

Cloud Computing with **Windows Azure**

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why?

cheaper.
risk mitigation.
agility.

what?

elastic compute.

scalable storage.

network topology.

how?

self service.

pay as you go.

cloud managed.

windows azure



Developer Experience
Use existing skills and tools.

Visual Studio | eclipse | python | php

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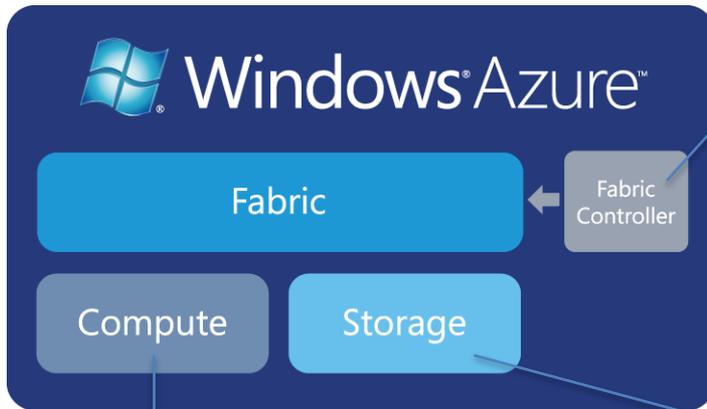


Windows Azure | **Microsoft SQL Azure** | **Windows Azure AppFabric**

Compute | Storage | Management | Relational data | Management | Connectivity | Access control

This diagram illustrates the integration of three Microsoft Azure services. It is divided into three vertical sections by double-headed arrows. The left section is for Windows Azure, the middle for Microsoft SQL Azure, and the right for Windows Azure AppFabric. Each section lists its core services with corresponding icons.

architecture



Service Management

- .manages the Windows Azure OS
- .monitors every application
- .optimizes hardware utilization.

Storage Services

- .store large amounts of data
- .in any format

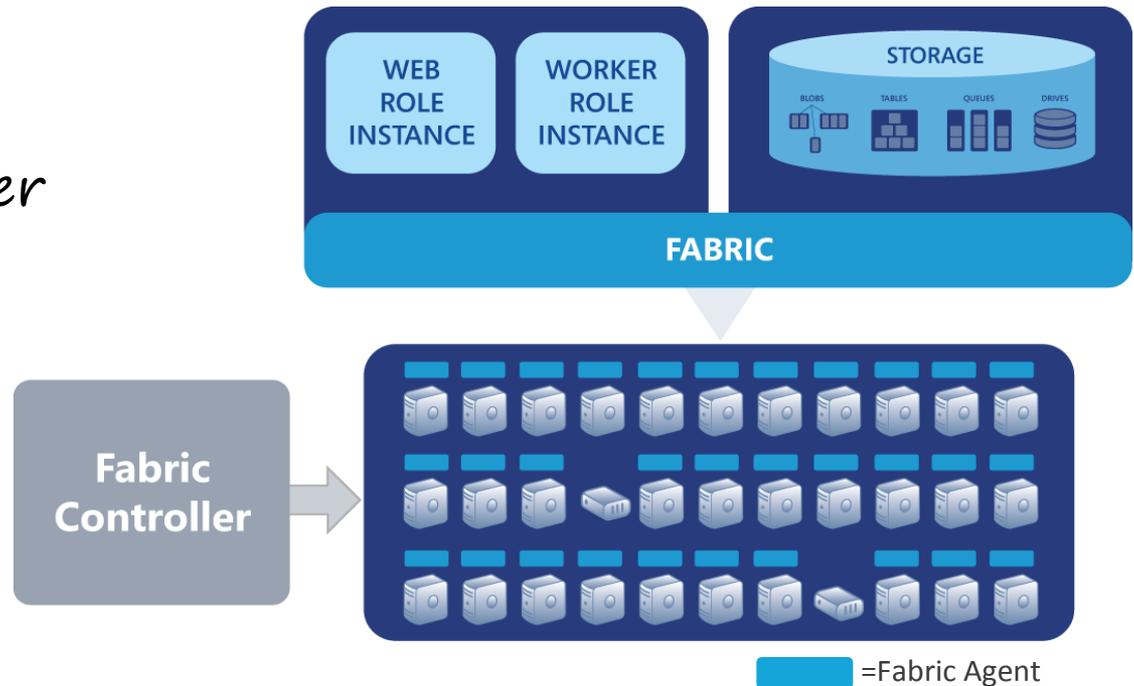
Virtualized Computation

- .provides application scalability
- .instances can be replicated as needed

fabric

Fabric

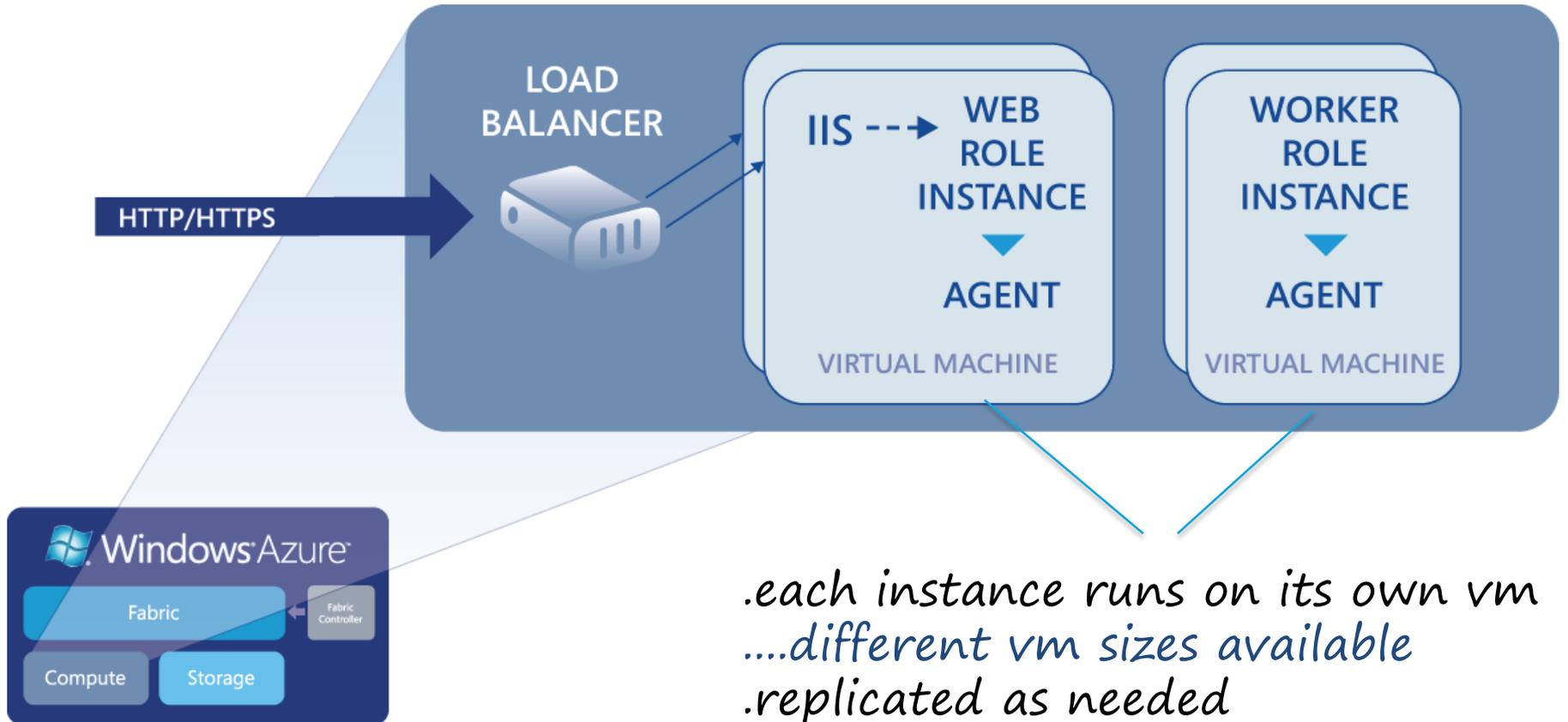
- .collection of servers
- .multiple VMs per server
- .different VM sizes



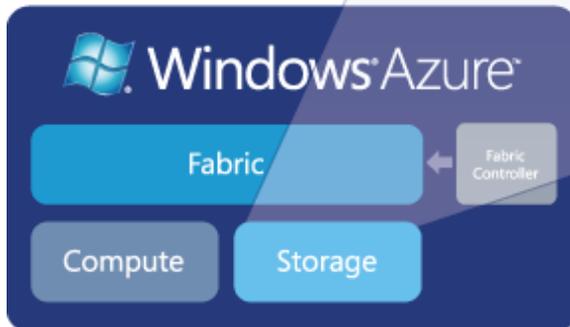
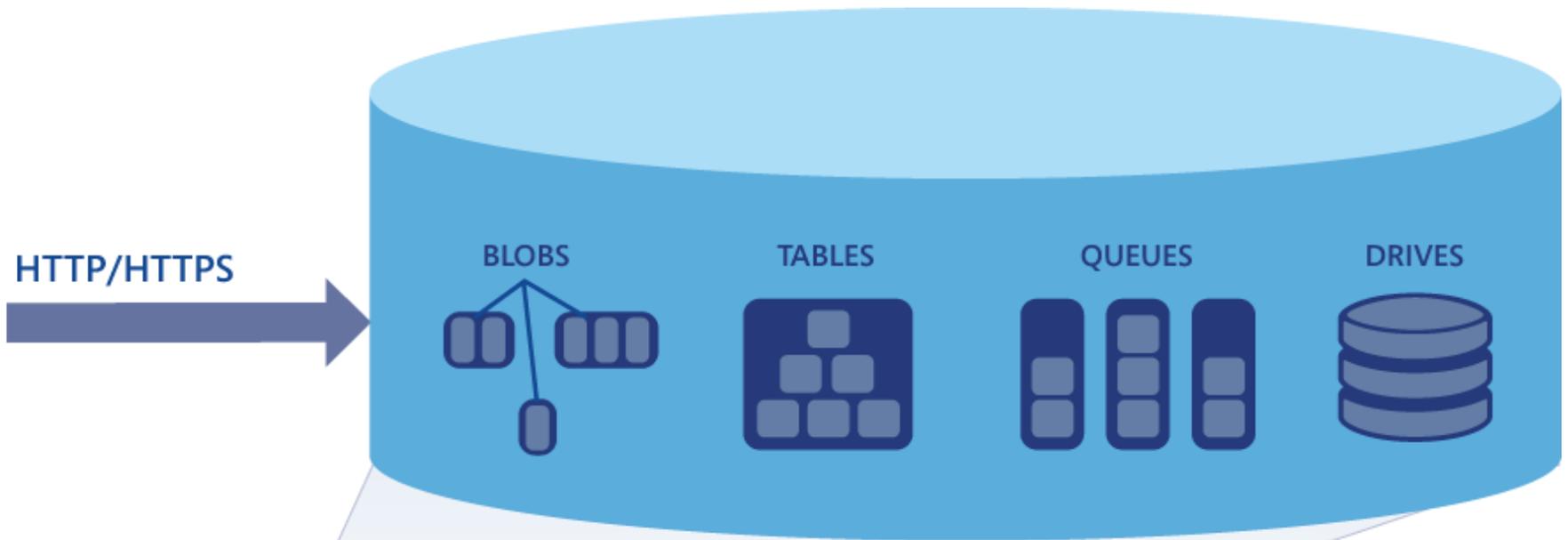
Fabric controller

- .interacts with a "Fabric Agent" on each machine
- .monitors every VM, application and instance
- .performs load balancing, check pointing and recovery

compute

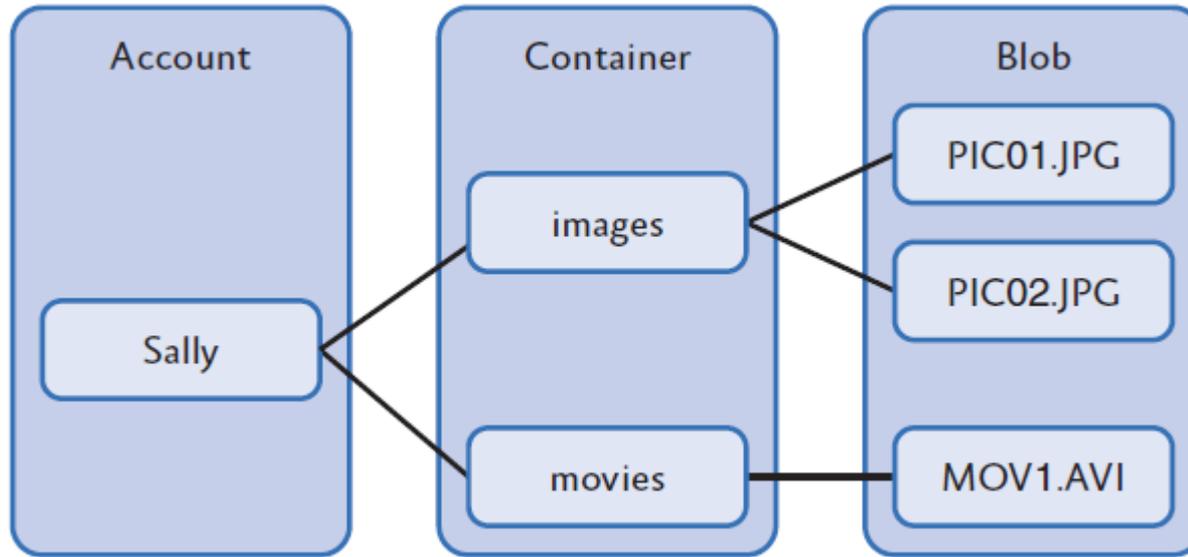


storage



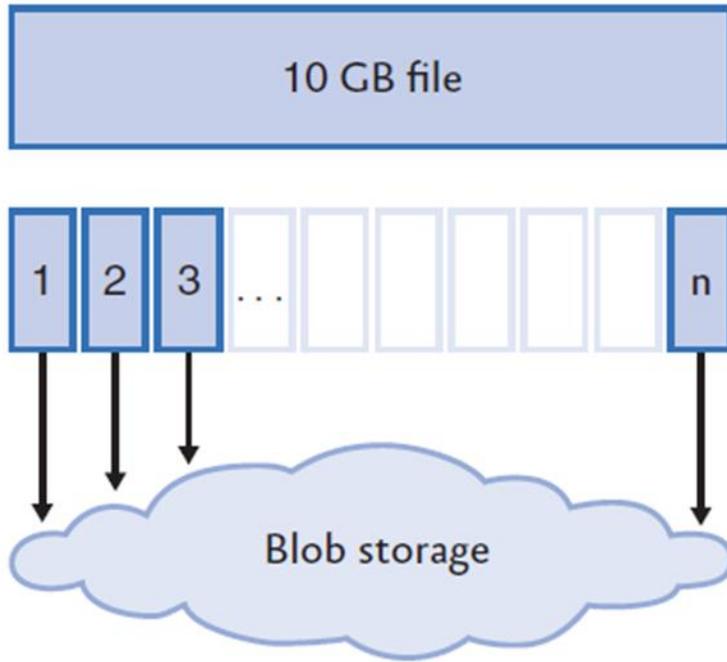
.REST and client library access
.NTFS APIs for drives
.uses 512 bit secret

blob storage



- .metadata <name, value> pairs, up to 8KB per blob
- .block and page blob
- ...size limit depends of blob type

block blob



Thread 1:

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PutBlock(1,block[1])  
PutBlock(2,block[2])  
...
```

Thread 2:

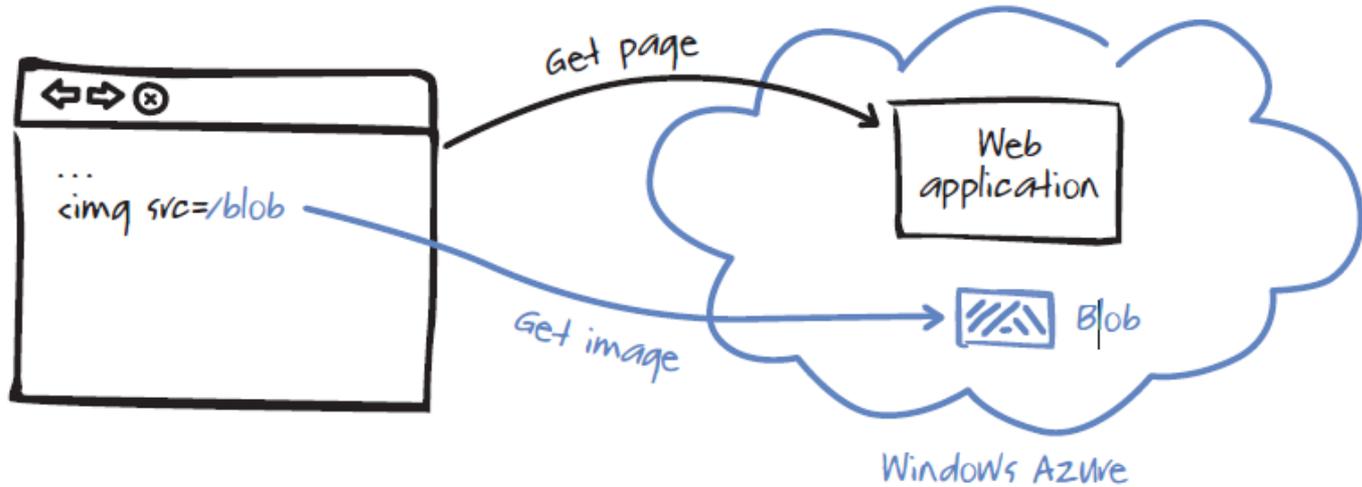
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PutBlock(3,block[3])  
PutBlock(n,block[n])  
...
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PutBlockList(1,2,3,...n)

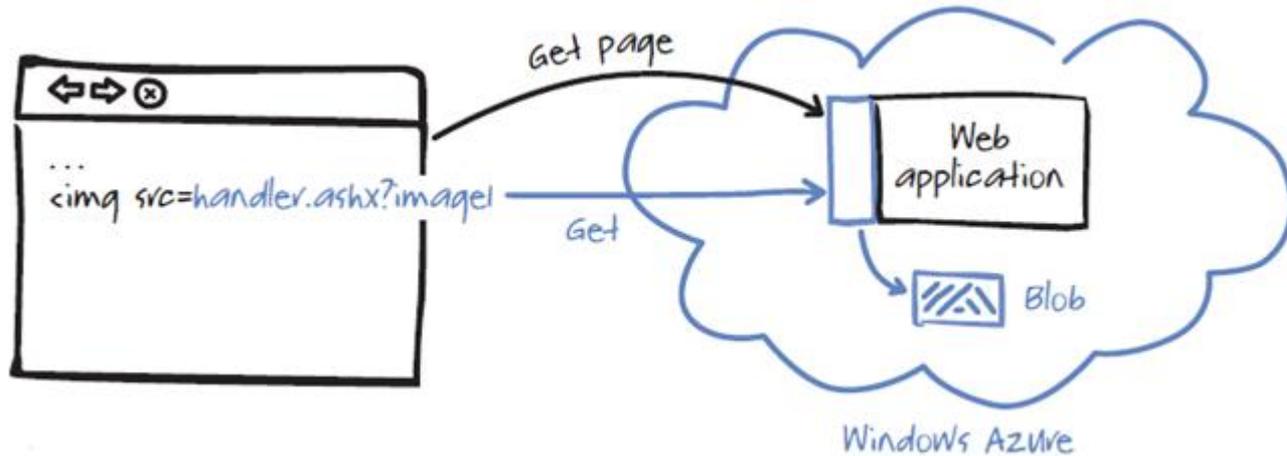
- .targeted at streaming workloads
- .each blob consists of a sequence of blocks
- .blocks are uploaded and separately committed
- .size limit 200GB per blob

blob access

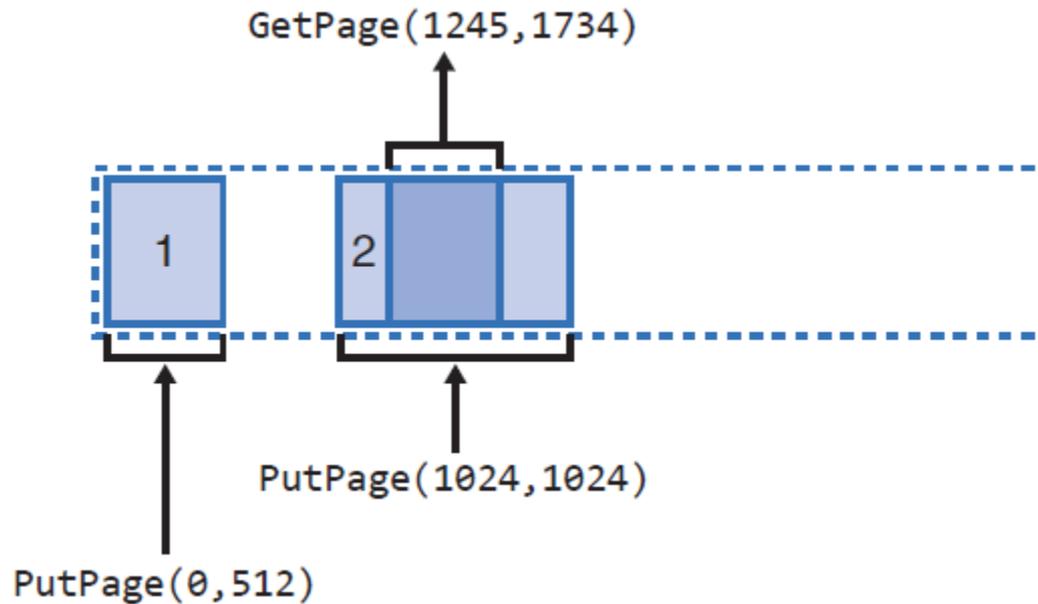
.Anonymous access for public downloadable and cacheable content



.Shared Access Signature (SAS) -> time limited, uniquely generated URLs

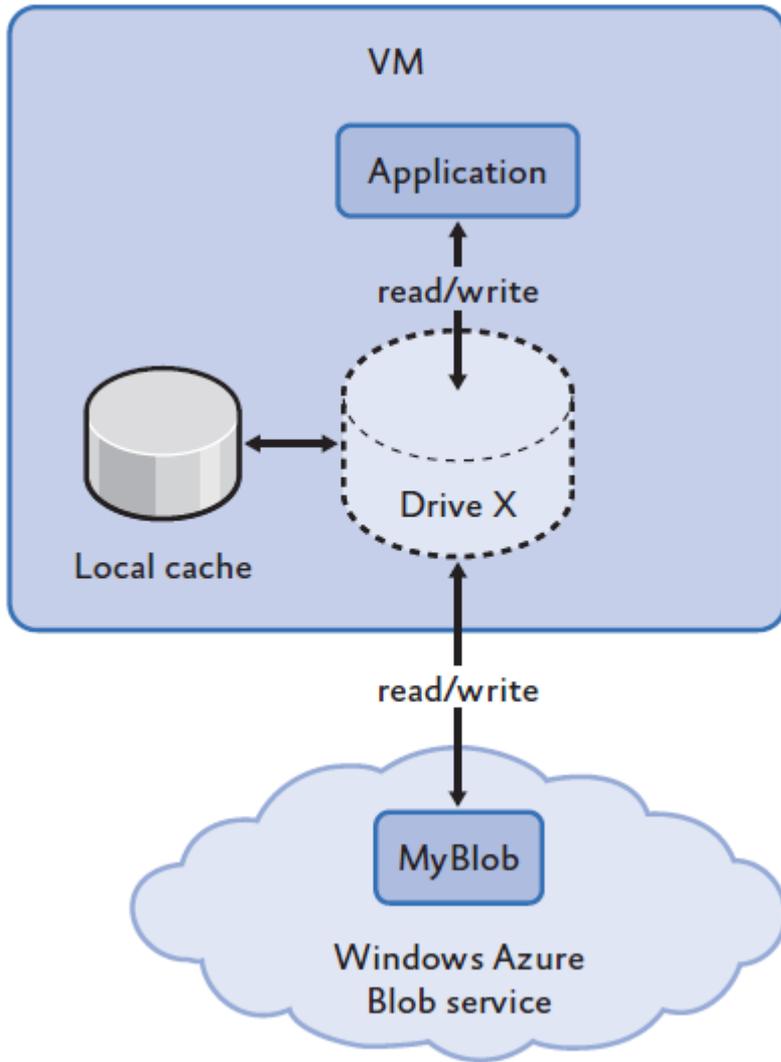


page blob



- .targeted at random read/write workloads
- .each blob consists of an array of pages
- .each page range write is committed on PUT
- .size limit 1TB per blob

drive



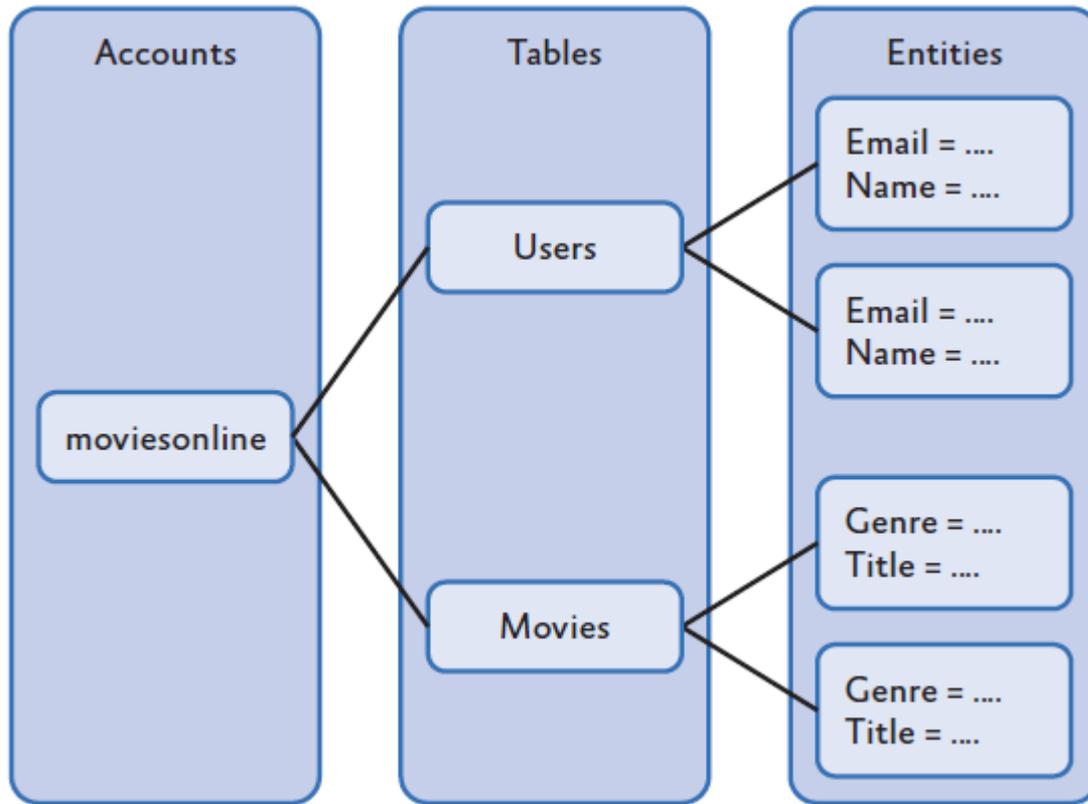
.provides a durable NTFS volume

.page blob mounted over the network as an NTFS drive

.accessed through existing NTFS APIs to access

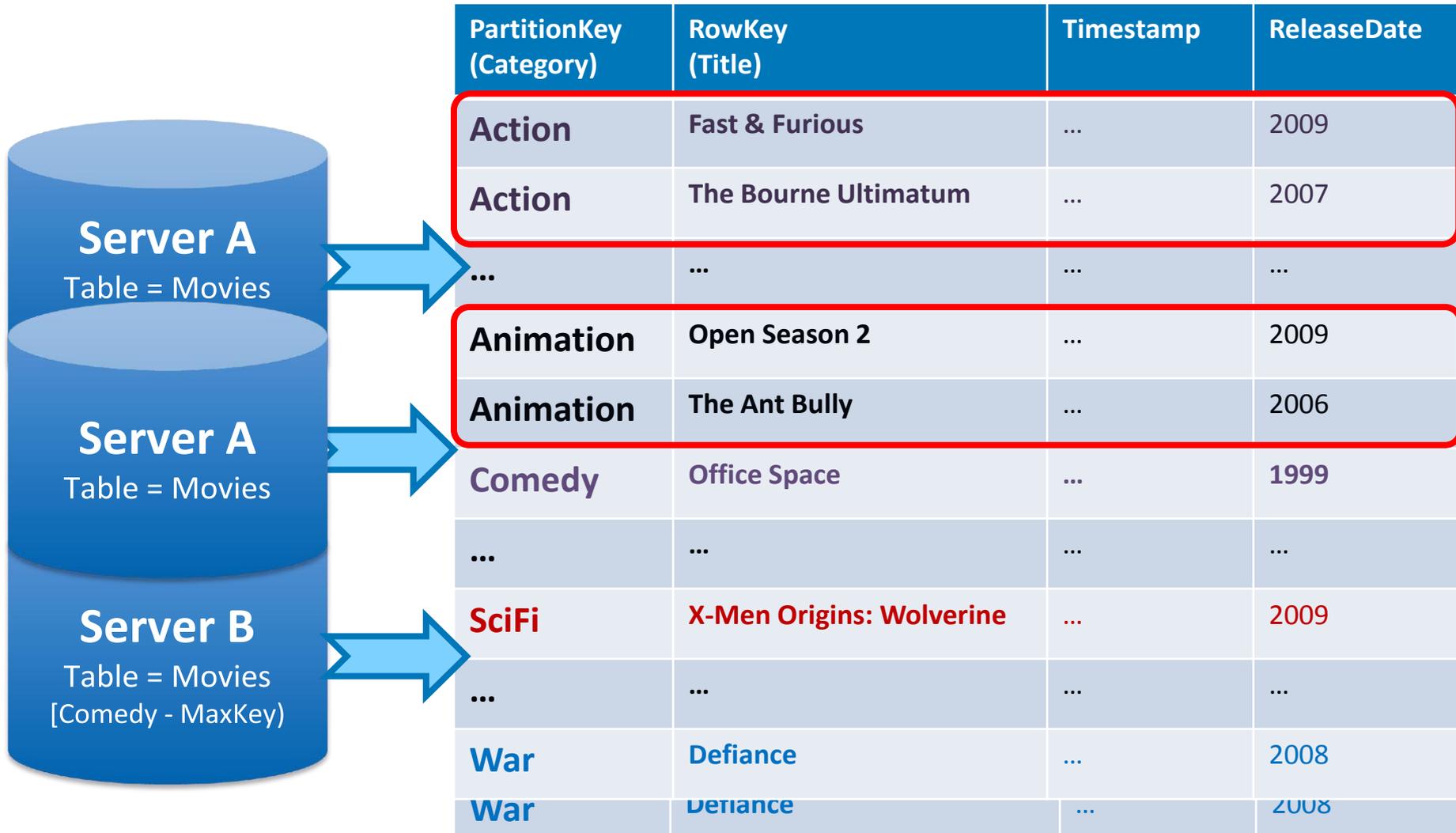
.local storage for cache to serve reads

tables

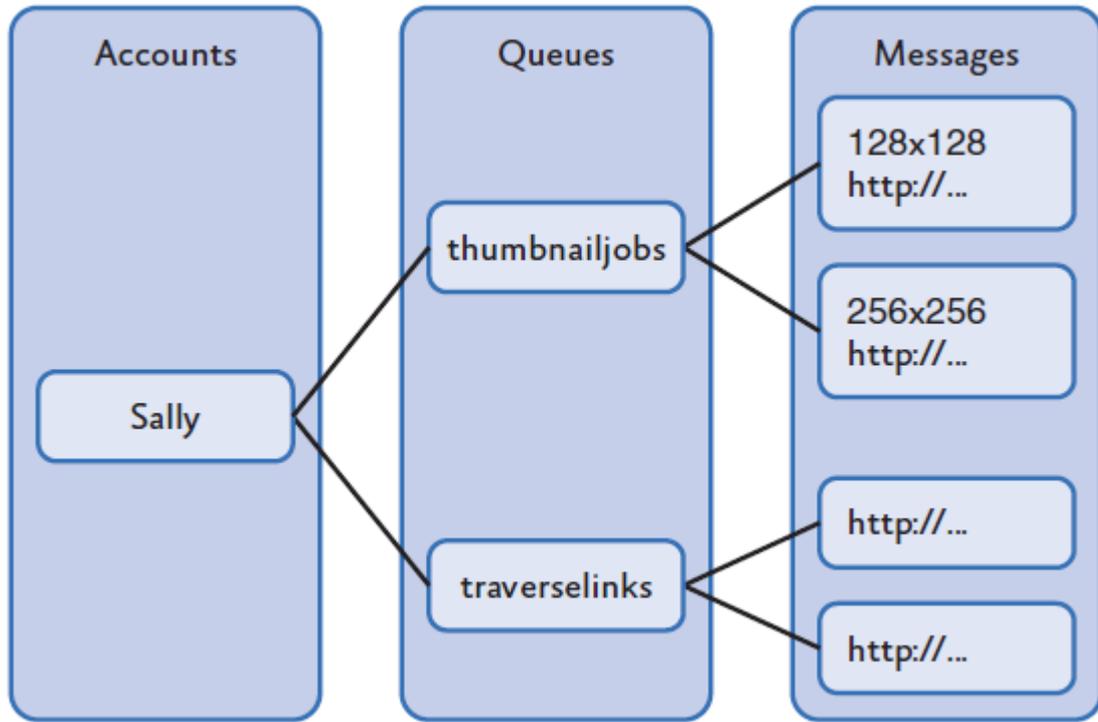


- .each entity can have up to 255 properties
- .each property is stored as a <name, typed value> pair
- .each entity requires a PartitionKey & RowKey
- .transactions within partitions only
- .no fixed schema
- .continuation token for query results > 1000 entries

partitions

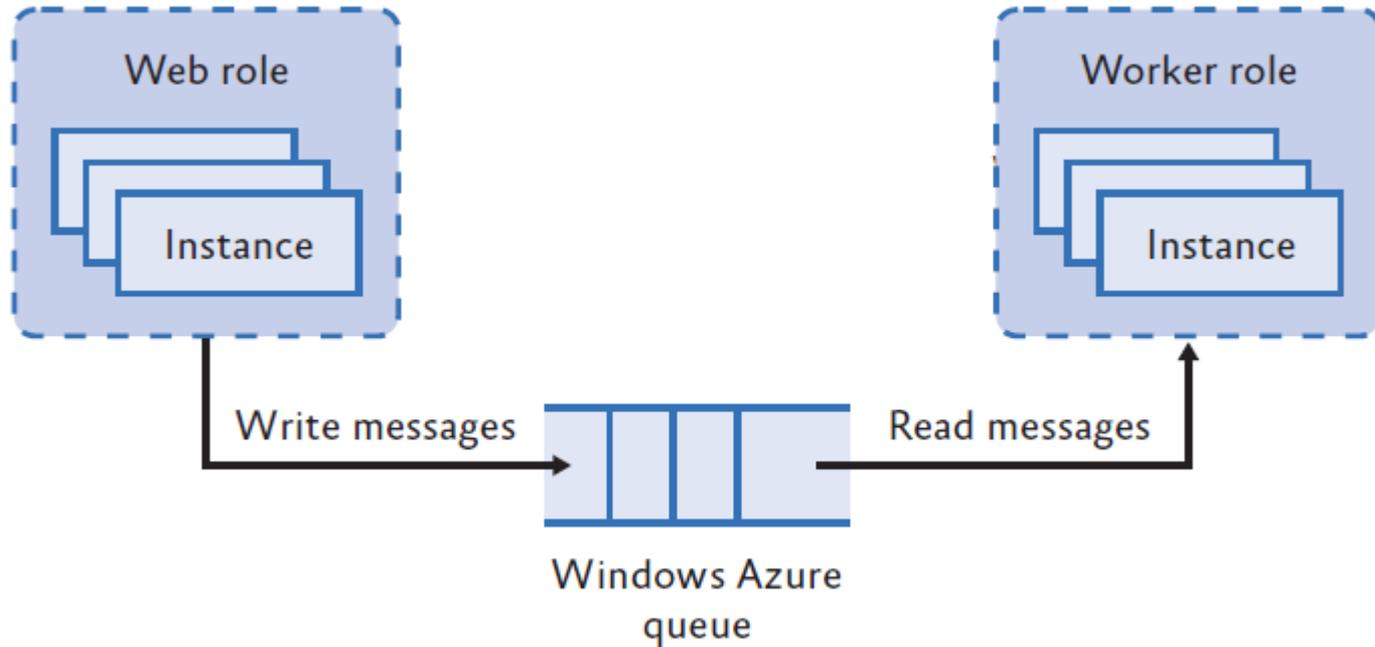


queues



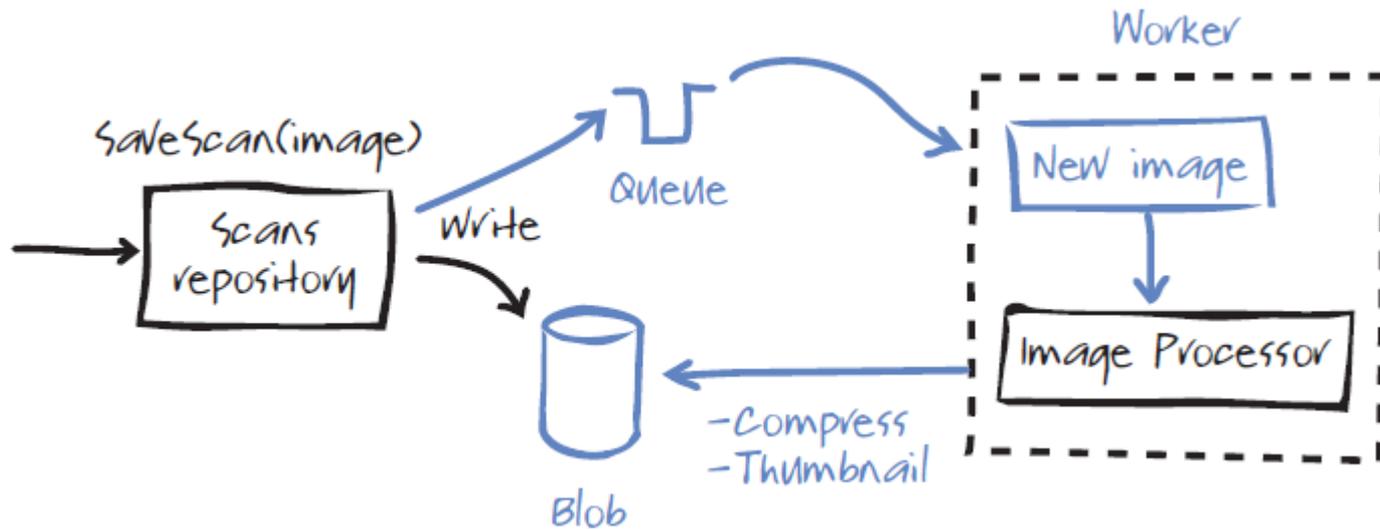
- .messages can be up to 8KB
- .many workers may consume the queue

working with queues



- .message placed in queue
- .worker de-queues message
- ...message is marked as invisible for a specified time
- ...worker deletes message when finished processing it
- .message may be processed more than once
- ...make message processing idempotent
- messages put into queue may be processed in any order

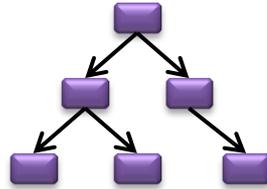
working with queues



.use blob to store large messages, store blob ref in message

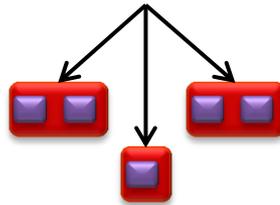
storage options

Azure Table



Structured Storage

Azure Blob



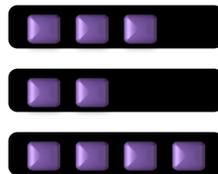
Unstructured Storage

Azure Drive



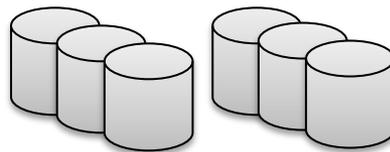
NTFS Drive

Azure Queue

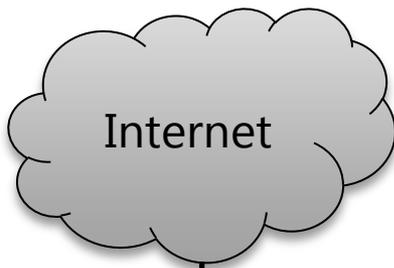


Service Communication

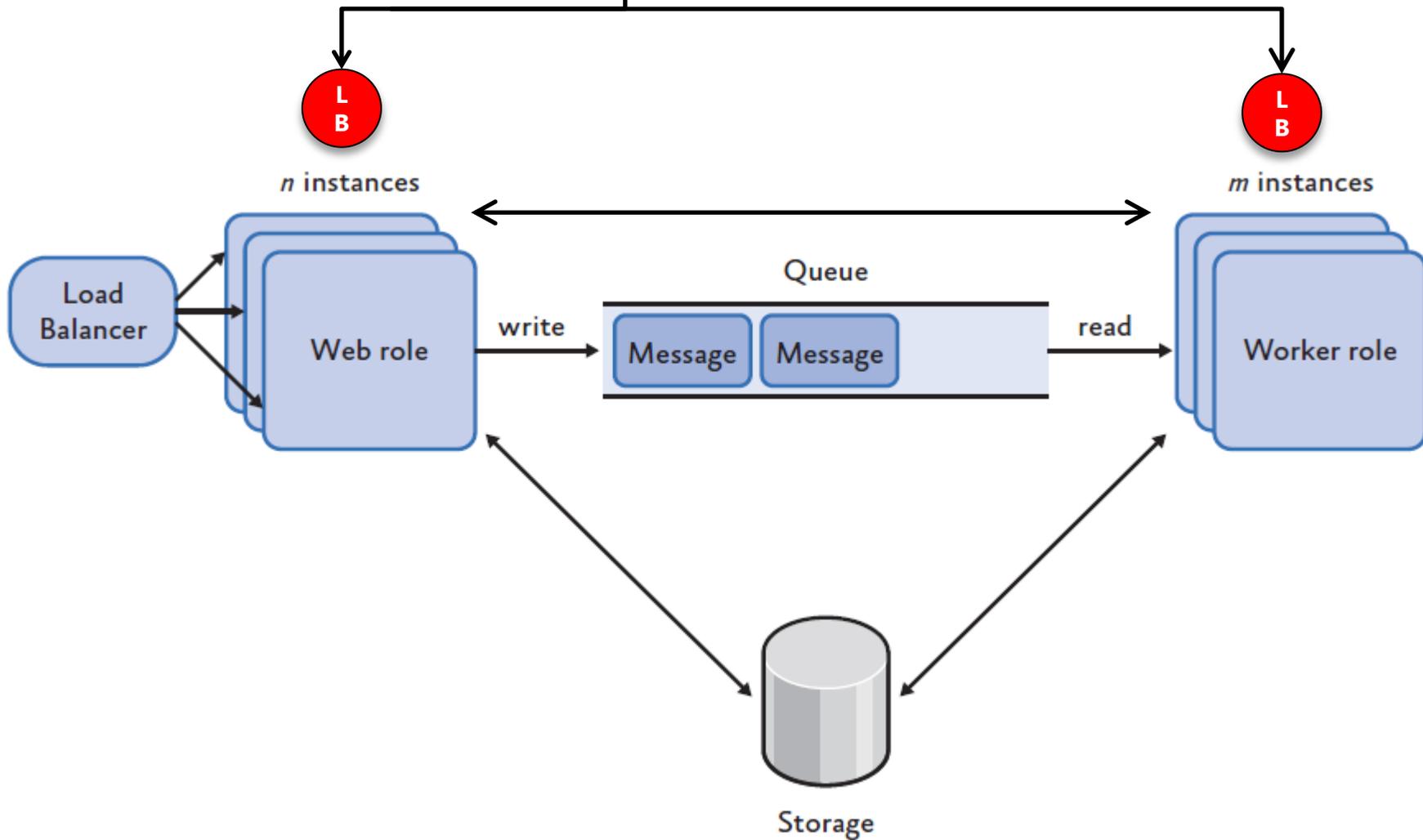
SQL Azure



Relational Database



topology



compute elasticity

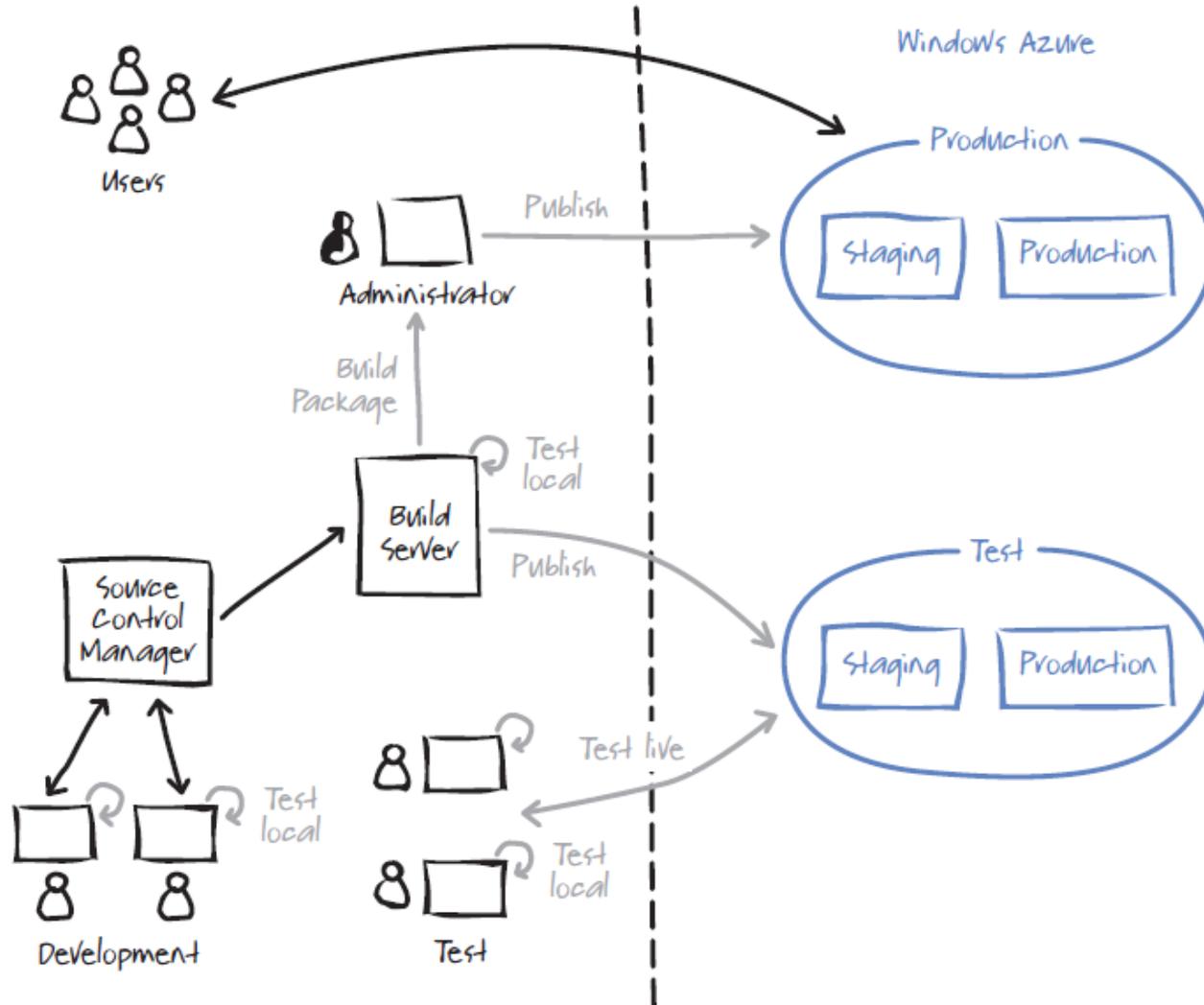
observe load

(CPU meter, queue size, IO capacity, ...)

vertical - adjust vm resources

horizontal - adjust # of instances

life cycle



pricing

Compute:

Per Service Hour

Starting at \$0.12/service hour +
Variable instance sizes

Storage

Per GB stored & transactions

Blob & table \$0.15 / GB

Storage Access = \$0.10 / 100K Transactions

Bandwidth

Per GB transfer in or out of a datacenter

US/EU Bandwidth = \$0.10 in / \$0.15 out / GB

Asia Pacific = \$0.30 in / \$0.45 out / GB

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<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ff966499.aspx>

conclusion

platform as a service.
familiar and open.
symmetric.

go to sitecore session @ JA00

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