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What are the latest changes in the Microsoft Azure Architect (AZ-305) Exam?

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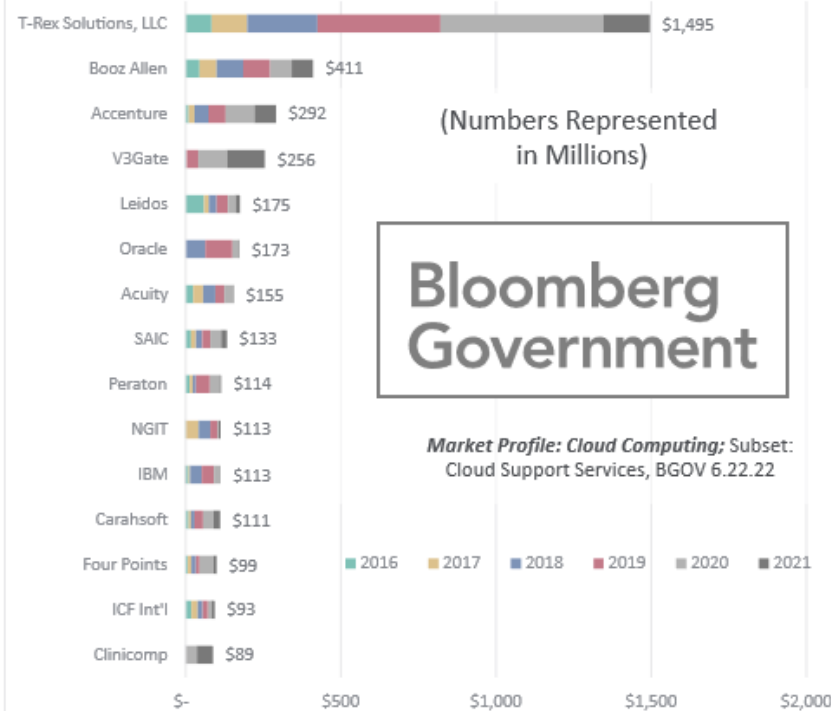
Please, checkout the blog posts at Cloud Marathoner site below.

<https://theCloudMarathoner.com>   

What we do; where we do it; how it relates



Top Cloud Support Services Vendors



Company Info

- **Established:** 1999
- **Legal Structure:** LLC
- **Headquarters:** Greenbelt, MD
- **8(a)/HUBZone & SDVOSB Joint Ventures**
- **CMMI-DEV & SVC Level 3 v2.0**
- **ISO 9001; ISO27001; ISO20000**

Prime Vehicles/BPAs:

- GSA MAS HACS SIN
- GSA MAS Cloud SIN
- GSA MAS IT Svcs SIN
- COBRA OTA
- CIO-SP3 Small Business
- STARS III via MPJV
- GSA MAS HACS SB & Cloud SIN SB via MPJV

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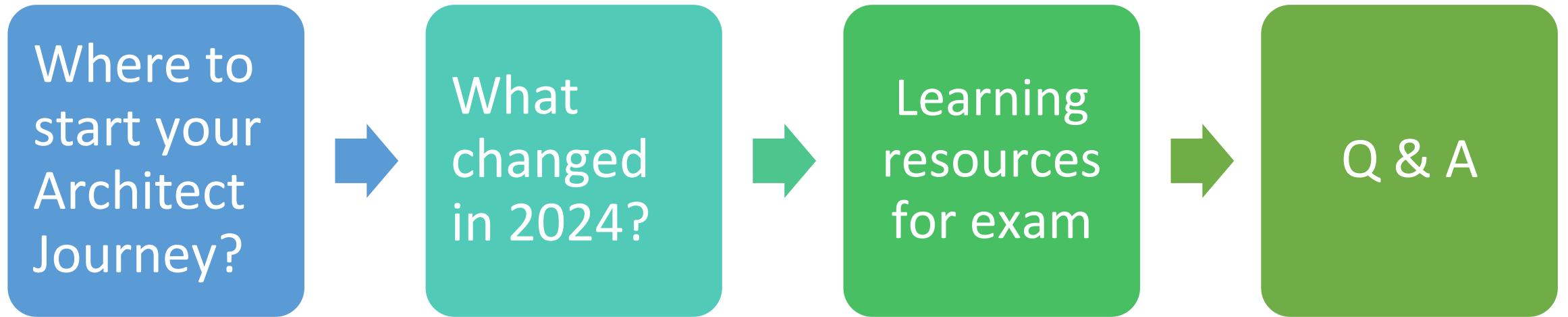


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What we will cover



Certification journey

Your path to Azure Solutions Architect Expert

Microsoft training

- Self-paced online learning (on Microsoft Learn)
- AZ-305T00: Designing Microsoft Azure Infrastructure Solutions

AZ-305: Designing Microsoft Azure Infrastructure Solutions Exam Prep
You are here – welcome!



AZ-305: Designing Microsoft Azure Infrastructure Solutions Exam



Microsoft Certified:
Azure Solutions Architect Expert



Microsoft Certified:
Azure Administrator Associate
(Prerequisite)



Work experience

- Experience in Azure administration
- Advanced experience and knowledge of IT operations
- Experience with Azure development and DevOps

Self-study resources

- Hands-on Labs
- Microsoft Docs
- Azure Architecture Center
- Microsoft Official Practice Test
- Focus placed on skills identified during this session

What we have in AZ-305 exam?



What changed within the last year?

- Microsoft Entra ID branding
- Azure Blueprints are deprecated
- Cosmos DB for PostgreSQL REST API
- DDoS Protection tiers (two types) are added
- Design for Azure Workbooks updated



Exam domain objective Group 1

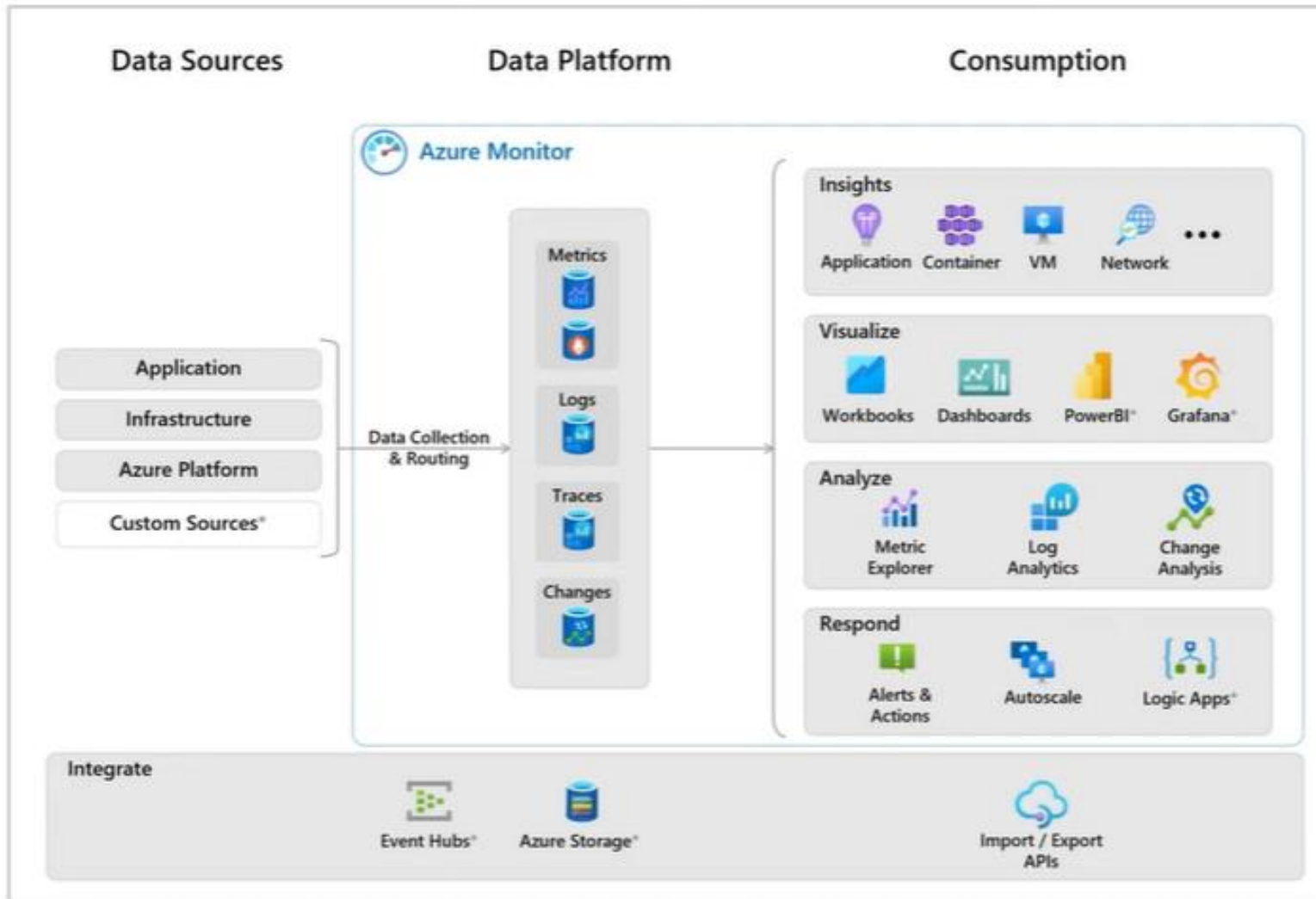
AZ-305 exam – Skills Measured 1

Design identity, governance, and monitoring solutions

- 1.1 Design a solution for logging and monitoring
- 1.2 Design authentication and authorization solutions
- 1.3 Design governance



Closer look at Monitoring exam domain objective



Exam domain objective Group 2

AZ-305 exam – Skills Measured 2

Design Data Storage Solutions

2.1 Design a data storage solution for relational data




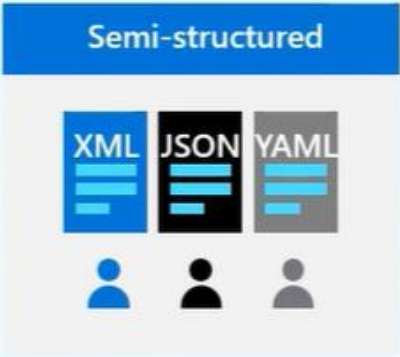
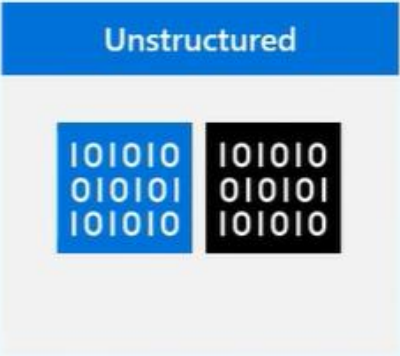
2.2 Design data storage solutions for semi-structured and unstructured data

2.3 Design data integration

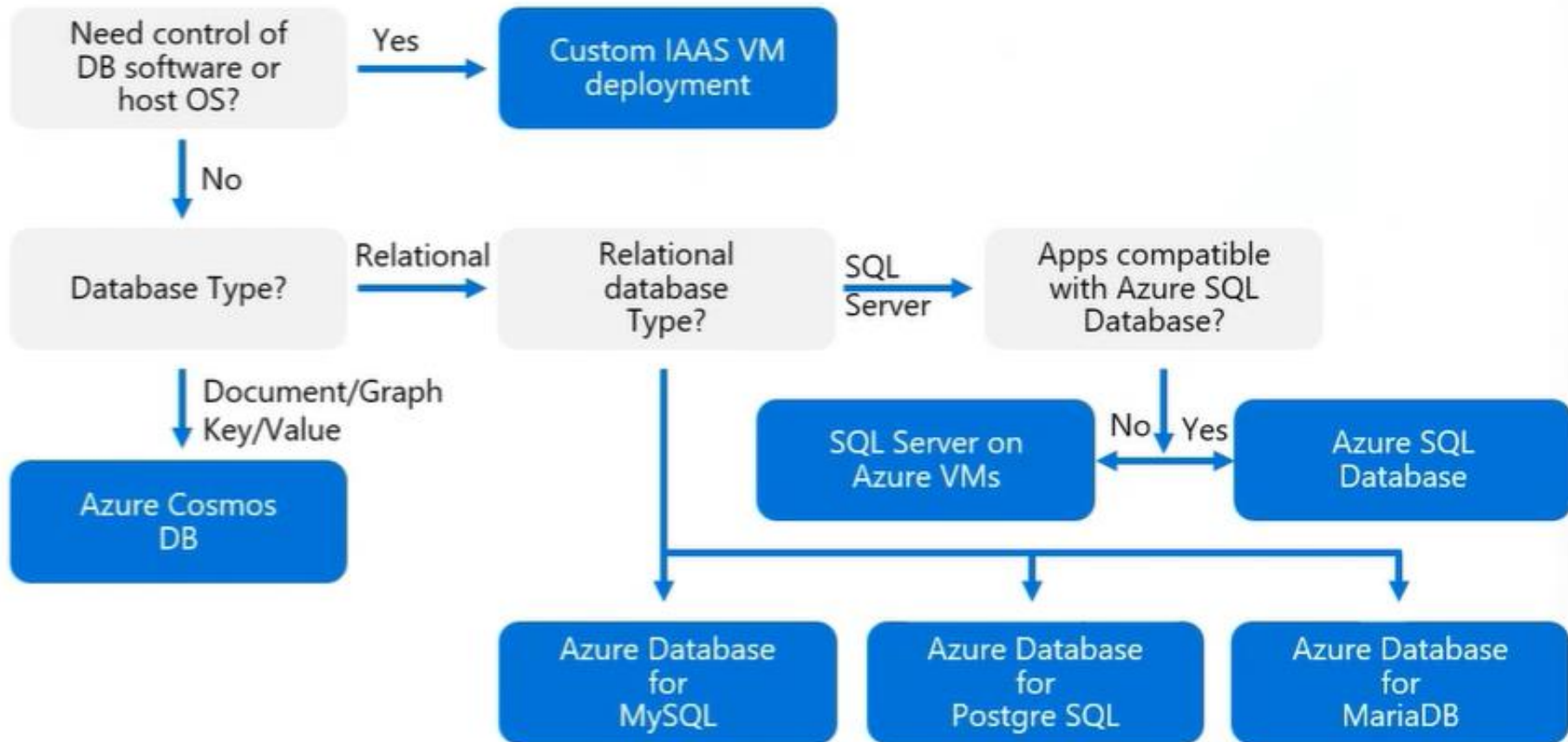


Closer look at storage exam domain objective

To design Azure storage, you first must determine what type of data you have.

 Relational data	<p>Relational or structured data is stored in a relational format and has a shared schema.</p> <p>It is often stored in a database table with rows, columns, and keys.</p> <div data-bbox="1742 348 2053 615"></div>
 Non-relational data	<p>Non-relational data includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Semi-structured data that is less organized than structured data and contains tags that clarify how it is organized.• Unstructured data is the least organized type of data and is stored in a non-relational format. <div data-bbox="805 793 1202 1146"></div> <div data-bbox="1694 798 2091 1150"></div>

Choose from the relational data products



Exam domain objective Group 3

AZ-305 exam – Skills Measured 3

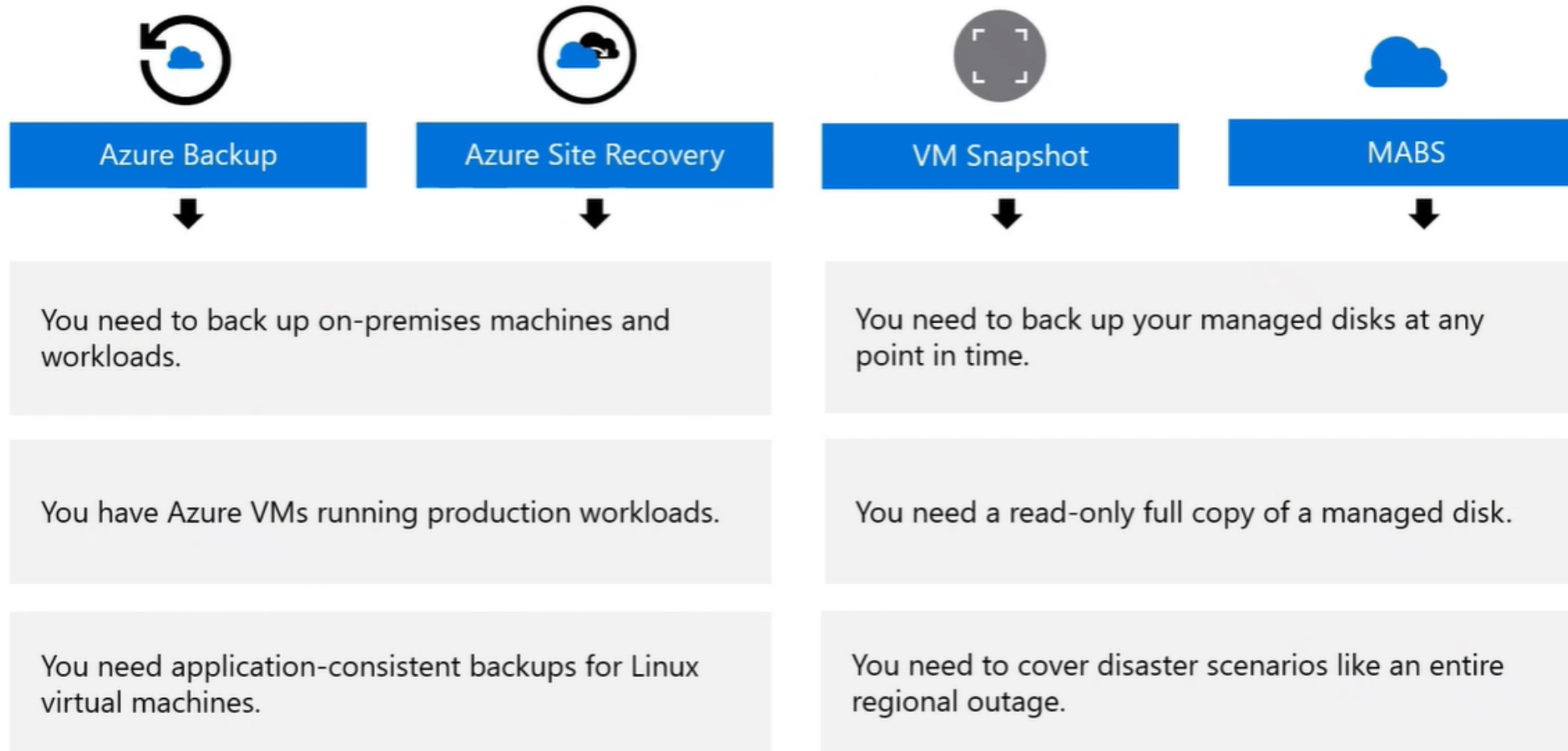
Design Business Continuity Solutions

3.1 Design a solution for backup and disaster recovery

3.2 Design for high availability



Closer look at disaster recovery methods



Exam domain objective Group 4

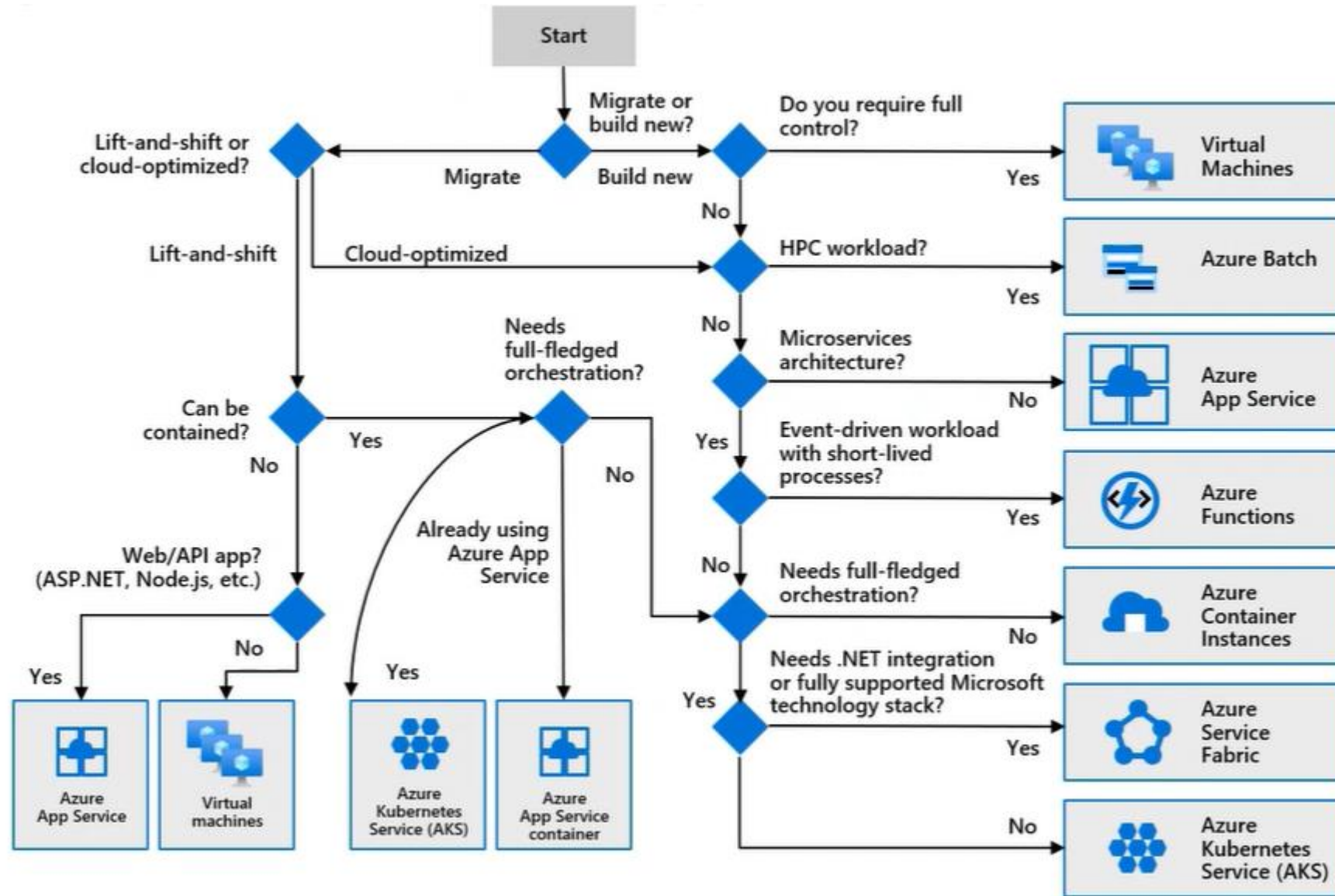
AZ-305 exam – Skills Measured 4

Design infrastructure solutions

- 4.1 Design a compute solution
- 4.2 Design an application architecture
- 4.3 Design migrations
- 4.4 Design network solutions



Closer look at choosing compute services



Learning resources for AZ-305 exam

- [Microsoft Learn modules](#)
- [Cloud Marathoner – Study Guide](#)
- [Thomas Maurer – Study Guide](#)
- [Official practice tests](#)
- [John Savill's Study Cram](#)
- [Labs and exercises](#)
- [Azure Architect center](#)
- [Microsoft Exam emulator](#)
- [Free Practice Assessment](#)



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Design Infrastructure Solutions 🎥



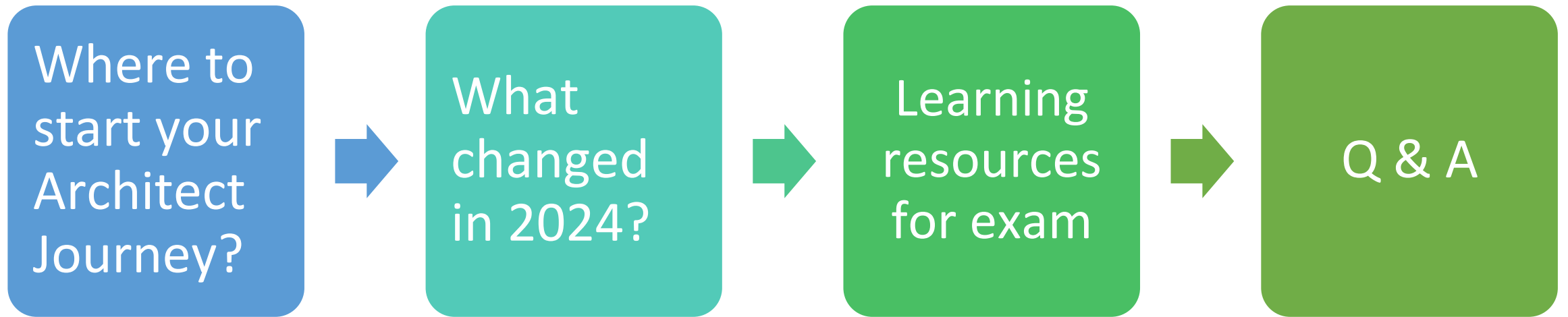
Azure always free resources

- Azure free subscription
- Always free 40+ services





What we covered



What is next?

#CloudMarathoner 's Study Guide



Microsoft Lean AZ-305 modules



AWESOME Azure Architect - GitHub



**LinkedIn AZ-305 Cert Prep:
Design Infrastructure Solutions**



Thank you !



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