

Powering Transformation. Together.

## **HPC ON AZURE**

Azure, Microsoft's cloud computing platform, offers a comprehensive suite of services tailored for high-performance computing (HPC) applications. These services empower businesses, researchers, and developers to run compute-intensive workloads on-demand, without the overhead of managing physical infrastructure.

With Azure's HPC services, enterprises can harness the power of high-performance computing in a flexible, scalable, and secure environment. Whether it's for research, simulations, data analysis, or any other compute-intensive task, Azure has the right tools and infrastructure to drive innovation and results.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The Azure HPC Team at Oakwood Systems Group is more than just an HPC service provider; we are your strategic partner in computational excellence, committed to ensuring that you leverage the unparalleled capabilities of Azure HPC to propel your business into the future.

We'd like to invite you to learn more about our HPC practice here at Oakwood so you can better understand why so many turn to us for their most complex HPC initiatives.

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### **ABOUT**

**Oakwood Systems Group, Inc.** stands at the forefront of High-Performance Computing (HPC) on Azure, committed to powering transformative computational solutions that drive the next wave of innovation. Over the years, our deep-rooted expertise in Azure's infrastructure has positioned us as the go-to authority for businesses seeking to harness the full spectrum of HPC capabilities available on the Azure platform.

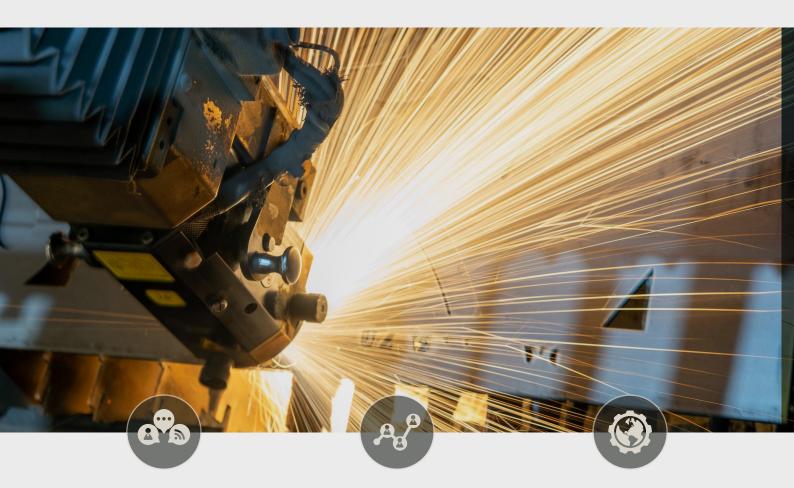
Our seasoned team of professionals brings together a unique blend of technical prowess, industry insights, and a genuine passion for pushing the boundaries of what's possible with Azure HPC. This allows us to craft solutions tailored to the specific needs of each enterprise, ensuring optimized performance, scalability, and cost efficiency.

Beyond mere implementation, we pride ourselves on offering a holistic HPC approach. From meticulous planning and strategy development to seamless deployment, and from rigorous optimization to continuous post-implementation support, our end-to-end services ensure that our clients' HPC endeavors are always aligned with industry best practices and poised for success.

## AZURE HPC FOR MANUFACTURING

DRIVING MEANINGFUL TRANSFORMATION IN THE WAY PRODUCTS

ARE DESIGNED, PRODUCED, AND BROUGHT TO MARKET.



## Accelerate Product Development

With Azure HPC, manufacturers can run complex simulations and models at unprecedented speeds. This means quicker design iterations, accelerated time-to-market, and reduced physical prototyping costs.

## Enhanced Product Quality

By utilizing Azure's powerful computing capabilities, manufacturers can carry out more detailed and accurate simulations, leading to better product designs, fewer defects, and a reduced need for costly recalls.

### Data-Driven Decision Making

Azure HPC, combined with Azure's analytics and AI tools, empowers manufacturers with real-time insights from their data, be it from simulations, IoT devices on the production floor, or the supply chain.

## AZURE HPC FOR ENERGY & UTILITIES

OPTIMIZING EXPLORATION, GRID MANAGEMENT, AND RENEWABLE INNOVATION WITH SCALABLE, SECURE, AND COST-EFFICIENT SOLUTIONS.



## Grid Management Optimization

Azure HPC helps utility providers manage vast amounts of real-time data from smart grids, optimizing energy distribution and improving grid reliability. With real-time insights, companies can forecast demand, detect outages faster, and implement more efficient energy distribution strategies.

### Accelerated Renewable Energy Innovation

HPC enables the rapid modeling and simulation of renewable energy solutions like wind farms or solar panels. Energy companies can predict energy output more accurately and make data-driven decisions to maximize efficiency and output.

### Predictive Maintenance

By integrating Azure HPC with IoT and AI, energy companies can process real-time data from infrastructure sensors, enabling predictive maintenance and reducing downtime for critical energy systems.

## AZURE HPC FOR LIFE SCIENCES

DIRECTLY ADDRESSING THE INDUSTRY'S INTRICATE COMPUTATIONAL DEMANDS AND FOSTERING INNOVATIVE RESEARCH.



## Accelerated Research & Discovery

Azure HPC facilitates the swift processing of large-scale genomic sequencing, molecular simulations, and drug discovery tasks. This speed empowers researchers to make quicker breakthroughs and innovations.

# Scalability & Flexibility

Life sciences workloads, from genomic sequencing to protein folding simulations, vary in complexity. Azure HPC offers scalable resources, allowing institutions to adjust computational power based on the project's demands.

## Data Security & Compliance

Protecting sensitive patient data is paramount. Azure ensures that data remains encrypted both in transit and at rest, and offers tools to help institutions remain compliant with regulations like HIPAA and GDPR.

## AZURE HPC FOR INSURANCE

RESHAPING THE WAY INSURERS ASSESS RISK, ENGAGE WITH CUSTOMERS, AND INNOVATE.



## Enhanced Risk Modeling

Azure HPC facilitates rapid processing of complex risk simulations and models. For sectors like catastrophe insurance, where understanding natural disaster probabilities is crucial, HPC allows for more detailed and frequent scenario analyses.

## Real-Time Data Processing

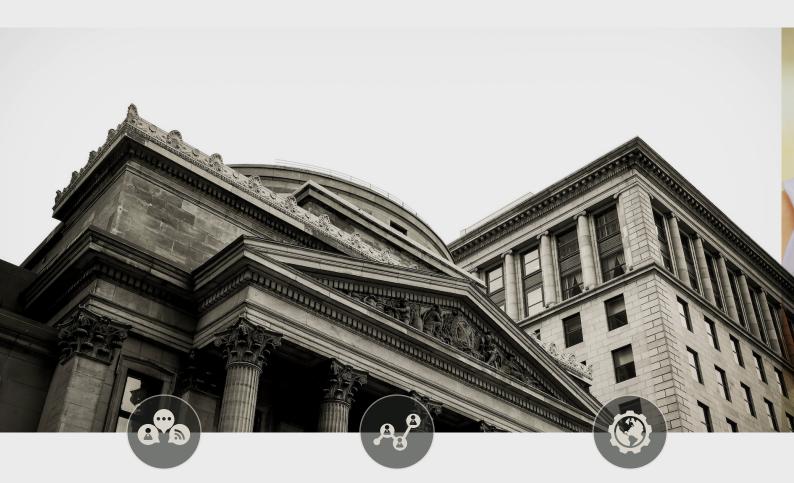
With the surge in IoT devices, like those in connected cars or smart homes, insurers can analyze real-time data streams to assess and adjust policies, prices, and payouts, ensuring more accurate and timely decision-making.

## Fraud Detection & Prevention

Using Azure's HPC in conjunction with machine learning and Al tools, insurers can sift through massive datasets to identify patterns and anomalies, enabling early detection and mitigation of fraudulent claims.

## AZURE HPC FOR FINANCIAL SERVICES

ENABLING FIRMS TO REMAIN AGILE, COMPLIANT, AND AHEAD OF THE CURVE IN A RAPIDLY EVOLVING FINANCIAL LANDSCAPE.



# Accelerated Quantitative Analysis

Azure HPC allows financial firms to execute complex quantitative models and simulations at unparalleled speeds, crucial for tasks like option pricing, risk management, and portfolio optimization.

### Advanced Risk Modeling

With HPC, banks and financial institutions can run intricate risk simulations faster, enabling a more granular understanding of potential market shocks and credit exposures.

### Regulatory Compliance

Financial services operate under strict regulations. Azure offers tools to ensure data handling, storage, and processing align with industry regulations like Dodd-Frank, MiFID II, or Basel III.

## AZURE HPC FOR GENOMICS

OVERCOMING THE UNIQUE CHALLENGES PRESENTED BY THE SHEER VOLUME AND COMPLEXITY OF GENOMIC DATA.



## Rapid Genome Sequencing

With Azure HPC, genomics labs can process and analyze vast amounts of DNA and RNA sequence data much more swiftly, reducing the time from sample to insight and accelerating diagnostics and therapeutic discovery.

### Secure Genomic Data Handling

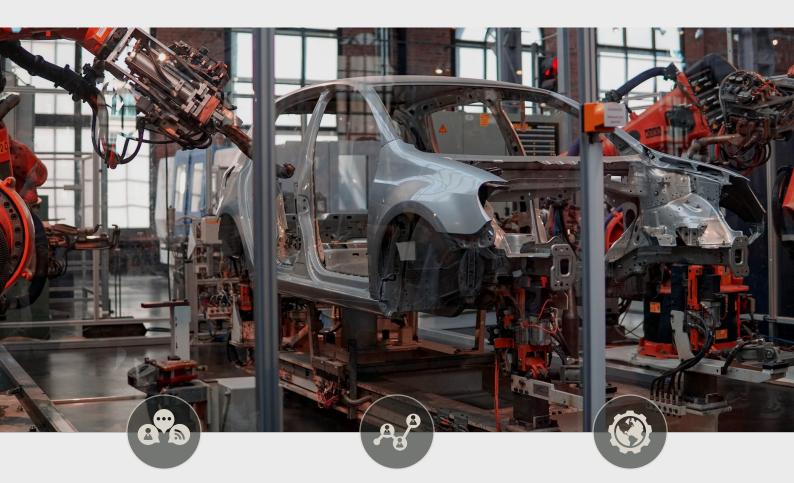
Azure places paramount importance on data security. With strong encryption measures and state-of-the-art security protocols, sensitive genomic data remains protected against breaches and unauthorized access.

### Facilitated Data Sharing

Azure streamlines the process of sharing genomic data with relevant stakeholders, be it researchers, clinicians, or patients, ensuring swift and secure access to critical insights.

## AZURE HPC FOR AUTOMOTIVE

CATERING TO THE GROWING COMPUTATIONAL DEMANDS ARISING FROM THE MOVE TOWARDS ELECTRIFICATION, AUTONOMY, AND PERSONALIZED CUSTOMER EXPERIENCES.



## Advanced Simulations & Modeling

Azure HPC provides the computational firepower required for the detailed simulations of crash tests, aerodynamics, and thermal dynamics, allowing for safer, more efficient vehicle designs without the extensive physical trials.

## Autonomous Vehicle Development

HPC capabilities are essential for processing the vast amounts of data generated during autonomous vehicle testing, as well as for training the machine learning models that drive these vehicles.

### Connected Car Infrastructure

Azure HPC, combined with Azure's IoT solutions, can process and analyze data from connected vehicles in real-time, leading to improved safety features, predictive maintenance, and personalized driver experiences.

#### **Application Development & Modernization Services for HPC**

By leveraging Azure-specific services such as Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS) for containerization, Azure Batch for scalable batch processing, and Azure Monitor for indepth performance insights, the Oakwood Team will ensure that your HPC applications are both state-of-the-art and future-proof.







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# Cloud-Native Application Development

## Parallel Programming

## Application Optimization

Recognizing the transformative power of the cloud, we specialize in designing and constructing HPC applications that are intrinsically built for cloud environments, particularly harnessing the robust infrastructure and tools offered by Azure. Our approach prioritizes scalability, flexibility, and performance. We exploit the inherent parallelism provided by cloud platforms, allowing applications to run multiple tasks concurrently, resulting in drastic reductions in computational times. Additionally, we leverage the capabilities of GPU-Accelerated Computing, tapping into the raw computational power of GPUs for tasks that demand intense resources. Every application we develop is engineered with the cloud in mind, ensuring seamless integration with other cloud services, optimal resource utilization, and cost-effective scaling.

Parallel programming stands as a cornerstone of our application development services, particularly in the realm of High-Performance Computing (HPC). Understanding the importance of efficient and faster computations in today's data-driven world, we have honed our expertise in crafting applications that distribute tasks across multiple processors simultaneously. By embracing the principles of parallelism, we ensure that complex computations are broken down and executed concurrently, drastically slashing processing times and enhancing application throughput. Our adept team delves deep into both task-based and data-based parallelism, ensuring that every aspect of a given problem is addressed in the most optimized manner.

Our approach to application optimization is holistic, starting from the ground up, analyzing code structures, algorithms, and data flows. We identify bottlenecks, areas of latency, and potential inefficiencies, then meticulously rework them to achieve faster processing times and improved responsiveness. Our team leverages state-of-the-art tools and methodologies to profile and benchmark applications, ensuring that each optimization effort is data-driven and results-oriented. Beyond code and algorithm refinement, we also delve into infrastructure and platform-specific optimizations, ensuring that applications make the most of the underlying hardware and cloud capabilities.

#### Infrastructure Services for HPC

Using Azure-specific tools and services, Oakwood advises on best practices for configuring virtual networks, setting up high-speed interconnects using Azure ExpressRoute, and deploying compute resources like Azure VMs optimized for HPC tasks.







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### Cluster Management

By leveraging tools like Azure CycleCloud and Azure Batch, Oakwood enables organizations to dynamically provision, manage, and scale clusters to meet fluctuating computational demands. Our expertise would extend beyond mere deployment to encompass optimal configuration, ensuring clusters are fine-tuned to deliver peak performance for specific HPC workloads. With security being paramount, the Oakwood Team also provides robust measures to safeguard clusters, leveraging Azure's advanced security tools and best practices. We also utilize Azure Monitor and Log Analytics to provide real-time insights into cluster health, performance, and to uncover potential bottlenecks.

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### Cloud Infrastructure

Oakwood's HPC Team will take ownership of the strategic design and deployment of Azure's vast infrastructure offerings. Whether our clients seek virtualized compute resources with Azure VMs, scalable storage solutions via Azure Blob Storage, or low-latency networking through Azure ExpressRoute, Oakwood is primed to deliver. Recognizing the importance of a seamless and resilient architecture, we'll advise on best practices for multi-region deployments, redundancy, and disaster recovery, leveraging tools like Azure Site Recovery. Using Azure Monitor and Azure Cost Management, we help organizations achieve peak operational efficiency while maintaining costeffectiveness.

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### Storage Solutions

Recognizing that data forms the backbone of today's digital businesses, Oakwood adeptly navigates Azure's multifaceted storage landscape to architect and implement solutions that align with specific client requirements. Whether it's leveraging Azure Blob Storage for vast, unstructured data, Azure Files for shared file storage, or Azure Disk Storage for highperformance, durable disk requirements, we'll ensure optimal configuration and deployment. Given the growing emphasis on data regulations and security, we also guide organizations in implementing advanced encryption, access controls, and compliance policies using tools like Azure Security Center.

#### **Data & Analytics Services for HPC**

Oakwood designs and implements robust data pipelines that harness the power of Azure's HPC capabilities. We guide organizations in leveraging Azure Data Factory to orchestrate and automate data workflows, ensuring efficient data movement and transformation.







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# Data Management and Curation

Oakwood's HPC Team offers a robust suite of solutions to address the intricate challenges posed by massive computational datasets. At the forefront of our services is the design and implementation of comprehensive data governance strategies, utilizing tools such as Microsoft Purview to track data lineage, cataloging, and discoverability. This ensures that HPC-processed data is consistently accurate, usable, and readily available for analytical endeavors. Oakwood guides clients through the integration of Azure Data Lake Storage and Azure Blob Storage, optimizing storage strategies tailored for structured and unstructured HPC datasets. Recognizing the nuances of HPC data, we offer expert curation services, ensuring data is cleaned, classified, and annotated appropriately

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### Data Security

Oakwood's expertise encompasses the entire data security lifecycle, from data creation to disposal, ensuring rigorous protection at every touchpoint. Leveraging tools such as Azure Security Center, we offer real-time monitoring and threat detection, enabling proactive responses to potential security breaches. Key to our services is the meticulous implementation of encryption both at rest, using Azure Disk Encryption, and in transit with Azure's robust VPN and Azure ExpressRoute solutions. We guide organizations in setting up advanced access controls, utilizing Azure Active Directory and role-based access control (RBAC) to ensure that only authorized personnel can access sensitive HPC data. Oakwood leverages Azure Policy and Azure Blueprints to ensure adherence to industry regulations and standards.

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### Data Visualization

Oakwood excels in translating intricate computational outputs into clear, interactive visual narratives. Harnessing the power of tools like Power BI, we enable organizations to craft dynamic dashboards and reports, seamlessly integrated with Azure's diverse data sources such as Azure Data Lake Storage and Azure SQL Data Warehouse. By employing advanced visualization techniques, we simplify the interpretation of vast HPC datasets, making patterns, trends, and anomalies readily identifiable to our customer's stakeholders. Oakwood's Data Visualization services extend to capacity planning and fine-tuning, guaranteeing that the visual tools remain agile in the face of growing HPC data.



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