

Description of Environment and Agents

Definition of Environment

Accessible or Inaccessible

Deterministic or Non-deterministic

Episodic or Non-episodic

Static or Dynamic

Discrete or Continuous

Environment: Accessible or Inaccessible

Fully accessible to the SystemAgent

Other agents can only obtain information about garbage through ScoutAgents, therefore **partially accessible** to non-system agents

Environment: Deterministic or Non-deterministic

Possible actions: detect garbage,
harvest garbage, recycle garbage,
randomly add garbage

Ignore uncertainty from other agent's actions

Entirely determined by current state and
agents' actions, therefore **deterministic**

Environment: Episodic or Non-episodic

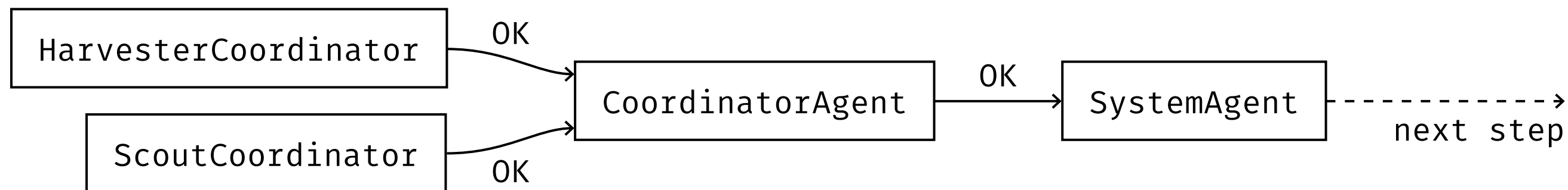
Efficient recycling of garbage requires planning of more than one step ahead

Decisions about actions are dependent on more than one episode, therefore
non-episodic

Environment: Static or Dynamic

SystemAgent only proceeds with next step after all coordination tasks have been completed

Environment doesn't change while the agents are deliberating, therefore **static**



Environment: Discrete or Continuous

Finite number of possible states for the city

Finite number of perceptions and actions

Time is handled in a turn-based way

Therefore **discrete**

Definition of Agent Architecture and Properties

HarvesterAgent

ScoutAgent

HarvesterCoordinator

ScoutCoordinator

CoordinatorAgent

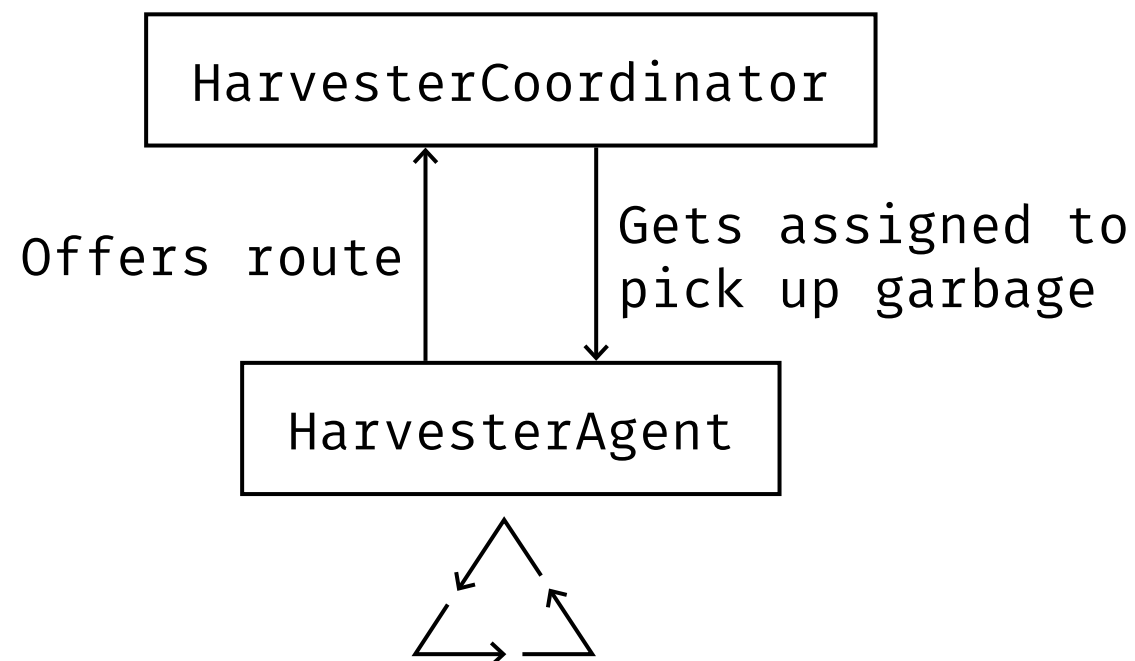
SystemAgent

HarvesterAgent

Negotiates with HarvesterCoordinator

Offers shortest route to detected garbage

Receives assignment to pick up garbage and brings it to recycling centers



Architecture

Hybrid

Properties

~~Flexibility~~

Reactivity ✓

Pro-activeness ✓

Social Ability ✓

Rationality ✓

Reasoning Capabilities ✓

~~Learning~~

Autonomy ✓

Temporal Continuity ✓

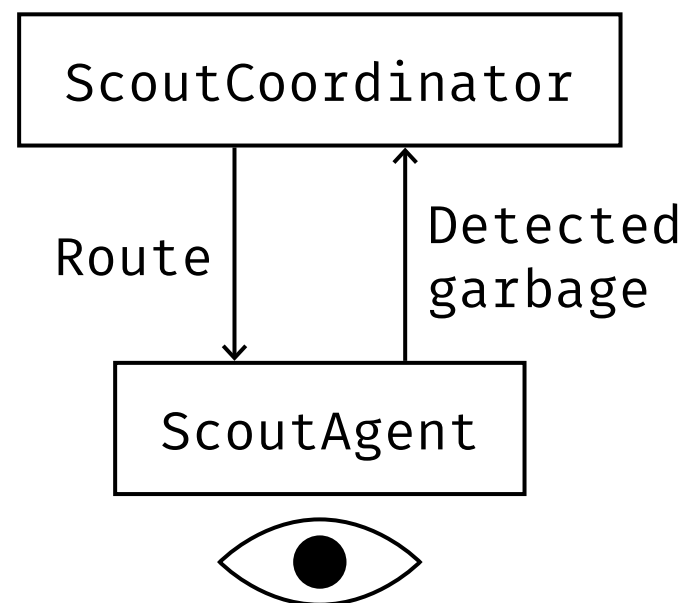
~~Mobility~~

ScoutAgent

Moves through the city in order to detect garbage

Receives route from ScoutCoordinator

Reports back when it finds garbage



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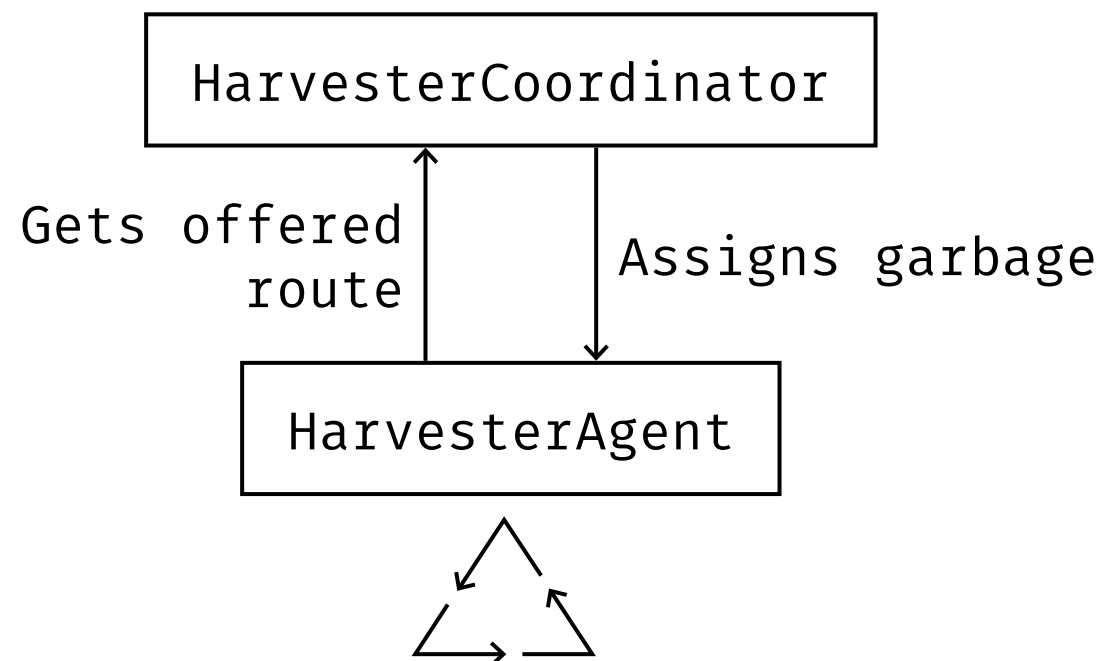
~~Mobility~~

HarvesterCoordinator

Tries to maximize benefits and minimize time

Negotiates with HarvesterAgents

Assigns found garbage to harvester that offers best conditions



HarvesterCoordinator

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Pro-activeness ✓

Social Ability ✓

Rationality ✓

Reasoning Capabilities ✓

Learning (*potentially*)

Autonomy ✓

Temporal Continuity ✓

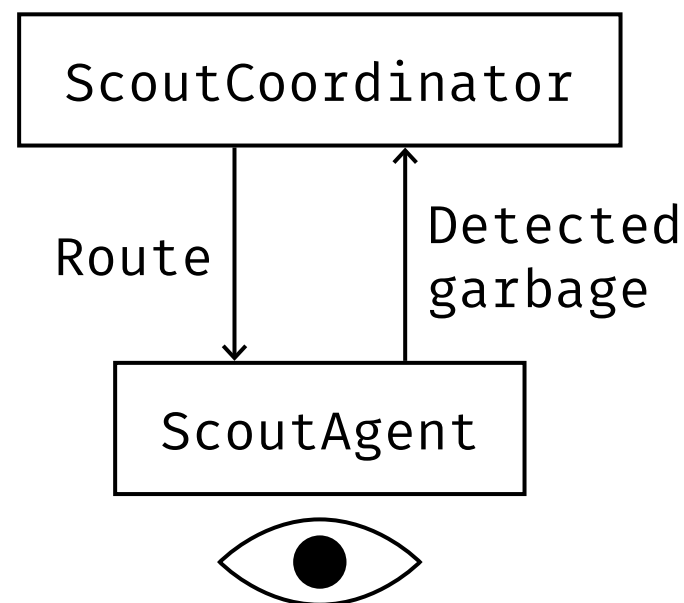
~~Mobility~~

ScoutCoordinator

Makes intelligent plan for ScoutAgents

Tries to minimize garbage detection time

Receives information about detected garbage and passes it on



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~~Learning~~

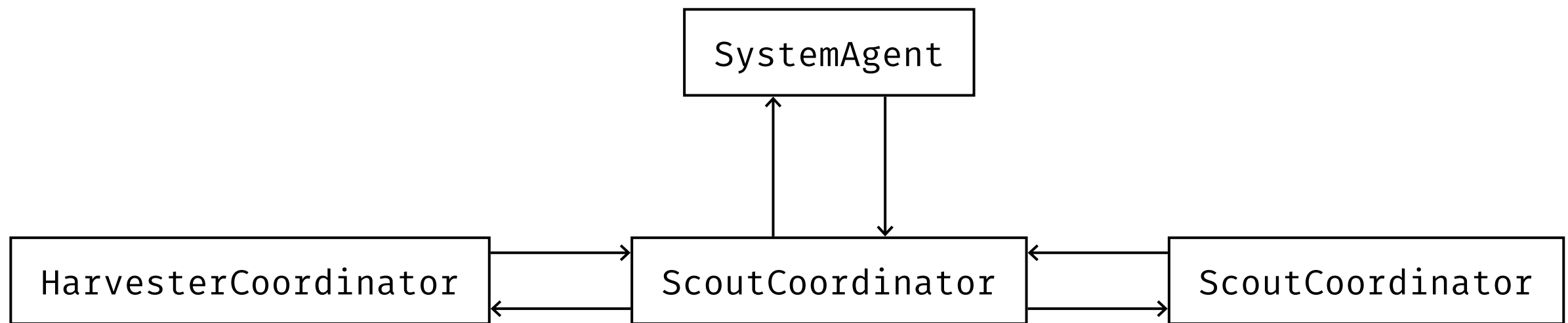
Autonomy ✓

Temporal Continuity ✓

~~Mobility~~

CoordinatorAgent

Interlocutor between coordinators and
SystemAgent



CoordinatorAgent

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Reactivity ✓

~~Pro-activeness~~

Social Ability (*minimal*)

Rationality ✓

~~Reasoning Capabilities~~

~~Learning~~

~~Autonomy~~

Temporal Continuity ✓

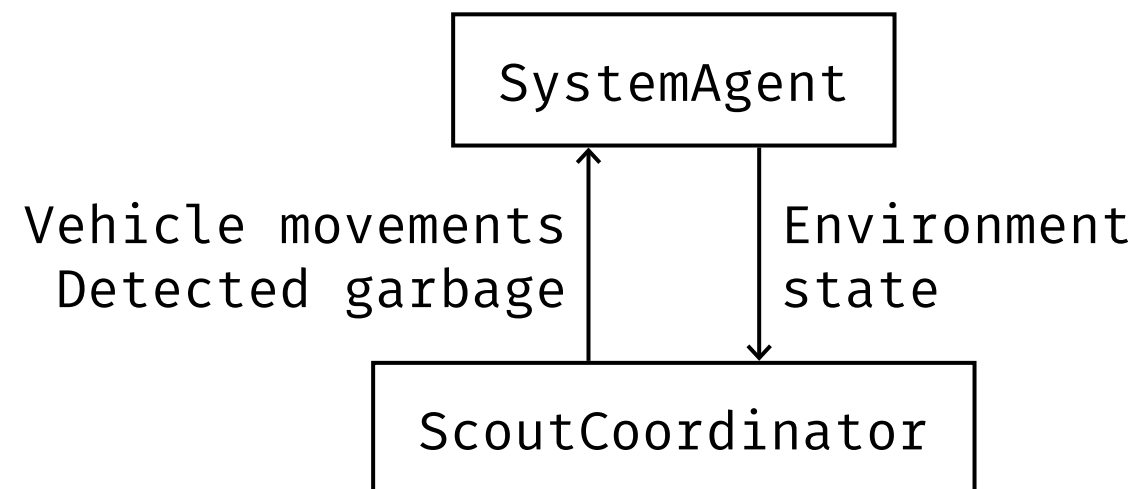
~~Mobility~~

SystemAgent

Has complete representation of the environment

Randomly adds new garbage

Updates city state based on agents' actions



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~~Pro-activeness~~

Social Ability (*minimal*)

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~~Learning~~

Autonomy

Temporal Continuity ✓

~~Mobility~~

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