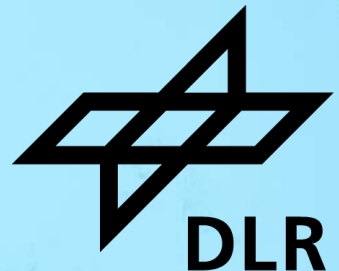


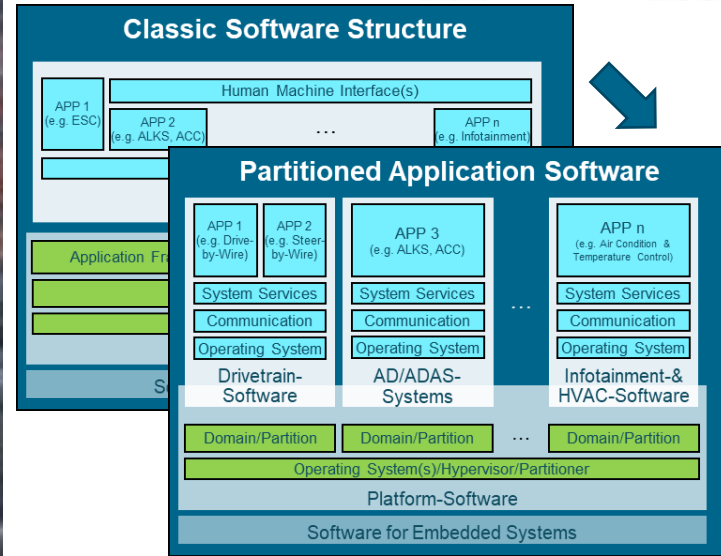
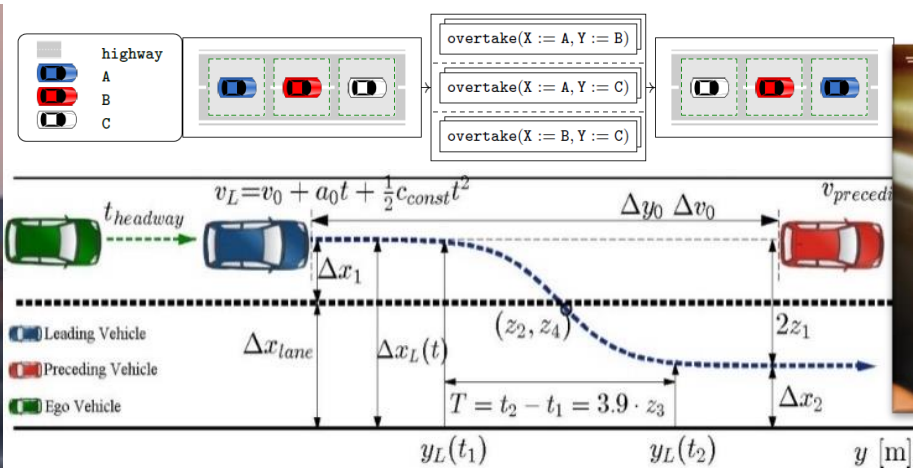
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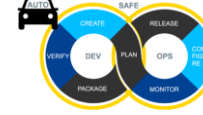


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Lessons Learned

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Safety cannot be guaranteed by functional correctness alone.

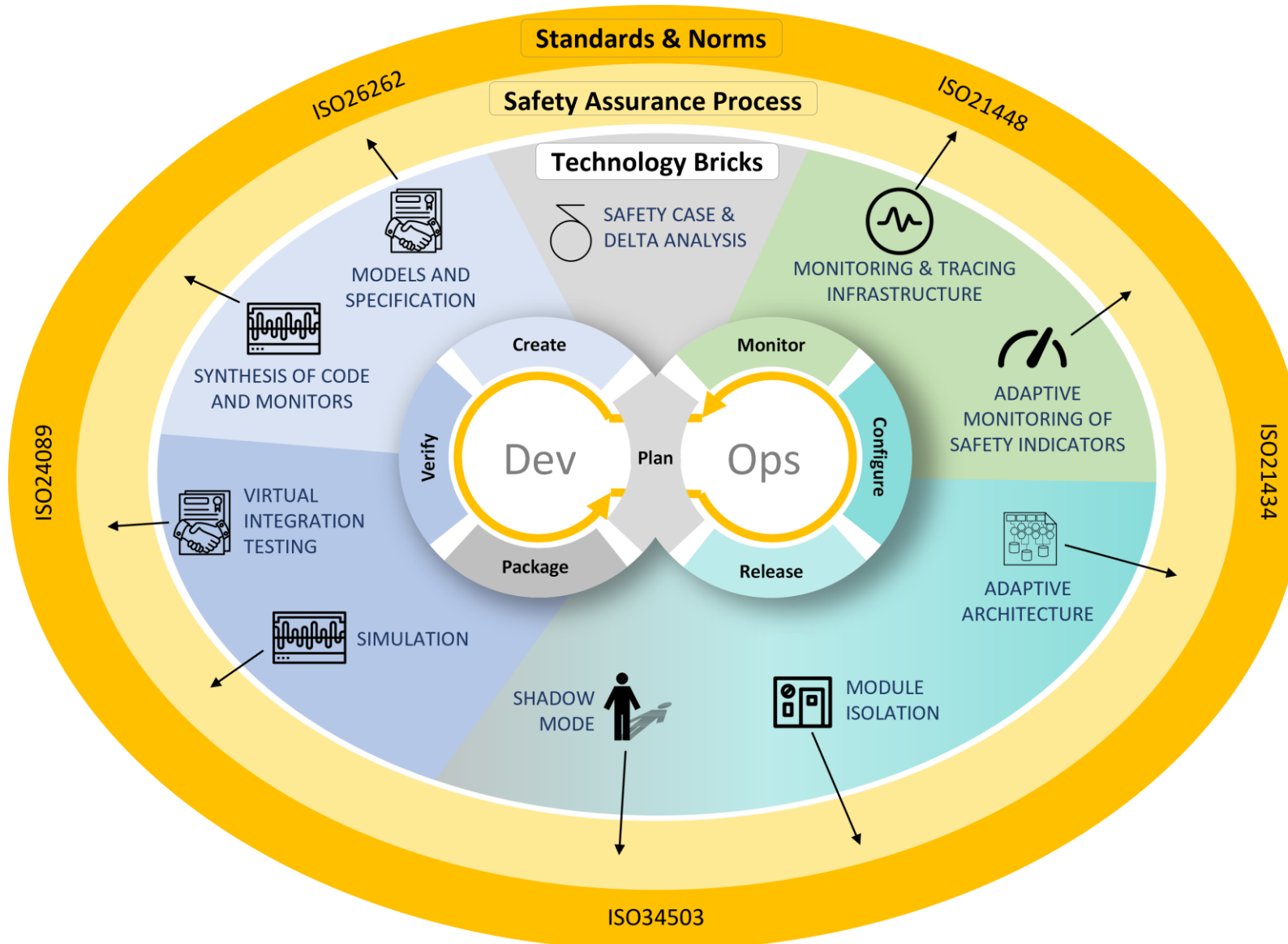
Contracts have successfully been used to specify various system properties:

- Fail-safe operation modes
- Updateability, Phases of update process
- Services of legacy system and cloud-edge extension
- Functional, quantitative and contextual requirements

→ Contracts allow **to decouple** the design and structure the design process
→ decomposition of **components, context and safety arguments**

→ (Semi-formal) contracts can **capture & relate multiple dimensions** of requirements
→ better **traceable, processable & analyzable**

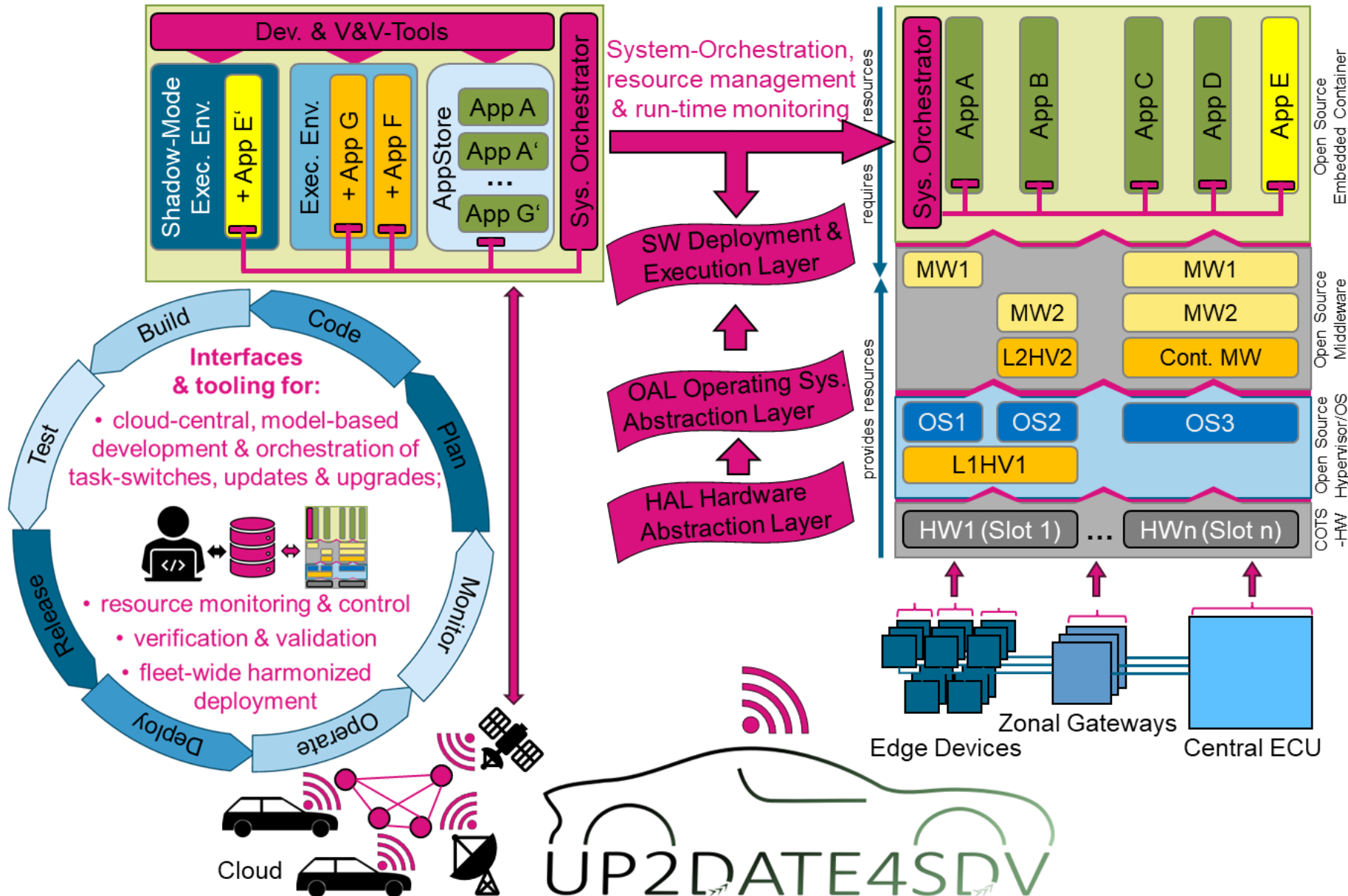
Contracts Linking System Design and Safety Argumentation



Methods and tools for DevOps:

- specifying multi-dimensional (semi-formal) contracts
- managing their evolution
- linking contracts to assurance evidence

Current Work



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CBD

- supports horizontal and vertical compositional reasoning
→ key enabler for hierarchical designs and design-processes

4SDV we want to further develop

- developer-friendly domain-specific syntax & semantics
- domain specific tailoring of theories & tools for industrial applications
- multidimensional links between all (evolutionary) phases of the DevOps-cycle
- tools for the specification, tracing, management, and monitoring of contracts
- blueprints for the application in modular safe & secure E/E-architectures

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QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

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Contract-Based Compatibility (Modularity)

Compatibility is:

- based on components & composition
- a relation between components

Def: Components are compatible, if they

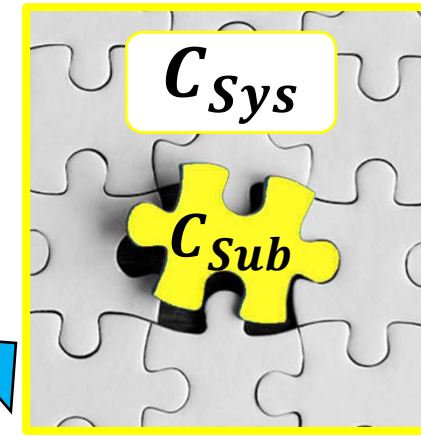
1. don't harm each other and
2. cooperate (interact) as intended



Components don't harm each other iff:

- a component's assumptions are not violated by its environment
- the component's guarantees don't lead to violated assumptions within its environment

→ Check satisfaction between assumptions and (composed) guarantees

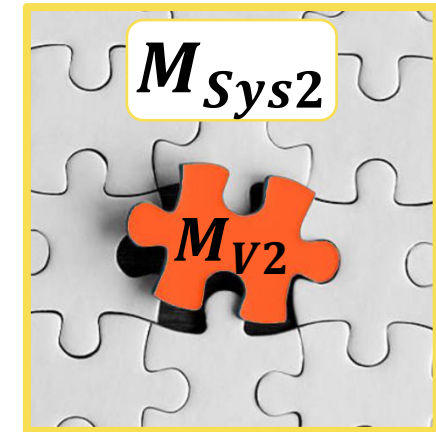


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changing a component means
→
changing the system



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