Solving the Critical Performance Challenges for Software Defined Networks



Utiliser l'Intel® DPDK – Communauté dpdk.org

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- Performances on Intel architecture
- Technology Overview



While Network Traffic Grows at 25% Annually....





....CPU Performance Grows at only 14% Annually....





....And Virtualization Increases Traffic within Appliances





Linux Networking Kernel Doesn't Meet Scalability Needs

- Performance of Linux kernel stack doesn't scale linearly with number of cores
- Packet processing within Linux kernel can't close the network traffic gap





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Traffic Growth Limits Availability of CPU Resources for Applications





Fast path Optimizes CPU Utilization





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Ivy Bridge Platform Description

Intel Crown Pass platform

- Dual Ivy Bridge processors (each with 12 cores)
- 3.5GHz CPU speed
- 32GB RAM
- 22 x 10G interfaces (327Mpps)

Traffic generator

- Up to 24 x 10Gbps interfaces using daisy chain
- Up to 357 Mpps.

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IP Forwarding using http://dpdk.org Test Results



- Fast path IP forwarding performance
 - 14.24 Mpps per core
 - 24 Mpps per core with I2switch
 - Up to 313.31 Mpps with 22 cores
- Performance scales linearly with the number of cores configured to run the fast path.
- Performance is independent of frame size.

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IPsec using http://dpdk.org Test Platform

AES128-HMAC-SHA1 for all the measurements

- 3 measurements:
- Software crypto

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- PCIe crypto using Intel Cave Creek
- PCIe crypto using Cavium Nitrox



Software IPsec Test Results



IPsec performance

- 5.39 Gbps per core for 1420B packets
- Up to 73.01 Gbps using 14 cores / 28 threads
- Performance scales linearly with the number of cores configured to run the fast path

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Software IPsec Test Results



- IPsec performance using DPDK AES-NI/AVX osftware crypto
 - 1.81 Gbps per core for 64B packets
 - 5.39 Gbps per core for 1420B packets
 - Up to 73.01 Gbps using 14 cores / 28 threads
- Performance scales linearly with the number of cores configured to run the fast path



IPsec with PCIe Intel Cave Creek Test Results



- IPsec using Quick Assist DPDK addon
 - 3.52 Gbps per engine for 1420B packets
 - Up to 40 Gbps (platform limit) using 16 engines
- Performance scales linearly with the number of engines configured to process IPsec transformation



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- IPsec using Quick Assist DPDK addon
 - 13.56 Gbps with 16 engines for 64B packets
 - Up to 40 Gbps (platform limit) with 16 engines for 1420B packets

IPsec with PCIe Cavium Nitrox Test Results



- IPsec performance using Cavium Nitrox DPDK add-on
 - Up to 20.23 Gbps for 1420 bytes



Using a fast path in a Virtual Environment: Complete Solution



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Accelerate packet processing in the hypervisor

- Leverages PMDs for physical NICs
- Accelerates virtual switching / routing thanks to the fast path (OVS, V(x)LAN, (NV)GRE + other protocols)
- Enables high performance communication with the VMs using a vNIC PMD

Accelerate packet processing in the VMs

- Enables high performance communication with the virtual switch using a vNIC PMD
- Supports vNIC netdevice if Intel® DPDK is not required in the VM
- Accelerates packet processing thanks to the fast path (NFV, TCP)
- In addition, communication with standard VMs using standard vNICs

OVS Acceleration: Performance



- OVS L2 switching performance
 - 6.8 Mpps per core
 - Up to 67.8 Mpps using 10 cores (20 threads)
- Performance scales linearly with the number of cores configured to run the fast path.
- Performance is independent of frame size.

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Fast Path Architecture





Your Three Options for Obtaining Intel® DPDK



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Implement a fast path on http://dpdk.org



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fast path =

- Intel® DPDK from <u>http://dpdk.org</u>
- + a software stack

Turbo boost your Linux, your vSwitch, your networking solutions

