

Software
Architecture

Implicit Asynchronous
Communication Software
Architecture

Buffered Message- Based Architecture Style

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Buffered Message-Based Architecture Style

- Structure

- Breaks the software system into three partitions:
 - message producers
 - message consumers
 - message service providers.
- They are **connected asynchronously** by either a message queue or a message topic.
- It is typically implemented as a **message-oriented middleware (MOM)** providing a reliable message service on a distributed system

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- Characteristics

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- Messaging systems are used to build reliable, scalable, and flexible distributed applications supporting asynchronous communication.

- Messaging system architecture is essentially a peer-to-peer client-server architecture

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- The high degree of independency of components within the messaging system(loosely coupled distributed communication between software components)

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- a message receiver does not need to be available at the same time as the message sender in order for the communication to take place.
- In fact, the sender and receiver don't need to know each other's identity at all.
- The receiver, however, needs to know the message format and the message destination where the message is available.

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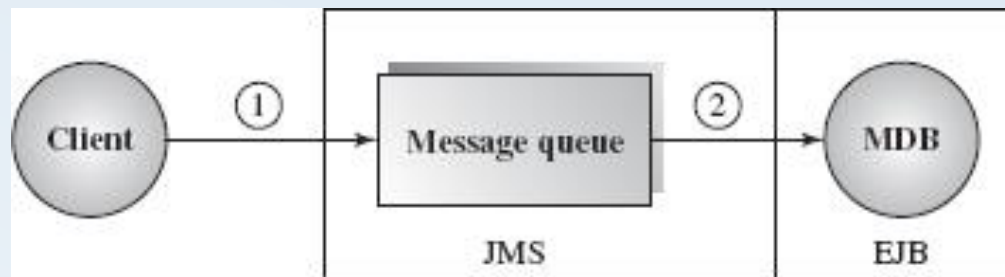
Buffered Message-Based: Application

- Application Examples
 - widely used in the infrastructure for network management, telecommunication services, e-commerce, customer care, weather forecasting, supply chain management, banking systems
 - used as bridges for system merging in the enterprise integration.
 - Many platforms provide message queue mechanisms. including Unix and Microsoft MQ
 - IBM MQseries, Progress SonicMQ, JBossMQ, and FioranoMQ mplement directly the Java Message Server (JMS)
 - The BEA WebLogic JMS provides additional messaging flexibility over JMS
 - JMS is a typical API in J2EE platform that supports asynchronous messaging including Message-Driven Bean (MDB), a special type of enterprise JavaBean, that asynchronously consumes messages.

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- Point-to-Point Messaging (P2P)

- A P2P messaging architecture is composed of **message queues, senders, and receivers**.
- Each **message** is sent to a destination (a specific queue) which is maintained by the consumer; consumer clients extract messages from these queues.
- The queue retains all messages it receives either until the messages are consumed or until the messages expire.
- A sender and a receiver of a message have no timing dependencies; the receiver can still receive the message even if it was not available when the sender sent the message.
- It is much more reliable than the simple event-listener based system discussed earlier.



Message queue of JMS

Message Driven Bean
(MDB) of EJB

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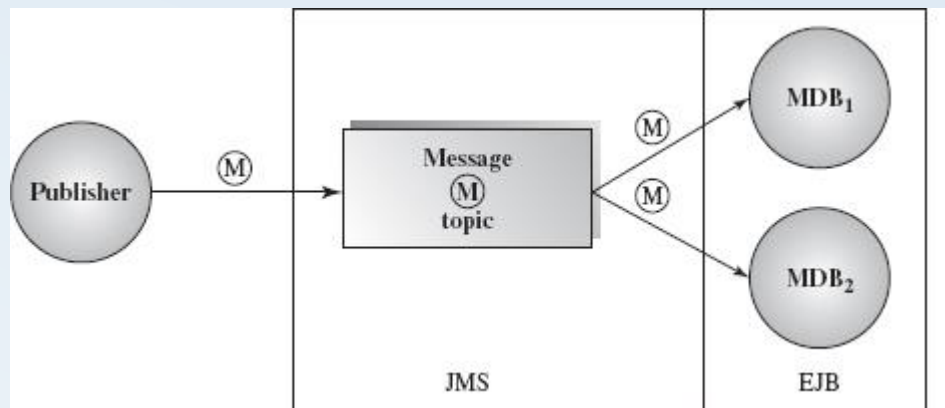
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- Publish-Subscribe Messaging (P&S)
 - The **publish-subscribe messaging architecture** is a **hub-like architecture** where publisher clients send messages to a message topic that acts like a bulletin board.
 - Message topic publishers and subscribers are not aware of each other.
 - The system delivers the messages to all of its multiple subscribers instead of to a single receiver, as in the message queue system.
 - Publishers and subscribers have a timing coupling dependency.

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Message topics of JMS

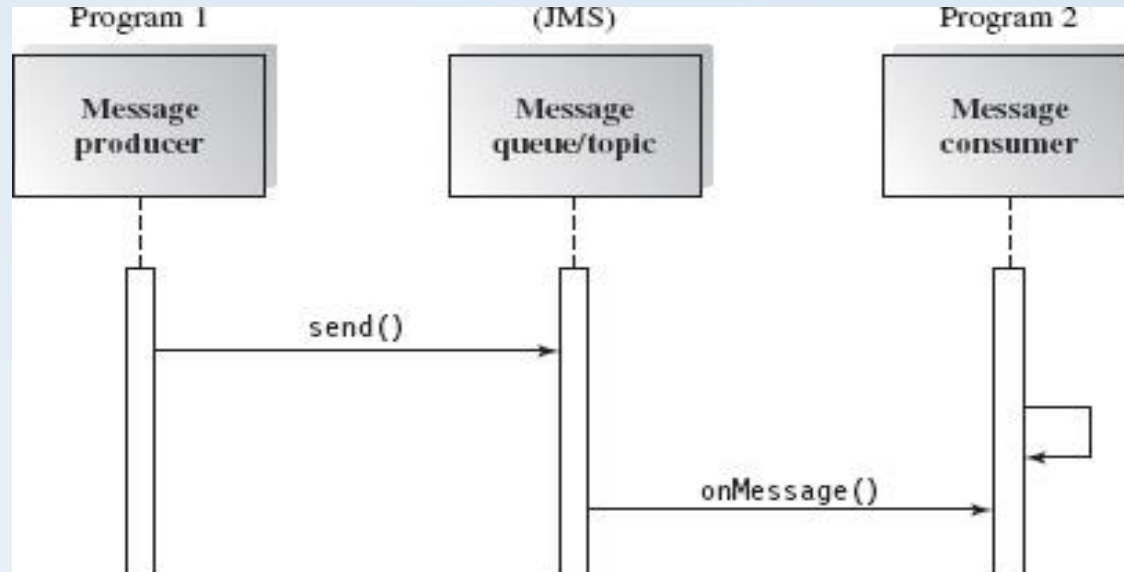
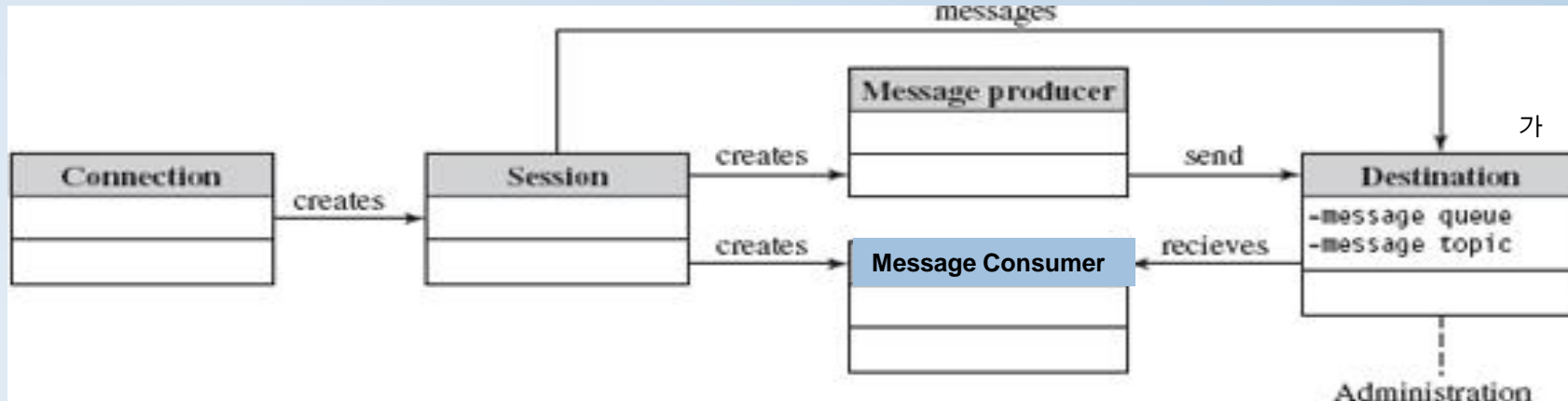
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- Implementation

- Similar to event-based connection architectures, message-based connection architecture is mainly implemented by [asynchronous communications](#).
- A software component can register a *message listener* (similar to an event listener) with a consumer.
- Whenever a message arrives at the destination, the provider delivers the message by calling the listener's `onMessage()` method, which performs the message handling operation just like the `actionPerformed()` method of the class `ActionListener` for AWT or Swing event in the Java API discussed previously.

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- Message Queue/Topic in JMS



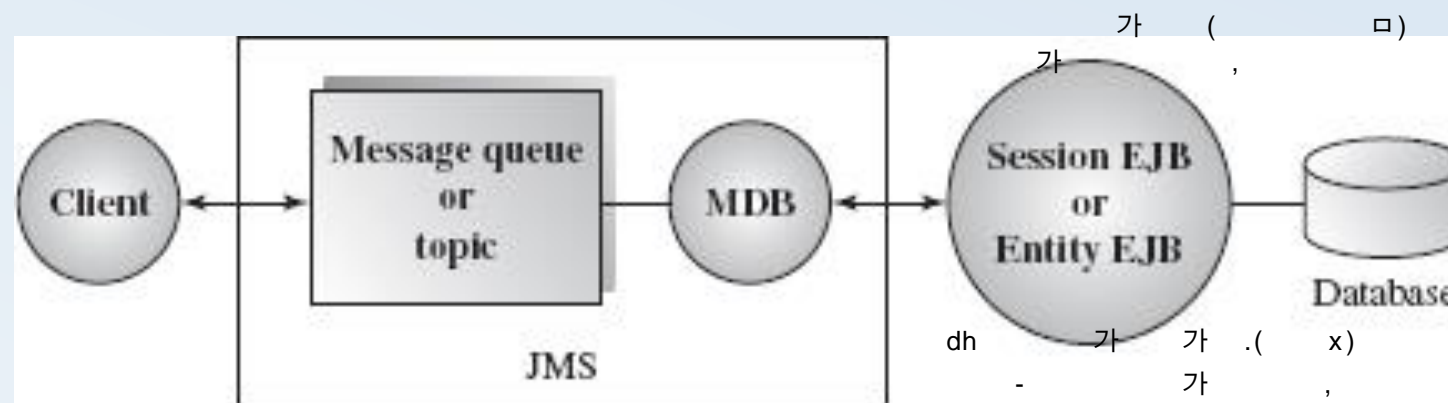
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- Message Queue/Topic in JMS
 - Message clients (the message producer and message consumer) need to create connections to the message service provider and then create their session on the message server.
 - The message destination (the queue or topic) is created by either administrator or by client programming.
 - The message producer generates a message and sends it to the destination queue or topic; the message consumer receives the message from the destination asynchronously by accepting the call `OnMessage()`.

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- Complex enterprise system with JMS

- Ex) enterprise web online business-to-business (B2B) application
 - The inventory component sends a message to the supplier component when the inventory level for an item drops below a certain level and needs to be replenished.
 - The inventory component also sends a message to the business office component to prepare cash to purchase more inventory items and update the budgets.
 - The supplier component sends a notification message to the catalog component to update the information after the supplier component gets more items in.



Buffered Message-Based: Application

- Applicable domains
 - Suitable for a software system where the communication between a producer and a receiver requires buffered message-based asynchronous implicit invocation for performance and distribution purposes.
 - The provider wants components that function independently of information about other component interfaces so that components can be easily replaced.
 - The provider wants the application to run whether or not all other components are running simultaneously.
 - The application business model allows a component to send information and to continue to operate on its own without waiting for an immediate response.

Buffered Message-Based: Benefits

- **Benefits:**

- *Anonymity*: provides high degree of anonymity between message producer and consumer. The message consumer does not know who produced the message (user independence), where the producer lives on the network (location independence), or when the message was produced (time independence).
- *Concurrency*: supports concurrency both among consumers and between producer and consumers.
- *Scalability and reliability of message delivery*: Reliability mechanisms include: control level setting of message acknowledgement; message persistence setting without loss; message priority level setting; and message expiration setting.
- Supports batch processing.
- Supports loose coupling between message producers and consumers, and between legacy systems and modern systems for integration development.

Buffered Message-Based: Limitations

- **Limitations:**
 - *Capacity limit of message queue:* This is not an inherent limitation but an implementation issue that can be minimized if the queue is implemented as a dynamic data structure (e.g., linked lists). However, there is an absolute limit based on available memory. It is also difficult to determine the numbers of agents needed to satisfy the loose couplings between agents.
 - Complete separation of presentation and abstraction by control in each agent generates development complexity since communication between agents only takes place between the control of agents.
 - Increased complexity of the system design and implementation.
- **Related architecture:**
 - Event-based system, layered, multi-tier, and MVC

Summary of Implicit invocation architectures



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- Applications
 - commonly found in user interface design, e-commerce application design, and other distributed transactional business applications where the system involves many pairs of producer-consumer models that are loosely and asynchronously connected.

Summary of Implicit invocation architectures

- Characteristics

- The coupling between the sender and the receiver in message-based implicit invocation connected system is even looser than the event-based connected system because there are no time constraints dependency.
- In an event-based invocation system the event handler must be ready in order to be able to intercept an event and take an action upon that event.