


Azure Data Explorer – a Torch in the Dungeon of Observational Analytics

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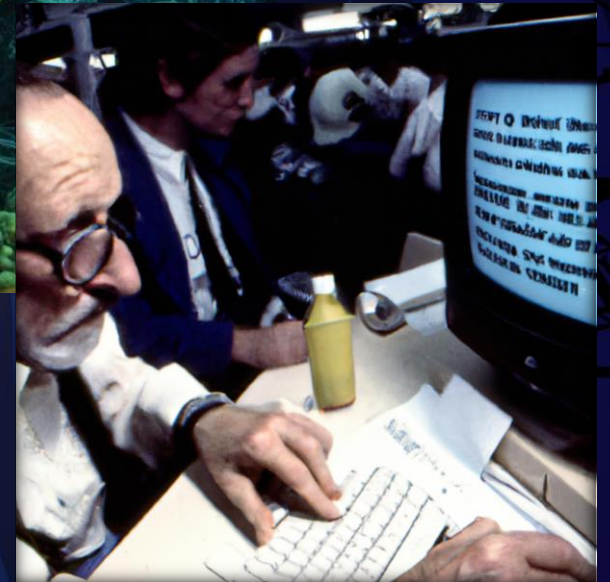


Long time ago, not so far away...

Necessity is the Mother of Invention



Do You Recognize This Person?



Jacques-Yves Cousteau -> Kusto

Proven Technology

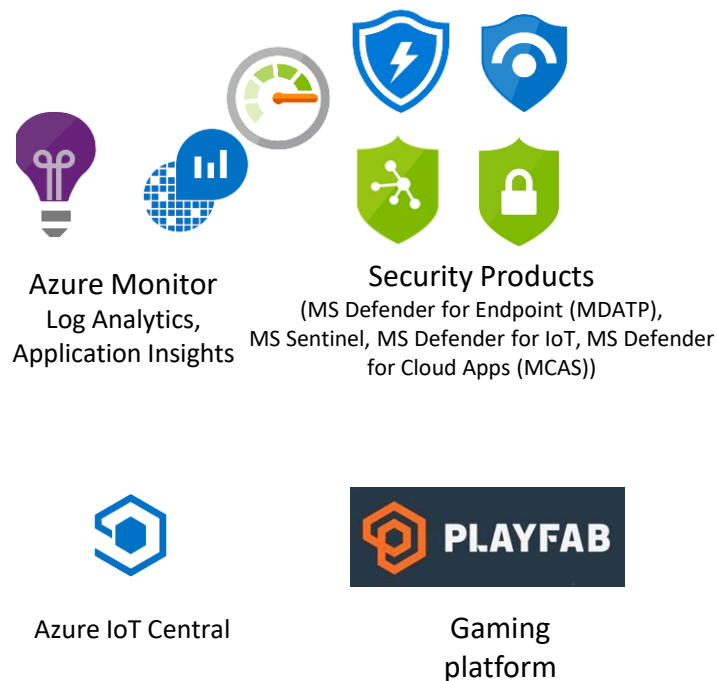


In production since 2015 for internal Microsoft workload, GA since Feb 2019.

Battle tested for Microsoft internal workload



The platform for analytical solutions (SaaS)



Available as PaaS



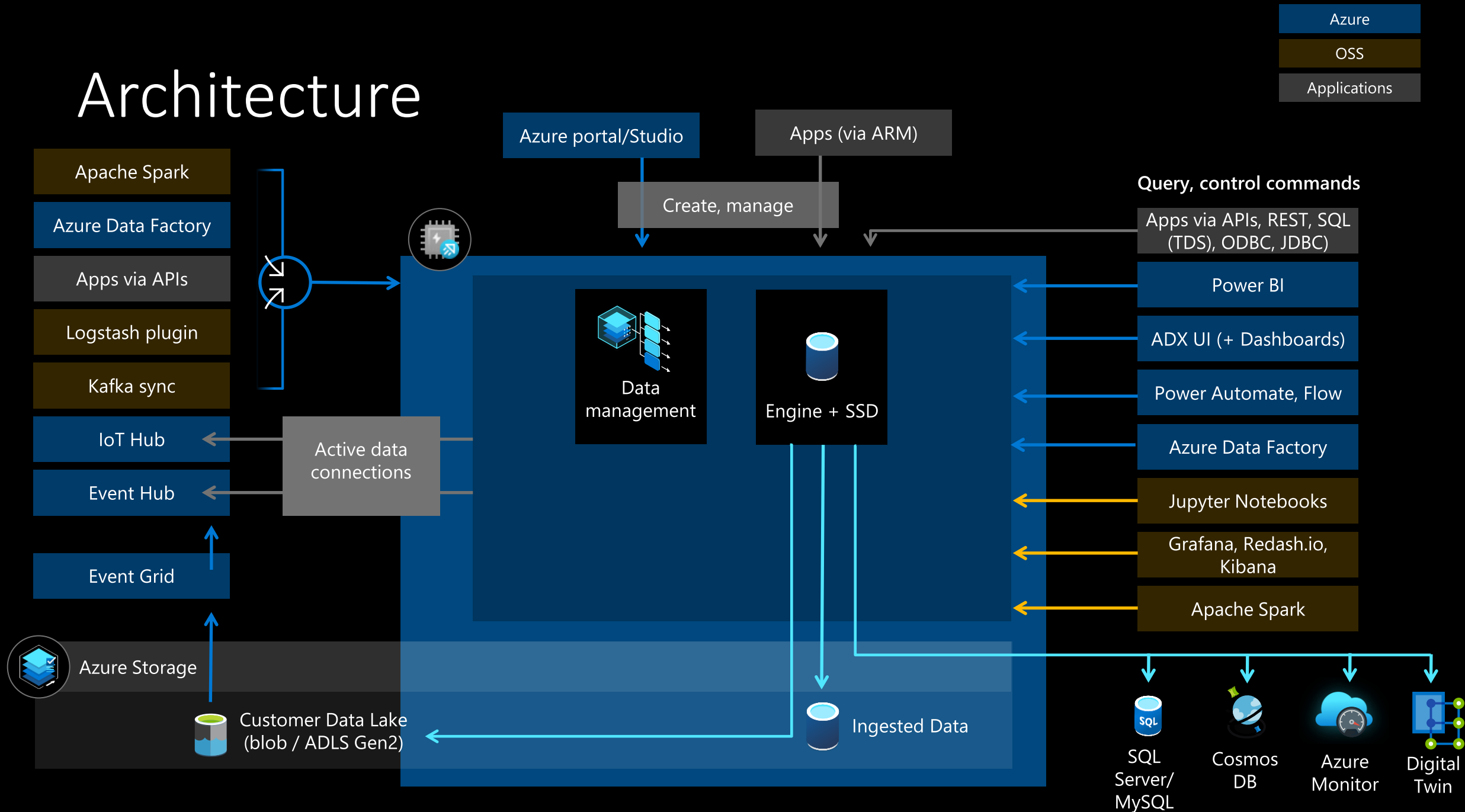
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Introducing Azure Data Explorer aka Kusto!



A big data analytics cloud platform
optimized for interactive, ad-hoc queries

Architecture



Kusto Query Language (KQL)

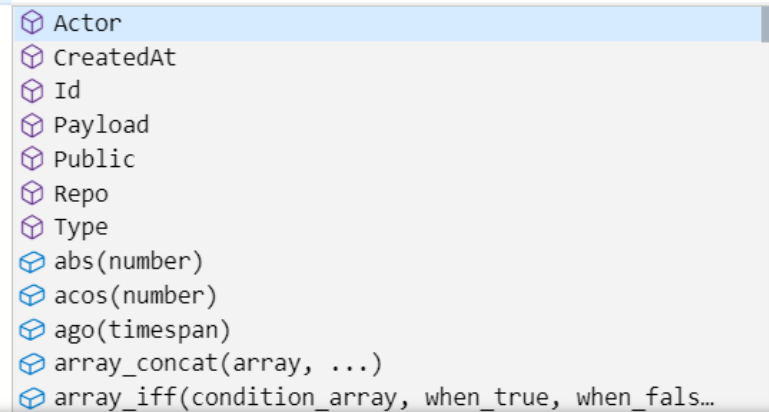
Simple and powerful

- Rich relational query language
- Built-in full-text search, time series, user analytics, geospatial, and machine learning operators
- Out-of-the box visualization
- Easy-to-use syntax + IntelliSense
- Highly recognizable hierarchical schema entities

Extensible

- T-SQL
- In-line Python and R

```
1 GithubEvent
2 | where CreatedAt between(now() .. ago(1d))
3 | summarize count() by
```



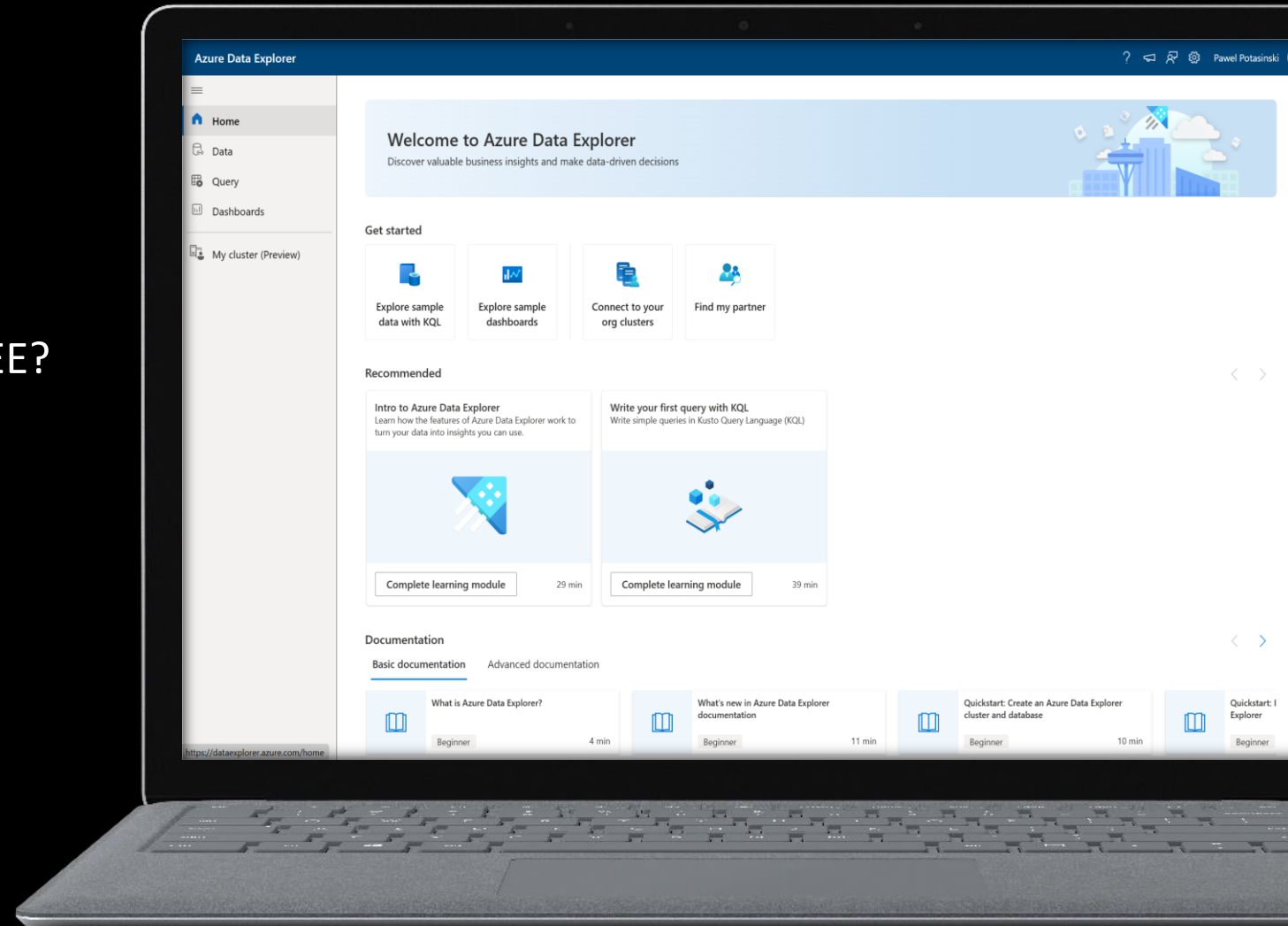
The image shows a screenshot of a code editor with a Kusto query. The query is: `1 GithubEvent`, `2 | where CreatedAt between(now() .. ago(1d))`, and `3 | summarize count() by`. An IntelliSense dropdown menu is open, showing a list of schema entities and functions. The entities listed are: Actor, CreatedAt, Id, Payload, Public, Repo, Type, abs(number), acos(number), ago(timespan), array_concat(array, ...), and array_if(condition_array, when_true, when_fals...). The 'Actor' entity is currently selected.

Example

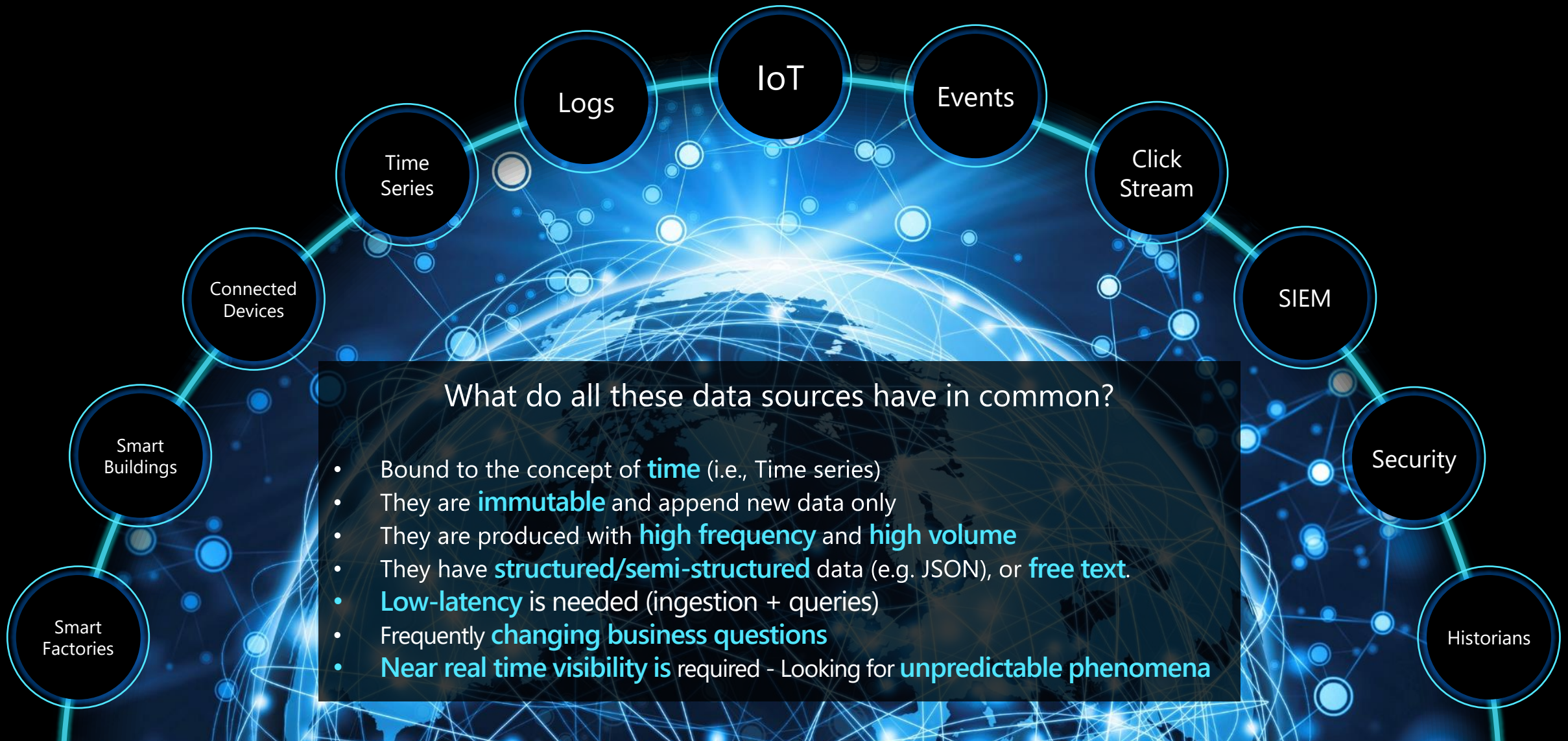
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StormEvents
| summarize event_count=count(), mid = avg(BeginLat) by State
| sort by mid
| where event_count > 1800
| project State, event_count
| render columnchart
```


DEMO

1. How to start playing with Kusto for FREE?
2. Data ingestion
3. Observational analytics with KQL
4. ADX integration with other tools and services



Scenarios for Azure Data Explorer



What do all these data sources have in common?

- Bound to the concept of **time** (i.e., Time series)
- They are **immutable** and append new data only
- They are produced with **high frequency** and **high volume**
- They have **structured/semi-structured** data (e.g. JSON), or **free text**.
- **Low-latency** is needed (ingestion + queries)
- Frequently **changing business questions**
- **Near real time visibility** is required - Looking for **unpredictable phenomena**



Azure Data Explorer Community Resources

Product

- ADX Product Page: <https://aka.ms/adx.pp>
- ADX 101: <https://aka.ms/adx.blog.101>
- Documentation: <https://aka.ms/adx.docs>
- Technical whitepaper: <https://aka.ms/adx.techwhitepaper>
- Cost estimator: <https://aka.ms/adx.cost>
- Customer stories: <https://aka.ms/adx.customers>
- Preloaded open "help" ADX cluster: <https://aka.ms/adx.try>

★ ★ ★ Start for free: <https://aka.ms/adx.free> ★ ★ ★

Blogs, Videos, Forums

- Blog: <https://aka.ms/adx.blog>
- YouTube channel: <https://aka.ms/adx.youtube>
- ADX intro video: <https://aka.ms/adx.intro>
- Reference architectures: <https://aka.ms/adx.architectures.video>
- Stack overflow: <https://aka.ms/adx.sof>

Social Media

- Twitter: [@AzDataExplorer](https://twitter.com/AzDataExplorer)
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/adxkusto/>

KQL

- KQL tutorial: <https://aka.ms/adx/query.tutorial>
- KQL cheat sheets:
 - <https://aka.ms/SQL2KQL>
 - <https://aka.ms/ADX.KQL.Quick>
 - <https://github.com/marcusbakker/KQL>
- Learn and practice KQL: <https://github.com/rod-trent/MustLearnKQL>
- KQL overview video: <https://adx.kql.video>

Free Online Learning

- Learn ADX for free: <https://aka.ms/adx/start>
- Learn how to query data using KQL: <https://aka.ms/ADX.Learn.Queries>
- Activate free benefit at Pluralsight: <https://aka.ms/adx.pluralsight>
- ADX courses at Pluralsight:
 - <https://aka.ms/adx.pluralsight.how-to-start-with-adx>
 - <https://aka.ms/adx.pluralsight.azure-data-exploring>
 - <https://aka.ms/adx.pluralsight.kql-from-scratch>
 - <https://aka.ms/adx.pluralsight.advanced-kql>

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<https://sqlb.it/?10314>

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