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Course Overview

AZ-204 Skills Measured

Exam AZ-204: Developing Solutions for Microsoft Azure



Questions & Resources

- Please post questions in the Q&A box
- The course repository
 - https://github.com/zaalion/oreilly-az-204
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AZ-204 Candidate Profile

Professionals who:

Have subject matter expertise designing, building, testing, and

maintaining cloud applications and services on Microsoft Azure.



Azure Developer Associate

- Should have at least 2 years of professional development experience
- Experience with Microsoft Azure
- Can program in a language supported by Azure



AZ-204 Candidates

- Proficiency in
 - Azure SDKs, Azure PowerShell, Azure CLI,
 - Data storage options, data connections, APIs,
 - App authentication and authorization
 - Compute and container deployment
 - Debugging, performance tuning, and monitoring.



AZ-204 Skills Measured

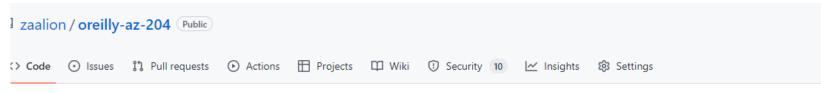
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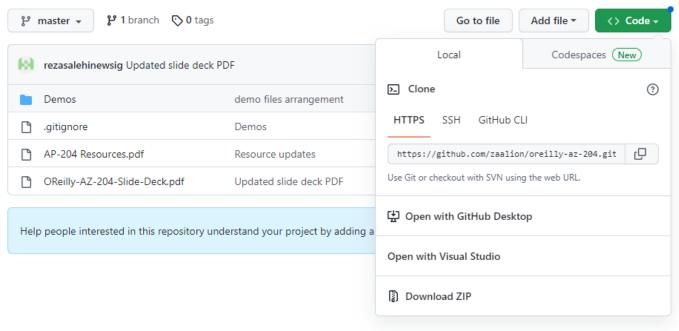
- Develop Azure compute solutions (25-30%)
- Develop for Azure storage (15-20%)
- Implement Azure security (15-20%)
- Monitor, troubleshoot, and optimize Azure solutions (10-15%)
- Connect to and consume Azure services and third-party services (20-25%)

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Develop Azure Compute Solutions

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- Implement containerized solutions
- Create Azure App Service Web Apps
- Implement Azure functions

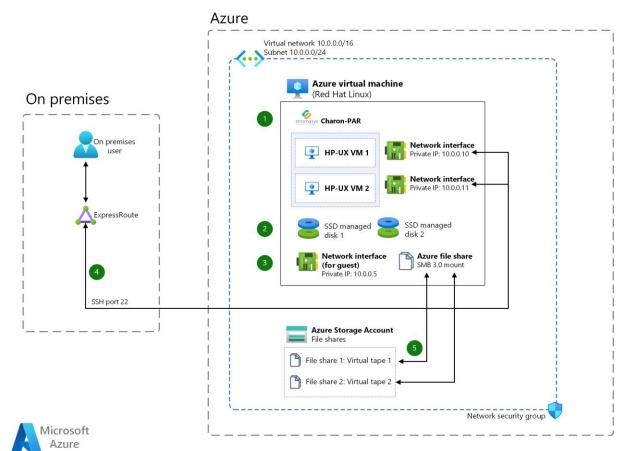


Implement containerized solutions

- Create and manage container images for solutions [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Publish an image to the Azure Container Registry [see <u>1 2 3 4</u>]
- Run containers by using Azure Container Instance [see <u>1 2 3</u>]
- Create solutions by using Azure Container Apps [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]

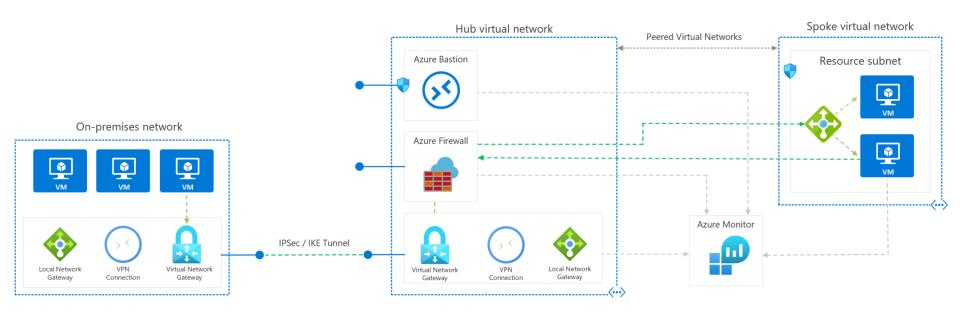


Implement laaS solutions





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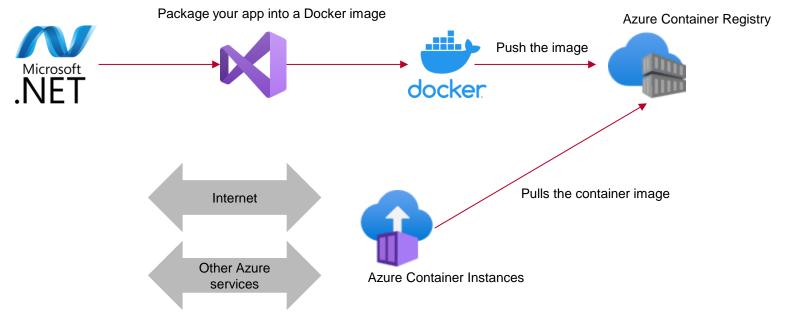


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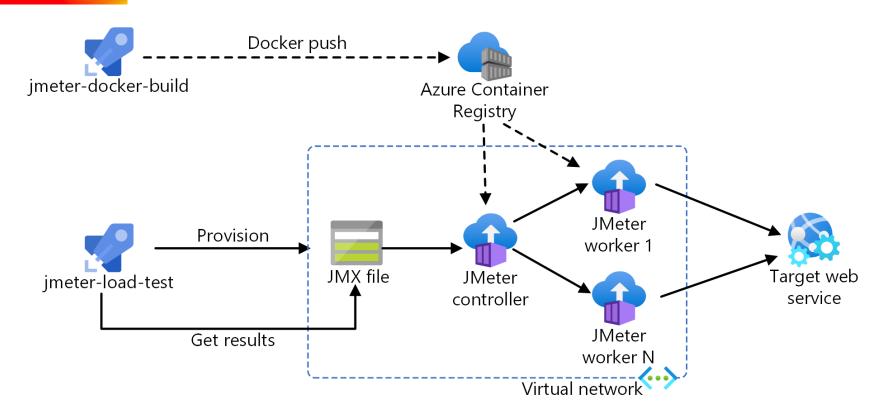
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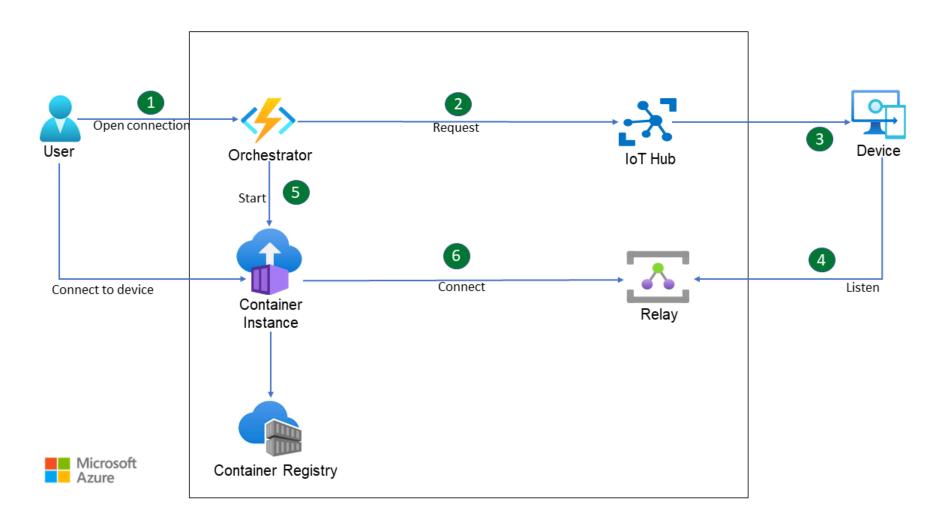
Host Your Code in ACI

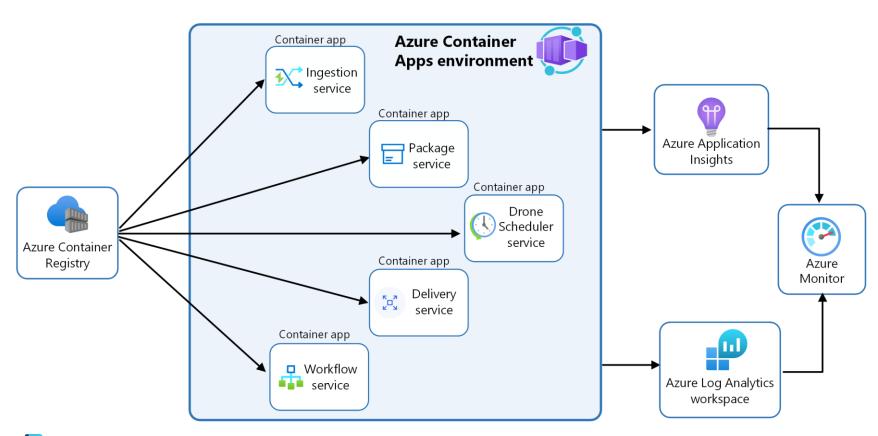






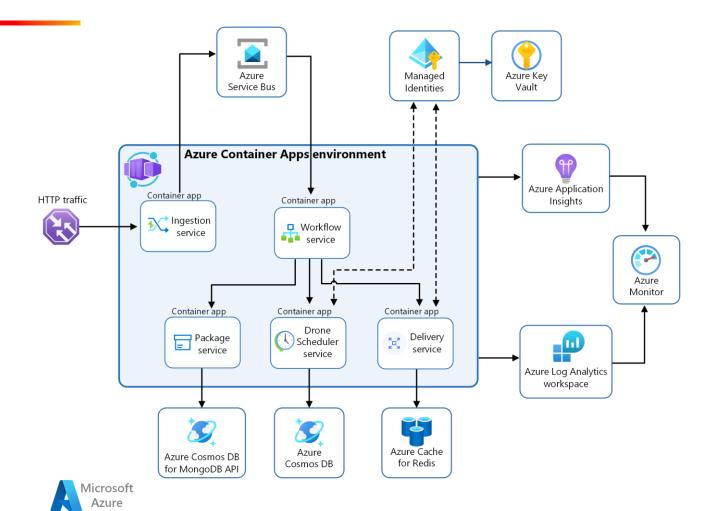














Create Azure App Service Web Apps

- Create an Azure App Service Web App [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u> <u>3</u>]
- Configure and implement diagnostics and logging [see 1]
- Deploy code and containers [see <u>1 2 3 4</u>]
- Configure settings including Transport Layer Security (TLS), API settings, and connection strings [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Implement autoscaling [see 1]
- Configure deployment slots [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]



Azure App Services

Azure App Service is an HTTP-based service for hosting web applications, REST APIs, and mobile back ends. It can host .NET, .NET Core, Java, Ruby, Node.js, PHP, or Python code





Azure App Services

- Is a PaaS service, which means less administrative overhead comparing to laaS services
- The service is managed by Azure. You just deploy your code and run it
- Host websites and RESTful APIs using the web app feature
- Other apps such as mobile app back ends or automated business processes
- Use for legacy and new applications
- Global scale with high availability





Azure Event Hub



Azure Storage Account



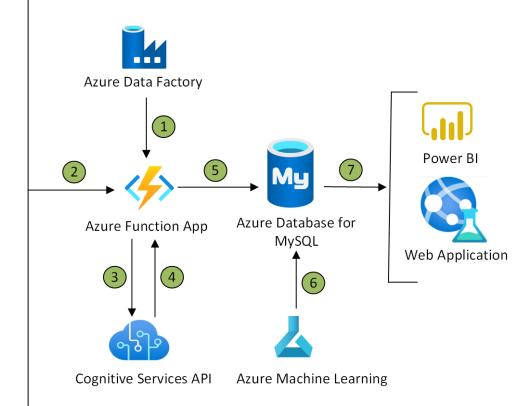
Azure Cosmos DB



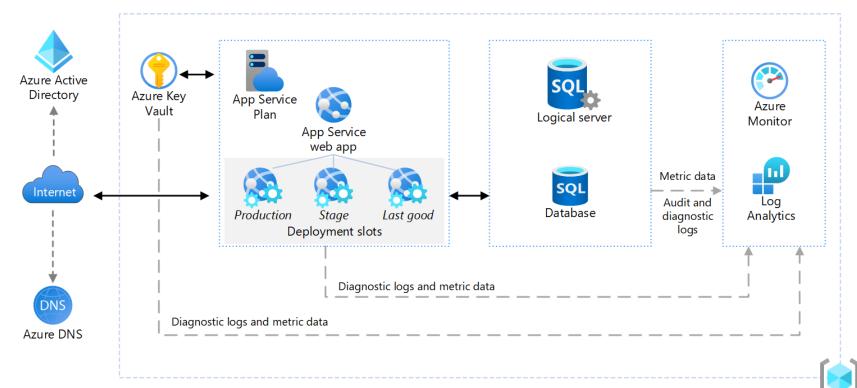
Azure SQL Database



Azure Synapse

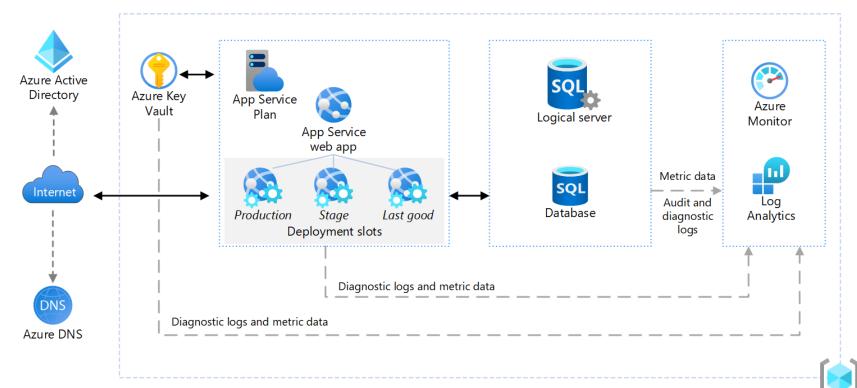








Resource Group





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Implement Azure functions

- Create and configure an Azure Function App [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u> <u>3</u>]
- Implement input and output bindings [see below]
- Implement function triggers by using data operations, timers, and webhooks [see <u>1 2 3 4]</u>



Azure Functions

- Run isolated pieces of code in a serverless solution.
- Best to host microservices and APIs (HTTP, and other types)

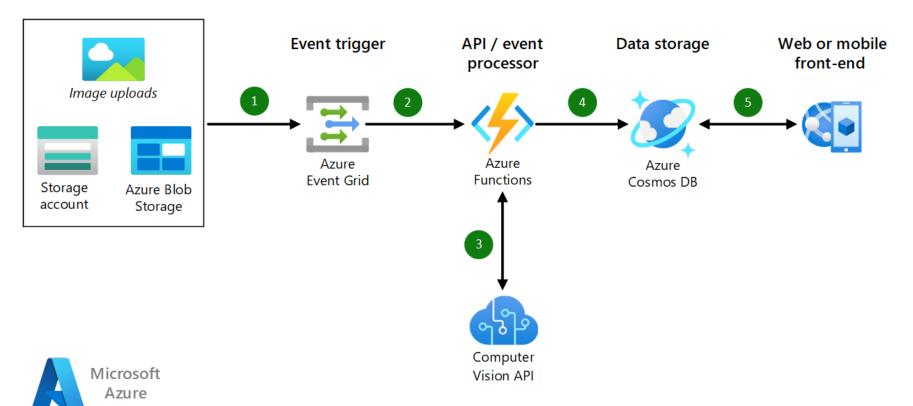




Azure Functions

- A serverless PaaS
- The service is managed by Azure. Just deploy your code and run it
- Host APIs and microservices
- Use for legacy and new applications
- Automatic scale and high availability







HTTP API call to Orchestrator Durable Function Managed Azure Service Azure AD Identity (MSI) orchestration Container Application Registry Insights Create ACI container group and instance Azure Container Instances Call API in the container Get called from ACI container Delete ACI group



Develop for Azure Storage

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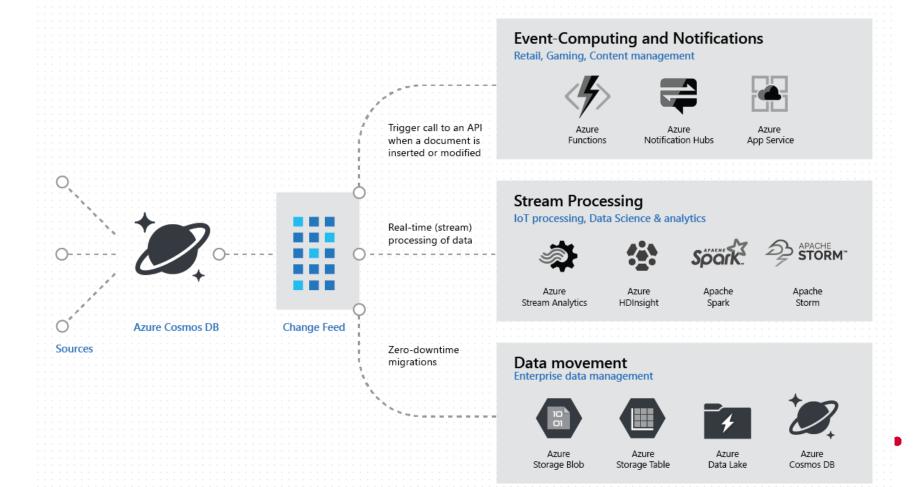
- Develop solutions that use Azure Cosmos DB
- Develop solutions that use Azure Blob Storage

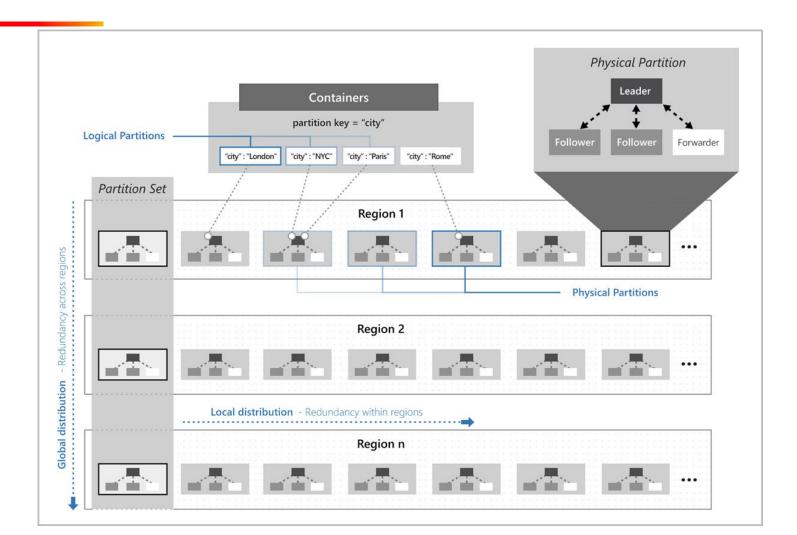


Develop solutions that use Azure Cosmos DB

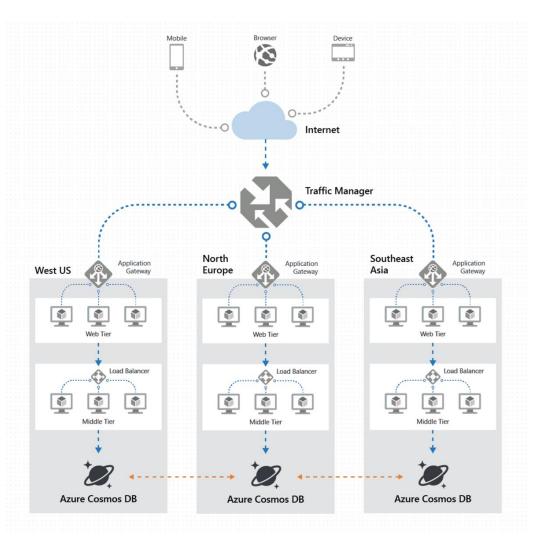
- Perform operations on containers and items by using the SDK [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Set the appropriate consistency level for operations [see 1]
- Manage change feed notifications [see 1, 2]



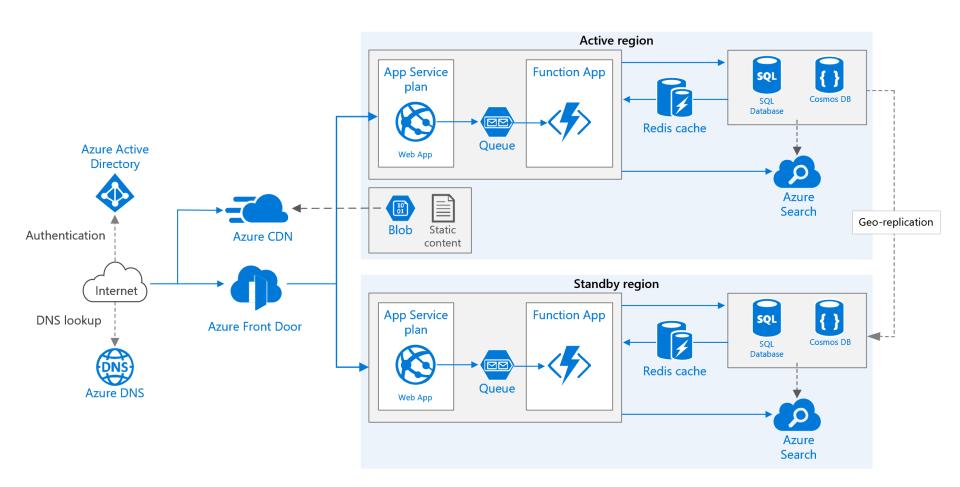


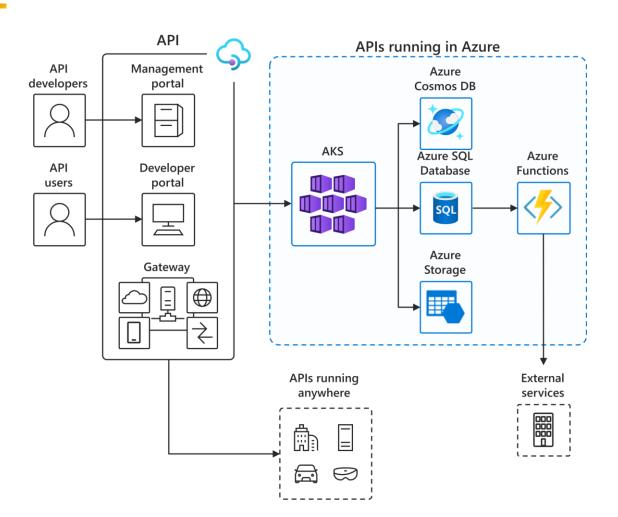






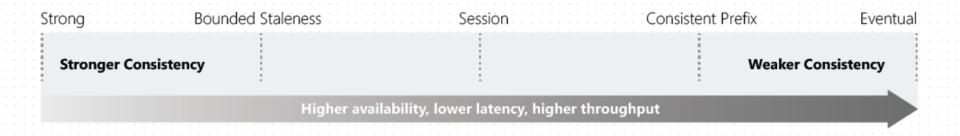








Consistency Levels in Azure Cosmos DB





Develop solutions that use Azure Blob Storage

- Set and retrieve properties and metadata [see 1]
- Perform operations on data by using the appropriate SDK [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Implement storage policies, and data lifecycle management [see <u>1 2 3 4</u>]



Azure Storage Account

Contains all Azure Storage data objects, including blobs, file shares, queues, and tables.



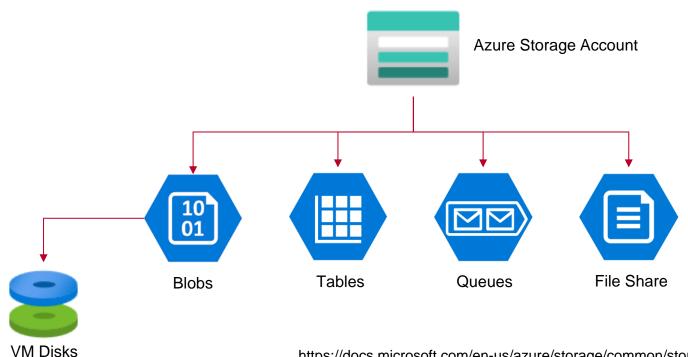


Azure Storage Account

- Accessible from around the globe over HTTP(S)
- Store blobs, tables, queues, and file shares
- Access via public and private endpoints
- Financially-backed SLA
- Security-in-depth (firewall, in transit, at rest)



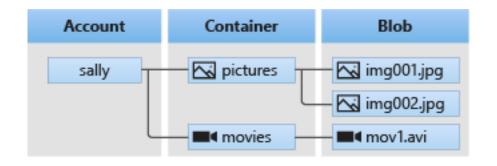
Azure Storage Services





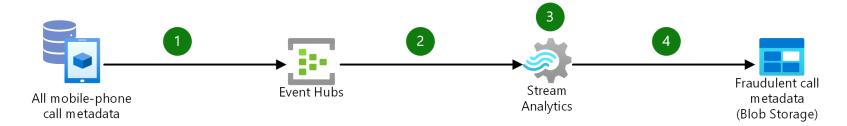
Azure Storage Account: Blobs

A scalable object store for text/binary files (unstructured data). Also includes support for big data analytics through Data Lake Storage Gen2



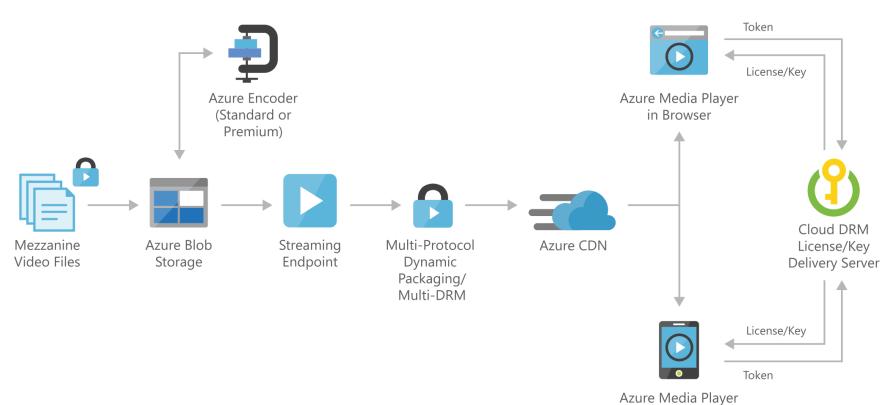


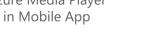














Implement Azure Security

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- Implement user authentication and authorization
- Implement secure cloud solutions



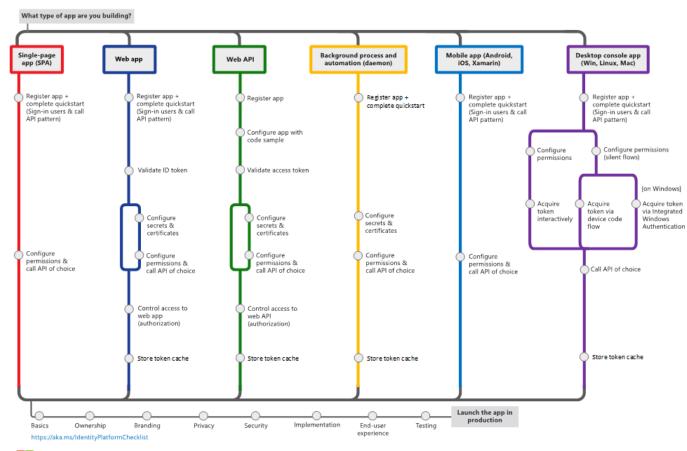
Implement user authentication and authorization

- Authenticate and authorize users by using the Microsoft Identity platform [see <u>1 2 3 4 5</u>]
- Authenticate and authorize users and apps by using Microsoft Entra ID [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Create and implement shared access signatures [see 1 2]
- Implement solutions that interact with Microsoft Graph [see 1 2 3 4 5]



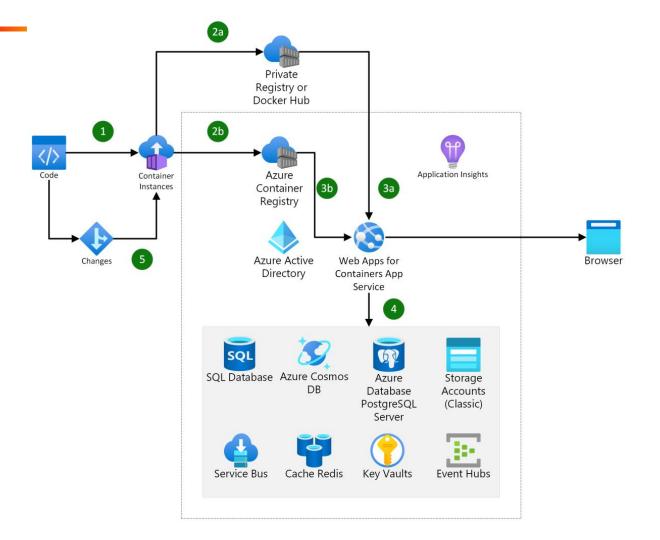
Microsoft identity platform

http://aka.ms/IdentityPlatform

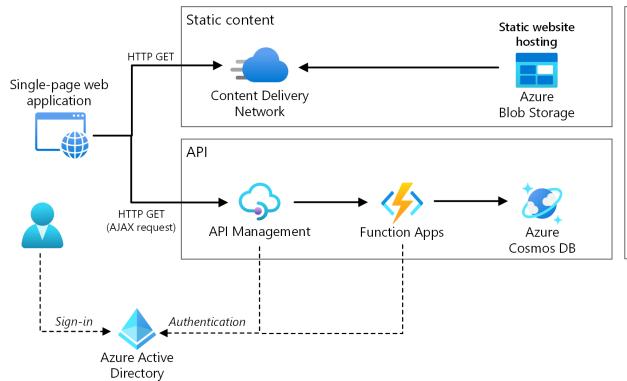


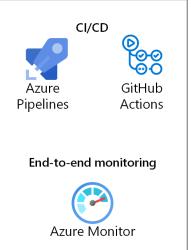












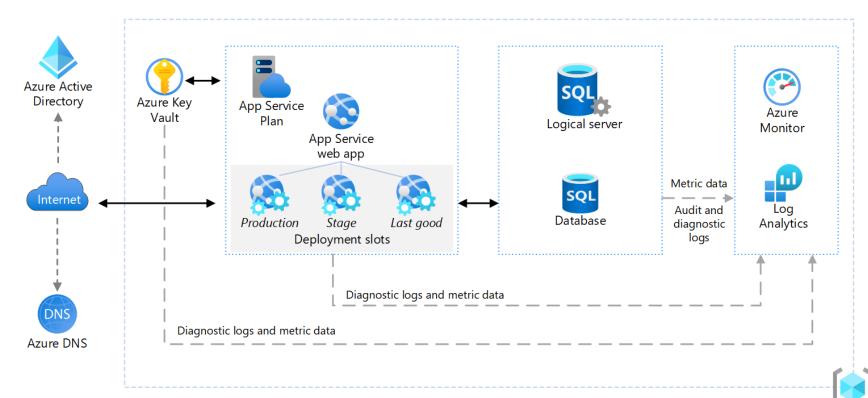




Implement secure cloud solutions

- Secure app configuration data by using App Configuration or Azure Key Vault [see <u>1 2 3</u>]
- Develop code that uses keys, secrets, and certificates stored in Azure Key Vault [see 1 2 3]
- Implement Managed Identities for Azure resources [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]







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Monitor, Troubleshoot, and Optimize Azure Solutions

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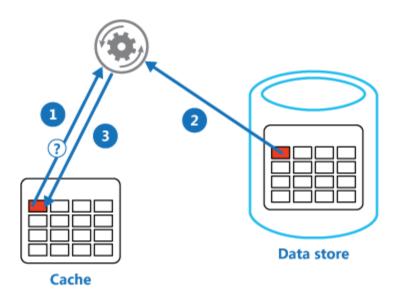
- Implement caching for solutions
- Troubleshoot solutions by using Application Insights



Implement caching for solutions

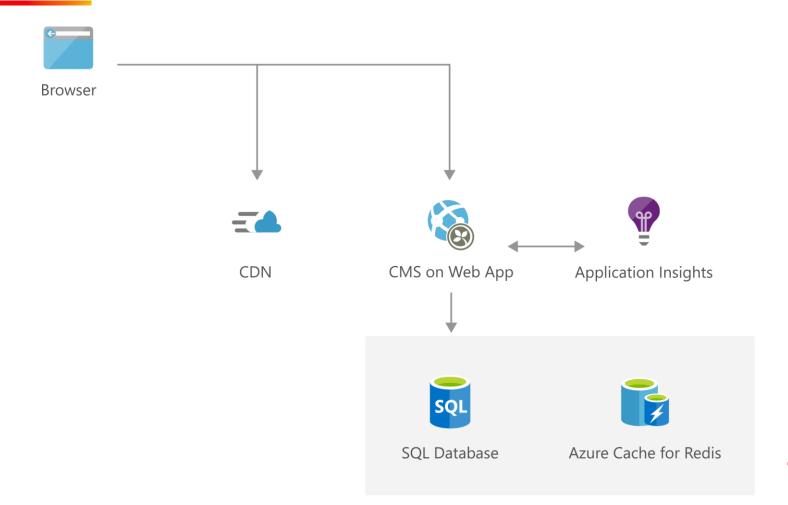
- Configure cache and expiration policies for Azure Cache for Redis [see <u>1 2 3</u>]
- Implement secure and optimized application cache patterns including data sizing, connections, encryption, and expiration [see 1]
- Implement Azure Content Delivery Network endpoints and profiles [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]

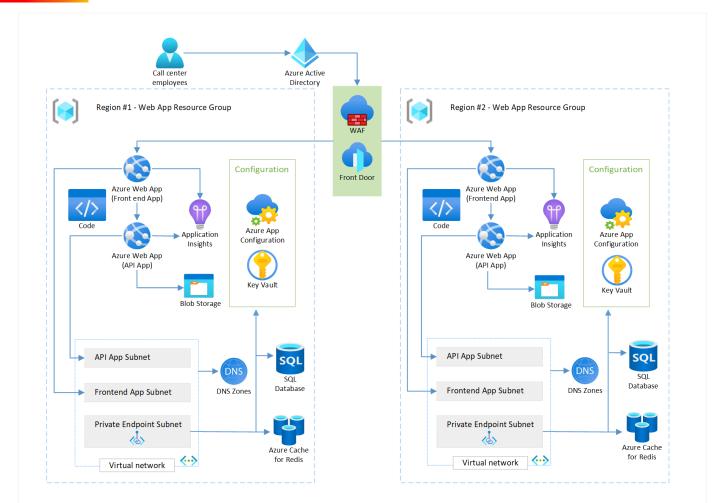




- 1: Determine whether the item is currently held in the cache.
- 2: If the item is not currently in the cache, read the item from the data store.
- 3: Store a copy of the item in the cache.









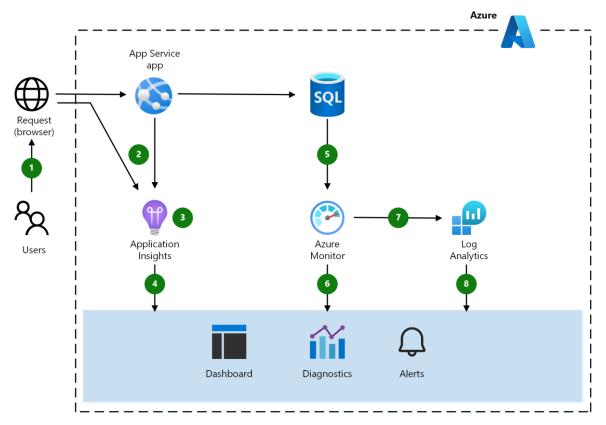
Troubleshoot solutions by using Application Insights

- Monitor and analyze metrics, logs, and traces [see <u>1 2 3 4</u>]
- Implement Application Insights web tests and alerts [see <u>1 2 3</u>]



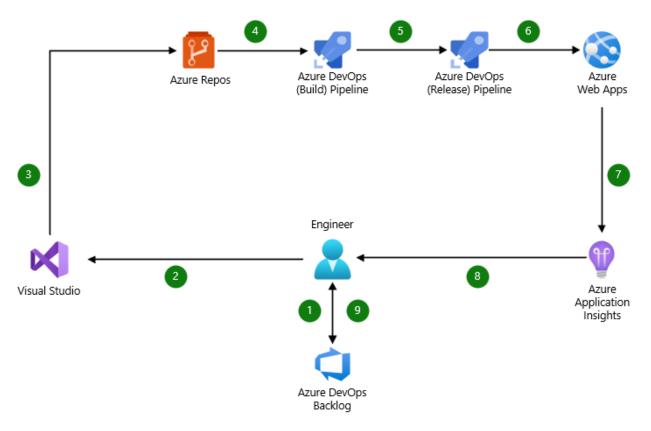
















Connect to and Consume Azure Services and Third-party Services

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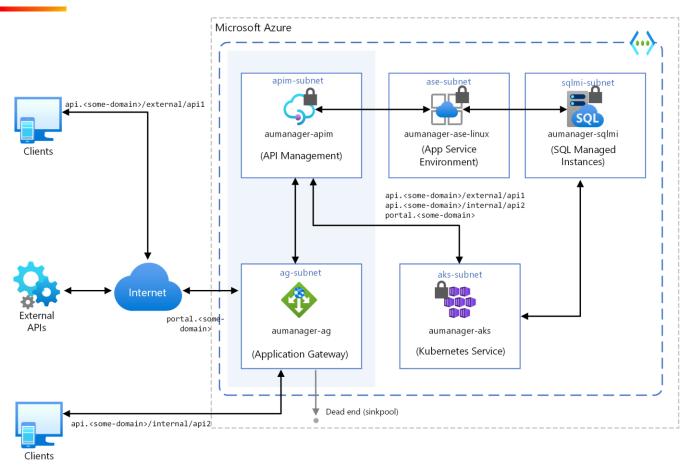
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Implement API Management

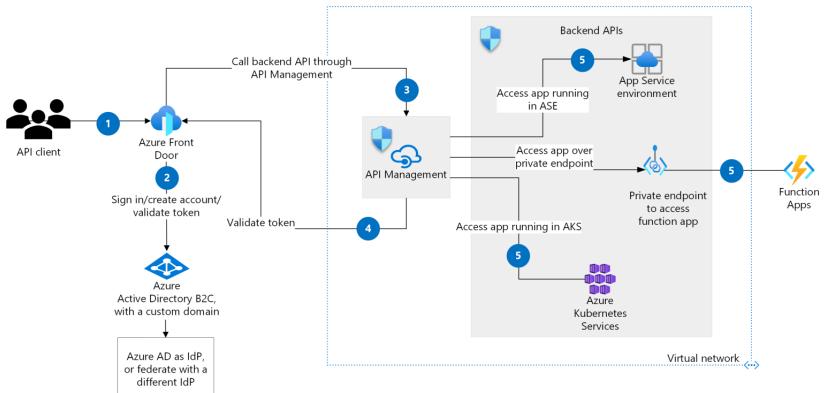
- Create an Azure API Management instance [see 1]
- Create and document APIs [see 1]
- Configure access to APIs [see 1]
- Implement policies for APIs [see 1]



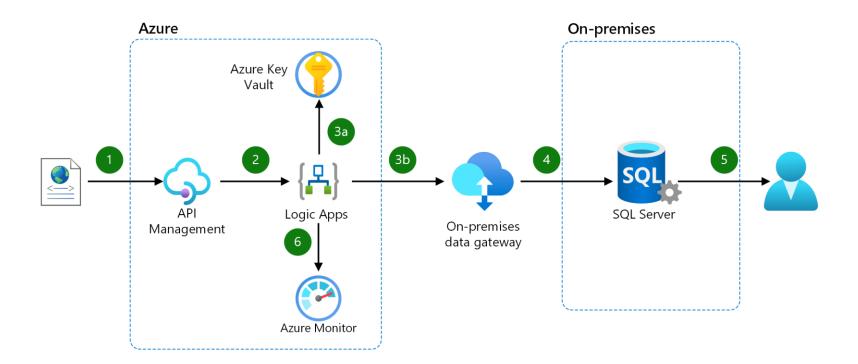












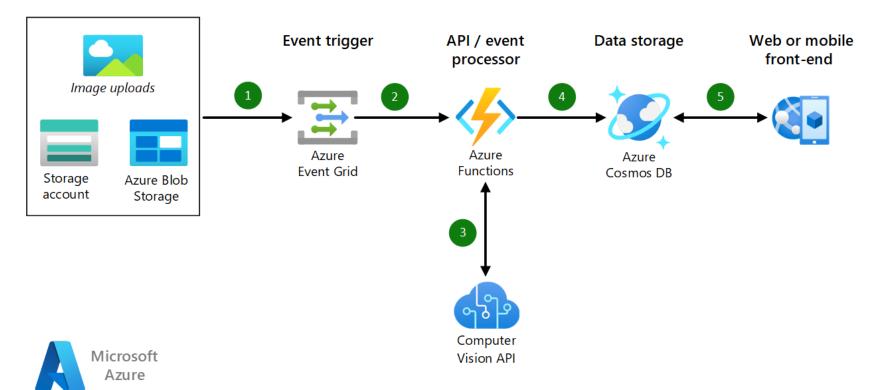




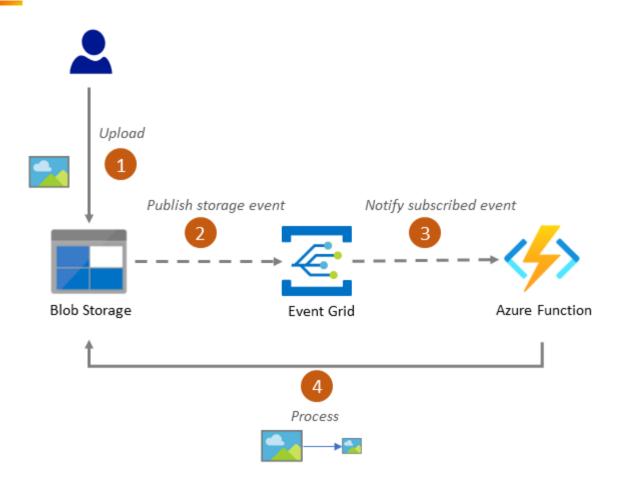
Develop event-based solutions

- Implement solutions that use Azure Event Grid [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]
- Implement solutions that use Azure Event Hubs [see <u>1 2 3 4</u>]

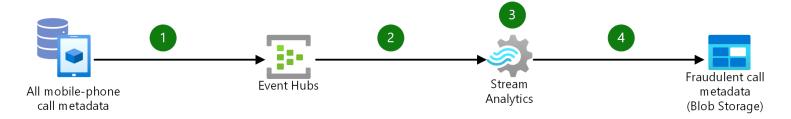






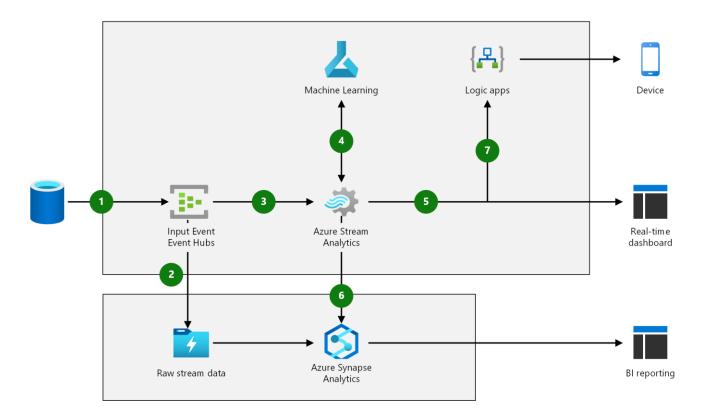












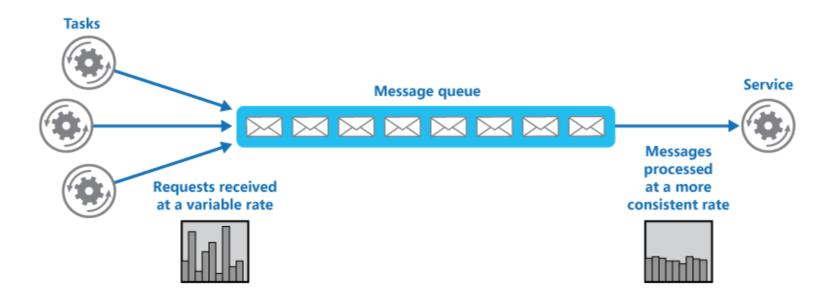




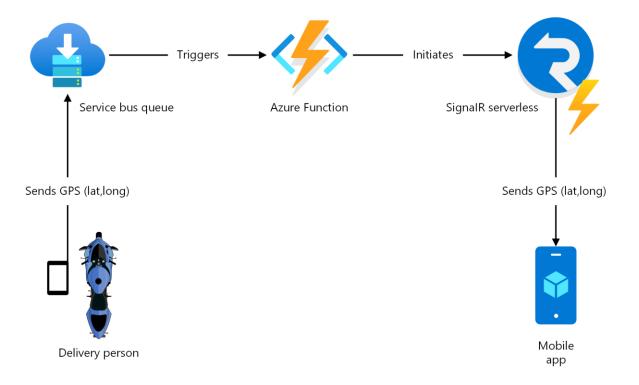
Develop message-based solutions

- Implement solutions that use Azure Service Bus [see <u>1 2 3 4 5</u>]
- Implement solutions that use Azure Queue Storage queues [see <u>1</u> <u>2</u>]



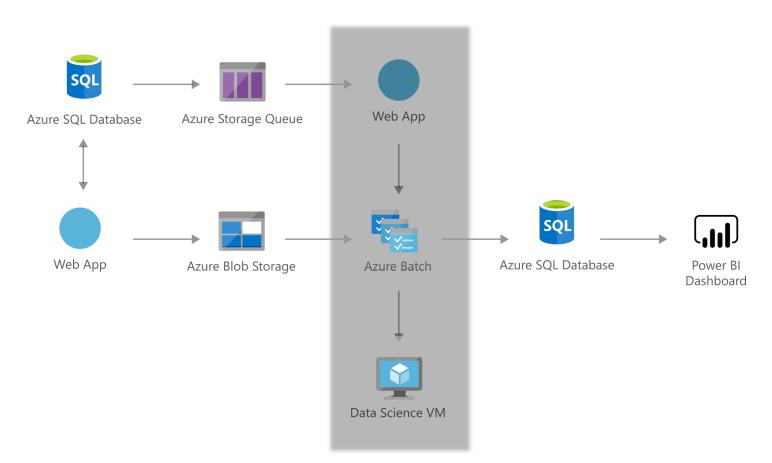














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- There will be hands-on labs



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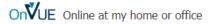
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