

Chelsio Unified Wire for FreeBSD

Installation and User's Guide



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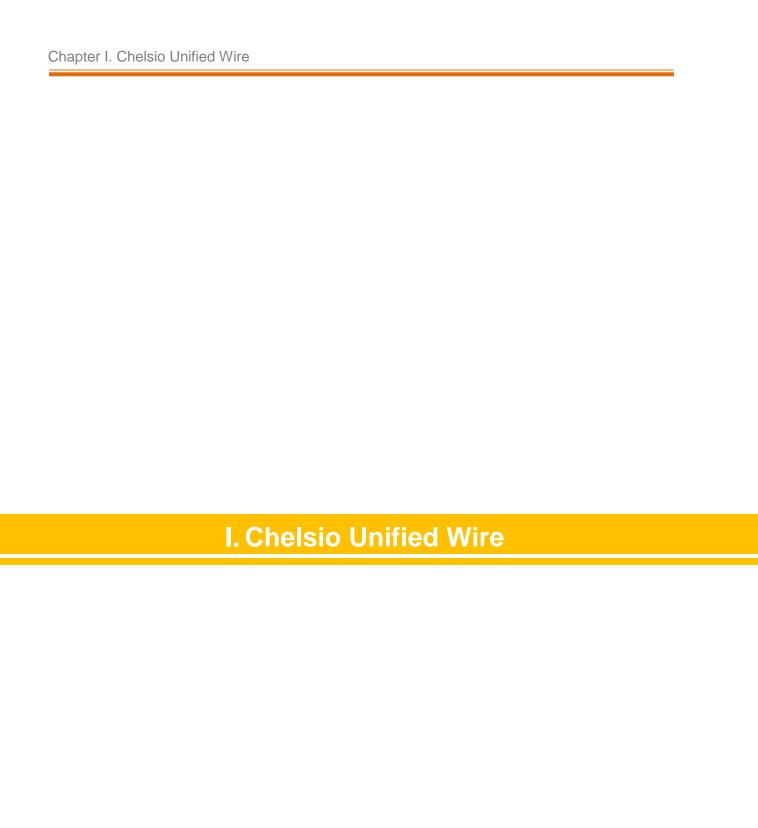
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1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing Chelsio Unified Wire adapters. These high speed, single chip, single firmware cards provide enterprises and data centers with high performance solutions for various Network and Storage related requirements.

The **Terminator** series is Chelsio's next generation of highly integrated, hyper-virtualized controllers. The adapters are built around a programmable protocol-processing engine, with full offload of a complete Unified Wire solution comprising NIC, TOE, iWARP RDMA, iSCSI, FCoE and NAT support. It scales to true 100Gb line rate operation from a single TCP connection to thousands of connections, and allows simultaneous low latency and high bandwidth operation thanks to multiple physical channels through the ASIC.

Ideal for all data, storage and high performance clustering applications, the adapters enable a unified fabric over a single wire by simultaneously running all unmodified IP sockets, Fibre Channel and InfiniBand applications over Ethernet at line rate.

Designed for deployment in virtualized data centers, cloud service installations and high performance computing environments, Chelsio adapters bring a new level of performance metrics and functional capabilities to the computer networking industry.

1.1. Features

Chelsio Unified Wire driver package for FreeBSD contains Network, iSCSI and iWARP drivers for Chelsio's Unified Wire adapters.

The Unified Wire Installer installs the following Chelsio drivers, features and software:

- Network driver (NIC-TOE)
- iWARP driver
- iSCSI PDU Offload Target driver
- Offload IPv6 driver

Please refer to their respective sections for more information.

1.2. Hardware Requirements

The Chelsio Unified Wire supports all x64 architectures supporting PCIE (x4, x8, x16) slots.

- AMD CPUs, 64-bit (x86 64/amd64)
- Intel CPUs, 64-bit (x86 64)



The Chelsio Unified Wire supports 3.3v PCI bus only. Running an adapter on a PCI x4 slot is not recommended as performance will be significantly reduced by the limitations of PCI.

1.2.1. Adapter Requirements

The Chelsio Unified Wire software supports Chelsio Unified Wire Adapters. To know more about the list of adapters supported by each driver, feature and software, please refer to their respective sections.

1.3. Software Requirements

The Chelsio Unified Wire software has been developed to run on FreeBSD based platforms. To know more about the complete list of versions supported by each driver, please refer to their respective sections.

1.4. Package Contents

The Chelsio Unified Wire Source Package consists of the following files/directories:

- **kernel-head**: Source code for different drivers/software.
- docs: The docs directory contains support documents README, Release Notes and User's Guide (this document) for the driver.
- **firmware**: Firmware binaries and firmware configuration files.
- EULA: Chelsio's End User License Agreement.

2. Hardware Installation

- 1. Shutdown/power off your system.
- 2. Power off all remaining peripherals attached to your system.
- 3. Unpack the Chelsio adapter and place it on an anti-static surface.
- 4. Remove the system case cover according to the system manufacturer's instructions.
- 5. Remove the PCI filler plate from the slot where you will install the Ethernet adapter.
- 6. For maximum performance, it is highly recommended to install the adapter into a PCIE x8/x16 slot.
- 7. Holding the Chelsio adapter by the edges, align the edge connector with the PCI connector on the motherboard. Apply even pressure on both edges until the card is firmly seated. It may be necessary to remove the transceiver modules prior to inserting the adapter.
- 8. Secure the Chelsio adapter with a screw, or other securing mechanism, as described by the system manufacturer's instructions. Replace the case cover.
- 9. After securing the card, ensure that the card is still fully seated in the PCIE x8/x16 slot as sometimes the process of securing the card causes the card to become unseated.
- 10. Connect a fiber/twinax cable, multi-mode for short range (SR) optics or single-mode for long range (LR) optics, to the Ethernet adapter or regular Ethernet cable for the 1Gb Ethernet adapter.
- 11. Power on your system.
- 12. Verify if the adapter was installed successfully by using the following command:
 - a. For T6 adapters:

```
6iov0@pci0:129:0:0:
                        class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x60071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
            = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
   vendor
             = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
   device
            = network
  subclass = ethernet
6iov1@pci0:129:0:1: class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x60071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
  vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
             = network
  class
   subclass = ethernet
6iov2@pci0:129:0:2: class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x60071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
  vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
  class = network
subclass = ethernet
6iov3@pci0:129:0:3: class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x60071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
  vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
  class
             = ethernet
  subclass
6nex0@pci0:129:0:4:
                      class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x64071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
  device
             = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
             = network
  class
  subclass = ethernet
 ne150@pci0:129:0:5: class=0x010000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x65071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
  vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
              = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Storage Controller'
  device
            = mass storage
  subclass = SCSI
                       class=0x0c0400 card=0x00001425 chip=0x66071425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
 ne151@pci0:129:0:6:
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
             = 'T62100-LP-CR Unified Wire Storage Controller'
             = serial bus
  class
   subclass = Fibre Channel
```

b. For T5 adapters:

```
class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x50011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
t5iov0@pci0:3:0:0:
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
   class
              = network
   subclass = ethernet
t5iov1@pci0:3:0:1: class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x50011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
class = network
   subclass = ethernet
t5iov2@pci0:3:0:2: class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x50011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
   class
   subclass = ethernet
t5iov3@pci0:3:0:3:
                        class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x50011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethern
class = network
               = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
   subclass = ethernet
t5nex0@pci0:3:0:4:
                        class=0x020000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x54011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
device = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Ethernet Controller'
   class
              = network
   subclass = ethernet
none65@pci0:3:0:5:
                        class=0x010000 card=0x00001425 chip=0x55011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
   device = 'T520-CR Uni
class = mass storage
subclass = SCSI
              = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Storage Controller'
none66@pci0:3:0:6:
                         class=0x0c0400 card=0x00001425 chip=0x56011425 rev=0x00 hdr=0x00
   vendor = 'Chelsio Communications Inc'
              = 'T520-CR Unified Wire Storage Controller'
   class
               = serial bus
   subclass = Fibre Channel
```

For Chelsio adapters, the physical functions are currently assigned as:

- Physical functions 0 3: for the SR-IOV functions of the adapter
- Physical function 4: for all NIC functions of the card
- Physical function 5: for iSCSI
- Physical function 6: for FCoE
- Physical function 7: Currently not assigned

Once driver is installed and loaded, run the following commands and examine the output to see if the card is discovered.

```
[root@host~]# sysctl dev.t5nex.0.%desc
dev.t5nex.0.%desc: Chelsio T520-LL RNIC (rev 0), S/N:RE16130313,
E/C:000000000000000

[root@host~]# dmesg
t5nex0: <Chelsio T520-LL-CR> mem 0xe5300000-0xe537ffff,0xe4000000-
0xe4ffffff,0xe5884000-0xe5885fff irq 16 at device 0.4 on pcil
t5nex0: PCIe x8, 2 ports, 14 MSI-X interrupts, 31 eq, 13 iq
```

The above outputs indicate the hardware configuration of the card as well as the Serial number of the card. As observed by the x8, the card is properly installed in an x8 slot on the machine and the card is using MSI-X interrupts.



Network device names for Chelsio's physical ports are assigned using the following convention: the port farthest from the motherboard will appear as the first Ethernet network interface. However, for T5 40G and T420-BT adapters, the association of physical Ethernet ports and their corresponding network device names is opposite. For these adapters, the port nearest to the motherboard will appear as the first network interface.

3. Software/Driver Installation

3.1. Compiling and Installing the kernel

- Install FreeBSD 10.X/11.X from ftp://ftp.freebsd.org/pub/FreeBSD/releases/amd64/amd64/ISO-IMAGES/
- 2. If you haven't done so already, download the tar-ball ChelsioUwire-FBSD-x.x.x.x.x.tar.gz from Chelsio Download Center, http://service.chelsio.com
- 3. Untar the tar-ball using the following command:

```
[root@host~]# tar xvf ChelsioUwire-FBSD-x.x.x.tar.gz
```

4. This package has the entire FreeBSD world (operating system). You need to build entire FreeBSD world since infiniband core driver compiles only within FreeBSD kernel and not separately as a module.

Build the FreeBSD world (operating system) from the package as follows:

a. Add the following entry in /etc/src.conf file:

```
WITH_OFED='yes'
```

b. Create a backup of existing kernel source.

```
[root@host~]# mv /usr/src /usr/src_bkp
```

- c. Copy the contents of ChelsioUwire-FBSD-x.x.x.x/kernel-head to /usr/src/
- d. Build and install the world as follows:

```
[root@host~]# cd usr/src/
[root@host~]# make buildworld
[root@host~]# make installworld
```

e. Build and install the kernel as follows:

```
[root@host~]# make buildkernel
[root@host~]# make installkernel
```

f. Add the following entries to /boot/loader.conf to enable capabilities:

```
hw.cxgbe.config_file="flash"
hw.cxgbe.rdmacaps_allowed=0xff
hw.cxgbe.iscsicaps_allowed=0xf
```

- g. Reboot the machine for changes to take effect.
- h. After reboot, check if you have booted to the right kernel by executing uname -a. You should see a similar output:

```
[root@kick ~]# uname -a
FreeBSD kick 12.0-CURRENT FreeBSD 12.0-CURRENT #0 f061800bf4e8 (freebsd-head) tip: Thu Nov 10 20:02:53
IST 2016 root@kick:/usr/obj/usr/src/sys/GENERIC amd64
```

5. Verify that the kernel supports TOE:

```
[root@host~]# config -x /boot/kernel/kernel | grep TCP_OFFLOAD
options TCP_OFFLOAD
```

3.2. Userland Tools

Build and install cxgbetool

```
[root@host~]# cd /usr/src/tools/tools/cxgbetool
[root@host~]# make && make install
```

Firmware Update

Firmware will have to be loaded manually. Run the following commands for T6 adapters:

```
[root@host~]# kldload if cxgbe
[root@host~]# cxgbetool t6nexX loadfw ChelsioUwire-FBSD-
x.x.x.x/firmware/t6fw-x.xx.xx.x.bin
[root@host~]# cxgbetool t6nexX loadcfg ChelsioUwire-FBSD-
x.x.x.x/firmware/t6-config.txt
```

Reboot system for changes to take effect.

Firmware version can be verified using:

```
[root@host~]# sysctl -n dev.t6nex.X.firmware version
```

Note For T5 adapters, use t5nex as the parent device, t5fw-x.xx.xx.x.bin as the firmware binary file and t5-config.txt as the firmware configuration file. Similarly, for T4 adapters, use t4nex, t4fw-x.xx.xx.x.bin and t4-config.txt respectively.

4. Software/Driver Update

For any distribution specific problems, please check README and Release Notes included in the release for possible workaround.

Please visit Chelsio support web site http://service.chelsio.com/ for regular updates on various software/drivers. You can also subscribe to our newsletter for the latest software updates.



1. Introduction

Chelsio's Unified Wire adapters provide extensive support for NIC operation, including all stateless offload mechanisms for both IPv4 and IPv6 (IP, TCP and UDP checksum offload, LSO - Large Send Offload aka TSO - TCP Segmentation Offload, and assist mechanisms for accelerating LRO - Large Receive Offload).

A high performance fully offloaded and fully featured TCP/IP stack meets or exceeds software implementations in RFC compliance. Chelsio's Terminator engine provides unparalleled performance through a specialized data flow processor implementation and a host of features designed for high throughput and low latency in demanding conditions and networking environments, using standard size Ethernet frames.

TCP offload is fully implemented in the hardware, thus freeing the CPU from TCP/IP overhead. The freed CPU can be used for any computing needs.

The Network (*cxgbe*) driver provides support for PCI Express Ethernet adapters based on the Chelsio Terminator ASIC.

1.1. Hardware Requirements

1.1.1. Supported Adapters

The following are the currently shipping Chelsio adapters that are compatible with Chelsio Network driver:

- T62100-LP-CR
- T6225-CR
- T580-CR
- T580-LP-CR
- T580-SO-CR*
- T540-CR
- T520-CR
- T520-LL-CR
- T520-SO-CR*
- T420-CR
- T420-LL-CR
- T440-CR
- T440-LP-CR
- T422-CR
- T420-SO-CR*
- T420-CX
- T420-BT
- T404-BT

*Only NIC supported

1.2. Software Requirements

Currently the Network driver is available for the following version(s):

- FreeBSD 10.3-RELEASE
- FreeBSD 11.0-RELEASE

Other versions have not been tested and are not guaranteed to work.

2. Software/Driver Loading

The driver(s) must be loaded by the root user. Any attempt to load the driver(s) as a regular user will fail.

2.1. Loading NIC driver

Load the NIC driver using the command given below:

[root@host~]# kldload if cxgbe

2.2. Loading TOE driver

The TOE driver module (t4_tom.ko) is needed if you plan to use the TOE and iWARP capabilities and must be loaded manually. Run the following command to do so:

[[root@host~]# kldload t4 tom



The NIC module (if_cxgbe) by itself can be loaded / unloaded at any time, but once the TOE driver module (t4_tom) is loaded, it will prevent both the modules from being unloaded.

3. Software/Driver Configuration and Fine-tuning

3.1. Enabling network interface

Enable any Chelsio T6 network interface using the following command:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX <ip_address> up
```

For T5 interfaces, run the following command:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig cxlX <ip_address> up
```

For T4 interfaces, run the following command:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig cxgbeX <ip_address> up
```

3.2. Enabling TCP Offload

Enable TCP offload on a T6 interface using *ifconfig*. An error usually indicates that *t4_tom* is not loaded.

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX toe
```

For T5 interfaces, run the following command:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig cxlX toe
```

For T4 interfaces, run the following command:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig cxgbeX toe
```

If successful, TOE4 and TOE6 will be displayed in the list of the enabled options as shown in example below:

When a TOE capable interface is the outbound path to a destination to which a new connection is being offloaded, the connection should be offloaded automatically. Verify with *netstat*

```
[root@host~]# netstat -np tcp | grep toe
```

3.3. Enabling DDP

DDP is disabled by default. To enable it, run the sysctl command.

For T6 adapters:

```
[root@host~]# sysctl -w dev.t6nex.X.toe.ddp=1
```

For T5 adapters:

```
[root@host~]# sysctl -w dev.t5nex.X.toe.ddp=1
```

For T4 adapters:

```
[root@host~]# sysctl -w dev.t4nex.X.toe.ddp=1
```

3.4.

Network Device Configuration

Please refer to the operating system documentation for administration and configuration of network devices.



Some operating systems may attempt to auto-configure the detected hardware and some may not detect all ports on a multi-port adapter. If this happens, please refer to the operating system documentation for manually configuring the network device.

4. Software/Driver Unloading

4.1. Unloading the NIC driver module

To unload the NIC driver module, run the following command:

[root@host~]# kldunload if cxgbe

Note NIC module cannot be unloaded if TOE module is loaded.

4.2. Unloading the TOE driver module

Please reboot the system.

III. iWARP

1. Introduction

The iWARP (*iw_cxgbe*) driver provides support for iWARP including RDMA, DDP and MPA protocols.

1.1. Hardware Requirements

1.1.1. Supported Adapters

Following are the currently shipping Chelsio adapters that are compatible with the iWARP driver:

- T62100-LP-CR
- T6225-CR
- T580-CR
- T580-LP-CR
- T540-CR
- T520-CR
- T520-LL-CR
- T420-CR
- T440-CR
- T422-CR
- T404-BT

1.2. Software Requirements

Currently the iWARP driver is available for the following version(s):

- FreeBSD 10.3-RELEASE
- FreeBSD 11.0-RELEASE

Other versions have not been tested and are not guaranteed to work.

2. Software/Driver Loading

The driver must be loaded by the root user. Any attempt to load the driver as a regular user will fail.

1. If not done already, load NIC and TOE drivers:

```
[root@host~]# kldload if_cxgbe
[root@host~]# kldload t4_tom
```

2. Bring up the interface and enable TOE:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX up
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX toe
```

3. Load the iWARP driver module using the following command:

```
[root@host~]# kldload iw_cxgbe
```

3. Software/Driver Unloading

Please reboot the system to unload the iWARP driver module.

4. Software/Driver Configuration and Fine-tuning

4.1. Verifying iWARP Functionality

1. Load *krping* module using the following command:

```
[root@host~]# kldload krping
```

2. Start krping server on one machine as:

```
[root@host~]# echo
"verbose,count=5000,server,addr=<chelsioInterface>,port=<port>" >
/dev/krping
```

3. Start krping client on PEER machine as:

```
[root@host~]# echo
"verbose, count=5000, client, addr=<Server_chelsioInterface>, port=<port>" >
/dev/krping
```

4. After starting the client, read the /dev/krping on server as:

```
[root@host~]# cat /dev/krping
krping:num device snd bytes snd msgs rcv bytes rcv msgs wr bytes wr msgs rd bytes rd msgs
krping: 1 listen 0 0 16 1 60085 70624 917184 0
```



1. Introduction

Chelsio iSCSI PDU Offload Target (*cxgbei.ko*) is the hardware accelerated iSCSI target module for Chelsio TOE capable adapters supported by NIC driver (*if_cxgbe*) and provides support for offloading iSCSI traffic.

On the host side the driver interacts with the storage stack via the ICL (iSCSI Common Layer) in the kernel. On the wire, standard iSCSI traffic (SCSI over TCP as per RFC 3720/7143 etc.) interoperates with all other standards compliant implementations. The driver is layered on top of the TOE driver (t4_tom) and promotes connections being handled by t4_tom in iSCSI ULP (Upper Layer Protocol) mode. The driver provides hardware assistance including:

- Full TCP processing.
- iSCSI PDU identification and recovery within the TCP stream.
- Header and/or data digest insertion (Tx) and verification (Rx).
- Zero copy (both Tx and Rx).

1.1. Hardware Requirements

1.1.1. Supported Adapters

The following are the currently shipping Chelsio adapters that are compatible with iSCSI PDU Offload Target software:

- T62100-LP-CR
- T6225-CR
- T580-CR
- T580-LP-CR
- T540-CR
- T520-CR
- T520-LL-CR
- T420-CR
- T420-LL-CR
- T440-CR
- T440-LP-CR
- T422-CR
- T420-CX
- T420-BT
- T404-BT

1.2.

Software Requirements

cxgbei.ko is the iSCSI PDU offload target mode driver.

if cxgbe, toecore and t4 tom modules are required by cxgbei.ko module to work.

1.2.1. FreeBSD Requirements

Currently the iSCSI PDU driver is available for the following version(s):

- FreeBSD 10.3-RELEASE
- FreeBSD 11.0-RELEASE

Other versions have not been tested and are not guaranteed to work.

2. Software/Driver Loading

2.1. Module Installation

1. Compile and install iSCSI module

```
[root@host~]# cd /usr/src/sys/modules/iscsi
[root@host~]# make
[root@host~]# make install
```

2. Compile and install ctl drivers

```
[root@host~]# cd /usr/src/sys/modules/ctl
[root@host~]# make
[root@host~]# make install
```

3. Compile and install ctld

```
[root@host~]# cd /usr/src/usr.sbin/ctld
[root@host~]# make all install
```

4. Compile and install iSCSI PDU offload target module

```
[root@host~]# cd /usr/src/sys/modules/cxgbe/cxgbei
[root@host~]# make
[root@host~]# make install
```

2.2. Module Loading

1. If not done already, load NIC and TOE drivers:

```
[root@host~]# kldload if_cxgbe
[root@host~]# kldload t4_tom
```

2. Bring up the interface and enable TOE:

```
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX up
[root@host~]# ifconfig ccX toe
```

3. Load iSCSI PDU offload target module:

```
[root@host~]# kldload cxgbei
```

3. Software/Driver Configuration and Fine-tuning

3.1. Starting iSCSI Target

1. Make necessary changes in the iSCSI configuration file located in /etc/ctl.conf.

Sample:

2. Start iSCSI service

```
[root@host~]# service ctld onestart
```

4. Software/Driver Unloading

Use the following command to unload the iSCSI PDU offload target module:

[root@host~]# kldunload cxgbei



V. Offload IPv6 driver

1. Introduction

The growth of the Internet has created a need for more addresses than are possible with IPv4. Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) is a version of the Internet Protocol (IP) designed to succeed the Internet Protocol version 4 (IPv4).

Chelsio's Offload IPv6 feature provides support to fully offload IPv6 traffic on to the Unified wire adapter.

1.1. Hardware Requirements

1.1.1. Supported Adapters

The following are the currently shipping Chelsio adapters that are compatible with Chelsio Offload IPv6 feature:

- T62100-LP-CR
- T6225-CR
- T580-CR
- T580-LP-CR
- T540-CR
- T520-CR
- T520-LL-CR
- T420-CR
- T420-LL-CR
- T440-CR
- T440-LP-CR
- T422-CR
- T420-CX
- T420-BT
- T404-BT

1.2. Software Requirements

1.2.1. FreeBSD Requirements

Currently the Offload IPv6 feature is available for the following versions:

- FreeBSD 10.3-RELEASE
- FreeBSD 11.0-RELEASE

Other kernel versions have not been tested and are not guaranteed to work.

2. Software/Driver Configuration and Fine-tuning

i. Add the following entry in /etc/rc.conf file:

ipv6 prefer="YES"

- ii. Reboot the system.
- iii. TOE driver (*t4_tom*) must be installed and loaded in order to use the Offload IPv6 feature. Also, the driver must be loaded by the root user. Any attempt to load the driver as a regular user will fail.

Load the TOE driver as:

[root@host~]# kldload t4 tom

All IPv6 traffic will be offloaded now.



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