



# Azure Data Studio Extension Development

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Extension Developer:  
First Responder Kit  
Query Editor Boost



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# Agenda



1. Why Develop an Extension?
2. Extension Development Framework\*
3. Building Extension Features\*
4. Package and Publish\*
5. Wrap Up

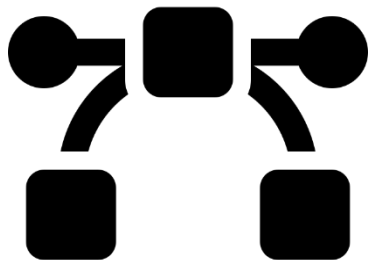
\*Demo interspersed in 2-4

# Why Develop an Extension?



Improve Your  
Workflow

Enterprise process  
Specific shortcut



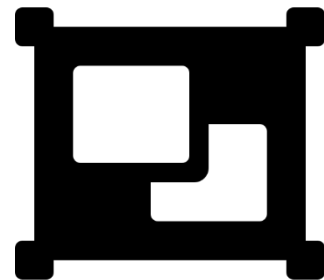
Share with the  
SQL Community

Better tools  
Best practices



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Comfort Zone

Development  
related to data  
platform

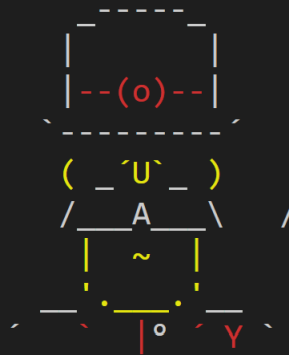


# Extension *Types*

## Chose One for a Template:

- TypeScript/JavaScript
- Dashboard Insight
- Color Theme
- Code Snippets
- Keymap
- Extension Pack
- Language Pack

```
PS C:\Users\drewk> yo azuredatstudio
```



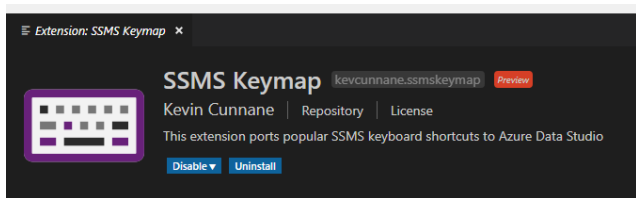
Welcome to the Azure  
Data Studio Extension  
generator!

```
? What type of extension do you want to create?  
> New Extension (TypeScript)  
New Extension (JavaScript)  
New Dashboard Insight  
New Color Theme  
New Code Snippets  
New Keymap  
New Extension Pack  
(Move up and down to reveal more choices)
```

# Type Examples

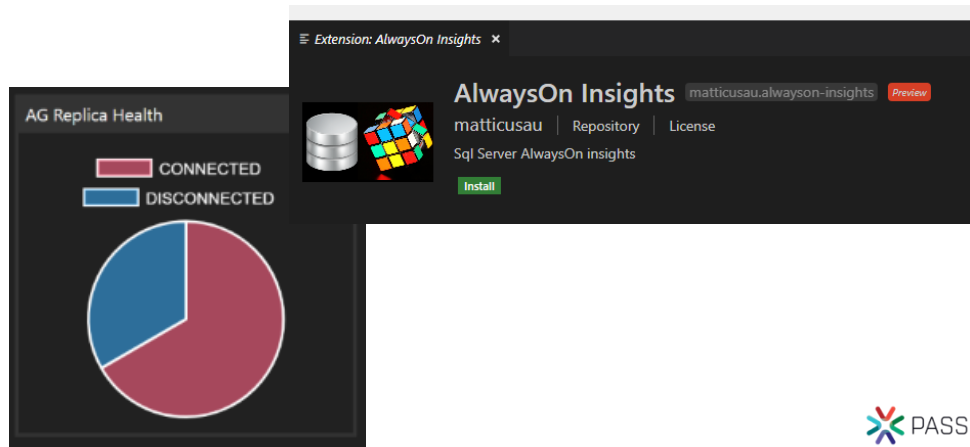
## Keymap

Ties keystrokes to commands



## Dashboard/Insight

Packaged visualizations for database or server dashboards

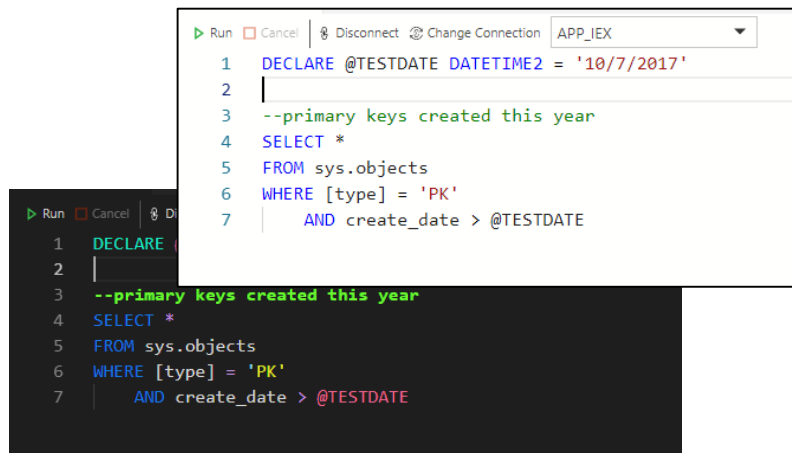




# Type Examples

## Color Theme

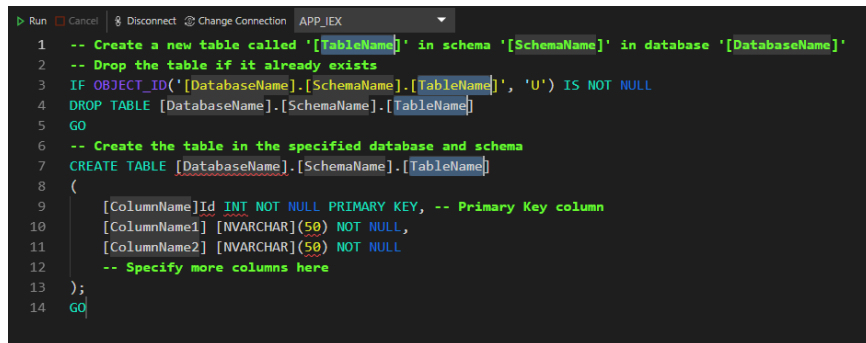
Editor color customization



```
1 DECLARE @TESTDATE DATETIME2 = '10/7/2017'
2
3 --primary keys created this year
4 SELECT *
5 FROM sys.objects
6 WHERE [type] = 'PK'
7 AND create_date > @TESTDATE
```

## Snippets

Packaged TSQL with tabstops



```
1 -- Create a new table called '[TableName]' in schema '[SchemaName]' in database '[DatabaseName]'
2 -- Drop the table if it already exists
3 IF OBJECT_ID('[DatabaseName].[SchemaName].[TableName]', 'U') IS NOT NULL
4 DROP TABLE [DatabaseName].[SchemaName].[TableName]
5 GO
6 -- Create the table in the specified database and schema
7 CREATE TABLE [DatabaseName].[SchemaName].[TableName]
8 (
9 [ColumnName]Id INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY, -- Primary Key column
10 [ColumnName1] [NVARCHAR](50) NOT NULL,
11 [ColumnName2] [NVARCHAR](50) NOT NULL
12 -- Specify more columns here
13 );
14 GO
```

# Type Examples

## Extension Pack

Admin Pack for SQL Server is a collection of extensions that you will download the following

- [SQL Server Agent](#)
  - List SQL Server Agent Jobs
  - View Job History with details
  - Basic Job Control tasks
- [SQL Server Profiler](#)
  - Browse through extended events
  - View and manage extended events
  - Filter search of events
- [SQL Server Import](#)
  - Use the Import Flat File Wizard
- [SQL Server dacpac](#)
  - Use the Data-Tier Application Wizard

## TypeScript/JavaScript

`sp_executesql`

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SQL

**sp\_executesql to SQL**

Pejman Nikram | Repository

Convert sp\_executesql to sql

Install



**Combine Scripts**

Bateleur IO | Repository

Create a single combined script

Install



# Extension Development Framework



# Your Prerequisites

## Workstation OS

Windows, Mac, or Linux OS

*\*ChromeOS*

## Knowledge Requirements

Beginner Git

Beginner TypeScript  
*or Similar Language*

# System Prerequisites

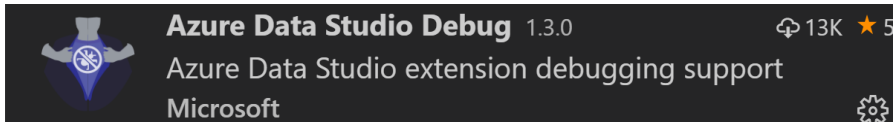
## Applications

[VS Code](#)

[Azure Data Studio Debug](#)

(extension for VS Code)

[Azure Data Studio](#)



## Development Tools

[Git](#)

[NodeJS](#)



# Checking Installs

## Powershell

```
PS C:\Users\drewk> git --version  
git version 2.22.0.windows.1
```

```
PS C:\Users\drewk> node -v  
v10.16.0
```

## Bash

```
drewsk@drewsk-2018:~$ git --version  
git version 2.17.1  
drewsk@drewsk-2018:~$
```

```
drewsk@drewsk-2018:~$ nodejs -v  
v8.10.0  
drewsk@drewsk-2018:~$
```

You don't need command line experience to get started with extension development.

# System Prerequisites

## Install Through *npm*

- TypeScript
  - JavaScript with type checking + more
- Yeoman Extension Generator
  - *yo*
  - Open source extension template builder
- VS Code Extension Manager
  - *vsce*
  - Packages extension into .vsix for installing into Azure Data Studio

```
npm install -g typescript
```

```
npm install -g yo azuredatastudio
```

```
npm install -g vsce
```

DEMO

# Let's Build an Extension

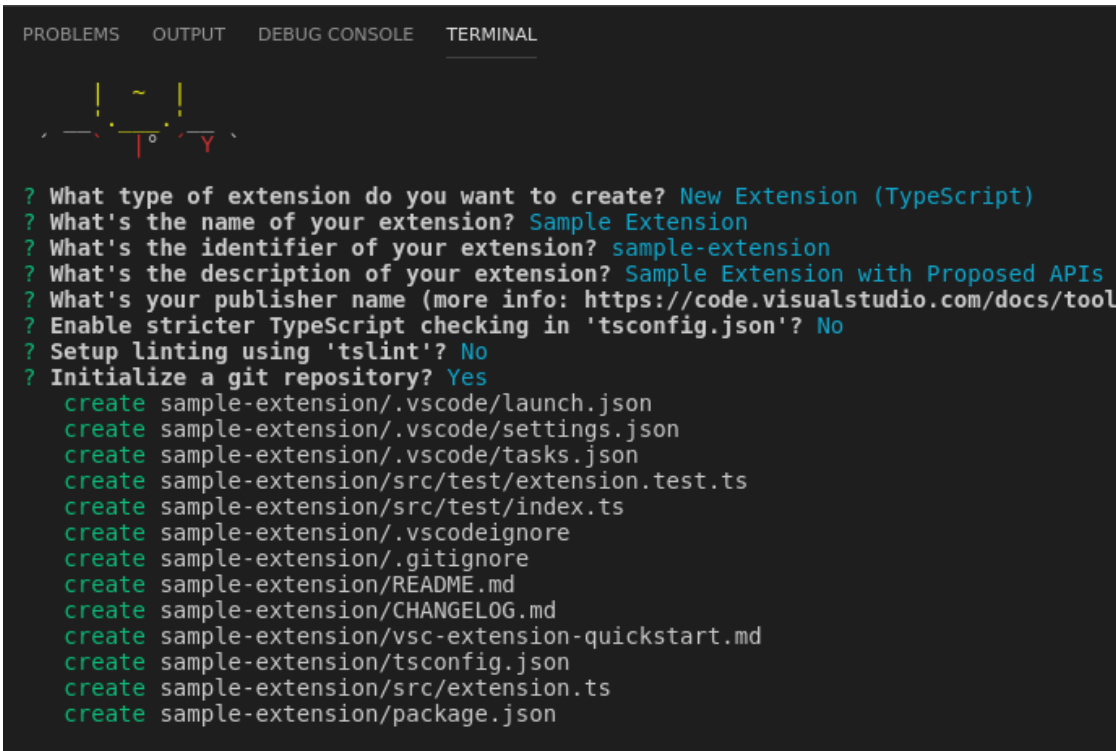




# Yo

## *yo azuredatastudio*

- For this sample, leave the *TypeScript Extension* selection
- Enter a name, identifier, description, and your publishing name
- Decline stricter checking and linting
- Select the initialization of a Git repository



```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
? What type of extension do you want to create? New Extension (TypeScript)
? What's the name of your extension? Sample Extension
? What's the identifier of your extension? sample-extension
? What's the description of your extension? Sample Extension with Proposed APIs
? What's your publisher name (more info: https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/tool
? Enable stricter TypeScript checking in 'tsconfig.json'? No
? Setup linting using 'tslint'? No
? Initialize a git repository? Yes
create sample-extension/.vscode/launch.json
create sample-extension/.vscode/settings.json
create sample-extension/.vscode/tasks.json
create sample-extension/src/test/extension.test.ts
create sample-extension/src/test/index.ts
create sample-extension/.vscodeignore
create sample-extension/.gitignore
create sample-extension/README.md
create sample-extension/CHANGELOG.md
create sample-extension/vsc-extension-quickstart.md
create sample-extension/tsconfig.json
create sample-extension/src/extension.ts
create sample-extension/package.json
```

# Demo Outline

## We're Going to Explore:

- Activation events: when the extension is “started”, code entry point
- Contribution points: additions to the application interface
- VS Code APIs + Azure Data Studio APIs
- Alternative NodeJS packages
- *Extended extension architecture*

# Initial Extension Files

```
.
├── .vscode
│   ├── launch.json
│   └── tasks.json
├── .gitignore
├── README.md
├── src
│   └── extension.ts
├── package.json
└── tsconfig.json
```

.vscode folder controls how VS Code interacts with the project

README.md stores documentation

**Extension.ts contains code entry point(s)**

**Package.json = Extension Manifest**

# Package.json

## Activation Events

```
13     ],  
14     "activationEvents": [  
15         "onCommand:extension.sayHello",  
16         "onCommand:extension.showCurrentConnection"  
17     ],  
18     "main": "out/extension"
```

When the extension is loaded – consumes CPU/memory

- onCommand
- workspaceContains
- onFileSystem
- onView
- \* *(only when necessary)*

# Package.json

## Contribution Points

*Commands*

*Configuration*

Menu

*Keybindings*

Themes

Snippets

Dashboard

Container

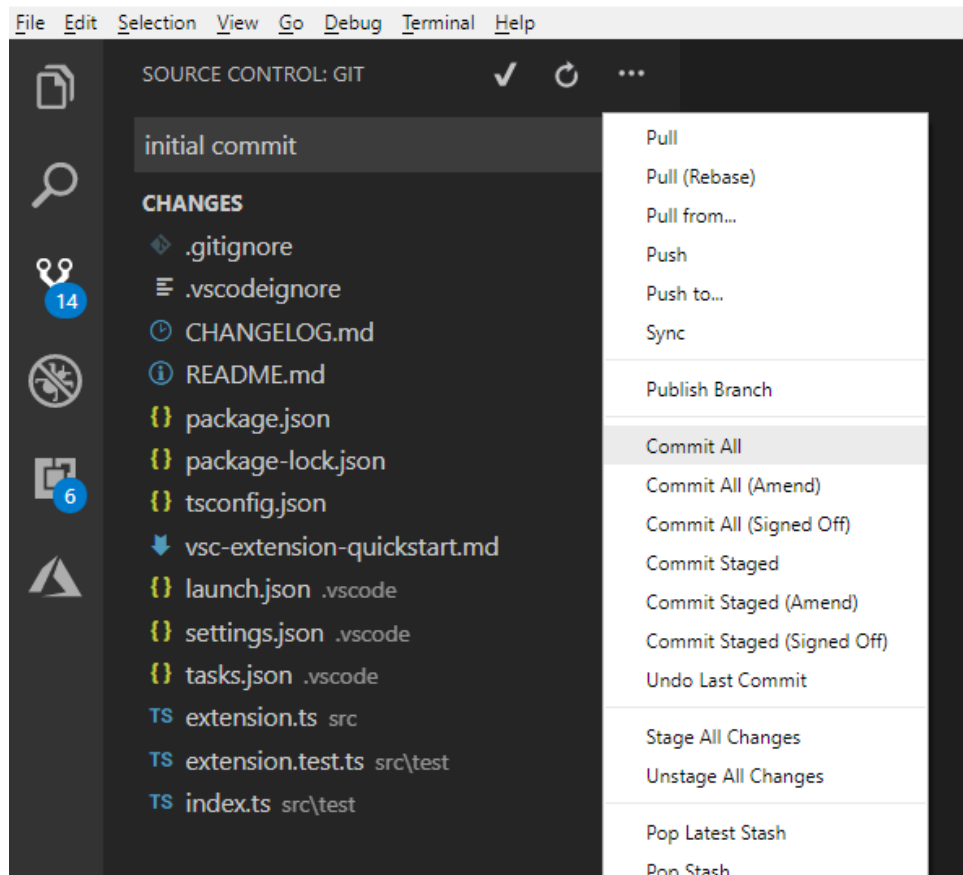
```
"contributes": {
  "commands": [ ...
  ],
  "keybindings": [ ...
  ],
  "configuration": [
    {
      "title": "NewQueryTemplate",
      "properties": {
        "newquerytemplate.DefaultQueryTemplate": {
          "type": "array",
          "default": [
            "--set a default new query template with",
            "",
            ""
          ],
          "description": "Query text to insert into n
        },
        "newquerytemplate.DefaultQueryLine": {
          "type": "number",
          "default": -1
        },
        "newquerytemplate.DefaultQueryCharacter": {
          "type": "number",
          "default": -1
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

# Initial Commit

- Open the folder for your extension in VS Code
- Stage and Commit all changes

Optional:

- Create a repository on GitHub without initializing
- Run command to add Git remote in VS Code

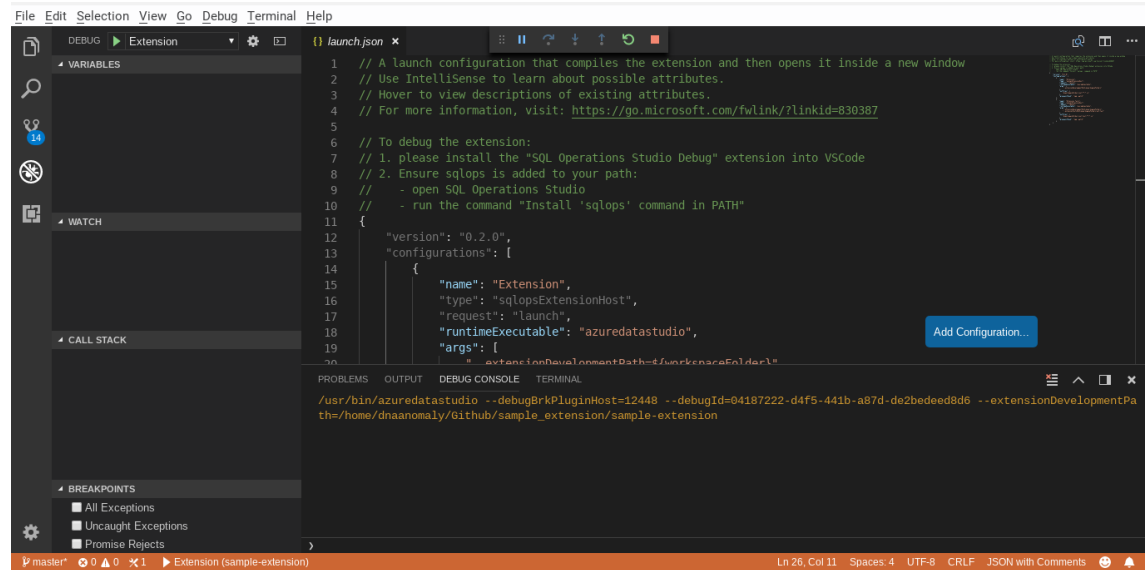


# Test Extension

## Select Start Debugging from the Debug menu

A special *Extension Development* instance of ADS opens

Test the extension from the command palette (ctrl+shift+P)





# Building Extension Features





# Azure Data Studio APIs

## A few examples...



### connection

ConnectionProfile

getCurrentConnection()

ServerInfo

### objectexplorer

NodeInfo

Traverse object tree

findNodes()

# Azure Data Studio APIs



## DataProvider extends to:

ConnectionProvider – server connections

MetadataProvider – object info

ScriptingProvider – “script as”

QueryProvider – execute queries

ProfilerProvider – extended events

AgentServicesProvider – SQL agent

BackupProvider – backup and restore

<https://github.com/microsoft/azuredatstudio/blob/master/src/sql/azdata.d.ts>

# Let's Try It.

How many downvotes does the StackOverflow user with the most downvotes have?

We need to run a command that pulls some data from the database.

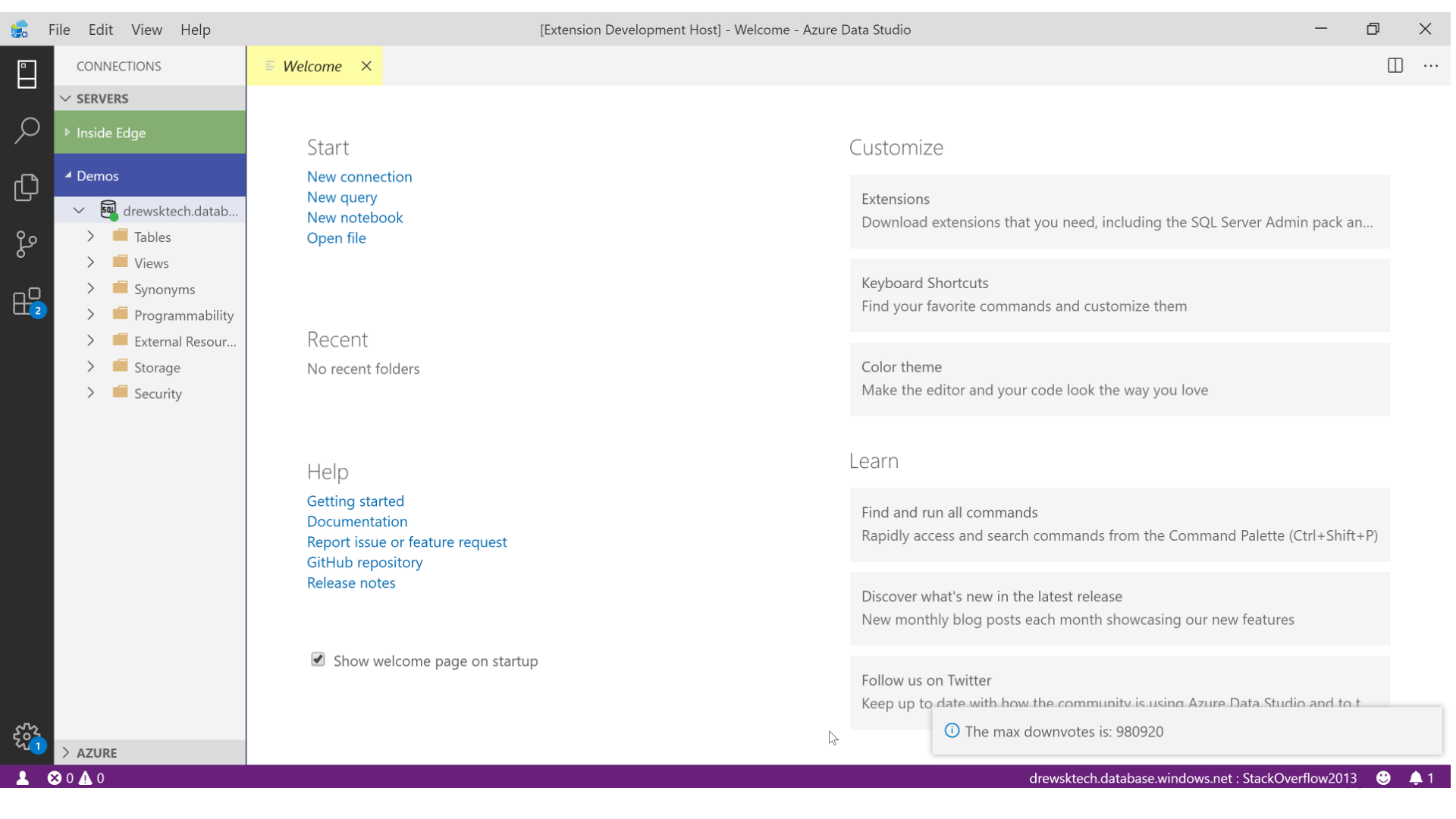
1. Get the current connection
2. Setup the query
3. Display the results to the user

# extension.ts

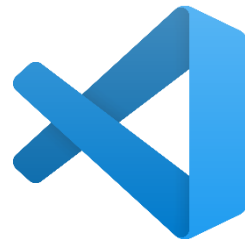
```
29
30 context.subscriptions.push(vscode.commands.registerCommand('extension.getDown', async () => {
31     let connection = await azdata.connection.getCurrentConnection();
32     let connectId = connection.connectionId;
33     if (connection && connectId) {
34         let query = `SELECT MAX(DOWNVOTES) AS DOWNVOTES FROM USERS`;
35
36         let connectionUri = await azdata.connection.getUriForConnection(connectId);
37         let queryProvider = azdata.dataprotocol.getProvider<azdata.QueryProvider>(connection.providerId,
            azdata.DataProviderType.QueryProvider);
38
39         let results = await queryProvider.runQueryAndReturn(connectionUri, query);
40         let cell = results.rows[0][0];
41
42         let downvotes = cell.displayValue;
43         vscode.window.showInformationMessage('The max downvotes is: '+downvotes);
44     }
45 });|
```

# package.json

```
13     ],
14     "activationEvents": [
15         "onCommand:extension.sayHello",
16         "onCommand:extension.showCurrentConnection",
17         "onCommand:extension.getDown"
18     ],
19     "main": "./out/extension",
20     "contributes": {
21         "commands": [
22             {
23                 "command": "extension.sayHello",
24                 "title": "Hello World"
25             },
26             {
27                 "command": "extension.showCurrentConnection",
28                 "title": "Show Current Connection"
29             },
30             {
31                 "command": "extension.getDown",
32                 "title": "Show Max Downvotes"
33             }
34         ]
35     },
```



# VS Code APIs



## window

Text editors  
Terminals  
User inputs

## workspace

Currently open  
folder  
FileSystem

## tasks

Background  
scripts/processes

```
const editor = vscode.window.activeTextEditor;  
let cursorPosition = editor.selection.start;  
let lineCount = editor.document.lineCount;
```

More Info: <https://code.visualstudio.com/api/references/vscode-api>

# Proposed APIs



**azdata.proposed.d.ts**

- APIs in preview
- Subject to breaking changes

## Using Proposed APIs

- To install from command line after Yeoman generator:  
*npm run proposedapi*
- To install manually:  
Copy file to *typings* folder

<https://github.com/microsoft/azuredatstudio/blob/master/src/sql/azdata.proposed.d.ts>



# NodeJS Packages

## Additional Functionality

Parsing SQL, JSON, etc

HTTP requests

Filesystem access

Operating system info

## npm/yarn

Package managers for NodeJS:

- Yarn - performance
- npm - interoperability

Start here: <https://www.npmjs.com/>

# Install an Additional Node Package

`npm install <package-name>`

Run from the terminal

`import * as <alias> from '<package-name>';`

Add to the top of a Typescript file

# Let's Try It.

What operating system (OS) is the user running?

We need to run a command that is different based on the OS of the user.

1. Use an additional JS package for operating system information.
2. Use the OS type to return different information to the user.

```
import * as vscode from 'vscode';
```

```
// The module 'azdata' contains the Azure Data Studio extensibility API  
// This is a complementary set of APIs that add SQL / Data-specific functionality to the app  
// Import the module and reference it with the alias azdata in your code below
```

```
import * as azdata from 'azdata';
```

```
import * as os from 'os';
```

• • • • •

```
// The commandId parameter must match the command field in package.json
```

```
context.subscriptions.push(vscode.commands.registerCommand('extension.sayHello', () => {  
    // The code you place here will be executed every time your command is executed
```

```
    // Display a message box to the user  
    vscode.window.showInformationMessage('Hello World!');
```

```
    let hostname = os.hostname();
```

```
    if (os.type() !== 'Windows_NT') {
```

```
        vscode.window.showInformationMessage('Aren\'t you glad Azure Data Studio runs on other platforms')  
    } else {
```

```
        vscode.window.showInformationMessage('You can still use SSMS when you have the RAM to spare!');  
    }
```

```
}});
```

Make the editor and your code look the way you love

## Learn

Find and run all commands


Rapidly access and search commands from the Command Palette (Ctrl+Shift+P)

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 You can still use SSMS when you have the RAM to spare!

 Hello World!



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# Extended Architecture

## Native Code

Node binaries

.NET Core

Package with extension or  
install on activation

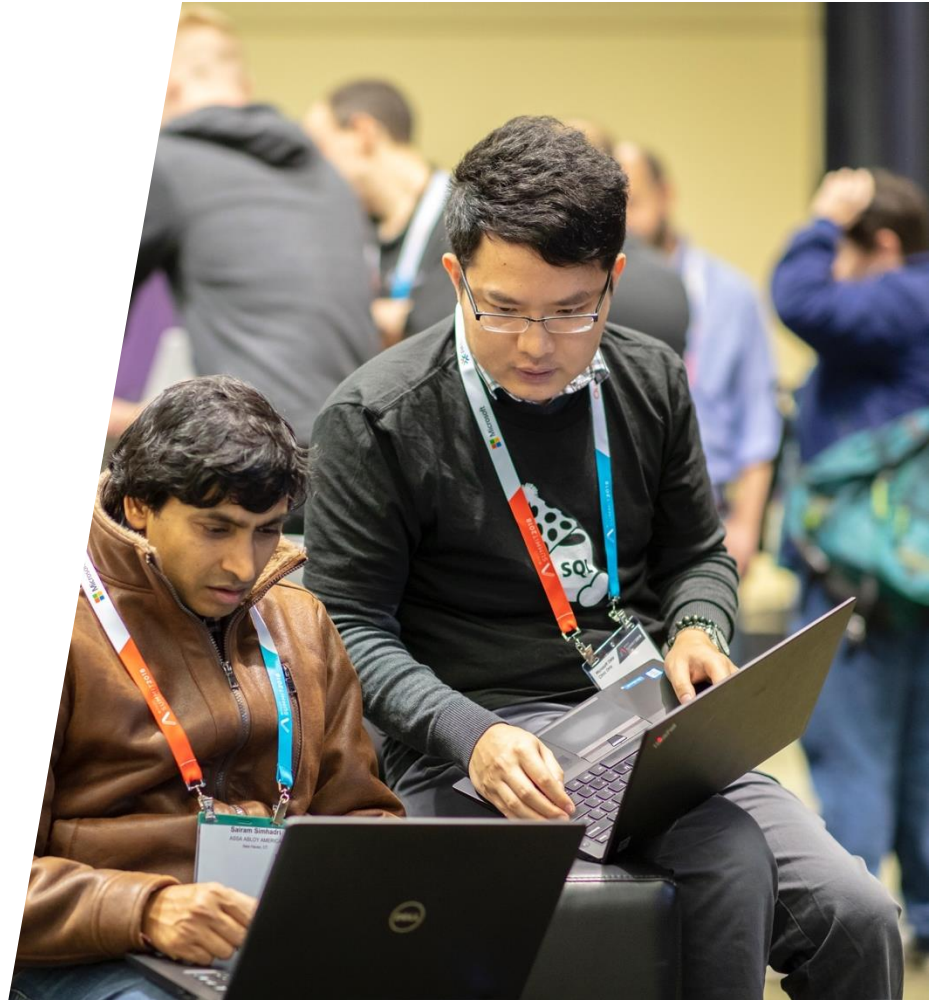
*Cross Platform*

## Web Framework

Support for rendering  
content in a Webview

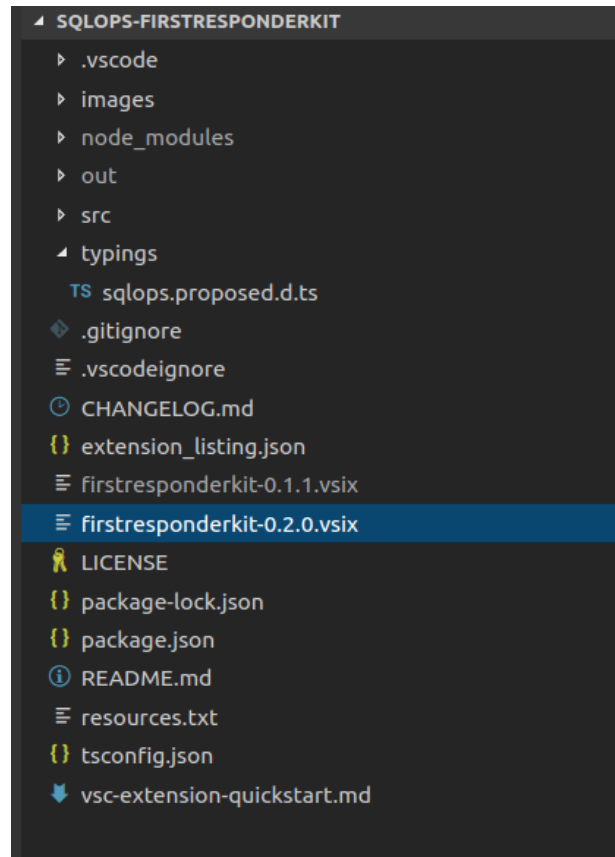


# Package and Publish



# Package to .vsix

- (update README.md)
- Run **vsce package** from terminal
- Load .vsix into Azure Data Studio via command palette





PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL

1: powershell



```
PS C:\Users\drewk\Documents\AzureDataStudio_Dev\best-pass-summit> vsce package
Executing prepublish script 'npm run vscode:prepublish'...
```

```
> best-pass-summit@0.0.1 vscode:prepublish C:\Users\drewk\Documents\AzureDataStudio_Dev\best-pass-summit
> npm run compile
```

```
> best-pass-summit@0.0.1 compile C:\Users\drewk\Documents\AzureDataStudio_Dev\best-pass-summit
> tsc -p ./
```

**WARNING** A 'repository' field is missing from the 'package.json' manifest file.

Do you want to continue? [y/N] y

**DONE** Packaged: C:\Users\drewk\Documents\AzureDataStudio\_Dev\best-pass-summit\best-pass-summit-0.0.1.vsix (12 files, 6.67KB)

**INFO**

The latest version of vsce is 1.69.0 and you have 1.65.0.

Update it now: npm install -g vsce

```
PS C:\Users\drewk\Documents\AzureDataStudio_Dev\best-pass-summit> █
```

# Options for Publishing

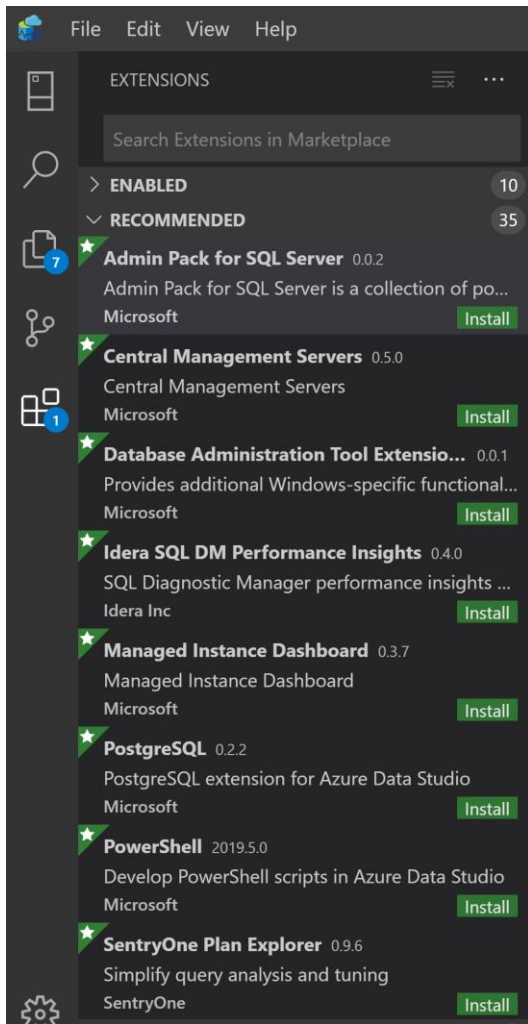
## A philosophical question:

### Open Source

Others can view your code,  
contribute improvements  
or fixes

### Closed Source

Protect your intellectual  
property  
Others can download and  
install the .vsix



# Azure Data Studio Marketplace

Pull Request to release/extensions branch

Update [extensionsGallery.json](#)

# extensionsGallery.json

## files

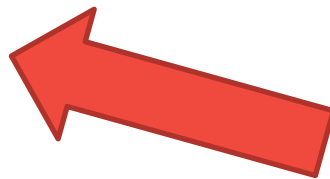
- SQLOps.DownloadPage
- VisualStudio.Services.Icons.Default, *optional*
- VisualStudio.Services.Content.Details
- VisualStudio.Code.Manifest
- VisualStudio.Services.Content.License

**Values don't have  
to be links to  
GitHub**

# extensionsGallery.json

## properties

- VisualStudio.Code.ExtensionDependencies
- VisualStudio.Services.Links.Source, *optional*
- AzDataEngine
- VisualStudio.Code.Engine



**Set minimum  
versions**



# Wrap Up



# Key Takeaways

## Building an Extension in Azure Data Studio

- You can do it.
- VS Code extension + Azure Data Studio APIs
- Extension functionality can derive from both NodeJS and extended capabilities
- Extensions can be monetized and/or proprietary
- Open source contributions elevate the data platform community's capabilities

# Additional Resources

- [https://github.com/dzsquared/AzureDataStudio\\_ExtensionDevelopment](https://github.com/dzsquared/AzureDataStudio_ExtensionDevelopment)
- <https://code.visualstudio.com/docs/extensions/overview>
- <https://medium.com/@kevcunnane/extending-sql-operations-studio-hello-connected-world-part-1-of-n-e868542c6157>
- <https://www.drewsk.tech/2018/10/sql-saturday-796-minnesota-2018/>
- <https://medium.com/ingeniouslysimple/how-we-built-an-extension-for-sql-operations-studio-f93532ce4456>
- <https://cultivatehq.com/posts/how-we-built-a-visual-studio-code-extension-for-iot-prototyping/>



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