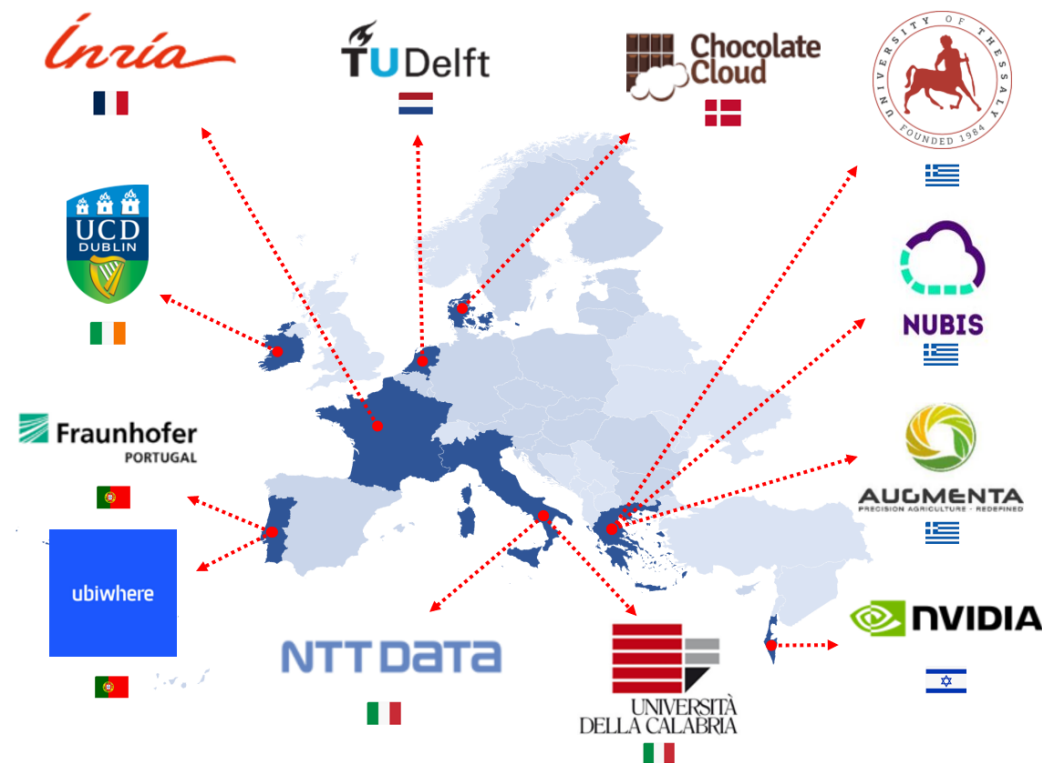


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Trends & challenges

Continuum systems

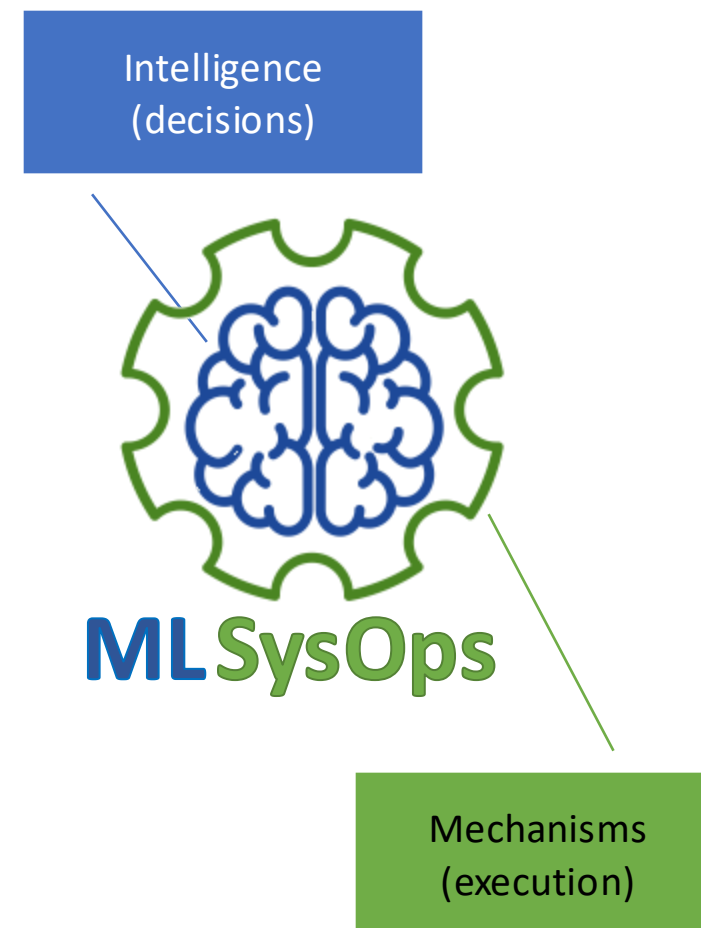
- Applications are moving outside the cloud and start involving nodes and resources toward or directly at the edge of the Internet
 - including powerful but also resource-constrained IoT devices
- Scale, heterogeneity, dynamics and complexity increases
- Practically impossible to monitor/manage by a human

*The vision of **autonomic computing systems**, which can manage themselves with little or no involvement of the application/system administrator, becomes more relevant than ever before!*

The MLSysOps project

*Autonomic system management and configuration
in the **cloud-edge-IoT continuum** using **AI/ML methods***

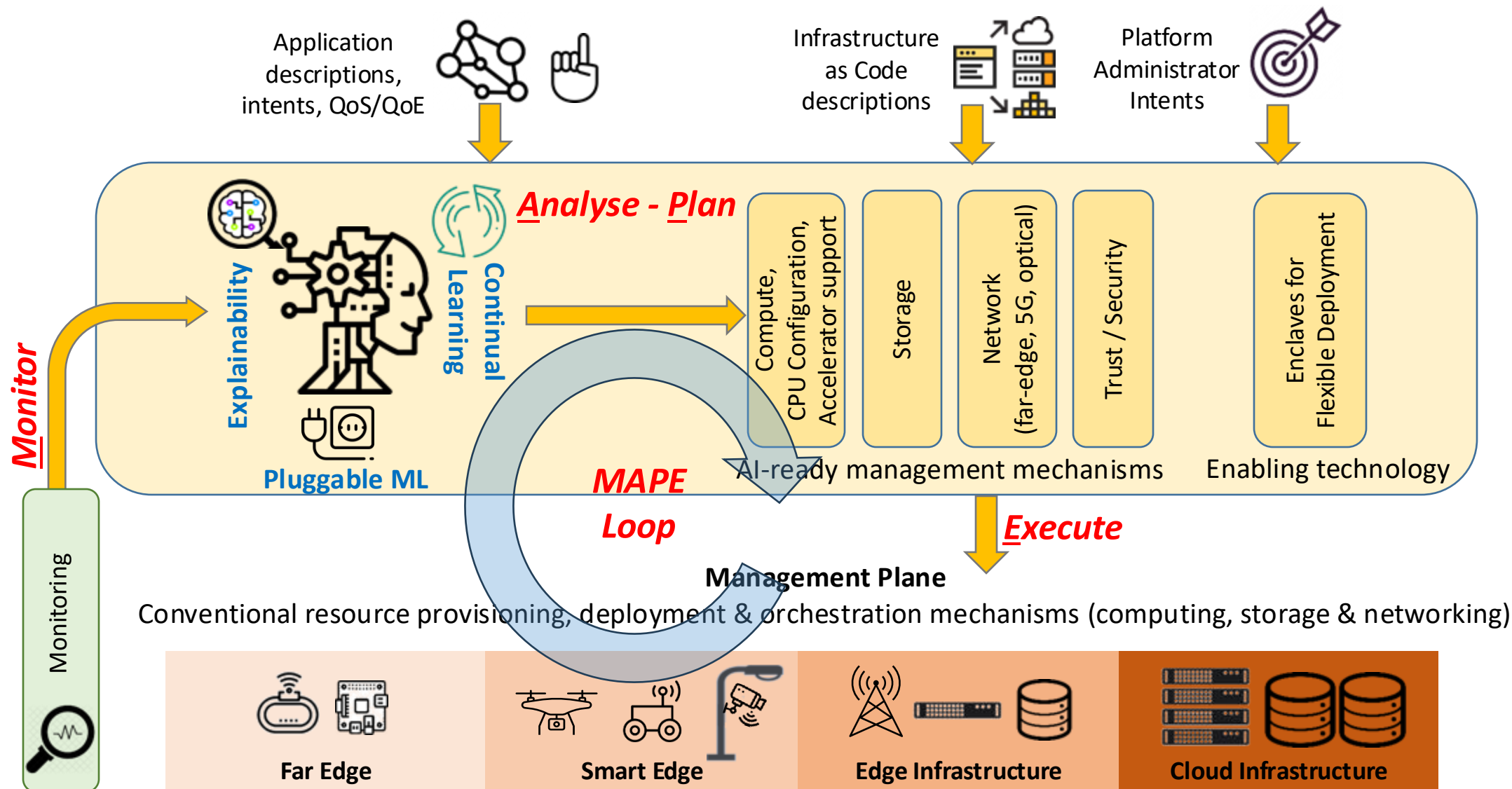
- Focus on modular, distributed applications
- Explore different management aspects
 - Deployment, computing, storage, communication/networking, trust
- Disassociate management from control
 - Develop AI/ML-ready (policy-neutral) mechanisms
 - Take decisions using suitable ML models
- Key AI/ML properties
 - Distributed / hierarchical approach
 - Continual learning / efficient model retraining
 - Explainability
- Extensive data generation and evaluation via real-world application testbeds, research testbeds and simulators



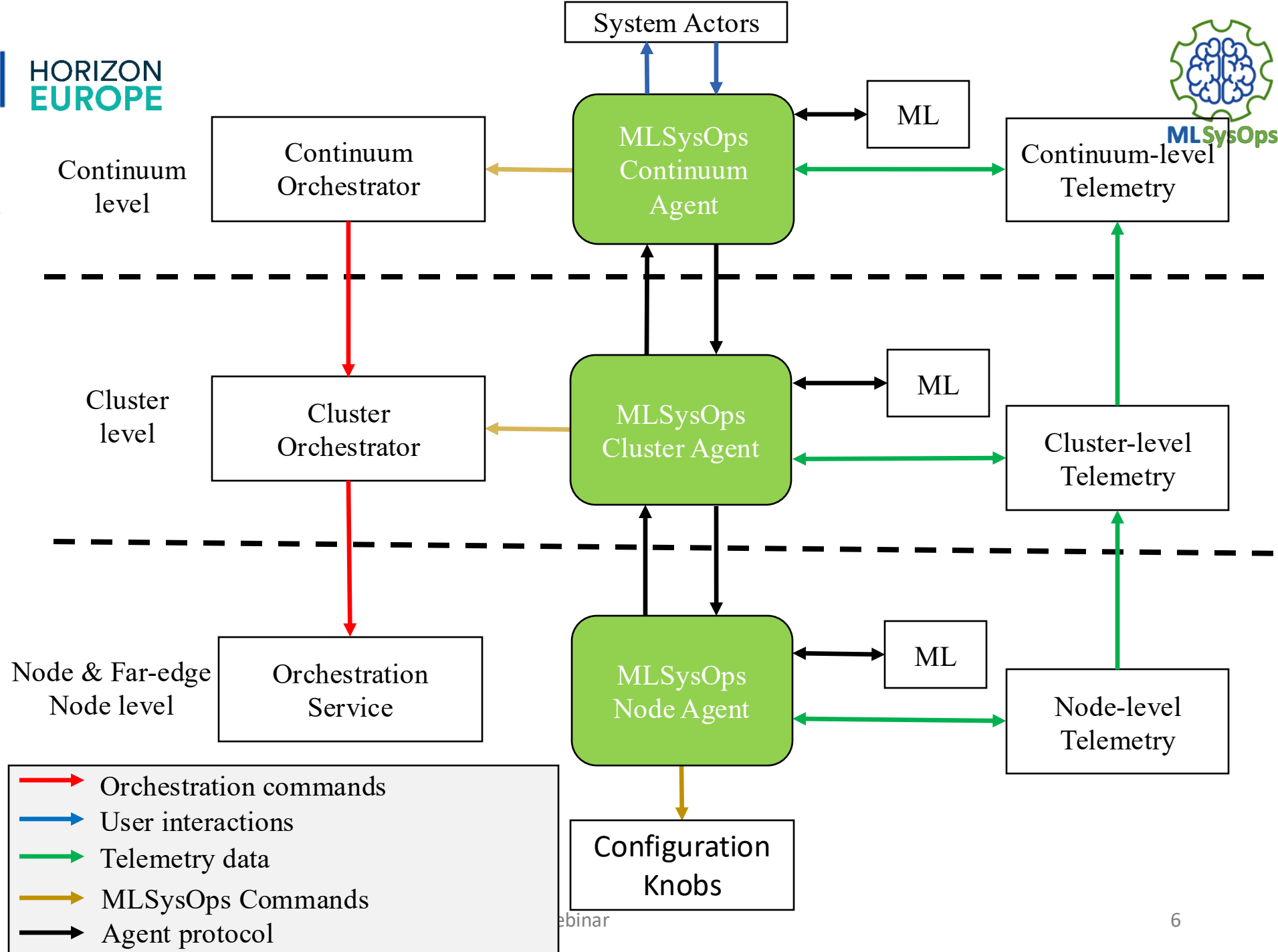
What?

- Open, AI-ready, **agent-based framework** for holistic, trustworthy, scalable, and adaptive system operation across the heterogeneous cloud-edge continuum.
- AI architecture supporting **explainable, efficiently retrainable ML models** for end-to-end autonomic system operation in the cloud-edge continuum.
- **Efficient, flexible, and isolated execution** across the heterogeneous continuum.
- **Green, resource-efficient, and trustworthy system operation**, while satisfying application QoS/QoE requirements.
- Realistic **model training**, validation and evaluation.

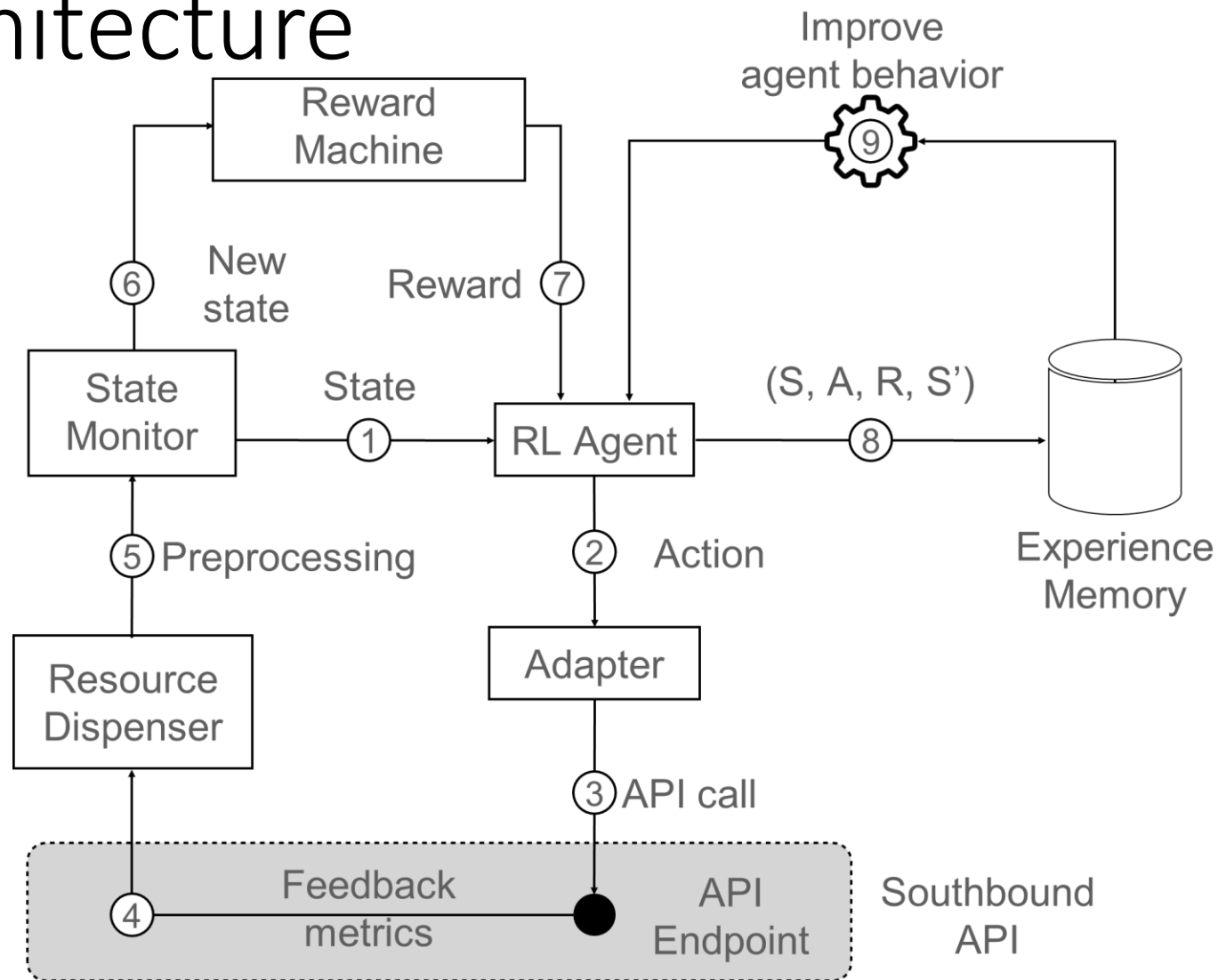
How? Concept



How? Hierarchy



ML Architecture



Two real-world application use cases

Smart Cities



Improve existing system via AI/ML-driven control to manage/configure application modules that can be deployed on smart lampposts and/or to datacenters.

Smart Agriculture



Improve existing system via AI/ML-driven control to jointly manage/configure the image processing application pipeline on a tractor and a companion drone.

Technical achievements

- Detailed requirements captured
- Framework architecture design completed
- First mechanism implementations
- First ML-based logic based on RL
- First agent implementations
- 5 simulation environments
- 2 real-world application testbeds
- 5 research testbeds

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