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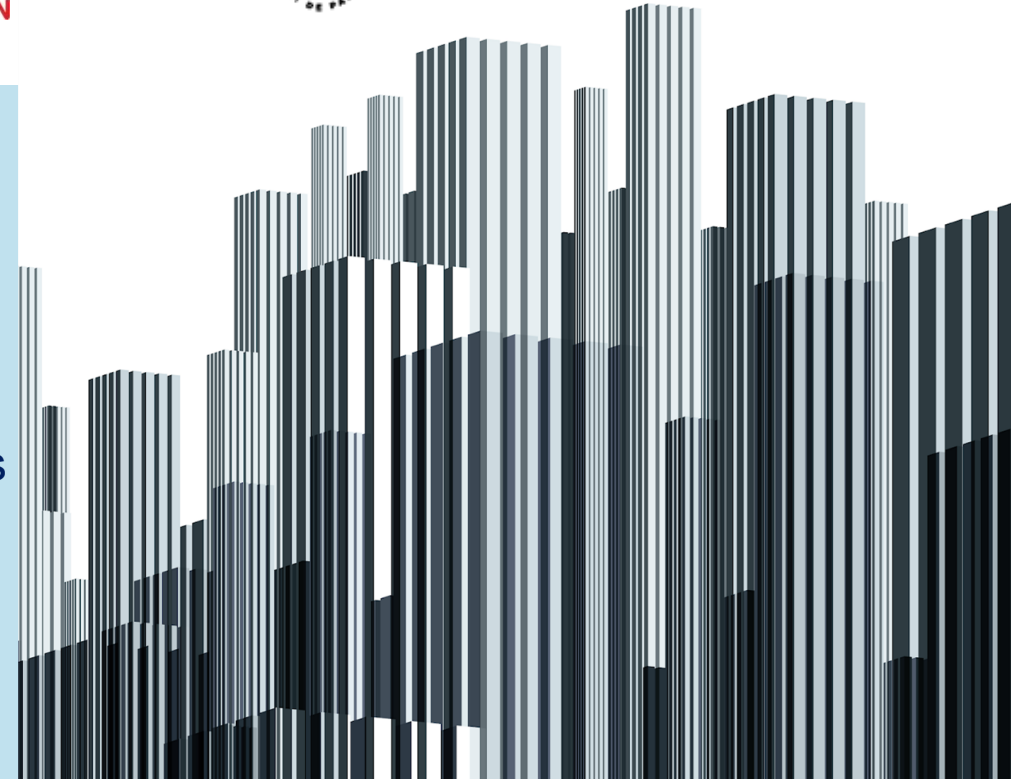


ComDeX: A Context-aware Federated Platform for IoT-enhanced Communities

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The imminent rise of smart cities and IoT communities



Rise of the global megacity

World's most populated urban areas



Source: UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Urbanization around world



Efficient

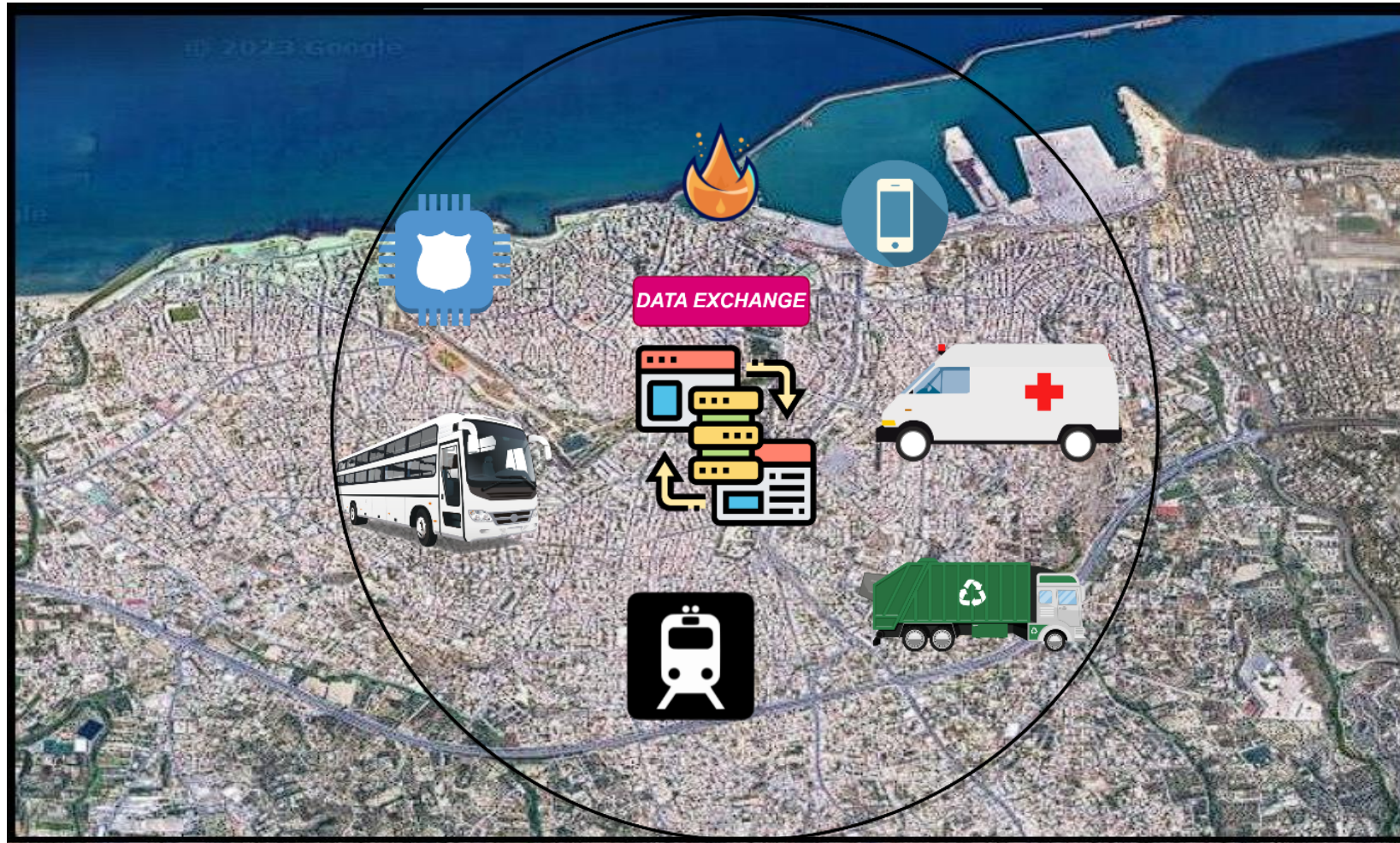
Sustainable

Safe

Smart Cities embrace a variety of Internet and mobile technologies in order to improve the quality of life for their citizens, transform the efficiency of public services, and generate new sources of growth for companies

How easy is this?

Motivation Scenario: Complexity of Confluence - Challenging Aspects of Smart Communities

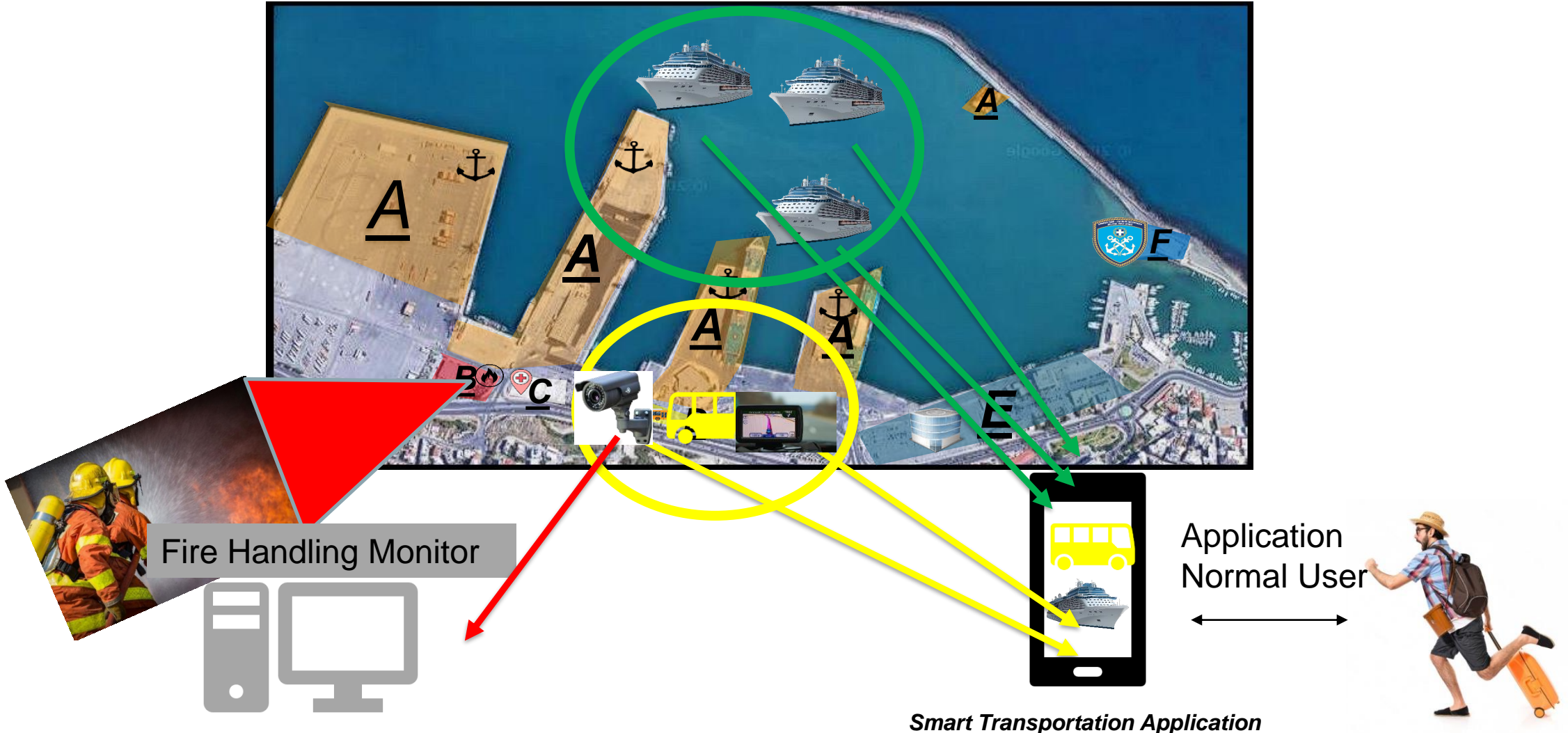
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Port authority (A)
Firefighters (B)
Medic Station (C)
City Bus Transportation (D)
Private Businesses (E)
Coast Guard (F)



Each have their own applications, devices, data, servers etc.

Motivation: Widespread IoT Applications



Motivation: Widespread IoT Applications, a challenging endeavor



We want to be able to easily access information while withholding our own

We are using a proprietary data model, we only want to share bus timetables!

Information Integration?
How to do handle the distributed data exchange?
Selective Sharing?
Data sovereignty?



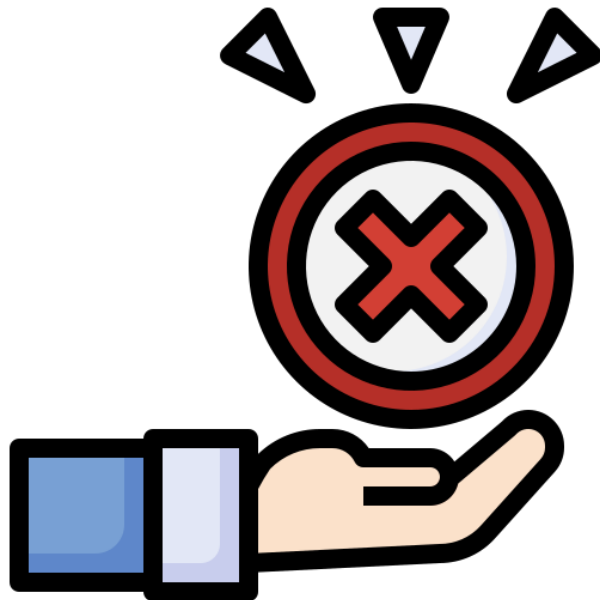
Requirements for enabling widespread IoT applications



IoT systems must be designed to enable:

- **Cross-community collaboration:** Enable seamless connection of diverse stakeholders and enable efficient data exchange
- **Openness and Interoperability:** IoT systems should provide interoperability between different devices, services, and applications. They should have open standards and protocols to facilitate seamless interaction across different platforms.
- **Data Sovereignty:** Data providers should have control over their data and its exposure
- **Scalability:** IoT systems should be scalable to manage the rapid increase in the number of interconnected devices and the data they produce.

Existing Solutions



- ☐ Lack service programming models or rely solely on their own private data models and interfaces.

Tricomi et al., SMARTCOMP, 2019.

Cirillo et al., IEEE Internet of Things Magazine, 2019.

- ☐ Offer data dissemination techniques without appropriate considerations for selective sharing and maintaining data sovereignty

Salehi et al., Middleware, 2020.

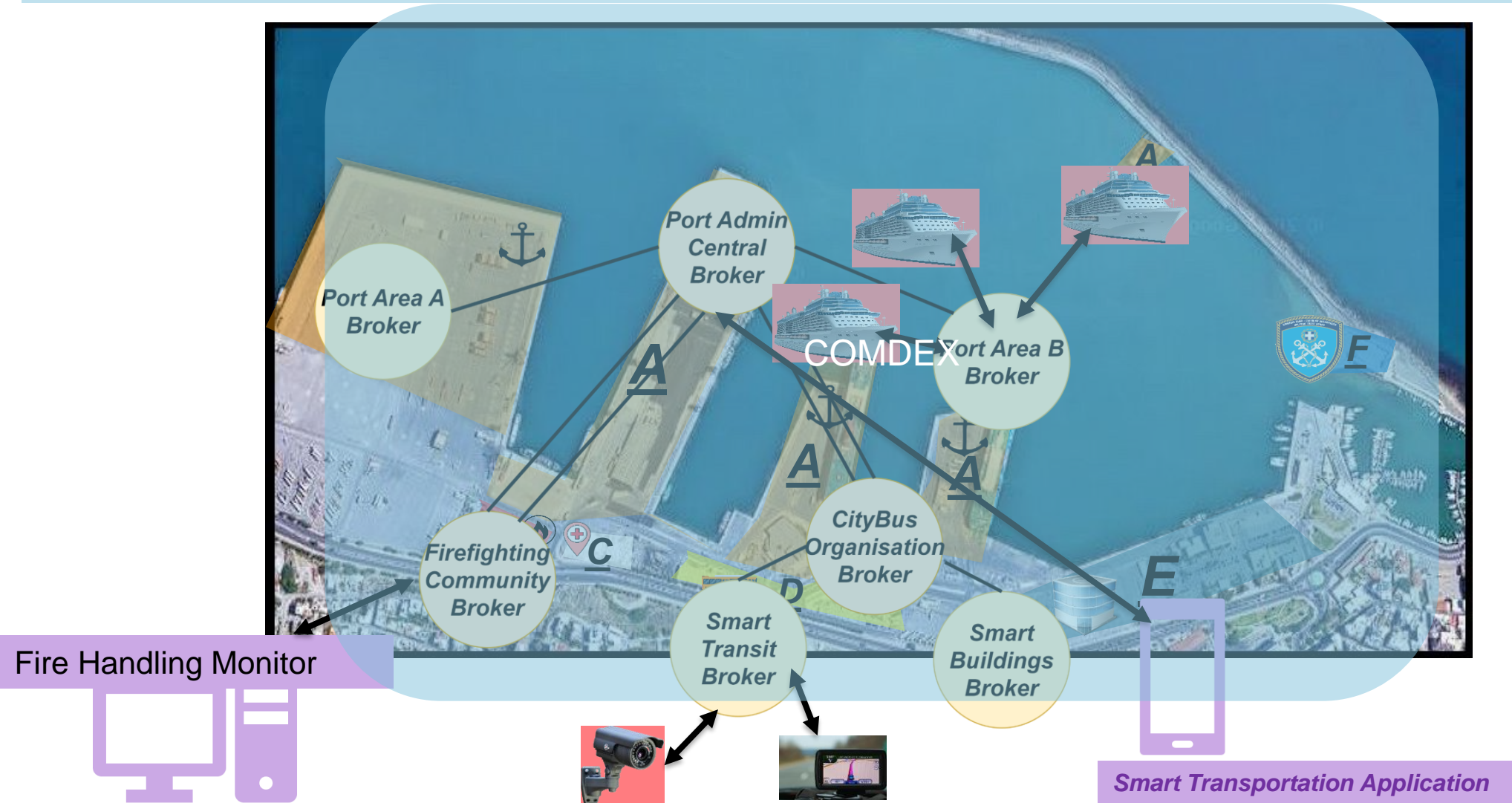
Morelli et al., FedCSIS, 2020.

- ☐ Focus solely on a single smart space. They don't offer a solution to challenges faced in a federation of smart communities

Adal et al., BuildSys '21, 2021.

Yus et al., ACM Transactions on Internet Technology – TOIT, 2022.

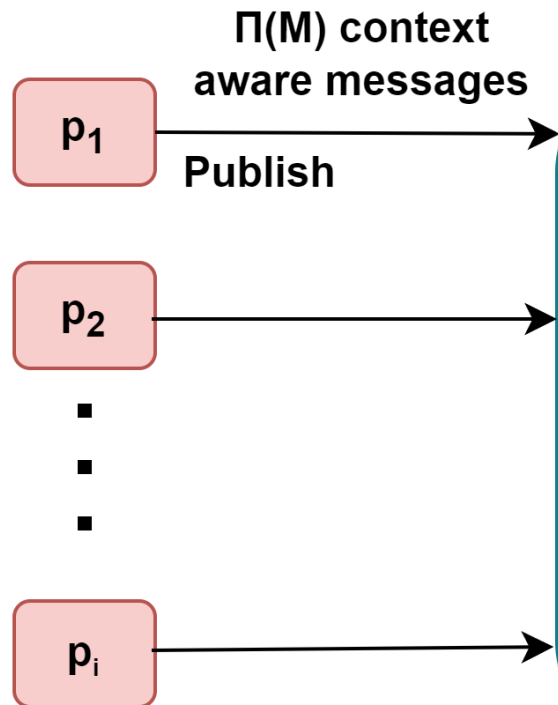
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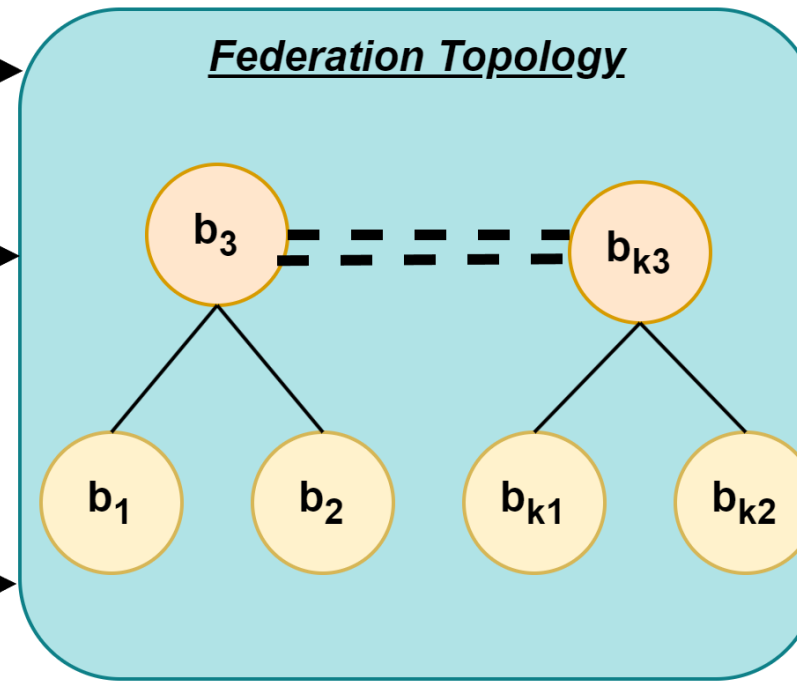
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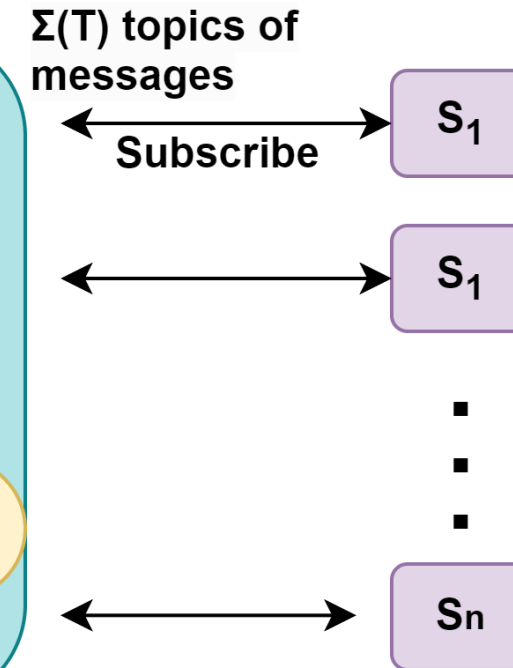
IoT Devices



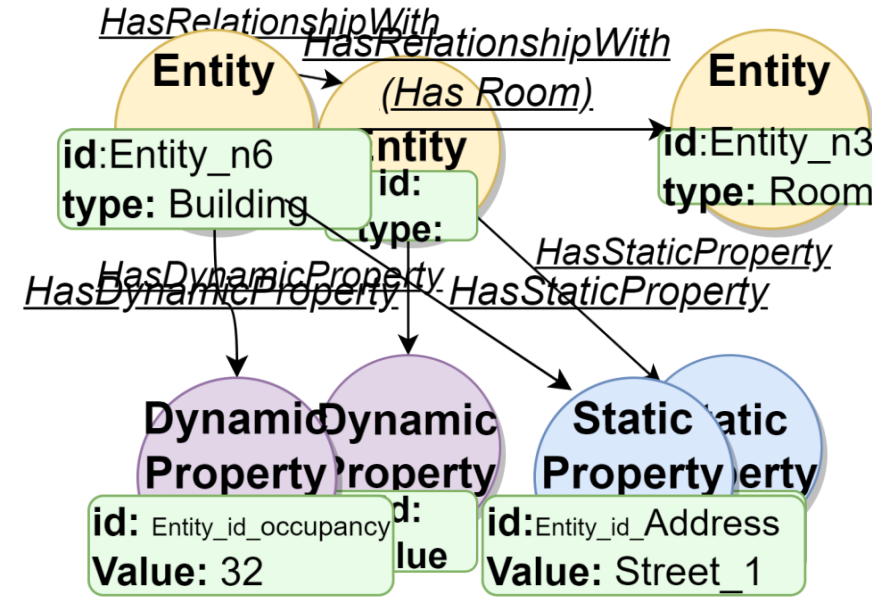
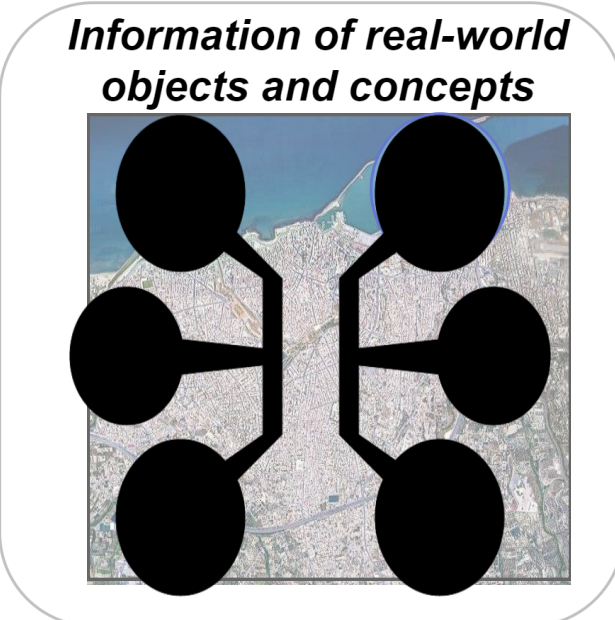
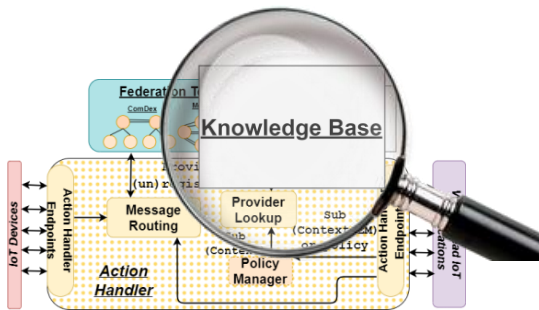
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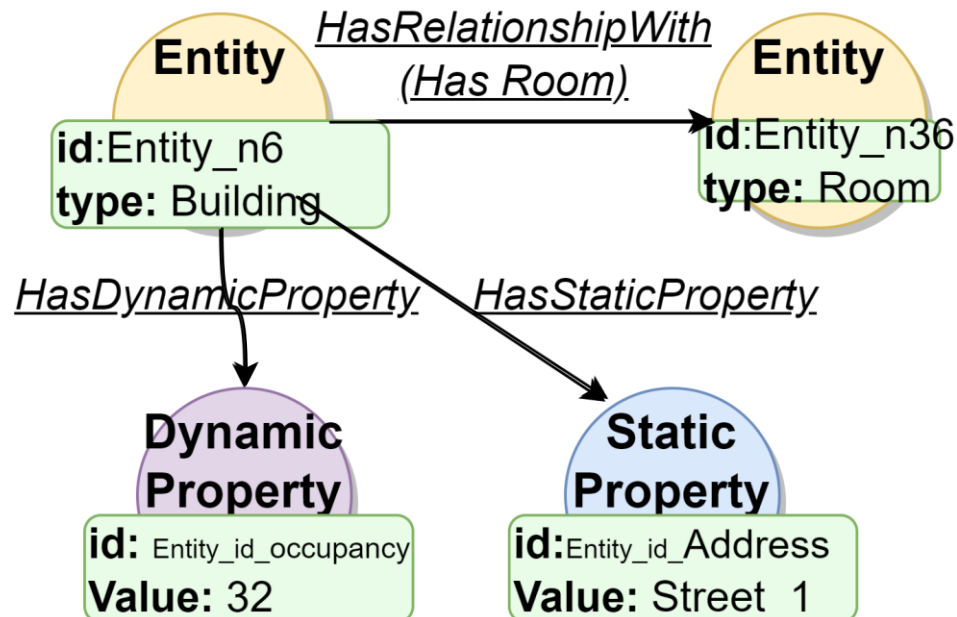
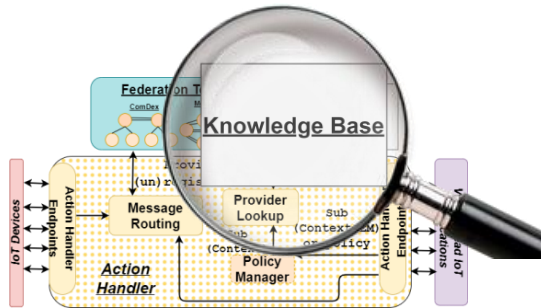
Widespread IoT Applications



ComDeX Architecture: Modeling Static/Dynamic Data



Context-aware pub/sub messaging



Algorithm 1 Algorithm to split of data in property graph into messages on specific topics

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1: //Input: Property Graph //Output: ComDEX Messages
2: procedure SPLITTING P.GRAPH:
3:   for each node  $x$  where  $node_{type}$  equals "Entity" do
4:      $\epsilon_j \leftarrow x$ 
5:      $\epsilon_j.attr.ea_x \leftarrow edges.of.x$ 
6:     for each  $\epsilon_j.attr.ea_x$  do
7:        $t_j \leftarrow \epsilon_j.type + \epsilon_j.id + ea_x.type + ea_x.id$ 
8:        $m_j.topic \leftarrow t_j$ 
9:        $m_j.payload \leftarrow ea_x.value$ 
10:       $print(m_j)$ 
11:    end for
12:  end for
13: end procedure

```

Messages

Topic: Building/Entity_n6/HasDynamicProperty/Occupancy

Payload: value:32

Topic: Building/Entity_n6/HasStaticProperty/address

Payload: value:Street_1

Topic: Building/Entity_n6/HasRelationshipWith/HasRoom

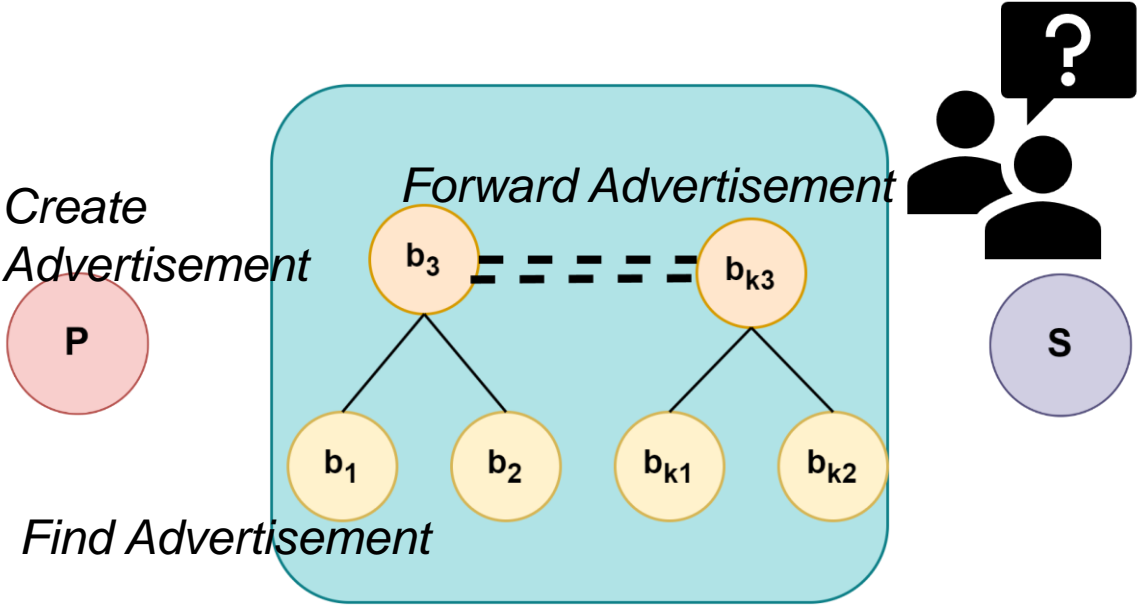
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<u>Advertisement Message</u>
Per Entity Type: provider/ connection_info/entity_type Per Entity ID: provider/connection_info/entity_type/entity_id
<u>Example</u>
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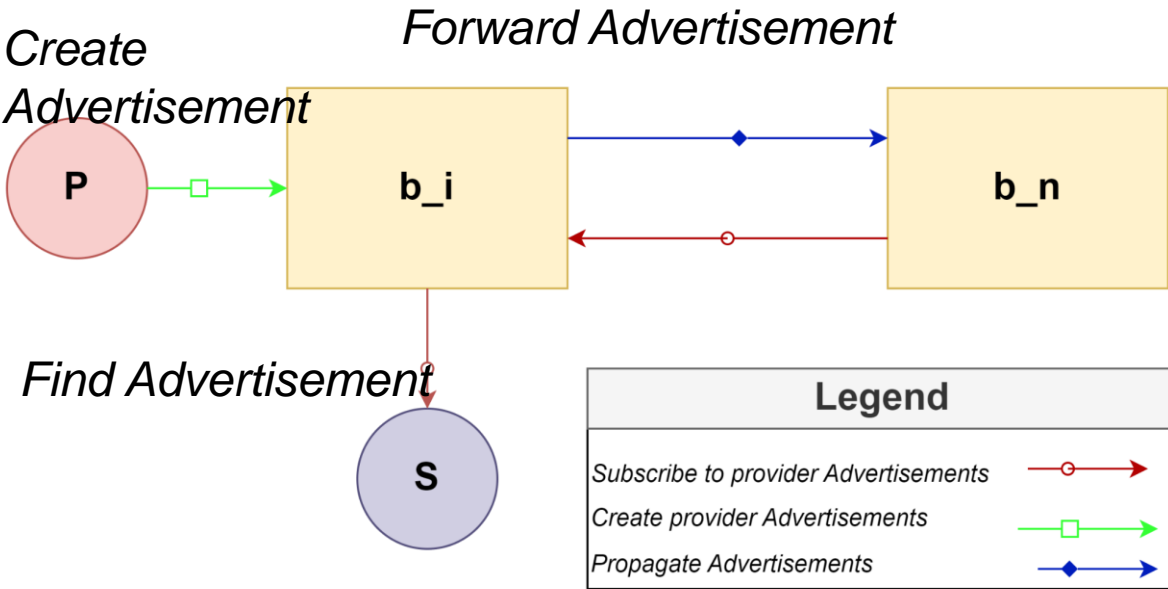


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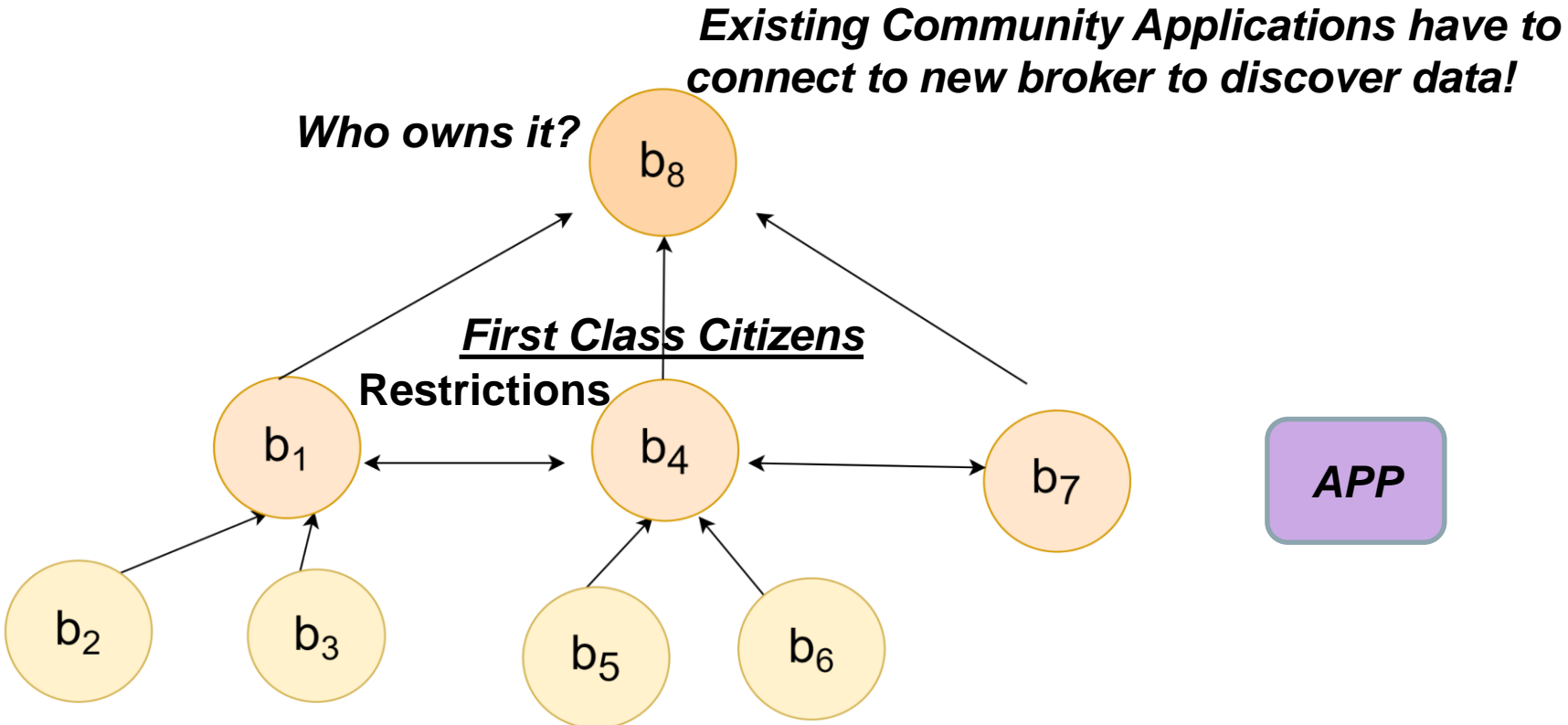
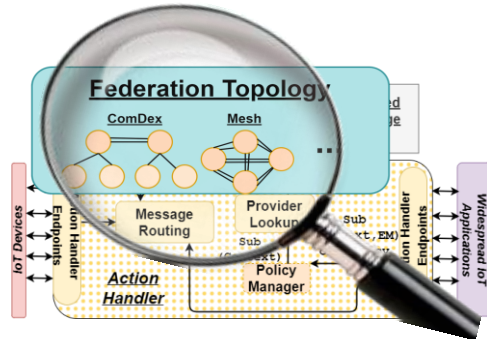


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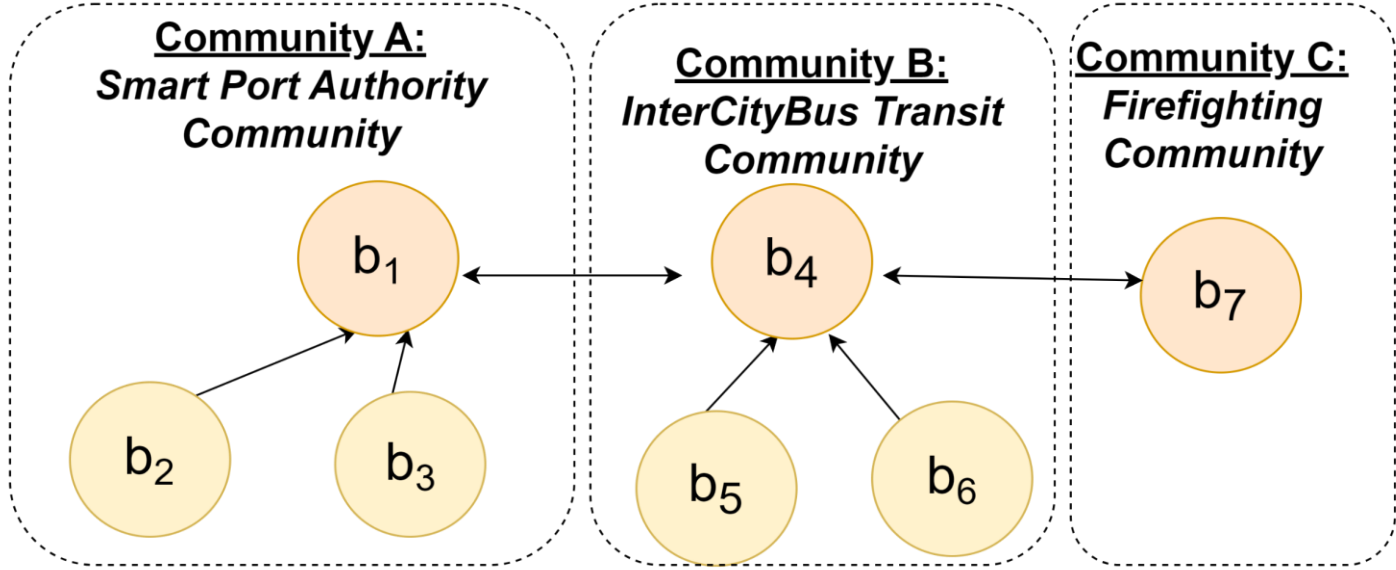
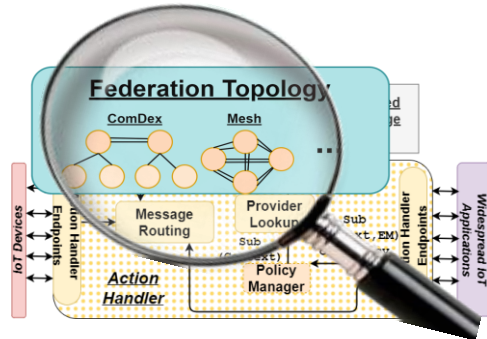
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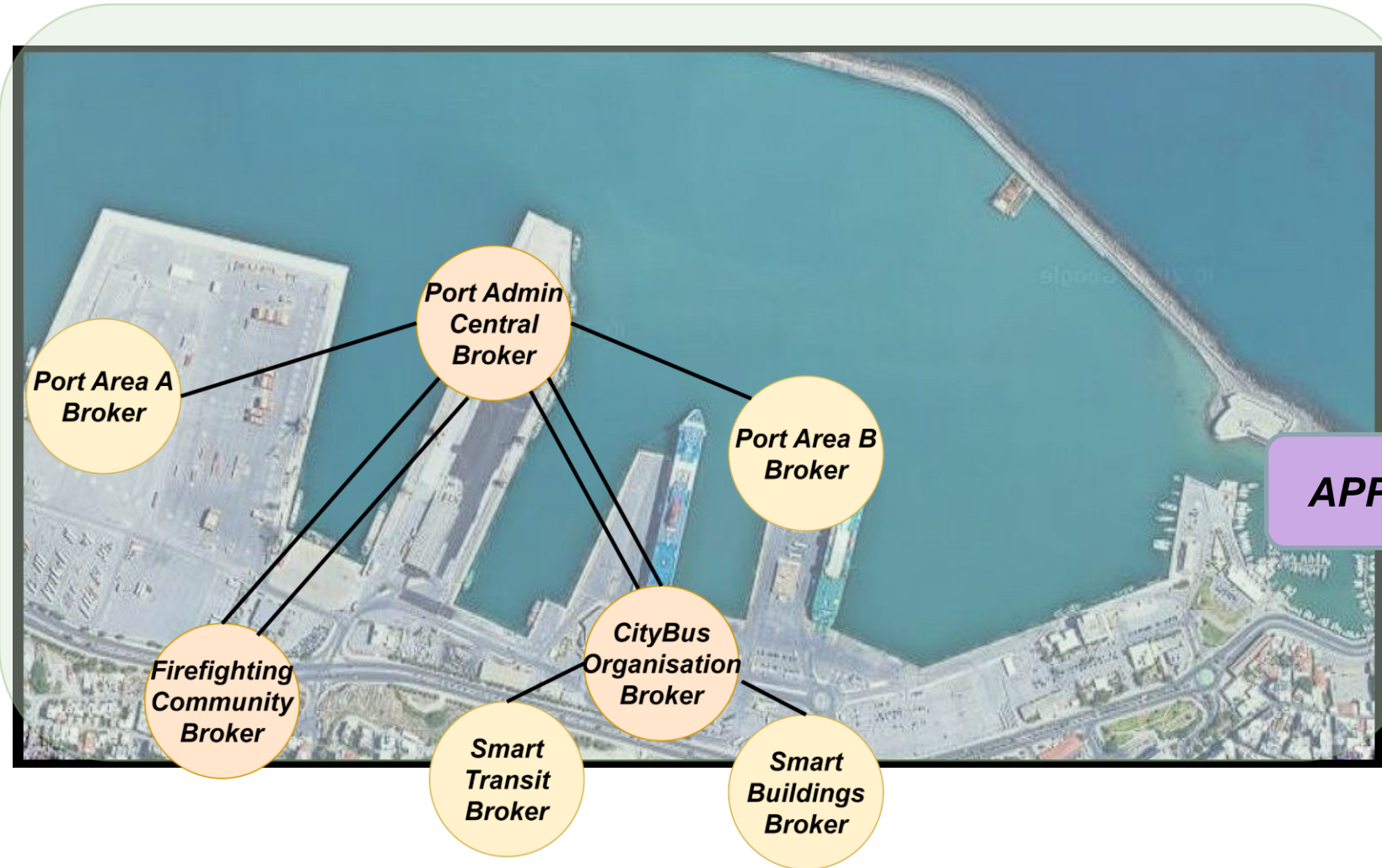
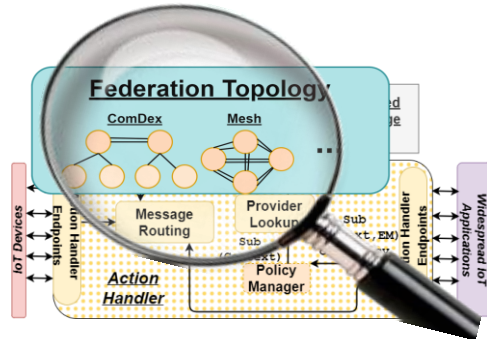
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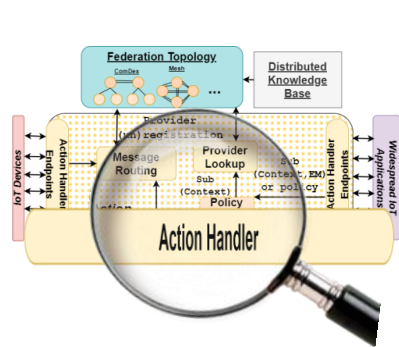
Distributed Broker Setup: Federation Topology



APP

have to
data!

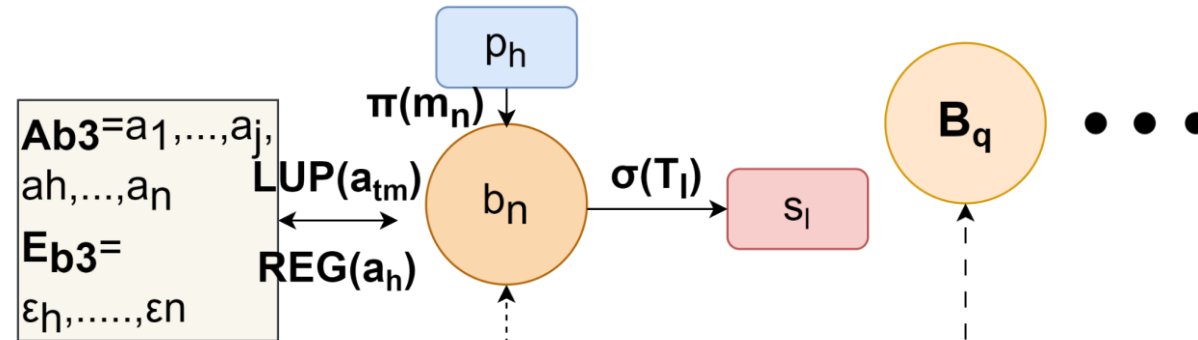
ComDeX Architecture: Action Handler



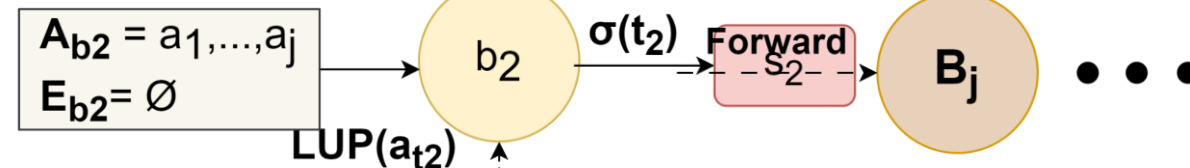
Actions:

- ✓ Publish Data (π)
- ✓ Request/Subscribe to Data (σ)
- ✓ Provider Registration (**REG**)
- ✓ Provider Lookup (**LUP**)

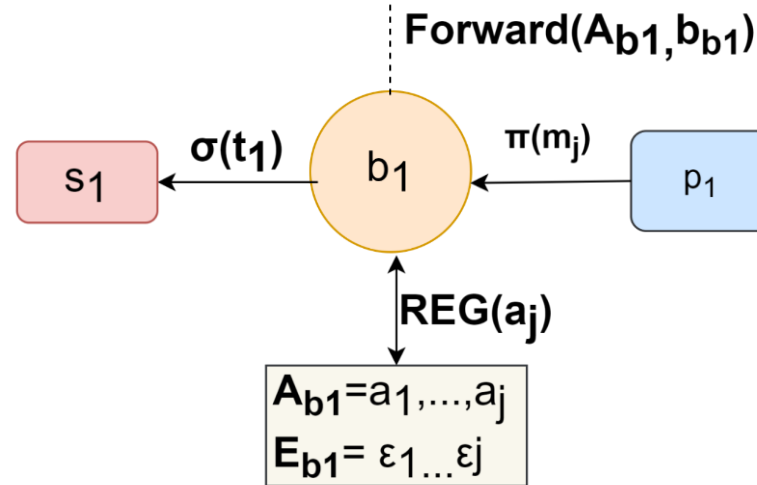
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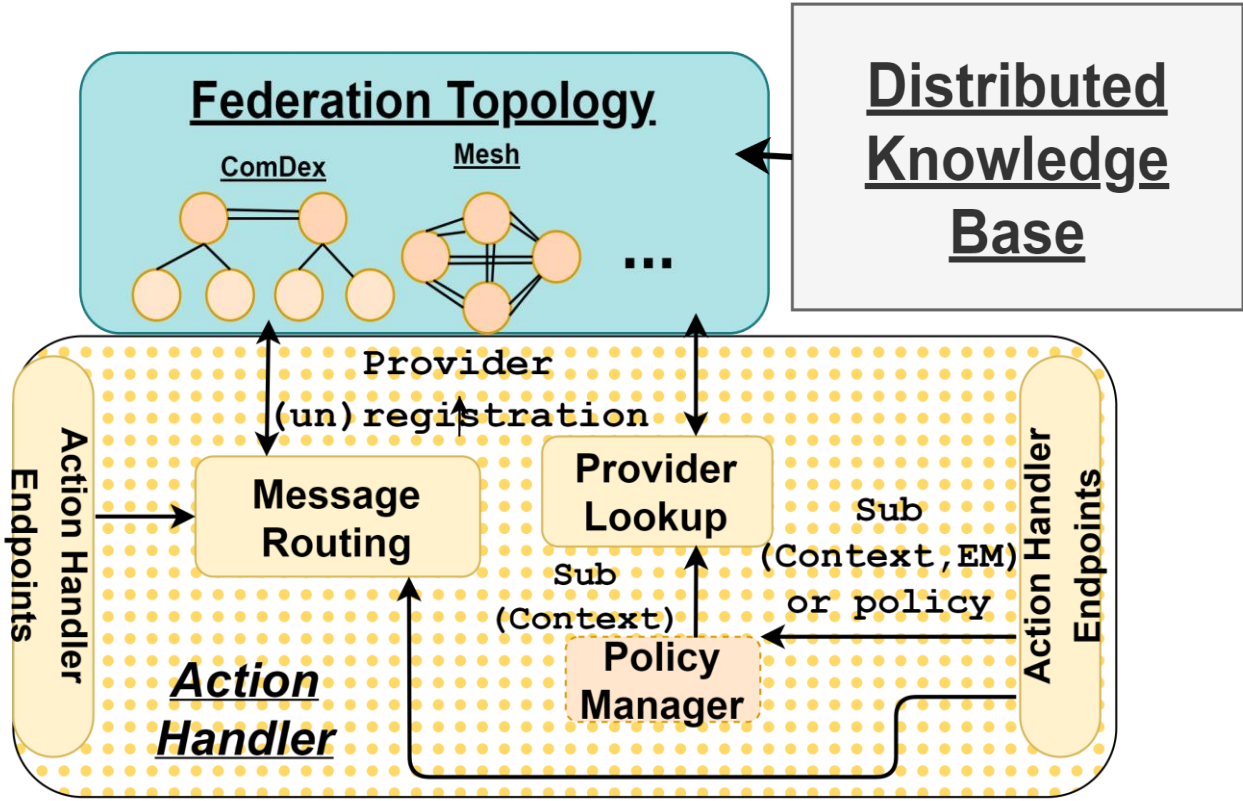
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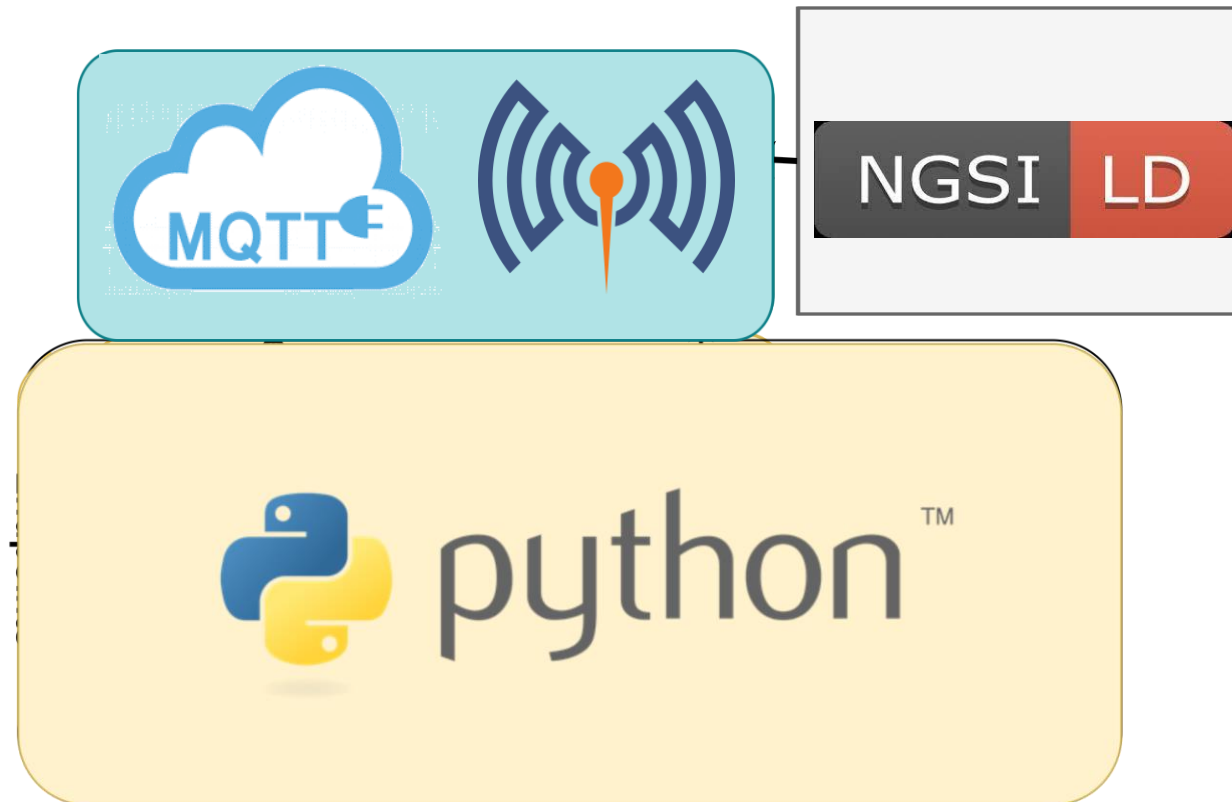
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From theory to practice: Prototype Implementation



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Experimental Evaluation: Testbed



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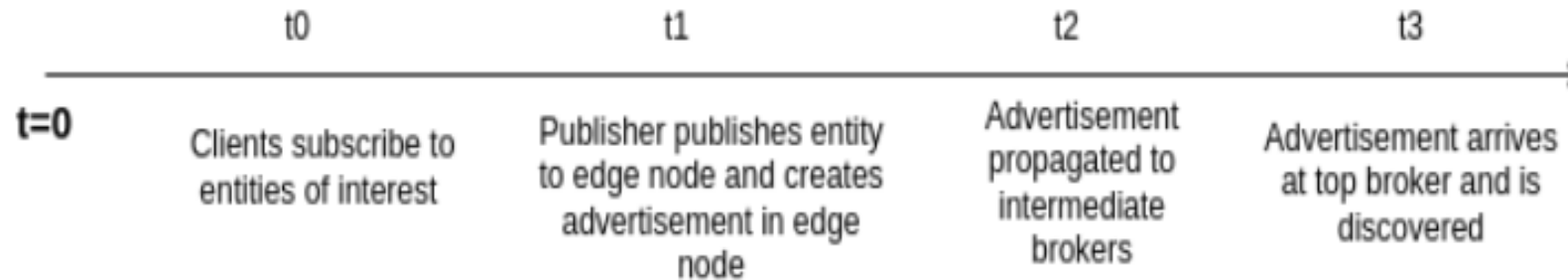


Functionallity	Instance Type	Instance Family	Instance Size	VCPUs	Memory (GIB)	Network Performace
Brokers	c5.large	c5	large	2	4	Up to 10 Gigabit
Subscribers/Publishers	t3.nano	t3	nano	2	0.5	Up to 5 Gigabit
Publisher (§8.2)	t3.large	t3	large	2	8	Up to 5 Gigabit



EC2

Experimental Evaluation: Metrics



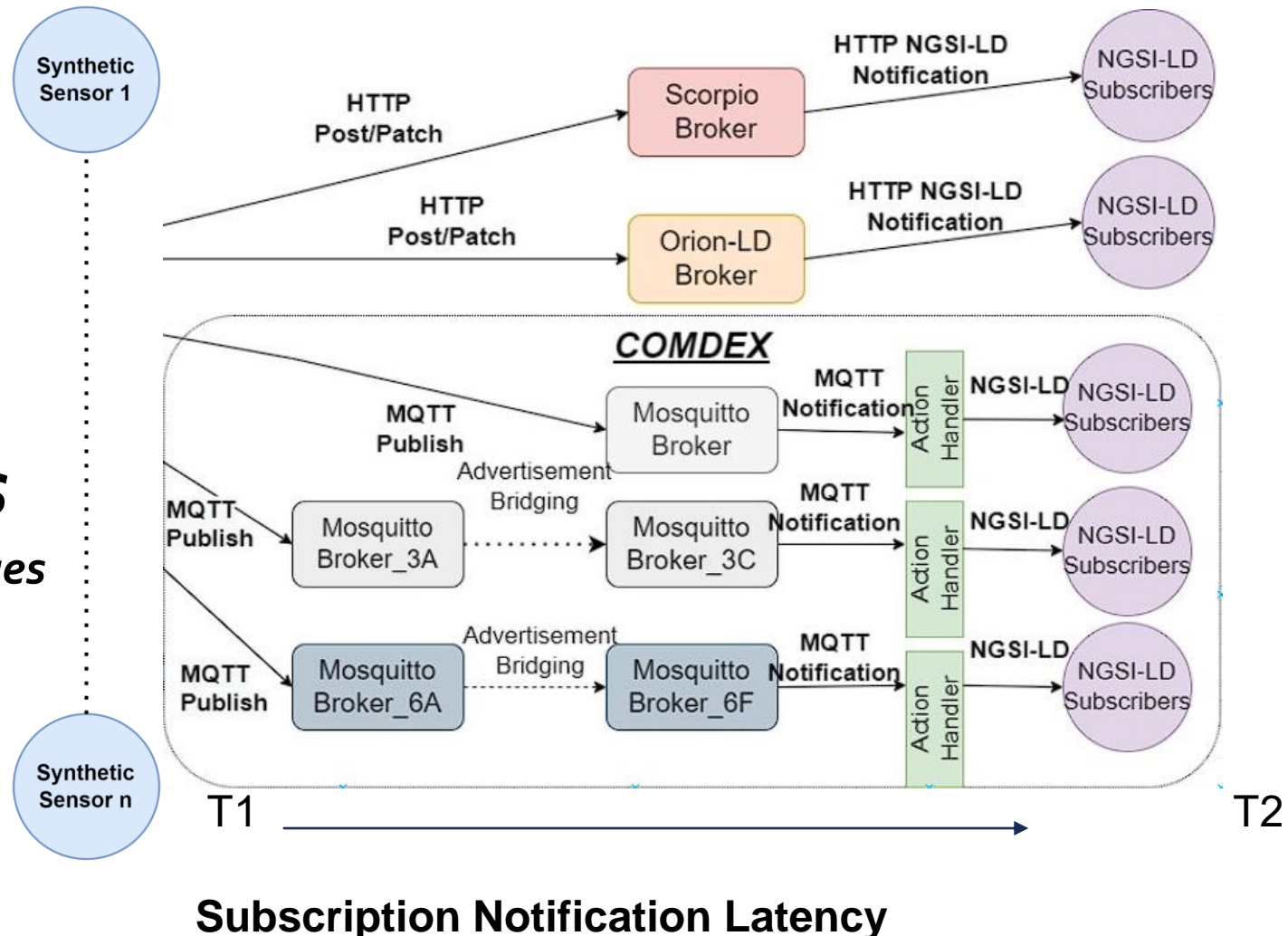
Advertisement Installation Time = arrival_time_at_top_broker – creation_time_at_edge_broker
Advertisement Installation Time = $t_3 - t_1$

Subscription Notification Latency: the time, from the creation of a Publication π_j at a broker bk until its reception by an interested subscriber sj

Experiment 1: Experimental Setup



**2000
entities**
Random values



Experiment 1: Experimental Results Normal Case

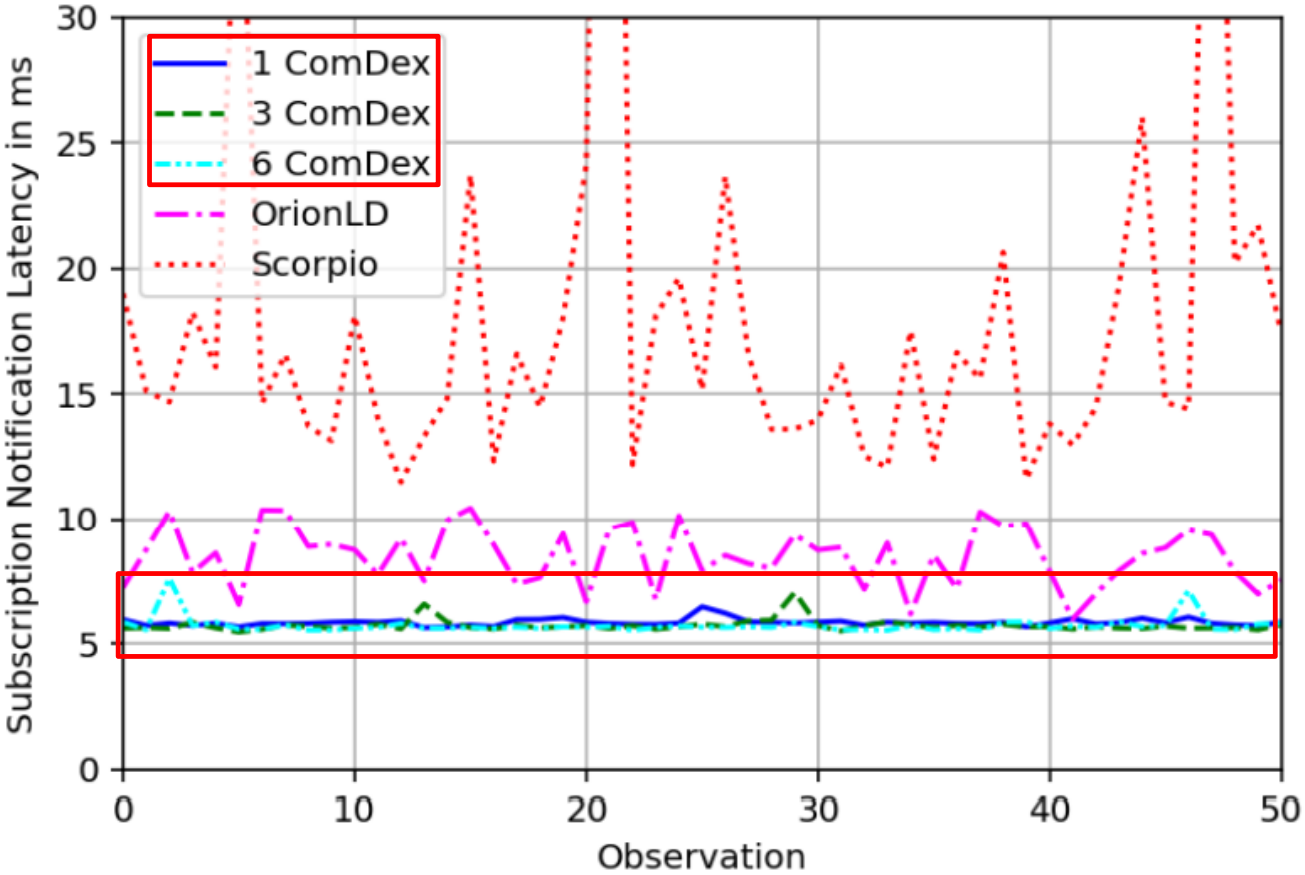
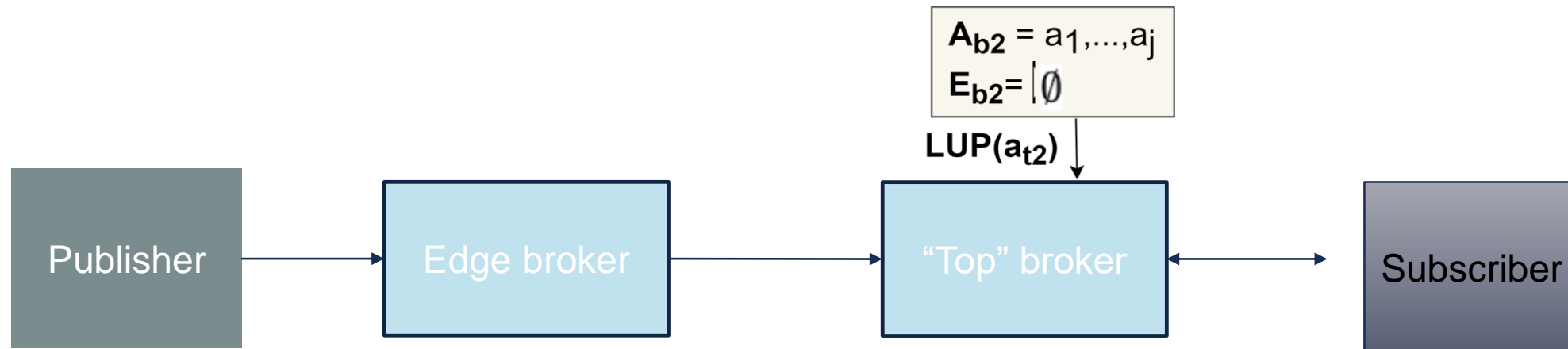


Figure 8.2: Subscription notification latencies (§8.1.1)

Experiment 2: Worst Case Scenario



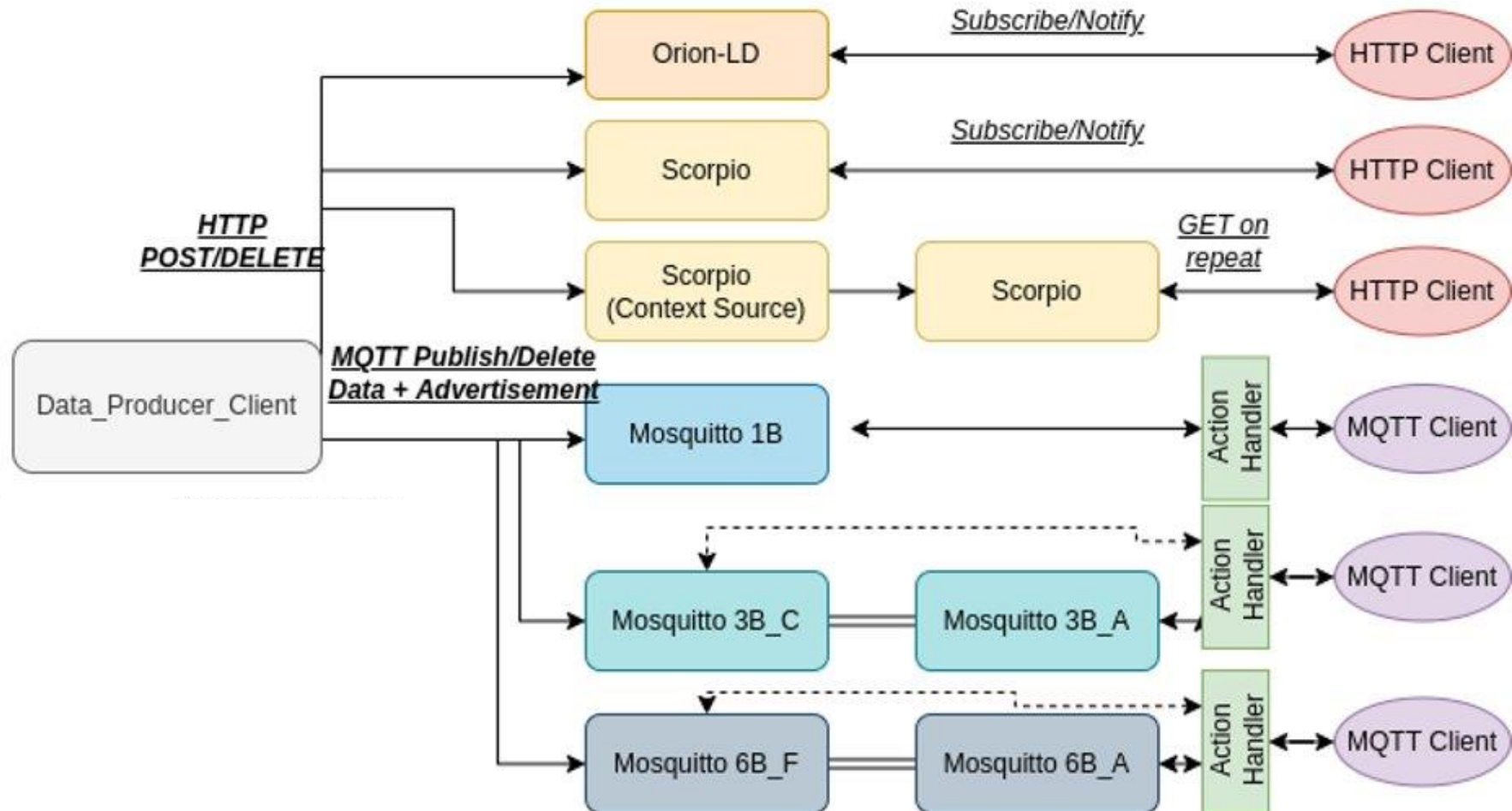
Client needs to "re-discover" the data source and connect to it for every entity requested.



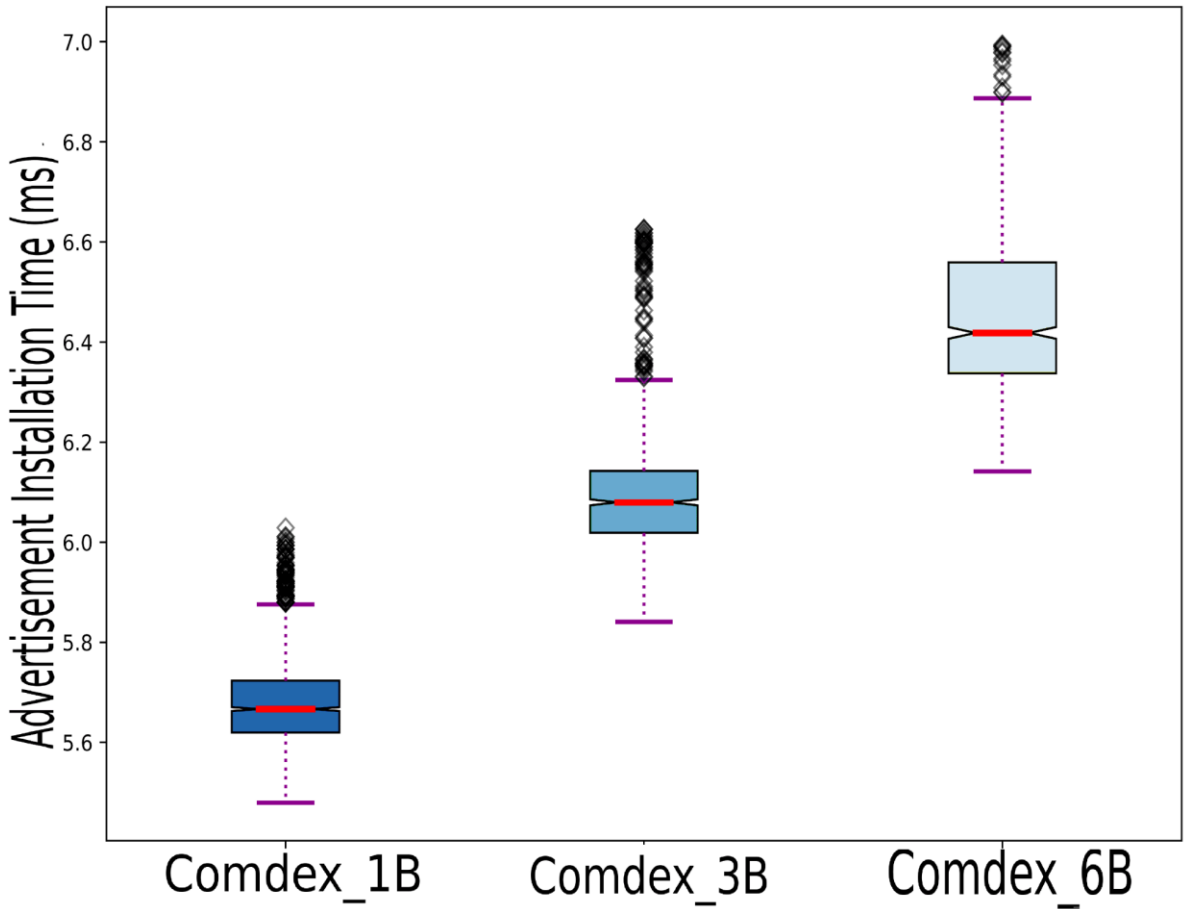
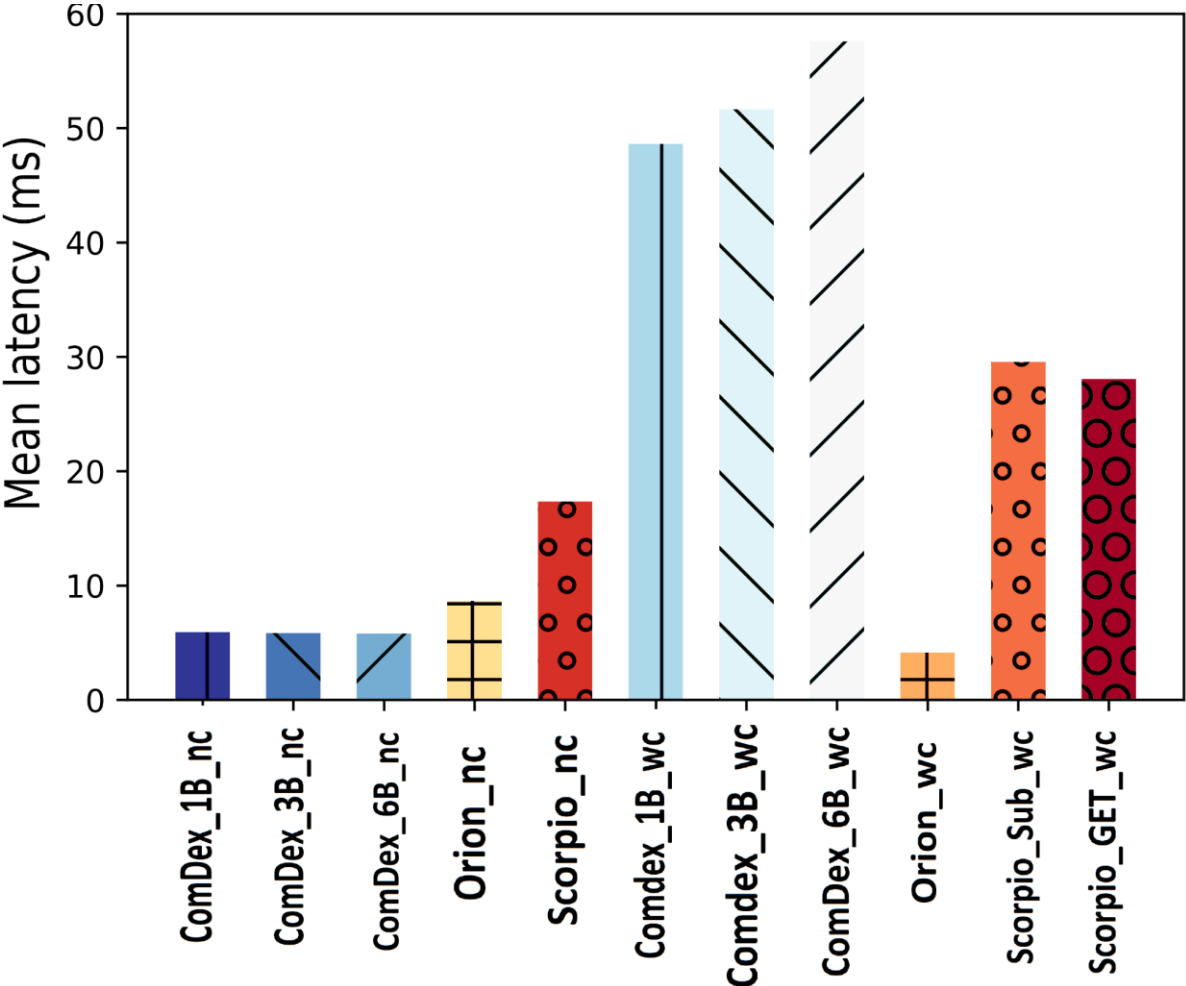
The time that would take for the requested data to arrive would be:

Advertisement_installation_time + discovery_by_the_action_handler + creation_of_new_broker_connections/subscriptions + notification_time_from_broker_to_client

Experiment 2: Experimental Setup



Experiment 2: Experimental Results (B)

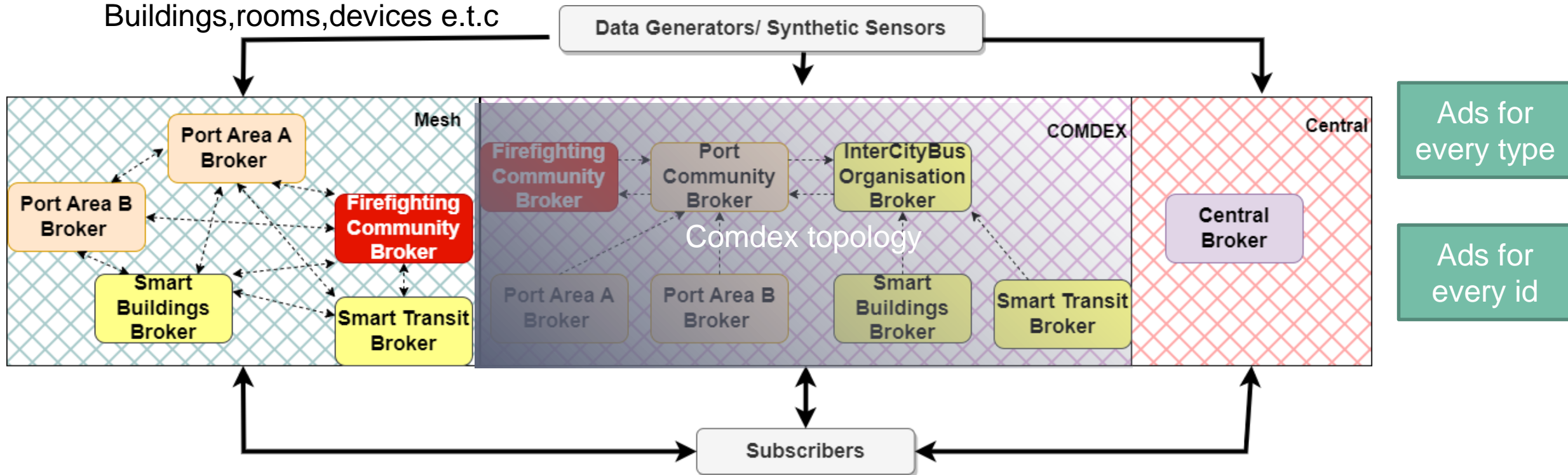


Experiment 3: Experimental Setup



Approx. 15k entities:

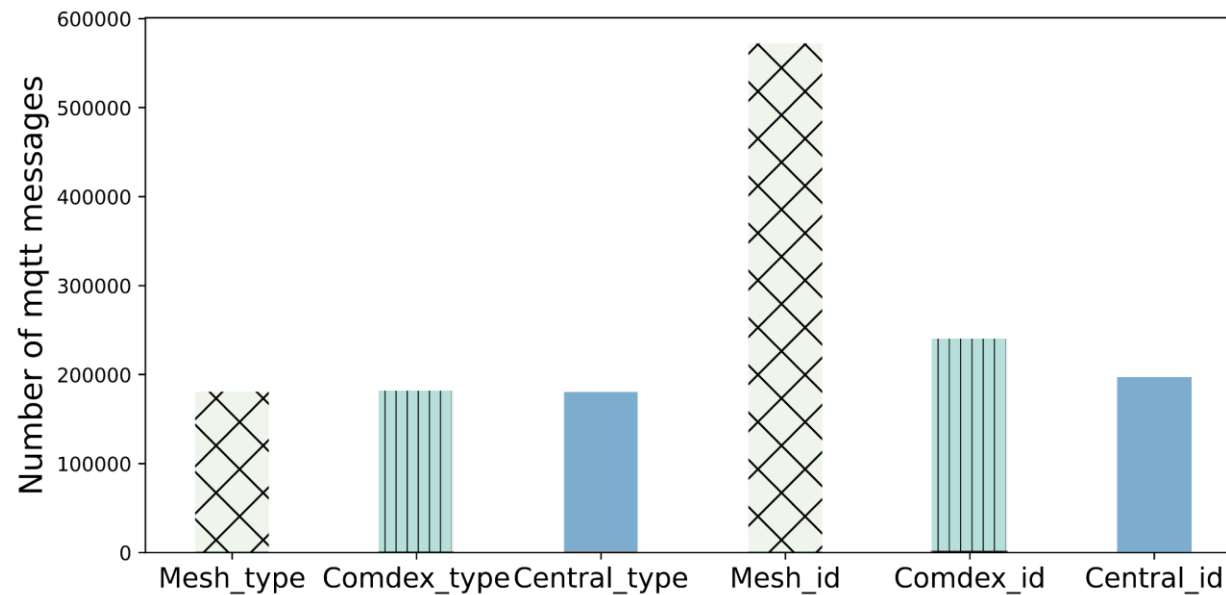
Buildings, rooms, devices e.t.c



Devices and observations using real traces

R. Kumar, M. Swarnkar, G. Singal and N. Kumar, "IoT Network Traffic Classification Using Machine Learning Algorithms: An Experimental Analysis," in IEEE Internet of Things Journal, vol. 9, no. 2, pp. 989-1008, 15 Jan.15, 2022, doi: 10.1109/JIOT.2021.3121517.

Experiment 3: Experimental Results (A)



Advertise each different entity type:

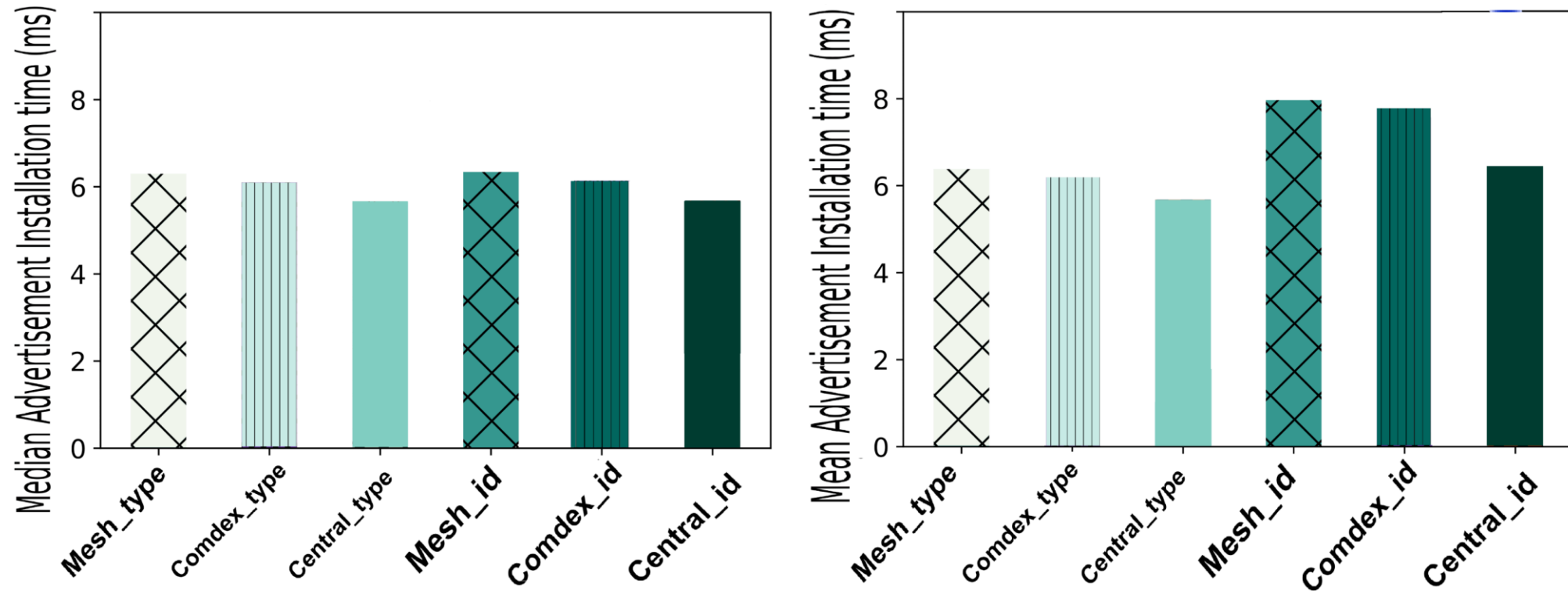
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'provider/' + broker_address + '/' + broker_port + '/' + broker_area + '/' + entity_context + '/' + entity_type
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Advertise each different entity id:

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```

Number of messages required for the creation of 15000 entities

Experiment 3: Experimental Results (B)



Advertisement installation times for different topologies and advertisement granularities

Towards the future



- ***What's Next?***

- Handle QoS guarantees and policies dynamically
- Handle prototype security.
- Facilitate the integration of 3rd party platforms



Questions?



Thank you for your time.



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