

# Microsoft Azure Developer: Instrument Solutions for Monitoring and Logging

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## INTRODUCTION TO AZURE MONITOR AND APPLICATION INSIGHTS



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# Course Overview



Understand Azure Monitor structure and Application Insights capabilities

Configure instrumentation with Application Insights in the ASP .NET Core apps

Implement Application Insights Web Test and Alerts

Implement code that handles transient faults

Summary



# Module Overview



Understand Azure Monitor structure

Understand Azure Application Insights capabilities

Configure Azure Application Insights in the Azure Portal

Configure instrumentation in the ASP .NET Core apps

Analyze log data and troubleshoot solutions

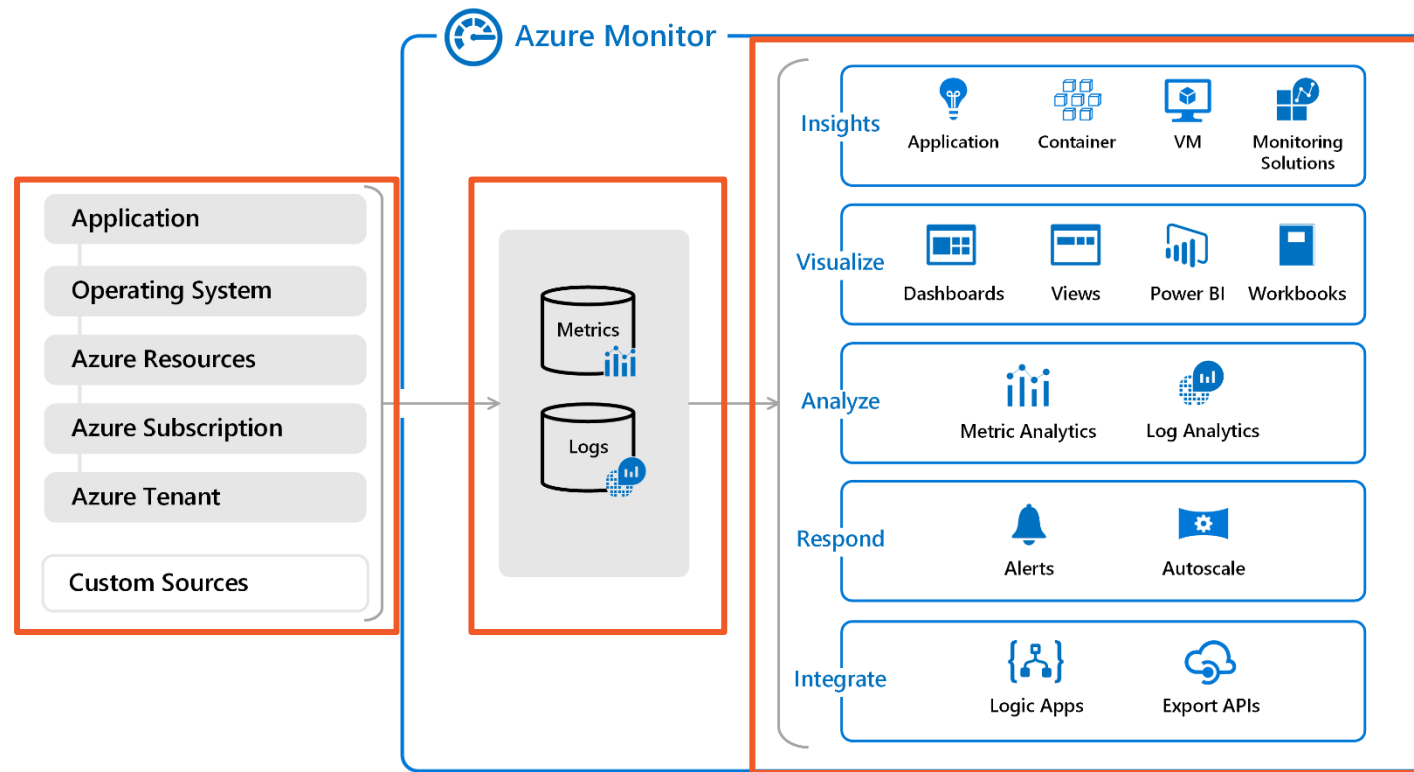


# Azure Monitor Structure

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# Metrics

Metrics are numerical values that describe some aspect of a system at a particular time.

Example of metrics can be CPU or memory usage value.



# Logs

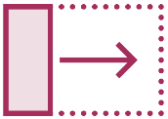
Logs are events that occurred within the system.

They can contain different kinds of data and may be structured or free form text with a timestamp.

Example of the logs can be information about exception thrown during application execution.



# Azure Monitor capabilities



Correlate infrastructure issues



Detect and diagnose issues across applications and dependencies



Support operations with smart alerts and automated actions

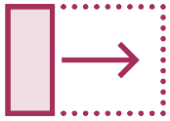


Create visualizations with Azure dashboards and workbooks





# What Data Does Azure Monitor Collect?



Data about the performance and functionality of the application's source code



Data about the operating system on which your application is running



Data about the operation of an Azure resources



Data about the operation of tenant-level Azure services, such as Azure Active Directory



Azure Monitor can collect log data from any REST client what allows to create custom monitoring scenarios, including on-premises solutions



# Monitoring Application Performance with Azure Application Insights

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# Azure Application Insights

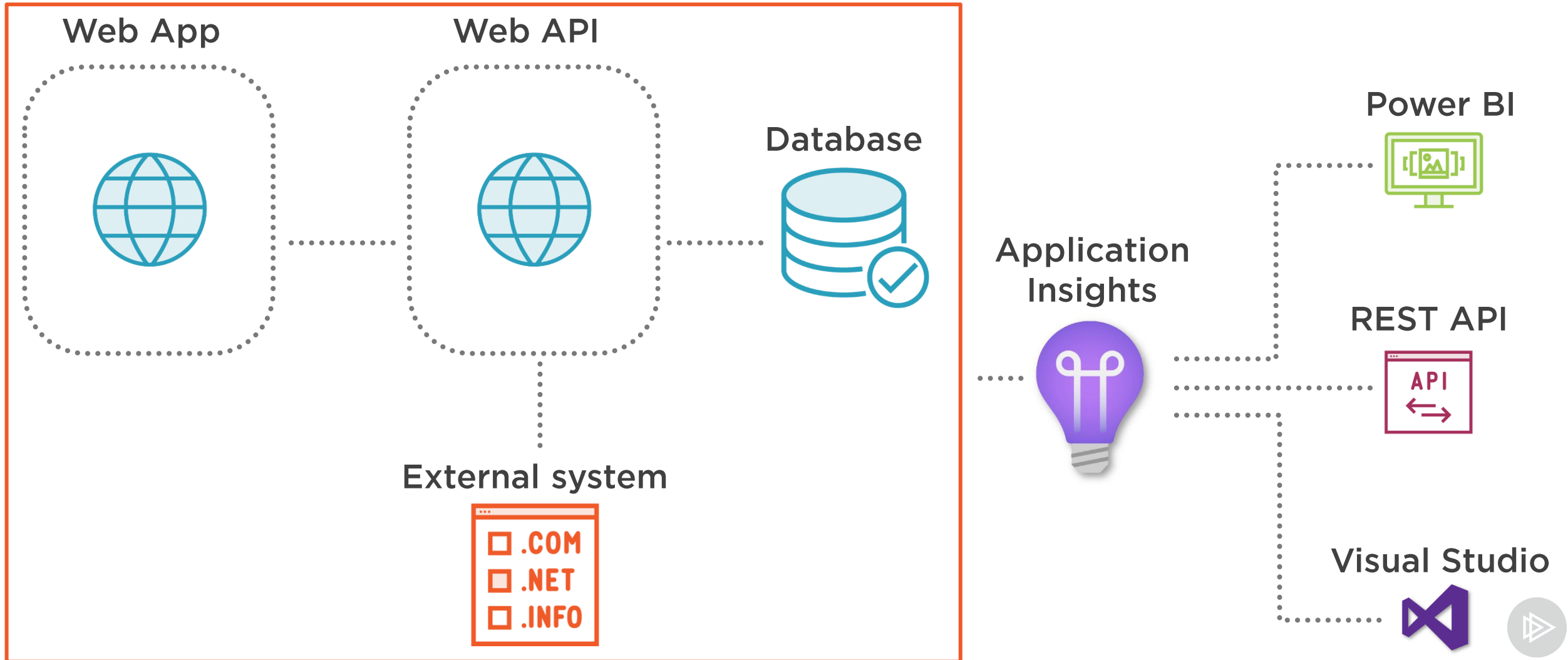


**Application Insights is an extensible Application Performance Management (APM) service for developers and DevOps professionals**

**It is a part of the Azure Monitor**



# Azure Application Insights



# Application Insights Capabilities



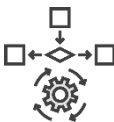
Check performance of server machines like CPU or memory usage



Detect thrown exceptions in the application's source code



Add custom events and metrics in the client or server code, to track business events



Collect request rates, response times, and failure rates



Collect page views and load performance - reported by the user's browser



# Application Insights SDKs

ASP.NET

ASP.NET Core

Java EE

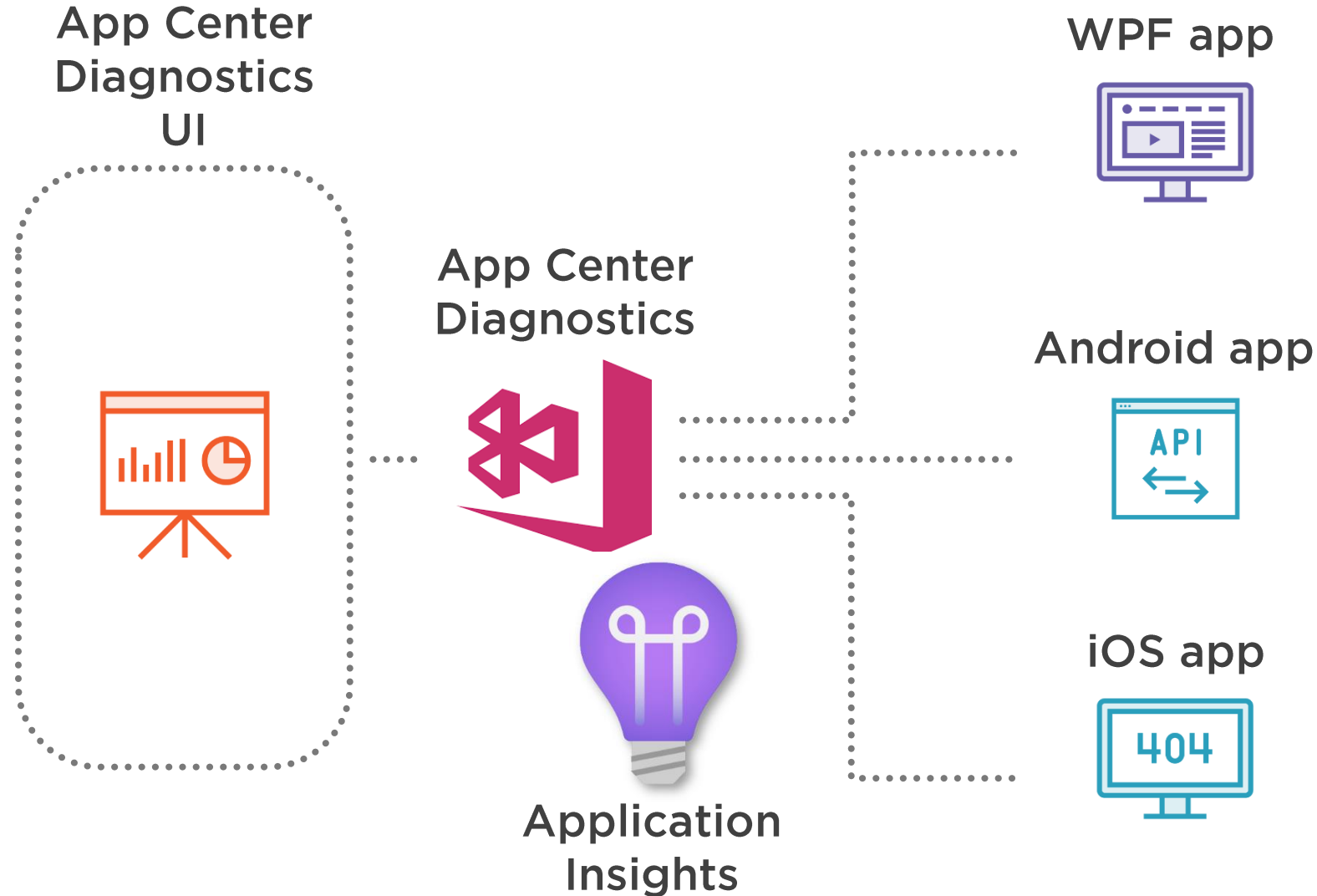
Node.JS

React

Python



# Mobile and Desktop Apps Support





How can I see collected  
telemetry from my  
applications?

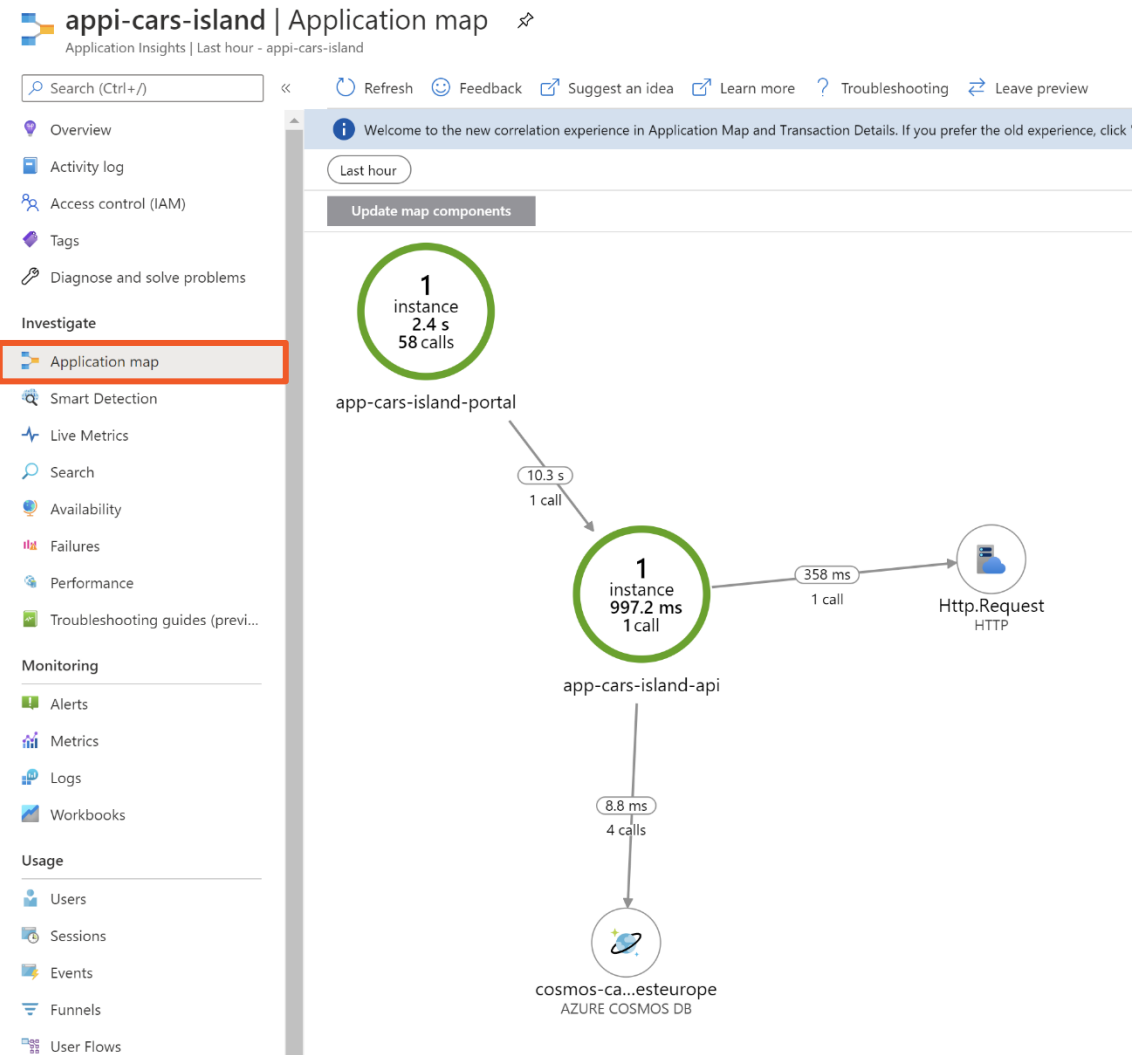


Smart Detection  
automatically warns  
you of potential  
performance  
problems and failure  
anomalies in your web  
applications

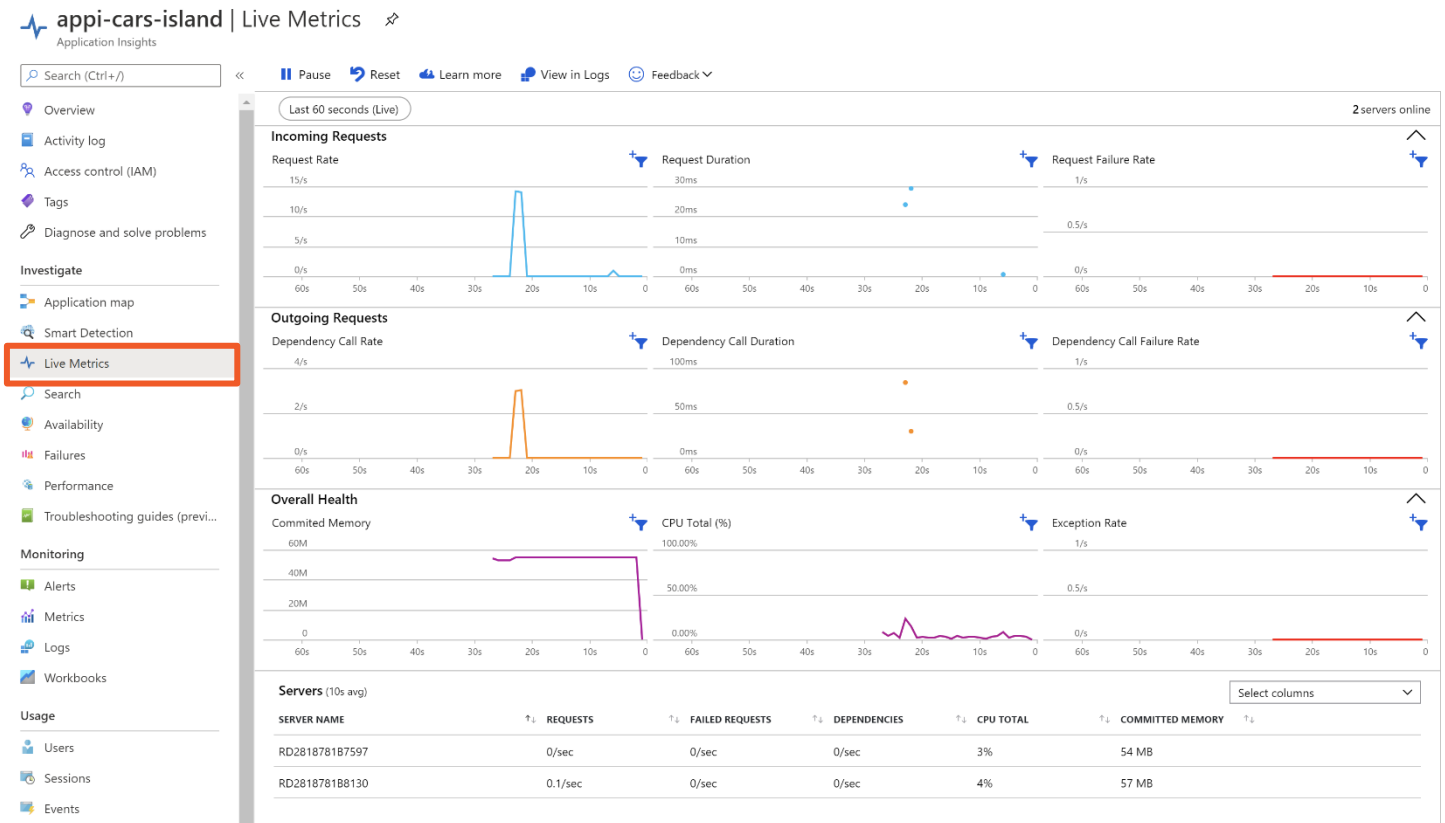
The screenshot shows the 'Smart Detection' page in the Azure Application Insights portal for the application 'appi-cars-island'. The left-hand navigation pane includes sections for Overview, Activity log, Access control (IAM), Tags, Diagnose and solve problems, Investigate (with sub-items like Application map, Smart Detection, Live Metrics, Search, Availability, Failures, Performance, and Troubleshooting guides), and Monitoring. The 'Smart Detection' item is highlighted with a red rectangle. The main content area features a search bar, navigation links (Settings, Time range, Refresh, Help, Ask the community, Suggest an idea), and a notification about email alerts. Below this, it states 'No detections in the selected time range'. Three detection cards are listed: 1. 'Abnormal rise in exception volume' with a 'When' of 7/28 5:30 AM - 7/29 5:29 AM and 'What' of a 450% increase in 'System.Web.HttpException' volume. 2. 'Insecure form data transmission detected' with a 'When' of 7/9 5:30 AM - 7/10 5:29 AM, 'What' of 2 operations submitting data to insecure URLs, and a 'Note' that data from one user was potentially compromised. 3. 'Potentially insecure URL access detected' with a 'When' of 7/9 5:30 AM - 7/10 5:29 AM, 'What' of 2 URLs accessed by both HTTP and HTTPS, and a 'Note' that 4 users accessed multiple URLs using HTTP instead of HTTPS.



Application Map helps  
spot performance  
bottlenecks or failure  
hotspots across all  
components of the  
distributed  
application



Live Metrics tab  
provides real time  
information about  
application  
performance



Failures tab provides details about issues detected inside your applications like exceptions and server errors

The screenshot shows the 'Failures' tab in the Azure Application Insights portal for an application named 'appi-cars-island'. The left-hand navigation pane lists various monitoring tools, with the 'Failures' tab highlighted by a red rectangle. The main content area displays an 'Overall' summary with three sections: 'Top 3 response codes', 'Top 3 exception types', and 'Top 3 failed dependencies'. The 'Top 3 exception types' section includes a horizontal bar chart where 'ArgumentNullExce...' is the most frequent exception, represented by a red bar.

appi-cars-island | Failures

Application Insights

Search (Ctrl+ /)

Refresh View in Logs Analyze with Workbooks Feedback

Overview

Activity log

Access control (IAM)

Tags

Diagnose and solve problems

Investigate

Application map

Smart Detection

Live Metrics

Search

Availability

**Failures**

Performance

Troubleshooting guides (previ...

Overall

Top 3 response codes

Top 3 exception types

ArgumentNullExce... 2

Top 3 failed dependencies



# Demo



## Create Application Insights resource in the Azure portal

- Overview of the Application Insights tab
- Instrumentation key



# Demo

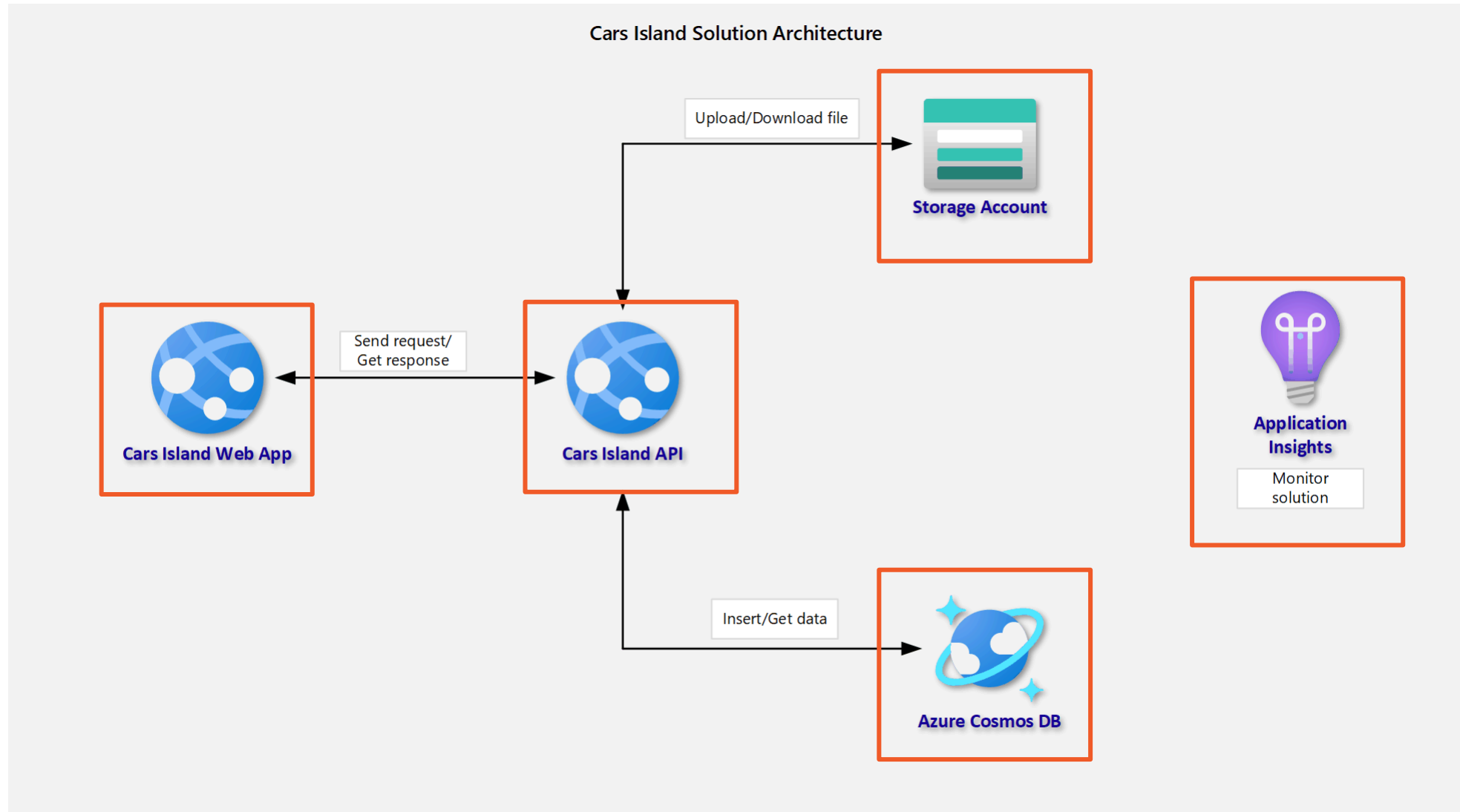


## Add instrumentation to the ASP .NET Core applications

- Integrate ASP .NET Core API application
- Integrate ASP .NET Core Blazor web application



# Solution Architecture





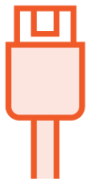
# Before We Begin



Source code link: [github.com/Daniel-Krzyczkowski/Pluralsight](https://github.com/Daniel-Krzyczkowski/Pluralsight)



We will use Visual Studio 2019 (16.5.x)



Solution requires the .NET Core 3.1



# Demo



## Analyze logs and solve issues

- Analyze logs and detect issues in the ASP .NET Core application
- Fix bugs in the source code



# Summary



Azure Monitor as a tool to monitor performance and issues related to applications and services

Application Insights as an extensible Application Performance Management service

Analyze log data and troubleshoot solutions with Application Insights

