Azure SQL Database

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Introduction



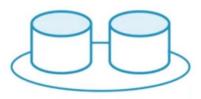


Azure SQL Database Deployment Types



Single Database

Own set of resources



Elastic Pool

Collection of databases sharing resources



Managed Instance

Dedicated engine instance running collection of databases

Why SQL Server in Azure?



Fully Managed



Predictable performance and pricing



Elastic pool for unpredictable workloads



99.99% availability built-in



Geo-replication and restore services



Supports existing SQL Server tools, libraries,



Scalability with no downtime



Secure and compliant for your sensitive data

Azure laaS vs PaaS Database offerings?



SQL Server on Azure VMs

SQL Server inside a fully-managed VM in Azure



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Responsibility comparison



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Benefits comparison



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Limitations comparison



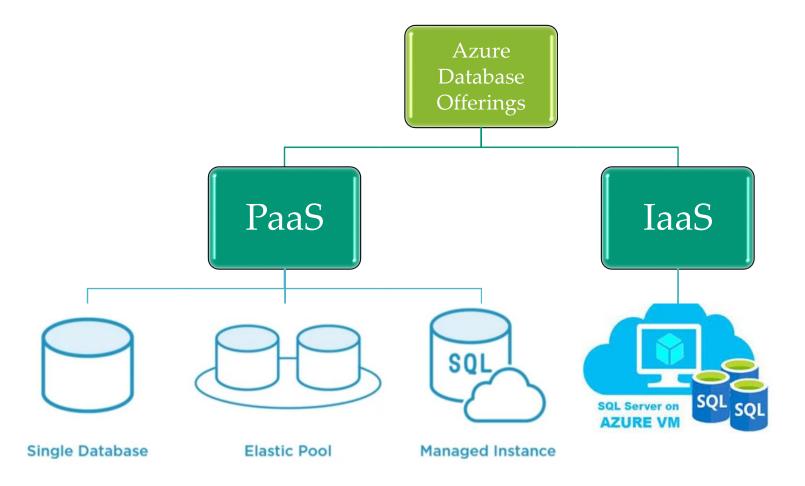
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SQL Server(PaaS) Deployment Options



Single database

Each DB with its own guaranteed compute, memory, and storage



Elastic pool

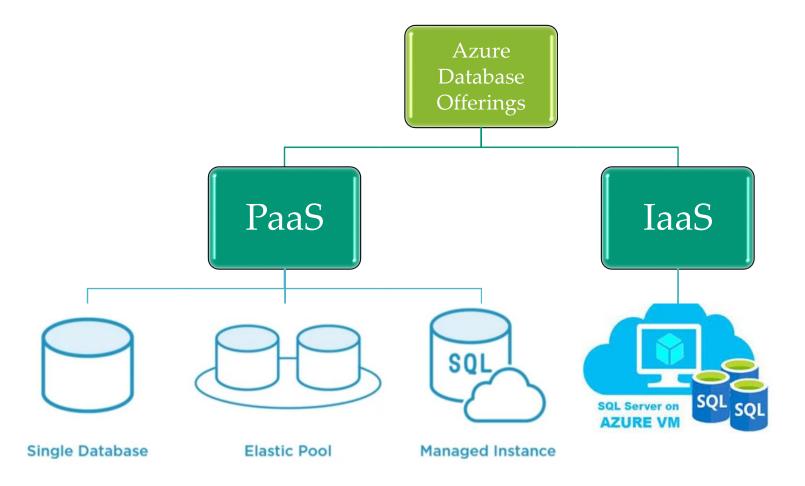
Fixed resources will be shared by all databases in the pool



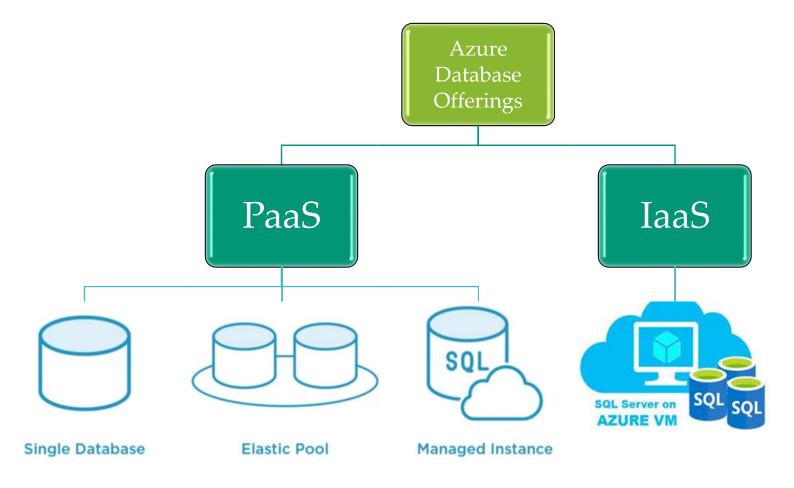
Managed instance

Each managed instance has its guaranteed resources

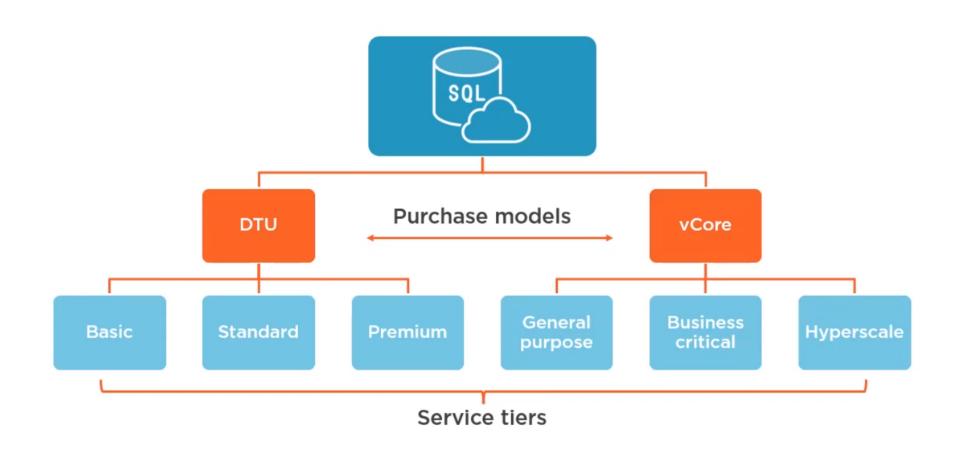
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Azure SQL Database Service Tiers



vCore-based vs DTU-based Model

vCore-based

- For Single database, elastic pool and managed instance
- Best for customers who need flexibility, control, and transparency
- Straightforward way to translate onpremises workload to the cloud
- Microsoft recommends vCore-based model

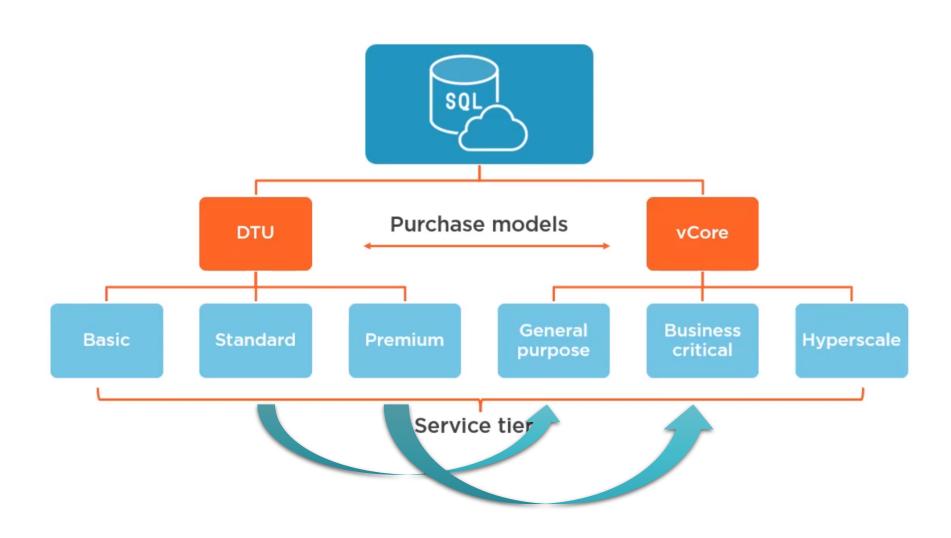
DTU-based

- Only for single database and elastic pool
- Best for customers who want single, preconfigured resource options
- Might need to calculate the needed DTUs before migration
- If the DTU-based purchasing model needs your performance and business requirements, you should continue using it.

Converting DTU-based Model to vCore-based

- If you single database or elastic pool consumes more than 300 DTUs, converting to the vCore-based model might reduce your costs
- You can use API of your choice or Azure Portal to convert to vCore based model with 'no downtime'.
- Azure SQL Database managed instance only supports vCore-based purchasing model.

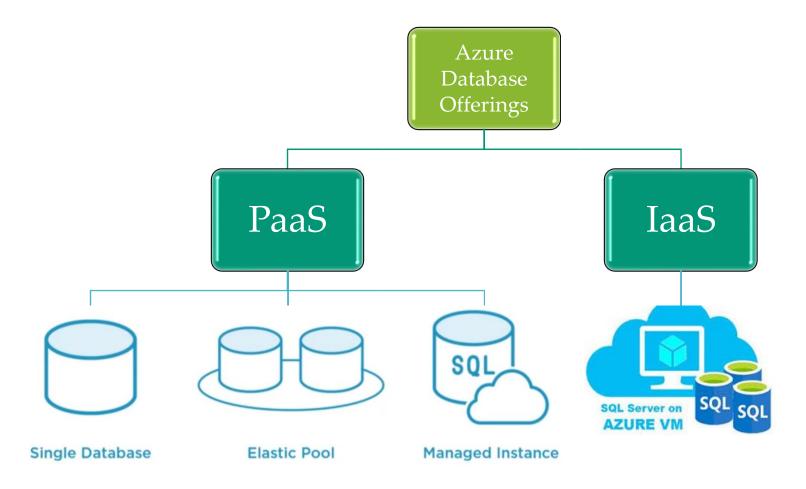
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Azure Database Elastic Pool

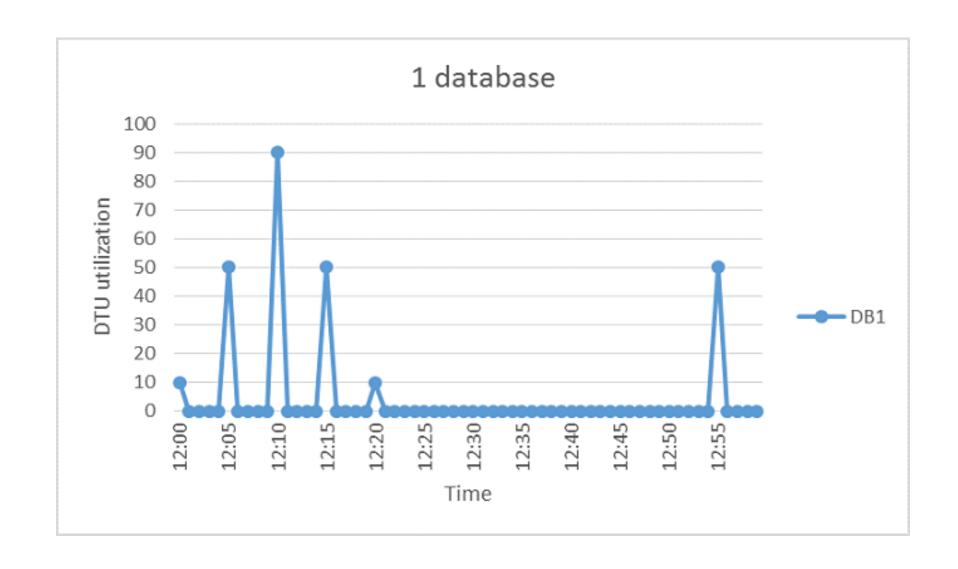


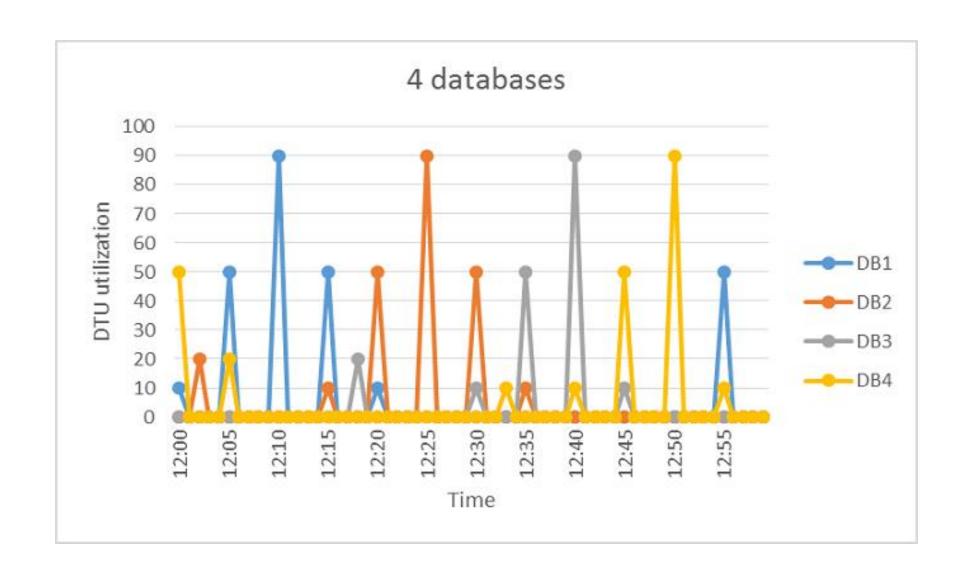
SQL Database Elastic Pools

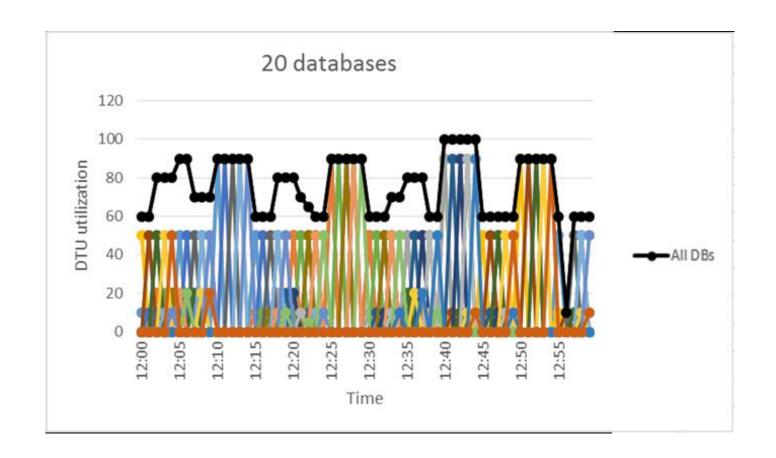
An Azure SQL Elastic Pool allows you to allocate a shared set of compute resources to a collection of Azure SQL databases,

Database Challenges









Azure SQL Database Elastic Pool

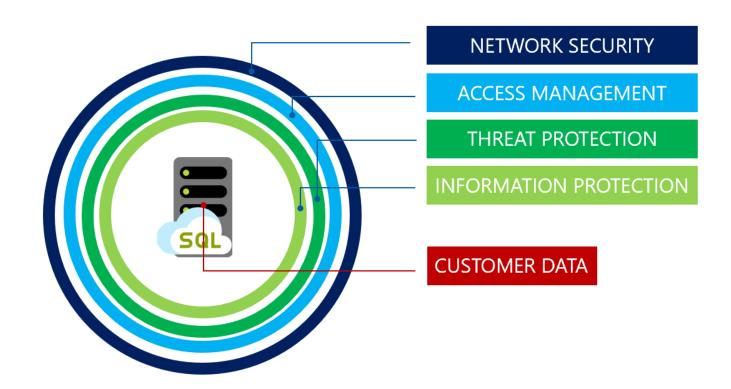
So Azure SQL elastic pool is a cost- effective solution for managing and scaling multiple databases that have varying and unpredictable usage demands.

The databases in an elastic pool are on a single Azure SQL Database server and share a set number of resources at a set price.

Elastic pool enables developers to optimize the price performance for a group of databases within a prescribed budget.

Elastic pools prevent over-provisioning or under-provisioning of resources.

Security



Network security

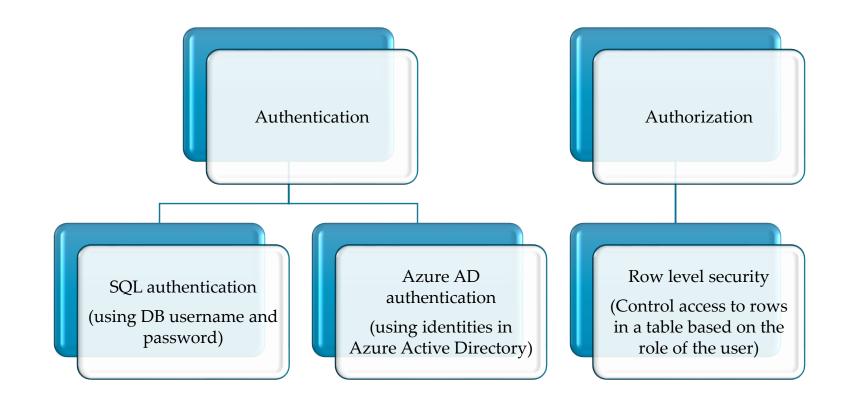
IP firewall rules

• Grant access to databases based on the originating IP address of each request.

Virtual network firewall rules

• Enable Azure SQL Database to only accept requests originating from subnets inside a virtual network.

Access Management



Threat Protection

SQL auditing in Azure Monitor logs and Event Hubs

 Tracks database activities and helps maintaining compliance with security standards

Advanced Threat Protection

 Analyzes your SQL Server logs to detect unusual behavior and potentially harmful attempts

Information Protection

Transport Layer Security TLS

Always enforces encryption for all connections

Transparent Data Encryption • (Protects data at rest from offline access to raw files or backups)

Dynamic Data masking

 (Protects sensitive data by masking it for non-privileged users)

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Security Management

Vulnerability assessment

• Discover track and remediate potential database vulnerabilities.

Data discovery & Classification

 Identify and label sensitive data for monitoring and alerting

Managed Instance Advance Security

Native virtual network implementation and connectivity to your onpremises environment using Azure Express Route or VPN Gateway.

In a default deployment, SQL endpoint is exposed only through a private IP address, allowing safe connectivity from private Azure or hybrid networks.

Single-tenant with dedicated underlying infrastructure (compute, storage).