

# ***Introduction to MQ***

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# Agenda

## ■ Messaging

- ▶ What is messaging and why use it?
- ▶ What does MQ give you?



## ■ Fundamentals of IBM MQ

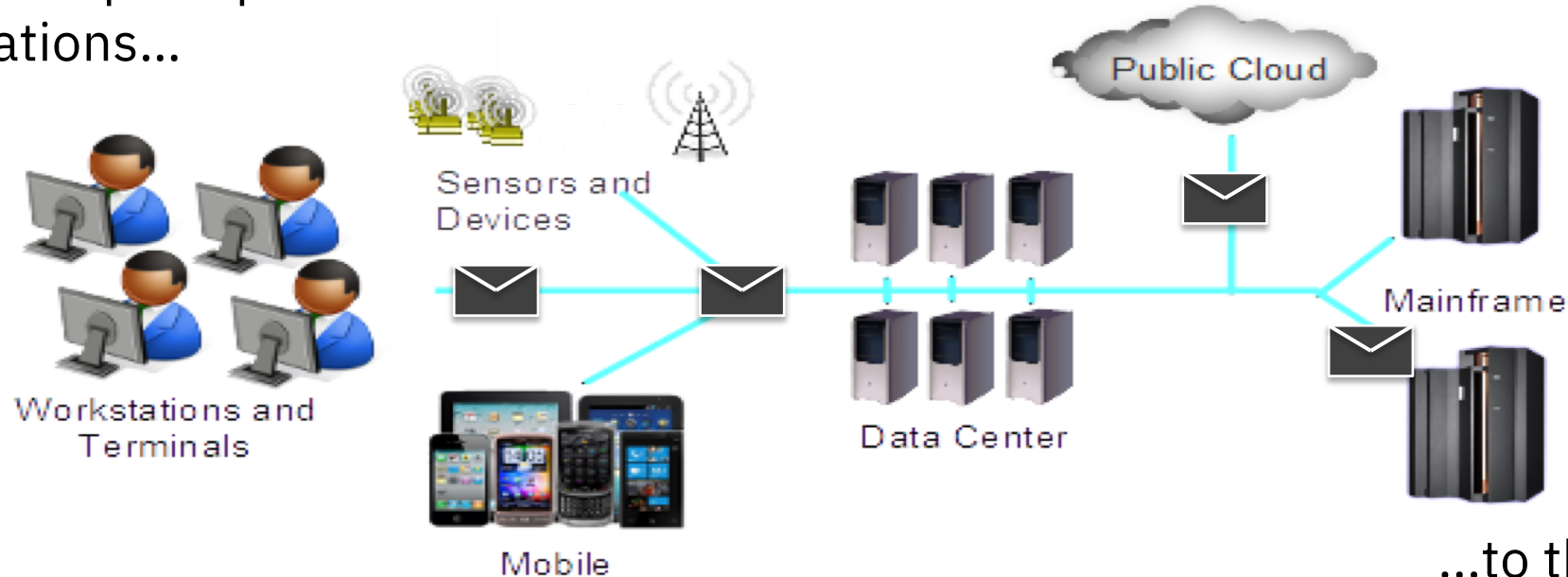
- ▶ Messaging models
- ▶ Key components
- ▶ Messaging applications
- ▶ MQ Environments
- ▶ Security
- ▶ Reliability and availability
- ▶ Administration
- ▶ MQ Advanced



# What is messaging?

- **It connects your applications!**

From the simplest pairs of applications...

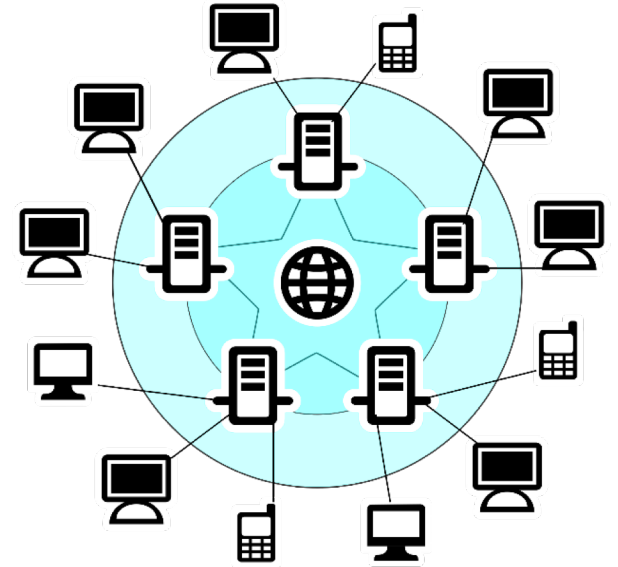


...to the most complex business processes.

- **and breaks the tight coupling...**

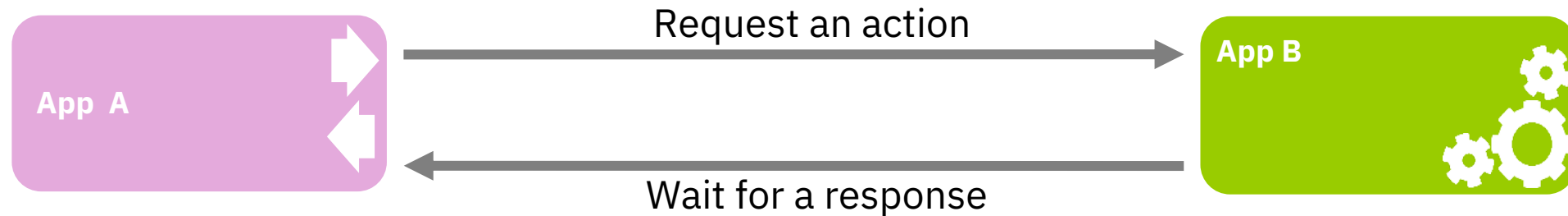
# Why use it?

- **Extended reach**
- **Reliability**
- **Scalability**
- **Flexibility**
- **Provides for simplification of application development**
  - ▶ Ubiquity
  - ▶ Easy to change and scale
  - ▶ Focus on the business logic
- **Important regardless of the initial scale of deployment**





# Direct communication between applications



- **Issues with this 'synchronous' approach**

- ▶ Both applications A and B **must always** be available for A to continue
- ▶ A cannot do anything whilst B is processing A's request
- ▶ What if B fails whilst A is waiting for it to complete?
- ▶ What if B needs to handle a high workload of different priority requests?

# Fragility of tight coupling

As systems become more tightly coupled, their reliance on each other increases

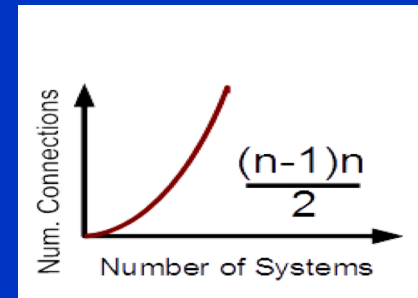
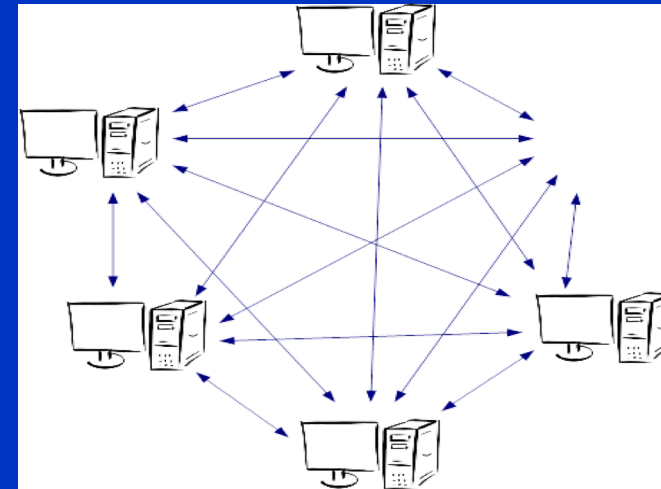
The cost of a failure of a process increases

Maximum number of connections goes up with the square of the number of systems

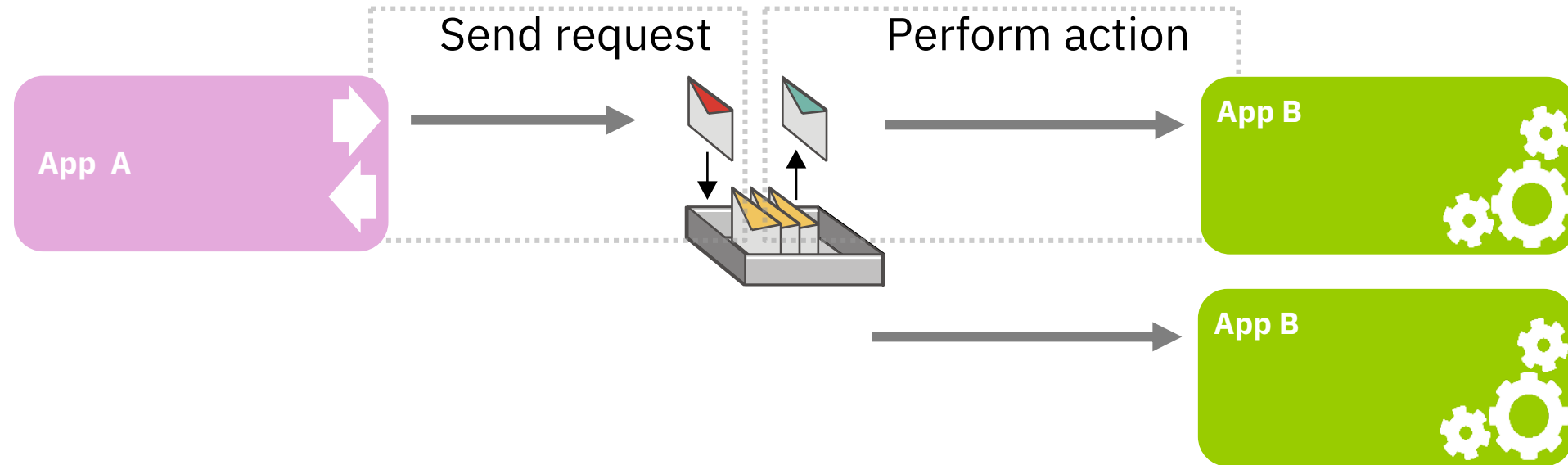
Scaling systems independently to respond to requirements becomes unmanageable

A process was originally designed for one, well-defined, purpose...it then needed to change to meet new requirements

Being able to respond rapidly to internal and external challenges by rapidly modifying existing services gives a competitive advantage

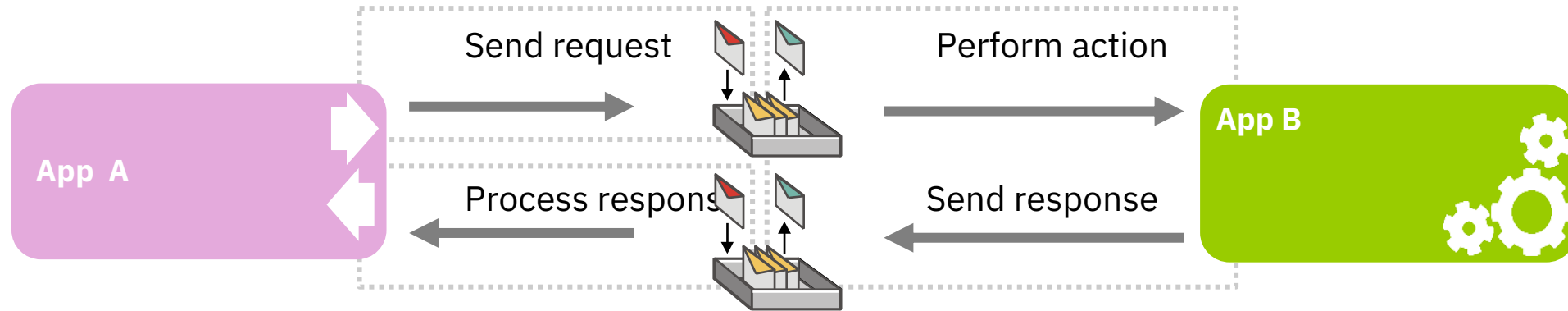


# Adding flexibility with Messaging



- A 'queue' is placed between the two applications
  - ▶ Allows A to continue immediately, without waiting for B
  - ▶ Allows B to efficiently process a queue of work
  - ▶ Overcomes availability of B versus A – “store and forward” of messages

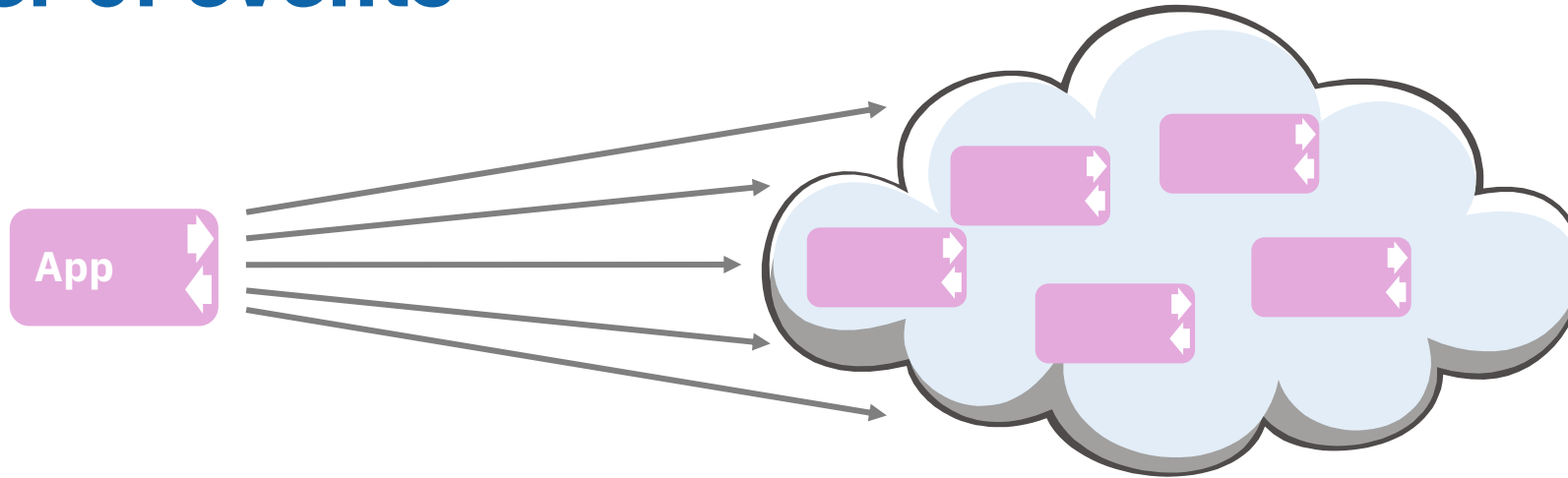
# What if I NEED a response?



- **Using messaging still adds value!**

- ▶ Process the response whenever it becomes available
  - *No need for A to be idle whilst the request is performed*
- ▶ Application B processes its workload efficiently and can handle spikes in load
- ▶ Application, network and infrastructure failures are handled

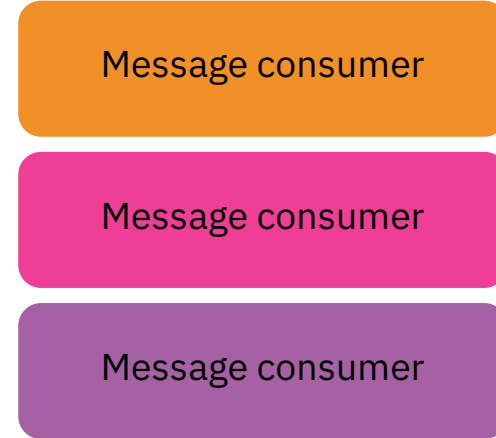
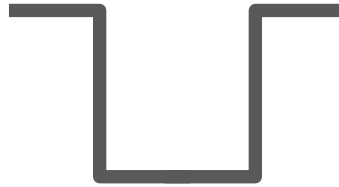
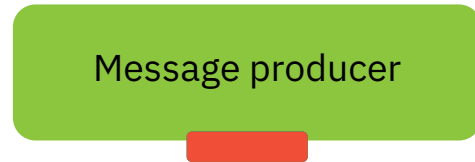
# The power of events



- **Not all information is distributed on a one-to-one basis**
- **Think about streams of information**
  - ▶ Regularly updated information - such as stock prices or sensor data
  - ▶ Business events - such as 'new customer' or 'purchase'
- **Publish / Subscribe messaging is the solution!**
  - ▶ The owner of the information simply ***publishes*** it on a ***topic***
  - ▶ Anybody who is interested simply ***subscribes*** to the ***topic***

# ***Messaging Models***

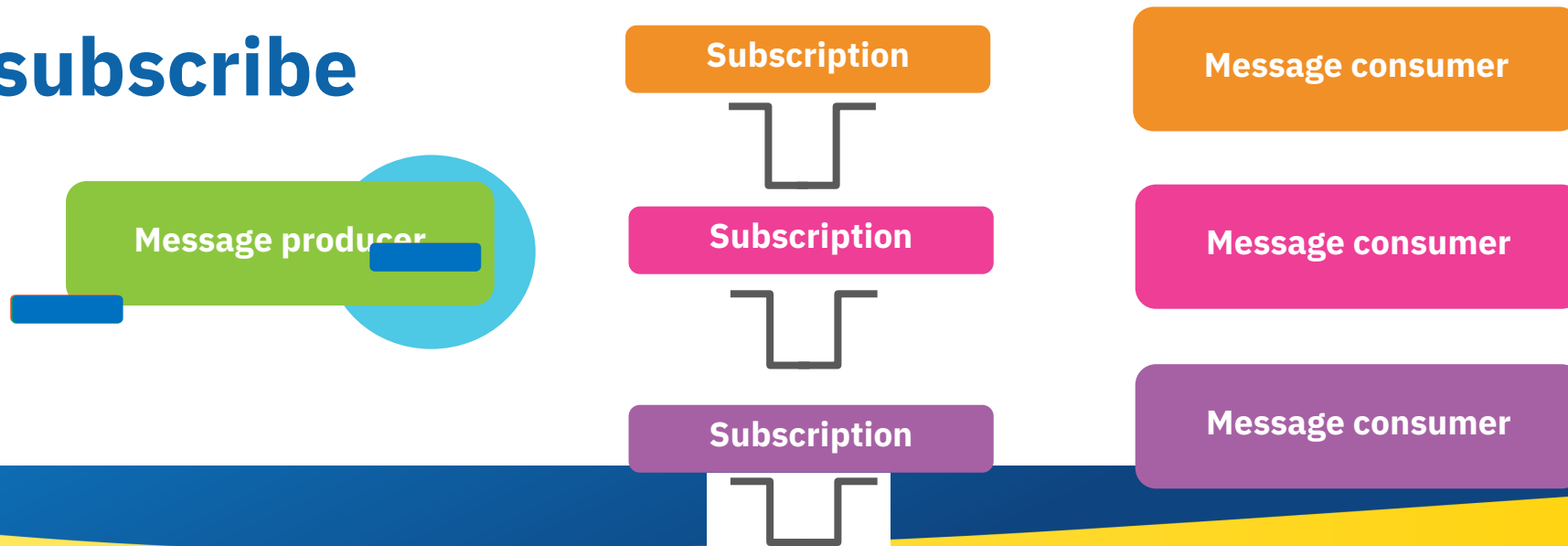
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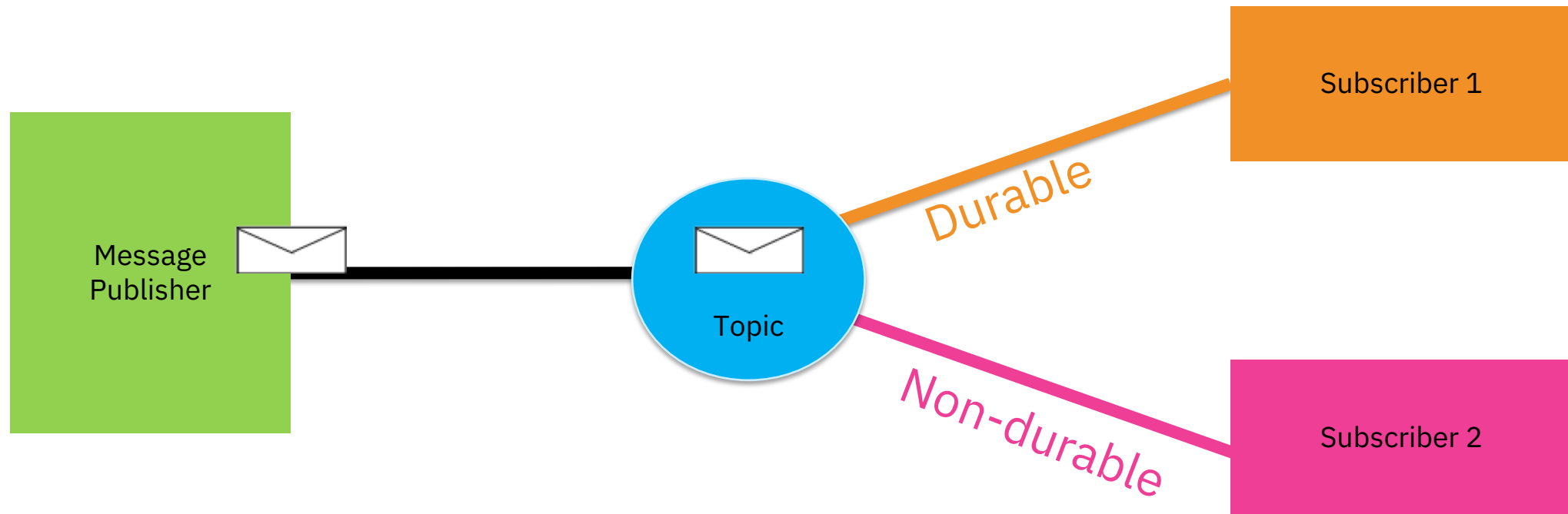
# Publish/subscribe





# Durable publish/subscribe in action

- Durable subscriptions result in published messages being retained when the subscriber is not connected to the messaging provider.



***IBM MQ***

# IBM MQ timeline

MQSeries

WebSphere MQ

IBM MQ



MQI  
Assured  
delivery

Multi-  
platform

Pub/sub

Mobile

XML

JMS  
SSL  
SOAP

.NET

Common  
criteria  
Eclipse

HTTP  
AJAX  
REST  
Web 2.0

Managed  
File Transfer

JMS 1.1  
RCMS

Multi-instance  
QMGR

Hypervisors

Integrated  
Messaging

Multiple cluster  
XMIT queue

System Pattern  
Application Pattern

MQ Light developer toolkit  
and Bluemix service

MQ Light  
channels

MQ on  
IBM Cloud

1990s

2000s

2010s

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IBM MQ  
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IBM MQ  
Advanced  
Message  
Security

IBM  
MessageSight

IBM MQ  
Advanced  
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Developers

IBM MQ  
Appliance

First LTS  
RELEASE:  
June 2016  
Two delivery  
models:  
1) Long Term  
Service  
2) Continuous  
Delivery

V6

V7

V7.0.1

V7.1

V7.5

V8

V9

V9.1

New LTS  
Release:  
Aug 2018

# What MQ adds to messaging

## Enterprise Messaging

### Reliability

Assured message delivery “Once and once only”

Resiliency and high availability of the infrastructure

Continued support and interoperability of systems for over twenty years

### Scalability

High performance solution

Incremental growth of applications and infrastructure

### Ubiquity

Breadth of support for platforms and environments

Multiple application environments and APIs to suit many styles

### Security

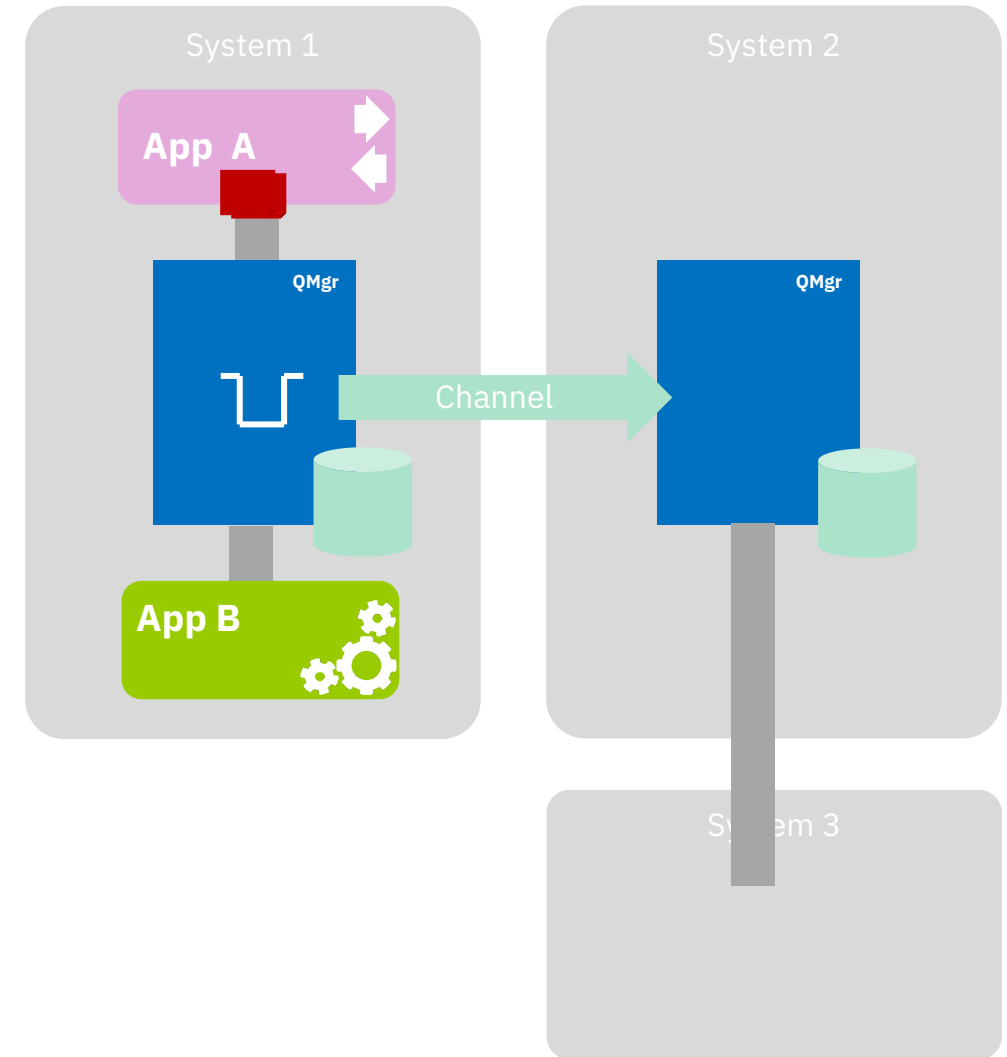
Data encryption and integrity

End use authentication and authorisation

Audit trails for configuration and data flows

# Anatomy of an MQ system

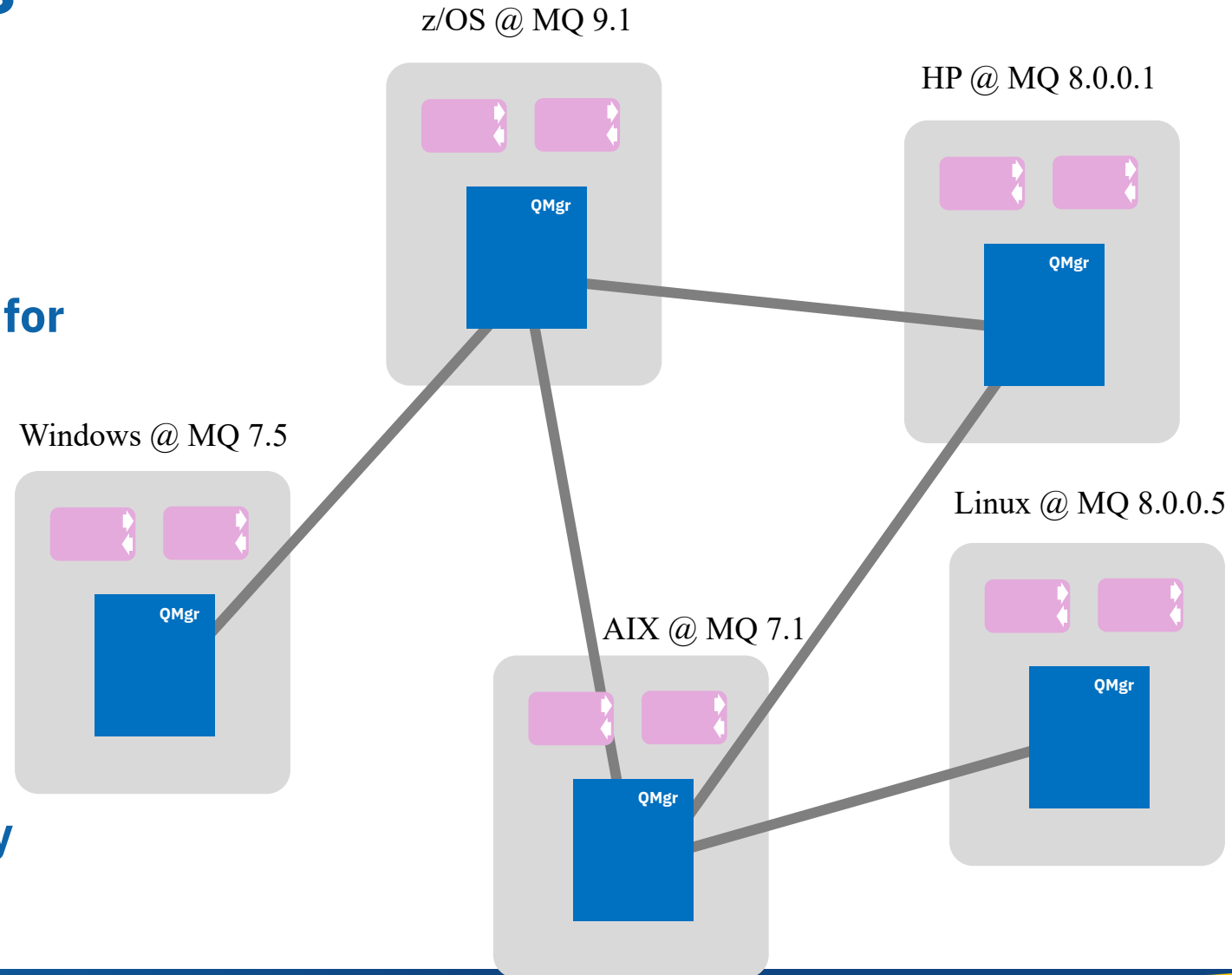
- **Applications**
  - ▶ Applications use MQ clients to connect to an MQ **queue manager**
  - ▶ Applications can connect to queue managers either on the same system (*BINDINGS mode*) or remotely over a network (*CLIENT mode*)
- **Queue Managers**
  - ▶ A queue manager is a runtime that hosts messaging resources such as **queues** and their **messages**
  - ▶ A queue manager manages the flow and storage of messages
  - ▶ Each queue manager runs on a single system
  - ▶ Multiple queue managers can be connected together using **channels** and messages routed between them
- **Queues**
  - ▶ Queues are a named resource where messages sent to by applications, stored by the queue manager and retrieved by applications
- **Messages**
  - ▶ Are just chunks of data
  - ▶ Applications build messages to send and receive
- **Channels**
  - ▶ Channels define a way for one queue manager to connect to another queue manager
  - ▶ Channels can be manually configured or dynamically created as and when needed using **MQ Clusters**



***IBM MQ***  
***IBM MQ Architecture***

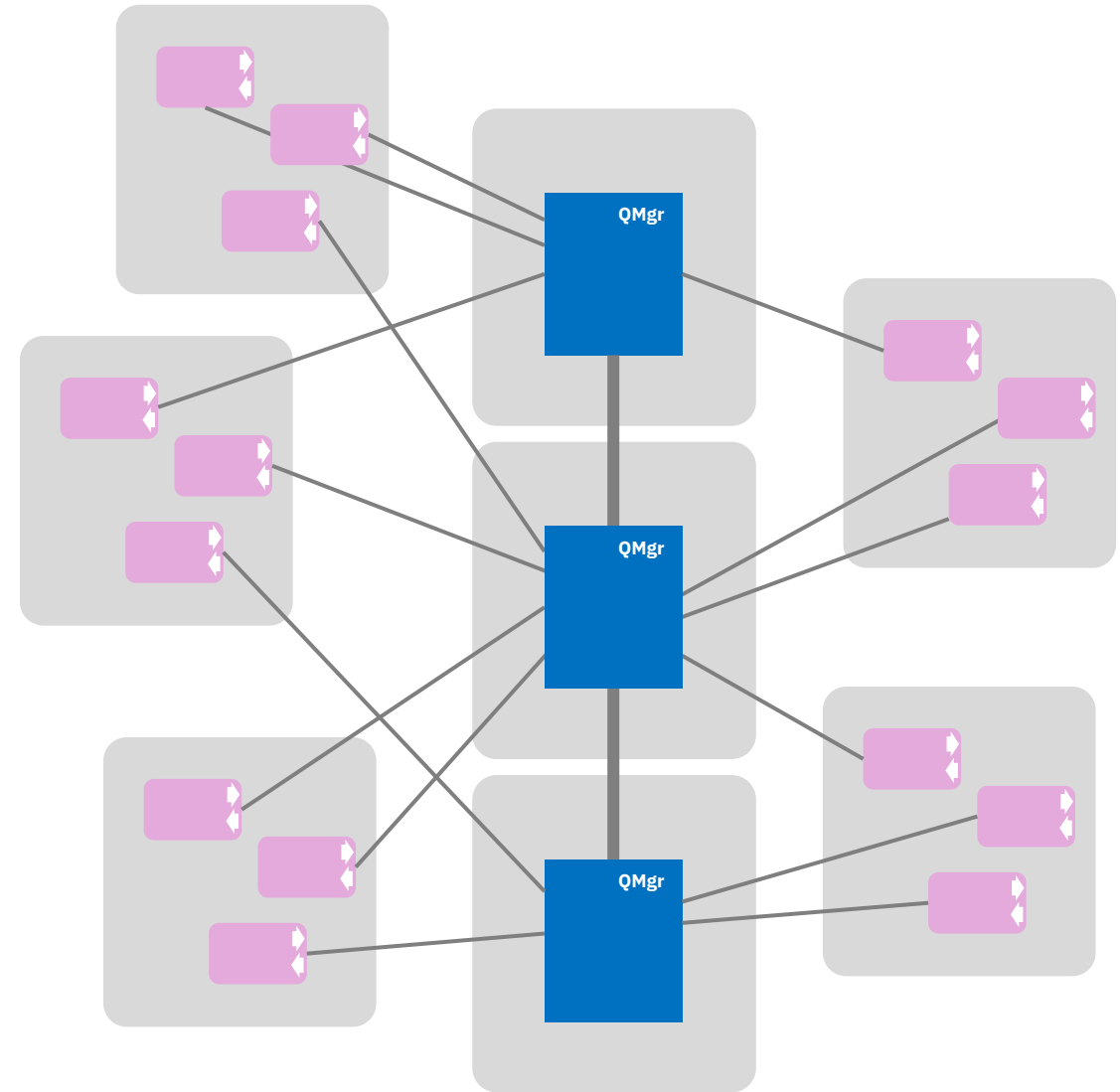
# Distributed Architectures

- Used for connectivity of heterogeneous systems
- “Store and Forward” system to account for network outages
- This is the ‘original’ deployment pattern for MQ
- Queue managers will interoperate with other queue managers and clients at any other version of MQ



# MQ hub architecture

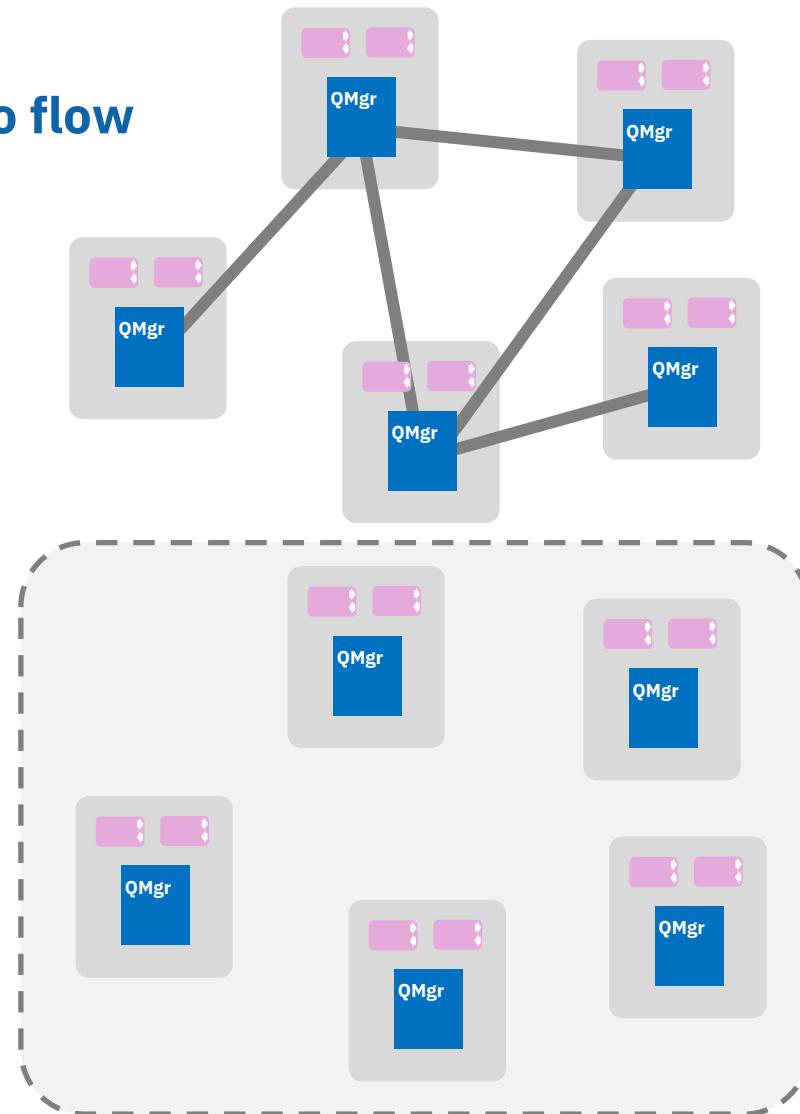
- A 'hub' of systems running queue managers on a standard deployment
- Applications connect as clients from remote systems
- This pattern has gained popularity as networks improve and administration costs go up





# Connecting queue managers together

- Channels connect queue managers together, allowing messages to flow between them
- Two options:
  - ▶ Manual configuration of channels
    - Each channel relationship must be defined on both ends
    - Additional resource also need to be defined (***transmission queues*** and ***remote queues***)
  - ▶ MQ clusters
    - Once queue managers join a cluster (a pair of special channels must be defined) they can route messages to any other clustered resource in the cluster without requiring further, per queue manager, configuration.
    - As queue manager networks grow, clusters become a benefit
    - Clusters also enable workload balancing and availability routing of messages



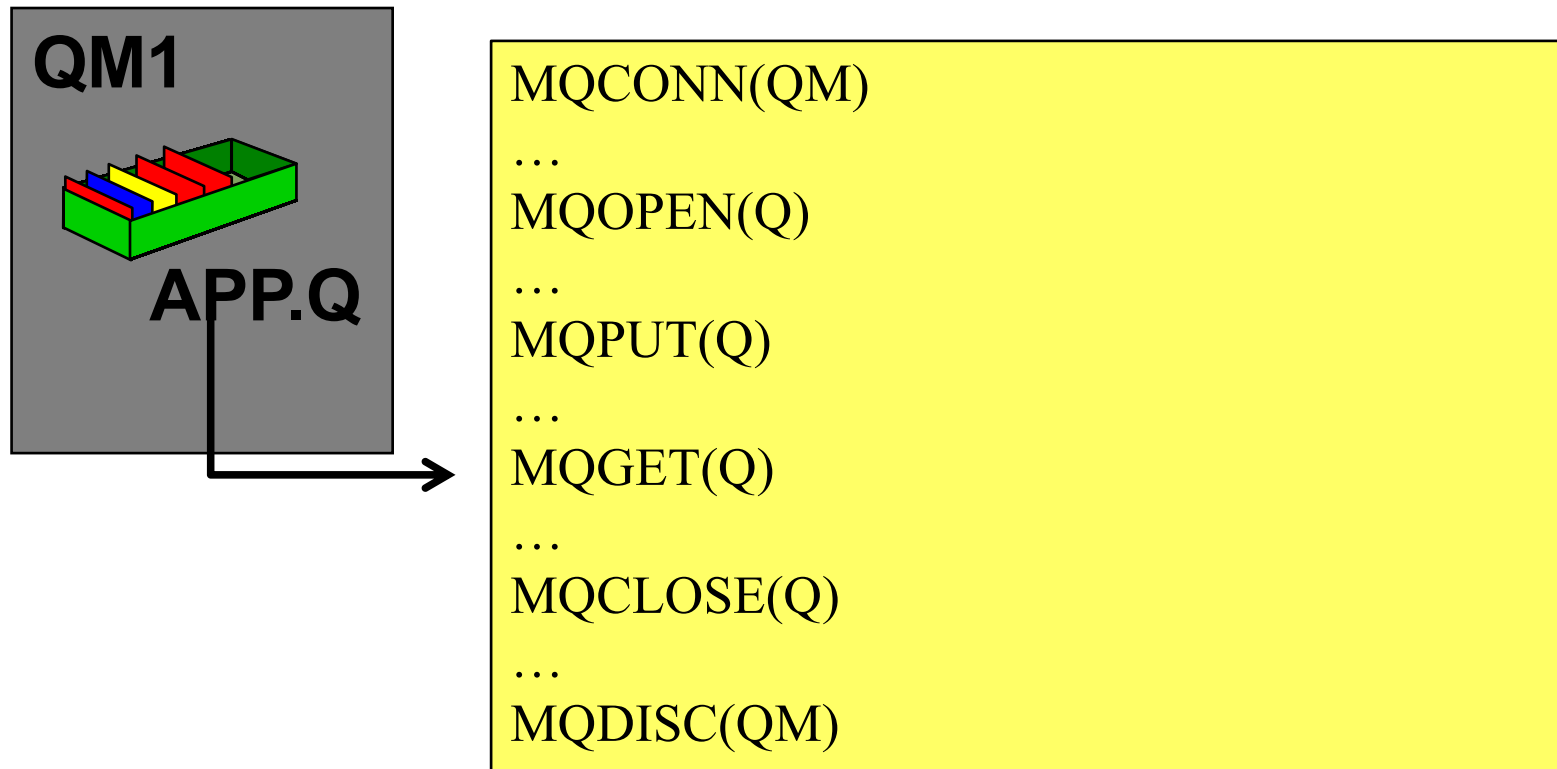
# *IBM MQ* *Applications*

# MQ APIs – How do I connect my apps to my queue manager?

- MQI
- JMS
- MQ Light API
- MQTT
- REST API Messaging (point to point only!)

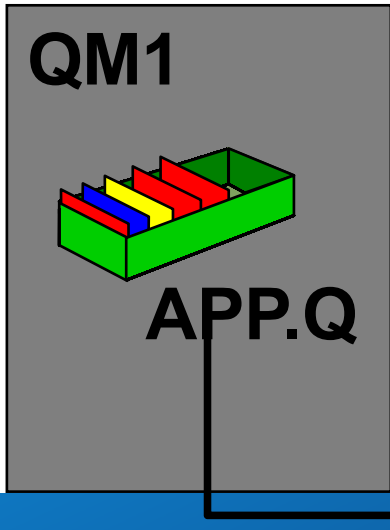
# MQ APIs - MQI (MQ Interface)

- C, COBOL, Java
- MQ's proprietary API offering full access to MQ's capabilities



# MQ APIs - Java Message Service (JMS/XMS)

- **JMS is part of the JEE specification.**
  - ▶ Fully supported in application servers such as WSAS, Liberty, WebLogic and more
- **Simplifies programming for Java developers**
- **No MQ coding knowledge needed!**
- **XMS syntactically the same as JMS V1.1 but for C, C++ and C#**



```
// Lookup the MQ specific objects in JNDI
Context jndiContext      = new InitialContext();
ConnectionFactory cf      = (ConnectionFactory) jndiContext.lookup("jms/QM1");
Destination dest         = (Destination) jndiContext.lookup("jms/APP.Q");

// Establish a connection with the queue manager & create JMS objects
JMSContext context       = cf.createContext();
JMSConsumer consumer     = context.createConsumer(dest);

// Get a message
Message msg = consumer.receive();
```

# MQ APIs - MQ Light

- AMQP based API
- Node.js, Java, Ruby
- Connects cloud applications to MQ!

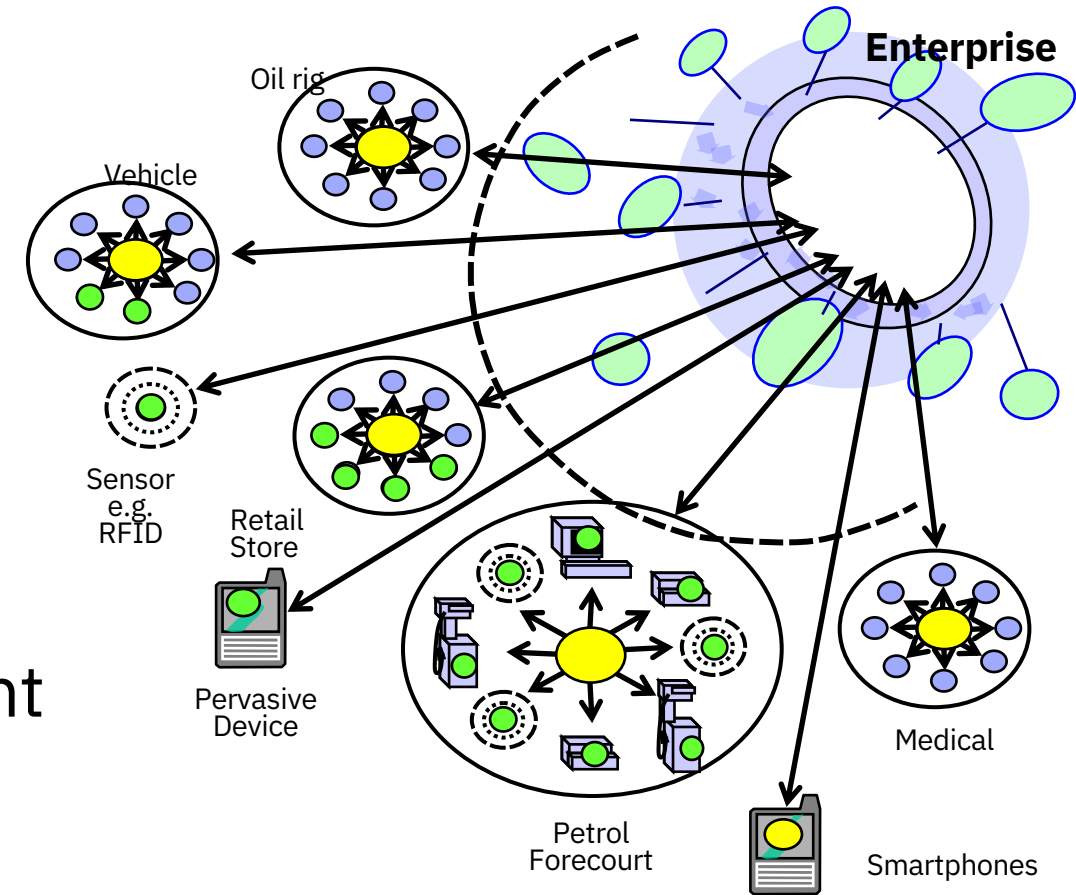
MQ Light



```
# Receive:
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);
  });
});
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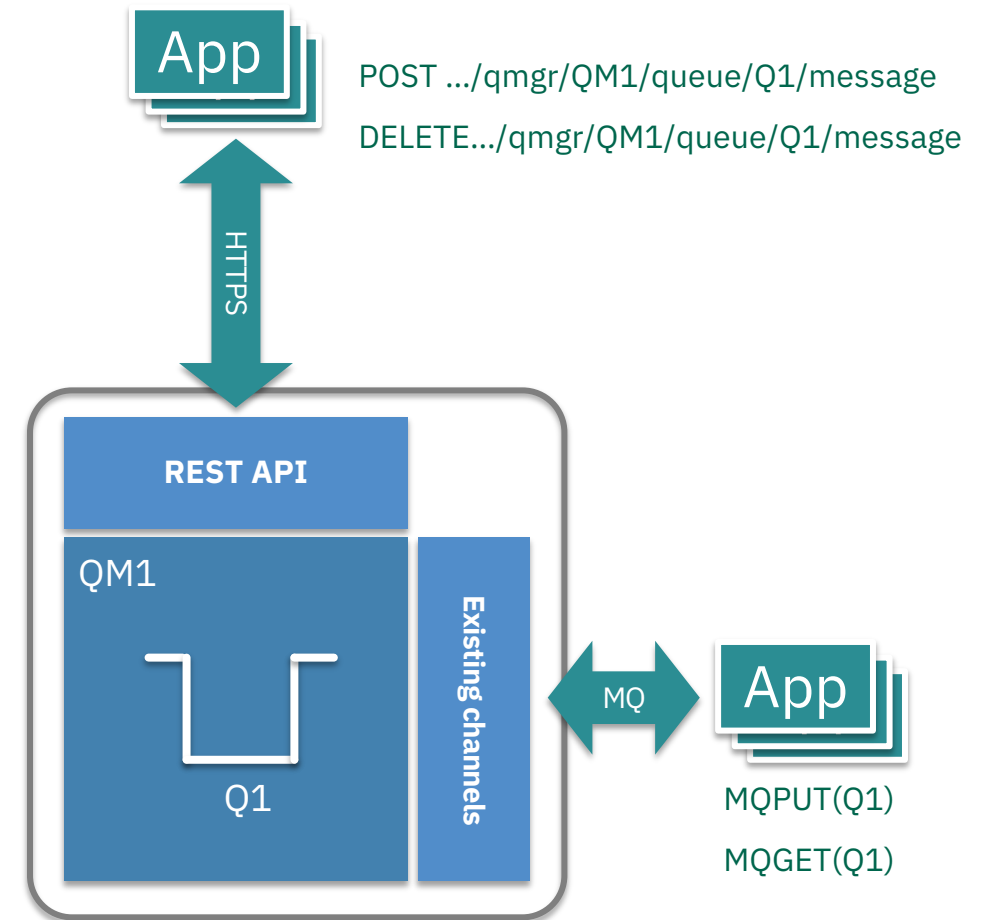
# MQ APIs - MQ Telemetry (MQTT)

- Product extension supports connectivity for smart devices to the enterprise
- Utilises the open standard MQTT protocol
  - a lightweight, public, low bandwidth messaging protocol for scenarios where enterprise messaging clients are too big or bandwidth intensive.
- Java, C and JavaScript libraries provided, but you can “roll your own” that implement the MQTT v3 spec



# REST Messaging

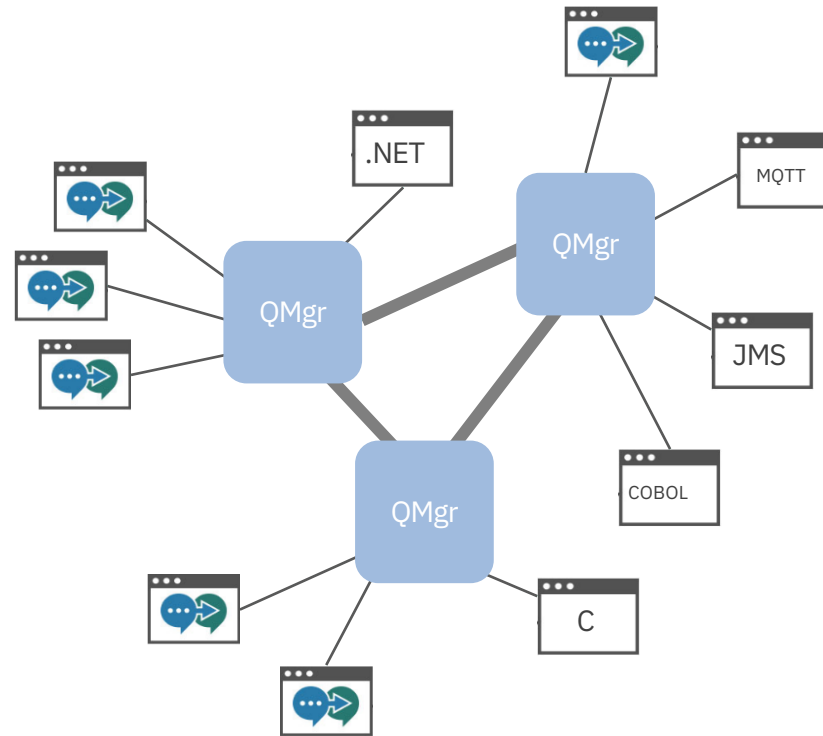
- The new HTTP server support in MQ 9.0.x provides the platform for a properly integrated REST API solution
- Allowing applications to put and get messages from a queue without installing any MQ software locally
- Ideal for environments with native REST support, such as common JavaScript libraries including NodeJS, and AngularJS
- Can only be used for point to point messaging
- For full functionality and resiliency an MQ client should still be used





# Messaging APIs

- All interoperate with each other!
  - Any application can receive messages from any other application





# “Once and once only delivery”

## ■ Message persistence

### ▶ Persistent messages

- Stored to disk
- Queued messages are recovered following a server failure
  - No matter what the failure, as long as the disks are intact, so will your messages be

### ▶ Non-persistent messages

- Kept in memory as much as possible (better performance)
- Queued messages are lost in the event of a server failure or restart

## ■ Transactions

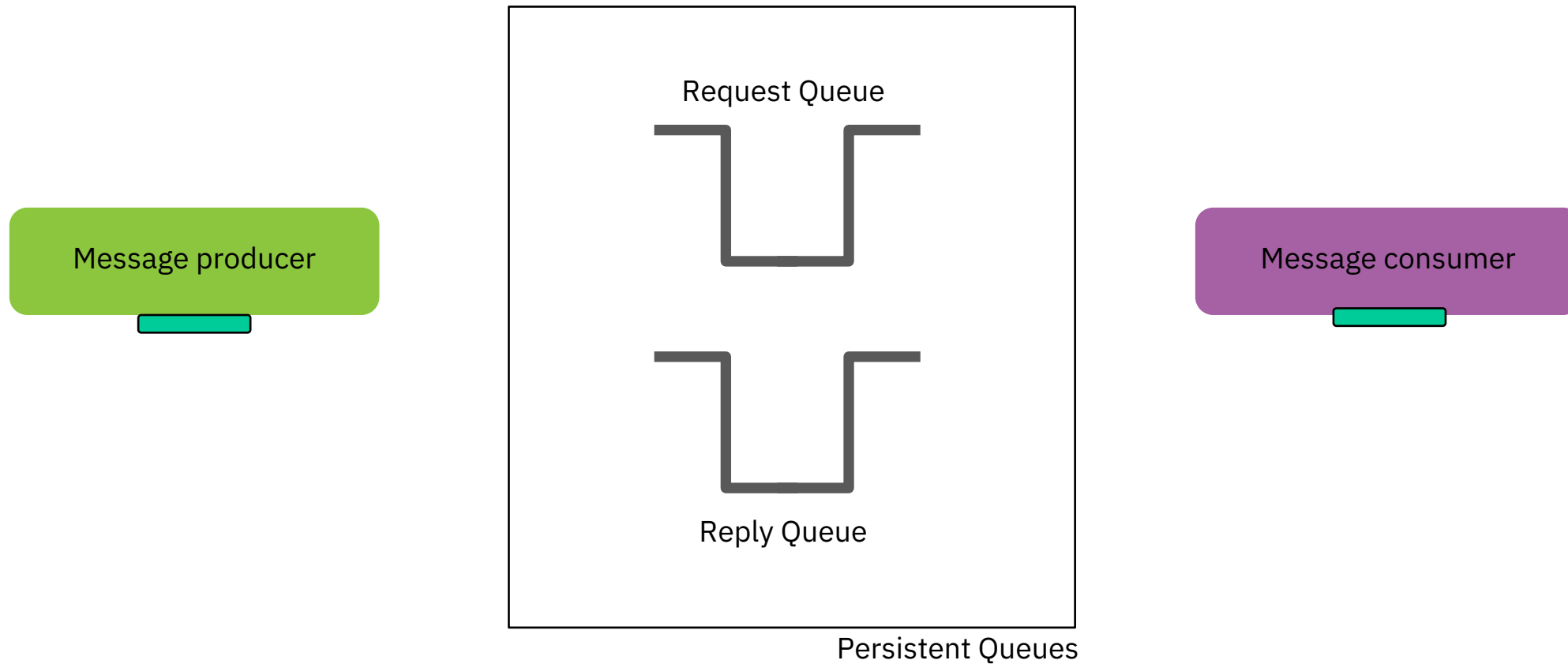
- ▶ Multiple messaging operations can be coordinated as a transaction
- ▶ Messaging applications are often updating other resources based on messages
  - E.g. Receive a message, insert the data to a database
- ▶ MQ applications can coordinate messaging operations with other transactional resources
  - A queue manager can be an XA transaction coordinator
  - Or coordinated externally, for example a JEE application server such as WebSphere Application Server
- ▶ Available in MQI, JMS and XMS APIs

- ***Combining persistent messages with transactions gives you once and once only delivery of messages from an application’s point of view***

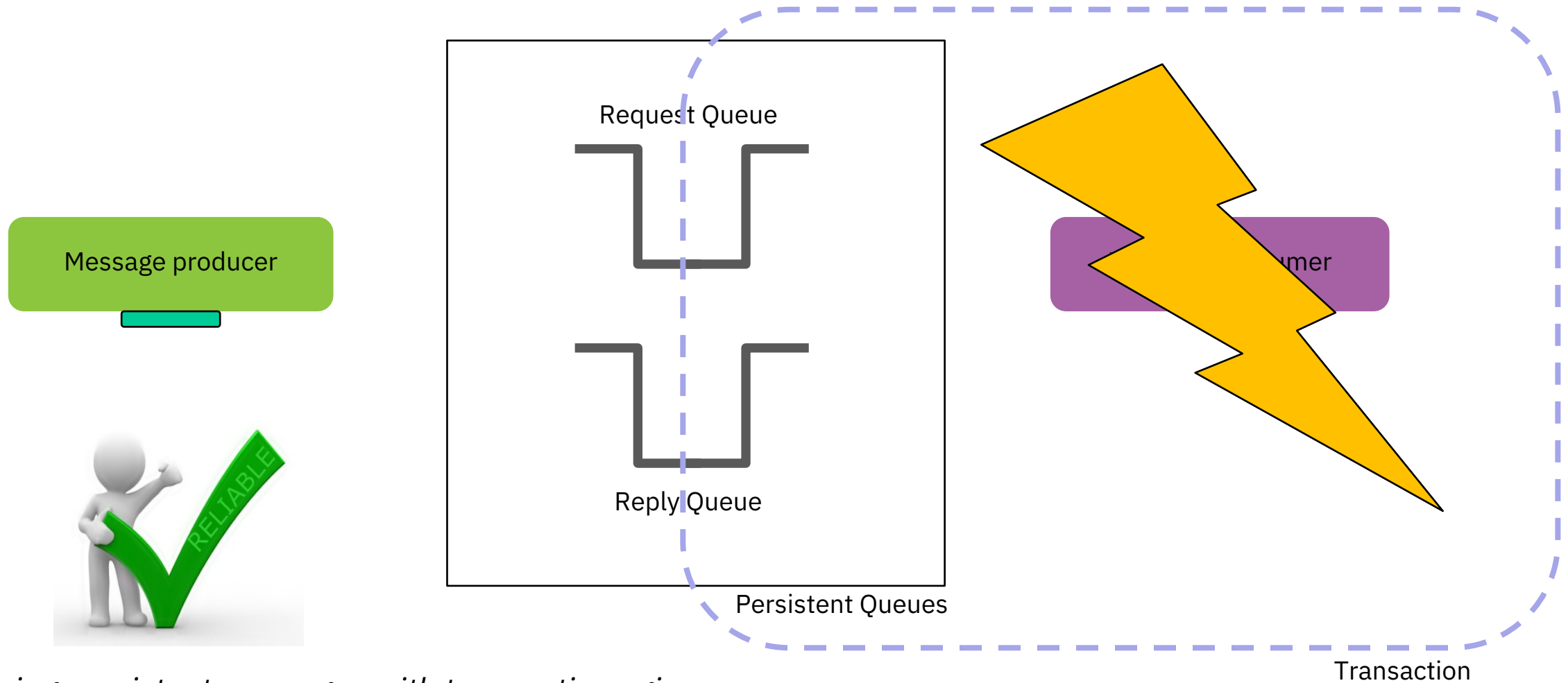


# Transactional Messaging

- Non Persistent
- Persistent



# Transactional Messaging



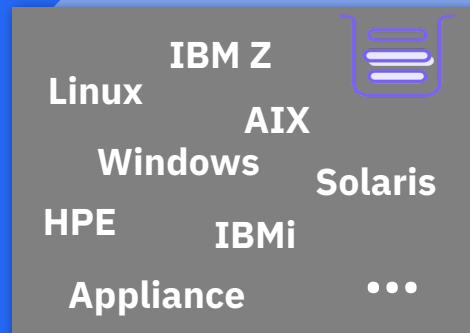
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***Environments***  
***On-premise & Cloud***

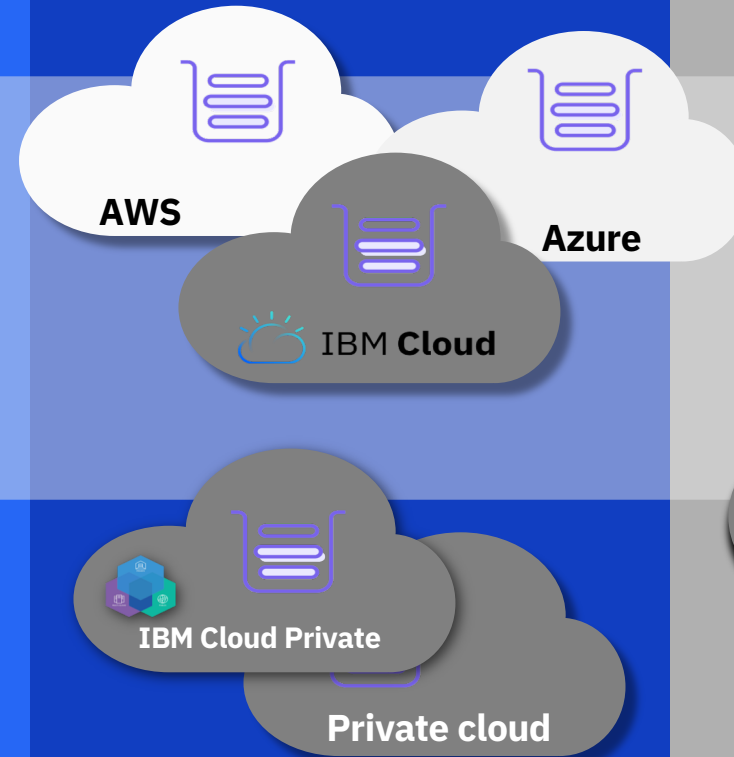
- Run IBM MQ in any location or cloud exactly as you need it



- On-premise, software and the MQ Appliance



- Run it yourself in any cloud, public or private

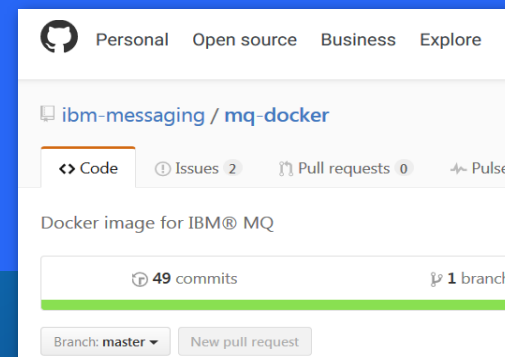
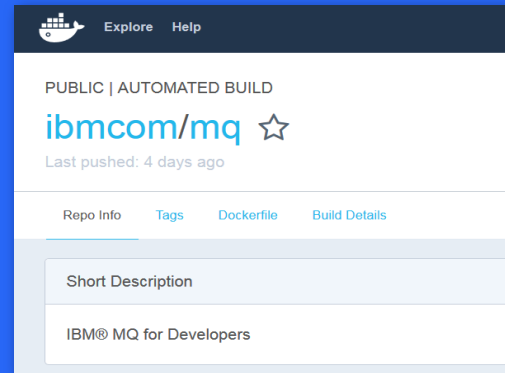


- Let IBM host it for you with its new managed MQ service in IBM Cloud

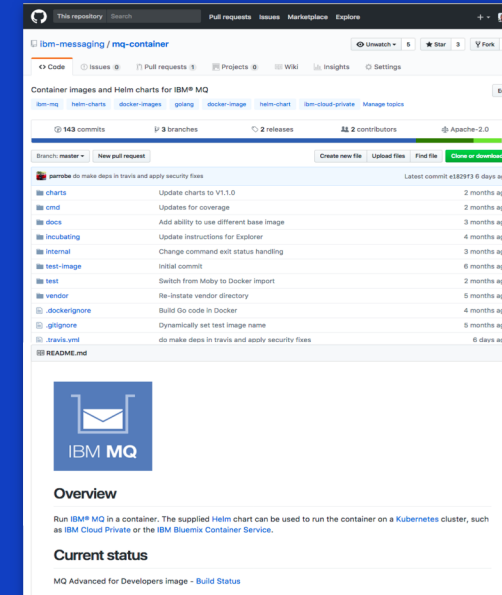


## ■ MQ in Containers

- MQ has been supporting Docker containers since 2015 with images on Docker Hub and Docker Store and sample setups on Github



- More recently it has been demonstrating how to get the most from containers using Kubernetes



- And now MQ Advanced is available as a fully supported product with IBM Cloud Private, a Kubernetes-based solution from IBM





# MQ on IBM Cloud

Provision queue managers directly into IBM Cloud

IBM owns the infrastructure and the responsibility to keep the systems up to date and running

The customer owns the configuration and the monitoring of the messaging

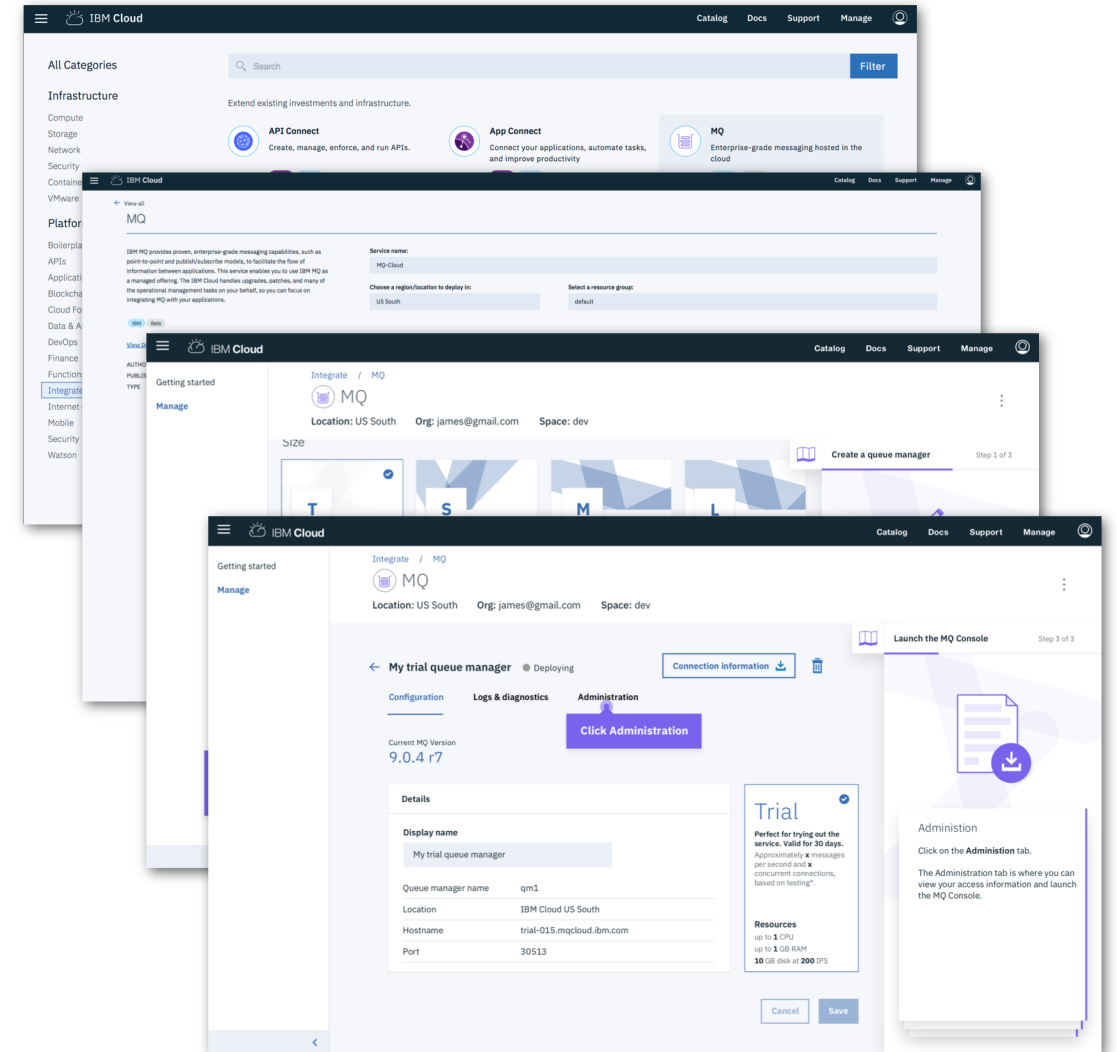
Try the service for free at:

[console.bluemix.net/catalog/services/mq](https://console.bluemix.net/catalog/services/mq)

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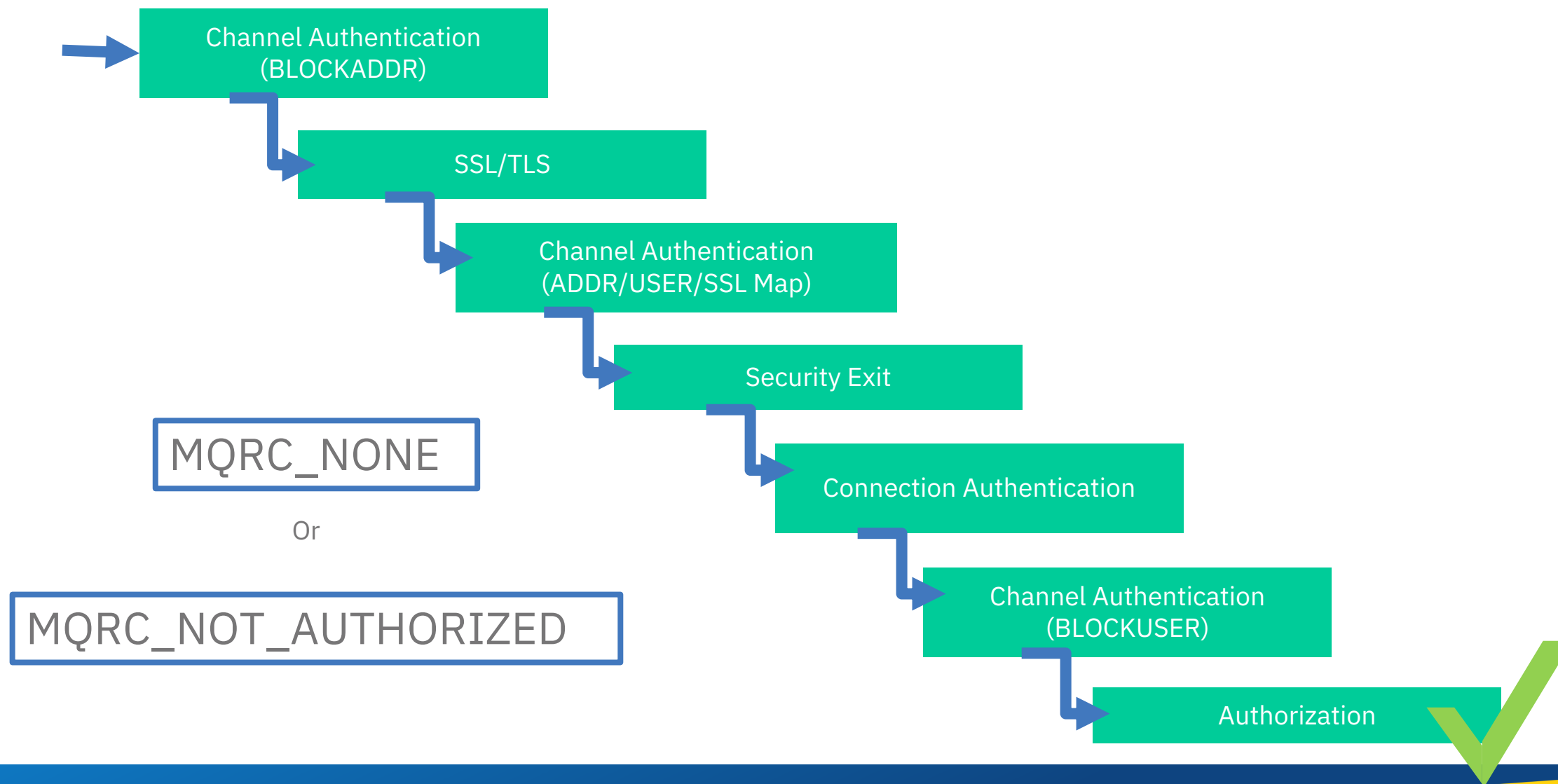


**IBM Cloud**



# *IBM MQ* *Security*

# Security provided on Client to Queue Manager connections



***IBM MQ***  
***High Availability***

# IBM MQ HA capabilities

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**Benefitting from the MQ Appliance**  
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- Support for HA clusters and network storage
- Multi-instance queue managers (Windows, Linux, UNIX)
- IBM MQ Appliance
- Client connectivity
  - Automatic reconnection
  - CCDTs
  - Pre-connect exit



- Replicated Data Queue Managers (Linux)
- Queue-sharing groups (z/OS)
- Support for cloud orchestration frameworks e.g. Kubernetes, Docker Swarm, Apache Mesos

# *IBM MQ* *Administration*

# Administration and monitoring

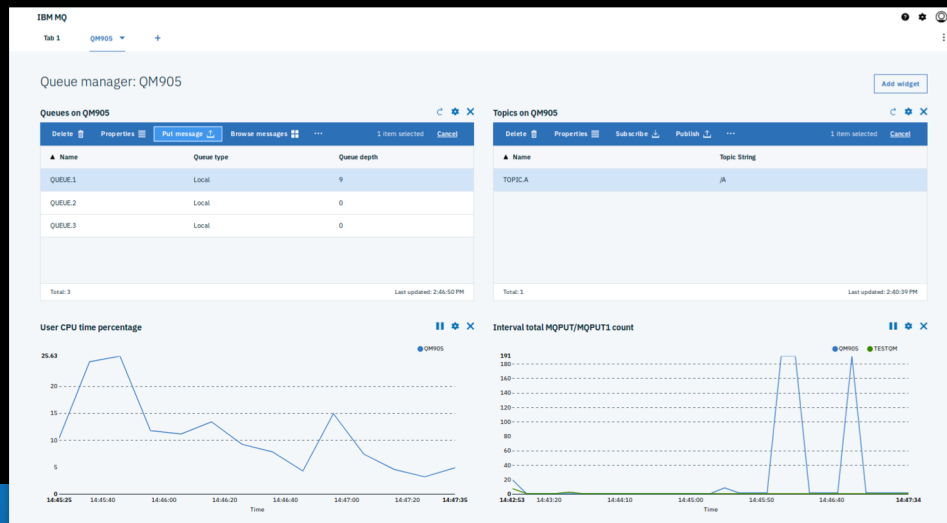
- Command line
- Scripting

- Tivoli and third-party tooling

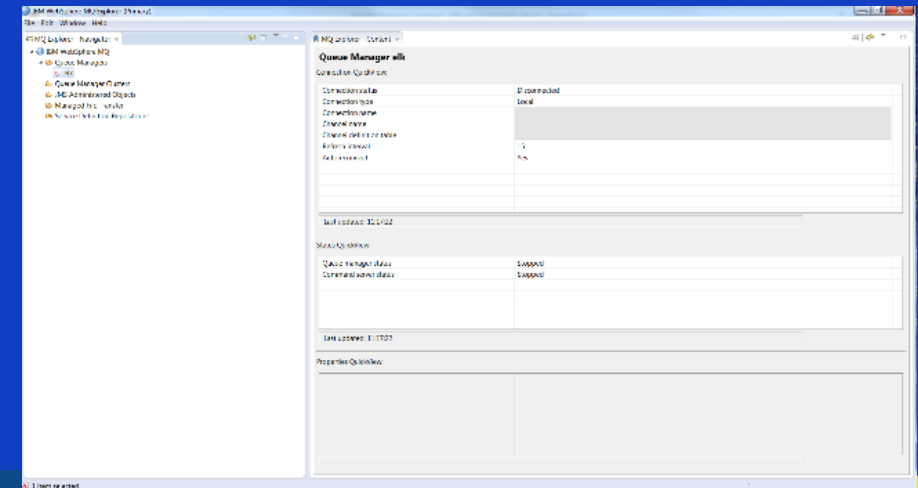
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ST API

- Web console



- GUI tooling



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# MQ Advanced Message Security

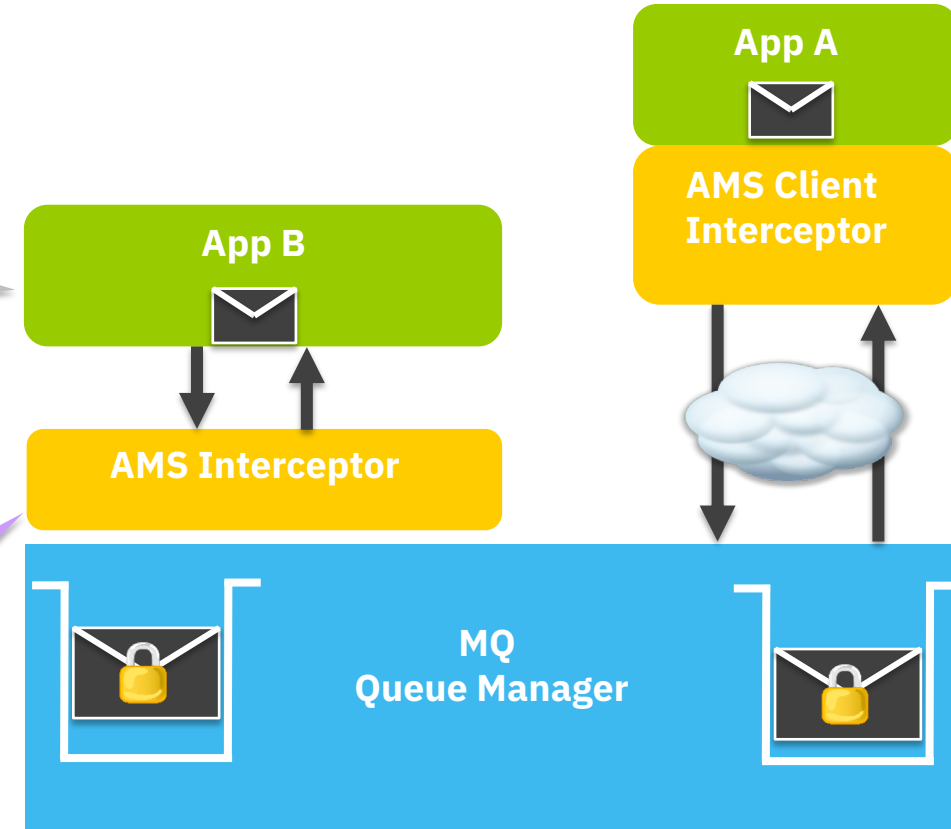
- **Secures application data even before it is passed to MQ**
- **Upgrade from base MQ**
  - ▶ No changes to existing applications or network required

## MQ standard security:

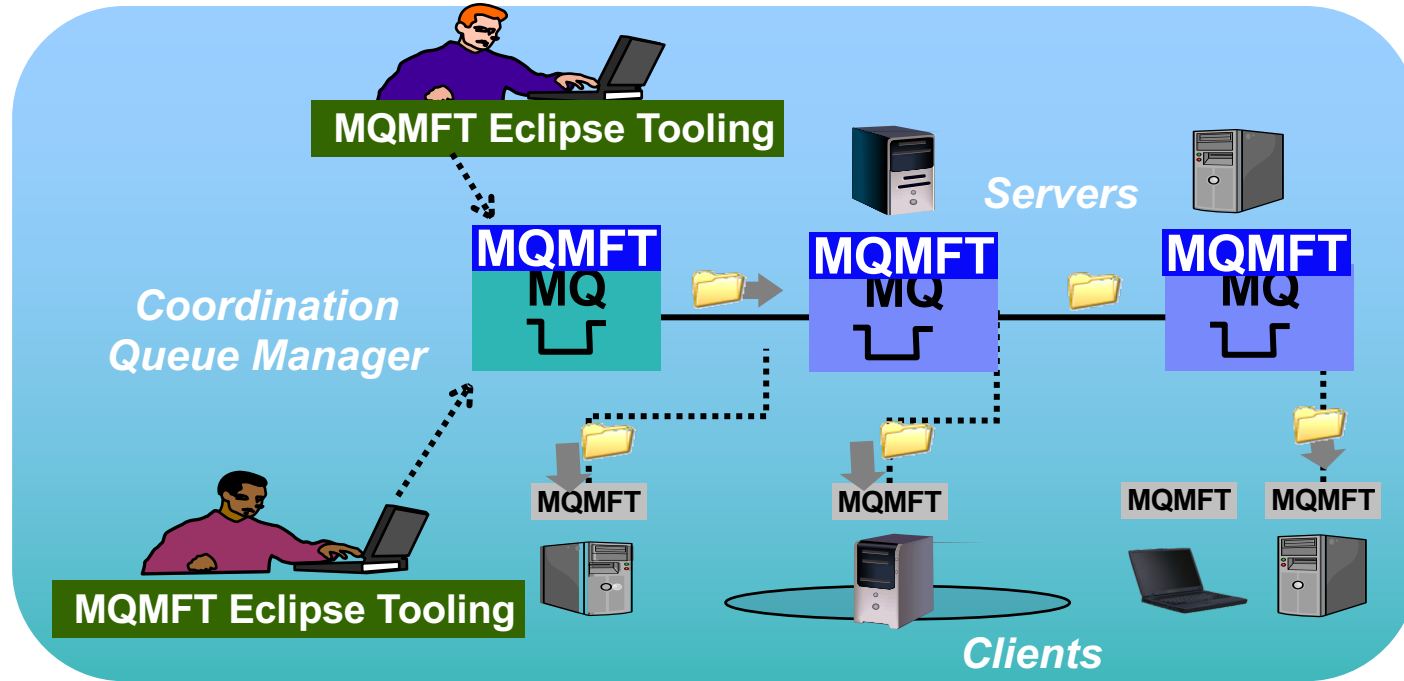
- Industry standard TLS channels (256-bit)
- Certified for Common Criteria
- Authentication is based on Operating System identifier of local process
- Message data can be encrypted in transport but not when it resides in the queues

## MQ Advanced Message Security adds:

- Authentication policies are based on certificates associated with each application
- Message data is protected end-to-end – including when it resides in queues
- Much finer granularity in security policies
- No changes needed to applications or queues



# MQ Managed File Transfer



***Where to go now?***

## ■ LearnMQ

## ■ Finding it hard to get developers started with MQ?

## ■ Point them to: [developer.ibm.com/messaging/learn-mq](https://developer.ibm.com/messaging/learn-mq)



## ■ Totally new to MQ? Learn the basics

**The basics of MQ**  
With us so far? Great.

**Messages:** packages of data produced and consumed by applications.

**Queues:** addressable locations to deliver messages to and store them reliably until they need to be consumed.

**Queue managers:** actual MQ engines, the servers that host the queues.

**Channels:** the way queue managers communicate with each other and with the applications.

**MQ networks:** loose collections of interconnected queue managers, all working together to deliver messages between applications and locations.

**MQ clusters:** tight couplings of queue managers, enabling higher levels of clustering and availability.

## ■ Step-by-step guide to getting up and running with MQ

**Ready, set, connect!**  
Connect your first application to a queue manager.

**Pick your platform**  
To use IBM MQ series and to run a demo application, you need both the queue manager (MQ server) and the demo application (MQ client). In this tutorial you get to play with both. There are many ways to get hold of the MQ series. You can install it locally in various operating systems, run MQ in Docker, or provision a queue manager in the cloud. Each of the tutorials on this page shows one example of getting started with MQ. Click to choose a tutorial: [native MQ installation on Windows](#), [MQ in Docker on Linux or Windows](#) or [MQ in IBM Cloud](#).

**MQ on Windows**

A quick way to install IBM MQ, set up a queue manager and run a demo app, all in one Windows environment. Download MQ, create a queue manager and run scripts and commands to create MQ objects a client application needs to put and get messages to and from the queue.

45 minutes

**MQ in Docker**

A quick way to get going with a queue manager and a demo app on Linux and IBM MQ in Docker. Use Docker to run an IBM MQ queue manager that comes preconfigured with all the objects a client application needs to put and get messages to and from the queue.

30 minutes

**MQ on Cloud**

A quick way to deploy on IBM MQ queue manager in IBM Cloud and connect to it with a demo app running on Linux, Windows or Mac. Provision a queue manager, configure access, connect the demo application, and put and get message to and from the queue.

15 minutes

**What you will learn**

1. A bit about MQ queue managers
2. A bit about MQ queues
3. The basics of point-to-point messaging

**What you will need**

1. Docker
2. The latest MQ Docker image from Docker Hub
3. IBM MQ point-to-point demo

**Contents**

1. Install Docker
2. Get the MQ in Docker image
3. Run the container from the image

**"What do I need to start this tutorial?"**  
Just your laptop – as long as it runs Linux.

**1. Install Docker**  
If you already have Docker version 17.03, continue to the next section. To find Docker for your platform, go to Docker Community Edition and install. Then come back to continue with the tutorial.

**2. Get the MQ in Docker image**  
Containers are run from images and images are built from a specification listed in a Dockerfile. We will use a pre-built IBM MQ image from Docker Hub so we can just run our container and end up with a working MQ installation and a pre-configured queue manager. We can then connect to our queue manager inside the container, from the client demo application that is included in our container environment. Pull the image from Docker Hub that contains the latest version of MQ.

```
sudo docker pull ibmcom/mq
```

When it's done, check what images you have:

```
sudo docker images
```

You will see:

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	SIZE
ibmcom/mq	latest	af8b5c555555	2 days ago	770MB
ibmcom/mq	latest	af8b5c555555	2 days ago	770MB

**3. Run the container from the image**  
Now that the image is in your local Docker repository, you can run the container to start up MQ in Ubuntu. We've added parameters to the docker run command, for example to accept the IBM MQ license for developers (license) and name the queue manager, where our queue will live, QDEV. Because MQ that will be running inside the container would be isolated from the rest of the world, we've opened a couple ports for MQ needs. The queue manager listener listens on port 5432 for incoming connections and port 5433 is used by MQ console. The demo application will use the listener port and MQ Console dashboard can be seen by browser on port 5434.

When you stand up a container, a filesystem is used that is deleted when the container is deleted. Queue manager and queue data is saved in the filesystem. To avoid losing the queue manager and queue data we can use volumes. Volumes are attached to containers when they are run and persist after the container is deleted. When you run a new container you can attach an existing volume and reuse your queue manager and queue data. Use Docker to create a volume.

## ■ Tutorials on building your applications

**MQ tutorials, taking you further**  
Every great achievement starts with a single step. Here's a set of guided tutorials that provides you with the tools to master MQ.

**Search by:**

**Skills level**

- ☐ Any Skill Level
- ☐ Beginner
- ☐ Intermediate
- ☐ Advanced

**Language**

- ☐ Java

**Operating System**

- ☐ Linux
- ☐ Windows

**Protected: Point-to-point with JMS**

Write a standalone Java JMS application that uses IBM MQ as a messaging provider. See how to use IBM MQ classes for JMS to put and get messages to and from a queue.

10 Minutes

[Start tutorial](#)

**Protected: MQ Essentials**

A quick and easy start guide to the fundamental concepts of IBM MQ, including an overview to message-oriented middleware.

15 Minutes

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**Protected: Ready, Set, Connect! (Windows)**

A quick way to install IBM MQ, set up a queue manager and run a demo app, all in one Windows environment.

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**Protected: Ready, set, connect! (Linux)**

A quick way to get going with a queue manager and a demo app on Linux and IBM MQ in Docker.

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**Point to point with JMS**  
Write and run your first IBM MQ JMS application

**What you will learn**

1. JMS 2.0 basics
2. How JMS client objects map to MQ server objects
3. Simplest way to put and get a message to and from a queue

**What you will need**

1. JMS classes – JMS.jar
2. IBM and IBM MQ classes for JMS – com.ibm.mq.allclient.jar
3. Java Software Development Kit (JDK) – to develop and run applications
4. JmsPutGet.java sample

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**1. Point to point with JMS and IBM MQ**  
You want to send data from your application to a single queue. You will put a message that holds your data to a queue and the consuming application will get it from the queue. You will use the JMS API to connect to your messaging provider which in this case is IBM MQ.

Your application has to be able to do these things:

- Connect to the queue manager
- Open a queue
- Put a message
- Get a message
- Close the queue
- Disconnect from the queue manager

We assume that these MQ objects are set up on the MQ server that you are connecting to:

- Queue manager QDEV
- Queue DEVQUEV.L
- Channel DEVASPXCON
- Port 5434

Adjust accordingly if you are using your own objects, or go to [Tutorial 2: Connect to get started](#).

If you're working through [Ready, set, Connect!](#), your queue manager should already be configured correctly. If not, you need to set up authentication on the queue manager to accept connection from the application through a named channel and the application has to be authorized to put and get messages to and from the queue.

**2. Set up your environment**  
To develop and run MQ JMS client applications you need access to:

# Where do I get more information?

IBM MQ Knowledge Center

<http://www.ibm.com/software/integration/wmq/library/>

IBM Messaging developerWorks  
[developer.ibm.com/messaging](http://developer.ibm.com/messaging)

Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com/user/IBMmessagingMedia>



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***Thanks for listening***

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