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An Approach for Monitoring and Smart Planning of Urban Solid Waste Management Using Smart-M3 Platform

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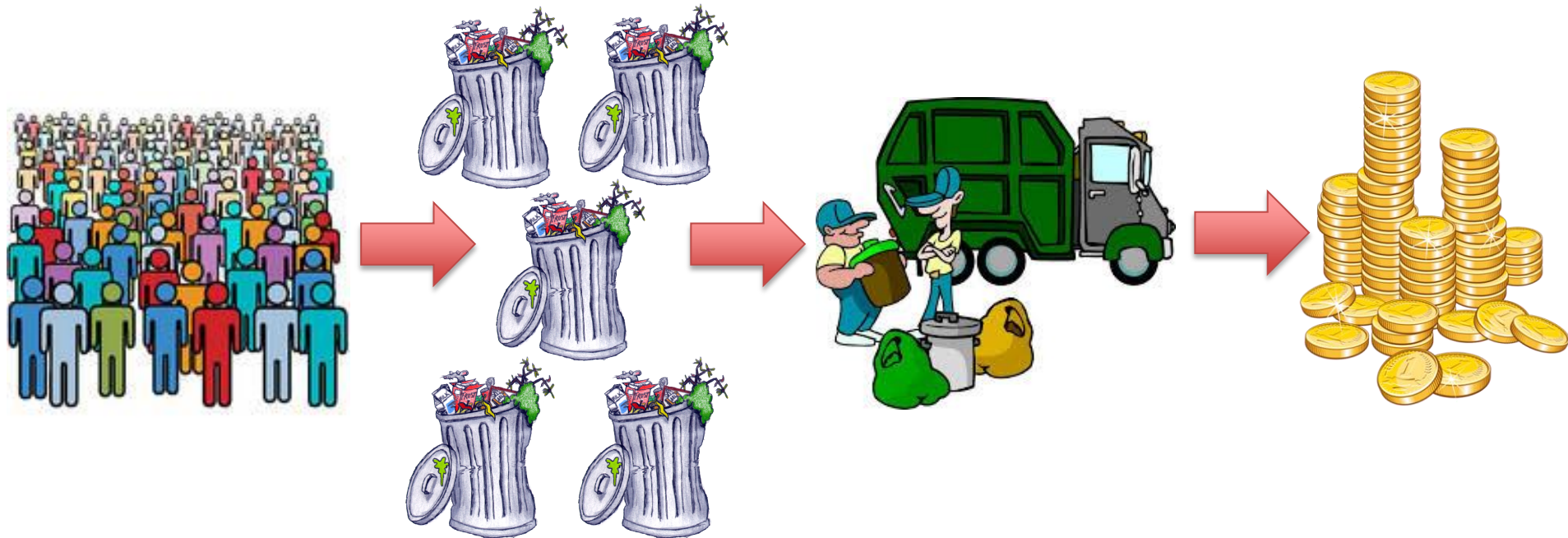
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Introduction

Global Issue



Introduction

Characteristics of current waste collection systems:

- The number of bins and the number of vehicles are generally estimated based on the number of citizens.

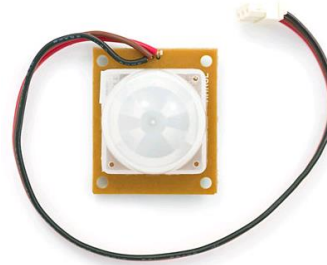
Effects:

- Or the provision of poor service
 - Or to incur in high costs
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- The collection of waste is typically fixed weekly but without taking into account the actual state of the level of fullness for each bin.

Effects:

- Or the collection of semi-empty bins
- Or the trash accumulations that cause degrading conditions of hygiene of the city.

Introduction



Spread of low cost devices or objects
having long battery life enables
monitoring of bins' fullness



What is a SWM?

On-site and in real-time monitoring

Phase 1

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Data elaboration through decisional algorithms
to apply different strategies

Phase 2

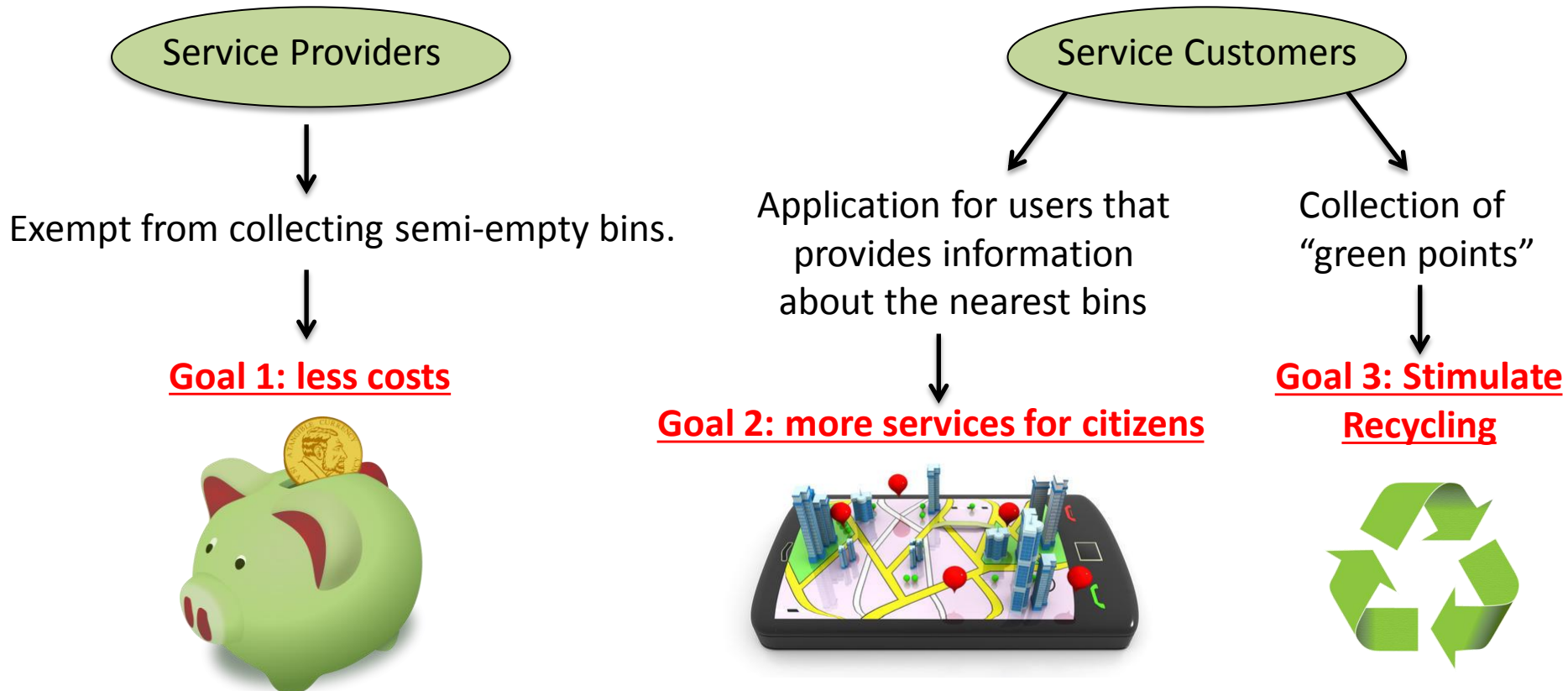
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Smart waste management

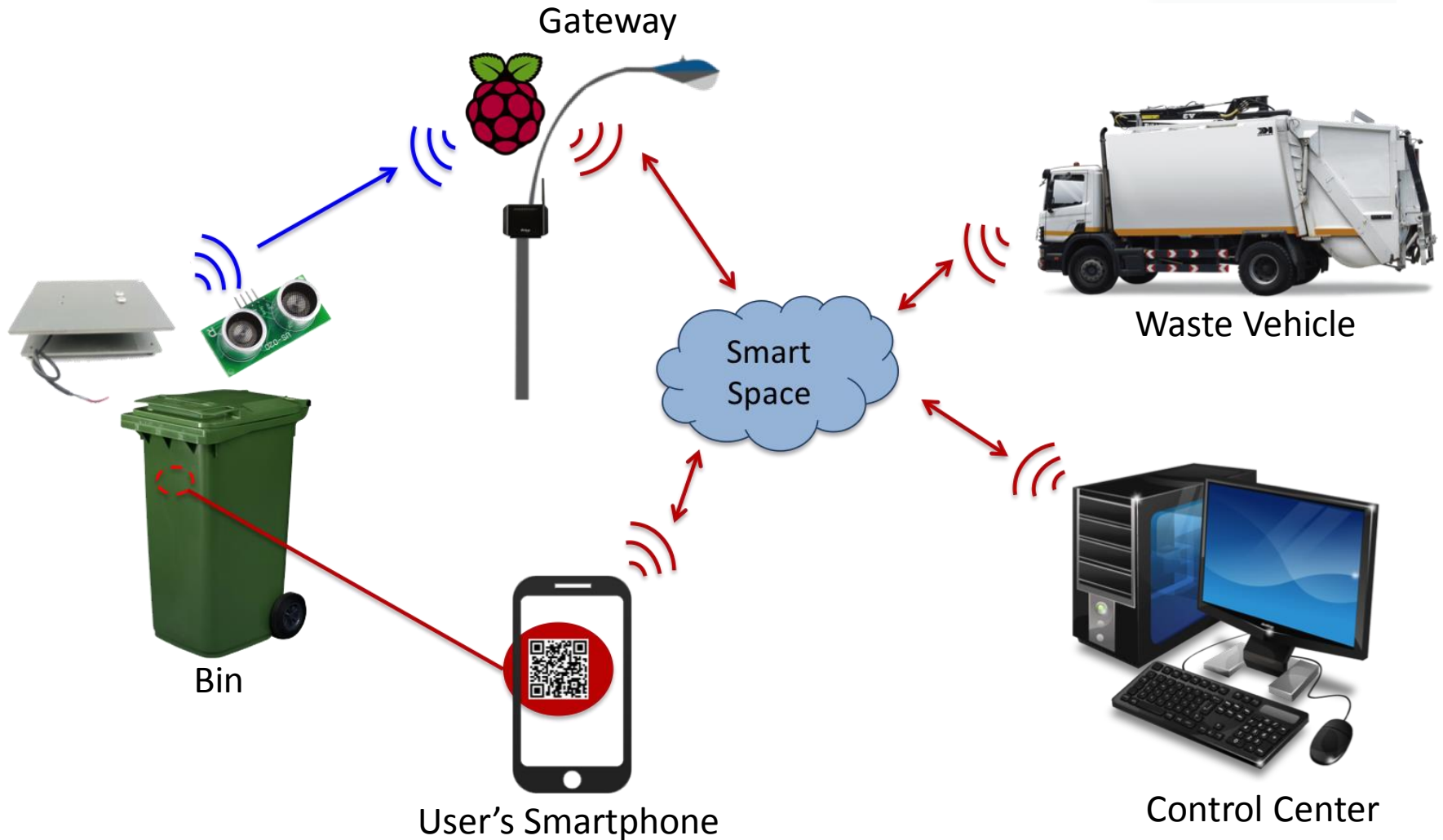
What was done?

An approach to smart waste collection is proposed able to **improve** and **optimize** the handling of solid urban waste.

Through: **Monitoring** + **Data Elaboration** & using **Smart-M3 Platform**



Hardware Architecture



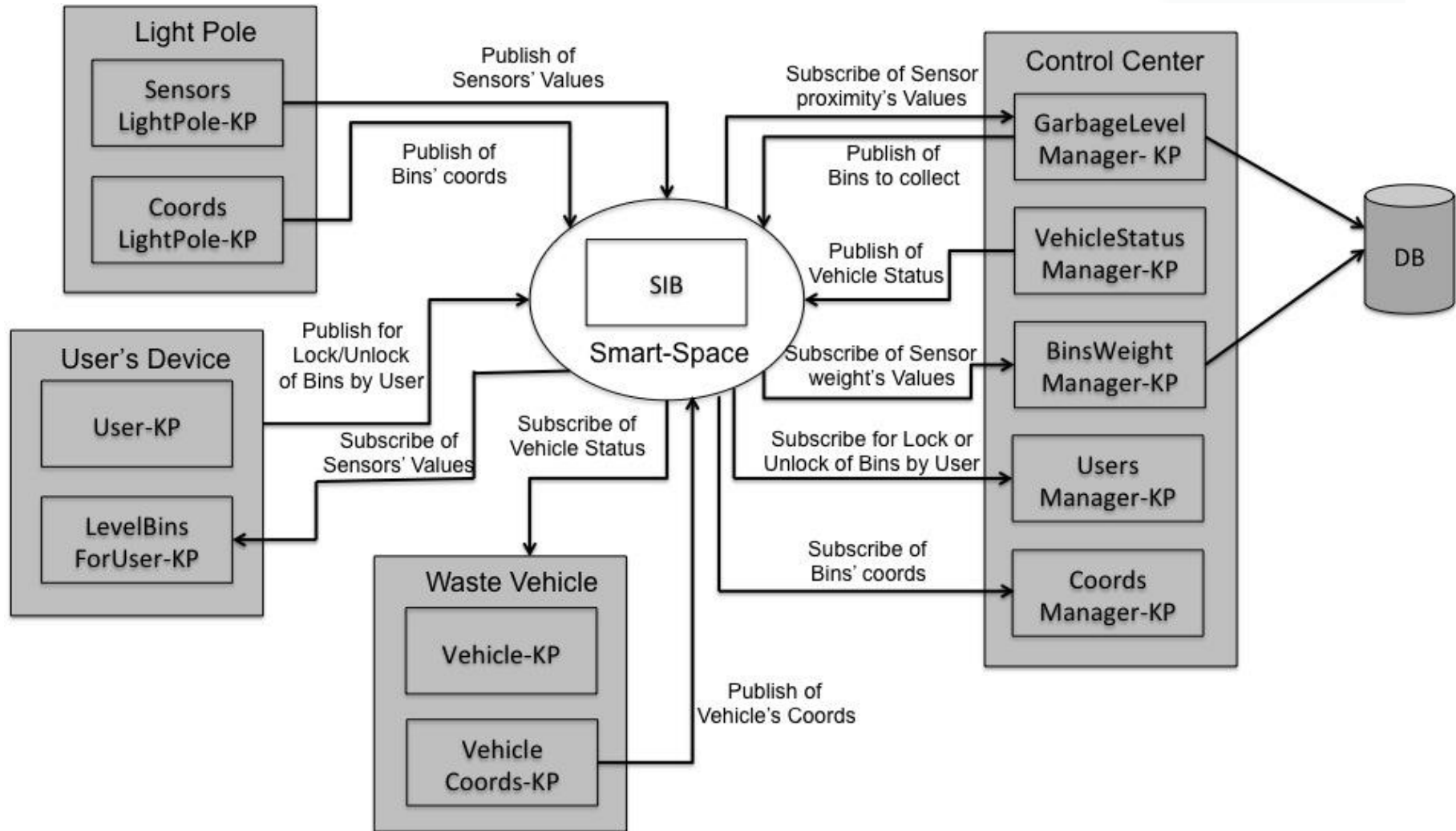
Why Smart-M3 for SWM?

Characteristics of SWM: highly dynamic, fast data production, presence of many users that require this data, heterogeneous devices.

Smart-M3 allows:

- high level of decoupling between producer and consumer of data => unawareness of all participants;
- sharing of knowledge and access to the freshest data on the monitored environment independent of the operating system or manufacturer => through the use of ontology;
- an wide range of APIs and ease of implementation;
- good degree of ease to extend and integrate different applications in similar contexts;

Software Architecture



Software Architecture

1 - Real-time monitoring for intelligent daily planning

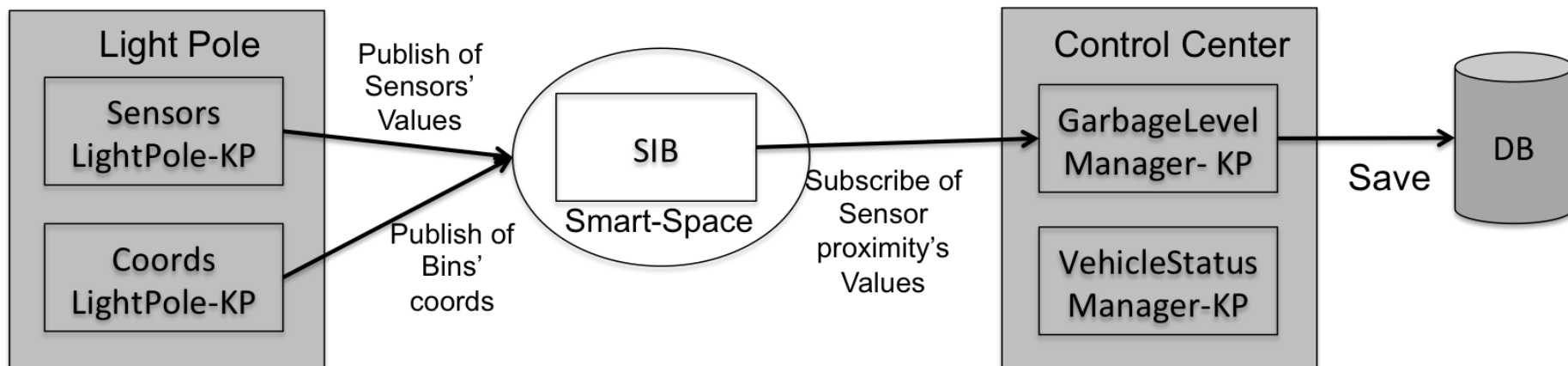
Phase 1
Monitoring

Light Pole:

- SensorsLightPole-KP updates sensor data within the smart space after operations of aggregation.
- CoordsLightPole-KP is responsible for updating the coordinates of the bins.

Control Center:

GarbageLevelManager-KP collects data from the various proximity sensors and save them for offline elaboration and time series analysis.



Software Architecture

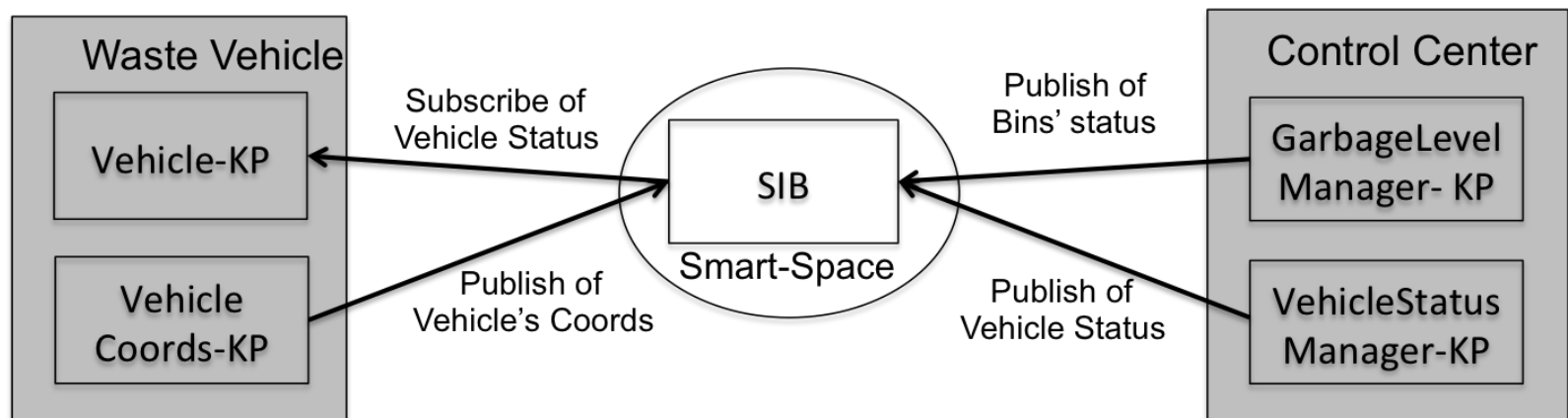
1 - Real-time monitoring for intelligent daily planning

Phase 2
Computation

Control Center:

- GarbageLevelManager-KP sets status bins to: empty, half-empty, half-full or full.
- VehicleStatusManager-KP determines if an area must, may, or doesn't require the collection and set status of vehicles to work or not work.

Waste Vehicle: obtains command to work or not work and updates its coords.



Software Architecture

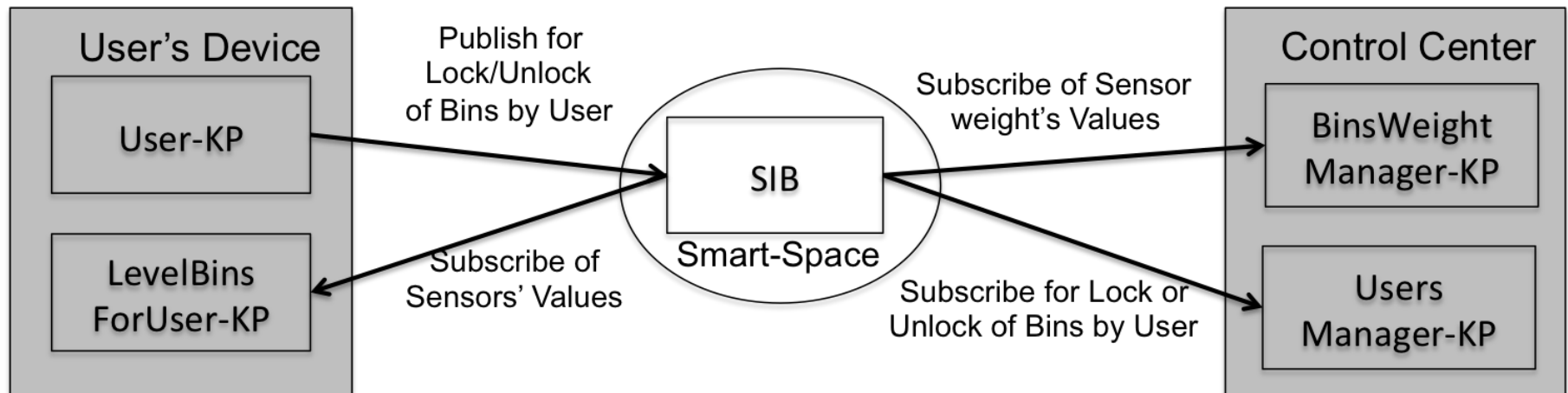
2 - Real-time monitoring and incentives for citizens

User's Device:

- LevelBinsForUser- KP notifies to users about the status of the closest bins to him according to filter options selected.
- User-KP makes an insert-query to add the access token to identify the user.

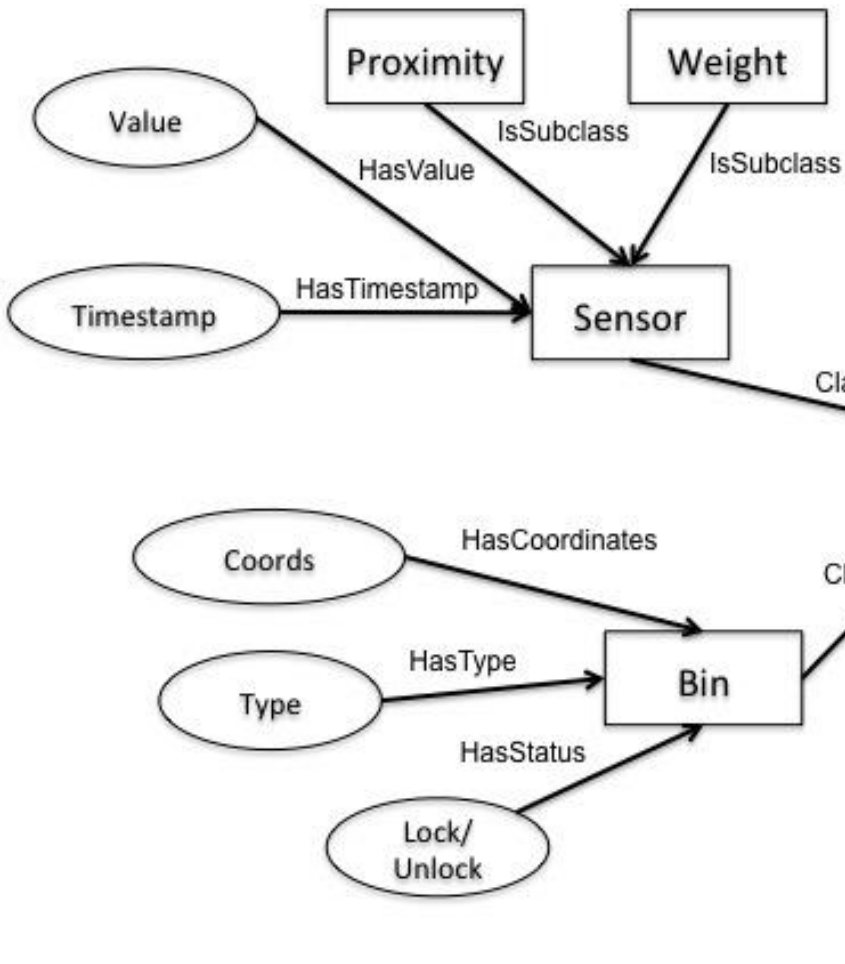
Control Center:

- The UsersManager-KP is notified when a user locks a bin.
- BinsWeightManager-KP measures the amount of trash thrown by the user and converts them in “green points”.



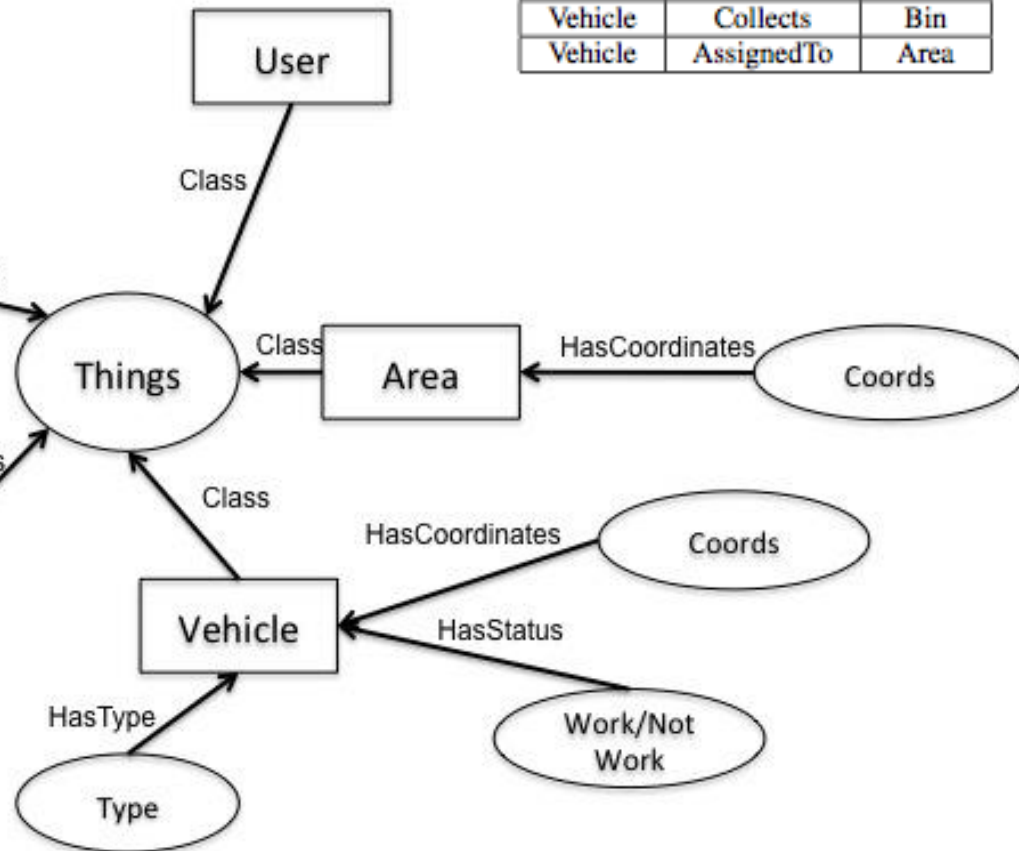
Ontology

Data Properties:

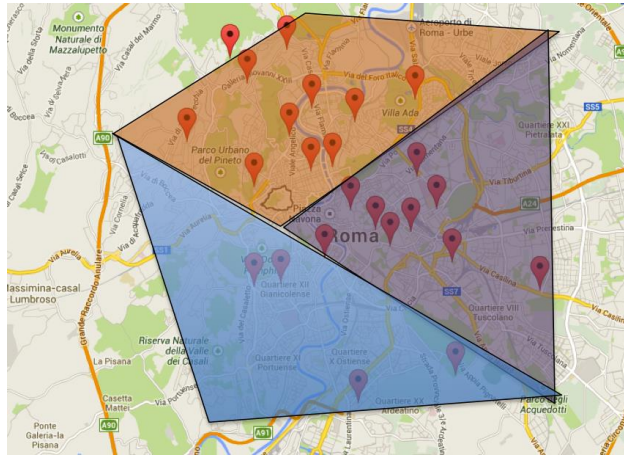


Object Properties:

Domain	Property	Range
Bin	Contains	Sensor
Bin	IsLockedBy	User
Vehicle	Collects	Bin
Vehicle	AssignedTo	Area



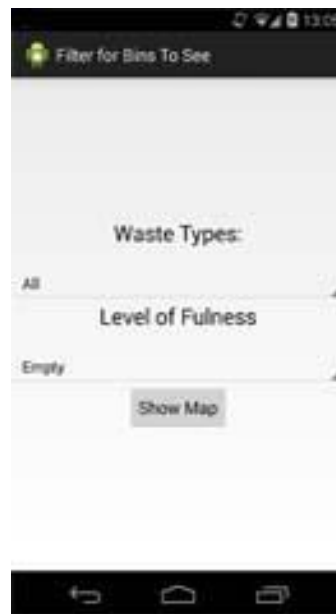
Simulation and Application



Simulation with 3 vehicles.
Bins to collect in 3 different areas of a city.

User Application:

- (a) filter search query;
- (b) bins empty near the user for different waste types;
- (c) bin lock.



(a)



(b)



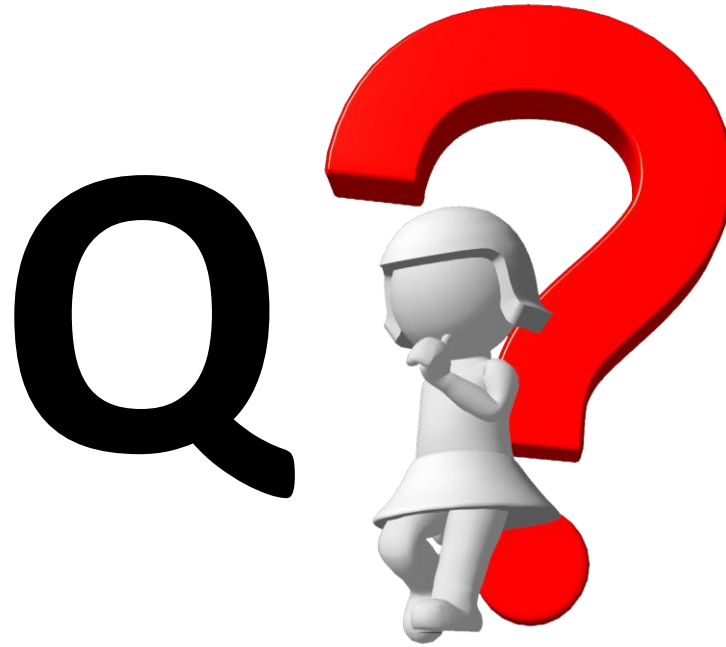
(c)

Future Research & Improvements

There are several future works and improvements:

- Modify the users authentication and atomic lock of bins during the collection of green-point in accordance with Smart-M3's features.
- Implement graphical interfaces for the control center and complete Android applications.
- Extend the system adding other use cases and applications for smart cities (ex. smart traffic monitoring).
- Study of models that offer the best results in terms of decision-making and optimal route for vehicles.

Thanks For Your Attention!



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