



DAT219x

Provisioning Databases

Lab 00 | Getting Started

Estimated time to complete this lab is 60 minutes

Overview

In this lab, you will provision a Microsoft Azure Virtual Machine (VM) that will be used by all labs in this course. Once the VM is provisioned, you will complete the setup required to support the labs.

The labs in this course are accumulative. You cannot complete the following labs if this lab has not been successfully completed.

What You'll Need

To complete this lab, you will need the following:

- High-speed and reliable internet connectivity (for remote connections to the VM)
- A second monitor is recommended (for the Remote Desktop connection)
- A Microsoft account (such as one used for outlook.com, Hotmail, or other Microsoft services)
- A Microsoft Azure subscription
- The lab files for this course (available for download from GitHub, as described in this lab)

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Exercise 1: Provisioning an Azure VM

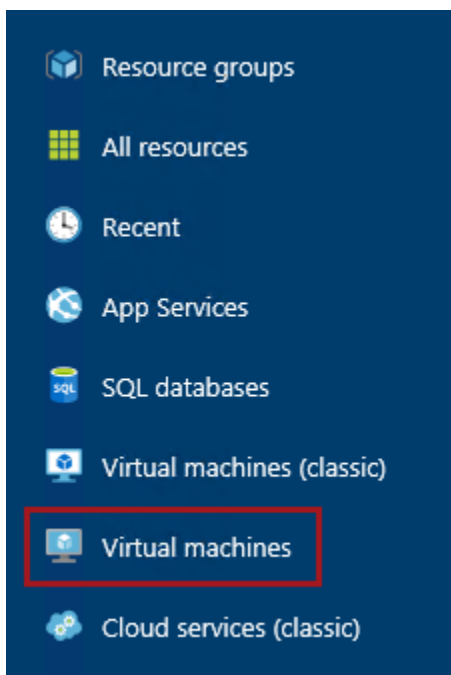
In this exercise, having signed in to the Azure Portal by using your Azure subscription, you will provision an Azure VM to support all labs for this course.

The Azure VM should be stopped when you have completed a lab so that your subscription is not charged (for free trial subscriptions, this will ensure you will have sufficient credits left to complete the labs over the duration of the course).

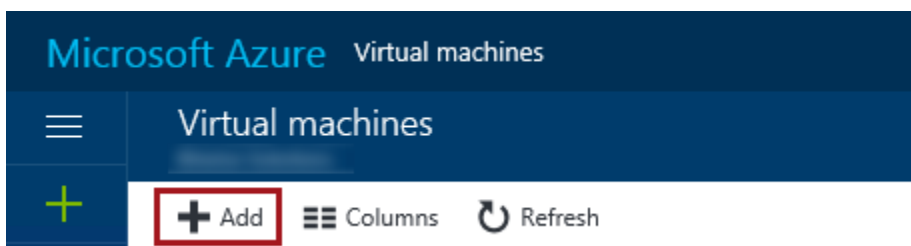
Provisioning an Azure VM

In this task, you will sign in to the Azure Portal, and then provision an Azure VM.

1. Sign in to the **Azure Portal** by using your subscription.
2. In the left pane, select **Virtual Machines**—do not select **Virtual Machines (Classic)**.

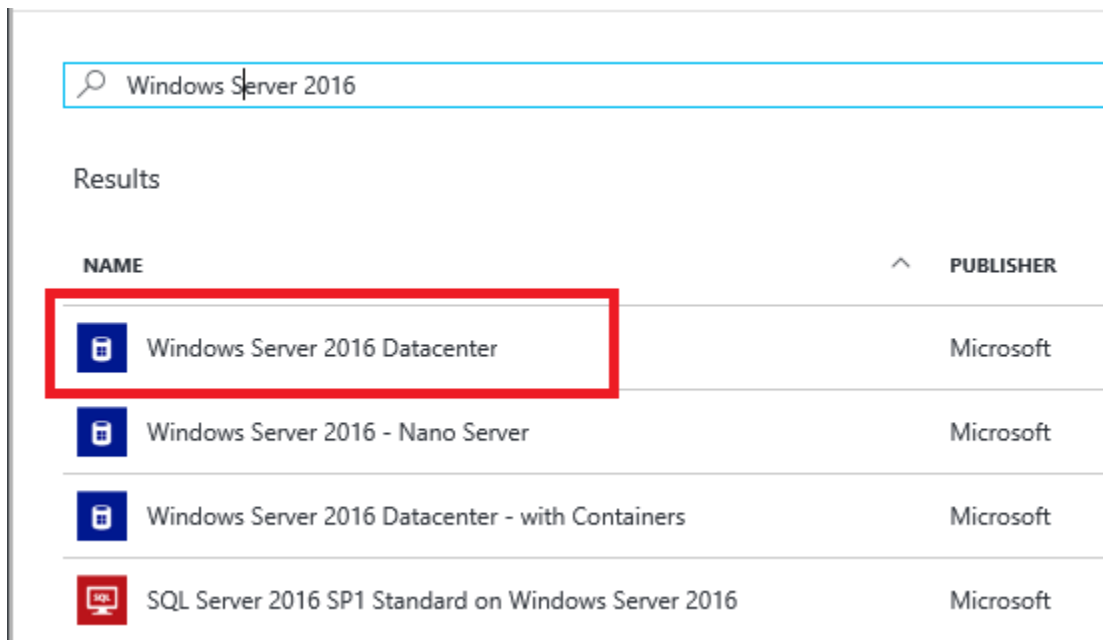


3. In the **Virtual Machines** blade, click **Add**.

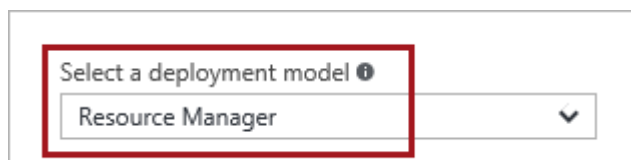


4. In the **Virtual Machines** blade, in the search box, enter **Windows Server 2016**, and then press **Enter**.

5. Select the **Windows Server 2016 Datacenter** image.



6. In the image blade, review the text that describes the virtual machine setup.
7. In the lower section of the blade, in the **Select a Deployment Model** dropdown list, ensure that **Resource Manager** is selected.



8. To provision the virtual machine, click **Create**.



9. Notice that the **Create Virtual Machine** blade opens, and that also the **Basics** blade (step 1) opens.
10. In the **Name** box, enter a name for the virtual machine (this will become the name of the machine).
11. In the **VM Disk Type** dropdown list, select **HDD**.
12. In the **User Name** box and **Password** boxes, enter appropriate values (this will become the machine administrator account).

The password must be at least 12 characters in length, and must have three of the following: one lower case character, one upper case character, one number, or one special character.





Be sure to securely record these credentials, as you will be required to use them to sign in every time you will connect to the VM.

13. In the **Resource Group** box, enter **Lab**.
14. In the **Location** box, select a data center that is near you.
15. Click **OK**.



16. In the **Choose a Size** blade, scroll down to locate and select the **DS1_V2** size.

The labs in this course will not require excessive storage, memory or processing. Also, you will be prompted to deallocate your VM between labs, and so the monthly cost will only apply when the VM is running.

D1_V2 Standard		★
1	Core	
3.5	GB	
	2 Data disks	
	2x500 Max IOPS	
	50 GB Local SSD	
	Load balancing	

17. Click **Select**.



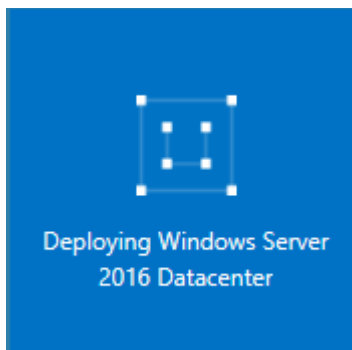
18. In the **Settings** blade, to accept the default settings, click **OK**.



19. In the **Summary** blade, click **OK**.



20. On the **Azure Portal** dashboard, notice the tile displaying the status of the deployment process.



The deployment usually takes 15-20 minutes to complete, and this time depends largely on the VM size selected. The VM blade will open when the deployment completes.

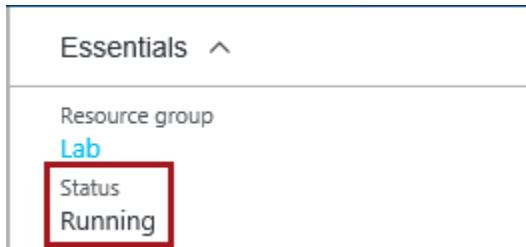
You cannot proceed to the next task until the deployment completes.

21. Leave the **Azure Portal** dashboard page open.

Connecting to the VM

In this task, once the VM has successfully deployed, you will connect to the VM.

1. In the VM blade, notice that the VM blade automatically opens, and that the VM status is **Running**.



*You are charged when the VM status is **Running**, but you are not charged—except for a relatively smaller storage cost—when the VM status is **Stopped (Deallocated)**.*

Each lab will include steps to remind you to stop and optionally deallocate the VM between labs. You should consider doing this if you choose to commence the next lab at a later time.

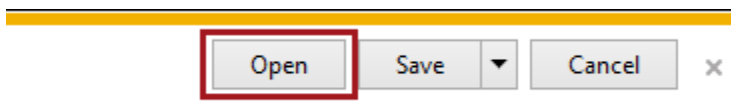
2. To connect to the VM, click **Connect** and click **Save**.



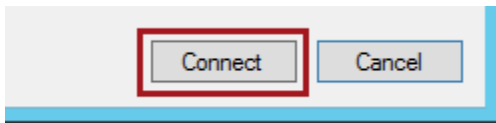
A Remote Desktop File (.rdp) file is downloaded to the desktop.

This file can be used to reconnect to the remote desktop session, but note that if you deallocate the VM and later re-start the VM, it will be likely that a different IP address will be assigned.

3. When prompted by the web browser to open the Remote Desktop File, click **Open**.



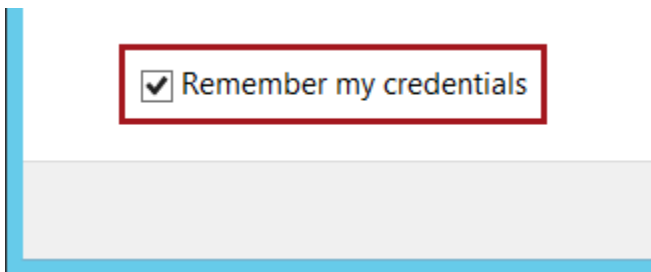
4. If prompted to connect to the unknown publisher, click **Connect**.



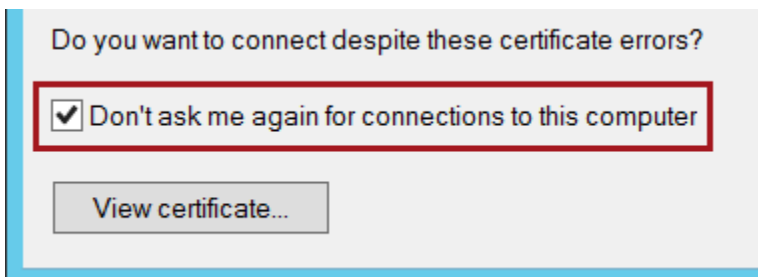
To enter your credentials, you may need to select **More Choices**, and then select **Use a Different Account**.



5. In the **Windows Security** window, enter the credentials you created for your VM.
6. Check the **Remember Me** or the **Remember My Credentials** checkbox.



7. Click **OK**.
8. In the **Remote Desktop Connection** window, check the **Don't Ask Me Again for Connections to This Computer** checkbox.



9. Click **Yes**.
10. If you have a second monitor, maximize the Remote Desktop window inside a single monitor.

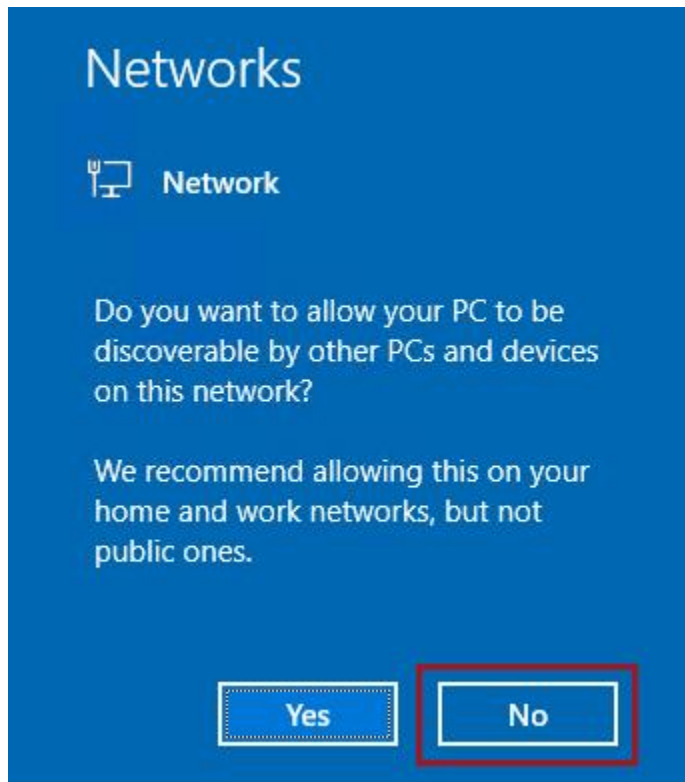
Exercise 2: Setting Up the Azure VM

In this exercise, you will complete several VM setup tasks.

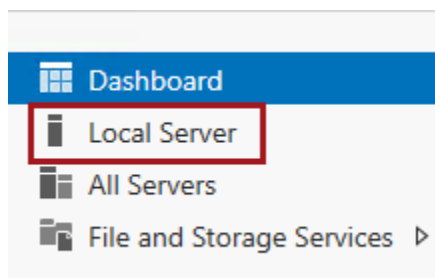
Configuring the Server

In this task, you will configure the server to support the lab experience.

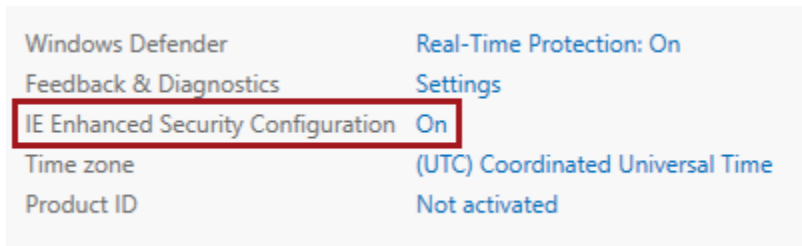
1. In the Remote Desktop window, when the **Networks** panel opens at the right, to ensure that the machine is not discoverable by other machines, click **No**.



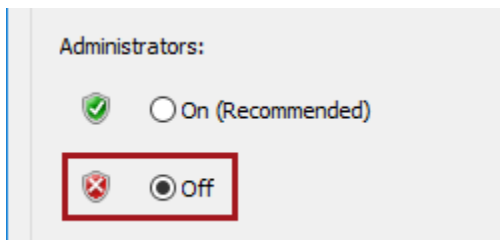
2. Wait until **Server Manager** opens (it is set to open automatically).
3. In **Server Manager**, in the left pane, select **Local Server**.



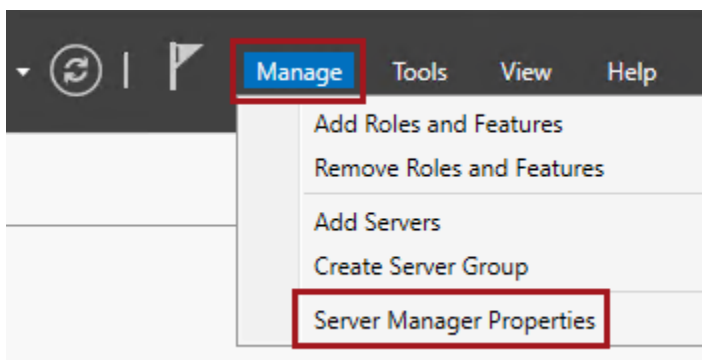
4. In the **Properties** pane, notice that **IE Enhanced Security Configuration** is set to **On**.



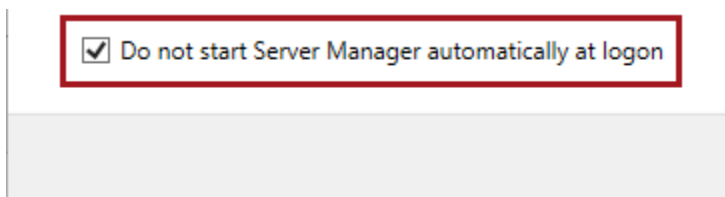
5. Click the **On** link.
6. In the window, for **Administrators**, select the **Off** option.



7. Click **OK**.
8. Located at the top-right corner, select **Manage**, and then select **Server Manager Properties**.

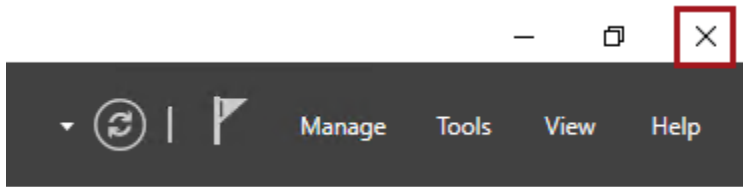


9. In the window, check the **Do Not Start Server Manager Automatically at Logon**.



10. Click **OK**.

11. To close Server Manager, located at the top-right corner, click **X**.

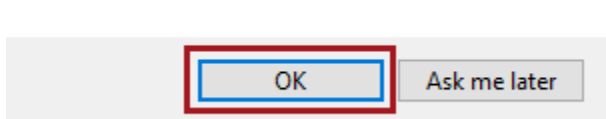


Installing the Lab Resources

1. In this task, you will download and extract the lab resources that support the labs.
2. To open Internet Explorer, on the taskbar, click the Internet Explorer shortcut.



3. In the Internet Explorer 11 window, to accept the recommended settings, click OK.



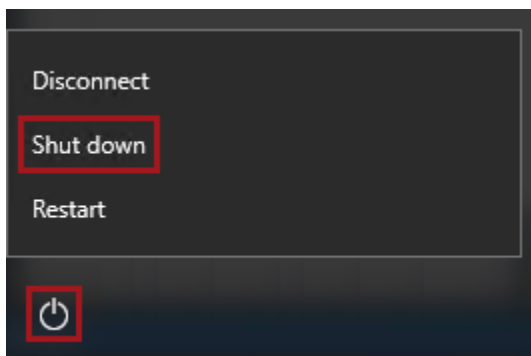
4. Maximize the Internet Explorer window.
5. Navigate to the following link: <https://aka.ms/edx-dat219x-sql> (Note: this is a direct download link)
6. Close **Internet Explorer**.

*If you are not immediately continuing with the next lab, you should complete the **Finishing Up** exercise to shut down and stop the VM.*

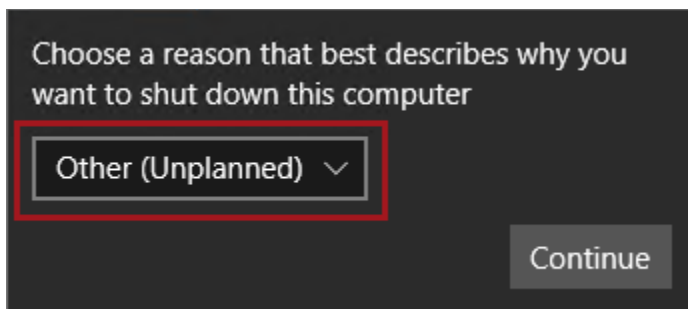
Finishing Up

In this exercise, you will shut down and stop the VM.

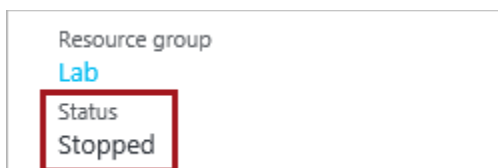
1. Close all open applications.
2. Press the **Windows** key, and then in the **Start** page, located at the bottom-left, click the **Power** button, and then select **Shut Down**.



3. When prompted to choose a reason, to accept the default.



4. Click **Continue**.
5. In the **Azure Portal** Web browser page, wait until the status of the VM updates to **Stopped**.



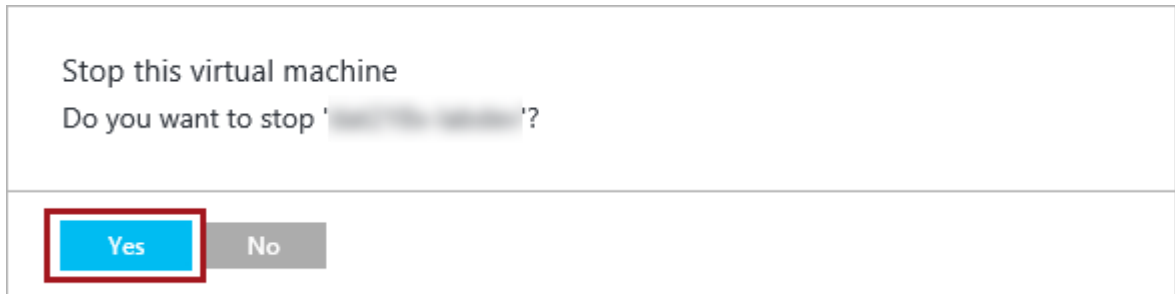
In this state, however, the VM is still billable.

- Optionally, to deallocate the VM, click **Stop**.

Deallocation will take some minutes to complete, and also extends the time required to restart the VM. Consider deallocating the VM if you want to reduce costs, or if you choose to complete the next lab after an extended period.

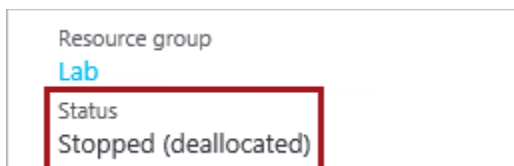


- When prompted to stop the VM, click **Yes**.



The deallocation can take several minutes to complete.

- Verify that the VM status updates to **Stopped (Deallocated)**.



In this state, the VM is now not billable—except for a relatively smaller storage cost.

Note that a deallocated VM will likely acquire a different IP address the next time it is started.

- Sign out of the **Azure Portal**.