



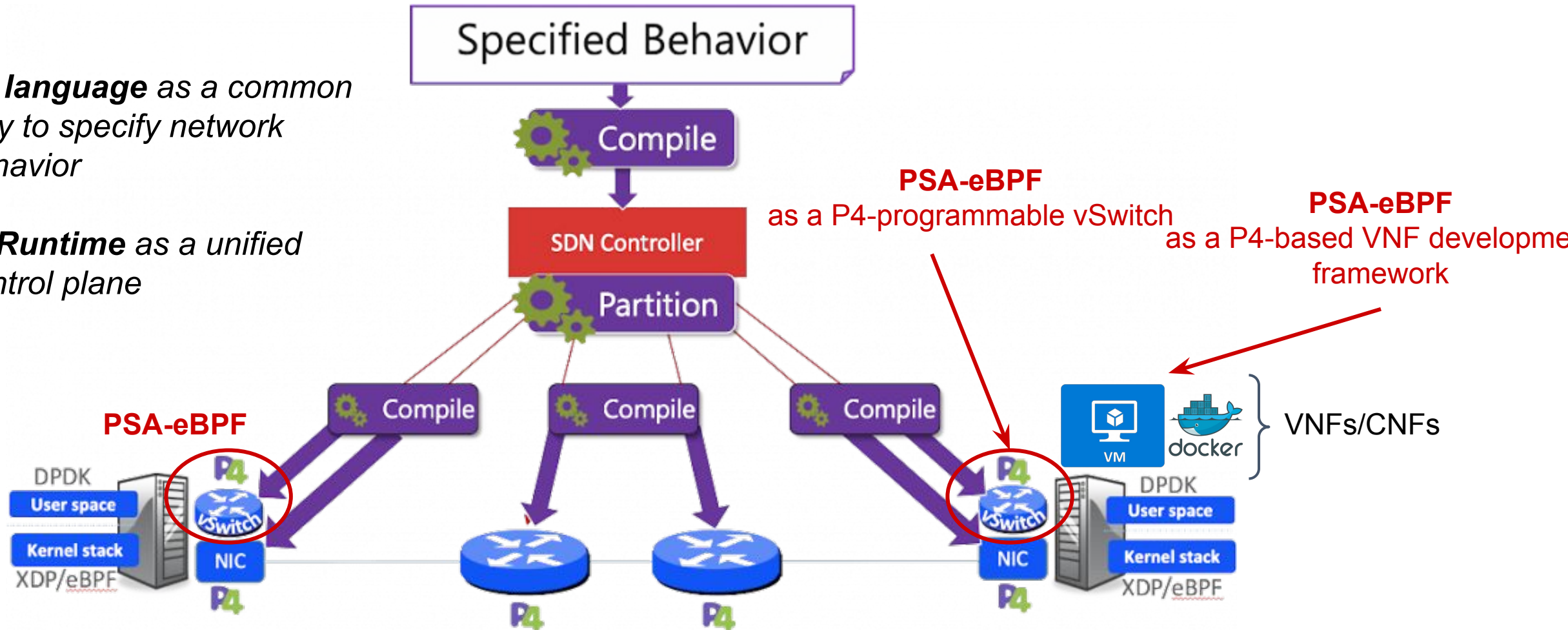
PSA-eBPF: Portable Switch Architecture for eBPF

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PSA-eBPF in the E2E programmable platform

P4 language as a common way to specify network behavior

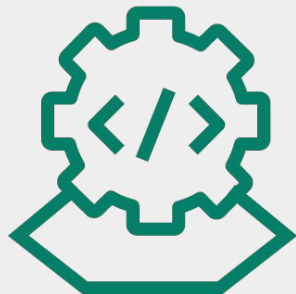
P4Runtime as a unified control plane



Announcing PSA-eBPF

- New extension to the eBPF backend of the open-source P4 compiler!
- Feature-rich Portable Switch Architecture (PSA) enables more use cases!
- psabpf API + psabpf-ctl CLI tool to load & manage PSA/eBPF programs

PSA-eBPF compiler



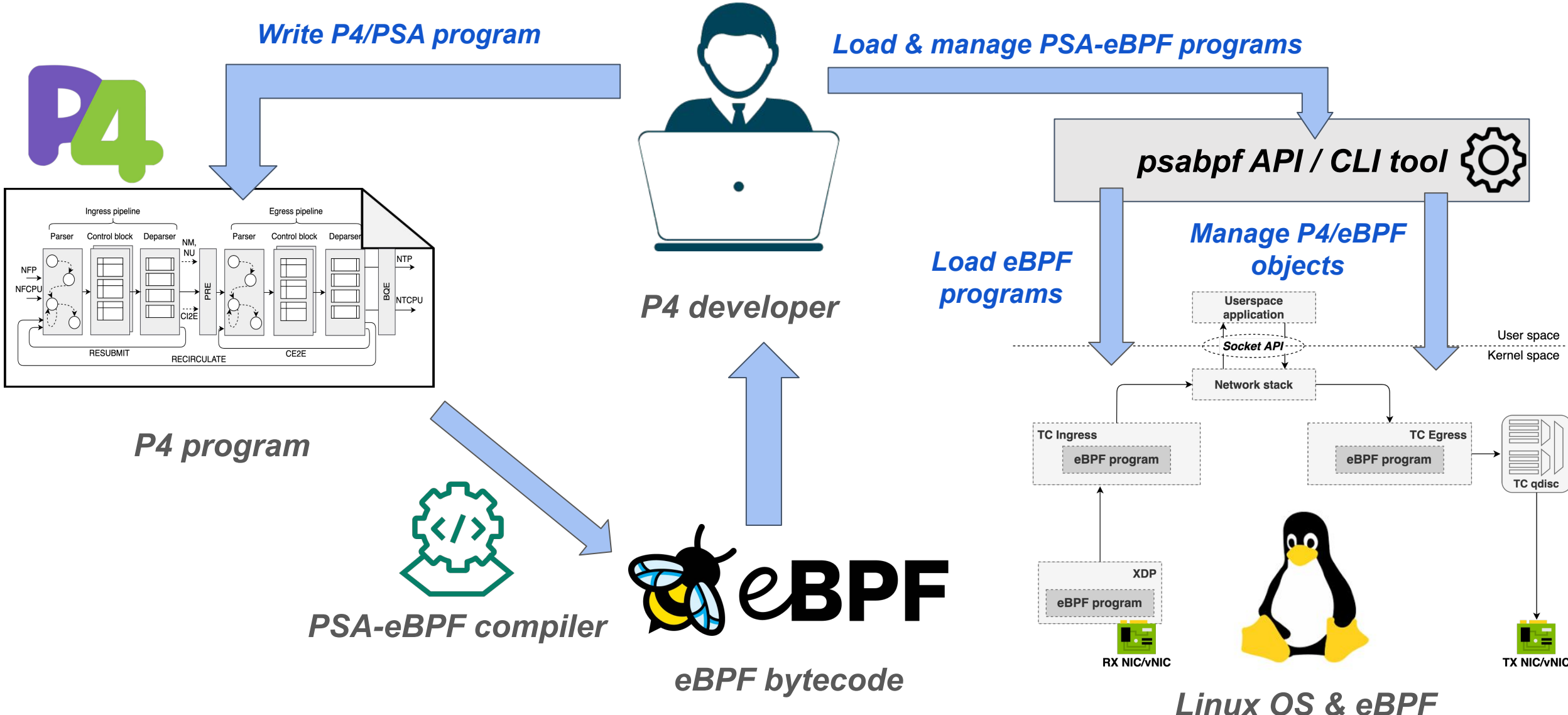
psabpf API / CLI tool



github.com/p4lang/p4c/tree/main/backends/ebpf/psa

github.com/P4-Research/psabpf

Overview of the PSA-eBPF workflow



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- psabpf C API + CLI tool
 - low-level C API to be used by control plane stack (e.g., P4Runtime)

Next steps

- Learn more:
 - Watch the P4 workshop tutorial:
“Deep dive & Getting started with PSA implementation for eBPF”
 - Visit [the PSA-eBPF documentation site](#)
- Start playing with PSA-eBPF:
 - Re-produce the [PSA-eBPF demo implementing a basic load balancer, rate limiter & QoS](#)
 - [Run PSA-eBPF with Mininet](#)
- Feel free to [open Github issues](#) to report a bug or ask questions!
- Reach out to us on [#p4-ebpf](#) channel in the [P4 Lang Slack](#)



Thank You

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