

Early Experiences Proving the Correctness of a Network Stack Implementation

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Everything in its right place



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Everything in its right place

- Correct
- Reliable
- Secure
- Confidential
- Efficient

Tools and methodologies mature enough?



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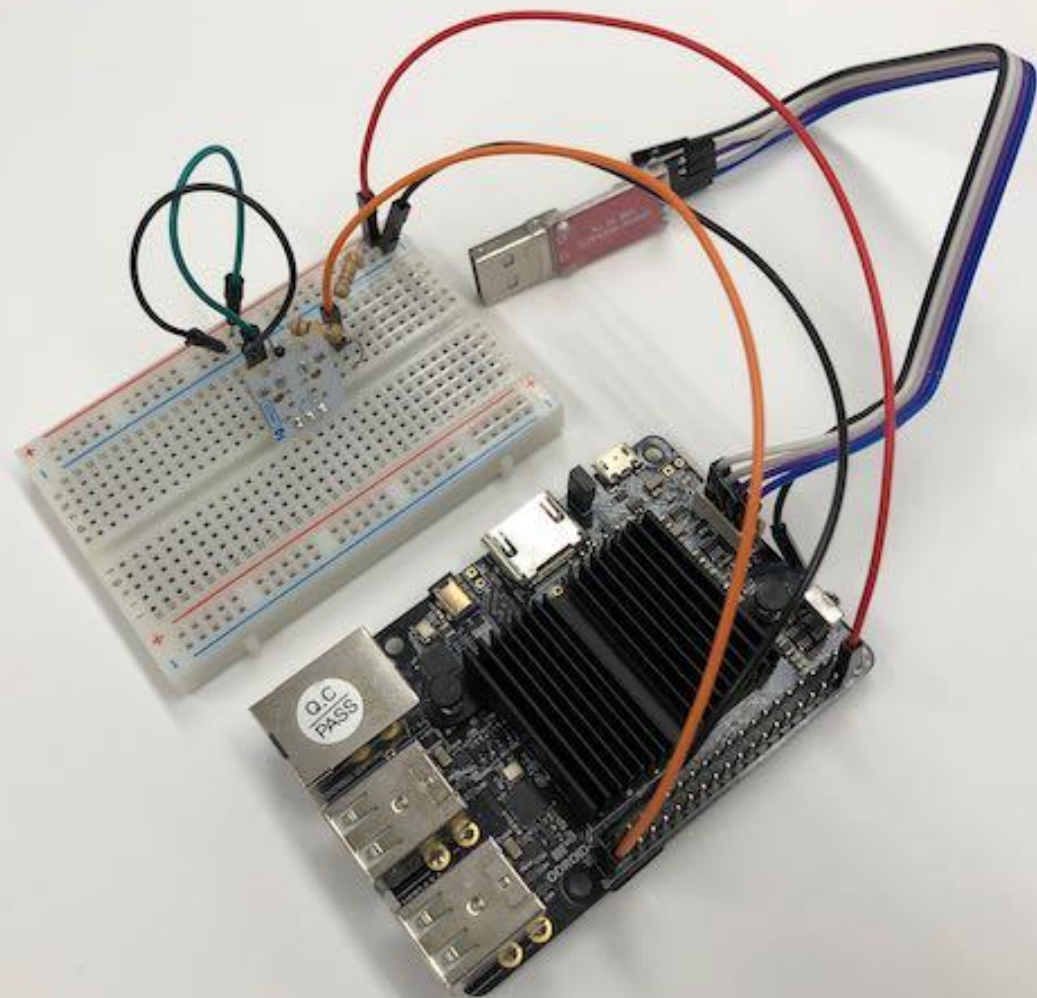


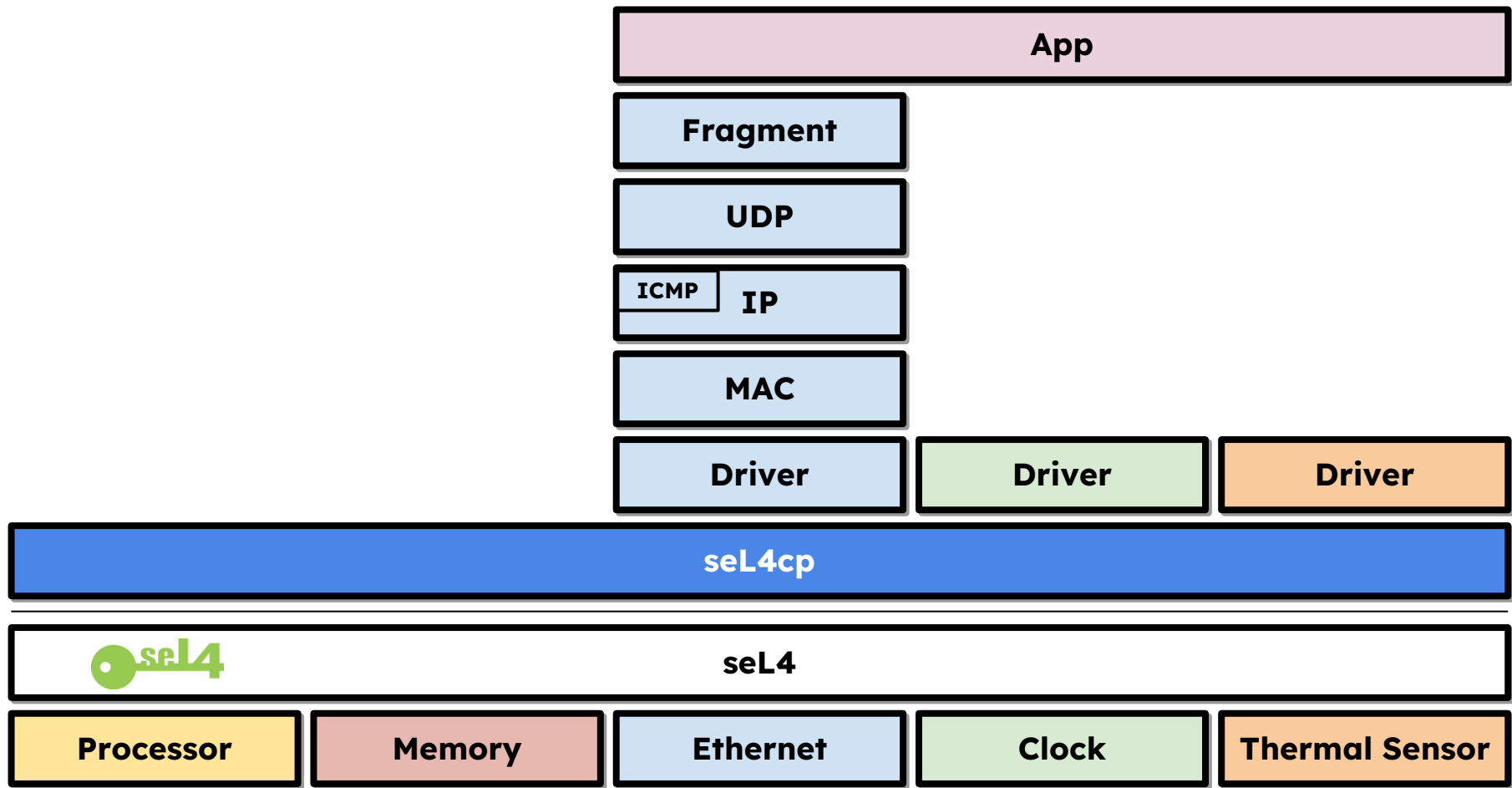
Teaching important (new) skills

- Build*
- Correctness*



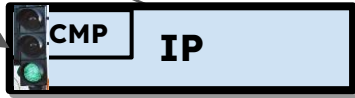
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Functions

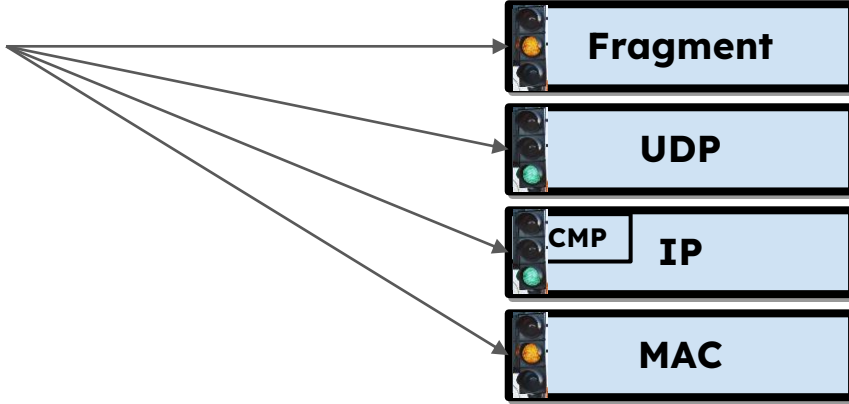


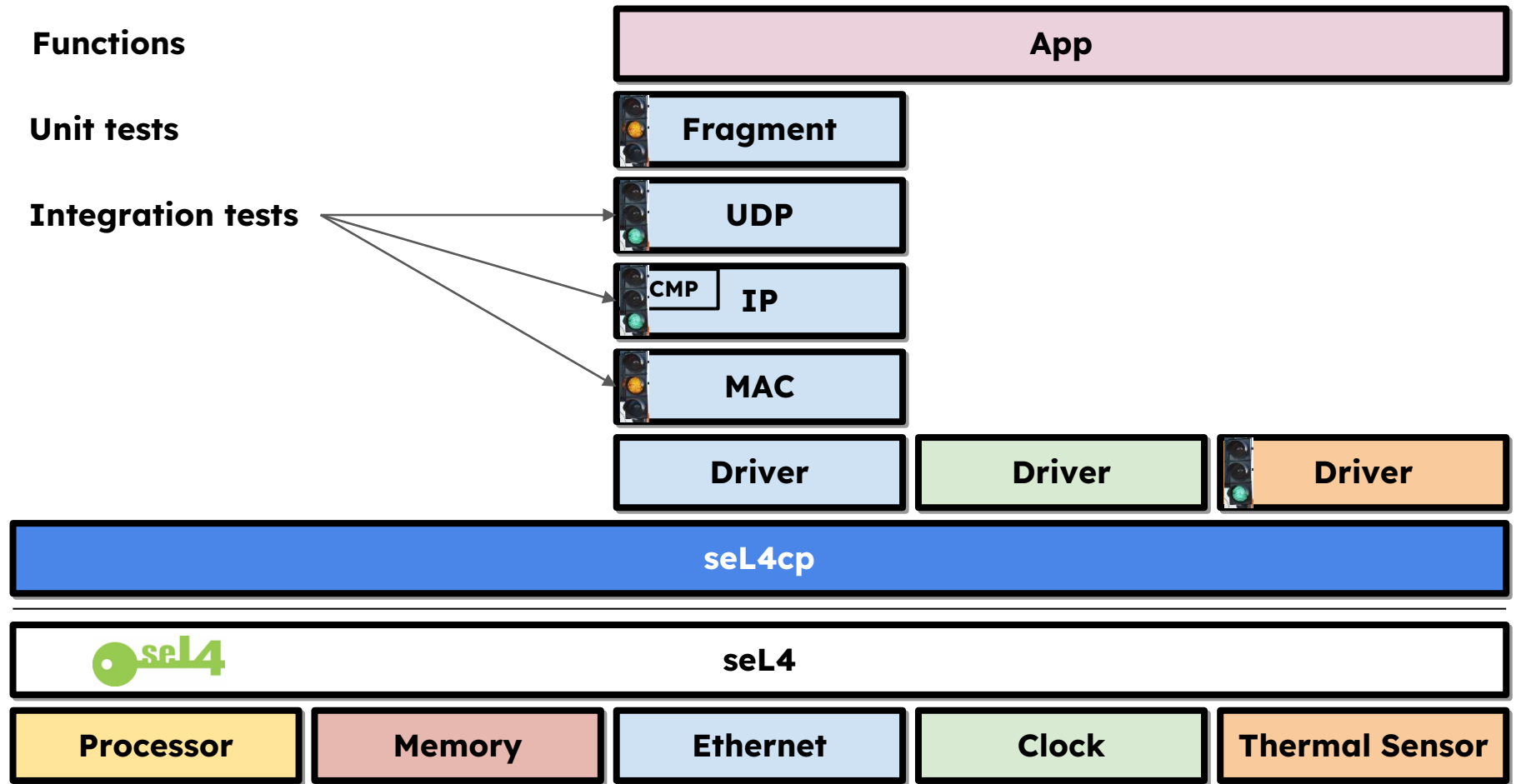


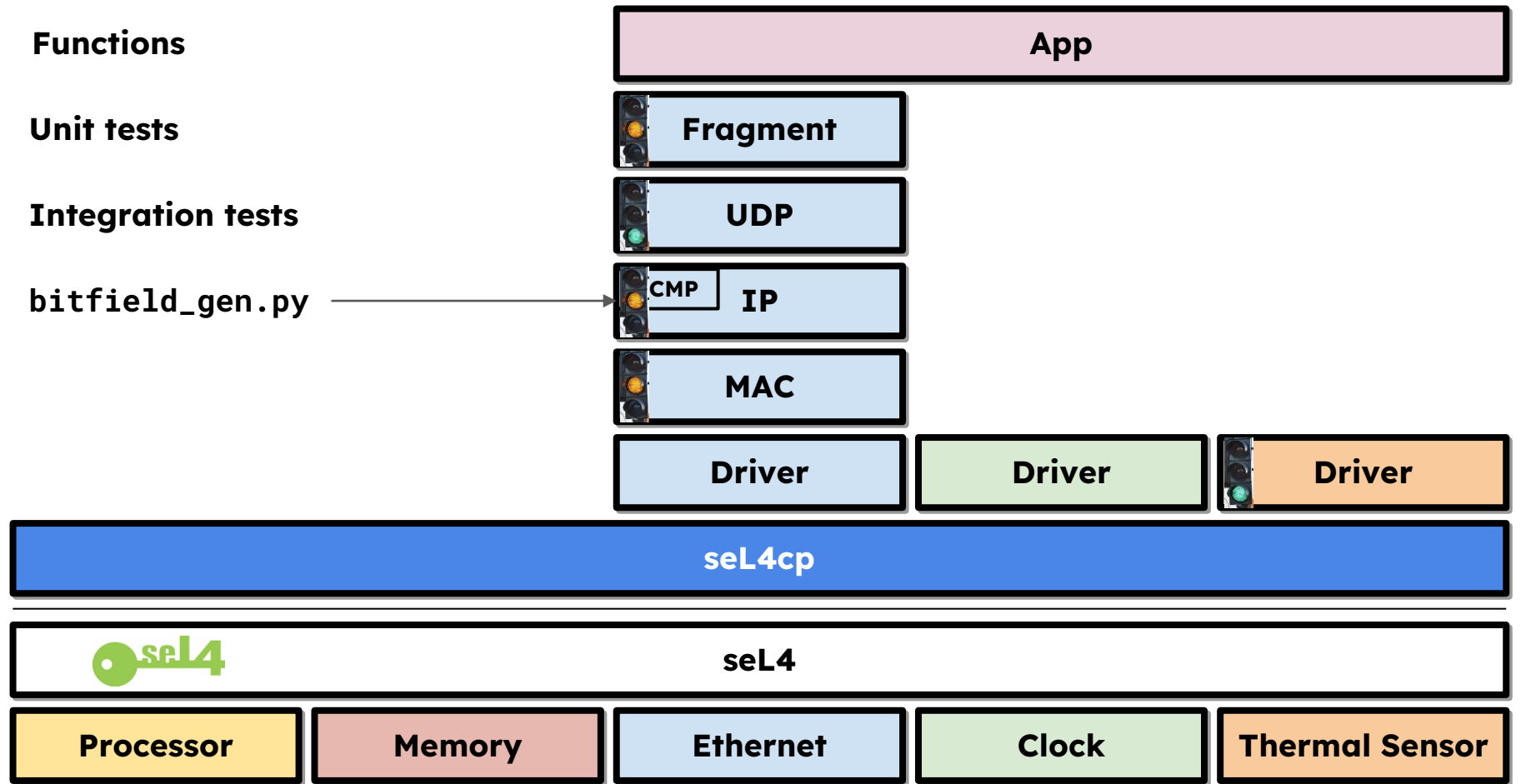
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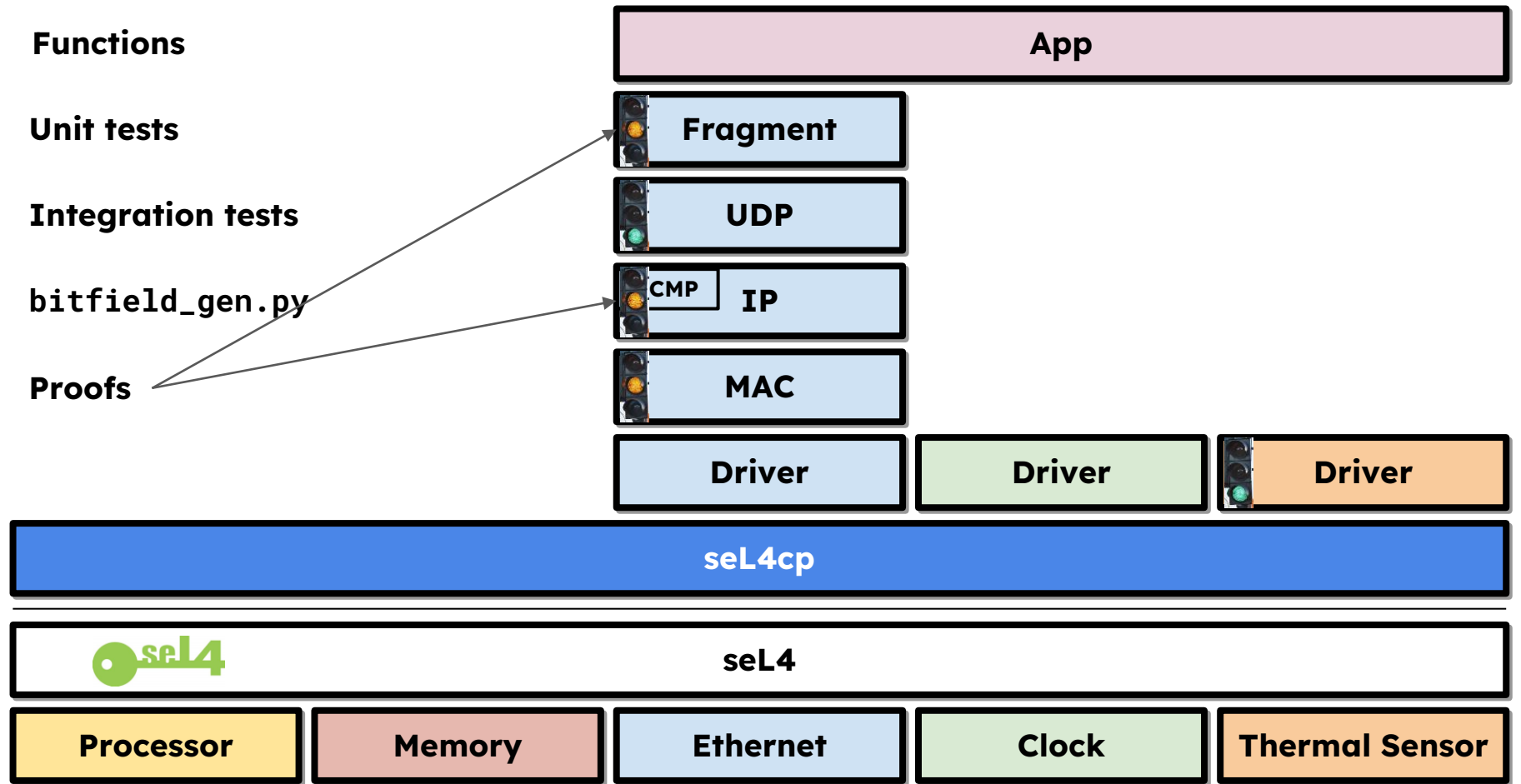


Unit tests











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Integration tests

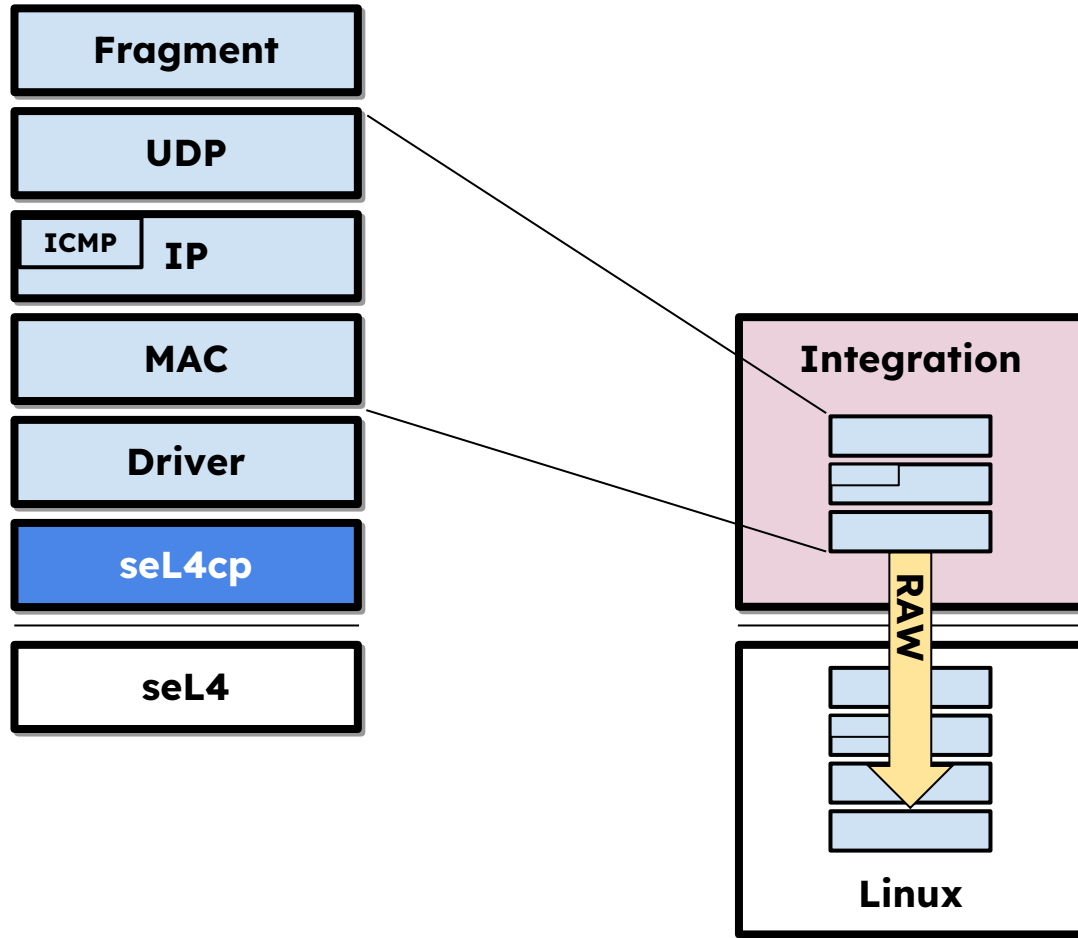


`bitfield_gen.py`



Proofs







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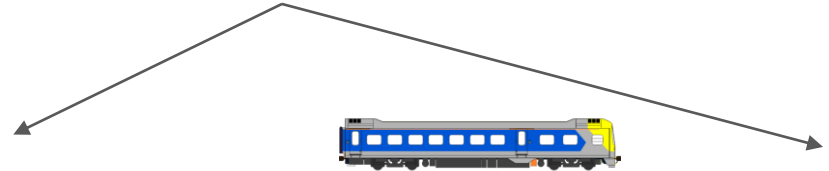




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holes



fragment :: interval
hole :: interval
interval $\equiv \{ \text{position, length} \}$



fragment: contiguous bytes

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initial state: a single big hole

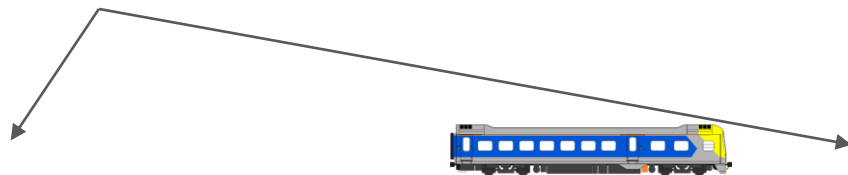


a single, smaller hole





n holes $\Rightarrow (n + 1)$ (smaller) holes





existing hole shrinks from the left



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existing hole shrinks from the right



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existing hole is filled perfectly



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```

int reassemble(struct fragment *f) {
    struct hole *h = container_of(hole_list.next, struct hole, node);
    while (h != container_of(&hole_list, struct hole, node)) {

        if (f->first > h->last) goto next;                // step 2
        if (f->last < h->first) goto next;                // step 3
        list_del(&h->node);                                // step 4
        if (f->first > h->first)                            // step 5
            list_add_tail(&hole_list, &hole_new(h->first, f->first - 1)->node);
        if (f->last < h->last && f->more)                  // step 6
            list_add_tail(&hole_list, &hole_new(f->last + 1, h->last)->node);
        free(h);
        break;
    next:
        h = container_of(h->node.next, struct hole, node); // step 7 and 1
    }
    if (list_is_empty(&hole_list)) return 1;             // step 8

    return 0;
}

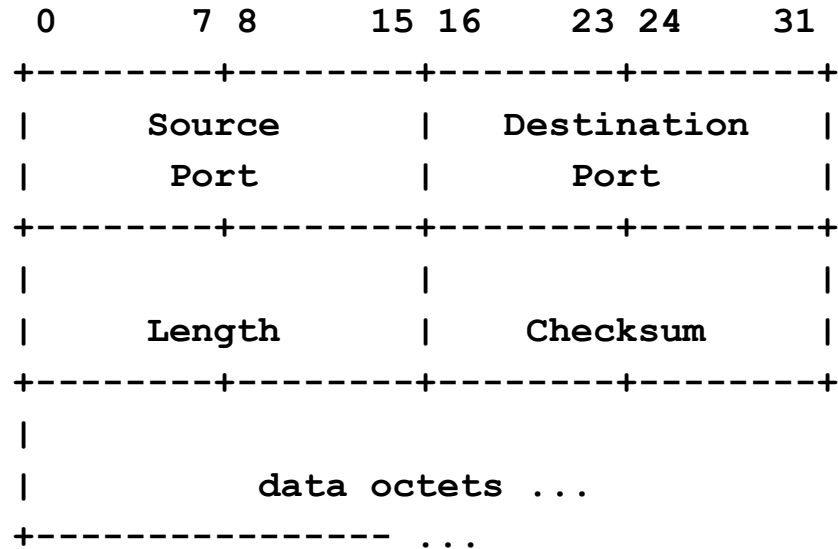
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```

fun process1 :: "interval  $\Rightarrow$  interval  $\Rightarrow$  interval list" where
  "process1 h f = (
    if h = f
    then []
    else if beg h < beg f  $\wedge$  beg f + len f < beg h + len h
    then split_hole_c h f
    else if beg h = beg f
    then split_hole_l h f
    else
      split_hole_r h f)"

```



User Datagram Header Format

Checksum is the 16-bit one's complement of the one's complement sum of a pseudo header of information from the IP header, the UDP header, and the data, padded with zero octets at the end (if necessary) to make a multiple of two octets.

```

    /* Compute Internet Checksum for "count" bytes
       *           beginning at location "addr".
       */
register long sum = 0;

while( count > 1 ) {
    /* This is the inner loop */
    sum += * (unsigned short) addr++;
    count -= 2;
}

/* Add left-over byte, if any */
if( count > 0 )
    sum += * (unsigned char *) addr;

/* Fold 32-bit sum to 16 bits */
while (sum>>16)
    sum = (sum & 0xffff) + (sum >> 16);

checksum = ~sum;

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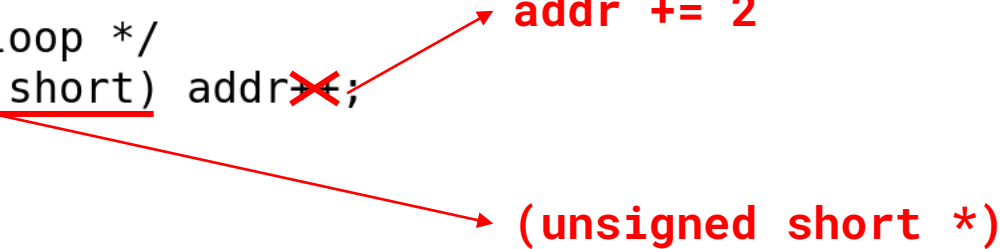
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wrong in big endian

Terminal - alain@laptop: ~

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little endian
alain@laptop:~$ ./checksum
checksum of an 8-byte message: f2dd
checksum of a 7-byte message: fbdc
alain@laptop:~$ █
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Terminal - user@debian-powerpc: ~

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big endian
user@debian-powerpc:~$ ./checksum
checksum of an 8-byte message: ddf2
checksum of a 7-byte message: e7f0
user@debian-powerpc:~$ █
```

```
theory Word_16
imports
  More_Word
  Signed_Words
begin
```

```
lemma len16: "len_
simp
```

```
lemma word16_and_m
  <x AND 0xFFFF =
```

```
theory More_Word
imports
  "HOL-Library.Word"
  More_Arithmetic
  More_Divides
begin
```

```
lemma unat power lower [simp]:
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```
theory Word
imports
  "HOL-Library.Type_Length"
begin
```

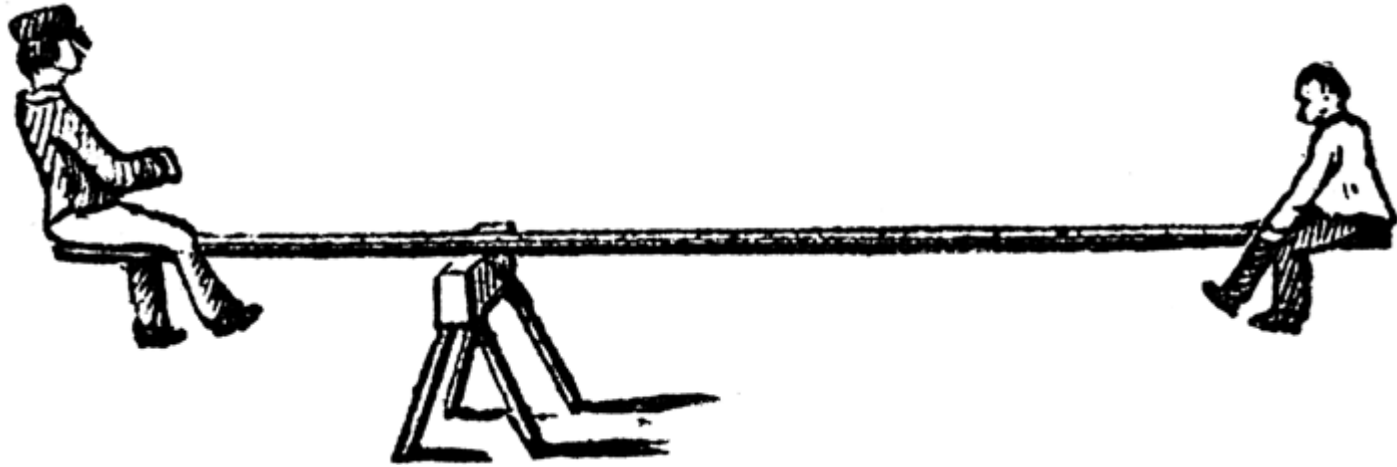
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morphisms rep Word by (auto intro!: equivpI reflpI sympI transpI)
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```
...
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```
theory Type_Length
imports
  Numeral_Type"
begin

class len0 =
  fixes len_of :: "'a itself ⇒ nat"
  ...
```



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