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In recent years, software has become a mutual focus for many automakers across the industry and around the globe. Legacy OEMs, automotive brands, and newer start-ups alike are increasingly integrating technologies that put software first in many areas of the vehicle lifecycle – from its design and core user experience, through to the ways it can help maintain and extend the lifecycle.

While this focus continues to shift from hardware to software, and from discrete ECUs to advanced computing systems, new cyber security threats and attack points that exploit their vulnerabilities will be introduced. As such, OEMs and suppliers working with, or producing, a software-defined vehicle must be well equipped to manage new risks while adopting new mitigation technologies.

SBD Automotive's Securing the Software-Defined Vehicle report takes a detailed, chip-to-cloud look at SDVs. In doing so, it provides a high-level threat model of a typical SDV architecture and identifies the best practices for preventing, detecting, and containing malicious cyber security attacks at each layer of the technology stack. For IT and security teams newly supporting the development of a SDV, the report maps out the key differences between traditional and SDV architectures from a cyber security perspective.

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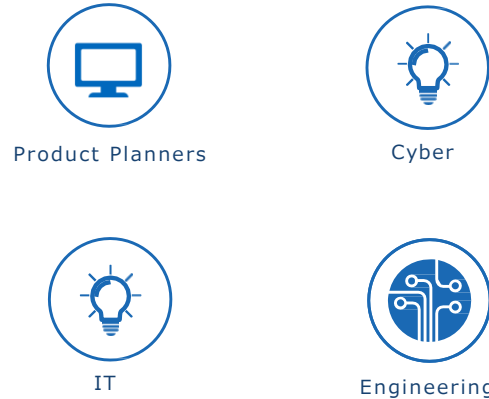
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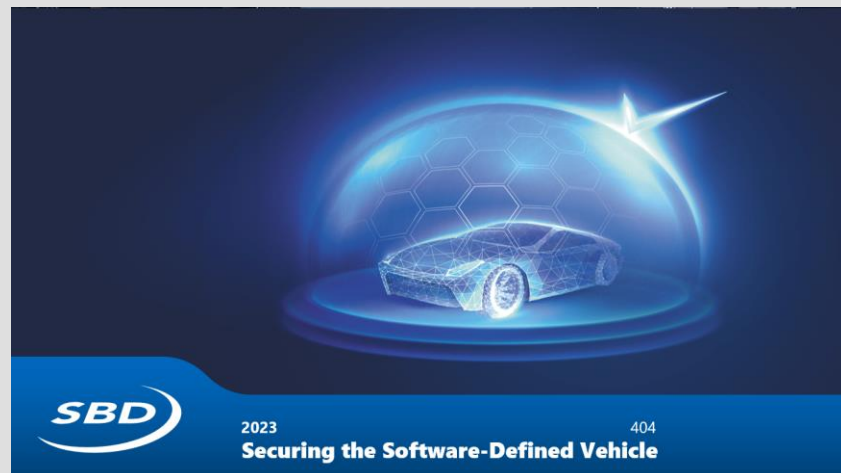
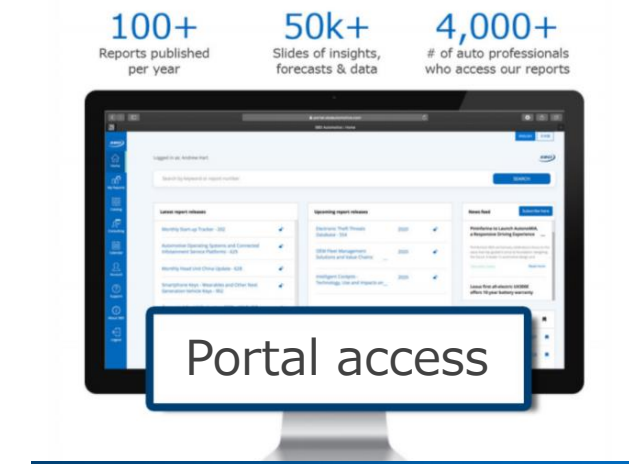
Key questions answered

- > What are the fundamental differences from a cyber security point of view between a traditional vehicle architecture and an SDV?
- > What are the emerging solutions for securing SDVs and where are the gaps that may require further research and development?
- > What new attack points does an SDV introduce and how will OEMs need to change their approach to protecting their vehicles?
- > What impact will the shift to SDV have in terms of initial and on-going compliance to UNECE R155?

This research supports



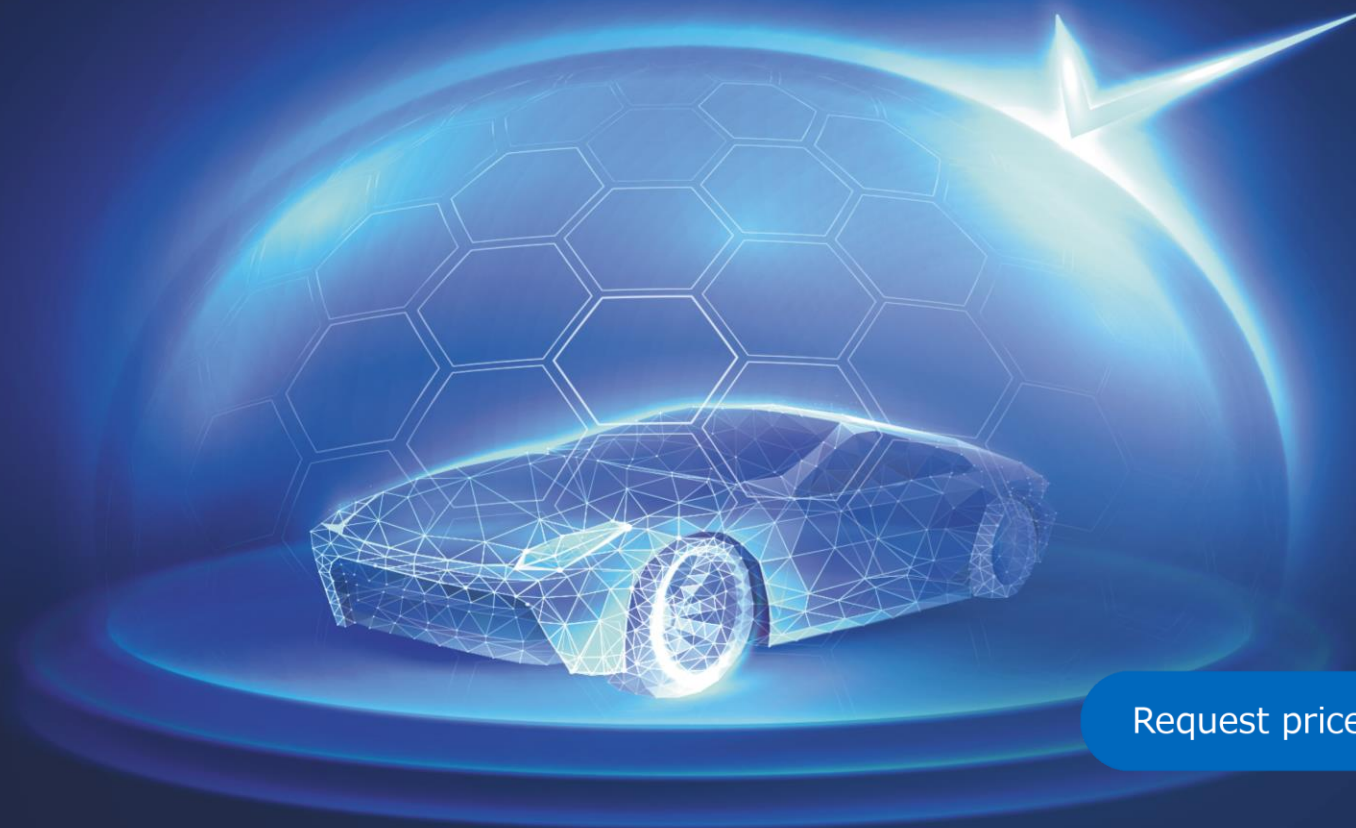
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Introduction



Introduction

The transition towards software defined vehicles is already enabling OEMs to realize opportunities which could not be achieved with traditional automotive architectures. New technologies are bringing more features to the vehicle, and also to the OEM business model. Thanks to more advanced software and hardware, the automotive industry can provide safer features, more convenient operations and a better user experience. However, at the same time, the automotive security mindset needs to be updated, as the risk of vulnerabilities also increases because of the increasing number of attack surfaces.

Automotive security is already being taken seriously. In recent years, cybersecurity attacks on vehicles have resulted in serious impact to financial, safety, operational and privacy aspects. Making the industry aware that building a holistic standard that considers security in the early project development, and that working across the industry, is vital to protect vehicles from potential attacks.

Technologies keep evolving, which presents more challenges that stakeholders need to react to. For example, quantum computing and digital twins' applications are bringing new security vulnerabilities. Stakeholders need to adopt an agile and comprehensive approach to address incoming threats. In the early phase of product development, the stakeholders need to adopt a security mindset to conduct the potential threat analysis and deploy forward-looking security mechanisms.

The motivation of attackers comes from various perspectives. New targets now include private user data and bypassing the FaaS to gain financial benefits. In the foreseeable future, more forms of attacks will emerge.

This reports discusses the security-related topics for each of the five layers of the SDV. These are Cloud, Chipset, Software, E/E and Organization & Strategy. The vulnerabilities of each layer, potential impacts, source of threats, security goals and what solutions can be considered for deployment.

A simplified version of TARA modelling is provided to help cybersecurity engineers consider various aspects before deciding the best security mechanism.

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Bird's Eye View	A brief overview of the journey to the Software Defined Vehicle, considering the different layers of the SDV, and SBD's SDV Report Series.
Executive Summary	From the security point of view, the chapter evaluates what are the key approaches considered to follow, the impact, threat, limitation, goals and solutions in each SDV layer.
The Basics	What do you need to know about Software Defined Vehicles? What does SDV mean to security strategy?
Analysis	Five SDV layers (Chipset, Cloud, E/E, Software and Organization & Strategy) analysis, including the cybersecurity assets analysis, impact analysis, threat analysis, limitation analysis, Goals analysis and Solution analysis. A simplified TARA modelling is also conducted for reader example
Next Step	How SBD can help?

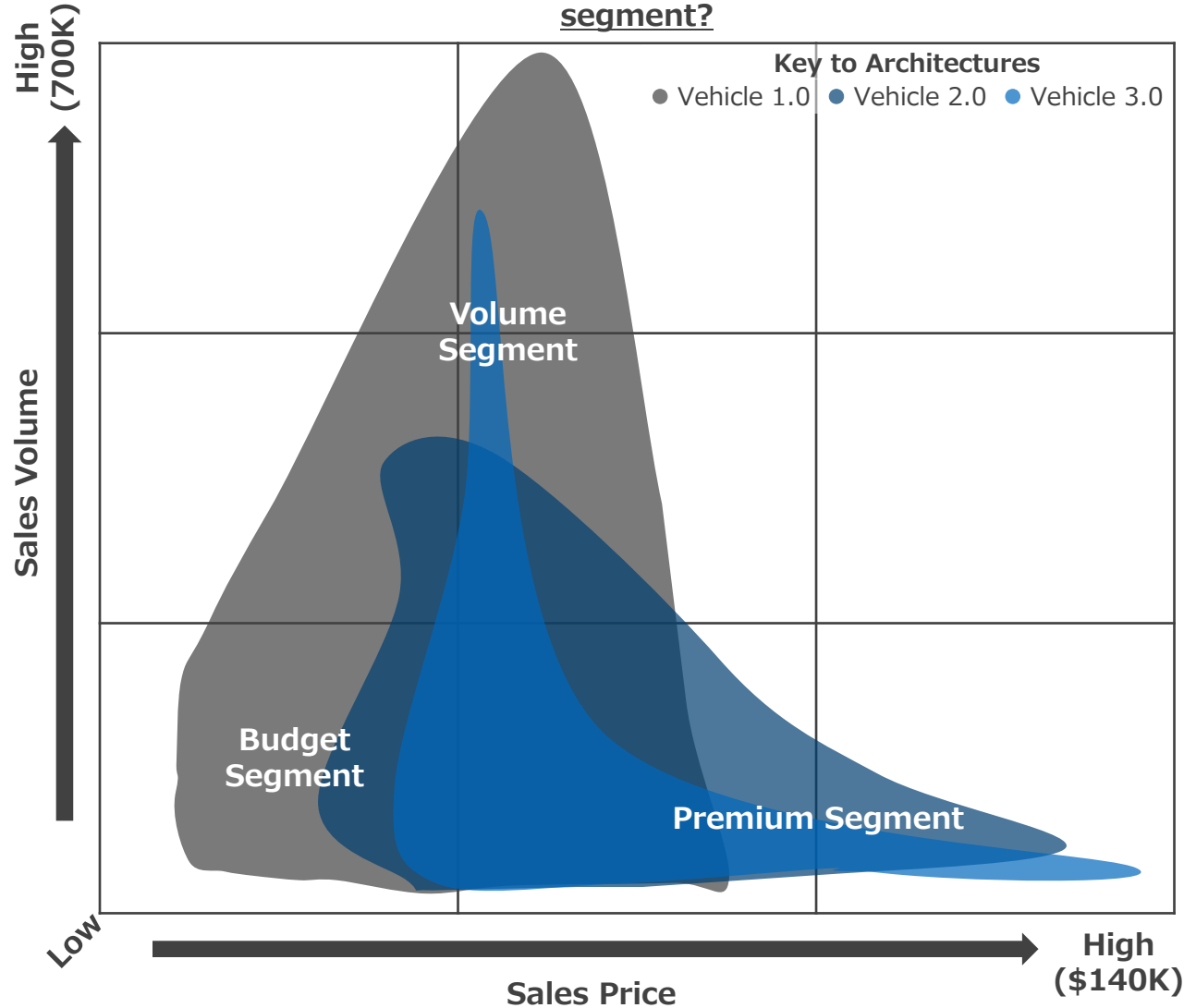
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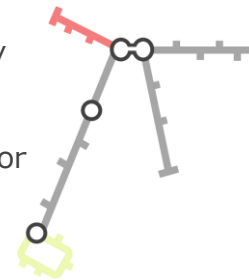
Vehicle 4.0 will evolve across the volume and premium segments

Which generation of architectures are used in which market segment?



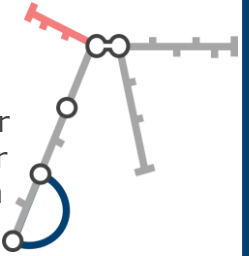
Vehicle 1.0

CAN based topology built around a gateway module. May feature **MOST** or **Flexray** for specific functions



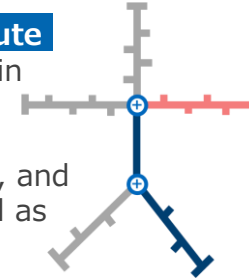
Vehicle 2.0

Introduction of secondary point-to-point high bandwidth **Ethernet** channels for specific functions - for example connecting a modem to infotainment



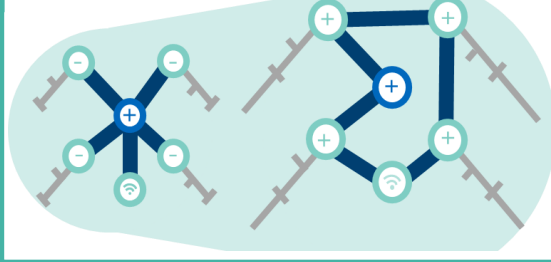
Vehicle 3.0

Centralized Compute or Functional Domain High Performance Compute with decoupled software, and Ethernet being used as a primary network



Vehicle 4.0

Scalable network from distributed **Zonal 'Switches'** to **Zonal Computes**; perhaps with an ethernet ring and a smart roof zone antenna module



E/E Architecture Guide

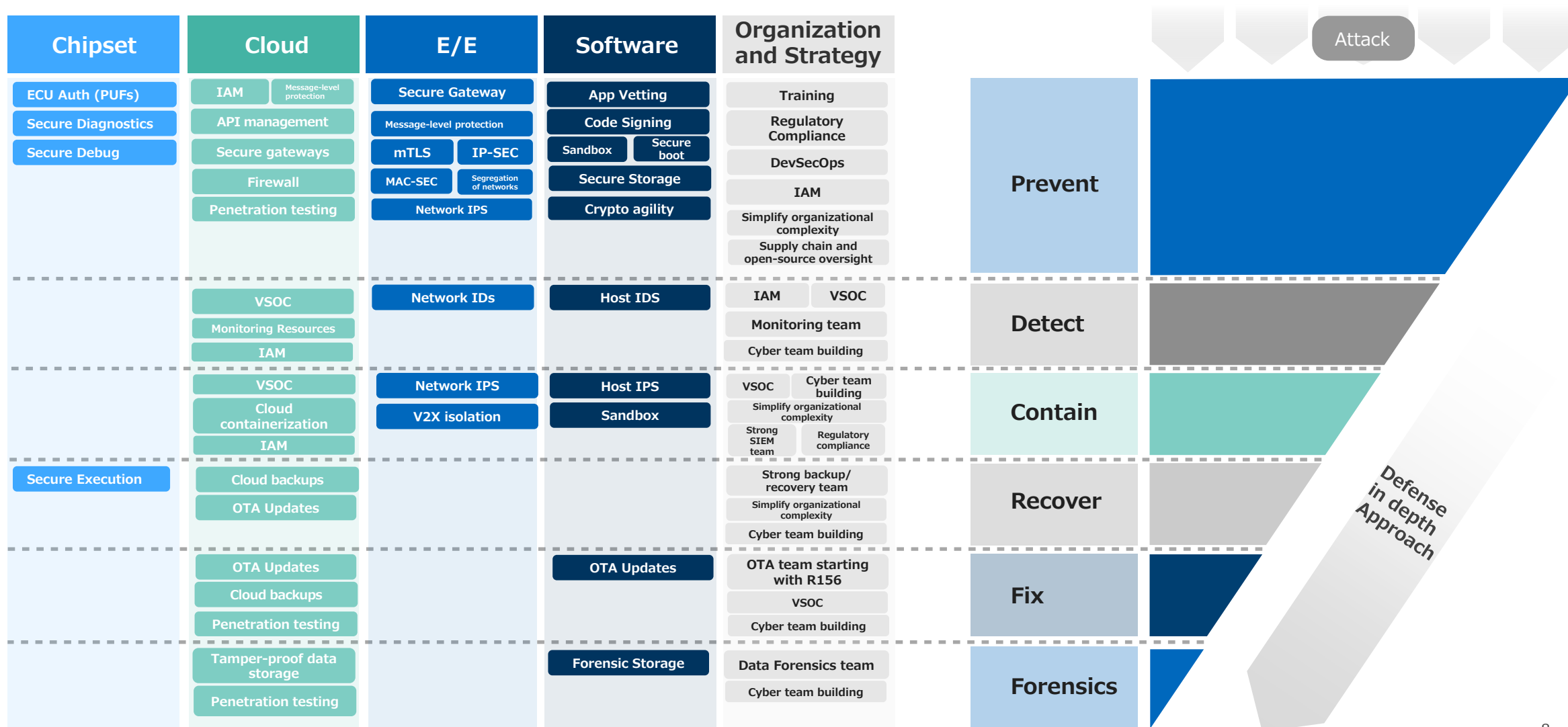
Right decisions on E/E architecture leads to increased vehicle safety, security, and system usability

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SDV calls for defence-in-depth with a secure by design approach

OEMs need to prioritize security decisions based on the impact of the functions they protect and move away from prioritizing primarily on attack feasibility. This multi-layered methodology should be the basis for any new vehicle development.





New features, software, technologies keep evolving, which requires continuous monitoring

Middleware

Signal-based communication (Classic AUTOSAR) has been replaced with service-oriented communication (Adaptive AUTOSAR), in which new applications can be easily integrated into the entire system. For OTA software updates, Adaptive AUTOSAR provides key functions for purposefully updating features and components. Classic AUTOSAR requires a full update of the application software. Adaptive AUTOSAR supports differential updates.

Virtualizing

A high-performance computing (HPC) system in E/E architecture is a centralized computing platform used to process large amounts of data and perform complex calculations. Both OEMs and suppliers are rolling out vehicle HPCs. The presence of such HPCs makes this new architecture vulnerable for cyber attacks, especially if strong security measures are not thoroughly considered. Centralized architecture may unify attackers to focus on the core

Centralized architecture drives the need for hypervisors. Hypervisors support multiple functionalities on the same device. Hypervisors allocate resources to the SDV virtual machine, providing a configurable, controllable interface between applications and the vehicle.

Known hypervisor vulnerabilities like device escape and memory corruption can have catastrophic effects on the vehicle when the combination of mixed criticality functions are running on the same core.

The technologies enable more advanced personalization features are being implemented in the vehicles. Biometrics is expected to be increasingly implemented in various areas, including vehicle access, user authentication, shared services, etc, which will expand beyond the basic safety authentication functions.

Managing the biometric data is a new task for security engineers as the increased privacy requirement.

Innovative Technologies

Looking forward, stakeholders need to consider to react to those emerging technologies, including quantum computing, Neuromorphic computing, Affective computing, mesh networking and 6G, Digital Twin, satellite networking, etc.

A process to evaluate the potential impact from these technologies need to be established and implement corresponding technologies to mitigate the risks.

Centralising

More personalization



Implementing security mechanism on Chipset is not straight-forward

Cyber assets	1	Complexity of the hardware architecture	Automotive SoC with multiple computing islands and heterogenous architecture is complex. Complex automotive SoC host powerful software functionality, which increases system vulnerabilities and threats. The security spans multiple computing nodes of different design and capabilities on the same chip. Meanwhile there are significant differences in SoC architecture at the different level of usage.
Impact	2	No easy fix for Semiconductor Chips	Software vulnerabilities cannot be fixed by patching and rebooting once they have been identified. Cybersecurity implementation in chipset requires a proactive product planning in the early phase of development . This puts a heightened emphasis on the identification and proactive design of strategies to mitigate potential vulnerabilities. Any chip vulnerability detected by an OEM late in the design cycle will delay the delivery of vehicles to customers.
Threat	3	Long lifecycle	Semiconductor chips are designed to maintain functionality for over a decade. The long lifecycle means a higher cost because security measures must be well-built to protect against threats that may emerge throughout the chip's operational lifespan .
Limitation	4	Hard to define the robustness	There is an increasing risk of cyberattacks and unauthorized access. The performance requirements are being enhanced so the security solution should be robust. It is difficult for manufacturers to validate the robustness of the chipset's cybersecurity countermeasures as the attack method is evolving daily.
Goals	5	Improved need for cryptographic processing	Due to the increasingly large amount of streaming data from sensors and cameras to serve new emerging SDV functionalities, it is hard for only one HSM in one ECU to handle the whole cryptographic processing. This is due to the high security demand on performance. Cryptographic platforms need to process large amounts of data in a time sensitive-manner. One option to meet the increasing need is to set several security processing modules outside HSM and to consider an embed security accelerator on the chip.
Solutions			



The shift to the cloud-trust

Secure Diagnostics

If the service tools provided to dealers and 3rd parties have no security mechanism applied, it can become a vulnerable point to be attacked. Hackers can utilize the chance to crack the security features and reverse-engineer the shared security keys on the tool itself.

One solution is to adopt a cloud-based crypto solution to prevent key sharing and support role-based authentication. By implementing the end-to-end authentication between the ECU and Cloud, the reliance on diagnostics tools can be further reduced to avoid associated risks.

Some OEMs are adopting the new ISO standard known as UDS service 0x29, which includes the key standards of making the diagnostics more secure, for example, the back-end authentication for diagnostic security access, compared to the older service 0x27 solution that relies on device security.

Advantages/strengths

Reduce the risks associated with the cryptographic keys stored in service tools.

Supports differentiated role-based authentication

Disadvantages/challenges

The implementation should consider some other legislation, for example, right to repair.

Requires a new diagnostics infrastructure to be deployed globally

Cost

Low	Medium	High
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Maturity

Theoretical	In development	Ready to use
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When it fits

Planning	Design	Development	Operations
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Where it fits

Prevent	Detect	Contain	Recover	Fix	Forensics
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Attack resistance

Spoofing:	High
Tampering:	Medium
Repudiation:	Low
Information Disclosure:	Low
Denial of Service:	High
Elevation of Privilege:	Medium



Threat modelling example – Threat analysis

	Assets	Cyber properties			Damage scenario	Impact Analysis			
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Cyber assets									
Impact									
Threat									
Limitation									
Goals									
Solutions									
V2X	Vehicle module storage	C	I	A	Safety impact resulting from the loss of confidentiality of the vehicle V2X module storage	M			
	Vehicle module storage	C	I	A	Operational and safety impact resulting from the loss of integrity of the vehicle module storage	M		H	
	Vehicle module runtime	C	I	A	Safety impact resulting from the loss of availability of the vehicle module runtime	M			
	Interface to HPC	C	I	A	Operational and Privacy losses resulting from loss of Confidentiality of diagnostics interface			H	M
	V2X wireless interface	C	I	A	Operational and safety loss resulting from loss of Availability of the vehicle V2X wireless interface	M		H	
	Vehicle Module	C	I	A	Safety, Financial, Operational and Privacy loss resulting from loss of Integrity of the V2X vehicle module	H	M	H	M
HPC	HPC communication interfaces	C	I	A	Safety and Operational loss resulting due to loss of Availability of the HPC comms interfaces	H		H	
	ADAS sensor safety critical data	C	I	A	Safety and Operational loss resulting due to loss of integrity of the ADAS sensor safety critical data	H		H	
	HPC storage	C	I	A	Privacy losses due to extraction of raw in-vehicle operational data from the HPC storage, resulting in loss of confidentiality				H
	HPC runtime	C	I	A	Safety impact resulting from the loss of availability of the vehicle's HPC runtime	H			
FaaS	Vehicle configuration	C	I	A	Safety and Operational impact due to loss of the integrity of the vehicle configuration	H		H	
Edge computing	In-vehicle module	C	I	A	Safety and Operational impact due to loss of integrity of the Edge computing in-vehicle module	H	M	H	

Impact Analysis – H – High M – Medium L – Low

Cyber Properties – C – Confidentiality, I – Integrity, A – Availability



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