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Installing and uninstalling IBM MQ 9.4 in Linux RHEL

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+++ Objective +++

The purpose of this technical document is to show all the steps to perform the following tasks for IBM MQ in a Linux x86 64-bit machine (Red Hat Enterprise Linux RHEL 9.4), using rpm:

1) Installing MQ 9.4.0.0 Long Term Support (LTS)

2) Uninstalling MQ 9.4.0.0

Notes:

- Even though this tutorial was written for MQ 9.4, the same principles apply to all versions, release types (LTS/CD) and fix packs.

- The steps apply also to the queue manager and/or client components.

- The same principles apply to the installation and uninstallation of the MQ 9.4 Continuous Delivery (CD).

This document describes a scenario in which there is ONLY one version of MQ installed in the machine (Installation1), in the default location of: /opt/mqm

This means that the utilities "crtmqpkg" and "crtmqfp" are NOT used. These utilities are ONLY needed when installing/maintaining the 2nd or 3rd or another installation location, when there are multiple MQ installations coexisting in the same machine.

A test queue manager will be created for a quick test for putting a message into a queue via local bindings.

Starting with MQ 9.3, the MQ Explorer is NO longer included with the package file that is downloaded from IBM Passport Advantage.

For details on how to download and install the MQ Explorer see:

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6598657

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+ Starting with MQ 9.4 the following components are no longer provided:

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/7107744

IBM MQ Bridge to BlockChain MQSeriesBCBridge was removed in MQ 9.4, 9.3.1 CD, Fix Packs 9.3.0.15 LTS and 9.2.0.21 LTS, how to uninstall it

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/7151798

IBM MQ Bridge to SalesForce MQSeriesSFBridge was removed in MQ 9.4 and 9.3.1 CD - how to uninstall it

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+ MQ follows Best Practice of using 2 separate file systems: one for runtime, one for data

The MQ product for UNIX (AIX, Linux, etc) follows the best practice of using 2 different directory trees:

- 1: A directory tree for the executables and shared libraries. In AIX is /usr/mqm In Linux and others is /opt/mqm
- 2: A directory tree for the data for the queue managers and other configuration files. For all UNIX is /var/mqm

When you backup /var/mqm, you are backing up ONLY the data, and not the executables.

These 2 directories trees are mutually exclusive, which means:

- When you create, maintain and use queue managers, only the data in /var/mqm is touched.

There is NO altering of any of the executable files under /opt/mqm.

- When you install, uninstall, apply fix packs or interim fixes, only the files under /opt/mqm are touched.

There is NO altering of any of the files under /var/mqm.

+ If you are installing MQ for the very first time, then notice that the following directory trees are NOT yet created.

They will be created during the 1st installation of MQ!

ROOT RHEL94941: # ls -dl /opt/mgm

ls: cannot access '/opt/mqm': No such file or directory

ls -dl /var/mqm
ls: cannot access '/var/mqm': No such file or directory

+ Related tutorials:

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6209227 Summary of Linux commands to administrate MQ

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6890737

How to compute SHA256 and check signatures of downloaded IBM MQ files: sha256sum (Linux, AIX), CertUtil (Windows) Topic 1: Signatures Topic 2: The Secure Hash Algorithm SHA-256 is used.

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/1135522 Configuring MQ to use a dedicated Listener, Channel and Queue in Linux (Tutorial) Page 5 of 29

+++++ Chapter 1: Summary of commands

Login as root to create group "mqm" and user "mqm".

+ Here are some Best Practices for these ids:

a) In order to use MQ Multi-Instance Queue Managers or MQ Replicated Data Queue Managers (RDQM) **it is required that the numeric groupid for "mqm" and numeric userid for "mqm" in all the hosts MUST be IDENTICAL!** Thus, if in host-1 the userid for "mqm" is 1010 but in host-2 the userid for "mqm" is 1020 (for example), then these features will NOT work: in host-2 the userid for "mqm" MUST match the userid 1010 used in host-1.

b) Note about the home directory for mqm: do NOT use "/var/mqm".

It is a Best Practice that the home directory for the user "mqm" should be "/home/mqm" or any other directory other than "/var/mqm".

Even though it is technically possible to use /var/mqm as the home directory, it is NOT optimal to designate the home directory to "/var/mqm" because it could cause unnecessary restrictions to customizations tasks such as using passwordless login (sshd may conclude that the permissions of /var/mqm are too permissive, because members of the group "mqm" need access to the directory).

++ Creating groupid "mqm" (id 500) and userid "mqm" (id 501)

The following command will create a group called "mqm", with group-id (gid) of 500:

groupadd -g 500 mqm

The following command will create a user called "mqm", with user-id (uid) of 501 and belonging to the group "mqm", having a home directory of "/home/mqm"

useradd -u 501 -g mqm -s /bin/bash -d /home/mqm -m mqm

Assign the proper password: # passwd mqm

After creating the group and user, then the "id" command shows:

id mqm
uid=501(mqm) gid=500(mqm) groups=500(mqm)

+ Installing MQ 9.4.0.0

Login as root. Go to the directory where you downloaded the installation image file, such as: cd /downloads/mq9400 Unpack the file: tar -zxvf 9.4.0.0-IBM-MQ-LinuxX64.tar.gz Go to the "MQServer" directory: cd ./MQServer Accept the license: ./mqlicense.sh -accept Install all the rpm files: rpm -ivh MQ*.rpm

+ Stopping MQ queue managers (in order to apply fix pack). The "ps -ef" command is useful to confirm that there are no running processes for MQ.

Login as an MQ administrator (user mqm). \$ endmqm -i QMgrName \$ ps -ef | grep -i mq + Uninstalling Base 9.4.0.0:

Login as root. rpm -ev `rpm -qa | grep MQSeries | grep "9\.4\.0\-0"`

+ Uninstalling all MQ components (both Fix Pack and base)

Login as root. rpm -ev `rpm -qa | grep MQSeries` +++++ Chapter 2: How to get the installation images

Please note that the General Availability (GA) is the same starting point for both release types:

MQ 9.4.0.0 LTS (Long Term Support) = MQ 9.4.0 CD (Continuous Delivery)

For MQ 9.4: From IBM Passport Advantage you can download Visit IBM Passport Advantage:

https://www.ibm.com/software/passportadvantage/pao_customer.html

... search for Part Number for the single package that includes the queue manager, client and the rest of the components (except the MQ Explorer).

MOH54ML IBM MQ 9.4 Long Term Support release for Linux on x86 64-bit Multilingual

You will need around 2 GB of disk space to store the downloaded tar.gz file for the manufacturing refresh, and for the extracted rpm files.

Note for the MQ Explorer:

Starting with MQ 9.3: MQ Explorer is NO longer included with the download from Passport Advantage.

For details on how to download and install the MQ Explorer see: https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6598657

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+ Downloaded image name for MQ 9.4.0.0: 9.4.0.0-IBM-MQ-LinuxX64.tar.gz

Local Directory: /downloads/mq9400

++ The filesets for the RDQM feature are provided in a subdirectory

Note: This tutorial does not cover the installation of RDQM.

The rpm file for MQSeriesRDQM is stored in a deeper subdirectory:

cd /downloads/mq9400/MQServer/Advanced/RDQM
ls *.rpm
MQSeriesRDQM-9.4.0-0.x86_64.rpm

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++ Note about using MQ in English - no need to install *Msg* rpm filesets

Messages in U.S. English are automatically installed with IBM MQ. That is, the "message catalog for U.S. English" is always installed. Therefore, by default, the informational, warning and error messages displayed by the MQ product will be in English.

There is no file named "MQSeriesMsg_en" because the U.S. English messages are always installed.

Message catalogs for all languages (except for English, because the English messages are included already) are included with the MQ installation image for:

- The base/rebased MQ product downloaded from IBM Passport Advantage
- The fix packs for MQ downloaded from IBM Fix Central

A best practice is to install only those message catalogs that your team is going to use and to delete those message catalogs that your team is not going to use. Otherwise, the presence of message catalogs that are not used just take space in the disk and clutter the output of "rpm -qa" when querying for installed MQ packages.

+ Hint if you only work in English:

If you are not going to install these additional message catalogs, then you can delete the *Msg*.rpm files.

In that way, if you issue the simplest rpm command to install of available rpm filesets, these non-English message catalogs will not be installed.

For more information see:

https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/ibm-mq/9.4?topic=linux-displaying-messages-in-yournational-language IBM MQ / 9.4 Displaying messages in your national language on Linux ++++ Chapter 3: Create userid "mqm" and group "mqm

Prior to installing the MQ executable code, it is necessary to create the userid "mqm" and group "mqm". These ids will own the MQ executable and shared library files, as well as the data and recovery logs for the MQ queue managers.

The MQ code has hardcoded that any member of the group "mqm" is an MQ Administrator.

Note: If you do NOT create the group "mqm" and user "mqm" BEFORE you install MQ, then the MQ installer will create them!

One potential problem is that the MQ installer let's the OS to choose the actual gid number and uid number, thus the uid for user "mqm' in host-1 might be different than in host-2.

A Best Practice is to use the same uid and gid in all your hosts, and that means, that you need to define the group "mqm" and user "mqm" BEFORE you install MQ.

Login as root to create group "mqm" and user "mqm".

+ Here are some Best Practices for these ids:

a) In order to use MQ Multi-Instance Queue Managers or MQ Replicated Data Queue Managers (RDQM) **it is required that the numeric groupid for "mqm" and numeric userid for "mqm" in all the hosts MUST be IDENTICAL!** Thus, if in host-1 the userid for "mqm" is 1010 but in host-2 the userid for "mqm" is 1020 (for example), then these features will NOT work: in host-2 the userid for "mqm" MUST match the userid 1010 used in host-1.

b) Note about the home directory for mgm: do NOT use "/var/mgm".

It is a Best Practice that the home directory for the user "mqm" should be "/home/mqm" or any other directory other than "/var/mqm".

Even though it is technically possible to use /var/mqm as the home directory, it is NOT optimal to designate the home directory to "/var/mqm" because it could cause unnecessary restrictions to customizations tasks such as using passwordless login (sshd may conclude that the permissions of /var/mqm are too permissive, because members of the group "mqm" need access to the directory).

The following command is useful to know the precise version of Linux.

ROOT RHEL94941: /root
cat /etc/redhat-release
Red Hat Enterprise Linux release 9.4 (Plow)

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The following command will create a group called "mqm", with group-id (gid) of 500:

groupadd -g 500 mqm

The following command will create a user called "mqm", with user-id (uid) of 501 and belonging to the grop "mqm": # useradd -u 501 -g mqm -s /bin/bash -d /home/mqm -m mqm

Assign the proper password: # passwd mqm

After creating the group and user, then the "id" command shows: # id mqm uid=501(mqm) gid=500(mqm) groups=500(mqm) Login as root.

Go to the local directory where the file with the MQ 9.4.0.0 code is located (see Chapter 2) cd /downloads/mq9400

Unpack the file: tar -zxvf 9.4.0.0-IBM-MQ-LinuxX64.tar.gz

Go to the newly created "MQServer" directory: cd /downloads/mq9400/MQServer

Lists the *.rpm files:

ls -1 *.rpm

MQSeriesAMQP-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesAMS-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesClient-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesFTAgent-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesFTBase-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesFTLogger-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesFTService-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesFTTools-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesGSKit-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesJava-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesJRE-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMan-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg cs-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg de-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg es-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg fr-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg hu-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg it-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg_ja-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg ko-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg pl-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg pt-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg ru-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg_Zh_CN-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesMsg Zh TW-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesRuntime-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesSamples-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesSDK-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesServer-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm MQSeriesWeb-9.4.0-0.x86_64.rpm MQSeriesXRService-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm

Accept the license: ./mqlicense.sh -accept Agreement accepted: Proceed with install.

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Note about deleting those "Message Catalog Files" that your team does not need: Depending on what is the desired objective for this installation, you may need to select the desired rpm files to install.

Also, you may want to delete those rpm files that you do not need, such as the Message Catalog files (*Msg*.rpm) which provide support for non-English error messages, such as in French, Spanish, etc.

This document assumes that you want to install all the rpm filesets (except RDQM)

Note:

During the running of rpm, you will see in the output, something about " Header V4 RSA/SHA256 Signature, key ID 07b22880: NOKEY "

Do NOT worry, it is not an error!

For more details, see "Topic 1" from the following technote:

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6890737

How to compute SHA256 and check signatures of downloaded IBM MQ files: sha256sum (Linux, AIX), CertUtil (Windows)

Topic 1: Signatures

Topic 2: The Secure Hash Algorithm SHA-256 is used.

Install all the rpm files (except for RDQM, whose rpm file resides in another folder) rpm -ivh MQ*.rpm

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warning: MQSeriesAMQP-9.4.0-0.x86 64.rpm: Header V4 RSA/SHA256 Signature, key ID
07b22880: NOKEY
Verifying...
                      Preparing...
                      Updating / installing...
1:MQSeriesRuntime-9.4.0-0
                     Warning : package "MQSeriesRuntime" is signed but key is not installed on this
system.
     rpm verify shows "Header V4 RSA/SHA256 Signature, key ID 07b22880: NOKEY"
     rpm warning message may have been issued at install time.
     See topic "IBM MQ code signatures" in the IBM MQ documentation for more
information.
 2:MQSeriesJava-9.4.0-0
                     3:MQSeriesJRE-9.4.0-0
                      4:MQSeriesFTBase-9.4.0-0
5:MQSeriesGSKit-9.4.0-0
6:MQSeriesServer-9.4.0-0
                    Updated PAM configuration in /etc/pam.d/ibmmg
 Licensed entitlement 'advanced' set for installation at '/opt/mgm'.
 Licensed entitlement 'advanced' set for installation at '/opt/mgm'.
 13:MQSeriesXRService-9.4.0-0
                     Licensed entitlement 'advanced' set for installation at '/opt/mqm'.
```

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16:MQSeriesMan-9.4.0-0
17:MQSeriesMsg cs-9.4.0-0
18:MQSeriesMsg de-9.4.0-0
19:MQSeriesMsg es-9.4.0-0
20:MQSeriesMsg_fr-9.4.0-0
21:MQSeriesMsg_hu-9.4.0-0
22:MQSeriesMsg_it-9.4.0-0
23:MQSeriesMsg_ja-9.4.0-0
24:MQSeriesMsg_ko-9.4.0-0
25:MQSeriesMsg_pl-9.4.0-0
26:MQSeriesMsg_pt-9.4.0-0
27:MQSeriesMsg_ru-9.4.0-0
28:MQSeriesMsg_Zh_CN-9.4.0-0
29:MQSeriesMsg_Zh_TW-9.4.0-0
30:MQSeriesSamples-9.4.0-0
31:MQSeriesSDK-9.4.0-0

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++ What are the effects of installing MQ on a pristine machine?

The rest of this chapter explains some of the effects of installing MQ.

1) The rpm database will indicate that MQ is installed:

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# rpm -qa | grep MQSeries | sort
MQSeriesAMQP-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesAMS-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesClient-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesFTAgent-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesFTBase-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesFTLogger-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesFTService-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesFTTools-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesGSKit-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesJava-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesJRE-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMan-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg cs-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg de-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg_es-9.4.0-0.x86_64
MQSeriesMsg_fr-9.4.0-0.x86_64
MQSeriesMsg hu-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg it-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg ja-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg ko-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg pl-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg pt-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg ru-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg Zh CN-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesMsg_Zh_TW-9.4.0-0.x86_64
MQSeriesRuntime-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesSamples-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesSDK-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesServer-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesWeb-9.4.0-0.x86 64
MQSeriesXRService-9.4.0-0.x86 64
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2) There is a new directory which has a file with the information of the MQ installations: /etc/opt/mqm

ls -dl /etc/opt/mqm
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 24 Jun 18 12:16 /etc/opt/mqm

and a new file: # ls -dl /etc/opt/mqm/* -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 153 Jun 18 12:16 /etc/opt/mqm/mqinst.ini

The contents of the file is:

cat /etc/opt/mqm/mqinst.ini

```
Installation:
   Name=Installation1
   Description=
   Identifier=1
   FilePath=/opt/mgm
```

3) There is a new directory that has the MQ executable code and libraries: /opt/mqm

ls -dl /opt/mqm

dr-xr-xr-x 19 mqm mqm 4096 Jun 5 06:54 /opt/mqm

This is the list of the subdirectories:

ls -dl /opt/mqm/*

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dr-xr-xr-x	6	mqm	mqm					/opt/mqm/amqp		
dr-xr-xr-x	3	mqm	mqm					/opt/mqm/bin		
dr-xr-xr-x	7	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:16	/opt/mqm/gskit8		
dr-xr-xr-x	4	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/inc		
-rrr	1	mqm	mqm	16419	Jun	5	06:54	/opt/mqm/instinfo.tsk		
dr-xr-xr-x	7	mqm	mqm	65	Jun	5	06:54	/opt/mqm/java		
dr-xr-xr-x	3	mqm	mqm	40	Jun	18	12:16	/opt/mqm/lap		
dr-xr-xr-x	4	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/lib		
dr-xr-xr-x	3	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/lib64		
dr-xr-xr-x	2	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:16	/opt/mqm/licenses		
dr-xr-xr-x	4	mqm	mqm	30	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/man		
dr-xr-xr-x	8	bin	bin	78	Jun	5	06:56	/opt/mqm/mqft		
-rrr	1	mqm	mqm		Jun			/opt/mqm/mqpatch.dat		
dr-xr-xr-x	7	mqm	mqm	68	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/mqxr		
dr-xr-xr-x	16	mqm	mqm	188	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/msg		
dr-xr-xr-x	2	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:16	/opt/mqm/READMES		
dr-xr-xr-x	14	mqm	mqm					/opt/mqm/samp		
dr-xr-xr-x	2	mqm	mqm	4096	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/swidtag		
dr-xr-x	9	mqm	mqm	152	Jun	18	12:17	/opt/mqm/web		

4) There is a new directory structure for the MQ data: /var/mqm

ls -dl /var/mqm

drwxrwsr-x 14 mqm mqm 4096 Jun 18 12:16 /var/mqm

Here is the list of the subdirectories:

ls -dl /var/mqm/*

drwxrwsr-x	2	mqm	mqm	6	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/config
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	19	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/conv
drwxrwsrwx	2	mqm	mqm	66	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/errors
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	27	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/exits
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	27	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/exits64
drwxrwsr-x	2	mqm	mqm	6	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/log
-rw-rw-r	1	mqm	mqm	661	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/mqclient.ini
drwxrwsr-x	5	mqm	mqm	53	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/mqft
-rw-rw-r	1	mqm	mqm	2475	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/mqs.ini
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	21	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/qmgrs
-rw-rw-r	1	mqm	mqm	1941	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/service.env
drwxrwsr-x	4	mqm	mqm	32	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/shared
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	21	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/sockets
drwxrwsrwx	2	mqm	mqm	6	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/trace
drwxrwsr-x	3	mqm	mqm	27	Jun	18	12:16	/var/mqm/web

Note:

- a) The queue manager data will be located under: /var/mgm/gmgrs
- b) The recovery logs (transaction logs) for the queue manager will be located under: /var/mqm/log

5) There are NO symbolic links in /usr/bin for the MQ executable code. You can specify later that this Installation should be the 'Primary" and then the symbolic links will be created.

ls -l /usr/bin/*mq*

(no entries for MQ code)

6) Because there are no symbolic links under /usr/bin, the MQ commands are not under the default PATH, which means that if you try go run "dspmqver" to show the version of MQ, the command will not be found:

dspmqver

-bash: dspmqver: command not found

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+++++ Chapter 5: Using setmqenv to setup the MQ environment variables

Note that by default, the MQ installer does NOT make the installation the Primary one.

There is a feature called "multi-version" installation, in which several different versions of MQ can coexist in the same host.

One important detail is that when MQ is installed in the host, there are NO symbolic links created in /usr/bin or /usr/lib.

Why? Because the installation software does not know if you want to have this new installation the Primary one or if you want to use as Primary another installation of MQ in the same host.

There are 2 approaches to set the MQ environment variables to use MQ commands.

In this tutorial we will proceed with the 1st approach (using setmqenv).

+ Option 1) No Primary installation (the default), using setmoenv

If you decide to have multiple installations of MQ in the same host and you do not want for none of them to be the Primary, then you will have to issue the following command every time that you login. The command can be added to your .bashrc or .profile file.

Specify the MQ environment. In Linux/AIX, you MUST "source" (inline) the command "setmqenv". There are 2 options:

a) You can explicitly use the command "source": source /opt/mgm/bin/setmgenv -n Installation1

b) Or you can do the following, which is tricky for new users: dot, then space, then the rest.

```
. /opt/mqm/bin/setmqenv -n Installation1
| |
| +--> space
+-> dot
```

RECOMMENDATION to create a script:

As user "root" create a shell script that other local users could use to setup the MQ environment variables.

Login as root

Go to the directory /usr/local/bin # cd /usr/local/bin

Create script: # vi set-mq-inst1

Or you can use a name such as: # vi set-mq-94

Notice that the installation name is: Installation1

Specify the script as executable:
chmod 755 /usr/local/bin/set-mq-inst1

All local users can now execute this script from their command prompt or within the .profile or .bashrc

a) You can explicitly use the command "source": source /usr/local/bin/set-mq-inst1

b) Or you can do the following, which is tricky for new users: dot, then space, then the rest.

```
. /usr/local/bin/set-mq-inst1
| |
| +--> space
+-> dot
```

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+ Option 2) If there is only 1 installation of MQ in your system, the one with 9.4, then you can explicitly make this installation to be the "Primary". In that way, there will be symbolic links in /usr/bin that point to /opt/mqm.

As user "root" you will need to run the following command.

/opt/mqm/bin/setmqinst -i -p /opt/mqm

Some of the side-effects for making an installation a Primary are:

A) There are 2 lines appended to /etc/opt/mqm/mqinst.ini to indicate that this installation is a Primary one.

cat /etc/opt/mqm/mqinst.ini

```
Installation:
   Name=Installation1
   Description=
   Identifier=1
   FilePath=/opt/mqm
Primary:
   Name=Installation1
```

B) There will be symbolic links in /usr/lib

ls -l /usr/bin/*mg*

```
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 21 Jul 31 11:38 /usr/bin/addmqinf -> /opt/mqm/bin/addmqinf ...
```

+ After performing one of the above options, now "dspmqver" can be found in the PATH:

```
**ROOT** RHEL94941: /downloads/mq9400/MQServer
#. /opt/mqm/bin/setmqenv -n Installation1
# dspmqver
Name: IBM MQ
Version: 9.4.0.0
Level: p940-L240605.1
BuildType: IKAP - (Production)
Platform: IBM MQ for Linux (x86-64 platform)
Mode: 64-bit
O/S: Linux 5.14.0-427.20.1.el9_4.x86_64
O/S Details: Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.4 (Plow)
InstName: Installation1
InstDesc:
Primary: No
InstPath: /opt/mqm
DataPath: /var/mqm
MaxCmdLevel: 940
LicenseType: Production
ReleaseType: Long Term Support (LTS) and Continuous Delivery (CD)
```

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++++ Chapter 6: Creating a test queue manager, quick verification test

Login as user "mqm" (MQ Administrator)

Notice that there are NO environment variables for MQ.

```
$ set | grep -i mq
HISTFILE=/home/mqm/.bash_history
HOME=/home/mqm
...
```

It is necessary to run an MQ script in order to set up needed environment variables. You can add the following into your profile or bashrc. Notice that you MUST include the dot, then the space and then the rest of text. This is called "to source" the script, that is, to make it "inline".

mqm@ RHEL94941: /home/mqm \$ source /opt/mqm/bin/setmqenv -n Installation1

Note: If root created the script set-mq-inst1 in the previous chapter, then you can issue:

\$ source /usr/local/bin/set-mq-inst1
Version: 9.4.0.0

These are the environment variables set by setmqenv:

\$ set | grep -i mq

```
MANPATH=/opt/mqm/man::/usr/man
MQ DATA PATH=/var/mqm
MQ ENV MODE=64
MQ INSTALLATION NAME=Installation1
MQ INSTALLATION PATH=/opt/mqm
MQ JAVA DATA PATH=/var/mqm
MQ JAVA INSTALL PATH=/opt/mqm/java
MQ JAVA LIB PATH=/opt/mqm/java/lib64
MQ JRE PATH=/opt/mqm/java/jre64/jre
MQ RETVAL=0
PATH=/opt/mgm/bin:/opt/ibm/java-x86 64-
70/bin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/home/mqm/b
in:.:/sbin:/opt/mqm/java/bin:/opt/mqm/samp/bin:/opt/mqm/samp/jms/samples::/opt/IBM/
WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/AppSrv01/bin:/opt/IBM/WebSphere/AppServer/profiles/Dmg
r01/bin
PWD=/home/mqm
USER=mqm
```

The file /var/mqm/mqs.ini has the master index for the queue managers.

```
mqm@ RHEL94941: /home/mqm
$ cd /var/mqm
$ cd /var/mqm
#* Module Name: mqs.ini *#
#* Type : MQ Machine-wide Configuration File *#
#* Function : Define MQ resources for an entire machine *#
AllQueueManagers:
    DefaultPrefix=/var/mqm
LogDefaults:
    LogDefaultPath=/var/mqm/log
```

The data for the queue managers will be located at: /var/mqm/qmgrs

This is the location for the recovery/transaction logs: /var/mqm/log

The "general" error logs (not associated with a queue manager) and the FDC files that might be generated at runtime, will be located at: /var/mqm/errors

++ Creating a queue manager for testing and initial customization to overcome typical security situations (not recommended for production)

https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/1135522

Configuring MQ to use a dedicated Listener, Channel and Queue in Linux (Tutorial) - User "root" adds the proper user and group in both hosts

- MQ administrator (user "mqm") creates a queue manager with the basic/normal objects in host-1

- MQ administrator adds the dedicated objects.

- Listener (such as MY.LISTENER in port 1420)
- Server-Connection Channel (such as MY.CHANNEL)

- Channel Authentication Record (CHLAUTH) for this server-connection channel that allows only the user "fulano" who is a member of the group "mqusers".

- Queue (such as MY.Q)

- Authority records for group "mqusers" to display, put, get, browse, etc. from the dedicated queue.

- User "fulano" from host-2 puts and gets messages using the dedicated objects

The following command specifies a Dead Letter Queue and port 1414 \$ crtmqm -u SYSTEM.DEAD.LETTER.QUEUE -p 1414 TEST94

IBM MQ queue manager 'TEST94' created. Directory '/var/mqm/qmgrs/TEST94' created. The queue manager is associated with installation 'Installation1'. Creating or replacing default objects for queue manager 'TEST94'. Default objects statistics : 84 created. 0 replaced. 0 failed. Completing setup. Setup completed.

\$ strmqm TEST94

IBM MQ queue manager 'TEST94' starting. The queue manager is associated with installation 'Installation1'. 6 log records accessed on queue manager 'TEST94' during the log replay phase. Log replay for queue manager 'TEST94' complete. Transaction manager state recovered for queue manager 'TEST94'. Plain text communication is enabled. IBM MQ queue manager 'TEST94' started using V9.4.0.0.

\$ runmqsc TEST94

Define a channel to be used by a remote MQ Explorer
define channel(SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN) chltype(SVRCONN)

Define test queue: define qlocal (Q1)

end

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Put a message using "bindings" (via local shared memory, not using TCP network) to the queue Q1:

\$ amgsput Q1 TEST94

Sample AMQSPUT0 start
target queue is Q1
this is a test
<press Enter without any further text to exit>
Sample AMQSPUT0 end

Now you can issue the sample that reads the message from the queue:

\$ amqsget Q1 TEST94

Sample AMQSGET0 start message <this is a test> no more messages Sample AMQSGET0 end

Result: The use of bindings samples to put a message and to get that message, worked fine.

Setup the following environment variable to exercise the client TCP network connection:

\$ export MQSERVER='SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN/TCP/localhost(1414)'

Notice that the sample executable name is different, it ends with "c" (for client network connection).

Notice that because we have not done further configuration to allow the remote access for MQ Administrators, the default behavior is to throw a security error, but at least we have done a successful test of the MQ Listener and the default security.

\$ amqsputc Q1 TEST94

Sample AMQSPUT0 start MQCONNX ended with reason code 2035

Use the following command to find out the name of the error:

\$ mqrc 2035
2035 0x000007f3 MQRC_NOT_AUTHORIZED

Let's find the error log of the queue manager:

\$ cd /var/mqm/qmgrs/TEST94/errors

Look at the bottom of the file: AMQERR01.LOG Notice that the 1st message is the important one. The 2nd message is a side-effect and it can be ignored.

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If you really want to relax the security rules, you can take a look at: <u>https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/1135522</u> Configuring MQ to use a dedicated Listener, Channel and Queue in Linux (Tutorial)

06/18/2024 12:50:09 PM - Process(10085.3) User(mqm) Program(amqrmppa) Host(RHEL94941.fyre.ibm.com) Installation(Installation1) VRMF(9.4.0.0) QMgr(TEST94) Time(2024-06-18T19:50:09.144Z) RemoteHost(127.0.0.1) CommentInsert1(SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN) CommentInsert2(127.0.0.1) CommentInsert3(MCAUSER(mqm) CLNTUSER(mqm) ADDRESS(localhost))

AMQ9776E: Channel was blocked by userid

found in the System Administration Guide.

EXPLANATION:

The inbound channel 'SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN' was blocked from address '127.0.0.1' because the active values of the channel were mapped to a userid which should be blocked. The active values of the channel were 'MCAUSER(mqm) CLNTUSER(mqm) ADDRESS(localhost)'. ACTION:

Contact the systems administrator, who should examine the channel authentication records to ensure that the correct settings have been configured. The ALTER QMGR CHLAUTH switch is used to control whether channel authentication records are used. The command DISPLAY CHLAUTH can be used to guery the channel authentication records.

----- cmqxrmsa.c : 1557 -----06/18/2024 12:50:09 PM - Process(10085.3) User(mqm) Program(amqrmppa) Host(RHEL94941.fyre.ibm.com) Installation(Installation1) VRMF(9.4.0.0) QMgr(TEST94) Time(2024-06-18T19:50:09.144Z) CommentInsert1(SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN) CommentInsert2(10085) CommentInsert3(127.0.0.1)

AMQ9999E: Channel 'SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN' to host '127.0.0.1' ended abnormally.

EXPLANATION:

The channel program running under process ID 10085 for channel 'SYSTEM.ADMIN.SVRCONN' ended abnormally. The host name is '127.0.0.1'; in some cases the host name cannot be determined and so is shown as '????'. ACTION: Look at previous error messages for the channel program in the error logs to determine the cause of the failure. Note that this message can be excluded completely or suppressed by tuning the "ExcludeMessage" or "SuppressMessage" attributes under the "QMErrorLog" stanza in qm.ini. Further information can be

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We can see that a new stanza was added to the master index file "mqs.ini" to register the new queue manager:

\$ tail /var/mqm/mqs.ini

```
...
QueueManager:
    Name=TEST94
    Prefix=/var/mqm
    Directory=TEST94
    InstallationName=Installation1
The following command shows the runtime status of the queue manager:
```

\$ dspmq

QMNAME (TEST94)

STATUS (Running)

\$ dspmq -o installation -o status

QMNAME (TEST94) STATUS (Running) INSTNAME (Installation1) INSTPATH (/opt/mqm) INSTVER (9.4.0.0)

The following shows the individual processes for the queue manager:

\$ ps -ef | grep TEST94

	+ P 1 a	5 F · - - · ·									
	mqm	9953	1	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzxma0	-m	TEST94	
	-u mqm										
	mqm	9963	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzfuma	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	9967	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzmgr0	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	9970	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzmuc0	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	9985	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzmur0	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	10000	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzmuf0	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	10003	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqrrmfa	-m	TEST94	
-t2332800 -s2592000 -p2592000 -g5184000 -c3600											
	mqm	10009	9967	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqpcsea	TES	ST94	
	mqm	10010	9967	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/runmqchi	-m	TEST94	
-q SYSTEM.CHANNEL.INITQ -r											
	mqm	10020	9953	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqzlaa0	-m1	CEST94	
	-fip0										
	mqm	10030	10000	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqfqpub	-mI	EST94	
	mqm	10041	9967	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/runmqlsr	-r	-m	
TEST94 -t TCP -p 1414											
	mqm	=	10030	0	12:47	?	00:00:00	/opt/mqm/bin/amqfcxba	-m	TEST94	
	mqm	10085	10041	0	12:50	?		/opt/mgm/bin/amgrmppa			
	mqm	10096	9786	0	12:53	pts/0		grepcolor=auto TESI			
	-					-					

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Verifying that the port is being used. Notice the following line from the output of "ps". It means that the port number 1414 is by used by runmqlsr, the MQ Listener for this queue manager.

10041 9967 0 12:47 ? 00:00:00 /opt/mgm/bin/runmglsr -r -m mam TEST94 -t TCP -p 1414

The networking command "netstat" can be used to query the status of a port. The -p flag indicates which is the process that is using it. In some older Linux, this flag can only be used by user root.

\$ netstat -anp | grep 1414

```
(Not all processes could be identified, non-owned process info
will not be shown, you would have to be root to see it all.)
tcp6
        0 0 :::1414
                            :::*
                                          LISTEN
                                                         10041/runmqlsr
```

Let's take a look at the version information held by the queue manager. Notice that the string under the attribute VERSION is 09040000 which represents: 09 04 00 00 => 09.04.00.00 => 9.4.0.0

```
$ runmasc TEST94
display qmgr version cmdlevel
AMQ8408I: Display Queue Manager details.
   QMNAME (TEST94)
                                           CMDLEVEL(940)
   VERSION(09040000)
```

end

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Shortcut: Uninstalling all MQ components (Fix Pack and base) Login as root. rpm -ev `rpm -qa | grep MQSeries`

Before trying to uninstall the MQ code, you will need to stop all the MQ queue managers and MQ clients in the host. There should NOT be any type of MQ activity.

+ Login as the MQ administrator "mqm" and terminate the queue manager:

\$ endmqm -i TEST94 IBM MQ queue manager 'TEST94' ending. IBM MQ queue manager 'TEST94' ended.

\$ **ps -ef | grep -i mq** mqm 9434 9432 0 11:44 pts/0 00:00:00 -bash mqm 10940 9434 0 12:07 pts/0 00:00:00 ps -ef

+ Login as root

Issue the following command to find out the filesets for MQ:

rpm -qa | grep MQSeries | sort

MQSeriesAMQP-9.4.0-0.x86_64 MQSeriesAMS-9.4.0-0.x86_64 ... MQSeriesRuntime-9.4.0-0.x86_64 ...

Proceed to uninstall MQ 9.4.0.0.

Let's explain a little bit the following command. There are 2 phases:

Phase-1: Notice that the command exploits the back-quote or back-tick to issue a command that identifies those file sets that are associated with MQ 9.4.0.0: rpm -qa | grep MQSeries | grep "9\.4\.0\-0"

Phase-2: Uninstall the list of rpm obtained in Phase-1: rpm -ev list-from-Phase-1

rpm -ev `rpm -qa | grep MQSeries | grep "9\.4\.0\-0"` Preparing packages.. MQSeriesFTService-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesFTLogger-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesFTAgent-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesFTTools-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesXRService-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesWeb-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesAMQP-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesFTBase-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesClient-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesJRE-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesJava-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesSDK-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesSamples-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg Zh TW-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg Zh CN-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg ru-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg_pt-9.4.0-0.x86_64 MQSeriesMsg pl-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg ko-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg ja-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg_it-9.4.0-0.x86_64 MQSeriesMsg hu-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg fr-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg es-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg de-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMsg cs-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesMan-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesAMS-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesServer-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesGSKit-9.4.0-0.x86 64 MQSeriesRuntime-9.4.0-0.x86 64

Issue now the following command, and you will see that there are no more filesets for MQ

rpm -qa | grep MQSeries

The absence of MQ filesets means that MQ is no longer installed in the host (location /opt/mqm)

ls -dl /opt/mqm

ls: cannot access '/opt/mqm': No such file or directory

The MQ data under /var/mqm is left intact (it was not touched by the uninstallation). # **Is -dl /var/mqm** drwxrwsr-x 14 mqm mqm 4096 Jun 18 12:46 /var/mqm

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Let's verify the contents of the mqinst.ini file, which keeps track of the installations of MQ in the host.

Notice that the entry Installation1 was NOT deleted. This is working as designed. If you want to delete that entry, then it is necessary to use the MQ command "dltmqinst".

cat /etc/opt/mqm/mqinst.ini
Installation:
 Name=Installation1
 Description=
 Identifier=1
 FilePath=/opt/mqm

+++ end +++