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**IN AZURE
COSMOS DB**



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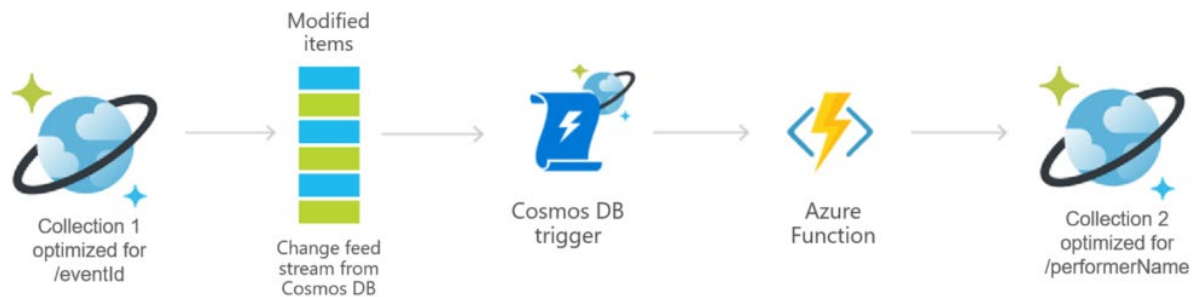
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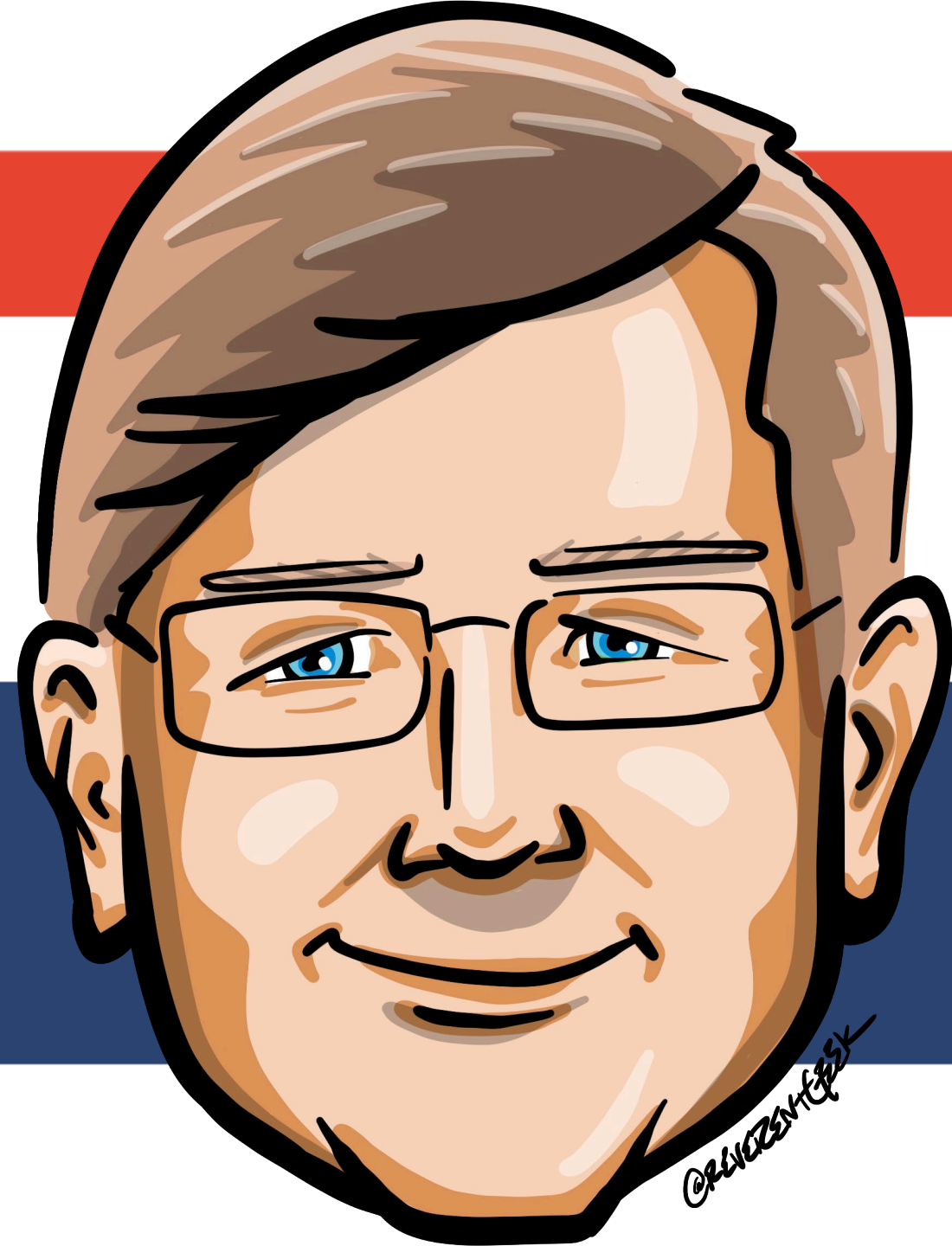
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What is Cosmos DB

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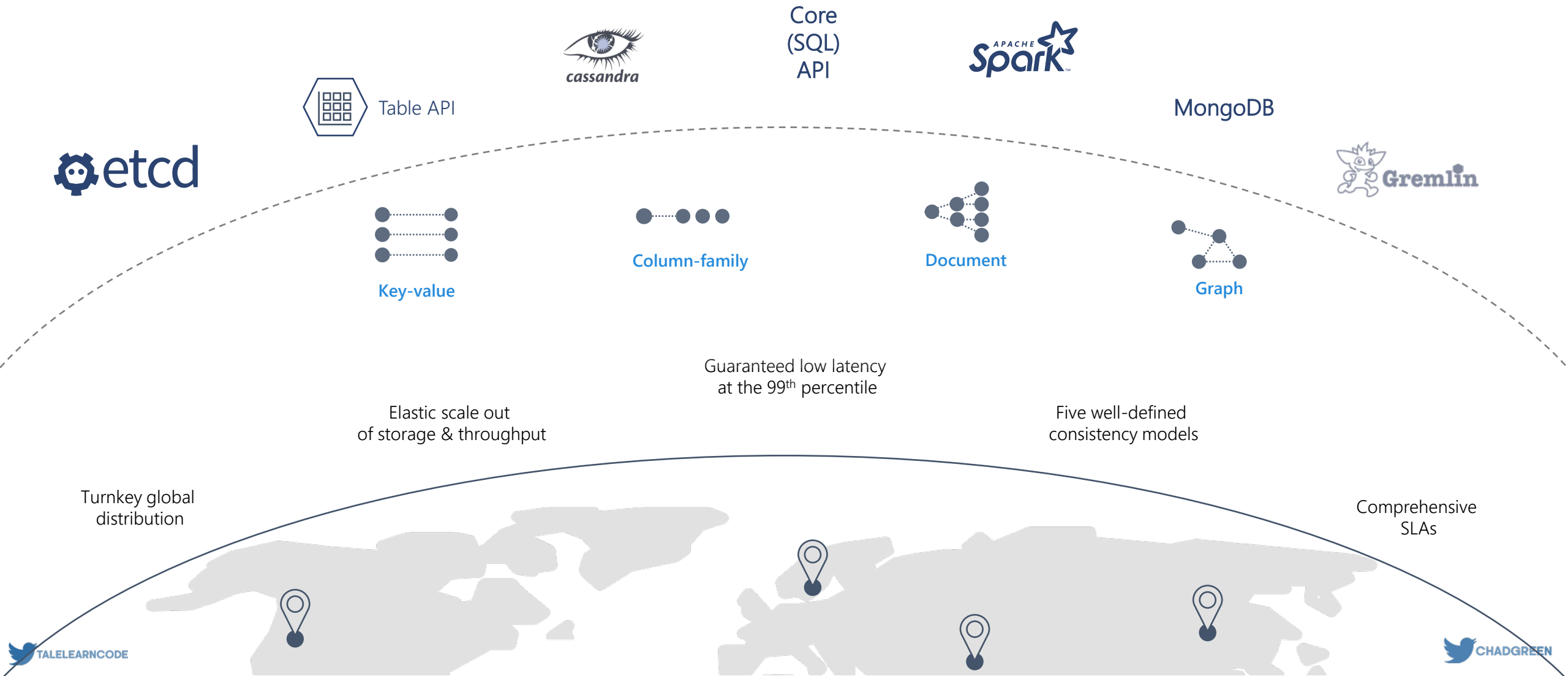
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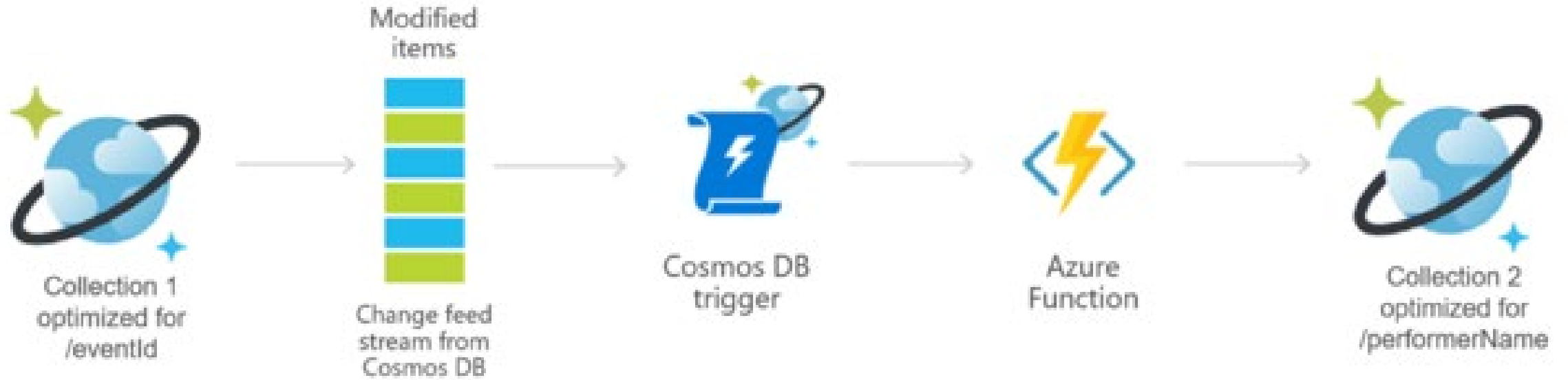
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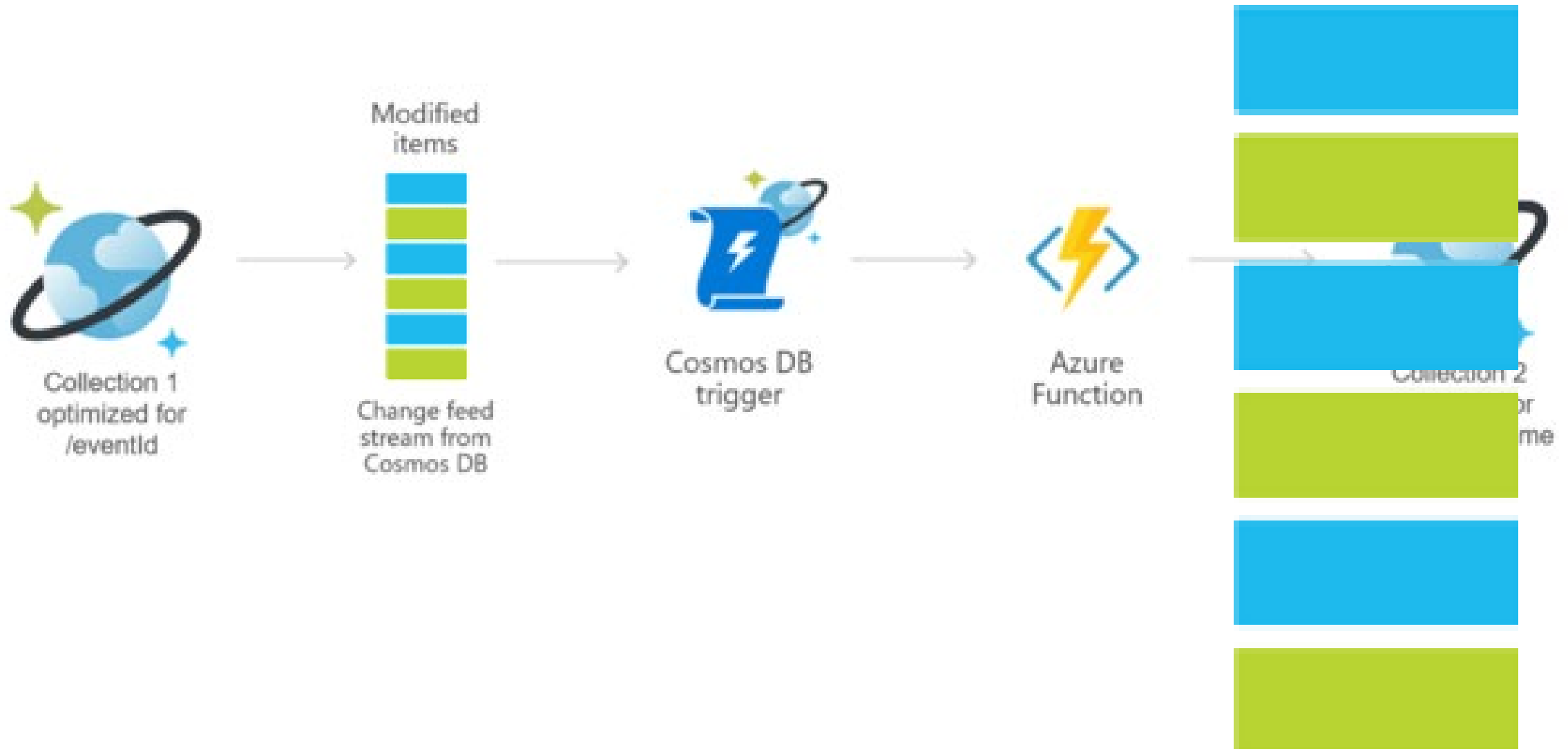
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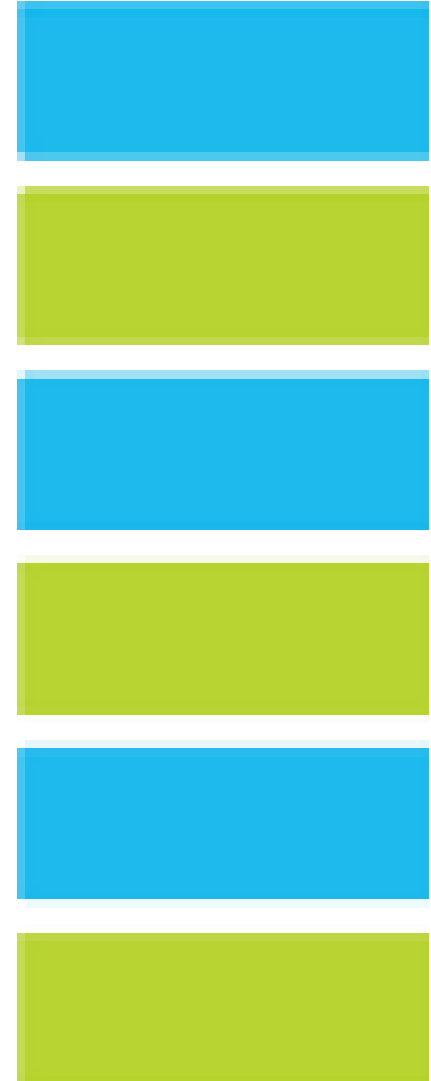


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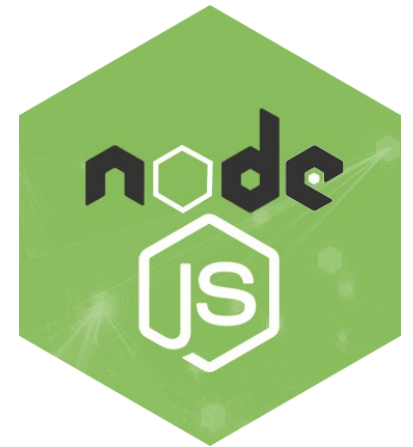
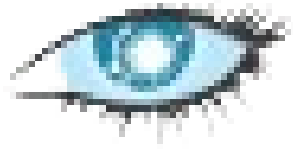
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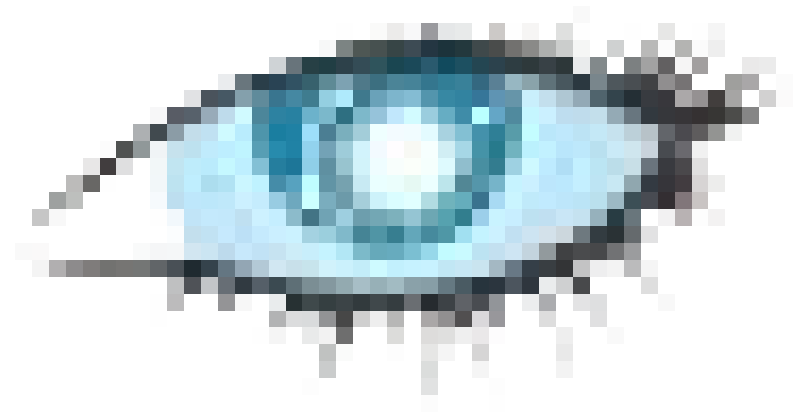
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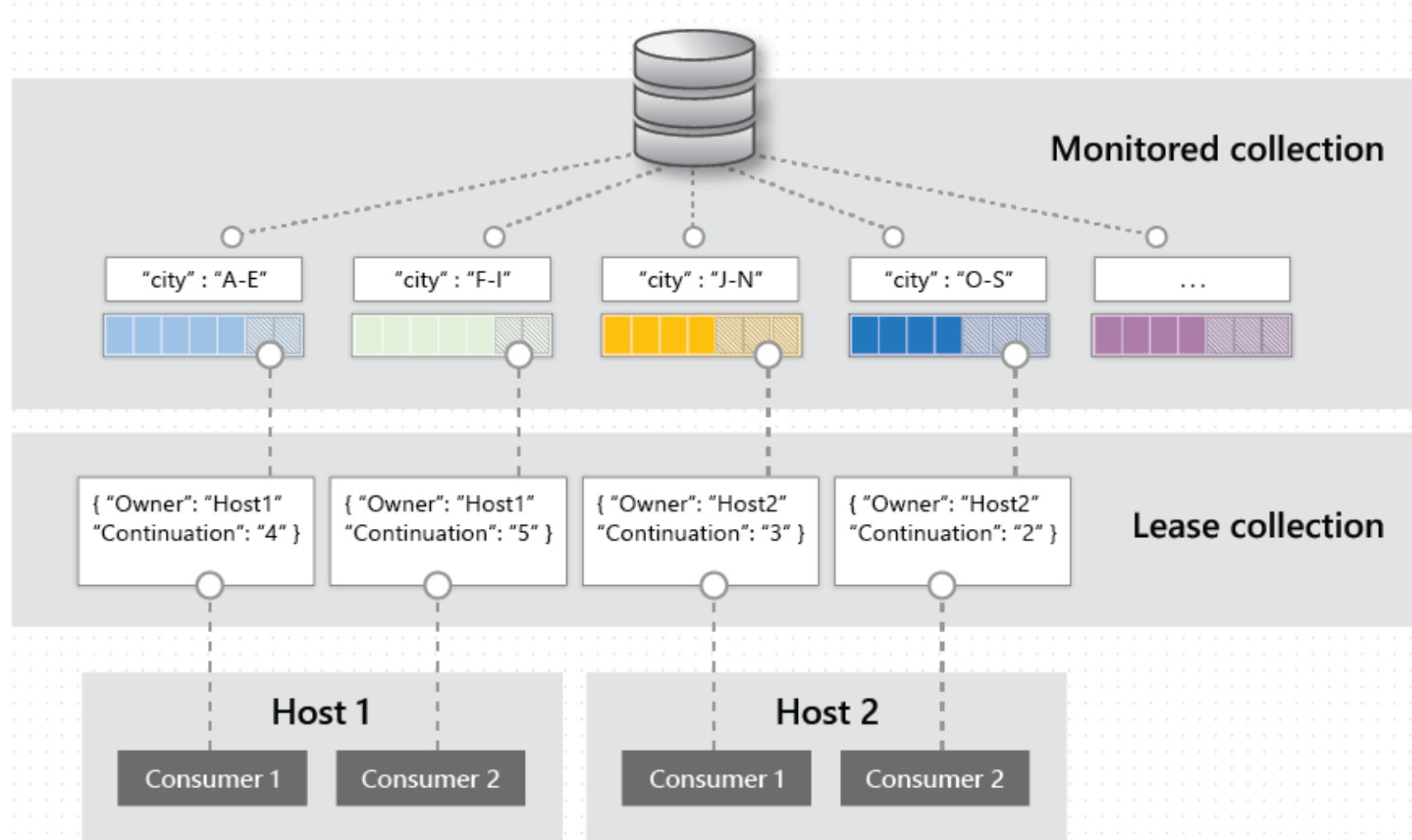
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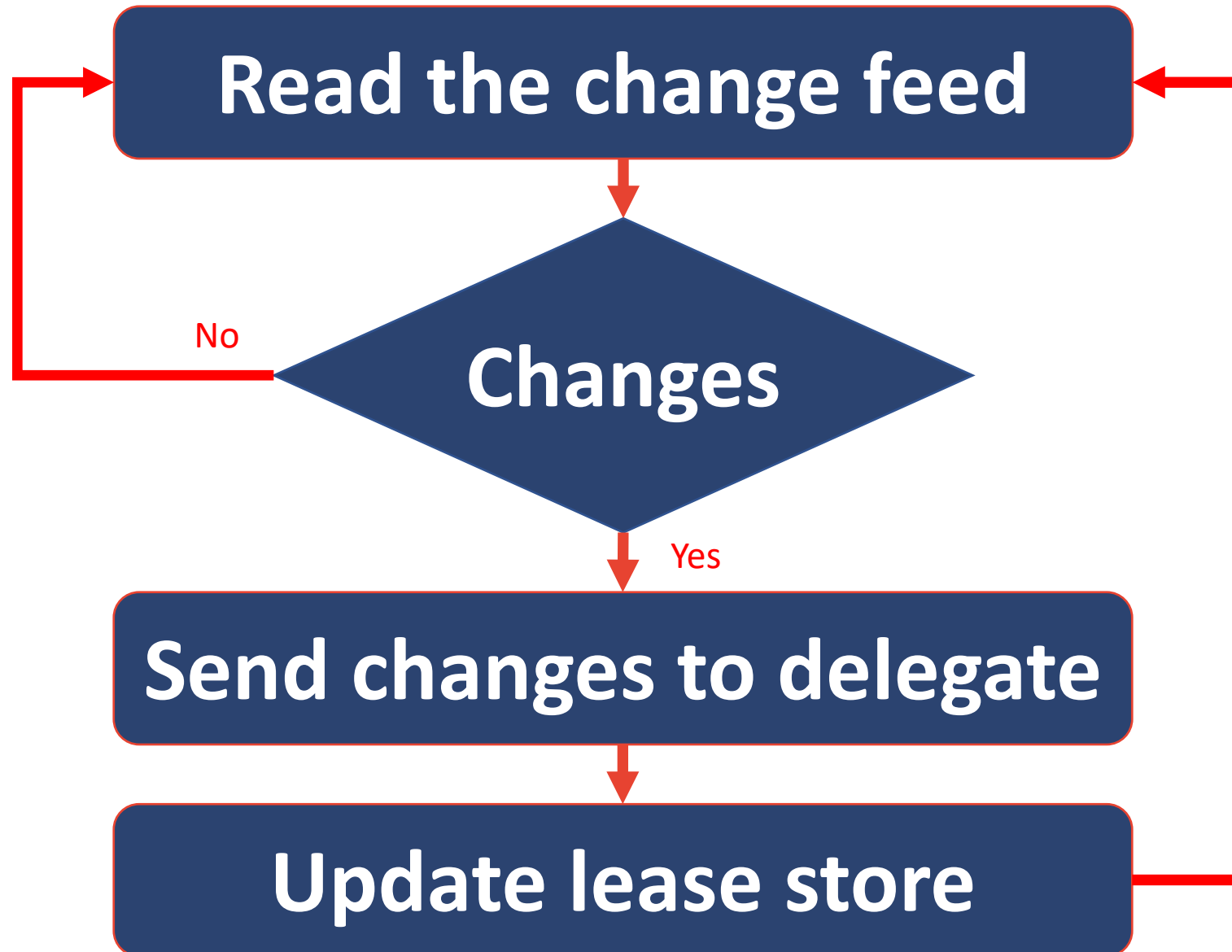
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Hosting the Change Feed Processor

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Azure WebJob

**Azure Virtual
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**Azure Kubernetes
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**ASP.NET Hosted
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Serverless Event-Based Architectures

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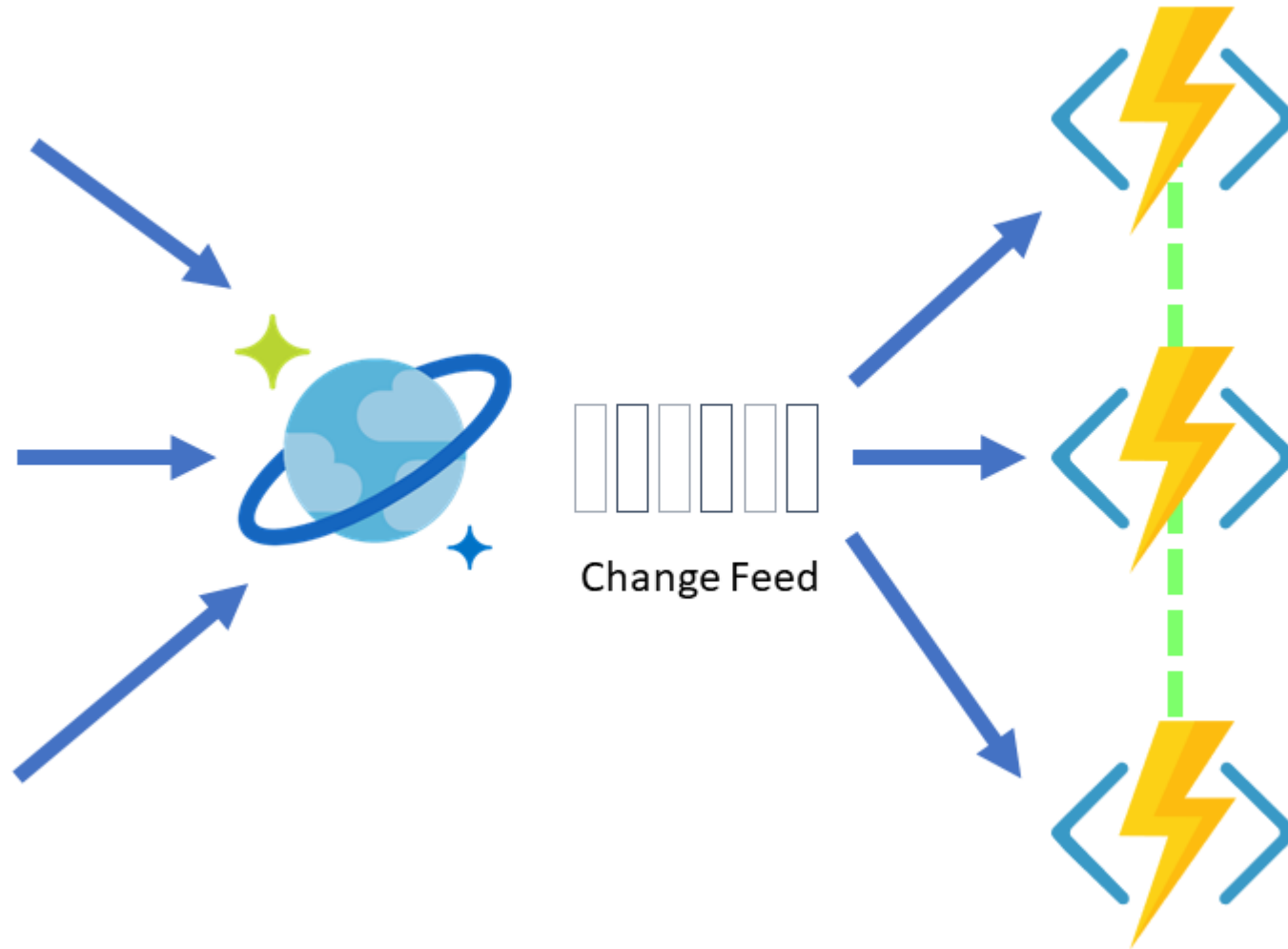
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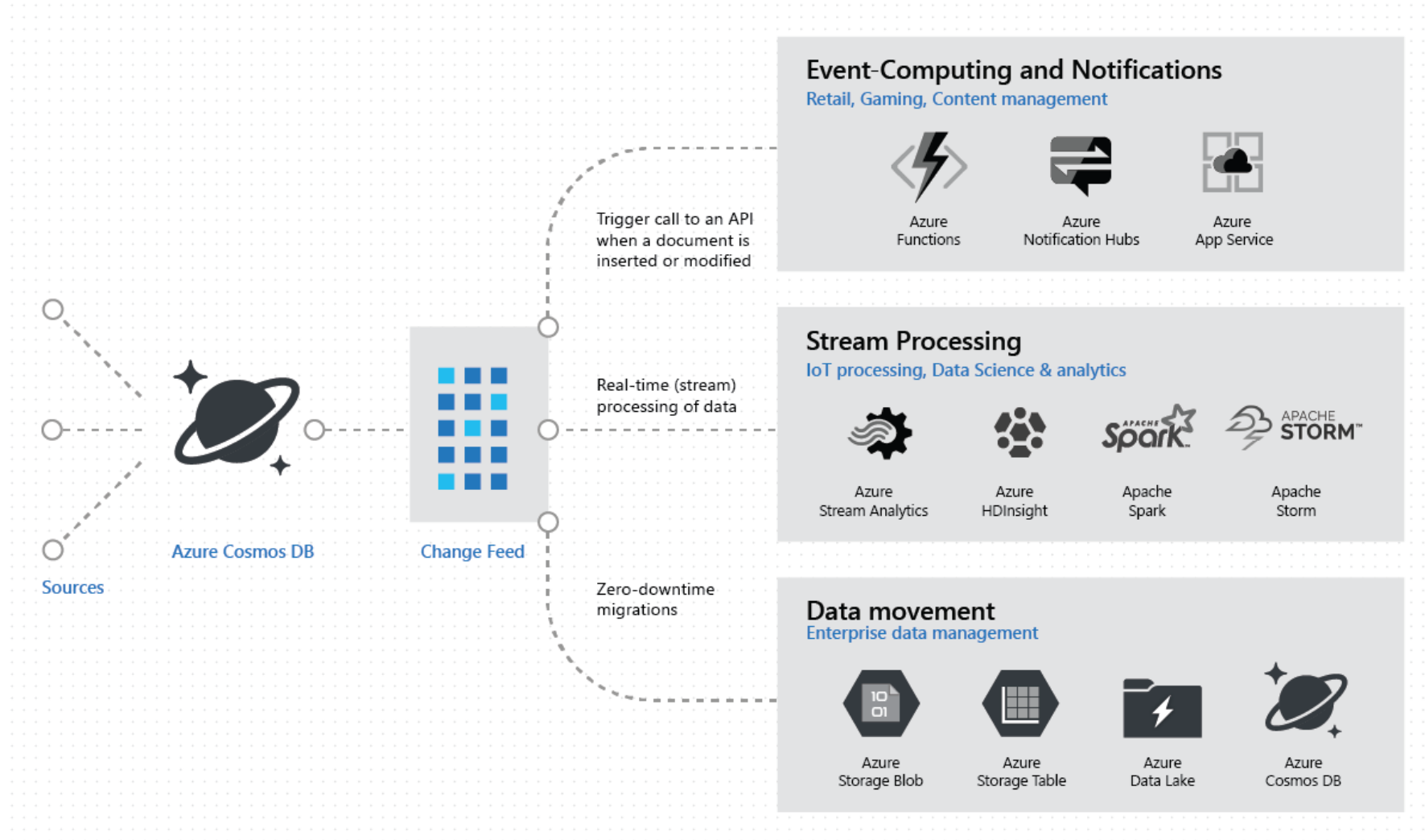
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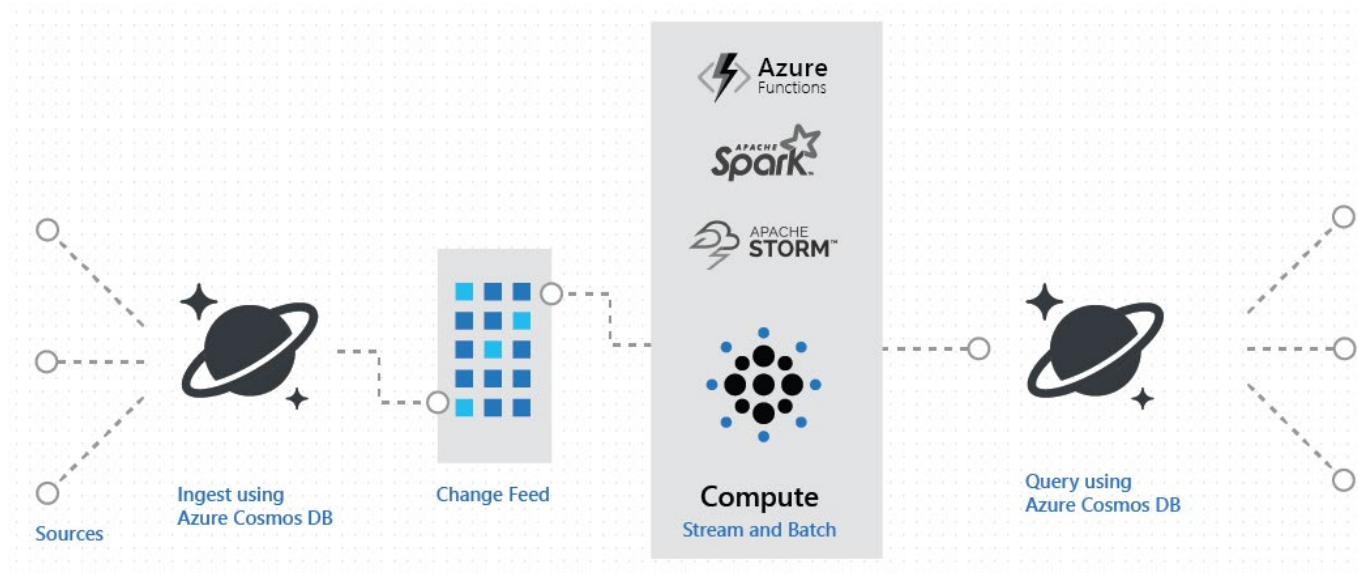
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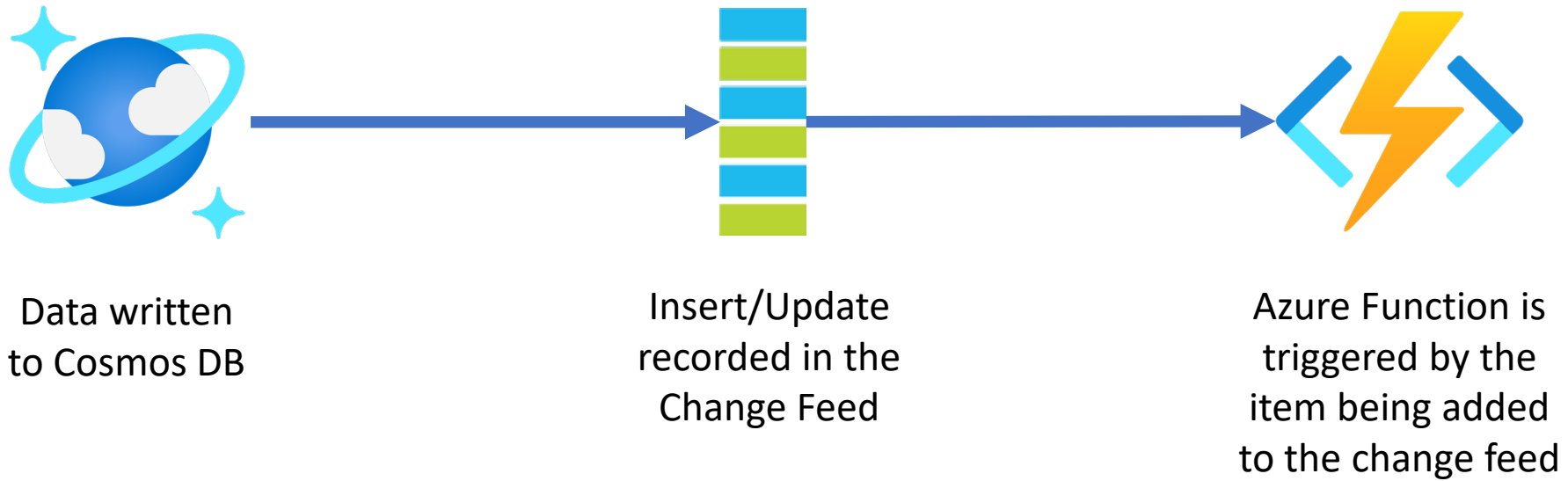
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Basic Change Feed Demo

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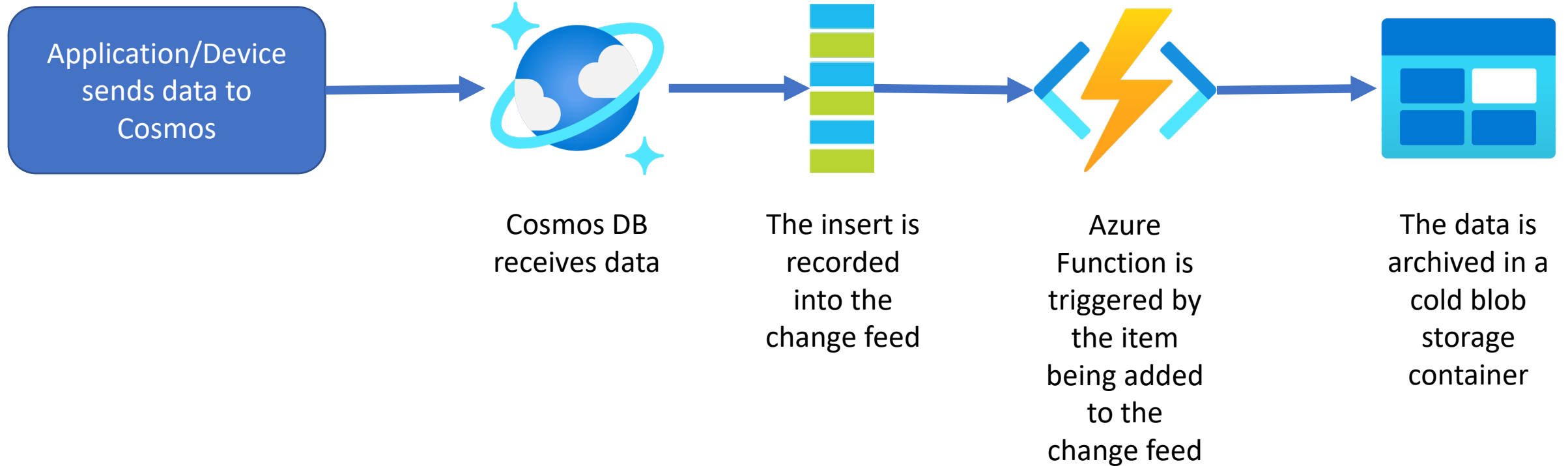


Scenario

- Practice test application
- Data is useful for active queries within 30 days (2,592,000 seconds)
- Need to keep archive for historical, compliance reasons
- Demo will process 428k records over 24-hour period
- Real data that has been autonomized

Data Archival

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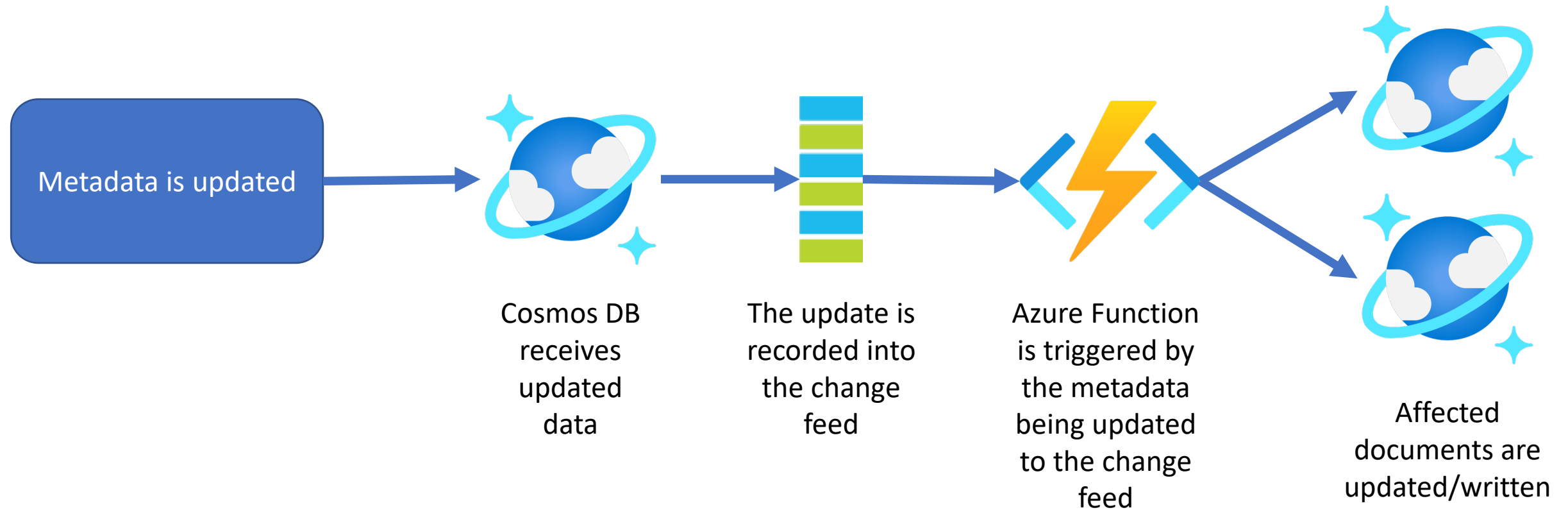


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- Shindig Manager
- Manages presentations for different shindigs (events)
- Metadata maintained in its own container
- Need way to update denormalized data in shindig (event) partitions

Denormalization

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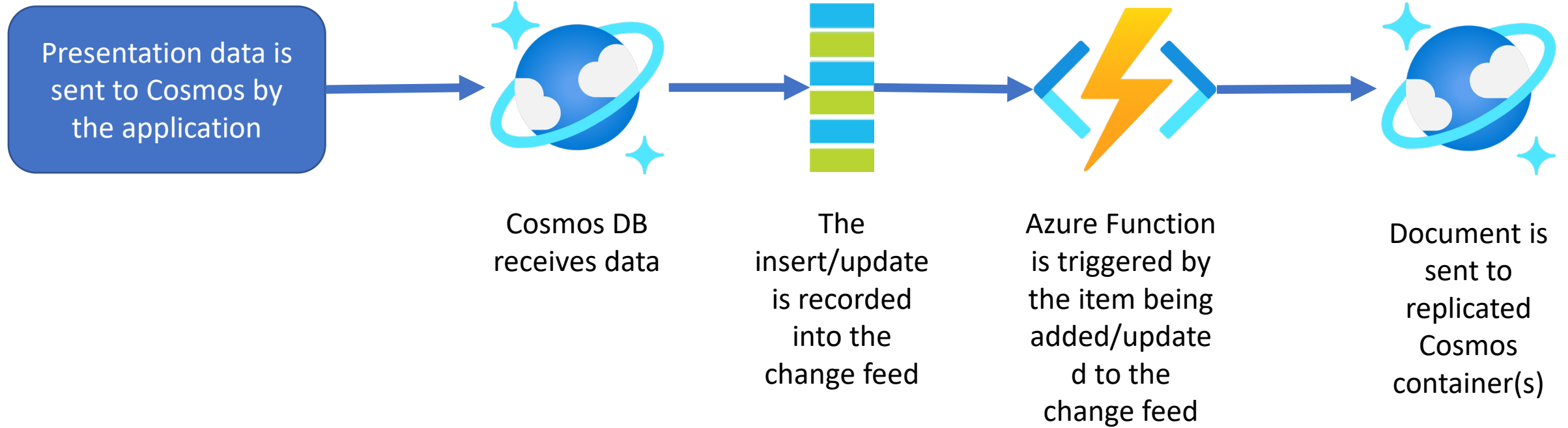


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Replicating Containers

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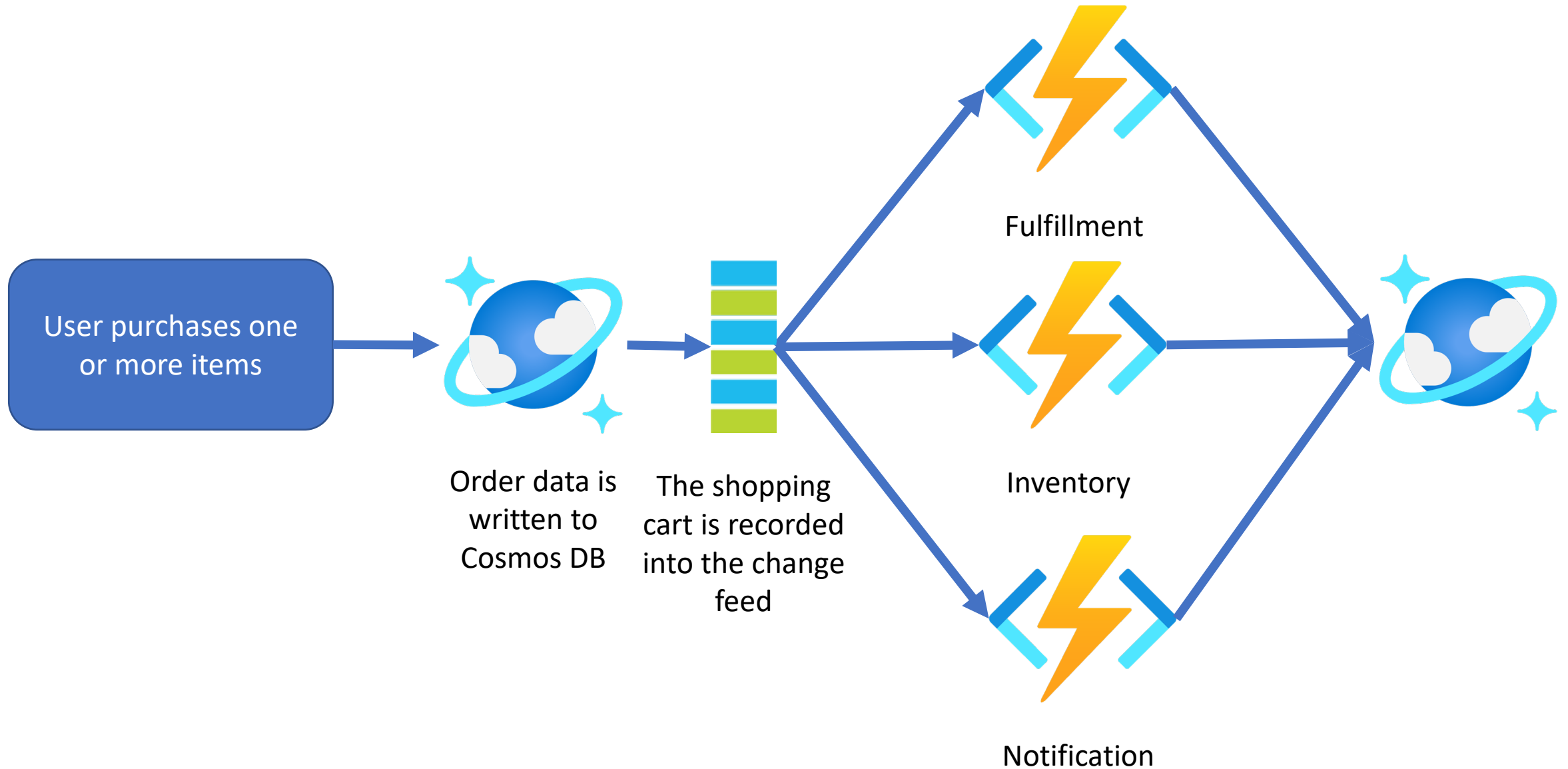


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- Shopping cart implementation – Lego store
- Implementing an event-driven architecture to allow for asynchronous processing of an order
- Note: functions are only simulating doing actions

Triggering Event-Driven Architecture

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