Introduction

Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package 16.1 adds OpenCL support for CPU devices.


The runtime is supported with Intel tools for OpenCL development, such as the Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ Applications. For more information, see https://software.intel.com/en-us/intel-opencl.

This document provides system requirements, installation instructions, issues and limitations, and legal information.

To learn more about this product, see:

- Documentation, help, and samples, see the OpenCL support page: https://software.intel.com/en-us/intel-opencl-support
- Technical support, including answers to questions not addressed in the installed product, go to the technical support forum: https://software.intel.com/en-us/forums/opencl.
2 What’s New

16.1 release includes:

- Support for 6th generation Intel® Core™ Processors and Intel® Xeon® v4 Processors (former Intel microarchitecture codename Broadwell)

- Support for OpenCL™ 2.0 specification

- Improved cross-CPU support of pre-compiled kernel binary in Runtime:
  
  o Enables loading pre-generated kernel binaries that saves OpenCL program build time. For more information, see https://software.intel.com/en-us/node/540584

  o Enables generating a JIT binary for target CPU model by the Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - Offline Compiler. For more information, see https://software.intel.com/en-us/node/539388

- Bug and memory leak fixes.

- Compiler infrastructure was updated to LLVM version 3.6.2

NOTE: OpenCL Runtime 16.1 supports CPU only. For Intel® Xeon Phi coprocessor support, use the OpenCL Runtime 14.2. For more information see OpenCL™ runtime entry and release notes on the OpenCL driver page at: https://software.intel.com/en-us/articles/opencl-drivers

3 System Requirements

For an explanation of architecture names, see http://software.intel.com/en-us/articles/intelarchitecture-platform-terminology/.

Processor Requirements

The OpenCL Runtime provides OpenCL CPU device support on the following processors:

- Intel® Core™ Processors with Intel Streaming SIMD Extensions 4.2 (Intel SSE4.2) support or higher

- Intel Xeon Processor E3, E5, E7 families with Intel SSE4.2 support or higher

OpenCL™ Runtime 16.1 provides optimizations for processors that support following instruction sets:

- SSE4.2

- AVX
• AVX2

To enable GPU device support on the aforementioned processors, install the Intel® Graphics driver. The graphics driver includes the CPU runtime as well.

NOTE: Incompatible or proprietary instructions in non-Intel processors may cause the analysis capabilities of this product to function incorrectly. Any attempt to analyze code not supported by Intel® processors may lead to failures in this product.

Supported Operating Systems

The following is the list of supported operating systems:

Linux* Operating Systems:

• Red Hat Enterprise Linux* OS 6.5 or higher (64-bit version)
• SUSE Linux Enterprise Server* 11.3 or higher (64-bit version)
• Ubuntu* 14.04
• Cent OS 7.0 or higher (64-bit version)

Windows* Operating Systems (32- and 64-bit):

• Microsoft Windows* 7 SP1
• Microsoft Windows 8 / 8.1
• Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2
• Microsoft Windows Server 2012
• Microsoft Windows 10

Due to possible incompatibility of Intel® Advanced Vector Extensions (Intel® AVX) with the default glibc 2.11.1 implementation, the product libraries might require glibc-2.12-1.47 or higher. Refer to the OS documentation for more information.
4 Installation Notes

**NOTE:** If Intel iGFX driver installed on the system it already contains OpenCL CPU and GEN runtime. In this case OpenCL CPU Runtime installation will be aborted.

**Installation on Microsoft Windows* OS**
To install the Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package on Windows* operating systems, download the Runtime package and follow the installer prompts.

To remove the Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package, go to **Control Panel > Programs and Features > OpenCL™ Runtime > Uninstall**.

The uninstaller removes all originally installed files, leaving any temporary or newly created files. To ensure a clean uninstallation, verify that the INTELOCLSDKROOT, INTELOCLSAMPLESROOT, and PATH environment variables are in their preinstall state.

**Installation on Linux* OS**

4.1.1 Installing the Product

1. Extract the TGZ archive contents:
   ```
   # tar xzf opencl_runtime_16.1_x64_<OS>_<VERSION>.tgz
   
   # cd opencl_runtime_16.1_x64_<OS>_<VERSION>
   ```

2. Run the following command (for command-line interface) and follow the installer prompts:
   ```
   # ./install.sh
   
   Alternatively (for installation with graphical user interface) run the following command:
   ```
   ```
   # ./install_GUI.sh
   ```

4.1.2 Uninstalling the Product
To uninstall the product using the uninstallation script, do the following:

1. Go to the folder with the OpenCL runtime installation (for example, /opt/intel/opencl).

2. Run the uninstall.sh script.
You can use the OS-specific command to remove all the packages, starting with "opencl-1.2-". To do so, run the following commands:

For Red Hat Enterprise Linux OS:

    # sudo yum remove "opencl-1.2-*"

For SUSE Linux Enterprise OS:

    # sudo zypper remove "opencl-1.2-*"

5 Installation and Configuration Issues

Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package installer adds the target installation folder of the CPU runtime to the end of the system PATH environment variable. If the variable is too long, the application might not be able to load the CPU runtime DLL files. To solve the problem, move the folders to the beginning of the PATH variable or delete unnecessary folders from the PATH.

6 Known Issues

- OpenCL Runtime requires Intel® Threading Building Blocks (Intel® TBB) version 4.2.5, which is included in the OpenCL Runtime package installation folder. Make sure there is no Intel TBB version conflict in your system upon runtime installation.
  
  - Any standalone Intel TBB package loaded by the OpenCL host-code should be of higher version than the OpenCL/Intel TBB version.
  
  - The standalone Intel TBB package must use the default Intel TBB configuration, which is also used by the OpenCL runtime.
  
  - Make sure you use and load the right Intel TBB libraries. For example, if you plan to use new features of a standalone Intel TBB version higher than the OpenCL version, ensure that the corresponding standalone Intel TBB libraries are correctly loaded (LD_LIBRARY_PATH in Linux or PATH in Windows is correct).

- Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package for Linux* returns 1.2.0.10003 as platform version via CL_DRIVER_VERSION. The correct version is 5.2.0.10003.

- In some situations the Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - offline compiler vectorizer produces incorrect code when using samplerless read_imagef() built-in function with arguments image2d_t and int2 coordinates.

  For example:

  ```
  __kernel void my_kernel (__read_only image2d_t A) {
  ```
int i, j;
float a = read_imagef(A, (int2) (i, j));
}

There are two ways to work around the issue 1.

Use read_imagef built-in function with sampler

Example:
__kernel void my_kernel (__read_only image2d_t A) {
  int i, j;
  const sampler = CLK_NORMALIZED_COORDS_FALSE |
  CLK_ADDRESS_CLAMP | CLK_FILTER_NEAREST;
  float a = read_imagef(A, sampler, (int2) (i, j));
}

2. Disable vectorization for a specific kernel. This can be done by adding to kernel
   __attribute__((vec_type_hint(int4)))

For example:
__attribute__((vec_type_hint(int4)))
__kernel void my_kernel (__read_only image2d_t A) {
  ...
}

- Device fission extension is not supported. Only device fission core feature is supported.
- There is known compatibility issue with the CPU Kernel Debugger from Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ Applications and Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package 16.1. To work-around the issue please use Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ - CPU only runtime package version 15.1. The fix for CPU Debugger will be available with new version of Intel® SDK for OpenCL™ Applications.
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