



# Breaking Down the Entry Barriers on Linux Kernel Networking Stack

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## Speaker



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Special Lecture at Universities

- Open-Source Software Development Mechanism.



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**Let's think about it**

**Linux Kernel Contribution?**



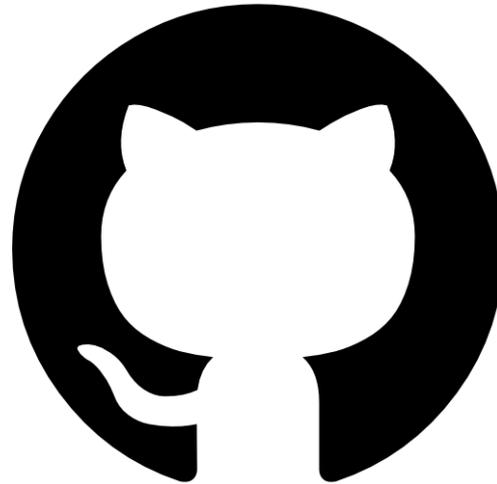
# Linux Kernel Contribution?



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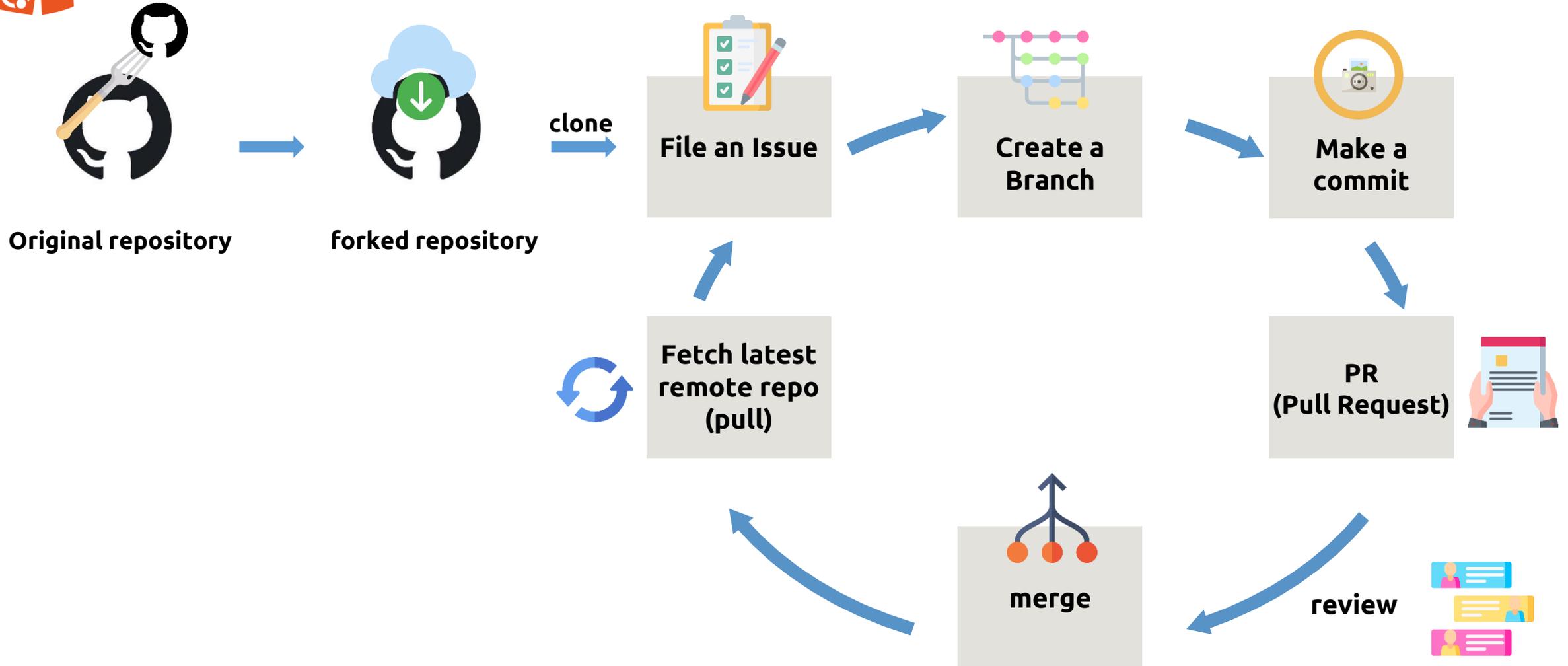
## Contribution like other open-sources?



**Maybe, contribute through GitHub?**  
(like any other open source)



# Open-Source Contribution: managed with GitHub





**Is Kernel Contribution done in the same way?**



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torvalds Merge tag 'for-6.1-rc1-tag' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/ker... aae703b 2 days ago 1,135,998 commits

Documentation	Merge tag 'random-6.1-rc1-for-linux' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/...	4 days ago
LICENSES	LICENSES/LGPL-2.1: Add LGPL-2.1-or-later as valid identifiers	10 months ago
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block	Merge tag 'random-6.1-rc1-for-linux' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/...	4 days ago
certs	certs: make system keyring depend on built-in x509 parser	27 days ago
crypto	treewide: use get_random_bytes() when possible	9 days ago
drivers	Merge tag 'v6.1-p2' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/...	3 days ago
fs	Merge tag 'for-6.1-rc1-tag' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/ker...	2 days ago
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**In torvalds/linux Kernel GitHub repository,**

About  
Linux kernel source tree  
Readme  
View license  
140k stars  
8.1k watching  
45.1k forks

Releases  
763 tags

Packages  
No packages published



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New pull request

312 Open ✓ 449 Closed

Author Label Projects Milestones Reviews Assignee Sort

Fix for packets being rejected in the ring buffer used by the xHCI co...

#805 opened on 2 Mar 2020 by TarAldarion

1

Update .clang-format

#803 opened on 29 Feb 2020 by farley-melo

1

Remove Intel unavailable hardware from SDIO IDs

#802 opened on 25 Feb 2020 by laserjobs

1

Improve readability of socket err

#801 opened on 18 Feb 2020 by sparshrestha

2

fix "unsigned" warn when running independently

#800 opened on 18 Feb 2020 by daTokenizer

1

Add support for USB modems using Conexant CX06836

#798 opened on 12 Feb 2020 by stevenyu1973

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**Pull Request exists just as other open-source.**

#797 opened on 11 Feb 2020 by yunbotsai

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Code

Open TarAldarion wants to merge 1 commit into torvalds:master from TarAldarion:MRU\_FIXES

Conversation 1 Commits 1 Checks 0 Files changed 1

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TarAldarion commented on 2 Mar 2020

...ntroller. When a packet larger than MTU arrives in Linux from the modem, it is discarded with -EOVERFLOW error (Babble error). This is seen on USB3.0 and USB2.0 busses. This is essentially because the MRU (Max Receive Size) is not a separate entity to the MTU (Max Transmit Size) and the received packets can be larger than those transmitted. Following the babble error there were an endless supply of zero-length URBs which are rejected with -EPROTO (increasing the rx input error counter each time). This is only seen on USB3.0. These continue to come ad infinitum until the modem is shutdown. There appears to be a bug in the core USB handling code in Linux that doesn't deal well with network MTUs smaller than 1500 bytes. By default the dev->hard\_mtu (the real MTU) is in lockstep with dev->rx\_urb\_size (essentially an MRU), and it's the latter that is causing trouble. This has nothing to do with the modems; the issue can be reproduced by getting a USB-Ethernet dongle, setting the MTU to 1430, and pinging with size greater than 1406.

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Reviewers

No reviews

Assignees

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Labels

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Projects

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KernelPRBot commented

As KernelPRBot replied,

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**detailed guide for kernel contribution**

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# Kernel Contribution?



**Instead of using GitHub,  
Linux kernel uses its own git service.**

**- Linux Kernel**

<https://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git>

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Linux kernel source tree on [git.kernel.org](https://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git). The page title is "index : kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git" and the subtitle is "Linux kernel source tree". The navigation menu includes "about", "summary", "refs", "log", "tree", "commit", "diff", and "stats".

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master	Merge tag 'loongarch-fixes-5.19-4' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kern...

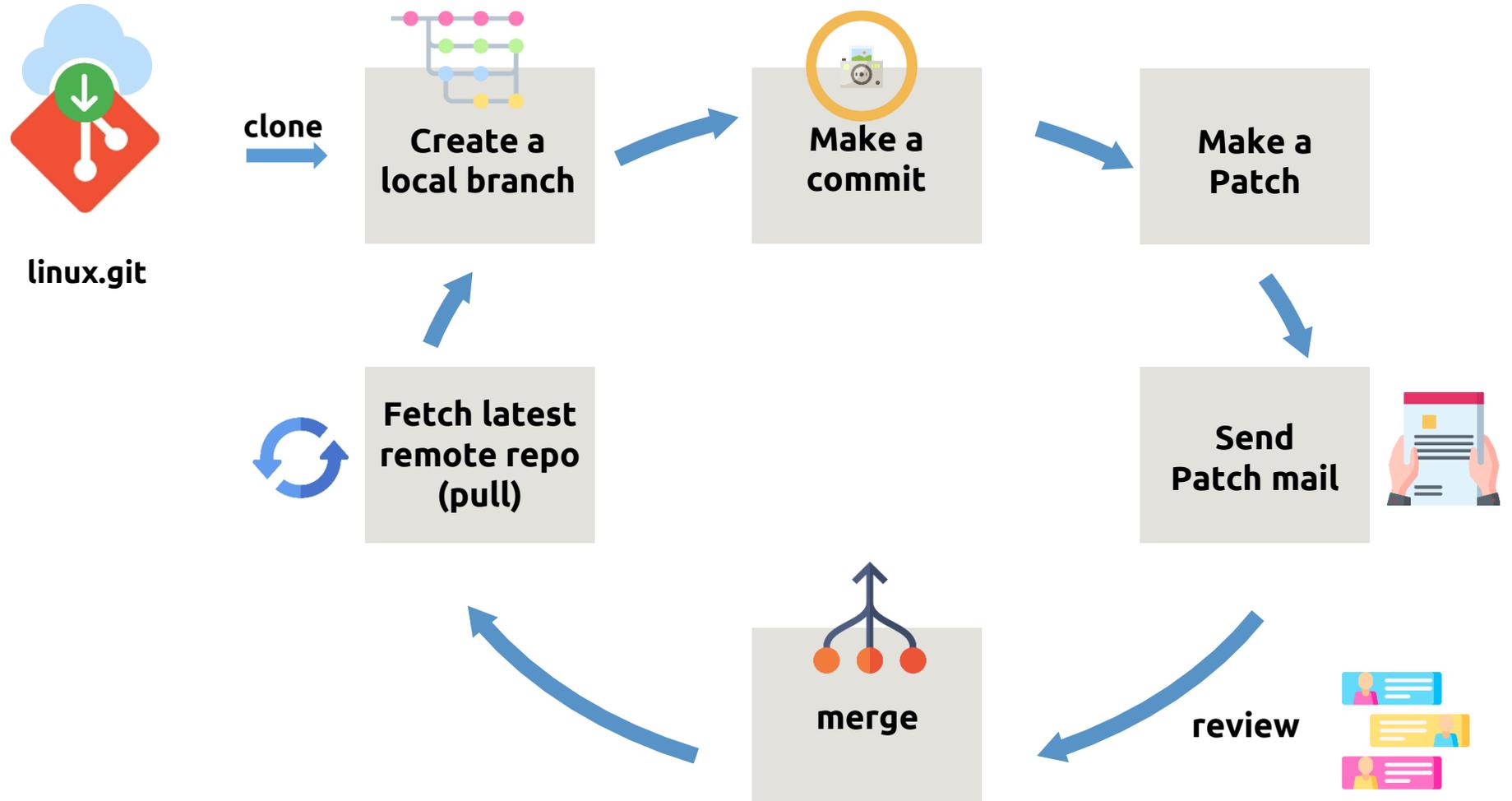
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[...]	

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9 hours	Merge tag 'pinctrl-v5.19-2' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/...
9 hours	signal handling: don't use BUG_ON() for debugging
16 hours	LoongArch: Fix section mismatch warning
16 hours	LoongArch: Fix build errors for tinyconfig
16 hours	LoongArch: Remove obsolete mentions of vcsr
16 hours	LoongArch: Drop these obsolete selects in Kconfig
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[...]	

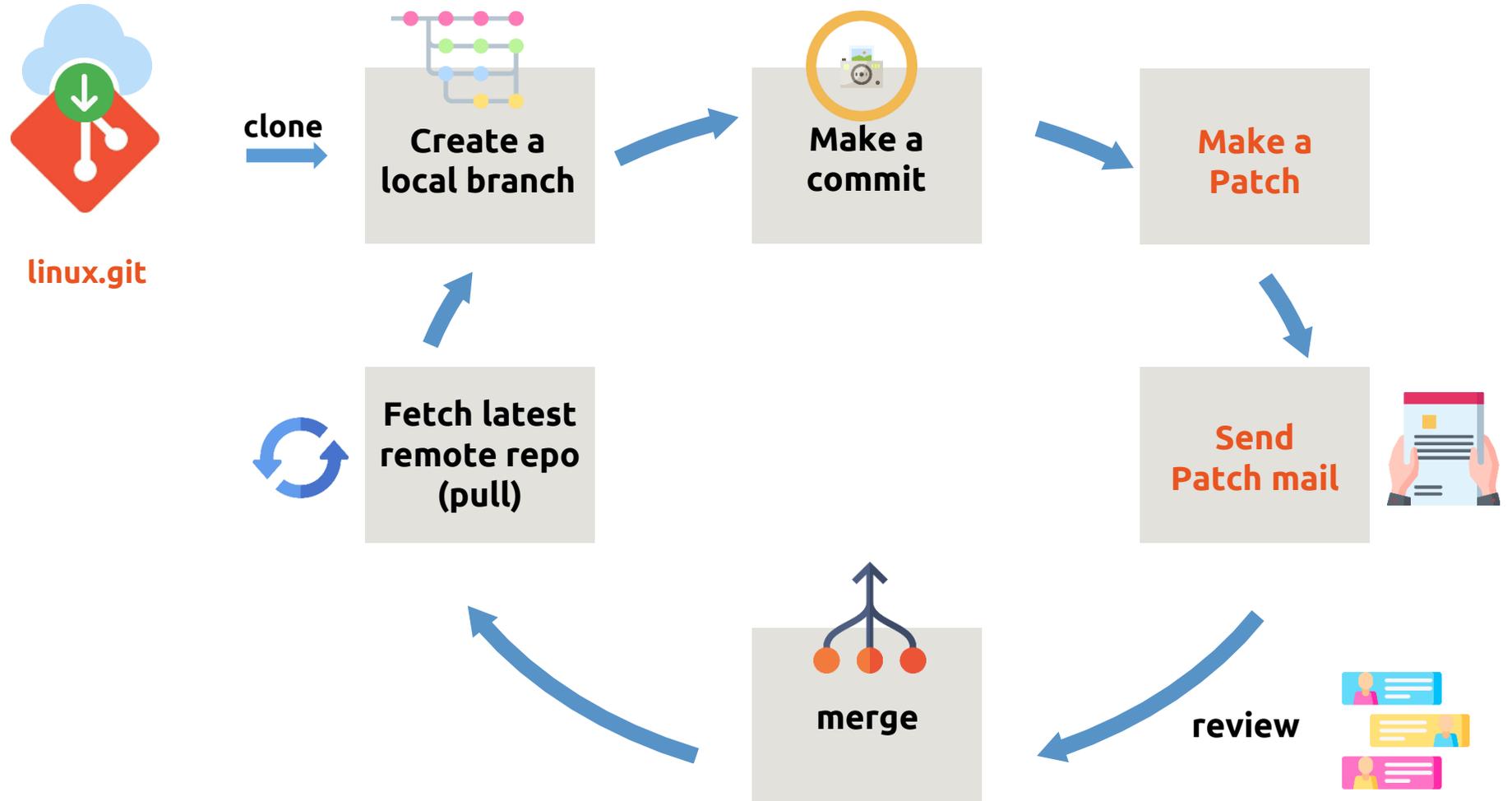


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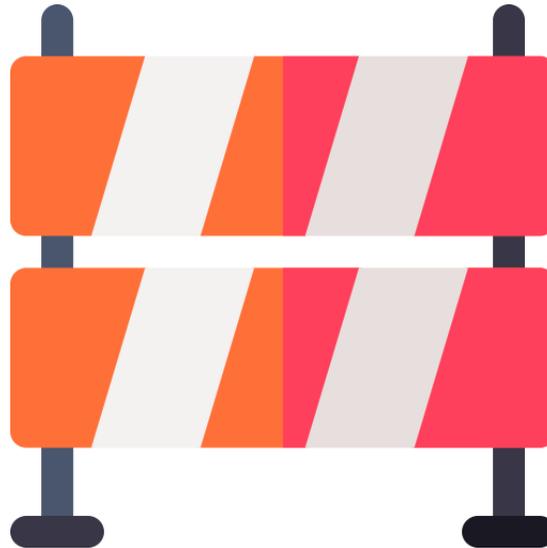




# Kernel Contribution

Where to get source code?

Committing by email?



What is a patch?

How to configure build env?

**Countless barriers before we even started...**



## Goal of this session

```
$ cd samples/bpf
$ make -j
$ ./tracex7
sh: 1: Syntax error: word unexpected (expecting ")")
```

**In this scenario, suppose we fix a bug.**



## Goal of this session

**Step through the Linux kernel contribution to break down contribution barriers.**



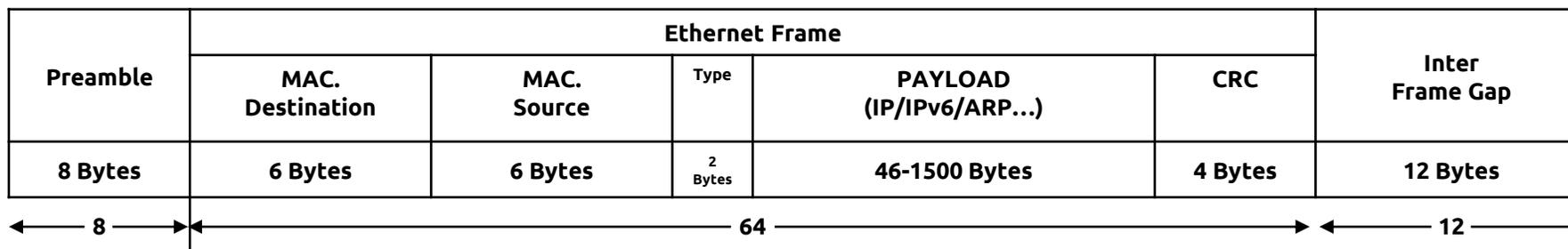
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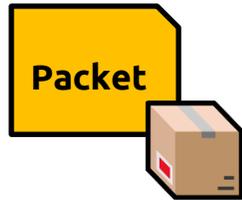
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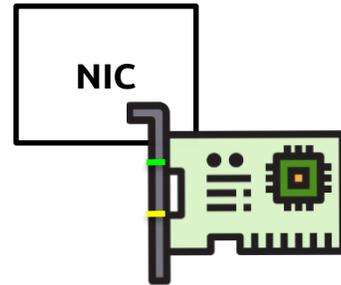


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Frame



Network  
Hardware



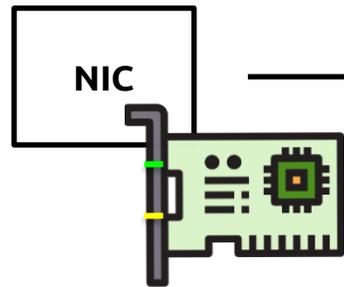


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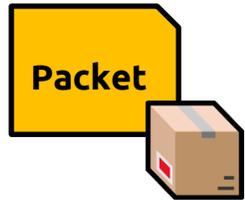
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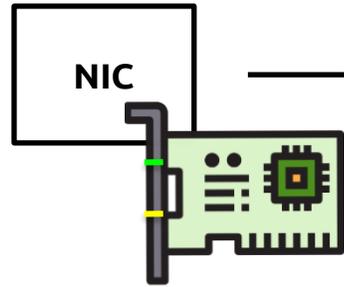


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Network Hardware

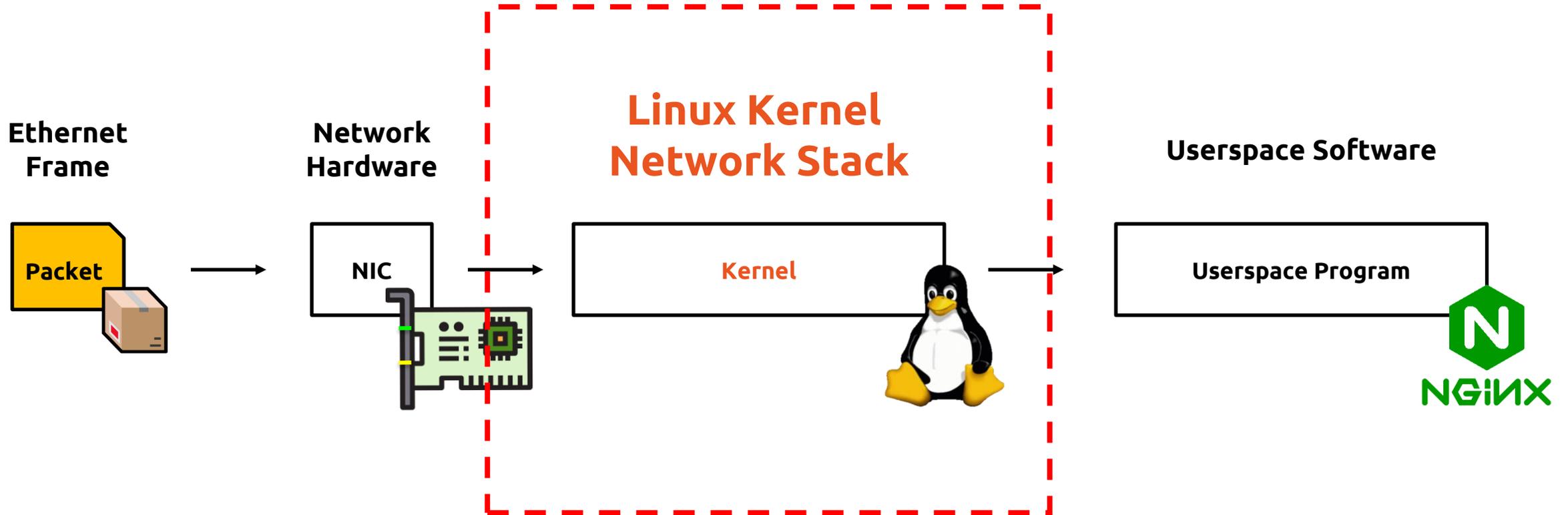


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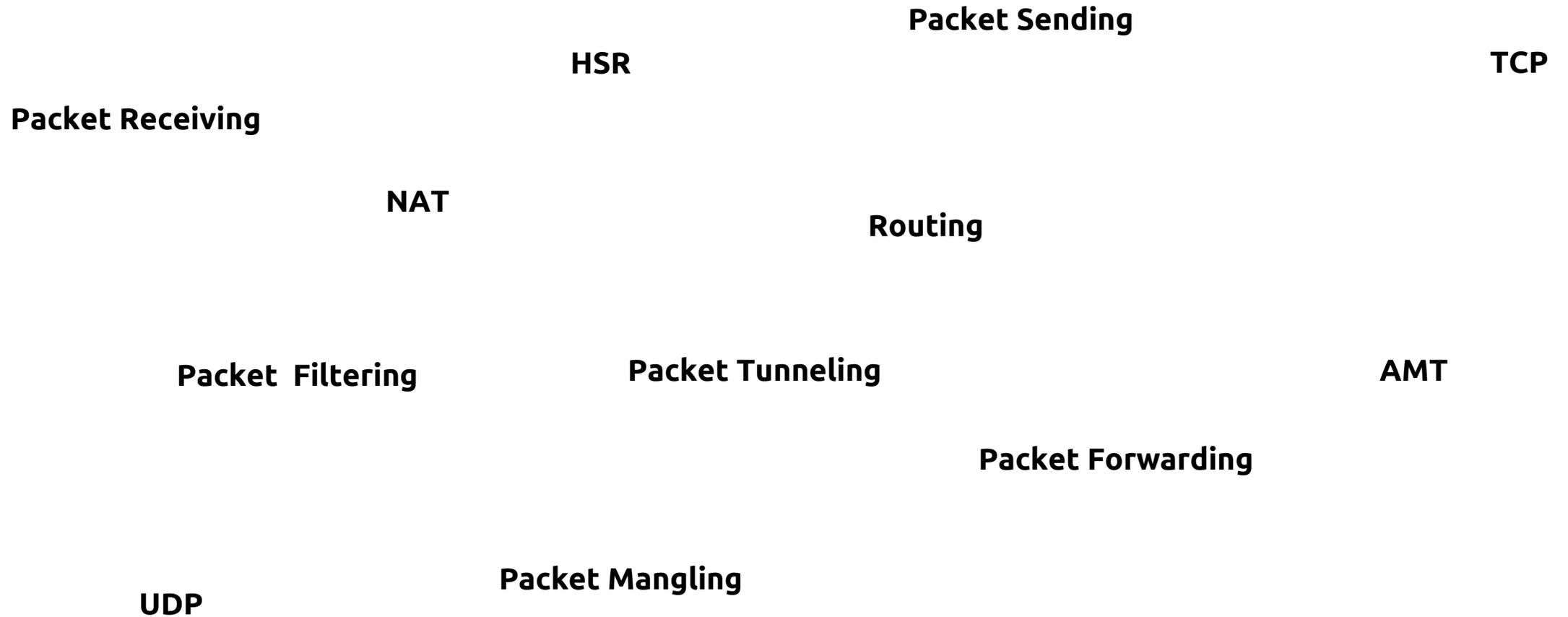


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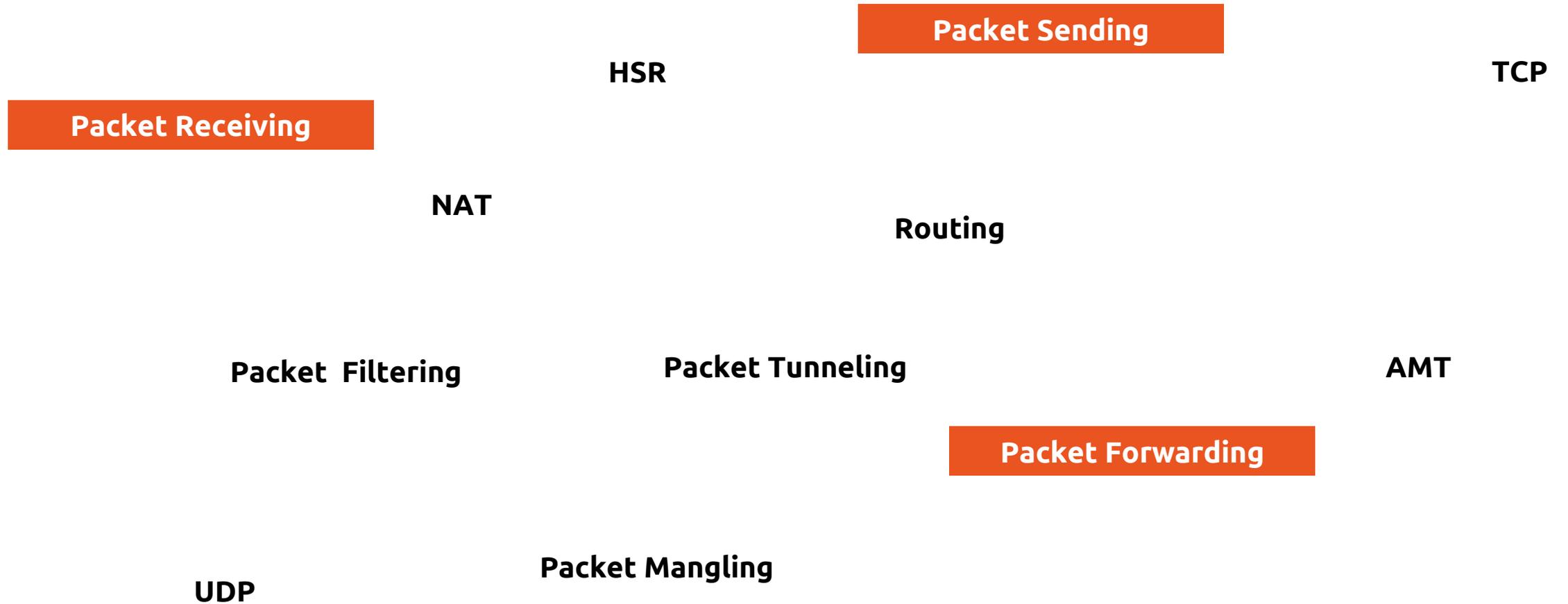


# Linux Kernel Networking Stack





# Basic Packet Path



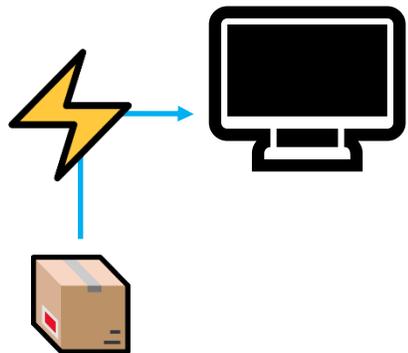


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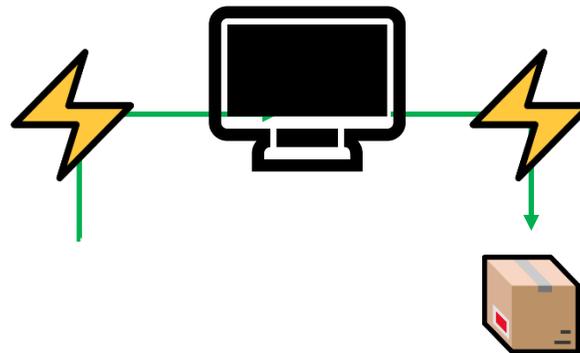


# Packet Path

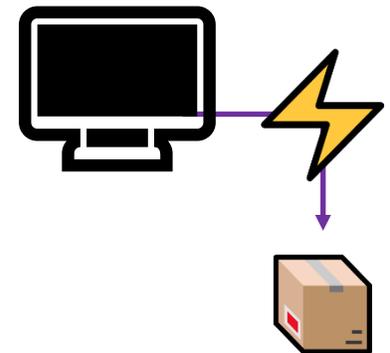
## ① Receiving Path



## ② Forwarding Path

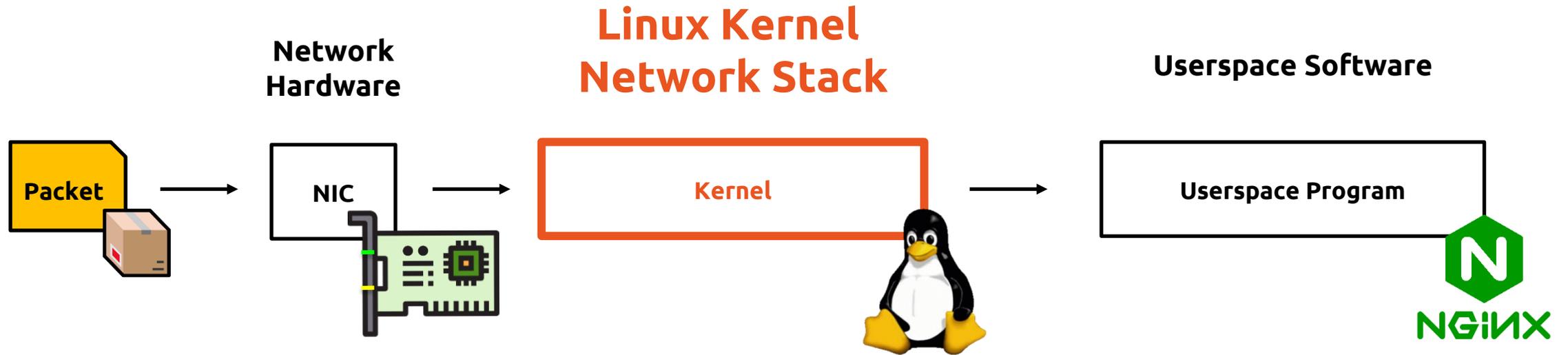


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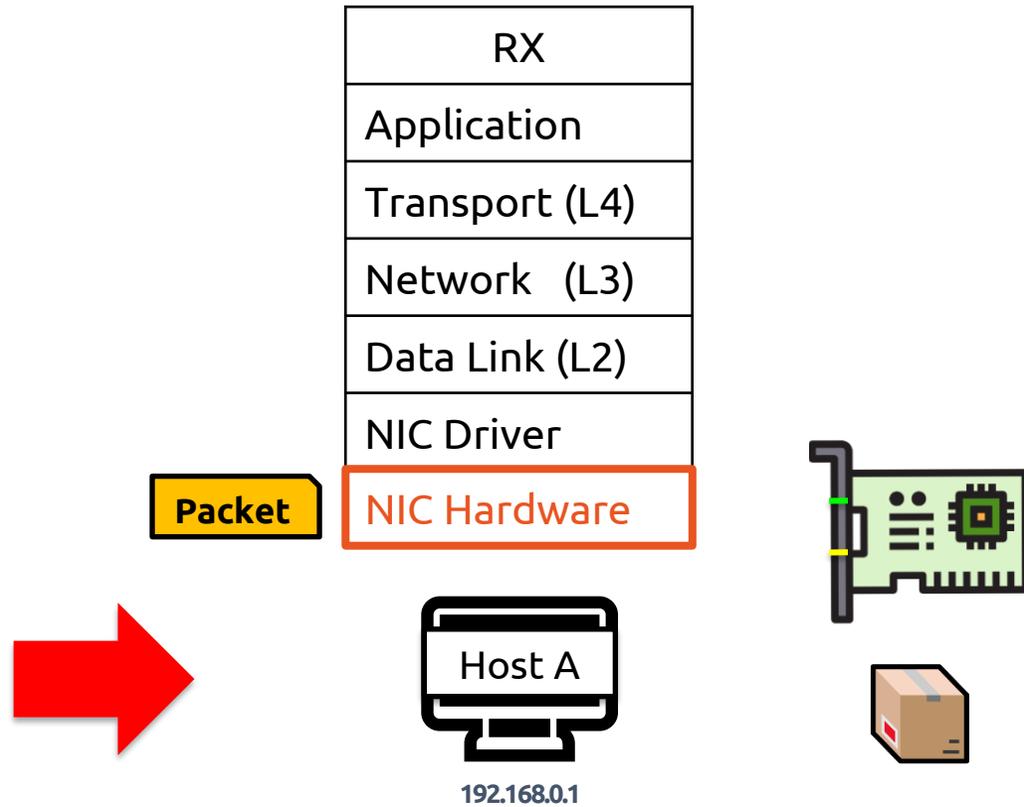
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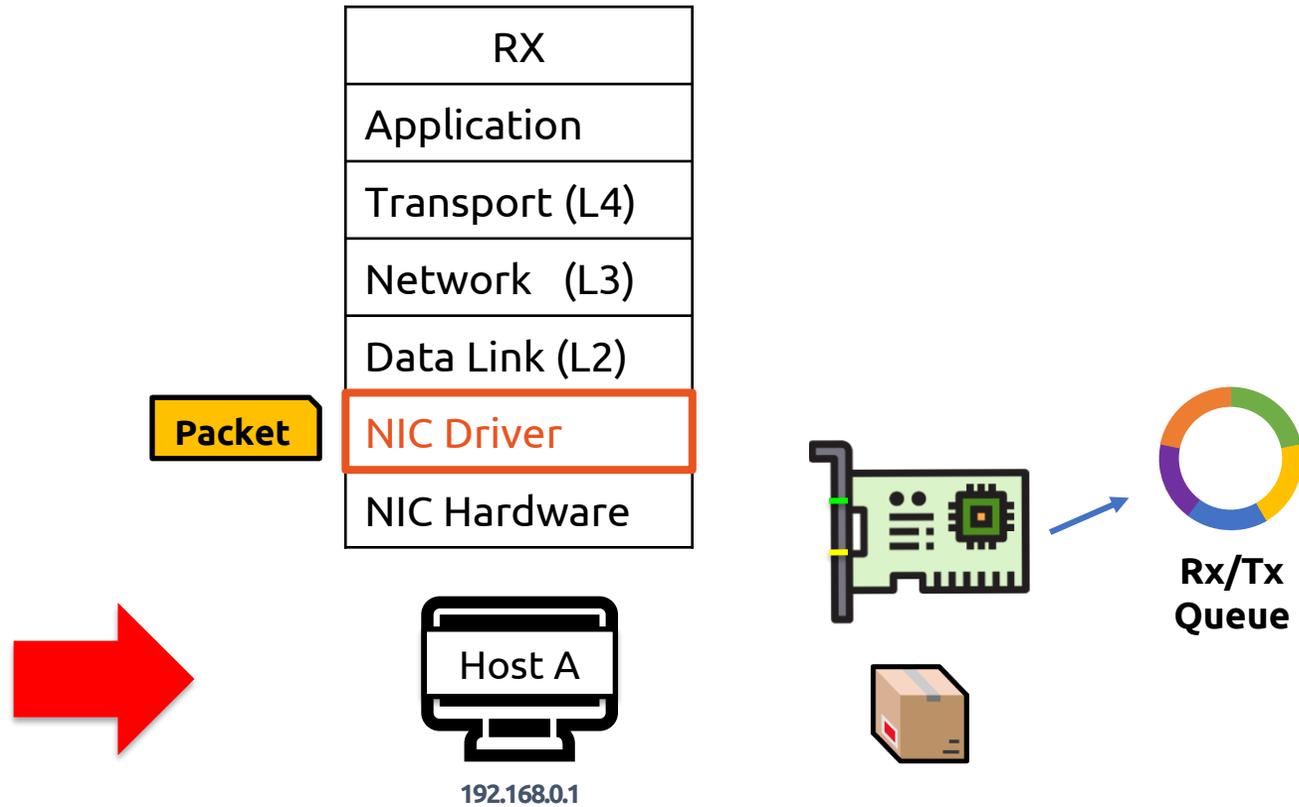
Network Interface Card receives the packet





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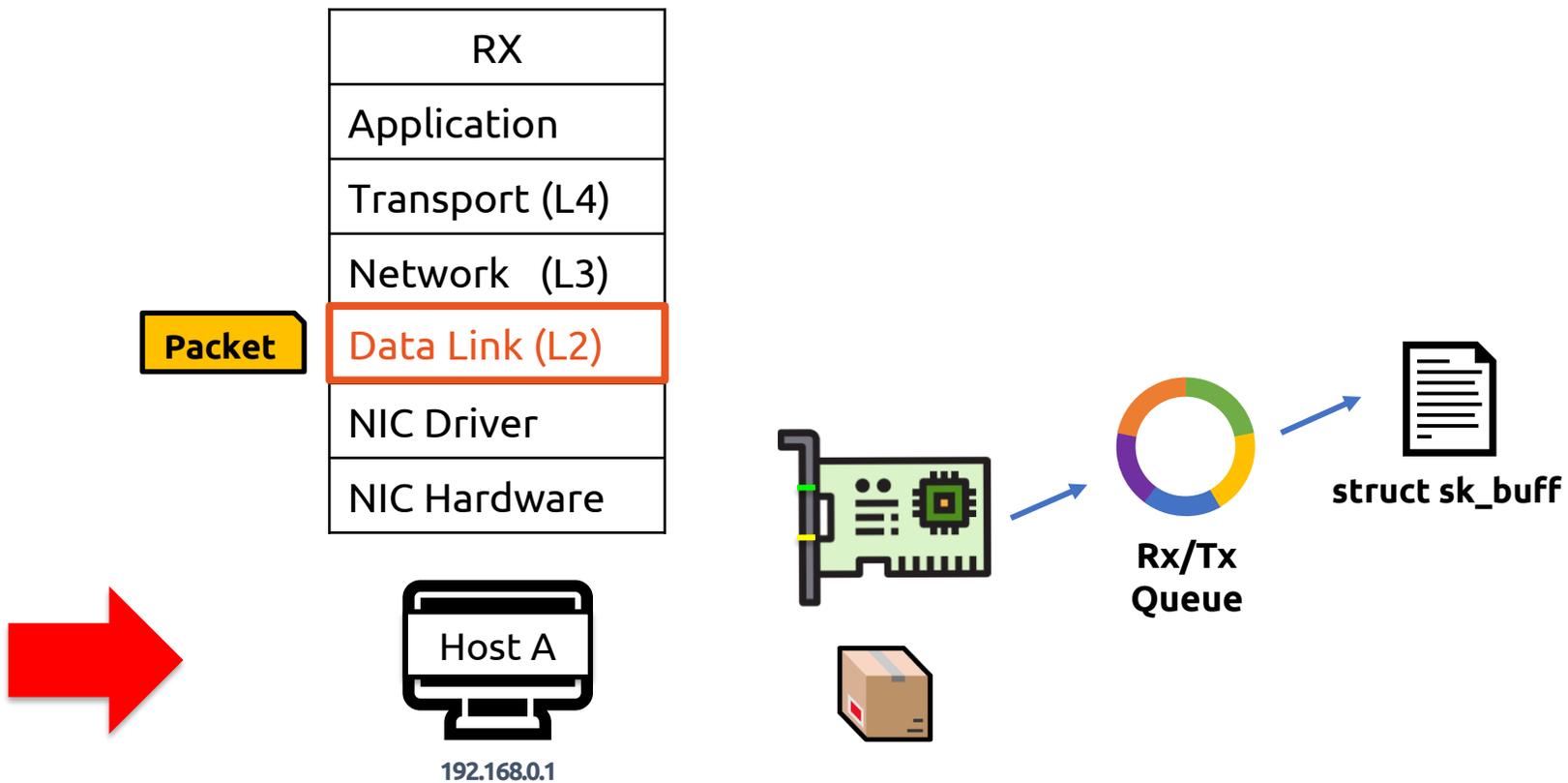
From Device Driver, pops the packet from the NIC hardware Queue (RX)





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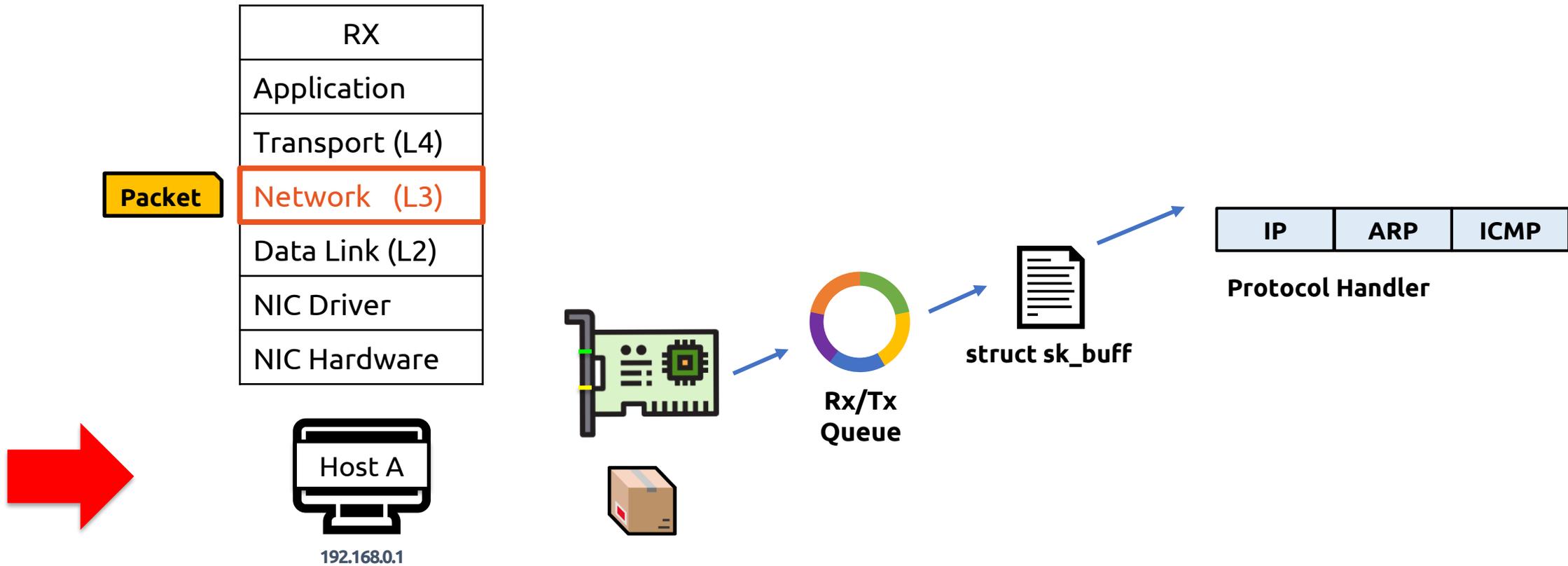
Create a `sk_buff` structure with this packet.





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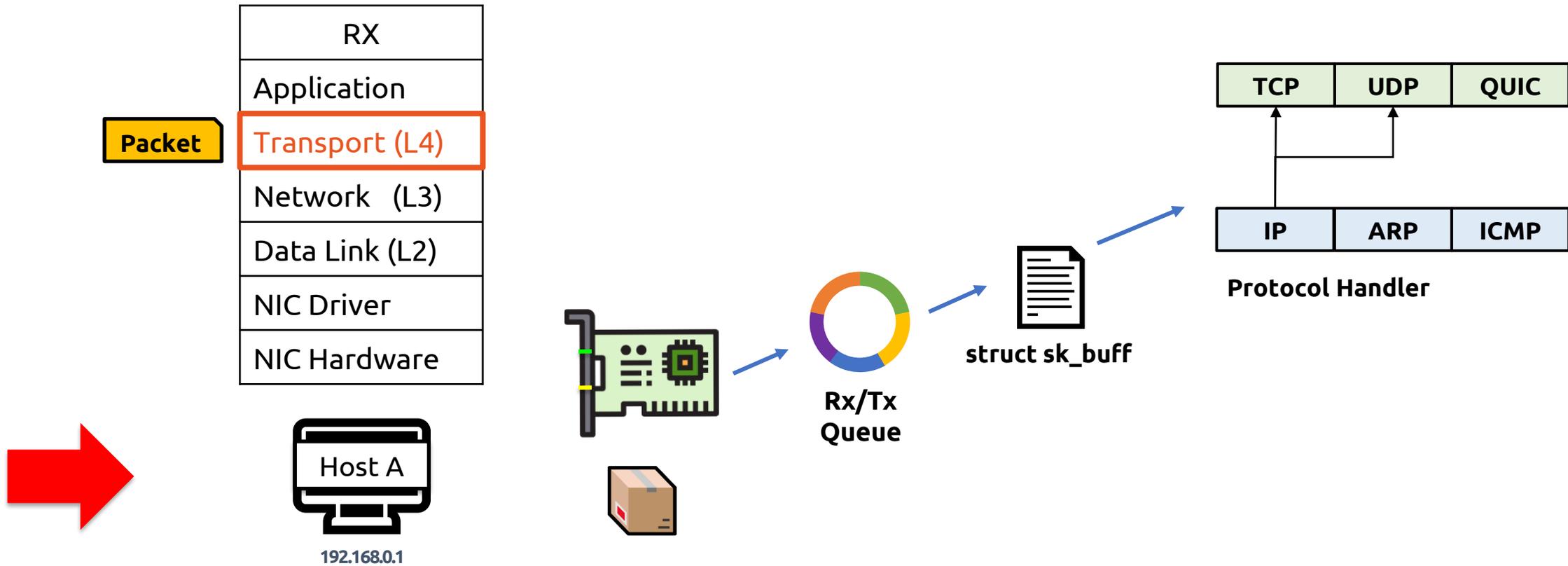
Determines which protocol the packet is,





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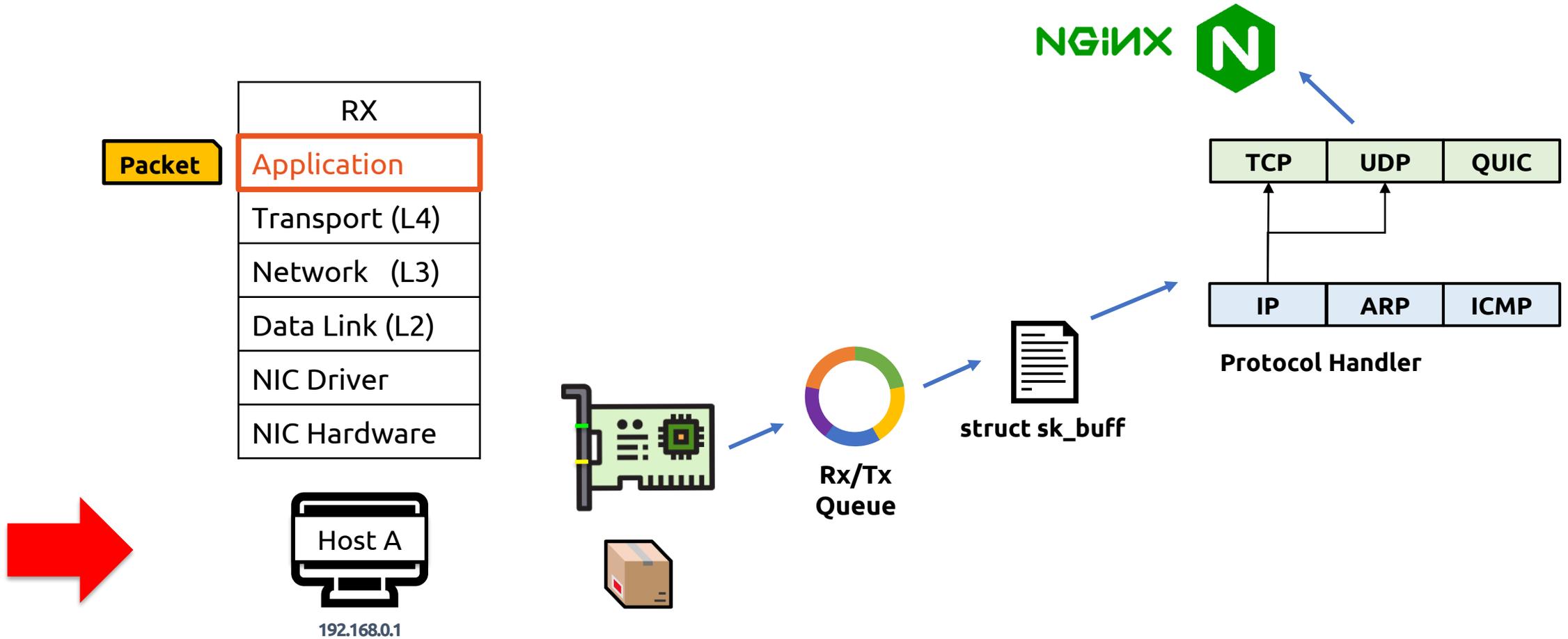
Call the appropriate handler function for the protocol





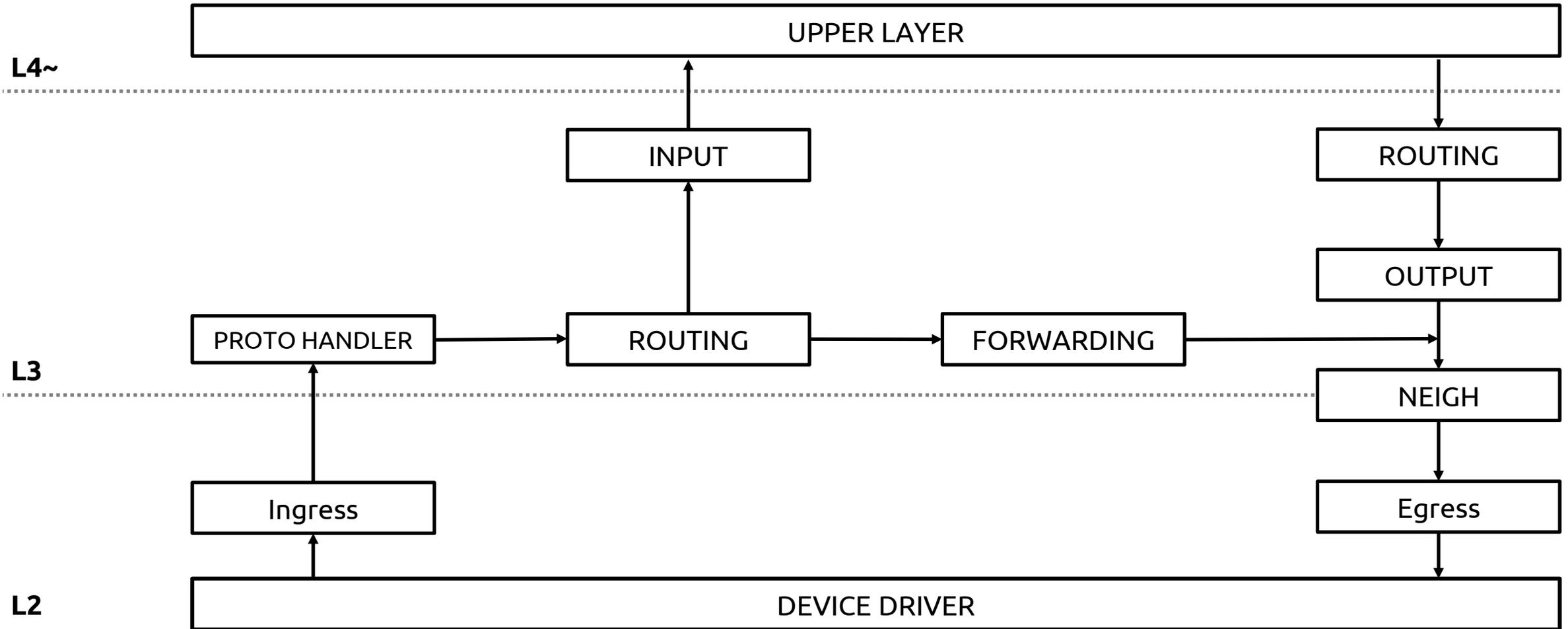
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Hand over processed packet to user applications



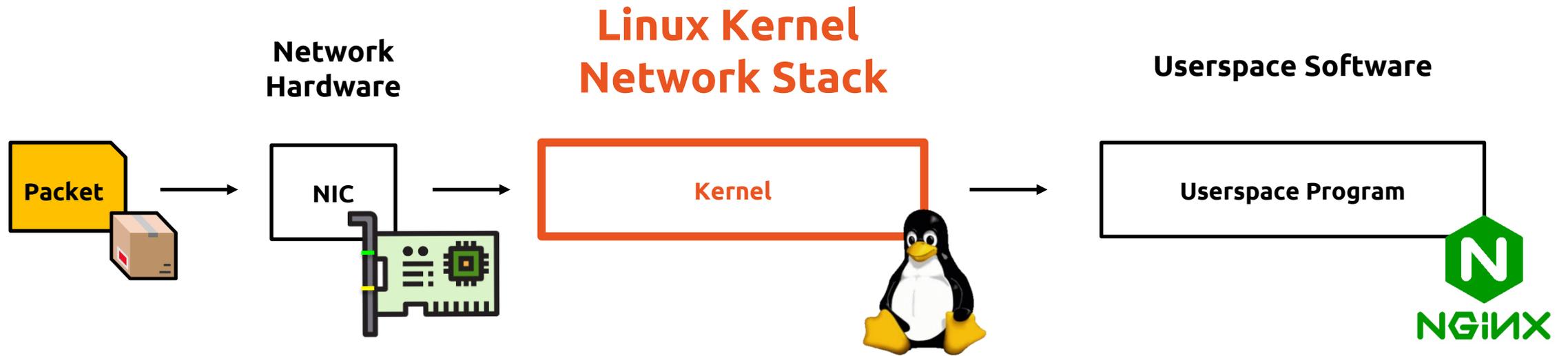


# Linux Kernel Networking Packet Path





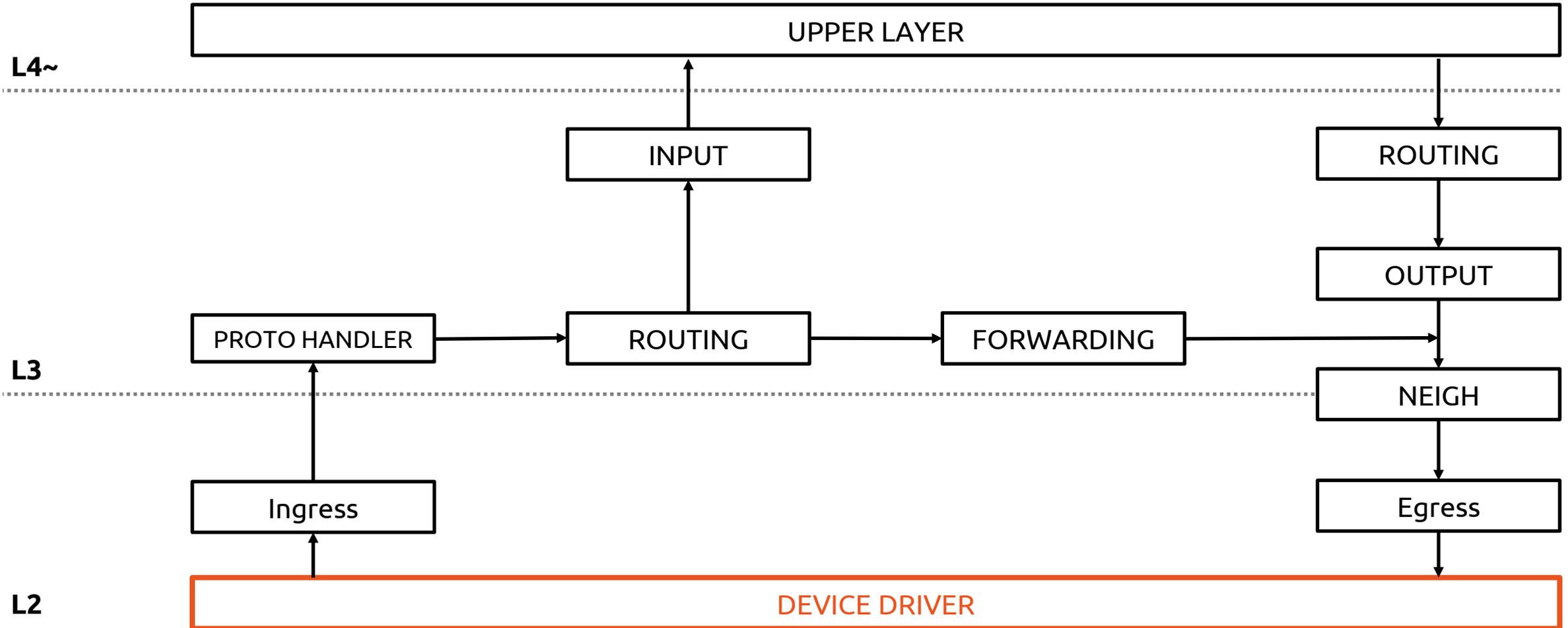
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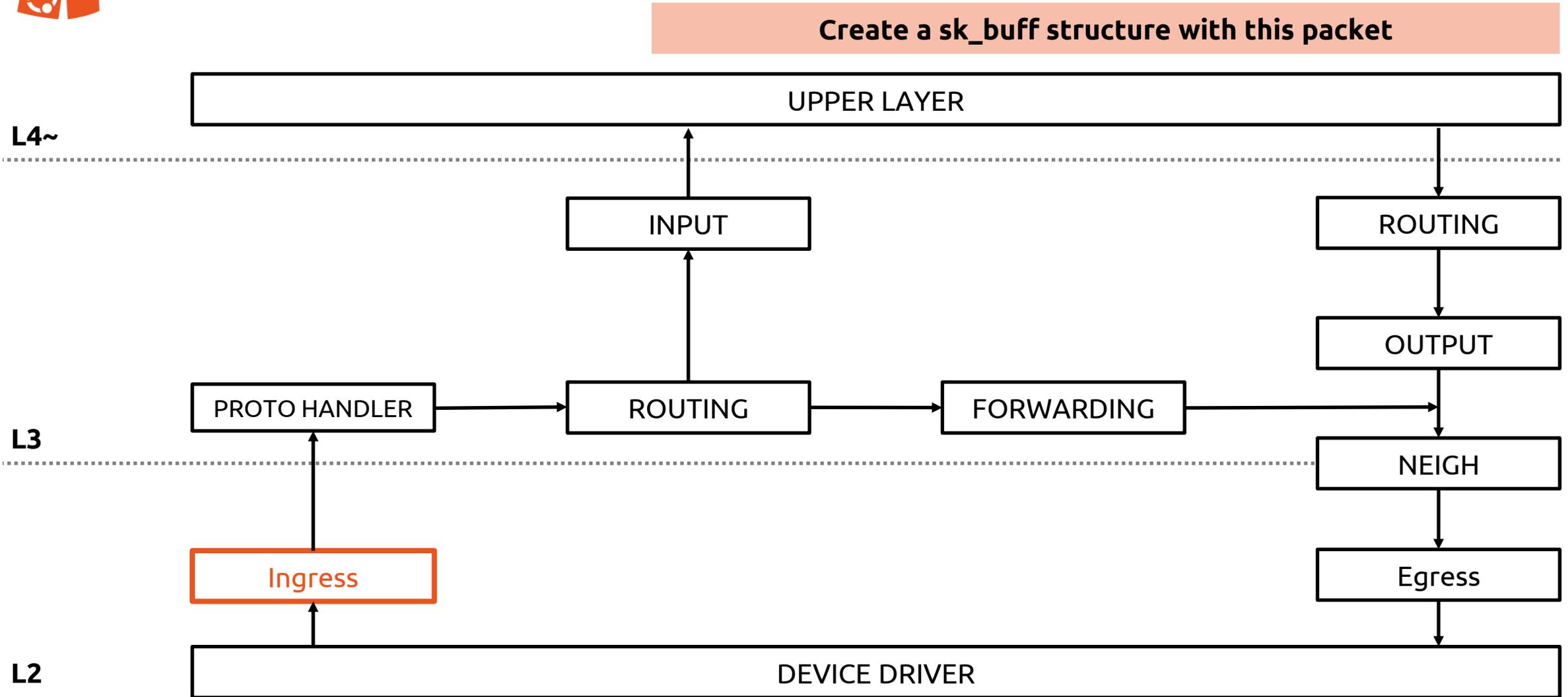
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After Network Interface Card receives the packet, Device Driver pops the packet from the NIC hardware Queue (RX)





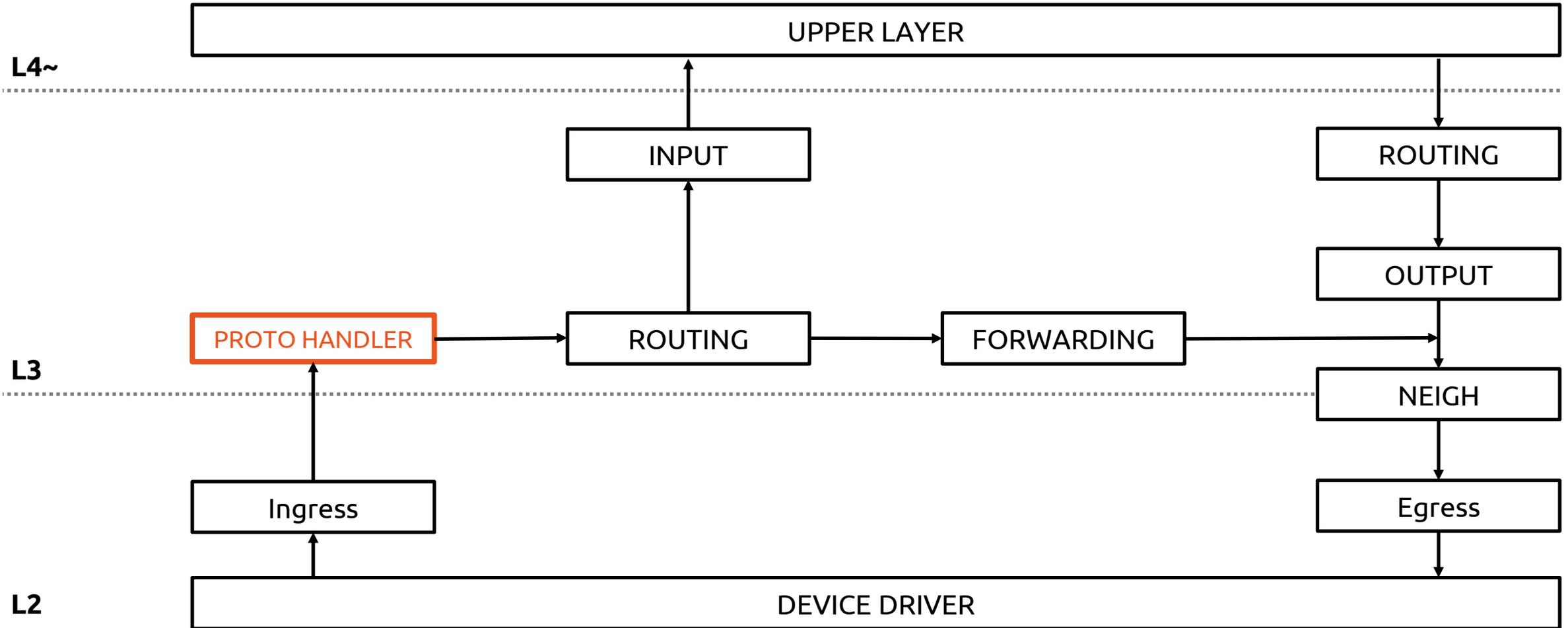
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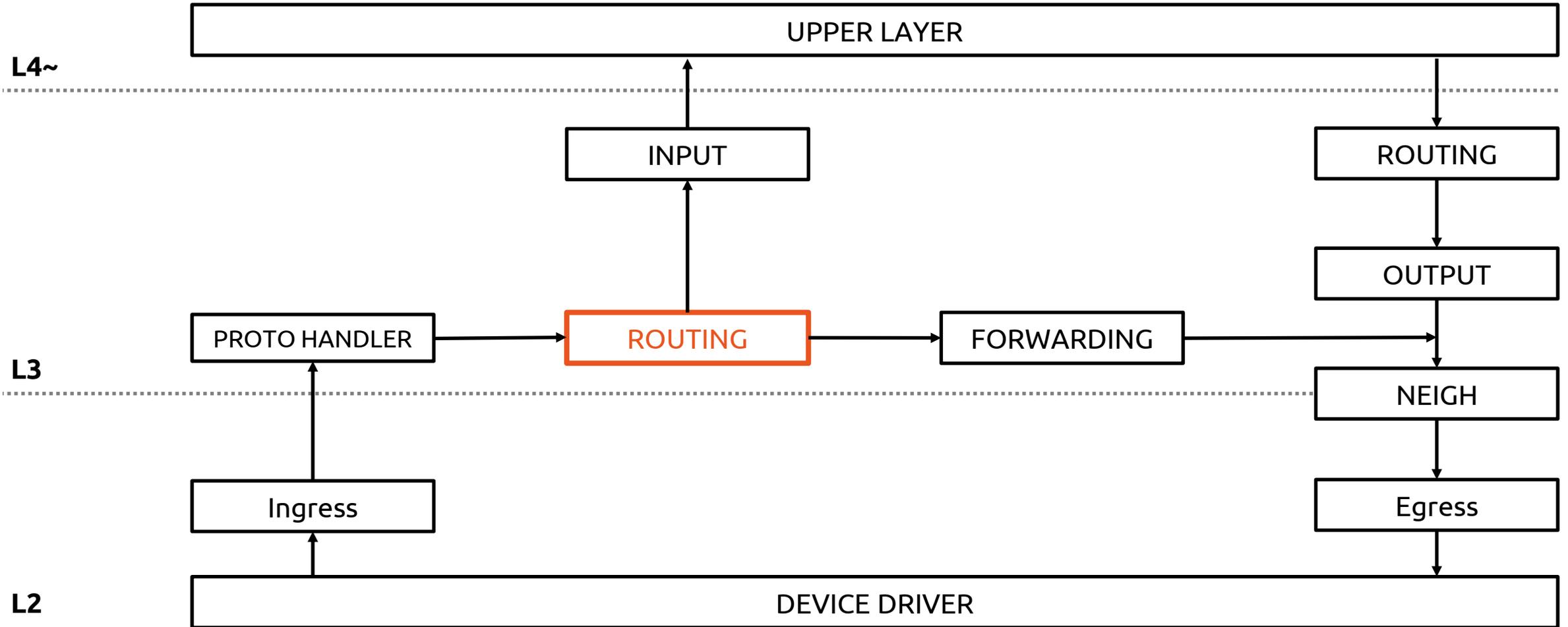
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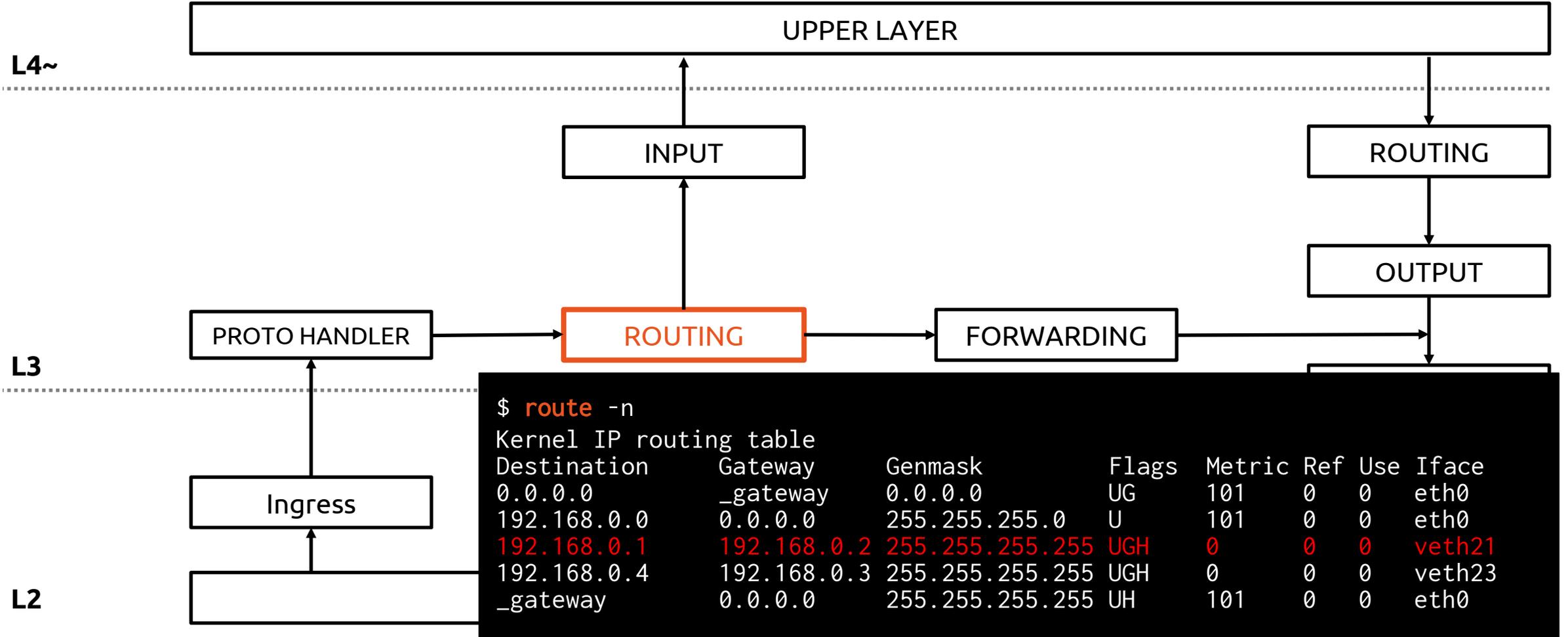
Lookup the ROUTING table to identify where the packet is headed





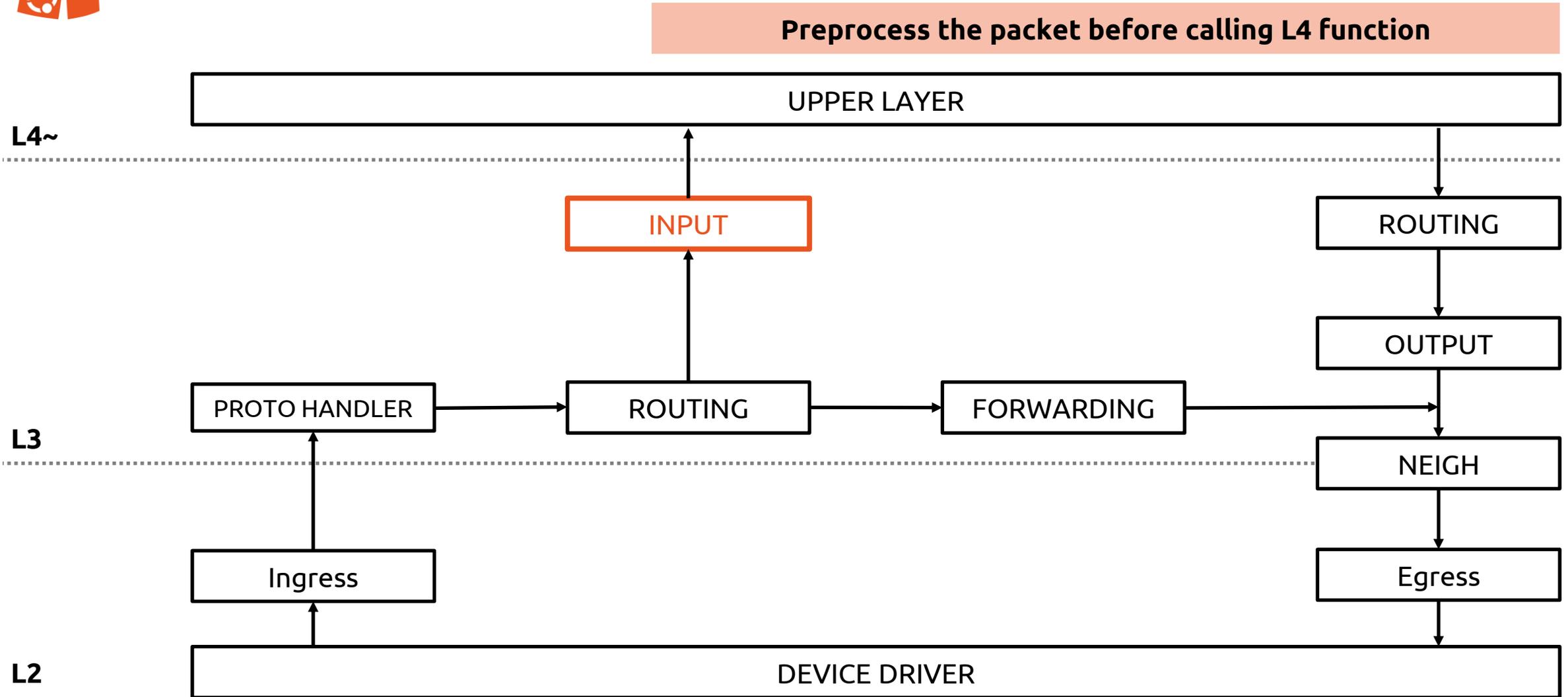
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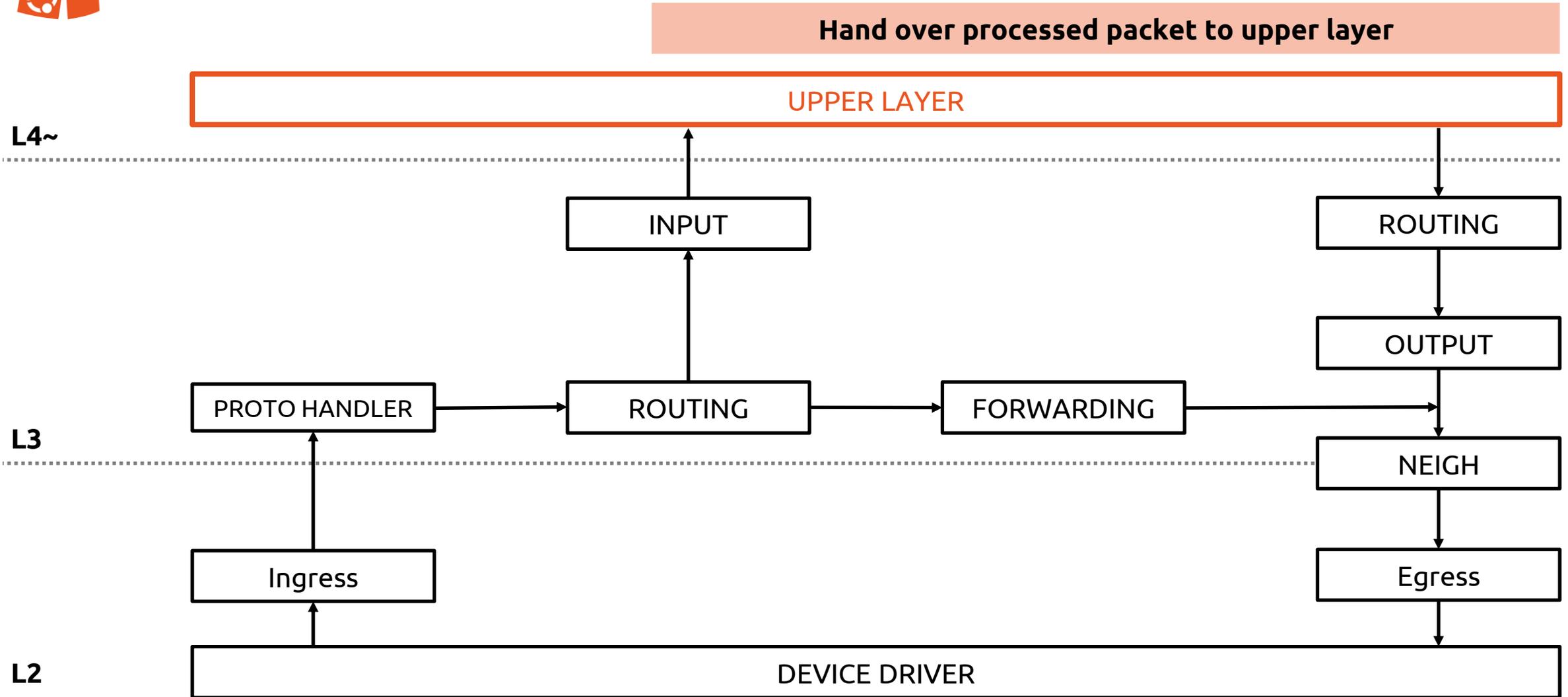


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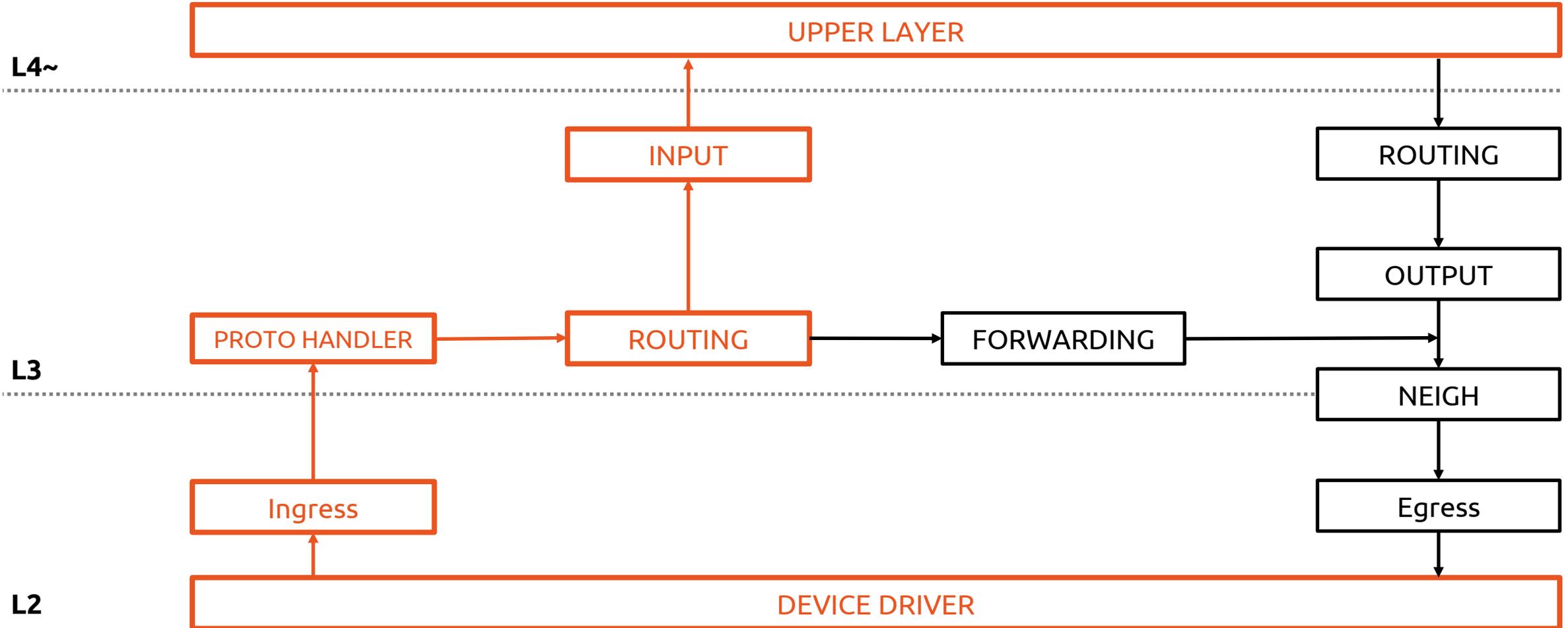


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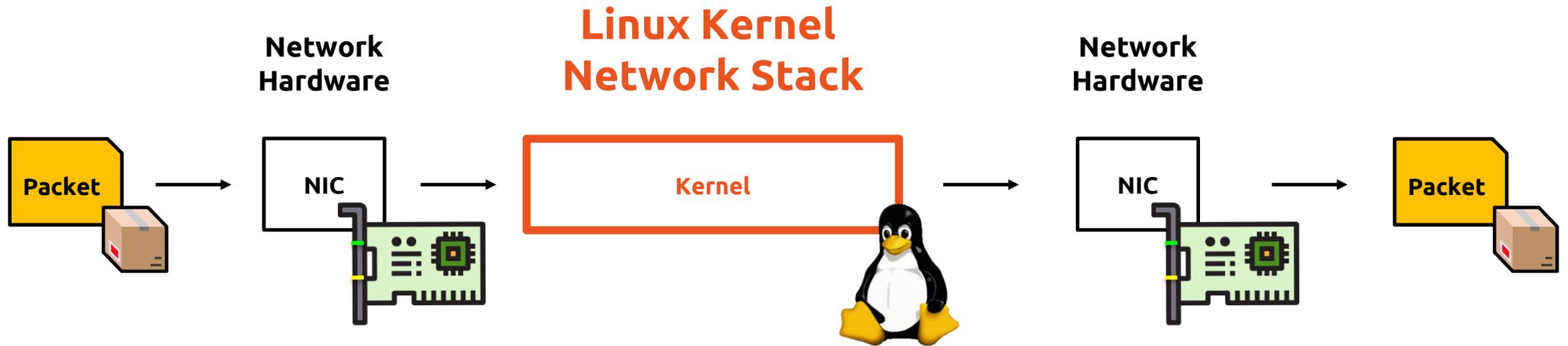


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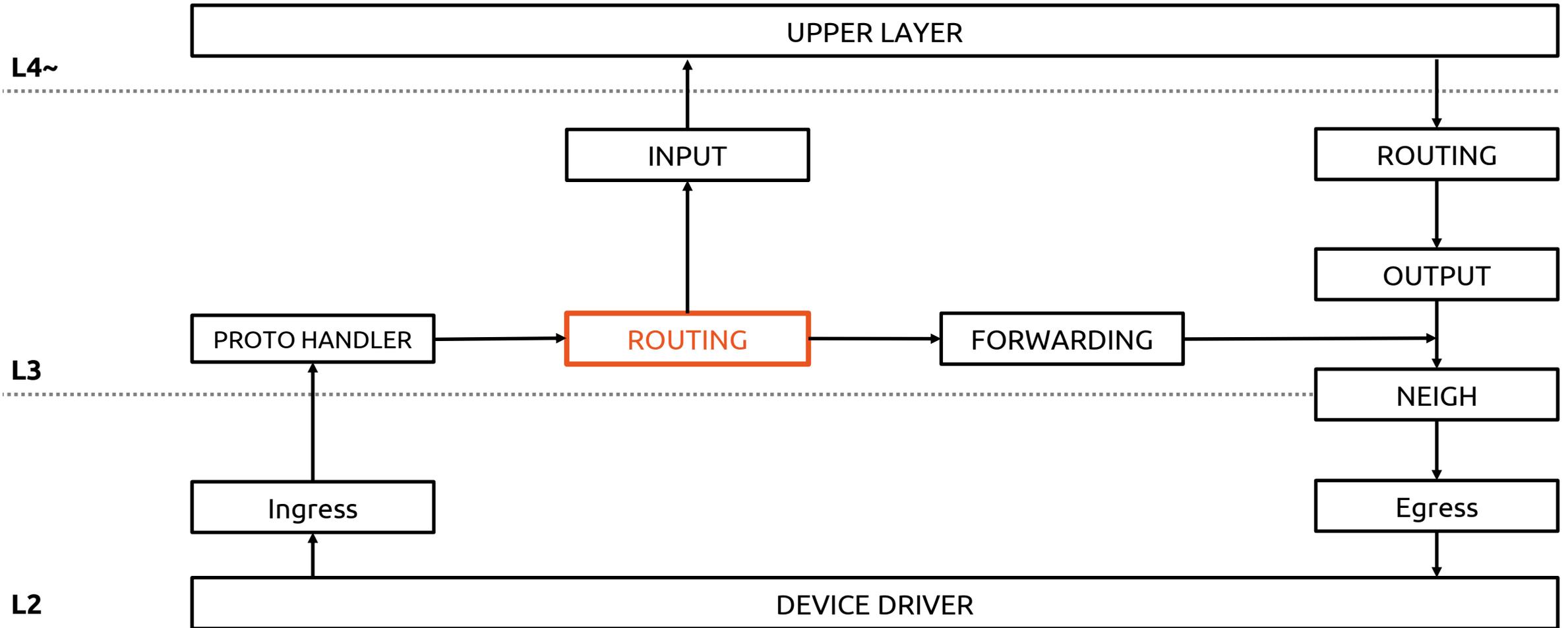
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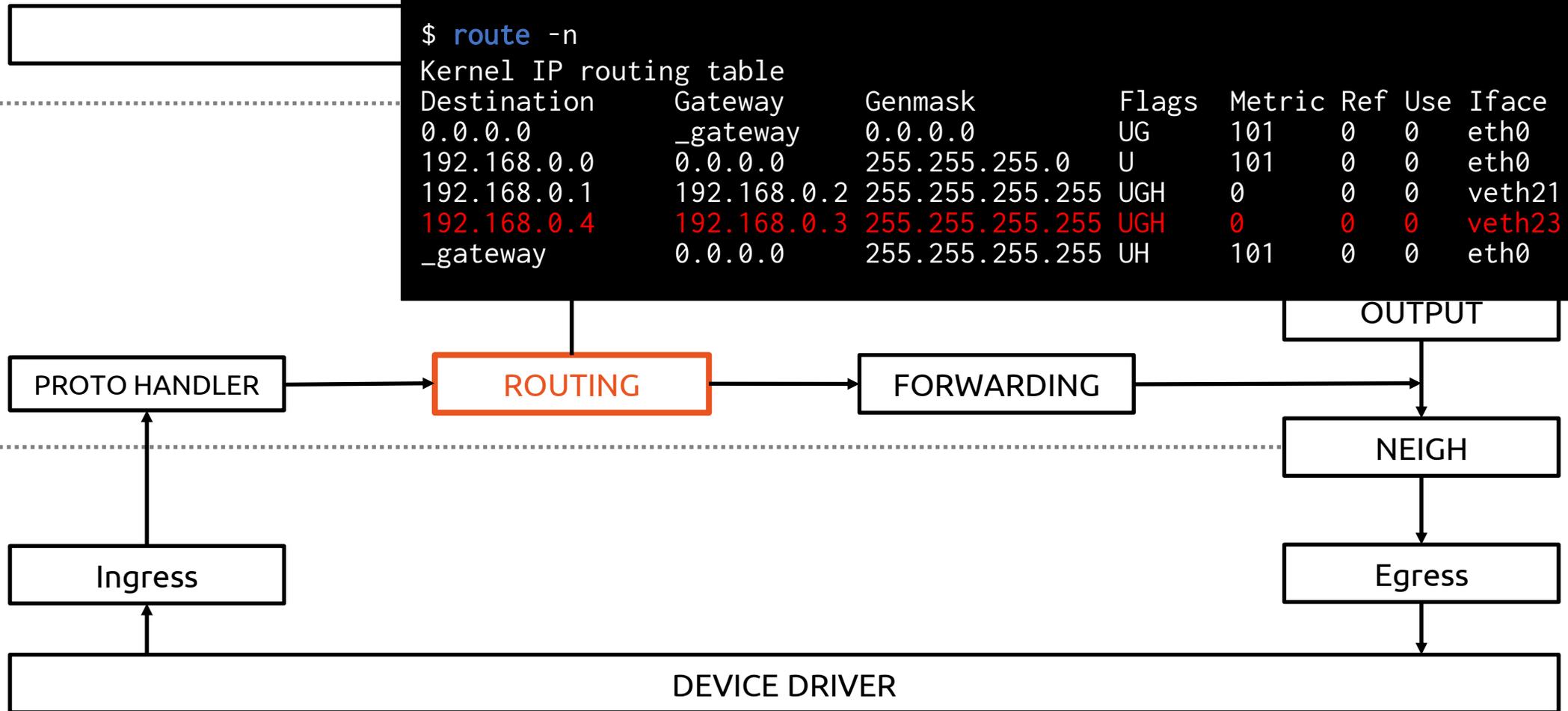
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$ route -n
Kernel IP routing table
Destination      Gateway         Genmask         Flags   Metric  Ref  Use  Iface
0.0.0.0          _gateway       0.0.0.0         UG      101    0    0   eth0
192.168.0.0      0.0.0.0        255.255.255.0   U       101    0    0   eth0
192.168.0.1      192.168.0.2   255.255.255.255 UGH     0     0    0   veth21
192.168.0.4      192.168.0.3   255.255.255.255 UGH     0     0    0   veth23
_gateway         0.0.0.0        255.255.255.255 UH      101    0    0   eth0
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L4~

L3

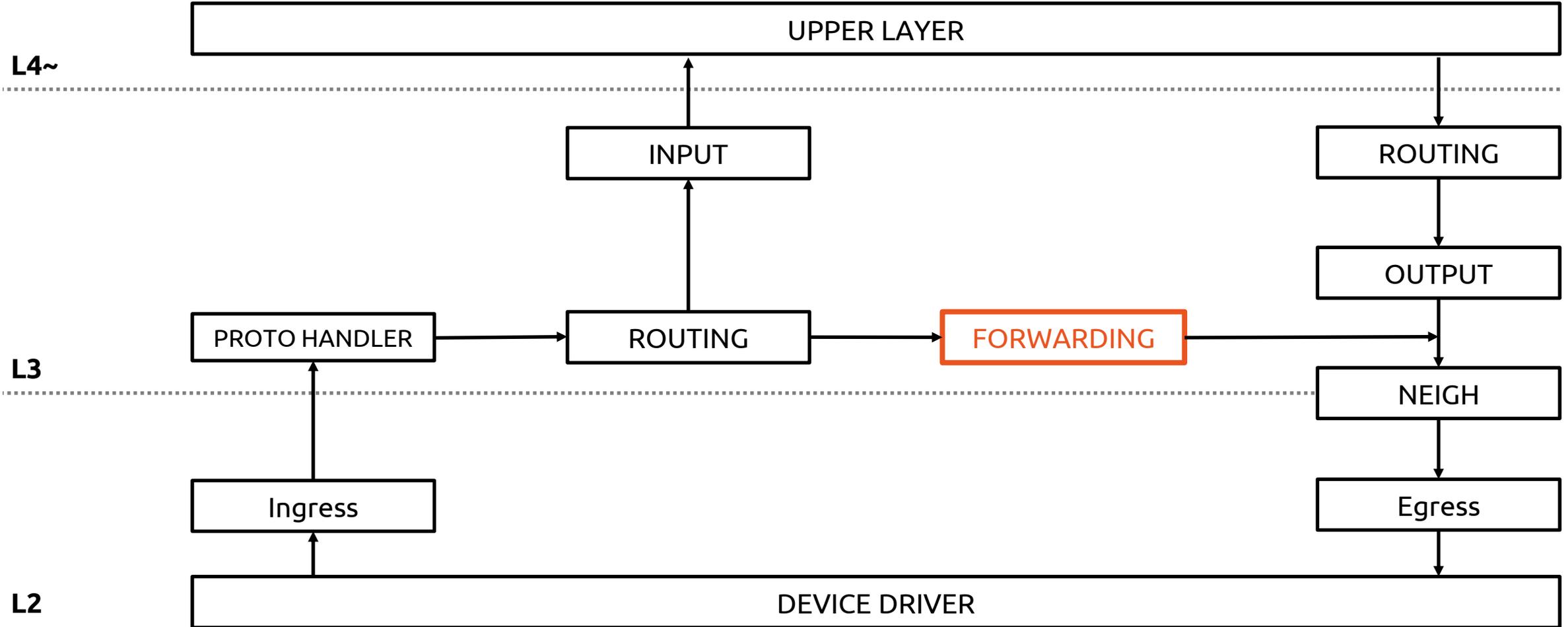
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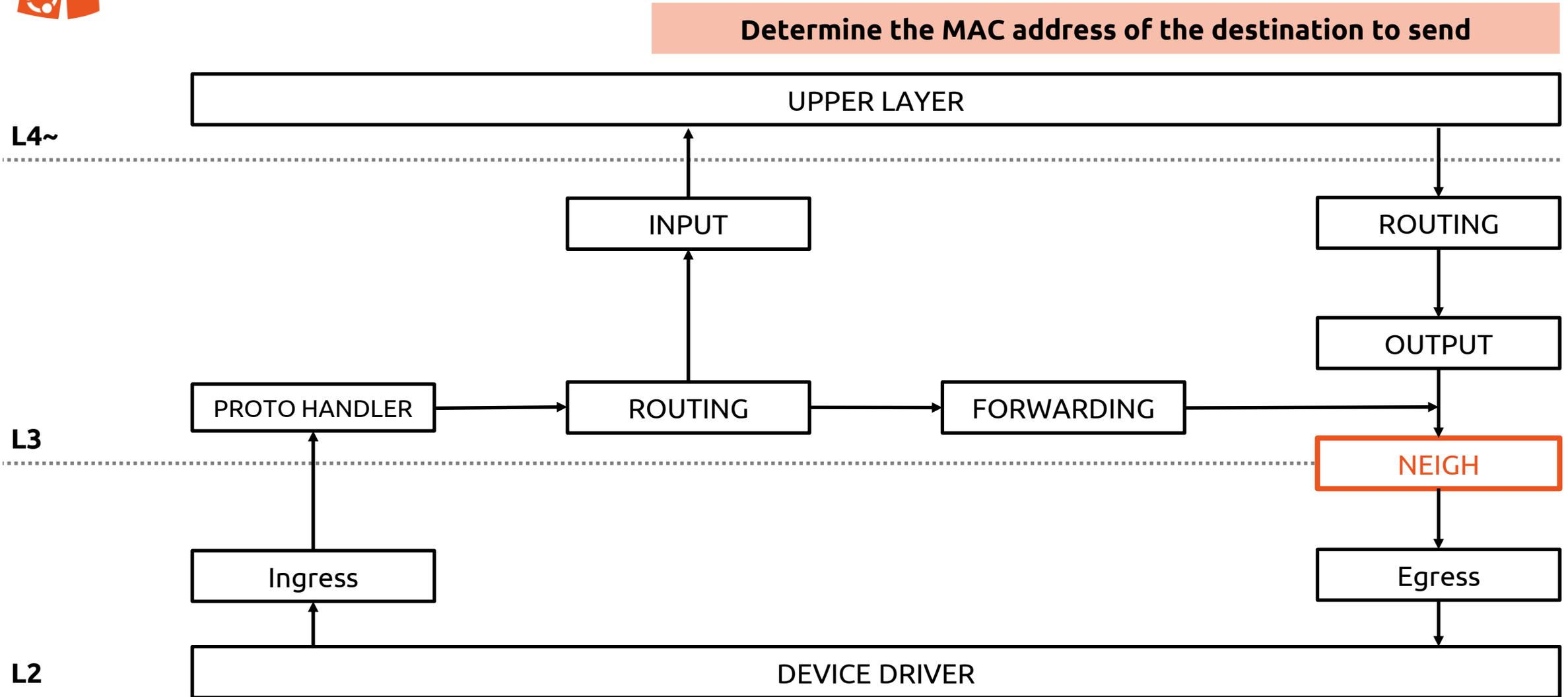
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If forwarding is required, send to corresponding interface



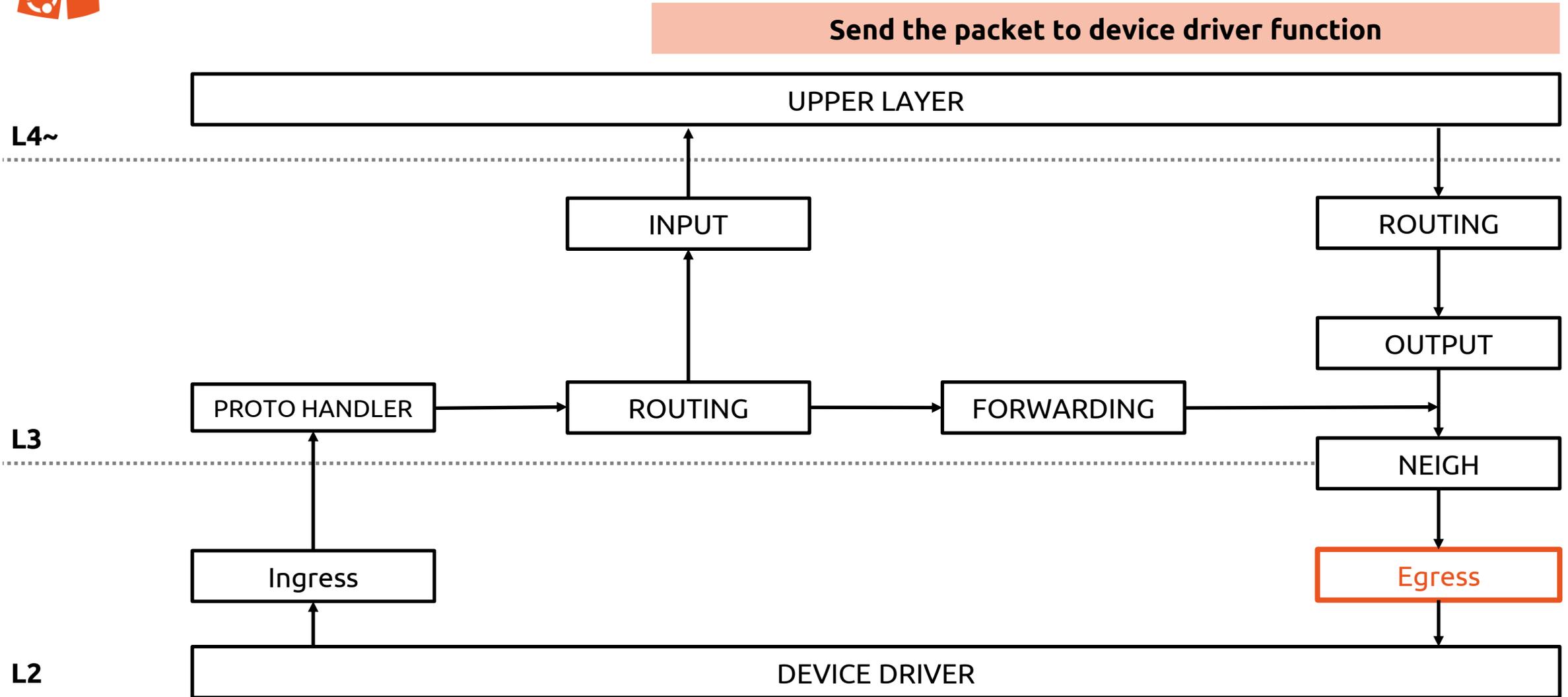


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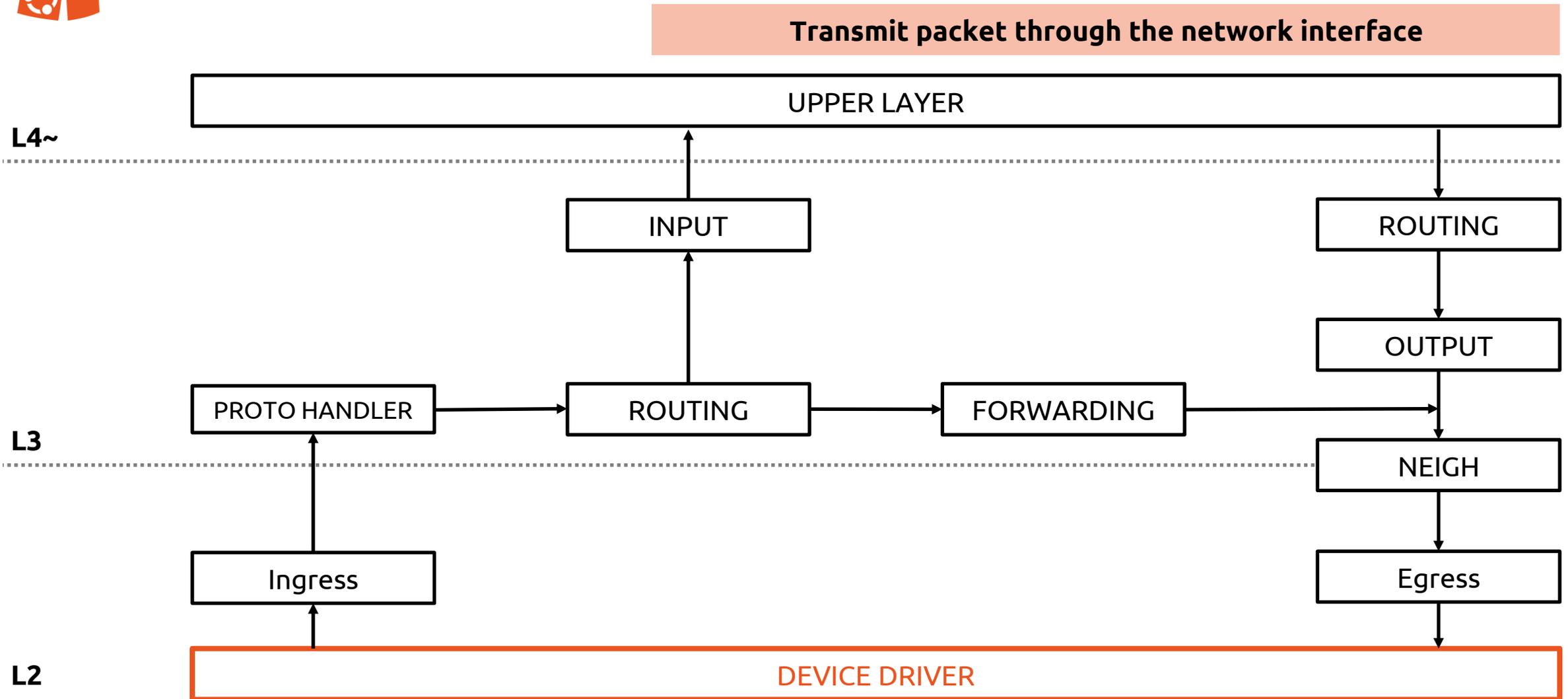


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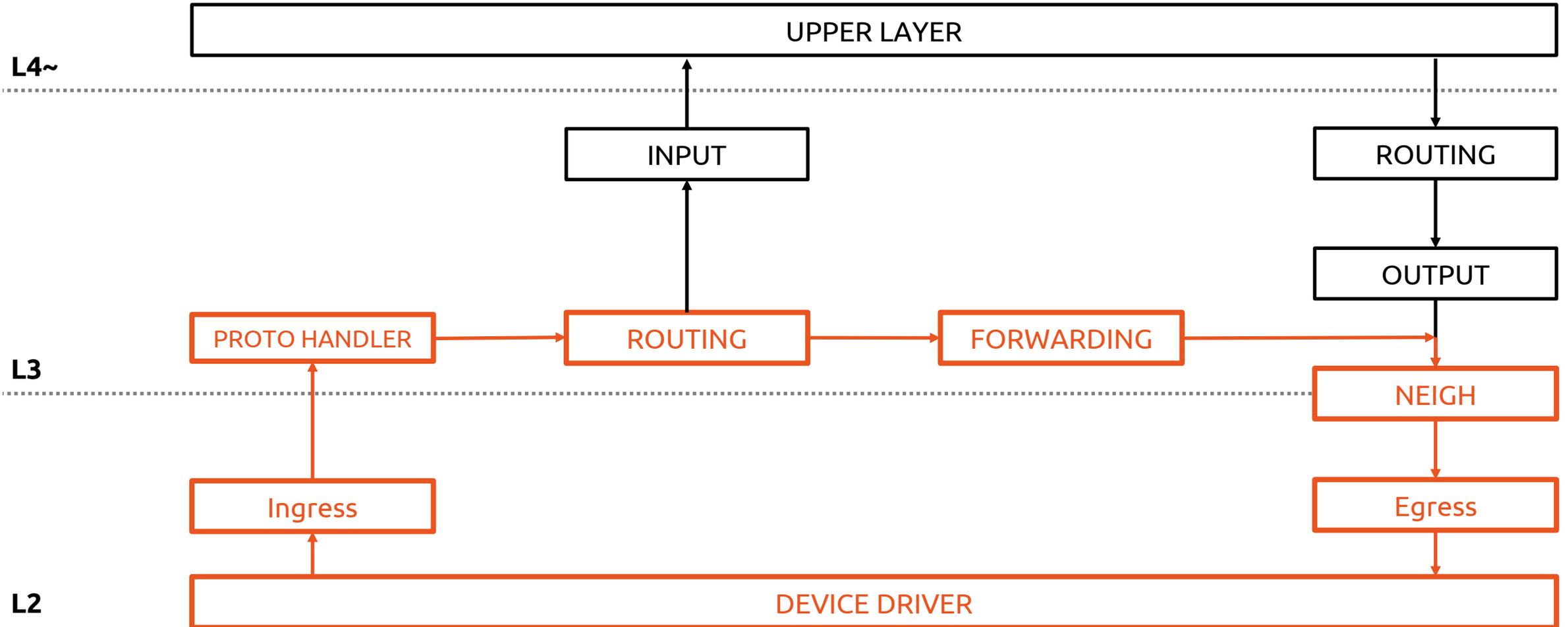


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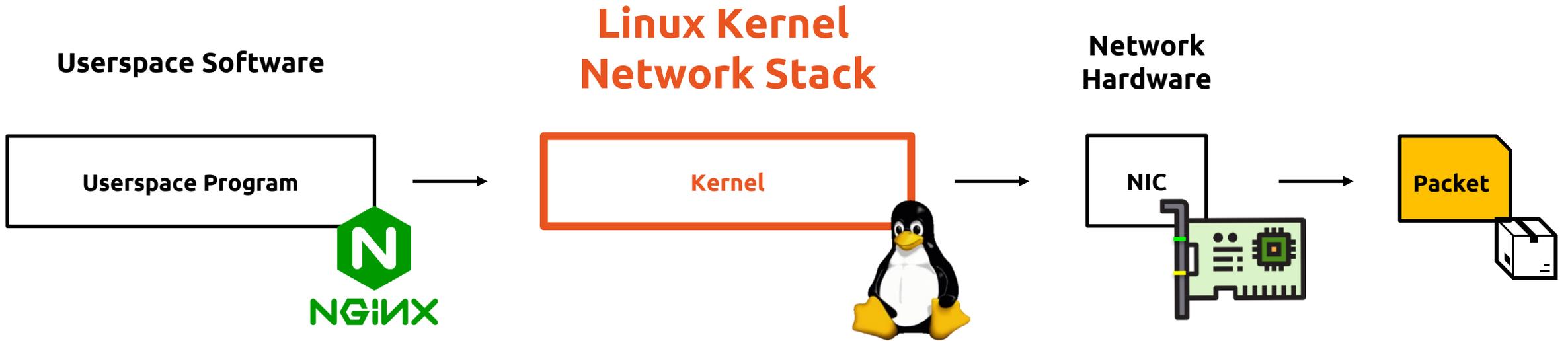


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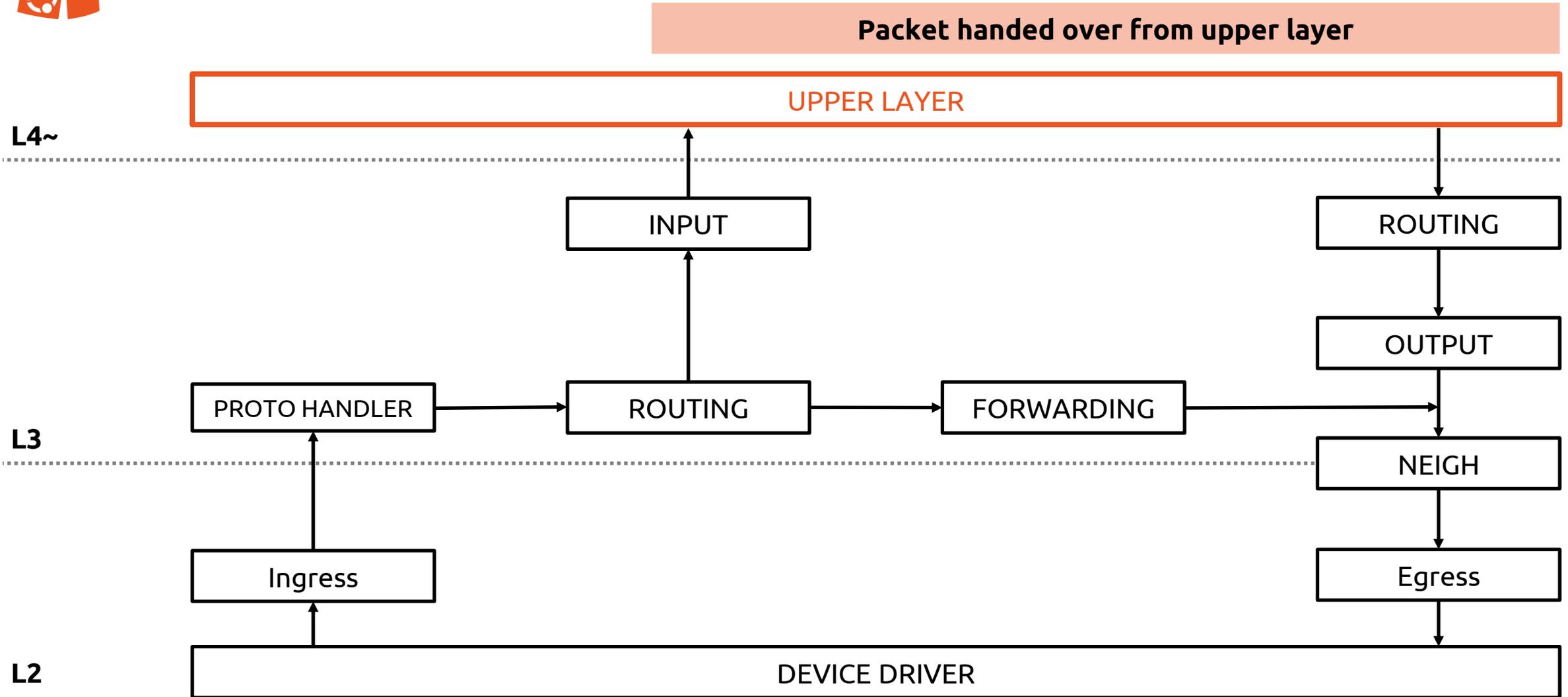


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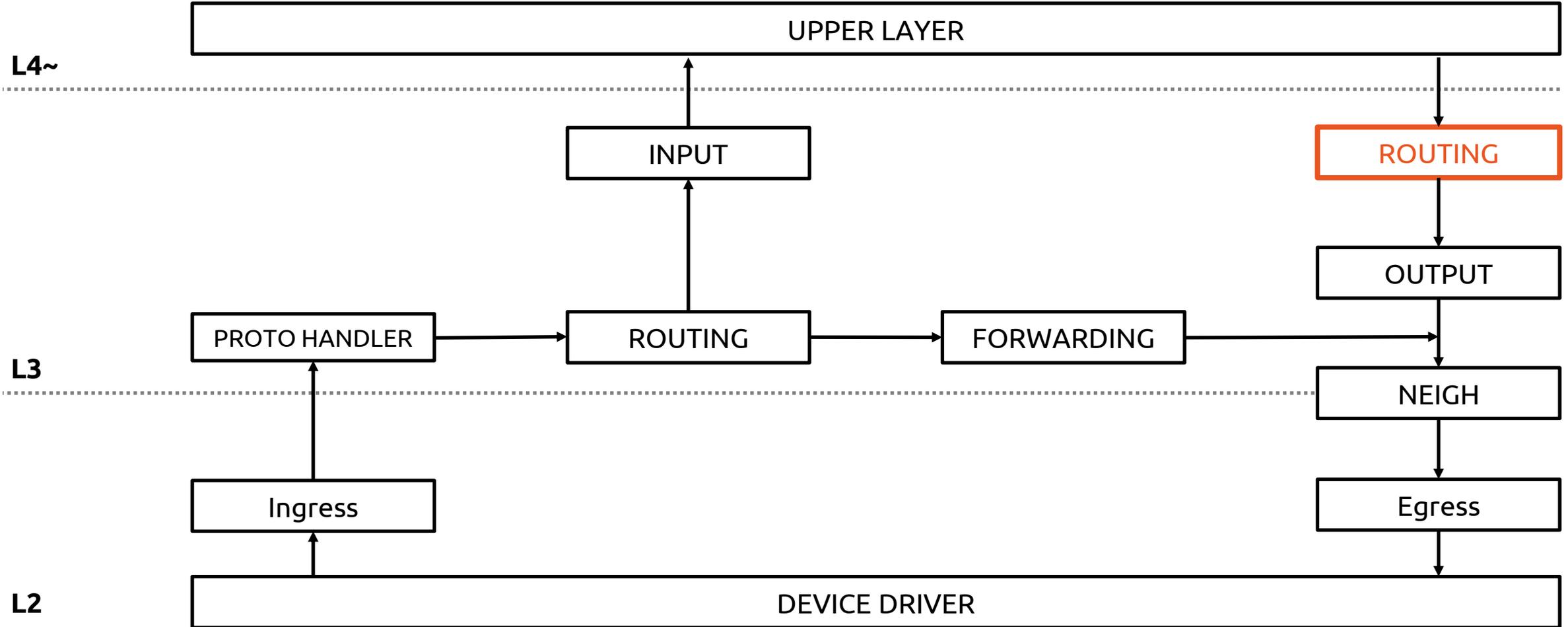
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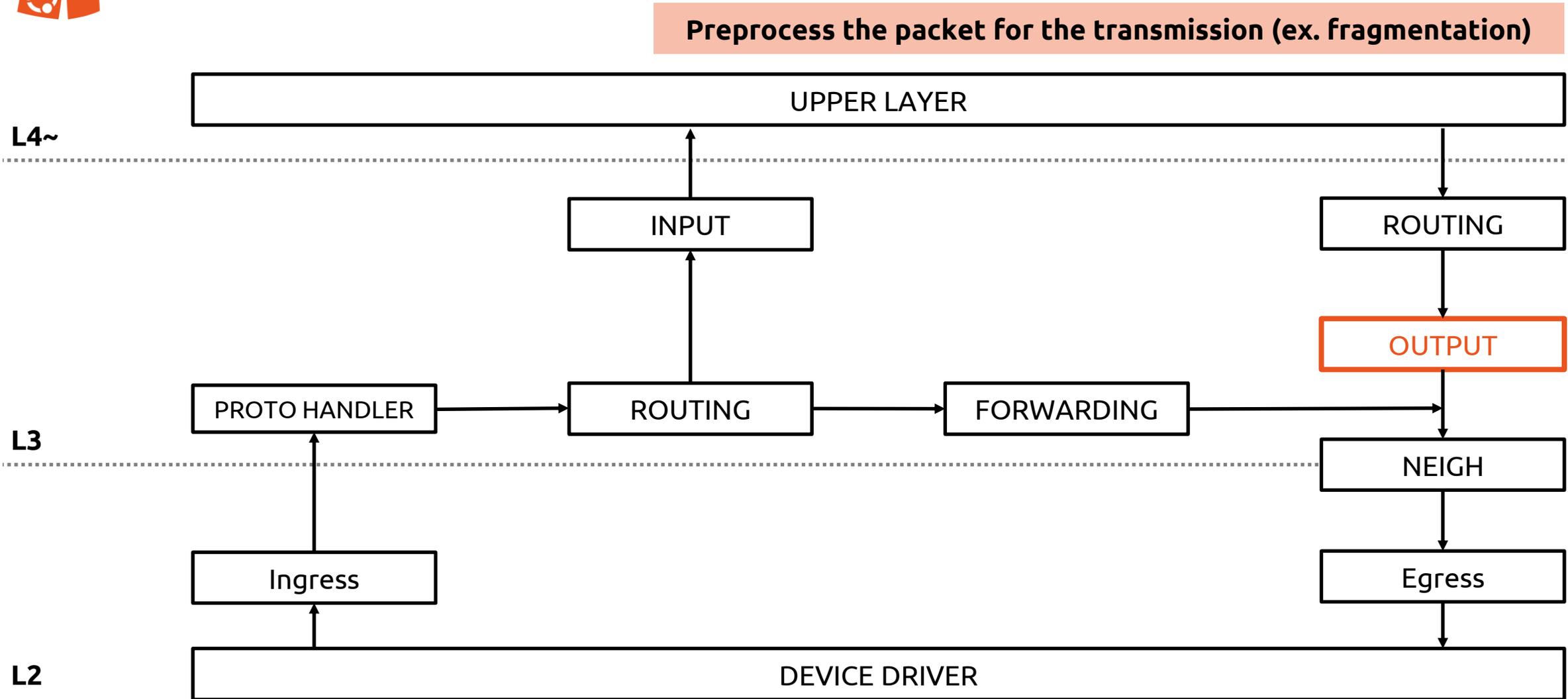
# Packet Sending Path

Check the ROUTING table to see which interface to send packet



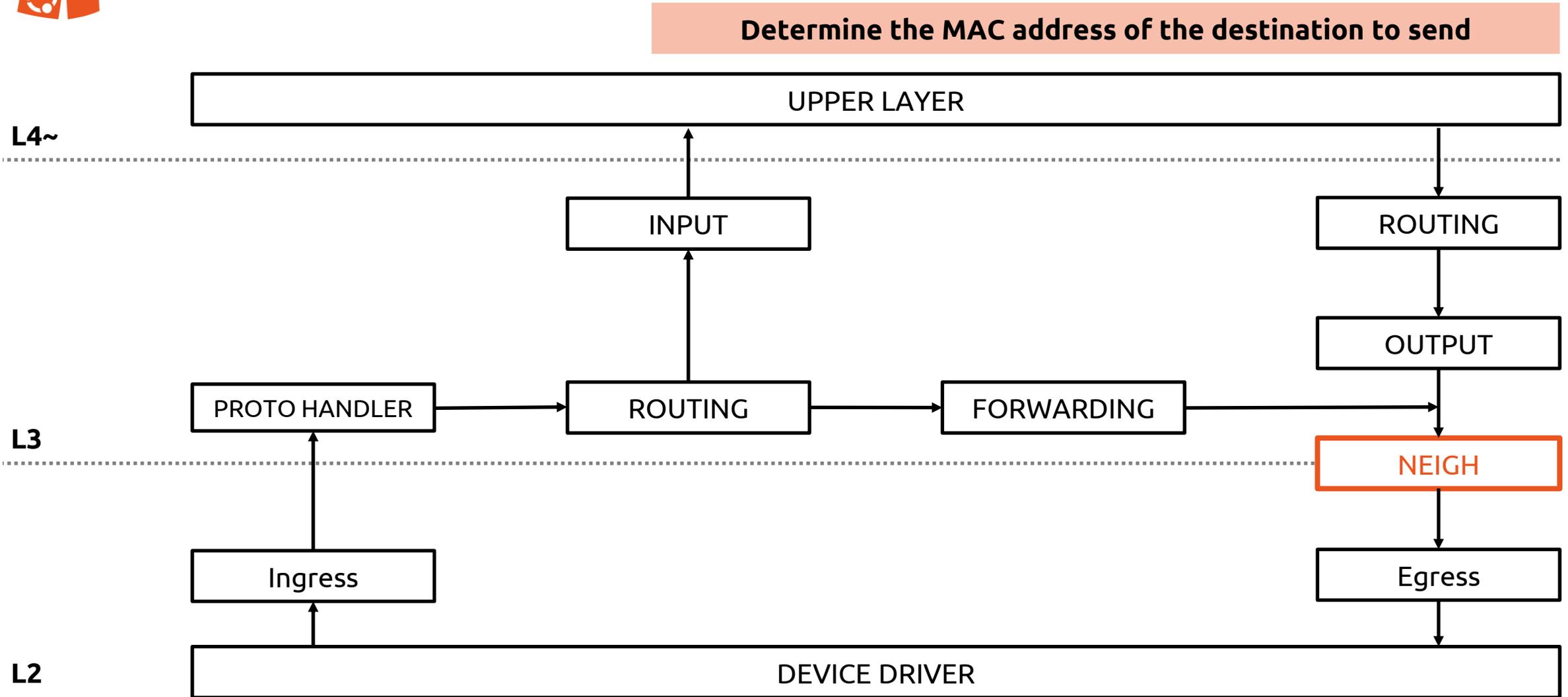


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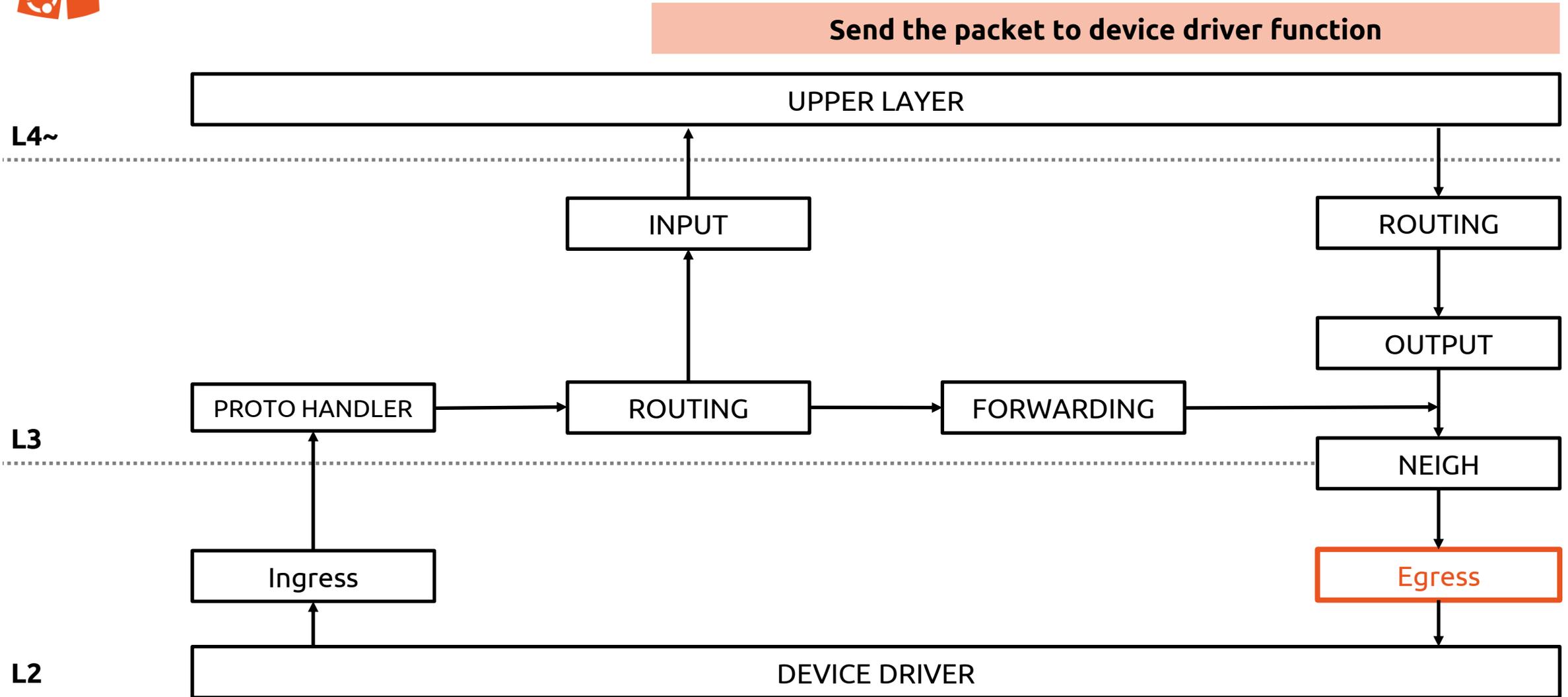


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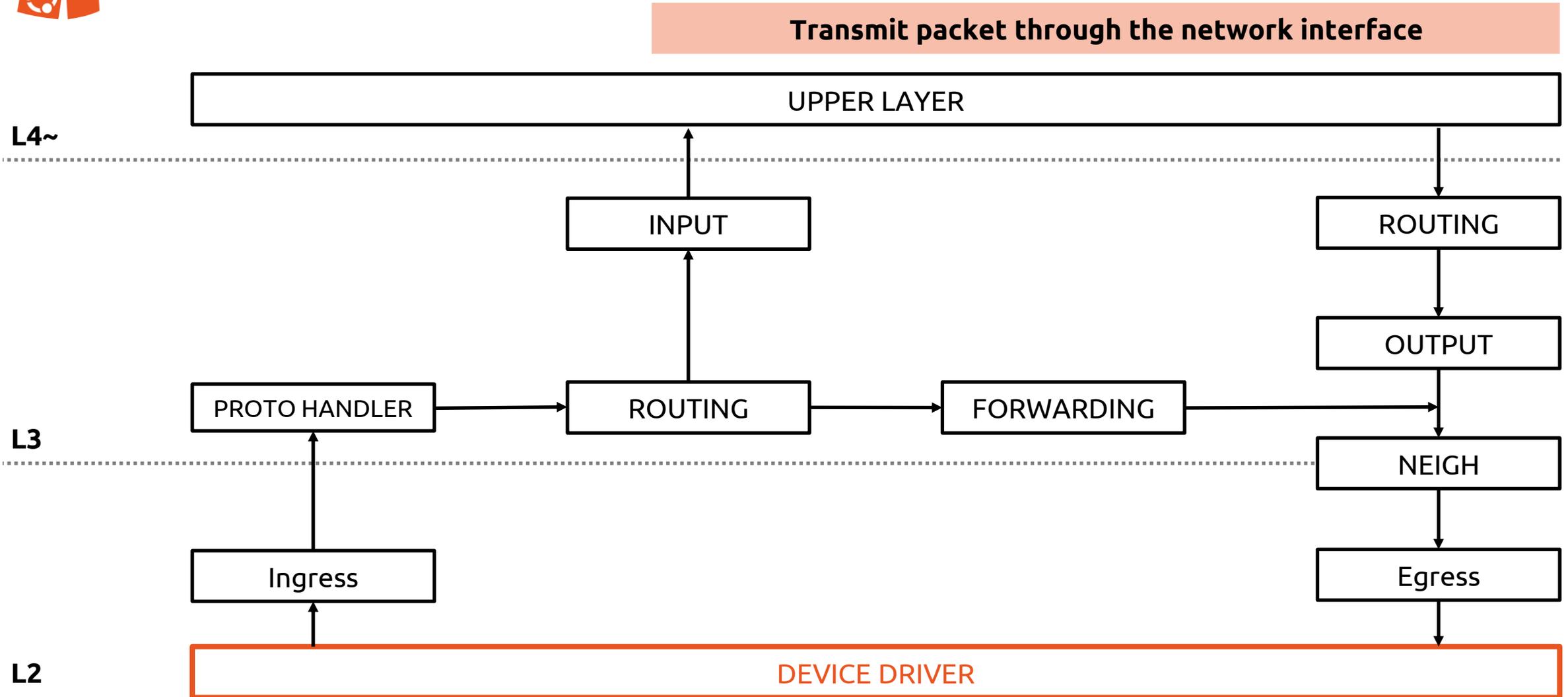


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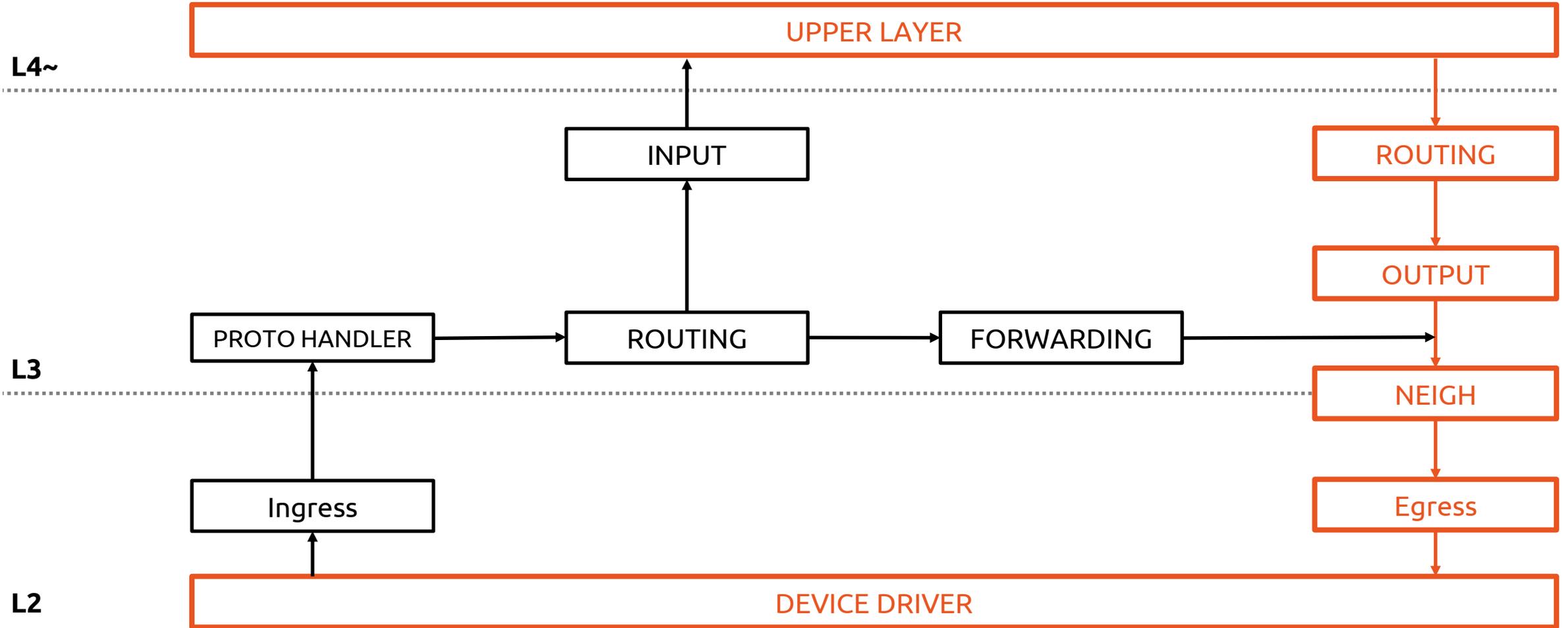


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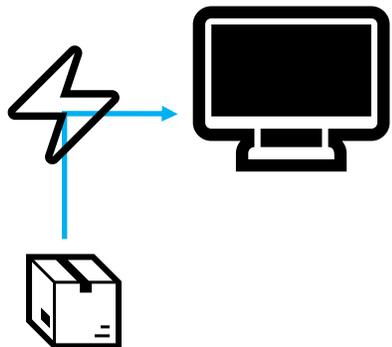
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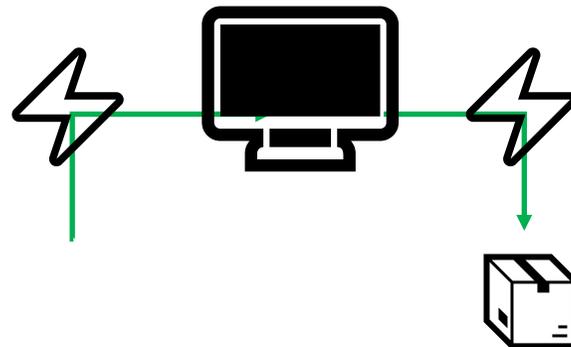


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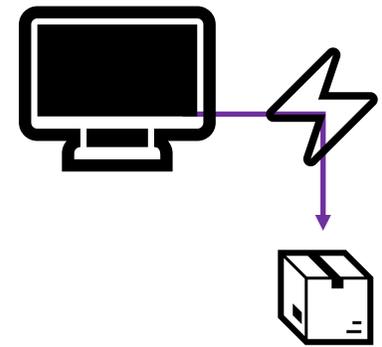
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## ② Forwarding Path

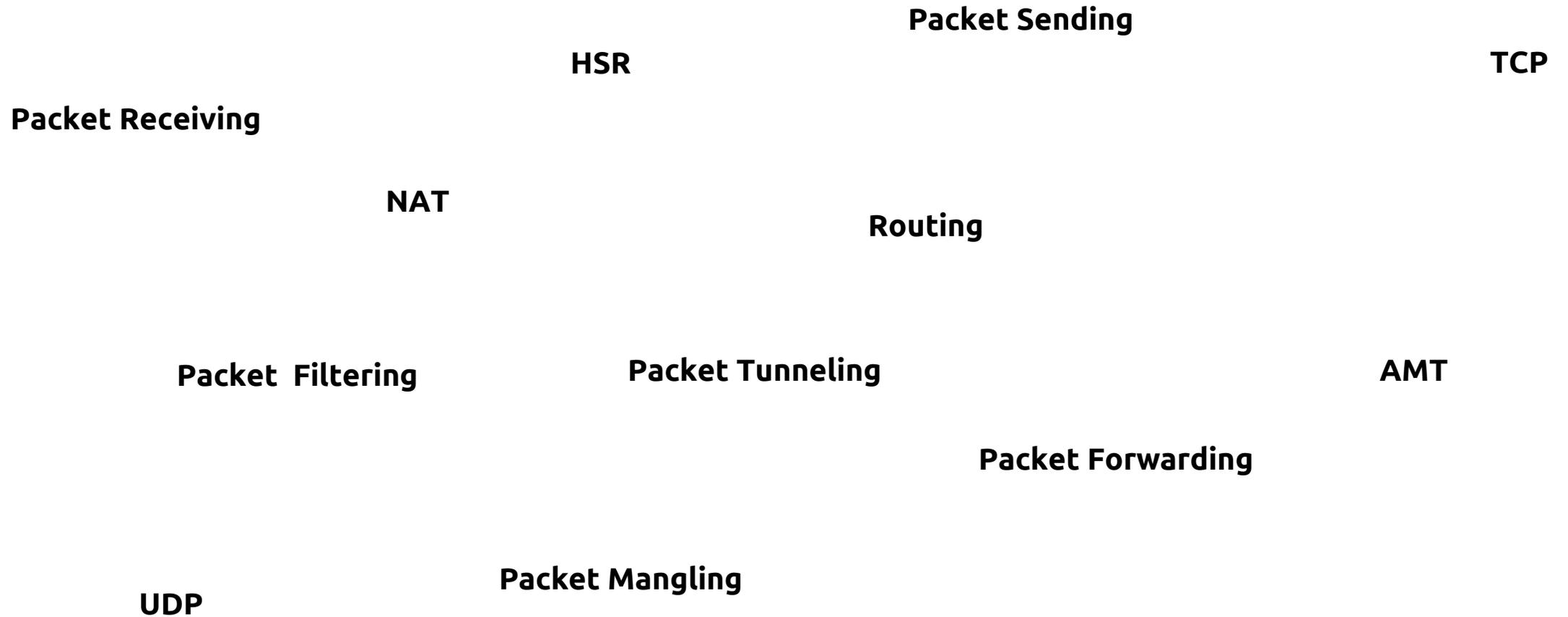


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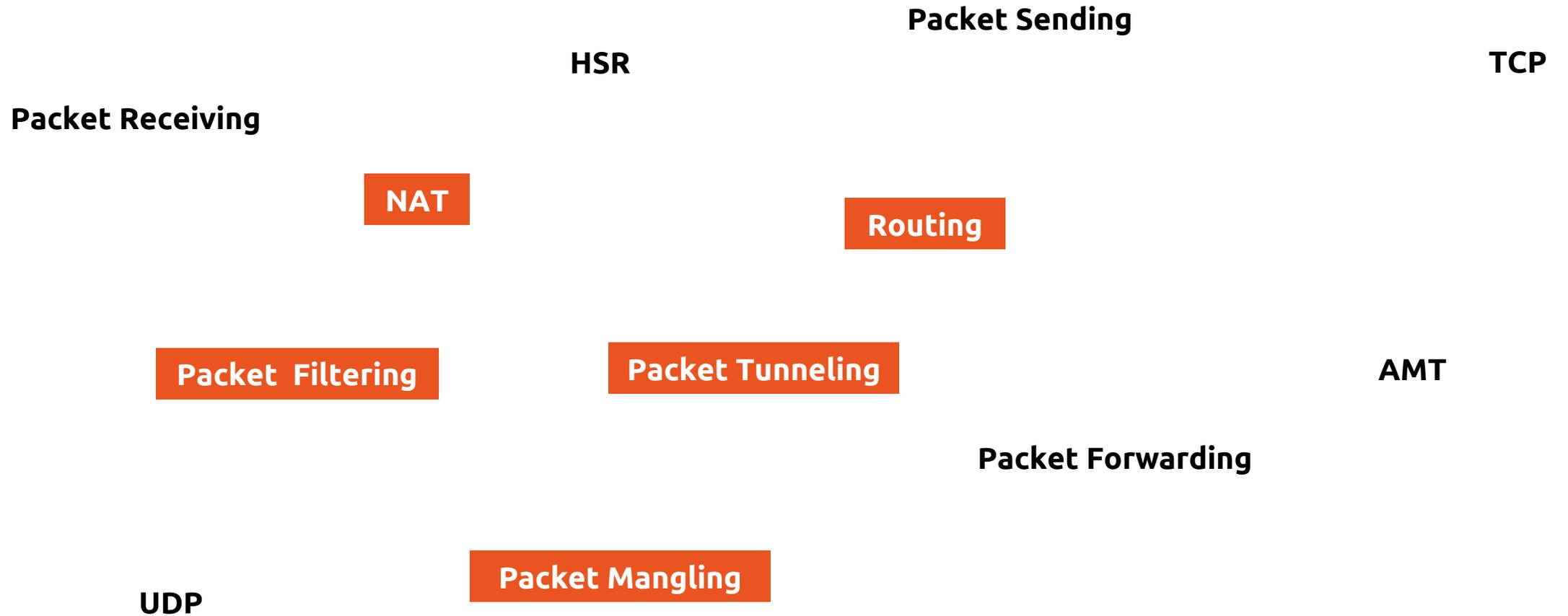


# Linux Kernel Networking Stack



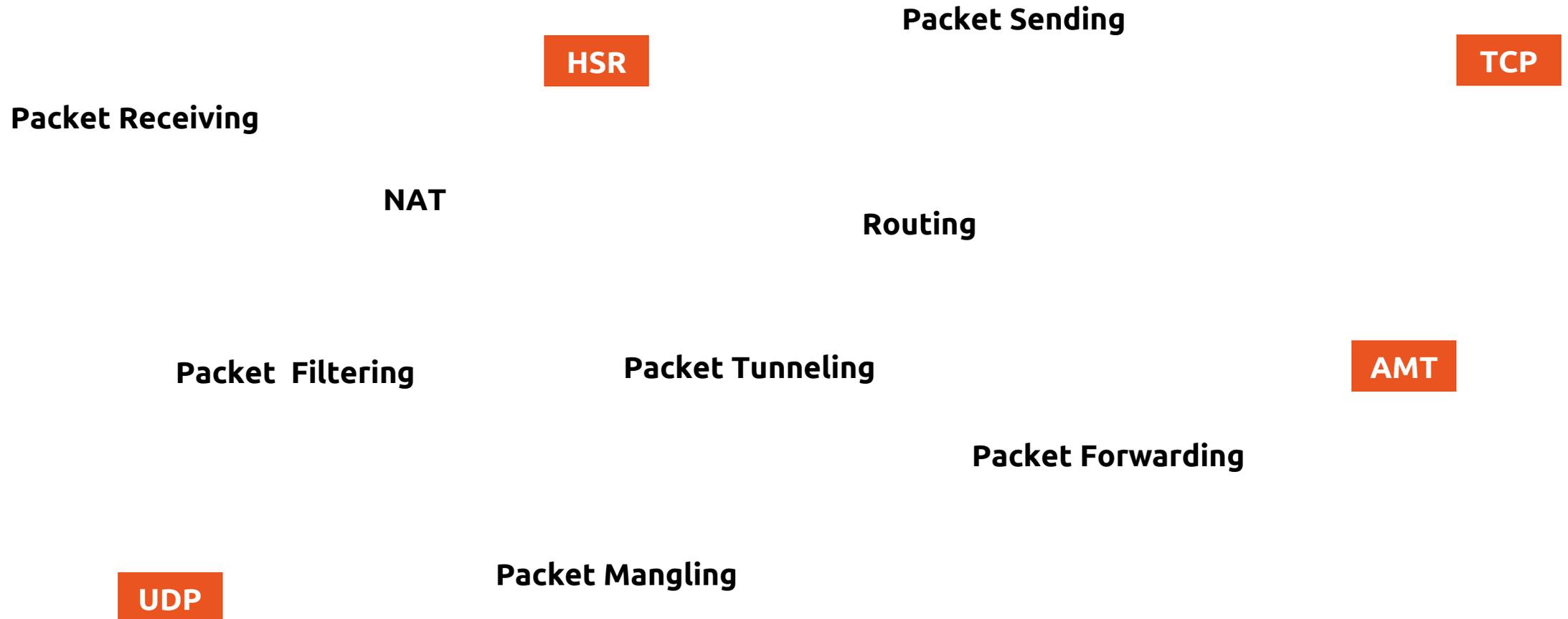


# Packet Processing





# Network Protocol





# 2

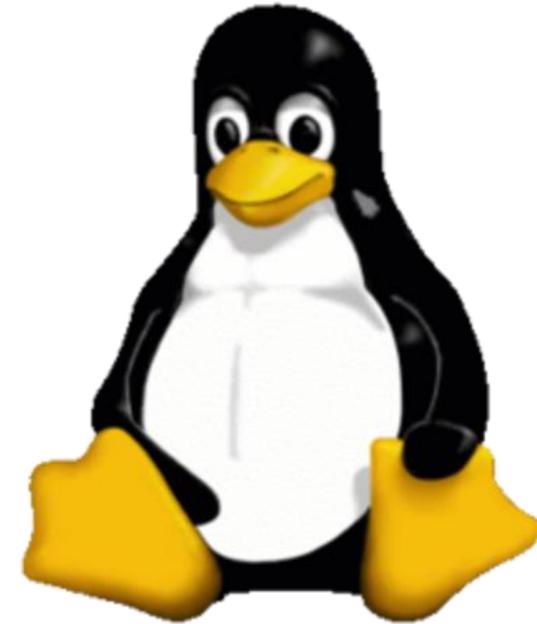
## Kernel Ecosystem



# Linux Kernel

**The core of the Linux Operating System**

**Interface that connects computer hardware to processes**



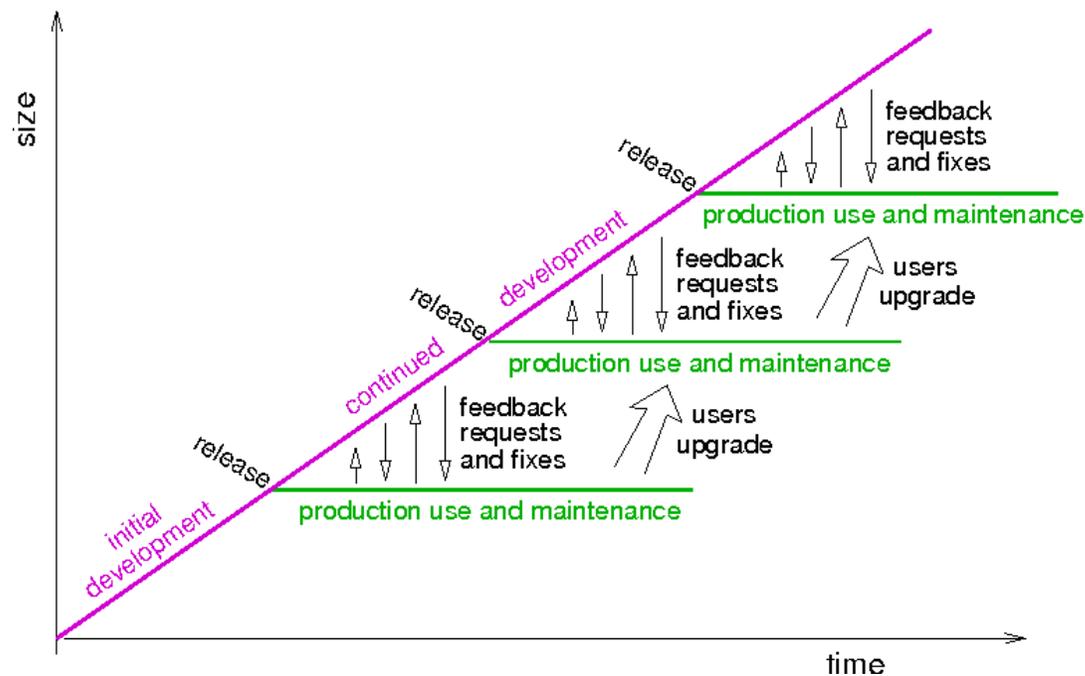
*Linux Kernel mascot Tux*



# Linux Kernel Development

The largest open-source project involving developers worldwide

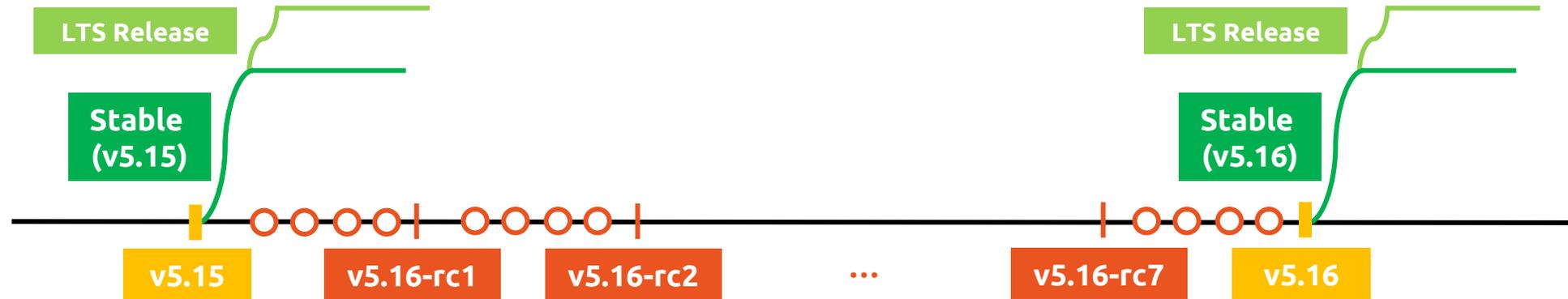
Development is done in units called **Patch**



<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Perpetual-development%3A-A-model-of-the-Linux-kernel-Feitelson/eb7cf446e983e98c1400c8181949f038caf0c8a8/figure/1>



# Kernel Release



new kernel released in every 10-11 weeks (2 months), stable kernel released once a week

Mainline Kernel

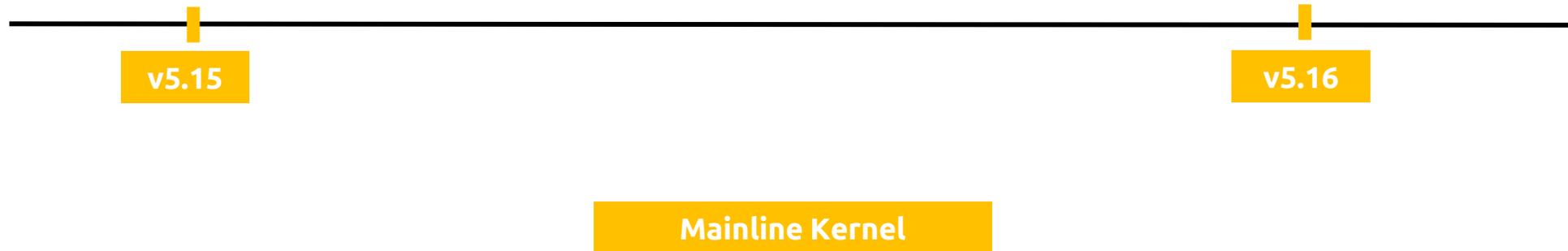
Stable

Long-term

Release Candidate (RC)



# Kernel Release - 1. Mainline Kernel



- released every 9 to 10 weeks
- **New features introduced, major bug fix patches**



## Kernel Release - 2. Stable



Stable

- Switch to stable mode after mainline kernel release
- **Bug fixes** & mainline kernel backporting



## Kernel Release - 3. LTS Release



LTS Release

- provides a **critical bug fix** among the stable release versions



## Kernel Release - 4. Release Candidate (RC)

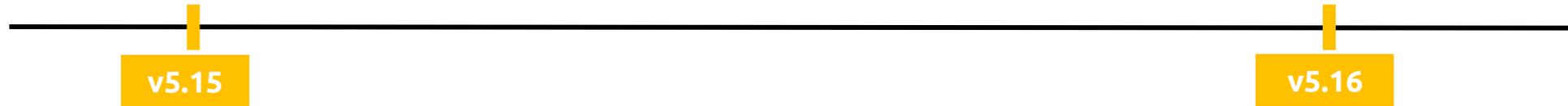


### Release Candidate (RC)

- "**pre-release**" of Mainline kernel
- For **testing new features**
- This release **must be compiled** from source
- Usually, released up to rc7



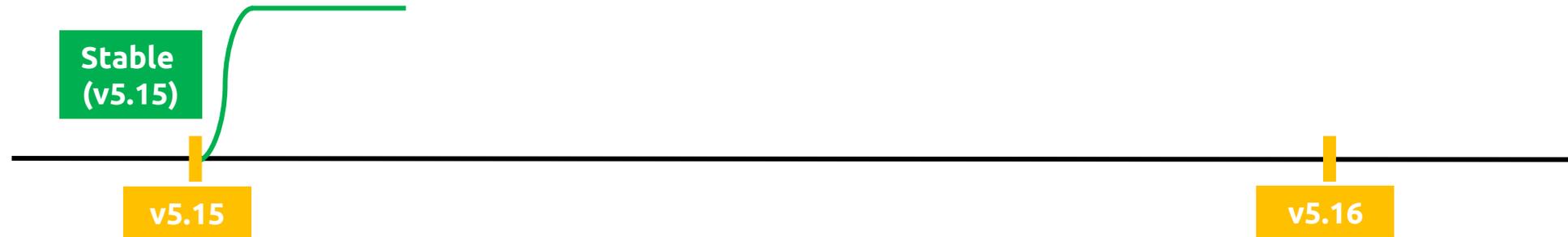
# Linux Kernel Release Cycle



5.15 mainline  
kernel version release



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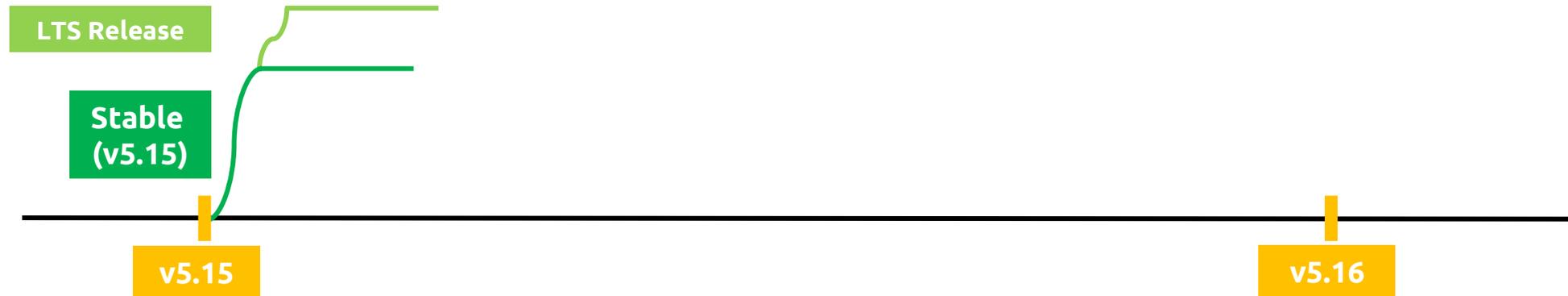


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# Linux Kernel Release Cycle



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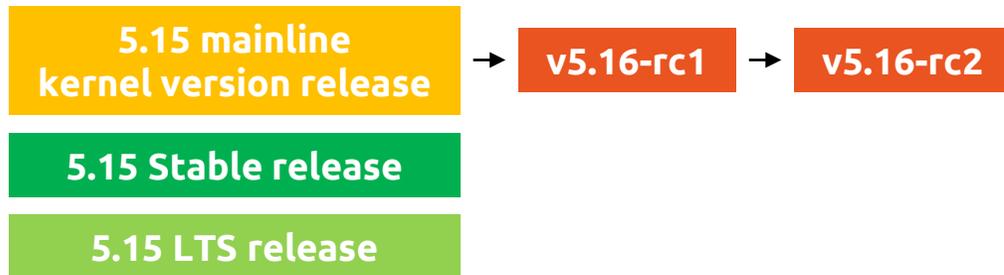
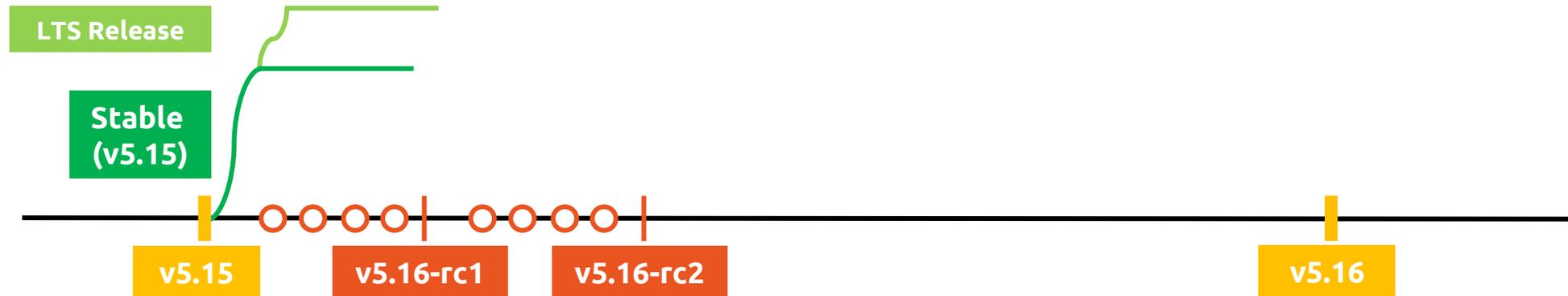


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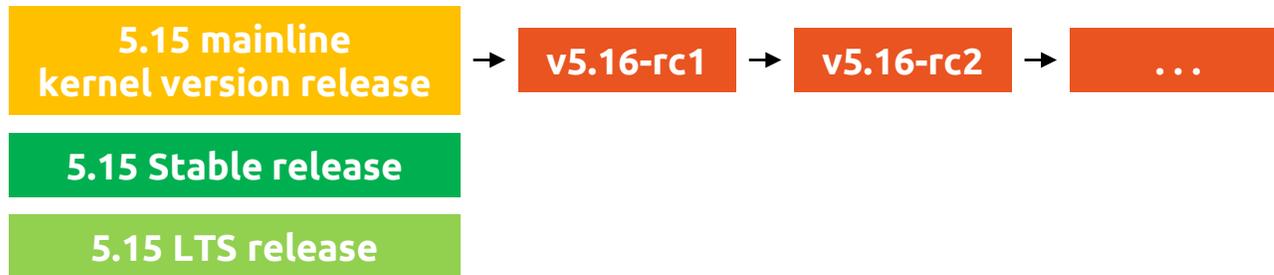
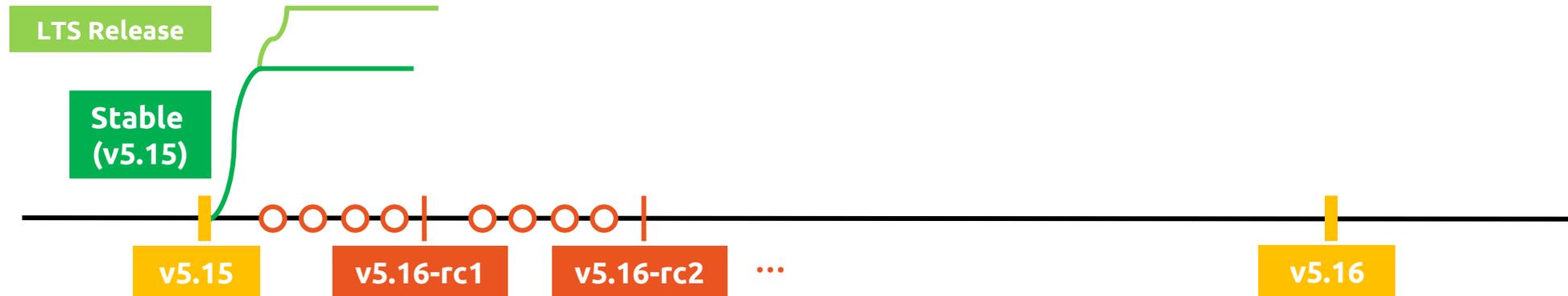


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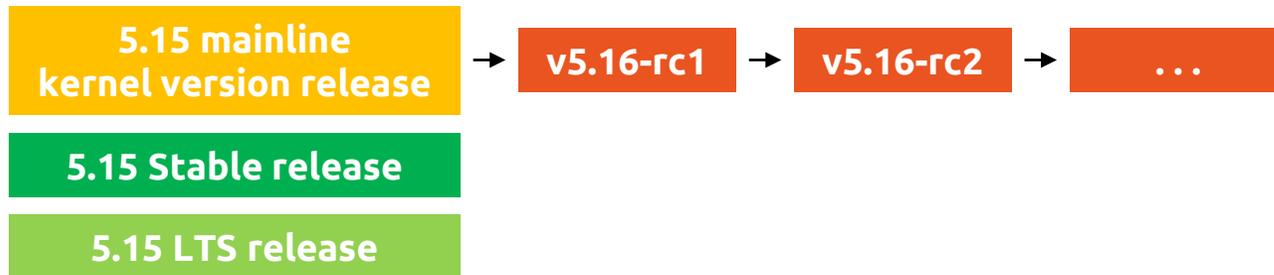
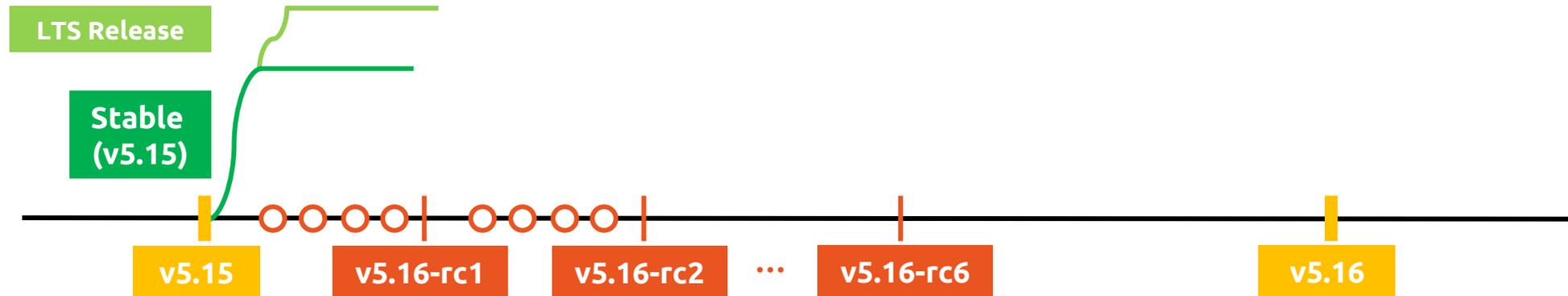


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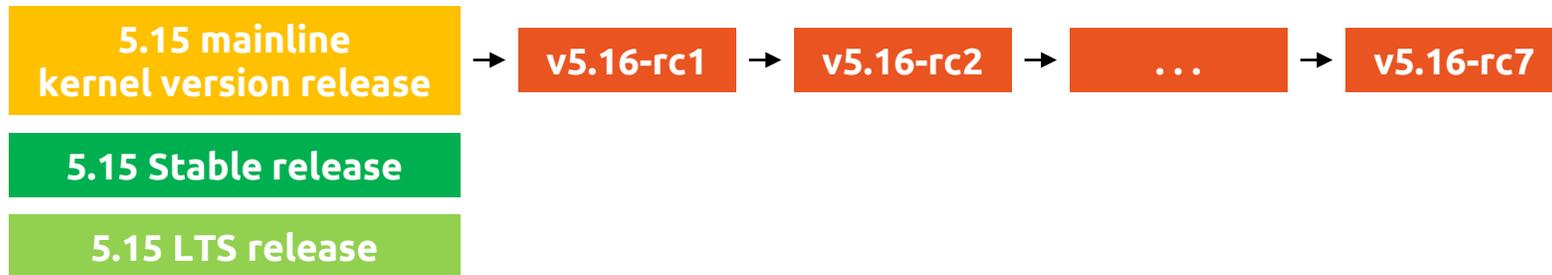
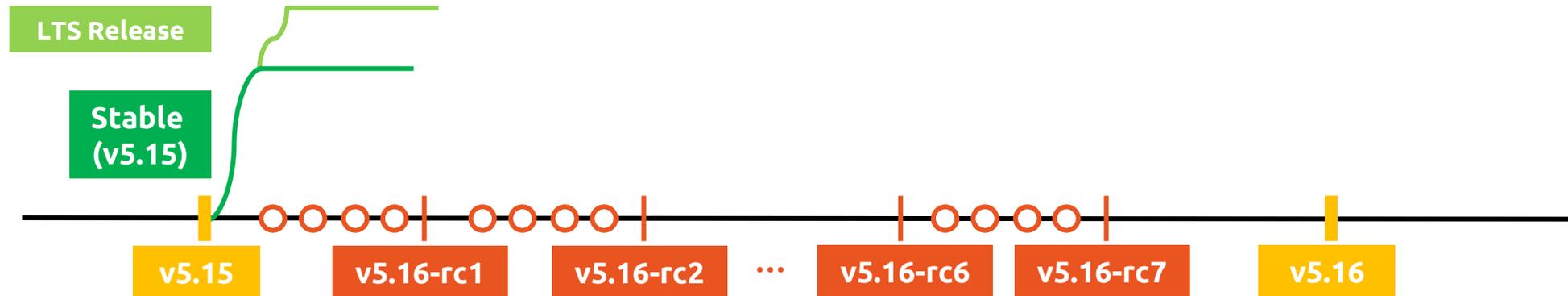


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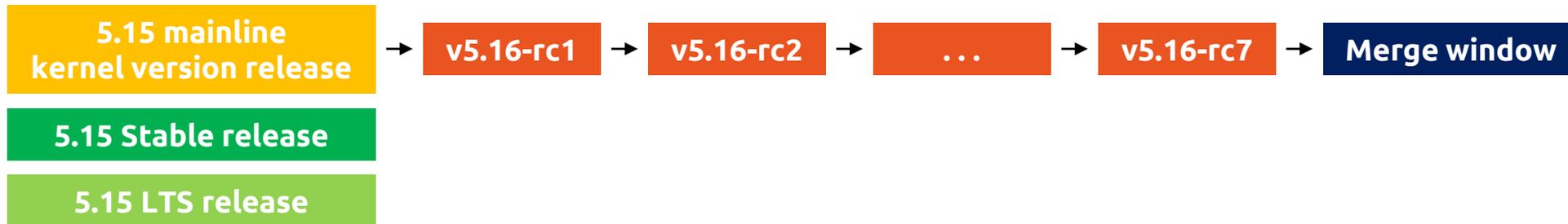
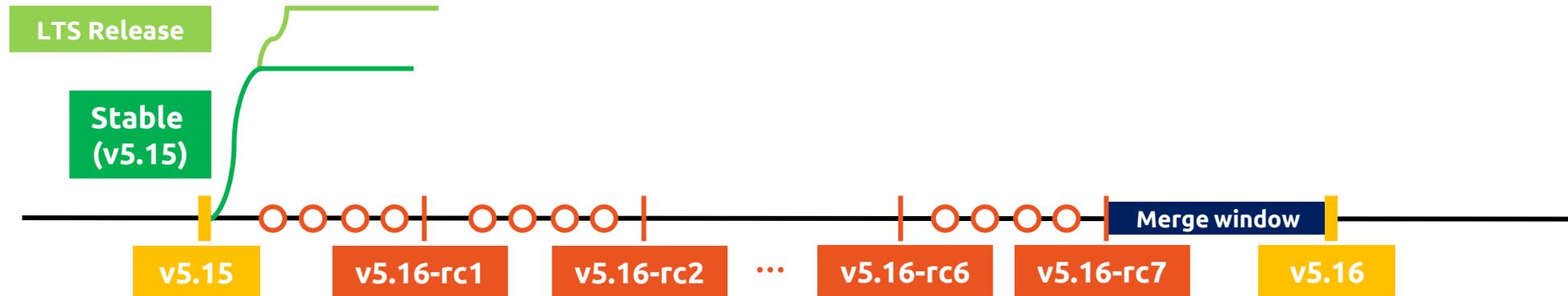
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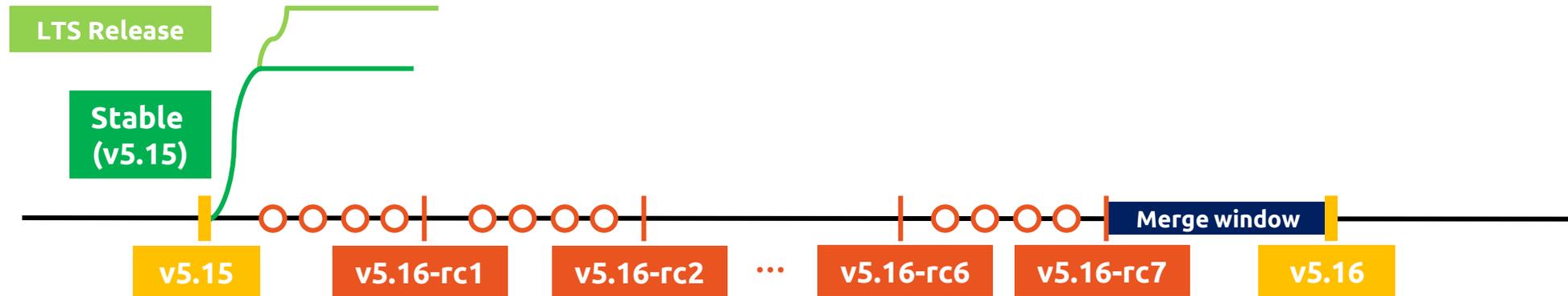


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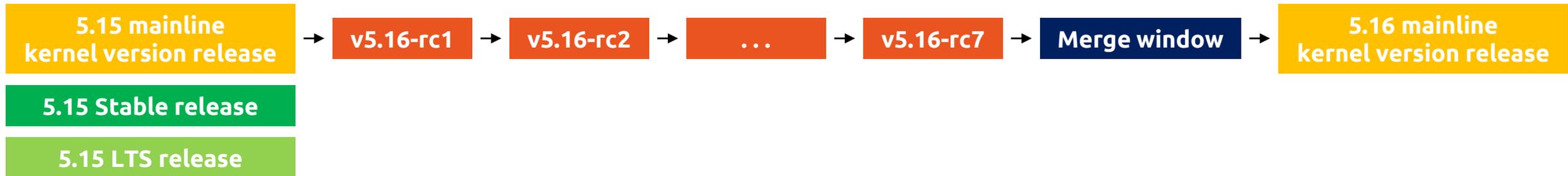
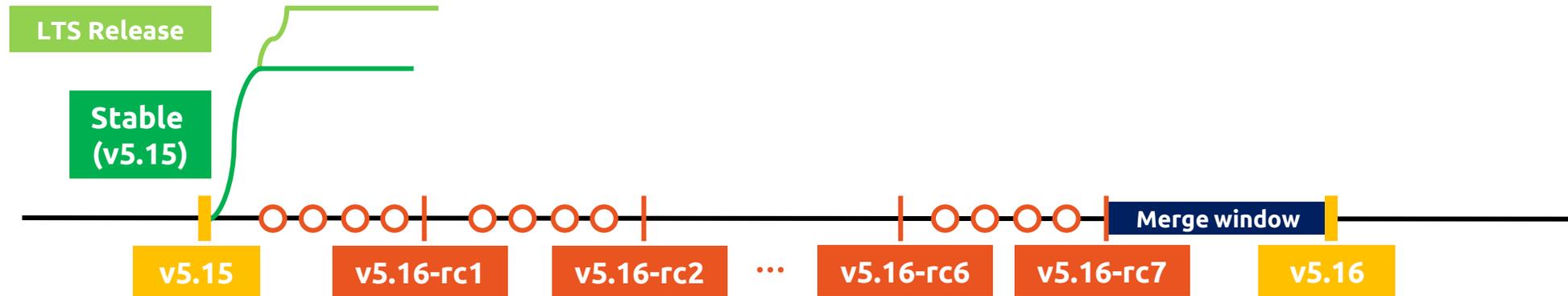


**\* Merge window (2 weeks)**

- Linux Torvalds receives a pull of code from the maintainer of subsystem and adds it together
- New version of the kernel is released after merge window
  
- After period ends, the kernel is developed every two weeks.  
Naming convention: <mainline kernel version name>-rc-<rc version name>



# Linux Kernel Release Cycle





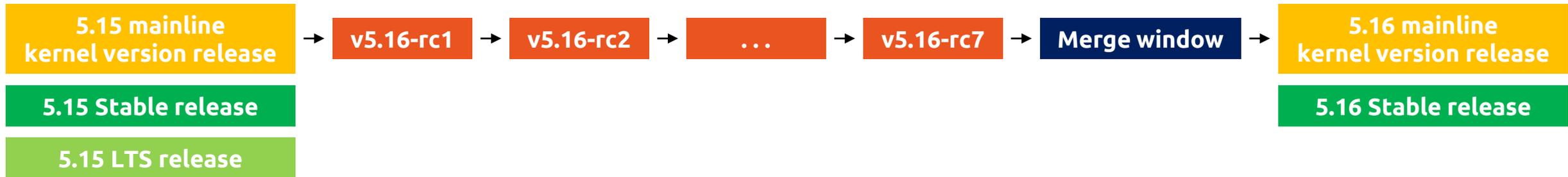
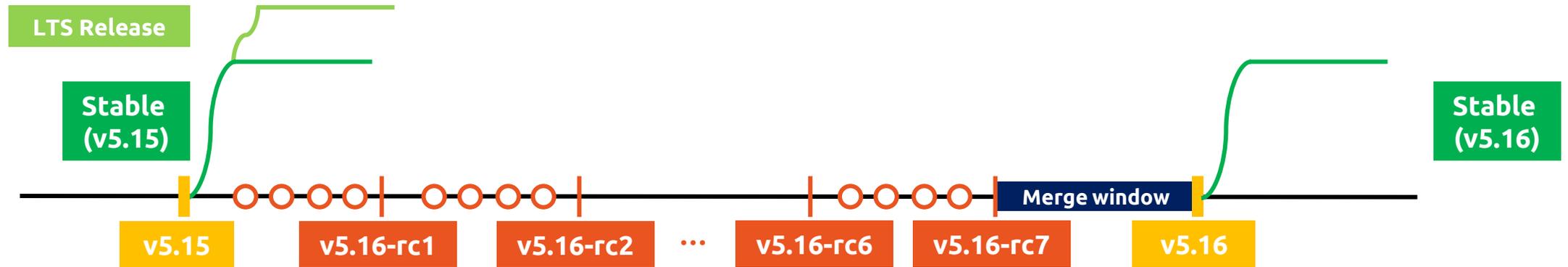
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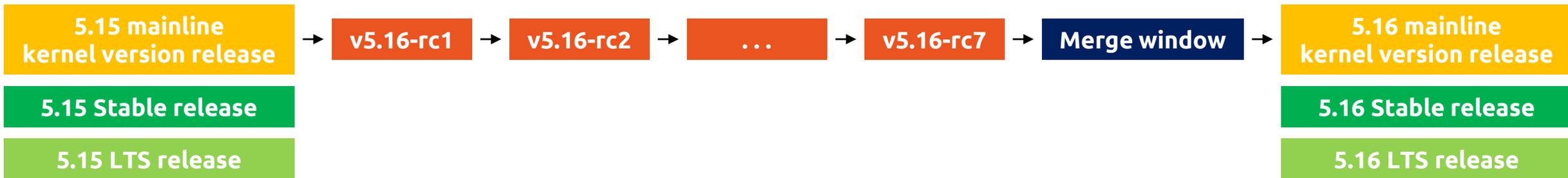
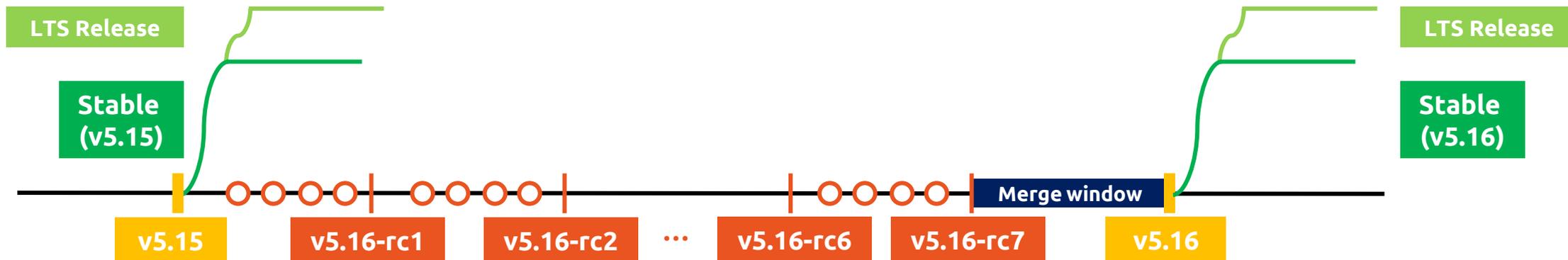


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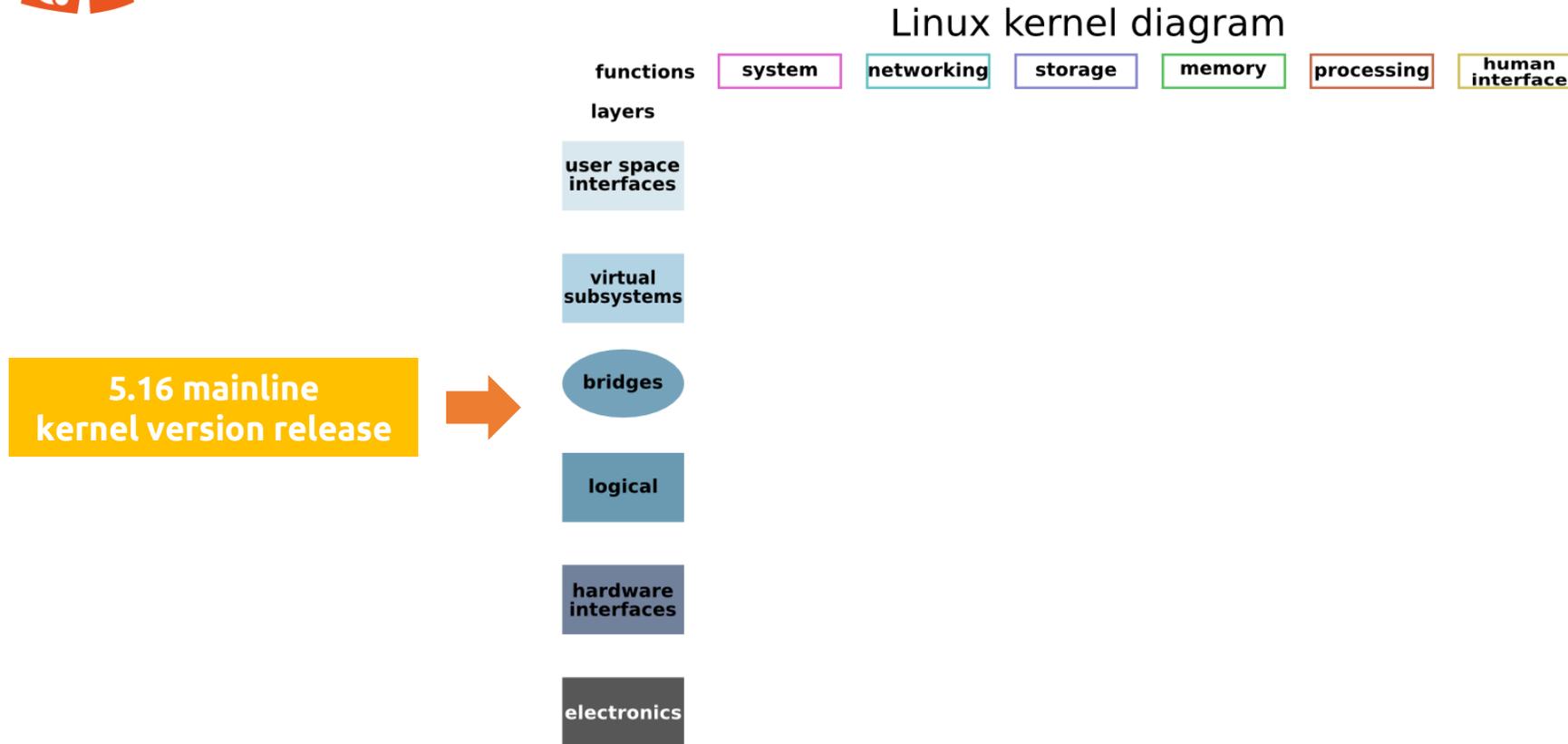
# Linux Kernel Release Cycle





# Linux Kernel Subsystem

<http://www.MakeLinux.net/kernel/diagram>



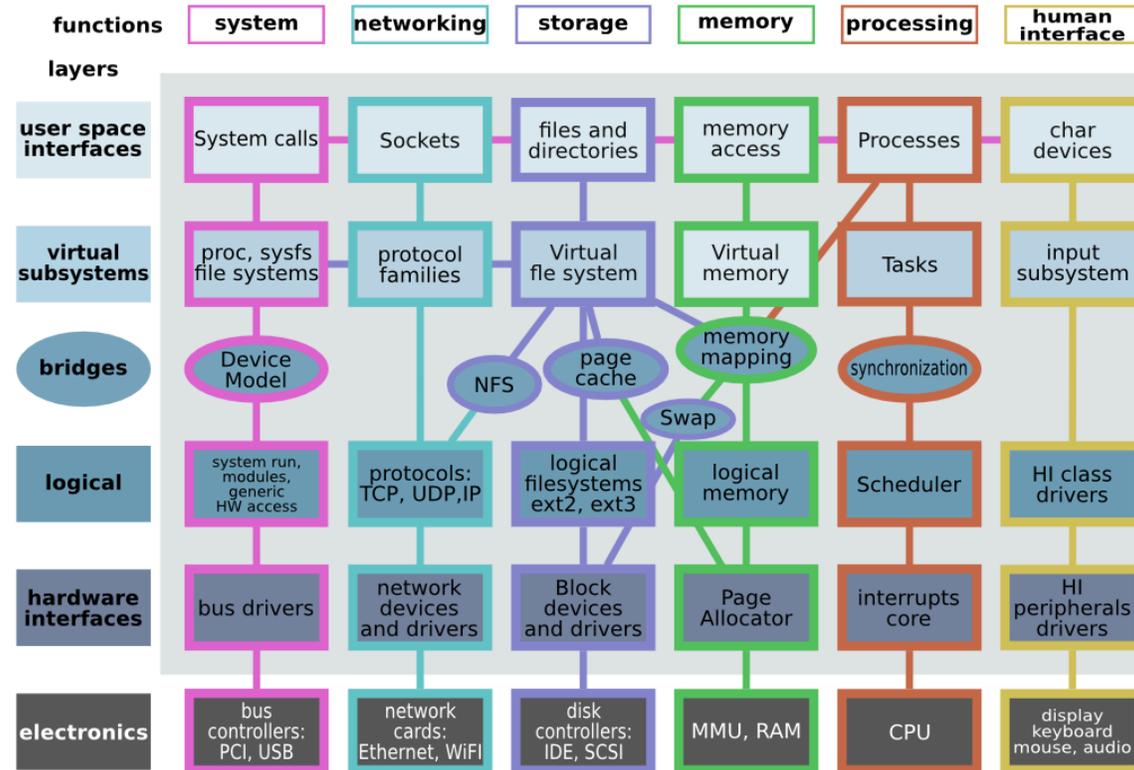
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# Linux Kernel Subsystem

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### Linux kernel diagram



5.16 mainline kernel version release

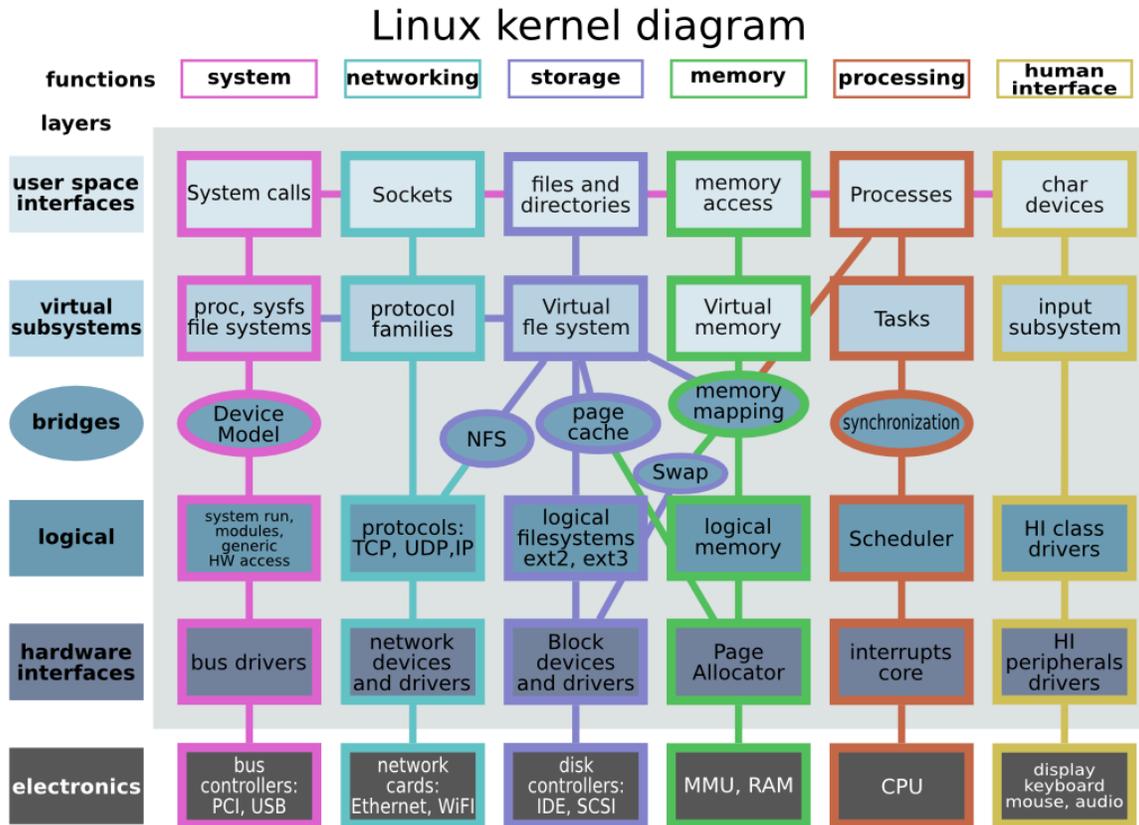


Inside the kernel there are numerous subsystems, Features developed by each subsystem are combined to be released as the mainline kernel



# Linux Kernel Subsystem

<http://www.MakeLinux.net/kernel/diagram>



```
linux $ tree -d -L 1
```

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├── arch
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├── certs
├── crypto
├── Documentation
├── drivers
├── fs
├── include
├── init
├── ipc
├── kernel
├── lib
├── LICENSES
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├── scripts
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├── sound
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├── usr
└── virt

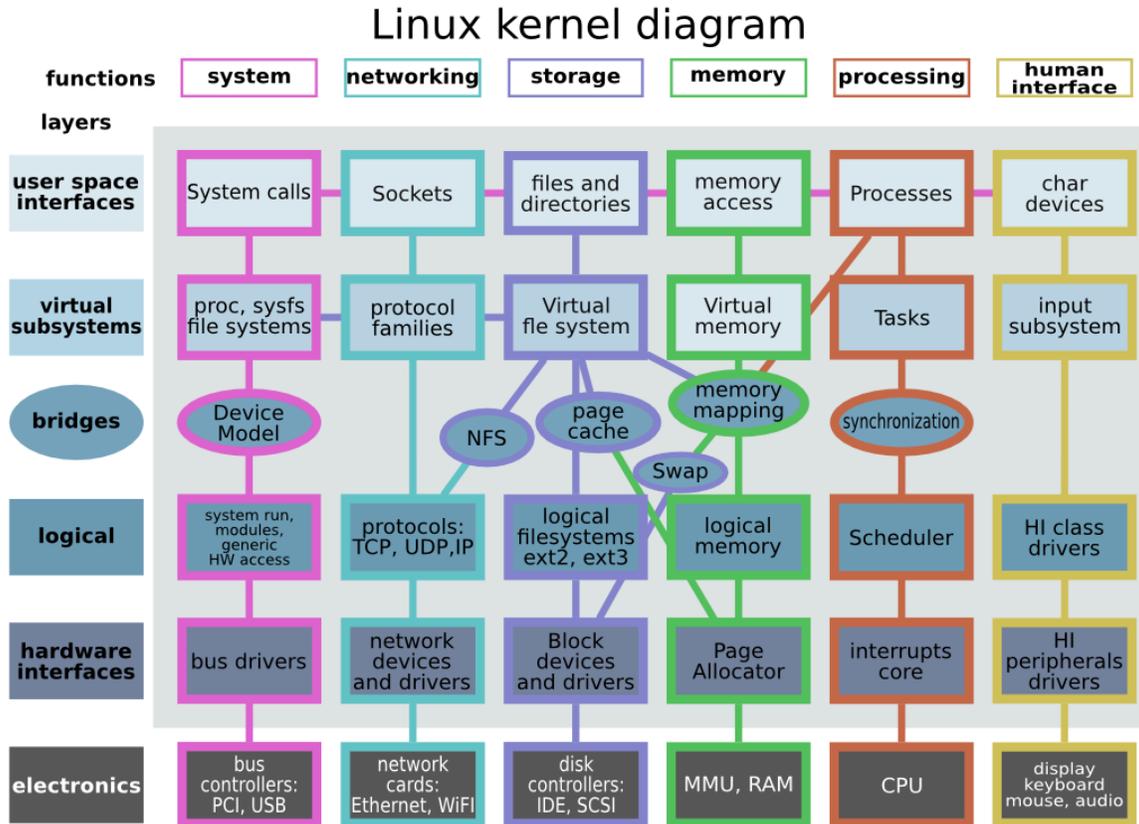
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Subsystems are developed in **each directory** of the source code.



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├── mm           => memory management subsystem
├── net          => network subsystem
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└── virt
```

**Network subsystem** are developed in **net directory** of the source code.



# Kernel Tree



## Kernel.org git repositories

Git repositories hosted at kernel.org (singapore)

<https://git.kernel.org/>

index

Name	Description	Owner	Idle	Links
<i>pub/scm/bluetooth</i>				
bluetooth-next.git	Unnamed repository; edit this file 'description' to name the repository.	Grokmirror user	19 months	summary log tree
bluez-hcidump.git	Bluetooth packet analyzer	Marcel Holtmann	5 years	summary log tree
bluez.git	Bluetooth protocol stack for Linux	Marcel Holtmann	20 hours	summary log tree
obexd.git	OBEX Server	Marcel Holtmann	5 years	summary log tree
sbcc.git	Bluetooth low-complexity, subband codec (SBC) library	Marcel Holtmann	4 months	summary log tree
<i>pub/scm/boot</i>				
dracut/dracut.git	dracut - Initramfs generator using udev	Harald Hoyer	8 months	summary log tree
efilinux/efilinux.git	The efilinux UEFI boot loader	Matt Fleming	8 years	summary log tree
syslinux/syslinux.git	Unnamed repository; edit this file 'description' to name the repository.	Syslinux workgroup	6 years	summary log tree
<i>pub/scm/devel</i>				
pahole/pahole.git	Pahole and other DWARF utils	Arnaldo Carvalho de Melo	21 hours	summary log tree
sparse/chris/sparse.git	Chris Li's sparse repository.	Christopher Li	5 years	summary log tree
sparse/sparse-dev.git	Sparse's development tree	Luc Van Oostenryck	4 months	summary log tree
sparse/sparse-logs.git	Raw logs of warnings of Sparse running on the kernel with summary logs.	Luc Van Oostenryck	4 months	summary log tree
sparse/sparse.git	C semantic parser	Luc Van Oostenryck	4 months	summary log tree
<i>pub/scm/docs</i>				
docsko/korg.git	Source of korg.docs.kernel.org	Doc Group	8 months	summary log tree
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kernel/ksmap.git	Kernel.org keysign map source	Kernel.org users	3 weeks	summary log tree
kernel/pgpkeys.git	Kernel developers PGP keys	Kernel.org Admin	3 days	summary log tree

**kernel code is managed by several major subsystem git repositories, which is called the **Kernel Tree****



# Kernel Tree

## Mainline Kernel tree

- Managed by [Linus Torvalds](#)
- Mainline kernel tree & RC release source code

Kernel  
Mainline



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# Kernel Tree

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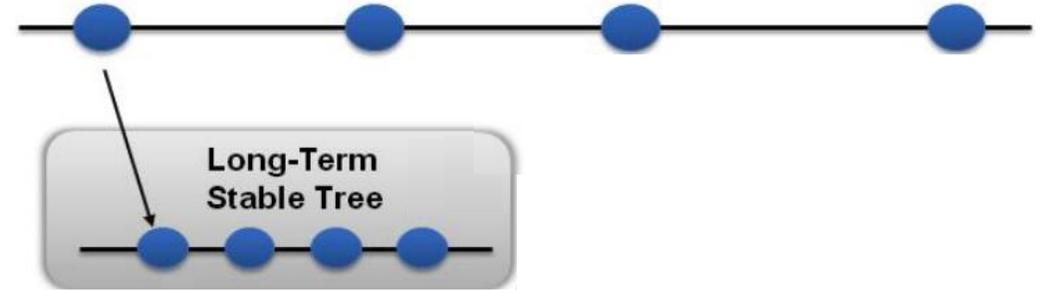
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Kernel  
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Kernel.org  
(Greg K-H)



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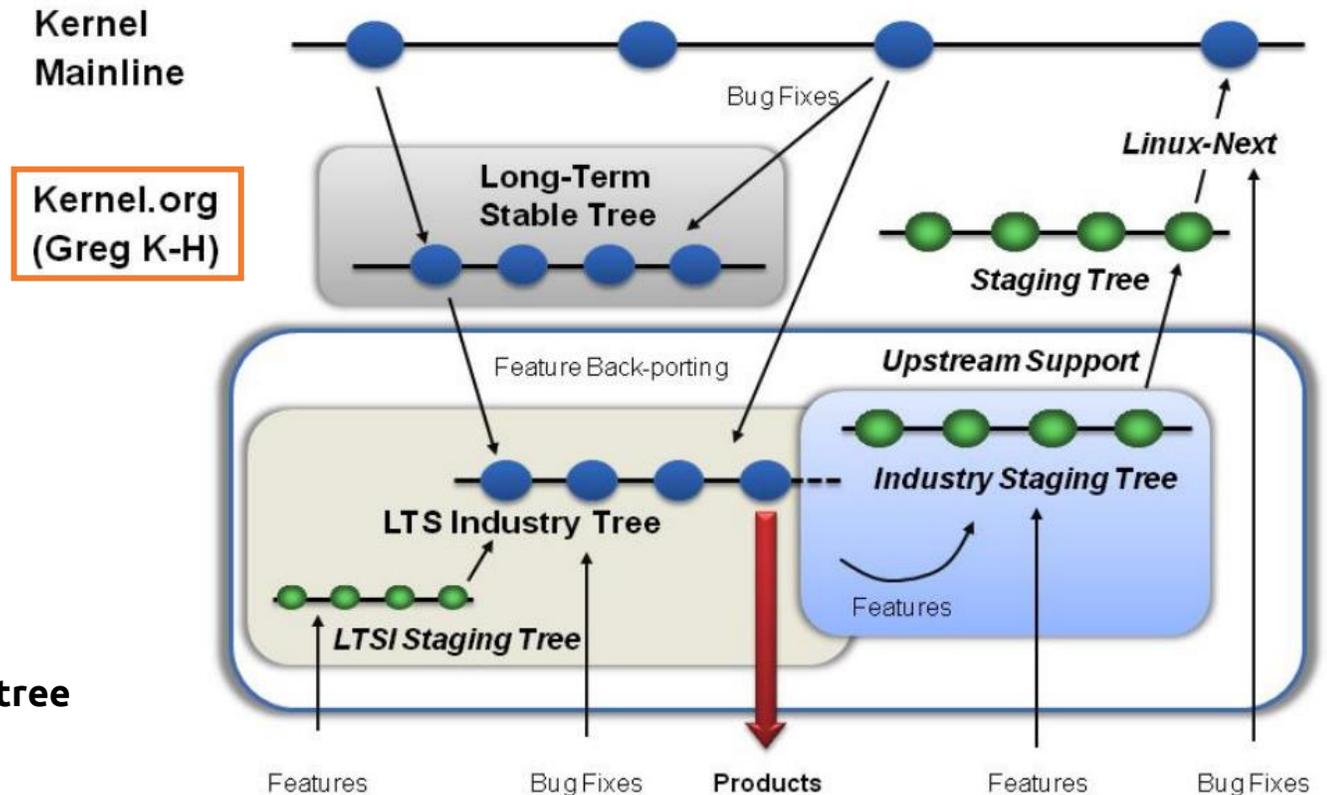
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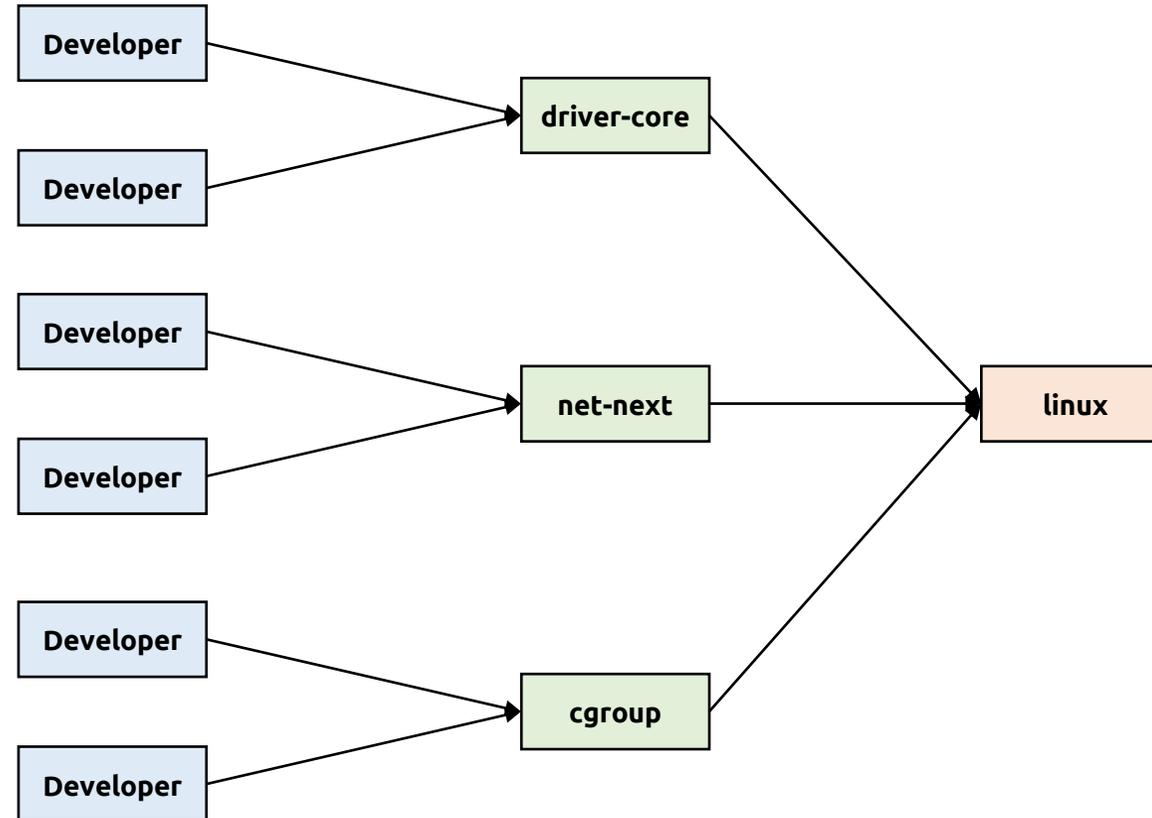
- Managed by [Stephen Rothwell](#)
- Subsystem changes are periodically reflected
- Integrated testing of the code is conducted
- After testing, pull request is performed with mainline kernel tree



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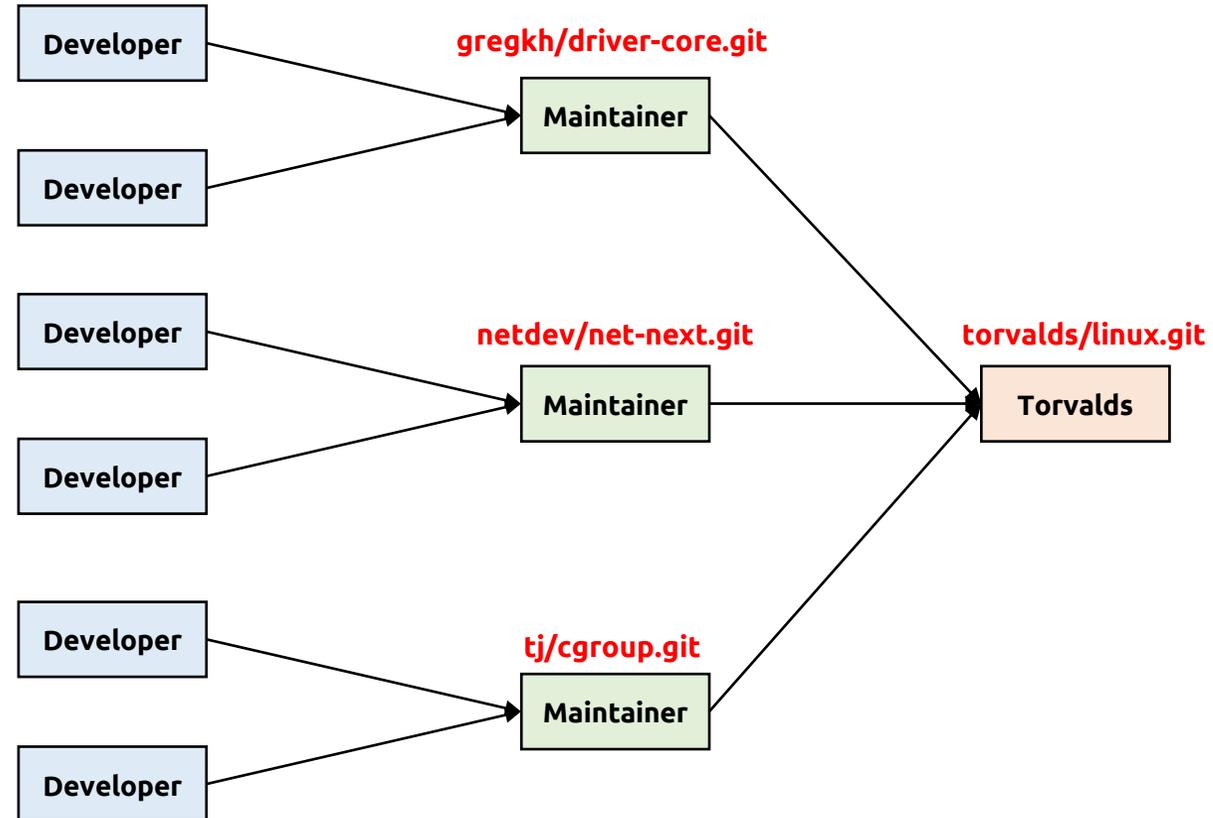
# Linux Kernel Tree Hierarchy



Major subsystems have **independent tree**



# Linux Kernel Tree Hierarchy

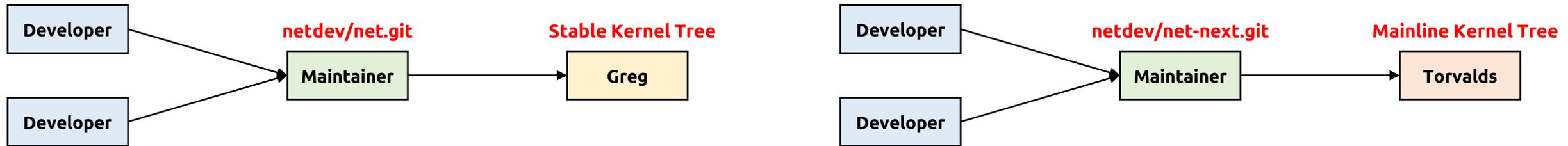


Each subsystem tree is managed by "**Maintainer**"



# Linux Kernel Tree Hierarchy

## Networking Subsystem



These maintainers **manage the tree** for each subsystem,  
and there are **two trees** in each subsystem



# Networking Subsystem Tree



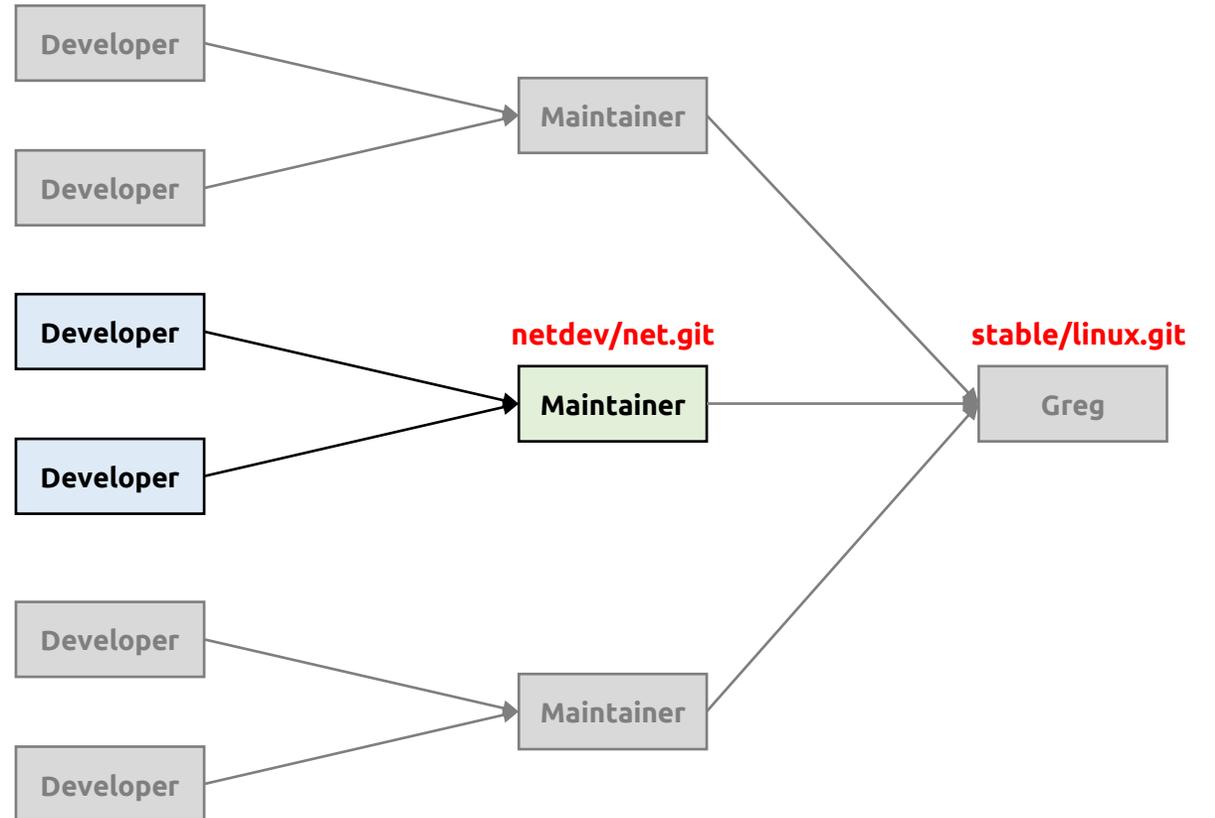
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Netdev Group

**netdev/net.git : netdev Stable Tree**

**Allow only release version of bug fix patch**





# Networking Subsystem Tree

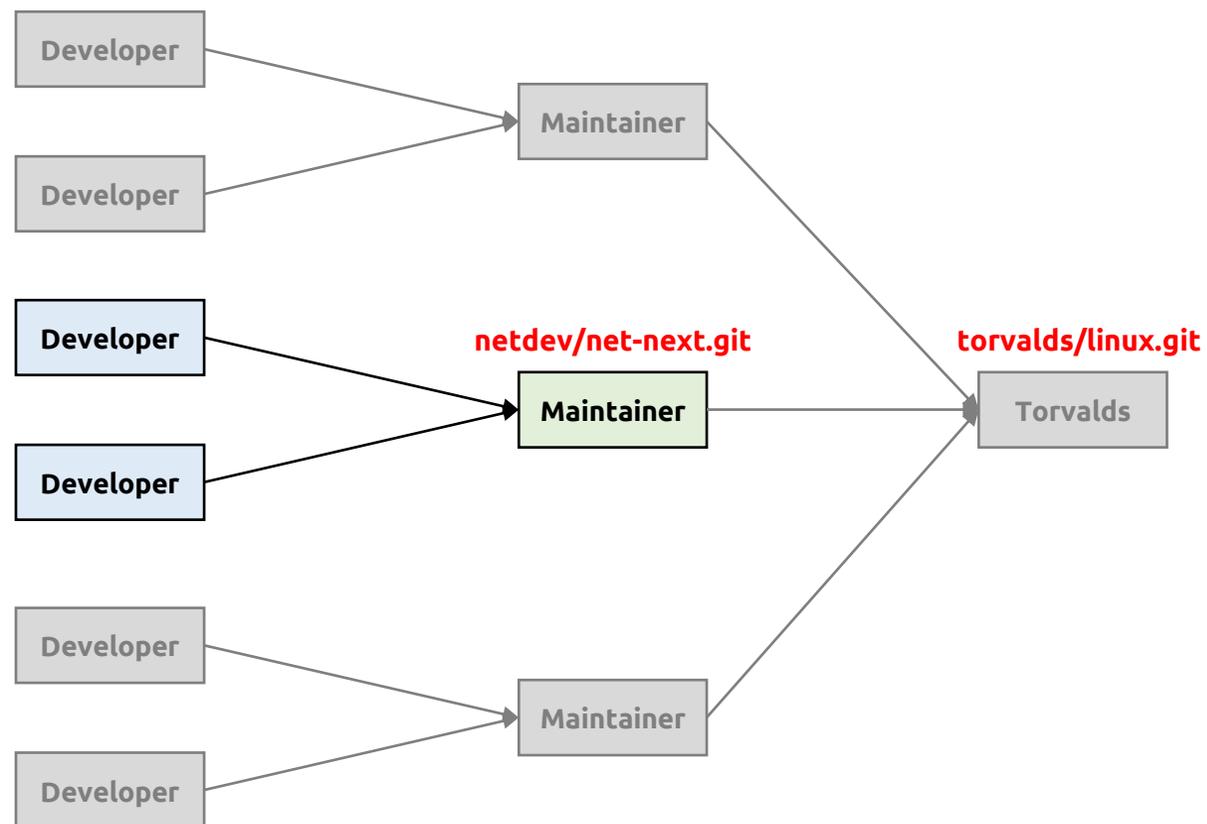


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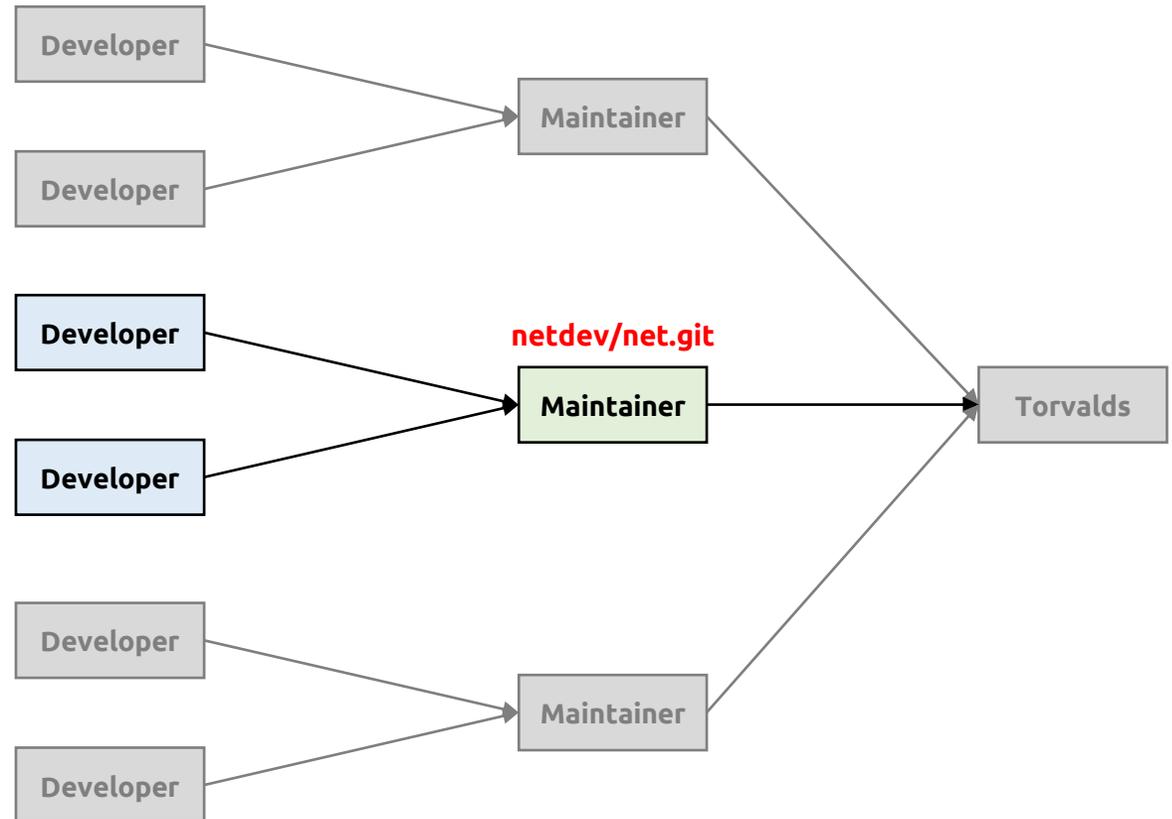
**netdev/net-next.git : netdev Mainline Tree**  
**Feature Enhancement, Bug-Fix tree**





# Subsystem Tree

```
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NETWORKING [GENERAL]  
M: "David S. Miller" <davem@davemloft.net>  
M: Eric Dumazet <edumazet@google.com>  
M: Jakub Kicinski <kuba@kernel.org>  
M: Paolo Abeni <pabeni@redhat.com>  
L: netdev@vger.kernel.org  
S: Maintained  
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B: mailto:netdev@vger.kernel.org  
T: git git://git.kernel.org/.../netdev/net.git  
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F: lib/net_utils.c  
F: lib/random32.c  
F: net/  
F: tools/testing/selftests/net/
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# Mailing List

Each subsystem has a **mailing list**, where contributors submit and **discuss patches**.

<http://vger.kernel.org/vger-lists.html>

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$ cat MAINTAINERS | grep -A 30 'NETWORKING \[GENERAL]'
NETWORKING [GENERAL]
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M: Jakub Kicinski <kuba@kernel.org>
M: Paolo Abeni <pabeni@redhat.com>
L: netdev@vger.kernel.org
S: Maintained
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## Majordomo lists at VGER.KERNEL.ORG

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# Patch

## Contributing **units** in the kernel



# Patch

## Contributing units in the kernel



Developers make a **patch of development**

```
$ git format-patch -1  
--subject-prefix="PATCH, net-next"
```



```
From 0199215216978b612d4e8be11e878b87bc643033 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001  
From: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>  
Date: Sun, 10 Oct 2021 13:03:29 +0900  
Subject: [PATCH, net-next] mlxsw: spectrum: use netif_is_macsec() instead of  
open code  
  
Open code which is dev->priv_flags & IFF_MACSEC has already defined as  
netif_is_macsec(). So use netif_is_macsec() instead of open code.  
This patch doesn't change logic.  
  
Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>  
---  
include/linux/netdevice.h | 2 +-  
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)  
  
diff --git a/include/linux/netdevice.h b/include/linux/netdevice.h  
index 15f4a658e436..0723c1314ea2 100644  
--- a/include/linux/netdevice.h  
+++ b/include/linux/netdevice.h  
@@ -5237,7 +5237,7 @@ static inline void netif_keep_dst(struct net_device *dev)  
static inline bool netif_reduces_vlan_mtu(struct net_device *dev)  
{  
    /* TODO: reserve and use an additional IFF bit, if we get more users */  
-    return dev->priv_flags & IFF_MACSEC;  
+    return netif_is_macsec(dev);  
}  
  
extern struct pernet_operations __net_initdata loopback_net_ops;  
--  
2.34.1
```



# Patch

## Contributing units in the kernel



Developers make a **patch of development** and **submit it to the mailing list** by email



```
$ git format-patch -1  
--subject-prefix="PATCH, net-next"
```

```
$ git send-patch --cc "Network Maintainer  
<example@email.com>" --to "Network  
Mailing List <list@email.com>" *.patch
```



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[net-next,3/3] pktgen: document the latest pktgen usage options	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,2/3] samples: pktgen: add trap SIGINT for printing execution result	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,1/3] samples: pktgen: fix to print when terminated normally	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,2/2] samples: pktgen: add missing IPv6 option to pktgen scripts	2021-08-12	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,1/2] samples: pktgen: pass the environment variable of normal user to su	2021-08-12	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[bpf-next,v2,2/2] samples: bpf: Add the omitted xdp samples to .gitignore	2021-07-27	Juhee Kang	bpf	Accepted
[bpf-next,v2,1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument	2021-07-27	Juhee Kang	bpf	Accepted
[bpf-next,2/2] samples: bpf: Add the omitted xdp samples to .gitignore	2021-07-24	Juhee Kang	bpf	Superseded
[bpf-next,1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument	2021-07-24	Juhee Kang	bpf	Superseded



# Kernel Development Process

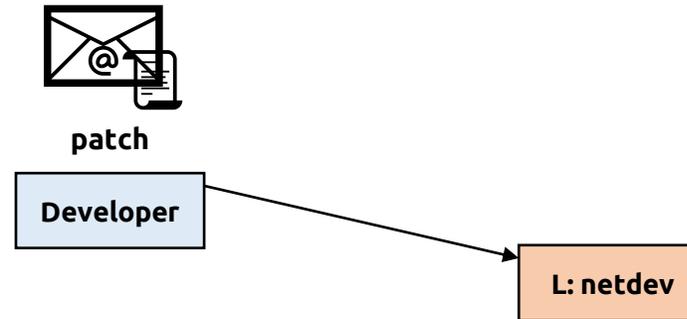
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```

[PATCH net-next] mlxsw: spectrum: use netif\_is\_macsec() instead of open code

Open code which is `dev->priv_flags & IFF_MACSEC` has already defined as `netif_is_macsec()`. So use `netif_is_macsec()` instead of open code. This patch doesn't change logic.

Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>

## Contributor create patches





# Kernel Development Process

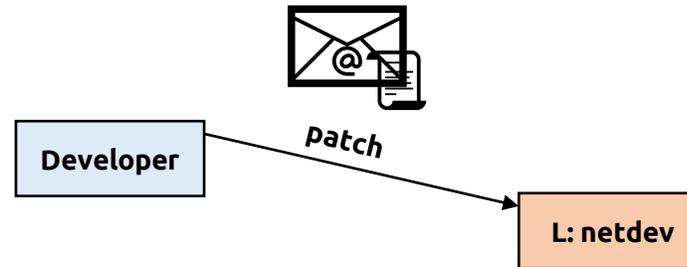
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<example@email.com>" --to "Network Mailing List  
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**Contributor sends patches to the mailing list.**





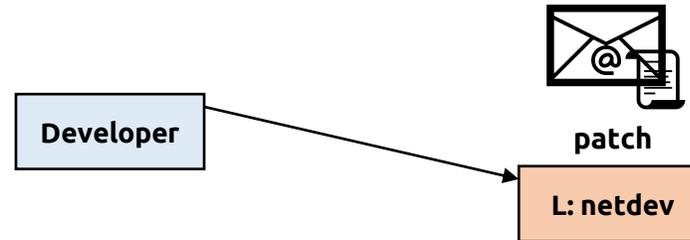
# Kernel Development Process

**From mailing list,  
review and discussion is conducted.**

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```





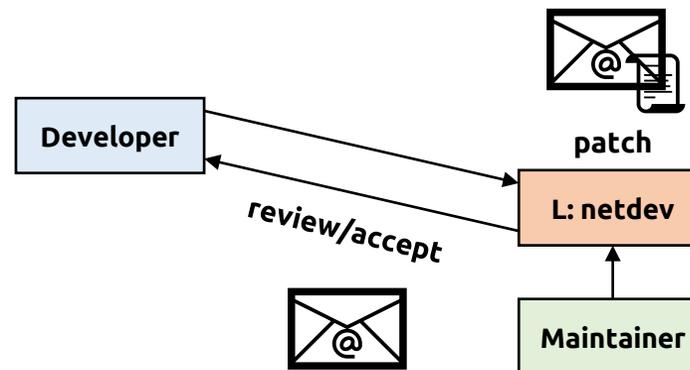
# Kernel Development Process

Once the patch has been **accepted**, an email will be sent informing that it was reflected in the subsystem

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```



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Re: [PATCH net-next] mlxsw: spectrum: use netif_is_macsec() instead of open ode

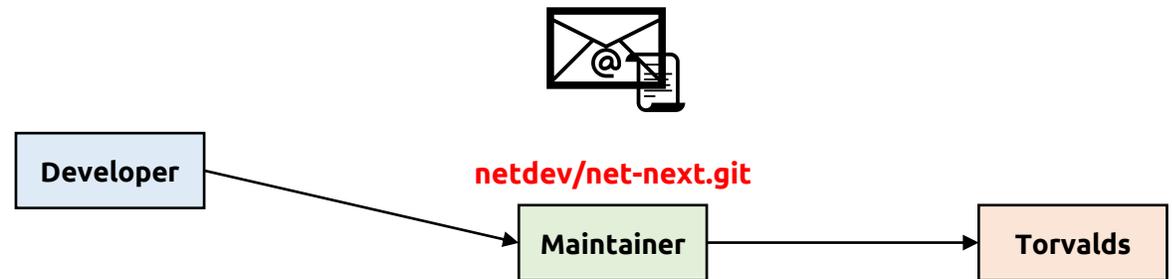
Hello:

This series was applied to netdev/net-next.git (master)
by David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net>:
```



# Kernel Development Process

Patch is reflected in net-next git tree





# Kernel Development Process



index : kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git

Linux kernel source tree

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```
author Linus Torvalds <torvalds@linux-foundation.org> 2022-03-17 12:55:26 -0700
committer Linus Torvalds <torvalds@linux-foundation.org> 2022-03-17 12:55:26 -0700
commit 551acdc3c3d2b6bc97f11e31dcf960bc36343bfc (patch)
tree 1a2bf01b80da58fc613735b1c3fb03e5fb55bc2c
parent c81801eb7f2476a25d8fb27449e01b0bef46908a (diff)
parent b04683ff8f0823b869c219c78ba0d974bdddea0b5 (diff)
download linux-551acdc3c3d2b6bc97f11e31dcf960bc36343bfc.tar.gz
```

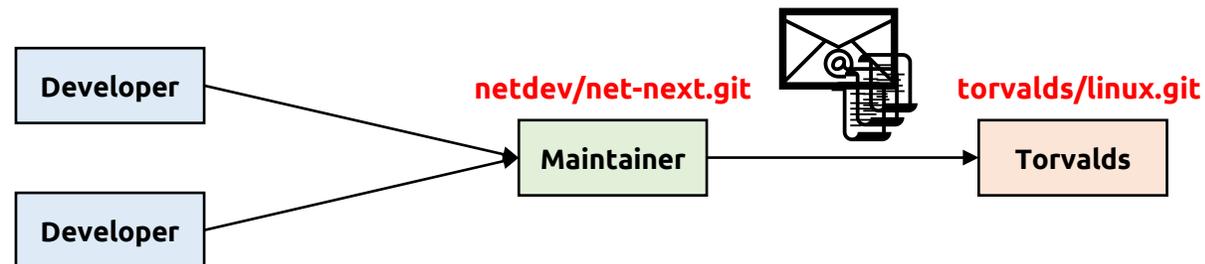
## Merge tag 'net-5.17-final' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/netdev/net

Pull networking fixes from Jakub Kicinski:  
"Including fixes from netfilter, ipsec, and wireless."

A few last minute revert / disable and fix patches came down from our sub-trees. We're not waiting for any fixes at this point.

Current release - regressions:

- Revert "netfilter: nat: force port remap to prevent shadowing well-known ports", restore working conntrack on asymmetric paths
- Revert "ath10k: drop beacon and probe response which leak from other channel", restore working AP and mesh mode on QCA9984
- eth: intel: fix hang during reboot/shutdown



**Maintainer will Send Pull Request to Parent Tree**



# Kernel Development Process



index : kernel/git/torvalds/linux.git

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```

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commit 551acdc3c3d2b6bc97f11e31dcf960bc36343bfc (patch)
tree 1a2bf01b80da58fc613735b1c3fb03e5fb55bc2c
parent c81801eb7f2476a25d8fb27449e01b0bef46908a (diff)
parent b04683ff8f0823b869c219c78ba0d974bdddea0b5 (diff)
download linux-551acdc3c3d2b6bc97f11e31dcf960bc36343bfc.tar.gz

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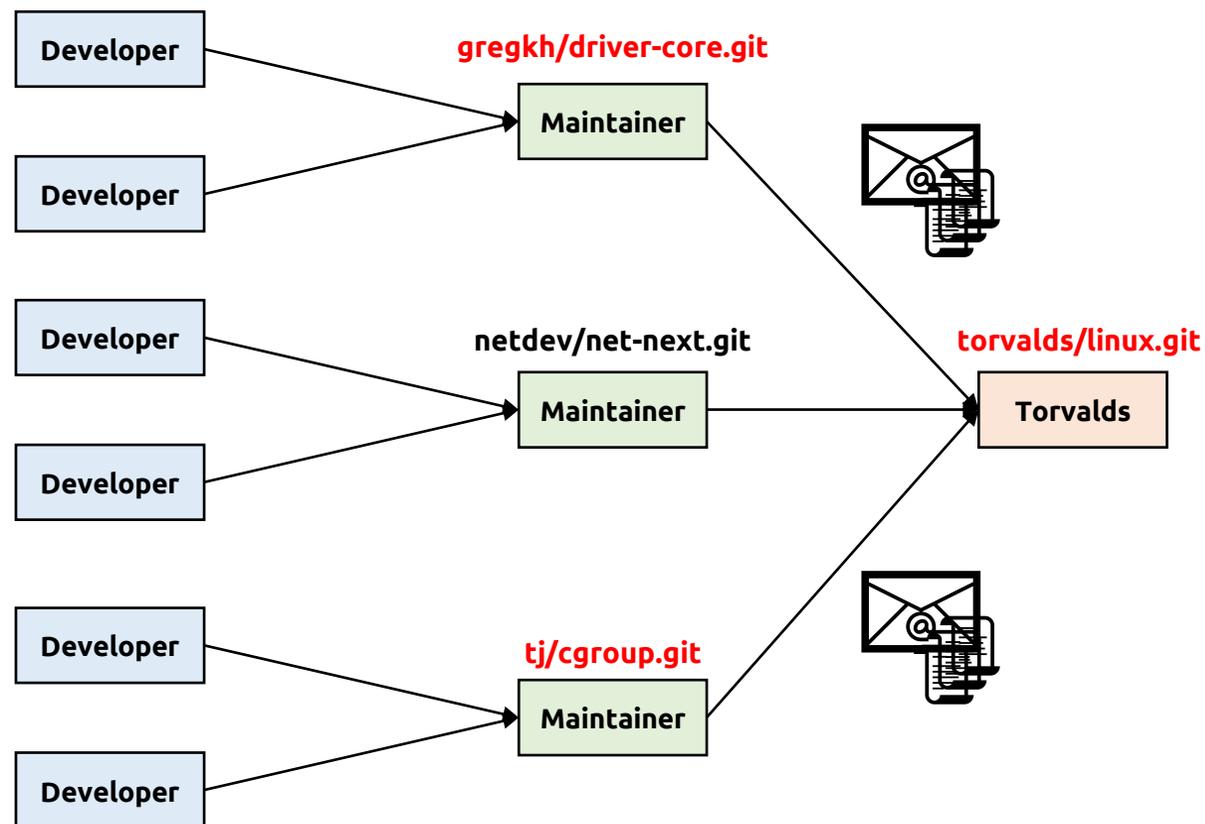
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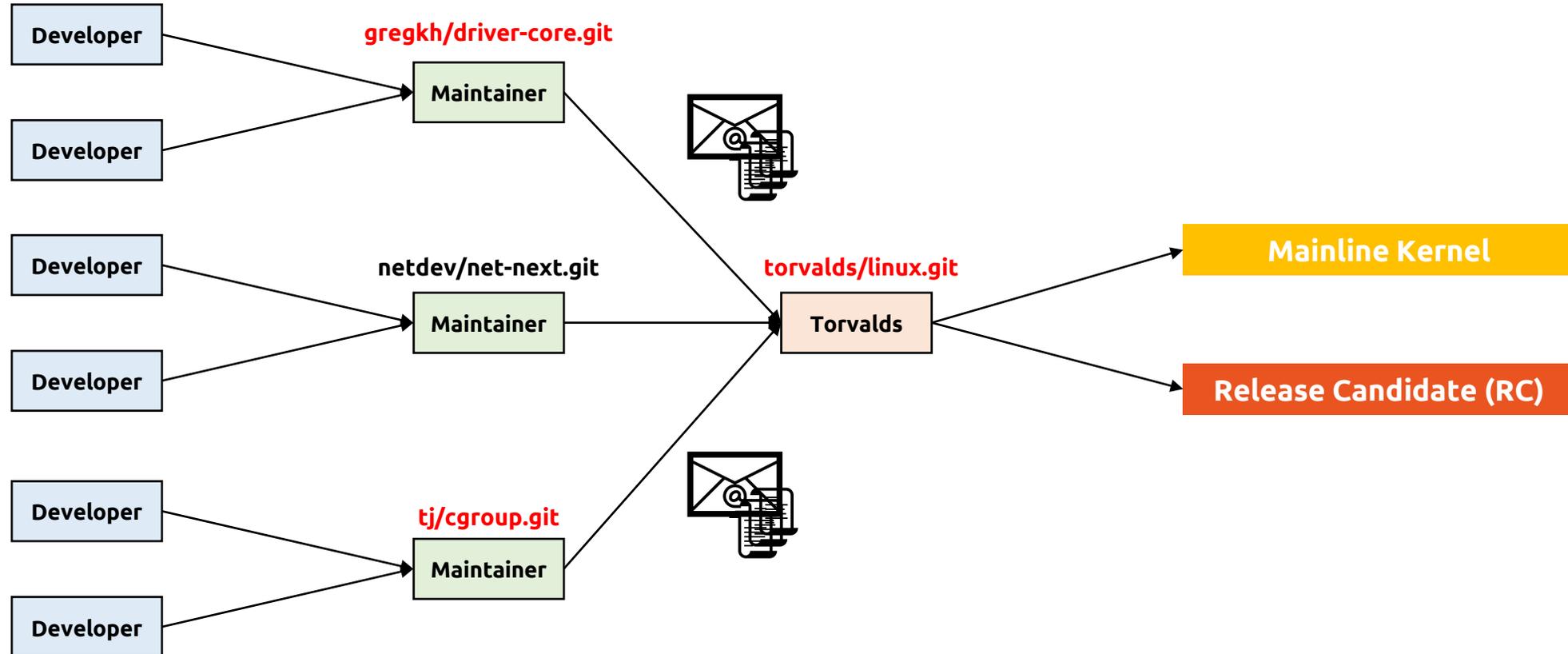
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**Pull Requests are sent from various subsystems to the parent tree**





# Kernel Development Process



Code combined to release as new version of kernel



# Linux Kernel Contribution

- ① **Documentation**
- ② **Bug-Fix**
- ③ **Feature Enhancement**
- ④ **etc..**



# 1. Documentation



index : kernel/git/next/linux-next.git

The linux-next integration testing tree

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```

author    Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> 2021-08-25 19:57:17 +0900
committer David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net> 2021-08-25 13:44:30 +0100
commit    246b184fff1dcead37102228e3b1744ce8c9828a3 (patch)
tree      be72f30a9f1135e1c8cb152418f031bc5f9a0f0e
parent    6c882bdc4bcd63e164f05738e7677b8a62fc0e1 (diff)
download  linux-next-246b184fff1dcead37102228e3b1744ce8c9828a3.tar.gz

```

## pktgen: document the latest pktgen usage options

Currently, the pktgen.rst documentation doesn't cover the latest pktgen sample usage options such as count and IPv6, and so on. Also, this documentation includes the old sample scripts which are no longer use because it was removed by the commit a4b6ade8359f ("samples/pktgen : remove remaining old pktgen sample scripts")

Thus, this commit documents pktgen sample usage using the latest options and removes old sample scripts, and fixes a minor typo.

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Signed-off-by: David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net>

### Diffstat

```
-rw-r--r-- Documentation/networking/pktgen.rst 18
```

1 files changed, 8 insertions, 10 deletions

```

diff --git a/Documentation/networking/pktgen.rst b/Documentation/networking/pktgen.rst
index 7afa1c9f11838..1225f0f63ff07 100644
--- a/Documentation/networking/pktgen.rst
+++ b/Documentation/networking/pktgen.rst
@@ -248,26 +248,24 @@ Usage:::

```

```

-i : ($DEV)      output interface/device (required)
-s : ($PKT_SIZE) packet size
- -d : ($DEST_IP) destination IP
+ -d : ($DEST_IP) destination IP. CIDR (e.g. 198.18.0.0/15) is also allowed
-m : ($DST_MAC) destination MAC-addr
+ -p : ($DST_PORT) destination PORT range (e.g. 433-444) is also allowed
-t : ($THREADS) threads to start
+ -f : ($F_THREAD) index of first thread (zero indexed CPU number)
-c : ($SKB_CLONE) SKB clones send before alloc new SKB
+ -n : ($COUNT) num messages to send per thread, 0 means indefinitely
- -b : ($BURST)   HW level bursting of SKBs
-v : ($VERBOSE)  verbose
-x : ($DEBUG)    debug
+ -6 : ($IPv6)    IPv6
+ -w : ($DELAY)   Tx Delay value (ns)
+ -a : ($APPEND)  Script will not reset generator's state, but will append its config

```

## Improve the documentation

- add undocumented or elaborate details



## 2. Bug Fix



index : kernel/git/next/linux-next.git

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```

author    Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> 2021-10-04 21:14:38 +0900
committer Pablo Neira Ayuso <pablo@netfilter.org> 2021-10-07 19:35:57 +0200
commit    902c0b1887522a099aa4e1e6b4b476c2fe5dd13e (patch)
tree      37a3ee3d04c0a7d451b3d6c30f1794bb6d266276
parent    8d6c414cd2fb74aa6812e9bfec6178f8246c4f3a (diff)
download  linux-next-902c0b1887522a099aa4e1e6b4b476c2fe5dd13e.tar.gz

```

### netfilter: xt\_IDLETIMER: fix panic that occurs when timer\_type has garbage value

Currently, when the rule related to IDLETIMER is added, idletimer\_tg timer structure is initialized by kmalloc on executing idletimer\_tg\_create function. However, in this process timer->timer\_type is not defined to a specific value. Thus, timer->timer\_type has garbage value and it occurs kernel panic. So, this commit fixes the panic by initializing timer->timer\_type using kzalloc instead of kmalloc.

```

Test commands:
# iptables -A OUTPUT -j IDLETIMER --timeout 1 --label test
$ cat /sys/class/xt_idletimer/timers/test
Killed

```

```

Splat looks like:
BUG: KASAN: user-memory-access in alarm_expires_remaining+0x49/0x70
Read of size 8 at addr 0000002e8c7bc4c8 by task cat/917
CPU: 12 PID: 917 Comm: cat Not tainted 5.14.0+ #3 79940a339f71eb14fc81aee1757a20d5bf13eb0e
Hardware name: QEMU Standard PC (Q35 + ICH9, 2009), BIOS 1.13.0-lubuntu1.1 04/01/2014
Call Trace:
 dump_stack_lvl+0x6e/0x9c
 kasan_report.cold+0x112/0x117
 ? alarm_expires_remaining+0x49/0x70
 __asan_load8+0x86/0xb0
 alarm_expires_remaining+0x49/0x70
 idletimer_tg_show+0xe5/0x19b [xt_IDLETIMER 11219304af9316a21bee5ba9d58f76a6b9bcc6d]
 dev_attr_show+0x3c/0x60
 sysfs_kf_seq_show+0x11d/0x1f0
 ? device_remove_bin_file+0x20/0x20

```

## Fixing Bugs

- fix code to work as expected



# 3. Feature Enhancement



index : kernel/git/next/linux-next.git

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author Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> 2021-08-13 00:08:13 +0900  
 committer David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net> 2021-08-16 11:02:09 +0100  
 commit 0f0c4f1b72e090b23131700bb155944cc28b2a7b (patch)  
 tree 1dc881a9d04a4256e1f91415a6e7f9ec0796b729  
 parent 7caeabd726f22e6a6c44c434574fb489986e5baa (diff)  
 download linux-next-0f0c4f1b72e090b23131700bb155944cc28b2a7b.tar.gz

### samples: pktgen: add missing IPv6 option to pktgen scripts

Currently, "sample04" and "sample05" are not working properly when running with an IPv6 option ("-6"). The commit 0f06a6787e05 ("samples: Add an IPv6 "-6" option to the pktgen scripts") has omitted the addition of this option at "sample04" and "sample05".

In order to support IPv6 option, this commit adds logic related to IPv6 option.

Fixes: 0f06a6787e05 ("samples: Add an IPv6 "-6" option to the pktgen scripts")

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Signed-off-by: David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net>

#### Diffstat

```
-rwxr-xr-x samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample04_many_flows.sh 12
-rwxr-xr-x samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample05_flow_per_thread.sh 12
```

2 files changed, 14 insertions, 10 deletions

```
diff --git a/samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample04_many_flows.sh b/samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample04_many_flows.sh
index 56c5f5af350f6..cf151f861506d 100755
--- a/samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample04_many_flows.sh
+++ b/samples/pktgen/pktgen_sample04_many_flows.sh
@@ -13,13 +13,15 @@ root_check_run_with_sudo "$@"
 # Parameter parsing via include
 source ${basedir}/parameters.sh
 # Set some default params, if they didn't get set
-[ -z "$DEST_IP" ]    && DEST_IP="198.18.0.42"
+if [ -z "$DEST_IP" ]; then
+  [ -z "$IP6" ] && DEST_IP="198.18.0.42" || DEST_IP="f000::1"
+fi
[ -z "$DST_MAC" ]    && DST_MAC="90:e2:ba:ff:ff:ff"
[ -z "$CLONE_SKB" ]  && CLONE_SKB="0"
[ -z "$COUNT" ]    && COUNT="0" # Zero means indefinitely
if [ -n "$DEST_IP" ]; then
```

## Adding a new feature

## - for improved usability



# 3. Feature Enhancement



index : kernel/git/next/linux-next.git

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```

author    Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> 2022-02-05 15:40:38 +0000
committer David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net> 2022-02-06 10:55:52 +0000
commit    4acc45db711586dadb98e681ccb93f29372907a2 (patch)
tree      f69f105c0d7561d7caacec85ef42c2d9463843bf
parent    5a8fb33e530512ee67a11b90f3451a4f030f4b01 (diff)
download  linux-next-4acc45db711586dadb98e681ccb93f29372907a2.tar.gz

```

### net: hsr: use hlist\_head instead of list\_head for mac addresses

Currently, HSR manages mac addresses of known HSR nodes by using list\_head. It takes a lot of time when there are a lot of registered nodes due to finding specific mac address nodes by using linear search. We can be reducing the time by using hlist. Thus, this patch moves list\_head to hlist\_head for mac addresses and this allows for further improvement of network performance.

```

Condition: registered 10,000 known HSR nodes
Before:
# iperf3 -c 192.168.10.1 -i 1 -t 10
Connecting to host 192.168.10.1, port 5201
[ 5] local 192.168.10.2 port 59442 connected to 192.168.10.1 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer    Bitrate    Retr  Cwnd
[ 5] 0.00-1.49 sec  3.75 MBytes 21.1 Mbits/sec  0  158 KBytes
[ 5] 1.49-2.05 sec  1.25 MBytes 18.7 Mbits/sec  0  166 KBytes
[ 5] 2.05-3.06 sec  2.44 MBytes 20.3 Mbits/sec  56  16.9 KBytes
[ 5] 3.06-4.08 sec  1.43 MBytes 11.7 Mbits/sec  11  38.0 KBytes
[ 5] 4.08-5.00 sec   951 KBytes  8.49 Mbits/sec  0  56.3 KBytes

After:
# iperf3 -c 192.168.10.1 -i 1 -t 10
Connecting to host 192.168.10.1, port 5201
[ 5] local 192.168.10.2 port 36460 connected to 192.168.10.1 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer    Bitrate    Retr  Cwnd
[ 5] 0.00-1.00 sec  7.39 MBytes 62.0 Mbits/sec  3  130 KBytes
[ 5] 1.00-2.00 sec  5.06 MBytes 42.4 Mbits/sec  16  113 KBytes
[ 5] 2.00-3.00 sec  8.58 MBytes 72.0 Mbits/sec  42  94.3 KBytes
[ 5] 3.00-4.00 sec  7.44 MBytes 62.4 Mbits/sec  2  131 KBytes
[ 5] 4.00-5.07 sec  8.13 MBytes 63.5 Mbits/sec  38  92.9 KBytes

```

```

Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>
Signed-off-by: David S. Miller <davem@davemloft.net>

```

### Diffstat

```

-rw-r--r-- net/hsr/hsr_debugfs.c 40

```

## Enhance feature

## - performance improvement



**Now let's do Contributions to Linux Kernel**



# 3

## Step by Step Kernel Contribution



## Kernel Patch in Action

**In this scenario, suppose we fix a bug.**



## Discover a Bug

```
$ cd samples/bpf
$ make -j
$ ./tracex7
sh: 1: Syntax error: word unexpected (expecting ")")
```

An **error** occurred  
while running the kernel test script.



# Configure Environment: kernel development



Fedora  
Debian  
OpenSUSE  
Ubuntu

**Prepare Linux in VM**



# Configure Environment: kernel development

```
# apt-get install build-essential vim git cscope  
libncurses-dev libssl-dev bison flex bison
```

**Install development packages on Linux VM**



# Configure Environment: kernel development

```
# apt-get install build-essential vim git cscope  
libncurses-dev libssl-dev bison flex bison  
# systemctl enable serial-getty@ttyS0.service  
# systemctl start serial-getty@ttyS0.service  
# systemctl daemon-reload  
# vim /etc/default/grub          GRUB_DEFAULT=3  
                                GRUB_TIMEOUT_STYLE=menu  
                                GRUB_TIMEOUT=3  
# update-grub2
```

## Configure Linux for a debugging



# Configure Environment: get kernel source

```
$ git clone https://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/netdev/net-next.git
$ cd net-next
$ git checkout -f main
```



index : kernel/git/netdev/net-next.git

Netdev Group's -next networking tree

master

Netdev Group

[about](#) [summary](#) [refs](#) [log](#) [tree](#) [commit](#) [diff](#) [stats](#)

Branch	Commit message	Author	Age
main	Merge tag 'net-next-6.1' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/net...	Linus Torvalds	3 days
master	Merge tag 'net-next-6.1' of git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/net...	Linus Torvalds	3 days

Tag	Download	Author	Age
v6.0	net-next-6.0.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	5 days
v6.0-rc7	net-next-6.0-rc7.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	12 days
v6.0-rc6	net-next-6.0-rc6.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	3 weeks
v6.0-rc5	net-next-6.0-rc5.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	4 weeks
v6.0-rc4	net-next-6.0-rc4.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	5 weeks
v6.0-rc3	net-next-6.0-rc3.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	6 weeks
v6.0-rc2	net-next-6.0-rc2.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	7 weeks
v6.0-rc1	net-next-6.0-rc1.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	8 weeks
v5.19	net-next-5.19.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	2 months
v5.19-rc8	net-next-5.19-rc8.tar.gz	Linus Torvalds	2 months
[...]			



## Reproduce Bug: find the cause

```
$ cd samples/bpf
$ make -j
$ ./tracex7
sh: 1: Syntax error: word unexpected (expecting ")")
```

An **error** occurred  
while running the kernel test script.

**Maybe Kernel test script has a Bug.**



## Reproduce Bug: find the cause

```
$ cd samples/bpf
$ make -j
$ ./tracex7
sh: 1: Syntax error: word unexpected (expecting ")")
# vim tracex7_user.c
```

An **error** occurred while running the kernel test script.

```
1 tracex7_user.c +
int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    // ... SNIP ...
    char filename[256];
    char command[256];
    int ret = 0;
    FILE *f;

    snprintf(filename, sizeof(filename), "%s_kern.o", argv[0]);
    ++-- 24 lines: obj = bpf_object__open_file(filename, NULL);-----
    snprintf(command, 256, "mount %s tmpmnt/", argv[1]);
    f = popen(command, "r");
    ret = pclose(f);

cleanup:
    bpf_link__destroy(link);
    bpf_object__close(obj);
    return ret ? 0 : 1;
}
NORMAL tracex7_user.c + 18% 8:0
```

Problem caused by **failure to check argument at runtime**



## Fix source code: resolve problem

```
$ git diff
```

```
diff --git a/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh b/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh
index e68b9ee6814b8b..35db26f736b9d9 100755
--- a samples/bpf/test\_override\_return.sh
+++ b samples/bpf/test\_override\_return.sh
@@ -1,5 +1,6 @@
#!/bin/bash
+rm -r tmpmnt
rm -f testfile.img
dd if=/dev/zero of=testfile.img bs=1M seek=1000 count=1
DEVICE=$(losetup --show -f testfile.img)
diff --git a/samples/bpf/tracex7_user.c b/samples/bpf/tracex7_user.c
index fdcd6580dd736a..8be7ce18d3ba05 100644
    samples/bpf/tracex7\_user.c
    samples/bpf/tracex7\_user.c
@@ -14,6 +14,11 @@ int main(int argc, char **argv)
int ret = 0;
FILE *f;
+ if (!argv[1]) {
+ fprintf(stderr, "ERROR: Run with the btrfs device argument!\n");
+ return 0;
+ }
+
snprintf(filename, sizeof(filename), "%s_kern.o", argv[0]);
```



## Write a commit message

After modifying the source code, **create a commit** with detailed message

```
$ git commit -s
```



## Write a commit message

Having a trouble with writing commit message? Check previous commit log.

< change file name >

```
$ git log -- samples/bpf/tracex7_user.c
```

```
commit 2bf3e2ef425bc2a164f10b554b7db6a8b4090ef4
```

```
samples: bpf: include bpf/bpf.h instead of local libbpf.h
```

There are two files in the tree called libbpf.h which is becoming problematic. Most samples don't actually need the local libbpf.h they simply include it to get to bpf/bpf.h. Include bpf/bpf.h directly instead.

...

```
commit 965de87e54b803223bff703ea6b2a76c056695ae
```

```
Author: Josef Bacik <jbacik@fb.com>
```

```
Date: Mon Dec 11 11:36:49 2017 -0500
```

```
samples/bpf: add a test for bpf_override_return
```



## Write a commit message

```
samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument
```

The current behavior of 'tracex7' doesn't consist with other bpf samples tracex{1..6}. Other samples do not require any argument to run with, but tracex7 should be run with btrfs device argument. (it should be executed with test\_override\_return.sh)

Currently, tracex7 doesn't have any description about how to run this program and raises an unexpected error. And this result might be confusing since users might not have a hunch about how to run this program.

. . .

In order to fix this error, this commit adds logic to report a message and exit when running this program with a missing argument.

Additionally in test\_override\_return.sh, there is a problem with multiple directory(tmpmnt) creation. So in this commit adds a line with removing the directory with every execution.

```
Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>
```

**Write commit message in detail.**

```
samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument
```

The current behavior of 'tracex7' doesn't consist with other bpf samples tracex{1..6}. Other samples do not require any argument to run with, but tracex7 should be run with btrfs device argument. (it should be executed with test\_override\_return.sh)

Currently, tracex7 doesn't have any description about how to run this program and raises an unexpected error. And this result might be confusing since users might not have a hunch about how to run this program.

```
// Current behavior
# ./tracex7
sh: 1: Syntax error: word unexpected (expecting ")")
// Fixed behavior
# ./tracex7 ERROR: Run with the btrfs device argument!
```

In order to fix this error, this commit adds logic to report a message and exit when running this program with a missing argument.

Additionally in test\_override\_return.sh, there is a problem with multiple directory(tmpmnt) creation. So in this commit adds a line with removing the directory with every execution.

```
Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>
```

**Commit Header**  
- less than 50 characters

**Commit description**

- elaborate detail  
- 72 characters per line

**If necessary,  
describe how to reproduce  
(for detailed explanation)**

**Commit Tag**

- Add Signed-off-by Tag



# Other Commit Tags

```
mlxsw: spectrum: use netif_is_macsec() instead of open code
=== Commit Body ===
Signed-off-by: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>
```

```
samples: bpf: Fix trace7 error raised on the missing argument
=== Commit Body ===
Acked-by: Yonghong Song <yhs@fb.com>
```

```
amt: Use BIT macros instead of open codes
=== Commit Body ===
Reviewed-by: Taehee Yoo <ap420073@gmail.com>
Tested-by: Taehee Yoo <ap420073@gmail.com>
```

```
net: hsr: fix hsr build error when lockdep is not enabled
=== Commit Body ===
Reported-by: Eric Dumazet <eric.dumazet@gmail.com>
```

```
bpf_glue: include errno.h
=== Commit Body ===
Fixes: ac4e0913beb1 ("bpf: Export bpf syscall wrapper")
```

## Commit Tag Detail

### 1) Signed-off-by

understood the licensing policy, agree to submit commit

### 2) Acked-by

maintainer reviewed the patch and decided to approve the patch

### 3) Reviewed-by

Reviewer or another developer reviewed the code for the patch

### 4) Tested-by

Reviewer or other developer tested for changes to the patch

### 5) Reported-by / Suggested-by

Tags left to indicate who found the bug or suggested the feature

### 6) Fixes

Tags that track bugs(commit) that this patch fixes



## Configure Environment: prepare to send patch

```
# apt-get install git-email  
  
$ git config --global sendemail.smtpencryption tls  
$ git config --global sendemail.smtpserver <mailserver>  
$ git config --global sendemail.smtpuser <email>  
$ git config --global sendemail.smtpserverport 587  
$ git config --global sendemail.smtppass <password>
```

send patches with **git-email**

Configure **smtp account** with git config  
ex) gmail smtp



## Create patch and check format

```
$ git format-patch -1 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"
```



## Create patch and check format

```
    <commit count>    <Add kernel tree to mail prefix>  
$ git format-patch -1 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"
```



## Create patch and check format

**<commit count>**    **<Add kernel tree to mail prefix>**

```
$ git format-patch -1 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"  
001-samples-bpf-Fix-tracex7-error-raised-on-the-missing-.patch
```



## Create patch and check format

```
$ git format-patch -1 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"  
0001-samples-bpf-Fix-tracex7-error-raised-on-the-missing-.patch  
  
$ apt-get install codespell python-ply python-git  
$ ./scripts/checkpatch.pl --strict --codespell 0001-*.patch  
                <created patch file here>
```



## Create patch and check format

```
$ git format-patch -1 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"  
0001-samples-bpf-Fix-tracex7-error-raised-on-the-missing-.patch  
  
$ apt-get install codespell python-ply python-git  
$ ./scripts/checkpatch.pl --strict --codespell 0001-*.patch  
total: 0 errors, 0 warnings, 0 checks, 17 lines checked  
  
0001-*.patch has no obvious style problems and is ready for submission.  
    < Good to go! >
```



## Find patch mail recipients and send

<created patch file here>

```
$ ./scripts/get_maintainer.pl --no-multiline --no-rolestats 0001-*.patch
```

**Find maintainers  
& mailing lists**



## Find patch mail recipients and send

```
$ ./scripts/get_maintainer.pl --no-multiline --no-rolestats 0001-*.patch  
Alexei Starovoitov <ast@kernel.org>, Daniel Borkmann <daniel@iogearbox.net>,  
Andrii Nakryiko <andrii@kernel.org>, netdev@vger.kernel.org, bpf@vger.kernel.org
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Andrii Nakryiko <andrii@kernel.org>, netdev@vger.kernel.org, bpf@vger.kernel.org
```

```
$ git send-email --to="maintainer mail" --to="mailing list mail" 0001-*.patch  
Send this email? ([y]es|[n]o|[q]uit|[a]ll): Y
```

[...]

Result: OK

**Send mail**



# Make sure mail has been sent

<input type="checkbox"/>	★	▶	me	Inbox	[PATCH net-next 2/2] samples: pktgen: add missing IPv6 option to pktgen scripts - Currently, "sample04" and "sample05" are not working properly when running with an IPv...	8/13/21
<input type="checkbox"/>	★	▶	me	Inbox	[PATCH net-next 1/2] samples: pktgen: pass the environment variable of normal user to sudo - All pktgen samples can use the environment variable instead of option param...	8/13/21
<input type="checkbox"/>	★	▶	me	Inbox	[PATCH net-next 0/2] samples: pktgen: enhance the usability of pktgen samples - This patchset improves the usability of pktgen samples by adding an option for propagati...	8/13/21
<input type="checkbox"/>	☆	▶	Majordomo 2	Inbox	Confirmation for subscribe netdev - -- Someone (possibly you) has requested that your email address be added to or deleted from the mailing list "netdev@vger.kernel.org"....	8/5/21
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You can check the patch through **Gmail**



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Patch	Series	A/R/T	S/W/F	▲ Date	Submitter	Delegate	State
[net-next,3/3] pktgen: document the latest pktgen usage options	samples: pktgen: enhance the ability to print the execution results of samples	---	14 1 -	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,2/3] samples: pktgen: add trap SIGINT for printing execution result	samples: pktgen: enhance the ability to print the execution results of samples	---	14 1 -	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
[net-next,1/3] samples: pktgen: fix to print when terminated normally	samples: pktgen: enhance the ability to print the execution results of samples	---	14 1 -	2021-08-25	Juhee Kang	netdev	Accepted
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<https://patchwork.kernel.org/project/netdevbpf/list>

You can check the patch through Patchwork as well  
(Patchwork : Discussions and development of subsystem View patches.)



## Check for review

```
From: Andrii Nakryiko <andrii.nakryiko@gmail.com>  
To: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>  
Cc: Daniel Borkmann <daniel@iogearbox.net>, Alexei Starovoitov <ast@kernel.org>,  
    Andrii Nakryiko <andrii@kernel.org>, Networking <netdev@vger.kernel.org>, bpf <bpf@vger.kernel.org>  
Subject: Re: [bpf-next 1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument
```

```
On Sat, Jul 24, 2021 at 8:21 AM Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> wrote:
```

```
[...]  
> diff --git a/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh b/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh  
> index e68b9ee6814b..6480b55502c7 100755  
> --- a/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh  
> +++ b/samples/bpf/test_override_return.sh  
> @@ -1,5 +1,6 @@  
> #!/bin/bash  
>  
> +rm -rf tmpmnt
```

```
Do we need -rf or -r would do?
```

```
[...]  
> --  
> 2.27.0
```



## Reply to review

```
From: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>
To: Andrii Nakryiko <andrii.nakryiko@gmail.com>
Cc: Daniel Borkmann <daniel@iogearbox.net>, Alexei Starovoitov <ast@kernel.org>,
    Andrii Nakryiko <andrii@kernel.org>, Networking <netdev@vger.kernel.org>, bpf <bpf@vger.kernel.org>
Subject: Re: [bpf-next 1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument
```

```
On Tue, Jul 27, 2021 at 5:08 AM Andrii Nakryiko <andrii.nakryiko@gmail.com> wrote:
```

```
> On Sat, Jul 24, 2021 at 8:21 AM Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com> wrote:
```

```
[...]
```

```
> > +rm -rf tmpmnt
```

```
> Do we need -rf or -r would do?
```

```
It works properly using only -r.
```

```
Thanks for pointing it out! I will stick to this method.
```

```
I will send the next version as soon as possible.
```

```
[...]
```

```
> > 2.27.0
```



## Modify Code and create second Patch

**< Specify version of the patch >**

```
$ git format-patch -1 -v2 --subject-prefix="PATCH, bpf-next"  
v2-0001-samples-bpf-Fix-tracex7-error-raised-on-the-missing-.patch
```

```
$ ./scripts/checkpatch.pl --strict --codespell v2-0001-*.patch  
total: 0 errors, 0 warnings, 0 checks, 17 lines checked
```

v2-0001-\*.patch has **no obvious style problems** and is ready for submission.



## Find patch mail recipients and send

```
$ ./scripts/get_maintainer.pl --no-multiline --no-rolestats v2-0001-*.patch  
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Andrii Nakryiko <andrii@kernel.org>, netdev@vger.kernel.org, bpf@vger.kernel.org
```

```
$ git send-email --to="maintainer mail" --to="mailing list mail" v2-0001-*.patch  
Send this email? ([y]es|[n]o|[q]uit|[a]ll): Y
```

[...]

Result: OK

**Send mail**



## Patch accept

```
From: patchwork-bot+netdevbpf <patchwork-bot+netdevbpf@kernel.org>  
To: Juhee Kang <claudiajkang@gmail.com>  
Subject: Re: [bpf-next v2 1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument
```

Hello:

This series was applied to [bpf/bpf-next.git \(refs/heads/master\)](#):

On Tue, 27 Jul 2021 04:10:55 +0000 you wrote:

```
> The current behavior of 'tracex7' doesn't consist with other bpf samples  
> tracex{1..6}. Other samples do not require any argument to run with, but  
> tracex7 should be run with btrfs device argument. (it should be executed  
> with test_override_return.sh)  
> [...]
```

Here is the summary with links:

- [bpf-next,v2,1/2] samples: bpf: Fix tracex7 error raised on the missing argument  
<https://git.kernel.org/bpf/bpf-next/c/7d07006f0592>
- [bpf-next,v2,2/2] samples: bpf: Add the omitted xdp samples to .gitignore  
<https://git.kernel.org/bpf/bpf-next/c/05e9b4f60d31>

You are awesome, thank you!

You can also check it through [Gmail](#)



# Patch accept

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<https://patchwork.kernel.org/project/netdevbpf/list>

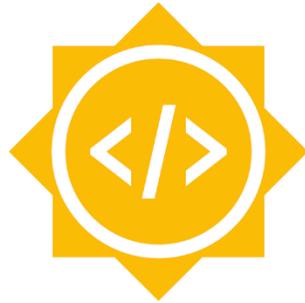
If the patch is reflected, **the state** about the patch in **patchwork** changes to **accept**.



**This was a quick guide to Linux kernel contribution**



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Google Summer of Code

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## Need help with kernel patching in Korea?

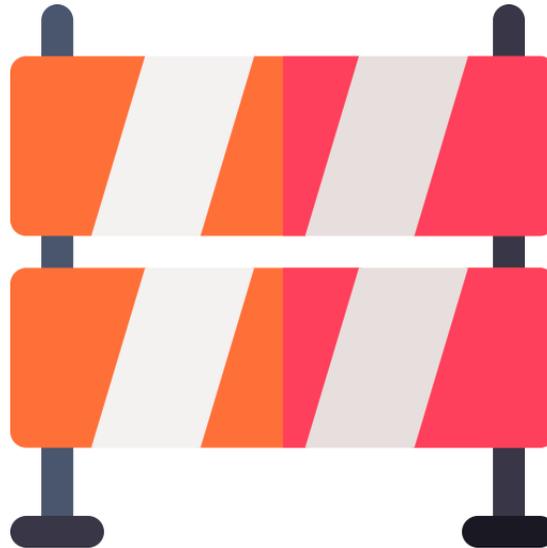
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컨트리뷰션 아카데미** Open Source  
Contribution  
Academy

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