



The Apple MDM Framework

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Introduction to MDM

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What is MDM?

- ✦ Mobile Device Management (MDM)
- ✦ Consistent, Scalable management solution across many different kinds of devices.
- ✦ Allows you to configure both user-owned and organization-owned devices through wired, Wi-Fi, and cellular network connections.
- ✦ At a high level, MDM solutions enroll devices into a management organization, pushes configurations and commands to remote devices and also receives info back from the devices on task status and state.

Microsoft Intune

- World-class MDM Solution.
- Manages a number of platforms including...
 - Apple
 - Microsoft
 - Google
 - Linux
- Integrates with Microsoft 365 Applications and Services.
- Originally designed for BYOD but has been expanding to offer full device configuration for company owned devices in recent years.

Apple's MDM Framework

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Features

- ✦ Every MDM solution that supports Apple devices, utilize the Apple MDM Framework.
- ✦ Enables -
 - ✦ Device Enrollment/Management
 - ✦ Device Configuration
 - ✦ Device to Server Communication
- ✦ Not all MDM vendors implement all of the framework's available features. Review Microsoft's Intune documentation for details.

Features

- ✦ Categories of MDM Settings -
 - ✦ Configuration Profiles (payloads)
 - ✦ Restrictions
 - ✦ Commands
 - ✦ Queries
- ✦ Read Apple Platform Deployment Guide in Resources.

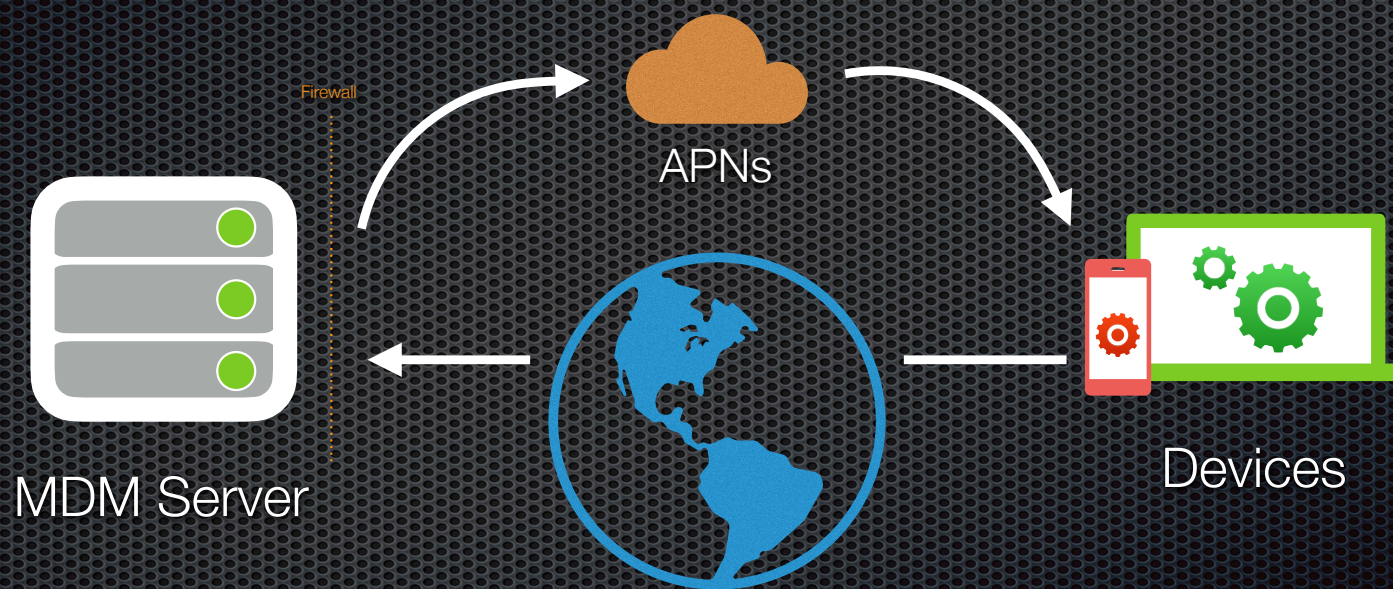
Apple's MDM Protocol

- ✦ Built into every Apple operating system.
- ✦ The protocol is what allows a device to respond to an MDM's command and knows what to do.
- ✦ Key functions enabled by the protocol include:
 - ✦ Enabling device management, assignment, enrollment.
 - ✦ Configuration, commands, queries, status reports.
 - ✦ Declarations, check-in, content management.

Profile Payloads

- ✦ Payloads are the specific configuration or restriction settings that are applied to a device through MDM.
- ✦ Payloads can be OS specific and not all payload are supported on all operating systems.
- ✦ Payloads can be stacked/combined to create a curated experience for all of your end-users.
- ✦ Payloads are detailed in the Apple Platform Deployment guide and we'll use several of them through out this course.
- ✦ Payloads are named differently depending on MDM solution.

Push Notifications (APN)



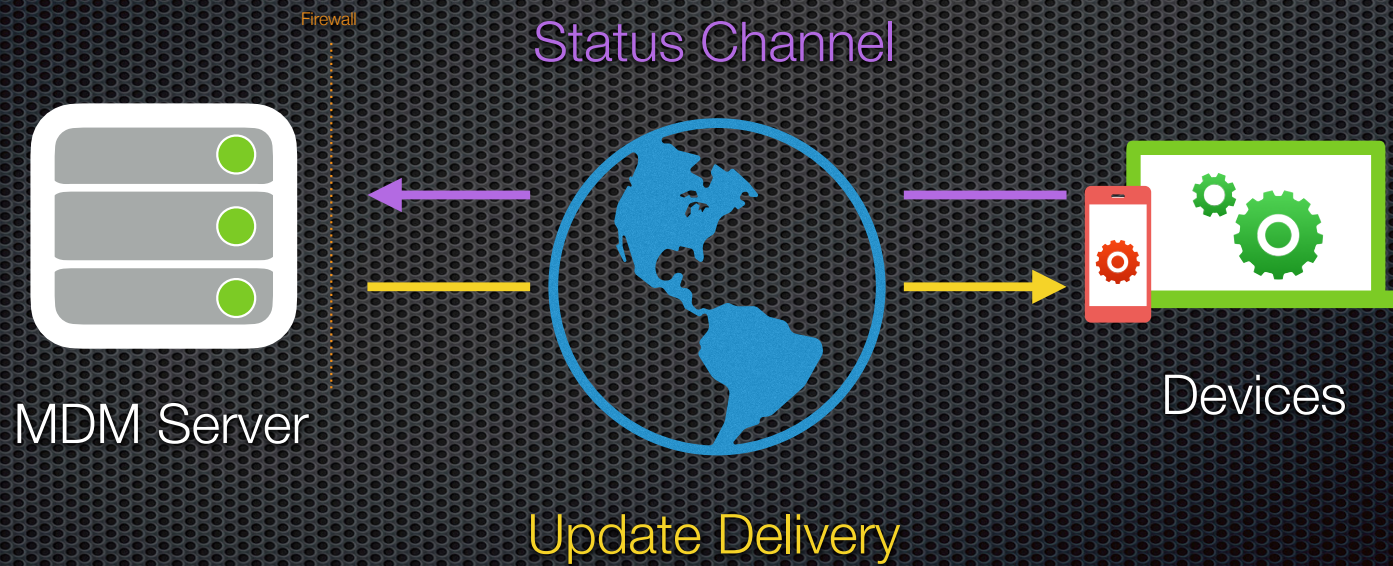
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Declarative Device Management

- ✦ New type of mobile device management protocol.
- ✦ Uses declarations from the MDM server to asynchronously update device settings.
- ✦ Uses a status channel from the client to the server to proactively provide updates.
- ✦ Not as 'chatty' as the traditional APN approach.
- ✦ Must be supported by your MDM vendor.

Declarative Model



Device Ownership Models

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Ownership Models

Organization Owned

- Organizations purchase devices.
- Automated Device Enrollment and Device Enrollment available.
- Devices can be Supervised.
- Supervised Devices restrict the removal of MDM.

User Owned

- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) model.
- Only User Enrollment is available.
- MDM can be removed by the end-user.

Device Enrollment Models

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Device Enrollment Options

- ✦ Automated Device Enrollment
 - ✦ Devices automatically enroll. “Zero-touch”.
- ✦ Device Enrollment
 - ✦ Installed on devices already in use or not eligible for Automated Device Enrollment.
- ✦ User Enrollment
 - ✦ End-users enroll their own device into MDM using a managed Apple ID or through a profile.

Personalization Strategy

- ✦ Personally Enabled Devices
 - ✦ Device assigned to a specific user (1:1)
- ✦ Non-personalized Devices
 - ✦ Multiple users sharing the same device like a computer lab.
- ✦ Shared iPad
 - ✦ Multiple users share the device, but each user has a personalized experience and their data is stored in iCloud.