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NFVI/VNF CHARACTERIZATION USING NSB [NETWORK SERVICES BENCHMARKING]

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Agenda

- Intro to NSB
- NSB Methodology
- NSB Architecture and OPNFV Yardstick
- Test case execution flow
- NFVi Characterization using NSB
- Workshop Session
- Questions

Why Network Services Benchmarking?

**General Lack of
Telco Grade
Conformance/
Benchmarks**

**Unclear Network
Workload
Dimensions and
Stress Vectors**

**Missing System
Level Capacity
Requirements**

**Network Workload
Scalability/ Agility
Implications on NFV**

**Operators lack
comprehensive
information for TCO
models to plan, procure and
deploy NFV**

**Many tools and
benchmarks**

Challenge of NFV characterization

Test should be realistic and repeatable.

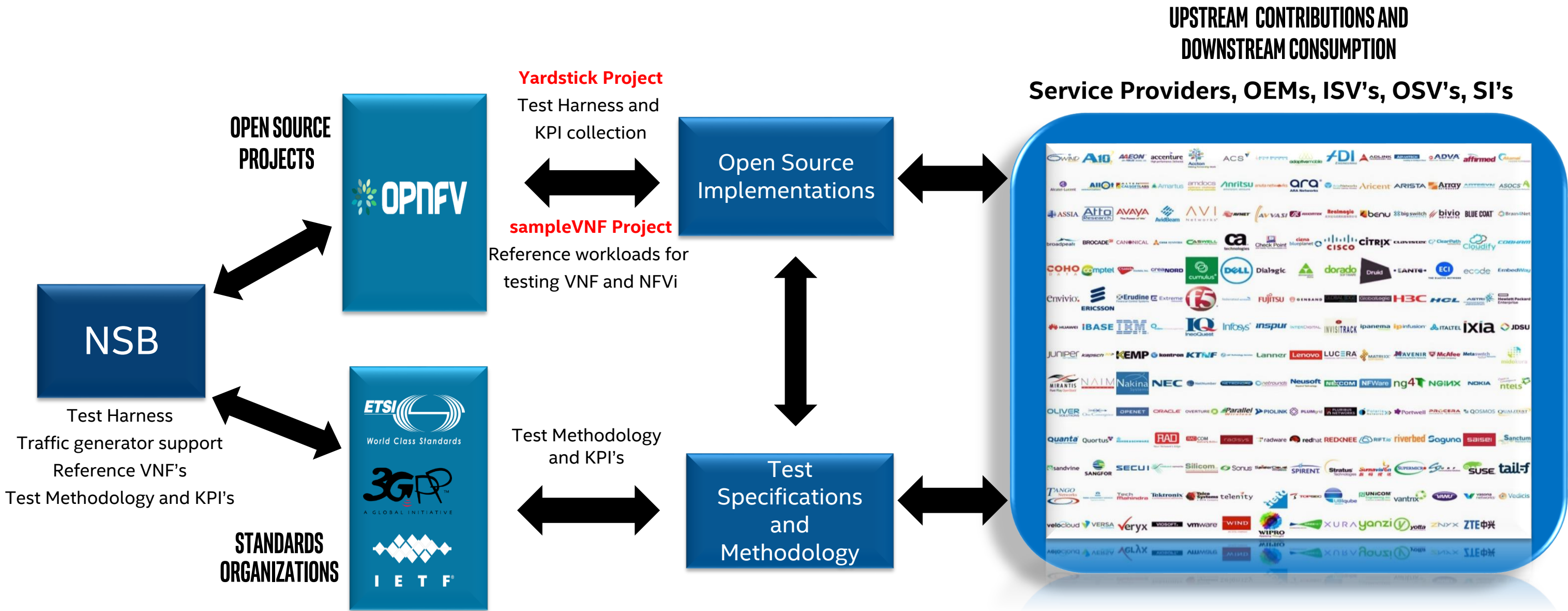
Main metrics and KPIs should be established

Results should be independent of the generators used.

What is NSB?

- NSB is a benchmarking and characterisation tool that automates NFVi and VNF characterisation.
- Combination of many open source components to facilitate deterministic and repeatable benchmarking
- NSB characterisation provides simultaneous views of Network, NFVi and application metrics for a given test scenario.
- Presents the metrics in a unified fashion for the user to examine and do analysis

NSB Open Source and Standards



UPSTREAM CONTRIBUTIONS AND
DOWNSTREAM CONSUMPTION

Service Providers, OEMs, ISV's, OSV's, SI's

Yardstick Project

Test Harness and
KPI collection

sampleVNF Project

Reference workloads for
testing VNF and NFVi

Open Source
Implementations

Test
Specifications
and
Methodology

Test Methodology
and KPI's



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NSB provides

Test Framework

- Performance benchmarking of a Virtual Network Function (VNF) in a Network Functions Virtualization (NFV) environment
- Performance benchmarking of Network Function Virtualization infrastructure (NFVi).

Test cases

Test case examples are provided for running RFC2544, RFC3511 and 3GPP tests with different VNFs, traffic profiles and scaling factors (CPU, Memory, Ports, etc.)

Contexts

VNF and NFVi characterization and benchmarking can be executed in three different environments:

- Baremetal
- Standalone virtualization
- Managed virtualized environment e.g. Openstack*, Kubernetes*

Traffic generator Support

NSB supports **external software and hardware traffic generators** e.g. T-Rex*, IxLoad*, IxNetwork*, Spirent Landslide*, PROX

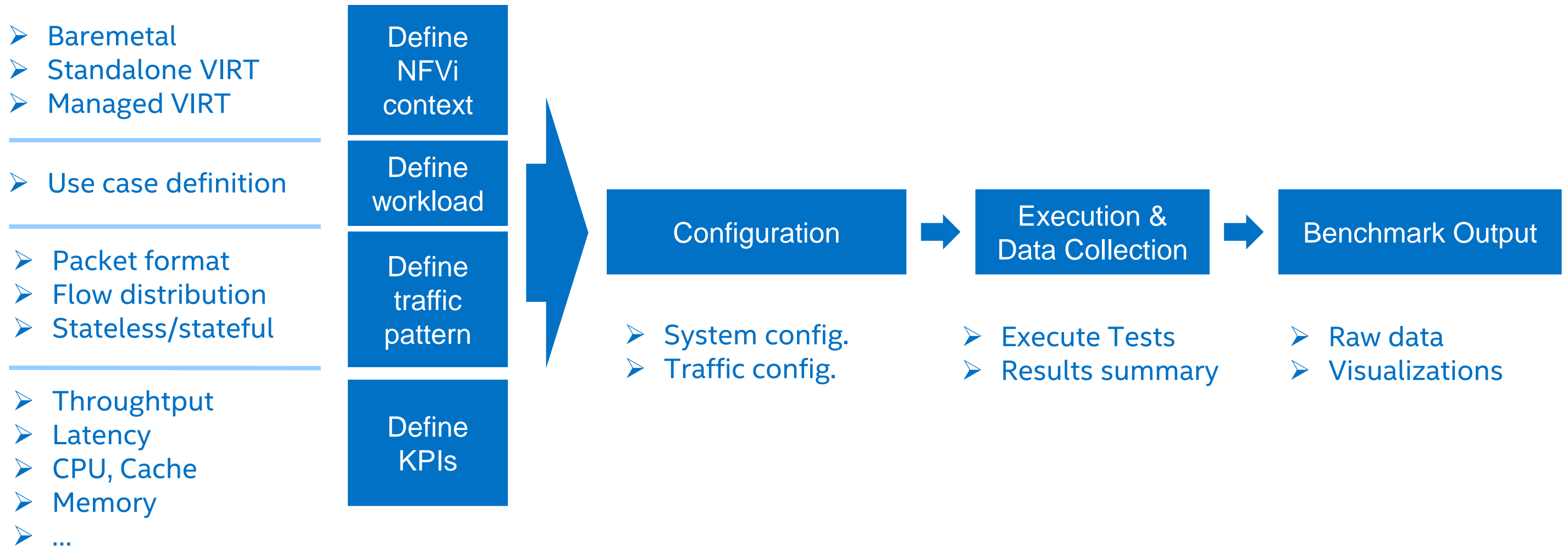
KPIs

NSB provides **test automation** and **collection of**

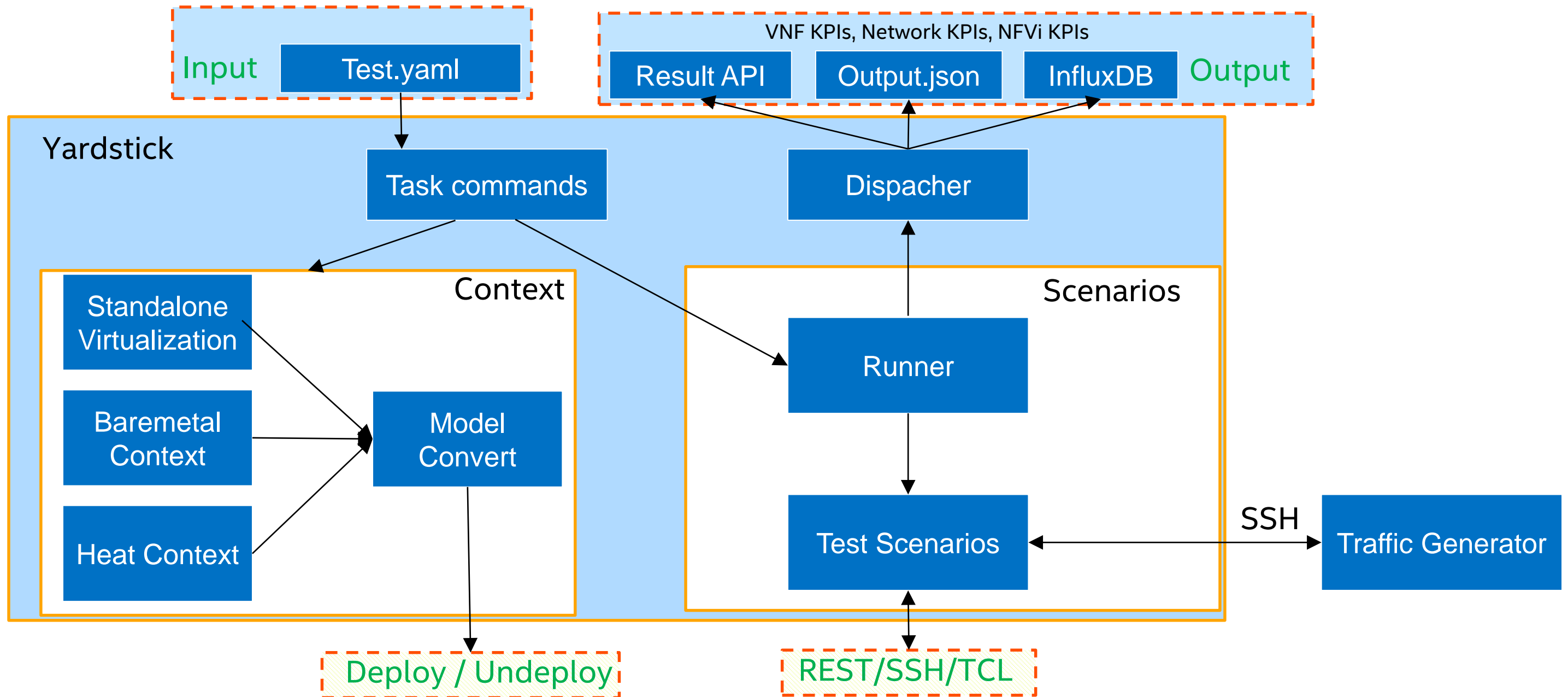
- Network KPIs
- NFVi KPIs
- VNF KPIs

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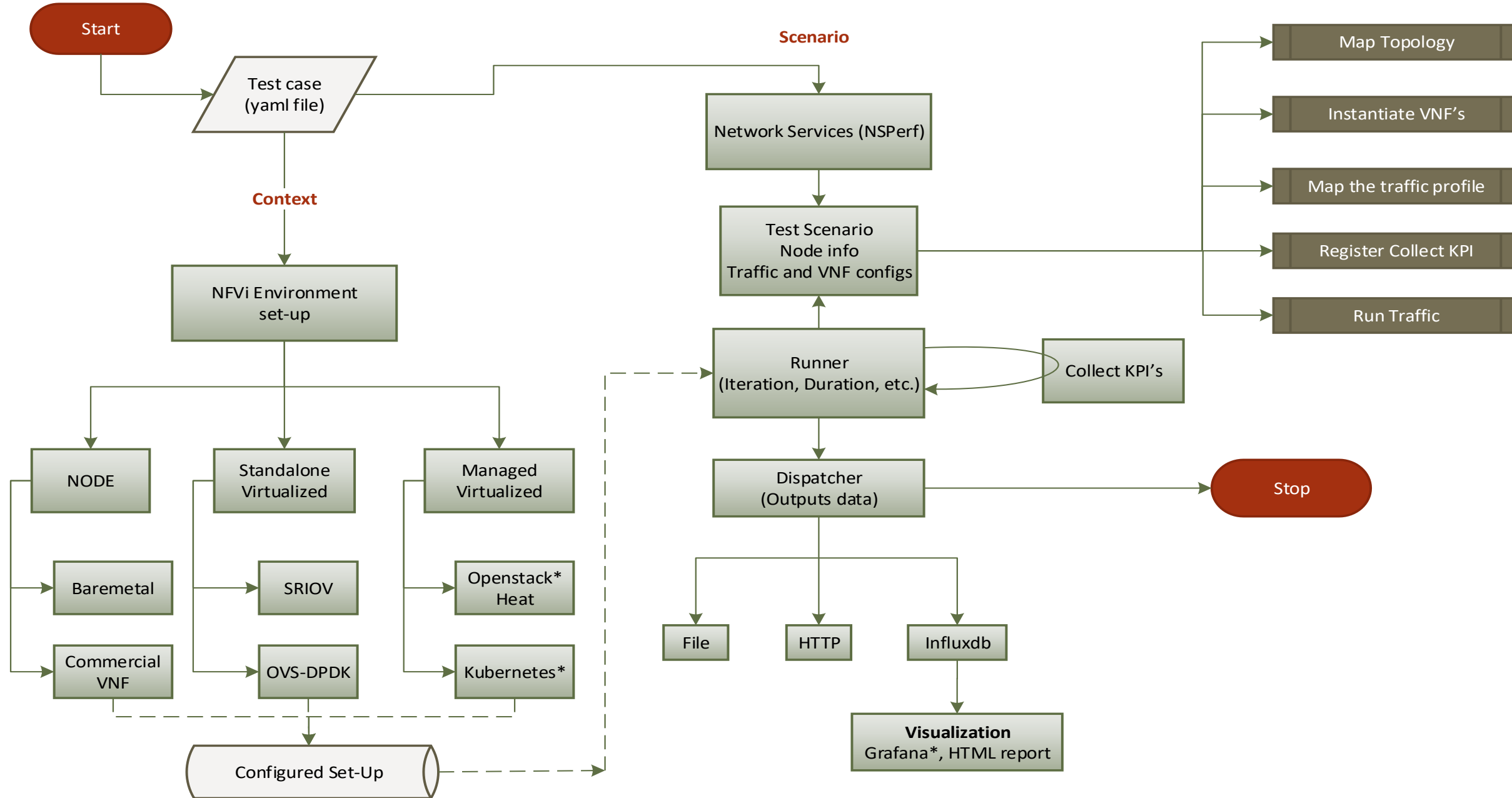
NSB Methodology



NSB - Yardstick logical view

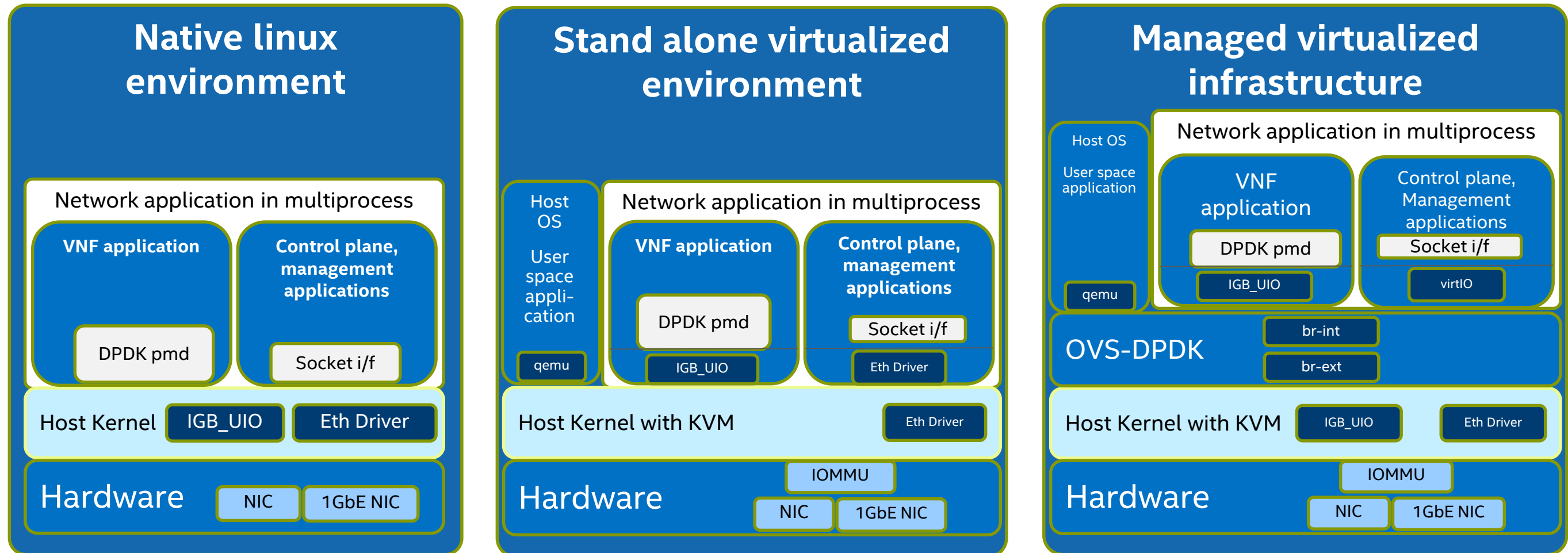


NSB - Yardstick Test Execution Flow



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Benchmarking environments



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NSB – Test case view

```
>>
samples/vnf_samples/nsut/vfw/tc_baremetal_rfc2544_ipv4_1rule_1flow_64B_trex.yaml

---
schema: yardstick:task:0.1
scenarios:
- type: NSPerf
  traffic_profile: ../../traffic_profiles/ipv4_throughput.yaml
  topology: vfw-tg-topology.yaml
  nodes:
    tg__0: trafficgen_1.yardstick
    vnf__0: vnf.yardstick
  options:
    framesize:
      uplink: {128B: 100}
      downlink: {128B: 100}
    flow:
      src_ip: [{'tg__0': 'xe0'}]
      dst_ip: [{'tg__0': 'xe1'}]
      count: 1
    traffic_type: 4
    rfc2544:
      allowed_drop_rate: 0.0001 - 0.0001
    vnf__0:
      rules: acl_1rule.yaml
      vnf_config: {lb_config: 'SW', lb_count: 1, worker_config: '1C/1T', worker_threads: 1}
  runner:
    type: Iteration
    iterations: 10
    interval: 35
```

Baremetal/Node

```
context:
type: Node
name: yardstick
nfvi_type: baremetal
file: /etc/yardstick/nodes/pod.yaml
```

NSB – Test case view ...

Standalone: SRIOV	
contexts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- name: yardstick type: Node file: /etc/yardstick/nodes/standalone/trex_bm.yaml- type: StandaloneSriov file: /etc/yardstick/nodes/standalone/host_sriov.yaml name: yardstick vm_deploy: True flavor: <ul style="list-style-type: none">images: "/var/lib/libvirt/images/yardstick-nsb-image.img"ram: 16384extra_specs:<ul style="list-style-type: none">hw:cpu_sockets: 1hw:cpu_cores: 6hw:cpu_threads: 2user: ""password: ""	servers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">vnf__0:<ul style="list-style-type: none">network_ports:<ul style="list-style-type: none">mgmt:<ul style="list-style-type: none">cidr: '1.1.1.61/24'xe0:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- uplink_0xe1:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- downlink_0 networks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">uplink_0:<ul style="list-style-type: none">phy_port: "0000:05:00.0"vpci: "0000:00:07.0"cidr: '152.16.100.10/24'gateway_ip: '152.16.100.20'downlink_0:<ul style="list-style-type: none">phy_port: "0000:05:00.1"vpci: "0000:00:08.0"cidr: '152.16.40.10/24'gateway_ip: '152.16.100.20'

NSB – Test case view ...

Standalone: OVS_DPDK

contexts:

- name: yardstick
type: Node
file: /etc/yardstick/nodes/standalone/trex_bm.yaml
 - type: StandaloneOvsDpdk
name: yardstick
file: /etc/yardstick/nodes/standalone/pod_ovs.yaml
vm_deploy: True
- ### ovs_properties:
- version:
 - ovs: 2.7.0
 - dpdk: 16.11.1
 - pmd_threads: 2
 - ram:
 - socket_0: 2048
 - socket_1: 2048
 - queues: 4
 - vpath: "/usr/local"
- ### flavor:
- images: "/var/lib/libvirt/images/yardstick-nsb-image.img"
 - ram: 16384
 - extra_specs:
 - hw:cpu_sockets: 1
 - hw:cpu_cores: 6
 - hw:cpu_threads: 2

servers:

- vnf__0:
 - network_ports:
 - mgmt:
 - cidr: '1.1.1.7/24'
 - xe0:
 - uplink_0
 - xe1:
 - downlink_0
- networks:
 - uplink_0:
 - port_num: 0**
 - phy_port: "0000:05:00.0"
 - vpci: "0000:00:07.0"
 - cidr: '152.16.100.10/24'
 - gateway_ip: '152.16.100.20'
 - downlink_0:
 - port_num: 1**
 - phy_port: "0000:05:00.1"
 - vpci: "0000:00:08.0"
 - cidr: '152.16.40.10/24'
 - gateway_ip: '152.16.100.20'

NSB – Test case view ...

Openstack Heat with OVS/OVS-DPDK

context:

name: yardstick
image: **yardstick-samplevnfs**
flavor:
 vcpus: 10
 ram: 20480
 disk: 6
 extra_specs: [[Add EPA/HPA features here](#)]
 hw:cpu_sockets: 1
 hw:cpu_cores: 10
 hw:cpu_threads: 1
 hw:mem_page_size: large [[enable for ovs-dpdk](#)]
user: ubuntu
placement_groups:
 pgrp1:
 policy: "availability"
servers:
 vnf:
 floating_ip: true
 placement: "pgrp1"
 trafficgen_1:
 floating_ip: true
 placement: "pgrp1"

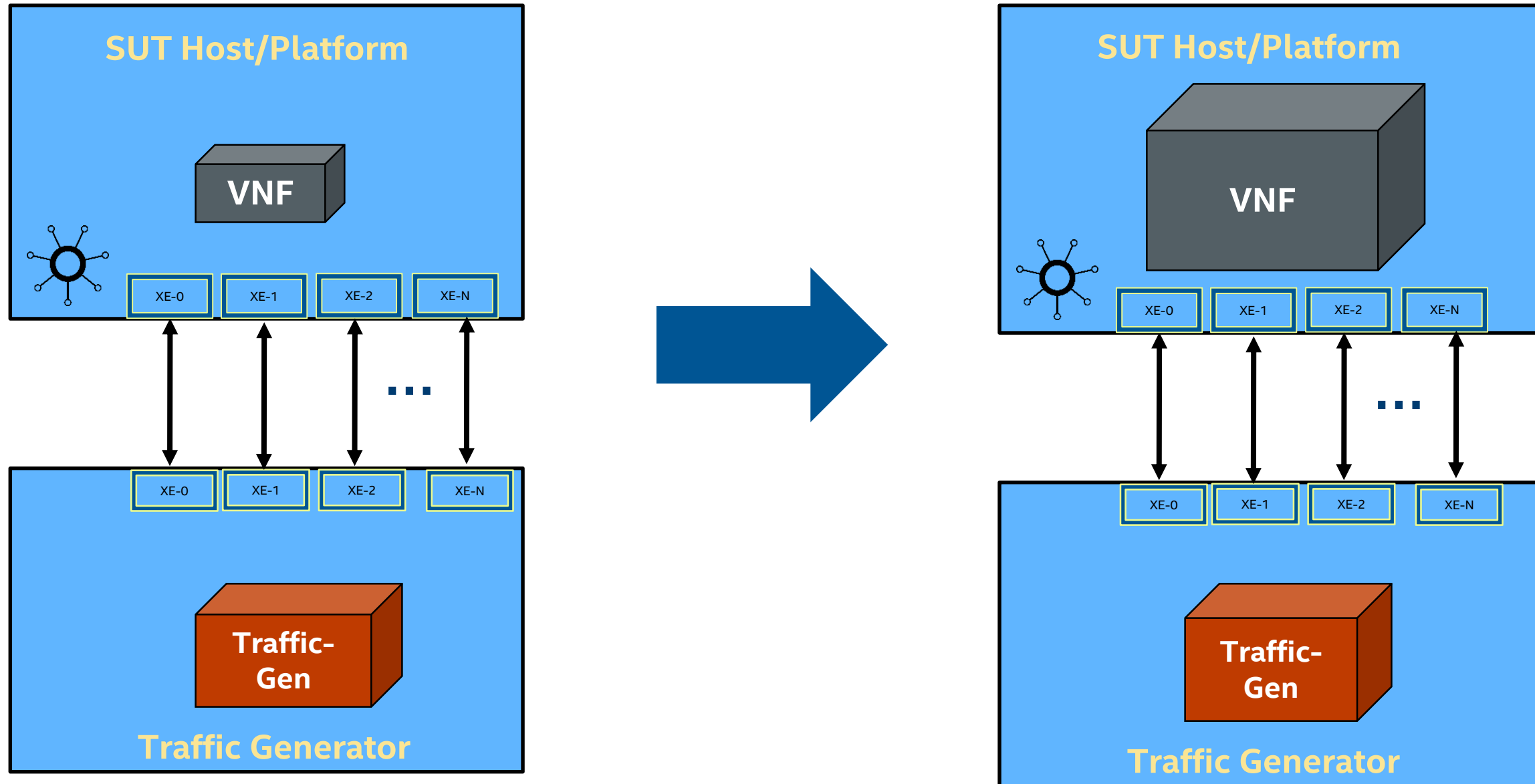
networks:

mgmt:
 cidr: '10.0.1.0/24'
uplink_0:
 cidr: '10.0.2.0/24'
 gateway_ip: 'null'
 port_security_enabled: False
 enable_dhcp: 'false'
downlink_0:
 cidr: '10.0.3.0/24'
 gateway_ip: 'null'
 port_security_enabled: False
 enable_dhcp: 'false'
uplink_1:
 cidr: '10.0.4.0/24'
 gateway_ip: 'null'
 port_security_enabled: False
 enable_dhcp: 'false'
downlink_1:
 cidr: '10.0.5.0/24'
 gateway_ip: 'null'
 port_security_enabled: False
 enable_dhcp: 'false'

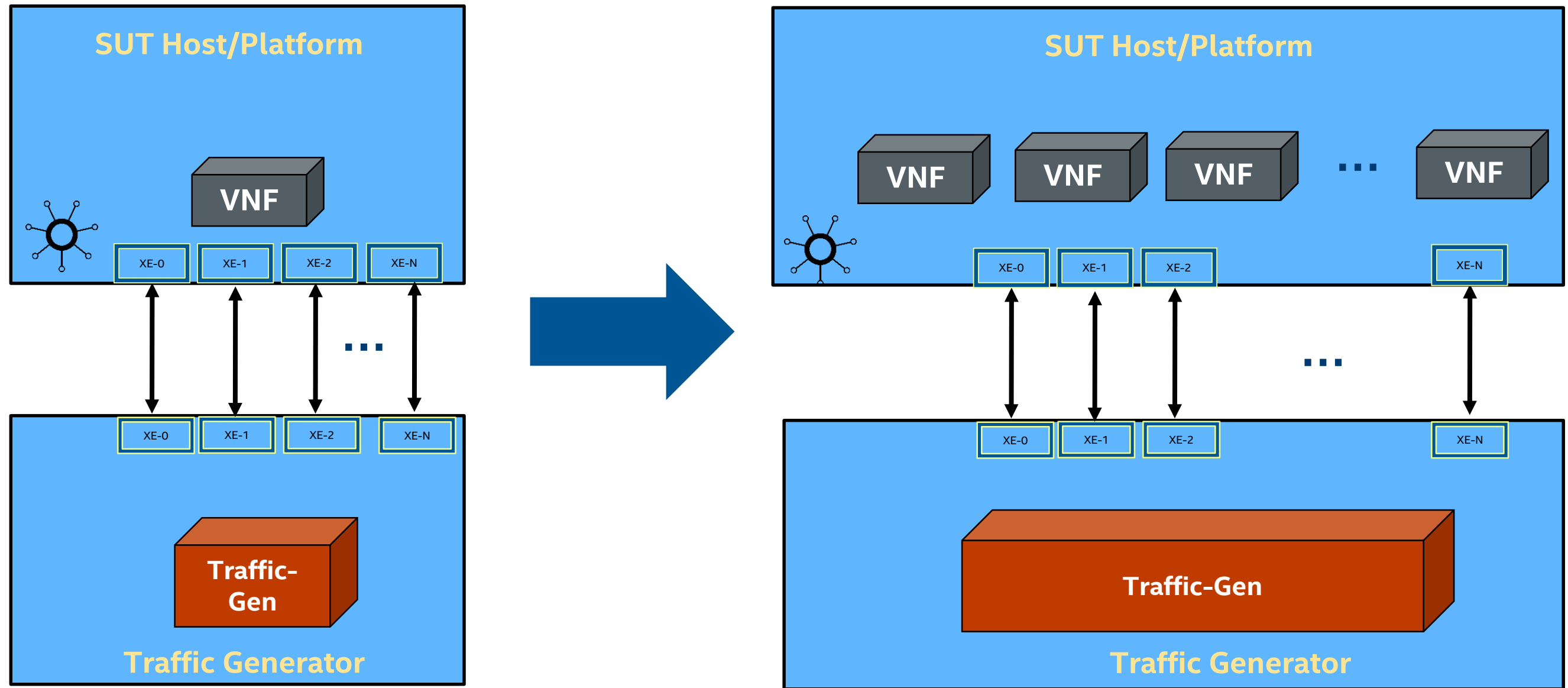
NSB – Test case view ...

Openstack Heat with SRIOV	
<p>context: name: yardstick image: yardstick-samplevnfs flavor: vcpus: 10 ram: 20480 disk: 6 extra_specs: [Add EPA/HPA features here] hw:cpu_sockets: 1 hw:cpu_cores: 10 hw:cpu_threads: 1 user: ubuntu placement_groups: pgrp1: policy: "availability" servers: vnf: floating_ip: true placement: "pgrp1" trafficgen_1: floating_ip: true placement: "pgrp1" networks: mgmt: cidr: '10.0.1.0/24'</p>	<p>uplink_0: cidr: '10.1.0.0/24' gateway_ip: 'null' provider: true physical_network: phystenant1 port_security_enabled: false enable_dhcp: 'false' downlink_0: cidr: '10.2.0.0/24' gateway_ip: 'null' provider: true physical_network: phystenant2 port_security_enabled: false enable_dhcp: 'false' uplink_1: cidr: '10.3.0.0/24' gateway_ip: 'null' provider: true physical_network: phystenant3 port_security_enabled: false enable_dhcp: 'false' downlink_2: cidr: '10.4.0.0/24' gateway_ip: 'null' provider: true physical_network: phystenant4 port_security_enabled: false enable_dhcp: 'false'</p>

Scale Up Tests – Vertical Scaling



Scale Out Tests – Horizontal Scaling



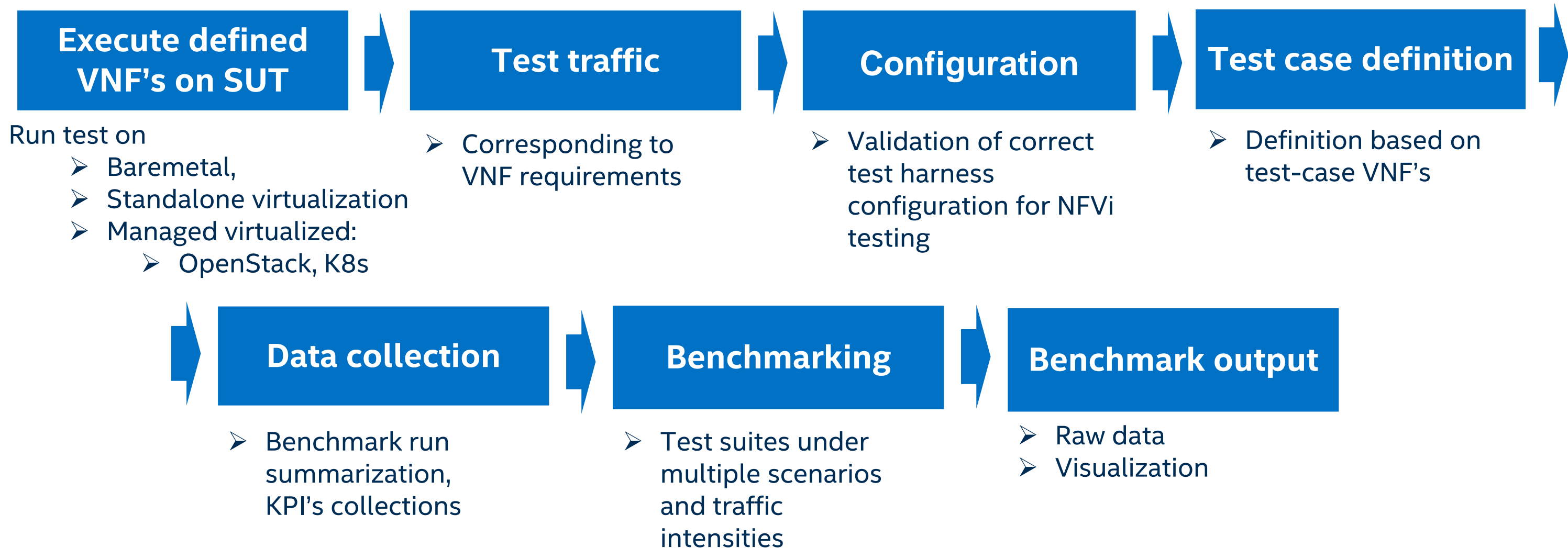
Scale out test: https://github.com/opnfv/yardstick/blob/master/samples/vnf_samples/nsut/vfw/tc_heat_rfc2544_ipv4_1rule_1flow_64B_trex_scale_out.yaml

VNFs Supported (OPNFV Yardstick Gambia release)

- ✓ Virtual Firewall - vFW
- ✓ Virtual Access Control List – vACL
- ✓ Virtual Provider Edge Router – vPE
- ✓ Carrier Grade Network Address and port Translation – CG-NAT
- ✓ Packet pROcessing eXecution engine - PROX
- ✓ Virtual Evolved Packet Core- vEPC

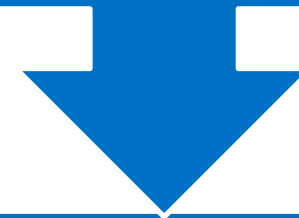
NFVI CHARACTERIZATION

NFVi characterization methodology



NFVi workloads

Workloads should be easy, simple to explain and be able to highlight specific aspect to NFVi (Configuration, OS, Hardware)



Example

L2 Forward

Forward packets after
tagging/ untagging

ACL

Buffering

Test Cases in current NFVI Test Suite

L2 Packet forwarding VNF [Baseline]

Multi-flow L2 Forwarding – 200K flows

L3 Forwarding - packet forwarding modifying MACs

MPLS tagging – protocol conversion, adding/removing MPLS tag, packet length variation

ACL – flow matching Access Control List, complex packet filtering

LB / 5-tuple lookup – 5-tuple based flow matching table lookups for load balancing

Buffering – packet flow buffering for at least 125ms, stresses cache and memory

BNG: ARP, QinQ, LB, Routing, GRE, MPLS

BNG + QoS

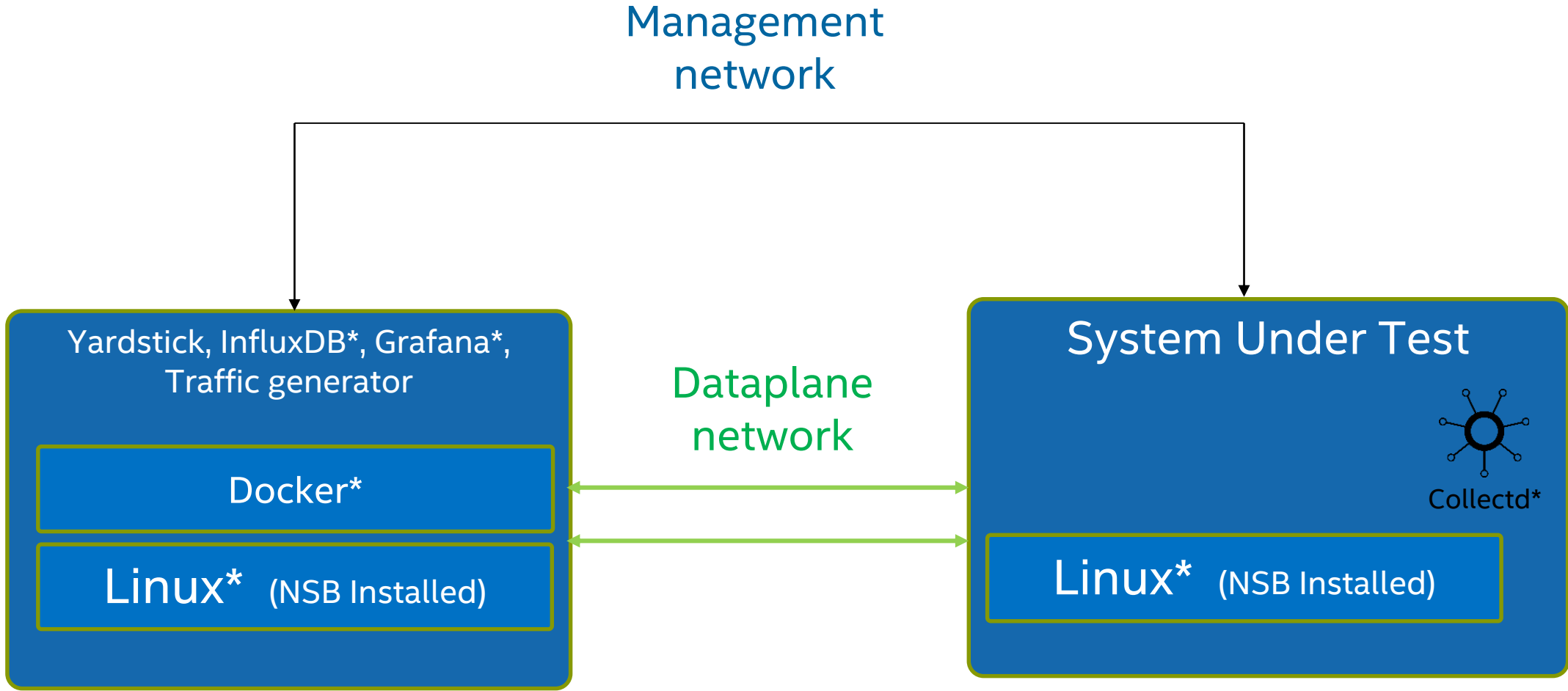
vPE - ACL filtering, flow classification, routing (LPM lookup), metering, policing & marking

lw-AFTR – lightweight Address Family Translation Router: IPv4 <-> IPv6

NFVI CHARACTERIZATION

Configuration files & Test run

Basic Test Setup

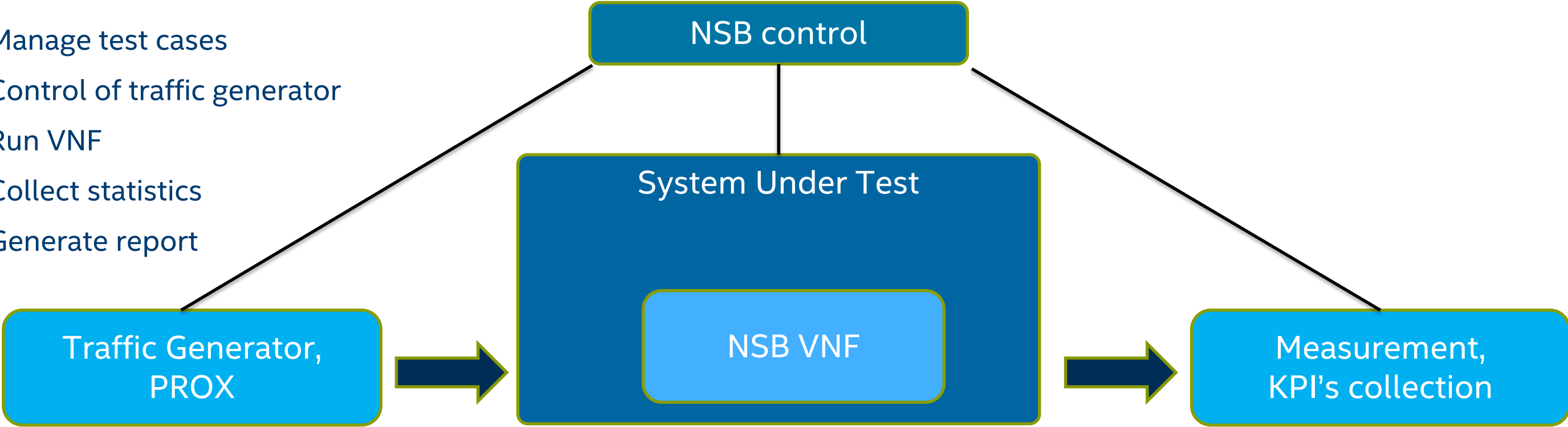


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NFVi test setup

NSB:

- Manage test cases
- Control of traffic generator
- Run VNF
- Collect statistics
- Generate report



Configuration files

Configuration files need to be edited



yardstick.conf – contains the basic configuration of yardstick



prox-baremetal-2.yaml – contains info of SUT and TG



tc_prox_baremetal_l2fwd-2.yaml – contains test configuration

yardstick.conf

```
vim /etc/yardstick/yardstick.conf
```

```
[DEFAULT]
```

```
debug = False
```

```
dispatcher = influxdb
```

```
[dispatcher_http]
```

```
timeout = 5
```

```
target = http://127.0.0.1:8000/results
```

```
[dispatcher_file]
```

```
file_path = /tmp/yardstick.out
```

```
max_bytes = 0
```

```
backup_count = 0
```

```
[dispatcher_influxdb]
```

```
timeout = 5
```

```
target = http://192.168.0.101:8086
```

```
db_name = yardstick
```

```
username = root
```

```
password = rootpassword
```

```
[nsb]
```

```
trex_path = /opt/nsb_bin/trex/scripts
```

```
bin_path = /opt/nsb_bin
```

```
trex_client_lib = /opt/nsb_bin/trex_client/stl
```

Pod configuration file

/home/opnfv/repos/yardstick/samples/vnf_samples/nsut/prox/prox-baremetal-2.yaml

nodes:

-

name: "tg_0"

role: TrafficGen

ip: 1.1.1.1

user: "root"

ssh_port: "22"

password: "rootpassword"

interfaces:

xe0:

vpci: "0000:86:00.0"

local_mac: "3c:fd:fe:bb:cc:dd"

driver: "i40e"

local_ip: "152.16.100.19"

netmask: "255.255.255.0"

dppk_port_num: 0

Configuration test file

```
/home/opnfv/repos/yardstick/samples/vnf_samples/n  
sut
```

```
/prox# tc_prox_baremetal_l2fwd-2.yaml
```

```
traffic_profile: .././traffic_profiles/prox_binsearch.yaml
```

```
topology: prox-tg-topology-2.yaml
```

```
nodes:
```

```
  tg__0: tg_0.yardstick
```

```
  vnf__0: vnf_0.yardstick
```

```
options:
```

```
  vnf__0:
```

```
    prox_path: /opt/nsb_bin/prox
```

```
    prox_config: "configs/handle_l2fwd-2.cfg"
```

```
    prox_args:
```

```
      "-t": ""
```

```
tg__0:
```

```
  prox_path: /opt/nsb_bin/prox
```

```
    prox_config: "configs/gen_l2fwd-2.cfg"
```

```
    prox_args:
```

```
      "-e": ""
```

```
      "-t": ""
```

```
  runner:
```

```
    type: Duration # we kill after duration, independent of test  
    duration, so set this high
```

```
      duration: 300
```

```
  context:
```

```
    type: Node
```

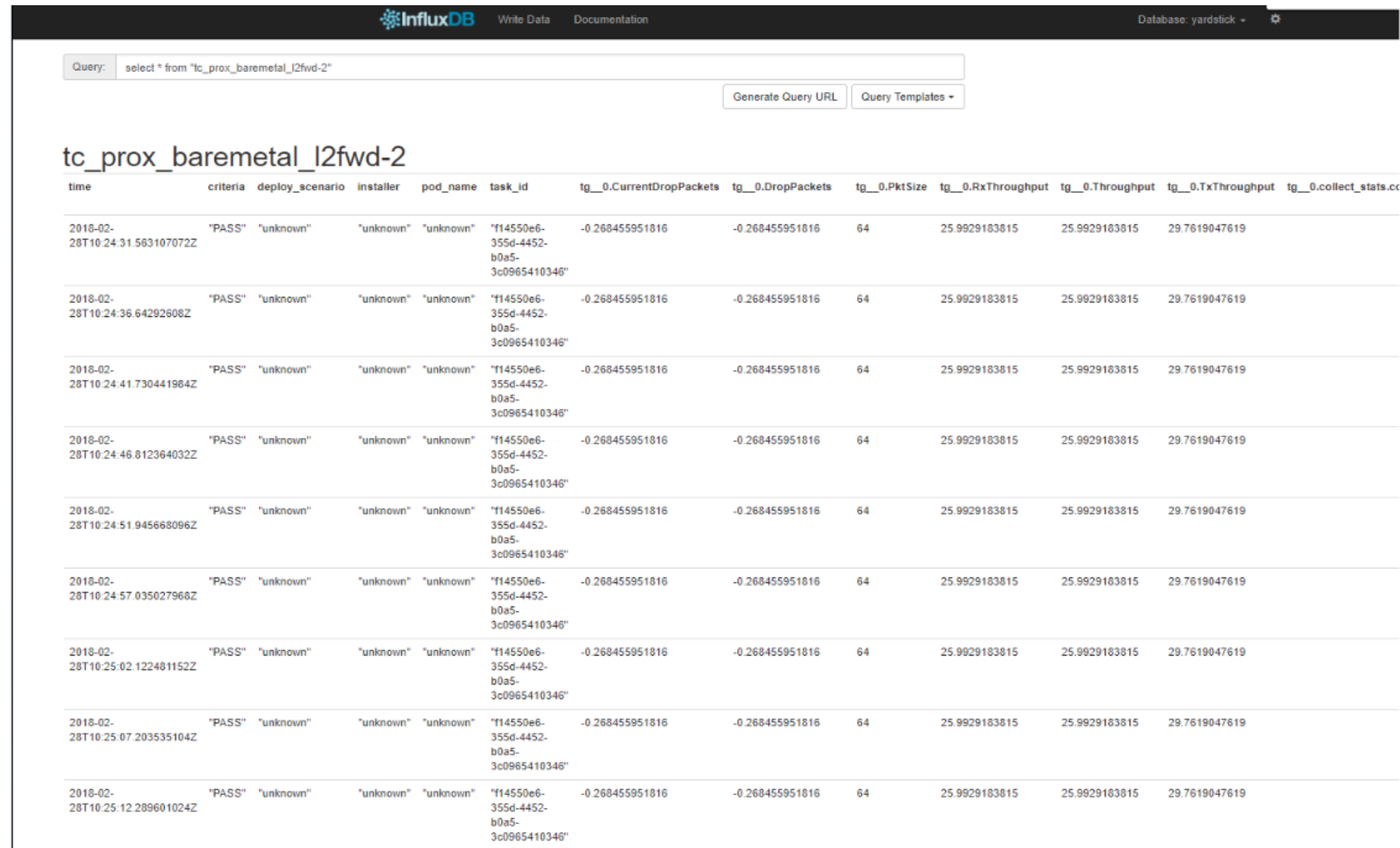
```
    name: yardstick
```

```
    nfvi_type: baremetal
```

```
    file: prox-baremetal-2.yaml
```

InfluxDB example results

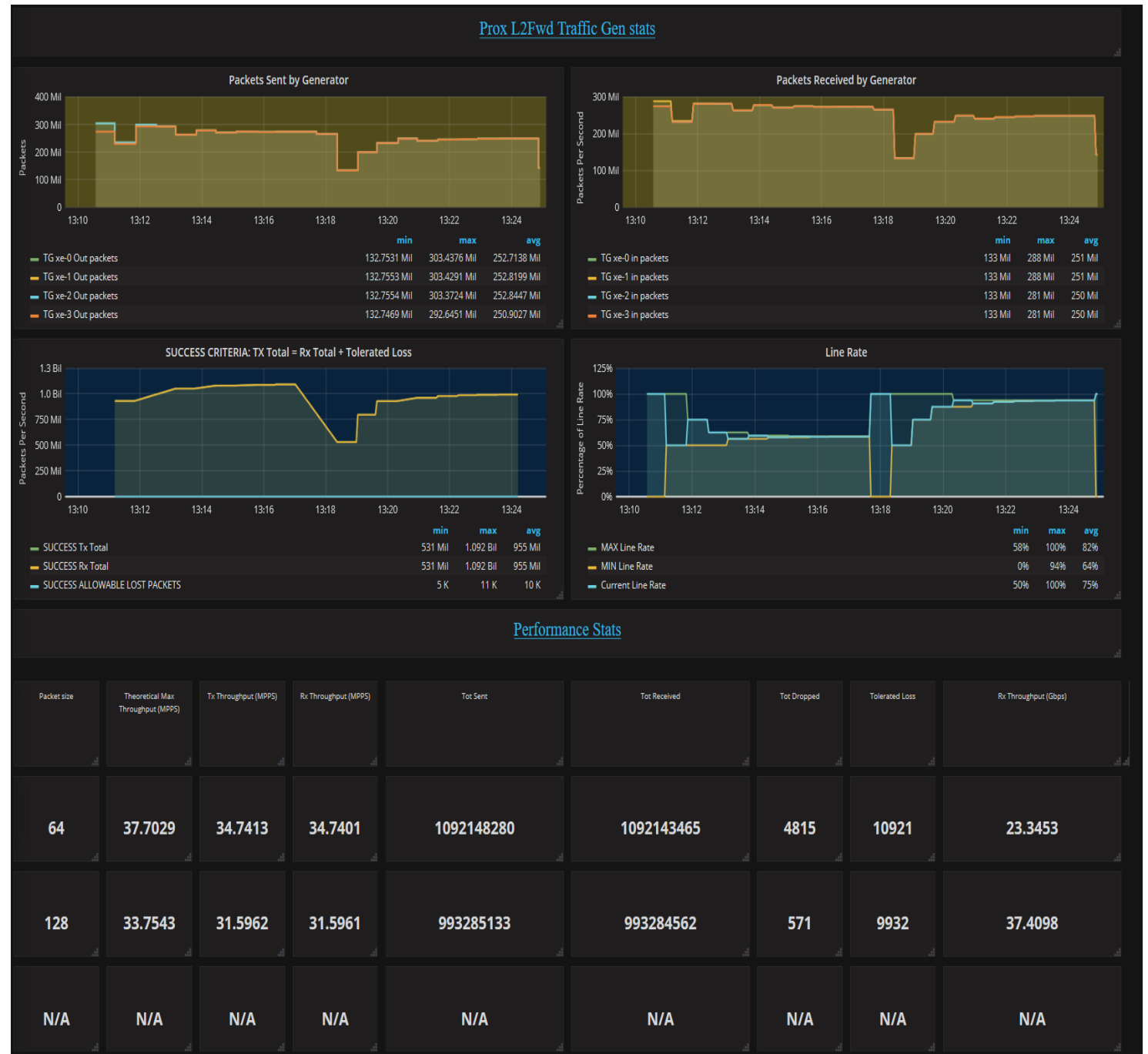
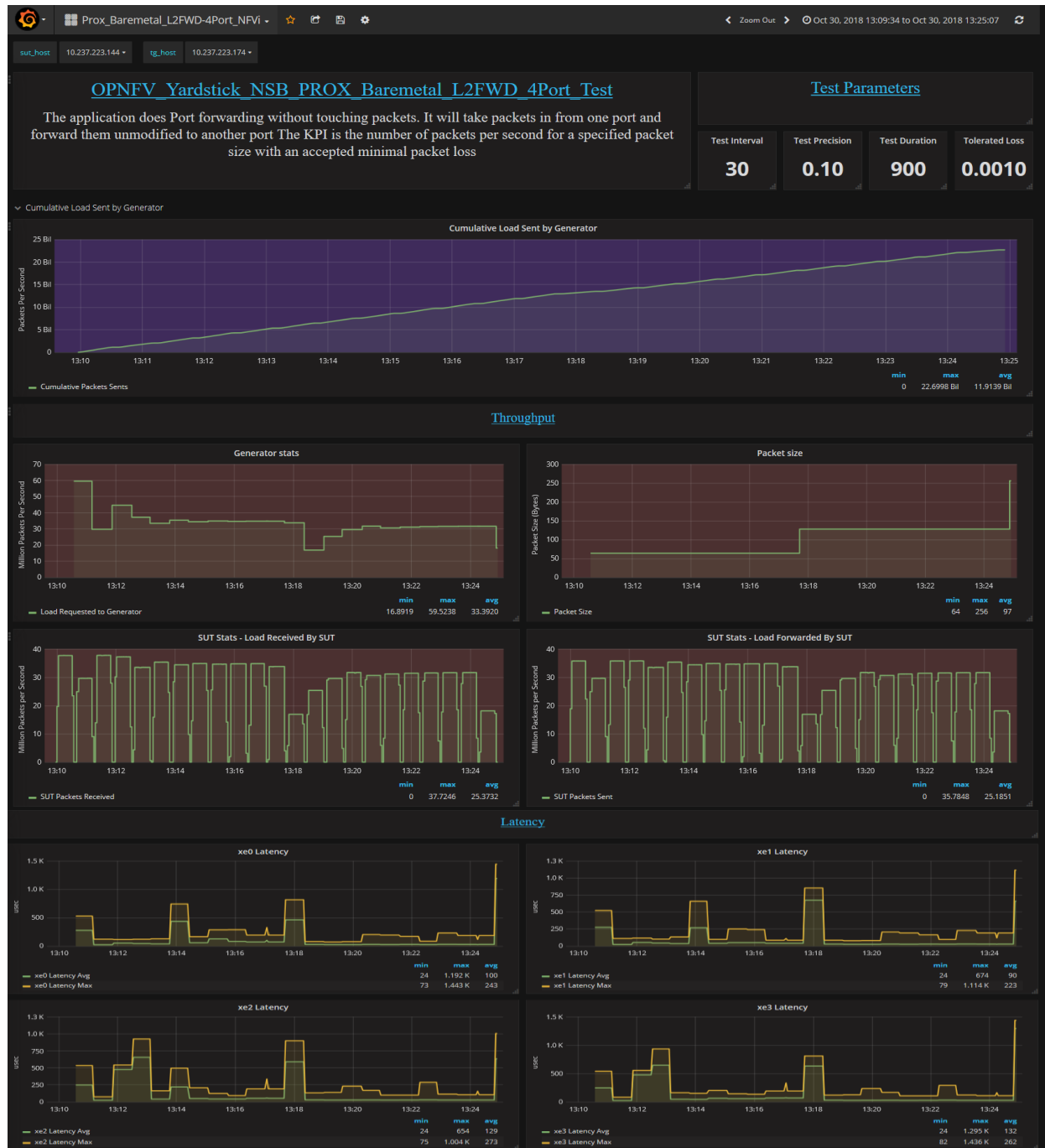
Prox L2 FWD



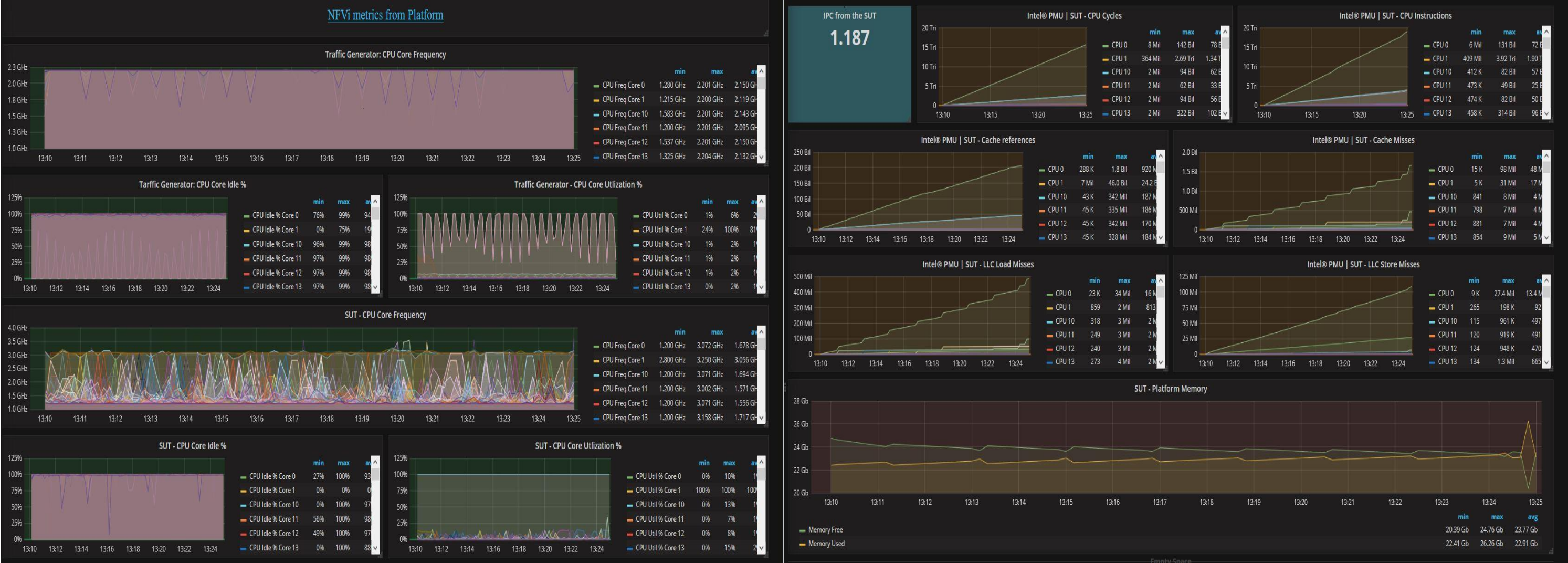
The screenshot shows the InfluxDB interface with a query executed on the 'yardstick' database. The query is 'select * from "tc_prox_baremetal_l2fwd-2"'. The results are displayed as a table with 13 columns. The data shows consistent performance across multiple test runs, with throughput values around 25.99 Gbps and zero drop packets.

time	criteria	deploy_scenario	installer	pod_name	task_id	tg_0.CurrentDropPackets	tg_0.DropPackets	tg_0.PktSize	tg_0.RxThroughput	tg_0.Throughput	tg_0.TxThroughput	tg_0.collect_stats.cc
2018-02-28T10:24:31.563107072Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:24:36.64292608Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:24:41.730441984Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:24:46.812364032Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:24:51.945668096Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:24:57.035027968Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:25:02.122481152Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:25:07.203535104Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	
2018-02-28T10:25:12.289601024Z	"PASS"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"unknown"	"f14550e6-355d-4452-b0a5-3c0965410346"	-0.268455951816	-0.268455951816	64	25.9929183815	25.9929183815	29.7619047619	

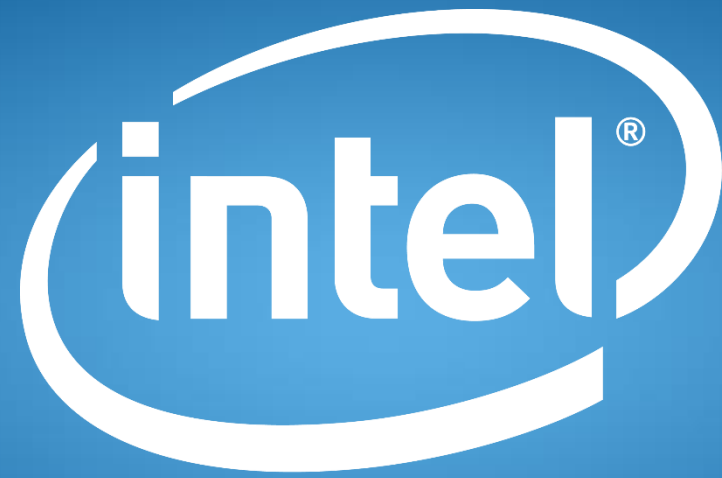
Grafana dashboard: Network Metrics



Grafana dashboard: NFVi Metrics*



* NFVi metrics comes from Collectd, covered by OPNFV Barometer project



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