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Today's evolving environment

By end of 2017, over 80% of enterprise IT organizations will commit to multi-cloud architectures

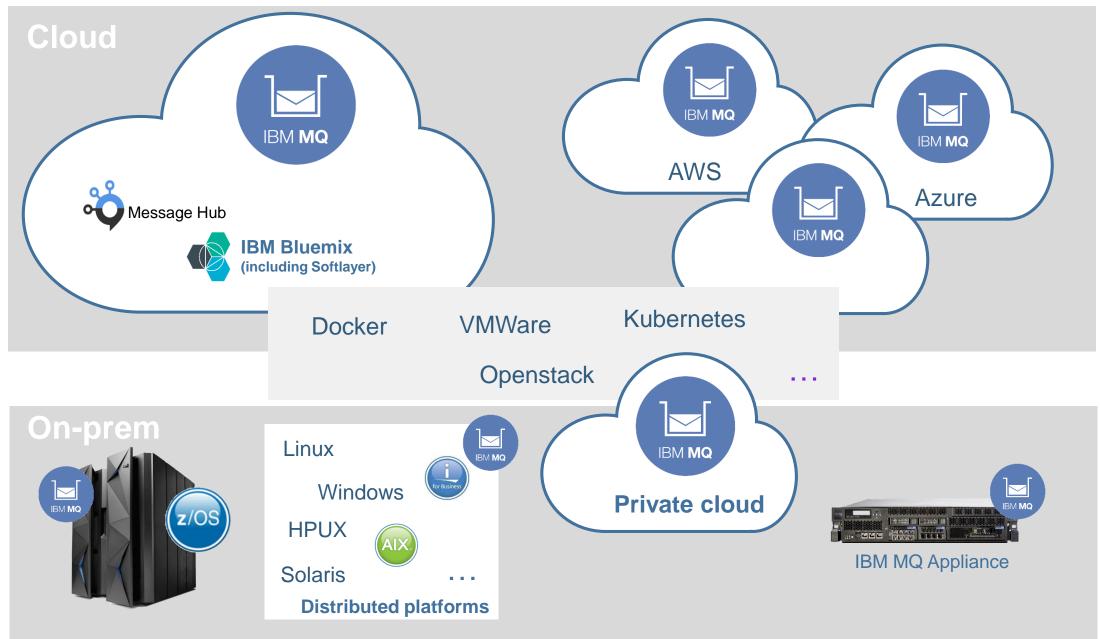
- Mainframe to mobile
- Data center to public cloud or clouds
- Internet of Things and 24x7 global reach

Fragmentation, and separation of applications, systems and data





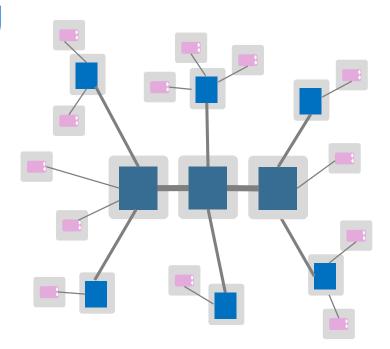
Run MQ, exactly how and where you need it





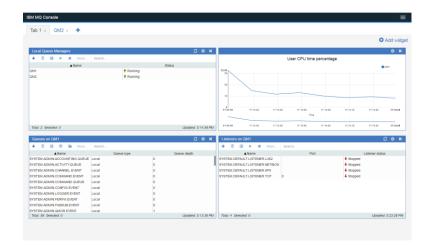
Changes in deployment choices accelerating

- Where and how?
 - Increasing deployments as messaging hubs
 - Rapid growth in container deployments alongside VMs
 - Clouds being used for both applications and MQ hosting
 - Architectures of MQ environments reflecting changes
 - MQ Queue Managers supporting individual application deployments
 - Easier to manage and maintain
 - Tying QMs to application instances also fits cloud deployments
 - Does MQ need to be more consumable within applications?
 - Embeddable? Persistent client?
- MQ deployment platforms consolidating...
 - Should MQ cover the same range of platforms?
 - "No further releases of MQ on HP-UX after 9.0 LTS"
 - Should Solaris be next in line? Does recent Oracle announcement make a difference?
 - Continued deployments on NSS?
 - Should we include MQ Advanced for NSS as an option to allow wider use of AMS (end to end encryption)?



How does MQ fit into your wider business environment?

- Huge diversity in MQ deployment since Dec 1993
- MQ not simply reliable and secure delivery of messages
 - Monitoring and reporting are key
 - Understanding MQ status, and updating it
 - Where's my message...?
- MQ provides tools (MQSC, PCF, Explorer, Console) but otherwise relies on the partner ecosystem (plus IBM offerings)
 - Customer-written tools are also part of the mix
- Evolving architecture everywhere is changing this aspect of MQ use
 - MQ must fit into the tooling and skillset that customers want to use
- Changes in how admin and monitoring in MQ can be customized
 - No single answer but are we heading in the right direction?
 - What else would simplify the use of MQ in this area?







MQ helping to turn new challenges into opportunities

MQ Messaging not just exchanged between applications

Can also be exchanged between files or connected devices (MQTT)

Senders, receivers set quality of service, MQ server can define encryption policy

Application

MQTT

MQTT

Application

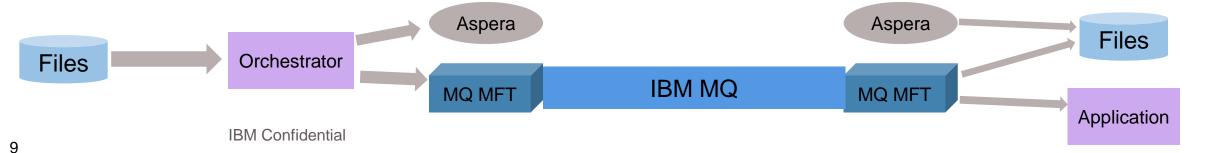
Files

IBM MQ

Challenges of regulations such as GDPR extend to all data types and movement

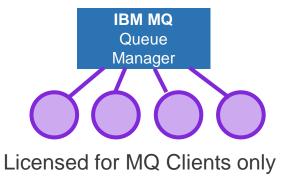
Files

- Leveraging MQ to move file data can help to reduce tasks associated with GDPR compliance
- Any size of data, over any distance...
 - MQ and MQ MFT can be used with flexibility for lots of deployments, but not perfect for all
 - Leveraging Aspera for larger files over longer distances
 - Not just linking the products together but smarter flows of data

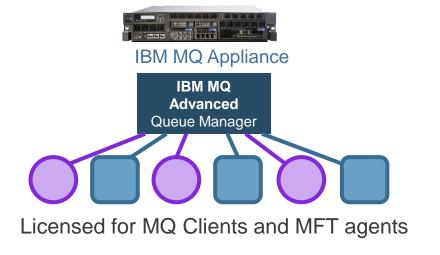


Pricing and licensing – platforms and clients

- MQ has always been licensed based on the server capacity
 - Pricing was perpetual on distributed and MLC on z/OS
 - Now have MQ Advanced VUE on z/OS for suitable workloads
 - Monthly PVUs and VPCs on distributed platforms
 - Physical appliances also available as an additional option
- Always free to connect clients to MQ Servers.
 - AMQP clients free to connect to MQ Servers
 - MQTT clients have been connectable at a 'nominal charge'
 - MQ MFT Agents are now free to connect to MQ Advanced servers



Platform	Monthly	Perpetual
z/OS	MLC	MQ VUE MQ Advanced VUE
Distributed	PVU Monthly VPC Monthly	PVU Appliances





Scaling up, flexible deployments & licensing

- The availability of MQ as core infrastructure provides benefits to application design and resiliency even at low utilization
 - Once MQ is selected and running, then unit costs decrease as use increases
- Sub-capacity hugely important in age of virtualization and cloud deployments
 - What needs to change with the move to Container deployments?
 - Today container pricing based on the capacity of the VM
 - Looking at a container pricing model based on container size
 - Initial plan to offer monthly licensing based on container size
 - Monitored and reported through Cloud Product Insights
 - Exploring future option for hourly container based licensing
 - Feedback? Use cases where this is suitable?









The details...

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High availability

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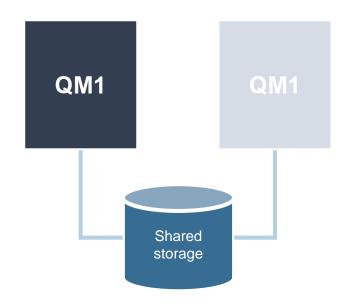
High availability, it's no longer a luxury

High availability is more important then ever. Users expect their messaging systems to always be available for work and for messages to reach their destination no matter what happens.

MQ delivers HA through the ability to build horizontally scaled, active-active systems and typically **active-passive HA** of the data itself*, the messages.

Traditionally active-passive HA has been achieved through **HA clusters** or **multi instance** queue managers. Both rely on highly available infrastructure to be setup and relied on.

The MQ Appliance changed this with a fully integrated HA solution, providing built in machine to machine data replication and failover.







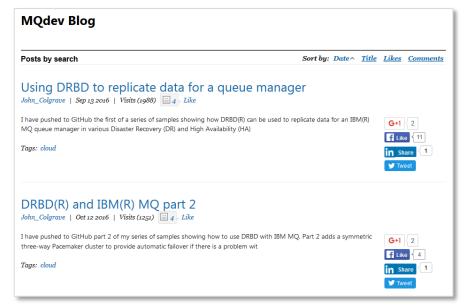
^{*} z/OS shared queue provides active-active HA of the message data

Data replicated HA for Software MQ on Linux

The IBM MQ Appliance introduced shared nothing HA through direct data replication

One way to build your own equivalent is to look to a DRBD based solution (guidance given \rightarrow)

But we're working on an HA solution to provide this capability built directly into IBM MQ Advanced...



https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/community/blogs/messaging/



Replicated Data Queue Managers

A Linux HA solution with no external dependency
No requirement for a network filesystem or for an
HA cluster

Leverages the proven data replication and monitoring capabilities of **DRBD** and **Pacemaker**

MQ will configure the underlying resources to make setup and operations natural to an MQ user

Three-way replication for **quorum** support

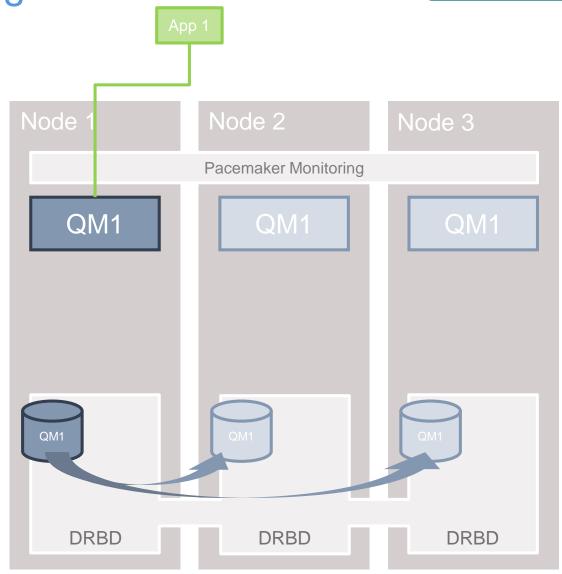
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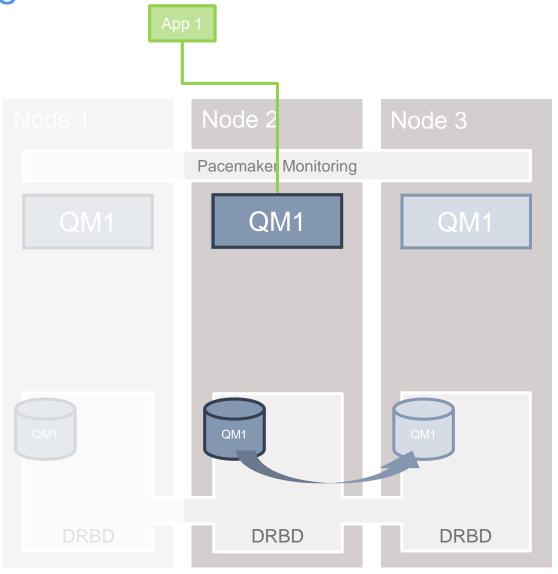
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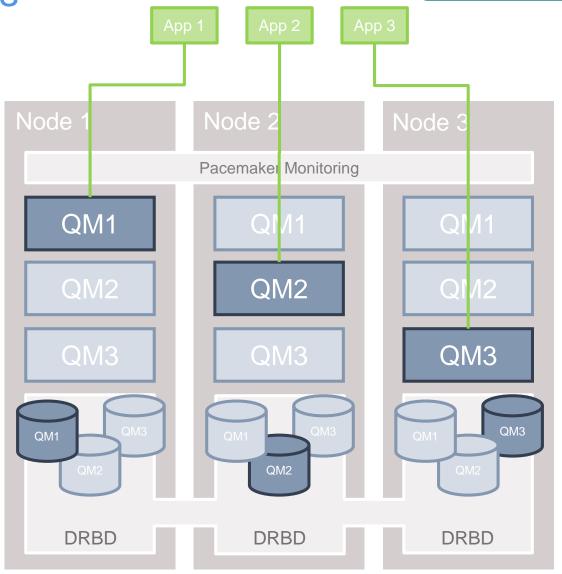
Replicated Data Queue Managers

Recommended deployment pattern:

Spread the workload across multiple queue managers and distribute them across all three nodes

No one node runs at total capacity, allowing for failed over queue managers when required

MQ licensing will be aligned to minimise costs





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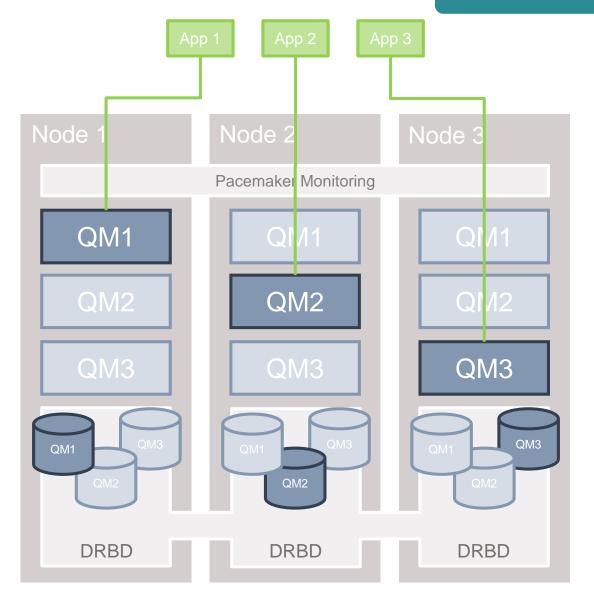
Initial focus

Always Linux only but only RHEL 7.3/4 x86-64 initially

Focus on bare metal and VM environments (orchestration layers provide alternative capabilities when using containers)

Three nodes are required for quorum, no more, no less

Initially only synchronous replication with automatic HA

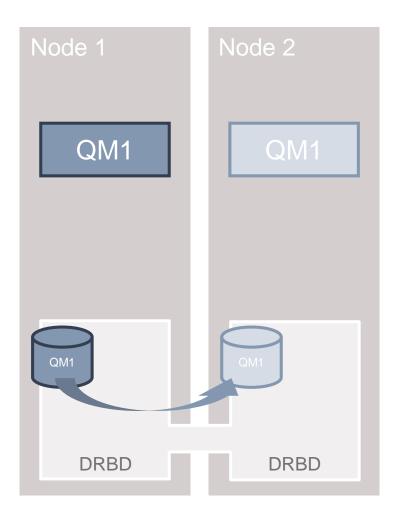




Following that

Manual takeover of queue managers with synchronous replication

Removes the need for a three node quorum configuration Enables *close* dual site fail over configurations





Supporting your applications

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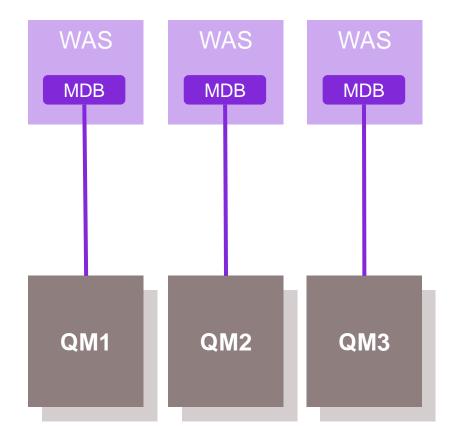
Horizontal scaling and failover with transactions

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- Enables multiple instances of applications to be easily distributed across multiple queue managers to horizontally scale
- Allows an application to continue to run by failing over from a failed queue manager to an available one

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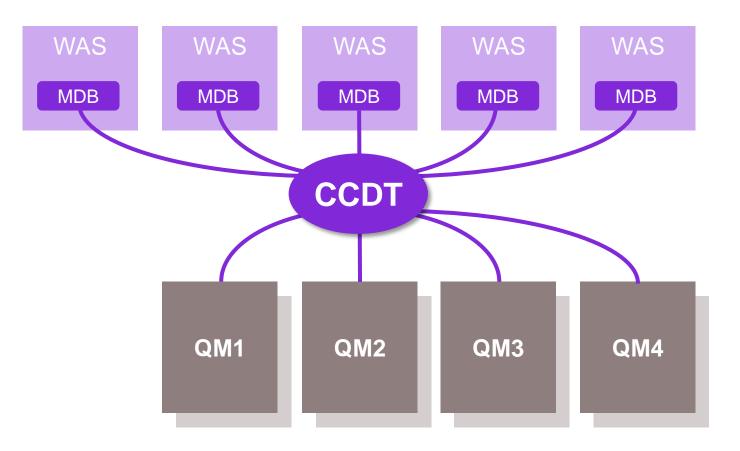
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Multiple APIs and Protocols

IBM MQ supports multiple APIs and multiple client protocols. Both proprietary and open.

APIs: MQI, JMS, MQ Light, REST ...

Protocols: MQ, AMQP, MQTT, HTTP

These support a wide range of application styles, from the simplest of messaging needs through to the richest

MQ is the transport, messages produced from any API or protocol can be received by any other API or protocol.

APIs and Protocols

MQI

Exposes the full set of MQ capabilities
Uses the MQ protocol

JMS 2.0

Supports the full JMS API for use in many JSE or JEE environments
Uses the MQ protocol

MQ Light

A simple pub/sub messaging API Uses the AMQP 1.0 protocol

MQ

MQ's highly reliable and performant messaging protocol

MQTT

Supports the open standard MQTT API and protocol Open source Eclipse Paho clients

AMQP

Support for AMQP 1.0 enables support for open source clients such as Qpid Proton

REST

A very simple but secure messaging API over REST





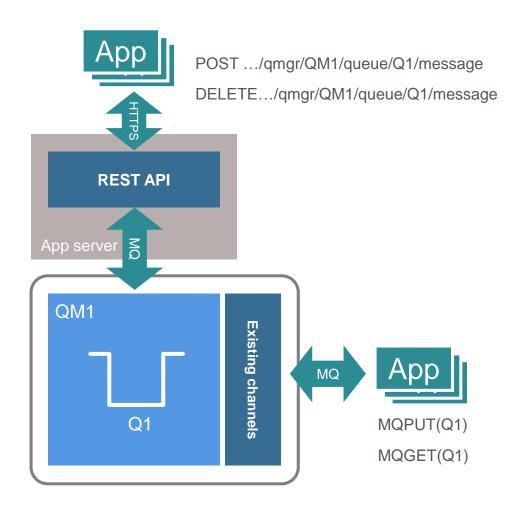
REST Messaging

Many users just want the **simplest** way to get messages in and out of an MQ system

A RESTful API gives you just that. Easily enabling messaging from just about **any environment** with no need for an MQ client or platform/language limitations

MQ currently exposes its messaging capabilities using the *IBM MQ bridge for HTTP*. This requires your own HTTP server and setup. This feature has been **deprecated** since MQ V8. MQ support for z/OS Connect now provides a similar mechanism on z/OS.

Neither provide all the components, ready configured, inside MQ.



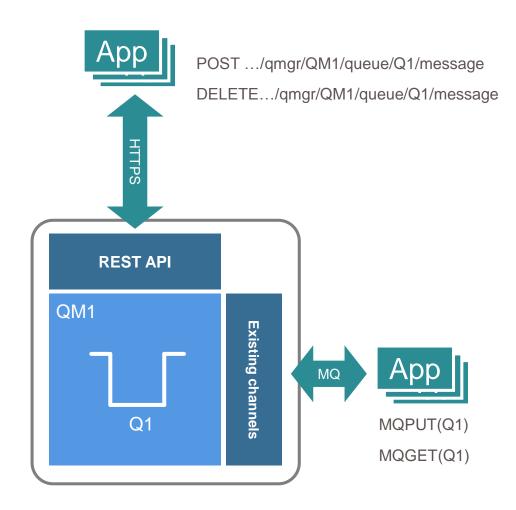


REST Messaging

The new HTTP server support in MQ 9.0.x provides the platform for a properly integrated REST API solution

CD releases will start to see a messaging REST API evolve, first with simple synchronous point-to-point support.

Future capabilities may include asynchronous flows and publish/subscribe support.





Developer outreach

MQ is hard to get going with!

How do we make it easier for new application teams to pick up MQ and start?

Potential ideas

- A much better getting started experience with simple introductions and exercises
- Updated samples available through Github
- MQ clients available through package managers
- Pre-configured MQ Advanced for Developers package
- More language support
- ...?

Mission Statement

To enable a user instructed to use MQ for the first time, to go from zero understanding to *running* a sample application in a sandbox environment with a fundamental understanding of MQ concepts in 2 hours.

To enable an application developer, instructed to use MQ for the first time, to go from zero understanding to *writing* their first MQ application in the language of their choice within an afternoon.





Extending your network

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Bridging MQ with external systems

As well as connecting a wide array of applications directly to an MQ system, there are a growing set of bridges between MQ and external systems, many of them cloud services

Message Hub

Connect MQ to the Bluemix messaging service

Salesforce

Integrate MQ's publish/subscribe with Salesforce events

Blockchain

Use MQ messages to query and update the blockchain

Kafka

Use open source Kafka connectors to join MQ with Kafka

IBM Integration Bus

IBM's integration solution for everything else!





Blockchain Bridge

Asynchronous request/reply MQ message flow for applications to request information from Blockchain ("what is the value of the balance on this account") over MQ queues

Currently

- Provided with MQ Advanced for z/OS VUE V9.0.3
- Connects to Hyperledger Fabric networks in IBM Bluemix
- Query the ledger only

Next

- Provided with MQ Linux server and client images
- Supported for use with 9.0.x MQ Advanced queue managers
- Connects to local Hyperledger Fabric networks
- Ability to make updates to the ledger

Blockchain







Kafka Connectors for MQ

There is an increasing need to bridge between your MQ messaging platform and your Kafka stream data platform, unlocking your enterprise and your stream data

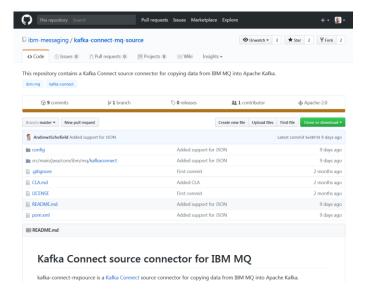
Kafka Connect is a framework included in Apache Kafka that enables this

IBM MQ sink and source connectors are currently being openly developed by IBM

https://www.confluent.io/product/connectors/

Kafka Connect







Salesforce Bridge

Safesforce's cloud-based CRM platform enables events to be emitted when changes are made to data, or when applications run

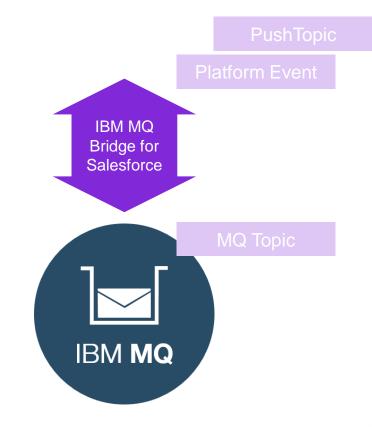
Currently

- Supports Salesforce Platform Events and PushTopics
- Events are published into the MQ publish/subscribe network

Next

 Events originating in the MQ publish/subscribe network are published into Salesforce

Salesforce





Becoming an event-driven Enterprise Wednesday 3:10pm / 4:30pm

Managed Event Streams

API Management for Event Streams

As the world becomes more event driven...

Managed Event Streams takes real time data from existing applications, IoT initiatives and cognitive systems and makes these events available to apps, partners and developers, powering a new context aware digital experience





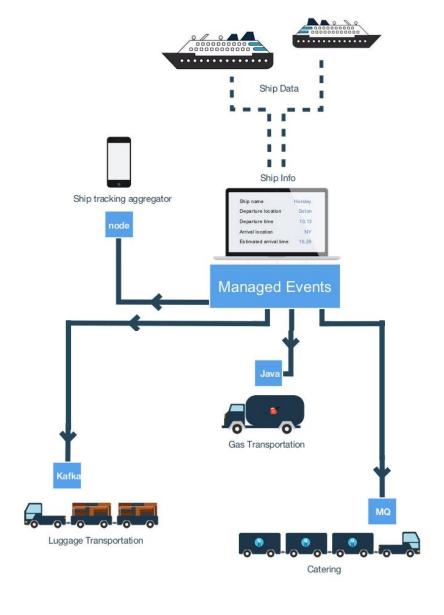






Delivered

Monitored





Decoupled

Consumable



Managing MQ



Managing your MQ estate

Management of MQ is evolving into a **cattle** not **pets** model.

Consistent configuration and operations across multiple queue managers

Automated deployment

Configuration as code

Self service

Collection and analysis of diagnostic data

Simple integration into standard devops and automation tooling





REST Admin, the story continues...

RESTful interface to MQ systems

Published, supported interface
Simpler alternative to existing PCF and MQSC mechanisms for tooling
Secure

MQ resource configuration

Queue managers, Queues, Channels, Topics, etc.

The MQ REST API is being iteratively delivered across the CD releases, adding control over more MQ objects each time

```
HTTP GET: https://hostname:portNumber/ibmmq/v1/qmgr
          "qmgr": [
           "qmgrName": "QMTEST01",
           "status": "running"
           "qmgrName": "QMTEST02",
           "status": "ended"
```



An MQSC catchall for REST

Tailored RESTful support for individual MQ objects and actions are in the works...

However, to speed up full MQ admin support over REST we will be adding the ability to submit arbitrary MQSC commands over REST

- ✓ Gives complete MQSC coverage quickly
- ✓ Simple to convert existing scripts
- Does not benefit from improved usability

```
HTTP POST: https://host:port/ibmmq/v1/action/qmgr/QMGR1/mqsc
  "type": "runCommand",
  "parameters": {
      "command": "STOP CHANNEL(CHANNEL.TEST)"
           "commandResponse": [{
              "completionCode": 0.
              "reasonCode": 0.
              "text": ["AMQ8019: Stop IBM MQ channel accepted."]
           "overallCompletionCode" : 0,
           "overallReasonCode": 0
```

Stopping a channel



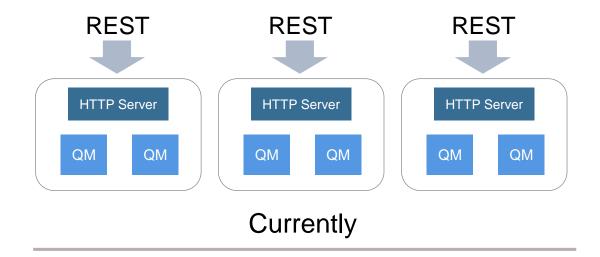
Enabling your whole estate for REST administration

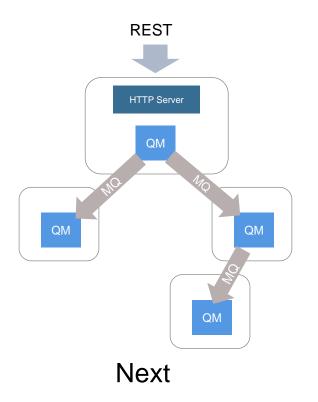
Currently REST enables you to administer each MQ installation separately, they must all be on the MQ 9.0.x CD release

We are looking at managing a network of systems through gateway entry points

This will mean that not every queue manager will need to expose HTTPS endpoints

Pre-9.0.x queue managers will be able to be administered through those 9.0.x gateways







Monitoring MFT with REST

Rest interface to discover MFT Agents availability and File transfer status within MFT landscape

List all the MFT Agents available and their status

List all the managed file transfers that are completed/in progress.

Query for details of a particular managed file transfer request.

HTTP POST: https://host:port/ibmmq/v1/mft/transfer

List all transfers



Managing diagnostic data

Collecting system information in a way that can be monitored and analysed is now more important than ever with larger, more dynamic and remotely administered systems

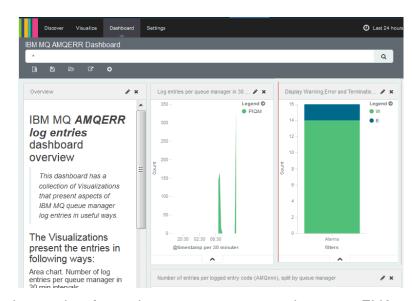
MQ has demonstrated how metrics and error logs can be collected today

Metrics that are easily enabled using MQ V9 system topics, forwarded into Prometheus

Error logs parsed and forwarded using Logstash into Elastic Search



System topic data feeds your own Grafana dashboard github.com/ibm-messaging/mq-golang



Use Logstash to forward queue manager errors logs to an ELK stack https://www.ibm.com/developerworks/community/blogs/messaging/e <a href="https://www



Managing diagnostic data

MQ 9.0.3 delivered improvements to the error log content

Universal timestamps

Message severity

Future improvements to error logs

Easily parsable **JSON** error log formats

Multiple **error log targets** (file, Syslog, standard out, ...)

Message **filtering** at source (by severity, by category)

```
"ibm messageId":"AMQ9542W",
"arith insert 1":0,
"arith insert 2":0,
"ibm datetime": "2017-10-05T11:22:01.376Z",
"ibm serverName":"QM1",
"type":"mq_log",
"host": "DUMMY",
"loglevel":"WARNING",
"module": "amgrimna.c:1071",
"ibm_sequence":"1507202521376344_4991908185865",
"ibm processId":69708,
"ibm threadId":1,
"ibm version": "9.0.4.0",
"ibm processName": "runmqchi.exe",
"ibm userName": "another",
"ibm installationName":"MQNI09000400",
"ibm installationDir": "C:\Development\\errl2\\p900 D\\obj\\amd64 nt 4",
"message":"AMQ9542W: Queue manager is ending."
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MQ in the Cloud

IBM MQ in the Cloud

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IBM MQ as a Hosted Service

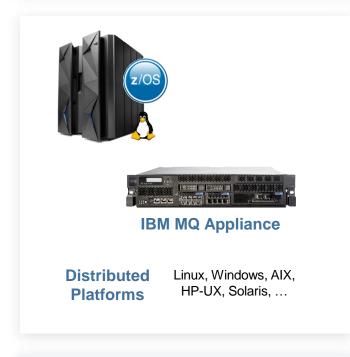
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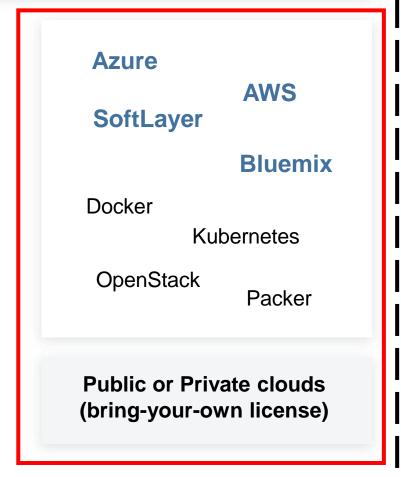


Run MQ exactly how and where you need it

Options Available today



Traditional on-premises, customer managed



Option in the Future



Hosted SaaS offering managed by IBM



Everything we're doing is *cloud*

Cloud deployments of MQ will directly benefit from many of the features we're building into MQ

Direct data replication HA

Support for dynamic client connectivity

REST messaging

Connectivity to cloud services

REST administration

Metrics and log forwarding





MQ in Containers

The Docker support for MQ is continually improving

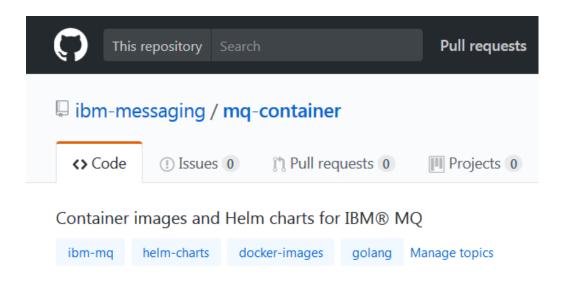
Extending the set of supported MQ packages to include MQ Advanced packages

Evolving the Docker image to improve error logging and health checking

Publishing new **Helm charts** for running MQ in **Kubernetes**

Providing MQ Advanced in IBM Cloud Private

IBM Cloud Private is IBM's Kubernetes-based container platform that provides a catalogue of IBM middleware including MQ Advanced. It includes an integrated DevOps toolchain and core operations services.







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Options Available today





IBM MQ Appliance

Distributed Platforms

Linux, Windows, AIX, HP-UX, Solaris, ...

Traditional on-premises, customer managed

Azure

AWS

SoftLayer

Bluemix

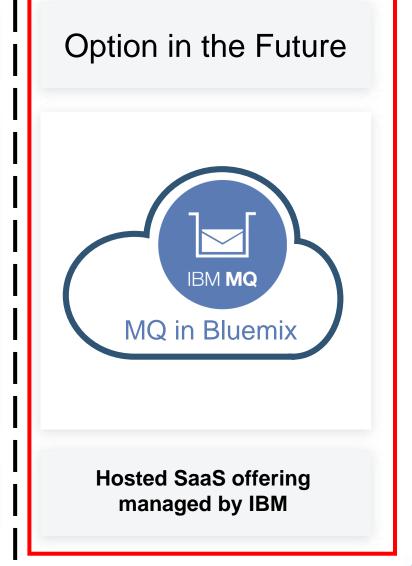
Docker

Kubernetes

OpenStack

Packer

Public or Private clouds (bring-your-own license)





MQ in Bluemix very high level solution

Provision queue managers directly into Bluemix

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

You own the configuration and the monitoring of the messaging

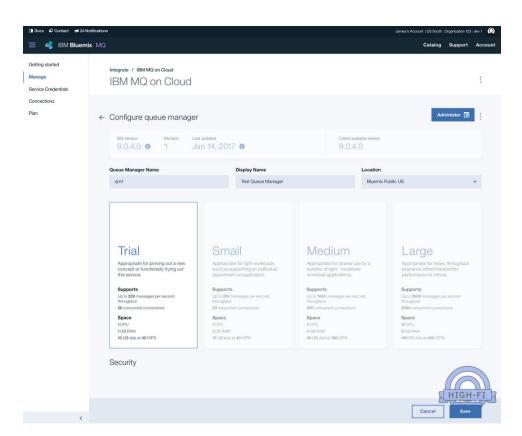
Configured & monitored by the customer

Queues, topics, channels clustering, applications

Managed & operated by IBM

MQ installation, basic configuration, security, maintenance

Hardware, virtualization, servers, network, storage



Hosted initially on





Plan your summit ...

IBM MQ Futures

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