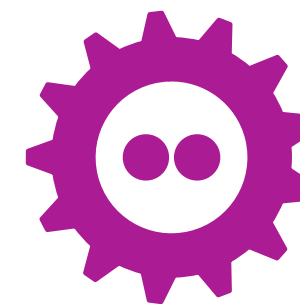


Discovering Indoor Environments and Positioning Systems

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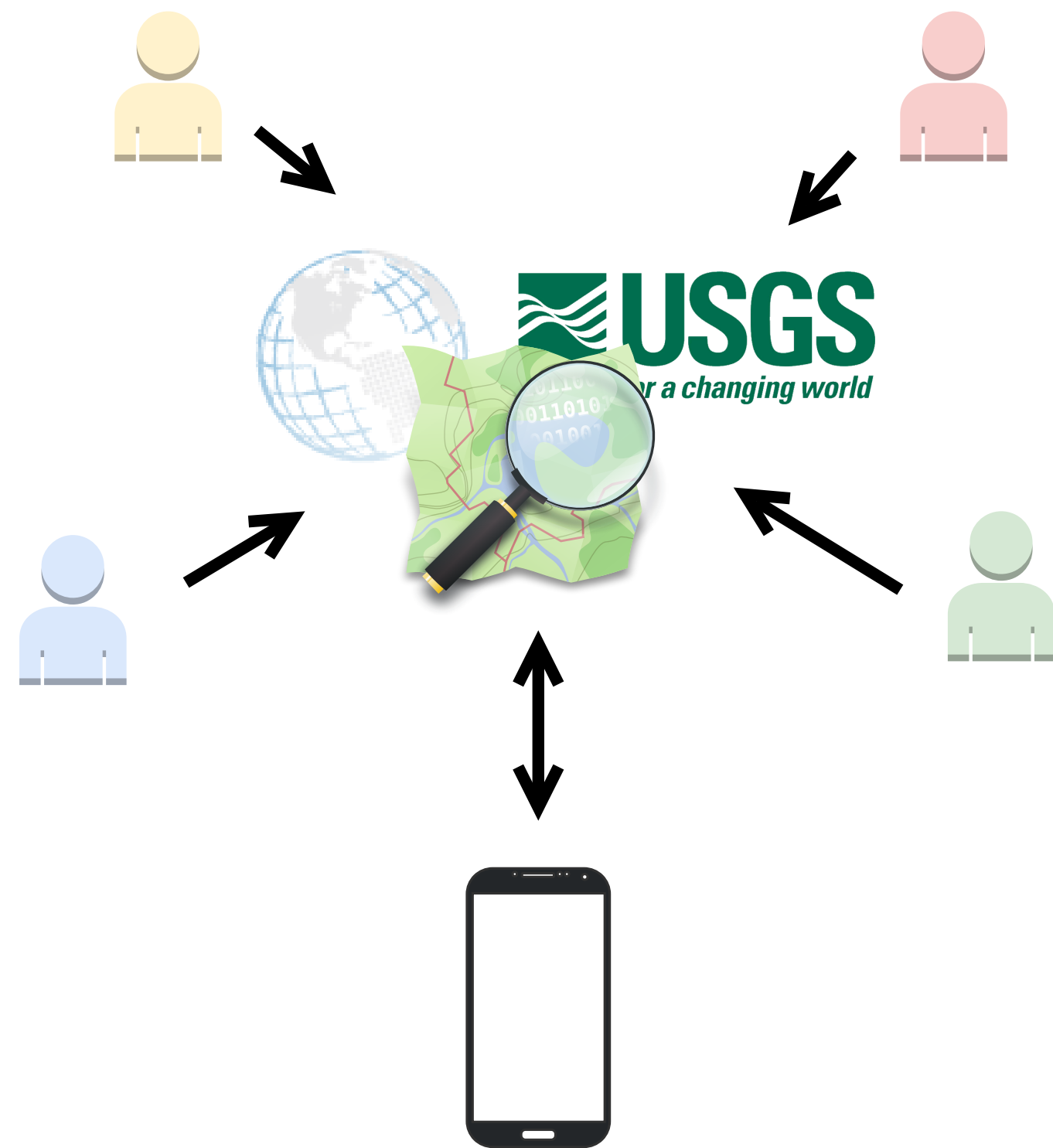


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- 🔍 **Interests:** Indoor positioning systems, linked data, and interoperability of positioning systems



Current state of geospatial data

Outdoor data

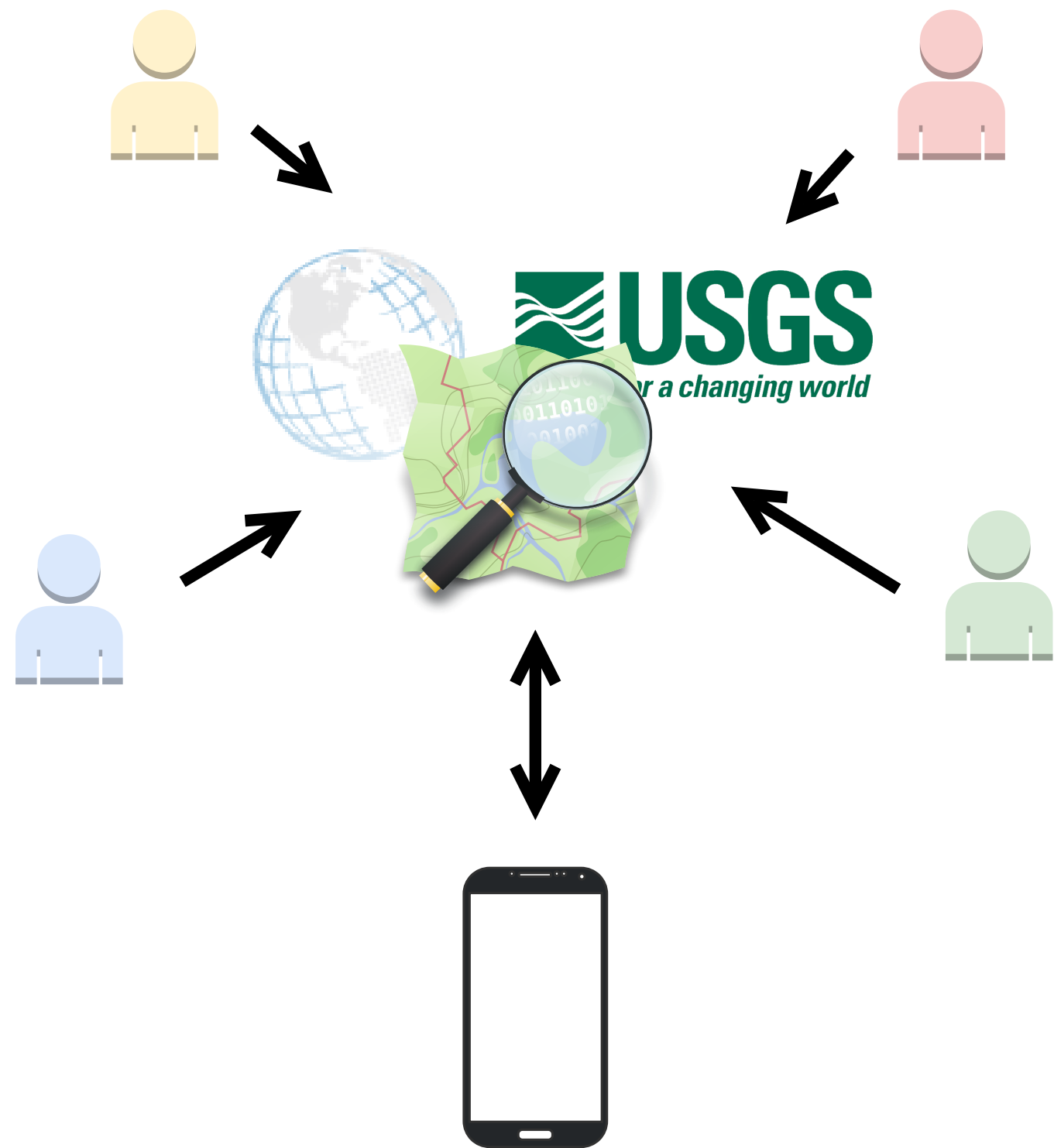


Indoor data



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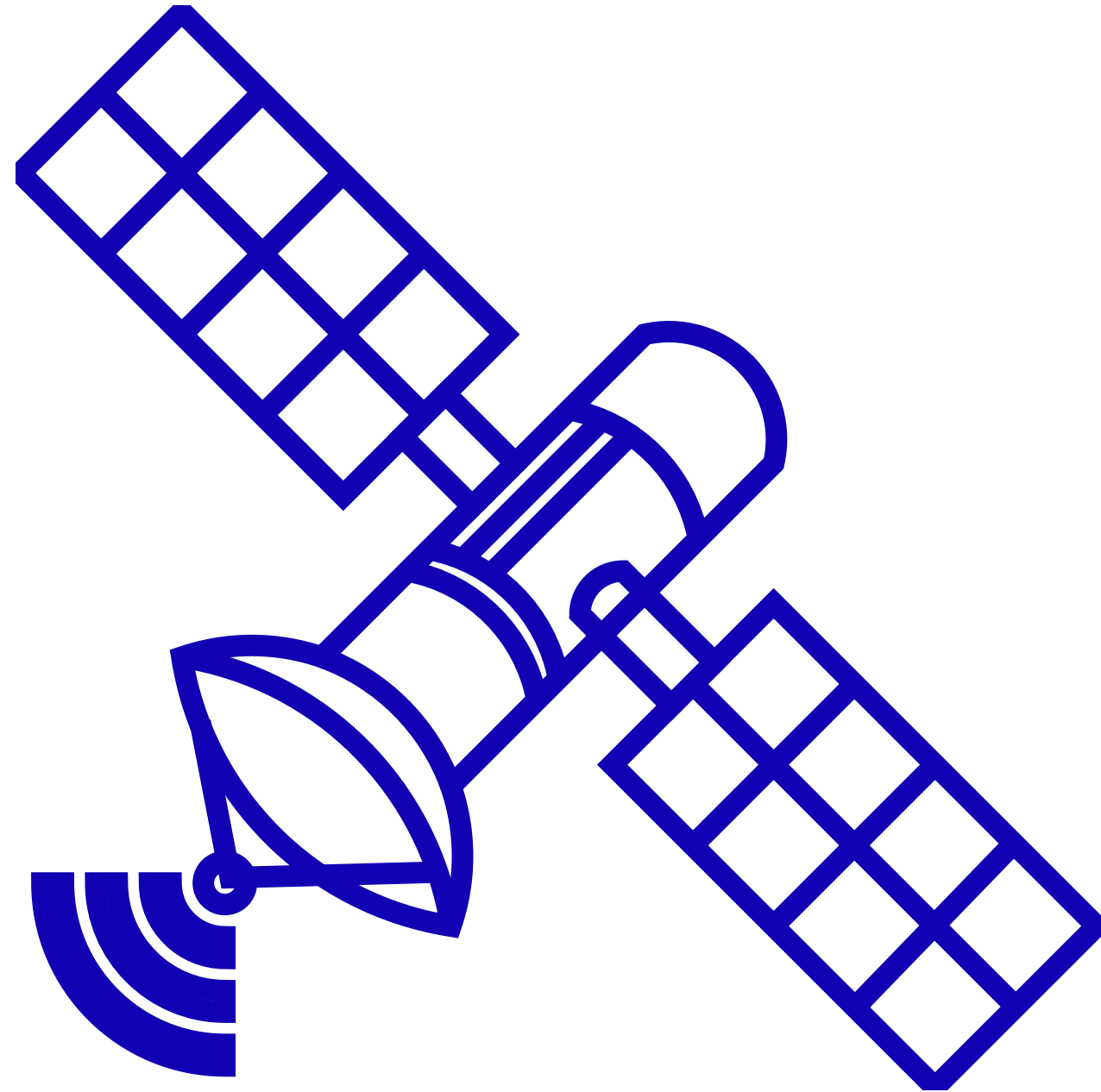


Indoor data



Current state of positioning systems

Outdoor



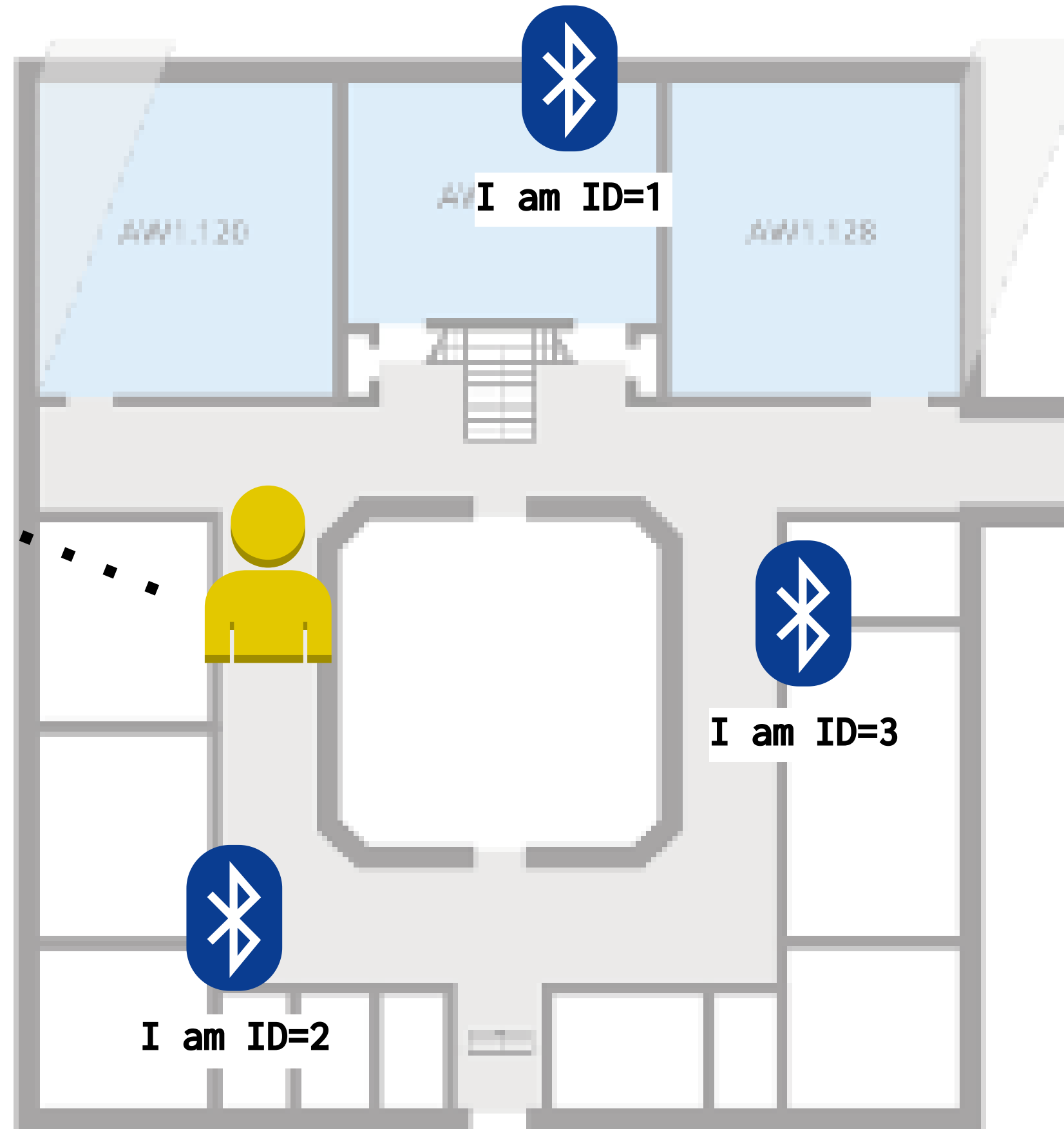
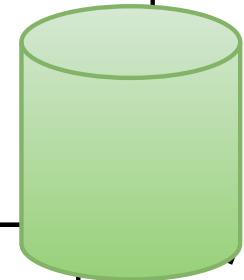
Indoor



Current state of positioning systems ...

Database (local/cloud)	
<u>ID</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	X=2, Y=3
...	...
3	X=4, Y=3

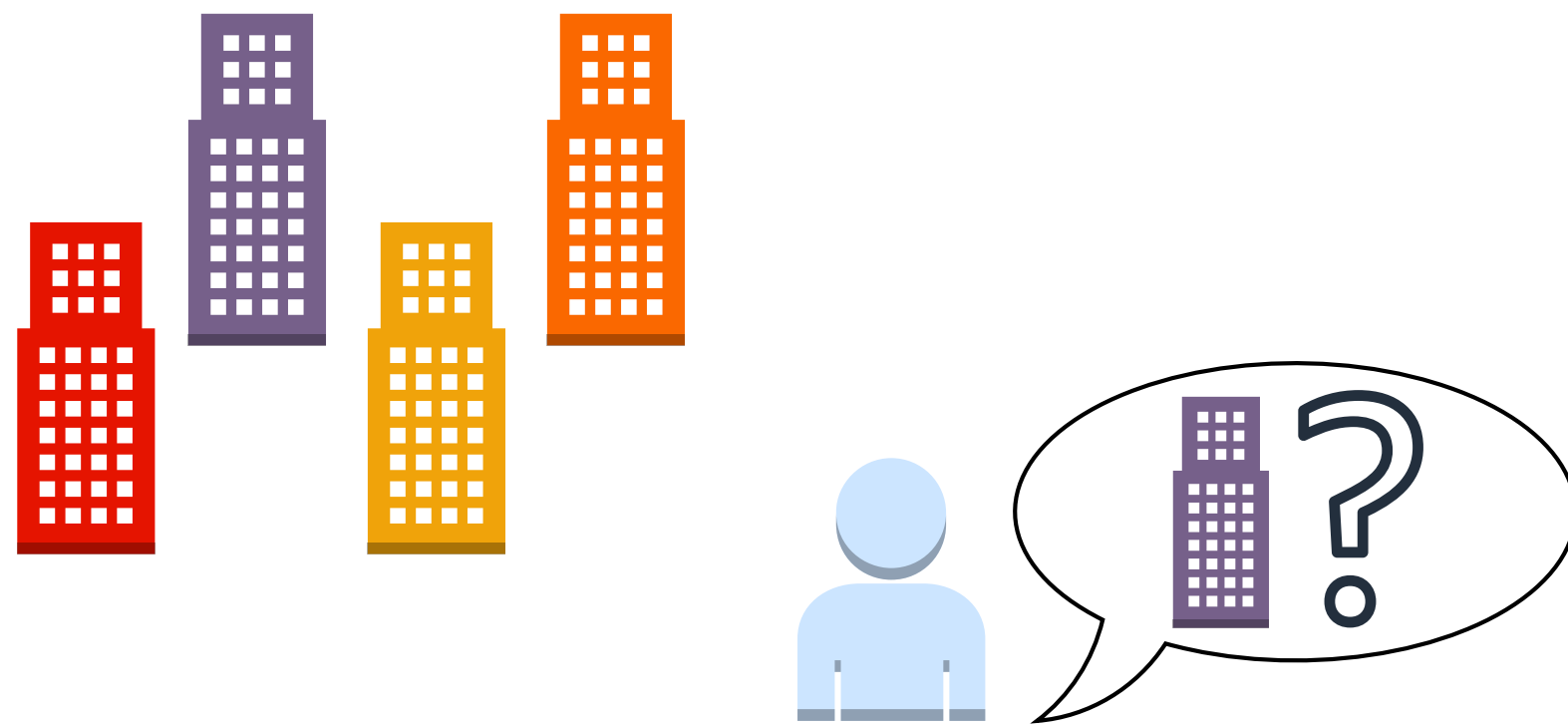
Database (local/cloud)	
<u>Building</u>	<u>Floor</u>
AW	1
...	...
K	2



Global and Local Geospatial Data Discovery

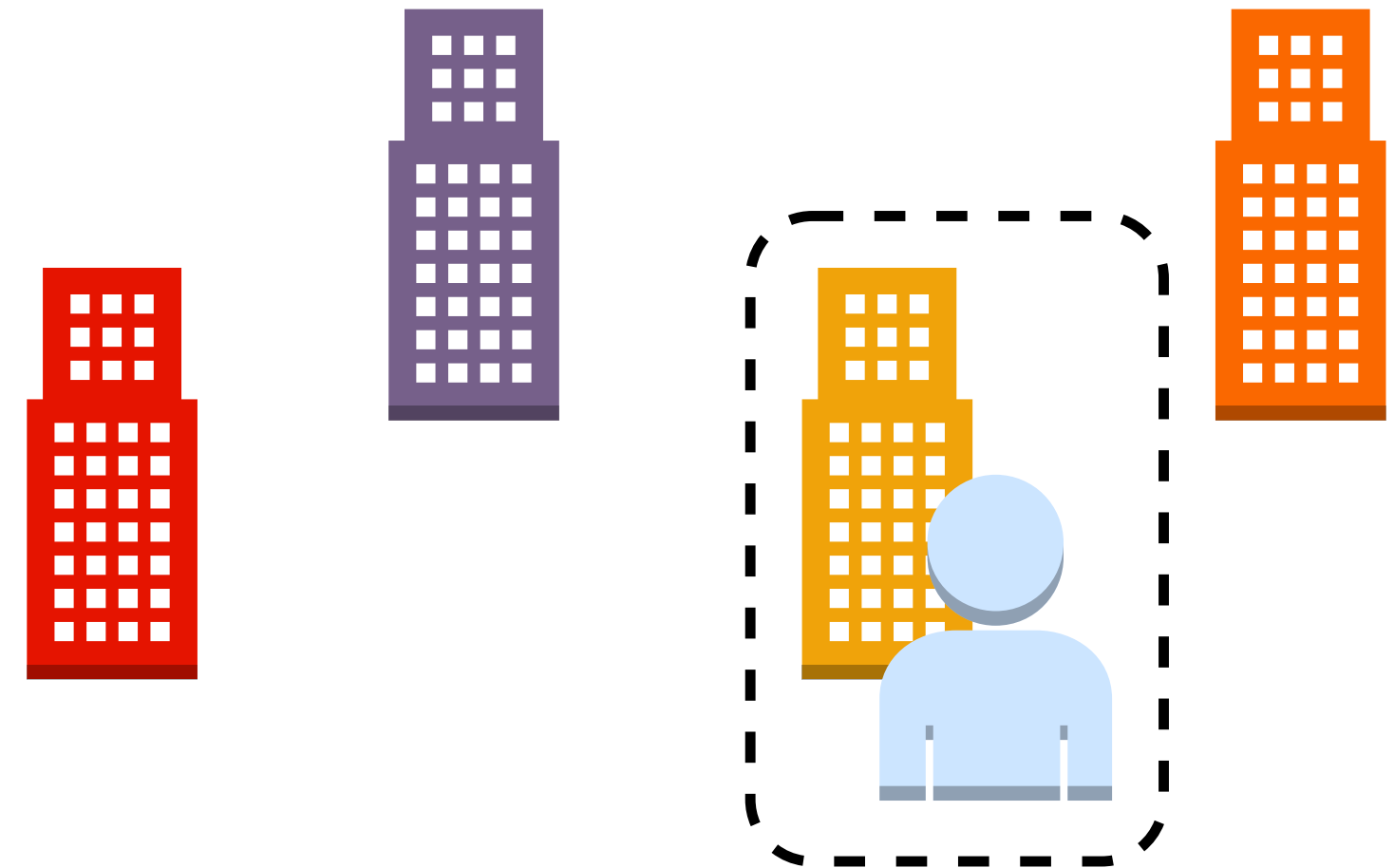
Global Discovery

Find data globally about a particular location



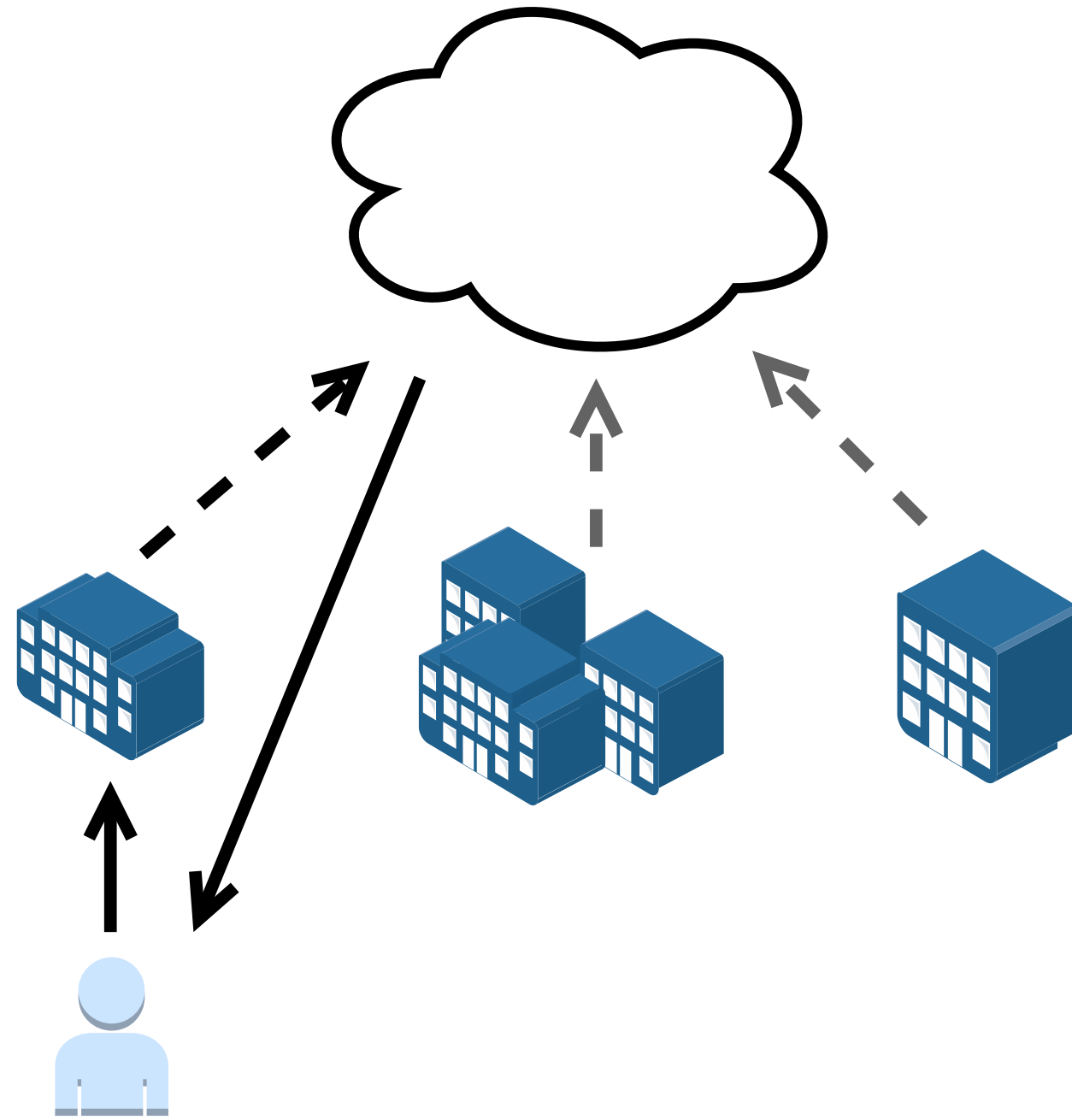
Local Discovery

Find data locally at a particular location



Geospatial-centric data discovery

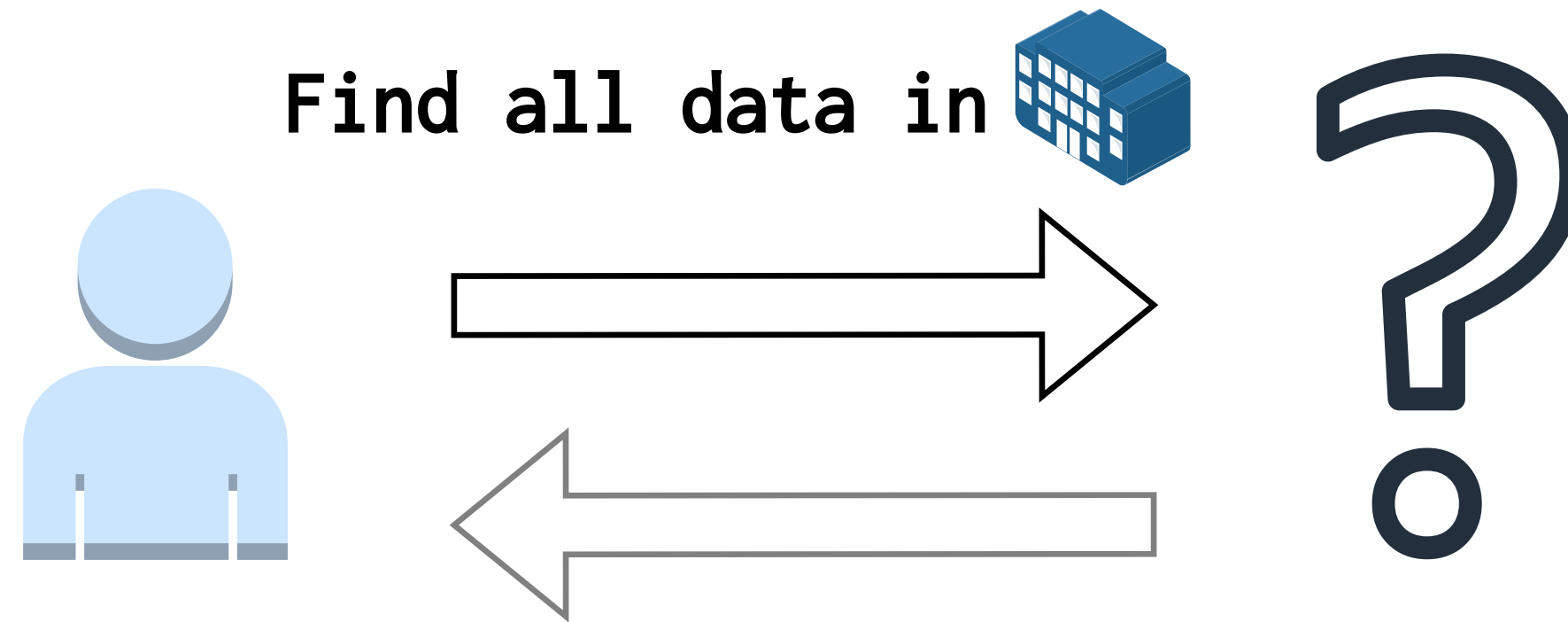
Discovery of geospatial data through the very locations it represents, rather than predefined services.



Geospatial-centric data discovery ...

Challenge 1

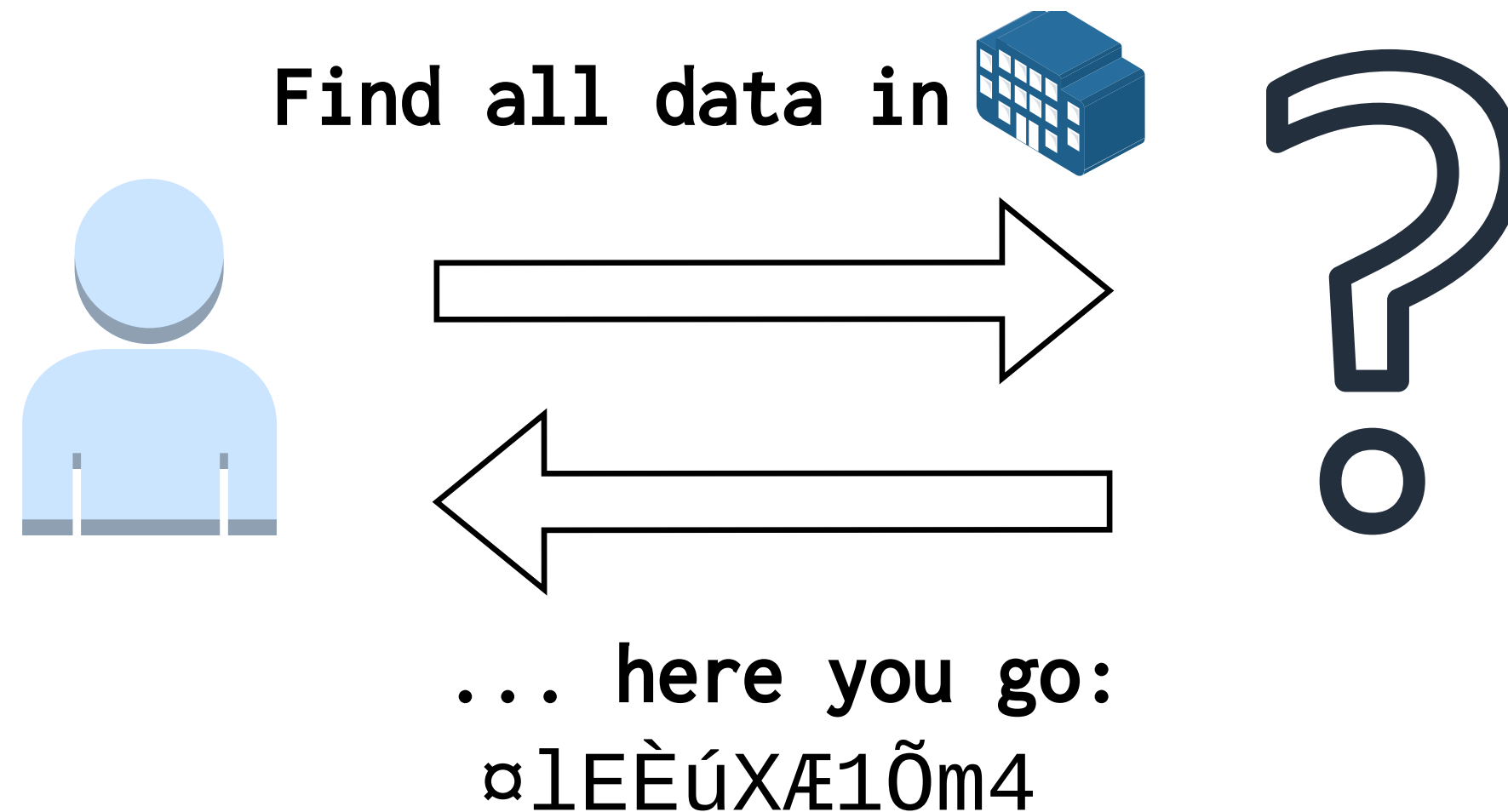
How to discover data without relying on a discovery service?



Geospatial-centric data discovery ...

Challenge 2

How to understand the discovered data?



Geospatial-centric data discovery ...

Challenge 2

How to understand the discovered data?

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Simple Indoor Tagging

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Simple Indoor Tagging is a tagging schema for Indoor Mapping. This document was created in 2014 by SimonPoole, Tordanik, P...

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MapKit / MapKit for AppKit and UIKit / Displaying an Indoor Map

Sample Code

Displaying an Indoor Map

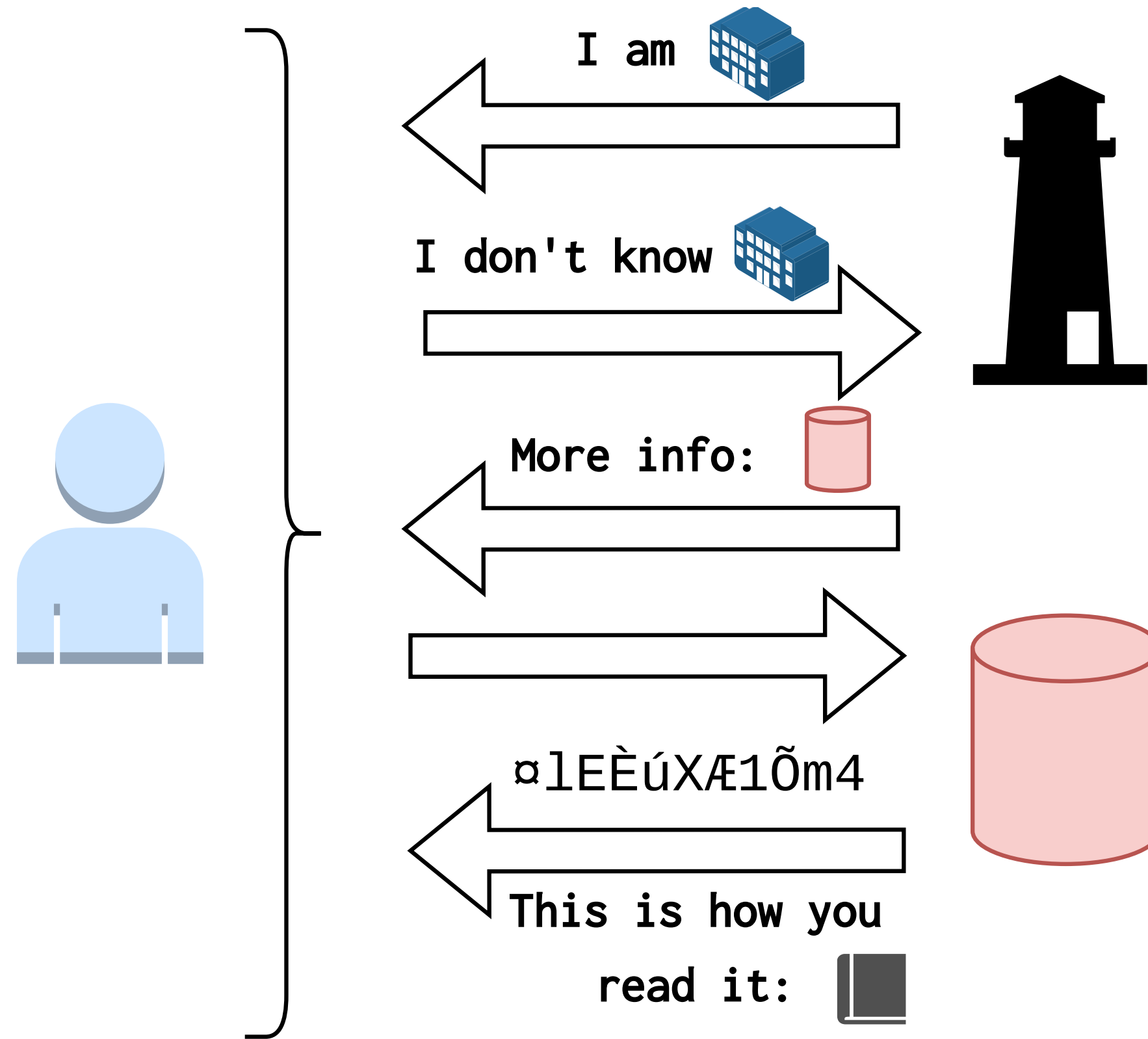
Use the Indoor Mapping Data Format (IMDF) to show an indoor map with points of interest.

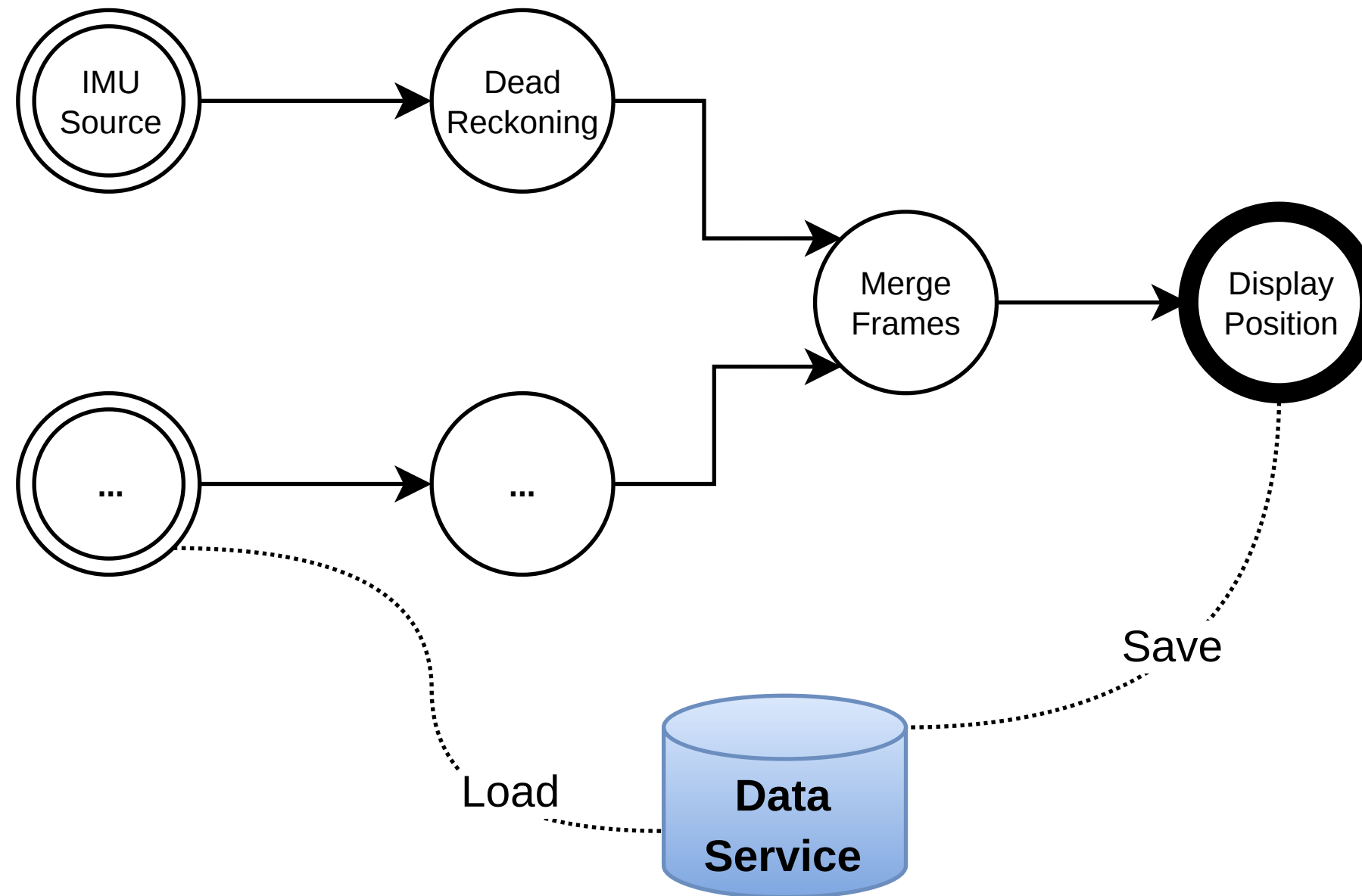
Download

iOS 17.6+ | iPadOS 17.6+ | Xcode 16.0+

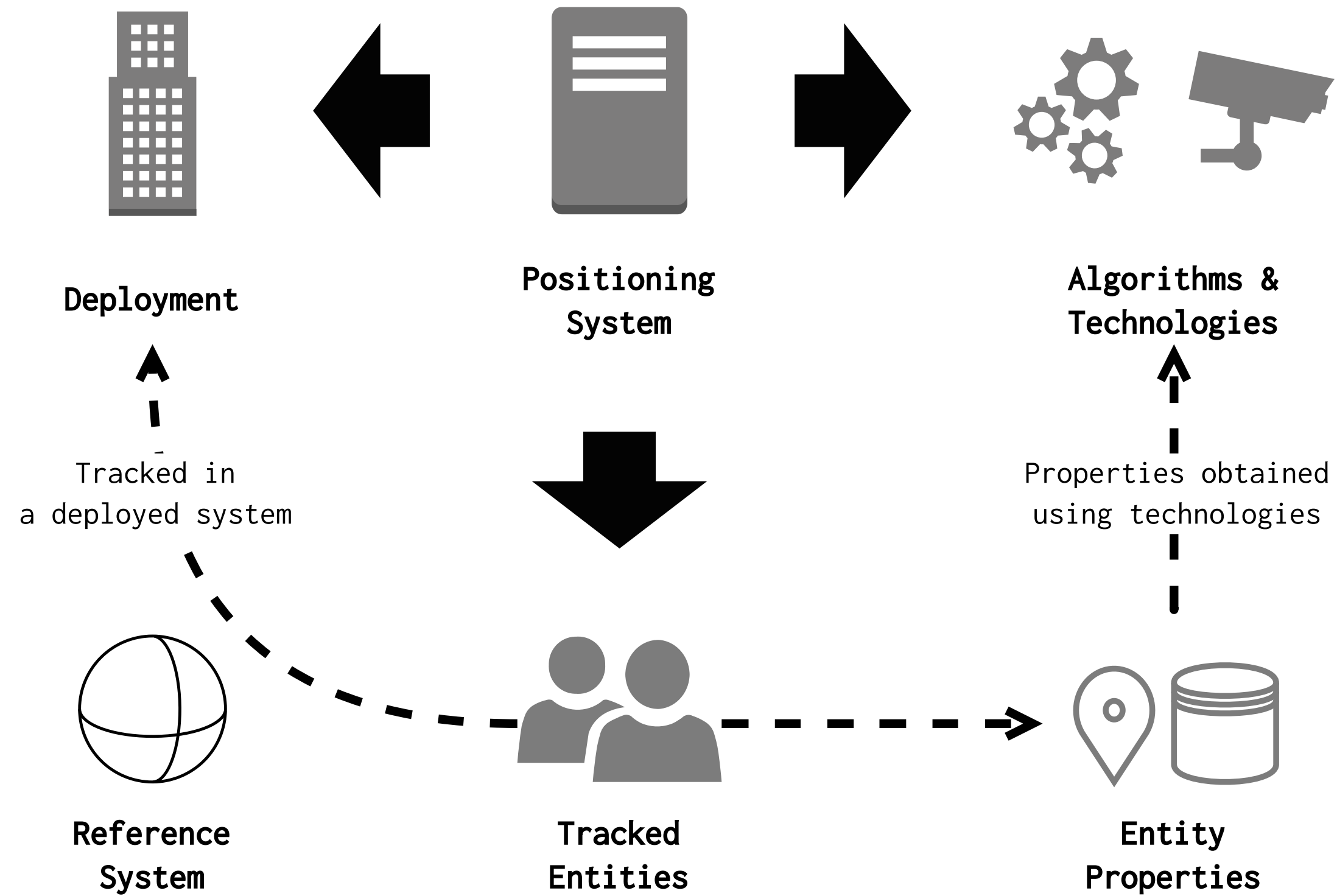
WRLD Indoor Map Form

Geospatial-centric data discovery ...

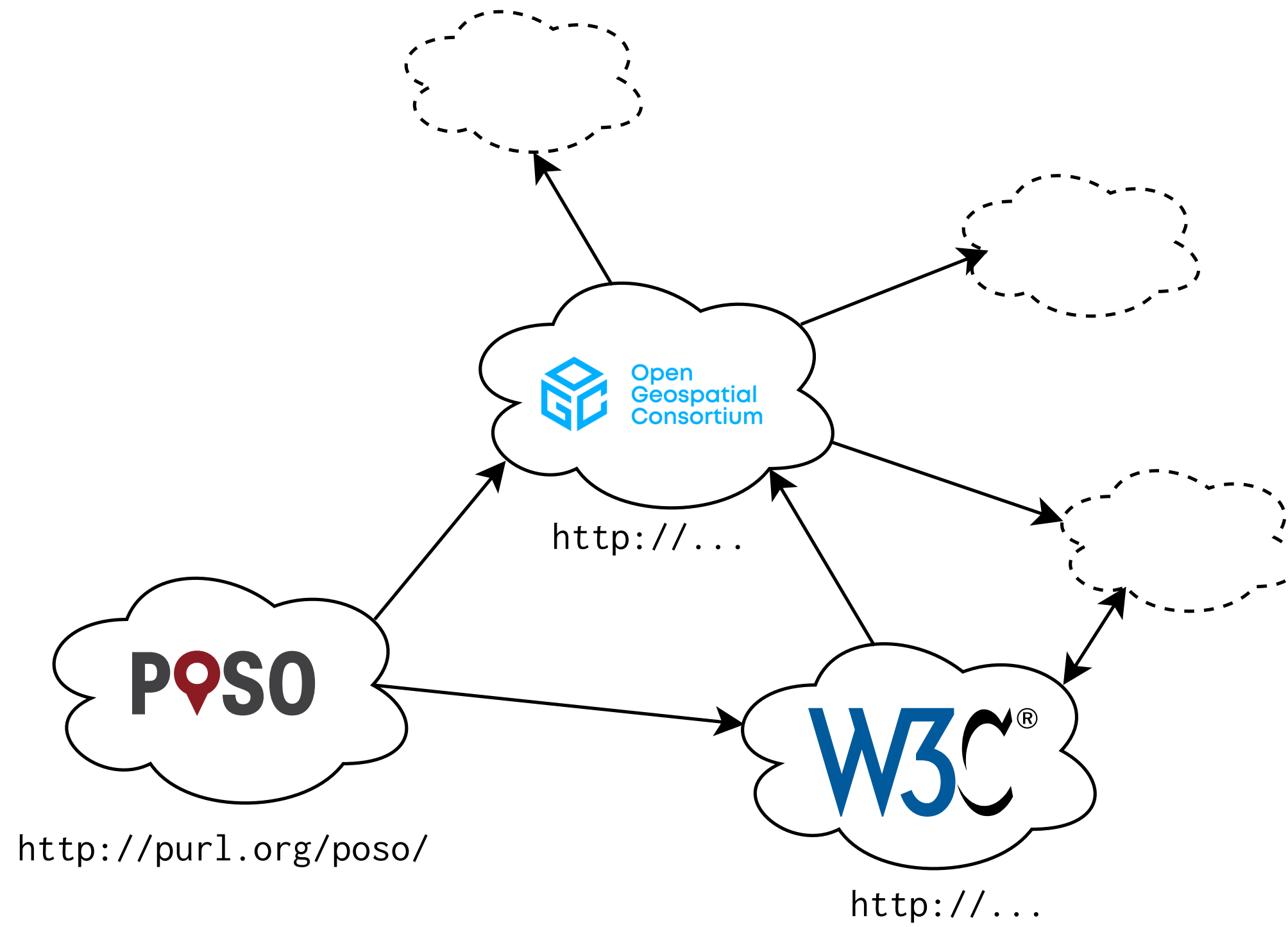




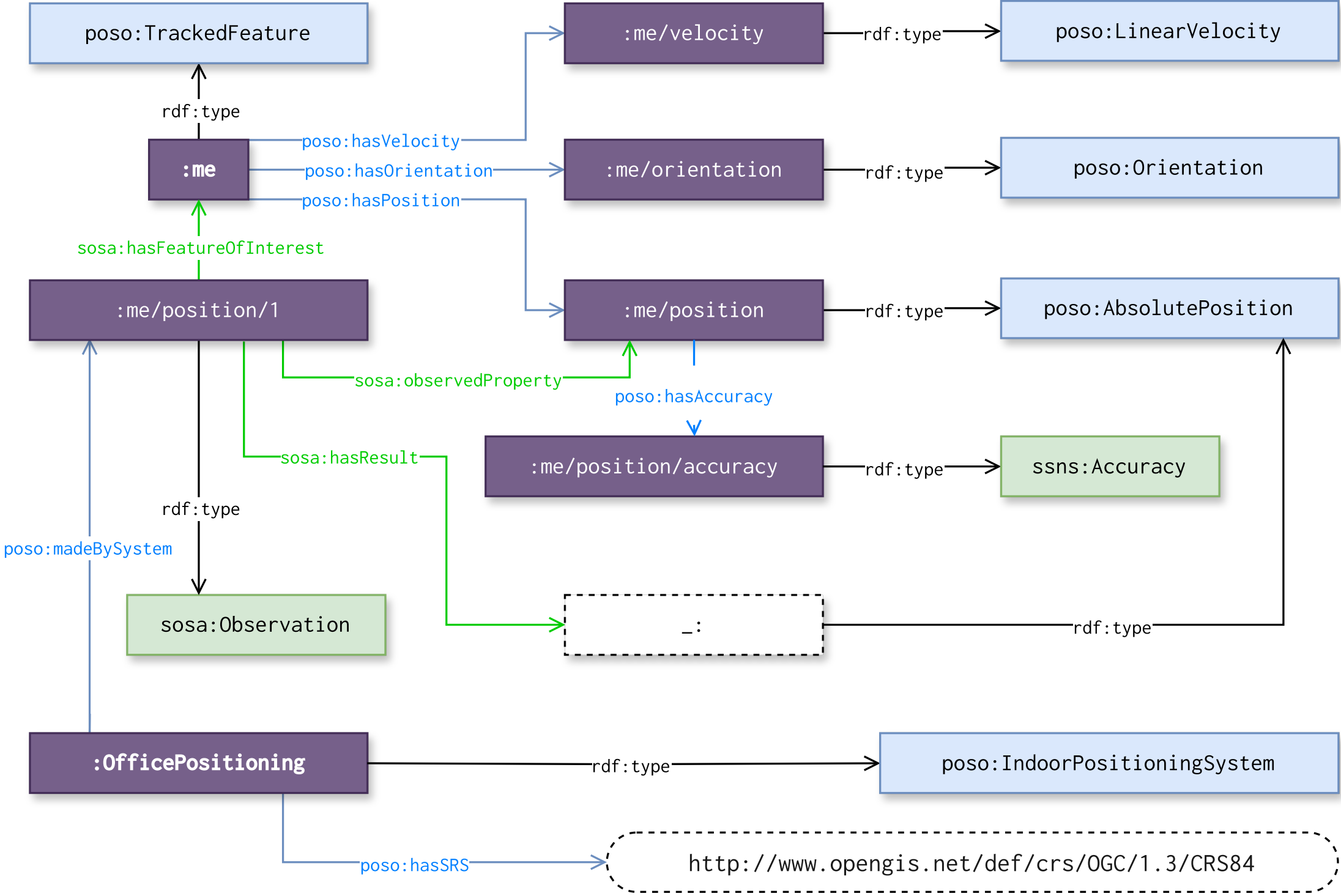
For more information, visit the [FOSDEM 2022 talk of OpenHPS](#).



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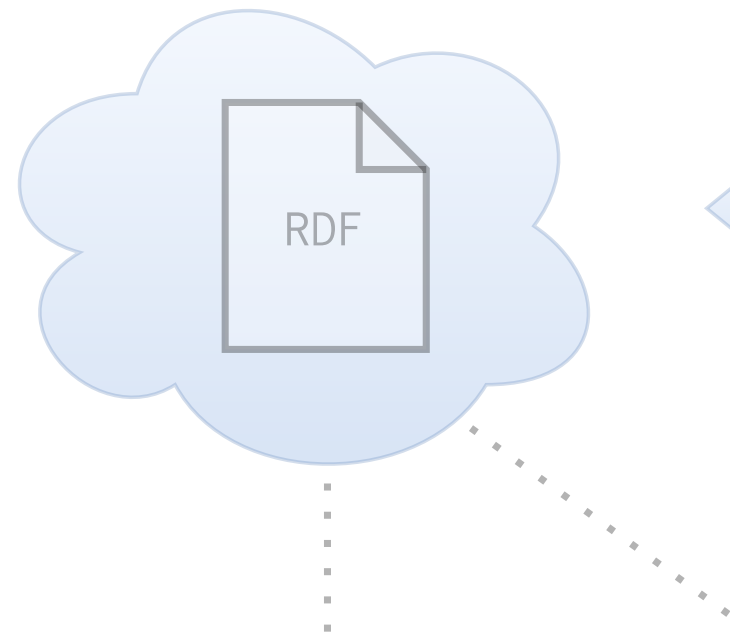
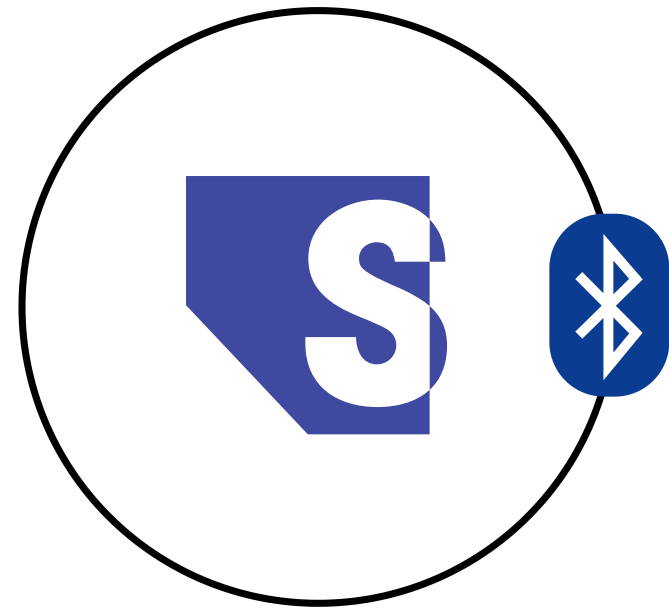


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Hey I am a 0xBEAC with
<namespace> <instance> !



I do not know your namespace



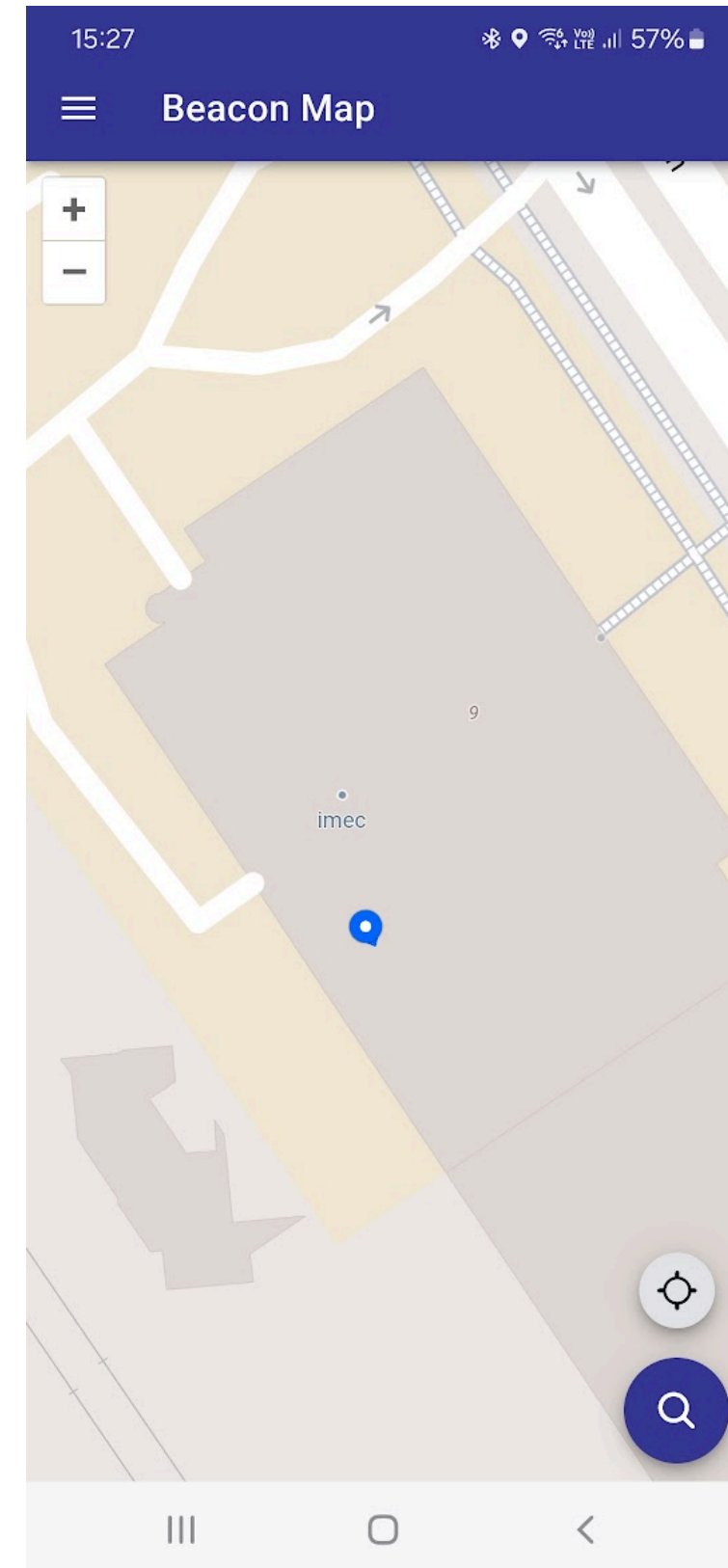
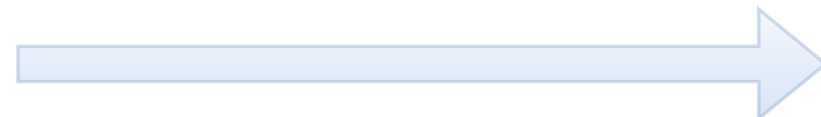
Check <https://bit.ly/3JsEnF9>



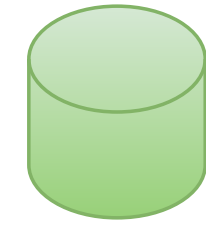
HTTP GET (Accept: text/turtle,
application/rdf+xml)



Linked data response



Check cache

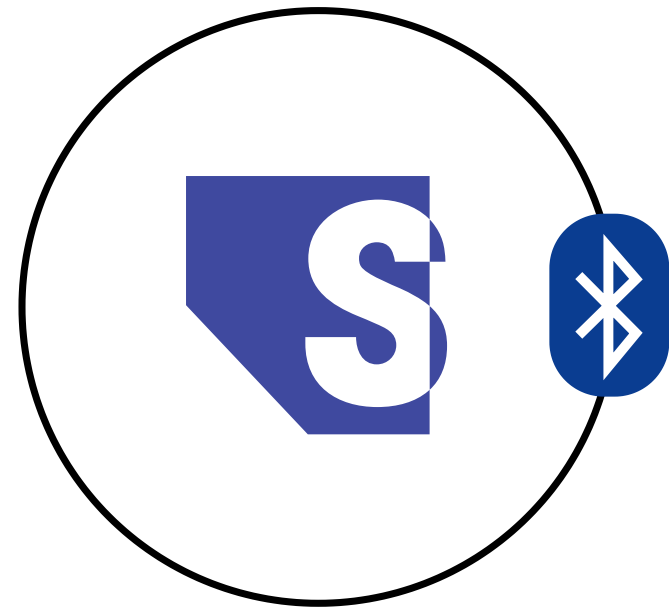


Cache <namespace>
and all beacons
within response



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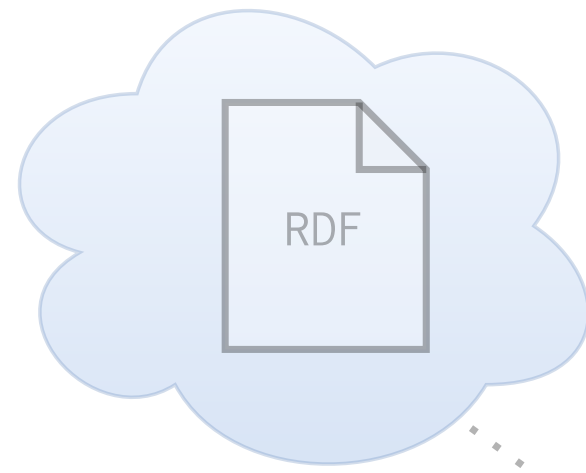
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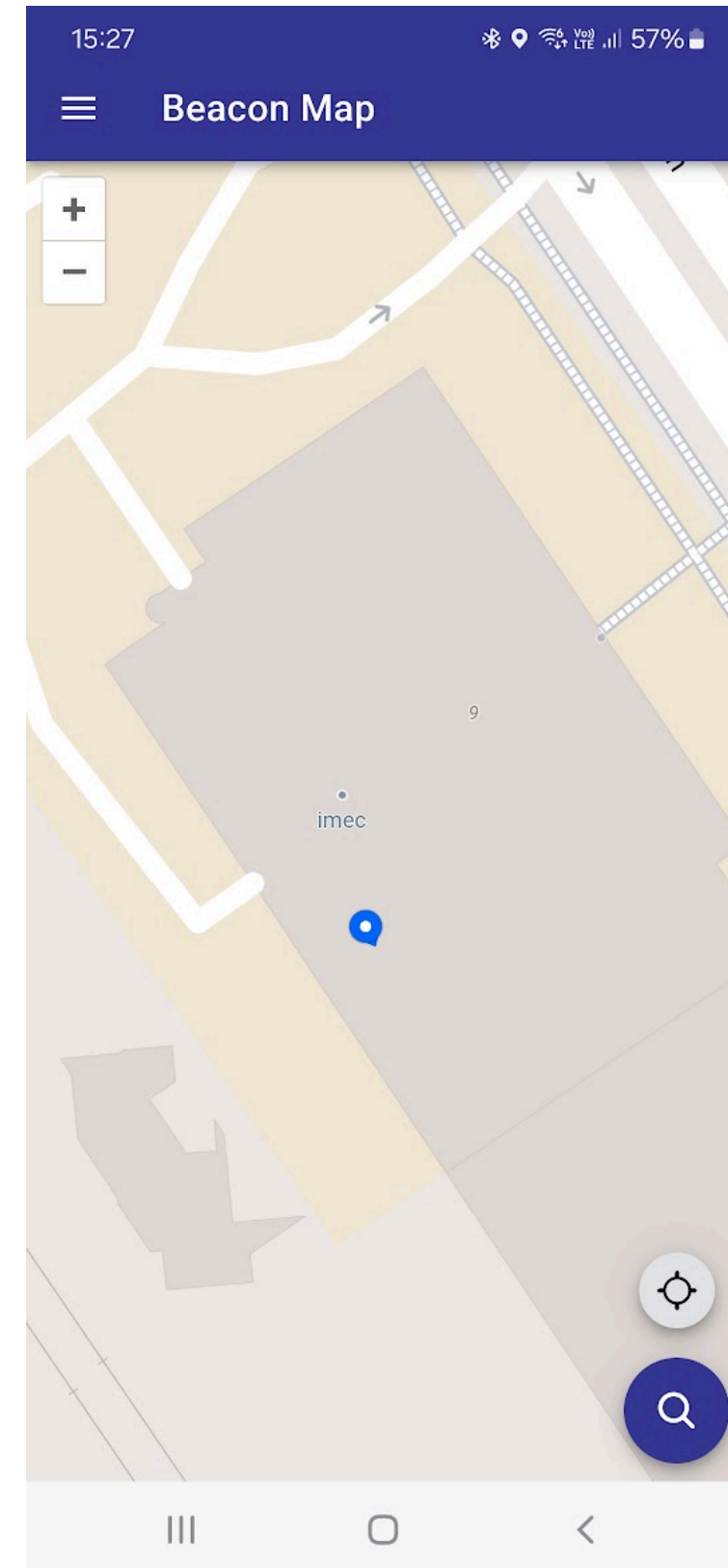
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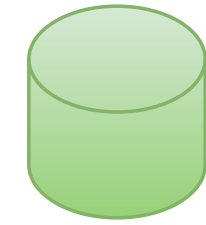
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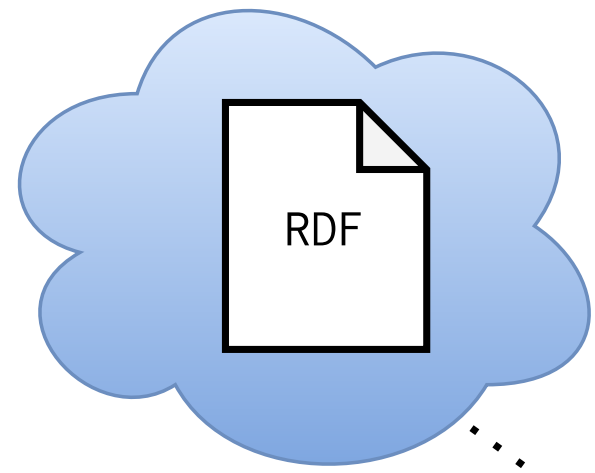
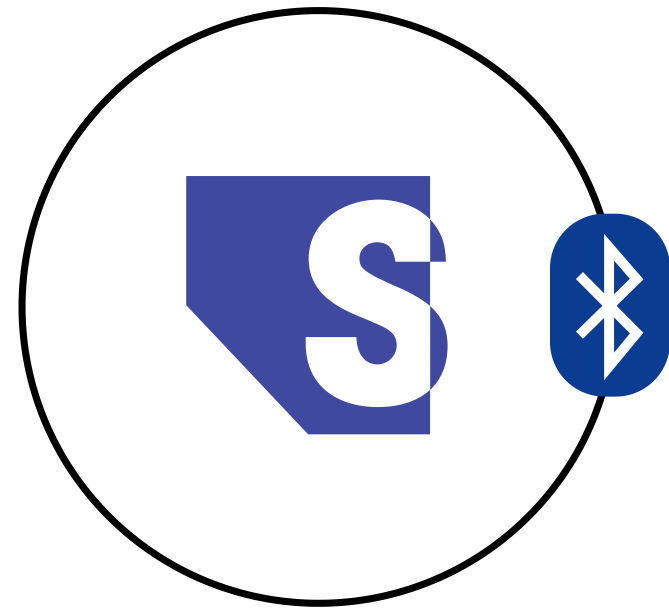


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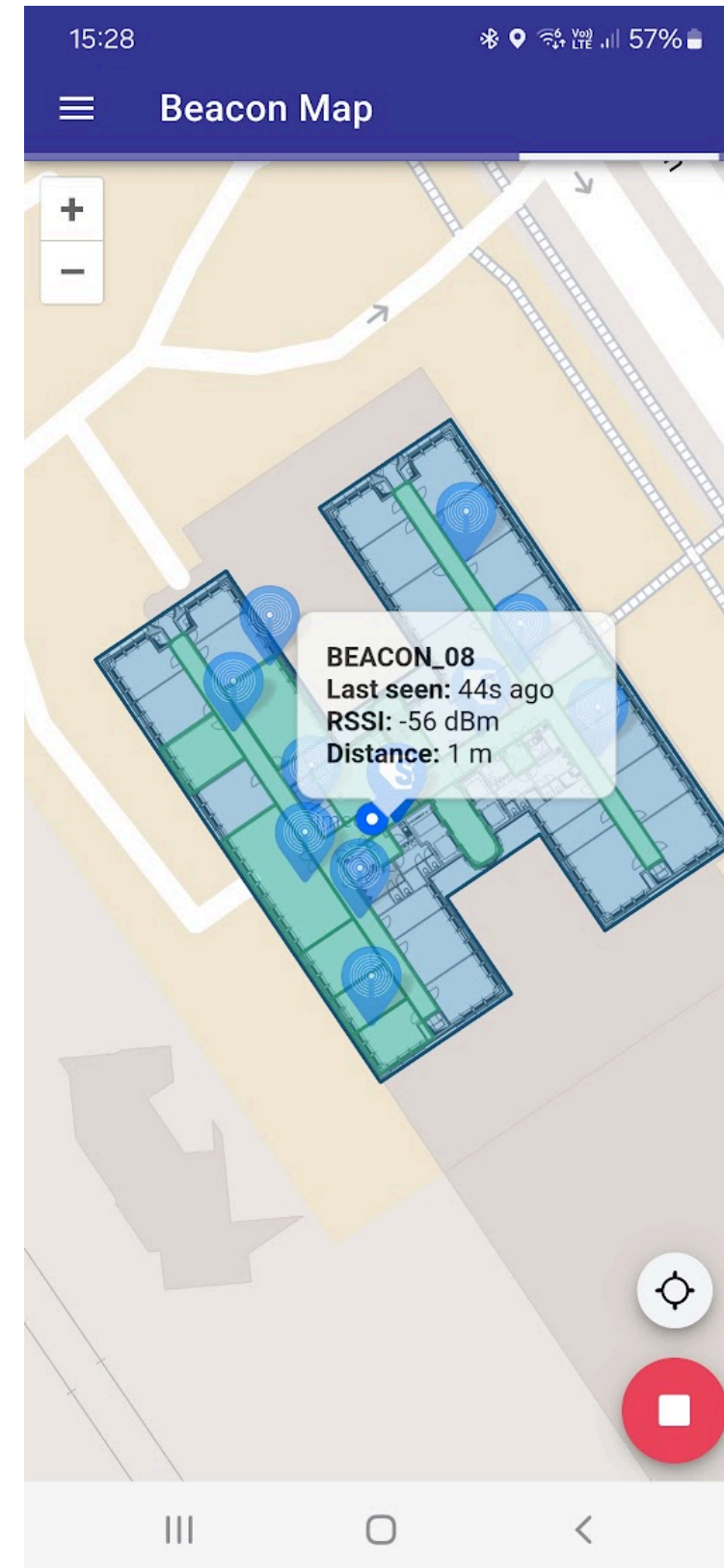
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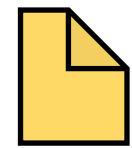
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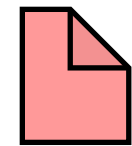
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SemBeacon > Namespace and Instance



`http://example.org/beacons.ttl#`

MD5("http://example.org/beacons.ttl#") =
24d72e569889db5328be761d8488688d



`http://other.org/beacons.ttl#`

MD5("http://other.org/beacons.ttl#") = **08483bc99d448c83bff6cb9d5bccd40d**



Namespace ID: **0x24d72e569889db5328be761d8488688d**
Instance ID: 0x00000001
Resource URI: `http://example.org/beacons.ttl#b1`
Short Resource URI: `https://tinyurl.com/3u9tpt7k`



Namespace ID: **0x08483bc99d448c83bff6cb9d5bccd40d**
Instance ID: 0x00000001
Resource URI: `http://other.org/beacons.ttl#b1`
Short Resource URI: `https://tinyurl.com/bdmbu7jb`



Type: iBeacon
UUID: **0x24d72e569889db5328be761d8488688d**
Major: 0x0000 **Minor:** 0x0003




Type: AltBeacon
ID: **0x08483bc99d448c83bff6cb9d5bccd40d00000003**

SemBeacon > Bluetooth Specification

BLE 4.X

- ▶ AltBeacon + Eddystone-URL + Flags

SemBeacon Advertisement Data (31 bytes) 

Adv Flags	Len	Type	Company ID	Beacon Code	Namespace ID	Instance ID	TX @ 1m	Flags
-	0x1B	0xFF	uint16	0xBEAC	128-bit UUID	32-bit UUID	int8	-

SemBeacon Scan Response Data (max 24 bytes) 

Len	Type	UUID	Frame	TX @ 0m	URI Prefix	Encoded Short Resource URI
0x??	0x16	0xFEAA	0x10	int8	uint8	uint8[]

Eddystone-URL compatible service

0x00 'http://www.'
 0x01 'https://www.'
 0x02 'http://'
 0x03 'https://'
 0x04 'urn:uuid:'

US-ASCII URL

0x00 '.com/'	0x06 '.com'
0x01 '.org/'	0x07 '.org'
0x02 '.edu/'	0x08 '.edu'
0x03 '.info/'	0x09 '.info'
0x04 '.biz/'	0x0A '.biz'
0x05 '.gov/'	0x0B '.gov'

BLE 5.X

- ▶ No scan response

SemBeacon Extended Advertisement Data (max 156 bytes) 

SemBeacon Service	Namespace ID	Instance ID	TX @ 1m	Version	Flags	URI Prefix	Encoded Resource URI
-	128-bit UUID	32-bit UUID	int8	0x10	-	uint8	uint8[]

Len	Type	UUID	Major	Minor
0x??	0x20	0x00BEAC00	0001	0000

0x05 'urn:'
 0x06 'tag:'
 0x06 'http://purl.org/'
 0x07 'https://purl.org/'
 0x08 'http://w3id.org/'
 0x09 'https://w3id.org/'

0x0C '.rdf#'
 0x0D '.ttl#'
 0x0E '.rdf'
 0x0F '.ttl'
 0x10 '.jsonld'

SemBeacon > Bluetooth Specification

Flags

Bit (MSB)	Description	Example
0	Indicates if the beacon has a position.	0 = Unsure, 1 = Yes
1	Indicates if the beacon requires authentication.	0 = Public, 1 = Private
2	Indicates if the beacon is attached to a moving object.	0 = No, 1 = Yes
3	Indicates if the beacon has a positioning system.	0 = No, 1 = Yes
4	Indicates if the beacon has observable data.	0 = No, 1 = Yes
5	Indicates if the beacon provides actuatable properties.	0 = No, 1 = Yes
6 - 7	<i>Reserved for future use.</i>	

SemBeacon > Mobile Application

- ▶ **Scans** and **Simulates** SemBeacon, iBeacon, AltBeacon and Eddystone
- ▶ **Extracts** and visualises SemBeacon encoded information

16:45 86%
Beacon

SCANNER SIMULATOR

BEACON_08
Namespace 77f340db-ac0d-20e8-aa3a-f... -52 dBm
Instance 9c7ce6fc 1s ago

Voltage 3752 mV -56 dBm
Temperature 21.3 °C 1s ago

Namespace
b474c658b15660a726a0 -66 dBm
Instance 000000000000 1s ago

UUID
52a5e4b9-2ed4-48e0-ba69-... -65 dBm
Major 0
Minor 0 1s ago

UUID
ad112180-c65c-4b3f-9654-7... -65 dBm
Major 0
Minor 0 1s ago

URL -71 dBm
https://www.maximvdw... 1s ago

21:00 61%
Beacon Map

3
0

BEACON_07
Last seen: 2s ago
RSSI: -68 dBm
Distance: 3.98 m

16:45 86%
Beacon details

S SemBeacon

Name
BEACON_08

RSSI: -58 dBm Distance: 1.26 m
Created: 14d ago Last seen: 1s ago

MAC Address
a8:3d:86:62:98:9b

Manufacturer
SPECIAL USE/DEFAULT (0xFFFF)

Calibrated RSSI at 1m
-56

Namespace ID
77f340db-ac0d-20e8-aa3a-f656a29f236c

Instance ID
9c7ce6fc

Short resource URI
https://bit.ly/3JsEnF9

Resource URI
https://sembeacon.org/examples/sembeacon...

18:00 91%
Beacon

SCANNER SIMULATOR

BEACON_08
Namespace 77f340db-ac0d-20e8-aa3a-f656a29... -52 dBm
Instance 9c7ce6fc 1s ago

BEACON_01
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Minor 47687

BEACON_02
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Minor 55378

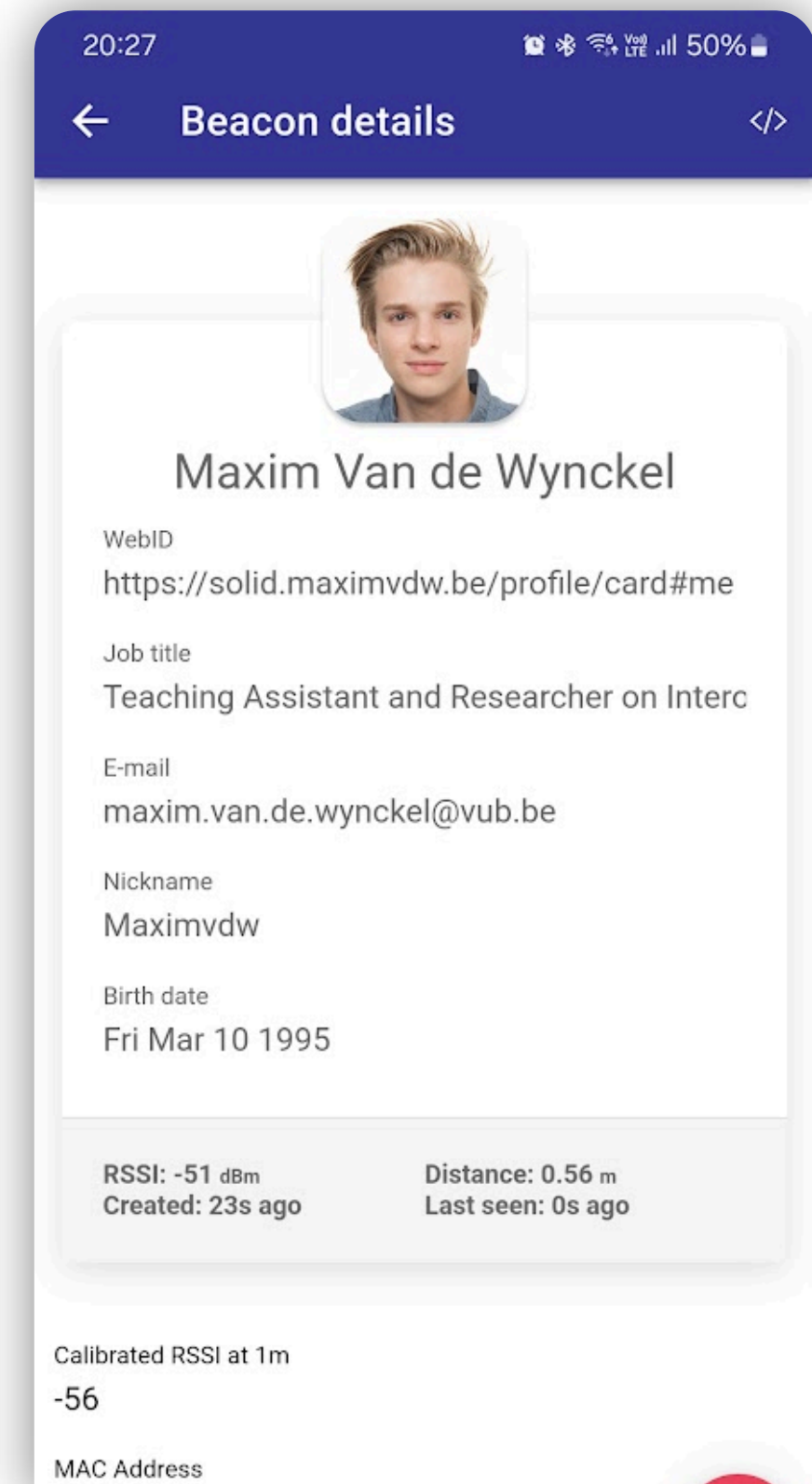
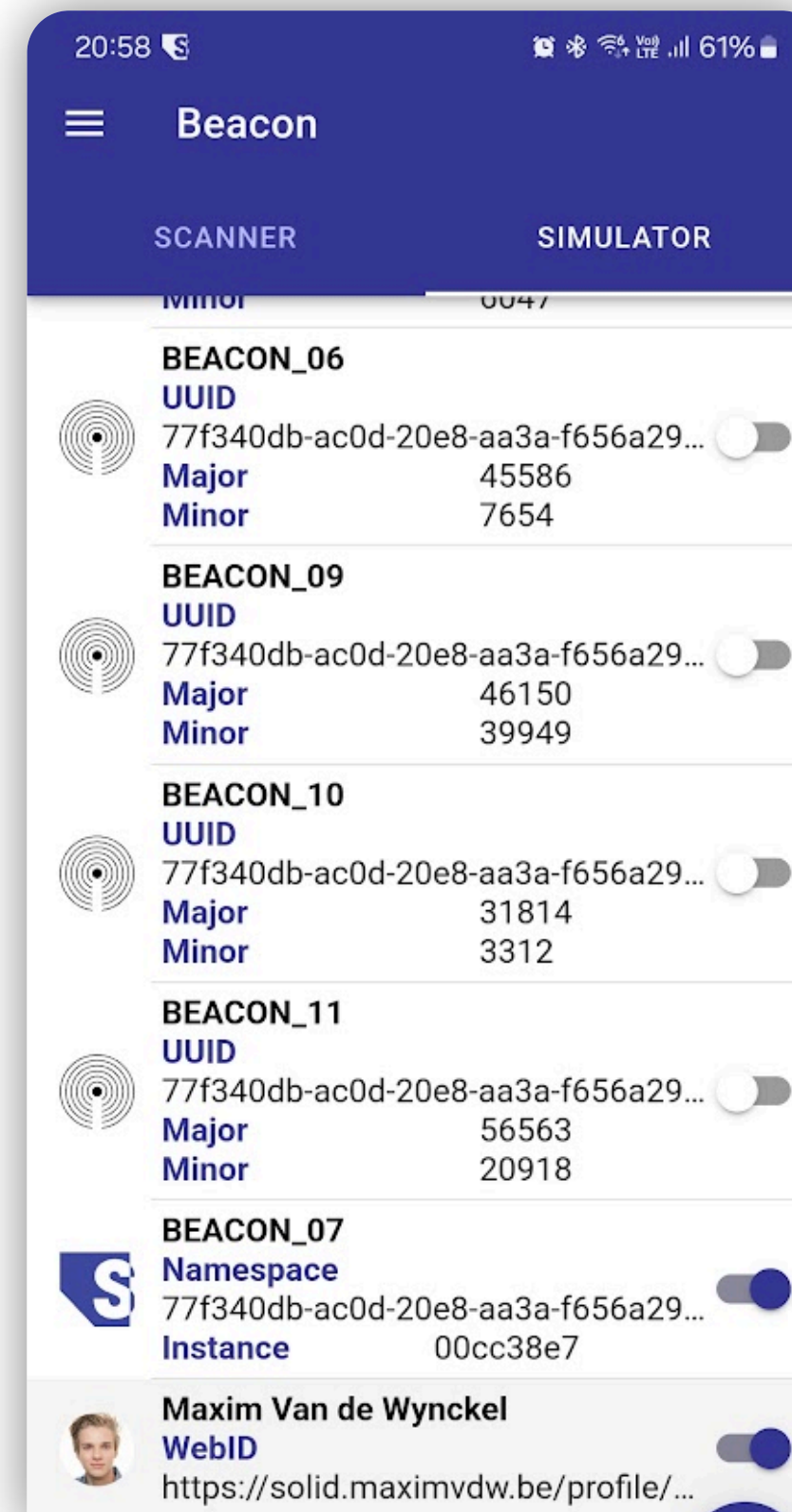
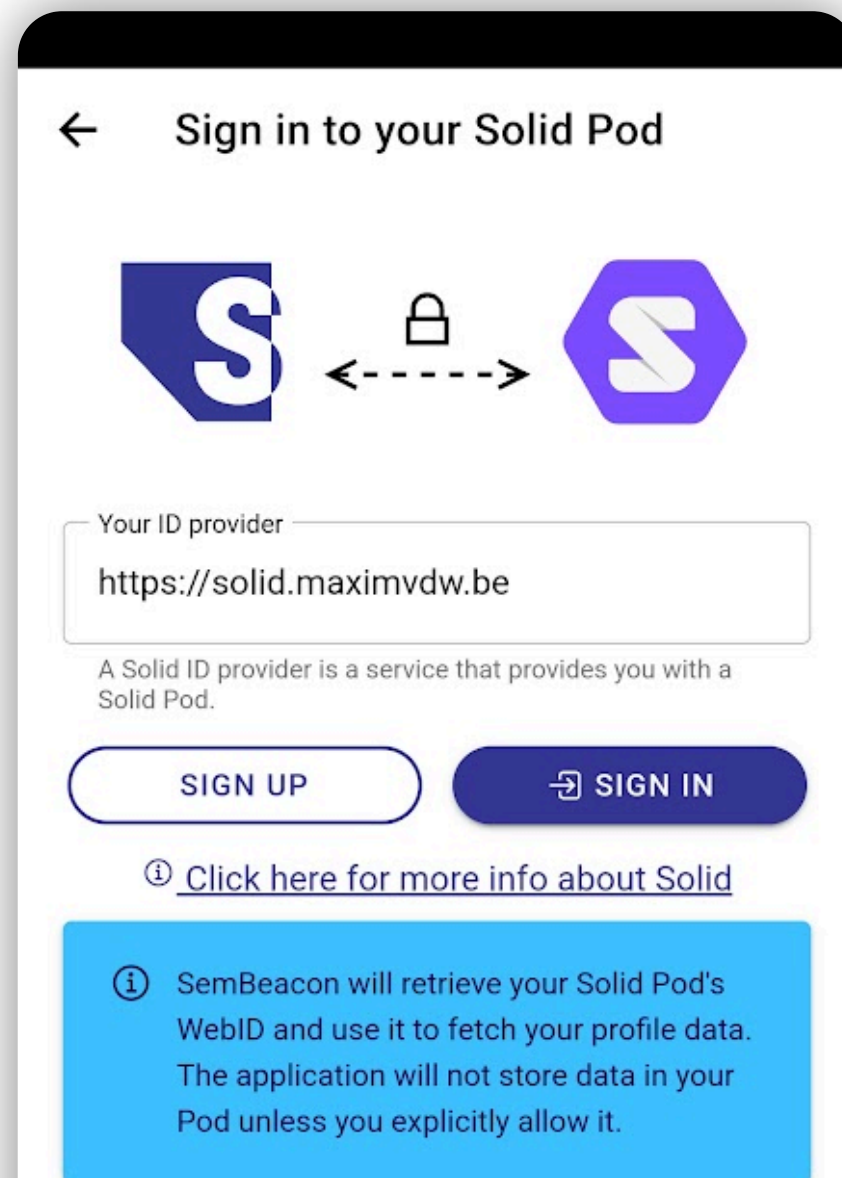
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Major 47423
Minor 13858

BEACON_04
UUID 77f340db-ac0d-20e8-aa3a-f656a29... -65 dBm
Major 25994
Minor 56810

BEACON_05
UUID 77f340db-ac0d-20e8-aa3a-f656a29... -65 dBm
Major 18763
Minor 18763

SemBeacon > Mobile Application ...

- ▶ ... authentication and authorisation to Solid Pods
- ▶ Enable **access control** to environment data



SemBeacon > Example

```
:pl9_3 a ssn:Deployment, sosa:FeatureOfInterest, ogc:SpatialObject, schema:Accommodation, seas:F
  rdfs:label "PL9.3"; ogc:sfWithin :pl9;
  schema:hasMap [ a schema:Map;
    schema:mapType "floorPlan";
    schema:image "https://static.observableusercontent.com/files/69f63f0ed4e82a459af0534c2a7:
  schema:spatialCoverage [ a schema:Place;
    ogc:hasGeometry [ a ogc:Geometry;
      ogc:asWKT "POLYGON Z((4.392680949135989 50.820560314350246 91.99999999906868, 4.:
      ogc:coordinateDimension 3; ogc:spatialDimension 3;
      ogc:dimension 3 ]];
    ]
  ] ;
  schema:floorLevel "3";
  ogc:hasGeometry [ a ogc:Geometry;
    ogc:asWKT "POLYGON Z((4.392680949135989 50.820560314350246 91.99999999906868, 4.39251898!
    ogc:coordinateDimension 3; ogc:spatialDimension 3;
    ogc:dimension 3 ]];
  sembeacon:namespaceId "77f340dbac0d20e8aa3af656a29f236c"^^xsd:hexBinary.
```

Contributing & Roadmap > POSO ontology



GITHUB

OPENHPS/POSO

1. Use cases for the POSO ontology usage
<https://github.com/OpenHPS/POSO/issues>
2. Examples of POSO to describe positioning systems
3. Feedback on the current ontology design (1.1)
4. OpenHPS geospatial mapping to RDF
<https://github.com/OpenHPS/openhps-rdf/tree/master/src/mapping/geospatial>

Contributing & Roadmap > SemBeacon



SEMBEACON

1. Mobile application

<https://github.com/SemBeacon/app>

1.1. Examples/implementations of unsupported indoor environment descriptions

1.2. iOS support (partially implemented)

2. Arduino library (ESP32_SemBeacon)

<https://github.com/SemBeacon/arduino-esp32>

2.1. No retrieval of (important) data

3. nRF5x library (WiP)

4. Specification improvements

<https://github.com/SemBeacon/specification>

Demo time!



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<https://github.com/SemBeacon/>



<https://sembeacon.org/>



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Android App on Google Play Store