

This document lists the steps to be followed to build Hadoop 3 with native libraries and Intel-ISAL library. Both are optional features in Hadoop by default.

Native Hadoop

Hadoop has native implementations of certain components for performance reasons and for non-availability of Java implementations. These components are available in a single, dynamically-linked native library called the native hadoop library. The library is named libhadoop.so in GNU/Linux platforms. The native hadoop library is written in ANSI C and is built using the GNU autotools-chain (autoconf, autoheader, automake, autoscan, libtool).

1. Install native libraries required for Hadoop on all instances (both master and slave nodes):

```
sudo apt -y install build-essential autoconf automake libtool  
cmake zlib1g-dev pkg-config libssl-dev libsasl2-dev
```
2. Compile Hadoop source with the native flag on

```
sudo mvn package -Pdist,native -DskipTests -Dtar
```
3. After successful build, the newly built native libraries of the project are located at
~/hadoop-dist/target/Hadoop-3.0.0/lib/native

Intel Intelligent Storage Acceleration library (ISAL)

1. ISAL needs to be configured on all nodes (both master and slaves)
2. Download ISAL from the GitHub page
<https://github.com/intel/isa-l>
3. Follow instructions as given on the page. I got initial error that ISAL requires YASM 1.2.0 or higher.
4. From the website:
<http://manpages.ubuntu.com/manpages/trusty/man1/yasm.1.html>
install latest version from this page (downloaded deb and ran dpkg).
5. While running ./autogen.sh for configuring ISAL,
error: possibly undefined macro: AC_PROG_LD
This is because some essential build tools were missing.
6. Fixed with the following:

```
sudo apt install autogen autoconf libtool
```
7. 'make' for building ISAL is not available by default, install it using

```
sudo apt install make
```
8. Now Hadoop source can be built with ISAL support using the following command:

```
sudo mvn package -Pnative -Pdist -Dtar -DskipTests -Drequire.isal  
-Disal.lib=/usr/lib -Dbundle.isal
```

- * Use -Drequire.isal to fail the build if libisal.so is not found.
- * Use -Disal.lib to specify a nonstandard location for the libisal library files (mine got installed in the location /usr/lib).
- * Use -Dbundle.isal to copy the contents of the isal.lib directory into the final tar file. This option requires that -Disal.lib is also given, and it ignores the -Disal.prefix option. If -Disal.lib isn't given, the bundling and building will fail.

Important step

After enabling native library and ISA-L please add the following code to the project configuration file at \$HADOOP_HOME/etc/hadoop/hadoop-env.sh:

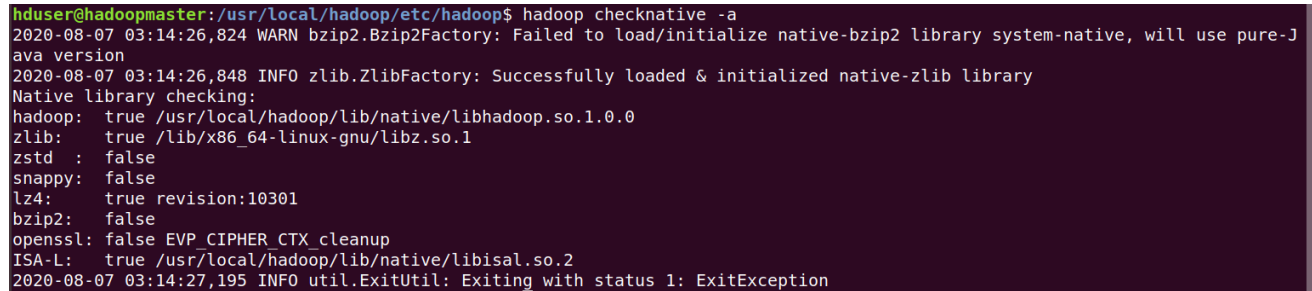
```
export HADOOP_COMMON_LIB_NATIVE_DIR=$HADOOP_HOME/lib/native
export HADOOP_OPTS="-Djava.library.path=$HADOOP_COMMON_LIB_NATIVE_DIR"
```

This is for the name node to recognize the libraries.

We can check the status of native libraries by issuing the hdfs command

```
hadoop checknative
```

Below is the screenshot:

A terminal window showing the output of the 'hadoop checknative -a' command. The output includes log messages for bzip2, zlib, and util.ExitUtil, followed by a list of native libraries and their status. The status for 'hadoop', 'zlib', and 'ISA-L' is 'true', while 'zstd', 'snappy', 'lz4', 'bzip2', and 'openssl' are 'false'.

```
hduser@hadoopmaster: /usr/local/hadoop/etc/hadoop$ hadoop checknative -a
2020-08-07 03:14:26,824 WARN bzip2.Bzip2Factory: Failed to load/initialize native-bzip2 library system-native, will use pure-J
ava version
2020-08-07 03:14:26,848 INFO zlib.ZlibFactory: Successfully loaded & initialized native-zlib library
Native library checking:
hadoop: true /usr/local/hadoop/lib/native/libhadoop.so.1.0.0
zlib: true /lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/libz.so.1
zstd : false
snappy: false
lz4: true revision:10301
bzip2: false
openssl: false EVP_CIPHER_CTX_cleanup
ISA-L: true /usr/local/hadoop/lib/native/libisal.so.2
2020-08-07 03:14:27,195 INFO util.ExitUtil: Exiting with status 1: ExitException
```

It shows that native libraries and ISA-L are enabled.

References:

<https://hadoop.apache.org/docs/stable/hadoop-project-dist/hadoop-common/NativeLibraries.html>

<https://hadoop.apache.org/docs/r3.0.0/hadoop-project-dist/hadoop-hdfs/HDFSErasureCoding.html>

<https://github.com/intel/isa-l>