webMethods Integration Workshop – Day 4 Broker/UM Concepts – Messaging

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Recap – Day3

Learnt So Far (Recap & assessment)

- Flow Steps - SEQUENCE
- Flow Steps – LOOP
- Flow Steps – REPEAT
- Flow Step – EXIT
- Basic Coding Standards

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Introduction

- This course will help participants to understand the basics about webMethods Brokers and Universal Messaging (UM).

- Participants will get hands on basic admin activities related to Broker/UM. This course will help in building the basic knowledge on Publish – Subscribe model.

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Objectives

- Get hands on experience in basic admin activities of broker/UM.
- Theoretical clarity on Pub-Sub model.

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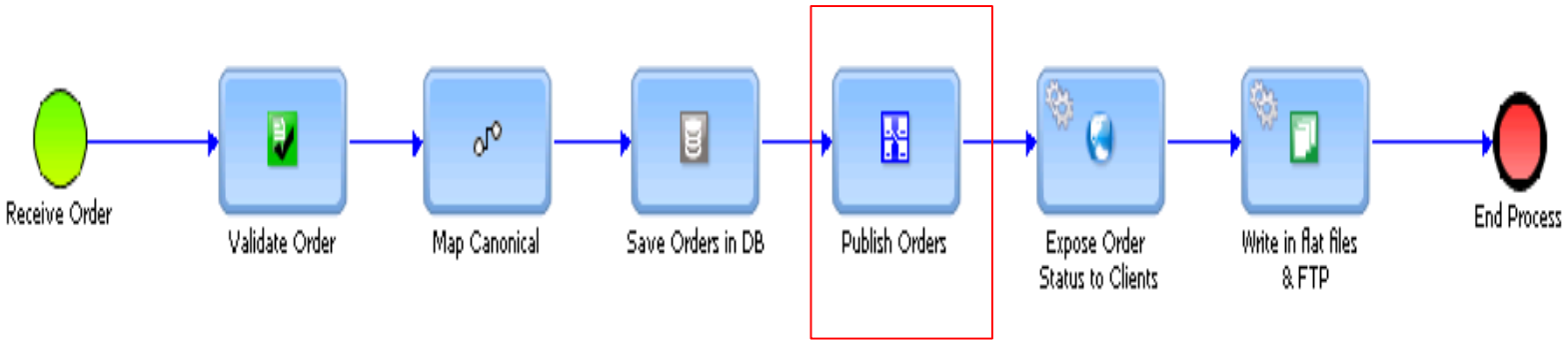

Outcome of this course :

Trainees should be able to create a flow service which publishes the OrderCustomer information to the broker and subscribe the same as part of the Practical session

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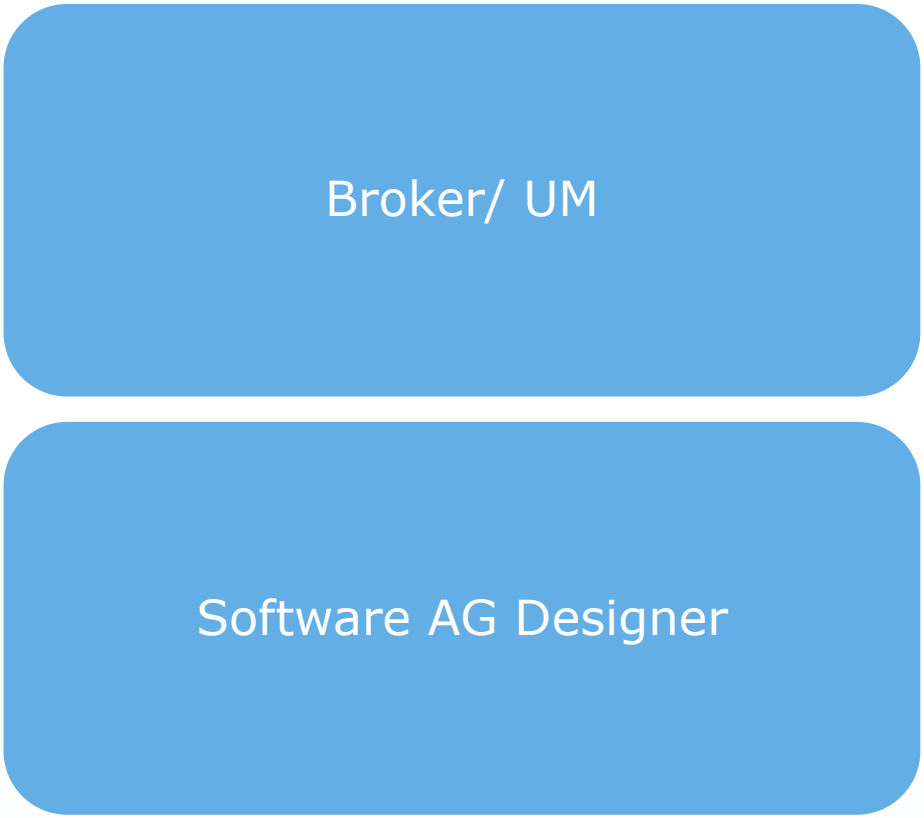
Software versions

- This class focuses on the webMethods suite



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Chapters

Day 5

- Broker– Role & Architecture
- Starting Broker
- Documents, Clients and Client Groups
- Queue
- Publish Subscribe Model
- Trigger

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Role of Broker

- It is the primary component in what is referred to as the "message backbone" in a webMethods integration environment
- Features of webMethods Broker
  - Enables exchange of data
  - Facilitates asynchronous, message-based solutions
  - Enables decoupled architecture
  - Provides Flexible Storage Option
  - Acts as High-speed message router

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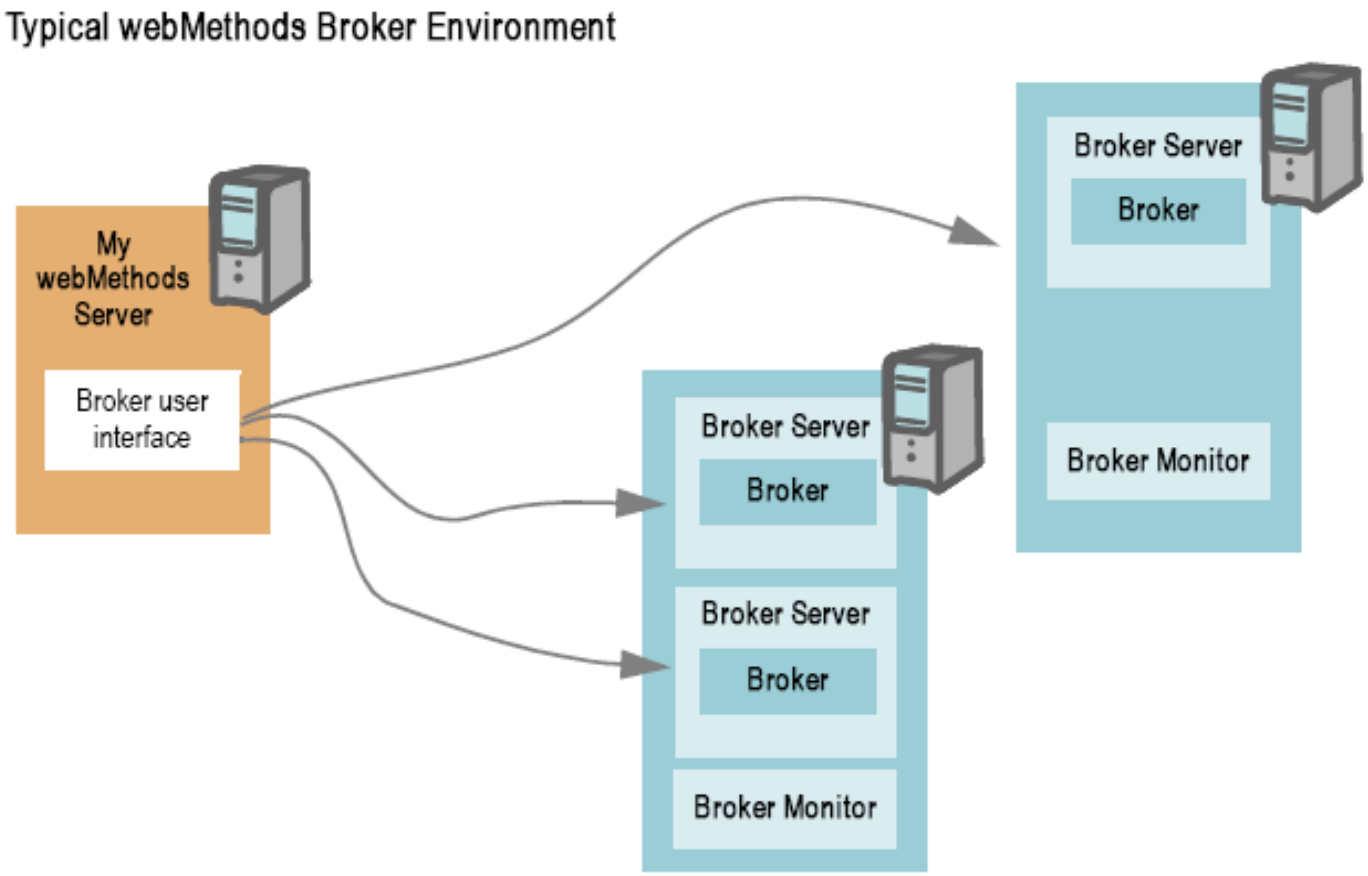
Broker Architecture & Components



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Broker Server

- Container within which one or more brokers reside
- Performs communication-related work of receiving client requests, dispatching requests to the requested resource (which in this case, is a Broker), and returning responses to clients
- One wM Broker environment can contain one or more Broker servers
- Manages communication, memory management, and queue storage for all the Brokers that it hosts

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Broker

- An entity that resides on Broker server
- Multiple Brokers can be configured on Broker Server
- Routes documents between publishers and subscribers
- When a client connects to Broker Server, the client specifies the Broker with which it wants to interact
- Three key objects of Broker
  - Document types – to identify the kind of documents that clients of Broker can exchange
  - Client Groups – to define specific properties and permissions that Broker applies to clients
  - Client State Objects – to maintain information about individual clients that use the Broker

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Broker Monitor

- A separate process that runs on the machine that hosts Broker Server
- Automatically installed when you install webMethods Broker
- Functions of Broker Monitor
  - Starts Broker Servers
  - Automatically attempts to restart any stopped Broker server
  - Logs status messages about Broker Servers

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Broker User Interface

- Plug-in that executes on My webMethods Server
- Connects to Broker Server as an administrative client
- Used for configuring, monitoring and managing Broker Servers and the Brokers that they host

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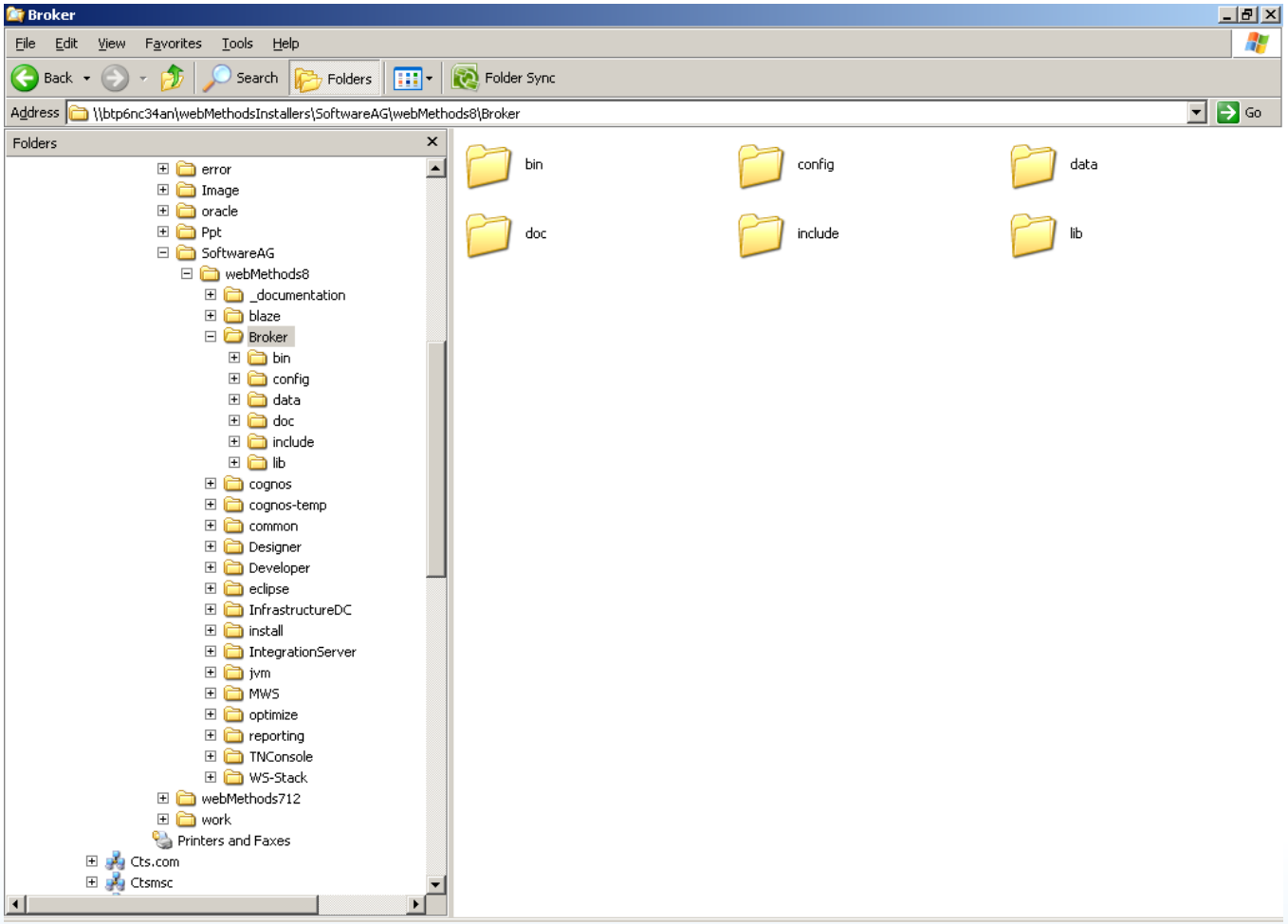
Broker Folder Structure



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Starting & Stopping Broker

- In My webMethods: Messaging > Broker Servers > Servers
- In the Broker Servers List, select the check box beside the Broker Server that you want to start/stop/restart
- Click Start/Stop/Restart

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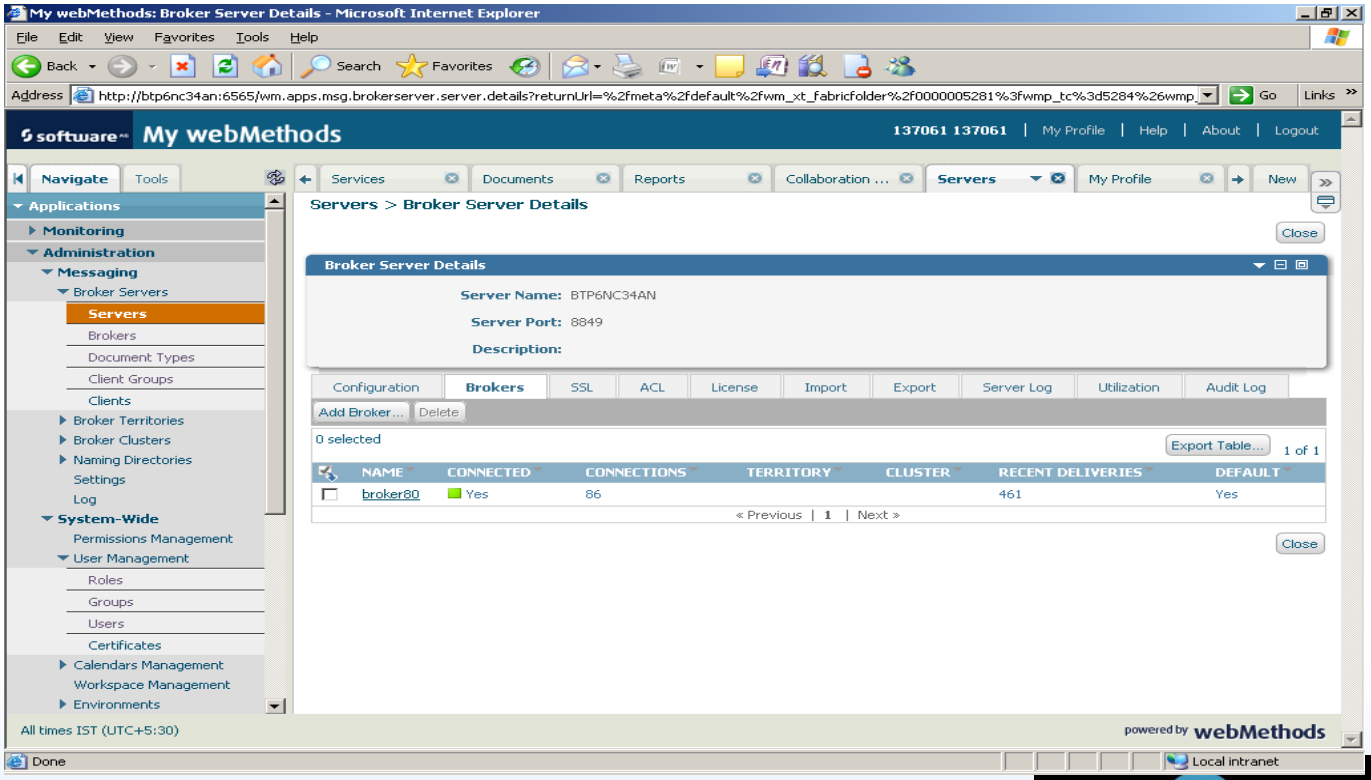
Creating a Broker

- Prerequisite: Broker Server should be created. In My webMethods: Messaging > Broker Servers
- In the Broker Servers List, click the Broker Server on which you want to create the Broker. Select the Brokers tab and click Add Broker. Add a name for the new Broker



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Documents

- Documents are messages that travel over a network from a publisher to a subscriber, through the Broker
- The role of the Broker is to route documents between information producers (publishers) and information consumers (subscribers)
- The Broker receives, queues, and delivers documents
- Each document is an instance of a document type

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Document Types

- A document type is a schema-like definition that describes the structure of a document that publishers and subscribers can exchange using the Broker
- A document type has a unique name, a structure that consists of named fields, and a set of properties that determines how the Broker handles instances of that document type at run time
- Clients indicate which documents they want to receive by subscribing to specific document types
- A document type must exist on the Broker before clients can publish instances of that type

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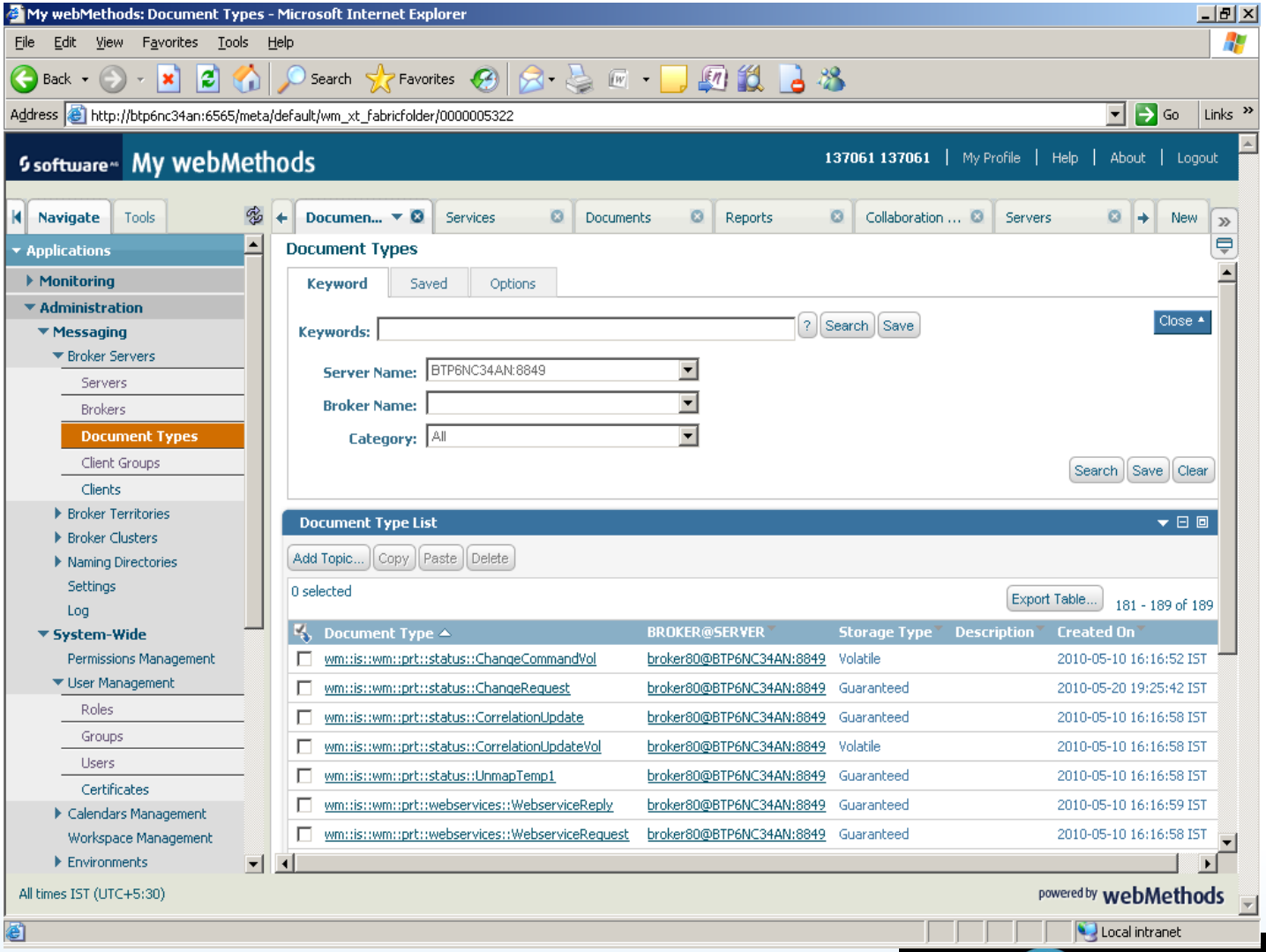

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Client Groups

- A Client Group represents a particular group or category of client

(e.g., administrators, customers, Integration Server processes)

- Some of the properties in a client group determine
  - How Broker interacts with client
  - Which document types a client is permitted to publish and to which document types it can subscribe
  - Which document types the client can log to the audit subsystem
  - The ACL in the client group determines which clients are authorized to connect as members of that particular group

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Clients

- A client is an object on the Broker that represents the connection between a client program and the Broker
- A client program creates a client to publish or retrieve documents
- A client program creates a client using one of the Broker APIs
- A client might be created by
  - Client program (using JMS, C#, or Java APIs)
  - webMethods Integration Server (triggers)
  - My webMethods (clients for performing administrative tasks)

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Working of a Client

- A client program publishes documents to a Broker Server using its client.
- The Broker Server's publishing engine routes documents published by a client to other clients that subscribe to those documents.
- A client program subscribes to documents by registering document type subscriptions with its client.
- Broker places the documents to which a client subscribes in the client's Queue.
- A client program then retrieves the documents from its client queue.

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Queue

- A queue contains the published documents to which a client subscribes
- A document remains in the queue until the client retrieves it or until the document expires
- Each queue has a storage type that determines whether documents in the queue are saved in local memory (volatile storage) or are saved to disk (guaranteed storage)

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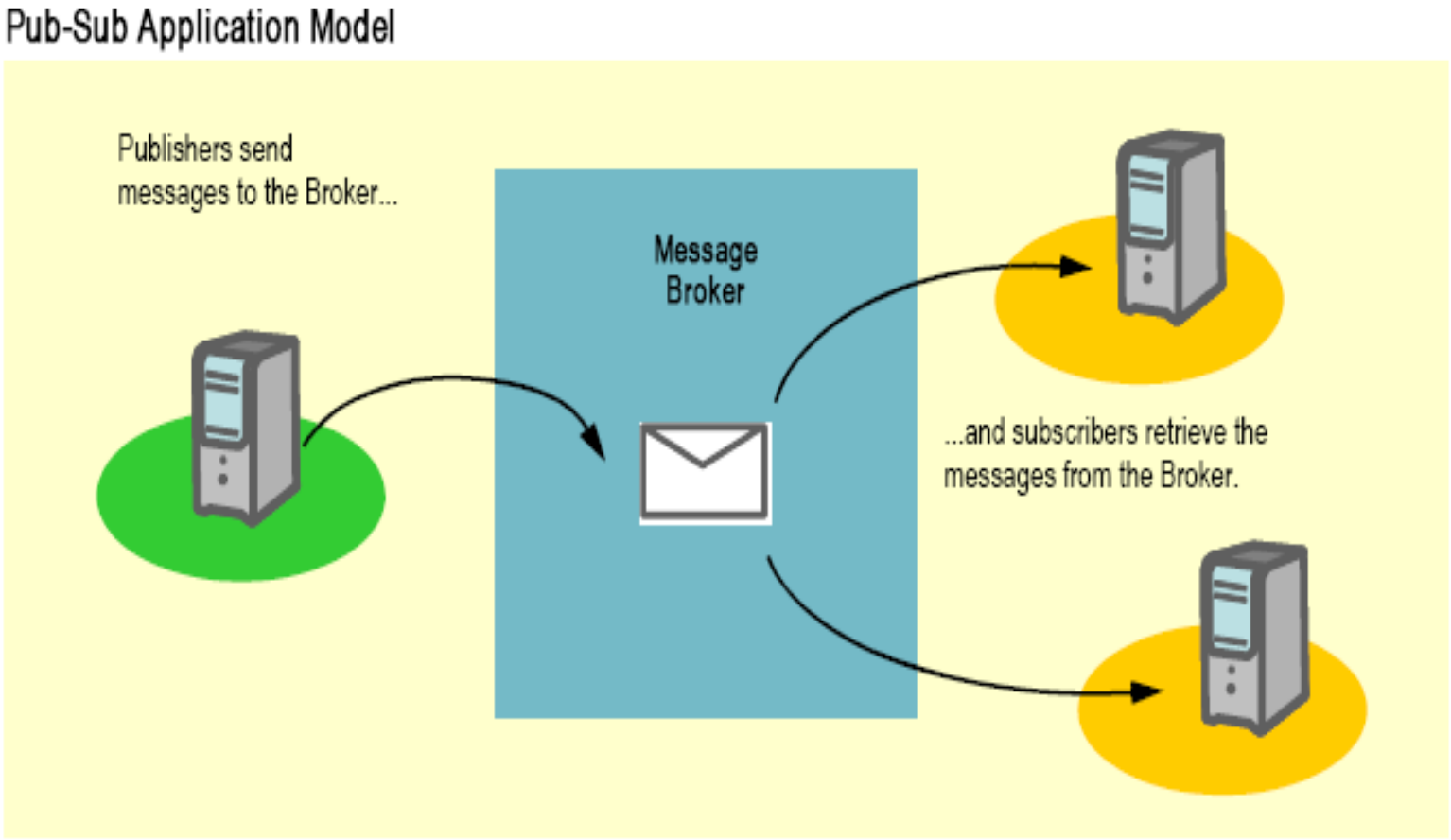
Publish Subscribe Model



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Pub Sub Model

- It is a specific type of message-based solution in which messages are exchanged through a message broker
- Producers and Consumers are decoupled and interaction is asynchronous
- Basic Elements in the Publish-and-Subscribe Model
  - Documents
  - Publishable Document Types
  - Triggers
  - Services
  - Adapter Notifications
  - Canonical Documents

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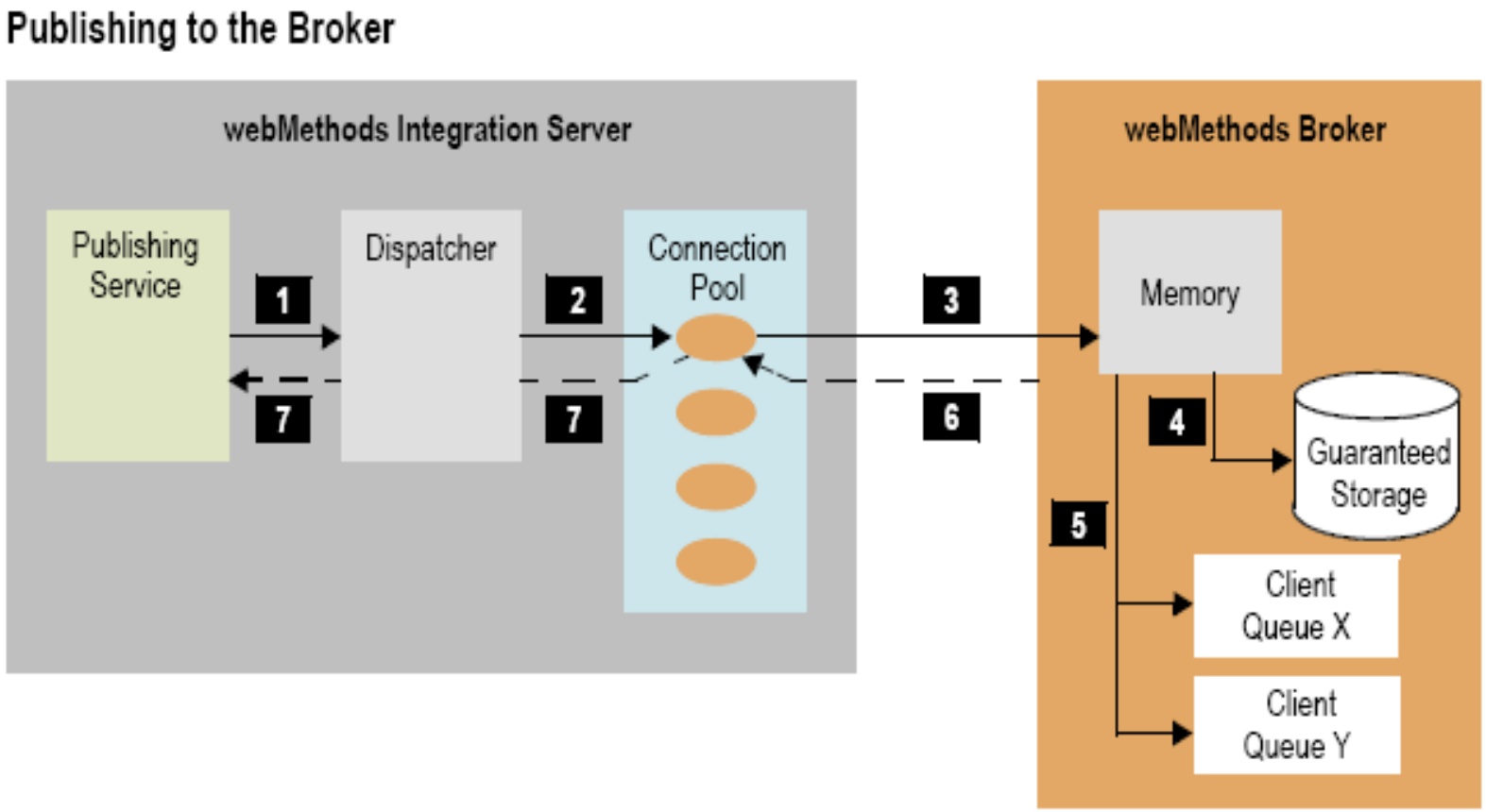
Publishing Documents to Broker



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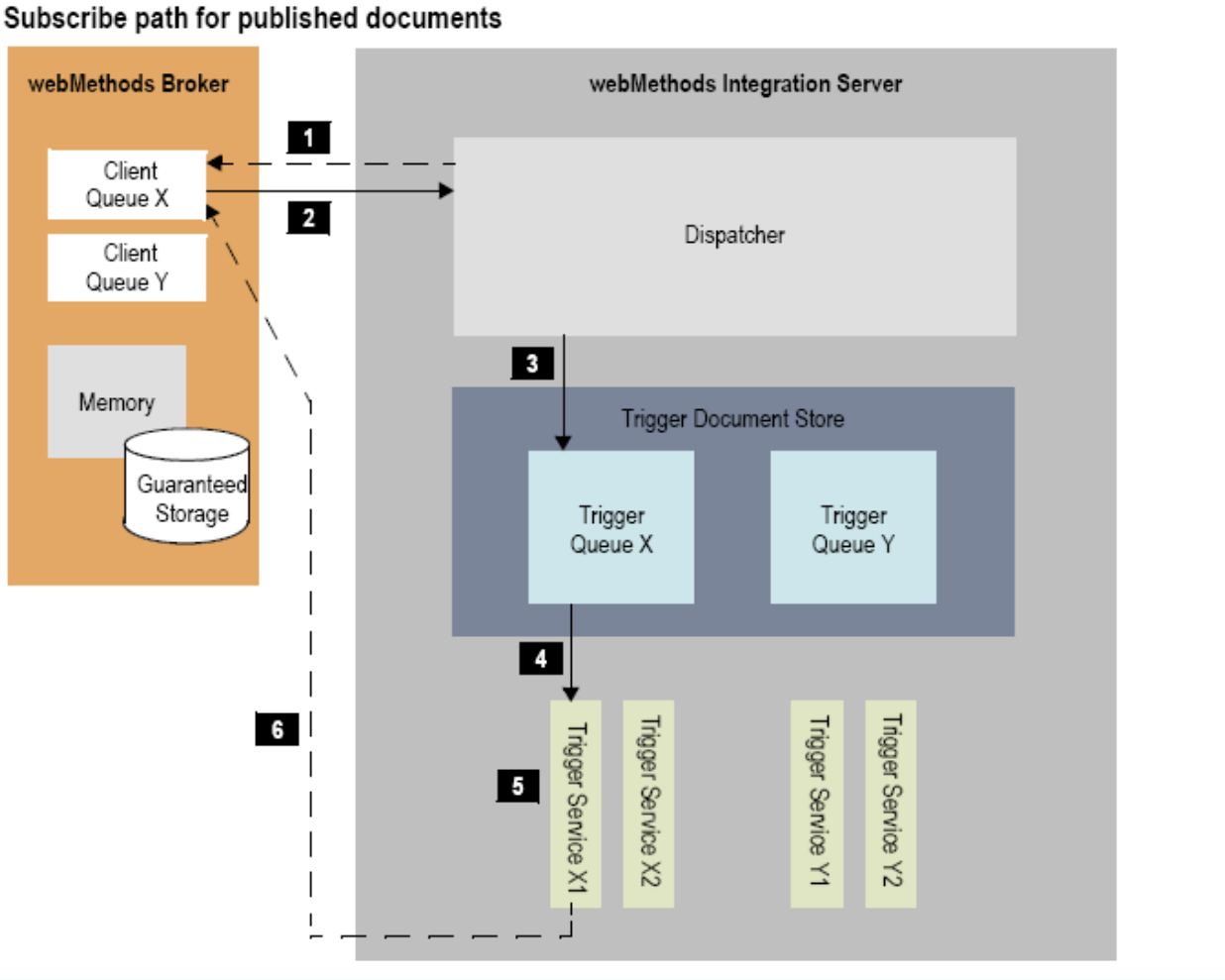
Subscribe path



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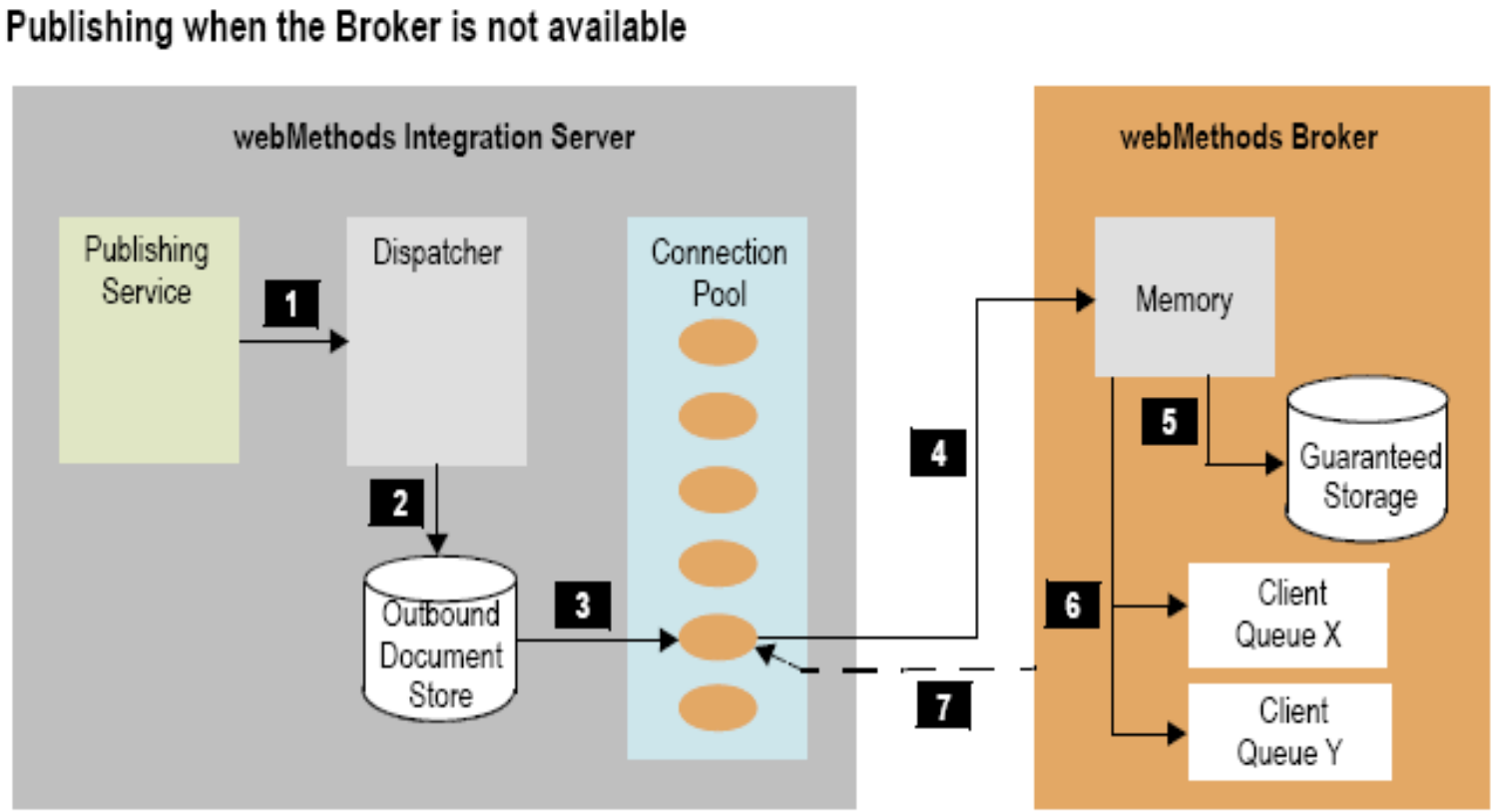
Publishing Documents – Broker Down



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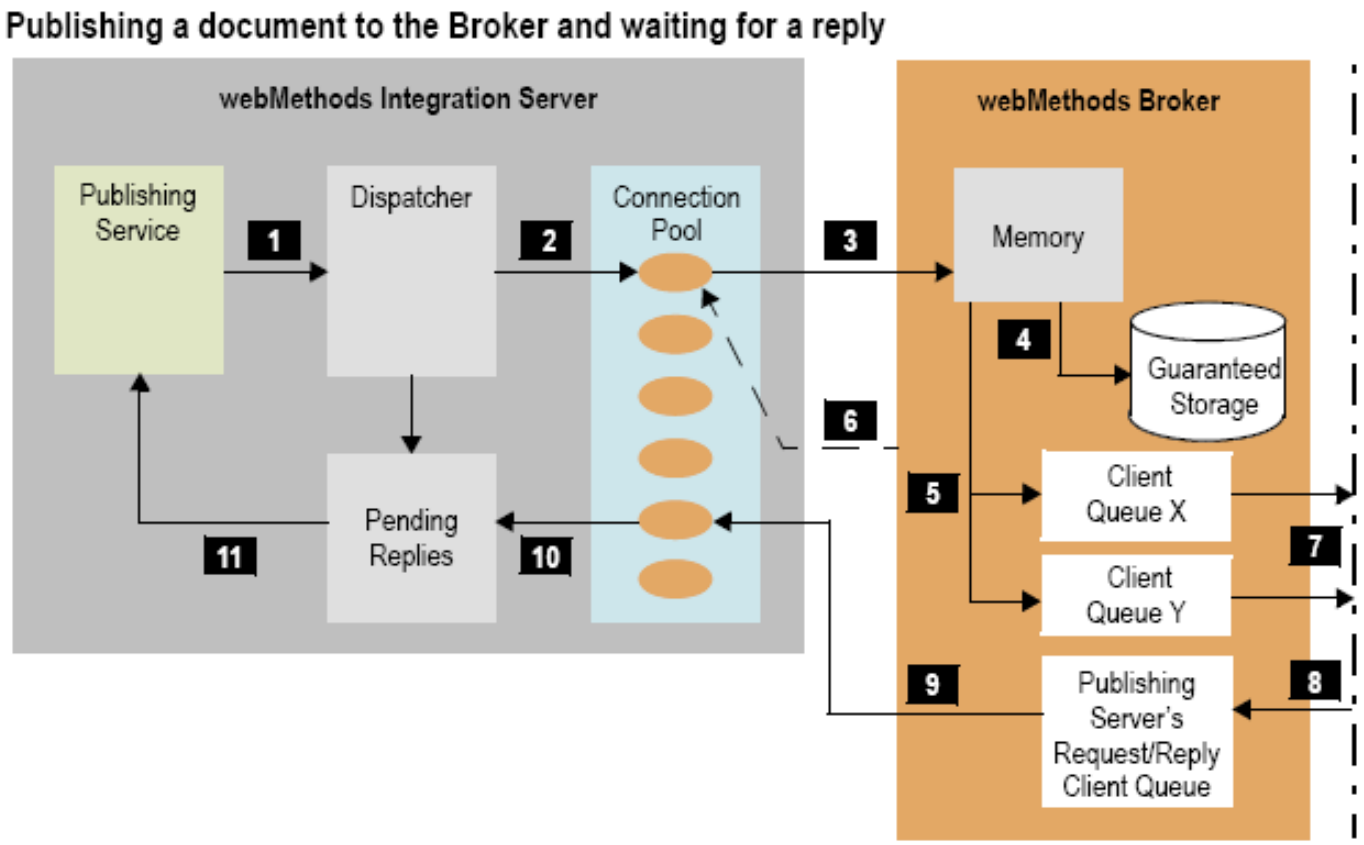
Publishing Documents – Wait for reply



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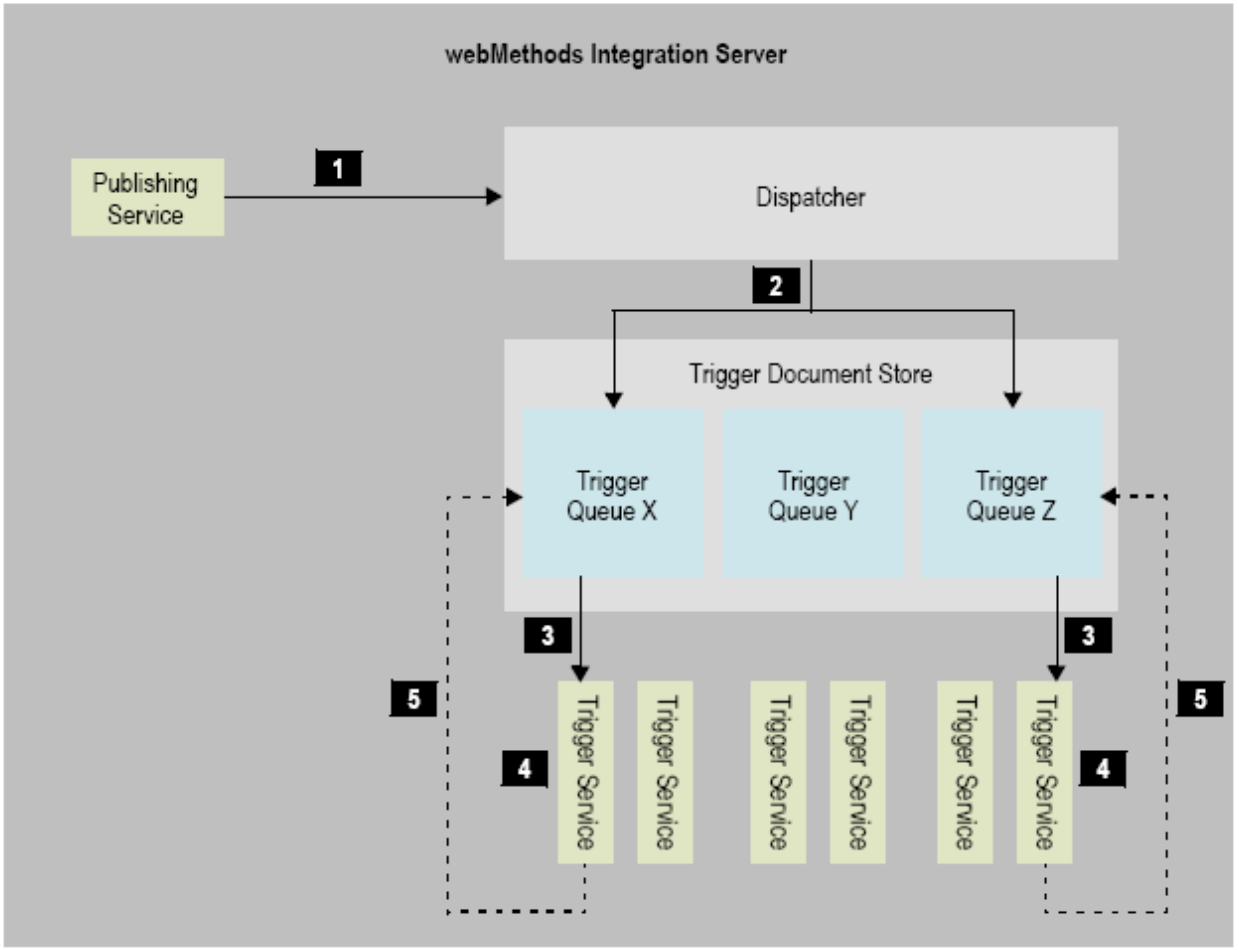
Local Publishing

Publishing a document locally



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Trigger

- Establishes subscriptions to publishable document types
- Specifies how to process instances of those publishable document types
- The service that processes a document received by a trigger is called a trigger service.
- Trigger Properties
  - Disabling and Enabling a Trigger
  - Setting a Join Time-out
  - Specifying Trigger Queue Capacity and Refill Level
  - Controlling Document Acknowledgements for a Trigger
  - Selecting Messaging Processing
  - Trigger Service Retry Limit

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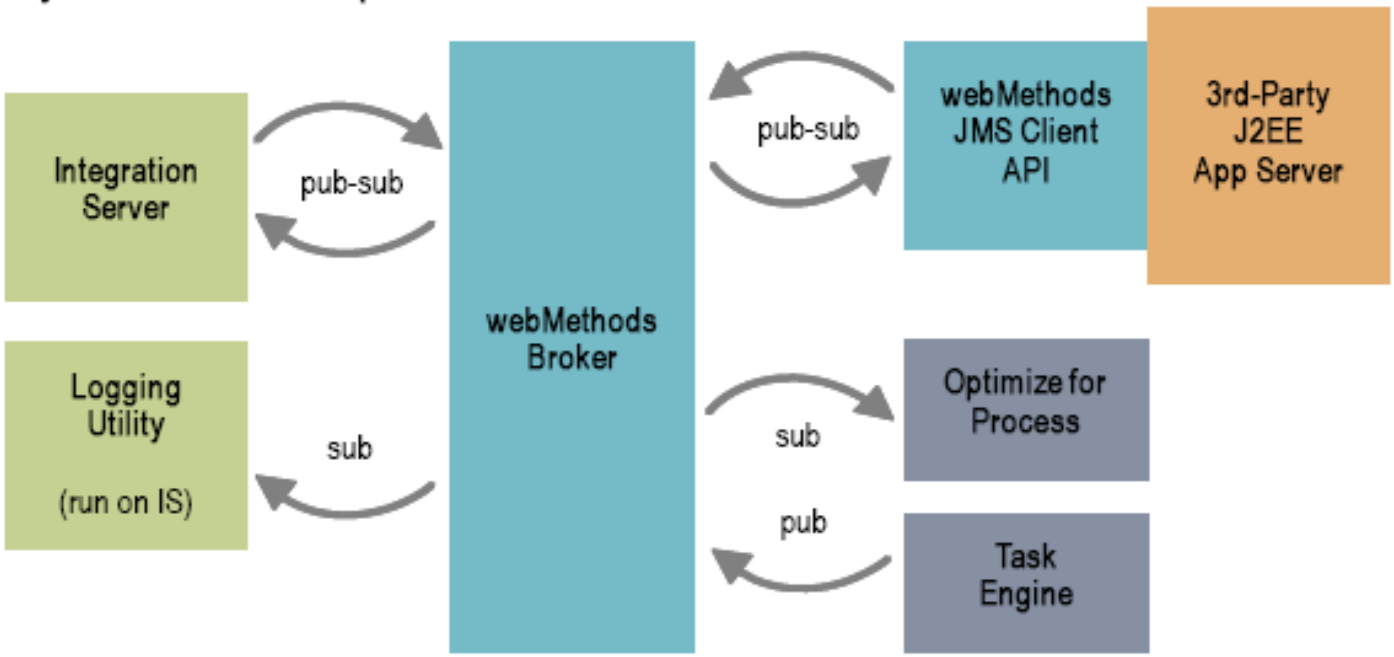
Broker – Other Components

Many webMethods components interact with the Broker



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Summary

What have we learnt today ?

- Broker Architecture
- Starting & Stopping Broker
- Documents, Clients, Client Groups
- Triggers
- Publish Subscribe Model
- Local Publishing
- Trigger

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Q & A

- What is the role of broker ?
- What is the difference between Broker server & Broker Monitor?
- How many broker servers can a wM Broker environment have ?
- What are the three key objects of the broker?
- Where is the broker data getting stored ?
- What is Client group and Client ?
- Brief about Pub-Sub model and what is the behavior when the broker goes down ?
- What is a Trigger ?
- Mention few trigger properties.

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Thank you

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