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Chapter 1: Introduction

Purpose

This document provides information about how to implement a highly available Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager (POM) system in a single data center. It also describes the behavior of POM when a failure occurs.

Implementation engineers, field technicians, business partners, and customers can use this document to understand high availability and failure scenarios of POM.

Change history

Issue	Date	Summary of changes
Release 4.1	November, 2025	The following sections are updated: • Removed POM Monitor and POM Cache Service information from the entire document. • Added the Impact of the Load Monitor failure topic. • In the Enabling Event SDK-Kafka HA section: - Added a prerequisite. - Added the command for setting the `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` to `false`. • Added the Load Monitor High Availability topic.
Release 4.0.2, Issue 2.1	December, 2022	Updated or removed content related to Cache service for operational database.
Release 4.0.2, Issue 2.0	October, 2022	The following topics are updated for POM 4.0.2: • Deployment of three POM servers in two zones • Deployment of four POM servers in two zones • Enabling Kafka HA Configuration
Release 4.0.1, Issue 1.0	September, 2021	First issue of the document for POM 4.0.1.

Chapter 2: Overview

High Availability overview

POM supports High Availability (HA) in a single data center where all the components are in the same local area network. In an HA configuration, POM can automatically recover from a failure scenario. POM supports HA for agent-less and agent-based configurations.

POM supports HA across the following components:

- ActiveMQ
- Advance List Management
- Agent SDK Service
- Agent Manager
- Campaign Director
- Campaign Manager
- Dashboard Service
- Kafka Server
- Rule Server
- Load Monitor

High Availability prerequisites

Fulfill the following prerequisites for POM High Availability:

- Ensure that the database is accessible from all operational POM servers.

  Note:

  Customers must administer the POM database if they install the schema on a local or an external database.

- Deploy POM in a multi-server deployment model.
- Deploy the application server on a standalone server.

- Deploy Media Processing Platform as a standalone server.
- Ensure that you synchronize the time on all POM servers with the time on the Network Time Protocol (NTP) server.

Chapter 3: High Availability deployment scenarios

Deployment of two POM servers in a single zone

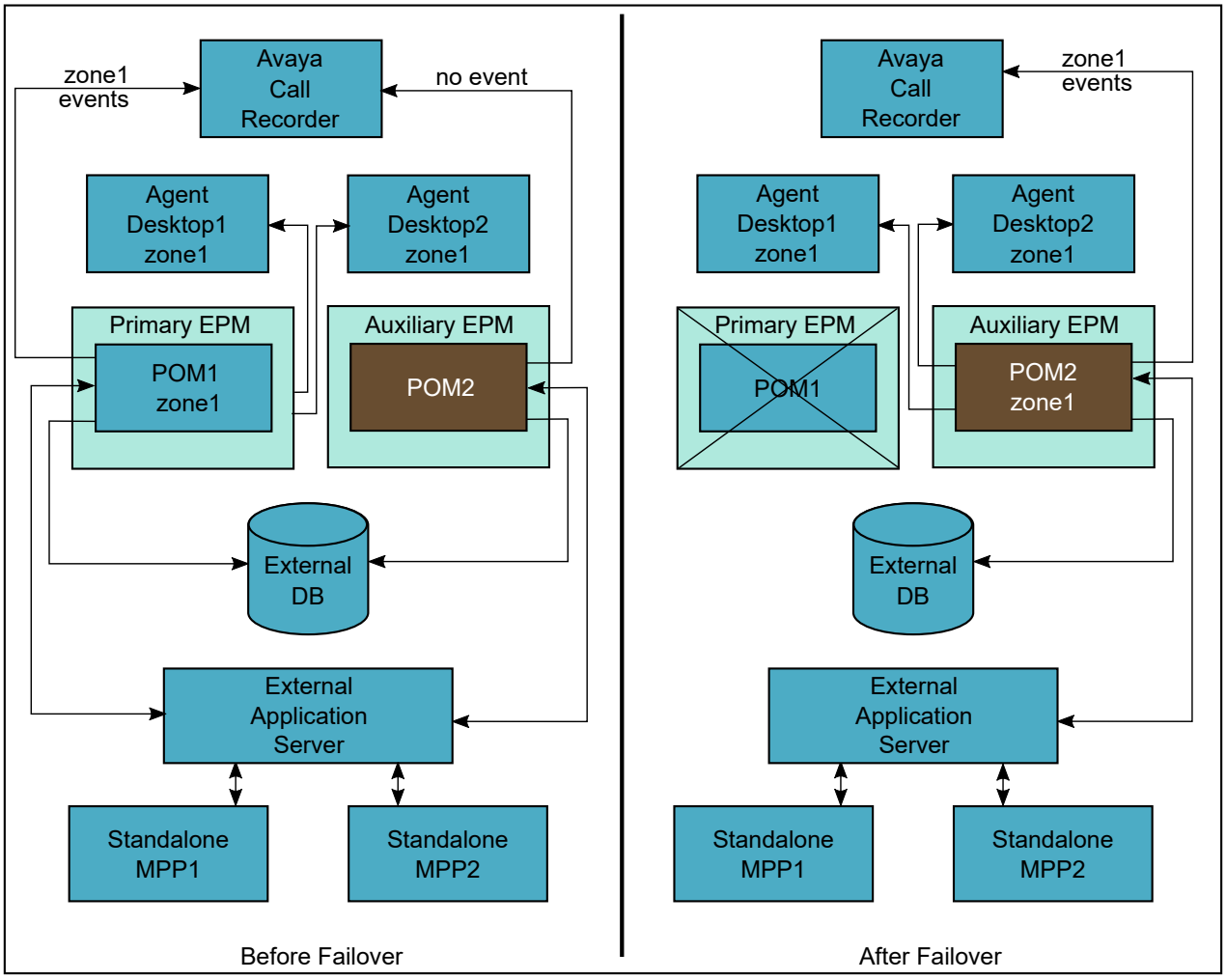
- Configure the following POM servers in a single zone:
  - POM1 (Primary EPM)
  - POM2 (Auxiliary EPM)
- Assign the primary and auxiliary Experience Portal Manager (EPM) servers to zone 1, which is the default zone.
- Connect both servers to the external database and external application server.
- Deploy the Media Processing Platform (MPP) server, application server, and database separately.

Table 1: Status of POM components before failover

Component	POM1	POM2
ActiveMQ	MASTER	DORMANT
Advance List Management	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	MASTER (zone 1)	DORMANT
Campaign Director	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone 1)	DORMANT
Campaign Manager	RUNNING	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	RUNNING	RUNNING
Kafka Server	RUNNING	RUNNING
Rule Server	MASTER	DORMANT
Load Monitor	MASTER	DORMANT

Table 2: Status of POM components after failover

Component	POM1 (Failed server)	POM2
ActiveMQ	STOPPED	MASTER
Advance List Management	STOPPED	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	STOPPED	RUNNING
Agent Manager	STOPPED	MASTER (zone 1)
Campaign Director	STOPPED	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone 1)
Campaign Manager	STOPPED	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	STOPPED	RUNNING
Kafka Server	STOPPED	RUNNING
Rule Server	STOPPED	MASTER
Load Monitor	STOPPED	MASTER



When an active POM server fails, the other server takes 10 minutes to start the services and become fully operational.

After the server failover:

- You cannot perform any administrative tasks from the user interface until the primary EPM is operational.
- If POM is installed on the auxiliary Avaya Experience Portal, use the following URL to access Supervisor Dashboard from the auxiliary Avaya Experience Portal: `https://<auxillary IP>/dashboard/`.
- Any operation related to the job state change from the Supervisor Dashboard does not take effect.
- Web service request generated from the failed server does not take effect. Therefore, to make web service calls, the web service client must use the other available POM server.
- No new dialing is possible.

- Campaign Director and Agent Manager in the POM2 server take over zone 1 of the failed POM1 server.
- ActiveMQ and Rule Engine in the POM2 server is promoted as master.
- Logged-in agents can start operating from the Agent desktop.
- Campaign starts dialing in zone 1.
- Operation from the Supervisor Dashboard takes effect.

Deployment of three POM servers in two zones

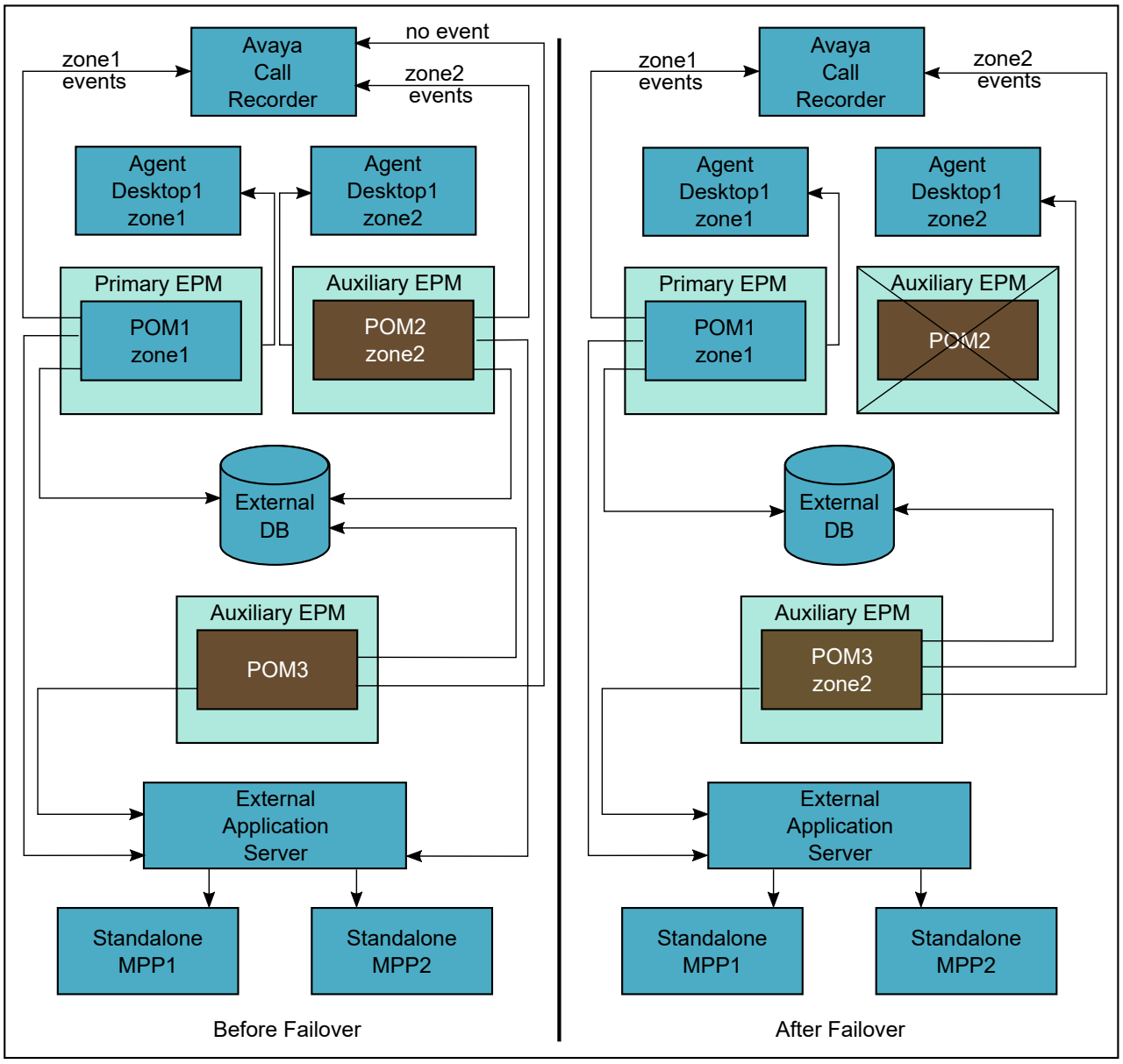
- Configure the following POM servers in two zones:
  - POM1 (Primary EPM)
  - POM2 (Auxiliary EPM)
  - POM3 (Auxiliary EPM)
- Assign all Experience Portal Manager (EPM) servers to the default zone.
- Connect all servers to the external database and the external application server.
- Deploy the Media Processing Platform (MPP) server, the application server, and the database separately.

Table 3: Status of POM components before failover

Component	POM1	POM2	POM3
ActiveMQ	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT
Advance List Management	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	MASTER (zone1)	MASTER (zone2)	DORMANT
Campaign Director	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone1)	DORMANT (zone2)	DORMANT
Campaign Manager	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Kafka Server	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Rule Server	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT
Load Monitor	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT

Table 4: Status of POM components after failover

Component	POM1	POM2 (Failed server)	POM3
ActiveMQ	MASTER	STOPPED	DORMANT
Advance List Management	RUNNING	STOPPED	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	STOPPED	RUNNING
Agent Manager	MASTER (zone1)	STOPPED	MASTER (zone2)
Campaign Director	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone1)	STOPPED	DORMANT (zone2)
Campaign Manager	ACTIVE	STOPPED	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	RUNNING	STOPPED	RUNNING
Kafka Server	RUNNING	STOPPED	RUNNING
Rule Server	MASTER	STOPPED	DORMANT
Load Monitor	MASTER	STOPPED	DORMANT



When an active POM server fails, the other server takes 10 minutes to start the services and become fully operational.

After the server failover, the following occurs:

- Dialing continues for zone 1.
- Dialing is stopped in zone 2.
- Any operation from Supervisor Dashboard for zone 2 does not take effect.

  For example, a manual movement of an agent from one job to another in zone 2.
- The web service request that the failed server generates does not take effect. Therefore, to make web service calls, the web service client must use the other available POM server.

- No new dialing is possible for the contacts in zone 2.
- The agents from zone 2 can perform operations from the Agent desktop.
- Campaign Director and Agent Manager from the POM 3 server take over zone 2 of the failed POM server.
- Logged-in agents of zone 2 can start operating from the Agent desktop.
- The campaign starts dialing in zone 2.
- The operation from Supervisor Dashboard for zone 2 takes effect.

Deployment of four POM servers in two zones

- Configure the following POM servers in two zones:
  - POM1 (Primary EPM)
  - POM2 (Auxiliary EPM)
  - POM3 (Auxiliary EPM)
  - POM4 (Auxiliary EPM)
- Assign all Experience Portal Manager (EPM) servers to the default zone.
- Connect all servers to the external database and the external application server.
- Deploy the Media Processing Platform (MPP) server, the application server, and the database separately.

Table 5: Status of POM components before failover

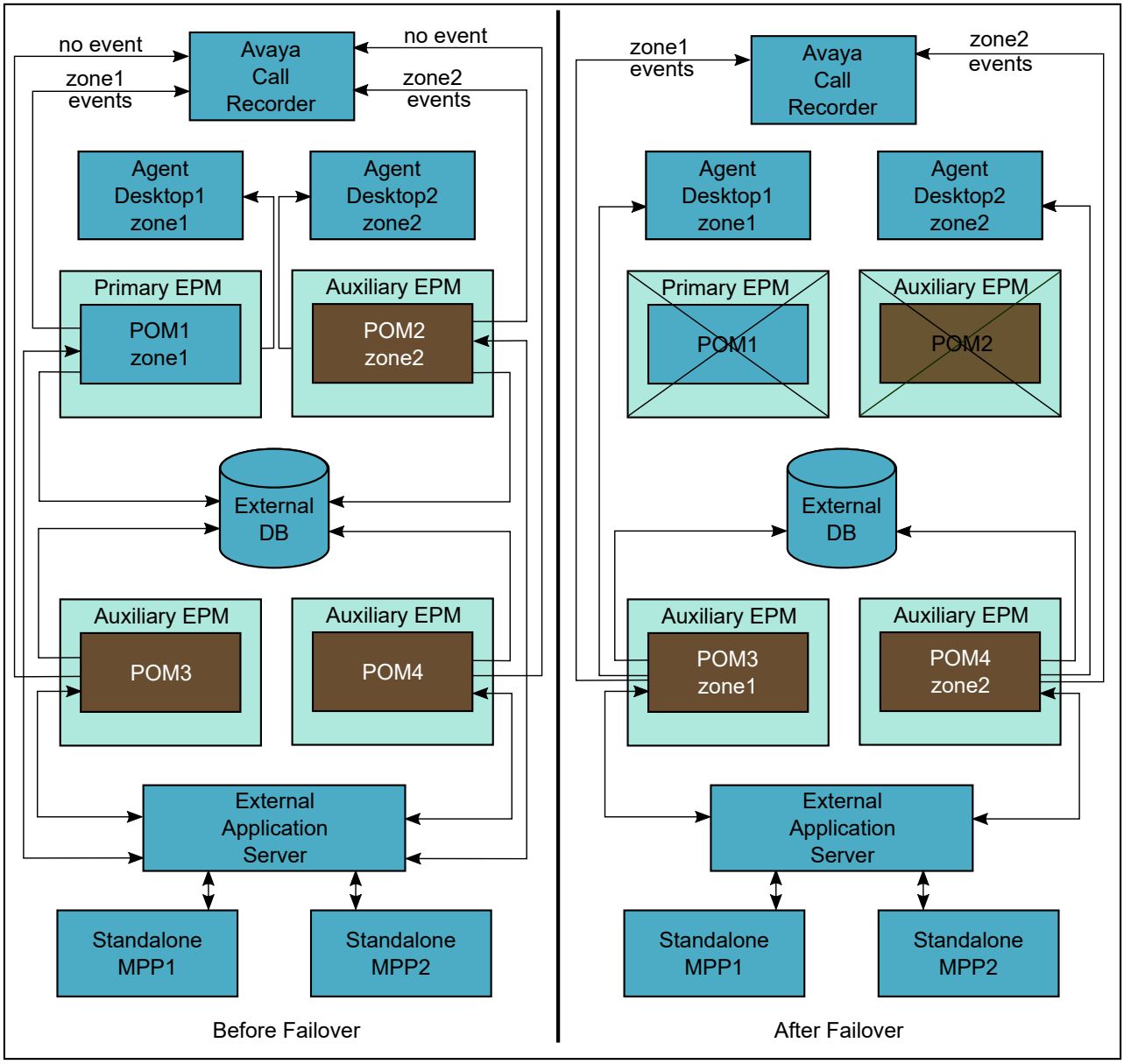
Component	POM1	POM2	POM3	POM4
ActiveMQ	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT	DORMANT
Advance List Management	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	MASTER (zone 1)	MASTER (zone 2)	DORMANT	DORMANT
Campaign Director	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone 1)	DORMANT (zone 2)	DORMANT	DORMANT
Campaign Manager	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING

Table continues…

Component	POM1	POM2	POM3	POM4
Kafka Server	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING	RUNNING
Rule Server	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT	DORMANT
Load Monitor	MASTER	DORMANT	DORMANT	DORMANT

Table 6: Status of POM components after failover

Component	POM1 (Failed server)	POM2 (Failed server)	POM3	POM4
ActiveMQ	STOPPED	STOPPED	MASTER	DORMANT
Advance List Management	STOPPED	STOPPED	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	STOPPED	STOPPED	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	STOPPED	STOPPED	MASTER (zone1)	MASTER (zone2)
Campaign Director	STOPPED	STOPPED	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone1)	DORMANT (zone2)
Campaign Manager	STOPPED	STOPPED	RUNNING	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	STOPPED	STOPPED	RUNNING	RUNNING
Kafka Server	STOPPED	STOPPED	RUNNING	RUNNING
Rule Server	STOPPED	STOPPED	MASTER	DORMANT
Load Monitor	STOPPED	STOPPED	MASTER	DORMANT



When an active POM server fails, the other server takes 10 minutes to start the services and become fully operational.

The Campaign Director allocates the zones to the least busy server. Therefore, the zone assignment to the POM server depends on the point of failure. Both zones are assigned to separate POM servers.

After the server failover, the following occurs:

- You cannot perform any administrative tasks on the user interface.
- If POM installs on the auxiliary Avaya Experience Portal, use the following URL to access Supervisor Dashboard:

`https://<auxillary IP>/dashboard/`

Important:

To access this URL, use Microsoft Internet Explorer 11 and later versions. You must enter the username and password twice.

- Any operation related to the job state change from Supervisor Dashboard does not take effect.
- The web service request that the failed server generates does not take effect. Therefore, to make web service calls, the web service client must use the other available POM server.
- No new dialing is possible for the contacts in zone1.
- The Campaign Director and the Agent Manager in the POM3 server take over zone 1 of the failed POM1 server.
- The Campaign Director and the Agent Manager in the POM4 server take over zone 2 of the failed POM2 server.
- The ActiveMQ and the Rule Engine from the POM3 server are promoted as master.

  The auxiliary server to be promoted as a master depends on your algorithm.
- The logged-in agents of zone 1 and zone 2 can start operating from the Agent desktop.
- The campaign starts dialing in zone 1 and zone 2.
- The operations from Supervisor Dashboard for zone 1 and zone 2 take effect.

Deployment of two POM servers in a single zone for workspaces

- Configure the following POM servers in a single zone:
  - POM1 (Primary EPM)
  - POM2 (Auxiliary EPM)

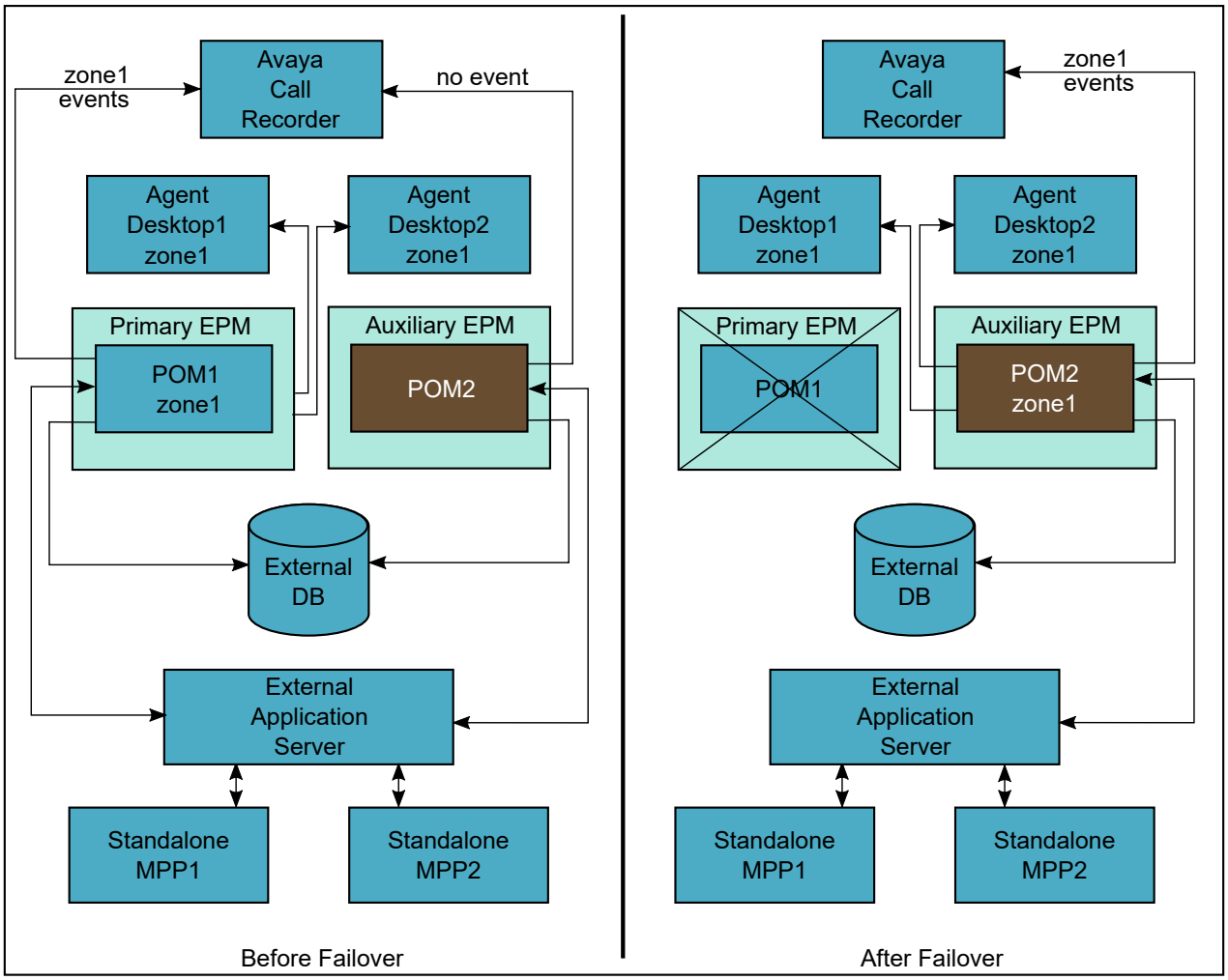
  For more information about configuring POM server for workspaces, see *Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager Integration*.
- Assign the primary and auxiliary Experience Portal Manager (EPM) servers to zone 1, which is the default zone.
- Connect both servers to the external database and external application server.
- Deploy the Media Processing Platform (MPP) server, application server, and database separately.

Table 7: Status of POM components before failover

Component	POM1	POM2
ActiveMQ	MASTER	DORMANT
Advance List Management	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	MASTER (zone 1)	DORMANT
Campaign Director	MASTER (Common Campaign Director, zone 1)	DORMANT
Campaign Manager	RUNNING	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	RUNNING	RUNNING
Kafka Server	RUNNING	RUNNING
Rule Server	RUNNING	RUNNING
Load Monitor	MASTER	DORMANT

Table 8: Status of POM components after failover

Component	POM1 (Failed server)	POM2
ActiveMQ	STOPPED	MASTER
Advance List Management	STOPPED	RUNNING
Agent SDK Service	RUNNING	RUNNING
Agent Manager	STOPPED	MASTER (zone 1)
Campaign Director	STOPPED	MASTER
Campaign Manager	STOPPED	RUNNING
Dashboard Service	STOPPED	RUNNING
Kafka Server	STOPPED	RUNNING
Rule Server	STOPPED	RUNNING
Load Monitor	STOPPED	MASTER



When an active POM server fails, the other server takes ten minutes to start the services and become fully operational.

After the server failover:

- You cannot perform any administrative tasks from the user interface until the primary EPM is operational.
- TCP Socket connection of the service with the Agent Manager breaks. Agent Manager logs out all the agents. Agents who are busy with the customer on telephone get logged out after the call is finished.
- All the calls with agent are disposed with Desktop Error completion code.
- All in-progress calls which are answered are marked as nuisance.
- JavaScript SDK Library receives socket disconnect and notifies same to the Widget.
- JavaScript SDK library tries to establish connection with secondary POMAgentSDKService IP.

- After successful connection with POMAgentSDKService, agent logs in again and starts working on campaigns.

Chapter 4: Component level High Availability

Campaign Director High Availability

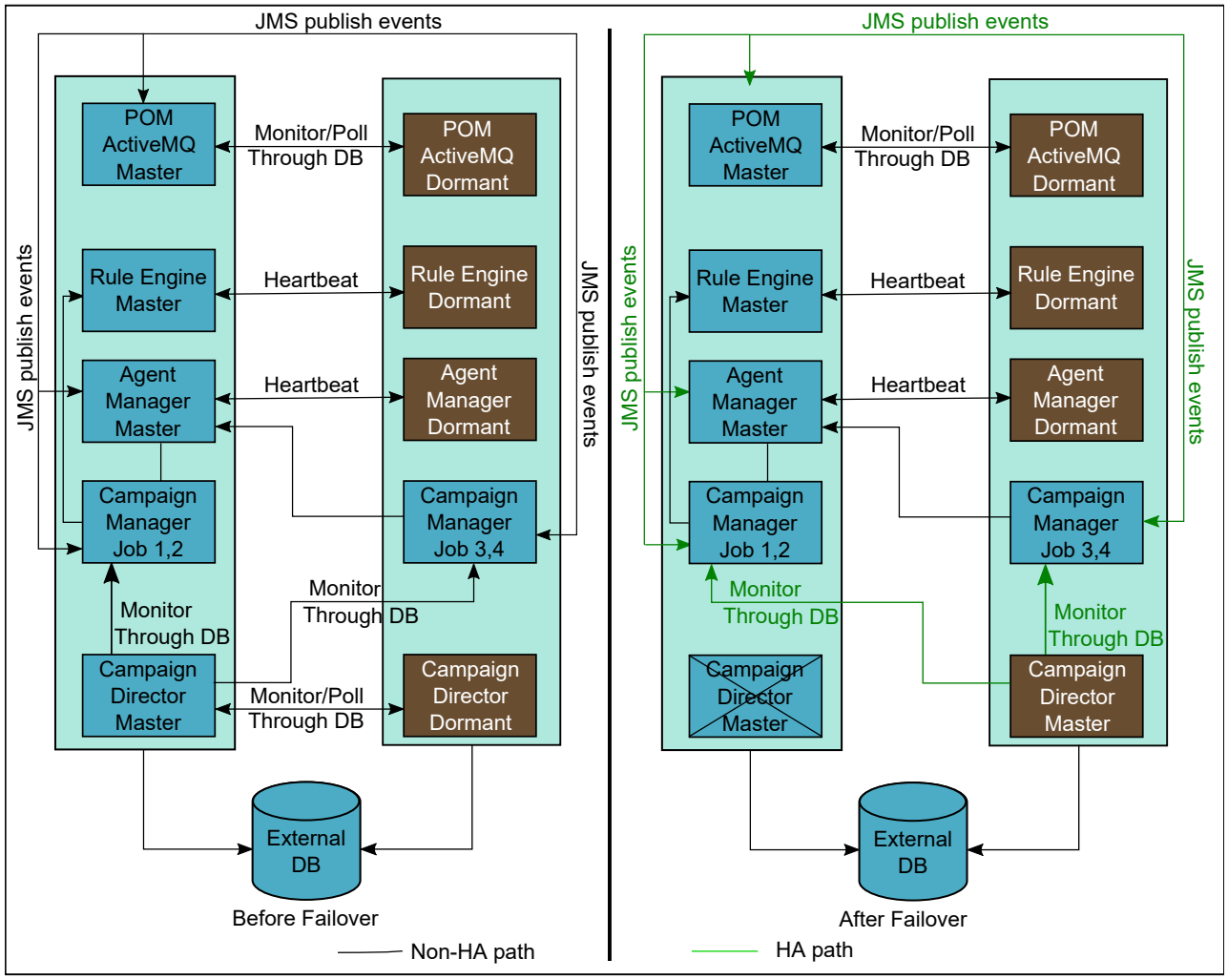
In a multi-server deployment of POM, the Campaign Director service runs in the master or dormant mode within a single data center.

Campaign Director consists of the following components:

Component	Description
Common Campaign Director	Common Campaign Director manages all common tasks across zones, such as scheduling, filtering campaign data, creating historical data, and exporting campaign data. The master Campaign Director is the Common Campaign Director.
Zone Director	Each zone has a Zone Director within a Campaign Director. A single Campaign Director can handle multiple zones. You can assign multiple zones to a Campaign Director.

If the master Campaign Director process fails gracefully, the other Campaign Director immediately becomes master and all operations, except purging, are resumed. If the master Campaign Director process fails ungracefully, another Campaign Director becomes the master after 2 minutes and 20 seconds of the failover time.

For information about NFS mounting requirement to support contact-list import for HA, see *Implementing Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager*.



Impact of the Common Campaign Director failure

Function	Impact
Job state	The jobs that are started from the user interface remain in the queued state. The campaign does not get completed even when the system dials all contacts or the finish criteria is met. Such campaigns finish when the Campaign Director is functional again.
Pausing and resuming campaigns based on user action	The job state remains unchanged until the dormant Campaign Director takes over.
Triggering campaigns and data imports at scheduled date and time	The scheduled imports and campaign schedules do not work for the time for which the connection is unavailable.
Export	The export function stops. When the Campaign Director is functional again, the export function resumes from where it stopped.

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Function	Impact
Purging	The purging function stops during the purge operation if the Campaign Director becomes non-functional. When the Campaign Director is functional again, the purging does not resume. The purging starts at the next scheduled date and time.
Campaign Post Processing	The campaign post processing function stops. When the Campaign Director becomes functional again, the campaign post processing function resumes from where it stopped. The completion code trend report might show stale data for the time for which the Campaign Director is non-functional.
Terminating campaigns if the finish criteria specified are met	Campaign Director does not perform periodic checks for the finish criteria, and the campaign does not stop dialing until the dormant Campaign Director takes over the failed server.
Trend calculation	Trend calculation, Campaign progress chart, and multiple campaign summary on Supervisor Dashboard show stale data for the time for which the Campaign Director is non-functional.
Report	The completion code trend report might show stale data for the time for which the Campaign Director is non-functional.
Nuisance rate and alarm generation	Nuisance call rate calculation and alarm generation stop until the Campaign Director is functional again.
Job allocation	When the master Campaign Director and Campaign Manager simultaneously fail, then the job handled by that Campaign Manager is not allocated to any other Campaign Manager until the Campaign Director is functional again.

Impact of the Zone Director failure

Function	Impact
Data import	The running import jobs resume after any other Zone Director process inside the Campaign Director takes over. However. the status on the user interface reflects as **Running**. The import function stops. When the Campaign Director is functional again, the import function resumes from where it stopped.

Reconfiguration of a zone

When the failed Campaign Director becomes operational again, it acts as the dormant server. However, it takes back the zone responsibility allocated to it before the failover.

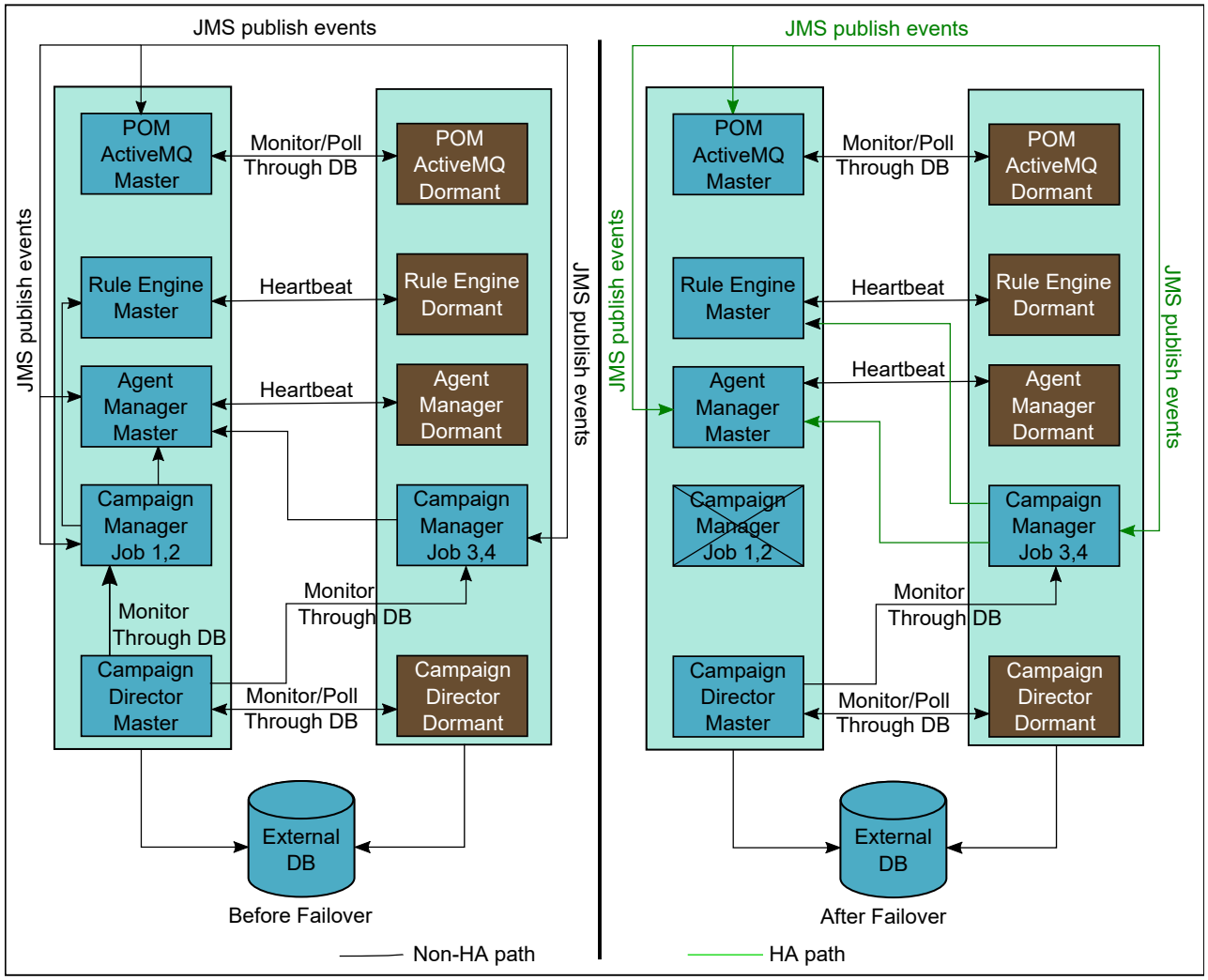
Campaign Manager High Availability

Campaign Manager is the component that manages outbound attempts. The Campaign Manager service operates in the running mode within a single data center. If the running Campaign

Manager process fails gracefully, the other Campaign Managers immediately take over the jobs. If the running Campaign Manager process fails ungracefully, another Campaign Manager takes over the jobs after 5 minutes from the time when the running Campaign Manager process fails.

Note:

For the auxiliary Campaign Manager to take over the failed server, the master Campaign Director must be operational. Otherwise, the master Campaign Director does not allocate the jobs handled by the failed Campaign Manager to any other server.



The following activities occur during 5 minutes failover time:

- On the POM Manager page of the failed server displays the service state as **Running**, but the Campaign Manager is not operational.
- Dialing is stopped for jobs that are handled by the failed Campaign Manager.
- Campaign Director allocates the responsibilities of the failed Campaign Manager to other Campaign Managers based on the algorithm. For more information. see *Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager Overview and Specification*.

Note:

If the Campaign Manager process stops ungracefully and the campaigns are running, some contacts might be stuck and the campaign remains in the running state indefinitely without making any new attempts. You must manually stop such campaigns.

When Campaign Manager takes over the jobs of the failed servers, it starts filtering the contacts for the jobs. However, it starts dialing from where the failed Campaign Manager stopped. When the failed Campaign Manager becomes operational again, it does not manage the previously assigned jobs.

Agent Manager High Availability

The Agent Manager service runs in the any of the following modes within a single data center.

- If the Agent Manager service is handling a zone, it runs in the master mode.
- If the Agent Manager service is not handling a zone, it runs in the dormant mode..

An Agent Manager can manage multiple zones. You can deploy the Agent Manager in the active-active mode, where each Agent Manager manages one or more unique zones. In a single zone, you can deploy Agent Manager in the active-passive mode, where one Agent Manager manages the zone and the other Agent Manager remains in the dormant mode.

Agent Manager failover

When an Agent Manager failure occurs, the dormant Agent Manager takes over all zones of the failed server.

The following is the sequence of events that occurs during the failure of an Agent Manager handling a default zone and zone 1:

- All logged in agents in the failed server zone receive the `POMNotAvailable` notification.
- Agent handling the existing calls continue. However, they cannot operate from the desktop.
- No new dialing is possible for the contacts in the failed server zone.
- All in-progress calls in the failed server zone that are answered with live voice are marked as nuisance calls.

  Note:

  If the Agent Manager fails when the Call Queuing feature is enabled and the calls are queued for an agent to get free, no queued calls are assigned to the agent after the failover.
- The run-time changes that you make to the jobs of the failed server zone from Supervisor Dashboard are not saved.
- Agent movement of the failed server zone from Supervisor Dashboard does not take effect.
- The dormant Agent Manager takes over the zone of the failed servers.

- All logged in agents in the failover server zones receive the `POMAvailable` notification.
- Disconnected calls during the failover time are communicated to the agent desktop, and the agents handling the calls move to the wrap-up state.
- The logged in agent can start operating from the agent desktop.
- Campaign starts dialing in the zones of the failover servers.
- The run-time changes that you make to the jobs of the failed server zone from Supervisor Dashboard are saved.
- Agent movement of the failed server zone from Supervisor Dashboard takes effect.
- The failover server starts sending failover server zones events to ACR.

Based on the desktop implementation, Agent Desktop might handle the `POMavailable` and `POMnotavailable` messages differently.

After the dormant Agent Manager becomes master, it checks the agent state with the desktop. If the Agent Manager finds a state mismatch, then the call gets updated with the Desktop Error completion code. The system forcefully logs out the agents. After getting logged out, the agents need to login again.

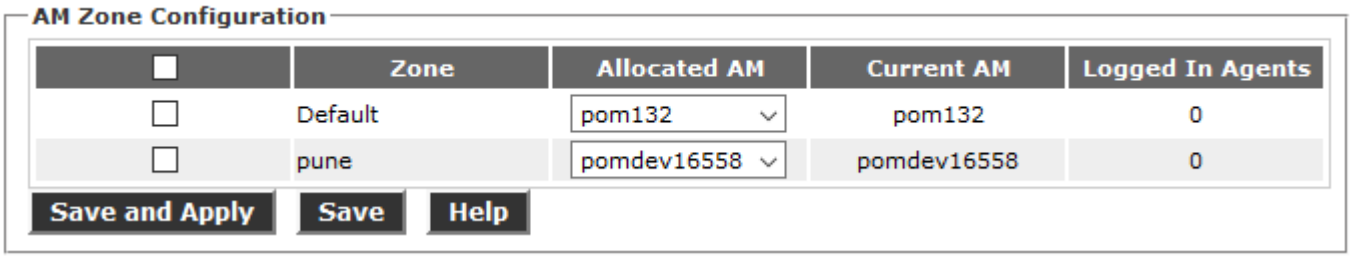
If the Agent Manager fails to receive the Disconnect event from the platform, the agent cannot perform any operation even after the `POMavailable` notification. Therefore, the agent must login again. If the agent is handling a call, the call gets updated with the Desktop Error completion code.

Reconfiguration of zone

When the failed Agent Manager becomes operational again, it acts as a dormant server. The administrator can assign the zone responsibility back to the original server from the Manage Zone Configuration page.

Note:

- When the administrator clicks **Save** for the Agent Manager zone configuration after changing the allocated server of a zone, the changes are only saved in the database while the zone ownership remains unchanged.
- When the administrator clicks **Save and Apply** for the Agent Manager zone configuration after changing the allocated server of a zone, the system displays a warning message `AM Zone reset will force log out all agents. Would you like to continue?` If administrator selects **Yes**, then the current Agent Manager forcefully logs out all the agents and releases the zone ownership. The allocated Agent Manager server takes the ownership of the zone.



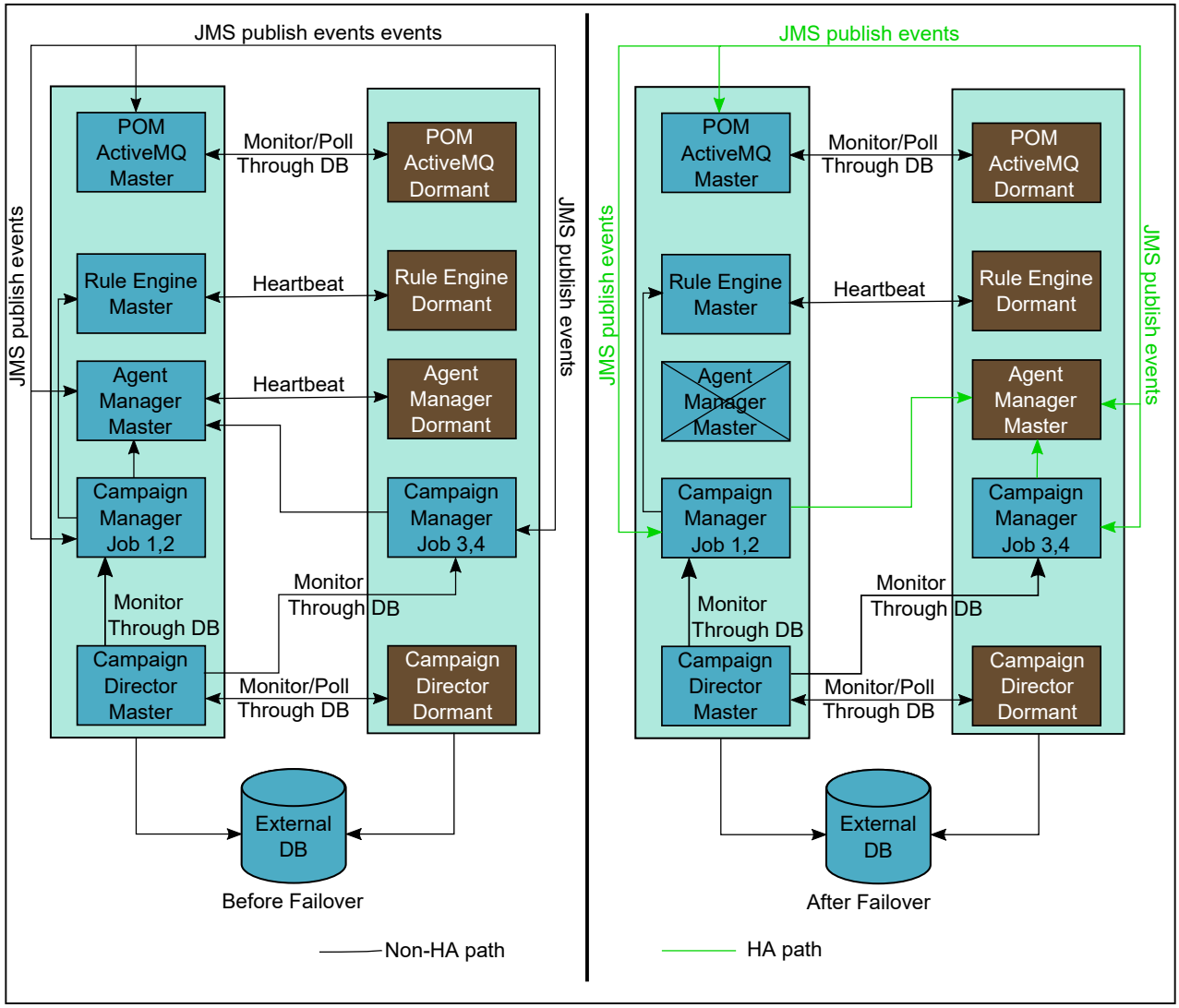
Heartbeat connection for Agent Manager

Agent Manager maintains the heartbeat connection with the dormant server to monitor its connection. When the heartbeat connection fails, all Agent Manager servers update the database

with their respective status to avoid multiple masters during a network failure. If the master Agent Manager process fails, the dormant becomes the master after 40 seconds of failover time.

Note:

- The server failover time is 40 seconds. This time does not include the zone initialization time. The zone initialization time depends on the number of logged in agents and the number of jobs running.
- During the Agent Manager failover, the database CPU rises by 30-40% and drops to normal after completion of the Agent Manager failover.



The failover duration of Agent Manager is considered as **Total HA time** and is included in the agent time for each agent. For more information on agent time summary report, see *Using Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager Reports*. You can configure the Agent Desktop heartbeat ports from the Global Configuration page. For more information, see *Administering* .

Desktop configuration for Agent Manager High Availability

For Agent Manager High Availability:

- The desktop must have a provision for multiple Agent Manager IP addresses.
- The desktop must be able to access the auxiliary agent script URL when the primary agent script URL is not accessible.

Note:

POM sends the primary and auxiliary agent script URLs to the desktop.

Application server load balancing behavior

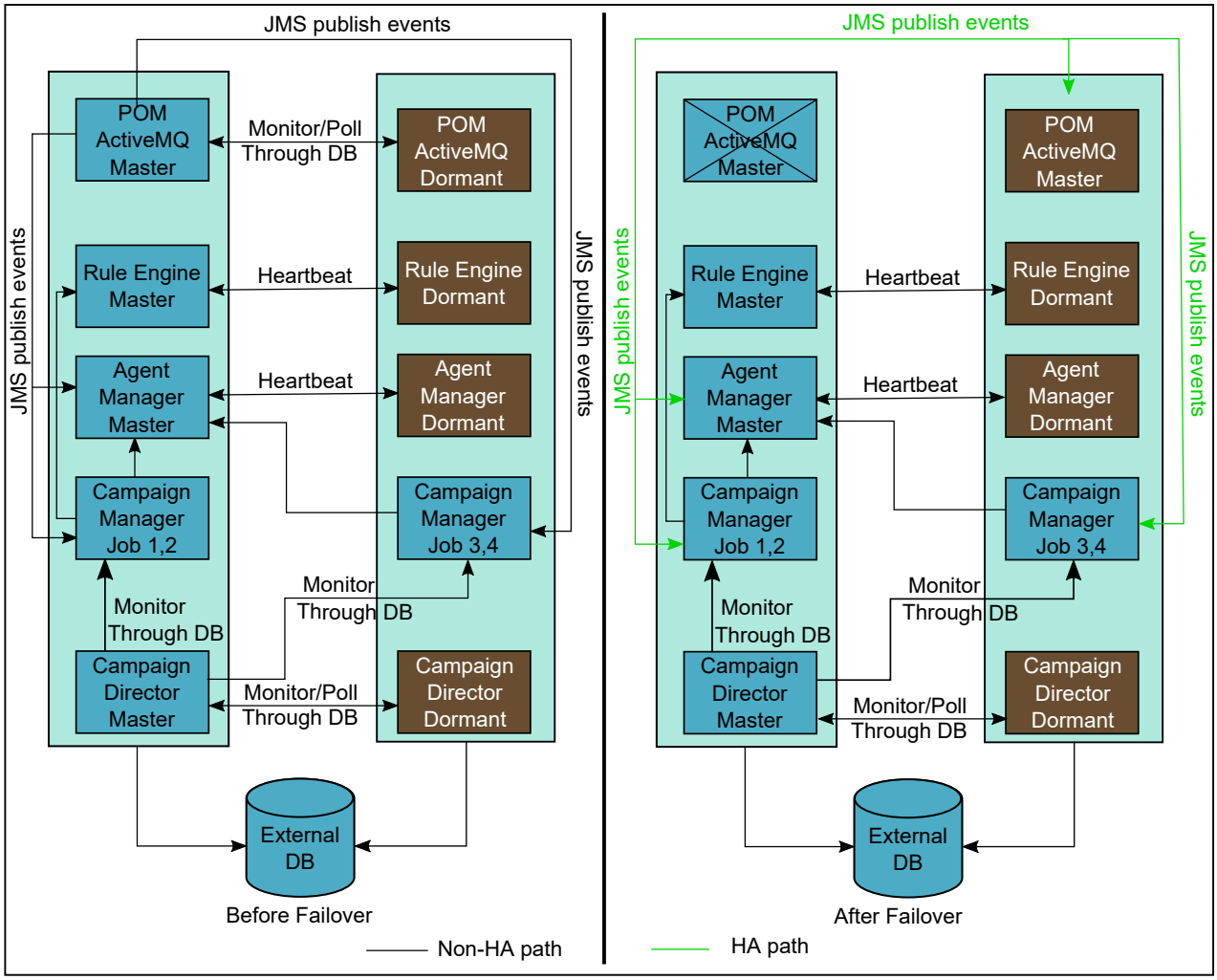
If the application server is configured in load balancing, the nailing session of the agent is distributed across two application servers. When the dormant Agent Manager becomes master after the failover, the new master Agent Manager waits for the AppServerWaitTimeOut period in which the connection is established between the Agent Manager and both application servers. This AppServerWaitTimeOut period is configurable in the POM database using *pim_config table* and the default time is 30 seconds.

If both application servers get connected within the AppServerWaitTimeOut period, the Agent Manager loads the nailing sessions of all agents and all agents work normally. If the Agent Manager is unable to load information for the nailing session from any of the application servers within AppServerWaitTimeOut period, such agents get Unnailed and jobdetached. Agent Manager assigns these agents again as per the requirement of the jobs.

ActiveMQ High Availability

In a multi-server deployment, there is only one master ActiveMQ. If the master ActiveMQ fails, the dormant ActiveMQ takes over the failed server and ensures no functional impact.

If the master ActiveMQ process fails ungracefully, another ActiveMQ becomes master after 2 minutes and 20 seconds of the failover time.

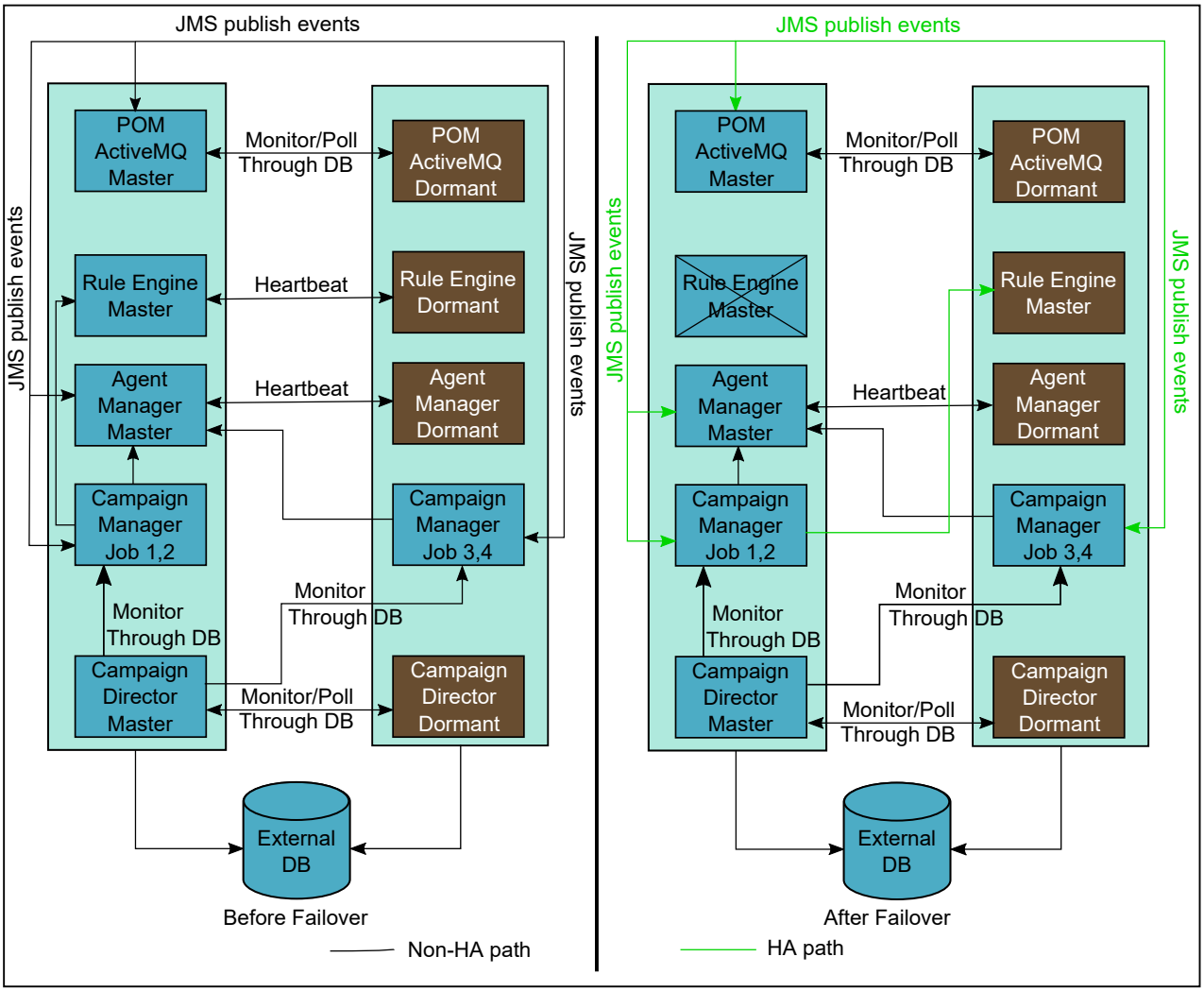


During the failover time of 2 minutes and 20 seconds, Java Message Service (JMS) publish events stop working.

Rule Engine High Availability

Rule Engine works either in the master or in the dormant mode. In a multi-server deployment, there is only one master Rule Engine that executes all rules. Each Campaign Manager communicates with the master Rule Engine over a socket.

The following diagram illustrates a high-level overview of the communication between Campaign Manager and Rule Engine:



Rule Engine maintains a heartbeat connection with the other server to monitor its connection. When the heartbeat connection fails, the master and dormant servers update the database with their respective status to avoid multiple masters during a network failure. If the master Rule Engine process fails gracefully, the dormant becomes master immediately. However, for an ungraceful process shutdown, there is a failover time of 45 seconds. After the failover, Campaign Manager gets broken socket connection and polls the database to identify and connect to the new master server for communications.

Rule Engine heartbeat ports can be configured from the Global Configuration page. For more information, see *Administering Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager*.

Note:

- Dialing stops during the Rule Engine failover time.
- Ignore the notification for the Rule Engine restart.

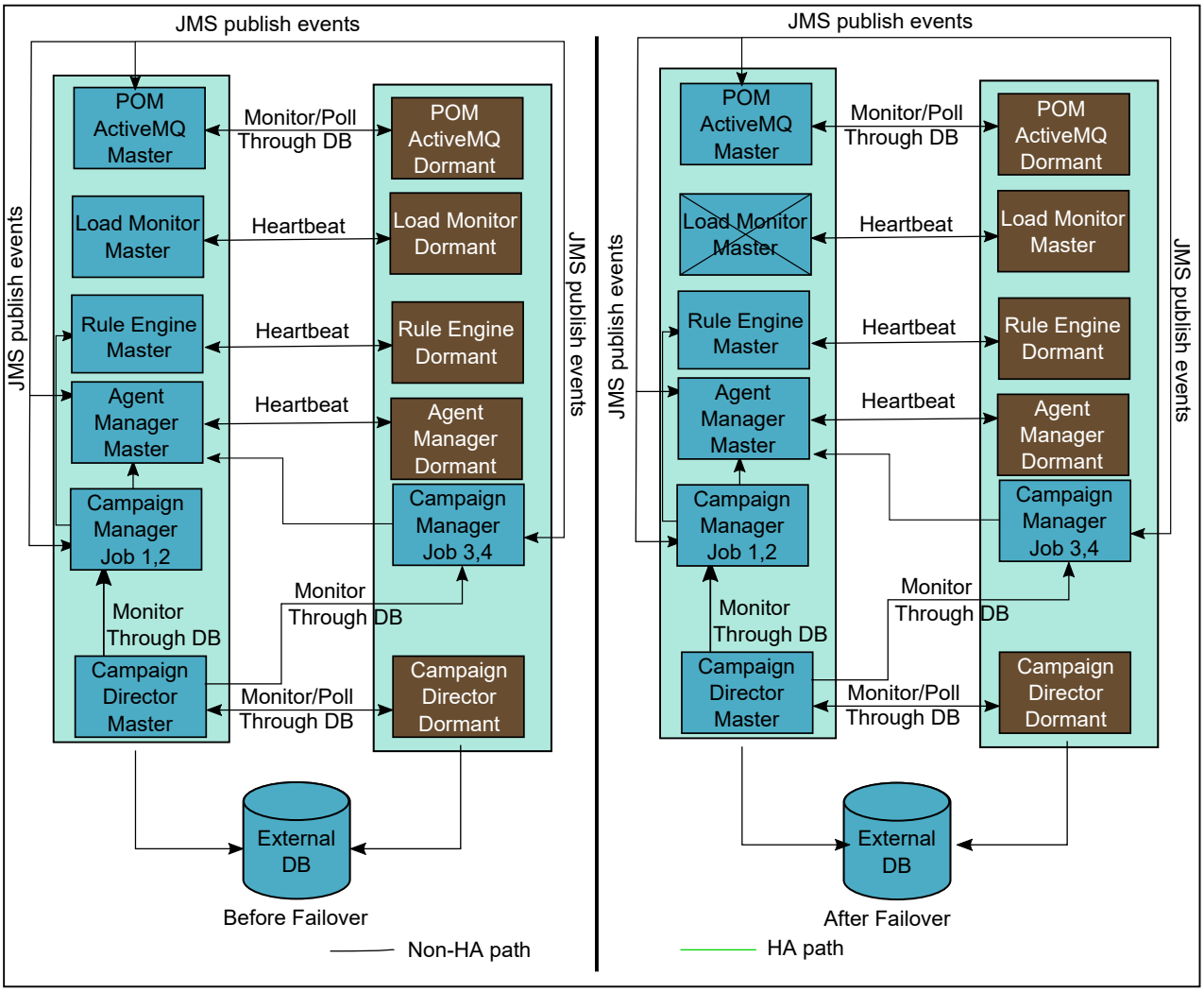
Load Monitor High Availability

Load Monitor operates in master or dormant mode. In a multi-server deployment, a single master Load Monitor queries the POM system load.

To ensure high availability, Load Monitor maintains a heartbeat connection with the other server. This connection is used to monitor server status. If the heartbeat connection fails, both the master and dormant servers update the database with their respective statuses. This mechanism prevents the occurrence of multiple masters during a network failure.

If the master Load Monitor process fails, the dormant server transitions to master mode instantly. However, if there is an abrupt process shutdown, there is a failover time of 45 seconds.

The following diagram provides a high-level overview of Load Monitor high availability:



Agent states before and after failover

Table 9: Agent call state before and after failover

Agent Call State before failover	Agent Call State after failover		
	Customer call not disconnected during failover		Customer call disconnected during failover
	Agent Nail State: Nailed	Agent Nail State: UnNailed	Agent Nail State: Nailed
Idle	Idle	Idle	Idle
Talking	Talking	Wrapup	Wrapup
Wrapup	Wrapup	Wrapup	Wrapup
Held	Held	Wrapup	Wrapup
Consult	Consult	Wrapup (Owner) Idle (Passive)	Wrapup (Owner) Idle (Passive)
ConferenceOwner	ConferenceOwner	Wrapup	Wrapup
ConferencePassive	ConferencePassive	Idle	Preview
Preview	Preview	Idle	Preview
Dialing	Talking Wrapup	Wrapup	Wrapup
Callback	Callback	Callback	Callback
Pending call	Idle	Idle	Idle

Agents can have any of the following job states during the call states mentioned in the table:

- Job Attached
- Job End
- Pending Inbound
- Job Manual Inbound
- Pending Manual Job Movement

If an agent is not assigned to any job, the agent call state remains unchanged after the failover.

Chapter 5: Event SDK High Availability

Kafka HA

Zookeeper Ensemble

Apache Kafka uses ZooKeeper to store cluster metadata. ZooKeeper is a distributed, open-source coordination service for distributed applications. Zookeeper keeps track of the status of the Kafka cluster nodes and it also keeps track of Kafka topics, partitions, etc.

ZooKeeper service to be active, there must be a majority of non-failing machines that can communicate with each other. To create a deployment that can tolerate the failure of F machines, you should count on deploying 2xF+1machines.

For example, if one zookeeper died, another zookeeper will jump in. This behavior also applies to Kafka brokers, in this case, the system is fault-tolerant

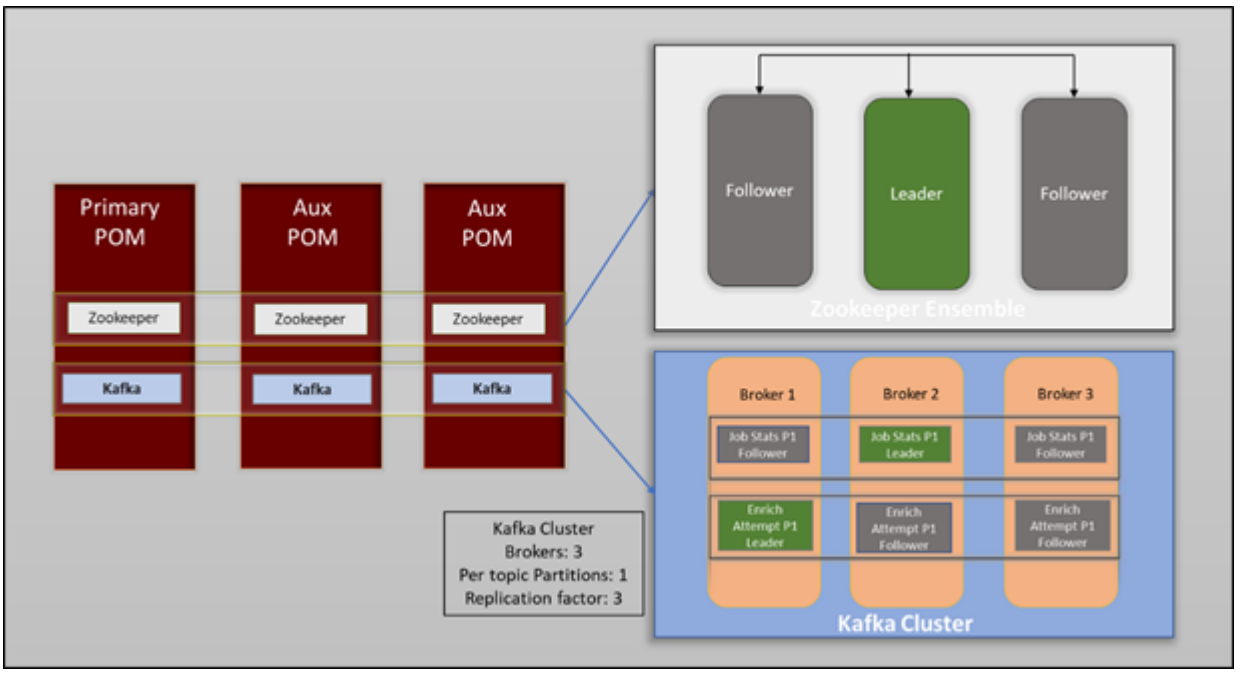
Thus, a deployment that consists of three machines can handle one failure, and a deployment of five machines can handle two failures.

Deployment of six machines can only handle two failures since three machines is not a majority. For this reason, ZooKeeper deployments are usually made up of an odd number of machines.

Note:

POM HA deployment also supports Kafka HA deployment.

The proposed architecture shows ZooKeeper and Kafka deployment on three POM instances (without external Kafka-Zookeeper):



Kafka Broker

Partitioning

POM supports one partition per topic.

Replicas

The list of nodes that replicate the log for this partition regardless of whether they are the leader or even if they are currently alive.

The minimum replication factor recommended for each topic is three to support HA. Hence, we require a Kafka cluster with three nodes as depicted in the diagram, see Zookeeper Ensemble on page 34.

The replication factor has to be less than or equal to the total broker count.

ISR

Set of "in-sync" replicas. This is the subset of the replicas list that is currently alive and caught-up to the leader.

Producer

No impact of Primary producer going down and dormant becoming master.

The producer reads configuration properties from PIM_Kafka_Producer_Config in POM database.

Producer configuration properties

```
retries                 2
value.serializer        org.apache.kafka.common.serialization.StringSerializer
request.timeout.ms      120000
acks                    all
```

```
max.block.ms            50000
retry.backoff.ms        10000
key.serializer          org.apache.kafka.common.serialization.StringSerializer
```

Enriched Attempt Event Aggregator

The Stream Processor or aggregator service starts on all configured POM machines along with the Dashboard service.

However, due to the same groupID and single partition, only one stream processor processes the events.

External Kafka and ZooKeeper

The ZooKeeper is primarily responsible for managing a Kafka cluster. Three ZooKeeper servers are the minimum recommended size for an ensemble. To support HA, the minimum replication factor recommended for each topic is three.

If a customer has one primary and one auxiliary POM server in the setup, the setup effectively has two pomkafka servers. Since three servers are the minimum requirement for an ensemble, the customer can introduce a third node using an external Kafka server. An external Kafka server means a server that is operational on a machine where the customer does not install POM.

For external Kafka and ZooKeeper installations, you must manually configure the ZooKeeper Ensemble and the Kafka cluster.

Note:

- POM supports only one external Kafka server.
- The required version of Kafka server is 2.13.-3.2.0.

Enabling Kafka HA Configuration

Kafka and Zookeeper co-residing with POM

The Zookeeper and Kafka gets installed on each POM server as part of POM installation under directory $POM_HOME/kafka_server

The post-install script enableKafkaHA.sh at $POM_HOME/bin location must be executed to update Kafka and Zookeeper config files in case of Co-residing setup. The primary POM server will sync the configuration required for HA to auxiliary POM servers.

In case of event data exists on the system, we recommend referring to the Zookeeper/Kafka documentation for detailed steps on the backup of the Kafka config and event data.

Follow the steps to backup the existing event data:

Enabling Event SDK-Kafka HA

Before you begin

- Ensure that the number of Kafka servers for high availability are 3.
- Ensure to manually set to the `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` flag value during switchover.

Note:

In a multi-POM deployment with geo-redundancy, after Kafka High Availability (HA) is enabled on the primary site which is Data center 1 (DC1), POM sets the `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` flag in the `pim_config` table to `true`.

During switchover, when the `EnableKafkaHA.sh` script runs on Data center 2 (DC2), the script checks the `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` flag which is already set to `true` because a single `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` flag shared between both the DC1 and DC2. Hence, the script then assumes that Kafka HA is already enabled and exits without configuring HA on the DC2. Hence, to enable Kafka High Availability (HA) on DC2 using the `EnableKafkaHA.sh` script, manually set the `KAFKA_HA_ENABLED` flag value to `false`.

Procedure

1. Log in to a primary POM server using the command prompt.
2. Navigate to $POM_HOME/bin directory.
3. Run the following command: `./updatePOMConfig KAFKA_HA_ENABLED false`
4. Run the script ./`enableKafkaHA.sh`

   The system prompts you with the message:

   ```
   Please enter number of brokers to handle HA[Recommended is an odd number]:
   ```

5. Specify the number of Kafka servers to be included in the cluster and press Enter.

   POM prompts you with the message:

   ```
   Is there an external server to be configured? (y/n)
   ```

6. Specify *y* in case of external Kafka server and press Enter.

   Note:

   Maximum number of external server allowed is one. If you select *y*, POM prompts you to enter the IP address of the external server.

7. Specify *n*.

   POM prompts you with the message:

   ```
   This script can modify properties files of Kafka. Would you like to continue? (y/n)
   ```

8. Specify *y* and press Enter.

   POM prompts you with the message:

```
Please enter IP address of primary POM server.
```

9. Specify the IP address of primary POM server.
10. Follow the instructions mentioned in steps 7 and 8 for auxiliary POM servers.

    For auxiliary POM servers, POM prompts you with the message:

    ```
    Please enter IP address of Auxiliary POM server.
    ```
11. Follow the instructions displayed on console after successful execution of the script.
12. Refer to section Verifying Kafka HA Configuration on page 38 to ensure successful Kafka-HA configuration.

Verifying Kafka HA Configuration

Procedure

1. Execute $POM_HOME/bin/enableKafkaHA.sh.
2. Check if zookeeper and Kafka servers are up and running on all POM systems.

   On external Kafka server verify using Java Virtual Machine Process Status Tool (jps).
3. Check if Kafka topics are created successfully.

   ```
   $KAFKA_HOME/bin/kafka-topics.sh --bootstrap-server <hostname>:9093 --command-config $KAFKA_HOME/config/client.properties --list
   ```
4. If topics are created, verify that replicas of all topic partitions are distributed over all the brokers.

   ```
   $KAFKA_HOME/bin/kafka-topics.sh --bootstrap-server <hostname>:9093 --command-config $KAFKA_HOME/config/client.properties --describe
   ```
5. Stop the broker (Kafka server) which is leader for one of the topic partition and check leader is changing for that topic partition and same broker id is not getting listed in replicas for all the partitions.
6. Start the broker again and check broker id is getting listed in Isr replicas for all the partitions.

Geo redundancy

For Geo redundancy deployment we recommend running separate event client or consumers for each data center. Each client will connect to primary POM server running on that datacenter. The event client connected to kafka server of active datacenter will keep getting the events.

Once standby datacenter is active, the event client connected to that Kafka server will start getting the events. Note that only real-time or latest events will be available for consumer in case of POM geo redundancy deployments.

Chapter 6: POM failure scenarios

A single server deployment of POM provides limited capabilities to scale and failover. However, it does not support database resiliency or database failover.

Impact of the POM server reboot

In a single server deployment, the POM server resumes campaign jobs and data imports while the data import operation or campaign execution is in progress.

When the POM server resumes after a reboot:

- The jobs and data source imports scheduled to kick off during the outage do not start.
- The jobs of the same campaign and the new instances of data import start.

Impact of the EPMS plug-in failure

POM integrates with Experience Portal Manager (EPM) to provide common administration and management tasks, such as single sign on, user management, logs, alarms, and license management. You can install the EPMS plug-in only on the primary EPM. When you install the EPMS plug-in, it registers POM as a managed application with Avaya Experience Portal, deploys the POM web application on the Tomcat server, and runs the scripts to initialize POM-related configurations.

When the EPMS plug-in does not work, you cannot update the EPM changes in POM, such as licenses update, role changes, addition or deletion of zones, and addition of an EPM server.

Impact of the Campaign Director failure

The following table lists the impact of the Campaign Director failure on various functions:

Function	Impact
Job state	The jobs that are started from the user interface remain in the queued state. The campaign does not finish even when the system dials all contacts or the finish criteria is met. Such campaigns finish when Campaign Director is functional again.
Pausing and resuming campaigns based on user action	The Job state remains unchanged unless the dormant Campaign Director takes over.
Triggering campaigns and data imports at scheduled date and time	The scheduled imports and campaign schedules do not work for the time for which the connection is unavailable.
Data import	Running import jobs are resumed after the dormant Campaign Director takes over even when the status on user interface reflects are running. Import stops execution. When Campaign Director is functional again, the import resumes from where the import was stopped.
Export	Export stops execution. When Campaign Director is functional again, the export resumes from where the export was stopped.
Purging	During the purge operation if Campaign Director becomes nonfunctional, the purging stops. When Campaign Director is functional again, the purging does not resume. The purging starts at the next scheduled date and time.
Campaign Post Processing	Campaign post processing stops. When Campaign Director becomes functional again, the post processing resumes from where it was stopped. Completion code trend report might show stale data for the time for which Campaign Director is nonfunctional.
Trend calculation	Trend calculation, Campaign progress chart, and multiple campaign summary on Supervisor Dashboard show stale data for the time for which Campaign Director is nonfunctional.
Terminating campaigns if the finish criteria specified are met	Campaign Director does not perform periodic checks for the finish criteria and campaign does not stop dialing until the dormant Campaign Director failover the failed server.
Report	Completion code trend report might show stale data for the time for which Campaign Director is nonfunctional.
Nuisance rate and alarm generation	Nuisance call rate calculation and alarm generation stop execution until Campaign Director is functional again.
Job allocation	When the master Campaign Director fails and at the same time if Campaign Manager also fails, then the job handled by that Campaign Manager is not allocated to any other Campaign Manager until Campaign Director is functional again.

Impact of the Campaign Manager failure

In a single server deployment, campaigns in the running state continue to run. However, the system does not make any new dialing attempts. The agent activities are not impacted and continue to work as earlier. The system does not assign new calls to agents because the system does not make any new dialing attempts. The scheduled campaign jobs start as normal, but the system does not make any new dialing attempts. When Campaign Manager is functional again, the system resumes the dialing and makes new dialing attempts.

If the Campaign Manager process stops ungracefully and the campaigns are running, some contacts might be stuck and the campaign remains in the running state indefinitely without new attempts being made. You must manually stop such campaigns.

Impact of the Agent Manager failure

In a single server deployment, if the Agent Manager fails, then all agents receive POMNotAvailable notification and agent cannot perform any operation from the desktop. However, the agent in busy state can continue the call but cannot dispose the call from the desktop. All in-progress calls that are answered with live voice are marked as nuisance calls.

During a network outage, POMNotAvailable notifications are not sent to the desktop. Also, all operations performed by an agent are not communicated to Agent Manager and the error message is displayed. After the network connection is re-established, the agent needs to close the desktop and forcefully login again. Such calls are marked with the disposition as the Desktop error and agents need to login again. For the multi-server setup, during the network outage, if the network goes down for more than 40 seconds of the high-availability timeout, then another Agent Manager from the dormant server takes over the zone of failed Agent Manager server. If network connection is reestablished before 40 seconds, then the same server continues to operate.

Impact of the Rule Engine failure

In a single server deployment, campaigns in the running state continue to run. However, the system does not make any new dialing attempts. The agent activities are not impacted and continue to work as earlier. The system does not assign new calls to agents because the system does not make any new dialing attempts. The scheduled campaign jobs start as normal, but the system does not make any new dialing attempts. When Rule Engine is functional again, the system resumes the dialing and makes new dialing attempts.

Impact of the Load Monitor failure

To calculate the POM system load, POM can only use the data gathered from Load Monitor for the last 15 minutes. If Load Monitor stops functioning for 15 minutes, no current data is available, and the previously available data is considered stale and is no longer used for load calculation.

Without data from Load Monitor, POM cannot determine whether the POM system is under high load, even if it actually is. Therefore, 15 minutes after a Load Monitor failure, POM is unable to accurately determine the POM system load and apply the load-based restrictions.

Impact of the application server failure

The agent activities are impacted. If the application server is down, the system displays the `9007, System error. Please check media server` message on the agent desktop for every command that the agent initiates after the application server is nonfunctional. If MPP is not reachable, the system displays the `9009, "System error. Media server not reachable"` message. The system retries all commands coming from telephony and MPP for 10 minutes. After 10 minutes, whenever application server is functional, the agent needs to forcefully login.

The campaign execution is impacted and the system does not make any new dialing attempts.

None of the POM shipped applications deployed on the application server work.

Impact of the EPM or Tomcat failure

POM web services do not work. Any updates through the agent scripts do not work. If the primary EPM or Tomcat is nonfunctional, you cannot perform POM administrative tasks. You can access the Supervisor Dashboard through auxiliary EPM using the following URL: `https://<auxillary IP>/dashboard/`.

The campaigns continue to run. However, the system does not make any new dialing attempts. The ongoing calls get an attempt timeout after 2 minutes. If the EPM or Tomcat service is functional within 2 minutes, the system updates the proper disposition. For the multi-server setup, the auxiliary EPM updates the disposition.

Impact of the MPP failure

If MPP stops gracefully, the nailing drops after the grace period expires. If MPP sends AGTNailingLost to Agent Manager, then agent nailing drops and all the busy agents go to Wrapup state.

For a graceful shutdown of MPP, AGTNailinglost event is communicated to POM after 4 minutes. Therefore, if the agent does not perform any activity in 4 minutes, the agent nailing session cleanup happens correctly and the agent gets nailed from another MPP. If the agent performs any operation any time before 4 minutes from the desktop like ReleaseLine, POM receives an error with the **General_Failure** error code. This internally cleans agent states but agent nailing telephony session cleanup does not happen. Agent must drop nailing session manually.

All voice calls stop. The campaigns continue to run. However, when the system makes any new dialing attempts, the system displays an `No MPP resource` error message. If MPP stops gracefully, the voice calls are disconnected after the grace period.

If MPP stops ungracefully because of a network outage or power outage, the nailing does not drop automatically for all logged in agents. The agents must drop the nailing manually.

Recovering MPP

About this task

Use this procedure to recover MPP after a network outage or power outage.

Procedure

1. Log off all agents.

   Ensure that you wait till all agents are logged off.
2. Log in to the Experience Portal Management web console as an administrator.
3. On the Experience Portal Management web console, click **POM** > **POM Home** > **Configurations** > **POM Servers**.
4. On the POM Servers page, click **POM Manager**.
5. Select the check boxes for all POM servers and click **Stop**.
6. On the Experience Portal Management web console, click **System Management** > **MPP Manager**.
7. Select the check boxes for all MPP servers and click **Restart**.

   Ensure that there are no active nailing calls on MPP before you restart the MPP service.
8. On the Experience Portal Management web console, click **System Management** > **Application Server**.
9. Select the check box for the application server that you want to restart and click **Stop**.
10. After waiting for a few seconds, click **Start**.

11. On the Experience Portal Management web console, click **POM** > **POM Home** > **Configurations** > **POM Servers**.
12. On the POM Servers page, click **POM Manager**.
13. Select the check boxes for all POM servers and click **Start**.

Chapter 7: Resources

Documentation

For information about feature administration, interactions, considerations, and security, see the following POM documents available on the Avaya Support site at http://www.avaya.com/support:

Title	Description	Audience
Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager Overview and Specification	Provides general information about the product overview and the integration with other products.	Users
Administering Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager	Provides general information about field descriptions and procedures for using Proactive Outreach Manager.	Users
Troubleshooting Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager	Provides general information about troubleshooting and resolving system problems, and detailed information about and procedures for finding and resolving specific problems.	System administrators Implementation engineers Users
Using Avaya Proactive Outreach Manager Reports	Provides general information about the field descriptions and various reports.	Users

Install Avaya Experience Portal before you install POM. You will find references to Avaya Experience Portal documentation at various places in the POM documentation.

Finding documents on the Avaya Support website

Procedure

1. Go to https://support.avaya.com.
2. To log in, click **Sign In** at the top of the screen and then enter your login credentials when prompted.
3. Click **Product Support** > **Documents**.
4. In **Search Product**, start typing the product name and then select the appropriate product from the list displayed.
5. In **Select Release**, select the appropriate release number.

   This field is not available if there is only one release for the product.
6. **(Optional)** In **Enter Keyword**, type keywords for your search.

7. From the **Select Content Type** list, select one or more content types.

   For example, if you only want to see user guides, click **User Guides** in the **Select Content Type** list.

8. Click to display the search results.

Support

Go to the Avaya Support website at https://support.avaya.com for the most up-to-date documentation, product notices, and knowledge articles. You can also search for release notes, downloads, and resolutions to issues. Use the online service request system to create a service request. Chat with live agents to get answers to questions, or request an agent to connect you to a support team if an issue requires additional expertise.

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