

# Scaling the Monolith

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# It's a Trilogy!

Scaling the monolith

Refactoring the monolith

Strangling the monolith

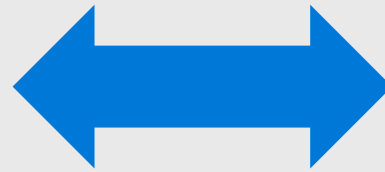
# Scalability

## Scale up



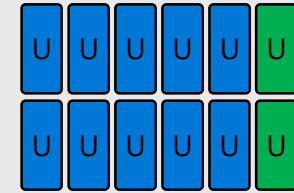
Scale up App Services  
Scale up VMs  
Scale up SQL DB  
More cores, more RAM

## Scale out



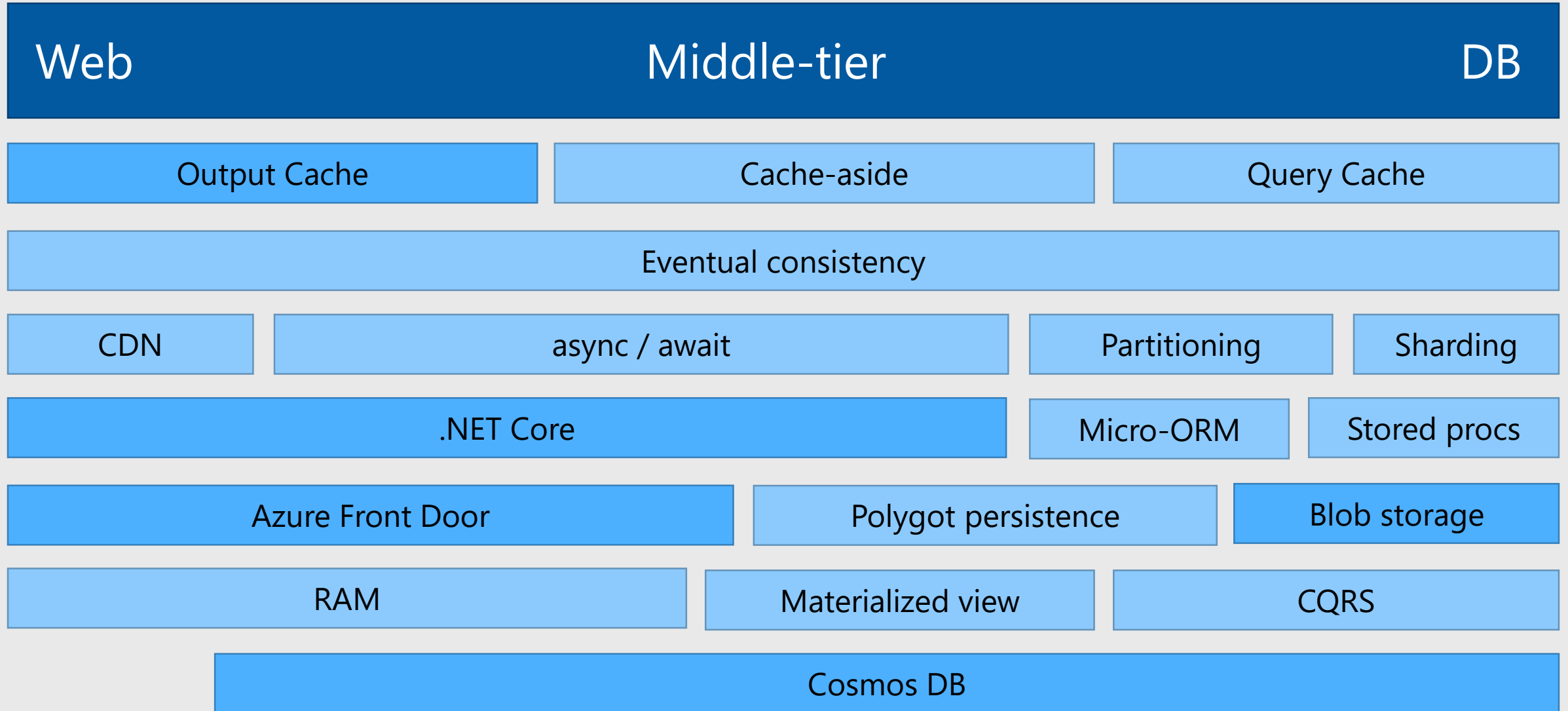
Scale out App Services  
Scale out VM Scale Sets  
Auto-scale  
Web farm + Load balancing  
SQL Clustering

## Optimize

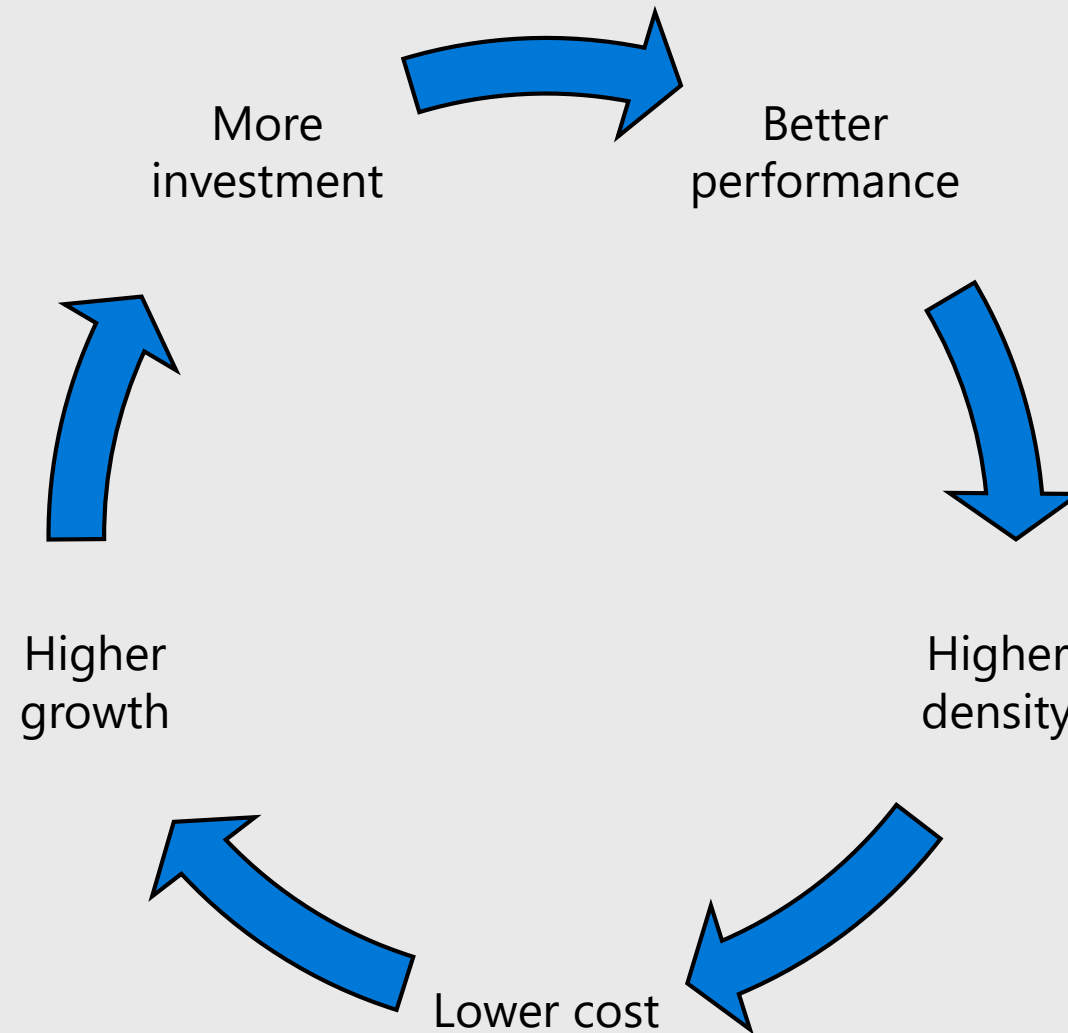


Scalability of Software Architecture  
Optimization of Software (code)  
Optimization of Platform services  
Cloud design patterns

# Patterns and practices for Scalability of software

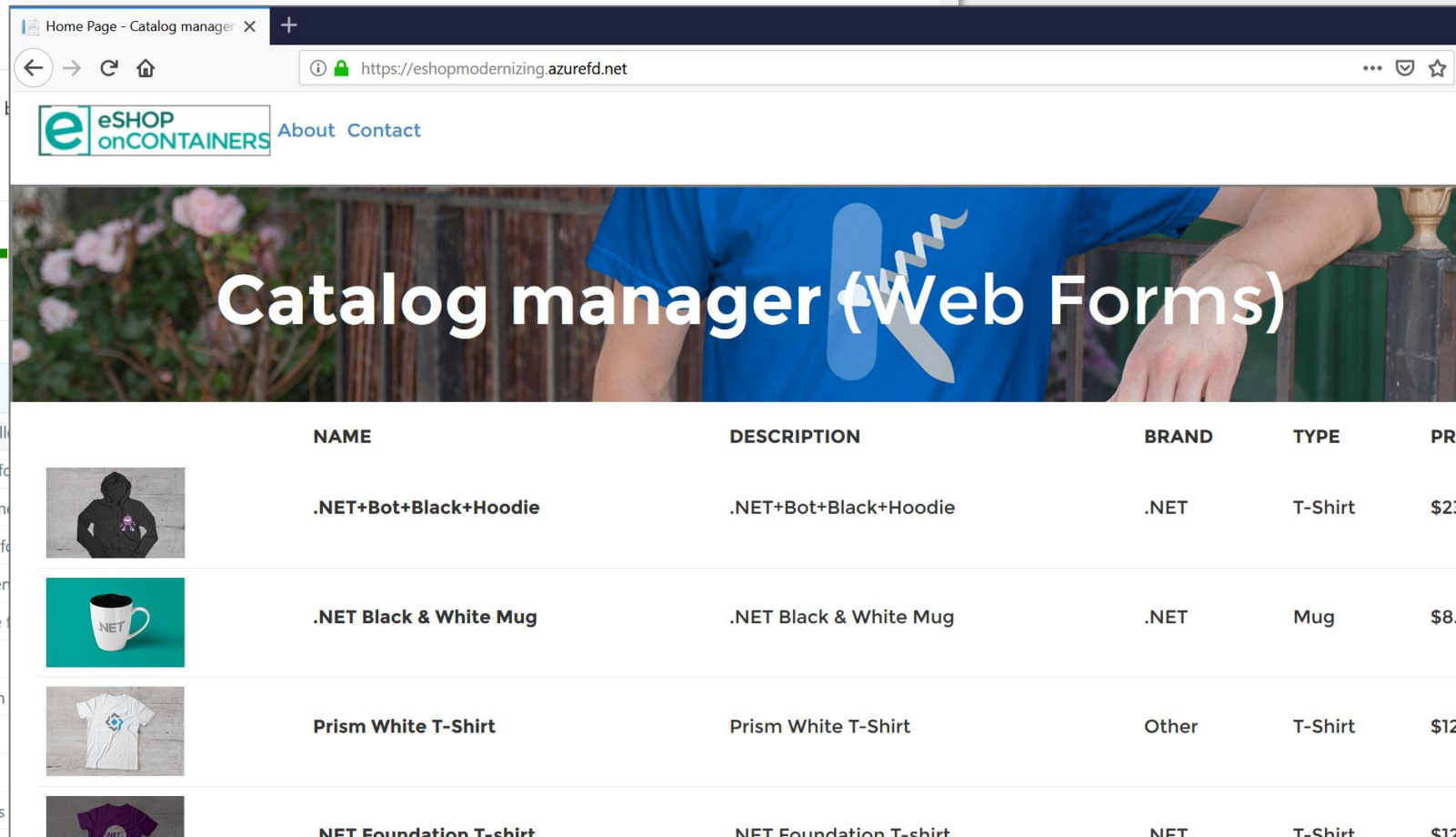
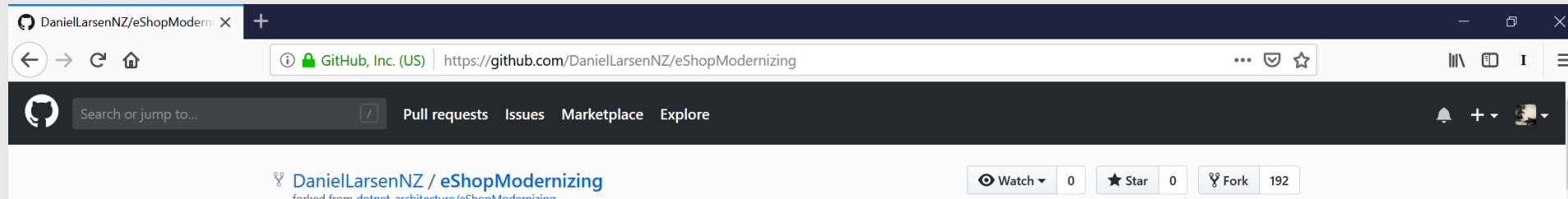


# Performance engineering



# eShopModernizing

<https://github.com/DanielLarsenNZ/eShopModernizing>



# Key performance indicators

↓ 10ms

server response

↓ 1s

page load

↓ 100

dtu max

↑ 10,000

rpm / core

↑ 25:1

web : db calls



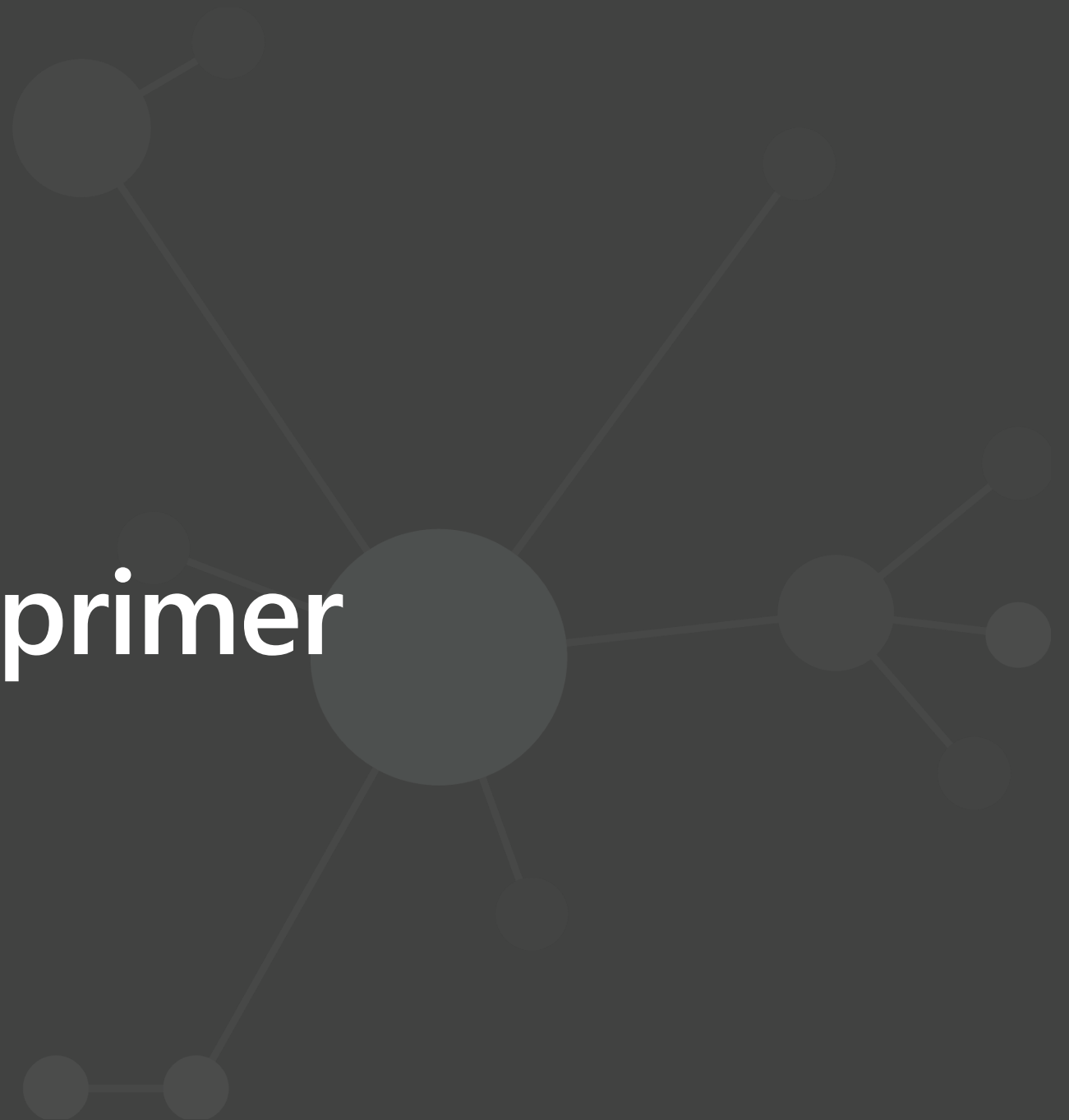
Demo

# Azure DevOps Load Tests

<https://eshopmodernizingpv2-baseline.azurewebsites.net/>

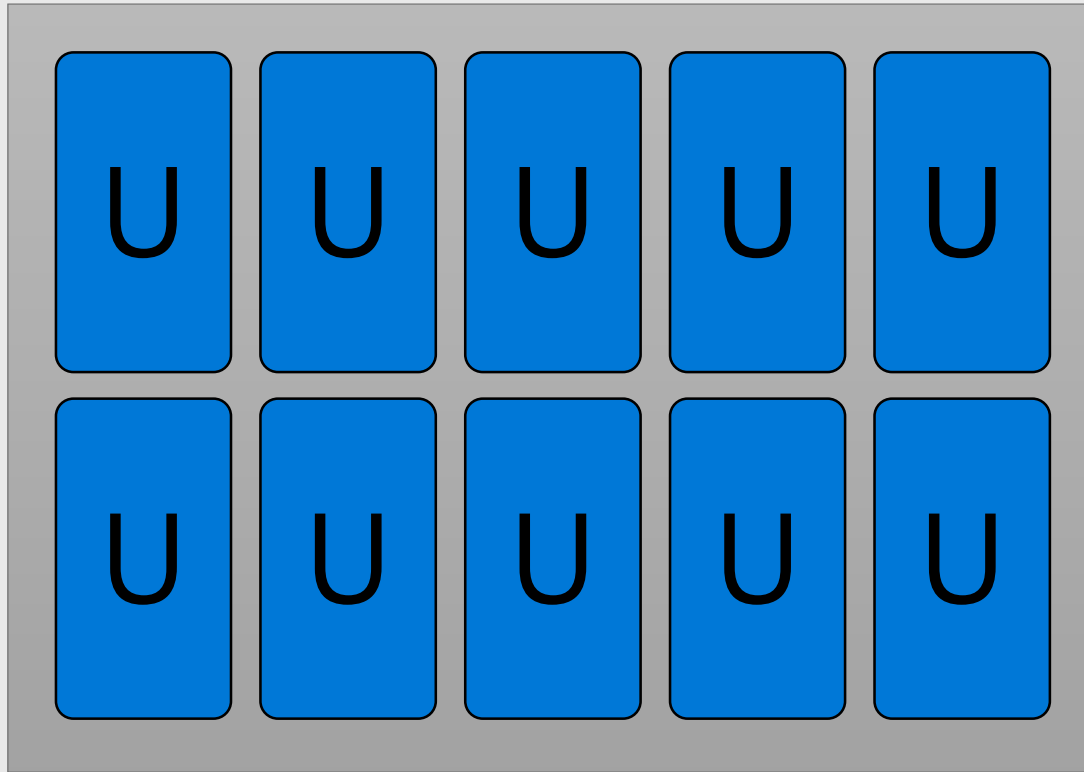


# Cloud economics primer



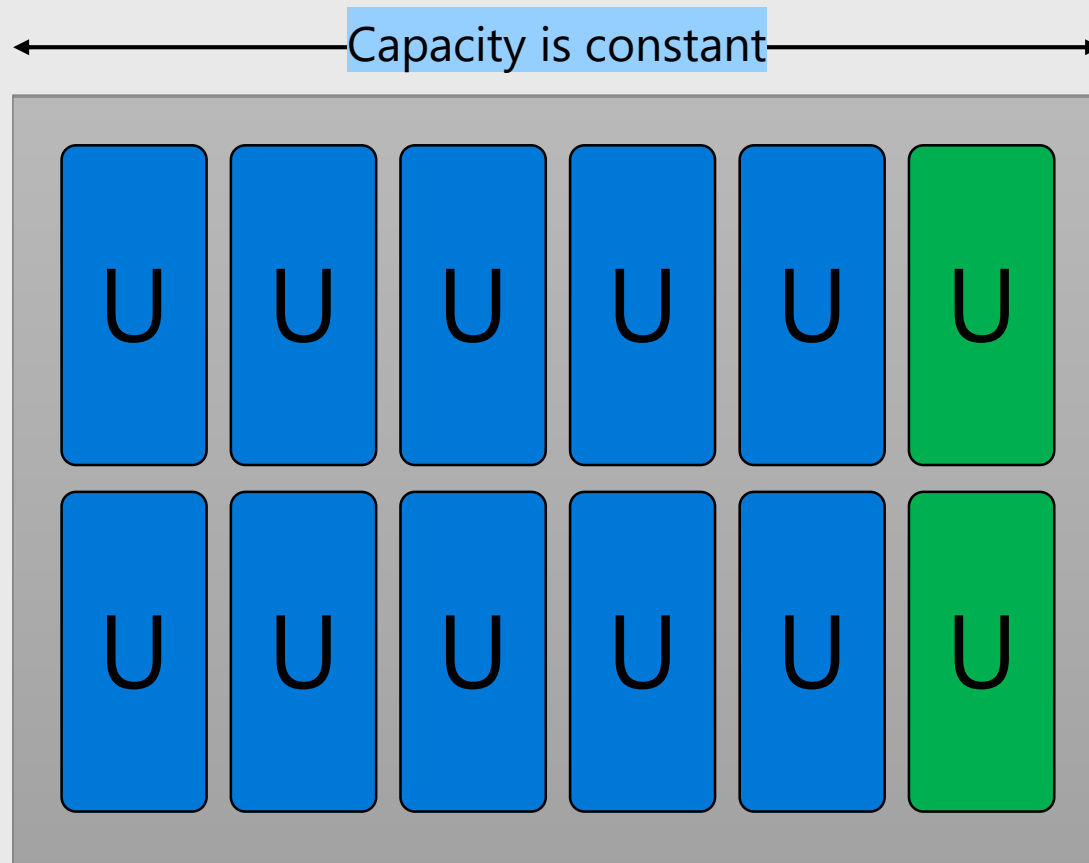
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Cost to serve: e.g. Cost per  $n$  users / tenants / transactions



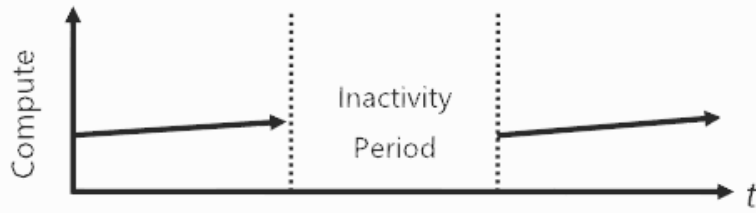
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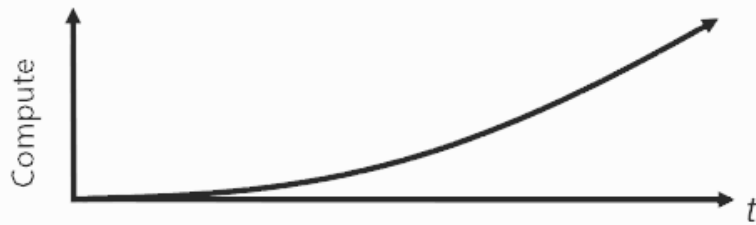
20% higher density = 20% reduction in cost to serve

# Cloud Computing Patterns



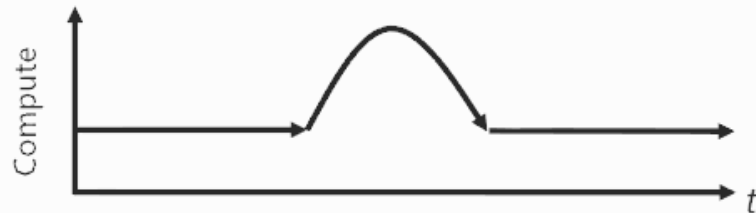
## On and Off

On & off workloads (e.g. batch job)  
Over provisioned capacity is wasted  
Time to market can be cumbersome



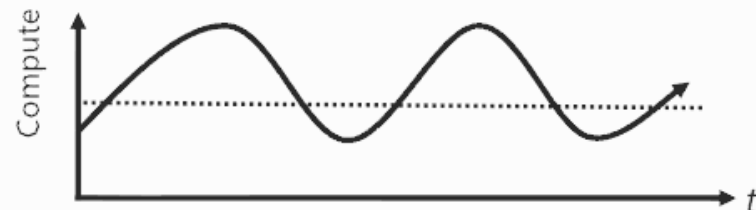
## Growing Fast

Successful services needs to grow/scale  
Keeping up w/ growth is big IT challenge  
Cannot provision hardware fast enough



## Unpredictable Bursting

Unexpected/unplanned peak in demand  
Sudden spike impacts performance  
Can't over provision for extreme cases

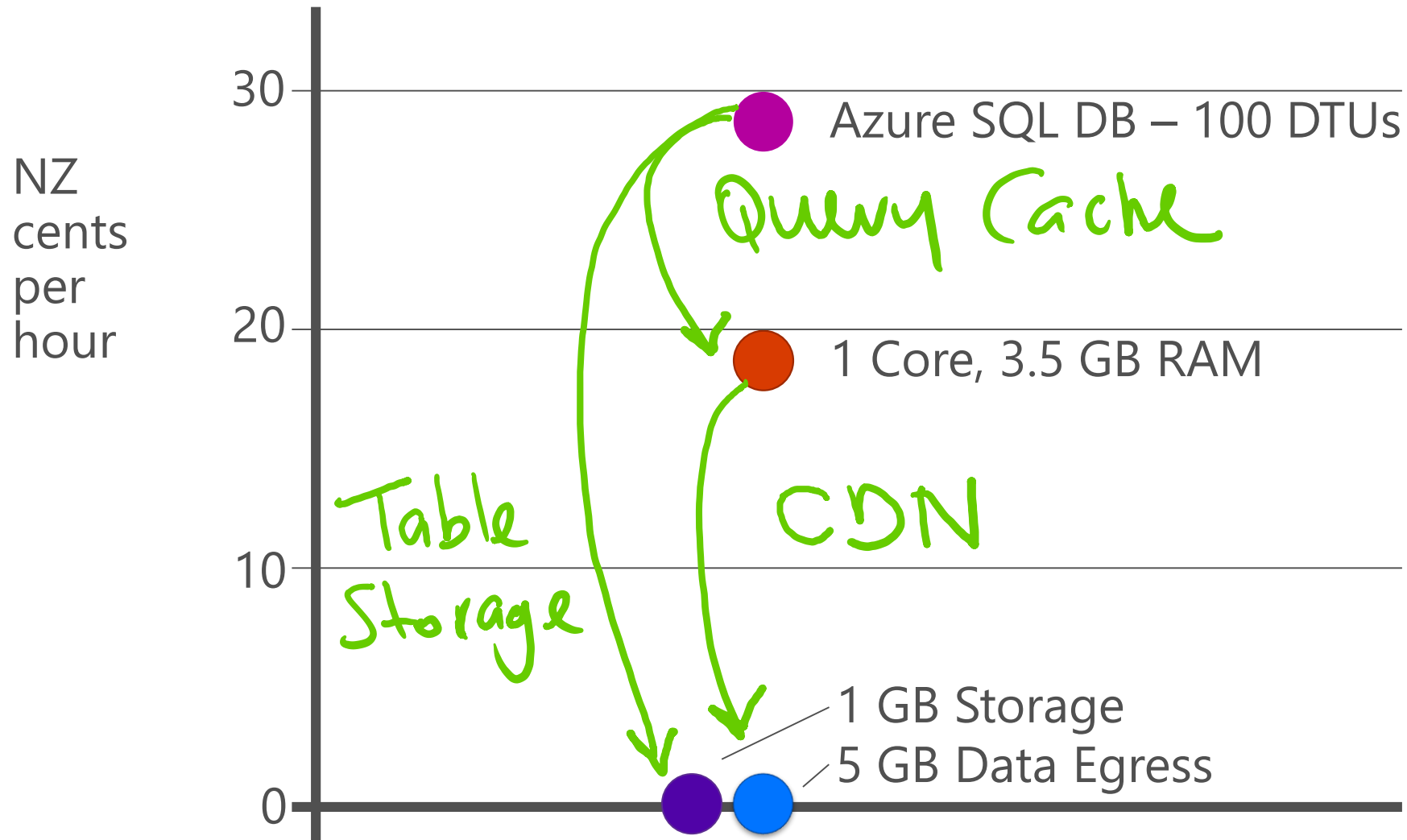


## Predictable Bursting

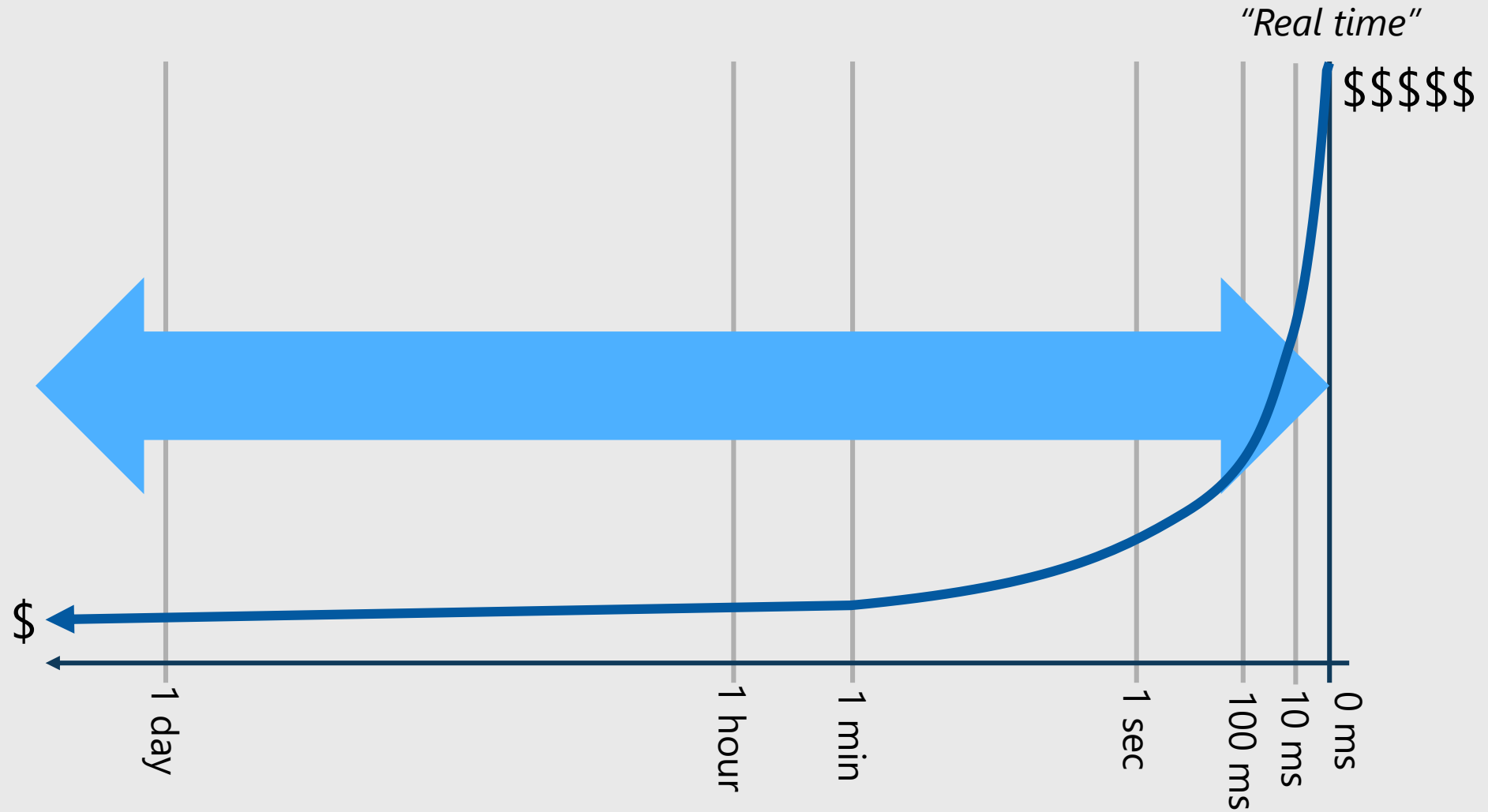
Services with micro seasonality trends  
Peaks due to periodic increased demand  
IT complexity and wasted capacity

# Optimising costs

Polygot Persistence



# Eventual consistency



# As a User

The screenshot shows a Jira user story detail view for 'MyFirstProject Team'. The user story is titled '541 As a Store User I want to browse a list of Products' and is currently 'Unassigned'. It has 0 comments and was updated just now. The story is located in the 'MyFirstProject' area, specifically in the 'MyFirstProject\Release CHG1\Sprint 2' iteration. The description states: 'So that I can choose a product to add to my cart.' The acceptance criteria are: 1. List is paged in pages of 10 products (by default), 2. Displays pic for each Product, 3. Product pic and Name click through to Product detail. The non-functional requirements are: 1. T<sub>TL</sub> = 30 seconds, 2. Avg. page load < 1.5 seconds. The right sidebar shows the 'Planning' section with 'Story Points' and 'Priority 2', and the 'Classification' section with 'Value area' and 'Business'. The 'Development' section indicates that development hasn't started on this item. The 'Related Work' section also shows no links in this group.

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MyFirstProject Team

USER STORY 541\*

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Unassigned 0 comments Add tag Save & Close Follow

State New Area MyFirstProject Updated just now

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Planning

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Risk

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+ Add link

Development hasn't started on this item.

Create a new branch

Related Work

+ Add link

There are no links in this group

Demo

# Output Cache

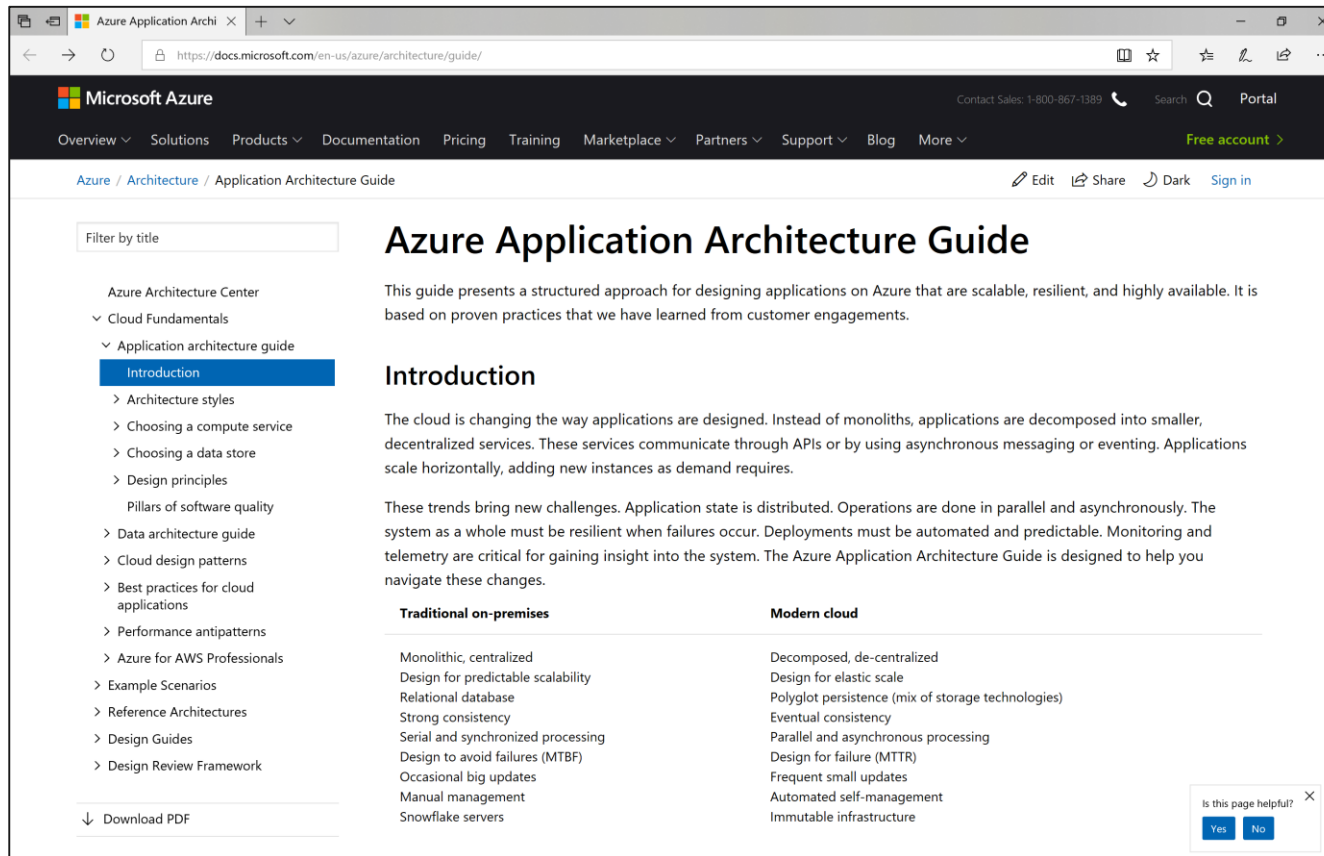




# Scalability checklist



# Azure Application Architecture Guide



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<https://aka.ms/architecture>



# Scalability checklist

The **Scalability checklist** contains 30+ recommendations. 10 are listed here.

	Recommendation	Patterns & guidance
1	Review the performance antipatterns	<a href="#">Performance antipatterns</a>
2	Use asynchronous calls	<a href="#">Asynchronous programming</a>
3	Design for eventual consistency	<a href="#">Data Consistency Primer</a>
4	Use data partitioning, Consider de-normalizing data	<a href="#">Data partitioning</a> , <a href="#">Materialized View</a>
5	Minimize load on the data store, Minimize the volume of data retrieved, Optimize and tune SQL queries and indexes	<a href="#">Automatic tuning in Azure SQL Database</a>
6	Partition the workload, design for scaling, scale as a unit	<a href="#">Microservices architecture</a>
7	Aggressively cache, Use output cache, Enable client caching	<a href="#">Caching Guidance</a>
8	Offload and distribute intensive CPU/IO tasks	<a href="#">Background jobs</a> , <a href="#">Competing Consumers</a>
9	Use queues to level load	<a href="#">Queue-Based Load Leveling Pattern</a>
10	Carry out performance profiling and load testing	<a href="#">Testing cloud service performance</a>

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/checklist/scalability>

# Performance antipatterns for cloud applications

A *performance antipattern* is a common practice that is likely to cause scalability problems when an application is under pressure.

Busy Database	Offloading too much processing to a data store
Busy Front End	Moving resource-intensive tasks onto background threads
Chatty I/O	The cumulative effect of a large number of I/O requests
Extraneous Fetching	Retrieving more data than is needed, resulting in unnecessary I/O
Improper Instantiation	Repeatedly creating and destroying objects that are designed to be reused
Monolithic Persistence	Using the same data store for data with very different usage patterns
No Caching	Failing to cache data
Synchronous I/O	Blocking the calling thread while I/O completes

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/antipatterns/index>

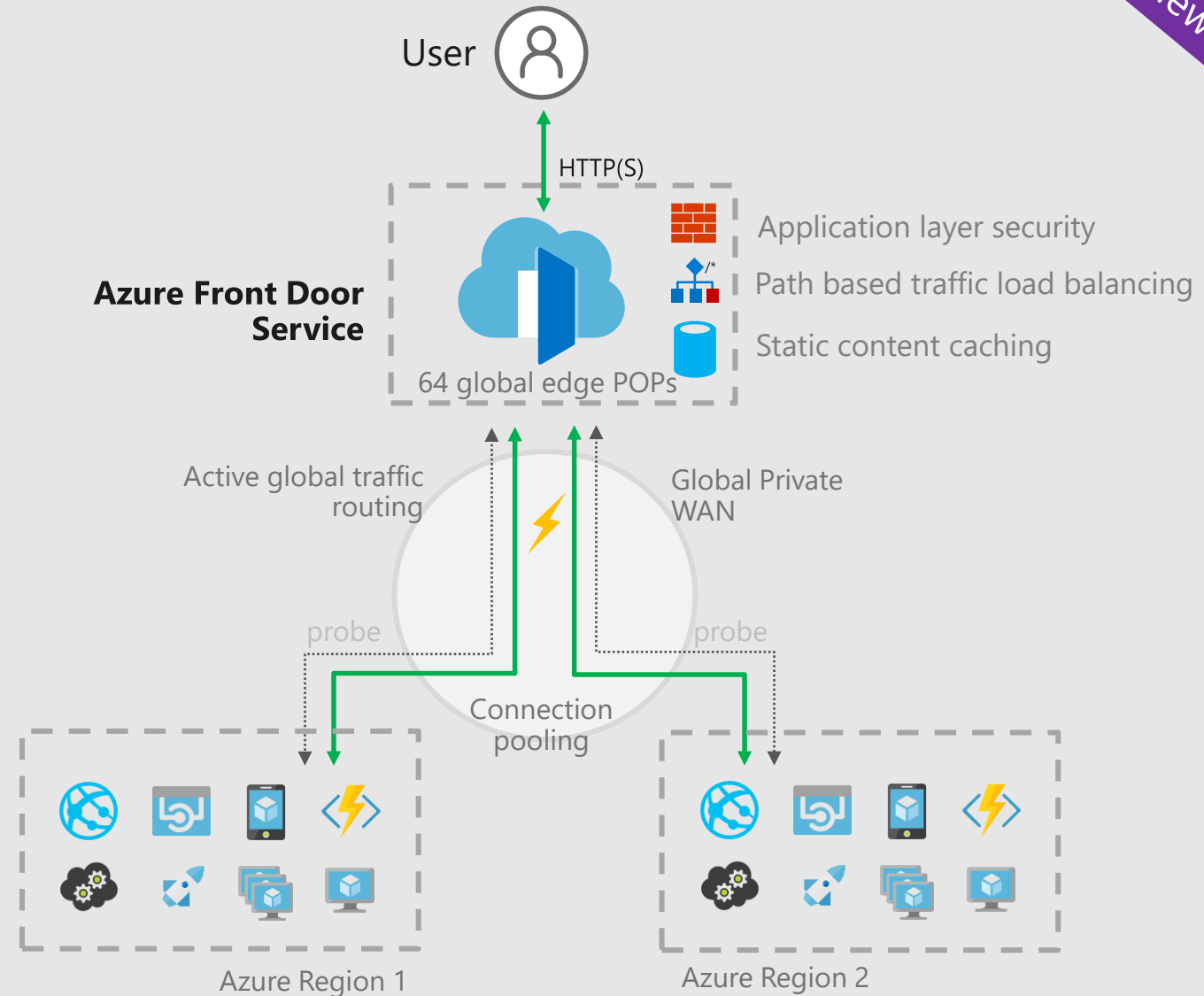


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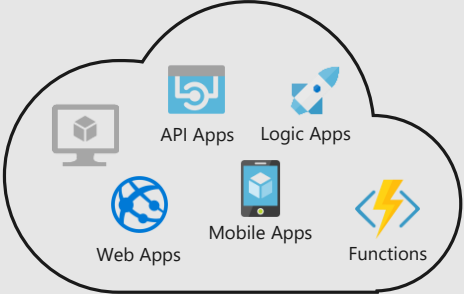


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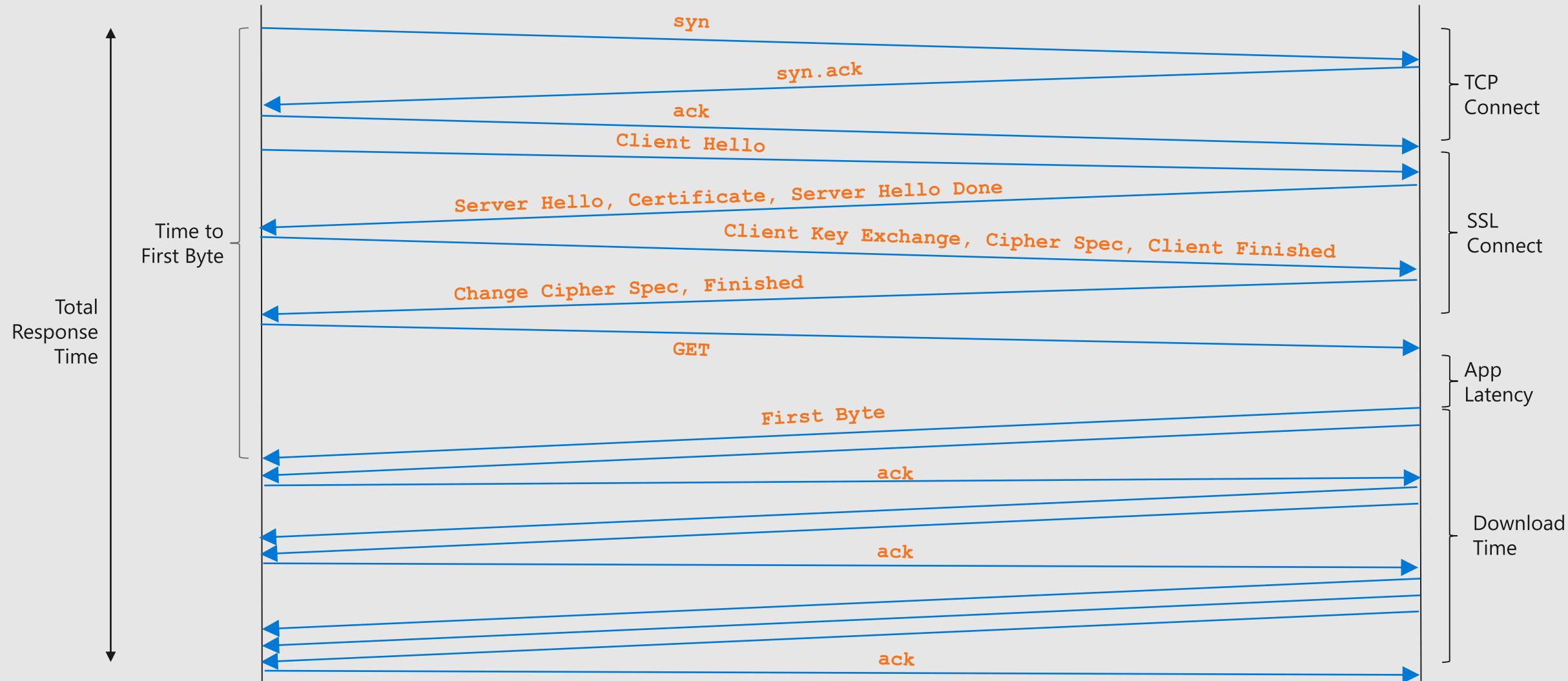
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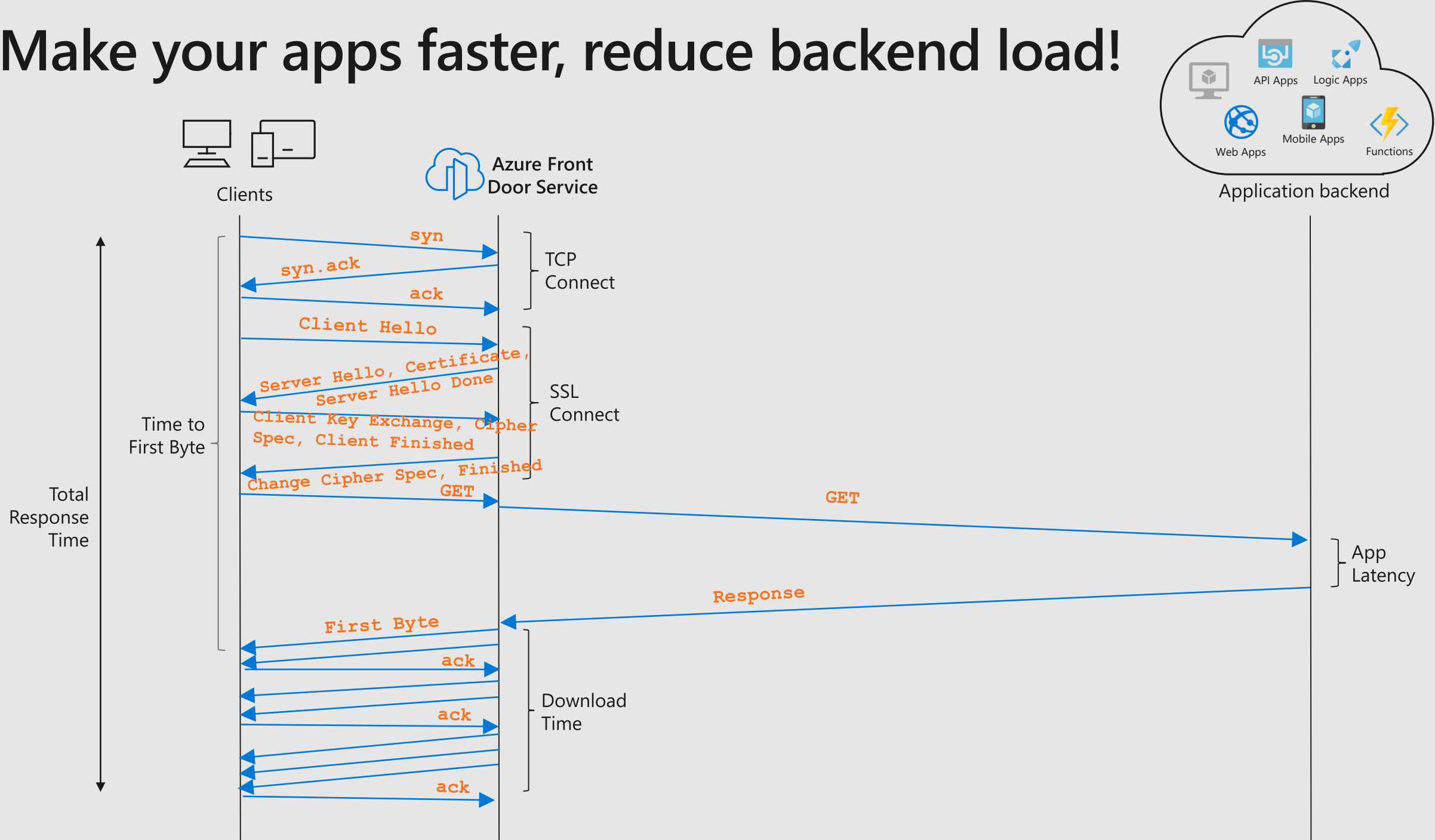
Clients



Application backend



# Make your apps faster, reduce backend load!



Demo

# Azure Front Door

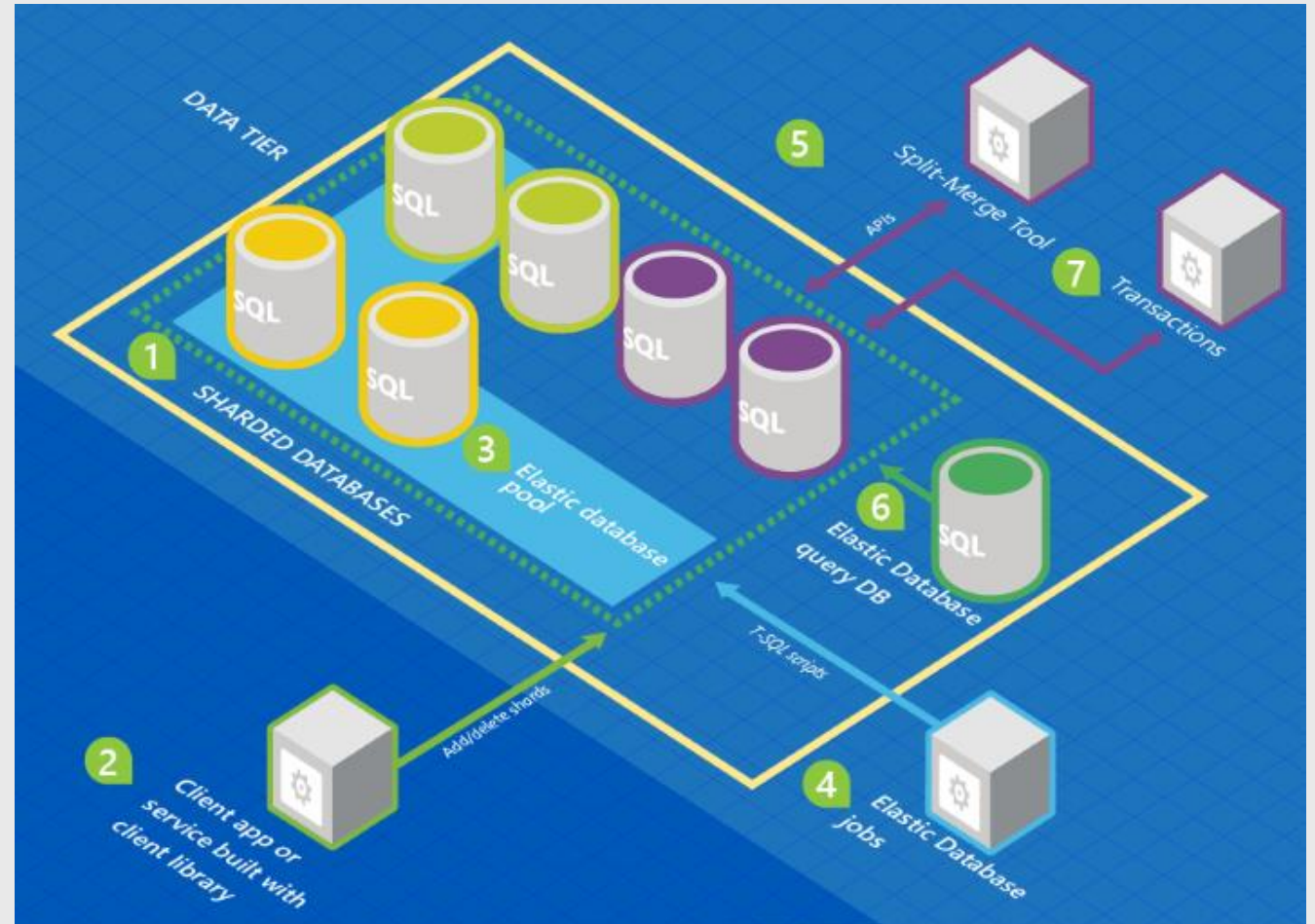




# Scaling out with Azure SQL Database

## Elastic Database Tools

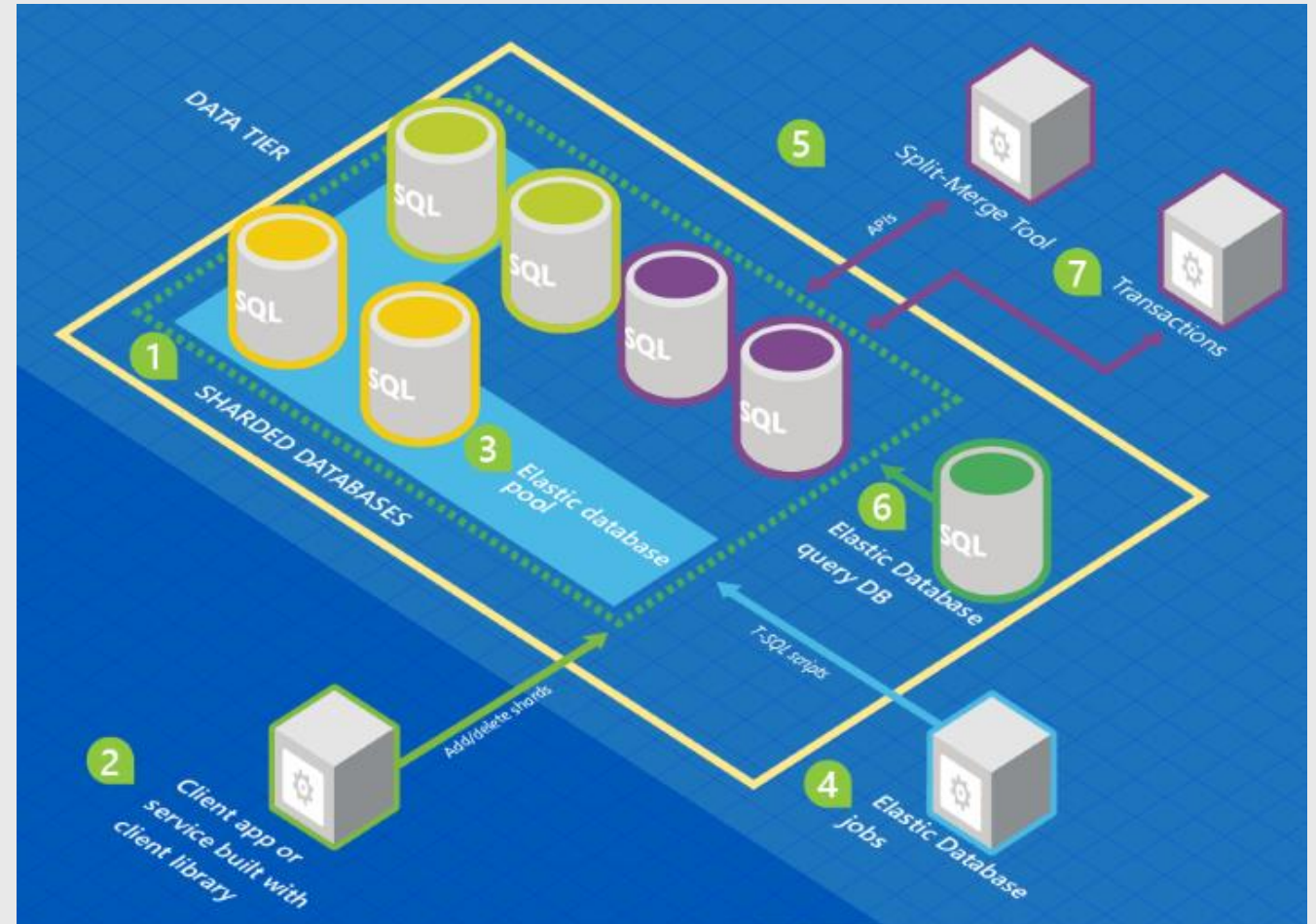
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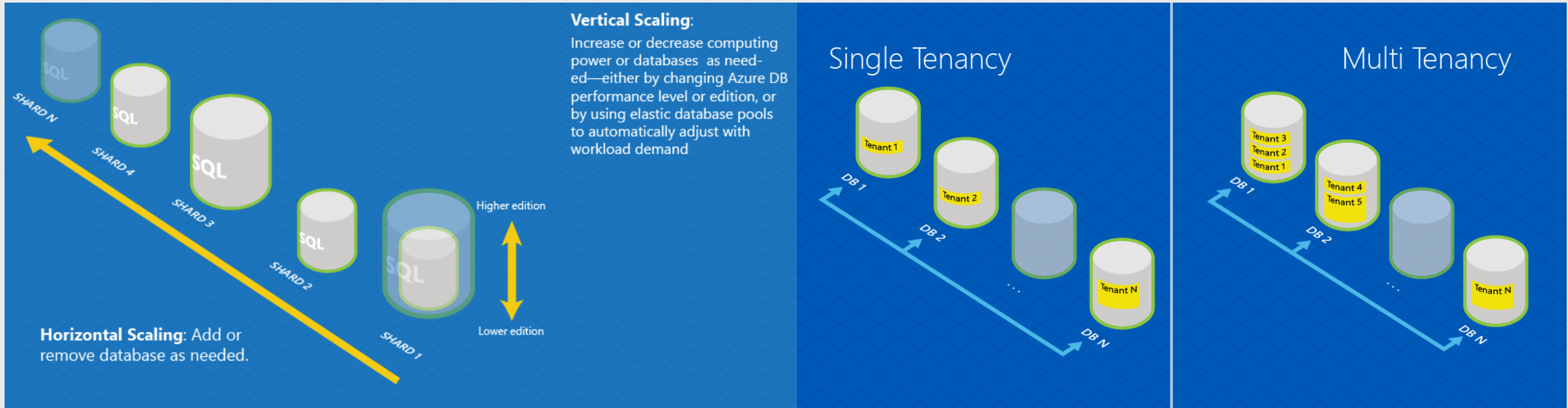
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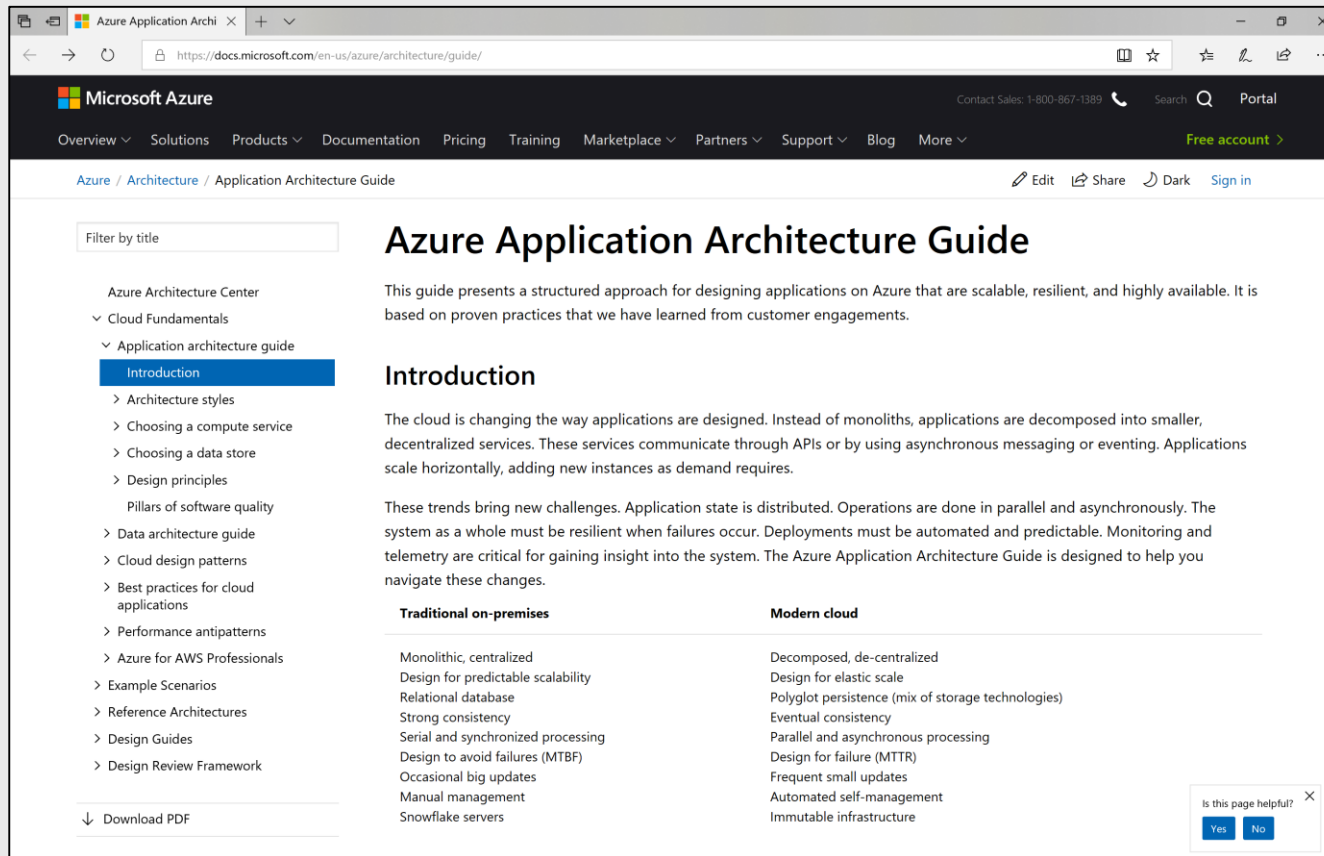
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# Wrapping up



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