

# PaaS To The Future!

Modern AI First Architectures on Azure



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# Applications of the Future (Present ? 🤔)

- System of collaborating Agents
- Natural Language Interaction (Spoken and Written)
- Classical UI will be secondary



Home



Agents



Flows



Tools



# What would you like to build?

 Agent

 Workflow

Start building by describing what your agent needs to do



## Start building from scratch



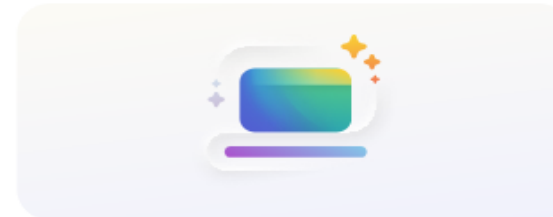
### Create workflow

Powerful automations speed up your processes with ease and security in mind



### Create an agent

Flexible solutions that take action, share knowledge, and handle tasks



### Create computer-using agent

Let agents accomplish even more across apps and websites

## Recent agents

[See more](#)

# AI, Just a Trend?



- Mobile First
- Cloud Native
- DevOps
- Security First



- Semantic Web (the old Web3)
- Standard Web Services(SOAP & WSDL)
- Big Data



# The Power of PaaS & AI

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# In this Session

- AI-First Shift
- Azure PaaS & Azure AI Services
- Practical Example: Intelligent Customer Support App
- Best Practices and Considerations

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# AI First Shift

## AI First?

- *“SaaS is dead, the future is AI agents.”* – Satya Nadella
- Shifting from: Traditional  
=> Enhanced => **AI-First**

# Traditional Business Logic Era

- Deterministic business logic
- Humans handling nuance
- Linear, well-defined workflows

# First Wave of AI



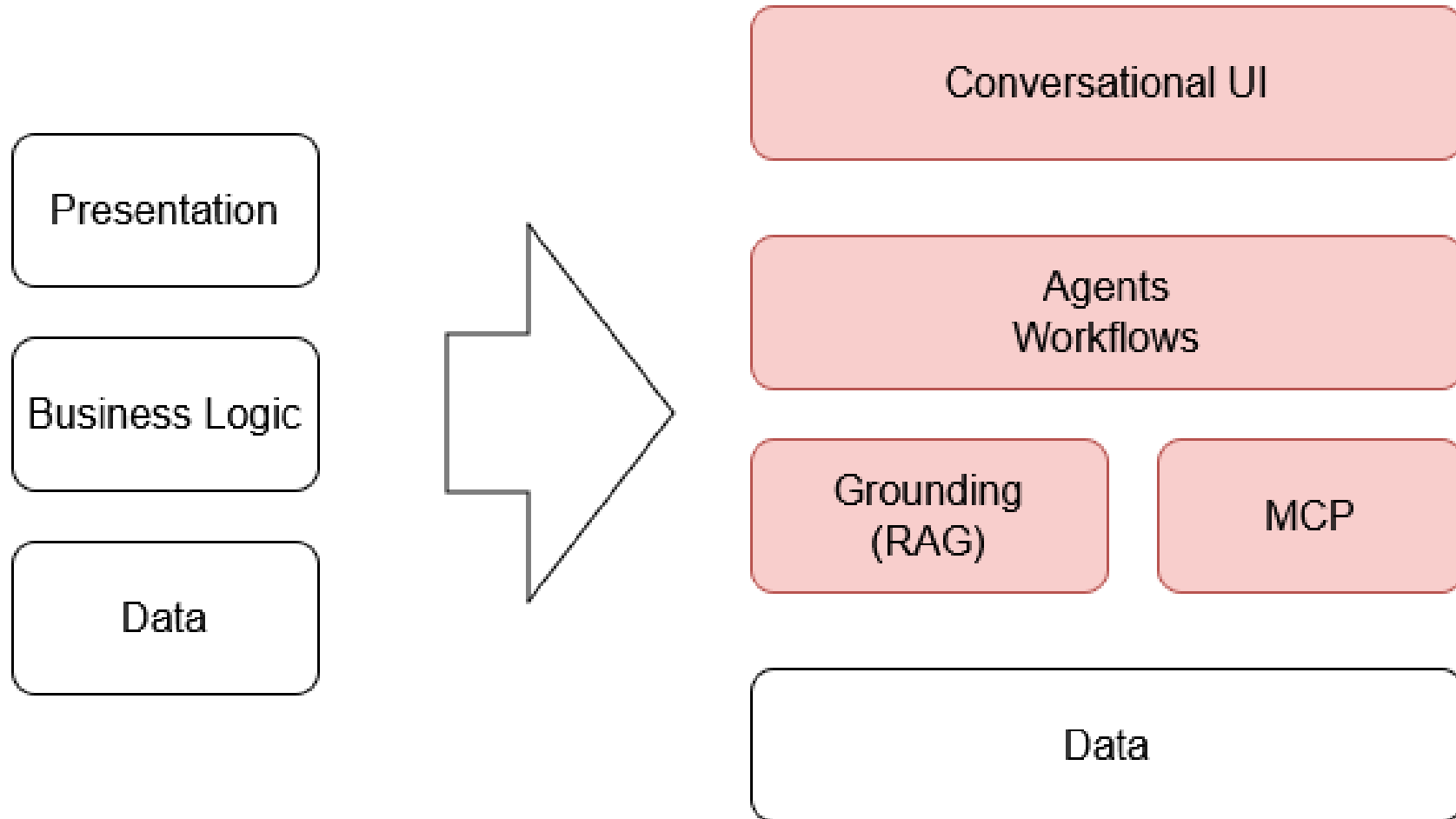
# Large Language Models and GenAI

- Multi-Modal Interactions
- Understands what I ask
- Leverages Custom Knowledge Bases

# Agents & Agents Workflows

- Determining Actions
- Taking Actions
- Agents Can Collaborate

# Architecture Then vs Now



# Designing with AI as a Core Actor

- How do we design human supervision?
- How do agents operate autonomously?
- How do we ensure safety, compliance, and ethics?

# AI Agents as First-Class Citizens

- *“Creating agents should become as common as creating spreadsheets”*
- Azure is positioned to provide the capabilities to achieve this

# Azure PaaS & Azure AI Overview

# Microsoft AI Services Landscape



**Agent Builder**  
(no-code)



**Copilot Studio**  
(low-code)

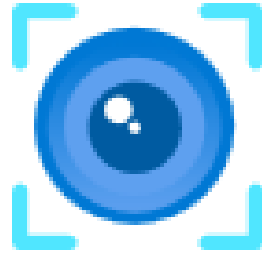


**Microsoft Foundry**  
(pro-code)



**Azure ML**  
(pro-code  
+ Machine Learning)

# Microsoft Foundry & Cognitive Services



Vision



Content Safety



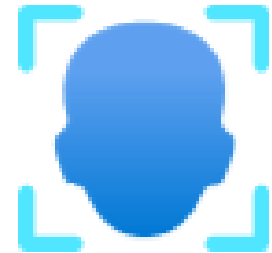
Document Intelligence



Speech





OpenAI



Face Recognition

# Platform as a Service

-  Decrease Operations Engineering Load
-  Operations engineering concerns remains to address

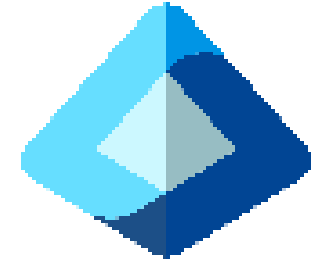
# Azure PaaS Services



Azure Function



Web App



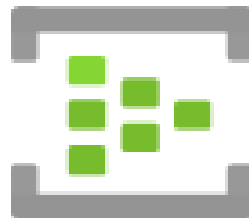
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Cosmos DB



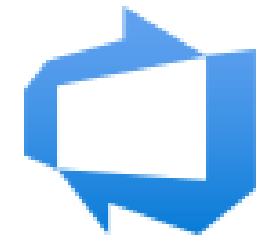
Redis Cache



Event Hub

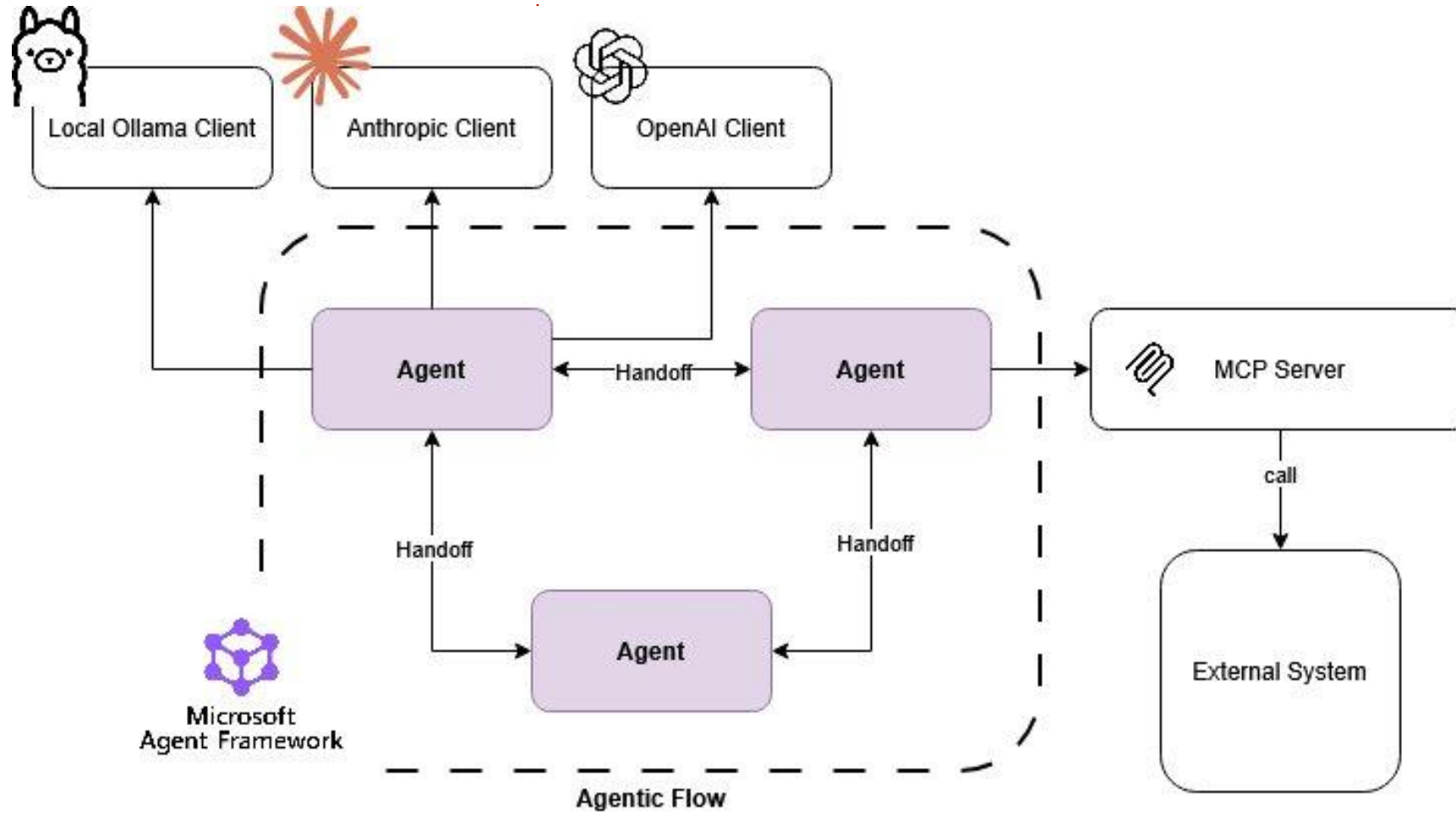


Service Bus



Azure DevOps

# Microsoft Agent Framework



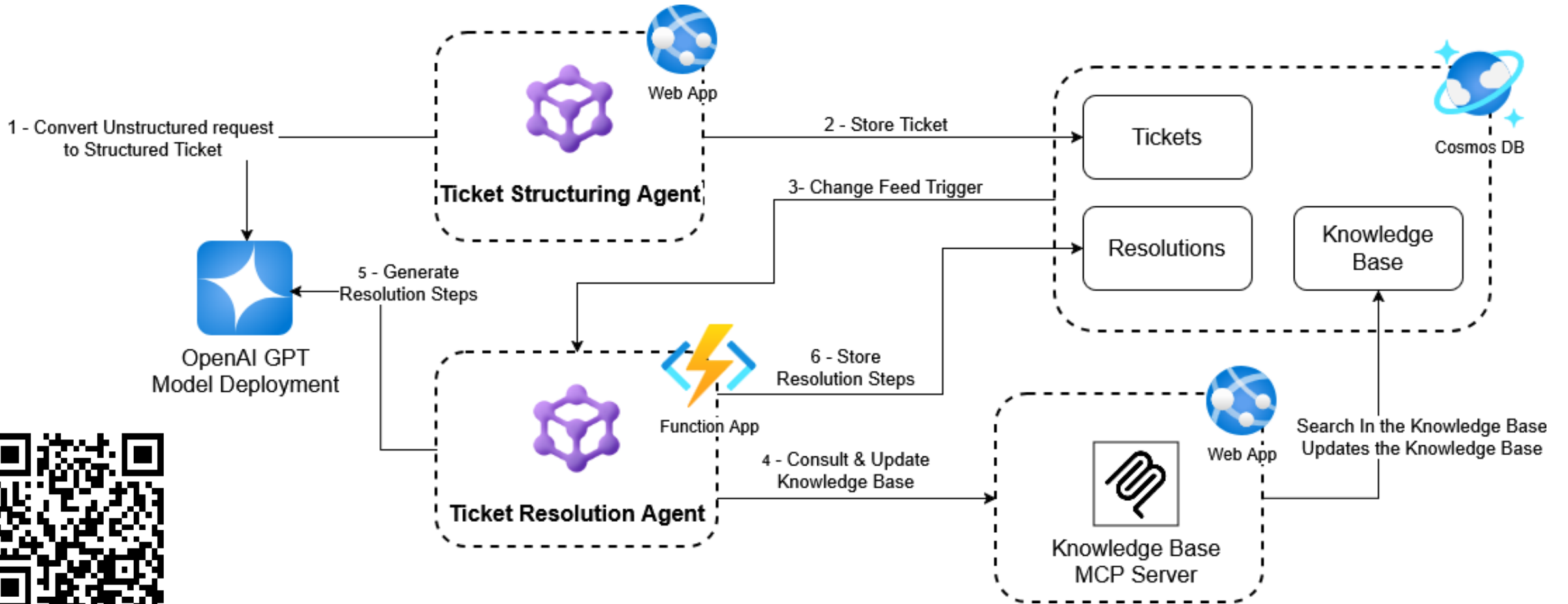
# One cloud, many services, zero friction


- Governance
- Security
- Scalability
- Cost control
- Time-to-market
- Maintainability
- Managed Identity
- VNET Integration
- Unified Monitoring & Observability
- SDK Consistency

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# **Practical Example: Intelligent Customer Support App**

# Demo Flow



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# **Best Practices and Considerations**

# Do The Right Thing

- Keep It Simple
- Focus on what requires AI

# Context Engineering

- Very Powerful
- Requires Structure, Clarity and Specificity
- Supercharge with RAG, MCP and SKILLS
- Keep Fine Tuning for Exceptional Cases

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1 ---
2 description: ' Azure Verified Modules (AVM) and Terraform'
3 applyTo: '**/*.terraform, **/*.tf, **/*.tfvars, **/*.tfstate, **/*.tflint.
4 hcl, **/*.tf.json, **/*.tfvars.json'
5 ---
6 # Azure Verified Modules (AVM) Terraform
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8 ## Overview
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10 Azure Verified Modules (AVM) are pre-built, tested, and validated Terraform
11 and Bicep modules that follow Azure best practices. Use these modules to
12 create, update, or review Azure Infrastructure as Code (IaC) with
13 confidence.
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15 ## Custom Instructions for GitHub Copilot Agents
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17 **IMPORTANT**: When GitHub Copilot Agent or GitHub Copilot Coding Agent is
18 working on this repository, the following local unit tests MUST be executed
19 to comply with PR checks. Failure to run these tests will cause PR
20 validation failures:
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22 ```bash
23 ./avm pre-commit
24 ./avm tflint
25 ./avm pr-check
26 ```
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28 These commands must be run before any pull request is created or updated to
29 ensure compliance with the Azure Verified Modules standards and prevent CI/
30 CD pipeline failures.
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32 More details on the AVM process can be found in the [Azure Verified Modules
33 Contribution documentation](https://azure.github.io/Azure-Verified-Modules/
34 contributing/terraform/testing/).
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36 **Failure to run these tests will cause PR validation failures and prevent
37 successful merges.**
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6 # Azure Verified Modules (AVM) Terraform
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8 ## Module Discovery
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10 ### Terraform Registry
11
12 - Search for "avm" + resource name
13 - Filter by "Partner" tag to find official AVM modules
14 - Example: Search "avm storage account" → filter by Partner
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16 ### Official AVM Index
17
18 > **Note** The following links always point to the latest version of the
19 CSV files on the main branch. As intended, this means the files may change
20 over time. If you require a point-in-time version, consider using a
21 specific release tag in the URL.
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23 - **Terraform Resource Modules**: `https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Azure/
24 Azure-Verified-Modules/refs/heads/main/docs/static/module-indexes/
25 TerraformResourceModules.csv`
26 - **Terraform Pattern Modules**: `https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Azure/
27 Azure-Verified-Modules/refs/heads/main/docs/static/module-indexes/
28 TerraformPatternModules.csv`
29 - **Terraform Utility Modules**: `https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Azure/
30 Azure-Verified-Modules/refs/heads/main/docs/static/module-indexes/
31 TerraformUtilityModules.csv`
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33 ## Terraform Module Usage
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35 ### From Examples
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37 1. Copy the example code from the module documentation
38 2. Replace `source = "../../"` with `source = "Azure/avm-res-{service}-
39 {resource}/azurerem"`
40 3. Add `version = "~> 1.0"` (use latest available)
41 4. Set `enable_telemetry = true`
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# Responsible AI

- Accountability
- Transparency
- Reliability & Safety
- Privacy & Security
- Inclusiveness
- Fairness
- Agent Identity
- Model Evaluation
- Content Safety
- Guardrails
- AI Gateway
- Microsoft Purview

# **PaaS Scalability Patterns for LLM Workloads**

- Stateless Frontends and Backends
- Event Driven Architecture
- Async Processing

# Key Takeaways

- AI First
- Azure is Ready
- Azure helps you focus on business Value

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**Thank You !  
Questions ?**