

# Extending Your Mainframe for More Business Value

Extend Connectivity With a Mainframe  
Communications Backbone

## Business Challenge

Our payments business is a key source of revenue, but it is too costly to maintain the connections



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A Communications Backbone can solve this problem



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## Providing Application-to-Application Connectivity Can Be Complicated

- System Platforms



- Programming Models

Asynchronous Messaging    Synchronous RPC    Publish/Subscribe

- Programming Languages



- Transport Protocols

Web Services    WebSphere MQ    JMS    FTP    TCP/IP Multicast    HTTP    SMTP

- Standards & Message Formats

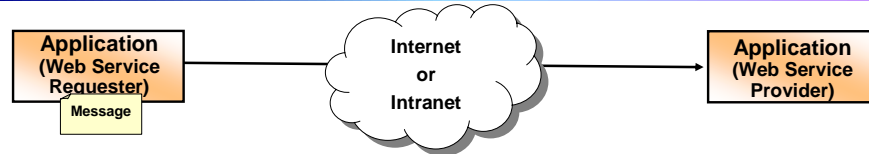
ACORD    HIPAA    ebXML    COBOL Copybook    SWIFT    EDI-X.12  
Custom Formats    XML    IFX    AL3    EDI-FACT    HL77    Word/Excel/PDF

- Error Recovery

## How to Provide Application-to-Application Connectivity

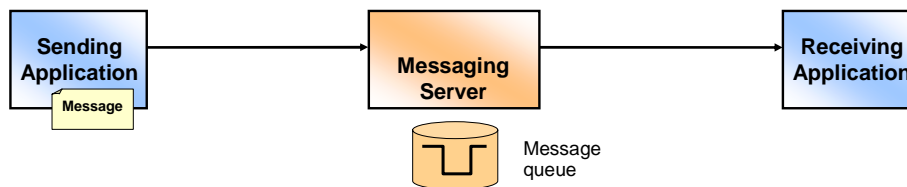
- Installed environments are very diverse
  - ▶ No single technology can provide all of the required power and flexibility
- Use a combination of middleware technologies as needed
  1. **Web Services**  
Standards-based, heterogeneous, Internet-based exchanges
  2. **Asynchronous Messaging**  
Adds reliability, assured delivery, application de-coupling
  3. **Mediation Broker**  
Adds services to transform and enrich information as it flows from one application to another
- Implementations of these technologies is known as an **Enterprise Service Bus**

## Web Services Provide Simple Point-to-Point Connectivity



- Advantages
  - ▶ Almost every platform supported
  - ▶ Standards-based, works across the internet
- But there are considerations...
  - ▶ The requester and provider must be running at the same time
  - ▶ No infrastructure for managing overall web services
- Mainframe supports web services via WebSphere Application Server, CICS, and IMS SOAP Gateway

## Message Queues Provide Greater Flexibility with Asynchronous Messaging

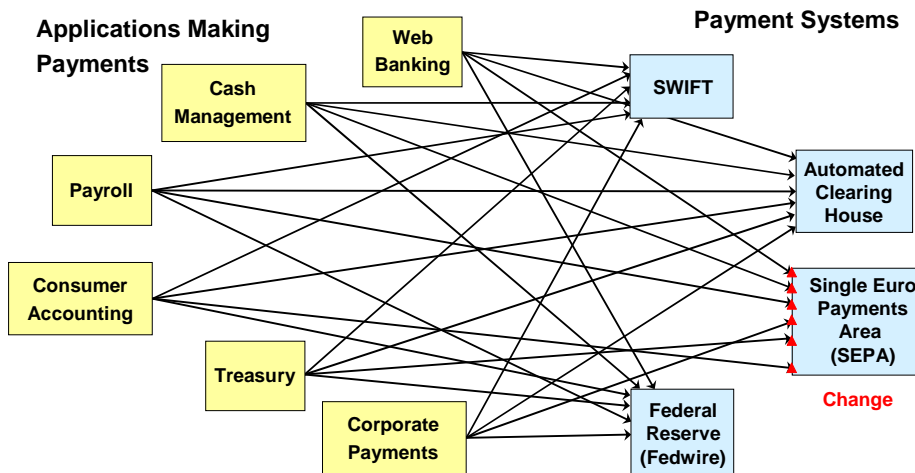


- Sender and receiver do not need to run at same time
  - ▶ Put and get messages from queues
- Reliable, assured delivery
- Sender and receiver can process messages at different rates
- Message servers can be networked together
  - ▶ Messages automatically arrive at named destination queue
- Mainframe supports messaging via WebSphere MQ and WebSphere Application Server (JMS)

## Connect Applications Point-to-Point with WebSphere MQ

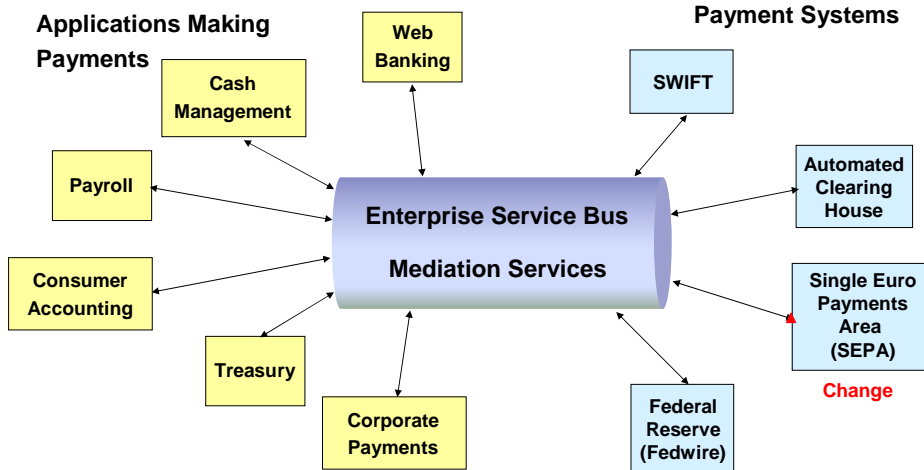
- Connects to virtually everything
  - ▶ Over 80 platform configurations
  - ▶ Uses IBM Message Queuing Interface (MQI), Java Message Service (JMS), or SOAP/JMS
  - ▶ Bridges Web 2.0 AJAX client applications to the WebSphere MQ queues using RESTful interfaces
- Very simple API (put/get) for all main programming languages: C++, C#, Visual Basic, .NET, COBOL, Java
- The de facto standard for asynchronous messaging
  - ▶ 42% of z/OS customers have WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ 90% of the Fortune 100 businesses have WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ 60% of the Fortune 500 businesses have WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ 66% of North American and European banks
  - ▶ Banking clients move transactions worth \$35 trillion/day
  - ▶ Government clients move 675+ million messages/day

## However, Point-to-Point Connectivity Can Be Costly to Maintain



- Services are tightly coupled to one another
- One change requires many other changes

## An Enterprise Service Bus Reduces Costs By Providing Centralized Mediation Services



- A change requires only one change in the ESB mediation services
- Services can be created and maintained independently

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## Case Study – Analysis Showed Benefit of Using WebSphere Message Broker for Enterprise Integration

- The ESB on z/OS solution offered these benefits over the custom point-to-point connection option over the 5-year period:
  - ▶ 62% reduction in solution build cost
  - ▶ 73% reduction in on-going code maintenance of the integration solution
  - ▶ 42% reduction in infrastructure administration
- For an investment of \$2.5M in WebSphere software, the company would realize a benefit of **\$165M** over a 5-year period
  - ▶ Resulting in an ROI of **6,715%**

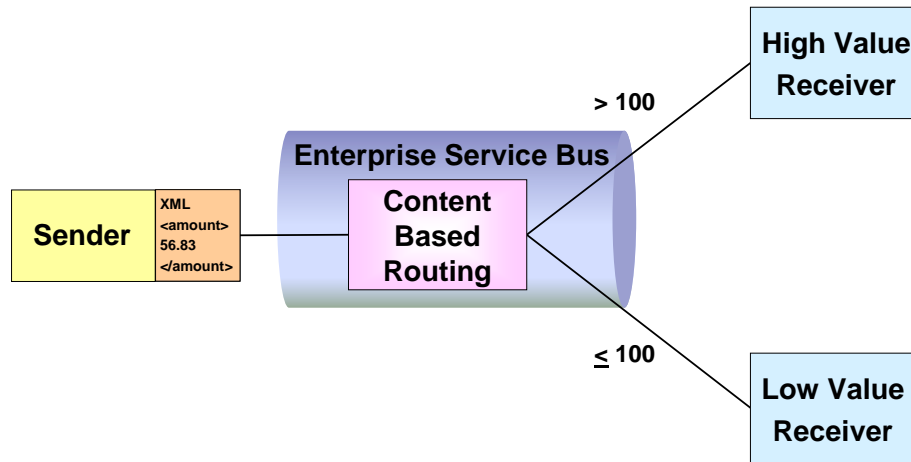
Source: High-level analysis for a large U.S. Health Insurance Company using IBM's Business Value Assessment (BVA) model, 2006

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## Mediation Service: Content-Based Routing

Example: Route payment based on payment amount



## Mediation Service: Data Transformation

Example: Transform XML to binary format

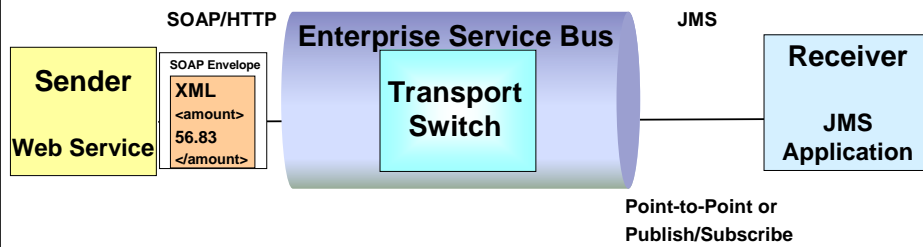


### Other Common Transformations

- One XML schema to another XML schema
- Industry specific transformations, e.g., IFX to SWIFT

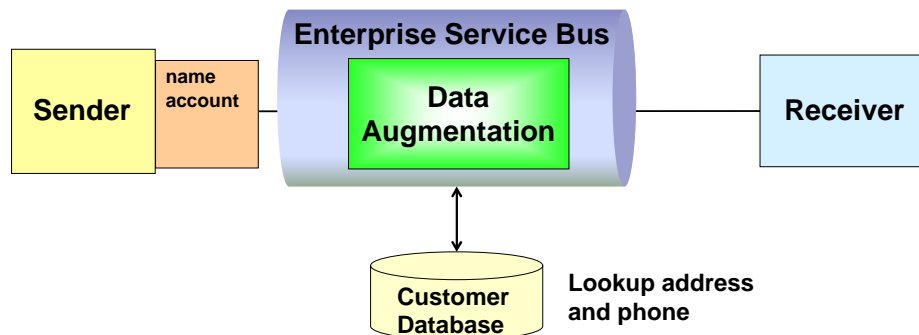
## Mediation Service: Transport Switching

Example: Switch from SOAP/HTTP to a JMS message



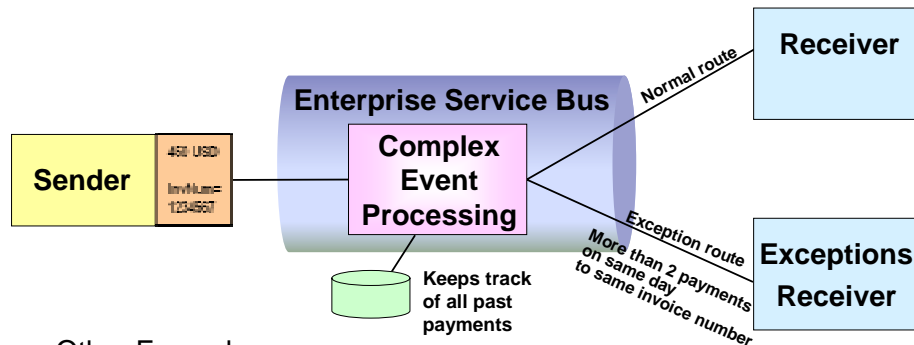
## Mediation Service: Data Augmentation

Example: Add customer information from an external database



## Complex Event Processing

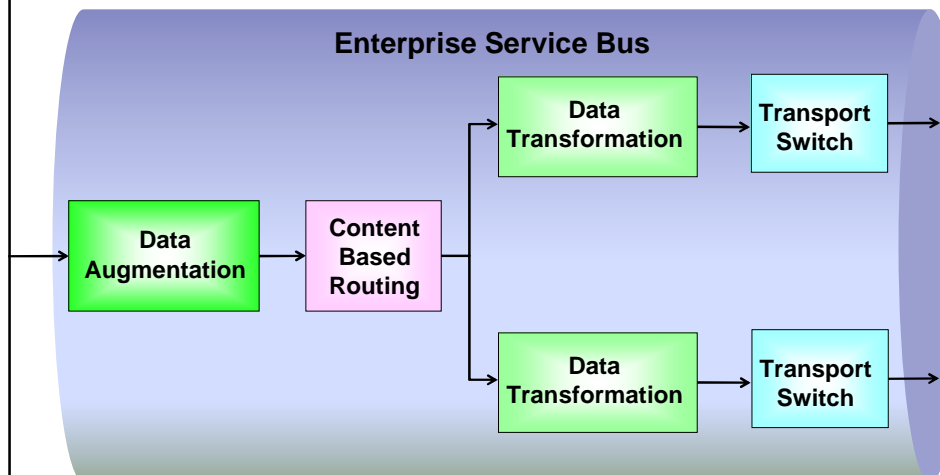
Example: Fraud detection and alerting



### Other Examples

- Enforcement of regulatory constraints
- Periodically report aggregate payments
- Service level agreement monitoring and notification

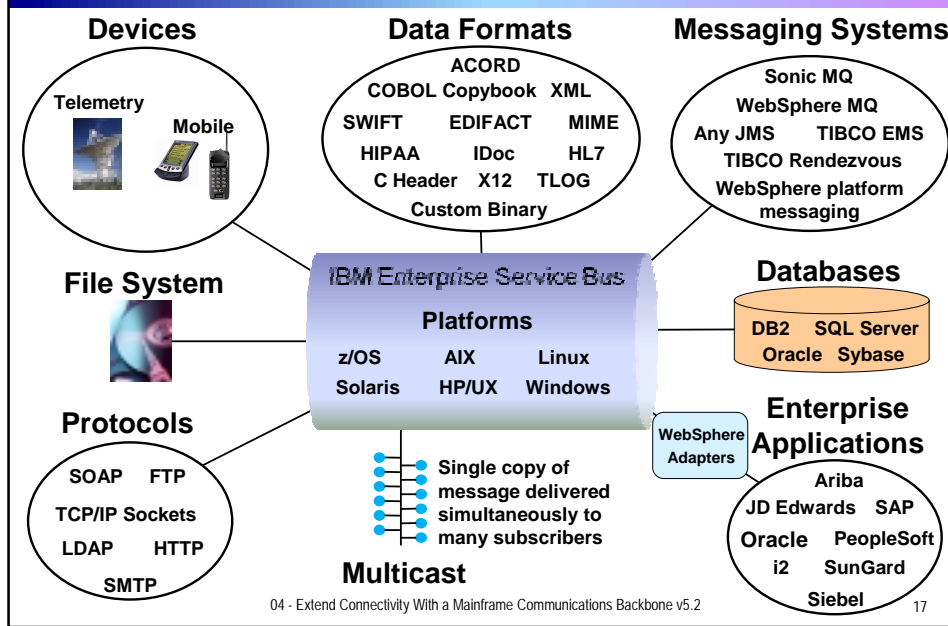
## Combine Mediation Services Together To Meet Connectivity Requirements



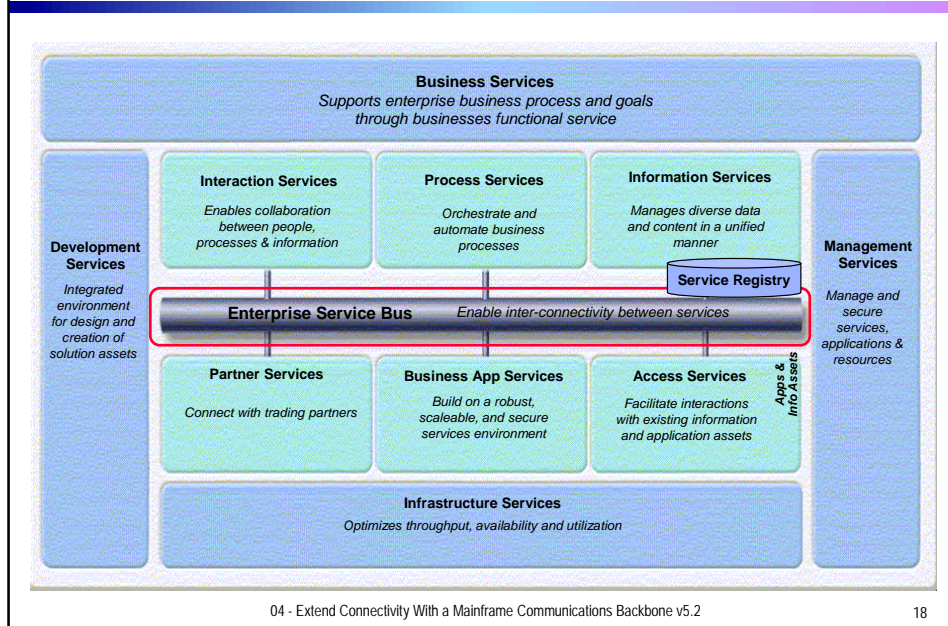
- Combine mediation services in any order
- Construct mediation flow to connect services



# IBM Enterprise Service Bus Connects Almost Anything to Anything



# An Enterprise Service Bus Serves as the Communications Backbone to Connect All Services



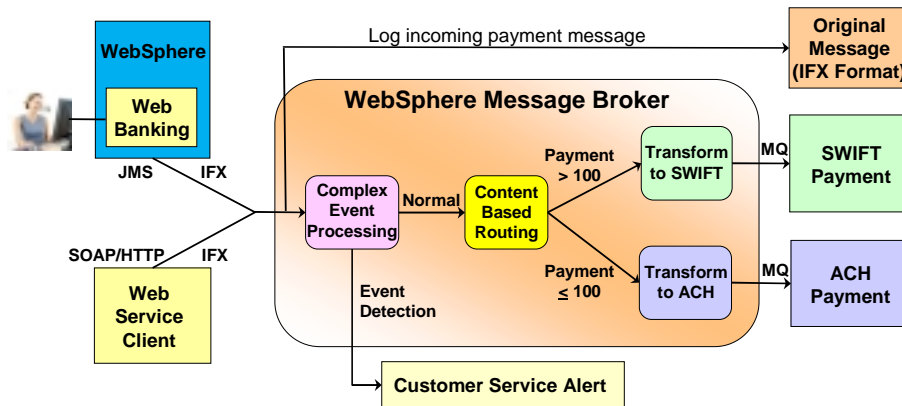
# Implementing Your Enterprise Service Bus Depends Upon Your Requirements

	WebSphere ESB (Runs on z/OS)	WebSphere Message Broker (Runs on z/OS)
Built on WebSphere Application Server	✓	
Wide Range of Platforms	✓	✓
Web Services (SOAP/HTTP)	✓	✓
Content-Based Routing & Transformation	✓	✓
Transport Switching & Database Support	✓	✓
Adapters for Enterprise Applications	✓	✓
XML Data Format	✓	✓
Non-XML Data Formats		✓
Complex Event Processing		✓
Content-Based Publish/Subscribe		✓
Mobile and Telemetry Devices		✓
Multicast		✓
Third Party Messaging Systems		✓

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## DEMO: Using WebSphere Message Broker For Payments



- Web banking payments routed to payment system based on amount
- Transformation from IFX to SWIFT and ACH formats
- 3<sup>rd</sup> payment on same invoice number on same day creates customer service alert
- Payments are processed exactly the same for a web service client

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## Run Your Communications Backbone on the Mainframe

What platform should I use to run my communications backbone?



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Extend your mainframe to provide a communications backbone with WebSphere MQ and WebSphere Message Broker on System z



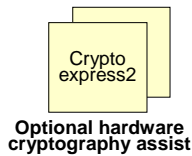
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## Mainframe Extension Solution – Communications Backbone

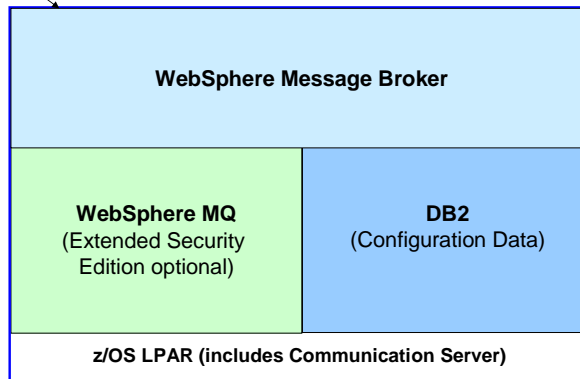


WebSphere Message Broker Developer Toolkit  
Windows or Linux

WebSphere Message Broker Includes three components installed in one LPAR with z/OS



Optional hardware cryptography assist

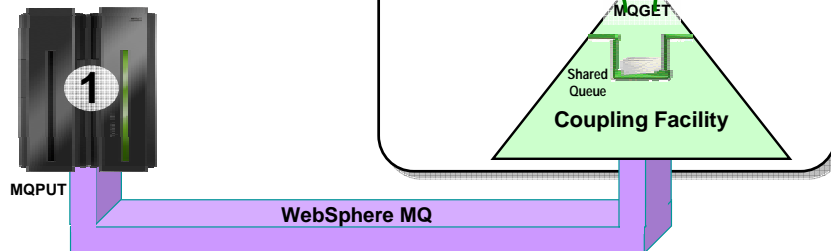


## Communications Backbone Exploits z/OS Capabilities

- Exploits sysplex clustering to provide true 24X7 operations
  - ▶ WebSphere MQ takes advantage of Parallel Sysplex to enable MQ shared queues
- Leverage System z hardware advantages
  - ▶ Huge I/O bandwidth (z10 InfiniBand - 6 GBps)
  - ▶ Hipersocket in-memory networking eliminates latency
  - ▶ Unmatched hardware reliability
  - ▶ Crypto Cards accelerate encryption
- RACF security
- Disaster recovery via GDPS
- Capacity upgrade on-demand for unexpected peaks

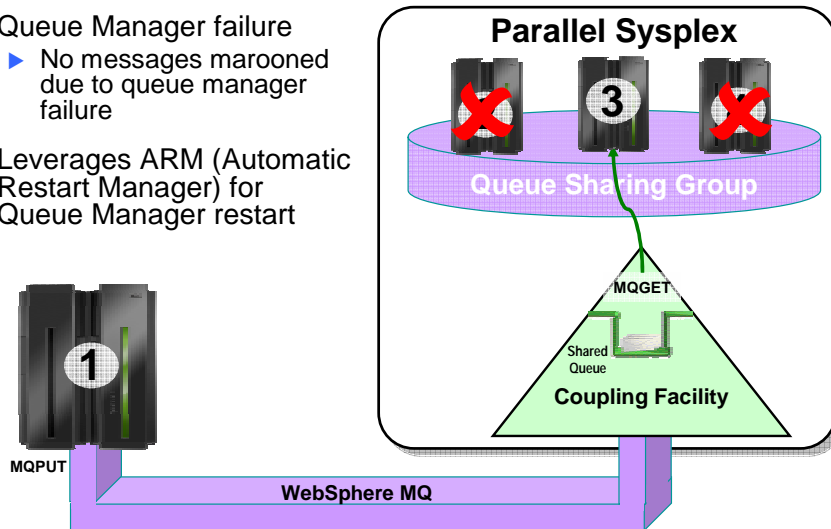
## WebSphere MQ Shared Queues on z/OS

- Any processor can access the same queue
  - ▶ Queue sharing groups
- Exploits Parallel Sysplex
- Automatic load balancing
- Scalable throughput



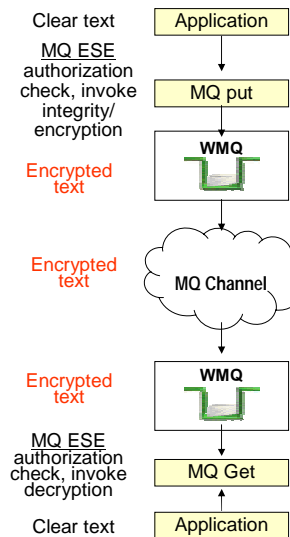
## Shared Queues Enable High Availability

- Queue Manager failure
  - ▶ No messages marooned due to queue manager failure
- Leverages ARM (Automatic Restart Manager) for Queue Manager restart



## WebSphere MQ Extended Security Edition for z/OS V6 Enhances Security and Compliance

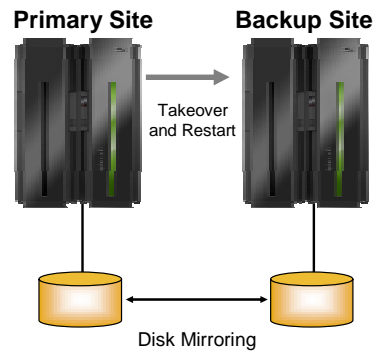
- Protects message data end-to-end including when it resides in queues. 3 security levels:
  - ▶ None-authorization only
  - ▶ Integrity-attaches digital signatures to messages
  - ▶ Privacy-encrypt/decrypt
- Exploits System z cryptographic processor
- Simple upgrade on top of WebSphere MQ
  - ▶ Intercepts application message before it enters/leaves queues
- Provides key element of solution for Payment Card Industry (PCI) Data Security Standard (DSS)



## A Communications Backbone on System z Benefits From Systematic Disaster Recovery

- Leverages Geographically Dispersed Parallel Sysplex (GDPS) capabilities in case of a data center disaster

- ▶ Capacity backup to support critical workloads
- ▶ Disk mirroring avoids message loss
- ▶ Automated scripts drive automatic failover



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## Customer Example



### Background:

- ▶ A prominent Spanish financial institution
- ▶ 900 bank branches
- ▶ Traditional System z client with a COBOL/CICS/DB2 environment

### Challenge:

- ▶ Required to have Secure Web Internet File Transfer (SWIFT) integration with external partners
- ▶ Needed to expose CICS transactions as Web Services without any change in business logic

### Solution: Websphere MQ and WebSphere Message Broker on z/OS

- ▶ Transformed CICS transactions into outbound SWIFT format messages
- ▶ Reformatted inbound SWIFT messages in order to be used by host applications
- ▶ Enriched the contents of transactions with access to external databases
- ▶ Stored audit information in a database for later queries
- ▶ Developed Web Services to expose CICS transactions using standard interface
- ▶ Implemented solution on a proven and reliable message mediation platform

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## Summary

IBM's communication backbone solution provides the availability, scalability, and security I need



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