



The essentials for SDV (Software Defined Vehicle)

Service modeling and a Multi-kernel OS

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Introduction

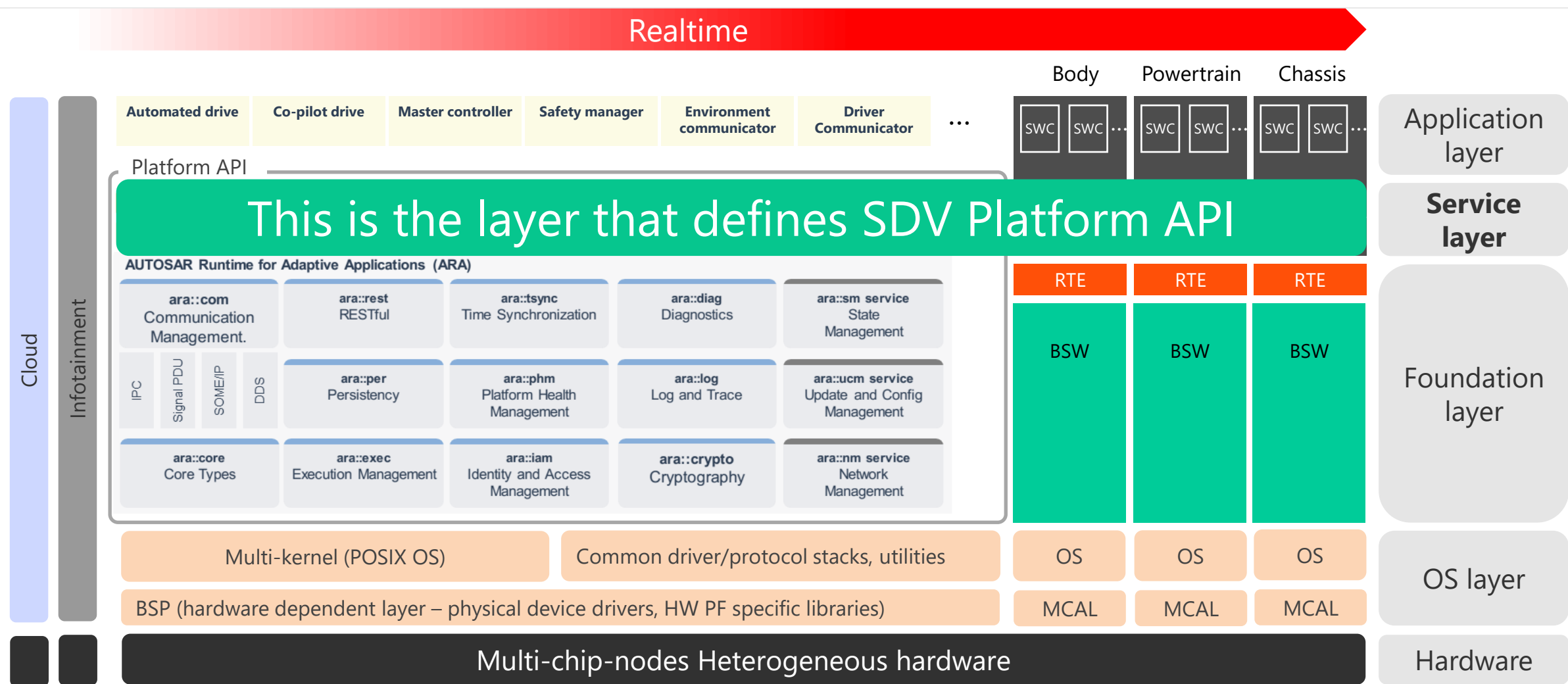
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- I was supposed to be a music player but graduated from SUNY ESF in Biochemistry and joined **eSOL** in 1996. **Tokyo-based, 550 people, specialize in embedded software**
- Development of original (RT) **OSes** and applying them to **distributed realtime systems in automotive/industrial/consumer/aerospace** projects with consultations
- Supported **Arm MPCore** in 2006 as the first commercial OS. Announced another **first manycore-capable OS** in 2012 (eT-Kernel Multi-Core Edition and eMCOS) **MPSoC 2007 in Awaji, Japan**
- Joined AUTOSAR to develop **AUTOSAR Adaptive Platform** in 2016 as one of the original architects, and still a member of architecture group
- **Chaired IEEE2804-2019, SHIM** (Software-Hardware Interface for Multi-manycore)
- Certified our OSes for **ISO26262 ASIL-D** and IEC61508 by SGS-TUV
- Introduced **Scrum** in 2015 and integrated it with **FuSa**
- Continuing R&D on **behavioral driver model** technology based on a network of DBNs
- Introduced **Product Management** to the company in 2003
- Executive Consultant for various Japanese automotive OEM/Tier1s
- **Become CEO/CTO/President on March 28th 2025**

Service modeling

The full SDV Software Platform based on SOA

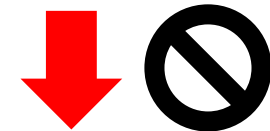


The need for **non**-automotive domain modeling

- Because SDV is a “**vehicle defined by software**” and software requires a ‘model’ to design and implement it
- We need to look at the vehicle ‘**system**’ from the top view
 - Fight to **keep distance from so-called “automotive domains”** – physical elements such as power-train, ADAS (sensors and compute), IVI, body, chasis – this departure from the automotive domain thinking is essential in the right system modeling here
 - We need to **decouple** it from hardware, provide non-automotive-friendly schema for the wider-ecosystem essential for both “delivering and capturing the value”
- Our thinking is wired and driven by words – so the terms/names are critically important!

“Automotive domains”

Powertrain	Engine, Gearbox, Transmission, Battery-Manager...
Chassis	Braking, ADAS, Camera...
Body	Door, Airbag, Climate Control, Seat...
HMI-IVI	Dashboard, Headunit, E-call...

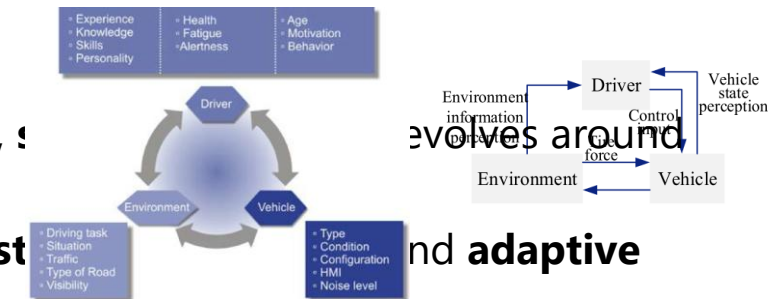
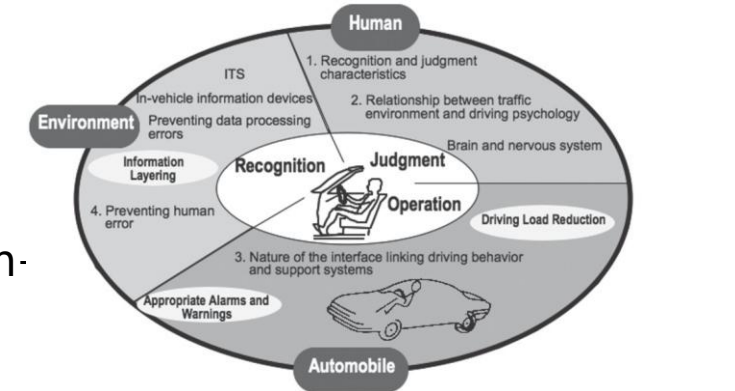


Do not start from here!
It will force it to be
hardware-defined

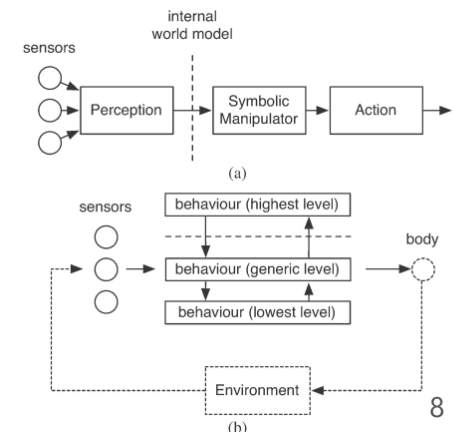
DVE: A holistic and driver-centric vehicle system model

The top-level system model fully decoupled from the vehicle system (we/you) automotive guys talks about

- **DVE (Driver-Vehicle-Environment) model**
 - Car has driver, vehicle itself, and the environment that vehicle exist
 - This is the highest model, and services shall be defined beneath
 - Additionally, 'Utility' domain is added to handle the aspect oriented, system-becomes "**DVE+U**" model
- Plenty of prior studies based on DVE
 - Prof. Doi in 2006 – one of the oldest paper that discusses DVE
 - Has been used in various researches, spanning from **cognitive science, AD/ADAS, "human centric design"**
 - Effectively the same model is often used in the fields of **behavioral driver model st HMI**
 - DVE model is a good candidate as the basis for the SDV requiring the **holistic top-level view**

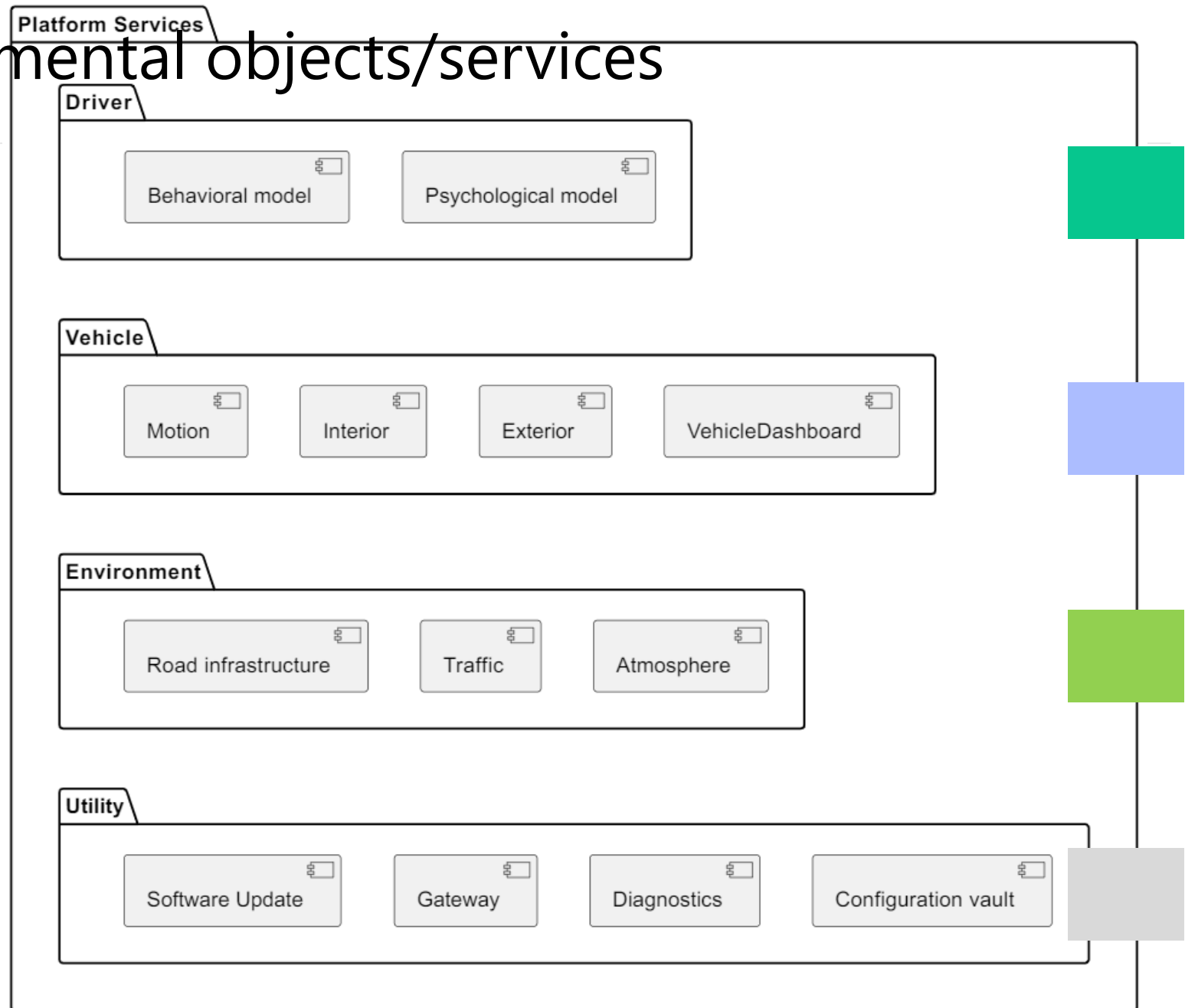


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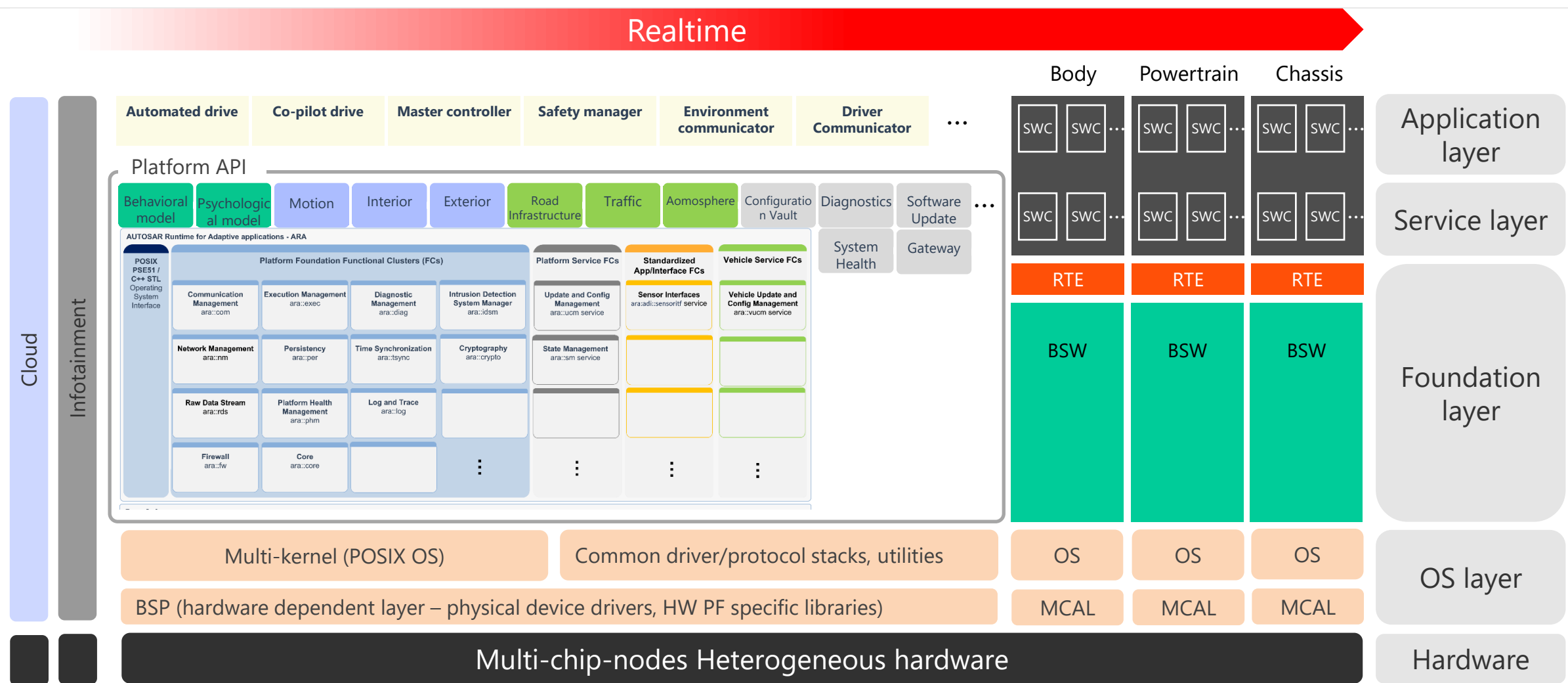


DVE+U model – fundamental objects/services

- The model is the **ontology** of the '**vehicle system**'
- Each service provides objects **not tied to the specifics of each vehicle**
- E.g., Traffic service provides "MovingObject" class, instead of "CameraData", or "LIDAR-point-cloud-data", to hide the specific physical sensors used
- This model provides the '**abstraction**' essential to enable another principal 'Decoupling'



Software platform architecture with DVE+U



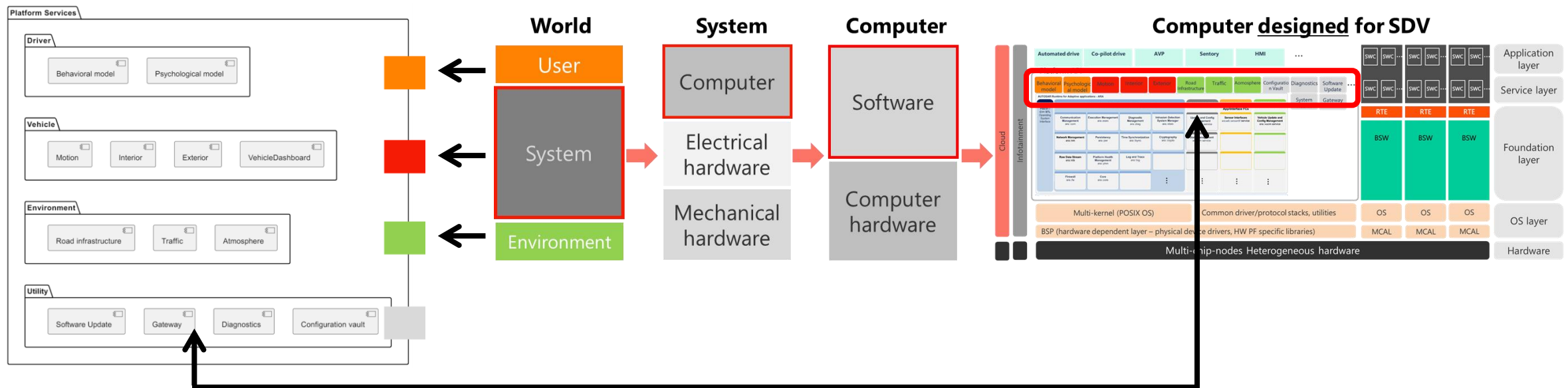
System modeling for software decoupling the hardware

- Applying the DVE model for the SDV Platform design to decouple the hardware (machines/electrics)
- A key factor in SDV is **“softwarization” of mechatronics hardware enabling simulation**/virtual hardware
- **DVE allows encapsulating the hardware while serving as the API model** of SDV Platform

System top-level service modeling based on DVE

Mapping the world, system, and computer

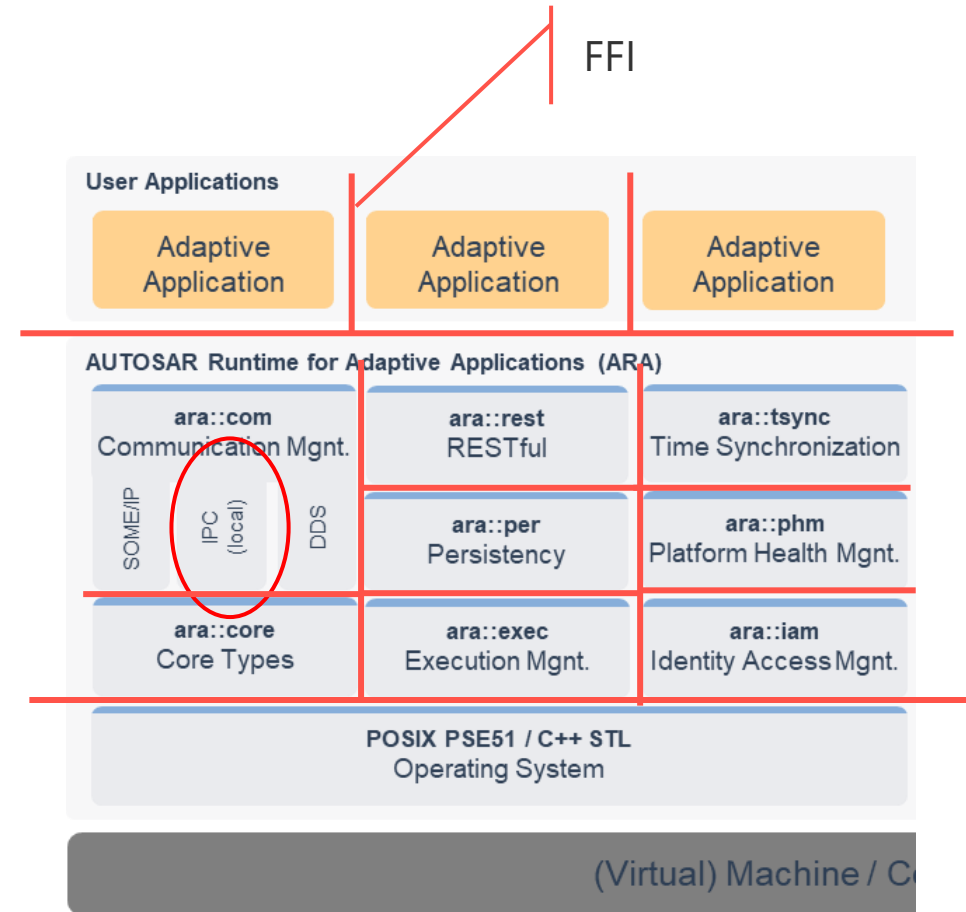
Mapping the system model into a software as a SDV platform



Multi-kernel OS

IPC is critical for AUTOSAR Adaptive Platform

- Adaptive Platform has the architecture with **FFI** in mind
 - Adaptive Applications and Functional Clusters are implemented as OS processes, ensuring FFI**
 - The OS Interface (OSI) of ARA is POSIX PSE51
 - Single-process profile
 - PSE51 provides no IPC, no fork/exec/spawn
 - Only way to explicitly communicate to other processes is **via ara::com with its IPC binding**
 - Functional Clusters can use any OS interfaces
- Performance and scalability of IPC is critical**
 - Platform heavily depends on the compartmentalization of software entities with OS processes



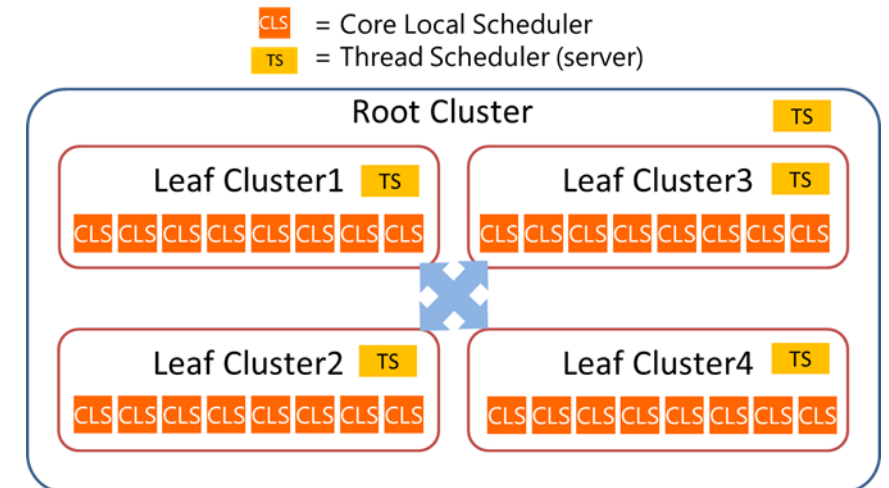
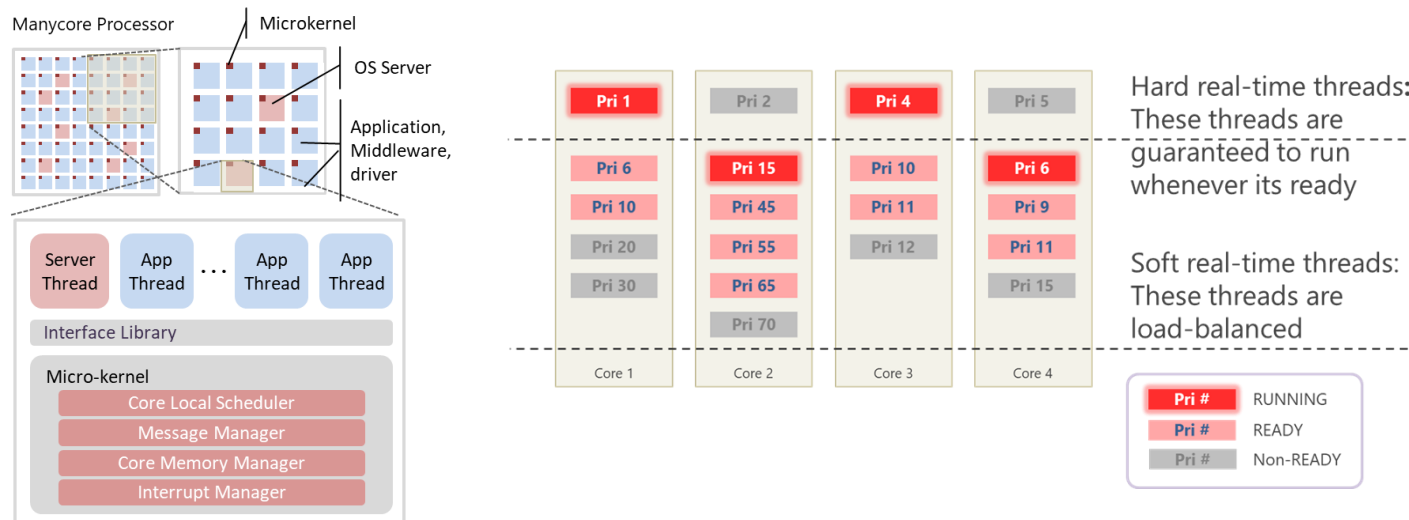
IPC: Inter-Process Communication

The changes in the hardware architecture

- It has been **20 years since ARM 11 MPCore** is introduced to the market
- Now the clusters of cores (or more) totaling 10, 12, 16, 32, **even 256 cores are available**
- This trend is inevitable, due to **the end of Dennard Scaling** and **Pollack's rule** becoming more relevant the only way to scale up the performance is not by increasing the frequency but by the number of cores
- This will be coupled with programmable **accelerators/coprocessors**, resulting in **heterogenous-manycore compute to meet the HPC** challenge
- **Now** all these processor cores and accelerators will be interconnected by super-fast and high-bandwidth **NoC** or similar, and soon with multiple **chipselets, photonics, etc.**
- This whole set of **changes in processor/interconnect architecture calls for a new architecture of OS and IPC**

eSOL eMCOS[®] multi-kernel OS

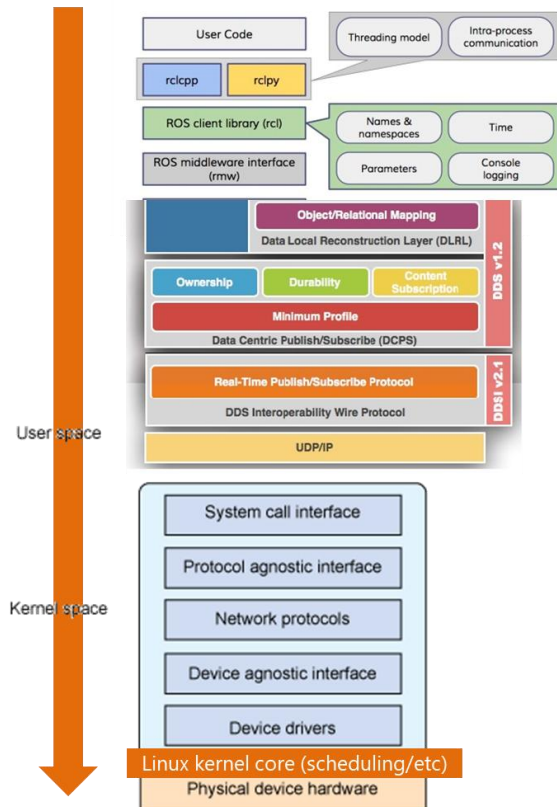
- **The world first commercial multi-kernel OS** supporting **homogeneous and heterogeneous cores with one OS**
- **The independent kernel per core** provides a **strong architectural FFI foundation** and **fast and scalable communication** via inter-microkernel messaging
- Supports **both POSIX API** for AP and **AUTOSAR OS API** for CP



Realizing a good computer by designing the detail from a holistic view

- Design it by going beyond the layers

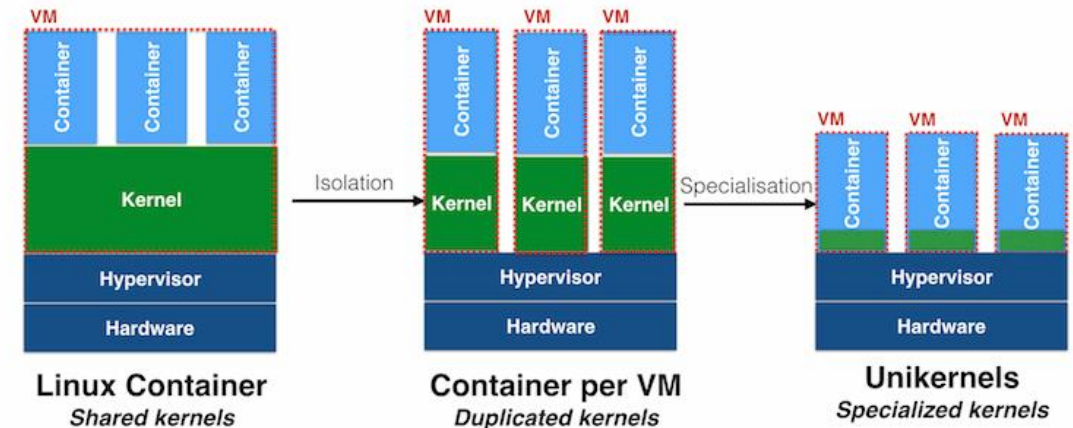
Service Oriented Communication stack example



- **ROS 2 stack** → **DDS stack** → **Linux kernel networking stack** – **totaling to 15 layers**
- If the kernel has the inter-core, inter-chip Service Oriented Comm., **this can be cut down into 5 layers**

HV+OS+Container example

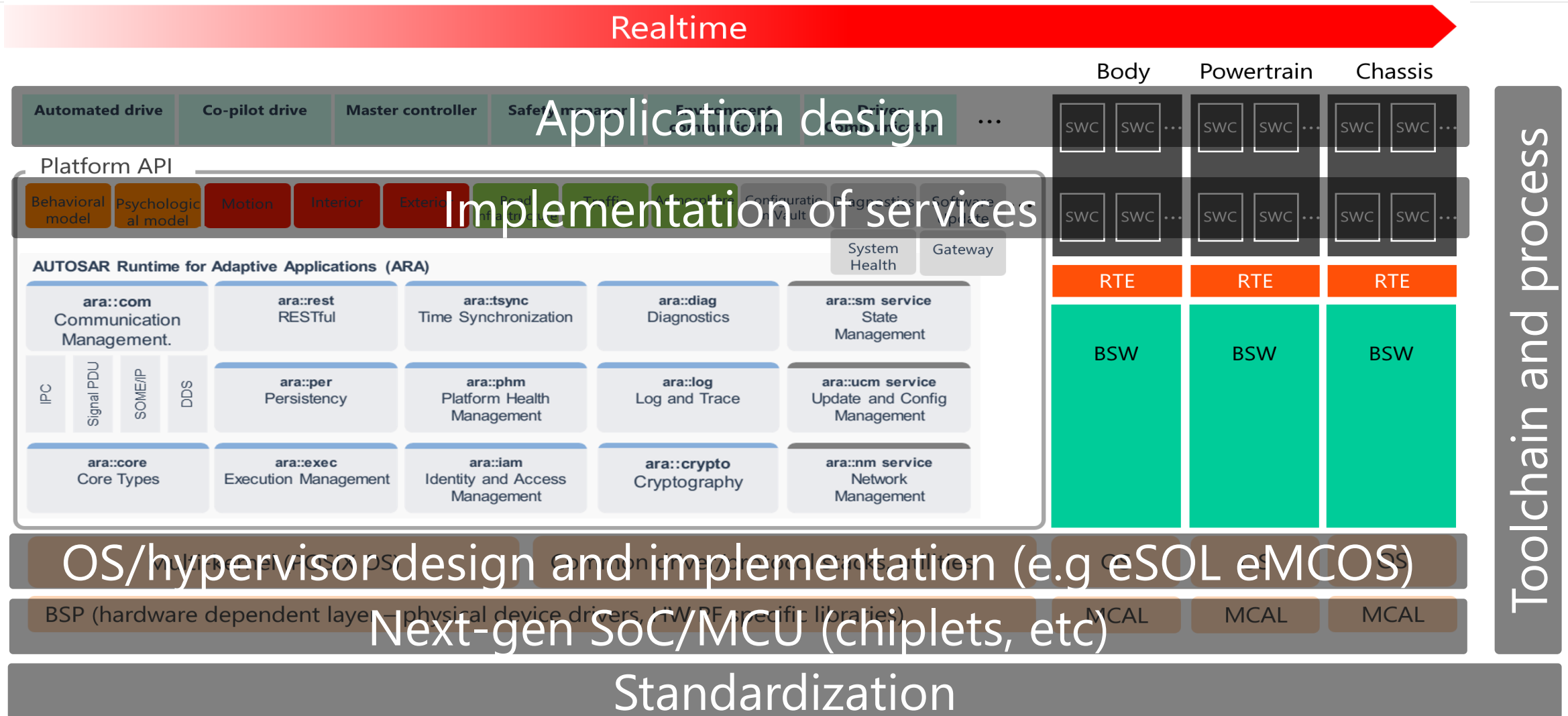
Isolation & specialisation with unikernels



- In the cloud HPC, the trend is **Hypervisor** ⇒ **Container+Linux** ⇒ **Unikernel/Library OS**
- Looking this architecture from a processor view, this is essentially user-land intensive multi-process OS
- ⇒ **A multi-kernel combined with unikernel**

<https://medium.com/@manuzhang/unikernel-67b1d2aa734c>

Innovations in various layers shall come with SDV





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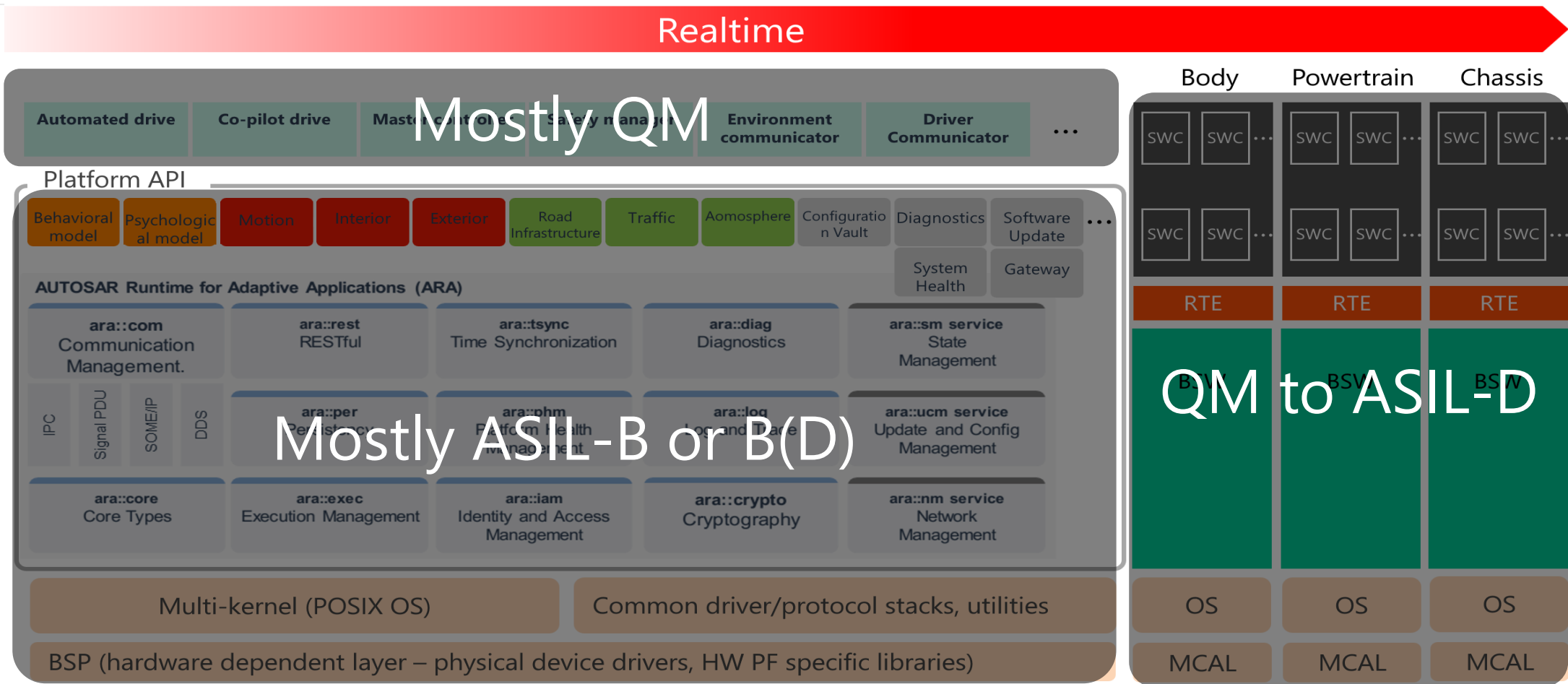


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