

# *How to Develop Responsive Applications with IBM MQ Light*

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# Agenda

- Introduction & Background
- Use-case and features
- A new messaging API
- Deploying apps & IBM BlueMix
- Demo

# IBM Messaging Focus Areas



## Enable Developers to build more scalable, responsive applications

Focus on new app dev use cases, breadth of languages, ease-of-deployment, lightweight services, integration with developer frameworks



## Deliver Messaging Backbone for Enterprise

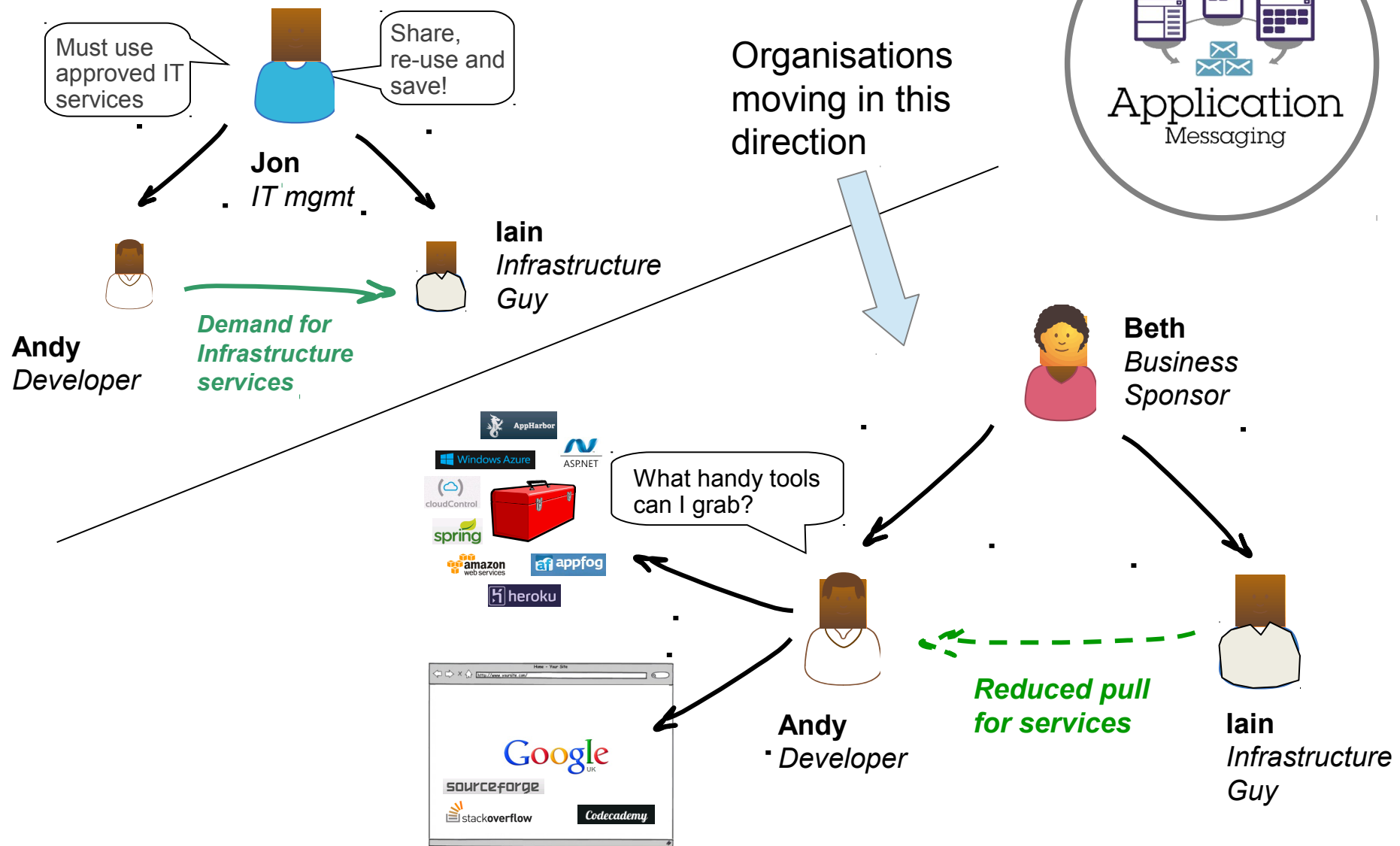
Focus on traditional MQ values, rock-solid enterprise-class service, ease-of-operation, breadth of platform coverage, availability, z/OS exploitation



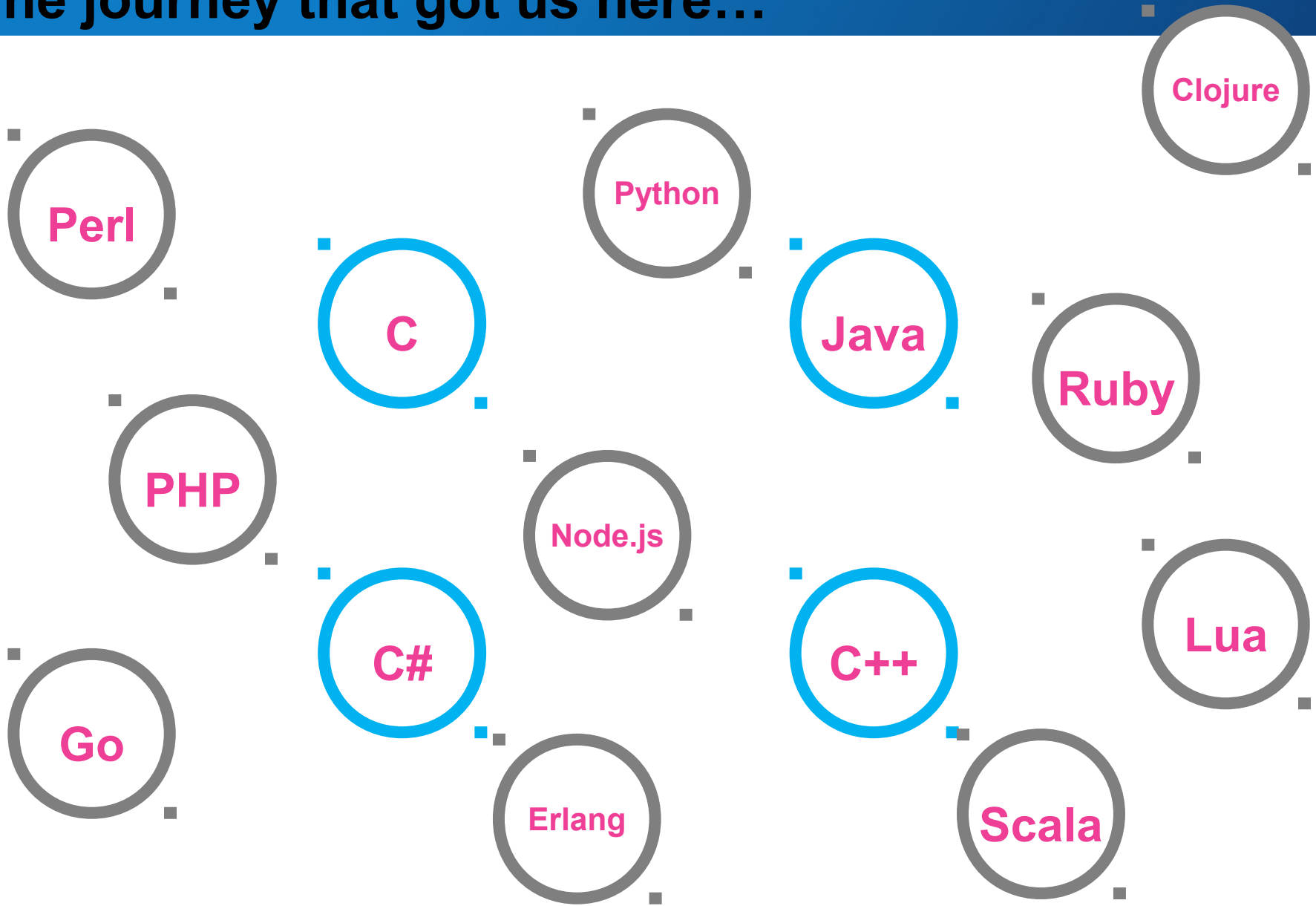
## Capture Big Data from Mobile and Internet of Things

Focus on Internet-scale events, m2m device enablement, zero-admin, security and privacy, feed into real-time analytics, location-based notifications

# What is “Application Messaging”?



# The journey that got us here...



# What is 'Andy' the developer like?



- ▶ Driven to produce applications that can be field tested in the minimum time possible
- ▶ Discovers technology that are prevalent in his communities
- ▶ Uses the best tool for the job
- ▶ Intolerant of process / company mandates / imposed technology that do not obviously and immediately benefit his application



# What is MQ Light?

1. A new messaging API
2. A messaging runtime for on-premise development and deployment
3. A PaaS messaging runtime for admin-free cloud deployment (MQ Light Service in Bluemix)

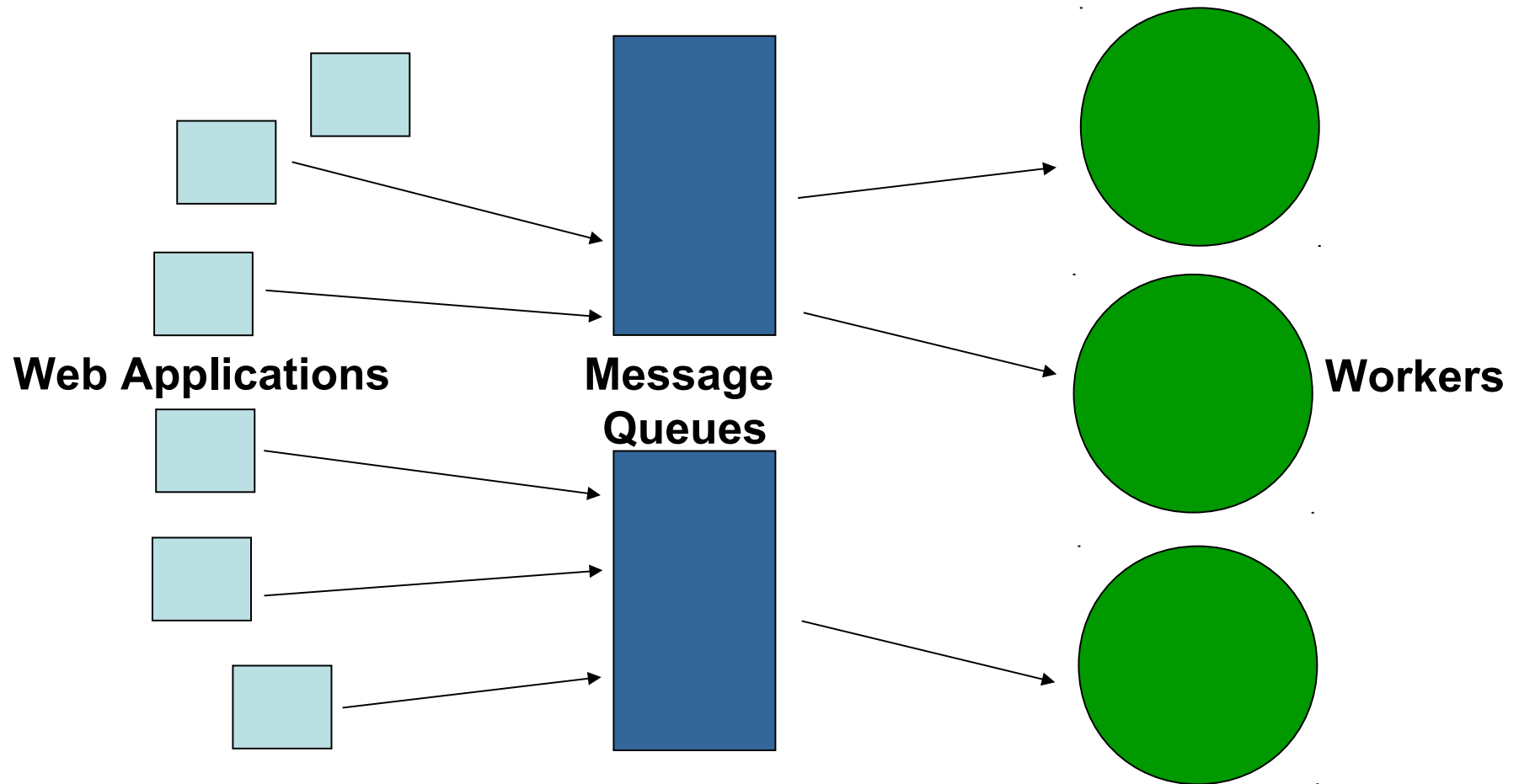
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# A Typical Developer's Use-Case

I want to execute code without **taxing my Web app processes**



# Application Messaging Features

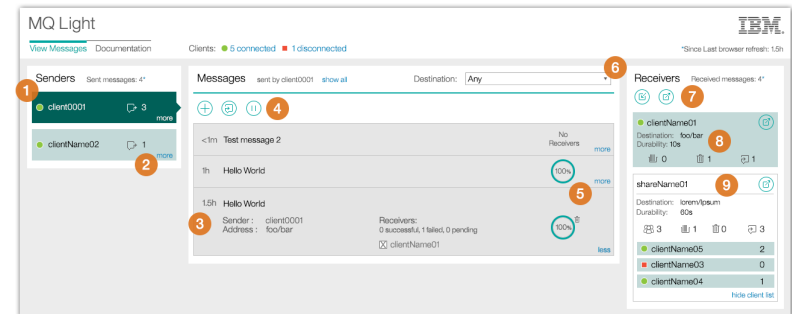
Our new messaging offering will focus on the developer...

- A simple API

```
e.g. client.start()  
client.send()  
client.subscribe()  
client.unsubscribe()
```

- Developer-oriented download & install process

- Web based tooling



- Open-source technologies

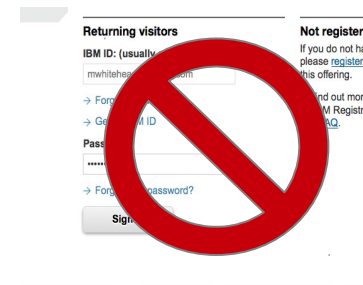


- Easy to deploy apps to a PaaS environment

# Developer oriented download & install

## We're addressing the inhibitors to developer approval

- Removing the sign-in step from the download process
- Removing the need to run an installer, allowing the product to be unzipped to any location
- Ensuring we don't require intrusive OS changes, e.g. altering the registry, setting up users
- Developer-centric platform support (see next slide)
- Providing a more developer-centric look & feel to the download site and support pages



# Appropriate Platform Support

## Developer-centric rather than enterprise-centric platforms

- We currently have support for:
  - Microsoft® Windows® 7
  - RedHat Enterprise Linux 6 64-bit
  - Ubuntu 12.04.4 LTS
  - Mac OS X
- We recognise the importance of platforms and we'll be looking at support for them during the beta, such as:
  - Ubuntu 14.04 LTS
  - Suse Linux
  - ...

**z/OS, IBM i, Solaris®, AIX or HP-UX® are not our target platforms**

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# Simple API

**Better suited to rapid application development**

**Basic administration built into the API**

- Creating endpoints, configuring connectivity to existing systems etc.

**Based on AMQP 1.0**

- Open protocol to encourage community development
- Intention is to open-source the clients (statement of direction)
- Language-specific libraries will be provided so the developer doesn't code directly to the AMQP spec
  - Node.js client currently available at [npmjs.org](http://npmjs.org)

**Designed to fit in with what developers are used to**

- How quickly and easily can client libraries be added to your runtime of choice?
- Libraries available via appropriate repositories e.g. *npm install mqlight*



# Current and considered API features

- Message content
  - **Text** and **Binary** message types
  - Message properties
- Message delivery
  - **TTL on messages**
  - **TTL on destinations**
  - Delivery delay
  - **Read-ahead buffer**
  - Require-subscriber (fail publish if no subscribers)
- Quality of service
  - **At most once** message delivery
  - **At least once** message delivery
  - **Acknowledgement of messages in client or application**

(**Bold** = available in MQ Light today!)

# Node.js API design

- Uses callbacks on most API functions, e.g.

```
client.start(function(err) {  
  If (err) {  
    console.log("Connection failed!");  
  }  
});
```

- Event/state-change callbacks

```
client.on('started', function() {  
  console.log("Connection made");  
  console.log("About to published our first message...");  
  ...  
});
```

- No plans to use Promises in the API
  - Better suited to callbacks which are only called once

# Node.js API design

- Whatever object is passed into the send is received by the subscriber

```
client.send(topic, "Hello World");           // Receiver gets a string
client.send(topic, new Buffer([12,32]));      // Receiver gets a buffer
client.send(topic, {color:'red',size:'10'});  // Receiver gets JSON
```

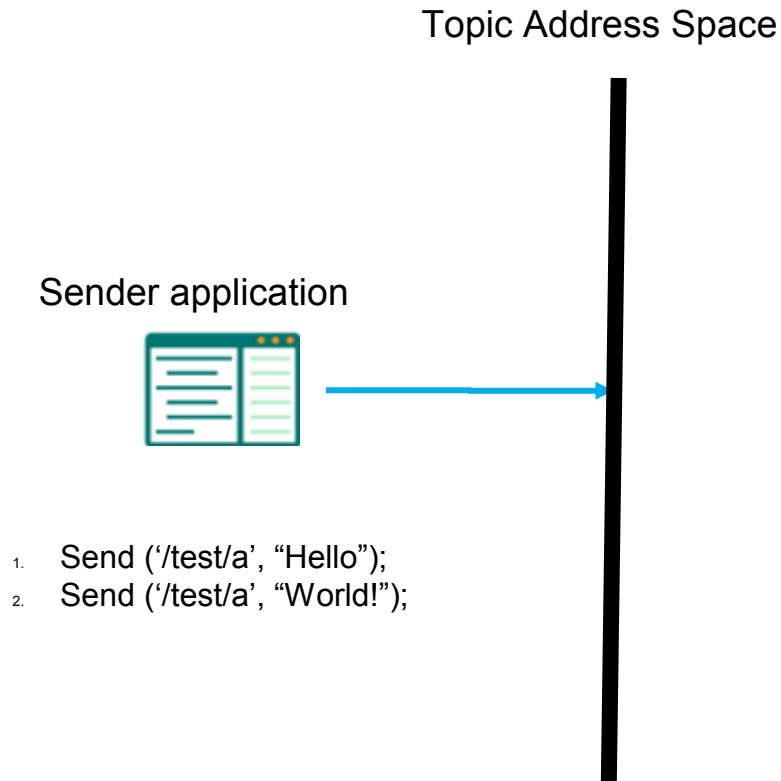
- Many function parameters optional

```
// Simple publish
client.send("sports/football", "Arsenal 1, ManU 0");
```

```
// Publish with some options
client.send("sports/football", "Arsenal 1, ManU 0",
           {deliveryDelay:1000, ttl:100});
```

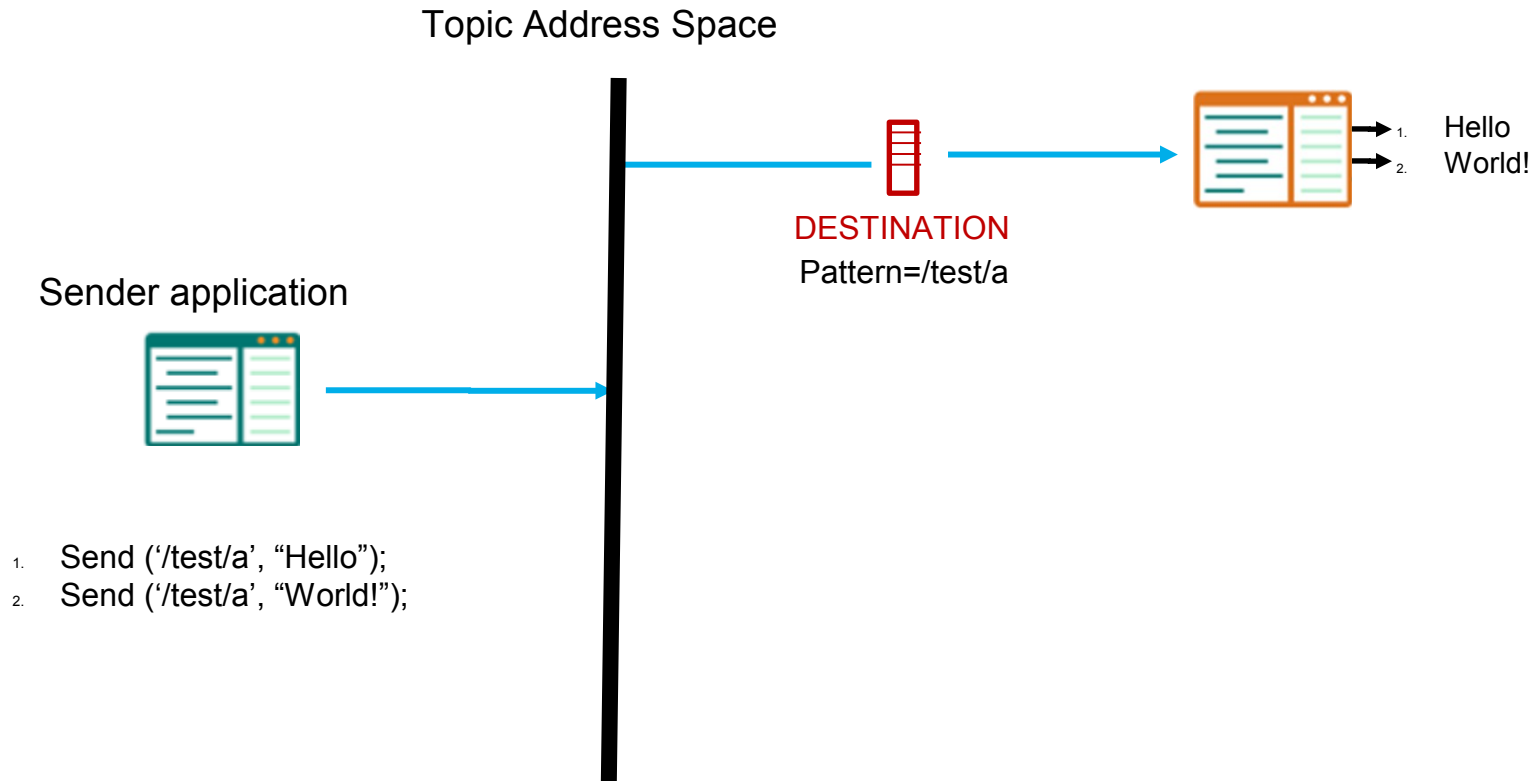
```
// Publish with options and a callback
client.send("sports/football", "Arsenal 1, ManU 0",
           {deliveryDelay:1000, ttl:100},
           function(err) { // Handle failed send });
```

# MQ Light Messaging Model – Send Messages



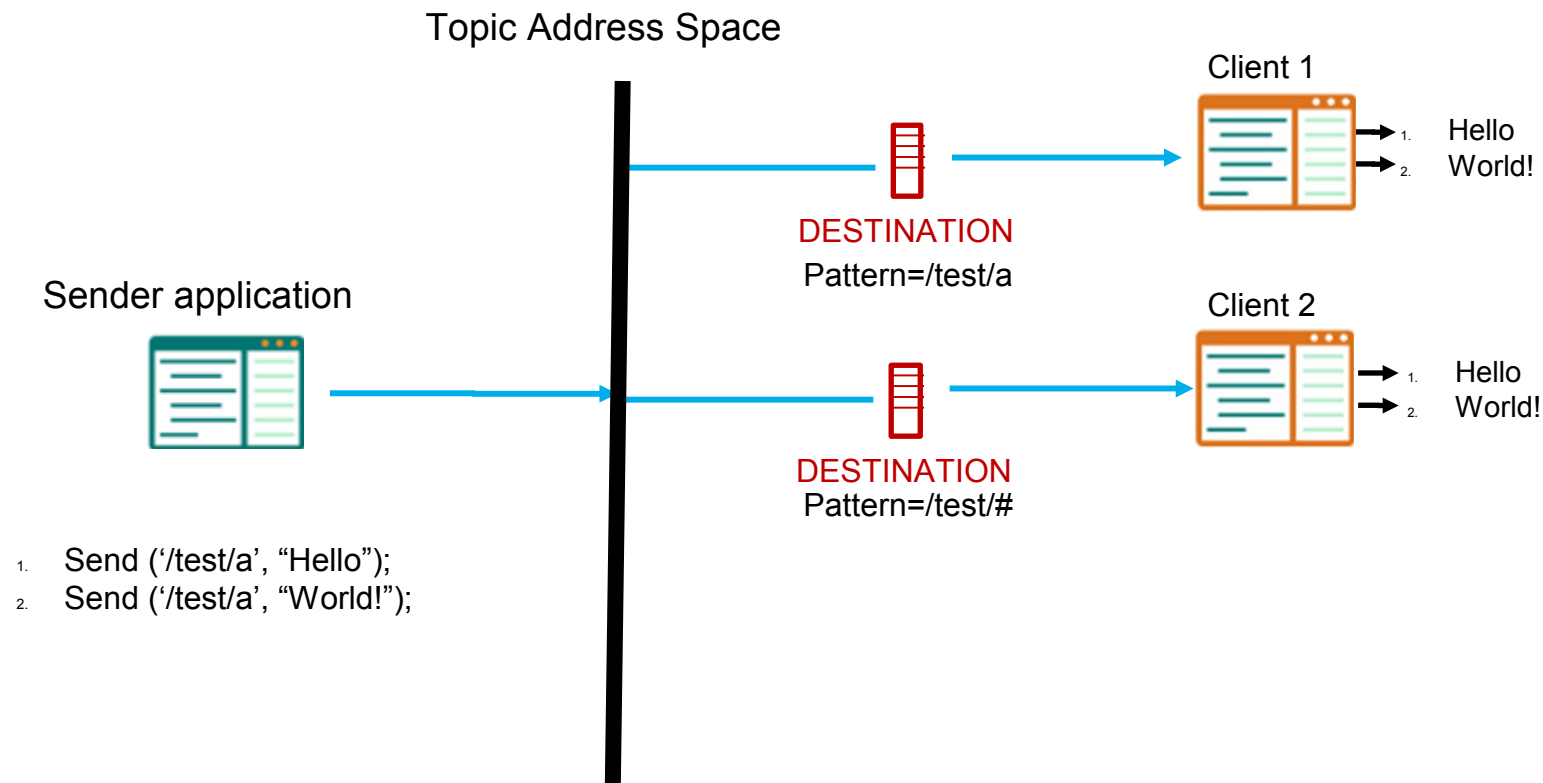
Applications send messages to a **topic**.  
A topic is an address in the topic space  
either flat or arranged hierarchically.

# MQ Light Messaging Model – Simple Receive



- Applications receive messages by creating a **destination** with a pattern which matches the topics they are interested in.
- Pattern matching scheme based on WMQ.

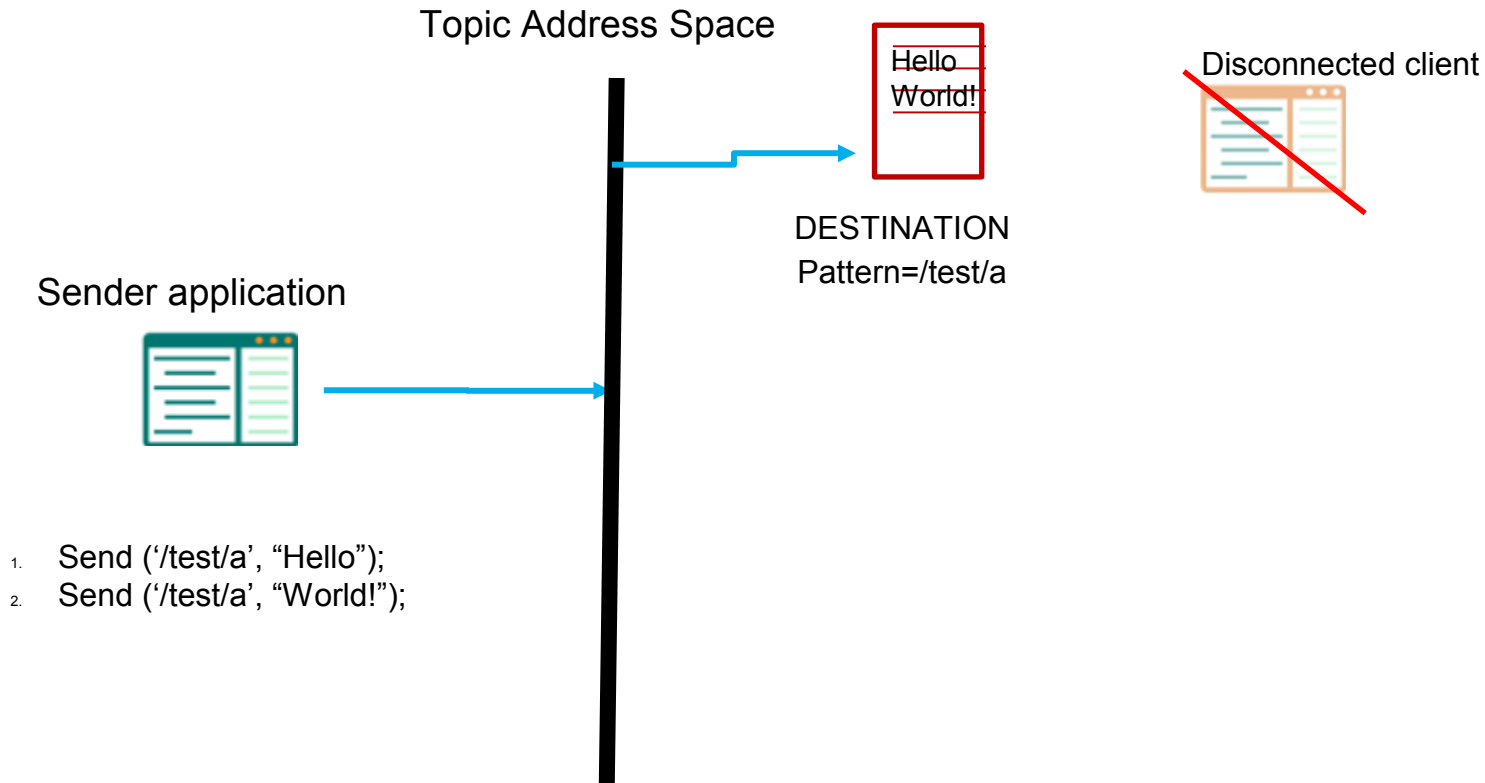
# MQ Light Messaging Model – Pub/Sub



1. Send ('/test/a', "Hello");
2. Send ('/test/a', "World!");

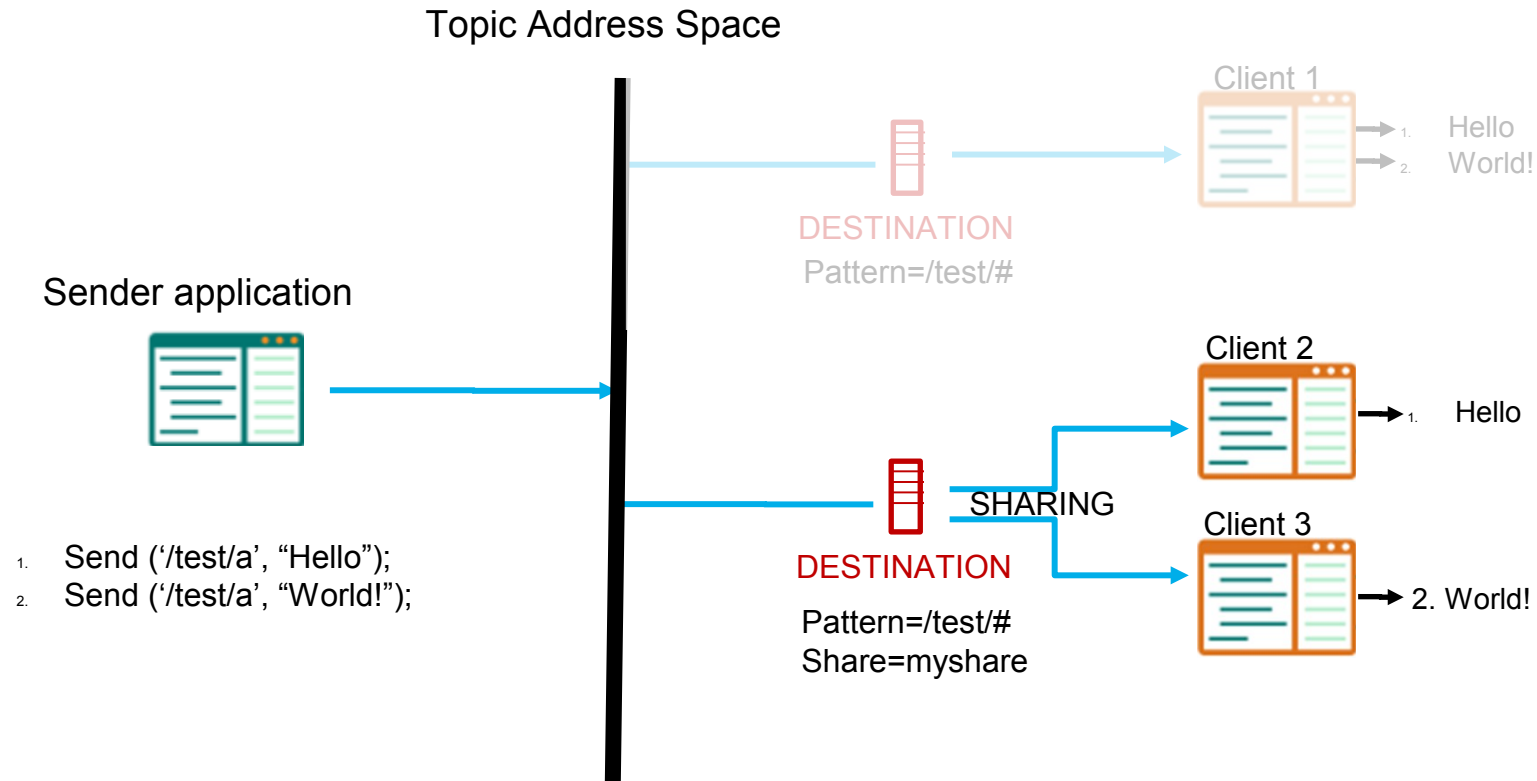
- Multiple destinations can be created which match the same topic
  - Pub/Sub style.

# MQ Light Messaging Model – Persistent destinations



- Destinations persist for a defined “time to live” after receiver detaches.

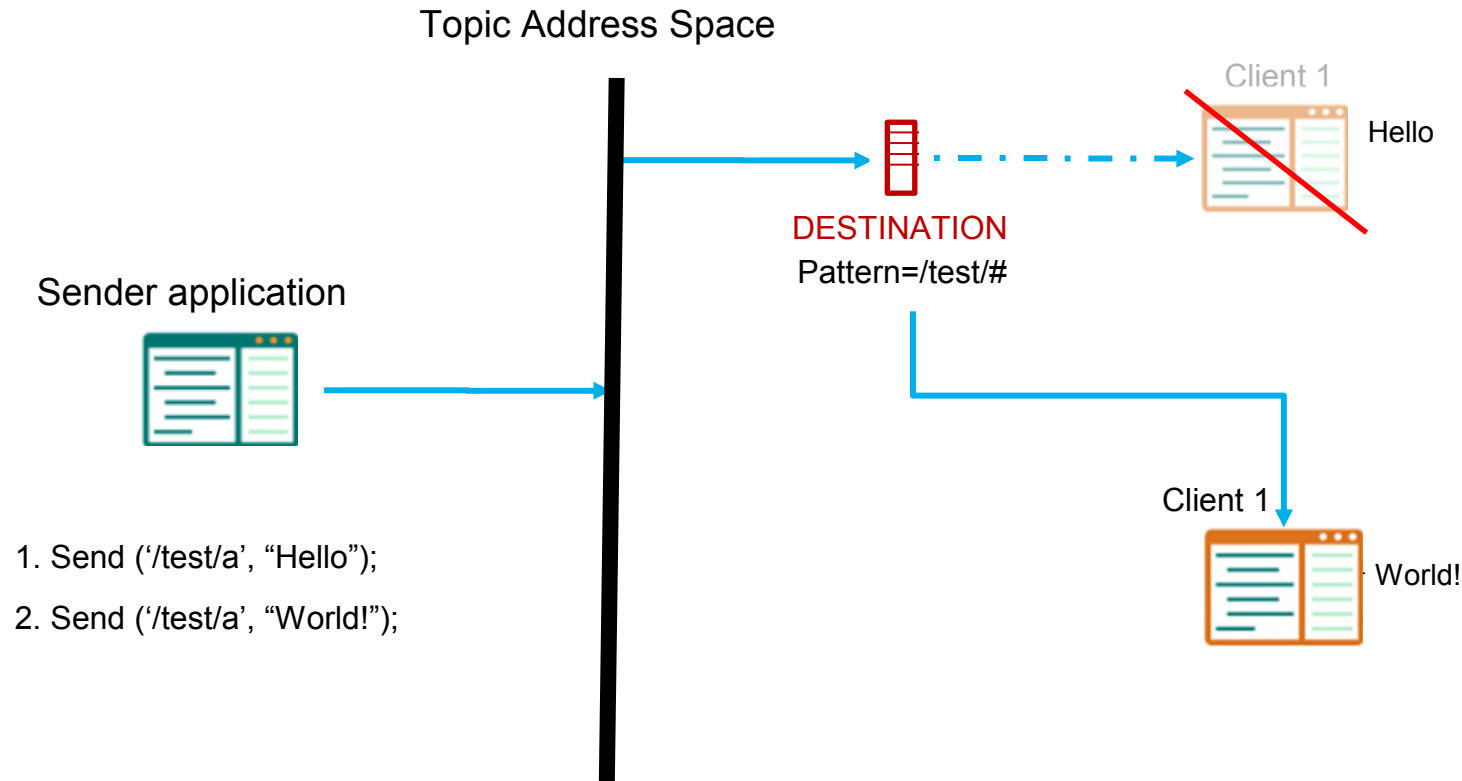
# MQ Light Messaging Model – Sharing



- Clients attaching to the same topic pattern and share name attach to the same shared destination.



# MQ Light Messaging Model – Client takeover



- Applications connect to MQ Light service specify (optional) client ID.
- Re-using the same client ID pre-empt the original connection.
  - Ideal for worker takeover in the cloud.

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IBM MQ Light Runtime

Tooling for developer platforms

Write apps in node.js

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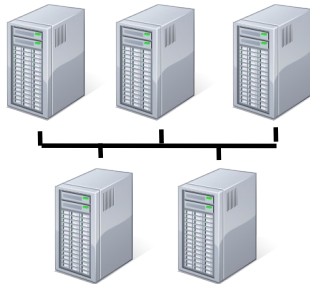
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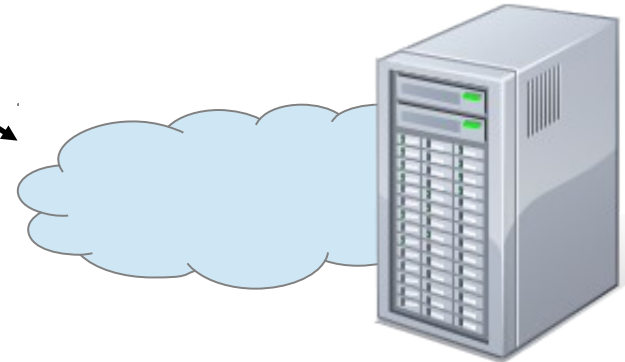


MQ Light Runtime

On-premise application messaging



IBM WebSphere MQ  
Enterprise messaging  
(statement of direction)



MQ Light Service in  
IBM BlueMix

Public cloud messaging

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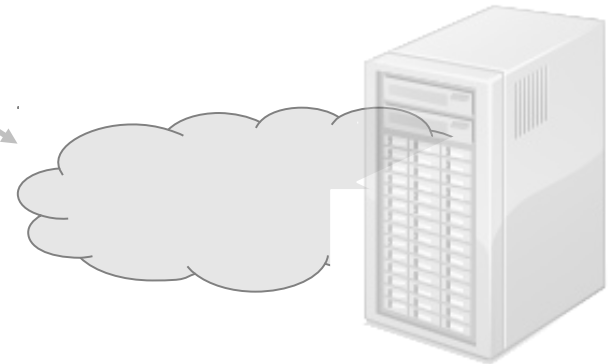
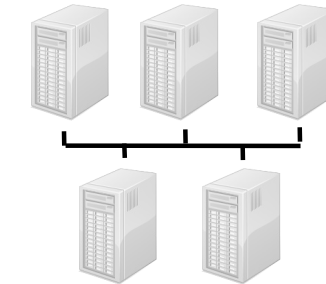
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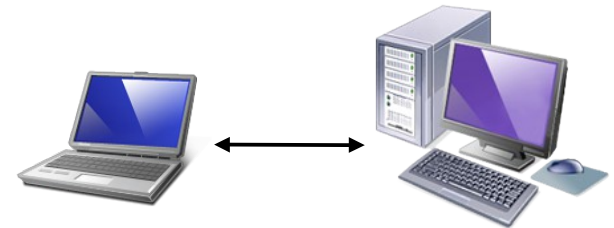
## IBM WebSphere MQ

Enterprise messaging  
(Statement of direction)

# IBM MQ Light – for on-premise deployment

**Some developers will like the new APIs but won't want to deploy to a PaaS**

- Small line-of-business projects, e.g. queueing up builds
- No mission critical features
  - No HA
  - No horizontal scaling



**MQ Light is available to license as the production runtime for messaging applications**

- Specific licensing plan not yet finalised
- Looking at licensing models that work for development teams

**Fully compatible with the IBM MQ Light service in BlueMix**

- Easy to migrate applications to a PaaS at a later point

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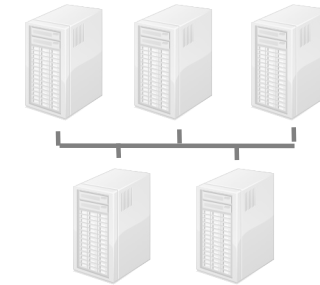
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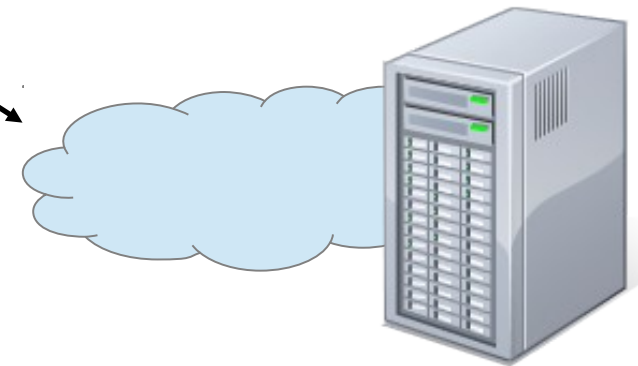
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MQ Light Service in  
IBM BlueMix

Public cloud messaging

# IBM MQ Light Service - Messaging in a PaaS

As well as the standalone MQ Light product we also have a version of MQ Light running in the IBM BlueMix PaaS

- Called the MQ Light Service
- Supports the MQ Light API and JMS
- Admin-free experience
- MQ Light environment automatically provisioned for each user when they request an instance of it
- Applications are linked or 'bound' to the provisioned environment automatically when they are deployed to BlueMix
- **Not** a full MQ experience in the cloud

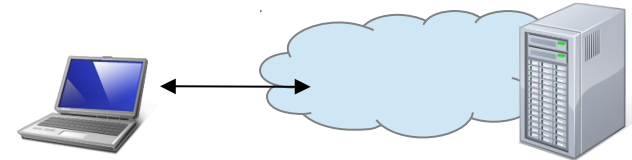


# How does MQ Light fit in PaaS development?

The intention is for MQ Light to provide a development environment for applications that will deploy against IBM MQ Light in BlueMix

Gives the developer 2 choices for development:

1. Develop directly in BlueMix. As you make changes to your code you push the new version straight to BlueMix and check your changes are OK
2. Develop on your laptop using MQ Light. Once you're 90% complete, start pushing your app to BlueMix to try it out in the cloud and iron out any remaining bugs.



**MQ Light offers an offline development environment for the MQ Light API (not JMS)**

- Provides a development version of the messaging service that will be offered in the cloud
- Makes offline application development possible when connectivity to the cloud is not available
- Comparatively small download & install footprint to get you started quickly & easily



# Download & Install Experience

**IBM Messaging** [Blogs](#) [Answers](#)

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## IBM MQ Light



Make applications that are responsive and scale with demand. Simple, robust, powerful messaging.

[Download for Windows 7 64-bit](#)

[Download for a different OS](#)

Latest release: 26th September 2014

[Show Me The Code](#)  
Receive messages using Node.js:

```
var mqlight = require('mqlight');
var recvClient = mqlight.createClient({service:
'amqp://localhost'});
recvClient.on('started', function() {
  recvClient.subscribe('news/technology');
  recvClient.on('message', function(data, delivery) {
    console.log(data);
  });
});
recvClient.start();
```

Send messages using Node.js:

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[www.ibmmdw.net/messaging/mq-light/](http://www.ibmmdw.net/messaging/mq-light/)

# Web Based Tooling

IBM MQ Light

[View Messages](#) [Documentation](#)

Clients: 3 connected 1 disconnected

\*Since last [clear history](#): 0 min

Senders

Sent messages: 4

send.js

4

Messages

All Senders and Receivers

Destination: Any

<1 min

etc.

2 / 2

Details

<1 min

Here are some football results

2 / 2

Details

<1 min

Here is another message

2 / 2

Details

<1 min

Hello World

2 / 2

Details

Receivers

Received messages: 8

recv.js

Destination: public

4

workers

2

Destination: public

4

2

0

0

Details

Privacy Policy Considerations

# Try it all out for yourselves!

The image displays two screenshots. The left screenshot is from the IBM MQ Light website, featuring the IBM MQ Light logo (two overlapping speech bubbles, one blue and one green) and the text "Make applications that are responsive and scale with demand. Simple, robust, powerful messaging." Below this, there is a "Download" button and a "Show Me The Code" section with a code snippet for receiving messages using Node.js. The right screenshot is from the IBM BlueMix dashboard, showing the "IBM Codename: BlueMix Dashboard" with a dark theme. It includes a sidebar with "Space: dev", "ALL (3)", "APPS (3)", and "SERVICES (8)". The main area shows system metrics: "MEMORY: 3GB / 8GB", "APP HEALTH" (green checkmark), and "SERVICES: 0 / 20". Below these are three application cards: "app.js" (App is stopped), "mrwapp.js" (App is stopped), and "webapp-noworker.nodejs" (Your app is running great!).

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# Questions?



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