

ReleaseManagement ReleaseVerification

Verifying Rave Releases

As with all Apache release, Rave binaries are signed (the .asc file), and have MD5 and SHA512 message digest files. These are described in more detail [here](#). You can verify your release using GPG with the following steps.

Setting Up

The following steps are a one-time setup.

1. Download and install GPG from <http://www.gnupg.org/download/>
2. Import the Rave signing keys. These are available from <https://svn.apache.org/repos/asf/rave/KEYS>. Download the key file and import with the command **gpg --import KEYS**
3. You may also want to sign and upload the key with your own key pair to a public key server. Again, see [here](#) for more information.

Verifying a Binary Release

1. With the binary `apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip` and the signature file `apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip.asc` in the same directory, verify the binary release signature with **gpg *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip.asc***.
 - a. For untrusted keys, you can verify the fingerprint with **gpg --fingerprint *ABCD1234***, replacing ***ABCD1234*** with the fingerprint of the key used to sign the release.
2. Verify the SHA message digest with **gpg --print-md SHA1 *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip*** and compare to the contents of `apache-rave-0.10.1-bin.zip.sha`.
 - a. You can use UNIX's *diff* for this: **gpg --print-md SHA512 *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip* | diff - *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip.sha***. If the digest matches correctly, you will get no output.
3. Verify the MD5 digest with the command **gpg --print-md md5 *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip*** and compare to the contents of `apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip.md5`.
 - a. You can again use *diff* for this: **gpg --print-md md5 *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip* | diff - *apache-rave-X.Y.Z-bin.zip.md5***. If the digest matches correctly, you will get no output.