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Software User Manual

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About this document

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide implementation information for Intel QuickAssist software on Lanner AV-ICE01and NCS-IGM427A/B.

Intended audience

This document is for individuals who install and configure networking appliances with the above mentioned functionality.

Conventions used

Following are all the special characters and typographical conventions used in this manual:

Convention	Meaning
Press Enter	Means press the Enter or Return key or its equivalent on your computer.
	Note: introduces important additional information.
	Caution: warns that a failure to follow the recommended procedure could result in loss of data or damage to equipment.

Chapter 1. Introducing the Lanner Cave Creek

Acceleration Modules

Lanner' products which utilize Intel Cave Creek technology include network modules NCS-IGM427A/B and PCIe acceleration card AV-ICE01. These modules utilize the latest Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series silicon and are designed to efficiently increase performance for communications infrastructure systems.

More specifically, they are I/O interfaces with Intel QuickAssist Accelerator to optimize I/O performance on data compression and encryption on platforms powered by Intel Xeon and Core Processors.

This document provides information on how to quickly set up an environment and build and install the QuickAssist software.

For each supported acceleration service (Cryptographic, Data Compression), the following client access usage models are supported:

- Kernel mode, where both the client and the service(s) are running in kernel space.
- Direct user space access to services running in user space. In this model, both the client and service(s) are running in user space and access to the hardware is also performed from user space.

The Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software for Linux has been validated with Fedora 16 32-bit and x86_64.



1. This document is written based on Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software for Linux package DH89xxCC.L.1.0.1-15. Other software versions may have features or porting guides that are different from those described here. 2. For further assistance such as obtaining the SDK and the associated documentation, please contact Intel support directly.

Chapter 2. Installing the OS and Preparing for

the Software Installation

2.1 Configuring the BIOS on the System

The BIOS configuration needs to be updated to allow the operating system to be successfully installed on the development kit.

The following steps must be performed to properly configure the BIOS:

- 1. Power on the development kit. Watch closely for the prompt to enter BIOS setup. Press F2 (or other command as instructed by your system's manual) when prompted.
- 2. Update the Boot order so that the DVD-ROM drive is the first boot option. The option is available under:

Boot > Boot Option Priorities (the menu directory depends on your BIOS)

3. Ensure the SATA mode is set to AHCI

Advanced > SATA Configuration > SATA Mode>AHCI Mode

4. Disable Intel® SpeedStep technology (if this option is configurable) Advanced > Power & Performance > Intel (R) SpeedStep(tm)

Save your changes and exit. Then reboot the system.

2.2 Installing Fedora 16

For complete Fedora installation instructions, please refer to the online Installation Guide at:

http://docs.fedoraproject.org/en-US/Fedora/16/html/Installation_Guide/ Select the software to install. Ensure that **Software Developme**nt is selected.



- 1. When installing the Fedora, ensure that **Software Development** is selected or an error message may appear when installing the QuickAssist software.
- 2. The document is written with the Fedora 16 Install Media in mind. Using the Live Media version is not recommended.

2.3 Updating Grub Configuration File

This section contains instructions on updating the grub configuration file.

Note: Root access is required in order to update the /etc/default/grub file in the following steps.

1. After completing Installing Fedora 16, log into the system.

Note: You may observe an error message similar to *GNOME3 Failed to load* when booting to the desktop. This message can be ignored.

- If you are booting to the desktop, Fedora 16 may automatically update your kernel version. To turn off this feature, select Applications > Other > Software Settings. Change Automatically install from Only security updates to Nothing.
- 3. Update the /etc/default/grub file to remove two Linux options *rhgb* and *quiet* and add the Linux option acpi_enforce_resources=lax.

If your application does not require virtualization for the acceleration software, add the Linux option *intel_iommu=off*

If you have made the change correctly, the line will look similar to the following:

GRUB_CMDLINE_LINUX="rd.md=0 rd.dm=0 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/llv_swap KEYTABLE=us SYSFONT=latarcyrheb-sun16 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/lv_root rd.luks=0 LANG=en_US.UTF-8 acpi_enforce_resources=lax intel_iommu=off"

Note: Check for intel-IOMMU: disabled in the kernel log (dmesg) after the system is rebooted.

If your application requires virtualization, then the line will look similar to the following:

GRUB_CMDLINE_LINUX="rd.md=0 rd.dm=0 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/llv_swap KEYTABLE=us

SYSFONT=latarcyrheb-sun16 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/lv_root rd.luks=0

LANG=en_US.UTF-8 acpi_enforce_resources=lax"

Note: When virtualization is enabled, the acceleration services can only be used in the guest operating systems.

Note: In rare instances, the system may hang with the Linux option acpi_enforce_resources=lax. If this occurs, this boot option should not be used.

4. If you are using 32-bit Linux, update the /etc/default/grub file to add the Linux option vmalloc=248M.

If you have made the change correctly, the line will look similar to the following:

GRUB_CMDLINE_LINUX="rd.md=0 rd.dm=0 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/llv_swap KEYTABLE=us SYSFONT=latarcyrheb-sun16 rd.lvm.lv=VolGroup/lv_root rd.luks=0 LANG=en_US.UTF-8 acpi_enforce_resources=lax intel_iommu=off vmalloc=248M"

5. Save the changes to the file and execute the following command to generate the grub configuration file:

grub2-mkconfig -o /boot/grub2/grub.cfg

6. Reboot the system.

shutdown -r now

Chapter 3. Building and Installing the Software

3.1 Unpacking the Software

The software package comes in the form of a tarball. The instructions in this document assume that you have super user privileges.

#su <enter password for root>

1. Create a working directory for the software. This directory can be user defined, but for the purposes of this document, a recommendation is provided.

#mkdir /CRF_Release

 $\#cd/CRF_Release$

 Transfer the tarball to the development board using any preferred method, for example USB memory stick, CDROM, etc. Unpack the tarball using the following command:

#tar -zxof <tarball name>

The installation script and accelerations software tarball will be created under the CRF_Release directory.

3.2 Installation Script and Options

The installation script is provided to walk you through building/installing the software. The installation script can also be launched with command line arguments giving the

option to bypass the interactive setup. Refer to 3.2.3 Command Line Arguments or more information.

Launch the script as root:

#./installer.sh

A welcome message is displayed, followed by Installation Options. The table below lists the available installation options.

Option	Name	Description
1	Build Acceleration	Builds the acceleration software. The software is not installed.
2	Install Acceleration	Builds and installs the acceleration software. The software drivers are persistent and will be loaded on subsequent reboots.
3	Install SR-IOV Host Acceleration	Builds and installs the acceleration software for the Host OS for SR-IOV. The software drivers are persistent and will be loaded on subsequent reboots.
4	Install SR-IOV Guest Acceleration	Builds and installs the acceleration software for the Host OS for SR-IOV. The software drivers are persistent and will be loaded on subsequent reboots.
5	Show Acceleration Device Information	Displays the number of Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series devices available on the

		system and the B:D.F for each device.
6	Builds Acceleration Sample Code	Builds both user space and kernel space version of the Acceleration Sample Code.
7	Install Hard Disk IDE Patch (*)	Performs kernel patch that enables IDE SATA mode. Kernel recompile is required when this option is selected.
8	Build Sample Drivers	Builds the sample drivers, including Watchdog Timer driver, Memory Scrubbing driver, and SPI driver.
9	Uninstall	Uninstalls the software. A sub-menu appears that allows you to select which software components are uninstalled. Kernel recompile is required if the Hard Disk IDE patch file is uninstalled.
0	Exit	Exit the installation script.
(*) not applicable to the AV-ICE01		

3.2.1 Acceleration Software Installation

When you run the installation script, select the **Install Acceleration** Installation option to install the Acceleration software.

In the /CRF_Release directory, start the installation script:

#cd /CRF_Release

#./installer.sh

You will be prompted for a directory location to build the package and the Build Output Directory. Use the default values provided by the installation script.

ensure that the kernel option intel_iommu=off has been configured as specified in the GRUB configuration file. If this kernel parameter is not specified, acceleration ervices are only available in a guest operating system (in a virtualized environment).

Note: If a failed to start device error is shown during the Acceleration installation,

3. During the instllation, the following message is displayed:

*** No error detected in InstallerLog.txt file ***

At the end of the installation, the following messages are displayed:

*** Acceleration Installation Complete ***

Refer to the *InstallerLog.txt* file for additional detail on the installation. It is also a good idea to check */var/log/messages* or *dmesg* to make sure that the acceleration service started. Warning messages related to *Invalid core affinity* can be addressed by modifying the configuration files dh89xxcc_aq_dev0.conf and h89xxcc_qa_dev1.conf) so that no core numbers are referenced beyond the core count of the system.

Note: After building/installing the Acceleration Software, it is highly recommended to secure the build output files (the files located in \$ICP_ROOT\build) by either deleting them or setting permissions according to your needs.

- 4. Use the 0 option to exit the installation.
- 5. After installing the Acceleration software, it is recommended to verify that the acceleration software kernel object is loaded and ready to use. This can be done by performing the following operation:

lsmod | grep icp_qa_al

If *icp_qa_al* is not returned, then the acceleration software is not installed and is not ready for use. Refer to the Installer.log file in the /CRF_Release directory for additional information. If necessary, run the installation script again and select **Install Acceleration**.

3.2.2 InstallerLog

The installerLog.txt file is appended after each installation with the time/date and the output of the build/install. If any issues were seen during the installation, check the log file for details.

3.2.3 Command Line Arguments

The command line takes the following arguments:

./installer.sh <What to Build> <Where to Build> <Kernel Source>

- <What to Build>
- a Install Acceleration
- ba Build Acceleration
- bs Build Acceleration Sample Code
- s Build Sample Drivers
- h Provide Command line help
- <Where to Build>

- Set the build location, for example, /CRF_Release or \$PWD.

3.2.4 Configuration Files

When the Acceleration software loads, it is configured based on settings in the configuration files (*dh89xxcc_qa_dev0.conf* and *dh89xxcc_qa_dev1.conf*). Both configuration files are placed in the /etc directory.

The files are processed when the system boots. If changes are made to the configuration file, the Acceleration software must be stopped and restarted for the changes to take effect.

The Intel Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software package includes multiple types of configuration files. Depending on your installation options and SKU, a valid configuration file will be copied to the /etc directory for you. If your system has more

than one Intel Communications Chipset 89xx Series, it is recommended that you verify that the correct configuration files were copied.

3.3 Starting/Stopping the Acceleration Software

When the Acceleration software is installed, a script file titled *qat_service* is installed in the */etc/init.d* directory.

The script file can be used to start and stop the Acceleration software. To start the software, issue the following commands:

Service qat_service start

Note: If the *service qat_service start* command fails, verify the following:

-Software is installed.

-Acceleration software is already running.

-If you are not using virtualization, verify the Kernel option *intel_iommu=off* has been configured as specified in 2.3 Updating Grub Configuration File

-If you are not using virtualization, verify you are starting the service in a guest Operating System and not the host Operating System.

-Verify the Intel Communications chipset 89xx is enumerated properly by using the *Ispci* command.

To stop the software, issue the following command:

service qat_service stop

To stop the software and remove the kernel driver, issue the following command:

service qat_service shutdown

When the Acceleration software is installed, it is set to load automatically when the Operating System loads.



Note: If the following error message is returned: icp_qa_al err: adf_aeUcodeMap: Mapping of Firmware failed, status=0xa116 "UOF is incompatible with the chip type/revision" you have attempted to install the software package on a system without the latest Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series silicon.

Chapter 4. Running Sample Applications

This section describes the sample code that can be executed on the target platform along with instructions on their usage.

The software package contains a set of sample tests that exercises the Intel Communications Chipset 89xx Series acceleration functionality. This section describes the steps required to build and execute the sample tests.

The sample application is provided for both **Kernel Space** and **User Space** and the following sections contain instructions for both.

4.1 Compiling the Acceleration Sample Code

The acceleration sample code can be built from the installation script, or it can be compiled manually.

To build from the installation script, do the following:

1. Open a Terminal Window and switch to superuser:

#su <enter root password>

2. In the /CRF_Release directory, start the installation script.

cd /CRF_release

#./installer.sh

Select the **Build Acceleration Sample Code** installation option. This option compiles the Acceleration Sample code for both user space and kernel space. It also compiles the memory mapping driver used with the user space application.

You will be prompted for a directory location to build the package and the Build Output Directory. Use the default value for the location to build the package. The Build Output Directory parameter is ignored.

3. Proceed to *signOfLife* Tests next page for instructions on executing the tests.

To manually compile the acceleration sample code, do the following:

1. The following environment variables must be set to build the modules:

export ICP_ROOT=/CRF_Release

export ICP_BUILDSYSTEM_PATH=\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/build_system

export ICP_ENV_DIR=\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/build_system/build_files/env_files

If the intermediate modules are required, the following variables must also be set:

export ICP_BUILD_OUTPUT=\$ICP_ROOT/build

export ICP_TOOLS_TARGET=accelcomp

2. The sample code is compiled with the default assumption that the kernel source header files are located in one of the following directories;

64-bit: /usr/src/kernels/3.1.0-7.fc16.x86_64

32-bit: /usr/src/kernels/3.1.0-7.fc16.i686

3. If the kernel source header files are located in a different directory, create the environment variable with the directory of desired target kernel sources. For example:

export KERNEL_SOURCE_ROOT=/usr/src/kernels/linux

4. You can compile for both Kernel space and User space at the same time using the following commands:

 $\label{eq:linear} \ensuremath{\texttt{\#cd}} \ \ensuremath{\texttt{\$ICP}_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code}$

make perf_all

The generated Linux kernel object and sample application are located at:

 $\label{eq:linear} \$ICP_ROOT/quick assist/look as ide/access_layer/src/sample_code/build$

Proceed to signOfLife Tests next page for instructions on executing the tests.

4.2 Loading the Sample Code

1. The acceleration kernel module must be installed and the software must be started before attempting to execute the sample code. This can be verified by running the following commands:

lsmod | grep icp_qa_al

service qat_service status

Typical output with two acceleration devices is:

There is 2 acceleration device(s) in the system:

icp_dev0 - type=dh89xxcc, inst_id=0, bsf=01:00:0, #accel=2, #engines=8, state=up

icp_dev1 - type=dh89xxcc, inst_id=1, bsf=02:00:0, #accel=2, #engines=8, state=up



Note: If the module is not returned from the first command, refer to 3.3 Starting/Stopping the Acceleration Software for additional information on starting the Acceleration software.

2. The sample code is executed by installing the *cpa_sample_code* kernel object for kernel space, or by launching the application for user space.

The application allows the kernel parameters listed below.

Parameter	Description
SignOfLife=v	Indicates shorter test run that verifies the acceleration software is working. Thisparameter executes a subset of sample tests. Details are included in signOfLifeTests in next section. (default=0)

cyNumBuffers=w	Number of buffers submitted for each iterations. (default =20)
cyAsymLoops=x	Number of iterations of all asymmetric tests. (default=5000)
cyAsymLoops=y	Number of iterations of all asymmetric code tests. (default=5000)
runTests=1	Run symmetric code tests.
runTests=2	Run RSA test code.
runTests=4	Run DSA test code.
runTests=8	Run ECDSA test code.
Runtests=32	Run Stateless Compression test
runTests=64	Run Stateful Compression test.
runTests=127	Run all tests. (default)
configFileVer	Version of configuration file. Can be 1 or 2 (default).If you are using the original version 1 configuration file, use 1.For configuration file details, see the Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software Programmer's Guide.

wirelessFirmware	Wireless Firmware enabled. Can be 0 (default) or 1.This parameter can only be used with the version 2 configuration file when wireless instances are configured.For configuration file details, see the Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series
	Software Programmer's Guide.

4.2.1 signOfLife Tests

The signOfLife parameter is used to specify that a subset of the sample tests are executed with smaller iteration counts. This provides a quick test to verify the acceleration software and hardware are set up correctly.

Note: If the signOfLife parameter is not specified, the full run of tests can take several hours to complete..

Kernel Space

After building the sample code, the kernel space kernel driver, the user space application, and the memory mapping driver are located at:

\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/sample_code/build

To execute the sign of life test in Kernel space, use the following commands:

export ICP_ROOT=/CRF_Release

cd \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/build

insmod ./cpa_sample_code.ko signOfLife=1



- 1. This test takes a few minutes to complete. When the *insmod* command is executed, there is no indication on the terminal window of the activities. Instructions on viewing the results are included on next page.
- 2. If loading of the module fails and some messages in /var/log/messages show Device 0 not found or not stated or There are no cryptio instances, ensure that the kernel option intel_iommu has been configured as specified in Updating Grub Configuration file.

User Space

After building the sample code with the installation script, the kernel space kernel driver, the user space applicaton, and the memory mapping driver are located at:

\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/sample_code/build

To execute the sign of life test in User space, use the following commands:

Install the kernel memory driver *qaeMemDrv.ko*, if the module has not already been installed.

insmod \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/build/qaeMemDrv.ko

cd \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/build

./cpa_sample_code signOfLife=1

You will observe that execution time of the user space code takes longer than the kernel space code. This is due to the sample code kernel space memory management driver (*qaeMemDrv.ko*), which is slow to allocate and map memory to user space. Before beginning performance measurements, the sample code allocates memory up-front which slows execution time. This does not affect the performance of the acceleration driver itself. The acceleration driver user space and kernel space performance are equivalent, other things being equal (for instance, no throttling takes place in either case).

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4.2.2 Test Results

When running the application in kernel space, open a second terminal window, log in

as root, and issue the following command:

tail -f /var/log/messages

When running the application in user space, the results are printed to the terminal window in which the application is launched.

Here is an example of the log messages created during the test:

```
Algorithm Chaining - AES256-CBC HMAC-SHA512
Number of threads 2
Total Submissions 20
Total Responses 20
Packet Size 512
```

4.2.3 Unloading the Sample Code

Once the kernel space sample code test has completed, the message *Sample Code Complete* is displayed. The module can then be unloaded using the following command:

#rmmod cpa_sample_code.ko

Once the user space sample code test has completed, the kernel memory driver *qaeMemDrv.ko* can be unloaded using the following command:

rmmod qaeMemDrv.ko

Appendix A: Supported APIs and directory of function definitions files

Intel® QuickAssist Technology APIs

Cryptographic Functions

API definitions are located in: *SICP_ROOT/quickassist/include/lac*, where *SICP_ROOT* is the directory where the Acceleration software is unpacked.

• Data Compression Functions:

API definitions are located in: \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/include/dc.

Base API definitions

Base API definitions that are common to the API libraries are located in: \$ICP_ROOT/

quickassist/include.

DATA Plane APIs

The data plane APIs are intended for use in user space applications that take advantage of the functionality provided of the Intel Data Plane Development Kit (Intel DPDK). The APIs are recommended for applications that are executing in a data plane environment where the cost of offload (that is, the cycles consumed by the driver sending requests to the hardware) needs to be minimized. To minimize the cost of offload, several constraints have been placed on the APIs. If these constraints are too restrictive for your application, the traditional APIs can be used instead (at a cost of additional IA cycles).

• Cryptographic DATA Plane Functions

The definition of the Cryptographic Data Plane APIs are contained in:

 $\label{eq:licp_root_def} $ICP_ROOT/quickassist/include/lac/cpa_cy_sym_dp.h$$

• Data Compression Data Plane Functions

The definition of the Data Compression Data Plane APIs are contained in:

\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/include/dc/cpa_dc_dp.h

Additional APIS

• Polling Functions:

These functions are intended for retrieving response messages that are on the rings and dispatching the associated callbacks.

All Polling function definitions are located in: \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include/icp_sal_poll.h

Random Number Generation Functions

All random number generation function definitions are located in the following header files: *\$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include/icp_sal_drbg_impl.h*

User Space Access Configuration Functions

Functions that allow the configuration of user space access to the Intel® QuickAssist Technology services from processes running in user space.

All user space access configuration function definitions are located in *sicp_ROOT/* quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include/icp_sal_user.h.

User Space Heartbeat Functions

These functions allow the user space application to check the status of the firmware/hardware of the Intel® Communications Chipset 89xx Series device as part of the Heartbeat functionality.

All user space heartbeat function definitions are located in \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include/icp_sal_user.h.

Version Information Function

A function that allows the retrieval of version information related to the software and hardware being used.

The version information function definition is located in: \$ICP_ROOT/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include/icp_sal_versions.h.

Appendix B: Additional Information and Guides

The Intel quickAssist Technology APIs provide the interface to acceleration services including cryptographic and data compression functionalities. These functionalities have been documented in the following software library documentation:

Intel® QuickAssist API Sample Code

The software package contains sample code that demonstrates how to use the Intel®

QuickAssist APIs and build the structures required for various use cases.

For more details, refer to the following guides:

Intel® QuickAssist Technology API Programmer's Guide.

Intel® QuickAssist Technology Cryptographic API Reference Manual

Intel® QuickAssist Technology Data Compression API Reference Manual

To obtain these manuals, go to www.intel.com/ibl.

You will need an Intel Business Portal account and a subscription to the Electronic Design Kit (EDK).

OpenSSL Library Inclusion and Usage

The Intel Cave Creek chipset software Linux package is distributed with an OpenSSL library file. Customer applications may connect to the Services through the supported open source frameworks and associated patches.

Software packages for patches, such as OpenSSL, Linux Kernel Crypto Framework, NetKey, and IPComp are distributed separately:

Linux* Kernel Cryptographic Framework Sample Driver for Intel® QuickAssist Technology http://downloadcenter.intel.com/Detail_Desc.aspx?agr=Y&DwnldID=21196

libcrypto* (OpenSSL*) Sample Patch for Intel(R) QuickAssist Technology for Intel(R) Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software

http://downloadcenter.intel.com/Detail_Desc.aspx?agr=Y&DwnldID=19368

zlib* Sample Patch for Intel(R) QuickAssist Technology for Intel(R) Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software

http://downloadcenter.intel.com/Detail_Desc.aspx?agr=Y&DwnldID=20294

Intel Virtualization Technology

If you are using the hardware-assisted Intel® Virtualization Technology (Intel® VT) on the system, the document *"Using Intel Virtualization Technology with the Intel Communications Chipset 89xx Series Software*" provides detailed information on deploying acceleration software in a virtualized environment.

You will need an Intel Business Portal account and a subscription to the Electronic Design Kit (EDK) to access the Intel Business Portal.