

Running Microservices in Azure Kubernetes Service

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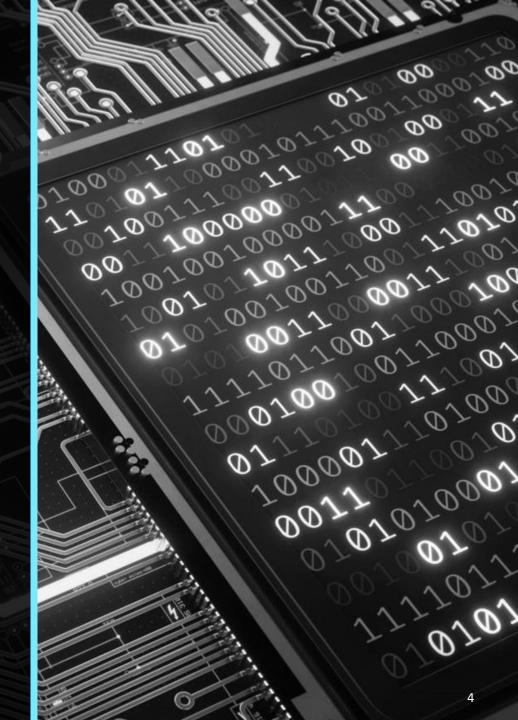
Technology Evolution

Development Process Application Architecture Deployment Model Infrastructure **Microservices Containers** Cloud **DevOps** Late 2000's **Virtual Machines Agile N-Tier** Hosted 1990's and early 2000s **Monolithic Physical Servers** Waterfall **Data Center**

What are microservices?

The microservice architectural style is an approach to developing a single application as a suite of small services, each running in its own process and communicating with lightweight mechanisms, often an HTTP resource API. These services are built around business capabilities and independently deployable by fully automated deployment machinery. There is a bare minimum of centralized management of these services, which may be written in different programming languages and use different data storage technologies.

—James Lewis & Martin Fowler



What are microservices?

Microservices are –

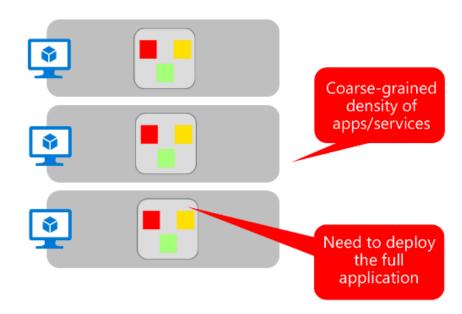
- 1. Suite of small services, each running in its own process
- 2. Built around business capabilities
- 3. Are independently deployable
- 4. May be written in different programming languages
- 5. Use different data storage technologies

Monolithic deployment approach

 A traditional application has most of its functionality within a few processes that are componentized with layers and libraries.

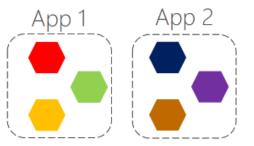


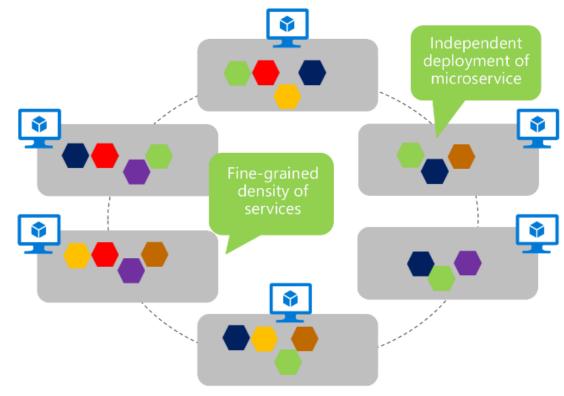
 Scales by cloning the app on multiple servers/VMs



Microservices application approach

- A microservice application segregates functionality into separate smaller services.
- Scales out by deploying each service independently with multiple instances across servers/VMs





Maintainability vs Changeability (Replaceability)

Defining Service Boundaries

General Rule - Service should do "one thing"

Design around business capabilities, not horizontal layers such as data access or messaging

Services should support loose coupling and high functional cohesion

- Microservices are loosely coupled if you can change one service without requiring other services to be updated at the same time
- A microservice is cohesive if it has a single, well-defined purpose

A service should encapsulate domain knowledge and abstract that knowledge from clients

Before finalizing, ensure....

Each service has a single responsibility

There are <u>no chatty calls between services</u>. If splitting functionality into two services causes them to be overly chatty, it may be a symptom that these functions belong in the same service

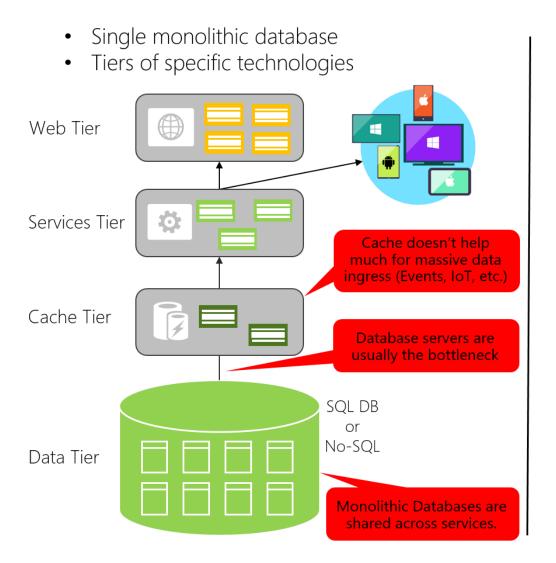
Each service is small enough that it can be built by a **small team** working independently

There are <u>no inter-dependencies</u>. It should always be possible to deploy a service without redeploying any other services

Services are **not tightly coupled**, and can evolve independently

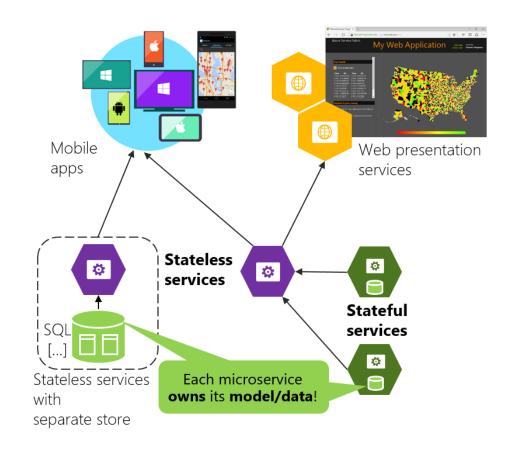
Your service boundaries will not create problems with data consistency or integrity

Data in Traditional approach



Data in Microservices approach

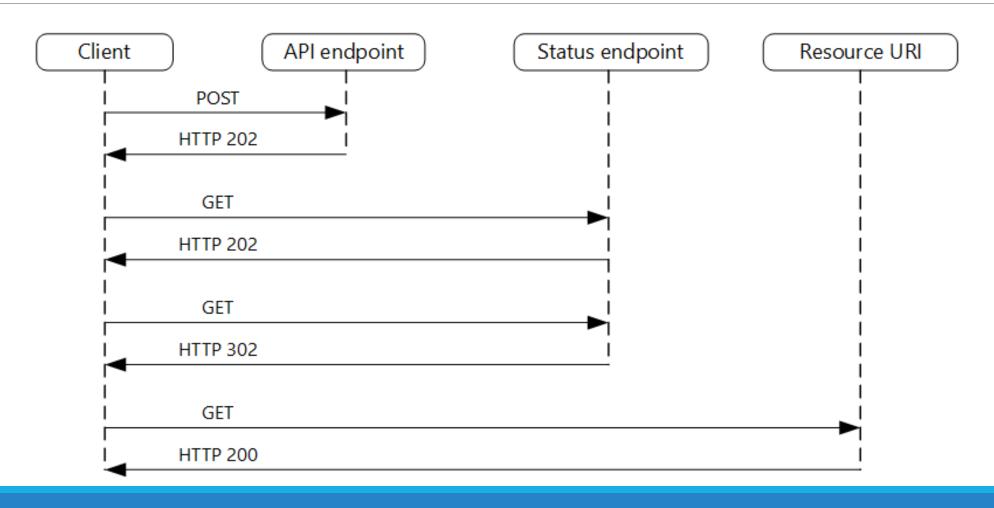
- Graph of interconnected microservices
- State typically scoped to the microservice
- Remote Storage for cold data



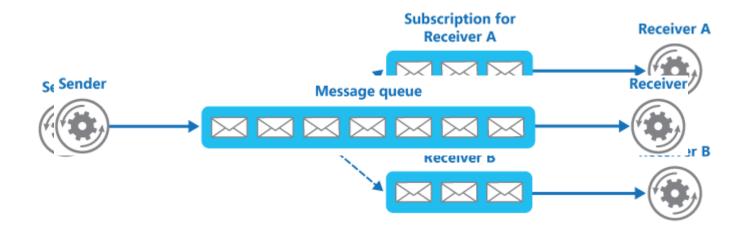
Inter-service communication

Synchronous vs Asynchronous

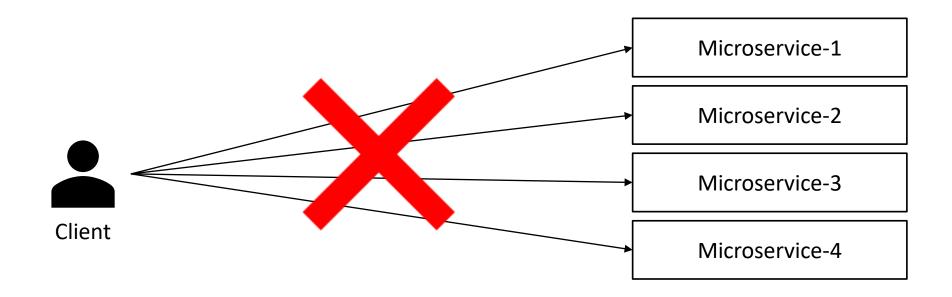
Asynchronous Request-Reply pattern



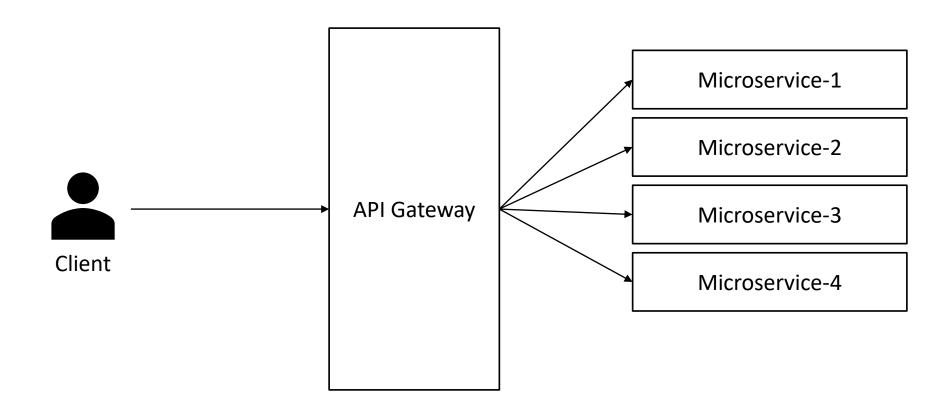
Asynchronous Messaging Patterns



Client Requests



API Gateways



Logging and Monitoring

Critical for tracking what's happening across services

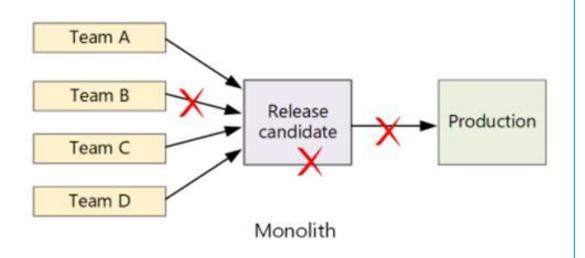
Distributed Tracing - understanding the flow of events across services

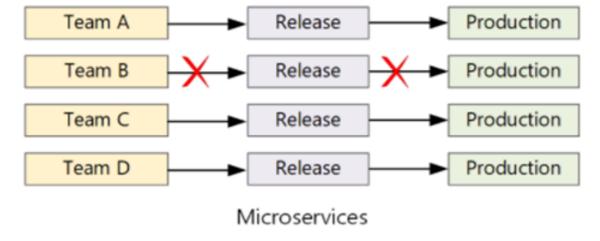
- A single operation or transaction may involve calls to multiple services.
- To reconstruct the entire sequence of steps, each service should propagate a correlation ID that acts as a unique identifier for that operation.

Available options in Azure

 Application Insights - managed service in Azure that ingests and stores telemetry data, and provides tools for analyzing and searching the data

Release Management





Benefits of Microservices

Agility - easier to manage bug fixes and feature releases

Small Code, Small Teams- "two-pizza rule"

Mix of technologies

Resiliency- If an individual microservice becomes unavailable, it won't disrupt the entire application, as long as any upstream microservices are designed to handle faults correctly

Scalability- allows each microservice to be scaled independently of the others

<u>Data Isolation</u>- It is much easier to perform schema updates, because only a single microservice is impacted.

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Early Adopters of Microservices









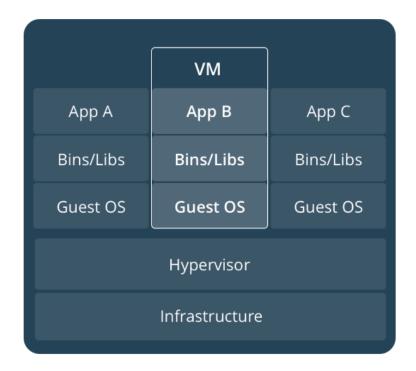




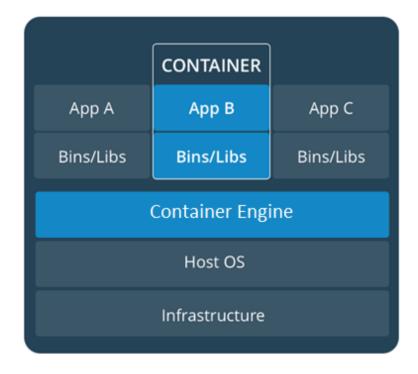


Virtual Machines vs Containers

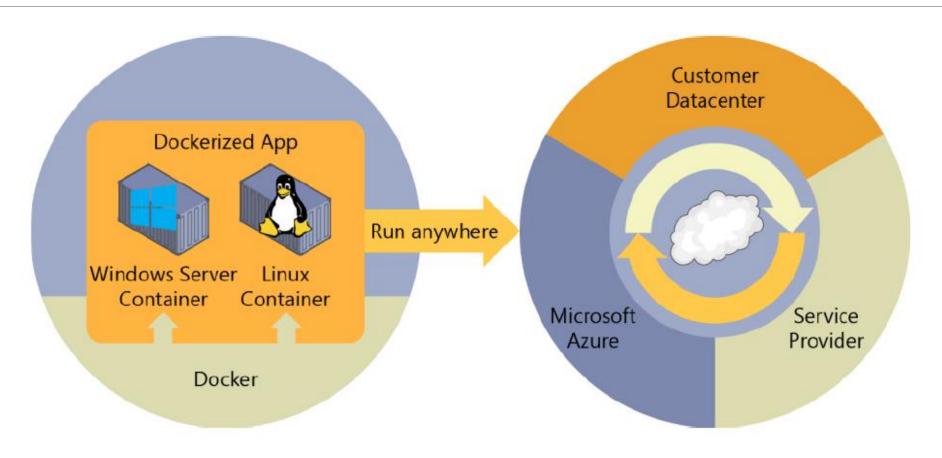
VIRTUAL MACHINES



CONTAINERS



Build Once, Run Anywhere



Benefits of Containers



Agility

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Ship apps faster



Portability

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Easily move workloads



Density

Achieve resource efficiency

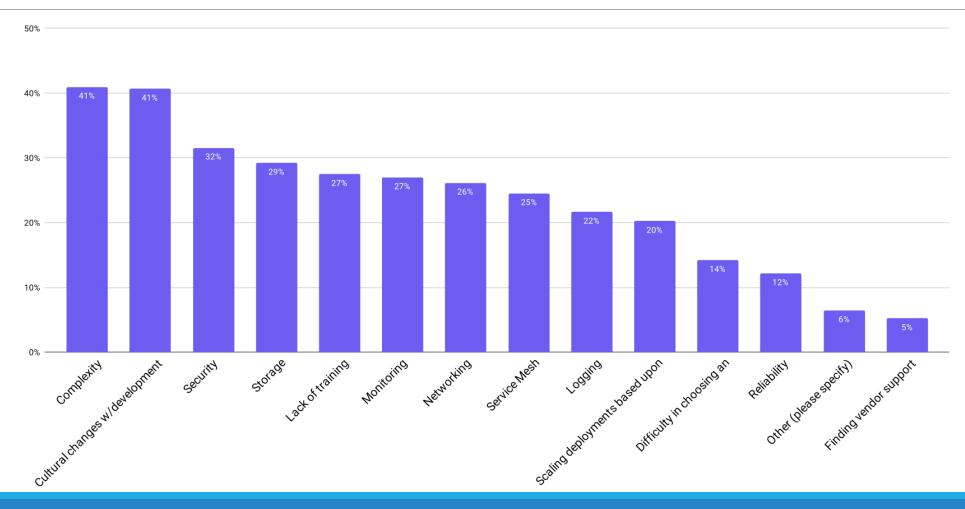


Rapid scale

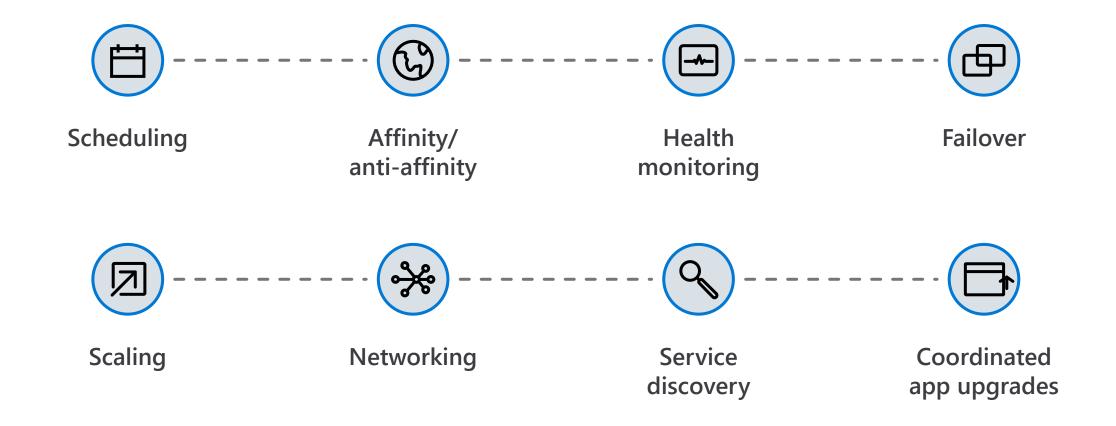
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Scale easily to meet demand

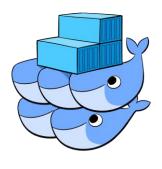
Challenges with Container Management



Container Orchestrators



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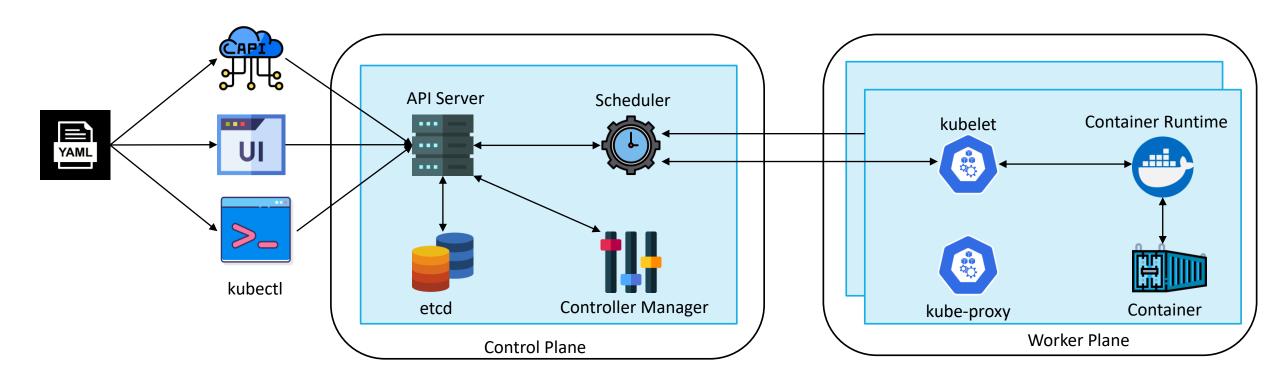


Kubernetes

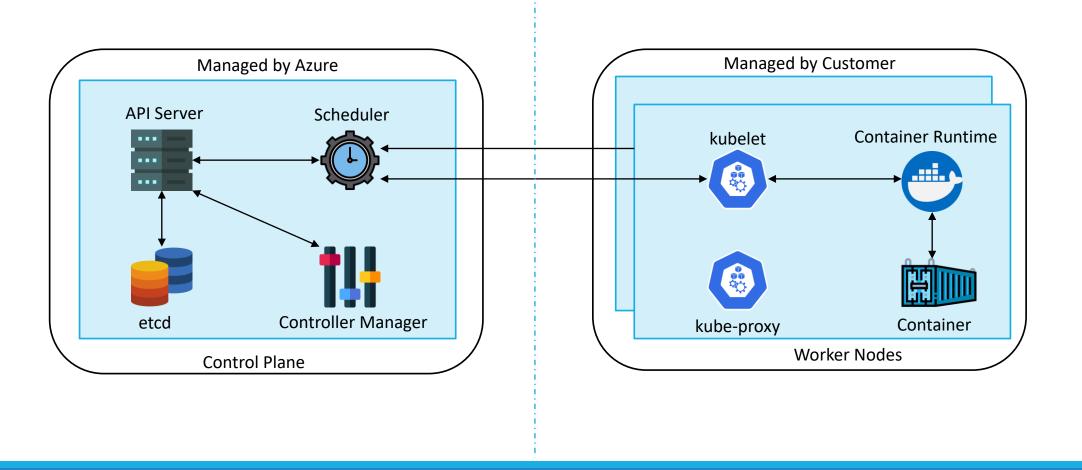




Kubernetes Architecture

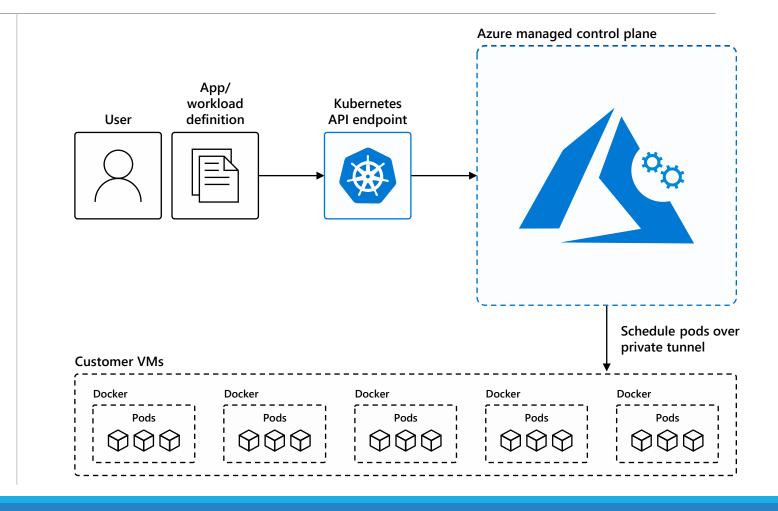


Azure Kubernetes Service

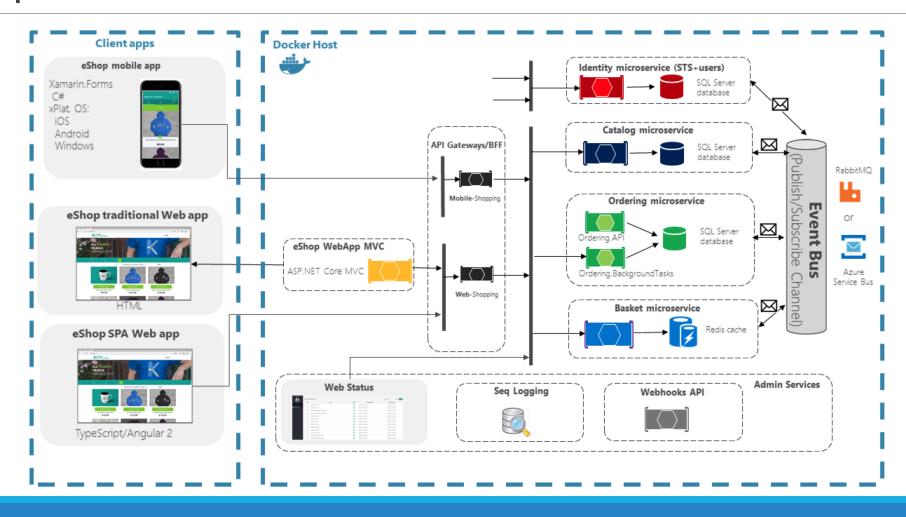


Benefits of AKS

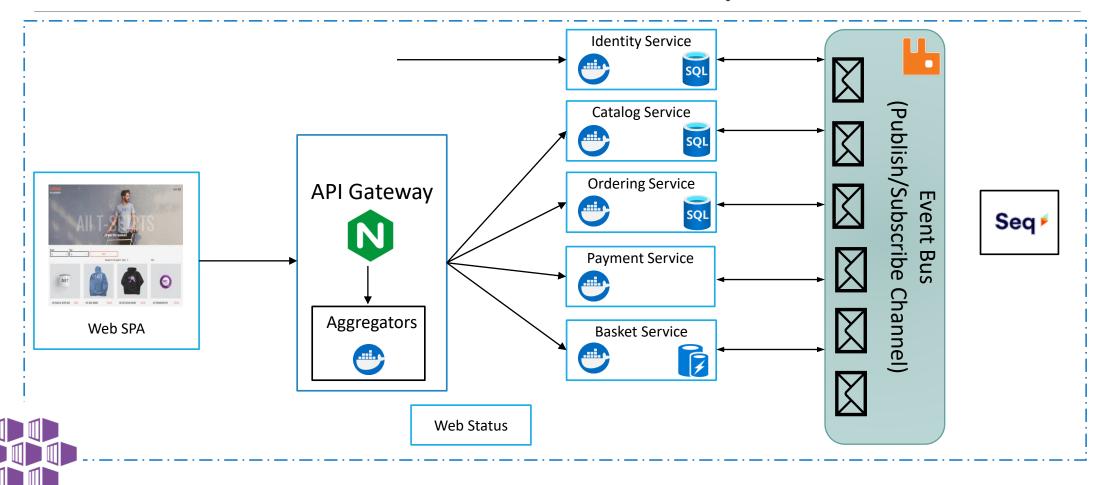
- Automated upgrades, patches
- High reliability, availability
- Easy, secure cluster scaling
- Self-healing
- API server monitoring
- At no charge



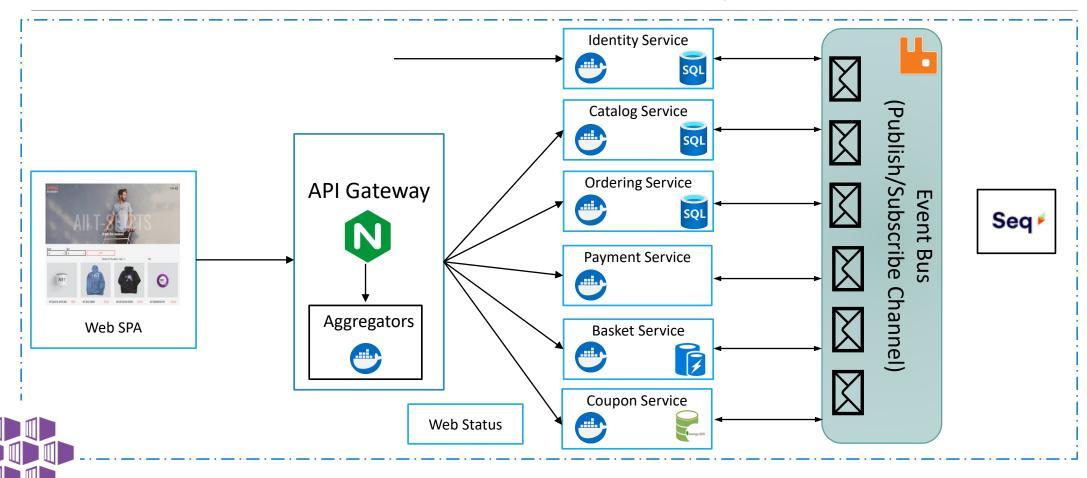
Application Reference Architecture



Reference Architecture - Implementation



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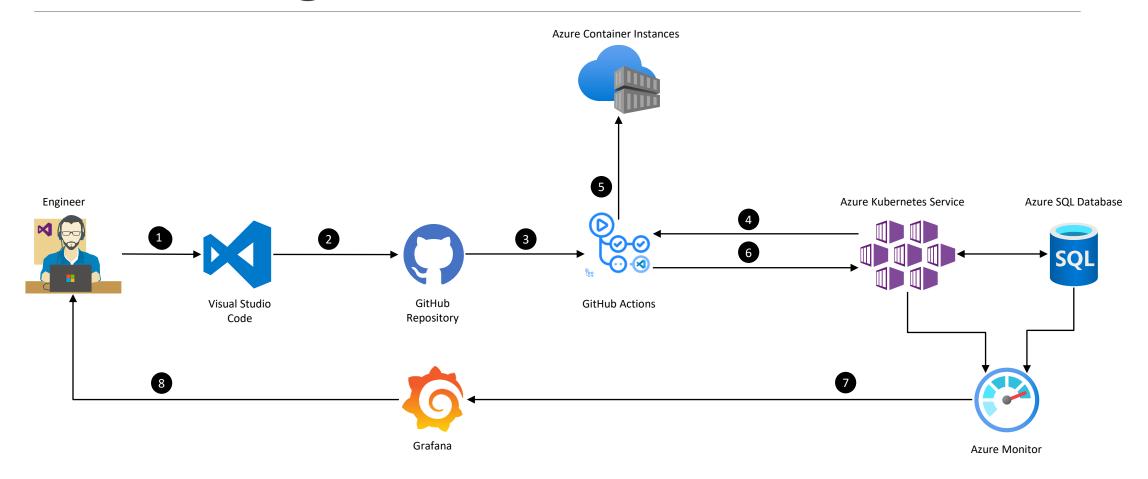




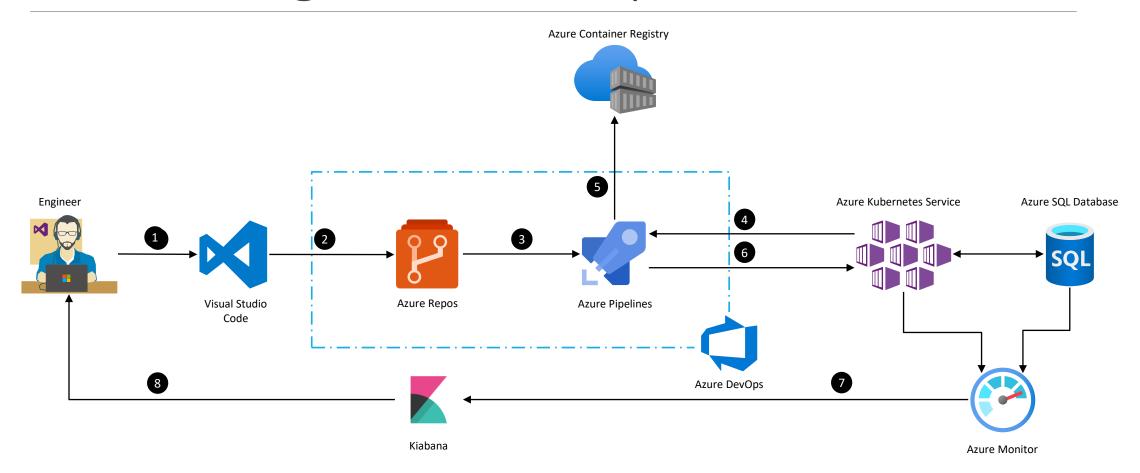


DEPLOYING TO AZURE KUBERNETES SERVICE

CI/CD using GitHub Actions



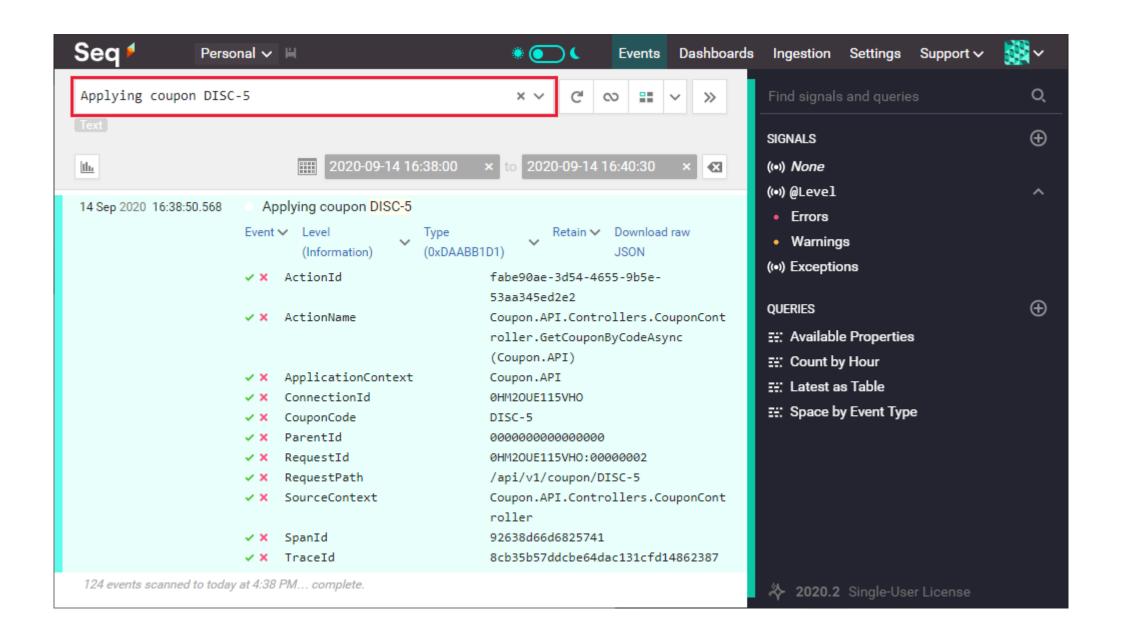
CI/CD using Azure DevOps





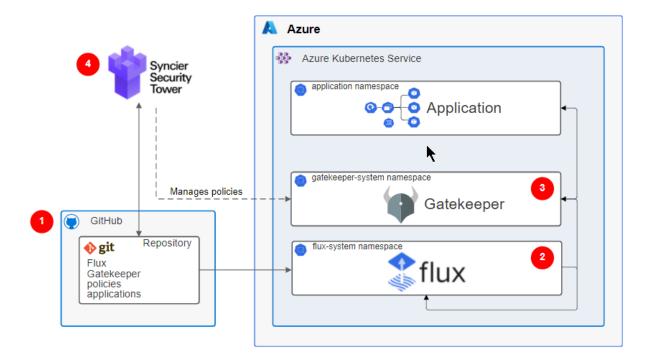


DEPLOYING THROUGH GITHUB ACTIONS



What is GitOps?

GitOps is an operational framework that takes DevOps best practices used for application development such as version control, collaboration, compliance, and CI/CD, and applies them to infrastructure automation.



Further Learning

Microservices Guide - https://www.martinfowler.com/microservices/

Kubernetes Documentation - https://kubernetes.io/docs/home/

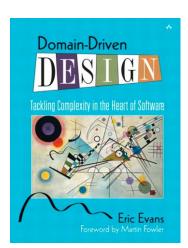
Kubernetes on Azure - https://bit.ly/2Y8CMzM

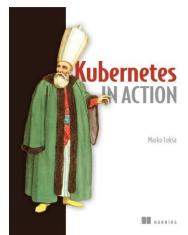
Microservices on AKS reference architecture - https://bit.ly/3pYT75N

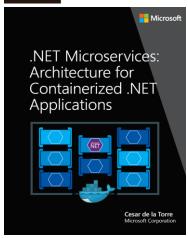
eShopOnContainers repo - https://bit.ly/3GM2VFZ

Demo 1 - https://bit.ly/3wadu0Q

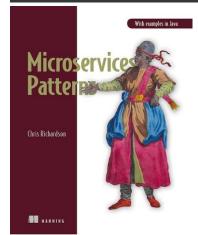
Demo 2 - https://bit.ly/3mEWFYF











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