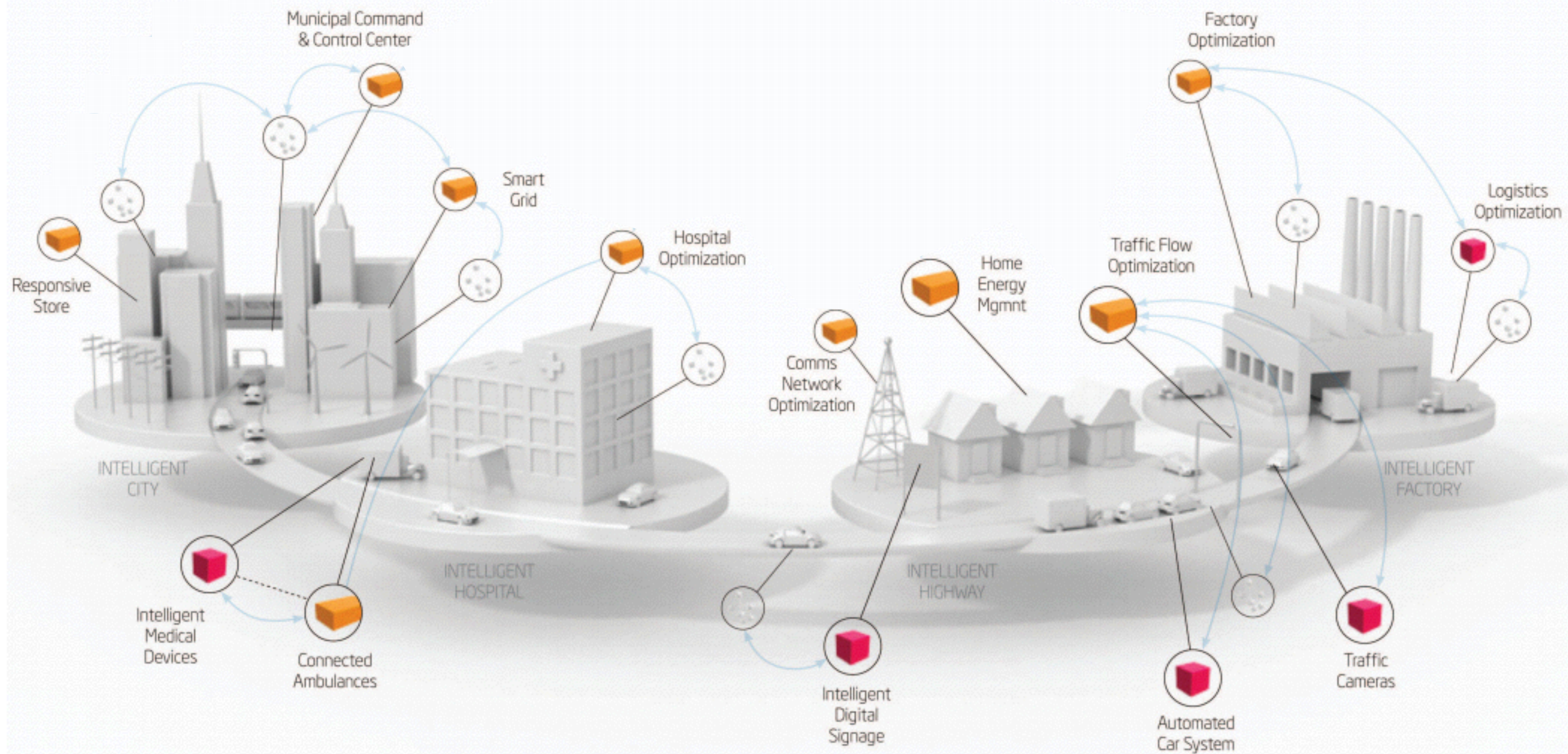


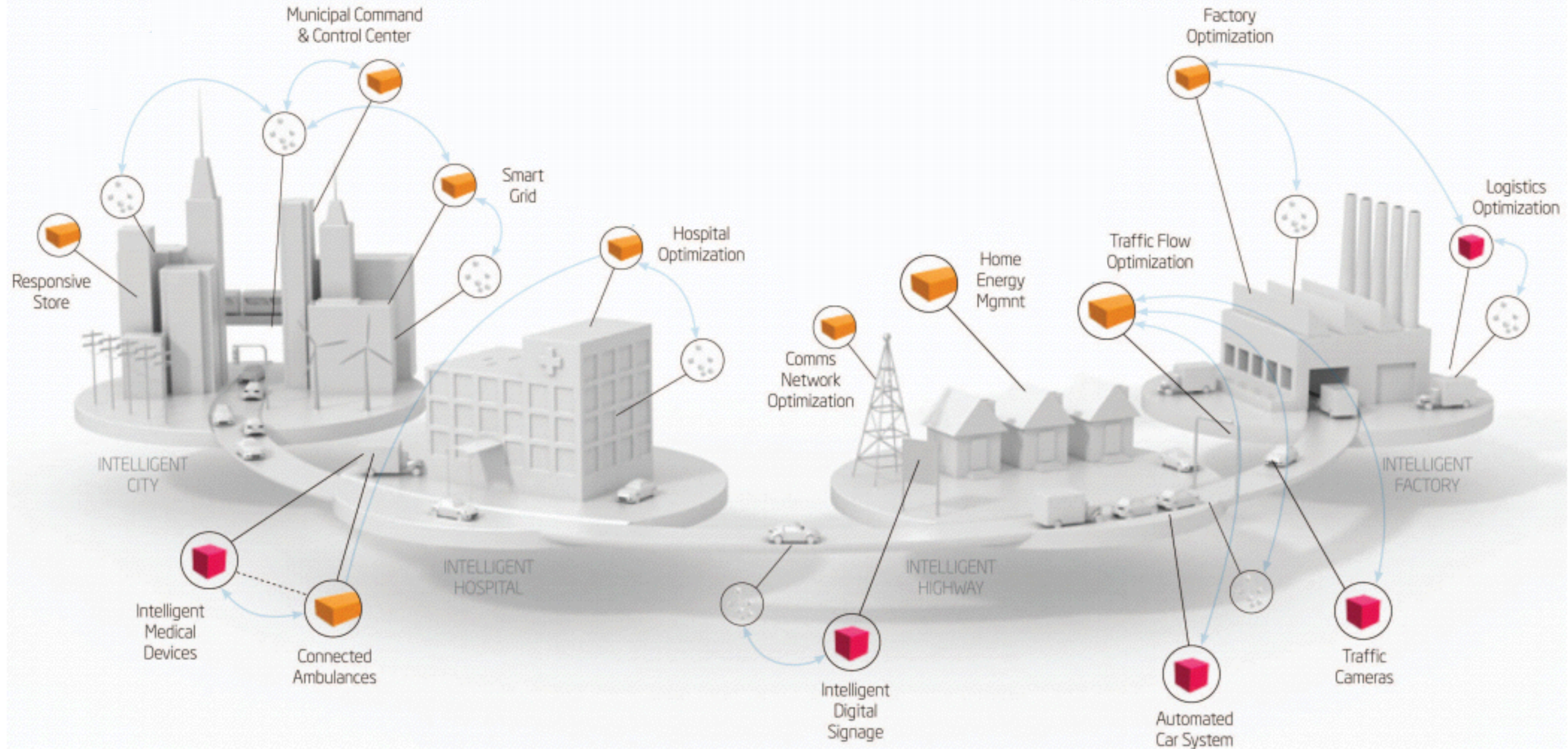


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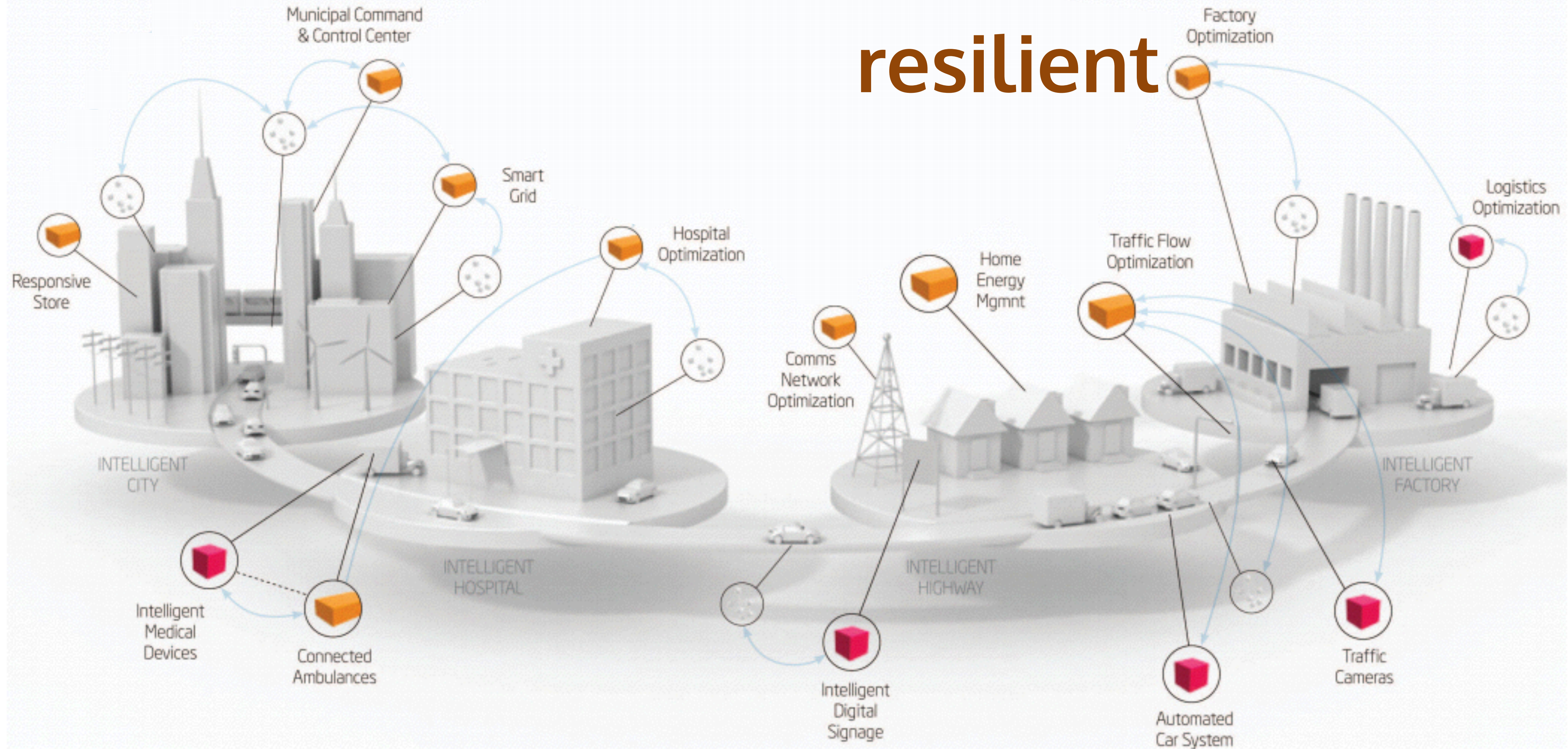
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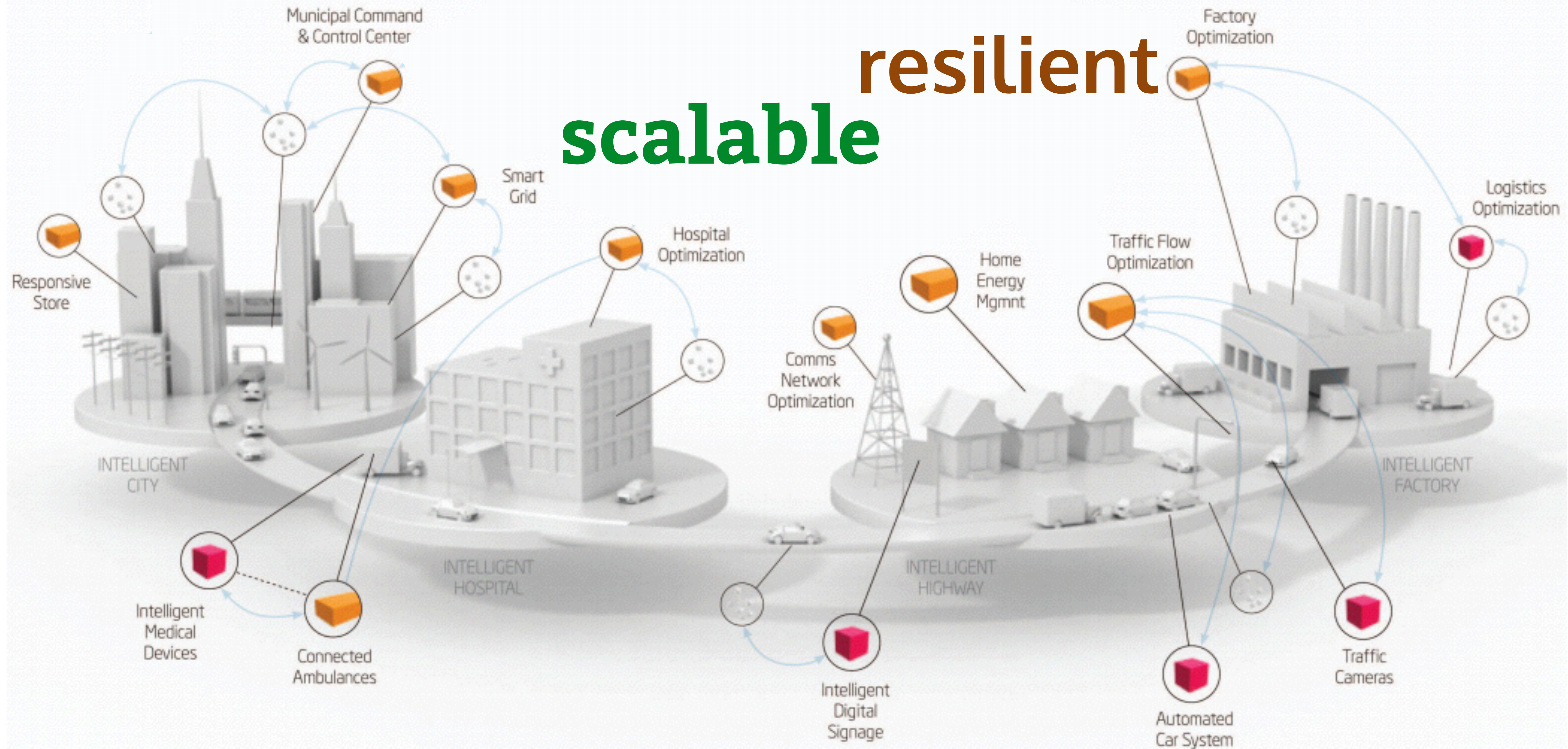
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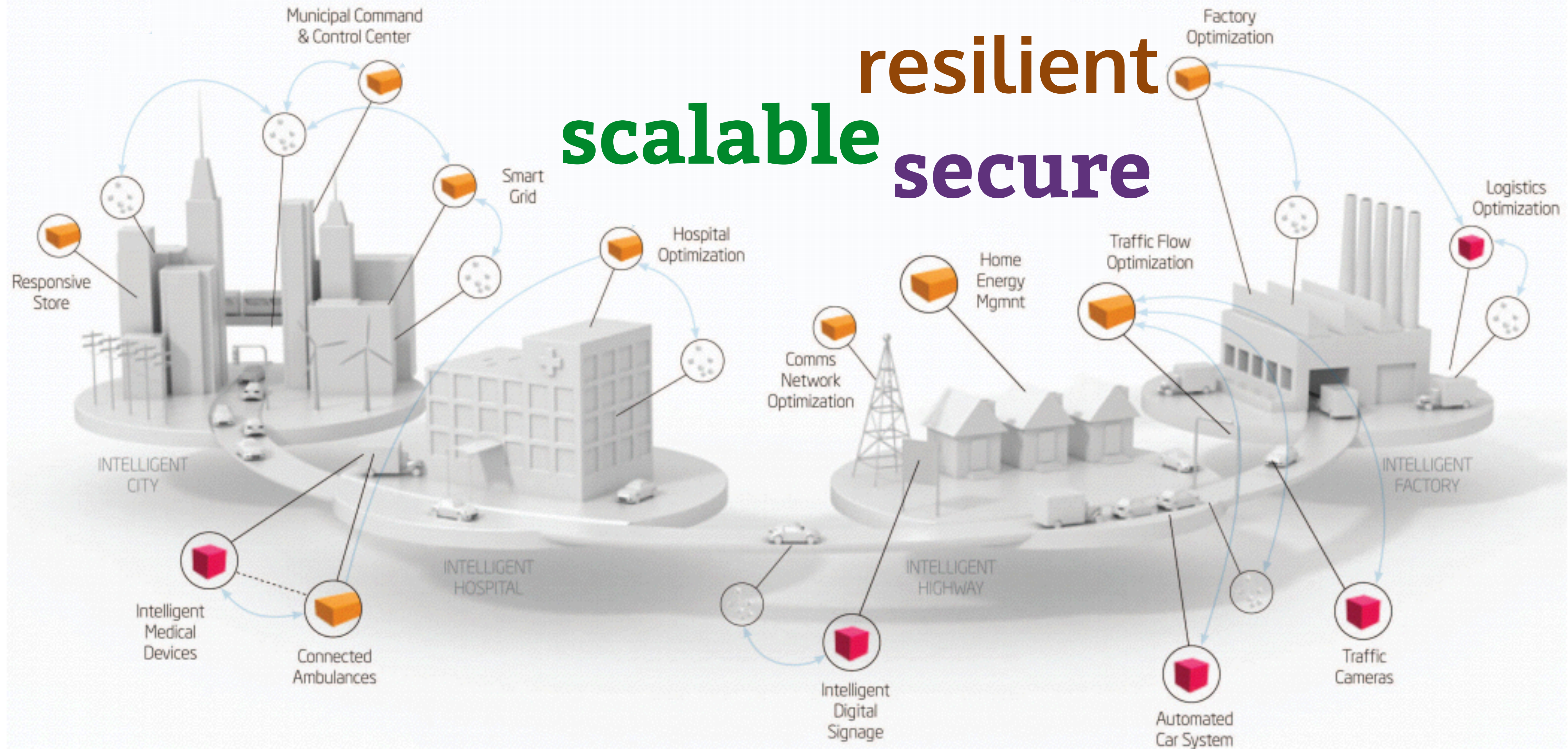
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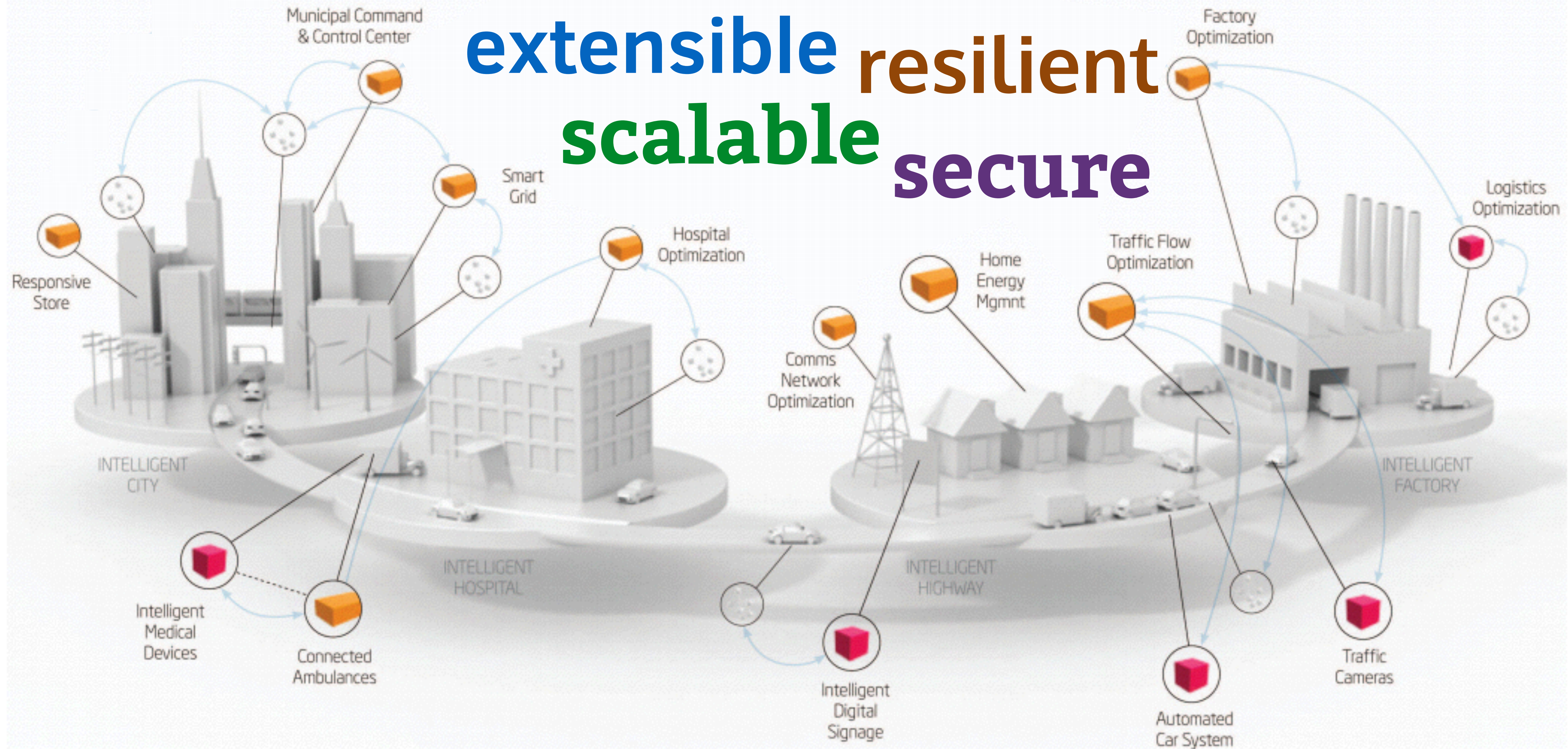
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Architectural Trends

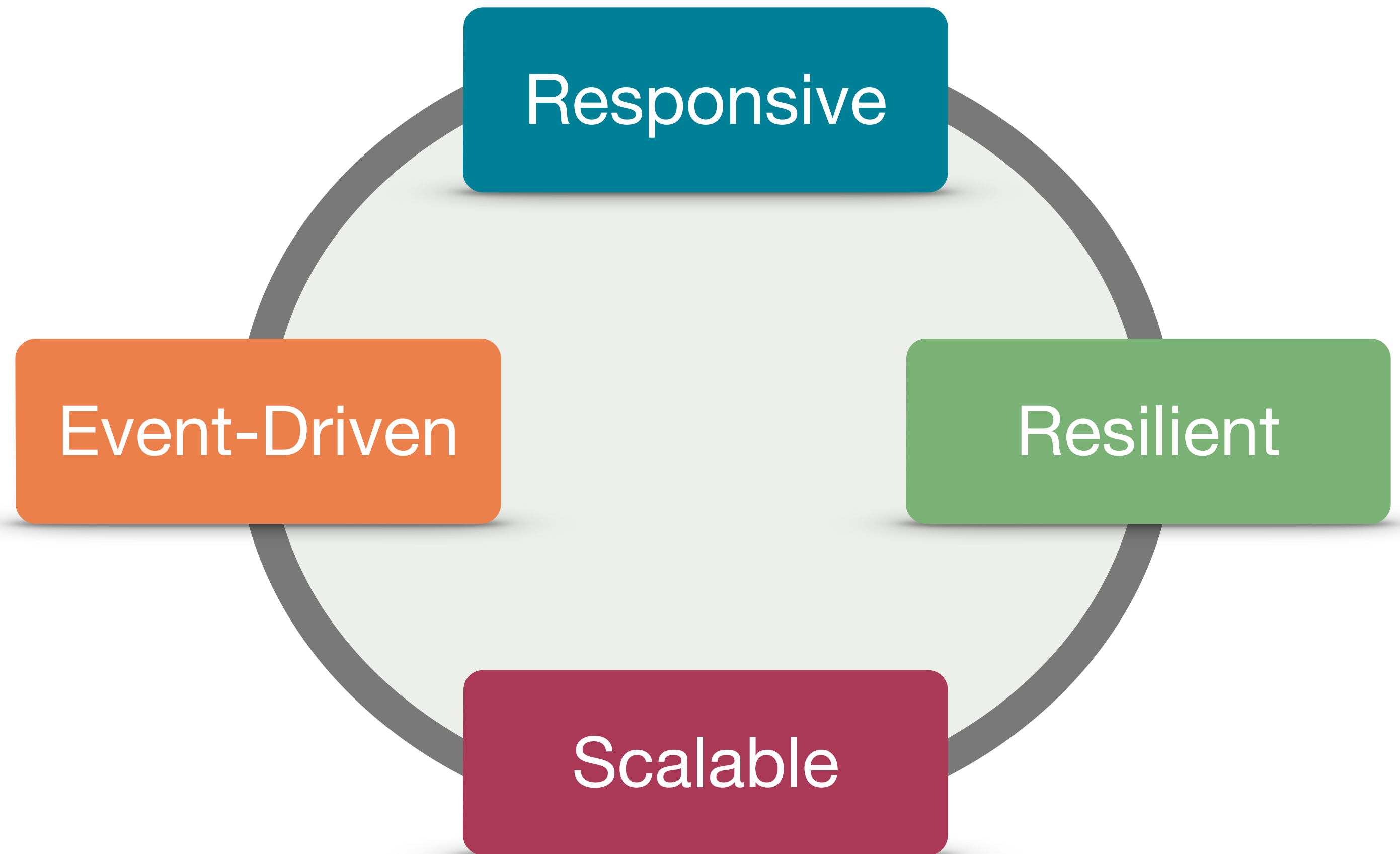
The Importance Of **BEING** **REACTIVE**

Up to recently Reactive Systems were mainstream only domains such as Industrial, Military, Telco, Finance and Aerospace

Challenges imposed by the **Internet of Things** and **Big Data Applications** an increasing number of architects and developers is recognising the importance of the techniques and technologies used for building Reactive Systems

REACTIVE MANIFESTO

<http://datacentricmanifesto.org>



The Importance Of **BEING** **DATA-CENTRIC**

The prevailing application-/service-centric mindset by focusing on the **control-flow** as opposed than the data-flow has lead to design systems that are **hard to extend, scale and make fault-tolerant**

An increasing number of architects has realised that the remedy is to change the main point of attention: **Data is the centre of the universe** — applications are ephemeral

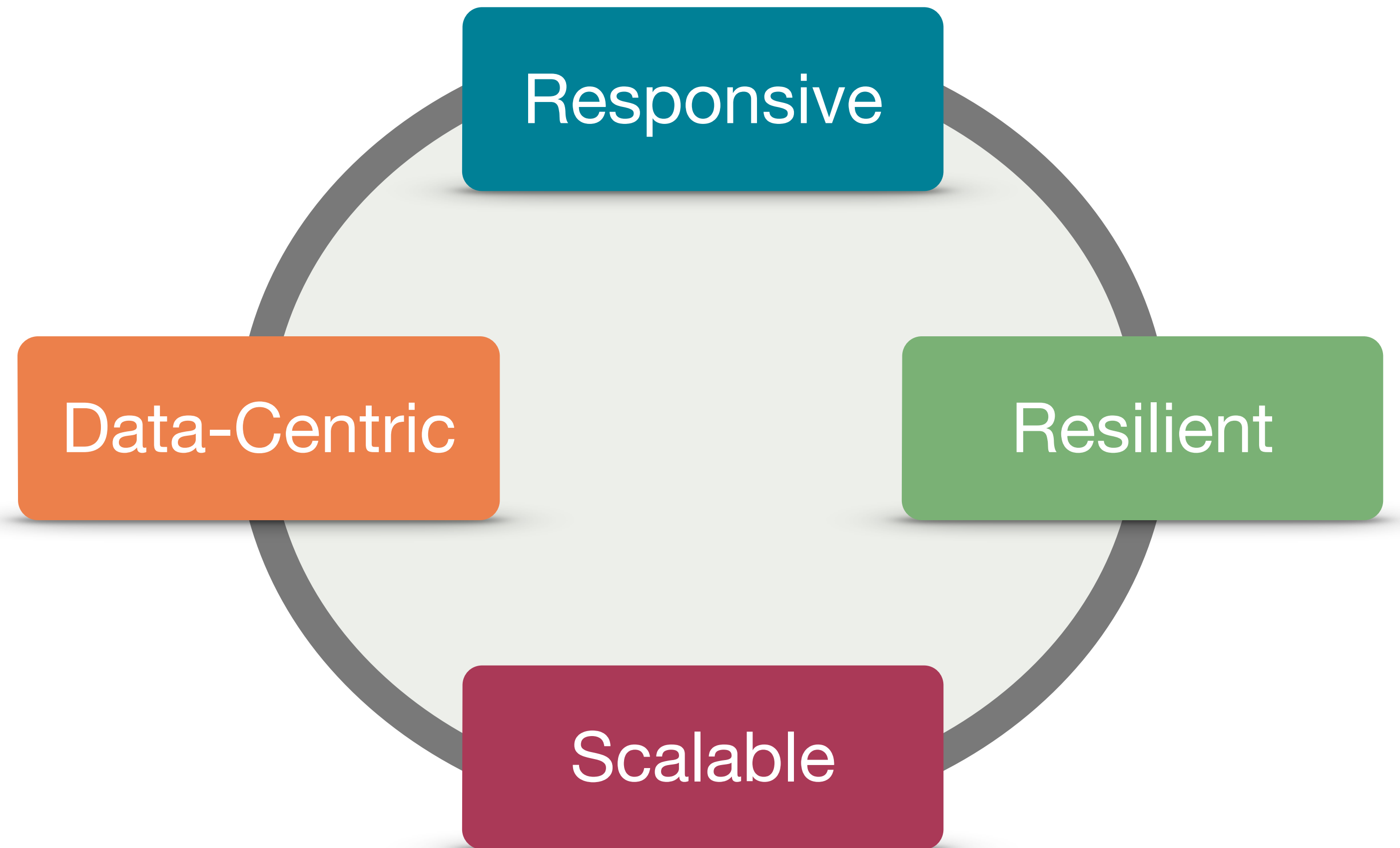
DATA-CENTRIC MANIFESTO

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The data-centric revolution puts data at the centre of the system

Applications are optional visitors to the data

DATA-CENTRIC REACTIVE MANIFESTO



DATA-CENTRIC REACTIVE MANIFESTO

Data-Centric: data is what matters.
Application autonomously and
asynchronously transform data

Responsive: Timely react to stimuli

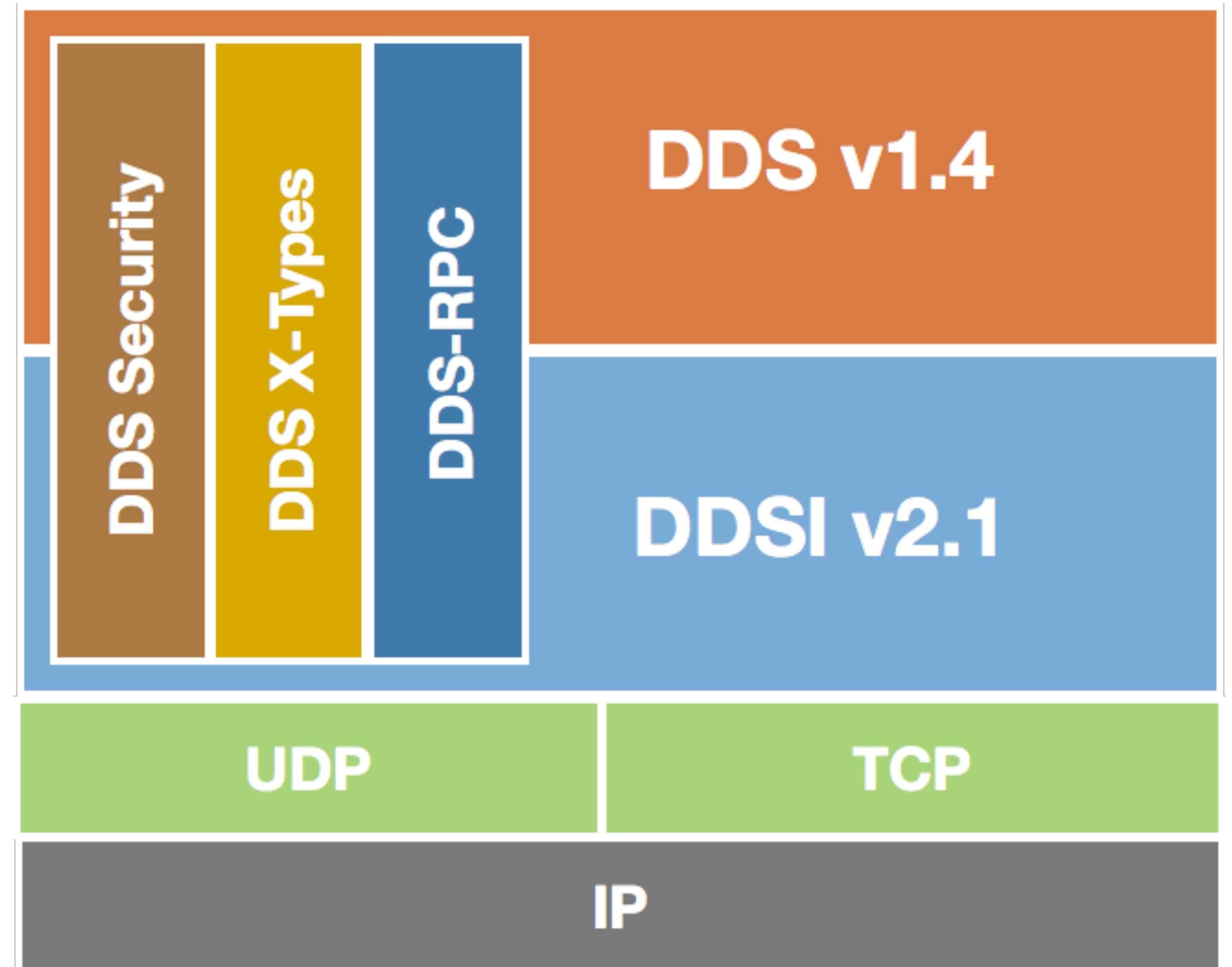
Resilient: Tolerate failures functionally
and ideally temporally

Scalable: Gracefully scale up and down
depending on load demands

The DDS Standard



STANDARD





ADOPTION



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE



EUROCONTROL



Federal Ministry
of Defence



SMART FARMING



10:35 AM

CURRENT CONDITIONS

64° 53%

TEMP

HUMIDITY



PARTLY CLOUDY

SMART CITIES

TOTAL DAILY VISITS (1 MONTH)

HUMIDITY

TEMPERATURE

TOTAL VISITS TODAY

6222 ↑

CURRENT CHAIR OCCUPANCY

65% ↑

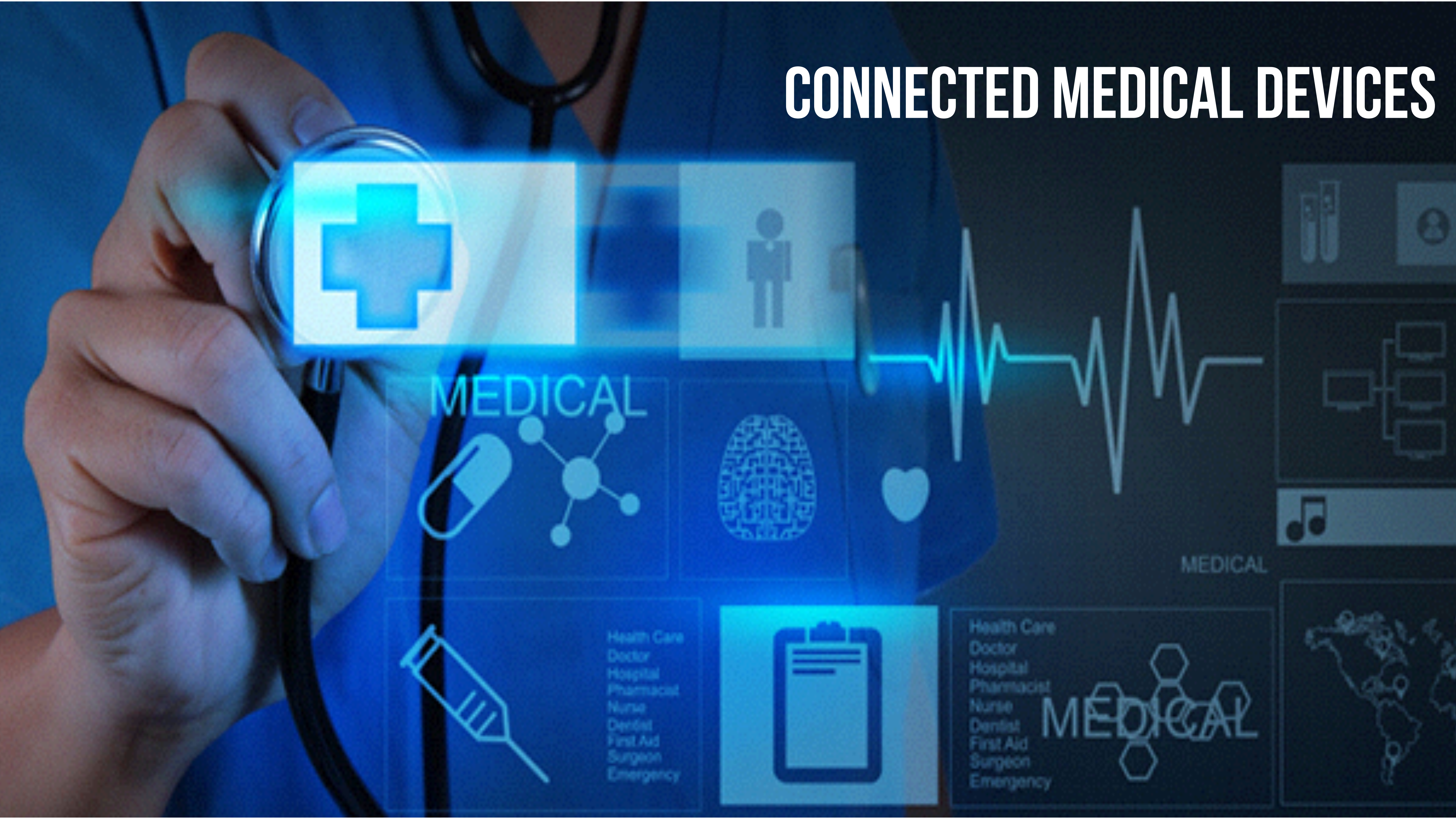
OCCUPANCY @ TABLES

43% ↓

OCCUPANCY @ BENCHES

23% ↑

CONNECTED MEDICAL DEVICES



SMART GRIDS AND POWER GENERATION



EUROPEAN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL



DDS is the standard recommended by
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flight data sharing

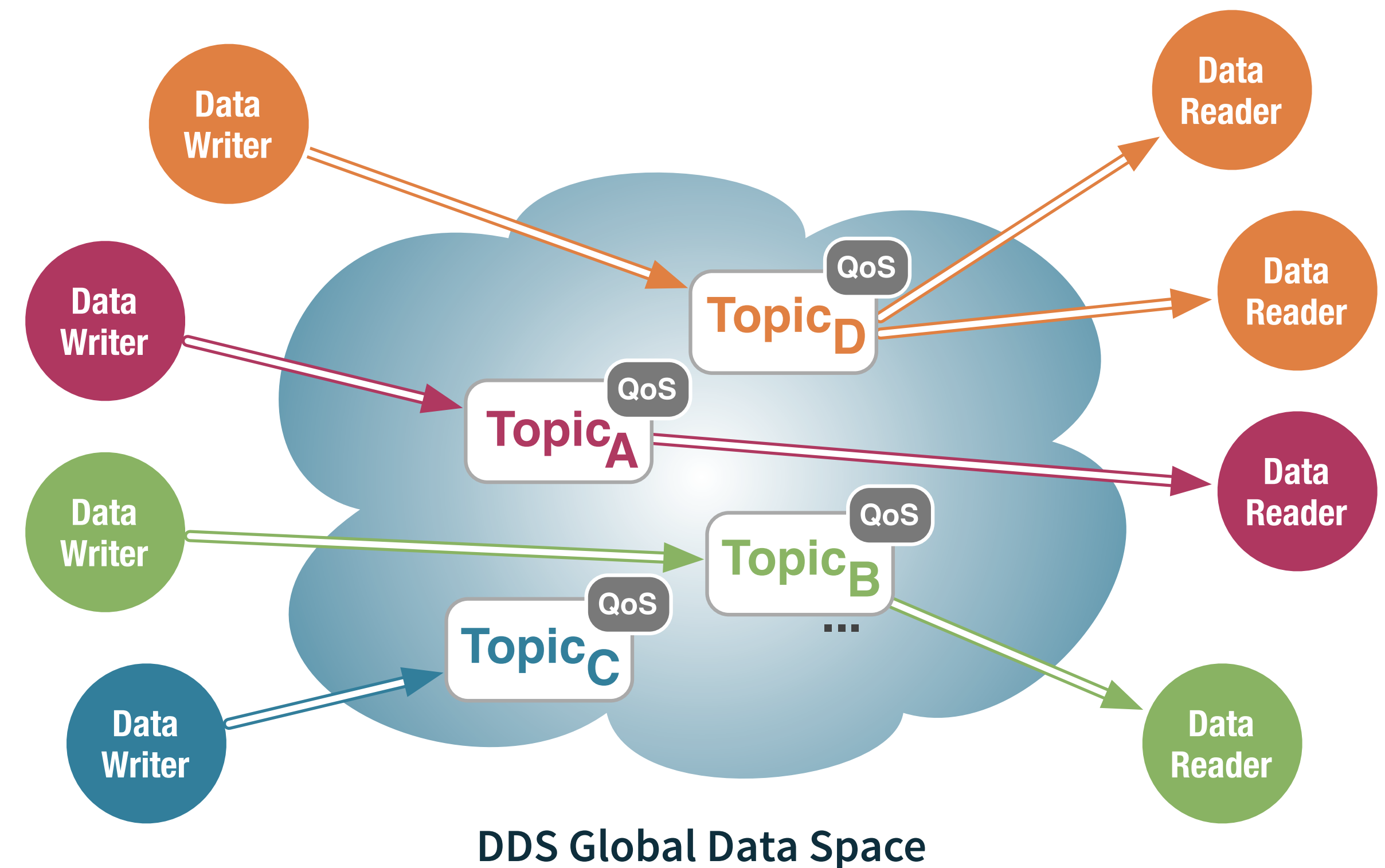
Reactive Data-Centric Systems with DDS

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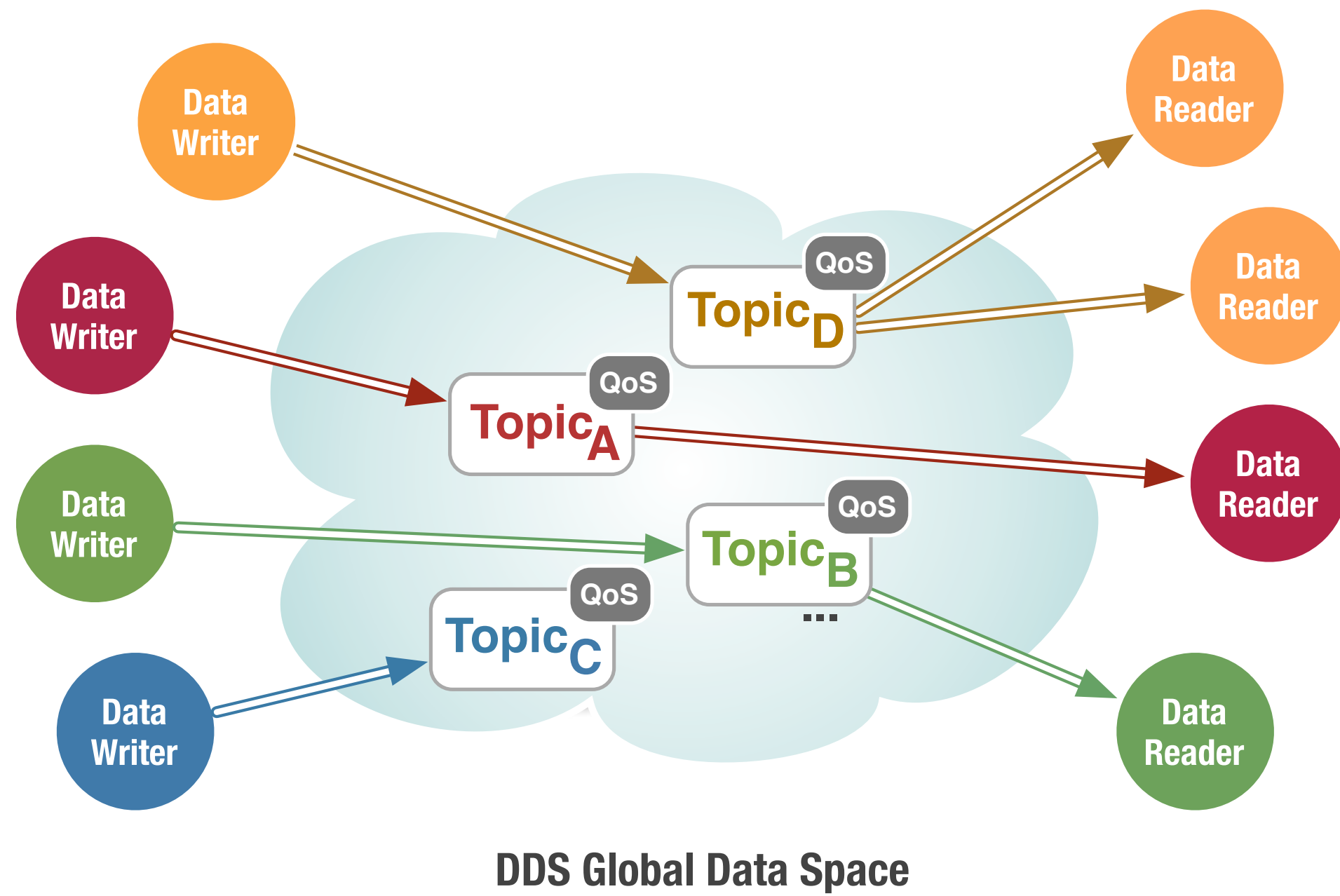
Data Centricity in DDS

High Level Abstraction

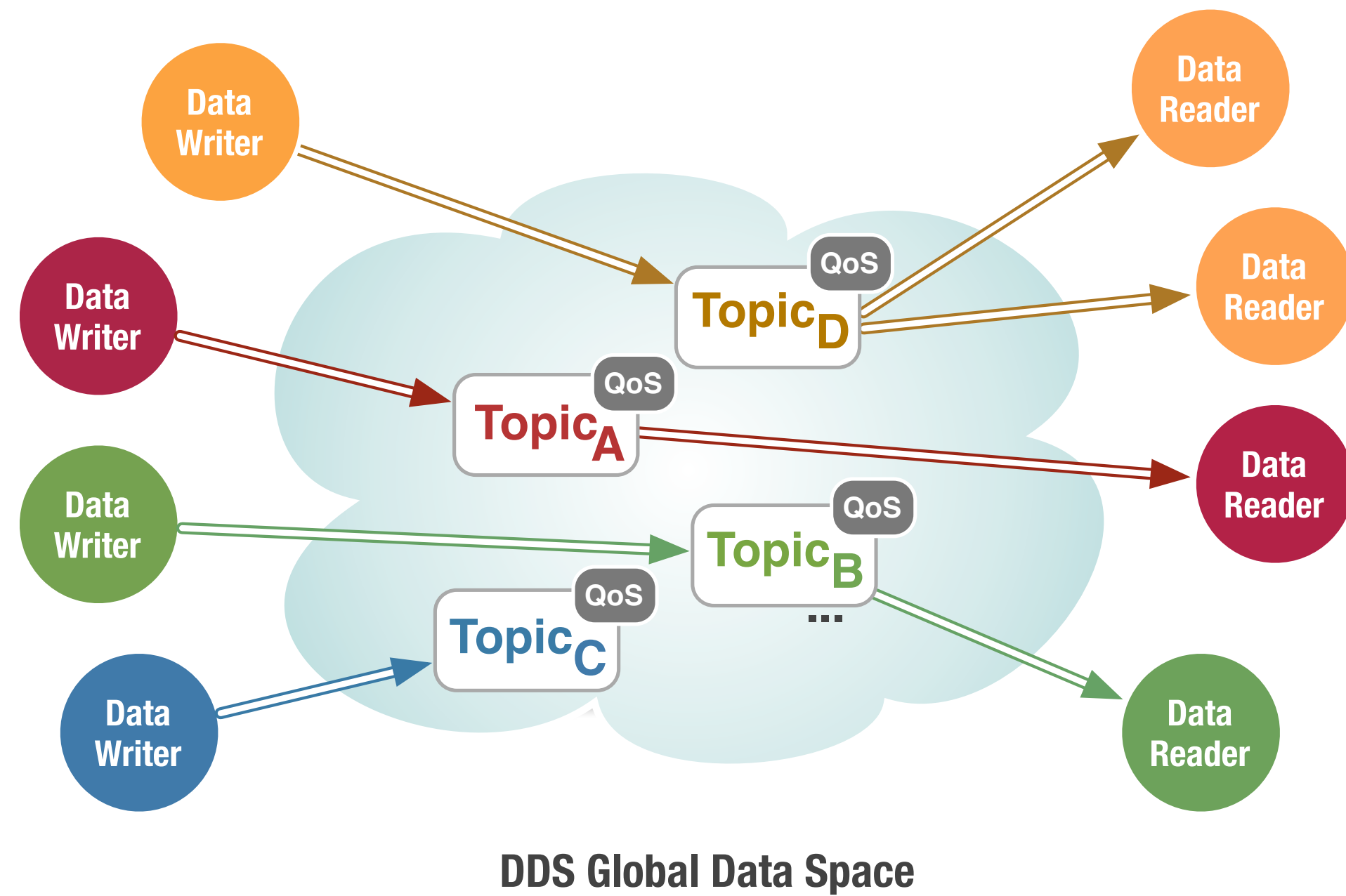
- DDS provides a **Distributed Data Space** abstraction where **applications** can **autonomously** and **asynchronously** read and write **data** enjoying **spatial** and **temporal decoupling**
- Its built-in **dynamic discovery** **isolates applications** from **network topology** and **connectivity details**
- DDS' Data Space is **completely decentralised**



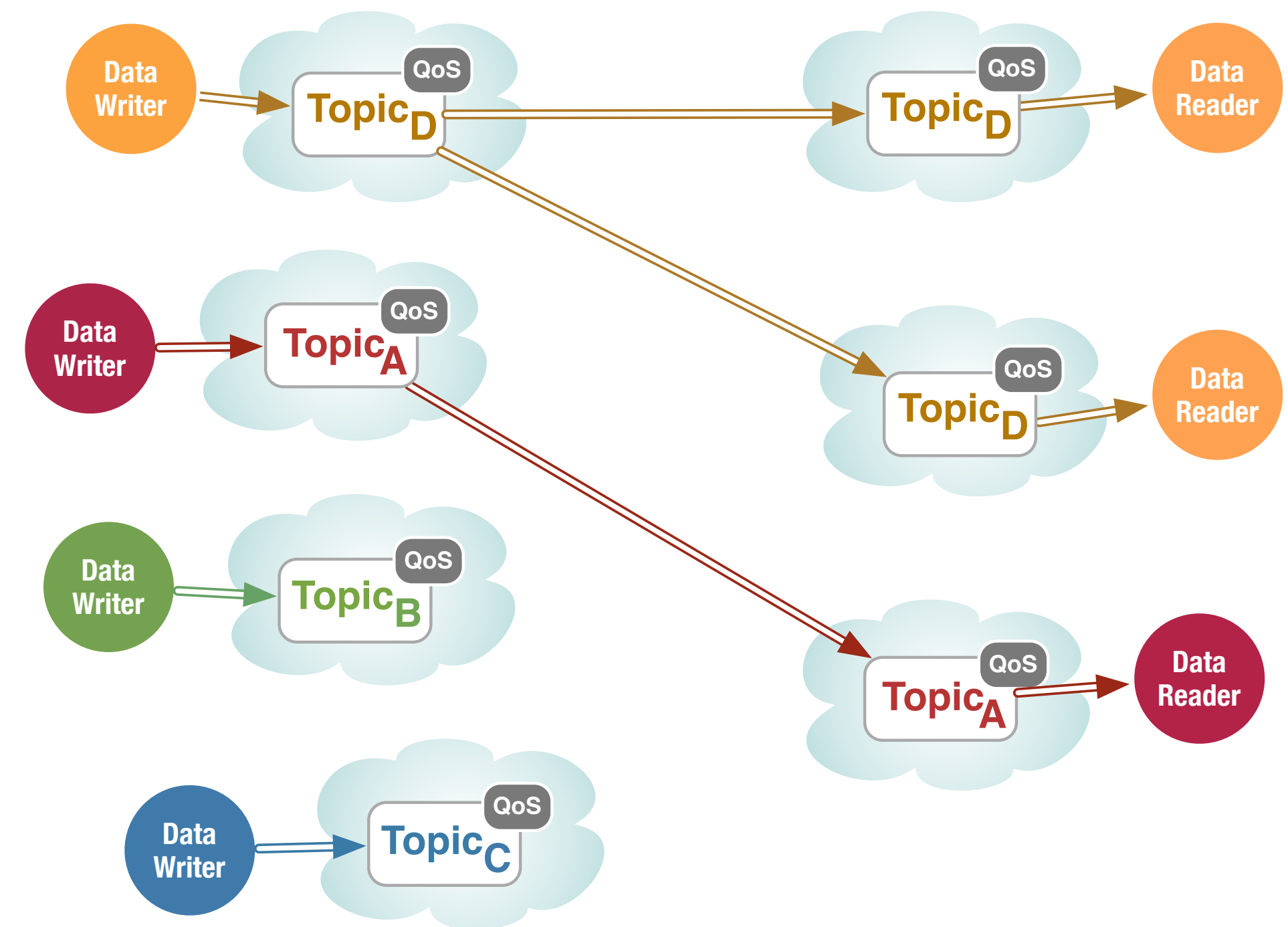
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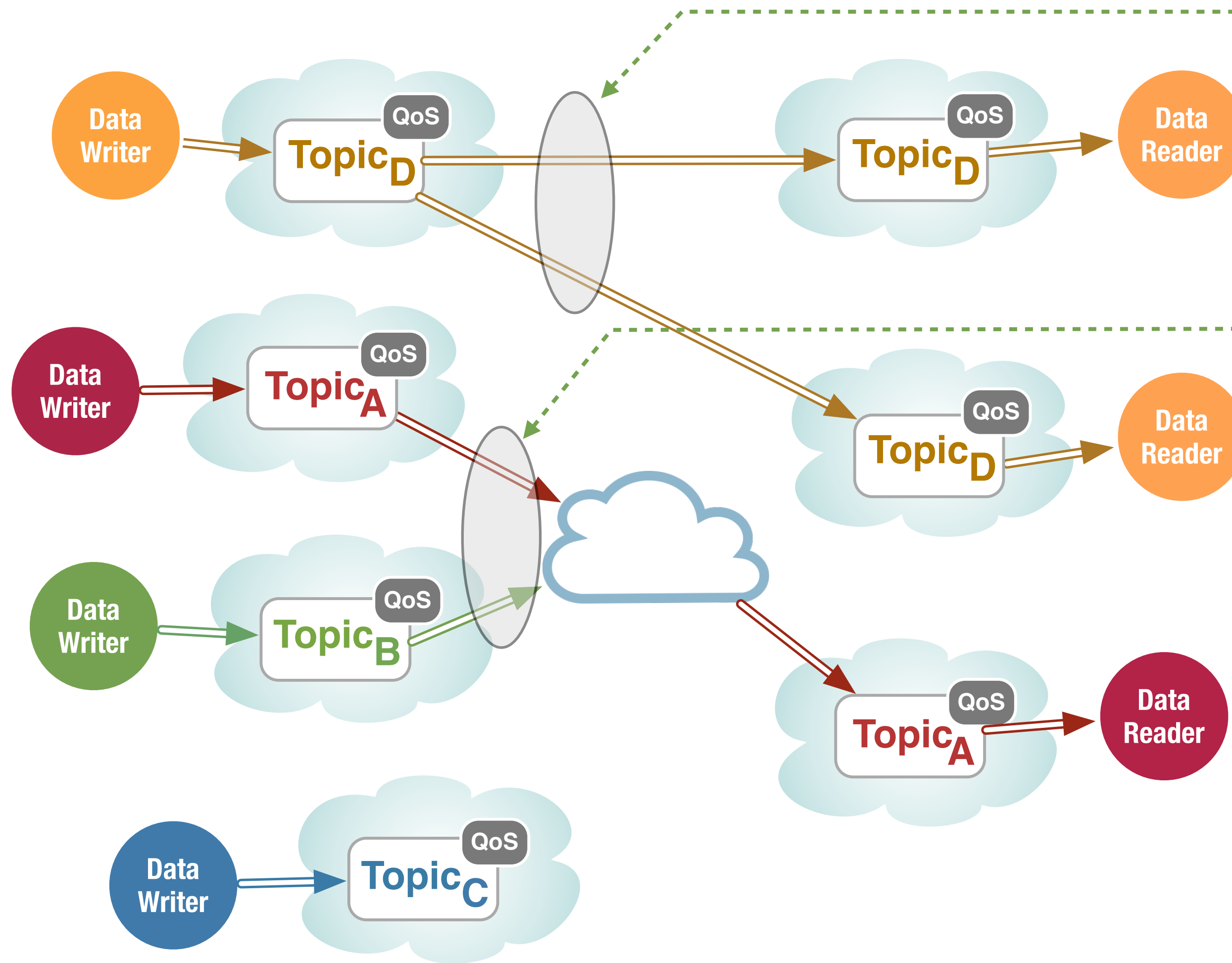


Conceptual Model



Actual Implementation



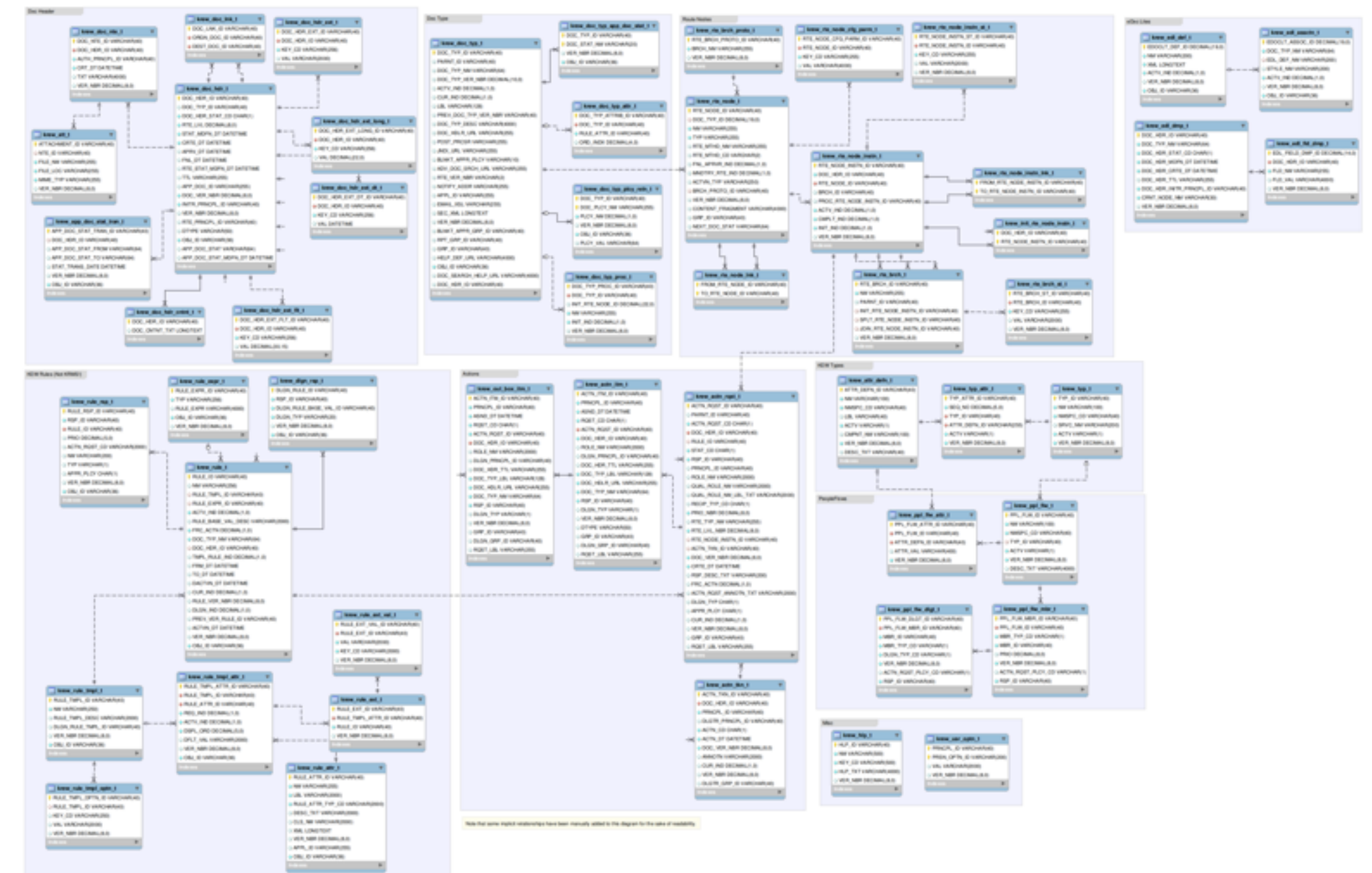


The communication between the DataWriter and matching DataReaders can be peer-to-peer exploiting UDP/IP (Unicast and Multicast) or TCP/IP

The communication between the DataWriter and matching DataReaders can be “brokered” but still exploiting UDP/IP (Unicast and Multicast) or TCP/IP

Data Centricity

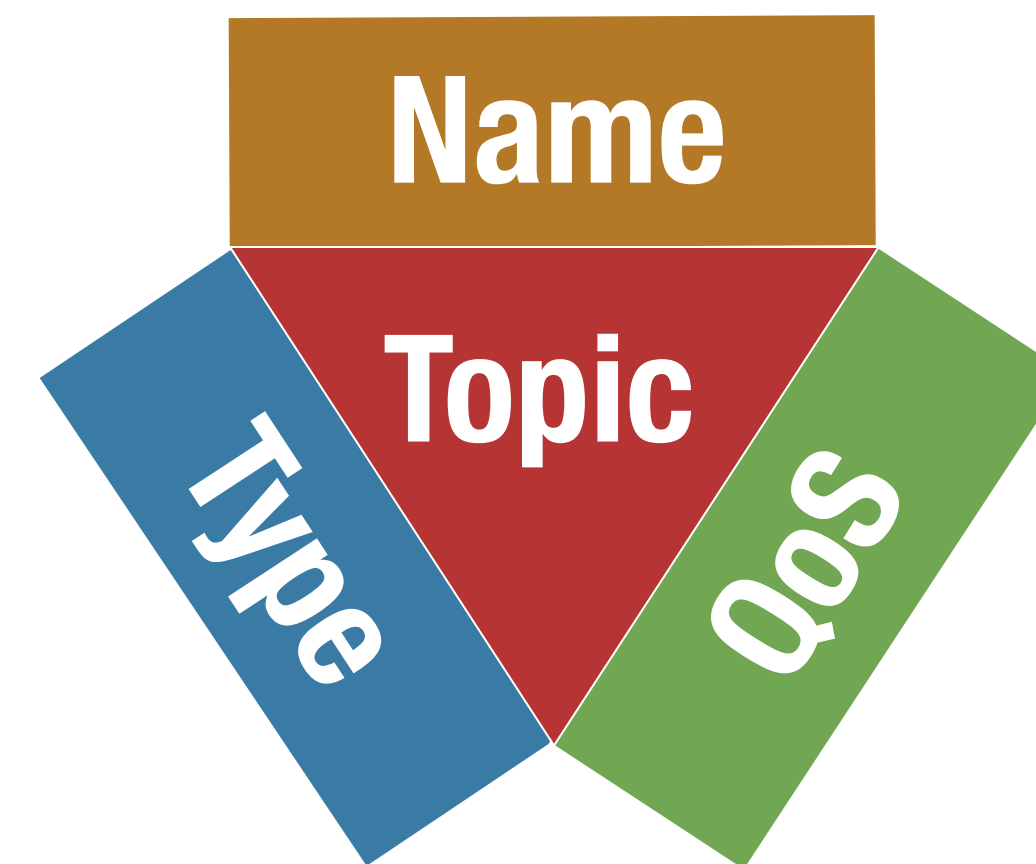
- DDS supports the definition of **Data Models**.
- These data models allow to **naturally represent physical and virtual entities characterising the application domain**
- DDS types are extensible and evolvable, thus allowing incremental updates and upgrades



Topic

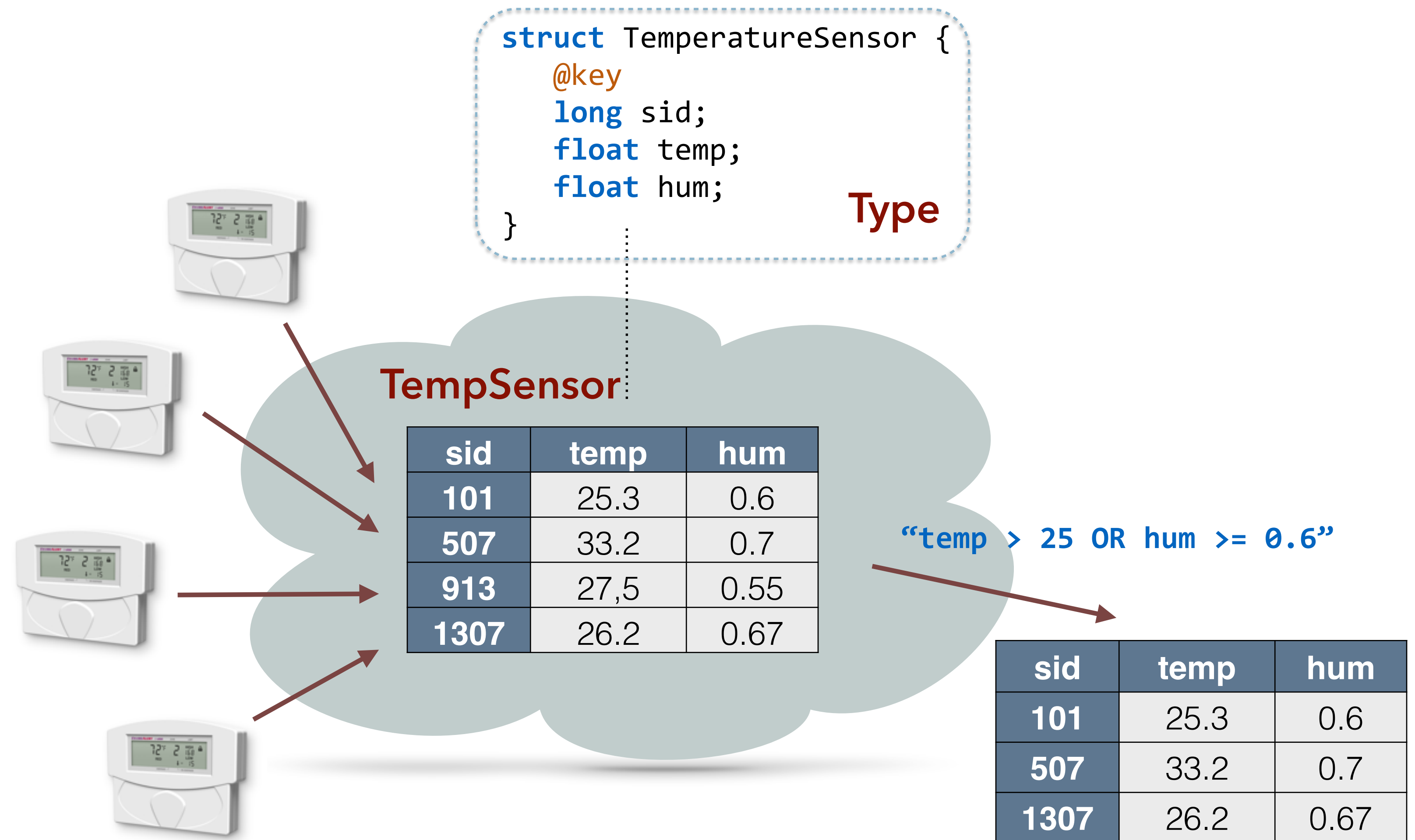
- A Topic defines a **domain-wide** information's class
- A **Topic** is defined by means of a (name, type, qos) tuple, where
 - **name:** identifies the topic within the domain
 - **type:** is the programming language type associated with the topic. Types are extensible and evolvable
 - **qos:** is a collection of policies that express the non-functional properties of this topic, e.g. reliability, persistence, etc.

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struct TemperatureSensor {  
    @key  
    long sid;  
    float temp;  
    float hum;  
}
```



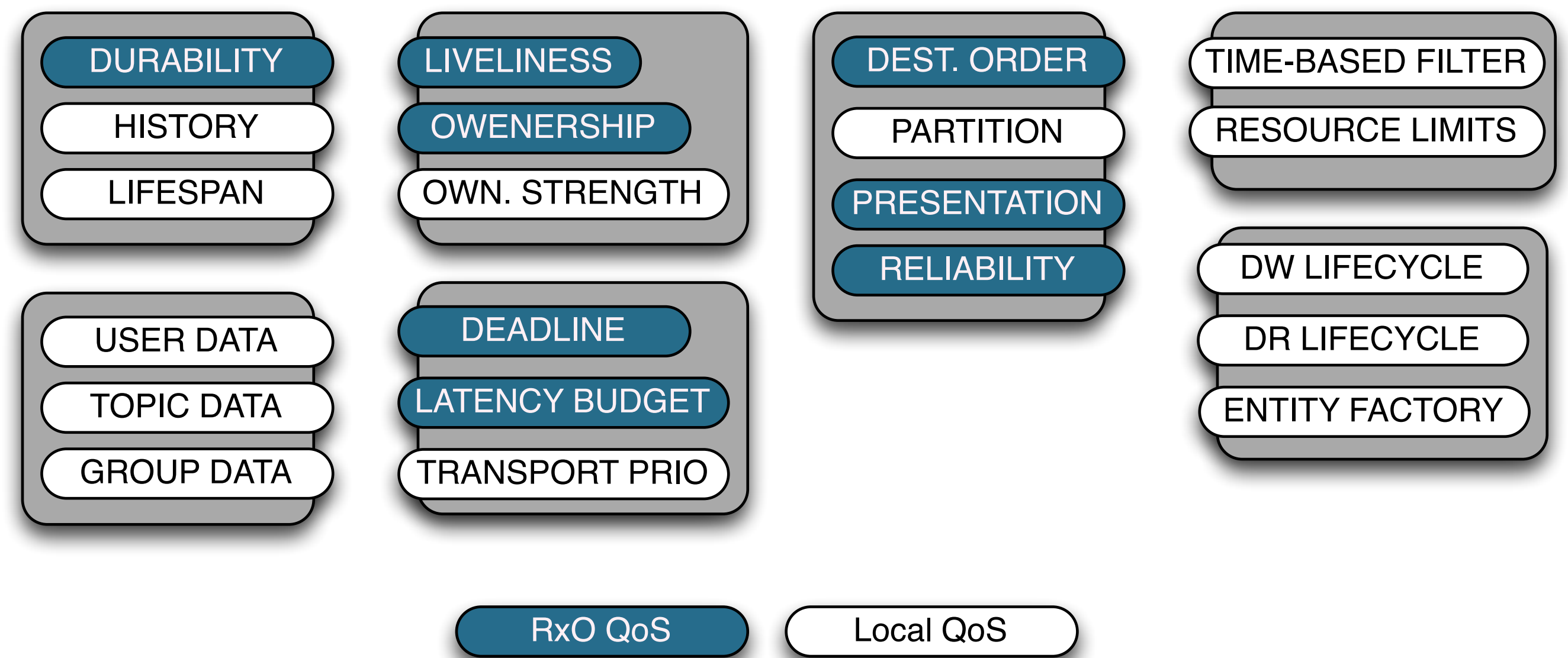
Content Awareness

- DDS “knows” about application data types and uses this information provide type-safety and content-based routing



QoS Policies

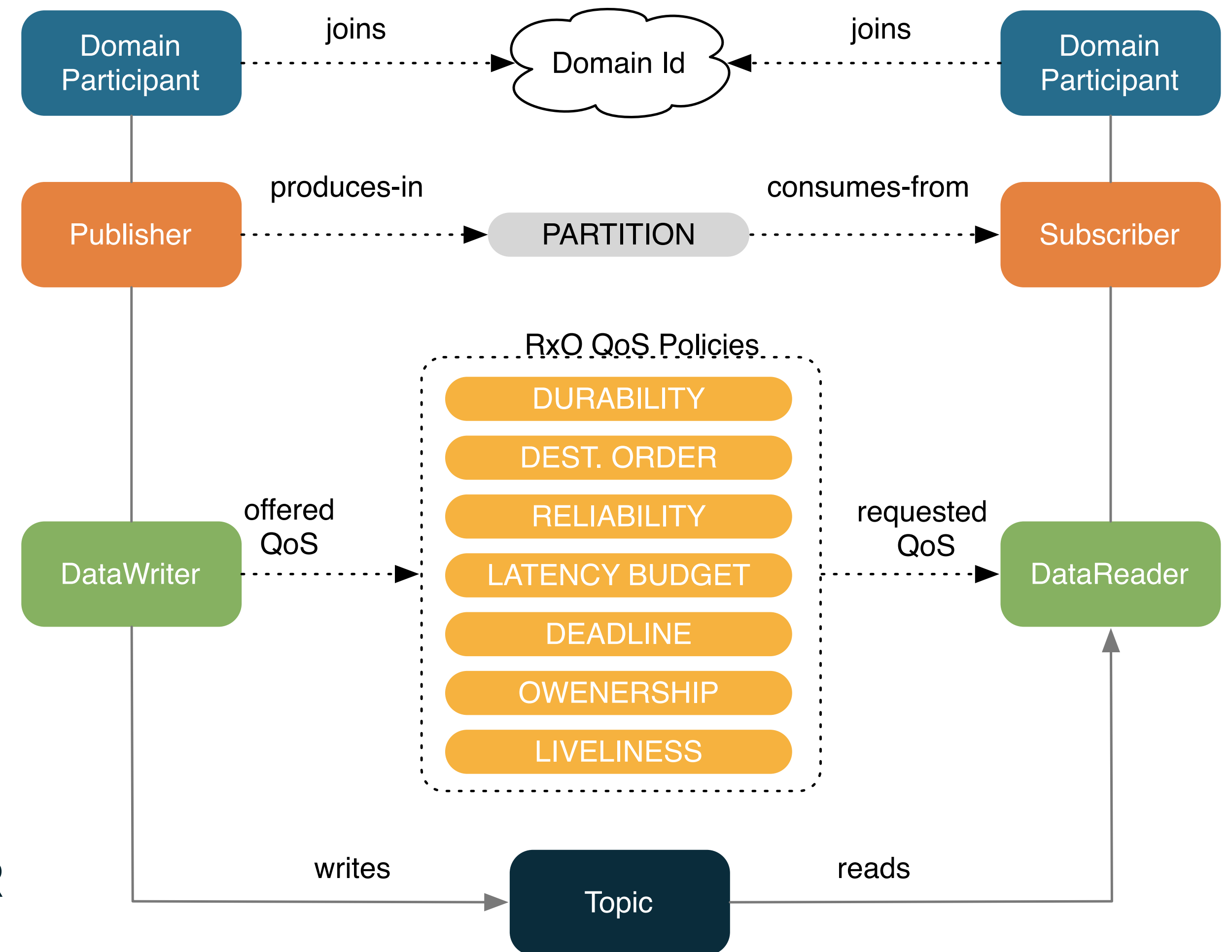
- DDS provides a rich set of QoS-Policies to control local as well as end-to-end properties of data sharing
- Some QoS-Policies are matched based on a Request vs. Offered (RxO) Model



Quality of Service

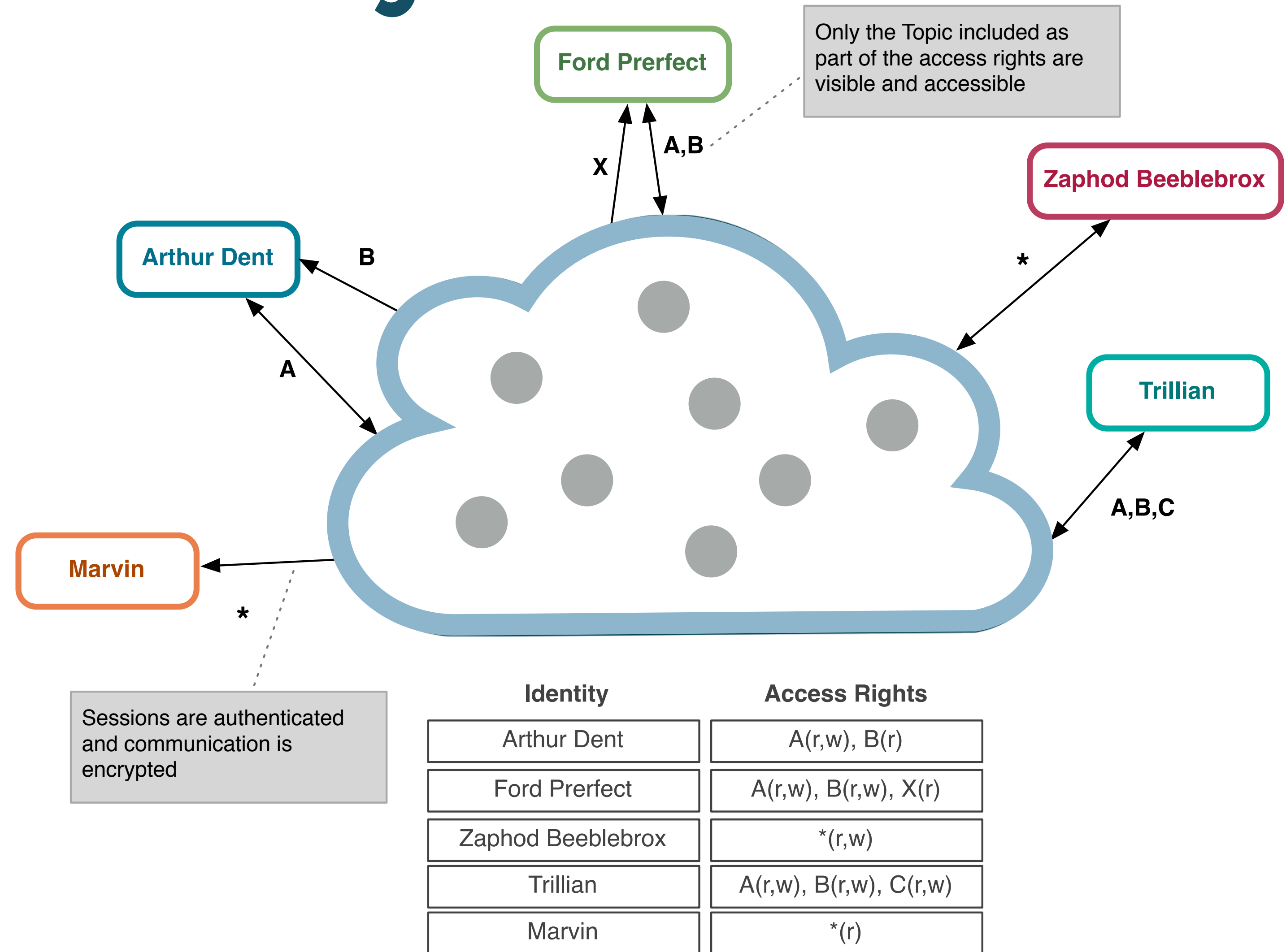
For data to flow from a DataWriter (DW) to one or many DataReader (DR) a few conditions have to apply:

- The DR and DW domain participants have to be in the same domain
- The partition expression of the DR's Subscriber and the DW's Publisher should match (in terms of regular expression match)
- The QoS Policies offered by the DW should exceed or match those requested by the DR



Security

- Support for fine grained access control
- Support for Symmetric and Asymmetric Authentication
- Standard Authentication, Access Control, Crypto, and Logging plug-in API



Platform Independent

- DDS is independent from the
 - Programming language,
 - Operating System
 - HW architecture



iOS



WIND RIVER

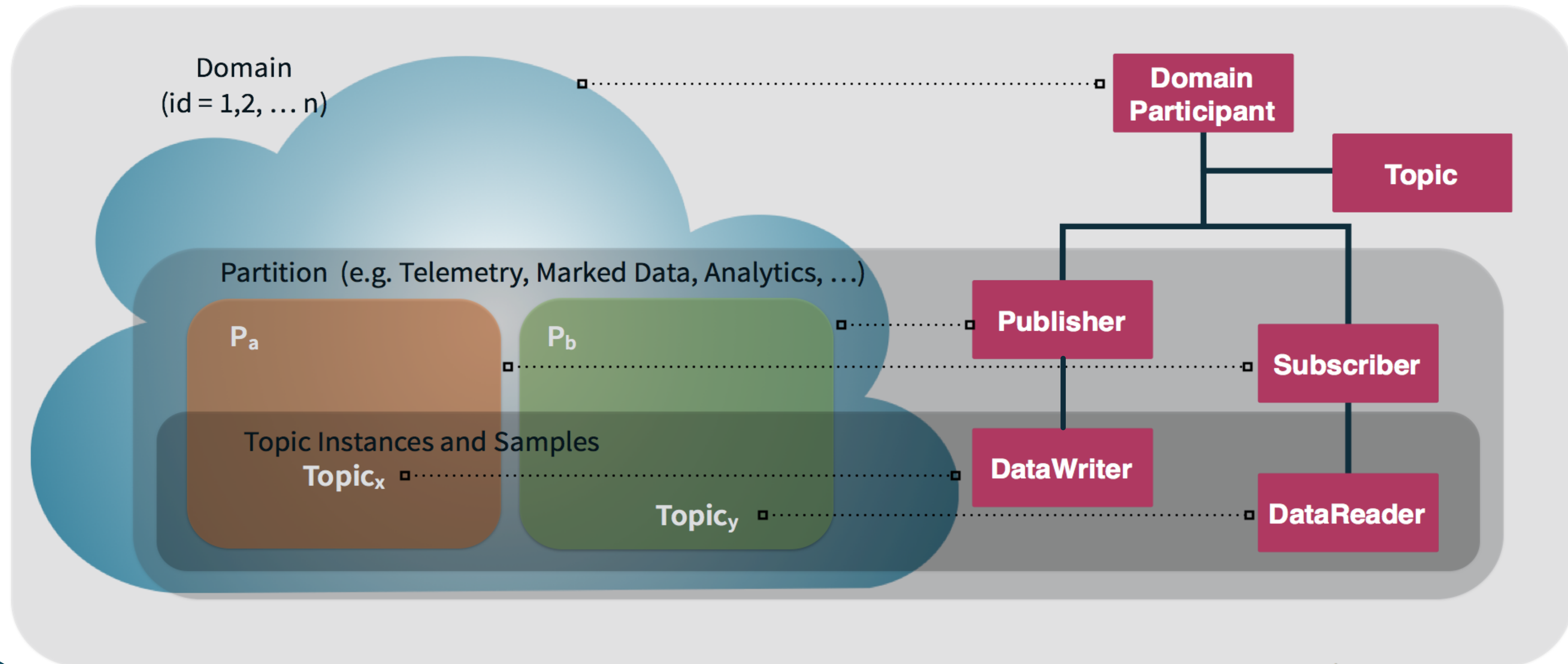


beaglebone



Your First DDS App!

Anatomy of a DDS Application



Writing Data in C++

```
#include <dds.hpp>

int main(int, char**) {

    DomainParticipant dp(0);
    Topic<Meter> topic("SmartMeter");
    Publisher pub(dp);
    DataWriter<Meter> dw(pub, topic);

    while (!done) {
        auto value = readMeter()
        dw.write(value);
        std::this_thread::sleep_for(SAMPLING_PERIOD);
    }

    return 0;
}
```

```
enum UtilityKind {
    ELECTRICITY,
    GAS,
    WATER
};

struct Meter {
    string sn;
    UtilityKind utility;
    float reading;
    float error;
};
#pragma keylist Meter sn
```


Reading Data in C++

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int main(int, char**) {
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    DomainParticipant dp(0);  
    Topic<Meter> topic("SmartMeter");  
    Subscriber sub(dp);  
    DataReader<Meter> dr(dp, topic);
```

```
    LambdaDataReaderListener<DataReader<Meter>> lst;  
    lst.data_available = [](DataReader<Meter>& dr) {  
        auto samples = data.read();  
        std::for_each(samples.begin(), samples.end(), [](Sample<Meter>& sample) {  
            std::cout << sample.data() << std::endl;  
        })  
    };  
    dr.listener(lst);  
    // Print incoming data up to when the user does a Ctrl-C  
    std::this_thread::join();  
    return 0;  
}
```

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Writing Data in Python

```
import dds
import time

if __name__ == '__main__':
    topic = dds.Topic("SmartMeter", "Meter")
    dw = dds.Writer(topic)

    while True:
        m = readMeter()
        dw.write(m)
        time.sleep(0.1)
```

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Reading Data in Python

```
import dds
import sys

def readData(dr):
    samples = dds.range(dr.read())
    for s in samples:
        sys.stdout.write(str(s.getData()))

if __name__ == '__main__':
    t = dds.Topic("SmartMeter", "Meter")
    dr = dds.Reader(t)
    dr.onDataAvailable = readData
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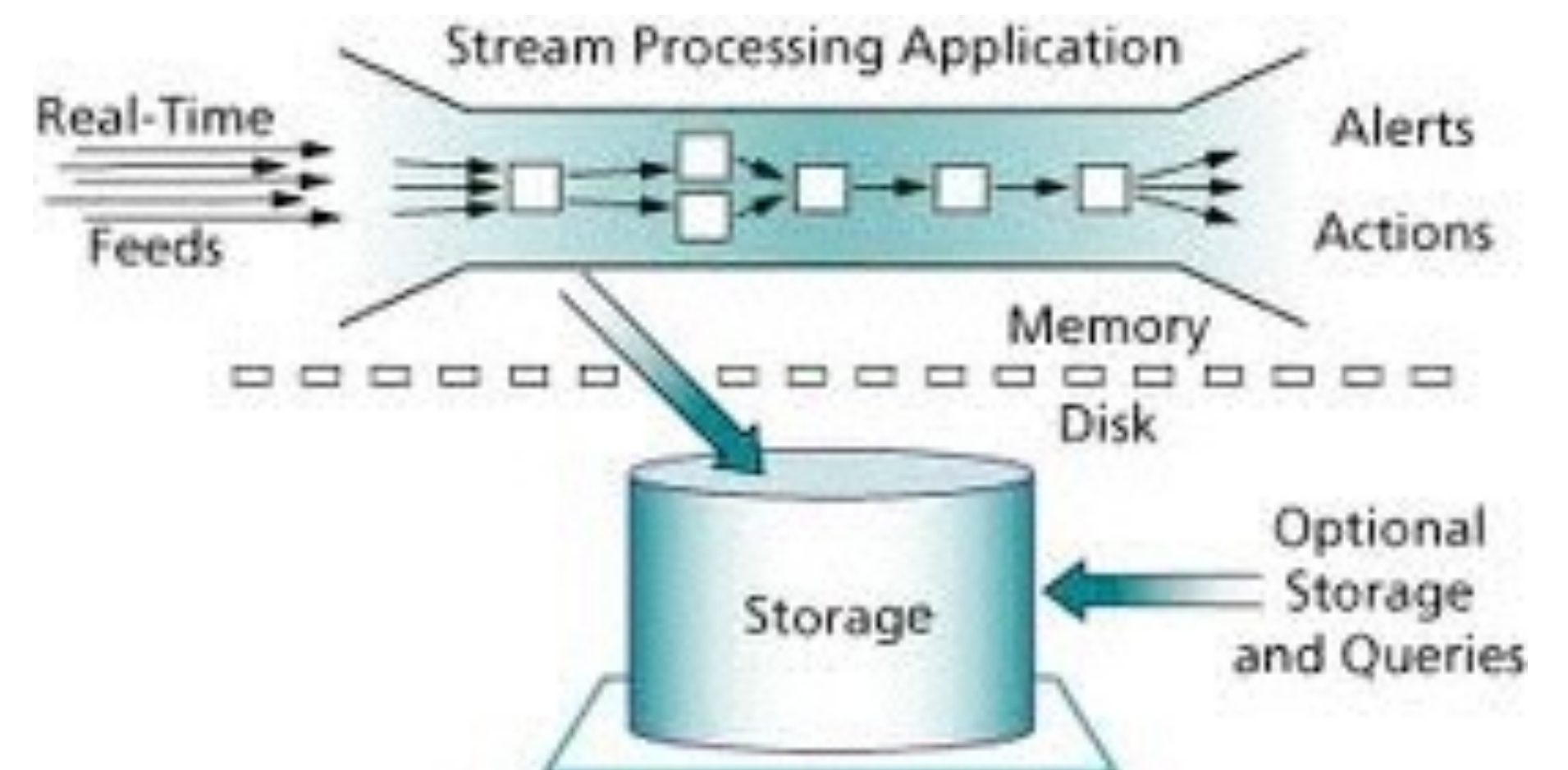
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Step 2:

Reactive Architectures with DDS

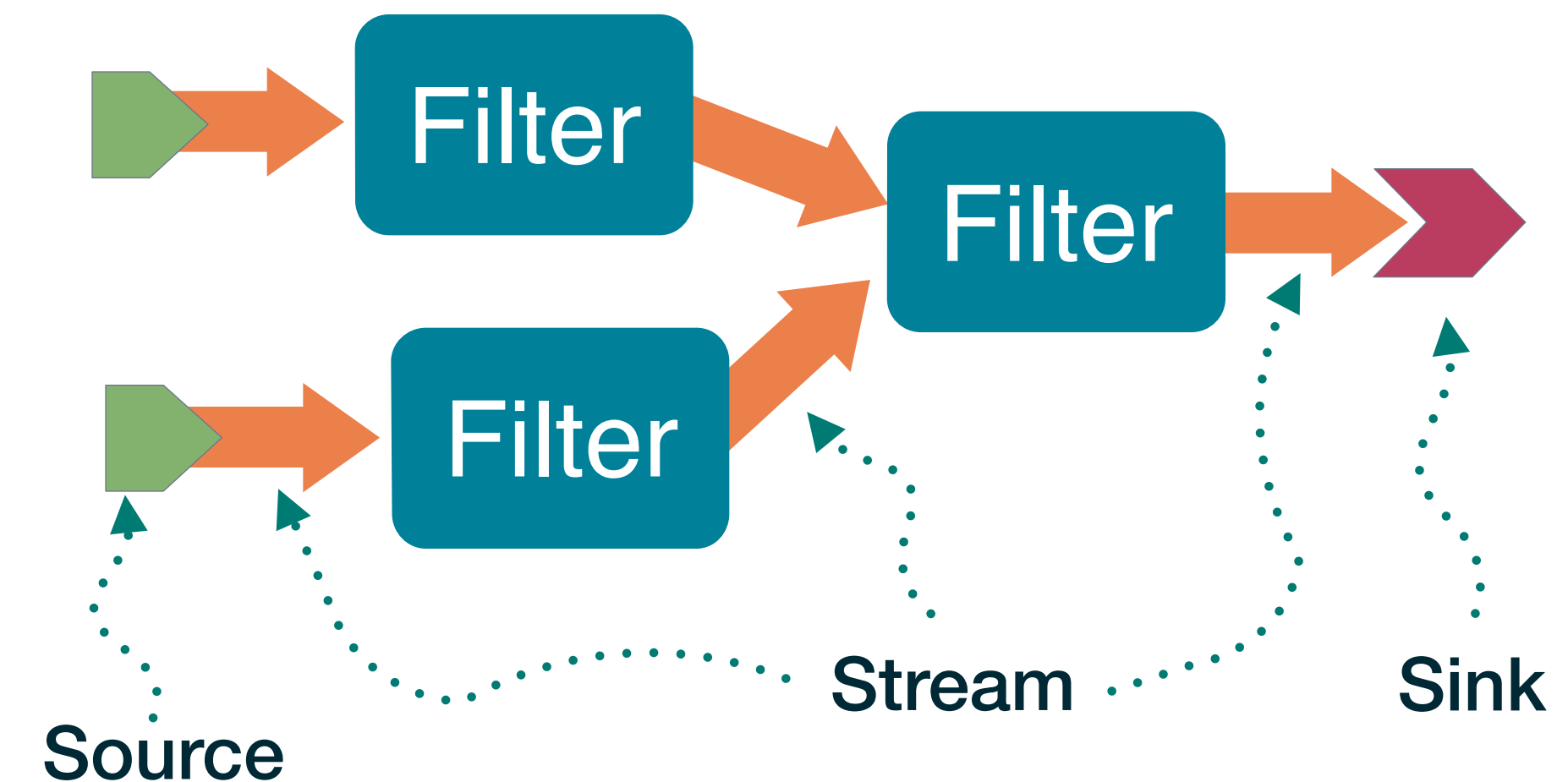
STREAM PROCESSING

Stream Processing is the commonly adopted architectural pattern for building reactive systems



Stream Processing

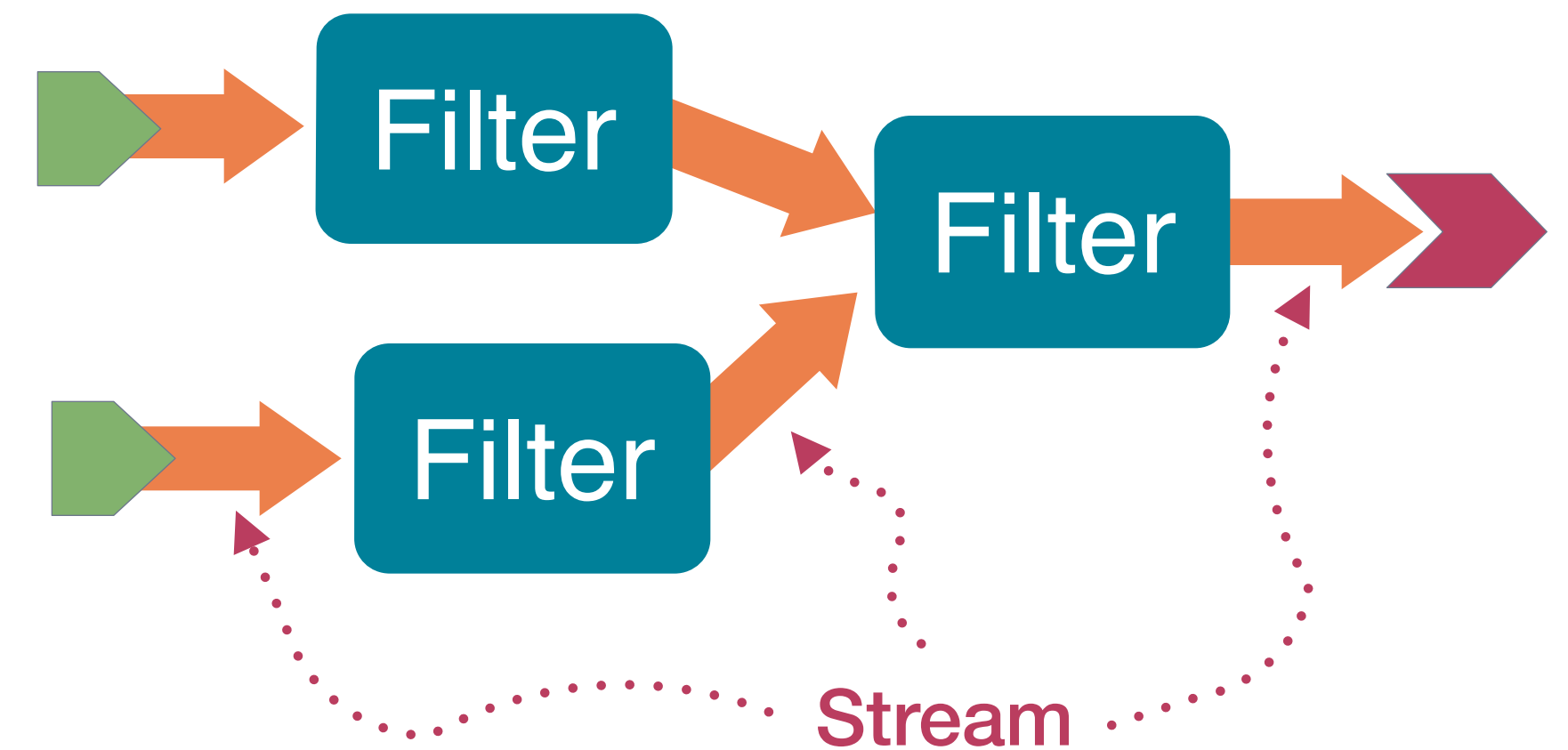
- **Stream Processing Systems** are typically modelled as **collection of concurrent modules communicating via typed data channels**
- Modules usually play one of the following roles:
 - **Sources:** Injecting data into the System
 - **Filters/Actors:** Performing some computation over sources
 - **Sinks:** Consuming the data produced by the system



Stream Processing with DDS

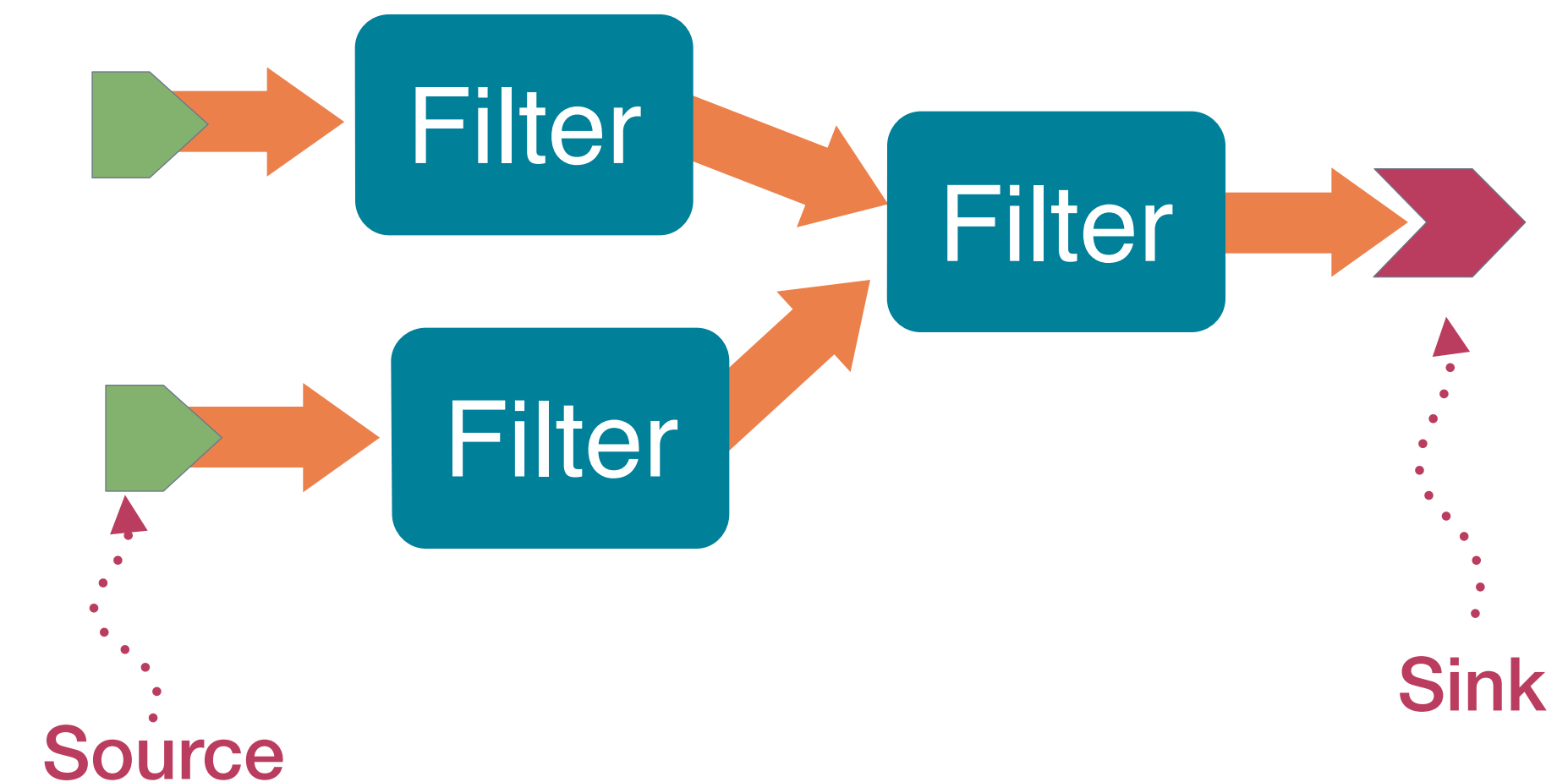
Streams in DDS

- A **stream** represents a potentially infinite sequence of data samples of a given type T
- As such, in DDS, a stream can be naturally represented with a **Topic**
- Example:
 - Topic<PressureType>
 - Topic<MarketData>



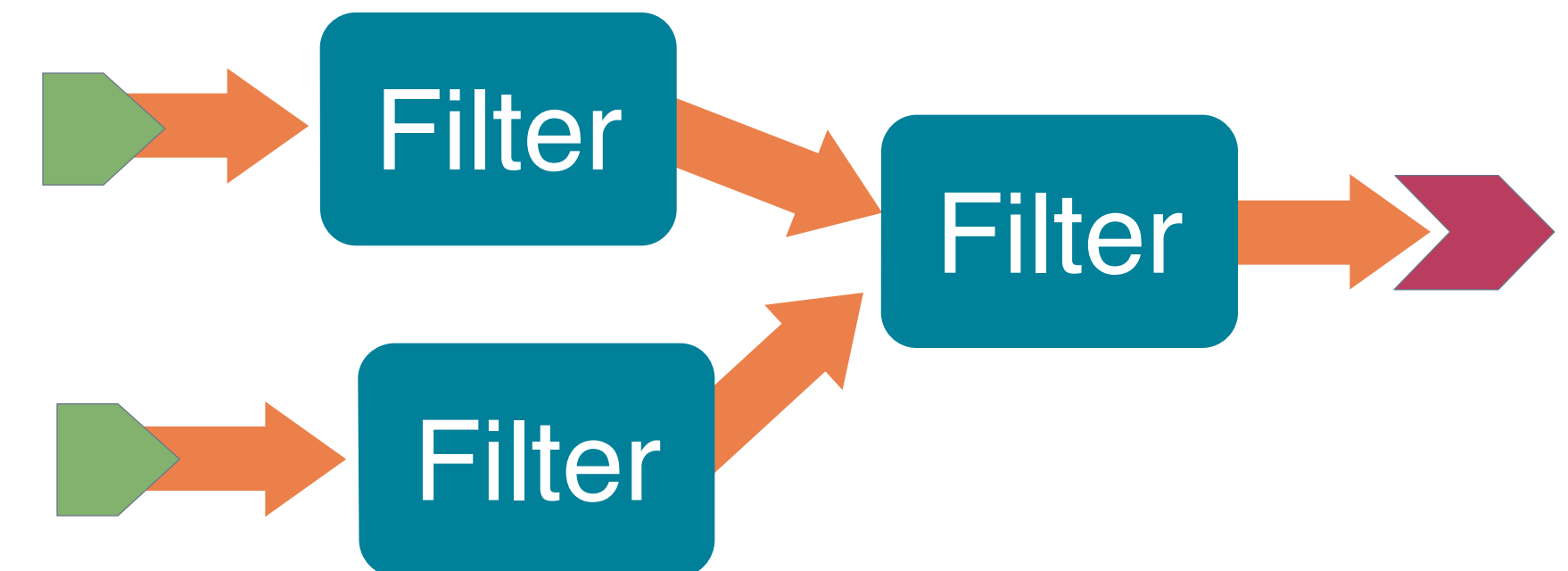
Source and Sinks in DDS

- **Sources** in DDS are mapped to **DataWriters** for a given Topic
- **Sinks** in DDS are mapped to **DataReaders** for a given Topic



Filters in DDS

- Filters implement bit and pieces of the application business logic
- Each Filter has one or more input stream and one or more output streams
- Obviously, a Filter consumes data from an input stream through a DDS data reader and pushed data into an output stream through a DDS data writer



DDS Architectural Benefits

Loose Coupling

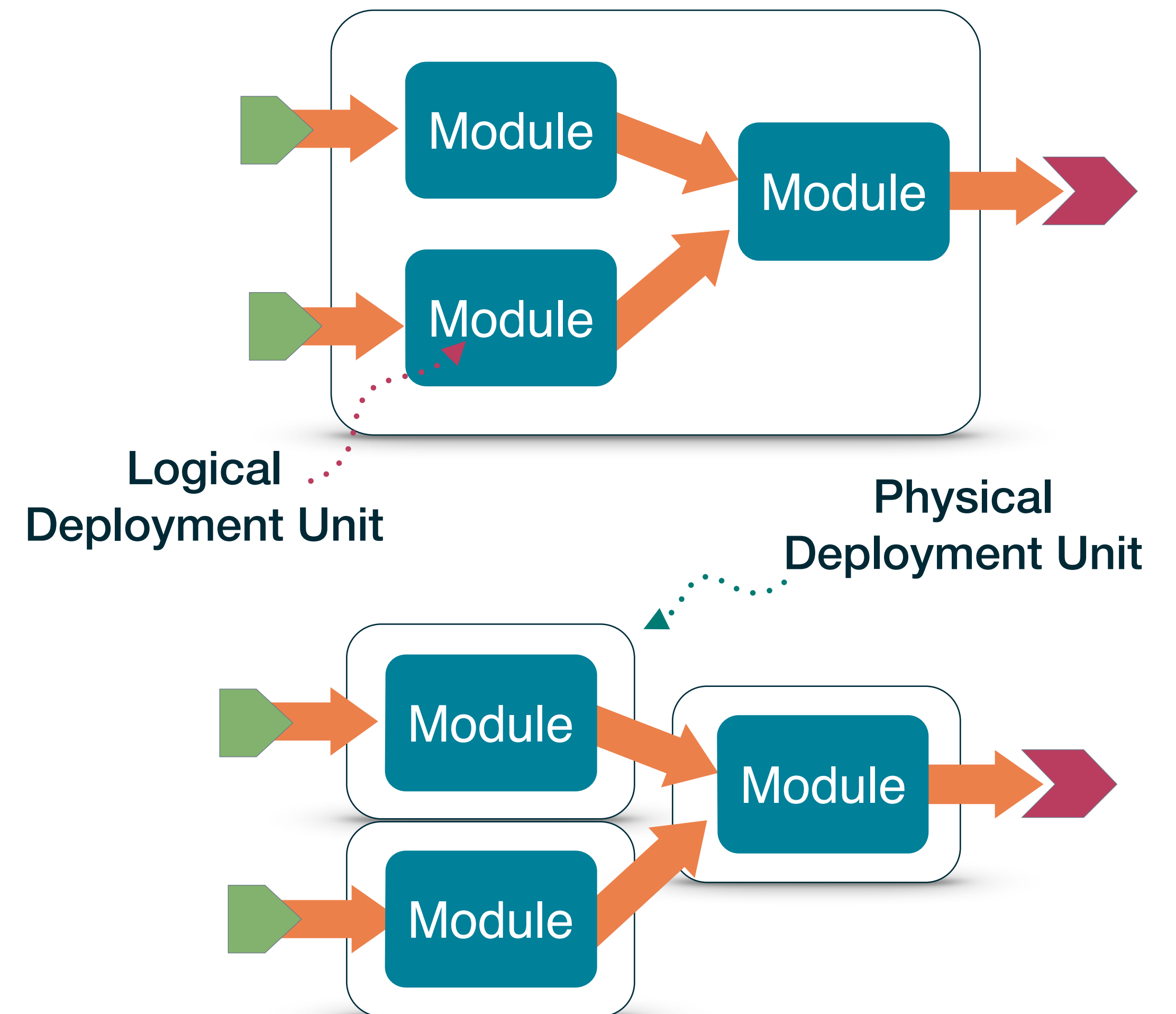
Stream Processing Architectures in general and DDS-based architecture in particular promote loose coupling

- **Anonymous Communication** => No Spatial Coupling
- **Non-Blocking and Asynchronous Interaction** => No control or temporal coupling

In DDS the only thing that matters is the kind of information a module is interested in consuming or producing — who is producing the data or when the data has been produced is not relevant

Location Transparency

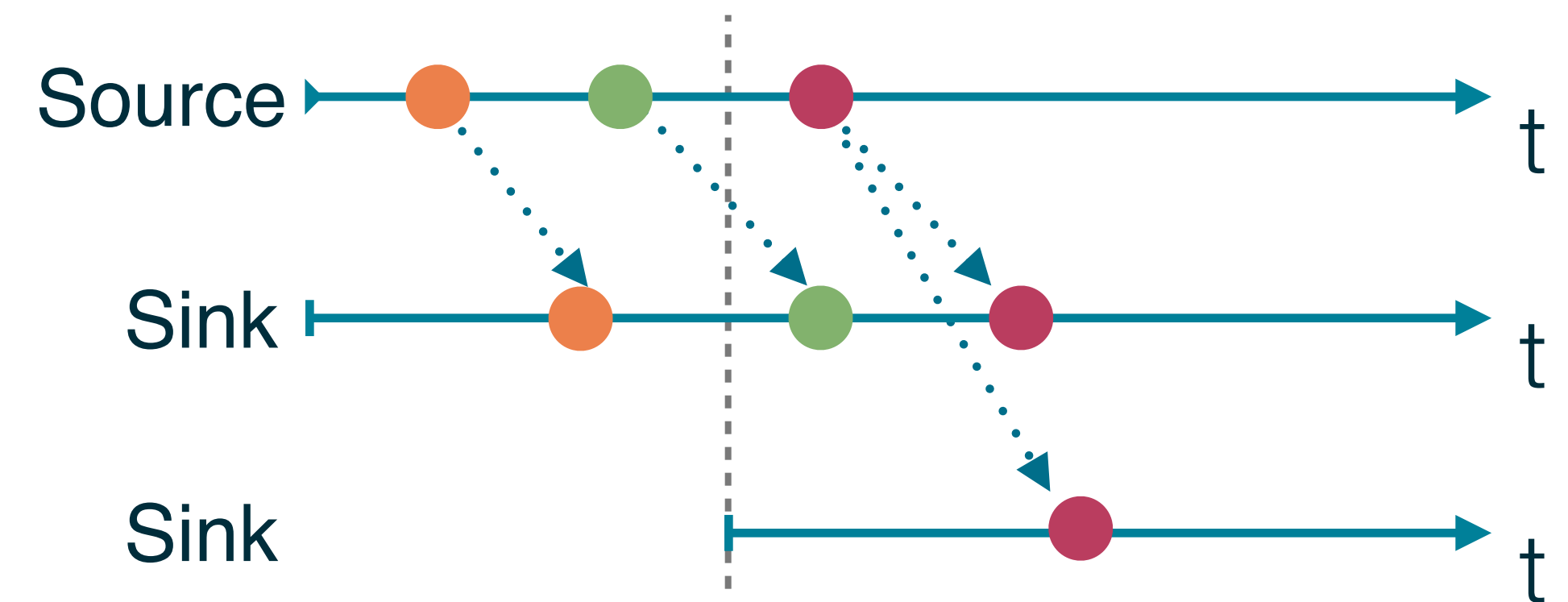
- **Location Transparency** is an important architectural property as it makes it possible to completely decouple the logical decomposition of a system from its actual physical deployment
- DDS **Automatic Discovery** brings location transparency to the next level by enabling systems that are zero-conf, self-forming and self-healing



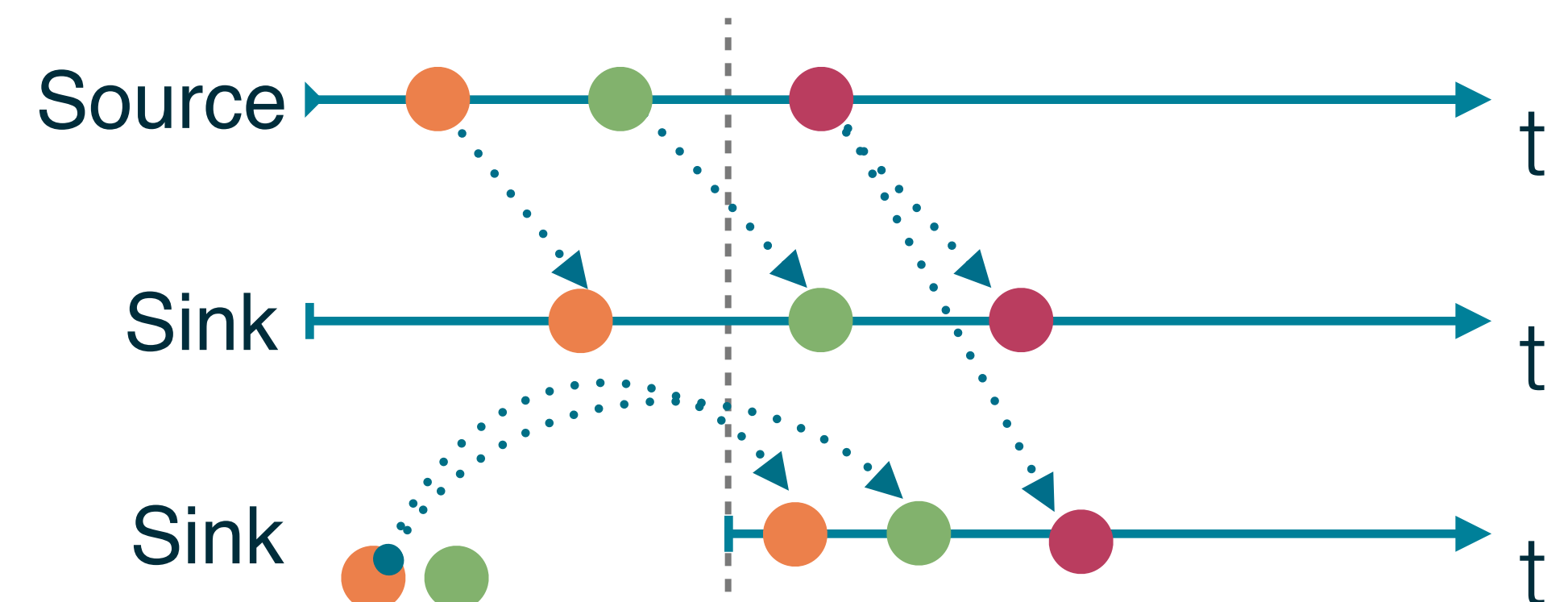
Temporal Decoupling

- DDS provides full control over **temporal decoupling** by means of its **Durability** Policy
- As such the data produced by a **Source** can be:
 - **Volatile**: available for those that are around at the time at production
 - **Transient**: available as far as the system/source is running
 - **Durable**: available forever

Volatile Durability

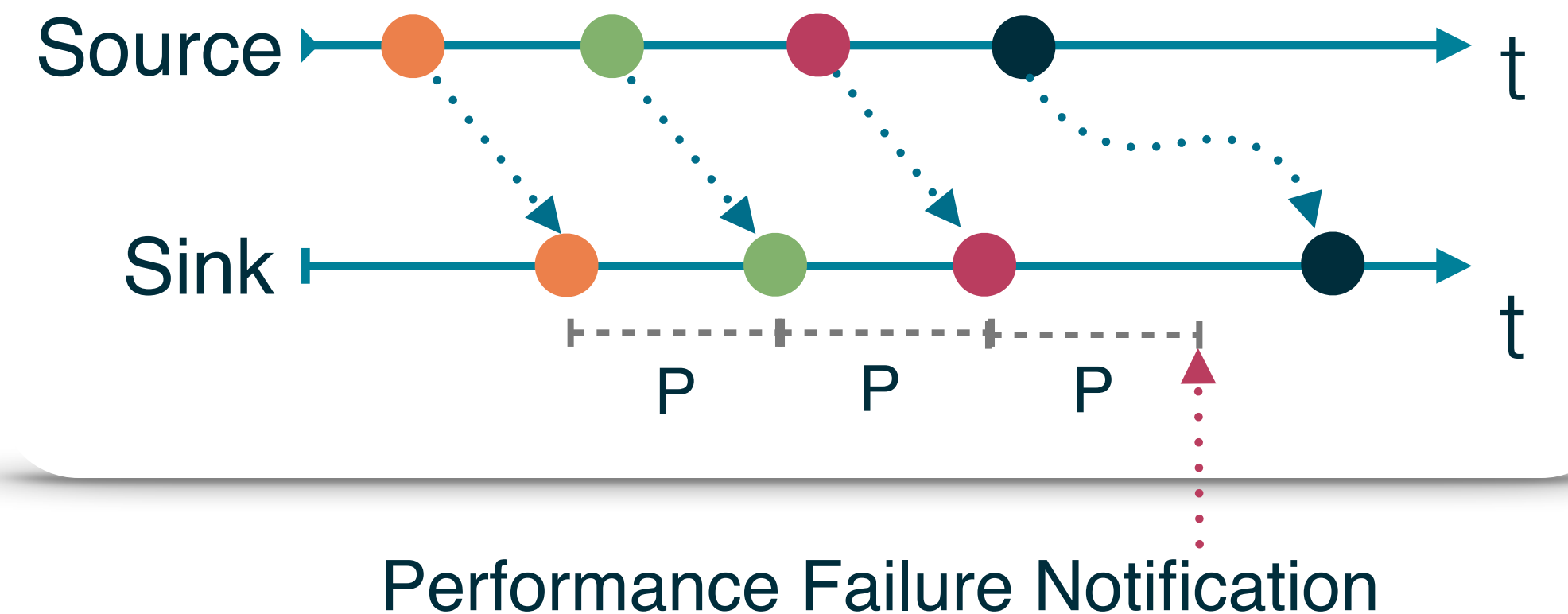
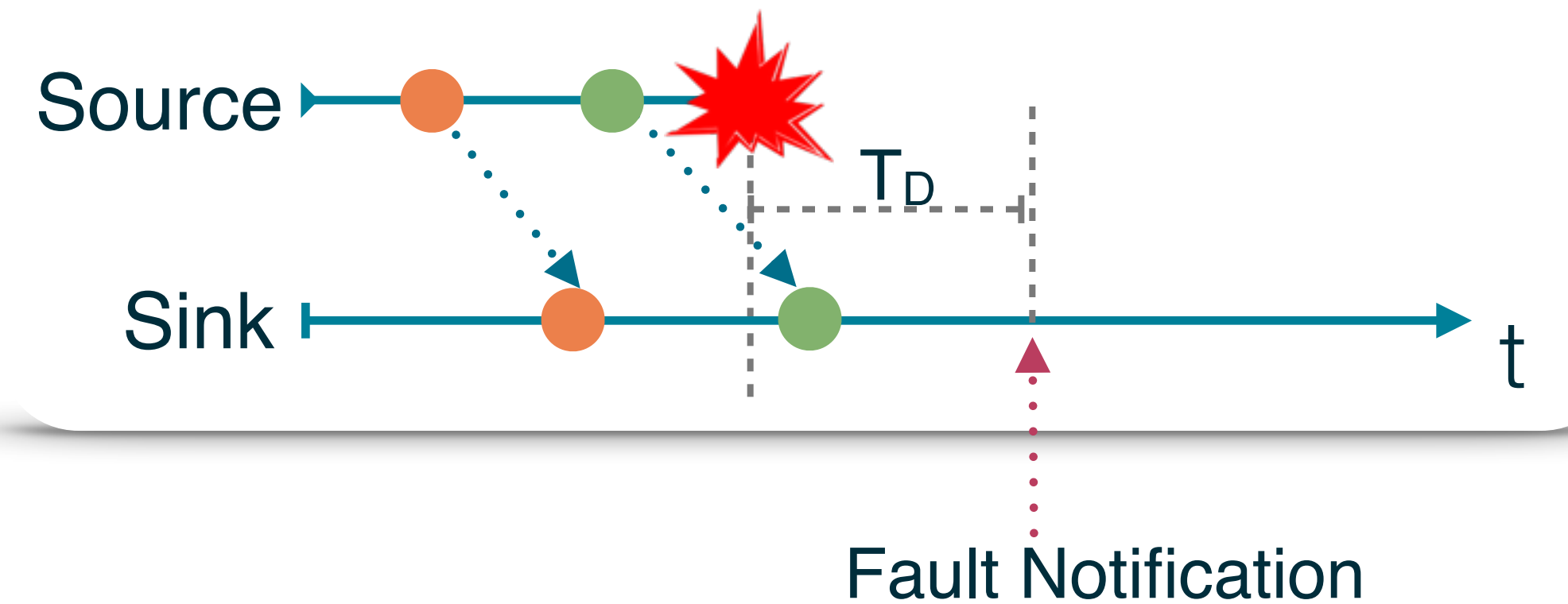


Transient Durability



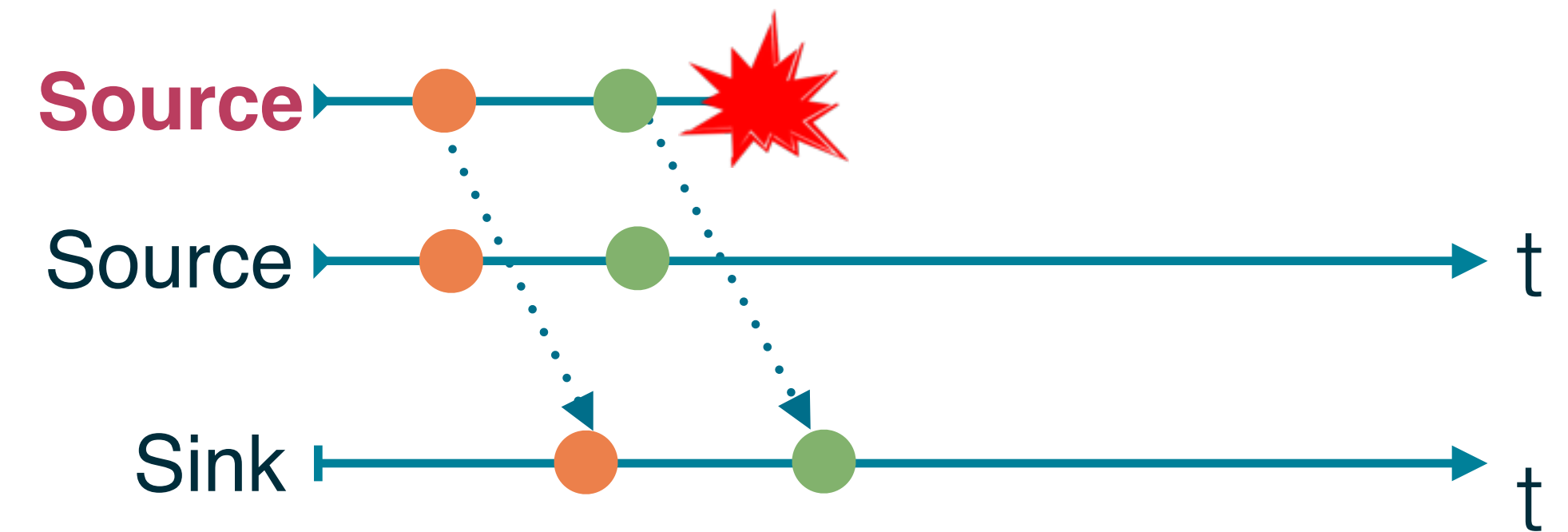
Failure Detection

- DDS provides mechanism for detecting traditional faults as well as performance failures
- The Fault-Detection mechanism is controlled by means of the DDS Liveliness policy
- Performance Failures can be detected using the Deadline Policy which allows to receive notification when data is not received within the expected delays



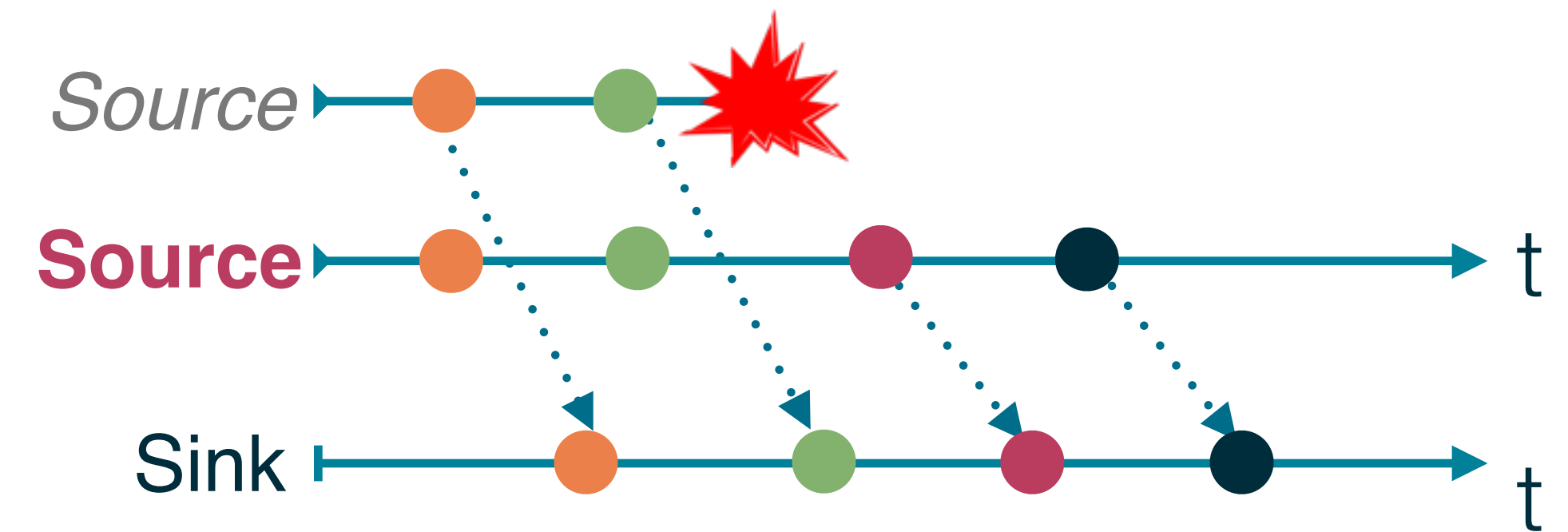
Fault-Masking

- DDS provides a built-in fault-masking mechanism that allow to replicate **Sources** and transparently switch over when a failure occurs
- At any point in time the “active” source is the one with the highest strength. Where the strength is an integer parameter controller by the user

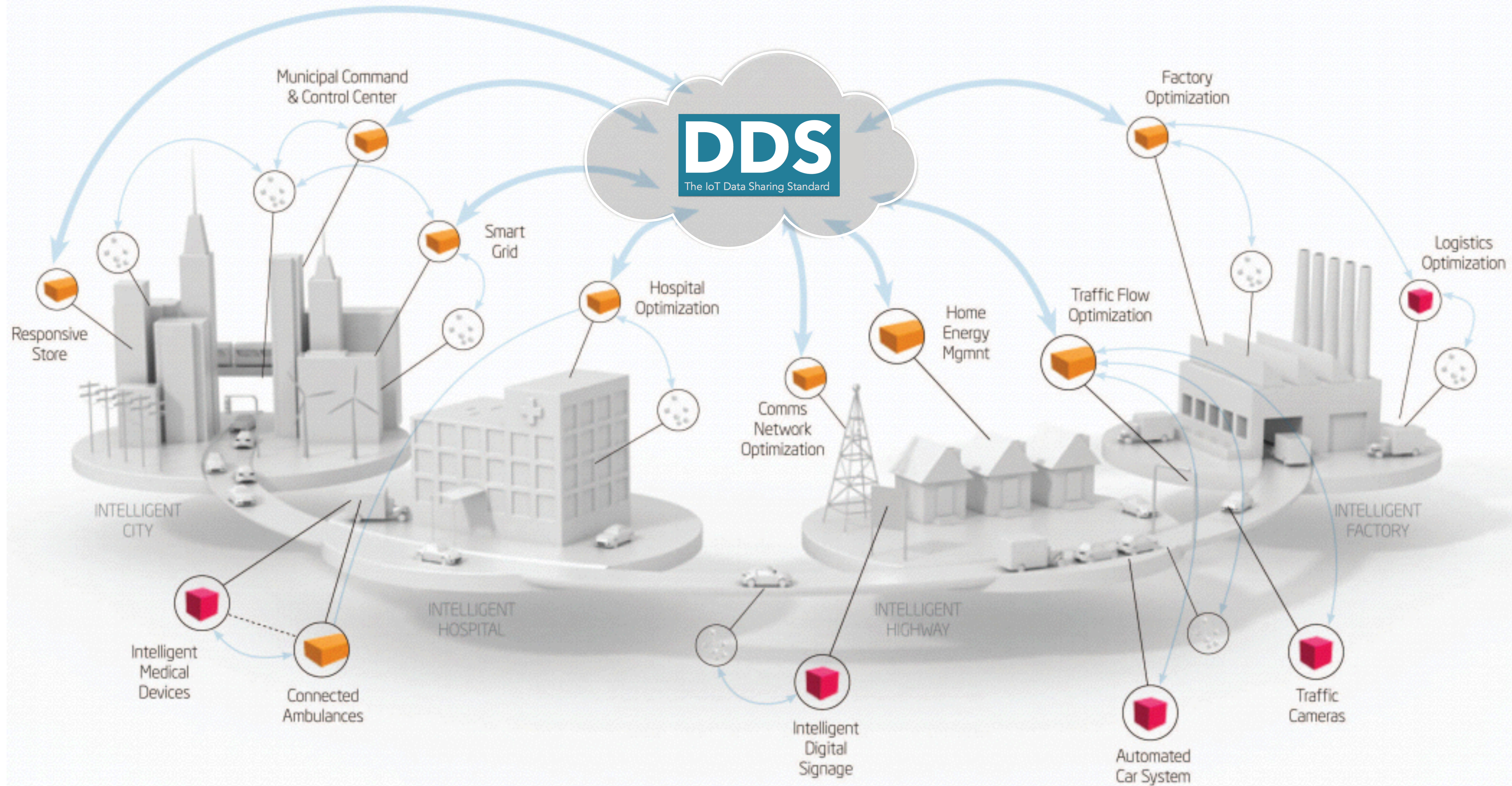


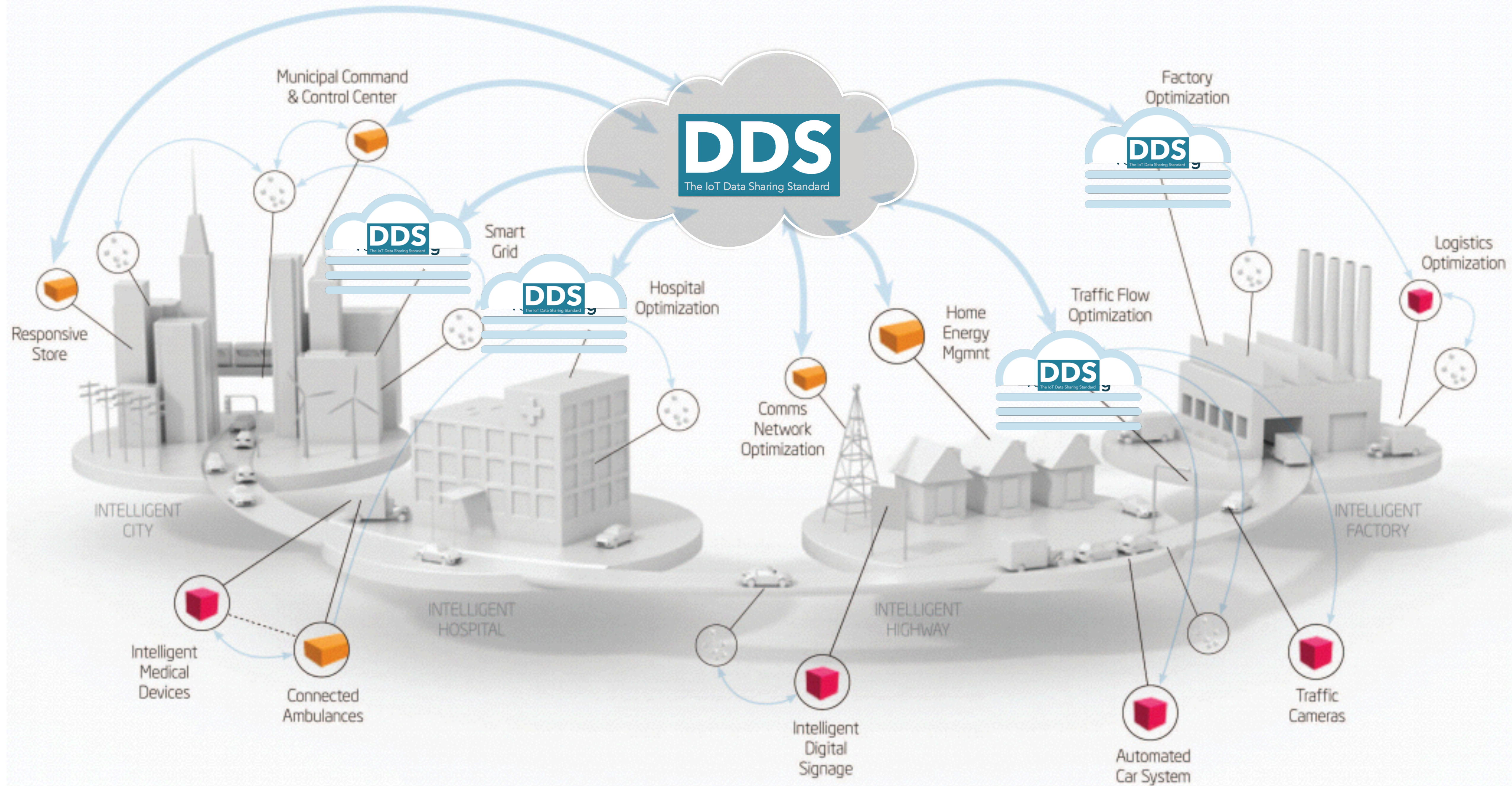
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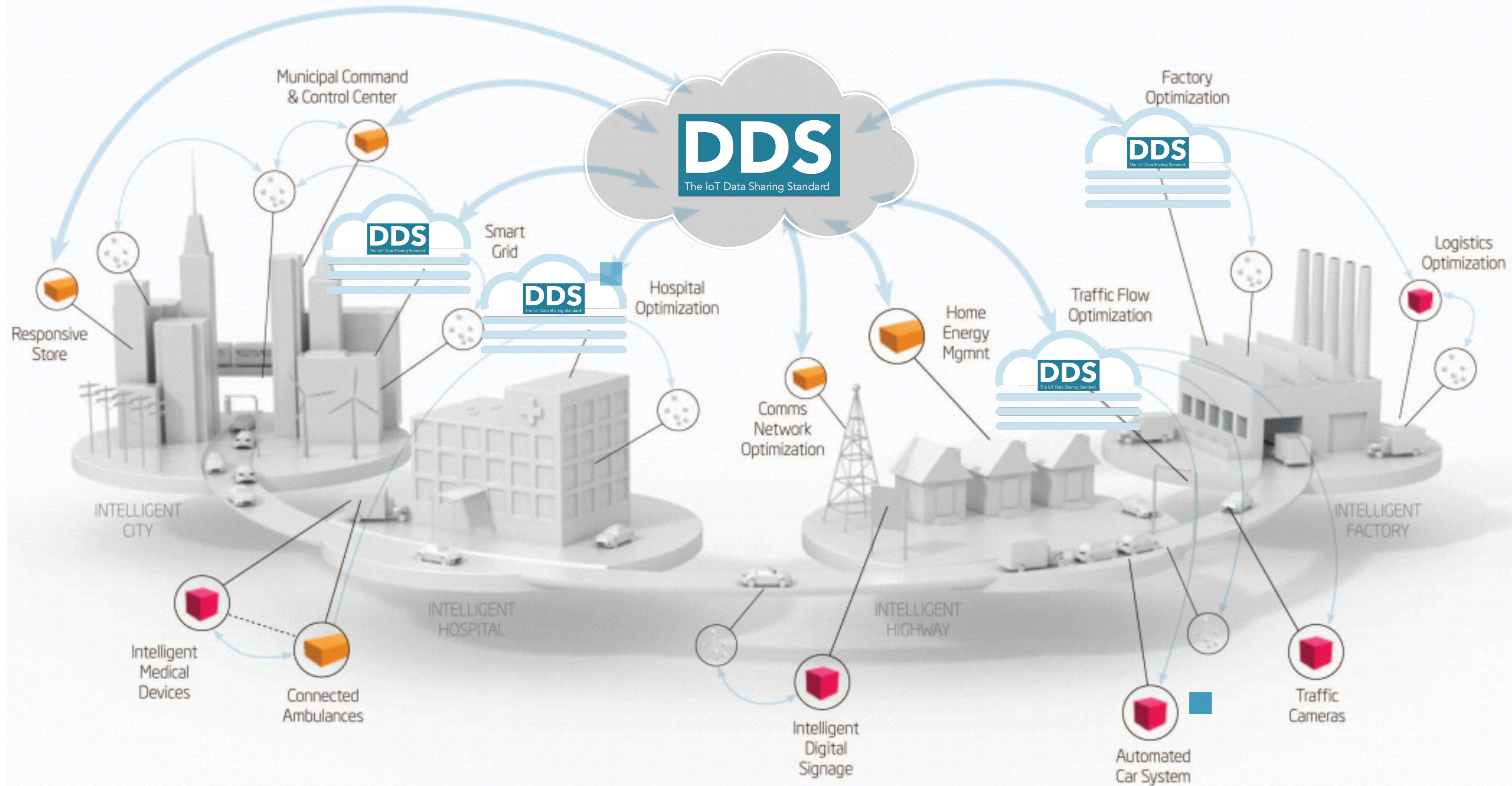
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Putting All Together







DDS

DDS is a standard technology for ubiquitous, interoperable, secure, platform independent, and real-time data sharing across network connected devices

DDS provides a the ideal platform for architecting and building Data-Centric Reactive Systems



