

PGI[®] COMPILERS & TOOLS

INSTALLATION AND RELEASE NOTES FOR
OPENPOWER CPUS AND TESLA GPUS

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Chapter 1.

WHAT'S NEW IN PGI 2020

Welcome to Release 2020 of the PGI compilers and tools!

If you read only one thing about this PGI release, make it this chapter. It covers all the new, changed, deprecated, or removed features in PGI products released this year. It is written with you, the user, in mind.

Every PGI release contains user-requested fixes and updates. We keep a complete list of these fixed [Technical Problem Reports](#) online for your reference.

1.1. What's New in 20.4

All Compilers

Added support for interoperability with GNU-compiled OpenMP objects. Our optimized heterogeneous OpenMP runtime now includes a GNU OpenMP interface layer which provides compatibility when mixing PGI-compiled and GNU-compiled OpenMP objects. For more information, refer to [OpenMP](#).

Changed the compile and link time option `-nomp` such that its use now prevents the addition of the OpenMP runtime library (`nvomp`) to the link line.

C/C++

Added **DWARF** metadata for inlined function calls.

Fortran

Improvement performance in **TRANSFER** intrinsic for large contiguous data transfers.

Added **DWARF** metadata for inlined function and subroutine calls.

OpenACC and CUDA Fortran

Changed the default CUDA Toolkit version selected by the compiler from CUDA 10.0 to 10.1. The default CUDA Toolkit version is used when the compiler cannot find a GPU or CUDA driver on the system where it is compiling and no CUDA Toolkit version has been specified on the compilation line. For more information about selecting CUDA Toolkit versions see [CUDA Toolkit Versions](#).

Updated the implementation of the OpenACC API routines `acc_copyin` and `acc_create` to adhere to the OpenACC 2.0 specification to use `present_or_` semantics.

1.2. What's New in 20.1

All Compilers

LLVM 9.0 integrated — Upgraded OpenPOWER compilers to use LLVM 9.0 as the default code generator. LLVM 8.0 is still available via compile and link-time command-line options.

cuTENSOR support — Added support for the new cuTENSOR library, including automatic mapping of Fortran transformational intrinsics operating on device data to cuTENSOR calls. See below for details.

New Heterogeneous OpenMP Runtime — Replaced the OpenMP runtime with a new optimized heterogeneous OpenMP runtime. In 20.1 this new runtime is used by default for multicore CPU targeting, and in future releases it will be used for integrated CPU and GPU OpenMP targeting. The new runtime is fully KMPC-compatible, but is not yet GOMP compatible, so mixing of PGI-compiled and GNU-compiled OpenMP objects is not supported and will result in a runtime error message.

C/C++

Upgraded the PGI C compiler `pgcc` significantly, including support for the IBM C99 extensions `__real__` and `__imag__` and substantial support for C11.

Fortran

Improved debugging metadata for PURE, RECURSIVE, and ELEMENTAL procedures.

Improved implementation of the OpenMP API to follow the OpenMP specification. Fortran developers should import the OpenMP API by using the `omp_lib` module rather than by defining its types (i.e, `omp_lock_t`) or declaring its functions directly in the application code. Failure to do so (or failure to do so correctly) may cause an application built with the NVIDIA OpenMP runtime to function incorrectly.

OpenACC and CUDA Fortran

Added Fortran interfaces to the NVIDIA cuTENSOR library which is bundled in the PGI packages. Added support for a new cutensorEx Fortran module that maps Fortran intrinsic functions **RESHAPE()**, **TRANSPOSE()**, **SPREAD()** and **MATMUL()** operating on device data to the appropriate cuTENSOR functionality. This new feature is usable in both CUDA Fortran and OpenACC, and enables use of V100 tensor cores for operations on **real(2)** data. See the Fortran CUDA Library Interfaces document for more information.

Added support for the CUDA Toolkit version 10.2. See [CUDA Toolkit Versions](#) for instructions on selecting alternate CUDA Toolkit versions using **CUDA_HOME**. CUDA 10.0 is now the default toolkit version if there is no GPU or CUDA driver found on the system. If you are relying on this default, you must specify a version of CUDA Toolkit version 10.0 using **CUDA_HOME** because the CUDA 10.0 toolchain and libraries are not bundled in this release.

Added support for calling the built-in CUDA math functions **sinpi**, **sinpif**, **cospi**, **cospif**, **sincospi**, and **sincospif** from device code.

Improved support for **attributes(host,device)** functions in CUDA Fortran, which enables compiling a program unit for both host and device execution.

Implemented support for **on_device** in CUDA Fortran, which enables dynamic checking for current execution on a GPU device.

Changed copy behavior for OpenACC reductions to adhere to the OpenACC specification. The compilers will now follow the defined behavior for **copy** and not copy the reduction variable to the device if it is already present. To enable the compiler's previous behavior, use an **update device/host if_present** directive.

Reorganized the accelerator runtime libraries. Removed the **libaccapi**, **libaccg**, **libaccg2**, **libaccn**, and **libaccnc** libraries. Replaced these libraries with three new libraries organized by functionality. The compiler drivers link in the new libraries based on flags used when linking:

- ▶ The compiler adds **libaccdevice** with **-acc -ta=tesla**.
- ▶ The compiler adds **libacccuda** with **-acc -ta=tesla -Mcuda**.
- ▶ The compiler adds **libacchost** with **-ta=multicore** or **-ta=host** as long as **-ta=tesla** is not present.

Dropped support for **__CUDA_API_VERSION**. Use **CUDA_VERSION** instead.

Updated the profiling interface to conform to the OpenACC 3.0 specification.

Deprecations and Eliminations

CUDA 9.2 and 10.0 are no longer included as part of the PGI compilers installation package. CUDA 10.0 is still supported via **CUDA_HOME**. Support for CUDA 9.2 has been removed.

Official support for the **nonvrm** sub-option **-ta=tesla** and **-Mcuda** ended with the PGI 19.10 release. Although the compilers will not reject this sub-option, we recommend moving to the default method for generating device code by removing **nonvrm** from compilation.

Chapter 2.

RELEASE OVERVIEW

This chapter provides an overview of Release 2020 of the PGI Accelerator™ compilers hosted on and targeting OpenPOWER+Tesla processor-based servers and clusters running versions of the Linux operating system.

2.1. About This Release

These PGI compilers generate host CPU code for 64-bit little-endian OpenPOWER CPUs, and GPU device code for NVIDIA Kepler, Pascal, and Volta GPUs.

These compilers include all GPU OpenACC and CUDA Fortran features available in the PGI C/C++/Fortran compilers for x86-64.

Documentation includes the `pgcc`, `pgc++` and `pgfortran` man pages and the `-help` option. In addition, you can find both HTML and PDF versions of these installation and release notes, the *PGI Compiler User's Guide* and *PGI Compiler Reference Manual* for OpenPOWER on the [PGI website, pgicompilers.com/docs](https://www.pgicompilers.com/docs).

2.2. Release Components

Release 2020 includes the following components:

- ▶ PGFORTRAN™ native CUDA Fortran, OpenMP, and OpenACC Fortran 2003 compiler.
- ▶ PGCC® native OpenMP and OpenACC ISO C11 and K&R C compiler.
- ▶ PGC++® native OpenMP and OpenACC ISO C++17 compiler.
- ▶ PGI Profiler® OpenACC, CUDA, OpenMP, and multi-thread profiler.
- ▶ Open MPI version 3.1.3 including support for NVIDIA GPUDirect. As NVIDIA GPUDirect depends on InfiniBand support, Open MPI is also configured to use InfiniBand hardware if it is available on the system. InfiniBand support requires OFED 3.18 or later.
- ▶ ScaLAPACK 2.0.2 linear algebra math library for distributed-memory systems for use with Open MPI and the PGI compilers.
- ▶ BLAS and LAPACK library based on the customized OpenBLAS project source.

- Documentation in man page format and [online](https://pgi.compilers.com/docs), pgi.compilers.com/docs, in both HTML and PDF formats.

2.3. Command-line Environment

The PGI compilers for OpenPOWER are command-line compatible with the corresponding PGI products on Linux x86-64, meaning target-independent compiler options should behave consistently across the two platforms. The intent and expectation is that makefiles and build scripts used to drive PGI compilers on Linux x86-64 should work with little or no modification on OpenPOWER. The `-help` compiler option lists all compiler options by default, or can be used to check the functionality of a specific option. For example:

```
% pgcc -help -fast
Reading rcfile /opt/pgi/linuxpower/20.4/bin/.pgccrc
-fast                Common optimizations; includes -O2 -Munroll=c:1 -Mlre -
Mautoinline
                    == -Mvect=simd -Mflushz
-M[no]vect=[no]simd|[no]assoc|[no]fuse]
                    Control automatic vector pipelining
    [no]simd          Generate [don't generate] SIMD instructions
    [no]assoc          Allow [disallow] reassociation
    [no]fuse           Enable [disable] loop fusion
-M[no]flushz          Set SSE to flush-to-zero mode
%
```

2.4. Supported Platforms

These OpenPOWER hardware/software platforms have been used in testing:

- CPUs: POWER8, POWER8E, POWER8NVL, POWER9
- Linux distributions:
 - RHEL 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.5 (Pegas), 7.6, 7.6 (Pegas), 7.7, 8.1
 - Ubuntu 16.04, 18.04
- GCC versions: 4.8.5, 5.4.0, 7.2.1, 7.3.0, 7.4.0
- CUDA Toolkit versions:
 - 10.0 driver version 410.45, 410.129
 - 10.1 driver version 418.87
 - 10.2 driver version 440.33.01

2.5. OpenMP

OpenMP 3.1

The PGI Fortran, C, and C++ compilers support OpenMP 3.1 on all platforms.

The NVIDIA OpenMP runtime implements nested parallelism such that the inner parallel region or regions are run with one thread.

OpenMP 4.5

The PGI Fortran, C, and C++ compilers compile most OpenMP 4.5 programs for parallel execution across all the cores of a multicore CPU or server. **target** regions are implemented with default support for the multicore host as the target, and **parallel** and **distribute** loops are parallelized across all OpenMP threads.

Current limitations include:

- ▶ The **simd** construct can be used to provide tuning hints; the **simd** construct's **private**, **lastprivate**, **reduction**, and **collapse** clauses are processed and supported.
- ▶ The **declare simd** construct is ignored.
- ▶ The **ordered** construct's **simd** clause is ignored.
- ▶ The **task** construct's **depend** and **priority** clauses are not supported.
- ▶ The loop construct's **linear**, **schedule**, and **ordered(n)** clauses are not supported.
- ▶ The **declare reduction** directive is not supported.
- ▶ The **reduction** clause does not accept pointer or reference types.

Compatibility between NVIDIA and GNU OpenMP Runtimes

NVIDIA's OpenMP runtime implements a subset of OpenMP functionality; this OpenMP runtime functionality is provided in a library called **libnvomp**. The GNU OpenMP runtime also implements a subset of OpenMP functionality. OpenMP applications and libraries compiled with the GNU compilers link in a library called **libgomp**.

If GNU and PGI compilers are used to compile different modules of an application that each uses the OpenMP API, both the GNU and the NVIDIA OpenMP runtimes will be required for the application to operate. But because these two runtimes implement intersecting subsets of the OpenMP specification and do not share their state, loading both OpenMP runtimes is not advised. NVIDIA's OpenMP runtime includes an interface layer containing the GNU OpenMP API (GOMP). When a PGI-compiled OpenMP application linked against a GNU-compiled OpenMP library is loaded, the GOMP runtime calls in the library are resolved by the GOMP interfaces contained in the NVIDIA OpenMP runtime library; the GOMP library is not itself loaded.

Most of the features in the GNU OpenMP runtime as of GCC 9.2.0 are supported in our GOMP interface layer. OpenMP 5.0 features are not supported yet and a few other features such as doacross loops are not supported in our interface layer. GNU-compiled apps making use of these features will likely terminate at some point if run with **libnvomp** loaded instead of **libgomp**. Certain other features such as nested parallelism may be implemented differently in the two libraries.

2.6. CUDA Toolkit Versions

The PGI compilers use NVIDIA's CUDA Toolkit when building programs for execution on an NVIDIA GPU. Every PGI installation package puts the required CUDA Toolkit components into a PGI installation directory called `2020/cuda`.

An NVIDIA CUDA driver must be installed on a system with a GPU before you can run a program compiled for the GPU on that system. PGI products do not contain CUDA Drivers. You must download and install the appropriate [CUDA Driver from NVIDIA](#). The CUDA Driver version must be at least as new as the version of the CUDA Toolkit with which you compiled your code.

The PGI tool `pgaccelinfo` prints the driver version as its first line of output. You can use it to find out which version of the CUDA Driver is installed on your system.

PGI 20.4 includes the following versions of the CUDA Toolkit:

- ▶ CUDA 10.1
- ▶ CUDA 10.2

You can let the compiler pick which version of the CUDA Toolkit to use or you can instruct it to use a particular version. The rest of this section describes all of your options.

If you do not specify a version of the CUDA Toolkit, the compiler uses the version of the CUDA Driver installed on the system on which you are compiling to determine which CUDA Toolkit to use. This auto-detect feature was introduced in the PGI 18.7 release; auto-detect is especially convenient when you are compiling and running your application on the same system. In the absence of any other information, the compiler will look for a CUDA Toolkit version in the PGI `2020/cuda` directory that matches the version of the CUDA Driver installed on the system. If a match is not found, the compiler searches for the newest CUDA Toolkit version that is not newer than the CUDA Driver version. If there is no CUDA Driver installed, the PGI 20.4 compilers fall back to the default of CUDA 10.1.

If the only PGI compiler you have installed is PGI 20.4, then:

- ▶ If your CUDA Driver is 10.2, the compilers use CUDA Toolkit 10.2.
- ▶ If your CUDA Driver is 10.1, the compilers use CUDA Toolkit 10.1.
- ▶ If your CUDA Driver is 10.0, the compilers will issue an error that CUDA Toolkit 10.0 was not found; CUDA Toolkit 10.0 is not bundled with PGI 20.4.
- ▶ If you do not have a CUDA driver installed on the compilation system, the compilers use the default CUDA Toolkit version 10.1.
- ▶ If your CUDA Driver is newer than CUDA 10.2, the compilers will still use the CUDA Toolkit 10.2. The compiler selects the newest CUDA Toolkit it finds that is not newer than the CUDA Driver.

You can change the compiler's default selection for CUDA Toolkit version using one of the following methods:

- Use a compiler option. Add the `cudaX.Y` sub-option to `-Mcuda` or `-ta=tesla` where `X.Y` denotes the CUDA version. For example, to compile a C file with the CUDA 10.2 Toolkit you would use:

```
pgcc -ta=tesla:cuda10.2
```

Using a compiler option changes the CUDA Toolkit version for one invocation of the compiler.

- Use an rcfile variable. Add a line defining `DEFCUDAVERSION` to the `siterc` file in the installation `bin/` directory or to a file named `.mypgirc` in your home directory. For example, to specify the CUDA 10.2 Toolkit as the default, add the following line to one of these files:

```
set DEFCUDAVERSION=10.2;
```

Using an rcfile variable changes the CUDA Toolkit version for all invocations of the compilers reading the rcfile.

When you specify a CUDA Toolkit version, you can additionally instruct the compiler to use a CUDA Toolkit installation different from the defaults bundled with the current PGI compilers. While most users do not need to use any other CUDA Toolkit installation than those provided with PGI, situations do arise where this capability is needed. Developers working with pre-release CUDA software may occasionally need to test with a CUDA Toolkit version not included in a PGI release. Conversely, some developers might find a need to compile with a CUDA Toolkit older than the oldest CUDA Toolkit installed with a PGI release. For these users, PGI compilers can interoperate with components from a CUDA Toolkit installed outside of the PGI installation directories.

PGI tests extensively using the co-installed versions of the CUDA Toolkits and fully supports their use. Use of CUDA Toolkit components not included with a PGI install is done with your understanding that functionality differences may exist.

To use a CUDA toolkit that is not installed with a PGI release, such as CUDA 10.0 with PGI 20.4, there are three options:

- Use the rcfile variable `DEFAULT_CUDA_HOME` to override the base default

```
set DEFAULT_CUDA_HOME = /opt/cuda-10.0;
```

- Set the environment variable `CUDA_HOME`

```
export CUDA_HOME=/opt/cuda-10.0
```

- Use the compiler compilation line assignment `CUDA_HOME=`

```
pgfortran CUDA_HOME=/opt/cuda-10.0
```

The PGI compilers use the following order of precedence when determining which version of the CUDA Toolkit to use.

1. If you do not tell the compiler which CUDA Toolkit version to use, the compiler picks the CUDA Toolkit from the PGI installation directory `2020/cuda` that matches the version of the CUDA Driver installed on your system. If the PGI installation directory does not contain a direct match, the newest version in that directory which is not newer than the CUDA driver version is used. If there is no CUDA driver installed on your system, the compiler falls back on an internal default; in PGI 20.4, this default is CUDA 10.1.
2. The rcfile variable `DEFAULT_CUDA_HOME` will override the base default.
3. The environment variable `CUDA_HOME` will override all of the above defaults.

4. The environment variable `PGI_CUDA_HOME` overrides all of the above; it is available for advanced users in case they need to override an already-defined `CUDA_HOME`.
5. A user-specified `cudaX.Y` sub-option to `-Mcuda` and `-ta=tesla` will override all of the above defaults and the CUDA Toolkit located in the PGI installation directory `2020/cuda` will be used.
6. The compiler compilation line assignment `CUDA_HOME=` will override all of the above defaults (including the `cudaX.Y` sub-option).

2.7. Compute Capability

The compilers can generate code for NVIDIA GPU compute capabilities 3.0 through 7.5. The compilers construct a default list of compute capabilities that matches the compute capabilities supported by the GPUs found on the system used in compilation. If there are no GPUs detected, the compilers select `cc35`, `cc60`, and `cc70`.

You can override the default by specifying one or more compute capabilities using either command-line options or an `rcfile`.

To change the default with a command-line option, provide a comma-separated list of compute capabilities to `-ta=tesla:` for OpenACC or `-Mcuda=` for CUDA Fortran.

To change the default with an `rcfile`, set the **DEFCOMPUTECAP** value to a blank-separated list of compute capabilities in the `siterc` file located in your installation's `bin` directory:

```
set DEFCOMPUTECAP=60 70;
```

Alternatively, if you don't have permissions to change the `siterc` file, you can add the **DEFCOMPUTECAP** definition to a separate `.mypgirc` file in your home directory.

The generation of device code can be time consuming, so you may notice an increase in compile time as the number of compute capabilities increases.

2.8. Precompiled Open-Source Packages

Many open-source software packages have been ported for use with PGI compilers on Linux for OpenPOWER.

The following PGI-compiled open-source software packages are included in the PGI OpenPOWER download package:

- ▶ OpenBLAS 0.3.3 – customized BLAS and LAPACK libraries based on the OpenBLAS project source.
- ▶ Open MPI 3.1.3 – open-source MPI implementation.
- ▶ ScaLAPACK 2.0.2 – a library of high-performance linear algebra routines for parallel distributed memory machines. ScaLAPACK uses Open MPI 3.1.3.

The following list of open-source software packages have been precompiled for execution on OpenPOWER targets using the PGI compilers and are available to download from the [PGI website](https://www.pgicompilers.com/downloads) at [pgicompilers.com/downloads](https://www.pgicompilers.com/downloads).

- ▶ ESMF 7.1.0r for Open MPI 3.1.3 – The Earth System Modeling Framework for building climate, numerical weather prediction, data assimilation, and other Earth science software applications.
- ▶ NetCDF 4.6.2 – A set of software libraries and self-describing, machine-independent data formats that support the creation, access, and sharing of array-oriented scientific data, written in C. Included in this package are the following components:
 - ▶ NetCDF-C++ 4.3.0 – C++ interfaces to NetCDF libraries.
 - ▶ NetCDF-Fortran 4.4.4 – Fortran interfaces to NetCDF libraries.
 - ▶ Parallel NetCDF 1.11.0 – for Open MPI 3.1.3.
 - ▶ HDF5 1.10.4 – data model, library, and file format for storing and managing data.
 - ▶ SZIP 2.1.1 – extended-Rice lossless compression algorithm.
 - ▶ ZLIB 1.2.11 – file compression library.

In addition, these software packages have also been ported to PGI on OpenPOWER but due to licensing restrictions, they are not available in binary format directly from PGI. You can find instructions for building them in the [Porting & Tuning Guides](#) section of the PGI website at pgi.com/pgi-compilers.com/tips.

- ▶ FFTW 2.1.5 – version 2 of the Fast Fourier Transform library, includes MPI bindings built with Open MPI 3.1.3.
- ▶ FFTW 3.3.8 – version 3 of the Fast Fourier Transform library, includes MPI bindings built with Open MPI 3.1.3.

For additional information about building these and other packages, please see the [Porting & Tuning Guides](#) section of the PGI website at pgi.com/pgi-compilers.com/tips.

Chapter 3.

INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION

Follow these steps to install PGI 20.4 compilers on an OpenPOWER system. The default installation directory is `/opt/pgi`, but it can be any directory:

```
% tar xzpf pgi-linux-2020-204-ppc64le.tar.gz
% ./install
<answer installation questions, assent to licenses>
...
```

Typically for this release, you will want to choose the following during the installation:

1. Choose a "Single-system install", not a "Network install".
2. Install the PGI software in the default `/opt/pgi` directory.
3. Install the CUDA toolkit.

This installs CUDA components in the PGI directory tree, and will not affect a standard CUDA installation on the same system in any way.

4. Create links in the 2020 directory.

This is the directory where CUDA is installed, along with example programs; links are created to the subdirectories of `/opt/pgi/linuxpower/20.4`.

5. Install Open MPI.

3.1. License Management

Installation may place a temporary license key in a file named `license.pgi` in the PGI installation directory if no such file already exists.

If you purchased a perpetual license and have obtained your new license key, either replace the contents of `license.pgi` with your new license key, or set the environment variable `LM_LICENSE_FILE` to the full path of the desired license file.

If you have not yet obtained your new license key, please consult your PGI order confirmation email for instructions for obtaining and installing your permanent license key. Contact PGI Sales at sales@pgroup.com if you need assistance.

Usage Logging: This release provides per-user records of most recent use in the `.pgiusage` subdirectory inside the main installation directory. Set the environment variable `PGI_LOG_DIRECTORY` to specify a different directory for usage logging.

3.2. Environment Initialization

Assuming the software is installed in `/opt/pgi`, use these commands in `csh` to initialize your environment for use of the PGI compilers:

```
% setenv PGI /opt/pgi
% setenv MANPATH "$MANPATH:$PGI/linuxpower/2020/man"
% set path=($PGI/linuxpower/2020/bin $path)
% which pgc++
/opt/pgi/linuxpower/2020/bin/pgc++
%
```

In `bash`, `sh` or `ksh`, use these commands:

```
% export PGI=/opt/pgi
% export MANPATH=$MANPATH:$PGI/linuxpower/2020/man
% export PATH=$PGI/linuxpower/2020/bin:$PATH
% which pgc++
/opt/pgi/linuxpower/2020/bin/pgc++
%
```

The PGI directory structure is designed to accommodate co-installation of multiple PGI versions. When 20.4 is installed, it will be installed by default in the directory `/opt/pgi/linuxpower/20.4` and links can optionally be created to its sub-directories to make 20.4 default without affecting a previous (e.g., 19.10) install. Non-default versions of PGI compilers that are installed can be used by specifying the `-V<ver>` option on the compiler command line.

3.3. Network Installations

PGI compilers for OpenPOWER may be installed locally on each machine on a network or they may be installed once on a shared file system available to every machine. With the shared file system method, after the initial installation you can run a simple script on each machine to add that system to the family of machines using the common compiler installation. Using this approach, you can create a common installation that works on multiple linuxpower systems even though each system may have different versions of *gcc/libc*.

Follow these steps to create a shared file system installation on OpenPOWER systems:

1. Create a commonly-mounted directory accessible to every system using the same directory path (for example, `/opt/pgi`).
2. Define a locally-mounted directory with a pathname that is identical on all systems. That is, each system has a local directory path with the same pathname (for example `/local/pgi/20.4/share_objects`). Runtime libraries which are *libc*-version dependent will be stored here. This will ensure that executable files built on one system will work on other systems on the same network.
3. Run the install script for the first installation:

```
% tar xzpf pgilinux-2020-204-ppc64le.tar.gz
% ./install
<answer installation questions, assent to licenses>
...
```

At the "Please choose install option:" prompt, choose "Network install".

4. Once the initial PGI installation is complete, configure the environment as described in the preceding section.
5. On each subsequent system, follow these steps:
 - a. Set up the environment as described in the preceding section.
 - b. Run the `add_network_host` script which is now in your `$PATH`:

```
$ add_network_host
```

and the compilers should now work.

Chapter 4.

TROUBLESHOOTING TIPS AND KNOWN LIMITATIONS

This section contains information about known limitations, documentation errors, and corrections. Wherever possible, a work-around is provided.

For up-to-date information about the state of the current release, please see the [PGI frequently asked questions \(FAQ\)](#) webpage.

4.1. Release Specific Limitations

The following PGI features are limited or are not implemented in the 20.4 release for OpenPOWER+Tesla:

- ▶ -Mipa is not enabled (no PGI inter-procedural analysis/optimization); the command-line option is accepted and silently ignored.
- ▶ -Mpf/-Mpf0 are not enabled (no profile-feedback optimization); the command-line options are accepted and silently ignored.
- ▶ Passing **-M[no] llvm** to MPI wrappers (mpicc, mpifort, etc.) is not supported. Doing so will cause unresolved symbol errors and segmentation faults when compiling.
- ▶ Using **-V<version>** with the PGI 2019 or PGI 2020 compilers to target PGI 2018 or earlier releases is not supported. This is a known limitation that is the result of the switch to using LLVM compilers as the default code generator for the PGI 2019 compilers.

4.2. Profiler-related Issues

Some specific issues related to the PGI Profiler:

- ▶ Debugging information is not always available on OpenPower which can cause the profiler to crash when attempting to unwind the call-stack. We recommend you use the **--cpu-profiling-unwind-stack off** option to disable call-stack tracing if you encounter any problem profiling on OpenPower.

- ▶ The Profiler relies on being able to directly call 'dlsym'. If this system call is intercepted by the program being profiled or by some other library the profiler may hang at startup. We have encountered this specific problem with some implementations of MPI. We recommend you disable any features that may be intercepting the 'dlsym' system call or disable CPU profiling with the --cpu-profiling off option.
- ▶ To disable 'dlsym' interception when using IBM's spectrum MPI set the environment variable: PAMI_DISABLE_CUDA_HOOK=1, omit the following option: -gpu and add the options: -x PAMI_DISABLE_CUDA_HOOK and -disable_gpu_hooks.

Chapter 5.

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