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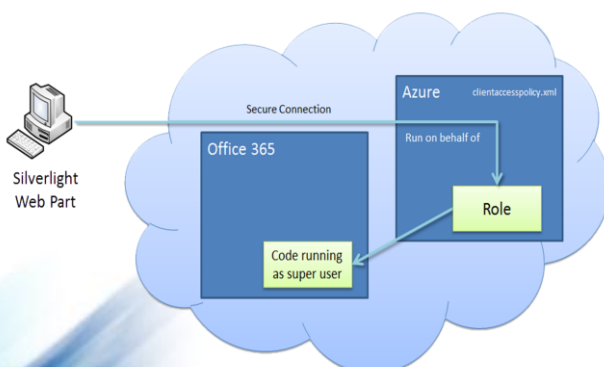
ICS Solutions are working on unique Microsoft Windows Azure coding that enhances Microsoft SharePoint Online features and allows users to make the most of Microsoft Office 365.

By combining their expertise in Windows Azure, SharePoint 2010 and Office 365, ICS Solutions are developing exclusive ways to securely enable functions in SharePoint Online that, originally, were only available on premises.

### Elevating privileges

The Windows Azure code written by ICS Solutions' experts acts on behalf of the user to release the power of SharePoint Online.

A Silverlight web part calls into an Azure Windows Communication Foundation (WCF) service. In turn, the WCF service connects to Sharepoint Online as a super user, enabling functions in Office 365 that otherwise would only be available on-premises. All this is done within a secure connection.



## Contact us

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## Examples

Here are some examples of solutions obtained by integrating Windows Azure with SharePoint Online:

### Self-service collaboration tool

The exclusive Windows Azure code written by ICS Solutions allow users to create their own sites for collaboration, customised to their needs.

### Create and run background applications

Windows Azure allows users to create and run their on background applications in SharePoint Online. An example of a application that runs in the background are weather updates, that automatically retrieve information from a pre-determined website and publish it in the Intranet portal.

### Why some features are not available in SharePoint Online?

As Office 365 is a public Cloud, accessed by multiple users, Microsoft has limited some functionalities to preserve the integrity of the system against accidental damage.

Windows Azure acts as an intermediary to command certain actions to Office 365 without affecting the integrity of the system.