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Preface

This guide describes the ZebOS-XP application programming interface (API) for Precision Time Protocol (PTP).

Audience

This guide is intended for developers who write code to customize and extend PTP.

Conventions

Table P-1 shows the conventions used in this guide.

Table P-1: Conventions

Convention	Description
<i>Italics</i>	Emphasized terms; titles of books
Note:	Special instructions, suggestions, or warnings
<code>monospaced type</code>	Code elements such as commands, functions, parameters, files, and directories

Contents

This document contains this chapter:

- [Chapter 1, Precision Time Protocol API](#)

Related Documents

The following guides are related to this document:

- *Precision Time Protocol Command Reference*
- *Precision Time Protocol Configuration Guide*

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CHAPTER 1 Precision Time Protocol API

Precision Time Protocol (PTP), as specified in the IEEE Standard 1588-2008, is a distributed protocol that specifies how real-time clocks in the system synchronize with each other. PTP operates within a logical scope called a domain. The clocks are organized in a master-slave synchronization hierarchy. The grandmaster clock is at the top of the hierarchy:

- The grandmaster clock determines the reference time for the entire system.
- Slaves use the timing information to adjust their clocks to match the time of their master in the hierarchy.
- Clocks are synchronized by exchanging messages.

In ZebOS-XP, PTP is handled by an independent daemon named `ptpd`.

PTP Devices

PTP devices include ordinary clocks, boundary clocks and transparent clocks:

- An *ordinary clock* communicates with the network through a single physical port. An ordinary clock can be a master or slave.
- A *boundary clock* has multiple ports from which it selects the best master clock. One port is a slave to that master clock while the other ports are masters to downstream slaves. A boundary clock provides a means to synchronize time among subnetworks.
- A *transparent clock* forwards all PTP messages but measures the time that the packet takes to traverse the transparent clock and in some cases the link delay of the port where the packet entered.

PTP Algorithm

The PTP process has two phases:

- Establishing the master-slave hierarchy
- Synchronizing the clocks.

Within a PTP domain, each port of an ordinary or boundary clock follows this process to determine its role as master or slave:

- Examines the contents of all received announce messages (issued by ports in the master state)
- Compares the clocks of the foreign master (in the announce message) to the local clock for priority, clock class, accuracy, and so on
- Based on this comparison, determines its role as either master or slave

After the master-slave hierarchy is established, the clocks are synchronized by the master sending synchronization messages to the slave. The devices in a PTP domain also exchange messages about link delays.

Data Structures

The data structures in this section are defined in `ptpd\ptp_cli.h`.

ptp_bridge

```
struct ptp_bridge
{
    struct ptp_master *ptp_master;

    /* Contains the data needed for PTP which is same across all ports */
    struct ptp_clock *clock;

    /* Port list */
    struct avl_tree *port_tree;

    /* Bridge Name */
    u_int8_t name[L2_BRIDGE_NAME_LEN + 1];
    u_int8_t bridge_type;
    u_int8_t ptp_enabled;
};
```

ptp_clock

```
struct ptp_clock
{
    u_int8_t clock_type;
    u_int8_t clock_communication_technology;
    bool_t is_boundary_clock;
    bool_t is_transparent_clock;
    //u_int8_t subdomain_name[PTP_SUBDOMAIN_NAME_LENGTH];
    struct ptp_default_ds ptp_dds;
    struct ptp_current_ds ptp_cds;
    struct ptp_parent_ds ptp_pds;
    struct ptp_time_properties_ds ptp_tpds;
    struct ptp_transparent_clock_default_ds ptp_tc_cds;
    struct ptp_syntonize ptp_synt;
    bool_t is_enable;
    u_int8_t transport_type;
    u_int8_t delay_mechanism;
    u_char send_msg[PTP_MSG_SIZE];
    bool_t ptp_syntonize;
};
```

ptp_ifp

```
struct ptp_ifp
{
    struct interface *ifp;
    struct ptp_bridge *br;
    struct ptp_master *ptpm;
    struct ptp_port *port;
    s_int32_t ifindex;
    u_int16_t pvid;
    bool_t active;
    u_int8_t ptp_enabled; /* Flag to indicate ptp enable/disable state */
    u_int8_t port_type;
    u_int8_t dev_addr [PTP_MAC_ADDR_LEN];
    struct sockaddr skaddr;
    struct sockaddr_in6 skaddr6;
};
```



```

/* Time intervals */
u_int8_t annrec_time;
u_int8_t qualification_time;
// u_int8_t sync_time;
float32_t sync_time;
u_int8_t ann_int_time;
u_int8_t pdelay_time;
};

```

ptp_master

```

struct ptp_master
{
    /* Pointer to VR. */
    struct ipi_vr *vr;

    /* Pointer to globals. */
    struct lib_globals *zg;

    struct list *bridge_list;

    /* Tree of all interfaces in the system */
    struct list *if_list;
    struct
    {
        /* Debug flags for configuration. */
        struct debug_ptp conf;
        struct debug_ptp term;
    } debug;

    pal_sock_handle_t sockfd;

    u_int8_t ether_type;
    struct thread *ptp_rcv_thread;
};

```

ptp_port_clock

```

struct ptp_port_clock
{
    u_int16_t number_foreign_records;
    s_int32_t ifindex;
    u_int8_t mac[6]; /* TO DO */
    pal_sock_handle_t sockfd;
    pal_sock_handle_t sockfd_gen;
    struct ptp_port_ds ptp_port_ds;
    struct ptp_transparent_clock_port_default_ds ptp_tc_cport_ds;
    struct ptp_foreign_master_ds ptp_fmnds[PTP_NUM_FOREIGN_RECS];
    struct ptp_protocol_ds ptp_proto_ds;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_sync_send_time;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_pdr_send_time;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_dresp_send_time;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_pdreq_rcv_time;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_dreq_rcv_time;
    struct ptp_timestamp last_delay_req_send_time;
    struct thread *ptp_rcv_thread;
};

```

```
struct thread *ptp_rcv_thread_gen;  
u_int8_t transport_type;  
};
```

API Reference

Function	Description
add_unicast_neighbor_api	Adds a unicast neighbor
create_clock_api	Creates a clock on the default bridge
create_port_api	Initializes a PTP port clock data structure and binds it to a PTP port
delete_clock_api	Deletes a clock and all its related ports on the specified bridge
delete_port_api	Deletes a PTP clock port
display_ptp_clock_foreign_master_dataset	Gets the attributes of foreign master clocks
display_ptp_port_dataset	Gets the attributes of a PTP port
find_clock_api	Returns a pointer to a PTP clock installed on the default bridge
ptp_api_disable_bridge_global	Disables PTP on a bridge
ptp_api_enable_bridge_global	Enables PTP on a bridge
ptp_bridge_add_port	Adds a clock port to a bridge
ptp_find_bridge	Returns a pointer to a PTP bridge
ptp_launch_rcv	Sets up threads for receiving PTP messages
ptp_master_get	Returns the PTP master data structure
PTP_set_state	Sets the PTP state
ptp_sock_init	Initializes a socket
rem_unicast_neighbor_api	Deletes a unicast neighbor
send_announce	Sends a PTP announce message
show_current_ds	Gets the current data set of a clock
show_default_ds	Gets the default data set of an ordinary or boundary clock
show_parent_ds	Gets the data set of the parent clock and grandmaster clock
show_time_properties	Gets the attributes of the timescale
show_transparent_clock_ds	Gets the data set of a transparent clock

add_unicast_neighbor_api

This function adds a unicast neighbor.

Syntax

```
#include "ptp_utils.h"
s_int32_t
add_unicast_neighbor_api(const char *addr, struct ptp_port_clock * port)
```

Input Parameters

addr	Neighbor address
portclock	Pointer to PTP clock port

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

PTP_MAX_NEIGHBOR_CROSSED when the maximum number of unicast neighbors exists

PTP_ADDR_NOT_PROPER when the address is not valid

PTP_ADDR_NOT_PRESENTABLE when the address is already a neighbor

PTP_ERROR_AVL_INSERT when there is an internal error

RESULT_OK when the function succeeds

create_clock_api

This function creates a clock on the default bridge and initializes it.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
s_int32_t
create_clock_api(u_int8_t clk_type, u_int8_t domain_id, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

clk_type	One of these constants from ptpd/ptp_types.h:
PTP_ORDINARY_CLOCK	A clock that has a single PTP port and is a master or slave
PTP_BOUNDARY_CLOCK	A clock that has multiple ports from which it selects the best master clock. One port is a slave to that master clock while the other ports are masters to downstream slaves. A boundary clock provides a means to synchronize time among subnetworks.
PTP_TRANSPARENT_CLOCK	A clock that measures the time for a PTP event message to travel through the device and then provides this information to other clocks
domain_id	The PTP domain identifier

Output Parameters

`clock` A pointer to the clock initialized with default values

Return Values

Always `RESULT_OK`

create_port_api

This function initializes a PTP port clock data structure and binds it to a PTP port.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
s_int32_t
    create_port_api (struct ptp_ifp * ptp_if, struct ptp_port_clock * portclock)
```

Input Parameters

`ptp_if` Pointer to PTP interface
`portclock` Pointer to PTP clock port

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

`RESULT_OK` when the PTP port was created and initialized
`PTP_PORT_NOT_FOUND` when the PTP port is NULL
`PTP_CLOCK_NOT_FOUND` when the PTP clock is NULL
`PTP_BRIDGE_NOT_FOUND` when the PTP bridge is NULL
`PTP_ORDINARY_MORE_THAN_ONE_PORT` when there is an attempt to create more than one port on ordinary clock

delete_clock_api

This function deletes a clock and all its related ports on the specified bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
s_int32_t
    delete_clock_api (struct ptp_bridge * bridge)
```

Input Parameters

`bridge` A pointer to the PTP bridge

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

`RESULT_OK` when the clock was deleted

RESULT_ERROR when the bridge is NULL

delete_port_api

This function deletes a PTP clock port.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
s_int32_t
    delete_port_api (struct ptp_ifp *ptp_if)
```

Input Parameters

ptp_if	Pointer to PTP interface
--------	--------------------------

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

RESULT_OK when the clock port was deleted

RESULT_ERROR when the port or clock is NULL

display_ptp_clock_foreign_master_dataset

This function gets the attributes of foreign master clocks which are ordinary clocks or boundary clocks that are sending announce messages to this clock but are not the current master recognized by this clock.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    display_ptp_clock_foreign_master_dataset (struct cli* cli,
    struct ptp_port_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

clock	A pointer to the clock port
-------	-----------------------------

Output Parameters

cli	The attributes of the foreign masters
-----	---------------------------------------

Return Values

None

display_ptp_port_dataset

This function gets the attributes of a PTP port.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
```

```
display_ptp_port_dataset (struct cli* cli, struct ptp_port_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

clock A pointer to the clock port

Output Parameters

cli The attributes of the port

Return Values

None

find_clock_api

This function returns a pointer to a PTP clock installed on the default bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
struct ptp_clock*
    find_clock_api()
```

Input Parameters

None

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

A pointer to the clock when successful

NULL when the default bridge does not have a clock

ptp_api_disable_bridge_global

This function disables PTP on a bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_utils.h"
s_int32_t
    ptp_api_disable_bridge_global (u_char *bridge_name)
```

Input Parameters

bridge_name The name of the bridge

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

RESULT_OK when PTP was disabled

PTP_ERR_GENERIC is the bridge name is empty

PTP_ERR_PTP_NOT_ENABLED when PTP is not enabled on the bridge

ptp_api_enable_bridge_global

This function enables PTP on a bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_utils.h"
s_int32_t
    ptp_api_enable_bridge_global (u_char *br_name)
```

Input Parameters

br_name	The name of the bridge
---------	------------------------

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

RESULT_OK when PTP was enabled

PTP_INTERFACE_NOT_FOUND when the interface is NULL

PTP_INTERFACE_ENABELED_NO_PORT_DATA when the clock port is NULL and PTP is enabled on the interface

PTP_MEMORY_ALLOC when there is a memory allocation error

PTP_PORT_NOT_FOUND when the PTP port is NULL

PTP_CLOCK_NOT_FOUND when the PTP clock is NULL

PTP_BRIDGE_NOT_FOUND when the PTP bridge is NULL

PTP_ORDINARY_MORE_THAN_ONE_PORT when trying to create more than one port for an ordinary clock

ptp_bridge_add_port

This function adds a clock port to a bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_bridge.h"
s_int16_t
    ptp_bridge_add_port (char *bridge_name, struct interface *ifp)
```

Input Parameters

bridge_name	The name of the bridge
ifp	A pointer to an interface

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

RESULT_OK when the port was added

RESULT_ERROR when the bridge or interface is NULL or when PTP is not associated with the interface

ptp_find_bridge

This function returns a pointer to a PTP bridge.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_bridge.h"
struct ptp_bridge *
    ptp_find_bridge (char *name)
```

Input Parameters

name	The name of the bridge
------	------------------------

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

A pointer to the bridge when successful

NULL when a bridge with the given name does not exist

ptp_launch_rcv

This function sets up threads for receiving PTP messages.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_utils.h"
void
    ptp_launch_rcv (struct ptp_ifp *ptp_if)
```

Input Parameters

ptp_if	Pointer to PTP interface
--------	--------------------------

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

None

ptp_master_get

This function returns the PTP master data structure.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptpd.h"
```



```
struct ptp_master *  
    ptp_master_get (void)
```

Input Parameters

None

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

PTP master data structure

PTP_set_state

This function sets the PTP state.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_fsm.h"  
void  
PTP_set_state (void *data, PTP_states_e new_state)
```

Input Parameters

data	Pointer to PTP interface (internally cast to struct ptp_ifp *)
new_state	One of these constants defined in the PTP_states enum in ptpd/ptp_fsm.h. See the IEEE 1588-2008 standard for an explanation of these states:


```
PTP_MASTER  
PTP_UNCALIBRATED  
PTP_SLAVE  
PTP_LISTENING  
PTP_PRE_MASTER  
PTP_PASSIVE  
PTP_INITIALIZING  
PTP_DISABLE  
PTP_FAULTY
```

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

None

ptp_sock_init

This function initializes a socket.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_sock.h"
pal_sock_handle_t
    ptp_sock_init (struct lib_globals *zg, u_int8_t transport_type,
        struct ptp_port_clock *port_data, struct interface *ifp)
```

Input Parameters

zg	Daemon-specific library globals
transport_type	One of these constants from ptpd/ptp_types.h:
PTP_UDP_V4	Enable PTP over UDP for IPv4
PTP_UDP_V6	Enable PTP over UDP for IPv6
PTP_ETHER	Enable PTP over Ethernet
ifp	Pointer to interface

Output Parameters

port_data	Pointer to PTP clock port
-----------	---------------------------

Return Values

The socket file descriptor when successful

RESULT_ERROR when the raw socket for the PTP_ETHER option could not be created

rem_unicast_neighbor_api

This function deletes a unicast neighbor.

Syntax

```
#include "ptp_utils.h"
s_int32_t
rem_unicast_neighbor_api(const char *addr, struct ptp_port_clock * port)
```

Input Parameters

addr	Neighbor address; pass NULL to delete all unicast neighbors
portclock	Pointer to PTP clock port

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

PTP_ERR_DEL_ADDR when there was an error deleting the address or addresses

RESULT_OK when the function succeeds

send_announce

This function sends a PTP announce message.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_utils.h"
void
    send_announce (struct ptp_clock *clock, struct ptp_port_clock *port_data,
        int send)
```

Input Parameters

clock	A pointer to the clock
port_data	Pointer to PTP clock port
send	Whether to send the message immediately

Output Parameters

None

Return Values

None

show_current_ds

This function gets the current data set of a clock.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    show_current_ds (struct cli *cli, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

clock	A pointer to the clock
-------	------------------------

Output Parameters

cli	The current data set of the clock
-----	-----------------------------------

Return Values

None

show_default_ds

This function gets the default data set of an ordinary or boundary clock.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    show_default_ds (struct cli* cli, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

`clock` A pointer to an ordinary or boundary clock

Output Parameters

`cli` The default data set of the ordinary or boundary clock

Return Values

None

show_parent_ds

This function gets the data set of the parent clock and grandmaster clock.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    show_parent_ds (struct cli *cli, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

`clock` A pointer to the clock

Output Parameters

`cli` The data set of the parent clock

Return Values

None

show_time_properties

This function gets the attributes of the timescale.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    show_time_properties (struct cli* cli, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

`clock` A pointer to the clock

Output Parameters

`cli` The attributes of the timescale

Return Values

None

show_transparent_clock_ds

This function gets the data set of a transparent clock.

Syntax

```
#include "ptpd/ptp_cli.h"
void
    show_transparent_clock_ds (struct cli* cli, struct ptp_clock *clock)
```

Input Parameters

clock	A pointer to the clock
-------	------------------------

Output Parameters

cli	The data set of the transparent clock
-----	---------------------------------------

Return Values

None

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