

Research EDA/CPE for Smart Cities

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1 Applications and Stories

Common themes:

- Traffic management
- Parking
- Intelligent buildings (security, lighting, energy efficiency)
- Waste management
- Environmental monitoring

[1, p. 2]:

- Energy consumption profiles
- Concentration and distribution of pollutants
- Urban heat distribution caused by urban structures
- Energy efficient urban design
- Use of public transportation services
- Traffic flow of vehicles
- Movement of goods and freight
- Pedestrian's flow
- Use and load of telecommunication networks
- Presence of citizens in places of interest

- Livability
- Citizens living habits
- Citizen health monitoring

[2, p. 8 ff.]:

- Structural health: monitor cracks in buildings
- Smart parking: monitor free/taken parking spots
- Waste management: monitor trash can status
- Smart roads: guide citizens in traffic and detect traffic patterns
- Smart surveillance and intrusion detection for homes where the local police department is automatically notified
- Pollution monitoring
- Smart lighting
- Smart energy grid
- Smart industry

[3, p. 7 f.]

- Transport: dynamic route calculation informed of accidents and congestion
- Energy: reporting of faults
- Emergency services: detection of accidents and crimes
- Waste management: detection of full bins
- Air and water: reporting of air and water pollution
- Recreation: produce data on large events like concerts to inform public transport

[4, p. 8 ff.]:

- Price calculation for EV parking lots based on energy market
- Status monitoring of hospital patients
- Monitoring and intelligent routing of ambulances
- Congestion control, smart parking and traffic management
- Smart streetlights for intelligent and weather-adaptive lighting

- Noise pollution monitoring

[5, p. 209 ff.]:

- Traffic flow management: reduce emissions, noise and travel times by monitoring and actively controlling traffic
- Smart grid: distributed generation and distribution (voltage stability, loss reduction), real-time energy pricing (demand response, electricity markets)
- Intelligent buildings: increase security and energy efficiency, automate HVAC
- Healthcare in residential environments: monitor environment (temperature, humidity, luminosity...) and movements to analyze health and well-being

[6, p. 16]:

- Parking availability
- Environmental monitoring: visualize temperature, luminosity, noise, CO2 emissions on map
- Participatory sensing: user app collects data, users can enter events (e.g., defects, accidents) manually
- Precision irrigation: irrigate plants based on soil humidity, wind, and weather forecast
- Smart energy metering

[7, p. 30]:

- Public parking space availability prediction
- Real-time 3D maps of power consumption, public transport,... (real-live version of SimCity)
- Neighbor vote for turning on/off nearby street lamps
- Redirect cars or suggest public transport in case of high air pollution

Anomaly detection in real-time for 100000+ connected cars, full solution is available on GitHub [8].

2 Event Definitions

“Geo-event: An occurrence of a change of state associated to a phenomenon of interest (\mathbb{D}_p), and which is related to a geographic location (\mathbb{D}_s) and a specific time (\mathbb{D}_t).” [1, p. 3]

$$\mathbb{D}_p = \{name : value, phenomena : [value_1, value_2, \dots, value_n], condition : value\}$$

$$\mathbb{D}_s = \{extent : value, granularity : value\}$$

$$\mathbb{D}_t = \{time - window : value, granularity : value\}$$

3 Architectures

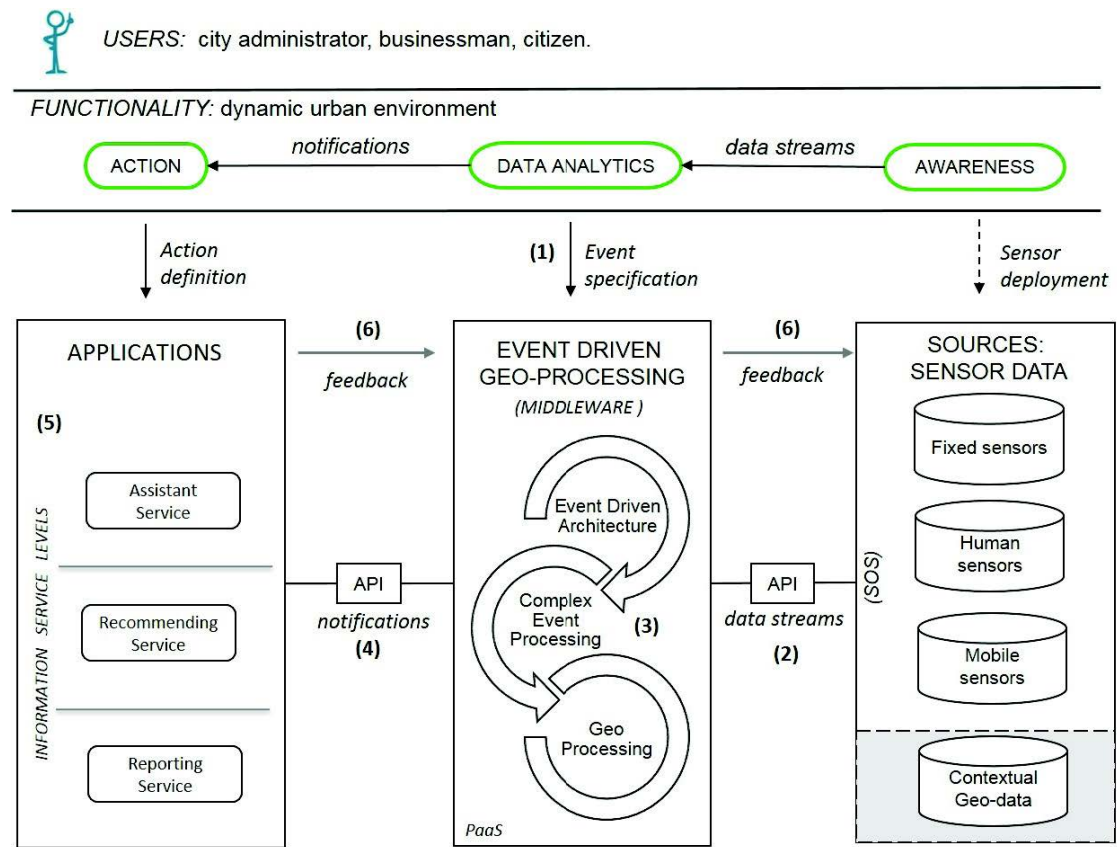


Figure 1: Event-driven geoprocessing system architecture [1, p. 3]

The architecture in Figures 2 and 4 is an instantiation of Figure 1 and was used with data from SmartSantander project to detect geospatial events, e.g. temperature above 0°C in the city center. Mentions that Flink has good throughput but no geospatial matching capabilities.

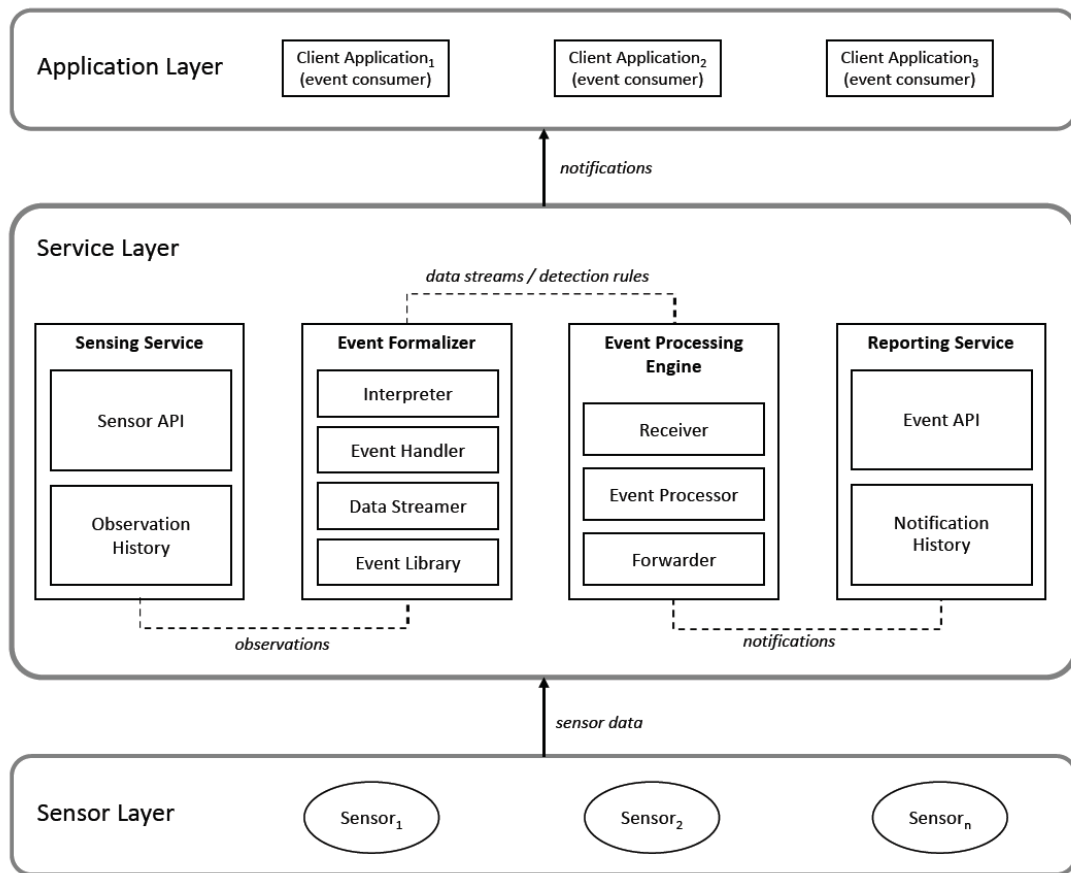


Figure 2: Reference Architecture for Smart City Applications (RASCA) [9, p. 12]

The CityPulse project described in [10], [11], [12] [13] uses AMQP for message transport. The stream processing is shown in Figure 5.

4 Available Data

5 Visualization

6 Challenges

“Geoprocessing of data streams inherits challenges from big data analysis: volume, velocity, variety, value, and veracity.” [1, p. 1]

[2, p. 2 ff.]:

- High cost and long development time → private-public collaboration and common platform

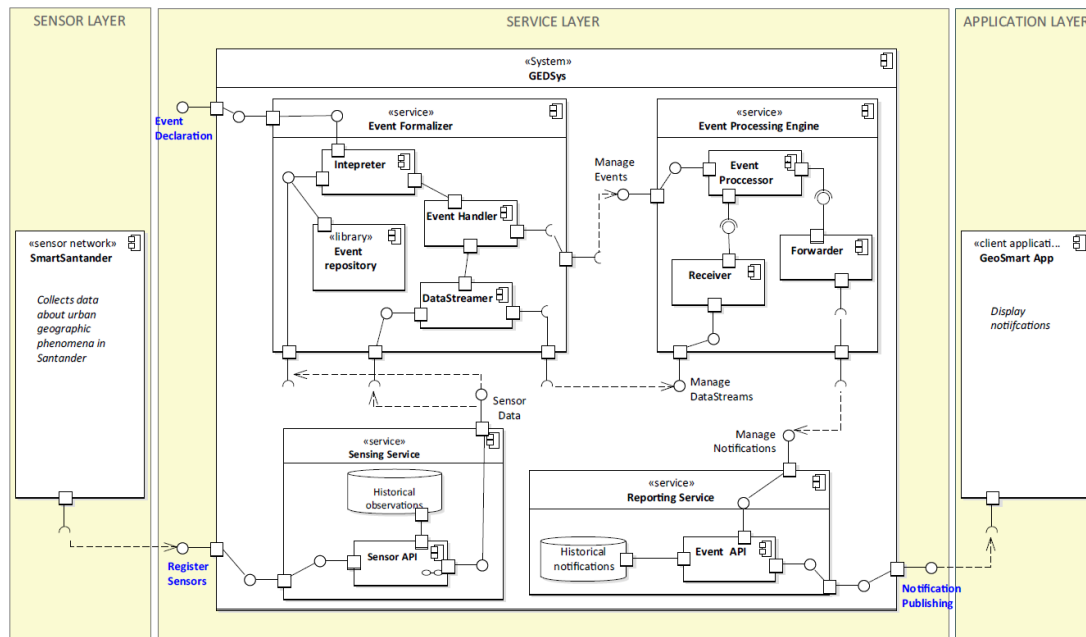


Figure 3: Implementation of RASCA [9, p. 13]

- Choice of communication paradigm (continuous, random, incremental) → hierarchical structure
- Sustainability of network and compatibility of devices
- No best practices for IT platforms

[3, p. 9 f.]:

- Big data: efficient query and storage and extraction of meaning
- Privacy
- Security: threats from cyber-terrorism/-vandalism

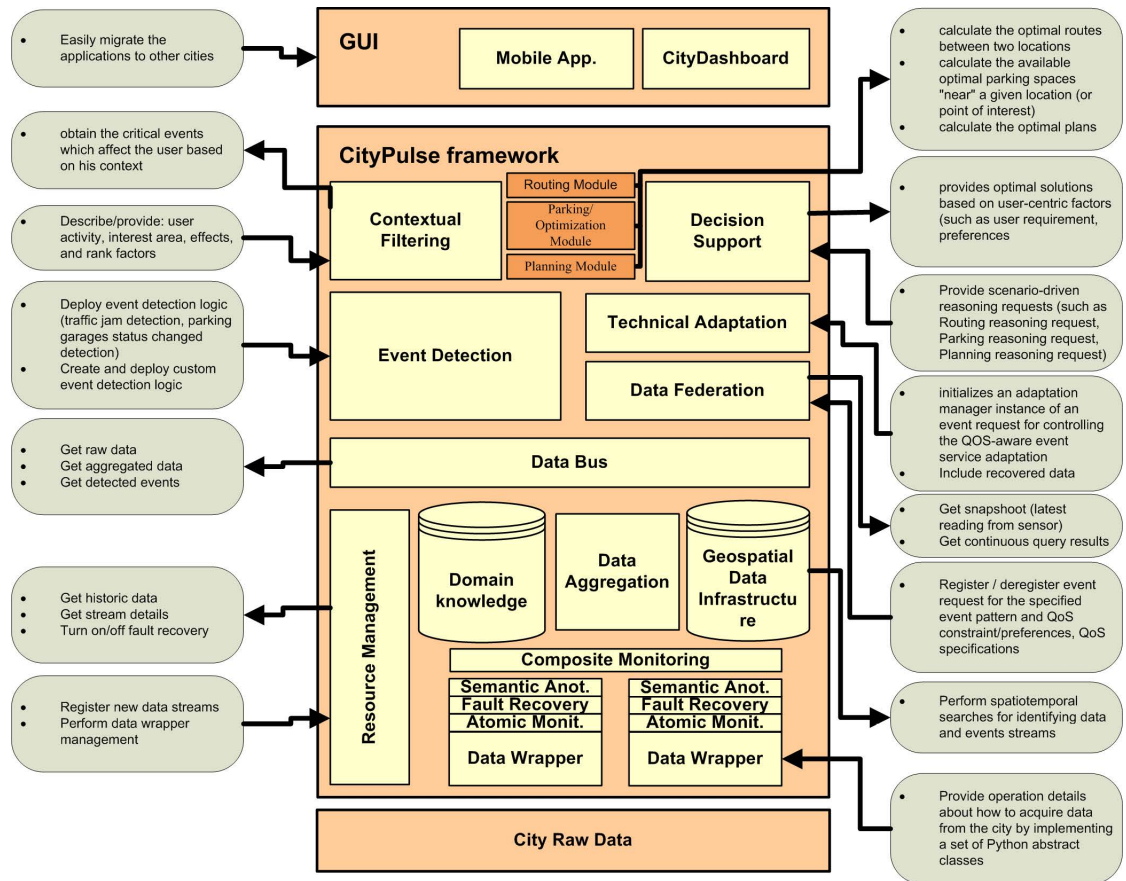


Figure 4: Smart City Framework for CityPulse [10, p. 39]

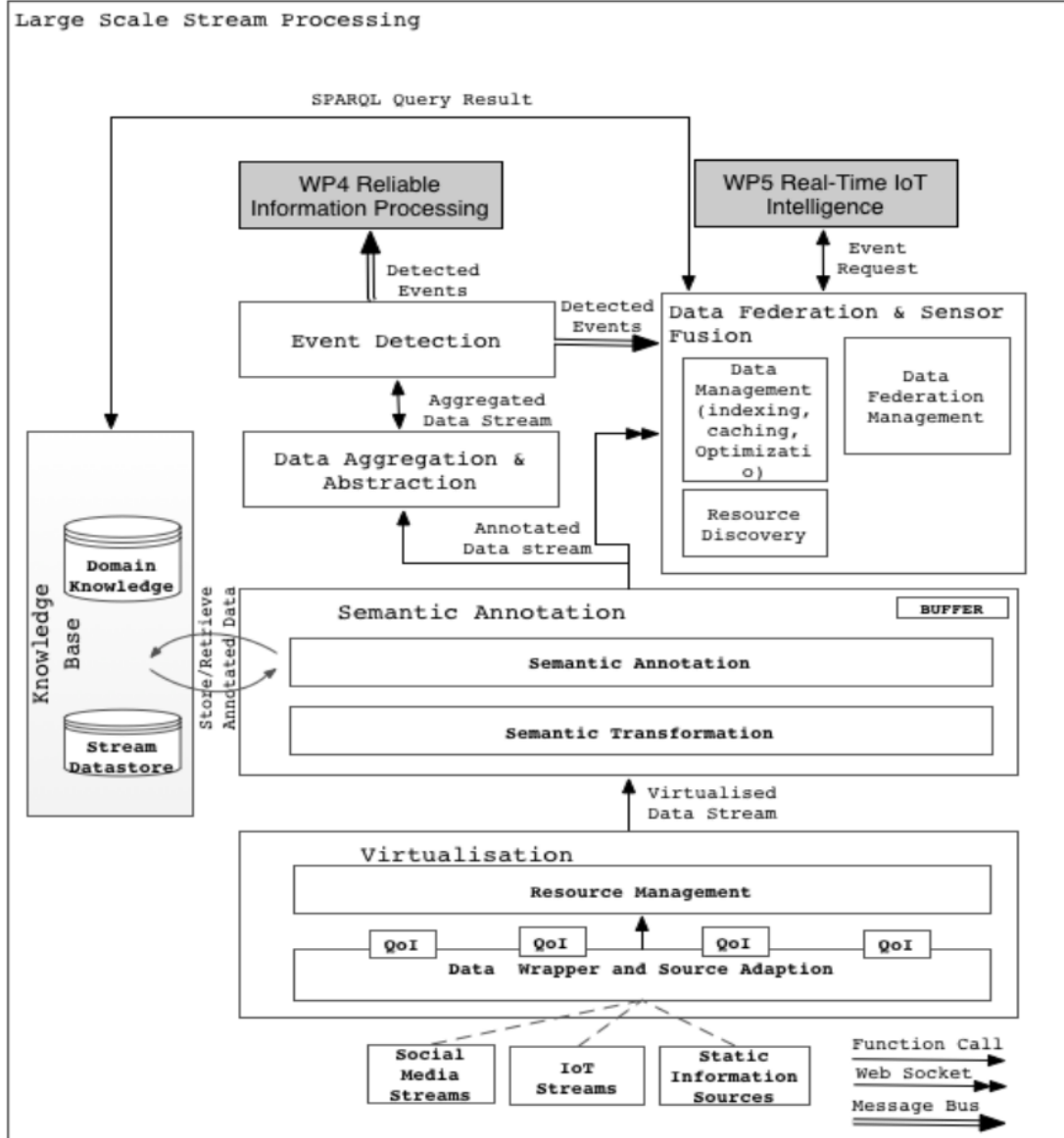


Figure 5: Large Scale Data Analysis Functional Group for CityPulse [10, p. 25]

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