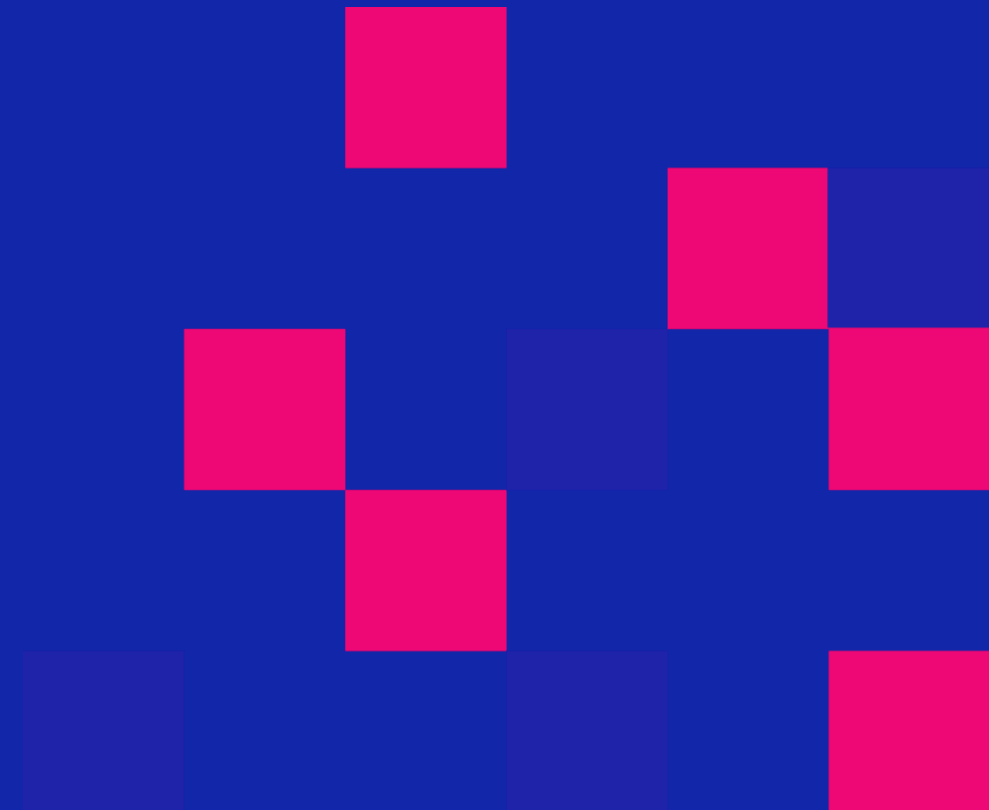


DAPR and .NET Aspire

A royal wedding

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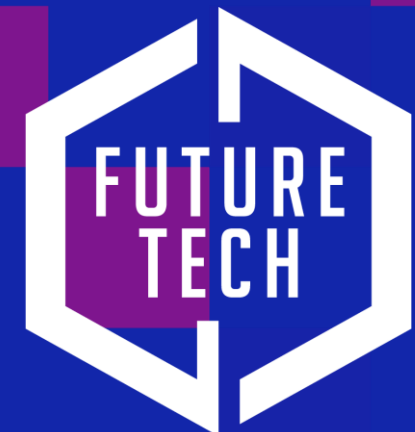
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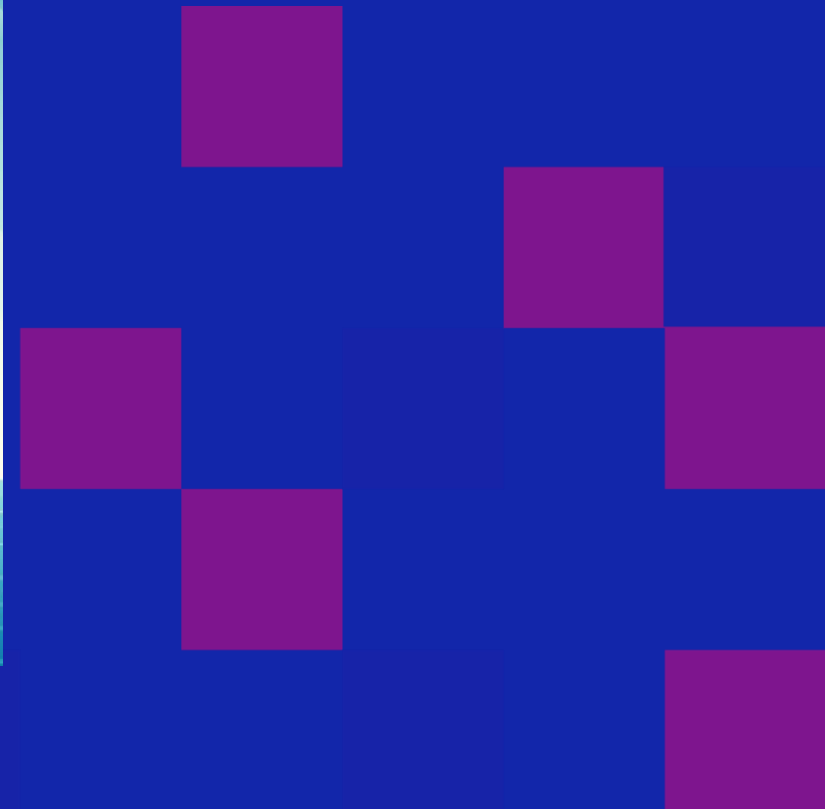
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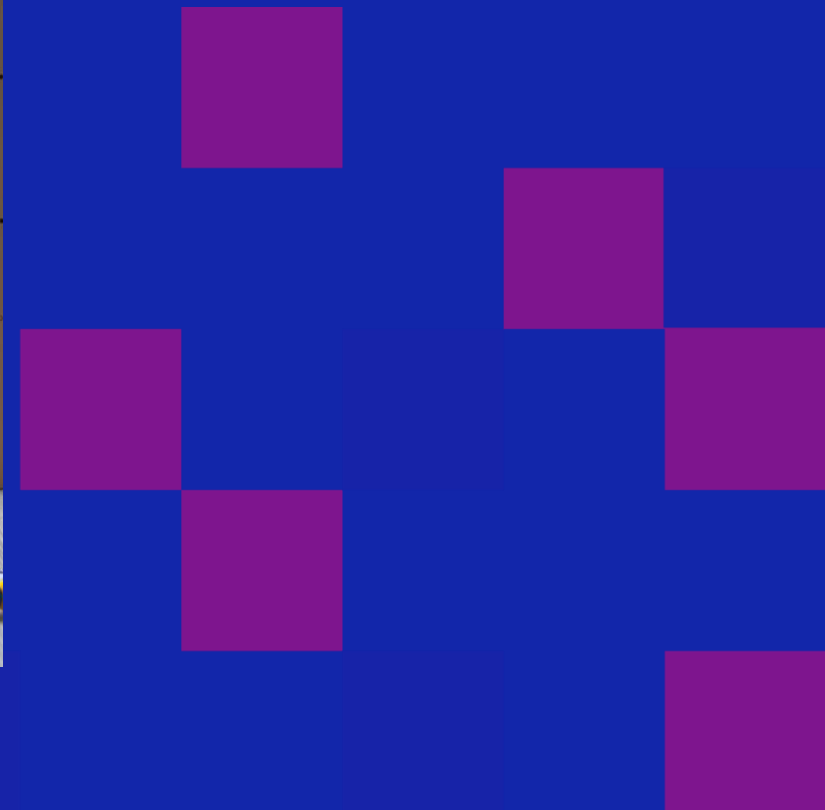
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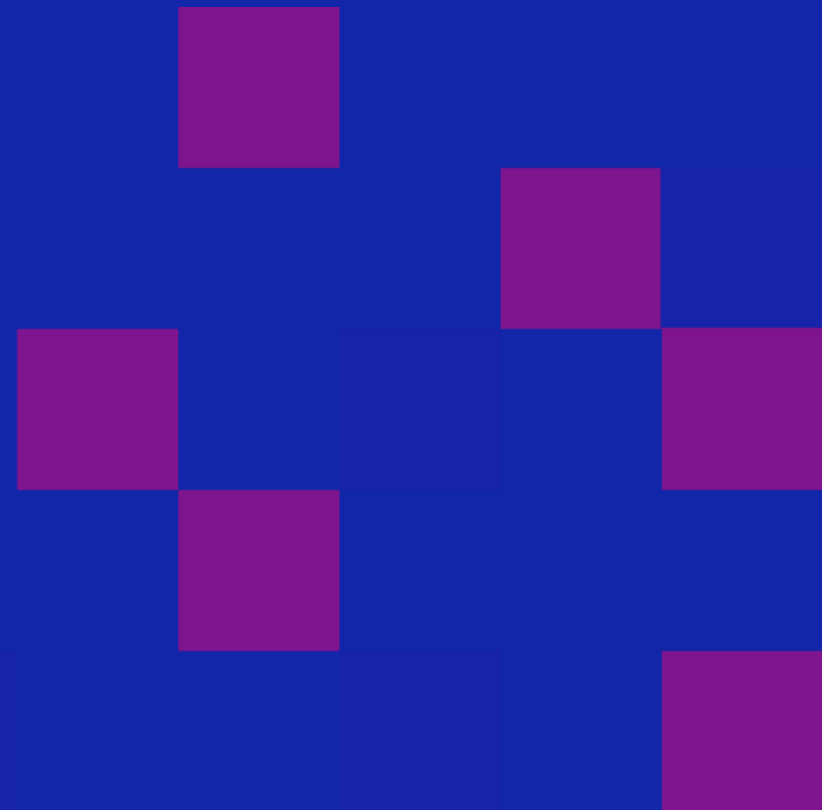
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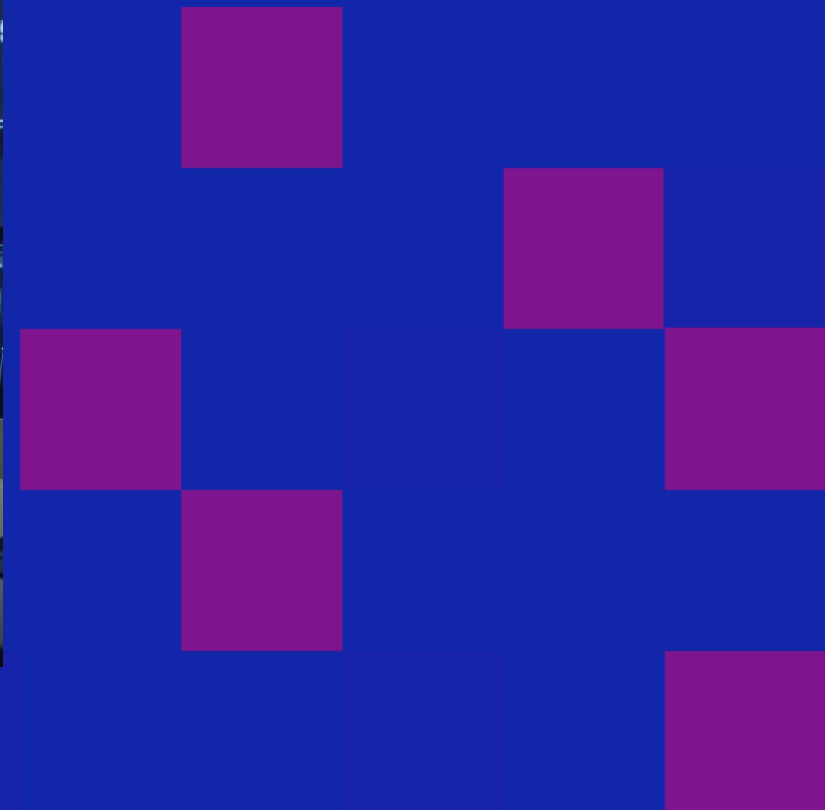
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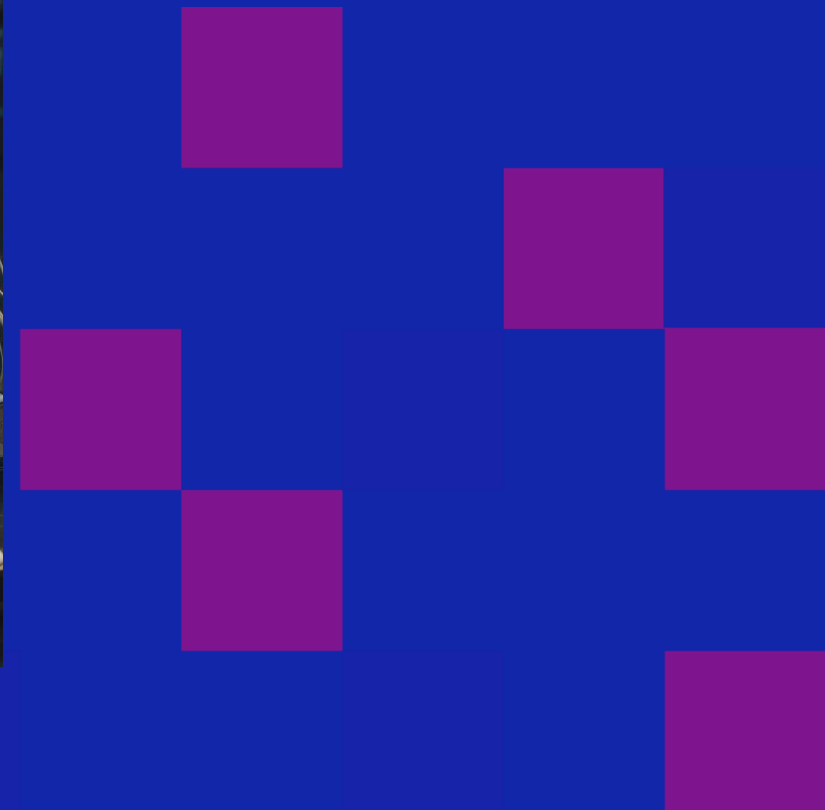
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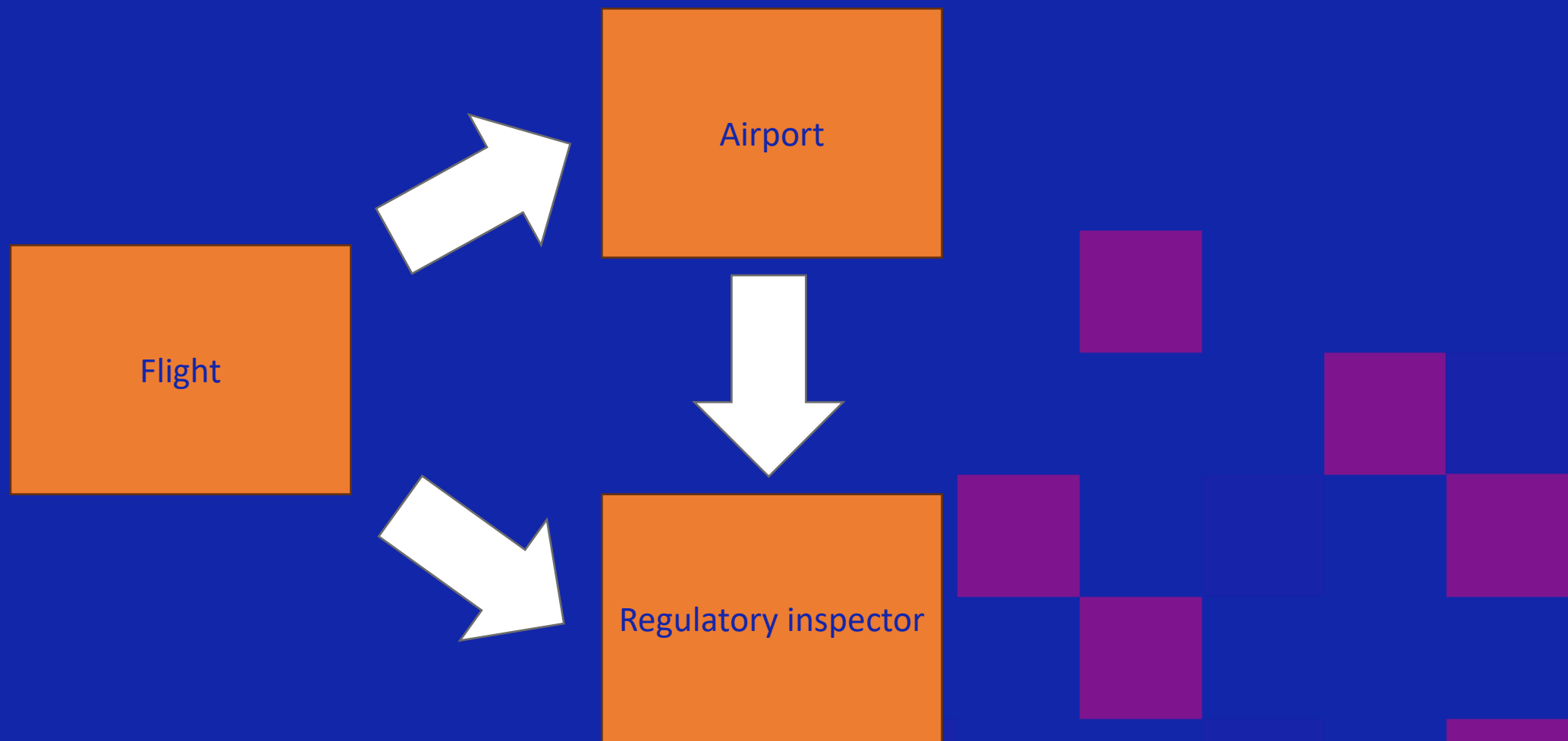
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The local dev environment is important too!



Our demo app



Introducing Dapr

- APIs for building **secure** and **reliable** microservices
- Serves as the **glue** between your services



Dapr goals



Provide an integrated set of APIs



Any language or framework



Includes best practices & standards



Platform agnostic

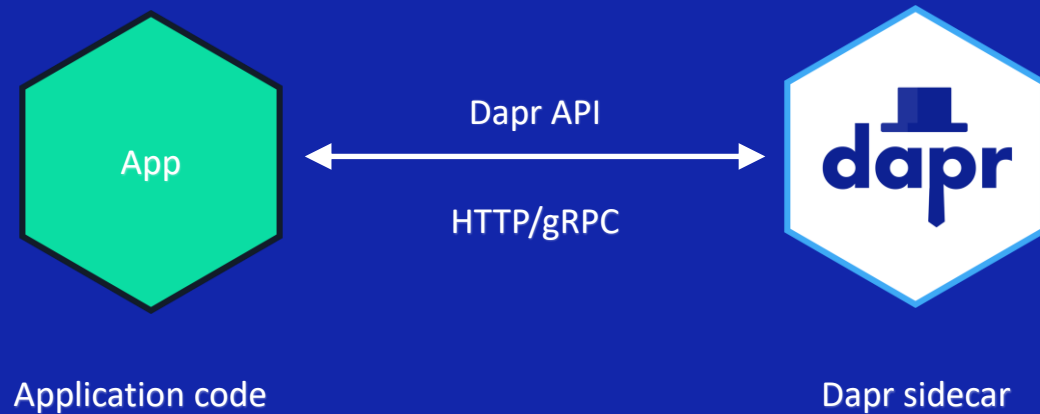


Extensible and pluggable



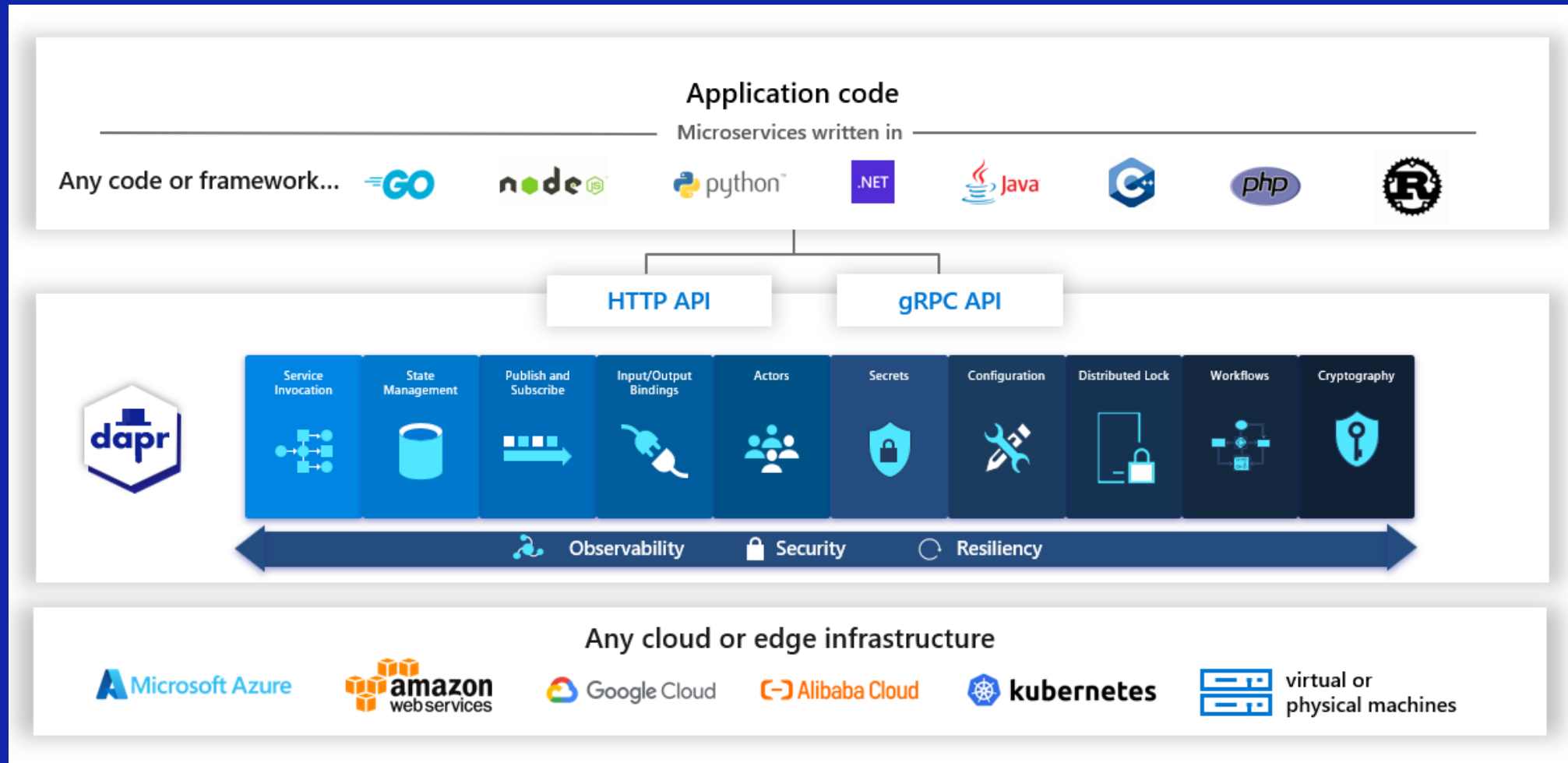
Community driven, vendor neutral

Sidecar architecture

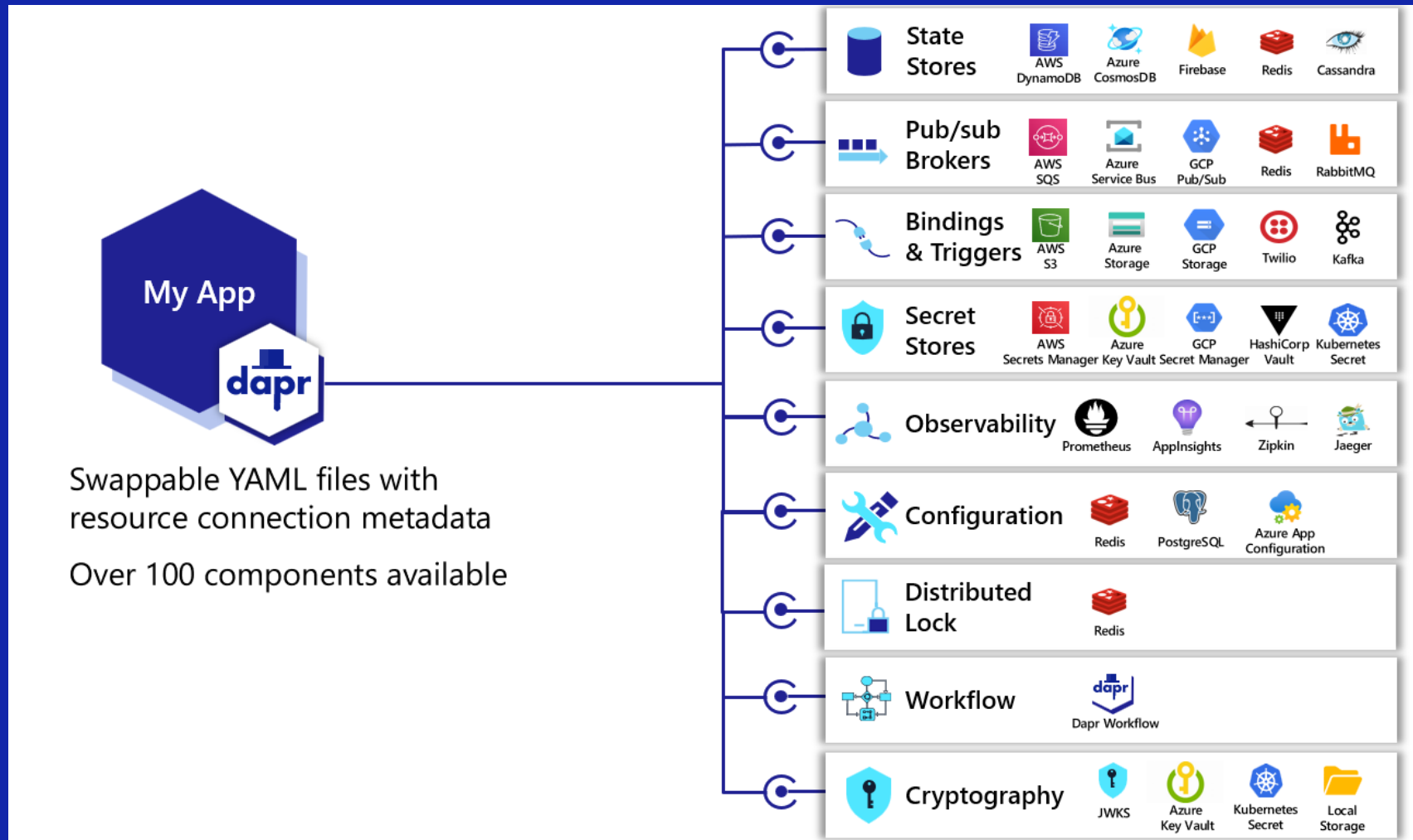


- POST** `http://localhost:3500/v1.0/invoke/cart/method/order`
- GET** `http://localhost:3500/v1.0/state/inventory/item50`
- POST** `http://localhost:3500/v1.0/publish/mybroker/order-messages`
- GET** `http://localhost:3500/v1.0/secrets/vault/dbaccess`
- POST** `http://localhost:3500/v1.0-beta1/workflows/dapr/businessprocess/start`

The bigger picture

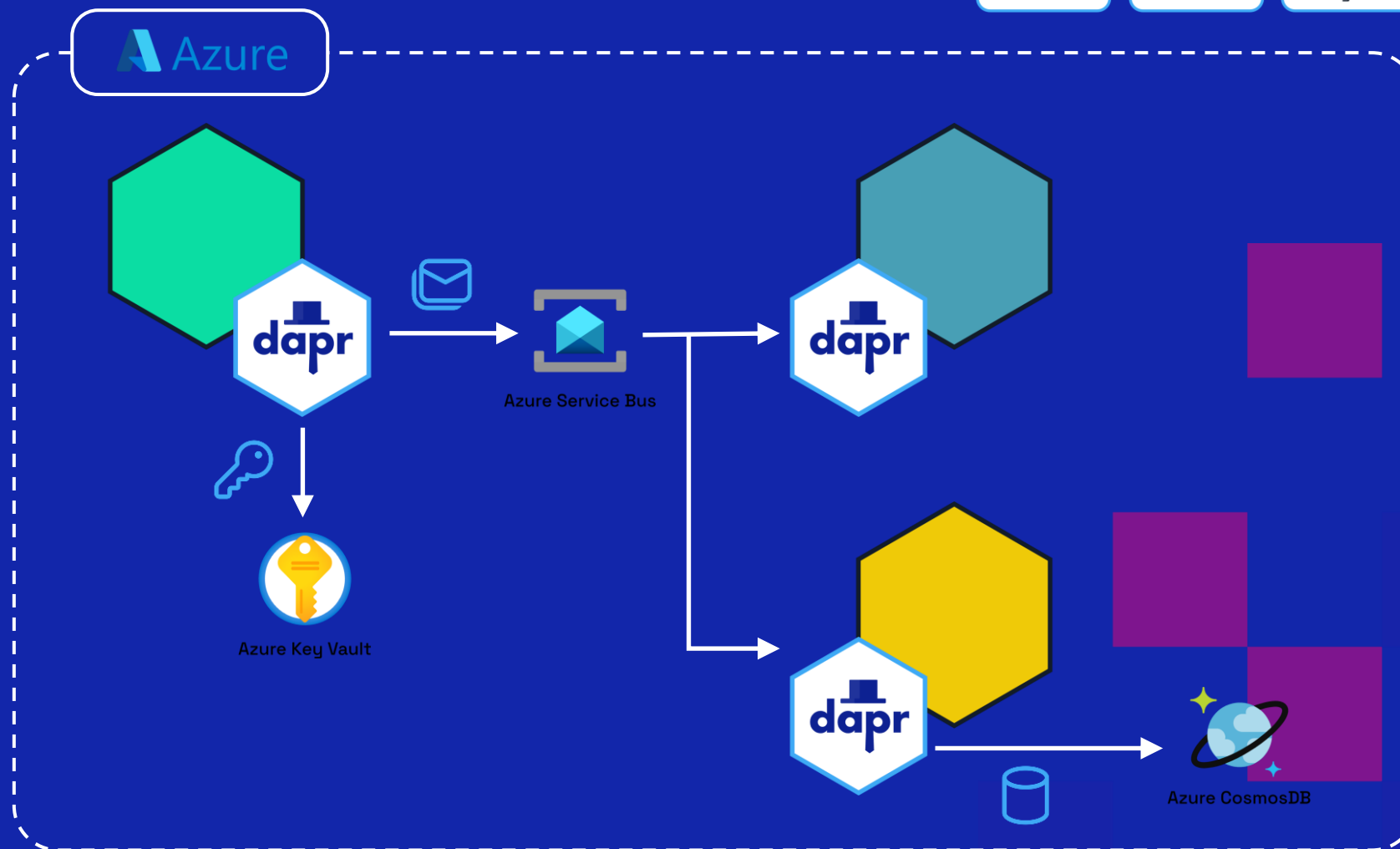


Swappable components

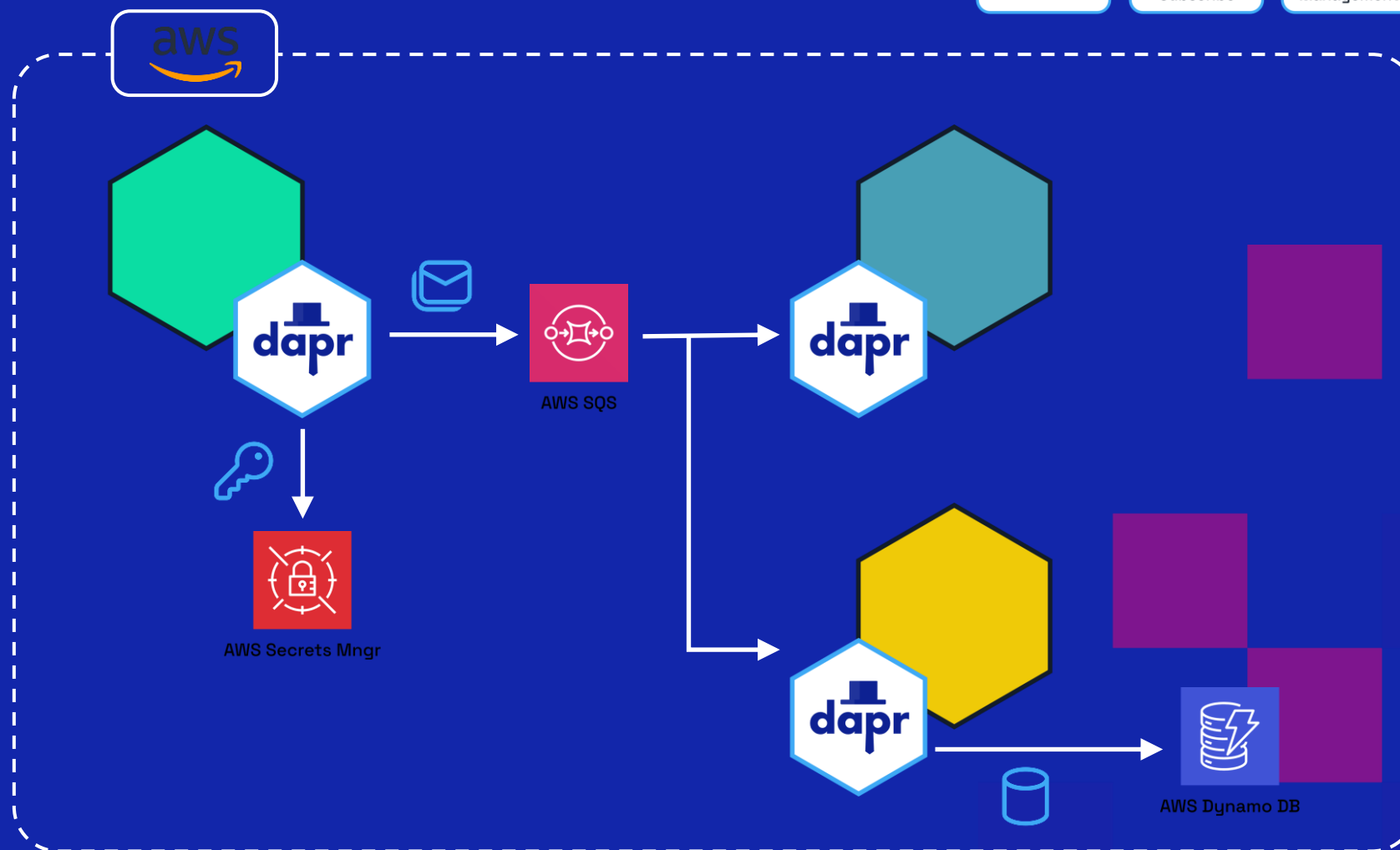
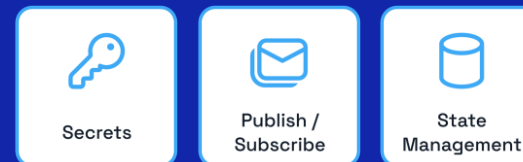


Swappable components (2)

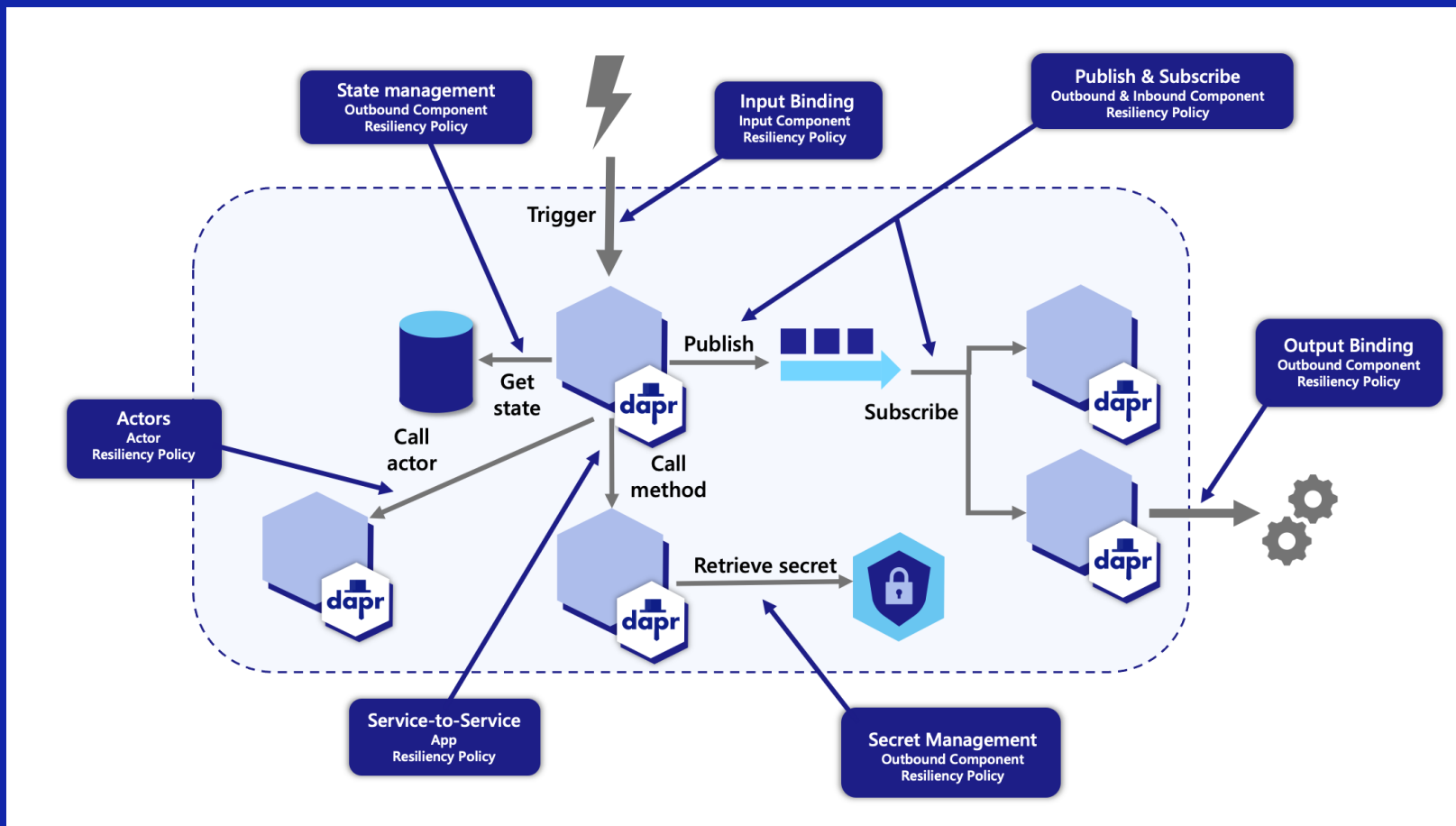
- Secrets
- Publish / Subscribe
- State Management



Swappable components (3)



Resiliency



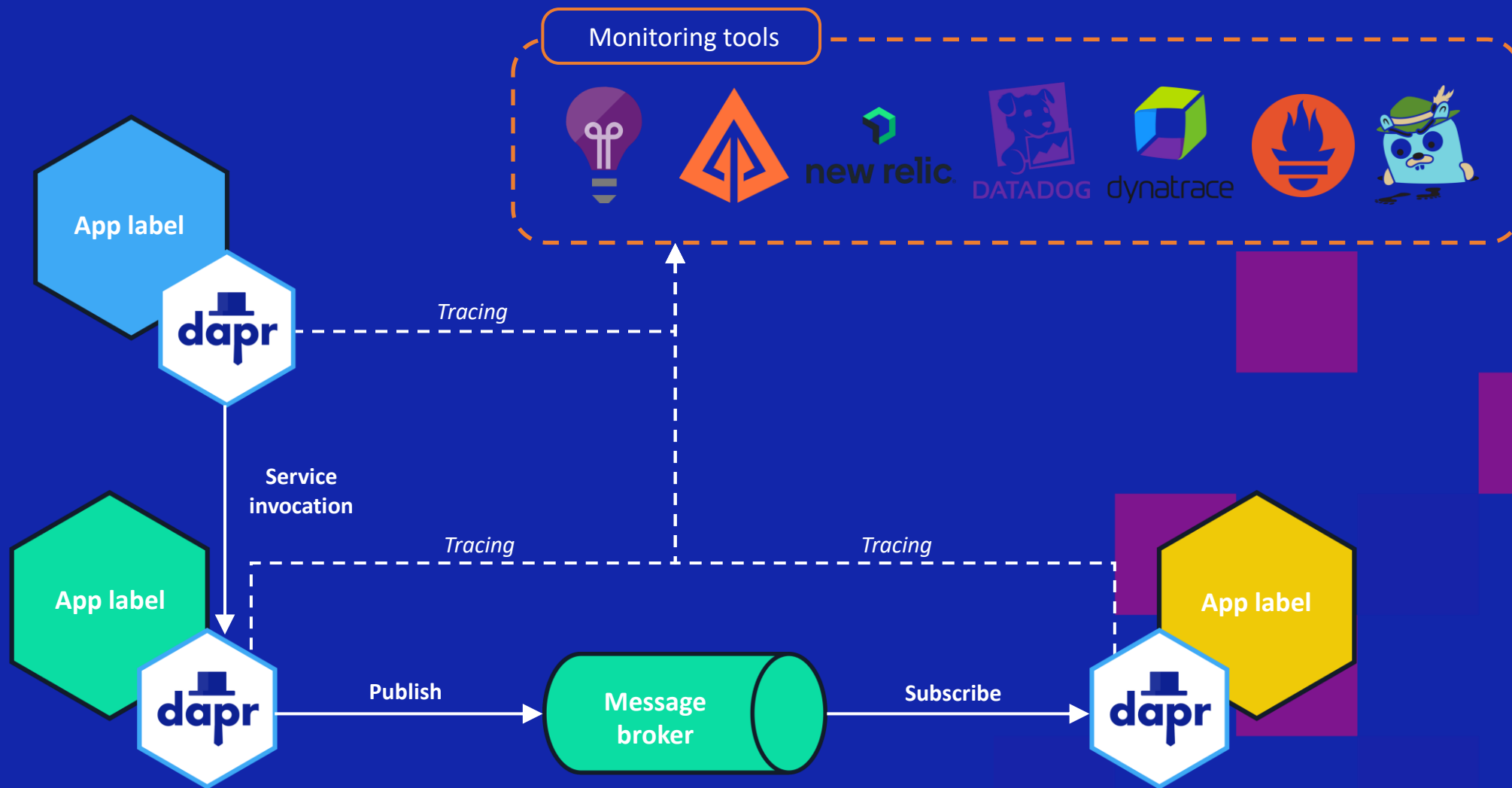
Resiliency (2)

```
apiVersion: dapr.io/v1alpha1
kind: Resiliency
metadata:
  name: myresiliency
# similar to subscription and configuration specs, scopes lists the Dapr App IDs that this
# resiliency spec can be used by.
scopes:
- app1
- app2
spec:
# policies is where timeouts, retries and circuit breaker policies are defined.
# each is given a name so they can be referred to from the targets section in the resiliency spec.
policies:
# timeouts are simple named durations.
timeouts:
  general: 5s
  important: 60s
  largeResponse: 10s

# retries are named templates for retry configurations and are instantiated for life of the operation.
retries:
  pubsubRetry:
    policy: constant
    duration: 5s
    maxRetries: 10

  retryForever:
    policy: exponential
    maxInterval: 15s
    maxRetries: -1 # retry indefinitely
```

Observability



Hosting modes



Self-hosted

Run `dapr init` to install Docker images.

Run any app with a Dapr side car using `dapr run`.



Virtual/Physical machines

Self-deploy Dapr control plane and Hashicorp Consul per machine.

Use the Dapr Installer Bundle for airgapped environments.

Run any app with a Dapr side car using `dapr run`.



Kubernetes

Run `dapr init -k` to install Dapr (or use Helm). Integrated Dapr control plane. Deploys placement, operator, sentry and injector pods.

Automatically injects a Dapr sidecar into all annotated pods.

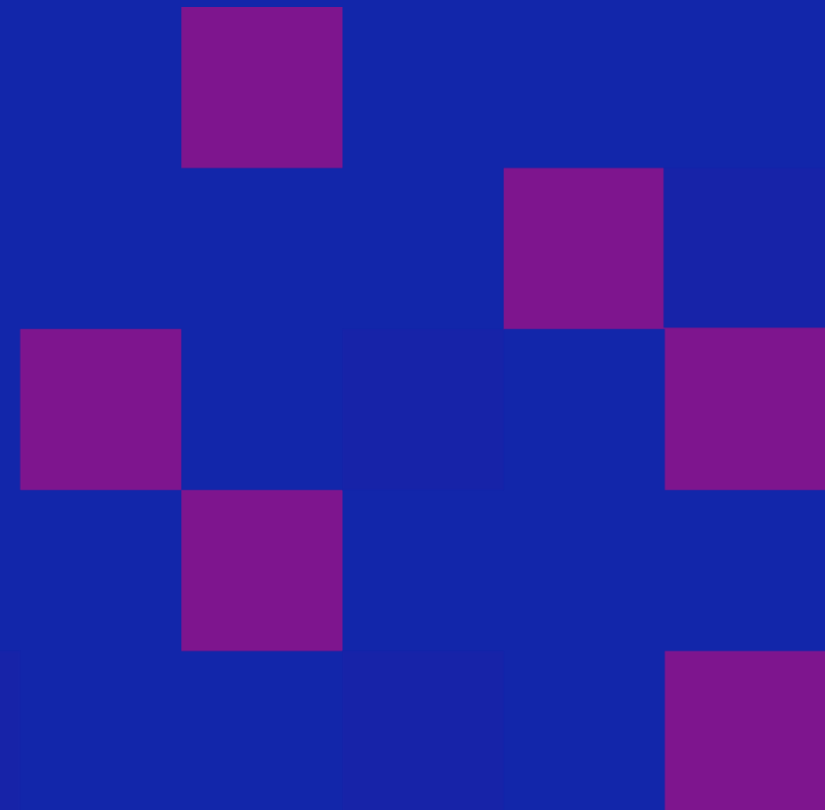
Hosting modes (2)



Serverless

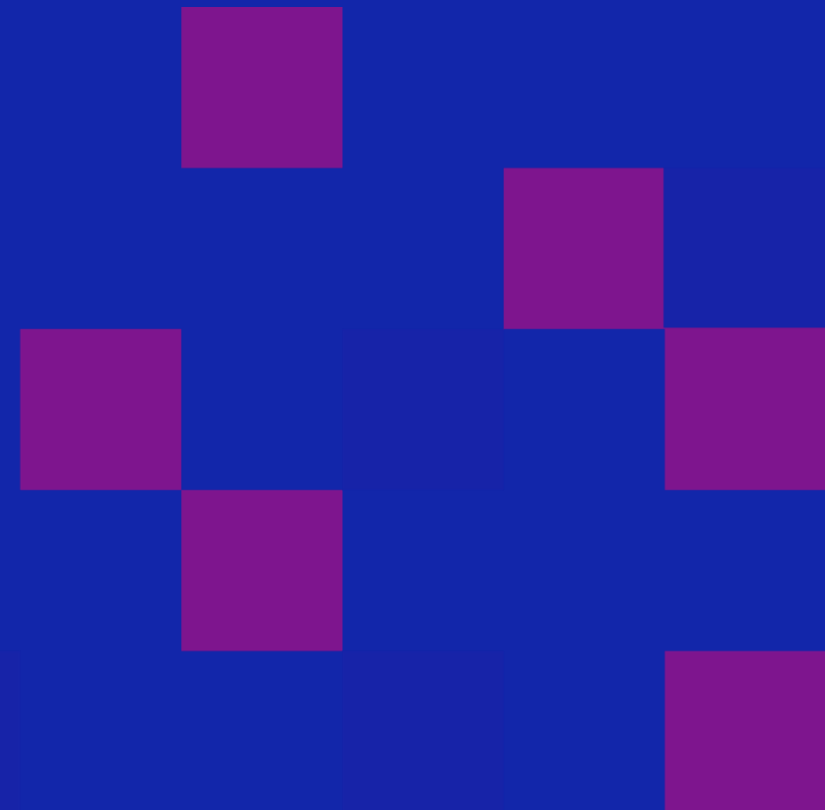
The Dapr side car is hosted by a provider.

You only manage your applications.



Dapr installation (dev machine)

- Prerequisite: Docker
- Installing the Dapr CLI
- Running *dapr init*

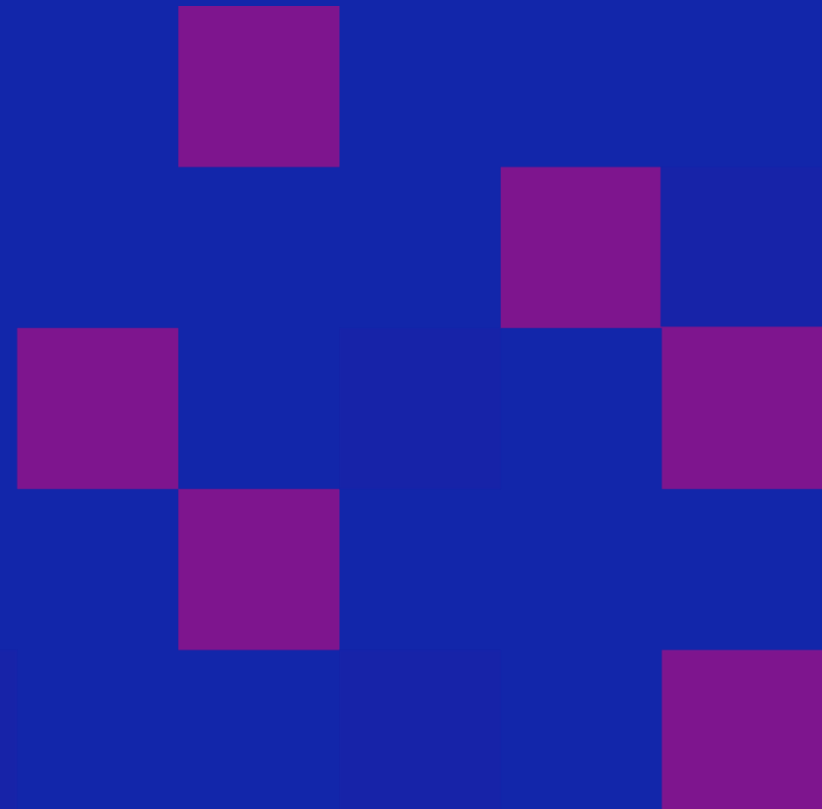


Dapr in Azure container apps

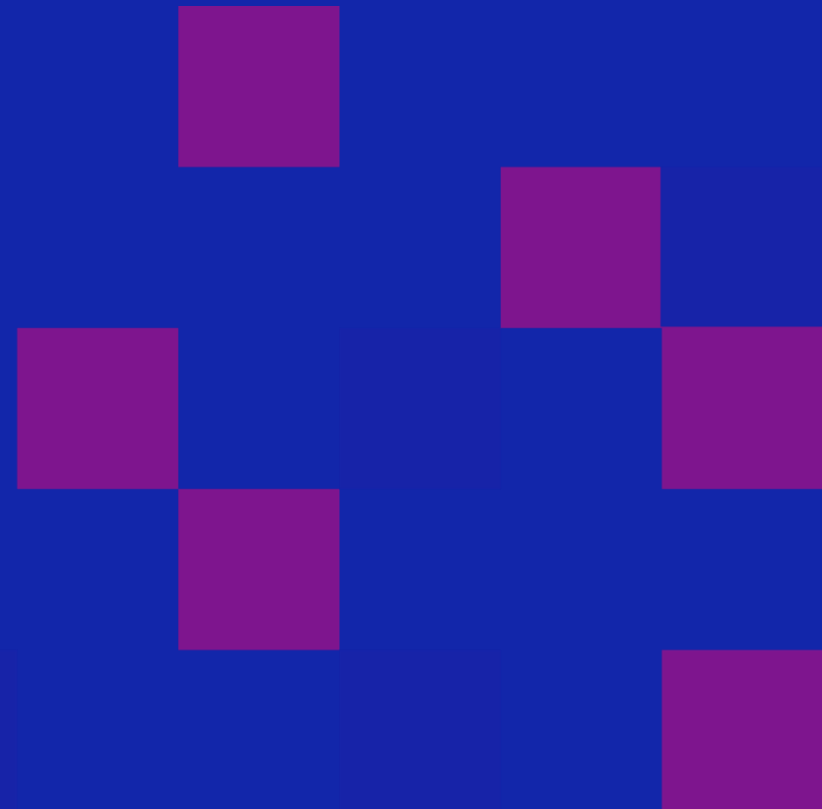
- No management required of control plane!
- Just deploy Dapr components via Azure Portal or Bicep

```
resource daprComponent 'Microsoft.App/managedEnvironments/daprComponents@2022-03-01' = {
  name: 'statestore'
  parent: environment
  properties: {
    componentType: 'state.azure.blobstorage'
    version: 'v1'
    metadata: [
      // Omitted to fit in slide.
    ]
    scopes: [
      'nodeapp'
    ]
  }
  dependsOn: [
    storageAccount
  ]
}
```

Demo: Run a Dapr app

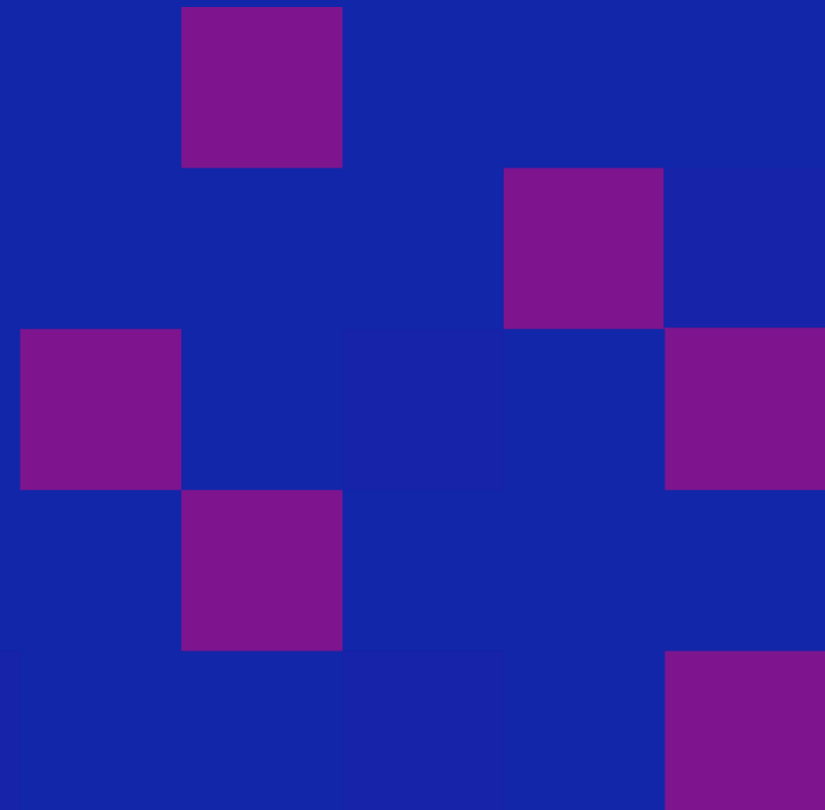


Demo: Dapr sidekick



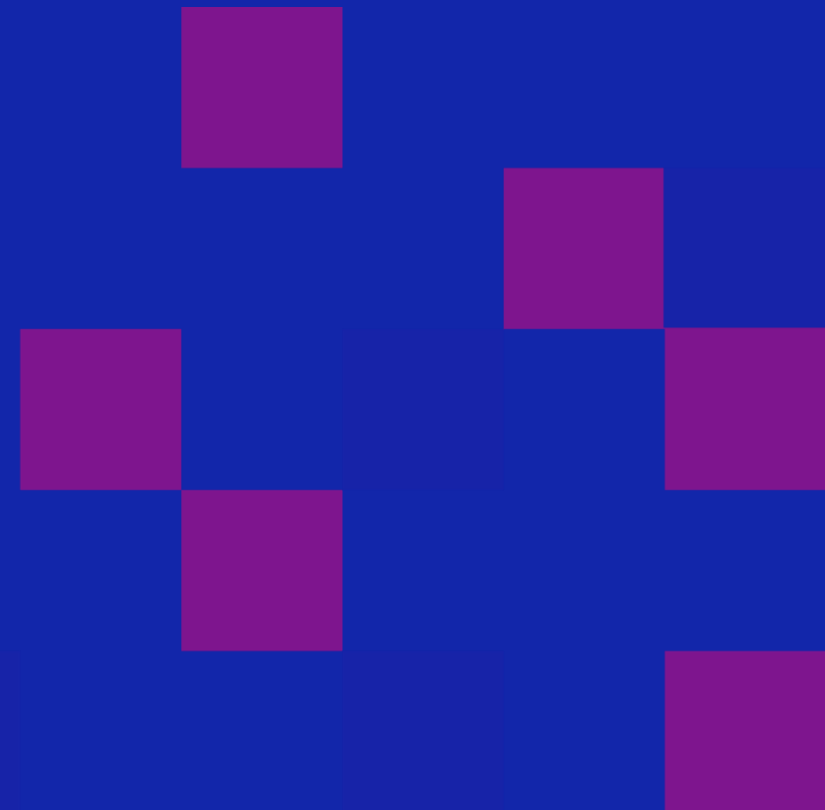
Demo: Publish event from CLI

- You can send events from the command line!



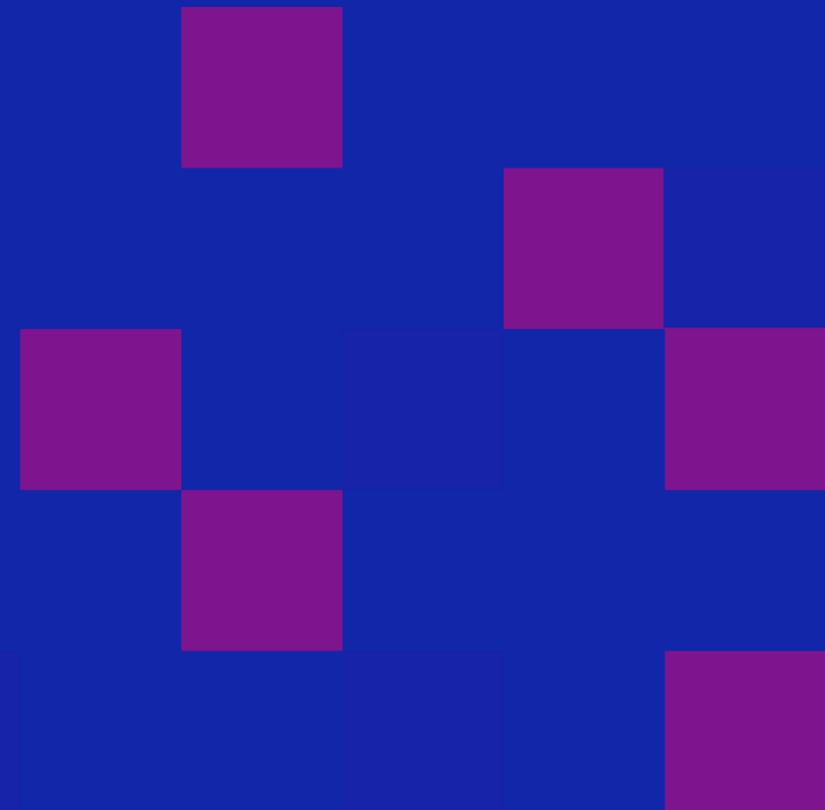
Aspire

- Orchestrator for local development environment
- Run multiple services easily
- Spin up containers
- See telemetry



Aspire dashboard

- Developer control plane (DCP)
- Metrics, traces, structured logs
- Configuration
- Containers and services



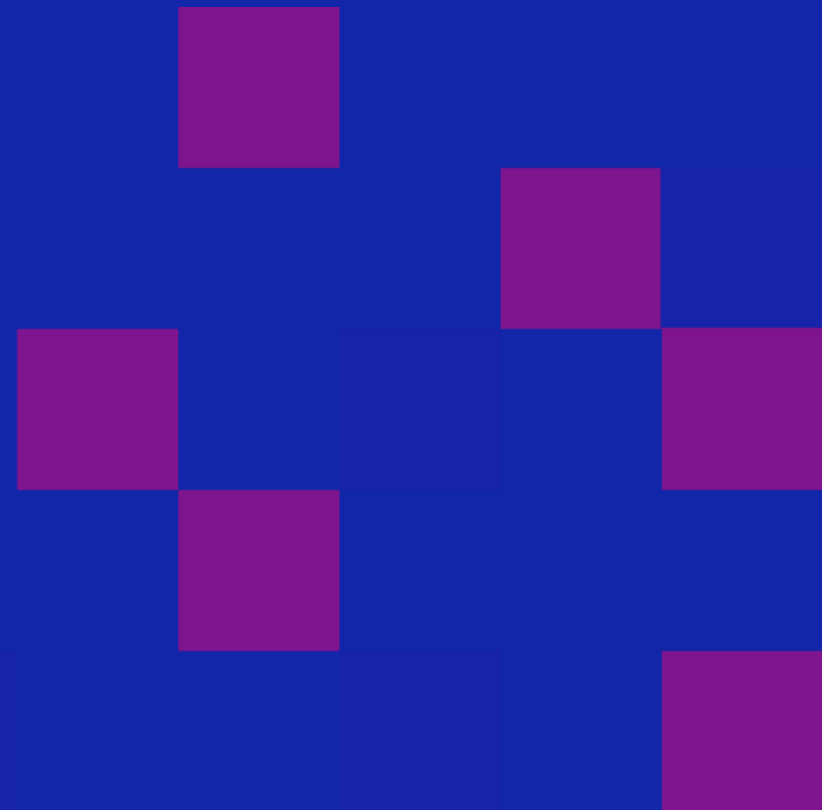
Service defaults

- *Opinionated* startup
- ASPNET Core settings
- OpenTelemetry
- Health checks

```
12 public static class Extensions
13 {
    3 usages Florian van Dillen
14     public static IHostApplicationBuilder AddServiceDefaults(this IHostApplicationBuilder builder)
15     {
16         builder.Services.AddEndpointsApiExplorer();
17         builder.Services.AddSwaggerGen();
18         builder.Services.AddDaprClient();
19         builder.Services.AddControllers();
20
21         builder.ConfigureOpenTelemetry();
22         builder.Services.AddHttpLogging(o: HttpLoggingOptions => { });
23         builder.AddDefaultHealthChecks();
24
25         builder.Services.AddServiceDiscovery();
```

AppHost

- Orchestrator
- We launch our Dapr sidecar from here!



Demo: Aspire dashboard

AspireSample
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Resources

Type	Name	State	Start time	Source	Endpoints	Logs	Details
Container	cache	● Running	8:30:15 AM	redis:7.2.4	localhost:53069	View	View
Project	apiservice	● Running	8:30:16 AM	AspireSample.ApiService.csproj	http://localhost:5516/weatherforecast	View	View
Project	webfrontend	● Running	8:30:16 AM	AspireSample.Web.csproj	http://localhost:5265	View	View

Collecting metrics



```
private static MeterProviderBuilder AddBuiltInMeters(this MeterProviderBuilder meterProviderBuilder) =>
    meterProviderBuilder.AddMeter(
        "Microsoft.AspNetCore.Hosting",
        "Microsoft.AspNetCore.Server.Kestrel",
        "System.Net.Http");
```

Demo: Creating custom metrics

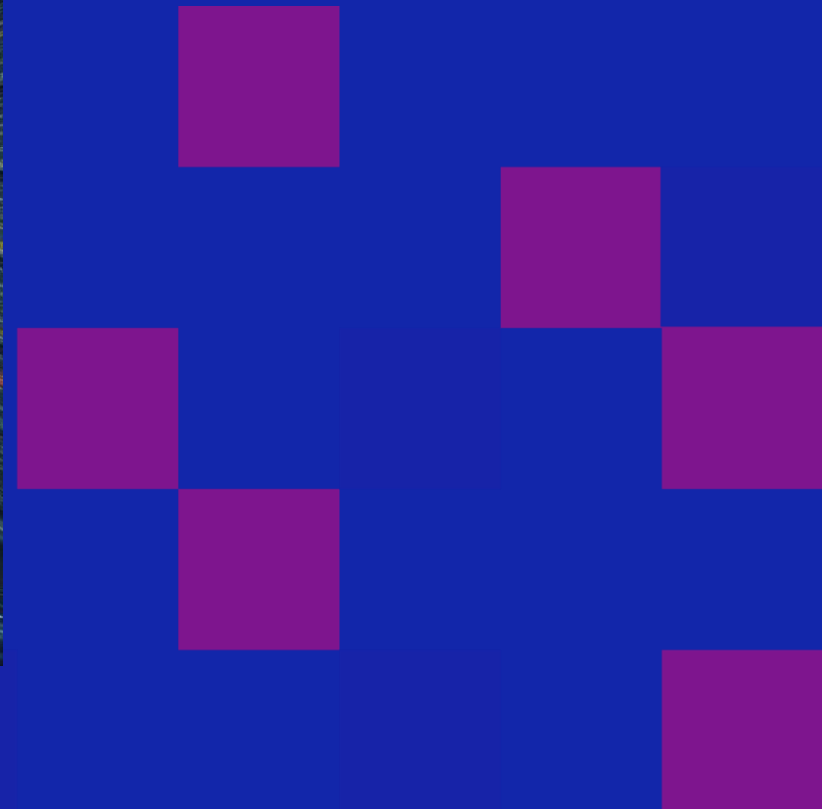
```
public class RunwayMetrics
{
    private static Histogram<int>? _amountOfLandingRunwaysOpen;
    private static Histogram<int>? _amountOfTakeOffRunwaysOpen;

    public RunwayMetrics()
    {
        var meter = new Meter("AirportWatcher.Services.EHAM.Runway");
        _amountOfLandingRunwaysOpen = meter.CreateHistogram<int>("airportwatcher.runway.landingrunwaysopen");
        _amountOfTakeOffRunwaysOpen = meter.CreateHistogram<int>("airportwatcher.runway.takeoffrunwaysopen");
    }

    public void RecordLandingRunways(int amount)
    {
        _amountOfLandingRunwaysOpen!.Record(amount);
    }

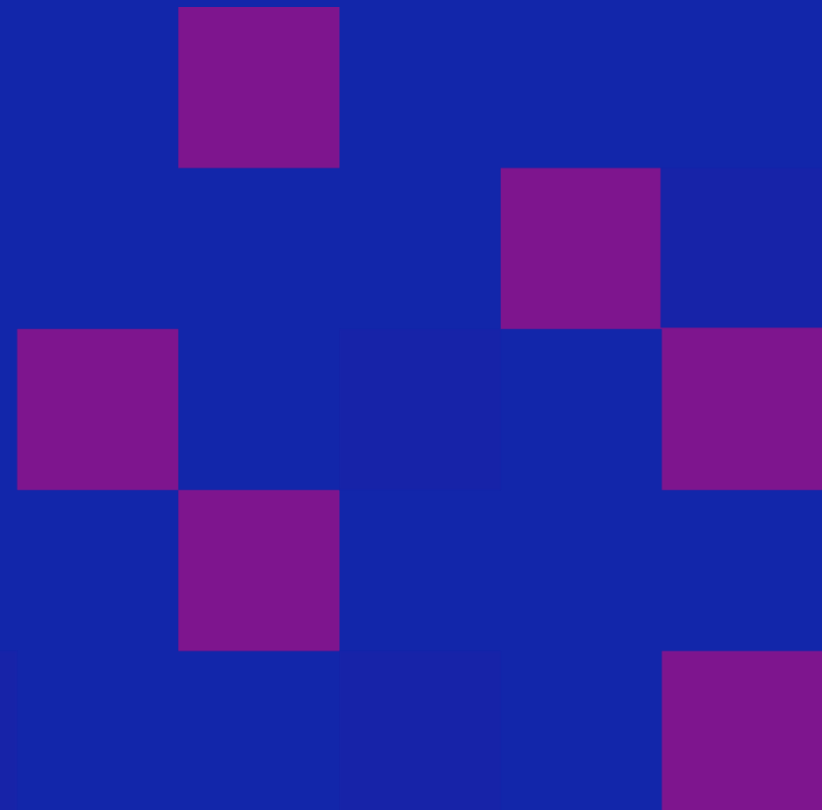
    public void RecordTakeOffRunways(int amount)
    {
        _amountOfTakeOffRunwaysOpen!.Record(amount);
    }
}
```


Demo: Adding SQL



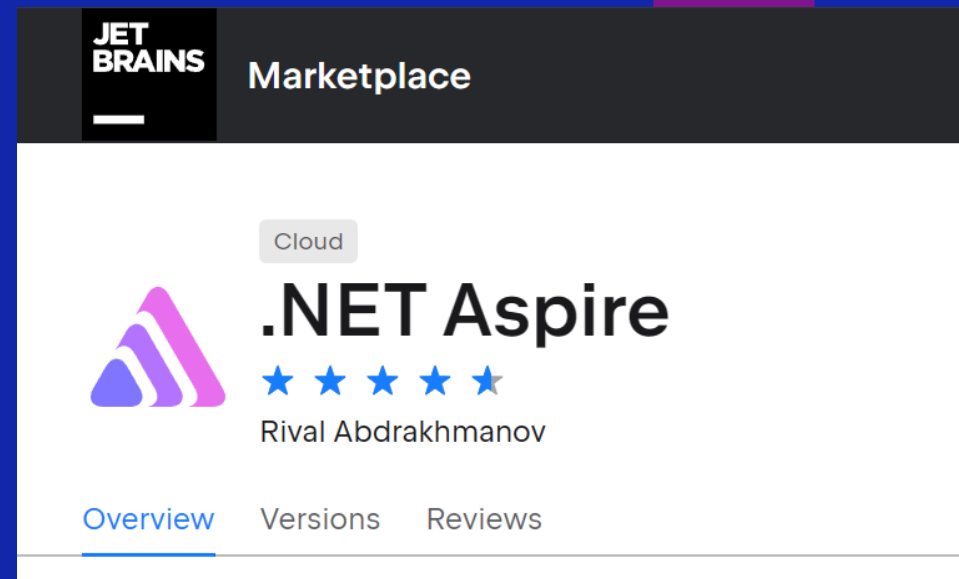
Pitfalls to avoid

- Ensure your workload version is the same as the version in your project (*dotnet workload list*).
- Ensure Docker is running.



Pro tip

- Rider users can install an extension to easily run their Aspire projects with the debugger automatically attaching.
- Shows metrics.
- Shows trace diagram.
- Shows dashboard.



Interested in the code?

- <https://github.com/fvandillen/futuretech-dapr-aspire>

