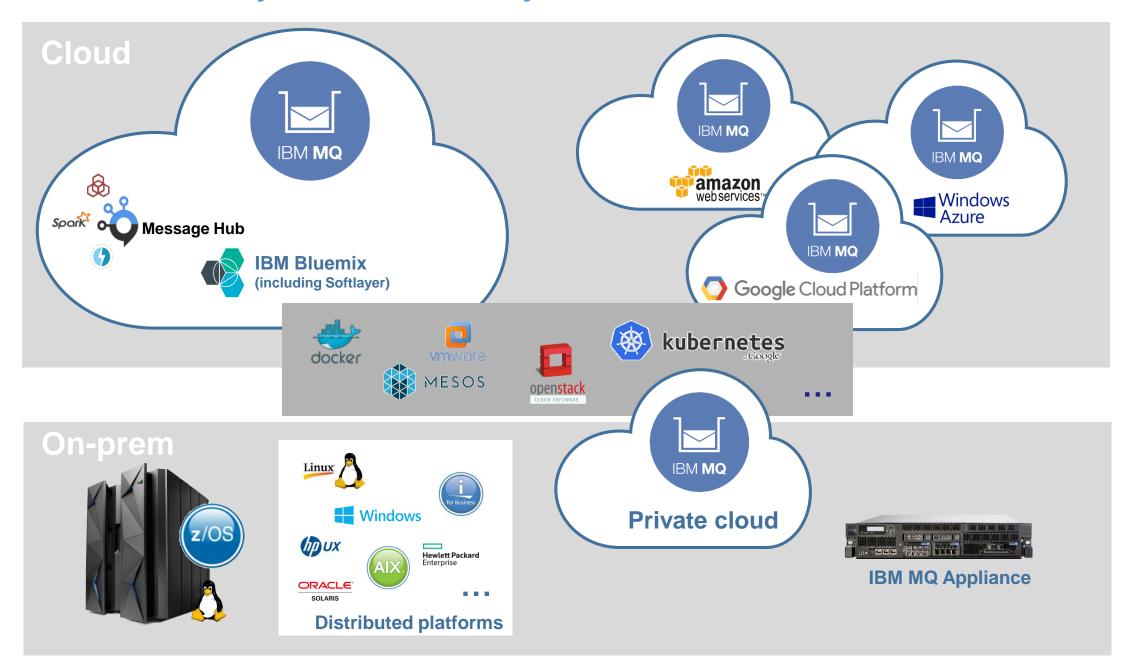
What's new in the world of IBM MQ?

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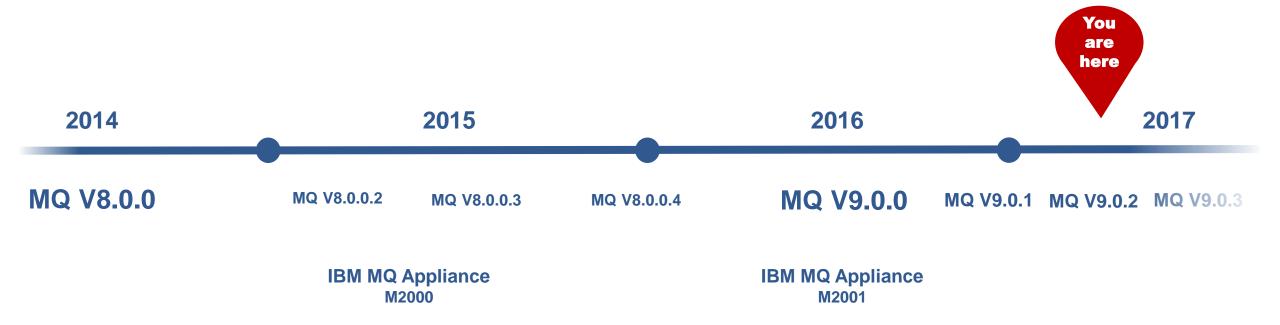


Run MQ, exactly how and where you need it





IBM MQ



IBM MQ has been regularly delivering new function release on release

Through releases

New platforms and environments

2016 was the start of MQ's continuous delivery model

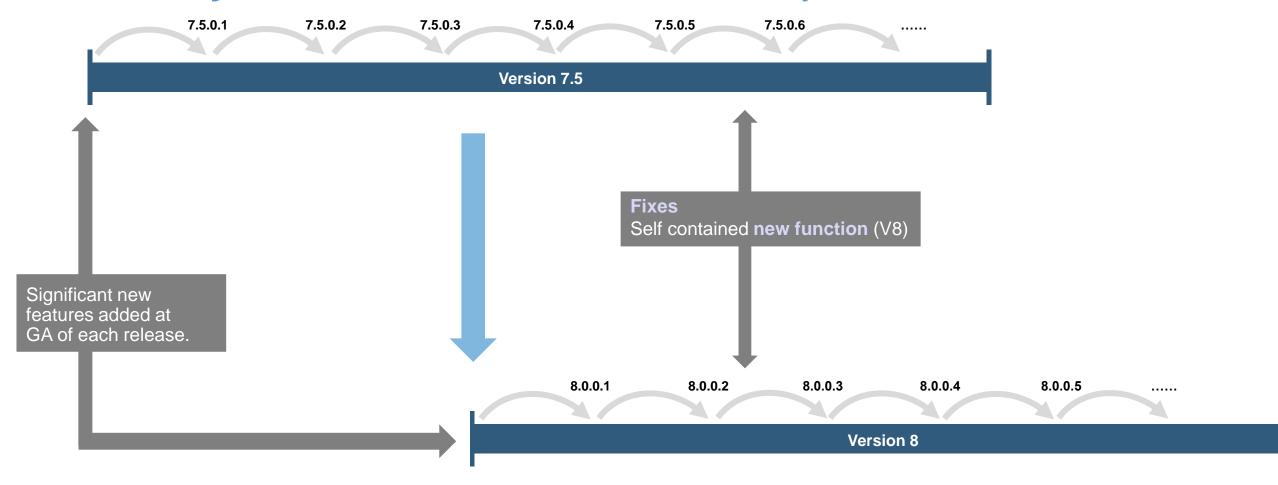


End of Service for the old versions





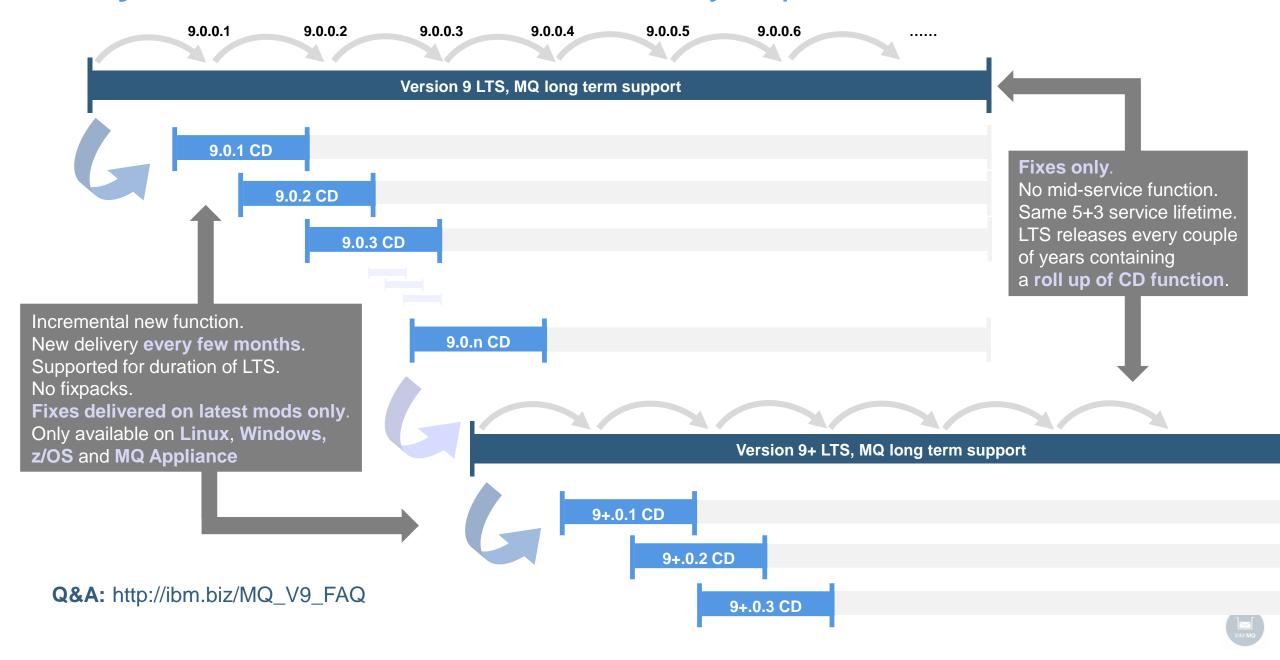
Previously: Service and continuous delivery combined







Today: Service and continuous delivery separated



IBM MQ V9 LTS June 2016

IBM MQ V9 LTS

Made available **June 2016** for Distributed and z/OS platforms

Primary objective for MQ V9 was as the basis for the new long term support (LTS) and continuous delivery (CD) model

Rolls up all post-V8 features into a GA version

Plus further capabilities...



Advanced Message Security high performance policy

New quality of service for AMS

We already had *Integrity*

This proves authenticity through digital signing

And *privacy*

This adds encryption to the digital signing

We've added *Confidentiality* to provide encryption *without the digital signing*

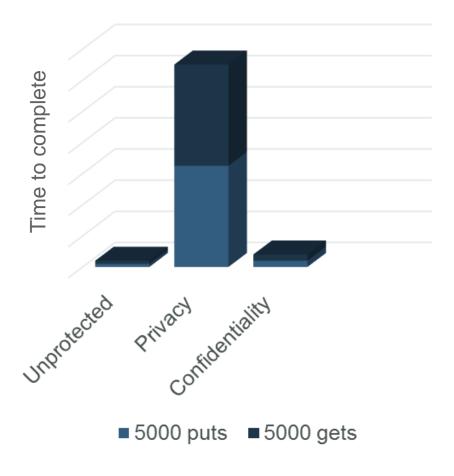
Significant performance gains over Integrity and Privacy

Especially with key reuse

Only receiver's certs require distribution to applications

Available for Distributed and z/OS

AMS Performance





Central provisioning of CCDT

Client Channel Definition Table is a method to configure MQ client connectivity

Holds all the information needed for a client to connect to any queue manager it may need

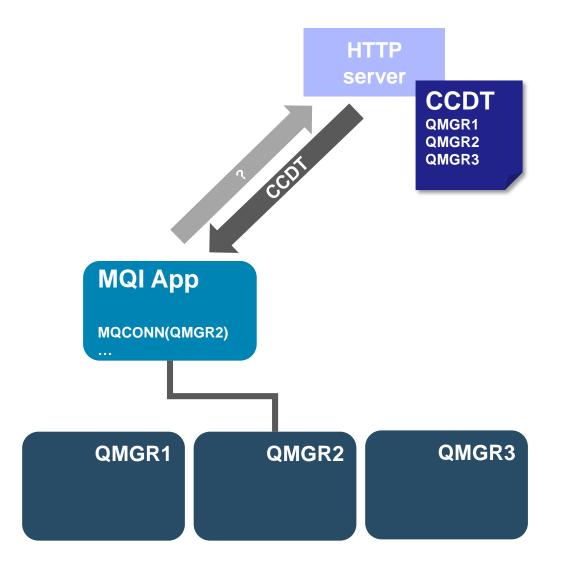
When queue managers or their channel configuration changes new CCDTs are required

Usually necessary to push the CCDT out to each client machine from a central point

Java and .Net clients have already been able to refer to CCDT via URI

Now also available for C clients to simplify provisioning
Automatically retrieved from http or ftp address

export MQCCDTURL=http://ccdt.example.com/ccdt/MyApp.ccdt





System topics on distributed queue managers

Distributed queue manager information is published to a range of system topic strings

\$SYS/MQ/INFO/QMGR/....

Authorised subscriptions receive their own stream of publications based on the topic string

Administrative subscriptions

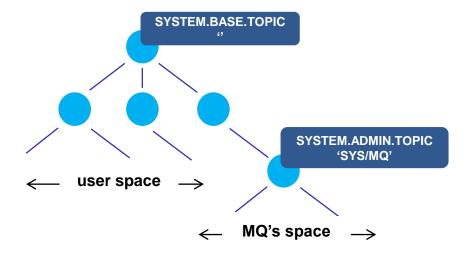
E.g. For information to be continually sent to defined queues

Application subscriptions

E.g. To dynamically listen to information as required

Unlocks system level information for MQ administrators and DevOps teams

Administrators can grant access to subsets of the data, pertinent to different application teams



Application Activity Trace

Application activity trace enabled through subscriptions rather than queue manager configuration

Subscribe to meta topics

E.g. \$SYS/MQ/INFO/QMGR/QMGR1/...
ActivityTrace/ApplName/amqsput

Filter by application name, channel or connection id

When a subscription is created, PCF messages start to flow to the subscriber's queue. When the subscription is deleted, messages stop

Sample provided to demonstrate usage and format output – great for problem diagnosis

```
$ amqsput QUEUE1 QMGR1
Sample AMQSPUT0 start
target queue is Q1
Hello
World
Sample AMQSPUT0 end
$
```

```
$ amgsact -m QMGR1 -a amgsput -w 60
Subscribing to the activity trace topic:
  '$SYS/MQ/INFO/QMGR/QMGR1/ActivityTrace/ApplName/amqsput'
MonitoringType: MQI Activity Trace
OueueManager: 'OMGR1'
ApplicationName: 'amgsput'
Application Type: MQAT UNIX
  Tid Date
                                                               HObj (ObjName)
                           Operation
 001 2016-04-14 09:56:53 MOXF CONNX
                                           MQCC OK
                                                          0000
                                           MQCC OK
 001 2016-04-14 09:56:53 MQXF OPEN
                                                               2 (QUEUE1)
 001 2016-04-14 09:56:53 MQXF PUT
                                           MQCC OK
                                                               2 (QUEUE1)
 001 2016-04-14 09:56:53 MOXF PUT
                                           MQCC OK
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```

System Monitoring

Familiar statistics available through subscriptions

Queue manager wide statistics (connects, disconnects, opens, closes, puts, gets, ...)

Queue level statistics (opens, closes, puts, gets, ...)

Extended to include CPU and Disk usage. For example...

Queue manager CPU time, memory usage

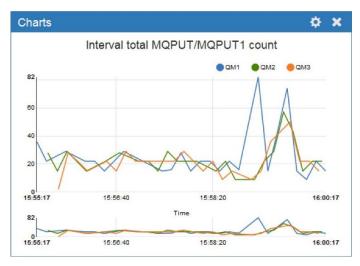
Disk reads/writes, disk latency,

Subscribe to meta-topic to learn which classes of statistics are available

\$SYS/MQ/INFO/QMGR/QMGR1/Monitor/METADATA/CLASSES

Then subscribe to specific topics

See amgsrua sample program



This capability already underpins the charting in the MQ Appliance WebUI



Or use the data to feed your own dashboard See github.com/ibm-messaging/mq-golang

New MQ Java resource adaptor





WAS traditional will contain an MQ V9 level resource adaptor

Previous level was MQ 7.1

Bringing with it the JMS 2.0 capabilities

The first time AMS support has been built into the WAS traditional RA, simplifying its configuration









Other application servers

New AMS capability for non-IBM JREs opens up AMS to a wide range of application servers with the MQ V9 resource adaptor

Command recall and editing for runmqsc on Unix!



When running runmgsc on Unix/Linux platforms you can now use **cursor keys!**

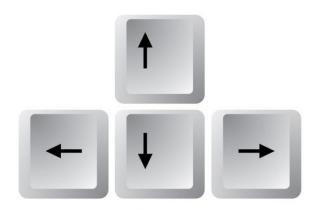
Up/down keys for command line recall

Customisable for common editing control sequences (emacs/vi modes)

Much easier to fix bad typing

Similar to what has always been available on Windows

With the added capability of command completion Hit TAB to cycle through and accept possible keywords



IBM MQ V9.0.1 CD

November 2016

Software MQ Web Console

In 2015 the IBM MQ Appliance introduced a web based admin console. MQ 9.0.1 saw this across all CD platforms (Linux, z/OS, Windows)

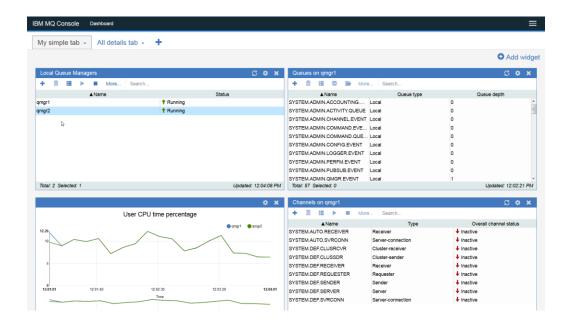
Point a browser at the MQ installation to create and manage queue managers and their resources

Provides a simple way to access MQ resources

Introducing new roles such as "read-only"

Will not see the full richness of capability from MQ Explorer

Targeted at each individual installation, not a network of MQ systems



First RESTful steps

MQ 9.0.1 introduced initial pieces of the RESTful administrative interface

The start of a new alternative to MQSC or PCF based administration

Enables web based administration

Simpler to get going and understand

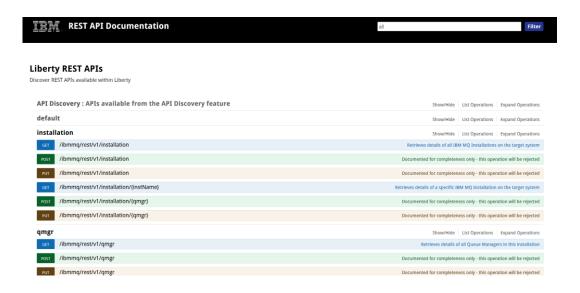
Intuitive **URLs** and **JSON** payloads

Ability to query the MQ installation details and queue managers

Think dspmqver and dspmq

Disabled by default, with no security

But remember, this is continuous delivery...





Sample z/OS Management Facility Workflows

z/OSMF provides services to help customers rapidly provision/de-provision z/OS middleware

Including MQ, DB2, CICS, IMS, WAS

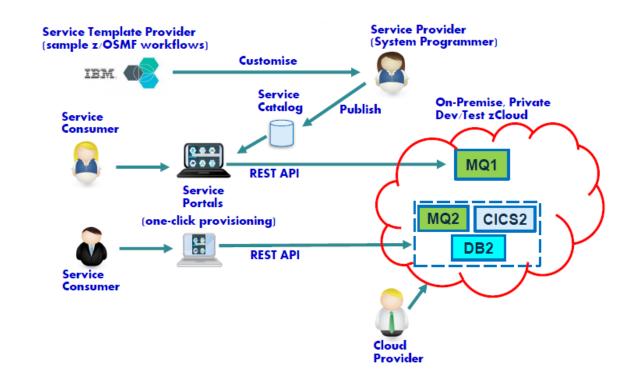
Workflows can be implemented to automate tasks

Self-service/click of a button

Rapidly stand-up/down MQ resources for development/test purposes

Help to address future z/OS skills shortage

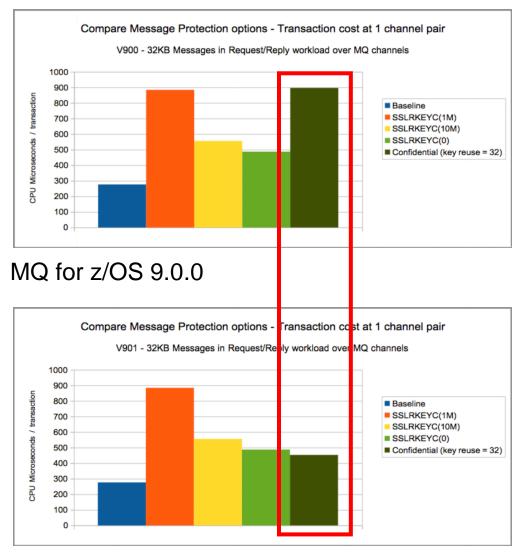
Updated for "IBM Cloud Provisioning and Management for z/OS"



Advanced Message Security – even better on z/OS

Further performance enhancements to the Confidentiality profile on z/OS

AMS Confidentiality reaches CPU cost parity with moving messages across a TLS channel Acceptable cost for encryption at rest



MQ for z/OS 9.0.1

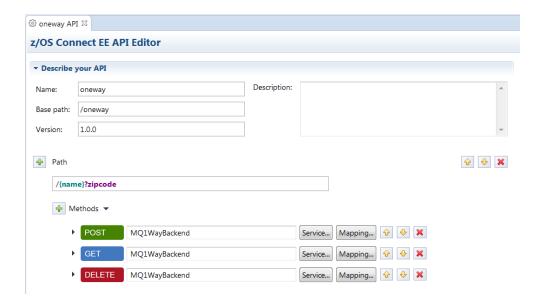


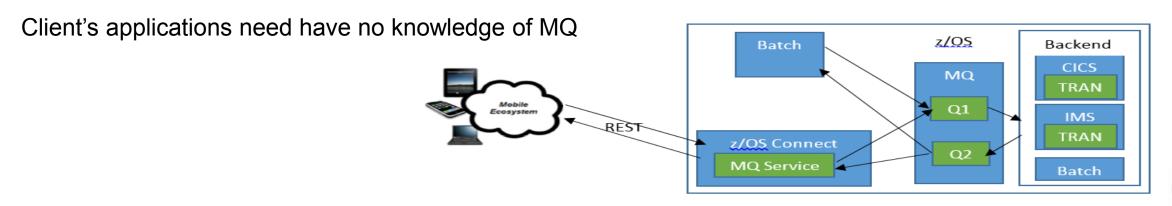
z/OS Connect: MQ Service Provider

z/OS Connect is about exposing mainframe resources to applications via a modern REST and JSON interface in a way that enables developers to rapidly take advantage of the assets that exist there.

The MQ Service Provider allows existing services that are fronted by MQ to be accessed via a RESTful front end

Both z/OS Connect V1 and zCEE are supported Same MQ capabilities in both versions zCEE API editor can be used with MQ





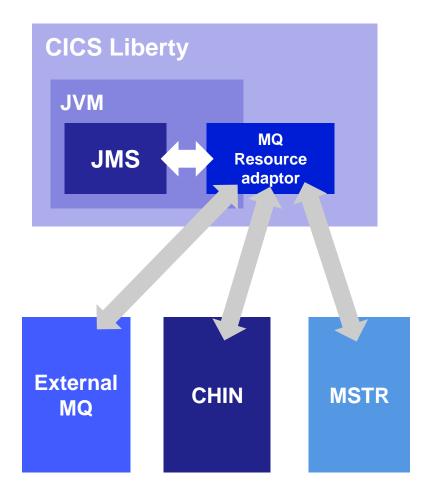
MQ JMS in CICS Liberty Profile

Allow CICS Liberty to use MQ resource adapter
Just like normal Liberty

Run existing Liberty messaging apps such as MDBs inside CICS

Connections to MQ supported using either client or bindings mode

Prereqs CICS V5.3 +PI58375 + MQ 9.0.1 RA



IBM MQ V9.0.2 CD

March 2017

NEW!

MQ REST continues to grow

REST is enabled and secured as part of the web setup

Security

Secured by default, samples provided to make setup simple Caller can either login via userid & password or certificate Or use HTTP basic-authentication CORS support added when called from a web-browser

More commands added for 9.0.2

Queue definitions Create, delete, display and alter

Display queue status

```
C:\Program Files\IBM\Latest902\bin>curl -k "https://localh
{"queue": [{
    "name": "Q.LOCAL",
    "status": {
        "currentDepth": 0,
        "lastGet": "",
        "mediaRecoveryLogExtent": "",
        "monitoringRate": "off",
        "oldestMessageAge": -1,
        "onQueueTime": {
            "longSamplePeriod": -1,
            "shortSamplePeriod": -1
        },
        "openOutputCount": 0,
        "uncommittedMessages": 0
    },
    "type": "local"
}]
```

Distributed recovery logs

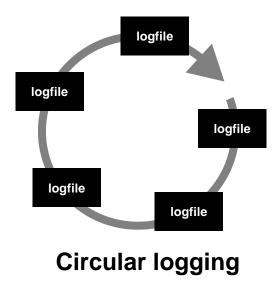
MQ always logs all the data you need to recover from a queue manager failure in a recovery log

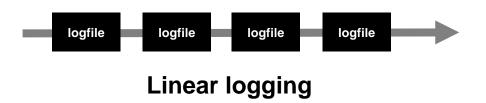
Restart recovery (circular and linear logging)

Enough information held in the log files to rebuild MQ resources to the level that they were at prior to the queue manager stopping

Media recovery (linear logging only)

Enough information held in the log files to rebuild MQ resources in the event of losing or corrupting MQ data







Significantly reducing the overheads of linear logging

Automatic Media Imaging

Media images allow logs to be archived or reused, reducing space and speeding up recovery time

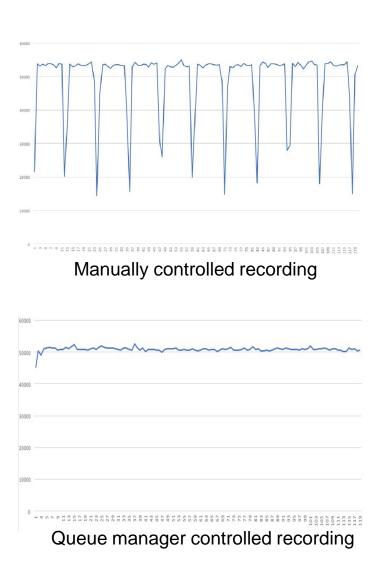
Previously this was up to the administrator

New ability for the queue manager to **automatically schedule** the recording of media images

The frequency of imaging can be controlled based on time interval or data written

New ability to exclude certain objects from media recovery logging to reduce overheads

Queue manager controlled imaging reduces the impact on other workload during recording



Significantly reducing the overheads of linear logging

Automatic log reuse

Linear log extents must be removed from the system to free up space

You may choose to archive them before deleting

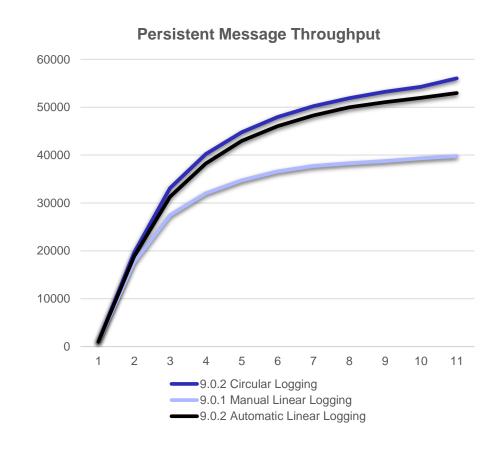
You can now create a queue manager where **log extents** are automatically reused as soon as they are no longer required for media recovery

Alternatively they can be automatically reused when no longer required and have been marked as archived

Significant performance improvements over user managed linear logging, comparable to circular logging

And in general

Extra information added to queue manager status on log utilization to aid better log configurations



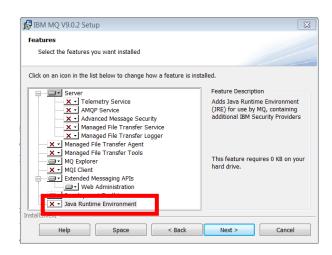
New install options

JRE is now an optional install component on Windows

For those installations where the bare minimum is needed If not selected then dependant components such as MQWeb, MQExplorer, etc will not get installed

MQ packages available in Debian installer format on Ubuntu

More natural for Ubuntu users
Available on all three supported architectures (amd64, s390x, ppc64el)
Installs to default location
Will replace RPMs on Ubuntu





IBM Cloud Product Insights

IBM has just launched the IBM Cloud Product Insights Bluemix service

Product Insights enhances the way IBM on-premise products can be registered and tracked, organizations can extend on-premise products achieving the benefits of cloud environments.

IT administrators can register on-premise traditional IBM Enterprise Software and create an inventory to track each instance, report on usage metrics, and get advice on other cloud services.

Enables you to connect to the IBM cloud for new insights on your on-prem environment and guidance for cloud service patterns



What does that mean for you and MQ?

Registration and Usage

Users register instances of their IBM products with a central IBM cloud hosted service

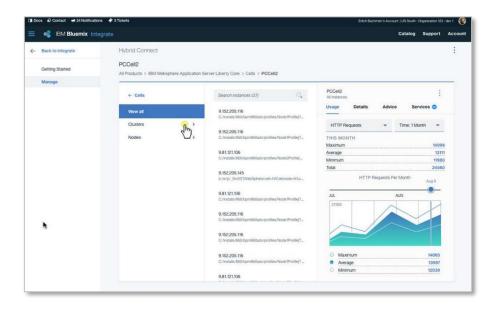
Keeps track in a single place which queue managers you have

What level of MQ

What is installed

When they were last running

High level usage information is regularly collected to give a high level overview of the system usage and any trends How many persistent and non-persistent messages put How many persistent and non-persistent bytes put Giving a very high level overview of the system usage.





What does that mean for you and MQ?

Log Management beta

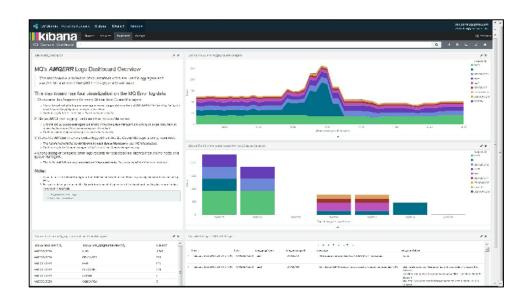
Registered queue managers forward **error logs** to the Product Insights service

Using the IBM Logmet service based on ELK

Provides a central place from which to aggregate and view all of your IBM product logs

Preconfigured and customisable dashboards provided

Opportunities for centralised analysis across multiple logs and products



IBM MQ Appliance MQ in a box

The IBM MQ Appliance

The scalability, security and reliability of IBM MQ

The convenience, fast time-to-value and low total cost of ownership of an appliance

Built in high availability and disaster recovery capabilities

Ideal for use as a messaging hub running queue managers accessed by clients, or to extend MQ connectivity to a remote location

Familiar feel for existing MQ users – application interfaces, administration, networking/clustering, security....



MQ Appliance high availability and disaster recovery

Fully built-in HA and DR capabilities

No external components required

Per queue manager active/passive topologies

High availability (GA)

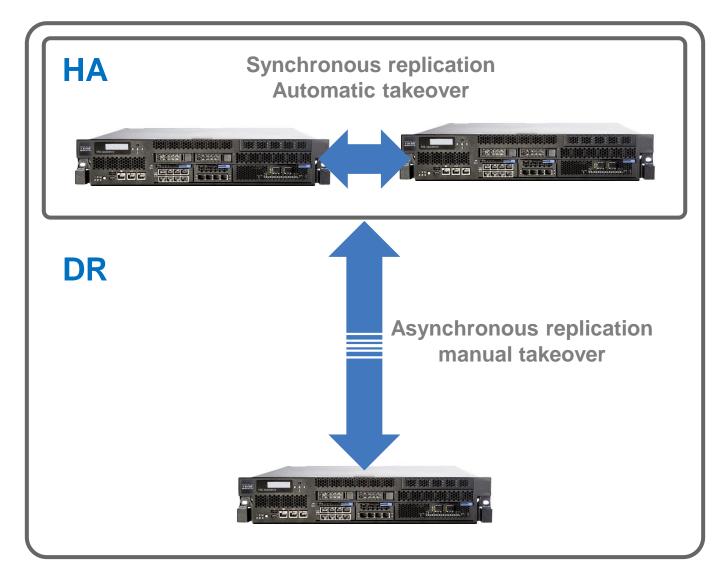
Short distance configurations
All recoverable data replicated immediately
Failures automatically detected and queue
managers restarted

Disaster recovery (firmware update 4)

Long distance configurations

Manual queue manager takeover

Combined HA and DR (firmware update 5)



Hardware updated in June 2016 to the M2001

Original 1.2TB HDDs replaced with 3.2TB SSDs

A potential 3x performance gain for heavily persistent workloads



10GB network ports extended from 2 to 4

For combined HA and DR configurations two 10GB ports are required Leaving two 10GB ports for messaging traffic



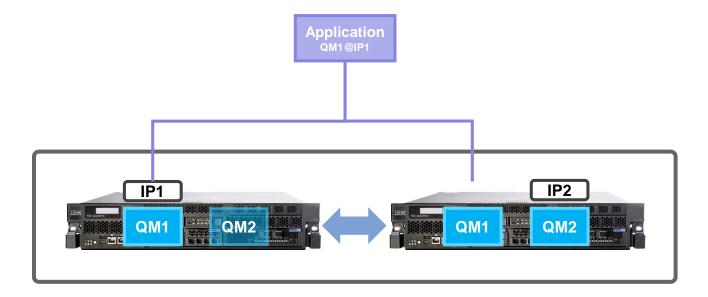
Firmware update: MQ 9.0.1 CD

Floating IP support

In version 8 of the MQ Appliance, clients connecting to HA queue managers must be aware of all possible IP addresses (e.g. via comma separated list or CCDT)

Each HA queue manager can now be associated with a **floating IP address** which is automatically adopted by whichever appliance the queue managers is currently active on

Client applications are now able to use a single IP address, requiring no changes on the application side.



Firmware update: MQ 9.0.1 CD

SNMP

Full support of SNMP for remote monitoring and alerting of MQ Appliances SNMP data on the appliance itself and the queue managers running on it

RESTful Administration

Enablement of appliance administration over REST

Administrative Security

New options for managing the authentication and roles granted to appliance administrators

Backup and Restore

Ability to backup and restore queue manager data and configuration

Automatic Queue Manager start-up

Now all queue managers, not just those under HA control can be started automatically on start-up of an appliance







Firmware update: MQ 9.0.2 CD

HA SSH key renewal

Appliances in a HA group use SSH keys for internal communication

Keys are not exposed to users. However, security best practice recommends periodically regenerating SSH keys

New capability introduced to allow administrators to do this without disrupting the HA system

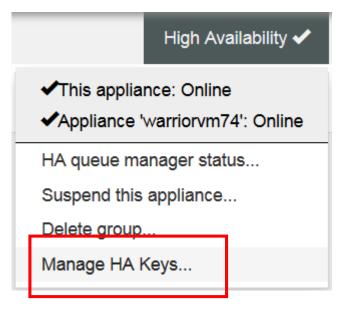
MQ RESTful admin API

9.0.1 added RESTful admin for the appliance itself

9.0.2 adds RESTful support for the queue managers running on the appliance

The appliance sees the same RESTful API for administering MQ resources as added to software MQ

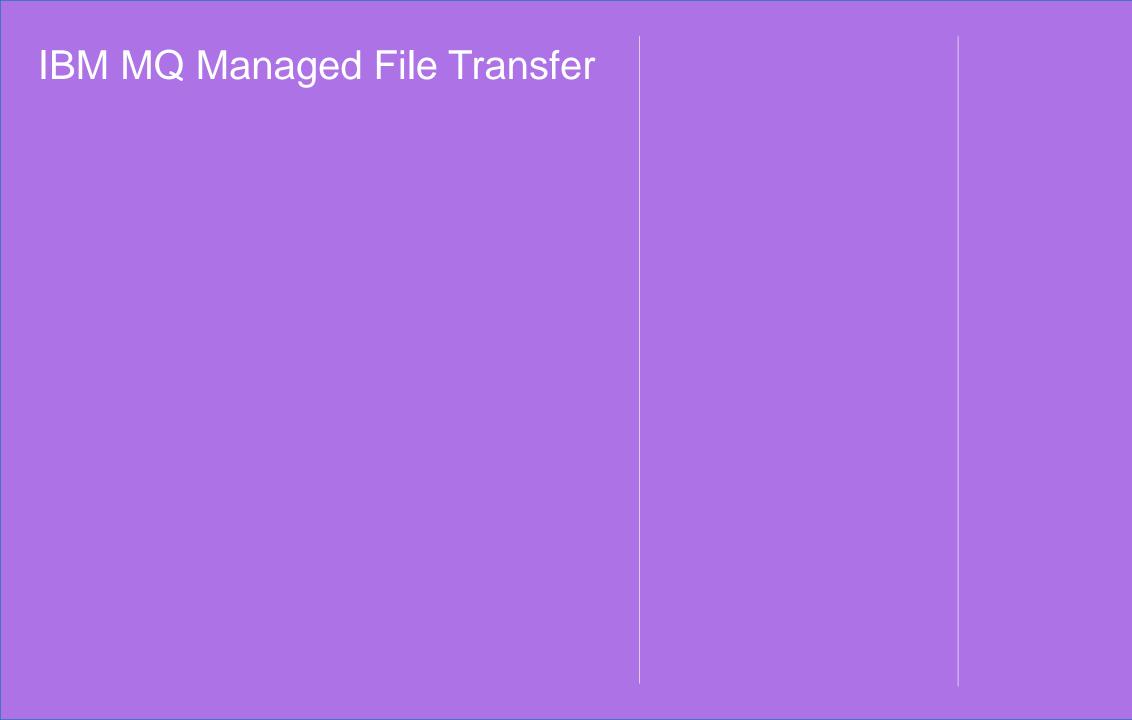
Uses the same user authority model and roles as for software MQ



```
mqa(mqcli) # crthakeys
The crthakeys command succeeded.

mqa(mqcli) # dsphakeys
SSH key generation time: 2017-02-13 16:47:55
```





Managed File Transfer

MQ 9.0.0.0 LTS

Comprehensive fine grain coverage of FTP errors Enhanced logging of FTP communications for post diagnosis

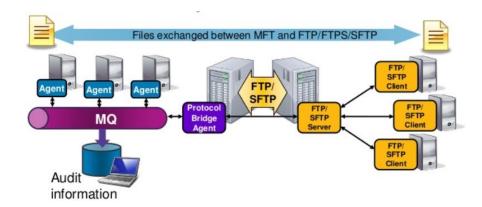
MQ 9.0.1 CD

Redistributable MFT agent available from FixCentral, users simply download and unzip

File transfer recovery timeout control, new option to automatically cancel failing transfers

MQ 9.0.2 CD

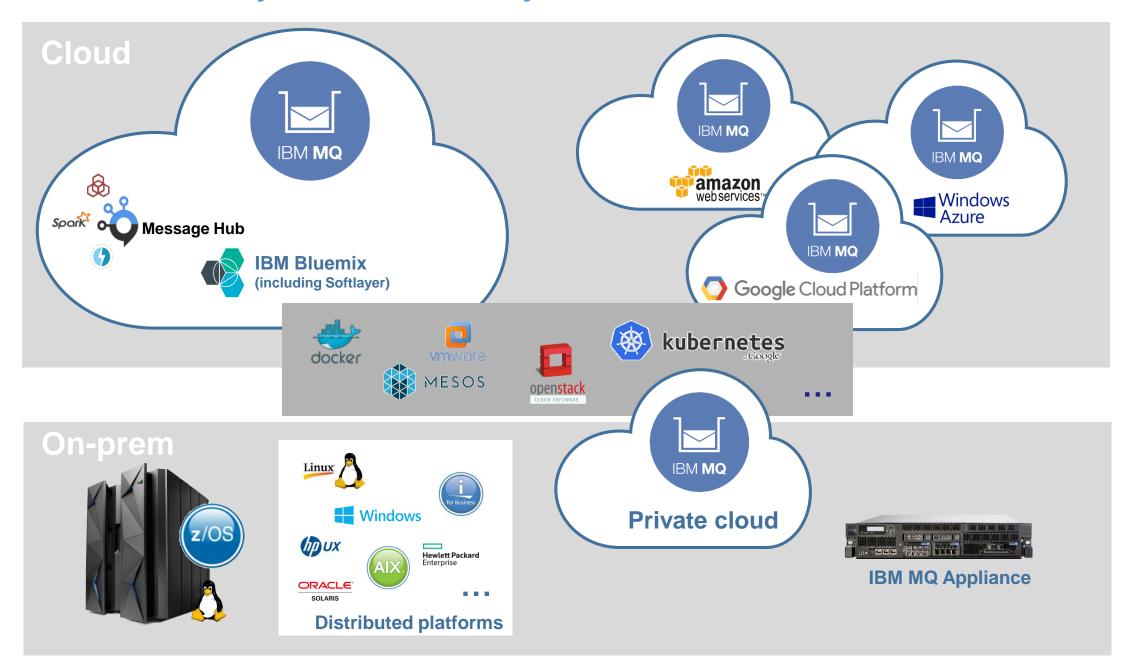
MFT agent status reporting, aids problem diagnosis by reporting last contact time



MFT Agents are now no longer separately and individually licensed but are **free** to deploy and use when connected to **MQ Advanced** entitled queue managers

IBM MQ in the Cloud MQ is everywhere

Run MQ, exactly how and where you need it





Help and advice with MQ in the Cloud

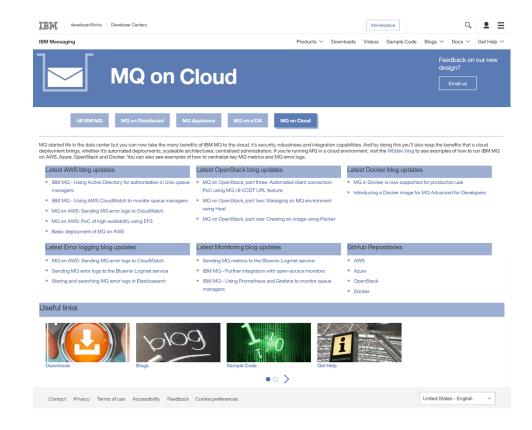
It has always been critical for MQ to run where it is needed and integrated into the tools of your choice

For many that means clouds

We have investigated running MQ in various public and private clouds.

Using a variety of tooling for provisioning, configuration and monitoring

And we've been sharing that information to everyone to use



https://developer.ibm.com/messaging/mq-oncloud/





















MQ in Docker containers

IBM MQ is supported to run inside Docker containers, bringing the benefits of containers to MQ

Lightweight containers for running MQ

Predictable and standardized units for deploying MQ

Process, resource and dependency isolation

Best practice guidance

IBM provided sample Docker files for customizing and building your own Docker images

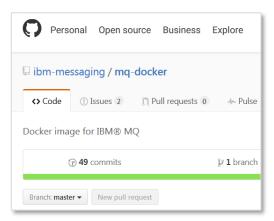
IBM MQ Advanced for Developers V9 available direct from Docker Hub

Docker enables MQ deployments to be provisioned and managed within the same orchestration frameworks that make Docker so exciting

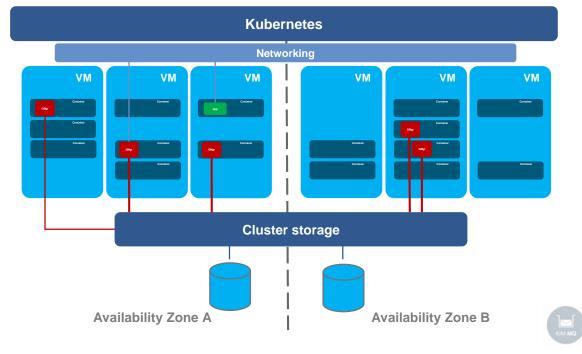
Kubernetes, Mesos, Swarm, Fleet, ...

Or individual laaS cloud container services Bluemix, Amazon EC2, Azure, ...







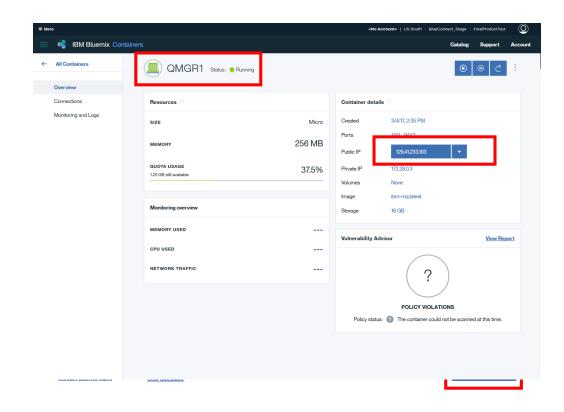


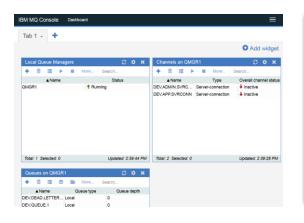
MQ Advanced for Developers in the Bluemix Container Service

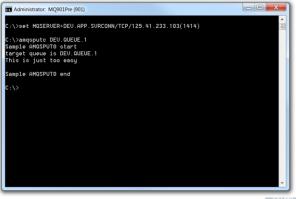
It is now possible to spin up MQ queue managers in the Bluemix Container Service with a couple of clicks

The fastest way to get up and running with MQ for development and experimentation

Pre-configured defaults mean instant access for administration and messaging applications







Message Hub Bridge

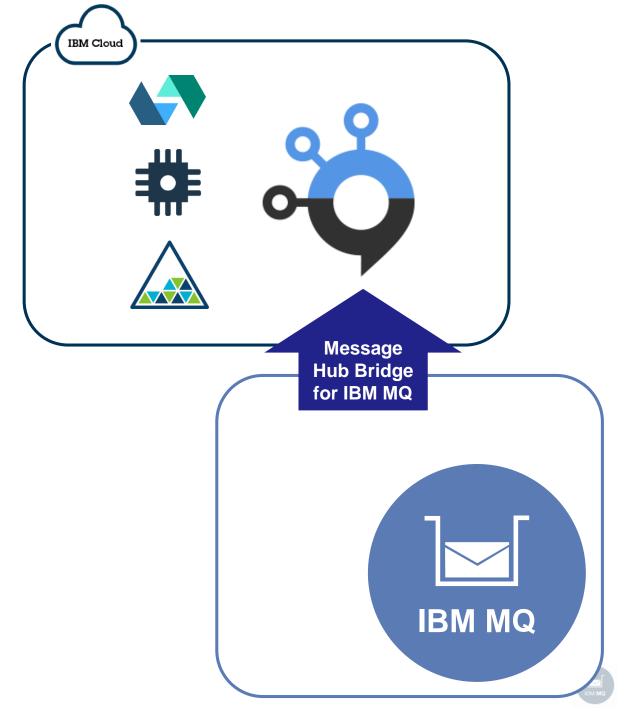
Message Hub is a scalable messaging service for IBM Bluemix. Based on Apache Kafka and ideally suited for streaming analytics

You can use the **new MQ Bridge** capability to connect your MQ network to your Message Hub service in Bluemix, enabling the flow of MQ message data into your Bluemix applications

Connects to MQ as an MQI client

At-least-once reliability (as expected by Kafka)

Data partitioned into Kafka topics



MQ Bridge for Salesforce

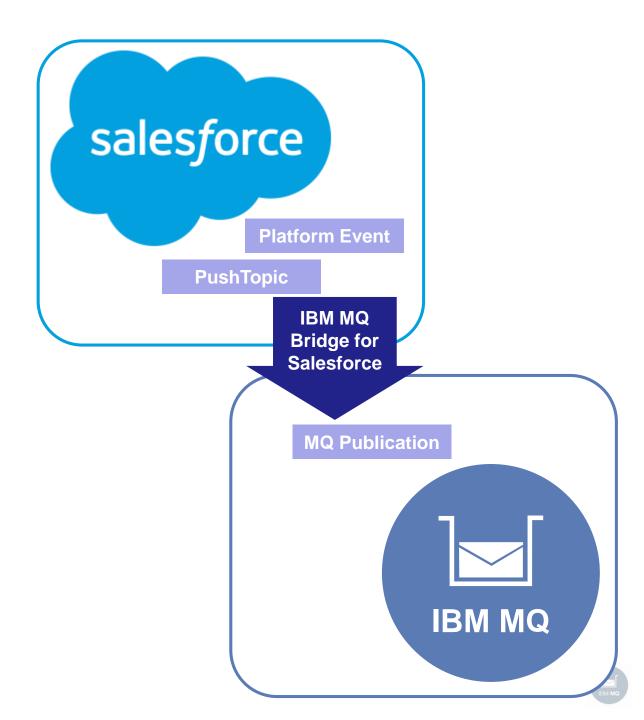
Safesforce's cloud-based CRM platform enables events to be emitted when changes are made to data, or when applications run

You can inject these Salesforce events into your own systems using the new MQ Bridge for Salesforce with no need for your backend applications to connect to Salesforce

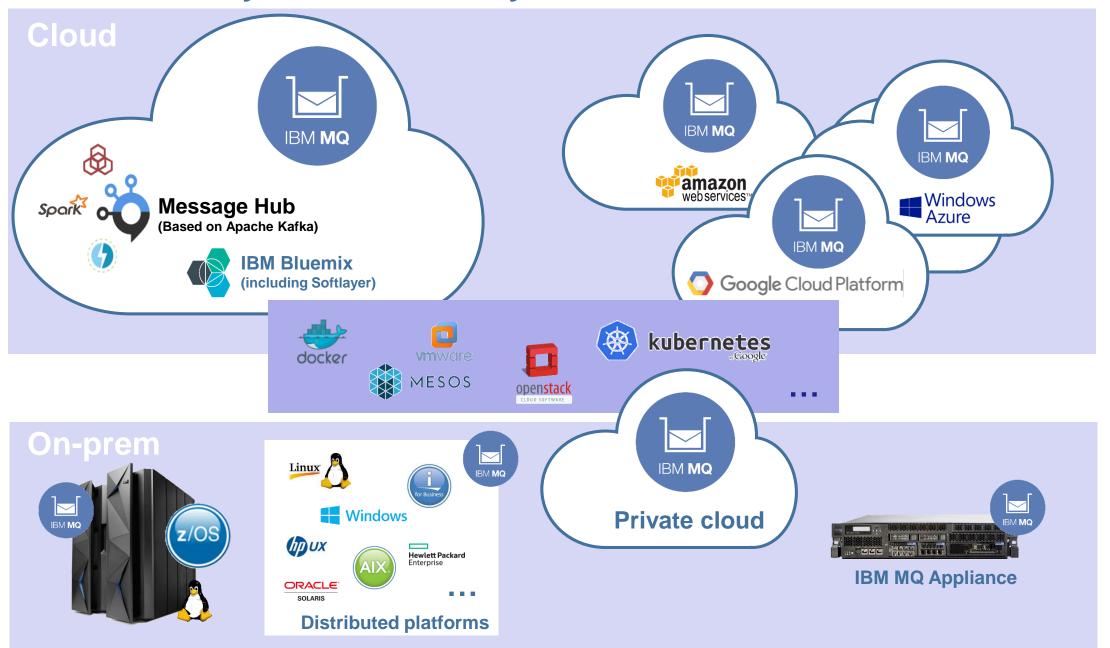
Supports Salesforce Platform Events and PushTopics

Events are published into the MQ network

The bridge runs on Linux, but connects to any queue manager and is enabled for monitoring with system topic metrics

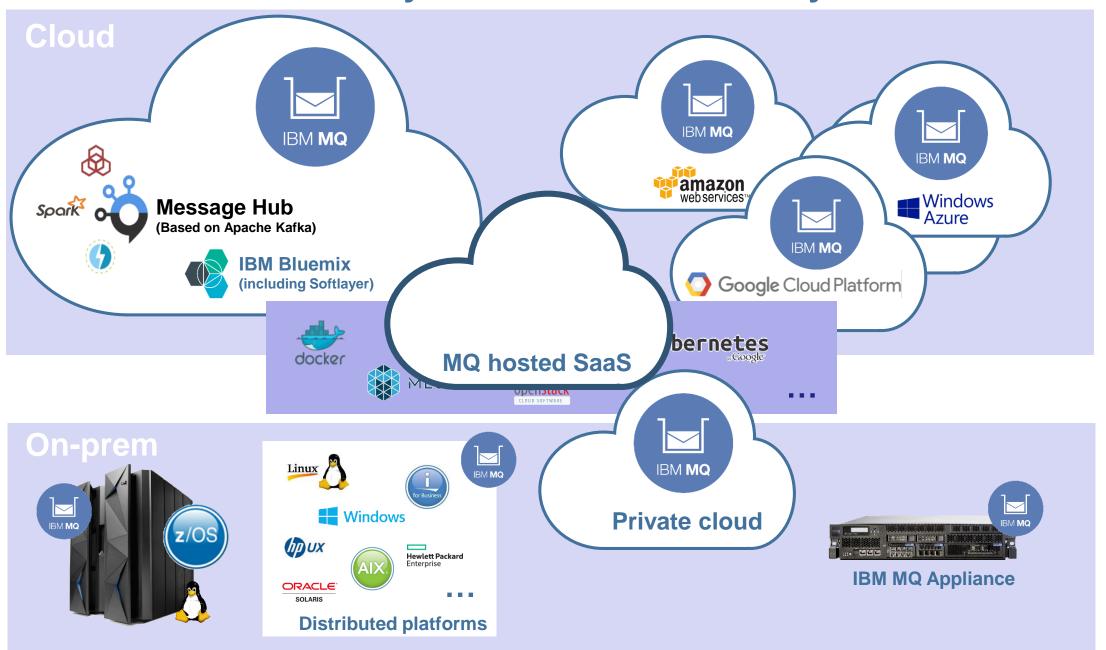


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... or Let IBM host MQ for you and use it from where you need it?



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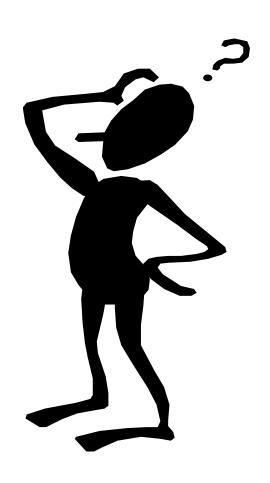
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