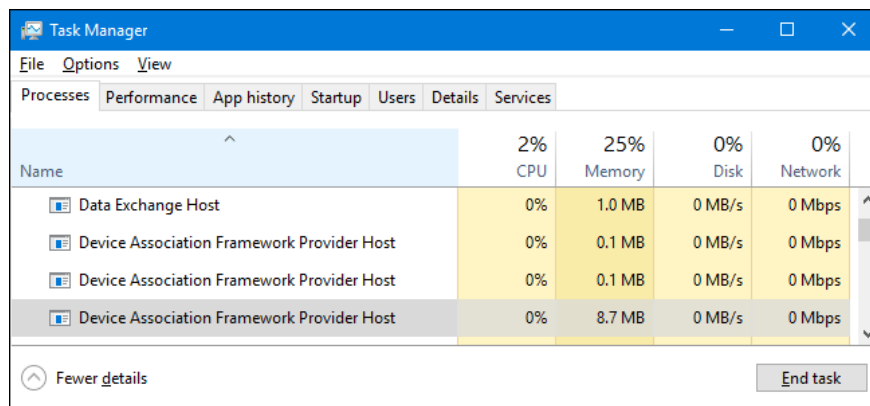


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1. Device Association Framework Provider What is a Host?

Device Association Framework Provider Host is a core Microsoft process and this process runs under the Local Service account. This process is like a framework for connecting and pairing both wireless and wired network connections on Windows operating systems. Each process Device Association Framework Provider Host will display for each connection to the device on Task Manager.

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2. Why does this process consume a lot of space on the CPU?

When operating normally, the Device Association Framework Provider Host will use less system resources. You can see the process uses almost 0% CPU Usage and less than 10 MB of memory.

If you see Device Association Framework Provider Host consuming a lot of system resources, CPU Usage is higher than 70% or using more memory capacity means that there are errors on your device, not is the process.

The downside is that Task Manager does not provide users with a solution to find devices related to Device Association error Framework Provider Host. Instead you will have to do some steps to fix the error.

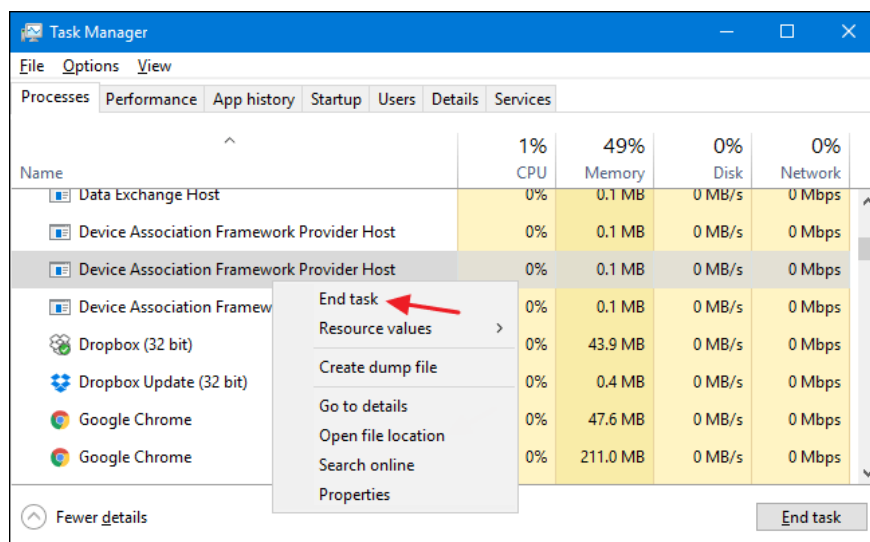
First update (update) your computer. To do this, you need the help of Windows Update.

After your Windows computer has been updated, open Device Manager and check if there are any unknown sources that cannot be identified. If you can identify the device you can ask Windows to search for the device driver. If Windows cannot determine the location of the devices, you can search for drivers of these unknown devices.

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3. Can the Device Association Framework Provider Host be disabled?

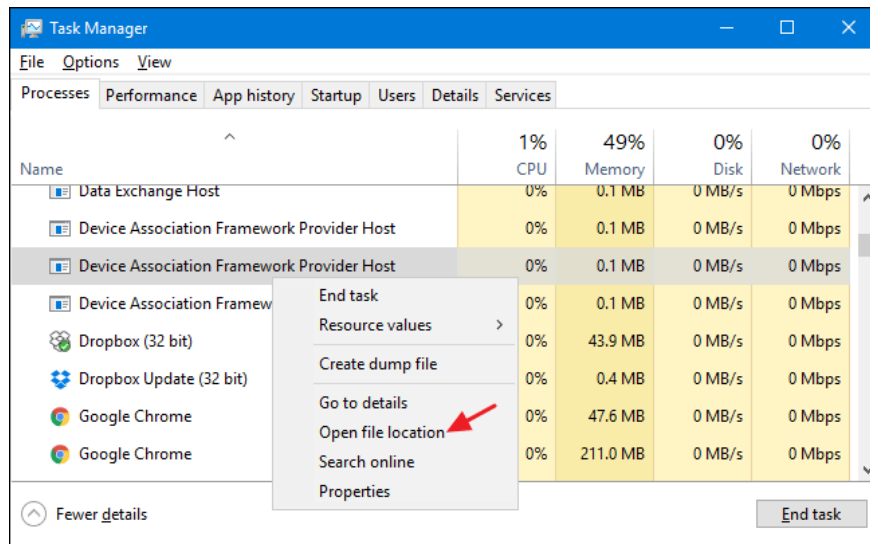
Whatever you want, you can't disable the Service Device Association Framework Provider Host. To fix temporary problems, you can temporarily kill the Device Association Framework Provider Host task by right-clicking the **Device Association Framework Provider Host** on the Task Manager window and clicking **End Task**.



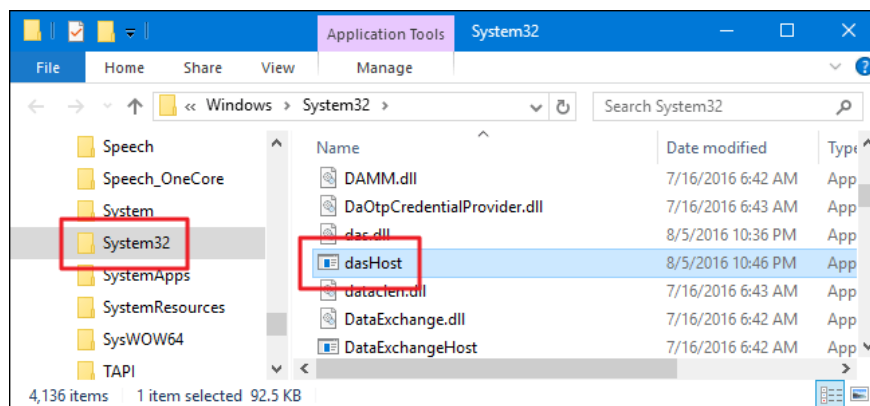
The Device Association Framework Provider Host will now stop working. Your next task is to restart your Windows computer. All process Device Association Framework Provider Host will be reloaded.

4. Is this process a virus?

This process is a component of Windows. It may be the actual Device Association replacement framework for the Provider Provider, but this is very unlikely. If you want to be sure you can check the Device Association Framework Provider Host. On Task Manager, right-click **Device Association Framework Provider Host** and select the option named **Option File Location**.



The file contains Device Association Framework Provider Host named **dasHost.exe**. If this file is stored in the **WindowsSystem32** directory, you can be assured, this process is not a virus.



Refer to some of the following articles:

1. Summary of some ways to fix Windows 10 crash, BSOD error and restart error
1. Unusually high CPU error correction due to TiWorker.exe on Windows 10 / 8.1 / 8

1. 4 ways to fix USB errors without formatting: 'Windows was unable to complete the format'

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