

IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.3.4



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Introduction

IBM Aspera faspio Gateway is a lightweight software component for high-speed bidirectional data transport. Using the patented Aspera FASP protocol, faspio achieves speeds of up to 5 Gb/sec of aggregated FASP traffic over unmanaged networks.

IBM Aspera faspio Gateway fully uses available bandwidth to transfer data in byte-order sequence at the maximum possible speed with near-zero latency. It removes the barriers of size, distance, and complexity to move data between on-premises and cloud infrastructures. Provides significant improvements in performance and service quality when transferring data between highly remote or dispersed locations in unfavorable network conditions, such as high latency and packet loss.

Aspera faspio Gateway is a software component that can be integrated quickly and easily with existing applications that use a TCP/UDP connection for their data flow. It improves nearly all server-to-server TCP-based data flows regardless of the distance and network conditions.

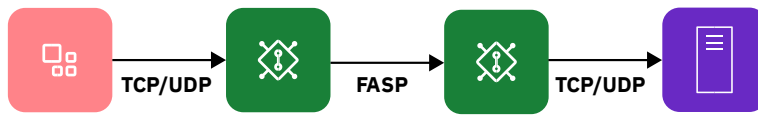
IBM Aspera faspio Gateway acts as a transport layer proxy between TCP/UDP and Aspera FASP.

Usage

Gateway client/server usage

In this configuration, two faspio Gateways are used to bridge TCP/UDP connections from TCP/UDP clients to a TCP/UDP server over FASP:

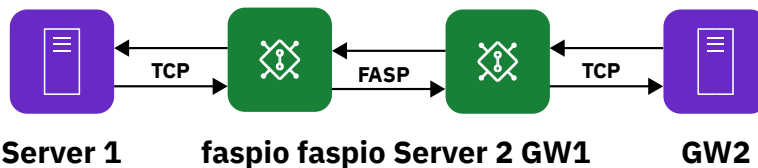
Note: UDP supports only one connection at a time.



Client faspio faspio Server GW1 GW2

Gateway server/server usage

For some use cases, such as DB replication or messaging services (like MQ or Event Streams), both sides must establish communication. In this mode, each server initiates a connection to the other:



For more information about how to configure these two cases, see [“Configuring the Gateway”](#) on page 9.

License

The faspio Gateway requires a license for using the Gateway as a FASP server. No license is required to use the Gateway as a client.

Perpetual license

- If you purchased faspio Gateway, you can obtain your license key by emailing the IBM Aspera licenseteam at aspera-license@ibm.com with the site ID and the order number for your purchase, the part numbers and quantities that are required, and the email addresses to which the licenses must be sent.
- If you encounter any issue with the license you obtained, send an email to asperalicense@wwpd.vnet.ibm.com.

Per-license limits

License limit	Limit value
Maximum total per-process aggregate bandwidth (in and out traffic combined)	5 Gbps
Maximum number of bridges per gateway	50 bridges per gateway
Maximum number of concurrent sessions per gateway	20 sessions per gateway

License errors

If you start the Gateway with an invalid license, you might see one of the following errors.

- If you do not have a license, faspio Gateway reports:

```
The current license does not allow for FASP to run in server-mode (i.e.
bridge.local.protocol="fasp")
[2022-01-25 12:26:42.899] [ gateway ] [ error ] license-checking failure - "no license
loaded"
```

- If your license is expired, faspio Gateway reports:

```
The current license does not allow for FASP to run in server-mode (i.e.
bridge.local.protocol="fasp") [2022-01-25 12:26:42.899] [ gateway ] [ error ] license-
checking failure - "license expired"
```

PDFs

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- [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.3.3 Guide](#) • [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.3.3 Release Notes](#)

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- [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.3.2 Guide](#)

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- [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.3.2 Release Notes](#)

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- [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.0 Guide](#) • [IBM Aspera faspio Gateway 1.0.1 Release Notes](#)

Installation and configuration

Installing on macOS

Download and install IBM Aspera faspio Gateway on your macOS system.

About this task

To install faspio Gateway on your macOS machine:

Procedure

1. Verify that you're on a supported version of macOS. Supported versions are listed in the release notes.
2. Download the macOS .pkg installer from [IBM Passport Advantage](#).

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The name of the installer must be similar to:

```
ibm-faspio-gateway_1.1.0-version_macOS.pkg
```

3. Run the installer by opening the file and following the prompts.
4. If you are using faspio Gateway as a FASP server, you must provide a valid license at `/usr/local/etc/faspio/aspera-license`.

For more information about configuration and client versus server usage, see [“Configuring the Gateway” on page 9](#).

Results

The installed file locations are indicated as follows:

Executable

```
/usr/local/bin/faspio-gateway
```

IBM Aspera license

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/aspera-license
```

Configuration files

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml  
/usr/local/etc/faspio/logging.toml
```

Launchd service configuration file

```
/Library/LaunchDaemons/com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway.plist
```

IBM SWID file

```
/usr/local/share/faspio-gateway/iso-swid/ibm.com_IBM_Aspira_faspio_Gateway-1.0.0.swidtag
```

IBM software licenses

```
/usr/local/share/faspio-gateway/license/*
```

Installing on Linux

Download and install IBM Aspera faspio Gateway on your Linux system.

About this task

To install faspio Gateway on your Linux machine:

Procedure

1. Verify that you're on a supported version of Linux. Supported versions are listed in the release notes.
2. Download the Linux installer from [IBM Passport Advantage](#).
3. Choose the `.deb` or `.rpm` package that is specifically for your system.

The names of the installers follow the syntax:

```
ibm-faspio-gateway_1.2.0-version_arch.deb ibm-faspio-gateway_1.2.0-  
version_arch.rpm
```

4. Install from either the `.deb` or `.rpm` package:

- `.deb`:

```
sudo apt install ./ibm-faspio-gateway_1.2.0-version_arch.deb
```

- .rpm:

```
sudo yum install ./ibm-faspio-gateway_1.2.0-version_arch.rpm
```

5. If you are using faspio Gateway as a FASP server, you must provide a valid license at `/usr/local/etc/faspio/aspera-license`.

For more information about configuration and client versus server usage, see [“Configuring the Gateway”](#) on page 9.

Installation and configuration

Results

The installed file locations are indicated as follows:

Executable

```
/usr/local/bin/faspio-gateway
```

IBM Aspera license

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/aspera-license
```

Configuration files

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml  
/usr/local/etc/faspio/logging.toml
```

SystemD service configuration file

```
/usr/local/lib/systemd/system/faspio-gateway.service
```

IBM SWID file

```
/usr/local/share/faspio-gateway/iso-swid/ibm.com_IBM_Aspera_faspio_Gateway-1.0.0.swidtag
```

IBM software licenses

```
/usr/local/share/faspio-gateway/license/*
```

Installing on Windows

Download and install IBM Aspera faspio Gateway on your Windows system.

About this task

To install faspio Gateway on your Windows machine:

Procedure

1. Verify that you're on a supported version of Windows and are logged in with an account that has administrator privileges. Supported versions are listed in the release notes.
2. Download the Windows .msi installer from IBM Passport Advantage: [IBM Passport Advantage](#).

The name of the installer must be similar to:

```
ibm-faspio-gateway_version_win64.msi
```


3. Open the .msi file. The installer wizard starts. Follow the prompts to complete the installation.
4. If you are using faspio Gateway as a FASP server, you must provide a valid license at C:\Program Files\IBM\faspio Gateway\config\aspera-license.
For more information about configuration and client versus server usage, see [“Configuring the Gateway” on page 9.](#)

Results

The installed file locations are indicated as follows:

```
C:\Program Files\IBM\faspio Gateway\
```

Executable

```
bin\faspio-gateway
```

IBM Aspera license

```
config\aspera-license
```

Configuration files

```
config\gateway.toml
```

```
config\logging.toml
```

IBM SWID file

```
iso-swid\ibm.com_IBM_Aspira_faspio_Gateway-1.0.0.swidtag
```

IBM software licenses

```
license\*
```

Configuring the Gateway

Configure two or more faspio Gateway servers to connect to each other.

The Gateway configuration file

The IBM Aspera faspio Gateway configuration file, `gateway.toml`, is located here:

Linux, macOS:

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml
```

Windows:

```
C:\Program Files\IBM\faspio Gateway\config\gateway.toml
```

The `gateway.toml` file that is included in the installation is provided as a template. Modify this file to specify your ports, hostnames, and so on.

Every time that you modify `gateway.toml` to make changes for your configuration, you must restart the IBM Aspera faspio Gateway service. For more information on starting and stopping the Gateway service, see [“Starting faspio Gateway” on page 20.](#)

Note: The version of the FASP protocol that is included in faspio Gateway uses a single UDP port. Whatever port you configure for your FASP connection over the WAN must have the same UDP port open on any firewalls along the connection path.

Configuration examples

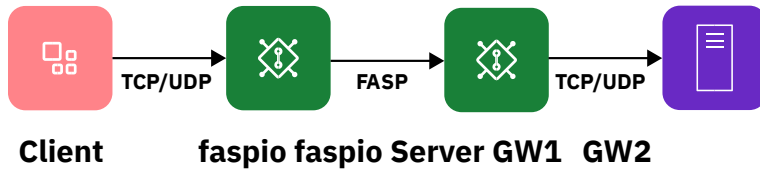
Important: For simplicity, the examples in the following section do not include security settings. After understanding how to configure the connection between servers, make sure to [understand how to secure your servers](#). Security is enabled by default and you need to properly configure security settings before you can use your Gateway servers.

Example: Client to Server

In this configuration, two Gateways are used to establish a FASP bridge between two TCP/UDP connections, a TCP/UDP client, and a TCP/UDP server:

Note: UDP supports only one connection at a time. For some use cases, such as video or streaming services, the client side must establish communication.

Installation and configuration



Given a server listening on port 12345, configure your client to point to Gateway 1 (GW1 IP) and port 12345:

GW1 Configuration

```

[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 12345
  http_proxy_enabled = true
  tls_enabled = false

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "GW2"
  port = 12345
  
```

GW2 Configuration

```

[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 12345

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "Server"
  port = 12345
  
```

protocol

The transfer protocol type, either "tcp" or "fasp". The protocol type must be quoted.

host

The hostname or IP address, always quoted.

port

Either of these:

- Port number (quoting optional, except for the port range).
- Known port/service name (quoting required), such as "http" or "ftp-data".

You can specify a range or a list of numbered ports.

Port range:

- Use a hyphen and quotation marks; for example, "100-110".
- The range of port numbers must be ascending (low to high); for example, "100-110", but not "100-90".
- The size of the range cannot exceed 50 ports.
- If a port range is used, the range for the local port and the forward port must be the same size.
- The ranges do not need to consist of the same ports. For example, the local range might be "501-509" and the forward range might be "511-519"; however, the forward range might not be "511-520".

List of ports:

- Use commas and quotation marks; for example, "12345, 12347, 12349, 12351".

http_proxy_enabled

When set to true GW1 acts as an HTTP proxy.

tls_enabled

When set to true TLS is enabled for the bridge communication.

Port range configuration: Many to one port

You can now define a range of ports in the configuration file (toml) on the local interface, and a single port on the forward interface. This configuration allows you to add connections on a port range to a single port when forwarded.

Example: Many to one port

```
[[bridge]]
  name = "Bridge-many2one"
  [bridge.local]
    protocol = "fasp"
    port = "4142-4144"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  tls_enabled = false
  protocol = "tcp"
  port = "12346"
  [bridge.forward]
    host = "127.0.0.1"
```

Example: List of ports

```
[[bridge]]
  name = "Bridge-port-list"
  [bridge.local]
    protocol = "fasp"
    port = "4142,4144"
    host = "0.0.0.0"
    tls_enabled = false
  [bridge.forward]
    protocol = "tcp"
    port = "12346,12348"
    host = "127.0.0.1"
    tls_enabled = false
```

Example: Port range

```
[[bridge]]
  name = "Bridge-port-range"
  [bridge.local]
    protocol = "fasp"
    port = "4142-4144"
    host = "0.0.0.0"
    tls_enabled = false
  [bridge.forward]
    protocol = "tcp"
    port = "12346-12348"
    host = "127.0.0.1"
    tls_enabled = false
```

Example: Forwarding to the first available host

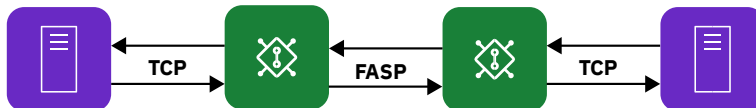
For `bridge.forward`, Gateway can loop through an array of specified hostnames or IP addresses and forward to the first available host it finds. For example,

```
[bridge.forward]
protocol = "fasp"
host = ["GW2", "10.0.0.2"]
port = 12345
```

A hostname can resolve to multiple IP addresses. If a hostname is specified, either as a single entry or as an entry within the array, each of its IP addresses are tried until a connection is established.

Example: Server to Server

For some use cases, such as DB replication or messaging services (like MQ or Event Streams), communication must be established by both sides. In this mode, each server initiates a connection to the other:



Server 1 faspio faspio Server 2 GW1 GW2

GW1 configuration

```
[[bridge]]
  name = "Outbound"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 12345

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "GW2"
  port = 12345

[[bridge]]    name =
  "Inbound"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 54321

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "Server1"
  port = 54321
```

GW2 configuration

```
[[bridge]]
  name = "Outbound"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 54321

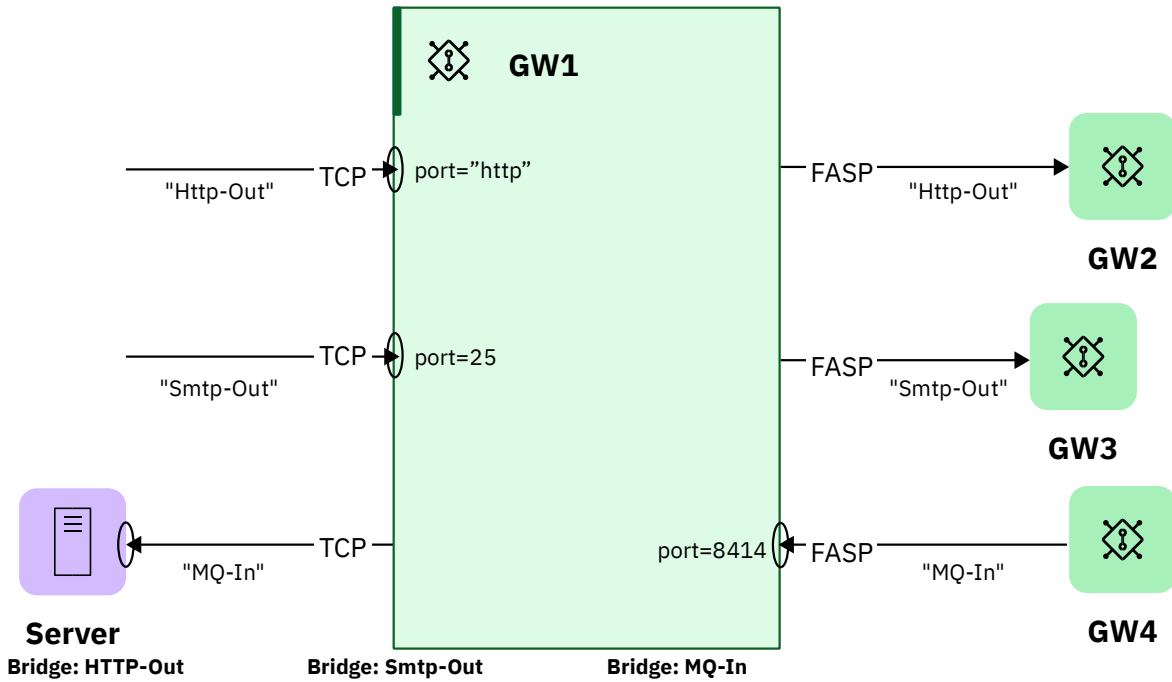
  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "GW1"
  port = 54321

[[bridge]]    name =
  "Inbound"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "0.0.0.0"
  port = 12345

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "Server2"
  port = 12345
```

Gateway configuration options

Gateway can also be configured with multiple bridges, multiple ports, multiple destinations, and multiple services. The following image shows a single gateway that is configured with examples of these combinations.



```

[[bridge]]
  name = "Http-Out"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host =
    "0.0.0.0"
    port = "http"
  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "GW2"
  port = "http"

[[bridge]]
  name = "Sntp-Out"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host =
    "0.0.0.0"
    port = 25
  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host =
    "GW3"

[[bridge]]
  name = "MQ-In"
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host =
    "0.0.0.0"
    port = 8414
  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host =
    "Server1"
    port = 8414

```

Binding to a specific address

This configuration lets you bind the forwarding connection to a specific NIC on the machine. To achieve this, add the option `bind_address` in the config file.

Local parameters:

host

Deprecated and replaced with `bind_address`.

protocol

This is a required field.

bind_address

This is a required field. It can be an IP address or a hostname, and it specifies which interface to listen on. `127.0.0.1` for the loopback interface, `0.0.0.0` to listen on all interfaces. **port**

This is a required field.

Forward parameters:

host

This is a required field. Represents the remote host to connect to. It can either be a single IP address or hostname, and an array of IP addresses or hostnames. The hostname can also resolve to multiple IP addresses and the system attempts to connect to the first IP address and then the other ones if that fails.

protocol

This is a required field.

bind_address

This is an optional field. It can be an IP address or a hostname and it specifies which interface to connect to.

port

This is a required field.

Example: Binding to a specific address

```
[bridge.local]
protocol = "tcp"
bind_address = "127.0.0.1"
port = 12345          tls_enabled
= false
    [bridge.forward]
protocol = "fasp"
host = "localhost"
port = 12345          tls_enabled
= false
```

Configuring Prometheus for monitoring

Prometheus gathers and saves its measurements as time series data. The information about the metrics is kept along with the timestamp at which it was captured. To enable Prometheus, update the configuration to `enabled = true`. To disable Prometheus, keep the default value `enabled = false`.

To monitor the faspio Gateway by using Prometheus, use the following configuration:

```
[admin]
          host = "127.0.0.1"
port = "8081"
          tls_enabled = true    # Set this to false to disable TLS
cert_chain = "tls/gw1_cert_chain.pem"

prometheus_enabled = true
prometheus_auth = "basic"

[admin.basic_auth]
username = "test"
password_digest =
"$sha-512$esJ0jf7Jc4D8jvjjRauf0ExWtHXG6jvzGx4mIe6X3dh4A87bQEULRJnY4md+14teeMaubIK85EFUFoqdmak4Ig
==Rhhk3CrSSyemgrBP"
```

Configure the parameters that Prometheus uses to receive the data for the monitoring metrics. The following are the parameters:

host

IP address or hostname of the interface to listen on. Default: `127.0.0.1`.

port

Port number to listen on. Default: `8080`.

tls_enabled

Secure Prometheus endpoint with TLS. Default: `true`.

cert_chain

Path to the SSL certificate file. The file must be in PEM format and it must have both the private key and the certificate. Default: '!'

prometheus_enabled

Enable or disable displaying metrics through Prometheus. Default: false.

prometheus_auth

Specify the authentication type. Set it to "basic" or "none". Default: basic.

username

The name of the user that must be authenticated.

password_digest

The password digest of the user that must be authenticated.

Note: If TLS is enabled for a bridge and `cert_key` is not defined, the gateway defaults to `certificate` and `cert_chain` for the private key. For example, this allows the same `cert_chain` path to be used for both bridges and Prometheus.

Password digest

To generate the password digest, run the following command:

```
faspio-gateway digest
```

Follow the prompts so the output gives the password digest that you need to add to the `gateway.toml` along with the wanted username. Add the values under the `[admin.basic_auth]` section as in the following example,

Note: Create the `[admin.basic_auth]` section if it does not exist in the `gateway.toml` file.

```
[admin.basic_auth]
username = "test"
password_digest = "$sha-512$BPd2kBm1W+f7pTc/pFPiSwBCOMYqpPqzyWN9VVPyY/
Jssqd00J5f6Zie6+MIbv9r8ntTPUv/mWHmbiRUYnwJmg==$EcsNAKGiEWtMbQwI"
```

For more information, see [“Starting faspio Gateway” on page 20](#).

Securing the Gateway

The faspio Gateway uses Transport Layer Security (TLS) to secure your TCP connections and initiate key exchange for the FASP protocol.

Important: TLS is enabled by default on all your bridges. You must provide valid certificates to your Gateways before they can connect.

Configuring TLS

When two Gateways connect to each other, they use Mutual TLS (mTLS) authentication to verify that the traffic is secure and trusted in both directions. mTLS requires a certificate chain, a certificate key, and a verification key on both servers. The following sample is a configuration of two servers that are configured with mTLS:

GW1 Configuration (Client)

```
[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "2000-2001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw1_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/gw1_cert_key.pem"
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "Gateway2"
  port = "3000-3001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw1_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/gw1_cert_key.pem"
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"
  host_verify_enabled = true
```

GW2 Configuration (Server)

```
[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "3000-3001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw2_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/gw2_cert_key.pem"
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "4000-4001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw2_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/gw2_cert_key.pem"
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"
```

cert_chain

The relative path to the certificate chain signed by a valid CA.

cert_key

The relative path to the private key that matches the cert chain.

verify

The relative path to the verification key that verifies the other server's chain is signed by the correct CA.

host_verify_enabled

Optionally enforce extra security by requiring that the host field defined in the client's `bridge.forward` section matches the Common Name in the server's SSL certificate.

Disabling TLS

To disable TLS, add `tls_enabled = false` to the section for which connection you want to disable TLS. For example, if your faspio Gateway servers and HSTS servers that are run in the same private and secure network, you might consider disabling TLS for those sections only:

GW1 Configuration (Client)

```
[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "2000-2001"
  tls_enabled = false

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "Gateway2"
  port = "3000-3001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw1_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/g
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"
  host_verify_enabled = true
```

GW2 Configuration (Server)

```
[[bridge]]
  [bridge.local]
  protocol = "fasp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "3000-3001"
  tls_enabled = true
  cert_chain = "tls/
  gw2_cert_chain.pem"
      cert_key = "tls/gw2_cert_key.pem"
  verify = "tls/verify.pem"

  [bridge.forward]
  protocol = "tcp"
  host = "127.0.0.1"
  port = "4000-4001"
  tls_enabled = false
```

Enabling FIPS

In faspio Gateway, FIPS (Federal Information Processing Standards) is disabled by default. To enable FIPS, set the `fips_enabled` flag to `true` in the `/usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml` file. Additionally, you can specify a custom path to the OpenSSL configuration file using the `openssl_config` option in the `[general]` section.

```
# /usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml
[general]
  fips_enabled      = true      openssl_config = "/tmp/openssl.cnf"
```

Using the default path

1. Set the `fips_enabled` flag to `true` in the `gateway.toml` file:

```
# /usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml
[general]
  fips_enabled = true
```

2. Start the gateway.

Using a custom path and custom configuration

1. Set the `fips_enabled` flag to `true` in the `gateway.toml` file:

```
# /usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml
[general]
  fips_enabled = true
```

2. Place your custom `openssl.cnf` file in a location that is accessible to the system user. For example `/tmp/openssl.cnf`. Include the path in the `gateway.toml` file:

```
$ cat /usr/local/etc/faspio/gateway.toml
[general]
  ...
  fips_enabled      = true
  openssl_config    = "/tmp/openssl.cnf"
```

3. Move the `fipsmodule.cnf` file from its default installation location `/usr/local/etc/faspio/fipsmodule.cnf` to a new location that is accessible to the system user. For example `/tmp/fipsmodule.cnf`. Add the full path to the `openssl.cnf` file:

```
$ grep "\.include" /tmp/openssl.cnf
.include /tmp/fipsmodule.cnf
```

4. Start the gateway.

Starting faspio Gateway

To start IBM Aspera faspio Gateway, you start or stop the **faspio-gateway** service that uses one of these methods:

- **Linux:** Uses the **systemd** service manager. Start the service from the command line.
- **Windows:** Start the service from the command line or from the Windows Services panel.
- **macOS:** Uses the **launchd** service manager. Start the service from the command line.

Note: Each time that you change your Gateway configuration by modifying `gateway.toml`, you must restart the service. For more information about configuring your system, see [“Configuring the Gateway” on page 9](#).

Starting on macOS

The OS service manager on macOS is **launchd**, and the terminal command for controlling it is **launchctl**. You can load, unload, start, stop, or check the status of the **faspio-gateway** service by running the **launchctl** subcommands.

launchctl subcommands

- Load the service. Loading the service also starts it:

```
$ sudo launchctl load /Library/LaunchDaemons/com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway.plist
```

- Start the loaded service (such as a stopped service that is still loaded):

```
$ sudo launchctl start com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway
```

- Check the status of the service:

```
$ sudo launchctl list | grep com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway
```

- Stop the service:

```
$ sudo launchctl stop com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway
```

- Unload the service:

```
$ sudo launchctl unload /Library/LaunchDaemons/com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway.plist
```

Starting on Windows

To start the faspio Gateway service on Windows, you start the service from either the command line or the Windows Services panel. Both methods require that you have admin privileges.

To start the service from the command line, run:

```
net start faspio-gateway
```

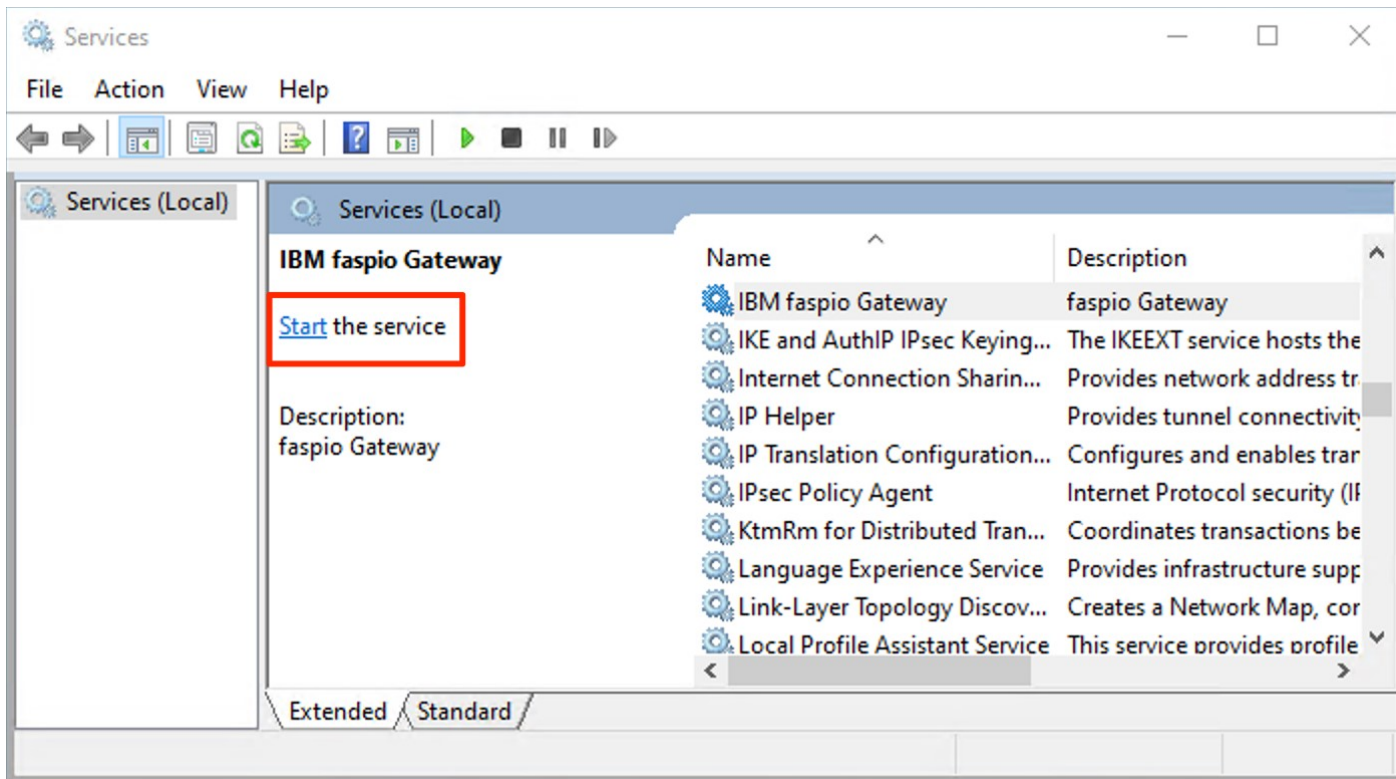
To stop the service:

```
net stop faspio-gateway
```

To start the service from the Windows UI, open the Services panel. To access it quickly, enter **services** in the **Search** from the taskbar (box next to the **Start** button):



Starting faspio Gateway In the display that appears, click **Services**. The Windows **Services** panel opens. In the list of services, find and select **IBM faspio Gateway**. To start the service, click **Start the service**.



Starting faspio Gateway

Starting on Linux

The OS service manager who is used on Linux is **systemd**, and the terminal command for controlling it is **systemctl**. You can load, unload, start, stop, or check the status of the **faspio-gateway** service by running **systemctl** subcommands. You can also use **journalctl** to check service logs.

systemctl subcommands

- Start the service:

```
sudo systemctl start faspio-gateway
```

- Stop the service:

```
sudo systemctl stop faspio-gateway
```

- Enable the service (to restart after restart):

```
sudo systemctl enable faspio-gateway
```

- Check service status:

```
sudo systemctl status faspio-gateway
```

- See service logs:

```
sudo journalctl --unit=faspio-gateway
```

Service not found error message

If you see the following error message when you run one of these commands, systemd might not be monitoring the folder for the faspio Gateway service:

```
Unit faspio-gateway.service not found.
```

If you get the error, the following command usually resolves the problem:

```
sudo systemctl daemon-reload
```

Testing the Gateway

The following tests use the sample configuration from [“Configuring the Gateway” on page 9](#).

Simple echo test through netcat

On both machines, run:

```
faspio-gateway
```

On the server machine (GW2), listen:

```
nc -v -l 12345
```

On the client machine (GW1), connect to the server (GW2):

```
nc GW2_ip_addr 12345
```

netcat must report a connection from your client machine.

Stream data through netcat

On both machines, run:

```
faspio-gateway
```

On the server machine (GW2), listen:

```
nc -v -l 12345 > /dev/null
```

On the client machine (GW1), connect and stream 1 GB of data to the server (GW2):

```
dd if=/dev/zero count=1024 bs=1M | nc -v GW2_ip_addr 12345 >/dev/null
```

netcat must report a successful transfer.

Appendices

Configuring the logging file

Logging configuration file

The logging configuration is defined in `logging.toml`, which is located here:

Linux, macOS:

```
/usr/local/etc/faspio/logging.toml
```

Windows:

```
C:\Program Files\IBM\faspio Gateway\config\logging.toml
```

Error, warnings, and information logs are sent to the console by default. In the default `logging.toml` file, four loggers are made available:

- `gateway` – High-level logger for the gateway.
- `s2s` – Stream-to-stream session class logger.
- `faspio-cpp` – Logger for the Asio/C++ FASP SDK.
- `faspio-c` – Logger for the FASP protocol.

Note: Every time that you modify `logging.toml`, you must restart the faspio Gateway service.

For more information about how to configure logging, see the full reference at: https://github.com/guangle88/spdlog_setup.

Notes:

- The `level` setting is optional for both sinks and loggers.
- The `level` for error logging is `err`, not `error`.
- The `_st` suffix means single-threaded.
- The `_mt` suffix means multi-threaded.
- `syslog_sink` is thread-safe by default. No `_mt` suffix is required.

The `spdlog` default logging format is:

```
[2014-10-31 23:46:59.678] [loggername] [info] message
```

Appendices

For more information about how to customize `spdlog` formatting, see: <https://github.com/gabime/spdlog/wiki/3.-Custom-formatting>

Configuring log path and log levels

You can configure log levels and specify where the logs are sent using `spdlog_setup`.

Configuring log levels

You can set the desired log level to filter out messages. The available log levels, in increasing order of severity, are:

- trace
- debug
- info
- warn
- error
- critical

You can configure log levels using `spdlog_setup`. For more information on `spdlog`, see the full reference at: https://github.com/guangie88/spdlog_setup:

1. Edit your TOML logging configuration file to define log levels for loggers:

```
[[logger]] name =  
  "my_logger"  
  level = "debug" # Set the desired log level (e.g., debug)
```

Configuring Sinks

Sinks determine where log messages are sent. You can configure `spdlog_setup` to send log messages to the console and/or a file.

1. Edit your logging TOML configuration file to define sinks:

```
[[sink]]  
name = "console_sink"  
type = "stdout_sink_mt" # Use stdout_sink_mt for console output  
  
[[sink]] name = "file_sink"  
type = "basic_file_sink_mt"  
filename = "log/my_log_file.log" # Specify the log file path
```

2. Associate sinks with loggers:

```
[[logger]] name =  
  "my_logger"  
  sinks = ["console_sink", "file_sink"] # Assign sinks to the logger
```

3. Load the configuration file and log messages.

Uninstalling on macOS

Before you begin

To uninstall faspio Gateway:

Procedure

1. Unload the service:

```
sudo launchctl unload /Library/LaunchDaemons/com.ibm.aspera.faspio-gateway.plist
```

2. Delete all the faspio installed files listed in the previous section (executable, configuration files, launchd service config file, SWID file, and license files).

Uninstalling on Linux

Procedure

To uninstall faspio Gateway, run:

- .deb:

```
sudo apt uninstall ./ibm-faspio-gateway
```

- .rpm:

```
sudo yum uninstall ./ibm-faspio-gateway
```

Results

Note: Previous versions of faspio Gateway (1.1 and before) are called `ibm-fasp.io-gateway`.

Uninstalling on Windows

About this task

To uninstall faspio Gateway:

Procedure

1. Go to **Search** from the taskbar and type **Add or remove programs**.
2. Select **IBM Aspera faspio Gateway** app.
3. Click **Uninstall** and confirm.

Results

Note: Previous versions of faspio Gateway (1.1 and before) are called `ibm-fasp.io-gateway`.

Beta REST API guide

Introduction

The introduction of the faspio Gateway Beta Rest API offers the ability to manage gateways and control the way bridges are created.

The developer guide provides basic examples (with sample code) for managing, creating, and getting information on bridges.

Beta API reference

See the faspio Gateway Beta API reference (OAS 3 format) and developer guides available from the [IBM API Hub](#) on the IBM Developer website.

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