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## *Introduction*

# *Trusted Time™ SyncServer™ S100*

### **Introduction and Welcome**

Welcome to the The Trusted Time SyncServer S100, providing secure synchronization to UTC time. It is an NTP-based network appliance that acquires time and keeps it secure as it distributes the time over the network. It acquires time either from a non-network source or from another SyncServer, and delivers it to computers and other devices on a network.



**Figure I-1:** SyncServer S100

## About This Book

This User Guide describes the installation and operation of the Trusted Time SyncServer Model S100.

**Additional copies** of this *User Guide* are available through your Datum Trusted Time Division contact.


### For SyncServer Users

This information is written for network administrators familiar with network configuration and operations.

### Conventions Used

The most common conventions used here are:

#### Conventions Used

Term	Definition
<b>Bold</b>	<b>Boldface</b> type is used for menu and command names; field, tab, and button labels; and special terms.
Courier	The Courier typeface is used to designate file names, folder names, and URLs.
	The warning symbol alerts the user to information that if improperly used could be harmful to people, equipment, or data.

## Product Details

Details about the physical description and operating environment of the SyncServer S100 are found in Appendix A, [SyncServer Product Specifications](#) on [page 101](#) of this *User Guide*.

Details about SyncServer operations are in [Chapter 3 - The Web-Based Interface](#), as well as [Chapter 2 - Getting Started: Installation](#), and [Chapter 4 - SyncServer Operations and Time-Related Protocols](#).

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## About Time

This section describes world standards in time, and defines some time-distribution concepts.

### Time Standards

The international time standard is called Coordinated Universal Time or, more commonly, UTC. This standard was agreed upon in 1972 by worldwide representatives within the International Telecommunications Union; today, the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) sets standards based on the 1972 work. Today UTC is coordinated by the world's International Bureau of Weights and Measures, or BIPM. (The designations "UTC" and "BIPM" were chosen as a compromise among all the countries' abbreviations for the terms.)

The global availability and precision of UTC time makes it the ideal source of time for trusted time.

SyncServer uses UTC as its time standard.

### Global Positioning System (GPS)

The U.S. Department of Defense Global Positioning System (GPS) is a constellation of 24 satellites that each orbit twice a day; their orbits are inclined 56 degrees to the equator. These satellites transmit signals that are used by the GPS receivers to very precisely determine the position and time.

The orbits of these satellites and the offset (relative to international standard time, UTC) of their on-board cesium atomic clocks is precisely tracked by the U.S. Air Force control network. Position and time correction information is uplinked from the ground control stations and maintained in the satellites in what are termed *ephemeris tables*, or tables of data that describe the satellite's position when compared to specified coordinates. Each satellite transmission reports the satellite's current position, GPS time, and the offset of the satellite's clock relative to UTC, international standard time.

SyncServer uses GPS to obtain time.

### Stratum Levels

Years ago, the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) established standards for Network Time Protocol (NTP), standards still used today in IETF RFC 1305. These hold that the source of time for each server is defined by a number called its **stratum**. The highest level is 0; Stratum 0 devices, such as GPS or radio clocks, are connected to a primary time reference, such as the national atomic clock. Each level "away" from this primary time reference adds on another number. The Stratum of a primary server, which gets its time from, for example, a GPS, is assigned as 1.

Devices that get their time from a Stratum 1 primary server via NTP are Stratum 2, Stratum 3, and so forth. A Stratum 2 or 3 Server simultaneously acts as a client, deriving its time via

an NTP process with a Stratum 1 (or 2) Server, and acts as a server for clients further down the hierarchy.

Here is a summary:

**Table I-1: Stratum Levels: Summary**

Stratum Level	Significance
Stratum 0	Connected to a primary time reference, this device—usually a GPS or radio clock—is synchronized to national standard time.
Stratum 1	A Stratum 1 time server derives time from a Stratum 0 time source
Stratum 2...n	A Stratum 2 (and so on) device derives its time from a Stratum 1 server, or other Stratum 2...n device via NTP.

Obviously, the further away a network is from the primary source, the higher the possibility of signal degradation because of variations in communication paths and the stability of the local clock.

SyncServer can be a Stratum 1 device, as well as Stratum 2 or 3.

### Time Synchronization and Business

Reliable time synchronization is essential for doing business today.

Ensuring all components of a network are synchronized to the global UTC time standard is critical for accurate time stamps, operational logs, and security applications. Many complex data processing tasks are dependent upon precise event sequences that are, in turn, dependent upon each sequence having a correct time tag.

By using something other than a dedicated time server, problems can arise, such as:

- Security risks: Users who retrieve time from an outside source, such as the Internet, are going outside your firewall.
- Bandwidth consumption: By attempting to synchronize time by using WAN (wide area network) links, users are consuming expensive bandwidth, which can also degrade time accuracy.
- Lost time: If your network synchronization relies on only one source for time reference, your network can be seriously compromised if that one connection is lost.

### How SyncServer Solves the Problem

SyncServer sets system time by providing a single, unbiased time reference that draws from one or more sources. All your computer networks are securely synchronized against

this time reference. SyncServer has the unique advantage of having its own high performance crystal. This way, you make sure NTP clients always receive accurate time, even if the GPS or other external time references become temporarily unavailable.

A SyncServer, using its internal GPS receiver, operates as a Stratum 1 time server, with accuracy to the nearest microsecond relative to UTC as maintained by the U.S. Naval Observatory, one of the [National Measurement Institutes](#) (NMIs) in the U.S.

Time is distributed within the network using the Network Time Protocol (NTP), and between multiple sites. The result is that with SyncServer, network users can get time without breaching your firewall.

Full specifications are found in [SyncServer Product Specifications](#).

## About Trusted Time

SyncServer is a member of the Trusted Time™ family of products. The following section is background information about Trusted Time.

### National Measurement Institutes

Trusted Time products synchronize to UTC. This time standard is maintained by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures (BIPM). By international agreement, each country's National Measurement Institute (NMI) maintains audit records of their synchronization with BIPM UTC, thus providing verifiable sources of UTC within their countries. NMI clocks are disciplined to be within microseconds of UTC time.

**Table I-2:** Examples of NMIs

Country	Name of NMI	Abbreviation
United States	National Institute of Standards and Technology	NIST
France	Laboratoire Primaire du Temps et des Fréquences	LPTF
United Kingdom	National Physical Laboratory	NPL
Japan	Communications Research Laboratory	CRL

### Secure Time Distribution

Most time-distribution solutions today ignore both the issues of *time source trust* and the *universal nature of time*.

Trusted Time products are capable of securely and verifiably distributing time from a country's legal time source down to the local applications themselves. SyncServer products offer secure time.

For more on how SyncServer works, please see Chapter 1, [SyncServer: The Technology](#).





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# Chapter 1

## SyncServer: The Technology

### Overview

This chapter gives a review of the SyncServer S100 technology within the context of the Trusted Time Infrastructure.

There is additional information in Appendix A, [SyncServer Product Specifications](#), on [page 101](#).

### SyncServer Product Overview

The Trusted Time SyncServer S100 is a network time server that synchronizes *secure* network time. The following sections describe SyncServer technology.

#### Sources of Time

SyncServer obtains time either from a non-network source or from another SyncServer, and delivers it to computers and other devices on a network.

It acquires UTC (Universal Coordinated Time) from GPS signals, or by dialup to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (in the U.S.) or other UTC source. If you have several SyncServers on your network, only a few SyncServers need acquire UTC directly. They can then distribute that time to other SyncServers.

### **On the Network**

Clients on a network synchronize with an external time source using NTP, the Network Time Protocol, to exchange packets of time. SyncServer implements NTP Version 4. This prevents hackers from spoofing time packets and using NTP to gain access to your systems. Unlike previous versions, NTP Version 4 implements asymmetric encryption. This is the same technique used by secure web sites to protect credit card numbers and other sensitive information from unintended interception.

SyncServer also supports SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) for easy integration into your existing management hierarchy.

### **Web-based Access**

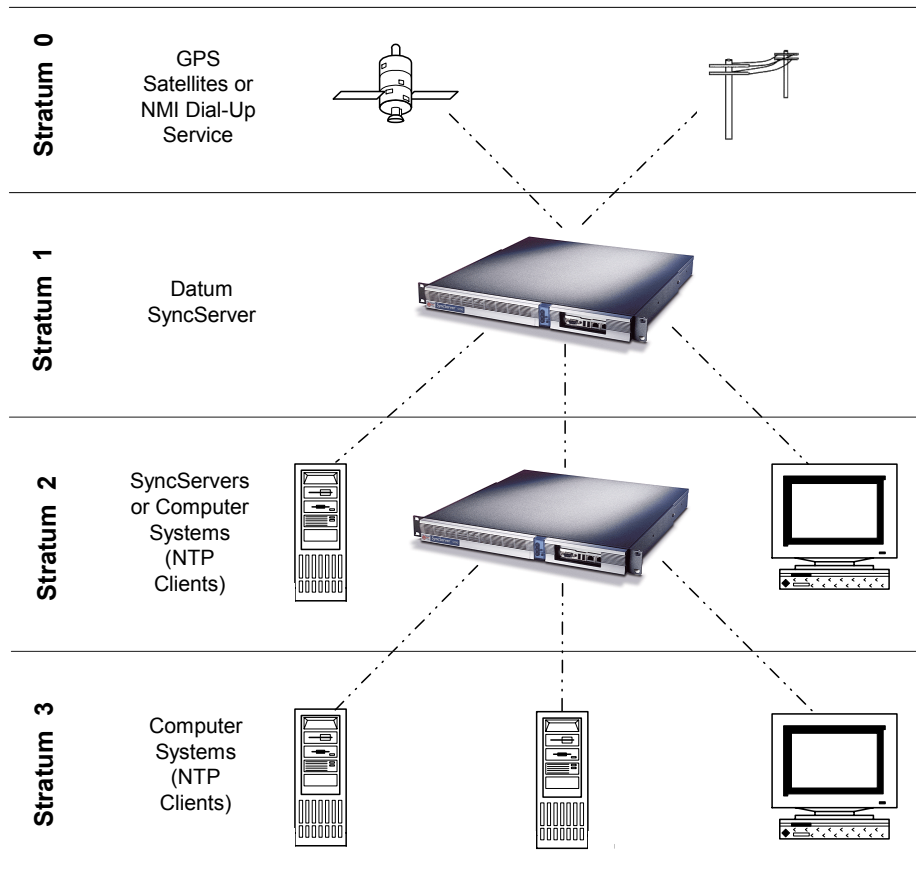
SyncServer S100 management is web-based. Using a standard browser, you will set up and configure all SyncServers from any point on the Internet/World Wide Web.

See Chapter 2 for more about this web access.

There is a detailed section about this web-based interface in Chapter 3, [The Web-Based Interface](#).

## Time Distribution Model

Network time distribution systems usually use a hierarchical time distribution model, as illustrated in Figure 1-1 here, and which shows where SyncServer can fit in.



**Figure 1-1:** SyncServer in the Time Distribution Hierarchy

In hierarchical systems, the primary time source clocks are considered Stratum 0 (zero) which includes GPS satellites, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), or other national time standards organizations.

The SyncServer acts as a Stratum 1 time server that derives its time from the GPS satellites and distributes this time through TCP/IP network to the computers. The client computers may act as Stratum 2 time servers and distribute time to Stratum 3 computers, as shown.

## How SyncServer Works

The following describes the “big picture” about how SyncServer acquires and secures time.

More details are found in Chapters 2 and 3.

### SyncServer and Time Distribution

Time is distributed over an IP network by Network Time Protocol (NTP), Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP), Time Protocol, and Daytime Protocol over TCP/IP.

SyncServers can be distributed throughout a LAN or intranet. Also, a single GPS antenna is all that is required to acquire UTC time for an array of SyncServers, making the network less vulnerable to damage or attack.

Once the SyncServer is locked with its time source, it will continuously provide time even if the timing signal is lost. If the GPS time signal is lost, the NTP message returned by the SyncServer will indicate—via the Reference Timestamp—when it last obtained time updates from the timing signal.

The SyncServer maintains the year value as a four-digit number. It also recognizes leap years and the introduction of leap seconds.

### SyncServer and Client Software

Client software must be installed on the client machines before NTP can synchronize the time with the SyncServer’s clock.

The clients that need to be synchronized should be running a copy of the public domain NTP daemon or other equivalent client software. If an NTP daemon is not available for your system, you can obtain a copy of RFC 1305 or 2030 from the Network Information Center (NIC) at <http://www.rfc.net/rfc1305.html>, in order to implement an NTP daemon for your system.

And you can obtain the DatumTime™ client for Windows at <http://www.datum.com/tt/pages/trustedtime/datumtime.html>.

Details about installing DatumTime are found in Chapter 2, [Installing the DatumTime™ Client Software](#).

### SyncServer and NTPv4’s Security Features

NTP is the de facto standard of communicating time in IP network environments. Developed at the University of Delaware in the United States, NTP is public domain software. It can provide time without opening the NTP port and exposing the firewall to possible intrusion. The SyncServer supports NTP v4 (Secure NTP), and can support NTPv2 and v3, as well.

SyncServer generates keys which take the form of a file composed of random numerical sequences. These key files which are recognized by the cryptographic authentication components of NTP. These keys are symmetric, or private (in NTPv3 and v4), and

asymmetric or public or Autokey (NTPv4); Autokey protocol, therefore, can recognize the key files as well. The contents of the key files include the public/private key pair, a certificate request, a certificate, and Diffie-Hellman parameters.

Digitally signed public certificates are required by the Autokey protocol. As you can see by looking at the interface at [NTP Advanced: Keys/Certificates](#), you must provide what are called “credentials”, such as the host name, the name of the person responsible, and so forth. All of this data goes into your certificate request (X.509) to a trusted certificate Authority (CA). The CA can be an outside trust authority, such as VeriSign, or the device can certify itself. The S100 itself is “self-signed”, or shipped to you with an authenticated certificate. The S100 CA digitally signs (authenticates) the request and sends it back, along with the certificate, to the person requesting it.

More details of the NTP protocol and synchronization techniques can be found in the Help file included with the interface, or at:

- <http://www.ntp.org>
- <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1305.txt>

## SyncServer and the Global Positioning System

The Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver in your SyncServer tracks the 24 GPS satellites as they pass overhead.

The SyncServer also determines the range of the satellite in relation to its antenna. There are four unknowns about location of the satellite, and what they roughly represent, which when resolved will help you position the SyncServer antenna:

- x, or latitude
- y, or longitude
- z, or altitude
- t, or time

Knowing the range from one satellite places you on a sphere. Two satellites show the intersection of two spheres, roughly a circle. Three satellites show two points. And four satellites show the complete four-variable solution.

However, once x, y, and z are known, only one satellite is needed to solve for time (t). This is because the receiver has tracked at least four satellites and has positioned itself.

Thus the SyncServer antenna still works—and SyncServer can still source time—in areas with a somewhat restricted view of the sky, such as in cities.

The time is expressed as the number of weeks since midnight, January 6, 1980 (GPS Week) and the number of seconds in the week. These two values are transmitted as binary integers from the satellites and converted into conventional date or day by the GPS receiver.



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## Chapter 2

# Getting Started: Installation

### Overview

Installation, setup, and getting started with the SyncServer S100 are reviewed in this section. Datum recommends you review Chapter 3, [The Web-Based Interface](#) before beginning your installation so that you are already familiar with the references to the interface once you begin to use it.

### Getting Up and Running

The following sections describe what you need to begin installing your SyncServer.

## Basic Steps

This is what you'll be doing to install your SyncServer:

1. Set up the hardware and make all connections (*Optional*: For GPS, install antenna)
2. Using the serial cable, establish the S100's IP address
3. Test for NTP functionality
4. Using the web-based interface, choose and configure the time source

## Unpacking Your SyncServer

Unpack and inspect each item in the box. If there is any damage, or any items are missing, please contact Datum at (781) 372-3600 immediately.

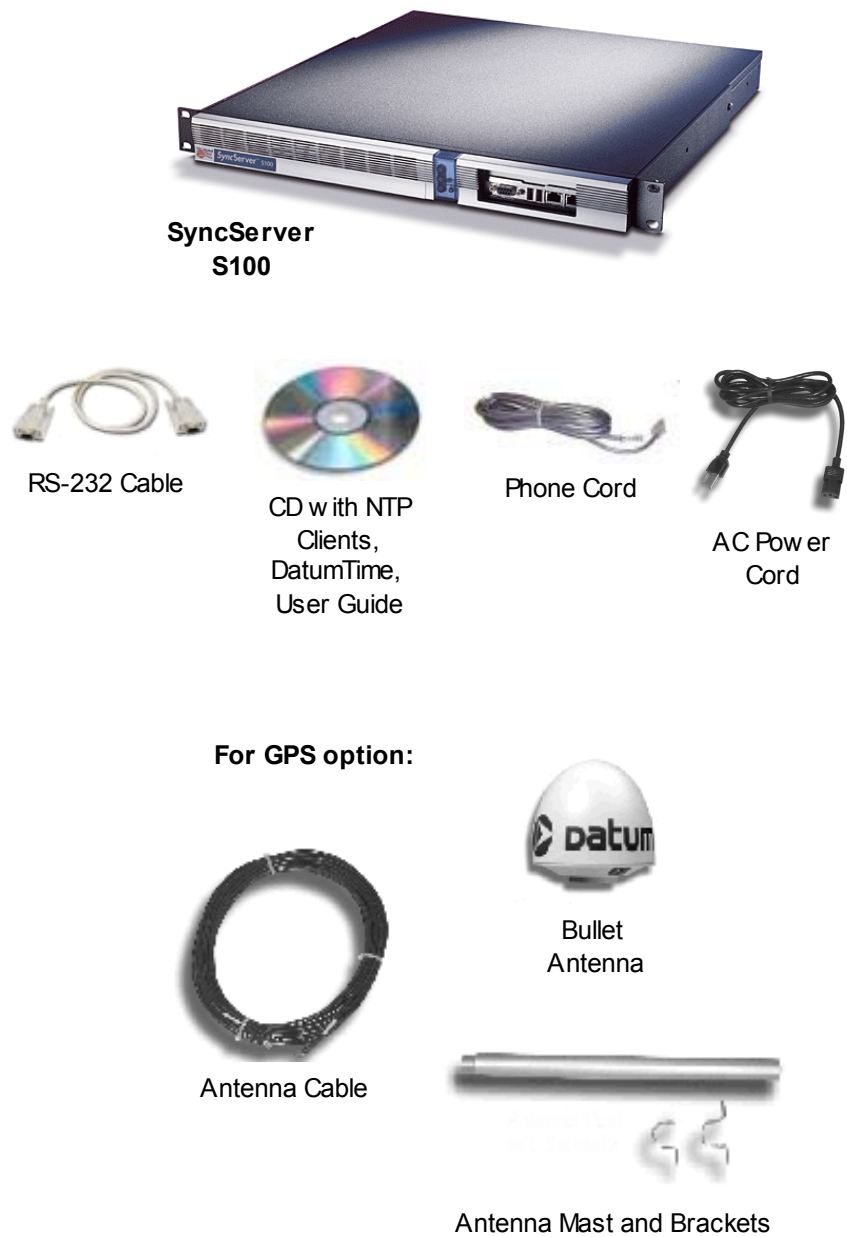
The following items should be included:

**Table 2-1: SyncServer and Accessories**

For the SyncServer-Dialup/ACTS	For the SyncServer-GPS
SyncServer S100	SyncServer S100
A/C Power Cord with US-style wall plug	A/C Power Cord with US-style wall plug
CD with NTP Clients, DatumTime™ software, User Guide PDF	CD with NTP Clients, DatumTime™ software, User Guide PDF.
Six-foot RS-232 Cable	Six-foot RS-232 Cable
Phone cord	Phone cord
	Bullet Antenna
	Antenna Mast -aluminum mast threaded to screw into the bottom of antenna
	Mounting Bracket Hardware - for attaching mast to railing
	50-foot RG58 (Belden 8240 or equivalent) cable

The following illustration shows you these components.






**Figure 2-1:** SyncServer and Accessories

### Installing Your SyncServer

The S100 should be installed in a physically secure location with strong physical access controls.

Datum recommends that you read the operating environment requirements and other specifications in *Appendix A*, [SyncServer Specifications](#), before you get started.

	<p><b>WARNING!</b></p> <p><i>To prevent electrical shock or injury, DO NOT remove the SyncServer cover.</i></p> <p><i>Dangerous voltages exist within this enclosure!</i></p>
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### Rack Mounting

The S100 is designed for mounting in a standard 19-inch (48.26 cm) rack.

**NOTE:** It is important to keep the fan inlet and outlet areas clear, to maintain air flow. Also, if the unit is installed in a closed or multi-unit rack assembly, the operating ambient temperature of the rack environment may become greater than that of the room, so allow for this. Be sure that the ambient temperature is no higher than 50°C/122°F. And make sure the unit is properly balanced and grounded.

### Primary Power Connection

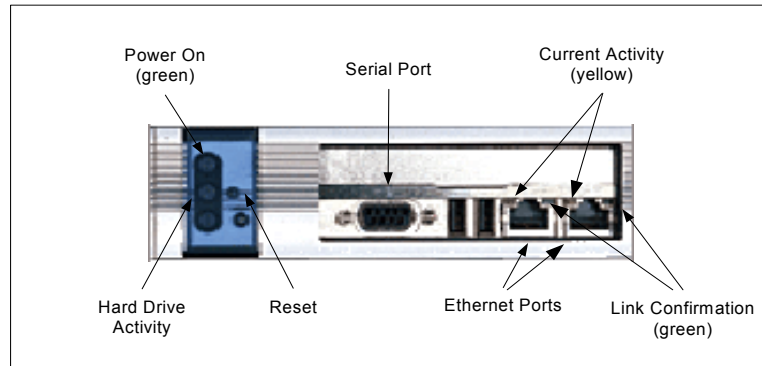
The SyncServer uses external AC power.

The unit has a power cable with a PH-386, IEC 320-C-13 three-conductor female connector on the computer end of the cable. The other end of the cable has a NEMA 6-15P grounding plug (US Standard, 15-amp, 125-volt, straight-blade plug).

## Making All Connections

This is the front panel of the SyncServer S100. Use this illustration as a reference when you install your SyncServer.

Use your standard PC workstation to configure your SyncServer.



**Figure 2-2** S100 Front Panel Close-up

## Setting Up the Hardware

Your SyncServer is not yet powered on.

### On the Front

See [Figure 2-2](#) for details.

1. **Connect** the 9-pin serial cable from the PC workstation to the SyncServer serial port. You are doing this so that you can configure the SyncServer by using the PC; see [Establishing A Serial Connection](#) in the next section.
  2. **Connect** the RJ45-terminated Ethernet cable to one or both network ports on the SyncServer.
- NOTE:** If only one network connection is required, it must use the *left* Ethernet port (**eth0**).

### On the Back

The back panel of the S100 has the power port and power switch.

1. **Connect** the power cable to the SyncServer.
2. *Optional:* Install GPS Antenna by connecting it to the card in the back of the S100.


### Installing the GPS Antenna

If you are installing a SyncServer with GPS option, a bullet antenna is provided. The bullet antenna provided with the SyncServer GPS version comes with a weatherproof housing, suitable for permanent installation in an outdoor location.

**Best Antenna Location:** The Global Positioning System (GPS) of 24 satellites are in orbits inclined 56 degrees to the equator, each orbiting the earth twice a day. This angle means that the further north you are in the northern hemisphere, the more probable it is that satellites will be passing to the south of you. And if you are in the southern hemisphere, the satellites will be passing to the north of you. Please consider this as you install your antenna.

The antenna should be located with an unobstructed, clear view of the sky for optimum tracking conditions. The antenna can receive satellite signals through glass, canvas, or thin fiberglass. The satellite signals cannot penetrate foliage, or dense wood or metal structures. The antenna's operation is not affected if it is partially covered with snow, provided the snow is dry and does not form a continuous ice sheet on the surface. The shape of the bullet antenna is designed to prevent accumulation of rain, snow, or ice on its surface.

The GPS transmission is a 1.5 GHz (L1 Band) spread-spectrum signal. Being spread-spectrum means it is relatively immune to interference. But high energy sources, especially those with significant in-band energy, can swamp the receiver's radio frequency (RF) processing circuitry. In addition, it is difficult to operate GPS at power substations or in close proximity to high-voltage 60 Hz sources. Datum offers an optional high gain antenna that is useful in these heavy interference situations. Still, it is best to locate the antenna away from radiating sources so you can avoid degradation in antenna performance.

	<p><b>WARNING:</b> <i>Do not</i> cut the cable to a shorter length. Instead, bundle any excess cable. Correct antenna cable length—even if you do not “use it all”—is critical to proper SyncServer operation, which should have a gain within the range of 15dB–25dB.</p>
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**Outdoors:** Install the antenna, using the mast and mounting brackets, with a clear view of the sky, and away from radio frequency interference. It should be mounted vertically, in a location with an unobstructed view of 30° of the horizon. Be sure to position it at least two meters from other active receiving antennas, and shield it from transmitting antennas.

**Indoors:** While Datum does not recommend indoor installations, we understand that this may be the only option available to some customers. In such a case, it is best to temporarily install the antenna along a window to verify performance, before making such a configuration permanent.

Install the antenna by placing it near a window with a clear view of the sky, and away from radio frequency interference. Make sure it is as vertical as possible. Reflective window coatings will not only reflect sunlight, but the GPS signal as well. You can

expect lower performance if you have reflective or heavy tinting on your office windows.

**To install the GPS antenna:**

- ☐ Slide the antenna mounting pole down over the antenna cable so that the cable passes through the center of the pole.
- ☐ Take the end of the cable that has passed through the pole and screw the antenna onto the cable by turning the antenna.
- ☐ Screw the antenna down on the mounting pole by turning the pole.
- ☐ Use the saddle straps to mount the antenna mast in an area where the antenna has a 30° view of the horizon.
- ☐ After running the cable from the SyncServer location to the antenna, attach the cable to the antenna.

For additional information, ask your Datum representative for the *GPS Antenna Mounting Guide*.

3. *Optional:* Connect the modem phone line to the card on the back of the S100.
4. *Optional:* Connect the chassis ground and install nut (not provided).
5. On the back panel of the SyncServer, **turn on** the Power switch. The Power LED (green) in the front panel comes on. When the hard drive is active, a red LED light comes on.

**Establishing A Serial Connection**

This step is necessary so you can establish the SyncServer's IP address. The only time you will need to make a serial connection with the SyncServer is now, during setup. Once the SyncServer has an IP address, you will use the web-based interface.

The following instructions assume you are using Windows.

1. On the PC you are using to manage the S100, click **Start->Programs->Accessories->HyperTerminal**.
2. Double-click `Hypertrm.exe`.
3. In the **Connection Description** dialog's **Name** field, enter `SyncServer1` (for example).
4. Click **OK**.
5. In the **Connect to** dialog, select the **com Port number** of the comm port you are plugged into.
6. Click **OK**.

7. In the **Com1 Properties** dialog, enter the following Port Settings information:

Port Setting:	Enter:
Bits per second:	115.2kbps or higher
Data bits:	8
Parity:	none
Stop bits:	1
Flow Control:	Hardware

8. Click **OK**.
9. Select **File->Properties**. The **Properties** dialog opens. Click the **Settings** tab. Be sure the **Telnet Terminal ID** is set at *ANSI*.
10. Click **OK**.

### To set the IP address:

1. Login with the user ID of **root** and use the default password **datum**.  
**NOTE:** For security purposes, the **root**, or **superuser**, password should immediately be changed by using the **passwd** utility.
2. In HyperTerminal, type in the **netconfig** command. Enter the correct information.
3. Next, type the **reboot** command. The SyncServer reboots.

Your SyncServer now has an IP address.

## Testing Network Functionality

Now ensure that your network is functioning correctly.

### Checking to See if the SyncServer is On the Network

To check the functionality of the network, first check the Ethernet connection between the client computer and the SyncServer:

1. Call up the client computer's command prompt.
2. Enter ping command to verify that the SyncServer is visible on the network.  
*Example:* **ping** xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx (the address you entered in [To set the IP address;](#) above).
3. Press **Enter**

If there is an affirmative response, the SyncServer is visible to the network.

**NOTE:** If there is no response, then troubleshoot and fix the connection problem before proceeding with the next steps.

## How to Acquire Time

With SyncServer, you can choose your source of secure time.

Each of the time references described in this section is configured by using the web-based interface's **Config Wizard**.

First, log on.

### Logging On



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title bar 'SyncServer™ S100'. The address bar shows 'grendel.datum.com' and the page timestamp is 'Wed May 29 01:58:31 EDT 2002'. The main heading is 'Administrator Log-In'. Below this is a table with two columns: 'Parameter' and 'Value'. The 'Name' parameter has a text input field, and the 'Password' parameter has a password input field. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Reset' and 'Log In'.

Parameter	Value
Name	<input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="password"/>

Reset Log In

Figure 2-3 Logging In

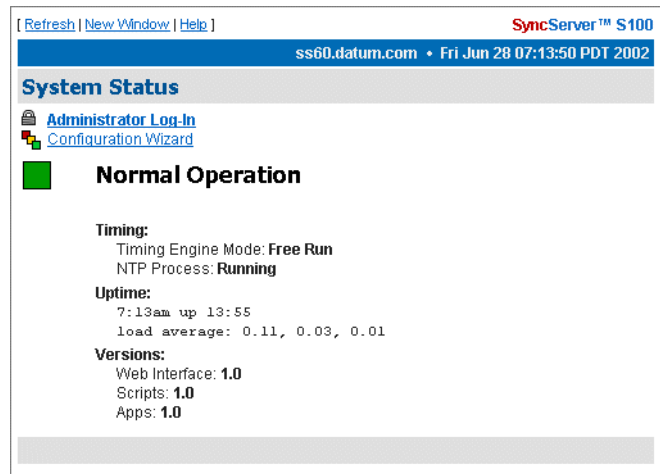
Here is how to log in to the web-based interface:

Using your browser, this dialog displays once you click on the link to or icon for your SyncServer S100.

Enter the default user name, **admin**, and default password, **datum**.

You may log off by clicking **Log Out** at the top of each screen in the interface. More about logging off can be found in Chapter 3, [Logging Off](#).

Assuming this is the first time you have logged in, you now see the [System Status](#) screen.



**Figure 2-4:** Checking the System Status

The *System Status* screen gives you the status of your SyncServer's timing, uptime, and versions.

The color of the box on the left side of the screen is your guide. It follows the traffic light convention:

- Green = Normal Operation: SyncServer up and running with the correct time
- Amber = Unsatisfactory: Some settings still need attention before secure time can be issued
- Red = Unsatisfactory: System not yet ready to issue time


Log-ins after this first log-in will bring you to the last screen you accessed in your most recent session.



## The Config Wizard

Using your browser, follow this easy-to-direct sequence of dialogs to configure your SyncServer's source of time. You will need the wizard only once, unless you change the time source for your S100.

Every screen in the wizard lets you start over, reset, or (for a screen in a sequence) go back to the previous screen.

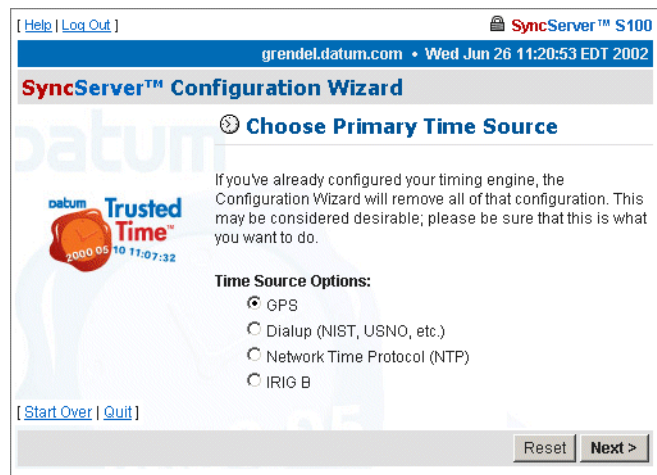
**NOTE:** When within the Config Wizard, do not use your browser's *back* button but use the Wizard's instead: 

### Choose Your Time Source

The first dialog in the ConfigWizard asks you to choose the source of time.

The choices are:

- GPS
- Dialup (to NIST, for example)
- Network Time Protocol (NTP)
- IRIG B



**Figure 2-5:** Choose Your Time Source



**Warning:**

If you've already configured your timing engine, the Configuration Wizard will remove all of that configuration. This may be considered desirable; please be sure that this is what you want to do.

The following graphic shows the route you take once you choose the time-source option you prefer.

## Configuring Your SyncServer's Time Source

### GPS or IRIG

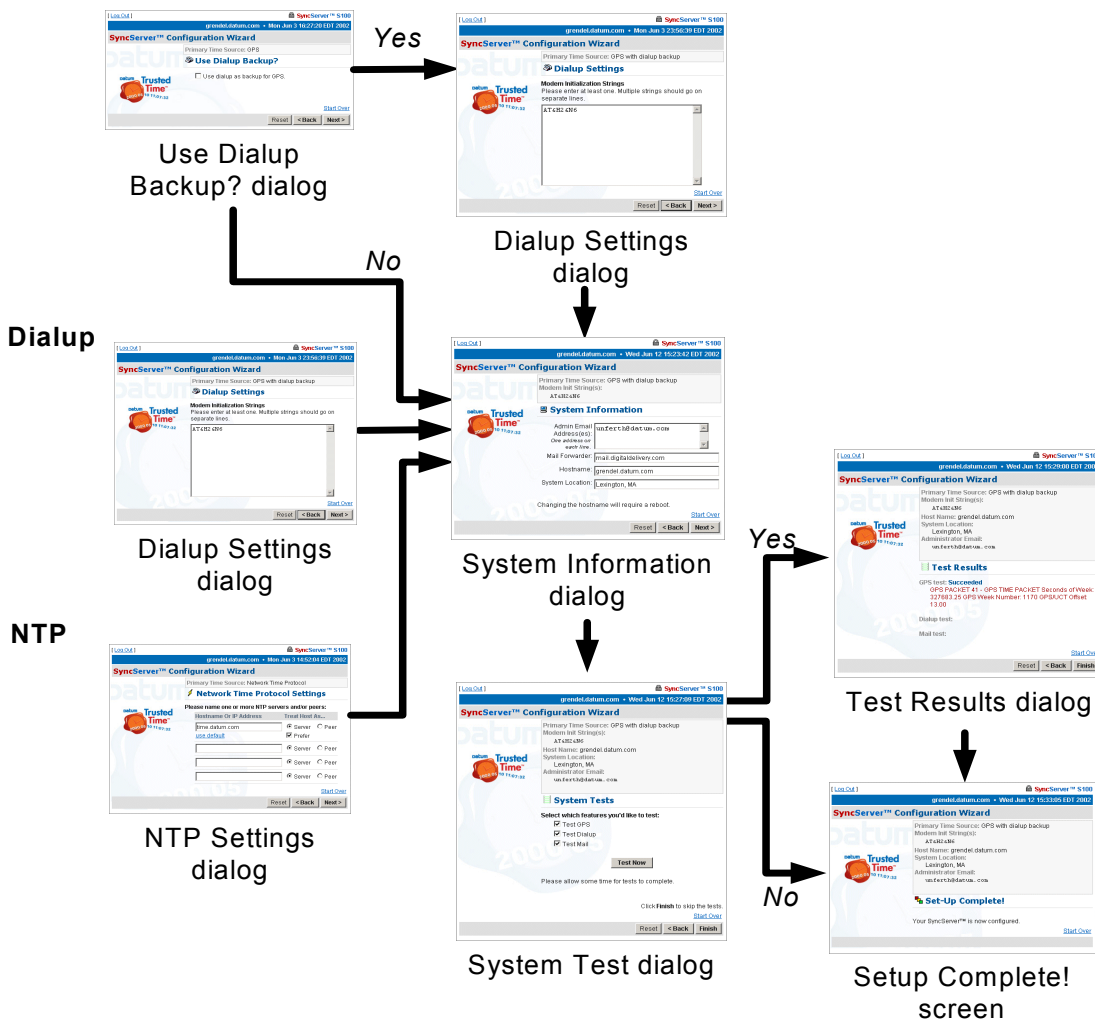


Figure 2-6: Configuring the Time Source

## GPS

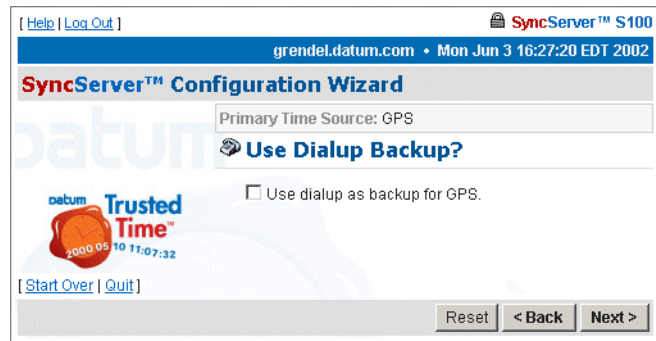


Figure 2-7: Dialog Backup

If you choose **GPS** and click **Next**, the *Dialup Backup* dialog displays. If you wish to use dialup as a backup time source to GPS, click the checkbox next to **Use dialup as backup to GPS**, then click the **Next** button.

If you do not want to back up your GPS time source with dialup, leave the checkbox unselected, and click **Next**, which will open the [System Information dialog](#).

If you do check **Use dialup as backup for GPS**, this *Dialup Settings* dialog displays.

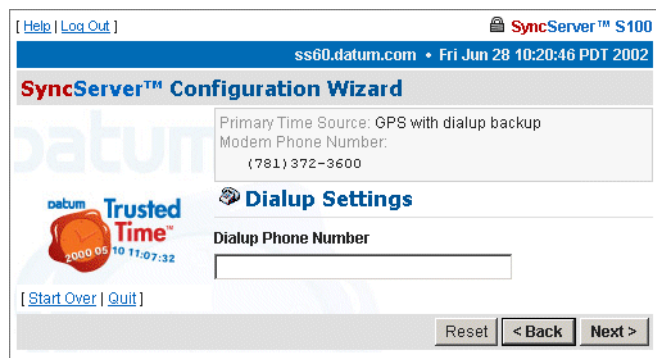
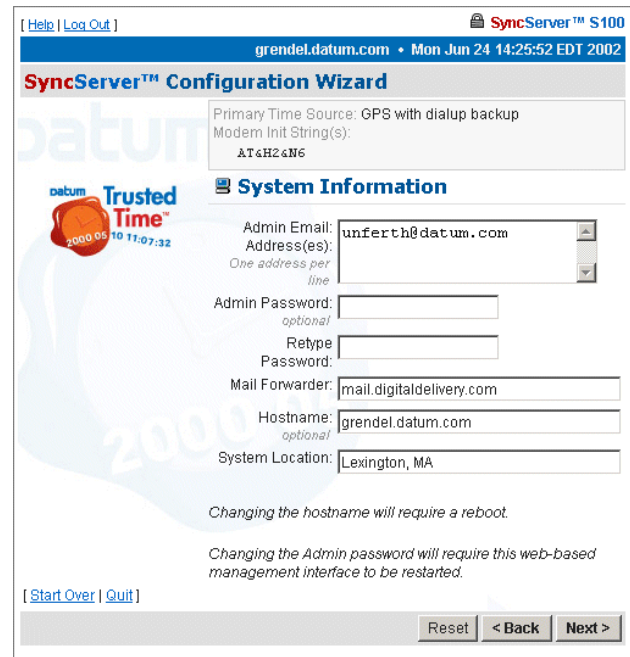


Figure 2-8: Dialup Settings

In the field, type in your **modem phone number**. Obtain these from your IS person if you do not know them yourself.

Then click **Next** for the *System Information* dialog.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there's a status bar with '[ Help | Log Out ]', the URL 'grendel.datum.com', and the date/time 'Mon Jun 24 14:25:52 EDT 2002'. Below this, the title 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' is displayed. The main content area is divided into two sections. The top section, titled 'System Information', contains the following fields: 'Primary Time Source: GPS with dialup backup', 'Modem Init String(s): AT&H2&N5', 'Admin Email: unferth@datum.com', 'Address(es):' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Admin Password:' (with a note 'optional'), 'Retype Password:', 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com', 'Hostname: grendel.datum.com' (with a note 'optional'), and 'System Location: Lexington, MA'. Below these fields, there are two lines of text: 'Changing the hostname will require a reboot.' and 'Changing the Admin password will require this web-based management interface to be restarted.' At the bottom of the dialog, there are buttons for '[ Start Over | Quit ]', 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Next >'. A large, semi-transparent 'datum' watermark is visible in the background.

**Figure 2-9:** System Info fields

### System Information dialog

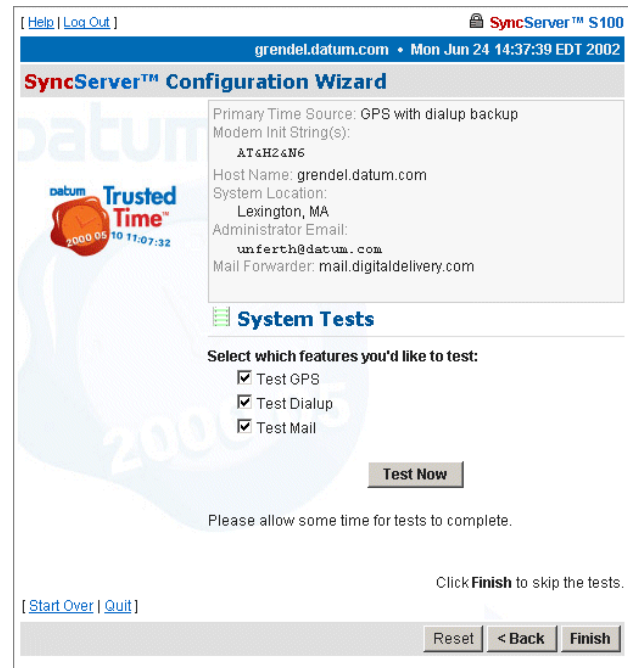
The *System Information* dialog shows you:

- Admin e-mail, for the administrator of the SyncServer
- Mail forwarder, or the SMTP server
- Host name
- System (SyncServer) location

Confirm the data that is in the fields. If it is not accurate, change it to the correct information.

Click **Next**.

The *System Tests* dialog displays.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there's a header bar with 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 14:37:39 EDT 2002' and a 'SyncServer™ S100' logo. Below the header, the title 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' is displayed. The main content area is divided into two sections. The top section contains configuration details: 'Primary Time Source: GPS with dialup backup', 'Modem Init String(s): AT&H2&N6', 'Host Name: grendel.datum.com', 'System Location: Lexington, MA', 'Administrator Email: unferth@datum.com', and 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com'. The bottom section is titled 'System Tests' and contains a list of features to test: 'Test GPS', 'Test Dialup', and 'Test Mail', all of which are checked. A 'Test Now' button is located below the list. At the bottom of the window, there are links for '[ Start Over | Quit ]' and a row of buttons: 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Finish'. A note at the bottom right says 'Click Finish to skip the tests.'

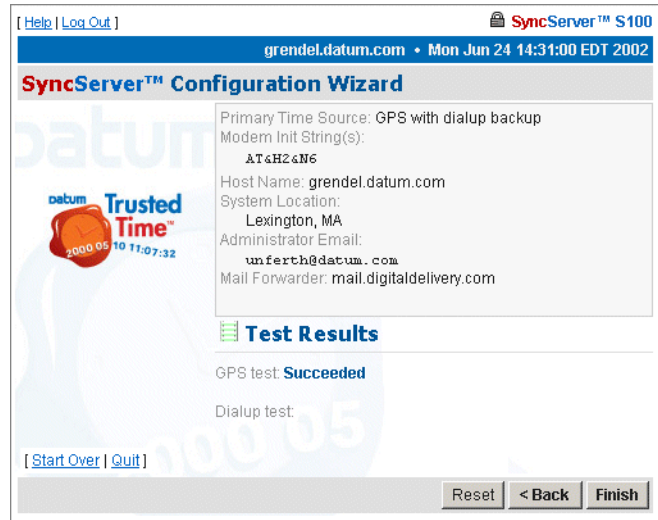
Figure 2-10: System Testing options

You can skip the test by clicking **Finish**, or initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The default is to test all the services, so unless you un-check them, they all will be tested. If you do not use dialup as backup, it will not be listed here nor will it be tested.

Initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The *Test Results* dialog displays, with the results of your test.



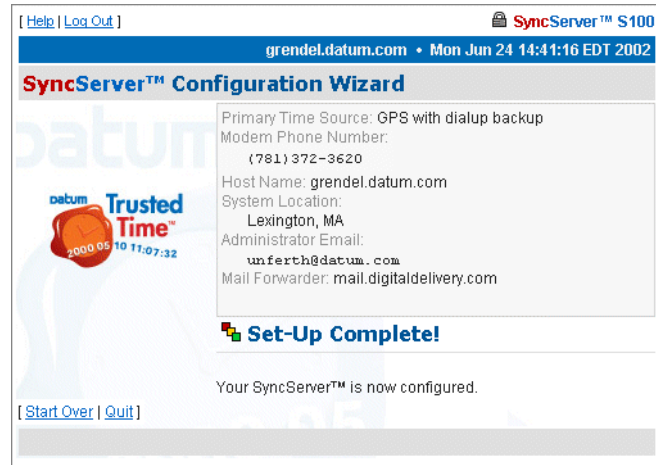
**Figure 2-11:** Test Results shown

What this tells you is the GPS for your SyncServer is functioning properly.

There is no output to the “Mail test” field. That is because mail is tested by sending an e-mail to the address that you indicated earlier.

Click **Finish**.

The *Setup Complete* screen displays.



**Figure 2-12:** Your GPS set-up is complete

This screen verifies your configuration of your SyncServer:

- Its time source
- Modem phone number (if you designated dialup as the backup source for time)
- Host name
- System location
- Administrator e-mail

### Dialup

When using dial-up (or ACTS or 1PPS), the time reference is coming from an analog phone line through the built-in modem. The Automated Computer Time System is maintained by NIST.

In the US, use either of these phone numbers to access time:

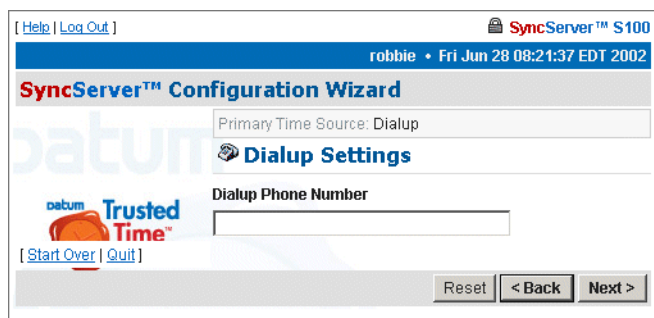
- Colorado: (303) 494-4774
- Hawaii: (808) 335-4721

Outside the US, connect with your local measurement institute.

Your modem or adapter should be configured according to these parameters:

Line speed:	9600 bps
Data format:	Eight word bits, no parity bit, one stop bit (8/N/1)
Flow control:	XON/XOFF (software)
Data:	V.120 data (ISDN only)

If you choose the **Dialup** radio button and click **Next**, the *Dialup Settings* dialog displays.

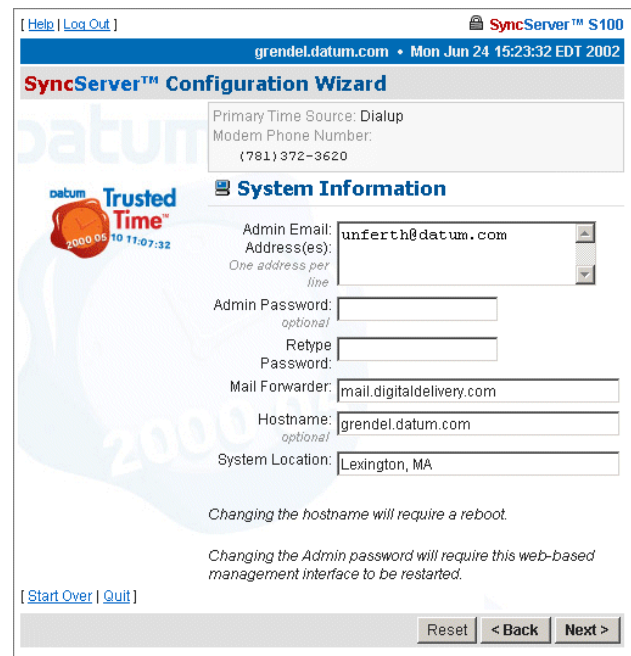


**Figure 2-13:** Dialup Settings

In the field, type in or paste your **modem phone number**.

Then click **Next** for the *System Information* dialog.





The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there's a status bar with '[ Help | Log Out ]', a lock icon, 'SyncServer™ S100', and 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 15:23:32 EDT 2002'. Below this is the title 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard'. On the left is a 'Trusted Time' logo with a clock icon and the text '2000 05 10 11:07:32'. The main area is titled 'System Information' and contains several input fields: 'Primary Time Source: Dialup', 'Modem Phone Number: (781) 372-3620', 'Admin Email: unferth@datum.com', 'Address(es):' (with a note 'One address per line'), 'Admin Password:' (optional), 'Retype Password:', 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com', 'Hostname: grendel.datum.com' (optional), and 'System Location: Lexington, MA'. Below these fields are two lines of text: 'Changing the hostname will require a reboot.' and 'Changing the Admin password will require this web-based management interface to be restarted.' At the bottom left are links '[ Start Over | Quit ]'. At the bottom right are buttons 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Next >'.

**Figure 2-14: System Info fields**

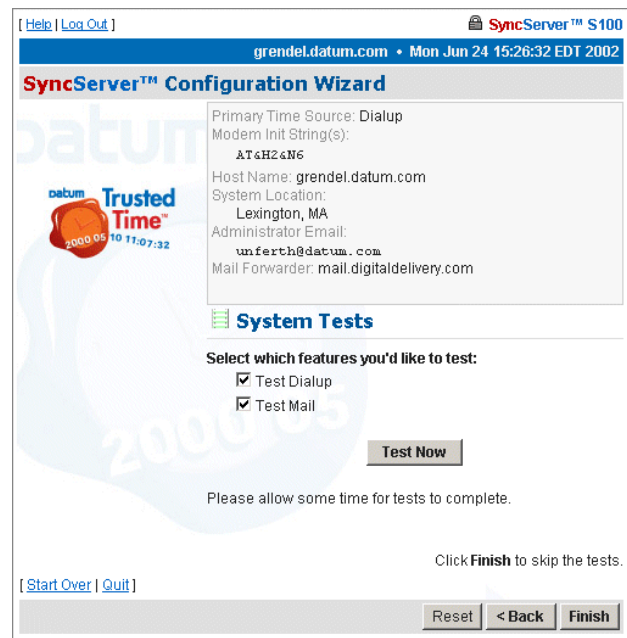
The *System Information* dialog shows you:

- Admin e-mail, for the administrator of the SyncServer
- Mail forwarder, or the SMTP server
- Host name
- System (SyncServer) location

Confirm the data that is in the fields. If it is not accurate, change it to the correct information.

Click **Next**.

The *System Tests* dialog displays.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there are links for '[ Help | Log Out ]' and a status bar showing 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 15:26:32 EDT 2002'. The main title is 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard'. On the left, there is a 'datum Trusted Time' logo with a red seal that says '2000.05.10 11:07:32'. The right side of the window contains configuration details: 'Primary Time Source: Dialup', 'Modem Init String(s): AT&H2&N6', 'Host Name: grendel.datum.com', 'System Location: Lexington, MA', 'Administrator Email: unferth@datum.com', and 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com'. Below this, the 'System Tests' section is active, showing 'Select which features you'd like to test:' with two checked options: 'Test Dialup' and 'Test Mail'. A 'Test Now' button is located below the checkboxes. At the bottom, there is a note 'Please allow some time for tests to complete.' and a link 'Click Finish to skip the tests.' The footer contains links '[ Start Over | Quit ]' and buttons 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Finish'.

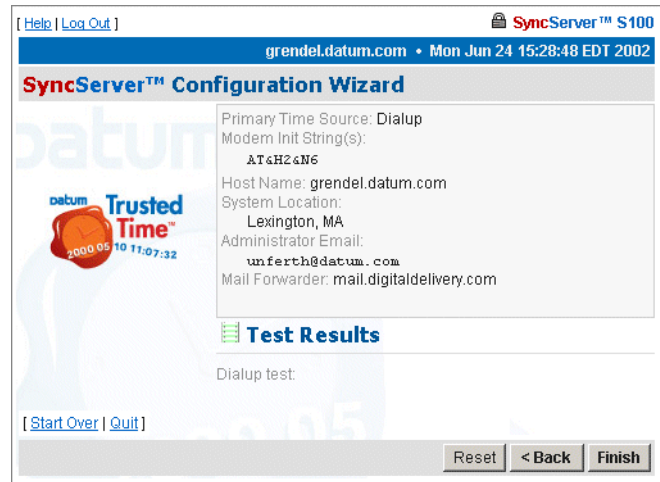
**Figure 2-15:** System Testing options

You can skip the test by clicking **Finish**, or initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The default is to test all the designated services, so **Dialup** and **E-Mail**, unless you uncheck them, will be tested.

To initiate the test, click **Test Now**.

The *Test Results* dialog displays, with the results of your test.

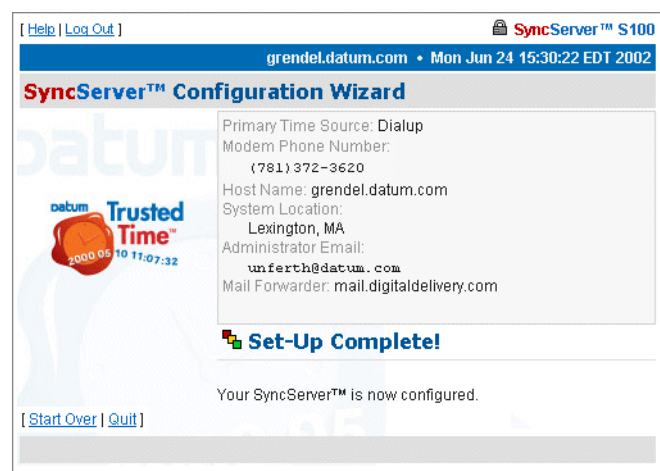


**Figure 2-16:** Test Results shown

What this tells you is the dialup timesource for your SyncServer is functioning properly. There is no output to the “Mail test” field. That is because mail is tested by sending an e-mail to the address that you indicated earlier.

Click **Finish**.

The *Setup Complete* screen displays.



**Figure 2-17:** Your Dialup set-up is complete


This screen verifies your configuration of your SyncServer:

- Its time source
- Modem phone number
- Host name
- System location
- Administrator e-mail

### NTP

You can also acquire time through other NTPv4 servers and SyncServers.

If you choose the *NTP* radio button and click **Next**, the *Network Time Protocol Settings* dialog displays.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, it says 'Primary Time Source: Network Time Protocol'. Below this is the 'Network Time Protocol Settings' section. It prompts the user to 'Please name one or more NTP servers and/or peers:'. There is a table with two columns: 'IP Address' and 'Treat Host As...'. The first row has '63.149.208.51' in the IP Address column and 'Server' selected in the 'Treat Host As...' column. Below the IP Address is a link 'use default'. There are three more empty rows for adding more servers. At the bottom of the window, there are buttons for 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Next >'. A 'Start Over' link is also visible near the bottom left.

**Figure 2-18:** Defining Your NTP Settings

Here, you name one (or more) NTP servers or peers.

NTPv4's Autokey requires digitally signed certificates. For more about the Autokey protocol, see [SyncServer and NTPv4's Security Features](#).

Then click **Next**.

The *System Information* dialog displays.

[ [Help](#) | [Log Out](#) ] SyncServer™ S100

grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 16:18:06 EDT 2002

### SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard

Primary Time Source: Network Time Protocol  
NTP Associations:  
server time.datum.com prefer

#### System Information

Admin Email:

Address(es):

One address per line

Admin Password:

optional

Retype Password:

Mail Forwarder:

Hostname:

optional

System Location:

Changing the hostname will require a reboot.

Changing the Admin password will require this web-based management interface to be restarted.

[ [Start Over](#) | [Quit](#) ]

Reset < Back Next >

Figure 2-19: System Info fields

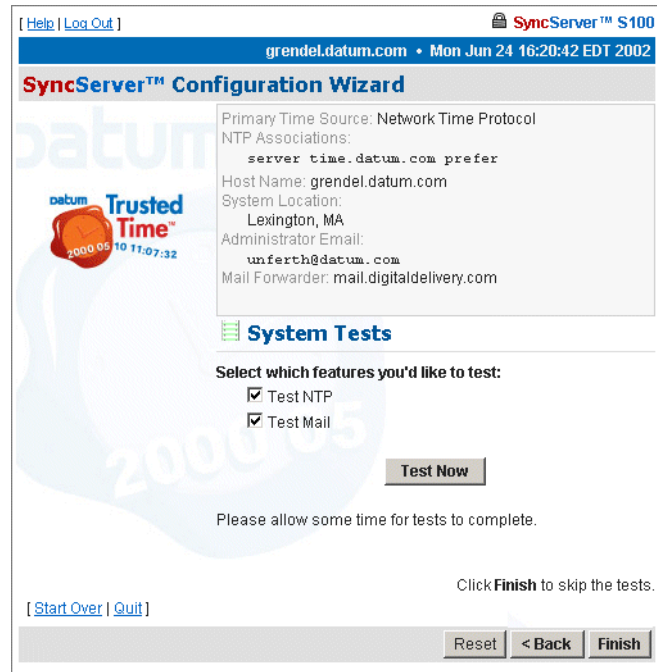
The *System Information* dialog shows you:

- Admin e-mail, for the administrator of the SyncServer
- Mail forwarder, or the SMTP server
- Host name
- System (SyncServer) location

Confirm the data that is in the fields. If it is not accurate, change it to the correct information.

Click **Next**.

The *System Tests* dialog displays.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there's a header bar with '[ Help | Log Out ]' on the left and 'SyncServer™ S100' on the right. Below this is a status bar showing 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 16:20:42 EDT 2002'. The main title is 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard'. On the left side, there's a 'datum Trusted Time' logo with a clock icon showing '2000 05 10 11:07:32'. The right side contains configuration details: 'Primary Time Source: Network Time Protocol', 'NTP Associations: server time.datum.com prefer', 'Host Name: grendel.datum.com', 'System Location: Lexington, MA', 'Administrator Email: unferth@datum.com', and 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com'. Below this is a section titled 'System Tests' with the instruction 'Select which features you'd like to test:'. There are two checked checkboxes: 'Test NTP' and 'Test Mail'. A 'Test Now' button is to the right. Below the checkboxes, it says 'Please allow some time for tests to complete.' At the bottom right, it says 'Click **Finish** to skip the tests.' The footer has '[ Start Over | Quit ]' on the left and 'Reset < Back Finish' buttons on the right.

**Figure 2-20:** System Testing options

You can skip the test by clicking **Finish**, or initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The default is to test all the services, so **NTP** and **E-Mail**, unless you un-check them, will be tested.

Click **Test Now**.

The *Test Results* dialog displays, with the results of your test.

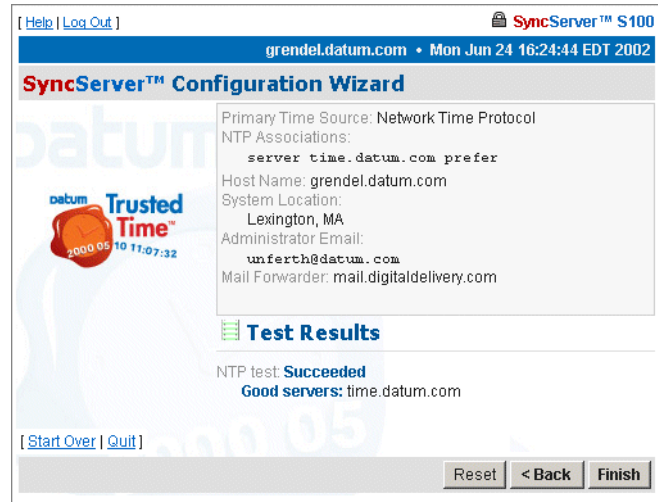
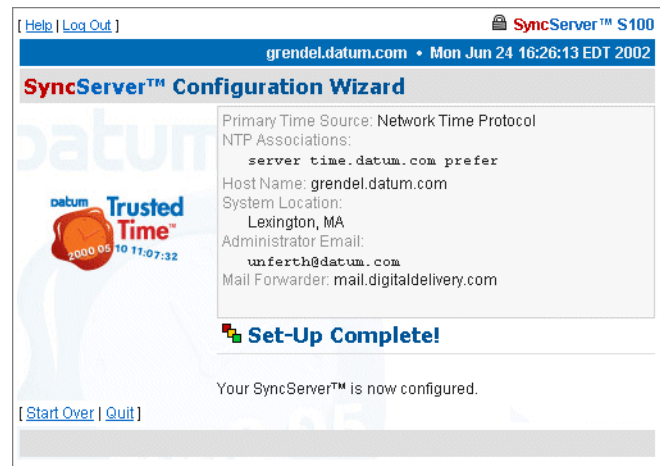


Figure 2-21: Test Results shown

What this tells you is the NTP time source for your SyncServer is functioning properly. There is no output to the “Mail test” field. That is because mail is tested by sending an e-mail to the address that you indicated earlier.

Click **Finish**.

The *Setup Complete* screen displays.



**Figure 2-22:** Your NTP set-up is complete

This screen verifies your configuration of your SyncServer:

- Its time source
- Host name
- System location
- Administrator e-mail

### Configuring NTP

To configure NTP, use the [NTP Relationships](#) dialog of the interface, as described in Chapter 3. Use the dialog to view the NTP status and create the NTP associations.



## IRIG B

With the optional Datum cable, you can reference time for your SyncServer via IRIG (timecode).

If you choose **IRIG B** and click **Next**, the *Dialup Backup* dialog displays.

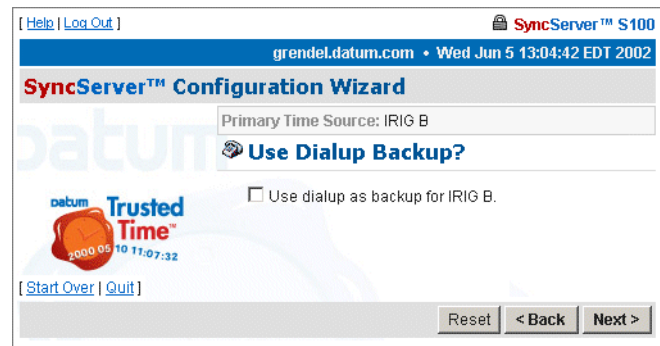


Figure 2-23: Dialog Backup

If you wish to use dialup as a backup time source to GPS, click the checkbox next to **Use dialup for backup to IRIG B**, then the **Next** button.

If you do not want to back up your IRIG with dialup, leave the checkbox unselected, and click **Next**.

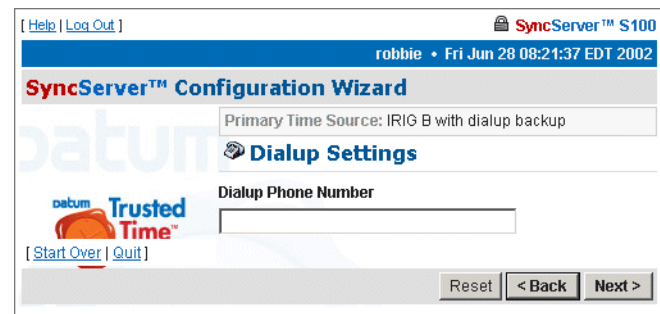
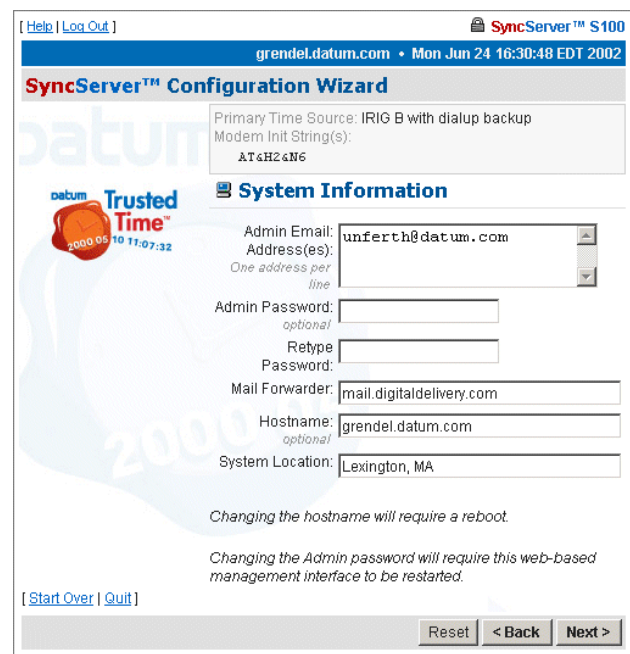


Figure 2-24: Dialup Settings

If you do check **Use dialup as backup for IRIG**, this *Dialup Settings* dialog displays.

In the field, type in or paste in your **modem phone number**.

Then click **Next** for the *System Information* dialog



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there's a status bar with '[ Help | Log Out ]', a lock icon, 'SyncServer™ S100', and 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 16:30:48 EDT 2002'. Below this, the title 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' is displayed. On the left, there's a 'datum Trusted Time' logo with a clock icon showing '2000 05 10 11:07:32'. The main area is titled 'System Information' and contains several fields: 'Primary Time Source: IRIG B with dialup backup', 'Modem Init String(s): AT&H2&N6', 'Admin Email: unferth@datum.com', 'Address(es):' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Admin Password:' (with a password field icon), 'Retype Password:', 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com', 'Hostname: grendel.datum.com', and 'System Location: Lexington, MA'. Below these fields, there are two lines of text: 'Changing the hostname will require a reboot.' and 'Changing the Admin password will require this web-based management interface to be restarted.' At the bottom left, there are links '[ Start Over | Quit ]'. At the bottom right, there are buttons 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Next >'.

**Figure 2-25:** System Info fields

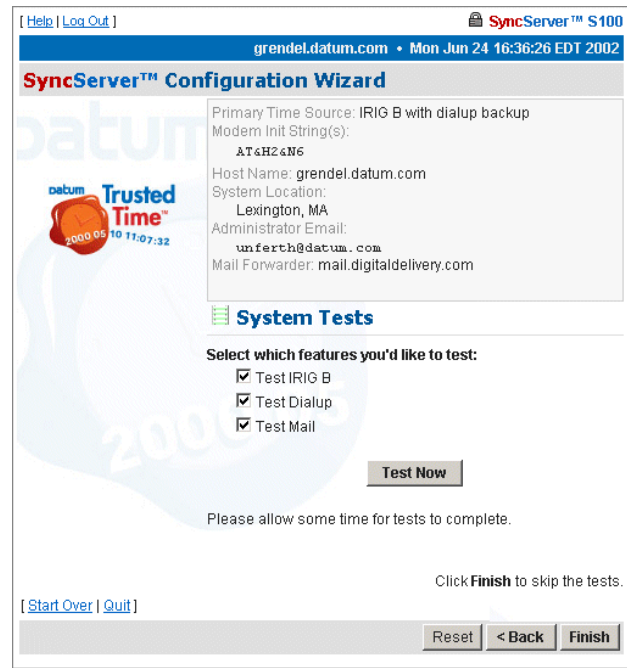
The *System Information* dialog shows you:

- Admin e-mail, for the administrator of the SyncServer
- Mail forwarder, or the SMTP server
- Host name
- System (SyncServer) location

Confirm the data that is in the fields. If it is not accurate, change it to the correct information.

Click **Next**.

The *System Tests* dialog displays.



The screenshot shows the 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard' window. At the top, there are links for '[ Help | Log Out ]' and the SyncServer™ S100 logo. Below this is a status bar showing 'grendel.datum.com • Mon Jun 24 16:36:26 EDT 2002'. The main title is 'SyncServer™ Configuration Wizard'. On the left, there is a 'datum Trusted Time' logo with a red seal that says '2000.05.10 11:07:32'. The right side of the window contains configuration details: 'Primary Time Source: IRIG B with dialup backup', 'Modem Init String(s): AT&H2&N6', 'Host Name: grendel.datum.com', 'System Location: Lexington, MA', 'Administrator Email: unferth@datum.com', and 'Mail Forwarder: mail.digitaldelivery.com'. Below this is a section titled 'System Tests' with the instruction 'Select which features you'd like to test:'. There are three checked checkboxes: 'Test IRIG B', 'Test Dialup', and 'Test Mail'. A 'Test Now' button is located to the right of these checkboxes. Below the button, it says 'Please allow some time for tests to complete.' At the bottom right, it says 'Click Finish to skip the tests.' At the bottom left, there are links for '[ Start Over | Quit ]'. At the bottom center, there are three buttons: 'Reset', '< Back', and 'Finish'.

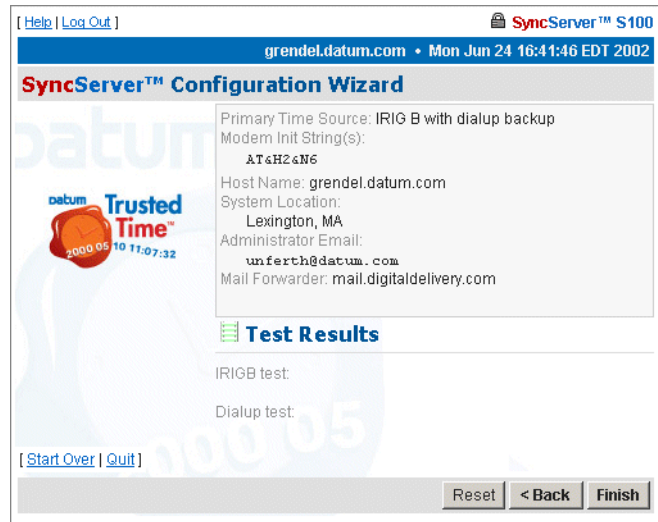
**Figure 2-26:** System Testing options

You can skip the test by clicking **Finish**, or initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The default is to test all the services, so unless you un-check them, they all will be tested. If you do not use dialup as backup, it will not be listed here nor will it be tested.

Initiate the test by clicking **Test Now**.

The *Test Results* dialog displays, with the results of your test.



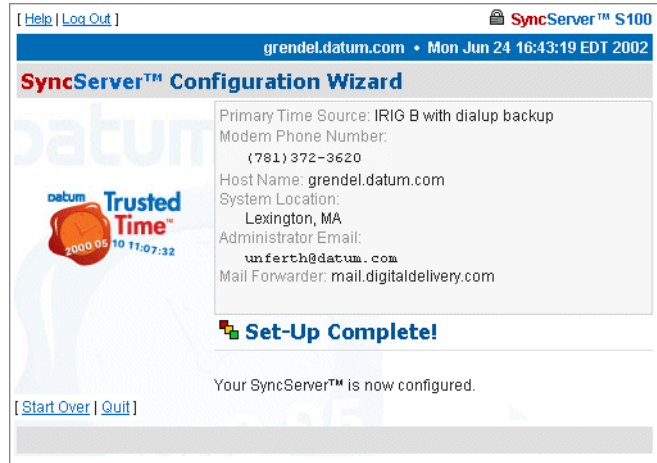
**Figure 2-27:** Test Results shown

What this tells you is the IRIG for your SyncServer is functioning properly.

There is no output to the “Mail test” field. That is because mail is tested by sending an e-mail to the address that you indicated earlier.

Click **Finish**.

The *Setup Complete* screen displays.



**Figure 2-28:** Your IRIG set-up is complete

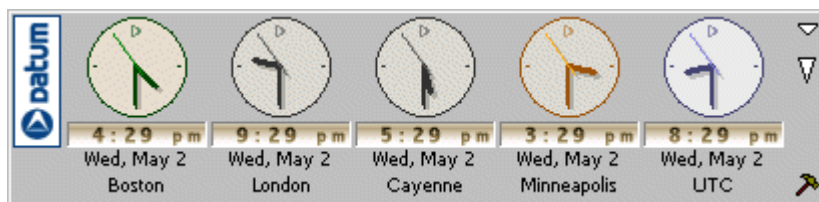
This screen verifies your configuration of your SyncServer:

- Its time source
- Modem phone number (if you designated dialup as the backup source for time)
- Host name
- System location
- Administrator e-mail

## Using DatumTime™

Next, you need to install client software to test NTP (Windows installation).

The DatumTime time utility is a handy way of doing this. It keeps accurate time on your client computer.



**Figure 2-29** DatumTime™ Time Utility, sample configuration

### Installing the DatumTime™ Client Software

1. On the client computer's hard drive, create a separate directory for DatumTime.
2. Copy the `Datumtime.exe` file from the utility disk into this directory.
3. Double-click `Datumtime.exe`. This will install the program onto your computer.
4. Configure the clocks the way you want by using the Build tool (click on the hammer in the lower right corner).
5. Right-click on the displayed clocks for the menu and select **Sync Servers**.
6. On the dialog that opens, click **Add Server**.
7. In the New Server dialog, enter the **IP address** and **location** of the SyncServer. Click **OK**.
8. Click **OK**.

### To synchronize DatumTime:

1. Right-click anywhere on the clocks. Select **Sync Status** to tell your computer when to automatically get time from the SyncServer.
2. Click **Sync Now**. If you get a non-response, it is because you have not yet configured the SyncServer; configure it now. An affirmative response confirms you have configured the SyncServer.

## Next: Use the Web-Based Interface

Now that you have established your SyncServer as a network appliance, and have configured your time source and installed your client software, you can use the web-based interface to manage SyncServer operations. See Chapter 3 for complete descriptions.

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## Chapter 3

# *The Web-Based Interface*

### Overview

The following is a description of the web-based software interface that you use to manage SyncServer.

This material is designed to be a reference for you as you use your SyncServer. It also describes some of the procedures that will help you begin using your S100.

Datum recommends you review this section before beginning the permanent installation of your S100, so that you will be familiar with it when you need to use it.

If you are not familiar with Network Time Protocol, we recommend that you use the [NTPD Help](#) link in the interface menu to review the NTP Distribution document (source: University of Delaware) embedded in the SyncServer interface. Reading through this document, and using the links within it, will give you an in-depth information about NTP.

### Interface: Screen Reference

The SyncServer management interface has been designed with ease of use in mind. As a result, you access the management interface SyncServer through any web browser. This

section describes the screens used in the interface, including their functions. It supplies some procedural instructions, as well.

Each dialog or screen, except in the Config Wizard, lets you *refresh* that screen or open a *new window*, and all will let you *log out*.

For security reasons, the interface will time out after 20 minutes if there is no activity.

## Logging In

Parameter	Value
Name	<input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="password"/>

Reset Log In

**Figure 3-1:** Logging In

This dialog displays once you enter the SyncServer's IP address or click on the link to or icon for your SyncServer S100.

Enter the default user name, **admin**, and default password, **datum**.

Assuming this is the first time you have logged in, you will see the [System Status](#) screen.

Log-ins after this first log-in will bring you to the last screen you accessed in your most recent session.



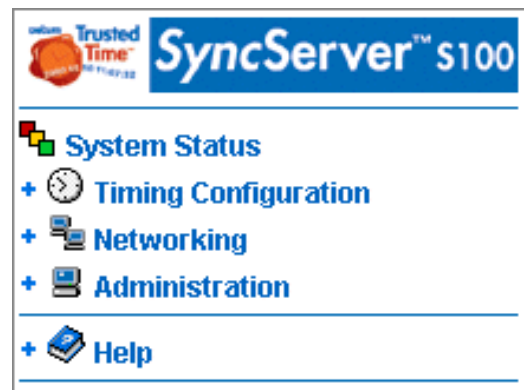
## Administrative Interface

This is your main tool as you use your SyncServer.

If you click *Refresh* at the top of any screen, it will remove any confirmation or error messages on the screen.

If you click *New Window* at the top of any screen, it opens a second browser window without the admin menu.

### Admin Interface: Base Menu



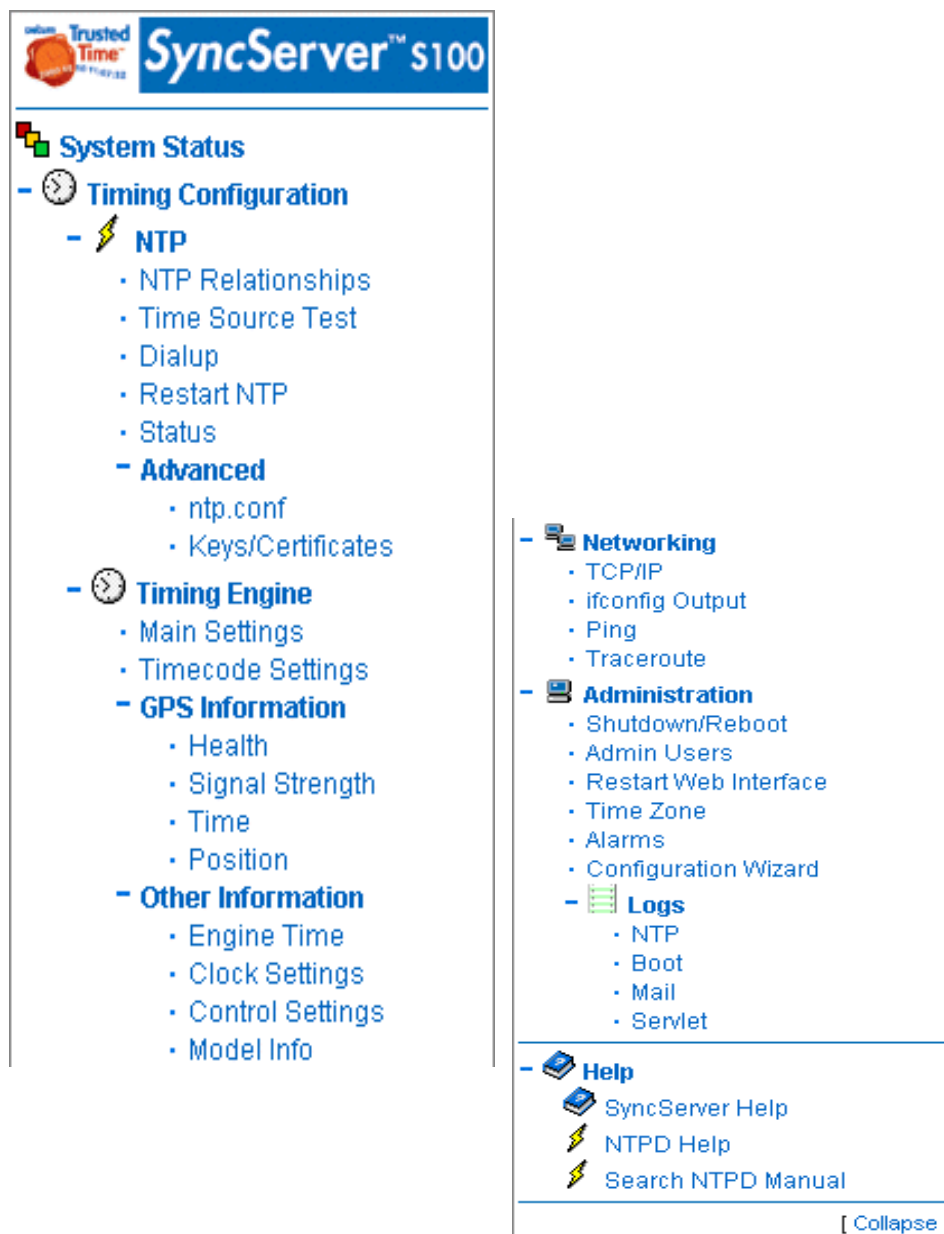
**Figure 3-2:** Administrative Interface:  
Base Menu

The first thing you see on the left of your screen is the base **Administrative** (Admin) **Menu**. This is your “home base” interface as you use SyncServer.

Click on each “+” symbol to see that portion of the menu expand.

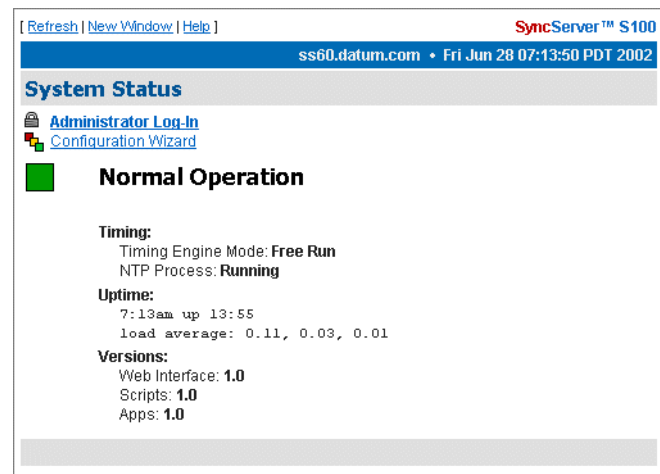
**Administrative Menu: Expanded**

Expanding each item on the base menu shows you all the available options. Click on *Collapse* (at the bottom of the menu) to revert to the base version of the menu.



**Figure 3-3:** Interface Admin Menu, expanded

## System Status



**Figure 3-4:** Checking the Status

Clicking this item, you will quickly see the status of your SyncServer.

The color of the box on the left side of the page is your guide. It follows the traffic light convention:

- Green = Normal Operation: SyncServer up and running with the correct time
- Amber = Unsatisfactory: Some settings still need attention before secure time can be issued
- Red = Unsatisfactory: System not yet ready to issue time

## Timing Configuration

These menu options let you manage NTP, the heart of the SyncServer system. For more details on each of the NTP terms used here, see [NTPD Help](#).

### NTP Relationships

[ Refresh | New Window | Help | Log Out ]      SyncServer™ S100  
robbie • Fri Jun 28 10:26:42 EDT 2002

### NTP Relationships

Remove	Role	Address	Parameters
<input type="checkbox"/>	server	127.127.18.3	

Reset      Remove and Restart NTP

[NTP Configuration Help](#)

### Add New Relationship

Parameter	Value
Role	Server
Address	<input type="text"/> <a href="#">dialup timing engine</a>
Dialup Phone Number	(781) 372-3600 <small>Required if and only if dialup (server 127.127.18.3) is used.</small>
Prefer	<input type="checkbox"/> server or peer only
Key	None <input type="text"/>
Burst	n/a
Minimum Poll Interval	n/a <small>Must be &lt;= than maxpoll; default is 0:01:04</small>
Maximum Poll Interval	n/a <small>Must be &gt;= minpoll; default is 0:17:04</small>
Time to Live	<input type="text"/> <small>broadcast, multicast, and manycast only</small>
Version	Default

Reset      Add and Restart NTP

**Figure 3-5:** Configuring New Clients and Servers

Use this option to configure NTP. Essentially, here you define the relationships between and among this host and other hosts.

For more details, see the **NTPD Help**.

In the *NTP Associations* panel of this screen you see the configuration of the network that you are putting the SyncServer on. These are all the devices the SyncServer will supply time to, and/or get time from. They are named (as server, peer, or client) depending on their relationship to the SyncServer.

In this section, clicking **Reset** clears any data you've just added, and clicking **Remove and Restart NTP** deletes the checked host(s).

The *Add New Relationships* panel lets you add a host to your configuration. Next to each parameter, enter the values for the clients you are adding to the configuration:

*Role* - The host you add can serve in any one of these roles:

- A peer
- Client
- Server
- Broadcast
- Multicast client
- Broadcast client
- Multicast server
- Multicast client

*Address* - Here, enter the IP address or host name for the host you are adding.

*Dialup, timing engine, and Set timing engine mode* links - Use these links to populate the address field appropriately.

*Dialup Phone Number* - Here, enter the modem phone number you will be using.

*Prefer* - This marks the server as “preferred”, meaning this server, of all the correctly operating hosts and if all things are equal, will be the host chosen for synchronization.

*Key (NTPv4 only)* - All packets sent to and received from the server or peer will include authentication fields encrypted using the specified key.

- **None**: The default, no encryption field.
- **Key=** : This is the index of the key in the keystore.
- **Autokey**: All packets sent to and received from the server or peer include authentication fields encrypted using the autokey scheme.

*Burst* - Data grouped for transmission, in these ways:

- **N/A**: If you choose this option, the Burst command will not be executed.
- **Burst**: Selecting this option tells the system that when the server is reachable, send eight packets instead of one.
- **iBurst**: Selecting this option tells the system that when the server is *not* reachable, send eight packets and keep trying every 16 seconds.

*Minimum Poll Interval* - Indicate in seconds the smallest measure of time in which you want the SyncServer to check the network hosts' time. If you enter nothing here, the SyncServer will use the default, 0:01:04 seconds.

*Maximum Poll Interval* - Indicate in seconds the largest measure of time in which you want the SyncServer to check the network hosts' time. If you enter nothing here, the SyncServer will use the default, 0:17:04 seconds.

*Time to Live* - Data in the Internet Protocol that specifies how many more hops a packet can travel before being discarded or returned, here entered in the form of whole numbers.


*Version* - These are Default, 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Clicking **Reset** clears the data you've just entered.

Clicking **Add and Restart NTP** adds the data you've just entered and restarts NTP.

When you are finished with the addition of any new clients, they will display in the [NTP Relationships](#) panel at the top of the screen.

### NTP Dialup



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "SyncServer™ S100". The address bar shows "robbie • Fri Jun 28 11:01:38 EDT 2002". The main content area is titled "NTP Dialup" and contains a table with two columns: "Parameter" and "Value". The table has one row for "Modem Phone Number" with an empty text input field. Below the table, there are two buttons: "Reset" and "Submit and Restart NTP".

Parameter	Value
Modem Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

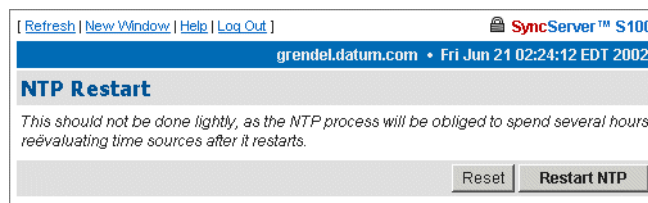
NIST Colorado: 3034944774  
Hawaii: 8083354721

Figure 3-6: NTP Dialup

In this dialog, type in or paste in your **modem phone number**.

Then click **Submit**.

### NTP Restart




The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "SyncServer™ S100". The address bar shows "grendel.datum.com • Fri Jun 21 02:24:12 EDT 2002". The main content area is titled "NTP Restart" and contains a warning message: "This should not be done lightly, as the NTP process will be obliged to spend several hours reevaluating time sources after it restarts." Below the warning, there are two buttons: "Reset" and "Restart NTP".

This should not be done lightly, as the NTP process will be obliged to spend several hours reevaluating time sources after it restarts.

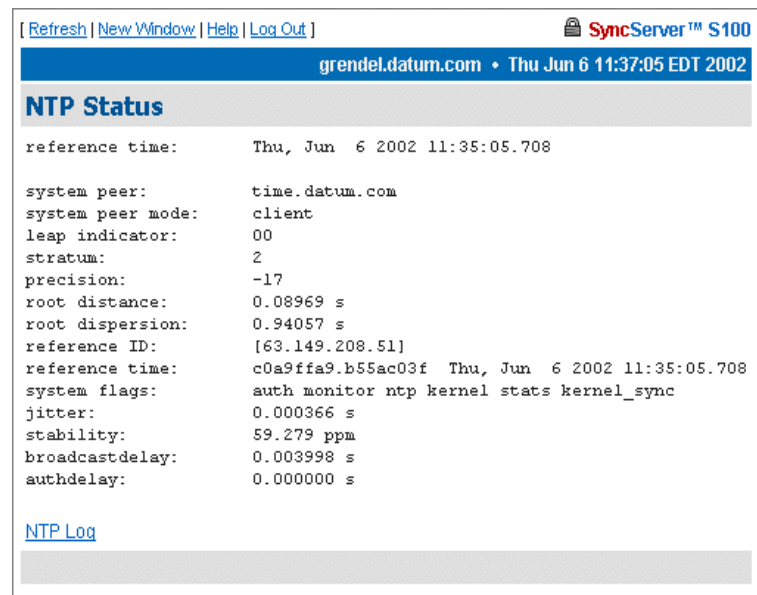
Figure 3-7: Restart NTP Here

Here, you can restart the NTP daemon, for troubleshooting purposes only.

Please note the following warning:

	<p><b>Warning!</b></p> <p>It can take NTP a significant period of time to go through its processes. If you choose to restart, you will be required to reset your time source.</p>
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## NTP Status



[ Refresh | New Window | Help | Log Out ] SyncServer™ S100

grendel.datum.com • Thu Jun 6 11:37:05 EDT 2002

### NTP Status

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reference time:      Thu, Jun  6 2002 11:35:05.708

system peer:        time.datum.com
system peer mode:    client
leap indicator:      00
stratum:            2
precision:          -17
root distance:       0.08969 s
root dispersion:     0.94057 s
reference ID:        [63.149.208.51]
reference time:      c0a9ffa9.b55ac03f Thu, Jun  6 2002 11:35:05.708
system flags:        auth monitor ntp kernel stats kernel_sync
jitter:              0.000366 s
stability:           59.279 ppm
broadcastdelay:      0.003998 s
authdelay:           0.000000 s

```

[NTP Log](#)

**Figure 3-8:** Snapshot of NTP Status

This screen gives you the following information:

*Reference Time* - This is the last time it synced.

*System Peer* - This tells you which NTP server your S100 is synced to.

*System Peer Mode* - This tells you what your SyncServer is—client or otherwise—to the NTP server it is synced to.

*Leap Indicator* - This is a two-bit code warning of an impending leap second. The numbers mean:

00 = no warning

01 = the last minute has 61 seconds

10 = the last minute has 59 seconds

11 = alarm condition (clock not synchronized)

*Stratum* - This is the stratum level of your S100.

*Precision* - This is an eight-bit signed integer indicating the precision of the local clock, in seconds to the nearest power of two. The range is -6 to -18.

*Root Distance*, or *root delay* - This is a signed fixed-point number indicating the total roundtrip delay to the primary reference source at the root of the synchronization subnet, in seconds. It can be expressed as either a positive or negative number.

*Root Dispersion* - A 32-bit unsigned fixed point number indicating the maximum error relative to the primary reference source, in seconds (milliseconds).

*Reference ID* - A 4-byte code indicating the reference source. If the reference source is stratum 0, this string will identify the type of source (GPS or dial-up, for example). If the source is stratum 1 or higher, this 4-byte code will contain the IP address of the reference source.

*Reference Time* - The local time at which the local clock was last set or corrected, in a 64-bit time-stamp format.

*System Flags* - These are various flags which can be enabled or disabled through the configuration commands.

*Jitter* - Distortion of a signal caused by some weakness in synchronization, here shown in seconds (milliseconds).

*Stability* - This is the residual frequency error remaining after the system frequency correction is applied. Used most often in maintenance, the value starts as high as 500 ppm but settles into the .01 to 0.1 ppm range.

*Broadcastdelay* - This shows the default broadcast delay.

*authdelay* - This is the default authentication delay.

### NTP Time Source Test

The *NTP Server Test* dialog lets you test the servers you designated in the [NTP Relationships](#) dialog, above.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `grendel.datum.com` and the date `Mon Jun 24 11:06:26 EDT 2002`. The page title is **NTP Server Test**. It features a table with two columns: **Parameter** and **Value**. Under the **Host** parameter, there are two radio buttons: **Known Hosts** (selected) and **Other**. The **Known Hosts** option has a dropdown menu showing `All`. The **Other** option has an empty text input field. Under the **Options** parameter, there is a checkbox for **Verbose Output** which is currently unchecked. At the bottom right, there are **Reset** and **Submit** buttons.

Parameter	Value
Host	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Known Hosts <code>All</code> <input type="radio"/> Other <input type="text"/>
Options	<input type="checkbox"/> Verbose Output

**Figure 3-9:** Testing the NTP Time Source

*Host -*

- All
- 127.127.40.0
- 127.127.18.3
- Dialup
- localhost

*Options -* Use the checkbox to enable **Verbose Output**, which will give you details.

## NTP Advanced Configuration

Here you will find advanced configuration features of NTP. You probably won't need to access these, but they are here if you need to edit the configuration.

### Advanced: ntp.conf

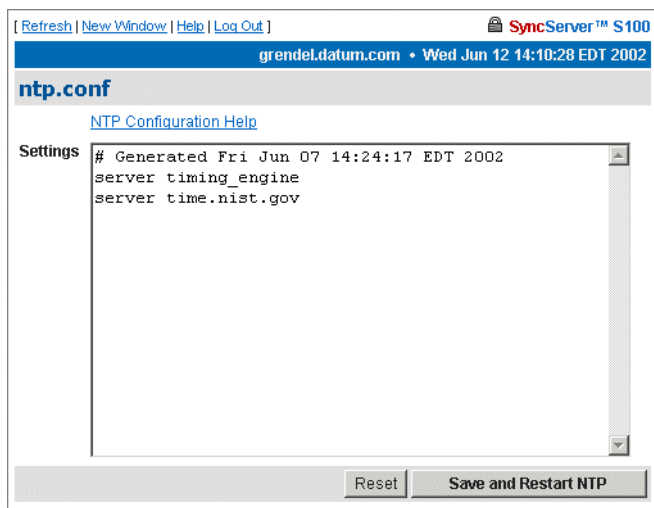


Figure 3-10: Viewing the NTP Configuration File

This dialog is only for those with advanced knowledge of NTP.

The dialog displays the NTP configuration file. It allows you to edit the config text file.

If you need help with the NTP config file, click on the **NTP Configuration Help** link near the top of the screen, and you will be directed to NTP Help. Or, use the resources at [www.ntp.org](http://www.ntp.org).

	<p><b>Warning!</b></p> <p>If you improperly configure the ntp.conf, you will render the SyncServer unable to sync to any time source. Be certain you know NTP well enough to do this.</p>
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### Advanced: Keys/Certificates

Use this *NTP Keys/Certificates* dialog to obtain a digital certificate that verifies the identity of the SyncServer S100.

**Figure 3-11:** Obtaining and Generating Keys and Certificates

Work from top to bottom:

*Generate Keys* - Select the key algorithm and hash algorithm you wish to use:

- RSA + MD5
- RSA + SHA1
- DSA + SHA1

DSA + SHA1 is the default.

Then click **Generate**.

The screen refreshes and a “keys generated” message displays in the upper left corner.

Next to the *Certificate Request* field, click **Request** to issue a certificate request. A confirmation dialog will prompt you to tell the system where you want the certificate; respond to the prompt.

If you choose *Upload Certificate*, browse to the certificate request, as sent to you by the certificate authority, or type in its name. Then click **Upload**.

You can choose, instead, *Paste Certificate*, which does the same thing as *Upload Certificate*. First use Notepad or other editor to open the `certreq.jsp` file, then copy the contents. These should be base 64 encoded. Paste the contents in the field here, then click **Submit**.

The SyncServer is self-signed, thus it can verify your certificate.

For more about how SyncServer uses NTP keys and certificates, see Chapter 1, [SyncServer and NTPv4's Security Features](#).

## Timing Engine

This section of the interface lets you view various aspects of the Datum bc635/637 PCI board, which is the timing engine of your SyncServer S100.

### Main Settings

Parameter	Value
Timing Engine Mode	GPS
<b>Time Settings</b>	
Mode	GPS
Time Format	Binary
Year	2002
Local Offset	0.0
Propagation Delay	0
Current Leap Seconds	13
Scheduled Leap Event Time	1069977600
Scheduled Leap Event Flag	Insertion
GPS Time Format	UTC Format
IEEE Daylight Savings Flag	Enable

**Figure 3-12:** Timing Engine Main Settings

The timing engine mode choices you see in the drop-down list box are:

- **GPS** is the default, which obtains time via the Global Positioning System antenna
- **IRIG**
- **Free Running** means there is no external timing source used, that the time is set manually
- One Pulse Per Second, or **1PPS**, syncs the oscillator to a user-supplied 1PPS
- Real-Time Clock, or **RTC**, synchronizes the oscillator to the 1PPS signal from the timing engine itself

*Mode* - How time is being acquired.

*Time Format* - The timing engine uses Binary code time.

*Year* - Set the year here.

*Local Offset* - Allowed values are -16 through +16, and can include half-hour offsets.

*Propagation Delay* - If there is any propagation delay from the reference source, the timing engine will adjust for it. Values range from -9999999 to +9999999.

*Current Leap Seconds* - This figure accounts for the local offset.

*Scheduled Leap Event Time* - This is a 32-bit binary value corresponding to the number of seconds elapsed since 0 hour January 1, 1970 UTC.

*Scheduled Leap Event Flag* - This will alert you to an upcoming leap event.

*GPS Time Format* - UTC is the default.

*IEEE Daylight Savings Flag* - This alerts you to an upcoming Daylight Savings Time event.

## Timecode Settings

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `grendel.datum.com` and the page title `Timing Engine Timecode Settings`. The interface includes a navigation bar with links for `Refresh`, `New Window`, `Help`, and `Log Out`. The main content area has a table with two columns: `Parameter` and `Value`. The `Code Type` parameter is set to `IRIG B` and the `Modulation Type` is set to `AM`. Below this, there is a section titled `Time Code Settings` with the following values: `Time Code` is `IRIG B`, `Code Modulation` is `AM`, `Time Code Out` is `IRIG B`, and `Generator Time Offset` is `0.0`. At the bottom right of the form are `Reset` and `Submit` buttons.

**Figure 3-13:** Timecode Settings

Code type choices in the drop-down list box are:

- IRIG A
- IRIG B
- IEEE 1344
- NASA 36

*Code Type* - This identifies the time code in setting.

*Modulation Type* - The type associated with the time code signal:

- **AM**, for amplitude modulated
- **DC**, for direct current level shift, or digital IRIG

The default modulation envelope is AM.

*Time Code Settings* - This confirms the settings:

- Time Code = The time code *in* setting
- Code Modulation = The modulation type associated with the time code signal
- Time Code Out = The time code *out* setting

- Generator Time Offset = This shows any offset to the time code signal being produced by the timing engine.

Clicking **Reset** lets you clear any data you've entered, and **Submit** implements changes you have made.

## GPS Information

These next few items give details on GPS activity:

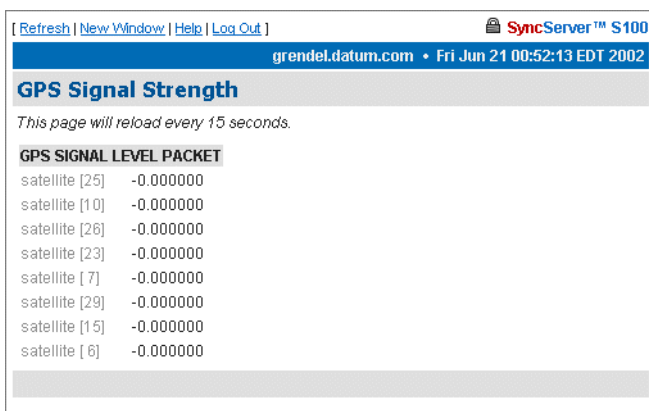
### GPS Health



**Figure 3-14:** GPS Health Status

This screen updates the signal status. This example shows a normal screen.

### GPS Signal Strength



**Figure 3-15:** GPS Signal Strength

Here, the signal strength and position are displayed.

The data is for the satellites that are currently being tracked:

- The satellite number
- The db level for each satellite



## GPS Time

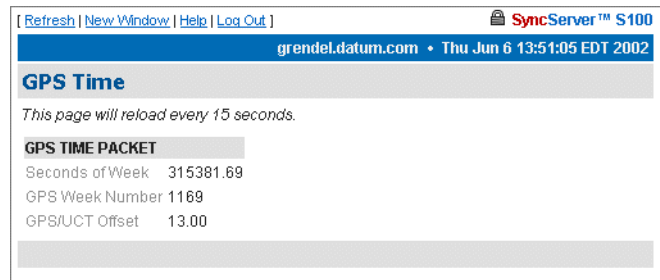


Figure 3-16: GPS Time

GPS time is noted here.

*Seconds of Week* - This is expressed in the number of seconds since January 6, 1980 (GPS Week).

*GPS Week Number* - This is expressed in the number of weeks since January 6, 1980.

*GPS/UTC Offset* - Currently this is 13 seconds.

## GPS Position

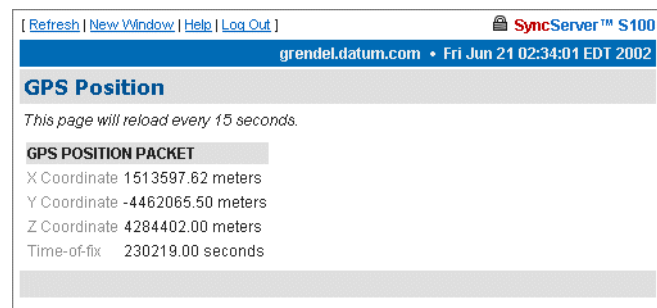


Figure 3-17: GPS Position

This screen shows you where the satellites are.

*X Coordinate* = Latitude

*Y Coordinate* = Longitude

*Z Coordinate* = Altitude

*Time-of-fix* = Time

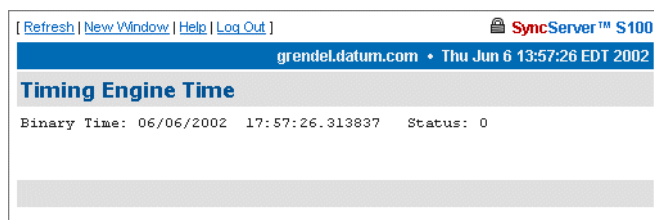
For more about GPS position, see Chapter 1, [SyncServer and the Global Positioning System](#).

### Other Information

The following screens give additional information about your SyncServer.

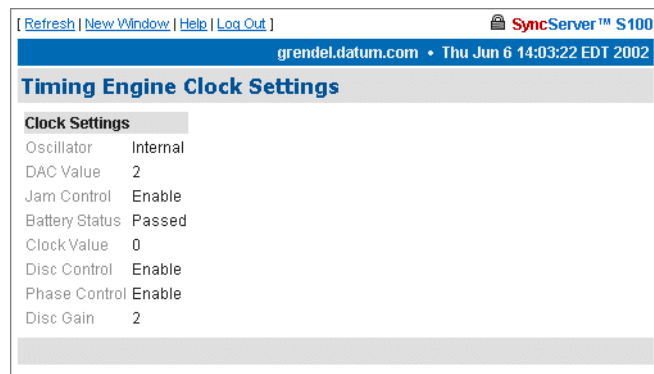
### Engine Time

The engine time is expressed in binary time.



**Figure 3-18:** Timing Engine Time

### Clock Settings



**Figure 3-19:** Clock Settings

The clock settings here are:

*Oscillator* - This is *internal* to the timing engine.

*DAC Value* - A 16-bit Digital Analog Converter is used to set the frequency on the oscillator. The value here shows a rate match between the hardware clock frequency and the selected time reference source.

*Jam Control* - “Jam” refers to *jam synchronization*. This controls whether or not the software may “jam” the clock circuitry if a phase discontinuity of greater than 1 millisecond is found.

*Battery Status* - The timing engine’s battery status is noted here.

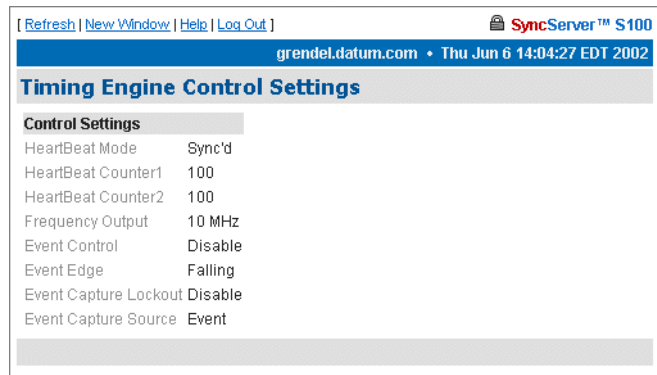
*Clock Value* - This register shows the number of 100ns steps needed to advance or slow down the phase of the local clock circuit.

*Disc Control* - Short for *disciplining control*, this disciplining function is the part of the software which matches the local clock phase and frequency with the selected time reference function.

*Phase Control* - Short for *local clock phase shifting*, this function shows if the software is shifting the one-second rollover point of the local hardware clock by a specified amount.

*Disc Gain* - Short for *oscillator disciplining function gain value*, this is a scalar value which sets the gain for the Kalman filter so it can discipline the local oscillator to the selected time reference.

## Control Settings



**Figure 3-20:** Control Settings

*HeartBeat Mode* - The *heartbeat* is the specified frequency.

*HeartBeat Counter1* and *2* - These are internal counters to the timing engine.

*Frequency Output* - The available frequencies are 1, 5, and 10 MHz.

*Event Control* - This setting enables or disables the ability of the internal clock to capture the time at which an external event occurs.

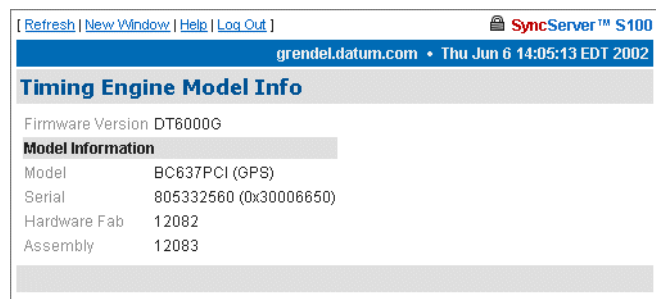
*Event Edge* - This is either the *rising* or *falling* edge of the heartbeat signal.

*Event Capture Lockout* - If enabled, the capture lockout can be used to control whether or not subsequent signals will overwrite the data in the timing engine's event time registers.

*Event Capture Source* - This setting controls the source of the external event—an external event input or strobe, for example.

### Model Info

Here you see some basic data about the bc635/637 PCI board, the timing engine of your S100.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [grendel.datum.com](http://grendel.datum.com) and the date/time Thu Jun 6 14:05:13 EDT 2002. The page title is "Timing Engine Model Info". Below the title, the firmware version is listed as DT6000G. A section titled "Model Information" contains a table with the following data:

Model	BC637PCI (GPS)
Serial	805332560 (0x30006650)
Hardware Fab	12082
Assembly	12083

**Figure 3-21:** Model Info

## Networking

Use these dialogs to configure several parameters of your SyncServer on your network.

### Networking: TCP/IP

The screenshot displays the 'TCP/IP Configuration' dialog for a SyncServer S100. The interface includes a header with navigation links and a status bar showing the server name and date. The configuration parameters are as follows:

Parameter	Value
Network Interface	eth0
DHCP	<input type="radio"/> Enable
Static IP	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable
IP Address	172.16.32.24
Subnet Mask	255.255.252.0
On Boot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable
Hostname	grendel.datum.com
IP Forwarding	<input type="checkbox"/> Enable
Default Gateway	172.16.32.1
Local Domain	
Search Domains	
DNS Nameservers	204.117.214.10 199.2.252.10 204.97.212.10

At the bottom, there are 'Reset' and 'Update/Reboot' buttons, along with a note: 'Rebooting will take a few minutes.'

**Figure 3-22:** Configuring TCP/IP

This dialog enables you to define these parameters:

*Network Interface* - Here, choose which Ethernet port you are using. If there is only one interface, use **eth0**, the default. A **local loopback** refers to a loopback plug inserted in one of the ports; a signal is transmitted and returned to the sending device and the returned signal is compared with the transmitted signal in order to evaluate the integrity of the equipment or transmission path.

*DHCP* - This is the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol, which assigns an IP address to each node in a network. Here, the default is *Enable*.

*Static IP* - Click the radio button to *Enable*, then enter the SyncServer's IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway.

The setting for *On Boot* is defaulted to *Enable*. Uncheck this box if you do not want the IP address when you reboot.

*Local Domain* - This is your local domain name.

*Search Domains* - The system will search these domains—which usually include your local domain as well as others—so it can resolve any unresolved host names that may be missing the host, local, or top level portion of the name.

*Hostname* - Enter the SyncServer's name here.

*IP Forwarding* - You can redirect data from one IP address to another by checking *Enable* here.

*DNS Nameservers* - These are the DNS servers on the network.

*Reset* - Click this button to return to the previous settings.

*Update/Reboot* - Click this button to reboot the server, but first, please note the warning:

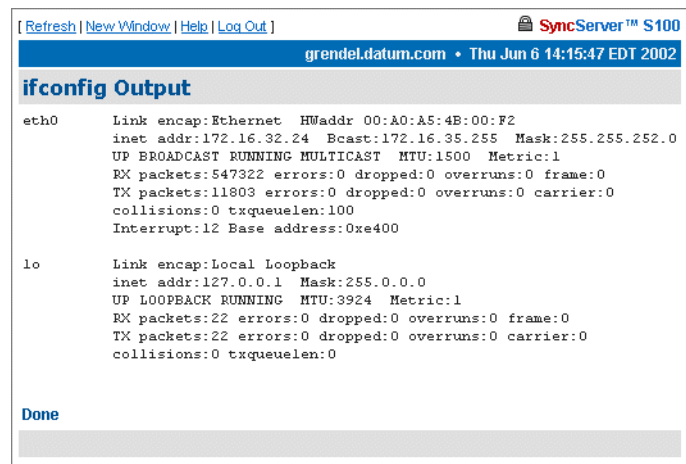
**Warning**

If you click **Update/Reboot**, you will reboot the server, and will need to reacquire time. Be certain you want to do this.

If you choose to do this, a confirmation message will display at the top of this screen.

## Networking: ifconfig Output

This screen gives you information about the network configuration of your SyncServer. It lets you troubleshoot network problems.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `grendel.datum.com` and the date `Thu Jun 6 14:15:47 EDT 2002`. The page title is `SyncServer™ S100`. The main content area is titled `ifconfig Output` and displays the following information:

```
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:A0:A5:4B:00:F2
          inet addr:172.16.32.24  Bcast:172.16.35.255  Mask:255.255.252.0
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
          RX packets:547322 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:11803 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:100
          Interrupt:12 Base address:0xe400

lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:3924  Metric:1
          RX packets:22 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:22 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
```

At the bottom of the output area, there is a `Done` button.

**Figure 3-23:** Configuration Information

## Networking: Ping

[ Refresh | New Window | Help | Log Out ] SyncServer™ S100  
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### Ping

Parameter	Value
Host	telegram.com
Wait Time	0 seconds
Ping Count	4
Options	<input type="checkbox"/> Route <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet <input type="checkbox"/> Allow Ping of Broadcast Address

Please remember that this may take up to a few minutes to complete.

Reset ping

```

PING telegram.com (209.97.63.243) from 172.16.32.24 : 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from vh80008.vh8.infi.net (209.97.63.243): icmp_seq=0 ttl=242 time=37.756 msec
64 bytes from vh80008.vh8.infi.net (209.97.63.243): icmp_seq=1 ttl=242 time=35.157 msec
64 bytes from vh80008.vh8.infi.net (209.97.63.243): icmp_seq=2 ttl=242 time=35.168 msec
64 bytes from vh80008.vh8.infi.net (209.97.63.243): icmp_seq=3 ttl=242 time=35.501 msec

--- telegram.com ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max/mdev = 35.157/35.895/37.756/1.099 ms
  
```

Done

Figure 3-24: Pinging the Remote Host

Use the ping command to test the network route between the SyncServer and a remote host.

This is a diagnostic tool that confirms that all is well between the two devices.

This dialog lets you define these parameters:

*Host* - URL of the remote host

*Wait time* - Response time between pings

*Ping count* - Try to ping this number of times before quitting

*Options* -

- **Route:** Gives detailed information about the route followed between two hosts
- **Quiet:** No output until done
- **Allow Ping of Broadcast Address:** Lets you ping broadcast addresses so all machines in a broadcast group can respond



## Networking: Traceroute

The screenshot shows the 'Traceroute' section of the SyncServer S100 web interface. The 'Host' field is set to 'telegram.com', 'Source Network Interface' is 'eth0', 'Response Wait Timeout' is '5', and 'Base UDP Port' is '33434'. The 'Options' section has 'Skip Name Lookup' unchecked. Below the form, a message states: 'Please remember that this may take up to a few minutes to complete.' There are 'Reset' and 'traceroute' buttons. The traceroute results are displayed as a list of hops, each showing the IP address, host name, and round-trip times in milliseconds.

Parameter	Value
Host	telegram.com
Source Network Interface	eth0
Response Wait Timeout	5
Base UDP Port	33434 (default 33434)
Options	<input type="checkbox"/> Skip Name Lookup

Please remember that this may take up to a few minutes to complete.

Reset traceroute

```

1 205.162.170.65 (205.162.170.65) 2.344 ms 2.397 ms 2.408 ms
traceroute to telegram.com (209.97.63.243), 30 hops max, 38 byte packets
2  s1-gw1-spr-6-1-0-TS21.sprintlink.net (160.81.252.49) 20.053 ms 6.466 ms 6.453 ms
3  s1-bb20-spr-2-0.sprintlink.net (144.232.21.33) 6.466 ms 6.454 ms 6.409 ms
4  s1-bb20-chi-11-1.sprintlink.net (144.232.9.246) 25.173 ms 54.959 ms 50.946 ms
5  s1-bb22-chi-14-0.sprintlink.net (144.232.26.6) 23.940 ms 23.398 ms 23.782 ms
6  144.232.9.50 (144.232.9.50) 23.510 ms 23.427 ms 23.449 ms
7  agr3-loopback.Chicago.cv.net (208.172.2.103) 23.915 ms 23.694 ms 23.811 ms
8  dcr1-so-0-2-0.Chicago.cv.net (208.175.10.9) 24.196 ms 24.327 ms 24.070 ms
9  208.175.10.82 (208.175.10.82) 25.091 ms 24.836 ms 24.858 ms
10 bbr01-g3-0-okhr01.exodus.net (216.34.183.65) 24.307 ms 24.421 ms 24.322 ms
11 bbr01-p8-0.whkm01.exodus.net (216.32.132.54) 28.400 ms 28.057 ms 28.126 ms
12 bbr02-g5-0.whkm01.exodus.net (216.35.65.84) 28.202 ms 29.119 ms 28.096 ms
13 bbr01-p1-0.stng02.exodus.net (216.32.132.193) 34.764 ms * 34.450 ms
14 bbr01-p6-0.stng01.exodus.net (209.1.169.197) 34.268 ms 34.185 ms 34.273 ms
15 dcr03-g9-0.stng01.exodus.net (216.33.96.145) 34.242 ms 34.250 ms 34.366 ms
16 csr04-ve240.stng01.exodus.net (216.33.98.203) 34.270 ms 34.496 ms 34.333 ms
17 216.33.104.37 (216.33.104.37) 35.041 ms * 34.796 ms
18 vh80008.vh8.infi.net (209.97.63.243) 35.314 ms 35.685 ms 34.514 ms

```

Done

**Figure 3-25:** Seeing the Traceroute

Traceroute shows you the network route between the SyncServer and a remote host. Use it as a diagnostic tool.

This dialog lets you determine these parameters:

*Host* - Remote server's IP address

*Source Network Interface* - SyncServer has two Ethernet cards, 0 (zero, left) and 1 (right). The default is **eth0**, as you see here.

*Response Wait Timeout* - This is how long the SyncServer should wait for a host respond.

*Base UDP Port* - This refers to the User Datagram Protocol port number. The default is port 33434.

*Options* -

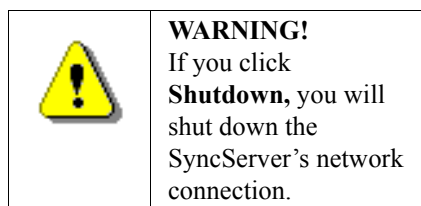
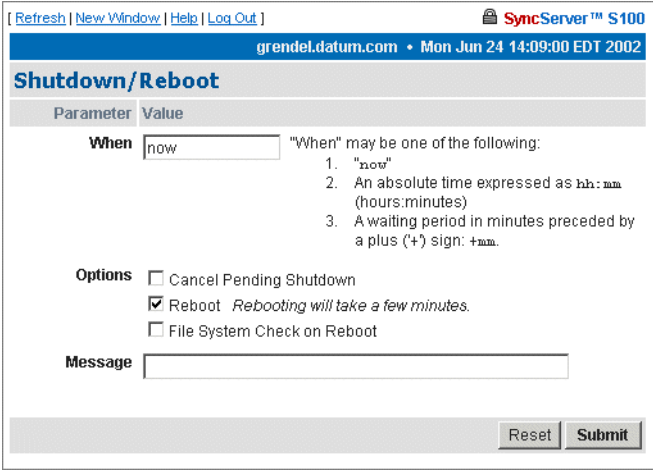
- **Skip Name Lookup:** If you check this, SyncServer will not take the time to look up the host names of the intermediate hosts along the path.

## Administration

Here, configure non-NTP features of SyncServer.  
You can also shut down or restart the SyncServer.

### Administration: Shutdown/Reboot

This option shuts down the network connection.

The screenshot shows the 'Shutdown/Reboot' page of the SyncServer S100 web interface. At the top, there are links for 'Refresh', 'New Window', 'Help', and 'Log Out'. The page title is 'Shutdown/Reboot' and the URL is 'grendel.datum.com'. Below the title is a table with two columns: 'Parameter' and 'Value'. The 'When' parameter has a value of 'now'. To the right of the 'When' field, there is a list of options for the 'When' parameter: 1. 'now', 2. An absolute time expressed as hh:mm (hours:minutes), and 3. A waiting period in minutes preceded by a plus (+) sign: +mm. Below the 'When' field, there are three checkboxes under the 'Options' section: 'Cancel Pending Shutdown' (unchecked), 'Reboot' (checked), and 'File System Check on Reboot' (unchecked). The 'Reboot' option has a note: 'Rebooting will take a few minutes.' Below the 'Options' section, there is a 'Message' field. At the bottom right, there are 'Reset' and 'Submit' buttons.

**Figure 3-26:** Shutdown/Reboot

*When* - Using a 24-hour clock, enter the time here.

*Options* - These are:

- **Cancel Pending Shutdown:** Lets you cancel a shutdown
- **Reboot:** The default setting. Useful if you need to shut down and restart the hardware and software. This is very handy if the SyncServer is remote.
- **File System Check on Reboot:** Here the system checks for errors, lost clusters, and other problems.

**Message** - Here, enter a message that would be sent only to someone who might be logged in via Secure Shell.

**Reset** - Click here to clear the data you have entered.

**Submit** - Clicking here disconnects the server from the network.

### Administration: Admin Users

Use this dialog to change, delete, or add a user.

[ Refresh | New Window | Help | Log Out ] SyncServer™ S100  
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### Users

Remove	Name	Change Password (Optional)
	admin	<input type="text"/> Retype: <input type="text"/>

**Add User**

Name

Password


Retype Password

Restarting the web-based management interface will take a minute or two.

**Figure 3-27:** Changing or Adding Users

### Administration: Restart Web Interface

This page lets you do a clean restart of the web server.

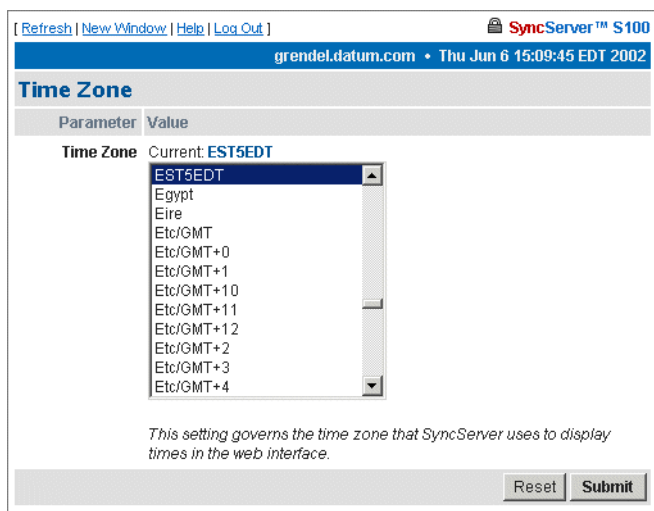
	<p><b>WARNING</b></p> <p>If you click <b>Restart</b>, you will shut down the webserver, then it will restart. This will take a minute or two to complete.</p>
---	---



**Figure 3-28:** Server Restart option

The restart affects only the management of the system, not the time or service.

### Administration: Time Zone



**Figure 3-29:** Setting the Time Zone

Use this option to set the time zone displayed in the web-based admin interface.

**NOTE:** The time zone is for display purposes only. It will not affect NTP, the output, or clients.

**Highlight** the time zone you want, then click **Submit** to set the time zone.

## Administration: Alarms

Parameter	Value
Email Address	unferth@datum.com
Mail Forwarder	mail.digitaldelivery.com
Issue Alarms...	<input type="checkbox"/> On Boot After flywheeling for 180 seconds (>= 60) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Configuration Change

**Figure 3-30:** Setting Alarm Parameters

*E-mail Address* - This e-mail address is where any alarm messages will be sent.

*Mail forwarder* - The server that will handle the e-mail.

*Issue Alarms* - Here, check when you want alarms sent:

- Upon boot, and if **Flywheeling** continues for more than 60 seconds. If you check here for this alarm, it will tell you that the system has lost contact with its source of time but will keep going for some period.
- If there has been a **Configuration Change**, you can check here for an alarm to be sent.

**Reset** lets you clear the entered data, and **Submit** tells the system you are finished.

## Config Wizard

The next item on the Admin menu is the Config Wizard. This helps you select and configure your time reference.

Step-by-step Config Wizard instructions are in Chapter 2, [The Config Wizard](#).

## Logs

You can access the **NTP**, **Boot**, **Mail**, and **Servlet** logs through either the admin menu or in the drop-down list box in the Logs parameter.

All the logs have these parameters and values:

*Logs* - This drop-down list box lets you access other logs from this screen.

The size of the log you choose will be displayed beneath the drop-down box.

*Filter* -

- **No filter:** Will show you all logs
- **Display only the last \_\_ lines:** Useful for avoiding screen clutter
- **Search:** Search feature allows you to see what has happened on any given day.

Checking the **case-blind** option lets you ignore case in your search.

Checking the **line numbers** option lets you base the search on log line numbers.

Choosing **regular expression** allows for pattern matching in your search.

*Prune* -

**Remove all but the last \_\_ lines:** Lets you pare down the log after you have viewed it.

NTP Log

Use this log to see NTP activity.

[Refresh](#) | [New Window](#) | [Help](#) | [Log Out](#)

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NTP Log

Parameter	Value
Logs	<div>NTP Log</div> <div>/etc/ntp.log is 7.262k in size.</div>
Filter	<div><div><input checked="" type="radio"/> No filter</div><div><input type="radio"/> Display only the last <div>10</div> lines.</div><div><input type="radio"/> Search<div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Case-blind</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Line numbers</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Regular expression</div></div><div>Search string: <div></div></div></div></div>
Prune	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Remove all but the last <div>10</div> lines.</div>

Reset

Submit

[tail /etc/ntp.log -n 10](#)

29 May 22:59:00 ntpd[8469]: signal\_no\_reset: signal 13 had flags 4000000  
29 May 22:59:00 ntpd[8469]: precision = 41 usec  
29 May 22:59:00 ntpd[8469]: kernel time discipline status 0040  
29 May 22:59:00 ntpd[8469]: frequency initialized 30.449 from /etc/ntp.drift  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: logging to file /etc/ntp.log  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: ntpd 4.1.0-a Wed Apr 3 15:13:32 PST 2002 (65)  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: signal\_no\_reset: signal 13 had flags 4000000  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: precision = 18 usec  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: kernel time discipline status 0040  
29 May 23:02:01 ntpd[8529]: frequency initialized 30.449 from /etc/ntp.drift

[Done](#)

Figure 3-31: NTP Log

### Boot Log

Use this log to see what has happened, if anything, since your last boot.

Here you can see the whole process, helpful when you want to find the cause of a problem.

Refresh | New Window | Help | Log Out | SyncServer™ S100

grendel.datum.com • Thu Jun 6 15:19:07 EDT 2002

### Boot Log

Parameter	Value
Logs	Boot Log

/var/log/boot.log is 22.723k in size.

Filter ☒ No filter

☐ Display only the last  lines.

☐ Search

☐ Case-blind ☐ Line numbers ☐ Regular expression

Search string:

Prune ☐ Remove all but the last  lines.

Reset Submit

```

Jun  3 23:16:55 grendel rhnsd: rhnsd shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:56 grendel xfs: xfs shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:56 grendel sshd: sshd shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:57 grendel sendmail: sendmail shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:57 grendel xinetd: xinetd shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:57 grendel atd: atd shutdown succeeded
Jun  3 23:16:57 grendel crond: crond shutdown succeeded

```

Done

**Figure 3-32: Boot Log**



## Mail Log

Use this log to monitor mail activity on the system.

[\[ Refresh \]](#)
[\[ New Window \]](#)
[\[ Help \]](#)
[\[ Log Out \]](#)

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### Mail Log

Parameter	Value
Logs	Mail Log

/var/log/maillog is 1.326k in size.

Filter ☒ No filter

☐ Display only the last  lines.

☐ Search

☐ Case-blind ☐ Line numbers ☐ Regular expression

Search string:

Prune ☐ Remove all but the last  lines.

```

Jun  3 23:18:23 grendel sendmail(700): alias database /etc/aliases rebuilt by root
Jun  3 23:18:23 grendel sendmail(700): /etc/aliases: 38 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 377 bytes total
Jun  3 23:18:24 grendel sendmail(715): starting daemon (8.11.0): SMTP+queueing801:00:00
Jun  3 23:20:09 grendel sendmail(699): alias database /etc/aliases rebuilt by root
Jun  3 23:20:09 grendel sendmail(699): /etc/aliases: 38 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 377 bytes total
Jun  3 23:20:10 grendel sendmail(714): starting daemon (8.11.0): SMTP+queueing801:00:00
Jun  3 23:24:45 grendel sendmail(641): alias database /etc/aliases rebuilt by root
Jun  3 23:24:45 grendel sendmail(641): /etc/aliases: 38 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 377 bytes total
Jun  3 23:24:50 grendel sendmail(656): starting daemon (8.11.0): SMTP+queueing801:00:00
Jun  4 00:40:22 grendel sendmail(641): alias database /etc/aliases rebuilt by root
Jun  4 00:40:22 grendel sendmail(641): /etc/aliases: 38 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 377 bytes total
Jun  4 00:40:23 grendel sendmail(656): starting daemon (8.11.0): SMTP+queueing801:00:00
Jun  4 01:22:06 grendel sendmail(641): alias database /etc/aliases rebuilt by root
Jun  4 01:22:06 grendel sendmail(641): /etc/aliases: 38 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 377 bytes total
Jun  4 01:22:06 grendel sendmail(656): starting daemon (8.11.0): SMTP+queueing801:00:00

```

Done

Figure 3-33: Mail Log

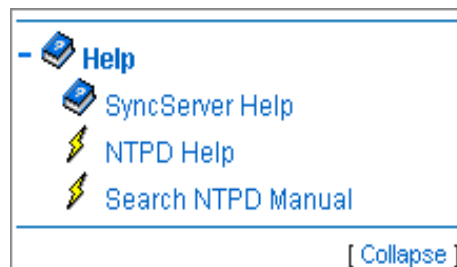
### Servlet Log

This log shows you activity of the Tomcat Java webserver.

The screenshot shows the 'Servlet Log' interface within the SyncServer S100 application. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Refresh', 'New Window', 'Help', and 'Log Out'. The main header displays 'grendel.datum.com' and the date 'Thu Jun 6 15:51:44 EDT 2002'. Below the header, the title 'Servlet Log' is prominently displayed. A table with two columns, 'Parameter' and 'Value', is present. Under the 'Logs' section, a dropdown menu is set to 'Servlet Log', and a message states: '/usr/local/bin/jakarta-tomcat-3.2.3/logs/servlet.log is 0.0k in size.' The 'Filter' section includes three radio buttons: 'No filter' (selected), 'Display only the last 10 lines.' (with a text input for '10'), and 'Search'. The 'Search' option has three checkboxes: 'Case-blind', 'Line numbers', and 'Regular expression', along with a 'Search string:' text input field. The 'Prune' section has a checkbox for 'Remove all but the last 10 lines.' (with a text input for '10'). At the bottom right of the form are 'Reset' and 'Submit' buttons. A 'Done' link is located at the bottom left of the interface.

**Figure 3-34:** Servlet Log

## Help



**Figure 3-35:** Help Options

This is the last section of the SyncServer admin menu. Available **Help** functions are:

### **SyncServer Help**

This is the application Help. Use the Table of Contents, Index, or Search to find information.

### **NTPD Help**

For detailed information about NTP, click here. This links you to NTP documentation, embedded here for your convenience.

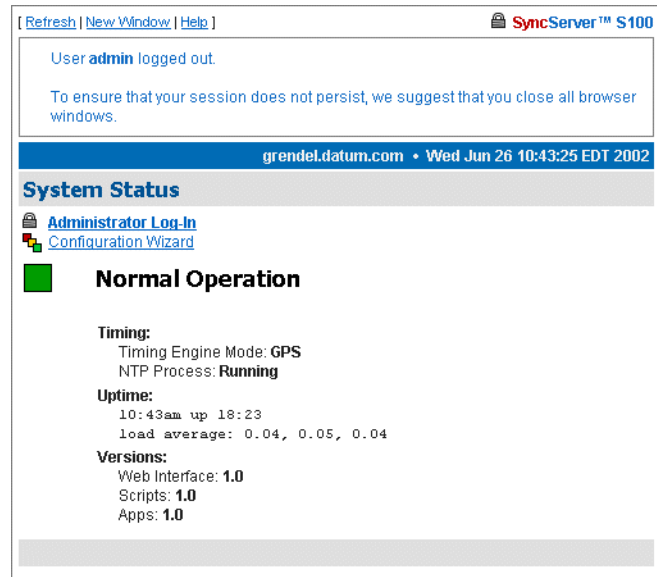
### **Search NTPD Manual**

This option gives you the ability to do basic searches within the NTPD Help.

### **Collapse Button**

Click the *Collapse* button at the bottom right of the admin menu to reduce the menu down to its main elements.

## Logging Off



**Figure 3-36** Log Out screen

Log off by clicking **Log Out**, at the top of each screen within the interface.

You will see the *System Status* screen with some prompts. At this point, you can choose among these options:

- Log back in
- Go to the Config Wizard, which will require you to log back in but will then take you directly to the wizard
- Continue the logoff by closing your browser

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## Chapter 4

# SyncServer Operations and Time-Related Protocols

### Overview

This section reviews the basic SyncServer operations, and time protocols used.

### SyncServer: Operations and Time Protocols

Following are details about the time protocols SyncServer uses.

#### Time Protocol (RFC 868)

This protocol provides a site-independent, machine-readable date and time. The time service on the SyncServer responds to the originating source with the time in seconds since midnight of January 1, 1900. The time is the *number of seconds* since 00:00

(midnight) January 1, 1900 GMT. So the time “1” is 12:00:01 A.M. on January 1, 1900 GMT. This base will serve until the year 2036.

If the server is unable to determine the time, it either refuses the connection or it closes the connection without sending any response.

When used over the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP), the SyncServer listens for a connection on port 37; once the connection is established, the server returns a 32-bit time value and closes the connection. When used over the User Datagram Protocol (UDP), the SyncServer listens for a datagram on port 37. When a datagram arrives, the SyncServer returns a datagram containing the 32-bit time value.

### **Daytime Protocol (RFC 867)**

The Daytime protocol sends the current date and time as a character string without regard to the input.

When used over TCP, the SyncServer listens for a connection on port 13; once a connection is established the current date and time is sent out as an ASCII character string. The service closes the connection after sending the quote.

When used over UDP, the SyncServer listens for a datagram on port 13. SyncServer responds to the UDP request with the current date and time as an ASCII character string.

### **Simple Network Time Protocol (RFC 2030)**

Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP) is a simplified access protocol for servers and clients using NTP as it is now used on the Internet. The access paradigm is identical to the UDP/Time client implementation. SNTP is also designed to operate on a dedicated server configuration, including an integrated radio clock. SNTP uses the standard NTP time stamp format described in RFC 1305 and previous versions of that document. NTP stamps are represented as a 64-bit unsigned, fixed-point number, in seconds relative to 0<sup>h</sup> on January 1, 1900.

### **Network Time Protocol (RFC 1305)**

The Network Time Protocol (NTP) is used to synchronize computer clocks in a TCP/IP computer network. It provides a comprehensive mechanism for accessing national time and frequency distribution services, for organizing the time-synchronization subnet, and for adjusting the local clocks. NTP provides accuracy of 1-10 milliseconds (ms), depending on the jitter characteristics of the synchronization source and network paths. NTP is a client of the User Datagram Protocol (UDP), which itself is a client of the Internet Protocol (IP).

Some definitions follow. For more, see [Time Glossary](#).

### NTP Data Format

The format of the NTP message data area, which immediately follows the UDP header, is shown in Figure 3-2. NTP time stamps are represented as a 64 bit unsigned fixed-point number, in seconds relative to 0<sup>h</sup> on 1 January 1900. The integer portion is in the first 32 bits and the fractional portion is in the last 32 bits.

**Table 4-1: NTP Message Data**

0	8		16		24		31
LI	VN	MODE	Stratum	Poll	Precision		
Synchronizing Distance (Root Distance) (32 bits)							
Synchronizing Dispersion (Root Dispersion) (32 bits)							
Reference Identifier (32 bits)							
Reference Time Stamp (64 bits)							
Originate Time Stamp (64 bits)							
Receive Time Stamp (64 bits)							
Transmit Time Stamp (64 bits)							
Authenticator (Optional) (96 bits)							
Autokey (Optional)(Variable)							

### Leap Indicator (LI)

This is a two-bit code warning of an impending leap second that will be inserted or deleted in the last minute of the current day, with bit 0 and bit 1, respectively, coded as follows:

00:	No warning
01:	Last minute has 61 seconds
10:	Last minute has 59 seconds
11:	Alarm condition (clock not synchronized)

You are alerted to an alarm condition when the SyncServer is first powered on—in other words, before time is initially acquired from the timing signal. An alarm condition will also signal when the timing parameters are changed. This alarm condition will persist until the SyncServer acquires time. It should not signal again until the unit is powered off and on.

**Version Number (VN)**

This is a three-bit integer indicating the NTP version number. The SyncServer will return the version number from the incoming NTP message.

**Mode**

This is a three-bit integer indicating the mode. The SyncServer can be operated in any mode.

**Stratum**

This is an eight-bit integer indicating the stratum level of the local clock. For the SyncServer this field is set to **one** indicating a primary reference, if the SyncServer is relying on its GPS receiver or dial-up modem connection for timing information. Otherwise, it will accurately reflect its location in a timing hierarchy.

**Poll Interval**

This is an eight-bit signed integer indicating the maximum interval between successive messages, in seconds to the nearest power of two. The SyncServer will return the poll interval from the incoming NTP message.

**Precision**

This is an eight-bit signed integer indicating the precision of the local clock, in seconds to the nearest power of two. For the SyncServer this field is set to -19 (minus nineteen) which is the value closest to the 1u sec precision of the SyncServer when operating in GPS mode.

**Synchronizing Distance (Root Distance Version 3)**

This is a 32-bit fixed-point number indicating the estimated round-trip delay to the primary synchronizing source, in seconds with fraction point between bits 15 and 16. Set to zero in the SyncServer for GPS mode and a corresponding value when operating with another time source.

**Synchronizing Dispersion (Root Dispersion Version 3)**

Synchronizing Dispersion is a 32 bit fixed-point number indicating the estimated dispersion to the primary synchronizing source, in seconds. Root Dispersion indicates the maximum error relative to the primary reference source.

**Reference Clock Identifier**

This is a 32-bit code identifying the particular reference clock. In the case of Stratum 1 (primary reference), this is a four-octet, left justified, zero-padded ASCII string. For the SyncServer the four-octet string is dependent on the time source selected, 'GPS' for GPS and 'FREE' for Free Running Clock. If the unit is synchronizing to another SyncServer, the reference clock identifier will contain the four-byte address of the selected SyncServer.



**Reference Timestamp**

This is the local time at which the local clock was last set or corrected, in 64-bit timestamp format. With the SyncServer, the Reference Timestamp is the last time that a valid timing signal was detected. Therefore, the Reference Timestamp will indicate the time at which the timing signal was lost. When the timing signal returns, the Reference Timestamp will be updated.

**Originate Timestamp**

This is the local time at which the request departed the client host for the service host, in 64-bit time stamp format.

**Receive Time stamp**

This is the local time at which the request arrived at the service host, in 64-bit time stamp format.

**Transmit Time stamp**

This is the local time at which the reply departed the service host for the client host, in 64-bit time stamp format.

**Authenticator**

This field is used to hold a checksum if authentication has been enabled. Refer to the next section for more information about this mechanism.

**Autokey**

This field contains various autokey parameter requests and responses if autokey is enabled for the association. These parameters can include signatures, certificates, or other data.

## NTP Authentication

NTP authentication enables an NTP client to ensure two things: that the time stamp received has come from a trusted source, and that it has not been modified in transit. Because Datum has extended the authentication method, you can use it to deny service to unauthorized clients who submit NTP time stamp requests.

The NTP protocol includes space for two variables related to authentication: an authentication key identifier field and a checksum field.

**Authentication: NTP v3**

The NTP client can operate with both non-authenticated and authenticated servers. This approach uses symmetric-key cryptography. Thus, keys and key identifiers are determined in advance and distributed in traditional ways.

The message digest is computed using preferred Message Digest 5 (MD5). An alternative is the Digital Encryption Standard, Cipher Block Chaining (DES-CBC).

The Message Authentication Code (MAC) is made up of a key identifier, then the message digest. Keys are held in a key cache; the cache is initialized from a private file.

### Authentication: NTP v4 Autokey

NTPv4 uses public-key cryptography, meaning all keys are random, and private keys are never revealed. A certificate scheme binds the public key to the server identification. Symmetric-key cryptography uses fixed private keys which must be distributed in advance. The Diffie-Hellman model defines the key agreement, and is required for private random keys.

### Public Domain xNTP Package

For clients not using the public domain xNTP package, the NTP packet is enlarged by 8 bytes to handle the entire cryptochecksum, which is 16 bytes (128 bits) in size as generated by the MD5. Since this field is the last in the packet, it should not present any difficulty.

#### How NTP Defines the Authentication Process

If authentication is enabled, and a valid authentication key identifier and cryptochecksum is received, then the NTP packet is filled in and a new cryptochecksum is computed and added to the packet. The packet is then sent back to the client.

#### More information

For more about NTP authentication, see

[http://www.eecis.udel.edu/~ntp/ntp\\_spool/html/authopt.htm](http://www.eecis.udel.edu/~ntp/ntp_spool/html/authopt.htm).

## ACTS Interface: Dial-up

The Automated Computer Time Service (ACTS) is maintained by the U. S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). More information is in the next section. In most of this guide, the term *dial-up* is used instead.

### ACTS Operation

Use the SyncServer's web-based interface to configure this method of access to time (for info, see Timing Engine, [Main Settings](#)). ACTS provides a backup time service through an ASCII time broadcast, and supports a measured delay mode for enhanced accuracy. This service is based on the use of asynchronous modems attached to the SyncServer S100 at the serial port. It also supports Digital ISDN terminal adapters. And it is designed to coexist with a standard IRIG B time code input.

ACTS is designed to operate in either manual or automatic mode. It operates with analog modems running over POTS, and digital terminal adapters running over ISDN. A nonvolatile initialization string is available to configure almost any type of asynchronous communications device for use with ACTS. Also, ACTS uses software flow control (Xon/Xoff) instead of RTS/CTS hardware flow control.

The SyncServer's ACTS operation includes simultaneous support of both client and server modes. This means the SyncServer can obtain time information from a remote site

through an ACTS client connection while providing server capabilities such as distributing time information to local clients or other SyncServer units.

When services are available, an ACTS client call will not modify the SyncServer clock if the unit is currently decoding a valid time code signal.

The SyncServer will periodically call a remote server to check its time base. Two servers may be specified, in which case the SyncServer will switch to the alternate service in the event the primary service is unavailable. The period for calling is programmable in one-hour intervals with values from 1–99 supported.

### **More Information**

For more about NIST and ACTS:

<http://www.boulder.nist.gov/timefreq/service/acts.htm>



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## Chapter 5

# FAQ and Solutions

### Overview

This section gives information in response to the most-asked user questions about SyncServer, answers common “how to...?” questions, and provides solutions.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **How can we obtain NTP client software to use with SyncServer?**

NTP client software information and configuration details are available from:

- [http://www.datum.com/tt/downloads/datum\\_time.html](http://www.datum.com/tt/downloads/datum_time.html)
- <http://www.ntp.org>

- <http://cs3.ecok.edu:457/NetAdminG/netadminN.about.html>

Client software and configuration information for Unix, Windows, and Novell platforms can be downloaded from these sites.

SNTP client software is included with the SyncServer hardware.

### **What are the main differences between SNTP and NTP clients?**

SNTP is a Simple Network Time Protocol. It is based on RFC 1361/2030: it gets its time from the specified time servers of the machine on which it is installed. This protocol cannot be configured to obtain time from an alternate time server if the primary server is down. This could be called as a short version of NTP client software.

NTP, Network Time Protocol, is based on RFCs 1305 and 1119 which can be configured to obtain and distribute the time on the network. It has a built-in algorithm that calculates the time accurately up to 1-10 milliseconds. The algorithm can be configured to obtain time from an alternate source in case the original time server fails or gets out of synchronization.

### **Is there a way to get GPS time instead of UTC time from the SyncServer?**

The SyncServer normally provides UTC time. However, it can be configured to output GPS time—currently UTC + 13 seconds—by making several hardware changes to the unit. Contact your Datum representative about this.

### **What outputs are available on the SyncServer S100?**

These are:

- Dual Ethernet 10/100BaseT (RJ 45)
- RS-232 Serial Console (DCE)

### **How does the SyncServer handle Leap Second?**

Today's clocks keep pace with one another to within two or three millionths of a second over a year's time. However, the earth on its rotation might randomly accumulate almost a full second in a year. This time is deleted (or added, if needed) as a *leap second* from (or to) the UTC time on the last day of June or December in the affected year. This way, the clocks stay in step with the earth's rotation.

The GPS satellites send notice of an upcoming leap second about two months in advance. The SyncServer receives this notice and, following NTP specifications, starts advising clients 24 hours in advance. At the leap second event, the SyncServer will add or delete the leap second from the transmitted time.

**NOTE:** The SyncServer will do the same to an IEEE 1344 IRIG B signal. However, in the event of a leap second, if the time source is regular IRIG B, dial-up, 1PPS, or Freerun (including ACTS), you must pre-program the leap second event with the command **leap** so that SyncServer can be notified and maintain time correctly.

**What signal strengths are required by the SyncServer receiver to start tracking?**

SyncServer requires four satellite signals with strengths greater than 6 dB to turn the tracking LED on. After the tracking LED is on, SyncServer requires only one satellite signal to maintain its time. If it loses the fourth signal, the SyncServer will automatically transfer to Freerun mode and will keep on providing time.

**How do I check versions of the software in SyncServer?**

To check for the version of SyncServer software, use the web-based administrative interface main admin menu, **Versions** option.

**What is the maximum number of computers that can be networked to the SyncServer?**

SyncServer acts as a standalone time server. Average time to process the NTP request is less than 1 millisecond. Testing has shown SyncServer can handle approximately 10,000 requests per second. However, clients running as Stratum 2 computers access SyncServer in an interval of 64 to 65,536 seconds as the time progresses. The optimum number of computers is based on the capability of the network and on the acceptable level on load on the network.

**How many satellites are necessary for me to operate SyncServer?**

Four. The unit will usually track six to eight satellites.

**How do I know if the satellite signal strength is good?**

Any signal over 6 is good and usable by SyncServer. The unit will continue to track a satellite down to 3 once it has acquired it at a level 6 or over.

**What is the maximum antenna cable length for use with SyncServer?**

A maximum length of 300 feet can be used with the standard (Bullet II) antenna. From 300–500 feet, the High Gain Antenna option is required. If you need longer lengths, please contact Datum Technical Support.

### What are the available antenna cable lengths and antenna requirements?

These are:

Cable length/cable type	Antenna
50'–100' Belden RG58	Standard bullet-type
100'–300' Belden 9913	Standard bullet-type
300'–500' Belden 9913	High Gain
Over 500'	Contact Datum

### What are some guidelines for correctly cutting the cable, using splitters, and using cable connectors?

Some critical “do’s and don’ts” are:

- *Do* use pre-made kits from Datum.
- *Do* install the antenna where there are no obstructions—either on the roof, or with a view of the horizon that is at least 30 degrees.
- *Do not* split the antenna cable signal to try to use the signal to drive other GPS devices.
- *Do not* cut the cable to a shorter length. Instead, bundle any excess cable. Correct antenna cable length—even if you do not “use it all”—is critical to proper SyncServer operation, which should have a gain within the range of 15dB–25dB.

## How-tos and Tips

Here are some guideposts to often-asked “how to” questions. The answer will direct you to another part of this material, in Chapter 3, where there is more detail.

### How to install your SyncServer

All information about this is covered in [Installing Your SyncServer](#), on [page 20](#).

### How to get time via dial-up

See [Dialup](#) on [page 34](#) for details about this.

### How to get time via GPS

See [GPS](#), on [page 29](#).

### How to install your GPS antenna

See [Installing the GPS Antenna](#), on [page 21](#).

### How to acquire and install DatumTime™

To acquire DatumTime, download this free software from

[http://www.datum.com/tt/downloads/datum\\_time.html](http://www.datum.com/tt/downloads/datum_time.html).



Directions on its installation are found in [Installing the DatumTime™ Client Software](#), on [page 48](#).

### **How to get info about NTP**

To learn more about NTP, use these links:

- <http://www.ntp.org>
- <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1305.txt>

## **Solutions**

This section offers solutions to some situations you may run into as you use your SyncServer.

If you still cannot solve the problem, please contact SyncServer technical support at [ttsupport@datum.com](mailto:ttsupport@datum.com), or (781) 372-3600.

### **SyncServer does not respond to ping command**

Use the SyncServer web interface to ping your client (see [Networking: Ping](#), on [page 74](#)).

If your client cannot be reached with the ping command, the SyncServer provides a traceroute utility to show the path data is taking.

Also check the Ethernet 10/100baseT cable connections between the RJ45 connector and the hub or network.

### **SyncServer does not respond to NTP queries**

If SyncServer can be pinged, but it doesn't respond to NTP queries, then verify that the NTP software on your computers is set up properly, and also verify that the client has the correct IP address of the SyncServer.

### **I cannot establish a serial connection with the SyncServer**

Make sure that the connection is made with the front panel serial console in the SyncServer.

Make sure you are using the correct com port on your management PC (com1).

Also check that the configuration settings are set to a VT100 ASCII terminal using 38.4kbps, 8, N, 1.

Try pinging the SyncServer from your management PC, and the PC from the SyncServer. Then use [Networking: Traceroute](#) to check the path between the two; this should give you some useful data that will solve the problem.

## My SyncServer won't track satellites

Check the following:

Possible cause of tracking problems:	How to fix:
Antenna not positioned correctly	Be sure antenna is on the roof or location with at least a 30-degree view of the horizon, and at least two meters from other active receiving antennas and shielded from transmitting antennas
Cable is cut to the wrong length, causing dB gain problems	Replace with cable of correct length
Incorrect connector(s) at the end(s) of the cable(s) or along the cable run, causing dB gain problems	Replace with correct connector
Incorrect use of splitters, including signal splitting to another GPS device or cable cut to wrong length	Replace with splitter that does not "share" signal, on a cable of correct length

# Appendix A

## SyncServer Specifications

### SyncServer Product Specifications

**Table A-1:** SyncServer S100 Data Sheet Specifications

Component	Specifics	Description
Network Interface	Ethernet over 10/100Base-T	IEEE 802.3 specifications
	Connection	10/100BaseT, Twisted Pair RJ45
	Time Protocols	NTPv2 (RFC 1119), NTPv3 (RFC 1305), NTPv4 (IETF Draft Standard), SNTP (RFC 2030), Time Protocol (RFC 868), Daytime Protocol (RFC 867)
	Supported Protocols	TCP/IP, MD5 Authentication (NTP), SNMP v1 (RFC 1157), DHCP (RFC 2131), SSH (Secure Shell), HTTP/HTML/HTTPS (RFC 2616)
Serial Connection	Serial Port	RS-232/DB9 DTE
Software	NTP Client	<a href="http://www.ntp.org">www.ntp.org</a> , or <a href="http://www.datum.com/tt">www.datum.com/tt</a>
	Time Utility (MS Windows)	DatumTime™ ( <a href="http://www.datum.com/tt">www.datum.com/tt</a> )
Timing Accuracy	Network	1–10 milliseconds, typical
	GPS	<1 microsecond (relative to UTC, GPS tracking)
	Dial-up service	<1-10 milliseconds, on sync
	Oscillator	Rate stability: $5 \times 10^{-7}$
GPS Input	Channels and Frequency	Eight, C/A code
	Cable Type	50 feet (15.25m) /RG58
	Antenna	Size: 3.04”d x 2.94”h (7.72cm x 7.47cm) Operating temperature: -40°C to +85°C Acquisition <5 minutes
Chassis	A/C Power In	100–240VAC, Auto-switching 50-60 Hz
	Size and Weight	1.75”H x 17.0”W x 18”D (4.45cm x 43.2cm x 45.7cm) 1U Height Rack Mount, 18 lbs. (8.2Kg)
Operating and Storage Environments	Temperature and Humidity	0°C to +45°C/5-95% @ 40°C
Options	Long Antenna Cable (Belden 9913), Lightning Arrester, High-Gain GPS Antenna, GPS In-Line Amplifier, Rack Mount Slides	

## Pin Descriptions

<b>P1: Ethernet RJ45</b> <i>Description: 8-pin Phone Jack, Mfr: AMP, Part # 555153-1</i>	
Pin Number	Description
1	TX (+)
2	TX (-)
3	RX (+)
4	N/C
5	N/C
6	RX (-)
7	N/C
8	N/C

<b>P3: Serial A (Data Terminal Port/DTE)</b> <i>Description: 9-pin “D” Plug, Mfr: AMP, Part # 869436</i>	
Pin Number	Description
1	RS-232 Data Carrier Detect (in)
2	RS-232 Receive Data (in)
3	RS-232 Transmit Data (out)
4	RS-232 Data Terminal Ready (out)
5	Ground
6	RS-232 Data Set Ready (in)
7	RS-232 Request to Send (out)
8	RS-232 Clear to Send (in)
9	RS-232 Ring Indicator (in)

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# Appendix B

## Time Glossary

### Overview

There are many time-related terms that have been defined and re-defined just in the last few years. This glossary is provided so that you have the latest information on developments in secure time distribution.

### Glossary Terms

**Access Control**

Network managers define access control by requiring authentication of the user's identity before permitting or limiting entry to a network or server resource/printer.

**ACTS**

Automated Computer Time System, a NIST service that provides announced time via telephone.

**Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)**

Developed by NIST and private companies, this standard is 256-bit based and is a stronger defense for sensitive material when compared to 40-bit or 128-bit.

**Algorithm**

Any mechanical or recursive computational procedure.

**ANSI**

American National Standards Institute. The agency that sets US standards in such areas as computer communications.

**Antiwarrant**

Attribute certificate that has the same expire date as its valid date; in other words, it was never valid. This is still sent, at times, because it contains other information that the system needs. See also *Warrant*

**API**

Application Program Interface. This interface allows software developers to write their software so that it can communicate with the computer's operating system or other programs.

**ASCII**

American Standards Code Information Interchange, a code in which each alphanumeric character is represented as a number from 0 to 127, in binary code so the computer can understand it. Its simplicity allows diverse computers to understand one another.

**ATM**

Asynchronous Transfer Mode, or ATM switching. This is a type of packet switching that makes it possible to transmit data at high speeds over a network. It also allows dynamic allocation of bandwidth, meaning users get only the bandwidth they need and are charged accordingly.

**Audit Trail**

A series of events, usually kept in and managed by a computer-based log, that give proof of a defined activity.

**Authentication**

Method by which a person is verified to be who they say they are, by password or other means.

**Authorization**

Method by which an authenticated person is allowed certain access to the system, via password or other means.

**BCD**

Binary Coded Decimal. Also called packed decimal, this is the representation of a number by using 0s and 1s, or four-bit binary numbers. So the number 29 would be encoded as 0010 1001.

**CA**

Certificate Authority

**Calibration**

To fix the graduations of time measurement against the established national standard, including any periodic corrections that should be made.

**CDMA**

Code Division Multiple Access. A technique of multiplexing, also called spread spectrum, in which analog signals are converted into digital form for transmission.

**CDSA**

Common Data Security Architecture. This describes the security structure for the entire network. It is unique to each network because security is managed differently for each.

**Certificate**

Often called “digital certificates”, this is a credential that includes security information and keys.

**Certificate Authority (CA)**

Independent organization or vendor that acts as a notary, verifying the identification of involved parties, and issues certificates that contain authenticating and identifying data. The certificate also contains keys and other security information.

**Certificate Extension**

An extension of the X.509 standard that lets the certificate hold additional identifying information.

**Certification Path**

A specified sequence of issued certificates necessary for the user to get their key.

**Certificate Request Message**

A certificate request message is composed of the certificate request along with other identifying data.

**Certification Revocation List**

A CA maintains a list of certificates that have been cancelled but remain unused; revocation lists are vital when certificates have been stolen, for example.

**Confidentiality**

Keeping secret data from unauthorized eyes.

**Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)**

The international time standard is called Universal Coordinated Time or, more commonly, UTC, for “Universal Time, Coordinated”. This standard has been in effect since 1972 by worldwide representatives within the International Telecommunication Union. The UTC designation was chosen as a compromise among all the countries’ abbreviations for Universal Coordinated Time. UTC is maintained by the Bureau International de l’Heure (BIPM) which forms the basis of a coordinated dissemination of standard frequencies and time signals. The acronyms UTC and BIPM are each a compromise among all the participating nations.

**Content Filtering**

A filter that screens out data by checking, for example, URLs or key words.

**Credential(s)**

Much like a photo ID or birth certificate, electronic credentials are recognized as proof of a party's identity and security level. Examples: certificate, logon ID, secure ID, and so forth.

**CRM**

See *Certificate Request Message*

**Cross-Certificate**

Two or more CAs which issue certificates (cross-certificates) recognized in each others’ domains.

**Cryptography**

See *Encryption*

**Data Encryption Standard (DES)**

Encryption method in which both the sender and receiver of a message share a single key that decrypts the message.

**Datum Secure Network Time Protocol (DS/NTP)**

The protocol created by Datum, based on NTP, that includes additional security features.

**DCLS**

Direct Current Level Shift, or digital IRIG.

See also: *IRIG*

**Decryption**

The transformation of unintelligible data (“ciphertext”) into original data (“clear text”).

**Denial of Service**

When a network is flooded with traffic, the systems cannot respond normally, so service is curtailed or denied. This is a favorite technique of network saboteurs, along with Distributed DOS.

**DES**

See *Data Encryption Standard*

**DHCP**

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol, or Windows server software that assigns an IP address to each node in a network.

**Diffie-Hellman**

A key-agreement algorithm used to create a random number that can be used as a key over an insecure channel.

**Digital Certificate**

Digital Certificates are issued by a Certificate Authority, which verifies the identification of the sender. The certificate is attached to an electronic message, so the recipient knows the sender is really who they claim to be.

**Digital Fingerprint**

Similar to digital signature, a digital fingerprint is the encryption of a message digest with a private key.

**Digital Signature**

Like a digital certificate, a digital signature is a data string that is verified by a Certificate Authority, and is attached to an electronic message so that it can verify that the sender is really who they claim to be. The difference between a digital certificate and a digital signature is found in how the message is encrypted and decrypted.

**Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA)**

The asymmetric algorithm that is at the core of the digital signature standard.



**Digital Signature Standard (DSS)**

A National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) standard for digital signatures, used to authenticate both a message and the signer. DSS has a security level comparable to RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Adleman) cryptography, having 1,024-bit keys.

**Digital time-stamp**

See *time-stamp*

**Directory**

The directory is the storage area for network security information such as keys or server names.

**DSA**

Digital Signature Algorithm. DSA is a public-key method based on the discrete logarithm problem.

**DS/NTP**

Datum Secure Network Time Protocol

**DSS**

See *Digital Signature Standard*

**DTT**

Datum Temporal Token

**Element Manager (ENMTMS)**

Software that manages the components of an application.

**Encryption**

The transformation of clear data (clear text) into unintelligible data (ciphertext). Asymmetric encryption, also known as public key encryption, allows for the trading of information without having to share the key used to encrypt the information. Information is encrypted using the recipient's public key and then the recipient decrypts the information with their private key. Symmetric encryption, also known as private key encryption, allows information to be encrypted and decrypted with the same key. Thus the key must be shared with the decrypting party--but anyone who intercepts the key can also use it.

**ENMTMS**

See *Element Manager*

**Ephemeris Time**

Time obtained from observing the motion of the moon around the earth.

**FIPS**

Federal Information Processing Standards. These are a set of standards for document processing and for working within documents. Some commonly-used FIPS standards are 140-1, 140-2, and 180.

**Firewall**

Firewalls are software and hardware systems that define access between two networks, offering protection from outside data that could be harmful, such as a virus sent via the Internet.

**GMT**

Greenwich Mean Time, the mean solar time of the meridian of Greenwich, England, used until 1972 as a basis for calculating standard time throughout the world.

**GPS**

Global Positioning System. The GPS is a constellation of 24 US Department of Defense satellites orbiting the earth twice a day.

**Hack/crack**

“Hackers” are unauthorized programmers who write code that enables them to break into a computer network or program. “Crackers” are unauthorized programmers whose goal it is to break into computer networks or programs protected by security software or hardware.

**Hash**

Also called “hash function” or hashing, used extensively in many encryption algorithms. Hashing transforms a string of characters usually into a shorter, fixed-length value or key. Information in a database is faster to search when you use a hashed key, than if you were to try to match the original data.

**HTML**

HyperText Markup Language, the computer language used to create pages for the World Wide Web.

**HTTP**

HyperText Transfer (or Transport) Protocol, the protocol most often used to transfer information from World Wide Web servers to users of the Web.

**Identity Certificate**

The hash creates a message digest based on the contents of the message. The message is then encrypted using the publisher's private key, then it is appended to the original message.

**IEEE**

Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, an international organization that sets standards for electrical and computer engineering.

**IETF**

Internet Engineering Task Force, an international organization which sets standards for Internet protocols in their Request for Comment (RFC) papers.

These papers are numbered (RFC 1305, RFC 868, and so on) and are referred to by engineers worldwide as they work on technologies that support IETF standards.

**IKE**

Internet Key Exchange, a security system that uses a private key and an exchange key that encrypts private keys. Passwords are delivered via the Internet.

**In-band Authentication**

When you use PKI for authentication, it is called in-band authentication.

See also: *out-of-band authentication*

**Integrity**

Data that has retained its integrity has not been modified or tampered with.

**IPSec**

Internet Protocol Security describes the IETF protocols that protect the secure exchange of packets on the IP layer.

**IRIG**

InteRange Instrumentation Group is an analog standard for serial time formats.

**Irrefutability**

In the time security world, irrefutability means the source of the message cannot be disproved.

**ITU**

International Telecommunications Union, the international organization that sets standards for data communication.

**Key**

An alphanumeric string that encrypts and decrypts data.

**Key Escrow**

A secure storage maintained by a trusted third party, which holds keys.

**Key Generation**

Creation of a key.

**Key Management**

The process by which keys are created, authenticated, issued, distributed, stored, recovered, and revoked.

**Key Pair**

An integrated pair of keys, one public, one private.

**Key Recovery**

A method that allows messages to be decrypted even if the original key is lost.

### **L1 Band, L2 Band**

Each Navstar GPS satellite currently transmits in two dedicated frequency bands: L1 and L2, which is centered on 1227.6 MHz. L1 carries one encrypted signal, as does L2, both being reserved for the military. L1 also carries one unencrypted signal, for civilian use.

### **LDAP**

The Lightweight Directory Access Protocol allows access to a directory service.

### **Leap Second**

Today's scientists and engineers have perfected clocks based on a resonance in cesium atoms to an accuracy of better than one part in 10 trillion. These clocks keep pace with each other to within one two- or three-millionth of a second over a year's time. The earth, on the other hand, might randomly accumulate nearly a full second's error during a given year. To keep coordinated with the rotation of the earth, this error is added to (or deleted from) UTC time as a leap second, on the last day of the June or December in that year.

### **Message Authentication Code(MAC)**

A MAC is a function that takes a variable length input and a key to produce a fixed-length output.

### **Message Digest**

The hash of a message.

See also: *Hash*

### **MIB**

Management Information Base, a database on the network that tracks, records, and corrects performance for each device on the network.

### **MTBF**

Mean Time Between Failure, a measure of reliability. The longer the time span between failures, the more reliable the device.

### **Multiplexing**

Process during which two or more signals are combined into one; at the other end, signals are "unbundled" by a demultiplexer. *TDM* is Time Division Multiplexing, *FDM* is Frequency Division Multiplexing, and *CDMA* is Code Division Multiple Access.

### **National Measurement Institute**

The national authority in each country that is recognized as the source of official time.

### **Network Time Management System (NTMS)**

Datum's architecture for the use of its Trusted Time product.

### **NIST**

National Institute of Standards and Technology, the National Measurement Institute in the United States. In the form of FIPS documents, NIST produces standards for security and cryptography.

**NMI**

National Measurement Institute(s) or National Metrology Institute(s), the national authority in each country that is usually recognized as the source of official time.

**NMIServer**

National Measurement Institute Server

**NOC**

A Network Operations Center monitors and manages networking.

**Non-repudiatable**

The Trusted Time time-stamp has an audit trail back to its time source, during which the sender of the transaction is authenticated. Therefore, the sender cannot deny the time of the transaction.

**Notarization**

Certification of the identity of the party in a transaction based on identifying credentials.

**NTMS**

Network Time Management System, the architecture for Datum's Trusted Time product.

**NTP**

Network Time Protocol is a protocol that provides a reliable way of transmitting and receiving the time over the TCP/IP networks. The NTP, defined in IETF RFC 1305, is useful for synchronizing the internal clock of the computers to a common time source.

**Online validation**

A way of validating a key each time before it is used to verify that it has not expired or revoked.

**OCSP**

Online Certificate Status Protocol, a method for validating digital certificates and signatures.

**OID**

Object Identifier.

**OSI**

Operations System Interface,

**Out-of-band Authentication**

When authentication is performed using relatively insecure methods, such as over the telephone, it is called out-of-band authentication. In-band authentication, which uses PKI, is preferred.

See also: *In-band Authentication*

**PCI**

Peripheral Component Interconnect, a local bus that supports high-speed connection with peripherals. It plugs into a PCI slot on the motherboard.

**PKCS**

Public Key Cryptography Standards. These standards allow compatibility among different cryptographic products.

**PKI**

Public Key Infrastructure. The PKI includes the Certificate Authority (CA), key directory, and management. Other components such as key recovery, and registration, may be included. The result is a form of cryptography in which each user has a public key and a private key. Messages are sent encrypted with the receiver's public key; the receiver decrypts them using the private key.

**PKI Certificate**

Verifies a person's identification.

**PKIX**

Extended Public Key Infrastructure, of PKI with additional features approved by the IETF.

**PLB**

Private Label Branch

**Policy**

A company's security policy.

**PSTN**

Public Switched Telephone Network, a voice and data communications service for the general public which uses switched lines.

**Private Key**

This is a secret key, known to only of the parties involved in a transaction.

**Public Key**

Messages are sent encrypted with the recipient's public key, which is known to others; the recipient decrypts them using their private key.

**Public Key Certificate**

Certificate in the form of data that holds a public key, authentication information, and private key information.

**RA**

A Registration Authority does not issue certificates, but does the required identification for certain certificate data.

**Resolution**

Resolution of a time code refers to the smallest increment of time, whether it is days, hours, seconds, or other.

**Revocation**

The withdrawing of a certificate by a Certificate Authority before its expiration date or time.

Also see *Certificate Revocation List (CRL)*

**Risk Management**

The tasks and plans that help avoid security risk, and if security is breached, helps minimize damage.

**RSA**

The RSA (Rivest-Shamir-Andleman) algorithm is used to create digital signatures.

**SHA-1**

Secure Hash Algorithm, which has a larger message digest, making it more secure against certain hacker attacks.

**Smart card**

A card the size of a credit card, which holds a microprocessor that stores information.

**S/MIME**

Secure Multipurpose Internet Mail Extensions. The standard for secure messaging.

**SNMP**

Simple Network Management Protocol is the Internet standard protocol for network management software. It monitors devices on the network, and gathers device performance data for management information (data)bases (“MIB”).

**Solar Time**

Time based on the revolution of the earth around the sun.

**SSL**

Secure Sockets Layer, a protocol that allows secure communications on the World Wide Web/Internet.

**SSL Client Authentication**

Part of the SSL “handshake” process, when the client responds to server requests for a key.

**SSL Server Authentication**

Part of the SSL “handshake” process, when the server informs the client of its certificate (and other) preferences.

**SSL-LDAP**

Secure Sockets Layer-Lightweight Directory Access Protocol.

**Stratum Level**

These are standards set by Network Time Protocol RFC 1305. The highest level are Stratum 0 devices such as GPS, which get their time from a primary time source such as a national atomic clock. Stratum 1 servers, such as TymServe, source their time from a Stratum 0 device. Stratum 2 and beyond obtain their time from Stratum 1 servers. The further away a

network is from a primary source, the greater the chance of signal degradations due to variations in communications lines, and so forth.

### **Sysplex Timer**

The Sysplex Timer provides a synchronized Time-of-Day clock for multiple attached computers.

### **TCCert**

Time Calibration Certificate

### **TCP/IP**

A mainstay of the Internet, the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) provides dependable communication and multiplexing. It is connection-oriented, meaning it requires a connection be established data transfer. It sits on top of the Internet Protocol (IP), which provides packet routing. This is connectionless, meaning each data packet has its source and destination data embedded, so it can bounce around a network and still get to its destination.

### **Telnet**

Telnet is a terminal emulation application protocol that enables a user to log in remotely across a TCP/IP network to any host supporting this protocol. The keystrokes that the user enters at the computer or terminal are delivered to the remote machine, and the remote computer response is delivered back to the user's computer or terminal.

### **Time-stamp**

A record mathematically linking a piece of data to a time and date.

### **Time-stamp Request**

The client computer or application sends a time-stamp request to a stamp server.

### **Time-stamp Token**

The essential part of the time-stamp. It contains the time, the message digest/the message imprint (hash), and it is signed to verify the accuracy of that time. In detail, it is a signed data object where the encapsulated content is a TSTInfoObject, thus it verifies the stamp as coming from the device you submitted it to, and it is bound to the file you are working with.

### **Time-stamping Authority**

An authorized device that issues time-stamps, and its owner.

### **TLS**

Transport Layer Security, security that protects the OSI layer that is responsible for reliable end-to-end data transfer between end systems.

### **Tool box**

A group of software applications that have similar functions.

### **Token**

See *time-stamp token*



**TMC**

See *Trusted Time Master Clock*

**TPC**

Third Party Certificate.

See also: *Certificate*

**TPCA**

Third Party Certification/Certificate Authority.

See also: *Certificate Authority*

**Traceability**

Traceability infers that the time standard used on the time-stamp server was set using time directly or indirectly from a National Measurement Institute.

**Transaction**

An activity, such as a request or an exchange.

**Triple-DES**

Also called Triple Data Encryption Algorithm (TDEA) Data Encryption Standard is an algorithm that encrypts blocks of data.

**Trust**

In the network security context, trust refers to privacy (the data is not viewable by unauthorized people), integrity (the data stays in its true form), non-repudiation (the publisher cannot say they did not send it), and authentication (the publisher--and recipient--are who they say they are).

**Trusted Time**

Datum's family of products that produce extremely accurate and auditable time-stamps.

**Trusted Time Infrastructure**

The internal architecture of Datum's Trusted Time products.

**Trusted Time MasterClock (TMC)**

Datum's Trusted MasterClock is a rubidium-based master clock synchronized to UTC time and certified by a National Measurement Institute.

**Trusted Time NMIServer**

Datum's NMI Trusted Time Server, or NMIServer, is a standalone secure server based on the Trusted MasterClock, which is dedicated to the creation of trusted UTC time at the NMI.

**Trusted Time Products (TTP)**

The family of Datum's Trusted Time products, including the Network Time Management System, Trusted MasterClock, Trusted time-stampServer, and Trusted Time application software.

**Trusted Time-StampServer (TSS)**

Datum's Trusted time-stampServer (TSS) services time-stamp requests from applications, transactions, or computer logs.

**TSA**

See *Time-Stamp Authority*

**TSP**

time-stamp Protocol

**TSR**

See *time-stamp Request*

**TSS**

See *Time-StampServer*

**TT**

See *Trusted Time*

**TTI**

See *Trusted Time Infrastructure*

**TTDS**

See *Trusted Time Distribution Service*

**TTP**

See *Trusted Time Product*

**UDP/IP**

User Datagram Protocol/Internet Protocol is a communications protocol that provides service when messages are exchanged between computers in a network that uses the Internet Protocol. It is an alternative to the Transmission Control Protocol.

**USNO**

U.S. Naval Observatory, in Washington, D.C., where the atomic clock that serves as the official source of time for the United States is maintained.

**UTC**

See *Coordinated Universal Time*

**Vault**

Secure data storage facility.

**Verification**

The process of making sure the identity of the parties involved in a transaction is what they claim it to be.

**Virus**

An unwanted program that hides “behind” legitimate code, and which is activated when the legitimate program is activated.

**VPN**

Virtual Private Network, a way that authorized individuals can gain secure access to an organization's intranet, usually via the Internet.

**W3C**

The World Wide Web Consortium, based at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology(MIT), is an international organization which creates standards for the World Wide Web.

**Warrant**

An attribute certificate that attests to the time of the device. It is used to adjust the clock.  
See also: *PKI certificate*

**Wireless Application Protocol (WAP)**

Wireless Application Protocol, a worldwide standard for applications used on wireless communication networks.

**WPKI**

Wireless Public Key Infrastructure.

**WTLS**

Wireless Transport Layer Security

**X.509**

The ITU's X.509 standard defines a standard format for digital certificates, the most-widely used PKI standard.

**X.509 v3 Certificate Extension**

The X.509 standard with extended features approved by the IETF.



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