

Introductory and Advanced Topics on P4 Programmable Data Plane Switches

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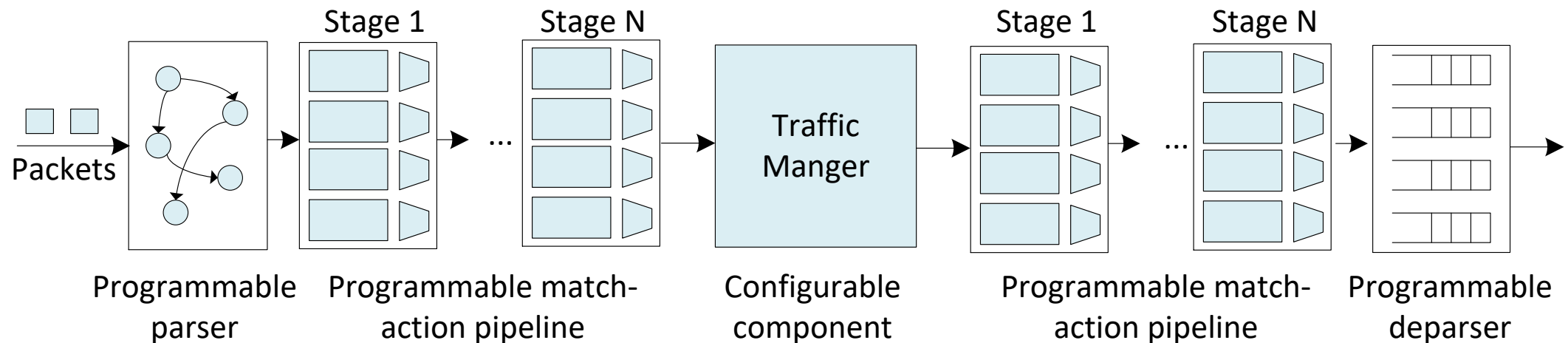
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P4 Program Building Blocks

Lab activities are described in Lab 3, P4 Programmable Data Plane Switches (BMv2) lab series

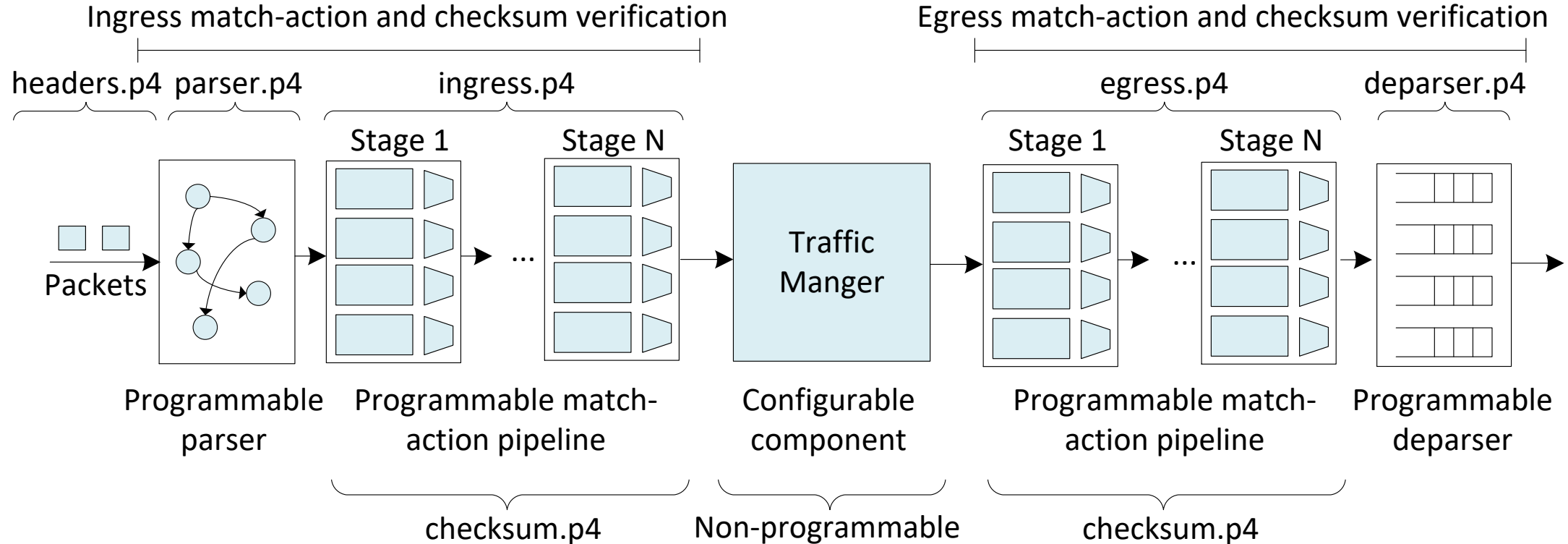
V1 Model

- Common P4₁₆ architecture used with BMv2
- Implemented on top of BMv2's *simple_switch* target
- It consists of a programmable parser, an ingress match action pipeline, a traffic manager, an egress match-action pipeline, and a deparser



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Lab Topology and Objectives

- The topology consists of two hosts: h1 and h2; one P4 switch: s1
- Mapping the P4 program components to the components of the programmable pipeline
- Trace the lifecycle of a packet as it traverses the pipeline

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root@s1: /behavioral-model
root@s1:/behavioral-model# simple_switch -i 0@s1-eth0 -i 1@s1-eth1 basic.json &
[1] 34
root@s1:/behavioral-model# Calling target program-options parser
Adding interface s1-eth0 as port 0
Adding interface s1-eth1 as port 1
```

