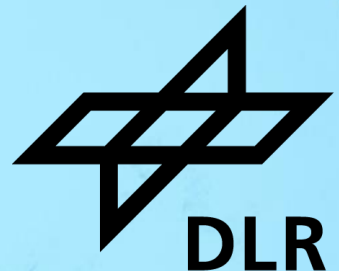
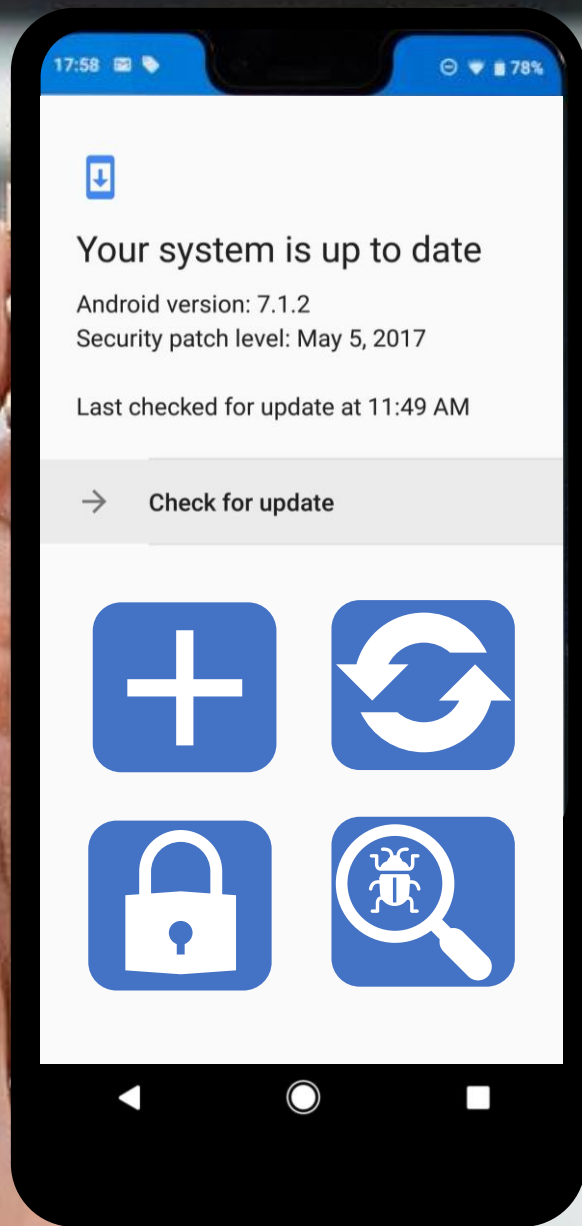


SAFE MODULAR ONLINE UPDATES AND UPGRADES FOR MIXED-CRITICALITY SYSTEMS

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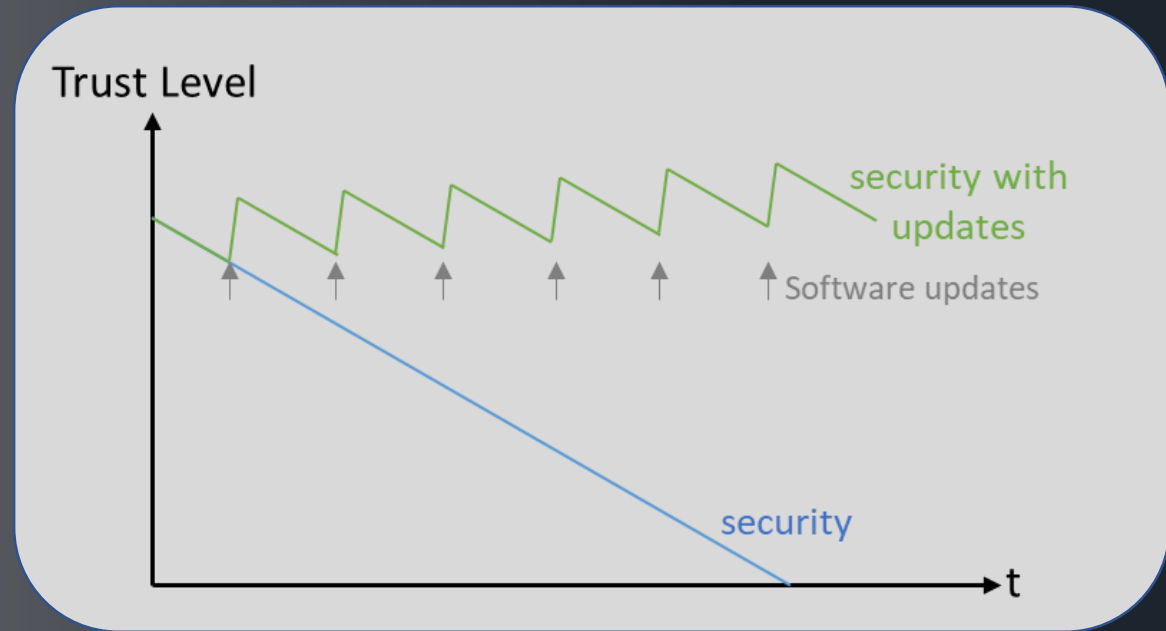
Latest version

Security patches

Bug fixing

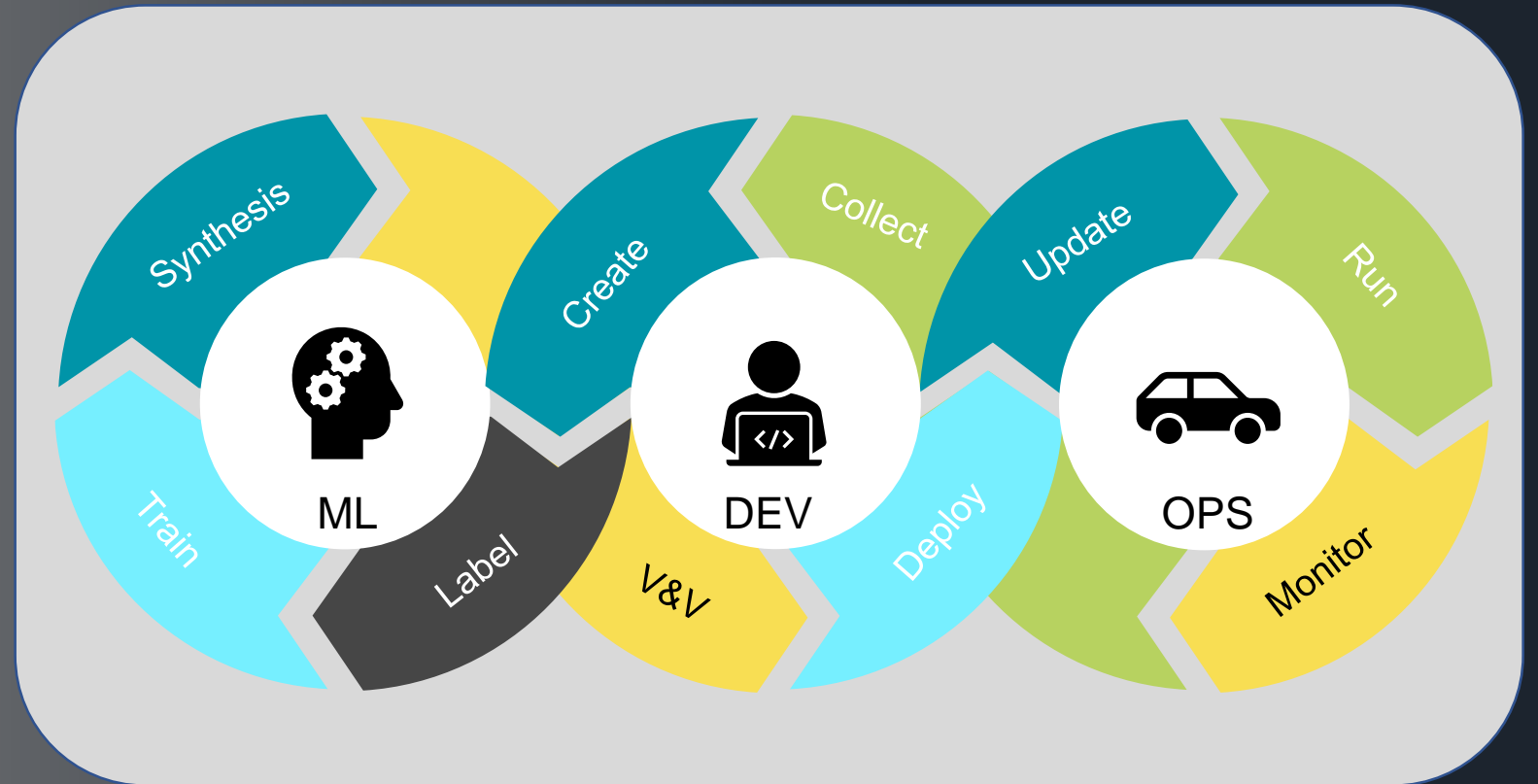


- **Connected devices are vulnerable to cyber-attacks**
- **Security mechanisms become obsolete over time**
 - **New vulnerabilities disclosed every day**
- **Updates are crucial to guarantee security (patching)**





- Machine Learning is becoming more important and thus the integration with a feedback and update process through MLOps





Security

Safety

Timely updates

Regular patching

Obsolete over time

Long modification procedures

Testing

Re-certification

Long lifespan

- **Security demands frequent / critical updates**
 - Over-the-air (OTA) updates
- **Functional Safety and OTA updates**
 - Safety lifecycle (V-model) for critical SW development
 - Trust level increases with service time
 - **Modifications are discouraged**
 - Standards require an impact analysis, new safety validation, re-certification

Challenges



End-to-end Security

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HW/SW complexity

SOLUTIONS AND OBJECTIVES



**Safe and secure
update framework**

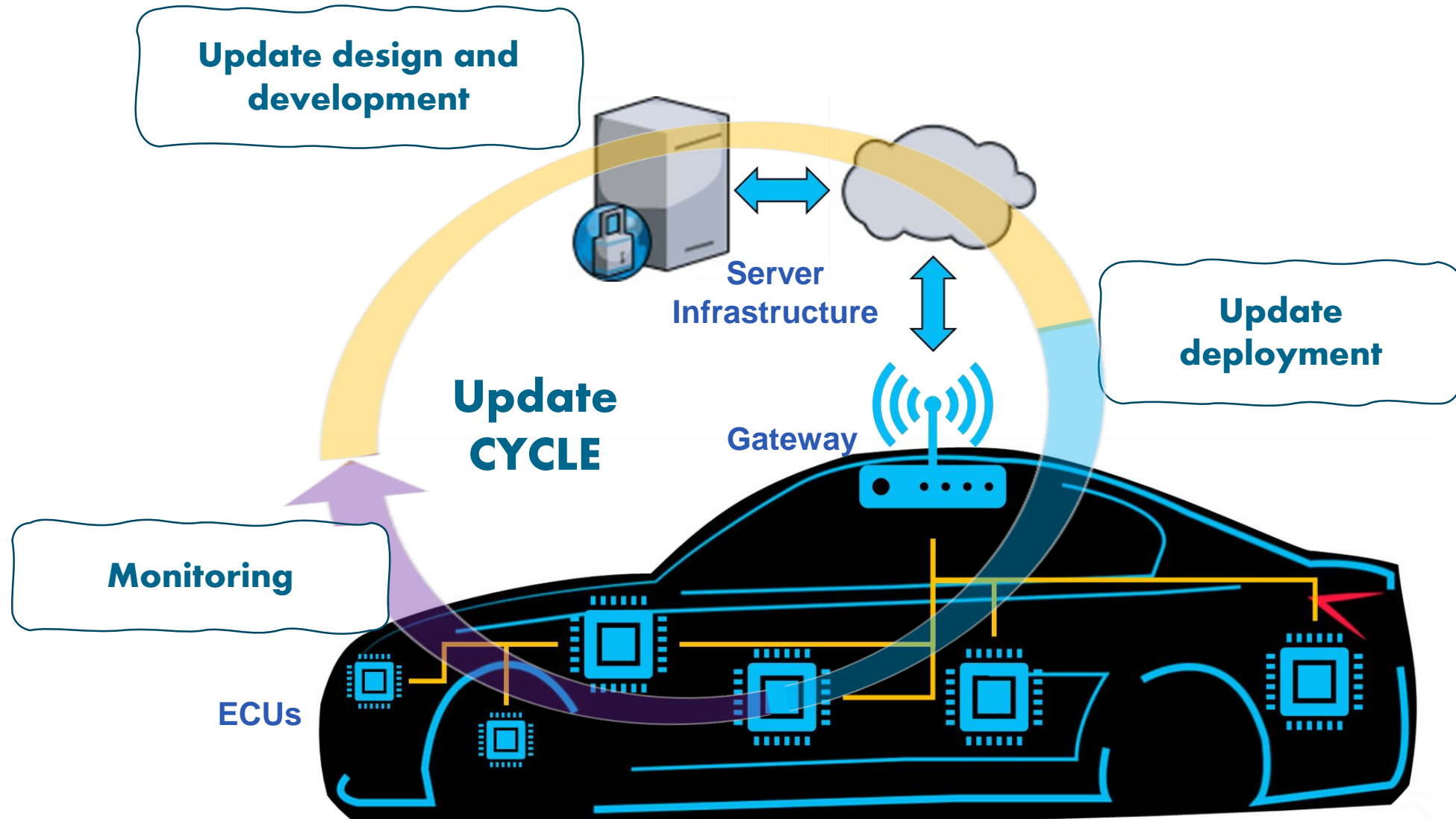


**Observability and
Controllability**

Contract-based design



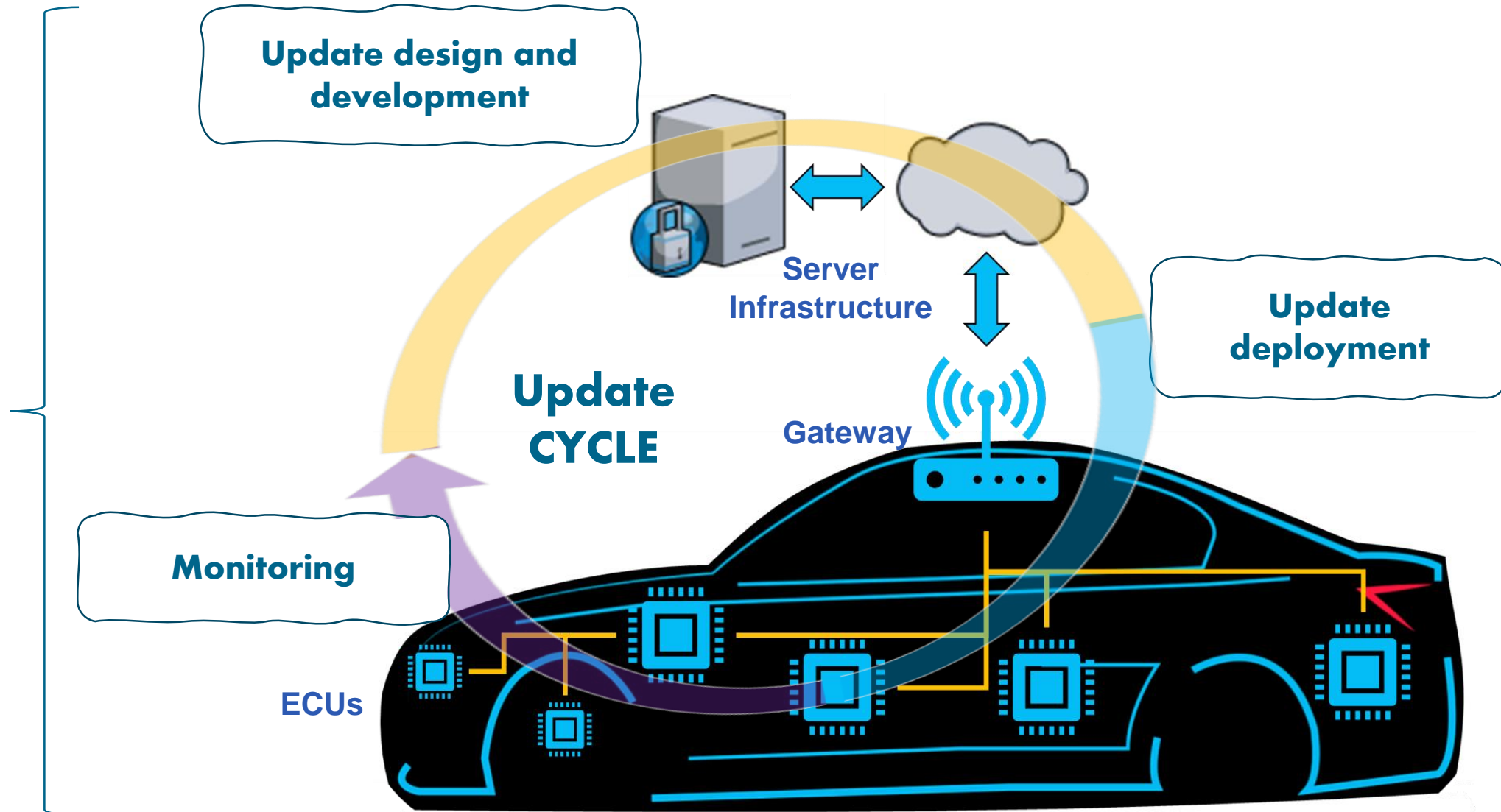
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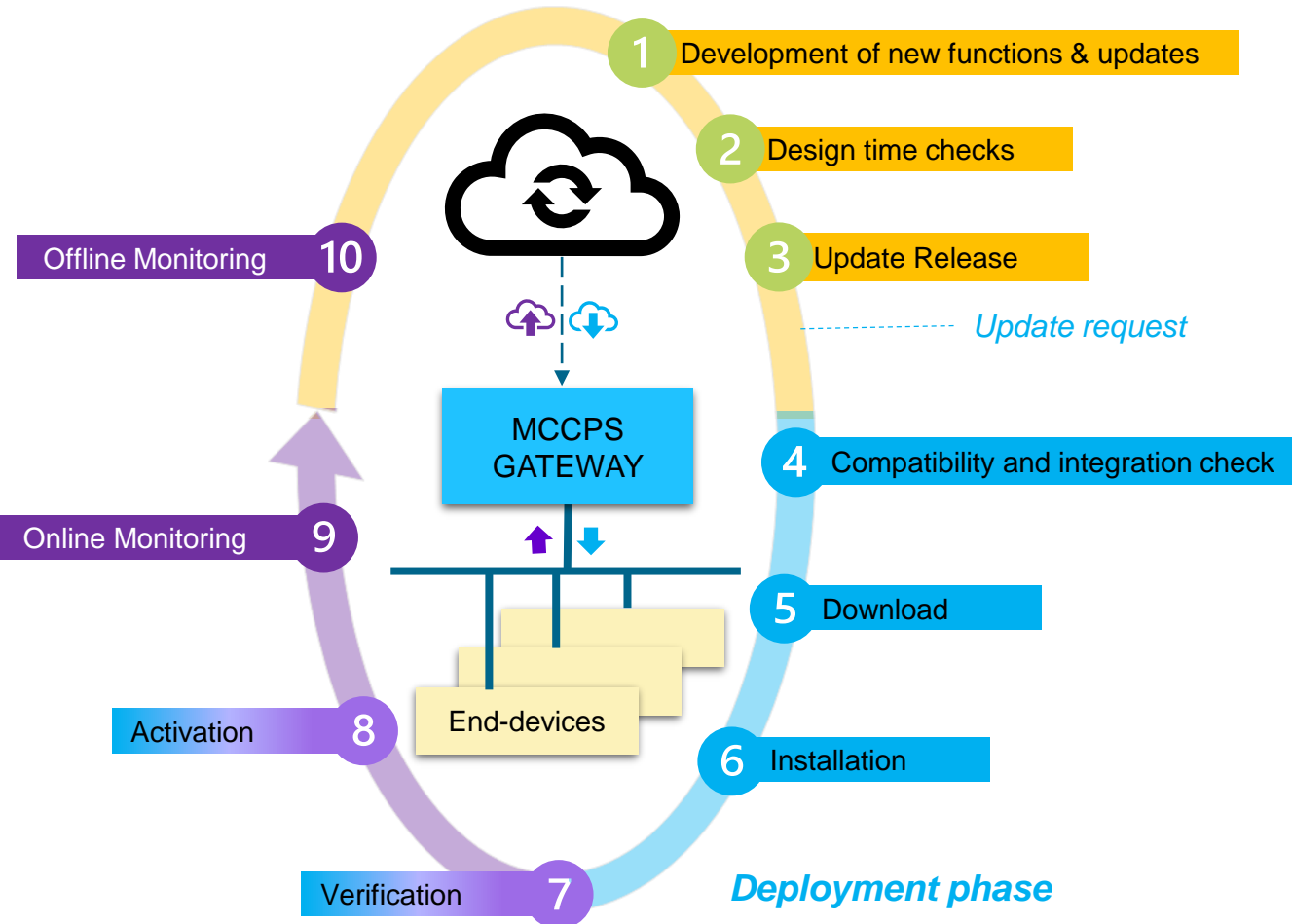
Formalisms, Processes, and Guidelines for:

- SW-Updates
- updateable HW-/SW-Platforms
- Dev-Phase, Ops-Phase, & Deployment
- the Server-Fleet-SoS

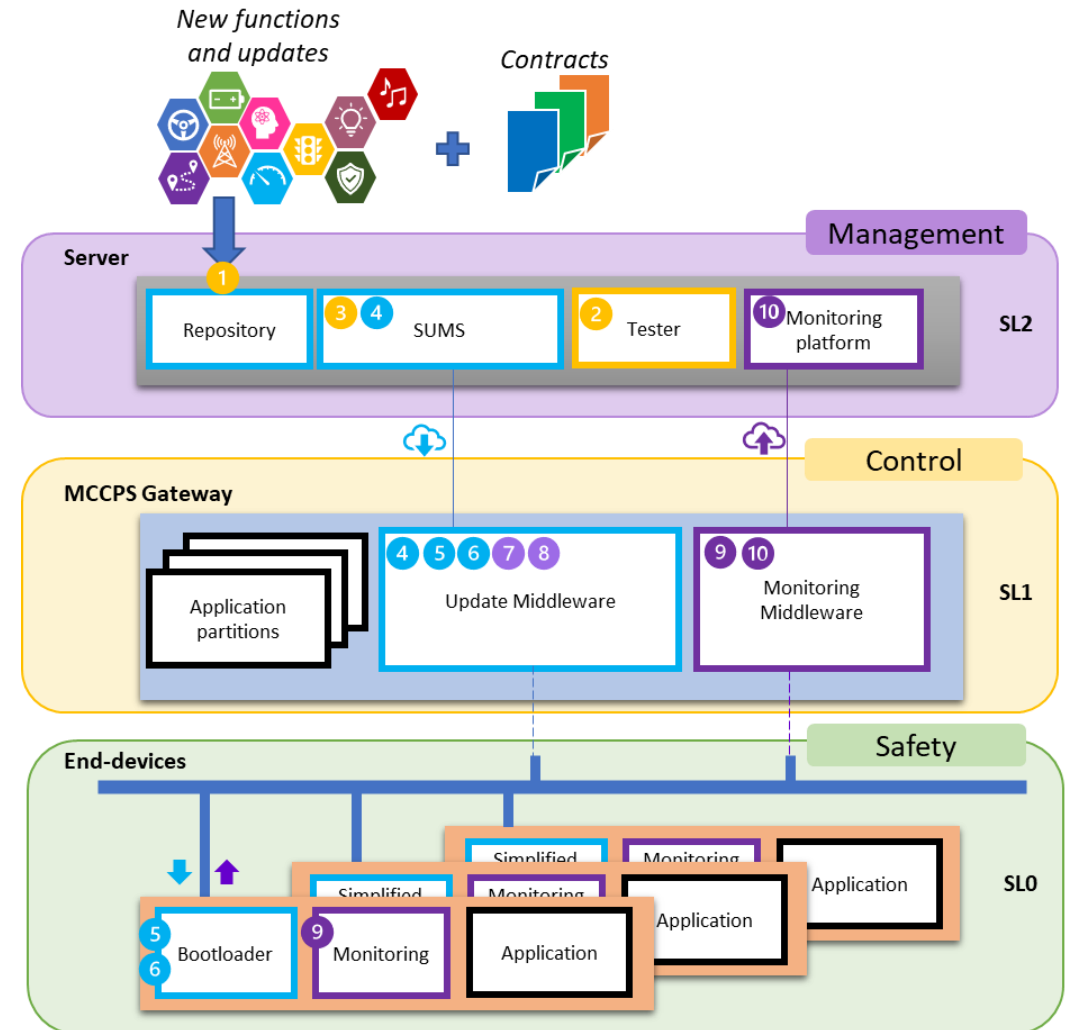


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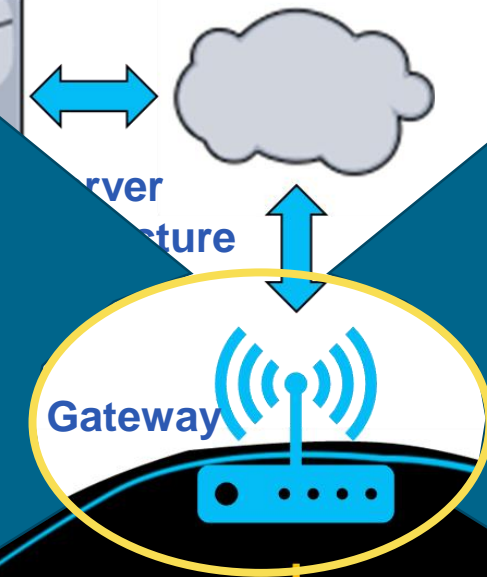
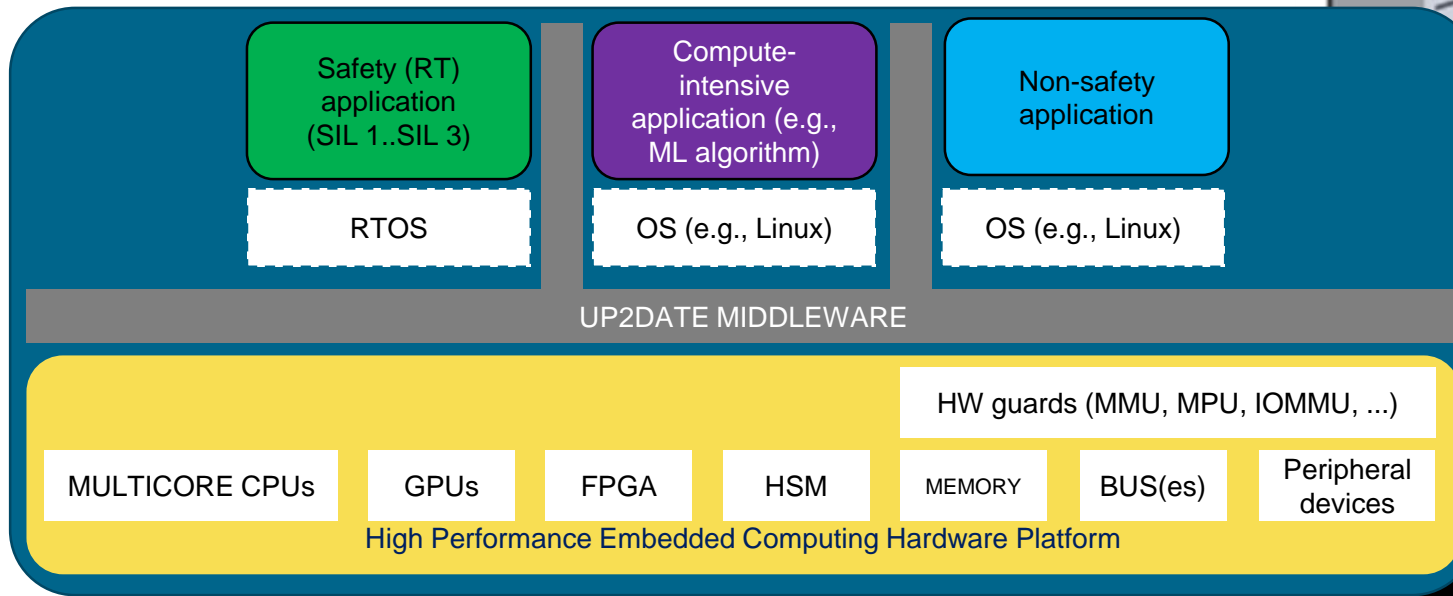
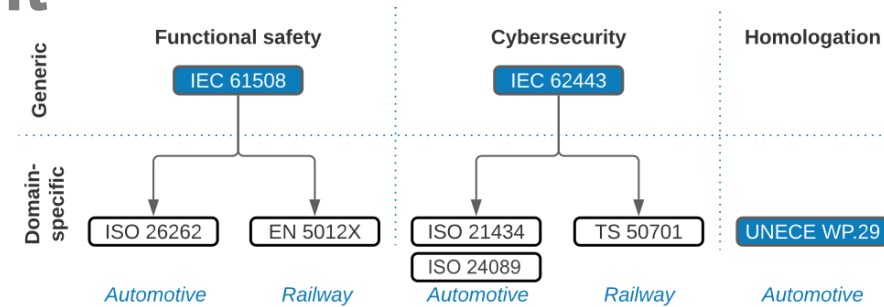
Deployment phase



Safety & Security Assessment



- Safe and secure update management procedure
- Safe and secure requirements and mixed-criticality architecture design
- Risk assessment



MCS Platform:

- Spatial and temporal system partitioning based on certifiable hypervisor
- Resource management
- Inter-partition communication (IPC)

Security Measures:

Secure communications:

- Server ↔ Gateway
- Server ↔ End-Device
- Gateway ↔ End-Device

Security Monitoring:

- Health monitoring & Anomaly detection
- Logging
- Security auditor

Secure updates:

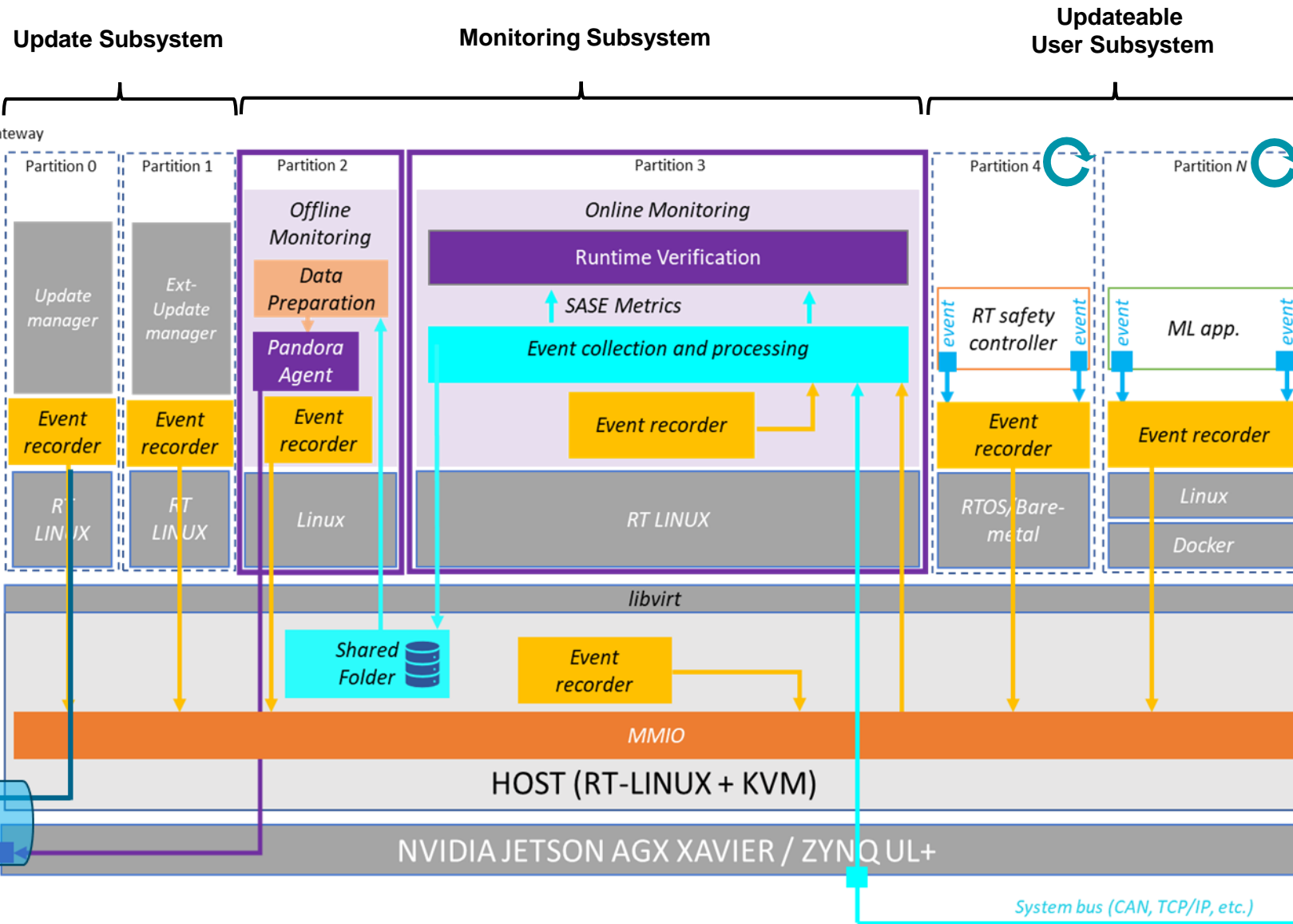
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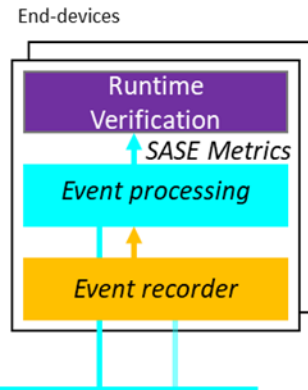
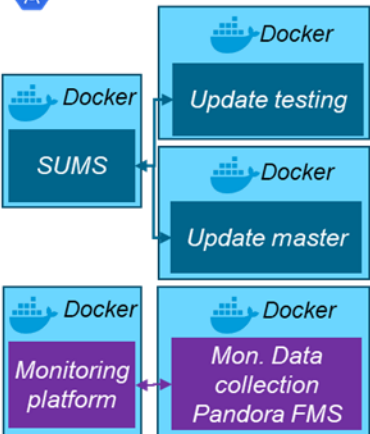
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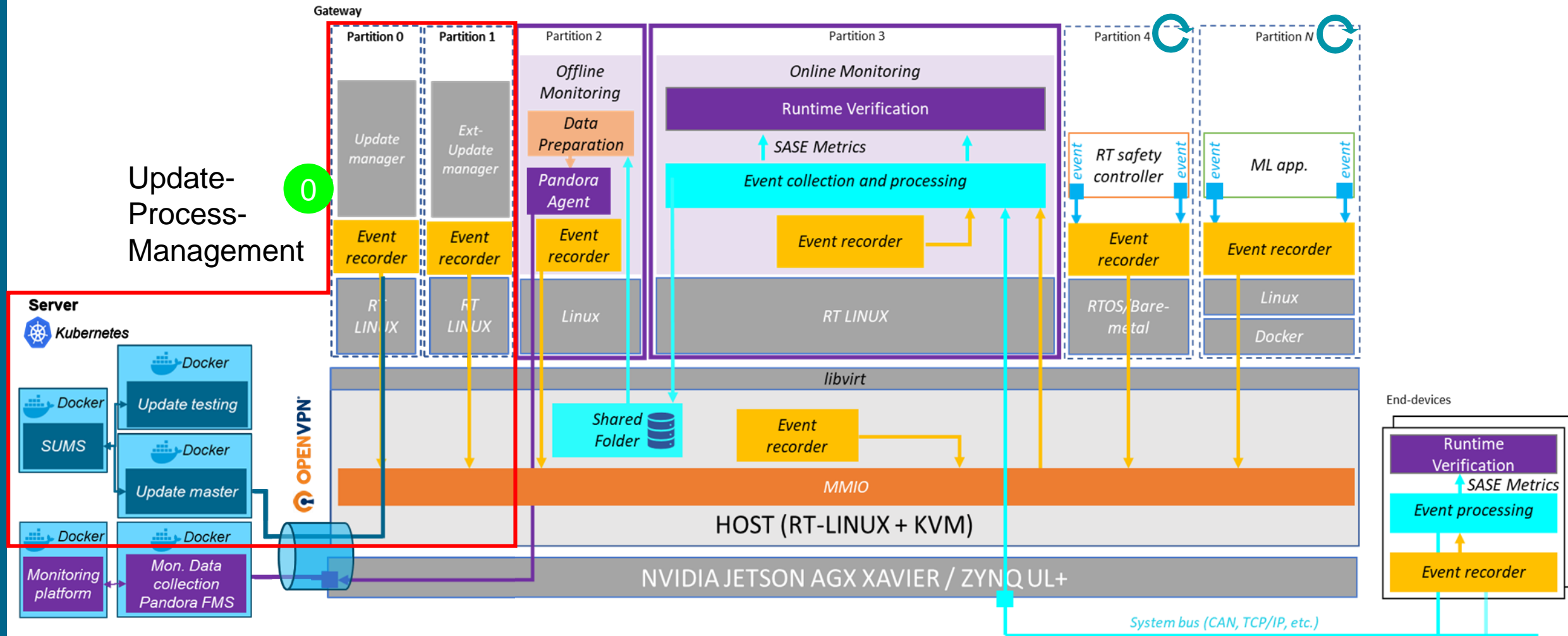
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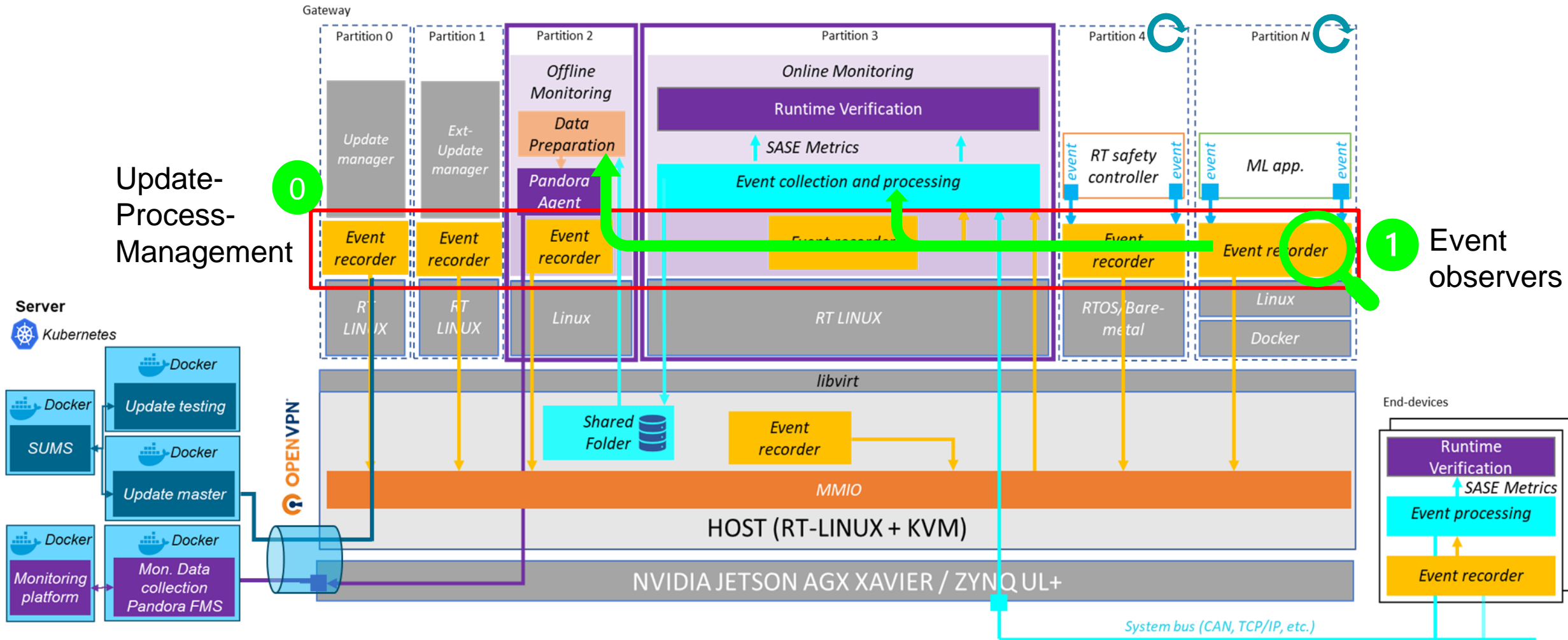
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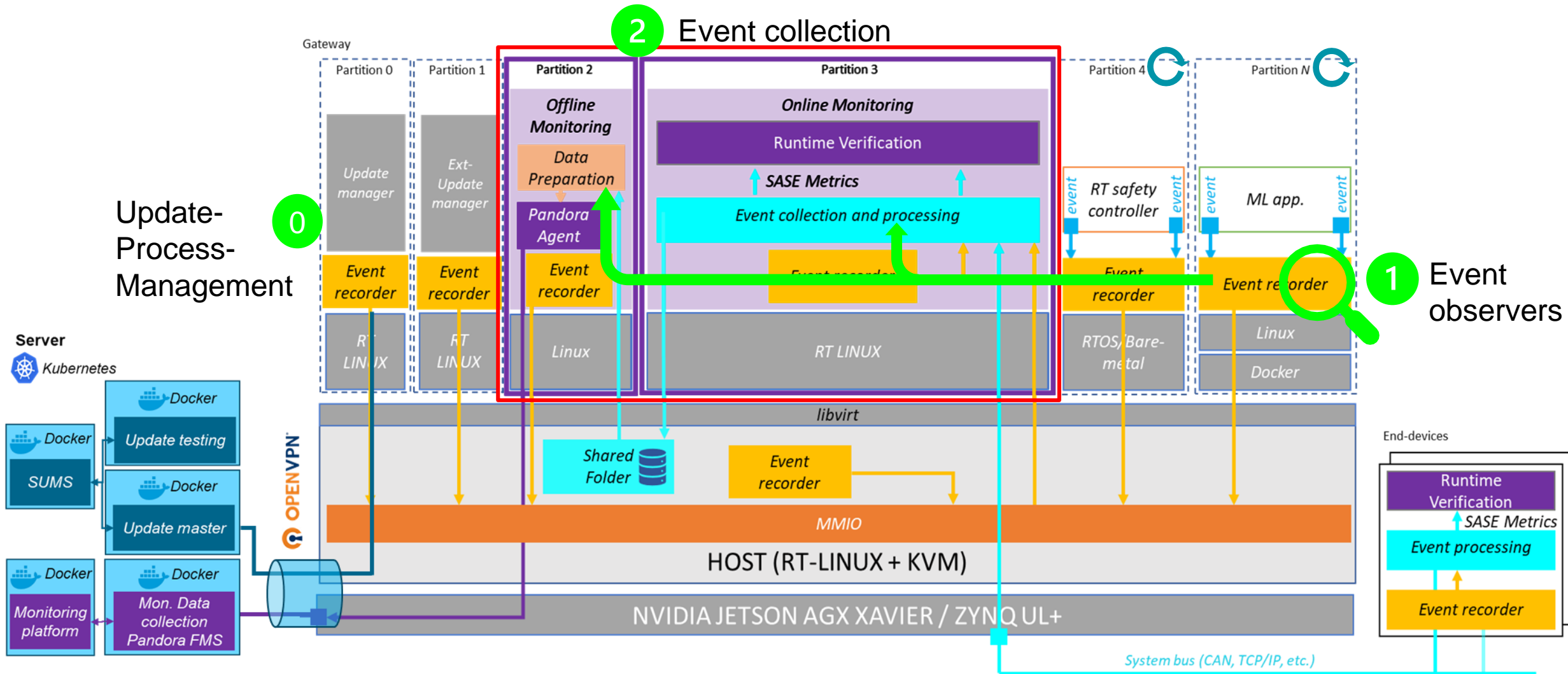
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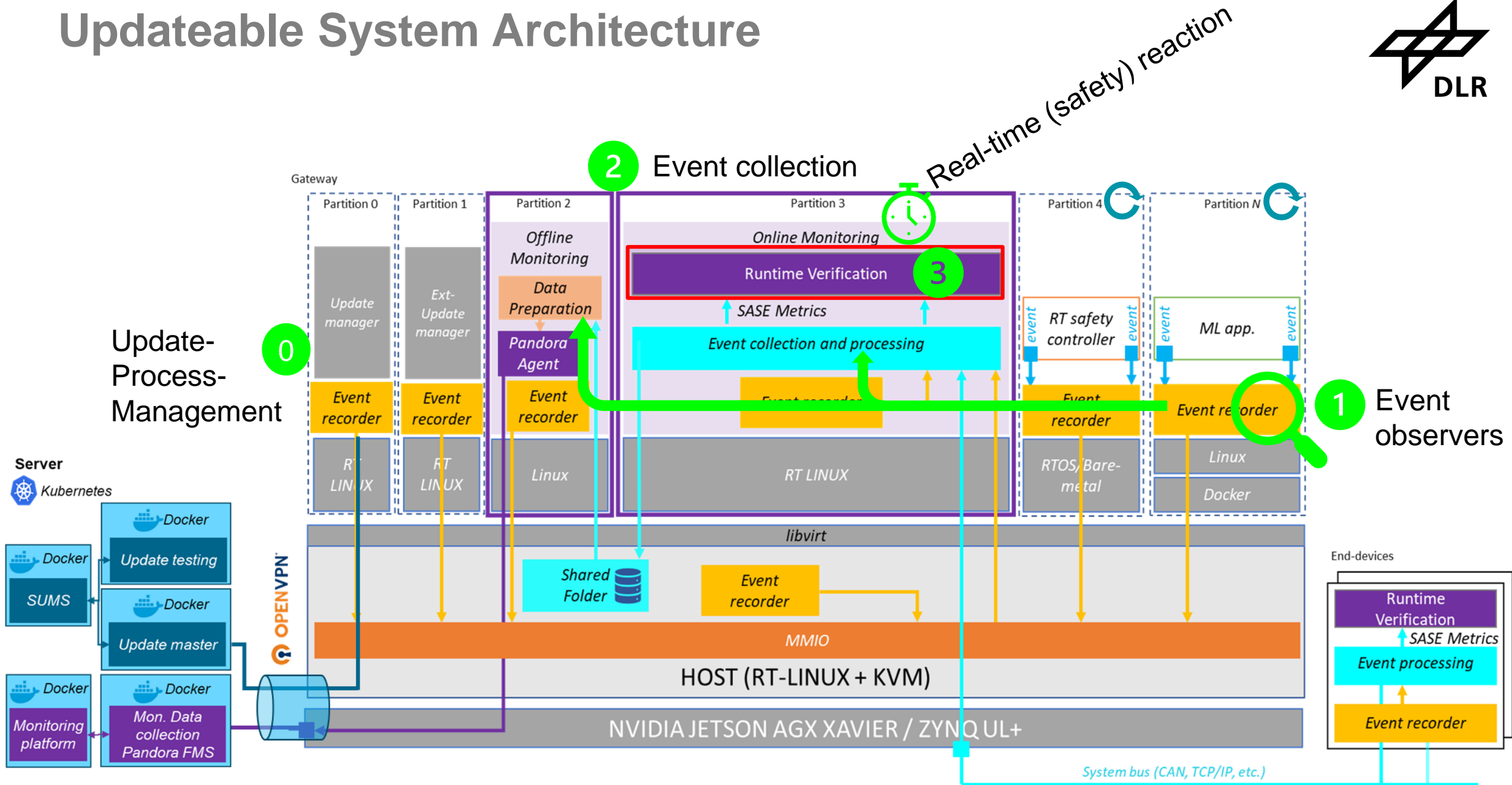
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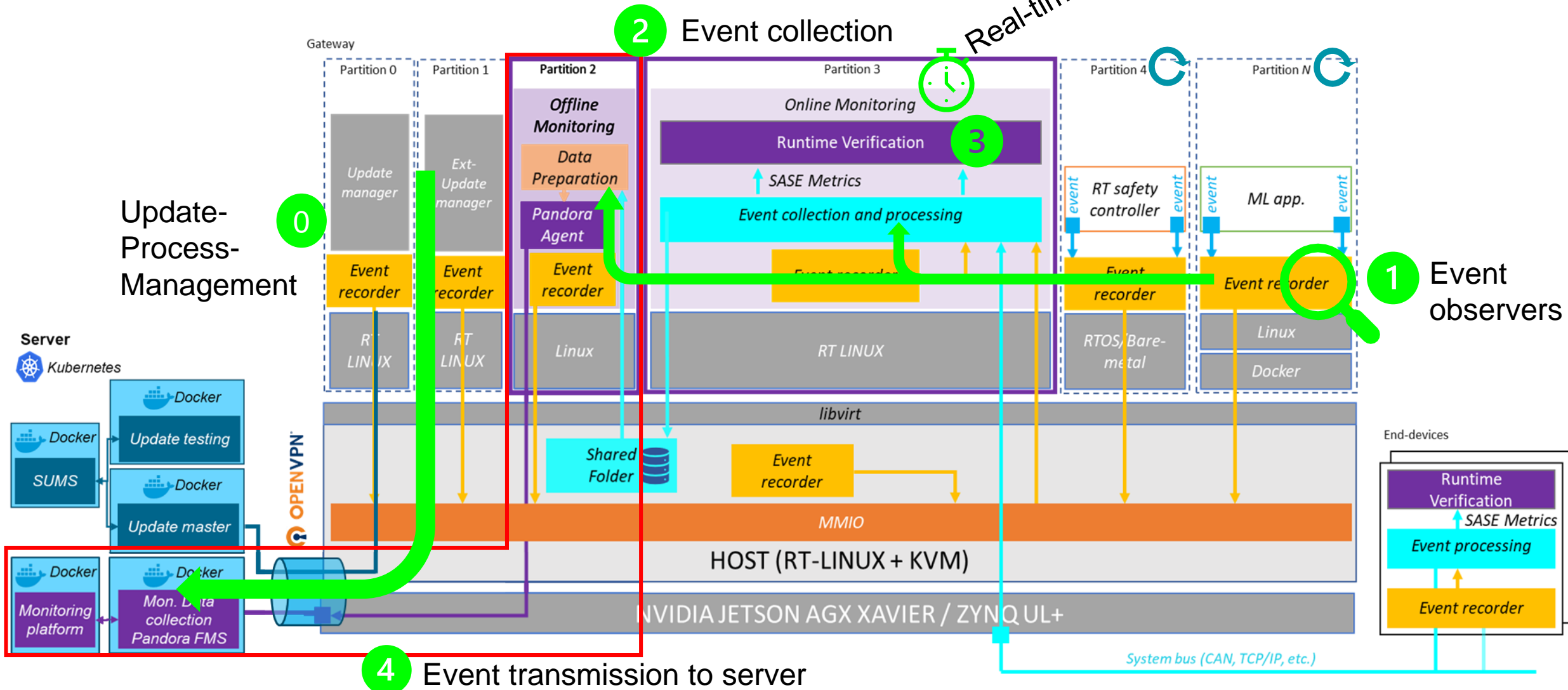
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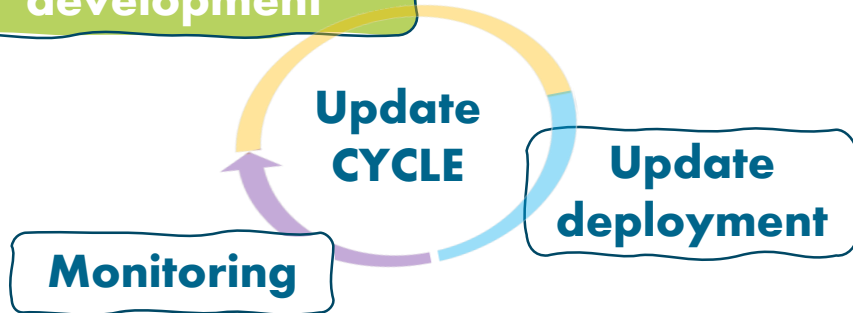


4 Event transmission to server

Real-time (safety) reaction

Update design and development

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7.4.2.4 The design method chosen shall possess features that facilitate software modification. Such features include modularity, information hiding and encapsulation. *IEC-61508-3*

Contract – formalized description of the conditions of integration (real-time, resources, functionality, safety aspects)

UP2DATE update compatibility is defined by:

- Mutual satisfaction of resource- and metadata-requirements
- Refinement of (implicit) resource-limits and metadata-criteria
- Mutual satisfaction of timing-requirements
- Refinement of timing-specifications

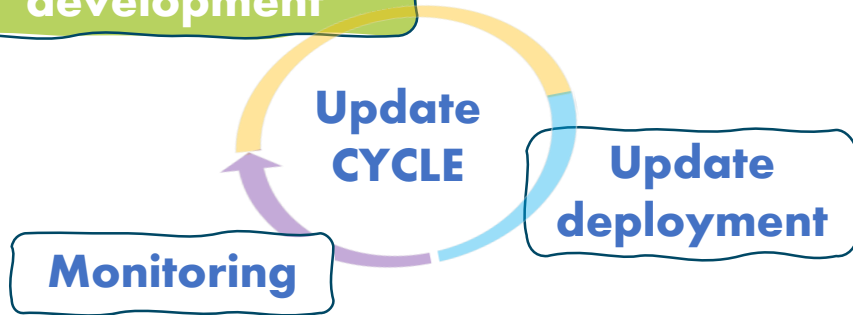
- Resource- & Metadata (RMD):
- System-Configurations
 - Resource Usage
 - Interference upper-bounds
 - Power Supply
 - Temperature



- Functional Event Timing (FET):
- Absolute & relative timing of functional events (i.e., control-/data-flow-events)
 - Regularity & variance of functional-event timing (i.e., period, delay, jitter,)

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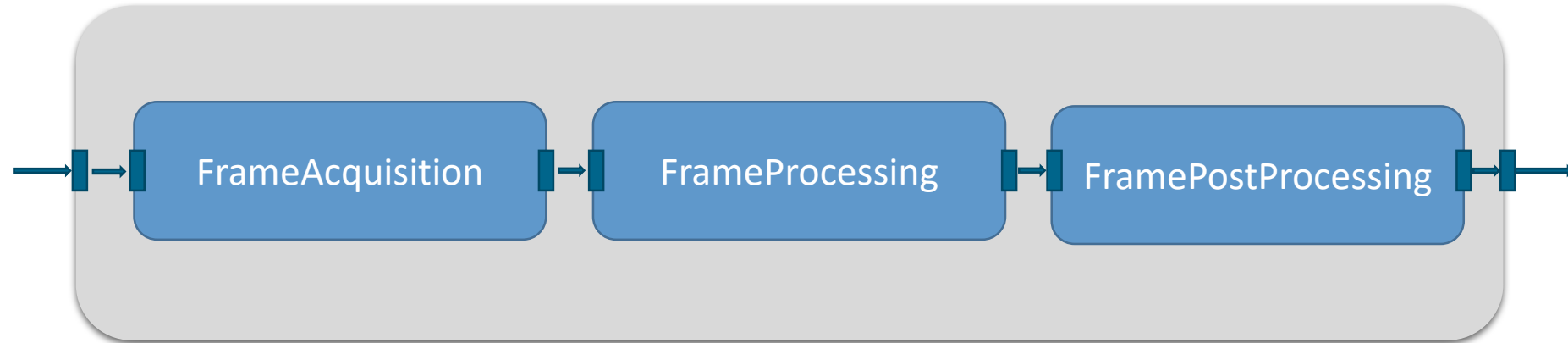
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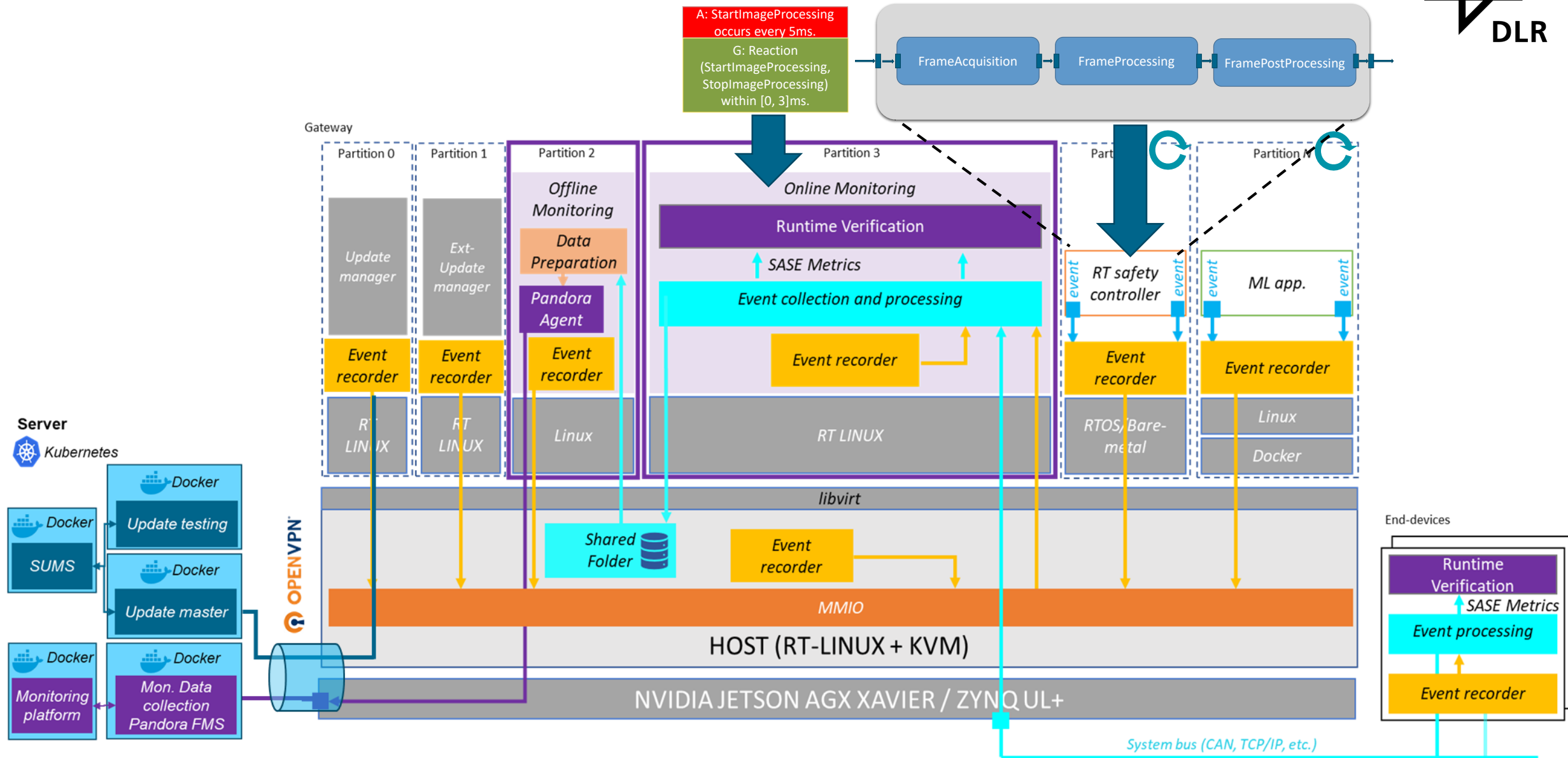
- System and app characterization (contract specification)

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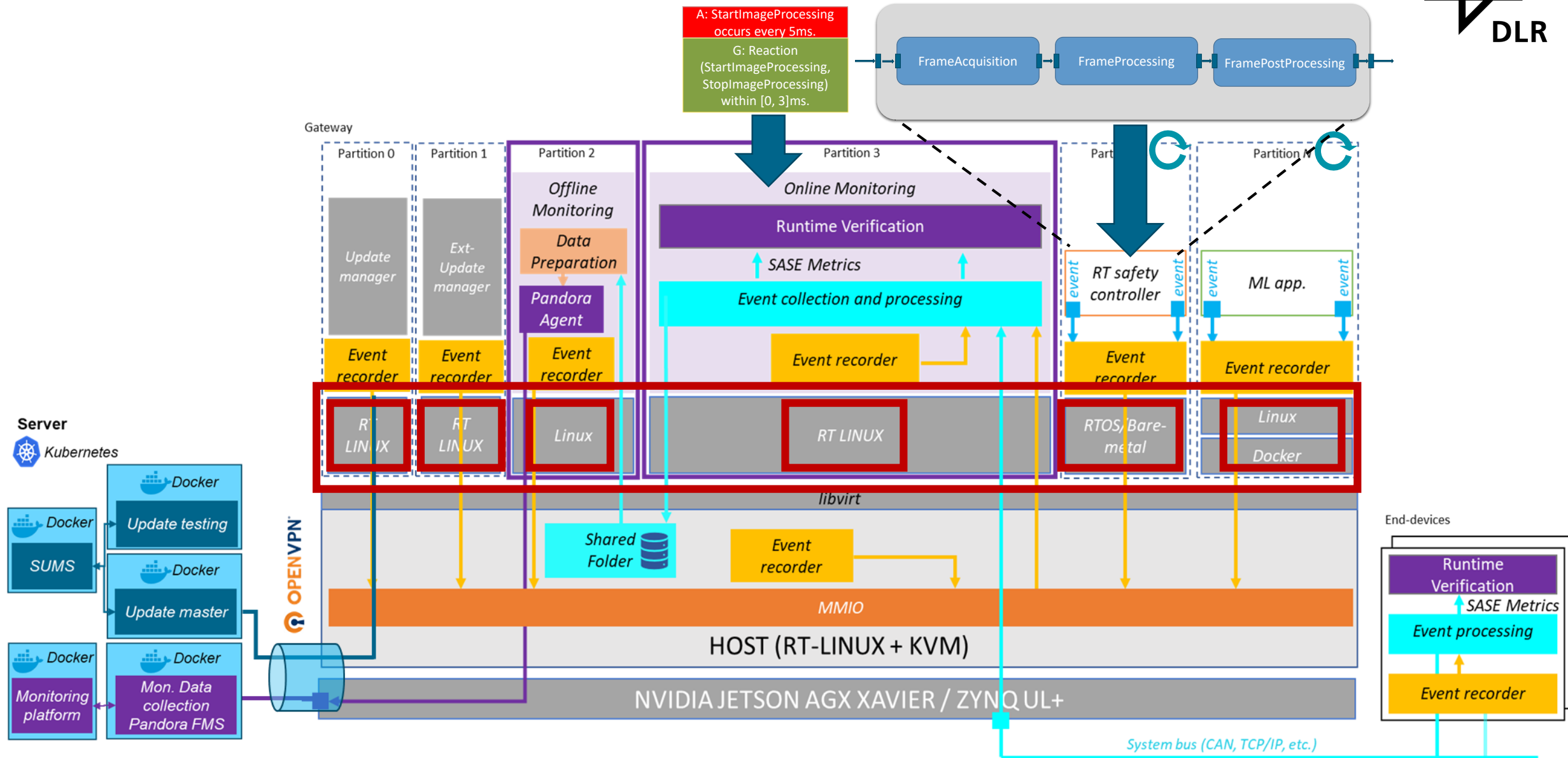
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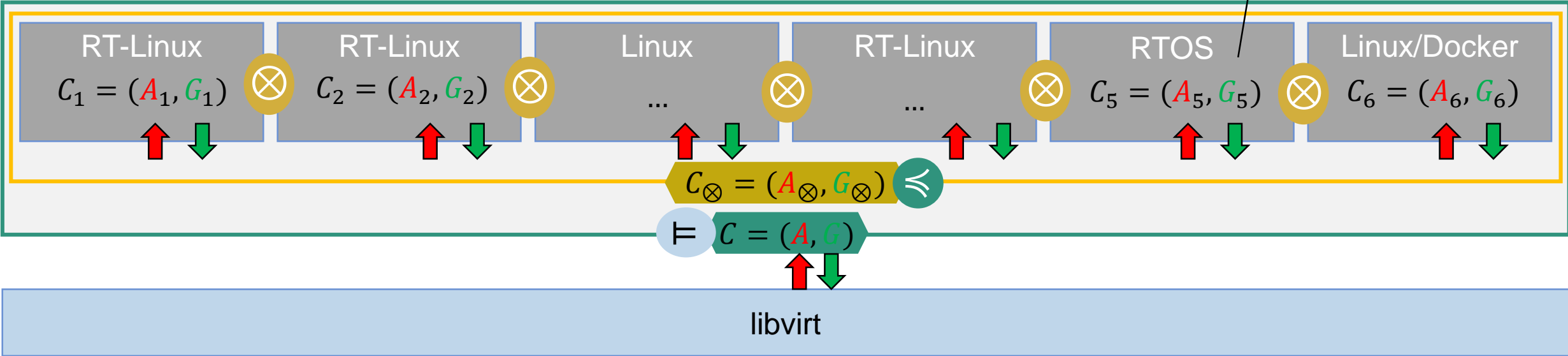
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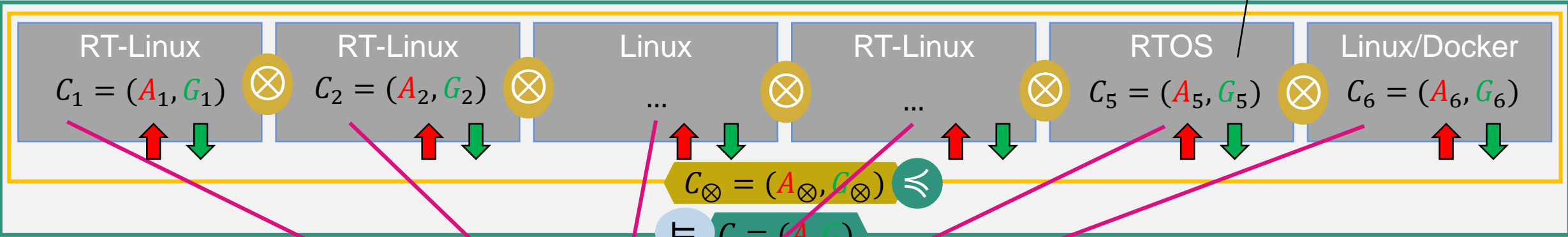


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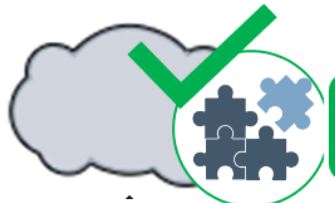
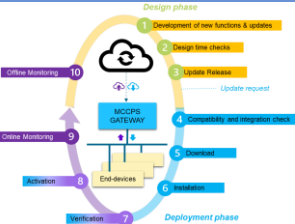


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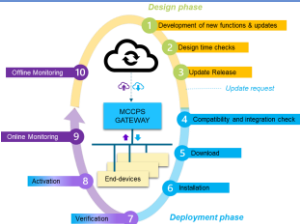
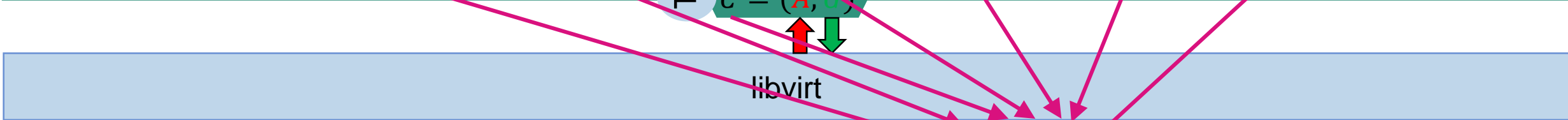
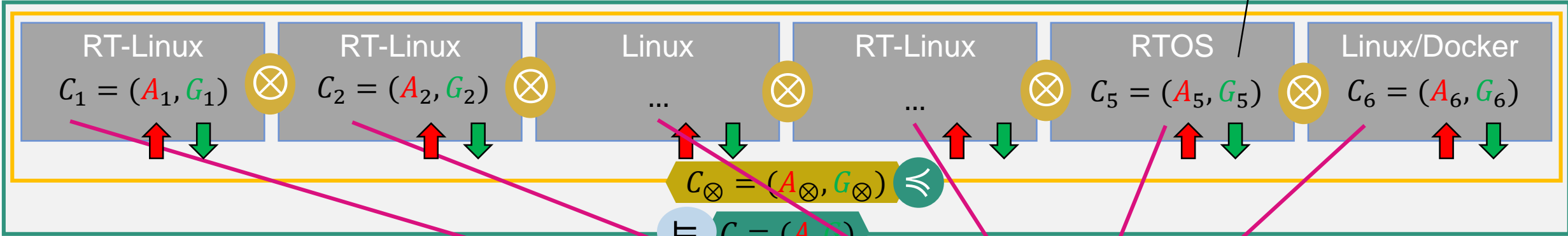
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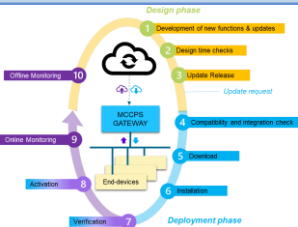
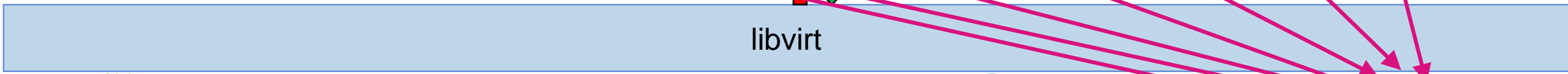
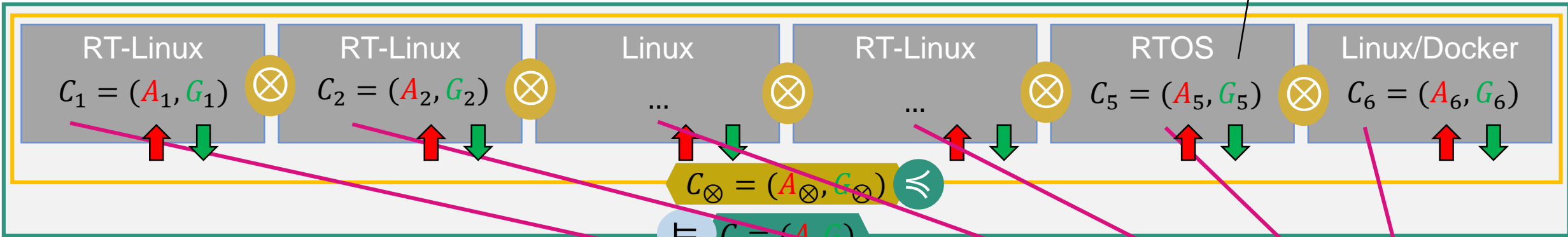


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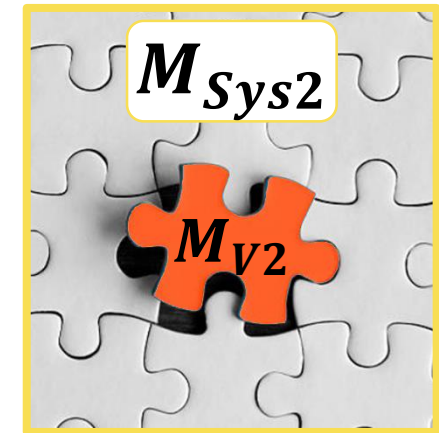
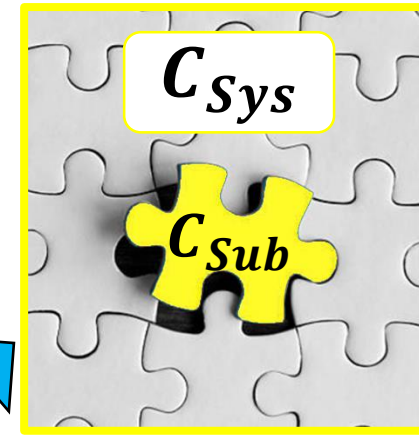
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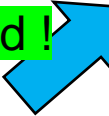
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changing the system

→ Check refinement between a system-specification and different versions of system-compositions

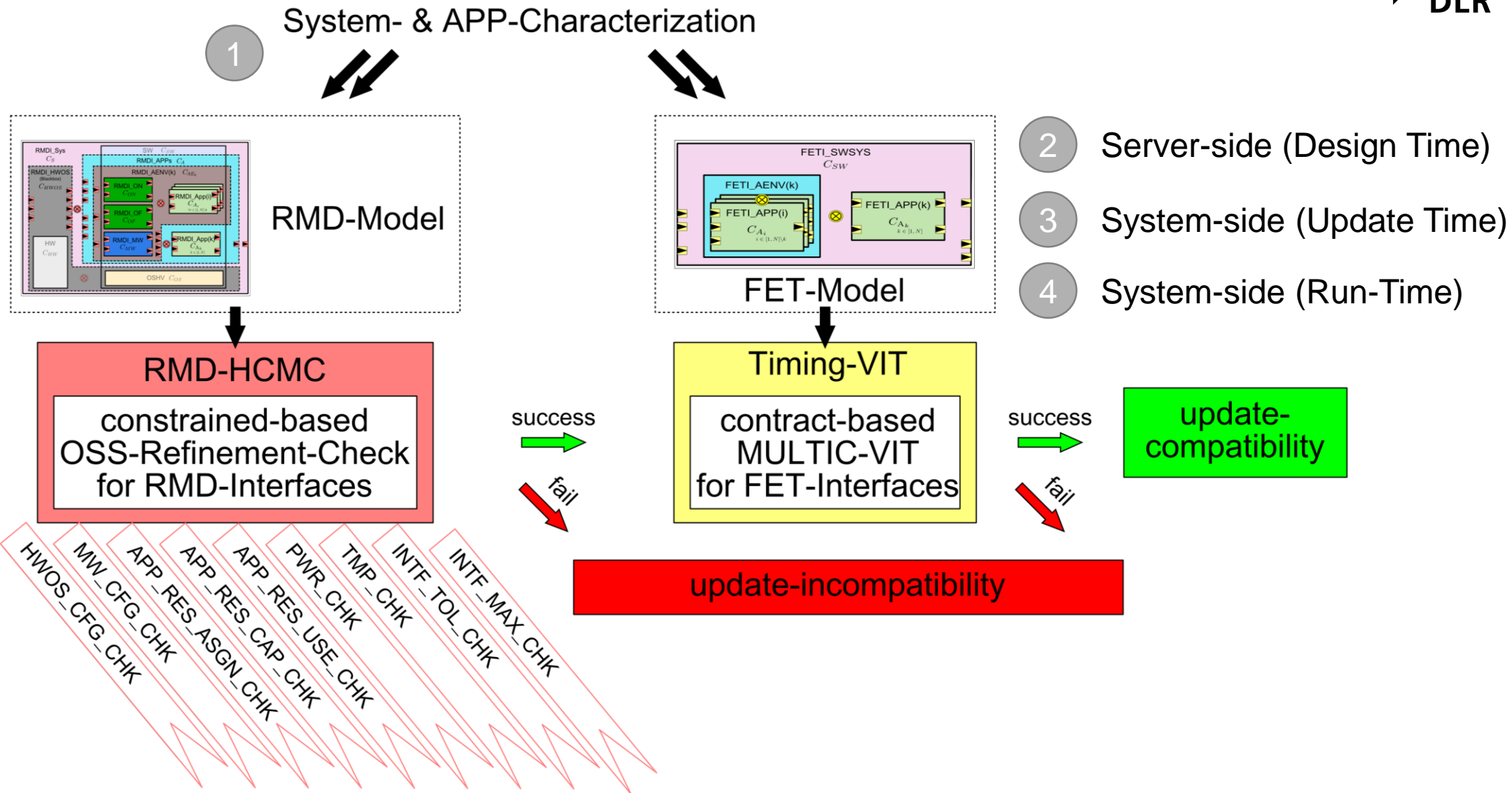
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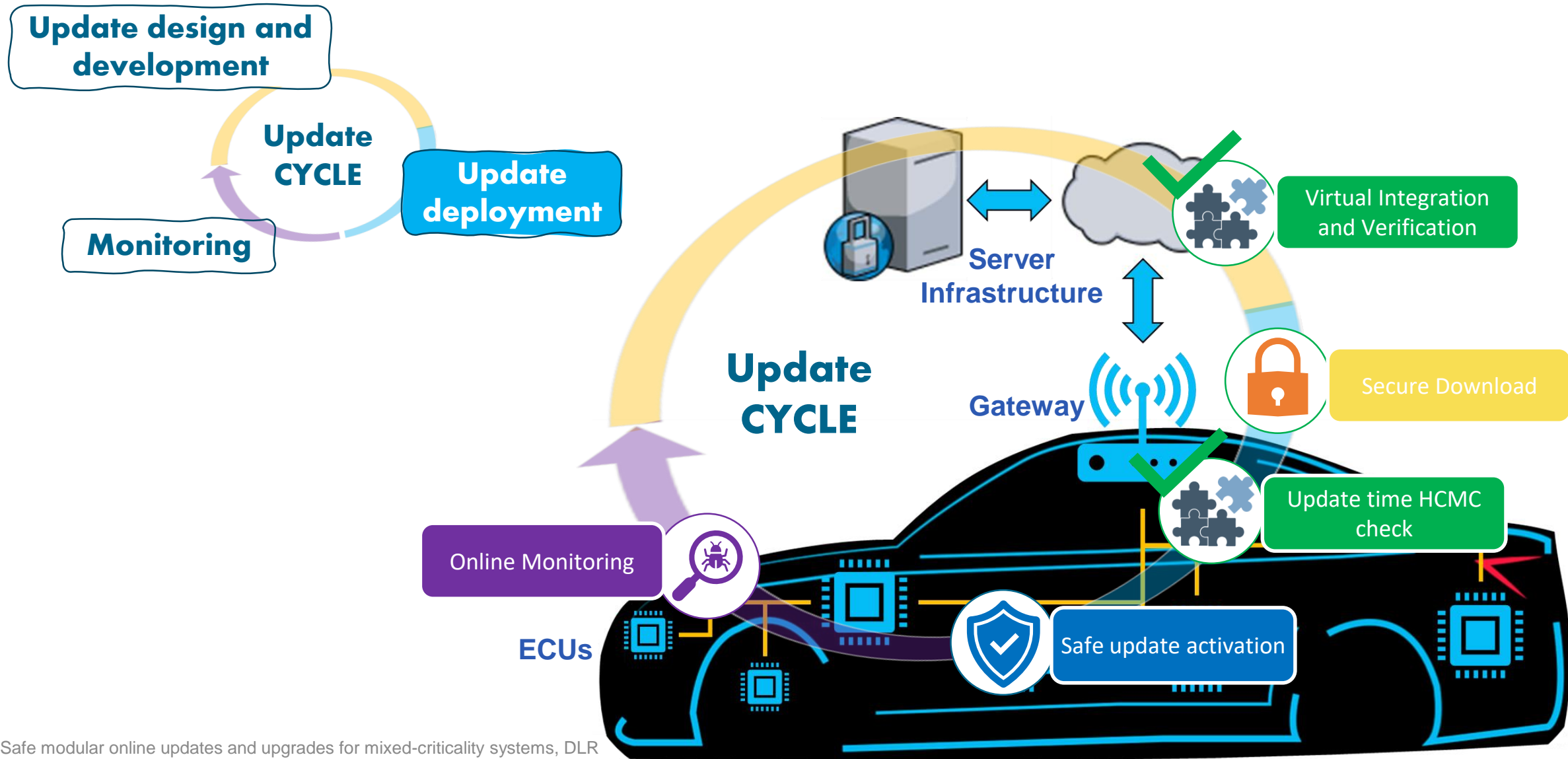
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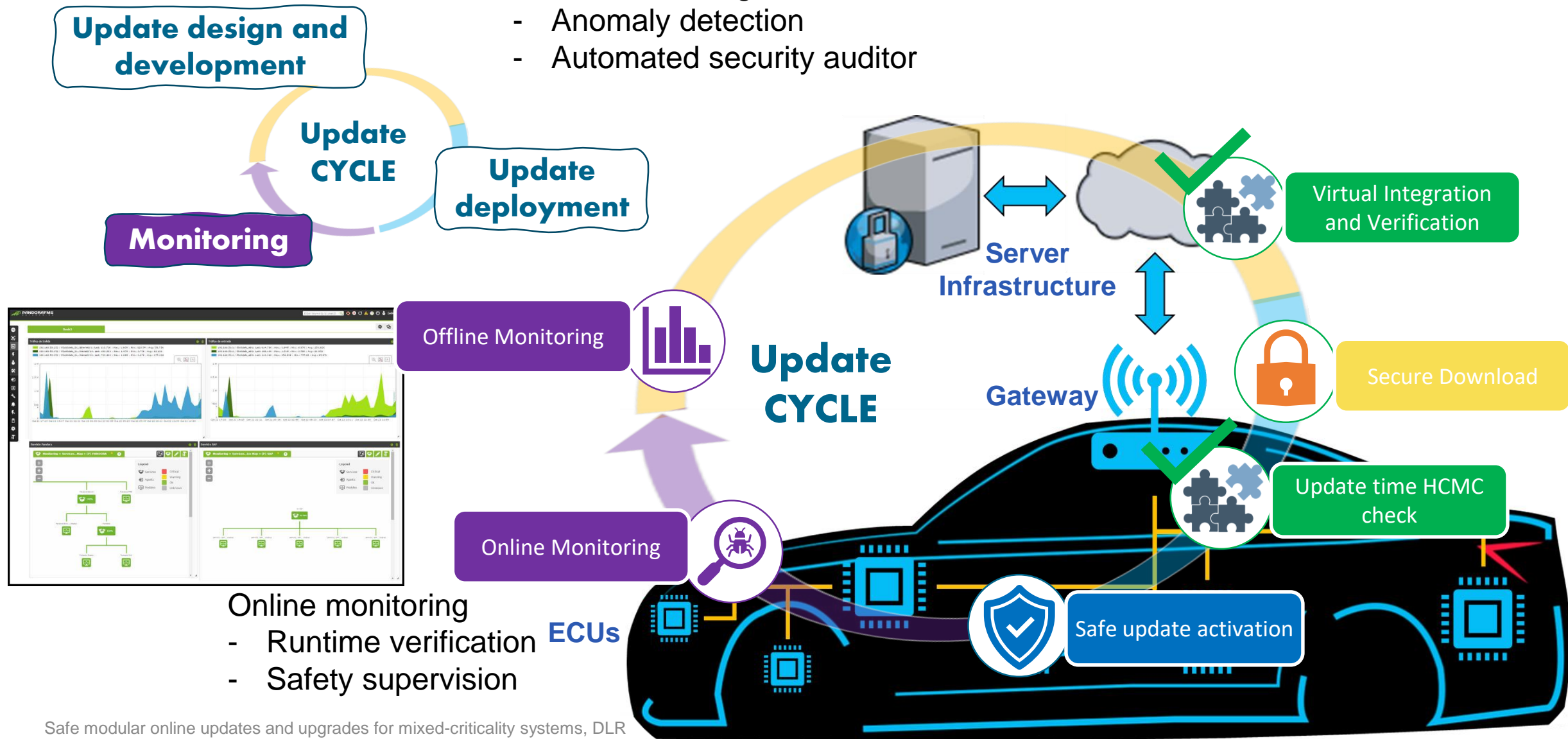


Deployment



Monitoring






- Offline monitoring
- Anomaly detection
 - Automated security auditor



- Online monitoring
- Runtime verification
 - Safety supervision

Conclusion and open challenges



- Proof-of-concept modular update process and middleware (server to gateway to end-device) 
- Contract based compatibility checking and online monitoring promising approach 
- No functional (SOTIF) properties considered so far 
- Only static resource properties supported so far 
- Interference challenge on shared resources still not sufficiently solved 
 - Today's COTS HW still not designed appropriately (see „CAST-32A” and “AC 20-193” for Avionics Multi-Core Processing)
 - Multi-Core Processing Platform with robust partitioning required
 - Robust Resource and Time Partitioning not only between software applications hosted on the same core, but also between applications hosted on different cores of an MCP or between applications that have threads hosted on several cores
 - Joint HW/SW approach required for partitioning hypervisor with guaranteed robust partitioning
 - Our contract based approach would highly benefit from such robust partitioning, since it allows
 - to exploit the power on incremental update compatibility checking
 - and a shift towards virtual verification



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