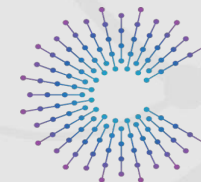


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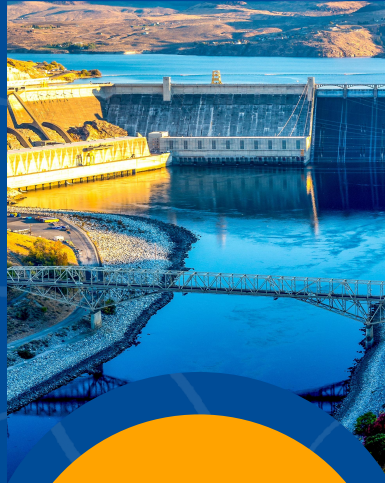
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Accelerating the future of connected vehicles



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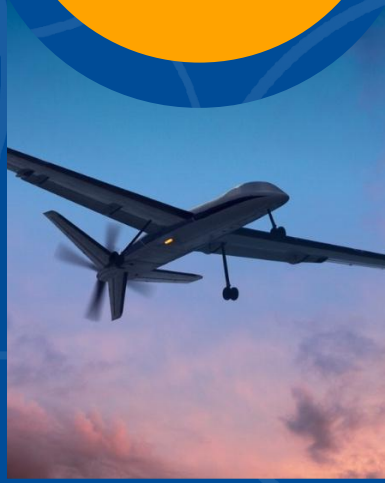
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**20+**  
industry standards

NUMBER  
**ONE**  
SOFTWARE FRAMEWORK  
FOR AUTONOMY

**750+**  
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# Enabling Interoperability through a Rich Automotive Ecosystem

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# The Software-defined Vehicle

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Opportunities, Challenges and New Architectures

# Opportunities in Software-defined Vehicle

## Continuous innovation

- The vehicle development does not end at SoP
- Several functionalities can be added once the vehicles are on the street including advanced functionalities such as ADAS

## Severe **cost saving** given the new architectures

- Weight and Cost - EE architectures represents 3rd heaviest part of the vehicle
- Software providing most of the value

## Business models opening to new opportunities

- New revenue streams

## Competition

- Electric cars have drastically lowered the entry barrier
- MaaS is changing the relationship with the customers



# Challenges in Traditional Vehicle Architecture

**Scalability** - Exponential system complexity

**Standardization** – Minimal Reusability between brands in architectural signals and datamodels

**Cost, Liability and Warranty**- The SBOMs are not yet standardized and broadly adopted as the case of Hardware

**Security** - Managing the path to Safety and Cybersecurity

**ADAS** - Building L2+ Sustainable Development

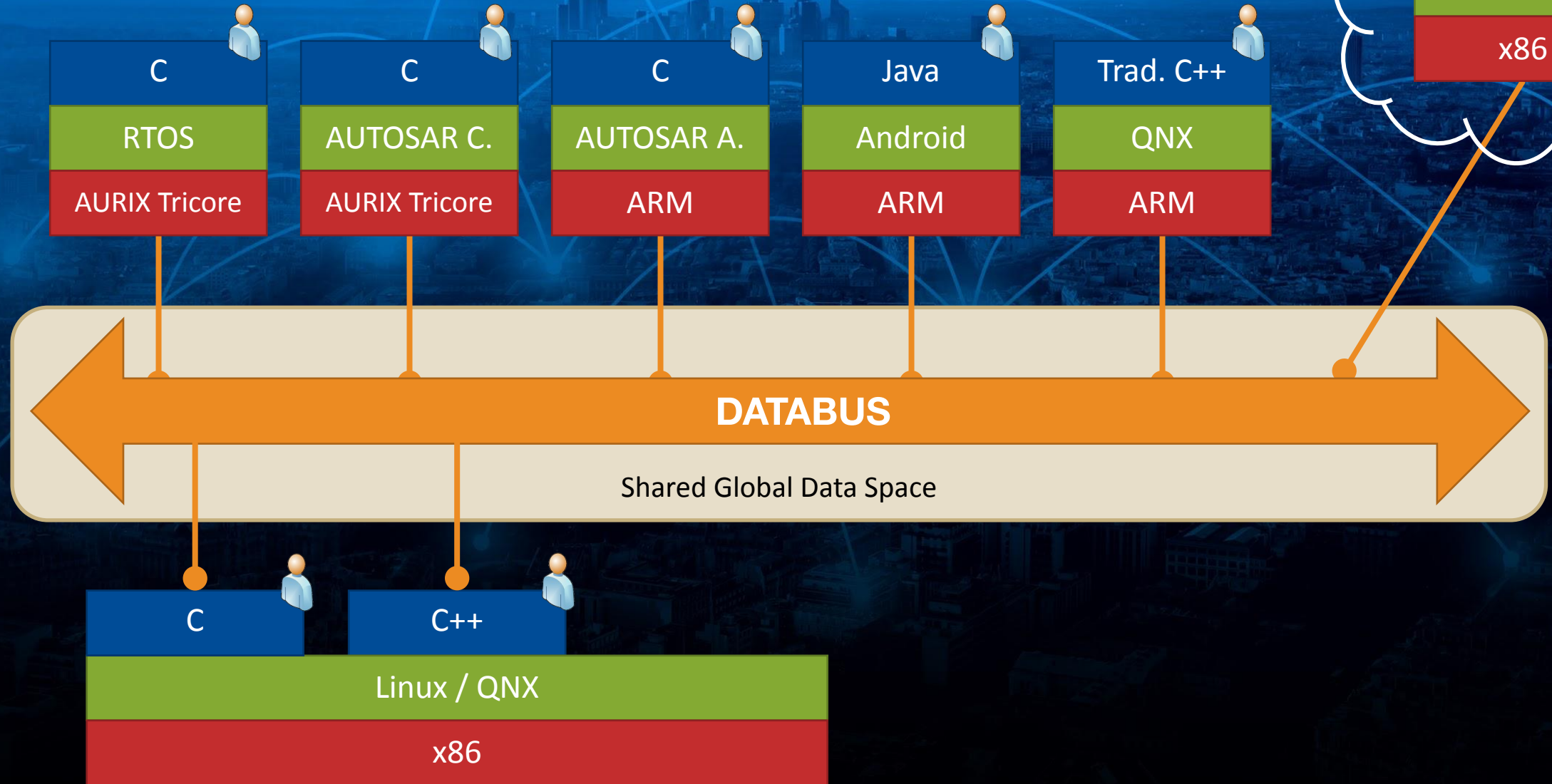
**Updates** - Continuous development and systems updates



# Software-defined Vehicle Architectures

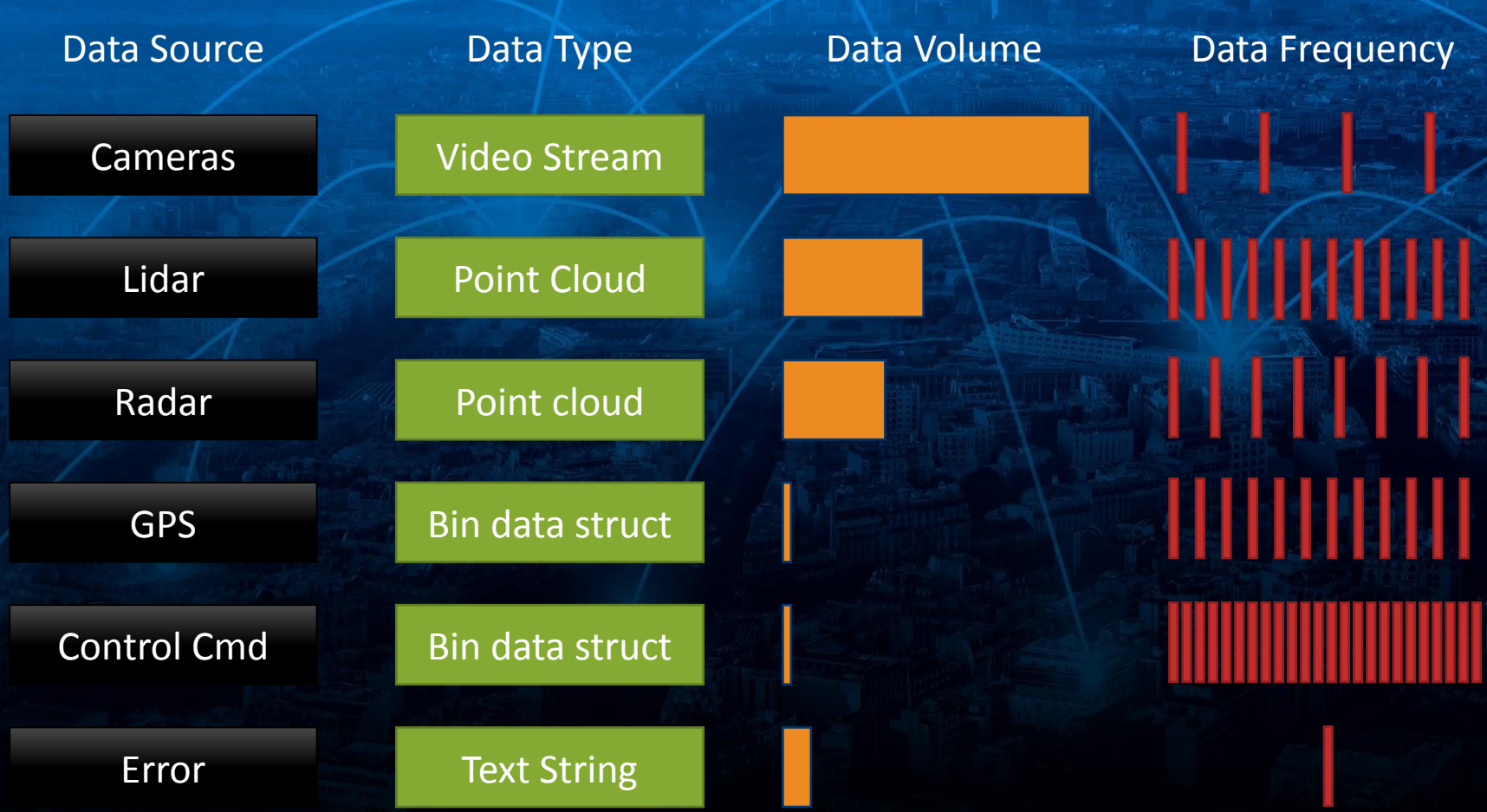


# Decoupled from the platform





# Standardized



• Many different dataflows

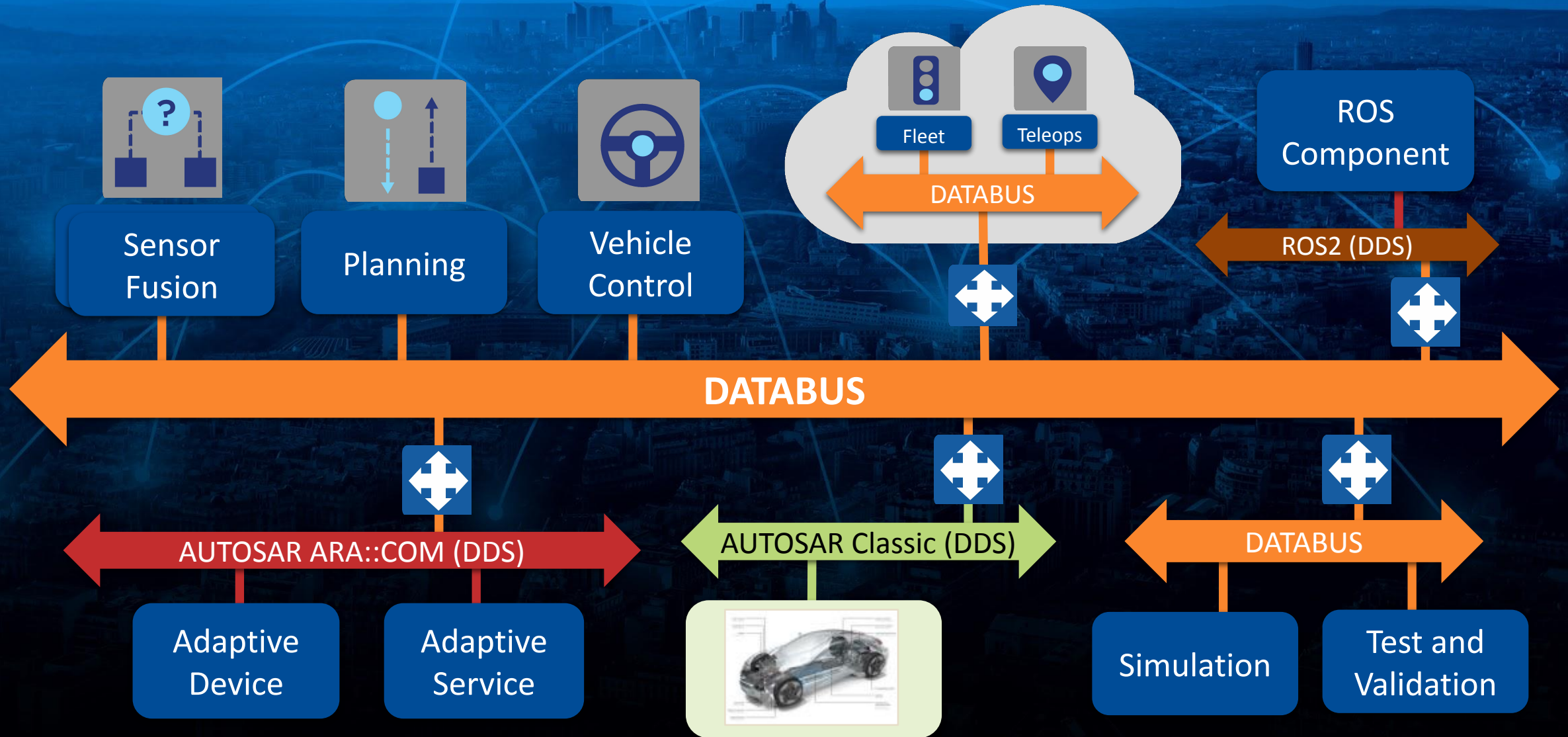
- Volume
- Frequency
- Latency
- Reliability
- Destination

• Multiple hardware and software solutions

- IPC
- Shared Memory
- UDP
- Middleware

What if you could use a **common standard** for all your data models?

# Future Proof



# Why COVESA VSS?

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Benefits of COVESA VSS

# Benefits of COVESA VSS

**Flexible Deployment**  
From in-vehicle, edge and to the cloud

**Interoperability**  
Secure cooperation with  
AUTOSAR and other  
standards

**Standardized Communication**  
Common approach for describing  
vehicle data

**Cost Driven**  
Focus on business value  
creation

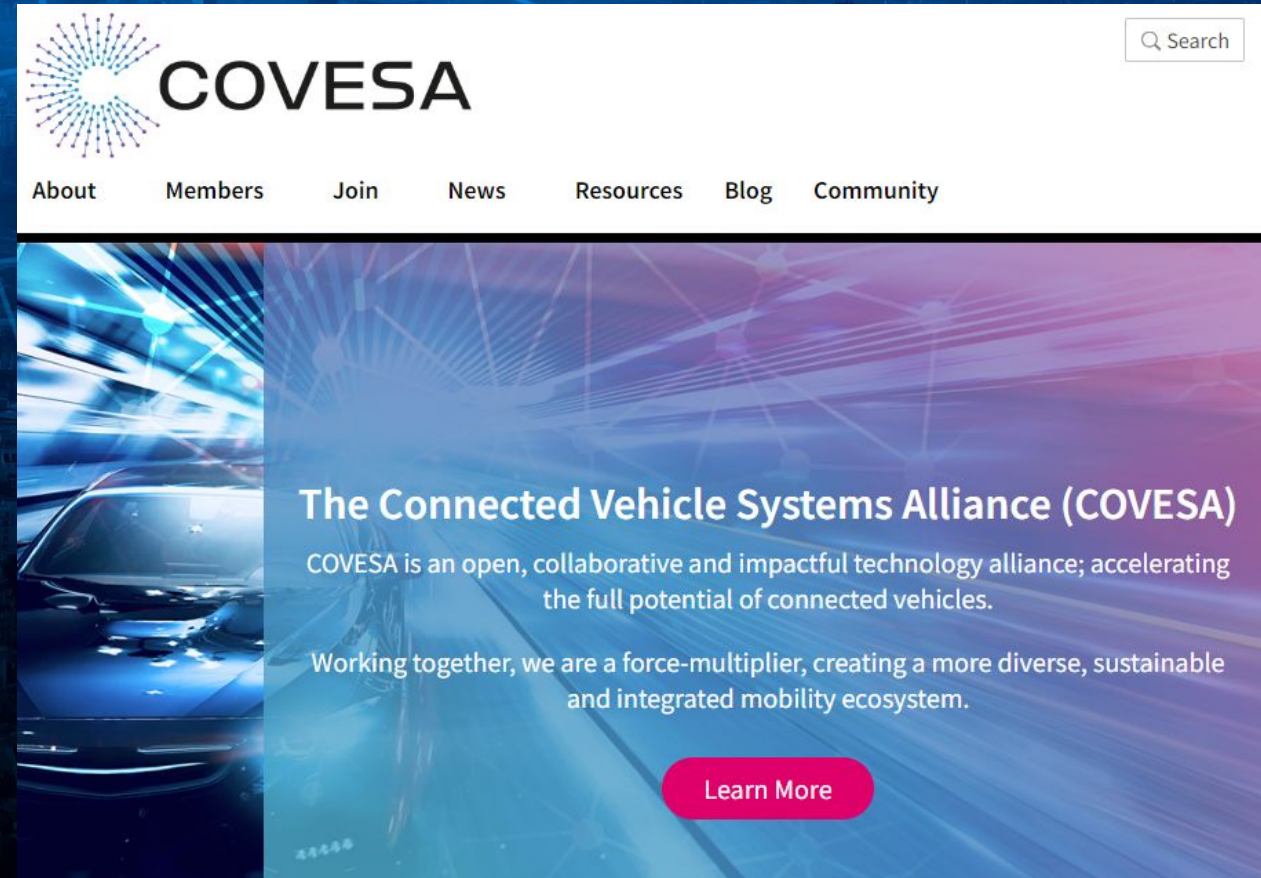
**Decoupled from Platform**  
Protocol Agnostic



# COVESA

RTI Involvement in:

- **Vehicle Signal Specification (VSS)**  
Convert VSS into structured IDL for common DDS use
- **AUTOSAR Interoperability**  
Bridging VSS to AUTOSAR
- **Digital.auto**  
Accelerating Vehicle Prototyping



The screenshot shows the COVESA website homepage. At the top left is the COVESA logo, a stylized sunburst icon. To its right is the text "COVESA". In the top right corner, there is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text "Search". Below the logo and search bar is a navigation menu with the following items: "About", "Members", "Join", "News", "Resources", "Blog", and "Community". The main content area features a large, abstract image of a car with glowing blue and purple lines representing data or connectivity. Overlaid on this image is the text: "The Connected Vehicle Systems Alliance (COVESA)", "COVESA is an open, collaborative and impactful technology alliance; accelerating the full potential of connected vehicles.", and "Working together, we are a force-multiplier, creating a more diverse, sustainable and integrated mobility ecosystem." At the bottom right of this section is a red button with the text "Learn More".

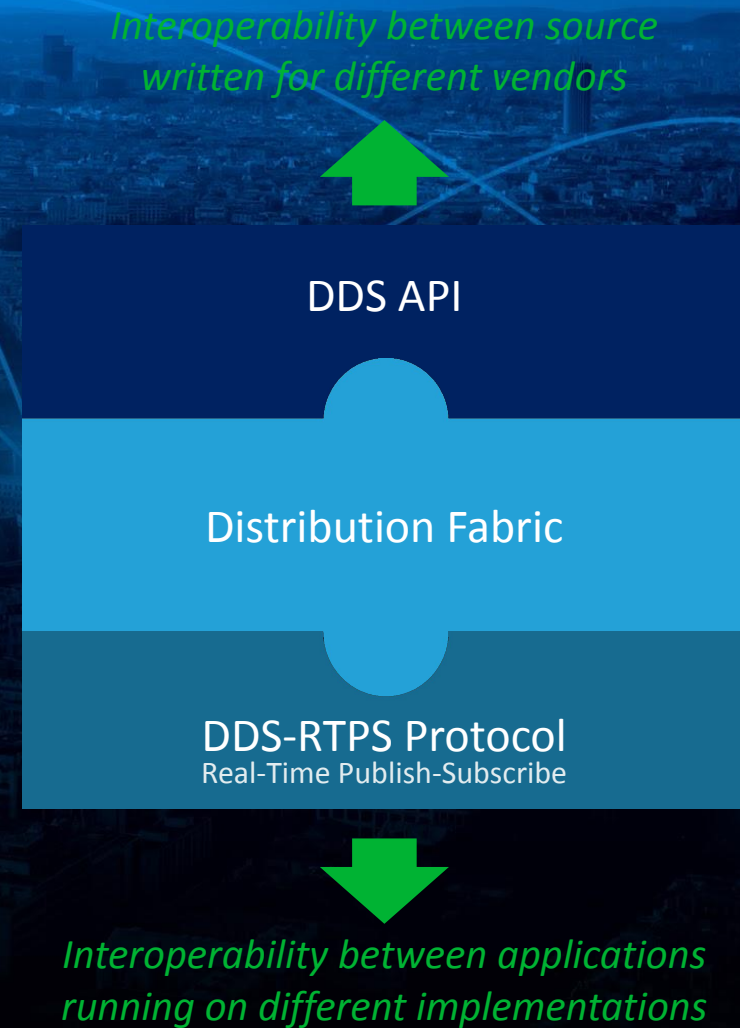
# Why Connex Drive? Why DDS?

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Benefits of COVESA VSS

# The DDS Standard

- DDS is the Proven Data Connectivity Standard for the IoT
- OMG: world's largest systems software standards org
  - UML, DDS, Industrial Internet Consortium
- DDS: open and cross-vendor
  - Open Standard and Open Source
  - 12+ implementations



# Why DDS ?

## Data-centric

Naturally modular

Naturally scalable

## Resiliency

High reliability

Maximum up-time

## Performance

Minimum latency

Maximum throughput

## Faster development

SOA-like architecture

Code re-use

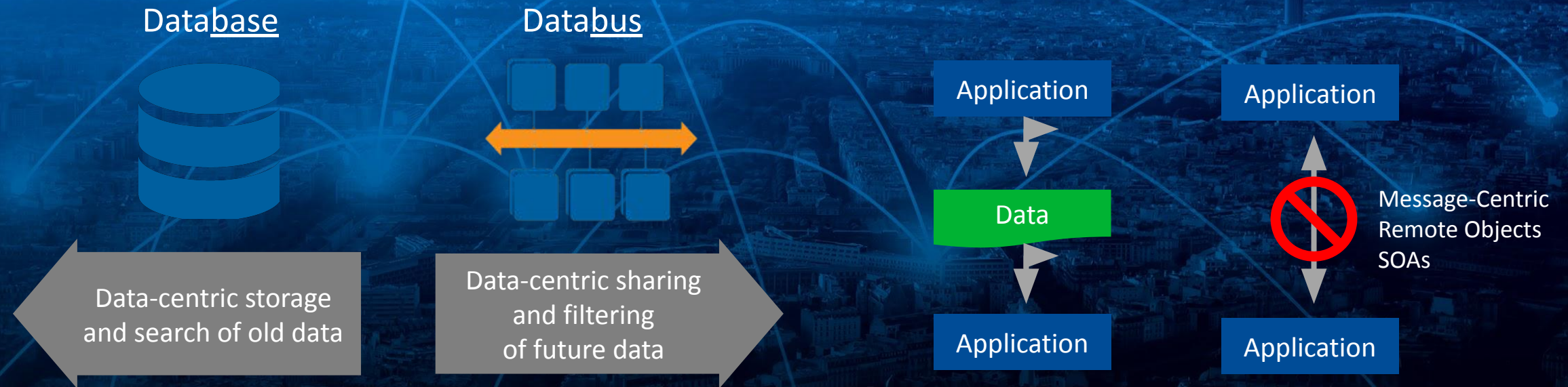
## Standards based

No vendor lock-in

Future proof

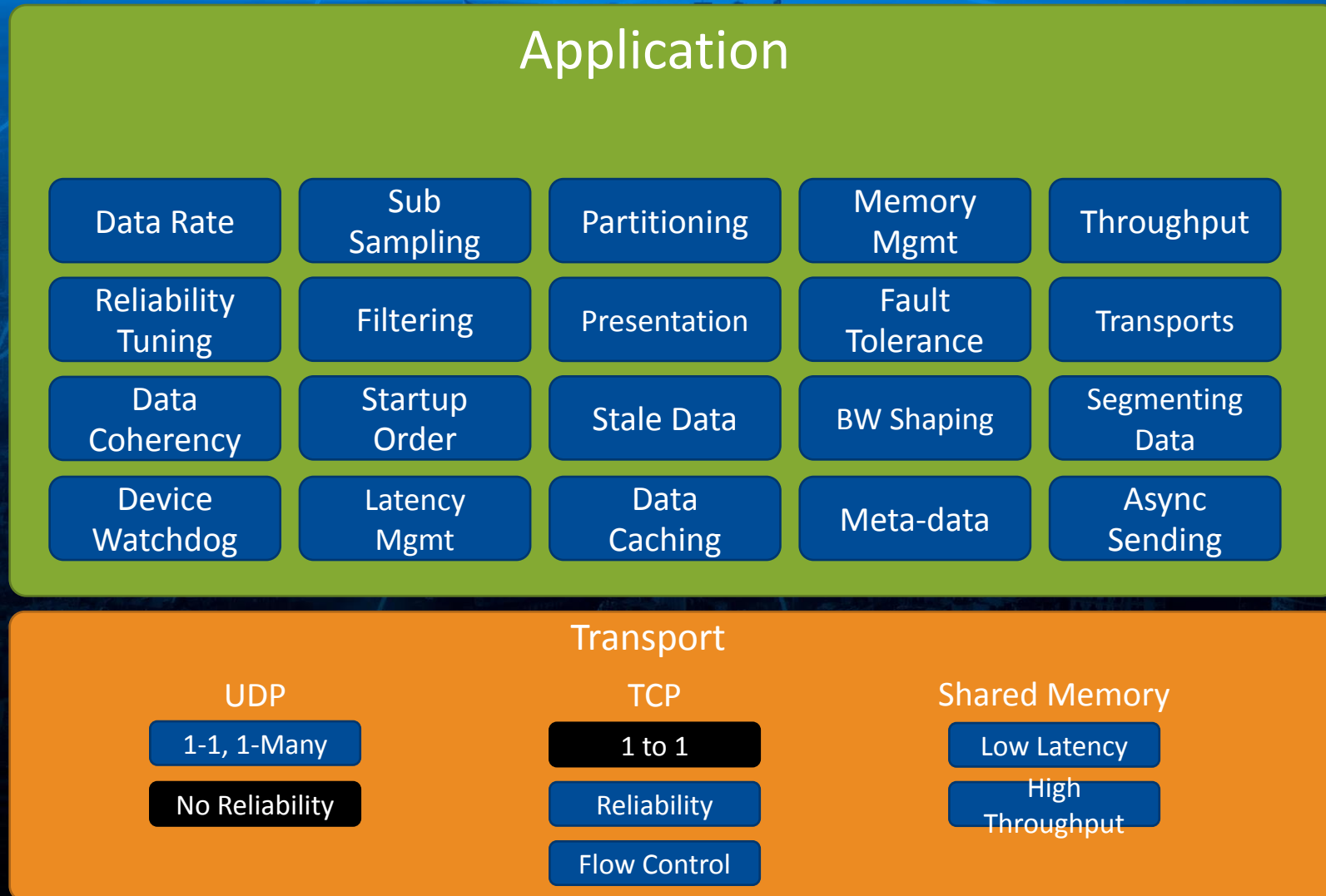


# Data-Centric Architectures

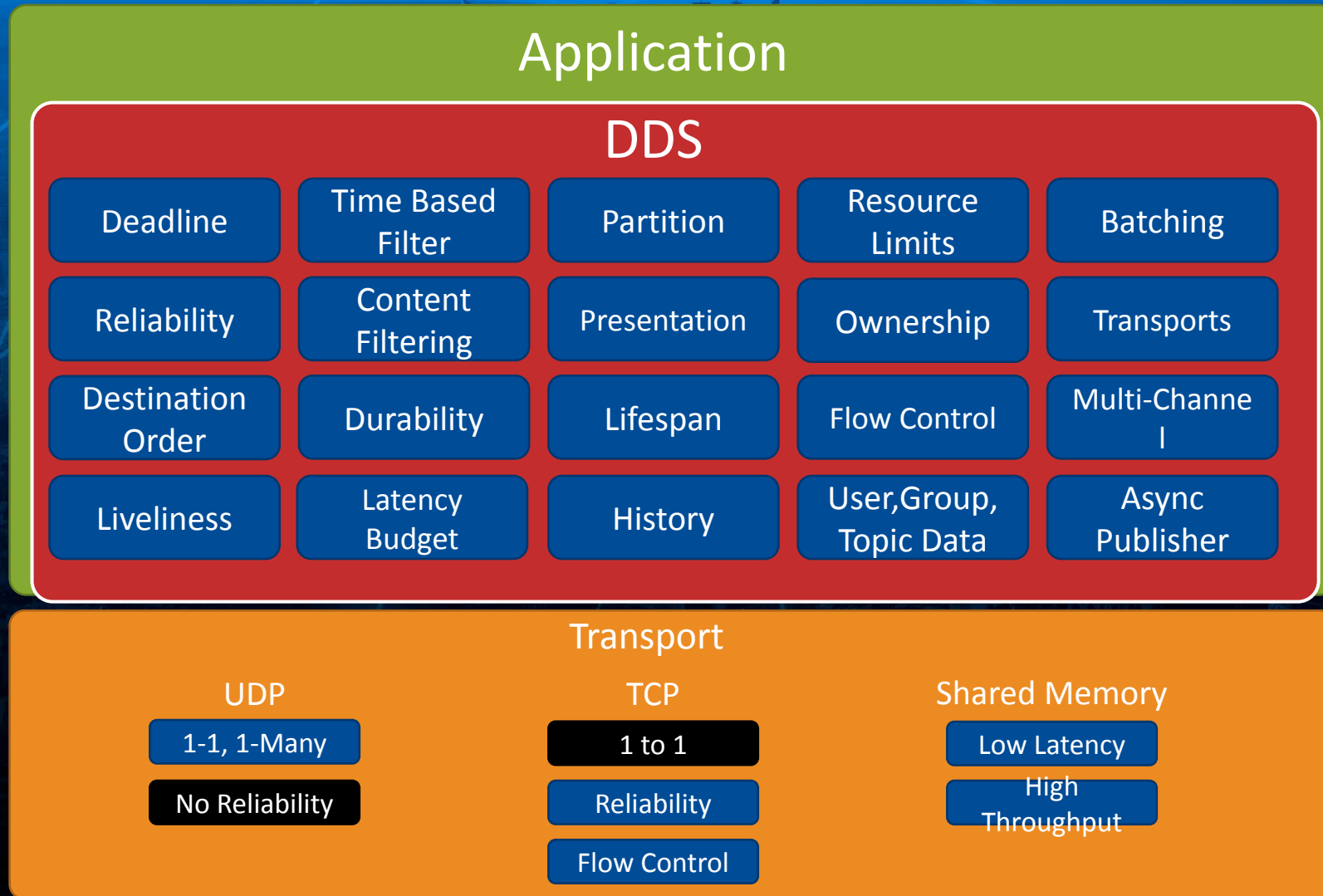


- Data Centricity Definition:
  - The interface is the data
  - The infrastructure understands that data
  - The system manages the data and imposes rules on how applications exchange data

# Common Distributed Application Challenges

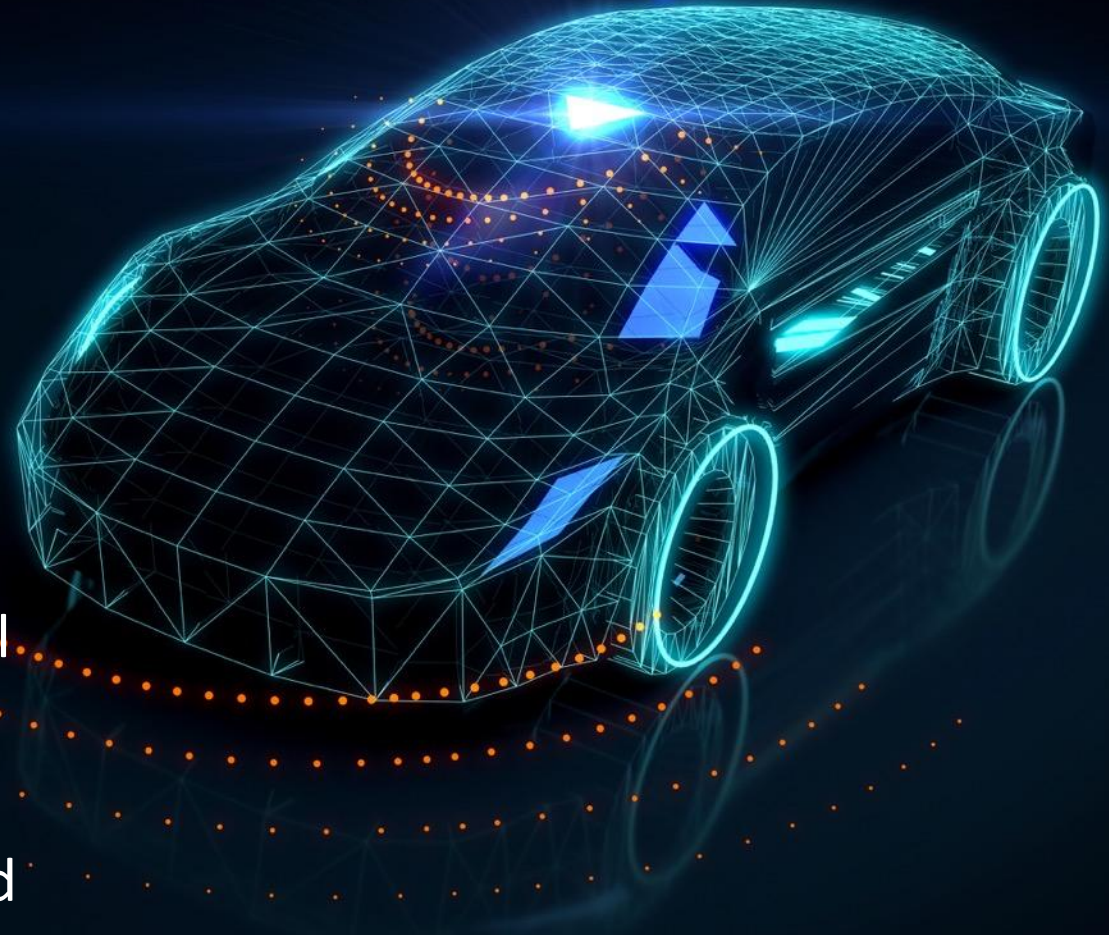


# Quality of Service: DDS

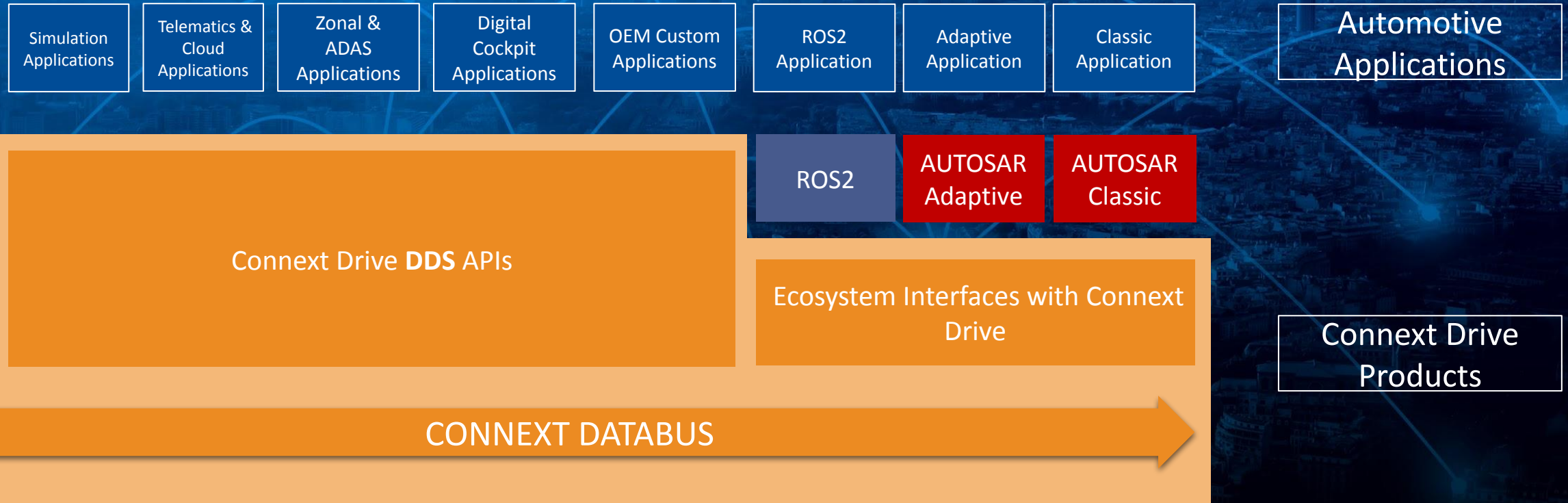


# Connex Drive<sup>®</sup>

- Automotive-grade software framework to develop communication networks for the Software-defined vehicle (SdV)
- Based on DDS (Data Distribution Service) Standard
- Complete ECU to Cloud Framework
- Future Proof, data-centric architecture will support industry evolution towards fully autonomous driving
- Supports communication libraries certified for systems up to ISO 26262 ASIL D



# Connex Drive<sup>®</sup> Overview



- Code Generation
- Data Routing
- Data Persistence
- Data Queuing
- Recording & Replay
- System Administration
- System Introspection
- System Monitoring
- Database Integration
- Web Integration
- Spreadsheet Integration
- 3rd Party Integrations

Connex Drive  
Tools & Services

# COVESA VSS & DDS + Live Demo

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VSS leveraging from Data Centricity

# Data-Centricity

The data itself is the interface

```
module Vehicle {  
  module Cabin {  
    struct HVAC {  
      boolean IsRecirculationActive;  
      boolean IsFrontDefrosterActive;  
      boolean IsRearDefrosterActive;  
      boolean IsAirConditioningActive;  
      float AmbientAirTemperature;  
      uint8 PowerOptimizeLevel;  
    };  
  };  
};
```

Data-Centric Connectivity

+ Common Set of Data Types

= Interoperability

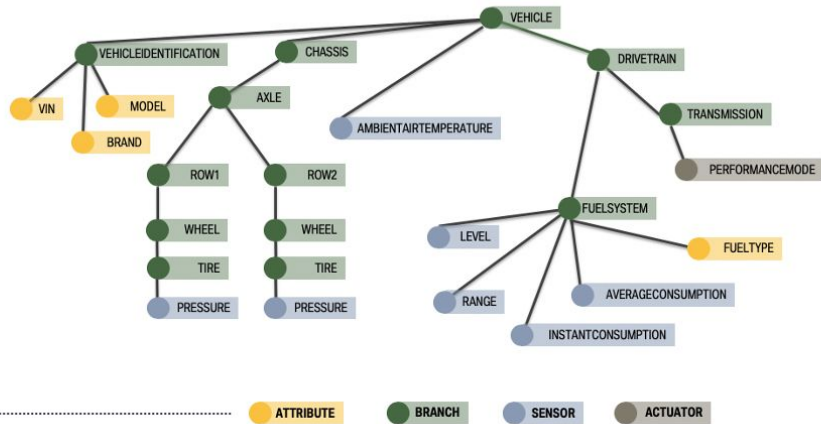
+ Multiple Suppliers

+ Expanding Ecosystem of Tools and Capabilities



All of these run on DDS

# COVESA VSS on Connex DDS



VSS-TO-OLS

```

module Vehicle {
  @nested
  struct Driver_v {
    float DistractionLevel;
    boolean IsEyesOnRoad;
    float AttentiveProbability;
    float FatigueLevel;
    uint16 HeartRate;
  };
  struct Driver : Vehicle::Base::KeyId {
    Driver_v value;
  };
  module Vehicle {
    @nested
    struct Exterior_v {
      float AirTemperature;
      float Humidity;
      float LightIntensity;
    };
    struct Exterior : Vehicle::Base::KeyId {
      Exterior_v value;
    };
  };
  module Vehicle {
    @nested
    struct Service_v {
      boolean IsServiceDue;
      float DistanceToService;
      int32 TimeToService;
    };
    struct Service : Vehicle::Base::KeyId {
      Service_v value;
    };
  };
  module Vehicle {
    @nested
    struct Connectivity_v {
      boolean IsConnectivityAvailable;
    };
    struct Connectivity : Vehicle::Base::KeyId {
      Connectivity_v value;
    };
  };
};
    
```



- C
- C++ / C++11
- C# / .NET
- Java
- Ada
- Python
- JavaScript
- Go, Lua
- MATLAB
- LabVIEW
- SCADE
- RTMaps

- AUTOSAR
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- Bare metal
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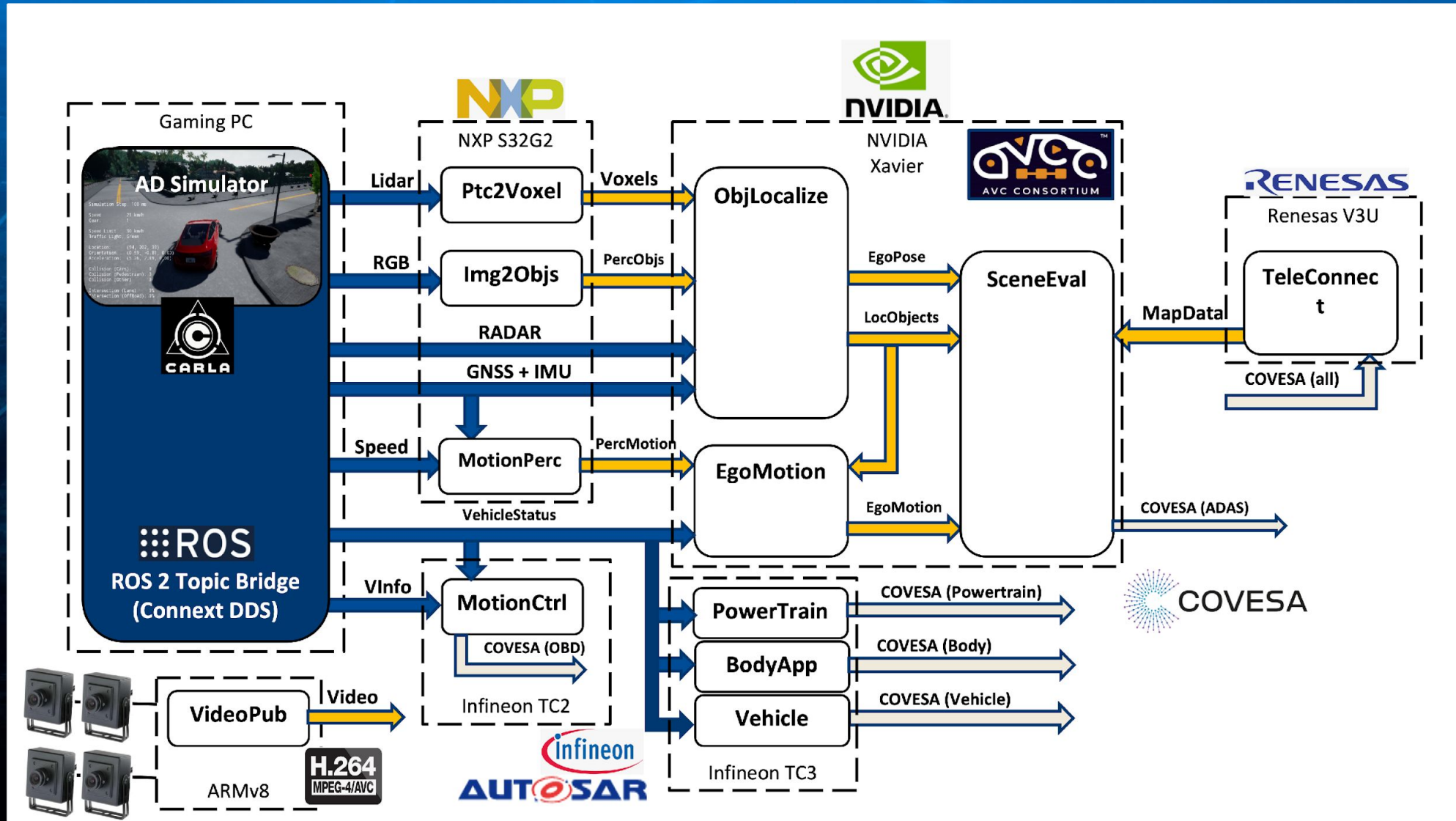
COVESA VSS

OMG IDL

Code Generator



# Connext Drive Live Demo



# Open Discussion

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# Thank you!



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