

# **Configuring Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

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### Information About Generalized Precision Time Protocol

Generalized precision time protocol (PTP) is an IEEE 802.1AS standard that provides a mechanism to synchronize the clocks of the bridges and end-point devices in a network. Generalized PTP defines the mechanism to elect the grandmaster clock (using Best Master Clock Algorithm [BMCA]) among the time-aware bridges and the talker and listener. The grandmaster is the root of the timing hierarchy that gets established in a time-aware network and distributes time to the nodes below to enable synchronization.

Time synchronization also requires determining the link delay and switch delays in the network nodes. A generalized PTP switch is an IEEE 1588 boundary clock, which also determines the link delay using the peer-to-peer delay mechanism. The delays that are computed are included in the correction field of the PTP messages and relayed to the endpoints. The talker and listener use this generalized PTP time as a shared clock reference, which is used to relay and recover the media clock. Generalized PTP currently defines only domain 0, which is what the generalized PTP switch supports.

The peer-to-peer delay mechanism runs on Spanning Tree Protocol-blocked (STP-blocked) ports as well. No other PTP messages are sent over blocked ports.

In a PTP domain, BMCA organizes clocks and ports in an hierarchical fashion, which includes clocks and port states:

### Clocks

- Grandmaster (GM or GMC)
- Boundary Clock (BC)

### Port States

- Master (M)
- Slave (S)
- Passive (P)

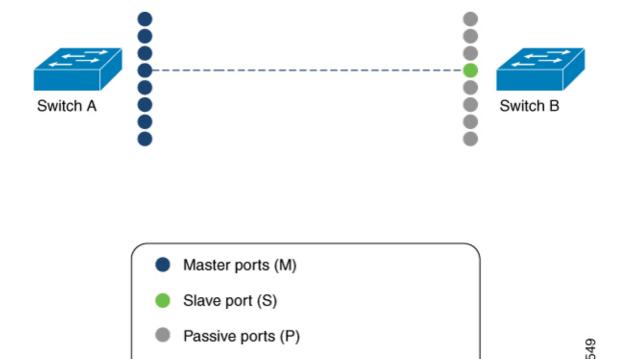
### **Generalized Precision Time Protocol on an EtherChannel Interface**

An EtherChannel interface allows multiple physical Ethernet links to be combined into one logical channel. Configuring an EtherChannel interface allows load sharing of traffic among the links in the channel as well as redundancy if one or more links in the EtherChannel fail. This behaviour of an EtherChannel interface does not change when generalized PTP is configured.

For example, in figure shows that two switches (Switch A and Switch B) are connected through an eight-member EtherChannel. If you consider Switch A as the master clock, all the ports that are a part of the EtherChannel are master ports. Similarly, Switch B is the slave clock, and one of the ports from the EtherChannel bundle becomes the slave port while all the other ports become passive ports. It is always the port with the lowest port number in the EtherChannel bundle that is designated as the slave port. If that slave port is disabled or shut down for any reason, the next port with the lowest port number is designated as the slave port.

The master and slave relationship is established when the feature is configured on an EtherChannel interface as well. The master ports from Switch A send and receive generalized PTP messages. In Switch B, only the slave port exchanges generalized PTP messages. There is no exchange of generalized PTP messages in the passive ports.

Figure 1: Generalized Precision Time Protocol on an EtherChannel Interface



PTP messages being sent and received

# **How to Configure Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

This section describes the various configurations available for generalized PTP.

### **Enabling Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

To enable generalized PTP on a device, perform this procedure.

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:  Device> enable	Enter your password, if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal  Example:  Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<pre>[no]ptp profile dot1as  Example:    Device(config)# ptp profile dot1as</pre>	Generalized PTP is enabled globally. Use the <b>no</b> form of this command to disable generalized PTP globally.
Step 4	<pre>end Example: Device(config)# end</pre>	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.

### **Enabling Generalized Precision Time Protocol on an Interface**

To enable generalized PTP on an interface, perform this procedure.

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	Enter your password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	interface interface-id	Defines the interface to be configured as a trunk,
	Example:	and enters interface configuration mode. The
	Device(config)# interface te1/1/1	interface that you specify can be a part of an EtherChannel.
Step 4	ptp enable	Enables generalized PTP on all the interfaces.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config-if)# ptp enable	To disable generalized PTP on a port, use the <b>no</b> form of this command:  Device (config-if) # <b>no</b> ptp enable
Step 5	end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config-if)# end	

## **Configuring the Values of Precision Time Protocol Clocks**

Follow these steps to configure the values of PTP clocks, priority1 and priority2:

### **Procedure**

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode.	
	Example:	Enter your password, if prompted.	
	Device> enable		
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device# configure terminal		
Step 3	ptp priority1 value	Sets the value of PTP clock priority1. The range	
	Example:	is from 0 to 255. The default value is 128.	
	Device(config)# ptp priority1 120	Note If the value of priority1 is configured as 255, the clock cannot be considered as grandmaster.	
Step 4	ptp priority2 value	Sets the value of PTP clock priority2. The range	
	Example:	is from 0 to 255. The default value is 128.	
	Device(config)# ptp priority2 120		
Step 5	exit	Returns to global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device(config)# exit		

## **Monitoring Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

Use the following commands in privileged EXEC mode to monitor generalized PTP.

**Table 1: Commands to Monitor Generalized Precision Time Protocol** 

Command	Purpose
show ptp brief	Displays the brief status of PTP on all interfaces.
show ptp clock	Displays PTP clock information.
show ptp parent	Displays the parent clock information.
show ptp port	Displays the PTP port information.
show platform software fed switch active ptp if-id {interface-id}	Displays details about the PTP status on a port.

# **Configuration Examples for Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

The following sections provide configuration examples for generalized PTP.

### **Example: Verifying Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp brief** command:

Device# show ptp brief		
Interface	Domain	PTP State
FortyGigabitEthernet1/1/1	0	FAULTY
FortyGigabitEthernet1/1/2	0	SLAVE
GigabitEthernet1/1/1	0	FAULTY
GigabitEthernet1/1/2	0	FAULTY
GigabitEthernet1/1/3	0	FAULTY
GigabitEthernet1/1/4	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/1	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/2	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/3	0	MASTER
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/4	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/5	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/6	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/7	0	MASTER
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/8	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/9	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/10	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/11	0	MASTER
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/12	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/13	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/14	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/15	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/16	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/17	0	FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/18	0	FAULTY

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MASTER
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/19
                            0
                            0
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/20
                                       FAULTY
                            0
                                      FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/21
                            0
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/22
                                      FAULTY
                            0
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/23
                                     FAULTY
                                     FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/0/24
                             0
                             0
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/1
                                       FAULTY
                                  FAULTY
FAULTY
FAULTY
FAULTY
FAULTY
FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/2
                             0
                            0
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/3
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/4
                            0
                             0
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/5
                                   FAULTY
FAULTY
                             0
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/6
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/7
                             0
                                      FAULTY
TenGigabitEthernet1/1/8
```

### The following is a sample output of the **show ptp clock** command:

#### Device# show ptp clock

```
PTP CLOCK INFO
PTP Device Type: Boundary clock
PTP Device Profile: IEEE 802/1AS Profile
Clock Identity: 0x4:6C:9D:FF:FE:4F:95:0
Clock Domain: 0
 Number of PTP ports: 38
PTP Packet priority: 4
 Priority1: 128
 Priority2: 128
 Clock Quality:
       Class: 248
       Accuracy: Unknown
      Offset (log variance): 16640
 Offset From Master(ns): 0
 Mean Path Delay(ns): 0
 Steps Removed: 3
 Local clock time: 00:12:13 UTC Jan 1 1970
```

### The following is a sample output of the **show ptp parent** command:

#### Device# show ptp parent

### The following is a sample output of the **show ptp port** command:

#### Device# show ptp port

```
PTP PORT DATASET: FortyGigabitEthernet1/1/1
Port identity: clock identity: 0x4:6C:9D:FF:FE:4E:3A:80
Port identity: port number: 1
PTP version: 2
Port state: FAULTY
Delay request interval(log mean): 5
Announce receipt time out: 3
Peer mean path delay(ns): 0
```

```
Announce interval(log mean): 1
Sync interval(log mean): 0
Delay Mechanism: End to End
Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
Sync fault limit: 500000000

PTP PORT DATASET: FortyGigabitEthernet1/1/2
Port identity: clock identity: 0x4:6C:9D:FF:FE:4E:3A:80
Port identity: port number: 2
PTP version: 2
Port state: FAULTY
Delay request interval(log mean): 5
Announce receipt time out: 3
Peer mean path delay(ns): 0
Announce interval(log mean): 1
--More-
```

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp port** command for an interface:

```
Device# show ptp port gi1/0/26
PTP PORT DATASET: GigabitEthernet1/0/26
Port identity: clock identity: 0x4:6C:9D:FF:FE:4E:3A:80
Port identity: port number: 28
PTP version: 2
Port state: MASTER
Delay request interval(log mean): 5
Announce receipt time out: 3
Peer mean path delay(ns): 0
Announce interval(log mean): 1
Sync interval(log mean): 1
Sync interval(log mean): 0
Delay Mechanism: Peer to Peer
Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
Sync fault limit: 5000000000
```

The following is a sample output of the **show platform software fed switch active ptp if-id** command for an interface:

```
Device# show platform software fed switch active ptp if-id 0x20
Displaying port data for if id 20
Port Mac Address 04:6C:9D:4E:3A:9A
Port Clock Identity 04:6C:9D:FF:FE:4E:3A:80
Port number 28
PTP Version 2
domain value 0
dot1as capable: FALSE
sync_recpt_timeout_time_interval 375000000 nanoseconds
sync interval 125000000 nanoseconds
neighbor rate ratio 0.000000
neighbor_prop_delay 0 nanoseconds
compute neighbor rate ratio: TRUE
compute_neighbor_prop_delay: TRUE
port enabled: TRUE
ptt port enabled: TRUE
current_log_pdelay_req_interval 0
pdelay_req_interval 0 nanoseconds
allowed lost responses 3
neighbor prop delay threshold 2000 nanoseconds
is_measuring_delay : FALSE
Port state: : MASTER
sync_seq_num 22023
delay req seq num 23857
num sync messages transmitted 0
num sync messages received 0
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```
num followup messages transmitted 0
num followup messages received 0
num pdelay requests transmitted 285695
num pdelay requests received 0
num pdelay responses transmitted 0
num pdelay responses received 0
num pdelay followup responses transmitted 0
num pdelay followup responses received 0
```

# Example: Verifying Generalized Precision Time Protocol on an EtherChannel Interface

The following examples show how to verify generalized PTP on an EtherChannel interface (see Figure).

#### **Master Clock**

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp brief** command used to verify the PTP state on an interface:

Device# show ptp brief	exclude	FAULTY
Interface	Domain	PTP State
TenGigE1/0/39	0	MASTER
TenGigE1/0/44	0	MASTER
TenGigE1/0/48	0	MASTER

The following is a sample output of the **show etherchannel summary** command used to verify if the interface configured on each port is an EtherChannel interface:

```
Device# show etherchannel 1 summary
Flags: D - down P - bundled in port-channel
      I - stand-alone s - suspended
       H - Hot-standby (LACP only)
       R - Layer3 S - Layer2
       U - in use
                     f - failed to allocate aggregator
       M - not in use, minimum links not met
       u - unsuitable for bundling
       w - waiting to be aggregated
       d - default port
      A - formed by Auto LAG
Number of channel-groups in use: 3
Number of aggregators:
Group Port-channel Protocol Ports
    Pol(SU) LACP
                              Hu1/0/39(P) Hu1/0/44(P)
                              Hu1/0/48(P)
```

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp port** command used to verify the port state of each interface:

```
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/39
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/39
Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:8A:84:C0
Port identity: port number: 39
```

```
PTP version: 2
  Port state: MASTER
  Delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Announce receipt time out: 3
  Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
  Delay Mechanism: End to End
  Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Sync fault limit: 500000000
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/44
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/44
  Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:8A:84:C0
  Port identity: port number: 44
  PTP version: 2
  Port state: MASTER
  Delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Announce receipt time out: 3
  Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
  Delay Mechanism: End to End
  Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Sync fault limit: 500000000
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/48
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/48
  Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:8A:84:C0
  Port identity: port number: 48
  PTP version: 2
  Port state: MASTER
 Delay request interval(log mean): 0
 Announce receipt time out: 3
 Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
  Delay Mechanism: End to End
  Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Sync fault limit: 500000000
```

#### **Slave Clock**

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp brief** command used to verify the PTP state on the interfaces:

Device# show ptp brief   exc	lude FAULTY	
Interface	Domain	PTP State
tenGigE1/0/12	0	SLAVE
TenGigE1/0/20	0	PASSIVE
TenGigE1/0/23	0	PASSIVE

The following is a sample output of the **show etherchannel summary** command used to verify if the interface configured on each port is an EtherChannel interface:

```
d - default port
A - formed by Auto LAG

Number of channel-groups in use: 1
Number of aggregators: 1

Group Port-channel Protocol Ports
----+
1 Pol(SU) LACP Hu1/0/12(P) Hu1/0/20(P)
Hu1/0/23(P)
```

The following is a sample output of the **show ptp port** command used to verify the port state of each interface:

```
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/12
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/12
 Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:9B:DA:E0
  Port identity: port number: 12
  PTP version: 2
  PTP port number: 12
 PTP slot number: 0
 Port state: SLAVE
  Delay request interval(log mean): 0
 Announce receipt time out: 3
 Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
 Delay Mechanism: End to End
 Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
 Sync fault limit: 500000000
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/20
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/20
  Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:9B:DA:E0
  Port identity: port number: 20
 PTP version: 2
 PTP port number: 20
  PTP slot number: 0
 Port state: PASSIVE
  Delay request interval(log mean): 0
 Announce receipt time out: 3
 Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
  Delay Mechanism: End to End
  Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Sync fault limit: 500000000
Device# show ptp port tengigabitethernet 1/0/23
PTP PORT DATASET: TenGigE1/0/23
  Port identity: clock identity: 0x0:A7:42:FF:FE:9B:DA:E0
  Port identity: port number: 23
  PTP version: 2
  PTP port number: 23
  PTP slot number: 0
  Port state: PASSIVE
  Delay request interval(log mean): 0
 Announce receipt time out: 3
  Announce interval(log mean): 0
  Sync interval(log mean): 0
  Delay Mechanism: End to End
  Peer delay request interval(log mean): 0
  Sync fault limit: 500000000
```

# **Feature History for Generalized Precision Time Protocol**

This table provides release and related information for features explained in this module.

These features are available on all releases subsequent to the one they were introduced in, unless noted otherwise.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Fuji 16.8.1a	Generalized Precision Time Protocol	Generalized Precision Time Protocol (PTP) is an IEEE 802.1AS standard that provides a mechanism to synchronize the clocks of the bridges and end-point devices in a network.  Support for this feature was introduced on all the models of the Cisco Catalyst 9500 Series Switches.
Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.2.1	IEEE802.1AS (gPTP) support on EtherChannel Interfaces	From this release the interface on which you configure generalized PTP can be part of an EtherChannel.  Support for this feature was introduced on all the models of the Cisco Catalyst 9500 Series Switches.

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