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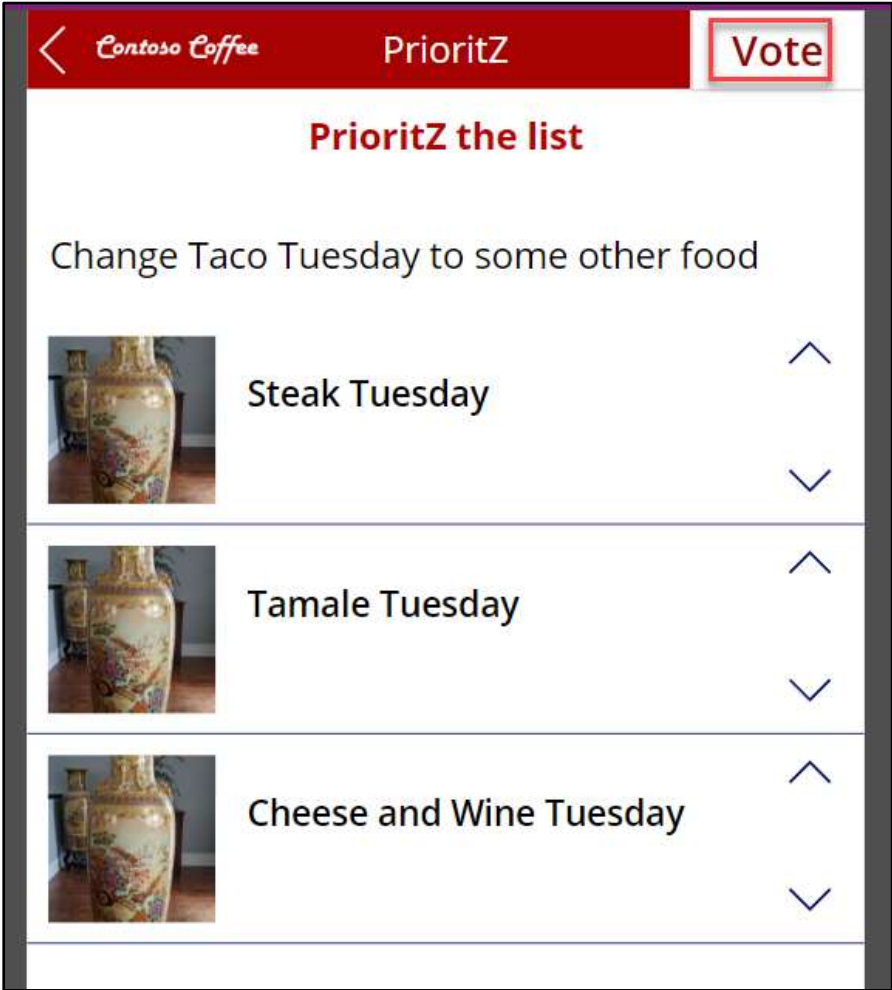


# Power Up Low Code with Pro Code

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Workshop Material: [aka.ms/BuildPRE07](https://aka.ms/BuildPRE07)

# What we'll be covering



Demos				
Set up and Power Platform Overview	ALM	Dev Tooling	Custom Connector	UI Components



# Sign up for a demo environment

**[Aka.ms/PowerAppsDevPlan](https://aka.ms/PowerAppsDevPlan)**



# Power Platform Overview

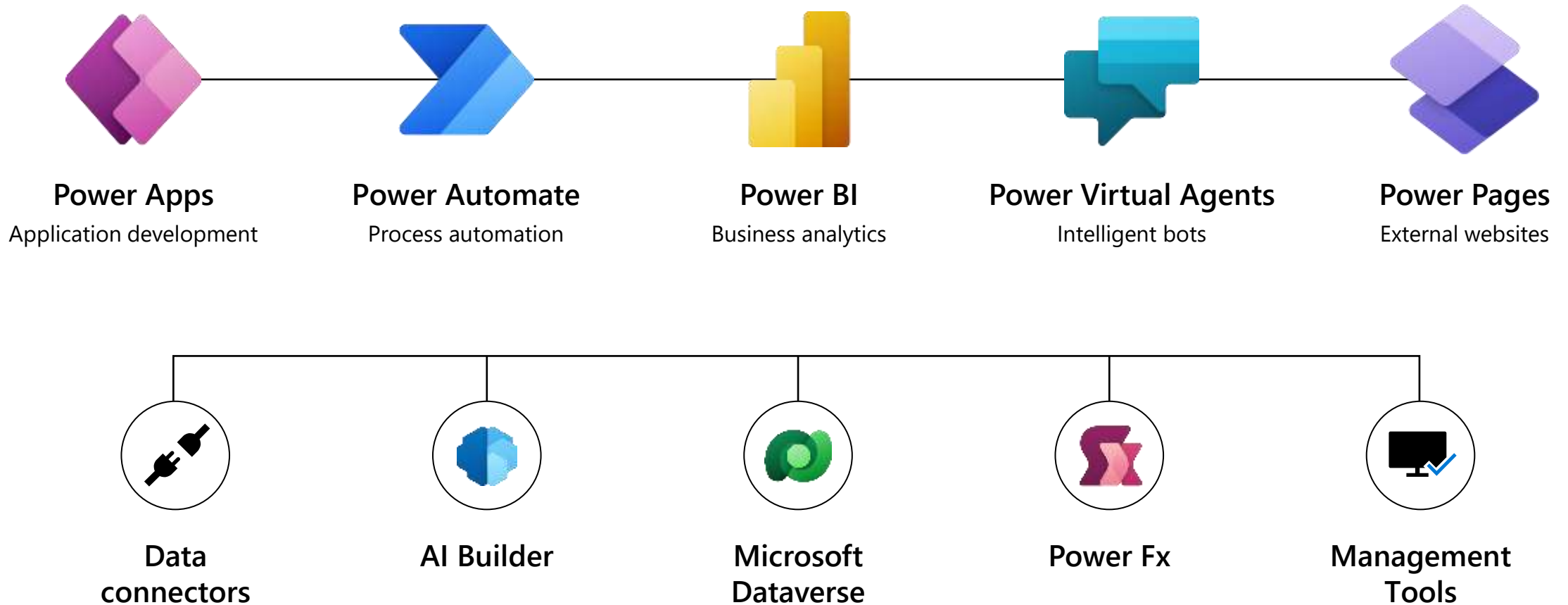
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# Agenda

- Power Platform Overview
- Demo
- Environment Setup

# Microsoft Power Platform

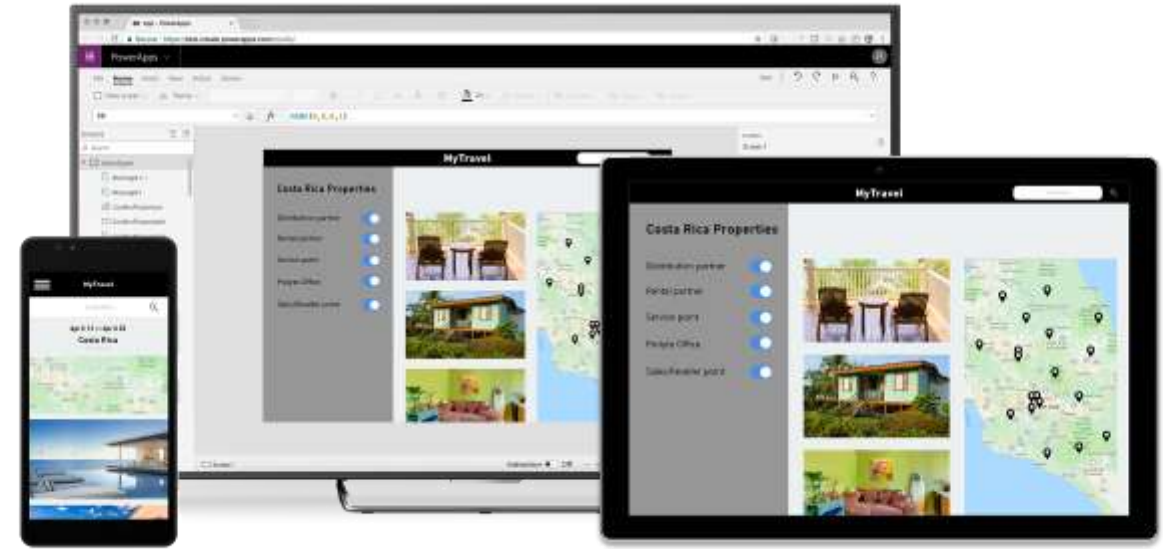
The low-code platform that spans Office 365, Azure, Dynamics 365, and standalone applications





# Build and consume solutions for web and mobile with PowerApps

- Build highly customized task- and role-based canvas apps with data from one or multiple sources
- Generate immersive model-driven apps, starting from your data model and business processes
- Consume fully accessible apps across web and mobile, embedded or standalone, on any device



Enterprise-grade

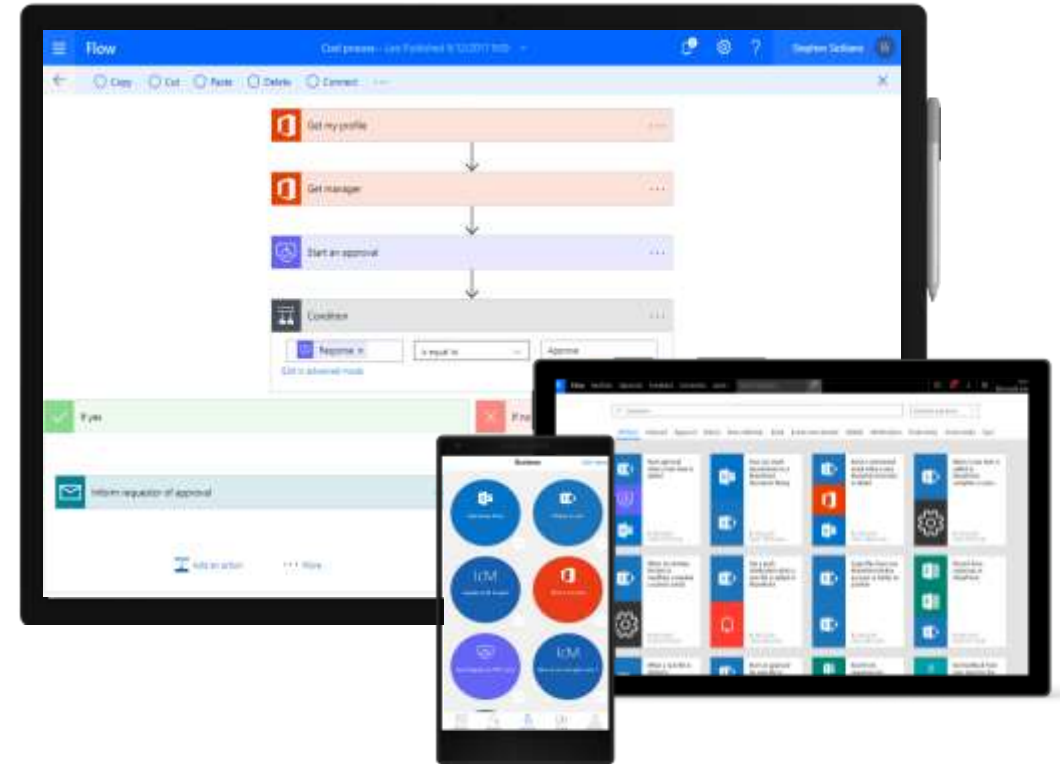
Cloud and on-premises connectivity

Pro-developer extensibility



# Automate and integrate business processes with Power Automate

- Automate and model business processes across your apps and services
- From simple automations to advanced scenarios with branches, loops, and more
- Trigger actions, grant approvals, and get notifications right where you work



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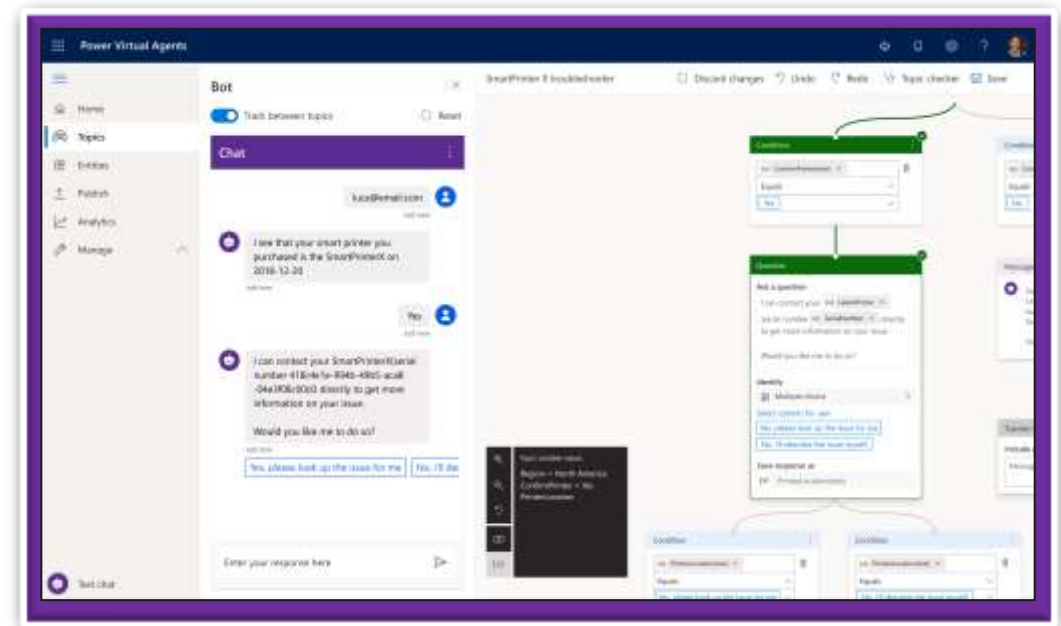
# Gain insights from your data regardless of where it lives with Power BI

- Connect to all your data and get a consolidated view across your business through a single pane of glass
- Create ad-hoc analysis, live dashboards and interactive reports that are easy to consume on the web and across mobile devices
- Build smart apps by infusing insights from your data and drive action with the power of the Power platform



# Build powerful virtual agents with Power Virtual Agents

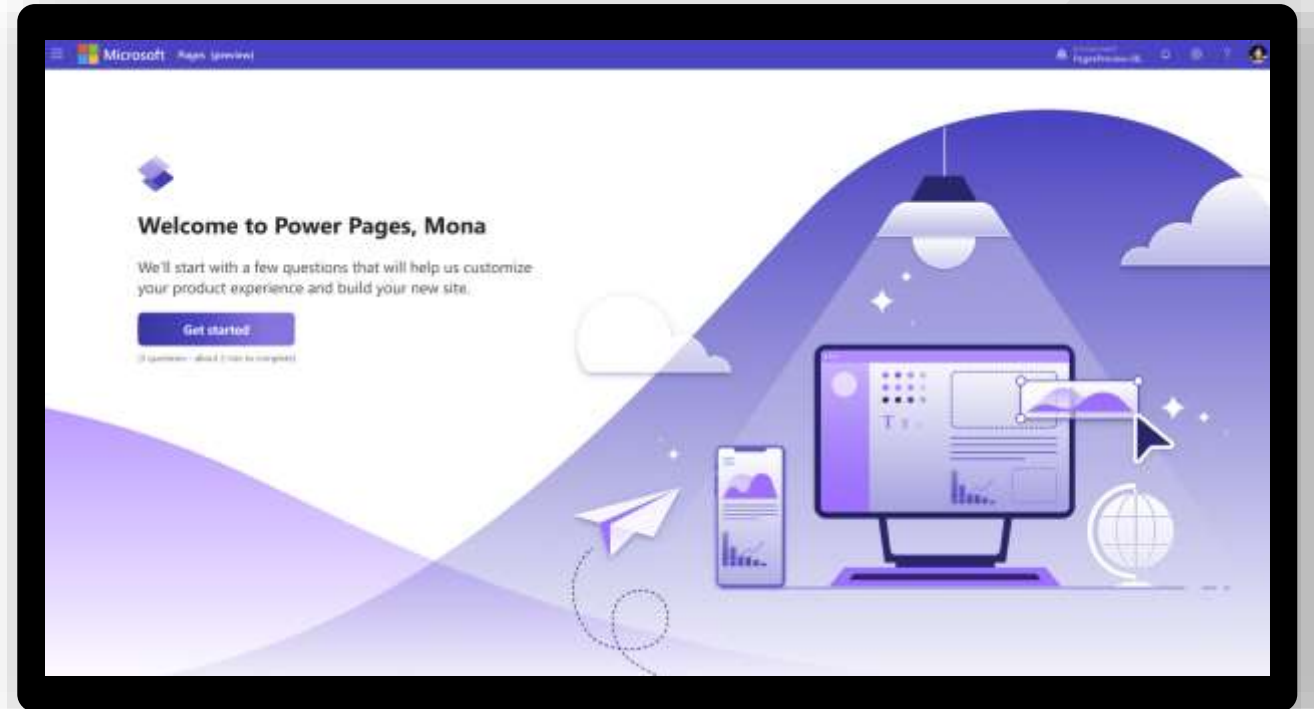
- Enable subject matter experts to easily create powerful virtual agents using a guided, no-code graphical interface—all without the need for data scientists or developers.
- Enable the virtual agent to take action on the customer's behalf. Easily integrate your virtual agent with hundreds of services and systems out of the box or create custom workflows.
- Keep an eye on how your virtual agent is performing by using conversational metrics and dashboards. Get in-depth AI-driven insights to improve bot performance.



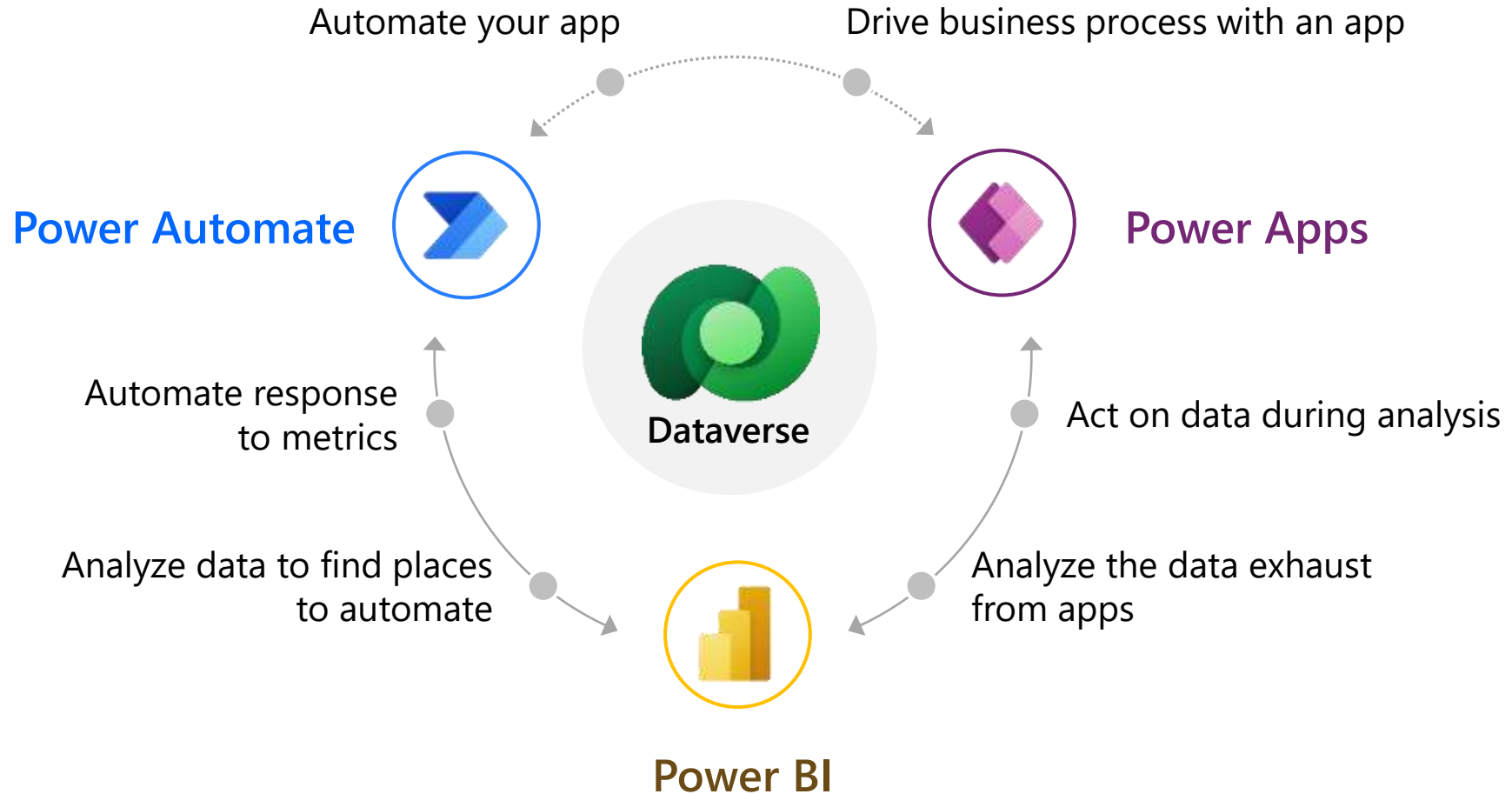


# Power Pages

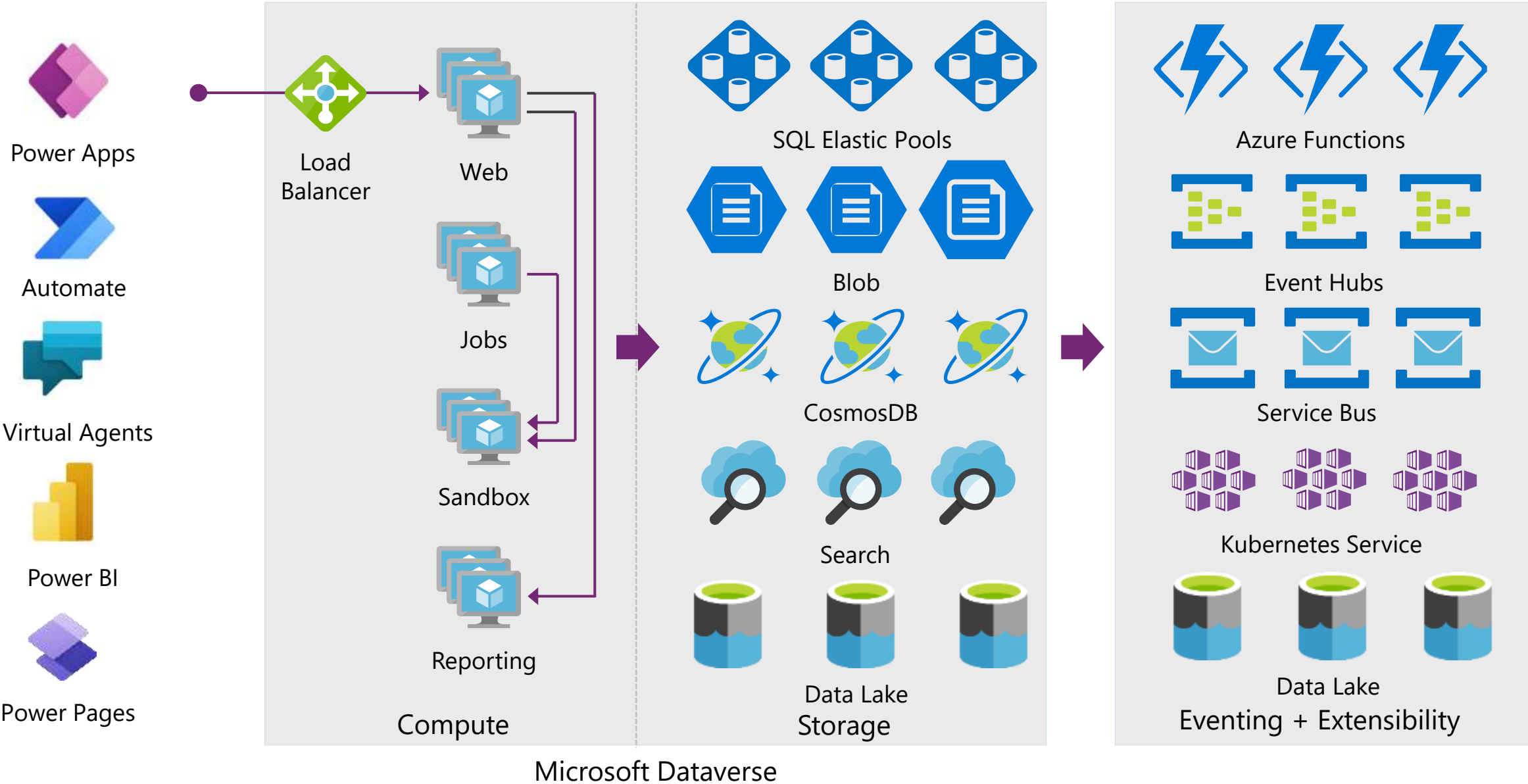
Create modern, secure, responsive business websites to rapidly engage your customers, partners, and communities



# Microsoft Dataverse is fully integrated into the Power Platform

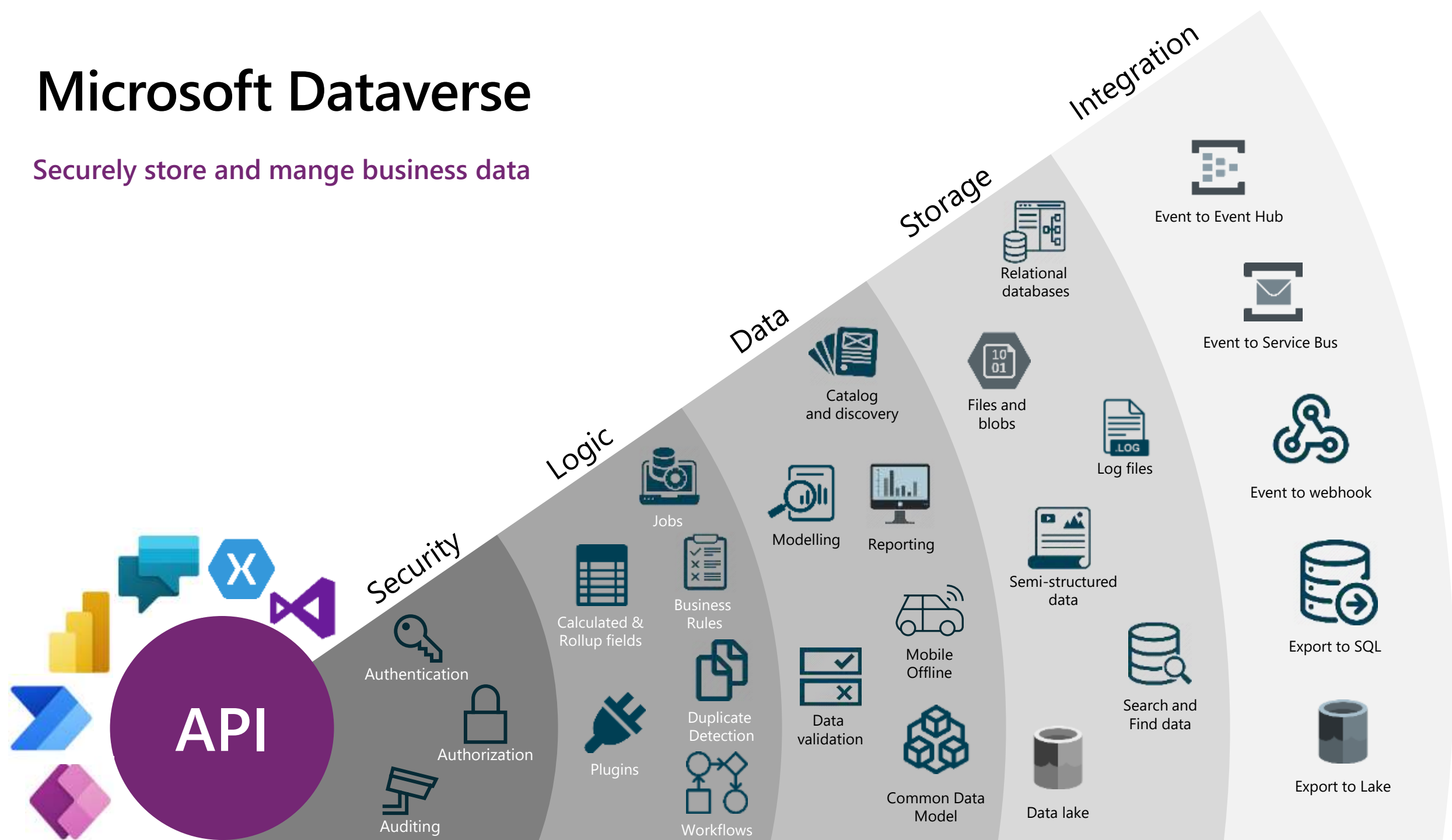


# Microsoft Dataverse... Runs on Azure and Extends with Azure



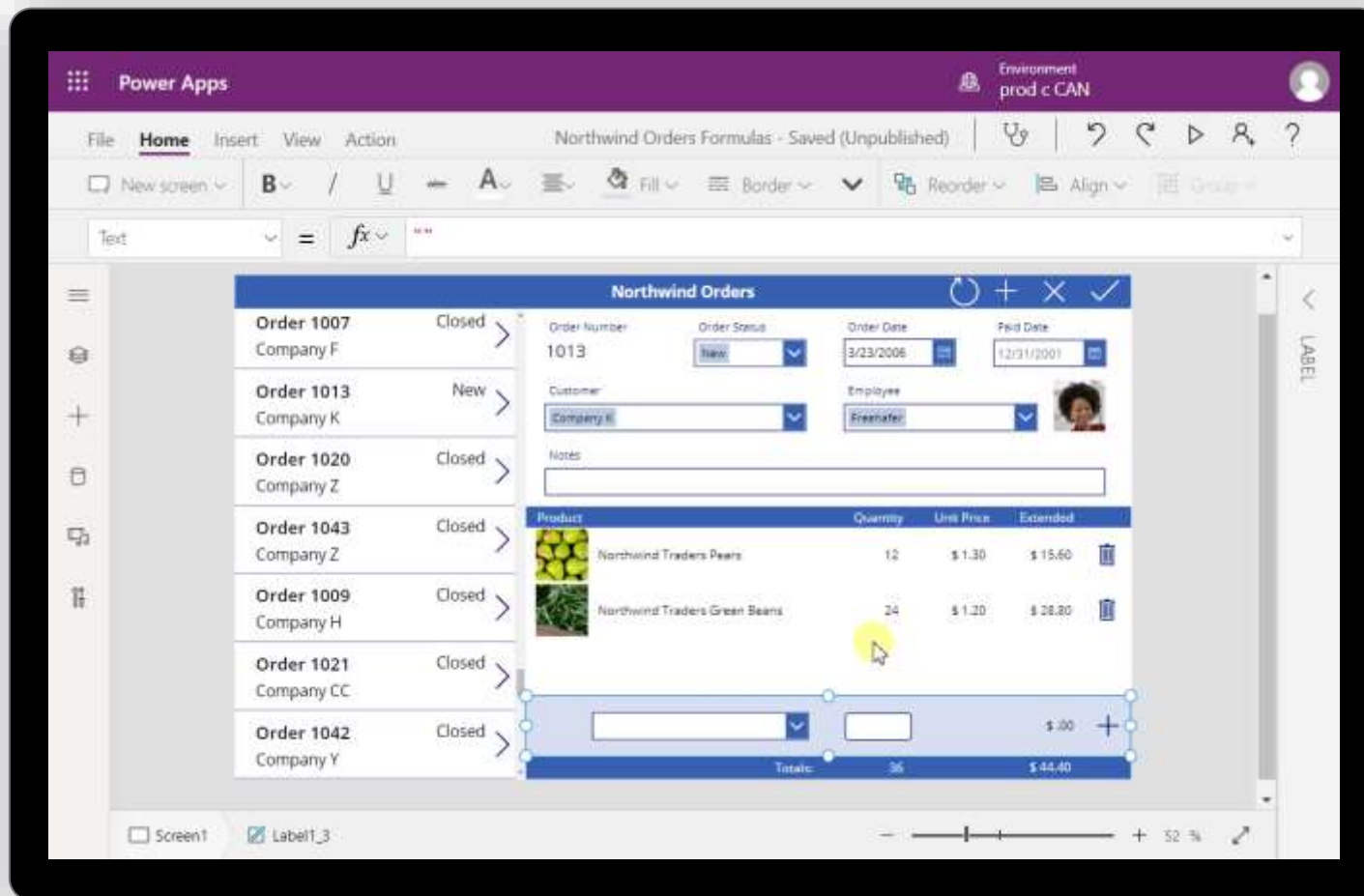
# Microsoft Dataverse

Securely store and manage business data





# Microsoft Power FX



```
fx Notify( "Hello, World!" )
```

- An open-source language that will be **available for everyone to use and implement**.
- Expressed in text, it's a low code language that **makers can work with directly**.
- Reduce barriers for getting started with a language that **leverages the knowledge of excel users**
- **Accelerate with the simplicity of formulas** and add code where it matters using favorite developer tools.

# AI Builder: intelligent apps and processes



Low code AI solutions for Power Platform leveraging the power of Microsoft AI



Bring your data from CDS, ADLSv2 or 230+ pre-built connectors and custom connectors



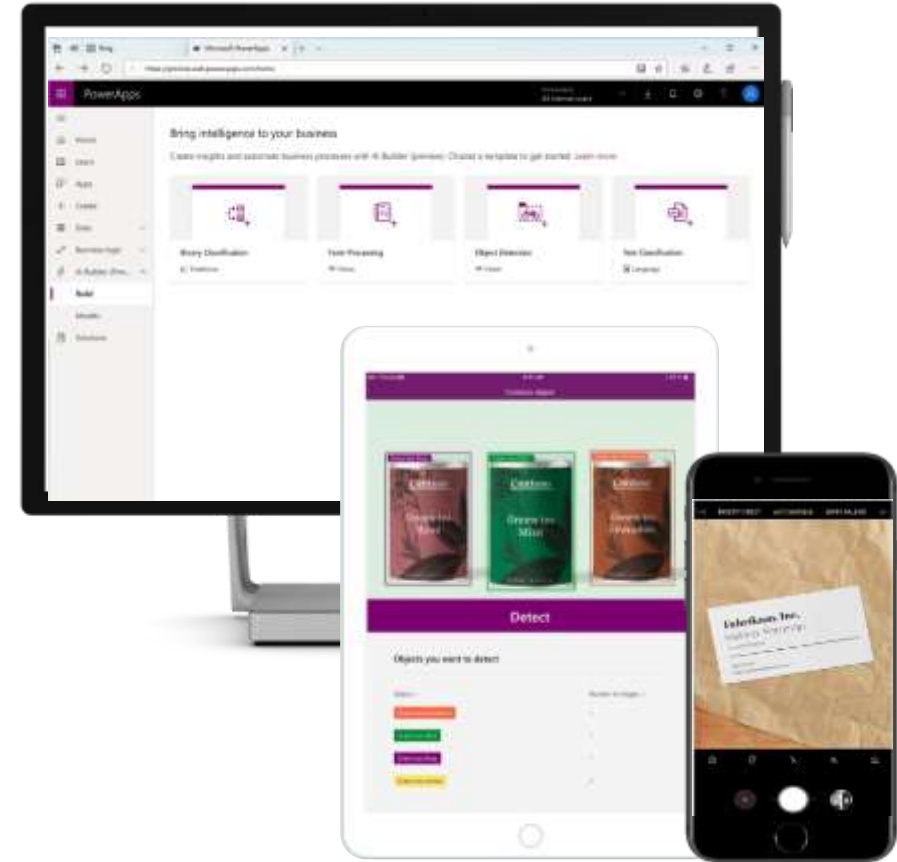
Customize Dynamics 365 AI offerings to specific schema and processes with AI Builder



Predictions available in Common Data Service for Power Platform and Dynamics



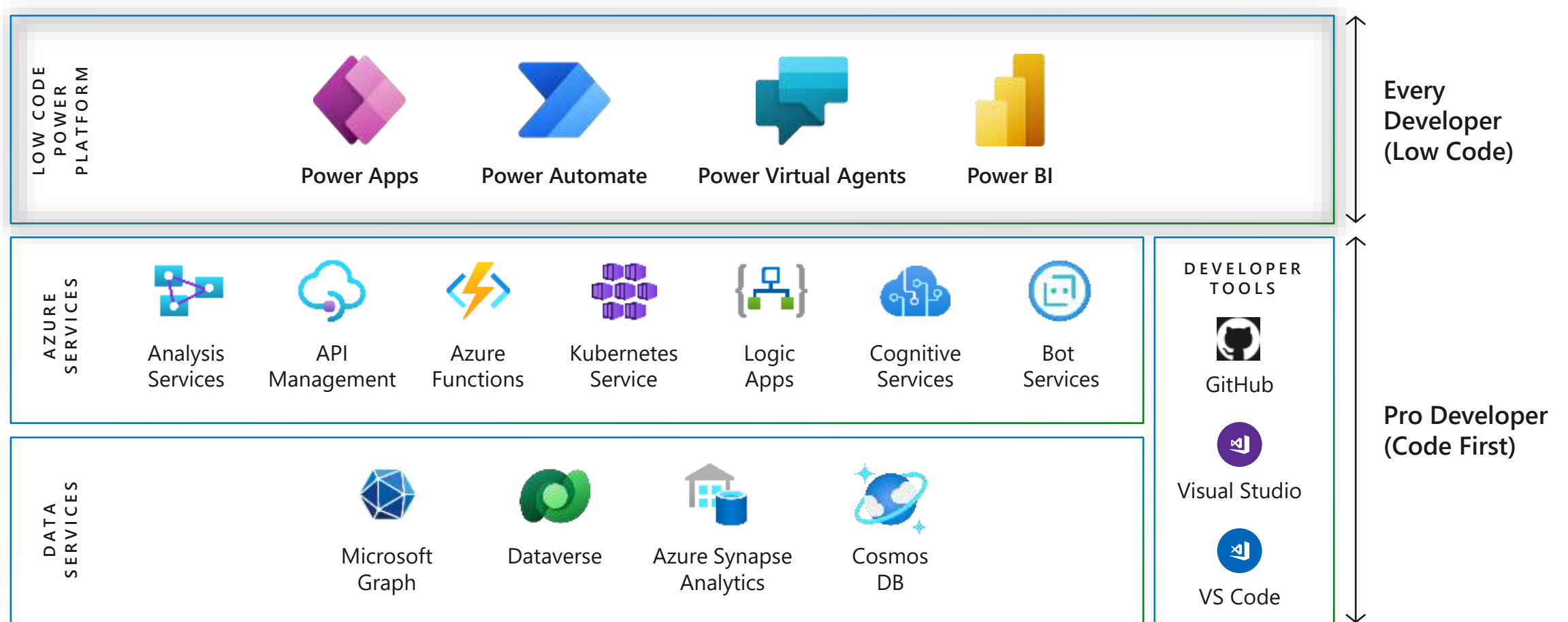
Pro-Dev extensibility and governance



# Fusion Dev Teams

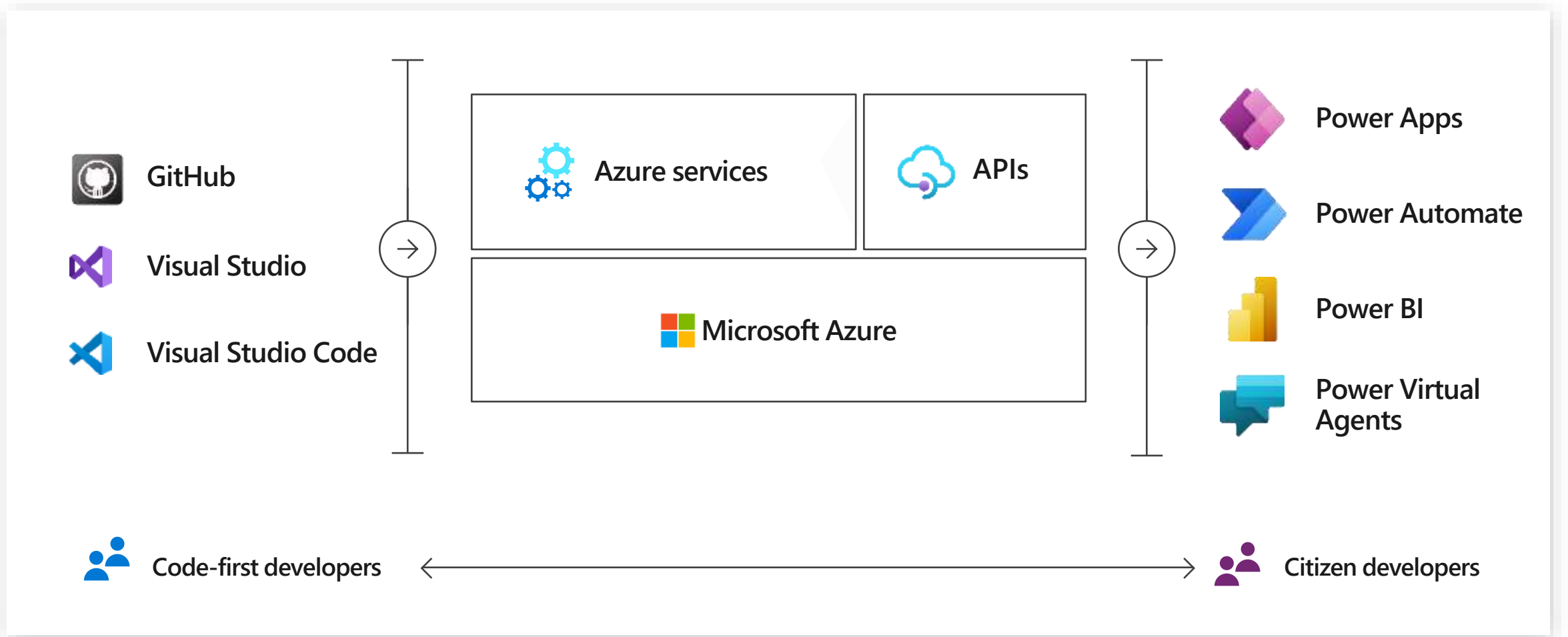


# Pro Developers + Power Platform = No Limits



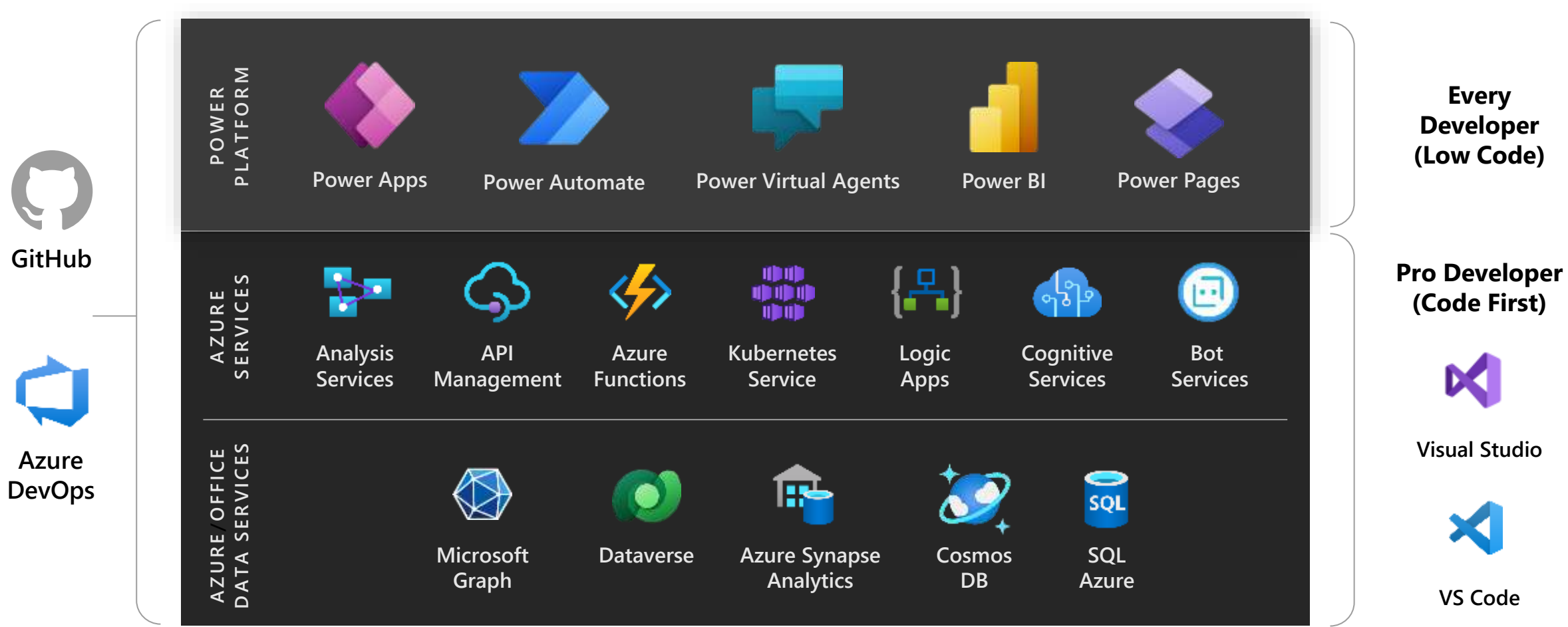
# Fusion Team Development

Low-code and pro-dev application development extensibility with Power Apps + Azure



# Extend the Power Platform with Azure Services

Integrate Azure services with pre-built and custom APIs



# Demo: Exploring the Power Platform Tools

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# Questions?

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# Power Platform Application Lifecycle Management

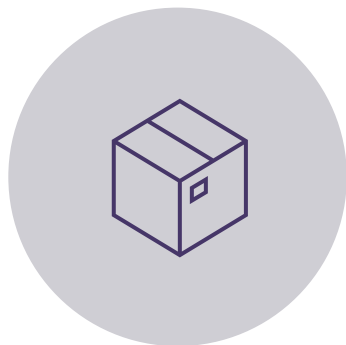
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# Agenda

- Concepts Overview
- GitHub Integration
- Demo

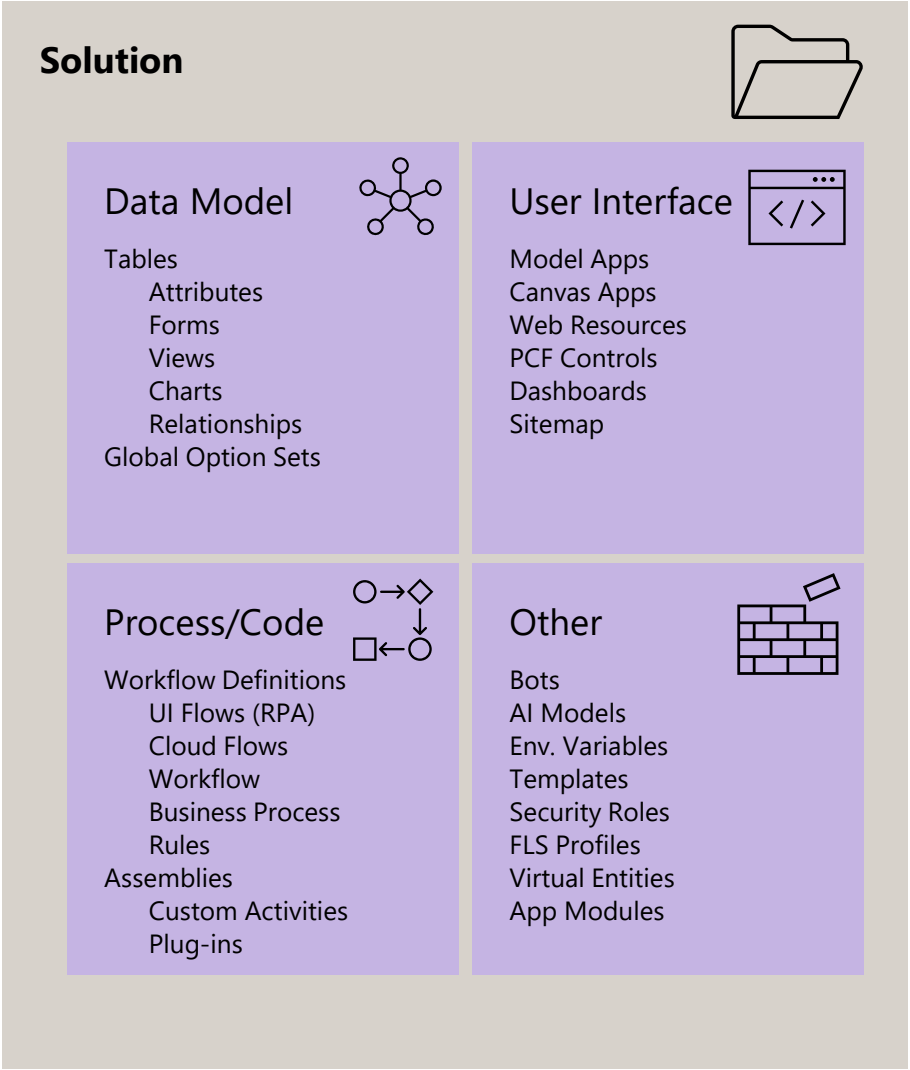
# Solution: Fundamental building block for ALM



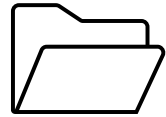
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AND MAINTAIN COMPONENTS THAT  
MAKE UP ONE OR MORE POWER APPS



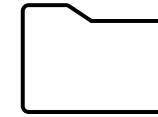
SOLUTIONS ARE CREATED AND  
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# Managed vs Unmanaged Solutions

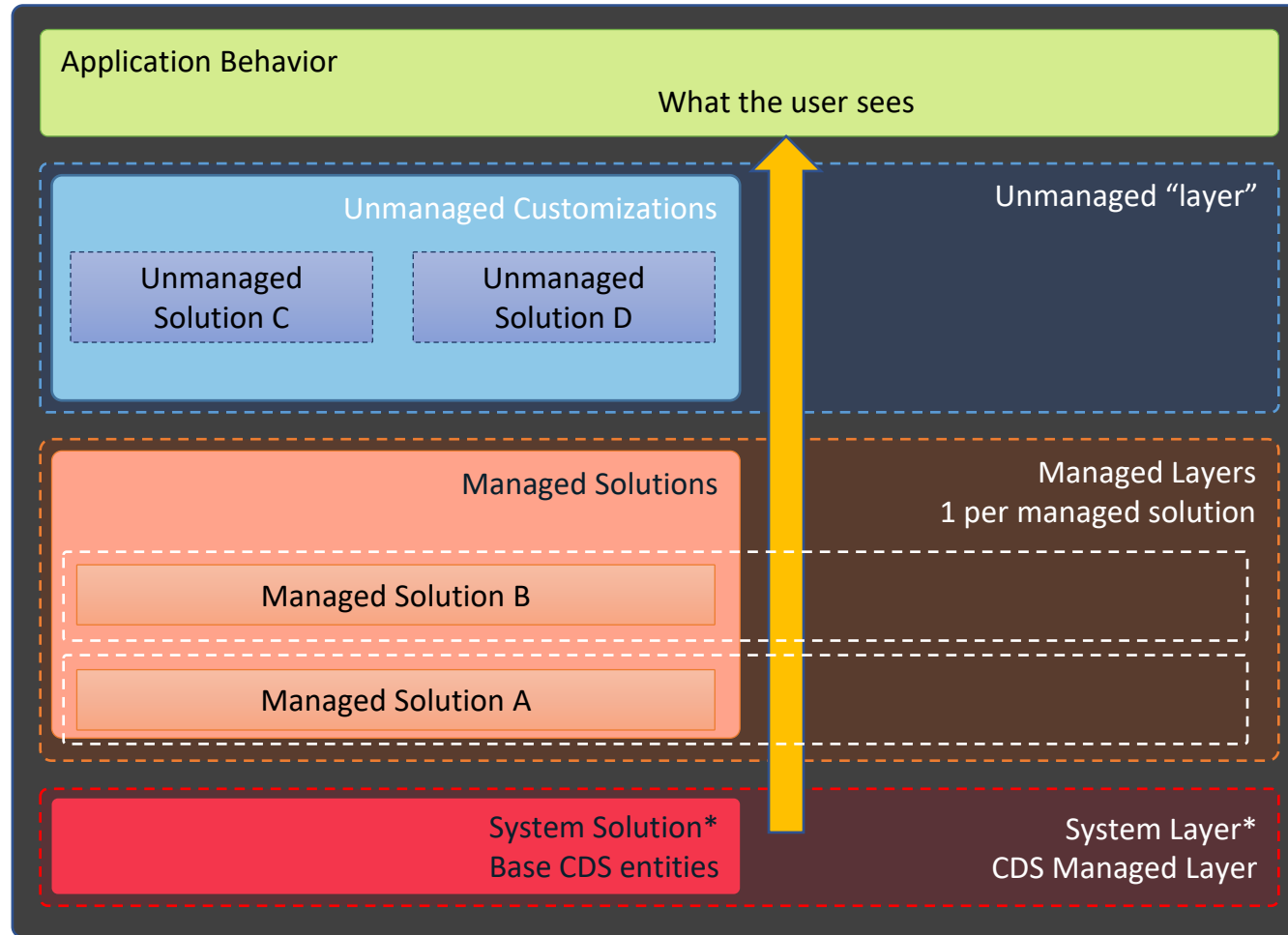


**Unmanaged Solutions** are to be used in development environments while you are making configuration changes to your application. Solutions are exported as unmanaged and checked into your source control system. Unmanaged solutions should be considered your source.



**Managed solutions** are used to deploy to any environment outside of development. This includes test, UAT, SIT, and production environments. Managed solutions should be generated by a build server and considered as a build artifact. You cannot edit components within a Managed Solution, to edit the components you need to add them to an Unmanaged Solution

# Solution Layering



➡ Run time behavior

➡ All imported unmanaged solutions and ad-hoc changes exist here

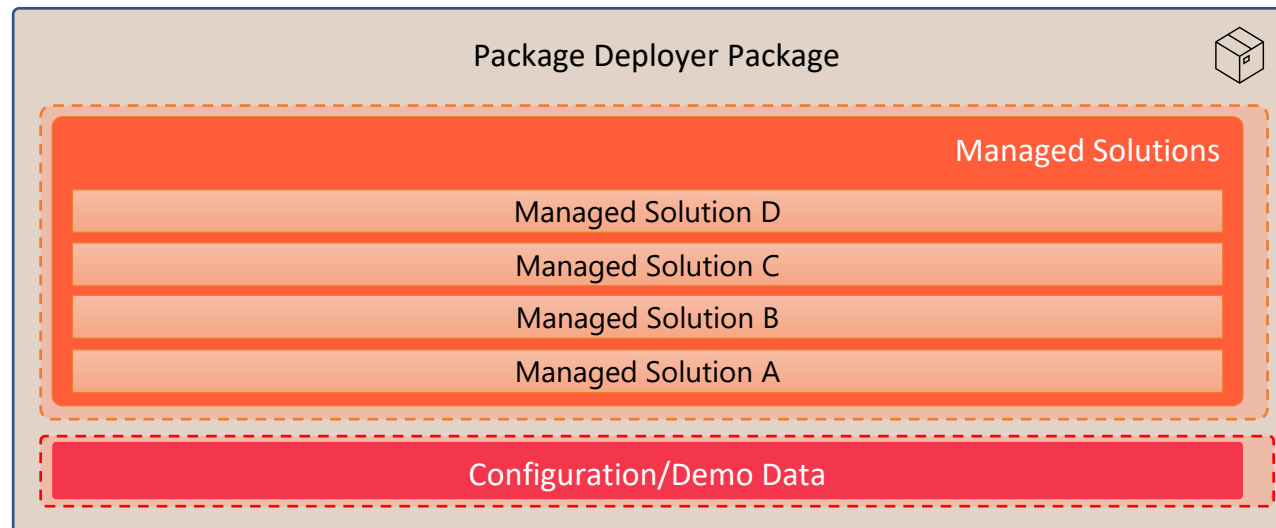
➡ All imported managed solution exist here. When multiple solutions are installed, topmost solution's changes are in effect e.g., if solution B has made changes to fields, there were also referenced in solution A, then solution B's changes are enforced. If solution B is removed, then solution A's behavior come into effect

➡ The system layer contains the entities and components are required for the platform to function

# Packages: deployment units for the Power Platform

Contain the following:

- One or more solutions
- Flat files or exported configuration files (Configuration Migration tool)
- Custom Code (to run before or after a package is deployed)
- HTML content (to display before or after deployment)





# Low code in the enterprise requires DevOps



Support for moving assets across environments using solutions.



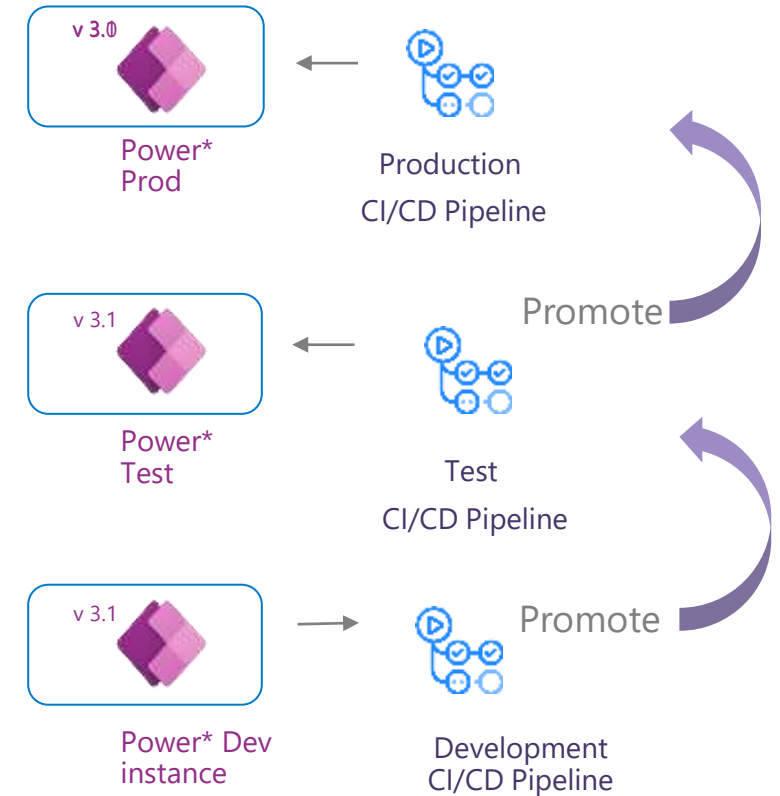
Full developer isolation with access to authoritative source management in GitHub and Azure DevOps.



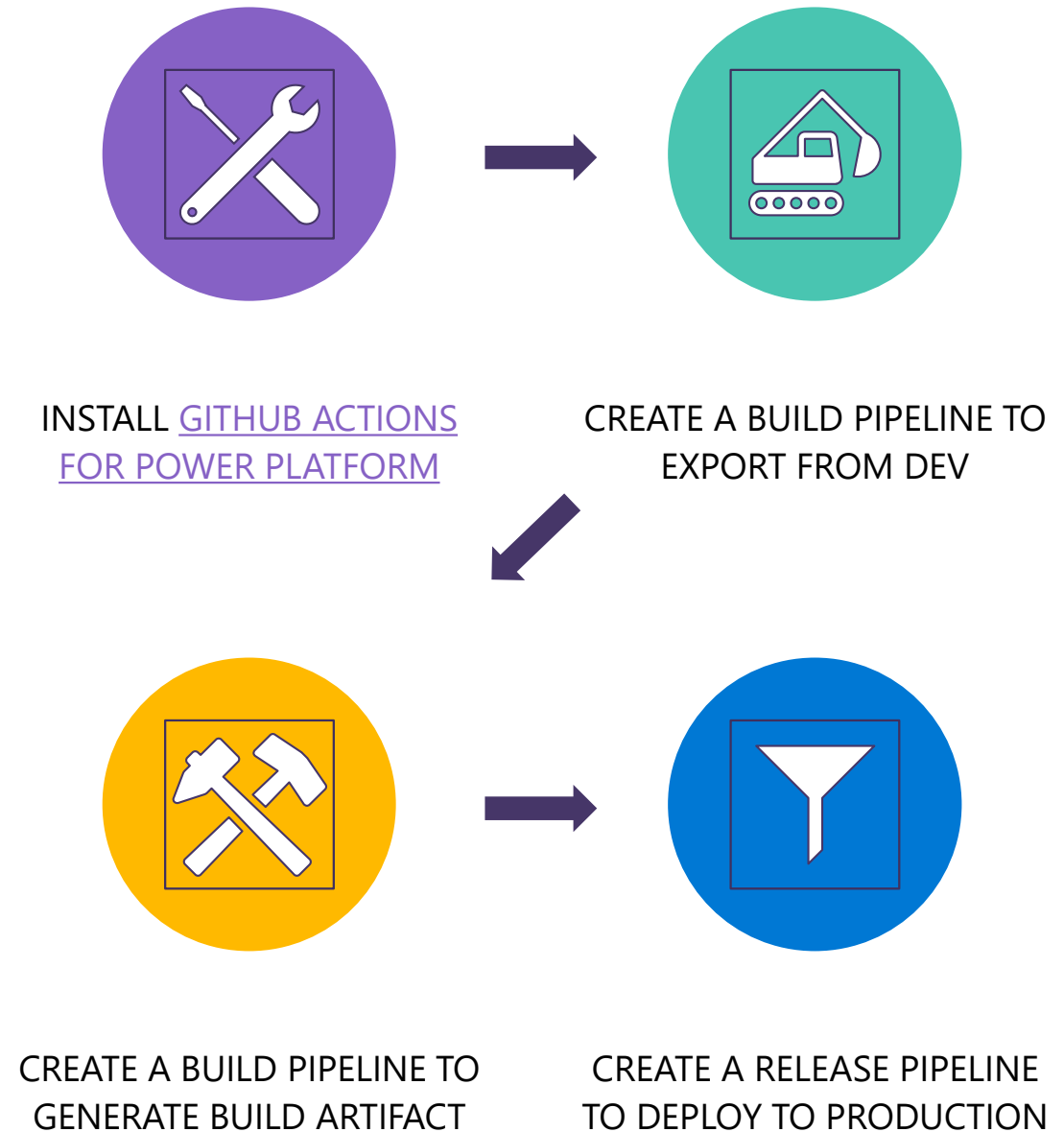
Agile process governance and team collaboration



Full automation of repeatable processes for tests and workflows supporting continuous integration/continuous deployment (CI/CD)



# From Environment Centric to Source Control Today



# Power Platform + GitHub

Develop, test, and deliver applications with GitHub Actions for Power Platform



## Seamlessly manage solutions and environments

Empower developers to work within the tool of their choice by creating their own systems development life cycle (SDLC) workflows or use pre-configured templates with GitHub actions for Power Platform.



## Enable everyone to contribute to CI/CD

Empower citizen developers to perform self-service continuous integration/continuous delivery (CI/CD) to free up time for DevOps engineers and IT admins. With a full line of sight for IT admins and professional developers, users no longer need to worry about audience disconnection for combined environments.

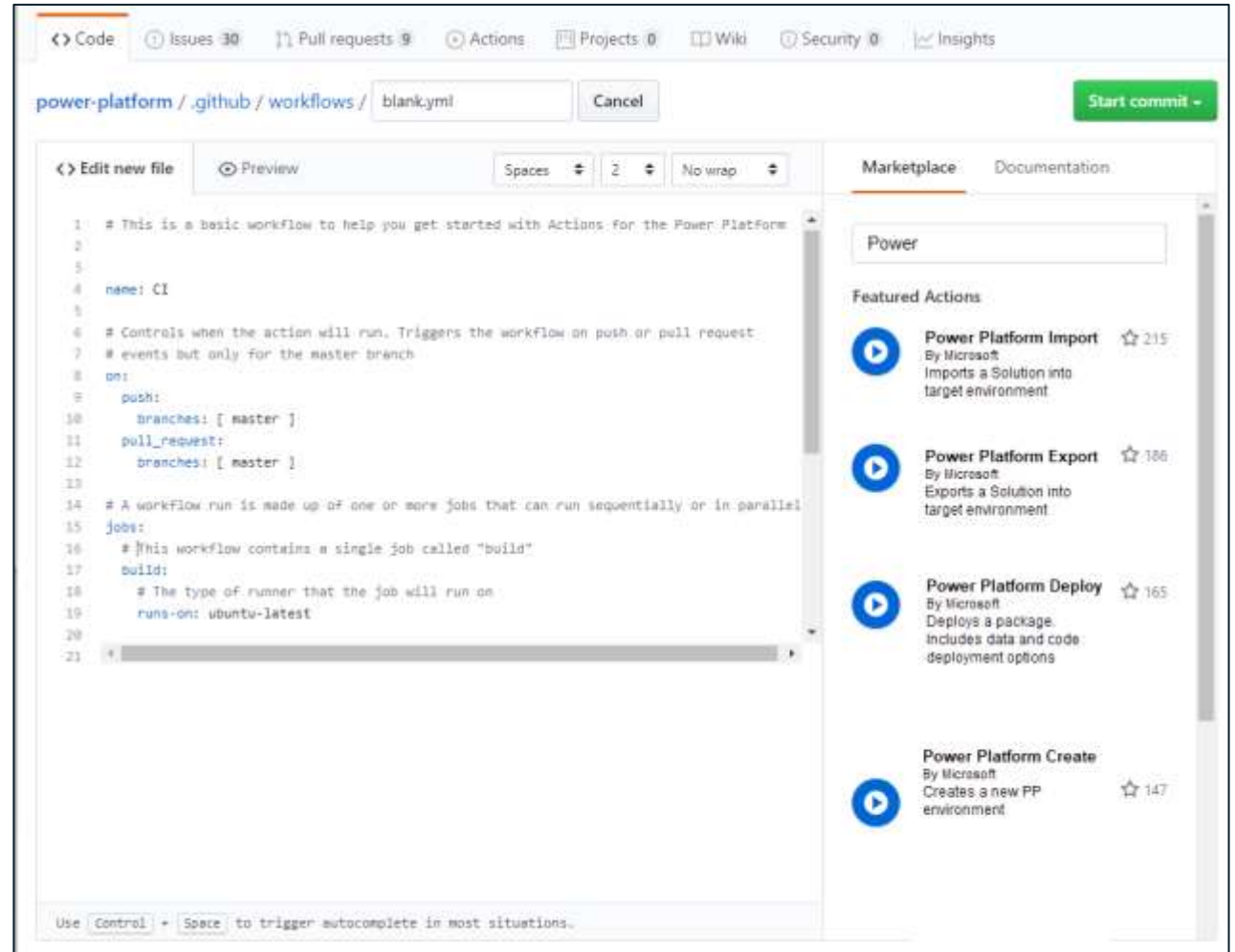


## Seamless Fusion teams

Create seamless CoE team interactions by empowering citizen developers to trigger GitHub actions for Power Platform such as using Power Automate to construct CI/CD or build UX for self-service CI/CD using Power Apps.

# GitHub actions for Power Platform

Developers can create their own SDLC workflows using **GitHub actions for Power Platform** available on GitHub marketplace



# Demo: Github Actions for the Power Platform



# Questions?

# Lunch Break – 30 Mins





# Power Platform Development: Tools

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# Agenda

1. Sometimes you feel like a command line
2. Sometimes you don't
3. .NET (tools) to the rescue

# The Power Platform CLI

Started initially as a project scaffolding tool for PCF

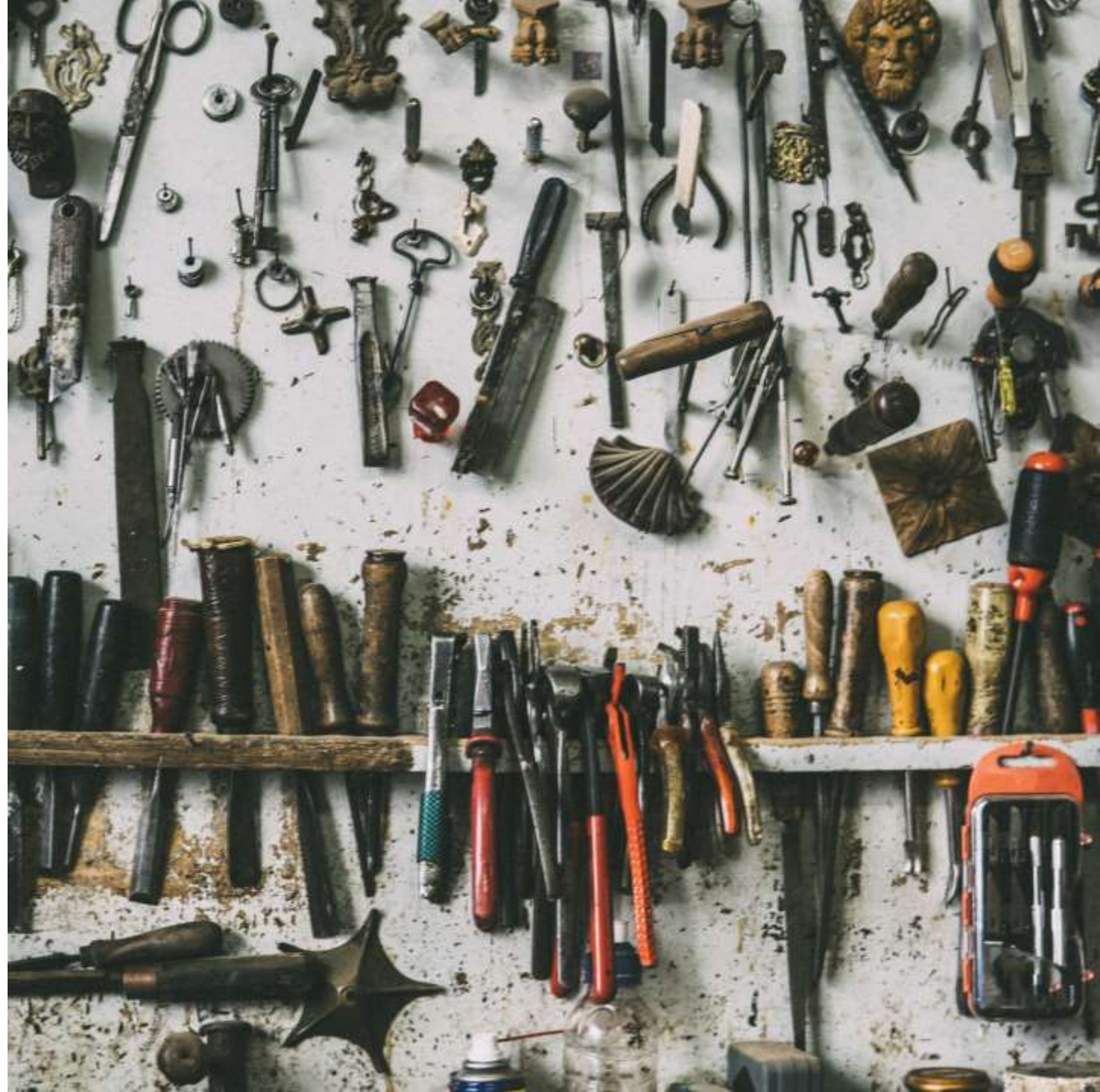
Since then, has added a ton of functionality:

auth	Manage how you authenticate to various services
help	Show help for the Microsoft Power Platform CLI
pcf	Commands for working with Power Apps component framework projects
solution	Work with your Power Platform Admin Account
application	Commands for working with Dataverse solution projects
telemetry	Manage telemetry settings and installing available Dataverse applications from AppSource
auth	Manage how you authenticate to various services
canvas	Operating with Power Apps .msapp files
catalog	(Preview) Commands for working with Catalog in Power Platform
connector	(Preview) Commands for working with Power Platform Connectors
help	Show help for the Microsoft Power Platform CLI
modelbuilder	Code Generator for Dataverse APIs and Tables
org	Work with your Dataverse Organization
package	Commands for working with Dataverse package projects
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pipeline	Work with Pipelines
plugin	Commands for working with Dataverse plug-in class library
solution	Commands for working with Dataverse solution projects
telemetry	Manage telemetry settings
virtual-agent	Commands for working with Power Virtual Agent bots

# Anything tools can do, it can do ~~better~~ the same

The work for the CLI underlies  
many of the other tools as well:

- ✓ Power Platform Tools for Azure DevOps
- ✓ GitHub Actions for Power Platform
- ✓ Power Platform Tools for Visual Studio Code
- ✓ Other internal processes

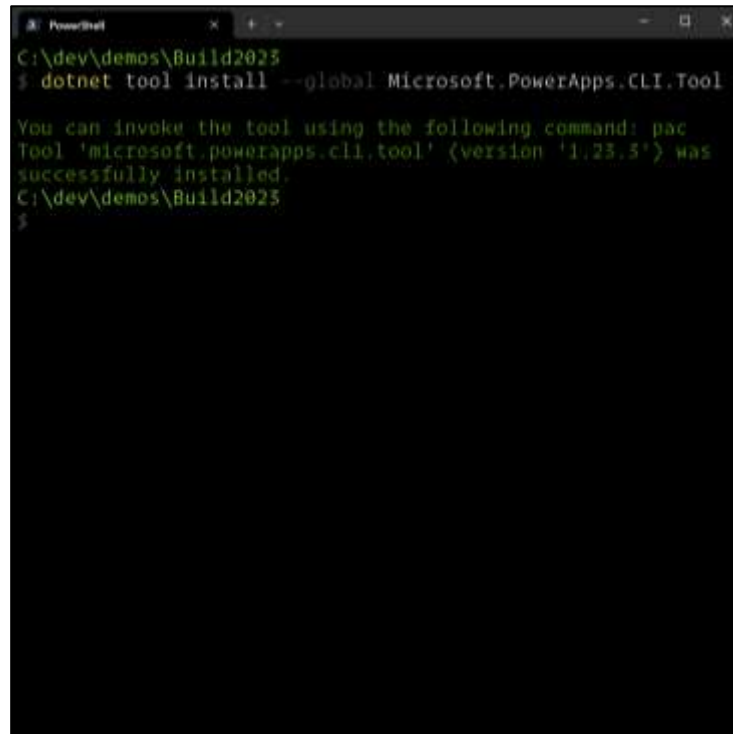




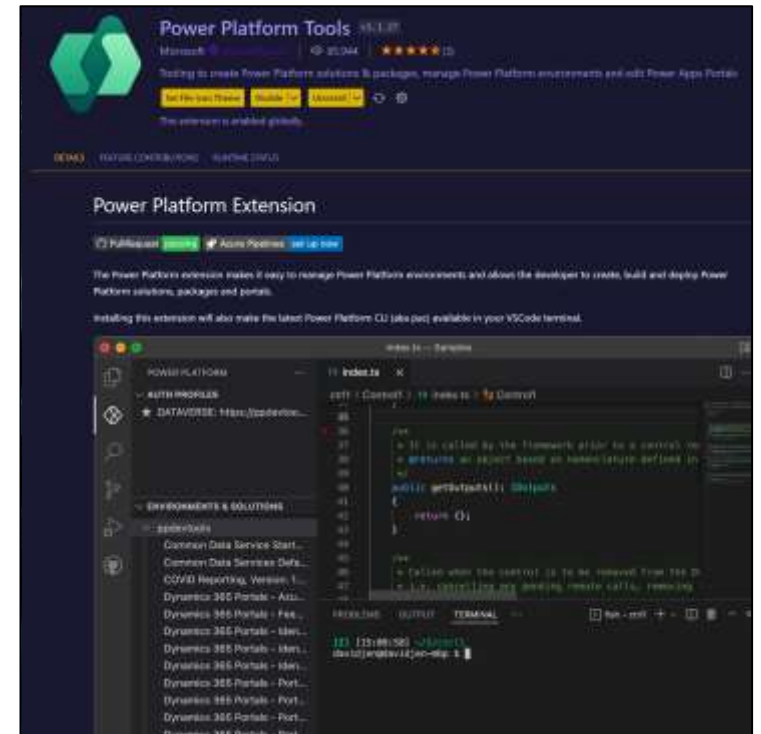
# CLI Installation ✨Options✨



Option #1: Good ol' MSI



Option #2: dotnet CLI



Option #3: VSCode Extension

**What about Visual Studio?**

# Power Platform: Now a Connected Service

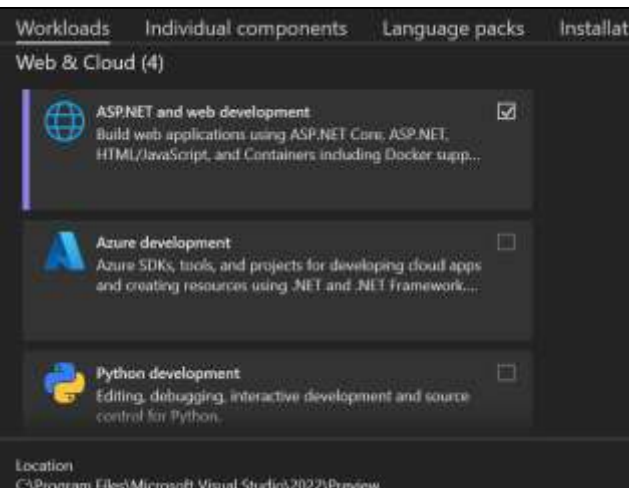
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Connected Services is a collection of tools in Visual Studio that help you connect to different services

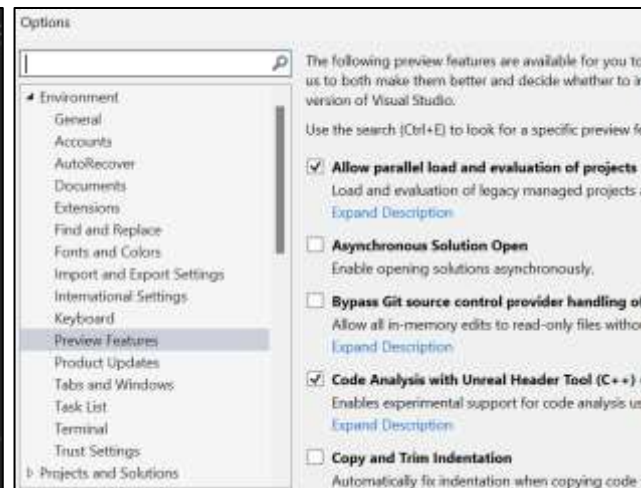
Support for the Power Platform was added for ASP.Net Web API projects to do the following:

- Connect to a Power Platform environment
- Automatically generate a custom connector
- Configure a dev tunnel to locally connect to your custom connector

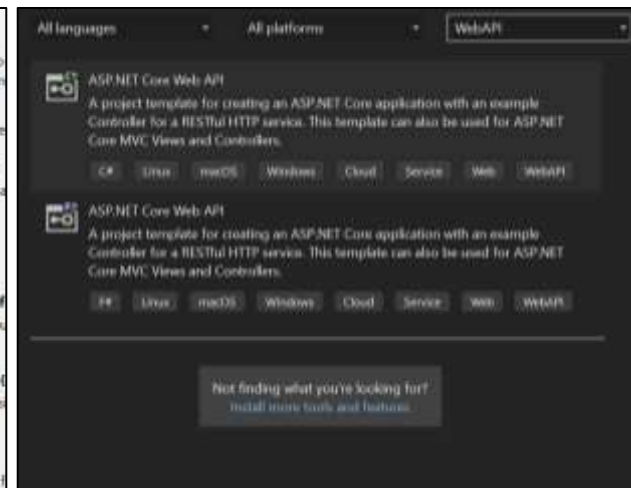
# Power Platform Connected Services: Prerequisites



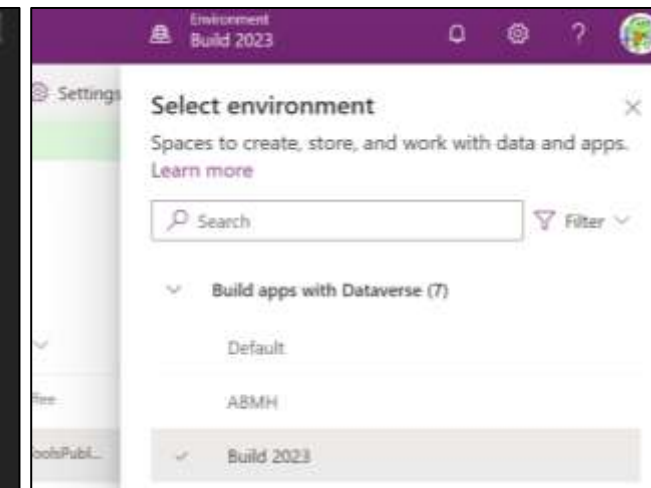
Visual Studio 2022 v17.6  
Preview 2 with the  
“ASP.NET and web  
development” workload  
installed



Dev Tunnels  
preview feature  
enabled



An ASP.NET Core  
Web API Project



A Power Platform  
environment



# Demo: Visual Studio Connected Services



# Questions?



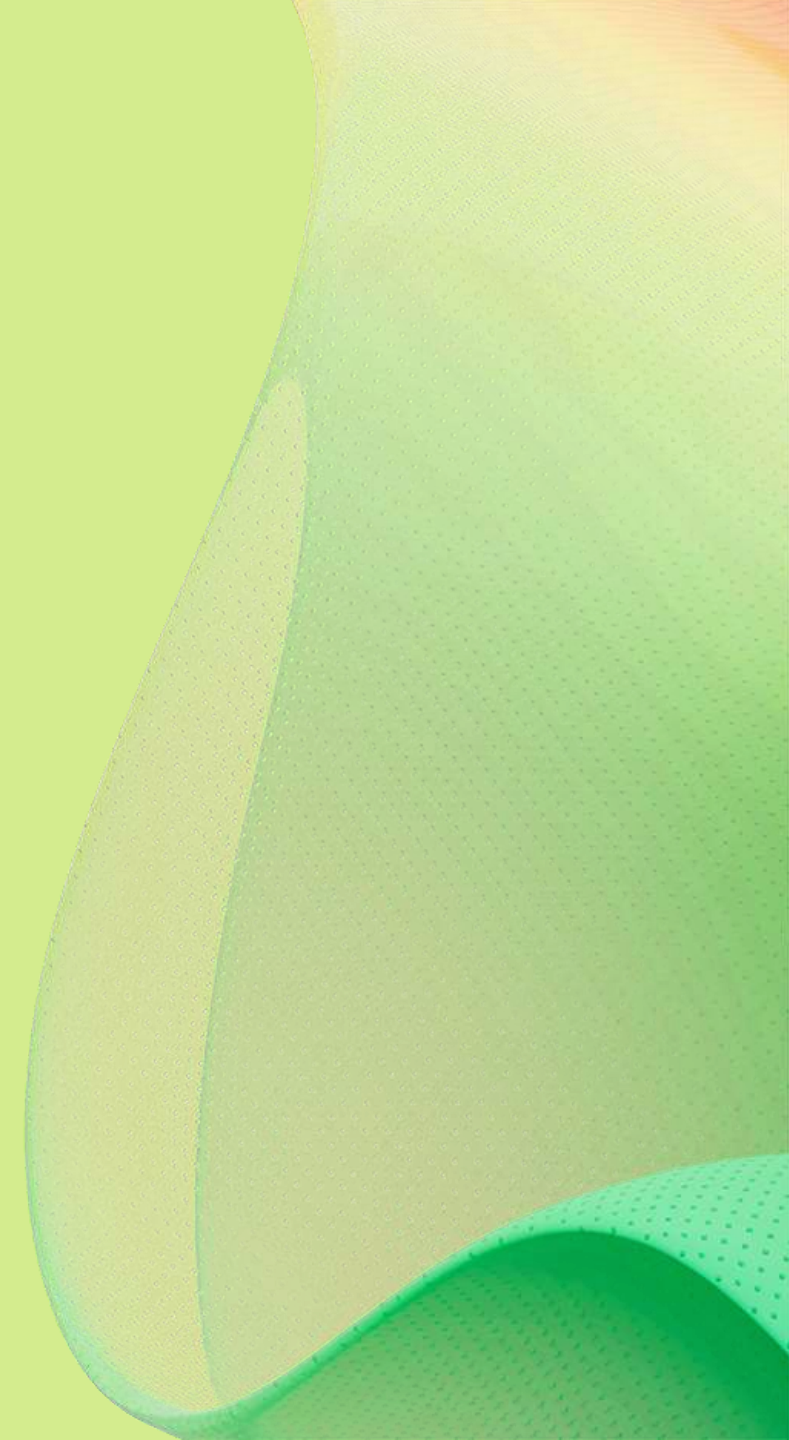
# Custom Connectors: Data & API Integration

April Dunnam, Principal Cloud Advocate

# Agenda

1. Connectors overview
2. Custom Connectors

# Data connections in the Power Platform



# What is a connector?



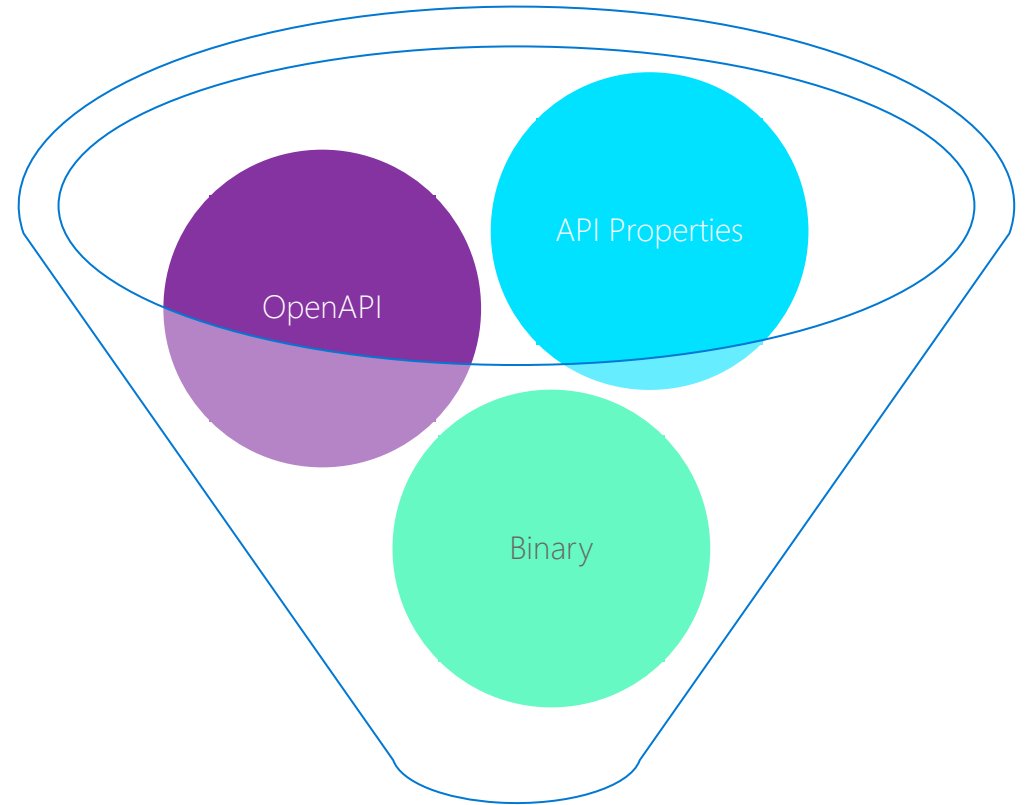
A formal definition of a **REST API**



Allows the **REST service** to talk to Microsoft Power Apps, Power Automate, and Logic Apps



Currently **1000+** out-of-the-box connectors in the product



**Connector**

# Data, data everywhere

Over 1000 connectors out of the box

Mix & match

Power BI data connectors are different



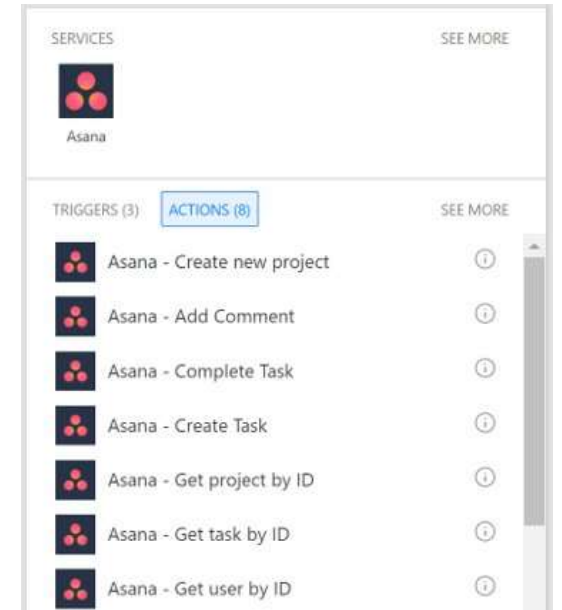
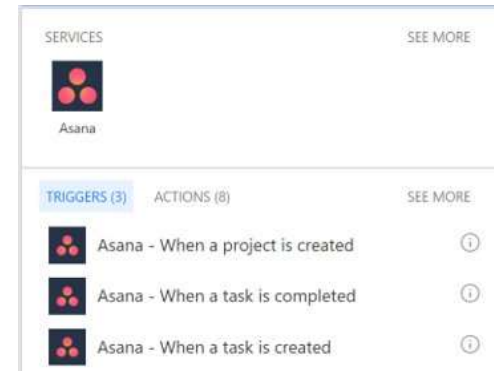


# Connector: Definition of an API schema

A connector is a formal definition of a REST API that allows the REST service to talk to the Power Platform

A connector consists of:

- Triggers: Allow power platform to kick off flows when “something” happens in the external system
- Actions: Things you can do with the service
- Security Protocol





# Connection: How data flows in & out

An instance of a user using a connector by associating with specific “credentials” (or connection parameters)

Runtime API calls happen in the context of a connection

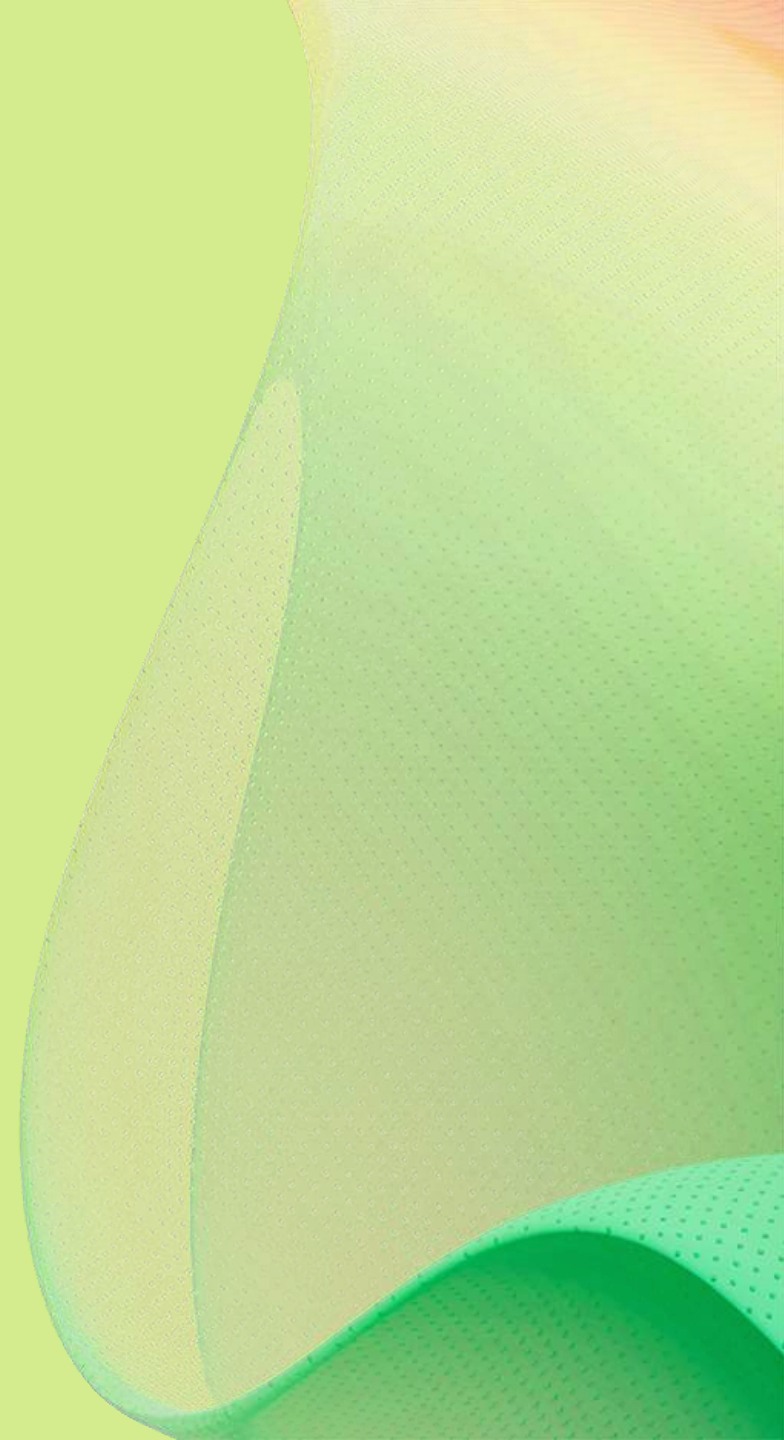
A connection has an access control list (ACL)

The owner is by default part of this access control list (ACL)

Some connections may be shared

OAuth connections cannot be shared

# Custom Connectors



# Why use custom connectors?



Add services that are not currently supported



Expand connectors that currently don't have the trigger/action you want










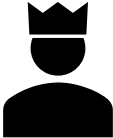



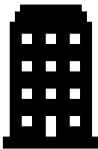




Can be built using the wizard, a postman collection, or with your favourite IDE (for instance VS Code)



Can be shared, packaged and certified via GitHub

# Types of connectors

 Connector Type	 Custom Connector	 Certified Connector	 Independent Publisher Connector
 API Availability	 Public or private	 Public	 Public
 Service Owner	 Connector developer or someone else	 Connector developer	 Someone else
 Audience	 Internal	 Everyone	 Everyone

# Good news, everyone

If you've done the work to be OpenAPI compliant, this'll be easy

If you haven't done that work (or can't), we still have you covered

There's no additional requirements on your code, your stack, or your deployment environment

Your current code won't need any changes

# Custom connectors

The definition of your API for the Power Platform

Create from scratch, from Azure APIM, even from Postman

Github integration

Cloud or on-premises APIs supported

Define the shape of the API, not the logic

Open API v2.1 (even 3.0)

# Step by Step: Building a Custom Connector



Read the docs / know the API you want to build the connector for



Start in one of the products (Power Apps, Power Automate or Logic Apps)



Set up the authentication



Define the operations (triggers / actions) for your connector



Add code if needed (for now, C# code is supported)



Save and test your connector

# Tools for creating connectors

- Power Platform CLI (preview)
  - Helps with the ALM story of Custom Connectors
  - You can deploy, download and update your connectors with the CLI through the following commands:
    - `pac connector list`
    - `pac connector init`
    - `pac connector create`
    - `pac connector download`
    - `pac connector update`

## Microsoft Power Platform CLI Command Groups

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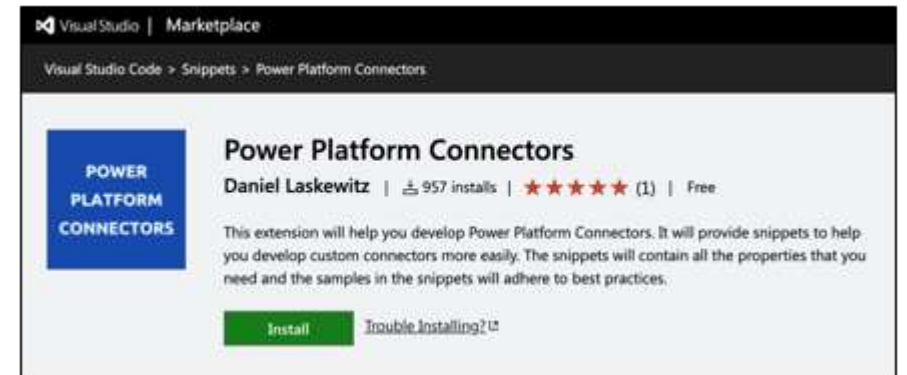


Command Group	Description
<code>pac admin</code>	Work with your Power Platform Admin Account
<code>pac application</code>	Commands for listing and installing available Dataverse applications from AppSource
<code>pac auth</code>	Manage how you authenticate to various services
<code>pac canvas</code>	Operating with Power Apps .msapp files
<code>pac connector</code>	(Preview) Commands for working with Power Platform Connectors
<code>pac data</code>	Import and export data from Dataverse.
<code>pac help</code>	Show help for the Microsoft Power Platform CLI
<code>pac org</code>	Work with your Dataverse Organization
<code>pac package</code>	Commands for working with Dataverse package projects
<code>pac paportal</code>	Commands for working with Power Apps portal website
<code>pac pcf</code>	Commands for working with Power Apps component framework projects
<code>pac plugin</code>	Commands for working with Dataverse plug-in class library
<code>pac solution</code>	Commands for working with Dataverse solution projects
<code>pac telemetry</code>	Manage telemetry settings



# Tools for creating connectors continued

- Power Platform CLI (preview)
  - 'pac canvas create' command generates a canvas app from a custom connector
  - This is great for pro code dev hand-off to citizen dev / makers
- Power Platform Connectors (VS Code Extension)
  - Helps you to easily add properties and other objects in Visual Studio Code by providing snippets



# API Management

- Azure service
- APIs can be:
  - Added to API Management
  - Exported from API Management to the Power Platform
- You have to pay for API Management (usage)
- But in a lot of cases it can be cheaper than per user licenses
- Free in Dataverse for Teams

Code first

Power Apps

## Azure API Management connector on the Power Platform

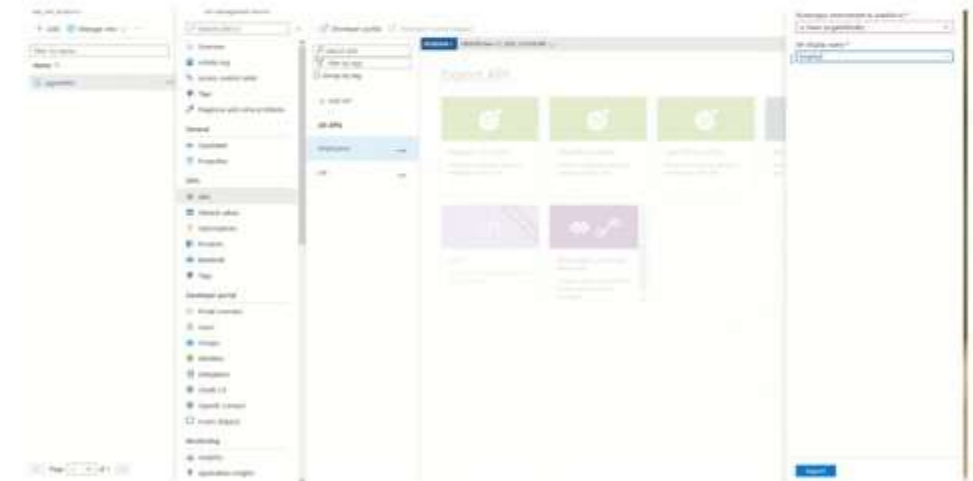


Per Mikkelsen, Principal Group Program Manager, Tuesday, November 17, 2020



We are pleased to announce that developers can now leverage Microsoft Azure API Management in Dataverse for Teams. This will further amplify their pro-code component and unlock access to any Microsoft cloud hosted Service with just a few clicks to empower citizen developers to build apps using components that were previously only available through code. We are introducing Azure API Management connectors as a way to quickly publish Azure API Management backed APIs to the Power Platform for easy discovery and consumption, dramatically reducing the time it takes to create apps connecting to Azure services.

This means that enterprises can now truly benefit from existing assets hosted on Azure, by making these available to Citizen developers with just a few clicks in the Azure portal, thereby eliminating the additional steps to go create custom connectors in the Power Apps or Power Automate maker experiences.



Citizen developers can use these API Management backed connectors in Power Apps hosted in Teams through the existing Teams licensing

Read more about API Management and how to export to Power Platform [here](#).

# Demo: Custom Connectors

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# Connector Resources

- Docs (<https://aka.ms/cc/learn>)
- Get your connector certified (<https://aka.ms/cc/certification>)
- Power Platform Connectors GitHub repository (<https://aka.ms/cc/github>)
- Extend an OpenAPI Definition (<https://aka.ms/cc/extend-openAPI>)
- Custom code in custom connectors (<https://aka.ms/cc/code>)
- Create a connector from a Postman Collection (<https://aka.ms/cc/postman>)
- Custom Connectors Coding Standards (<https://aka.ms/cc/coding-standards>)
- Policy support in Custom Connectors (<https://aka.ms/cc/policy-templates>)
- Paconn CLI (<https://aka.ms/cc/paconn>)
- Power Platform Connectors VS Code Extension (<https://aka.ms/ppc-vscode>)
- Power Platform CLI (<https://aka.ms/powerplatformcli>)

# Questions?

# Break – 15 Mins



# Building Custom UI Components with the Power Apps Component Framework

Greg Hurlman, Senior Software Engineer, Microsoft

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# Agenda

- Framework Introduction
- Power Apps CLI
- Building a custom component
- Control demos



# Empower every developer to do more

Citizen Developers

IT Developers

Pro Developers



# Pre-Requisites

1. Visual Studio Code
2. Node.js
3. Microsoft Power Platform  
VS Code extension
4. .NET 5.x SDK
5. Dataverse Development  
Environment with Code  
Components Enabled



# Some background

Once all part of Dynamics 365

First came the data layer, now  
Microsoft Dataverse

Next, the user interface  PCF





# PCF: How do we use it?

Simple to use CLI with control template (field and dataset) support

Built in validations to catch issues prior to deployment

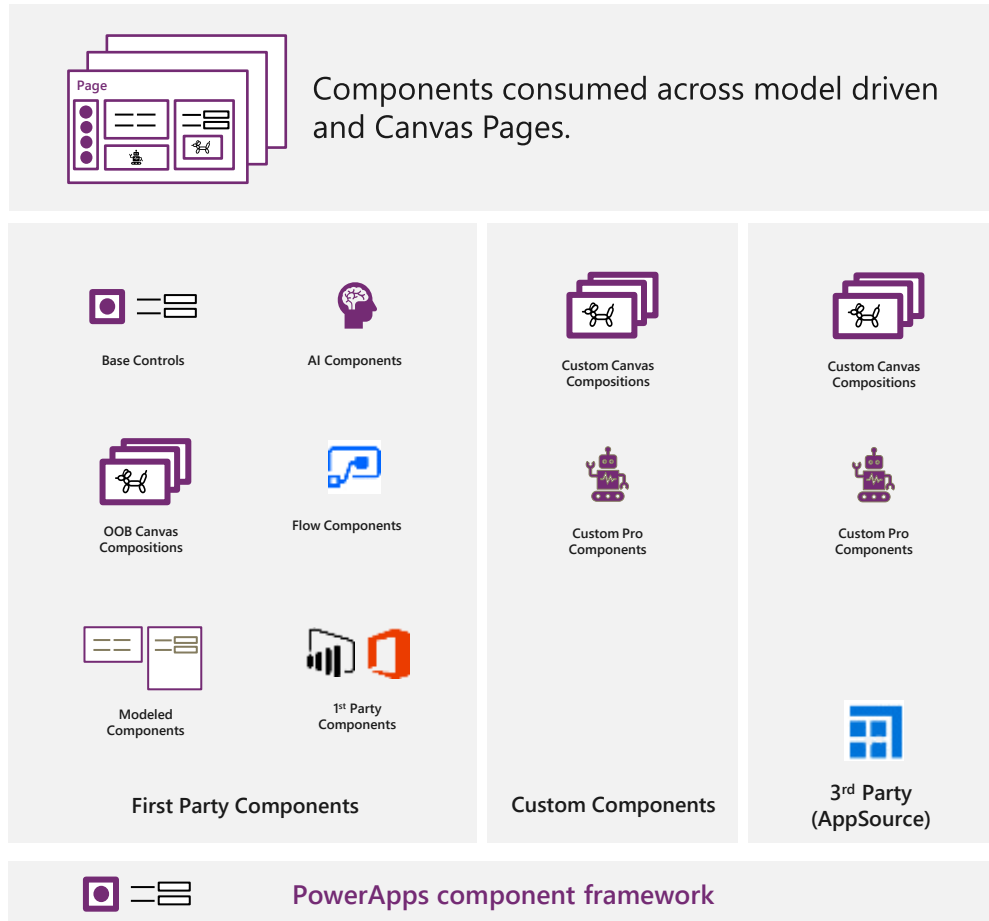
Can be used headless as part of automated build processes

Local debug harness to render and test the control locally

Support for solution packaging

```
greg@C:\dev\demos\pcf-signalr [main = +1 -0 -1 !]  
$ npm run build  
  
> pcf-project@1.0.0 build  
> pcf-scripts build  
  
[10:53:49 PM] [build] Initializing...  
[10:53:49 PM] [build] Validating manifest...  
[10:53:49 PM] [build] Validating control...  
[10:53:50 PM] [build] Generating manifest types...  
[10:53:50 PM] [build] Compiling and bundling control...  
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Entrypoint main = bundle.js  
[./BedlamPlayer/index.ts] 6.42 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/DefaultHttpClient.js] 2.08 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/Errors.js] 5.02 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/HttpClient.js] 1.76 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/HubConnection.js] 41.2 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/HubConnectionBuilder.js] 4.92 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/IHubProtocol.js] 1.61 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/Ilogger.js] 1.59 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/ITransport.js] 1.31 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/JsonHubProtocol.js] 4.28 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/Loggers.js] 596 bytes {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/Subject.js] 1.15 KiB {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/@microsoft/signalr/dist/esm/index.js] 892 bytes {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/uuid/dist/esm-browser/index.js] 412 bytes {main} [built]  
[./node_modules/uuid/dist/esm-browser/nil.js] 54 bytes {main} [built]  
+ 29 hidden modules  
[10:53:52 PM] [build] Generating build outputs...  
[10:53:52 PM] [build] Succeeded  
greg@C:\dev\demos\pcf-signalr [main = +1 -0 -1 !]  
$ pac pcf push -pp grhurl  
Connected to... grhurlcds  
Using full update.  
Building the temporary solution wrapper.  
Building temporary solution wrapper: done.  
Dropping temporary solution wrapper zip file: done.  
File at C:\dev\demos\pcf-signalr\obj\PowerAppsTools_grhurl\bin\Debug\PowerAppsTools_grhurl.zip.  
Importing the temporary solution wrapper into the current org.  
Solution Importing...
```

# Components vs. Code Components



Components can be used in both **Canvas** and **model driven pages**, consumed in a consistent UI regardless of origin.

Rich, low-code compositions of components using expressions and connectors in canvas compositions.

The framework (Code) and compositions (Low code) are used both internally and externally for all components.

A single control framework, the **PowerApps component framework**, is used to develop pro-dev leaf controls and programmatic compositions.

# What makes a framework component?



## Manifest Input File

### Control definition

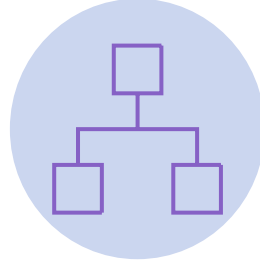
- Name
- Version
- Properties
- Resource file references



## Component Implementation

### Code

- TypeScript or JavaScript
- User Interface
- Functionality



## Resource Files

### Static Resources

- CSS
- Localization
- Images, etc.



# Why use TypeScript?

1. Type checking at compile time
2. Modular and object oriented
3. Better Developer Tooling support (e.g., refactoring)
4. ES6+ features (e.g., async) can be used before supported by browsers
5. As complexity grows – your code stay maintainable
6. PCF templates use TypeScript



# Building, Testing and Debugging the control

Pre-defined build process that allows developers to focus purely on control development

Built project files are created in the output directory (including static files)

Quickly see your control **without having to upload** to your environment

Test your control on local machine browser in a provided host page

Inspect control layout and behavior before uploading to your org



# Demo: Building a Code Component



# References



# Questions?

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## ■ Breakout Sessions

BRK270HFS The future of app development with the Microsoft Power Platform	BRK271H AI innovation in the Microsoft Power Platform	BRK272H Accelerate development with Visual Studio and Microsoft Power Platform
BRK273H Full stack scale with the Microsoft Power Platform		

## ▲ Discussions

DIS170 Microsoft Power Platform governance and Application Lifecycle Management, Q&A	DIS173 Microsoft Power Platform and code-first development, Q&A	DIS271H Data-driven app and web development with Microsoft Power Platform, Q&A
DIS272H The future of AI and generative code, Q&A	DIS274H Designing and implementing automation and conversational AI, Q&A	

## ▲ Demos | In-person Only

DEM170A Build web apps and connect to data faster using Microsoft Power Pages
DEM171A Catalog in Microsoft Power Platform for pro developers
DEM171B Power Fx and AI in Microsoft Dataverse

## ▲ Labs | In-person Only

LAB170 Skill up with Microsoft Power Platform and GitHub
LAB171 Build an end-to-end customer engagement app with Azure Communication
LAB172 Building your low-code hyperscale backend on Microsoft Dataverse

# Low-code Expert Meet-up

Expert Meet-ups will be held in nine rooms on levels 3 and 4 of the SCC, organized by topic (.NET, AI, cloud development, data platform, developer tools, collaborative apps, DevSecOps and SRE, low-code, and Windows).

Joining an Expert Meet-up is easy. Simply find the room that relates to your question and join the conversation. The rooms will be broken into focus areas for easy navigation, but if you still are not sure where to go, stop by the concierge desk at the entrance of each room to find out which expert to connect with.

## **Focus areas**

- Power Apps
- Power Automate
- Power Pages
- Power Virtual Agents
- Dataverse
- AI Builder
- Power FX
- Application Lifecycle Management
- Connectors/API's

# Additional Resources

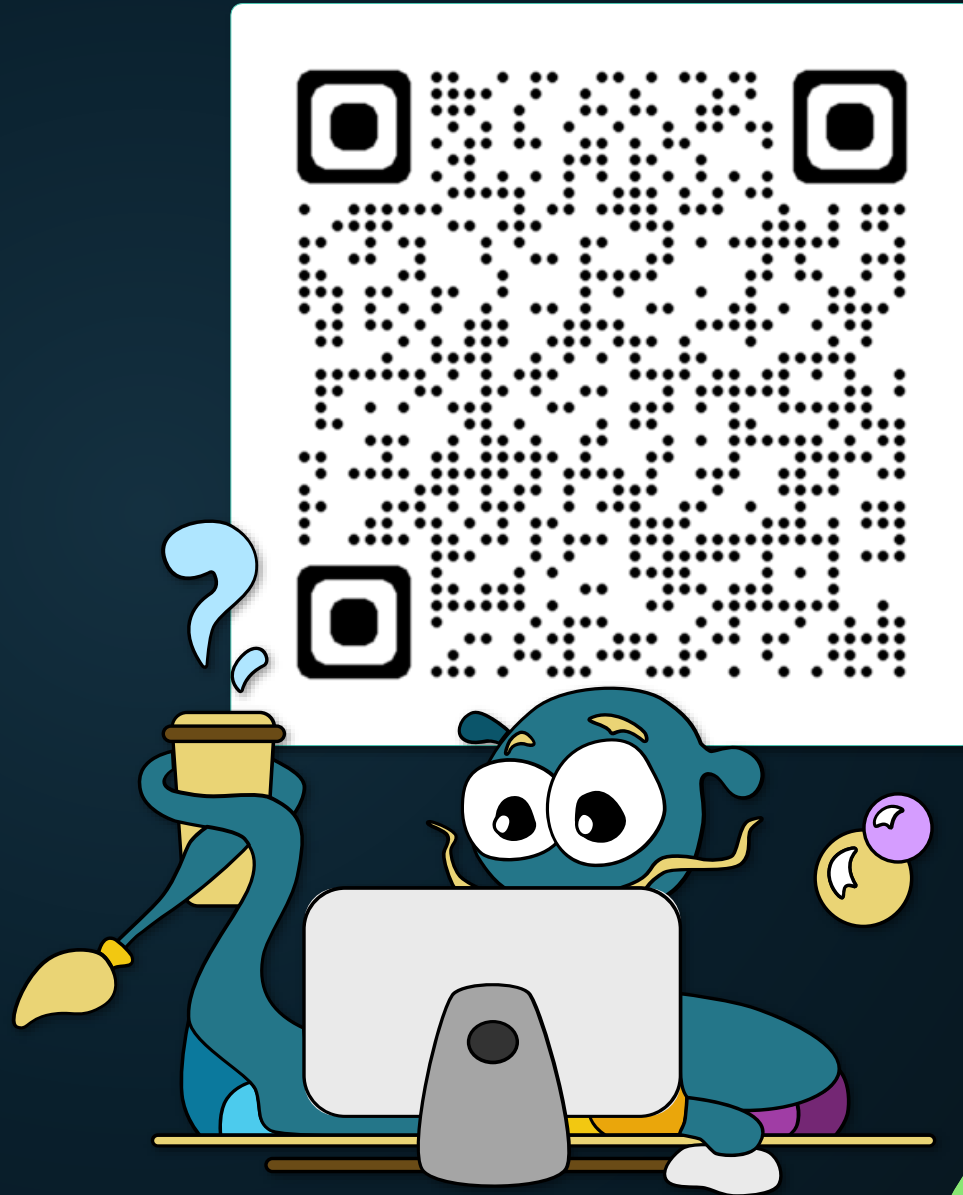
- Power Platform + Java Workshop: <https://aka.ms/JavaPowerWorkshop>
- Power Platform + Mixed Reality: <https://aka.ms/pp/mr/workshop>
- Power BI + Azure Synapse: <https://aka.ms/PBISynapseWorkshop>
- Power Platform Prompt Library: <https://aka.ms/ppprompts>
- Power Platform Samples: <https://aka.ms/powerplatform-samples>
- Power Platform Developer Blog: <https://aka.ms/PowerPlatformDevBlog>
- Power Platform Dev Blog Guest Blog Signup: <https://aka.ms/PowerPlatformDevBlogGuest>
- Power Platform Actions Labs: <https://github.com/microsoft/powerplatform-actions-lab>
- ALM Accelerator: <https://aka.ms/almaccelerator>

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