P4 Education Workgroup November 19, 2018

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Introductions

Who are you?

- Name
- Affiliation
- Teaching / research area
- P4 teaching experience
- Plans for using P4 in education



Charter

- This working group is organized to promote the education of P4.
- Its main tasks will include:
 - Hosting and curating of shared community resources
 - Development of instructional materials
 - Organization of educational events.



Tutorials

- P4 Online tutorial
- P4 Full day tutorial
 - Last revised: Aug/18 (SIGCOMM)
 - Built from a set of short (60-90 minutes) modules
 - Introduction, P4 runtime, exercises etc.
- P4-NetFPGA tutorial
 - Online tutorial
 - Half day tutorial
- Others?



Courses

Already running:

- Stanford CS344 (Spring 2018) Build an Internet router
- ETH (Fall 2018) Advanced Topics in Communication Networks

Upcoming

- Cambridge P51 (Lent 2019) High performance networking
- Lugano (Spring 2019)
- Cornell

Others

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Goal

Share courses materials (applies to most of the above)



Educational materials

Getting started

- Audience: researchers new to P4 (e.g. PG students)
- Also part of the teaching materials
- A collection of useful pointers
- All you really need to know to install and run P4 in different environments
- Wiki

Other ideas?



Widening participation

- P4.org events outside the US
 - E.g. tutorial in Budapest (SIGCOMM18), 1st P4 European workshop
- Reaching under-represented groups
 - In the P4 European workshop: 94% men / 6% women
- Pathways to increase engagement and reach wider audiences?
 - Attract new audiences when P4 is still young and exciting!



Future Events

Tutorials and workshops

- Need to identify the right communities
- So far focused on SIGCOMM
- Planned: P4->NetFPGA in FPGA'19 (accepted)

Upcoming opportunities (outside the US)

- SIGCOMM 2019
- FOSDEM 2019
- ANCS 2019
- NetSoft 2019
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Engagement Interfaces

- Mailing list
- Wiki
- Slack
 - volunteers?
- You can contribute by:
 - Running a tutorial get in touch!
 - Contributing materials
 - Contributing to the wiki



Ideas? Comments?

