

Installation Guide for Linux Release 13.0

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Chapter 1. Overview

CUDA Installation Guide for Linux

The NVIDIA CUDA Installation Guide for Linux provides comprehensive instructions for installing the CUDA Toolkit across multiple Linux distributions and architectures. CUDA® is NVIDIA's parallel computing platform that enables dramatic performance increases by harnessing GPU power for computational workloads. This guide covers four primary installation methods: package manager installation (recommended for most users, supporting RPM and DEB packages with native package management integration), runfile installation (distribution-independent standalone installer), Conda installation (for environment management), and pip wheels (Python-focused runtime installation). The guide supports major Linux distributions including Ubuntu, Red Hat Enterprise Linux, SUSE, Debian, Fedora, and specialized distributions like Amazon Linux and Azure Linux, across x86_64, ARM64-SBSA, and ARM64-Jetson architectures. Each installation method includes detailed pre-installation requirements (CUDA-capable GPU, supported OS version, GCC compiler), step-by-step procedures, and post-installation configuration including environment setup, sample verification, and integration with development tools like Nsight and CUDA-GDB.

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Chapter 2. Introduction

CUDA® is a parallel computing platform and programming model invented by NVIDIA®. It enables dramatic increases in computing performance by harnessing the power of the graphics processing unit (GPU).

CUDA was developed with several design goals in mind:

- ▶ Provide a small set of extensions to standard programming languages, like C, that enable a straightforward implementation of parallel algorithms. With CUDA C/C++, programmers can focus on the task of parallelization of the algorithms rather than spending time on their implementation
- ➤ Support heterogeneous computation where applications use both the CPU and GPU. Serial portions of applications are run on the CPU, and parallel portions are offloaded to the GPU. As such, CUDA can be incrementally applied to existing applications. The CPU and GPU are treated as separate devices that have their own memory spaces. This configuration also allows simultaneous computation on the CPU and GPU without contention for memory resources.

CUDA-capable GPUs have hundreds of cores that can collectively run thousands of computing threads. These cores have shared resources including a register file and a shared memory. The on-chip shared memory allows parallel tasks running on these cores to share data without sending it over the system memory bus.

This guide will show you how to install and check the correct operation of the CUDA development tools.

Note: Instructions for installing NVIDIA Drivers are now in the Driver installation guide.

2.1. System Requirements

To use NVIDIA CUDA on your system, you will need the following installed:

- ▶ CUDA-capable GPU
- A supported version of Linux with a gcc compiler and toolchain
- ► CUDA Toolkit (available at https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-downloads)

The CUDA development environment relies on tight integration with the host development environment, including the host compiler and C runtime libraries, and is therefore only supported on distribution versions that have been qualified for this CUDA Toolkit release.

The following table lists the supported Linux distributions. Please review the footnotes associated with the table.

Note: The value of the columns "Codename" and the architecture in parenthesis should be used to replace occurrences of the <distro> and the <arch> references across this document.

Table 1: Native Linux Distribution Support in CUDA 13.0

| Distribution | Codename | Kernel | GCC | glibc | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------|-----------|--|
| Generic amd64 systems (x86_64) | | | | | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 10 | rhel10 | 6.12.0-55 | 14.2.1 | 2.39 | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-570.12.1 | 11.5.0 | 2.34 | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 | rhel8 | 4.18.0-553 | 8.5.0 | 2.28 | |
| OpenSUSE Leap 15 SP6 | opensuse15 | 6.4.0-150600.21 | 7.5.0 | 2.38 | |
| Rocky Linux 10 | rhel10 | 6.12.0-55.21.1 | 14.2.1 | 2.39 | |
| Rocky Linux 9 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-570.12.1 | 11.5.0 | 2.34 | |
| Rocky Linux 8 | rhel8 | 4.18.0-553 | 8.5.0 | 2.28 | |
| SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP6 | sles15 | 6.4.0-150600.21 | 7.5.0 | 2.38 | |
| Ubuntu 24.04 LTS | ubuntu2404 | 6.11.0-17 | 13.3.0 | 2.39 | |
| Ubuntu 22.04 LTS | ubuntu2204 | 6.5.0-45 | 12.3.0 | 2.35 | |
| Debian 12 | debian12 | 6.1.0-32 | 12.2.0 | 2.36 | |
| Fedora 42 | fedora42 | 6.14.0-63 | 15.1.1 | 2.41 | |
| KylinOS V10 SP3 2403 | kylin10 | 4.19.90-89.11.v2401 | 10.x | 2.28 | |
| Azure Linux 2.0 (CBL Mariner 2.0) | cm2 | 5.15.158.2-1 | 11.2.0 | 2.35 | |
| Azure Linux 3.0 | azl3 | 6.6.64.2-9.azl3 | 13.2.0 | 2.38-8 | |
| Amazon Linux 2023 | amzn2023 | 6.1.82-99.168 | 11.4.1 | 2.34 | |
| Oracle Linux 9 | rhel9 | 4.18.0-553 | 11.4.1 | 2.34 | |
| Oracle Linux 8 | rhel8 | 5.14.0-427 | 8.5.0 | 2.28 | |
| Generic arm64 | systems (sbsa) | | | | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 10 | rhel10 | 6.12.0-55.7.1.el10_0 | 14.2.1 | 2.39 | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-570.17.1 | 11.5.0 | 2.35.2-63 | |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 | rhel8 | 4.18.0-553 | 8.5.0 | 2.28 | |
| SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP6 | sles15 | 6.4.0-150600.21 | 7.5.0 | 2.38 | |
| Kylin V10 SP3 2403 | kylin10 | 4.19.90-52 | 7.3.0 | 2.28 | |
| Ubuntu 24.04 LTS | ubuntu2404 | 6.8.0-55 | 13.3.0 | 2.39 | |
| Ubuntu 22.04 LTS | ubuntu2204 | 6.5.0-1019 | 11.4.0 | 2.35 | |
| GRACE only ar | m64 systems (sbsa) |) | | | |
| Azure Linux 3.0 | azl3 | 6.6.64.2-9.azl3 | 13.2.0 | 2.38-8 | |
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| Distribution | Codename | Kernel | GCC | glibc |
|---|--------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|
| Amazon Linux 2023 | amzn2023 | 6.12.16-18 | 11.4.1 | 2.34 |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 10 | rhel10 | 6.12.0-55.9.1.el10_0 | 14.2.1 | 2.39 |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.4 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-427 | 11.4.1 | 2.34 |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.5 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-494 | 11.5.0 | 2.34 |
| Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.6 | rhel9 | 5.14.0-570.28.1 | 11.5.0 | 2.34 |
| SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP6 | sles15 | 6.4.0-150600.21-64kb | 7.5.0 | 2.38 |
| Ubuntu 24.04 LTS | ubuntu2404 | 6.8.0-1031-nvidia-64k | 13.2.0 | 2.39 |
| Ubuntu 22.04 LTS | ubuntu2204 | 6.8.0-1030-nvidia-64k | 11.4.0 | 2.35 |
| arm64 sbsa Je | etson (dGPU) | | | |
| Ubuntu 22.04 LTS - Rel36 - JP6.x | ubuntu2204 | 5.15.136-tegra | 11.4.0 | 2.35 |
| arm64 sbsa Jetson (dGPU + iGPU with OpenRM) | | | | |
| Ubuntu 24.04 LTS Rel37 - JP7.x | native | 6.8.12-tegra | 13.3.0 | 2.39 |
| Ubuntu 24.04 LTS Rel37 - JP7.x | cross | 6.11.0-28-generic | 13.3.0 | 2.39 |

For specific kernel versions supported on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), visit https://access.redhat.com/articles/3078.

A list of kernel versions including the release dates for SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) is available at https://www.suse.com/support/kb/doc/?id=000019587.

2.2. OS Support Policy

Support for the different operating systems will be until the standard EOSS/EOL date as defined for each operating system. Please refer to the support lifecycle for these operating systems to know their support timelines and plan to move to newer releases accordingly.

CUDA supports the latest Fedora release version. The version supported might require a specific GCC compatibility package. For Fedora release timelines, visit https://docs.fedoraproject.org/en-US/releases/.

CUDA supports a single KylinOS release version. For details, visit https://www.kylinos.cn/.

Refer to the support lifecycle for these supported OSes to know their support timelines and plan to move to newer releases accordingly.

2.3. Host Compiler Support Policy

In order to compile the CPU "Host" code in the CUDA source, the CUDA compiler NVCC requires a compatible host compiler to be installed on the system. The version of the host compiler supported on Linux platforms is tabulated as below. NVCC performs a version check on the host compiler's major version and so newer minor versions of the compilers listed below will be supported, but major versions falling outside the range will not be supported.

| Table 1. Capper to a Compiler | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----|-------------|
| Distribution | GCC | Clang | NVHPC | XLC | ArmC/C++ |
| x86_64 | 6.x - 15.x | 7.x – 20.x | 24.9–25.5 | No | No |
| Arm64 sbsa | 6.x - 15.x | 7.x – 20.x | 24.9–25.5 | No | 24.04-24.10 |

Table 2: Supported Compilers

For GCC and Clang, the preceding table indicates the minimum version and the latest version supported. If you are on a Linux distribution that may use an older version of GCC toolchain as default than what is listed above, it is recommended to upgrade to a newer toolchain CUDA 11.0 or later toolkit. Newer GCC toolchains are available with the Red Hat Developer Toolset for example. For platforms that ship a compiler version older than GCC 6 by default, linking to static or dynamic libraries that are shipped with the CUDA Toolkit is not supported. We only support libstdc++ (GCC's implementation) for all the supported host compilers for the platforms listed above.

2.3.1. Host Compiler Compatibility Packages

Really up to date distributions might ship with a newer compiler than what is covered by the Supported Compilers table above. Usually, those distribution also provide a GCC compatibility package that can be used instead of the default one.

Depending on the distribution, the package that needs to be installed is different, but the logic for configuring it is the same. If required, configuration steps are described in the relevant section for the specific Linux distribution, but they always end up with configuring the NVCC_BIN environment variable as described in the NVCC documentation.

2.3.2. Supported C++ Dialects

NVCC and NVRTC (CUDA Runtime Compiler) support the following C++ dialect: C++11, C++14, C++17, C++20 on supported host compilers. The default C++ dialect of NVCC is determined by the default dialect of the host compiler used for compilation. Refer to host compiler documentation and the CUDA Programming Guide for more details on language support.

C++20 is supported with the following flavors of host compiler in both host and device code.

| GCC | Clang | NVHPC | Arm C/C++ |
|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| >=10.x | >=11.x | >=22.x | >=22.x |

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2.4. About This Document

This document is intended for readers familiar with the Linux environment and the compilation of C programs from the command line. You do not need previous experience with CUDA or experience with parallel computation.

2.4.1. Administrative Privileges

- ► Commands which can be executed as a normal user will be prefixed by a \$ at the beginning of the line
- ► Commands which require administrative privilege (root) will be prefixed by a # at the beginning of the line

Many commands in this document might require *superuser* privileges. On most distributions of Linux, this will require you to log in as root. For systems that have enabled the sudo package, use the sudo prefix or a sudo shell (sudo -i) for all the necessary commands.

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Chapter 3. Pre-installation Actions

Some actions must be taken before the CUDA Toolkit can be installed on Linux:

- ▶ Verify the system has a CUDA-capable GPU.
- ▶ Verify the system is running a supported version of Linux.
- Verify the system has gcc installed.
- Download the NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit.
- Handle conflicting installation methods.

Note: You can override the install-time prerequisite checks by running the installer with the -override flag. Remember that the prerequisites will still be required to use the NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit.

3.1. Verify You Have a CUDA-Capable GPU

To verify that your GPU is CUDA-capable, go to your distribution's equivalent of System Properties, or, from the command line, enter:

```
$ lspci | grep -i nvidia
```

If you do not see any settings, update the PCI hardware database that Linux maintains by entering update-pciids (generally found in /sbin) at the command line and rerun the previous lspci command.

If your graphics card is from NVIDIA and it is listed in https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-gpus, your GPU is CUDA-capable. The Release Notes for the CUDA Toolkit also contain a list of supported products.

3.2. Verify You Have a Supported Version of Linux

The CUDA Development Tools are only supported on some specific distributions of Linux. These are listed in the CUDA Toolkit release notes.

To determine which distribution and release number you're running, type the following at the command line:

\$ hostnamectl

3.3. Verify the System Has gcc Installed

The gcc compiler is required for development using the CUDA Toolkit. It is not required for running CUDA applications. It is generally installed as part of the Linux installation, and in most cases the version of gcc installed with a supported version of Linux will work correctly.

To verify the version of gcc installed on your system, type the following on the command line:

gcc --version

If an error message displays, you need to install the development tools from your Linux distribution or obtain a version of gcc and its accompanying toolchain from the Web.

3.4. Choose an Installation Method

The CUDA Toolkit can be installed using either of two different installation mechanisms: distribution-specific packages (RPM and Deb packages), or a distribution-independent package (runfile packages).

The distribution-independent package has the advantage of working across a wider set of Linux distributions, but does not update the distribution's native package management system. The distribution-specific packages interface with the distribution's native package management system. It is recommended to use the distribution-specific packages, where possible.

Note: For both native as well as cross development, the toolkit must be installed using the distribution-specific installer. See the *CUDA Cross-Platform Installation* section for more details.

3.5. Download the NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit

The NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit is available at https://developer.nvidia.com/cuda-downloads.

Choose the platform you are using and download the NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit. The CUDA Toolkit contains the tools needed to create, build and run a CUDA application as well as libraries, header files, and other resources.

Download Verification

If you are using the local stand alone or run file installer, the download can be verified by comparing the MD5 checksum posted at https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/13.0.0/docs/sidebar/md5sum.txt with that of the downloaded file. If either of the checksums differ, the downloaded file is corrupt and needs to be downloaded again.

To calculate the MD5 checksum of the downloaded file, run the following:

md5sum <file>

3.6. Handle Conflicting Installation Methods

Before installing CUDA, any previous installations that could conflict should be uninstalled. This will not affect systems which have not had CUDA installed previously, or systems where the installation method has been preserved (RPM/Deb vs. Runfile). See the following charts for specifics.

Table 3: CUDA Toolkit Installation Compatibility Matrix

| | | Installed Toolkit Version == X.Y | | Installed Toolkit Version != X.Y | |
|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| | | RPM/deb | run | RPM/deb | run |
| Installing Toolkit Version | RPM/deb | No Action | Uninstall Run | No Action | No Action |
| X.Y | run | Uninstall RPM/deb | Uninstall Run | No Action | No Action |

Use the following command to uninstall a Toolkit runfile installation:

/usr/local/cuda-X.Y/bin/cuda-uninstaller

Use the following commands to uninstall an RPM/Deb installation:

Red Hat Enterprise Linux, Rocky Linux, Oracle Linux, Fedora, KylinOS, Amazon Linux:

dnf remove <package_name>

Azure Linux:

tdnf remove <package_name>

OpenSUSE Leap, SUSE Linux Enterprise Server:

zypper remove <package_name>

Debian / Ubuntu:

apt --purge remove <package_name>

Chapter 4. Package Manager Installation

Basic instructions can be found in the Quick Start Guide. Read on for more detailed instructions.

4.1. Overview

Installation using RPM or Debian packages interfaces with your system's package management system. When using RPM or Debian local repo installers, the downloaded package contains a repository snapshot stored on the local filesystem in /var/. Such a package only informs the package manager where to find the actual installation packages, but will not install them.

If the online network repository is enabled, RPM or Debian packages will be automatically downloaded at installation time using the package manager: apt-get, dnf, tdnf, or zypper.

Distribution-specific instructions detail how to install CUDA:

- ► Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux
- ► KylinOS
- ► Fedora
- ► SUSE Linux Enterprise Server
- ▶ OpenSUSE Leap
- ► Windows Subsystem for Linux
- **▶** Ubuntu
- ▶ Debian
- Amazon Linux
- ► Azure Linux

Finally, some helpful package manager capabilities are detailed.

These instructions are for native development only. For cross-platform development, see the CUDA Cross-Platform Environment section.

Note: Optional components such as nvidia-fs, libnvidia-nscq, and fabricmanager are not installed by default and will have to be installed separately as needed.

4.2. Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux

4.2.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Satisfy third-party package dependencies by enabling optional repositories:
 - ► Red Hat Enterprise Linux 10:

Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9:

```
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-9-for-<arch>-appstream-rpms
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-9-for-<arch>-baseos-rpms
# subscription-manager repos --enable=codeready-builder-for-rhel-9-<arch>-rpms
```

Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8:

```
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-8-for-<arch>-appstream-rpms
# subscription-manager repos --enable=rhel-8-for-<arch>-baseos-rpms
# subscription-manager repos --enable=codeready-builder-for-rhel-8-<arch>-rpms
```

► Rocky Linux 9/10:

```
# dnf config-manager --set-enabled crb
```

Rocky Linux 8:

```
# dnf config-manager --set-enabled powertools
```

Oracle Linux 9:

```
# dnf config-manager --set-enabled ol9_codeready_builder
```

Oracle Linux 8:

```
# dnf config-manager --set-enabled ol8_codeready_builder
```

3. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.2.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.<arch>.rpm
```

4.2.3. Network Repository Installation

Enable the network repository:

```
# dnf config-manager --add-repo https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/
→repos/<distro>/<arch>/cuda-<distro>.repo
```

4.2.4. Common Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installations.

1. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# dnf install cuda-toolkit
```

2. Install GPUDirect Filesystem:

```
# dnf install nvidia-gds
```

3. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

4. Perform the post-installation actions.

4.3. KylinOS

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- 1. Perform the *pre-installation actions*.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

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4.3.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.<arch>.rpm

4.3.3. Network Repository Installation

Enable the network repository:

dnf config-manager --add-repo https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/
→repos/<distro>/<arch>/cuda-<distro>.repo

4.3.4. Common Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation.

- 1. Install CUDA SDK:
 - # dnf install cuda-toolkit
- 2. Install GPUDirect Filesystem:
 - # dnf install nvidia-gds
- 3. Reboot the system:
 - # reboot
- 4. Perform the post-installation actions.

4.4. Fedora

4.4.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the *pre-installation actions*.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.4.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.x86_64.rpm
```

4.4.3. Network Repository Installation

Enable the network repository:

```
# dnf config-manager addrepo --from-repofile=https://developer.download.nvidia.com/

--compute/cuda/repos/<distro>/x86_64/cuda-<distro>.repo
```

4.4.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for Fedora.

1. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# dnf install cuda-toolkit
```

2. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

3. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.4.5. GCC Compatibility Package for Fedora

The Fedora version supported might ship with a newer compiler than what is actually supported by NVCC. This can be overcome by installing the GCC compatibility package and setting a few environment variables.

As an example, Fedora 41 ships with GCC 14 and also with a compatible GCC 13 version, which can be used for NVCC. To install and configure the local NVCC binary to use that version, proceed as follows.

1. Install the packages required:

```
# dnf install gcc13-c++
```

The binaries then appear on the system in the following way:

```
/usr/bin/gcc-13
/usr/bin/g++-13
```

2. Override the default g++ compiler. Refer to the documentation for NVCC regarding the environment variables. For example:

```
$ export NVCC_CCBIN='g++-13'
```

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4.5. SUSE Linux Enterprise Server

4.5.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.5.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.<arch>.rpm
```

4.5.3. Network Repository Installation

1. Enable the network repository:

2. Refresh Zypper repository cache:

```
# SUSEConnect --product PackageHub/<SLES version number>/<arch>
# zypper refresh
```

4.5.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for SUSE Linux Enterprise Server.

1. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# zypper install cuda-toolkit
```

2. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

3. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.6. OpenSUSE Leap

4.6.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.6.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.x86_64.rpm
```

4.6.3. Network Repository Installation

1. Enable the network repository:

2. Refresh Zypper repository cache:

```
# zypper refresh
```

4.6.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for OpenSUSE Leap.

1. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# zypper install cuda-toolkit
```

2. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

3. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.7. Windows Subsystem for Linux

These instructions must be used if you are installing in a WSL environment.

4.7.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.7.2. Local Repository Installation

1. Install local repository on file system:

```
# dpkg -i cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local_<version>*_amd64.deb
```

2. Enroll ephemeral public GPG key:

```
# cp /var/cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local/cuda-*-keyring.gpg /usr/share/keyrings/
```

3. Add pin file to prioritize CUDA repository:

4.7.3. Network Repository Installation

Install the cuda-keyring package:

4.7.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for WSL.

1. Update the Apt repository cache:

```
# apt update
```

2. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# apt install cuda-toolkit
```

3. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.8. Ubuntu

4.8.1. Prepare Ubuntu

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.8.2. Local Repository Installation

1. Install local repository on file system:

```
# dpkg -i cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local_<version>*_<arch>.deb
```

2. Enroll ephemeral public GPG key:

```
# cp /var/cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local/cuda-*-keyring.gpg /usr/share/keyrings/
```

3. Add pin file to prioritize CUDA repository:

4.8.3. Network Repository Installation

Install the cuda-keyring package:

```
# dpkg -i cuda-keyring_1.1-1_all.deb
```

4.8.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for Ubuntu.

1. Update the APT repository cache:

```
# apt update
```

2. Install CUDA SDK:

Note: These two commands must be executed separately.

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```
# apt install cuda-toolkit
```

To include all GDS packages:

```
# apt install nvidia-gds
```

For native arm64-jetson repositories, install the additional packages:

```
# apt install cuda-compat
```

3. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

4. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.9. Debian

4.9.1. Preparation

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Enable the contrib repository:

```
# add-apt-repository contrib
```

3. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.9.2. Local Repository Installation

1. Install local repository on file system:

```
# dpkg -i cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local_<version>*_amd64.deb
```

2. Enroll public GPG key:

```
# cp /var/cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local/cuda-*-keyring.gpg /usr/share/keyrings/
```

4.9.3. Network Repository Installation

Install the cuda-keyring package:

4.9.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for Debian.

1. Update the APT repository cache:

```
# apt update
```

2. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# apt install cuda-toolkit
```

3. Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

4. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

4.10. Amazon Linux

4.10.1. Prepare Amazon Linux

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.10.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.x86_64.rpm
```

4.10.3. Network Repository Installation

Enable the network repository:

```
# dnf config-manager --add-repo https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/
→repos/<distro>/x86_64/cuda-<distro>.repo
```

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4.10.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for Amazon Linux.

1. Install CUDA SDK:

```
# dnf install cuda-toolkit
```

2. Install GPUDirect Filesystem:

```
# dnf install nvidia-gds
```

Reboot the system:

```
# reboot
```

4. Perform the post-installation actions.

4.11. Azure Linux

4.11.1. Prepare Azure Linux

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Repository Installation or Network Repository Installation.

4.11.2. Local Repository Installation

Install local repository on file system:

```
# rpm --install cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.x86_64.rpm
```

4.11.3. Network Repository Installation

Enable the network repository:

```
# curl https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/repos/<distro>/x86_64/cuda-

→<distro>.repo -o /etc/yum.repos.d/cuda-<distro>.repo
```

4.11.4. Common Installation Instructions

These instructions apply to both local and network installation for Azure Linux.

1. Enable the extended repository:

Azure Linux 2 (CBL Mariner 2.0):

tdnf install mariner-repos-extended

Azure Linux 3:

- # tdnf install azurelinux-repos-extended
- 2. Install Cuda SDK:
 - # tdnf install cuda-toolkit
- 3. Install GPUDirect Filesystem:
 - # tdnf install nvidia-gds
- Reboot the system:
 - # reboot
- 5. Perform the post-installation-actions.

4.12. Additional Package Manager Capabilities

Below are some additional capabilities of the package manager that users can take advantage of.

4.12.1. Available Packages

The recommended installation package is the cuda-toolkit package. This package will install the full set of other CUDA packages required for native development and should cover most scenarios. This includes the compiler, the debugger, the profiler, the math libraries, and so on. For x86_64 platforms, this also includes Nsight Eclipse Edition and the visual profilers.

On supported platforms, the cuda-cross-aarch64 and cuda-cross-sbsa packages install all the packages required for cross-platform development to arm64-jetson and SBSA, respectively.

Note: 32-bit compilation native and cross-compilation is removed from CUDA 12.0 and later Toolkit. Use the CUDA Toolkit from earlier releases for 32-bit compilation. Hopper does not support 32-bit applications.

The packages installed by the packages above can also be installed individually by specifying their names explicitly. The list of available packages be can obtained with:

Amazon Linux / Fedora / KylinOS / Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux:

```
# dnf --disablerepo="*" --enablerepo="cuda*" list
```

Azure Linux:

tdnf --disablerepo="*" --enablerepo="cuda-cm2-<cuda X-Y version>-local" list

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server / openSUSE Leap:

zypper packages -r cuda

Debian / Ubuntu:

cat /var/lib/apt/lists/*cuda*Packages | grep "Package:"

4.12.2. Meta Packages

Meta packages are RPM/Deb/Conda packages which contain no (or few) files but have multiple dependencies. They are used to install many CUDA packages when you may not know the details of the packages you want. The following table lists the meta packages.

Table 4: Meta Packages Available for CUDA 13.0

| Meta Package | Purpose |
|-----------------------------|---|
| cuda | Installs all CUDA Toolkit and driver packages with a full desktop experience. Installs also the next version of the cuda package when it's released. |
| cuda-13.0 | Installs all CUDA Toolkit and driver packages at the version specified until an additional version of CUDA is installed. |
| cuda-toolkit | Installs all CUDA Toolkit packages with a full desktop experience. Installs also the next version of the cuda-toolkit package when it's released. |
| cuda-toolkit-13 | Installs all CUDA Toolkit packages with a full desktop experience. Will not upgrade beyond the 13.x series toolkits. |
| cuda-toolkit-13 | Installs all CUDA Toolkit packages with a full desktop experienc at the version specified until an additional version of CUDA is installed. |
| cuda-tools-13.0 | Installs all CUDA command line and visual tools. Will not upgrade beyond the 13.x series toolkits. |
| cuda-runtime- 13.0 | Installs all CUDA Toolkit packages required to run CUDA applications and driver, without any desktop component. Specific for compute nodes |
| cuda-compiler- 13.0 | Installs all CUDA compiler packages. |
| cuda-libraries- 13.0 | Installs all runtime CUDA Library packages. |
| cuda-libraries- dev-13.0 | Installs all development CUDA Library packages. |

4.12.3. Package Upgrades

The cuda package points to the latest stable release of the CUDA Toolkit. When a new version is available, use the following commands to upgrade the toolkit:

4.12.3.1 Amazon Linux

dnf upgrade cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.2 Fedora

When upgrading the toolkit to a new major branch:

dnf install cuda-toolkit

When upgrading the toolkit to a new **minor** branch:

dnf upgrade cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.3 KylinOS / Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux

dnf install cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.4 Azure Linux

tdnf install cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.5 OpenSUSE / SUSE Linux Enterprise Server

zypper install cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.6 Debian / Ubuntu

apt install cuda-toolkit

4.12.3.7 Other Package Notes

The cuda-cross-aarch64, cuda-cross-sbsa and cuda-cross-qnx packages can also be upgraded in the same manner.

To avoid any automatic upgrade, and lock down the toolkit installation to the X.Y release, install the cuda-toolkit-X-Y or cuda-cross-<arch>-X-Y package.

Side-by-side installations are supported. As described in the *Meta Packages* section, depending on the package you can avoid the upgrades or get the new version installed automatically.

Chapter 5. Driver Installation

More information about driver installation can be found in the Driver Installation Guide for Linux

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Chapter 6. Runfile Installation

Basic instructions can be found in the Quick Start Guide. Read on for more detailed instructions.

This section describes the installation and configuration of CUDA when using the standalone installer. The standalone installer is a . run file and is completely self-contained.

6.1. Runfile Overview

The Runfile installation installs the CUDA Toolkit via an interactive neurses-based interface.

The *installation steps* are listed below.

Finally, advanced options for the installer and uninstallation steps are detailed below.

The Runfile installation does not include support for cross-platform development. For cross-platform development, see the *CUDA Cross-Platform Environment* section.

6.2. Installation

- 1. Perform the *pre-installation actions*.
- 2. Reboot into text mode (runlevel 3).

This can usually be accomplished by adding the number "3" to the end of the system's kernel boot parameters.

Since the NVIDIA drivers are not yet installed, the text terminals may not display correctly. Temporarily adding "nomodeset" to the system's kernel boot parameters may fix this issue.

Consult your system's bootloader documentation for information on how to make the above boot parameter changes.

3. Run the installer and follow the on-screen prompts:

sh cuda_<version>_linux.run

The installer will prompt for the following:

- EULA Acceptance
- ► CUDA Toolkit installation, location, and /usr/local/cuda symbolic link

The default installation location for the toolkit is /usr/local/cuda-13.0:

The /usr/local/cuda symbolic link points to the location where the CUDA Toolkit was installed. This link allows projects to use the latest CUDA Toolkit without any configuration file update.

The installer must be executed with sufficient privileges to perform some actions. When the current privileges are insufficient to perform an action, the installer will ask for the user's password to attempt to install with root privileges. Actions that cause the installer to attempt to install with root privileges are:

- ▶ installing the CUDA Toolkit to a location the user does not have permission to write to
- creating the /usr/local/cuda symbolic link

Running the installer with **sudo**, as shown above, will give permission to install to directories that require root permissions. Directories and files created while running the installer with **sudo** will have root ownership.

- 4. Reboot the system to reload the graphical interface:
 - # reboot
- 5. Perform the *post-installation actions*.

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6.3. Advanced Options

| Action | Options Used | Explanation |
|---|--|---|
| Silent Installation | silent | Required for any silent installation. Performs an installation with no further user-input and minimal command-line output based on the options provided below. Silent installations are useful for scripting the installation of CUDA. Using this option implies acceptance of the EULA. The following flags can be used to customize the actions taken during installation. At least one ofdriver,uninstall, andtoolkit must be passed if running with non-root permissions. |
| | driver | Install the CUDA Driver. |
| | toolkit | Install the CUDA Toolkit. |
| | toolkitpath= <path></path> | Install the CUDA Toolkit to the <path> directory. If not provided, the default path of / usr/local/cuda-13.0 is used.</path> |
| | defaultroot= <path></path> | Install libraries to the <path> directory. If the <path> is not provided, then the default path of your distribution is used. This only applies to the libraries installed outside of the CUDA Toolkit path.</path></path> |
| Extraction | extract= <path></path> | Extracts to the <path> the following: the driver runfile, the raw files of the toolkit to <path>. This is especially useful when one wants to install the driver using one or more of the command-line options provided by the driver installer which are not exposed in this installer.</path></path> |
| Overriding Installation Checks | override | Ignores compiler, third-party library, and toolkit detection checks which would prevent the CUDA Toolkit from installing. |
| No OpenGL Libraries | no-opengl-libs | Prevents the driver installation from installing NVIDIA's GL libraries. Useful for systems where the display is driven by a non-NVIDIA GPU. In such systems, NVIDIA's GL libraries could prevent X from loading properly. |
| No man pages | no-man-page | Do not install the man pages under /usr/share/man. |
| Overriding Kernel Source | kernel-source-path= <pat< td=""><td>hrells the driver installation to use <path> as the kernel source directory when building the NVIDIA kernel module. Required for systems where the kernel source is installed to a non-standard location.</path></td></pat<> | hrells the driver installation to use <path> as the kernel source directory when building the NVIDIA kernel module. Required for systems where the kernel source is installed to a non-standard location.</path> |
| 6R Jn Aidwancedi@ati xconfig | ons run-nvidia-xconfig | Tells the driver installation to run nvidiæ3 xconfig to update the system X configuration file so that the NVIDIA X driver is used. The pre-existing X configuration file will be backed |

6.4. Uninstallation

To uninstall the CUDA Toolkit, run the uninstallation script provided in the bin directory of the toolkit. By default, it is located in /usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin:

/usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin/cuda-uninstaller

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Chapter 7. Conda Installation

This section describes the installation and configuration of CUDA when using the Conda installer. The Conda packages are available at https://anaconda.org/nvidia.

7.1. Conda Overview

The Conda installation installs the CUDA Toolkit. The installation steps are listed below.

7.2. Installing CUDA Using Conda

To perform a basic install of all CUDA Toolkit components using Conda, run the following command:

\$ conda install cuda -c nvidia

Note: Install CUDA in a dedicated Conda environment instead of the base environment to avoid installation issues.

7.3. Uninstalling CUDA Using Conda

To uninstall the CUDA Toolkit using Conda, run the following command:

\$ conda remove cuda

7.4. Installing Previous CUDA Releases

All Conda packages released under a specific CUDA version are labeled with that release version. To install a previous version, include that label in the install command such as:

\$ conda install cuda -c nvidia/label/cuda-12.4.0

7.5. Upgrading from cudatoolkit Package

If you had previously installed CUDA using the cudatoolkit package and want to maintain a similar install footprint, you can limit your installation to the following packages:

- ▶ cuda-libraries-dev
- ▶ cuda-nvcc
- ▶ cuda-nvtx
- ▶ cuda-cupti

Note: Some extra files, such as headers, will be included in this installation which were not included in the cudatoolkit package. If you need to reduce your installation further, replace cuda-libraries-dev with the specific libraries you need.

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Chapter 8. Pip Wheels

NVIDIA provides Python Wheels for installing CUDA through pip, primarily for using CUDA with Python. These packages are intended for runtime use and do not currently include developer tools (these can be installed separately).

Please note that with this installation method, CUDA installation environment is managed via pip and additional care must be taken to set up your host environment to use CUDA outside the pip environment.

8.1. Prerequisites

To install Wheels, you must first install the nvidia-pyindex package, which is required in order to set up your pip installation to fetch additional Python modules from the NVIDIA NGC PyPI repo. If your pip and setuptools Python modules are not up-to-date, then use the following command to upgrade these Python modules. If these Python modules are out-of-date then the commands which follow later in this section may fail.

```
$ python3 -m pip install --upgrade setuptools pip wheel
```

You should now be able to install the nvidia-pyindex module.

```
$ python3 -m pip install nvidia-pyindex
```

If your project is using a requirements.txt file, then you can add the following line to your requirements.txt file as an alternative to installing the nvidia-pyindex package:

```
--extra-index-url https://pypi.org/simple
```

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Install the CUDA runtime package:

```
$ python3 -m pip install nvidia-cuda-runtime-cu12
```

Optionally, install additional packages as listed below using the following command:

```
$ python3 -m pip install nvidia-<library>
```

8.3. Metapackages

The following metapackages will install the latest version of the named component on Linux for the indicated CUDA version. "cu12" should be read as "cuda12".

- ▶ nvidia-cublas-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-cccl-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-cupti-cu12
- nvidia-cuda-nvcc-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-nvrtc-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-opencl-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-runtime-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-sanitizer-api-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cufft-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-curand-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cusolver-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-cusparse-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-npp-cu12
- nvidia-nvfatbin-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-nvjitlink-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-nvjpeg-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-nvml-dev-cu12
- ▶ nvidia-nvtx-cu12

These metapackages install the following packages:

- ▶ nvidia-cublas-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-cccl-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-cupti-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-nvcc-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-nvrtc-cu129
- nvidia-cuda-opencl-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cuda-runtime-cu129
- nvidia-cuda-sanitizer-api-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cufft-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-curand-cu129
- nvidia-cusolver-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-cusparse-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-npp-cu129

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- ▶ nvidia-nvfatbin-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-nvjitlink-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-nvjpeg-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-nvml-dev-cu129
- ▶ nvidia-nvtx-cu129

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Chapter 9. CUDA Cross-Platform Environment

Cross development for arm64-sbsa is supported on Ubuntu 20.04, Ubuntu 22.04, Ubuntu 24.04, KylinOS 10, Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8, Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9, and SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15.

Cross development for arm64-jetson is only supported on Ubuntu 22.04.

We recommend selecting a host development environment that matches the supported cross-target environment. This selection helps prevent possible host/target incompatibilities, such as gcc or glibc version mismatches.

9.1. CUDA Cross-Platform Installation

Some of the following steps may have already been performed as part of the *native installation sections*. Such steps can safely be skipped.

These steps should be performed on the x86_64 host system, rather than the target system. To install the native CUDA Toolkit on the target system, refer to the native installation sections in *Package Manager Installation*.

9.1.1. Ubuntu

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions.
- 2. Choose an installation method: *Local Cross Repository Installation* or *Network Cross Repository Installation*.

9.1.1.1 Local Cross Repository Installation

1. Install repository meta-data package with:

```
# dpkg -i cuda-repo-cross-<arch>-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*_all.deb
```

9.1.1.2 Network Cross Repository Installation

Install the cuda-keyring package:

9.1.1.3 Common Installation Instructions

1. Update the APT repository cache:

apt update

- 1. Install the appropriate cross-platform CUDA Toolkit:
 - a. For arm64-sbsa:

```
# apt install cuda-cross-sbsa
```

b. For arm64-jetson:

```
# apt install cuda-cross-aarch64
```

c. For QNX:

```
# apt install cuda-cross-qnx
```

2. Perform the Post-installation Actions.

9.1.2. Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Cross Repository Installation or Network Cross Repository Installation.

9.1.2.1 Local Cross Repository Installation

1. Install repository meta-data package with:

```
# rpm -i cuda-repo-cross-<arch>-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.noarch.rpm
```

9.1.2.2 Network Cross Repository Installation

1. Enable the network repository:

```
# dnf config-manager --add-repo https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/
-cuda/repos/<distro>/cross-linux-<arch>/cuda-<distro>-cross-linux-sbsa.repo
```

9.1.2.3 Common Installation Instructions

1. Install the CUDA SDK:

```
# dnf install cuda-cross-sbsa
```

9.1.3. SUSE Linux Enterprise Server

- 1. Perform the Pre-installation Actions
- 2. Choose an installation method: Local Cross Repository Installation or Network Cross Repository Installation.

9.1.3.1 Local Cross Repository Installation

1. Install repository meta-data package with:

```
# rpm -i cuda-repo-cross-<arch>-<distro>-X-Y-local-<version>*.noarch.rpm
```

9.1.3.2 Network Cross Repository Installation

1. Enable the network repo:

9.1.3.3 Common Installation Instructions

1. Refresh Zypper repository cache:

zypper refresh

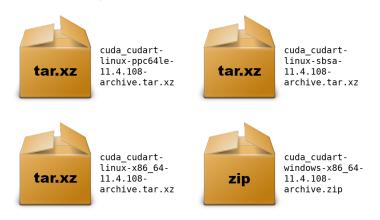
2. Install CUDA SDK:

zypper install cuda-cross-sbsa

Chapter 10. Tarball and Zip Archive Deliverables

In an effort to meet the needs of a growing customer base requiring alternative installer packaging formats, as well as a means of input into community CI/CD systems, tarball and zip archives are available for each component.

These tarball and zip archives, known as binary archives, are provided at https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/cuda/redist/.



These component .tar.xz and .zip binary archives do not replace existing packages such as .deb, .rpm, runfile, conda, etc. and are not meant for general consumption, as they are not installers. However this standardized approach will replace existing .txz archives.

For each release, a JSON manifest is provided such as **redistrib_11.4.2.json**, which corresponds to the CUDA 11.4.2 release label (CUDA 11.4 update 2) which includes the release date, the name of each component, license name, relative URL for each platform and checksums.

Package maintainers are advised to check the provided LICENSE for each component prior to redistribution. Instructions for developers using CMake and Bazel build systems are provided in the next sections.

10.1. Parsing Redistrib JSON

The following example of a JSON manifest contains keys for each component: name, license, version, and a platform array which includes relative_path, sha256, md5, and size (bytes) for each archive.

```
"release_date": "2021-09-07",
   "cuda_cudart": {
       "name": "CUDA Runtime (cudart)",
        "license": "CUDA Toolkit",
        "version": "11.4.108",
       "linux-x86_64": {
            "relative_path": "cuda_cudart/linux-x86_64/cuda_cudart-linux-x86_64-11.4.
→108-archive.tar.xz",
            "sha256":
"d08a1b731e5175aa3ae06a6d1c6b3059dd9ea13836d947018ea5e3ec2ca3d62b",
            "md5": "da198656b27a3559004c3b7f20e5d074",
            "size": "828300"
        "linux-ppc64le": {
            "relative_path": "cuda_cudart/linux-ppc64le/cuda_cudart-linux-ppc64le-11.

→4.108-archive.tar.xz",

            "sha256":
"831dffe062ae3ebda3d3c4010d0ee4e40a01fd5e6358098a87bb318ea7c79e0c".
            "md5": "ca73328e3f8e2bb5b1f2184c98c3a510",
            "size": "776840"
       };
"linux-sbsa": {
            "relative_path": "cuda_cudart/linux-sbsa/cuda_cudart-linux-sbsa-11.4.108-
→archive.tar.xz",
            "sha256":
"2ab9599bbaebdcf59add73d1f1a352ae619f8cb5ccec254093c98efd4c14553c",
            "md5": "aeb5c19661f06b6398741015ba368102",
            "size": "782372"
        "windows-x86_64": {
            relative_path": "cuda_cudart/windows-x86_64/cuda_cudart-windows-x86_64-"
\rightarrow11.4.108-archive.zip",
            "sha256":
→ "b59756c27658d1ea87a17c06d064d1336576431cd64da5d1790d909e455d06d3",
            "md5": "7f6837a46b78198402429a3760ab28fc",
            "size": "2897751"
   }
```

A JSON schema is provided at https://developer.download.nvidia.com/compute/redist/redistrib-v2.schema.json.

A sample script that parses these JSON manifests is available on GitHub:

- Downloads each archive
- Validates SHA256 checksums
- Extracts archives
- ► Flattens into a collapsed directory structure

Table 5: Available Tarball and Zip Archives

| Product | Example |
|---------------|---|
| CUDA Toolkit | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cudalabel 13.0.0 |
| cuBLASMp | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cublasmplabel 0.2.1 |
| cuDNN | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cudnnlabel 9.2.1 |
| cuDSS | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cudsslabel 0.3.0 |
| cuQuantum | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cuquantumlabel 24.03.0 |
| cuSPARSELt | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cusparseltlabel 0.6.2 |
| cuTENSOR | ./parse_redist.pyproduct cutensorlabel 2.0.2.1 |
| NVIDIA driver | ./parse_redist.pyproduct nvidia-driverlabel 550. 90.07 |
| nvJPEG2000 | ./parse_redist.pyproduct nvjpeg2000label 0.7.5 |
| NVPL | ./parse_redist.pyproduct nvpllabel 24.7 |
| nvTIFF | ./parse_redist.pyproduct nvtifflabel 0.3.0 |

10.2. Importing Tarballs into CMake

The recommended module for importing these tarballs into the CMake build system is via FindCUDA-Toolkit (3.17 and newer).

Note: The FindCUDA module is deprecated.

The path to the extraction location can be specified with the CUDAToolkit_ROOT environmental variable. For example CMakeLists.txt and commands, see cmake/1_FindCUDAToolkit/.

For older versions of CMake, the ExternalProject_Add module is an alternative method. For example CMakeLists.txt file and commands, see CMakeLists.txt file and commands, see CMakeLists.txt file and commands, see CMakeLists.txt file and commands, see CMakeLists.txt file and commands, see CMakeLists.

10.3. Importing Tarballs into Bazel

The recommended method of importing these tarballs into the Bazel build system is using http_archive and pkg_tar.

For an example, see bazel/1_pkg_tar/.

Chapter 11. Post-installation Actions

The post-installation actions must be manually performed. These actions are split into mandatory, recommended, and optional sections.

11.1. Mandatory Actions

Some actions must be taken after the installation before the CUDA Toolkit can be used.

11.1.1. Environment Setup

The PATH variable needs to include export PATH=/usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin\${PATH:+:\${PATH}}. Nsight Compute has moved to /opt/nvidia/nsight-compute/ only in rpm/deb installation method. When using .run installer it is still located under /usr/local/cuda-13.0/.

To add this path to the PATH variable:

\$ export PATH=\${PATH}:/usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin

In addition, when using the runfile installation method, the LD_LIBRARY_PATH variable needs to contain /usr/local/cuda-13.0/lib64 on a 64-bit system and /usr/local/cuda-13.0/lib for the 32 bit compatibility:

\$ export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=\${LD_LIBRARY_PATH}:/usr/local/cuda-13.0/lib64

Note that the above paths change when using a custom install path with the runfile installation method.

11.2. Recommended Actions

Other actions are recommended to verify the integrity of the installation.

11.2.1. Install Writable Samples

CUDA Samples are now located in https://github.com/nvidia/cuda-samples, which includes instructions for obtaining, building, and running the samples.

11.2.2. Verify the Installation

Before continuing, it is important to verify that the CUDA toolkit can find and communicate correctly with the CUDA-capable hardware. To do this, you need to compile and run some of the sample programs, located in https://github.com/nvidia/cuda-samples.

Note: Ensure the PATH and, if using the runfile installation method, LD_LIBRARY_PATH variables are set correctly.

11.2.2.1 Running the Binaries

After compilation, find and run deviceQueryfrom https://github.com/nvidia/cuda-samples. If the CUDA software is installed and configured correctly, the output for deviceQuery should look similar to that shown in Figure 1.

The exact appearance and the output lines might be different on your system. The important outcomes are that a device was found (the first highlighted line), that the device matches the one on your system (the second highlighted line), and that the test passed (the final highlighted line).

If a CUDA-capable device is installed but deviceQuery reports that no CUDA-capable devices are present, this likely means that the /dev/nvidia* files are missing or have the wrong permissions.

On systems where SELinux is enabled, you might need to temporarily disable this security feature to run deviceQuery. To do this, type:

setenforce 0

from the command line as the superuser.

Running the bandwidthTest program ensures that the system and the CUDA-capable device are able to communicate correctly. Its output is shown in *Figure 2*.

Note that the measurements for your CUDA-capable device description will vary from system to system. The important point is that you obtain measurements, and that the second-to-last line (in *Figure* 2) confirms that all necessary tests passed.

Should the tests not pass, make sure you have a CUDA-capable NVIDIA GPU on your system and make sure it is properly installed.

If you run into difficulties with the link step (such as libraries not being found), consult the Linux Release Notes found in https://github.com/nvidia/cuda-samples.

```
./deviceOuery Starting...
  CUDA Device Query (Runtime API) version (CUDART static linking)
Detected 1 CUDA Capable device(s)
 Device 0: "Tesla K20c"

CUDA Driver Version / Runtime Version

CUDA Capability Major/Minor version number:

Total amount of global memory:

(13) Multiprocessors, (192) CUDA Cores/MP:
                                                                                                6.0 / 6.0
                                                                                                4800 MBytes (5032706048 bytes)
2496 CUDA Cores
706 MHz (0.71 GHz)
    GPU Clock rate:
    Memory Clock rate:
Memory Bus Width:
                                                                                                 2600 Mhz
                                                                                                 320-bit
    L2 Cache Size:
                                                                                                 1310720 bytes
    Maximum Texture Dimension Size (x,y,z) 1D=(65536), 2D=(65536), 3D=(4096, 4096), 4096)
Maximum Layered 1D Texture Size, (num) layers 1D=(16384), 2048 layers
Maximum Layered 2D Texture Size, (num) layers 1D=(16384), 2048 layers
Total amount of constant memory: 65536 bytes
Total number of registers available per block: 65536
   Total number of registers

Warp size:

Maximum number of threads per multiprocessor:

2048

Maximum number of threads per block:

Max dimension size of a thread block (x,y,z):

Max dimension size of a grid size (x,y,z):

(2147483647, 65535, 65535)

Maximum memory pitch:

2147483647 bytes
    Maximum memory pitch:
Texture alignment:
                                                                                                512 bytes
Yes with 2 copy engine(s)
    Concurrent copy and kernel execution:
Run time limit on kernels:
                                                                                                 No
    Integrated GPU sharing Host Memory:
Support host page-locked memory mapping:
Alignment requirement for Surfaces:
                                                                                                 No
                                                                                                 Yes
                                                                                                 Yes
    Device has ECC support:
Device supports Unified Addressing (UVA):
Device PCI Bus ID / PCI location ID:
                                                                                                 Enabled
                                                                                                Yes
2 / 0
          Pefault (multiple host threads can use ::cudaSetDevice() with device simultaneously) >
deviceQuery, CUDA Driver = CUDART, CUDA Driver Version = 6.0, CUDA Runtime Version = 6.0, NumDevs = 1, Device0 = Tesla K20c
Result = PASS
```

Figure 1: Valid Results from deviceQuery CUDA Sample

```
[CUDA Bandwidth Test] - Starting...
Running on...
 Device 0: Quadro K5000
 Ouick Mode
 Host to Device Bandwidth, 1 Device(s)
 PINNED Memory Transfers
   Transfer Size (Bytes)
                                Bandwidth(MB/s)
   33554432
                                5798.4
 Device to Host Bandwidth, 1 Device(s)
 PINNED Memory Transfers
   Transfer Size (Bytes)
                                Bandwidth(MB/s)
   33554432
 Device to Device Bandwidth, 1 Device(s)
 PINNED Memory Transfers
   Transfer Size (Bytes)
                                Bandwidth(MB/s)
   33554432
                                133606.8
Result = PASS
```

Figure 2: Valid Results from bandwidthTest CUDA Sample

11.2.3. Install Nsight Eclipse Plugins

To install Nsight Eclipse plugins, an installation script is provided:

\$ /usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin/nsight_ee_plugins_manage.sh install <eclipse-dir>

Refer to Nsight Eclipse Plugins Installation Guide for more details.

11.2.4. Local Repo Removal

Removal of the local repo installer is recommended after installation of CUDA SDK.

Debian / Ubuntu

```
# apt-get remove --purge "cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local*"
```

Amazon Linux / Fedora / KylinOS / RHEL / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux

```
# dnf remove "cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local*"
```

Azure Linux

```
# tdnf remove "cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local*"
```

OpenSUSE / SLES

```
# zypper remove "cuda-repo-<distro>-X-Y-local*"
```

11.3. Optional Actions

Other options are not necessary to use the CUDA Toolkit, but are available to provide additional features.

11.3.1. Install Third-party Libraries

Some CUDA samples use third-party libraries which may not be installed by default on your system. These samples attempt to detect any required libraries when building.

If a library is not detected, it waives itself and warns you which library is missing. To build and run these samples, you must install the missing libraries. In cases where these dependencies are not installed, follow the instructions below.

Amazon Linux / Fedora / KylinOS / RHEL / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux

dnf install freeglut-devel libX11-devel libXi-devel libXmu-devel make mesa-libGLU-devel freeimage-devel libglfw3-devel

SLES

zypper install libglut3 libX11-devel libXi6 libXmu6 libGLU1 make

OpenSUSE

zypper install freeglut-devel libX11-devel libXi-devel libXmu-devel make Mesa-libGL-→devel freeimage-devel

Debian / Ubuntu

apt-get install g++ freeglut3-dev build-essential libx11-dev libxmu-dev libxi-dev →libglu1-mesa-dev libfreeimage-dev libglfw3-dev

11.3.2. Install the Source Code for cuda-gdb

The cuda-gdb source must be explicitly selected for installation with the runfile installation method. During the installation, in the component selection page, expand the component "CUDA Tools 13.0" and select cuda-gdb-src for installation. It is unchecked by default.

To obtain a copy of the source code for cuda-gdb using the RPM and Debian installation methods, the cuda-gdb-src package must be installed.

The source code is installed as a tarball in the /usr/local/cuda-13.0/extras directory.

11.3.3. Select the Active Version of CUDA

For applications that rely on the symlinks /usr/local/cuda and /usr/local/cuda-MAJOR, you may wish to change to a different installed version of CUDA using the provided alternatives.

To show the active version of CUDA and all available versions:

\$ update-alternatives --display cuda

To show the active minor version of a given major CUDA release:

\$ update-alternatives --display cuda-12

To update the active version of CUDA:

update-alternatives --config cuda

Chapter 12. Removing CUDA Toolkit

Follow the below steps to properly uninstall the CUDA Toolkit from your system. These steps will ensure that the uninstallation will be clean.

Amazon Linux / Fedora / Kylin OS / Red Hat Enterprise Linux / Rocky Linux / Oracle Linux:

Azure Linux:

And then to clean up the uninstall:

```
# tdnf autoremove
```

OpenSUSE / SUSE Linux Enterprise Server:

Debian / Ubuntu:

```
# apt remove --purge "*cuda*" "*cublas*" "*cufft*" "*cufile*" "*curand*" "*cusolver*"

→ "*cusparse*" "*gds-tools*" "*npp*" "*nvjpeg*" "nsight*" "*nvvm*"
```

And then to clean up the uninstall:

```
# apt autoremove --purge
```

Chapter 13. Advanced Setup

Below is information on some advanced setup scenarios which are not covered in the basic instructions above.

| Table 6: Advanced Setup Scenarios when Installing CUDA | | |
|---|--|--|
| Scenario | Instructions | |
| Install GPUDirect Storage | Refer to Installing GPUDirect Storage. GDS is supported in two different modes: ► GDS (default/full perf mode) ► Compatibility mode. Installation instructions for them differ slightly. Compatibility mode is the only mode that is supported on certain distributions due to software dependency limitations. Full GDS support is restricted to the following Linux distros: ► Ubuntu 20.04, Ubuntu 22.04, Ubuntu 24.04 ► RHEL 8.y (y <= 10), RHEL 9.y (y <= 6), and RHEL 10.0 | |
| Install CUDA to a specific directory using the Package Manager installation method. | RPM The RPM packages don't support custom install locations through the package managers (Yum and Zypper), but it is possible to install the RPM packages to a custom location using rpm'srelocate parameter: sudo rpminstallrelocate /usr/local/ cuda-13.0=/new/toolkit package.rpm You will need to install the packages in the correct dependency order; this task is normally taken care of by the package managers. For example, if package "foo" has a dependency on package "bar", you should install package "bar" first, and package "foo" second. You can check the dependencies of a RPM package as follows: rpm -qRp package.rpm Note that the driver packages cannot be relo- | |
| | cated. deb The Deb packages do not support custom install locations. It is however possible to extract the contents of the Deb packages and move the files to the desired install location. See the next scenario for more details one xtracting Deb packages. | |
| Extract the contents of the installers. | Runfile The Runfile can be extracted into the standalone Toolkit Runfiles by using theextract parameter. The Toolkit standalone Runfiles can be further extracted by running: | |
| | ./runfile.runtar mxvf | |
| | ./runfile.run -x | |
| | RPM The RPM packages can be extracted by running: | |
| 58 | rpm2cpio package.rpm cpi3. Advanced Setup deb The Deb packages can be extracted by running: | |

dpkg-deb -x package.deb output dir

Chapter 14. Additional Considerations

Now that you have CUDA-capable hardware and the NVIDIA CUDA Toolkit installed, you can examine and enjoy the numerous included programs. To begin using CUDA to accelerate the performance of your own applications, consult the CUDA C++ Programming Guide, located in /usr/local/cuda-13. θ/doc .

A number of helpful development tools are included in the CUDA Toolkit to assist you as you develop your CUDA programs, such as NVIDIA® Nsight™ Eclipse Edition, NVIDIA Visual Profiler, CUDA-GDB, and CUDA-MEMCHECK.

For technical support on programming questions, consult and participate in the developer forums at https://forums.developer.nvidia.com/c/accelerated-computing/cuda/206.

Chapter 15. Frequently Asked Questions

15.1. How do I install the Toolkit in a different location?

The Runfile installation asks where you wish to install the Toolkit during an interactive install. If installing using a non-interactive install, you can use the --toolkitpath parameter to change the install location:

./runfile.run --silent --toolkit --toolkitpath=/my/new/toolkit

The RPM and Deb packages cannot be installed to a custom install location directly using the package managers. See the "Install CUDA to a specific directory using the Package Manager installation method" scenario in the *Advanced Setup* section for more information.

15.2. Why do I see "nvcc: No such file or directory" when I try to build a CUDA application?

Your PATH environment variable is not set up correctly. Ensure that your PATH includes the bin directory where you installed the Toolkit, usually /usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin.

\$ export PATH=/usr/local/cuda-13.0/bin\${PATH:+:\${PATH}}}

15.3. Why do I see "error while loading shared libraries: lib name>: cannot open shared object file: No such file or directory" when I try to run a CUDA application that uses a CUDA library?

Your LD_LIBRARY_PATH environment variable is not set up correctly. Ensure that your LD_LIBRARY_PATH includes the lib and/or lib64 directory where you installed the Toolkit, usually /usr/local/cuda-13.0/lib{,64}:

\$ export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/usr/local/cuda-13.0/lib \${LD_LIBRARY_PATH:+:\${LD_LIBRARY_
→PATH}}

15.4. Why do I see multiple "404 Not Found" errors when updating my repository meta-data on Ubuntu?

These errors occur after adding a foreign architecture because apt is attempting to query for each architecture within each repository listed in the system's sources.list file. Repositories that do not host packages for the newly added architecture will present this error. While noisy, the error itself does no harm. Please see the *Advanced Setup* section for details on how to modify your sources. list file to prevent these errors.

15.5. How can I tell X to ignore a GPU for compute-only use?

To make sure X doesn't use a certain GPU for display, you need to specify which **other** GPU to use for display. For more information, please refer to the "Use a specific GPU for rendering the display" scenario in the Advanced Setup section.

15.6. Why doesn't the cuda-repo package install the CUDA Toolkit?

When using RPM or Deb, the downloaded package is a repository package. Such a package only informs the package manager where to find the actual installation packages, but will not install them.

See the Package Manager Installation section for more details.

15.7. How do I install an older CUDA version using a network repo?

Depending on your system configuration, you may not be able to install old versions of CUDA using the cuda metapackage. In order to install a specific version of CUDA, you may need to specify all of the packages that would normally be installed by the cuda metapackage at the version you want to install.

If you are using yum to install certain packages at an older version, the dependencies may not resolve as expected. In this case you may need to pass "--setopt=obsoletes=0" to yum to allow an install of packages which are obsoleted at a later version than you are trying to install.

15.8. How do I handle "Errors were encountered while processing: glx-diversions"?

This sometimes occurs when trying to uninstall CUDA after a clean .deb installation. Run the following commands:

```
# apt install glx-diversions --reinstall
# apt remove nvidia-alternative
```

Then re-run the commands from Removing CUDA Toolkit.

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