# Working with Azure Cosmos DB – Cassandra API



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### Overview



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Benefits of using Azure Cosmos DB Cassandra API

Provisioning a new Cosmos DB Cassandra API instance

Interact with Cosmos DB Cassandra API

- .NET SDK
- Data Explorer

Demo: working with Cosmos DB Cassandra API



"Apache Cassandra is a free and open-source, distributed, wide column store, NoSQL database..."

Wikipedia



#### Wide Column Store



A wide column store is a type of NoSQL database



Unlike a relational database, the names and format of the columns can vary from row to row in the same table



Apache Cassandra, Hbase and Azure Tables



#### Azure Cosmos DB Cassandra API



Cosmos DB Cassandra API can be used as the data store for apps written for Apache Cassandra



Existing Cassandra applications using CQLv4 compliant drivers, can communicate with the Cosmos DB Cassandra API



Switch from Apache Cassandra to Cosmos DB Cassandra API by just updating the connection string



Use the CQL, Cassandra-based tools and Cassandra client drivers you're already familiar with



## Benefit of Using Cosmos DB Cassandra API

No operations management (PaaS)

Use existing code and tools

Global distribution and availability

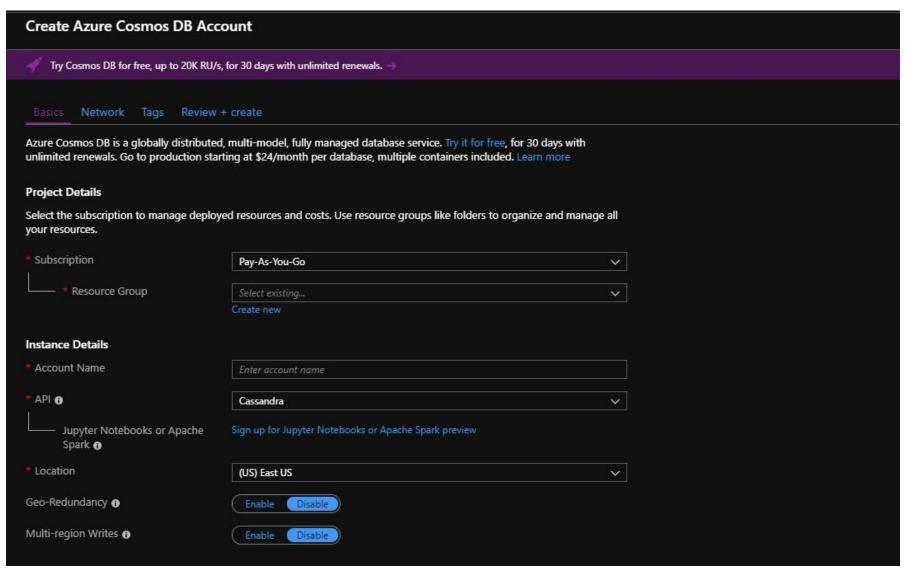
Low latency reads and writes

Throughput and storage elasticity

Choice of five well-defined consistency levels



# Provisioning Cosmos DB Cassandra API





## Interact with Cosmos DB Cassandra API

Cassandra-based tools (e.g. cqlsh)

Data Explorer

Programmatically, using the SDK (CassandraCSharpDriver)



#### Demo



Provisioning a new instance of Cosmos DB Cassandra API using the Portal

Working with Cosmos DB Cassandra API using the .NET SDK and Data Explorer



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