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Le novità di Entity Framework Core 9



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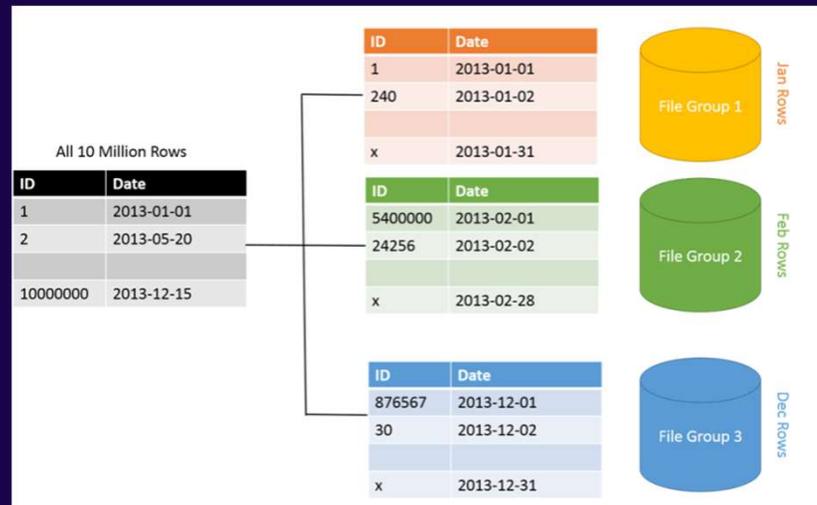


Entity Framework: Novità in .NET9

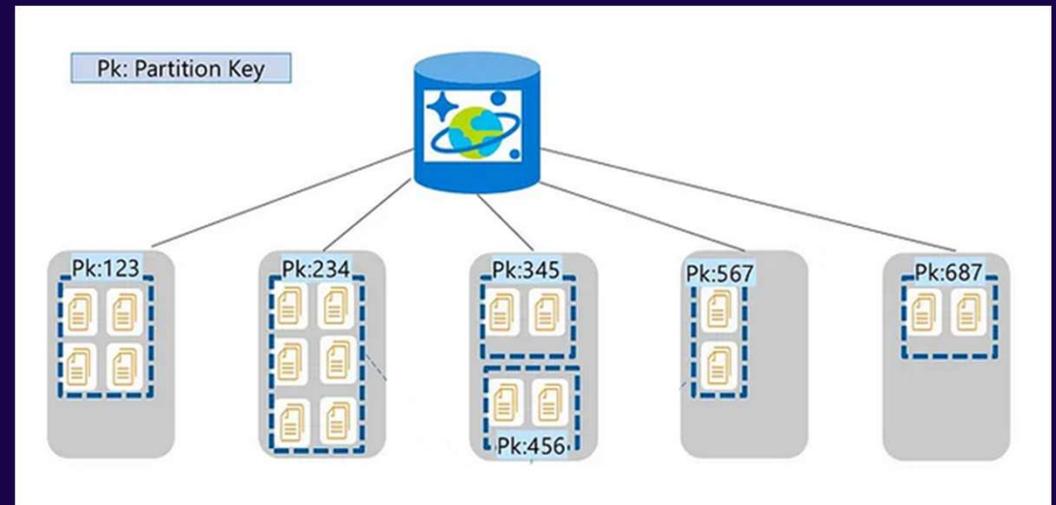
- **Enhanced support for Azure Cosmos DB**
 - Improvements querying with partition keys
 - Point Read
 - Vector Similarity Search (preview)
- **Migration & Seeding**
- **Support for .NET NativeAOT (preview)**

CosmosDB for NOSQL & Partition Keys 1/3

Sharding in Sql Server



Sharding in CosmosDB



CosmosDB for NOSQL & Partition Keys 2/3

Query/PartitionKey

```
var res1 = await context.TODOItems
    .Where(x => x.PartitionKey == "partitionTest" &&
        x.Title.StartsWith("ciao"))
    .ToListAsync();

var res2 = await context.TODOItems
    .WithPartitionKey("partitionTest")
    .Where(x => x.Title.StartsWith("ciao"))
    .ToListAsync();
```

Hierarchical partition keys

```
public class UserSession
{
    // Item ID
    public Guid Id { get; set; }

    // Partition Key
    public string TenantId { get; set; }
    public Guid UserId { get; set; }
    public int SessionId { get; set; }

    // Other members
    public string Username { get; set; }
}
```

```
modelBuilder.Entity<UserSession>()
    .ToContainer("UsersSession")
    .HasPartitionKey(c => new { c.TenantId, c.UserId, c.SessionId })
    .HasNoDiscriminator()
    .HasKey(c => c.Id);
```

Partition keys: Compatible Types

```
modelBuilder.Entity<ToDoItem>()
    .ToContainer("ToDoItems")
    .HasPartitionKey(c => c.PartitionKey)
    .HasNoDiscriminator()
    .HasKey(c => c.Id);

public class ToDoItem
{
    ....
    public Guid PartitionKey { get; set; }
    ....
}
```

CosmosDB for NOSQL & Partition Keys 3/3

Point Read

```
var res = await context.ToDoItems
    .FirstOrDefaultAsync(x => x.PartitionKey == "partitionTest" &&
        x.Id == guidTest);
```

EF v8

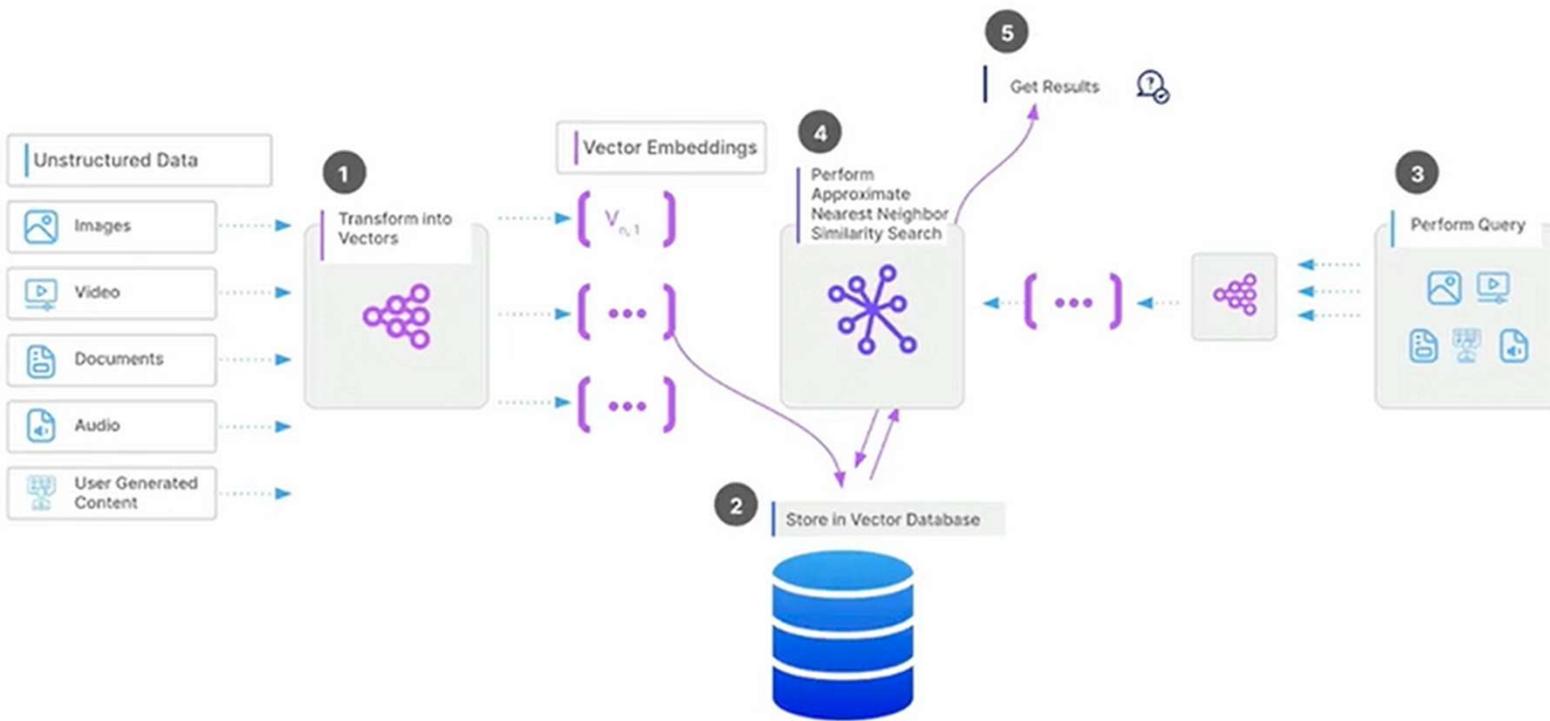
Executed ReadNext (1749.0602 ms, 2.79 RU) ActivityId='7370199d-482a-4623-9e83-95f622dc4c7b', Container='ToDoItems', Partition='partitionTest', Parameters=[@__guidTest_0='5702dbdc-be24-41b1-9207-525c4909a42c']

```
SELECT c
FROM root c
WHERE (c["Id"]) = @__guidTest_0)
OFFSET 0 LIMIT 1
```

EF v9

Executed ReadItem (255 ms, 1 RU) ActivityId='42c30985-d39e-453d-8f96-be484edac064', Container='ToDoItems', Id='5702dbdc-be24-41b1-9207-525c4909a42c', Partition='["partitionTest"]'

CosmosDB for NOSQL like Vector DB 1/3



CosmosDB for NOSQL like Vector DB 2/3

Abilitazione Feature in Azure

Feature	Status
Full-Text & Hybrid Search for NoSQL API (preview)	Off
Vector Search for NoSQL API	On
Dynamic Scaling (Per Region and Per Partition Autoscale)	On
Priority based execution (preview)	Off
Burst Capacity	Off
Partition merge (preview)	Off
Materialized Views for NoSQL API (preview)	Off
Diagnostics full-text query	Off

Creazione Container

New Container

* Container id

* Partition key

+ Add hierarchical partition key

* Container throughput (autoscale) Autoscale Manual

Estimate your required RU/s with [capacity calculator](#).

Container Max RU/s

Your container throughput will automatically scale from **100 RU/s (10% of max RU/s) - 1000 RU/s** based on usage.

Estimated monthly cost (USD)

+ Add unique key

Analytical store On Off

Azure Synapse Link is required for creating an analytical store container. Enable Synapse Link for this Cosmos DB account. [Learn more](#)

> Container Vector Policy

> Advanced

Container Vector Policy

> Vector embedding 1

Path

Data type

Distance function

Dimensions

Index type

Quantization byte size

Indexing search list size

> Advanced

CosmosDB for NOSQL like Vector DB 3/3

Definition

```
modelBuilder.Entity<Blog>()
    .ToContainer("Blog")
    .HasPartitionKey(c => c.PartitionKey)
    .HasNoDiscriminator()
    .HasKey(c => c.Id);

#pragma warning disable EF9103
modelBuilder.Entity<Blog>()
    .Property(b => b.EmbVector)
    .IsVector(distanceFunction: DistanceFunction.Cosine, dimensions: 1536);
#pragma warning restore EF9103
```

Ricerca similarità per vettore

```
var blogs = await context.Blog
    .OrderBy(s =>
        EF.Functions
            .VectorDistance(s.EmbVector, floatArray)
    ).Take(5)
    .ToListAsync();
```

```
public class Blog
{
    public int Id { get; set; }
    public string Titolo { get; set; }
    public float[] EmbVector { get; set; }
    public string PartitionKey { get; set; }
}
```

Migration – La Teoria vs la pratica

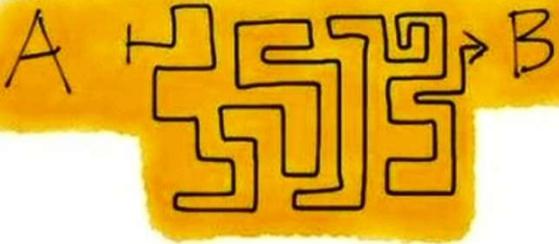
Theory:



La teoria

Applying database migration is part of application deployment, not application startup

Practice:



.....La pratica

```
using var context = new TodoItemDbContext();  
await context.Database.MigrateAsync();
```

Migration & Locking: whaat ?

```
await context.Database.MigrateAsync();
```

Sql Server-way

```
...  
EXEC @result = sp_getapplock @Resource = '__EFMigrationsLock', @LockOwner = 'Session', @LockMode = 'Exclusive';  
...  
  
EXEC @result = sp_releaseapplock @Resource = '__EFMigrationsLock', @LockOwner = 'Session';  
...
```

...e se il database non supporta alcun meccanismo di lock ?

Uso tabella *__EFMigrationLock*

Seeding: "old way" 1/2

```
public virtual DataBuilder<TEntity> HasData(params TEntity[] data)
{
    return HasData((IEnumerable<object>)data);
}
```

Esempio

```
modelBuilder.Entity<ToDoItem>().HasData(

    new ToDoItem() {
        Id = new Guid("{E96600FA-5C32-4B01-8637-59B93960D870}"),
        Description="Partecipare all'evento .NET 9 di .NET Liguria",
        Title="Test",
        Done = false
    }

);
```

Seeding: "old way" 2/2

Codice che genera errore

```
modelBuilder.Entity<ToDoItem>().HasData(  
  
    new ToDoItem() {  
        Description="Partecipare all'evento .NET 9 di .NET Liguria",  
        Title="Test",  
        Id = Guid.NewGuid(),  
        Done = false  
    }  
  
);
```



The model for context 'DbContext' has pending changes.
Add a new migration before updating the database.
This exception can be suppressed or logged by passing event ID
'RelationalEventId.PendingModelChangesWarning' to the 'ConfigureWarnings'
method in 'DbContext.OnConfiguring' or 'AddDbContext'.

Soluzione work-around

```
optionsBuilder.ConfigureWarnings(w => w.Ignore(RelationalEventId.PendingModelChangesWarning));
```

Seeding: la "recommended way"

```
optionsBuilder
    .UseSqlServer(«ConnectionString»)
    .UseAsyncSeeding(async (dbctx,_,ct) => {
        var todoItemDbSet=dbctx.Set<ToDoItem>();
        var todoItem = await todoItemDbSet.FirstOrDefaultAsync(x => x.Title == "Partecipare all'evento di DotNetLiguria");
        if (todoItem == null)
        {
            await todoItemDbSet.AddAsync(new ToDoItem { Title = "Partecipare all'evento .NET9 di DotNetLiguria",
                Description = "Partecipare all'evento .NET9 di DotNetLiguria",
                Done = false }
                );
            await dbctx.SaveChangesAsync();
        }
    }).UseSeeding((dbctx, _) => {
        var todoItemDbSet = dbctx.Set<ToDoItem>();
        var todoItem = todoItemDbSet.FirstOrDefault(x => x.Title == "Partecipare all'evento .NET9 di DotNetLiguria");
        if (todoItem == null)
        {
            todoItemDbSet.Add(new ToDoItem { Title = "Partecipare all'evento .NET9 di DotNetLiguria",
                Description = "Partecipare all'evento .NET9 di DotNetLiguria",
                Done = false });
            dbctx.SaveChangesAsync();
        }
    })
    .LogTo(Console.WriteLine, (id, lev) => id == RelationalEventId.CommandExecuting)
    .EnableSensitiveDataLogging()
    .EnableDetailedErrors();
```

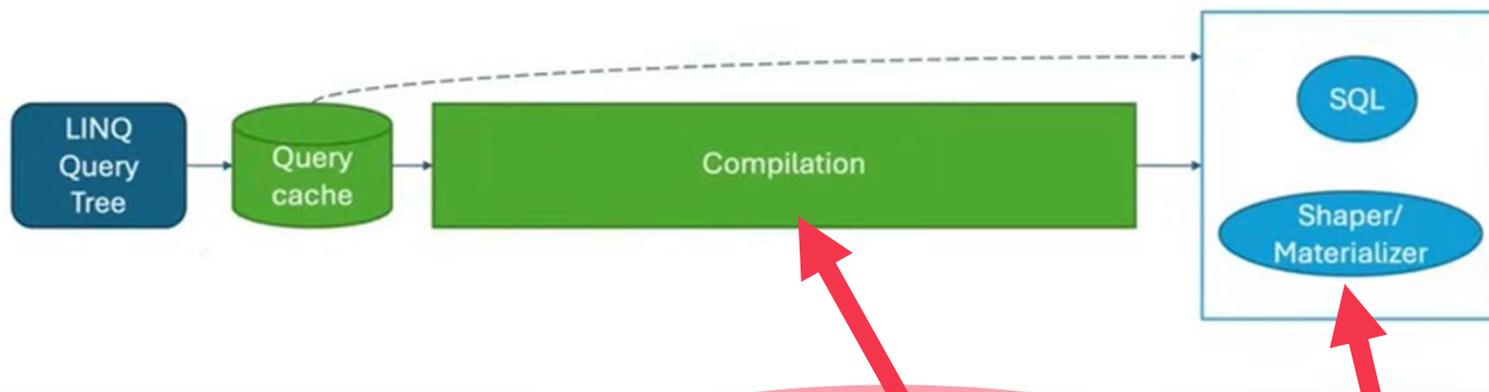
AOT & Entity Framework

Native AOT: What is ?

- Compile .NET applications ahead-of-time directly to final binary
- No more just-in-time compilation
- Small, self-contained binaries that have smaller memory footprints and are easier to deploy
- Running applications in environments where just-in-time compilation isn't supported
- ...and ...what about Entity Framework ??

Query Precompilation !

EF Query Pipeline



```
var listResult = dbContext.Blog.Where(x=>x.Titolo == «EF Core9»).ToListAsync();
```

C# interceptors: ehm... Cioè ???

- Native AOT si basa su C# Interceptors
- C# Interceptors <> Entity Framework Core Interceptors
- Introdotti in C# 12/.NET 8
- Un Interceptor è un metodo che permette di sostituirsi ad un'altro a "compile-time"
- Lo scopo principale è quello di generare metodi sostitutivi (scritti da un source-generator) rispetto a quelli dichiarati.

Il comando

```
dotnet ef dbcontext optimize --precompile-queries -nativeaot
```

Materializer

Legacy
.UseModel(MyCompiledModels.BlogsContextModel.Instance)

In EF9 NON più necessario

Query Generator

Legacy
EF.Compile

Additional code

Questionario

