

# Running Mellanox SHARP Deamons

Mellanox SHARP software, i.e. Mellanox SHARP daemon (`sharpd`) should be executed on every compute node, and the Aggregation Manager daemon (`sharp_am`) should be executed on a dedicated server along with Subnet Manager.



The `sharpd` and `sharp_am` commands must be executed as root user.

- `sharpd` on all compute nodes
- `sharp_am` on SM node only

To setup the daemons the following script should be used:

```
$HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh
```

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Usage: sharp_daemons_setup.sh (-s | -r) [-p SHARP location dir] -d <sharpd | sharp_am> [-m]
-s - Setup SHARP daemon
-r - Remove SHARP daemon
-p - Path to alternative SHARP location dir
-d - Daemon name (sharpd or sharp_am)
-b - Enable socket based activation of the service
```



Socket-based activation is only valid on systems with Systemd support.

## sharp\_am Registration as a Service on the SM Server and its Starting

1. Run as root the following:

```
# $HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh -s -d sharp_am
```

Daemon's log location is: `/var/log/sharp_am.log`

2. Set the "run level".
3. Start `sharp_am` as root.

```
# service sharp_am start
```

## sharpd Registration as Service on all Compute Nodes and its Starting

The procedure, described below, needs `pdsh` package. If you do not have `pdsh`, please use any other parallel execution tool and refer to the command below as an example.

1. Run as root the following:

```
# pdsh -w <hostlist> $HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh -s -d sharpd
```

Daemon's log location: `/var/log/sharpd.log`

2. Set the "run level"
3. Start `sharpd` daemons as root.

```
# pdsh -w <hostlist> service sharpd start
```

## sharpd Registration as a Socket Based Activated Service on all Compute Nodes (for HPC-X)



Socket based activation installs sharpd as a daemon that is automatically activated when an application tries to communicate with sharpd.

Socket based activation is supported on RH 7.2 and above and requires Systemd.

MLNX\_OFED SHARPD is automatically installed with socket-based activation on systems with Systemd.

The procedure described below needs pdsh package. If you do not have a pdsh, please use any other parallel execution tool and refer to the command below as an example.

Run as root the following:

```
# pdsh -w <hostlist> $HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh -s -d sharpd -b
```

Daemon's log location: /var/log/sharpd.log

## Removing Daemons

- To remove sharp\_am, run on AM host:

```
# $HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh -r -d sharp_am
```

- To remove sharpd, run:

```
# pdsh -w <hostlist> $HPCX_SHARP_DIR/sbin/sharp_daemons_setup.sh -r -d sharpd
```

## Upgrading Daemons

Upgrading daemons requires their removal and re-registration according to the sections above.