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Building SaaS applications with ASP.NET Core and Azure

Our SaaS playground: enter Enterprise Chat

(a.k.a. "you want to build a Slack clone,
but you can't design a website" 😊)



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying a chat application. The URL is `https://contoso.enterprisechat.co.uk/chatroom/5`. The interface includes a sidebar with a team name "Team contoso" and a list of channels: "Home", "Default Contoso", and "SecretsHere!". The main chat area is titled "# Default Contoso" and contains a message history with the following entries:

- Kate** 13/09/2022 14:28:13
Carl, we need to talk about that customer meeting
- Carl** 14/09/2022 20:13:32
Sure, what do you think?
- Juliet** 15/09/2022 09:32:24
Hey guys, don't use the public room for this, please! 😊
- Kate** 24/09/2022 13:33:16
Sorry!!! 😊

Annotations with red boxes and lines point to specific features:

- Multi-tenancy**: Points to the "Team contoso" header in the sidebar.
- Custom domains**: Points to the URL `https://contoso.enterprisechat.co.uk/chatroom/5` in the browser address bar.
- Corporate SSO**: Points to the user profile "Hello, test user!" and "Log out" button in the top right header.
- Data Isolation**: Points to the chat message history in the main content area.

Before we proceed, one important caveat



What we are going to work on, is only
ONE POSSIBLE SOLUTION

Keeping data siloed: isolation strategies

Separate databases



Separate schemas



Discriminator column

ChatRooms			
			acme
			acme
			contoso
			fabrikam

ChatMessages			
			fabrikam
			contoso
			contoso
			acme



Ok, discriminator column, but how?!

```
SELECT *  
FROM Rooms  
WHERE CompanyID = 'acme'
```

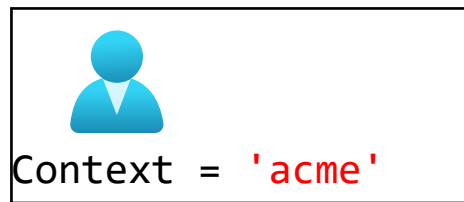
What if you forget it?

ChatRooms			
			acme
			acme
			contoso
			fabrikam

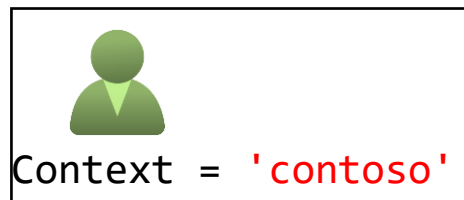


SQL Server's Row Level Security

One possible option to have an "allow-list" approach



ChatRooms			
			acme
			acme
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			acme



ChatRooms			
			contoso
			contoso
			contoso
			contoso

Rooms Table Access Policy

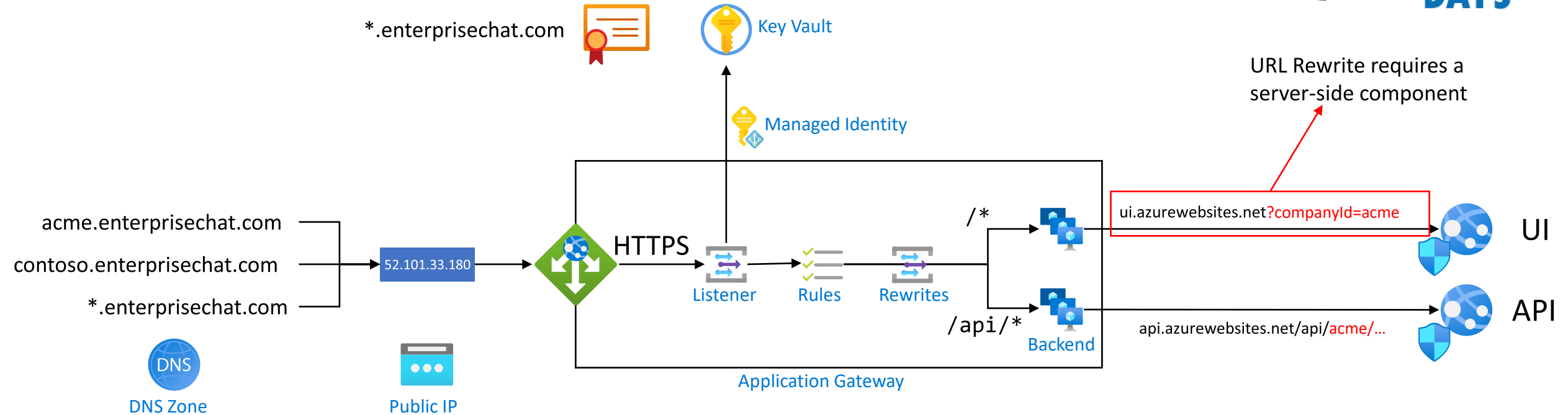
"only return a row if its companyID matches the one in the context"

Demo



Discriminator column and Row-level security

Multi-tenant networking



PREMIUM Call 020 7084 1810 for buying assistance

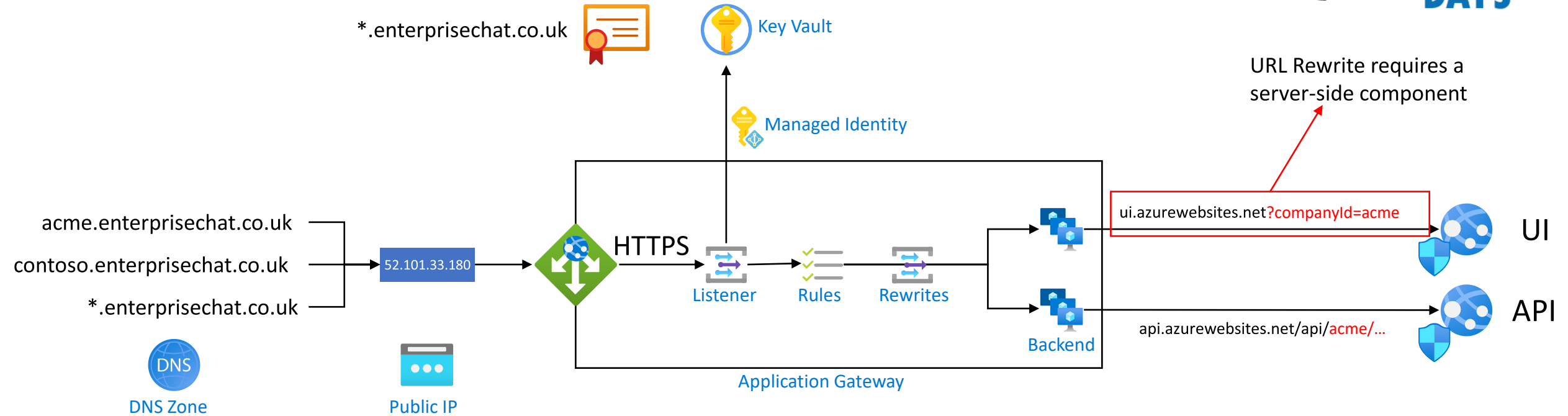
enterprisechat.com

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Multi-tenant networking

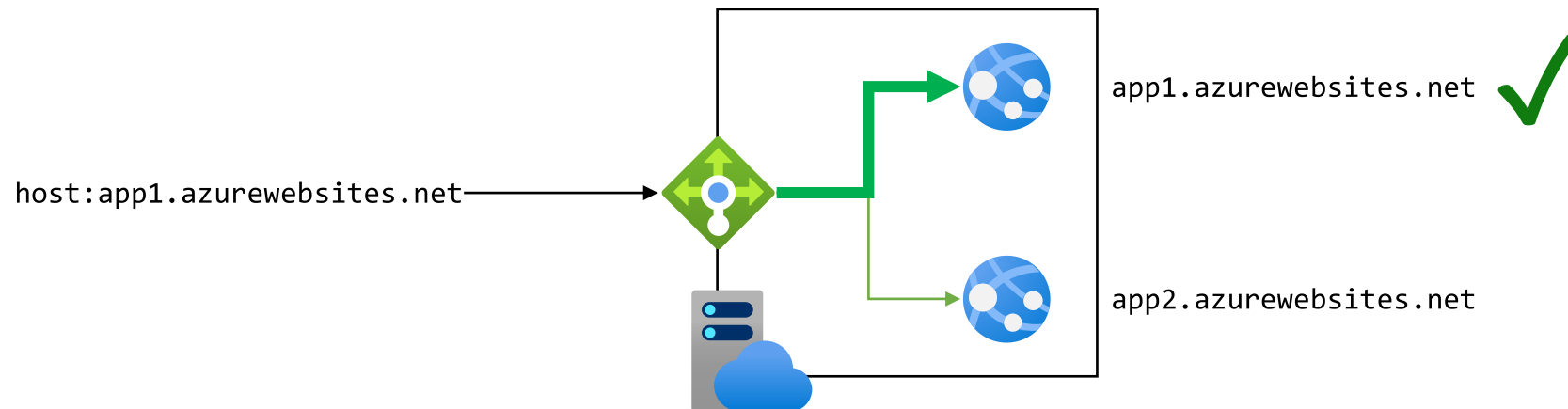


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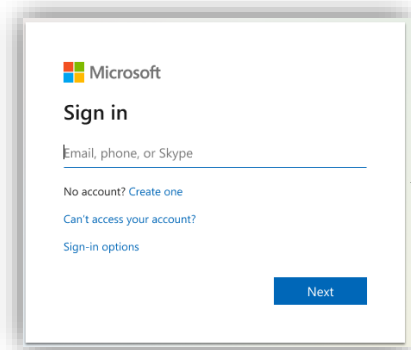


Azure delivery network

Beware of multi-site services like App Services



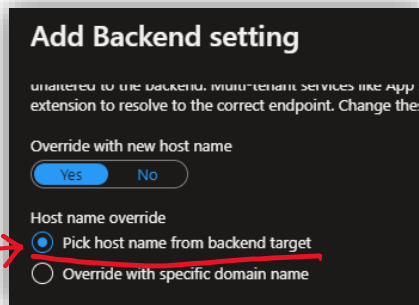
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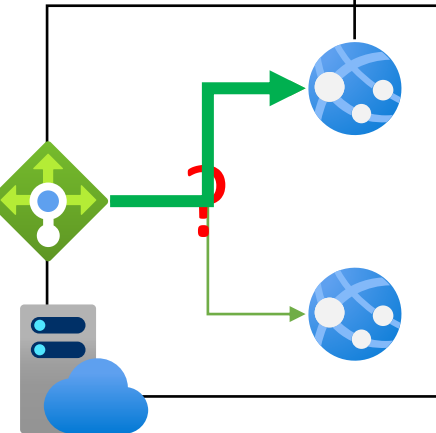
?returnUrl=contoso.enterprise... ✓
~~?returnUrl=app1.azurewebsites.net~~ ✗

```
builder.Services
    .Configure<ForwardedHeadersOptions>(
    {
        // ...
    });
app.UseForwardedHeaders();
```

host:contoso.enterprisechat.com



~~host:contoso.enterprisechat~~
host:app1.azurewebsites.net
x-original-host:contoso...




app1.azurewebsites.net ✓

app2.azurewebsites.net

Enterprise-ready security: corporate SSO

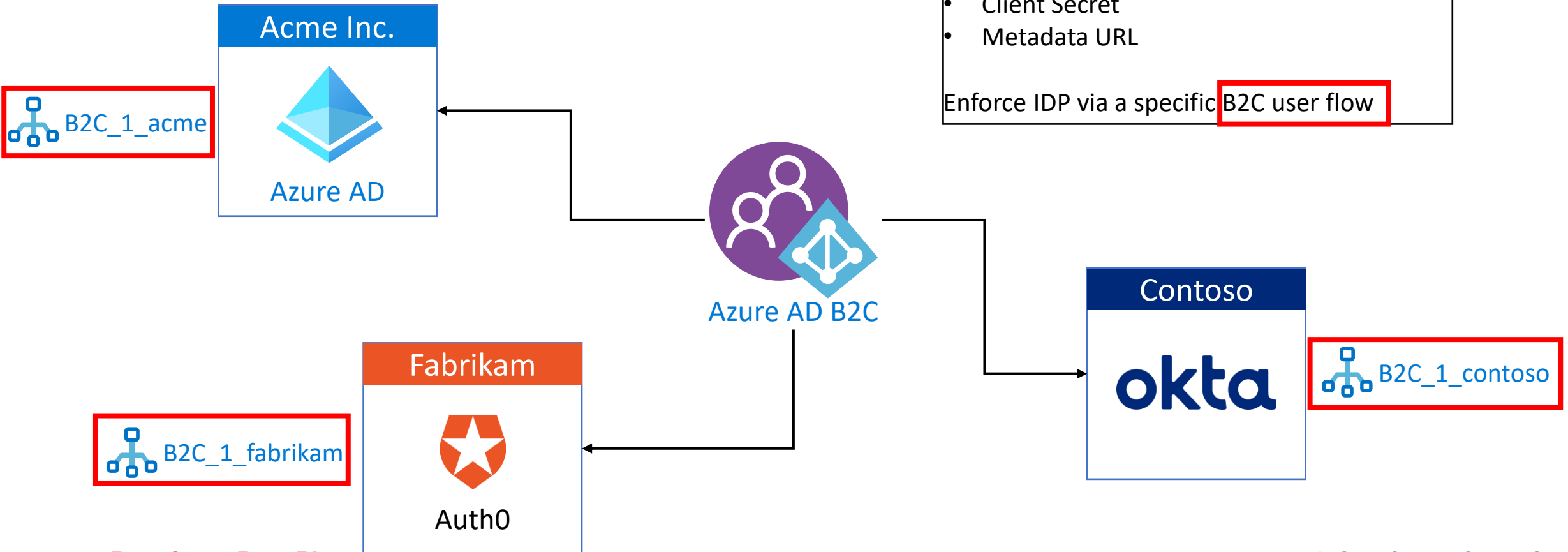
We can work with any IDP which supports



OpenID Connect

- Client ID
- Client Secret
- Metadata URL

Enforce IDP via a specific B2C user flow

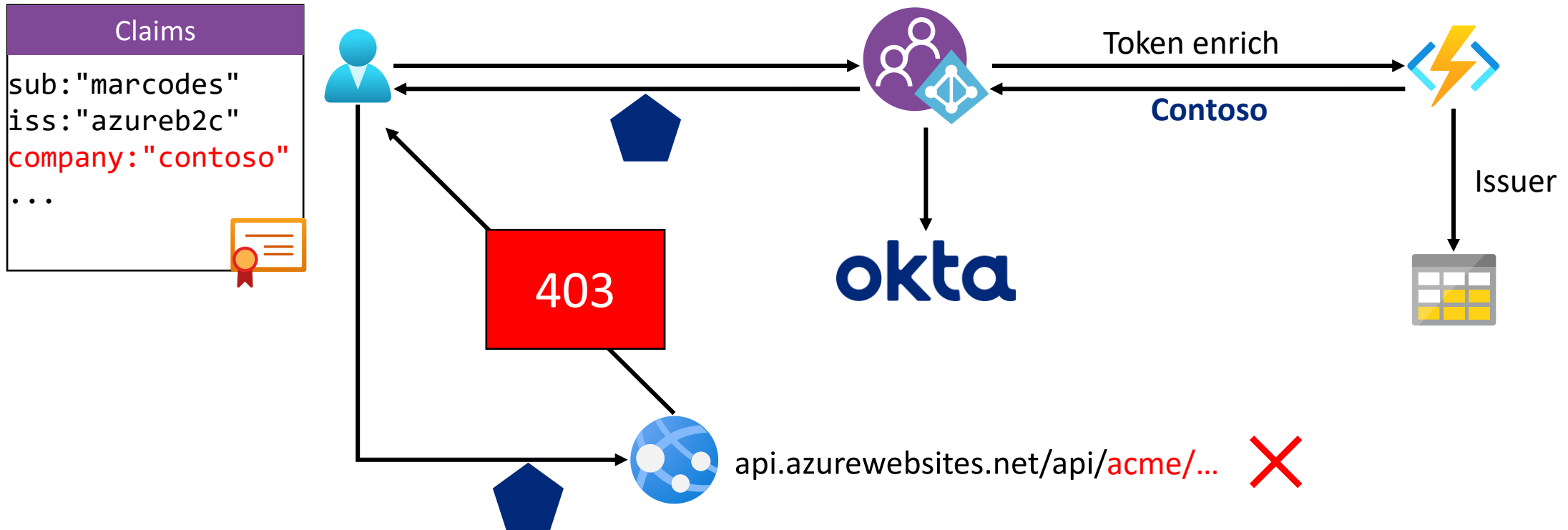


Demo



Enterprise-ready security

Enterprise-ready security: ring fencing access control



```
internal class ClaimsCompanyContextAccessor
{
    // read CompanyId from the user claims
}
```

```
options.AddPolicy("CompanyMustMatch",
policy =>
{
    // check that CompanyId from routing
    // and CompanyId from claims match
});
```

Demo



One last question:
What does it take to add a new client?

Recap



- Different data isolation strategies
 - Row Level security
- Subdomain-independent delivery network
- Support for corporate SSO
- Access control in the application
- Creation of a new instance via Graph API

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