

# SW AS A CAPITAL

DEVELOP REUSABLE SW FROM THE BEGINNING

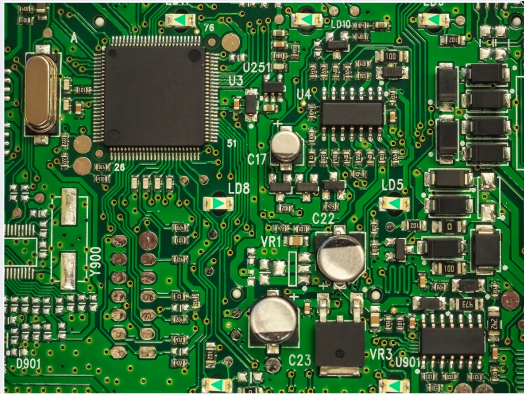
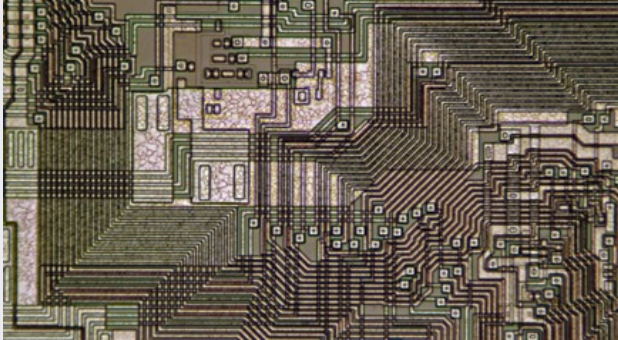
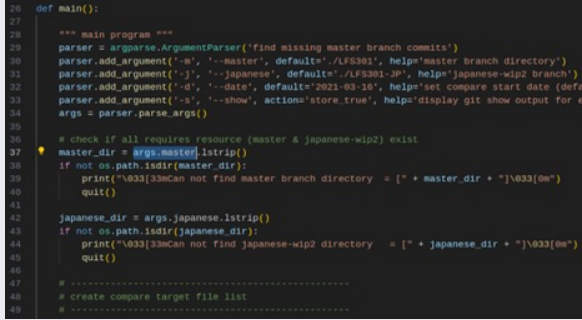
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# TRANSITION OF INNOVATION SOURCE

## HOW SW BECAME THE CENTER OF TECHNOLOGICAL GRAVITY

	In the past	Recently	In the future
Core competitiveness	PCB circuitry	SoC	SW
Technology owner	Tier1	Silicon supplier	SW platformer
Key demand	robustness	integration	portability
Image			
Challenges	ECU interconnect, age-related fault	Performance, power (thermal)	SW update, cyber security

Now, many OEMs claim SW has become a primary source of product competitiveness (= SW first concept)

# STILL, ONE SIZE (SW) DOES NOT FIT ALL

## EMBEDDED SYSTEMS HARDLY DECOUPLE HW (SOC) AND SW

### HW variation

- Require performance (=price) variants
- Expect unique competitive features (display numbers, AI,..)

### SW commonality

- Production variants (same generation)
- SW migration (across the generation)

### HW/SW boundary

- Application portability (OS interface)
- HW access interface (common API)
- System level boundary

## Generic System Images (GSIs)

A Generic System Image (GSI) is a pure Android implementation with unmodified Android Open Source Project (AOSP) code, runnable on a variety of Android devices.

App developers can install and run the latest Android GSIs to perform app testing on a variety of existing Android devices and using GSIs from different Android OS release stages, including Developer Preview and Beta builds. Adding GSIs to your verification and testing processes can provide you with some extra benefits:

- Broader test coverage on a greater set of real devices
- More time to fix app compatibility issues
- More opportunities to fix compatibility issues in Android that are reported by app developers

The GSI project is [open source](#) and helps improve the Android ecosystem by providing more ways to improve app and OS quality before each release of Android.

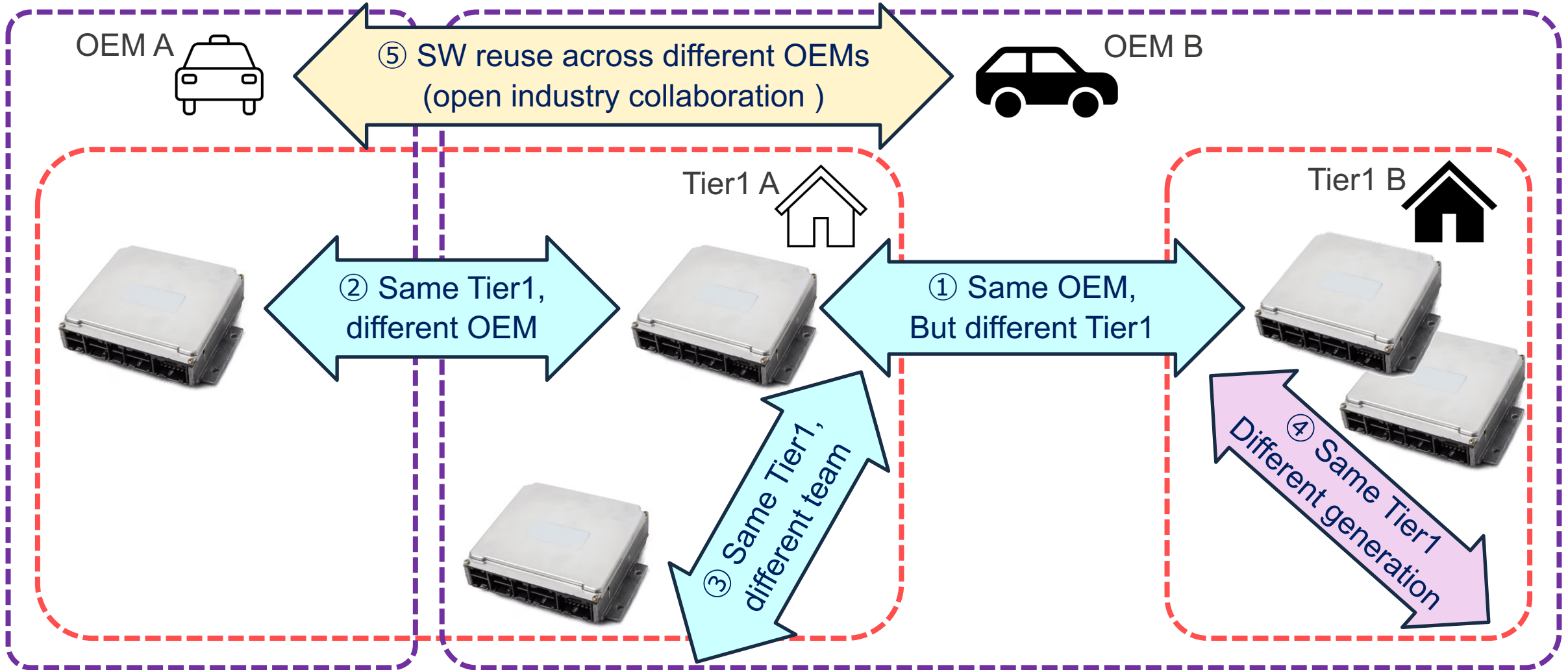


<https://developer.android.com/topic/generic-system-image>

Android mandates handset vendors to support GSI boot, a common binary that can boot multiple devices.

# EXPECTED SW REUSE CANDIDATES

... AND VARIOUS BLOCKING FACTORS FOR EMBEDDED SW REUSE



# VARIOUS BLOCKING FACTORS FOR SW REUSE

NOT ONLY HW-ORIENTED, BUT ALSO SW-RELATED AND BUSINESS-RELATED

## HW origin

- **Performance**
  - Speed
  - Memory size
- **Major IP incompatibility**
  - CPU / GPU / NPU
- **Minor IP incompatibility**
  - Register function assign
  - Channel number
- **Environment**
  - IDE, debug board,..

## SW origin

- **Data definition**
  - Common language
- **Coding convention**
  - MISRA-C
- **Code management**
  - Repository access
- **Readability**
  - Document density
  - Language

## Business origin

- **Contract**
  - Code disclosure
  - Asset ownership
- **License**
  - Copyright restriction
  - Warranty scope
- **Deliverables**
  - Source code access

# SW AS A CAPITAL, NOT AN ASSET

CAPITAL SHOULD BE RESOURCED TO GENERATE REPEATED FUTURE VALUE

## SW as an *Asset* (traditional way)

- Acquired to date

Collection of past SW code became bad debt



- Accumulated over time
- Care for the preservation of assets
- The **value diminishes over time**
- Hard to maintain the present value
- Becomes a **non-performing asset**

## SW as a *Capital* (new direction)

- Source of future value
- Core of the growth strategy
- To increase the prospective value, you need to reinvest in the SW
- SW management strategy should include **“What exactly to do for expansion and reinvestment?”**

# “CAPITAL TURNOVER RATE” GIVES PERFORMANCE INDEX

IT SHOWS HOW MUCH REVENUE GENERATED FROM THE EXISTING ASSET

## Capital Turnover Rate (Accounting terms)

- **Capital Turnover Rate = Annual sales / stockholder equity (net worth)**
  - The ratio indicates how much a company could grow its current capital investment level.
  - Its value varies by type of business. (1.3 ~ 3.5)
- **SW Capital turnover Rate = Reused code / Total developed code**
  - We can calculate the true code reuse rate.
  - That does not include the use of vague experience and know-how.
  - We need to consider how we can improve the true code reuse ratio.

# HOW TO REALIZE CAPITALIZED SW (= REUSABLE SW)

**"REUSE" IS ESSENTIAL FOR SW CAPITALIZATION**

## Eliminate Assumptions

- **Do not optimize the code**

Optimize may include assumption

- HW configuration (ch. number)
- Data range
- Memory size
- Execution speed (network,..)

## Follow Coding Conventions

- Style format (tab length, codepage,..)
- Pursuit of readability (doxygen support,..)
- Nomenclature (adopt common naming)
- Use code control system (proper use of git system)

## Interoperability with other industries

- Cloud connectivity
- Mobile network connectivity
- Vehicle service connectivity
- common control vocabulary (shared semantics) for data sharing/integration



# WHAT COVESA CONTRIBUTES TO REALIZE CAPITALIZED SW

## COVESA HOSTS VARIOUS COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS THAT PROMOTE SW CAPITALIZATION

### Data Expert Group

- Data Models & Science
  - VSS eco-system
- Common Vehicle Interfaces
  - VehicleAPI (Autosar)
  - Service definitions
  - VISS
  - IFEX IDL framework
- Architecture / Infrastructure
  - Data Layer
  - Data Centric Arch

### Automotive AOSP App Framework Standardization Expert Group

- Non-GAS emulator
- Data/Sensor API Definition
  - e.g. camera
- Push Notifications
- Login & Identification
- Payment
- Location Based Services
- Driver distraction
- Display management
- Touchpad support

### Electric Vehicle Charging Expert Group

- EV Charging Event Data Aggregation
- EV Optimization
- Private Cross OEM Joint Compute for Changing
  
- Delivering great EV experiences

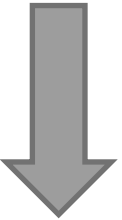
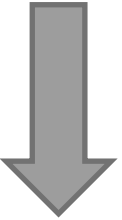
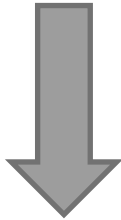
# TRANSLATING SW CAPITALIZATION TO RENESAS

## DEVELOPMENT PILLARS TO SUPPORT THE TRANSFORMATION

Create SW Re-investment Strategy

Eliminate Assumptions

Improve Industry Collaboration



Single Mainline Dev't

Cloud Native Dev't

Simulation Enabled Dev't

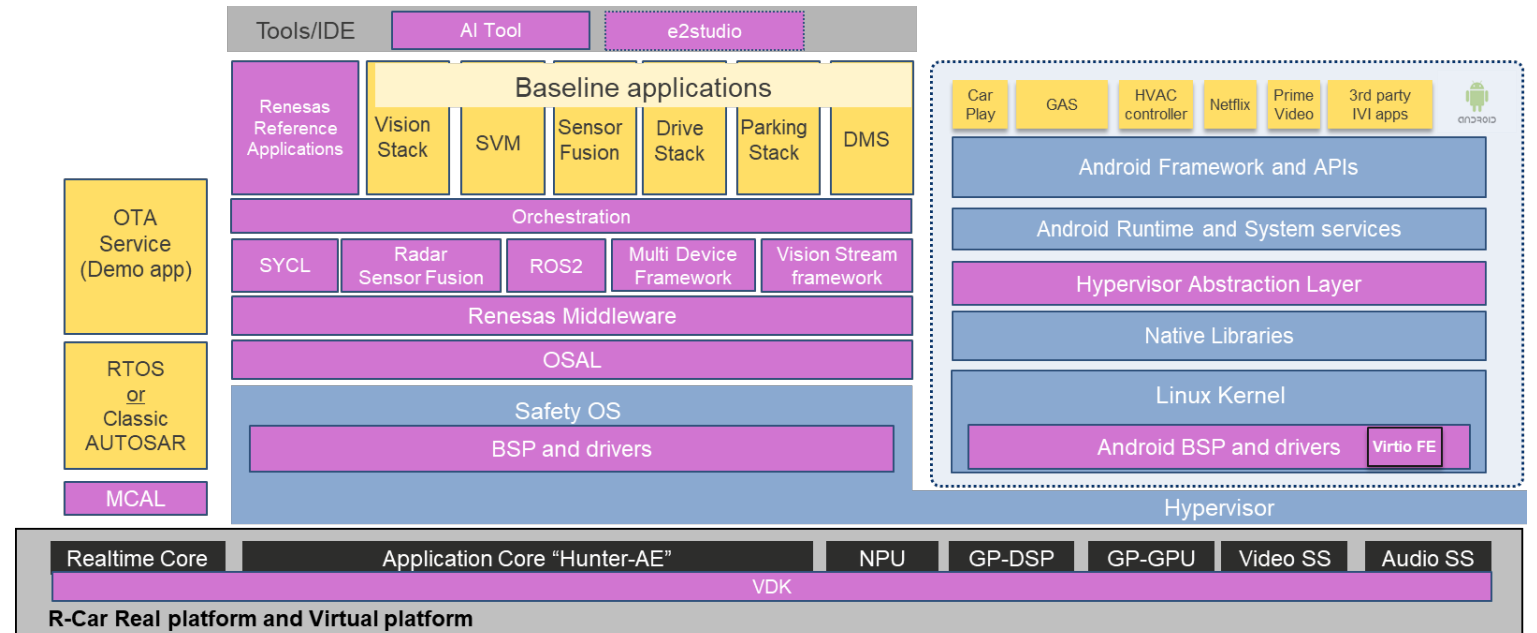
Increased Standardization via Consortium and OSS Leadership and Participation

# RENESAS PILLARS TO PURSUE SW CAPITALIZATION

## SINGLE MAINLINE DEVELOPMENT

### Single Mainline Dev't

- “Single mainline” development co-locating and integrating all SW features at right
- Increased chipset and vehicle system integration planning and test
  - better visibility into SW re-use in real world cases
- Optimizations and customizations become branches from here



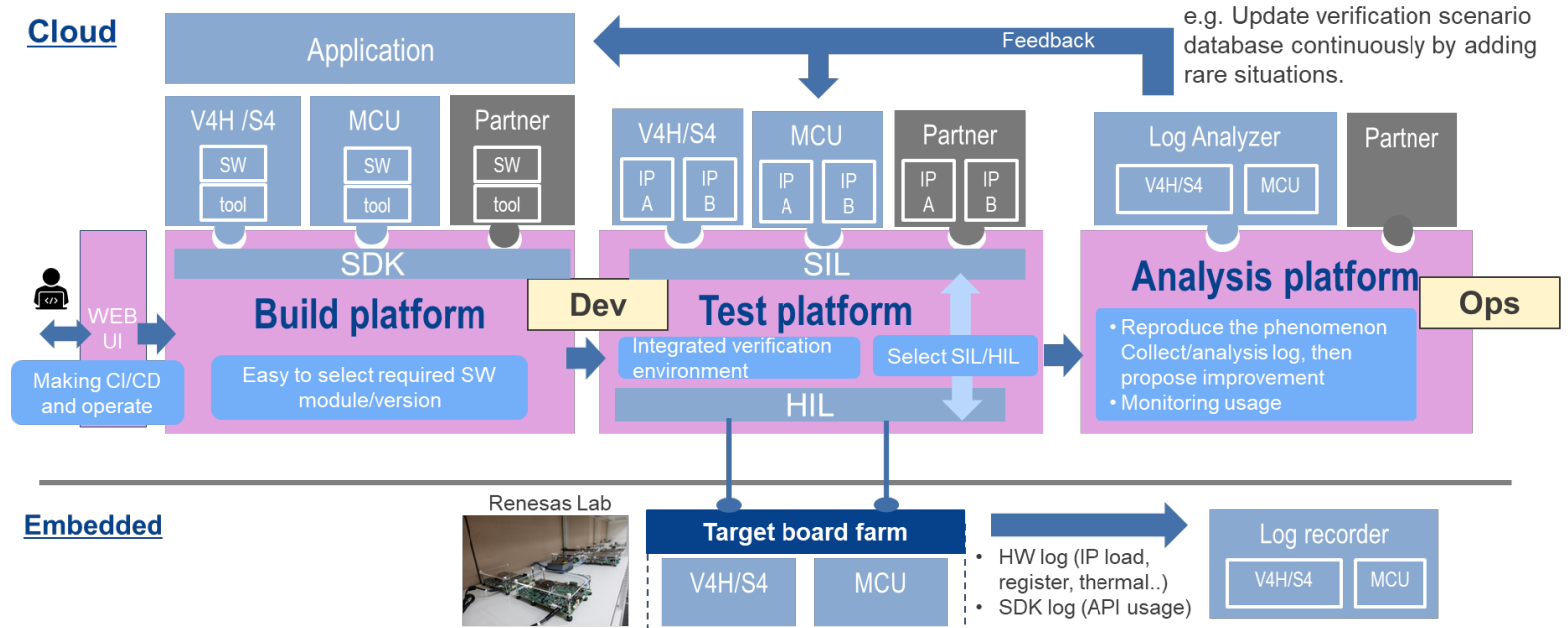
Make smart optimizations to avoid jeopardizing SW re-useability

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## CLOUD NATIVE DEVELOPMENT THROUGHOUT VEHICLE LIFETIME

### Cloud Native Dev't

- “One stop shop”: Single point of entry and operation for complete SW dev't workload
- Product Simulation (fast/medium/slow)
- AI analysis/simulation
- Documentation/SW access
- Compute rental mechanisms (HiL, SiL)



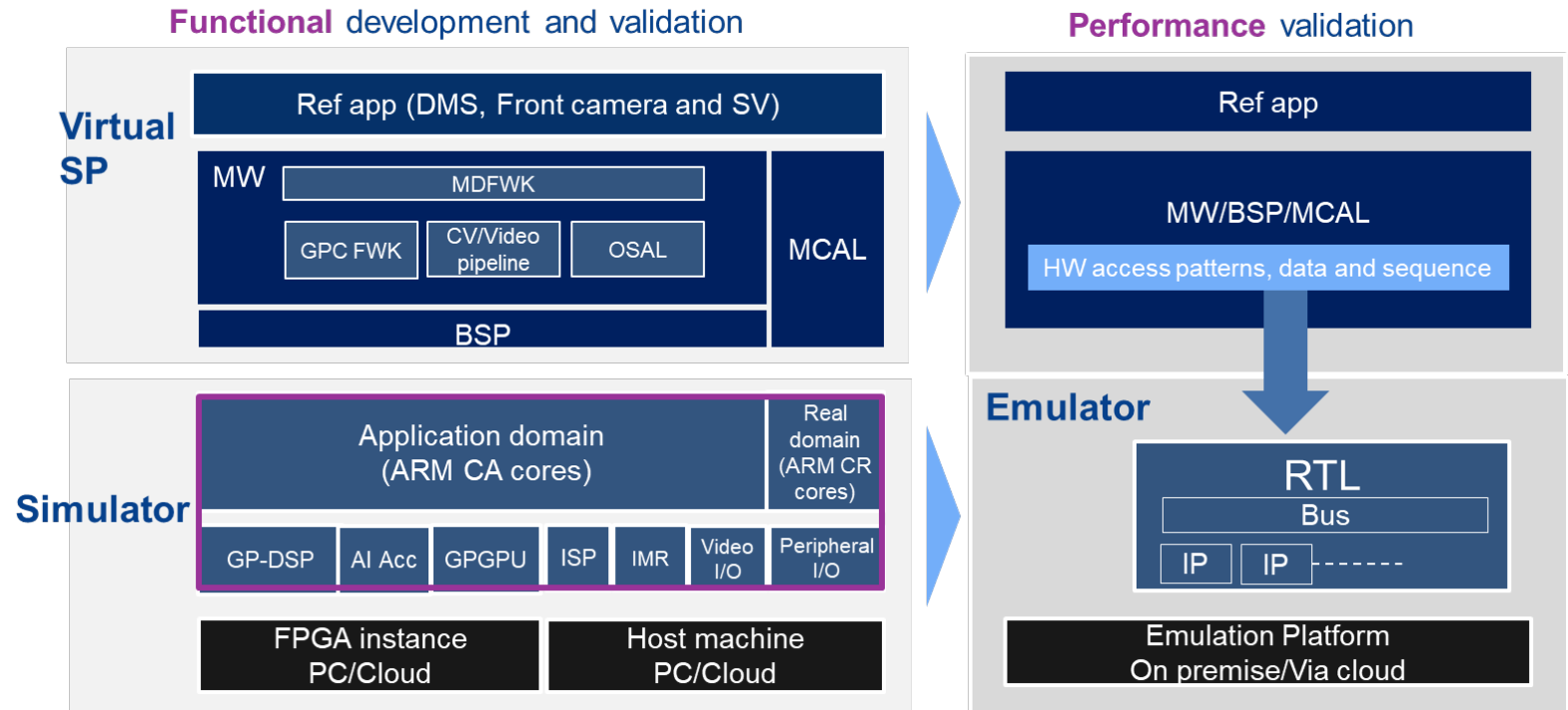
Cloud Native to pull Dev't Left and Enable Broader and Easier SW Access

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## SIMULATION ENABLEMENT FROM THE START

### Simulation Enabled Dev't

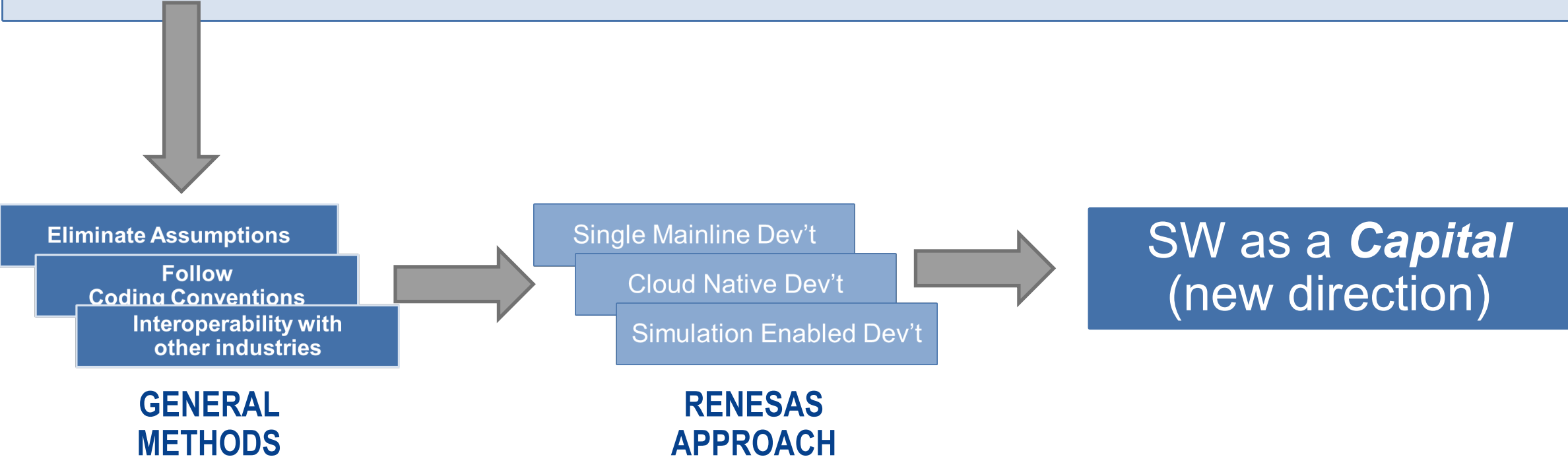
- Renesas Automotive SW IDE includes simulation components since 2021
  - Multi-device simulation
  - Enhanced debug/trace
- Now we expand on this
  - Flexibility of simulation (speed/accuracy)
  - Deeper AI toolchain simulation



Decouple SW Value and Strategy from HW Access

# OUR JOURNEY...

Renesas is making great efforts to **master our own journey towards SW capitalization**, and to **enable our customers and partners** to master their own journeys...



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