



Barefoot Networks

Advanced Data-Plane Telemetry

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Agenda

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- Barefoot White Box Ecosystem
- Advanced Data-Plane Telemetry
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- Data-Plane Telemetry with Stratum and P4Runtime
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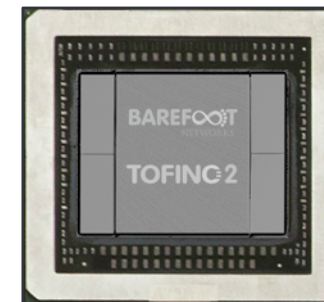


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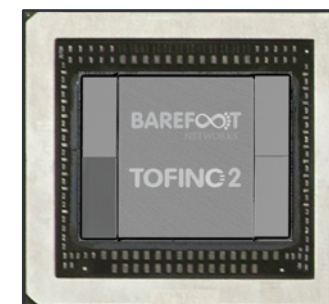
Leading with Performance and Programmability



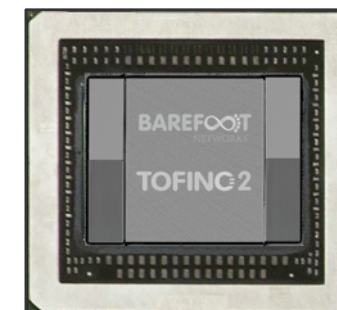
- **Industry leading process node**
 - 7nm technology
- **Highest Bandwidth**
 - 12.8Tbps with 50G SerDes
- **Highest Radix**
 - 256x10/25/50GE, 128x100GE, 32x400GE
- **Lower Power**
 - Up to 50% better performance per Watt
- **Modular Chiplet Architecture**
 - Disaggregated silicon with upgradability to 100G SerDes and Silicon Photonics
- **Field proven PISA architecture**
 - In production at several customers including Tier 1 OEMs and MSDCs
- **P4 Programmability**
 - Leverage 1500+ P4 developer community and thriving ecosystem



12.8 Tbps



8.0 Tb/s

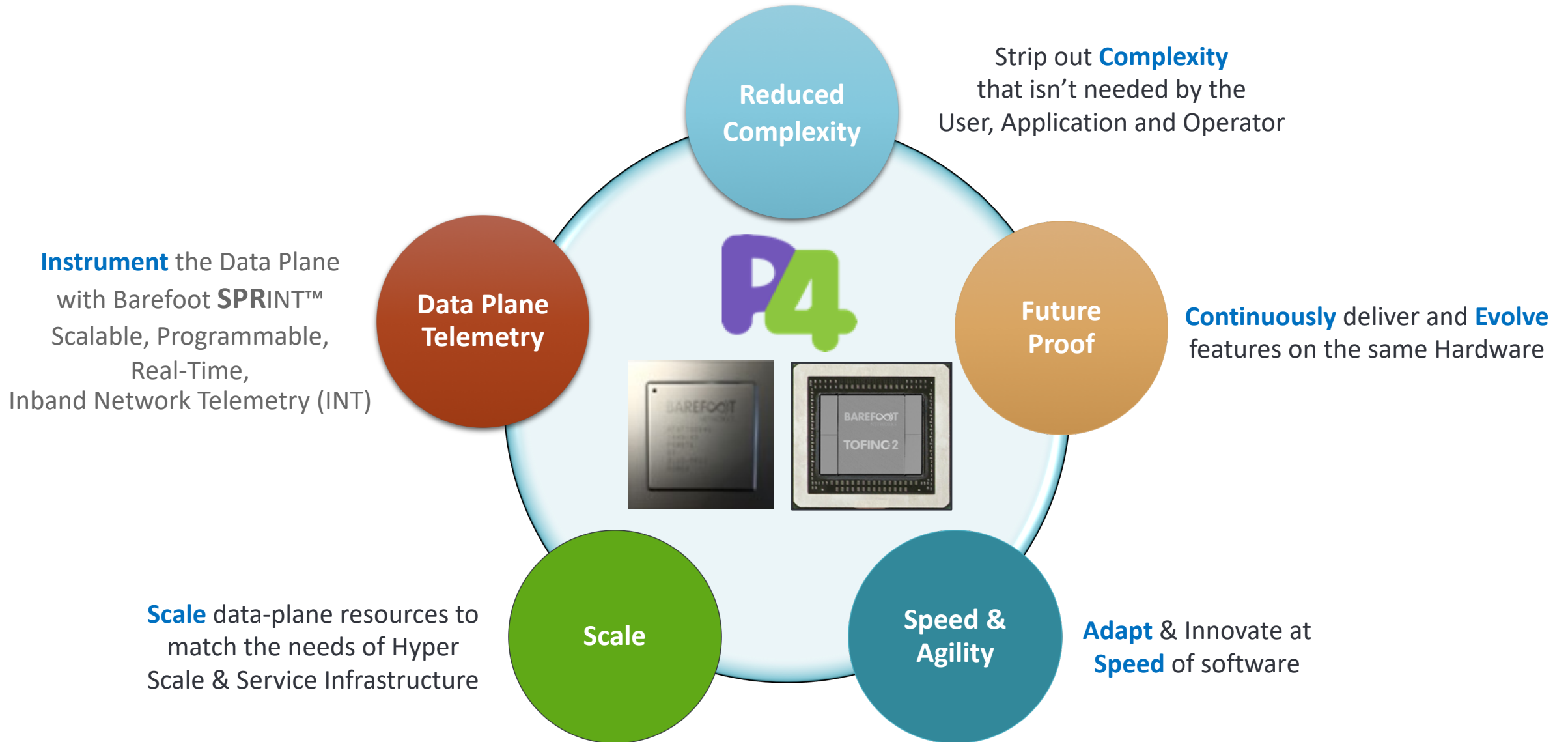


6.4 Tb/s

Sampling in 1H '19

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Benefits of P4 Programmable Switches



Barefoot White Box Ecosystem – Best of Breed

Network Operating Systems



White Box Hardware (ODMs)



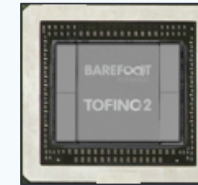
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Barefoot ASICs



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12.8 Tbps



3.2 Tb/s



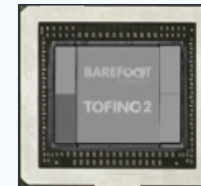
2.4 Tb/s



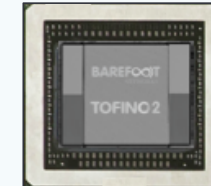
2.0 Tb/s



1.8 Tb/s



8.0 Tb/s



6.4 Tb/s

Barefoot Data-Plane Telemetry

DTEL: P4 library for data-plane telemetry

“Track every flow”: Flow Reporting

- Monitor and report every flow’s path and latency
- INT- or Postcard-style implementation

“Track every drop”: Drop Reporting

- Mirror every dropped packet along with the drop reason

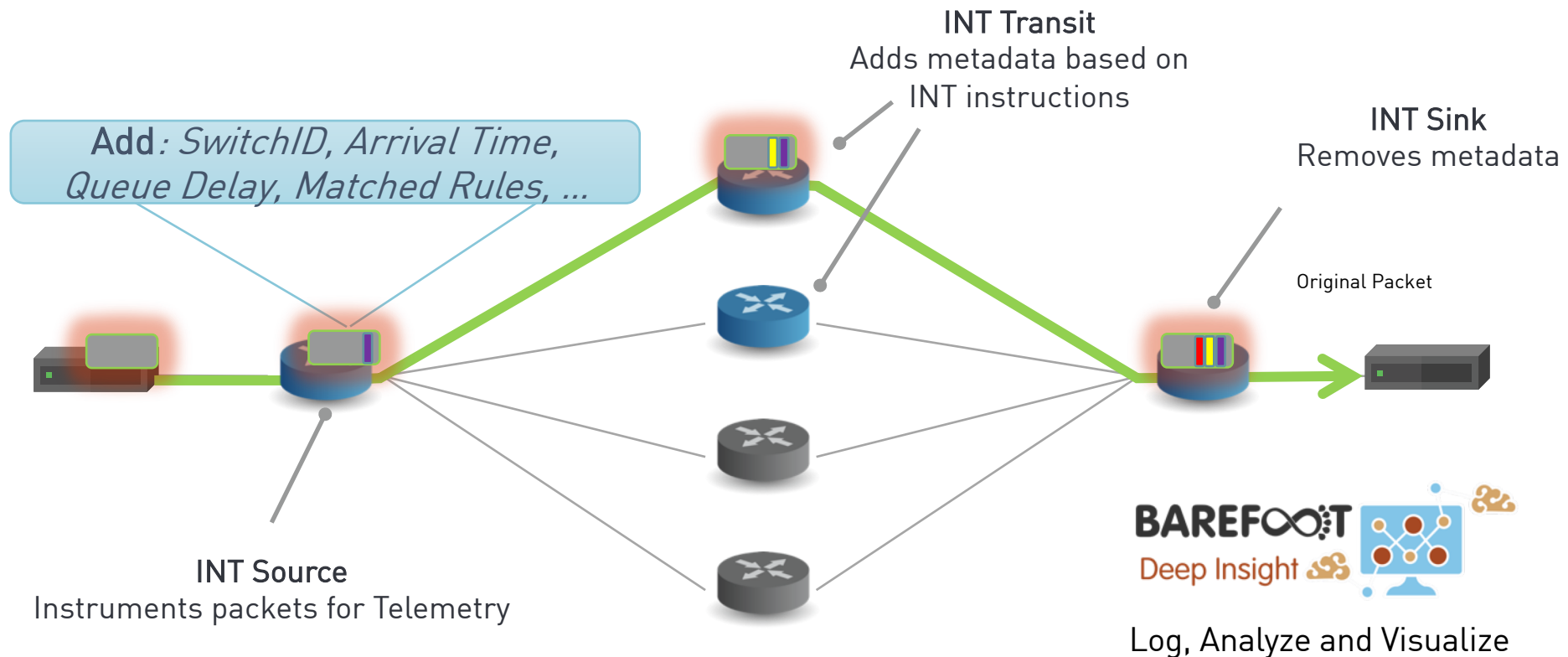
“Track every congestion”: Congestion Reporting

- Produce packet-level snapshots of a congested queue
- Detect, characterize, and analyze microbursts

Uncompromised Visibility

Leverages In-Band Network Telemetry (INT)

https://github.com/p4lang/p4-applications/blob/master/docs/INT_v0_5.pdf



Barefoot Telemetry - Flexible to your Design

Postcard Mode

- In the postcard mode, **each network device** generates its own flow telemetry reports.
- **Deep Insight Analytics** receives reports from different network devices, each describing the telemetry metadata.

- Does not modify original packets
- Functionally equivalent to INT (flow Reports)
- No dependencies on INT marking (DSCP)

Inband Network Telemetry (INT)

- **Metadata is embedded** in between the original headers of data packets as they traverse the network
- The sink node generates flow reports using data carried by the INT device.

- Relies on network configuration for packet modification
- More efficient: less flow tracking reports

Additional Data Plane Telemetry methods

Generated at every hop

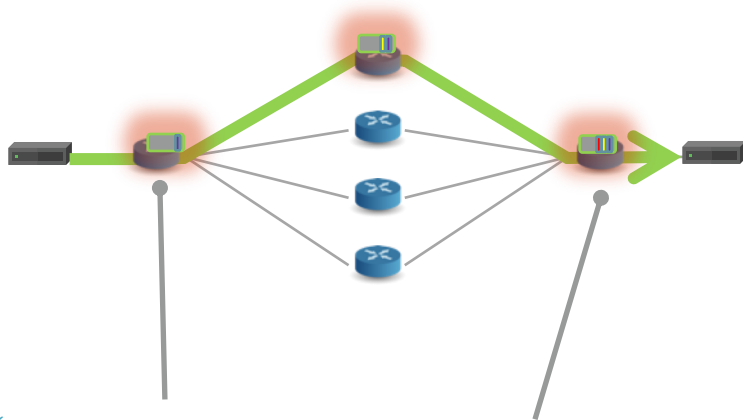
- **Drop Reports:** Generated for all dropped packets that match a telemetry-specific access control list (drop watchlist).
- **Congestion Reports:** Generated for traffic entering a specific queue during a period of queue congestion.
- Identify traffic that causes or prolongs queue congestion.
- Congestion detected by queue depth or latency thresholds, configured for each queue

SPRINT: A Fully Featured, High-Performance INT

FULLY COMPATIBLE SUPERSET OF A VANILLA INT IMPLEMENTATION

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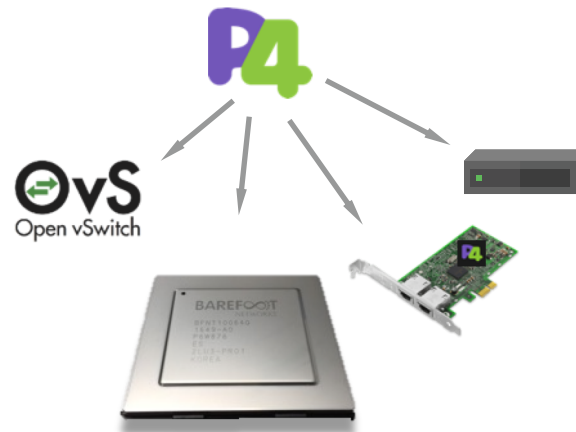
Smart



- ✓ What to Observe
- ✓ What to Collect
- ✓ Intelligent Triggers
- ✓ Built-in Load Balancing

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Programmable



- ✓ Adapt to customers requirements
- ✓ Flexible encapsulation through P4
- ✓ Open specifications and ecosystem

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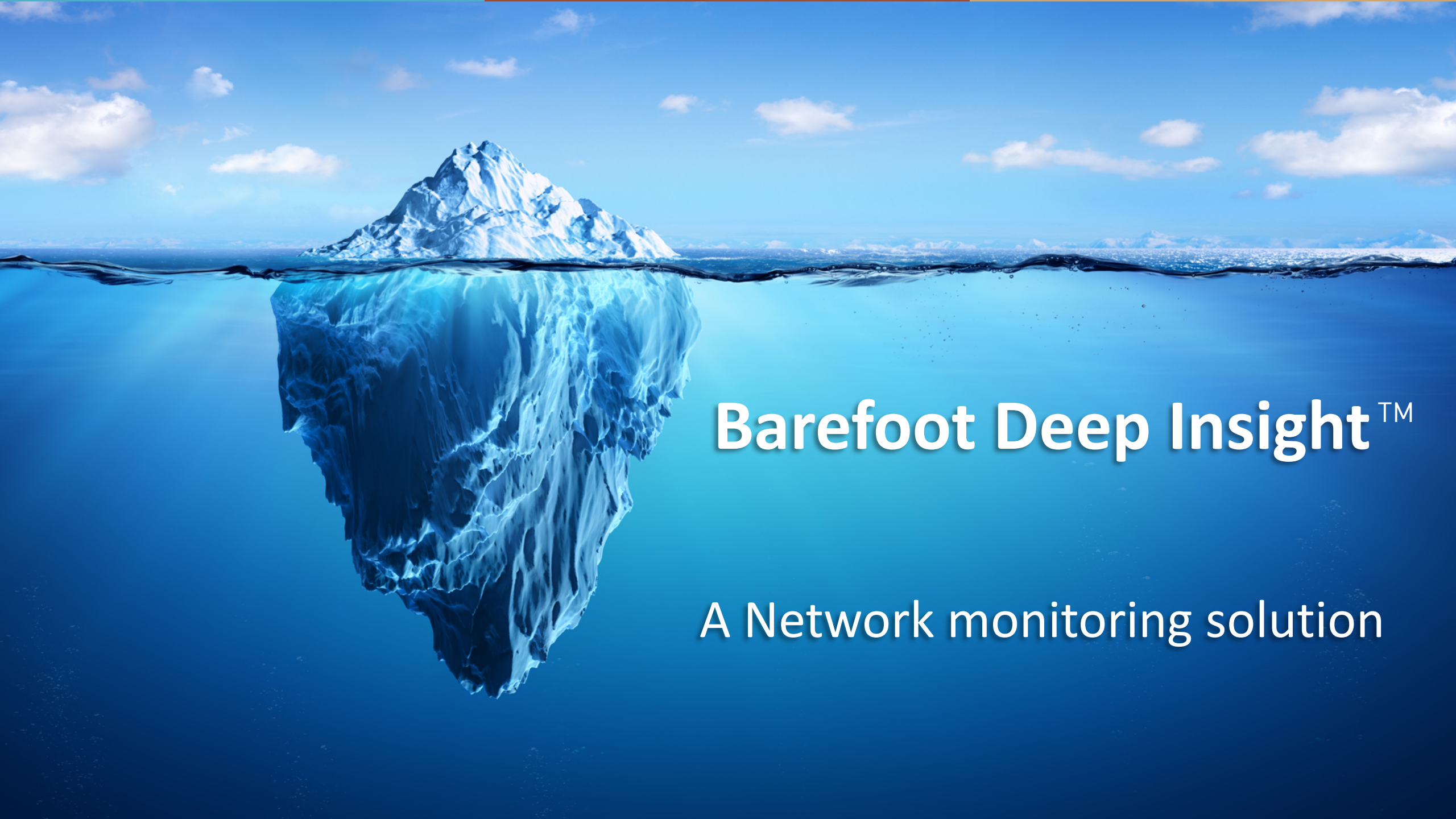
Real Time



- ✓ Data-plane Streaming
- ✓ Packet-by-packet Anomaly detection
- ✓ Real time Analytics with Deep Insight

Barefoot SPRINT vs. other Solutions

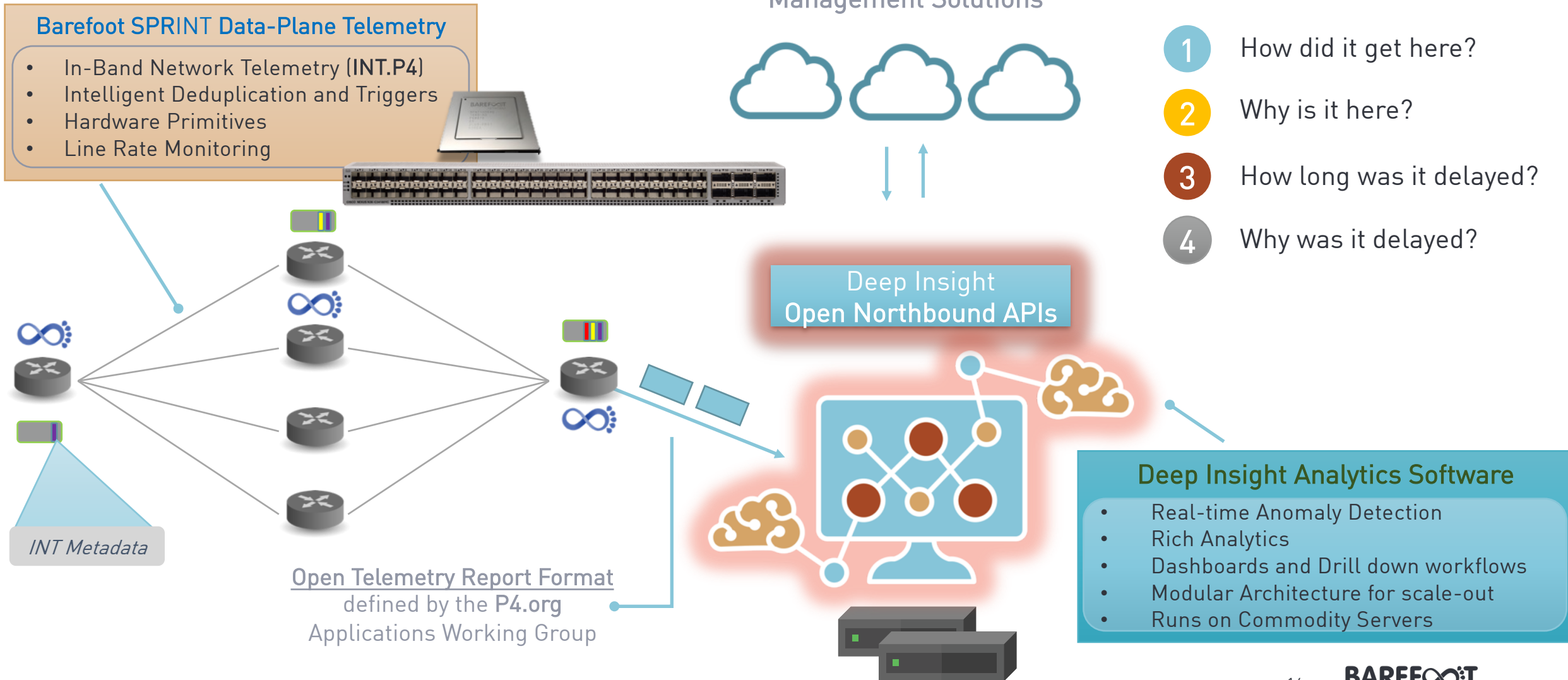
Capability	Tofino and Barefoot Deep Insight BAREFOOT	Sampled and Probe Based Technology
Data-Plane Push	✓ Telemetry Reports streamed by Tofino	✗ CPU push
Line-Rate Traffic Monitoring	✓ Packet by Packet telemetry without performance compromises	✗ Limited throughput with ARM-based CPU constraints
Resolution & Latency Granularity	✓ Nanosecond (1,000,000x more accurate)	✗ millisecond
In-band Telemetry (INT)	✓ Scalable, Programmable, Real-time INT	✗ Probes, with CPU instrumentation
Hop-by-Hop Telemetry	✓ Postcard-style reporting	✗ No Capability
Congestion Detection (Microburst)	✓ Microburst detection & Latency impact	✗ No real-time Microburst detection
Congestion Analysis & Root Cause	✓ Queue profile and composition	✗ No real-time Queue Visibility
Coverage of Telemetry	✓ Any packets	✗ Sampled & cloned packets only
Traffic Reporting Overhead	✓ Very low (smart change detector)	✗ Very high
Relevance of reports	✓ Very high (smart change detector)	✗ Low
H/W-based Smart Change Detection	✓ Monitor any packets, report only anomalies	✗ No intelligent filtering
Open and Extensible	✓ Based on P4.org Open specifications	✗ Proprietary or No P4 implementation
Programmable	✓ Adapts to your needs	✗ Fixed Function
Analytics Engine	✓ Barefoot Deep Insight solution	✗ No analytics Engine



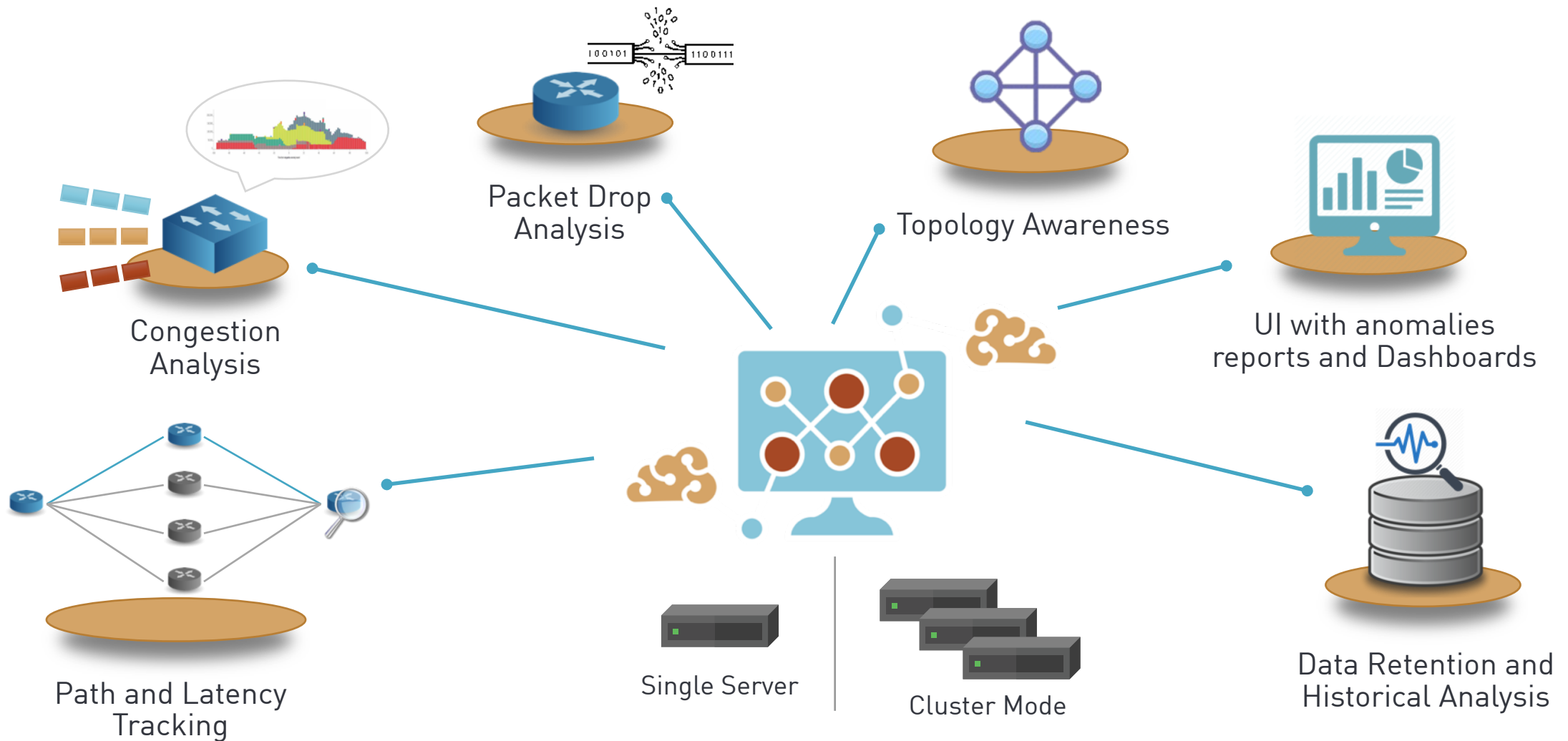
Barefoot Deep Insight™

A Network monitoring solution

Barefoot Deep Insight Analytics



Barefoot Deep Insight – Key Features*



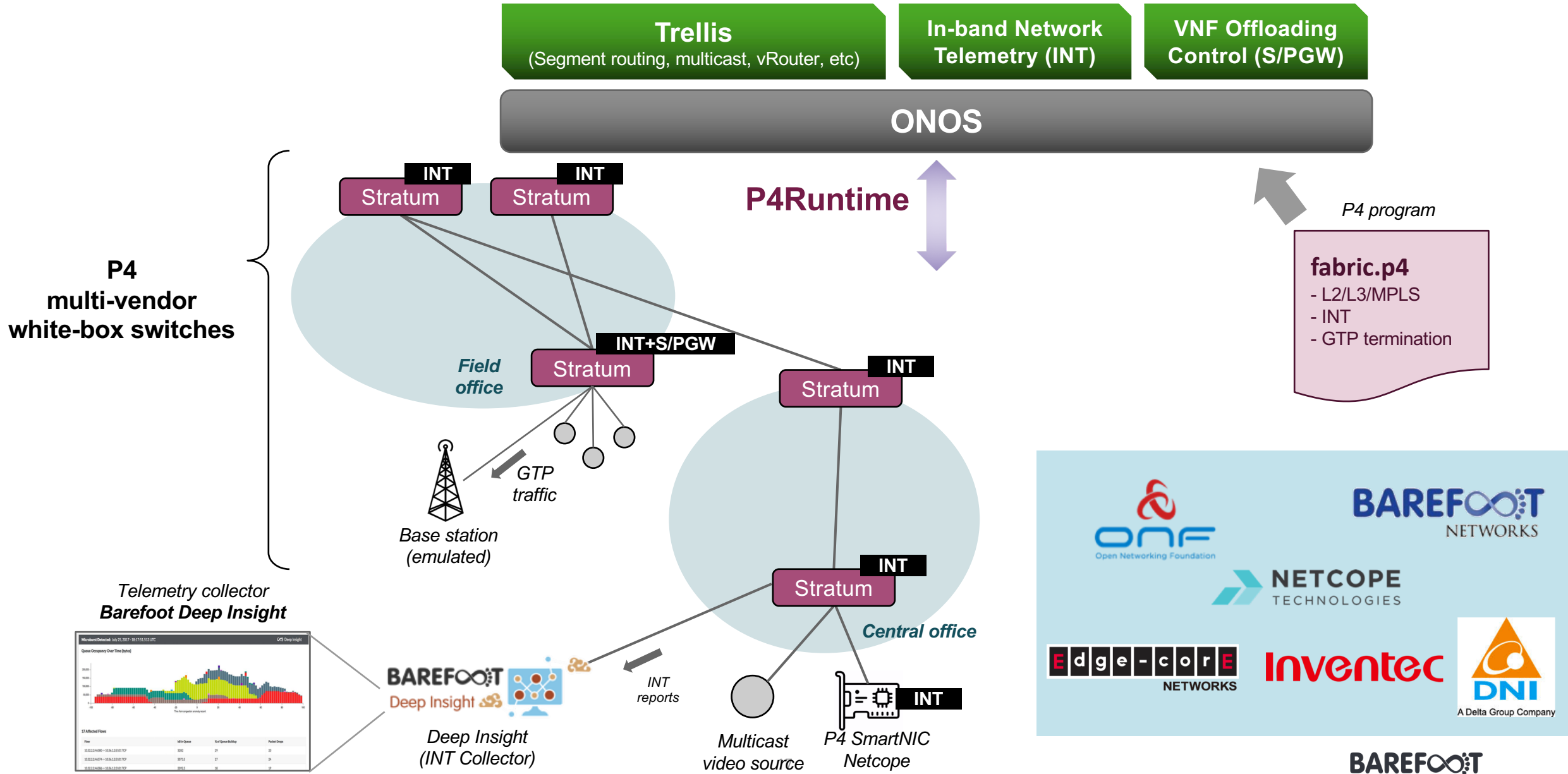
*Deep Insight Product Brief: <https://www.barefootnetworks.com/s/app/pdf/DI-UG42-003ea-ProdBrief.pdf>

An iceberg floating in the ocean. The tip of the iceberg is visible above the water surface, while the much larger, jagged base is submerged underwater. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. The water is a clear, deep blue.

Barefoot Deep Insight™

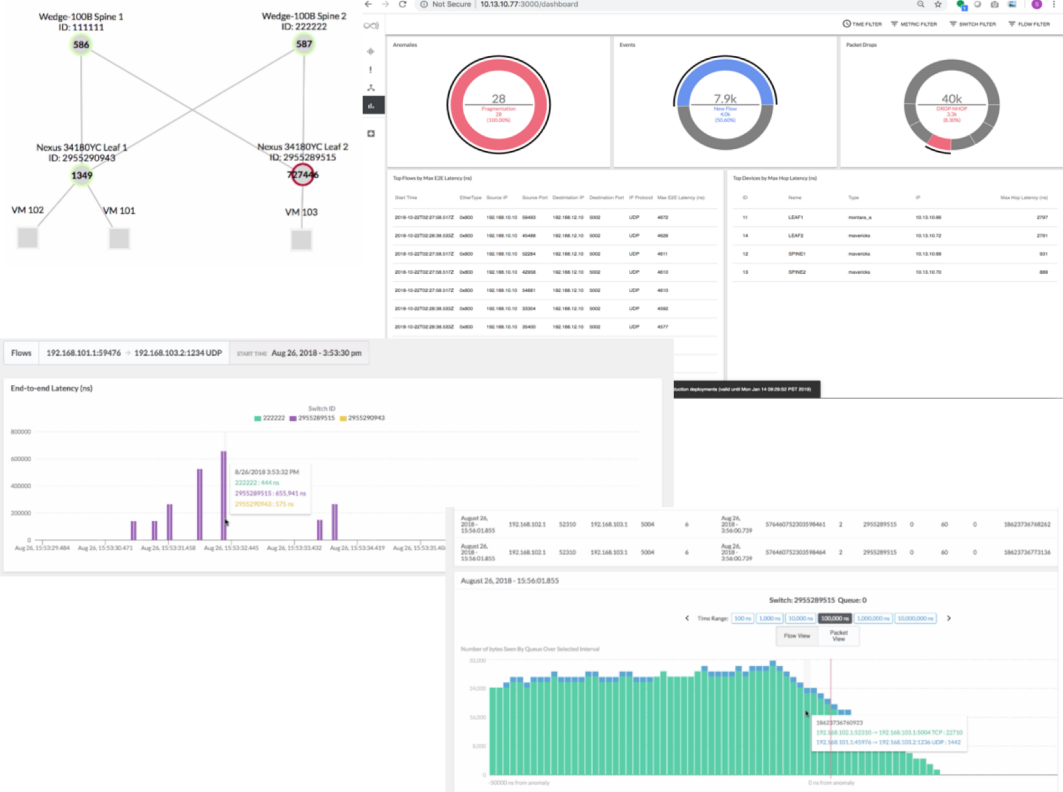
- ✓ Scale-out Network Analytics software
- ✓ Reduce Network Troubleshooting (OPEX savings)
- ✓ 1,000,000x more accurate yet cost effective
- ✓ Detects anomalies, microbursts, and packet drops
- ✓ A DVR for your network
- ✓ Enable Feedback Loop to Fix issues and Optimize

Barefoot, Stratum & P4Runtime - Data Plane Telemetry



Advanced Data-Plane Telemetry Demo

Demo at the Barefoot Booth



Spine – 2x Wedge 100BF-65X (INT Transit)



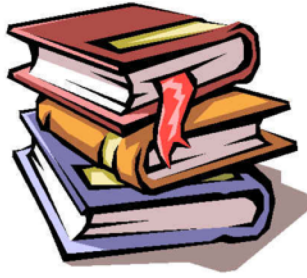
Leaf – 2x Cisco Nexus® 34180YC (INT Source/Sink)



Virtualized Servers
3x ESXi Hosts with VMs



(1x server)



References - More about DTEL & INT P4 Library

- Integrated with commercial and open-source switch OS

Stratum, SONiC (via SAI), NX-OS, IP Infusion OcNOS

https://github.com/Azure/SONiC/blob/gh-pages/doc/barefoot_dtel/Dtel-SONiC.md

<https://github.com/opencomputeproject/SAI/blob/master/doc/DTEL/SAI-Proposal-Data-Plane-Telemetry.md>

- Open-source implementation of INT and spec in P4

P4 Apps WG (<https://github.com/p4lang/p4-applications>)

IETF In-situ OAM (<https://datatracker.ietf.org/wg/ioam/about>)

Summary – SPRINT Data Plane Telemetry

Real

Available Today on
Barefoot based
Products and
SmartNICs

Proven

Deployed in Production
at Tier 1 & Tier 2
Hyperscalers and
TELCOs

Open

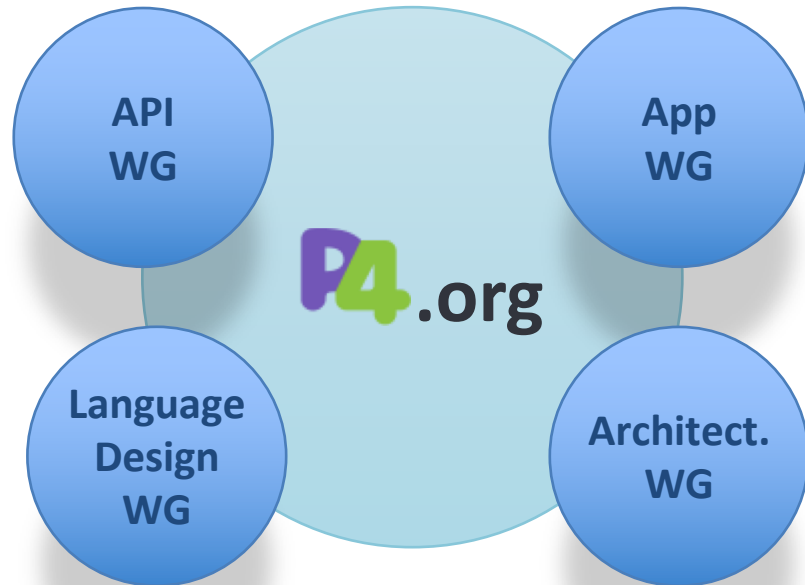
P4 Implementation

Accurate

Uncompromised
Telemetry

Open Framework through Open Community

IETF AND P4.ORG



P4-App WG Charter

- Data-Plane Telemetry (e.g. INT)
- Security: Heavy-hitter Detection
- Services Offload: (e.g. Layer-4 LB)
- In-Network Cache for distributed services

Initial Accomplishments

- 50+ Active members: Telco, Hyperscalers, OEMs and Technology vendors
- Open specified INT and Telemetry Report Specs



OVS Orbit PODcast on P4 INT (B. Pfaff, C. Kim): <https://ovsorbit.org/#e46>

How INT works, OVS use-cases for INT and SDN vendors



IETF 100 – Barefoot delivers first ever hardware-based (Tofino) In-situ OAM implementation:

Barefoot Networks Demonstrates In-situ Operations, Administration and Management (IOAM) Showcasing the Power of Programmable Forwarding Plane Technology

Thank You!

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