

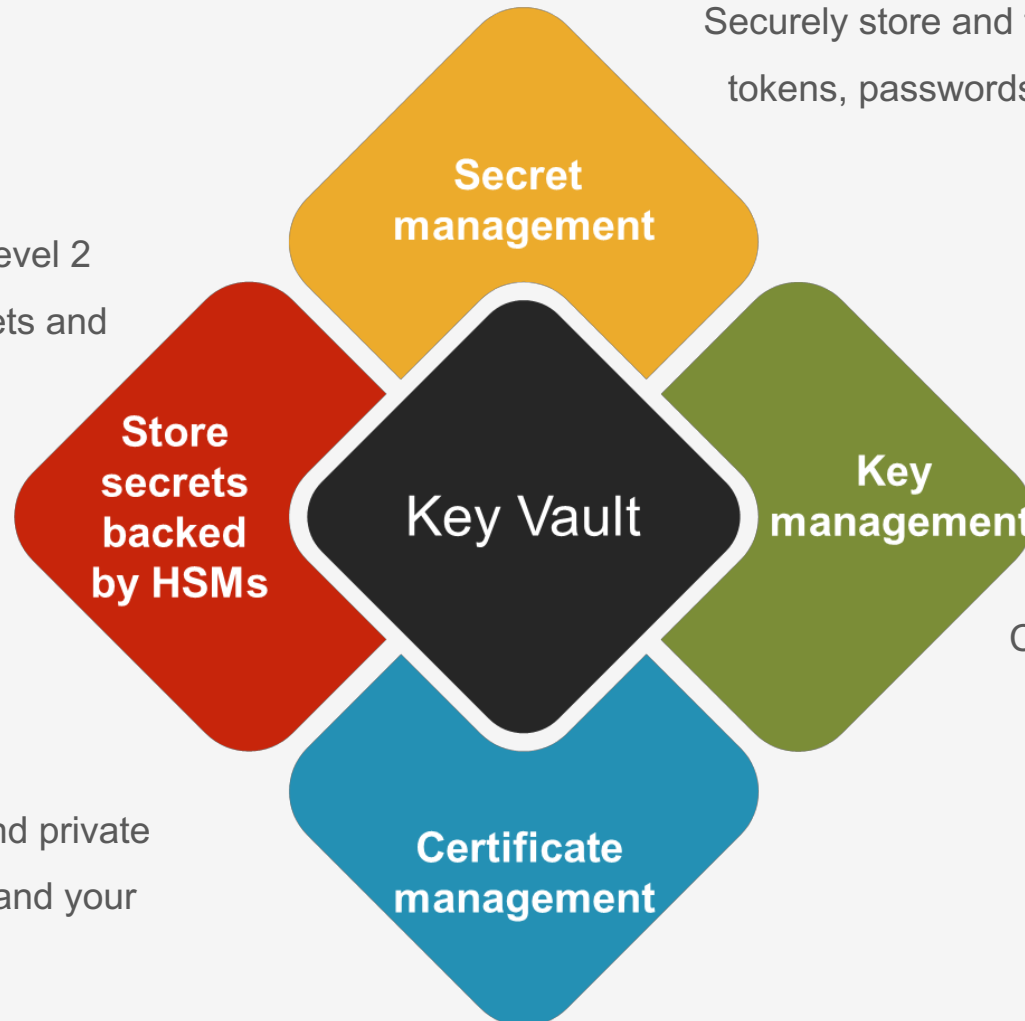
# Introduction to Azure Key Vault

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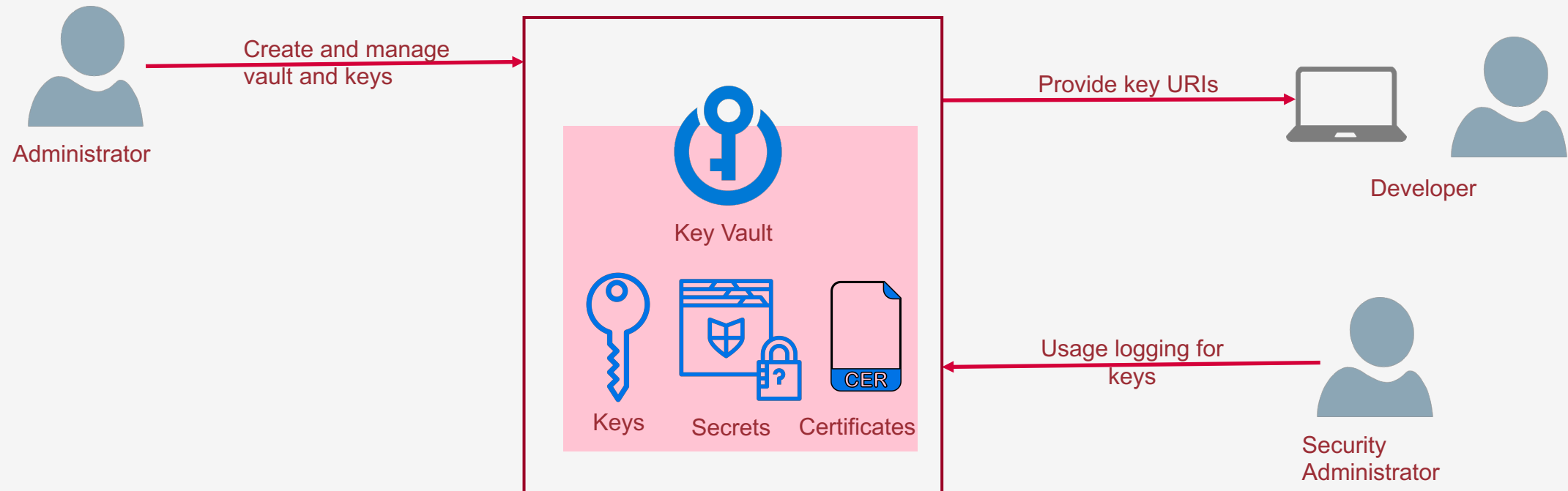
# Azure Key Vault overview

Azure Key Vault is a service for securely managing Keys, secrets, certificates and any other critical confidential information.

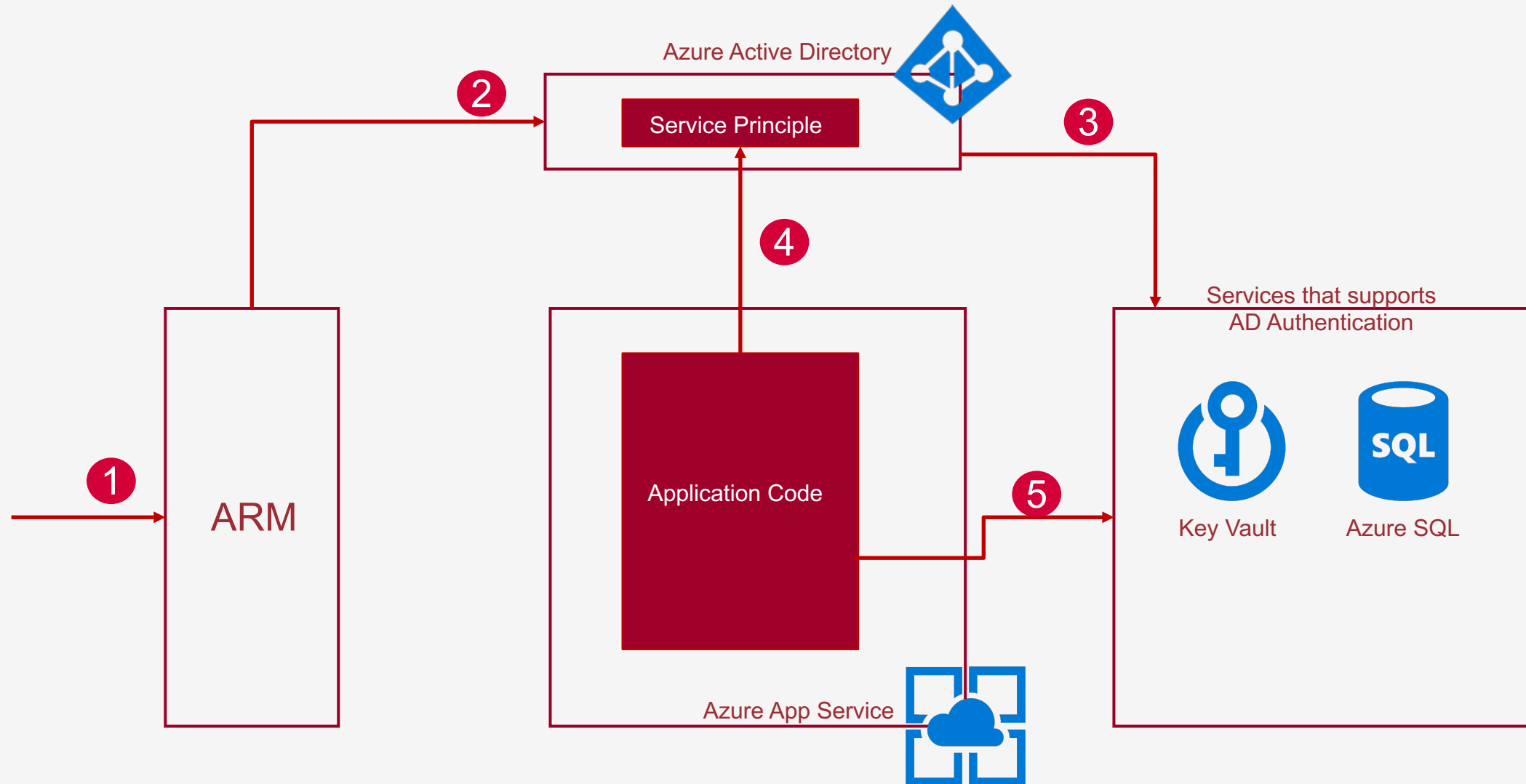
Use either software or FIPS 140-2 Level 2 validated HSMs to help protect secrets and keys.



# Key vault usage approach



# Azure Key Vault usage best practice



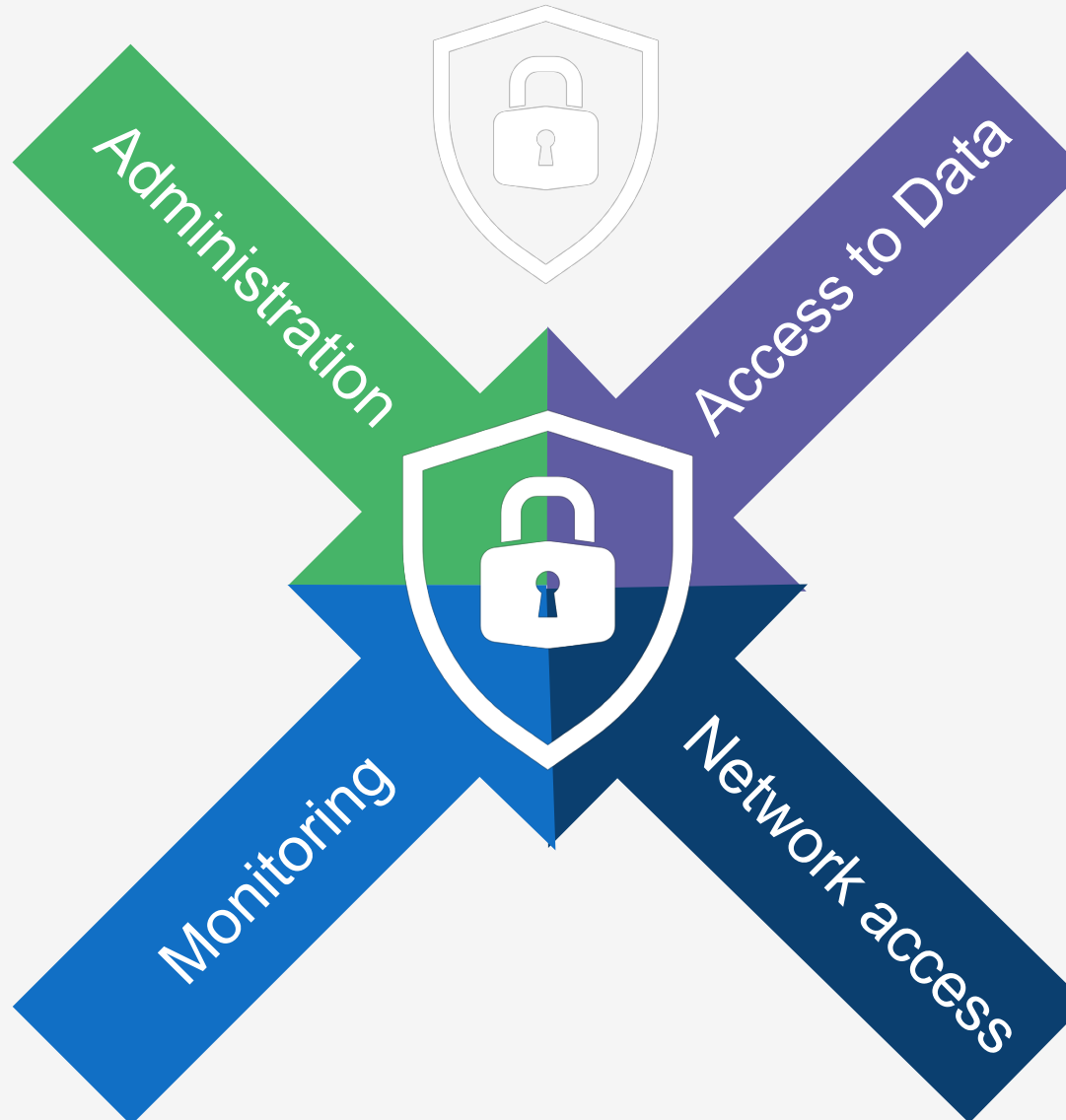
# Key vault security

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The management plane is where you manage Key Vault itself and it is the interface used to create and delete vaults. You can also read key vault properties and manage access policies.

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Key Vault logging saves information about the activities performed on your vault. Logging information can be accessed within 10 minutes after the key vault operation



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Key Vault access policies grant permissions separately to keys, secrets, or certificate. Access permissions for keys, secrets, and certificates are managed at the vault level.

03

You can reduce the exposure of your vaults by specifying which IP addresses have access to them. The virtual network service endpoints for Azure Key Vault allow you to restrict access to a specified virtual network.