



# Low Code/No Code Design Paradigm for Multi-OS Cockpits

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# Agenda

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1. What is a domain-controlled cockpit?
2. Increasing software complexity presents a problem
3. Traditional development process
4. Low code / No code solution



# The Automotive UX





**OEMs are increasingly bringing cockpit software development in house.**

**User experience (UX) is a very large value/differentiator for a brand.**

What is a Domain Controller?





# Cadillac LYRIQ

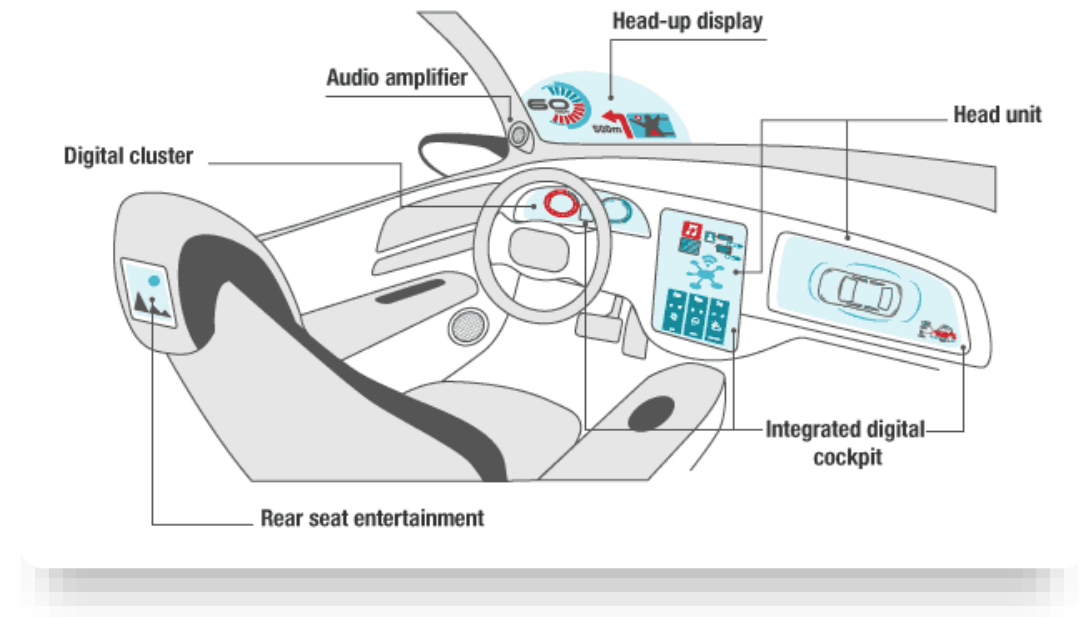


Source - <https://www.cadillac.com/>

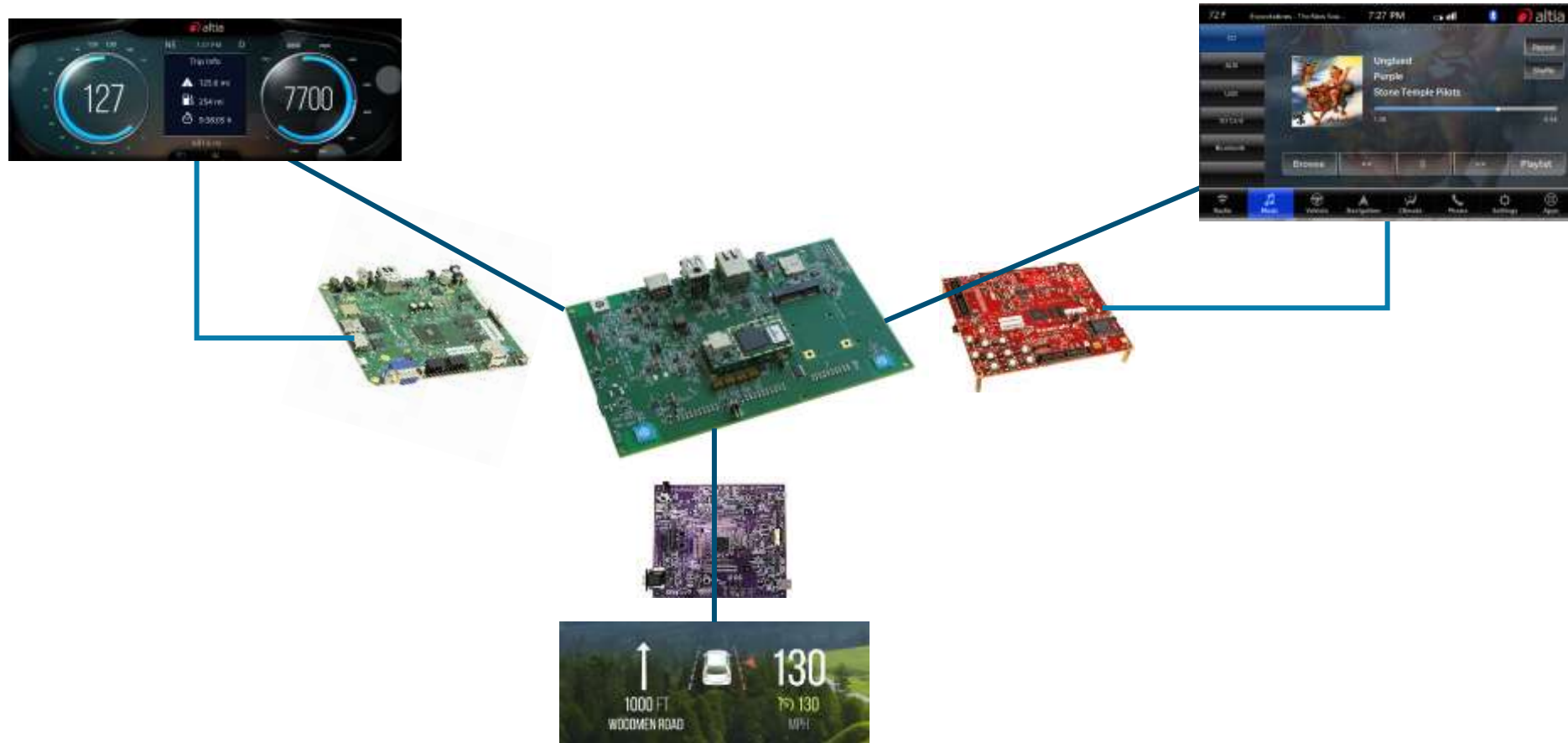
# What is a domain-controlled cockpit?



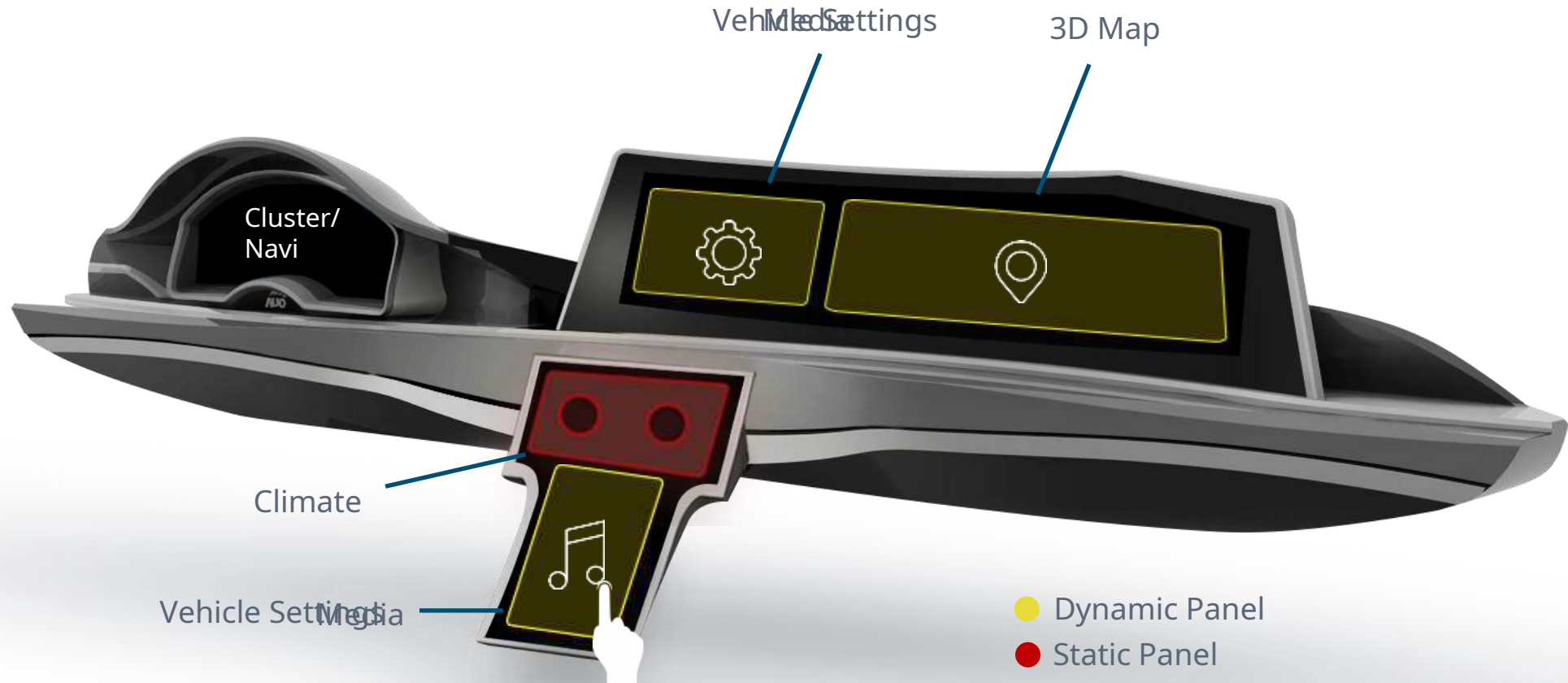
- **Single SoC drives multiple displays**
  - Cluster
  - HUD
  - IVI
  - Passenger
  - RSE
  - Climate
  - Mirror Replacement
  - Etc.
- **Graphical content is synced and shared between displays.**
- **Why?**



# Hardware Consolidation







# Altia: Integrated Cockpit Domain Controller Demo



Cluster  
Altia  
Simulink  
Altia Safety Monitor  
RTOS

Passenger Entertainment  
Altia  
Simulink  
Android  
RTOS

# Requirements – Infotainment Displays



## Connectivity



Connected OS

## Third Party Apps



# Requirements – Infotainment Displays: Content Sharing and Syncing



Jeep Grand Cherokee

# Requirements – Cluster Displays



Cluster  
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# Requirements – Cluster/Functional Displays



Requirements of Infotainment Display, as well as...

## Software Robustness



## Functional Safety

P R **N** D



## NHTSA and other Regulatory Requirements



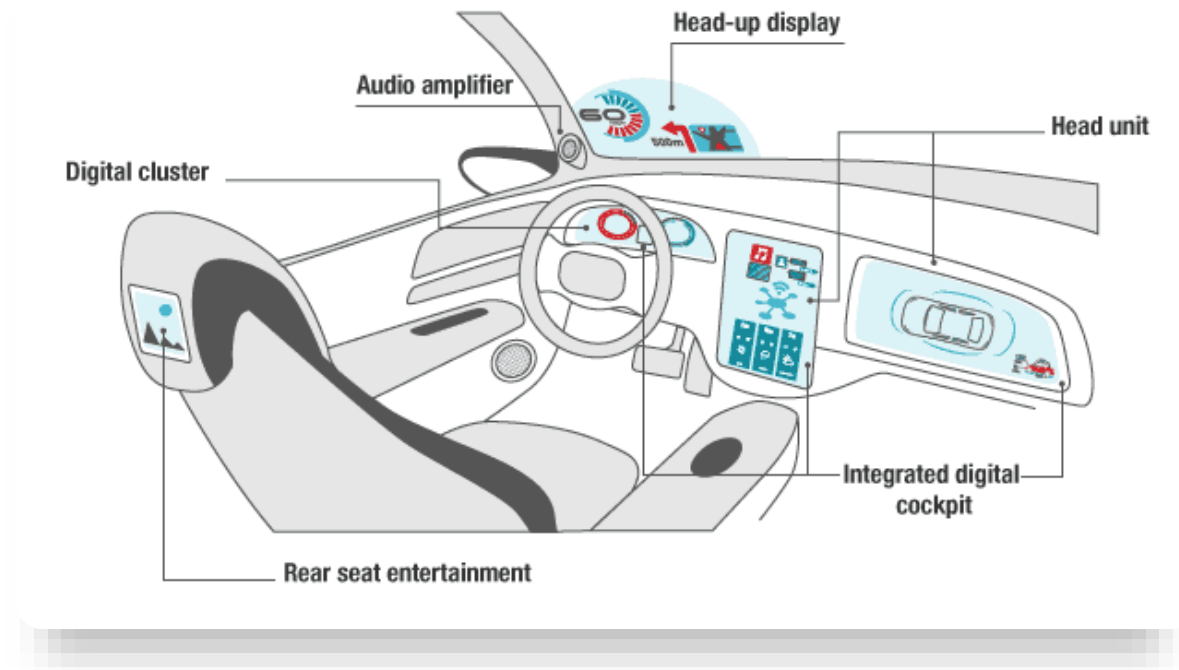
## Cyber Security

ISO/SAE 21434



# What is a Domain Controller cockpit?

- **Single SoC drives multiple displays**
  - Cluster, HUD, IVI, Passenger, RSE, Climate, Mirror Replacement, etc.
- **Graphical content is synced and shared between displays**
- **Why?**
  - Cost
  - Unified UX
- **Other considerations**
  - Multiple OSs/partitions
  - Multiple graphics pipelines
  - Functional safety content



# Problem

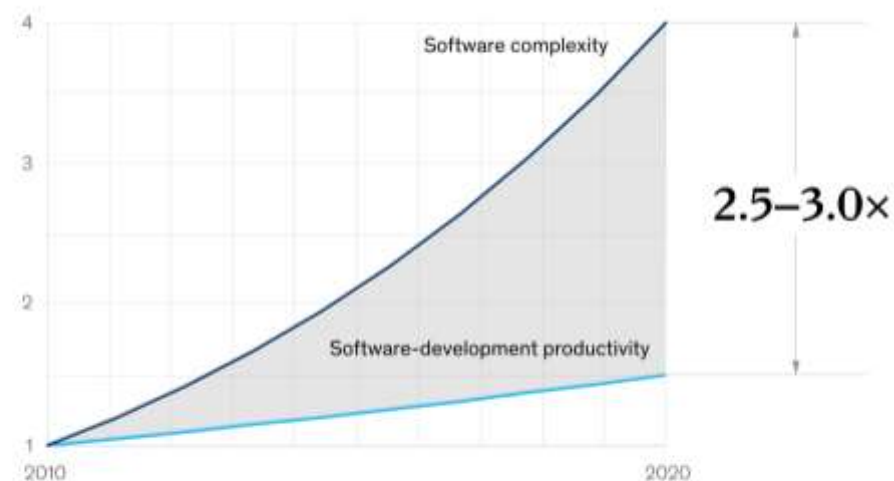
Embedded and GUI engineers must produce more capability in less time than ever before.



## Software Complexity on the Rise

Growth in software complexity more than doubles the growth in software development productivity.

Relative growth over time, for automotive features, indexed, 1 = 2010



Source: Numetrics

McKinsey  
& Company

# Automotive Challenges for Domain Controller Cockpit



**Security**



**Connectivity**



**Safety**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Party  
Apps**

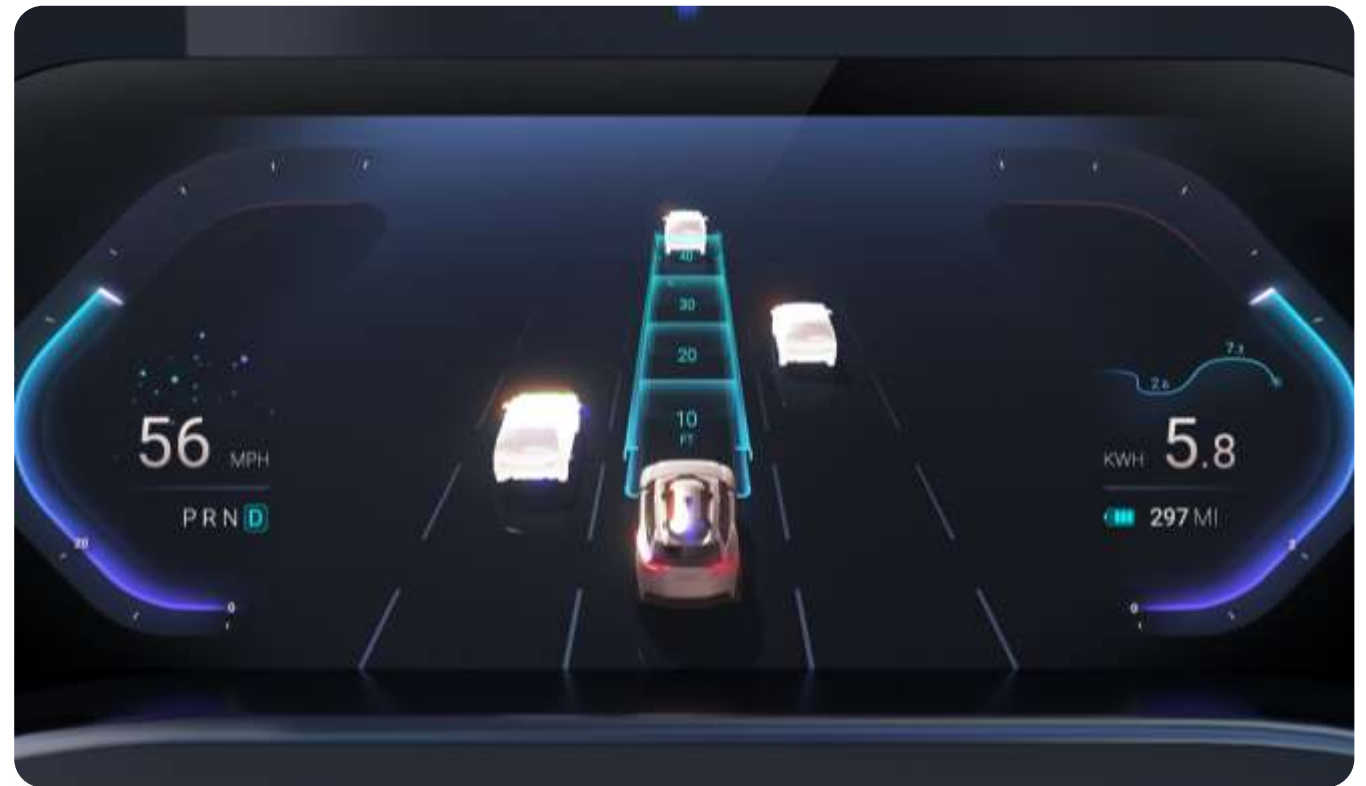


**Multi-OS**



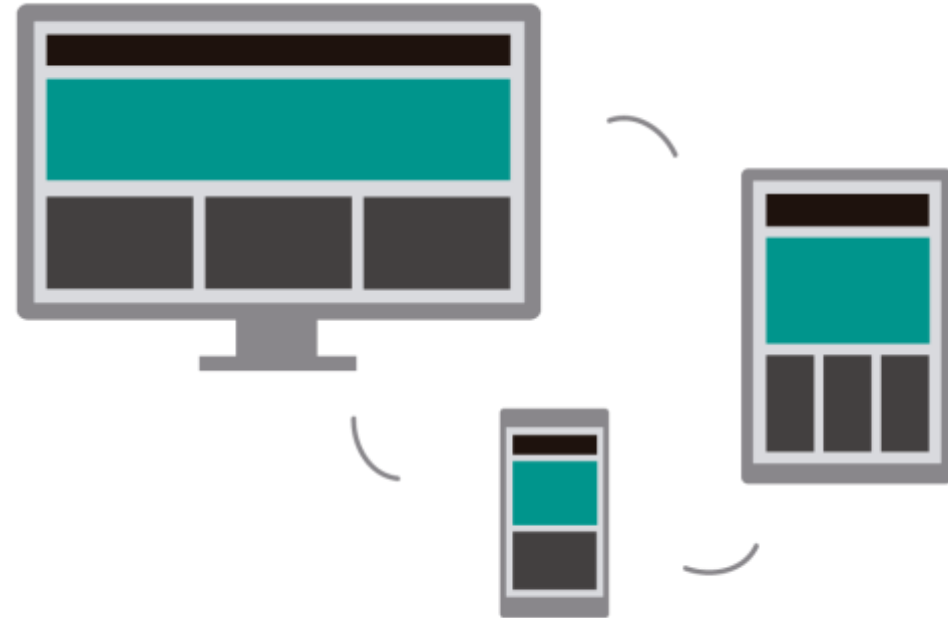
## 3D Graphics

- Materials
- Shaders
- File Formats
- Texture Compression



## Advanced Layout

- Style guides (ex. CSS, XML)
- Layout Constraints (ex. Flexbox, Android)



- Video Streaming
- Night Vision
- 3D Displays
- HUD Warping
- Etc.



Jeep Grand Wagoneer



**Embedded software and GUI engineers are some of the most difficult to find in the workforce, but they are being given more tasks unrelated to their specialties in the field—effectively diluting the efficacy of each engineer.**

# Traditional Development Method – Fractured Process

**Design**

**Behavior**

**System  
Requirements**

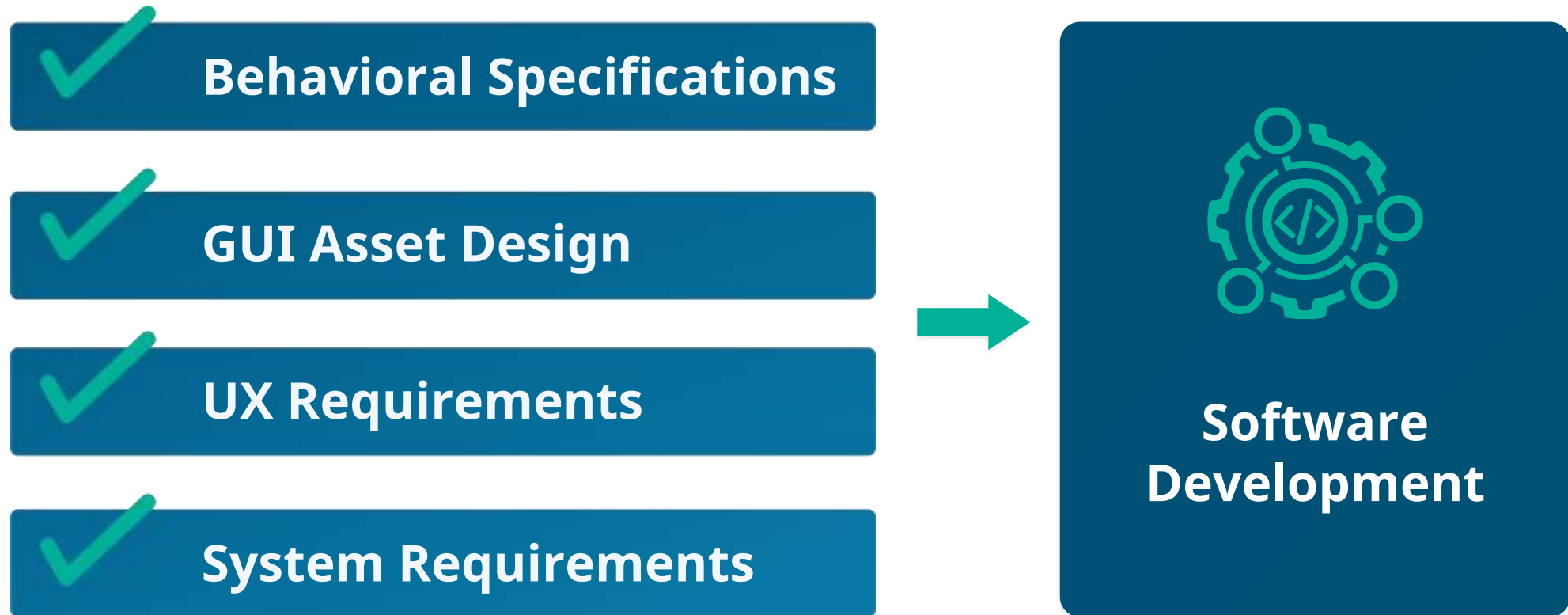
**Quality  
Standards**

**Quality  
Processes**

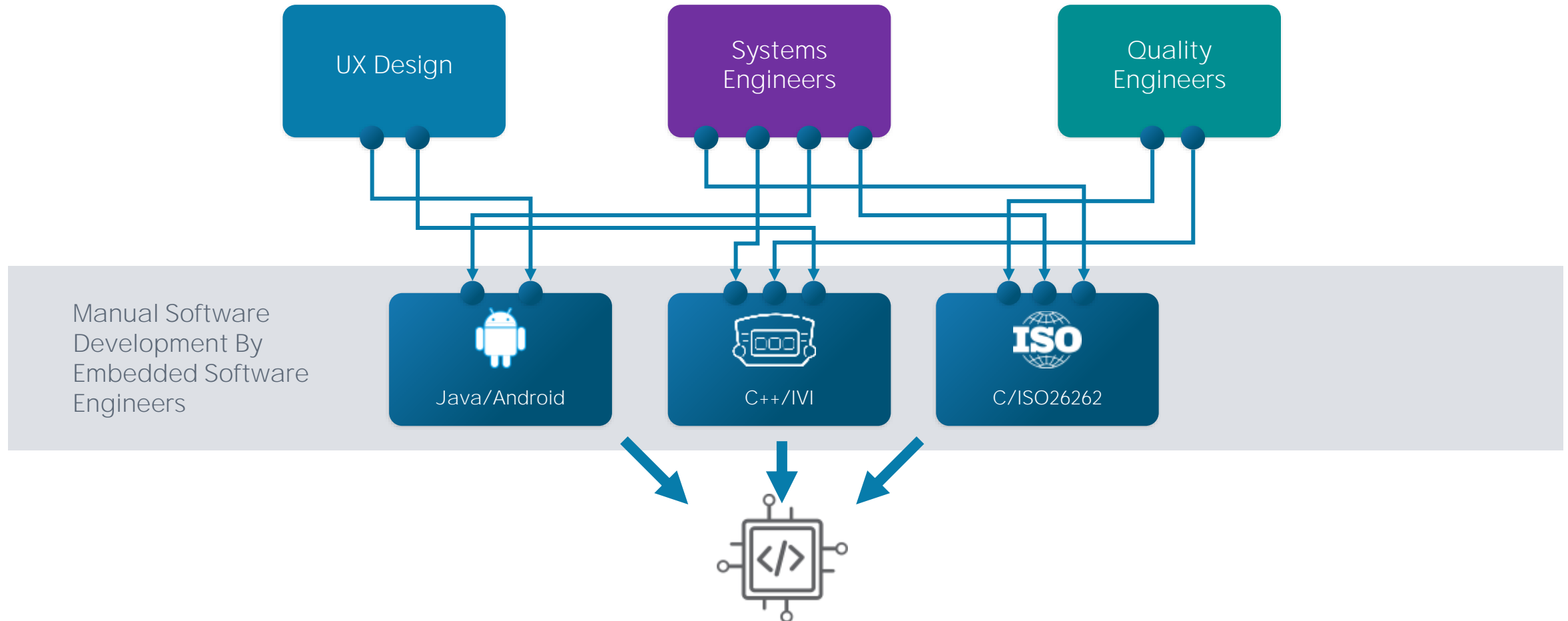




# Traditional Development Process – Serial Process



# Traditional Domain Controller Development Process



# Solution

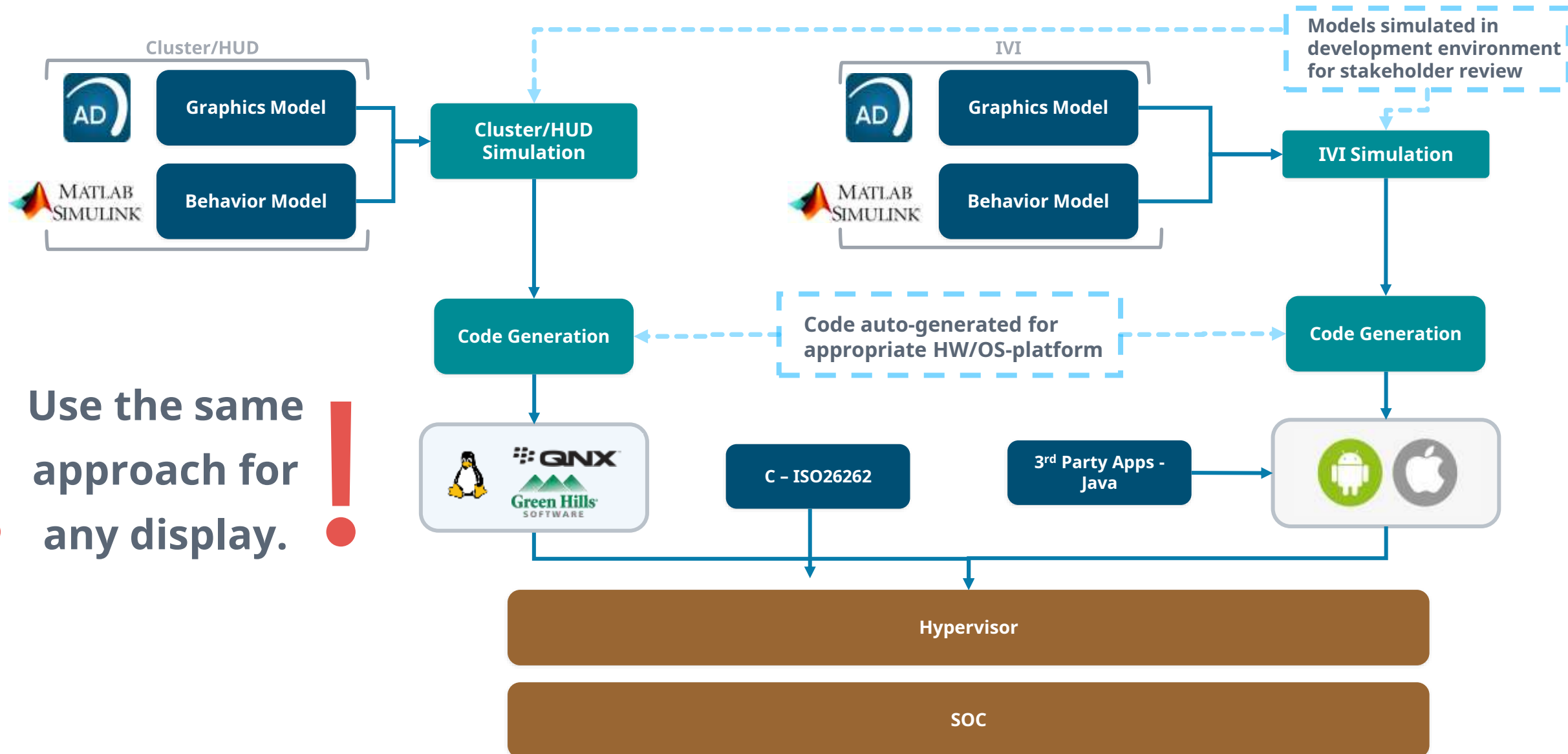
Share the load.  
Decrease the code.





**By getting smarter about the tools used by development teams, companies can avoid putting impossible loads on the software and GUI teams. Instead, they can increase productivity and quality simultaneously.**

# Common Development Methodology

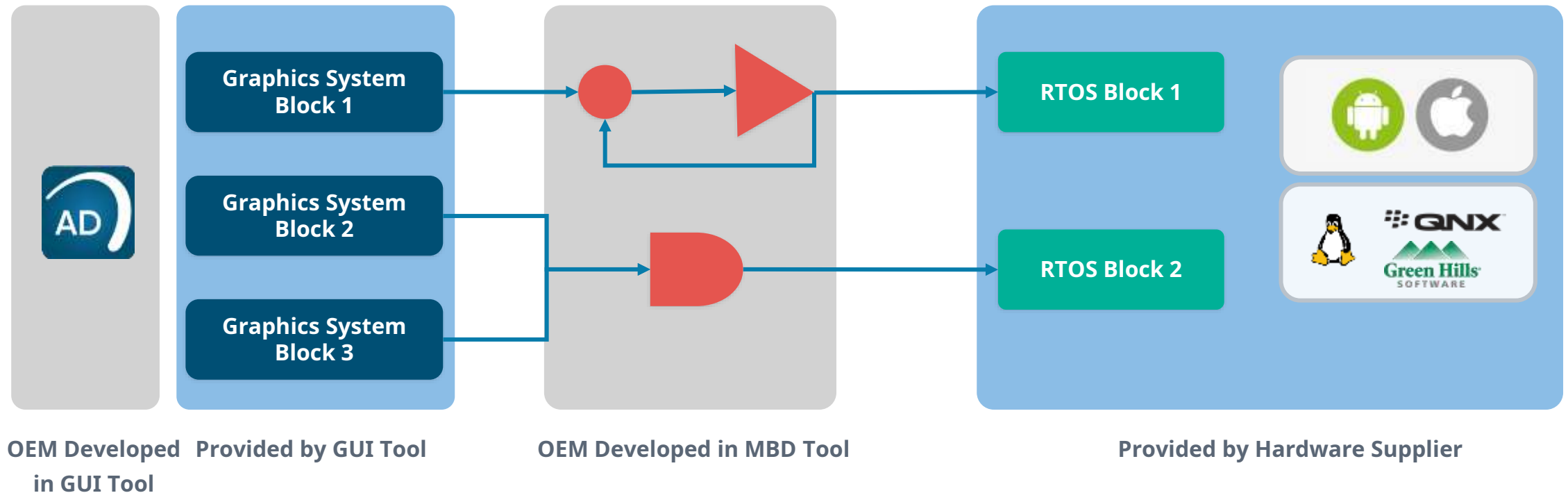


Use the same approach for any display.

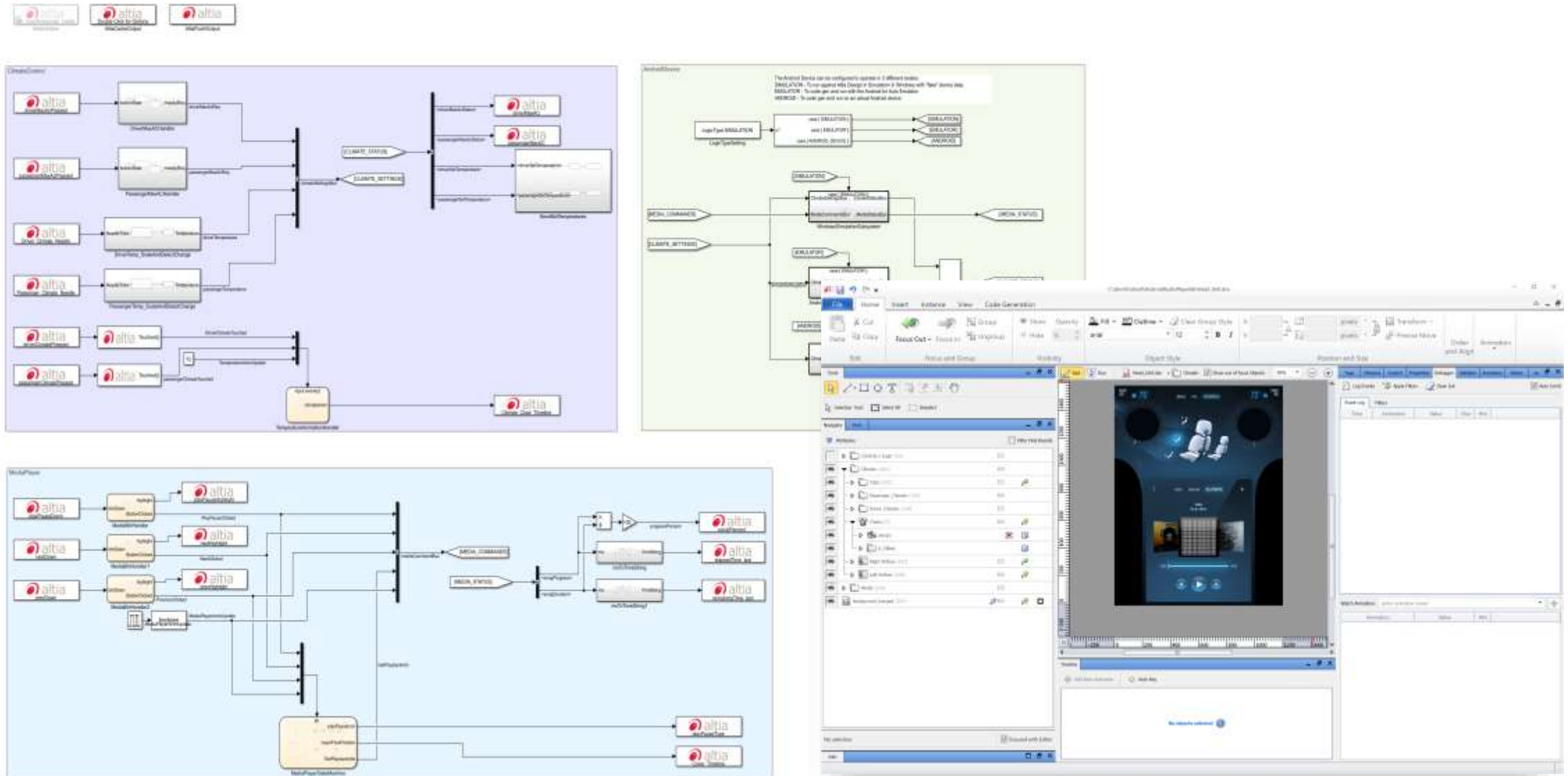


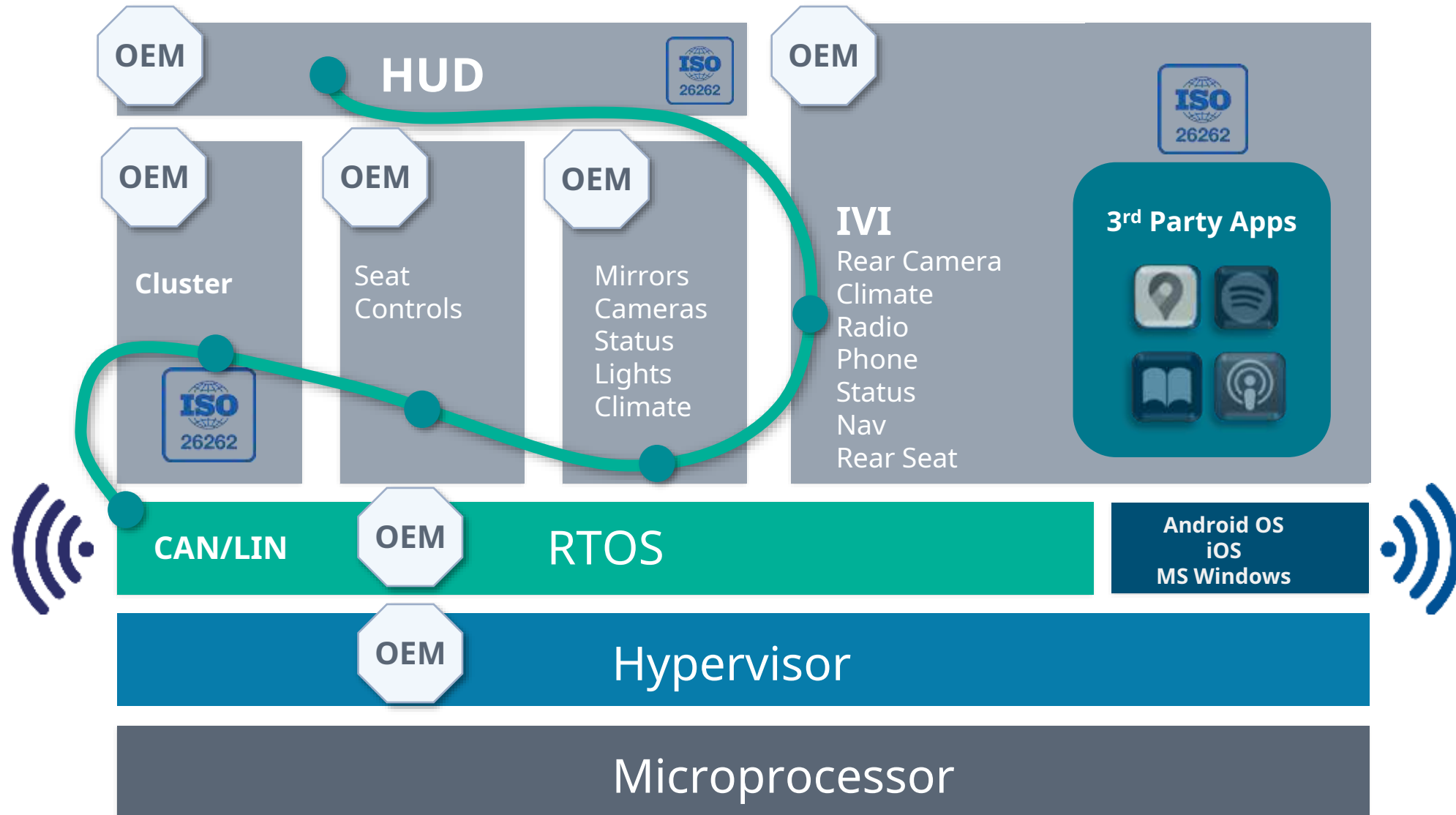
# Model-Based Behavior Detail

- MBD System Abstracts Interfaces to GUI and OS
- OEM-required knowledge is abstracted from hardware/operating system and consistent across the entire cockpit.



# Simulink Model





# Model-Based *Development* Benefits

- **Engaging the entire team** in the development process
- **No extra mock-ups and prototypes**
- Extra team support **removes burden from embedded software resources**
- **Embedded engineers can focus** on confirming that the software interacts with electronics hardware
- **Deploy to Android or iOS** and take advantage of connected services
- **Simultaneously deploy to RTOS** environments for mandated and functional safety requirements

# Model-Based *Business* Benefits

- **Same design/development paradigm** for ALL OS/HW configurations
- **Less training, fewer tool costs**
- **Lower development cost** due to higher efficiency and elimination of unnecessary steps
- **Faster time to market**—the whole team is contributing to development
- Higher **product quality** and **market penetration**



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