

# Network Extensions for Modern macOS

Taking the kernel out of Network Kernel Extensions

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# Thank you for your feedback.

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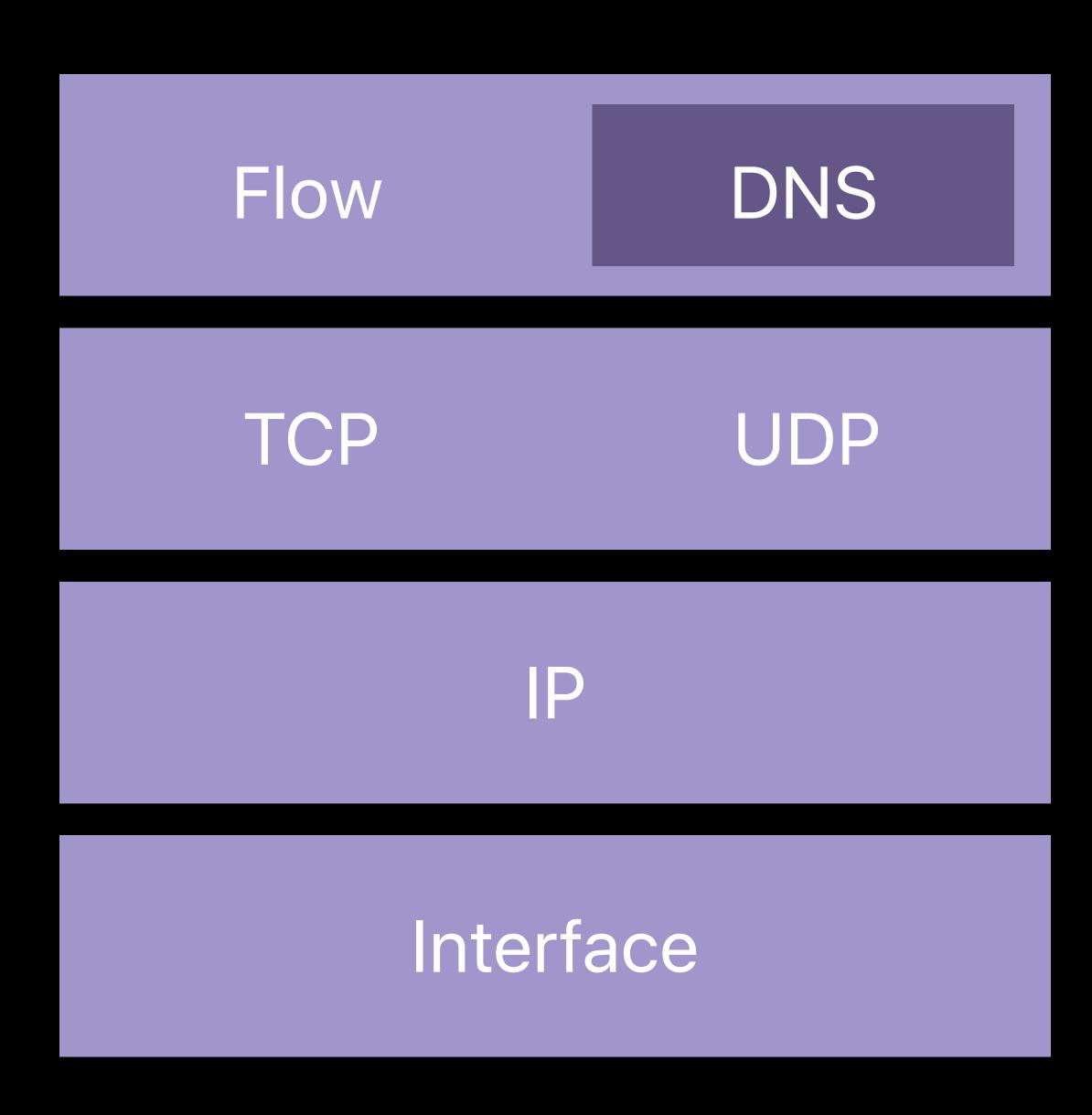
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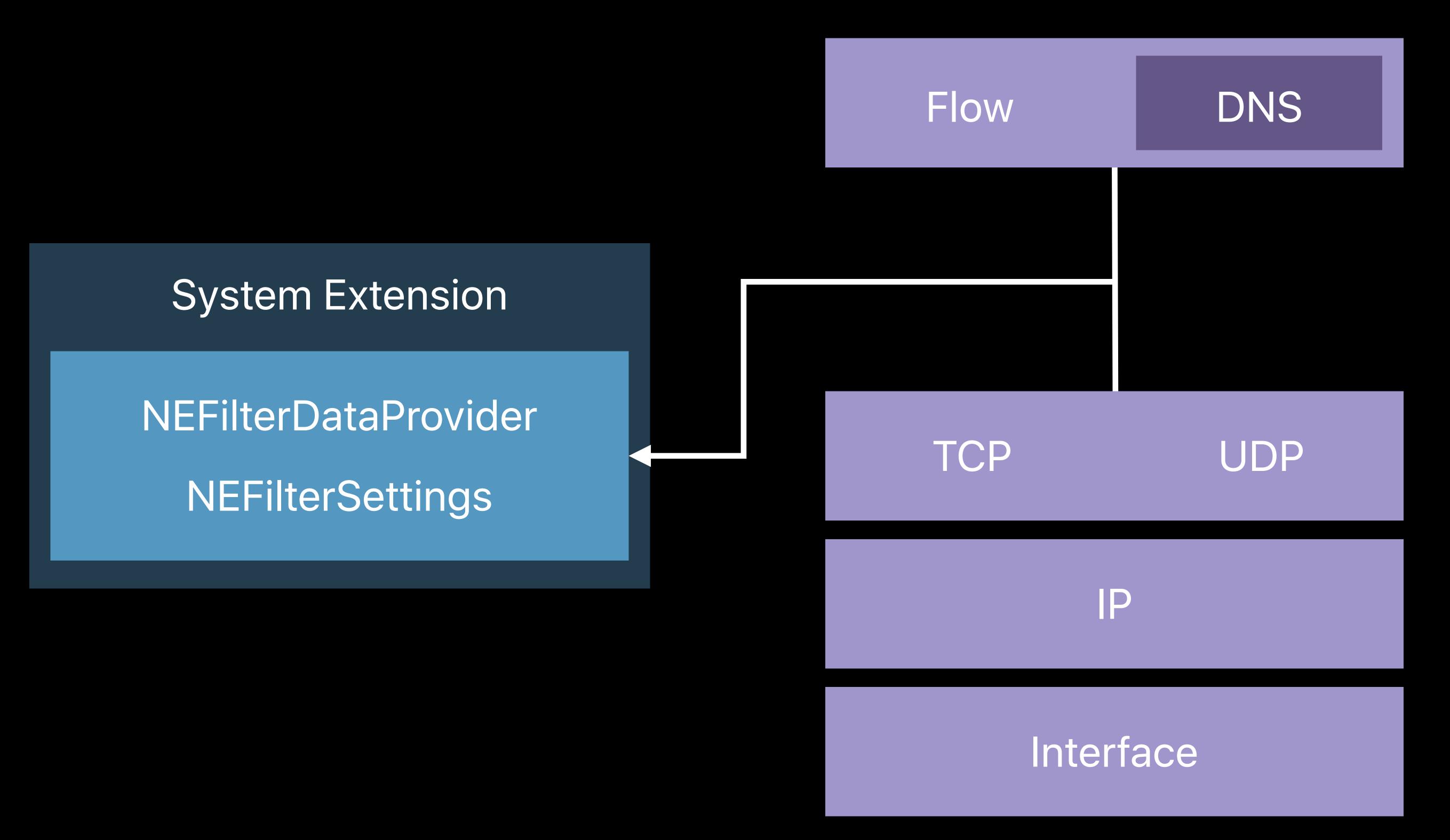
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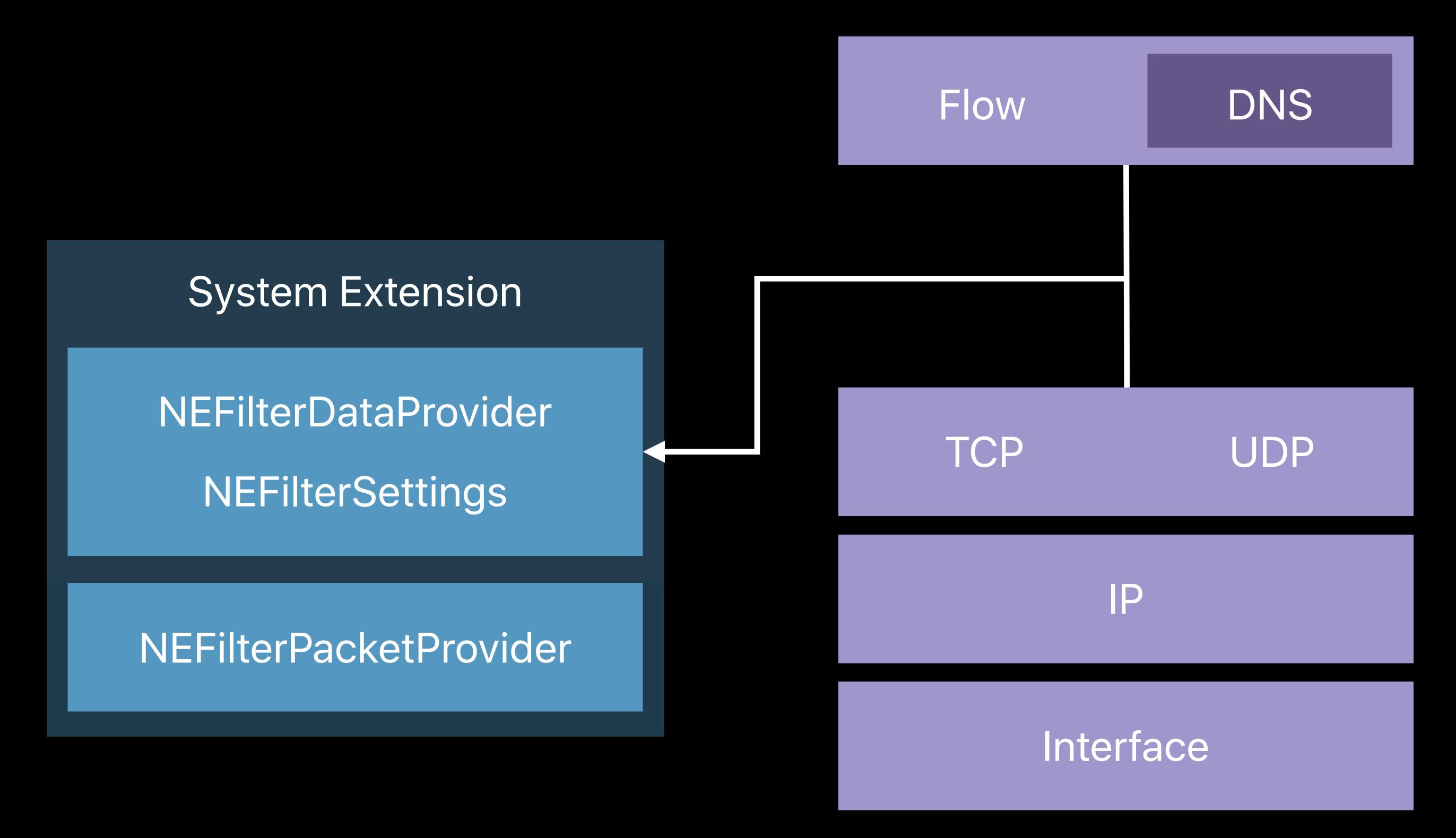


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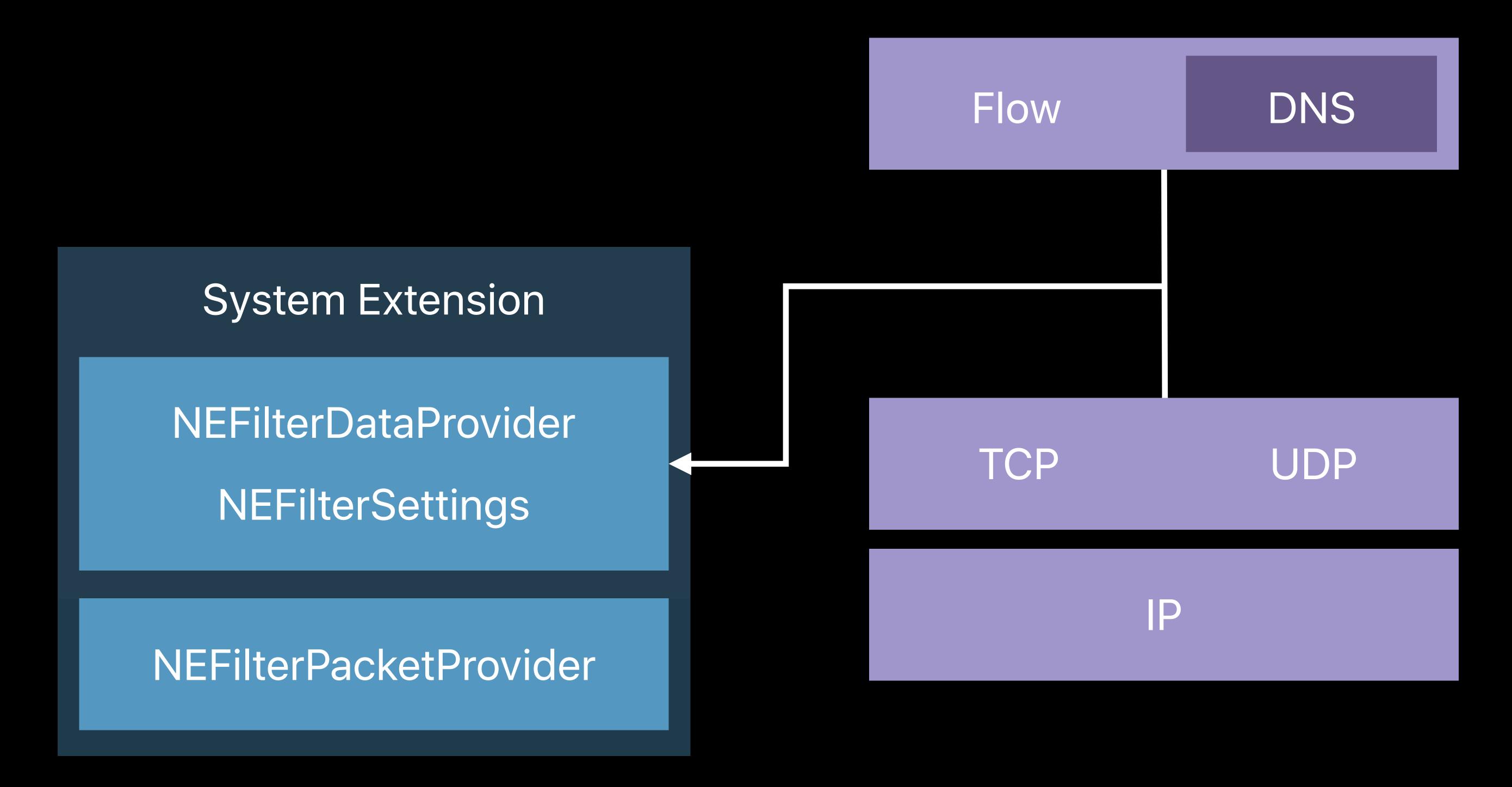


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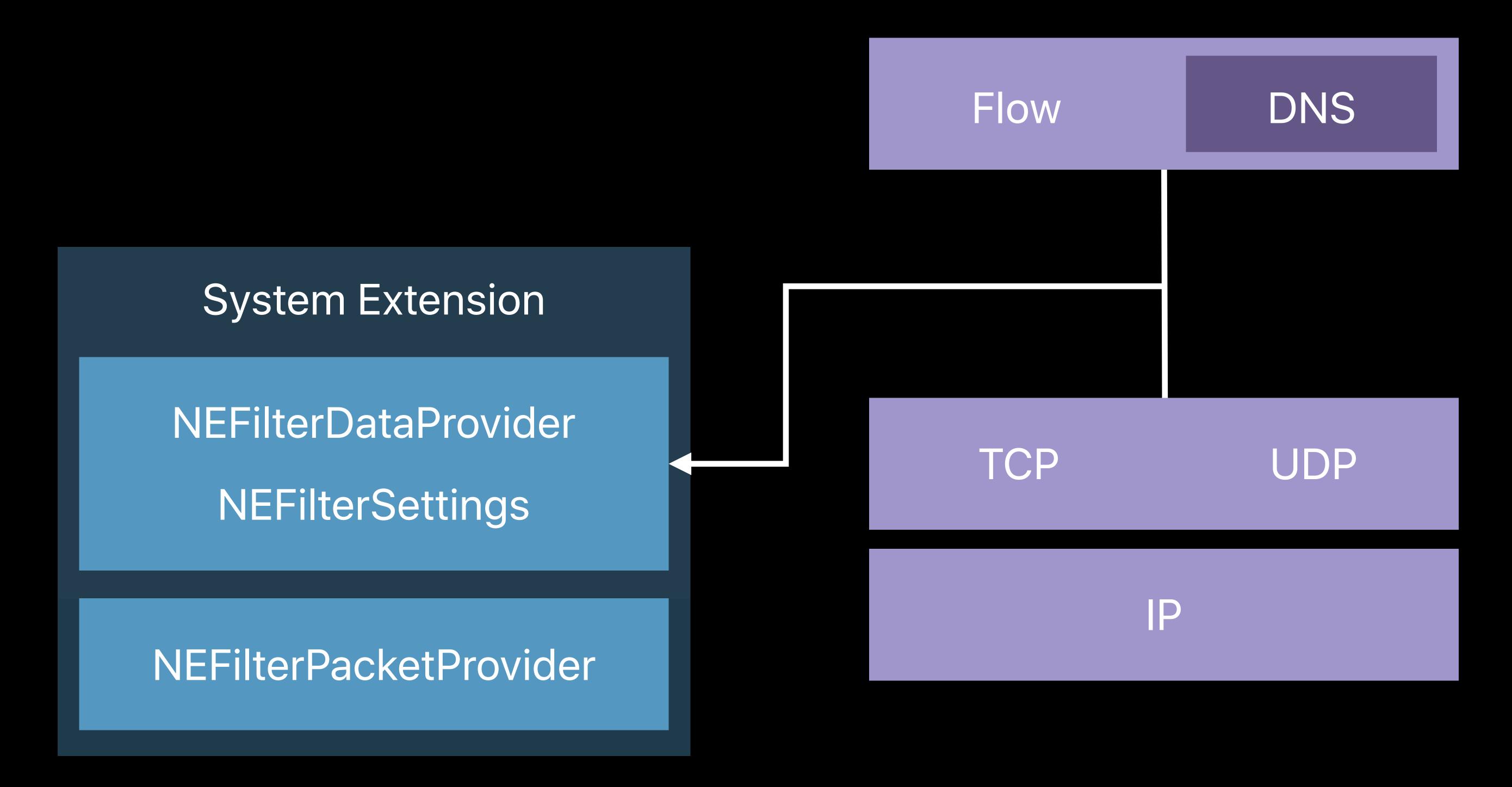
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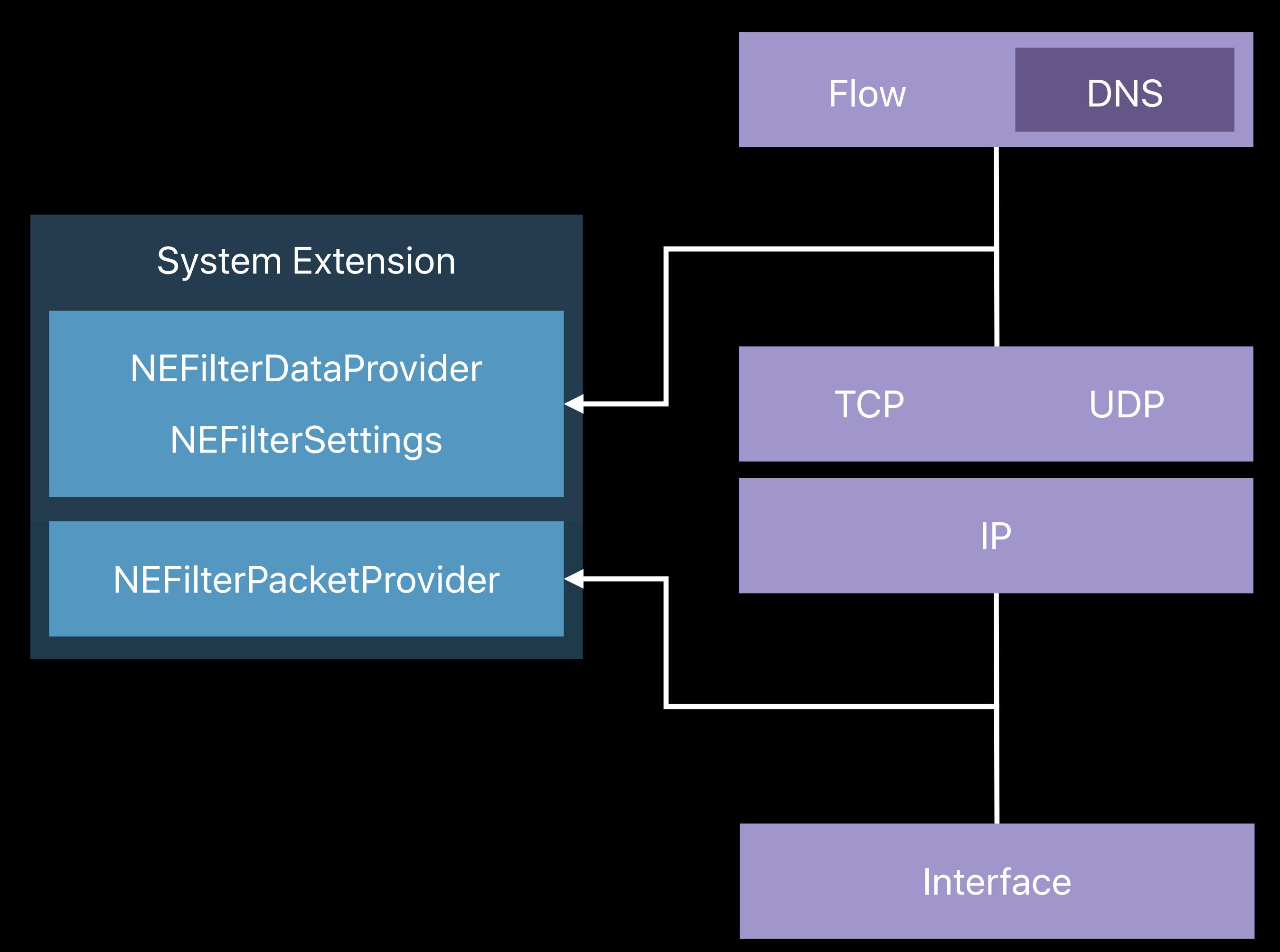
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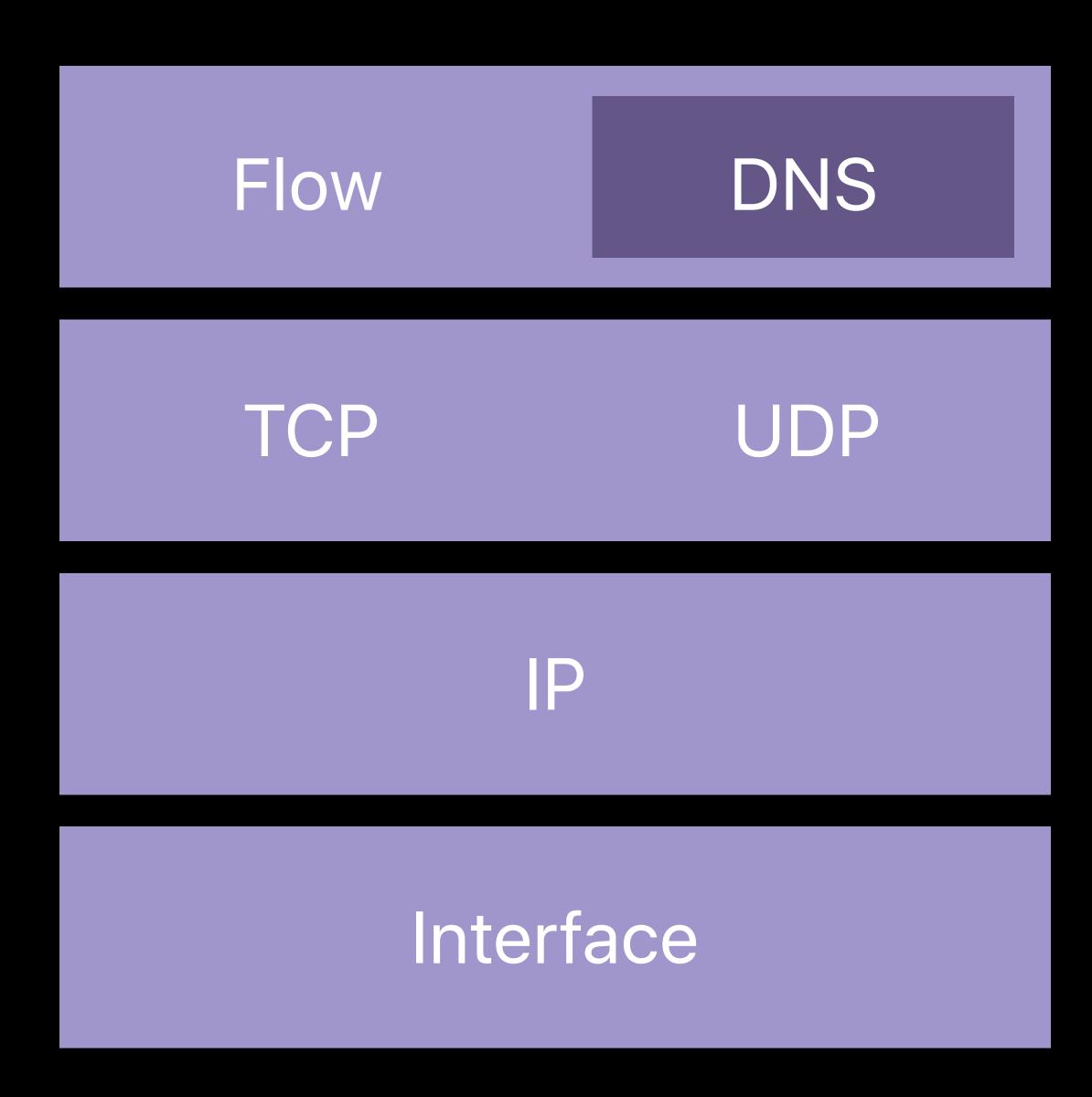
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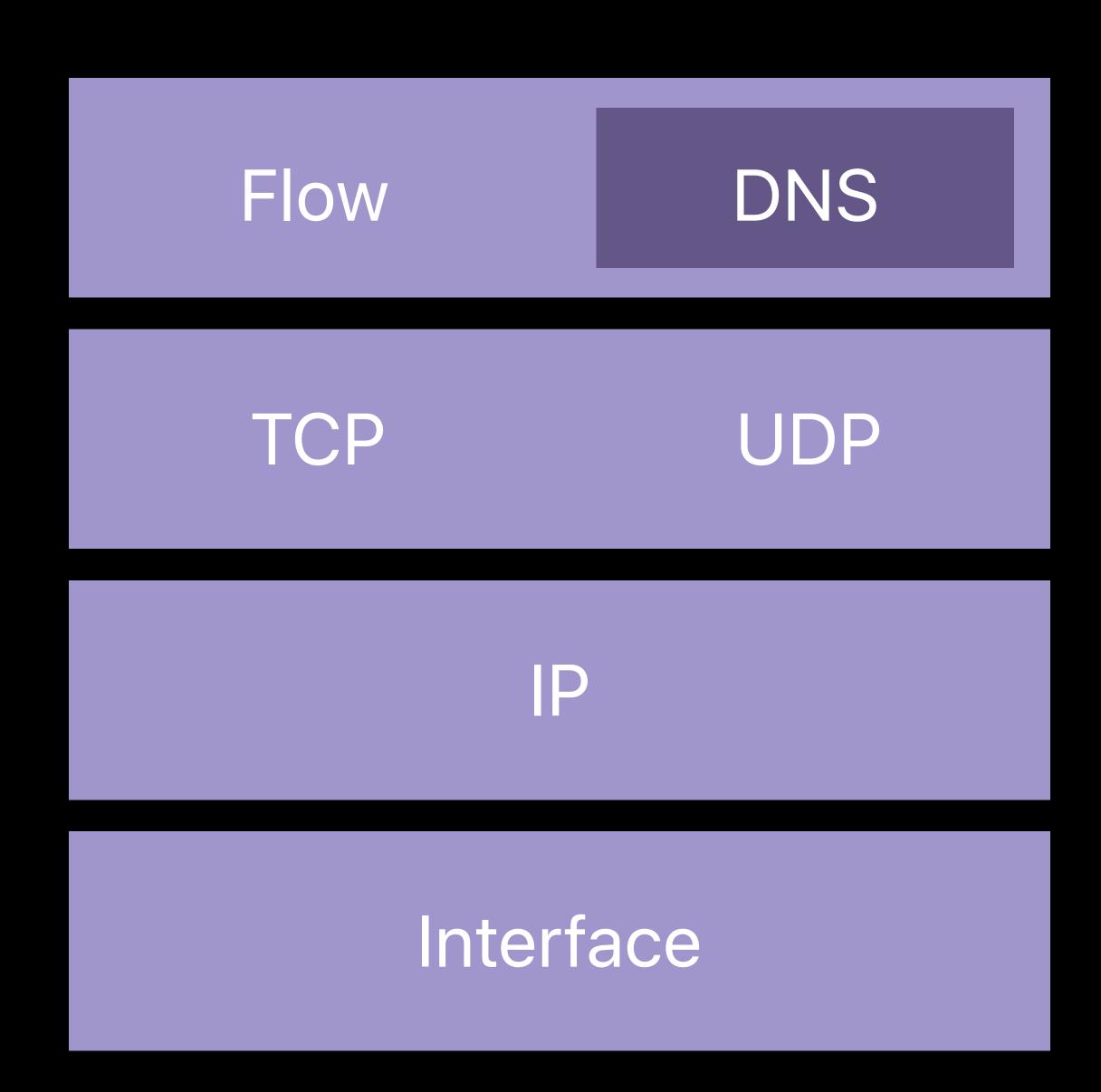
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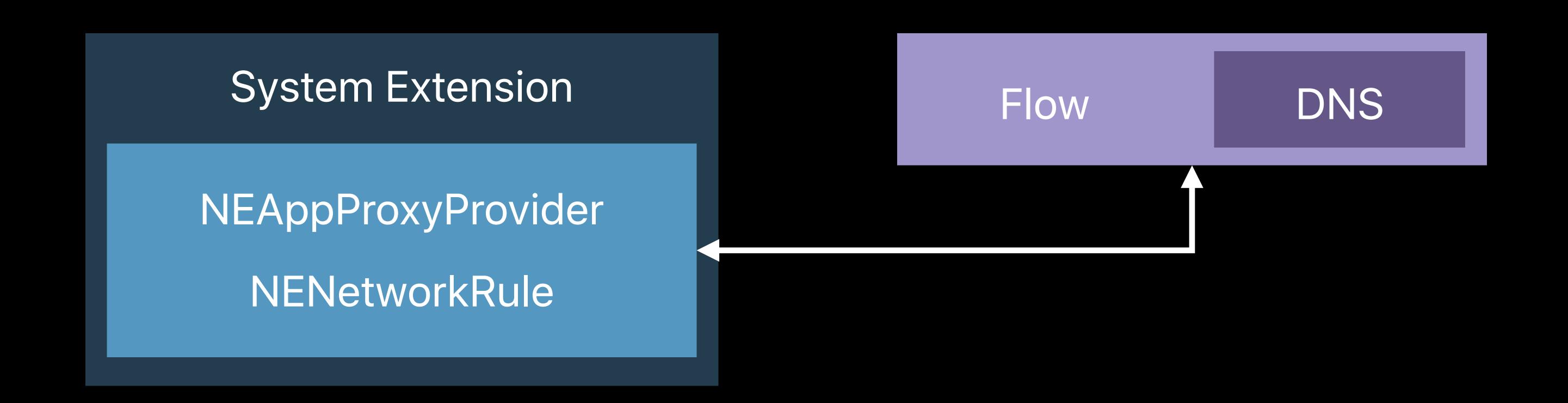


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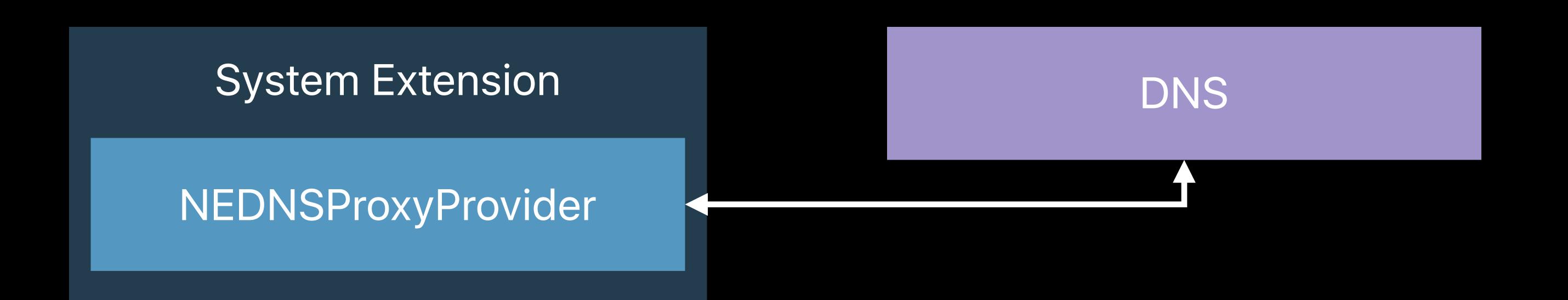
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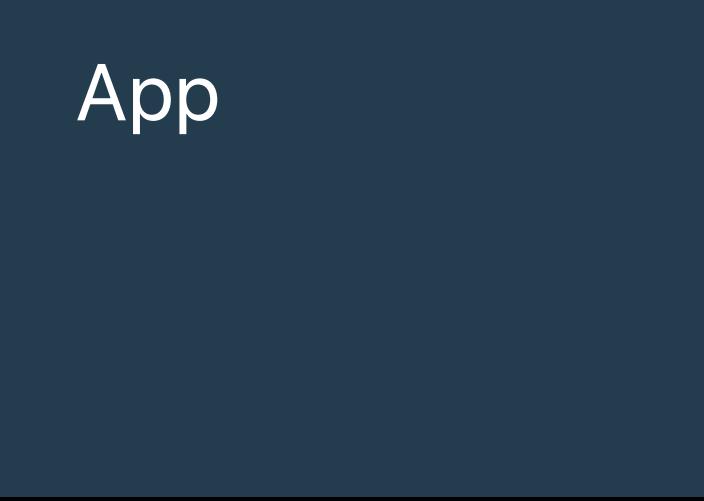
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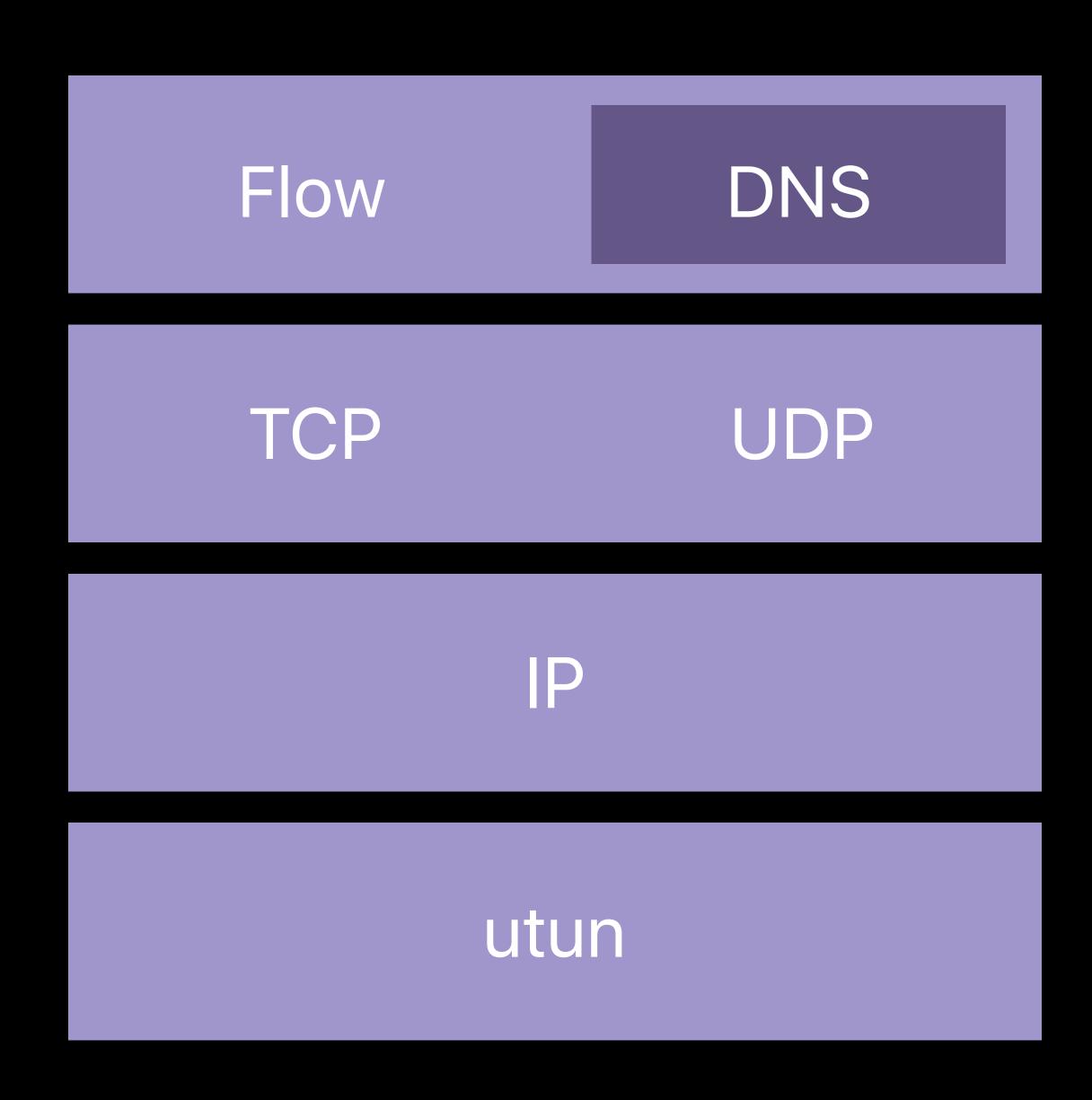
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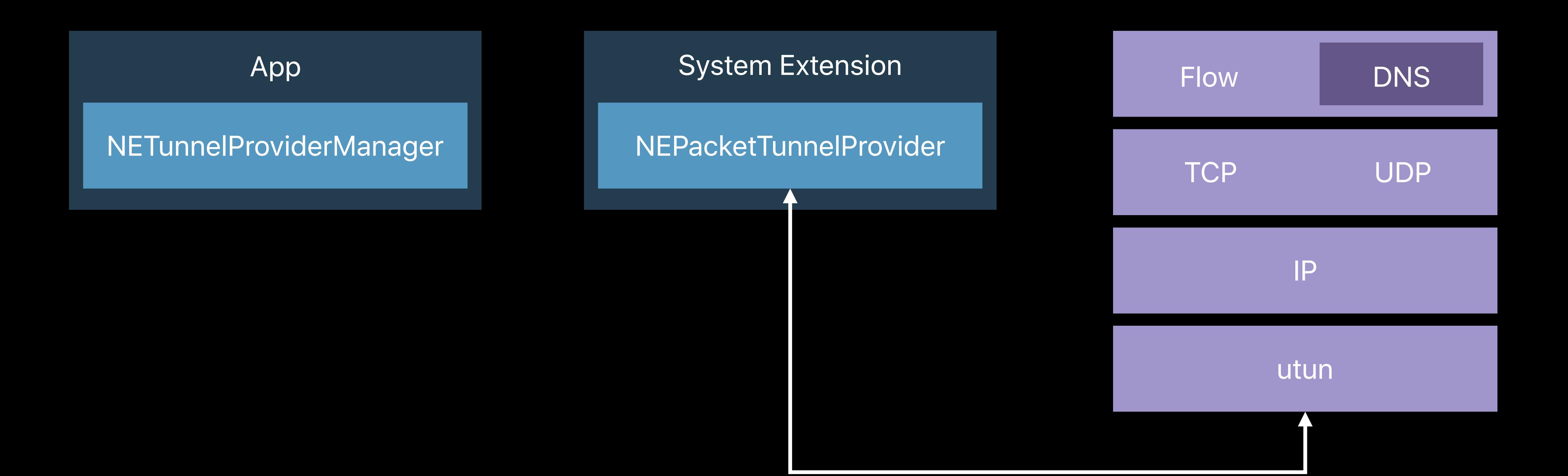
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includeAllNetworks

excludeLocalNetworks

# Per-App VPN

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MailDomains

CalendarDomains

ContactsDomains

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#### Virtual Machine

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Shared Mode enhancements (



- IPv6
- Specify IP range of inside network
- Port Forwarding

Bridged Mode (NEW)

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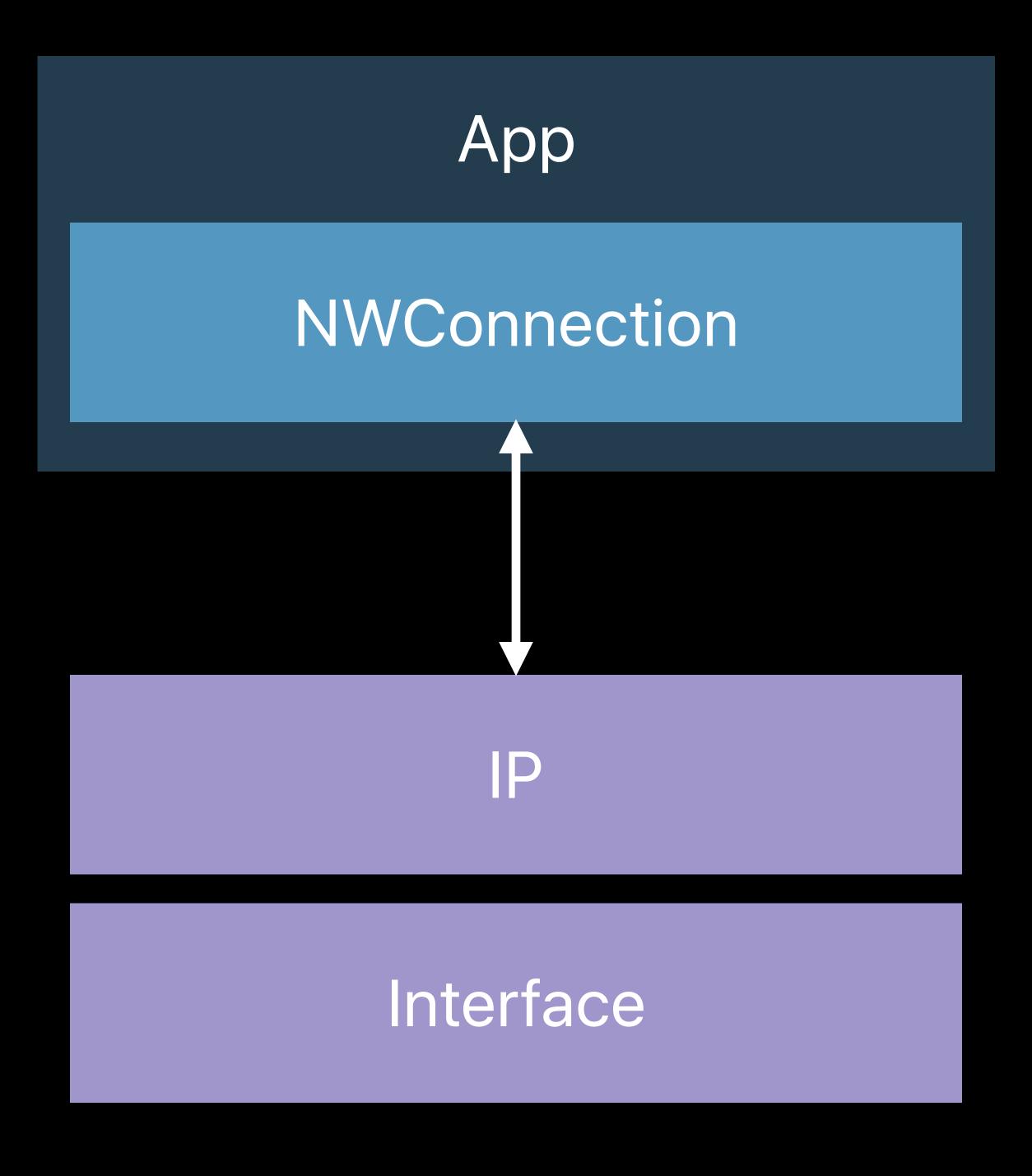
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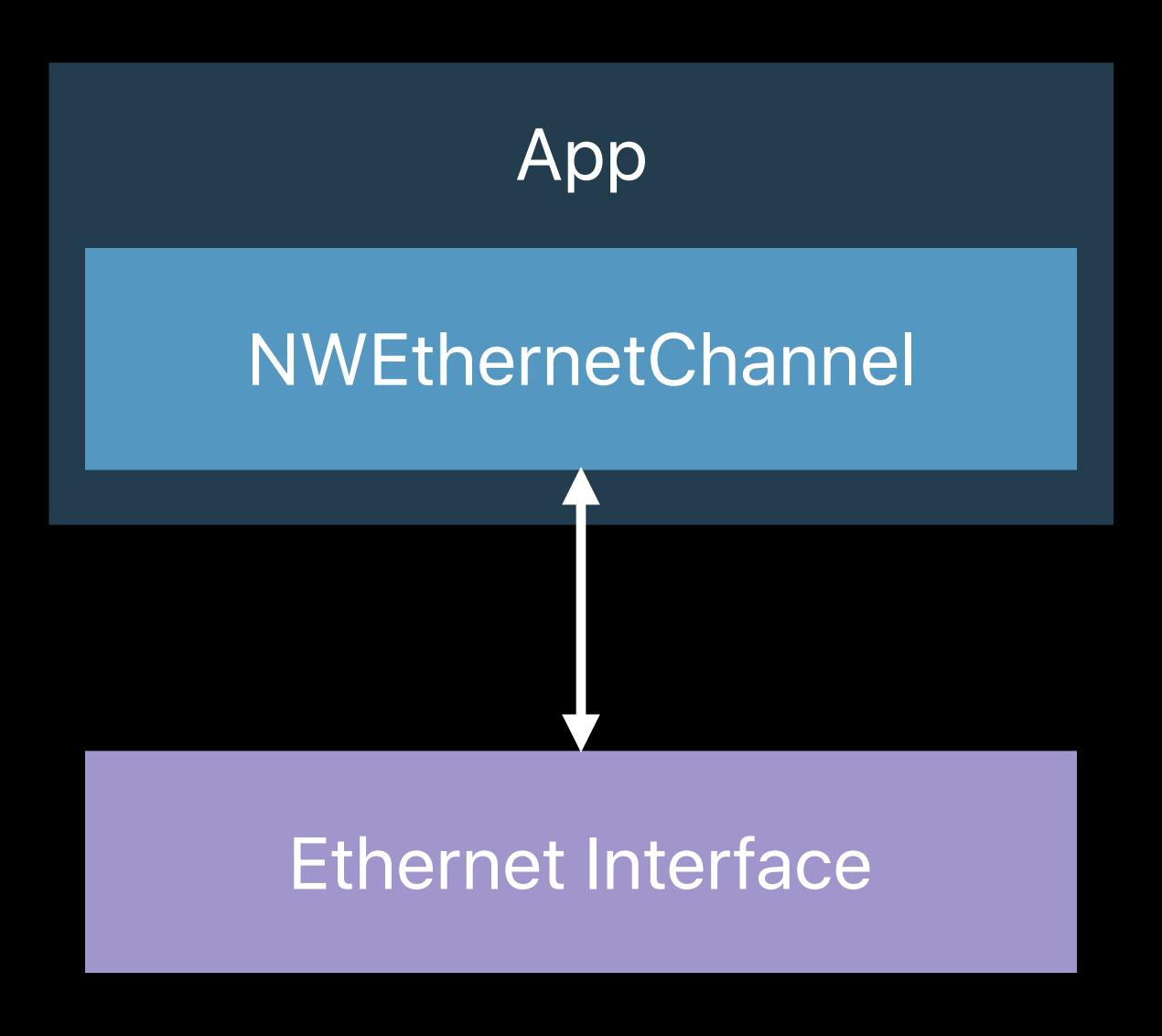
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NWEthernetChannel

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#### Network Kernel Extensions: Endgame

Hard to develop

Hard to debug

Stability problems

# Network Kernel Extensions are deprecated.

#### Summary

- New APIs for Network Extension apps
  - Content filter
  - Transparent proxy
  - DNS proxy
  - VPN
  - Virtual machine
  - Custom protocols
- Network Kernel Extensions are deprecated

#### More Information

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Networking Lab	Friday, 9:00
System Extensions and DriverKit	WWDC 2019
What's New in Network Extension and VPN	WWDC 2015

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