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1.0 Overview of the Release

This document provides a brief overview of the changes introduced into the Intel® Omni-Path Software by this release. References to more detailed information are provided where necessary. The information contained in this document is intended as supplemental information only; it should be used in conjunction with the documentation provided for each component.

These Release Notes list the features supported in this software release, open issues, and issues that were resolved during release development.

1.1 *Important Information*

Please refer to open issue [STL-47546](#) in [Table 15](#) on page 20 for important information.

1.2 Audience

The information provided in this document is intended for installers, software support engineers, service personnel, and system administrators.

1.3 Software License Agreement

This software is provided under license agreements and may contain third-party software under separate third-party licensing. Please refer to the license files provided with the software for specific details.

1.4 If You Need Help

Technical support for Intel® Omni-Path products is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Please contact Intel Customer Support or visit <http://www.intel.com/omnipath/support> for additional detail.

1.5 Enhancements and New Features in this Release

The following enhancements and features are new in this release:

- New operating systems supported. See [Table 1](#) on page 7 for details.
- Support for yum/zypper integration.
- New cable data collection tool (AOC Health Monitoring via PM).
- Support for libfabric OFI Version 1.6.2.
- Support for Sandia* OpenSHMEM 1.4.2.
- Support for NVIDIA* CUDA* 9.2 and 10.
- Accelerated IPoFabric (AIP) performance improvement for IP routing and general use of IPoIB over Intel® Omni-Path Fabrics.



- Support for AIP provides improved performance for running IPoIB in datagram mode on Intel® Omni-Path fabrics. See the *Intel® Omni-Path IP and LNet Router Design Guide* and *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide* for more details.

1.6 Supported Features

- The list of supported operating systems is in [Table 1](#) on page 7.
- The list of supported hardware is in [Table 6](#) on page 10.
- Product Constraints described in [Product Constraints](#) on page 16.
- Active Optical Cables (AOC). For details, see the Cable Matrix at: <http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/high-performance-computing-fabrics/omni-path-cables.html>
- Support for the Enhanced Hypercube Routing Engine is outside the scope of Intel® OPA support. However, Intel partners may offer such support as part of their solutions. In addition there is an open source community who may be able to answer specific questions and provide guidance with respect to the Enhanced Hypercube Routing Engine.
- Support for Accelerated RDMA, also called Token ID (TID) RDMA, which is a Verbs protocol extension. See [Accelerated RDMA Information](#) on page 17 for details.
- Support for active optical cables (AOC) on server platforms using integrated HFI for OPA (commonly known as "-F").
- Support for GPUDirect* RDMA, which is a technology that enables a direct path for data exchange between a graphics processing unit (GPU) and a third-party peer device using standard features of PCI Express.
- Legacy BIOS Boot Mode Enhancements to support boot over fabric, custom board descriptions, and pre-boot platform configuration data for AOC support.
- Multi-endpoint functionality. See the *Intel® Performance Scaled Messaging 2 (PSM2) Programmer's Guide* for details.
- SNMP MIB support. See the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Release Notes* for details.
- UEFI, TMM, and Firmware Tools delivered as standalone rpms.
- Support for Intel® C/C++ Compiler 18.0
- Intel® OPA support for cgroups.
- Support for multiple virtual fabric security.
- SE Linux PSM2 support with 13 labels.

1.7 Deprecated and Removed Features

- Support for the use of ESM and HSM as redundant pairs (i.e., an ESM as a backup to an HSM and vice versa) in a fabric has been deprecated in this release.
- In the next release, native verbs support in Open MPI (openib BTL) will no longer be maintained. It will be removed from the Open MPI build in IFS.



1.8 Release Packages

There are two Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software packages:

- Basic for compute nodes
- IFS for management nodes

The Basic package includes:

- Software that installs the following packages to the distribution OpenFabrics Alliance* (OFA):
 - hfi1-firmware, libpsm2 (for all RHEL*) and libpsm2-2 (for all SLES* 12 SP3 and newer), hfi1-diagtools-sw
 - Open MPI and MVAPICH2. See [MPI Libraries](#) on page 9 for details.
 - mpitests
 - mpi-selector
 - Sandia* OpenSHMEM
 - Open Fabrics Interface (OFI) libfabric

The IFS package includes the Basic package plus:

- Fabric Manager, which allows comprehensive control of administrative functions using a mature Subnet Manager. Fabric Manager simplifies subnet, fabric, and individual component management, easing the deployment and optimization of large fabrics.
- FastFabric Toolset, which enables rapid, error-free installation and configuration of Intel® OPA host software and management software tools, as well as simplified installation, configuration, validation, and optimization of HPC fabrics.

1.9 Release Compatibility

This release is backwards compatible with the most recent minor release version. For example, Release 10.N is backwards compatible with Release 10.N-1 and Release 10.N-1.x.

1.10 Operating Systems

This release of the Intel® Omni-Path Software supports the operating systems listed in the following table.

Table 1. Supported Operating Systems

Operating System	Update/SP	Kernel Version
Red Hat* Enterprise Linux* (RHEL*) 7.5 X86_64	Update 5	3.10.0-862.el7.x86_64
Red Hat* Enterprise Linux* (RHEL*) 7.6 X86_64	Update 6	3.10.0-948.el7.x86_64
CentOS*-7 (1804) X86_64 (corresponds to RHEL* 7.5)	(1804)	3.10.0-862.el7.x86_64
CentOS*-7 (1810) X86_64 (corresponds to RHEL* 7.6)	(1810)	3.10.0-948.el7.x86_64
Scientific Linux* 7.5 X86_64	Update 5	3.10.0-862.el7.x86_64
Scientific Linux* 7.6 X86_64	Update 6	3.10.0-948.el7.x86_64
<i>continued...</i>		



Operating System	Update/SP	Kernel Version
SUSE* Linux* Enterprise Server (SLES*) 12.2 X86_64	Service Pack 2	4.4.114-92.67_default
SUSE* Linux* Enterprise Server (SLES*) 12.3 X86_64	Service Pack 3	4.4.114-94.14_default
SUSE* Linux* Enterprise Server (SLES*) 15 X86_64		4.12.14-23_default

Table 2. Supported OS by CPU

CPU Type	RHEL*		SLES*			CentOS*		Scientific Linux*	
	7.5	7.6	12.2	12.3	15	7 (1804)	7 (1810)	7.5	7.6
Intel® Xeon Phi™ x200 Product Family (Knights Landing CPU-based servers)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processors (Skylake CPU-based servers)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Intel® Xeon Phi™ Processor (Knights Mill CPU-based servers)	•	•		•	•				
Next Generation Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processors (codename Cascade Lake)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

Notes:

PSM2 GPUDirect* RDMA with CUDA is supported as shown below:

- CUDA Toolkit 9.2 is supported on SLES* 12 SP3.
- CUDA Toolkit 10.0 is supported on RHEL* 7.5 and SLES* 15.
- Intel does not officially support CUDA with RHEL* 7.6 at this time.

1.11 Kernel Modules for hfi1 Driver

This release of the Intel® Omni-Path Software contains the hfi1 driver kernel modules listed in the following table.

Note:

The version number is shown in bold.

Table 3. Kernel Modules for hfi1 Driver

OS	Non-CUDA/CUDA	RPM Version
RHEL* 7.5	Non-CUDA	kmod-ifs-kernel-updates-3.10.0_862.el7.x86_64- 1748 .x86_64.rpm
	CUDA	kmod-ifs-kernel-updates-3.10.0_862.el7.x86_64- 1748cuda .x86_64.rpm
RHEL* 7.6	Non-CUDA	kmod-ifs-kernel-updates-3.10.0_948.el7.x86_64- 1748 .x86_64.rpm
SLES* 12.2	Non-CUDA	ifs-kernel-updates-kmp-default-4.4.114_92.67_default_k4.4.114_92.67- 1748 .x86_64.rpm
	CUDA	ifs-kernel-updates-kmp-default-4.4.114_92.67_default_k4.4.114_92.67- 1748cuda .x86_64.rpm
SLES* 12.3	Non-CUDA	ifs-kernel-updates-kmp-default-4.4.114_94.14_default_k4.4.114_94.14- 1748 .x86_64.rpm
	CUDA	ifs-kernel-updates-kmp-default-4.4.114_94.14_default_k4.4.114_94.14- 1748cuda .x86_64.rpm
SLES* 15	Non-CUDA	ifs-kernel-updates-kmp-default-4.12.14_23_default_k4.12.14_23- 1748 .x86_64.rpm



1.12 Parallel File Systems

The following parallel file systems have been tested with this release of the Intel® Omni-Path Software:

- Lustre* Long Term Support (LTS) release, version 2.10.4
 - on RHEL* 7.5 and SLES* 12 SP3 (via LNET Self Test)
- IBM* Spectrum Scale¹, version 5.0.1.1
 - on RHEL* 7.5 and SLES* 12 SP3

Note: SLES* 15 and RHEL* 7.6 are not supported for IBM* Spectrum Scale and Lustre* in this release.

Refer to the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide* for details on optimizing parallel file system performance with Intel® Omni-Path Software.

1.13 MPI Libraries

In the last release, MPI builds have been reduced to the libraries as listed in [Table 4](#).

Note: The sources for Open MPI and MVAPICH2 are included in the software package. FastFabric provides a simple tool to build these MPIs using the Intel® Compiler (not included in the software package). Refer to *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite FastFabric User Guide*, Rebuilding MPI Library and Tools.

1.13.1 Supported MPI Libraries

The table below lists the different MPI libraries supported by Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software with the corresponding version, fabric support, and compiler used. Note that the second column indicates whether the MPI library is included in the Intel® Omni-Path Software package or not.

Table 4. Supported MPI Libraries

MPI Implementation	Included in Basic Package?	Runs Over	Compiled With
Open MPI 2.1.2	Yes	PSM2, OFI	GCC
Open MPI 2.1.2-cuda	Yes	PSM2	GCC
MVAPICH2-2.3B	Yes	PSM2	GCC
Intel® MPI Library 2018 Update 2	No	PSM2 (via TMI), OFI	N/A
Intel® MPI Library 2019 Initial release	No	PSM2 (via OFI)	N/A
IBM* Spectrum* MPI version 10.1.1.0	No	PSM2	N/A

1.13.2 Compiler Versions and Distributions

The MPI libraries listed in the preceding section that are included in the release and built with PSM2 support were built with the following compiler versions:

1 Formerly known as General Parallel File System (GPFS)

**Table 5. Compiler Versions and Distributions**

Compiler	OS Distribution	Compiler Version
(GNU) gcc	RHEL* 7.5	gcc version 4.8.5 20150623 (Red Hat* 4.8.5-28) (GCC)
(GNU) gcc	RHEL* 7.6	gcc version 4.8.5 20150623 (Red Hat* 4.8.5-36) (GCC)
(GNU) gcc	SLES* 12 SP 2	gcc version 4.8.5 (SUSE* Linux*)
(GNU) gcc	SLES* 12 SP3	gcc version 4.8.5 (SUSE* Linux*)
(GNU) gcc	SLES* 15	gcc version 7.3.1 20180307 (SUSE* Linux*)

Note: Refer to the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Host Software User Guide* for setup information when using Open MPI with the SLURM PMI launcher and PSM2.

1.14 Intel Hardware

The following table lists the Intel hardware supported in this release. The table does not include OEM-specific hardware, such as custom adapters and switches.

Note: The Intel® PSM2 implementation has a limit of four (4) HFIs.

Table 6. Supported Hardware

Hardware	Description
Intel® Xeon® Processor E5-2600 v3 product family	Haswell CPU-based servers
Intel® Xeon® Processor E5-2600 v4 product family	Broadwell CPU-based servers
Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processors	Skylake CPU-based servers
Next Generation Intel® Xeon® Scalable Processors	Cascade Lake CPU-based servers
Intel® Xeon Phi™ x200 Product Family	Knights Landing CPU-based servers
Intel® Xeon Phi™ 72x5 Processor Family	Knights Mill CPU-based servers
Intel® Omni-Path Host Fabric Interface 100HFA016 (x16)	Single Port Host Fabric Interface (HFI)
Intel® Omni-Path Host Fabric Interface 100HFA018 (x8)	Single Port Host Fabric Interface (HFI)
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE48Q	Managed 48-port Edge Switch
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE48U	Externally-managed 48-port Edge Switch
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE48UFH	Externally-managed 48-port Edge Switch, hot-swap power and fans
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE48QFH	Managed 48-port Edge Switch, hot-swap power and fans
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE24Q	Managed 24-port Edge Switch
Intel® Omni-Path Switch 100SWE24U	Externally-managed 24-port Edge Switch
Intel® Omni-Path Director Class Switch 100SWD24	Director Class Switch 100 Series, up to 768 ports
Intel® Omni-Path Director Class Switch 100SWD06	Director Class Switch 100 Series, up to 192 ports

1.15 Switch Firmware

The following firmware is supported for Intel® Omni-Path switches:



- Intel® Omni-Path Switch Firmware 10.8.x revision (managed and externally-managed switches)
- Intel® Omni-Path Switch Firmware 10.7.x revision (managed and externally-managed switches)

Refer to the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Release Notes* for more information.

1.16 Document Versions

The following table lists the end user document versions supported by this release.

Table 7. Supported Document Versions

Title	Doc. Number	Revision
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Quick Start Guide</i>	J57479	6.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Setup Guide</i>	J27600	10.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Hardware Installation Guide</i>	H76456	7.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Host Fabric Interface Installation Guide</i>	H76466	5.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide</i>	H76467	11.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches GUI User Guide</i>	H76457	10.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Command Line Interface Reference Guide</i>	H76458	10.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite FastFabric User Guide</i>	H76469	11.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite Fabric Manager User Guide</i>	H76468	11.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite Fabric Manager GUI User Guide</i>	H76471	11.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Host Software User Guide</i>	H76470	11.0
<i>Intel® Performance Scaled Messaging 2 (PSM2) Programmer's Guide</i>	H76473	11.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide</i>	H93143	13.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path IP and LNet Router Design Guide</i> (Old title: <i>Intel® Omni-Path IP and Storage Router Design Guide</i>)	H99668	8.0
<i>Building Containers for Intel® Omni-Path Fabrics using Docker* and Singularity* Application Note</i>	J57474	6.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Management API Programmer's Guide</i>	J68876	4.0
<i>Configuring Non-Volatile Memory Express* (NVMe*) over Fabrics on Intel® Omni-Path Architecture Application Note</i>	J78967	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Release Notes</i>	K38338	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Manager GUI Release Notes</i>	K38339	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Release Notes</i> (includes managed and externally-managed switches)	K38337	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) Release Notes</i>	K21145	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Thermal Management Microchip (TMM) Release Notes</i>	K21147	1.0
<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Firmware Tools Release Notes</i>	K21148	1.0

Related Links

[Intel Omni-Path Documentation Library](#) on page 24



1.17 Installation Requirements

1.17.1 Software and Firmware Requirements

Table 1 on page 7 lists the operating systems supported by this release. For the required packages, refer to [OS RPMs Installation Prerequisites](#).

1.17.2 OS RPMs Installation Prerequisites

Ensure that the following requirements are met prior to installing the software.

- In addition to normal OS installation options, OS RPMs must be installed before you can install the Intel® Omni-Path software.
- Refer to the applicable section below to verify that all required RPMs are installed for the specific version of your OS distribution.
- Depending on the packages you choose, there may be additional prerequisites. For additional information, refer to the Release Notes for your specific release and installation type.

Red Hat* Enterprise Linux* OS RPMs

The tables below list the RPMs for each supported RHEL* release.

Notes:

- Some RHEL* rpms are available in Server-Optional repository. Please install the RHEL* Server-Optional version from Red Hat* which contains additional, required development packages.
- Rdma-ndd is part of rdma-core.

Table 8. RHEL* 7.5 Distribution RPMs

IB/OPA Centric	System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
ibacm	atlas	ncurses-libs	bash	expat-devel
infinipath-psm	bc	numactl-libs	irqbalance	json-c-devel
libibcm	coreutils	openssl	kernel	libnl3-devel
libibmad	expat	openssl-devel	kmod	libpfm
libibumad	expect	openssl-libs	libgcc	libuuid-devel
libibverbs	gcc-gfortran	pciutils	perl	numactl-devel
libnl3	glibc	redhat-rpm-config	perl-Getopt-Long	opensm-libs
librdmacm	json-c	rpm-build	perl-Socket	openssl-devel (1.0.1 or higher)
opensm-libs	kernel-devel	sqlite	pkgconfig	sqlite-devel
perftest	libgfortran	sysfsutils	python	valgrind-devel
qperf	libgomp	tcl	systemd	
rdma-core	libquadmath	tcsh		
rdma-core-devel	libstdc++	zlib		
	libstdc++-devel			

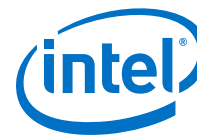


Table 9. RHEL* 7.6 Distribution RPMs

IB/OPA Centric	System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
ibacm	atlas	ncurses-libs	bash	expat-devel
infinipath-psm	bc	numactl-libs	irqbalance	json-c-devel
libibumad	coreutils	openssl	kernel	libnl3-devel
libibverbs	expat	openssl-devel	kmod	libpfm
libnl3	expect	openssl-libs	libgcc	libuuid-devel
librdmacm	gcc-gfortran	pciutils	perl	numactl-devel
opensm-libs	glibc	redhat-rpm-config	perl-Getopt-Long	opensm-libs
perftest	json-c	rpm-build	perl-PathTools	openssl-devel (1.0.1 or higher)
qperf	kernel-devel	sqlite	perl-Socket	sqlite-devel
rdma-core	libgfortran	sysfsutils	pkgconfig	valgrind-devel
rdma-core-devel	libgomp	tcl	python	
	libquadmath	tclsh	systemd	
	libstdc++	zlib	systemd-libs	
	libstdc++-devel			

SUSE* Linux* Enterprise Server OS RPMs

The tables below list the RPMs for each supported SLES* release.

Note: Some SLES* rpms are available in SLES* Software Development Kit (SDK). Please install the SLES* SDK iso from SUSE* which contains additional, required development packages.

Table 10. SLES* 12.2 Distribution RPMs

IB/OPA Centric	OPA/System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
ibacm	bc	libnuma1	bash	ibacm-devel
libibcm1	coreutils	libopenssl1_0_0	glibc	infinipath-psm-devel
libibmad5	expect	libopenssl-devel	grep	libexpat-devel
libibnetdisc5	gcc-fortran	libquadmath0	irqbalance	libibumad-devel
libibumad3	kernel-devel	libudev1	kmod	libibverbs-devel
libibumad-devel	kernel-syms	libudev-devel	libedit0	libjson-c-devel
libibverbs1	libexpat1	libz1	libgcc_s1	libopenssl-devel (1.0.1 or higher)
libibverbs-devel	libgfortran3	openssl	libglib-2_0-0	librdmacm-devel
libnl3-200	libgomp1	rpm-build	libsqlite3	libuuid-devel
libpsm_infinipath1	libhfi1verbs-rdmav2	sqlite3	libstdc++6	opensm-libs3
librdmacm1	libjson-c2	tcl	perl	sqlite3-devel

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IB/OPA Centric	OPA/System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
mpi-selector	libncurses5	tcsh	perl-base	valgrind-devel
opensm-devel			pkg-config	
opensm-libs3			python-base	
perftest			systemd	
qperf			udev	
rdma				

Table 11. SLES* 12.3 Distribution RPMs

IB/OPA Centric	System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
ibacm	bc	libopenssl1_0_0	bash	libexpat-devel
libibcm1	expect	libopenssl-devel	coreutils	libjson-c-devel
libibmad5	gcc-fortran	libquadmath0	glibc	libnuma-devel
libibumad3	kernel-devel	libsqlite3	grep	libopenssl-devel (1.0.1 or higher)
libibverbs1	kernel-syms	libudev-devel	irqbalance	libuuid-devel
libnl3-200	libexpat1	libz1	kmod	opensm-libs3
libpsm_infinipath1	libgfortran3	openssl	libedit0	sqlite3-devel
librdmacm1	libgomp1	rpm-build	libgcc_s1	valgrind-devel
mpi-selector	libjson-c2	sqlite3	libstdc++6	
opensm-devel	libncurses5	tcl	libudev1	
opensm-libs3	libnuma1	tcsh	perl	
perftest			perl-base	
qperf			pkg-config	
rdma-core			python-base	
rdma-core-devel			systemd	
rdma-ndd			udev	

Table 12. SLES* 15 Distribution RPMs

IB/OPA Centric	System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
ibacm	bc	libopenssl1_1	bash	kernel-devel
libibmad5	coreutils	libopenssl-devel	glibc	libexpat-devel
libibumad3	expect	libosmcomp3	grep	libjson-c-devel
libibverbs1	gcc-fortran	libquadmath0	irqbalance	libnuma-devel
libnl3-200	kernel-devel	libsqlite3	kmod	libopenssl-devel (1.0.1 or higher)
libpsm_infinipath1	kernel-syms	libudev-devel	libedit0	libuuid-devel

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IB/OPA Centric	System Centric		Other/Generally Installed	Build Requirements
libquadmath0	libexpat1	libz1	libgcc_s1	opensm-libs3
librdmacm1	libgfortran4	openssl	libncurses5	sqlite3-devel
libverbs1	libgomp1	rpm-build	libstdc++6	valgrind-devel
mpi-selector	libjson-c3	sqlite3	perl	
opensm-devel	libncurses6	tcl	perl-base	
opensm-libs3	libnuma1	tcsh	pkg-config	
perftest			python-base	
qperf			systemd	
rdma-core			udev	
rdma-core-devel				
rdma-ndd				

Example

The example below shows the install of a group of OS RPMs on a RHEL* OS server. Not all required OS RPMs are included in this example and some OS RPMs in this example might not be needed.

```
# yum install libibmad libibverbs librdmacm libibcm qperf perftest
rdma infinipath-psm expat libstdc++-devel gcc-gfortran atlas tcl expect
tcsh sysfsutils pciutils bc libibumad libibumad-devel libibumad
libibumad-devel libibverbs-devel libibmad-devel librdmacm-devel ibacm-devel
openssl-devel libuuid-devel expat-devel infinipath-psm-devel valgrind-devel
libgnome libibverbs* opensm-libs libhfi1 ncurses-devel hwloc hwloc-gui
```

Intel recommends that you build your own list of OS RPMs for installation.

1.17.3 Installation Instructions

There are two Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software packages:

- IntelOPA-IFS.<distro>-x86_64.<version>.tgz for the management node.
- IntelOPA-Basic.<distro>-x86_64.<version>.tgz for compute nodes.

The packages in the tgz file are RPMs. Installing individual RPMs is not supported in this release.

Refer to the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide* for related software requirements and complete installation procedures. Refer to the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Hardware Installation Guide* for related firmware requirements.

1.17.4 Installation Path Changes in Release 10.4 (and later)

If you are upgrading an Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software installation (Release 10.3 or earlier), Intel recommends that you perform the following steps before upgrading, due to changes in installation paths for RPMs and configuration files.

Run `./INSTALL -u` to uninstall existing packages.



Run `./INSTALL -a` to complete the installation.

Pre-existing configuration files are automatically saved by the RPM as `.rpmsave` files. (RPM will notify you about these files during removal.) If you want to keep these configuration files, you should move them to their new locations. A mapping of old configuration file locations to new locations is shown in the following table.

Old Location (Release 10.3 and earlier)	New Location (Release 10.4 and later)
<code>/etc/sysconfig/opafm.xml</code>	<code>/etc/opa-fm/opafm.xml</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/allhosts</code>	<code>/etc/opa/allhosts</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/chassis</code>	<code>/etc/opa/chassis</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/esm_chassis</code>	<code>/etc/opa/esm_chassis</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/hosts</code>	<code>/etc/opa/hosts</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/opafastfabric.conf</code>	<code>/etc/opa/opafastfabric.conf</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/opaff.xml</code>	<code>/etc/opa/opaff.xml</code> Changed to <code>/etc/opa/opamgt_tls.xml</code> in 10.7.
<code>/etc/sysconfig/opamon.conf</code>	<code>/etc/opa/opamon.conf</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/ports</code>	<code>/etc/opa/ports</code>
<code>/etc/sysconfig/switches</code>	<code>/etc/opa/switches</code>

1.18 Product Constraints

- Power class 2 AOC are supported. You must use 10.5 (or newer) host software and 1.5 (or newer) UEFI for proper operation. Integrated HFI (-F) requires a specific BIOS level to support power class 2 AOC; contact your BIOS vendor for more information.

1.19 Product Limitations

This release has the following product limitations:

- The embedded version of the Fabric Manager supports a maximum of 100 HFI ports involving less than 20 switch ASICs. Calculate the number of switch ASICs in your fabric as follows:
 - One ASIC per Intel® Omni-Path Edge Switch 100 Series
 - Two ASICs per Intel® Omni-Path Director Class Switch 100 Series Leaf module
 - Two ASICs per Intel® Omni-Path Director Class Switch 100 Series Spine module

- Performance Administration (PA) Failover should **not** be enabled with FMs running on differing software versions.

To disable PA failover, edit the `/etc/sysconfig/opafm.xml` file and in the `<Pm>` section, change `<ImageUpdateInterval>` to 0.

- Enabling UEFI Optimized Boot on some platforms can prevent the HFI UEFI driver from loading during boot. To prevent this, do not enable UEFI Optimized Boot.



1.20 Accelerated RDMA Information

Accelerated RDMA is a Verbs protocol extension to improve the performance of RDMA write and RDMA read operations on Intel® Omni-Path hardware.

This extension improves the efficiency of large message transfers to provide performance benefits for storage protocols and other Verbs-based protocols. The benefits include increased achievable bandwidth with reduced CPU utilization. The Token ID (TID) RDMA protocol accelerates the OpenFabrics Alliance* (OFA) Verbs API with no changes required to API consumers. The acceleration technique is performed by the host driver and the application running over the OFA Verbs API does not need to make any code change.

Accelerated RDMA is off by default.

To enable it, add `cap_mask=0x4c09a01cbba` to the `/etc/modprobe.d/hfi1.conf` file. Instructions on how to do this are in the *Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide*, Setting HFI1 Driver Parameters section.

Note: It is not necessary to enable Accelerated RDMA on all nodes in a cluster. The performance effects of enabling Accelerated RDMA on a subset of nodes has not been characterized. It is highly recommended that you test to see if enabling this feature works best for your applications.



2.0 Issues

This section lists the resolved and open issues in the Intel® Omni-Path Software.

2.1 Resolved Issues

2.1.1 Issues Resolved in this Release

The following table lists issues that are resolved in this release.

Table 13. Issues Resolved in this Release

ID	Description	Resolved in Release
132207	Kernel crash caused by the ib_srpt module.	10.9.0
139743 143031 143115	Under a very heavy load through the IPoIB interface, the kernel warning <code>NETDEV WATCHDOG: ib0 (hfil): transmit queue 0 timed out</code> , followed by the messages <code>queue stopped 1, tx_head xxx, tx_tail xxx</code> and <code>transmit timeout: latency xxxx msecs</code> may be seen.	10.9.0
143296	When <code>irqbalance</code> uses the argument <code>--hintpolicy=exact</code> , it applies the policy of setting the hardware interrupts to CPU core mappings according to device drivers preferences. For the HFI1 driver, it is strongly recommended to preserve interrupt locality for low latency and high bandwidth by having a dedicated CPU core per interrupt.	10.9.0
144996	Running workloads with more than 78 ranks with the Open MPI OFI MTL over OFI Verbs/OFI_RXM provider may result in a hang with message sizes larger than 65 KB.	10.9.0
145415	ESM hangs after the first sweep in a configuration that includes all <code><VirtualFabric></code> sections that are enabled and with <code>QOS =1</code> , where <code><BaseSL></code> is defined in all with values other than 0. Symptoms of this hang are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SA or PA queries to ESM time out (e.g., <code>opareport</code> fails with <code>FTIMEOUT</code>) SM does not resweep after <code>SweepInterval</code>, multicast membership change, or fabric change <code>smControl</code> shutdown is issued but ESM never reaches stopped state 	10.9.0
145474	OFI Verbs <code>mpi_stress</code> may cause verbs/MSG provider completion queue overrun that results in dropped completions. They show up as sequence errors in the test.	10.9.0
145585	SLES* 15 <code>./INSTALL</code> script does not properly run <code>dracut -f</code> .	10.9.0
145623	For systems running on SLES* 15, there is a known issue with <code>irqbalance</code> .	10.9.0
145855	If the Admin VF is not running on VL0, the HSM may get into a state where it is unable to talk to the fabric. The sweep will log the following errors: <pre> opamgt ERROR: [<pid>] omgt_send_mad2: send failed; Invalid argument, agent id 2 MClass 0x81 method 0x1 attrId 0x11 attrM 0x0 WARN [topology]: SM: sm_send_stl_request_impl: Error Sending to Path:[1] Lid:[0xffffffff] [Can't find node in topology!]. AID:[NODEINFO] TID:[0x0000000000000031] Status:[OK (0x00000000)] WARN [topology]: SM: topology_main: TT: too many errors during sweep, will re-sweep in a few seconds rc: 108: unrecoverable error </pre>	10.9.0

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ID	Description	Resolved in Release
146271	When using libpsm2 with PSM2_CUDA=1, workloads may assert() during MPI_Recv or MPI_collective operations where the source buffer is a GPU buffer and located on the same node, i.e., intranode transfer. The destination buffer locality has no influence. This assert() will only affect transfers that are not aligned to the start of the source buffer.	10.9.0
146456	In a fabric with only one Edge switch using the fat tree routing algorithm, a port can get stuck in the Init (LinkUp) state after the port is bounced.	10.9.0
STL-46606 STL-47956 STL-48661	Bouncing a link or rebooting a device under certain fabric conditions may cause a switch in the fabric to be removed from the Fabric Manager's internal view of the topology leading to fabric disruptions and instability.	10.9.0
STL-46790	In cases where GSI services are active and the FM is receiving capability change traps (common after node reboots), FM responsiveness may be impacted. This could result in data traffic disruption or unexpected FM failovers. GSI traffic would include the PM, SA, and DBSync (FM failover).	10.9.0

2.1.2 Issues Resolved in Prior Releases

The following table lists issues that were resolved in prior releases.

Table 14. Issues Resolved in Prior Releases

ID	Description	Resolved in Release
135981 143631	In RHEL 7.3, irqbalance spams messages every ten seconds with snippet below. The HFI driver sets affinity and the Omni Fabric install sets /etc/sysconfig/irqbalance to use exact. <code>IRQBALANCE_ARGS= --hintpolicy=exact</code> Irq balancer scans the <code>isolcpus</code> and <code>nohz_full</code> kernel masks and adds the corresponding CPUs to the <code>banned_cpus</code> mask. This works fine for valid masks, but not for the default, empty masks. In this case, when they read from the <code>sysfs</code> they return empty strings, "\n" or "0x0, \n" <i>Note:</i> RHEL* 7.3 is no longer supported.	10.8
136432	Certain perfest tools such as <code>ib_write_bw</code> do not work on RHEL* 7.3 when using the RDMA CM with UD QPs. <i>Note:</i> RHEL* 7.3 is no longer supported.	10.8
140797 141558 141852 142476	When installing an IFS tar package on a server where the OS-resident OPA software has been installed, the installation may fail to properly update all the RPMs. This is due to the use of Epoch tagging on the OS-resident OPA software which makes the OS-resident RPMs appear to be newer than RPMs in the IFS tar package.	10.8
141263	The GUPS application that is included as part of Sandia Open Shmem apps may fail with more than 1% of error when executed with more than four PEs. <i>Note:</i> GUPS does not use atomic XOR operations given they are not supported in the OpenShmem specification, version 1.3. This is addressed in version 1.4.	10.8
141636	During the Intel OPA installation, the ramdisk may be rebuilt multiple times; however, only the last build is necessary.	10.8
141586	Using SLES* 12 SP2 and SP3, <code>INSTALL -a</code> fails due to dependency issues. The following information to resolve this issue has been added to the <i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide</i> , OS RPMs Installation Prerequisites section: "Prior to installing Intel OPA, install the SLES SDK iso from SUSE which contains additional, required development packages."	10.8
141793	Use of a static buffer could produce an incorrect device name (<code>hfi1_x</code>) in <code>dmesg</code> logging.	10.8

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ID	Description	Resolved in Release
142330	MPI applications that leverage the PSM2 library's access to the HFI ASICs Memory Mapped IO and that access the MMIO directly (not via PSM2) can potentially cause an "unsupported opcode" error which some servers handle as a critical error. <i>Note:</i> A side effect of this issue is that the hf1 driver automatically masks the AER Unsupported Request error for the OPA1 HFI device.	10.8
143311	During UEFI pre-boot with the connected switch running 10.7.0.0.134, the OPA link may not complete initialization if the link is bounced or restarted. This behavior is limited to the pre-boot period. There is no exposure once Linux boot has completed.	10.8
143449	PM will scroll LQI=0 and Integrity Exceeded Threshold logs when an additional VF with QoS enabled and a device group that is not "All". <i>Note:</i> This issue does not occur when running against the default opafm.xml configuration file.	10.8
143915	When specific messages that are of non-double word length (not 4 B) and less than 1 MTU in size (10,240 B in most configurations) are sent, they may never complete, causing an application to wait indefinitely. <i>Note:</i> This issue occurs on machines with more than 28 CPU cores (not including hyper-threads) or more than 28 HFI contexts enabled per Intel® Omni-Path HFI.	10.8
144165	Nodes unable to ping on IPoIB. <i>Note:</i> This issue occurs when a host port disappears and reappears from the FM's topology (usually due discovery timeout or major fabric disruption), while the port remains ACTIVE the entire time. This results in the host port not being a member of the IP multicast groups. The primary symptom is the inability to resolve IP addresses via ARP.	10.8
144795	ESM assigns invalid MLIDs. IPoIB and other applications that use multicast will not function correctly with invalid MLIDs.	10.8
145399 146088	Using the <code>./INSTALL -i</code> command results in errors due to missing dependencies.	10.8
145917	As required by the System Management Bus (SMBus) specification, when the Bus is idle for less than 50 μ s, the HFI card pulls the Bus into low voltage. However, the Bus does not remain in low voltage for a long enough interval.	10.8

2.2 Open Issues

The following table lists the open issues for this release.

Table 15. Open Issues

ID	Description	Workaround
129563 (STL-47095)	Memory allocation errors with MVAPICH2-2.1/Verbs.	<p><i>Note:</i> To avoid this issue, use MPIs over PSM. If you are using MPIs over verbs, the following workaround is required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When running MVAPICH2 jobs with a large number of ranks (for example, > 36 ranks but \leq 72 ranks), you must set the following parameters in <code>/etc/security/limits.conf</code>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> hard memlock unlimited soft memlock unlimited Also, you must increase the <code>lkey_table_size:LKEY</code> table size in bits (2^n, where $1 \leq n \leq 23$) from its default of 16 to 17. For instructions on setting <p style="text-align: right;">continued...</p>



ID	Description	Workaround
		module parameters, refer to the <i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide</i> , HFI1 Driver Module Parameters chapter.
134819	In KNL-F EFI shell, the command <code>ifconfig -l</code> does not correctly display the IP address after being assigned via DHCP.	Launch a newer version of the EFI shell from the embedded shell.
135028	NVMe over Fabric Protocol is only supported on Intel® OPA with Linux* kernel 4.5 and later versions.	To use NVMe functionality on Intel® OPA, you must patch the kernel.
135830 (STL-46193)	On Intel® Xeon Phi™ systems, failure observed during software upgrade when rebuilding the boot image. Error message contains: Rebuilding boot image with "/usr/bin/dracut -f"	Install parallel gzip (pigz) and make it the default compression tool prior to upgrading the software.
136822	The Intel UEFI driver contained in the server BIOS must be executed for proper support of Active Optical Cables (AOC) in an integrated HFI environment. Some BIOS do not execute the UEFI in Legacy BIOS Boot mode, and there are BIOS configuration settings that may prevent the UEFI from executing in any mode.	Avoid the use of Legacy BIOS boot mode if your platform does not execute the HFI driver in that mode. Avoid BIOS settings or other configuration settings that do not execute the HFI driver during boot.
139368	Some applications compiled with older compilers may use a personality bit that signifies that READ should imply EXECUTE permissions. To improve system security, the hfi1 driver does not allow execute permissions on PSM memory maps. Therefore, applications that use READ implies EXECUTE will fail to run.	As root, run the <code>execstack</code> tool to clear the executable bit on the binary: <code>execstack -c <binary></code> Alternatively, recompile the binary to not set this personality bit.
139613	The Subsystem Vendor and Subsystem Device ID in the PCI configuration space of Intel® Omni-Path discrete HFI cards may not indicate the correct OEM vendor and device. As a result, the <code>lspci</code> command may show incorrect Subsystem Vendor and Device ID information. This issue affects Intel server boards for Intel® Xeon® Processor v3 and v4 Product Family configured in Legacy OS boot mode.	Reconfigure the system from Legacy OS boot mode to UEFI boot mode.
139995	When installing Intel® Omni-Path Software on a clean system (with no prior versions installed), the following error message may be displayed: <code>cat: //etc/opa/version_delta: No such file or directory</code>	This message can be safely ignored. The installer is looking for an IFS version file before it has been created on the system. The installation is not impacted.
141005	In 10.8, the output of the module parameter <code>num_user_contexts</code> has been changed. The value of the module parameter <code>num_user_context</code> used at driver init time determines the number of receive contexts reserved for PSM. The default value of -1 caused the driver init sequence to determine how many CPUs are available, and assigned the context count to that value. <i>It would then update the module parameter <code>num_user_contexts</code> with that value.</i> This incorrect behavior has been fixed. <code>num_user_contexts</code> is no longer updated.	Do not use <code>num_user_contexts</code> to determine how many context can be used. To determine the number of available user contexts, refer to the sysfs file: <code>/sys/class/infiniband/hfi1_<port>/nctxts</code>
143174 (STL-47003) STL-47578	Due to a SLES* 15 kernel setting, <code>hfidiaags</code> cannot work while the HFI driver is loaded. The tool and driver are mutually exclusive.	Boot the kernel with <code>iomem=relaxed</code> . This turns off the resource exclusivity check.

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ID	Description	Workaround
145771	Due to changes in the SLES* 15 kernel, a user space application cannot access a hardware resource if that resource is being used by a kernel driver. The result is that the hfi1_eprom cannot access the EEPROM on an HFI when hfi1 kernel driver is using the device.	Perform the following workaround: 1. Unload hfi1 kernel driver: <code>rmmmod hfi1</code> 2. Run hfi1_eprom commands. 3. Reload hfi1 kernel driver: <code>modprobe hfi1</code>
STL-43764	An FM running on SLES* 12.3 on certain older CPUs may experience instability due to a CPU hardware errata.	Follow instructions provided by SUSE to disable hardware lock elision at: https://www.suse.com/support/kb/doc/?id=7022289
STL-46211 STL-47907	For SLES OSeS, when IPoIB is enabled and working, the IFS INSTALL erroneously displays IPoIB as "disabled". When the IFS is upgraded, this display error causes the INSTALL to disable IPoIB in order to keep the same configuration.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For a fresh installation: Turn on IPoIB as part of the installation steps found in the <i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide</i>. IPoIB will work; ignore the "disabled" text displayed on INSTALL TUI. For an upgrade: Turn on IPoIB after the upgrade no matter if IPoIB was enabled or not in the previous version. Refer to the <i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide</i>.
STL-46789	SLES 12.2 shipped with an old version ibacm that does not include the unit file. Since IFS INSTALL relies on systemd to turn on/off services, enabling ibacm with IFS INSTALL fails.	Manually create the <code>ibacm.service</code> file.
STL-47546	When an ISL goes down in the middle of an FM sweep (due to a disruption in the fabric such as a reboot), the SA copy of topology becomes invalid when the Fattree routing algorithm is used. SA queries that use this topology (e.g., path record query) fail. <i>Note:</i> A path record query failure can be seen in FM log as "INVALID TOPOLOGY" messages. The issue will resolve after the FM's next successful sweep.	To avoid this issue, use the Shortestpath routing algorithm instead of Fattree.
STL-47571	Since libfabric 1.6 (which is included in IFS 10.8), the psm2 provider maps OFI endpoints directly to HFI contexts instead of multiplexing multiple OFI endpoints to a single HFI context. This relies on the multi-EP feature of the PSM2 library and thus the provider automatically sets <code>PSM2_MULTI_EP=1</code> if it has not been set. However, enabling the multi-EP feature also disables context sharing. As the result, applications may experience the following runtime error when trying to oversubscribe CPU cores (which is usually the same as available HFI contexts). <pre>hfi_userinit: assign_context command failed: Device or resource busy PSM2 can't open hfi unit: -1 (err=23)</pre> <i>Note:</i> Applications that don't use libfabric are not affected.	Set <code>PSM2_MULTI_EP=0</code> . <i>Note:</i> This only works for applications that open only one OFI endpoint per process.
STL-48921	If you attempt to unload or restart the hfi1 driver while the <code>ib_ipoib</code> driver is loaded, it may fail with a message similar to this: <code>modprobe: FATAL: Module hfi1 is in use</code>	To avoid this issue, unload the <code>ib_ipoib</code> driver before unloading or restarting the hfi1 driver.
STL-49210	For RHEL* 7.5 and newer and SLES* 15, SLES* 12.4 and newer, when Accelerated IP (AIP) is disabled and IPoFabric is configured in datagram mode, no bulk	Enable AIP or reduce the locally configured <code>ib0</code> MTU size to a size that default IPoFabric can support (e.g., 4092 bytes).

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ID	Description	Workaround
	traffic will occur if the configured ib0 MTU size is larger than what default (non-AIP) IPoFabric can support.	
STL-49313	On OS versions (RHEL* 7.5 and newer and SLES* 15, SLES* 12.4 and newer) where it is available, configuring IPoIB module parameter ipoib_enhanced=0 disables AIP on same node.	To run with AIP, ensure enhanced IPoIB is enabled (ipoib_enhanced=1).

2.2.1 Third Party Open Issues

The following table lists the third party open issues for this release.

Table 16. Third Party Open Issues

ID	Description	Workaround
133604	Bonding driver shows incorrect hardware address of IPoIB interfaces.	This workaround applies to SLES* 12 SP3 (and earlier) distributions: Use the <code>opainfo</code> command to retrieve the PortGUID and <code>ip addr show ib0</code> to get the correct 20-byte hardware address of OPA network interface.
139924	For SLES*, the ibacmp provided in the OS distribution uses incorrect address information when joining multicast groups. This causes name resolution to fail. The dsap provided in the OS distribution works correctly.	The fix for this issue is available in the library <code>rdma-core-15-2.el7</code> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not use the OS distribution <code>ibacmp</code>. Install <code>rdma-core-15-2.el7</code> manually.
140310 (STL-46700)	On RHEL* 7.5, if an ipofabric interface name is non-standard, the <code>ifcfg</code> file is not read correctly. For example, if you are using the ipofabric interface name <code>opa_ib0</code> , and the <code>connected</code> mode and MTU size is specified in the <code>ifcfg-opa_ib0</code> file, when you bring up the interface with <code>ifup</code> , the settings do not take effect.	You must manually enter: <pre>echo connected > /sys/class/net/opa_ib0/mode</pre> for the settings to take effect.
141273 (STL-46935)	The in-distro version of <code>perftests</code> has bugs.	Use the upstream version of <code>perftest</code> from https://github.com/linux-rdma/perftest .
141740	Due to the race condition during boot up ipoib driver can miss PKey change event that will leave ipoib interface in disconnected state.	Reload ipoib driver on the affected host: <pre>#> modprobe -r ib_ipoib && modprobe ib_ipoib</pre>



3.0 Related Information

3.1 Intel® Omni-Path Documentation Library

Intel® Omni-Path publications are available at the following URLs:

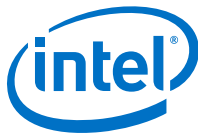
- Intel® Omni-Path Switches Installation, User, and Reference Guides
<http://www.intel.com/omnipath/SwitchPublications>
- Intel® Omni-Path Software Installation, User, and Reference Guides (includes HFI documents)
<http://www.intel.com/omnipath/FabricSoftwarePublications>
- Drivers and Software (including Release Notes)
<http://www.intel.com/omnipath/Downloads>

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Task	Document Title	Description
Key: Shading indicates the URL to use for accessing the particular document.		
• Intel® Omni-Path Switches Installation, User, and Reference Guides: http://www.intel.com/omnipath/SwitchPublications		
• Intel® Omni-Path Software Installation, User, and Reference Guides (includes HFI documents): http://www.intel.com/omnipath/FabricSoftwarePublications (no shading)		
• Drivers, Software, and Firmware (including Release Notes): http://www.intel.com/omnipath/Downloads		
Using the Intel® OPA documentation set	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Quick Start Guide</i>	A roadmap to Intel's comprehensive library of publications describing all aspects of the product family. This document outlines the most basic steps for getting your Intel® Omni-Path Architecture (Intel® OPA) cluster installed and operational.
Setting up an Intel® OPA cluster	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Setup Guide</i>	Provides a high level overview of the steps required to stage a customer-based installation of the Intel® Omni-Path Fabric. Procedures and key reference documents, such as Intel® Omni-Path user guides and installation guides, are provided to clarify the process. Additional commands and best known methods are defined to facilitate the installation process and troubleshooting.
Installing hardware	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Hardware Installation Guide</i>	Describes the hardware installation and initial configuration tasks for the Intel® Omni-Path Switches 100 Series. This includes: Intel® Omni-Path Edge Switches 100 Series, 24 and 48-port configurable Edge switches, and Intel® Omni-Path Director Class Switches 100 Series.
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Host Fabric Interface Installation Guide</i>	Contains instructions for installing the HFI in an Intel® OPA cluster.
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Task	Document Title	Description
Installing host software Installing HFI firmware Installing switch firmware (externally-managed switches)	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Installation Guide</i>	Describes using a Text-based User Interface (TUI) to guide you through the installation process. You have the option of using command line interface (CLI) commands to perform the installation or install using the Linux* distribution software.
Managing a switch using Chassis Viewer GUI Installing switch firmware (managed switches)	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches GUI User Guide</i>	Describes the graphical user interface (GUI) of the Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Chassis Viewer GUI. This document provides task-oriented procedures for configuring and managing the Intel® Omni-Path Switch family. Help: GUI embedded help files
Managing a switch using the CLI Installing switch firmware (managed switches)	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Command Line Interface Reference Guide</i>	Describes the command line interface (CLI) task information for the Intel® Omni-Path Switch family. Help: -help for each CLI
Managing a fabric using FastFabric	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite FastFabric User Guide</i>	Provides instructions for using the set of fabric management tools designed to simplify and optimize common fabric management tasks. The management tools consist of Text-based User Interface (TUI) menus and command line interface (CLI) commands. Help: -help and man pages for each CLI. Also, all host CLI commands can be accessed as console help in the Fabric Manager GUI.
Managing a fabric using Fabric Manager	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite Fabric Manager User Guide</i>	The Fabric Manager uses a well defined management protocol to communicate with management agents in every Intel® Omni-Path Host Fabric Interface (HFI) and switch. Through these interfaces the Fabric Manager is able to discover, configure, and monitor the fabric.
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Suite Fabric Manager GUI User Guide</i>	Provides an intuitive, scalable dashboard and set of analysis tools for graphically monitoring fabric status and configuration. This document is a user-friendly alternative to traditional command-line tools for day-to-day monitoring of fabric health. Help: Fabric Manager GUI embedded help files
Configuring and administering Intel® HFI and IPoIB driver Running MPI applications on Intel® OPA	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Host Software User Guide</i>	Describes how to set up and administer the Host Fabric Interface (HFI) after the software has been installed. The audience for this document includes cluster administrators and Message-Passing Interface (MPI) application programmers.
Writing and running middleware that uses Intel® OPA	<i>Intel® Performance Scaled Messaging 2 (PSM2) Programmer's Guide</i>	Provides a reference for programmers working with the Intel® PSM2 Application Programming Interface (API). The Performance Scaled Messaging 2 API (PSM2 API) is a low-level user-level communications interface.
Optimizing system performance	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Performance Tuning User Guide</i>	Describes BIOS settings and parameters that have been shown to ensure best performance, or make performance more consistent, on Intel® Omni-Path Architecture. If you are interested in benchmarking the performance of your system, these tips may help you obtain better performance.
Designing an IP or LNet router on Intel® OPA	<i>Intel® Omni-Path IP and LNet Router Design Guide</i> (Old title: <i>Intel® Omni-Path IP and Storage Router Design Guide</i>)	Describes how to install, configure, and administer an IPoIB router solution (Linux* IP or LNet) for inter-operating between Intel® Omni-Path and a legacy InfiniBand* fabric.
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Building Containers for Intel® OPA fabrics	<i>Building Containers for Intel® Omni-Path Fabrics using Docker* and Singularity* Application Note</i>	Provides basic information for building and running Docker* and Singularity* containers on Linux*-based computer platforms that incorporate Intel® Omni-Path networking technology.
Writing management applications that interface with Intel® OPA	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Management API Programmer's Guide</i>	Contains a reference for programmers working with the Intel® Omni-Path Architecture Management (Intel OPAMGT) Application Programming Interface (API). The Intel OPAMGT API is a C-API permitting in-band and out-of-band queries of the FM's Subnet Administrator and Performance Administrator.
Using NVMe* over Fabrics on Intel® OPA	<i>Configuring Non-Volatile Memory Express* (NVMe*) over Fabrics on Intel® Omni-Path Architecture Application Note</i>	Describes how to implement a simple Intel® Omni-Path Architecture-based point-to-point configuration with one target and one host server.
Learning about new release features, open issues, and resolved issues for a particular release	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Release Notes</i>	
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Manager GUI Release Notes</i>	
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Switches Release Notes (includes managed and externally-managed switches)</i>	
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) Release Notes</i>	
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Thermal Management Microchip (TMM) Release Notes</i>	
	<i>Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Firmware Tools Release Notes</i>	

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