



# ANOTHER BRICK IN THE FIREWALL

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How to Secure your Azure Data Platform

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# Thank you, partners





# INTRODUCTION

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- Data Platform MVP
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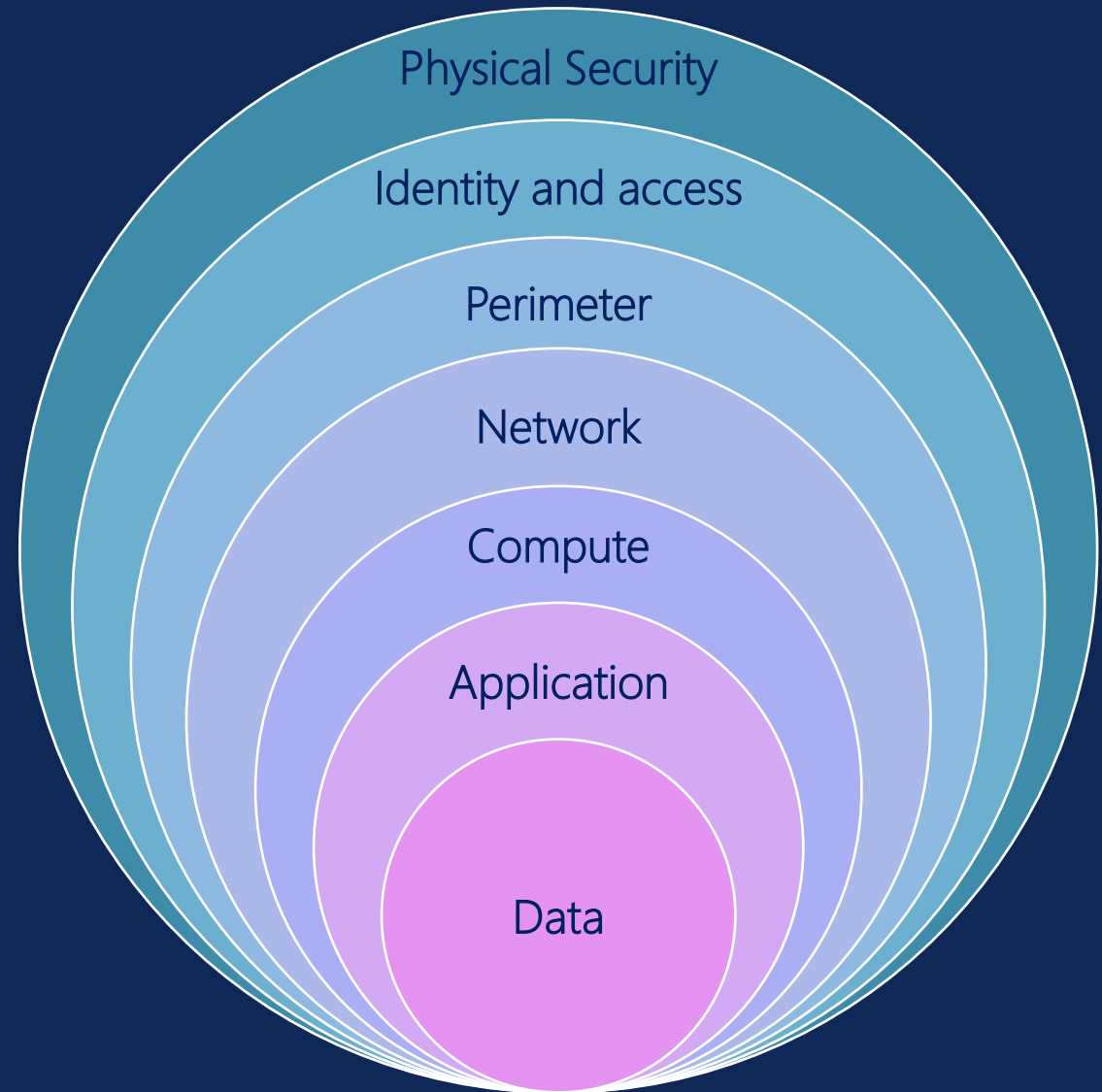
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# WHY CARE ABOUT NETWORK SECURITY

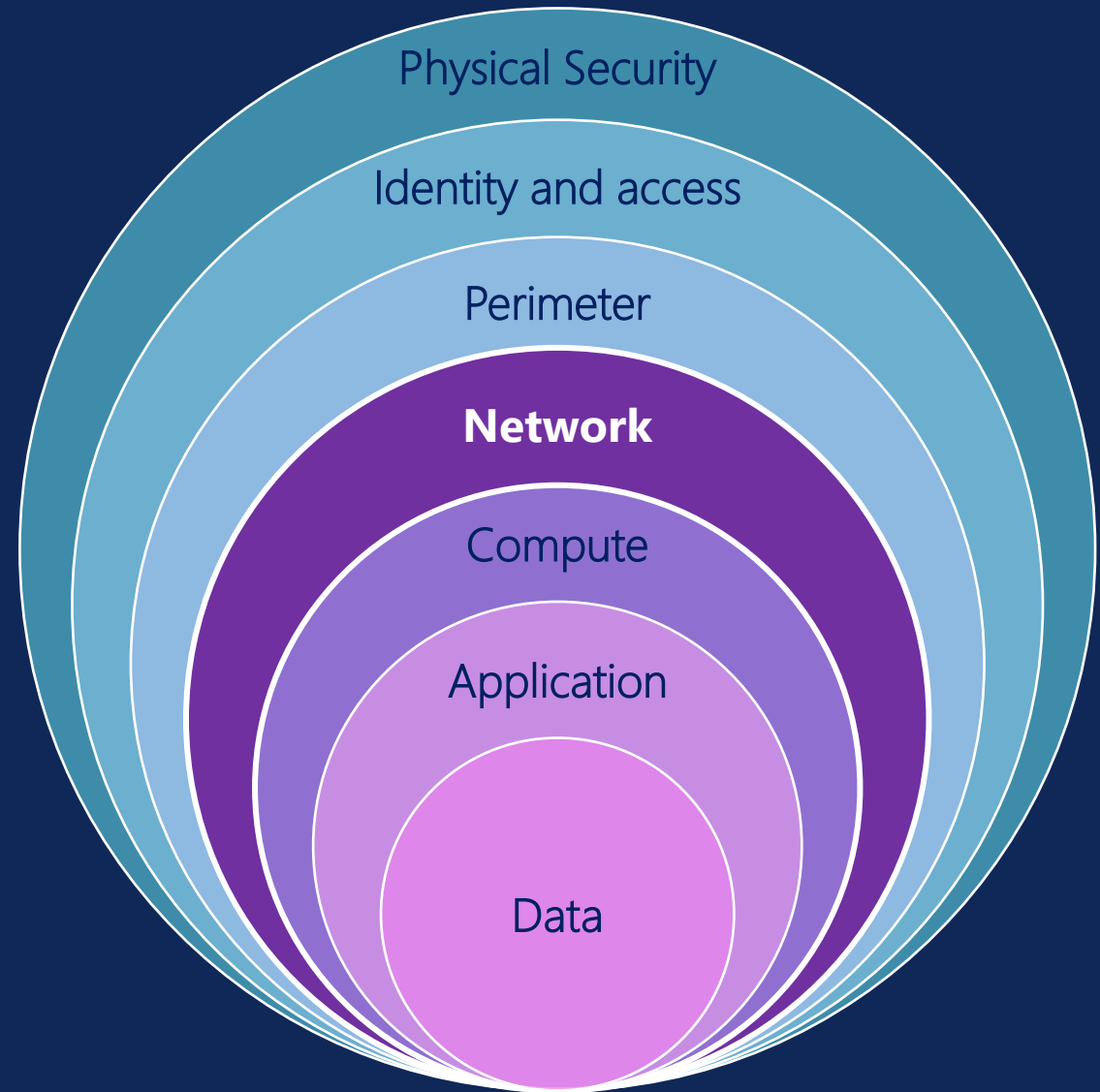
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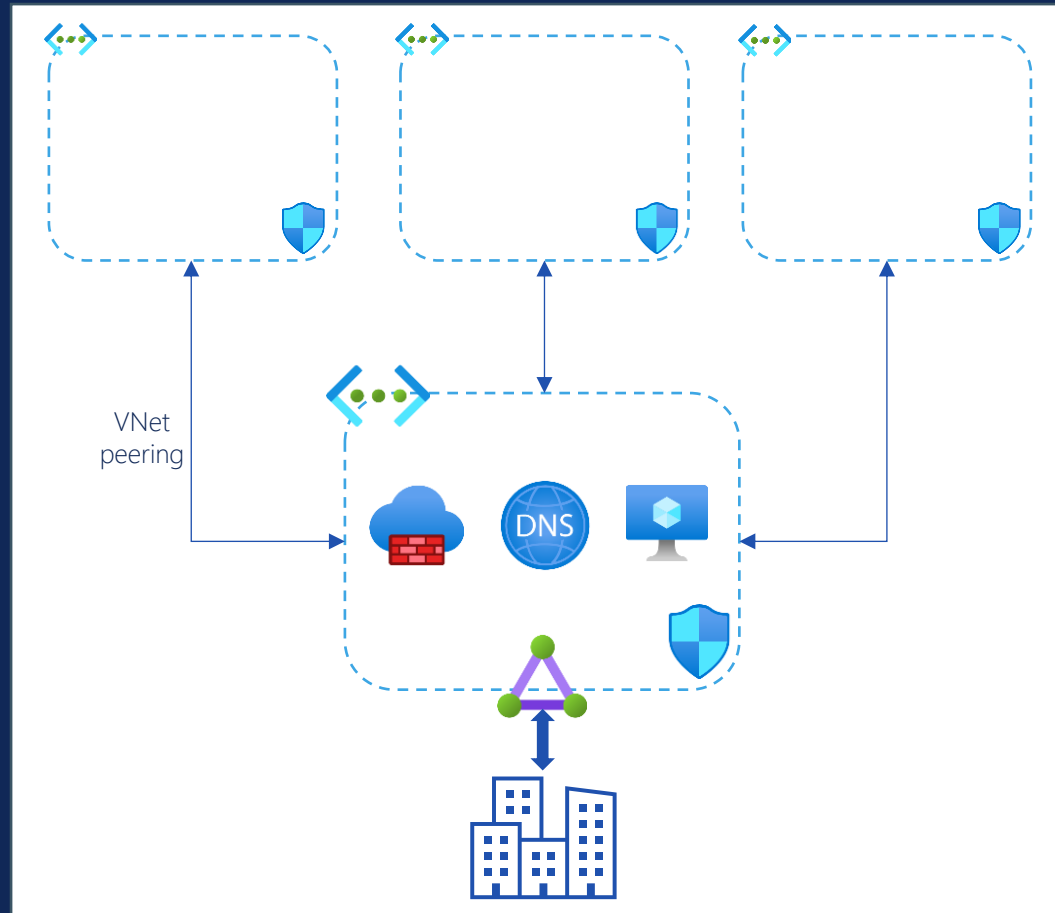
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Hub-and-Spoke Topology



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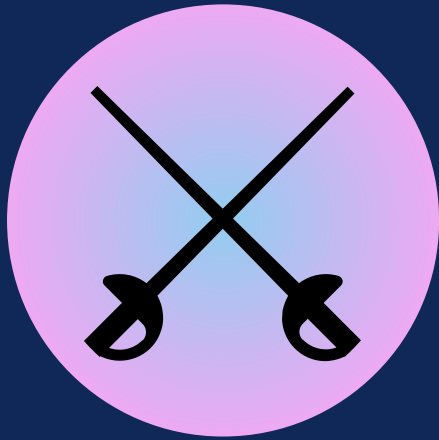


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Address Space Considerations

# ADDRESS SPACE CONSIDERATIONS



**Avoid Conflicts**



**Use IPAM**



**Size Requirements**



**Allow for Growth**

# INGRESS & EGRESS



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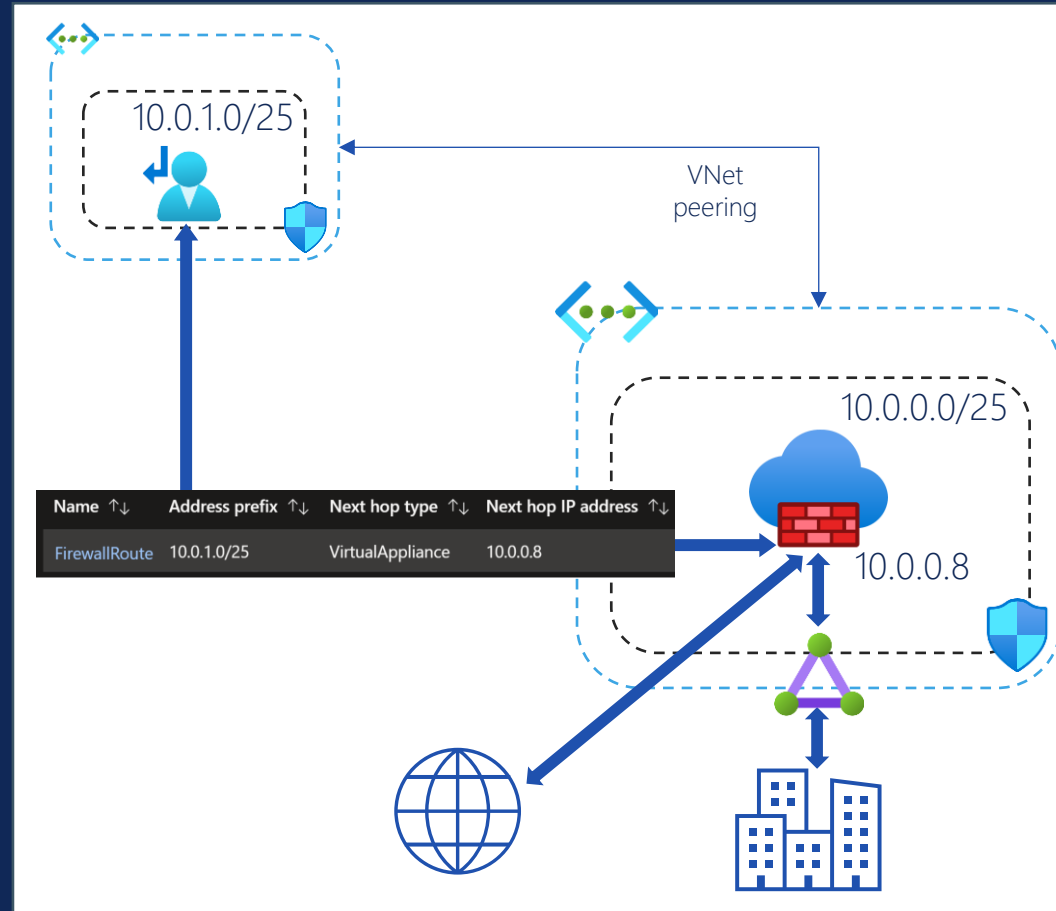
Firewalls & UDRs



"Ingress and Egress are fancy  
words for Inbound and Outbound."

- Grace O'Halloran, now.

# FIREWALLS & USER DEFINED ROUTES

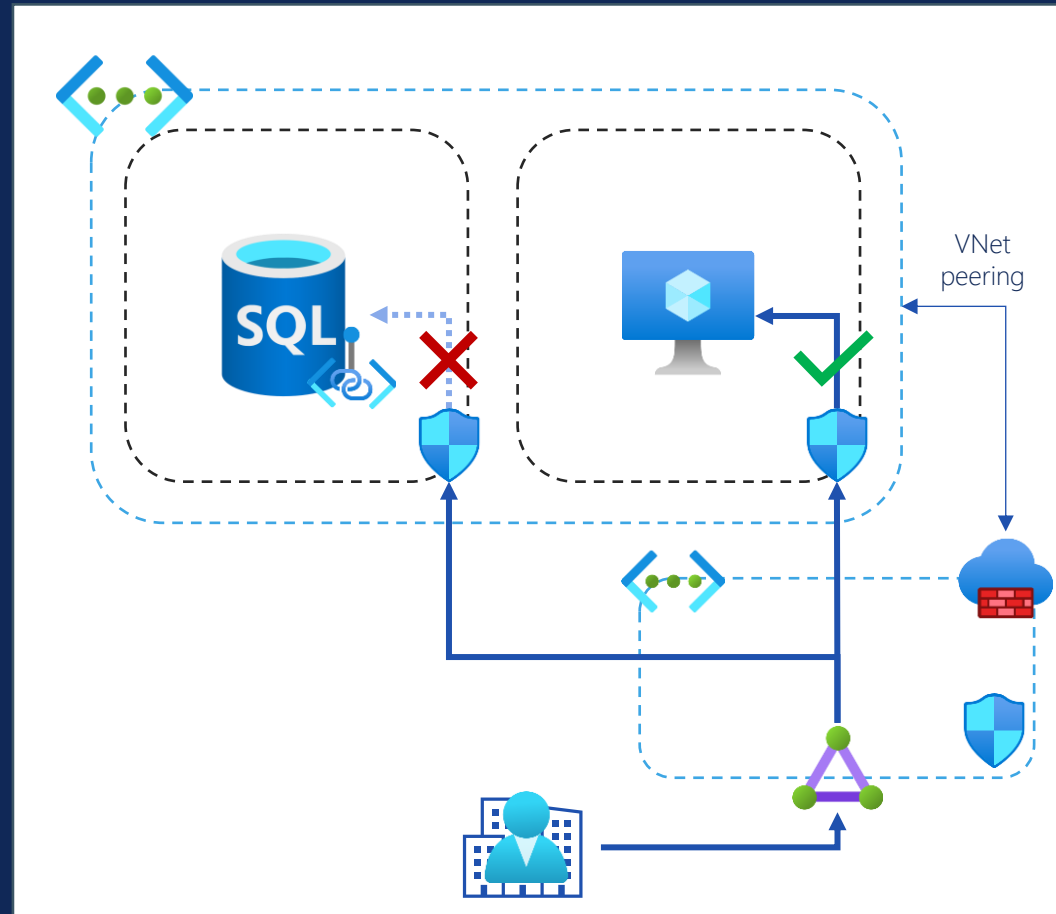


# INGRESS & EGRESS

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Network Security Groups

# NETWORK SECURITY GROUPS





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Secure Development Access

# SECURE DEVELOPMENT ACCESS



## Virtualisation Tool

- Azure Virtual Desktop
- Windows Cloud PC
- Citrix
- VMWare



## Microsoft DevBox

- DevBox provides preconfigured cloud-based developer workstations



## Azure Bastion

- Azure Bastion provides a host for users to securely connect to Azure VMs.



## Jump Box

- Infra is responsible for maintaining the security of the jump box.

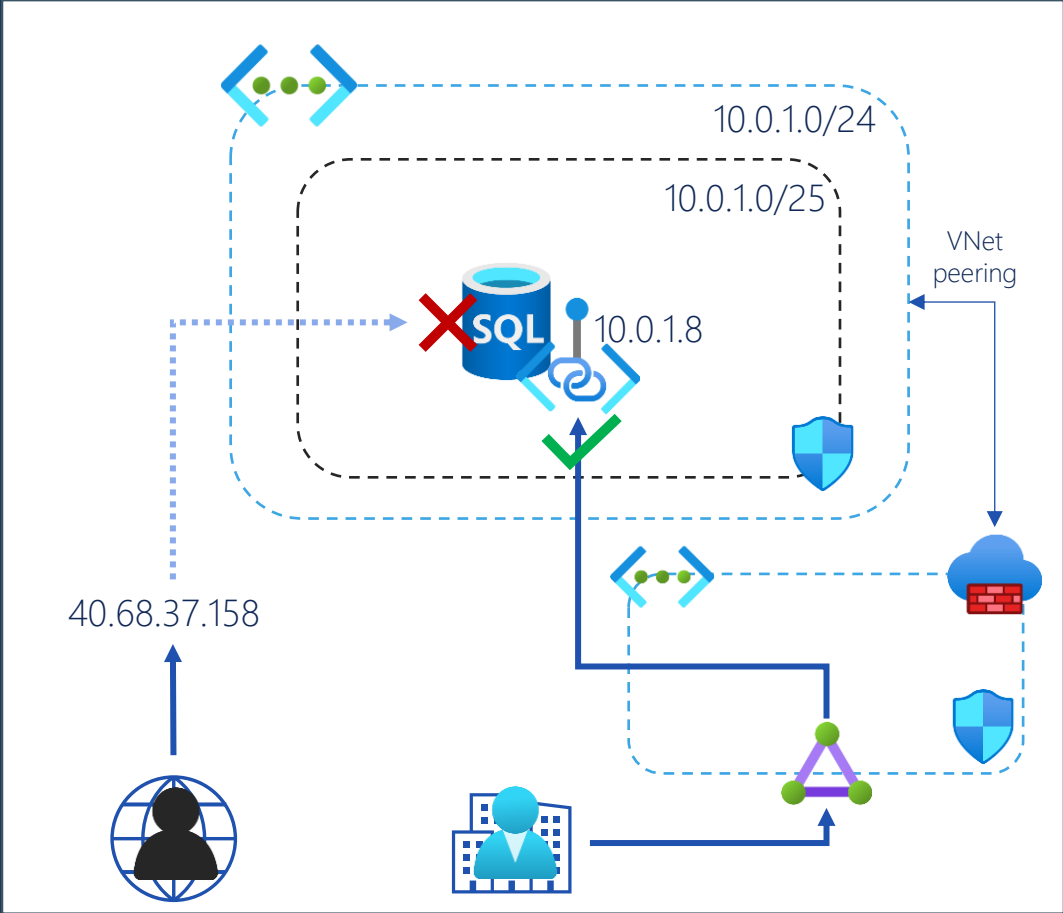
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Private Endpoints

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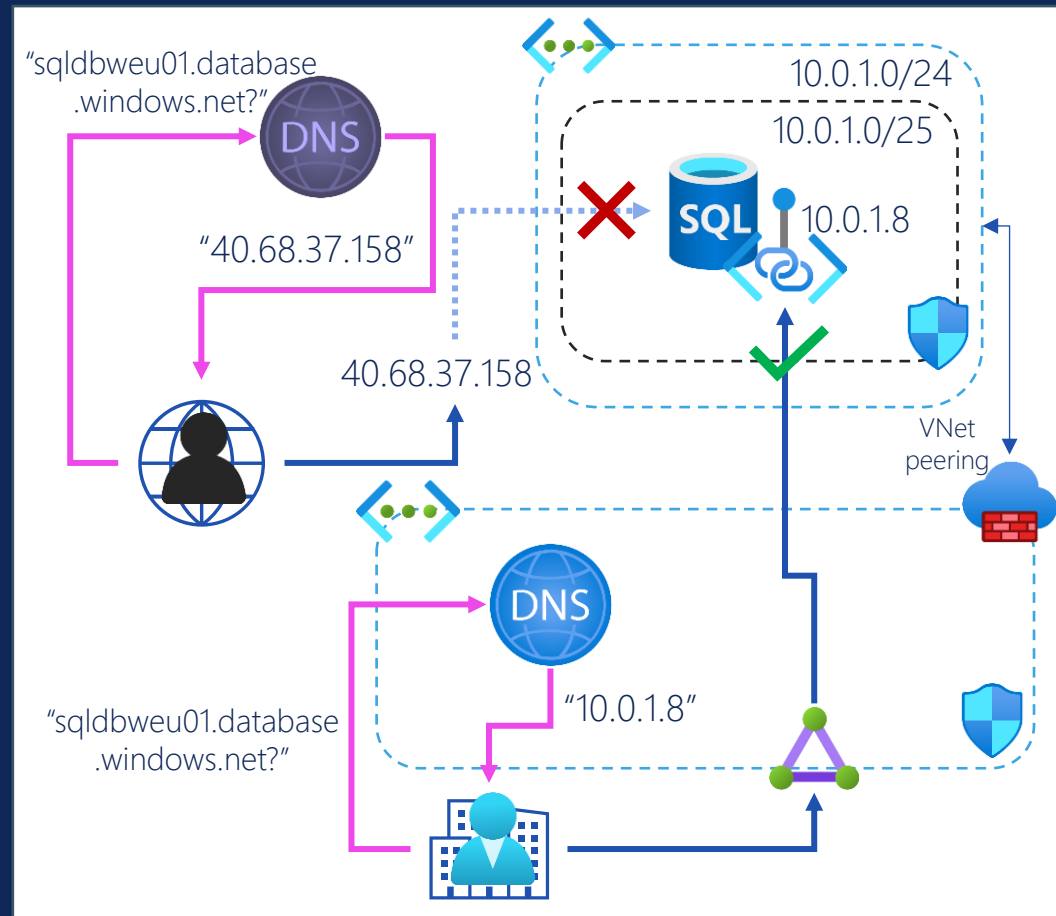
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Azure Private DNS

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# PRIVATE DNS ZONES



## Central

Private DNS Zones should be part of a central DNS solution



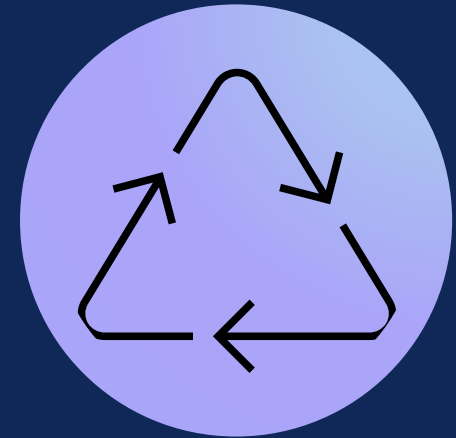
## One per Domain

One Private DNS Zone required per Azure domain



## Naming

Private DNS Zones used for Private Link must have specific names



## Reusable

Resources part of the same domain can reuse the same Private DNS Zone




# PRIVATE DNS ZONES

<b>Azure SQL Server resource name:</b>	sqldbweu01
<b>Azure SQL Server public endpoint:</b>	sqldbweu01.database.windows.net
<b>Domain:</b>	database.windows.net
<b>Azure Private DNS Zone required:</b>	privatelink.database.windows.net





# A RECORDS

Home >

 **privatelink.database.windows.net**   ...

Private DNS zone

<< + Record set → Move ▾  Delete zone  Refresh

**Overview**

Activity log

Access control (IAM)

Tags

Diagnose and solve problems

**Settings**

Virtual network links

Properties

Locks

**Monitoring**

Alerts

Metrics


**Essentials**

Resource group (move) : [datamoshpit-rgp](#)

Subscription (move) : [Visual Studio Enterprise Subscription – MPN](#)

Subscription ID :

Tags (edit) : [Add tags](#)

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Name	Type	TTL	Value
@	SOA	3600	Email: azureprivatedns-host.microsoft.com Host: azureprivatedns.net Refresh: 3600 Retry: 300 Expire: 2419200 Minimum TTL: 10 Serial number: 1
sqldbweu01	A	3600	10.0.1.8

# A RECORDS

Home > [privatelink.database.windows.net](#) >

## sqldbweu01

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 Save  Discard  Delete  Access Control (IAM)  Metadata

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IP address

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# DATA PLATFORM COMPONENTS

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Azure Data Factory: Integration Runtimes



# ADF: INTEGRATION RUNTIMES



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## Azure IR with Managed VNet

Use the Azure-hosted IR with the Managed VNet enabled in order to secure the compute inside a private network.















You must use Managed Private Endpoints to allow your IR access to your protected resources.

## Self-hosted IR (SHIR)

SHIRs are created by installing an IR application on your own machine, this can be an on-prem server or an Azure VM.

The SHIR server will utilise existing Private Endpoints to securely connect to your protected resources.

# ADF: INTEGRATION RUNTIMES

	Azure IR with Managed VNet	Self-hosted IR (SHIR)
Pros	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Fully managed and serverless</li><li> Elastic scaling</li><li> No maintaining of firewall rules</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> High Availability options</li><li> Runtime costs are cheaper</li><li> Allows for easy connectivity to on-prem data sources</li></ul>
Cons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> No control over address space</li><li> Requires additional private endpoints</li><li> Can increase cost</li><li> Doesn't work easily with on-prem connectivity</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Requires pre-existing infrastructure</li><li> Responsible for providing and maintaining the server</li><li> Maintenance of firewall rules</li><li> Pay for compute resource</li></ul>

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Azure DevOps: Self-hosted Build Agents

# AZURE DEVOPS: BUILD AGENTS

Get the agent

Windows

macOS

Linux

x64

x86

System prerequisites

Configure your account

Configure your account by following the steps outlined [here](#).

Download the agent

Download

Create the agent

```
PS C:\> mkdir agent ; cd agent
PS C:\agent> Add-Type -AssemblyName System.IO.Compression.FileSystem ;
[System.IO.Compression.ZipFile]::ExtractToDirectory("$HOME\Downloads\vsts-agent-win-x64-3.225.0.zip", "$PWD")
```

Configure the agent [Detailed instructions](#)

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PS C:\agent> .\config.cmd
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Optionally run the agent interactively

If you didn't run as a service above:

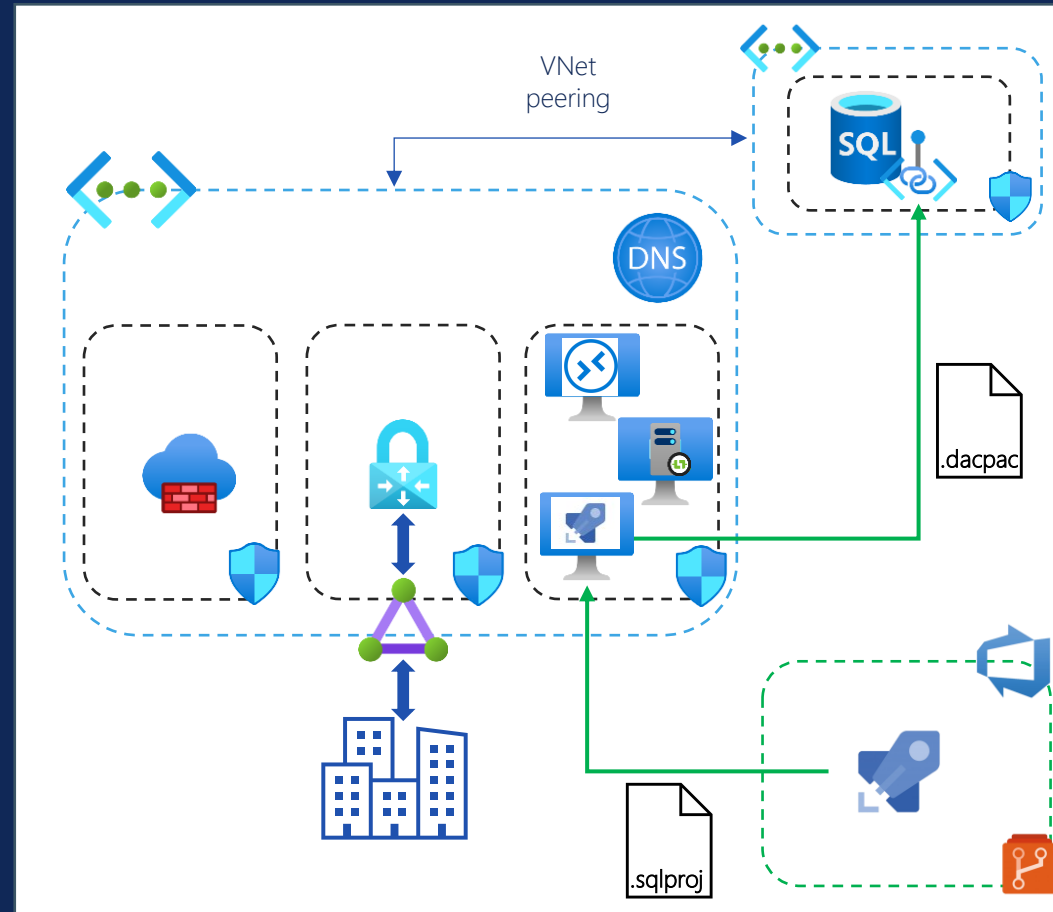
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PS C:\agent> .\run.cmd
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That's it!

[More Information](#)



# AZURE DEVOPS: BUILD AGENTS



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Databricks: VNet Injection, Secure Cluster  
Connectivity, Private Link.

# DATABRICKS



**Managed VNet**



**VNet Injection**

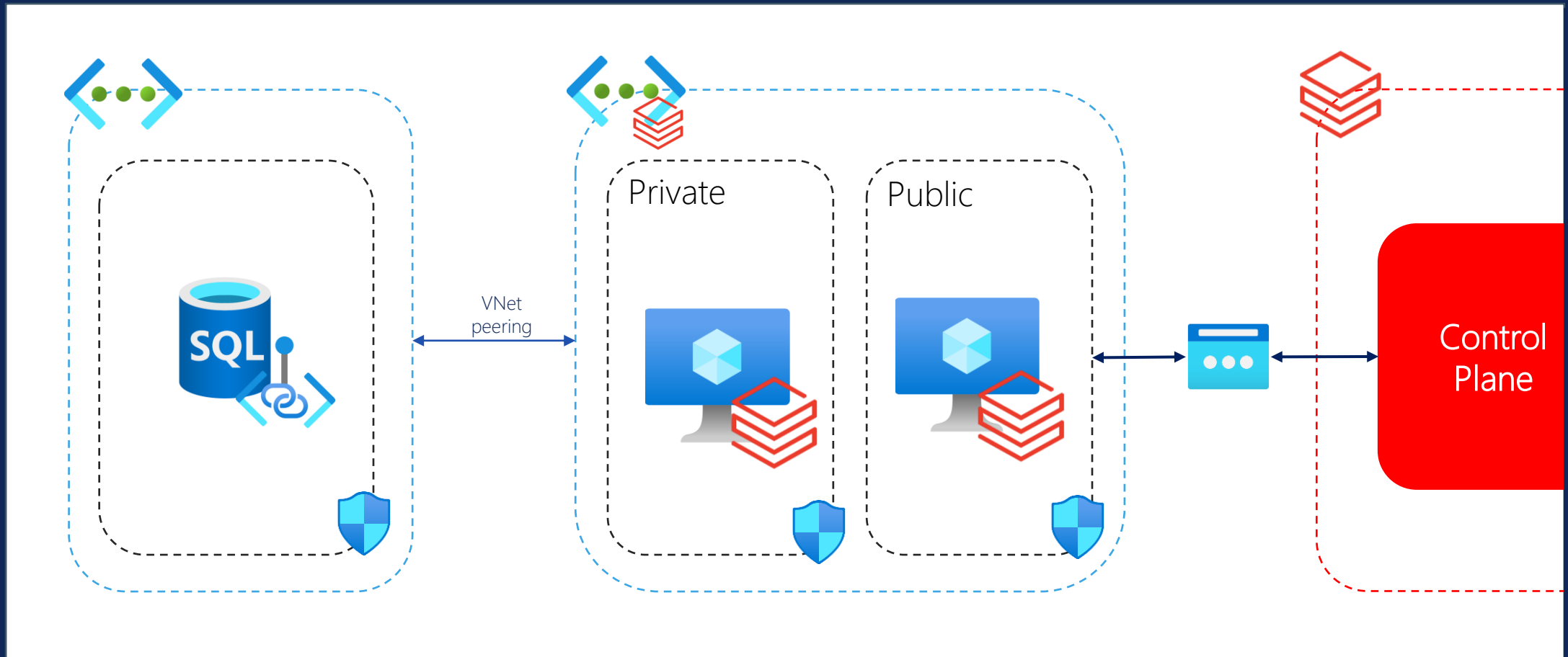


**Secure Cluster  
Connectivity**

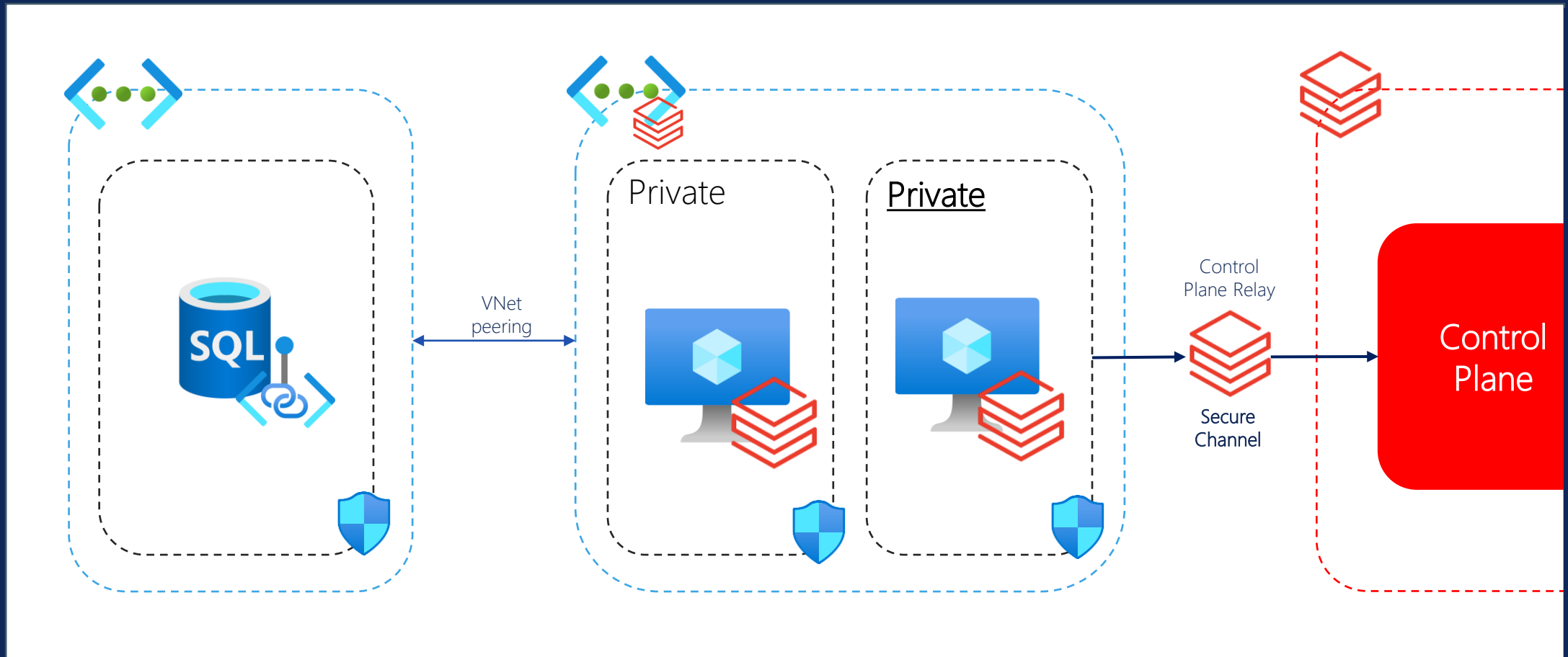


**Private Link**

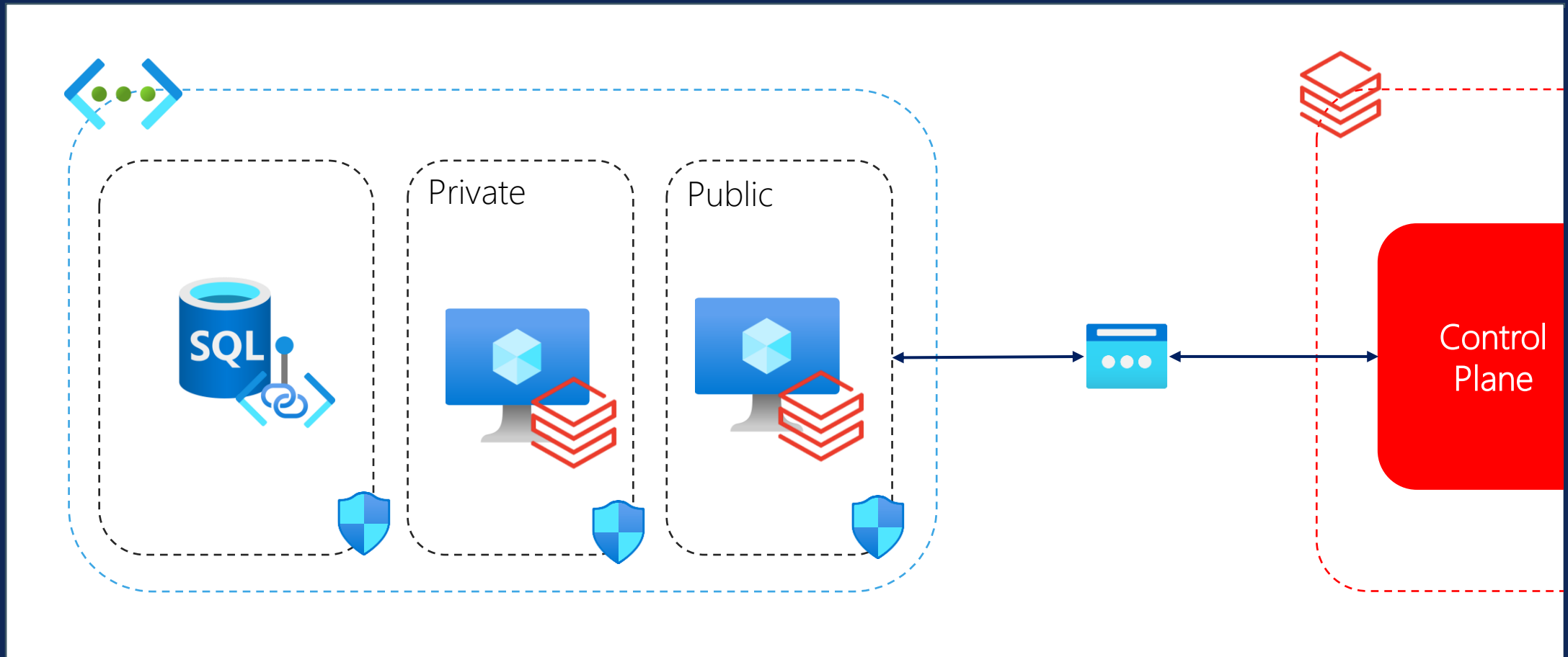
# DATABRICKS: MANAGED VNET



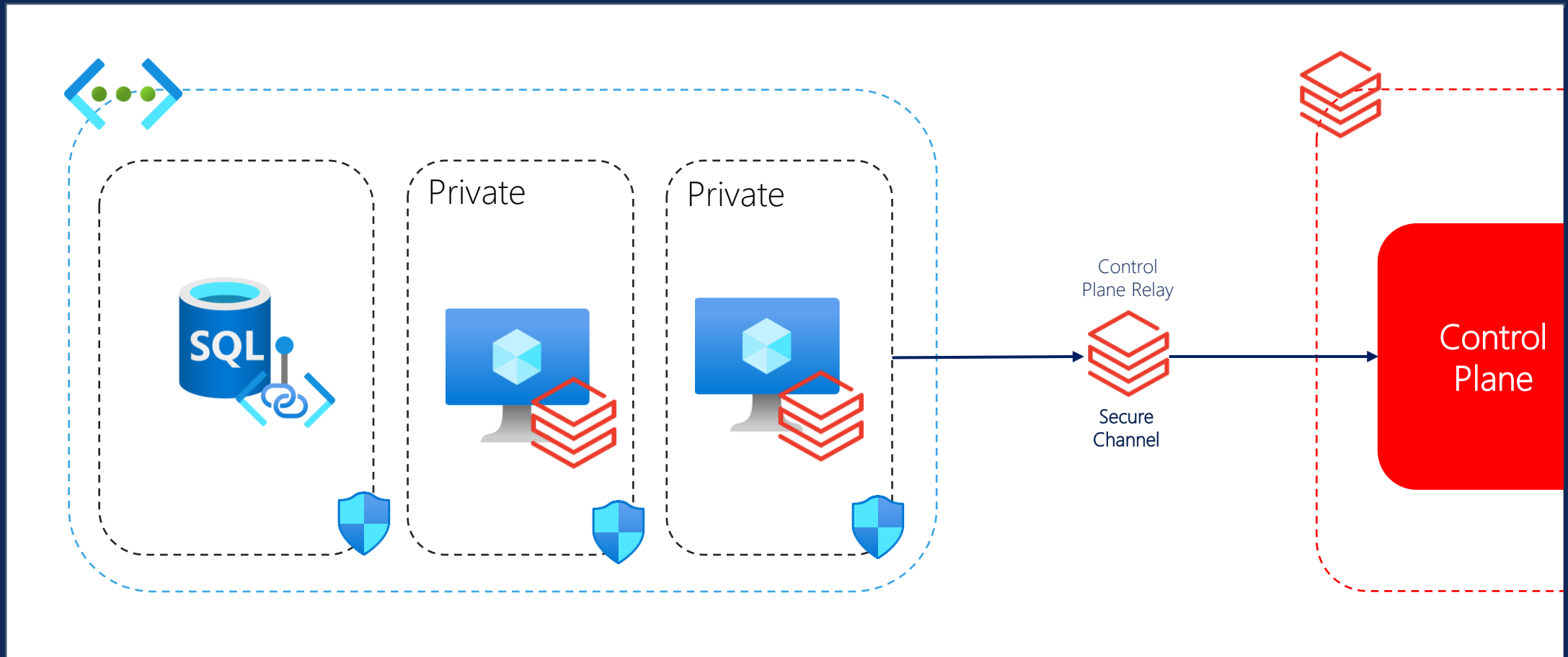
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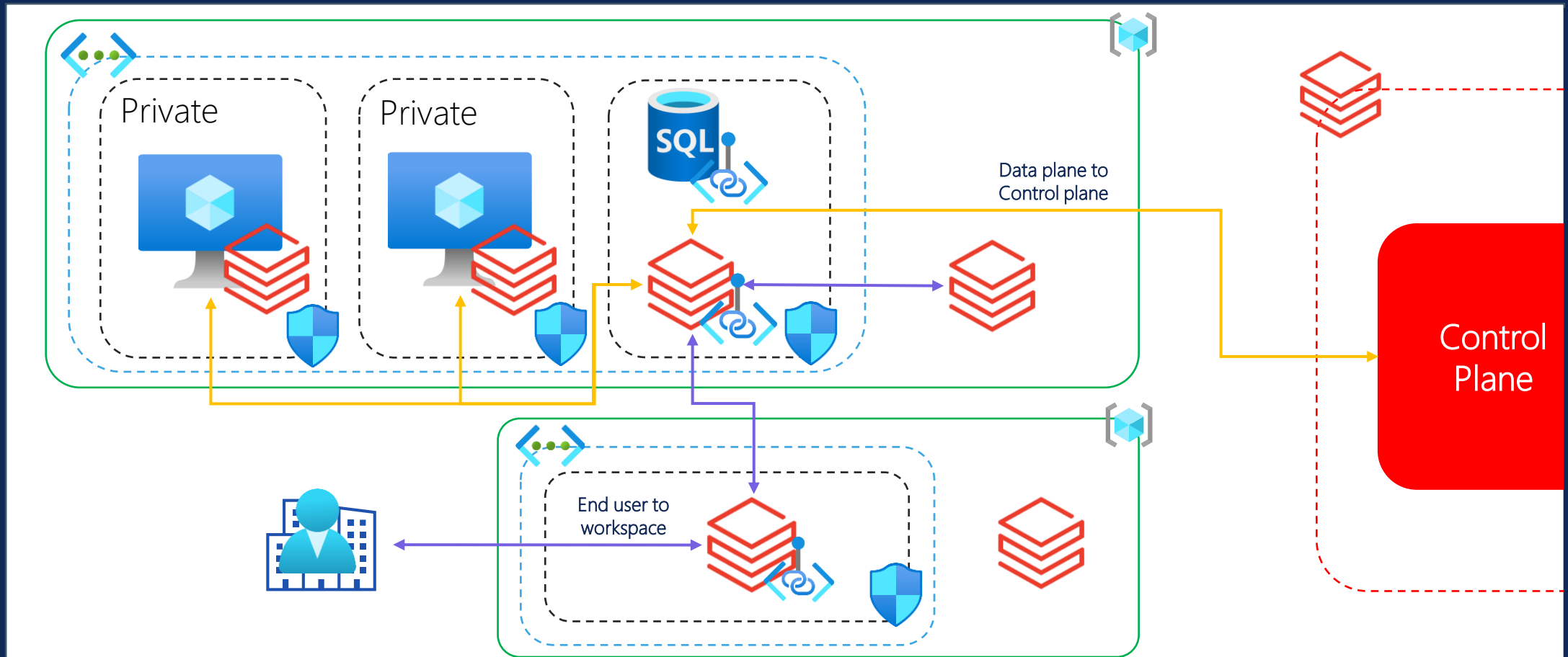
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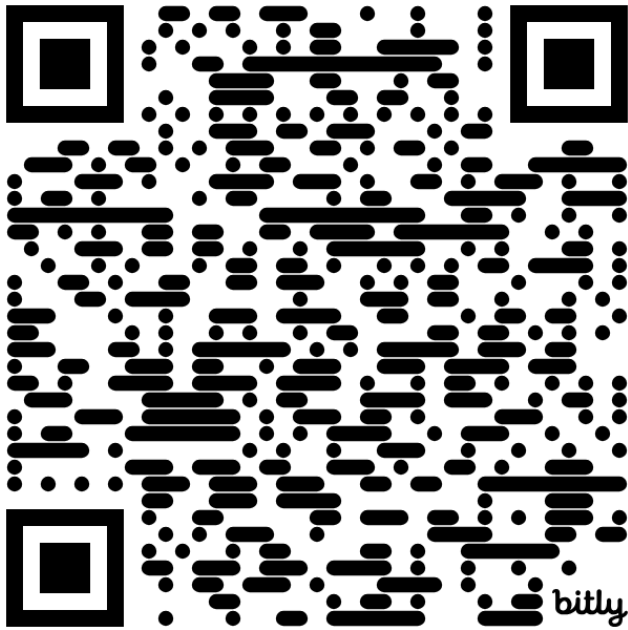
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ADF IRs - Blog



Community Content  
- Github



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Any questions?

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