



# A harden Embedded Linux

A graphic for Automotive Grade Linux (AGL) featuring a green wireframe car silhouette and binary code. The text 'Automotive Grade Linux (AGL)' is prominently displayed in white.

## **Automotive Grade Linux (AGL)**

A Linux Foundation project dedicated to creating open source software solutions for automotive applications.

Applicable to any Industrial IoT Linux

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# Top 25 Git Committers in 2016

Commits	Name	Company
533	Jose Bollo	IoT.BZH
166	NuoHan Qiao	Fujitsu Ten
146	Jan-Simon Moeller	Linux Foundation
102	Stephane Desneux	IoT.BZH
92	Jens Bocklage	Mentor Graphics
86	Tasuku Suzuki	Qt Company
85	Manuel Bachmann	IoT.BZH
70	Yannick Gicquel	IoT.BZH
64	Ran Cao	Fujitsu Ten
57	Tadao Tanikawa	Panasonic
55	Fulup Ar Foll	IoT.BZH
42	Leon Anavi	Konsulko

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40	Anton Gerasimov	Advanced Telematics
35	Yanhua GU	Fujitsu Ten
22	Christian Gromm	Microchip
21	Ronan	IoT.BZH
20	SriMaldia	Alps
18	Naoto Yamaguchi	AisinAW
15	Karthik Ramanan	TI
13	Scott Murray	Konsulko
11	Kotaro Hashimoto	Mitsubishi Electric
9	Matt Porter	Konsulko
8	Dominig Ar Foll	Intel
8	Yuta Doi	Witz
8	Jian Zhang	Fujitsu Ten

1791 Total Commits  
45 Committers  
24 Companies

- 01 Jan 2016 – 31 Dec 2016
- Commits to master

# A Linux for Automotive ?

- **Embedded Yocto built**
- Strong interaction with Sensors
- Non Desktop UI
- Dedicated Entry buttons
- MultipleScreens enabled
- **Managed device**
- Any fault will be blamed on system provider
- Applications are gated by system provider
- Long life support
- No admin system to rely on
- ...





# From Auto to Industry

## ➤ Features

- Speed, position, sensors
- Dedicated UI
- Dedicated Entry buttons
- Multimedia features
- Emergency phone service
- Remote Diagnostic

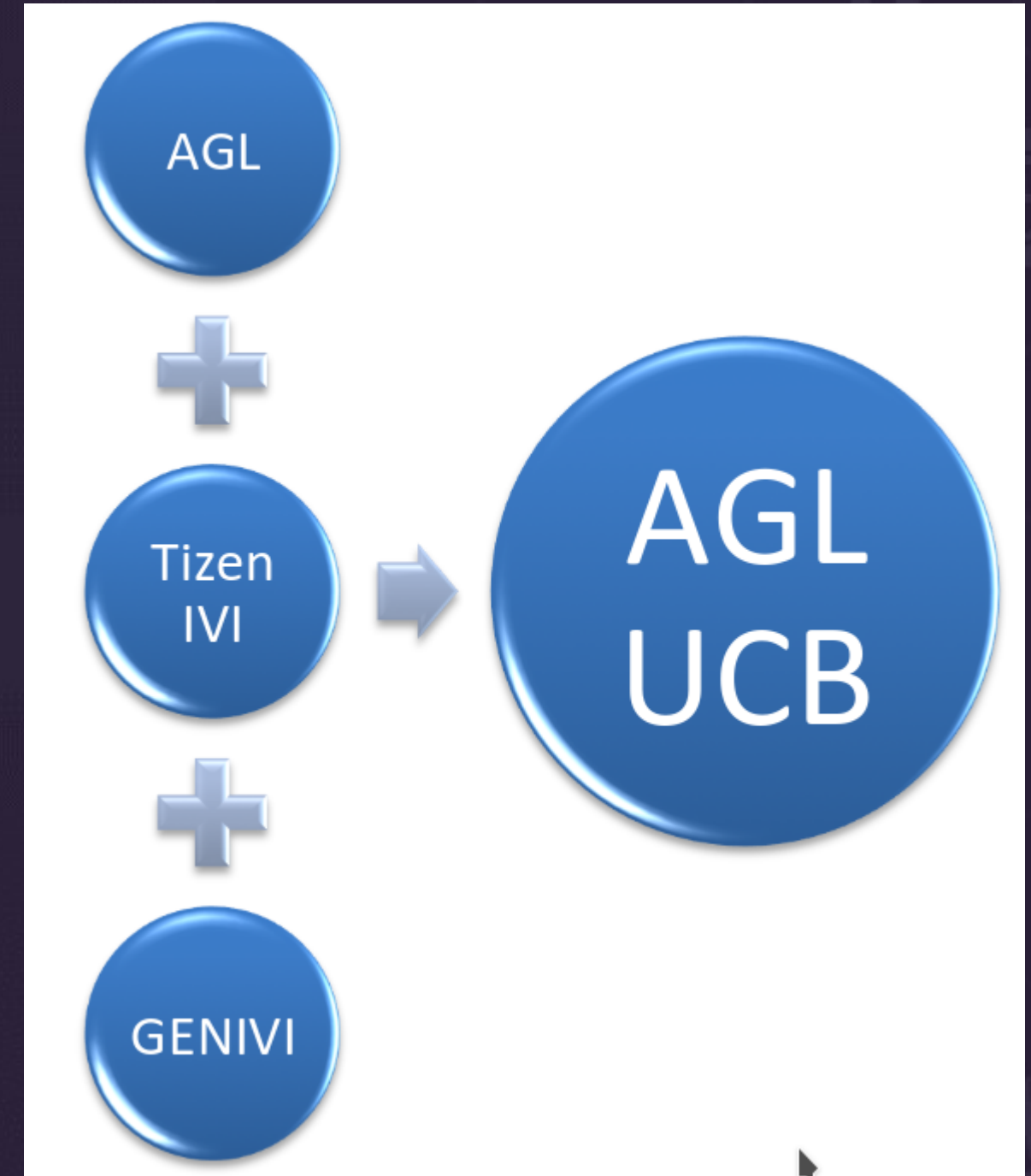
## ➤ Implementation

- Embedded Linux with dedicated UI
- Connectivity
- 100% remote support operation
- Very reliable



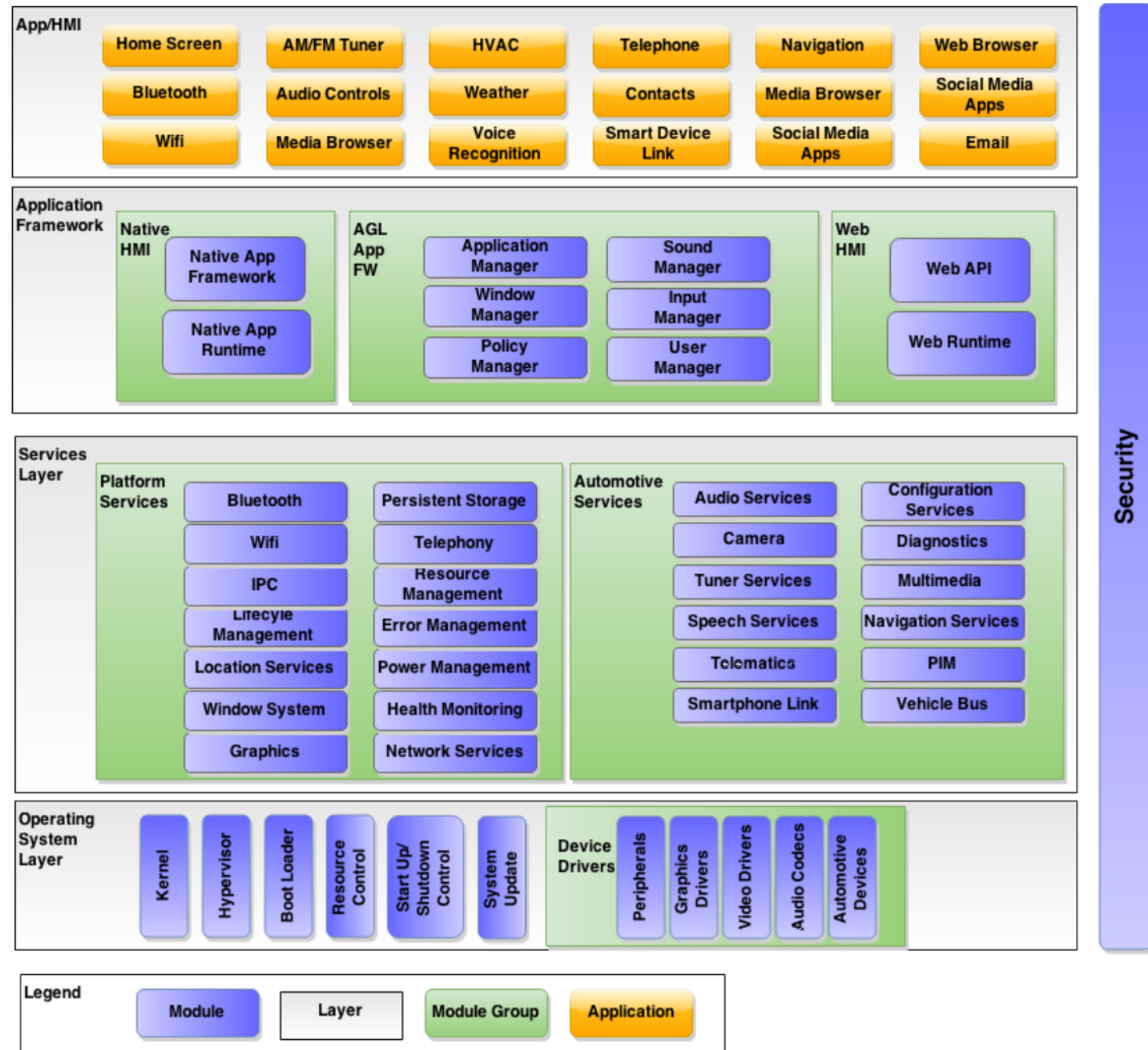
# What is AGL (Jan 17)

- **Focus on the core OS**
  - Yocto 2.2
  - Linux 4.4 or 4.8
  - Security model from Tizen
  - Standard Layer for BSP
  - Source sync via repo tool
  - Ready made Docker SDK
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- **App and Middleware**
  - Isolated from the Core OS
  - AppFW enforced security
  - No default UI





# AGL Architecture



# Service isolation



## Run services with UID<>0 SystemD is your friend

- Create dedicated UID per service
- Use Linux MAC and Smack DAC to minimise open Access

## Drop privileges

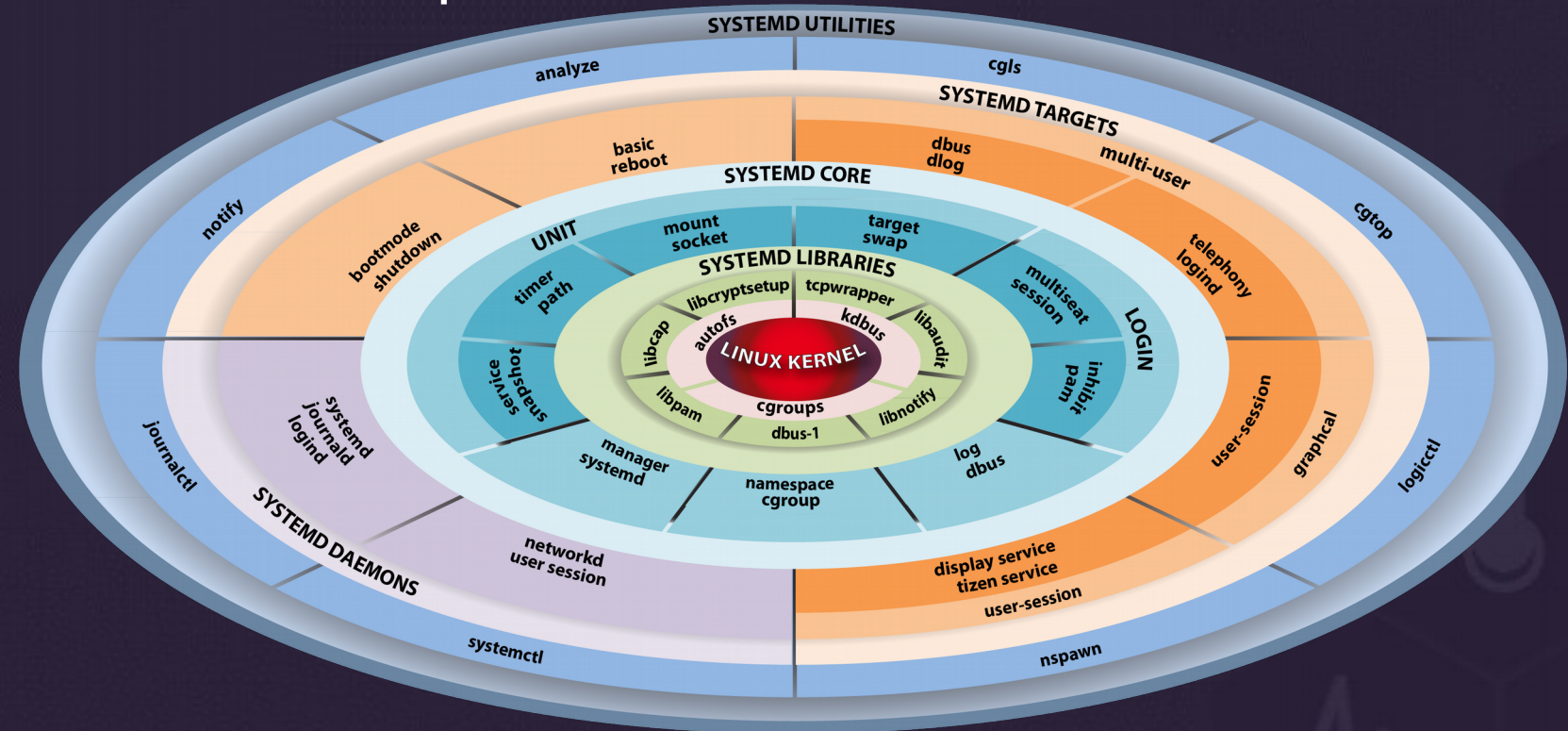
- Posix privileges
- MAC privileges

## C-goups

- Reduce offending power
- RAM/CPU/IO

## Name Space

- Limit access to private data
- Limit access to connectivity



<https://www.kernel.org/doc/Documentation/cgroups/cgroups.txt>

<https://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/libs/security/linux-privs/kernel-2.2/capfaq-0.2.txt>

<http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man7/namespaces.7.html>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandatory\\_access\\_control](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mandatory_access_control)

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# Segregate Apps from OS

## ➤ Application Manager

- One system daemon for application live cycle installs, update, delete
- One user daemon per user for application start, stop, pause, resume
- Create initial share secret between UI and Binder
- Spawn and controls application processes: binder, UI, ...

## ➤ Security Manager

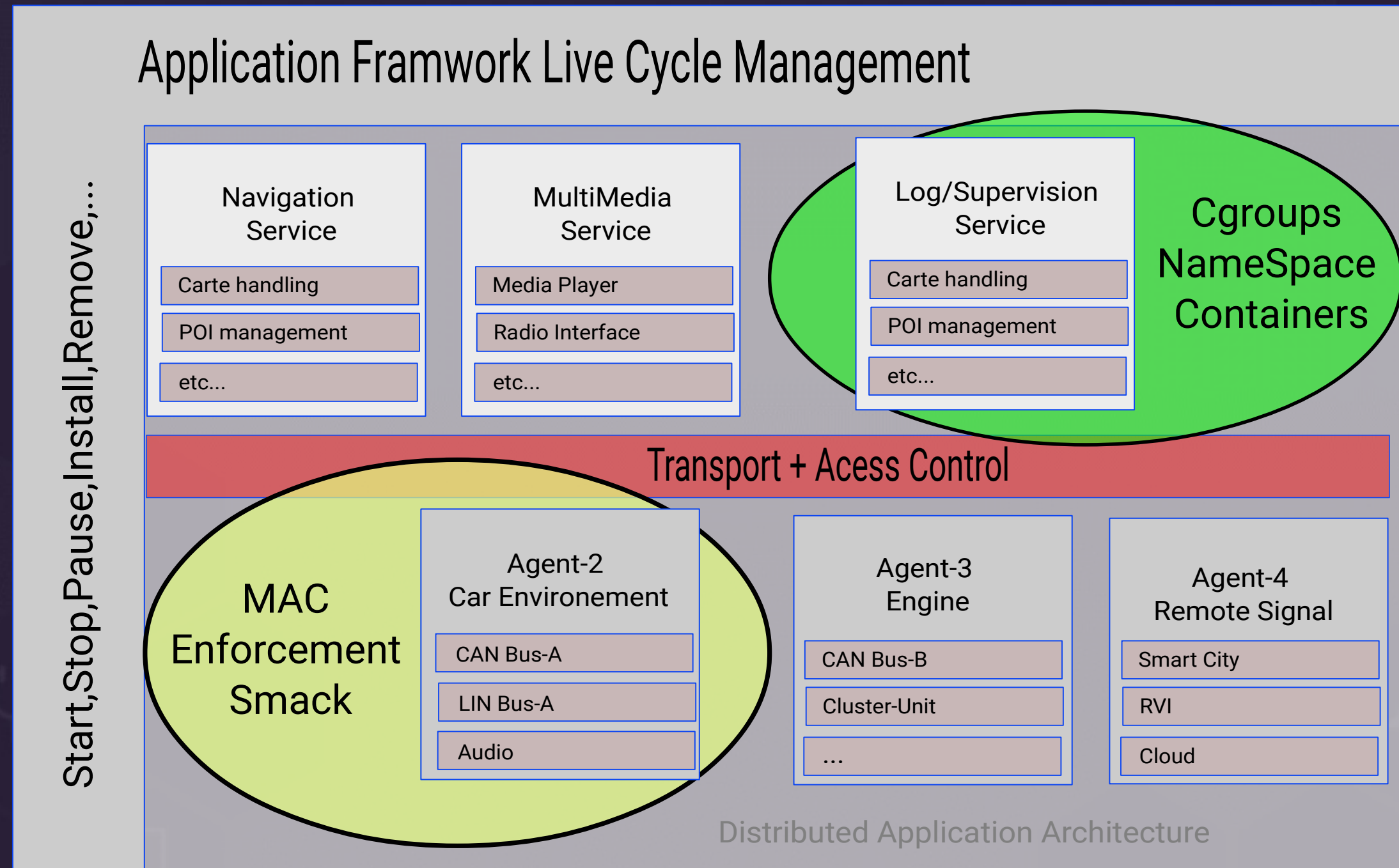
- Responsible of privilege enforcement
- Based on Cynara + WebSocket and D-Bus for Legacy)

## ➤ Application & Services Binders

- Expose platform APIs to UI, Services, Applications
- Loads services/application plugins :Audio, Canbus, Media Server...
- One private binder per application/services [REST, WebSocket, Dbus]
- Authenticate UI by oAuth token type
- Secured by SMACK label + UID/GIDs
- AppBinders runs under user \$HOME

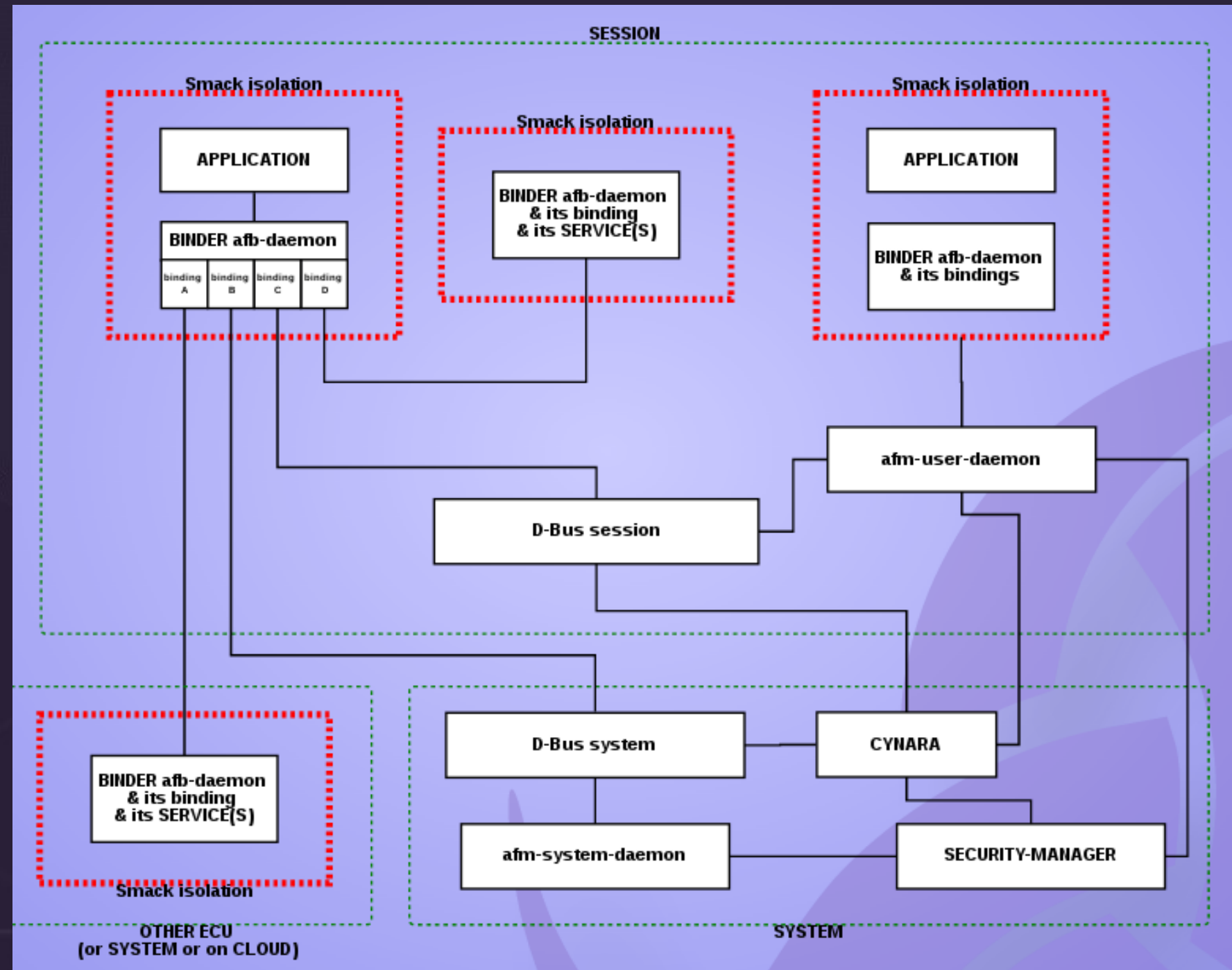


# AGL2 Application Security

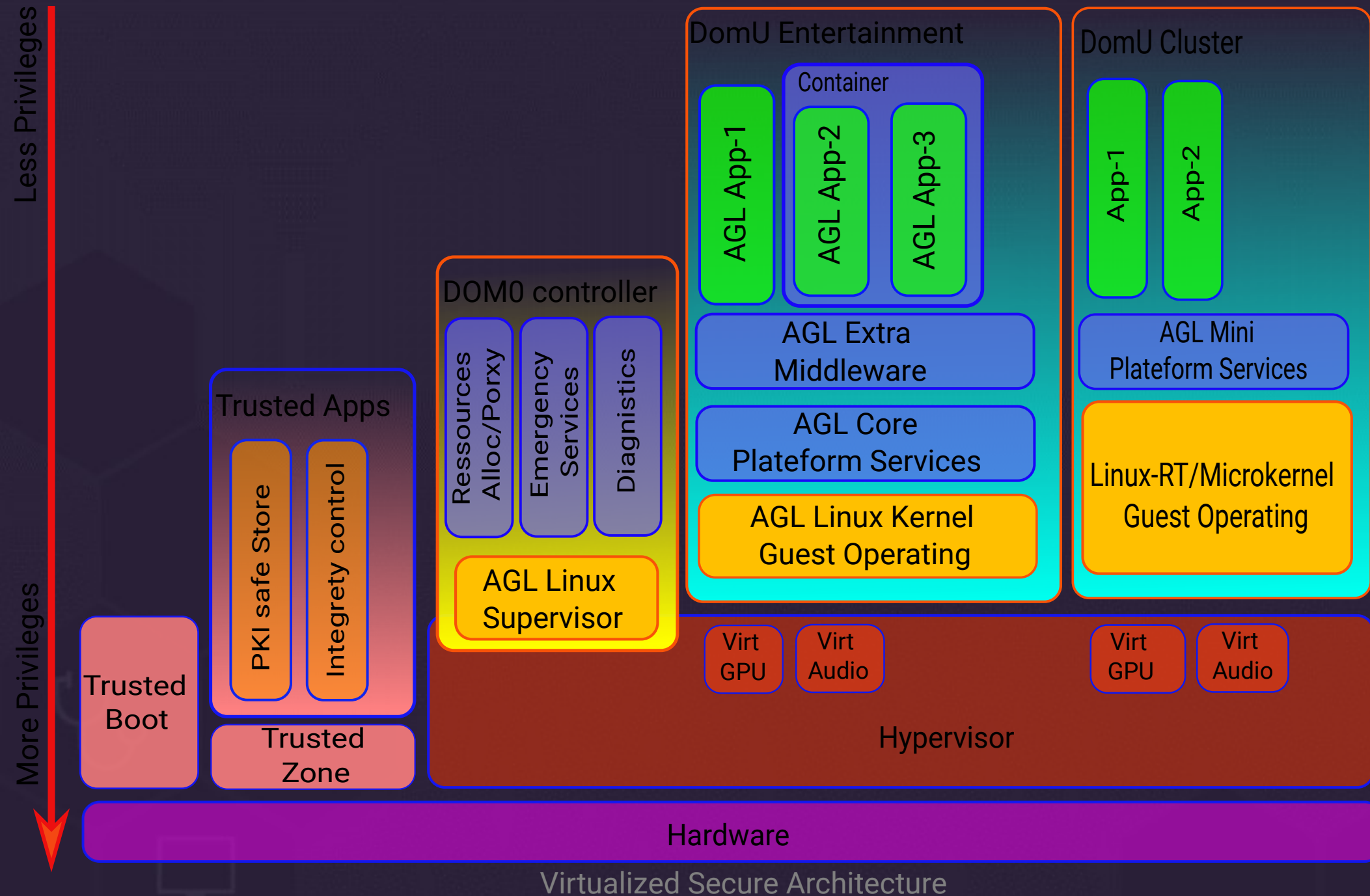




# AGL2 AppFW logic



# AGL2++ Virtualised Architecture





# Building the OS

## ➤ **Collection of Yocto Layers**

- Multi-Architecture (Intel, ARM)
- Multiple Haker Board support (Minnow, Joule, R3, RaspberryPI 3).
- Hardening by design
- Critical services provided
- Design for custom additions

## ➤ **No imposed UI**

- Home Screen as an API
- Local (Native or HTML5) or remote UI (via REST API)

## ➤ **Application and Middleware**

- Built independently (via yocto SDK)
- Web Socket based AppFW for easy integration
- App and Middleware run in isolated security domains



# To write an App

## ➤ Write back-end binding

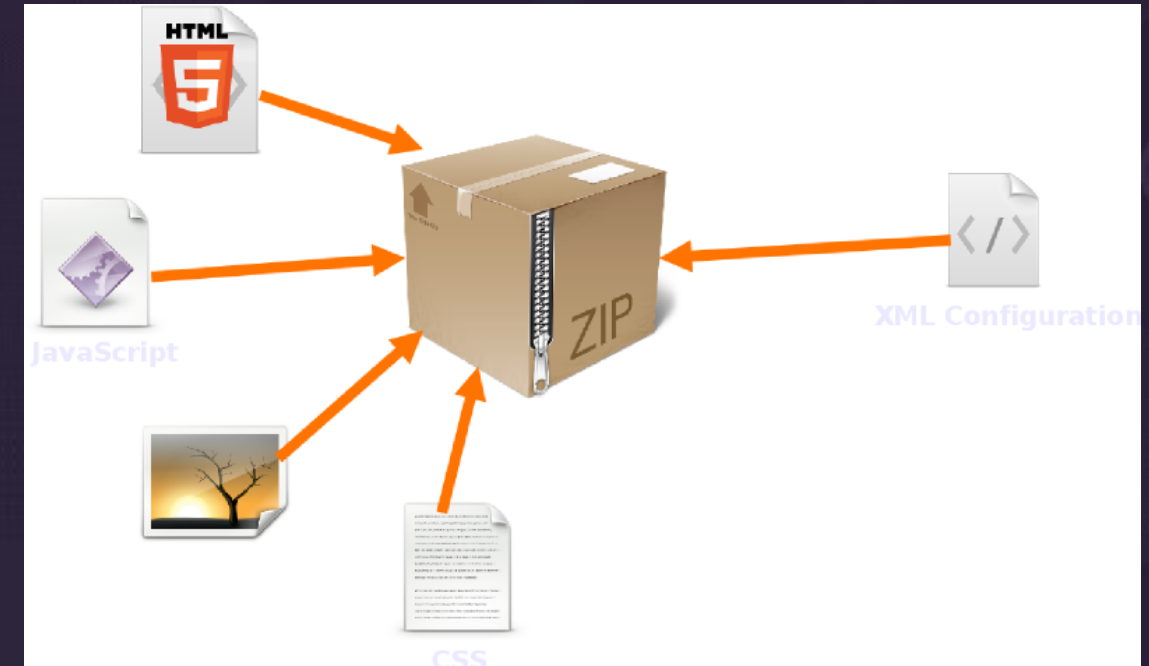
- Adds the specialised API to the system
- Accessible by Web Socket or slow legacy D-Bus
- Run in its own security domain
- Can be cascaded

## ➤ Write the Front end

- Typically in HTML5, QML but open to any
- Connect to back-end binding using REST with secured key (OAuth2)
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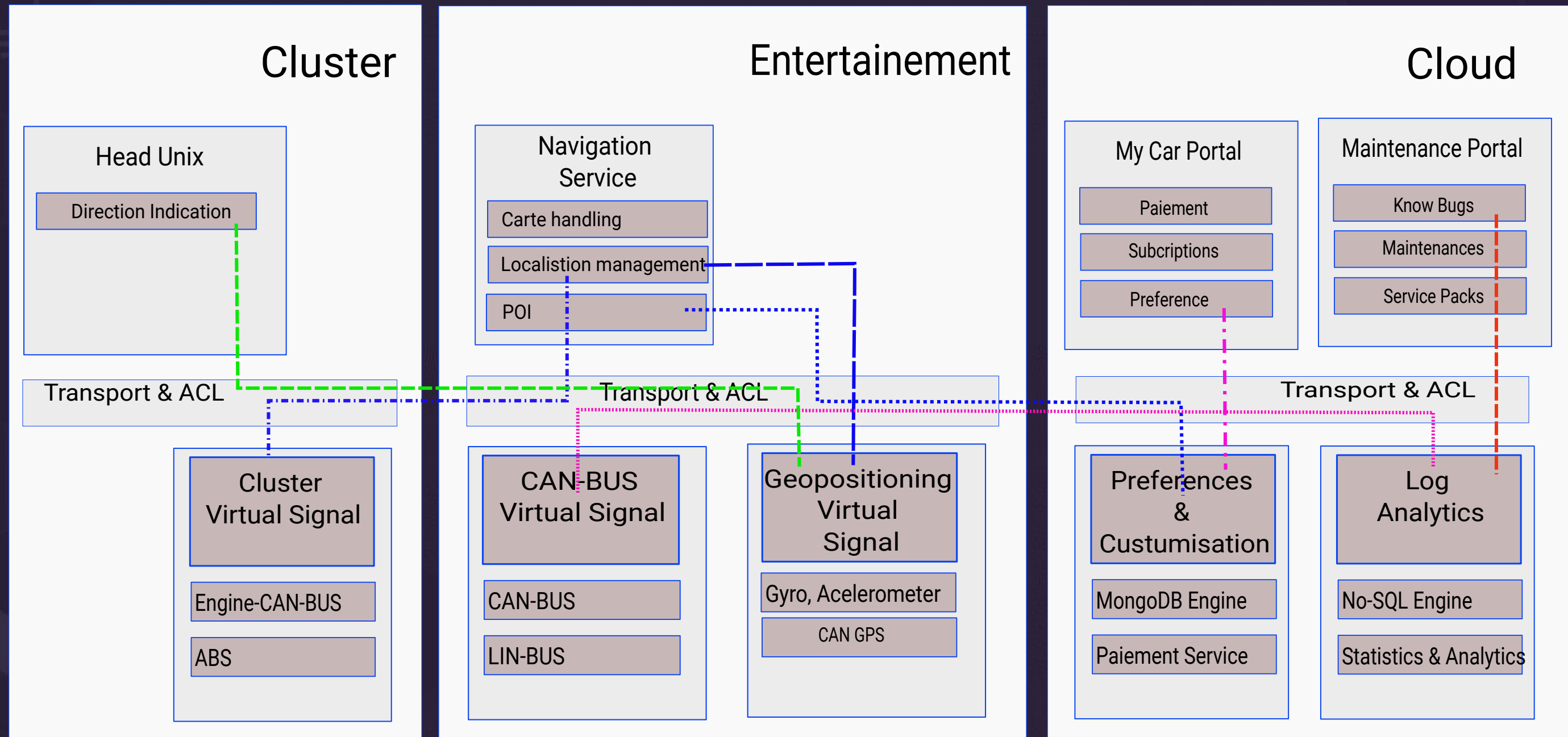
## ➤ Package

- Based on W3C widget
- Feature allow to handle AGL specificities
- Install via the AppFW





# AGL2+ Distributed Architecture



# Attacking IoT, a viable business

- **Ransom model**
  - Stall manufacturing
  - Immobilise expensive items (e.g. your car)
  - ...
- **Competitive advantage**
  - Collecting R&D, manufacturing data
  - Disturbing production line
- **Indirect**
  - Cheap robot for DDoS
  - Easy entry point



# Security fundamentals

- Minimise surface of attack
- Control the code which is run
- Provide a bullet proof update model
- Track security patches
- Use HW security helpers when available
- Limit lateral movement in the system
- Develop and QA with security turned on
- Do not rely on human but on platform and tools



***Security cannot be added after the fact***

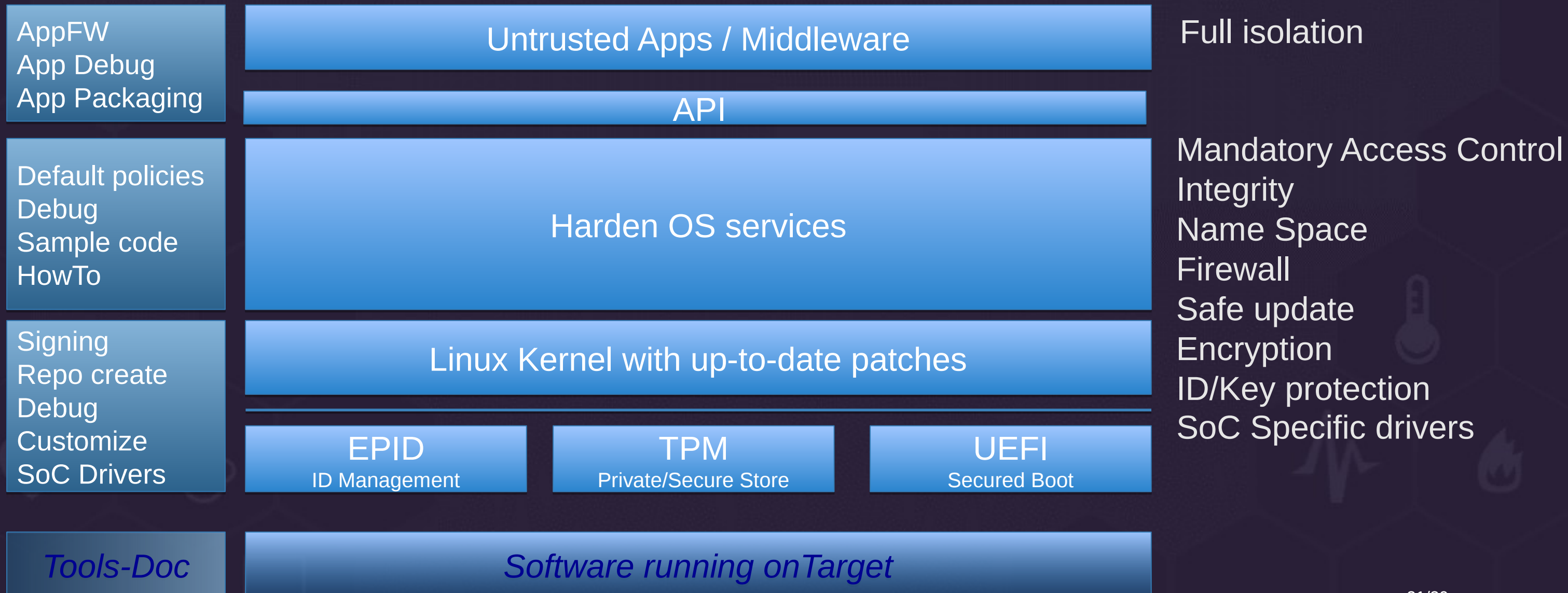


# Do not rely on human

- **Security experts are out of reach**
  - 9M Mobile Developers
  - 8M Web Developers
  - 0.5M Embedded Developers
  - How many Embedded Security Developers ?
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- **Human are unreliable**
  - We do not have the time now
  - Oups, it's too late to change it
  - No one is interested by our system
  - We are too small
  - ...



# Concepts are Known but what about implementation?



# Conclusion

## ➤ **AGL is Industry friendly**

- Automotive have very generic requirements
- Reuse potential is huge
- AGL is really open source
- In AGL code remains king

## ➤ **Security ready model**

- Hardening comes for free
- Cybersecurity is a permanent focus

## ➤ **Application and Middleware are isolated**

- AppFW is designed to connect modules via WebSockets
- Business logic and UI are easy to isolate
- App and Middleware SW is based on well know Web technologies



The NIH syndrome (Not Invented Here) is a disease.

— *Linus Torvalds* —

AZ QUOTES



# Questions



An aerial photograph of a vast, deep blue lake, likely Lake Geneva, with numerous small islands and peninsulas. The islands are covered in green vegetation and some have small clusters of buildings. The water is a deep, clear blue, and the sky is a pale, clear blue. The overall scene is serene and scenic.

## Links

<https://www.automotivelinux.org/>

[https://gerrit.automotivelinux.org/gerrit/#/q/s](https://gerrit.automotivelinux.org/gerrit/#/q/status:open)

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# Backup slides



# Container "A mixed blessing"

## Easy to use

- Detach the App from the platform
- Integrated App management
- Well known

## Not very secure

- Unreliable introspection
- MAC has no power on the inside of a container
- Updating the platform does not update the middleware
- Beside the Kernel each App provide its own version of the OS
- Each App restart requires a full passing of credential
- RAM and Flash footprint are uncontrollable
- Far more secured with Clear Container but not applicable to low end SoC.

## Only I/O via network

- Well equipped for Rest API
- All other I/O requires driver level access or bespoke framework.



<https://www.opencontainers.org/>  
<https://lwn.net/Articles/644675/>

[illegible]

- # Know who/what you trust
- **Trusted Boot : a MUST Have Feature**
    - Leverage hardware capabilities
    - Small series & developer key handling
  - **Application Installation**
    - Verify integrity
    - Verify origin
    - Request User Consent [privacy & permissions]
  - **Update**
    - Only signed updates with a trusted origin
    - Secured updates on compromised devices are a no-go option
    - Factory reset built-in from a trusted zone
    - Do not let back doors opened via containers
    - Strict control of custom drivers [in kernel mode everything is possible]
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- A large blue hand icon, palm facing forward, composed of numerous small white icons. These icons represent various concepts related to technology, security, and user experience, such as a smartphone, a padlock, a heart, a question mark, a gear, a magnifying glass, a dollar sign, a smiley face, a skull, a plus sign, a minus sign, a star, a speech bubble, a lightbulb, a house, a clock, a leaf, and a flame.
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# Layered Architecture

## ➤ **Client/UI (untrusted)**

- Risk of code injection (HTML5/QML)
- UI on external devices (Mobiles, Tablets)
- Access to secure service APIs [REST/WS]

## ➤ **Applications & Services (semi-trusted)**

- Unknown developers & Multi-source
- High-grain protection by Linux DAC & MAC labels.
- Run under control of Application Framework: need to provide a security manifest

## ➤ **Platform & System services (trusted)**

- Message Services started by systemd
- Service and API fine grain privilege protection
- Part of baseline distribution and certified services only





# Bullet proof update and ID

## Update is the only possible correction

- Must run safely on compromised devices
- Cannot assume a know starting point

## Compromised ID / keys has no return

- Per device unique ID
- Per device symmetric keys
- **Use HW ID protection (e.g. EPID)**

## Non reproducibility

- Breaking in one device cannot be extended
- Development I/O are disabled
- Root password is unique (or better a key)
- Password cannot be easily recalculated



# Security Check list



## Control which code you run

- Secure boot
- Integrity
- Secure update

## Isolate services

- Drop root when possible
- Drop privileges

## Isolate Apps

- Apps are not the OS
- Enforce – restrict access to standard API

## Identity

- Enforce identity unicity
- Use available HW protection

## Encryption

- Network traffic
- Local storage

## Control image creation

- No debug tool in production
- No default root password
- No unrequired open port

## Continuous integration

- Automate static analysis
- QA on secured image

## Help developer

- Integrate security in Devel image
- Provide clear guide line
- Isolate Apps from OS
- Focus on standardised Middleware