Service Fabric & Containers

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Modernisation is a spectrum

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Traditional app

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Monolith Hosted as guest executable or container

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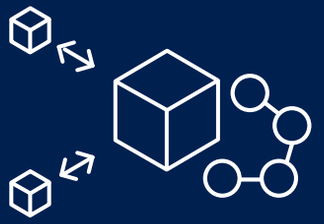

Existing Monolith + new microservices

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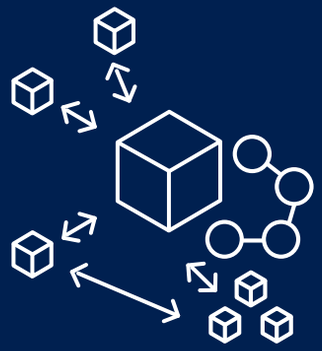

Parts of existing monolith extracted

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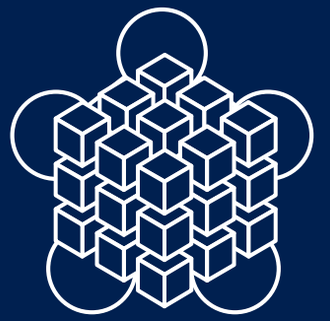


New or transformed microservices app

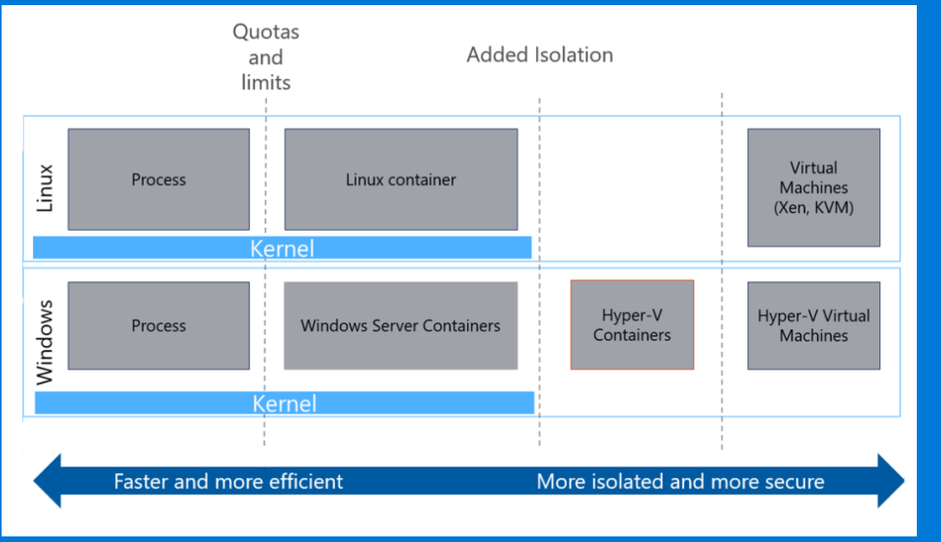
What does it mean for .NET dveelopers?

Service Fabric programming models:

- Low level API for stateless and stateful services
- Guest executables
- Containers

Service Fabric supports containers on Windows Server 2016

- Along with support for Hyper-V isolation mode



Ideal targets:

- ASP.NET MVC (when App Services not suitable)
- Traditional 3-tier apps
- Azure Cloud Services (Classic)

Either:

- Package into container images from pre-created IIS images
- Move source code to ASP.NET Core with lightweight Nano Server image

Note: Nano Server only available as container bases image as of version 1709

- Optimized for .NET Core applications
- Smaller than the Windows Server 2016 version
  - microsoft/aspnetcore nanoserver: **447 MB**
  - microsoft/aspnet windowservercore: **13.5 GB**

Smilr and MVC

Classic ASP.NET app:

- C# MVC Web API
- ADO.NET to SQL Server

My changes:

- Recompiled C# to ASP.NET Core
  - Enabled use of smaller container images
- Moved data Azure SQL Database
  - No changes needed other than connections string

HTTP

```
List<FeedbackOut> feedbackArray = new List<FeedbackOut>();
try
{
    // never use string building like this in the real world as it opens you to sql injection attacks etc
    string tsql = @"SELECT Id, Event, Topic, Rating, Comment FROM Feedback WHERE Event = '" +eventid+ "' AN

    using (var connection = new SqlConnection(cb.ConnectionString))
    {
        connection.Open();
        using (var command = new SqlCommand(tsql, connection))
        {
            using (SqlDataReader reader = command.ExecuteReader())
            {
                while (reader.Read())
                {
                    FeedbackOut feedback = new FeedbackOut();
                    feedback.id = reader.GetInt32(0);
                    feedback.Event = (reader.GetString(1)).Trim();
                    feedback.topic = reader.GetInt32(2);
                    feedback.rating = reader.GetInt32(3);
                    feedback.comment = reader.GetString(4);
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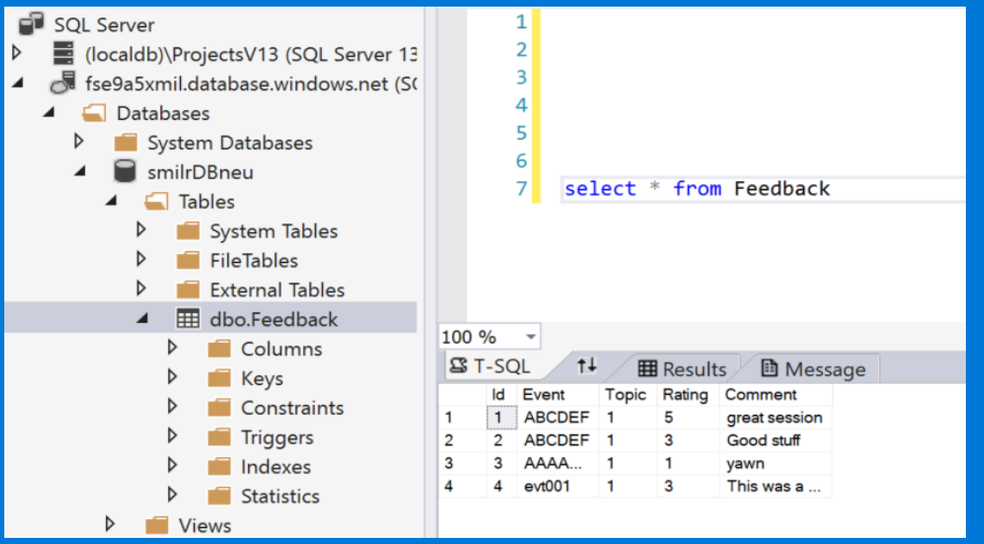
ADO



Visual Studio Support

Simplifies working with Docker

- Creates your Dockerfile as part of the project
- Uses containers for both build and deploy
  - microsoft/aspnetcore-build
  - microsoft/aspnetcore
- Pushes to Azure Container Registry