# Message Queue Fundamentals in .NET

**Introducing Message Queues** 

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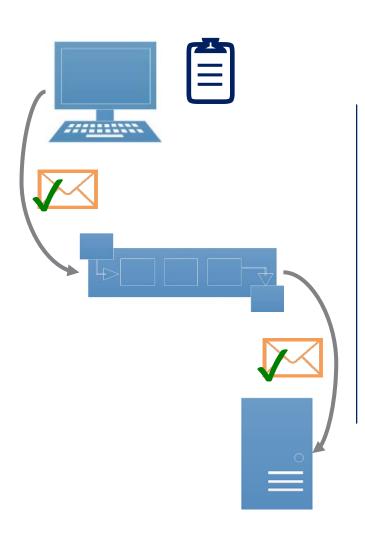
**Asynchronous** communication

Improved performance and scalability

Enhanced reliability

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**Client packages work request** 

Sends message to queue

Carries on with other work

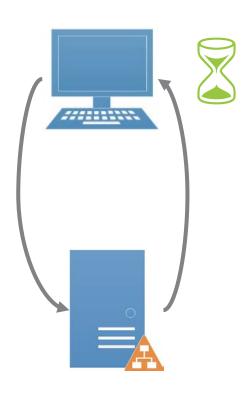
Handler retrieves message

Processes work

Handler confirms message complete

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Client sends request Keeps connection open

**Service processes work**Client waits for response

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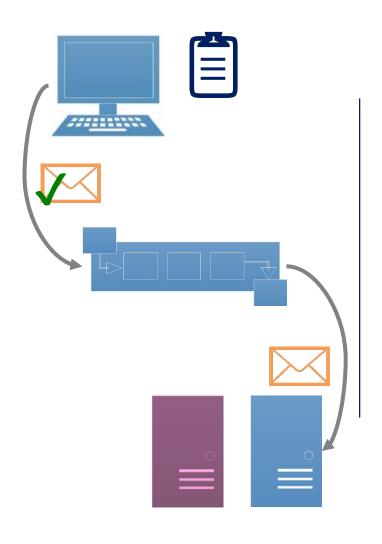
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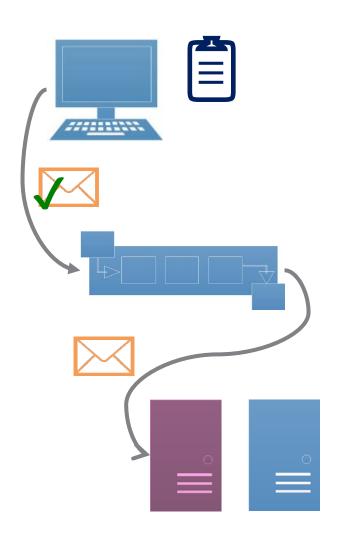
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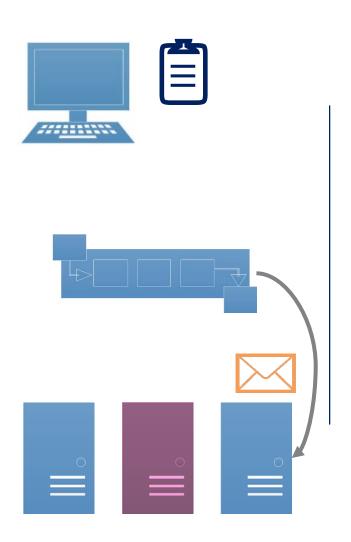
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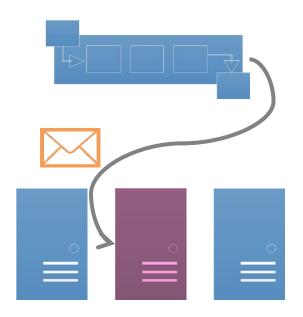
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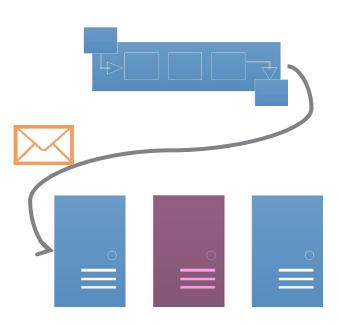
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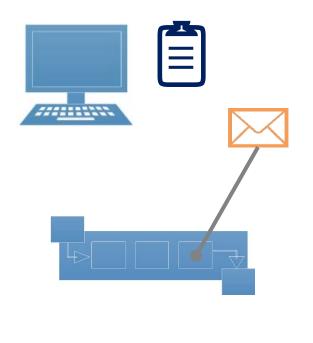
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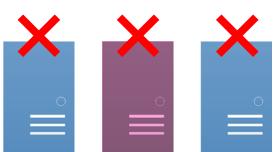
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Message kept until handler available

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#### **Course Outline**



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## Goals

#### Messaging and asynchronous communication

Performance, scalability, reliability

#### Key messaging patterns

Fire-and-forget, request-response, publish-subscribe

#### Message queue features

Speed, durability, accessibility, interoperability

#### Message queue options

MSMQ, ZeroMQ, Azure Service Bus, AWS, WebSphere MQ

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### **Pre-requisites**

Working knowledge of .NET and C#

Use of synchronous communication

(Very) Basic system operations

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### message queues

a.k.a message queuing, messaging, messageoriented middleware, MOM

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## **Messaging Patterns**



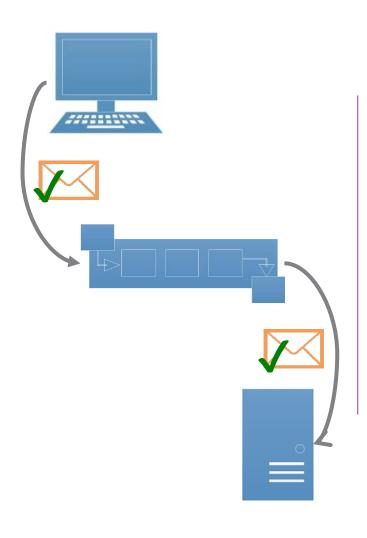




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## **Messaging Patterns: Fire-and-Forget**



**Client sends message** 

**Queue confirms receipt** 

Handler retrieves message

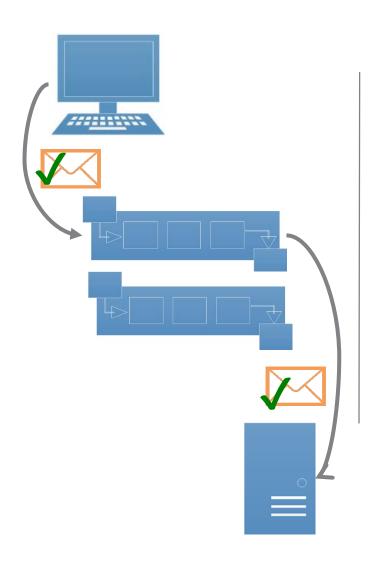
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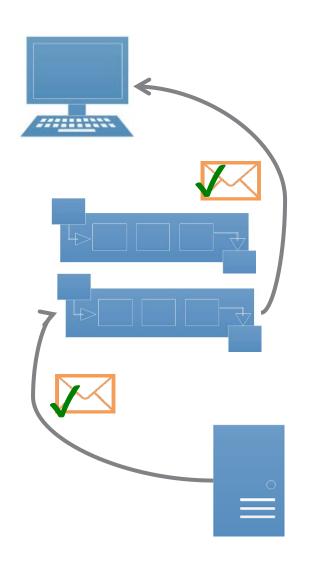
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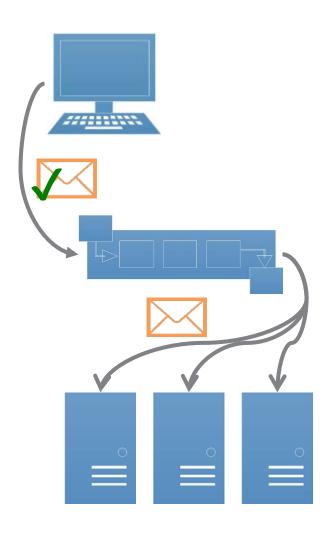
Sends response message

Client retrieves response message

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## **Messaging Patterns: Publish-Subscribe**



Subscribers register with queue

**Publisher sends message** 

**Queue confirms receipt** 

Queue forwards message to subscribers

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### **Messaging Patterns**







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## **Handling Failures**

Synchronous

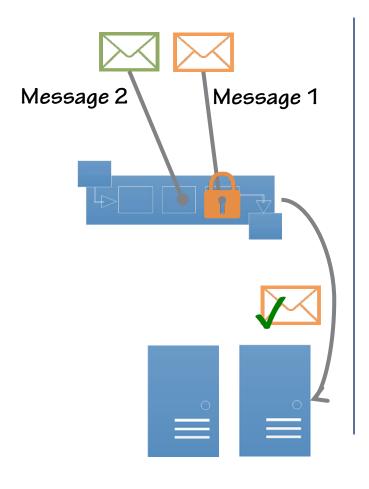
- Open channel between client and server
- Server processing fails
- Client is notified

**Asynchronous** 

- No direct communication
- Message handler fails
- What happens to the message?

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**Handler 1 retrieves message 1** 

**Queue locks message 1** 

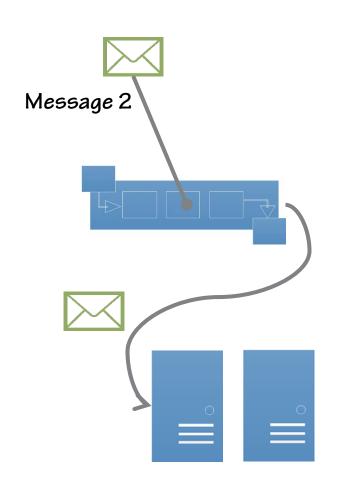
But does not remove it

**Handler 1 confirms complete** 

Queue removes message 1

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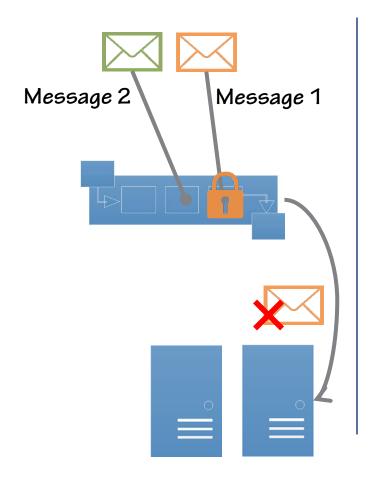
**Handler 1 confirms complete** 

Queue removes message 1

**Handler 2 retrieves message 2** 

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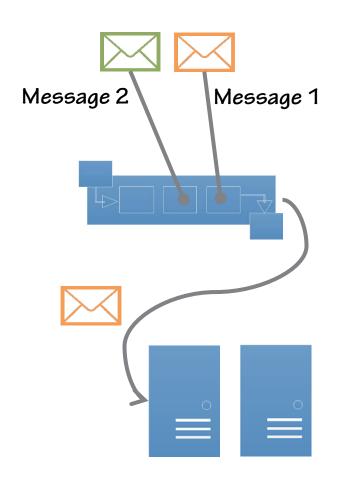
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Or does not confirm complete in time

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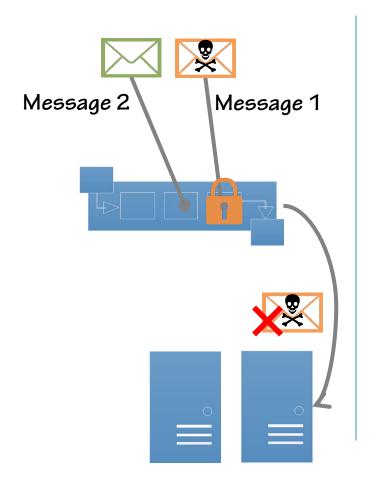
**Queue unlocks message 1** 

**Handler 2 retrieves message 1** 

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# **Handling Failures: Poison Messages**



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**Queue locks bad message** 

But does not remove it

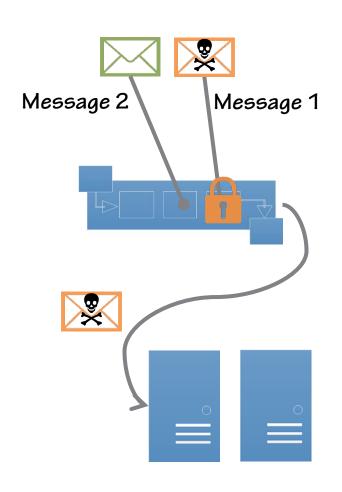
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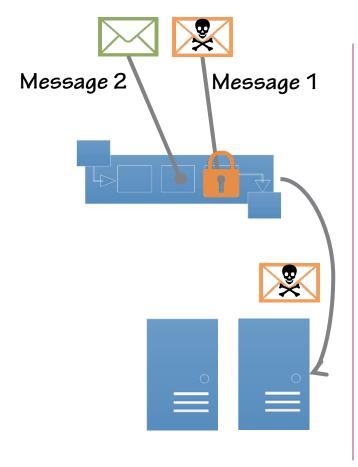
Queue unlocks bad message

Handler 2 retrieves bad message

Message 2 never processed

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Handler 1 retrieves bad message

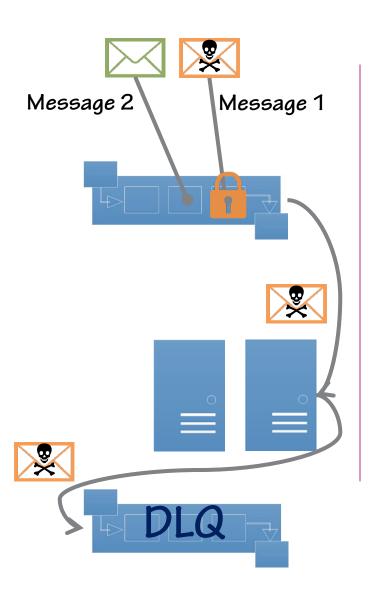
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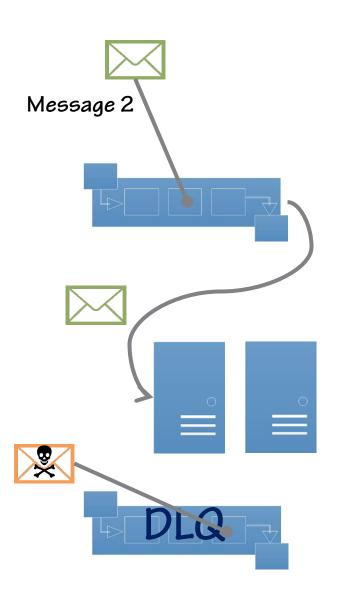
Handler 1 detects poison message

Moves to dead-letter queue

Queue removes bad message

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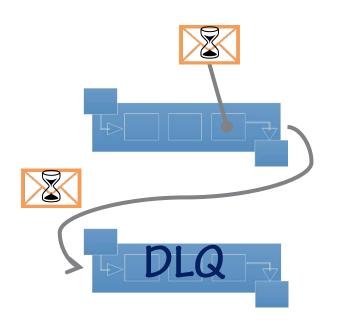
Moves to dead-letter queue

Queue removes bad message

**Handler 2 retrieves message 2** 

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#### Message queue systems use DLQ

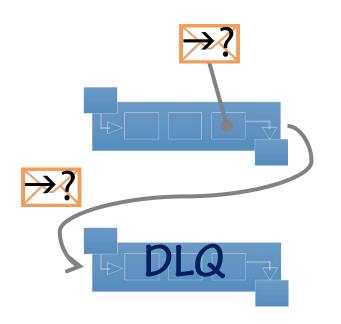
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If a message times out

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#### **MSMQ**

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#### WebSphere MQ

If the destination queue doesn't exist

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# **Summary**

#### Message queues



Asynchronous communication

#### Messaging patterns



- Fire-and-forget
- Request-response
- Publish-subscribe

#### Failed processing



- Retries
- Poison messages
- The dead-letter-queue



Message Queue PoC

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