Update from IEEE 1588 Study Group

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Status and Face to face Meeting

- Status
  - PAR submitted to IEEE SA
  - Could be approved mid-June
  - Next voice conference: June 5
- Face to face meeting
  - NIST, Gaithersburg Maryland
  - April 2-3
  - 54 Participants
  - Largest constituent groups
    - Academia/Government Labs 14
    - Telecom/Networking 14
    - General Silicon 7

Quotes from the PAR

"The protocol enhances support for synchronization to better than 1 nanosecond. "

"… and provides for the management of protocol artifacts in devices including an SNMP-compliant MIB"

"Optional specifications are provided for protocol security. "

"This standard documents conditions under which this standard is backward compatible with IEEE 1588-2008."

Quotes from the PAR

"This standard will correct known technical and editorial errors in IEEE 1588-2008, including message path and timestamp point issues and layer violation. "

"It will clarify the layering, interfaces and protocol of the IEEE 1588-2008 standard, including the behavior of systems that deploy different protocol options. "

"It will improve the protocol's security and management capabilities, accuracy, robustness, and flexibility."

Proposals Reviewed

- 72 Proposals
  - Most are maintenance items: "fix know errors", clarifications, …
- Some Highlights amongst Recommended Proposals
  - + Faster BMCA for networks with a many master capable devices
  - + 802.11 mapping using 802.11v measurement mechanism
  - + Multilane Ethernet
  - + Multi masters
  - + Multiple paths
- Proposals Not Recommended
  - Modify Announce semantics
  - Allow for use of other multicast addresses
  - TC internal timestamp transfer standard

Next Steps

- Phone/webex conference
  - Wednesday June 5
  - 11 am EDT
  - I need a webex meeting co-host
- PAR approval mid June
  - If all goes well
- Working Group formed in July
- Next Face to face meeting
  - Sept
  - After ISPCS
  - Lemgo, Germany
  - We would like to test 802.1AS at the Plugfest