Choose the Connection Type and Configuration Mode

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After installation, you need to create a Connection between the 2 instances.

A connection defines the scope of your synchronization. It describes **which** entities must be synced and **how** they can be synced.

For setting up a Connection you must choose

- the Connection Type
- the Configuration Mode

Exalate supports 3 Connection Types:

Public

Allows synchronization where both task management systems are available via a public network (i.e the Internet).

Private

Allows synchronization where one Exalate application cannot be accessed through the public network or is behind a firewall.

Local

Allows synchronization between projects within a single task management system or instance.

> **Important**: Local connection is not supported on Azure DevOps and GitHub.

Note: *Start the local connection integration tutorial here.*

To continue, select if one of your instances is behind a firewall:

○ Yes, Exalate for Source is behind a firewall

○ Yes, Exalate for Destination is behind a firewall

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○ No, none of my instances are behind a firewall