

Intel® Omni-Path Fabric Software Architecture Overview

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MANY WORKLOADS - ONE FRAMEWORK

A Flexible Framework for Today & Tomorrow



Enabling Breakthrough System Performance

Intel® Omni-Path Architecture

Evolutionary Approach, Revolutionary Features, End-to-End Solution

Building on the industry's best technologies

- Highly leverage existing Aries and Intel® True Scale fabric
- Adds innovative new features and capabilities to improve performance, reliability, and QoS
- Re-use of existing OpenFabrics Alliance* software

Robust product offerings and ecosystem

- End-to-end Intel product line
- >100 OEM designs¹
- Strong ecosystem with 70+ Fabric Builders members







OEM custom designs **HFI and Switch ASICs**

Intel® Denis Fish Architecture 10056/j. HFT HFI silicon Up to 2 ports (50 GB/s total b/w)

tinoel" Ommi-Padh Andhlocture 48 Badix Switch Switch silicon up to 48 ports (1200 GB/s total b/w

Software

Open Source
Host Software and
Fabric Manager



Cables

Third Party Vendors
Passive Copper
Active Optical



¹ Source: Intel internal information. Design win count based on OEM and HPC storage vendors who are planning to offer either Intel-branded or custom switch products, along with the total number of OEM platforms that are currently planned to support custom and/or standard Intel® OPA adapters. Design win count as of November 1, 2015 and subject to change without notice based on vendor product plans. *Other names and brands may be claimed as property of others.

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Disruptive innovations to knock down the "I/O Wall"



HIGHER PERFORMANCE

Accelerates discovery and innovation

Up to 21% lower latency at scale, up to 17% higher messaging rate, and up to 9% higher application performance than InfiniBand EDR¹



BETTER ECONOMICS

Reduces size of fabric budgets.
Use savings to purchase more compute



Better price-performance than InfiniBand* EDR reduces fabric spends for a given cluster size. Use savings to get more compute nodes with same total budget²



MORE POWER EFFICIENT

more efficient switches and cards and a reduction in switch count and cables due to the 48-port chip architecture





GREATER RESILIENCY

"no compromise" error detection and maintains link continuity with lane failures

No additional latency penalty for error detection with Packet Integrity Protection⁴

¹ Intel® Xeon® Processor E5-2697A v4 dual-socket servers with 2133 MHz DDR4 memory. Intel® Turbo Boost Technology and Intel® Hyper Threading Technology enabled. BIOS: Early snoop disabled, Cluster on Die disabled, IOU non-posted prefetch disabled, Snoop hold-off timer=9. Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server release 7.2 (Maipo). Intel® OPA testing performed with Intel Corporation Device 24f0 – Series 100 HFI ASIC (B0 silicon). OPA Switch: Series 100 Edge Switch – 48 port (B0 silicon). Intel® OPA host software 10.1 or newer using Open MPI 1.10.x contained within host software package. EDR IB® testing performed with Mellanox EDR ConnectX-4 Single Port Rev 3 MCX455A HCA. Mellanox SB7700 - 36 Port EDR Infiniband switch. Between the MLNX_OFED_Linux-3.2.x. OpenMPI 1.10.x contained within MLNX HPC-X. Message rate claim: Ohio State Micro Benchmarks v. 5.0. osu_mbw_mr, 8 B message (uni-directional), 32 MPI rank pairs. Maximum rank pair communication time used instead of average time, average timing introduced into Ohio State Micro Benchmarks as of v3.9 (2/28/13). Best of default, MXM_TLS=self,rc, and -mca pml yalla tunings. All measurements include one switch hop. Latency claim: HPCC 1.4.3 Random order ring latency using 16 nodes, 32 MPI ranks per node, 512 total MPI ranks. Application claim: GROMACS version 5.0.4 ion_channel benchmark. 16 nodes, 32 MPI ranks per node, 512 total MPI ranks. Intel® MPI Library 2017.0.064. Additional configuration details available under request. 2 Configuration assumes a 750-node cluster, and number of switch chips required is based on a full bisectional bandwidth (FBB) Fat-Tree configuration. Intel® OPA uses one fully-populated 768-port director switches and 36-port edge switches. Intel and Mellanox Component pricing from www.kernelsoftware.com, with prices as of October 20, 2016. Assumes \$6,200 for a 2-socket Intel® Xeon® processor based compute node. 3 Configuration assumes a 750-node cluster, and number of switch chips required is based on a full bisectional bandwidth (FBB) Fat-Tree configu



New Intel[®] OPA Fabric Features: Fine-grained Control Improves Resiliency and Optimizes Traffic Movement







	Description	Benefits
Traffic Flow Optimization	 Optimizes Quality of Service (QoS) in mixed traffic environments, such as storage and MPI Transmission of lower-priority packets can be paused so higher priority packets can be transmitted 	 Ensures high priority traffic is not delayed → Faster time to solution Deterministic latency → Lowers runto-run timing inconsistencies
Packet Integrity Protection	 Allows for rapid and transparent recovery of transmission errors on an Intel® OPA link without additional latency Resends 1056-bit bundle w/errors only instead of entire packet (based on MTU size) 	 Fixes happen at the link level rather than end-to-end level Much lower latency than Forward Error Correction (FEC) defined in the InfiniBand* specification¹
Dynamic Lane Scaling	 Maintain link continuity in the event of a failure of one of more physical lanes Operates with the remaining lanes until the failure can be corrected at a later time 	 Enables a workload to continue to completion. Note: InfiniBand will shut down the entire link in the event of a physical lane failure

¹ Lower latency based on the use of InfiniBand with Forward Error Correction (FEC) Mode A or C in the public presentation titled "Option to Bypass Error Marking (supporting comment #205)," authored by Adee Ran (Intel) and Oran Sela (Mellanox), January 2013. Mode A modeled to add as much as 140ns latency above baseline, and Mode C can add up to 90ns latency above baseline. Link:

www.ieee802.org/3/bi/public/jan13/ran 3bi 01a 0113.pdf



Intel® Omni-Path Architecture Rapid Ramp



It's been quite a year since launch at Supercomputing 2015



Major wins across the globe:





























50% MSS of 100Gb systems on the June '16 Top500 list¹

Expect dramatic increase for November '16 list next week

Gained significant momentum in the market²

Intel® Omni-Path Architecture: Software Components and Usage Model

Station

Director

Switches

Intel® OPA Fabric

Compute Nodes

Mgmt Node 2

Element Management Stack

- Runs on embedded Intel Atom processor included in managed switches
- "Traditional System Mgmt" e.g. Signal integrity, Thermal monitoring, voltage monitoring, etc.

Host Software Stack

- Runs on all Intel® OPAconnected host nodes
- High performance, highly scalable MPI implementation via PSM and extensive set of upper layer protocols
- Boot over Fabric

Fabric Management GUI

- Runs on workstation with a local screen/keyboard
- Provides interactive GUI access to Fabric Management TCO features (configuration, monitoring, diagnostics, element management drill down)

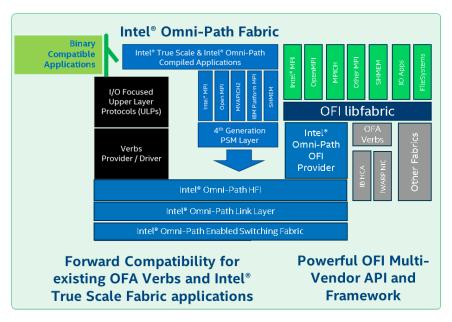
Fabric Management Stack

- Runs on OPA-connected management nodes or switch embedded Atom processor
- Initializes, configures and monitors the fabric routing, QoS, security, and performance
- Includes toolkit for TCO functions: configuration, monitoring, diags, and repair



Intel® Omni-Path Architecture

Optimized host implementation



Host Strategy: Leverage OpenFabrics Alliance* (OFA)

- OpenFabrics Alliance compliant: Off-the-shelf application compatibility
- Provides an extensive set of mature upper layer protocols
- Integrates 4th generation proven, scalable PSM capability for HPC
- OpenFabrics Interface (OFI) API aligned with application requirements

Access: Open Source Key Elements

- Host software stack via OFA
- Intel® Omni-Path FastFabric Tools, Fabric Manager, and GUI

Channels: Integrate into Linux* Distributions

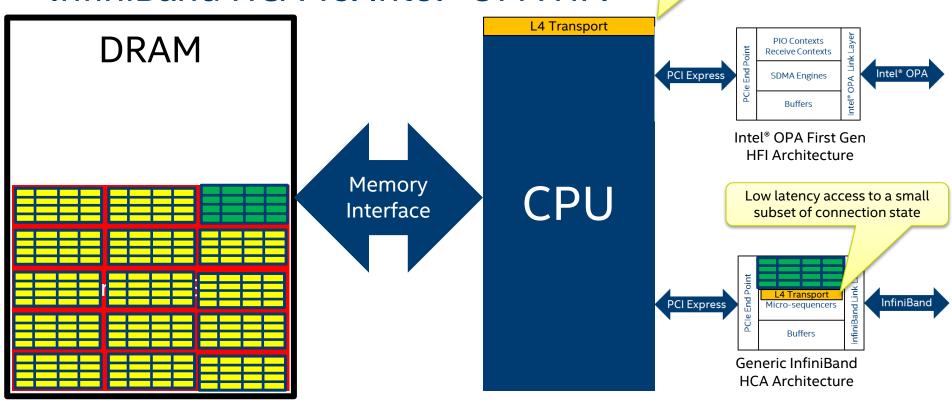
- Intel® Omni-Path Architecture support included in standard distributions
 - Starting with RHEL 7.3 and SLES 12sp2
- Delta distribution of OFA stack atop Linux distributions as needed

Maintains existing HPC fabric software approach

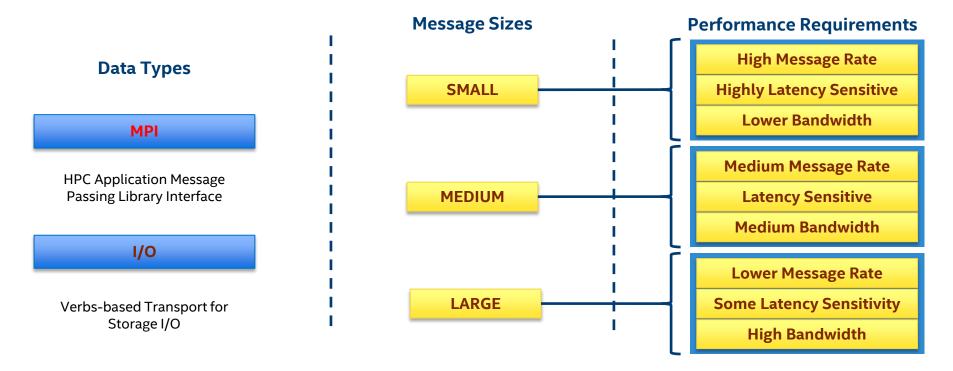


Onload vs. Offload InfiniBand HCA vs. Intel® OPA HFI

Low latency, consistent access to all connection state

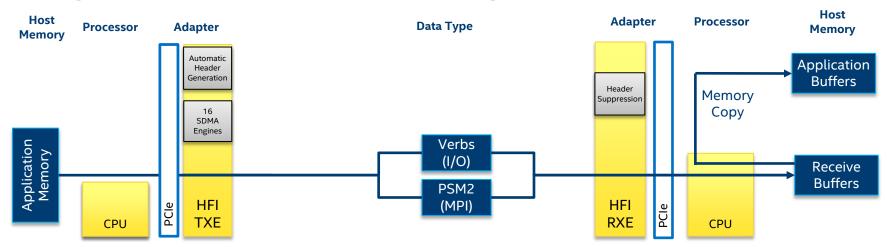


Choosing the Right Data Transfer Approach MPI and Storage Traffic Performance Needs



Multimodal Data Acceleration

Highest performance small message transfer



Host Driven Send

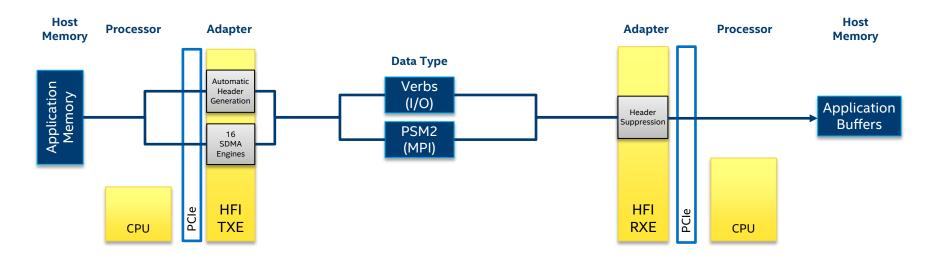
- Optimizes latency and message rate for high priority messages
- Transfer time lower than memory handle exchange, memory registration

Receive Buffer Placement

- Data placed in receive buffers
- Buffers copied to application buffer

Multimodal Data Acceleration

Lowest overhead RDMA-based large message transfer



Send DMA (SDMA) Engine

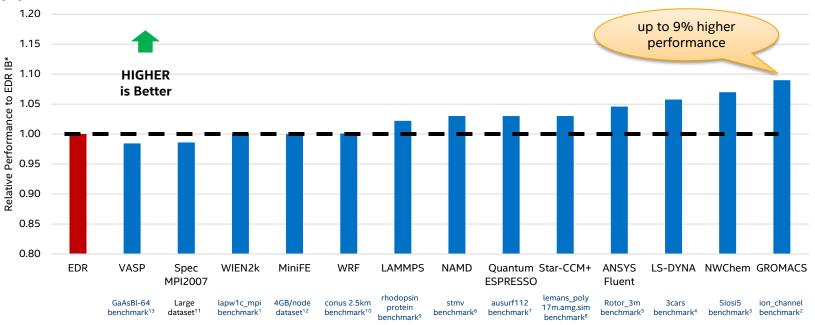
- Stateless offloads on send side
- DMA setup required

Direct Data Placement

- Direct data placement on receive side
- Eliminates memory copy

Intel® Omni-Path Architecture (Intel® OPA)

Application Performance - Intel® MPI - 16 Nodes



*Spec MPI2007 results estimates until published

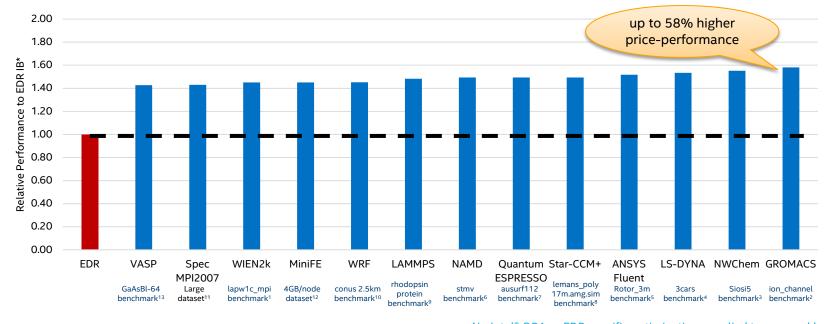
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^{**}see following slide for system configurations

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Application Performance Per Fabric Dollar* - Intel® MPI - 16 Nodes





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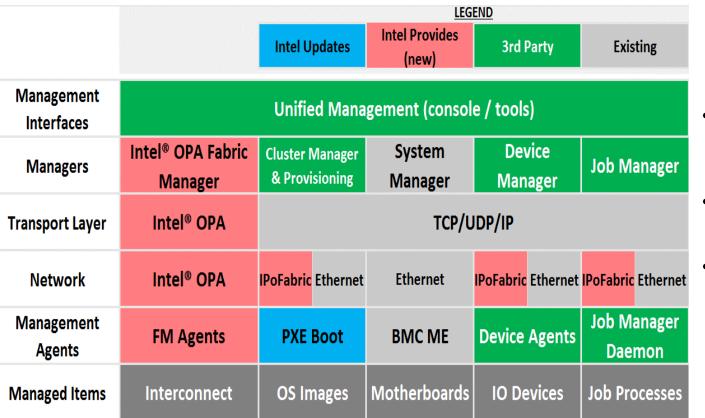
System & Software Configuration [include with previous slides]

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- 1. WIEN2k version 14.2. http://www.wien2k.at/. http://www.wien2k.at/reg_user/benchmark/. Run command: "mpirun ... lapw1c_mpi lapw1.def". Intel Fortran Compiler 17.0.0 20160517. Compile flags: -FR -mp1 -w -prec_div -pc80 -pad -ip DINTEL VML -traceback -assume buffered io -DFTW3 -l/opt/intel/compilers and libraries 2017.0.064/linux/mkl/include/fftw/ -DParallel.shm:tmi fabric used for Intel® OPA and shm:dapl fabric used for EDR IB*.
- 2. GROMACS version 5.0.4. Intel Composer XE 2015.1.133. Intel MPI 5.1.3. FFTW-3.3.4. ~/bin/cmake ..-DGMX_BUILD_OWN_FFTW=OFF -DREGRESSIONTEST_DOWNLOAD=OFF -DCMAKE_C_COMPILER=icc -DCMAKE_CXX_COMPILER=icpc DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=~/gromacs-5.0.4-installed. Intel® OPA MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:tmi, EDR MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:dapl
- 3. NWChem release 6.6. Binary: nwchem_comex-mpi-pr_mkl with MPI-PR run over MPI-1. Workload: siosi3 and siosi5. Intel® MPI Library 2017.0.064. 2 ranks per node, 1 rank for computation and 1 rank for communication. shm:tmi fabric for Intel® OPA and shm:dapl fabric for EDR, all default settings. Intel Fabric Suite 10.2.0.0.153. http://www.nwchem-sw.org/index.php/Main_Page
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- 9. LAMMPS (Large-scale Atomic/Molecular Massively Parallel Simulator) Feb 16, 2016 stable version release. MPI: Intel® MPI Library 5.1 Update 3 for Linux. Workload: Rhodopsin protein benchmark. Number of time steps=10, warm up time steps=10 (not timed) Number of copies of the simulation box in each dimension: 8x8x4 and problem size: 8x8x4x32k = 8,192k atoms Intel® OPA: MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:tmi, I_MPI_PIN_DOMAIN=core EDR: MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:dapl,, I_MPI_PIN_DOMAIN=core
- 10. WRF version 3.5.1, Intel Composer XE 2015.1.133. Intel MPI 5.1.3. NetCDF version 4.4.2. FCBASEOPTS=-w -ftz -align all -fno-alias -fp-model precise. CFLAGS_LOCAL = -w -O3 -ip. Intel® OPA MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:tmi, EDR MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:dapl
- 11. Spec MPI 2007: 16 nodes, 32 MPI ranks/node. SPEC MPI2007, Large suite, https://www.spec.org/mpi/. *Intel Internal measurements marked estimates until published. Intel MPI 5.1.3. Intel® OPA MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:tmi, EDR MPI parameters: I_MPI_FABRICS=shm:dapl
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Intel® OPA Management Software



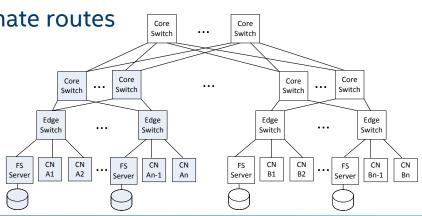
- Intel® OPA leverages existing stacks for each type of management
- Assorted 3rd party unified management consoles
- Intel® OPA provides a scalable centralized fabric management stack

Advanced Switching Features

- Route Balancing per Device Group
 - Scalable unit and cross sub-cluster storage vs compute optimization
- Self discovering FatTree
 - Flexibility in cable placement, option to handle HFIs at core
- Medium Grained Adaptive Routing

Can specify any and all potential alternate routes

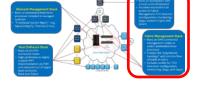
- Dispersive Routing
 - Maximized dispersion and resiliency
- Congestion Control



Fabric Diagnostic and Debug Features

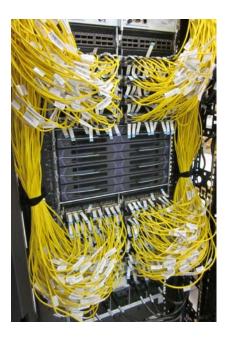
In a typical cluster the majority of fabric FRUs are cables

Managing cable FRUs is one of the biggest sysadmin challenges



Cable FRU management Intel® OPA Fabric innovations:

- Link Quality Indicator "5 bars" instantaneous view of link quality
 - In every HW port, monitored by FM, FastFabric Tools, FM GUI
- Topology verification Are cables in correct places?
 - FM can warn or quarantine incorrect links
 - FastFabric online and offline topology analysis
- Port type information
 - QSFP/Standard, Fixed/Backplane, Variable, Disconnected, ...
- QSFP CableInfo shows all key cable /transceiver info
 - Vendor, model, length, technology, date, etc.
 - Fully integrated into FM, FastFabric tools, FM GUI
- Link Down Reason
 - LinkDownReason and NeighborLinkDownReason most recent reason link went down





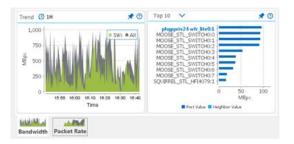
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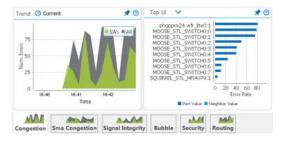
Fabric utilization and performance monitoring is critical to fabric operations

Intel® OPA Fabric Innovations

- FM's monitors fabric and maintains history of fabric performance and errors
 - Over 130 performance counters per port
 - Including utilization, packet rate and congestion per VL
 - 64-bit counters (many decades to rollover)
- PM Device Groups allow performance analysis for a specific set of devices
 - Storage vs compute, etc.
- PM/PA database sync PM data retained during FM failover
- Statistics available via FastFabric CLI, FM GUI, PA APIs



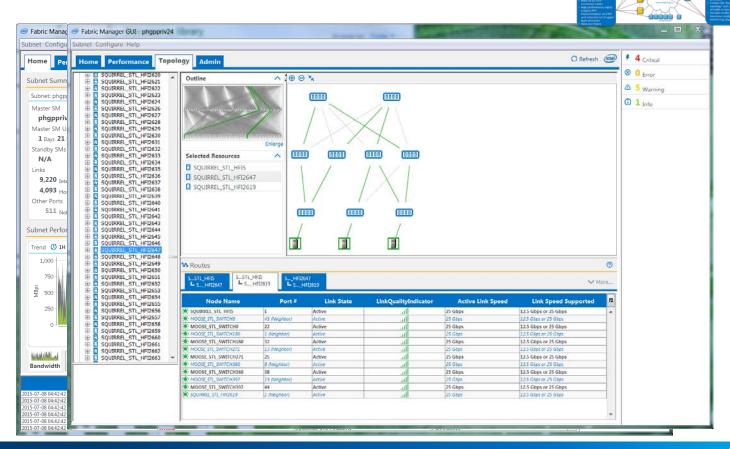




Omni-Path scalable FM GUI

Advanced User Interface

Exposes New OPA Features



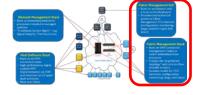
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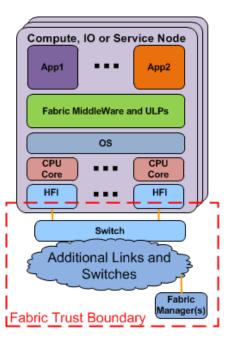




Intel® OPA Fabric Innovations

- SMA/PMA protection
 - Specific enablement of Mgmt. Nodes by switches
 - SMA and PMA protocols strictly protected
 - SMA pacing at non-mgmt. hosts limits SMA denial of service attacks
- Host spoofing prevention
 - SLID verification at neighbor switch
 - NodeType, NodeGUID and PortGUID verification (hardware assisted)
 - Topology verification by SM
 - Catches unexpected devices or attempts to spoof other devices
- Cluster information restricted
 - SA limits data available to non-mgmt. nodes
 - SSL security for FM GUI connection to FM





Virtual Fabrics Overview

Unifying Concept for Security and QoS

- Allow multiple applications on cluster at once
- Allow sysadmin to control degree of isolation
- Composed of application, devicegroup and policy

Applications

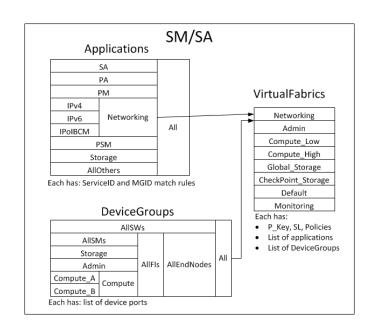
Identified by PathRecord ServiceID or Multicast MGID

Device Group

Identified by Node Names or other mechanisms

Policies

QoS settings (SL, BW, TFO, etc), security settings (Pkey)



Virtual Fabrics Address Resolution

Transparently Integrated into OFA mechanisms

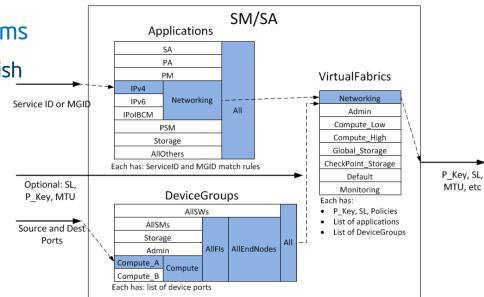
- PathRecord query, RDMA CM connection establish
- Multicast Join, IPolB

Implemented in FM's SA

- Resolves request, finds matching application, device group, and associated vFabric
- Returns proper SL, PKey, etc

Supports Other Mechanisms

- VF Info queries to get SL, PKey, etc for a given vFabric
- Useful for scalable MPI job launch

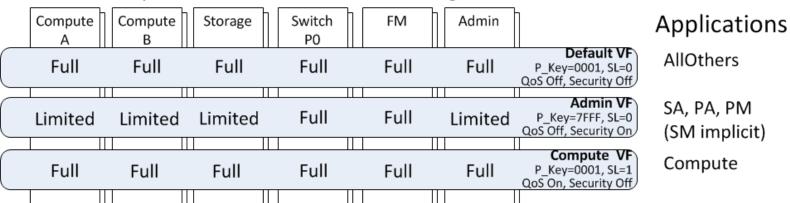


Virtual Fabrics Examples

Default Virtual Fabrics Configuration

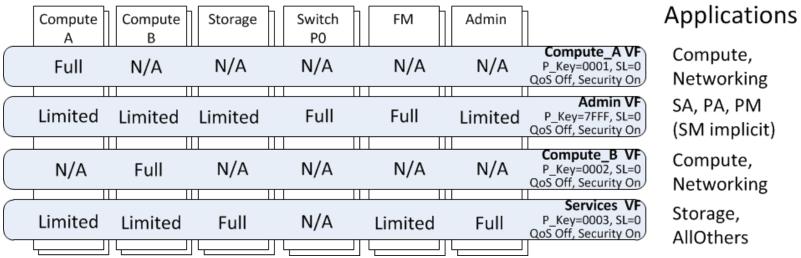


Simple QoS Virtual Fabrics Configuration



Virtual Fabrics Examples

Simple Security Virtual Fabrics Configuration



Virtual Fabrics Ground Rules

Always get the SL and PKey from the FM

- PathRecord query, Multicast Join, RDMA CM
- VF Info query and related scripts (opagetvf)
- A priori discussion with sysadmin and direct application parameters for SL and PKey

Use scalable PathRecord query mechanisms

- RDMA CM, ibacm, kernel SA query
- Do not hand build your own SA MADs via umad
 - Often secured to root access and will not scale on large fabrics

Be aware 0x7fff/0xffff is admin pkey

- Secured by default, not for use by application traffic
- Only includes SMA, PMA, SA, PA "applications"

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Intel® Omni-Path Architecture Summary

Next generation HPC fabric that builds on Intel® True Scale Fabric

- Full end-to-end solution: Switches, adapters, host software, management software, cabling, silicon
- Optimized CPU, host and fabric architecture that cost effectively scales from entry to extreme deployments
- Comprehensive & mature host software that is compatible with existing Intel True Scale Fabric and Open Fabric Alliance (OFA) APIs
- Many advanced fabric administration features
- An established ecosystem and rapidly growing customer base

