

P4
Programming Protocol-Independent Packet Processors

Structure

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What is P4?

"P4 is a high-level language for programming protocol-independent packet processors"

1.P4 is a language.

2.P4: Protocol-Independent

3.P4 Object: Switches

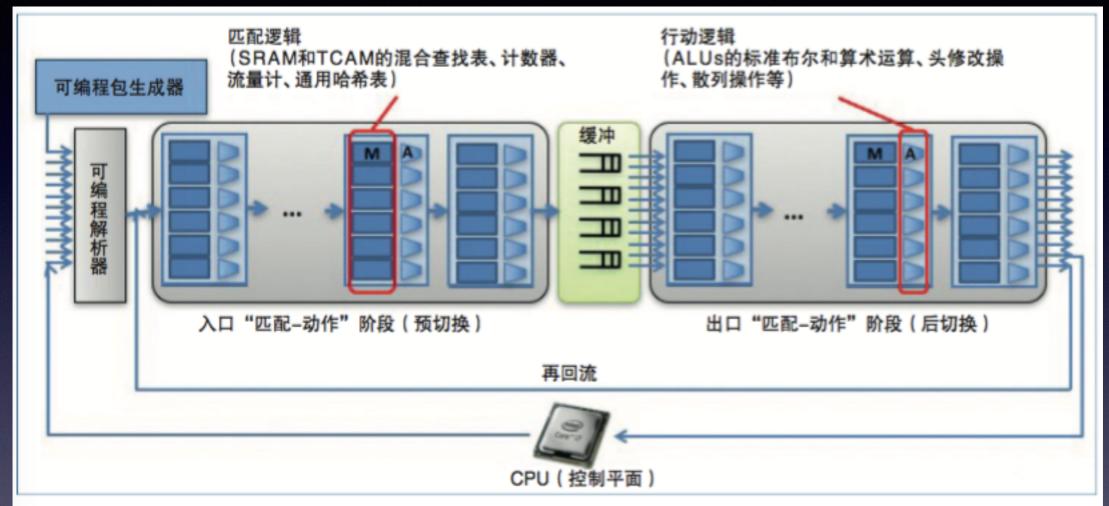


图2 协议无关的交换机架构。到达PISA交换机的数据包先由可编程的解析器解析,再通过入口侧一系列的 "匹配-动作"阶段,然后经由队列系统交换,由出口"匹配-动作"阶段再次处理,最后重新组装发送 到输出端口

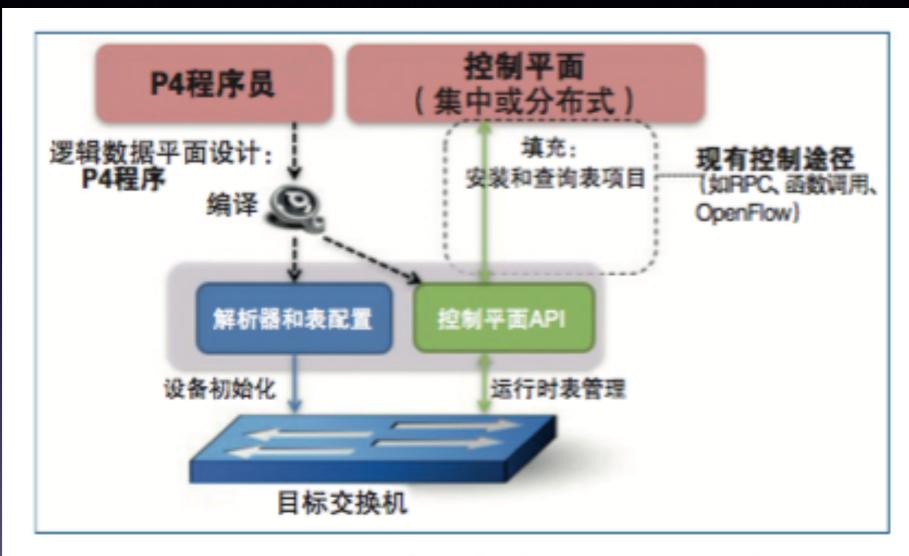


图1 P4是编程交换机数据平面的语言

P4 Language

Features:

- 1. Protocol Independent
- 2. Target Independent
- 3. Field Reconfigurable

- Components:
- 1. Header
- · 2. Parser
- · 3. Table (Match)
- 4. Action
- 5. Control Program

Header

```
header_type ethernet_t {
    fields {
        dstAddr: 48;
        srcAddr: 48;
        etherType : 16;
```

Parser

```
parser parse_ethernet {
    extract(ethernet);
    return select(latest.etherType) {
        ETHERTYPE_IPV4 : parse_ipv4;
        default: ingress;
    }
}
```

Table and Action

```
table dmac {
    reads {
        ethernet.dstAddr : exact;
    actions {
        forward;
        broadcast;
    size : 512;
```

Control Program

```
control ingress {
    apply(smac);
    apply(dmac);
    ecmp_process();
}
```

Demo

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Q&A

Thank you!