# **Developing with Azure Functions**



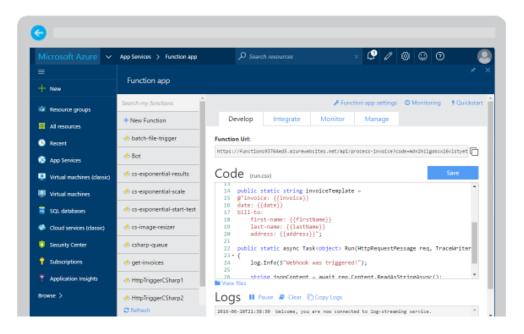
#### **Agenda**

- Introduction to Developing with Azure Functions
- Creating and Testing Azure Functions in the Azure Portal
- Using Azure Functions to Create a Custom Web API
- Configuring Security and Cross-Origin Resource Sharing
- Calling Azure Functions from SPFX Web Parts
- Developing Azure Function in Visual Studio using C#



#### **Azure Functions**

Create a "serverless" event-driven experience that extends the existing Azure App Service platform by building "nanoservices" that can scale based on demand





#### **Dual abstraction**

- Serverless compute abstracts away the compute
- Bindings abstract away services you interact with

Other Services

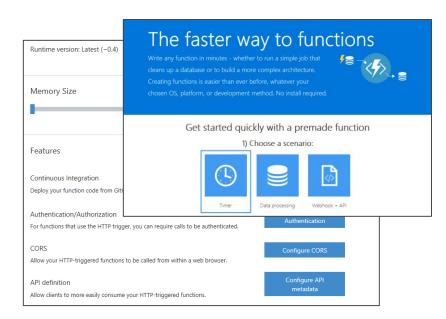


Serverless PaaS



### **Supported Languages and Tools**

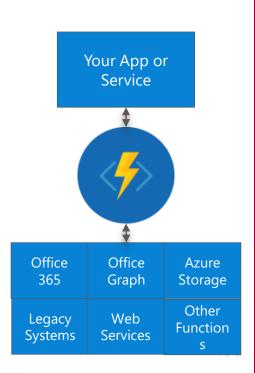
Create functions in JavaScript, C#, Python, and PHP, as well as scripting options such as Bash, Batch, and PowerShell, that can be triggered by virtually any event in Azure, 3rd party services, or on premise systems





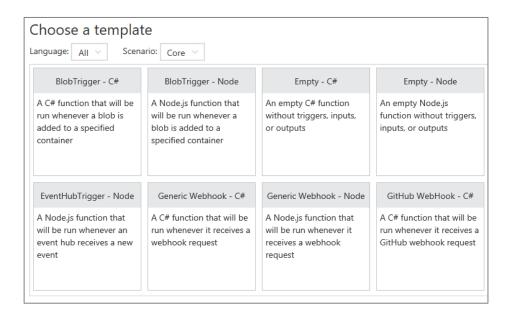
#### **Common Scenarios**

- Timer-based processing
- Azure service event processing
- SaaS event processing
- Serverless web application architectures
- Serverless mobile backends
- Real-time stream processing
- Real-time bot messaging



### **Function App Templates**

- Function App templates
  - BlobTrigger
  - EventHubTrigger
  - Generic webhook
  - GitHub webhook
  - HTTPTrigger
  - QueueTrigger
  - ServiceBusQueueTrigger
  - ServiceBusTopicTrigger
  - TimerTrigger
  - Blank & Experimental





#### **Timer Function Apps**

- Run at explicitly specified intervals
  - e.g. executes once every 5 minutes
  - Configured using CRON expressions ( "0 \*/5 \* \* \* \* ")
  - Can send information to other systems, but typically don't "return" information, only write to logs
  - Great for redundant cleanup and data management
  - Great for checking state of services
  - Can be combined with other functions



### **Data Processing Function Apps**

- Run when triggered by a data event, such as an item being added to a queue or container
  - Typically have in and out parameters
  - Great for responding to CRUD events
  - Great for performing CRUD events
  - Great for moving content
  - Access data across services



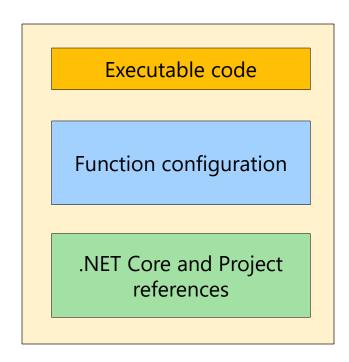
### Webhook & API Function Apps

- Triggered by events in other services
  - GitHub
  - Team Foundation Services
  - Office 365
  - OneDrive
  - Microsoft PowerApps
- Takes in a request and sends back a response
  - Often mimic Web API and legacy web services flows
  - Typically need CORS settings managed
  - Best for exposing functionality to other apps and services
  - Great for building Logic Apps



### **Anatomy of a Function**

- "Run" file that containing the function code
- "Function" file containing service & trigger bindings & parameters
- "Project" file containing project assembly and NuGet packages
- App Service settings, such as connection strings and API keys





## **Function Bindings**

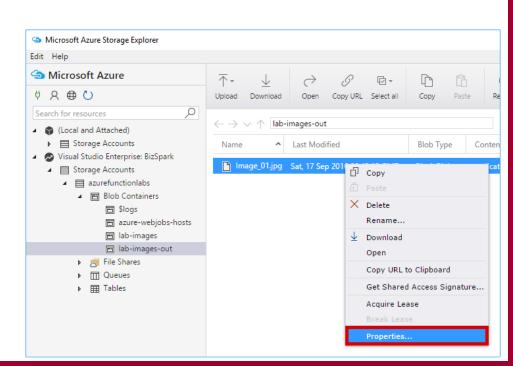
- Bindings used to create connections to and from function
  - Many bindings can be "bi-directional" as well.

Туре	Service	Trigger	Input	Output
Schedule	Azure Functions	✓		
HTTP (REST or webhook)	Azure Functions	✓		<b>*</b> *
Blob Storage	Azure Storage	✓	✓	✓
Events	Azure Event Hubs	✓		<b>✓</b>
Queues	Azure Storage	✓		<b>✓</b>
Tables	Azure Storage		✓	✓
Tables	Azure Mobile Apps		✓	<b>✓</b>
No-SQL DB	Azure DocumentDB		<b>~</b>	✓
Push Notifications	Azure Notification Hubs			<b>✓</b>

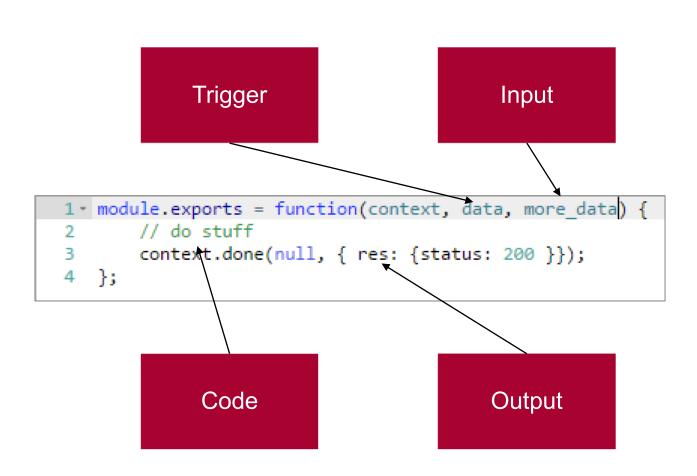


### **Testing Functions**

- Command-line tools
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party products such as Postman and Swagger
- Direct web calls via cURL
- Nested functions
- Microsoft Azure Storage Explorer
- Visual Studio Cloud Explorer



## Functions programming concepts





# **Azure Function Development Process**

