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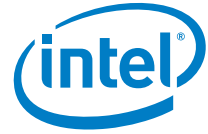
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1.0 Introduction

This document is a user guide for the `testpmd` example application that is shipped as part of the Intel® Data Plane Development Kit.

The `testpmd` application can be used to test the Intel® DPDK in a packet forwarding mode and also to access NIC hardware features such as Flow Director. It also serves as an example of how to build a more fully-featured application using the Intel® DPDK SDK.

1.1 Documentation Roadmap

The following is a list of Intel® DPDK documents in the suggested reading order:

- **Release Notes:** Provides release-specific information, including supported features, limitations, fixed issues, known issues and so on. Also, provides the answers to frequently asked questions in FAQ format.
- **Getting Started Guide** (this document): Describes how to install and configure the Intel® DPDK; designed to get users up and running quickly with the software.
- **Programmer's Guide:** Describes:
 - The software architecture and how to use it (through examples), specifically in a Linux* application (linuxapp) environment
 - The content of the Intel® DPDK, the build system (including the commands that can be used in the root Intel® DPDK Makefile to build the development kit and an application) and guidelines for porting an application
 - Optimizations used in the software and those that should be considered for new developmentA glossary of terms is also provided.
- **API Reference:** Provides detailed information about Intel® DPDK functions, data structures and other programming constructs.
- **Sample Applications User Guide:** Describes a set of sample applications. Each chapter describes a sample application that showcases specific functionality and provides instructions on how to compile, run and use the sample application.

Note: These documents are available for download as a separate documentation package at the same location as the Intel® DPDK code package.

2.0 Overview

The following sections show how to build and run the `testpmd` application and how to configure the application from the command line and the run-time environment.

3.0 Compiling the Application

The `testpmd` application is compiled as part of the main compilation of the Intel® DPDK libraries and tools. Refer to the *Intel® DPDK Getting Started Guide* for details. The basic compilation steps are:

1. Set the required environmental variables and go to the source directory.

```
export RTE_SDK=/path/to/rte_sdk
cd $RTE_SDK
```



2. Set the compilation target. For example:

```
export RTE_TARGET=x86_64-default-linuxapp-gcc
```

3. Build the application:

```
make install T=$RTE_TARGET
```

The compiled application will be located at:

```
$RTE_SDK/$RTE_TARGET/build/app/test-pmd/testpmd
```

4.0 Running the Application

4.1 EAL Command-line Options

The following are the EAL command-line options that can be used in conjunction with the testpmd, or any other Intel® DPDK application. See the Intel® DPDK Getting Started Guide for more information on these options.

- `-c COREMASK`
Set the hexadecimal bitmask of the cores to run on.
- `-n NUM`
Set the number of memory channels to use.
- `-b domain:bus:devid.func`
Blacklist a PCI device to prevent EAL from using it. Multiple `-b` options are allowed.
- `-m MB`
Memory to allocate. See also `--socket-mem`.
- `-r NUM`
Set the number of memory ranks (auto-detected by default).
- `--syslog`
Set the syslog facility.
- `--socket-mem`
Set the memory to allocate on specific sockets (use comma separated values).
- `--huge-dir`
Specify the directory where the `hugetlbfs` is mounted.
- `--proc-type`
Set the type of the current process.
- `--file-prefix`
Prefix for hugepage filenames.
- `-use-device`
Use the specified ethernet device(s) only. Used for whitelisting and for setting parameters to the PCAP drivers.
- `-vmware-tsc-map`
Use VMware TSC map instead of native RDTSC.
- `-v`
Display the version information on startup.



4.2 Testpmd Command-line Options

The following are the command-line options for the testpmd applications. They must be separated from the EAL options, shown in the previous section, with a -- separator:

```
sudo ./testpmd -c 0xF -n 4 -- -i --portmask=0x1 --nb-cores=2
```

- **-i, --interactive**
Run testpmd in interactive mode. In this mode, the testpmd starts with a prompt that can be used to start and stop forwarding, configure the application and display stats on the current packet processing session. See the [Section 5.0, "Testpmd Runtime Functions" on page 10](#) section for more details.
In non-interactive mode, the application starts with the configuration specified on the command-line and immediately enters forwarding mode.
- **-h, --help**
Display a help message and quit.
- **--nb-cores=N**
Set the number of forwarding cores, where $1 \leq N \leq$ number of cores or RTE_MAX_LCORE from the configuration file. The default value is 1.
- **--nb-ports=N**
Set the number of forwarding ports, where $1 \leq N \leq$ number of ports on the board or RTE_MAX_ETHPORTS from the configuration file. The default value is the number of ports on the board.
- **--coremask=0xXX**
Set the hexadecimal bitmask of the cores running the packet forwarding test. The master lcore is reserved for command line parsing only and cannot be masked on for packet forwarding.
- **--portmask=0xXX**
Set the hexadecimal bitmask of the ports used by the packet forwarding test.
- **--numa**
Enable NUMA-aware allocation of RX/TX rings and of RX memory buffers (mbufs).
- **--port-numa-config=(port, socket) [, (port, socket)]**
Specify the socket on which the memory pool to be used by the port will be allocated.
- **--ring-numa-config=(port, flag, socket) [, (port, flag, socket)]**
Specify the socket on which the TX/RX rings for the port will be allocated. Where flag is 1 for RX, 2 for TX, and 3 for RX and TX.
- **--socket-num=N**
Set the socket from which all memory is allocated in NUMA mode, where $0 \leq N <$ number of sockets on the board.
- **--mbuf-size=N**
Set the data size of the mbufs used to N bytes, where $N < 65536$. The default value is 2048.
- **--total-num-mbufs=N**
Set the number of mbufs to be allocated in the mbuf pools, where $N > 1024$.
- **--max-pkt-len=N**
Set the maximum packet size to N bytes, where $N \geq 64$. The default value is 1518.
- **--eth-peers-configfile=name**
Use a configuration file containing the Ethernet addresses of the peer ports. The configuration file should contain the Ethernet addresses on separate lines:

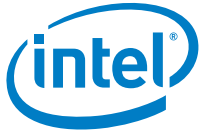


```
XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:01
XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:02
...
```

- `--eth-peer=N, XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX`
Set the MAC address `XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX` of the peer port N, where $0 \leq N < \text{RTE_MAX_ETHPORTS}$ from the configuration file.
- `--pkt-filter-mode=mode`
Set Flow Director mode where mode is either none (the default), signature or perfect. See the [Section 5.6, “Flow Director Functions” on page 22](#) for more detail.
- `--pkt-filter-report-hash=mode`
Set Flow Director hash match reporting mode where mode is none, match (the default) or always.
- `--pkt-filter-size=N`
Set Flow Director allocated memory size, where N is 64K, 128K or 256K. Sizes are in kilobytes. The default is 64.
- `--pkt-filter-flexbytes-offset=N`
Set the flexbytes offset. The offset is defined in words (not bytes) counted from the first byte of the destination Ethernet MAC address, where N is $0 \leq N \leq 32$. The default value is 0x6.
- `--pkt-filter-drop-queue=N`
Set the drop-queue. In perfect filter mode, when a rule is added with queue = -1, the packet will be enqueued into the RX drop-queue. If the drop-queue does not exist, the packet is dropped. The default value is N=127.
- `--crc-strip`
Enable hardware CRC stripping.
- `--enable-rx-cksum`
Enable hardware RX checksum offload.
- `--disable-hw-vlan`
Disable hardware VLAN.
- `--enable-drop-en`
Enable per-queue packet drop for packets with no descriptors.
- `--disable-rss`
Disable RSS (Receive Side Scaling).
- `--port-topology=mode`
Set port topology, where mode is paired (the default) or chained. In paired mode, the forwarding is between pairs of ports, for example: (0,1), (2,3), (4,5). In chained mode, the forwarding is to the next available port in the port mask, for example: (0,1), (1,2), (2,0). The ordering of the ports can be changed using the `portlist testpmd` runtime function.
- `--rss-ip`
Set RSS functions for IPv4/IPv6 only.
- `--rss-udp`
Set RSS functions for IPv4/IPv6 and UDP.
- `--rxq=N`
Set the number of RX queues per port to N, where $1 \leq N \leq 65535$. The default value is 1.
- `--rxd=N`
Set the number of descriptors in the RX rings to N, where $N > 0$. The default value is 128.



- `--txq=N`
Set the number of TX queues per port to N, where $1 \leq N \leq 65535$. The default value is 1.
- `--txd=N`
Set the number of descriptors in the TX rings to N, where $N > 0$. The default value is 512.
- `--burst=N`
Set the number of packets per burst to N, where $1 \leq N \leq 512$. The default value is 16.
- `--mbcache=N`
Set the cache of mbuf memory pools to N, where $0 \leq N \leq 512$. The default value is 16.
- `--rxpt=N`
Set the prefetch threshold register of RX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 8.
- `--rxht=N`
Set the host threshold register of RX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 8.
- `--rxfreet=N`
Set the free threshold of RX descriptors to N, where $0 \leq N < \text{value of } --rxd$. The default value is 0.
- `--rxwt=N`
Set the write-back threshold register of RX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 4.
- `--txpt=N`
Set the prefetch threshold register of TX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 36.
- `--txht=N`
Set the host threshold register of TX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 0.
- `--txwt=N`
Set the write-back threshold register of TX rings to N, where $N \geq 0$. The default value is 0.
- `--txfreet=N`
Set the transmit free threshold of TX rings to N, where $0 \leq N \leq \text{value of } --txd$. The default value is 0.
- `--txrst=N`
Set the transmit RS bit threshold of TX rings to N, where $0 \leq N \leq \text{value of } --txd$. The default value is 0.
- `--txqflags=0XXXXXXXX`
Set the hexadecimal bitmask of TX queue flags, where $0 \leq N \leq 0x7FFFFFFF$. The default value is 0.
- `--rx-queue-stats-mapping=(port,queue,mapping) [, (port,queue,mapping)]`
Set the RX queues statistics counters mapping $0 \leq \text{mapping} \leq 15$.
- `--tx-queue-stats-mapping=(port,queue,mapping) [, (port,queue,mapping)]`
Set the TX queues statistics counters mapping $0 \leq \text{mapping} \leq 15$.
- `--no-flush-rx`
Don't flush the RX streams before starting forwarding. Used mainly with PCAP drivers.



5.0 Testpmd Runtime Functions

Where the testpmd application is started in interactive mode, (-i|--interactive), it displays a prompt that can be used to start and stop forwarding, configure the application, display statistics, set the Flow Director and other tasks.

```
testpmd>
```

The testpmd prompt has some, limited, readline support. Common bash command-line functions such as **Ctrl+a** and **Ctrl+e** to go to the start and end of the prompt line are supported as well as access to the command history via the up-arrow.

There is also support for tab completion. If you type a partial command and hit <TAB> you get a list of the available completions:

```
testpmd> show port <TAB>
info [Mul-choice STRING]: show|clear port info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap X
info [Mul-choice STRING]: show|clear port info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap all
stats [Mul-choice STRING]: show|clear port info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap X
stats [Mul-choice STRING]: show|clear port info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap all
...
```

5.1 Help Functions

The testpmd has on-line help for the functions that are available at runtime. These are divided into sections and can be accessed using help, help section or help all:

```
testpmd> help
```

Help is available for the following sections:

```
help control      : Start and stop forwarding.
help display      : Displaying port, stats and config information.
help config       : Configuration information.
help ports        : Configuring ports.
help flowdir      : Flow Director filter help.
help registers    : Reading and setting port registers.
help all          : All of the above sections.
```

5.2 Control Functions

5.2.1 start

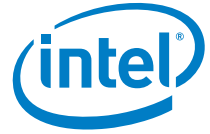
Start packet forwarding with current configuration:

```
start
```

5.2.2 start tx_first

Start packet forwarding with current configuration after sending one burst of packets:

```
start tx_first
```



5.2.3 stop

Stop packet forwarding, and display accumulated statistics:

```
stop
```

5.2.4 quit

Quit to prompt in Linux or reboot on Baremetal:

```
quit
```

5.3 Display Functions

The functions in the following sections are used to display information about the testpmd configuration or the NIC status.

5.3.1 show port

Display information for a given port or all ports:

```
show port (info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap) (port_id|all)
```

The available information categories are:

```
info      : General port information such as MAC address.
stats     : RX/TX statistics.
fdir      : Flow Director information and statistics.
stat_qmap : Queue statistics mapping.
```

For example:

```
testpmd> show port info 0

***** Infos for port 0 *****
MAC address: XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX
Link status: up
Link speed:  10000 Mbps
Link duplex: full-duplex
Promiscuous mode:  enabled
Allmulticast mode: disabled
Maximum number of MAC addresses: 127
VLAN offload:
  strip on
  filter on
  qinq(extend) off
```

5.3.2 clear port

Clear the port statistics for a given port or for all ports:

```
clear port (info|stats|fdir|stat_qmap) (port_id|all)
```

For example:

```
testpmd> clear port stats all
```



5.3.3 show config

Displays the configuration of the application. The configuration comes from the command-line, the runtime or the application defaults:

```
show config (rxtx|cores|fwd)
```

The available information categories are:

```
rxtx : RX/TX configuration items.  
cores : List of forwarding cores.  
fwd : Packet forwarding configuration.
```

For example:

```
testpmd> show config rxtx  
io packet forwarding - CRC stripping disabled - packets/burst=16  
nb forwarding cores=2 - nb forwarding ports=1  
RX queues=1 - RX desc=128 - RX free threshold=0  
RX threshold registers: pthresh=8 hthresh=8 wthresh=4  
TX queues=1 - TX desc=512 - TX free threshold=0  
TX threshold registers: pthresh=36 hthresh=0 wthresh=0  
TX RS bit threshold=0 - TXQ flags=0x0
```

5.3.4 read rxd

Display an RX descriptor for a port RX queue:

```
read rxd (port_id) (queue_id) (rxd_id)
```

For example:

```
testpmd> read rxd 0 0 4  
0x0000000B - 0x001D0180 / 0x0000000B - 0x001D0180
```

5.3.5 read txd

Display a TX descriptor for a port TX queue:

```
read txd (port_id) (queue_id) (txd_id)
```

For example:

```
testpmd> read txd 0 0 4  
0x00000001 - 0x24C3C440 / 0x000F0000 - 0x2330003C
```

5.4 Configuration Functions

The testpmd application can be configured from the runtime as well as from the command-line.

This section details the available configuration functions that are available.

Note: Configuration changes only become active when forwarding is started/restarted.



5.4.1 **set default**

Reset forwarding to the default configuration:

```
set default
```

5.4.2 **set verbose**

Set the debug verbosity level:

```
set verbose (level)
```

Currently the only available levels are 0 (silent except for error) and 1 (fully verbose).

5.4.3 **set nbport**

Set the number of ports used by the application:

```
set nbport (num)
```

This is equivalent to the `--nb-ports` command-line option.

5.4.4 **set nbcore**

Set the number of cores used by the application:

```
set nbcore (num)
```

This is equivalent to the `--nb-cores` command-line option.

Note: The number of cores used must not be greater than number of ports used multiplied by the number of queues per port.

5.4.5 **set coremask**

Set the forwarding cores hexadecimal mask:

```
set coremask (mask)
```

This is equivalent to the `--coremask` command-line option.

Note: The master lcore is reserved for command line parsing only and cannot be masked on for packet forwarding.

5.4.6 **set portmask**

Set the forwarding ports hexadecimal mask:

```
set portmask (mask)
```

This is equivalent to the `--portmask` command-line option.



5.4.7 set burst

Set number of packets per burst:

```
set burst (num)
```

This is equivalent to the `--burst` command-line option.

5.4.8 set txpkts

Set the length of each segment of the TX-ONLY packets:

```
set txpkts (x[,y]*)
```

Where `x[,y]*` represents a CSV list of values, without white space.

5.4.9 set corelist

Set the list of forwarding cores:

```
set corelist (x[,y]*)
```

For example, to change the forwarding cores:

```
testpmd> set corelist 3,1

testpmd> show config fwd
io packet forwarding - ports=2 - cores=2 - streams=2 - NUMA support disabled
Logical Core 3 (socket 0) forwards packets on 1 streams:
RX P=0/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=1/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:01
Logical Core 1 (socket 0) forwards packets on 1 streams:
RX P=1/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=0/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:00
```

Note: The cores are used in the same order as specified on the command line.

5.4.10 set portlist

Set the list of forwarding ports:

```
set portlist (x[,y]*)
```

For example, to change the port forwarding:

```
testpmd> set portlist 0,2,1,3

testpmd> show config fwd
io packet forwarding - ports=4 - cores=1 - streams=4
Logical Core 3 (socket 0) forwards packets on 4 streams:
RX P=0/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=2/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:01
RX P=2/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=0/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:00
RX P=1/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=3/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:03
RX P=3/Q=0 (socket 0) -> TX P=1/Q=0 (socket 0) peer=02:00:00:00:00:02
```



5.4.11 **vlan set strip**

Set the VLAN strip on a port:

```
vlan set strip (on|off) (port_id)
```

5.4.12 **vlan set filter**

Set the VLAN filter on a port:

```
vlan set filter (on|off) (port_id)
```

5.4.13 **vlan set qinq**

Set the VLAN QinQ (extended queue in queue) on for a port:

```
vlan set qinq (on|off) (port_id)
```

5.4.14 **vlan set tpid**

Set the outer VLAN TPID for packet filtering on a port:

```
vlan set tpid (value) (port_id)
```

Note: TPID value must be a 16-bit number (value <= 65536).

5.4.15 **rx_vlan add**

Add a VLAN ID, or all identifiers, to the set of VLAN identifiers filtered by port ID:

```
rx_vlan add (vlan_id|all) (port_id)
```

Note: VLAN filter must be set on that port. VLAN ID < 4096.

5.4.16 **rx_vlan rm**

Remove a VLAN ID, or all identifiers, from the set of VLAN identifiers filtered by port ID:

```
rx_vlan rm (vlan_id|all) (port_id)
```

5.4.17 **rx_vlan add (for VF)**

Add a VLAN ID, to the set of VLAN identifiers filtered for VF(s) for port ID:

```
rx_vlan add (vlan_id) port (port_id) vf (vf_mask)
```

5.4.18 **rx_vlan rm (for VF)**

Remove a VLAN ID, from the set of VLAN identifiers filtered for VF(s) for port ID:

```
rx_vlan rm (vlan_id) port (port_id) vf (vf_mask)
```



5.4.19 rx_vlan set tpid

Set the outer VLAN TPID for packet filtering on a port:

```
rx_vlan set tpid (value) (port_id)
```

5.4.20 tx_vlan set

Set hardware insertion of VLAN ID in packets sent on a port:

```
tx_vlan set (vlan_id) (port_id)
```

5.4.21 tx_vlan reset

Disable hardware insertion of a VLAN header in packets sent on a port:

```
tx_vlan reset (port_id)
```

5.4.22 tx_checksum set mask

Enable hardware insertion of checksum offload with a 4-bit mask, 0x0 - 0xF, in packets sent on a port:

```
tx_checksum set (mask) (port_id)
```

The bits in the mask are:

```
bit 0 - if set insert ip checksum offload
bit 1 - if set insert udp checksum offload
bit 2 - if set insert tcp checksum offload
bit 3 - if set insert sctp checksum offload
```

Note: Check the NIC Datasheet for hardware limits.

5.4.23 set fwd

Set the packet forwarding mode:

```
set fwd (io|mac|rxonly|txonly|csum)
```

The available information categories are:

- **io:** forwards packets "as-is" in I/O mode. This is the fastest possible forwarding operation as it does not access packets data. This is the default mode.
- **mac:** changes the source and the destination Ethernet addresses of packets before forwarding them.
- **rxonly:** receives packets but doesn't transmit them.
- **txonly:** generates and transmits packets without receiving any.
- **csum:** changes the checksum field with HW or SW methods depending on the offload flags on the packet.



Example:

```
testpmd> set fwd rxonly
Set rxonly packet forwarding mode
```

5.4.24 **mac_addr add**

Add an alternative MAC address to a port:

```
mac_addr add (port_id) (XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX)
```

5.4.25 **mac_addr remove**

Remove a MAC address from a port:

```
mac_addr remove (port_id) (XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX)
```

5.4.26 **mac_addr add (for VF)**

Add an alternative MAC address for a VF to a port:

```
mac_addr add port (port_id) vf (vf_id) (XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX)
```

5.4.27 **set port - uta**

Set the unicast hash filter(s) on/off for a port X:

```
set port (port_id) uta (XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX|all) (on|off)
```

5.4.28 **set promisc**

Set the promiscuous mode on for a port or for all ports. In promiscuous mode packets are not dropped if they aren't for the specified MAC address:

```
set promisc (port_id|all) (on|off)
```

5.4.29 **set allmulti**

Set the allmulti mode for a port or for all ports:

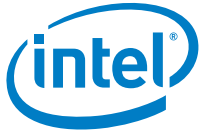
```
set allmulti (port_id|all) (on|off)
```

Same as the `ifconfig (8)` option. Controls how multicast packets are handled.

5.4.30 **set flow_ctrl rx**

Set the link flow control parameter on a port:

```
set flow_ctrl rx (on|off) tx (on|off) (high_water) (low_water) \
    (pause_time) (send_xon) (port_id)
```



Where:

high_water (integer): High threshold value to trigger XOFF.
low_water (integer) : Low threshold value to trigger XON.
pause_time (integer): Pause quota in the Pause frame.
send_xon (0/1) : Send XON frame.

5.4.31 set pfc_ctrl rx

Set the priority flow control parameter on a port:

```
set pfc_ctrl rx (on|off) tx (on|off) (high_water) (low_water) \  
                (pause_time) (priority) (port_id)
```

Where:

priority (0-7): VLAN User Priority.

5.4.32 set stat_qmap

Set statistics mapping (qmapping 0..15) for RX/TX queue on port:

```
set stat_qmap (tx|rx) (port_id) (queue_id) (qmapping)
```

For example, to set rx queue 2 on port 0 to mapping 5:

```
testpmd>set stat_qmap rx 0 2 5
```

5.4.33 set port - rx/tx (for VF)

Set VF receive/transmit from a port:

```
set port (port_id) vf (vf_id) (rx|tx) (on|off)
```

5.4.34 set port - rx mode (for VF)

Set the VF receive mode of a port:

```
set port (port_id) vf (vf_id) rxmode (AUPE|ROPE|BAM|MPE) (on|off)
```

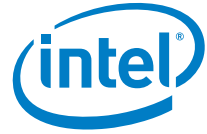
The available receive modes are:

- AUPE: accepts untagged VLAN.
- ROPE: accepts unicast hash.
- BAM: accepts broadcast packets
- MPE: accepts all multicast packets

5.4.35 set port - mirror rule

Set port or vlan type mirror rule for a port.

```
set port (port_id) mirror-rule (rule_id) (pool-mirror|vlan-mirror)  
(poolmask|vlanid[,vlanid]*) dst-pool (pool_id) (on|off)
```



For example to enable mirror traffic with vlan 0,1 to pool 0:

```
set port 0 mirror-rule 0 vlan-mirror 0,1 dst-pool 0 on
```

5.4.36 **reset port - mirror rule**

Reset a mirror rule for a port.

```
reset port (port_id) mirror-rule (rule_id)
```

5.4.37 **set flush_rx**

Flush (default) or don't flush RX streams before forwarding. Mainly used with PCAP drivers to avoid the default behavior of flushing the first 512 packets on RX streams.

```
set flush_rx off
```

5.5 **Port Functions**

The following sections show functions for configuring ports.

Note: Port configuration changes only become active when forwarding is started/restarted.

5.5.1 **port start**

Start all ports or a specific port:

```
port start (port_id|all)
```

5.5.2 **port stop**

Stop all ports or a specific port:

```
port stop (port_id|all)
```

5.5.3 **port close**

Close all ports or a specific port:

```
port close (port_id|all)
```

5.5.4 **port config - speed**

Set the speed and duplex mode for all ports or a specific port:

```
port config (port_id|all) speed (10|100|1000|10000|auto) duplex  
(half|full|auto)
```



5.5.5 port config - queues/descriptors

Set number of queues/descriptors for rxq, txq, rxd and txd:

```
port config all (rxq|txq|rxd|txd) (value)
```

This is equivalent to the `--rxq`, `--txq`, `--rxd` and `--txd` command-line options.

5.5.6 port config - max-pkt-len

Set the maximum packet length:

```
port config all max-pkt-len (value)
```

This is equivalent to the `--max-pkt-len` command-line option.

5.5.7 port config - CRC Strip

Set hardware CRC stripping on or off for all ports:

```
port config all crc-strip (on|off)
```

CRC stripping is off by default.

The on option is equivalent to the `--crc-strip` command-line option.

5.5.8 port config - RX Checksum

Set hardware RX checksum offload to on or off for all ports:

```
port config all rx-cksum (on|off)
```

Checksum offload is off by default.

The on option is equivalent to the `--enable-rx-cksum` command-line option.

5.5.9 port config - VLAN

Set hardware VLAN on or off for all ports:

```
port config all hw-vlan (on|off)
```

Hardware VLAN is on by default.

The off option is equivalent to the `--disable-hw-vlan` command-line option.

5.5.10 port config - Drop Packets

Set packet drop for packets with no descriptors on or off for all ports:

```
port config all drop-en (on|off)
```

Packet dropping for packets with no descriptors is off by default.

The on option is equivalent to the `--enable-drop-en` command-line option.



5.5.11 port config - RSS

Set the RSS (Receive Side Scaling) mode on or off:

```
port config all rss (ip|udp|none)
```

RSS is on by default.

The off option is equivalent to the `--disable-rss` command-line option.

5.5.12 port config - RSS Reta

Set the RSS (Receive Side Scaling) redirection table:

```
port config all rss reta (hash,queue) [, (hash,queue)]
```

5.5.13 port config - DCB

Set the DCB mode for an individual port:

```
port config (port_id) dcb vt (on|off) (traffic_class) pfc (on|off)
```

The traffic class should be 4 or 8.

5.5.14 port config - Burst

Set the number of packets per burst:

```
port config all burst (value)
```

This is equivalent to the `--burst` command-line option.

5.5.15 port config - Threshold

Set thresholds for TX/RX queues:

```
port config all (threshold) (value)
```

Where the threshold type can be:

- `txpt`: Set the prefetch threshold register of the TX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `txht`: Set the host threshold register of the TX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `txwt`: Set the write-back threshold register of the TX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `rxpt`: Set the prefetch threshold register of the RX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `rxht`: Set the host threshold register of the RX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `rxwt`: Set the write-back threshold register of the RX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq 255$.
- `txfreet`: Set the transmit free threshold of the TX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq \text{txd}$.
- `rxfreet`: Set the transmit free threshold of the RX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq \text{rxd}$.
- `txrst`: Set the transmit RS bit threshold of TX rings, $0 \leq \text{value} \leq \text{txd}$.

These threshold options are also available from the command-line.

5.6 Flow Director Functions

The Flow Director works in receive mode to identify specific flows or sets of flows and route them to specific queues.

Two types of filtering are supported which are referred to as Perfect Match and Signature filters:

- Perfect match filters. The hardware checks a match between the masked fields of the received packets and the programmed filters.
- Signature filters. The hardware checks a match between a hash-based signature of the masked fields of the received packet.

The Flow Director filters can match the following fields in a packet:

- Source IP and destination IP addresses.
- Source port and destination port numbers (for UDP and TCP packets).
- IPv4/IPv6 and UDP/ TCP/SCTP protocol match.
- VLAN header.
- Flexible 2-byte tuple match anywhere in the first 64 bytes of the packet.

The Flow Director can also mask out parts of all of these fields so that filters are only applied to certain fields or parts of the fields. For example it is possible to mask out sub-nets of IP addresses or to ignore VLAN headers.

In the following sections, several common parameters are used in the Flow Director filters. These are explained below:

- **src:** A pair of source address values. The source IP, in IPv4 or IPv6 format, and the source port:

```
src 192.168.0.1 1024
src 2001:DB8:85A3:0:0:8A2E:370:7000 1024
```

- **dst:** A pair of destination address values. The destination IP, in IPv4 or IPv6 format, and the destination port.
- **flexbytes:** A 2-byte tuple to be matched within the first 64 bytes of a packet. The offset where the match occurs is set by the `--pkt-filter-flexbytes-offset` command-line parameter and is counted from the first byte of the destination Ethernet MAC address. The default offset is 0xC bytes, which is the "Type" word in the MAC header. Typically, the flexbyte value is set to 0x0800 to match the IPv4 MAC type or 0x86DD to match IPv6. These values change when a VLAN tag is added.
- **vlan:** The VLAN header to match in the packet.
- **queue:** The index of the RX queue to route matched packets to.
- **soft:** The 16-bit value in the MBUF flow director ID field for RX packets matching the filter.

5.6.1 add_signature_filter

Add a signature filter:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
add_signature_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                        src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                        dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                        flexbytes (flexbytes_values)
                        vlan (vlan_id) queue (queue_id)
```



5.6.2 upd_signature_filter

Update a signature filter:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
upd_signature_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                    src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                    dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                    flexbytes (flexbytes_values)
                    vlan (vlan_id) queue (queue_id)
```

5.6.3 rm_signature_filter

Remove a signature filter:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
rm_signature_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                   src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                   dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                   flexbytes (flexbytes_values)
                   vlan (vlan_id)
```

5.6.4 add_perfect_filter

Add a perfect filter:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
add_perfect_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                  src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                  dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                  flexbytes (flexbytes_values)
                  vlan (vlan_id) queue (queue_id) soft (soft_id)
```

5.6.5 upd_perfect_filter

Update a perfect filter:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
upd_perfect_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                  src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                  dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                  flexbytes (flexbytes_values) vlan (vlan_id)
                  queue (queue_id)
```

5.6.6 rm_perfect_filter

Remove a perfect filter:

```
rm_perfect_filter (port_id) (ip|udp|tcp|sctp)
                 src (src_ip_address) (src_port)
                 dst (dst_ip_address) (dst_port)
                 flexbytes (flexbytes_values)
                 vlan (vlan_id) soft (soft_id)
```

5.6.7 set_masks_filter

Set IPv4 filter masks:



```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
set_masks_filter (port_id) only_ip_flow (0|1)
                    src_mask (ip_src_mask) (src_port_mask)
                    dst_mask (ip_dst_mask) (dst_port_mask)
                    flexbytes (0|1) vlan_id (0|1) vlan_prio (0|1)
```

5.6.8 set_ipv6_masks_filter

Set IPv6 filter masks:

```
# Command is displayed on several lines for clarity.
set_ipv6_masks_filter (port_id) only_ip_flow (0|1)
                    src_mask (ip_src_mask) (src_port_mask)
                    dst_mask (ip_dst_mask) (dst_port_mask)
                    flexbytes (0|1) vlan_id (0|1) vlan_prio (0|1)
                    compare_dst (0|1)
```

5.7 Register Functions

The Register functions can be used to read from and write to registers on the network card referenced by a port number. This is mainly useful for debugging purposes. Reference should be made to the appropriate datasheet for the network card for details on the register addresses and fields that can be accessed.

5.7.1 read reg

Display the value of a port register:

```
read reg (port_id) (address)
```

For example, to examine the Flow Director control register (FDIRCTL, 0x0000EE000) on an Intel® 82599 10 GbE Controller:

```
testpmd> read reg 0 0xEE00
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: 0x4A060029 (1241907241)
```

5.7.2 read regfield

Display a port register bit field:

```
read regfield (port_id) (address) (bit_x) (bit_y)
```

For example, reading the lowest two bits from the register in the example above:

```
testpmd> read regfield 0 0xEE00 0 1
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: bits[0, 1]=0x1 (1)
```

5.7.3 read regbit

Display a single port register bit:

```
read regbit (port_id) (address) (bit_x)
```




For example, reading the lowest bit from the register in the example above:

```
testpmd> read regbit 0 0xEE00 0
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: bit 0=1
```

5.7.4 write reg

Set the value of a port register:

```
write reg (port_id) (address) (value)
```

For example, to clear a register:

```
testpmd> write reg 0 0xEE00 0x0
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: 0x00000000 (0)
```

5.7.5 write regfield

Set bit field of a port register:

```
write regfield (port_id) (address) (bit_x) (bit_y) (value)
```

For example, writing to the register cleared in the example above:

```
testpmd> write regfield 0 0xEE00 0 1 2
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: 0x00000002 (2)
```

5.7.6 write regbit

Set single bit value of a port register:

```
write regbit (port_id) (address) (bit_x) (value)
```

For example, to set the high bit in the register from the example above:

```
testpmd> write regbit 0 0xEE00 31 1
port 0 PCI register at offset 0xEE00: 0x8000000A (2147483658)
```

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