

SharePoint Development

2017 wrap-up

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"Modern" experiences

Features

- ▶ Initial version released, but not the full story
 - ▶ Modern sites, lists and pages
- ▶ Recommendation to only use when all business requirements supported
- ▶ Gaps being addressed gradually
- ▶ All groups get a modern team site by default
- ▶ Modern team sites can be provisioned programmatically
- ▶ Branding – limited to custom theme!

"Modern" experiences

Limitations

- ▶ Modern team sites have "noscript" capability enabled – limited customisations
- ▶ No support for custom master pages
- ▶ No support for custom page layouts
- ▶ Sites require "user token" for creation – incompatible with some provisioning engines
- ▶ Limited or no support for User Custom Actions (JavaScript)
- ▶ No support for adding custom "alternate" CSS
- ▶ Sub sites still using classic experience
- ▶ Lots of core web parts missing

"Modern" experiences

Common business questions

"Can I use my company
branding with "modern"
sites?"

Yes...but only custom
themes...

"Can I associate a custom
JavaScript to render with
"modern" sites?"

No...

"Can I associate a custom
JavaScript to render with
"modern" lists and
libraries?"

No...

SPFx

- ▶ Release Candidate (RC0) now available
 - ▶ Only support for web parts
- ▶ Modern client-side development
- ▶ Lightweight web and mobile
- ▶ Powers Microsoft own experiences
- ▶ Backward compatible for "classic" sites
- ▶ Supports open source tools and JavaScript web frameworks



Webhooks

- ▶ SharePoint Webhooks is now Generally Available (GA)
- ▶ Only enabled for SharePoint list items or document library
- ▶ Only support asynchronous events – after a change happened
- ▶ Retry mechanist being one of the main features when compared to remote event receivers

February 2017

SPFx

- ▶ Documentation updated and new documentation released around SPFx development
- ▶ Released training material, including a “Getting started with SPFx” training package

General Availability!

SPFx

Organizational considerations

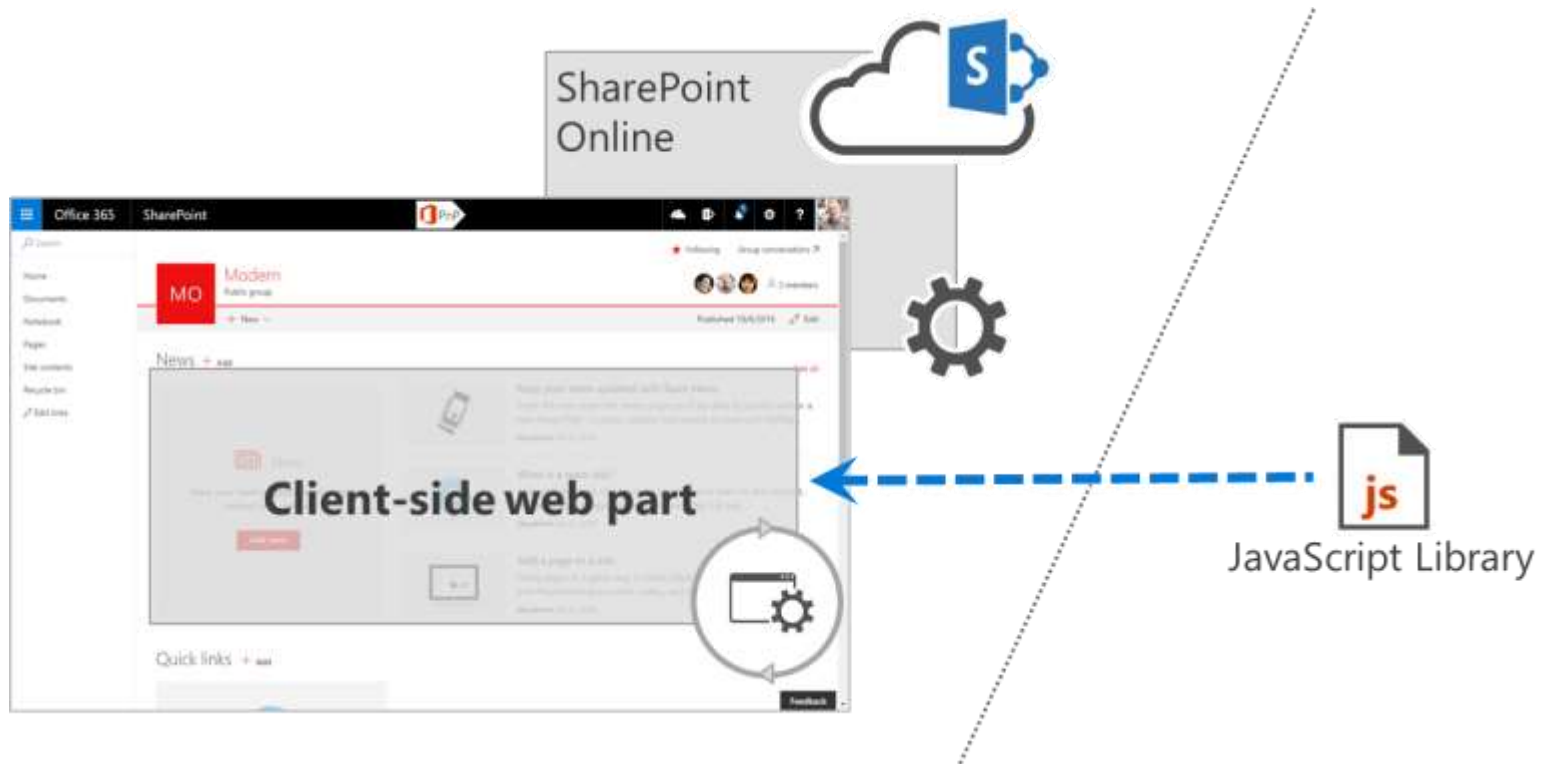
New
toolchain

New skillset

Client-side
libraries
usage

Hosting
location

Governance plan



SPFx – Anatomy

SPFx

Development/Architecture

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Requirements









Development
practices

Testing
approach













Deployment
to
production

Updates &
support

Development models comparison

	WSPs	Add-ins	External apps / SPAs	SharePoint Framework
Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Farm solutions only supported in on-premises• Only declarative sandbox solutions supported in SharePoint Online• Requires deep knowledge on SharePoint internals (xml structures)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decoupling customizations from SharePoint• Provides security model for the customization permissions• Limited web part experience as add-in part• Additional operational and maintenance requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Decouples customizations from SharePoint• Bring your own technology stack• Provides security model for customization permissions• Requires custom implementation of user interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Customization runs as part of the SharePoint page• Flexible web part and extension experience• Runs under permissions of current user• Industry standard development model
Support in cloud	 Office 365	 Office 365	 Office 365	 Office 365
Flexibility	Limited	Fair	Good	Excellent
Cost impact (short and long term)				

Client-side customizations in SharePoint

	SPFx	Add-ins	Script editor web part	Script embedding
Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solutions are deployed centrally as a tenant admin• JavaScript is executed with the permissions of end user	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isolated functionalities hosted either in iframe or outside of the SharePoint	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scripts are added on the pages by end users• Scripts can be hosted anywhere• Same with content editor web part	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Embedding scripts with Usercustomactions or JSLink• JavaScript files can be added by site owners using API• JS files hosted in the site
Works on 'no-script' sites				
Permissions model				
Centralized approval				

March 2017

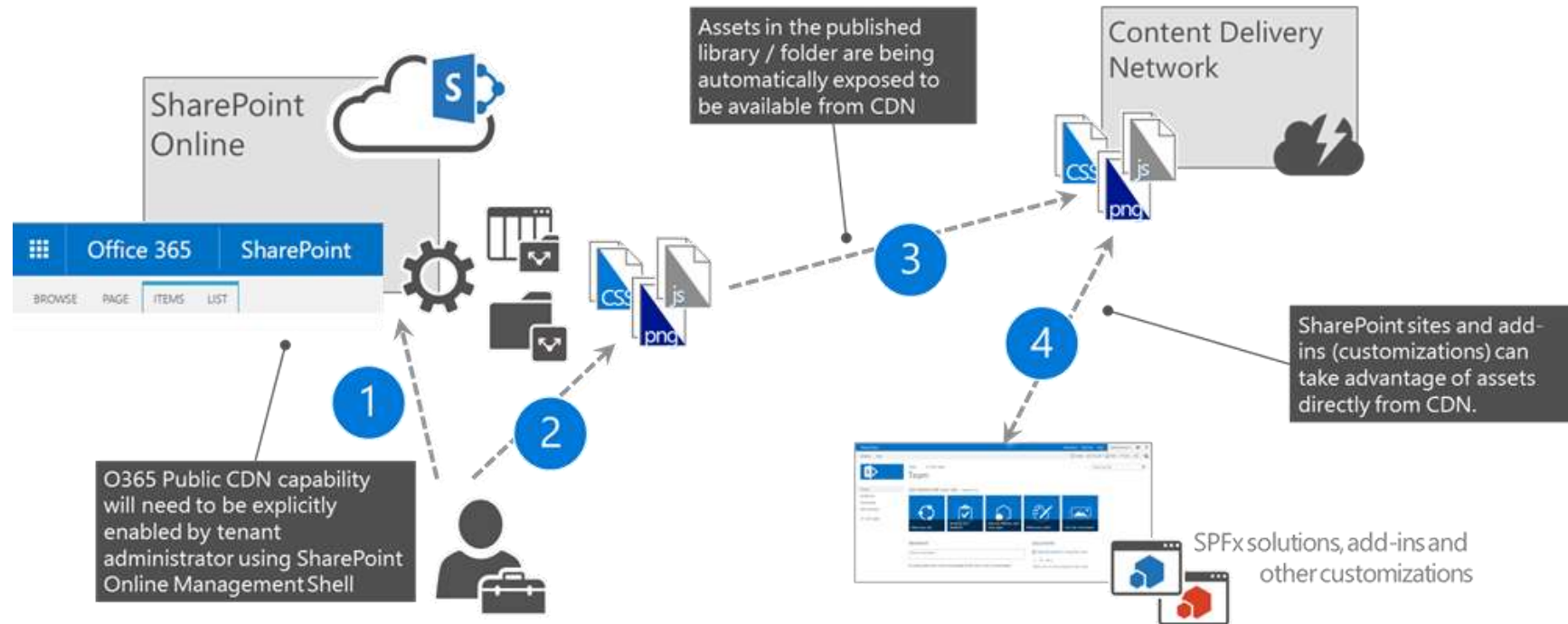
Special characters

▶ Support for % and #
in SharePoint Online!

April 2017

Guidance

- ▶ Additional guidance for SPFx solutions
 - ▶ Including guidance on how to debug!
- ▶ Guidelines for building well performing portals on SharePoint Online - to tackle impact on performance caused by growth and bad implementations
 - ▶ Performance
 - ▶ Information Architecture
 - ▶ Navigation
 - ▶ Data aggregation
 - ▶ Branding
 - ▶ Portal go live



Office 365 Public CDN General Available

May 2017

Add-in Web Parts

- ▶ Ability to add app parts from SharePoint add-ins to modern pages
 - ▶ Provider-Hosted SharePoint Add-ins
 - ▶ Including remote event receivers
 - ▶ SharePoint-hosted add-ins
- ▶ Opens the possibility to add existing add-ins to modern pages
- ▶ Opens the possibility to add apps from the SharePoint Store to a modern page

SPFx

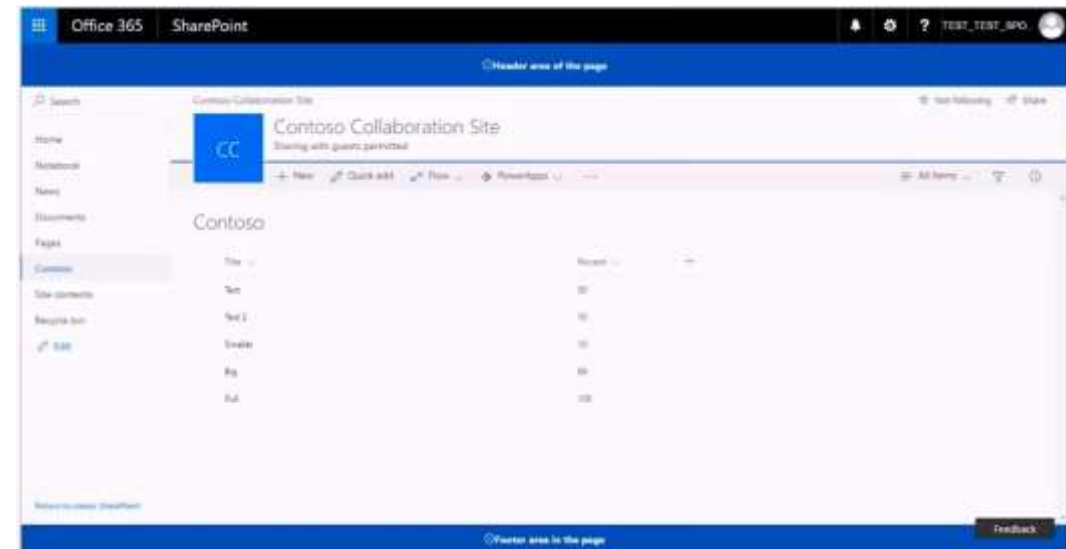
Developer training

- ▶ Module 1: Getting Started with the SharePoint Framework
- ▶ Module 2: Deep Dive of the SharePoint Framework
- ▶ Module 3: Working with SharePoint Content
- ▶ Module 4: Deploying SharePoint Framework to Production
- ▶ Module 5: Working with the Property Pane
- ▶ Module 6: Using React and Office UI Fabric
- ▶ Module 7: Working with different JavaScript Frameworks and Libraries

June 2017

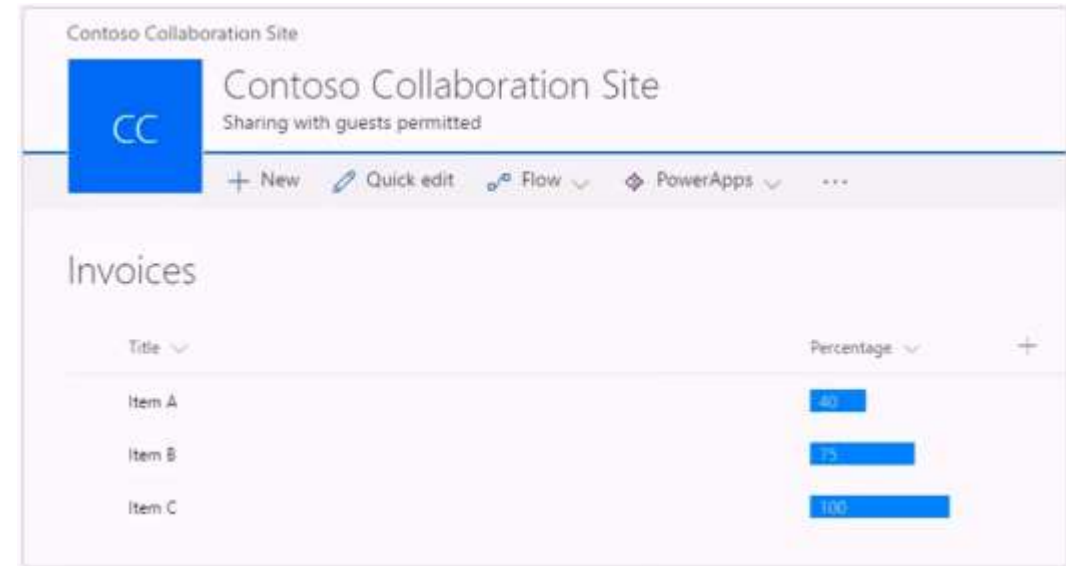
SPFx Extensions Dev Preview

- ▶ Application customizer
 - ▶ To embed visible or hidden customizations on a site
 - ▶ Can be associated to **Site Collection**, **Site** or a **List**



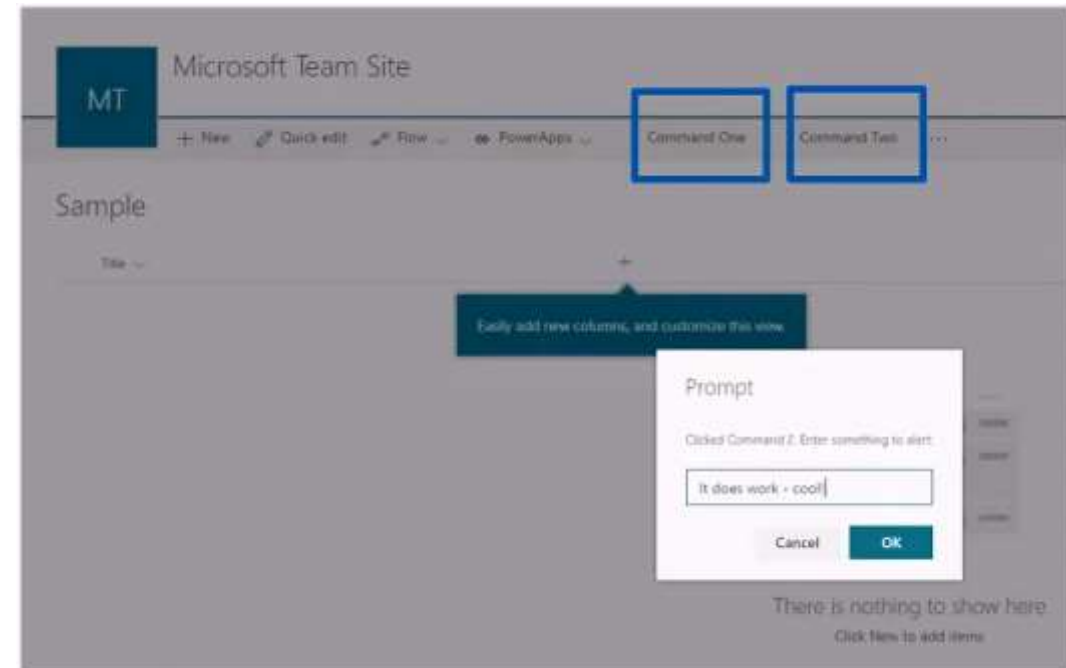
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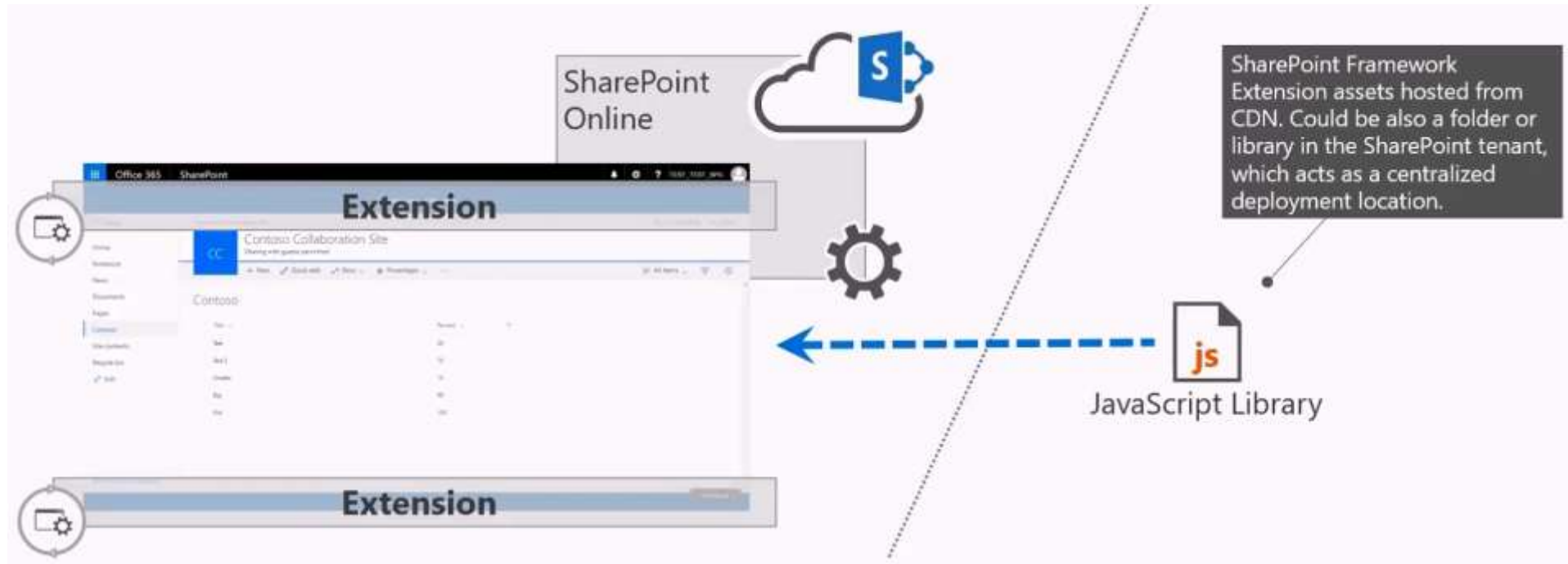
- ▶ Field customizer
 - ▶ To override field presentation in lists
 - ▶ Can be used with site columns or directly for a field in a list



SPFx Extensions Dev Preview

- ▶ ListView command set
 - ▶ To provide action buttons to lists
 - ▶ Supports **toolbar** and item context menu





SPFx Extensions Architecture

July 2017



Nothing to see
here...move on...

August 2017

Tenant-Scoped SPFx Package Deployment

- ▶ Install solution to app catalog
- ▶ Web parts are immediately available for usage
- ▶ Extensions are available if they are being associated to the right objects

Do you trust tenant-deploy-true-client-side-solution?

The client-side solution you are about to deploy contains full trust client side code. The components in the solution can, and usually do, run in full trust, and no resource usage restrictions are placed on them.

This client side solution will get content from the following domains:

<https://localhost:4321/>

☐ Make this solution available to all sites in the organization



tenant-deploy-true-client-side-solution

Deploy

Cancel

SPFx Extensions


Release Candidate (RC0)

- ▶ For developer and first release tenants
- ▶ Not ready for production usage
- ▶ To give feedback before General Availability
- ▶ No ETA for General Availability

September 2017

Get a team site connected to
Office 365 Groups

Use this design to collaborate with your team. Share documents, track events in a shared calendar, and manage project tasks.



Site name
fefe

Group email address
fefe

Site Address
https://vesaj.sharepoint.com/sites/fefe
Available

Site description
Tell people the purpose of this site

Privacy settings
Public - anyone in the organization can access this site

How sensitive is your data?
HBI

Usage guidelines

Next Cancel

Site classification

RELEASED PREVIOUSLY, BUT NOT ANNOUNCED

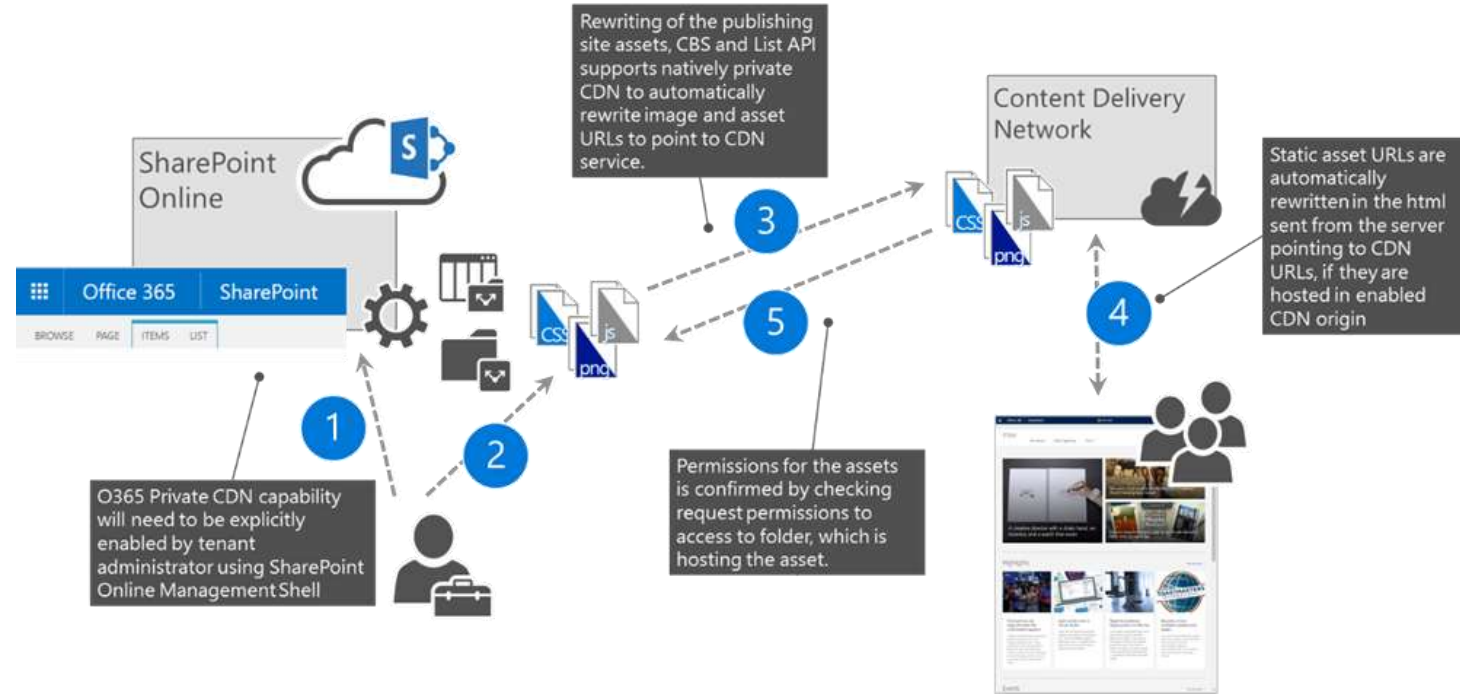
SharePoint Server 2016 Feature Pack 2

SharePoint Framework
web parts in classic
pages

Extensions not
supported – not yet
released for production

Support for Yeoman
generator 1.X

Configuration required
to allow hosting of
.json files

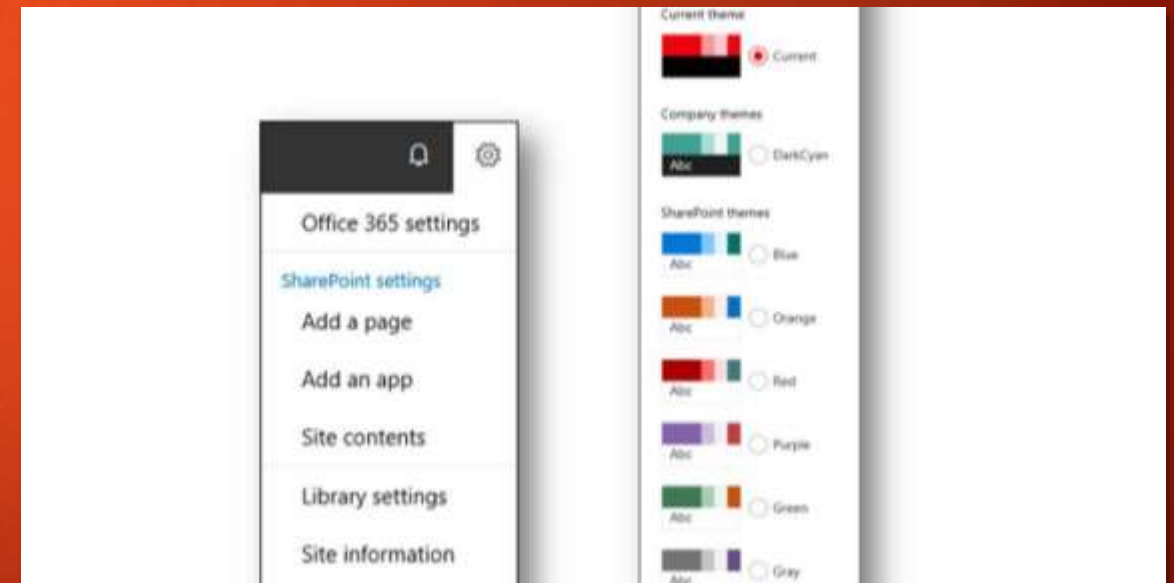
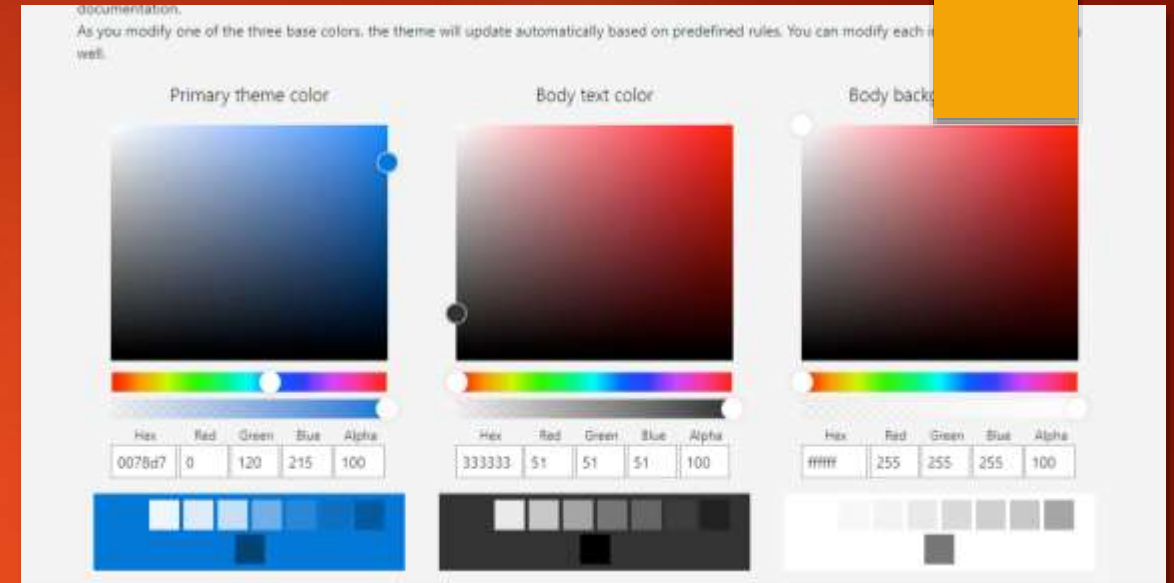


Office 365 Private CDN with Publishing Auto-Rewriting
General Available

October 2017

Custom Themes

- ▶ Central gallery to host custom themes for entire organization
- ▶ PowerShell commands to manage and hide out-of-the-box themes



Office UI Fabric Core

Improved support

- ▶ New package (@microsoft/sp-office-ui-fabric-core)
- ▶ Package contains the following Office UI Fabric Core styles
 - ▶ Typography
 - ▶ Layouts
 - ▶ Colors
 - ▶ Themes
 - ▶ Text Direction
- ▶ Starting on version 1.3.4 of the Yeoman generator, new projects will use this package by default and stop using global styles
- ▶ The following modules are still not supported
 - ▶ Animations
 - ▶ Icons

November 2017

ALM APIs

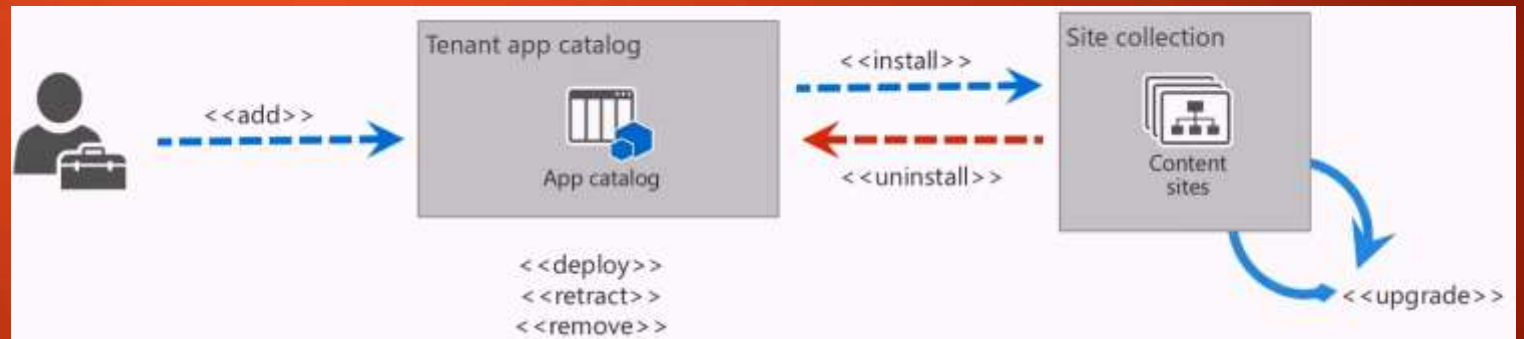
- ▶ Site level operations

- ▶ Available Apps
- ▶ Get By Id
- ▶ Install
- ▶ Upgrade
- ▶ Uninstall

- ▶ App catalog operations

- ▶ Add
- ▶ Deploy
- ▶ Retract
- ▶ Remove

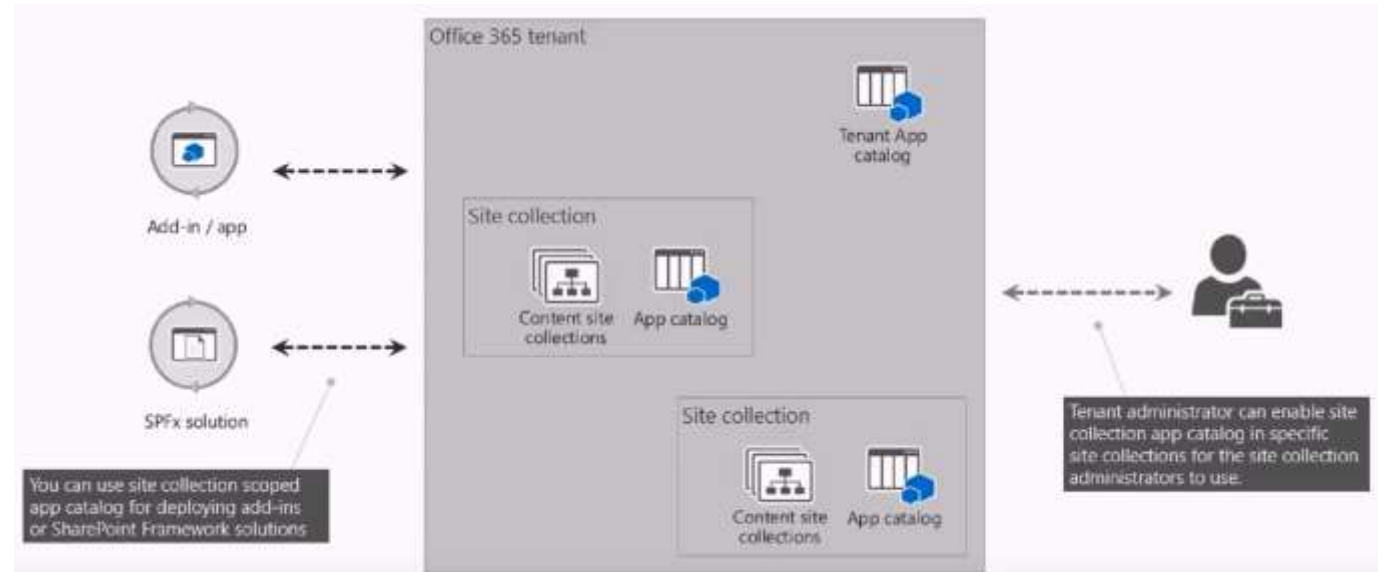
- ▶ Automate add-in or SPFx solution deployment and management
- ▶ REST format
- ▶ CSOM and PowerShell support provided through PnP channels



December 2017

Site collection App Catalog

- ▶ Provide flexibility for deployment options
- ▶ Decentralize management of add-ins and SPFx packages
- ▶ Scoped deployments



Assets included in deployment packages

- ▶ No additional assets hosting location needed
- ▶ Organization in control of solution assets
- ▶ **Possible to promote the same package through dev, UAT and prod**

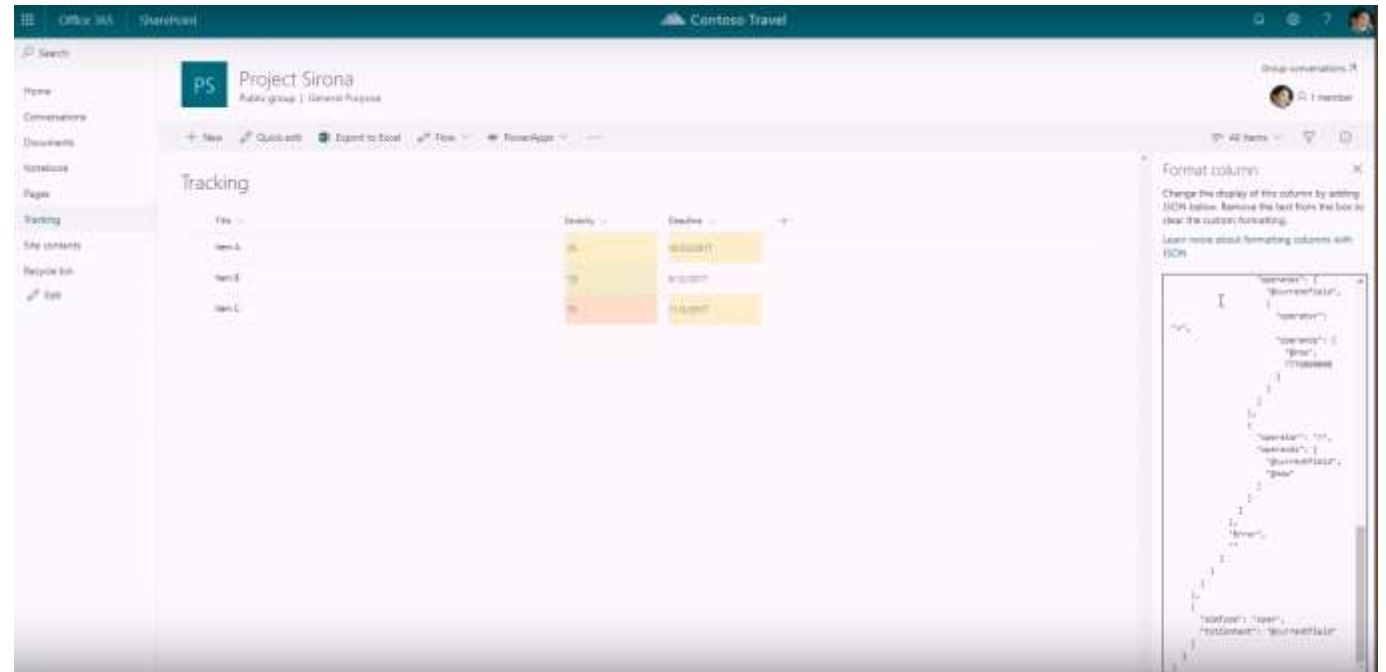


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ROADMAP

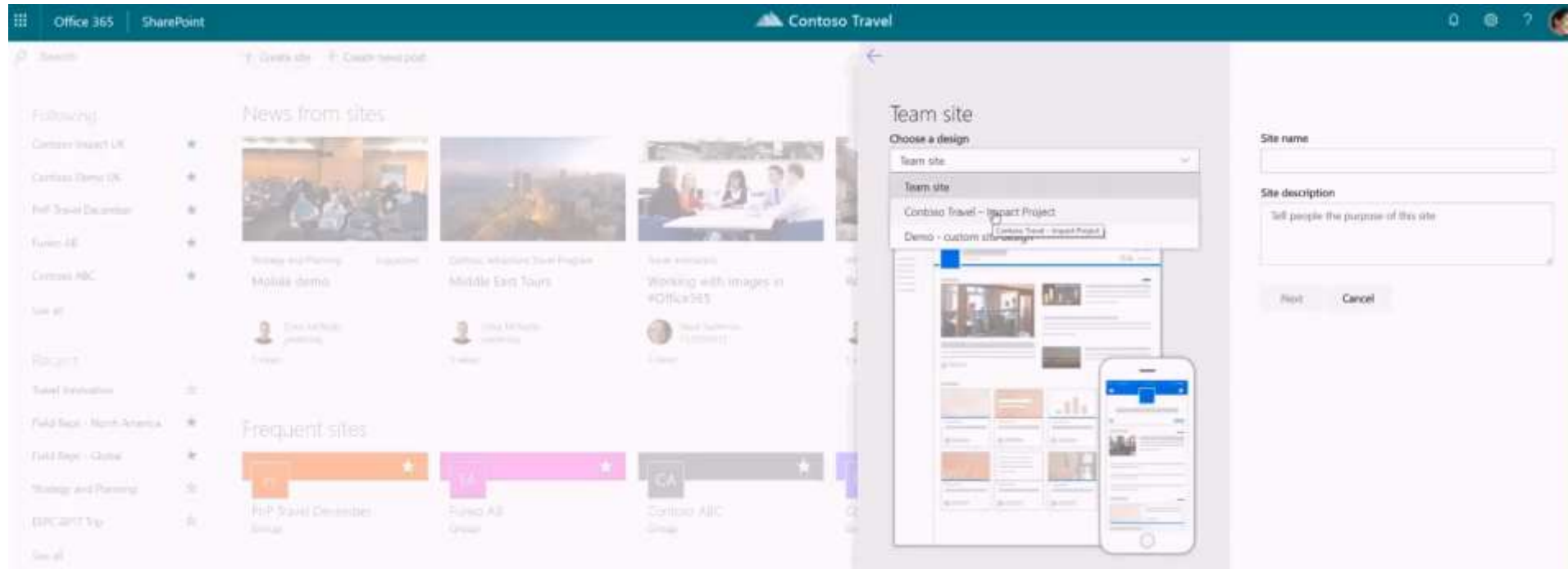
Column formatting

- ▶ Enables simple UI level configurations
- ▶ Own json format to define the rendering rules

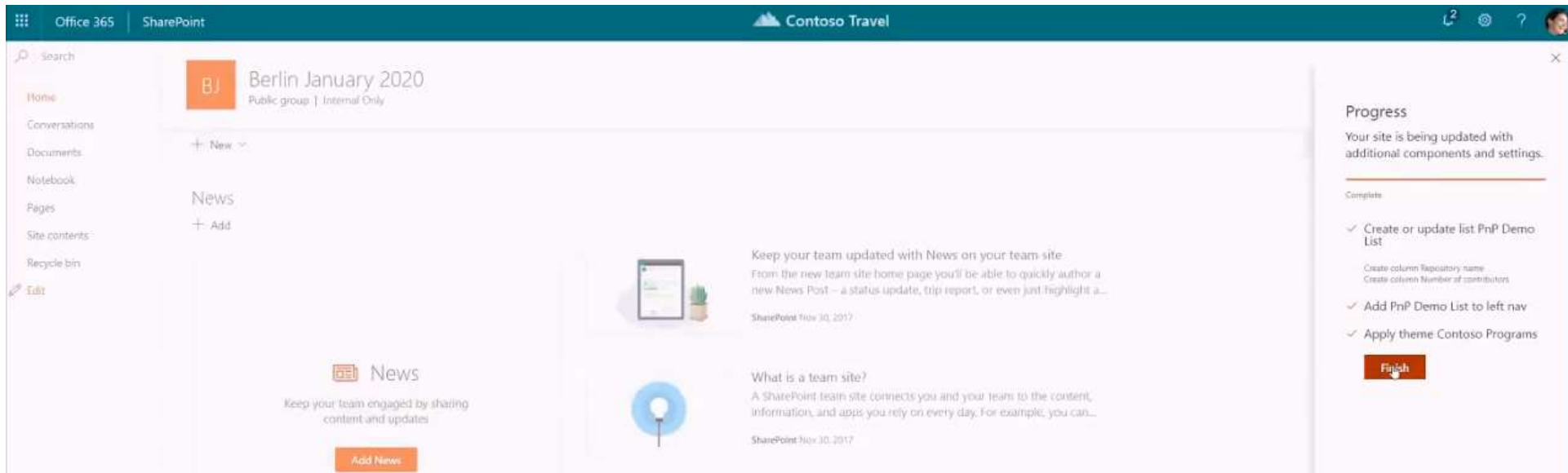


Tenant Properties

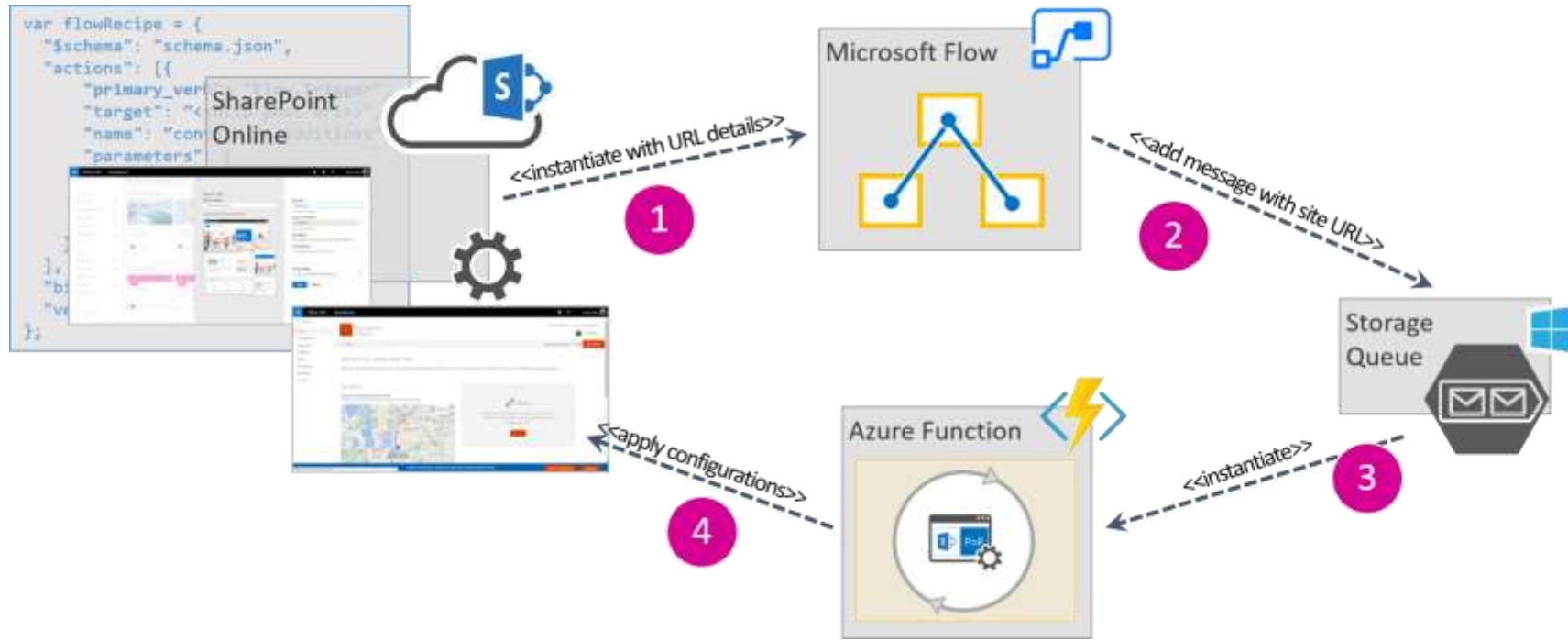
- ▶ Store publicly available values
- ▶ Managed by admins using PowerShell
- ▶ Stored in the App Catalog
- ▶ Not specific to SharePoint Framework
- ▶ REST API to retrieve values using the configuration key set by the admin



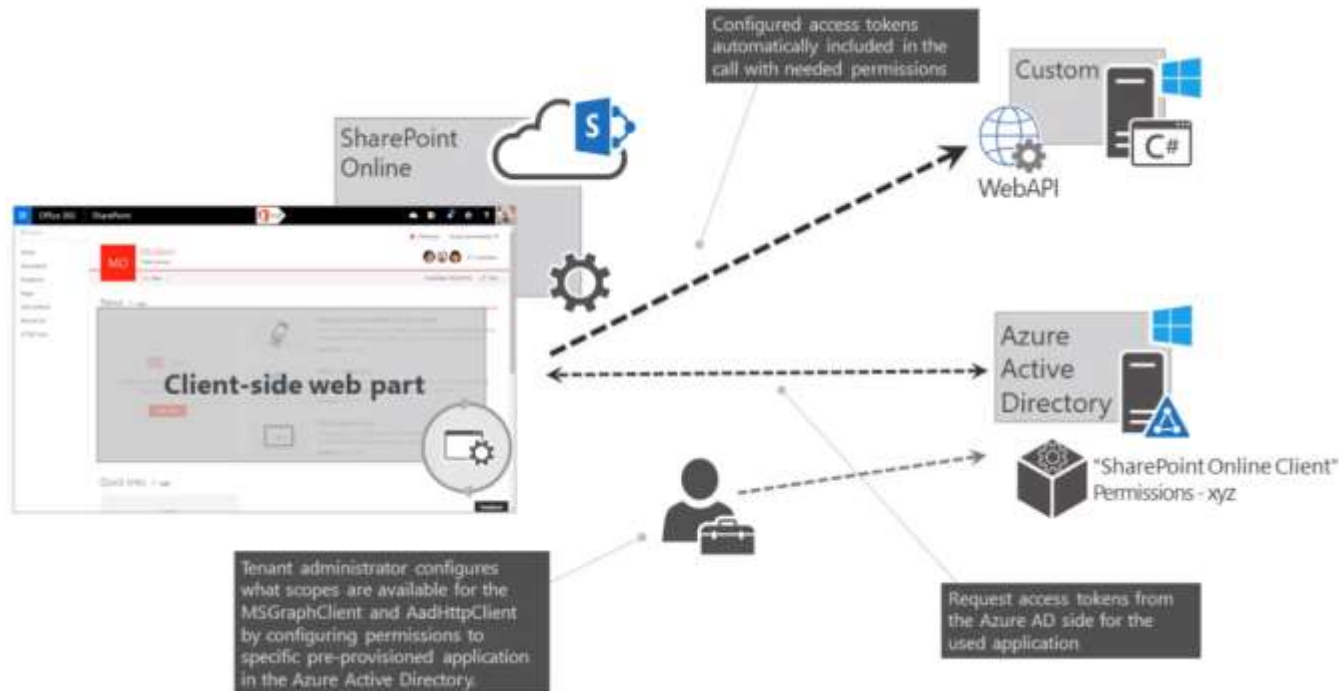
Site Designs – First Release tenants



Site Designs



Site Designs



MS Graph - Additional support

Roadmap

- ▶ Hub sites and APIs
- ▶ Groupify APIs