



NVIDIA DOCA File Integrity

Application Guide

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Chapter 1. Introduction

The file integrity application exhibits how to use the DOCA Comm Channel and DOCA SHA libraries to send and receive a file securely.

The application's logic includes both a client and a server:

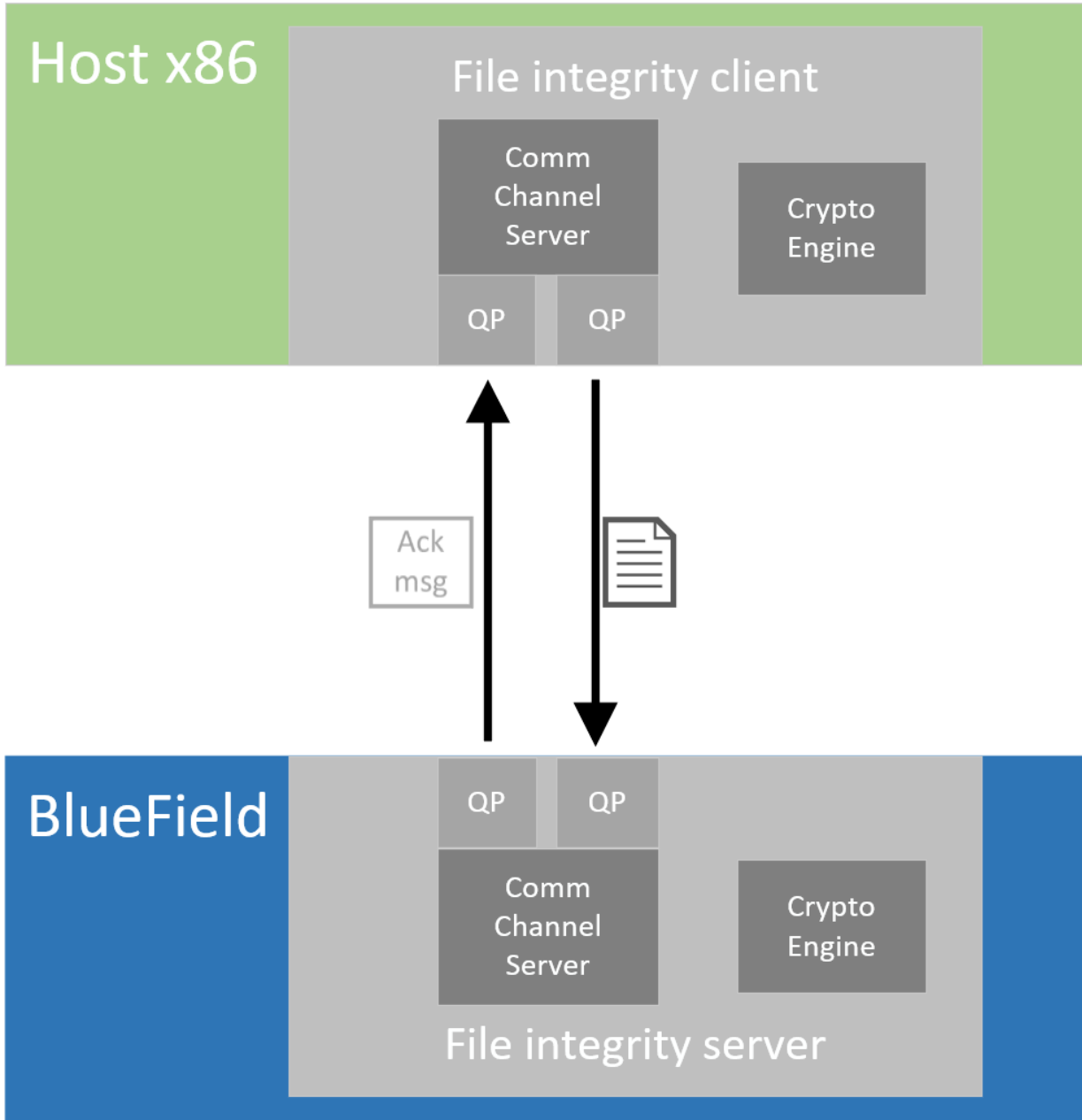
- ▶ Client side – the application opens a file, calculates the SHA (secure hash algorithm) digest on it, and sends to the server the digest of the source file alongside the file itself
- ▶ Server side – the application calculates the SHA on the received file and compares the received digest to the calculated one to check if the file has been compromised



Note: SHA hardware acceleration is only available on the BlueField-2 DPU. The application is not supported on BlueField-3.

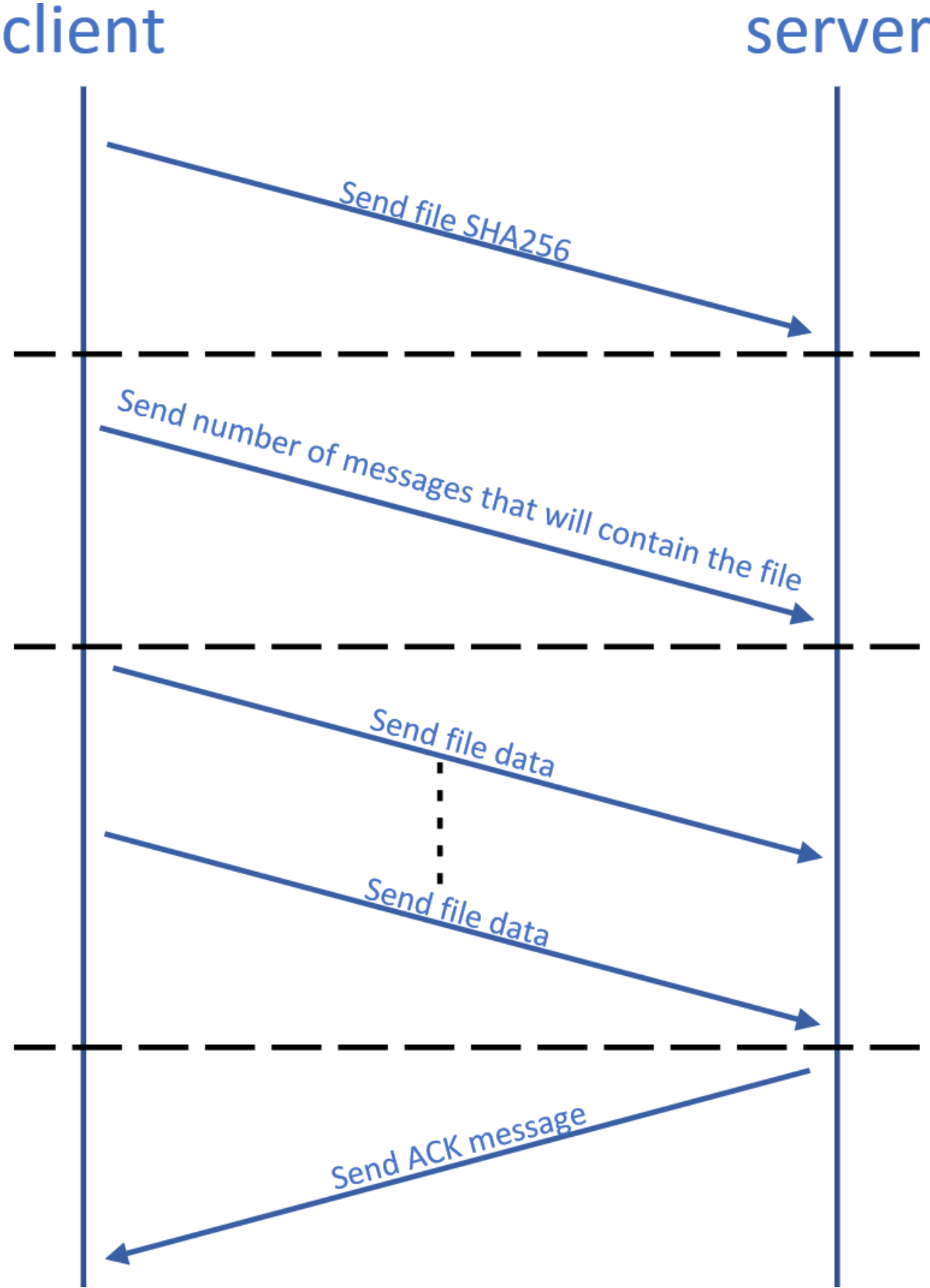
Chapter 2. System Design

The file integrity application runs in both client mode (host) and server mode (DPU).



Chapter 3. Application Architecture

The file integrity application runs on top of the DOCA Comm Channel API to send and receive files from the host and DPU.



1. Connection is established on both sides by the Comm Channel API.
2. Client submits SHA job with the DOCA SHA Library and sends the result to the server.
3. Client sends the number of messages needed to send the content of the file.
4. Client sends data segments in size of up to 4032 bytes.
5. Server submits a partial SHA job on each received segment.
6. Server sends an ACK message to the client when all parts of the file are received successfully.
7. Server compares the received SHA to the calculated SHA.

Chapter 4. DOCA Libraries

This application leverages the following DOCA libraries:

- ▶ [DOCA SHA Library](#)
- ▶ [DOCA Comm Channel Library](#)

Chapter 5. Configuration Flow

1. Parse application argument.

- a). Initialize arg parser resources and register DOCA general parameters.

```
doca_argp_init();
```

- b). Register file integrity application parameters.

```
register_file_integrity_params();
```

- c). Parse the arguments.

```
doca_argp_start();
```

- i. Parse app flags.

2. Set queue-pair attributes.

```
set_endpoint_properties();
```

- a). Set maximum message size of 4032 bytes.
- b). Set maximum messages allowed on queue pair.

3. Create Comm Channel endpoint.

```
doca_comm_channel_ep_create();
```

- a). Create endpoint for client/server.

4. Create SHA context.

```
doca_sha_create();
```

- a). Create SHA context for submitting SHA jobs for client/server.

5. Run client/server main logic.

```
file_integrity_client/server();
```

6. Clean up the application.

```
file_integrity_cleanup();
```

- a). Free all application resources.

Chapter 6. Running Application

1. Refer to the following documents:

- ▶ [NVIDIA DOCA Installation Guide for Linux](#) for details on how to install BlueField-related software.
- ▶ [NVIDIA DOCA Troubleshooting Guide](#) for any issue you may encounter with the installation, compilation, or execution of DOCA applications.
- ▶ [NVIDIA DOCA Applications Overview](#) for additional compilation instructions and development tips regarding the DOCA applications.

2. The file compression binary is located under `/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/bin/doca_file_integrity`. To build all the applications together, run:

```
cd /opt/mellanox/doca/applications/  
meson build  
ninja -C build
```

3. To build only the file integrity application:

a). Edit the following flags in `/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/meson_options.txt`:

- ▶ Set `enable_all_applications` to `false`
- ▶ Set `enable_file_integrity` to `true`

b). Run the commands in step 2.



Note: `doca_file_integrity` is created under `./build/file_integrity/src/`.

Application usage:

```
Usage: doca_file_integrity [DOCA Flags] [Program Flags]
```

DOCA Flags:

```
-h, --help           Print a help synopsis  
-v, --version        Print program version information  
-l, --log-level      Set the log level for the program  
<CRITICAL=20, ERROR=30, WARNING=40, INFO=50, DEBUG=60>
```

Program Flags:

```
-p, --pci-addr       DOCA Comm Channel device PCI address  
-r, --rep-pci-addr  DOCA Comm Channel device representor PCI  
address  
-f, --file           File to send by the client / File to write by  
the server
```

```
-t, --timeout           Application timeout for receiving file
content messages, default is 5 sec
```



Note: For additional information on the application, use `-h` option:

```
/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/bin/doca_file_integrity -h
```

4. CLI example for running the application on BlueField:

```
/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/bin/doca_file_integrity -p 03:00.0
-r b1:00.0 -f recieved_data.txt
```

5. CLI example for running the application on the host:

```
/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/bin/doca_file_integrity -p b1:00.0
-f file_data.txt
```



Note: Refer to section "Running DOCA Application on Host" in [NVIDIA DOCA Virtual Functions User Guide](#).

6. To run `doca_file_compression` using a JSON file:


```
doca_file_integrity --json [json_file]
```




For example:

```
cd /opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/bin
./doca_file_integrity --json file_integrity_params.json
```

Chapter 7. Arg Parser DOCA Flags

For more information, refer to [NVIDIA DOCA Arg Parser Programming Guide](#).

Flag Type	Short Flag	Long Flag/ JSON Key	Description	JSON Content
General Flags	l	log-level	Set the log level for the application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ CRITICAL=20 ▶ ERROR=30 ▶ WARNING=40 ▶ INFO=50 ▶ DEBUG=60 	<code>"log-level": 60</code>
	v	version	Print program version information	N/A
	h	help	Print a help synopsis	N/A
Program Flags	f	file	For client – path to the file to be sent For server – path to write the file into <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">  Note: This is </div>	<code>"file": "/tmp/data.txt"</code>

Flag Type	Short Flag	Long Flag/ JSON Key	Description	JSON Content
			 mandatory flag.	
	p	pci-addr	DOCA Comm Channel device PCIe address  Note: This is mandatory flag.	<code>"pci-addr": 03:00.1</code>
	r	rep-pci	DOCA Comm Channel device representor PCIe address  Note: This flag is mandatory only on the DPU.	<code>"rep-pci": b1:00.1</code>

Chapter 8. References

- ▶ `/opt/mellanox/doca/applications/file_integrity/src`

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