Microsoft Exchange Server 2013 Architecture Overview

Management Framework 3.0, which includes PowerShell v3.0

Remote PowerShell extends PowerShell from servers to client

Remote PowerShell enables administrators to run Exchange

cmdlets on computers without needing to install Exchange

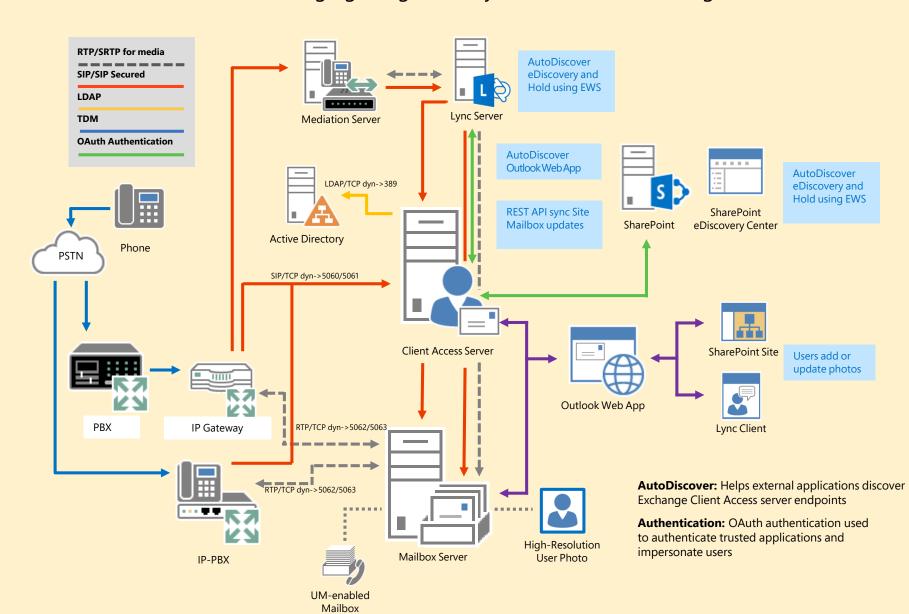
• Exchange Server 2013 takes advantage of Windows

• All Exchange management tools are built on Remote

computers so commands can be executed remotely

and Windows Remote Management

Unified Messaging Integration, Lync and SharePoint Integration



- Houses the logic to proxy or redirect a specific protocol request from a client to the correct Mailbox server
- Is designed to work with TCP affinity—does not require application session affinity
- Provides an SMTP Front End proxy and a UM call router
- Handles all inbound and outbound external SMTP traffic via Front End Transport Service and provides a client endpoint for SMTP Traffic

Client Access Server is a thin, stateless front end machine that provides a unified namespace, authentication, and network security as well as proxy and redirection logic. Transport is provided by the Front End Transport service which provides mailbox locator services.

Mailbox Server: Server that hosts mailbox databases and components previously associated with other Exchange Server 2007/2010 server roles (Unified Messaging, Client Access, Hub Transport) are hosted on the Mailbox server. All processing for a specific mailbox happens on the Mailbox server that hosts the active copy of the user's mailbox. Client connectivity takes place through the Client Access server.

Recoverable Items Folder

"Recover Deleted Items"

These folders are not visible to the user. They

include the Audits sub-folders, which contain

Deletions: Items soft-deleted from Deleted

• **Arbitration:** Used for handling moderated

recipients and distribution group membership

Archive: Used as a secondary mailbox for users

Discovery Search: Used to store results from

location specific, such as a portable computer,

Room: Used with room-based solutions, such

Linked: Used for users in a separate, trusted

• **Equipment:** Used for resources that are not

projector, microphone, or a company car

an In-Place eDiscovery search

as Lvnc Room Systems

Items folder. Accessed through Outlook

mailbox audit and calendar logging entries.

VoIP protocols

Provides users with an alternate storage

Integrating Voice in Your Exchange Organization

With a legacy PBX and VoIP gateway. VoIP gateway

translates TDM protocols to VoIP protocols

translates the TDM protocols to VoIP protocols

With Lync Server. An advanced IP gateway and

Mediation server translate the TDM protocols into

• With an IP enabled PBX (IP PBX). The IP PBX

There are three types of voice integration with

- location to store historical messaging data • Appears below the user's primary mailbox in
- Outlook or Outlook Web App Search across primary and archive mailboxes
- in Outlook and Outlook Web App • Sets archive quota separately from primary

based archive for on-premises mailboxes

- **Versions:** Original and modified copies of items when either In-Place Hold or Single Item • Exchange Online Archiving provides a cloud-Recovery are enabled
- Purges: Hard-deleted items when either In-Place Hold or Single Item Recovery are enabled • **Discovery Holds:** Data that matches the Query-based In-Place Hold on specific items

in a mailbox-based query (keywords) In-Place Hold criteria is saved to this folder • Time-based In-Place Hold retains items for a Types of Mailboxes

- specified duration There are several types of mailboxes in Exchange 2013:
- Litigation Hold, a legacy feature, can also be used to place an indefinite hold on the user's

In-Place eDiscovery

- Enables use of the NEAR operator, allowing you to search for a word or phrase that's in
- proximity to another word or phrase Enhanced management experience and
- search query improvement Preserves the results of the query which
- allows for scoped immutability across
- Federated discovery using the SharePoint
- Using Exchange 2013 only, you can create a
- center or Exchange Management Shell Primary and Archive mailboxes are searched,

Managed Availability

measurements flow into the monitor.

Restarting an application pool

Removing a server from service

Restarting a service

SCOM via an event monitor.

Restarting a server; and

eDiscovery Center allows you to search and preserve data across Exchange, SharePoint,

including items in the Recoverable Items

• **Public Folder:** Used for public folders and public folder content User: User for typical user to send, receive and discovery search using the Exchange admin store messages, appointments, tasks, notes, and documents

Both Exchange 2013 server roles include a new monitoring and high availability feature known as Managed

Probe Engine: Responsible for taking measurements on the server and collecting the data; results of those

Monitor: Contains business logic used by the system to determine whether something is healthy, based on

Responder Engine: Responsible for recovery actions. When something is unhealthy, the first action is to

If recovery actions are unsuccessful, Managed Availability escalates the issue to a human through event log

With the Exchange Server 2013 Management Pack, Managed Availability is also integrated with Microsoft

System Center Operations Manager (SCOM). Any issues that Managed Availability escalates are sent to

Managed Availability includes three main asynchronous components that are constantly doing work.

Administrators remain in control with the ability to configure server-specific and global overrides.

the data that is collected and the patterns that emerge from all collected measurements.

attempt to recover that component via multi-stage recovery actions that can include:

The Managed Store is the name of the new Information Store in Exchange

2013. The Managed Store is written in C# and tightly integrated with the Microsoft Exchange Replication service (MSExchangeRepl.exe). It leverages a worker process model and a static database caching algorithm to provide higher availability through failure isolation and improved resiliency.

Mailbox Server Role Components

Exchange Search is different from full-text indexing available in previous versions of Exchange Server. Exchange Search includes numerous innovations in performance, content indexing, and search. New items are indexed in the transport pipeline or almost immediately after they're created or delivered to the mailbox, providing users with a fast, stable, and more reliable way of searching mailbox data. Content indexing is enabled by default, and there's no initial setup or configuration required.

The underlying content indexing engine has been replaced with Microsoft Search Foundation, which provides performance and functionality improvements and serves as the common underlying content indexing engine in Exchange 2013 and SharePoint 2013.

Escalate

Managed Availability

SharePoint eDiscovery Center

- Perform eDiscovery searches across SharePoint 2013 sites, documents, and file shares; Exchange Server
- 2013 mailboxes; Lync 2013 archived conversations and meetings stored in Exchange 2013
- Place an In-Place Hold on Exchange 2013 mailboxes and SharePoint 2013 sites
- OAuth authentication (service and user impersonation) Uses Exchange 2013 Role Based Access Control
- (RBAC) permissions for eDiscovery searches from SharePoint 2013
- Preview search results • Export eDiscovery search results (from Exchange) to PST file(s) with appropriate metadata stored in

EDRM XML

Lync Archiving

- Archives Lync 2013 conversations and meetings in Exchange 2013 mailboxes
- OAuth authentication
- Archive conversations using EWS
- Compliance management (Hold and eDiscovery)
- Unified Contacts Store, with Lync 2013 contacts stored in Exchange 2013 mailbox
- of Lync content using Exchange 2013

Mailbox Server

Detection

Probe Results

Ionitor Definition

Results

and a management interface that addresses

- Functionally comprised of SharePoint 2013 site membership (owners and members), shared storage through an Exchange 2013 mailbox for email messages and a SharePoint 2013 site for documents,
- provisioning and lifecycle needs AutoDiscover to determine CAS endpoints

Site Mailboxes provisioned and managed from

- · OAuth authentication (service and user
- SharePoint 2013 · Multi-Mailbox Search API to search mailbox content • SharePoint Team Site documents displayed in Site
 - Mailboxes in Outlook 2013 • Inbox messages can be read from SharePoint 2013 • REST (Representation State Transfer) API used to

Mailbox over HTTPS

 SharePoint 2013, Lync 2013 client, and Outlook 2013 use the Outlook Web App Options page to add or

synchronize updates from SharePoint to Site

- update user photos High-resolution user photos stored in Exchange 2013 mailbox; Low-resolution user photos stored in
- User photos accessed by Outlook Web App, Outlook, SharePoint 2013, and Lync 2013

Client Access Protocols

Exchange Web Services

- Exchange Web Services (EWS) provides the functionality to implement client applications that access and manipulate
- Exchange store items
- EWS provides programmatic access to the data stored within Exchange
- EWS clients can integrate Exchange information into
- line-of-business (LOB) applications • SOAP provides the messaging framework for messages sent
- between the client application and the Exchange server • The Managed API provides an easy way to use the Microsoft

Outlook Connectivity

.NET interface with EWS

- In Exchange 2013, RPC/TCP has been removed and all Outlook connections take place via Outlook Anywhere (RPC over HTTP). This provides several benefits:
- Simplifies the protocol stack
- Provides a reliable and stable connectivity model • Maintains the RPC session on the Mailbox server that hosts
- the active copy of the user's mailbox • Eliminates the need for the RPC Client Access Array and its
- namespace

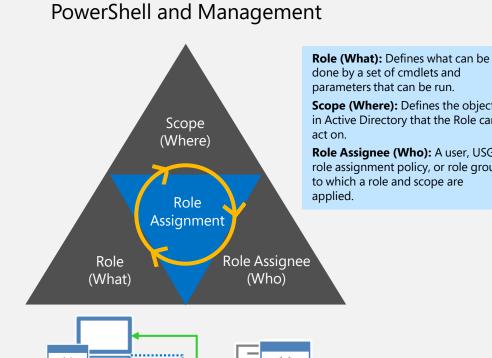
Exchange ActiveSync

- Allow/Block/Quarantine List
- Approved device list (by device type or by user)
- Block an unsupported device
- Quarantine and notify
- Configure multiple mobile device mailbox policies • PIN policies and local device wipe
- · Remote device wipe

Outlook Web App

- Redesigned for Exchange 2013
- New user interface that focuses on content Supports all major Web browsers
- Enhanced contacts and calendaring functionality including
- · New Offline Mode • Three views for Outlook Web App in the browser:
- Phone view (1-column touch UI) Tablet view (2-column touch UI)
- Traditional Desktop view (3-column mouse-based UI)
- Inline reply for Desktop view • Extensibility Improvements Apps, such as the Bing Maps apps for Outlook add features to the overall experience

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Scope (Where): Defines the objects in Active Directory that the Role can Role Assignee (Who): A user, USG, role assignment policy, or role group



management tools

Remote PowerShell

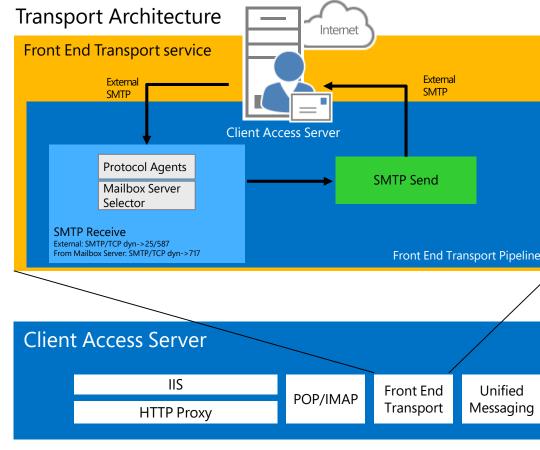
Role Based Access Control

Role Based Access Control (RBAC) enables you to control, at both broad and precise levels, what administrators and users can do. RBAC also enables you to more closely align roles you assign users and administrators with the actual roles they hold within your organization. RBAC is built into all management tools.

Configuration is done using Exchange management tools, with dozens of default roles pre-configured and easily customizable

Three ways of assigning permissions:

- Management Role Groups
- Management Role Assignment Policies
- Direct User Role Assignment



PowerShell

Access

Protocol Agents

Pickup/Replay

Mailbox Transport service

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Principles of Transport High Availability

do not require any manual intervention

Mailbox

Submit Agents

nsport Pipeline

1TP Receive

Front End Transport Service The Front End Transport service on the Client Access server proxies

incoming and outgoing SMTP message traffic. The Front End Transport service quickly selects a single healthy Mailbox server to receive an incoming SMTP message transmission regardless of the number, type, or location of the message recipients.

Message transmissions between the Transport service on different

Mailbox servers occur when the Mailbox servers are in different

delivery groups. A delivery group is a way to generalize mail routing to help improve efficiency and attempt to deliver a message as close to its destination as possible. A delivery group could be:

- A database availability group An Active Directory site
- A connector source server
- A distribution group expansion server

A Send connector on the Mailbox server is specifically configured to

route outbound mail through the Client Access server.

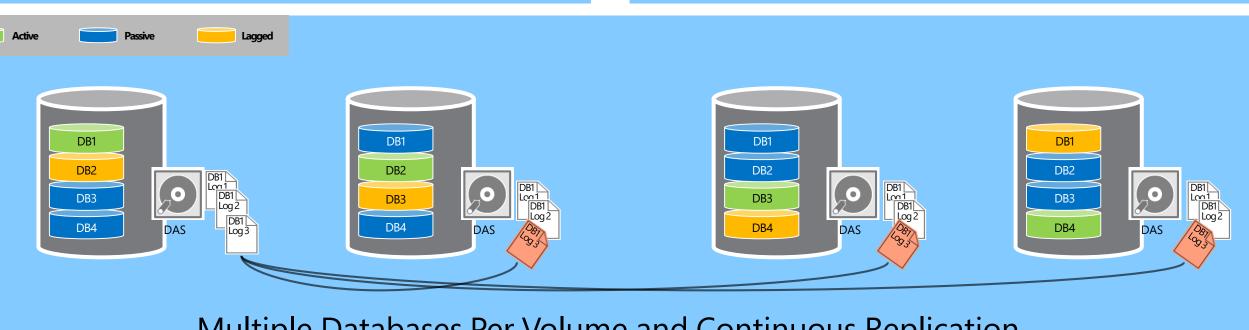
If the Client Access and Mailbox server roles are not co-located, legacy Edge Transport servers bypass the Client Access server and communicate directly with the Transport service on the Mailbox

The Transport Service on the Mailbox server is

responsible for all mail flow inside the organization. It's also where DLP rules, transport rules, journaling

policies, and Information Rights Management policies

Exchange ActiveSync **Exchange Admin Cente** SMTP SBC | SIP **PowerShell** Outlook Outlook Web App **Load Balancer** Load Balancer **Client Access Server Client Access Server Client Access Server Client Access Server**



Multiple Databases Per Volume and Continuous Replication

Multiple Databases Per Volume Exchange 2013 is optimized so that it can use large,

Restart Service Responder

Mailbox Server

multi-terabyte disks in a JBOD configuration more efficiently. With multiple databases per volume, you can have the same size disks storing multiple database copies, including lagged copies. The goal is to drive the distribution of users across the number of volumes that exist, providing you with a symmetric design where during normal operations each DAG member hosts a combination of active, passive, and optional lagged

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Another benefit of using multiple databases per volume is that it reduces the amount of time to restore data protection in the event of a failure that necessitates a reseed (for example, disk failure).

AutoReseed is designed to automatically restore

copies on the same volumes.

database redundancy after a disk failure by using spare disks that have been provisioned on the system. In the event of a disk failure where the disk is no longer available to the operating system, or is no longer writable, a spare volume is allocated by the system, and the affected database copies are reseeded automatically. AutoReseed is integrated with multiple databases per volume and it is capable of restoring redundancy for multiple databases in parallel.

High Availability Message Flow

. A Mailbox server receives a message from any SMTP server that's outside the Transport high availability boundary. The Transport high availability boundary is a database availability group (DAG) or an Active Directory site in non-DAG

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- 2. Before acknowledging receipt of the primary message, the primary Mailbox server initiates a new SMTP session to a shadow Mailbox server within the Transport high availability boundary and makes a shadow copy of the message. In DAG environments, a shadow server in a remote Active Directory site is preferred.
- . The primary server processes the primary message and delivers it to users within the Transport high availability boundary or relays it to the next hop. The primary server queues a discard status for the shadow server that indicates the primary message was successfully delivered, and the primary server moves the primary message into the local
- discard status of the primary message When the shadow server determines the primary server
- successfully delivered the primary message or relayed it to the next hop, the shadow server moves the shadow message into the local Shadow Safety Net.

- Primary Safety Net.
- 4. The shadow server periodically polls the primary server for the
- . The message is retained in the Primary Safety Net and the Shadow Safety Net until the message expires.

Internet Information Services **Anti-Malware:** The Malware Agent is enabled by default in the Transport service on Mailbox servers to RPC Client help protect the organization from malware and other unwanted content. Anti-Spam Agents in Transport: All built-in antispam agents are disabled by default, but they can be enabled by running a PowerShell script. The following anti-spam agents are available in the Transport service on a Mailbox server: Content Filter agent Sender ID agent

other protocols

SMTP Receive

Mailbox

Deliver Agents

Store Driver Deliver

ailbox Transport Delivery

Transport

POP/IMAP

Unified

Messaging

Categorizer

Submitted Messac

Recipient Resolution

Content Conversion

Agent Processing

Routed Messages

Message Packaging

- Sender Filter agent · Recipient Filter agent • Protocol Analysis agent for sender reputation
- Note: The Connection Filtering agent and the Attachment Filter agent aren't available in the Transport service on a Mailbox server.

remote Mailbox servers using SMTP.

Mailbox Transport Service The Mailbox Transport Service on the Mailbox server is the broker between the Transport service and the mailbox databases. The Mailbox Transport service communicates directly with local mailbox databases using RPC, and with the Transport service on local and

The Categorizer processes all email messages and determines what rules and policies need to be applied based on the final recipient of the message.

Transport Agents applied at "Agent Processing Submitted Messages" stage: • RMS Decryption agent: Decrypt Active Directory Rights Management Services (AD RMS) protected messages

Malware agent: Provides built-in anti-malware protection • **Journaling agent:** Generates a journal report when a message matches

Transport Agents applied at "Recipient Resolution" stage:

• Transport Rule agent: Apply transport rules and DLP policies to messages, based on the specified conditions

Fransport Agents applied at "Content Conversion" and "Agent Processing

Journal Report Decryption agent: Decrypt journal reports that contain

RMS-protected messages RMS Encryption agent: Applies Information Rights Management protection to messages flagged by the Transport Rules agent and reencrypts transport-decrypted messages

 Prelicensing agent: Requests an AD RMS Usage License on behalf • **Journaling agent:** The Journaling agent is also applied here so modified messages can't bypass the Journaling agent

Redundant copies of messages processed by Transport are kept in Safety Net for resubmission in the event of a mailbox failover, and Safety Net itself is made redundant on another server Message resubmissions due to queue database loss or mailbox database failover are fully automatic and

Messages in transit are redundantly persisted before their receipt is acknowledged to the sending SMTP

Mailbox Store

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Set-AddressList