



# Implementing an Azure Data Solution Crash Course

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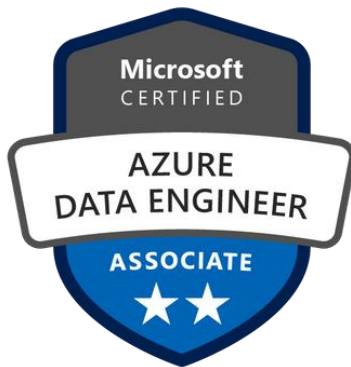
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# Questions & Resources

- Post questions in the QnA box
- Resources are in the course repository
  - <https://github.com/zaalion/oreilly-dp-200-201>
- Reach out:
  - Twitter: [@zaalion](https://twitter.com/zaalion)



# Course Overview

# DP-200 Candidate Profile

- Microsoft Azure data engineers who
  - Collaborate with business stakeholders to identify and meet the data requirements
  - To implement data solutions that use Azure data services.



# Azure Data Engineers

- Responsible for data-related implementation tasks
  - Include provisioning data storage services
  - Ingesting streaming and batch data, transforming data.
  - Implementing security requirements
  - Implementing data retention policies
  - Identifying performance bottlenecks, and
  - Accessing external data sources.



# DP-200 Candidates

- Must be able to implement data solutions that use
  - Azure Cosmos DB, Azure SQL Database, Azure Synapse Analytics (formerly Azure SQL DW)
  - Azure Data Lake Storage
  - Azure Data Factory, Azure Stream Analytics, Azure Databricks, and Azure Blob storage.



# DP-200 Skills Measured

- Skills measured:
  - Implement data storage solutions (40-45%)
  - Manage and develop data processing (25-30%)
  - Monitor and optimize data solutions (30-35%)





# DP-200 Skills Measured

Exam DP-200: Implementing an Azure Data Solution skills



# Implement Data Storage Solutions

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# Implement Data Storage Solutions

- Implement non-relational data stores
- Implement relational data stores
- Manage data security





# Implement Non-relational Data Stores

- Implement a solution that uses Cosmos DB, Data Lake Storage Gen2, or Blob storage
- Implement data distribution and partitions
- Implement a consistency model in Cosmos DB
- Provision a non-relational data store
- Provide access to data to meet security requirements
- Implement for high availability, disaster recovery, and global distribution





# Plan for Secure Endpoints

- Secure endpoints:
  - Azure Cosmos DB
  - Azure Storage Account
  - Azure Synapse Analytics
  - Azure Data Factory
  - Azure Databricks



# Cosmos DB Consistency Levels



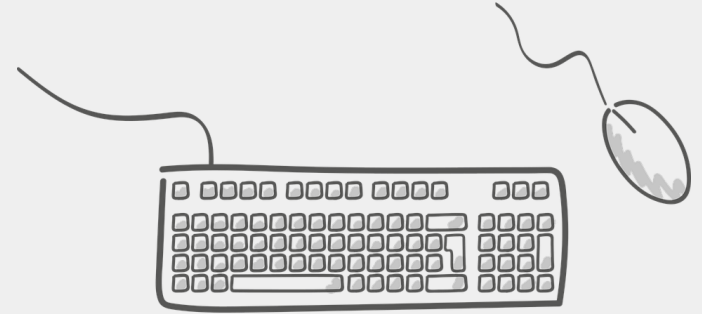
<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/cosmos-db/consistency-levels>



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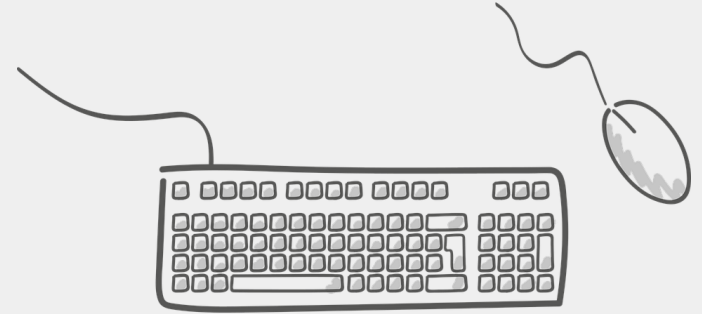
- Azure Cosmos DB
  - Provisioning
  - Data explorer
  - Throughput
  - Security
  - Disaster recovery
  - Consistency levels



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# Demo

- Azure Blob Storage
  - Provisioning
  - Data explorer
  - Security
  - Tiers

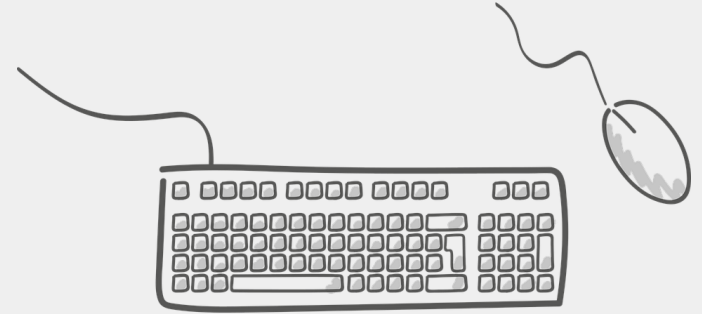




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# Demo

- Azure Data Lake Gen 2



# Implement relational data stores

- Provide access to data to meet security requirements
- Implement for high availability and disaster recovery
- Implement data distribution and partitions for Azure Synapse Analytics
- Implement PolyBase





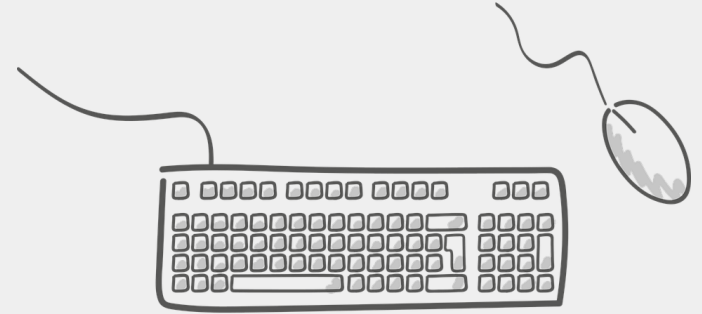
# Plan for Secure Endpoints

- Azure Synapse access:
  - Firewall
  - Azure Active Directory
  - SQL authentication



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# Demo



- Azure Synapse Analytics
  - Provisioning and access
  - Querying/Analytics



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# Manage Data Security

- Implement data masking
- Encrypt data at rest and in motion





# Plan for Secure Endpoints

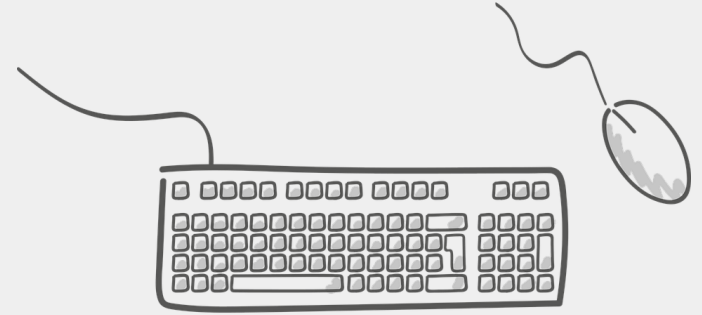
- Azure Synapse security options
  - Dynamic data masking
  - Row level security
  - Transparent Data Encryption
  - Always Encrypted



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# Demo

- Azure Synapse Analytics
  - Securing data



# **Manage and Develop Data Processing**



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# Manage and Develop Data Processing

- **Develop batch processing solutions**
- **Develop streaming solutions**



# Develop Batch Processing Solutions

- Develop batch processing solutions by using Data Factory and Azure Databricks
- Ingest data by using PolyBase
- Implement the integration runtime for Data Factory
- Create linked services and datasets
- Create pipelines and activities
- Create and schedule triggers
- Implement Azure Databricks clusters, notebooks, jobs, and autoscaling
- Ingest data into Azure Databricks



# Azure Data Factory

## Code-Free ETL as a Service

### INGEST



- Multi-cloud and on-prem hybrid copy data
- 90+ native connectors
- Serverless and auto-scale
- Use wizard for quick copy jobs

### CONTROL FLOW



- Design code-free data pipelines
- Generate pipelines via SDK
- Utilize workflow constructs: loops, branches, conditional execution, variables, parameters, ...

### DATA FLOW



- Code-free data transformations that execute in Spark
- Scale-out with Azure Integration Runtimes
- Generate data flows via SDK
- Designers for data engineers and data analysts

### SCHEDULE



- Build and maintain operational schedules for your data pipelines
- Wall clock, event-based, tumbling windows, chained

### MONITOR



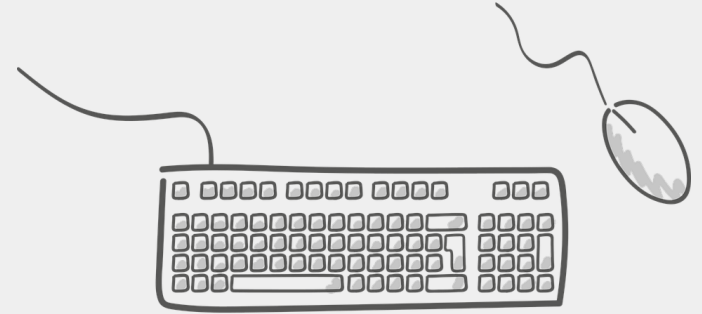
- View active executions and pipeline history
- Detail activity and data flow executions
- Establish alerts and notifications

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/data-factory/introduction>



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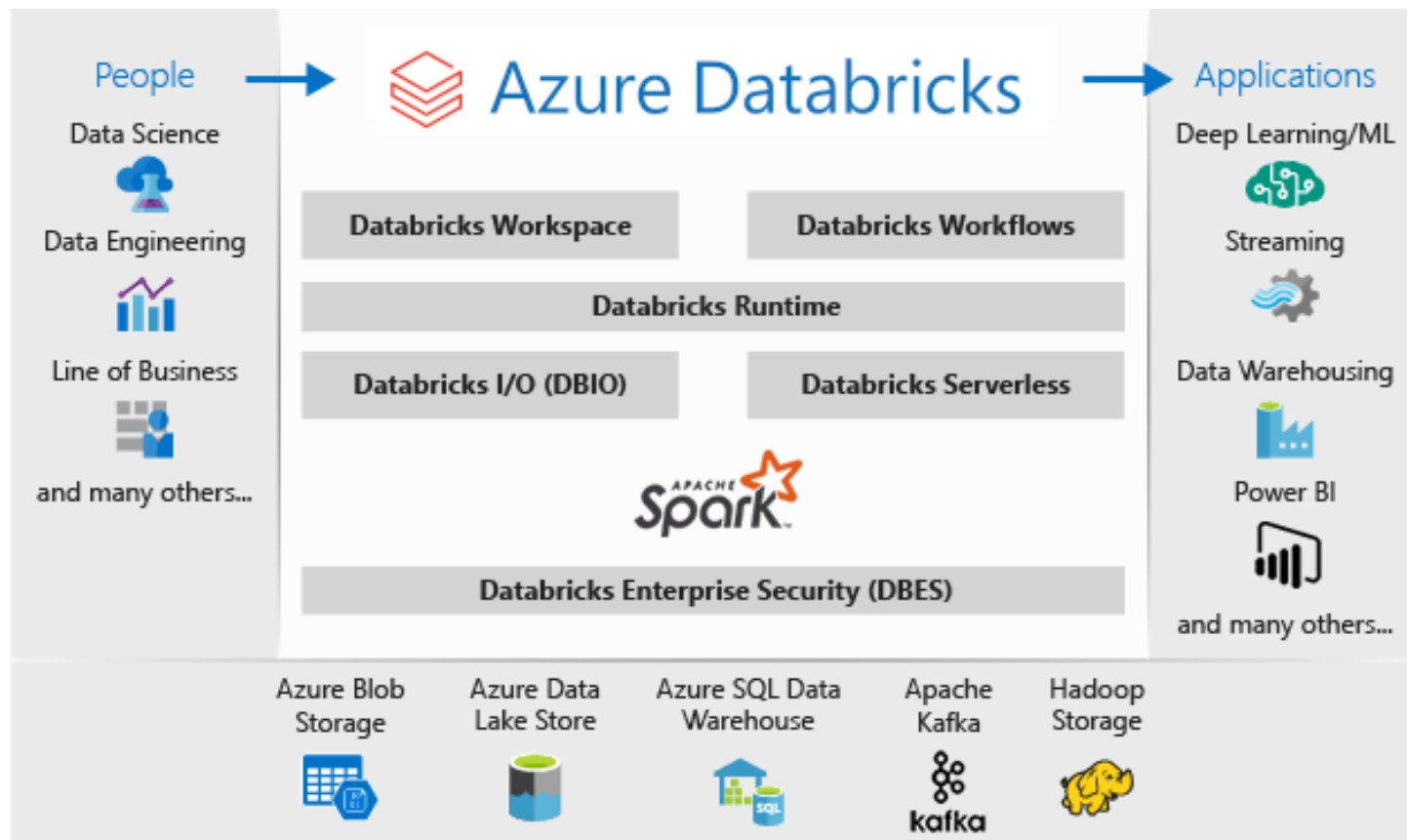
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- Azure Data Factory
  - Pipelines
  - Linked services
  - Datasets
  - Schedules
  - Run history



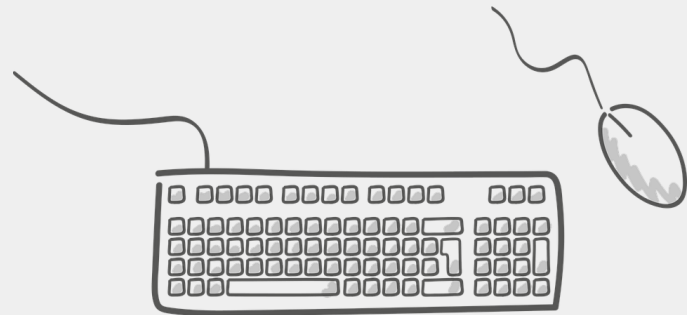
# Azure Databricks



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# Demo

- Azure Databricks
  - Clusters
  - Notebooks
  - Jobs



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# Develop Streaming Solutions

- Configure input and output
- Select the appropriate built-in functions
- Implement event processing by using Stream Analytics



# Azure Stream Analytics

## Ingest

-  IoT Devices
-  Logs, Files
-  Customer data, Financial transactions
-  Weather data
-  Business Apps



Event Hubs



Azure blob storage



IoT Hub

## Analyze

Continuous Intelligence/Real-time analytics



Stream Analytics



Reference Data  
SQL DB, Blob store



Real-time scoring  
Azure ML service

## Deliver



Alerts and actions  
Event Hubs, Service Bus,  
Azure Functions etc



Dynamic Dashboarding  
Power BI



Data Warehousing  
Azure Synapse  
Analytics

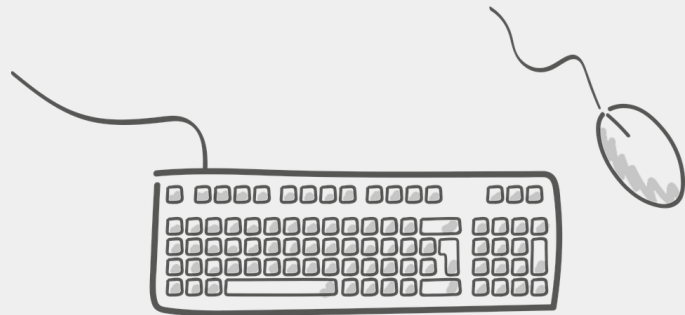


Storage/ Archival  
SQL DB, Azure Data Lake Gen 1 &  
Gen 2, Cosmos DB, Blob storage, etc



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# Demo



- Azure Stream Analytics
  - Inputs
  - Outputs
  - Functions
  - Windows
  - Jobs



# Monitor and Optimize Data Solutions

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# Monitor and Optimize Data Solutions

- Monitor data storage
- Monitor data processing
- Optimize of Azure data solutions



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# Monitor data storage

- Monitor relational and non-relational data stores
- Implement Blob storage monitoring
- Implement Data Lake Storage Gen2 monitoring
- Implement Azure Synapse Analytics monitoring
- Implement Cosmos DB monitoring





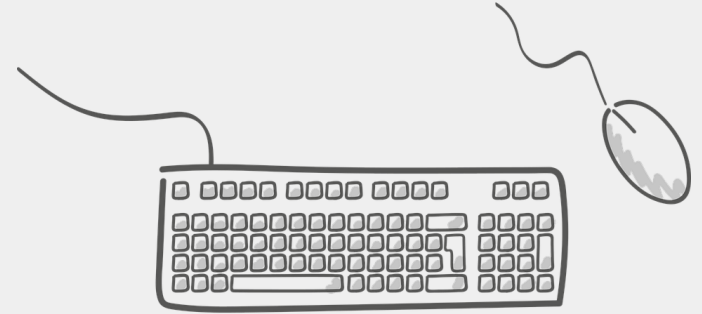
# Monitor data processing

- Monitor Data Factory pipelines
- Monitor Azure Databricks
- Monitor Stream Analytics
- Configure Azure Monitor alerts
- Implement auditing by using Azure Log Analytics



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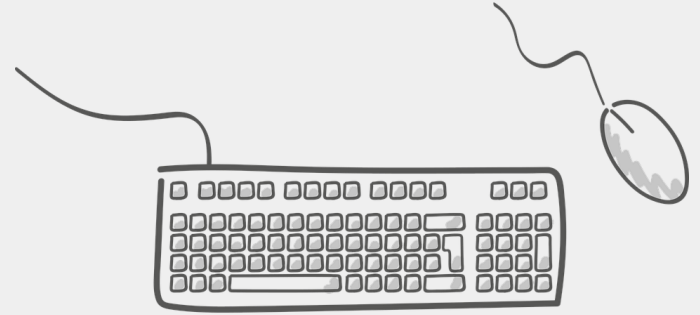
- Configure Monitoring
  - Azure Storage
  - Azure Data Lake Gen 2
  - Azure Cosmos DB
  - Azure Synapse Analytics
  - Azure Stream Analytics



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# Demo

- Configure Monitoring
  - Alerts



# Optimize of Azure Data Solutions

- Troubleshoot data partitioning bottlenecks
- Optimize Data Lake Storage Gen2
- Optimize Stream Analytics
- Optimize Azure Synapse Analytics
- Manage the data lifecycle





# The Exam

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# Questions in DP-200

- Multiple choice
- Drag and drop
- Scenario based
- No hands-on labs (as of December 10, 2020)



# DP-200

- Exam DP-200 : <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/learn/certifications/exams/dp-200>
- Skills measured :  
<https://query.prod.cms.rt.microsoft.com/cms/api/am/binary/RE3Vzx2>



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### Exam DP-200: Implementing an Azure Data Solution

United States

**Languages:** English, Japanese, Chinese (Simplified), Korean

**Retirement date:** none

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