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COURSE OUTLINE

MODULE 07

Introduction to Azure IaaS Compute Solutions

Implementing Azure Batch Service and Disk Encryption

Designing and Developing Applications That Use Containers

Implementing Azure App Service Web Apps and Mobile Apps

Implementing Azure App Service API Apps and Azure Functions

Developing Solutions That Use Azure Table Storage and Cosmos DB

Developing Solutions That Use Relational Database and Azure Blob Storage

Implementing Authentication and Access Control In Azure

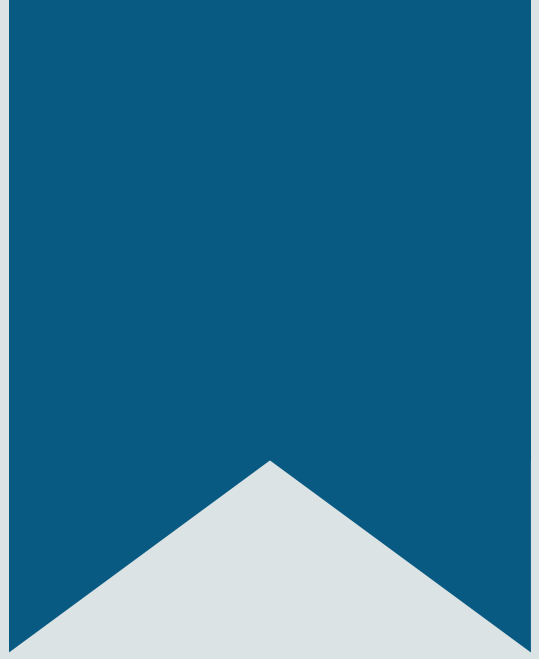
Implementing Secure Data Solutions and Integrate Caching & CDN

Instrument Monitoring, Logging and Scalability Of Apps & Services

Connecting to and Consuming Azure and Third-party Services

Developing Event-based and Message-based Solutions in Azure





Module 7 – Developing Solutions That Use Relational Database and Azure Blob Storage

Topics

- Azure SQL Database Service
- Database Purchasing Models
- Azure Elastic Pools
- CRUD operations on Database
- Azure Blob Storage
- Types and Uses of Blob Storage
- Storage Properties and Metadata
- Copy Blobs Using AzCopy
- Blob Leasing in Azure
- Implement Hot, Cool, and Archive Storage

Objectives

After completing this module, you should be able to:

- Know how the Azure SQL Database service works
- Configure elastic pools for Azure SQL Database
- Perform database operations by using code
- Understand when and why to use Azure Blob storage
- Know how to set and retrieve Blob storage properties and metadata
- Replicate and copy Blobs
- Implement Blob Leasing
- Implement Hot, Cool, and Archive Storage

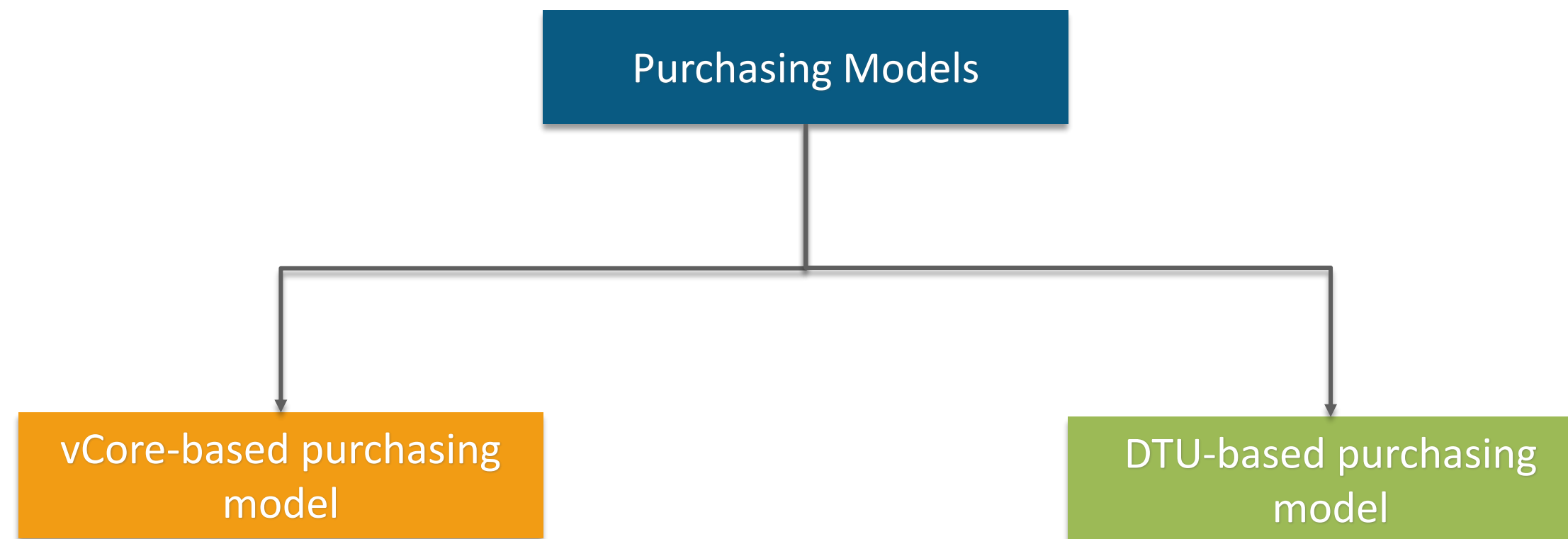




Azure SQL Database Service

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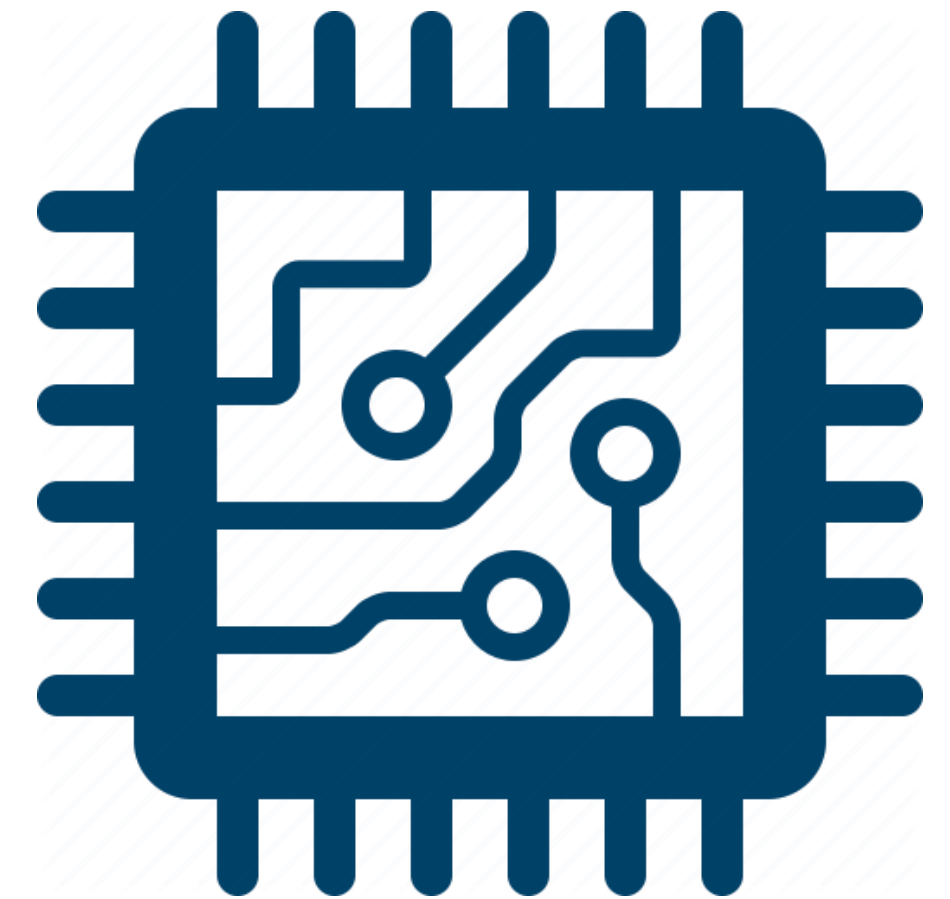




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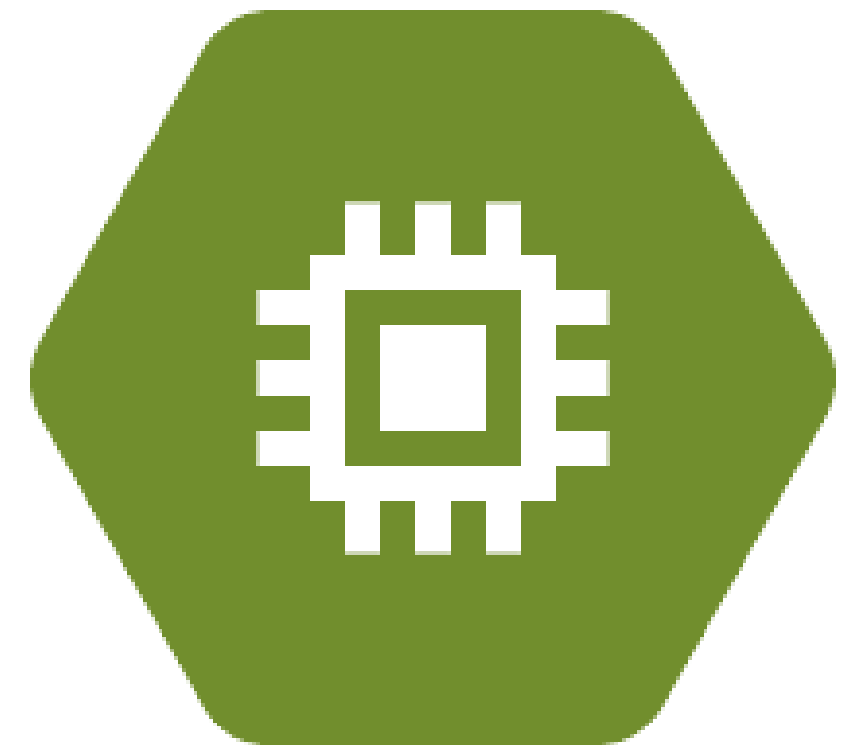
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DTU Based Purchasing Model

Understanding Database Transaction Units (DTUs)

For a single Azure SQL database at a specific compute size within a service tier, **Microsoft guarantees a certain level of resources for that database** providing a predictable level of performance.

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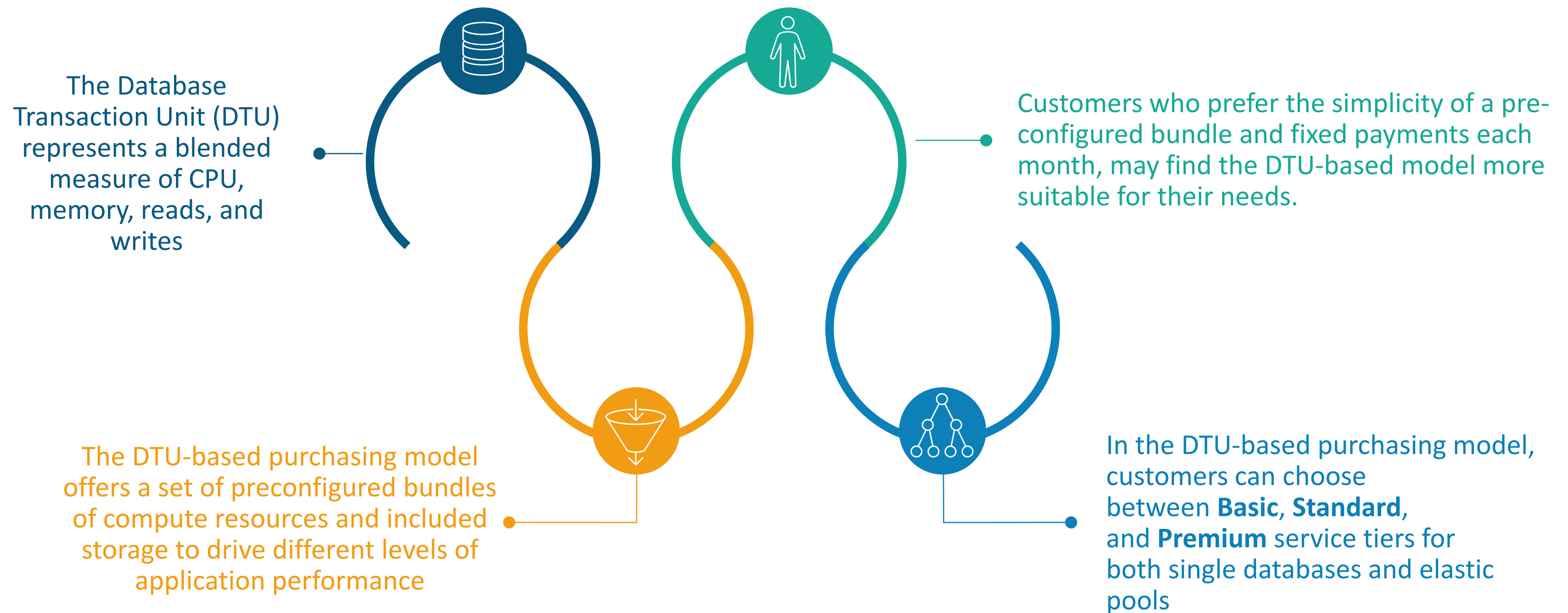
The amount of resources is calculated as a number of **Database Transaction Units or DTUs** and is a bundled measure of compute, storage, and IO resources.

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When your workload exceeds the amount of any of these resources, your throughput is throttled - resulting in slower performance and timeouts but **the resources used by your workload do not impact the resources available to other SQL databases** in the Azure cloud.

DTU Based Purchasing Model



Azure SQL Database: Database As A Service

- Relational Database As A Service
- Uses Microsoft SQL Server DB Engine
- You can create **three** types of Azure SQL database as:



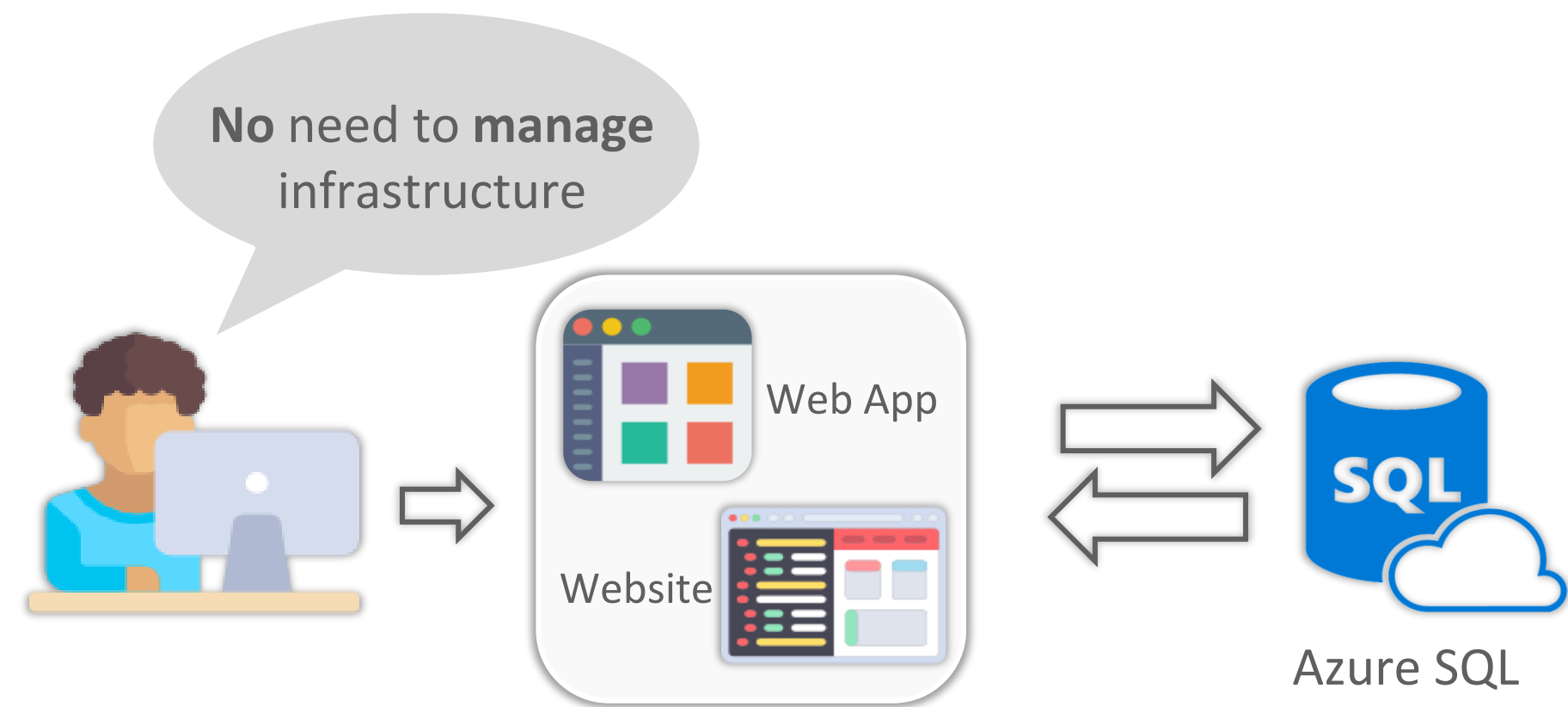
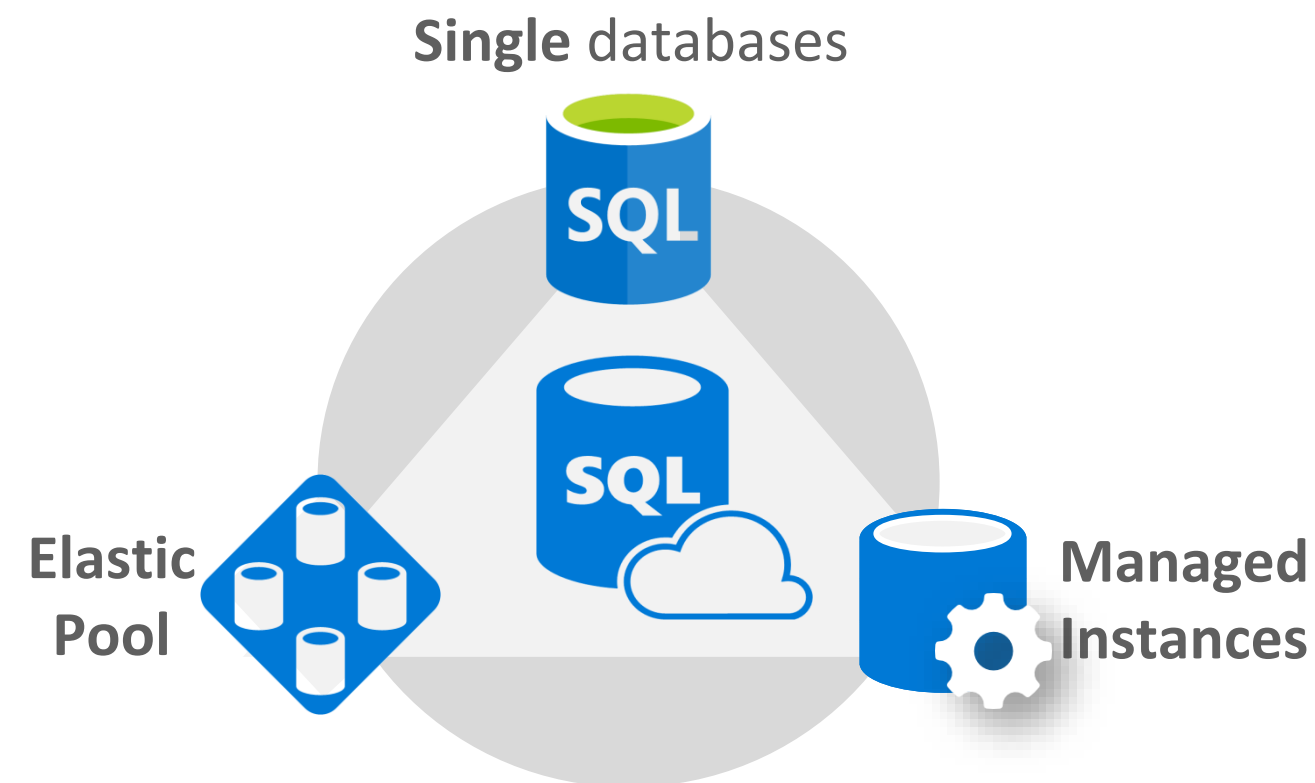
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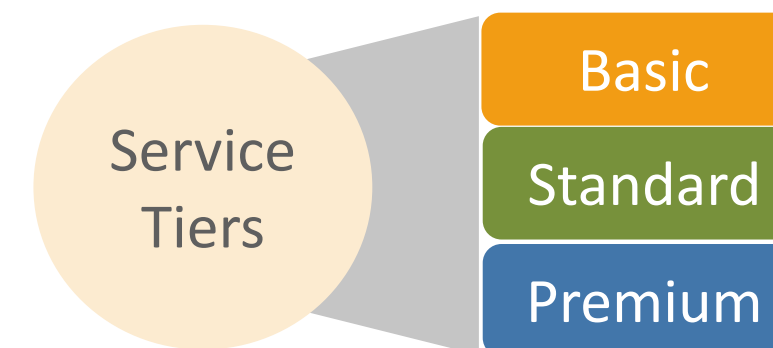
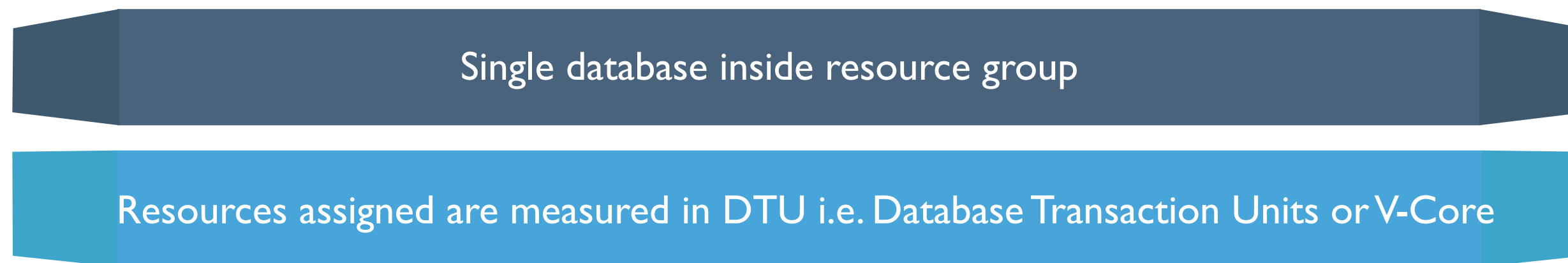
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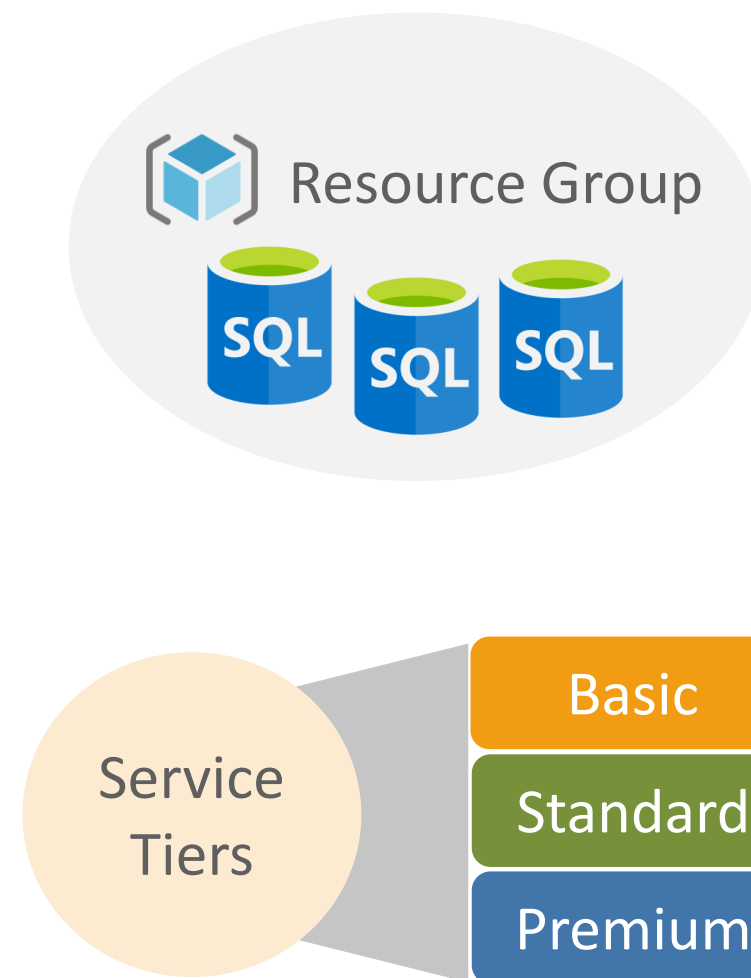
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Azure Single Database: Pricing Tiers



Azure Elastic Pool



Database inside pool of databases on a resource group

Defines maximum resource limit per group of databases

All databases inside an elastic pool shares resources assigned to the pool

Prefer this in case of unpredictable database demand

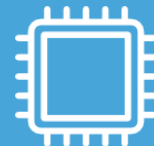


Demo 1 – Configure Elastic Pool on Portal

Azure Managed Instances



Similar to On-premise SQL Server



Uses V-Core model

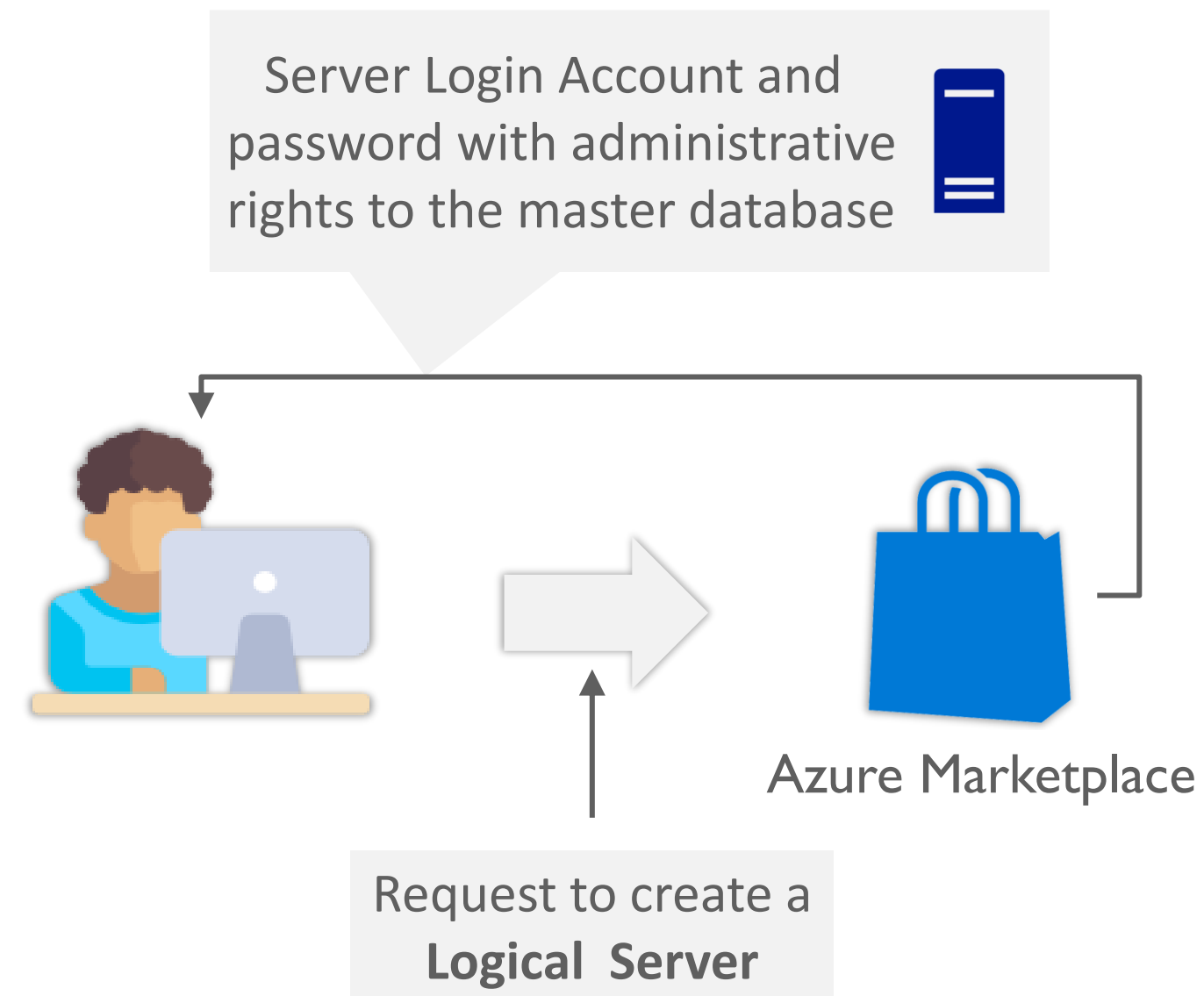
Prefer in case of migrating existing application to azure



General Purpose Service Tier

Azure SQL Database – Logical Server

You need to use logical server prior to create Single database or Elastic Pool



Why Azure SQL Database?



Fully Managed

- **Platform As A Service** Database
- Each database is **isolated** and **portable**
- Managed instances are isolated and guaranteed resources



Scalability

- **Dynamically** add more resources to the service
- Easily Scale Up, Scale Out and Shard Database
- Scales with **minimum** downtime
- **Auto scale** and **Dynamic Scalability**



Price/ Performance Tier

- DTU based model – **Preconfigured** and **Simple** model
- V-Core model is preferred for **flexibility, transparency** and control



Advanced Security

- Data Protection
- Control Access
- Proactive Monitoring

Why Azure SQL Database? (Cont.)



Dev/Test Environment

- Replication of live production environment to the development/test environment using a **database copy**



Backup And Recovery

- Regular automatic database backup
- Backup can be recovered
- **Backup to URL**



Business Continuity

- Azur SQL Database provides an SLA of up to 99.99%
- Maintains several copies of the data
- It allows you to **restore** Geo Redundant copies of data which provides business continuity



Advance Analytics

- Users reference data from various data sources
- After performing transformation activities finally the data gets loaded onto **Azure Data Warehouse** for BI



Demo 2 – Perform CRUD operation on Azure SQL Table Using ASP.NET MVC

Azure Blob Storage

What is Blob Storage?



A service stores **unstructured data** in the cloud as objects/blobs



Blob storage is also referred to as **object storage**

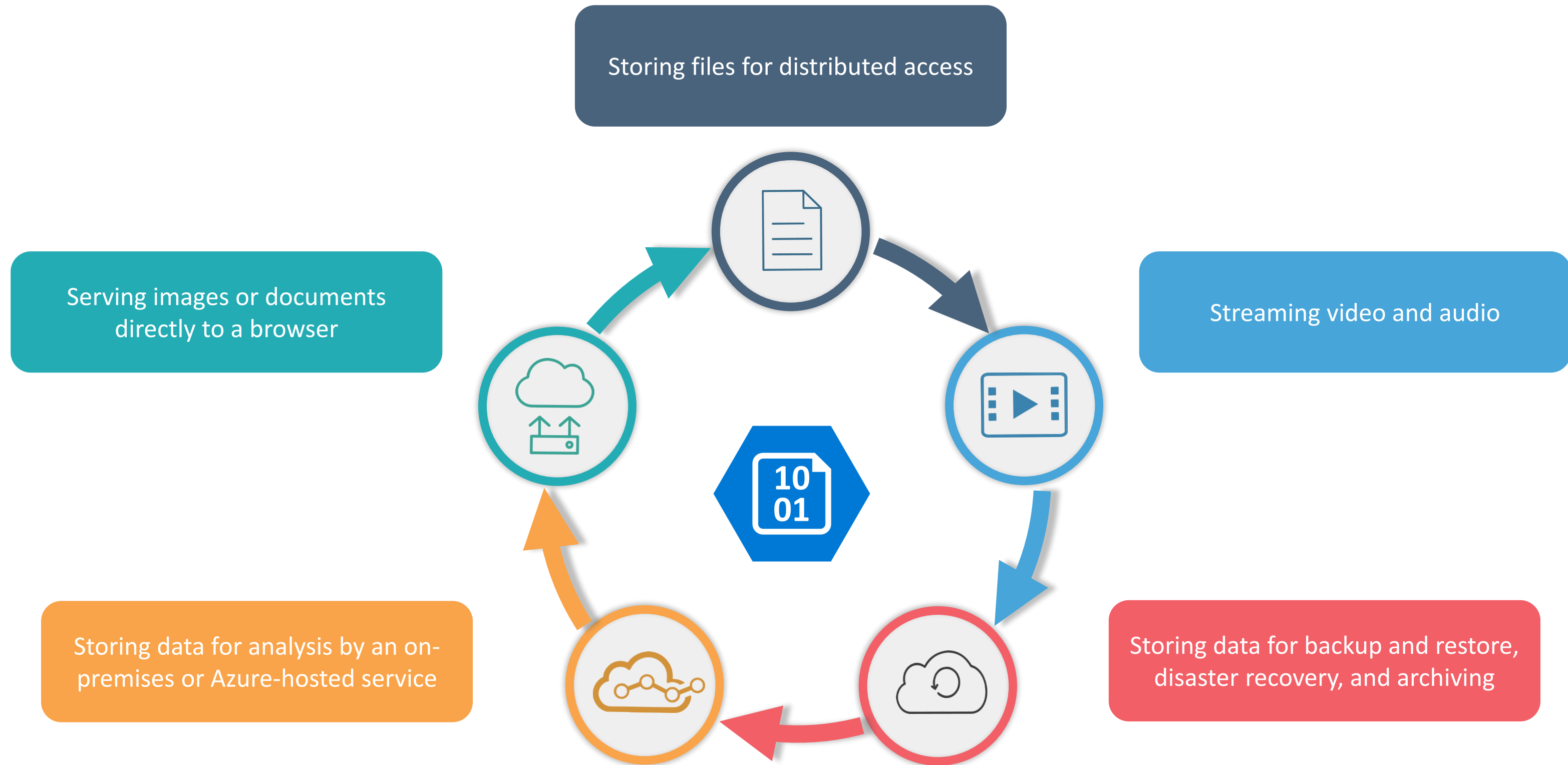


Blob storage can store any **type of text or binary data**, such as a document, media file, or application installer, that can be accessed from anywhere in the world via HTTP or HTTPS



You can use Blob storage to expose data **publicly** to the world, or to store application data **privately**

Common Uses of Blob Storage

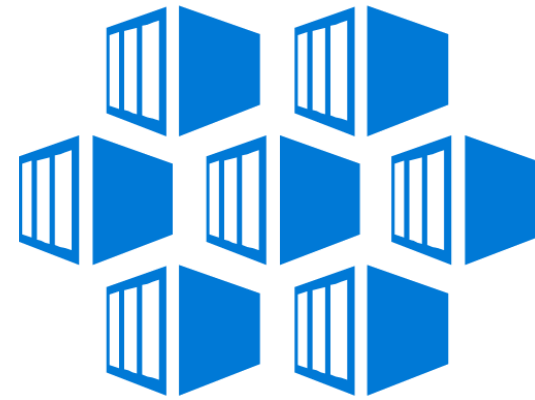


Blob Storage Resources



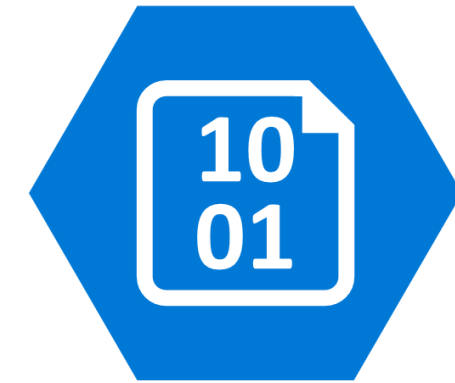
Storage Account

- All access to Azure Storage is done through a storage account
- The storage account can be a **General-purpose storage account** or a **Blob storage account** which is specialized for storing objects/blobs



Container

- A container provides a grouping of a set of blobs
- All blobs must be in a container
- An account can contain an unlimited number of containers
- A container can store an unlimited number of blobs

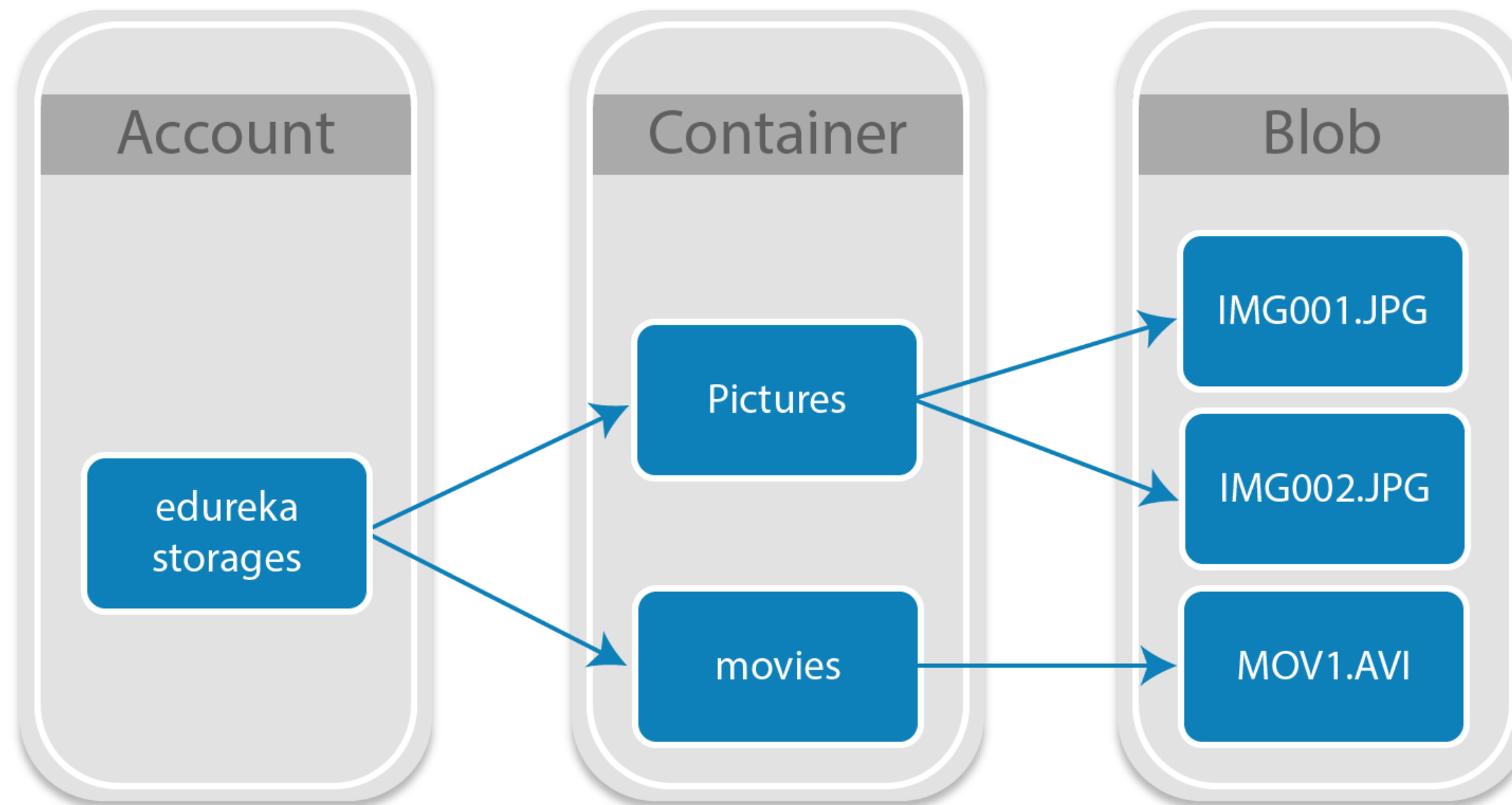


Blob

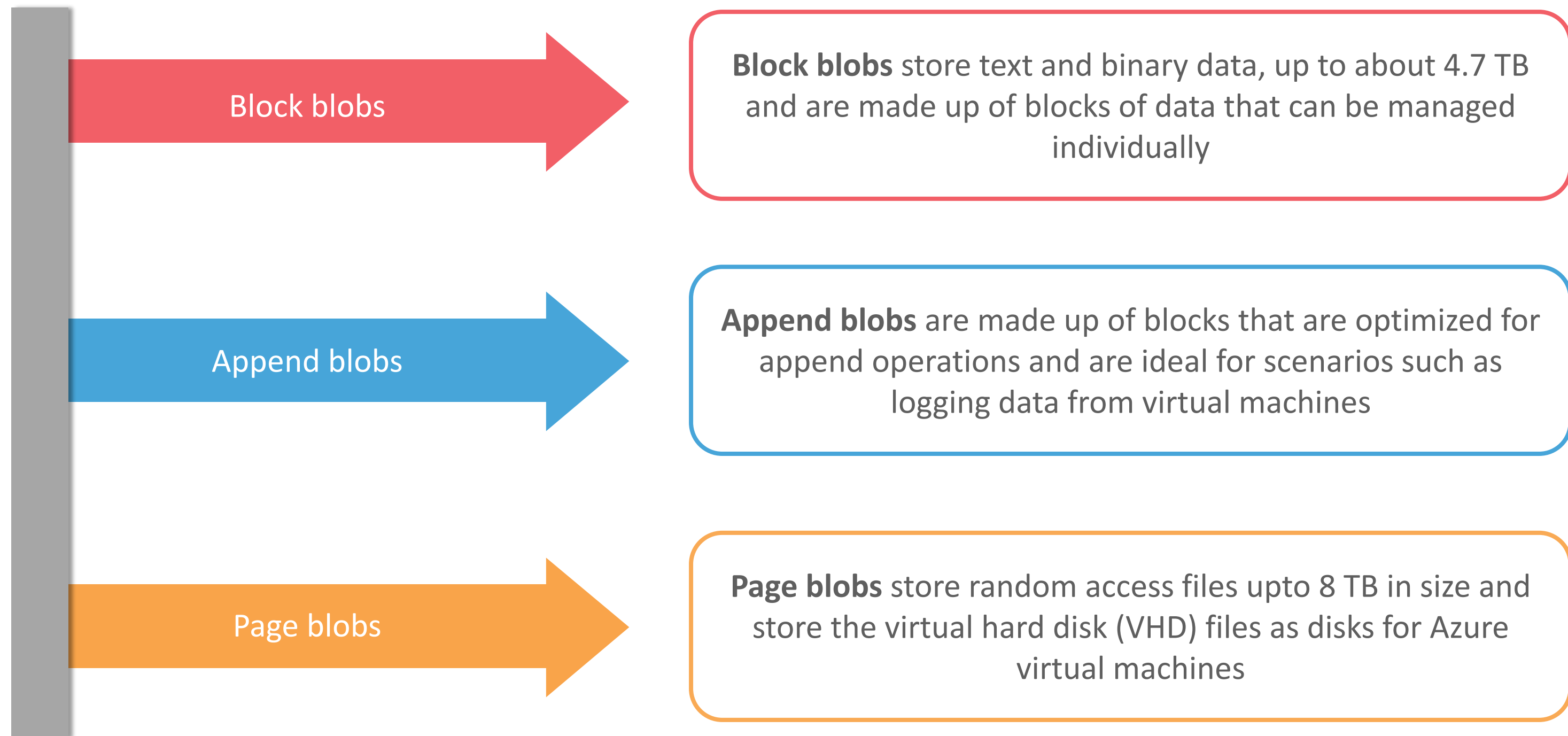
- A file of any type and size
- Can be of three types: block blobs, page blobs, and append blobs

Blob Storage Resources

Blob storage resources have the following relationship:



Types of Blob Storage



Set and Retrieve Properties and Metadata of Storage

Objects in Azure Storage support **System Properties** and **User-defined Metadata**, in addition to the data they contain

System Properties

- System properties exist on each storage resource, some of them can be **read** or **set**, while others are **read-only**
- Under the covers, some system properties correspond to certain standard HTTP headers
- Azure Storage client libraries maintain these properties for you

User-defined Metadata

- User-defined metadata consists of one or more **name-value pairs** that you specify for an Azure Storage resource
- You can use metadata to **store additional values** with a resource
- Metadata values are for your **own** purposes only, and **do not** affect how the resource behaves

NOTE:

- Retrieving property and metadata values for a storage resource is a **two-step** process
- Before you can read these values, you must explicitly fetch them by calling the ***FetchAttributes*** or ***FetchAttributesAsync*** method

Use .NET to Create and Manage Blob in Object Storage

In the upcoming demo, you learn how to use the Azure Storage client library for .NET to:

1. Create a Container and Set Permissions
2. Upload Blobs to the Container
3. List the Blobs in a Container
4. Download Blobs
5. Set and Retrieve Properties and Metadata

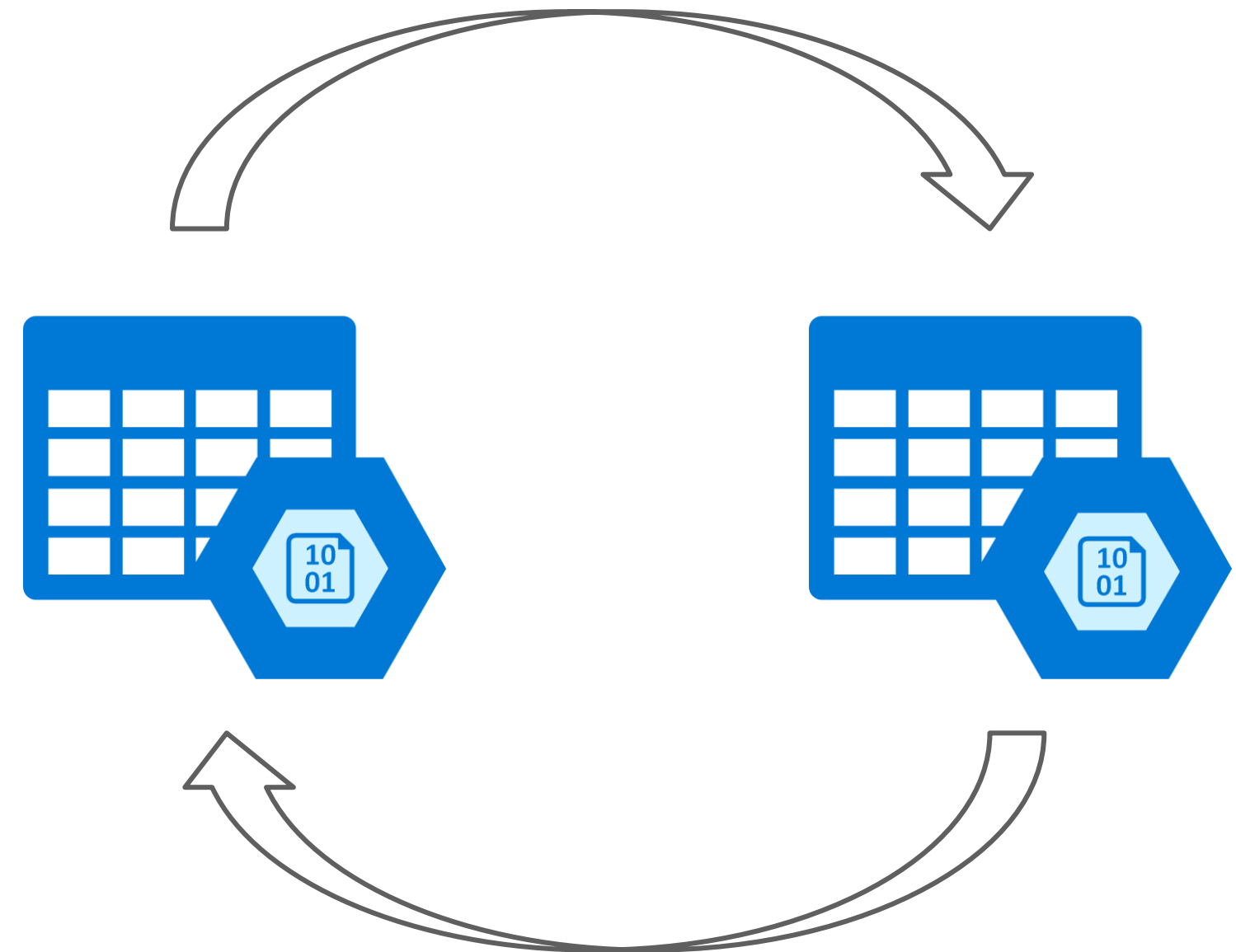



Demo 3 – Use .NET to Create and Manage Blob in Object Storage

Copy Blobs Using AzCopy

Move Items in Blob Storage Between Storage Accounts

- **AzCopy** is a **command-line utility** that you can use to copy blobs or files *to or from* a storage account
- **AzCopy V10** is the currently supported version of AzCopy
- Download AzCopy:
 - [Windows](#) (zip)
 - [Linux](#) (tar)
 - [MacOS](#) (zip)
- The following demo shows you how to:
 1. Download **AzCopy**
 2. Connect to your storage account
 3. Transfer files





Demo 4 – Move Items in Blob Storage Between Storage Accounts Using AzCopy

Understanding Blob Leasing

Blob Leasing in Azure Storage

The **Lease Blob** operation establishes and manages a *lock* on a blob for **write and delete** operations

The lock duration can be **15 to 60** seconds or it can be **Infinite**

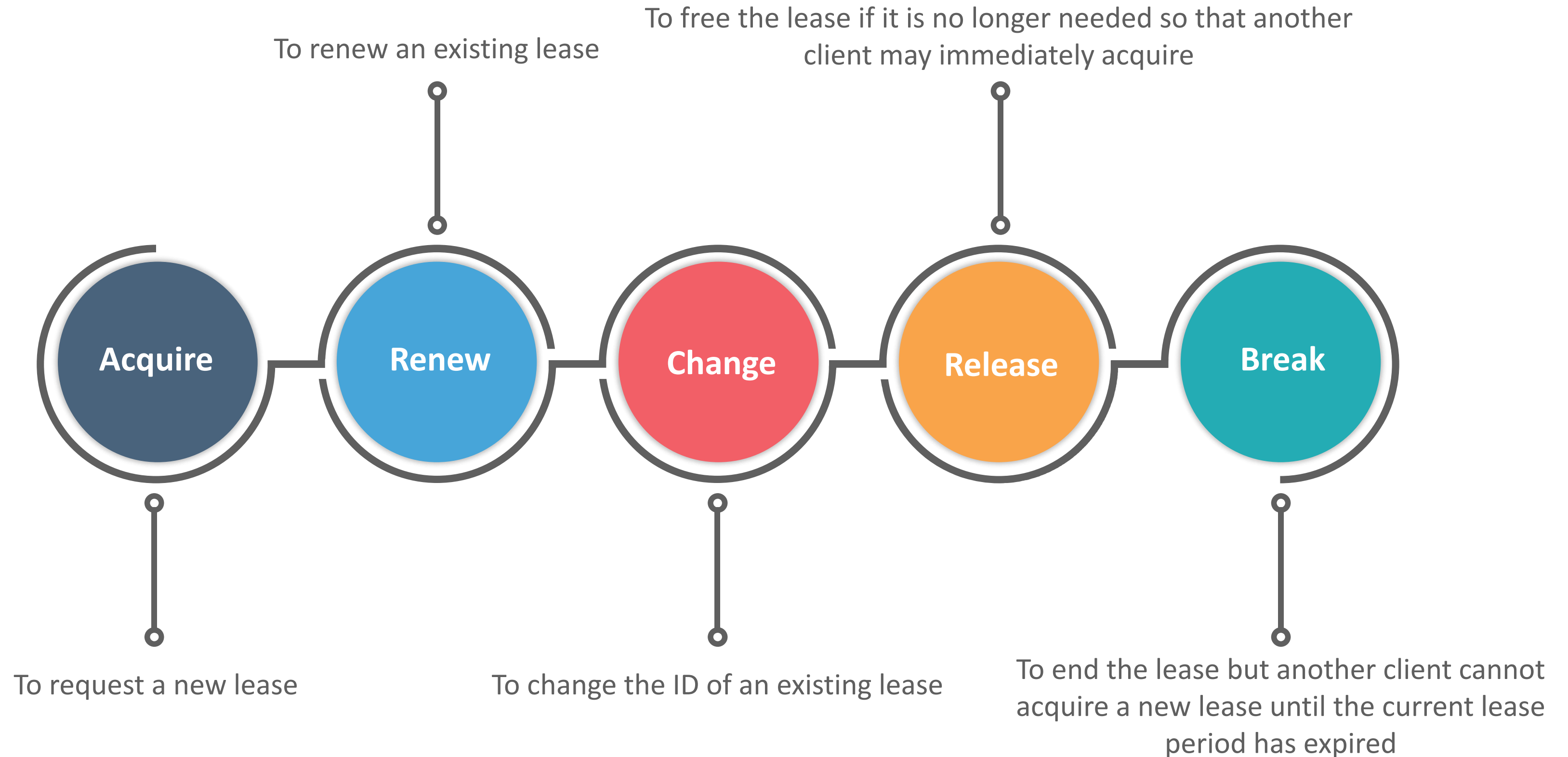
Once having the lease, you can *update* the Blob or *delete* the Blob **without** worrying about another process changing it underneath you

When a Blob is leased, other processes *can still read* it but any attempt to update it will *fail*

You can also update Blobs without taking a lease first, but you do run the chance of another process also attempting to modify it at the same time



Lease Blob – Operation Modes





Demo 5 – Implement Blob Leasing on Portal



Implement Hot, Cool, and Archive Storage

Understand Storage Access Tiers

As of today, data stored in cloud is growing and managing the cost for the storage services becomes very important. To manage cost, it is important to organize data based on the frequency of access and data retention period.

Below are some of the storage tiers :

☐ Hot

This storage tier is mainly used for data stored in Storage account that is accessed Frequently.

☐ Cool

This storage tier is mainly used for data stored in Storage account that is infrequently accessed and stored for at least 30 days.

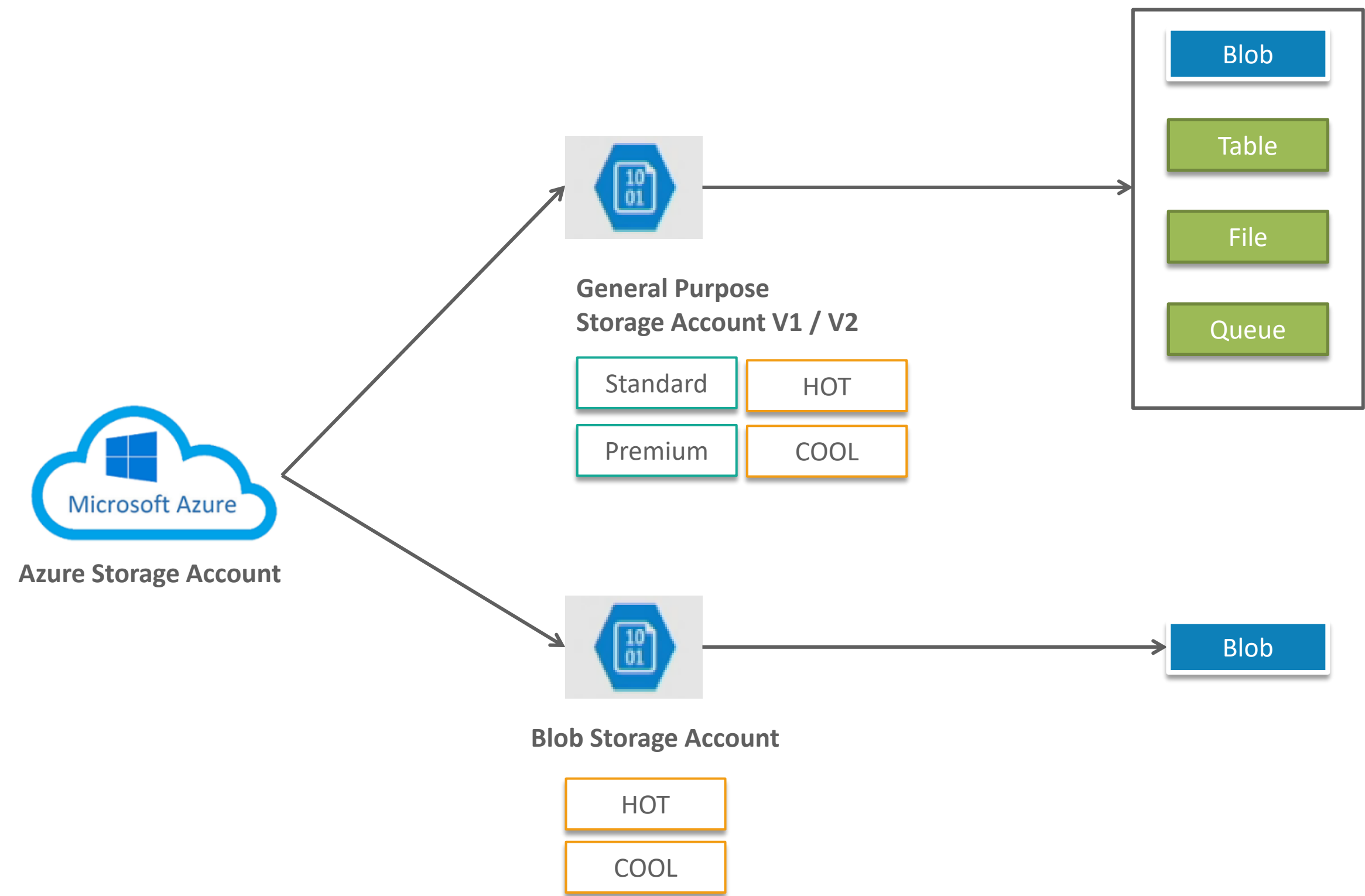
☐ Archive

This storage tier is mainly used for data stored in Storage account that is rarely accessed and stored for at least 180 days and amounts for some level of latency.



Storage Access Tiers

Understand Storage Access Tiers (Cont.)



Hot Vs. Cool Vs. Archive Storage

Hot Storage	Cool Storage	Archive Storage
Data readily accessible	Data is not frequently accessed	Hardly accessed data
Any time accessibility	30 days storage period (More cost)	180 days storage period (More cost)
High storage cost	Lower storage cost	Lower storage cost
Lower access cost	Higher access cost	Higher access cost
Default Tier	Non-default Tier	Non-default Tier

Access Tier Support

☐ Storage V2 - Hot & Cool Tier

Performance ⓘ

☒ Standard ☐ Premium

Account kind ⓘ

StorageV2 (general purpose v2) ▼

Replication ⓘ

Locally-redundant storage (LRS) ▼

Access tier (default) ⓘ

☐ Cool ☒ Hot

Note - Premium Performance support is available for Hot, Cool or Archive Tier in V1/V2 Storage Account

☐ Blob Storage - Hot & Cool Tier

Performance ⓘ

☒ Standard ☐ Premium

Account kind ⓘ

BlobStorage ▼

Replication ⓘ

Locally-redundant storage (LRS) ▼

ⓘ Accounts with the selected kind, replication and performance type only support block and append blobs. Page blobs, file shares, tables, and queues will not be available.

Access tier (default) ⓘ

☐ Cool ☒ Hot

Note - Premium Performance doesn't support Hot, Cool or Archive Tier in Blob Storage Account

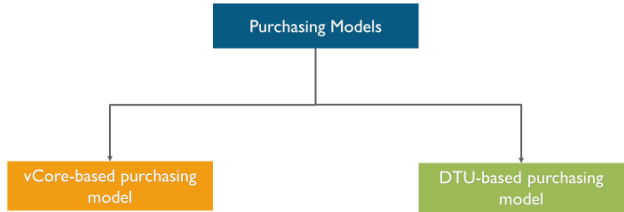


Demo 6 – Implement Hot, Cool, and Archive Storage

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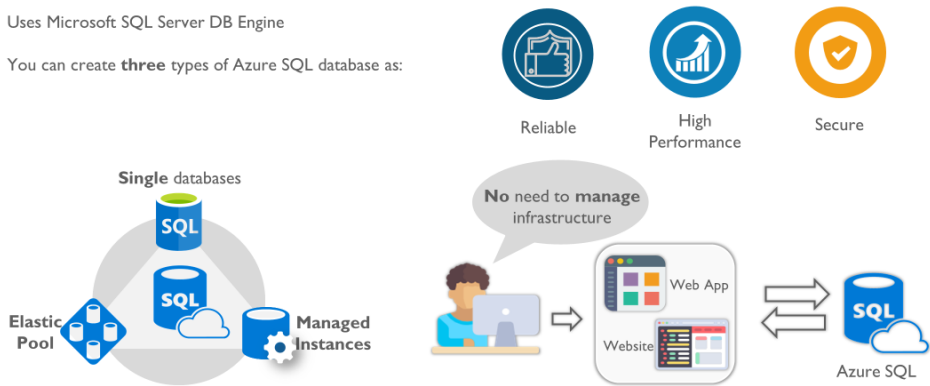


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Azure SQL Database : Database As A Service

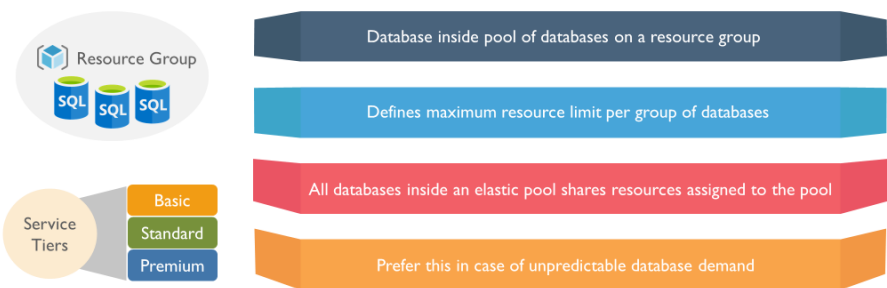
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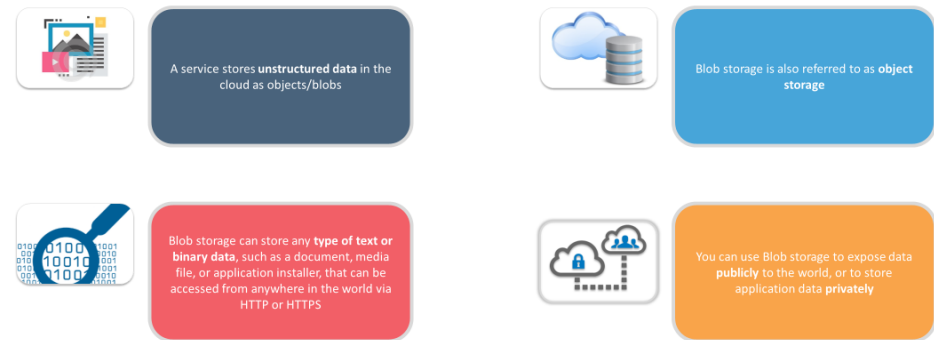
Azure Elastic Pool



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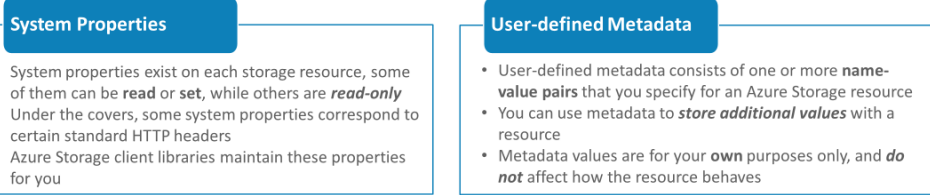


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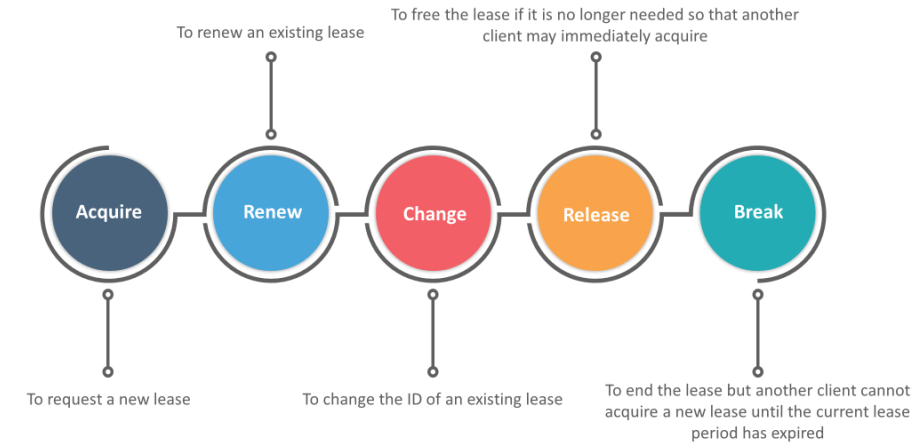


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