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## “An Introduction to Azure Data Factory”

with Paul Andrew (Avanade, Microsoft MVP)



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## Enjoy Paul's Session!

# A Introduction to Azure Data Factory

Integration Pipelines 

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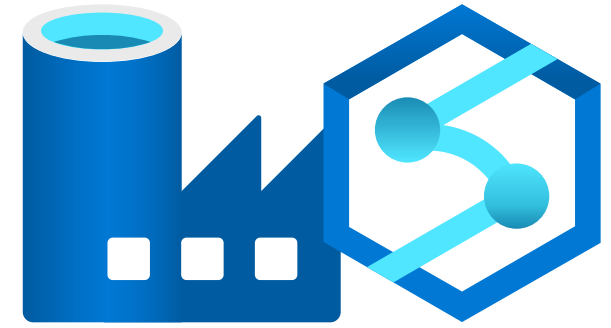
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# A Introduction to Azure ~~Data Factory~~

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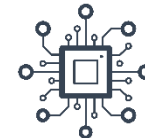
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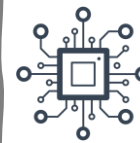
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# Agenda

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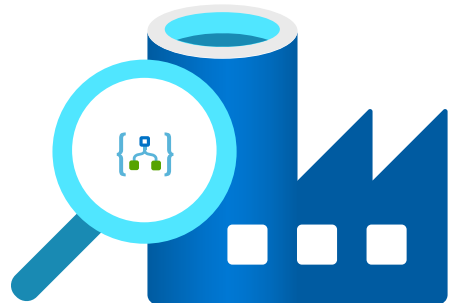
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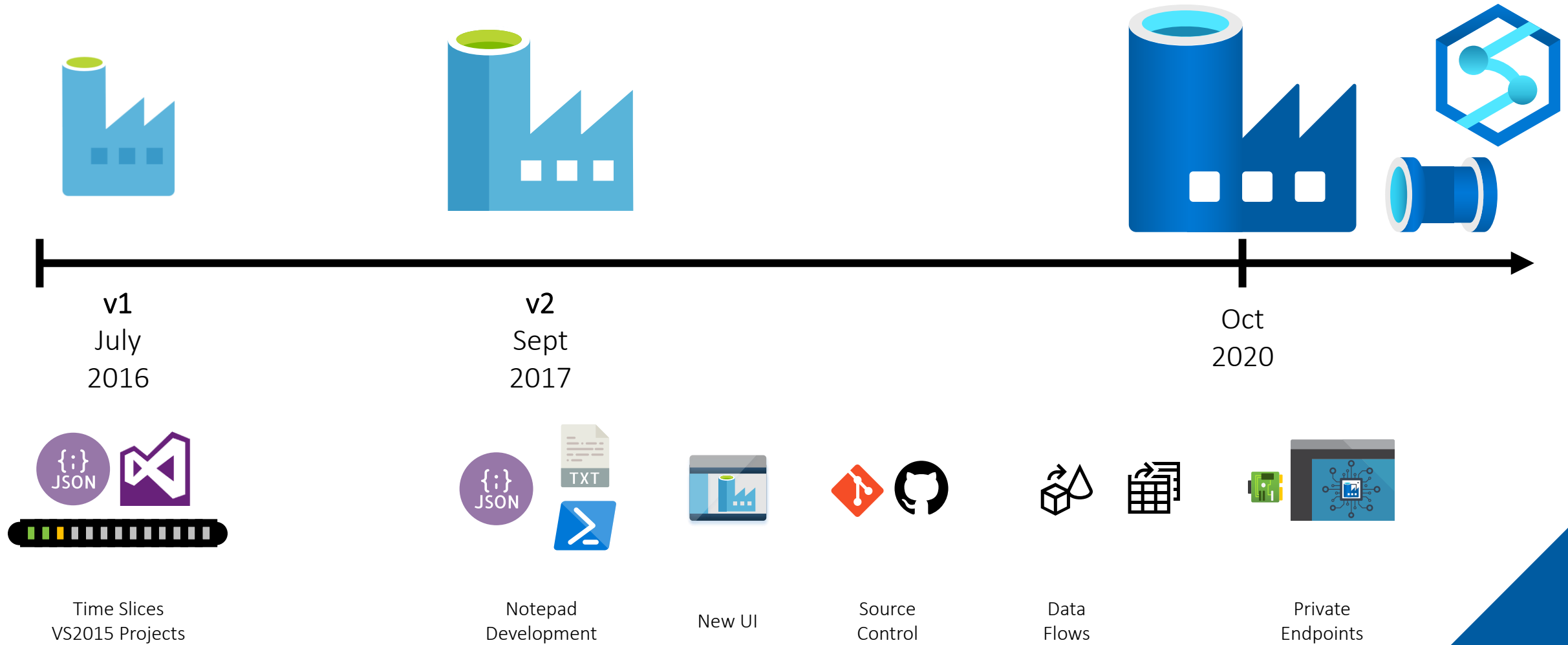


# Azure Data Factory –

What is it?  
Why use it?

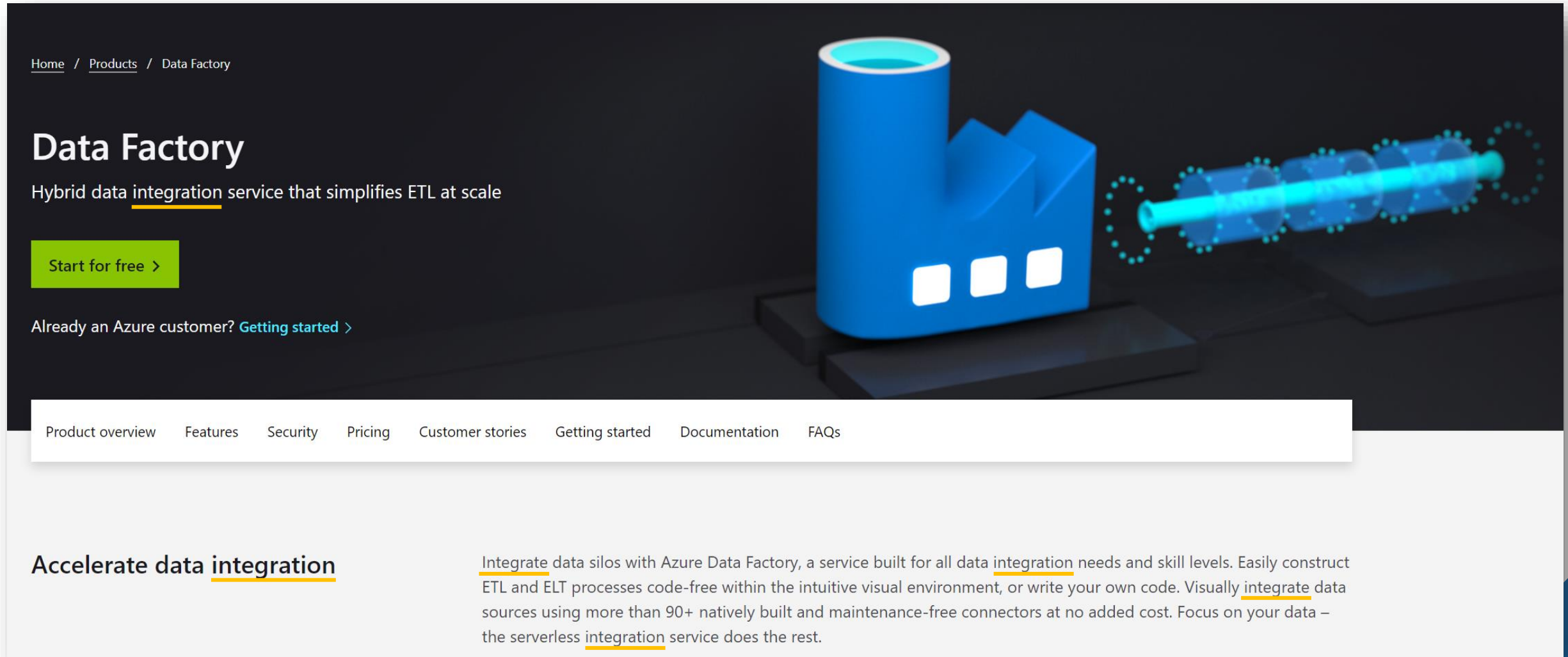


# A Quick History Lesson





# What is Azure Data Factory (ADF)?

The image is a screenshot of the Azure Data Factory (ADF) landing page. The background is dark with a blue 3D graphic of a factory building on the left and a glowing blue data pipeline with circular nodes on the right. The text is white and yellow. The main heading is 'Data Factory' with a subtitle 'Hybrid data integration service that simplifies ETL at scale'. There is a yellow 'Start for free >' button and a link 'Already an Azure customer? Getting started >'. A navigation bar contains links: 'Product overview', 'Features', 'Security', 'Pricing', 'Customer stories', 'Getting started', 'Documentation', and 'FAQs'. Below this, there is a section titled 'Accelerate data integration' followed by a paragraph describing the service.

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## Data Factory

Hybrid data integration service that simplifies ETL at scale

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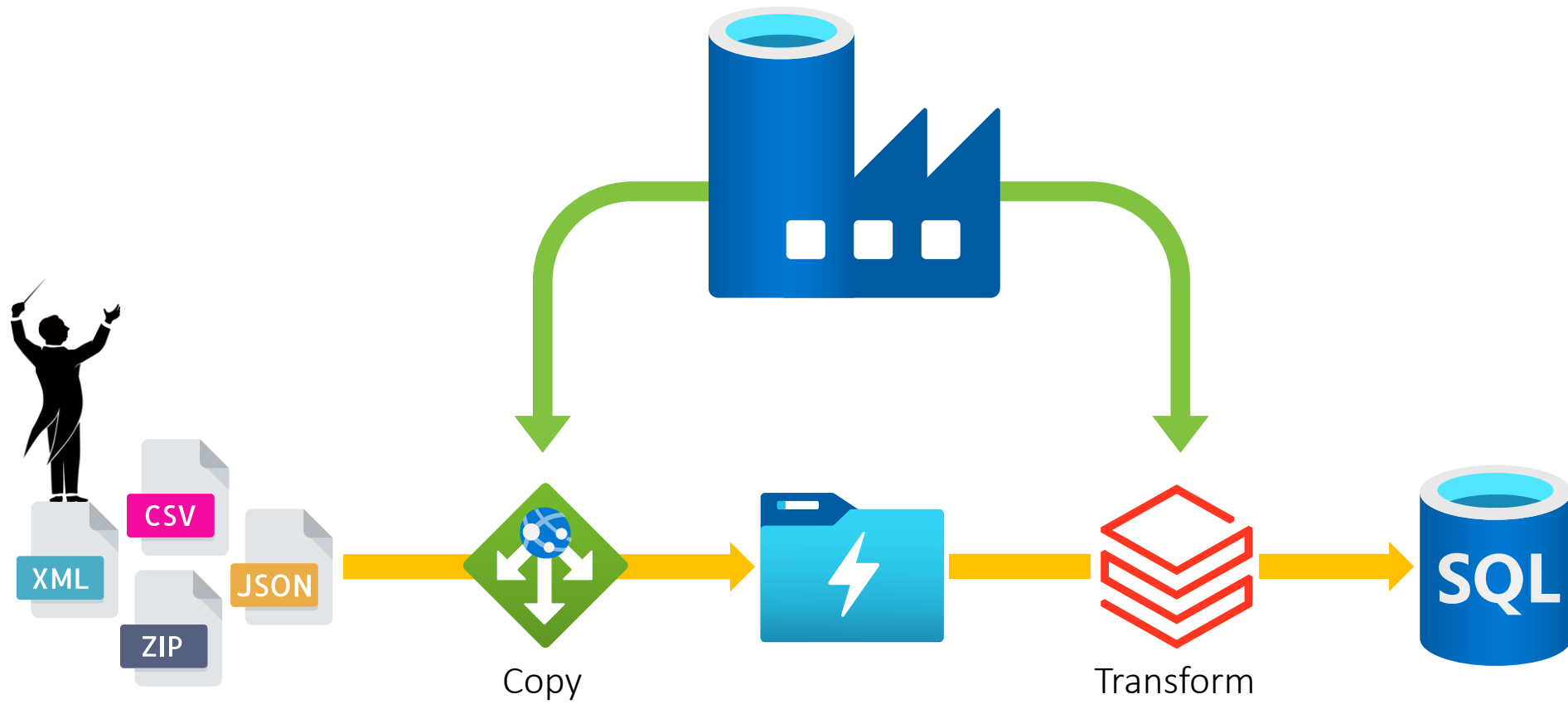
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### Accelerate data integration

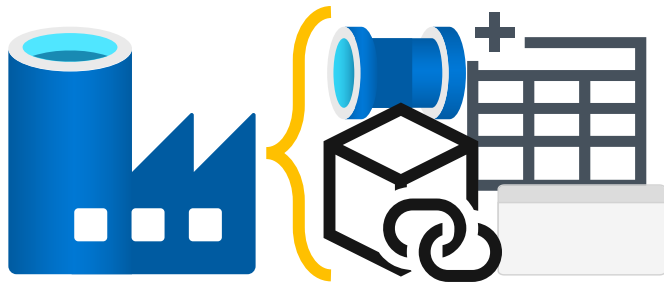
Integrate data silos with Azure Data Factory, a service built for all data integration needs and skill levels. Easily construct ETL and ELT processes code-free within the intuitive visual environment, or write your own code. Visually integrate data sources using more than 90+ natively built and maintenance-free connectors at no added cost. Focus on your data – the serverless integration service does the rest.

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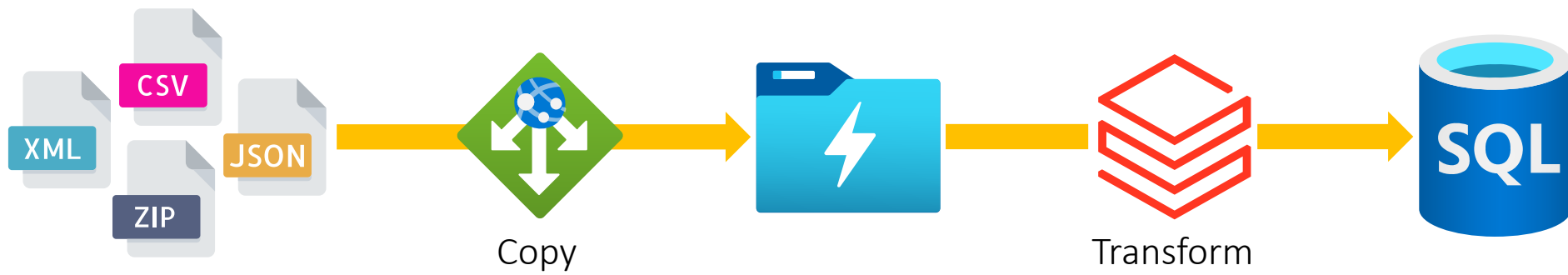




# Data Factory Components

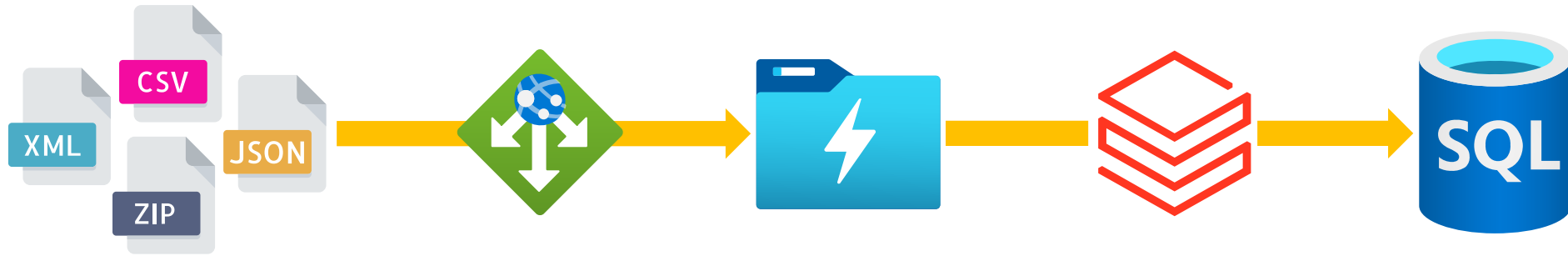


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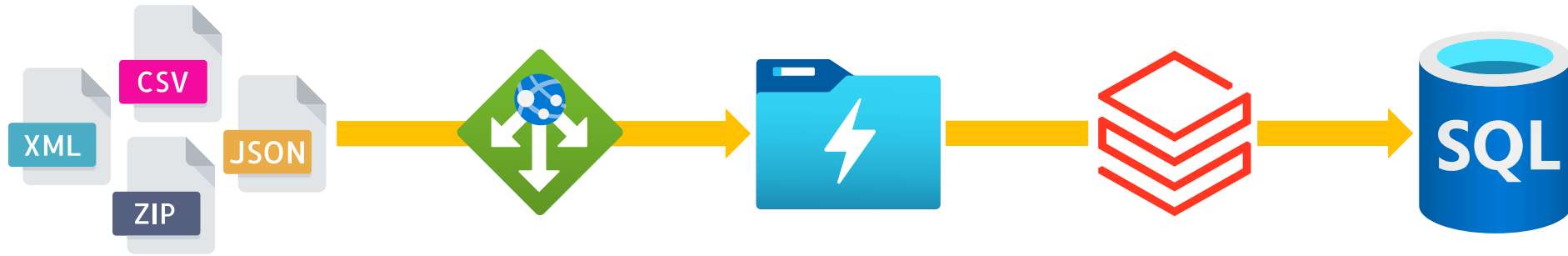




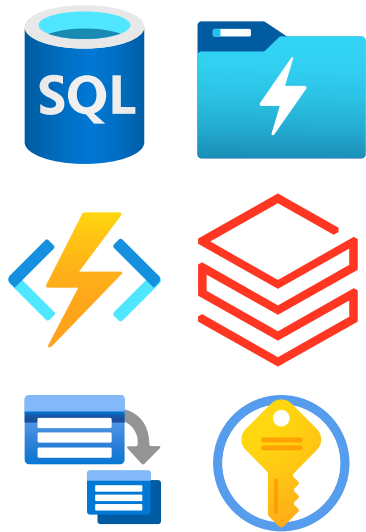
# Data Factory Components



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## 1 Linked Services – What to interact with and how?



SQLDBLinkedService

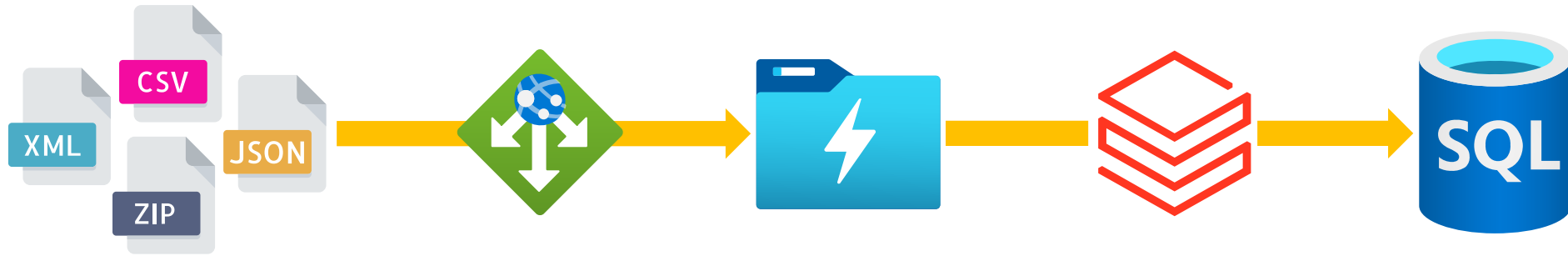
ConnectionString: *Server=MyServer;Database=myDataBase*

UserName: *"MrPaulAndrew"*

Password: *\*\*\*\*\**



# Data Factory Components



1

Linked Services

2

Datasets – Where is my data? What format? What file path/table do I need?

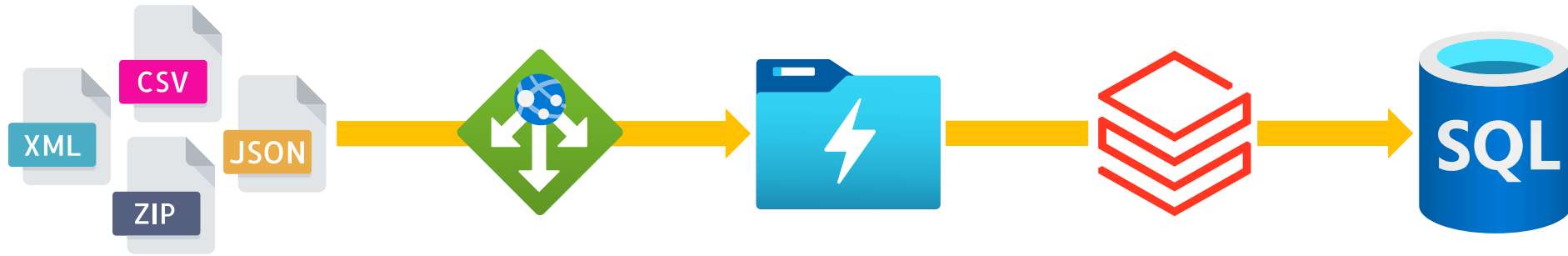


[dbo].[SalesOrders]



/RAW/Orders/2018/01/01/SalesOrders.csv

# Data Factory Components



1 Linked Services

2 Datasets

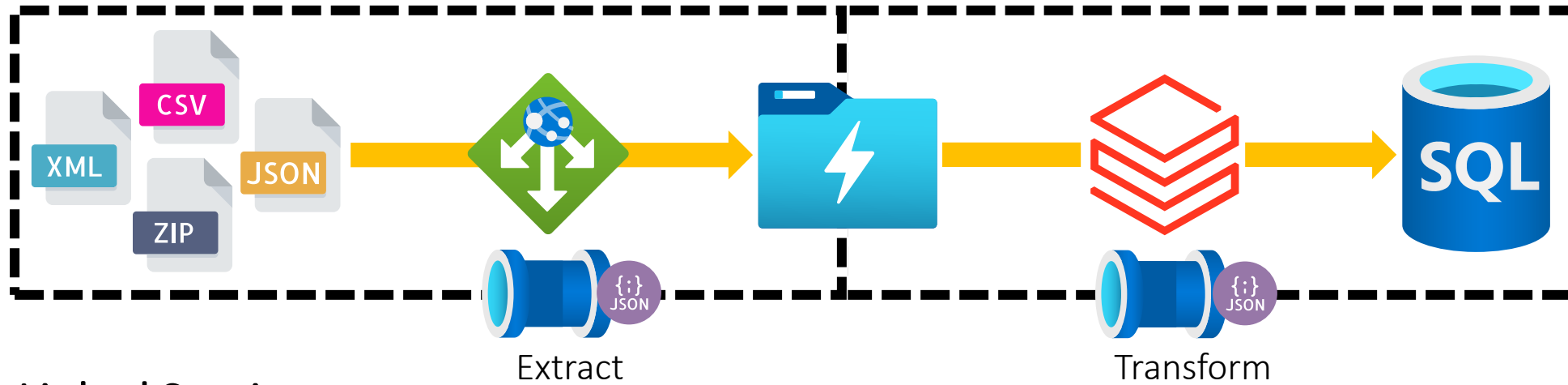
3 **Activities** – What do we want to happen when we invoke a Linked Service?  
With what conditions?



Databricks Notebook Activity

```
notebookPath: /Playground/Playing
baseParameters: Testing
libraries[jar]: dbfs:/lib1.jar
linkedServiceName: BricksOfData01
```

# Data Factory Components

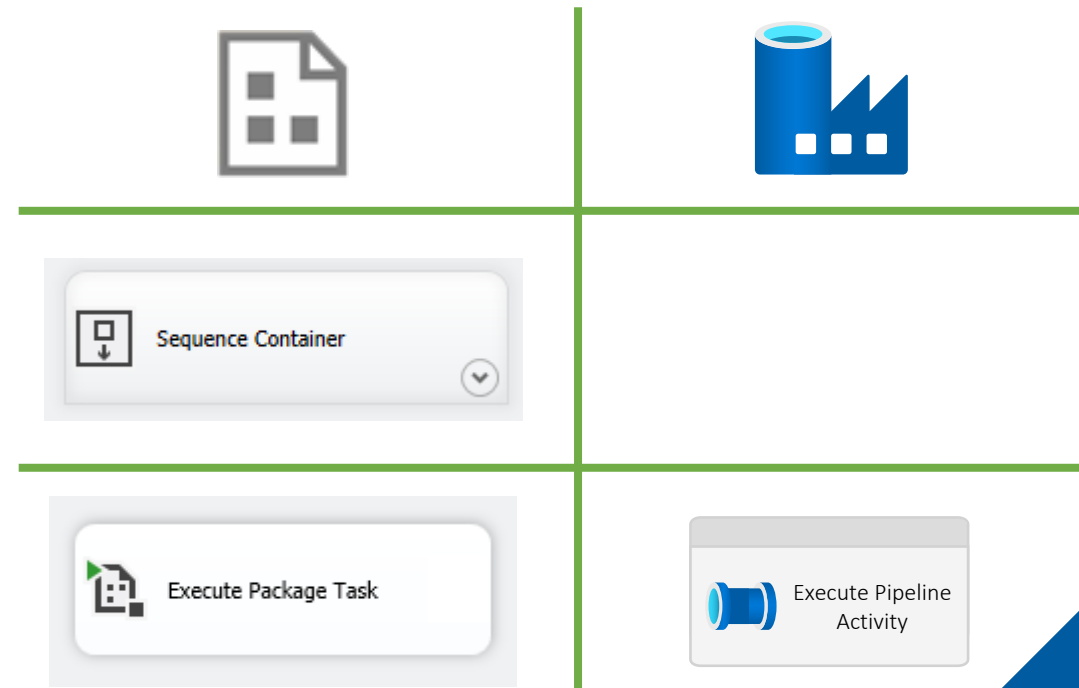


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2 Datasets

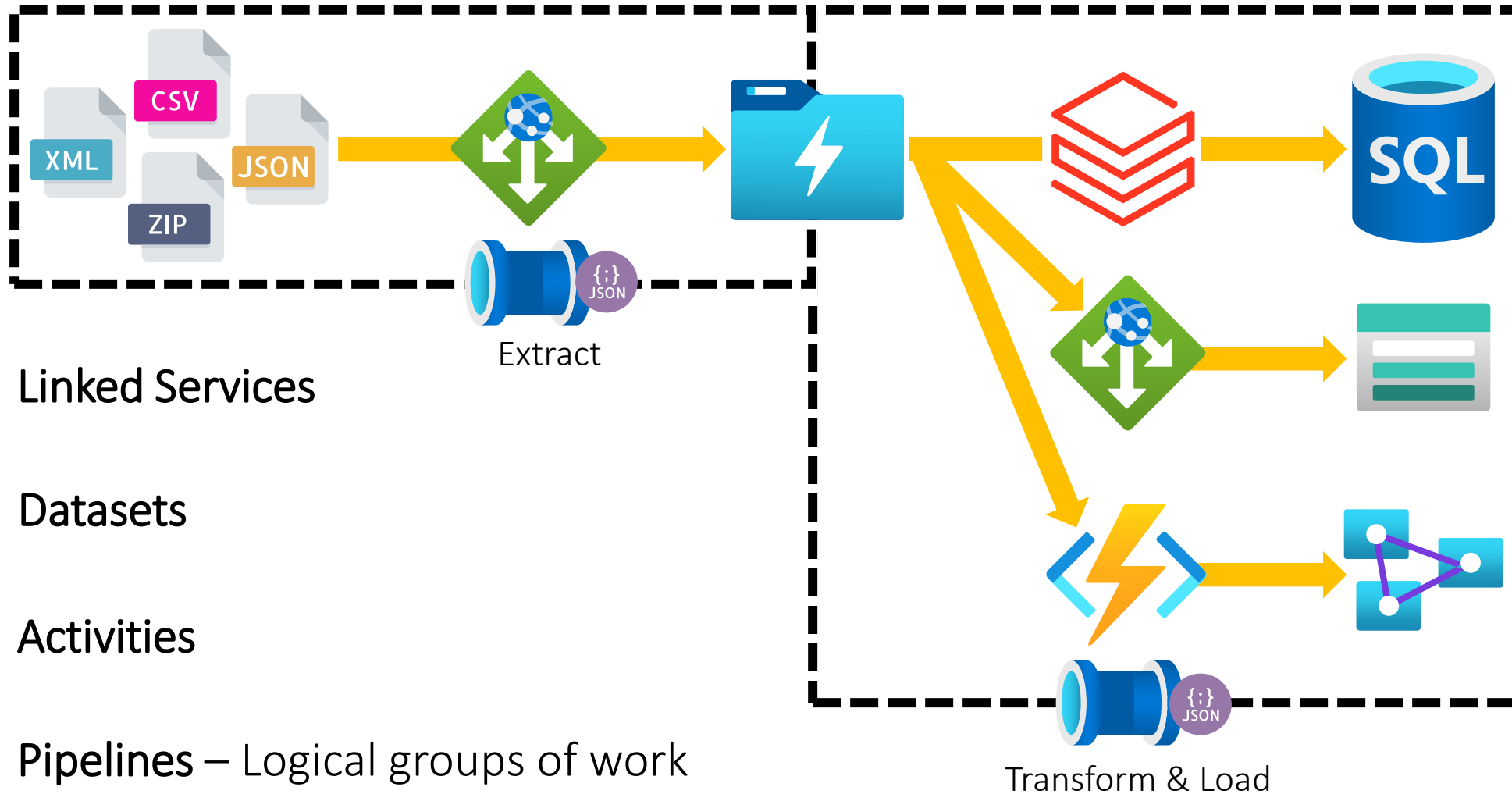
3 Activities

4 **Pipelines** – Logical groups of work that can be executed.





# Data Factory Components



1

Linked Services

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Datasets

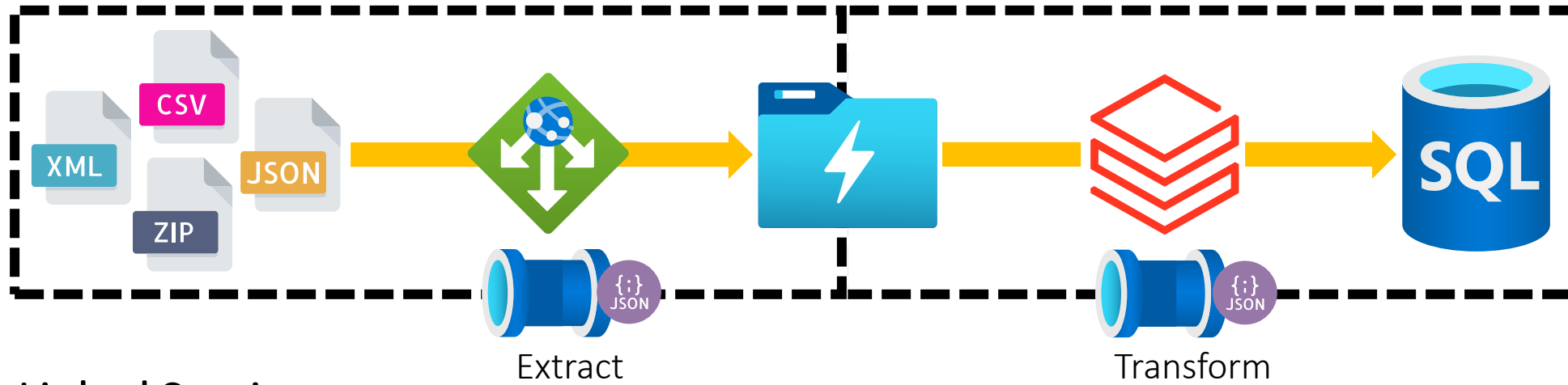
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Activities

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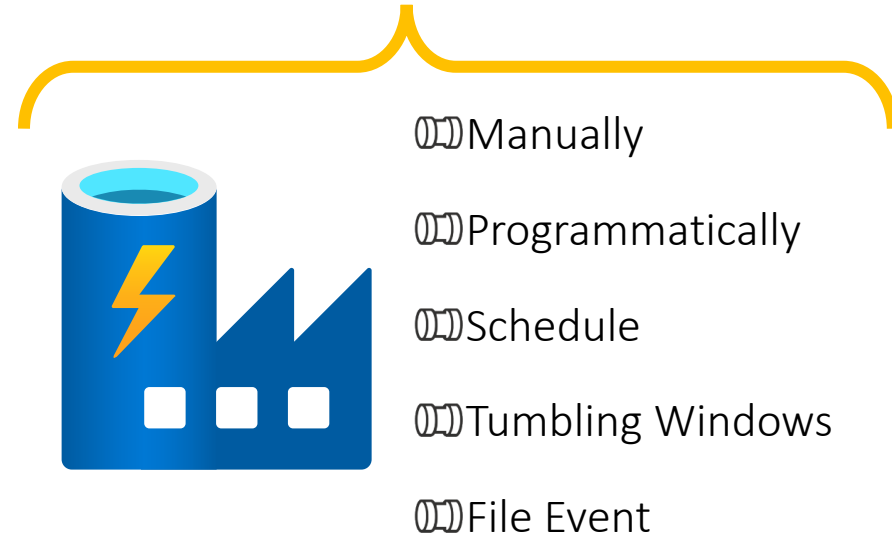
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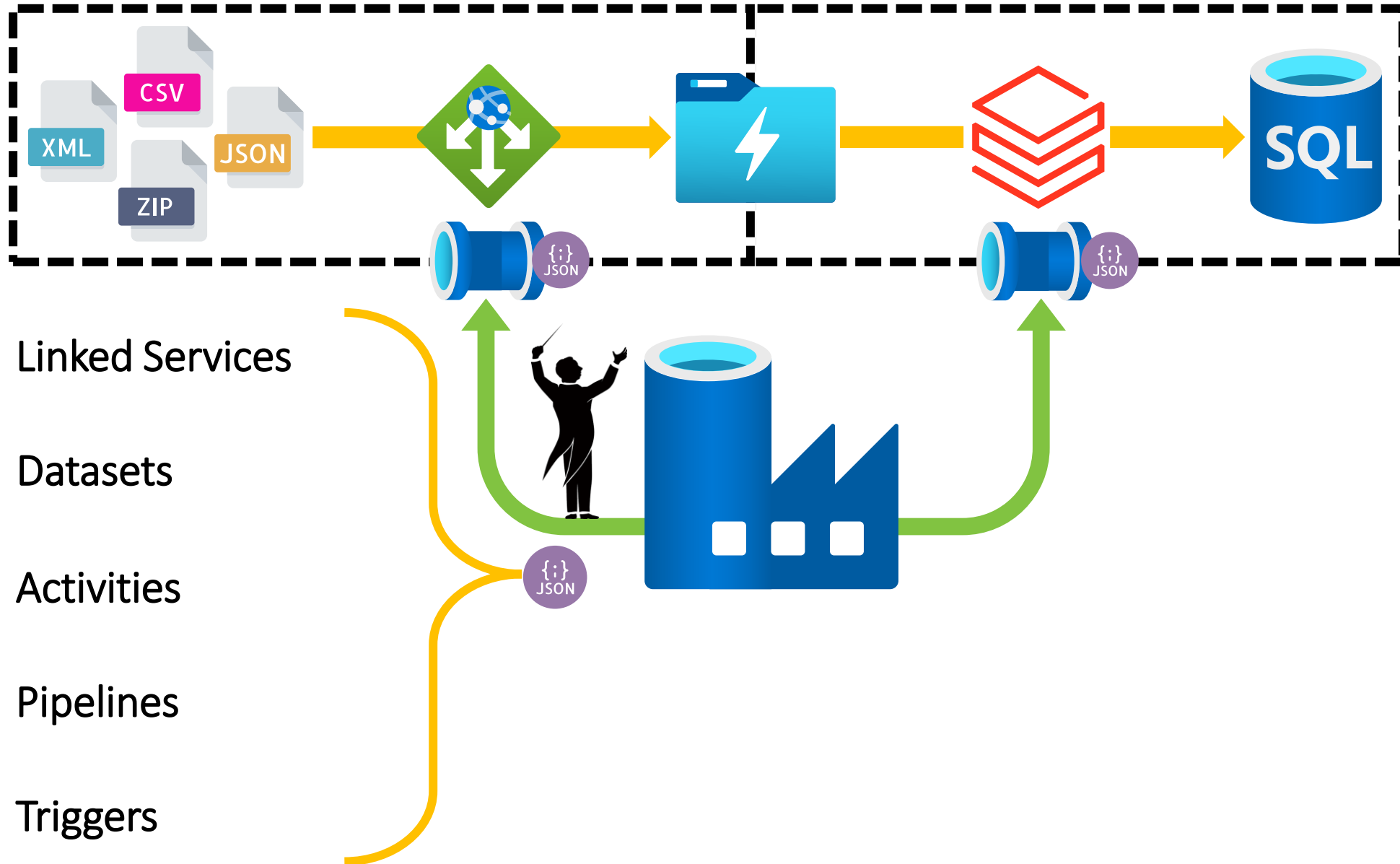
3 Activities

4 Pipelines

5 Triggers – Telling our when pipelines to run.



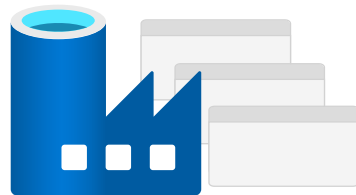
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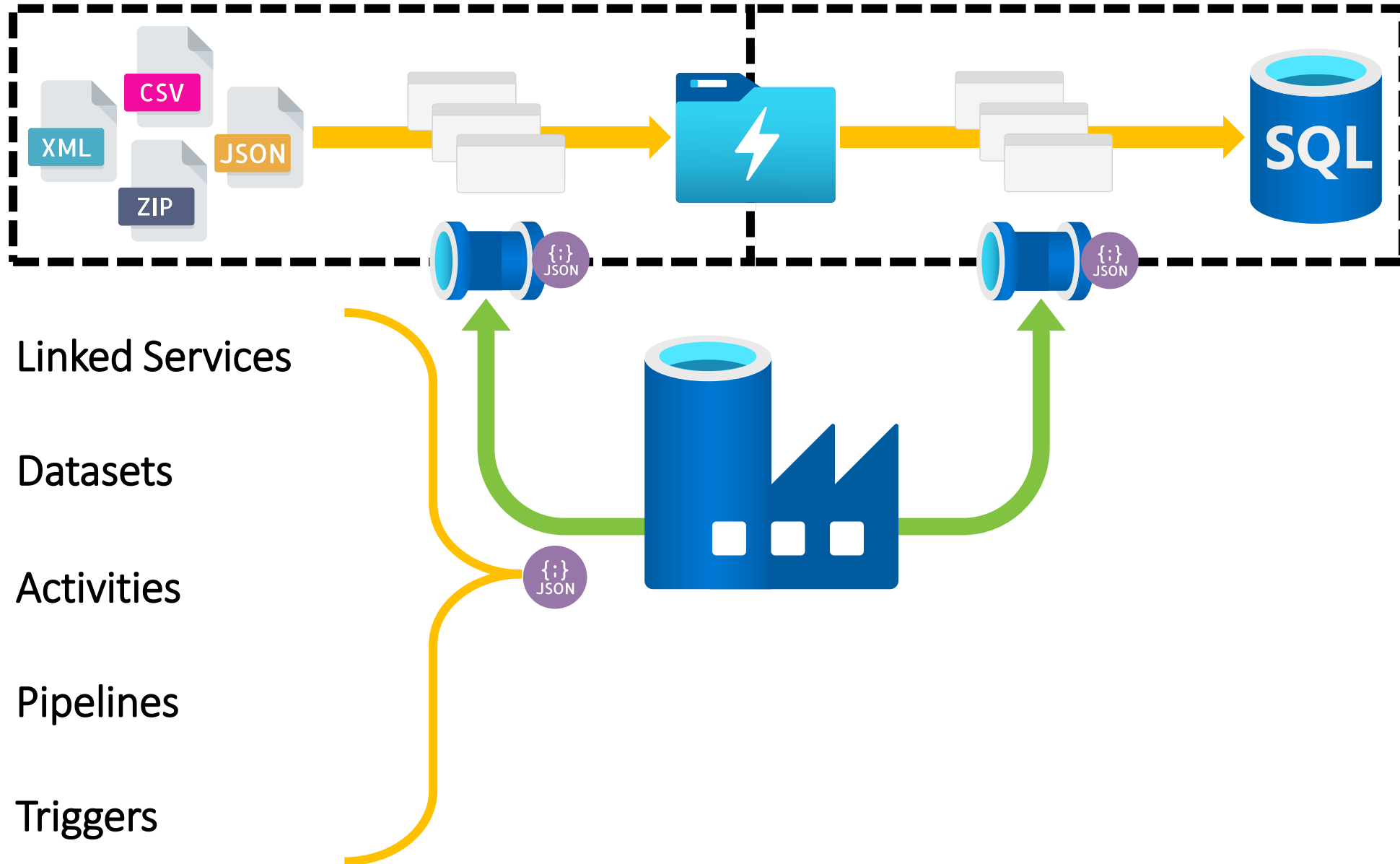


# Common Activities

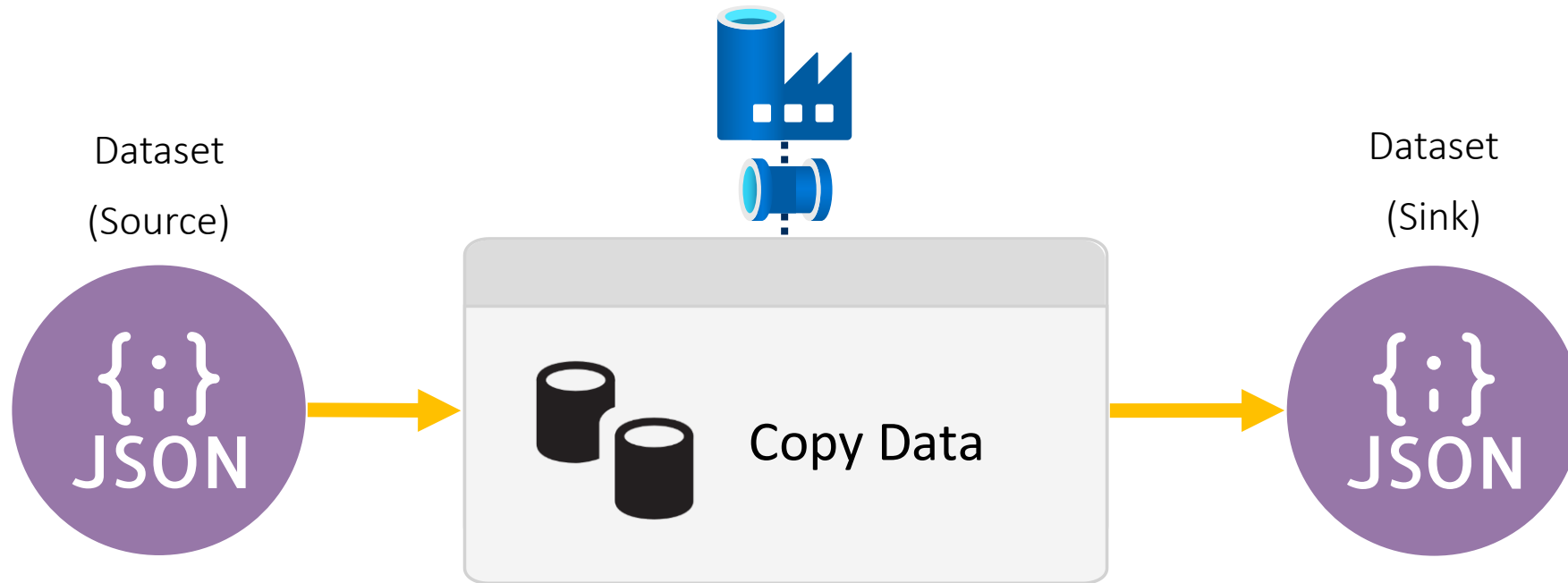
```
SELECT TOP 5
    [ActivityName],
    [Inputs],
    [Outputs],
    [Details]
FROM
    [metadata].[AdfActivities]
WHERE
    [Notes] = 'Pauls Favourites';
```



# Data Factory Common Activities



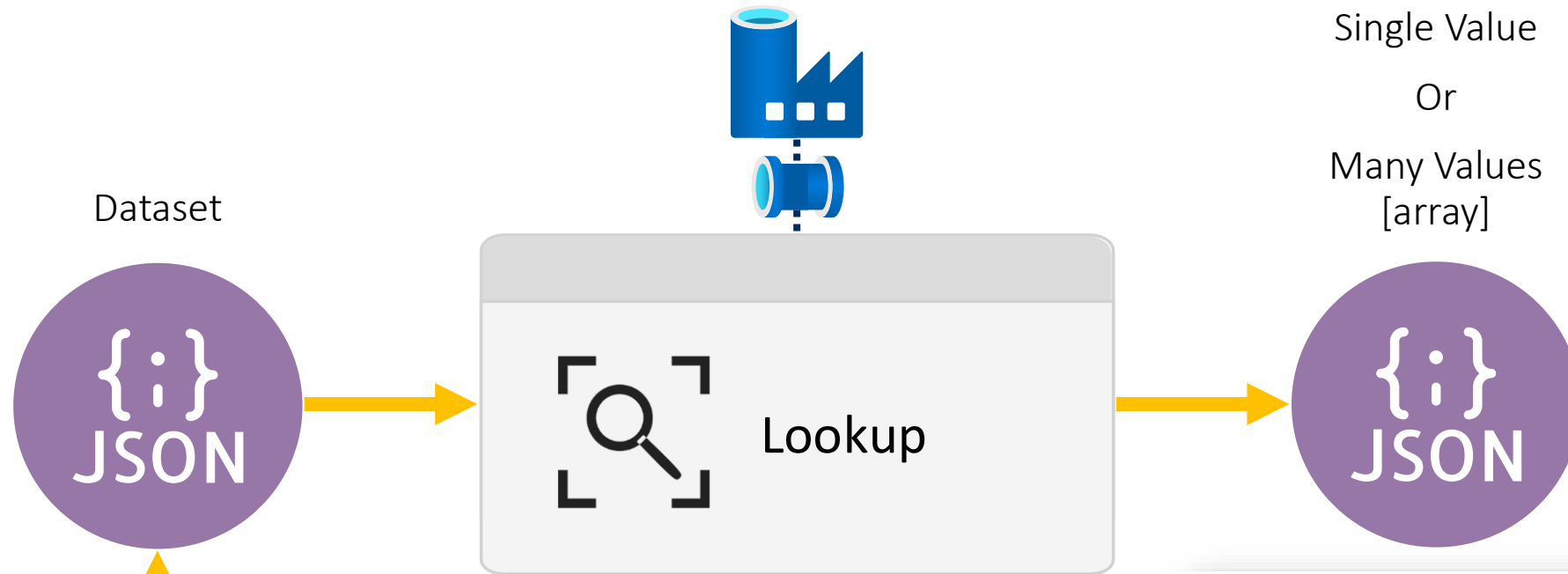
# Copy



- ☞ Auto Scaling
- ☞ Transactional Restarts
- ☞ Handle Zip Compression
- ☞ Attribute Mapping and Schema Drift
- ☞ Handle Failed Rows
- ☞ Add Custom Attributes
- ☞ Parse Excel & JSON Files

# Lookup

Get value to support other control flow activities



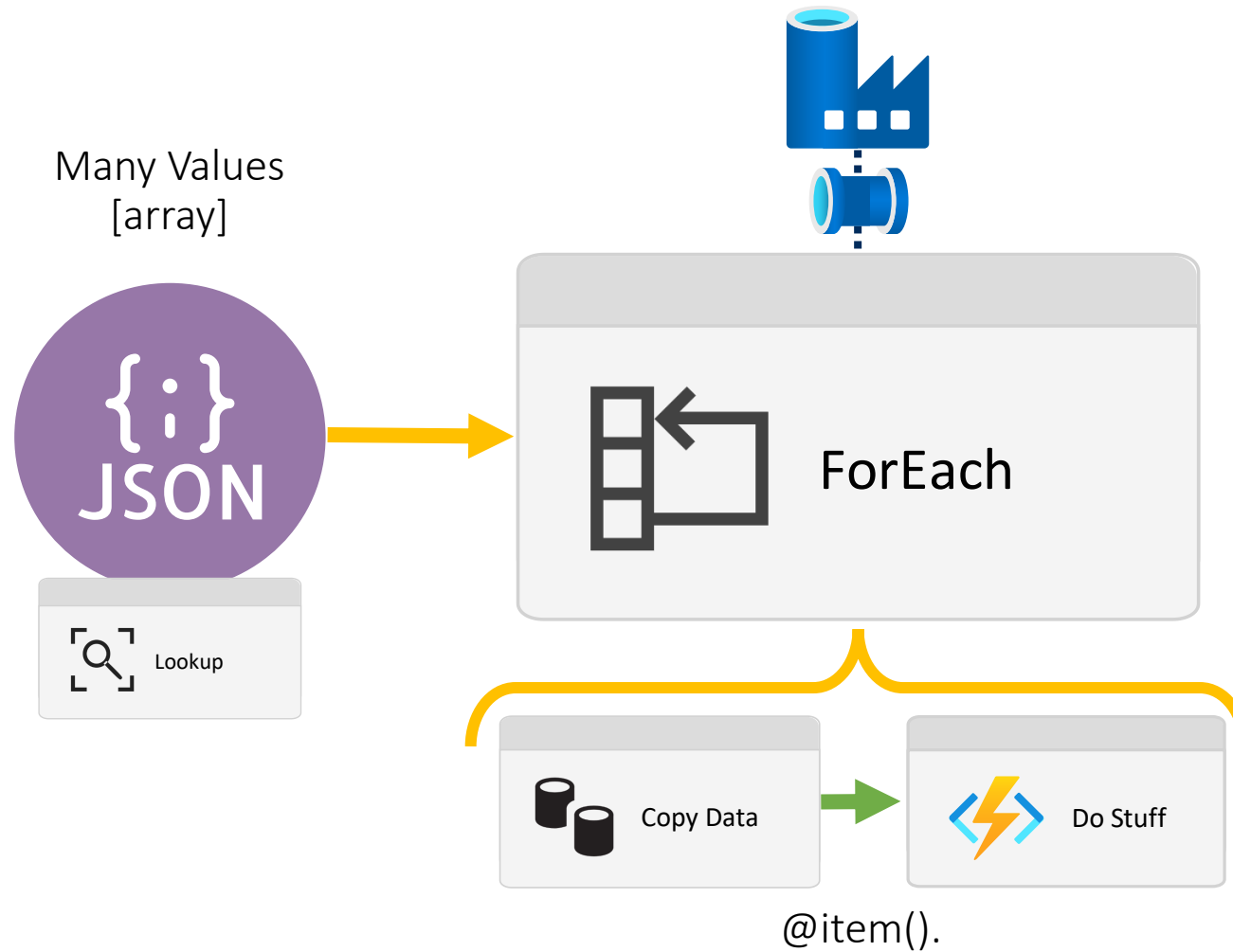
```
SELECT  
  [SourceDIR],  
  [TargetDIR],  
  [FileName]  
FROM  
  [dbo].[FileList]
```

```
{  
  "count": 3,  
  "value": [  
    {  
      "SourceDIR": "ADFRoot\\ForUpload\\People\\",  
      "TargetDIR": "RAW",  
      "FileName": "Address.csv"  
    },  
    {  
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}
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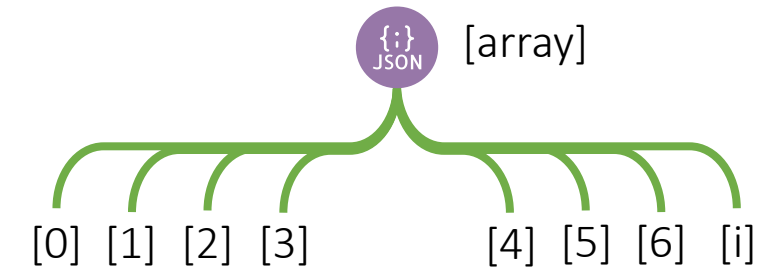
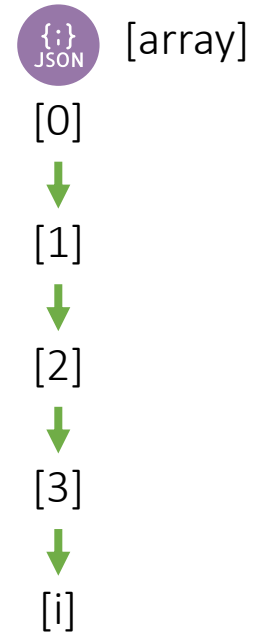


# ForEach

Scaling Out Control Flow Activities



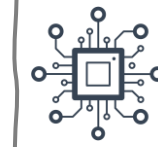
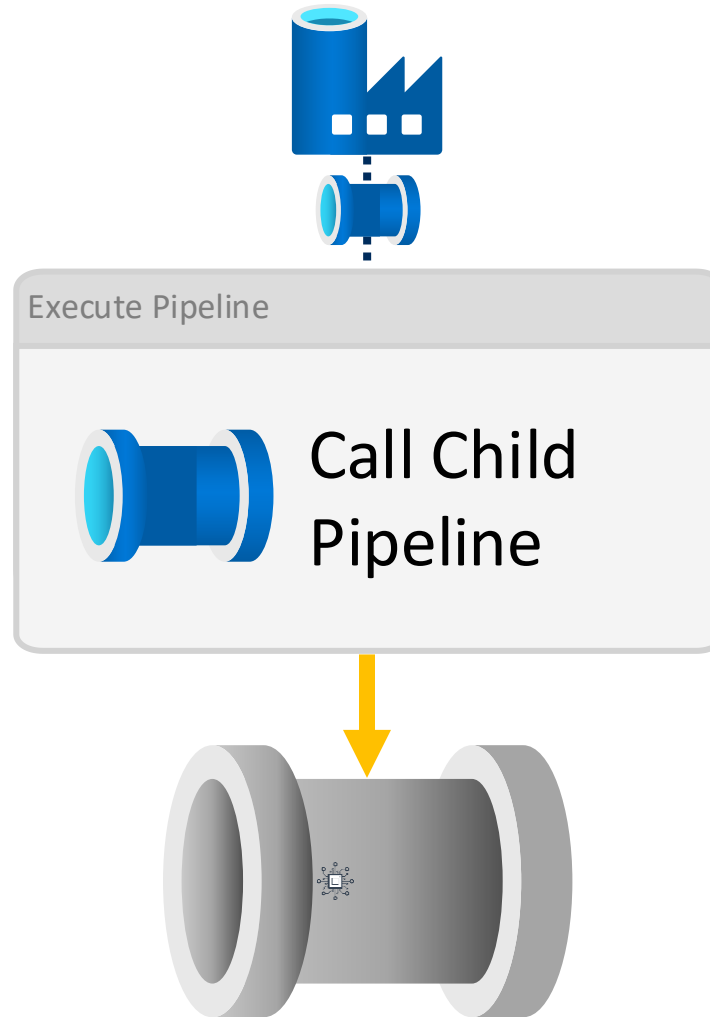
IsSequential:  
true



Batch Count Default: 20

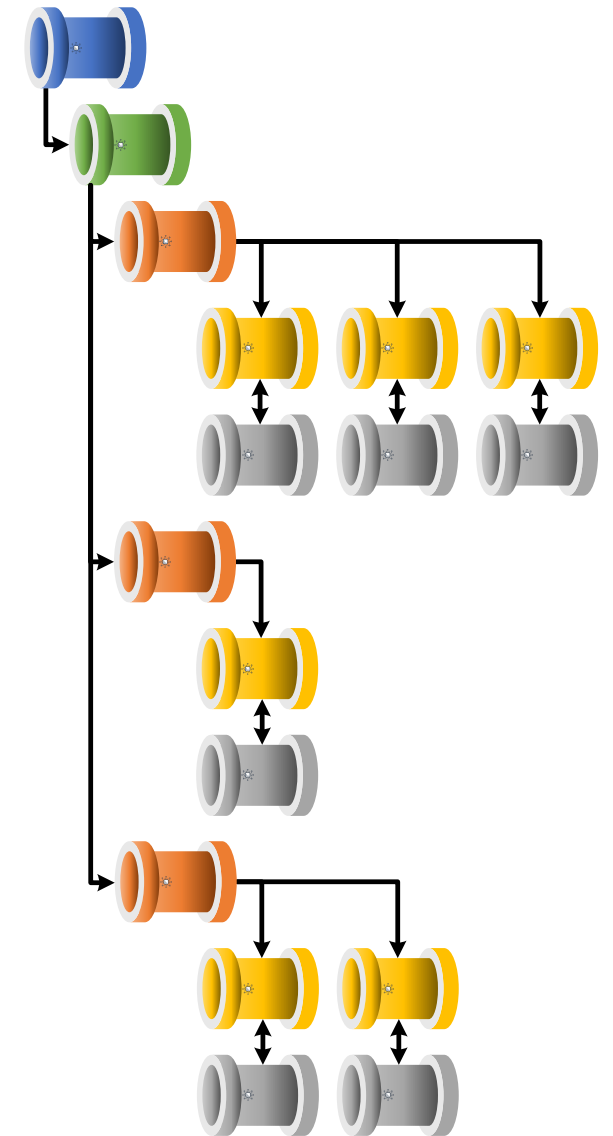
Batch Count Max: 50

# Execute Pipeline



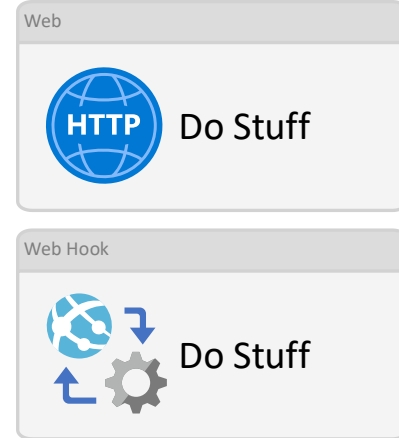
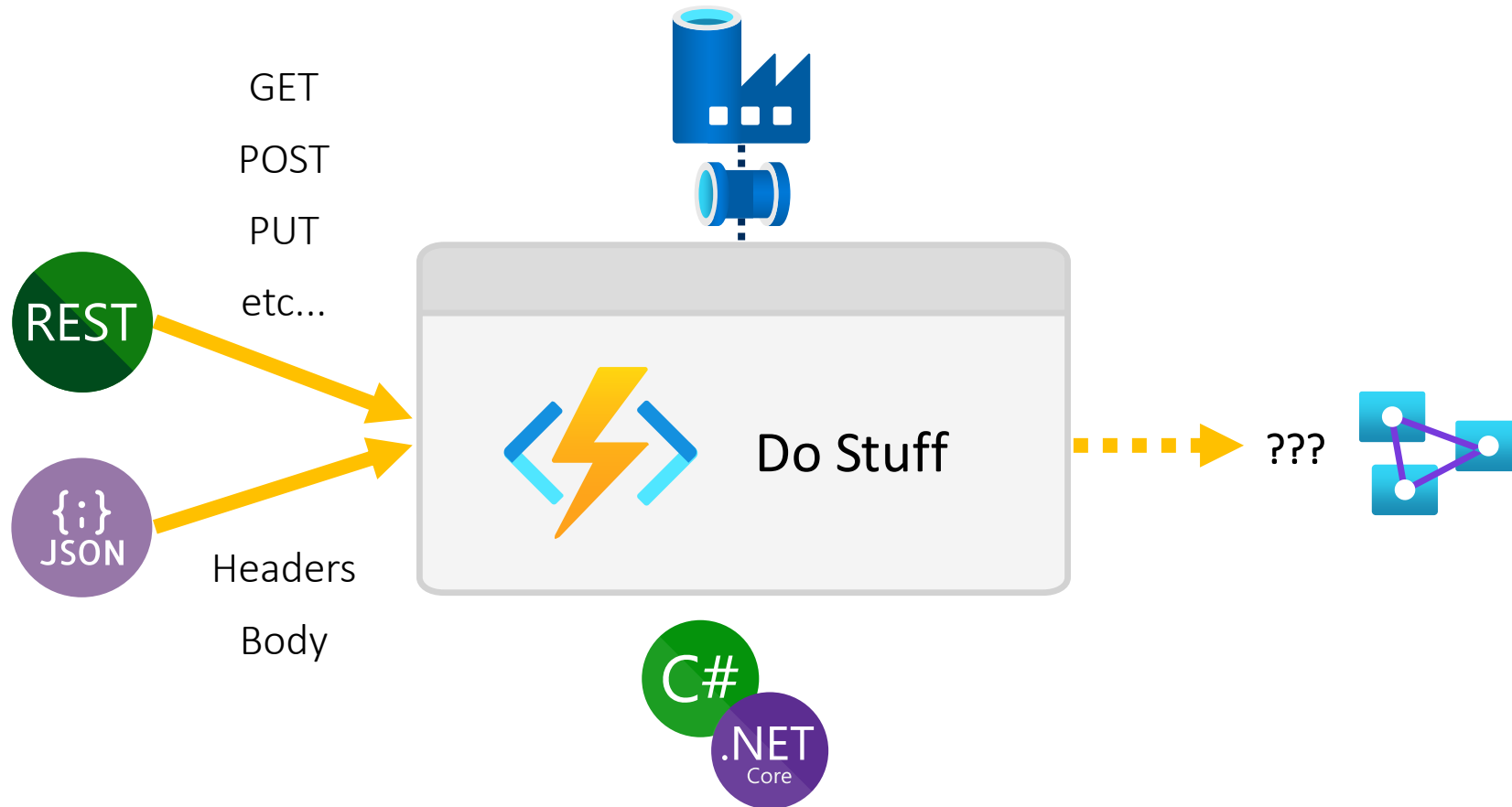
Pipeline Hierarchies Generation Control

<https://mrpaulandrew.com/2019/09/25/azure-data-factory-pipeline-hierarchies-generation-control>



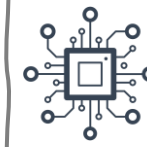
# Azure Function

Extend Data Factory with Rest Calls



# Custom

## Extend Data Factory with Custom Code



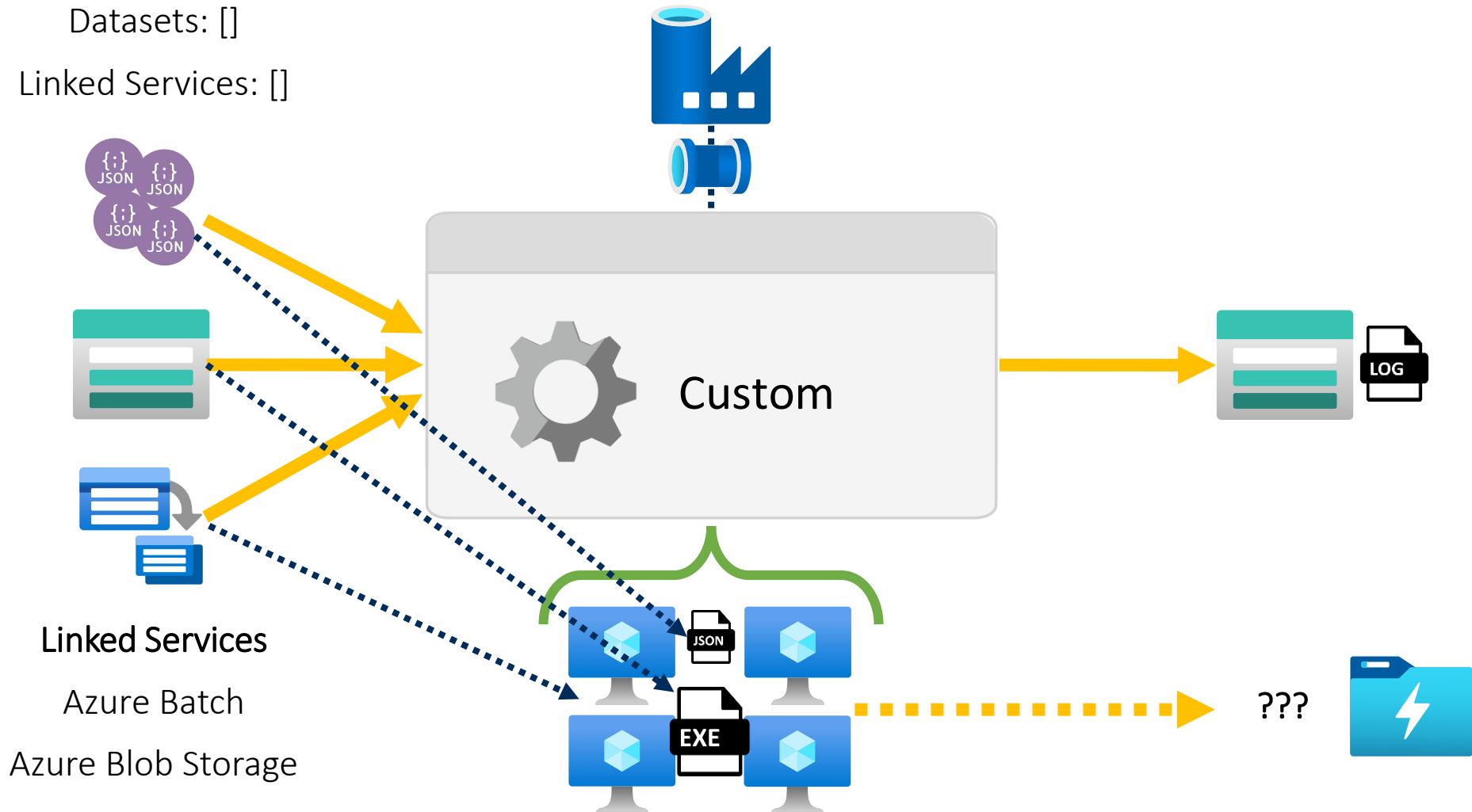
Creating a Custom Activity

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### References Objects

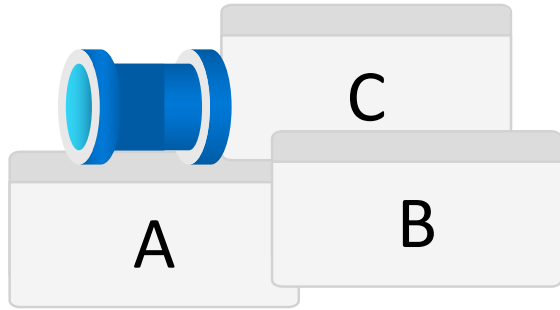
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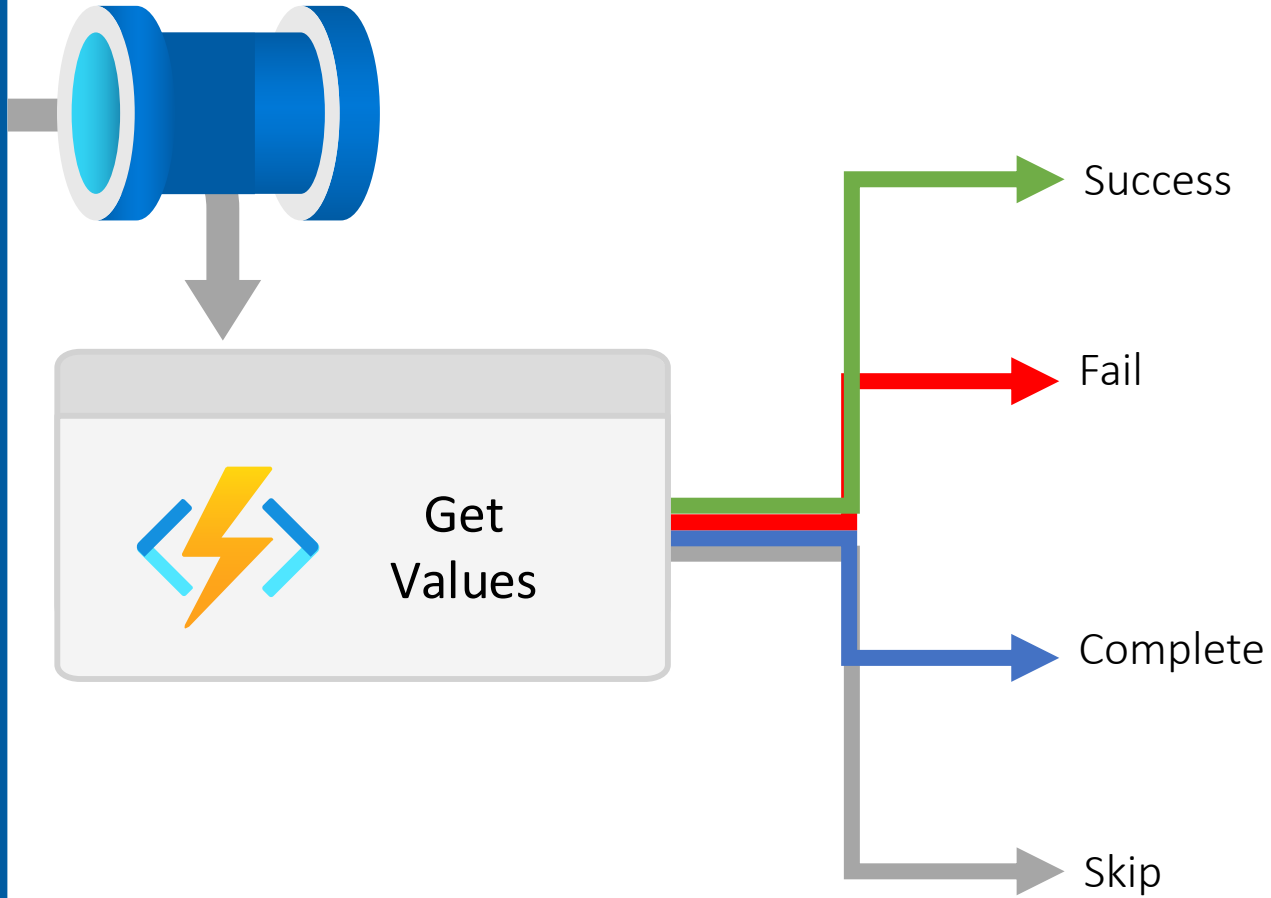




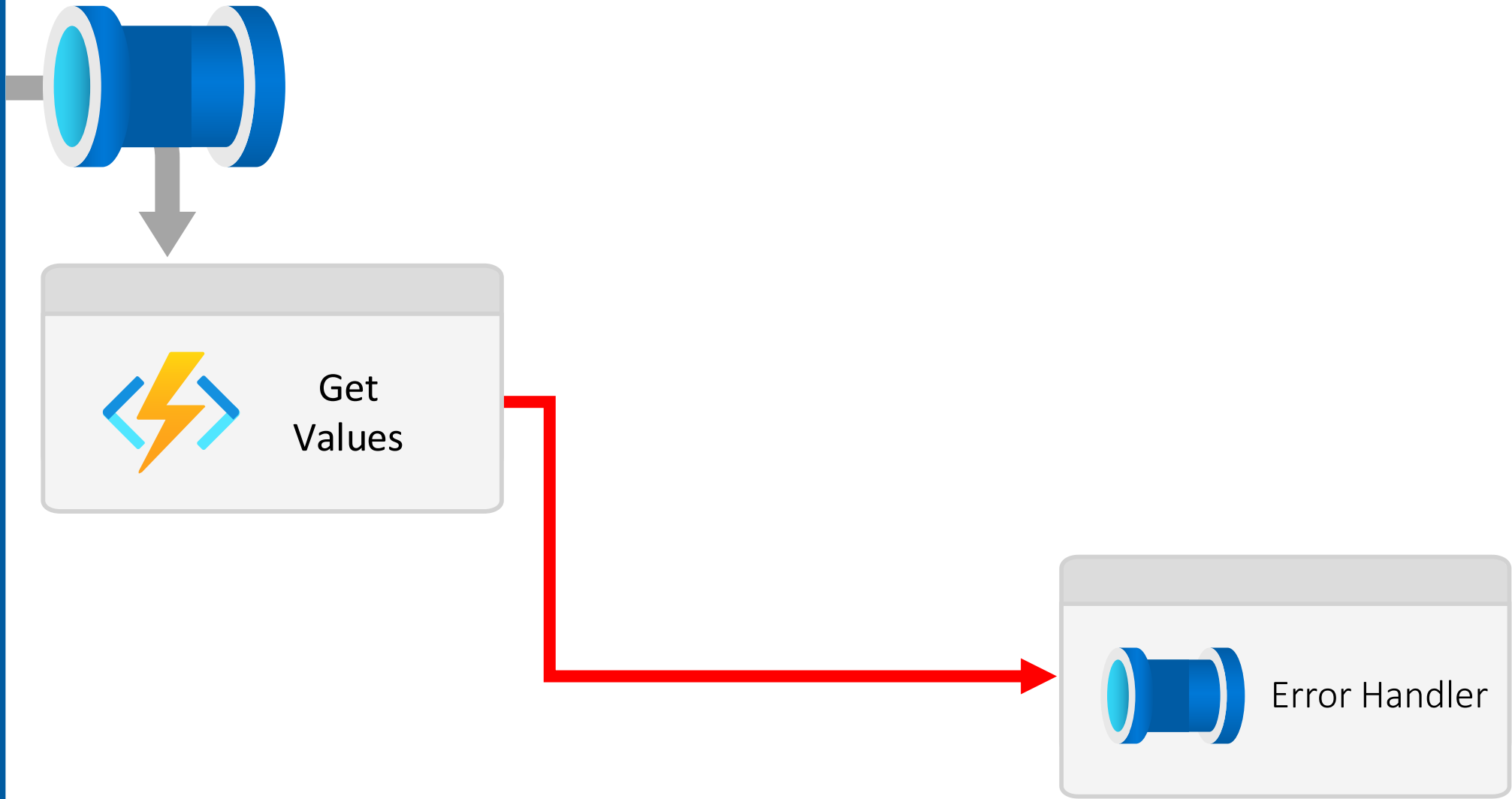
# Execution Dependencies



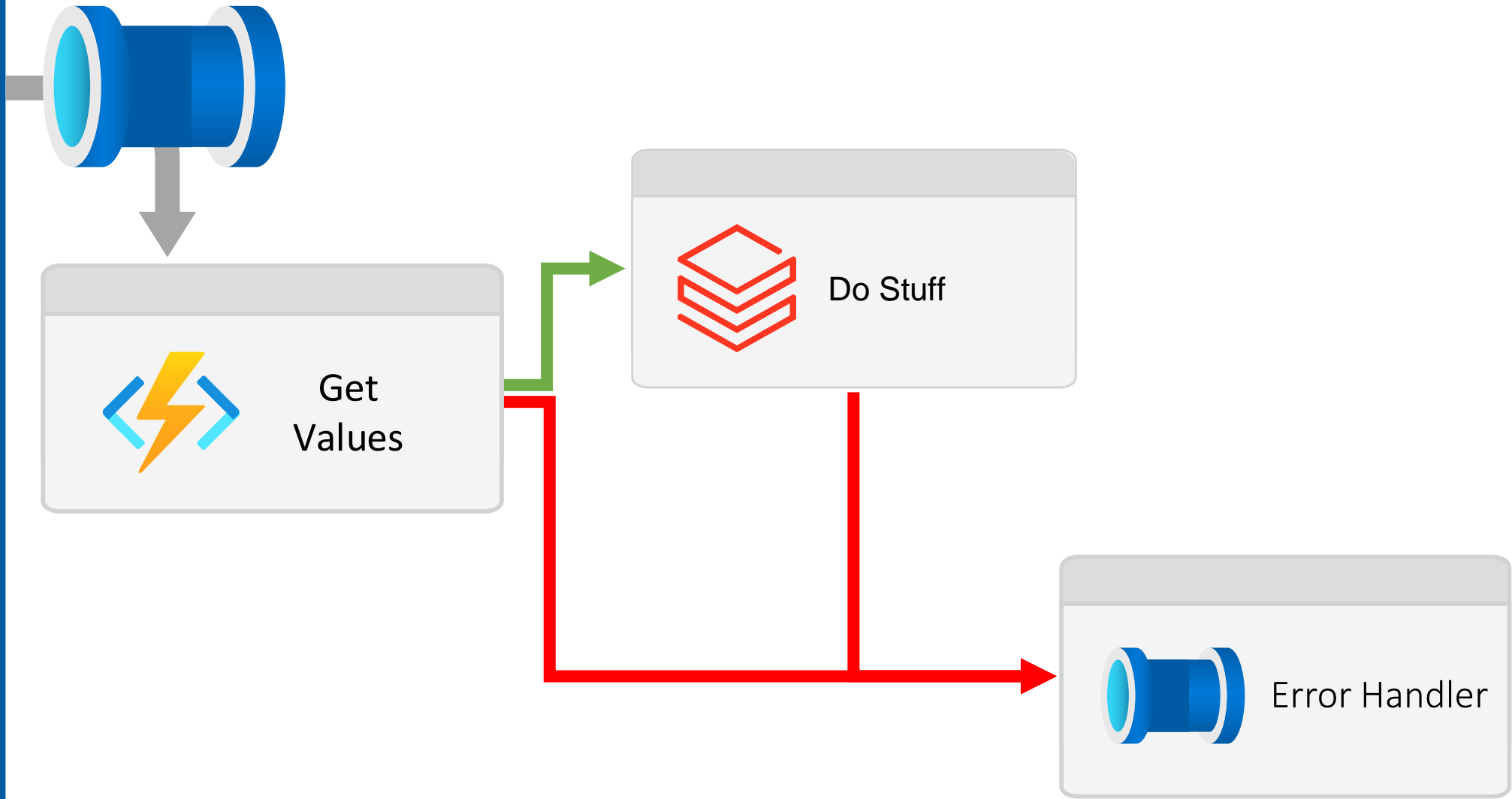
# Execution Dependency Options



# Execution On Failure

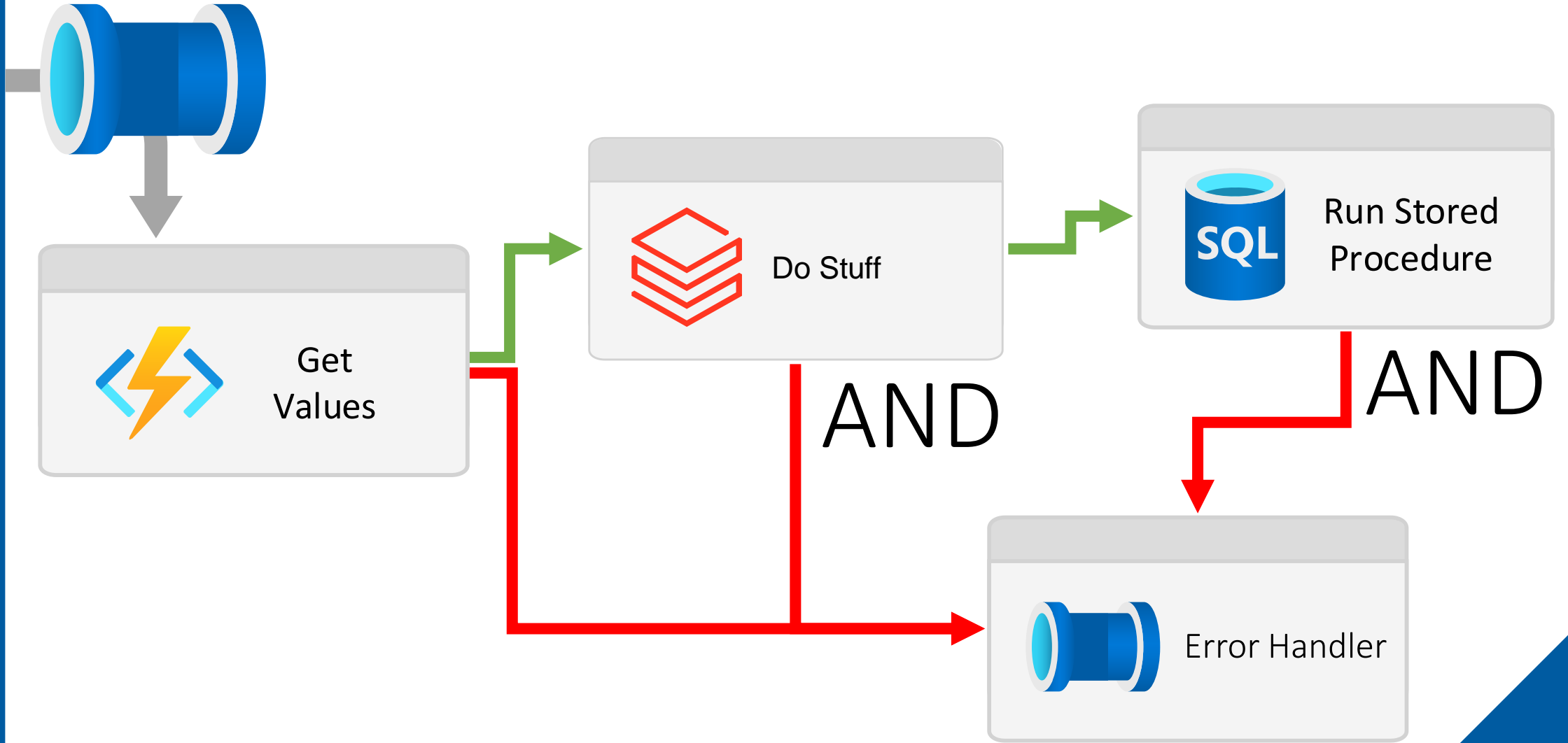


# Execution On Failure or On Success

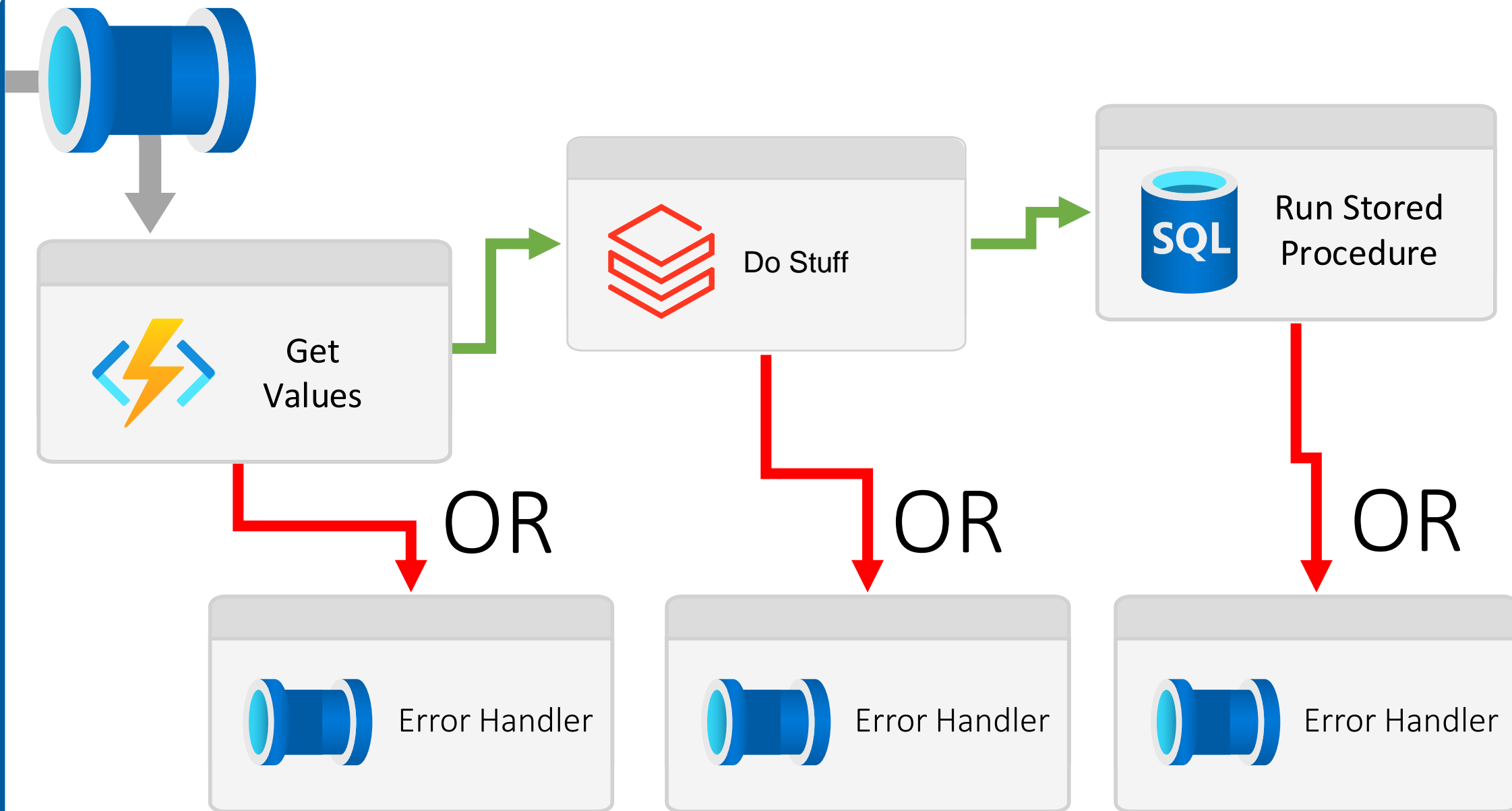




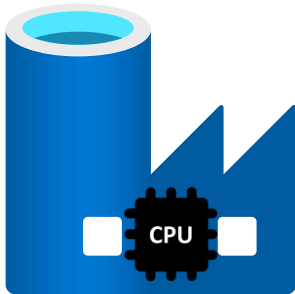
Execution On ???



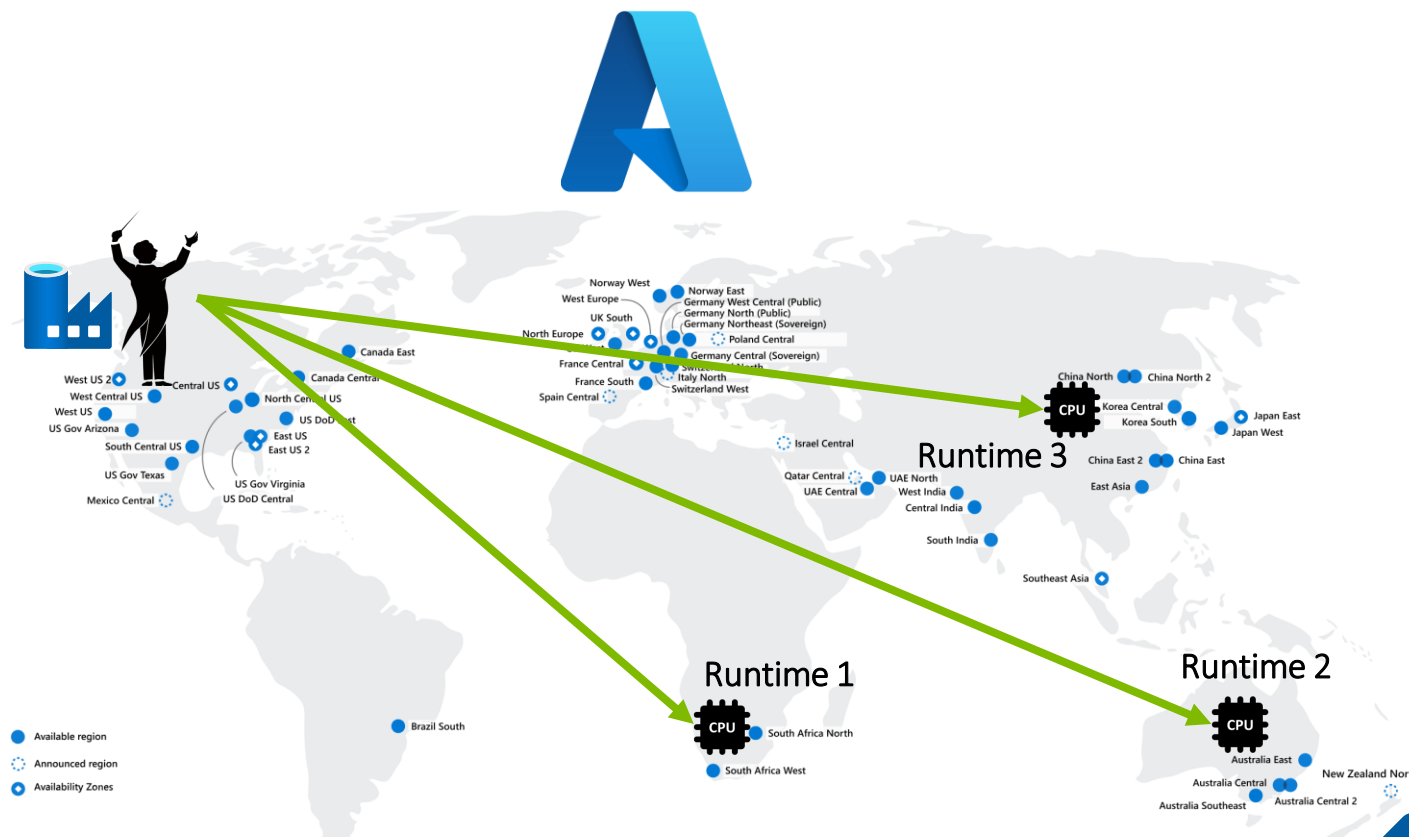
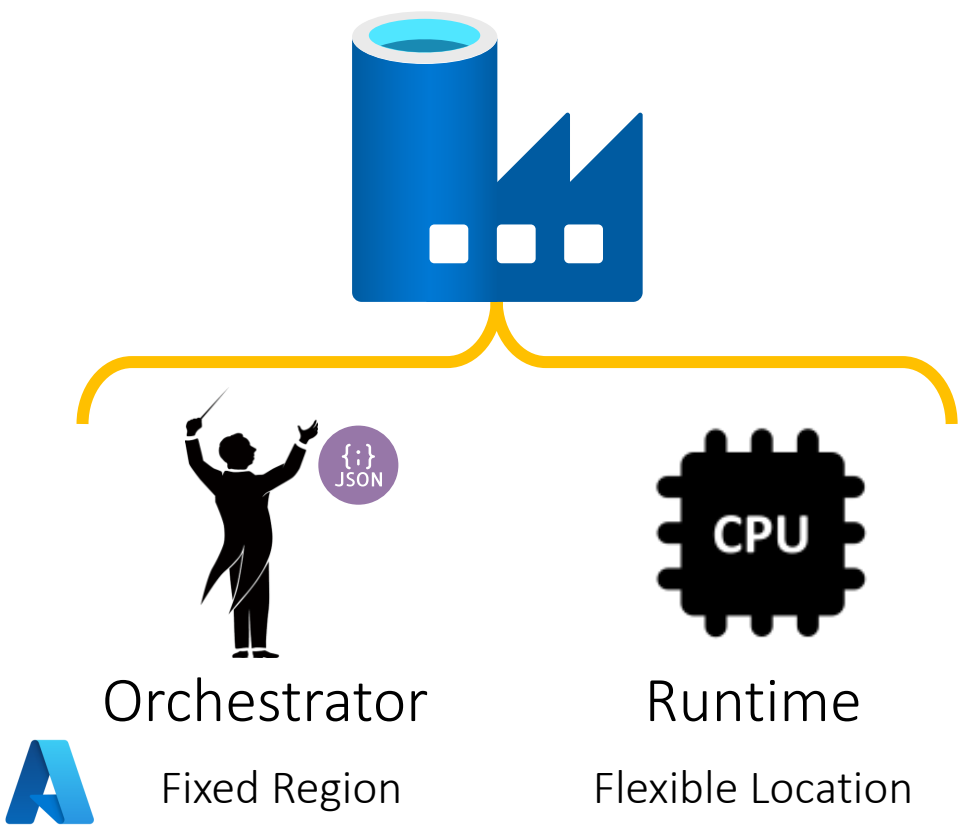
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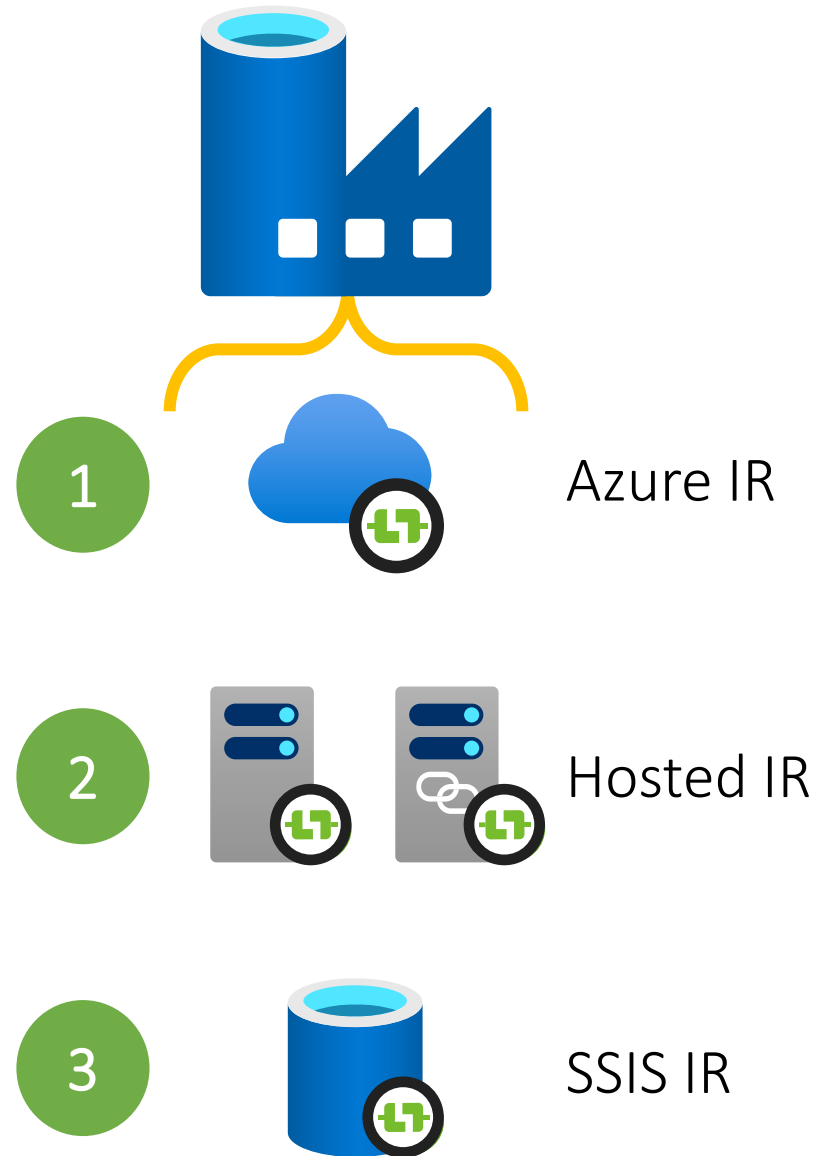
# Integration Runtimes



# What is an Integration Runtime?

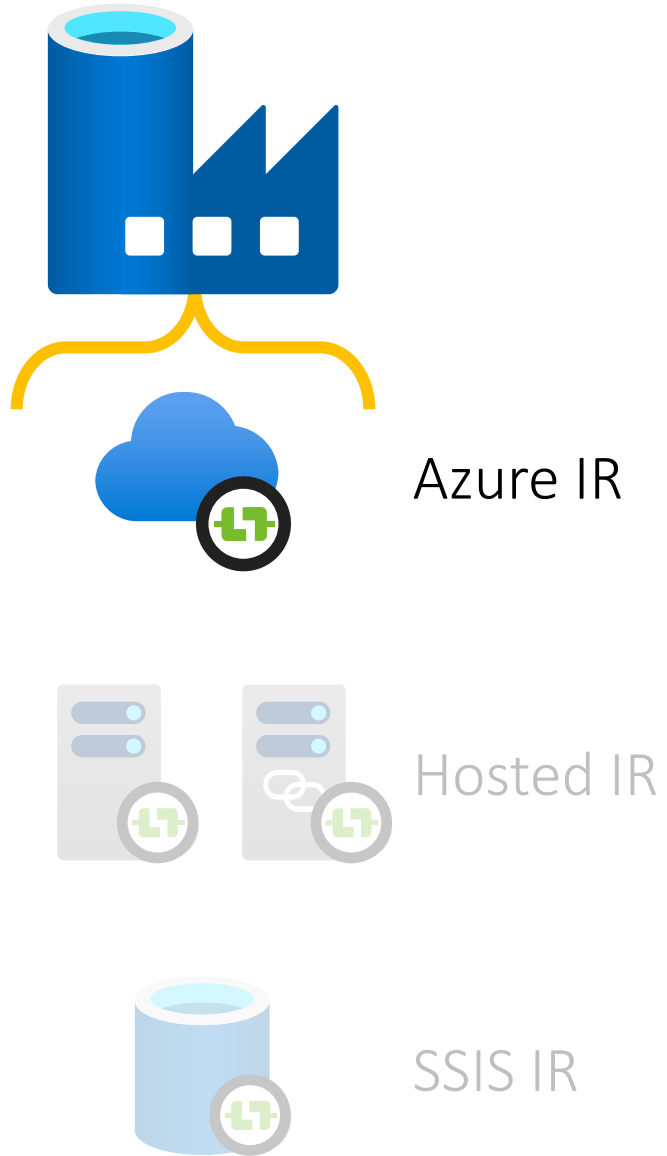


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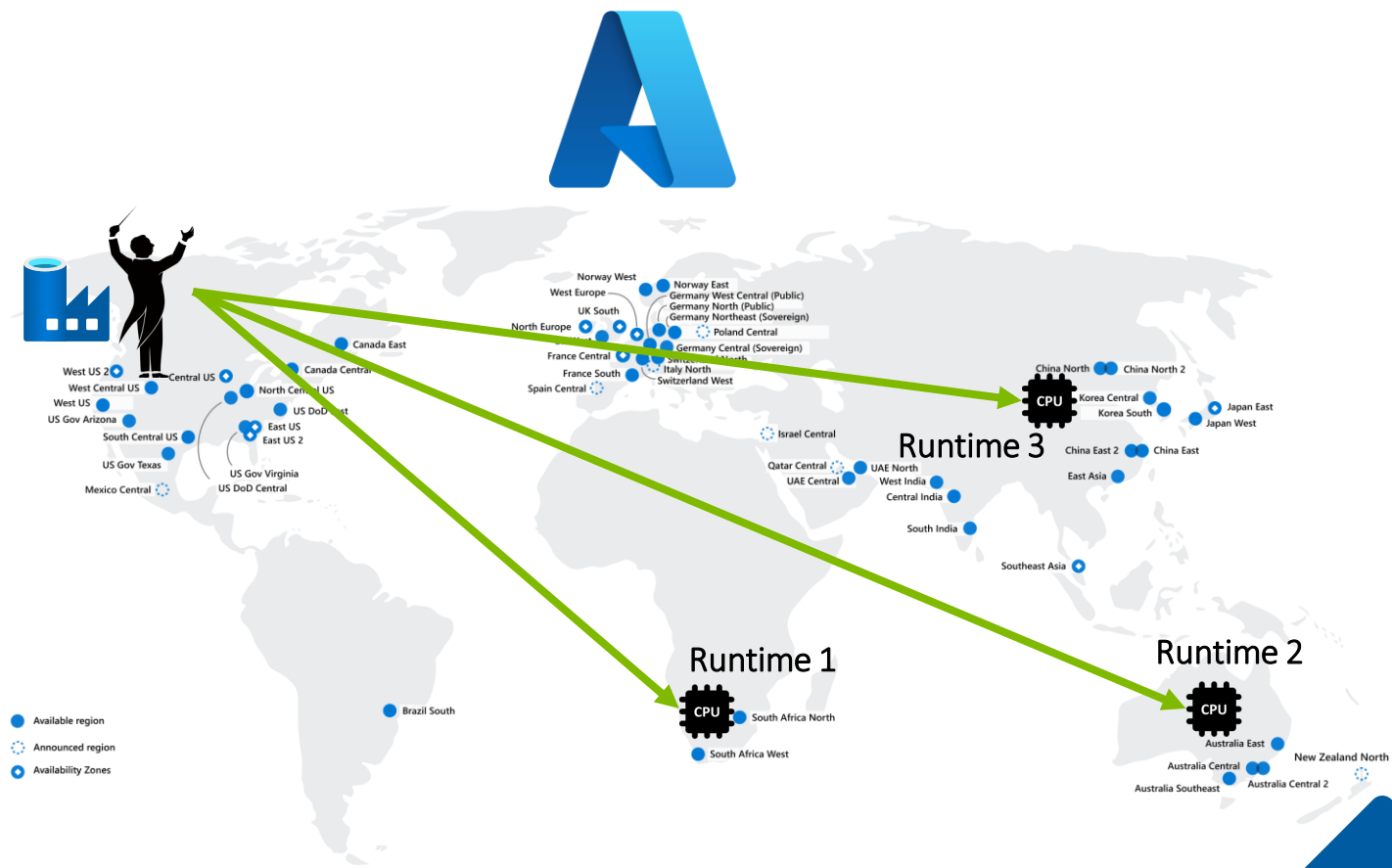
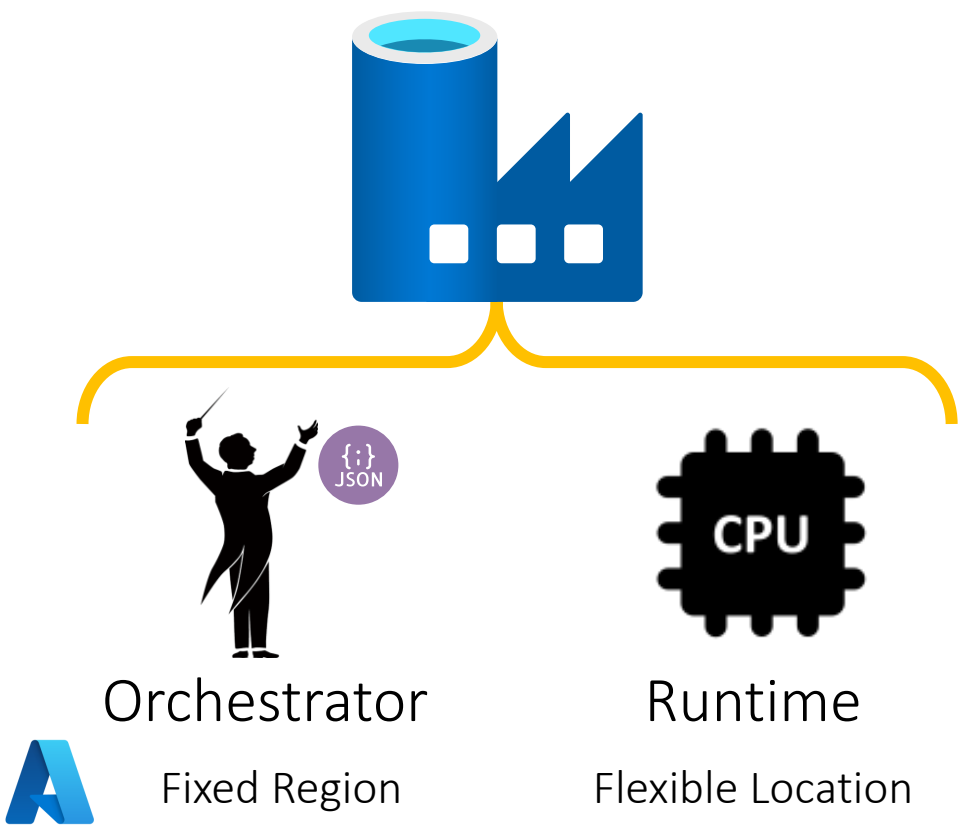





# Azure Integration Runtime



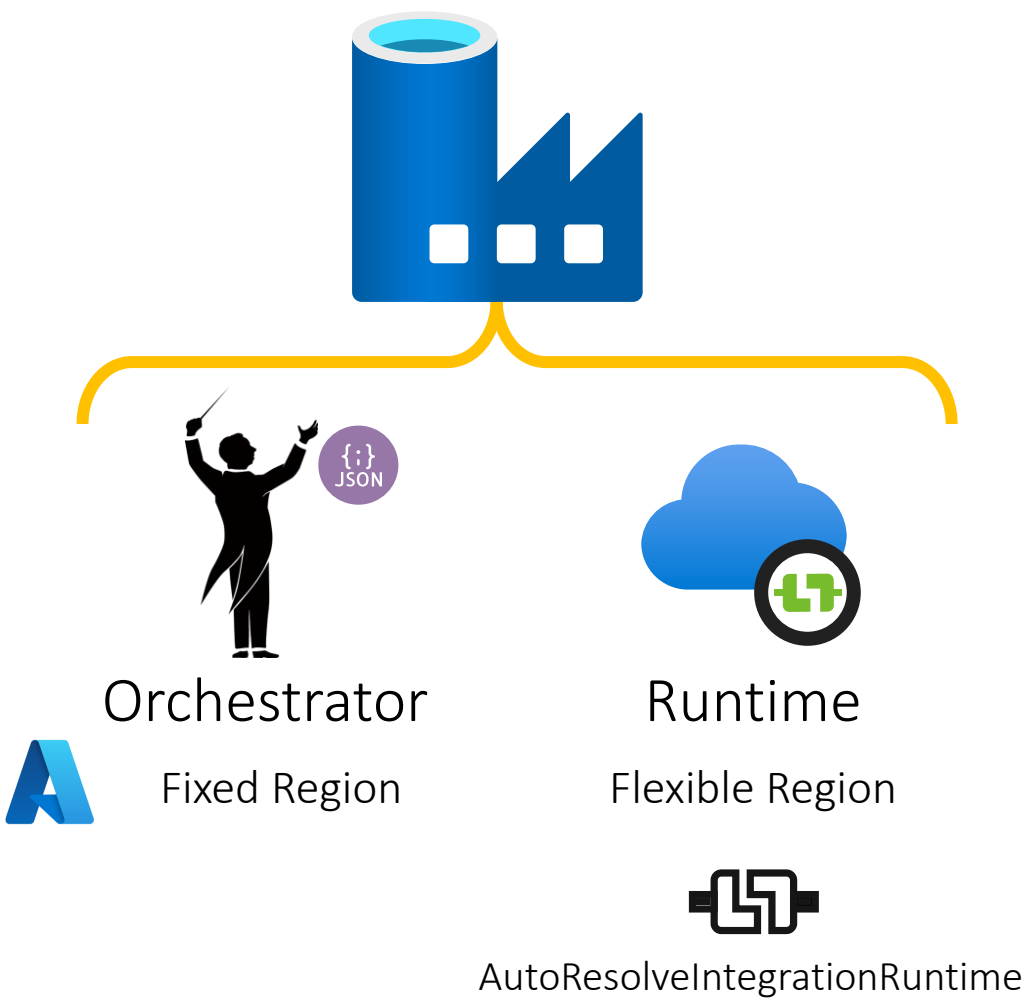
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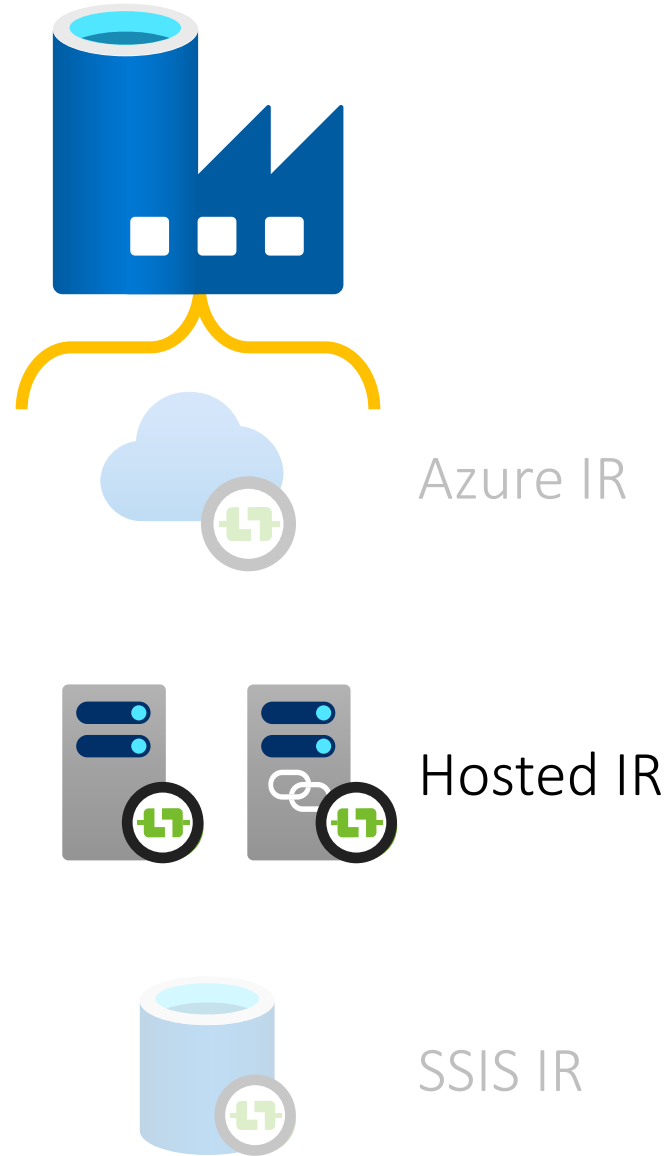
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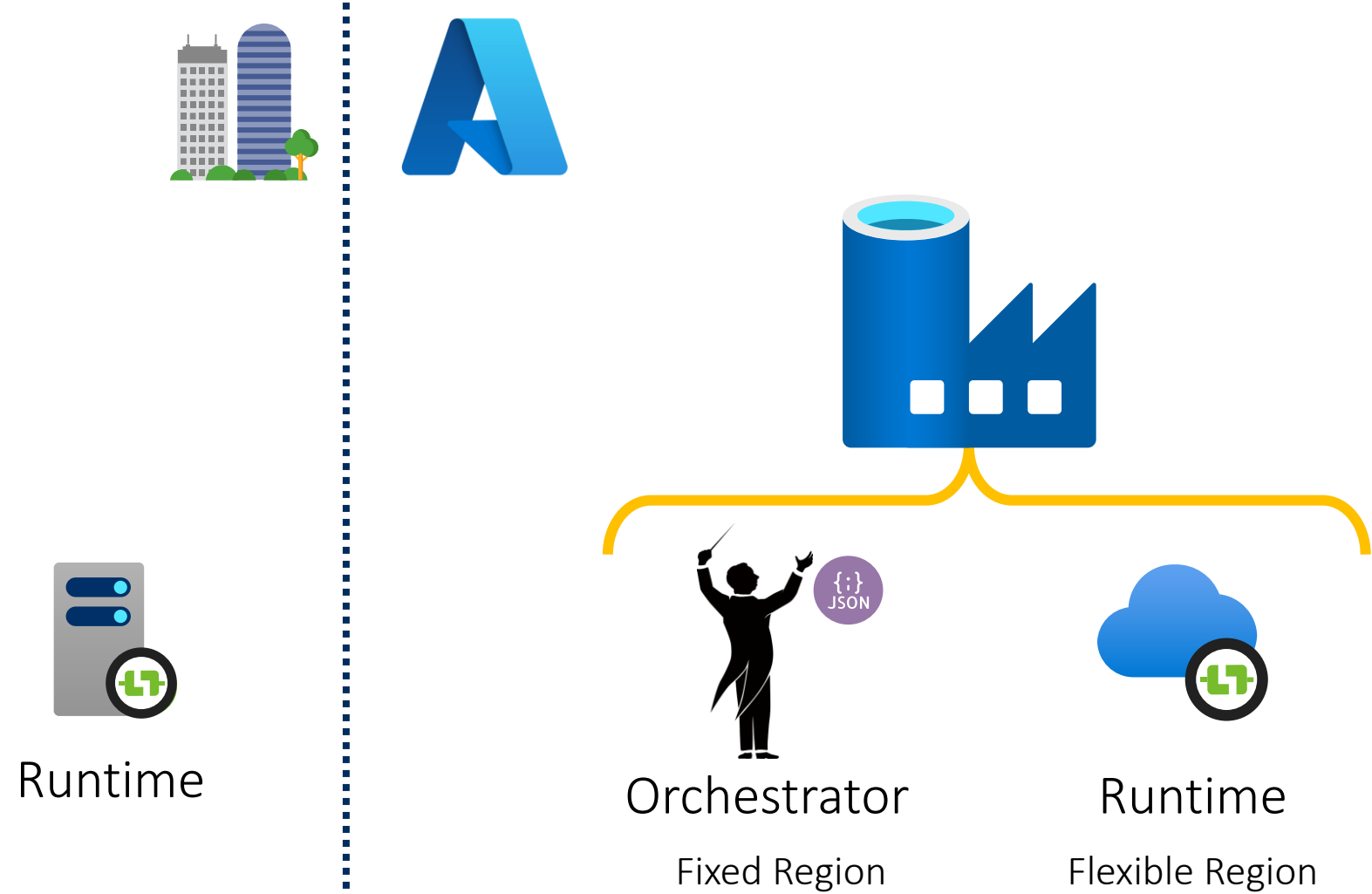
Internal vs External Activities  
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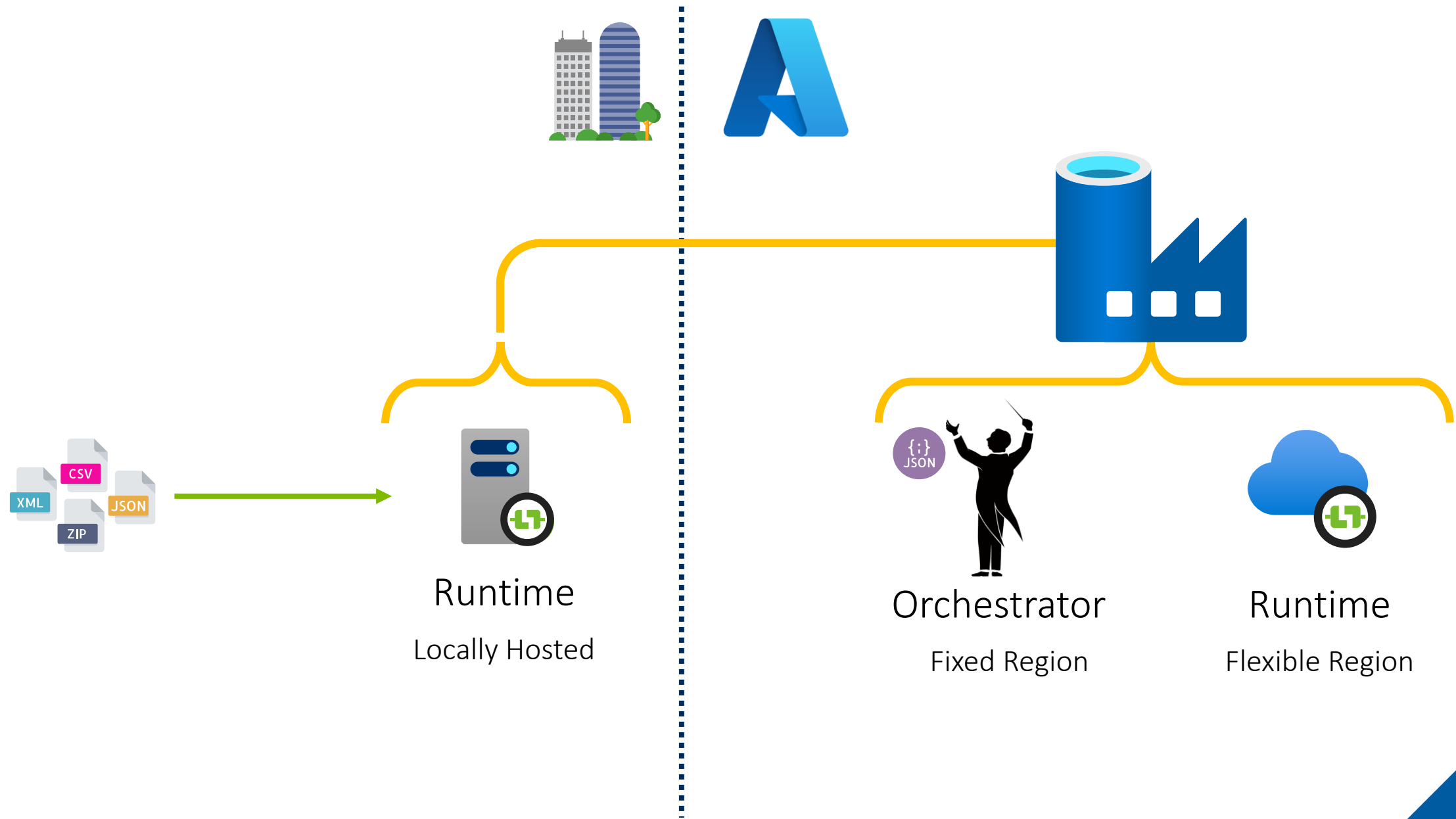
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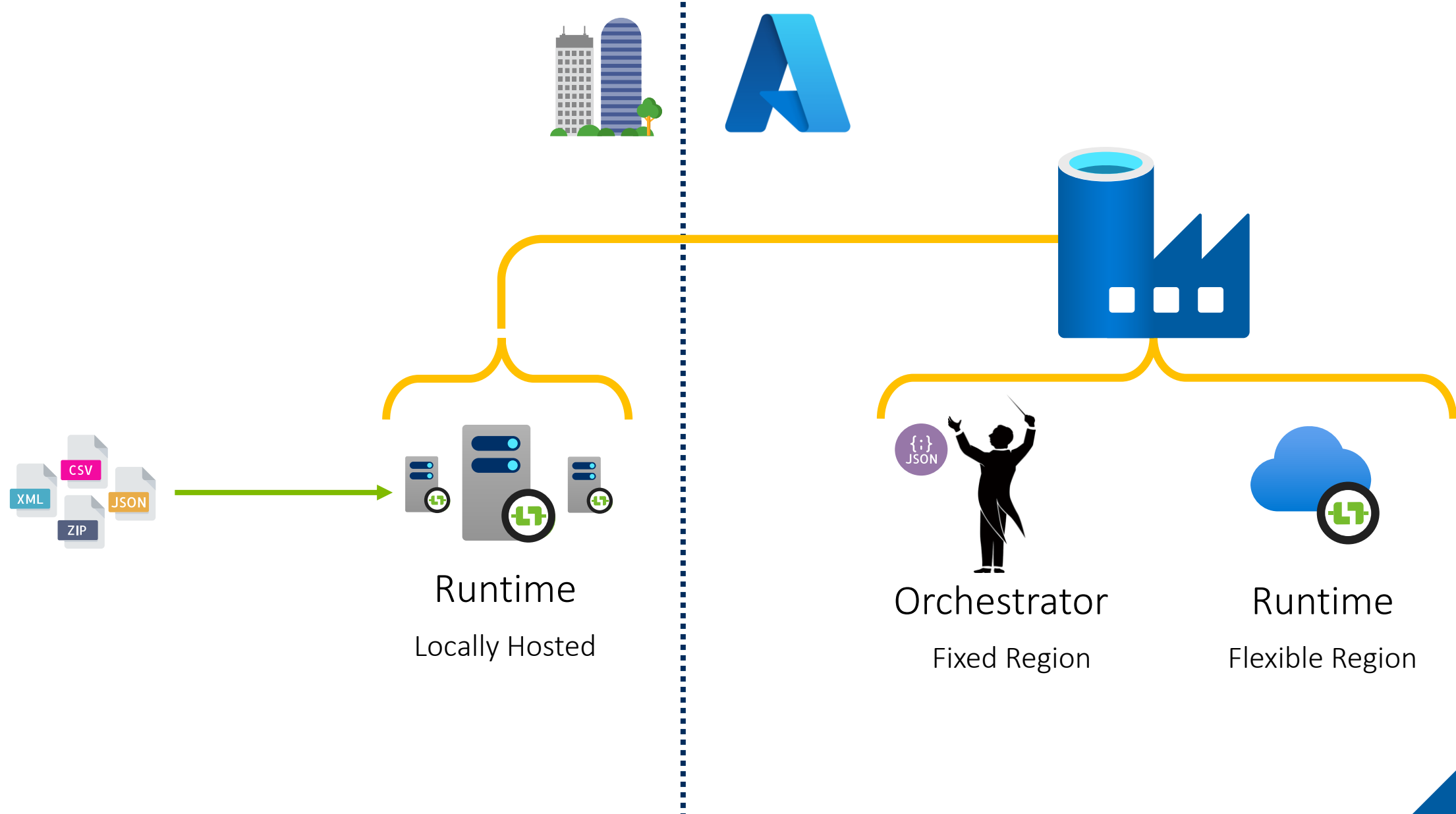


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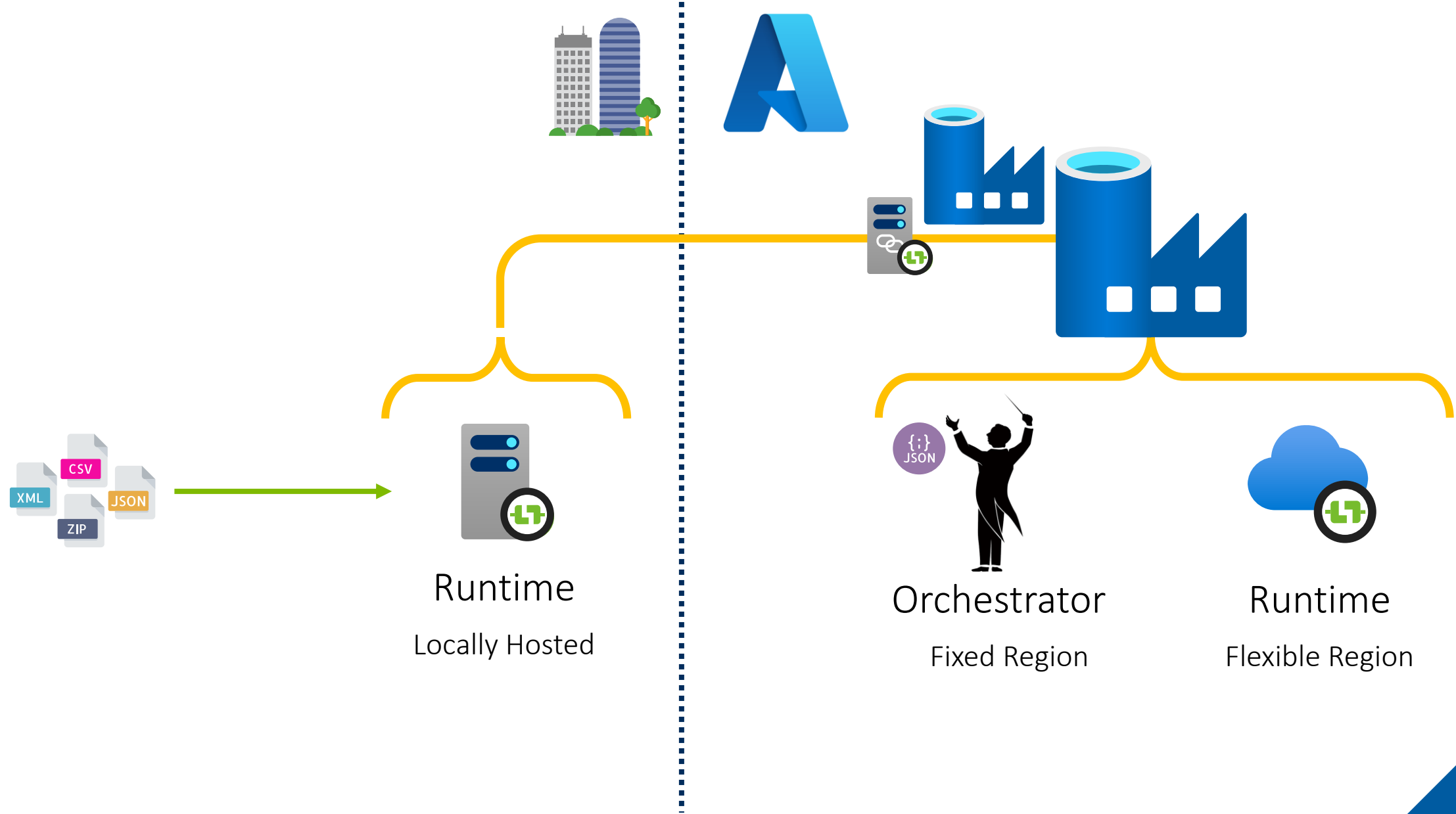




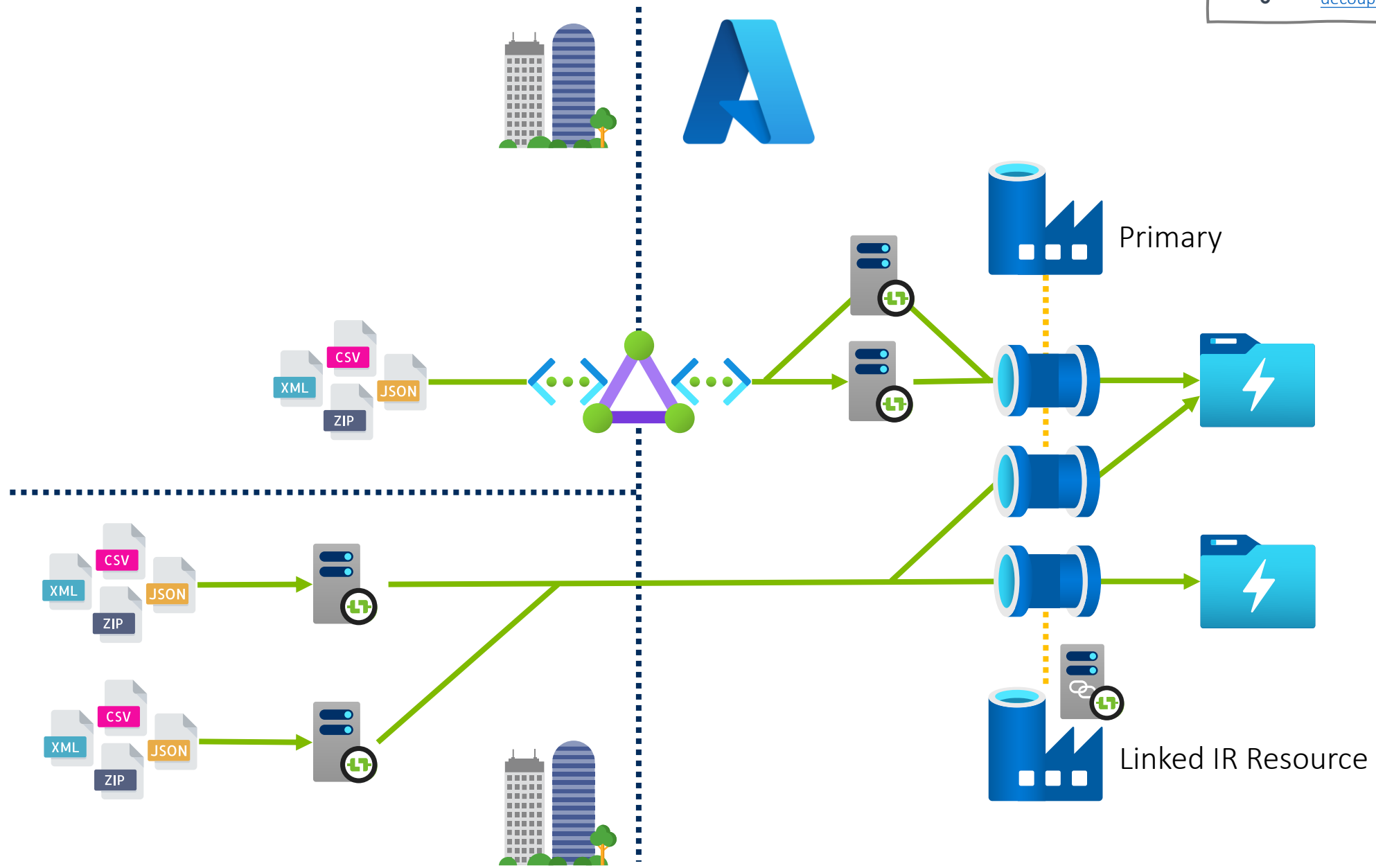
# Hosted Integration Runtime – Secondary Nodes



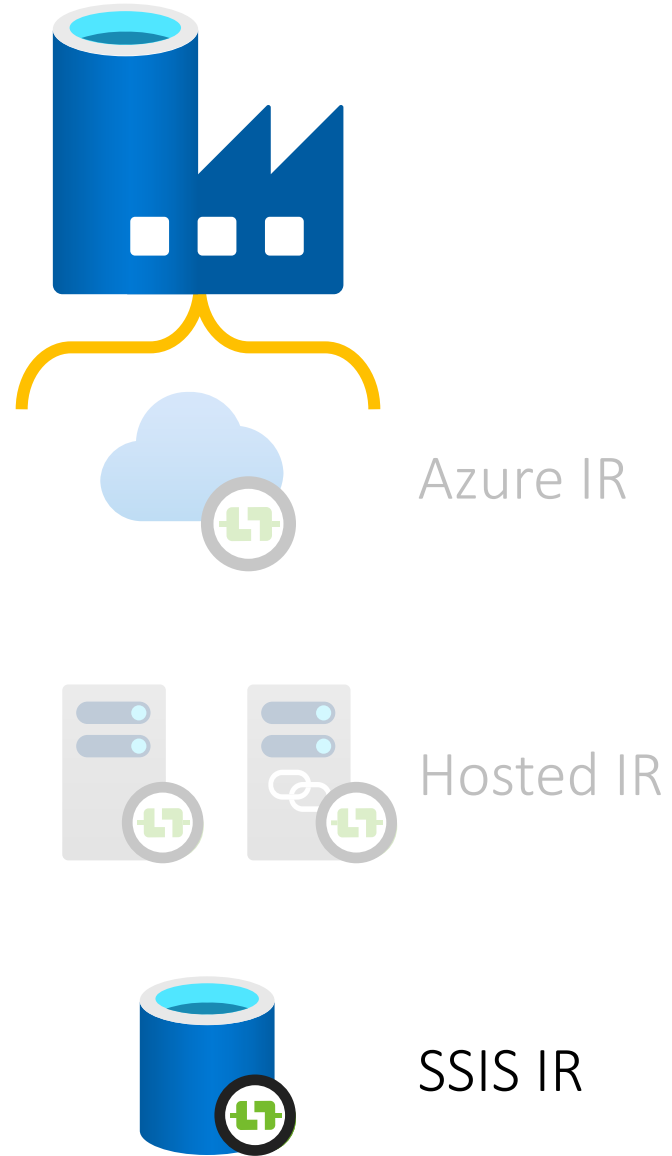
# Hosted Integration Runtime – Linked



# Hosted IR Advanced Patterns



# SSIS Integration Runtime



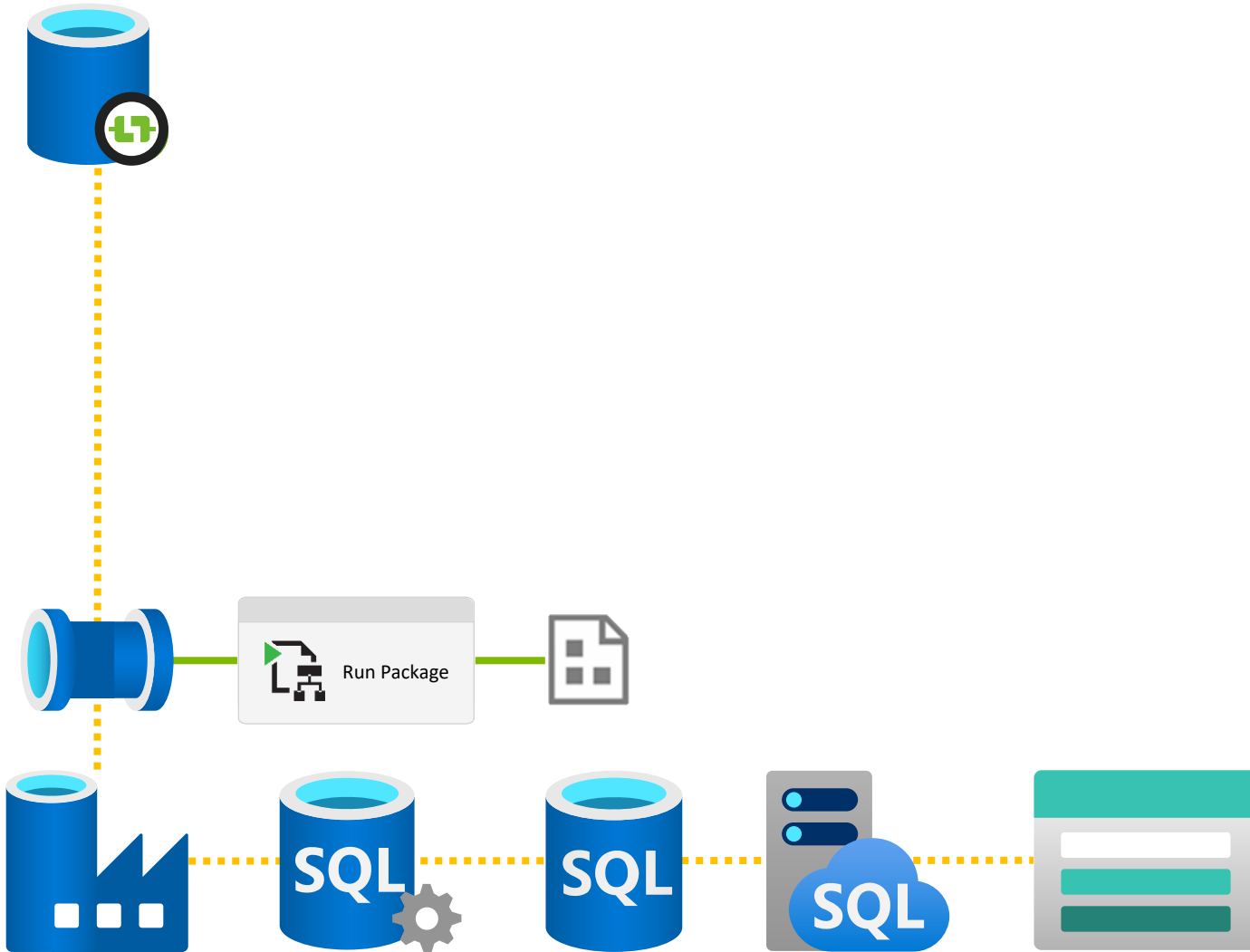
# Running an SSIS Package in Azure



SSIS IR

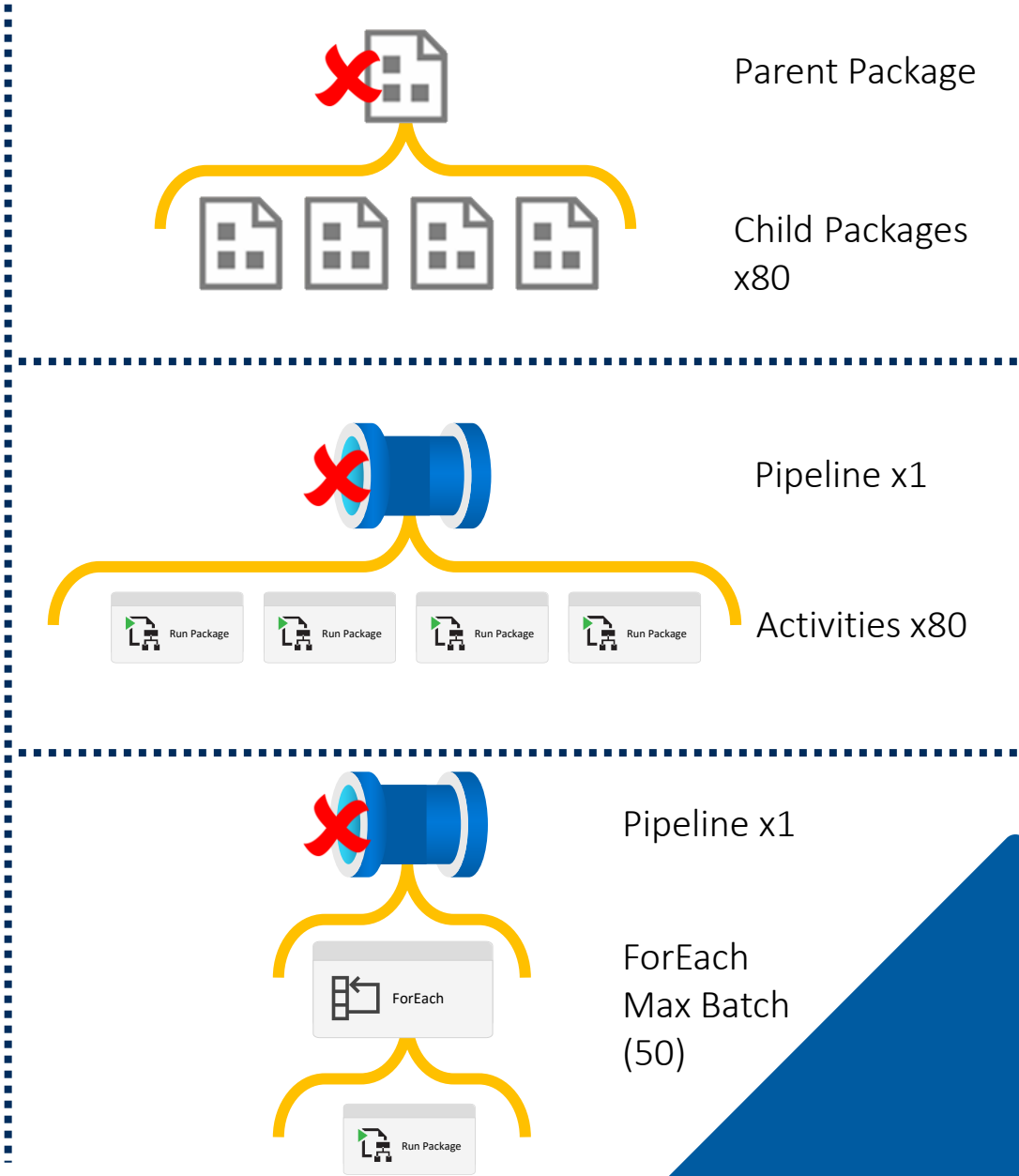
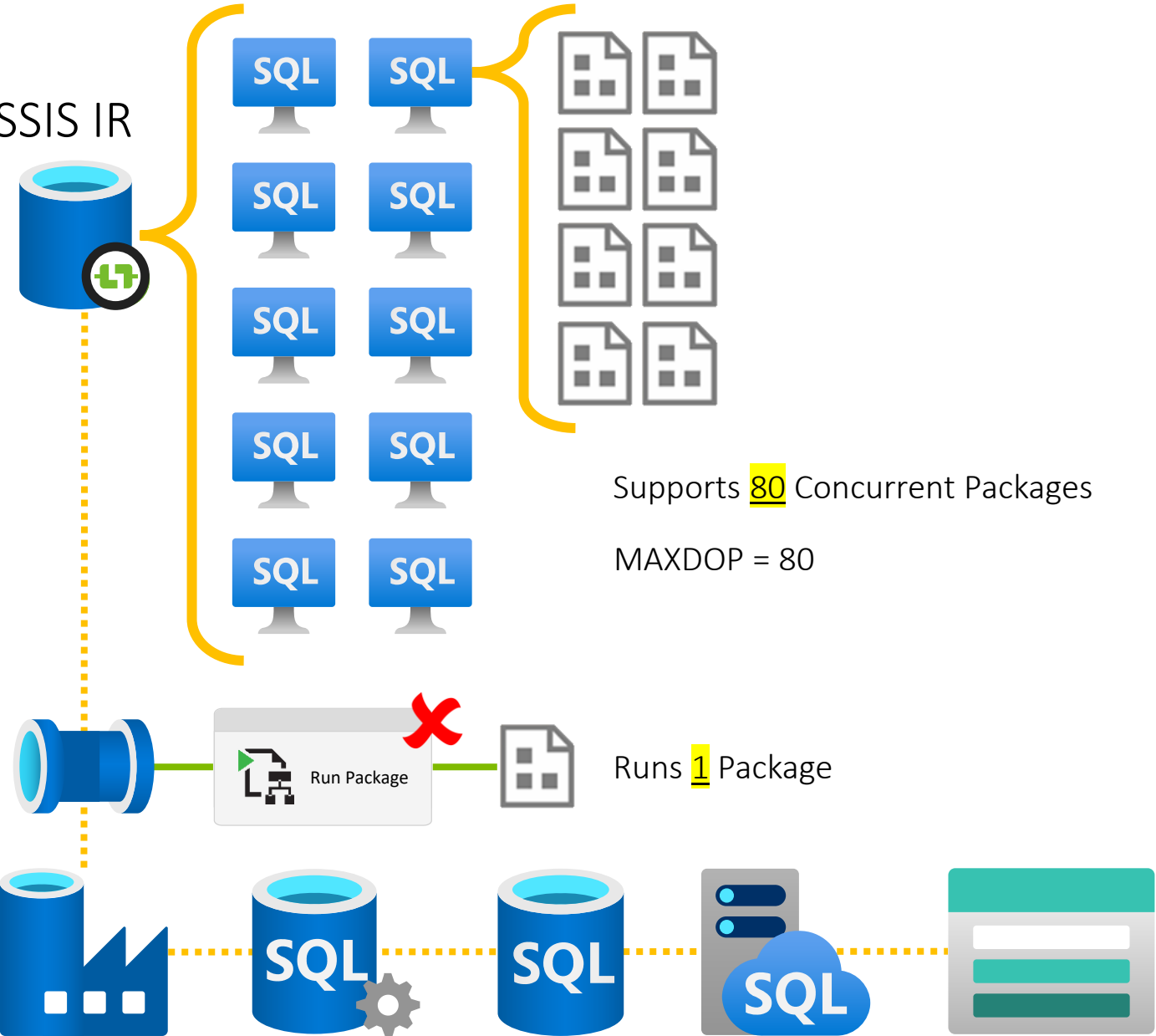
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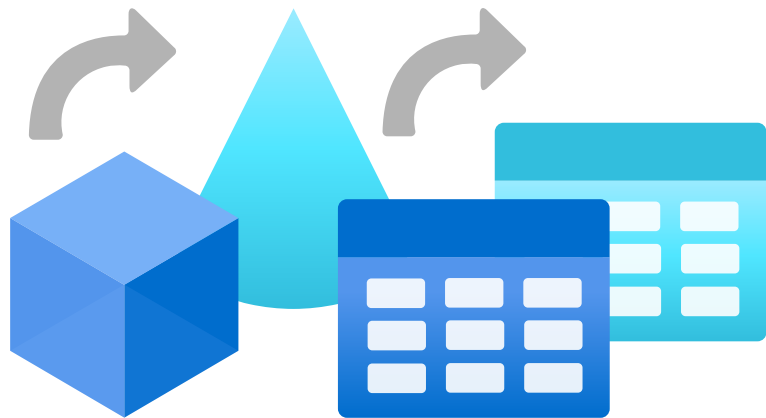




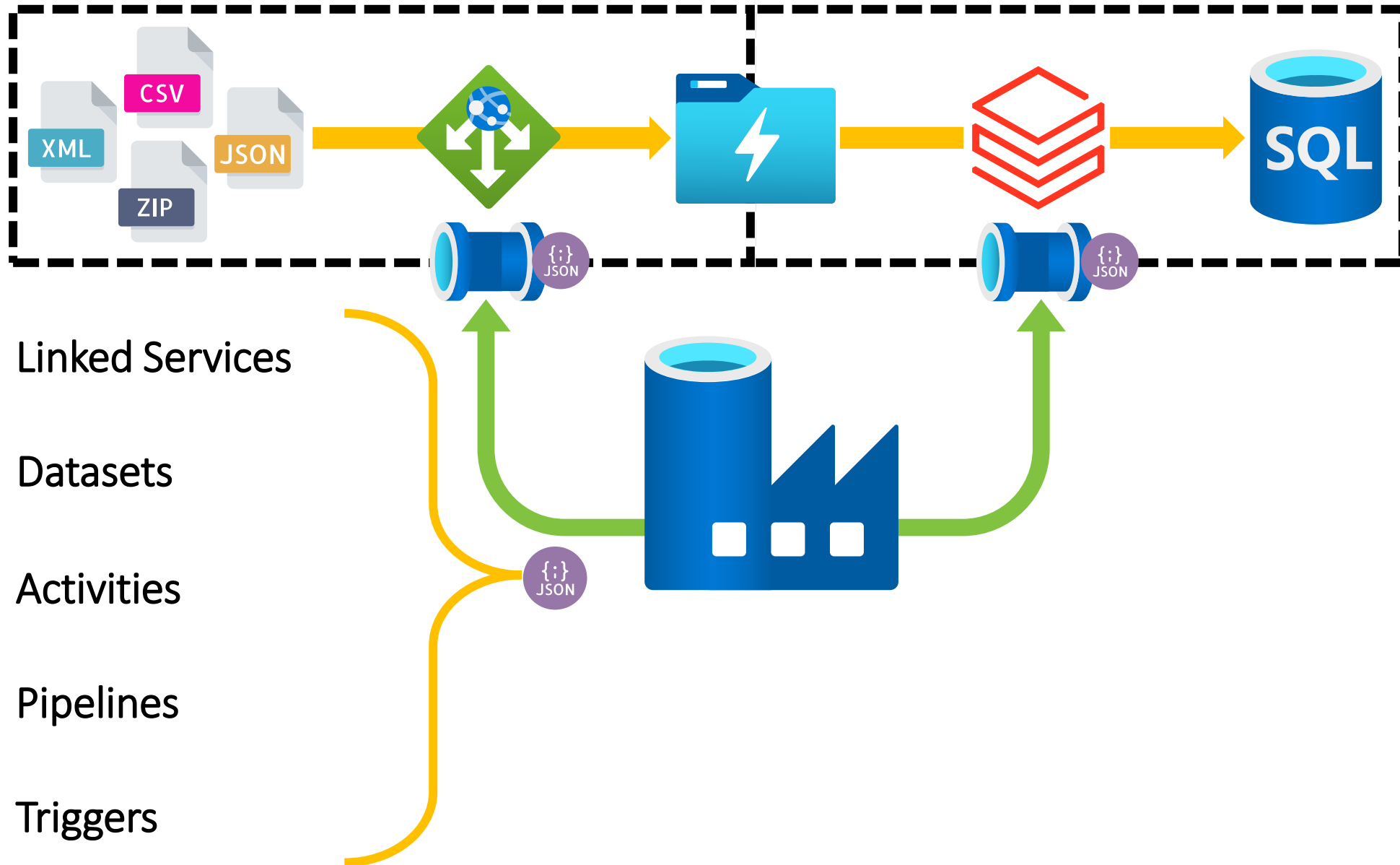
# Problem: Using All Of The SSIS IR Compute



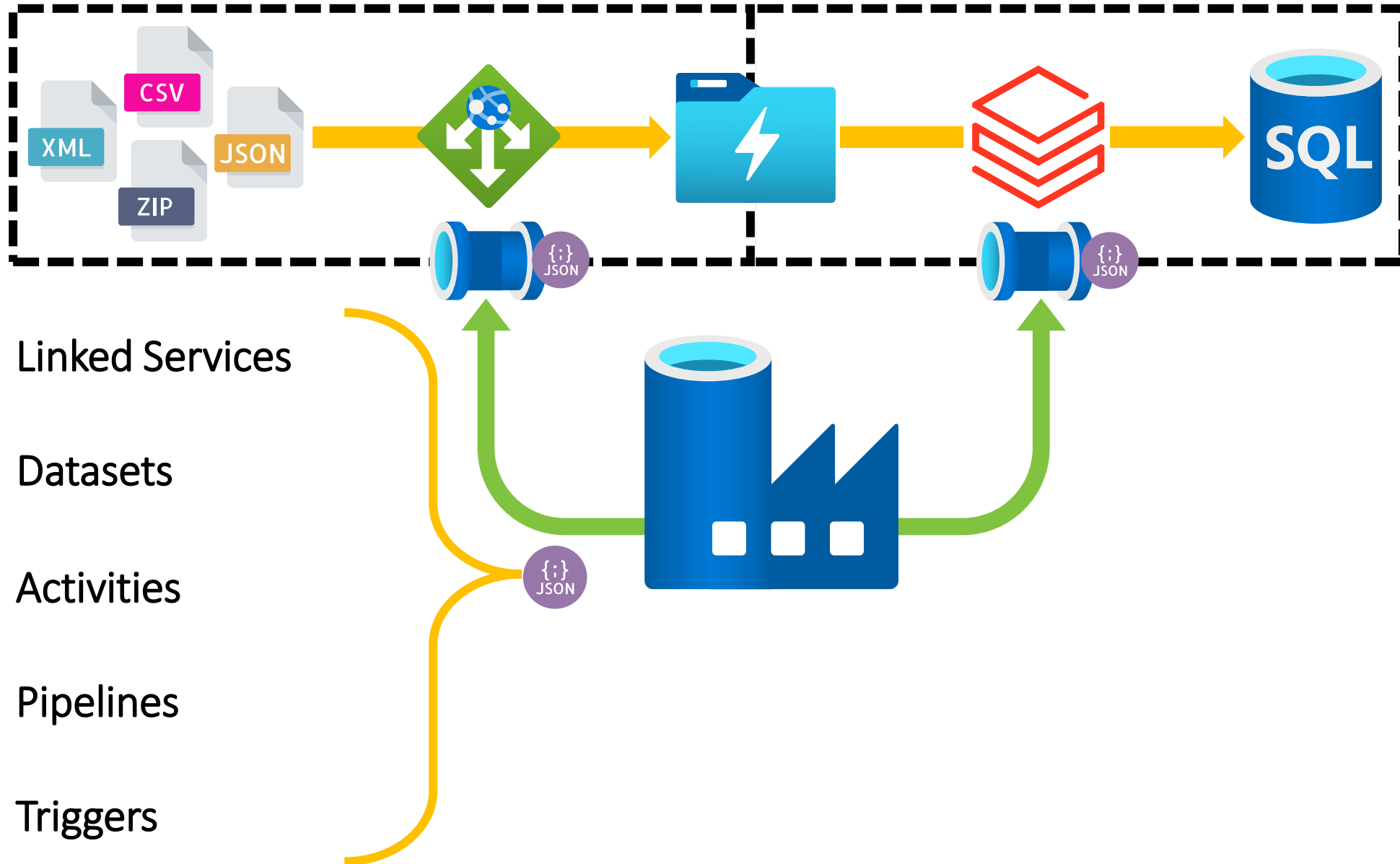
# Data Flows

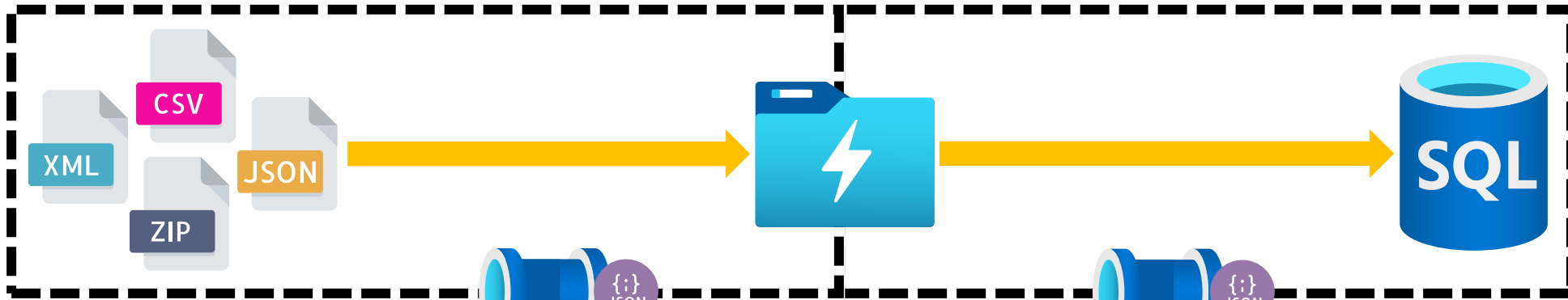


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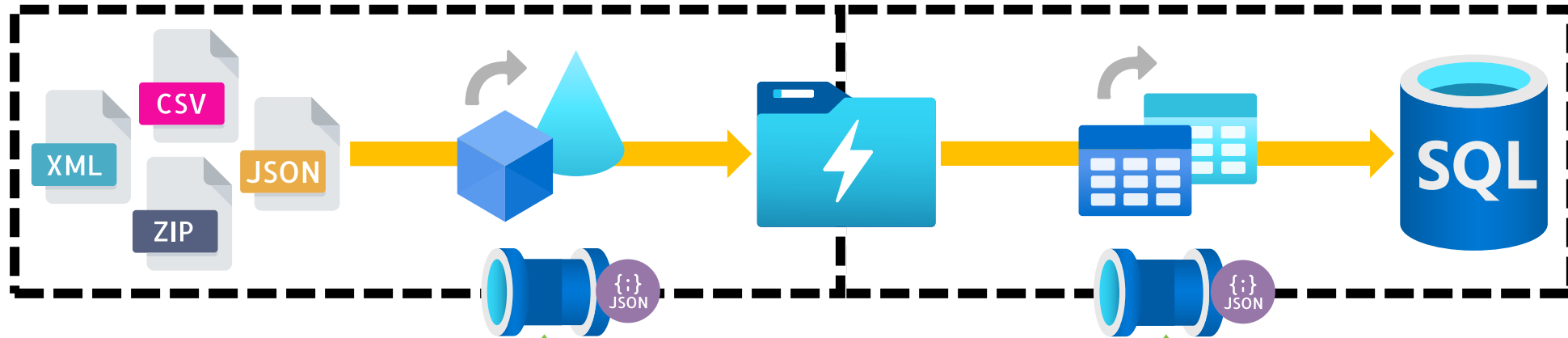
# Integration Control Flow Components





- 1 Linked Services
- 2 Datasets
- 3 Activities
- 4 Pipelines
- 5 Triggers

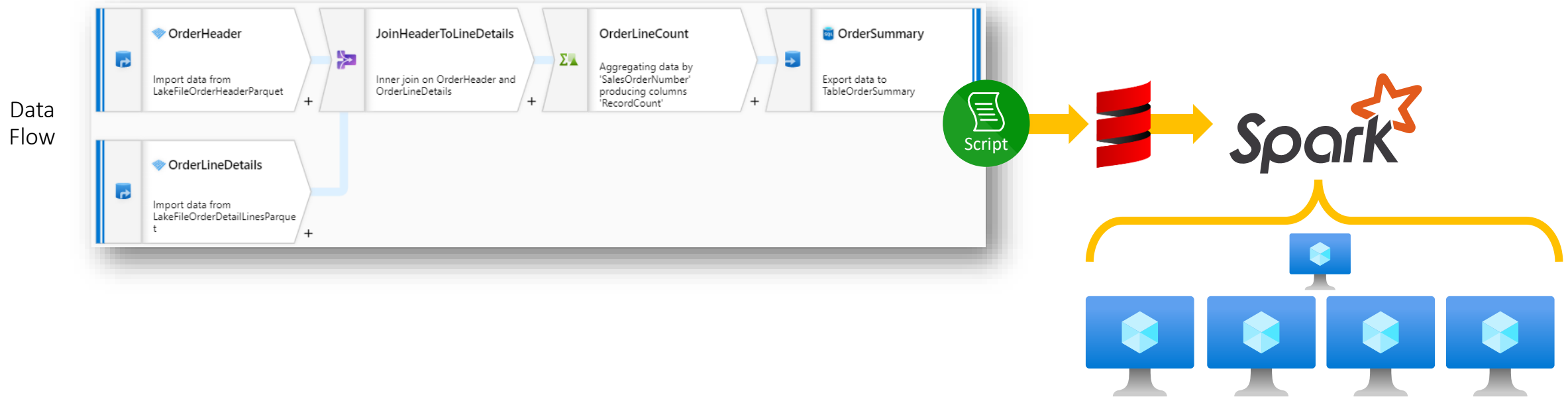
# Integration Data Flow (Transformation) Activities



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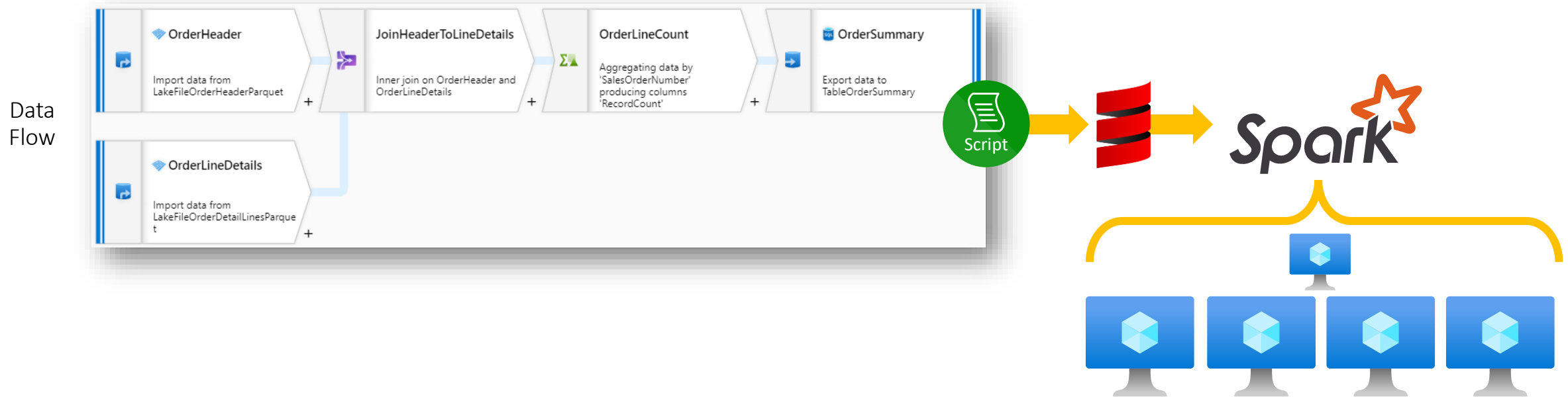


# What is a Mapping Data Flow?





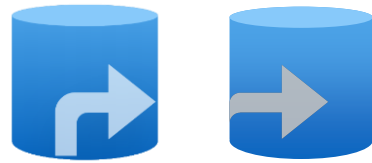
# Q: What is a Mapping Data Flow?



A: Graphic no low/low code data transformation tool that sits on top of Apache Spark.

# Data Flows – Inputs & Outputs

Source & Sink



Linked Services



Dataset

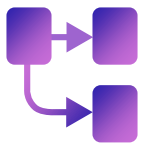


Source  
Types

Inline



# Data Flows – Transformations



New Branch



Join



Conditional Split



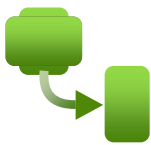
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Union



Lookup



Derived Column



Select



Aggregate



Surrogate Key



Pivot



Unpivot



Window



Rank



Flatten



Parse



Filter



Sort



Alter Row

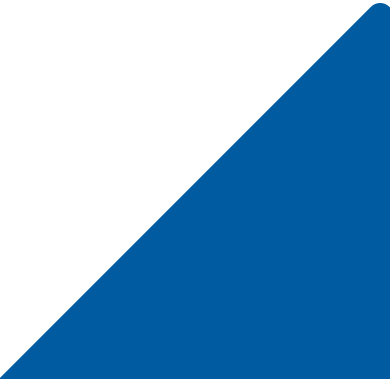
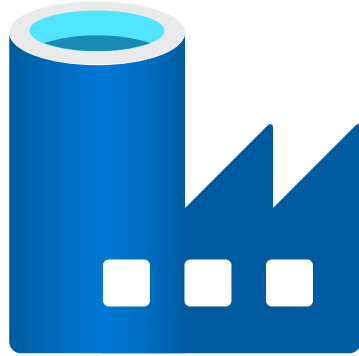
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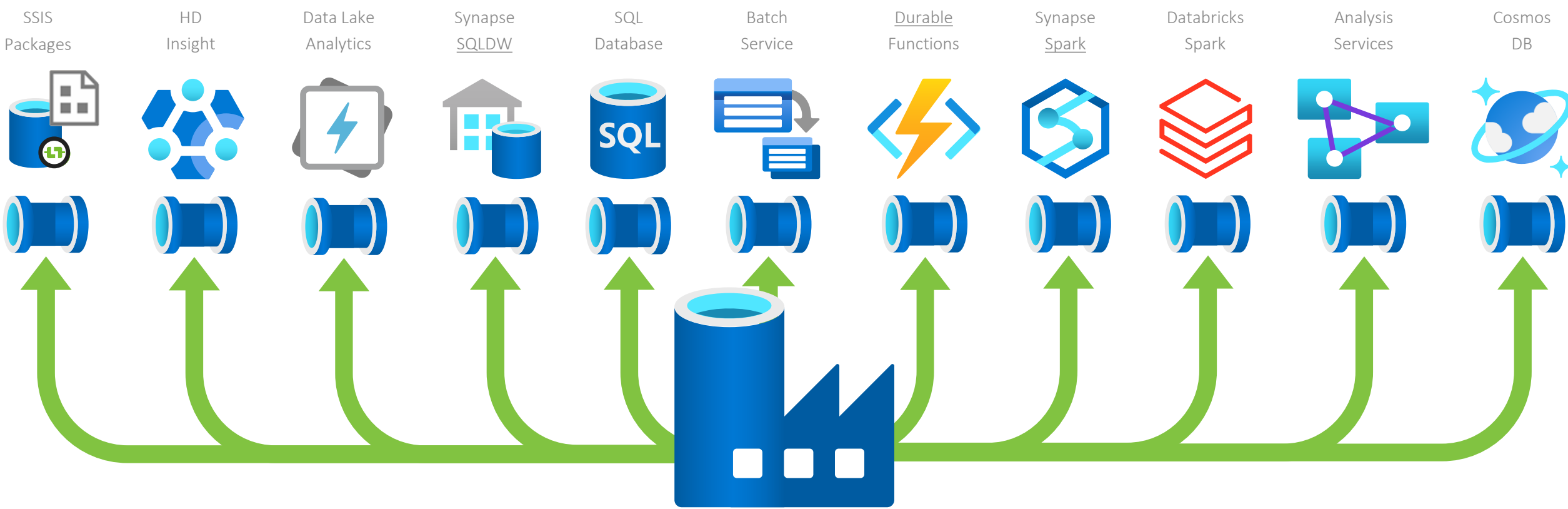
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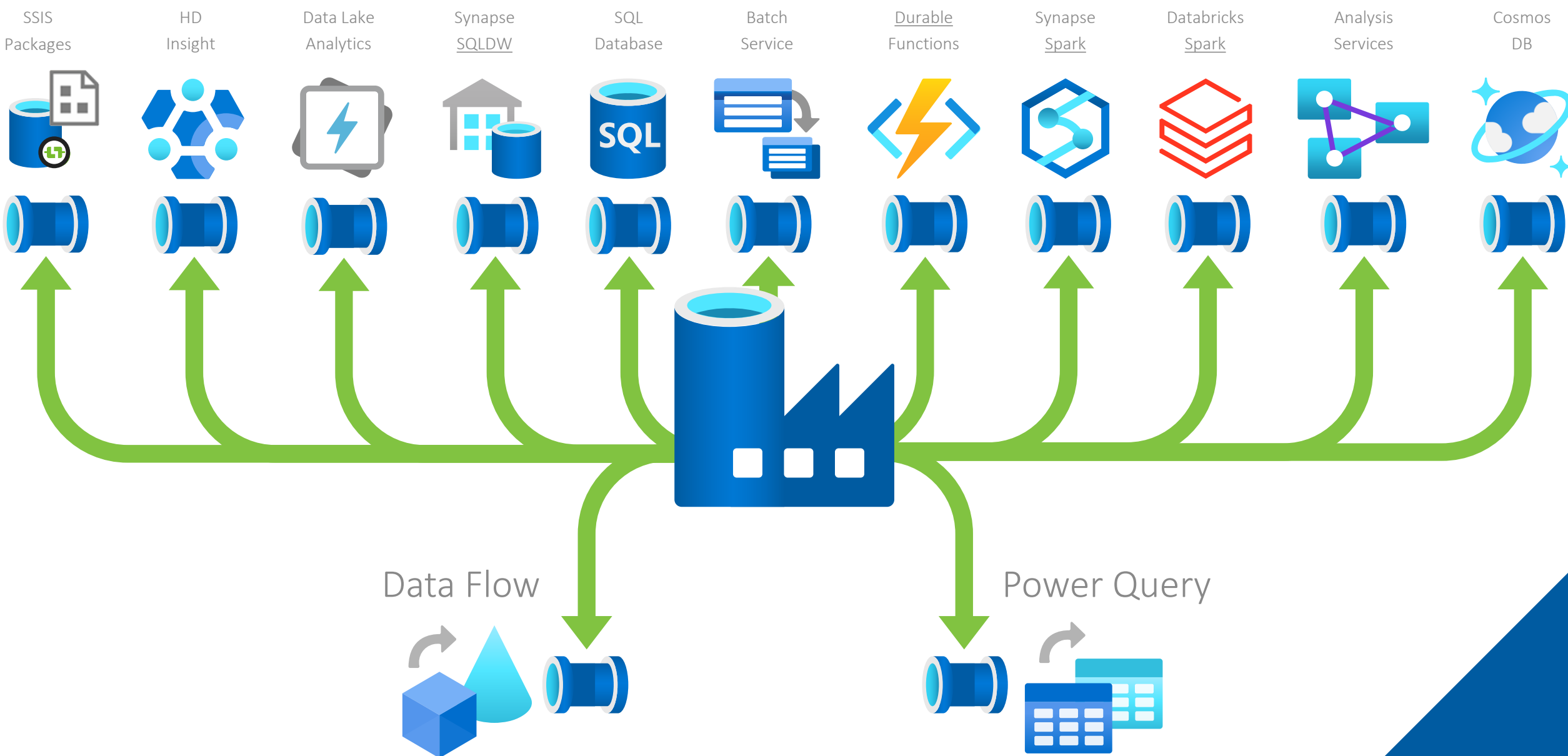
Row Modifiers



# Other Data Transformation Services in Azure



# When Should We Use These Integration Pipeline Transformation Activities?



# Use Cases

SSIS developers who are transferring existing skills to cloud native technologies have a very low barrier to entry and don't need to worry about distributed compute to get started.

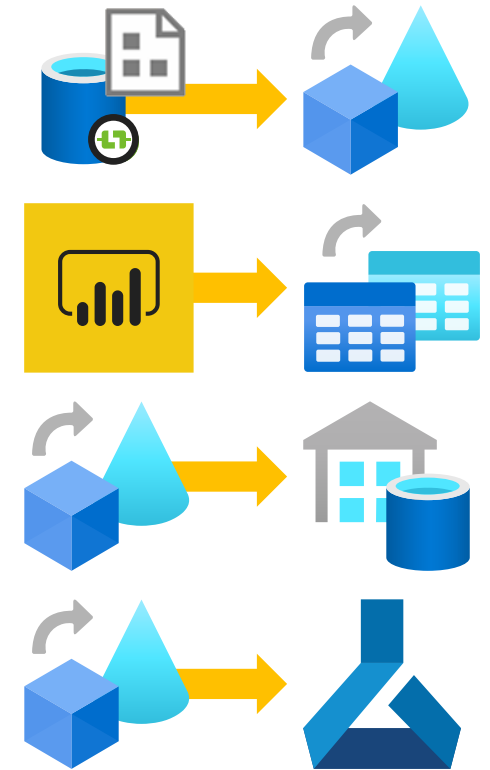
Data engineering made easy for the power users who has grown out of Power BI following a series of Data Lake exploration sessions.

Data insight teams needing to do rapid prototyping and data warehouse loading within a single Azure Resource making deployments simple and release cycles short.

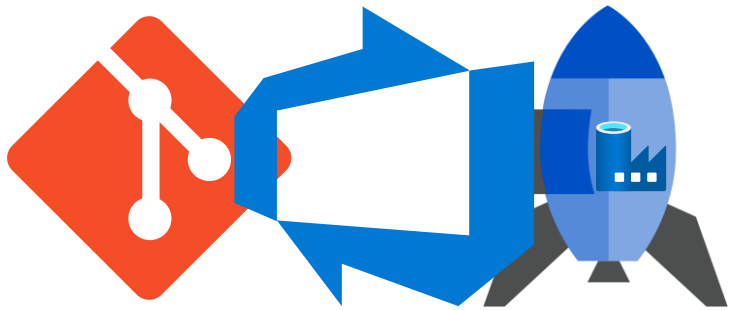
Simpler and quicker data wrangling for data scientists that want to quickly prepare multiple raw datasets ready for model training and testing, also with the ability to use large amounts of compute.

*Data Flows used to deliver all data transformation workloads as part of a end to end cloud based data analytics/warehouse solution.*

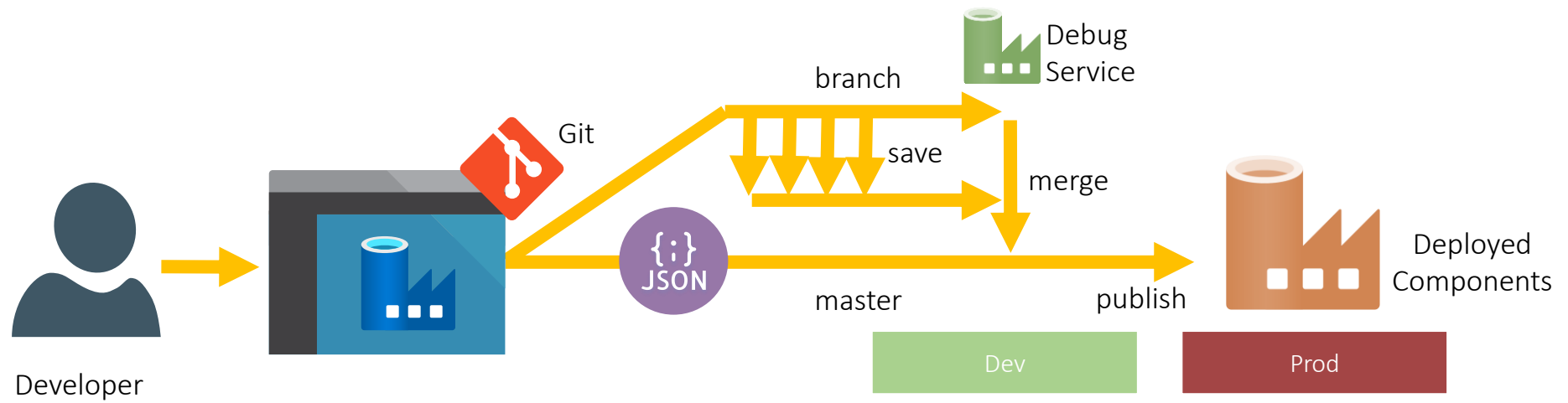
*Data Flows script dynamically generated from external metadata and injected into like we once did with BIML for SSIS packages.*



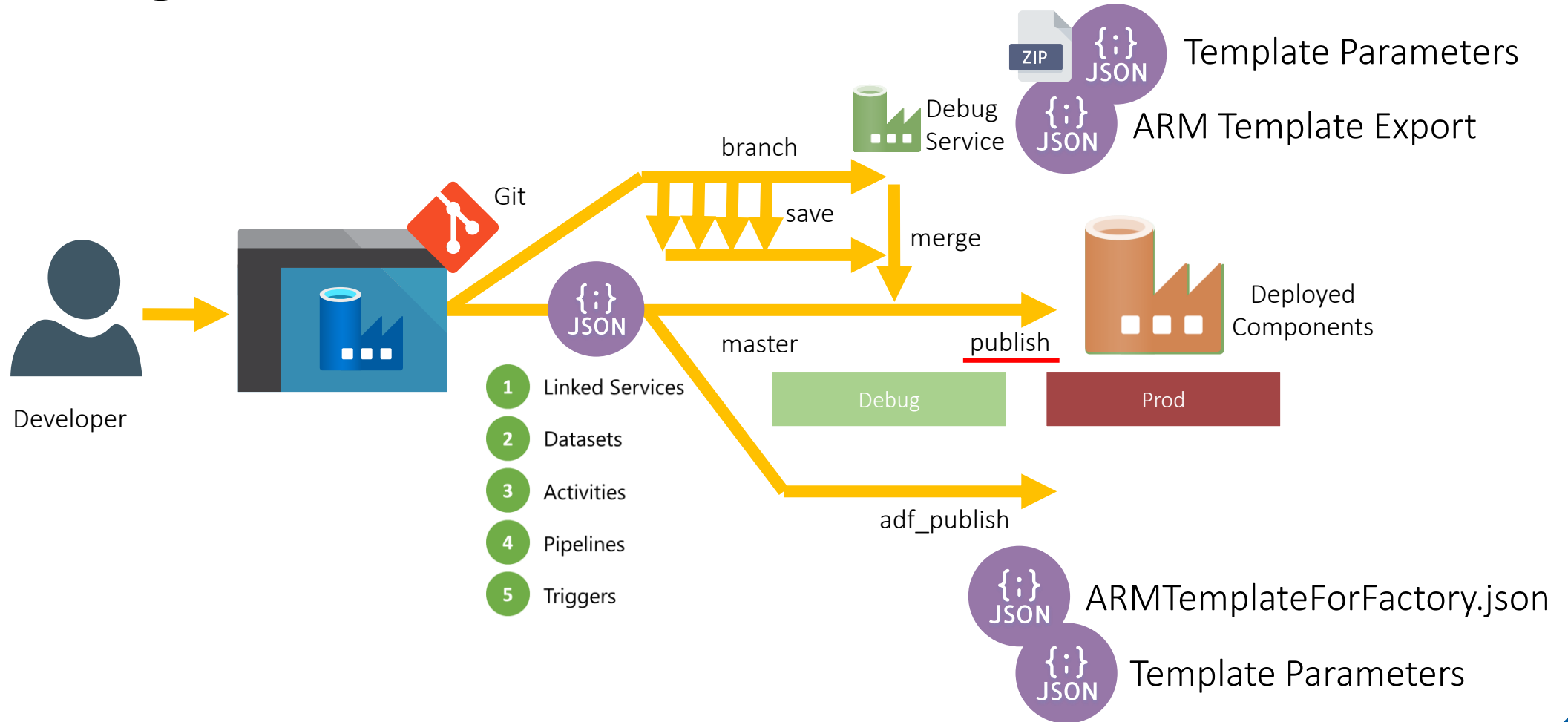
# Source Control & Deployments



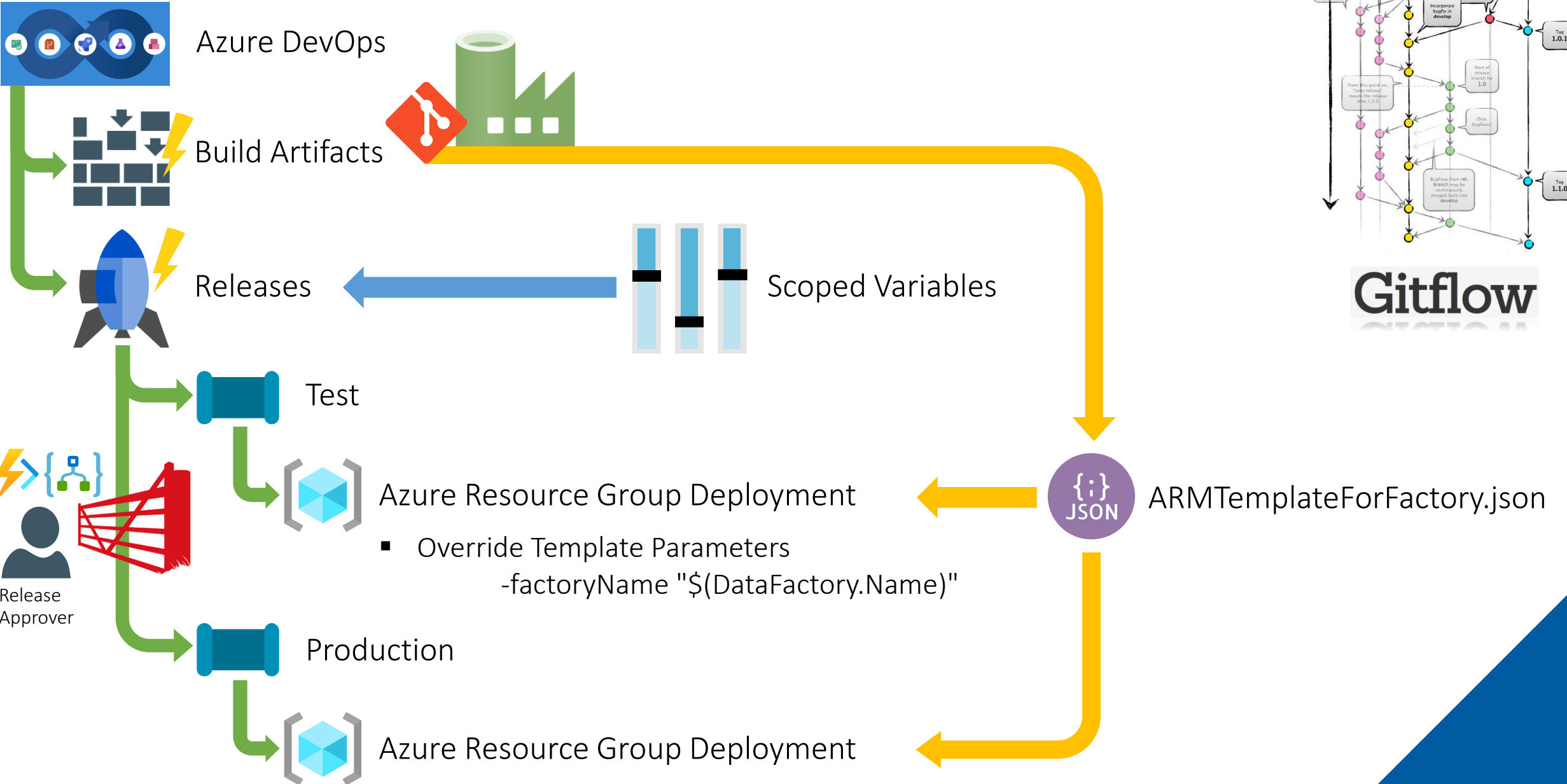




# Getting Our ADF Source Code

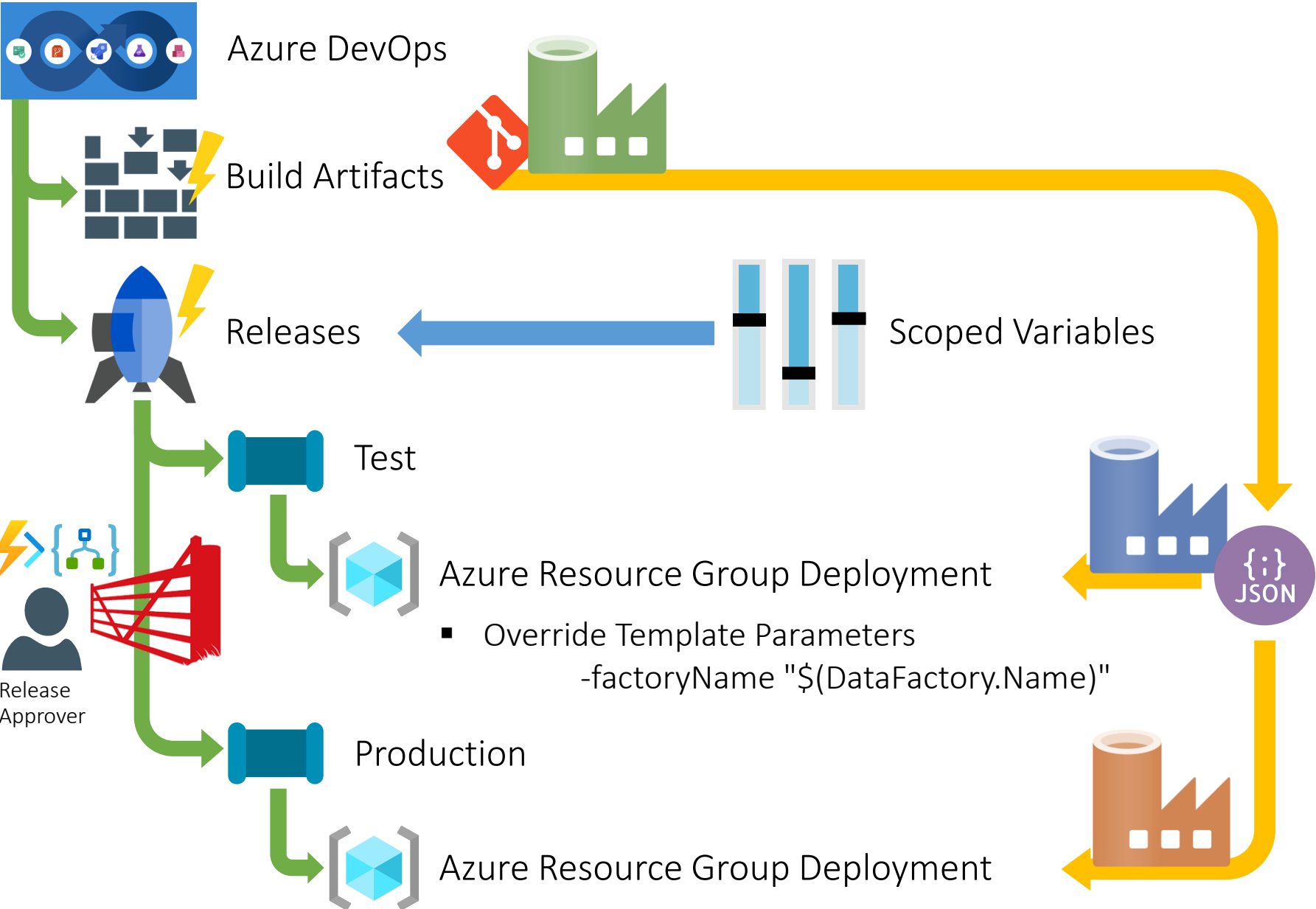


# Data Factory Continuous Delivery



# Data Factory Continuous Delivery - Simple

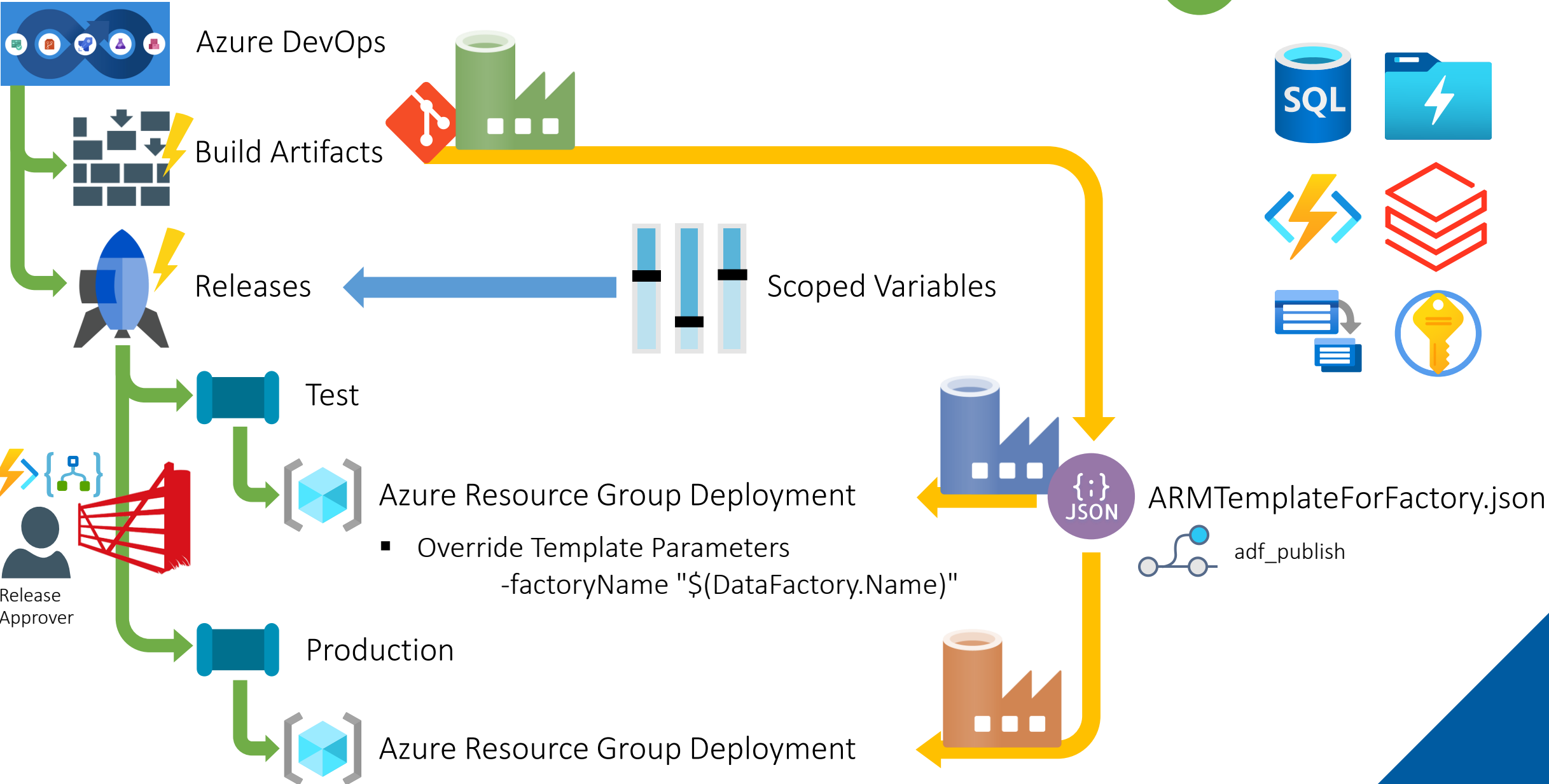
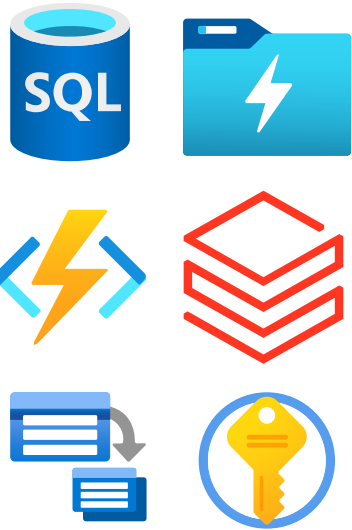
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- 2 Datasets
- 3 Activities
- 4 Pipelines
- 5 Triggers



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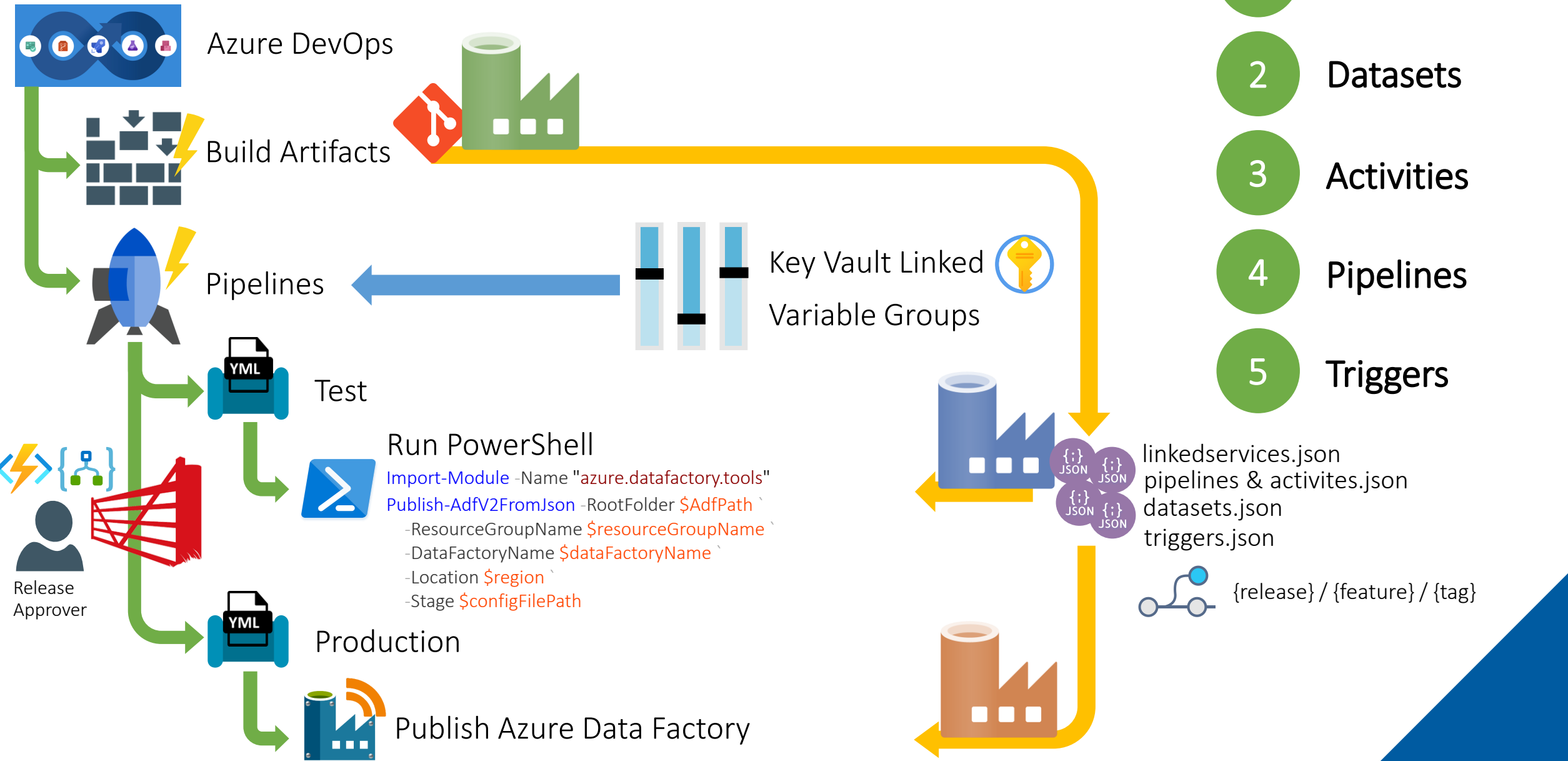
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Linked Services



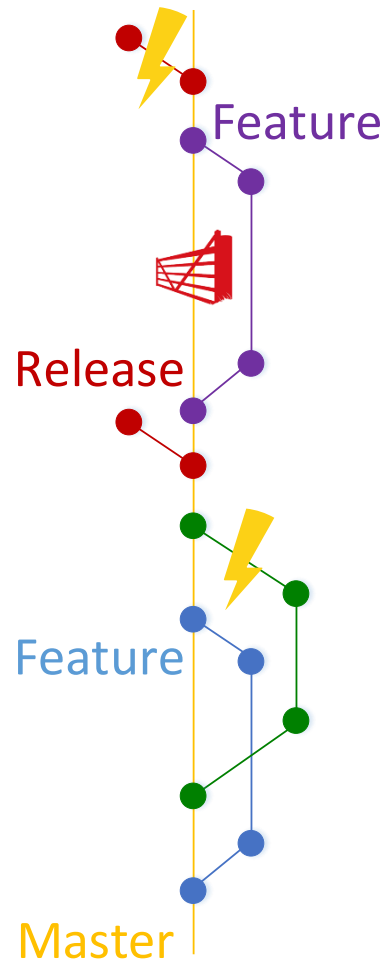
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# Data Factory DevOps Story Summary

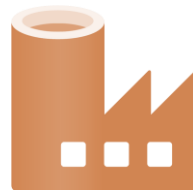
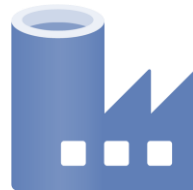
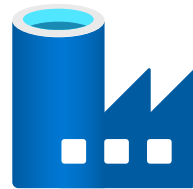
What is your code branching strategy?



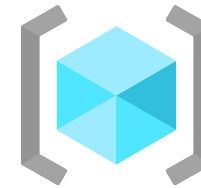
Which source control tool to use?



How many environments do we want?



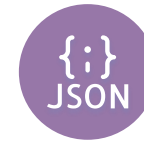
What deployment method do we want to use?



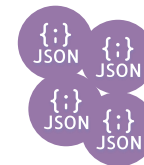
What artifacts are we going to use?...

OR

How much control do you want?

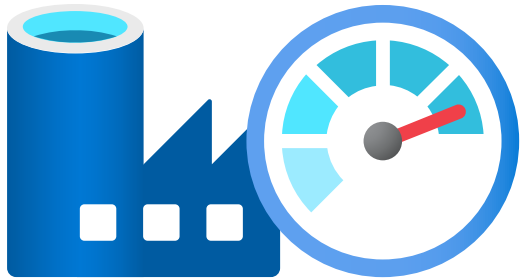


ARMTemplate  
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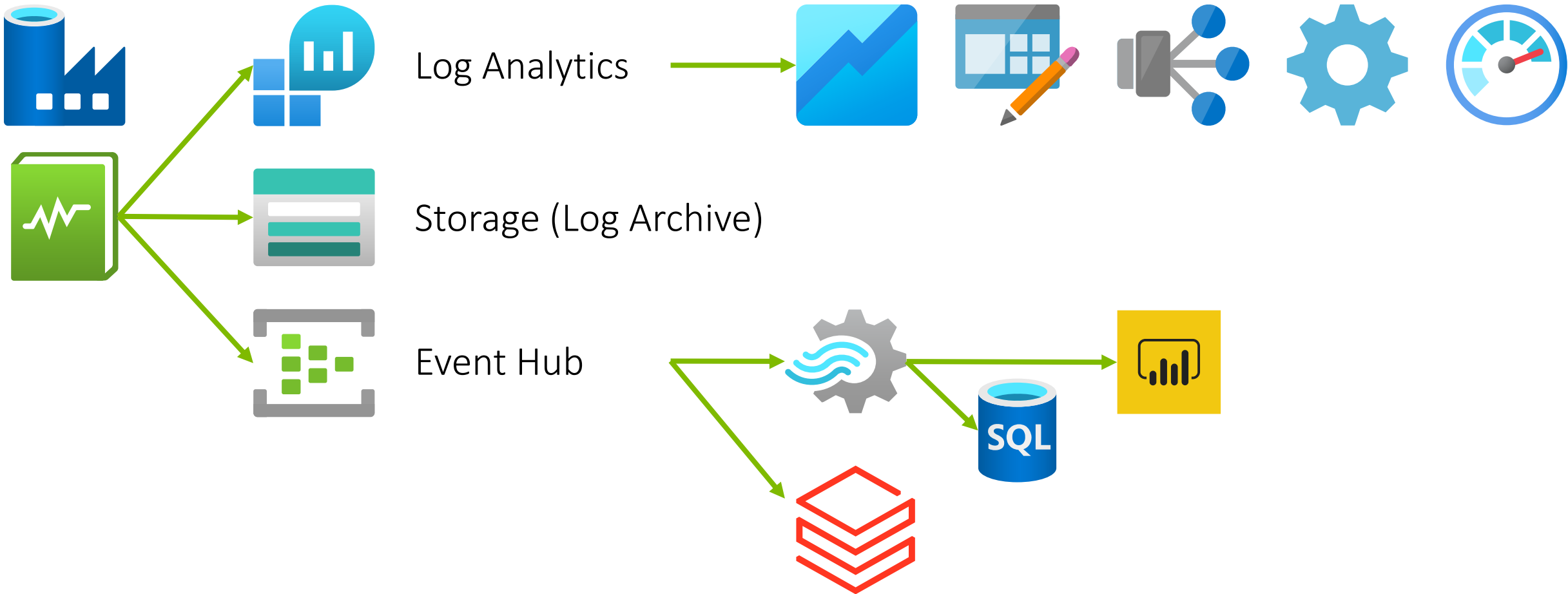
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# Monitoring & Logging

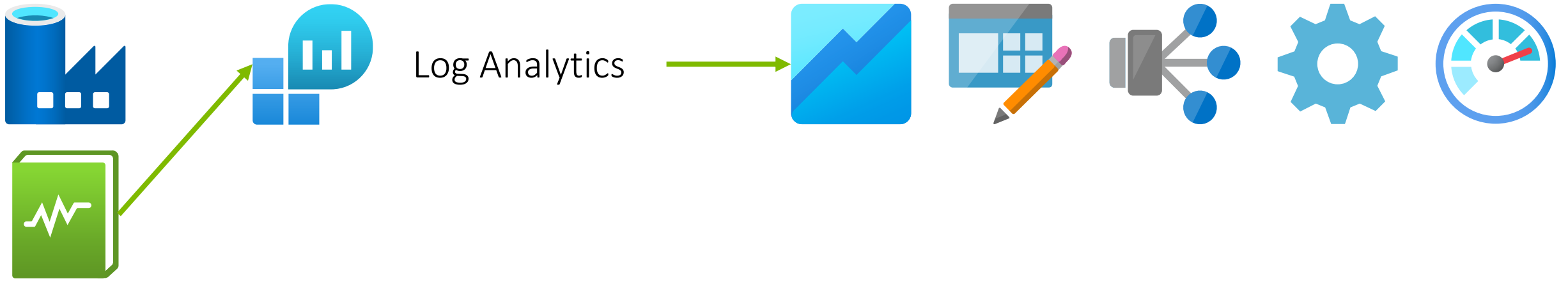




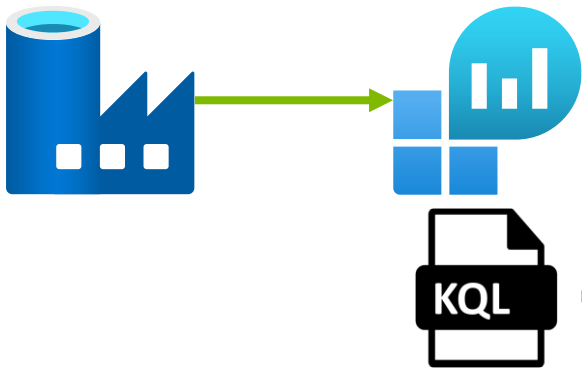
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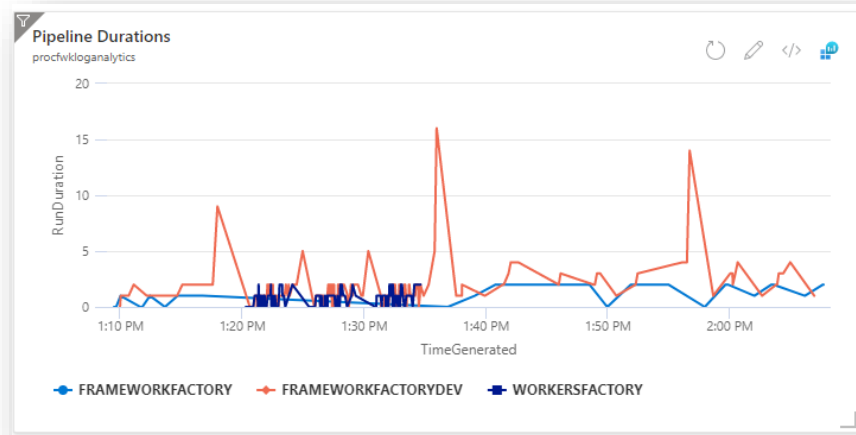
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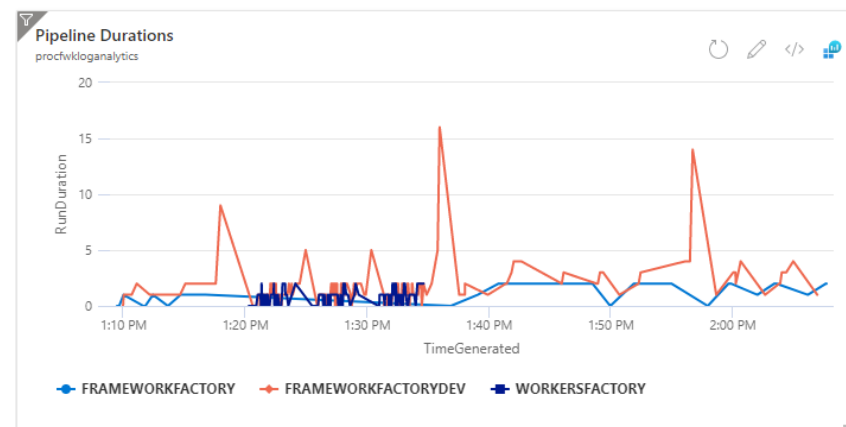


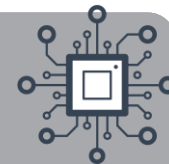
# Using Log Analytics



```
ADFPipelineRunDurations
| project
    TimeGenerated,
    Start,
    End,
    ['DataFactory'] = substring(ResourceId, 121, 100),
    Status,
    PipelineName,
    Parameters,
    ["RunDuration"] = datetime_diff('Minute', End, Start)
| where
    TimeGenerated > ago(1h)
    and Status !in ('InProgress', 'Queued', 'Cancelling')
```







#### Resources and Content

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#### FrameworkSupportF...

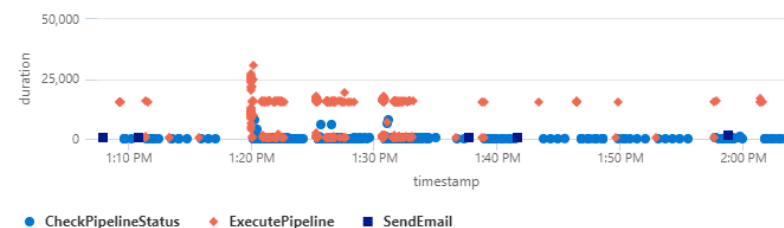
Function App

Running



#### Function Call Durations

ProcFwkAppInsights



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Workspace



FrameworkFactory  
Data factory



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Data factory



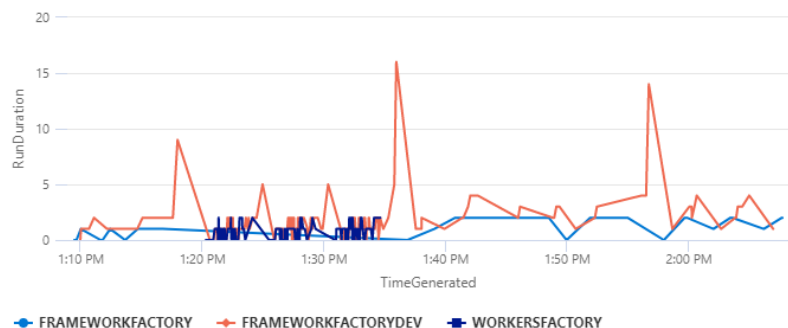
FrameworkFactory  
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WorkersFactory  
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#### Pipeline Durations

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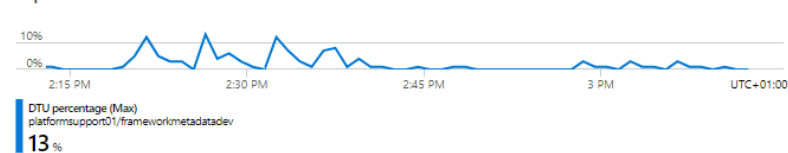


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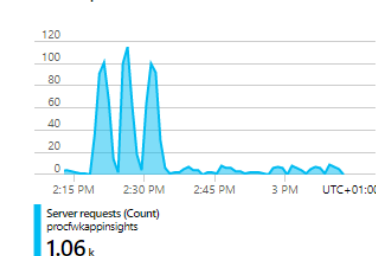
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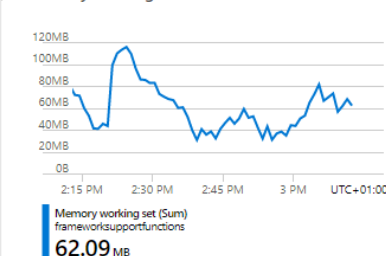
#### Compute utilization



#### Server requests



#### Memory working set



#### Resources

ADF.procfwk

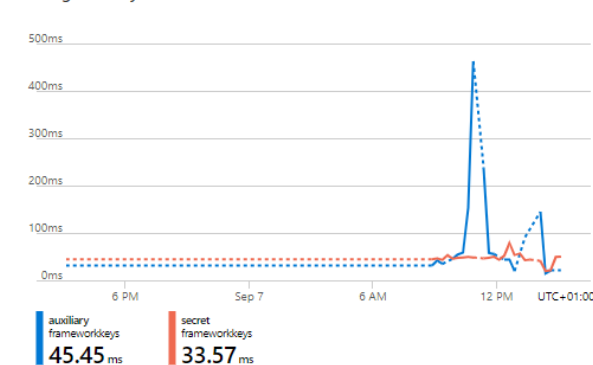
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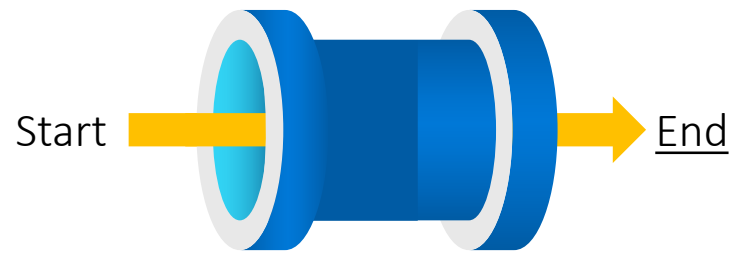
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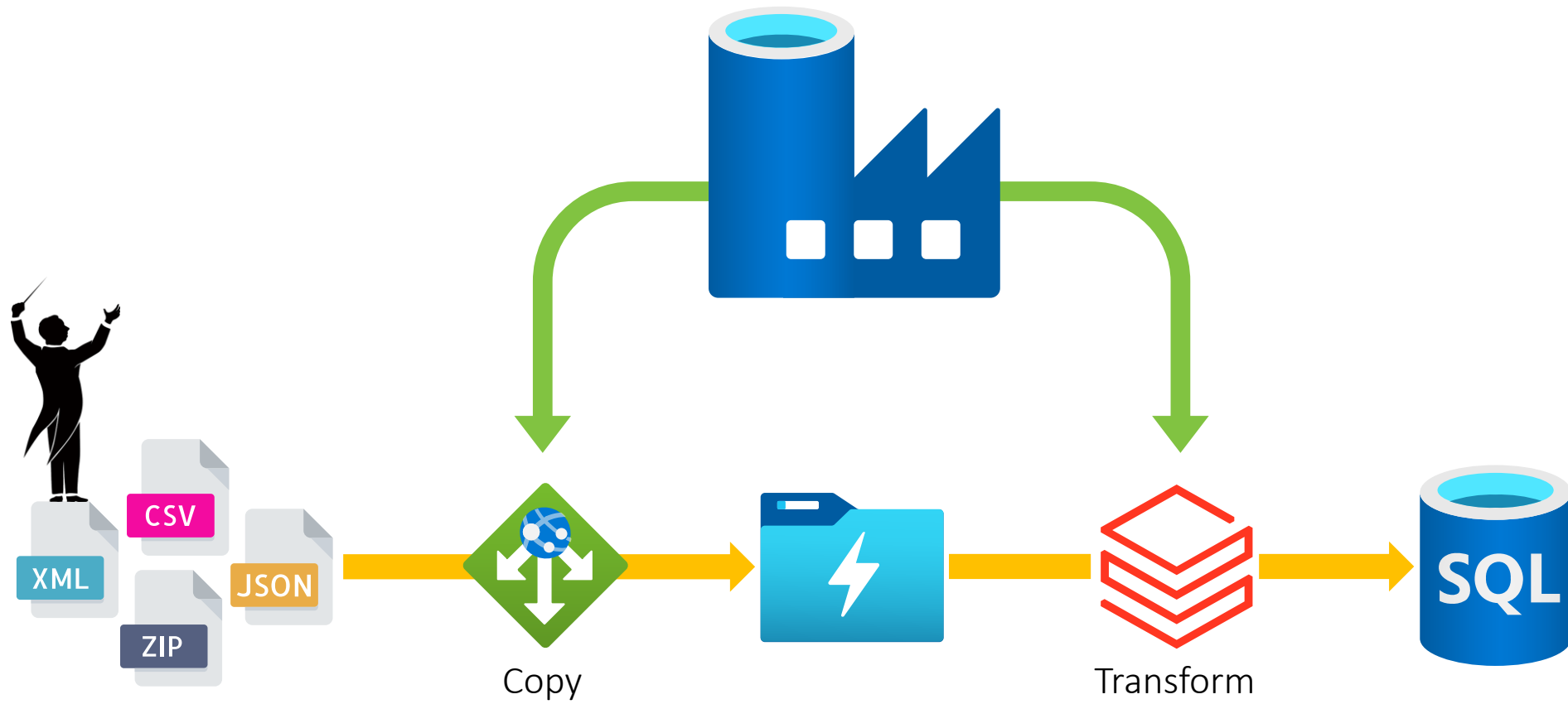
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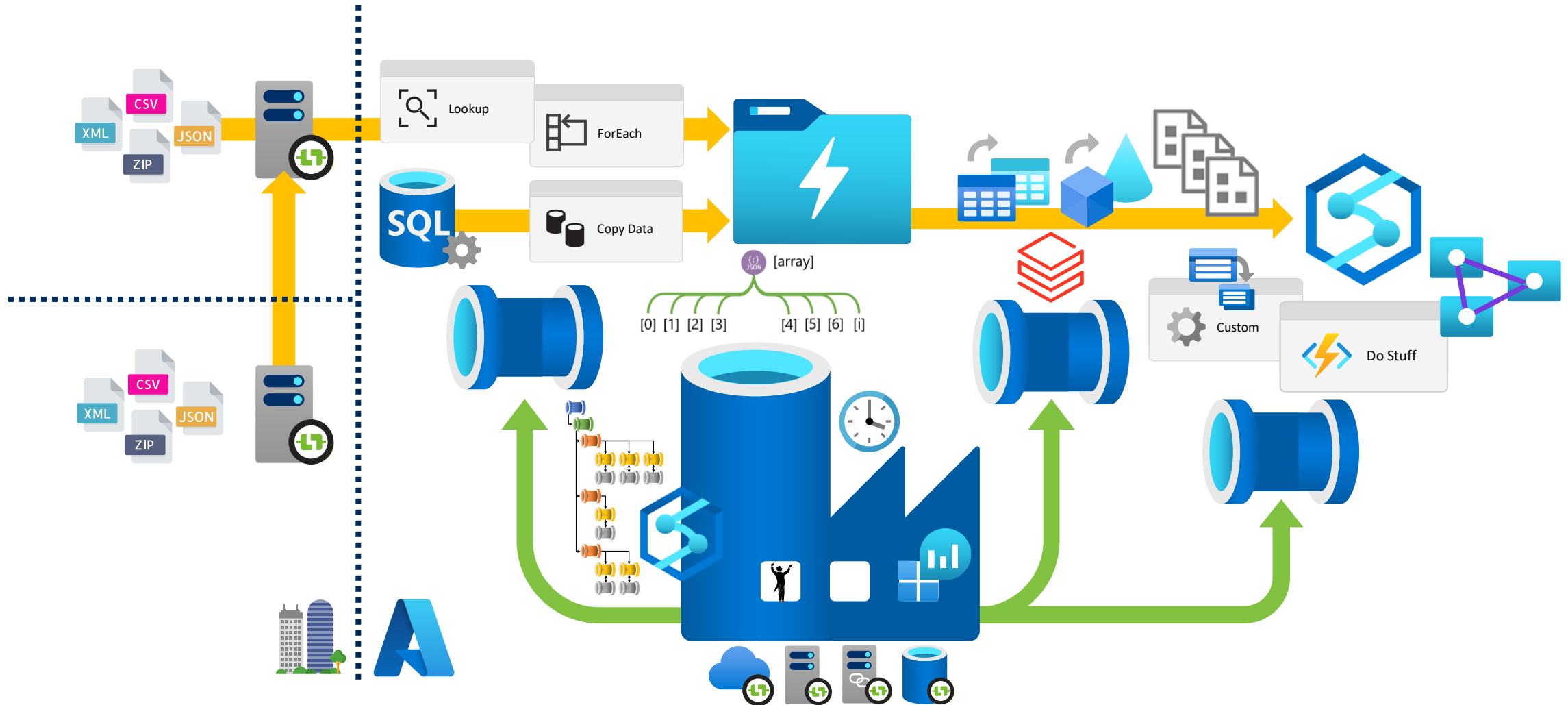
# Conclusions



# What is Azure Data Factory (ADF)?



# What are Azure ~~Data Factory~~ Integration Pipelines?

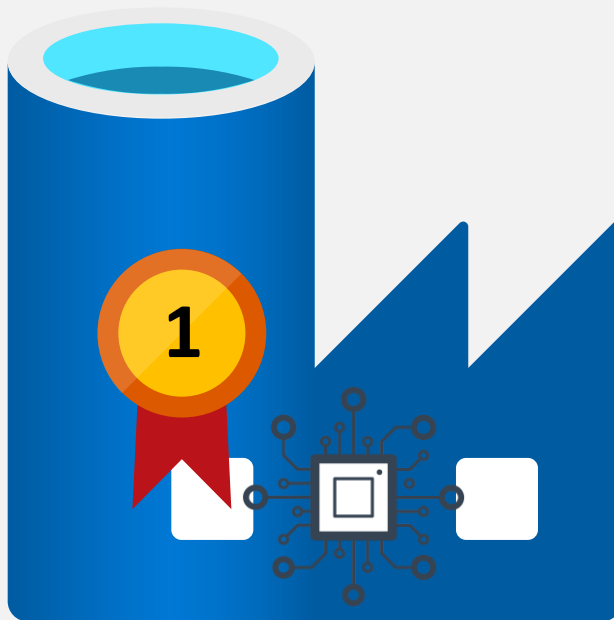


1. A complete Microsoft Azure integration tool.
2. Orchestrator of our Control Flow operations – with scale out Activities.
3. Orchestrator of our Data Flow transformations – using cloud native services.
4. The scheduler of solutions – using a variety of Pipeline Triggers and dynamic frameworks.

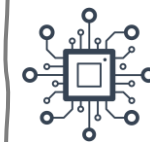


# What Next?

## Best Practices for Implementing Azure Data Factory



- Environment Setup
- Multiple Data Factory Instance's
- Deployments
- Automated Testing
- Naming Conventions
- Pipeline Hierarchies
- Pipeline & Activity Descriptions
- Annotations
- Factory Component Folders
- Linked Service Security via Azure Key Vault
- Security Custom Roles
- Dynamic Linked Services
- Generic Datasets
- Metadata Driven Processing
- Parallel Execution
- Hosted Integration Runtimes
- Azure Integration Runtimes
- Wider Platform Orchestration
- Custom Error Handler Paths
- Monitoring via Log Analytics
- Timeouts & Retry
- Service Limitations
- Using Templates
- Documentation

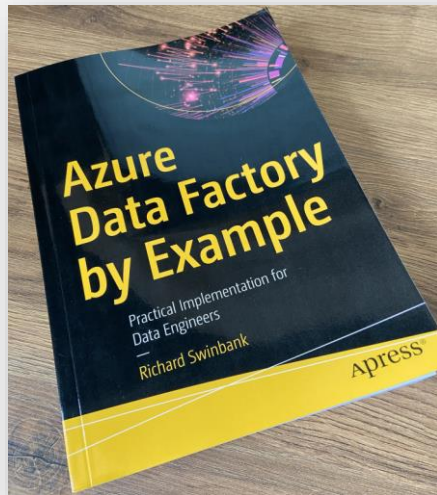


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# What Next?

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