

Azure Functions in a Hybrid World

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Agenda

- Understand how Azure Functions differs from other automation capabilities in Azure
- Learn how to leverage Azure Functions for hybrid management

Automation

Deploy and operate infrastructure and services in Azure

Deploy



Deliver repeatable and consistent infrastructure as code for testing, staging, and production.

Respond



Create event-based automation on deployed resources to diagnose and resolve issues.

Orchestrate



Orchestrate your automation across disparate systems in Azure and 3rd party management.



Resource Manager



Automation



Event Grid



Functions



Logic Apps

PowerShell Standard



Windows
PowerShell



PowerShell 7

.NET Framework

.NET Core

Windows

Linux / MacOS / More...

powershell.exe



Windows
PowerShell

pwsh.exe






PowerShell 7



PowerShell 7

Azure Functions vs Azure Automation

- Azure Functions uses PowerShell Core/7
- Azure Automation uses Windows PowerShell
- 5.1 marks the completion of Windows PowerShell

	Windows PowerShell	PowerShell Core/7
Cross-Plat Support	 Windows only	✓ Windows, macOS and Linux
Side-by-side		✓ SxS and portable
Active development	 Servicing only	✓
Servicing	✓ via Windows Update	✓ via Microsoft Update
Remoting support	✓ WinRM	✓ WinRM and SSH
.NET CLR	.NET Framework	.NET Core 2.x/3.x .NET 5.0
Packaging	Ships in Windows & MSU (for down level)	MSI, RPM/DEB repos, Snap, HomeBrew, ZIP

Performance Improvements

Revamped Invoke-RestMethod
and Invoke-WebRequest

Powershell Remoting Over SSH

Temp: PSDrive

New Operators
Pipeline Chain Operators (&&, ||)
Ternary Operator (condition ? true : false)
Null Conditional (??)
Null Coalesce (??=)

Concise Error View and Get-Error

Debug on Exception

Foreach -Parallel

Windows Module Compatibility

Invoke-DSCResource xplat

Revamped Test-Connection

Runs on .NET Core 3.1 LTS



Visual Studio Code - Insiders interface showing a PowerShell script being debugged.

File Explorer: BreakOnError.ps1

Code Editor:

```
C: > Users > Demo > BreakOnError.ps1 > ...  
1 $ErrorActionPreference = 'Break'  
2 . ./ErrorView.ps1
```

Terminal: C:\Users\Demo |

Debug Console: 2: PowerShell Integrated

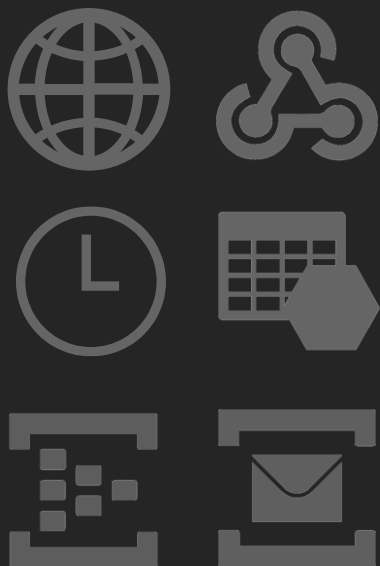
Right Side Panel (Debug Console):

- VARIABLES
- WATCH
- CALL STACK

Status Bar: PowerShell: Current File | Azure: JGrote@allieddigital.net | Ln 2, Col 18 | Spaces: 4 | UTF-8 | CRLF | PowerShell | 7.0 | 2

Azure Functions Programming Model

Events



React to timers, HTTP, or events from your favorite Azure services, with more on the way

Code



Author functions in C#, F#, Node, Java, Python, PowerShell, and more

Outputs

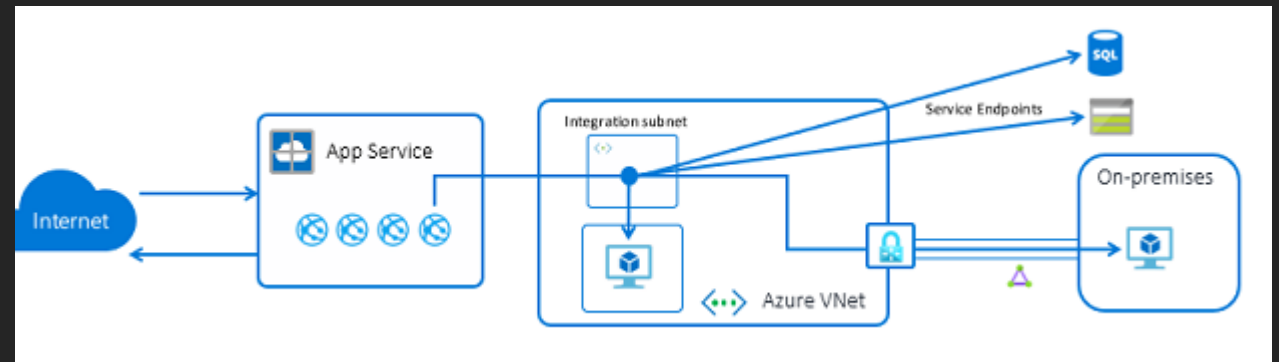
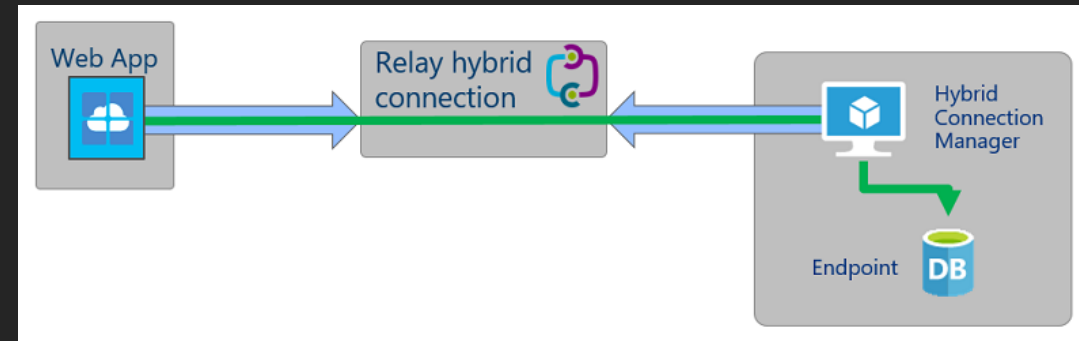


Send results to an ever-growing collection of services



Azure Functions – Hybrid networking

- Two options
 - Hybrid Connections
 - Virtual Network Integration



Bonus tip: Durable Functions

11 lines (11 sloc) | 459 Bytes

```
1  using namespace System.Net
2  param($Context)
3  $Context
4  $output = @()
5  $newResource = Invoke-ActivityFunction -FunctionName 'NewAzResourceGroup' -Input $Context.Input
6  $output += $newResource
7  $newStgAcc = Invoke-ActivityFunction -FunctionName 'NewStgAccount' -Input $($newResource | ConvertTo-Json -Depth 5)
8  $output += $newStgAcc
9  $newBlob = Invoke-ActivityFunction -FunctionName 'NewBlob' -Input $($newStgAcc | ConvertTo-Json -Depth 12)
10 $output += $newBlob
11 $output
```



<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/azure-functions/durable/quickstart-powershell-vscode>



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The team made a promise so important, we called it our sacred vow: Learn PowerShell and we'll do everything we can to make it the best investment you've ever made.

It's 13 years later and I can confidently say that we have kept faith with that VOW.

Summary

- Azure Functions uses PowerShell Core/7
- Azure Automation uses Windows PowerShell
- Options for Hybrid Management in Azure Functions
 - VNet integration (requires Premium Plan)
 - Hybrid Connections (requires agent)



```
pwsh

PS Git:\ 12ms> Get-ContactInfo

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NEXT: Open Discussion, Q&A

Thank you!



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