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Autonomic Home Networks - enabling smart buildings

Support of Heterogeneous Domains

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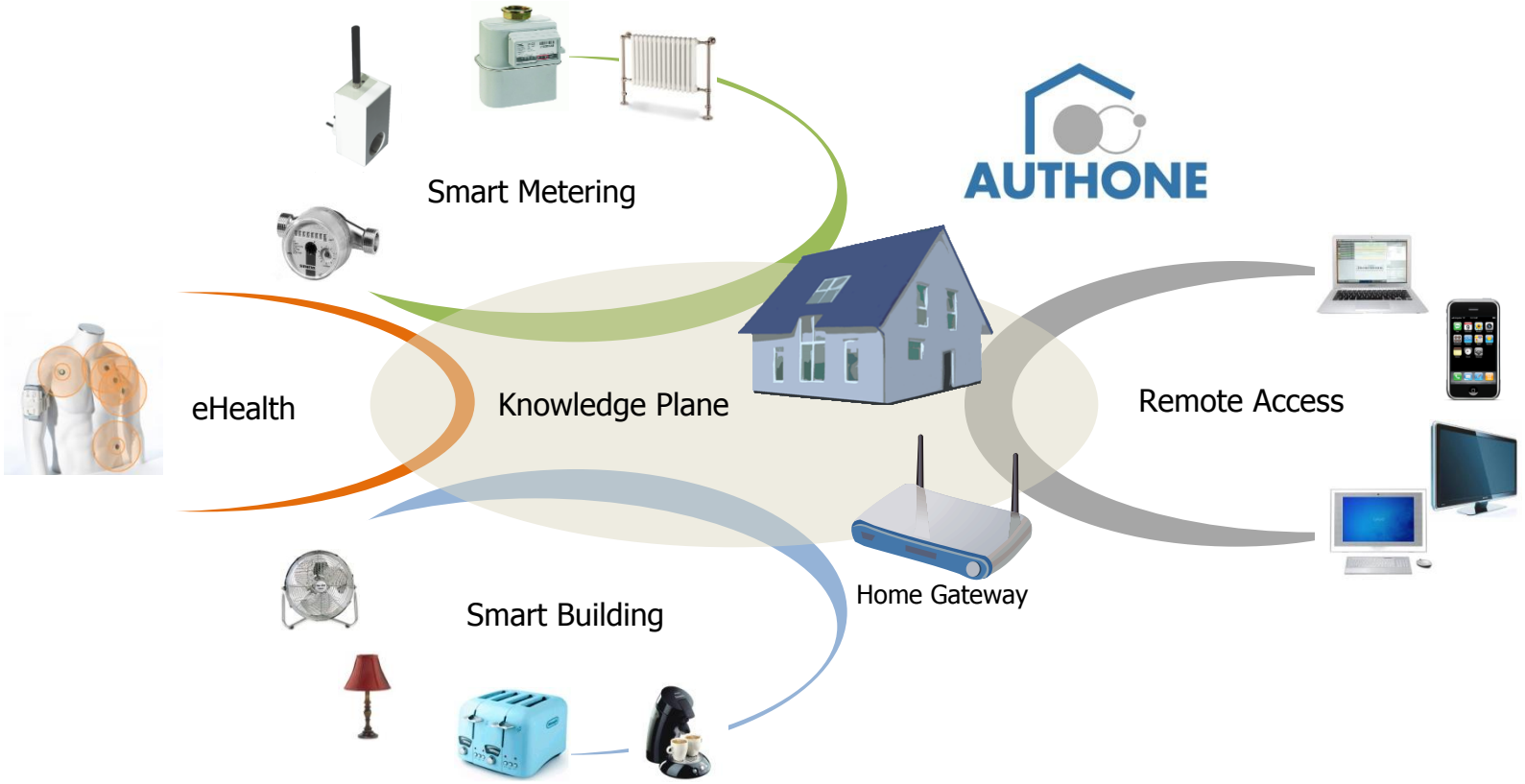
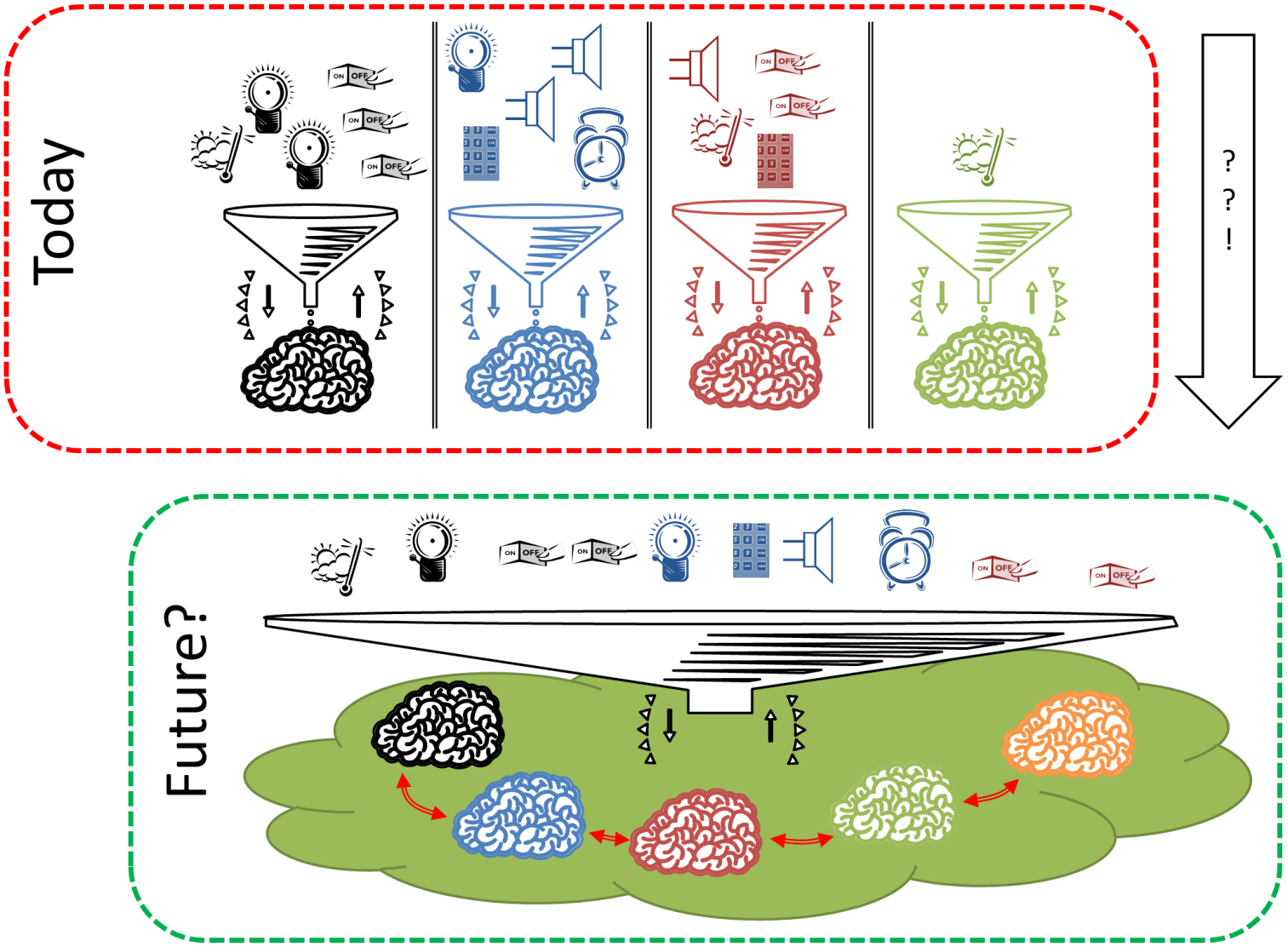
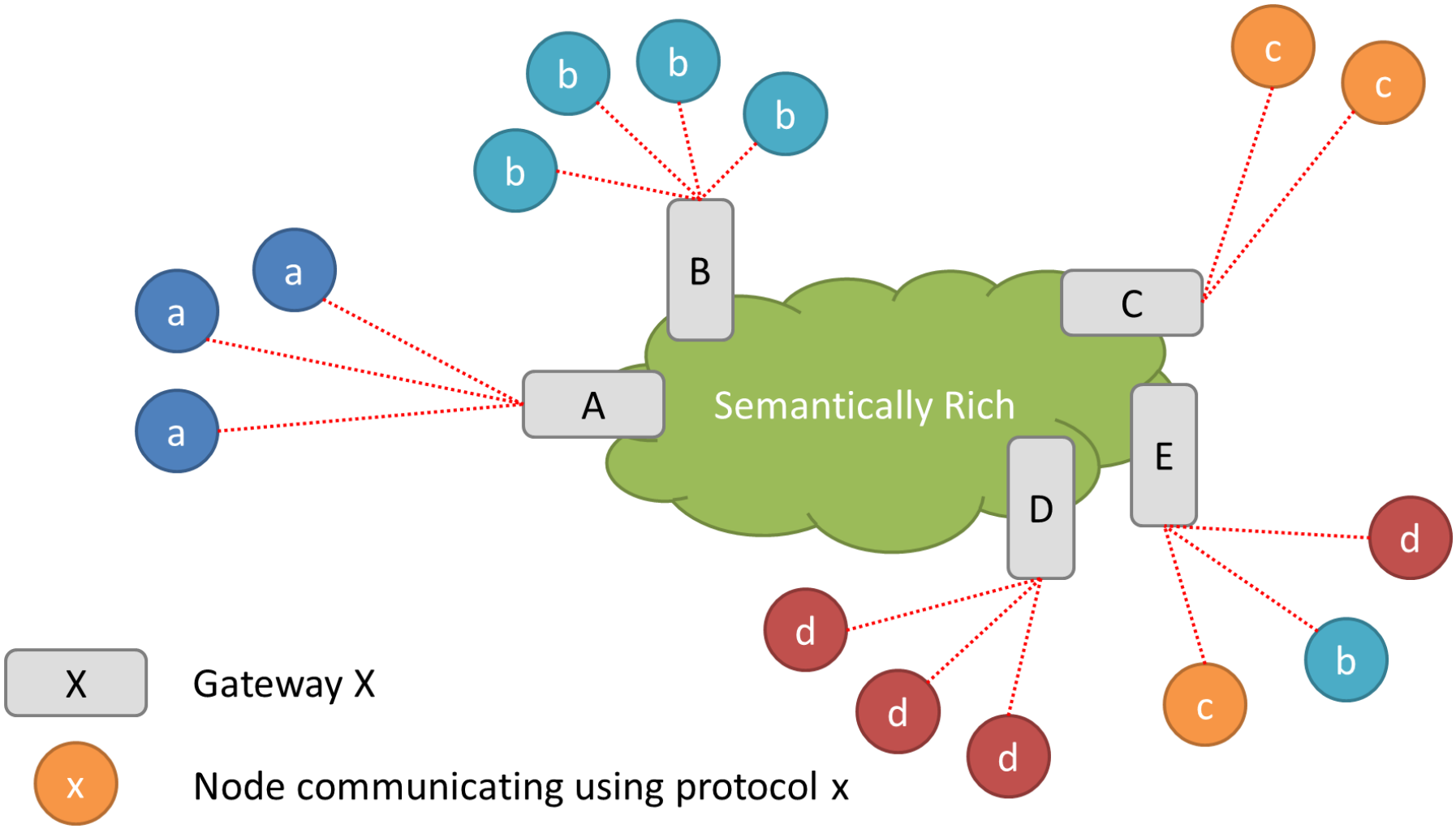
Interconnecting Application Domains



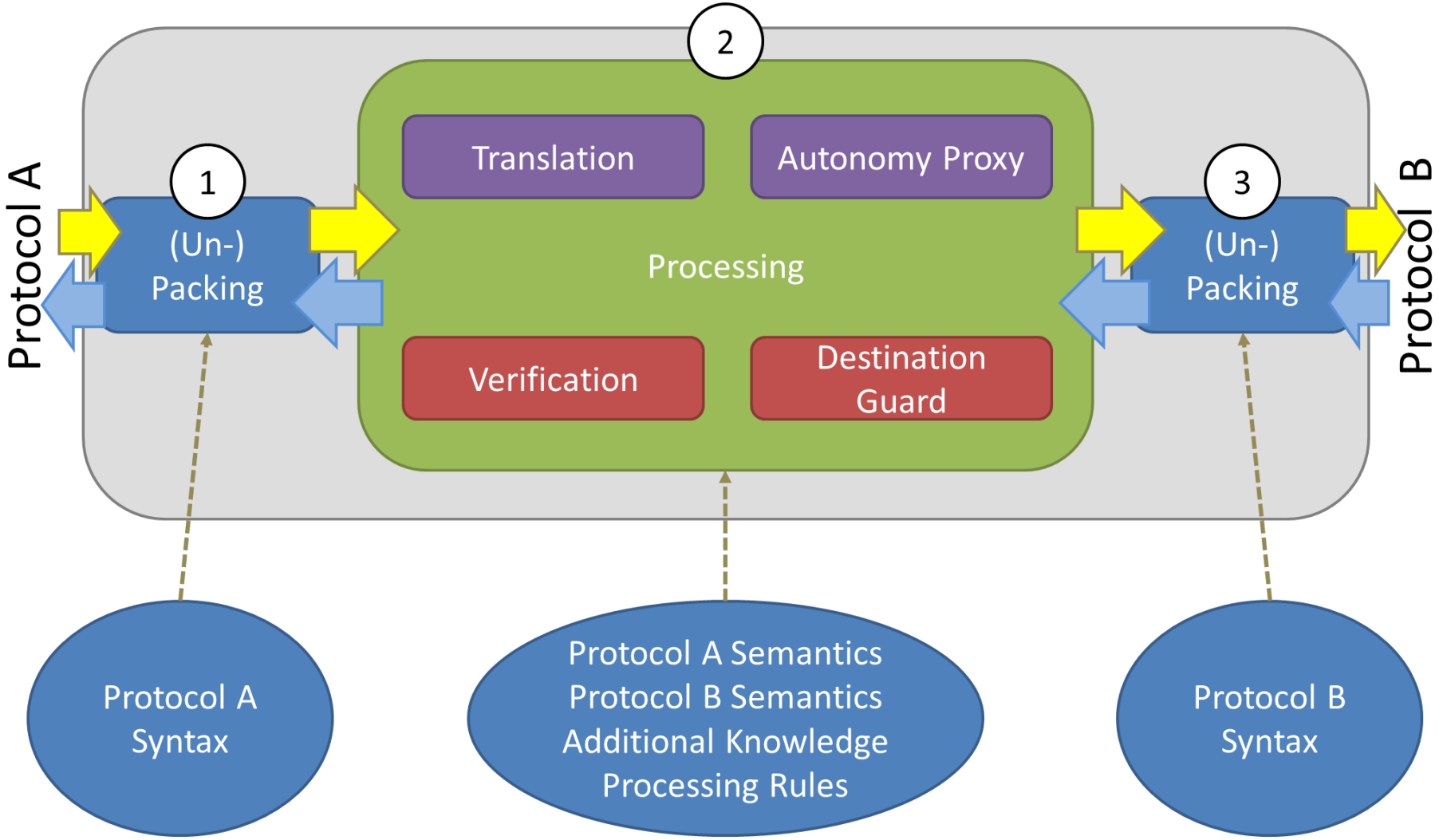
What we have today/ What we want in the future



How we can realize it: gateways



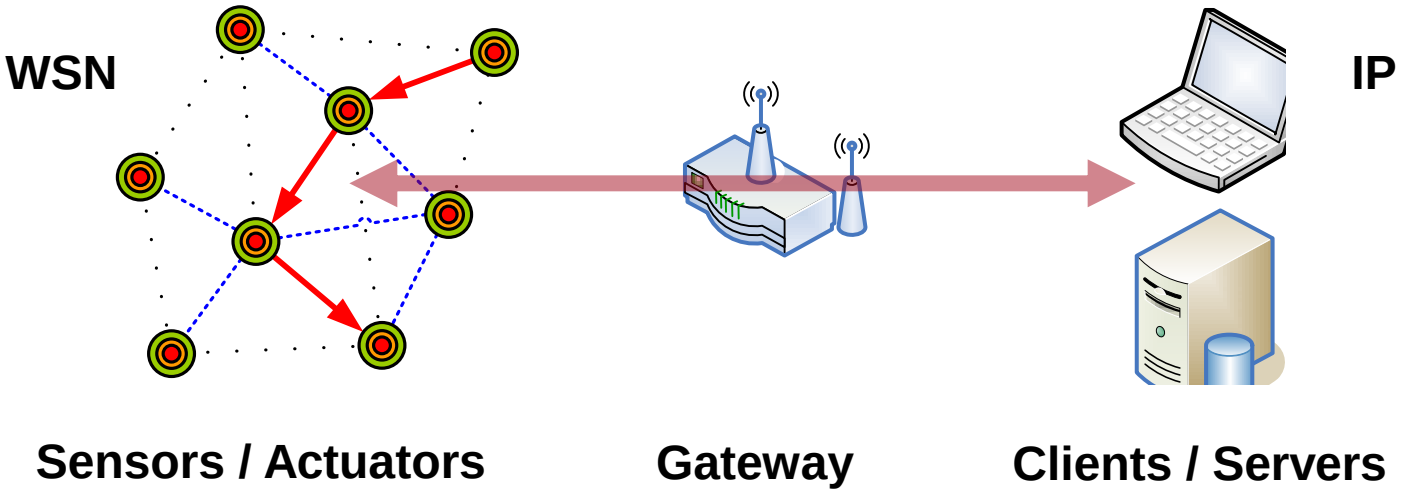
Internal architecture of a gateway



Motivation for Model-based Approach

- **Motivation**: Connecting heterogeneous communication networks
  - Transformation between different message representations
  - Seamless integration of WSN applications with IT domain
  - Support for different (WSN) hardware platforms
- **Approach**:
  - Model-based generation of (WSN) applications
  - Model-based translation of message representations
  - Model-based application-independent components
  - Platform independence (Web-oriented, standard tools)
- **Benefits**:
  - Better time to market (rapid application development)
  - Minimization of bugs at development time
  - Reuse of mechanisms and components (“services”)

Problem: Heterogeneous Networks and Hardware



- Gateway: application specific (high CAPEX / OPEX)
- Messaging: network-specific
  - WSN → simple (binary) representation
  - IP → rich (XML or SQL) representation
- Integration of new domains requires new gateways
- Transformation between formats has to be done “manually”

Approach: Model-based Message Bridge

- Characteristics of model-based approach
  - Provides a common design environment
  - Locate and correct errors early in system design
  - Design reuse, e.g. for upgrades, is facilitated
- Concept of model-based message bridge
  - Domain adapters: model-based transformation between internal message format and domain format
  - Inter-domain routing: dispatching of messages to several different domains supported
  - Model repository: provides model description for different tools
- Major benefits:
  - No application specific gateway necessary
  - Multi-domain bridge avoids tunneling of messages
  - Modular structure facilitates extensions for new domains

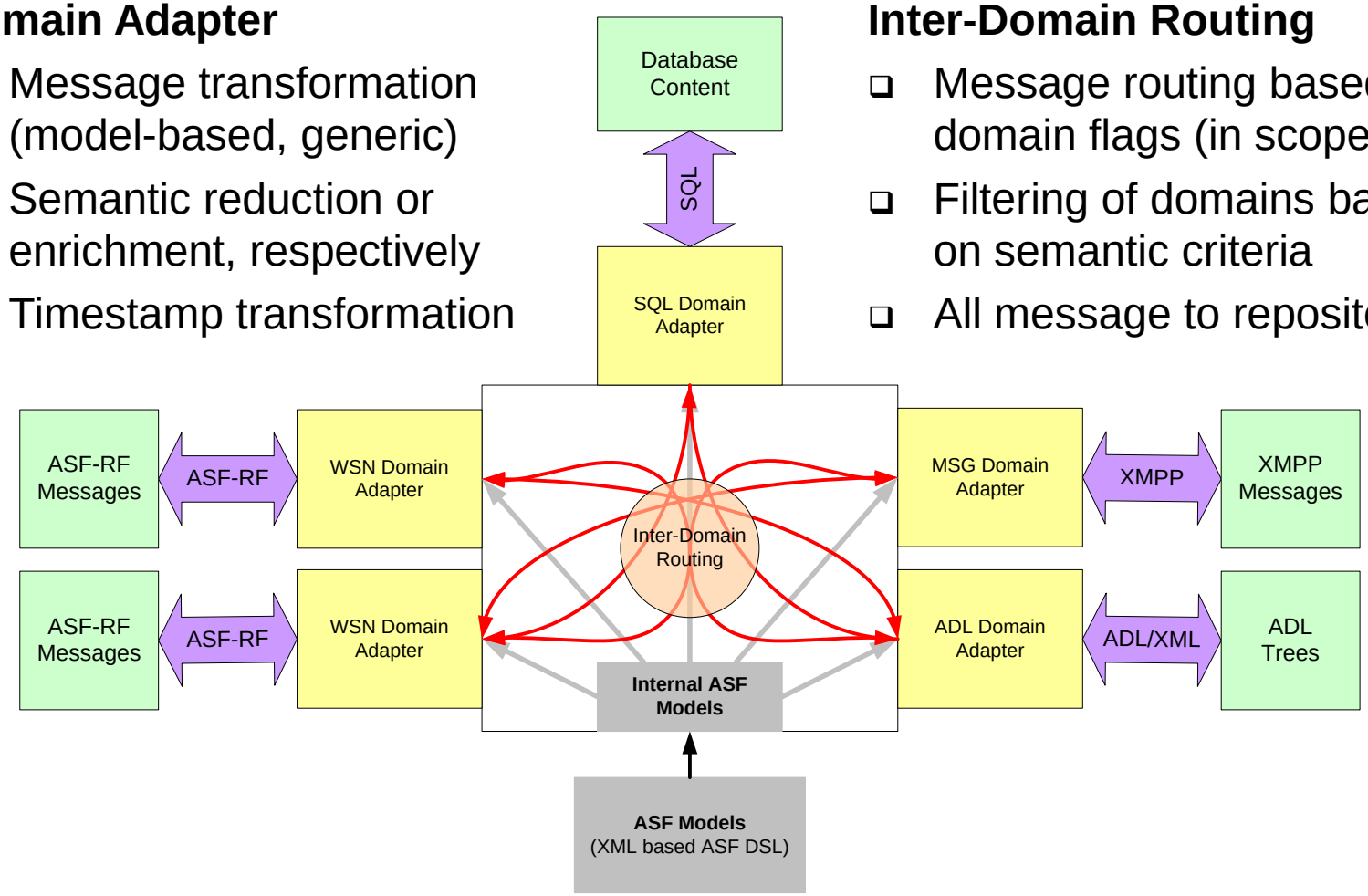
Solution: Extensible Message Bridge

Domain Adapter

- Message transformation (model-based, generic)
- Semantic reduction or enrichment, respectively
- Timestamp transformation

Inter-Domain Routing

- Message routing based on domain flags (in scope)
- Filtering of domains based on semantic criteria
- All message to repository



Demonstrator – Message Formats

```
<key name="BlinkTrigger" id="11">
  <description>
Message for triggering blinking behaviour
  </description>
  <record>
    <field name="period" type="blink_period_t"/>
    <field name="action" type="blink_action_t"/>
    <field name="color" type="blink_color_t"/>
  </record>
  <scope name="BlinkEvent"/>
</key>
```

ASF XML

- ASF model specified in XML
- Model checking by ASF Parser (impl. in Python)
- Stored in Model Repository (MySQL database)
- Transformed into:
  - nesC struct (for TinyOS)
  - Plain text (for XMPP)
  - ADL XML (for ADL Knowledge Agent)
- Model Repository used by:
  - ASF Bridge
  - ASF Web Server

Database (SQL)

```
struct key_blink_trigger_
{
    blink_period_t period;
    blink_action_t action;
    blink_color_t color;
} __attribute__((__packed__));
```

nesC (TinyOS)

```
<BlinkTrigger type="composed/siemens/BlinkTrigger/1">
<header type="composed:knowledge_header_t" version="1">
<id type="composed:knowledge_item_id_t" version="1">
<topic type="basic:integer" version="1">0</topic>
<key type="basic:integer" version="1">0</key>
<node_id type="basic:integer" version="1">0</node_id>
<timestamp type="basic:integer" version="1">0</timestamp>
</id>
<scope type="basic:integer" version="1">0</scope>
<payload_size type="basic:integer" version="1">0</payload_size>
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<period type="basic:integer" version="1">0</period>
<action type="basic:integer" version="1">0</action>
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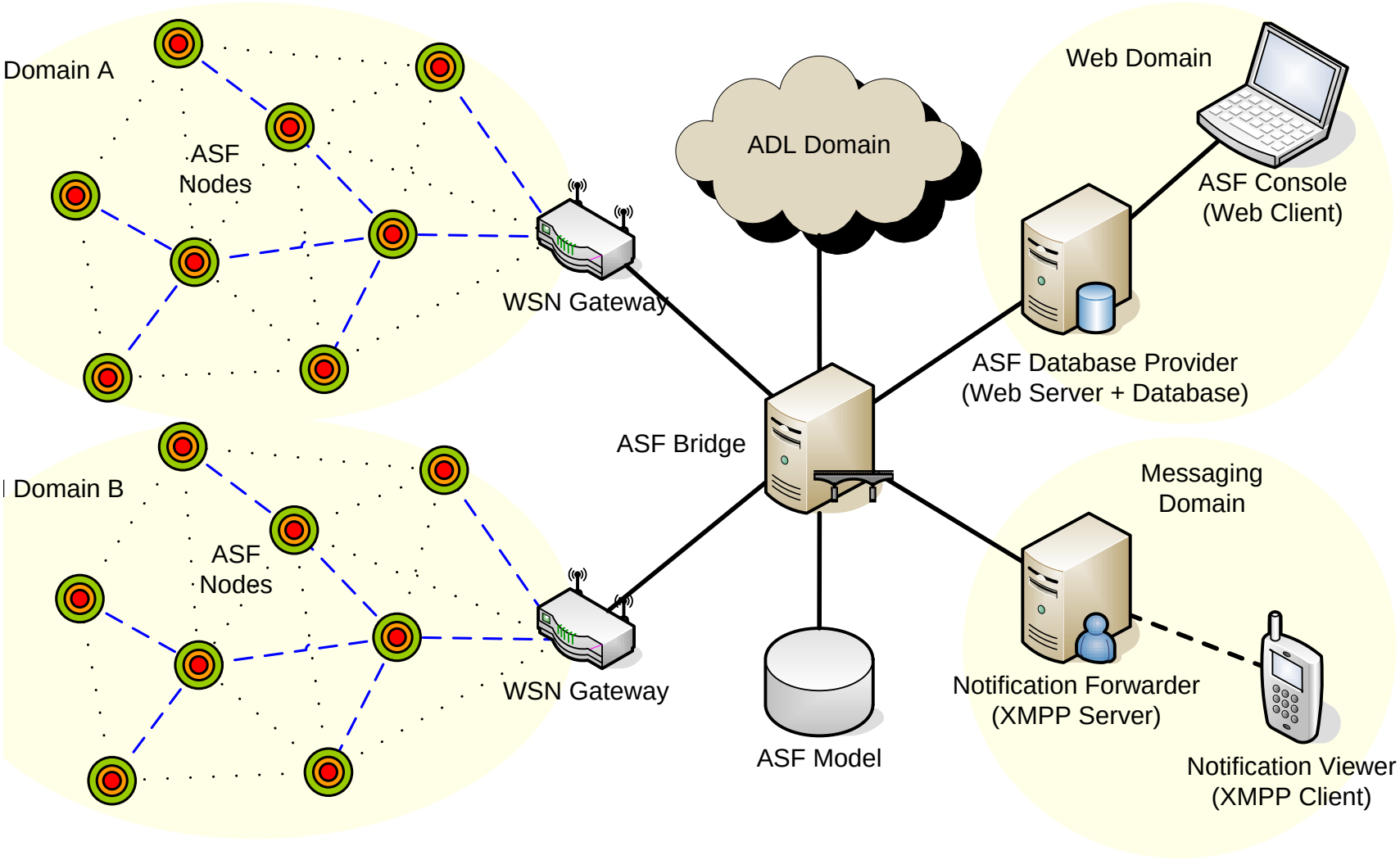
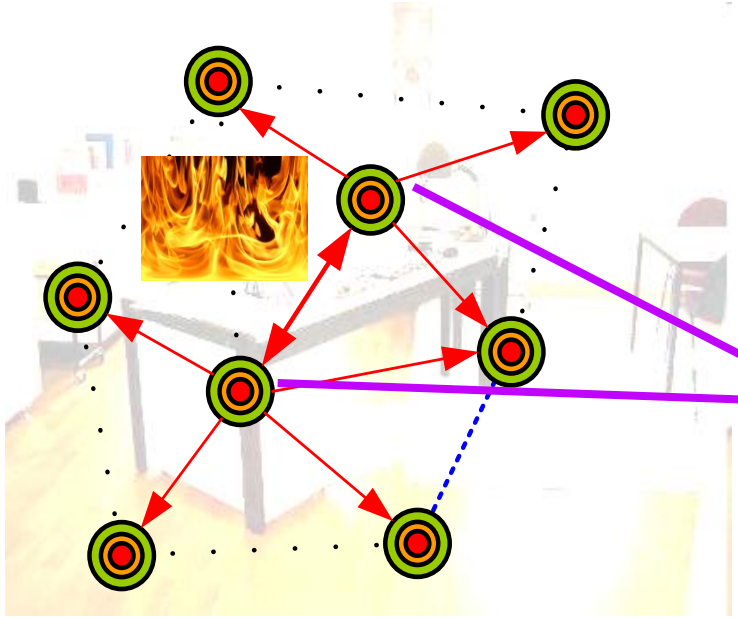
ADL XML

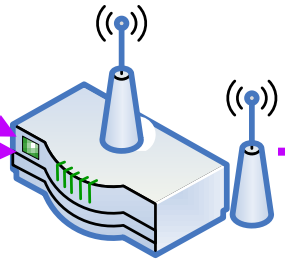
XMPP

Demonstrator System Architecture

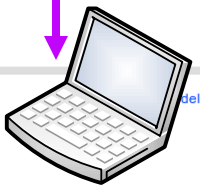


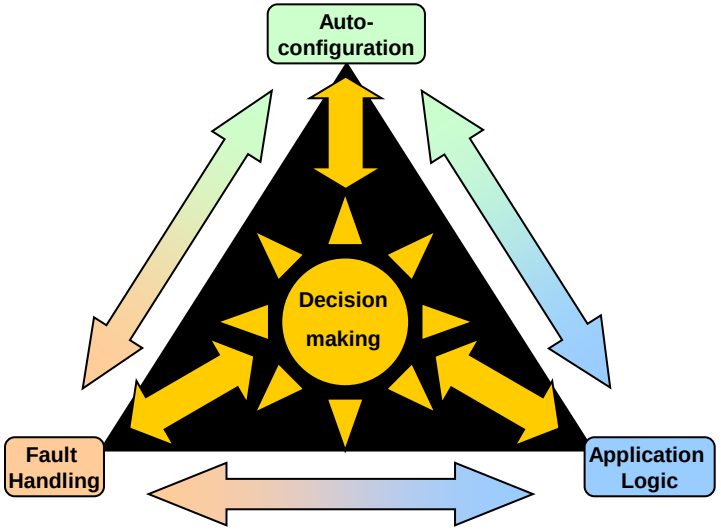
Demonstrator – Fire Alarm Application





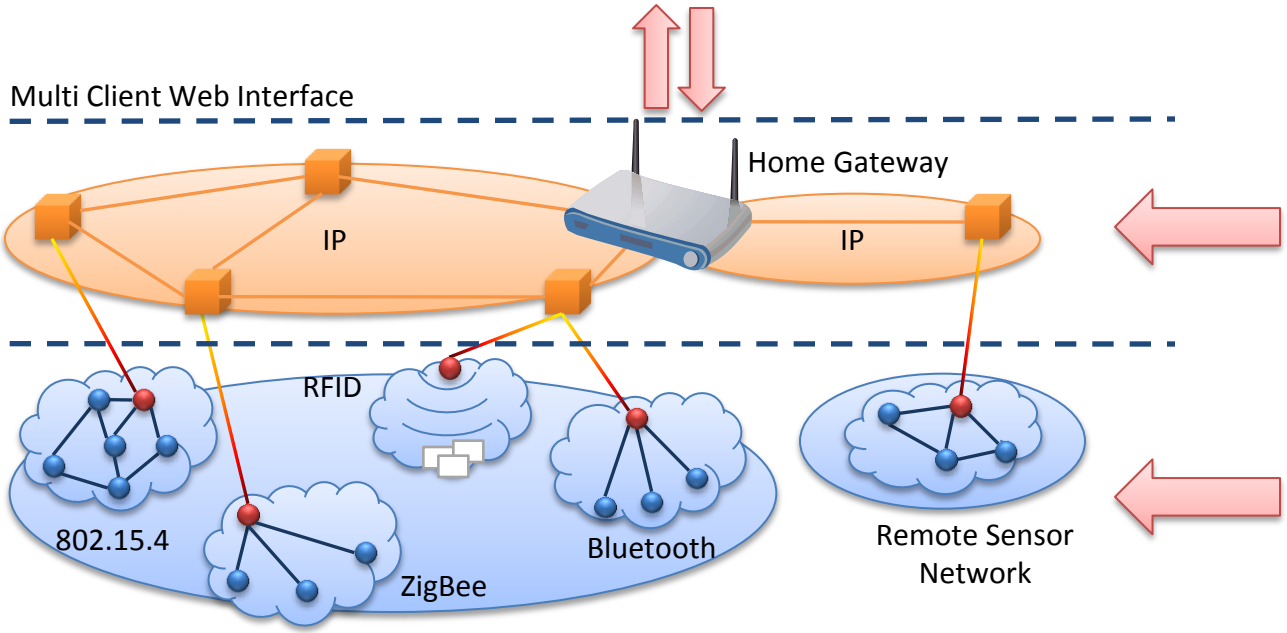
Notification Viewer
(XMPP Client)





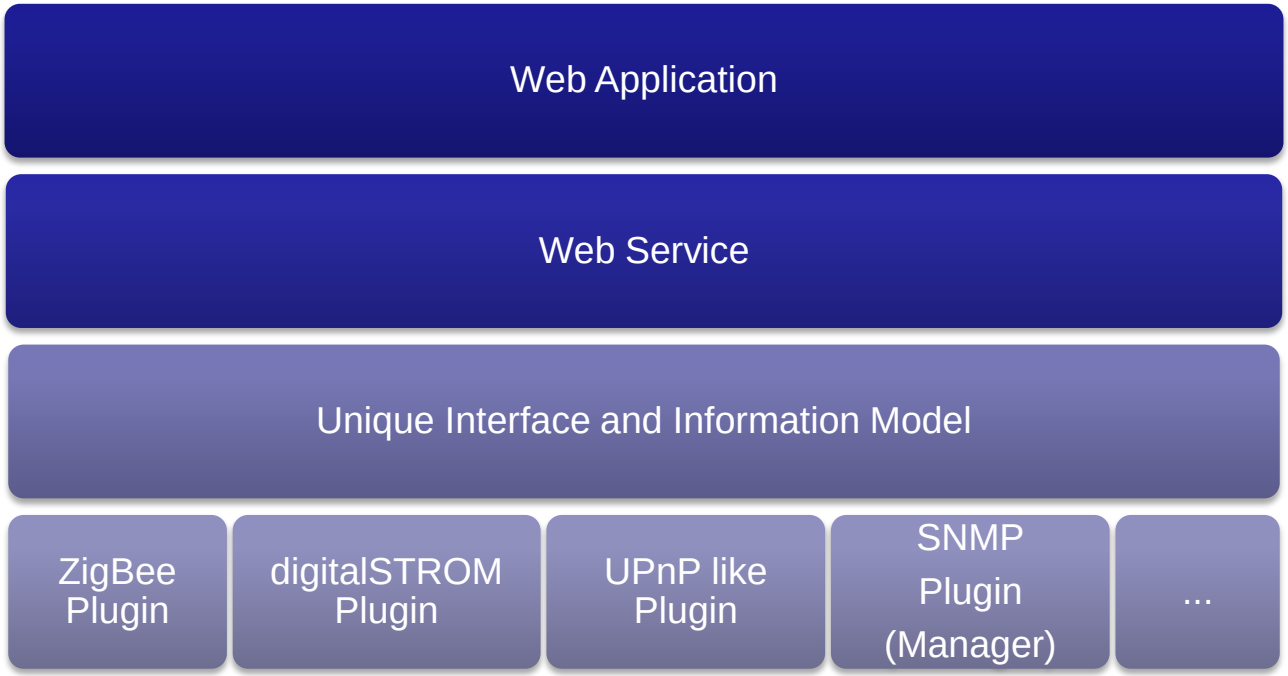
Home Gateway Architecture

- Support for different embedded technologies, IP routing nodes, end devices, and network management tools

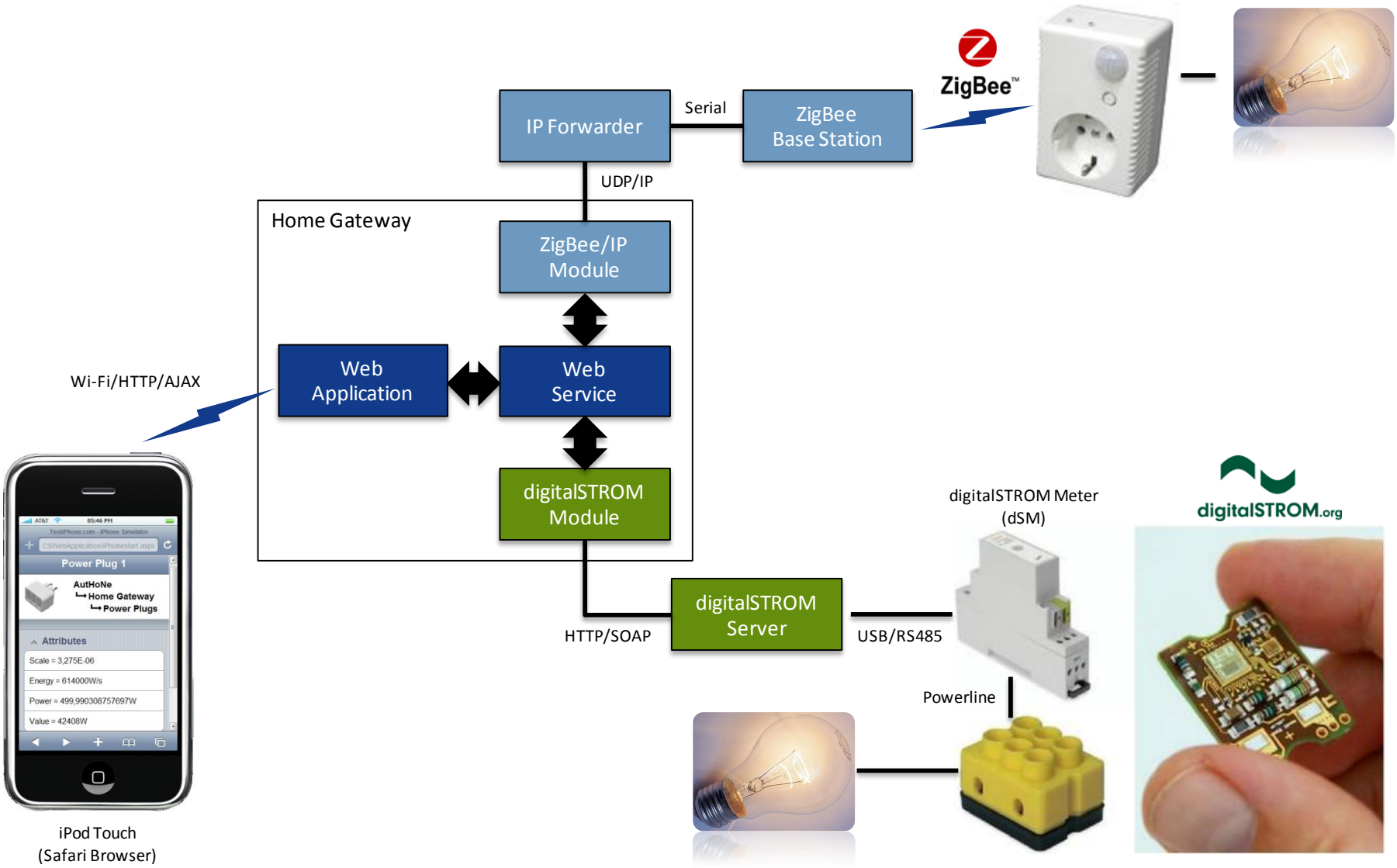


Home Gateway Software Concept

- Layered software architecture design that abstracts from the different technology domains in the network
- Plugins can adapt the technology specific semantic to an unique model provided by an unique interface
- Model is used by Web Service/Web Application for remote access by other services, knowledge entities or end devices

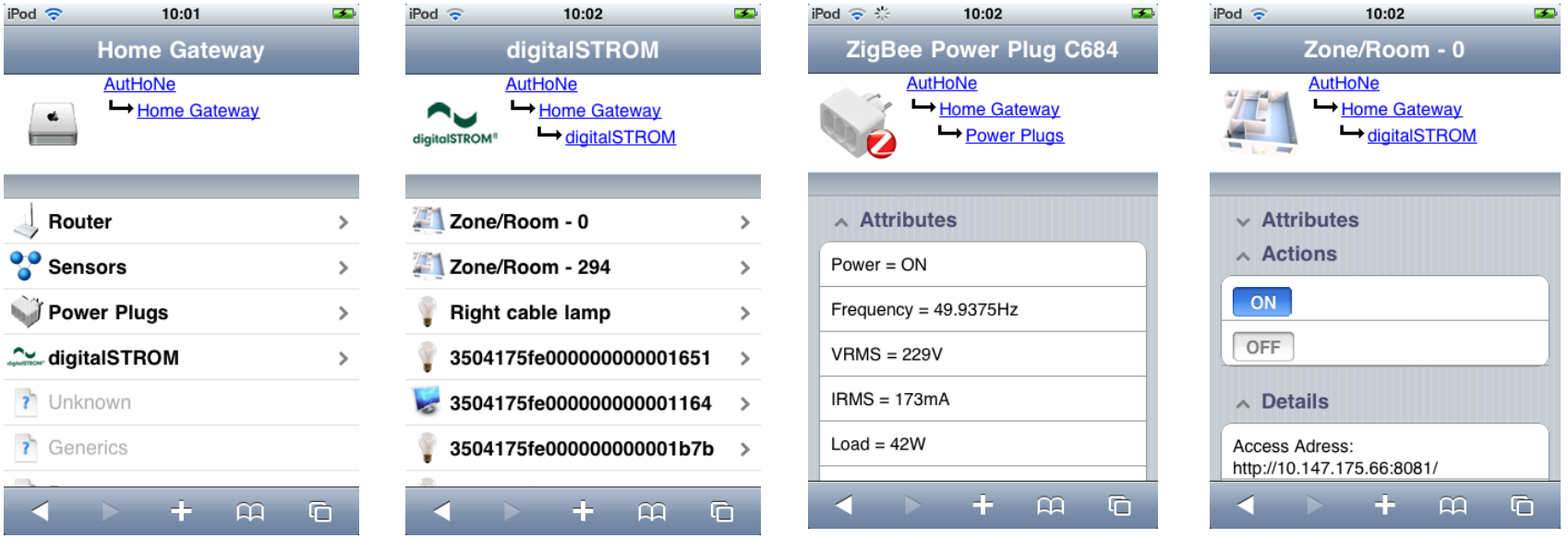


ZigBee and digitalSTROM Support



Multi Client Systems

- Remote access to the Home Gateway through iPod/iPhone or other state of the art end devices
- “Multi Client Systems” through different types of Web (2.0) applications in front of the gateway web service
- Enabling rapid development and flexible design to support new device categories



Network Management

- Support of SNMP by a small SNMP-Agent connected to ZigBee
- Hirschmann (former project partner) Industrial HiVision as SNMP Manager that can access ZigBee power plugs with an own MIB