MQ for z/OS: Better Performance from knowing a bit about the internals
Session 27053

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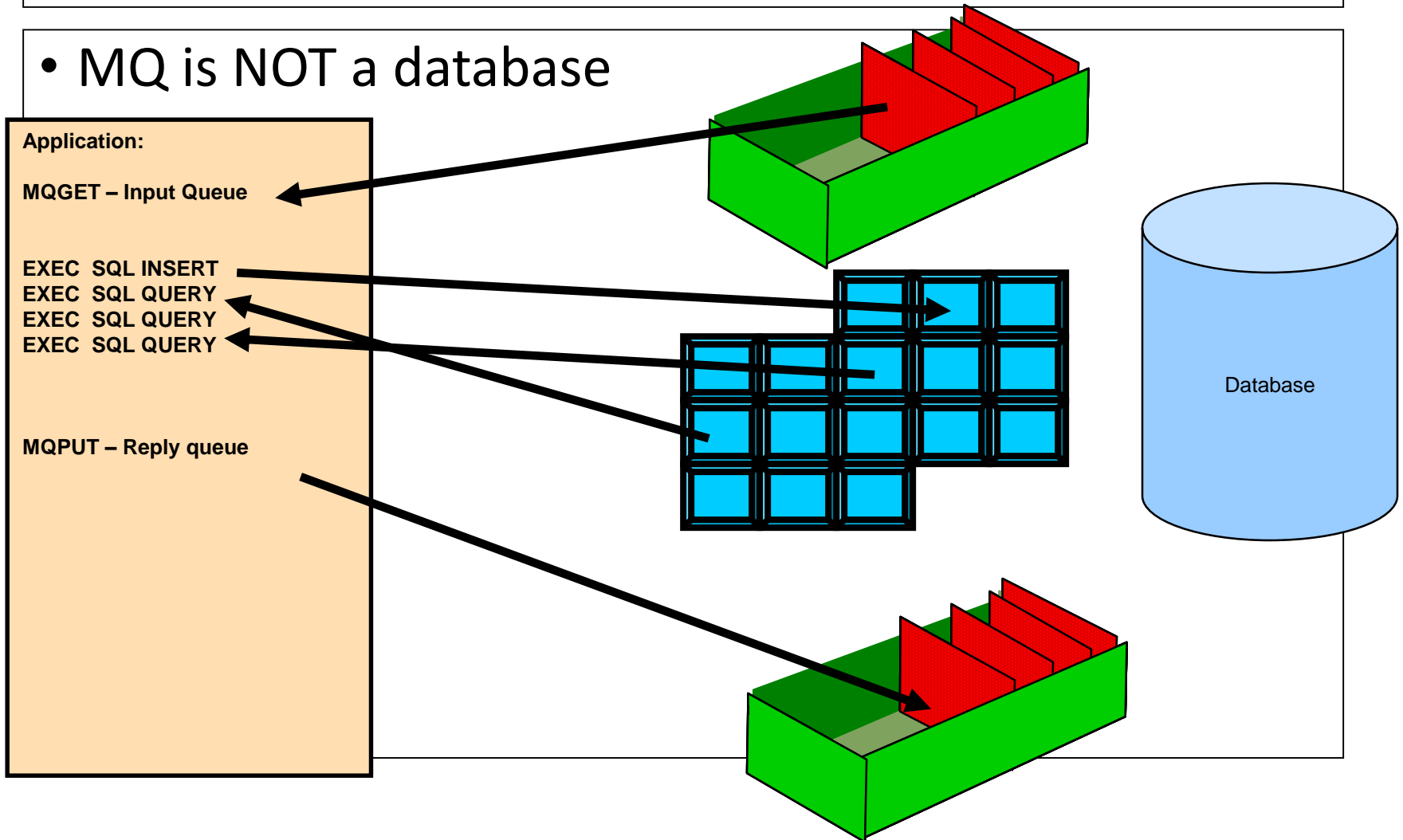
Agenda – QMGR Internals Overview

- Why is this important to me?
- One of these things is not like the other
- How are messages stored?
  - Private Queues
  - Shared Queues
- How do application programs access the queue manager?
- First line managers - the components of a z/OS queue manager
- What happens on a API call?
- Summary

Why is this topic important to me?

- Queue manager performance
  - Knowing how the pieces fit together
- Application performance
  - If the queue manager is not tuned, responsiveness can be affected
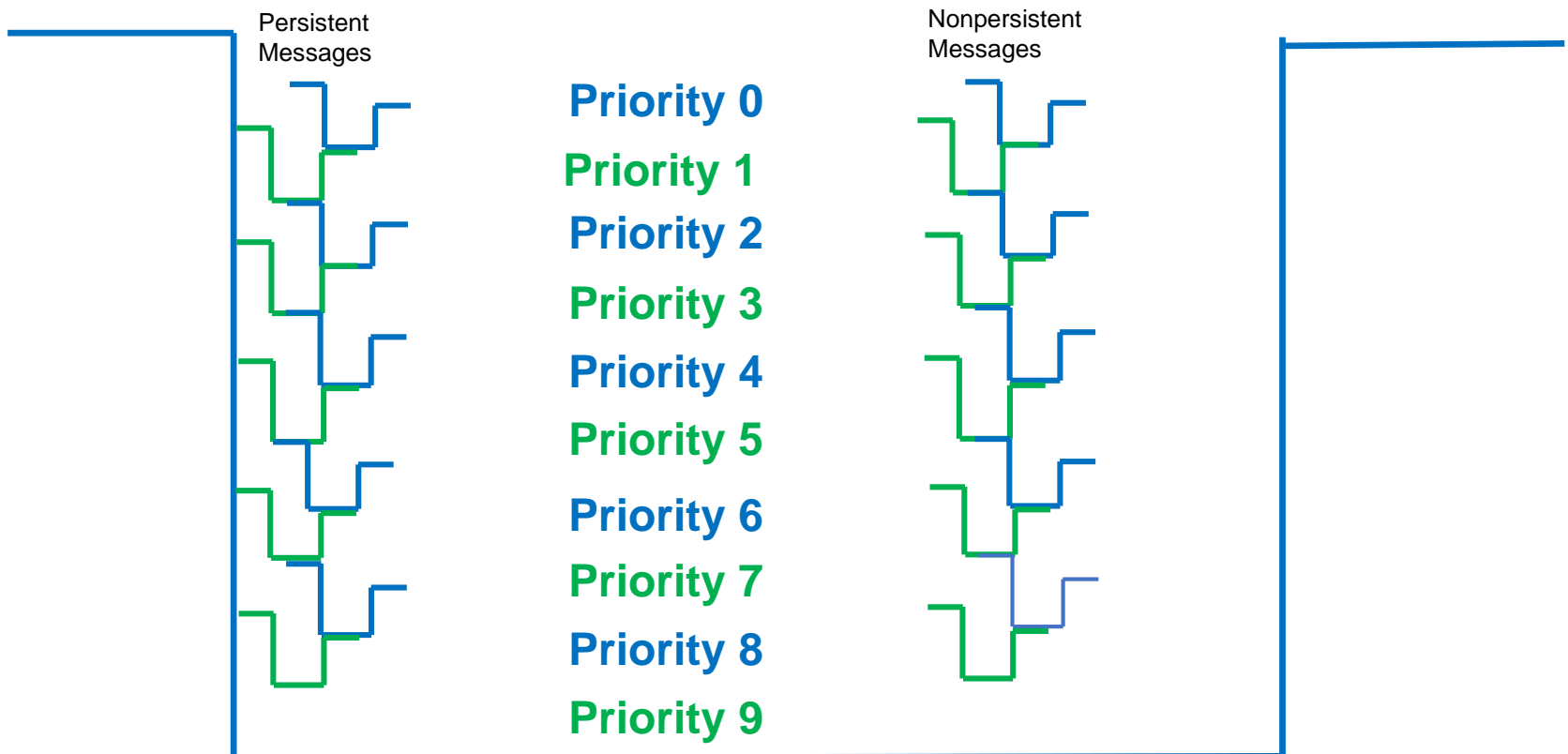- Problem resolution

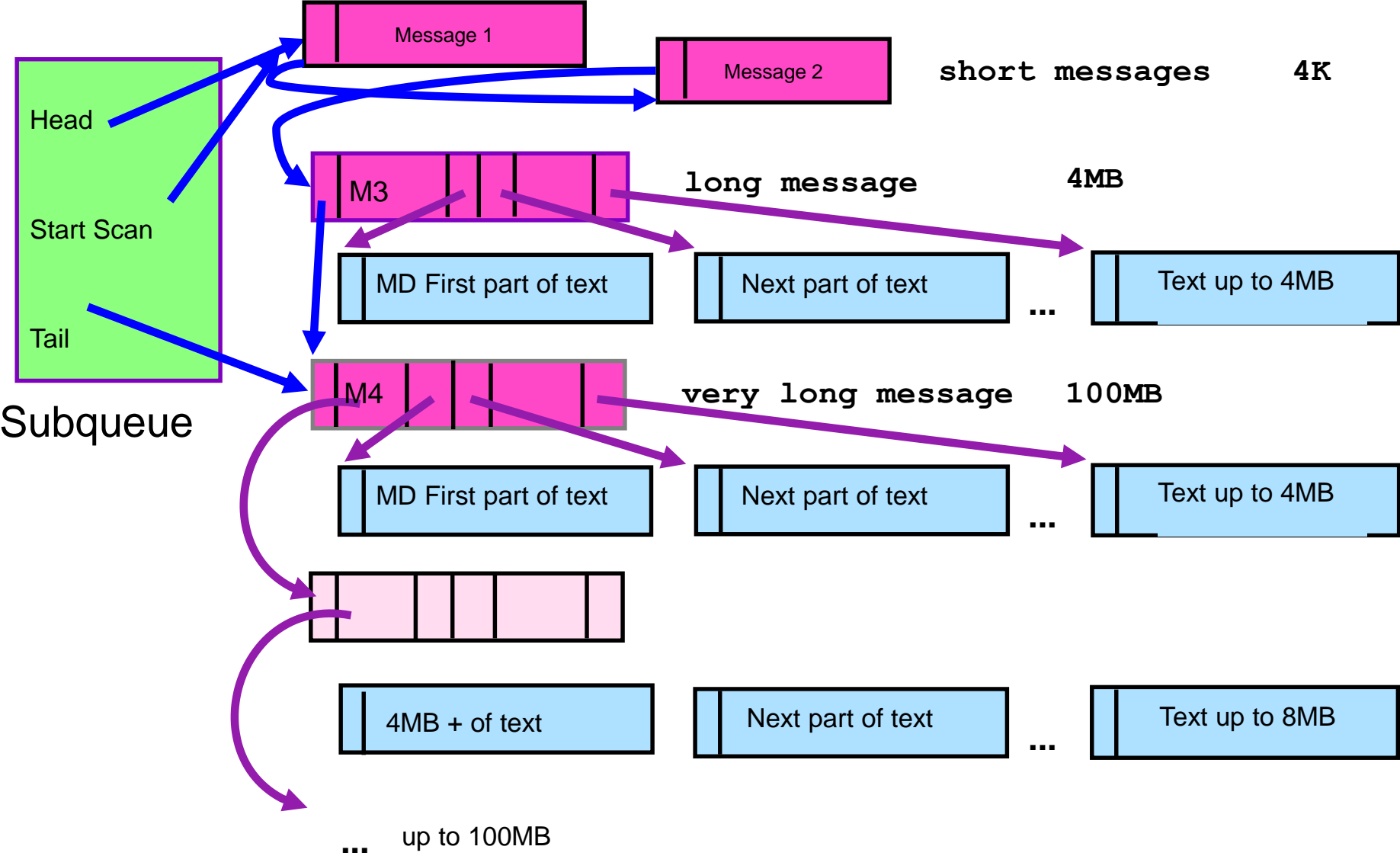# One of these things is not like the other

- MQ is NOT a database

Application:

MQGET – Input Queue

EXEC SQL INSERT
EXEC SQL QUERY
EXEC SQL QUERY
EXEC SQL QUERY

MQPUT – Reply queue

Database

The Internal Representation of a Queue

- Sub-queues within a queue

Persistent Messages

Nonpersistent Messages

Priority 0
Priority 1
Priority 2
Priority 3
Priority 4
Priority 5
Priority 6
Priority 7
Priority 8
Priority 9

Private Queue Message Storage

Message 1

Message 2

short messages   4K

Head

Start Scan

Tail

Subqueue

M3

long message   4MB

MD First part of text

Next part of text

...

Text up to 4MB

M4

very long message   100MB

MD First part of text

Next part of text

...

Text up to 4MB

4MB + of text

Next part of text

...

Text up to 8MB

...   up to 100MB
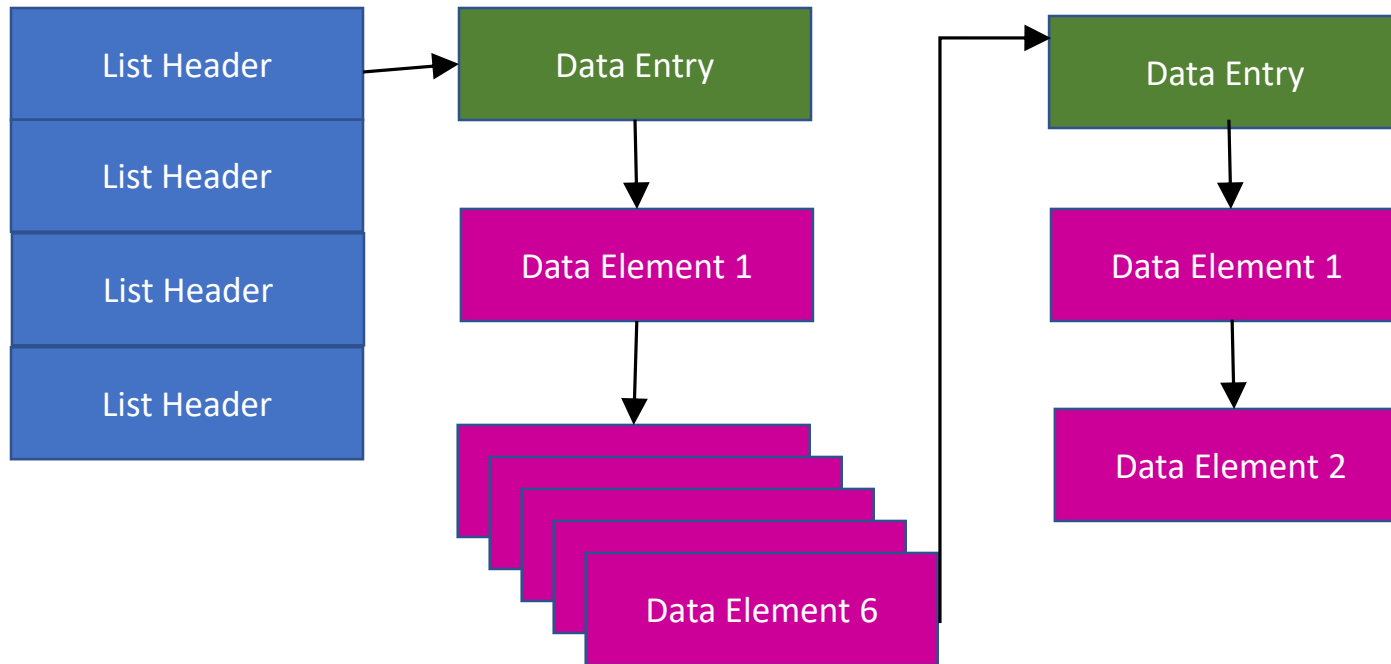
Coupling Facility List Structure

Coupling Facility List Structure
What does a queue look like?

List Header
Committed Puts

List Header
Uncommitted Puts

List Header
Uncommitted Gets

List Header
Expired Messages

List Header -
Queue Def & Info

Data Entry Key Info
(MQMD Like)

Data Element 1
MQMD

Data Element 6 –
end of MSG Body

Data Entry Key Info

Data Element 1
MQMD

Data Element 2 –
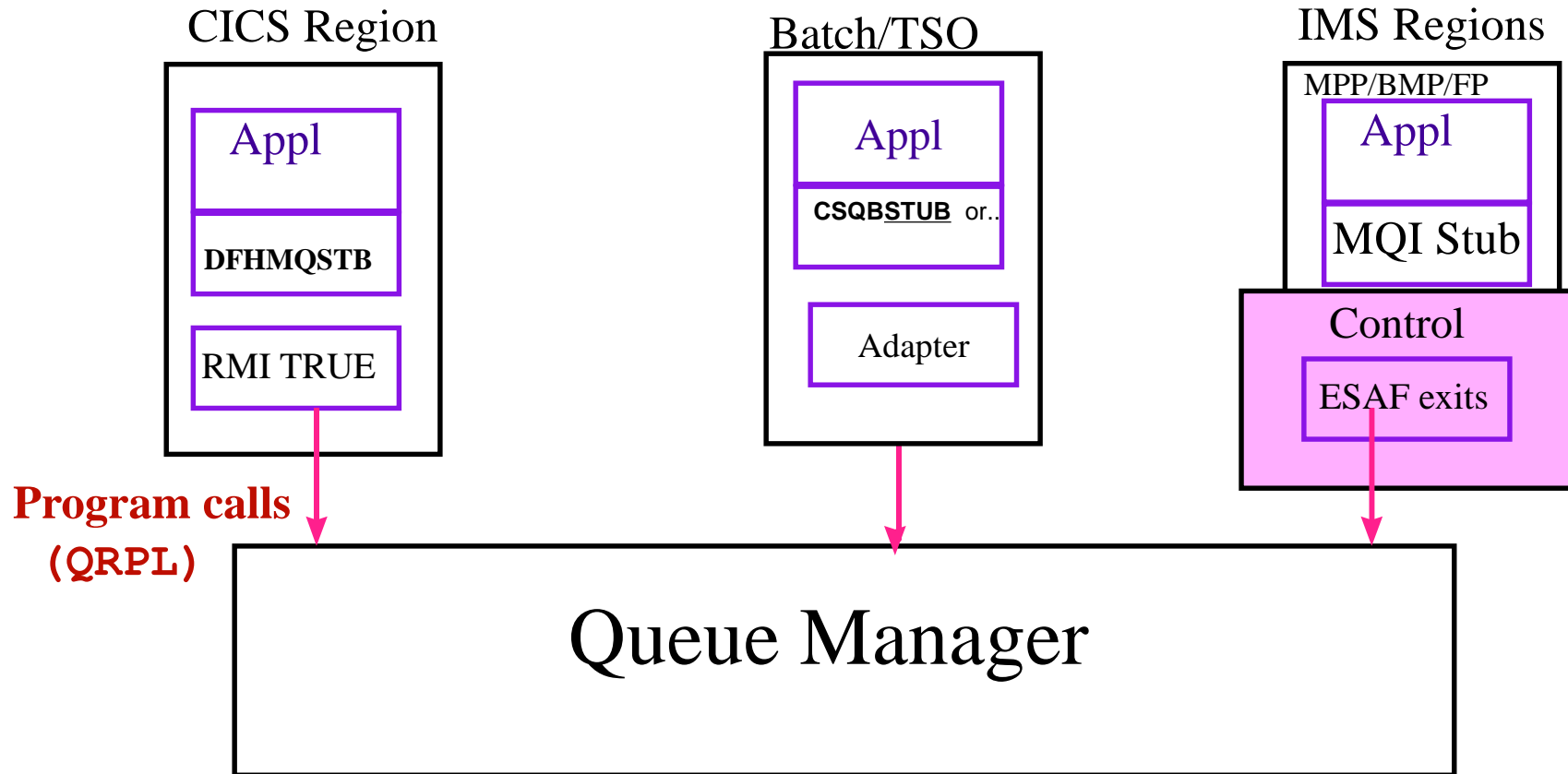MQMD and Body
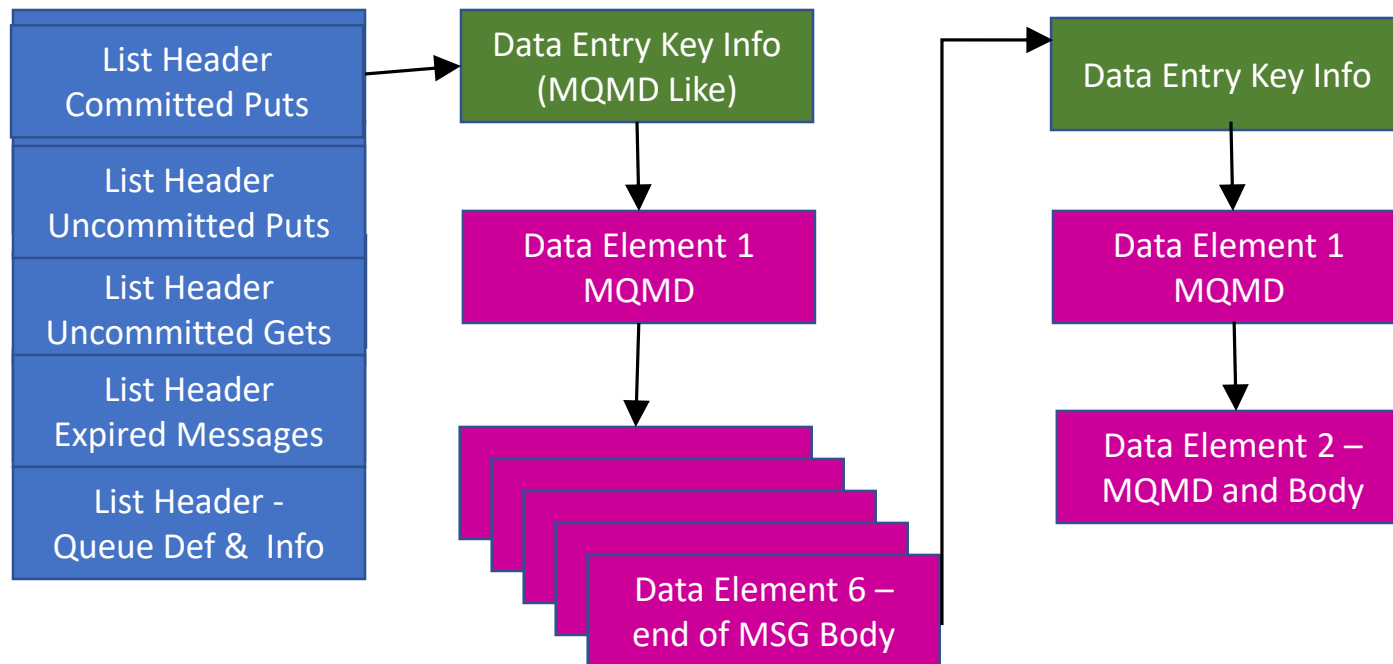
Shared Queue Message Storage

- Messages are stored in one of several ways:
  - Entirely within the list structure
  - Control information (CI) on list structure, message body in DB2
  - CI on list structure, message on Shared Message Data Sets
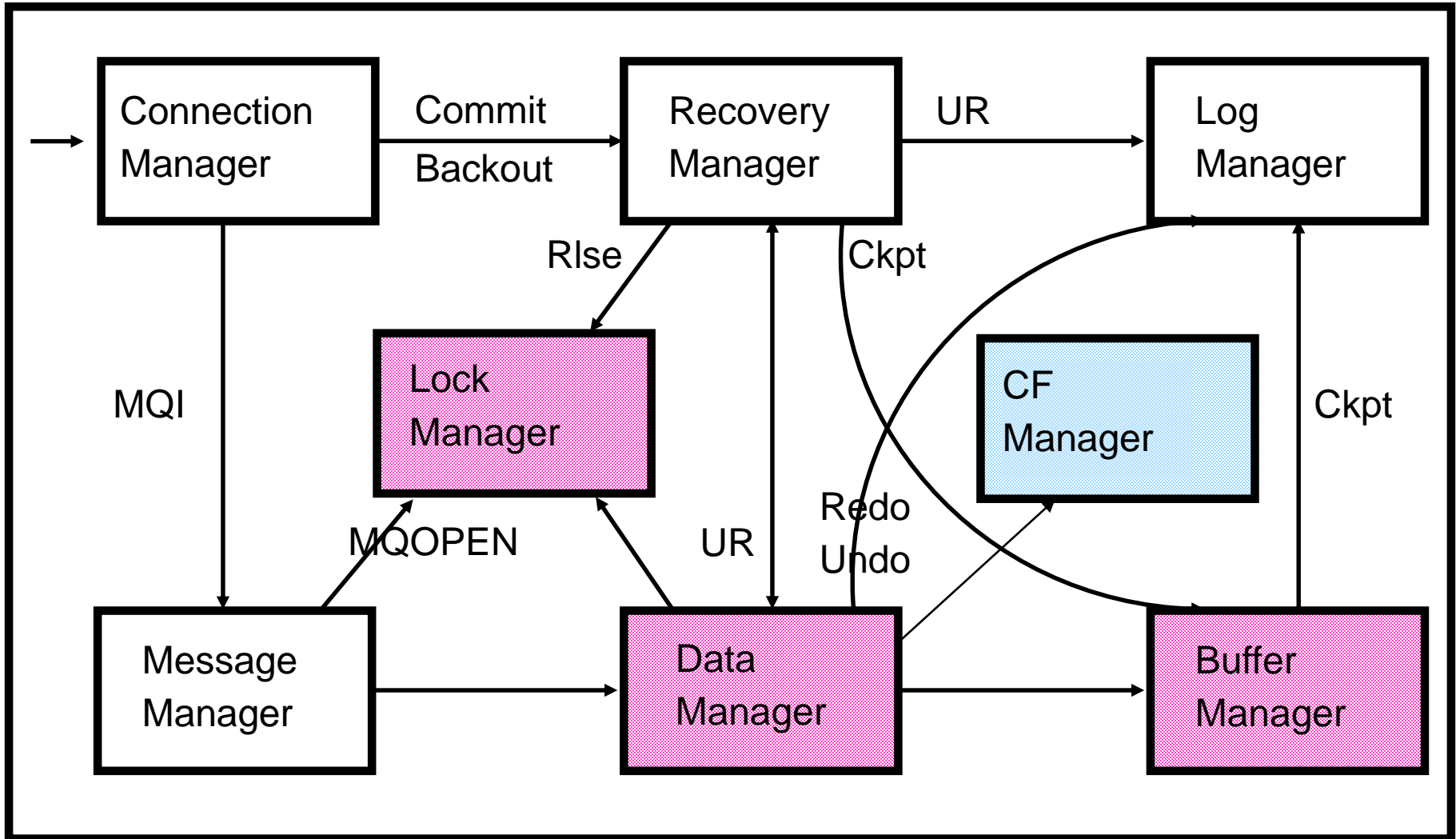 - CI and/or message moved to Flash Memory (not shown)

MQMD	yada, yada, yada, yada,yada

MQMD	yada, yada, yada, yada,yada

MQMD	yada, yada, yada, yada,yada

DB2 Blobs

	yada, yada, yada, yada,yada

CF
Appl
Structure

MQMD
CNTL Info

Shared Message
Data Set
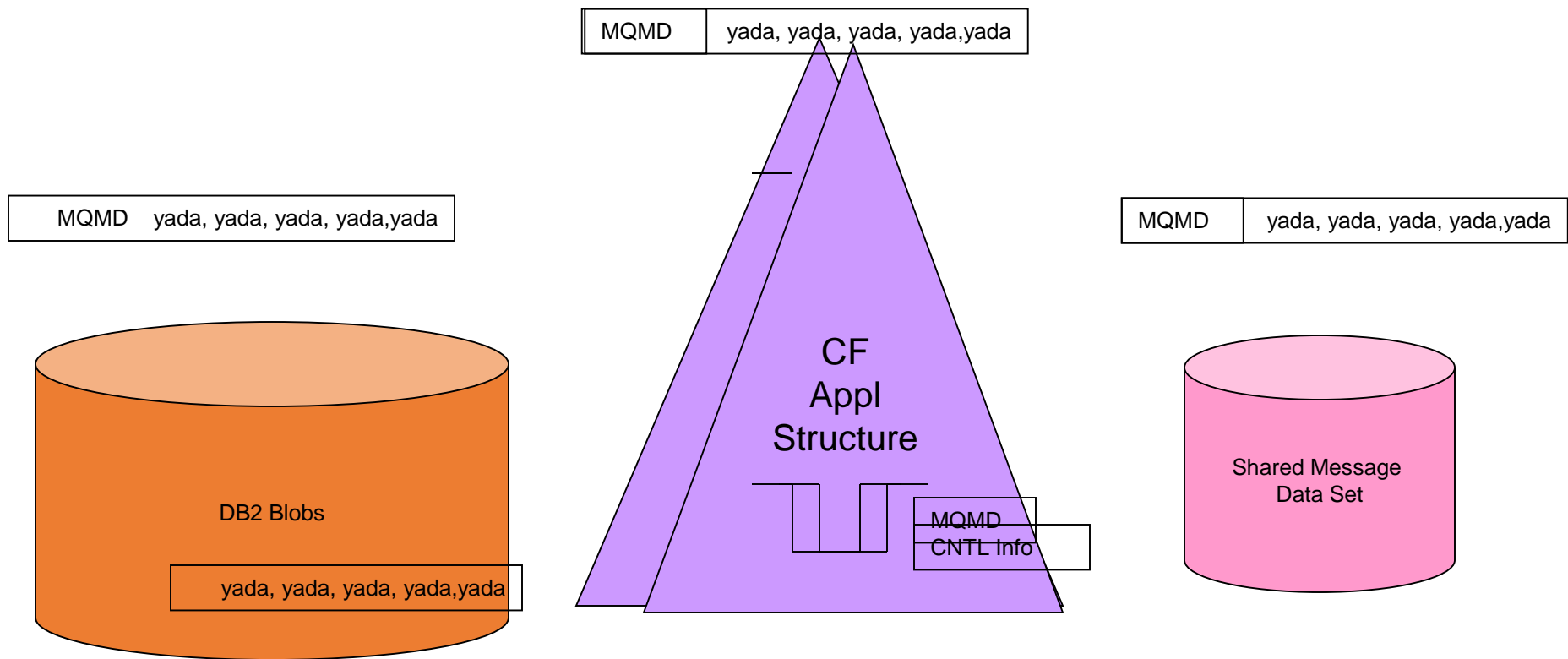
Getting requests into the queue manager - Stubs and Adapters

CICS Region

- Appl
- **DFHMQSTB**
- RMI TRUE

Batch/TSO

- Appl
- **CSQBSTUB** or..
- Adapter

IMS Regions

MPP/BMP/FP
- Appl
- MQI Stub

Control
- ESAF exits
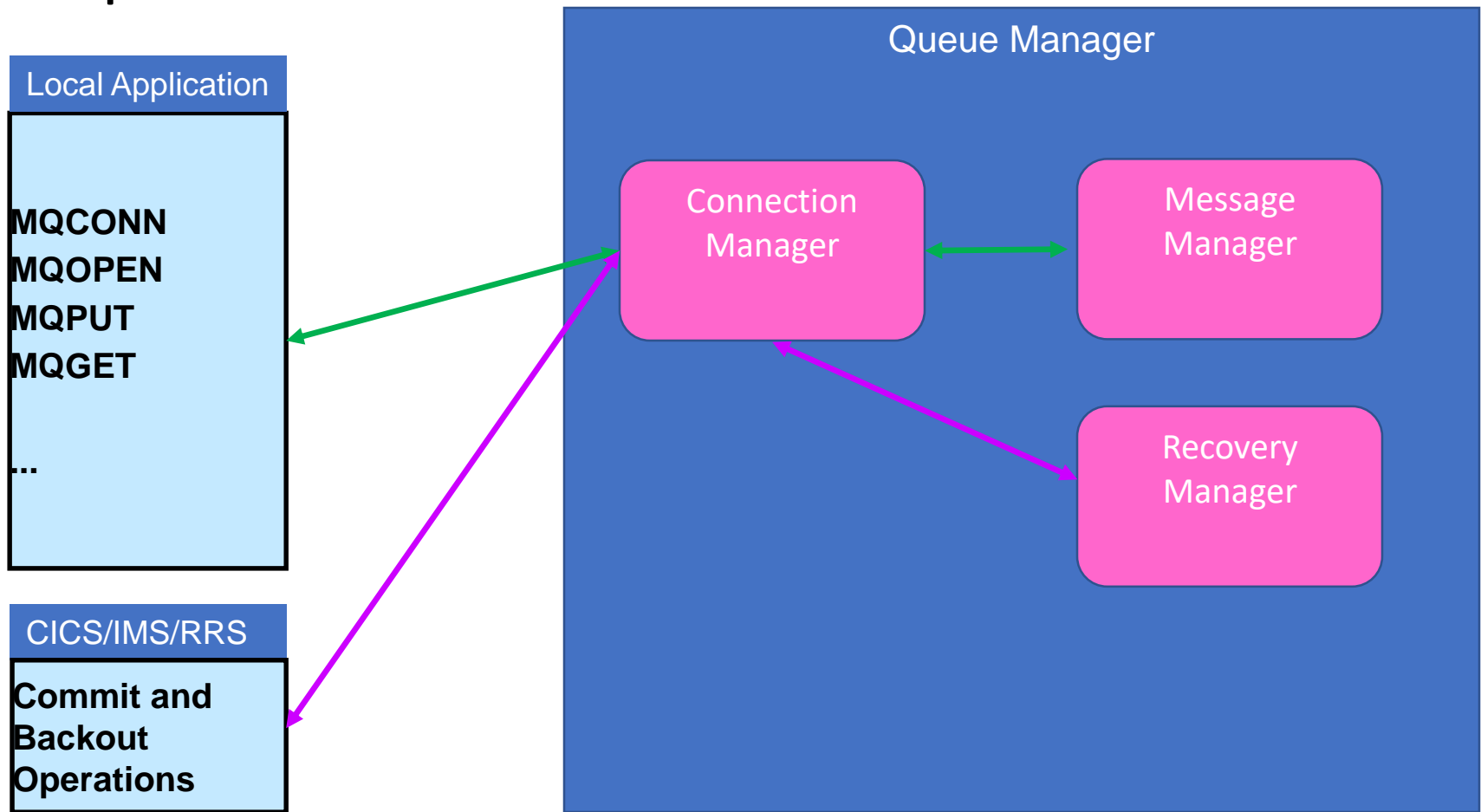
Program calls (QRPL)

Queue Manager

First Line Managers – who does the real work

- To provide the qualities of service that are the basis for WMQ, the real work within the queue manager is divided into logical 'workers' or managers. They interact with the applications and the underlying z/OS resource managers.

- They include:
  - Connection Manager – not the Channel Initiator, but local connections
  - Recovery Manager
  - Log Manager
  - Message Manager
  - Topic manager
  - Data Manager
  - Buffer Manager
  - Lock Manager
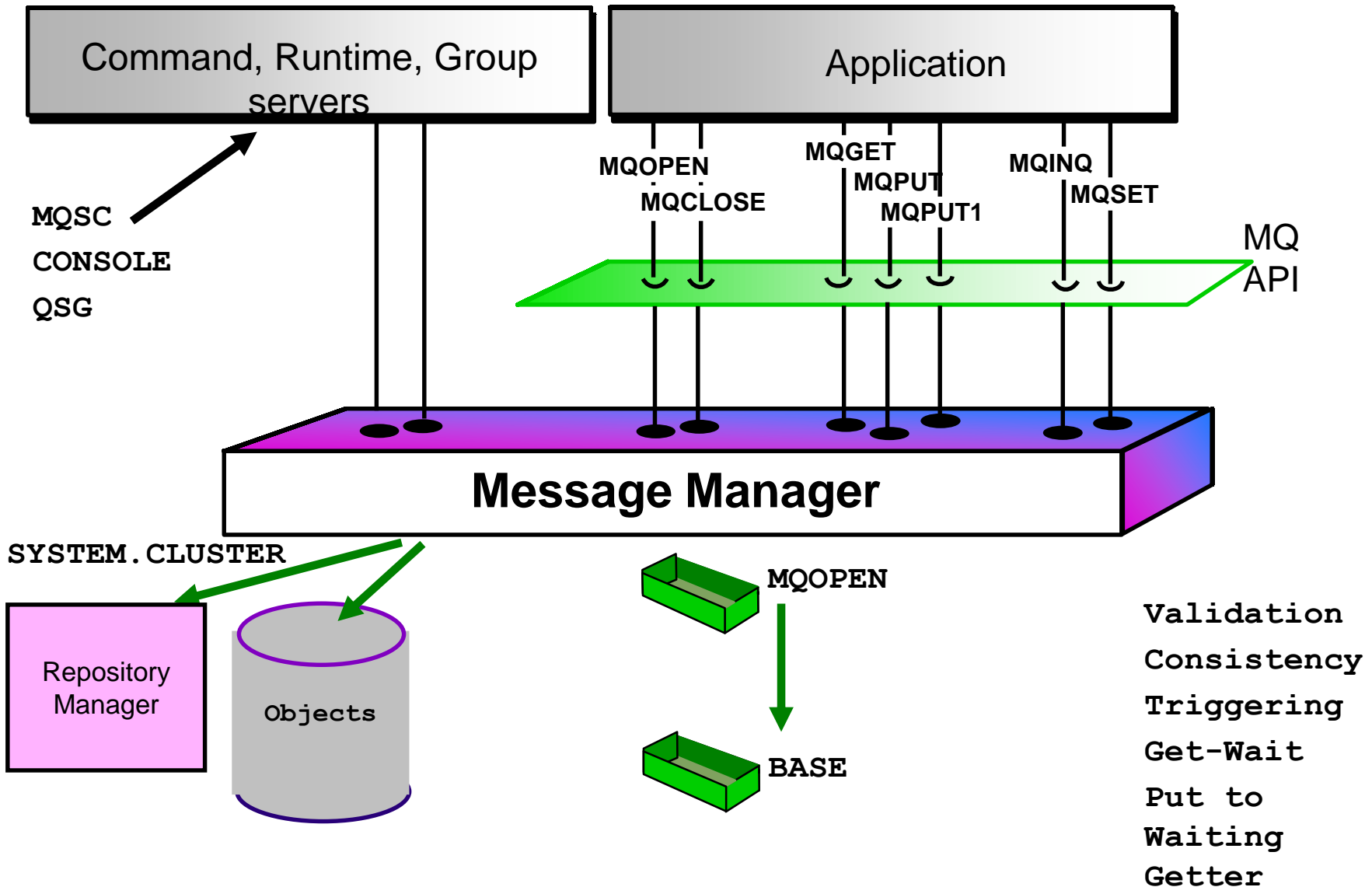 - Storage Manager
  - CF Manager
  - Security Manager……

Building Blocks - Resource Managers

Connection Manager

Commit
Backout
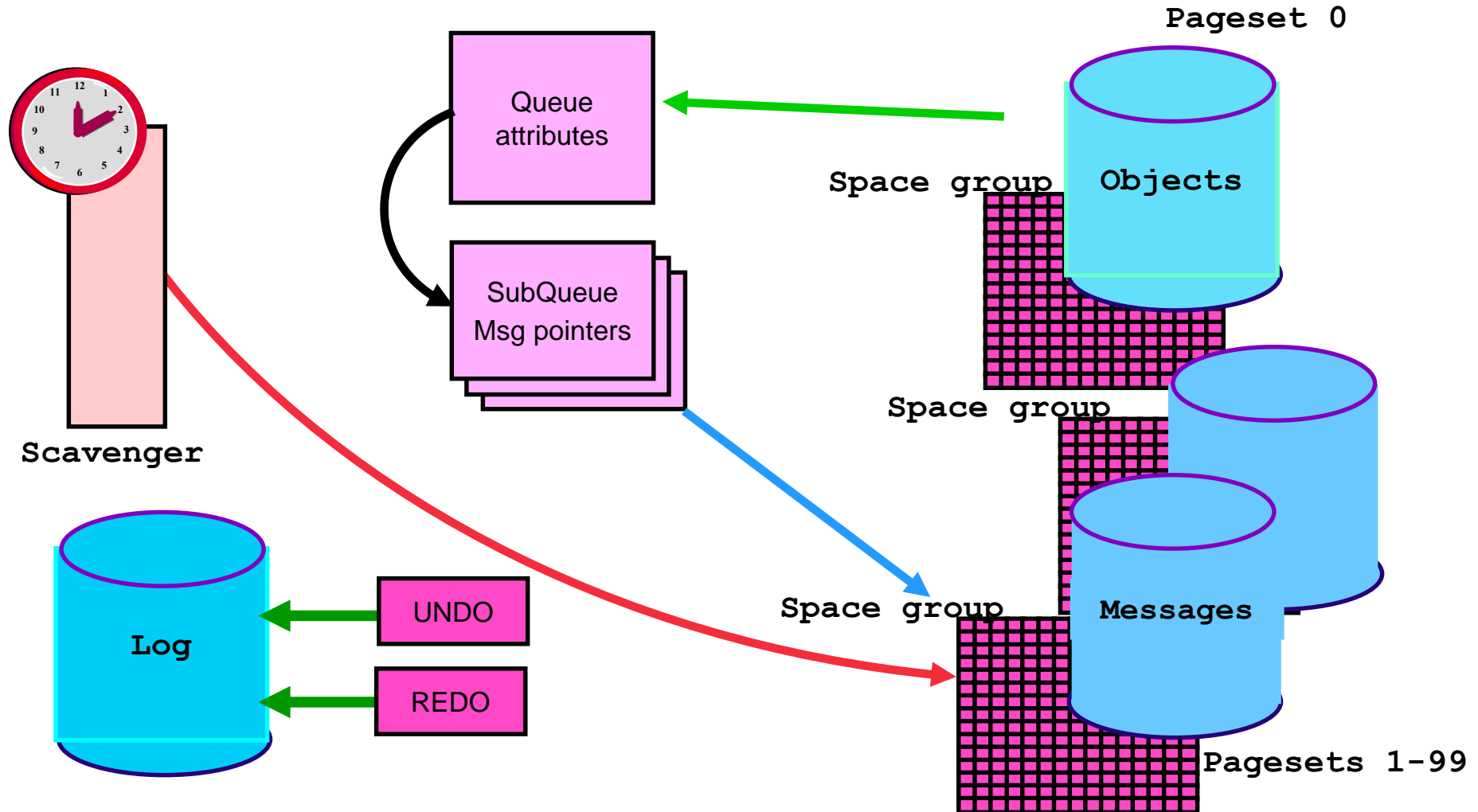
Recovery Manager

UR

Log Manager

Rlse

MQI

Lock Manager

Ckpt

CF Manager

Ckpt

MQOPEN

UR

Redo
Undo

Message Manager

Data Manager

Buffer Manager

Connection Manager – the entry point

Controlling the MQI and MQSC - Message Manager

Command, Runtime, Group servers

Application

MQOPEN
MQCLOSE

MQGET
MQPUT
MQPUT1

MQINQ
MQSET

MQSC
CONSOLE
QSG

MQ
API

Message Manager

SYSTEM.CLUSTER

Repository Manager

Objects

MQOPEN

BASE

Validation
Consistency
Triggering
Get-Wait
Put to
Waiting
Getter

Controlling Messages and Objects - Data Manager

Pageset 0

Objects

Space group

Space group

Space group

Messages

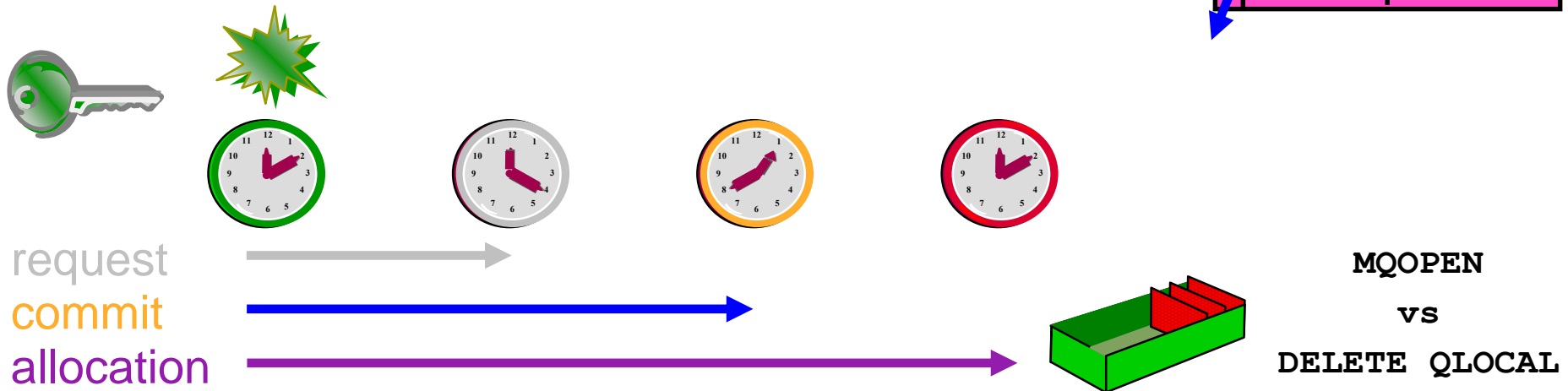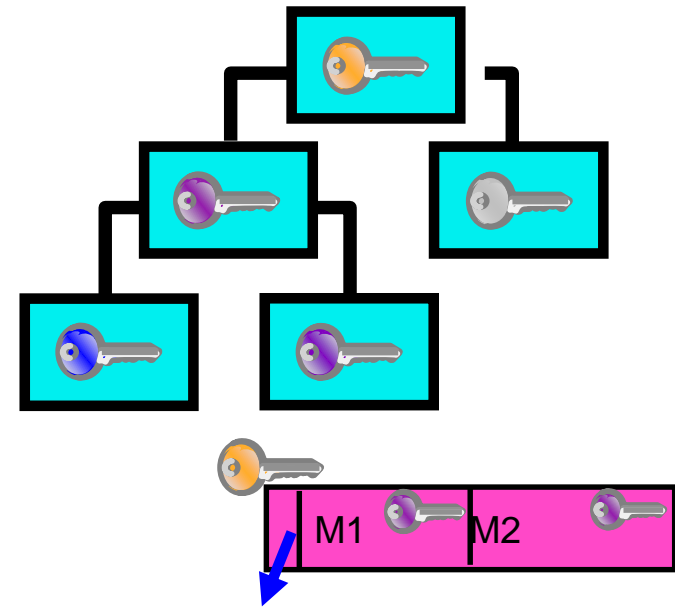Pagesets 1-99

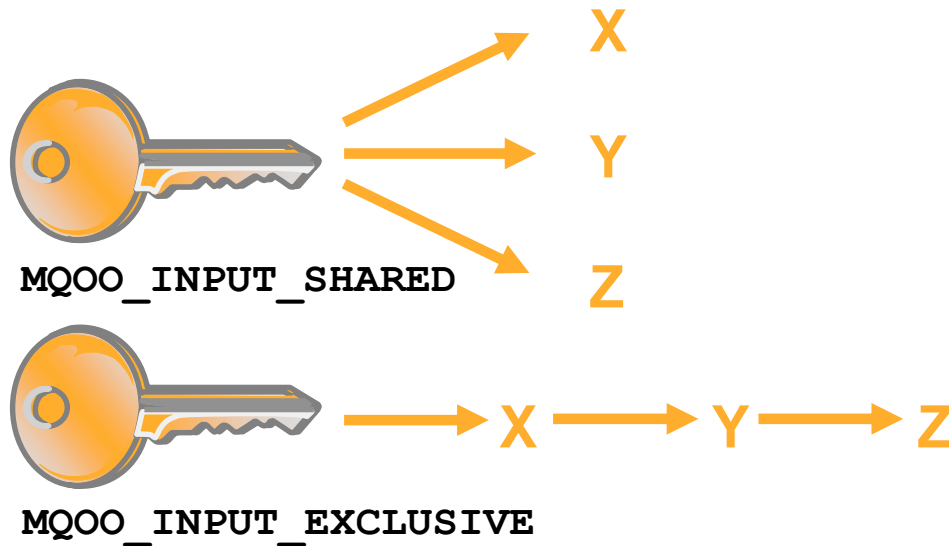Queue attributes

SubQueue Msg pointers

Scavenger

Log

UNDO

REDO

Buffer Manager – High Performance storage and retrieval

read pageset

write pageset

checkpoint

```
DEFINE BUFFPOOL(bpid)
BUFFERS(nnnn)
```
STEAL
LRU

buffer pages

pageset

CKPT,
STEAL,
WRITE AHEAD

dirty

NO FORCE

dirty

dirty

OLDEST

```
DEFINE PSID(psid)
BUFFPOOL(bpid)
```

FORCE DIRTY PAGES > 3 CKPTS
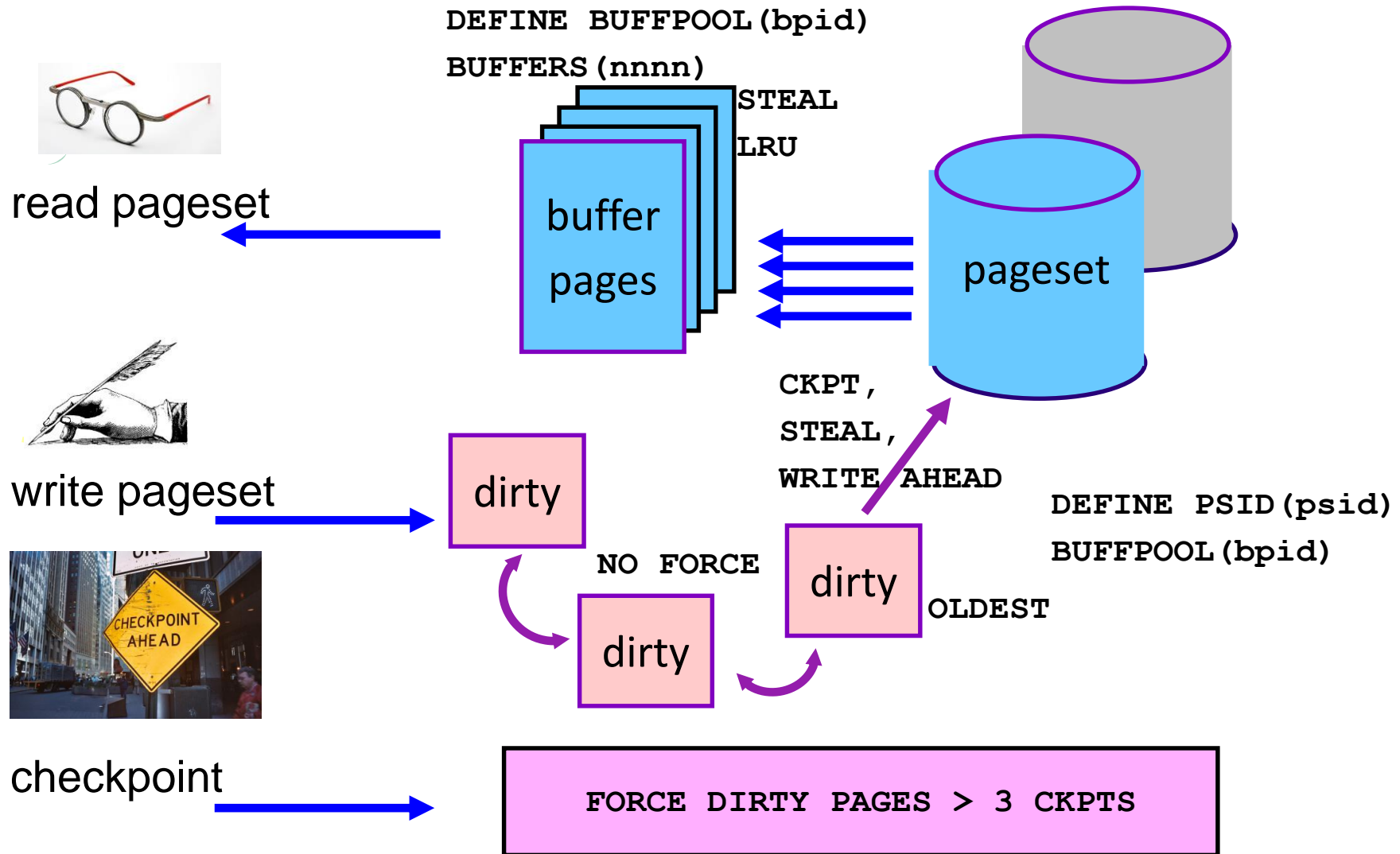
Providing Logging Interfaces - Log Manager

➤ Log read and write functions

➤ Log Shunting

➤ Multiple active log data sets and archive

➤ Archive inventory management

➤ Duplexed for reliability

➤ "Bootstrap" file
  ➤ End of log location
  ➤ Archive inventory

➤ Various Utilities
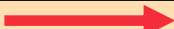
Concurrency and Isolation - Lock Manager

MQOO_INPUT_SHARED

MQOO_INPUT_EXCLUSIVE

M1   M2

request
commit
allocation

MQOPEN
vs
DELETE QLOCAL

Scenario – Persistent MQPut to a Triggered Queue

Application	Message Manager	Data Manager	Buffer Manager	Recovery Manager	Log Manager	Lock Manager
MQOPEN						
						ACQUIRE LOCK
		LOCATE QUEUE IN HASH TABLE				
	SECURITY					
	BASE NAME					
	ACQUIRE HANDLE					
MQPUT						
	USE HANDLE					
		LOCATE PAGE TO HOLD MSG				
			BUFFER PAGE			
				START UR	LOG RECORDS	
					LOG RECORDS	
	CHECK TRIGGER RULES					
MQCMIT						
					FORCE LOG	
						RELEASE LOCKS

Scenario - MQGet from a Queue

Application	Message Manager	Data Manager	Buffer Manager	Recovery Manager	Log Manager	Lock Manager
MQOPEN						
						ACQUIRE LOCK
		LOCATE QUEUE IN HASH TABLE				
	SECURITY					
	BASE NAME					
	ACQUIRE HANDLE					
MQGET						
	USE HANDLE					
		FIND MSG (INDEX / NEXT)				
			BUFFER PAGE			
				START UR	LOG RECORDS	
					LOG RECORDS	
MQCMIT						
					FORCE LOG	
						RELEASE LOCKS

Summary

- Delivers transactional messaging
  - Enables robust business applications

- Complex, but well organized
  - Adapters, Address spaces, Resource Managers

- Designed for throughput, availability and scalability
  - Logging, Buffering, Locking, Communications

MQ & ACE Sessions (Room 201B unless stated)

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30			27054: Hybrid Integration - App Connect, Connecting Cloud and on-Prem **David Coles**	27060: Using MQ in Multiple Cloud Environments - Docker, Kubernetes, OpenShift, AWS, Azure, and more **Mark Taylor**	27083: CICS and MQ - New and Vintage **Room 201A** **Lyn Elkins & Mitch Johnson**
9:45	27055: Introduction to IBM MQ - Enterprise Messaging That Makes Your Life Easier [z/OS & Distributed] **Simon Page**		27061: Welcome to IBM Event Streams (Apache Kafka) **Subhajit Maitra**	27065: z/OS Container Extensions - Running MQ on a Container on z/OS and Integrating with MQ on zOS **Subhajit Maitra**	27068: Where's My Message in MQ and in IBM Event Streams (Kafka)? **Neil Johnston**
11:00	27064: A techn... IBM App Conne... & Distributed] **David Coles**	...uted]	27053: Better MQ z/OS Performance Through Understanding the Internals [z/OS] **Lyn Elkins**	26226: Lab: MQ - Hands-on Labs for MQ 9.1 ~or~ z/OS Connect - Hands on Lab Experience **Hands On-Lab: Room 102** **Lyn Elkins, Mitch Johnson & Mark Taylor** **…. The Lab Continues …..**	27069: Scalable, Fault Tolerant Messaging with MQ Shared Queues on z/OS and Uniform Clusters on Distributed [z/OS & Distributed] **Simon Page**
12:25 PM					
1:45 PM	27063: What's New in the Messaging Family - MQ v9.1 and More [z/OS & Distributed] **Mark Taylor**				
2:15 PM			27057: Making sense of queues and event streams : IBM MQ vs IBM Event Streams (Apache Kafka) **Subhajit Maitra**		
3:00 PM	27062: What's New in IBM App Connect Enterprise [z/OS & Distributed] **David Coles**	27059: Security: Everything You Wanted to Know about SSL/TLS Principles but Were Unsure Who to Ask [z/OS & Distributed] **Neil Johnston**		27067: Monitoring z/OS and Distributed Queue Managers with Open Source Tools **Mark Taylor**	
3:30 PM					
4:15 PM	27066: MQ SMF Data: What We Continue to Learn about Statistics and Lies [z/OS] **Lyn Elkins**	27070: Implementing RESTful Services Using IBM MQ and z/OS Connect **Mitch Johnson**		27058: Securing your Enterprise: Understanding MQ Security through Scenarios and Roles [z/OS & Distributed] **Neil Johnston**	

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