, used by the baseline Virtual Machines, but also later on in the tasks when deploying the Azure Container Services, where ACS agent and master machines are getting set up. If you follow the instructions as written out in the lab guide, you need 12 cores.
- d) If you run this lab setup in your personal or corporate Azure payable subscription, using the configuration as described in the lab guide, the estimated Azure consumption costs for running the setups during the 2 days of the workshop is \$20.

#### Other requirements:

Participants need a local client machine, running a recent Operating System, allowing them to:

- browse to https://portal.azure.com from a most-recent browser;
- establish a secured Remote Desktop (RDP) session to a lab-jumpVM running Windows Server 2016;



#### Alternative Approach:

Where the lab scenario assumes all exercises will be performed from within the lab-jumpVM, (since several tools will be installed on the lab-jumpVM or are already installed by default), participants could also execute (most, if not all...) steps from their local client machine.

The following tools are being used throughout the lab exercises:

- Visual Studio 2017 community edition (updated to latest version)
- Docker for Windows (updated to latest version)
- Azure CLI 2.0 (updated to latest version)
- Kubernetes CLI (updated to latest version)

Make sure you have these tools installed prior to the workshop, if you are not using the lab-jumpVM. You should also have full administrator rights on your machine to execute certain steps within using these tools.

#### Final Remarks:

VERY IMPORTANT: You should be typing all of the commands as they appear in the guide, except where explicitly stated in this document. Do not try to copy and paste from Word to your command windows or other documents where you are instructed to enter information shown in this document. There can be issues with Copy and Paste from Word or PDF that result in errors, execution of instructions, or creation of file content.

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#### Lab 6: Deploy and run Azure Container Services (ACS) with Kubernetes;

#### What you will learn

After having deployed Docker images as a stand-alone Azure Container Instance and Azure Web App for Containers, you move on with the more serious container solution in Azure, Azure Container Services (ACS) with Kubernetes. Starting from the deployment of the ACS resources in Azure using Azure CloudShell, you will again integrate the webvmsamplesitedocker Docker image, and run it in a Kubernetes cluster.

#### Time Estimate

This lab is estimated to take 60min

#### Task 1: Deploying Azure Container Services (ACS) using Azure CloudShell

- 1. From the lab-jumpVM, **Open PowerShell**. (depending on your machine state, it might be required to authenticate to Azure again before Azure CLI can be used, using **az login**).
- 2. Run the following command to create a new Azure Resource Group for our ACS resources:

```
az group create --name [SUFFIX] AKSWinRG --location EastUS
```

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\Users\labadmin> az group create --name ADSAKSWinRG --location EastUS

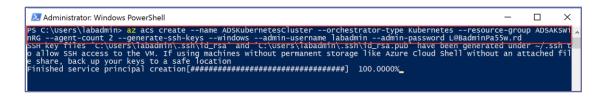
{    "id": "/subscriptions/0a407898-c077-442d-8e17-71420aa82426/resourceGroups/ADSAKSWinRG",
    "location": "eastus",
    "managedBy": null,
    "name": "ADSAKSWinRG",
    "properties": {
        "provisioningState": "Succeeded"
    }
    *tags": null
}

PS C:\Users\labadmin> ____
```

3. With the Resource Group in place, execute the following command to deploy the Azure Container Service itself, using Kubernetes as the orchestrator type:

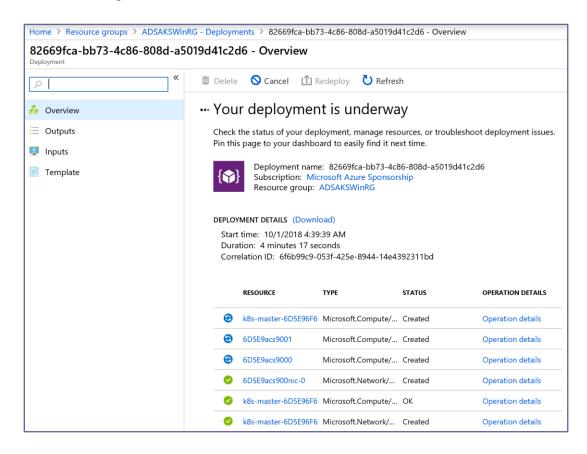
```
az acs create --name ADSKubernetesCluster --orchestrator-type Kubernetes --resource-group ADSAKSWinRG --agent-count 2 -- generate-ssh-keys --windows --admin-username azureuser --admin-password L@BadminPa55w.rd
```





- 4. **Note** the informational message about the SSH keys. These are stored in the C:\Users\labadmin\.ssh folder
- 5. **Wait for** the deployment to succeed. A JSON output should be visible in the CloudShell with the Azure Container Services details. This could take up to 10 minutes on average.

Intermittently checking back in the Azure Resource Group, will show the different Azure Resources being created.



6. A successful deployment shows you the JSON output of the ACS resources



7. Next, **get the credentials to authenticate** to the **Azure Container Services cluster**, using the following command:

```
az acs kubernetes get-credentials --resource-group
[SUFFIX]akswinrg --name [SUFFIX]kubernetescluster
```

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\Users\labadmin> az acs kubernetes get-credentials --resource-group adsakswinrg --name adskubernetescluster
PS C:\Users\labadmin> _
```

and if you run it again:

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\Users\labadmin> az acs kubernetes get-credentials --resource-group adsakswinrg --name adskubernetescluster
Merged "adskuberne-adsakswinrg-0a4078mgmt" as current context in C:\Users\labadmin\.kube\config
PS C:\Users\labadmin> _
```

- 8. In order to manage the Kubernetes cluster we deployed, one **needs to install the Kubectl command line** tool. This is done using the following command:
  - az acs kubernetes install-cli

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\Users\\labadminn az acs kubernetes install-cli

pownloading client to "c:\Users\\labadmin\.azure-kubectl\kubectl.exe" from "https://storage.googleapis.com/kubernetes-rel
ease/release/v1.12.0/bin/windows/amd64/kubectl.exe"

Please add "C:\Users\\labadmin\.azure-kubectl" to your search PATH so the `kubectl.exe` can be found. 2 options:

1. Run "set PATH=%PATH%;C:\Users\\labadmin\.azure-kubectl" or "$env:path += 'c:\Users\\labadmin\.azure-kubectl'" for P
owershell. This is good for the current command session.

2. Update system PATH environment variable by following "Control Panel->System->Advanced->Environment Variables", and
d re-open the command window. You only need to do it once
```



9. As well as **updating the Path variable**, by running the following PowerShell command:

\$env:path += 'C:\users\labadmin\.azure-kubectl'

10. To validate our Kubernetes cluster, initiate the following kubectl command:

kubectl get nodes

11. The different nodes refer to the **Kubernetes resources** running in Azure, which can be seen from within the **Azure Resource Group** that holds the Kubernetes cluster. **Note each node** refers to an Azure Virtual Machine.



#### Task 2: Integrating Azure Container Registry docker image with ACS for Kubernetes

 To allow Kubernetes to pull our Docker image from the Azure Container Registry, we need to define an Azure Service Principal object, which integrates with RBAC. Create the Service Principal as follows, from within your PowerShell window:

az ad sp create-for-rbac --skip-assignment

```
PŠ C:\Users\labadmin> az ad sp create-for-rbac --skip-assignment

{
    "appId": "ae0ad426-af05-4a6a
    "displayName": "azure-cli-2018-10-02-01-23-15",
    "name": "http://azure-cli-2018-10-02-01-23-15",
    "password": "db15d3c5-cf02-4
    ",
    "tenant": "70681eb4-8dbc
}
PS C:\Users\labadmin> _
```

Since we need parts of this information later on, might be good to copy this to a Notepad



doc for easy retrieval.

- 2. This command creates an applicationID, provides displayname and tenant information that you need later on in the Kubernetes YAML-file (similar to the Dockerfile we used earlier, but for Kubernetes deployments).
- 3. Next item information we need is the **full Azure Resource ID for our Azure Container Registry**. This information **can be retrieved** using the following command:

```
az acr show --name [SUFFIX]ACR --query "id" --output table
```

```
Administrator: Windows PowerShell

PS C:\Users\labadmin> az acr show --name ADSACR --query "id"
"/subscriptions/0a407898-c077-442d-8e17-71420aa82426/resourceGroups/ADS-dockerRG/providers/Microsoft.ContainerRegistry/registries/ADSACR"
PS C:\Users\labadmin> _
```

Since we need parts of this information later on, might be good to **copy this to a Notepad doc** for easy retrieval.

4. Next, **assign the contributor role** for the previously created "appid", to this ACR object, by executing the following command:

```
az role assignment create --assignee "appid" --scope "ACRid" --
role contributor
```

which maps like this in my environment (replaced some characters for security reasons):

```
az role assignment create --assignee "ae0ad426-af05-4a6a-0000-00000000" --scope "/subscriptions/0a407898-c077-0000-0000-7142000000000/resourceGroups/ADS-
```

dockerRG/providers/Microsoft.ContainerRegistry/registries/ADSACR"
--role contributor

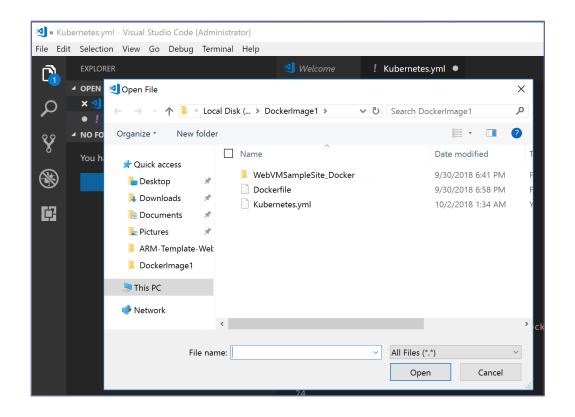


With all the back-end information and RBAC Service Principals in place, we **can build our YAML-deployment file for Kubernetes**. Key information in here is the name of your Azure Container Registry, the Docker container file that you want to push to the Kubernetes cluster, and what port the container should run on.

5. Start with **creating a new empty "Kubernetes.yml" file** on your lab-jumpVM machine, using the following **PowerShell commands**:

6. Next, open the kubernetes.yml file in Visual Studio Code (a much better editor than Notepad (3)), by Starting Visual Studio Code from the Start Screen | File | Open | browse to the kubernetes.yml file





# Paste in the following lines of code: apiVersion: apps/v1beta1 kind: Deployment metadata: name: kubernetessample spec: replicas: 1 strategy: rollingUpdate: maxSurge: 1 maxUnavailable: 1 minReadySeconds: 5 template: metadata: labels:



app: kubernetessample spec: containers: name: adsacr image: adsacr.azurecr.io/webvmsamplesitedocker3:latest ports: containerPort: 80 imagePullSecrets: name: acr-auth apiVersion: v1 kind: Service metadata: name: kubernetessample spec: type: LoadBalancer ports: port: 80 selector: app: kubernetessample



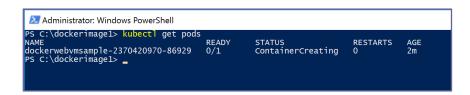
- 7. Replacing the image URL to your specific Azure Container Registry name:
  - name: [SUFFIX]acr.azurecr.io/webvmsamplesitedocker3:latest
- 8. Save the kubernetes.yml file
- 9. Now we are ready to run the actual kubernetes deployment, running the following command:

```
kubectl create -f "path to your yaml file"
```



10. While this command **should complete immediately**, it is **no guarantee** our container is already deployed into the Kubernetes pod. But you already know **you can validate this** by running the following command:

kubectl get pods



11. This shows different status output, from ContainerCreating to Running; repeat the same command a few times to see the full process happening in the back-end. (in my lab setup here, it took about 8 minutes before the status changed to Running, fyi)

12. Similar to the Docker container running on our local lab-VM several labs back, we need to check on the actual Public IP-address of this running container. This can be retrieved using the following command:

Kubectl get service dockerwebvmsample --watch

13. **Testing the container** is actually running and exposing the web application, requires browsing to the EXTERNAL-IP from an internet browser





- 14. In a later lab, you will learn how to perform more detailed Azure Container Services monitoring for Kubernetes.
- 15. This completes this lab.

#### Summary

In this lab, you deployed an Azure Container Service (ACS) for Kubernetes, as well as learned how to push a Docker image from your Azure Container Registry repository into this ACS Kubernetes cluster.



For any further information or references, please have a look at the following Microsoft Docs around containers:

https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/overview/containers/

https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/kubernetes-service/

https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/app-service/containers/

https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/container-registry/

https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/container-instances/

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/aks/

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