



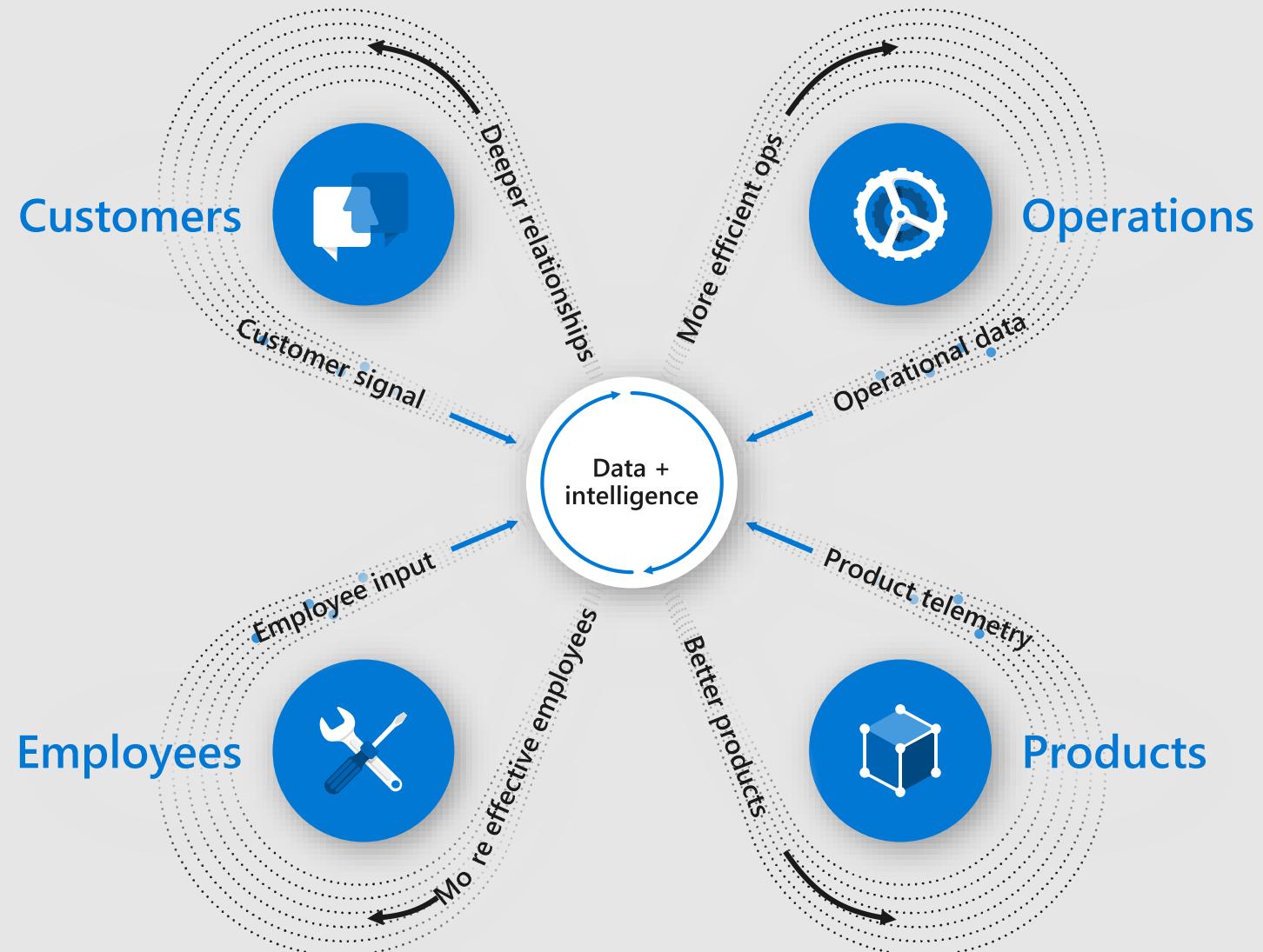
Data Security in Azure

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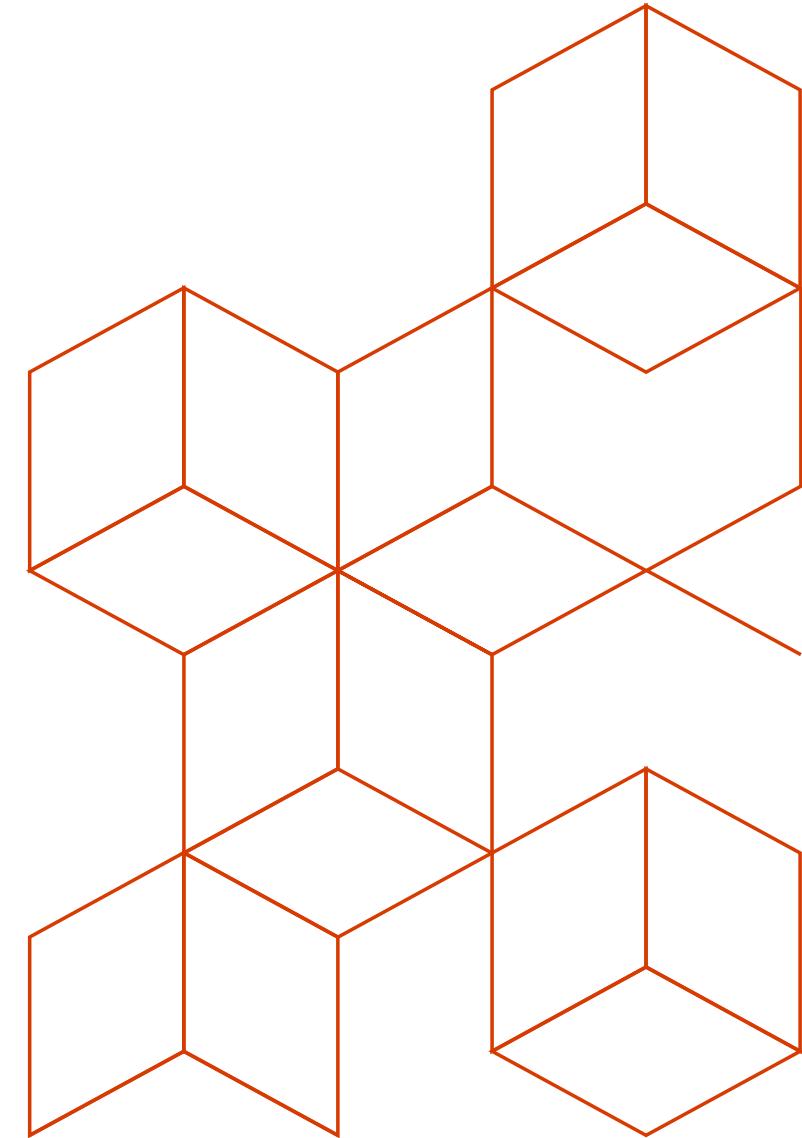
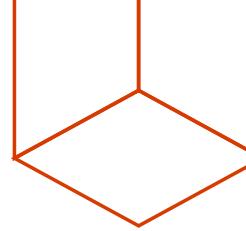
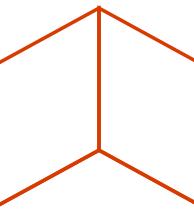


The digital feedback loop

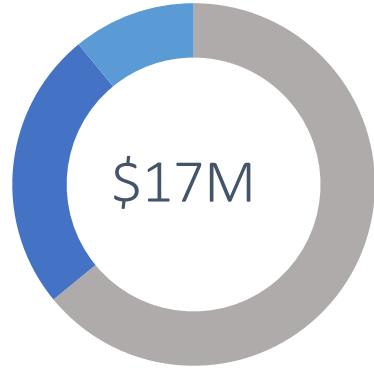
- 1 Data: Capture digital signal across business
- 2 Insight: Connect and synthesize data
- 3 Action: Improve business outcomes



If information is gold, the datastore is a treasure chest.



The security landscape | Business impact



Average cost per business impact per security breach in the US²



On average before a cyberattack is detected³

\$8 trillion
estimated damage costs from cybercrime by 2022¹

1. Cybercrime & The Internet of Threats 2017 Whitepaper, Juniper Research

2. "Cyber crime: a risk you can manage – information management and governance to protect business innovation", softward.microfocus.com, 2016

3. "M-Trends 2017: A View From the Front Lines", FireEye.com, 2017

Insider Threat: Energy Heist

- Employee left clean energy company for foreign customer.
- Prior to leaving, downloaded code to an offsite computer for proprietary wind turbine technology.
- Customer retrofitted its turbines, saving a staggering **\$800M**.



Insider Threat: Energy Heist

- Victim corporation lost **\$1B+** in shareholder equity and 700 jobs (over half its global workforce).
- The customer nearly destroyed an American company by stealing its IP.

54% of breaches are caused by insiders.¹

72% of CEOs have taken IP from a past employer.²



You can invest in a security perimeter and build a wall, but if the enemy is within, the wall does you no good.

¹ [Information Security Forum](#)

² [Code42 2018 Data Exposure Report](#)

History-Making Ransomware Heist

- WannaCry made the world sob.
- Used the EternalBlue SMB transport protocol vulnerability to spread at alarming rates around the world.
- Encrypted **176** different files on targets' endpoints; spread to other vulnerable endpoints.
- Also dropped Tor and other fun tech on the endpoints.



History-Making Ransomware Heist

- One of the most aggressive and widespread cyberattacks in history.
- **250,000+** victims across 150 countries
- **50M+ Bitcoin** paid to attackers
(as of May 25, 2017)

46% of ransomware infections are caused by spam/phishing emails.³

#1 Ransomware and APTs are top concerns of IT and security teams.⁴

75% of CISOs agree – data security strategies need to include data recovery as well as prevention.⁴



³ [Raconteur, 2017](#)

⁴ [Code42 2018 Data Exposure Report](#)

WHY PHISHING SCAMS KEEP WORKING

Enter
your bank
account
number.

SCAM.

WAIT FOR IT

Enter
your bank
account
number.

SCAM.

THERE IT IS

Enter
your bank
account
number.

OKEY—
DOKEY.

World's Largest Database Breached

- Tribune News Service reporters paid **500 rupees** for login credentials to a service offered by anonymous sellers over WhatsApp.
- The service allowed reporters to enter any Aadhaar number, a 12-digit unique identifier assigned to **every Indian citizen**.
- Reporters retrieved information – name, address, photo, phone number and email address – on queried citizens stored by UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India).



World's Largest Database Breached

- Compromised the personal information of **all 1.1 billion citizens** registered in India.
- Database info can be used to open bank accounts, buy a cellular SIM card, enroll in utilities or receive state aid.

\$3.9M The global average cost of a data breach.⁵
(in millions of USD)

\$14.8 The average cost for each lost or stolen record containing sensitive or confidential information in 2018.⁶



When collecting consumer PII data, organizations should enlist endpoint visibility tools to help protect it.

^{5, 6} IBM, [Cost of a Data Breach](#) study, conducted by Ponemon Institute 2018

[California Residents](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Select Language ▾](#)

Starwood Guest Reservation Database Security Incident

Marriott International

Marriott has taken measures to investigate and address a data security incident involving the Starwood guest reservation database. This site has information concerning the incident, answers to guests' questions and steps you can take.

Updated: 4 January 2019

The initial announcement we made on November 30, 2018, about the Starwood guest reservation database security incident stated that there may have been information on up to 500 million guests involved. We also reported that for approximately 327 million of these guests, the information included some combination of name, mailing address, phone number, email address, passport number, Starwood Preferred Guest ("SPG") account information, date of birth, gender, arrival and departure information, reservation date, communication preferences, and encrypted payment card numbers.

When we made this announcement, our work analyzing the data involved was underway. Since that time, we have been working to remove duplicate information and to determine how many records had particular types of data present.

After further data analysis we have identified approximately 383 million records as the upper boundary for the total number of guest records that were involved in the incident. This does not, however, mean that information



Starwood brands include: W Hotels, St. Regis, Sheraton Hotels & Resorts, Westin Hotels & Resorts, Element Hotels, Aloft Hotels, The Luxury Collection, Tribute Portfolio, Le Méridien Hotels & Resorts, Four Points by Sheraton and Design Hotels. Starwood branded timeshare properties (Sheraton Vacation Club, Westin Vacation Club, The Luxury Collection Residence Club, St. Regis Residence Club, and Vistana) are also included.

It all adds up...

Ransomware



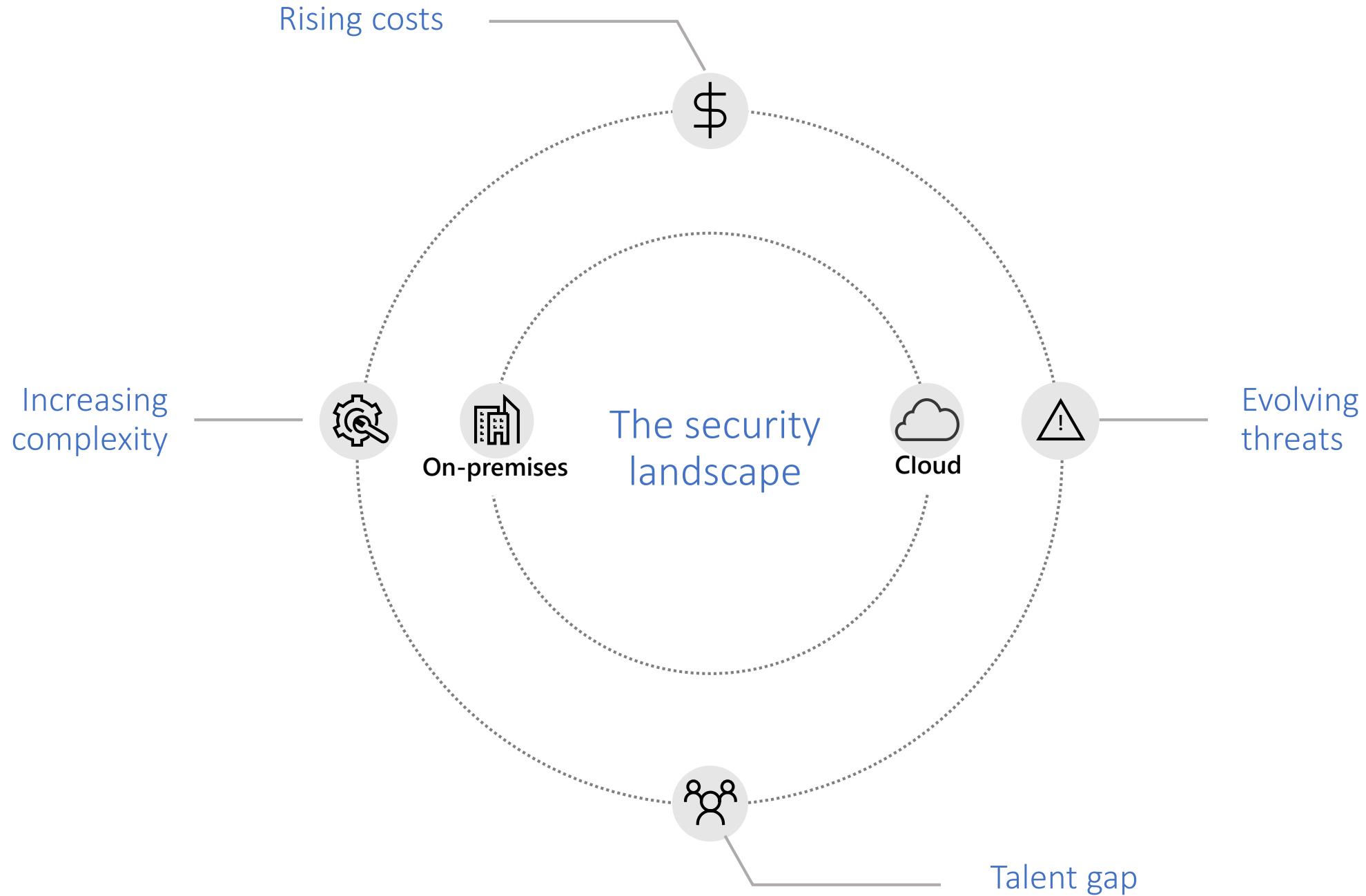
Insider Threat



File Exfiltration



Your Data



Key customer trends

Driving new management & security needs



Modernization

Application modernization to improve ROI is in full swing



Scale

Increased cloud adoption is driving the need to better organize and govern



Security

The cloud is now perceived as an asset in fighting evolving threats



Transformation

IT is transforming to play a more strategic role

The Microsoft Cloud -A Cloud You Can Trust

Security



The confidentiality, integrity, and availability of your data is protected.

Privacy & Control



No one can use your data in a way that you do not approve.

Compliance



Your content is stored and managed in compliance with applicable laws, regulations and standards.

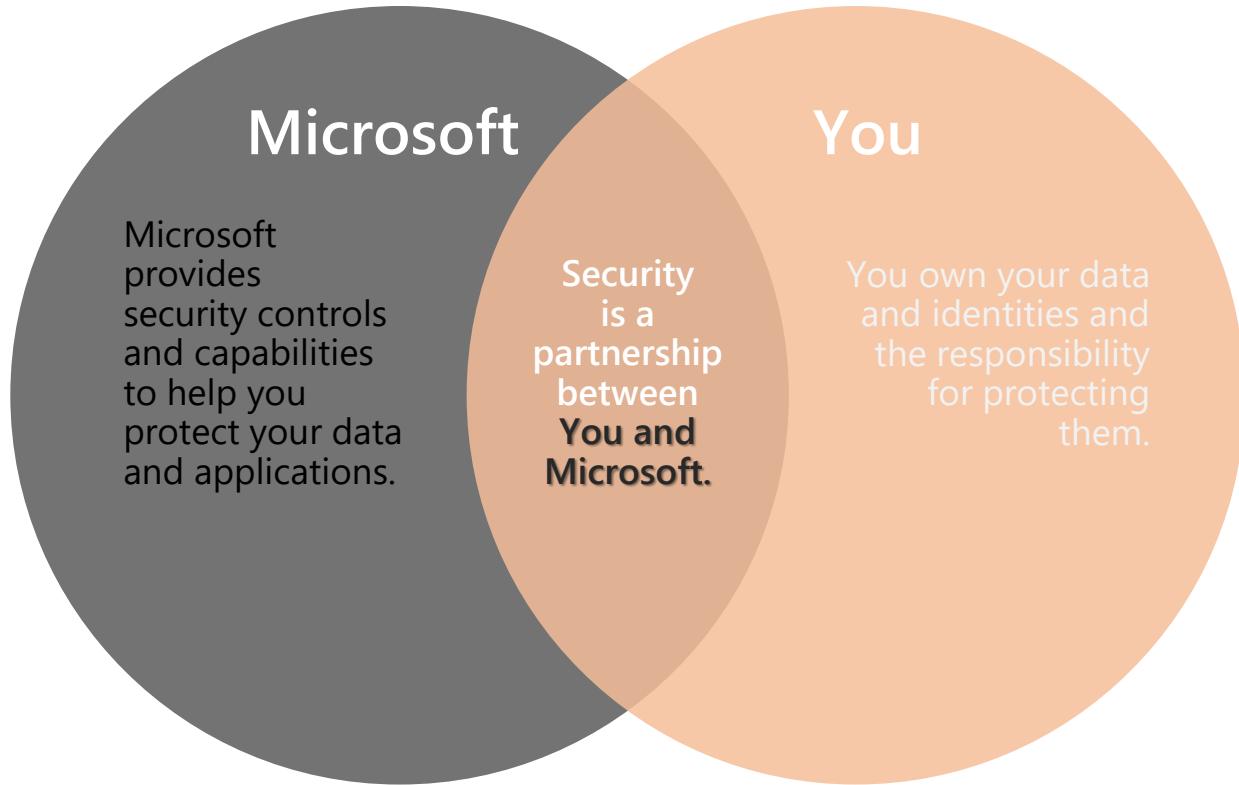
Transparency



You have visibility into how your data is being handled and used.



Let's partner on security



	Managed by Microsoft On Prem	Managed by Customer IaaS	Managed by Customer PaaS	Managed by Customer SaaS
Administration				
Applications				
Data				
Runtime				
Middleware				
Operating System				
Physical Host				
Physical Network				
Data Center				

95% of Fortune 500 business trust Microsoft Cloud



"From a security point of view, I think Azure is a demonstrably more secure environment than most banks' datacenters."

— John Schlesinger, Chief Enterprise Architect



"Azure complies with multiple international and industry security compliance standards and certifications that our customers demand. This allows us to offer our solutions in Azure with confidence."

— Brandon Pulsipher, Vice President of Technical Operation and Managed Services



"Microsoft has a great commitment to the problems of the enterprise. The security built into Azure is huge for us and ensures the safety of our data wherever it is."

— Julia Anderson, Global Chief Information Officer



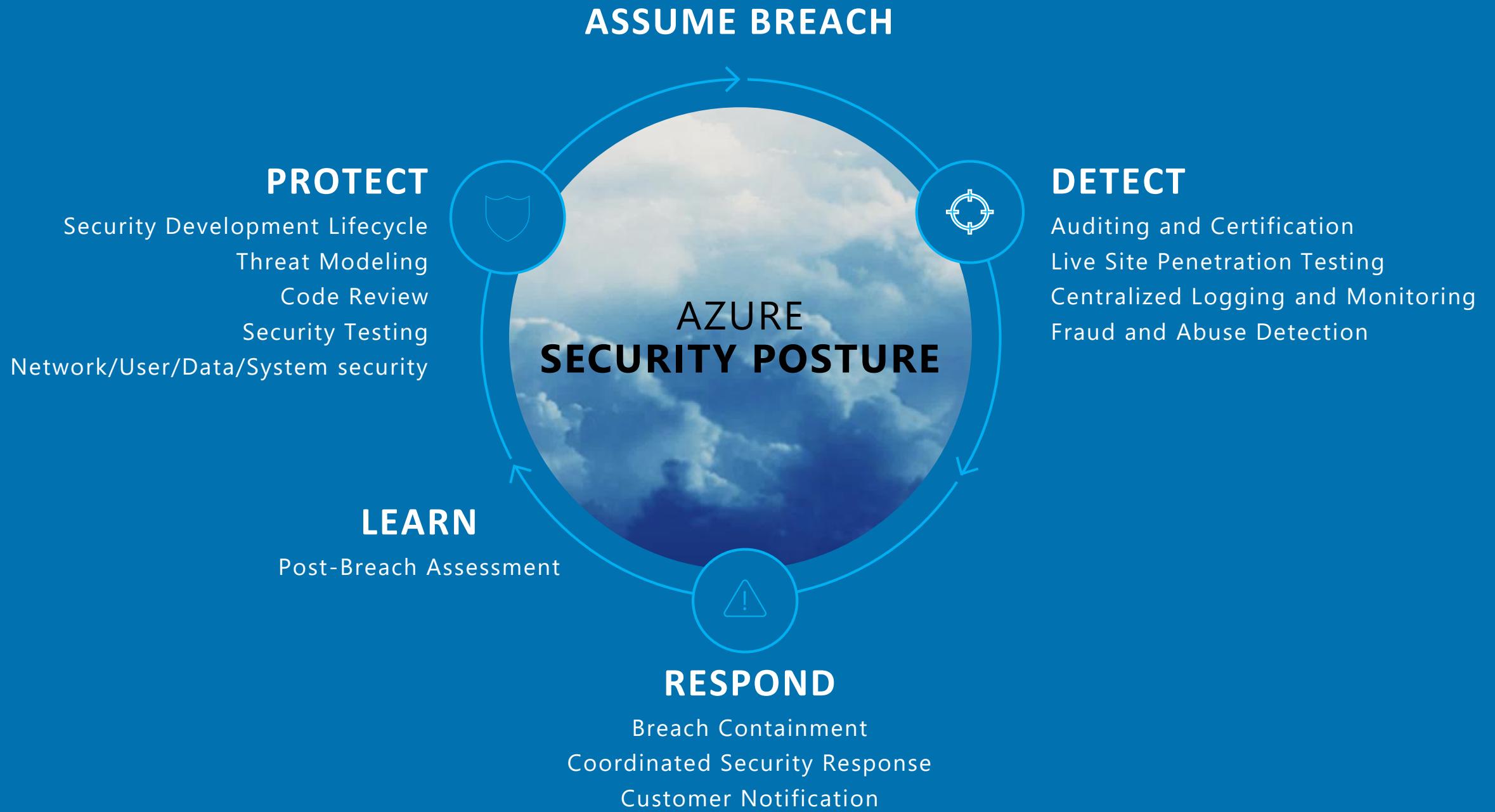
"Building with the additional layer of Azure security, we feel we have a far better security posture than we could provide ourselves."

— Thomas Fredell, Chief Product Officer



"Today, our operations team saves at least 30 percent of its time by using Security Center."

— Monish Darda, Co-founder and CTO

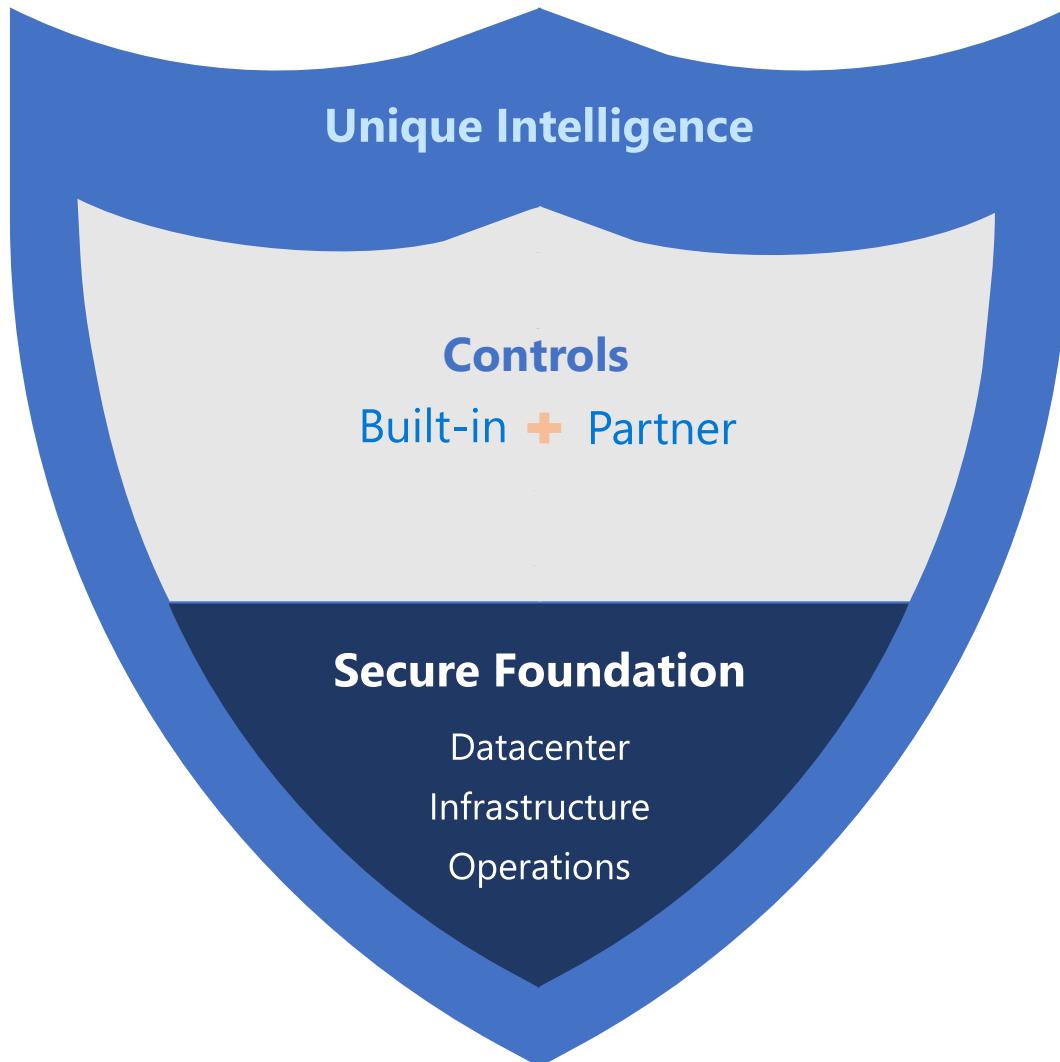


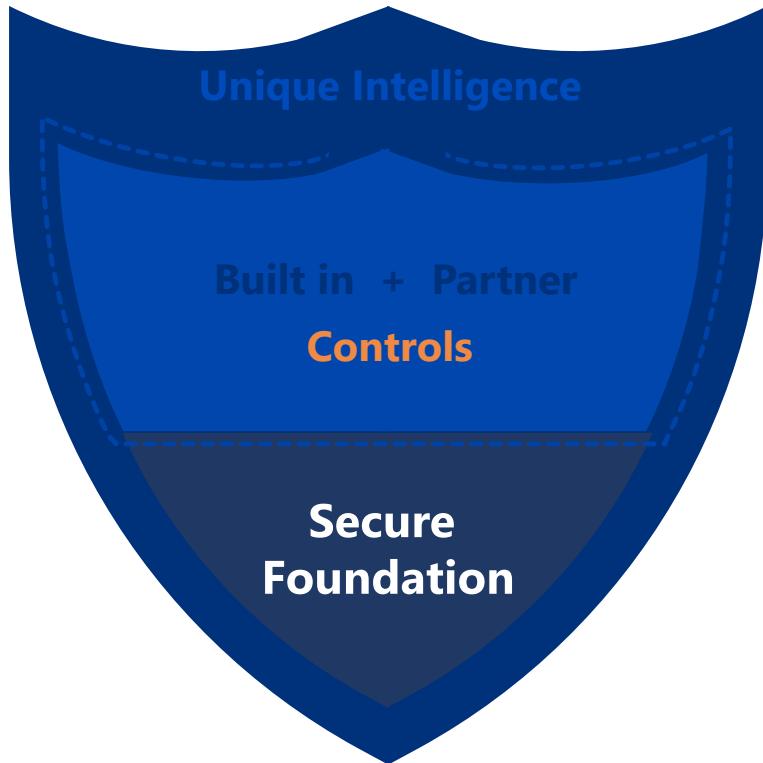
How Azure helps strengthen security

\$1B+ annual investments

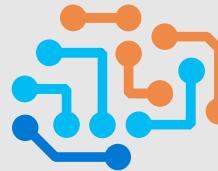
Over 3500 security experts

Trillions of diverse signals





Industry leading security systems across global datacenters



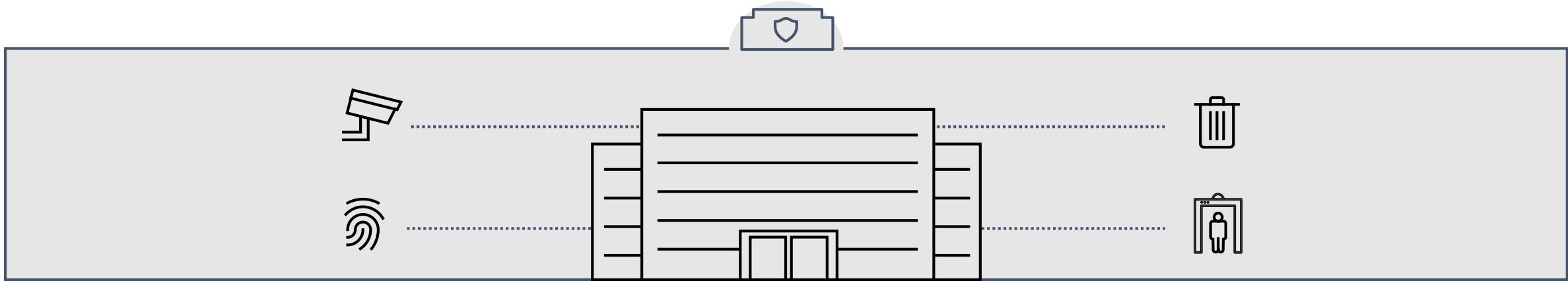
Cloud infrastructure with custom hardware and platform level protections



Collectively secured with cutting edge operational security

Physical datacenter security

Secure foundation



**Global datacenters designed and
operated by Microsoft**

Protected by industry leading security systems

Extensive layers of protection

Helps reduce unauthorized physical access

Extensive layers of protection

Physical datacenter security

Access approval



Background check



System check

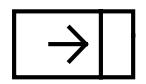
Perimeter



Perimeter fencing



Front entrance gate



1 defined access point



Video coverage



Ongoing roaming patrols

Building



Two-factor authentication with biometrics



No building signage



Ongoing roaming patrols



Video coverage



Verified single person entry



24x7x365 security operations

Server environment



Video coverage rack front & back



Employee & contractor vetting



Video coverage



Metal detectors



Inability to identify location of specific customer data



Two-factor authentication with biometrics



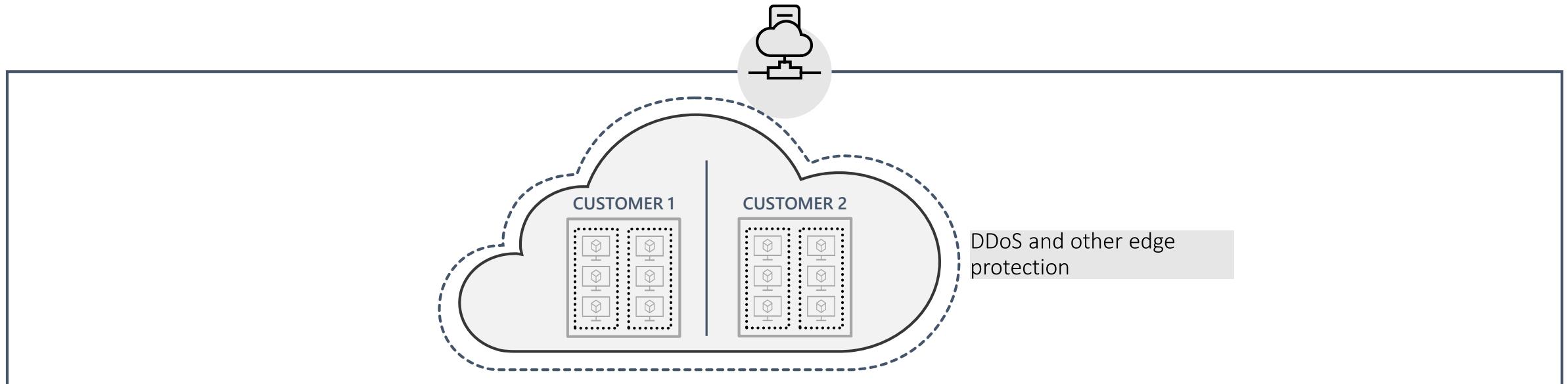
Ongoing roaming patrols



Secure destruction bins

Azure infrastructure security

Secure foundation



Protect customer data

Data, network segregation. DDoS protection at the edge. Platform segregation. Confidential computing.

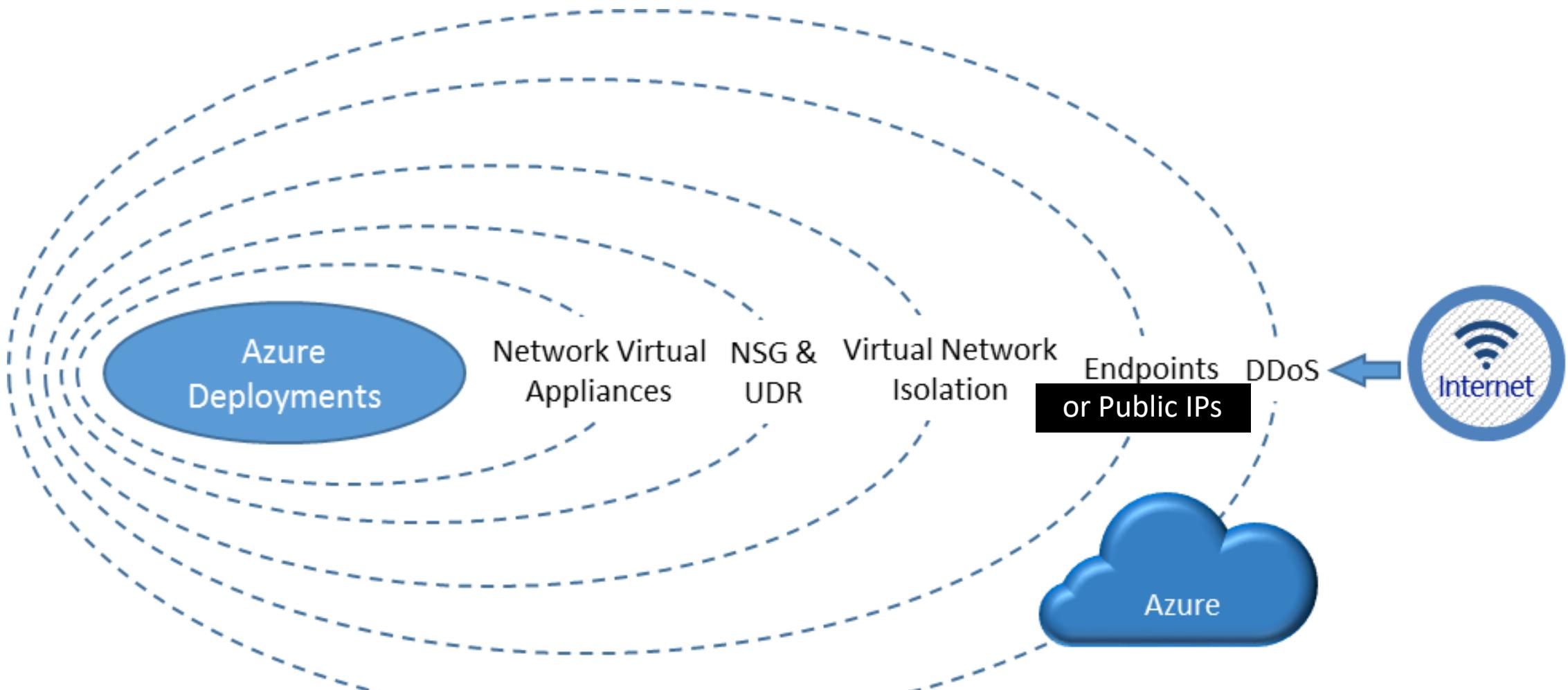
Secure hardware

Custom-built hardware with integrated security and attestation

Continuous testing

War game exercises by Microsoft teams, vulnerability scanning & continuous monitoring

Visualizing the security layers



Restricted access to production

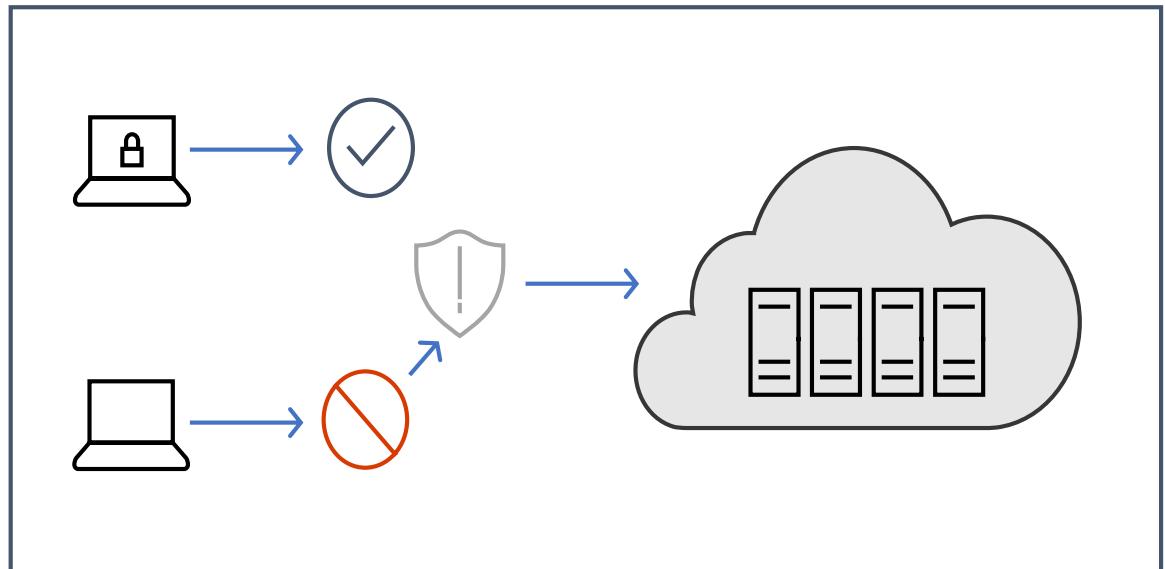
Operational Security

No standing access to production servers and services. Just In Time Elevation required.

Multi-factor authentication required for admin actions

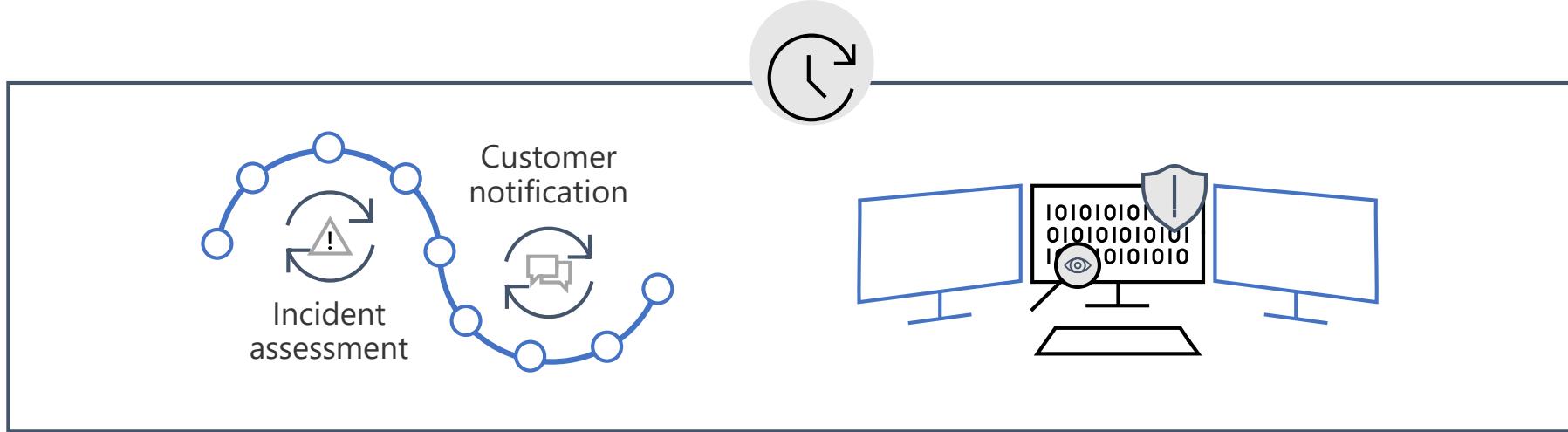
"Secure Workstations" required to access production

Access requests are audited, logged and monitored



Security Response and Monitoring

Secure foundation



Incident response

Multi-step incident response process

Focus on containment & recovery

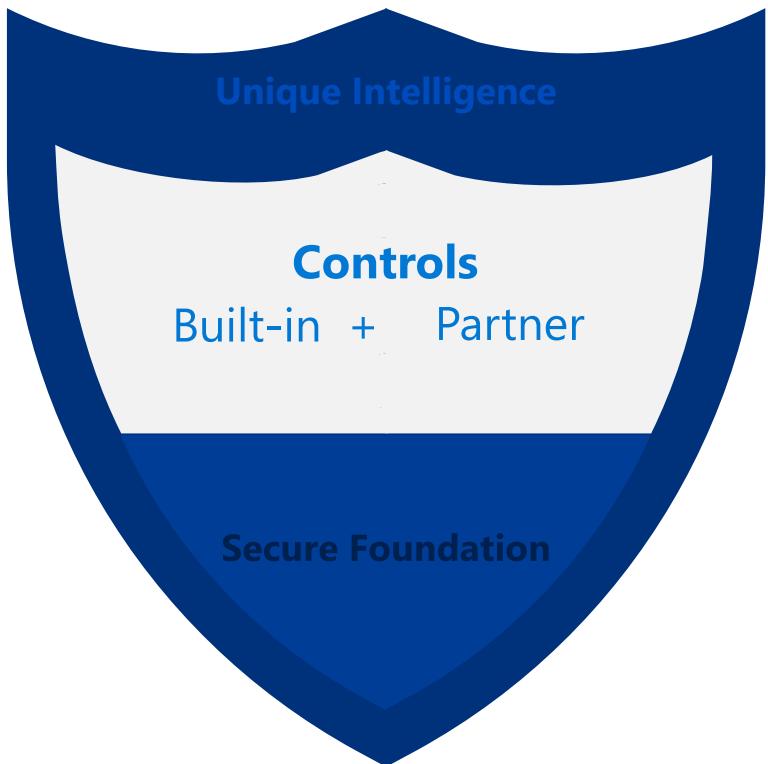
3500+ security professionals

Working to harden, patch and protect the platform

24x7 monitoring for threats; emergency response drills

Incident Response





Defense in Depth

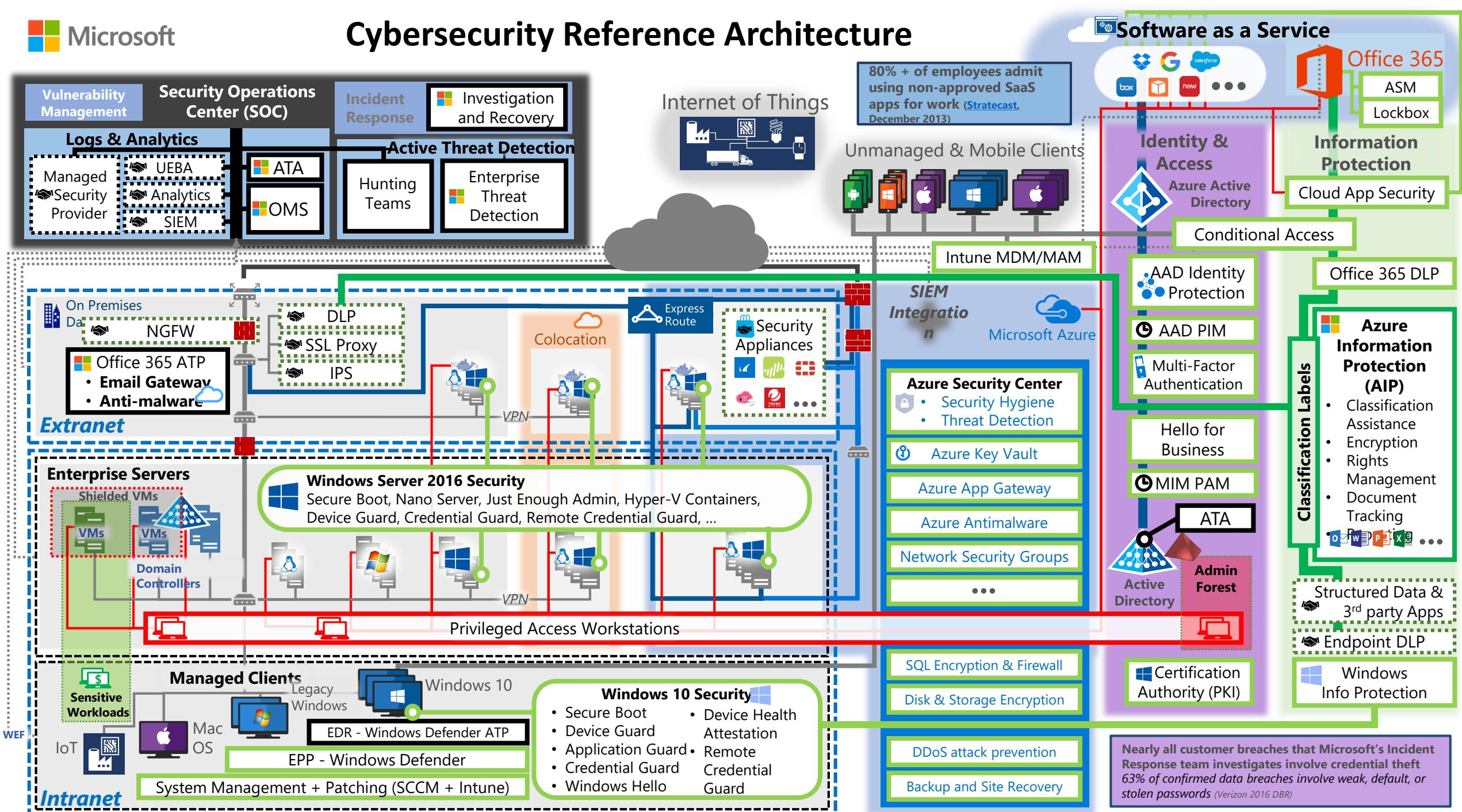
Identity & Access	Apps & Data Security	Network Security	Threat Protection	Security Management
Role based access	Encryption	DDoS Protection	Antimalware	Log Management
Multi-Factor Authentication	Confidential Computing	NG Firewall	AI Based Detection and Response	Security Posture Assessment
Central Identity Management	Key Management	Web App Firewall	Cloud Workload Protection	Policy and governance
Identity Protection	Certificate Management	Private Connections	SQL Threat Protection	Regulatory Compliance
Privileged Identity Management	Information Protection	Network Segmentation	IoT Security	SIEM

Microsoft + Partners

A corner of the cyber security landscape



Cybersecurity Reference Architecture



Demo

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Microsoft Azure Security Documentation page at <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/security/>. The page has a dark header with the Microsoft Azure logo and a navigation bar with links like Overview, Solutions, Products, Documentation, Pricing, Training, Marketplace, Partners, Support, Blog, and More. A 'Free account' button is also visible. The main content area features a large heading 'Azure Security Documentation' and a paragraph about the integrated security advantages of Azure. Below this is a section titled 'Learn about Azure security' with several cards containing questions and answers about Azure security.

Azure Security Documentation

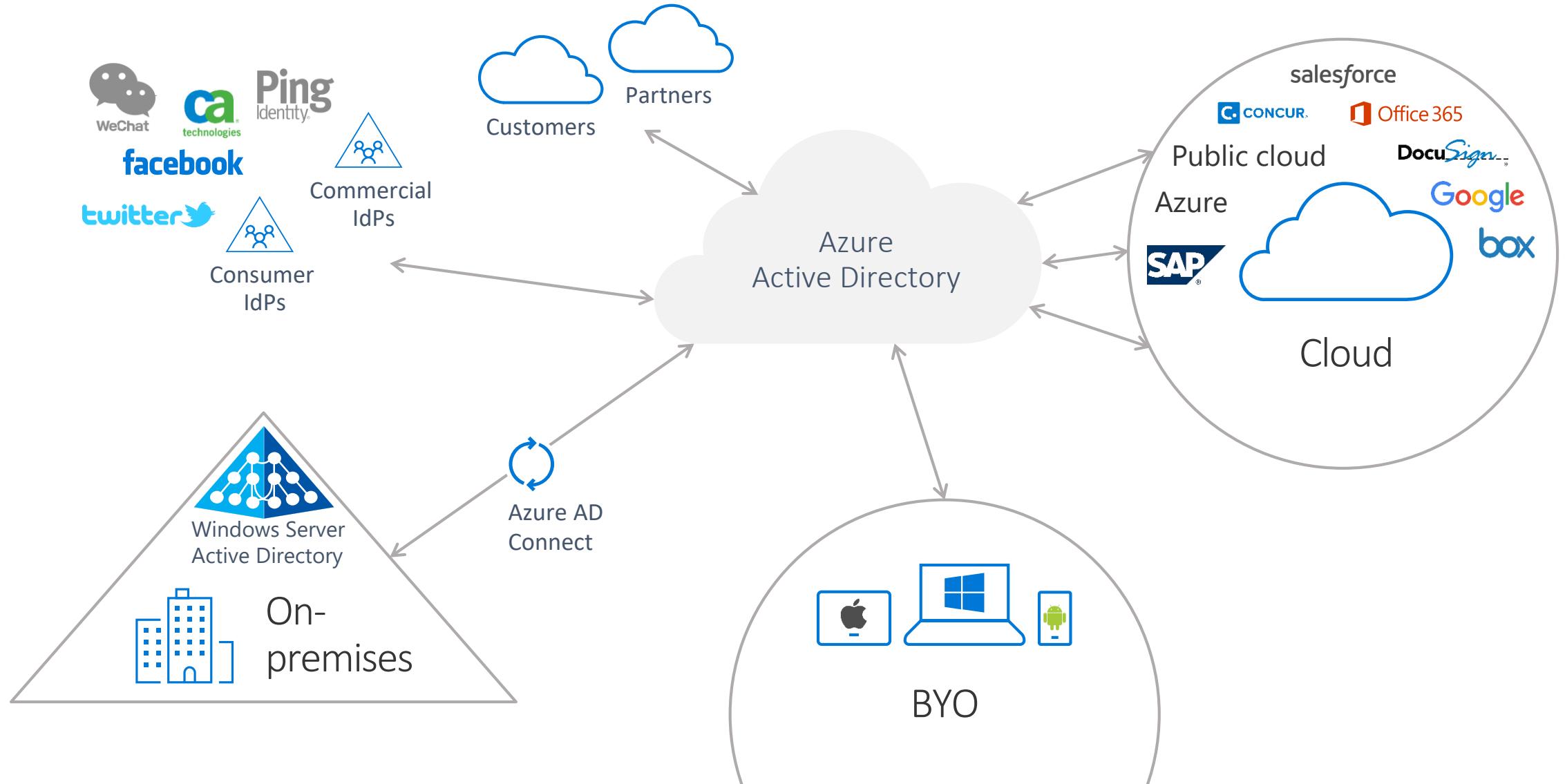
Security is integrated into every aspect of Azure. Azure offers you unique security advantages derived from global security intelligence, sophisticated customer-facing controls, and a secure hardened infrastructure. This powerful combination helps protect your applications and data, support your compliance efforts, and provide cost-effective security for organizations of all sizes.

Learn about Azure security

- I'm considering Azure for my company. What security does Azure have to offer?
- How does Microsoft share security responsibilities with my organization?
- How does Microsoft secure the Azure infrastructure?
- Storage security overview
- Network security overview
- Data encryption overview
- What monitoring and logging options are available in Azure?
- How does Azure secure my data at rest?
- How do I encrypt Azure virtual machines

Identity is a new security control plane

Built-in Controls | Identity



Manage and control user identity and access

Built-in Controls | Identity

Extend on-premises directory to the cloud with single sign-on

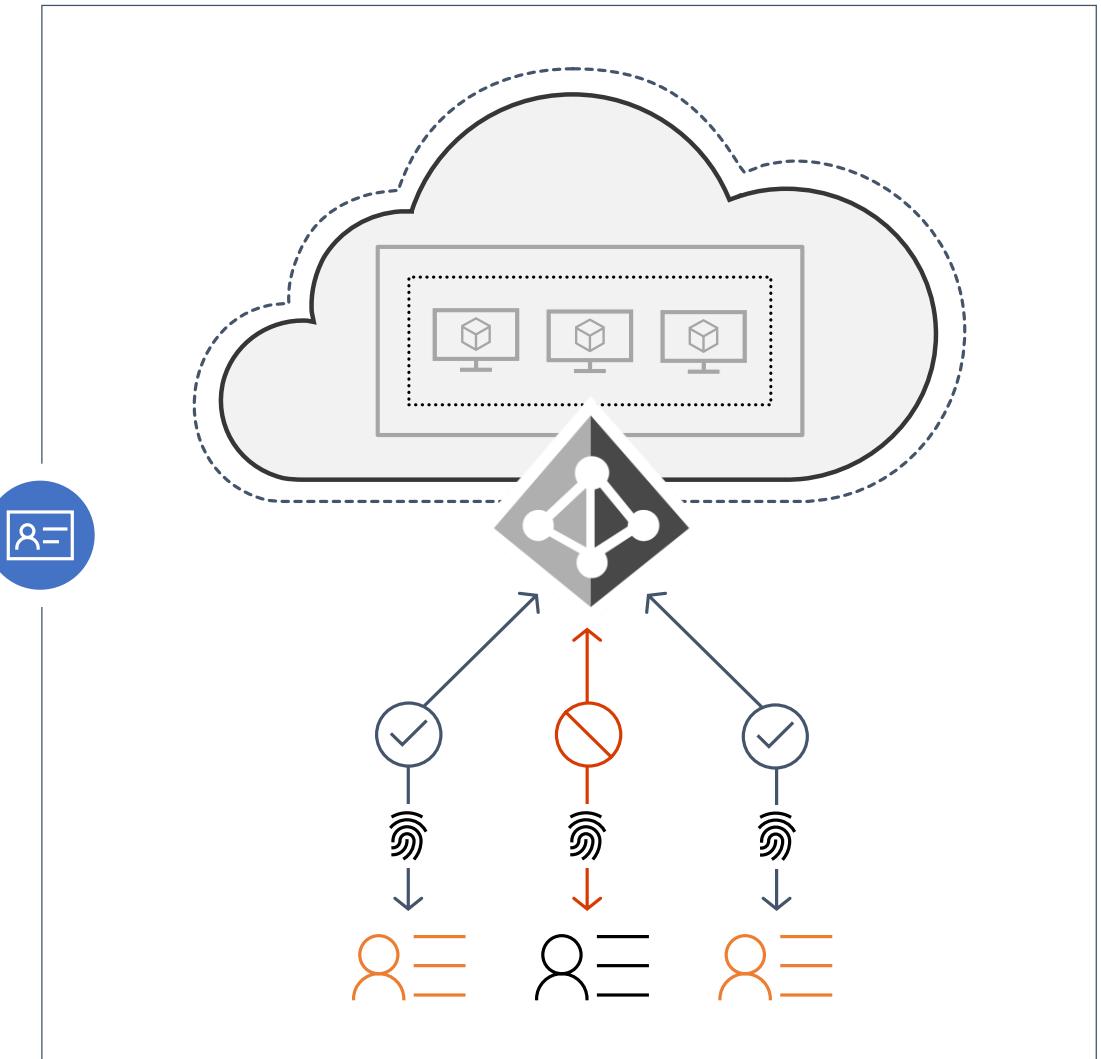
- Azure Active Directory Connect

Use principle of least privilege

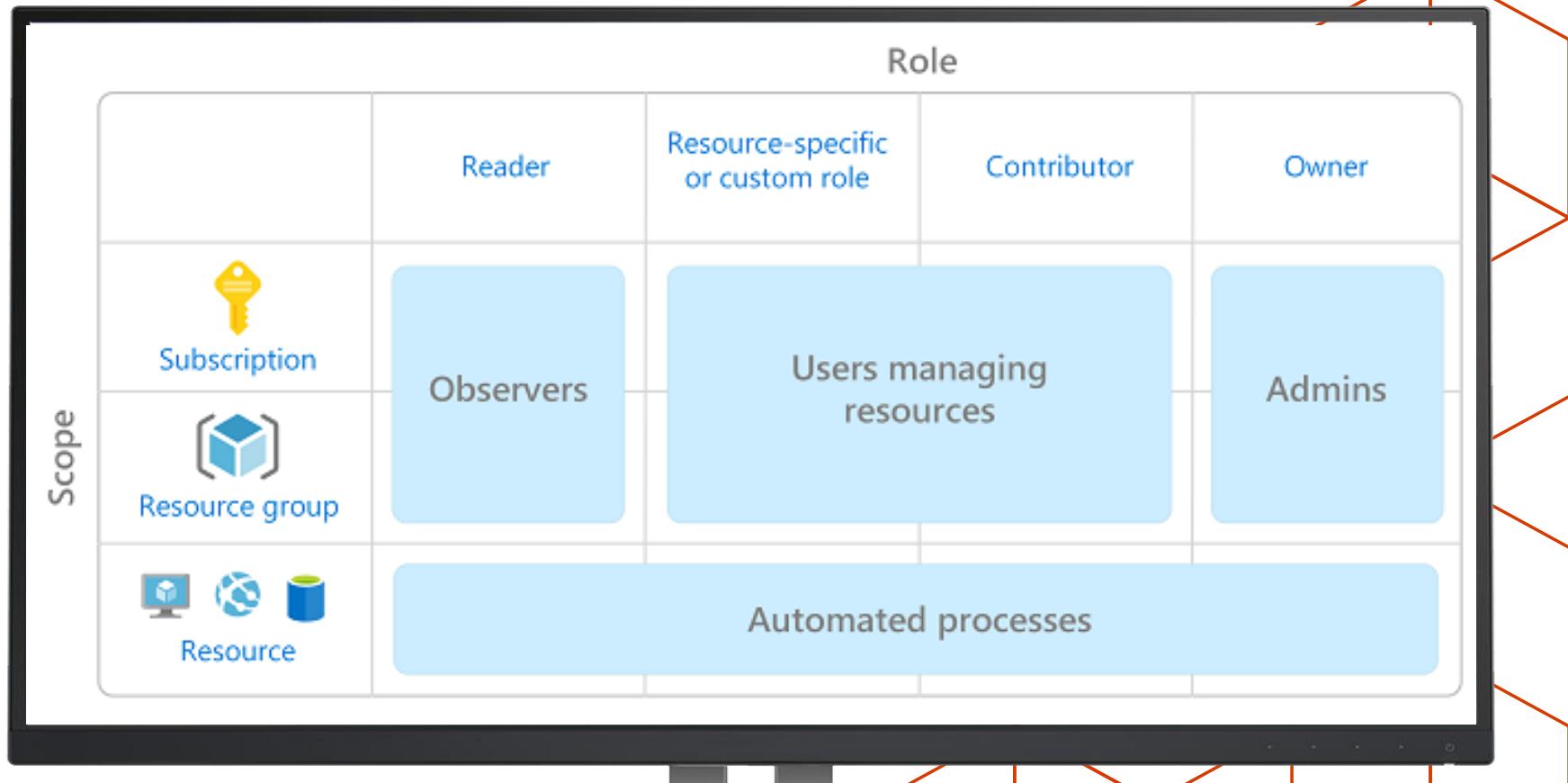
- Azure Role Based Access Control
- AAD Conditional Access policy

Enable additional identity protection

- Configure Multi-factor authentication
- Monitor and control privileged accounts with Azure AD PIM
- Enable additional threat protection with Azure AD Identity Protection



Demo



Data Protection

Data segregation

Logical isolation segregates each customer's data from that of others.

At-rest data protection

Customers can implement a range of encryption options for virtual machines and storage.

In-transit data protection

Industry-standard protocols encrypt data in transit to/from outside components, as well as data in transit internally by default.

Encryption

Data encryption in storage or in transit can be deployed by the customer to align with best practices for ensuring confidentiality and integrity of data.

Data redundancy

Customers have multiple options for replicating data, including number of copies and number and location of replication datacenters.

Data destruction

When customers delete data or leave Azure, Microsoft follows procedures to render the previous customer's data inaccessible.



Protect data and communications

Built-in Controls | Data protection

Enable built-in encryption across resources

Azure Storage Service Encryption

Azure Disk Encryption

SQL TDE/Always Encrypted

Encrypt data while in use

Azure confidential computing

Use delegated access to storage objects

Shared Access Signature enables more granular access control

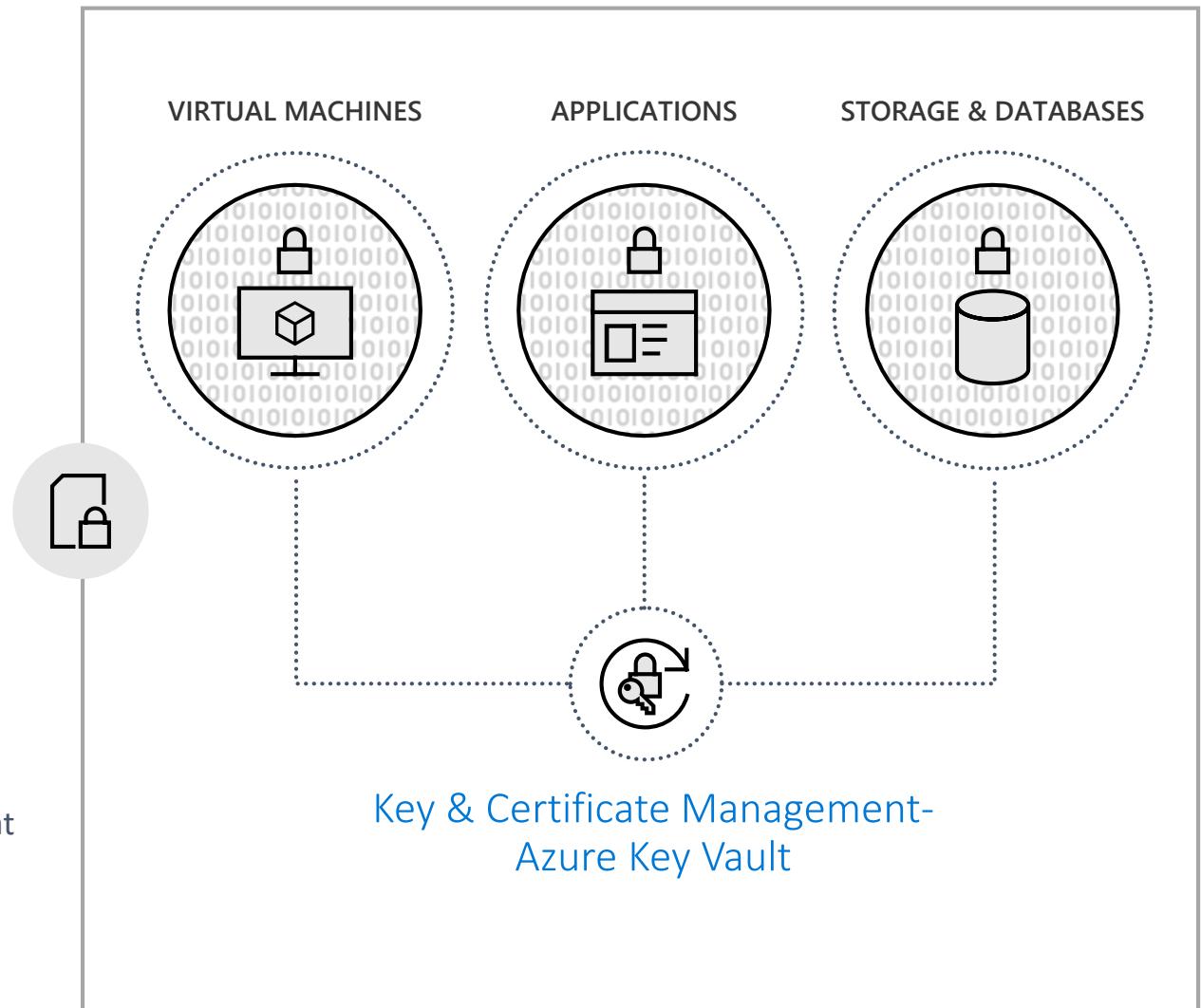
Use a key management system

Keep keys in a hardware HSM/don't store key in apps/GitHub

Use one Key Vault per security boundary/per app/per region

Monitor/audit key usage-pipe information into SIEM for analysis/threat detection

Use Key Vault to enroll and automatically renew certificates



Network access control

Built-in Controls | Network security

Configure NSG and UDR Controls

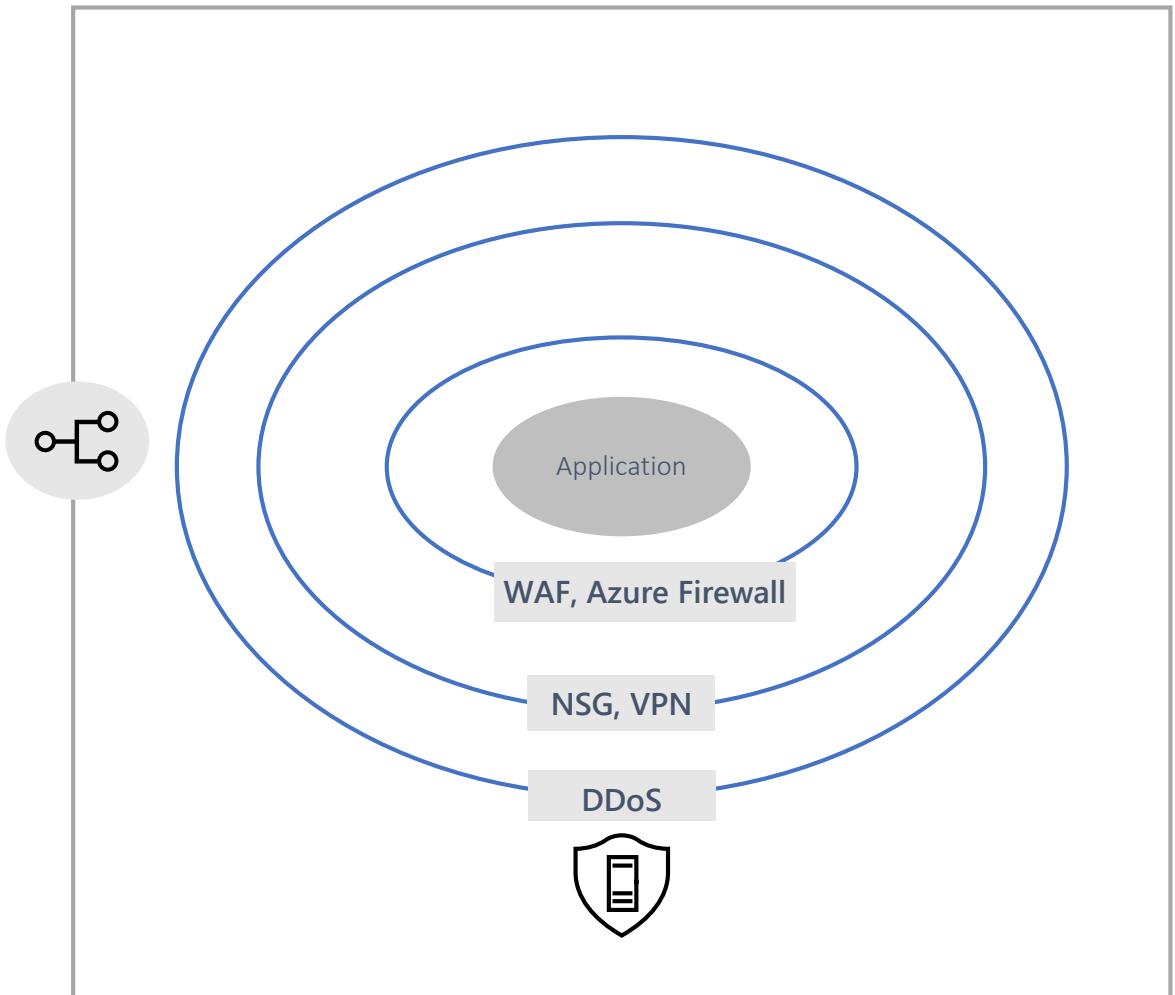
- Configure Network Security Groups for purpose built access
- Apply User Defined Routes to direct traffic
- Implement tiered rule sets

Add Network Virtual Appliances

- Use Virtual Network Appliance to enable additional filtering
- Use Web Application Firewall & network firewall
- Configure DDoS Protection to protect against targeted attacks

Configure Service Specific Rules

- Use application and server firewall rules
- Monitor network security policy per VM with Azure Security Center



Protect workloads against evolving attacks

Built-in Controls | Threat protection

Mitigate potential vulnerabilities proactively

Ensure up to date VMs with relevant security patches

Enable host anti-malware

Reduce surface area of attack

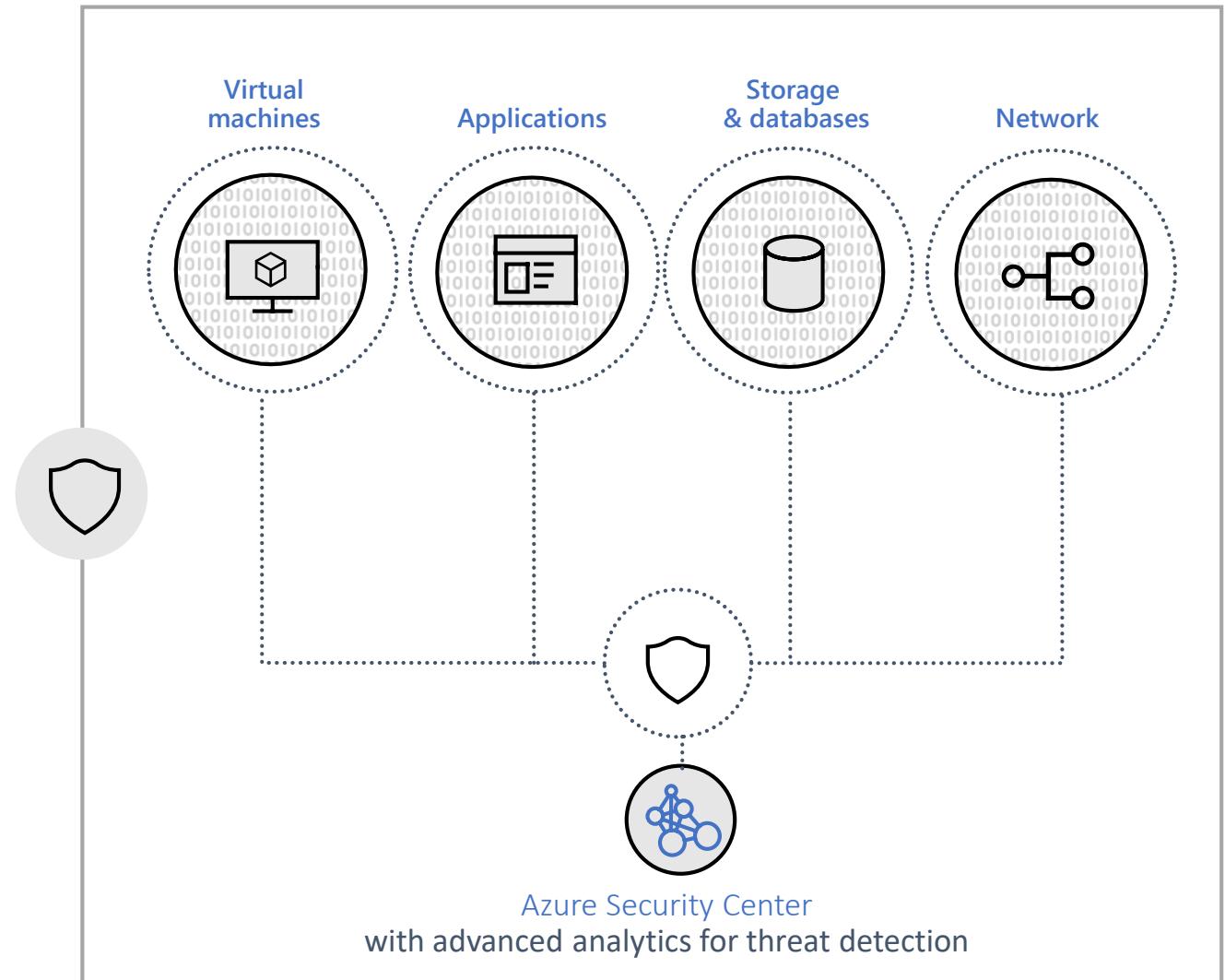
Enable just in time access to management ports

Configure Application Whitelisting to prevent malware execution

Detect threats early and respond faster

Use actionable alerts and incidents

Interactive investigation tool and playbooks to orchestrate responses



Demo

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Security Center - Overview page, showing the following key metrics:

Policy & compliance

Subscription coverage: 2 TOTAL, 2 COVERED (STANDARD), 0 COVERED (FREE), 0 NOT COVERED.

Policy compliance: Overall compliance is 38%. Least compliant subscriptions are Contoso IT - demo (34%) and ASC DEMO (54%).

Resource security hygiene:

- Recommendations:** 37 TOTAL, 16 HIGH SEVERITY, 12 MEDIUM SEVERITY, 9 LOW SEVERITY. 205 Unhealthy resources.
- Resource health monitoring:** 147 Compute & apps, 134 Data & storage, 69 Networking, 2 Identity & access.

Threat protection

Security alerts by severity: 71 TOTAL, 13 HIGH SEVERITY, 46 MEDIUM SEVERITY, 12 LOW SEVERITY. 23 Attacked resources.

Security alerts over time: A chart showing the number of security alerts per week from 15 Sun to 29 Sun.

Automation & orchestration

Playbooks (Preview): 15 items listed.

Advanced cloud defense

Adaptive application controls: 15 items listed.

Other sections

Most prevalent recommendations:

- Apply disk encryption: 93 VMs
- Add a Next Generation Firewall: 41 endpoints
- Endpoint Protection not installed on Az...: 35 VMs

New - App Service threat detection (preview): Security Center now monitors your App Service applications for malicious activities such as: vulnerability scanning, malicious login attempts on management interfaces and more.

Enable visibility and control across hybrid workloads

Built-in Controls | Security Management

Enable centralized view of security state across cloud and on-premises workloads

Monitor security across all subscriptions and environments

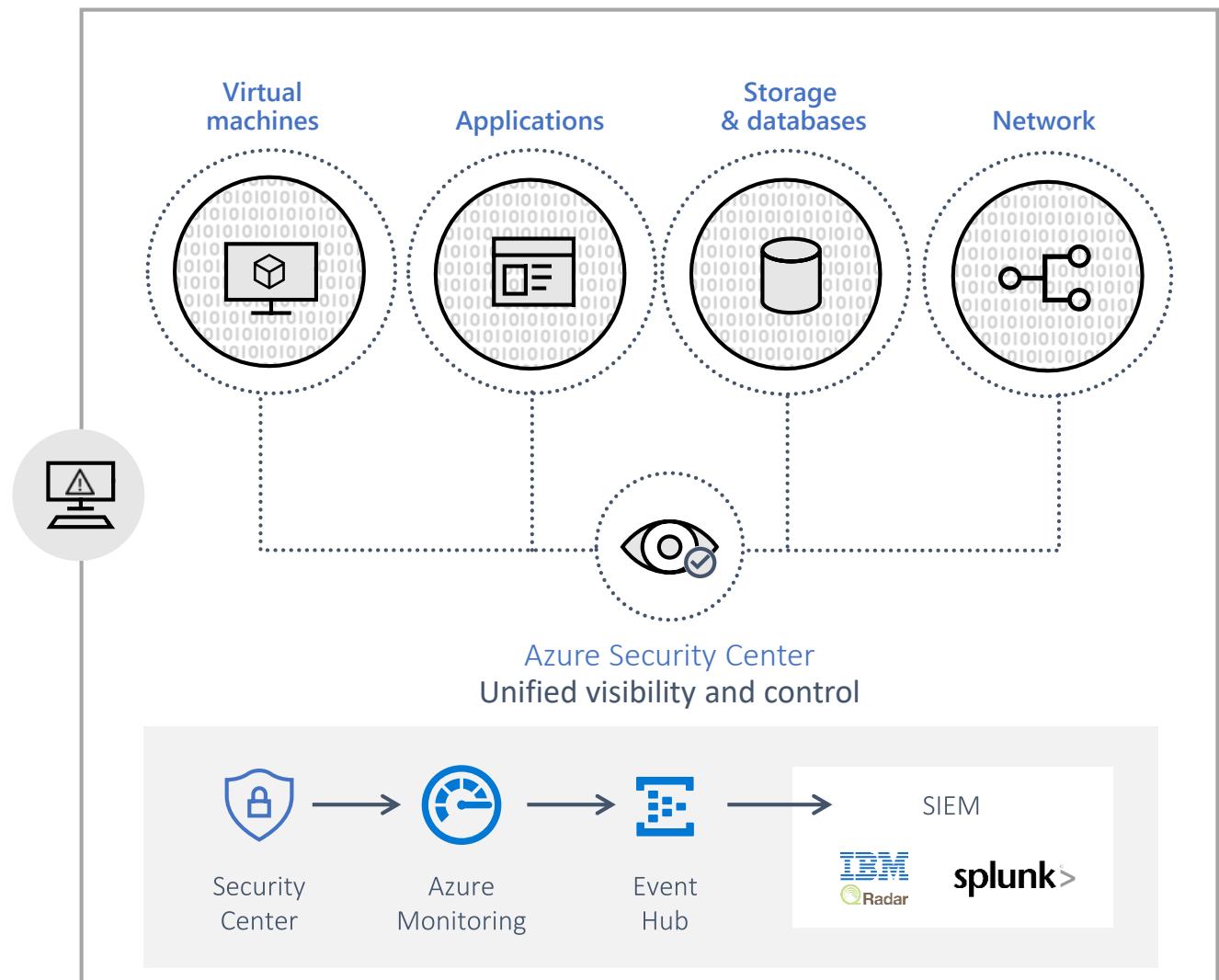
Ensure compliance to your requirements

Configure centralized security policy and view compliance score across different resources in a central dashboard

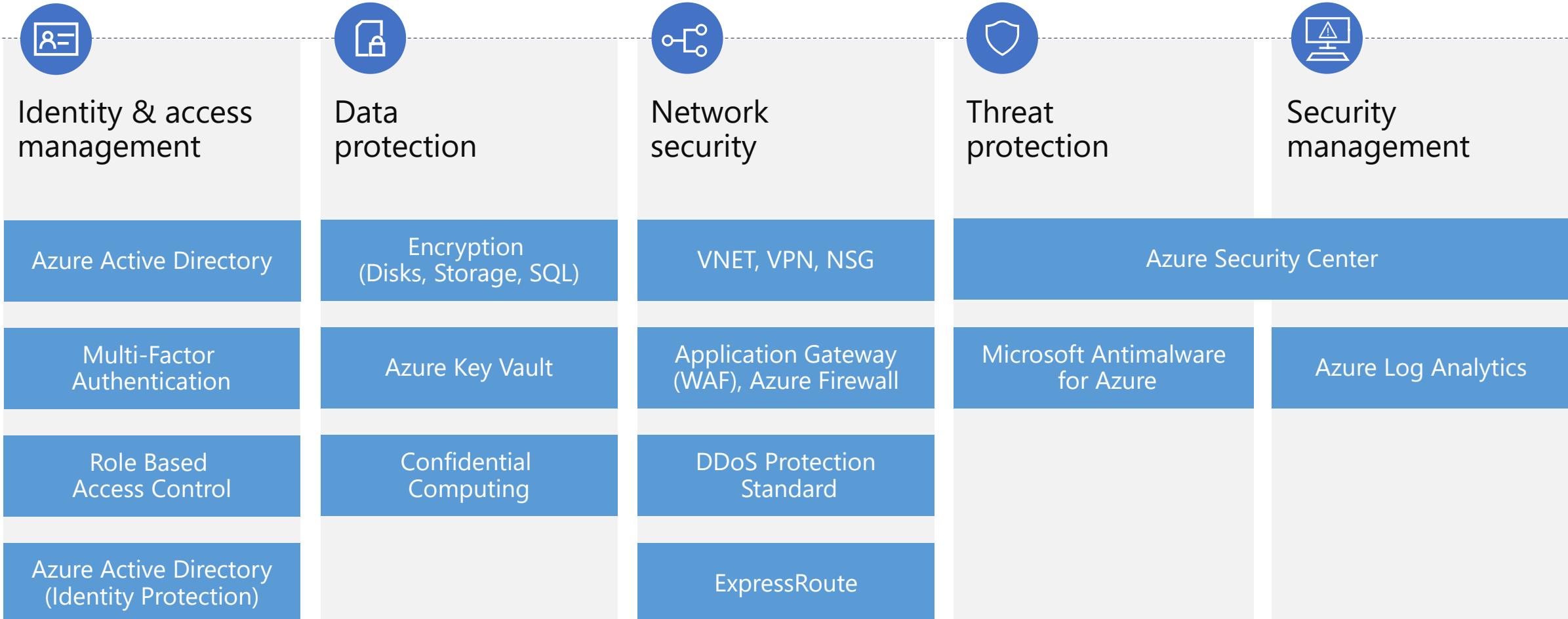
Integrate auditing, logging with existing processes

Configure auditing, logging and use Log Analytics for advanced analysis

Export security data to existing SIEM solutions



Simplify security management with Azure services



+ Partner Solutions

Extend your existing security solution to Azure with Marketplace

Partner Solutions



Identity & access management



Data protection



Network security



Palo Alto Networks



Check Point
SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGIES LTD.



Threat protection



Security management



HPE ArcSight



Splunk



IBM QRadar



ALERT LOGIC

And hundreds more with new partners integrating every month

Azure covers 91 compliance offerings

Azure has the deepest and most comprehensive compliance coverage in the industry

Global	US Gov	Industry	Regional
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Azure SQL Security



Use Cases for Azure SQL

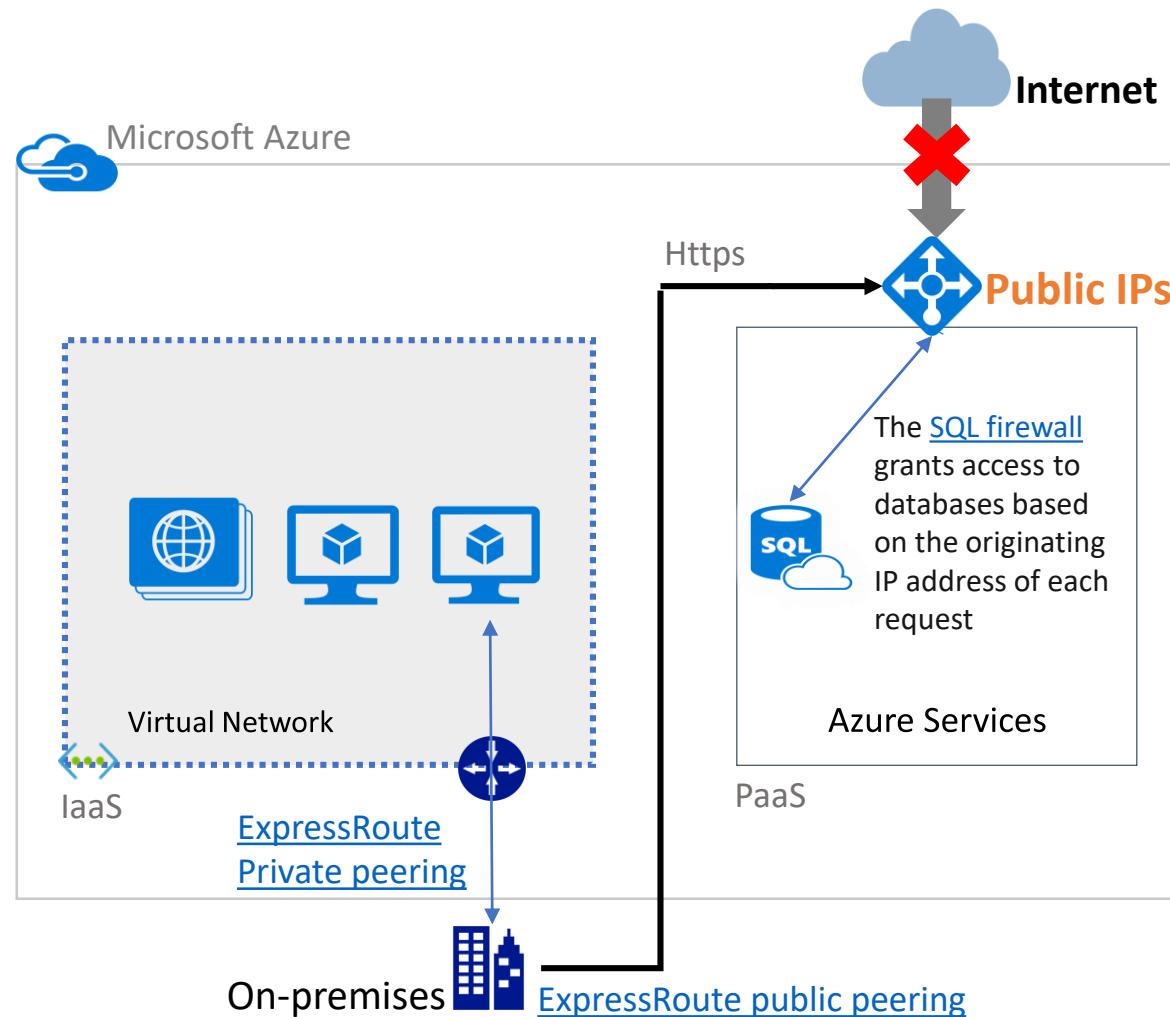
Access Azure SQL from
on premise
Applications

Access Azure SQL from
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hosted on IaaS

Access Azure SQL from
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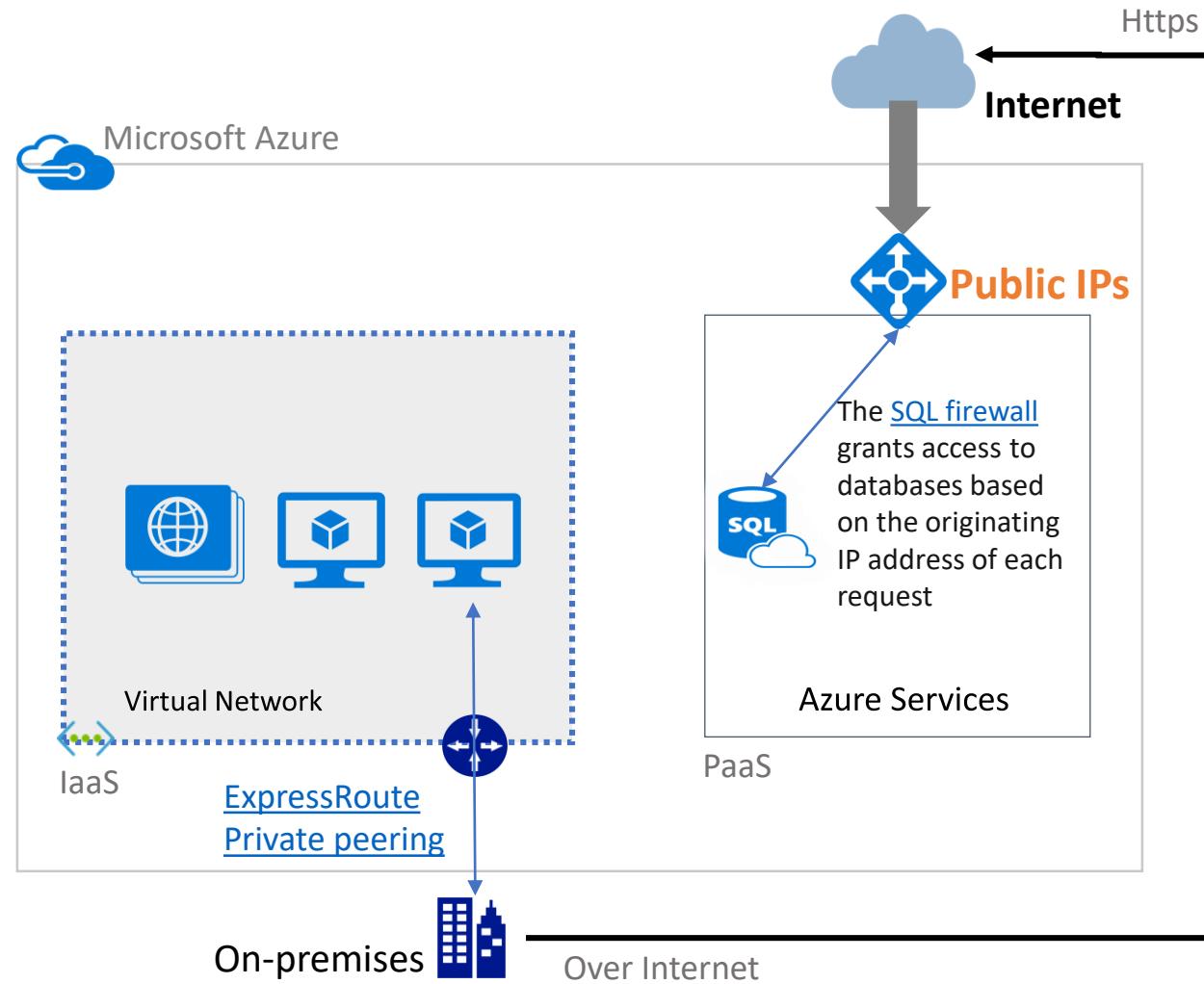
Access Azure SQL from on premise Applications

Option 1



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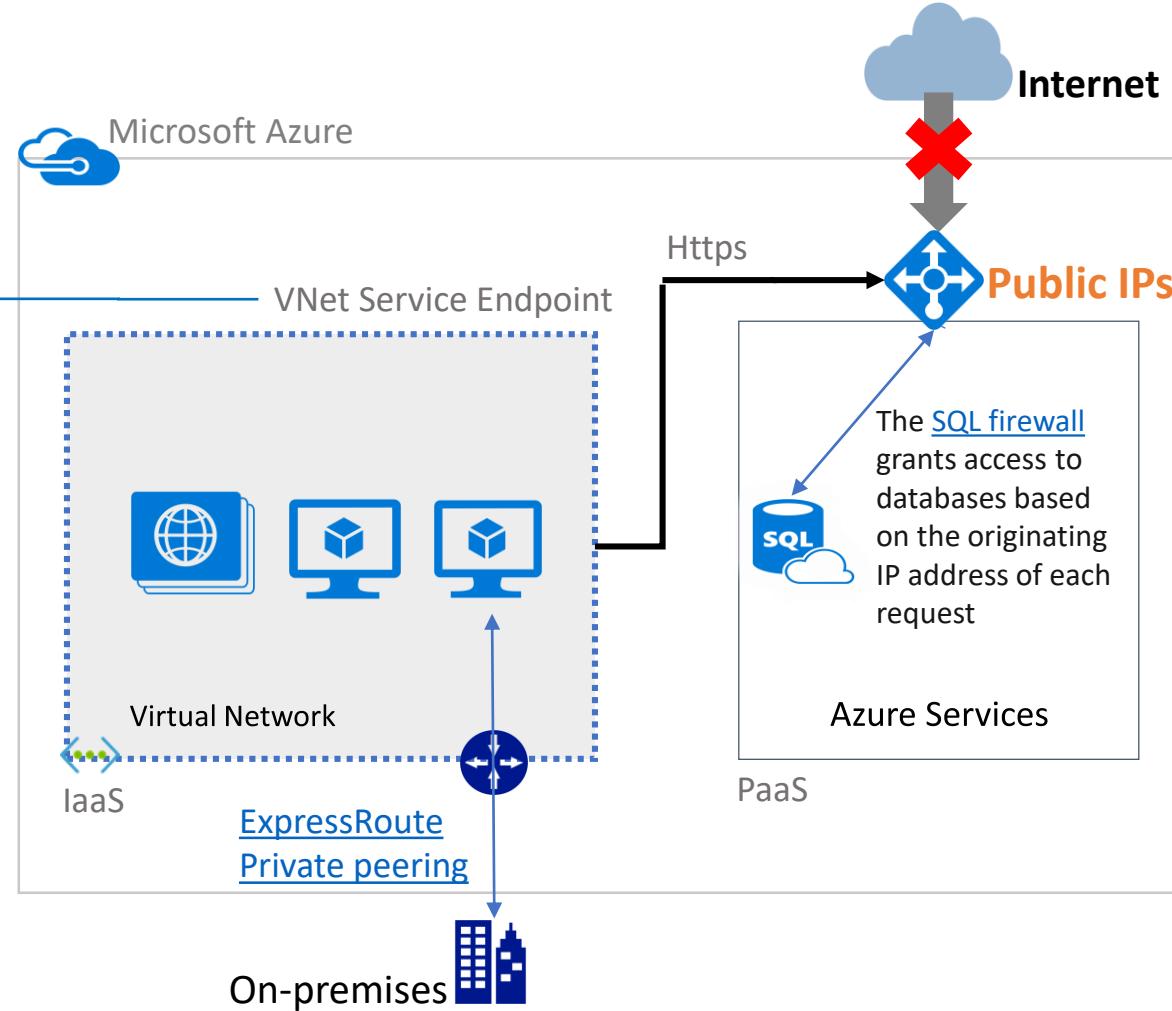
Option 2



Access Azure SQL from Azure Applications hosted on IaaS

Option 1

VNet Service Endpoint allows you to isolate connectivity to your logical server from only a given subnet or set of subnets within your virtual network. The traffic to Azure SQL Database from your VNet will always stay within the Azure backbone network. This direct route will be preferred over any specific routes that take Internet traffic through virtual appliances or on-premises.

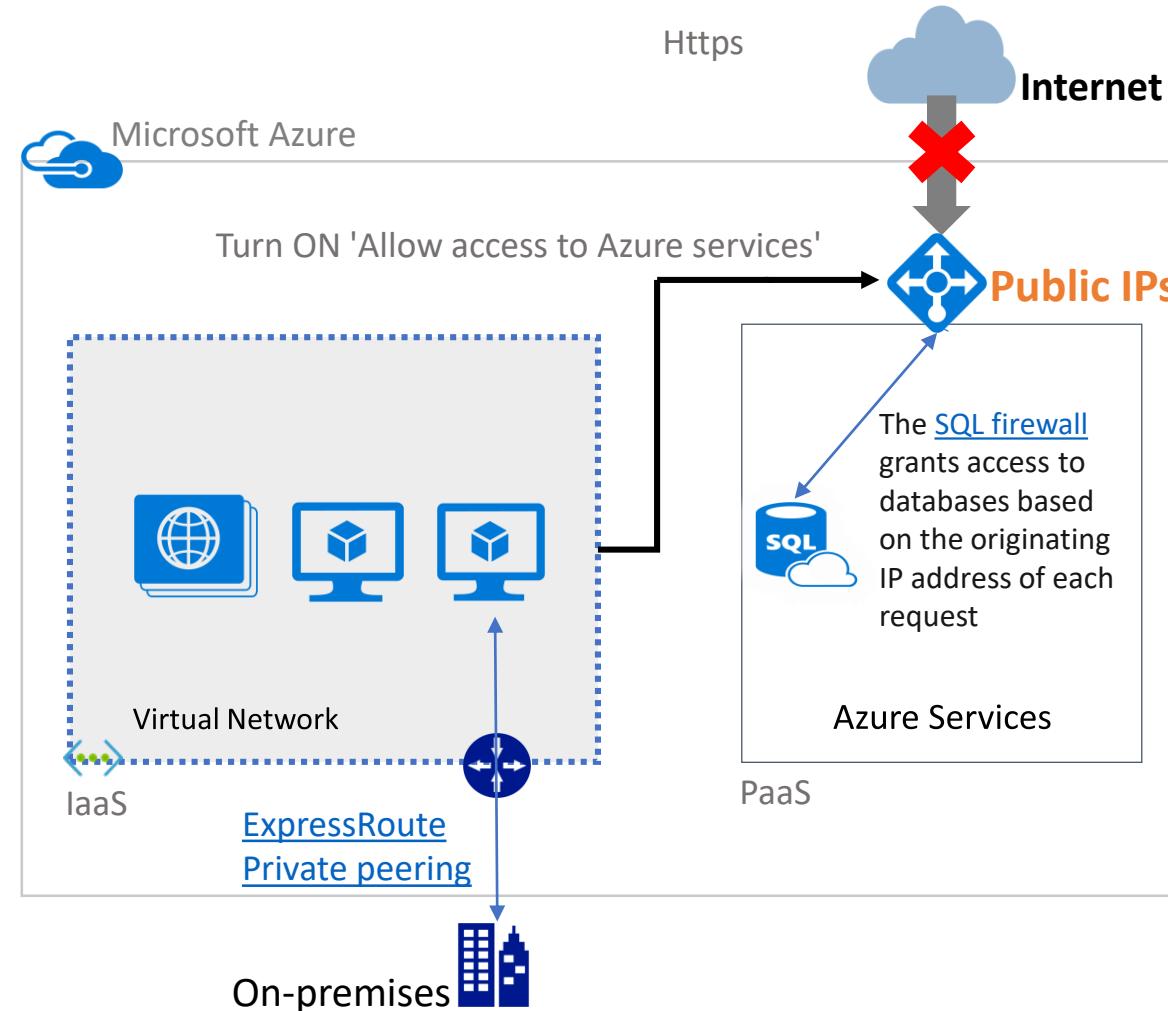


Access Azure SQL from Azure Applications hosted on IaaS

Option 2

The most secure configuration is to set 'Allow access to Azure services' to OFF. If you need to connect to the database from an Azure VM, you should create a Reserved IP and allow only the reserved IP address access through the firewall.

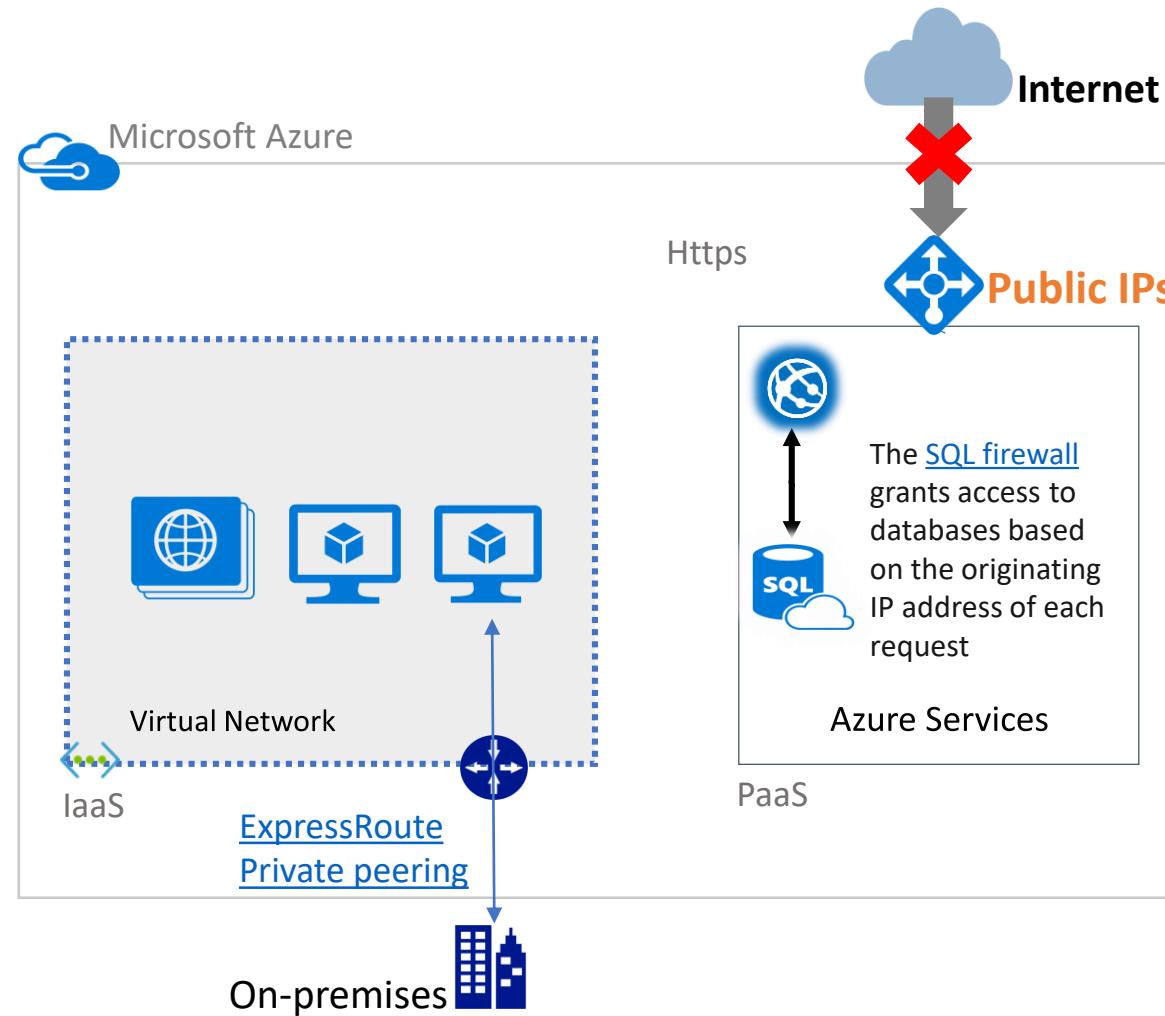
The firewall pane has an ON/OFF button that is labeled Allow access to Azure services. The ON setting allows communications from all Azure IP addresses and all Azure subnets. These Azure IPs or subnets might not be owned by you. This ON setting is probably more open than you want your SQL Database to be. The virtual network rule feature offers much finer granular control



Access Azure SQL from Azure Applications hosted on PaaS

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Private Endpoints

Connectivity to PaaS services using Virtual Networks

From on premises

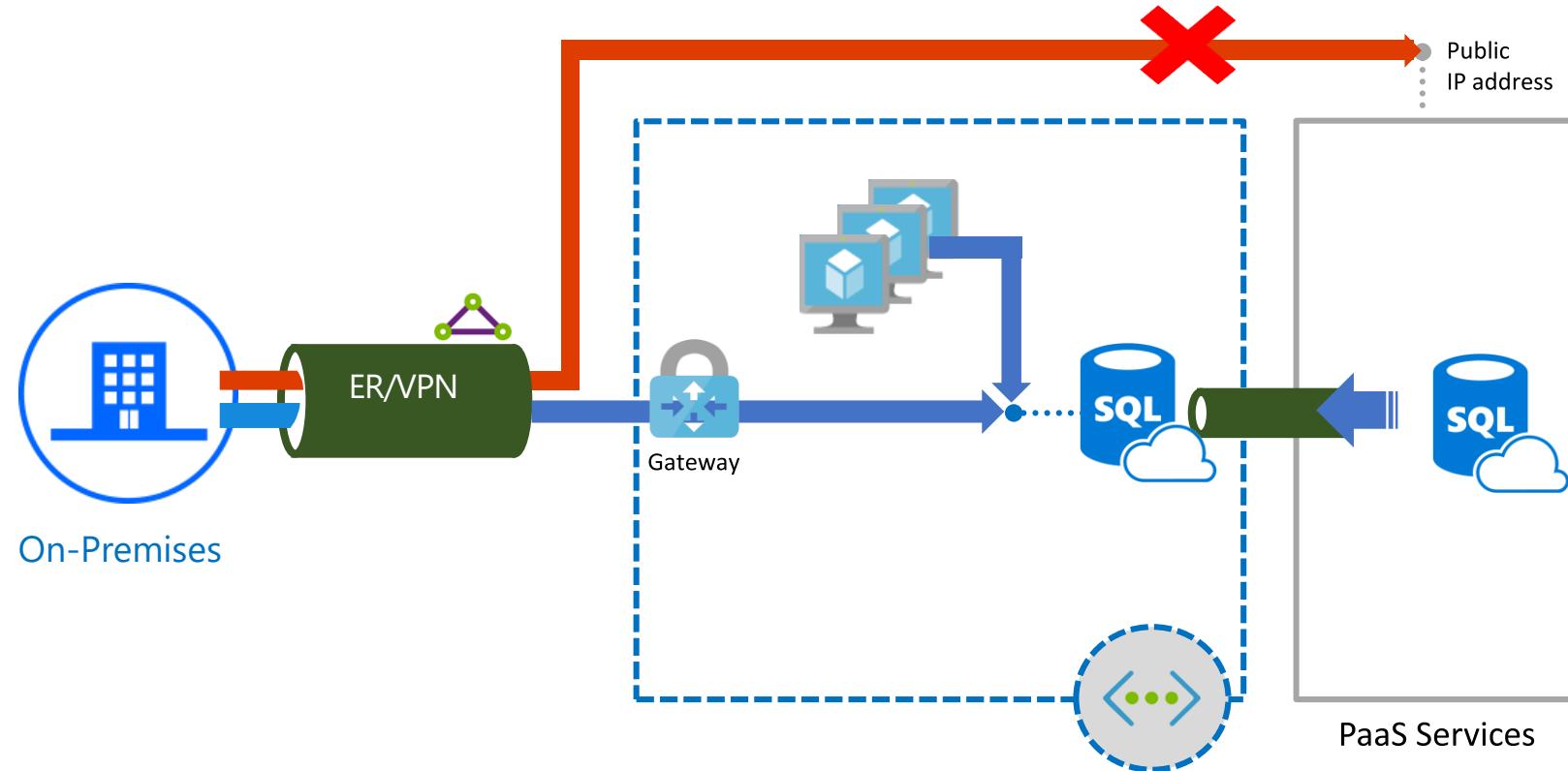
- ✓ Direct connectivity from on premises using ER private peering or VPN tunnels, removing internet traffic.

Within the VNet

- ✓ Connect privately to Azure PaaS resources within your VNet.

Security simplified

- ✓ NSG & Firewall configuration clean within customer address space
- ✓ Predictable IP addresses for PaaS resources

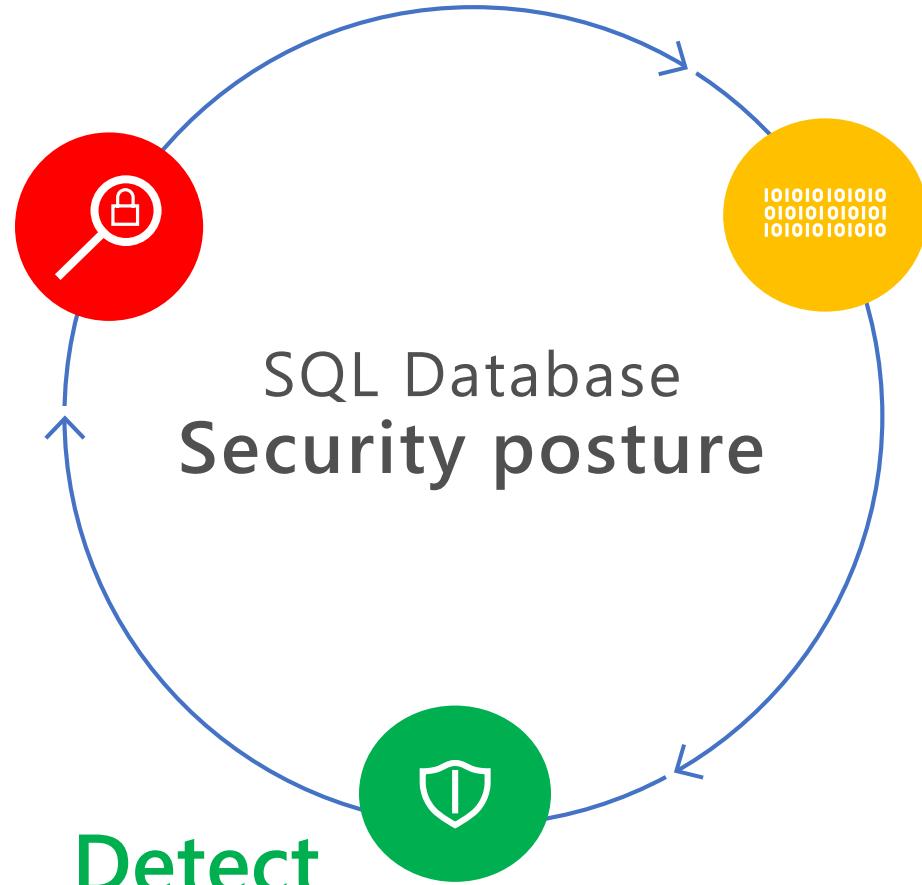


SQL Security Lifecycle

Discover

Security Assessment

- Data Discovery & Classification
- Vulnerability Assessment
- Security recommendations
- Coherent report



Protect

Data Encryption

- Transport Layer Security (transit)
- Transparent Data Encryption (at rest)
- Always Encrypted (in use)

Access Control

- SQL Firewall
- VNET Service Endpoints
- SQL & AAD Authentication
- Multi-factor Authentication
- Row-Level Security
- Dynamic Data Masking
- Static Data Masking (Roadmap)

Threat Protection

- Auditing log
- Threat Detection alert
- Azure Security Center & Azure Log Analytics

Industry-leading security



Information Protection

Encryption in transit
(TLS 1.2 over TDS)

Encryption-at-rest (TDE)

Encryption in use
(Always Encrypted)

Access Management

SQL Permissions

Native VNET Support for
Managed Instance



VNET Service Endpoints



SQL Authentication

Azure Active Directory
Authentication - MFA



Dynamic Data Masking

Row-level Security

Threat Protection

SQL Threat Detection



Auditing



SQL Firewall
(server & database)

Security Management

Data Discovery & Classification

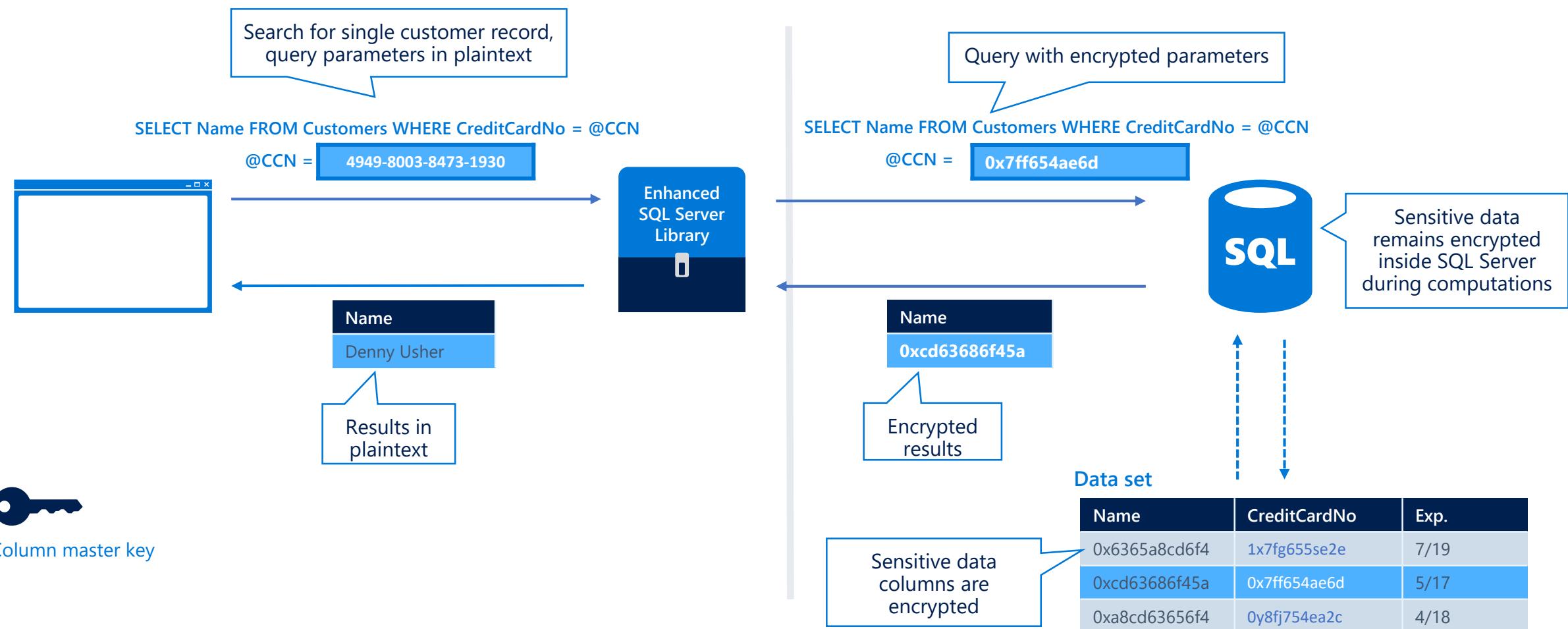
Vulnerability Assessment

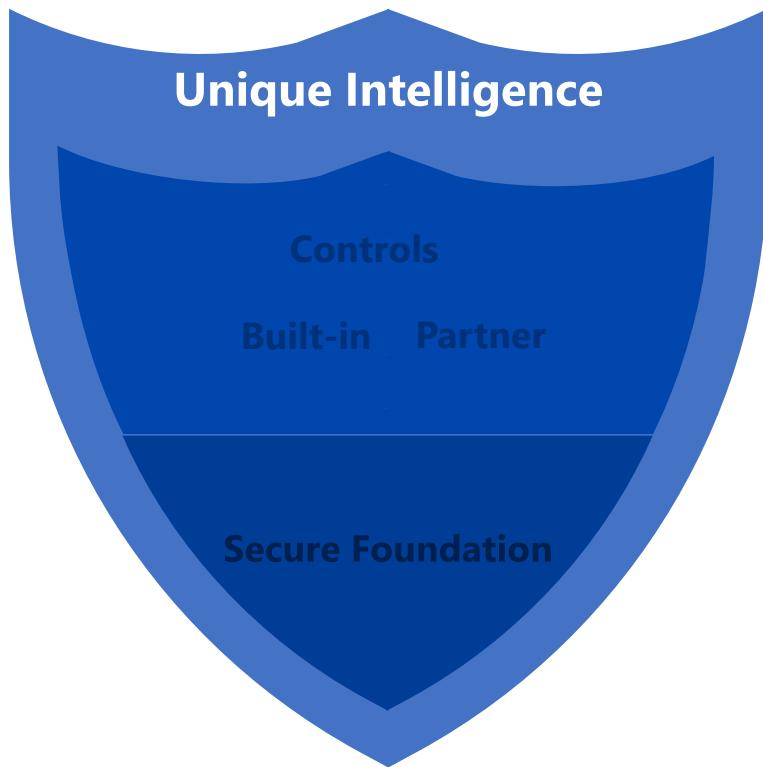
Cloud-only

ENCRYPT DATA IN USE

Protect sensitive data from high-privilege but unauthorized SQL Server users

Always Encrypted





Insights informed by trillions of diverse signals to detect threats faster

1.2B devices scanned each month

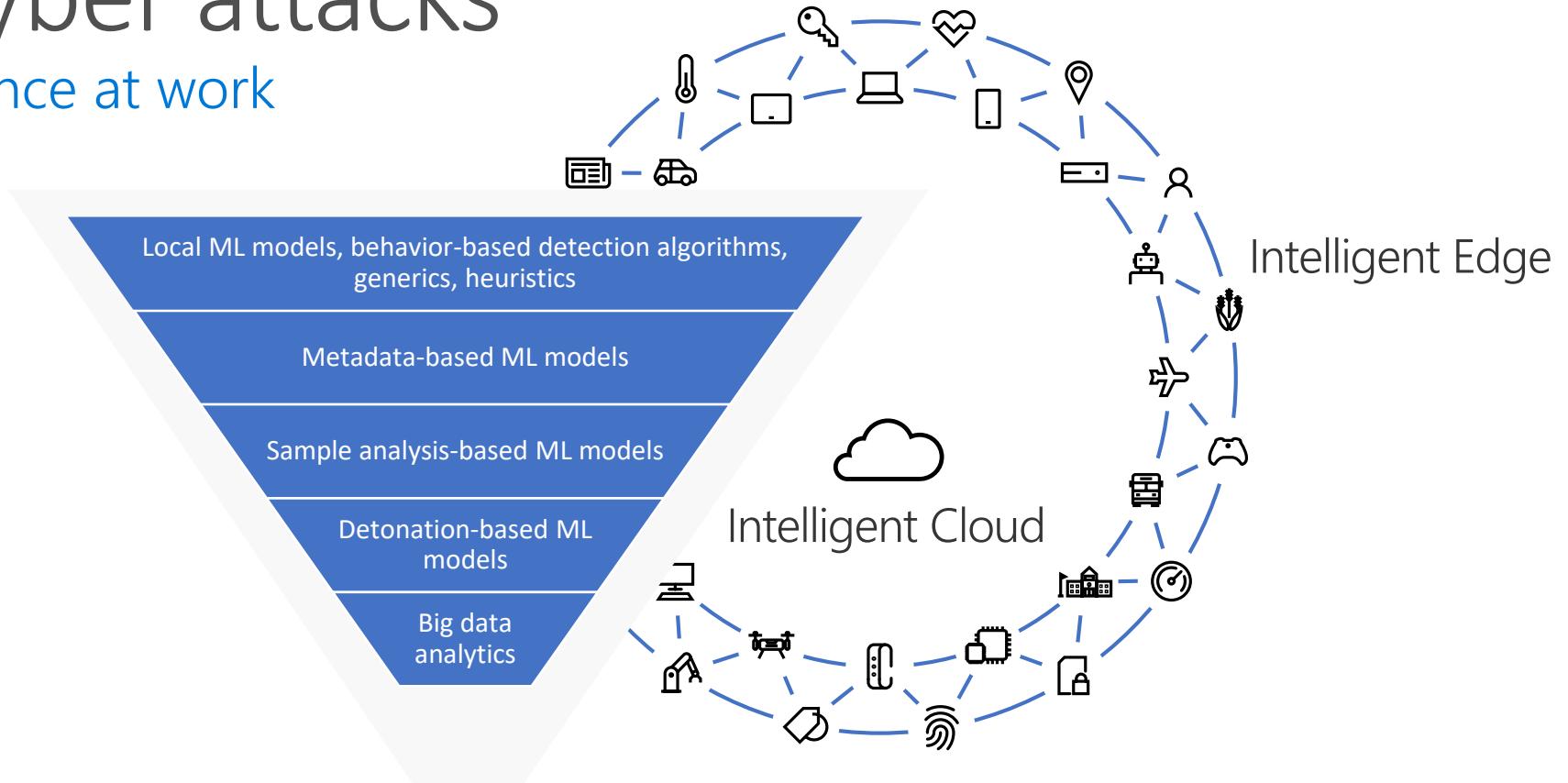
5B threats detected/month

450B monthly authentications

6.5B threat signals analyzed daily

Stopping cyber attacks

Real-world intelligence at work



October 2017 – Cloud-based detonation ML models identified [Bad Rabbit](#), protecting users 14 minutes after the first encounter.

March 6 – Behavior-based detection algorithms blocked more than 400,000 instances of the [Dofol](#) trojan.

2017

February 3 – Client machine learning algorithms automatically stopped the malware attack [Emotet](#) in real time.

August 2018 – Cloud machine learning algorithms blocked a highly targeted campaign to deliver [Ursnif](#) malware to under 200 targets

2018

Unique Intelligence

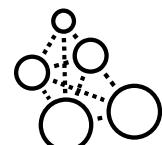
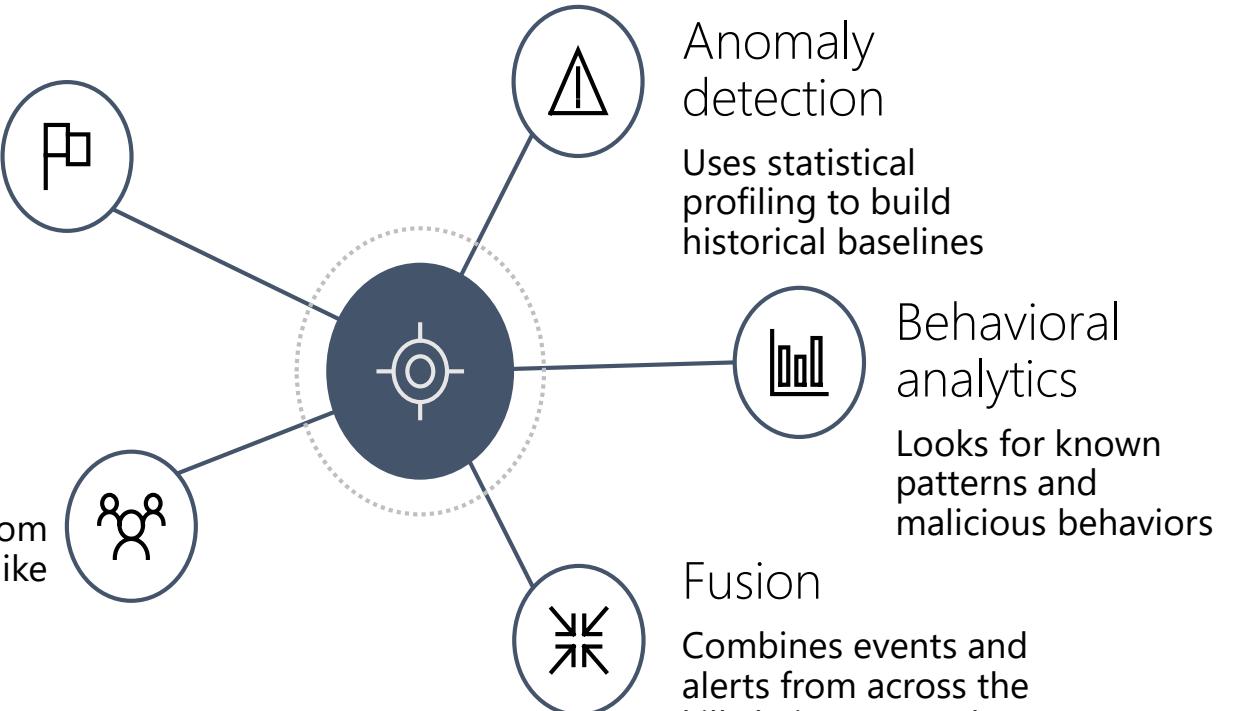
Integrated with Microsoft services

Threat intelligence

Looks for known malicious actors using Microsoft global threat intelligence

Partners

Integrates alerts from partner solutions, like firewalls and antimalware

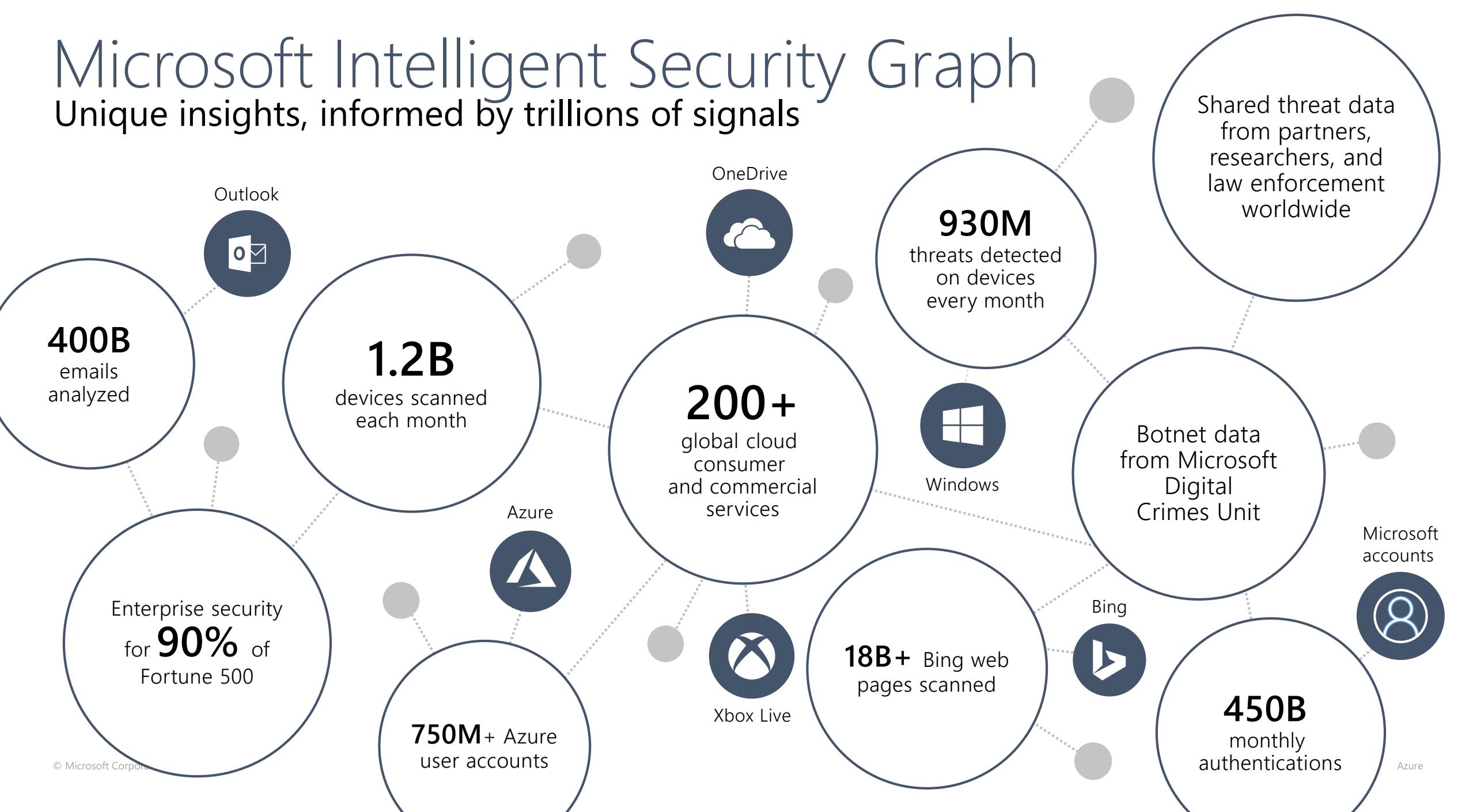


Powered by Microsoft
Intelligent Security Graph



Microsoft Intelligent Security Graph

Unique insights, informed by trillions of signals



SECURING THE PLATFORM

How do we know this works?

EMPOWERING YOU

Natural Disasters



Administration Console

Hardware



Management

DATA
COMPLIANCE

TRUST

Physical Access



Identity
Management



Data Protection

Intrusion & DDoS



Vulnerability Patching
/ Monitoring



RED team vs. BLUE team

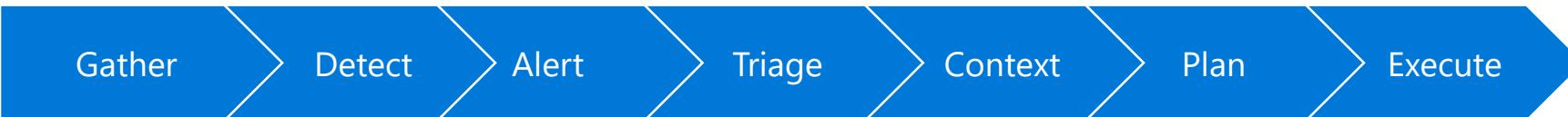
Red Team

- Dedicated adversary performing targeted and persistent attacks against our Microsoft Online Services.
- Attack and penetrate environments using the same steps adversary's kill chain
- Mean Time to Compromise (**MTTC**) + Mean Time to Privilege Escalation (**MTTP**)

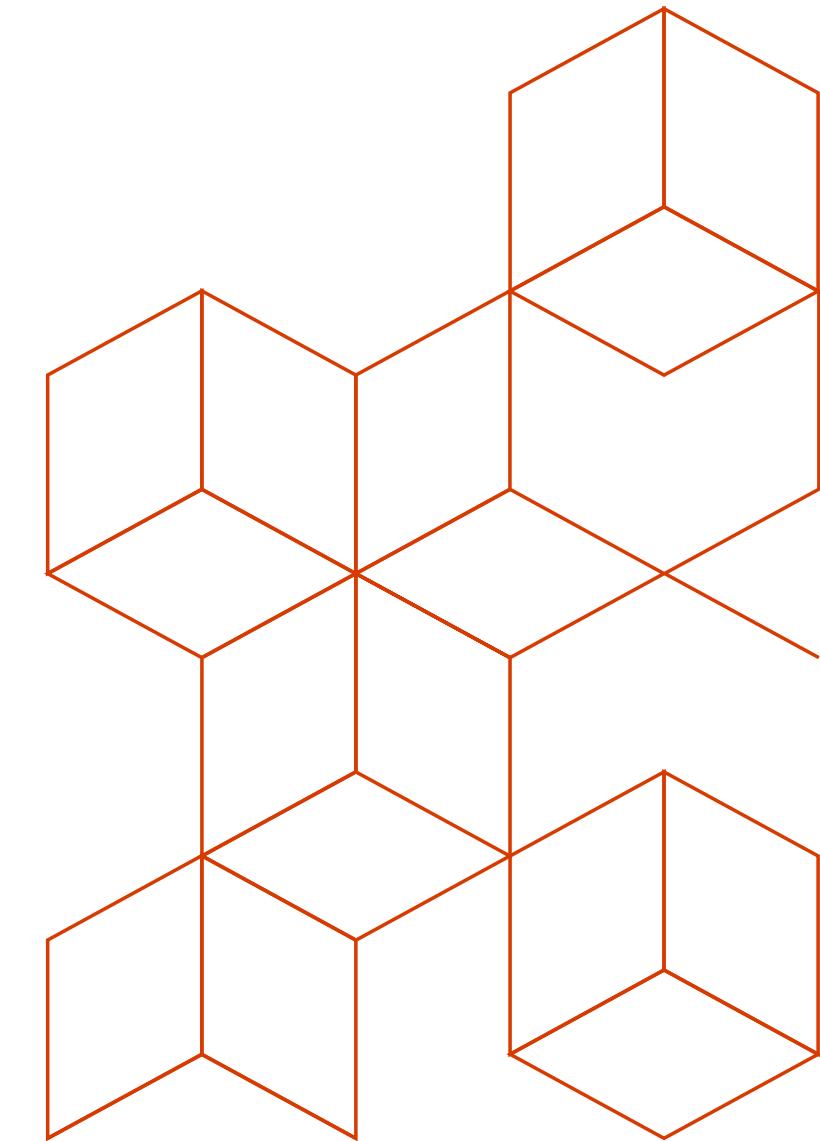
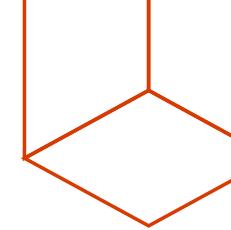
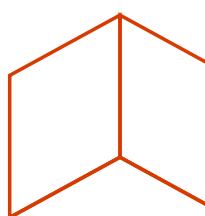


Blue Team

- Dedicated set of security responders or members from across the Security Incident Response, Engineering and Operations organizations.
- Estimated Time to Detection (**ETTD**) + Estimated Time to Recovery (**ETTR**)



A Closer Look at How We Use ML



ML Components

We use supervised learning. Our ML model tells us whether observed data is “similar enough” to attack patterns

Generate Labelled Attack Data

- Used as a historical record of attacks
- Regularly re-generated
- Randomization in terms of attack scenario and scope targeted

Train Model on Labelled Data

- Model consumes labelled and unlabelled data
- Applies algorithms to produce a formula
- Offline training

Publish Model to Real Time Data Processing System

- Real time system processes incoming events
- Model formula published regularly to real time system
- All incoming data evaluated by model

Raise Alerts Based on Model

- Model output is a number between 0 and 1
- If above our threshold, we raise an alert

AttackBot: Generating Labelled Data

We need to know what attacks look like. So we built AttackBot!

AttackBot runs against our service regularly, generating a strong set of labelled data

Some sample AttackBot attack scenarios: data exfiltration, command & control, illicit account creation, HBFW modification... and a lot more



Variety of AttackBot runs against our service – we get a regular supply of labelled attack data this way. The ML models consume this data to build knowledge of what attacks look like

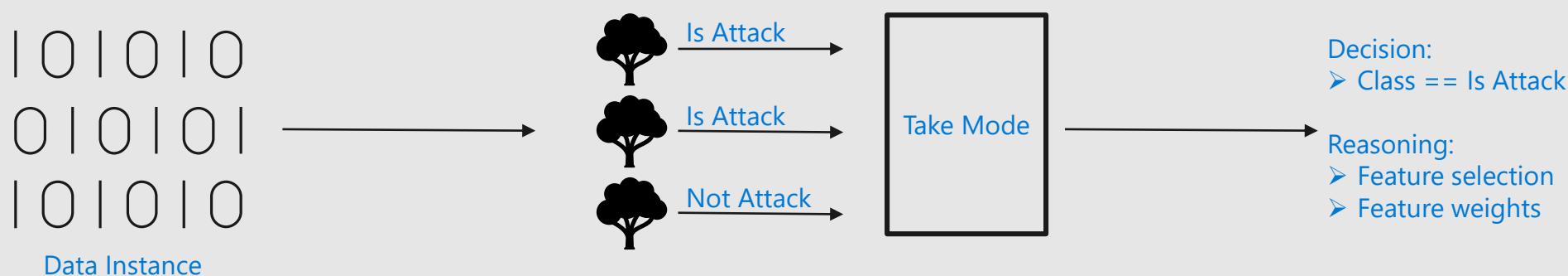
Overview of the model

Model

We use a random forest model and perform cross validation. Random forest algorithms create many decision trees and output the mode of all the decision trees

Advantages

1. Resistant to overfitting making it a robust model for our highly diverse security telemetry.
2. Highly scalable for large volumes of data.
3. Not a black box: Outputs feature selection and associated weights used to make classifications.

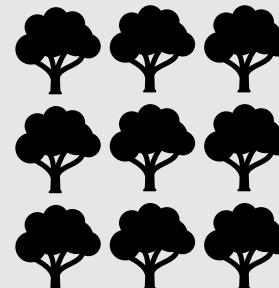


Training the Model

AttackBot generates malicious signals – initial processing logic converts these into model features (detections)

PowershellExploitationMethodNames
RemoteThreadInjection
PowershellEncodedCommand
DataExfilOverLongWindow
ServiceInstalled
C2BasicDetection
... and others

Our random forest model is trained from these true positive detections as well as plenty of benign samples



The model selects and weights features (detections) based on which ones are closely correlated to attacks

Feature	Weight
PowerShellExploitationMethodNames_Max_score	0.315
PowerShellBlacklistEncodedCommand_Max_score	0.1747
PowerShell Encoded Command_Max_score	0.1619
UnusualProcessCreation_Max_probabilityChildProcessGivenParent	0.1379
UnusualProcessCreation_Max_score	0.0582
Audit Currently running process_Max_score	0.0431
UnusualProcessPath_Max_score	0.0381
ServiceInstalled_Max_probabilityServiceInstalledGivenRole	0.024
ServiceInstalled_Max_score	0.0185
MachineAccountWMIPIVOT_Max_score	0.0114
C2BasicDetectionUdp_Max_score	0.0075

Consuming Model Output + Firing Alerts

The model runs against data from 10-minute time windows, outputting a number in [0,1]

When the output exceeds a threshold, we raise an alert

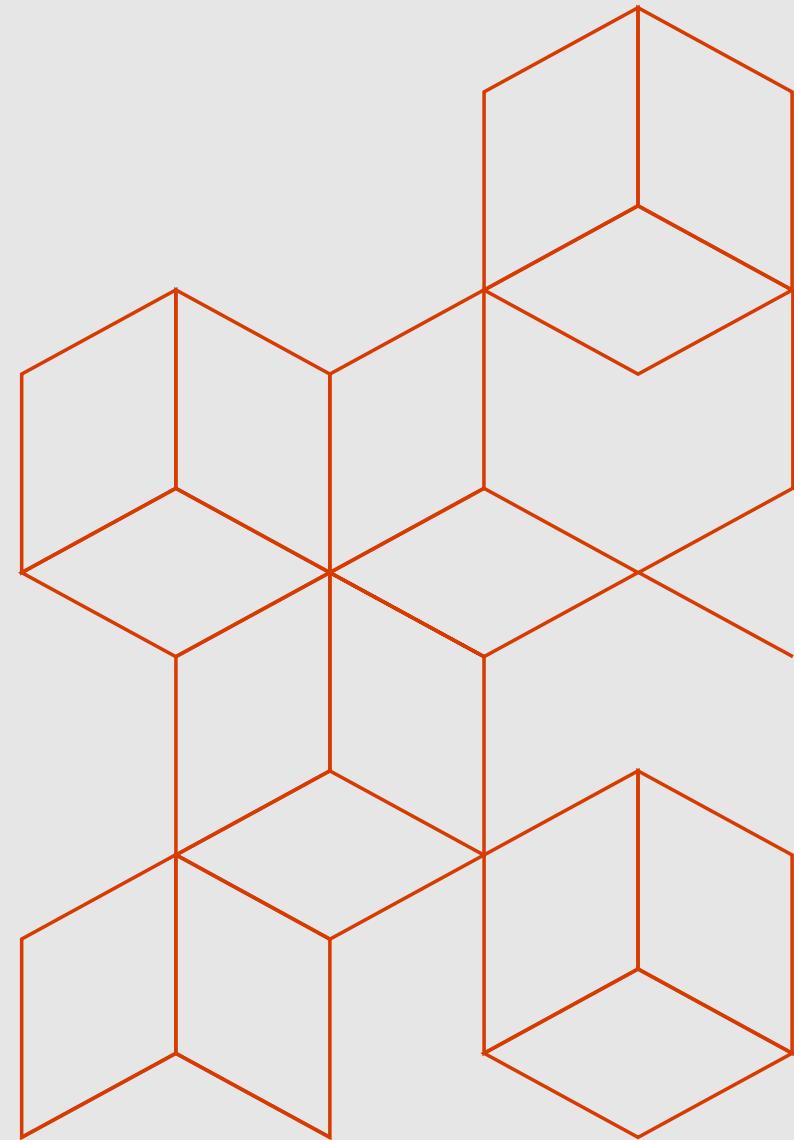
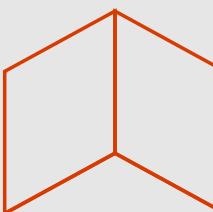
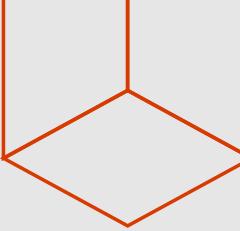
Each alert will contain the feature variables, weights and total scores that contributed to that decision

Scenario	Signals	IsDetected
Egress-ConnectionToChina	PowerShellExploitationMethodNames_C2Stage2Detection_loclpDetection C2BasicDetection NewProcessConnection	1
ICEBreakerRandomExfil	PowerShell Encoded Command PowerShellBlacklistEncodedCommand PowershellObfuscatedCommand loclpDetection DataExfilOverLon...	1
Pivot-WithCredentials	IdsWmiSuspiciousActivity MismatchingMachineAccountProcessStart MachineAccountWMIPivot UnusualProcessCreation locDnsRecord...	1
Egress-ConnectionToChina	RemoteThreadInjection C2BasicDetection loclpDetection StableProcessNewConnection NewProcessConnection	1
Suspicious-Process	RemoteThreadInjection UnusualProcessCreation loclpDetection C2BasicDetection	1
Egress-ConnectionToChina	RemoteThreadInjection loclpDetection C2BasicDetection	1
ICEBreakerRandomExfil	PowerShell Encoded Command PowerShellBlacklistEncodedCommand locDnsRecordDetection locCommandDetection locHostNameDet...	1



Details			
Entity Meta Detection on sinmng01ms104.prdmgt01.prod.exchangelabs.com w/ score 0.92 - Calculation Time: 2018-09-13T13:24:00.806Z			
Scoring Factors:			
Feature	Score	Weight	Weighted Score
C2BasicDetection_Max_treeScore1	1.0	0.2457	0.2457
PowerShellExploitationMethodNames_Max_score	0.0	0.1837	0.0
C2Stage2Detection_Max_score	1.0	0.1184	0.1184
PowerShellBlacklistEncodedCommand_Max_score	0.0	0.1174	0.0
C2BasicDetection_Max_treeScore2	0.9954	0.1068	0.1063
PowerShell Encoded Command_Max_score	0.0	0.0621	0.0
C2BasicDetection_Max_score	0.999	0.0505	0.0504
locProcessNameDetection_Max_score	0.0	0.033	0.0
JIT Account Elevated to System_Max_score	0.0	0.013	0.0
locCommandDetection_Max_score	0.0	0.0125	0.0
MismatchingMachineAccountProcessStart_Max_score	0.0	0.0117	0.0
Audit Currently running process_Max_score	0.0	0.0097	0.0
NewProcessConnection_Max_score	1.0	0.0072	0.0072
UnusualProcessCreation_Max_score	0.999	0.0068	0.0068
TsgBypass_Max_score	0.0	0.0048	0.0
ServiceInstalled_Max_score	0.999	0.0027	0.0027

Takeaways



Securing the Platform

Security Development Lifecycle (SDL)

- ✓ Security Embedded in Planning, Design, Development, & Deployment

Infrastructure security controls

- ✓ Datacenter Security
- ✓ Secure Multi-tenancy
- ✓ Network Protection
- ✓ DDoS Defense
- ✓ Data Segregation
- ✓ Data Protection

Operational security controls

- ✓ Prevent & Assume Breach Strategy
- ✓ Incident Response
- ✓ Access Policy & Controls
- ✓ Threat Detection
- ✓ Forensics

Compliance

- ✓ Strategy
- ✓ Certifications



Empowering You

Security Management

- ✓ Identity & Access
- ✓ Data Control
- ✓ Host Protection
- ✓ Operations Management Suite
- ✓ Azure Security Center

Encryption

- ✓ Key Vault
- ✓ Options for Encryption at Rest
- ✓ Options for Encryption in Transit
- ✓ SQL Encryption
- ✓ Disk Encryption

Secure Networking

- ✓ Network Security Groups
- ✓ VPN
- ✓ ExpressRoute

Partner Solutions

- ✓ Azure Marketplace



Data Control

When a customer utilizes Azure, they own their data

Control over data location

Customers choose data location and replication options.

Control over access to data

Strong authentication, carefully logged “just in time” support access, and regular audits (see Data Control section).

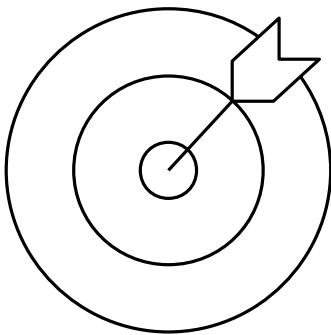
Control over data deletion

When customers delete data or leave Azure, Microsoft follows procedures to render the previous customer’s data inaccessible.

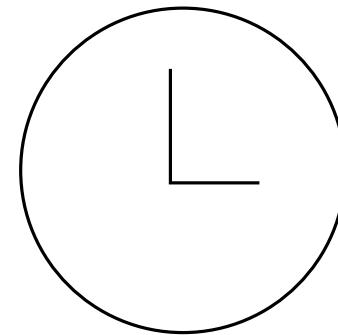
Encryption key management

Customers have the flexibility to generate and manage their own encryption keys (see Encryption section).

Outcomes We've Achieved



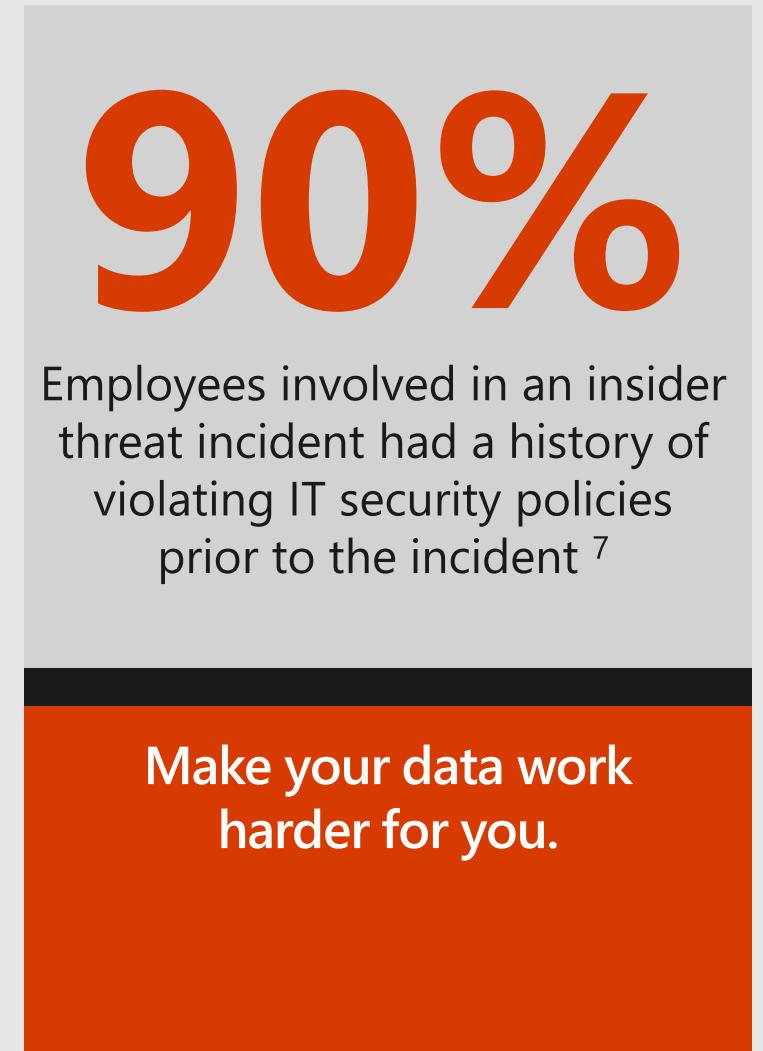
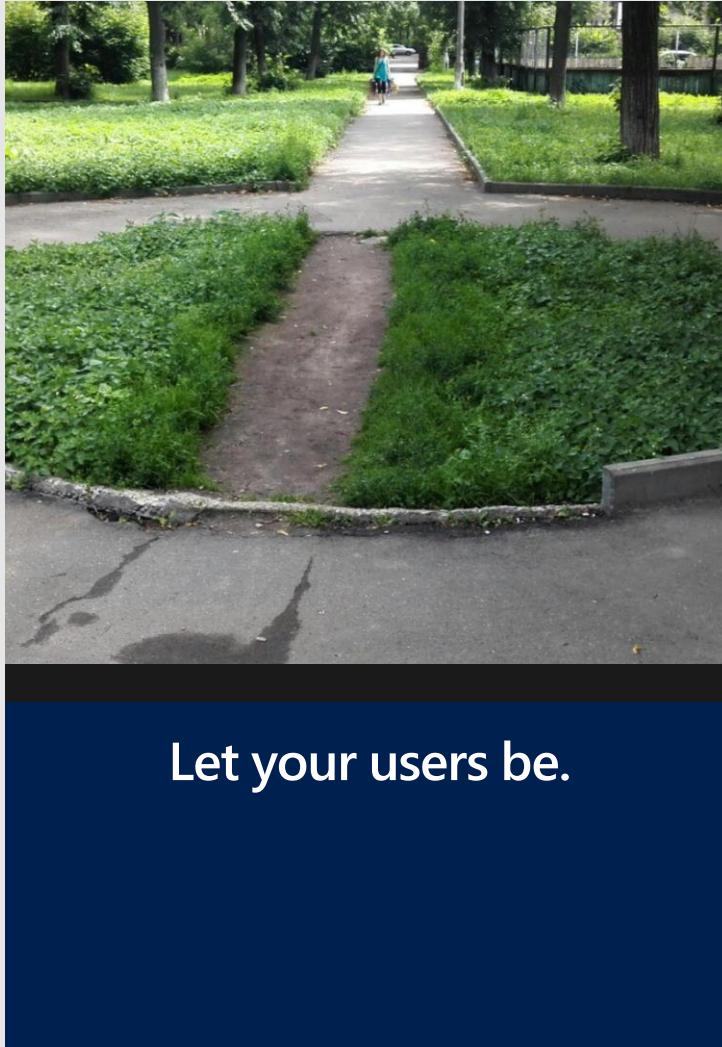
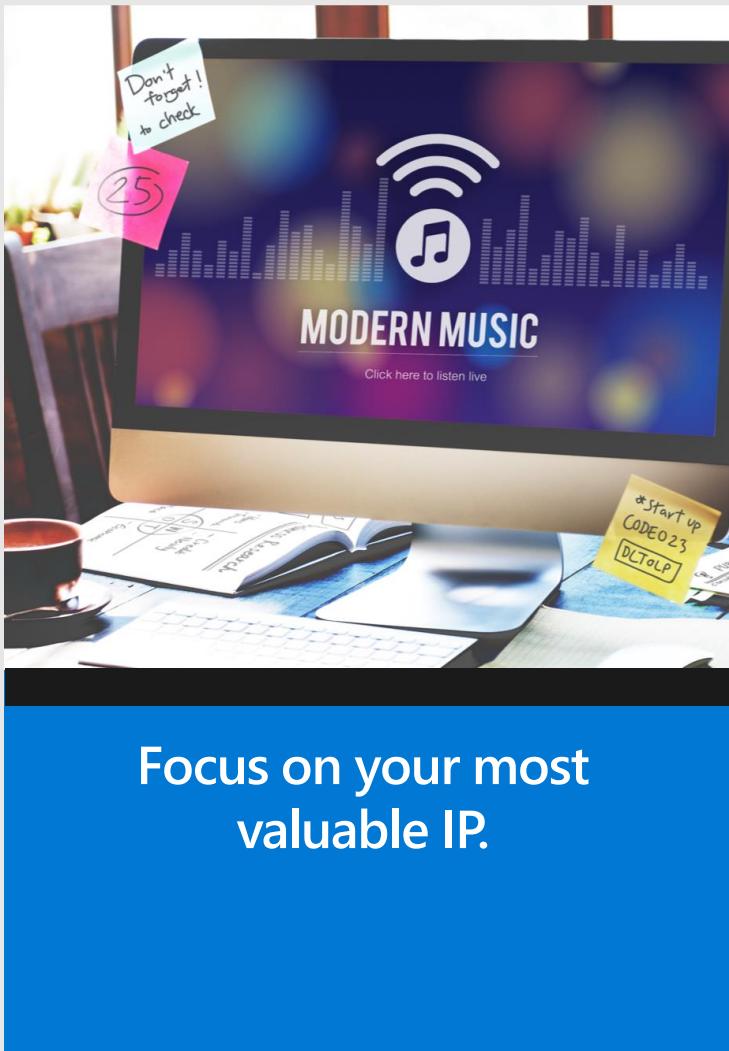
- Alerting accurate enough to page us 24x7 (... yes, this means some alerts at 3am)
- Alerts successfully raised for complex, manual pen tests (not only AttackBot)
- Alerts indicate the specific factors that figured most prominently – enabling remediation



- ML alerts fire within 15 minutes of attack behavior – major improvement over manual investigation
- Model re-trained and published regularly, ensuring that we keep up with environmental changes

We Hope You Remember...

- Microsoft invests heavily in securing the infrastructure that hosts customer data
- In addition to traditional security methods, we use state of the art techniques to make sure we catch and stop attackers at scale
- We never stop innovating and improving: models themselves adapt to the environment, and we are pushing the envelope with new models and techniques



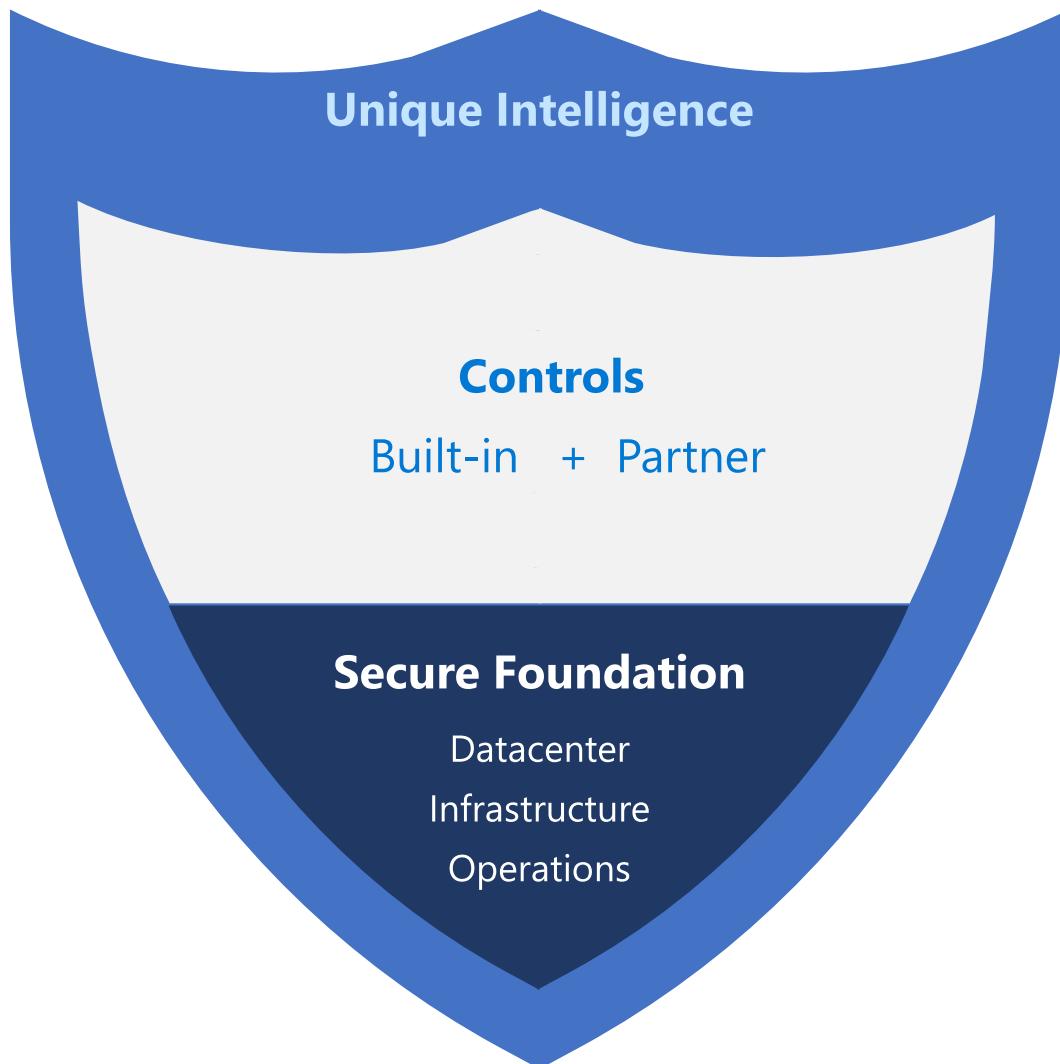
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