

Python and Windows Azure

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Cloud Computing



IaaS

Infrastructure-as-a-Service

host



PaaS

Platform-as-a-Service

build



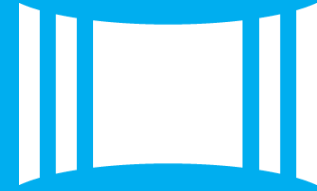
SaaS

Software-as-a-Service

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Windows Azure

Comprehensive set of services that enable you to quickly build, deploy and manage applications across a global network of Microsoft-managed datacenters



Flexible



Open



Solid



Global
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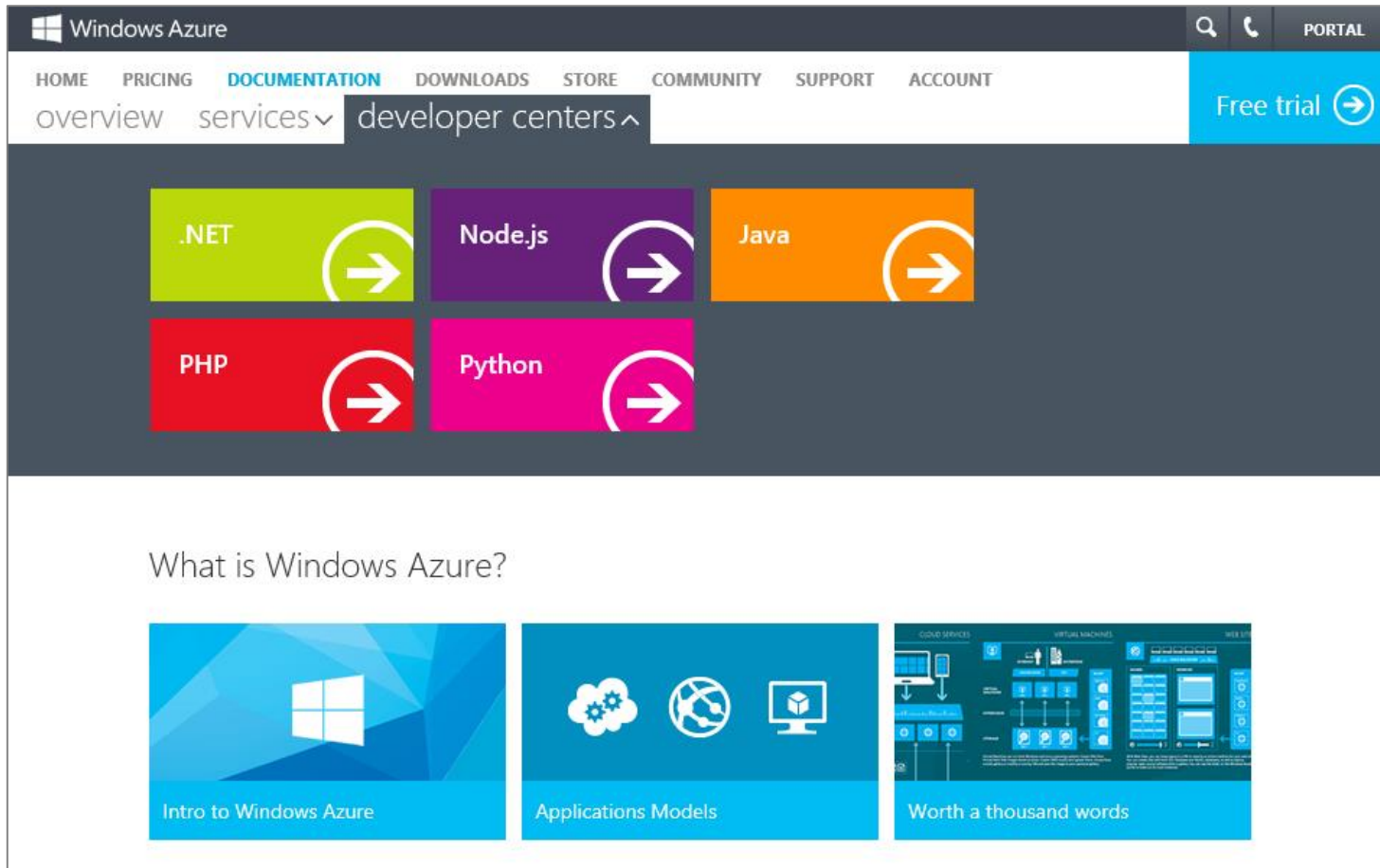
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Multiple
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PTVS: Python Tools for Visual Studio

Python Tools for VS:

- Syntax hi-lite
- Intellisense
- Find / Browse

- Project mgmt
- Solutions
- Deployment

- Built-in REPL
- IPython REPL
- Interactive Parallel Computing
- Inline graphics

- Profiler
- A/B comparisons

- Parallel Watch view
- Parallel Stack view

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Visual Studio interface with the Python Tools for VS extension. The main editor displays a Python script for calculating pi using MPI. The bottom panels show the Parallel Watch, Threads, and Parallel Stacks views.

Code in the Editor:

```
def update_pi(mympi):  
    sndBuf = np.array([mympi], 'd')  
    rcvBuf = np.array([0.0], 'd')  
    comm.Allreduce([sndBuf, MPI.DOUBLE], [rcvBuf, MPI.DOUBLE], op=MPI.SUM)  
    pi = (4.0 / comm.Get_size()) * rcvBuf[0]  
    return pi  
  
def computePi(nsamples):  
    rank, size = comm.Get_rank(), comm.Get_size()  
    oldpi, pi, mypi = 0.0, 0.0, 0.0  
  
    done = False  
    while not done:  
        inside = calculate_number_of_hits_in_circle(nsamples)  
  
        oldpi = pi  
        mypi = (inside * 1.0) / nsamples
```

Parallel Watch View:

[Process]	mympi
[1240]	195.86799999999999
[6968]	785.58399999999995
[11524]	0.0

Threads View:

ID	Managed ID	Name	Location	Prio
Process ID: 11524 (1 thread)				
4828	0	MainThread	update_pi update_pi in computePi i Program mc	Norn
Process ID: 11904 (1 thread)				
Process ID: 1240 (1 thread)				

Parallel Stacks View:

- 3 Processes 3 Threads: update_pi
- 1 Process 1 Thread: calculate_number_of_hits_in_circle
- 4 Processes 4 Threads: computePi (Program module)

- CPython
- IronPython
- Or any interpreter

- Python Debugger
- .Net Debugger
- Remote Debugging

- HPC Support
- F5 MPI debugging
- Batch or Interactive

Typical Scenarios

- General purpose programming
 - Projects
 - Edit/Intellisense/Browse
 - Debug
 - Profile
- Cloud / Web
 - Azure Cloud Service
 - Azure Web Sites
 - Django, WFastCGI included
 - IPython notebook
- Technical / Scientific Computing
 - HPC / MPI
 - Cluster Debugging
 - Inline REPL graphics
 - IPython REPL & notebook

PTVS Features

```
1 people = [('Bob', 42, 72), ('Tom', 30, 68)]
2
3 for person, age, height in people:
4     print(person.
    capitalize
    center
    count
```

Intellisense

```
Program.py
1 print('Hello World')
2
3 class C(object):
4     def __init__(self):
5         self.abc = 42
6     def f(self):
7         print('abc')
8
9 def f(x):
10     print x.f()
11     return x
12
13 f(C())
14
```

Debugging

```
Python 2.7 Interactive
UserDict

>>> print("hello")
hello
>>> def f():
...     pass
...
>>> $mod UserDict
Current module changed to UserDict
>>> dir()
['DictMixin', 'IterableUserDict', 'UserDict',
'__package__', '__abcoll']
>>>
```

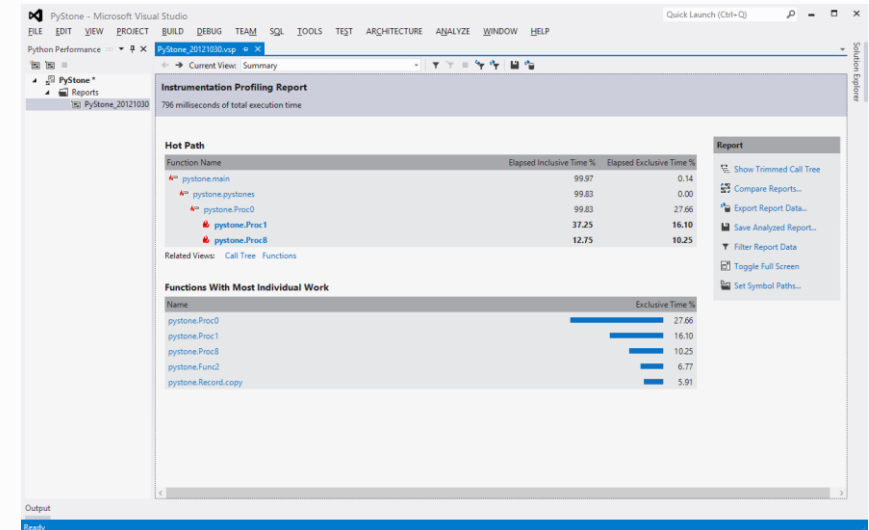
REPL – IPython too

```
183
184 class Clamped(D
185     """Exponent
186
187     This occurs
188     altered in
189     representat
190     be outside
191     number woul
192     this latter
193     number of z
194     """
195
196 class InvalidOp
197     """An inval
198
199     Various bad
200
201     Something c
202     -INF + INF
203     0 * (+-)INF
204     (/) TIME / (/) TIME
```

Find All Refs

```
Program.py
Volume
1 class Volume(object):
2     def calc(self):
3         pi = 3.14
4         r = 45
5         sphere = 4./3. * pi * r**3
```

Refactor/Rename



Profiling

Cloud / Web

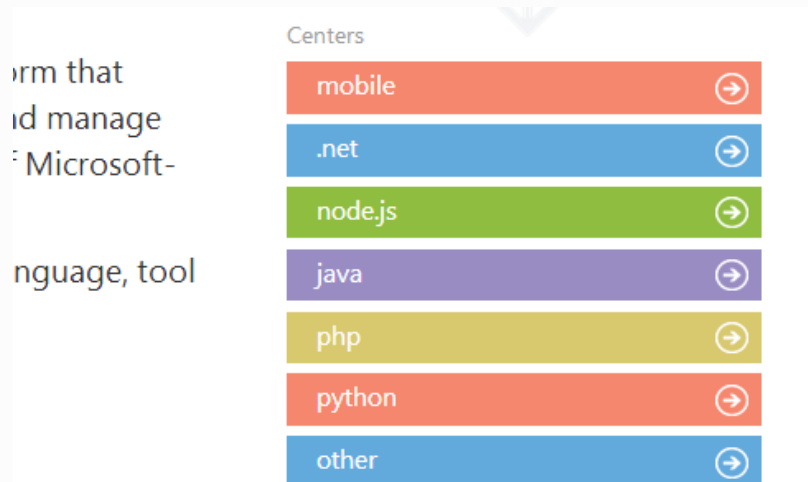


Table Storage

To ensure a table exists, call `create_table`:

```
from azure.storage import TableService
ts = TableService(account_name, account_key)
ts.create_table('tasktable')
```

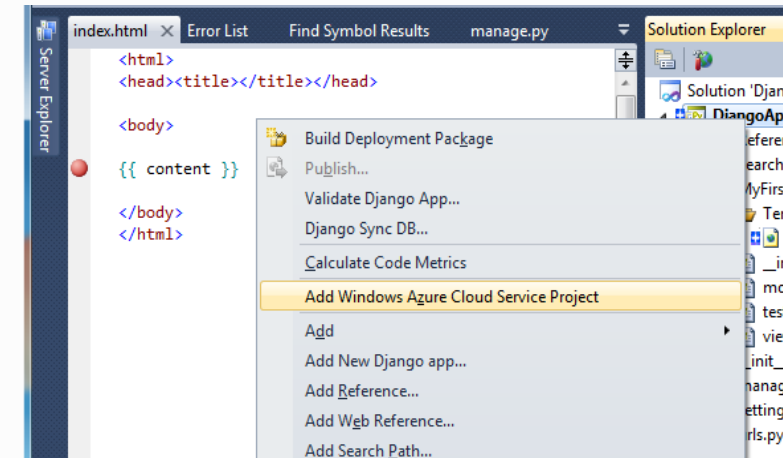
A new entity can be added by calling `insert_entity`:

```
from datetime import datetime
ts = TableService(account_name, account_key)
ts.create_table('tasktable')
ts.insert_entity(
    'tasktable',
    {
        'PartitionKey': 'tasksSeattle',
        'RowKey': '1',
        'Description': 'Take out the trash',
        'DueDate': datetime(2011, 12, 14, 12)
    }
)
```

Azure Python Client Libs for
Windows, MacOS, Linux



Django template debug



Django Deploy

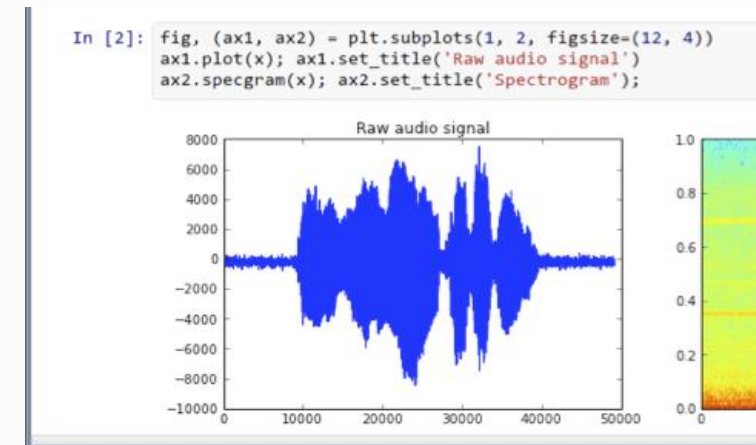
2. Setup the Python Fast CGI Handler

```
%windir%\system32\inetsrv\appcmd set config
/section:system.webServer/fastCGI "/+[fullPath='c:\Python
arguments='C:\inetpub\wwwroot\wfastcgi.py']"
```

3. Register the handler for this site

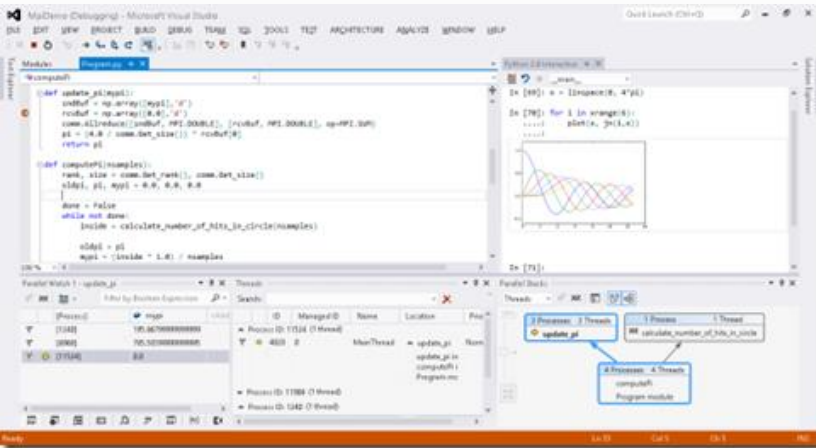
```
%windir%\system32\inetsrv\appcmd set config
/section:system.webServer/handlers "/+
[name='Python_via_FastCGI',path='*',verb='*',modules='Fas
ptProcessor='c:\Python27\python.exe|C:\inetpub\wwwroot\w
rceType='Unspecified']"
```

WFastCGI for use with Django,
Flask, Bottle, Web2Py, ...



IPython Notebook: Python
in the browser

Technical / Scientific Computing



PTVS + Numpy + SciPy is a productive T.C. Workbench

Cluster Selector

Head Node: MSRAR001.redmond.corp.microsoft.com

Number of processes: 40

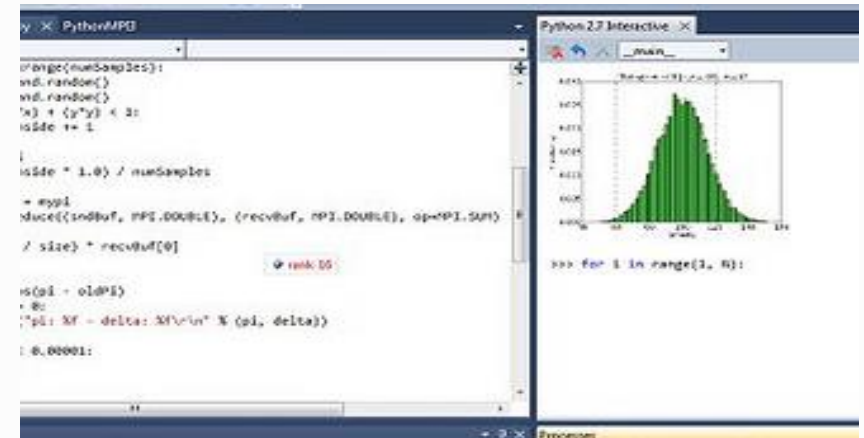
Schedule one process per: Core

Pick nodes from: ComputeNodes

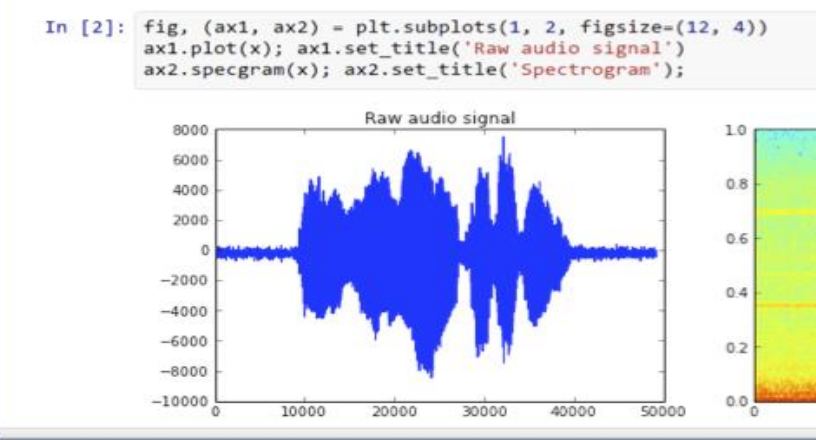
☒ Manually select nodes to include in the allocation

Node	CPU (MHz)	Memory (MB)	Cores	State
<input type="checkbox"/> MSRAR002	2327	16379	8	Online
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MSRAR008	2327	16379	8	Online
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MSRAR009	2327	16379	8	Online
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MSRAR003	2327	16379	8	Online
<input type="checkbox"/> MSRAR010	2327	16379	8	Online

HPC / MPI w support for cluster debugging



Inline Graphics in REPL



IPython notebook: Python in browser; any OS/ any browser

```
import numpy as np
import numpy.fft as fft

x = np.fromfile('signal.dat', dtype='>i4,>i2,>i2')

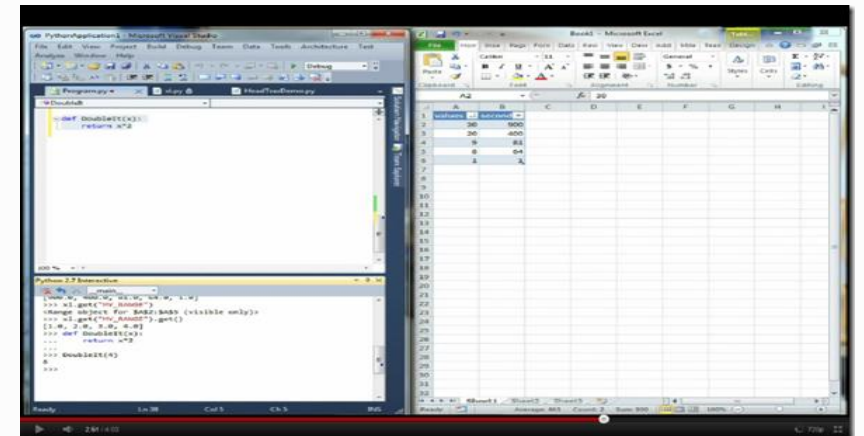
# Copy, convert to native floats, rescale
sig = np.array(x['f1'], dtype=np.float32) / 32768

# Alternate: since no file is provided, we can make up some data:
data = [math.sin(np.pi / 8 * i) for i in range(320)]
noise = [np.random.rand() * 0.02 for i in range(320)]
sig = np.array(data, dtype='f')
sig += np.array(noise)

f = fft.fft(sig)

print "Strongest frequency = %d n" % np.argmax(np.abs(f))
```

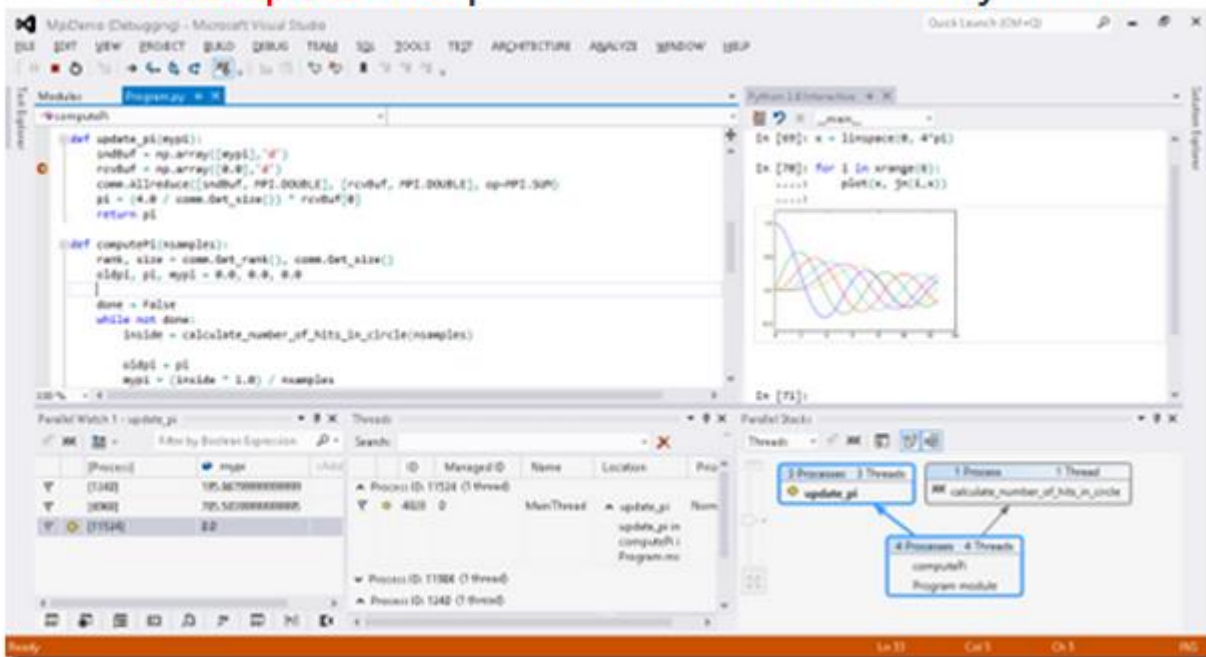
Experimental: .Net versions of Numpy + SciPy



Pyvot: A live bridge between PTVS and Excel



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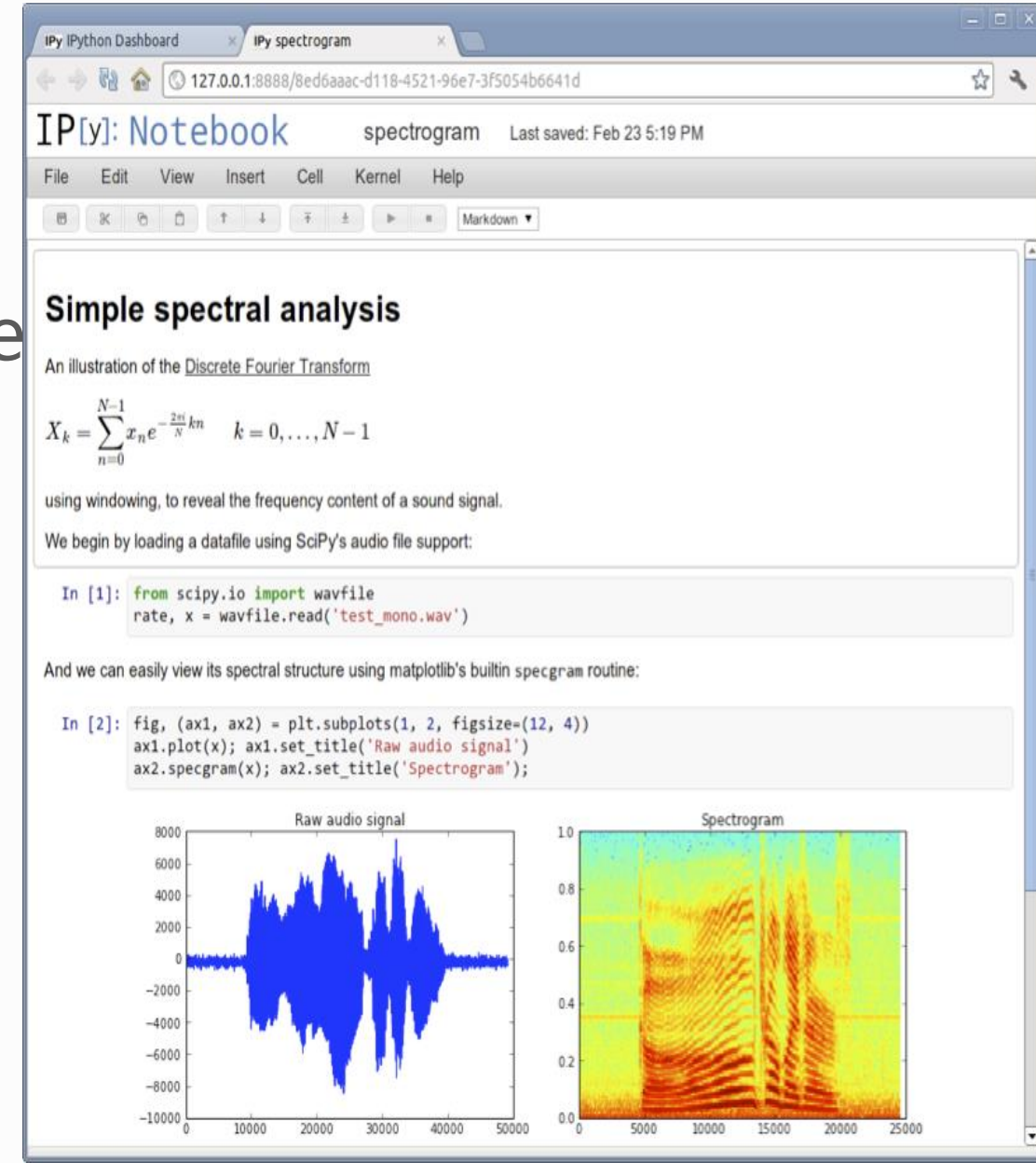
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Python on Azure: IPython notebook

- Python IDE in browser
 - Any Browser
 - Any OS
- Backed by Python engine on Azure
 - Windows or Linux
- Key features
 - Intellisense, completion, ...
 - Inline graphics
 - Markdown
- “Executable Document”
- IPython REPL also built-into PTVS



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```
from QuantLib import *

# global data
todaysDate = Date(15,May,1998)
Settings.instance().evaluationDate = todaysDate
settlementDate = Date(17,May,1998)
riskFreeRate = FlatForward(settlementDate, 0.06, Actual365Fixed())

# option parameters
exercise = AmericanExercise(settlementDate, Date(17,May,1999))
payoff = PlainVanillaPayoff(Option.Put, 40.0)

# market data
underlying = SimpleQuote(36.0)
volatility = BlackConstantVol(todaysDate, TARGET(), 0.20, Actual365Fixed())
dividendYield = FlatForward(settlementDate, 0.00, Actual365Fixed())
```


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method	value	estimated error	actual error
reference value	4.48667	n/a	0.0000
Barone-Adesi-Whaley	4.46563	n/a	0.0210
Bjerkstrand-Stensland	4.45885	n/a	0.0278
finite differences	4.49391	n/a	0.0072
binomial (JR)	4.48655	n/a	0.0001
binomial (CRR)	4.48642	n/a	0.0003
binomial (EQP)	4.48010	n/a	0.0066
bin. (Trigeorgis)	4.48646	n/a	0.0002
binomial (Tian)	4.48641	n/a	0.0003
binomial (LR)	4.48608	n/a	0.0006

```
process = BlackScholesMertonProcess(QuoteHandle(underlying),
                                     YieldTermStructureHandle(dividendYield),
                                     YieldTermStructureHandle(riskFreeRate),
                                     BlackVolTermStructureHandle(volatility))

option = VanillaOption(payoff, exercise)

refValue = 4.48667344
report('reference value', refValue)

# method: analytic

option.setPricingEngine(BaroneAdesiWhaleyEngine(process))
report('Barone-Adesi-Whaley', option.NPV())

option.setPricingEngine(BjerksundStenslandEngine(process))
report('Bjerksund-Stensland', option.NPV())

# method: finite differences
timeSteps = 801
gridPoints = 800

option.setPricingEngine(FDAmericanEngine(process, timeSteps, gridPoints))
report('finite differences', option.NPV())
```

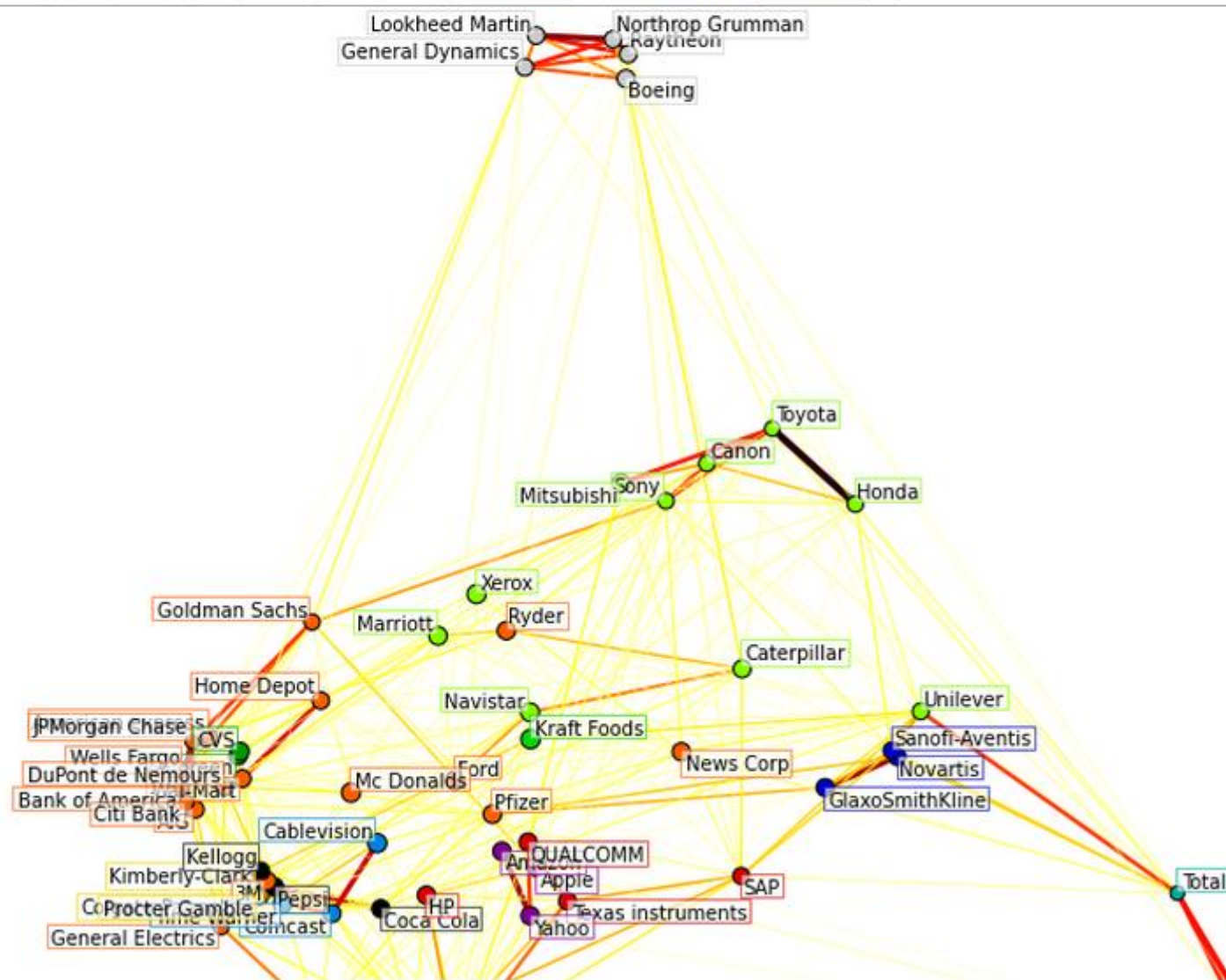
```
import numpy as np
import pylab as pl
from matplotlib import finance
from matplotlib.collections import LineCollection

from sklearn import cluster, covariance, manifold

#####
# Retrieve the data from Internet

# Choose a time period reasonably calm (not too long ago so that we get
# high-tech firms, and before the 2008 crash)
d1 = datetime.datetime(2003, 01, 01)
d2 = datetime.datetime(2008, 01, 01)

symbol_dict = {
    'TOT': 'Total',
    'XOM': 'Exxon',
    'CVX': 'Chevron',
    'COP': 'ConocoPhillips',
    'VLO': 'Valero Energy',
    'MSFT': 'Microsoft',
    'IBM': 'IBM',
}
```





Virtual machines

Windows Server and Linux
Flexible Workload Support
Virtual Private Networking

Virtual machine operating system selection

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Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1



Windows Server 2012 Datacenter



OpenLogic CentOS 6.3



openSUSE 12.3



RightScale Linux v13



SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 11 SP2



Ubuntu 12.04



Ubuntu 12.10



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Microsoft SQL Server...

SQL Server 2012 SP1 Cumulative Update 2 Evaluation Edition (64-bit) on Windows Server 2008 R2 Service Pack 1. Virtual Machines created by using this SQL Server Evaluation Edition will expire on August 20, 2013. This image contains the full version of SQL Server. Some SQL Server 2012 components require additional setup and configuration before use. Medium is the minimum recommended virtual machine size for this image. To evaluate the advanced capabilities of SQL Server 2012, we recommend that you use a virtual machine size of Large or Extra Large.

PUBLISHER	Microsoft SQL Server Group
OS FAMILY	Windows
LOCATION	East Asia;Southeast Asia;North Europe;West Europe;East US;West US



Virtual machine configuration

VERSION RELEASE DATE ?

February 27, 2013



VIRTUAL MACHINE NAME ?

NEW USER NAME

azureuser

NEW PASSWORD

CONFIRM

SIZE

Extra Large (8 cores, 14 GB Memory)

☐ UPLOAD SSH KEY FOR AUTHENTICATION ?

Ubuntu 12.10

Ubuntu Server 12.10 (amd64 20130227) for Windows Azure. Ubuntu Server is the world's most popular Linux for cloud environments. Updates and patches for Ubuntu 12.10 will be available until April 2014. Ubuntu Server is the perfect platform for all workloads from web applications to NoSQL databases and Hadoop. More information can be found at: <http://www.ubuntu.com/business/server>

PUBLISHER

Canonical

OS FAMILY

Linux

LOCATION

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jeffwilcoxmsft

 authored 15 days ago

latest commit 738c79

src

16 days ago

Updated version for next release [huguesv]

test

15 days ago

Split normal run and coverage run in separate batch files and added a... [huguesv]

Deploy & run Python on Virtual Machine



Demo

```
from azure import *
from azure.servicemanagement import *

sms = ServiceManagementService(subscription_id, certificate_path)

name = 'myvm'
location = 'West US'

# You can either set the location or an affinity_group
sms.create_hosted_service(service_name=name, label=name, location=location)

# Name of an os image as returned by list_os_images
image_name = 'OpenLogic__OpenLogic-CentOS-62-20120531-en-us-30GB.vhd'

# Destination storage account container/blob where the VM disk
# will be created
media_link = 'url_to_target_storage_blob_for_vm_hd'

# Linux VM configuration, you can use WindowsConfigurationSet
# for a Windows VM instead
linux_config = LinuxConfigurationSet('myhostname', 'myuser', 'mypassword', True)

os_hd = OSVirtualHardDisk(image_name, media_link)

sms.create_virtual_machine_deployment(service_name=name,
    deployment_name=name, deployment_slot='production', label=name,
    role_name=name, system_config=linux_config, os_virtual_hard_disk=os_hd, role_size='Small')
```

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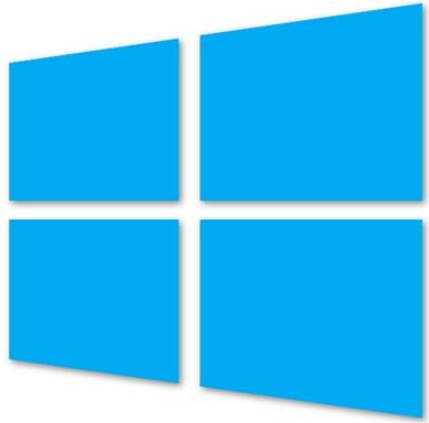


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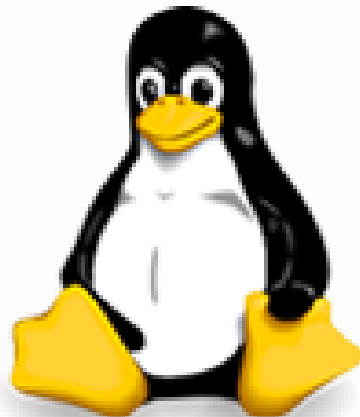
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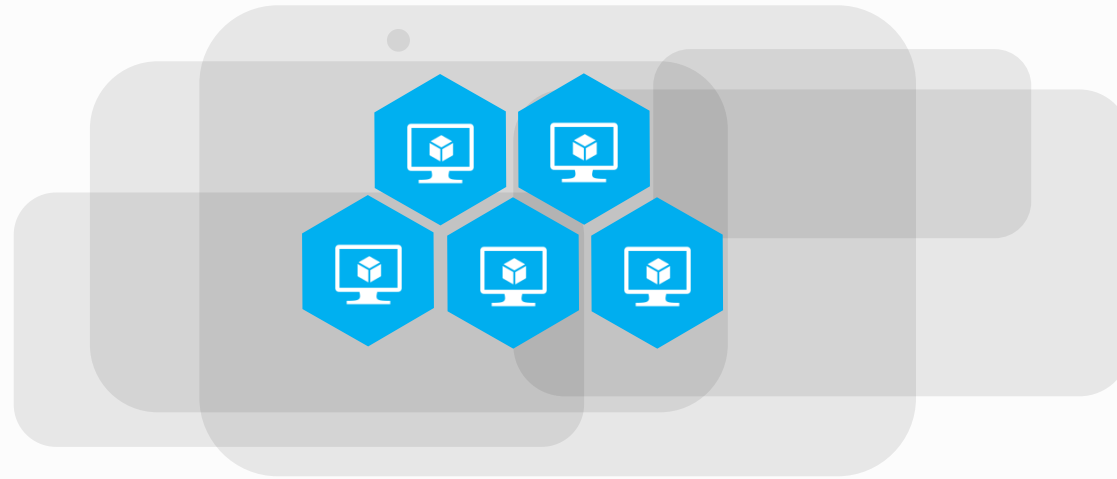


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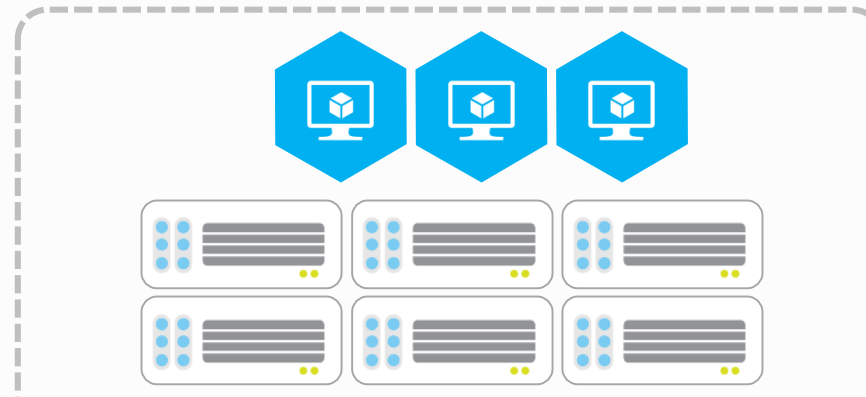
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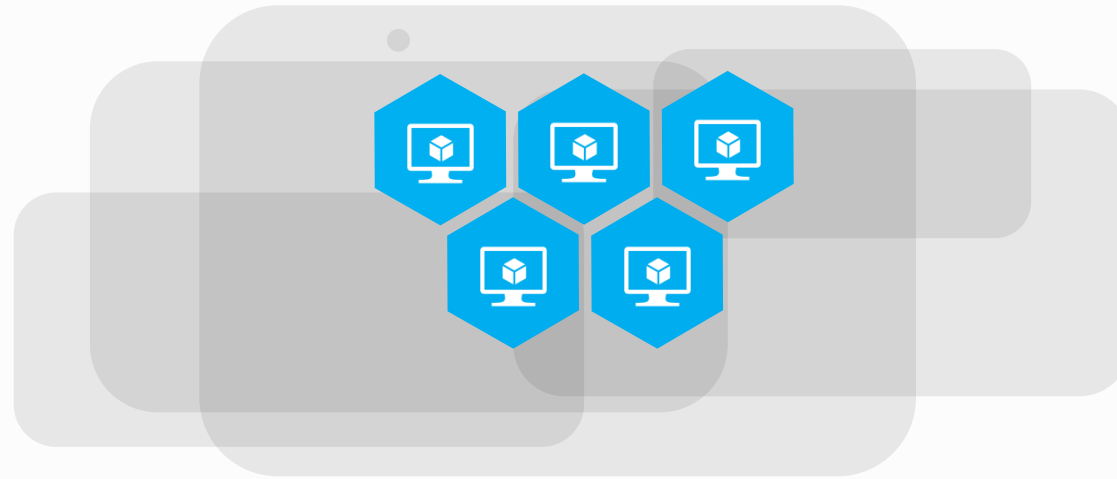
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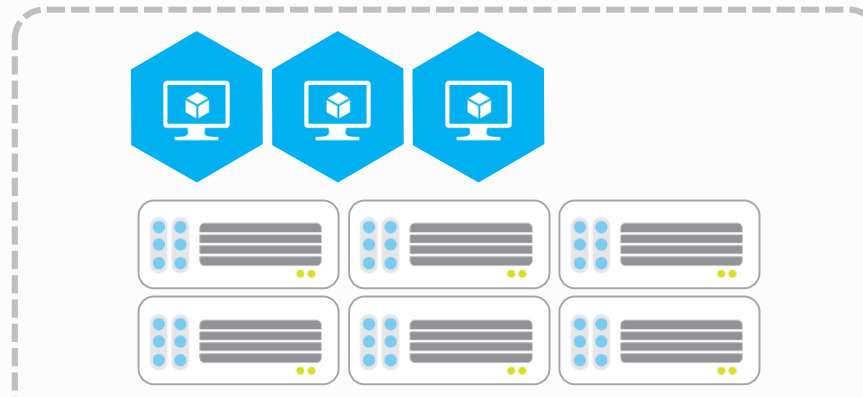
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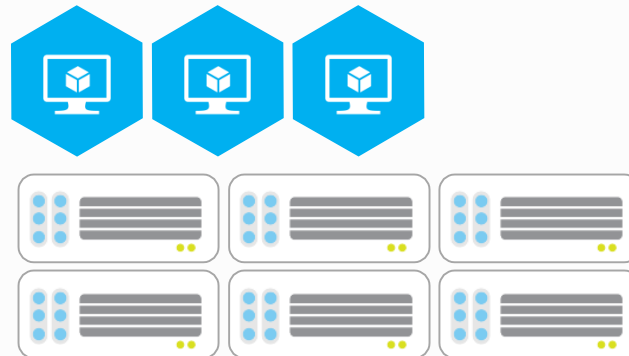
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Other Service Providers



Your Data Center



VM with persistent drive



Windows Azure Storage

VM with persistent drive



Windows Azure Storage

VM with persistent drive



Windows Azure Storage



Cloud services

Build infinitely scalable apps and services

Support rich multi-tier architectures

Automated application management

Cloud services: Development



Demo

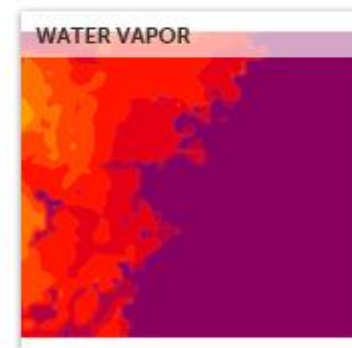
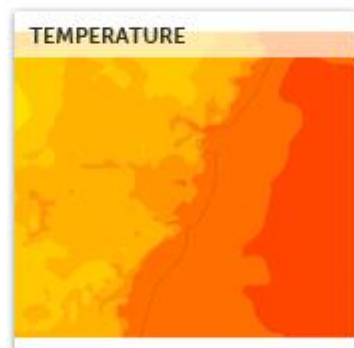
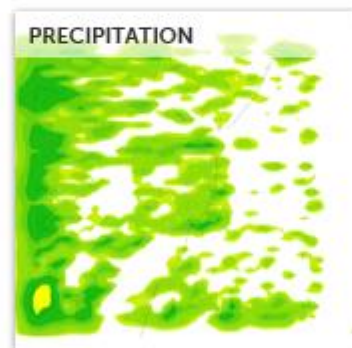
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TIMELINE

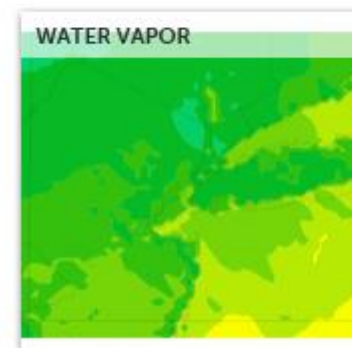
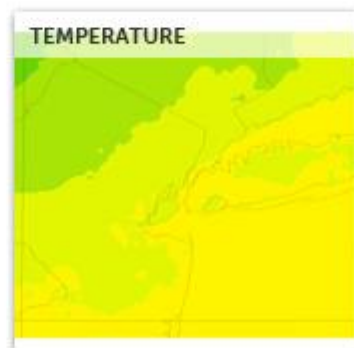
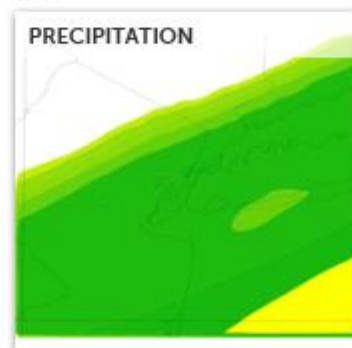
Sydney Harbour

4/5/2013 12:00:00 AM



ny

4/4/2013 12:00:00 PM



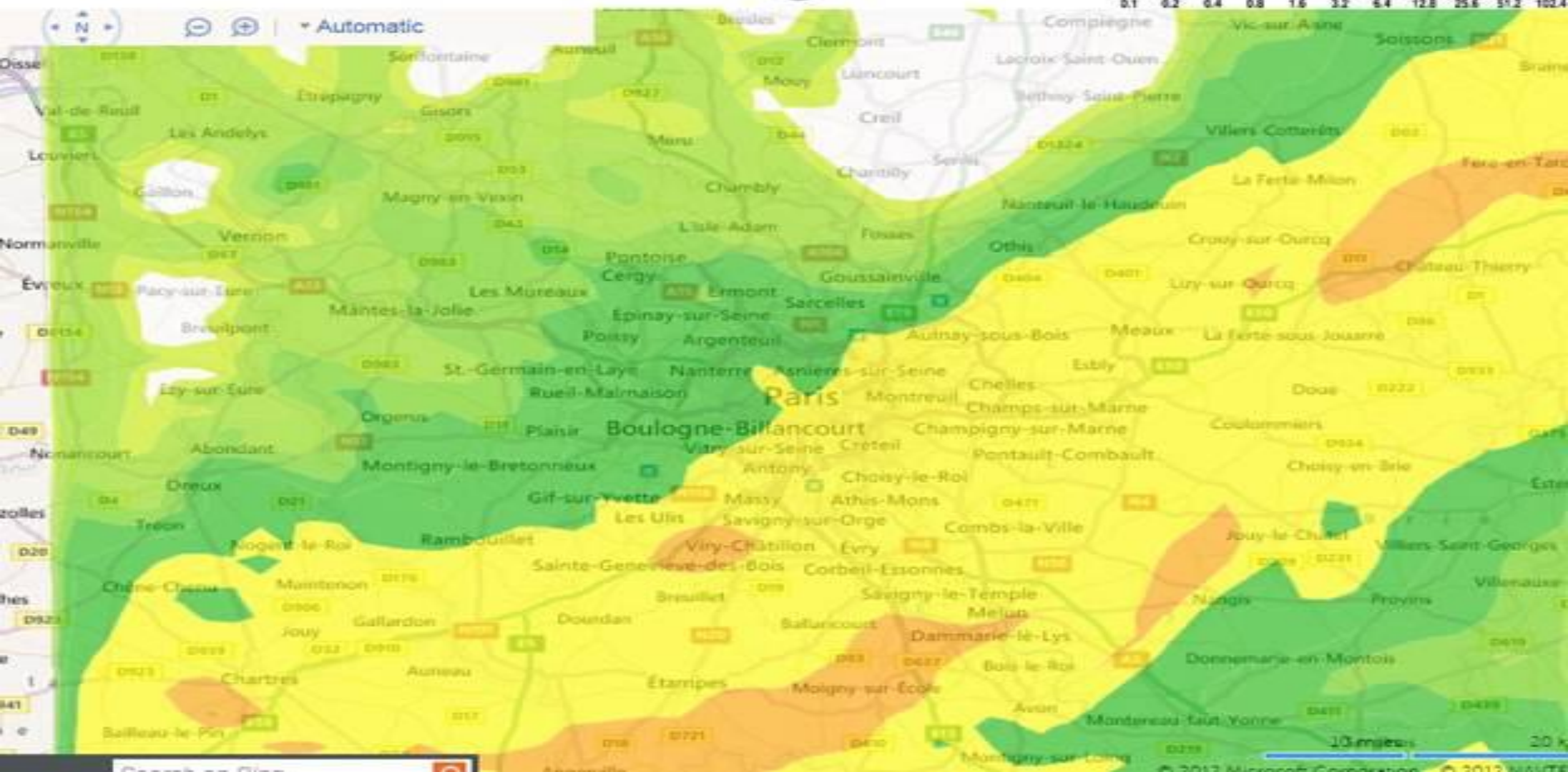
START
6/5/2012 6:00:00 PM

SHOWING

+30 HOURS

FRAME

16 / 37



roles



SAVE



DISCARD



Create container

```
from azure.storage import BlobService  
blob_service = BlobService(account_name, account_key)  
blob_service.create_container('taskcontainer')
```

Upload

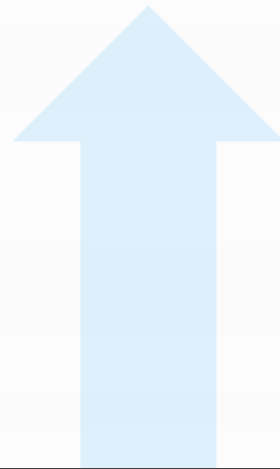
```
from azure.storage import BlobService  
blob_service = BlobService(account_name, account_key)  
blob_service.put_blob('taskcontainer', 'task1',  
file('task1-upload.txt').read(), 'BlockBlob')
```

#Download

```
from azure.storage import BlobService  
blob_service = BlobService(account_name, account_key)  
blob = blob_service.get_blob('taskcontainer', 'task1')
```



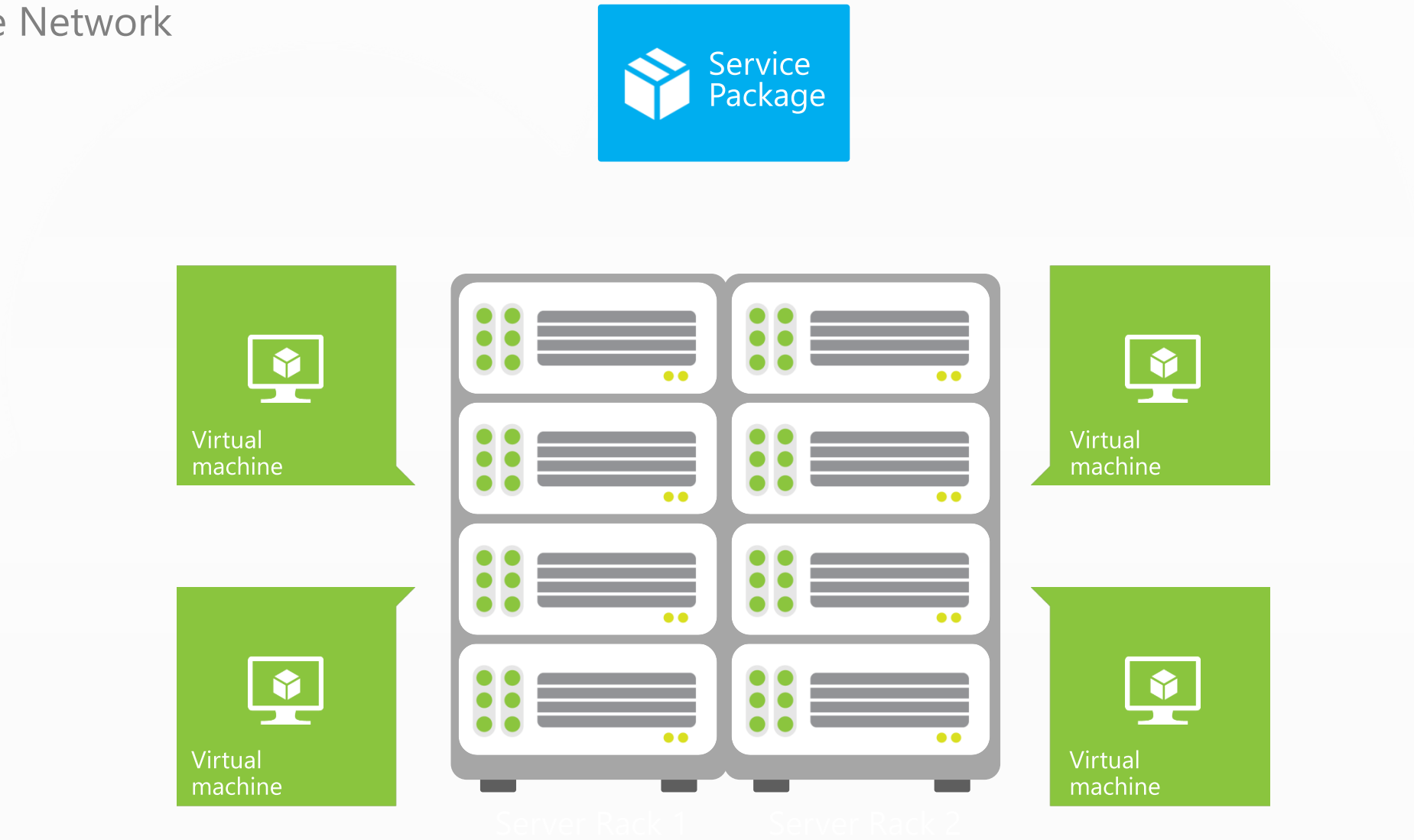
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Provision Role Instances

Deploy App Code

Configure Network



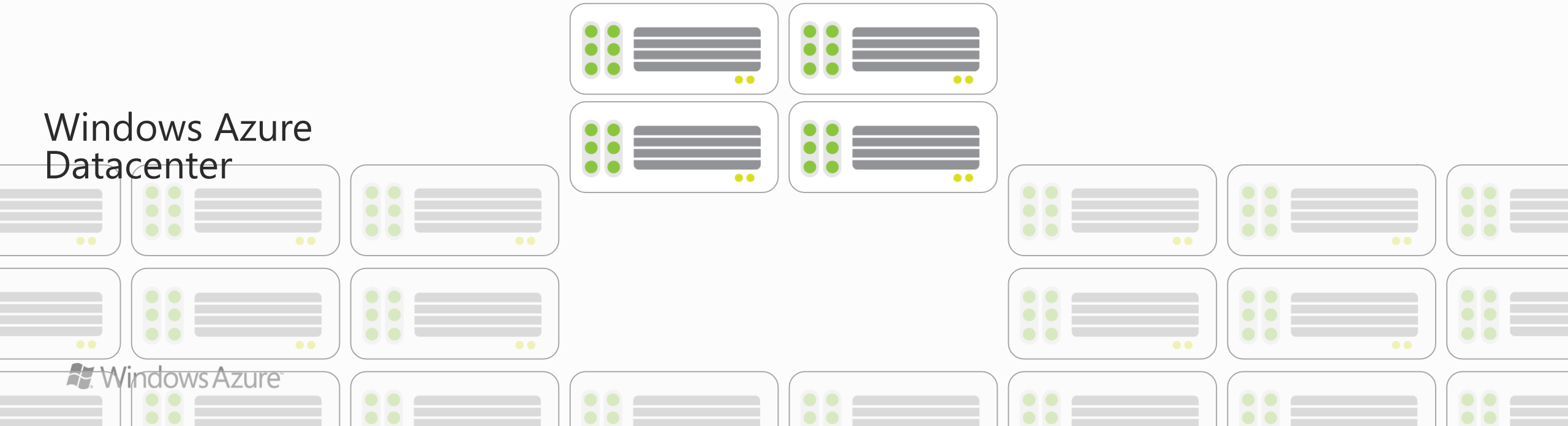
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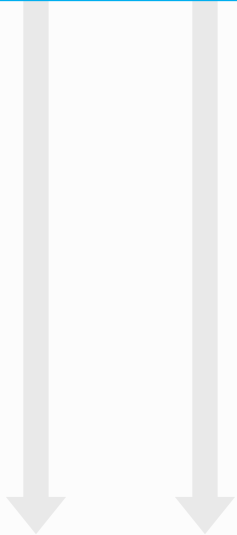
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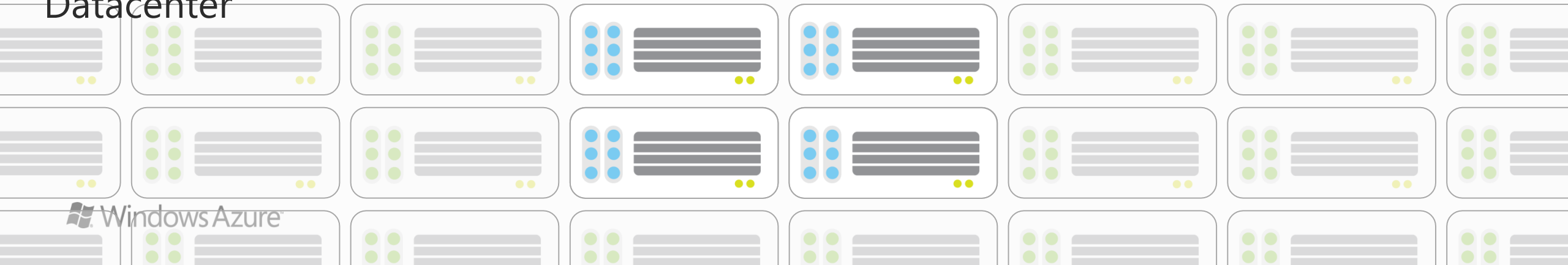
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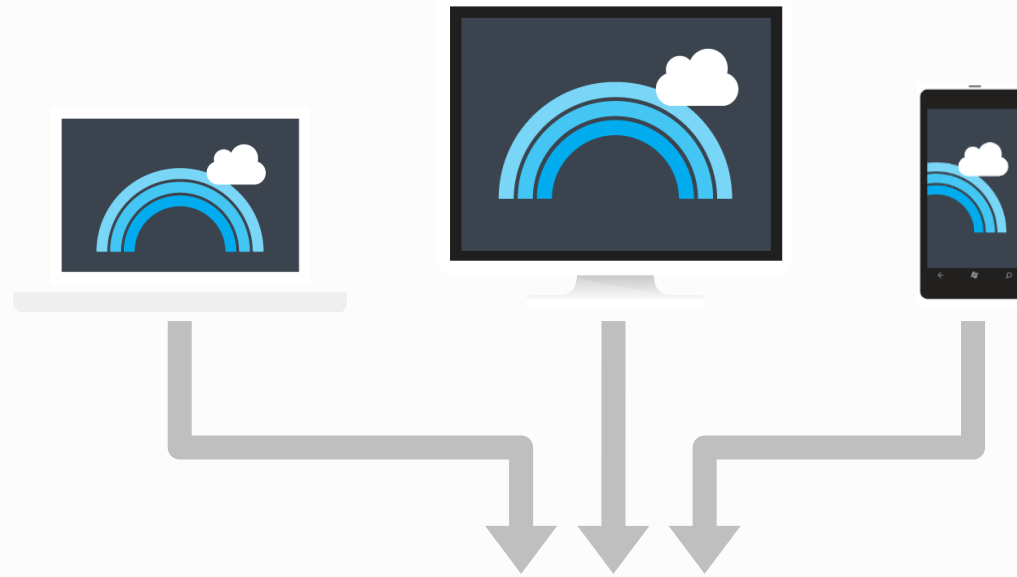
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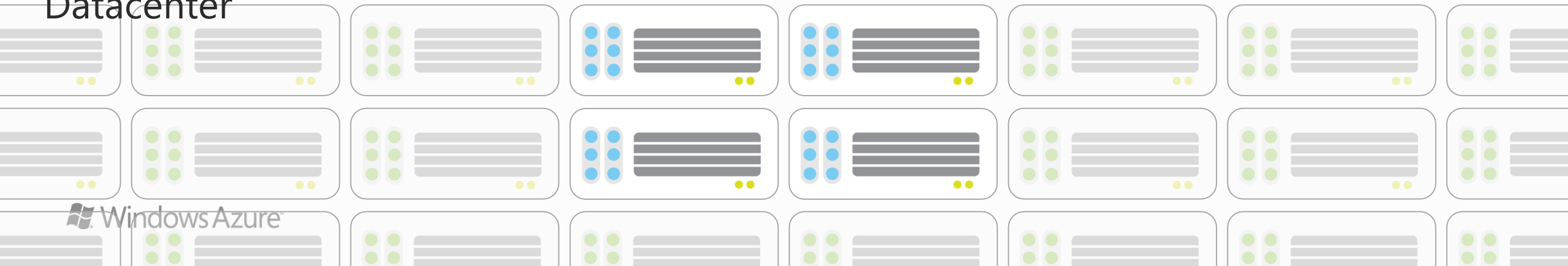
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Configure Network



Network Load Balancer

← Network load-balancer configured for traffic

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Big data



Database



Storage



Traffic

Application building blocks



Caching



Messaging



Identity



Media



CDN



Networking

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Windows Azure Scenarios

Ideal for Applications Needing:

Scalability

Availability

Fault Tolerance

Common Application Uses:

Web Sites

Compute Intensive apps

Device Applications

Web APIs

Social Games

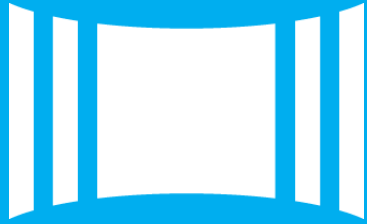


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Windows Azure



Flexible



Open



Solid

Summary

Windows Azure provides a comprehensive set of services that you can selectively compose to build your cloud apps

Global Data Center Footprint

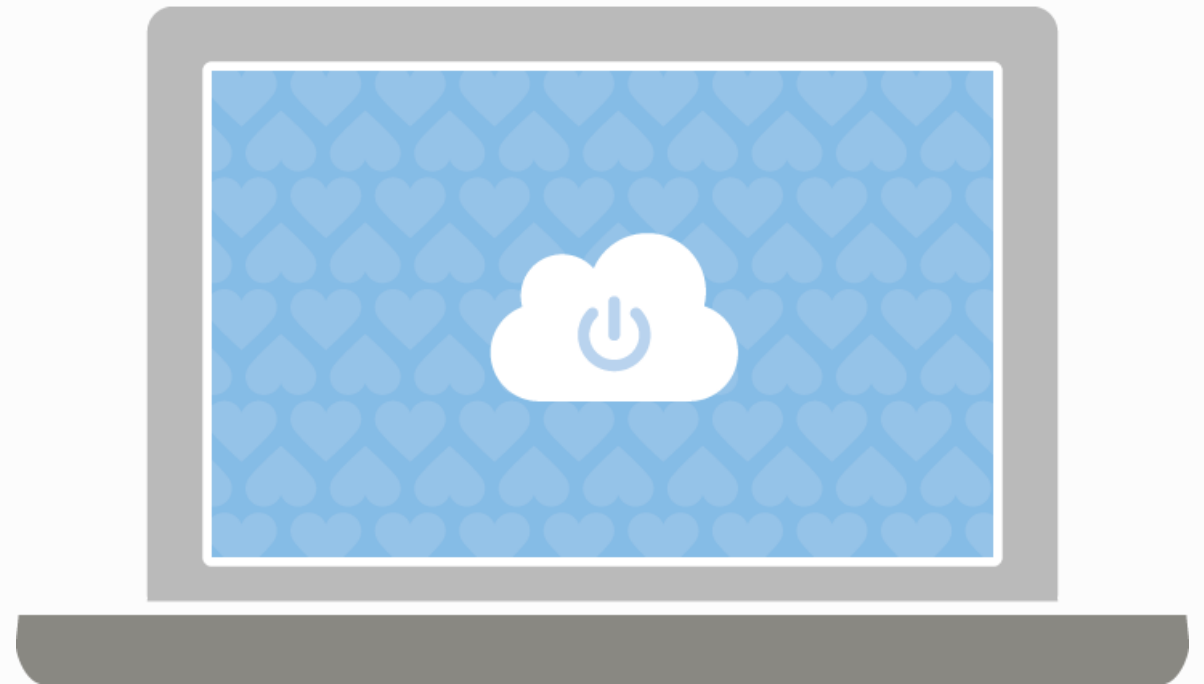
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