

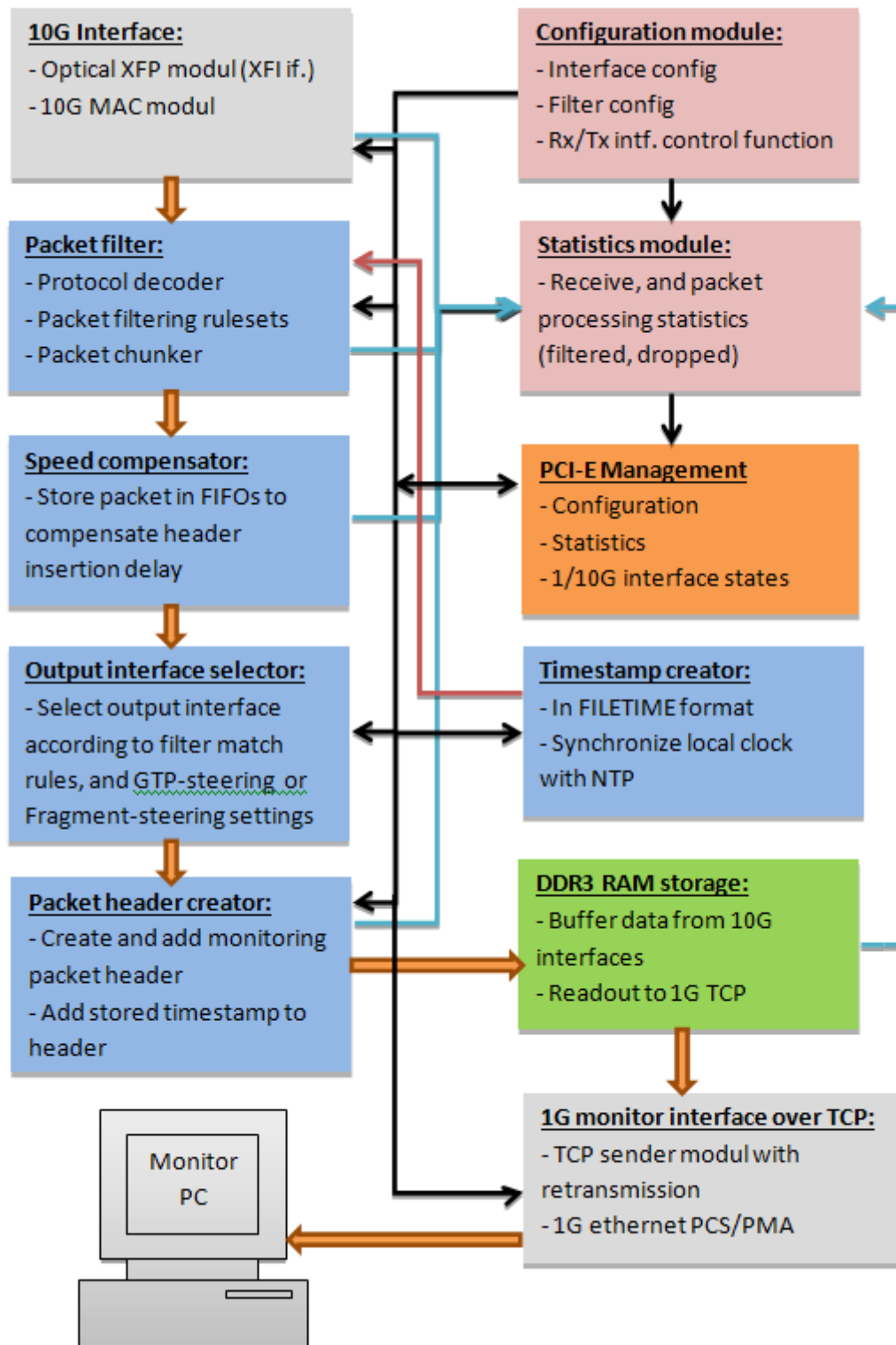


C-GEP 20 10 Gb/s Monitoring application



1. C-GEP 20 operational block diagram

1.1. Packet processing path



1.1.1. Fig – Packet processing module hierarchy

The incoming packets are processed in a pipelined architecture during packet processing. This means, that the modules are serially connected one after another, the output of the previous module is the input for the next module in the chain. This architecture results in constant packet processing delay.

Constant delay is not applicable for the following modules:

- Packet header creator module (an overhead is added to every packet)
- DDR3 RAM storage module (variable delay for DDR3 read/write access)
- TCP output module (depends on the far end receivers processing speed)

The main reason for variable delay are the FIFO-s used for temporary storage, and shared network resources.

Figure 3.1.1 shows a simplified module hierarchy. Besides packet processor modules management, and statistics functions are shown too. Arrows show the direction of the internal data bus system.

Colored paths:

- Orange: monitored data flow
- Black: communication, control
- Blue: statistics
- Red: timestamp

The next chapters give a functional description from every module in the datapath.

1.1.2. *10G interface module*

The CGEP-20 has 2 optical XFP cages. The XFP modules have an XFI electrical host interface (2x1 wires at 10.3125 GHz, 64b/66b coding), the FPGA connects directly to this interface.

The MAC module is responsible for detecting the ethernet frames, removes the preamble, and aligns the received data on the first byte of the internal 64 bit bus. It also verifies the CRC32 checksum of the received ethernet frame.

There is no data throttling at this point, everything passes through with a constant delay, therefore frame loss can not occur here, the framesize has to be in the range specified by the 802.3 standard.

1.1.3. *Packet Filter module*

The packet filter module contains many processing submodules determined by the application type. Basic submodules are the „Protocol Decoder”, „Packet Filtering” and „Packet Chunker”.

Also timestamping of the processed frames is handled on this level, the high precision timestamp is ensured by the „Timestamp Creator” submodule using NTP protocol. From this point the timestamp travels parallel with the monitor data to the „Packet Header Creator”.

The „Protocol Decoder” is responsible for determining the packet header structure, and reading out the protocol specific fields relevant for packet processing.

The following protocol fields are supported:

- 802.1Q VLAN
- IPv4 Addresses
- L3+ protocols:
 - MPLS (2 levels)
 - VLAN
 - UDP/TCP
 - GTP-U

The „Packet Filtering” submodule fits the filtering rules on the incoming packets, and determines the additional processing needed depending on the filtering decision. The rules are ordered in hierarchy, that means, that the one on top has the highest priority. After the first matching rule is found, subsequent rules are ignored.

Filter rule setup:

- *Traffic distribution* (From - To)
 - The C-GEP 20 monitoring firmware distributes matching packets evenly between the specified interfaces.
- *LinkID*

- This field appears in the monitoring header as additional data.
- *Catch All* option
 - All incoming frames match the filter if enabled.
- *Filter Mode*
 - What to do with the matching packet:
 - Pass: packet is passed to the next processing module.
 - Drop: the packet is dropped.
- *Filter rule*
 - Normal mode: Source and Destination IP Address filtering
 - Swapping mode: Filter for Source and Destination IP Address match and for the transposed matches too (received Src = filter Dst, received Dst = filter Src)
- *VLAN ID* (From - To)
 - Filter for VLAN TAG value range. The packet has to contain a valid VLAN header, and the TAG value must be in the range specified by the From – To parameters.
- *Source IP* (From - To)
 - Filter for Source IP Address range. The packet has to contain a valid IP header, and the Source/(*** or Destination) Address must be in the range specified by the From – To parameters. (***filter rule swapping)
- *Destination IP* (From - To)
 - Filter for Destination IP Address range. The packet has to contain a valid IP header, and the Destination/(*** or Source) Address must be in the range specified by the From – To parameters. (***filter rule swapping)
- *IP Protocol*
 - Filter for the protocol field of the IP header. Can be specified by the byte code of the protocol, or selectable for TCP and UDP protocols.

- *Source Port*
 - Filter for the UDP/TCP source port value. The packet has to contain a valid UDP or TCP header, and the source port must equal to the one specified.
- *Destination Port*

- Filter for the UDP/TCP destination port value. The packet has to contain a valid UDP or TCP header, and the destination port must equal to the one specified.
- *Truncate*
 - You can specify how many bytes to save from every incoming frame. This means that the maximum of this many bytes are captured, if the frame is shorter, then this setting has no effect. This option is important to conserve monitoring and processing bandwidth as only the useful information is forwarded. Packet truncate falls always on a 8 byte boundary. (If the value specified can not be divided by 8 without a remainder, then it will be rounded up).

If the packet passes the filtering rule then we pass it on to the next processing unit.

1.1.4. *Speed compensator module*

The output of the „Packet Filter” module is connected to the „Speed compensator”. The filtered packets are tagged with an extension (monitoring) header. The „Speed compensator” has to ensure that data is buffered for the additional delay introduced by the „Packet Header Creator” modules header insertion function.

Warning! Packet loss may occur if the total bandwidth of the original data, and the added monitoring header exceeds 10 Gbps!

1.1.5. *Output Interface selector/steering module*

Specifies the output interface according to the matching rule, or distributes traffic evenly across the specified output interfaces.

Steering function:

- GTP-U steering:
 - Identified GTP-U traffic is distributed across the specified outputs. Packets belonging to the same flow are always forwarded to the same output interface.
 - Distribution is done by a lookup table, and calculated hash values derived from the following fields:
 - GTP-U TEID value
 - contained IPv4 Source Address
 - contained IPv4 Destination Address
 - contained IPv4 Protocol ID
- Fragment steering:
 - Identified fragmented IP traffic is distributed across the specified outputs. Packets belonging to the same flow are always forwarded to the same output interface.
 - Distribution is done by a lookup table, and calculated hash values derived from the following fields:
 - IPv4 Source Address
 - IPv4 Destination Address
 - IPv4 Fragment ID
 - IPv4 Protocol ID

1.1.6. *Packet header creator module*

The „Packet header creator” module adds a monitoring header to the packets passing the filter module. This header is inserted before the ethernet header, and contains information needed for further software analysis. Assembled packets are written into FIFOs. The queue readout depends on the 1 Gb/s output interfaces TCP throughput.

The „Packet header creator” module controls the packet assembly by communicating with the „Speed compensator” module. **If the incoming and**

filtered packet stream has a higher throughput than the 1 Gb/s output interface, then packet loss can occur in the „Speed compensator” module!

The monitoring header structure is shown in chapter 3.2.

1.1.7. *DDR3 RAM storage module*

Filtered and headered monitoring packets are written into the DDR3 memory modules connected to the FPGA. The DDR3 memory is divided to that many independent buffers as many output interfaces are present.

- **The buffer space assigned to a given output interface gets full if the 1 Gb/s TCP module has lower read throughput. In this case packet loss can occur!**
- **If no TCP connection is present, then no DDR3 write operation is made, all packets addressed to the given output interface are dropped.**

For optimal DDR3 read/write speed we have to access the module in burst mode. This means, that the controller module buffers at least 1 Kbyte data, and then writes it in one step into the DDR3 memory. If no new packet arrives in a given time (timeout value is configurable), then fill-in packets are sent to load the buffer up to 1Kbyte. This ensures, that no short packets get stuck inside the buffers (also acts as keep-alive for the TCP connection). If there is traffic to be routed to a given output interface, then no fill in packets are inserted.

1.1.8. *„1G monitor Interface over TCP” module*

The packets read out from the DDR3 temporal buffer are sent through an 1 Gb/s TCP connection to the monitoring PC listening on the receiving side. The TCP stack implemented in the FPGA supports data streaming between the C-GEP 20 and the monitoring PC. If packet loss occurs during the transmission, then the lost TCP segments get retransmitted. Retransmission buffer sizes are between 8 and 32 Kbyte. Assuming an optimal case of a point-to-point TCP connection and a powerful PC without load, a simple receiver software can achieve data speeds slightly above 900 Mb/s.

If the TCP module does not read out packets fast enough from the DDR3 module because of far-end throttling, or TCP retransmissions, then packet

loss can occur if the DDR3 memory segment for the given output interface gets full!

1.1.9. *Timestamp creator module*

The C-GEP 20 device contains an internal clock source for timestamping. The „Timestamp creator” module synchronizes the local clock by using „NTP” protocol. The NTP client inside the module synchronizes to a given NTP servers reference clock by using our own control algorithm for smooth offset equalization.

This module is responsible for generating the timestamp in FILETIME format used in monitoring header creation.

1.1.10. *Configuration module*

The „Configuration” module is responsible for initializing and controlling the network interfaces and data processing modules, and also can disable or reset some parts of the C-GEP device. Configuration commands are sent through the PCI-E user interface.

The „Configuration” module is connected to the following modules:

- 10 Gb/s interface: disable the reception of ethernet frames, can reset the MAC module, disable or enable traffic mirroring (far-end loopback function).
- Packet Filter: upload filtering rules.
- Output interface selector: assign output interfaces for the filtering rules, set up IP fragment, and GTP-U steering.
- 1 Gb/s monitor interface over TCP: set up the network parameters for the monitor-interfaces: source and destination IP Addresses, ports. Output interfaces can be disabled separately if needed.
- NTP client: set the IP address of the NTP client, the remote NTP server, and the NTP update frequency.

1.1.11. *Statistics module*

The purpose of the „Statistics” module is to collect counter values, and maintain an event log. Statistics and events are then presented on the Web-interface.

The module maintains the following counters:

- Frames received on the 10 Gb/s interface
- Frames received with CRC error on the 10 Gb/s interface
- Frames received by filtering rule match
- Frames dropped during packet processing (Speed compensator module, Header Creator module)
- Frames dropped because of data transfer queueing (DDR3 RAM storage, TCP throttling)

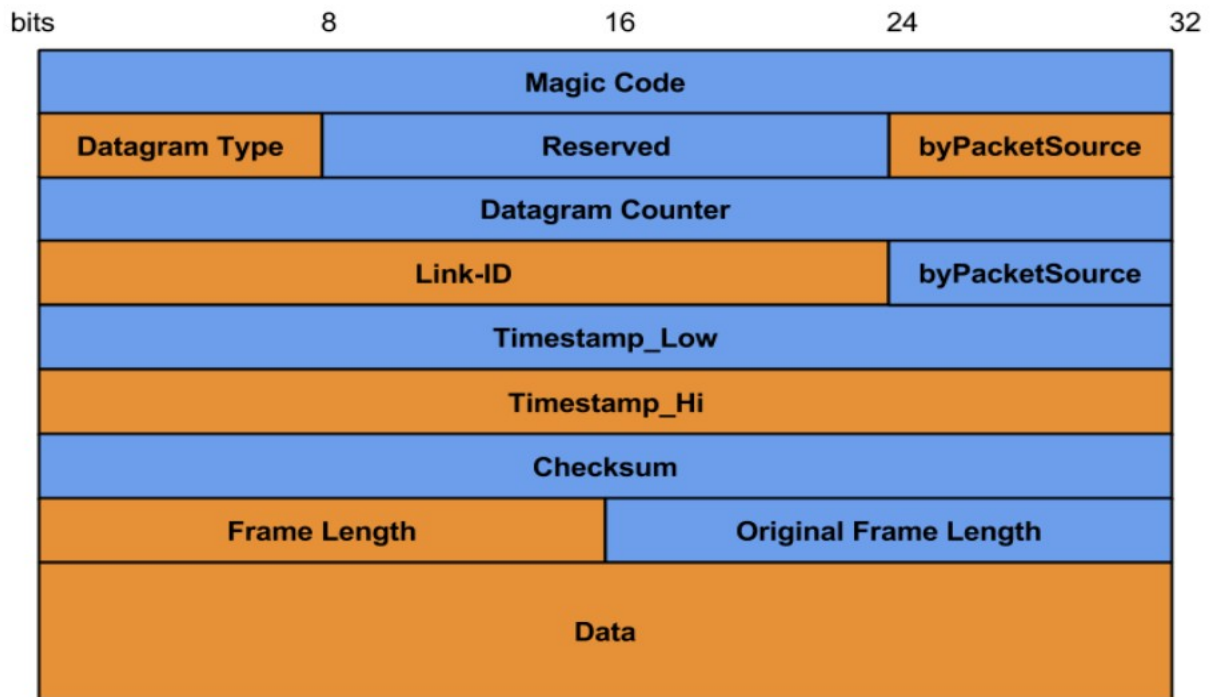
The module watches for the following event occurrences:

- Frame loss
- Was there traffic in the last time interval? (default value: 5 minutes)
- Status of the NTP synchronization
- Link statuses for the 1 Gb/s and 10 Gb/s interfaces

Other internal state variables:

- FPGA temperature
- FPGA firmware release date
- Time on the FPGA, and on the management PC

1.2. Monitoring header structure



1.2.1. Figure – Structure of the monitoring header

1. Magic code: 32 bit value. The monitoring software seeks for the first header by synchronizing to the magic code value in the TCP stream. After the first valid header is found, a sync lock is achieved, and following the data another valid header must follow.

Field value for this application: 0x07172738

2. Datagram type: 8 bit value. Type of the transferred packet.

Value:

- 0: Fill-in packet
- 1: monitored data packet

3. Reserved: 16 bit, value 0.
4. byPacketSource: 8 bit value. Contains the monitored 10 Gb/s interfaces ID value.
5. Datagram counter: 32 bit value. The value of this counter increases by every data packet. Packet loss is detected by observing this counter.

6. Link-ID: 24 bit value. The ID of the monitoring output interface.
7. byPacketSource: 8 bit value. Contains the monitored 10 Gb/s interfaces ID value.
8. Timestamp_LOW: The first 32 bits of the 64 bit timestamp. The timestamp is in FILETIME format, showing the frame's time of reception on the 10 Gb/s interface.
9. Timestamp_HI: The last 32 bits of the 64 bit timestamp. The timestamp is in FILETIME format, showing the frame's time of reception on the 10 Gb/s interface.
10. Checksum: 32 bit value. Byte sum of the header fields and data bytes.
11. Frame-length: 16 bit value, contains the carried data without the size of the header. If truncate is enabled for the filter matching the packet, and the original frame length was bigger than the truncate length, then this value is equal to the truncate length.
12. Original Frame-length: 16 bit value, contains the original length of the received Ethernet frame.
13. Data: Data field, contains the Ethernet frame partially or completely depending on the truncate setting. The size of the data field is always divisible by 8, because of the internal bus-width used during packet processing. The value of the padding bytes after the data field is unspecified, and must be ignored.

1.3. C-GEP 20 services

- C-GEP 20 Web-UI:
 - This Web interface is responsible for configuring, and managing the C-GEP 20 device. The Web-UI provides access to the different statistic counters, and events that occurred on the device. The Web-UI service is realized by using an Apache web-server, and uses html, php and javascript code.
 - The C-GEP Web-UI queries FPGA counters periodically over the PCI-E interface, and produces raw event codes for further processing. The query interval is 1 minute, the poller-client transfers these events to the poller-server.
 - cg_poller - Poller-client program:
 - Client program responsible for processing statistics and events produced by the C-GEP 20 device, and transferring them to the 7N-poller (monitor-server) application.
 - The Poller-client periodically looks for new events (poll interval), and converts this data to a format understandable by the poller-server.
 - The Poller-client connects to the Poller-server by TCP. After that the server sends an „authentication-request” message, and the client responds with a „version” message. The C-GEP device must be registered (IP, and port) on the server-side, otherwise the poller connection won't get accepted.

- `cgep_tool`: this program is responsible for the low level I/O communication between the C-GEP device, and the operating system. The Web-UI uses this tool to communicate with the FPGA too.

Usage: `cgep_tool <Command> <arg(s)>`

Commands:

`g <reg_address>` = Get register value

`s <reg_address> <reg_value>` = Set register value

`k <reg_address> <nr_of_DWORDS>` = sink data from register to file

`f <reg_address> <file_name>` = Flood file to address

`x <command_file>` = eXecute commands in file

`t <reg_address>` = Set Timestamp (filetime)

The program can be called from command line too, but this usage is for debug purposes only!

1.3.1. *Raw event codes defined for the C-GEP 20:*

Interface events

| CODE | DATA | Meaning | Interface |
|-------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 0x10 | - | Signal OK | XFP 0 |
| 0x11 | - | Signal Lost | XFP 0 |
| 0x20 | - | Signal OK | XFP 1 |
| 0x21 | - | Signal Lost | XFP 1 |
| 0x30 | - | TCP connected | SFP 0 |
| 0x31 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 0 |
| 0x32 | - | TCP connected | SFP 1 |
| 0x33 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 1 |
| 0x34 | - | TCP connected | SFP 2 |
| 0x35 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 2 |
| 0x36 | - | TCP connected | SFP 3 |
| 0x37 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 3 |
| 0x38 | - | TCP connected | SFP 4 |
| 0x39 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 4 |
| 0x3A | - | TCP connected | SFP 5 |
| 0x3B | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 5 |
| 0x3C | - | TCP connected | SFP 6 |
| 0x3D | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 6 |
| 0x3E | - | TCP connected | SFP 7 |
| 0x3F | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 7 |
| 0x40 | - | TCP connected | SFP 8 |
| 0x41 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 8 |
| 0x42 | - | TCP connected | SFP 9 |
| 0x43 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 9 |
| 0x44 | - | TCP connected | SFP 10 |
| 0x45 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 10 |
| 0x46 | - | TCP connected | SFP 11 |
| 0x47 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 11 |
| 0x48 | - | TCP connected | SFP 12 |
| 0x49 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 12 |
| 0x4A | - | TCP connected | SFP 13 |
| 0x4B | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 13 |
| 0x4C | - | TCP connected | SFP 14 |
| 0x4D | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 14 |
| 0x4E | - | TCP connected | SFP 15 |
| 0x4F | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 15 |
| 0x50 | - | TCP connected | SFP 16 |
| 0x51 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 16 |
| 0x52 | - | TCP connected | SFP 17 |
| 0x53 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 17 |
| 0x54 | - | TCP connected | SFP 18 |
| 0x55 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 18 |
| 0x56 | - | TCP connected | SFP 19 |
| 0x57 | - | TCP connection lost | SFP 19 |
| 0x60 | - | NTP: Eth. link down | SFP 20 |
| 0x61 | - | NTP: ARP timeout | SFP 20 |
| 0x62 | - | NTP: NTP timeout | SFP 20 |
| 0x63 | - | NTP: Delay fail | SFP 20 |
| 0x64 | - | NTP: Config. error | SFP 20 |
| 0x65 | - | NTP: usrt error | SFP 20 |
| 0x66 | - | NTP: Sync. skipped | SFP 20 |
| 0x67 | offset in usec | NTP: Sync. OK | SFP 20 |

Management events

| CODE | Meaning |
|------|--|
| 0xA0 | Filter settings has been changed |
| 0xA1 | NTP settings has been changed |
| 0xA2 | GTP-U/Fragment steering settings has been changed |
| 0xA3 | Interface settings has been changed |
| 0xA4 | Filter configuration has been set / uploaded |
| 0xA5 | Interface configuration has been set / uploaded |
| 0xA6 | NTP configuration has been set / uploaded |
| 0xA7 | Poller settings has been changed and poller has been restarted |
| 0xA8 | Board has been reseted |
| 0xA9 | Board Configuration has been uploaded |
| 0xAA | Board IP address has been modified |
| 0xAB | Board shutdown |
| 0xAC | Board reboot in progress |
| 0xAD | Board firmware upload in progress |

Counters and internal sensors

| CODE | DATA | Meaning |
|------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 0xF0 | counter | Badframes counter on XFP 0 |
| 0xF1 | counter | Badframes counter on XFP 1 |
| 0xF2 | counter | Received frames counter on XFP 0 |
| 0xF3 | counter | Received frames counter on XFP 1 |
| 0xF4 | counter | Lost frames (summ) |
| 0xFA | temp in C | Temperature FPGA |

Event codes defined by the Poller-server

| CODE | Type | Meaning |
|------|---------|--|
| 0019 | ERROR | NTP ERROR (NTP Server Timeout) |
| 0020 | ERROR | Monitor: Network ERROR (Interface down, ARP error, etc.) |
| 0021 | ERROR | Monitor: Too high clock adjustment |
| 2000 | MESSAGE | C-GEP20: Monitor connected |
| 2001 | ERROR | C-GEP20: Monitor disconnected |
| 2002 | MESSAGE | C-GEP20: 10 Gbit/s intf. signal OK |
| 2003 | ERROR | C-GEP20: 10 Gbit/s intf. signal lost |
| 2004 | ERROR | C-GEP20: Bad frames (XFP) |
| 2005 | ERROR | C-GEP20: Lost frames (XFP) |
| 2006 | MESSAGE | C-GEP20: Filter config. changed/set |
| 2007 | MESSAGE | C-GEP20: Intf. config. changed/set |
| 2008 | ERROR | C-GEP20 reseted |
| 2009 | ERROR | C-GEP20: Temperature is too high. |
| 2010 | ERROR | C-GEP20: No traffic in the last 1 min. |

Counters

| CODE | Meaning |
|-------------|--|
| 9000 | C-GEP20: Number of received frames (XFP) |
| 9001 | C-GEP20: Number of bad frames (XFP) |
| 9002 | C-GEP20: Number of lost frames |

2. NTP (Network Time Protocol) based time synchronization

2.1. Configuration

The NTP configuration settings are accessible from the Web-UI:

- IP Address of the NTP server
- IP Address of the NTP client
- Maximum interval between timing synchronizations

2.2. Startup

After receiving and validating the settings, the NTP client tries to set the initial clock value. If it fails, then retries are sent in every second. Synchronization to the server begins after setting the initial time.

2.3. Length of the synchronization period

During normal operation the NTP client module synchronizes to the reference clock with an increasing period. The length of the first interval is 16 seconds, and gradually increases to the maximal value of 512 seconds.

The actual synchronization period doubles when the offset value between the clocks of the NTP client and NTP server are less than the predefined threshold value (`tstepUP_threshold = 100us`), or the interval reached the maximum value (max. 512 s). Whenever the offset value between the clock of the NTP client and server exceeds a predefined threshold (`tstepDOWN_threshold = 50 us`), the synchronization period will be reset to the minimum value (16 s). After that the previously mentioned interval doubling method is used.

The `tstepUP_threshold = 100us` and `tstepDOWN_threshold = 50 us` are constant values defined in firmware code.

2.4. Synchronization burst

The NTP client uses the „burst” mode, meaning that the message with the least round-trip-delay (RTT) of 8 consecutive messages is used to calculate the offset for the controller.

2.5. Synchronizing the internal clock

The C-GEP 20's internal clock depends on the offset indicated by the NTP server, the length of the synchronization period, and the internal variables of the control loop. The control algorithm sets the incrementum of an internal counter during the synchronization periods. (this counter is the internal clock)

There are no abrupt clock changes, the speed of the internal clock gets continuously corrected according the time difference between the C-GEP device and the NTP server. The offset between the NTP client and server is smoothed by a control algorithm.

The offset value mainly depends on network response time changes. Network devices between the C-GEP 20 and the NTP server (router, switch) increase the response time spread, resulting a highly variable offset. The offset changes are continuously smoothed by the control algorithm according to RFC-5905.

Suggestion: The C-GEP 20 and NTP server must be „close enough” to prevent high offset spread, meaning, that as less as possible network components are allowed between them. If thats not possible, then the NTP server and C-GEP 20 must be assigned to the same high priority VLAN segment.

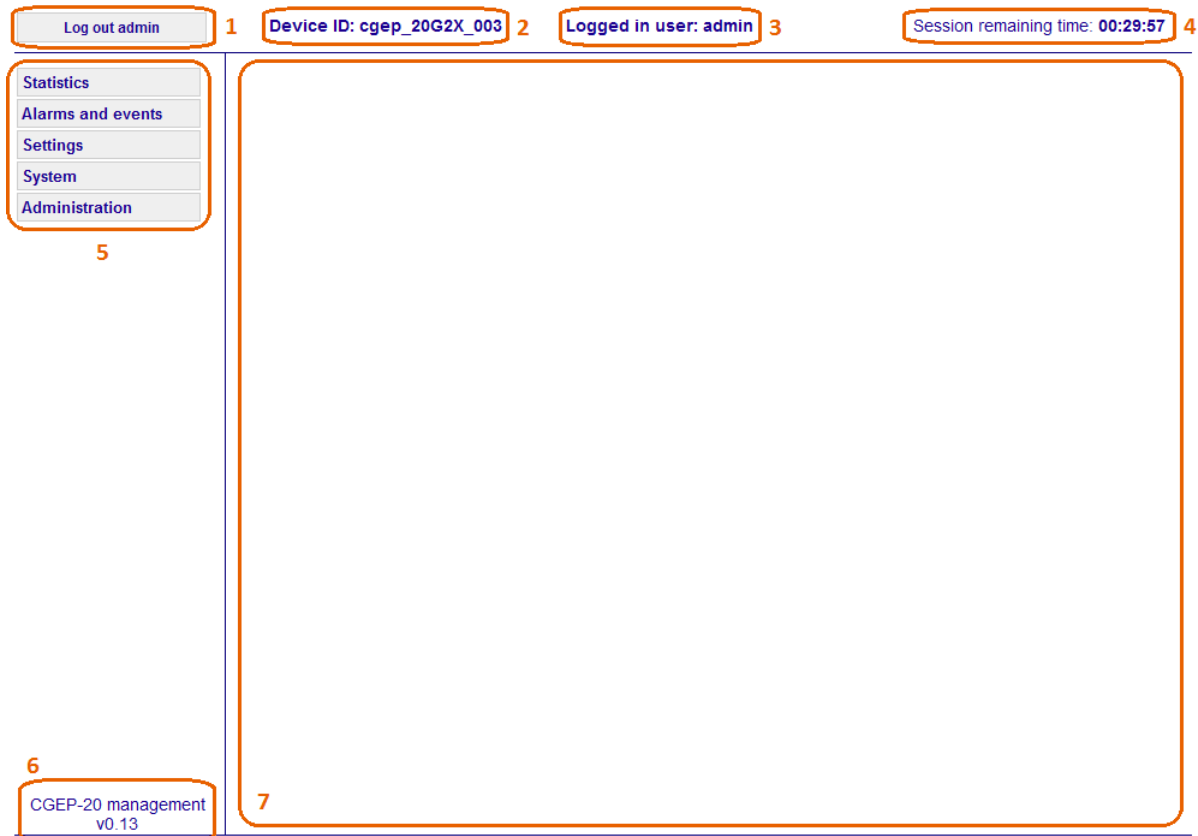
2.6. What is the clock change resolution?

Time resolution inside the NTP module:

- The lower 32 bits of the NTP timestamp represents the fractional part of seconds. This means, that one value quantum is 2^{-32} seconds. (233 ps)
- The FPGA's timestamp module uses a clock source of 125 MHz, so the highest achievable resolution is 8 ns.
- The timestamp in the monitoring header is in FILETIME format, this results in a 100 ns resolution.

3. Graphical User Interface – Web Interface

The C-GEP 20 has a graphical user interface accessible from any web browser for configuring and maintaining the device. The user must log into the device by supplying a user name and password on the login screen. After successful authentication the main window appears as shown on the fig. 5.1 below.



5.1. Fig. – C-GEP 20 WebUI

1. Logout for active user.
2. The device ID of the C-GEP 20.
3. User name of the currently logged in users.
4. Time remaining from the current session. The user is logged out if the timer runs out, every user activity resets the timer.
5. Menu items.
6. Web-UI version number.
7. Content for the currently selected menu item.

3.1. „Statistics” menu

Statistics menu item structure:

- Statistics
 - Current
 - Monitor status
 - Time
 - Archived

„Current” submenu:

The screenshot shows the 'CGEP-20 statistics' page. On the left is a navigation menu with 'Statistics' selected, and 'Current' as the active submenu item. The main content area displays a grid of SFP and XFP status icons. Below this is a table of statistics for XFP #0 and XFP #1.

| | XFP #0 | XFP #1 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Received frames | 0 | 0 |
| Filtered frames | 0 | 0 |
| Errored frames | 0 | 0 |
| Lost frames: | | 0 |

| Filtered frames | |
|---|---|
| Filter #0 - monitor: M00 - M00 (SFP #0 - 0) | 0 |
| Not specified | 0 |
| Not specified | 0 |
| Not specified | 0 |
| Not specified | 0 |

3.1.1. Fig. – „Current” menu

The statistics collected by C-GEP 20 are shown under the „Statistics/Current” menu.

The pictograms above show the status of the SFP/XFP modules:

SFP/XFP link states:

- Red: module not plugged
- Orange: module present, no link
- Green: link ok

XFP interface statistics:

- Received frames: Number of received frames on the 10 Gb/s interface.
- Filtered frames: Number of frames matching at least one filter-rule.
- Errored frames: Number of frames received with CRC checksum error.

XFP and SFP interface statistics:

- Lost frames: Frames dropped on the input and output side of the processing chain.

SFP interface statistics:

- Filtered frames: Number of frames that matches the given filter, and is used to forward the packet to a monitor.

„*Monitor status*” submenu:

Log out admin Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003 Logged in user: admin Session remaining time: 00:29:49

Statistics

- Current
- Monitor status**
- Time
- Archived

Alarms and events

Settings

System

Administration

TCP connection status

| # | Monitor ID | Status |
|---|------------|-----------------|
| 0 | M00 | connection lost |
| 1 | M01 | connection lost |
| 2 | M02 | connection lost |
| 3 | M03 | connection lost |
| 4 | M04 | connection lost |
| 5 | M05 | connection lost |
| 6 | M06 | connection lost |

3.1.2. Fig. – „Monitor status” menu

Shows the C-GEP 20 monitoring TCP connection status:

- Green: Connected. Active error free state
- Red: Connection lost. Error in connection, not connected.

„*Time*” submenu:

3.1.3. Fig. – „Time” menu

Shows the internal clocks of the C-GEP 20 device:

- current internal clock value of the NTP client used for timestaming (Time for 10G interfaces)
- current internal clock value of the mini-PC

„*Archived*” submenu:

3.1.4. Fig. – „Archived” menu

The C-GEP 20 saves the statistic counter values into a database every 15 minutes. The statistic counter values are reset at the same time. The „Archived” submenu allows us to view previously saved statistics. You can select a specific date from the date picker, and hit the „Filter” button. The statistic period can be selected from the list below. The timestamp of the entry shows the exact moment the counters were saved, and then reset. Clicking on one of the entries the actual statistics are show in a window popup (without showing the status LED-s) like on the current statistics page.

3.2. „Alarms and events” menu

Log out admin Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003 Logged in user: admin Session remaining time: 00:29:42

Statistics
Alarms and events
Settings
System
Administration

Alarms and events Export

Date from: 2014-11-07 to: 2014-11-07 Type: Normal Filter

| Alarms and events | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2014-11-07 09:38:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #3) |
| 2014-11-07 09:38:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #2) |
| 2014-11-07 09:38:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #1) |
| 2014-11-07 09:38:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #0) |
| 2014-11-07 09:36:47 | Filter configuration has been set |
| 2014-11-07 09:36:36 | Filter settings has been changed |
| 2014-11-07 09:36:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #3) |
| 2014-11-07 09:36:01 | TCP: connected (SFP #2) |

3.2.1. Fig. – „Alarms and events” menu

This menu is for viewing the occurred events during the operation of the C-GEP 20 device. The start and end date of the query can be selected, and the event type too.

The event type can be selected from the drop down menu, and then the „Filter” button must be pressed.

Event types:

- Normal: Events occurring during normal operation including NTP synchronization events.
- Warning: Non critical error event, user intervention is needed. Fe.: packet loss.
- Error: Functional or physical error. Fe.: FPGA error, or link loss
- Info: Other informations. Fe.: NTP time offset value
- All (without info): Display all events except the *Info*.

Remark: Depending on the selected time interval it can take several minutes until the events are displayed!

3.3. Settings menu

„Settings” menu structure:

- Settings
 - Filters
 - Monitors / interf.
 - Packet Steering
 - NTP
 - Poller
 - Export / import

„Filters” submenu

After clicking on the „Settings” menu, the most used „Filters” submenu appears. The „Filters” submenu contains the 32 C-GEP 20 filter rules (0 – 31). The first rule (0.) has the highest priority in the filtering decision, and the last (31.) has the lowest priority.

Log out admin Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003 Logged in user: admin Session remaining time: 00:29:56

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Administration


CGEP-20 filter settings

Reload configuration

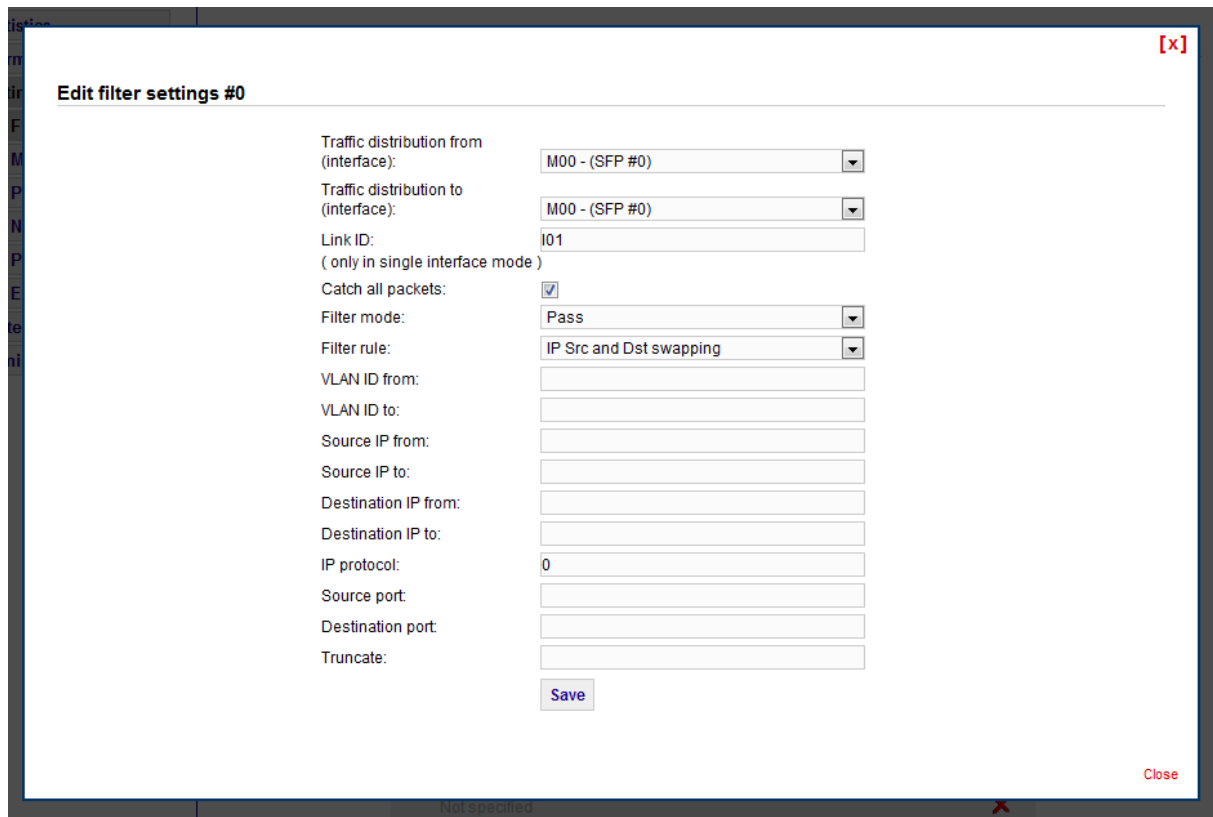
| # | Parameter | Value | |
|---|---|---------------|--|
| 0 | Distribution from: | M00 (SFP #0) | |
| | Distribution to: | M00 (SFP #0) | |
| | Link ID: | I01 | |
| | Filter settings are disabled, catch all packets | | |
| | Filter mode is: | Pass | |
| 1 | Not specified | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| 2 | Not specified | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

3.3.1. Fig. – Filters submenu

The listing view contains the main parameters and its values defined by the actual rule. You can insert a new rule with the button. The new rule gets inserted on the place of the actual rule, the actual rule, and the rules below get shifted down by one. If there are already 32 rules defined, then the last rule is dropped. You can delete the actual rule by pressing the button. The selected rule gets deleted, and the rules below get shifted up by one.

You can edit a given rule by clicking on the  button. The filter settings appear in a popup window as shown on figure 5.3.2.

After editing the new filter configuration changes must be uploaded to the FPGA by pressing the „Reload Configuration” button. The „Reload Configuration” calls the „cgep_tool” which updates the filter rules by register write calls on the PCI-E interface.



Edit filter settings #0 [x]

Traffic distribution from (interface): M00 - (SFP #0)

Traffic distribution to (interface): M00 - (SFP #0)

Link ID: I01
(only in single interface mode)

Catch all packets:

Filter mode: Pass

Filter rule: IP Src and Dst swapping

VLAN ID from:

VLAN ID to:

Source IP from:

Source IP to:

Destination IP from:

Destination IP to:

IP protocol: 0

Source port:

Destination port:

Truncate:

Save

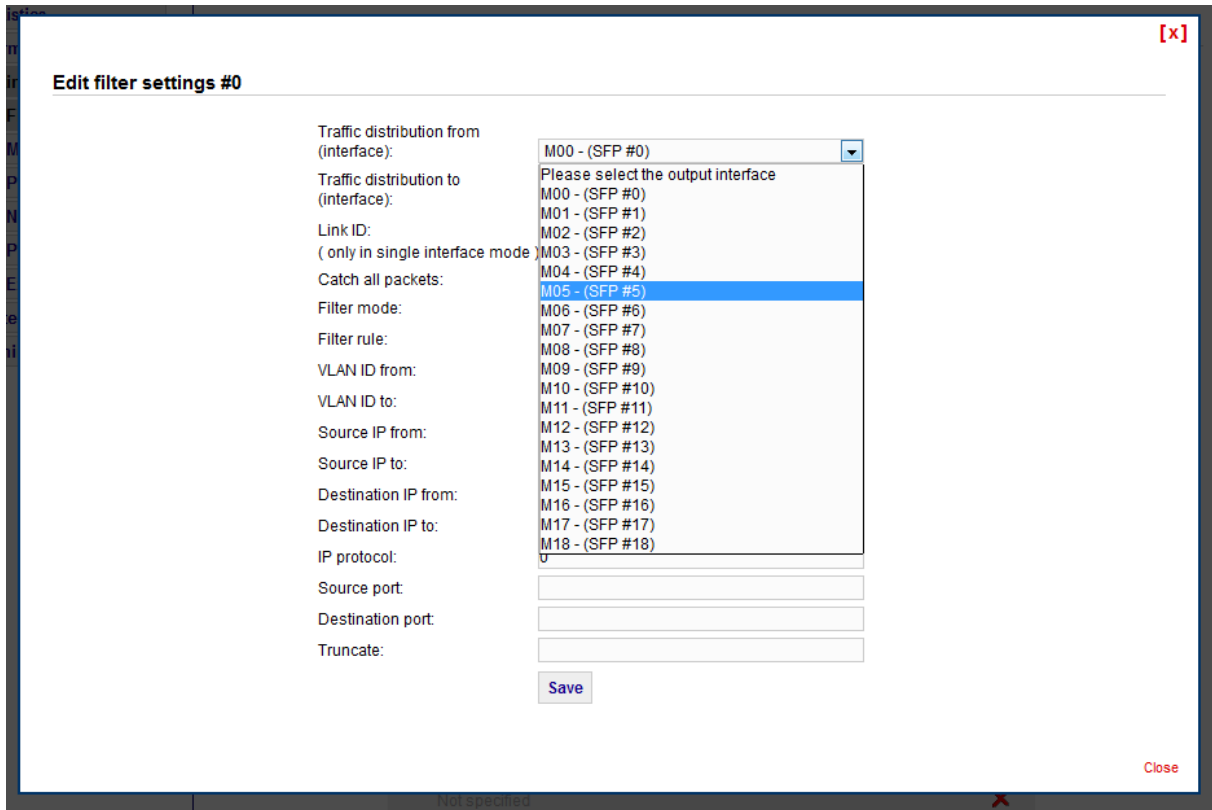
Close

Not specified

3.3.2. Fig. – „Edit filter settings” window

You can see the actually edited filters number after the # in the left upper corner.


The meaning of the filter setting fields are described in chapter 3.1.2: Packet filter module.



5.3.3. Fig. – Output interface selection

Out of the 20 output interfaces only 19 are selectable because one 1 Gb/s interface is reserved for NTP synchronization. Using other synchronization methods (like the custom SGA-ClockCard interface) all 20 1 Gb/s interfaces can be used as monitoring outputs.






„**Monitors / interfaces**” submenu

The „Monitors/interfaces” submenu contains network settings for the 1 Gb/s output interfaces. The list contains the 19 accessible interfaces. You can configure the selected interface by clicking on the  icon.

Log out admin Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003 Logged in user: admin Session remaining time: 00:29:37

CGEP-20 monitor interfaces (SFP)

[Reload configuration](#)

| # | Monitor ID | Source | Destination | |
|---|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---|
| 0 | M00 Link: C00 | 192.168.11.1:7001 | 192.168.11.101:7001 |  |
| 1 | M01 Link: C01 | 192.168.12.2:7001 | 192.168.12.102:7001 |  |
| 2 | M02 Link: C02 | 192.168.13.3:7001 | 192.168.13.103:7001 |  |
| 3 | M03 Link: C03 | 192.168.14.4:7001 | 192.168.14.104:7001 |  |
| 4 | M04 Link: C04 | 192.168.15.5:7001 | 192.168.15.105:7001 |  |

5.3.4 Fig. – „Monitors/interfaces” submenu

The configuration window contains the following parameter settings:

- Monitor ID: This identifies the monitoring interface if no specific link ID is specified (fe. steering)
- Link ID: specifies the filter the packet fits on, see the corresponding monitoring header field
- Source IP: The C-GEP 20 output interface IP address
- Destination IP: The IP address of the monitoring PC connected to the given C-GEP 20 output interface
- TCP source Port: The C-GEP 20 output interface TCP service port
- TCP destination Port: The TCP port assigned to the monitor PC
- Gateway IP: IP address of the gateway if present
- Subnet mask: Subnet mask for network segment

„*Packet Steering*” submenu

The C-GEP 20 device allows the flow based distribution of GTP-U packets and fragmented IPv4 packets between the output interfaces. Packets with the same governing parameters belong to a flow. Steering guarantees, that packets of a given flow are always routed to the same output interface.

Steering by protocol parameters:

- GTP-U (TEID and carried IP addresses)
- Fragmented IPv4 packet (IP addresses and fragment ID)

Steering settings are shown on figure 5.3.5.

The screenshot displays the configuration interface for a CGEP-20 device. At the top, it shows 'Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003' and 'Logged in user: admin'. A sidebar on the left contains navigation options: Statistics, Alarms and events, Settings (selected), Filters, Monitors / interf., Packet Steering (highlighted), NTP, Poller, Export / import, System, and Administration. The main content area is titled 'CGEP-20 IP Fragments steering settings' and includes three dropdown menus: 'IP Fragment steering status' (set to 'enabled'), 'Interface from' (set to 'M00 - (SFP #0)'), and 'Interface to' (set to 'M03 - (SFP #3)'). Below this is the 'CGEP-20 GTP-U steering settings' section, which includes three dropdown menus: 'GTPU steering status' (set to 'disabled'), 'Interface from' (set to 'M01 - (SFP #1)'), and 'Interface to' (set to 'M03 - (SFP #3)'). At the bottom of the settings area are 'Save' and 'Reload configuration' buttons.

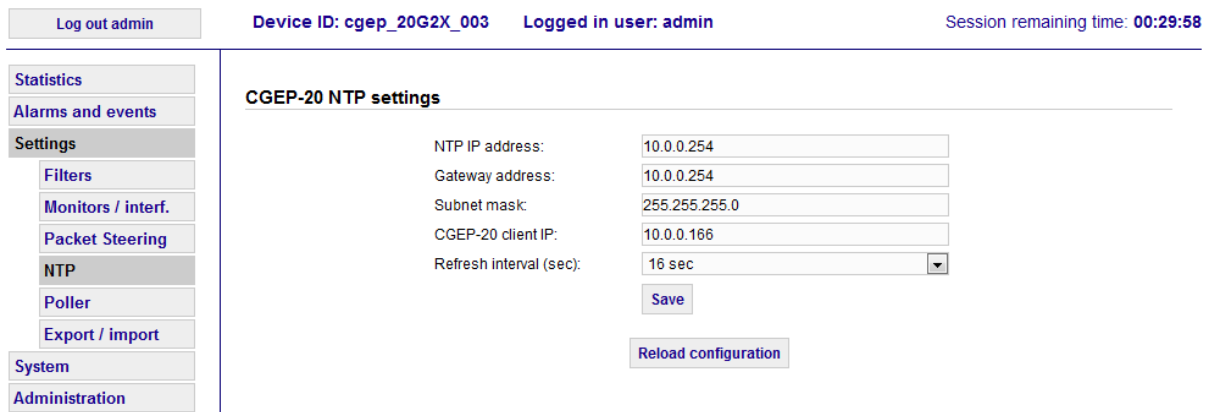
5.3.5. Fig. – „Packet Steering” submenu

After setting up the steering functions, the „Reload configuration” button must be pressed to validate the new values.

Note: Output interface selection defined by steering has higher priority than filtering rules output interface setting. This means, that after the packet is passing the filters the steering can overwrite the output interface assigned by the filters.

„NTP” submenu

The C-GEP 20's NTP client-settings can be defined under the „NTP” submenu.



The screenshot shows a web interface for configuring NTP settings. At the top, there is a navigation bar with "Log out admin", "Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003", "Logged in user: admin", and "Session remaining time: 00:29:58". On the left, a sidebar menu lists various options: Statistics, Alarms and events, Settings (highlighted), Filters, Monitors / interf., Packet Steering, NTP (highlighted), Poller, Export / import, System, and Administration. The main content area is titled "CGEP-20 NTP settings" and contains the following fields:

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| NTP IP address: | <input type="text" value="10.0.0.254"/> |
| Gateway address: | <input type="text" value="10.0.0.254"/> |
| Subnet mask: | <input type="text" value="255.255.255.0"/> |
| CGEP-20 client IP: | <input type="text" value="10.0.0.166"/> |
| Refresh interval (sec): | <input type="text" value="16 sec"/> |

Below the fields are two buttons: "Save" and "Reload configuration".

5.3.6. Fig. – „NTP” submenu

After specifying the NTP server and client addresses the „Reload configuration” button must be pressed to upload the new settings.

„Poller” submenu

This submenu is responsible for configuring the parameters of the C-GEP 20 and 7N-poller connection.

Settings:

- Main Interface ID: C-GEP 20 device ID for 7N-poller.
- Poller IP Address: IP address of the Poller server.
- Poller Port: TCP port number of the Poller server.

- Poller interval: The poller client pulls statistics from the C-GEP 20 after the specified number of seconds passed. The device polls new values in every minute, for now this setting has no effect.
- No traffic alarm interval: If no traffic is detected on the input interfaces in the given time interval, then a „no traffic” event is generated.
- Keep alive: Poller client sends keepAlive messages to the Poller server if set. (poller message, not TCP keepalive)
- Critical core temperature: If FPGA temperature rises higher than the specified value, then an alarm event is generated (may shut down board automatically as well).

5.3.7. Fig. – „Poller” submenu

„*Export / Import*” submenu

This entry is for saving all the settings and values of the device into an xml file, or load it from a file.

5.3.8. Fig – „Export / Import” submenu

3.4. „System” menu

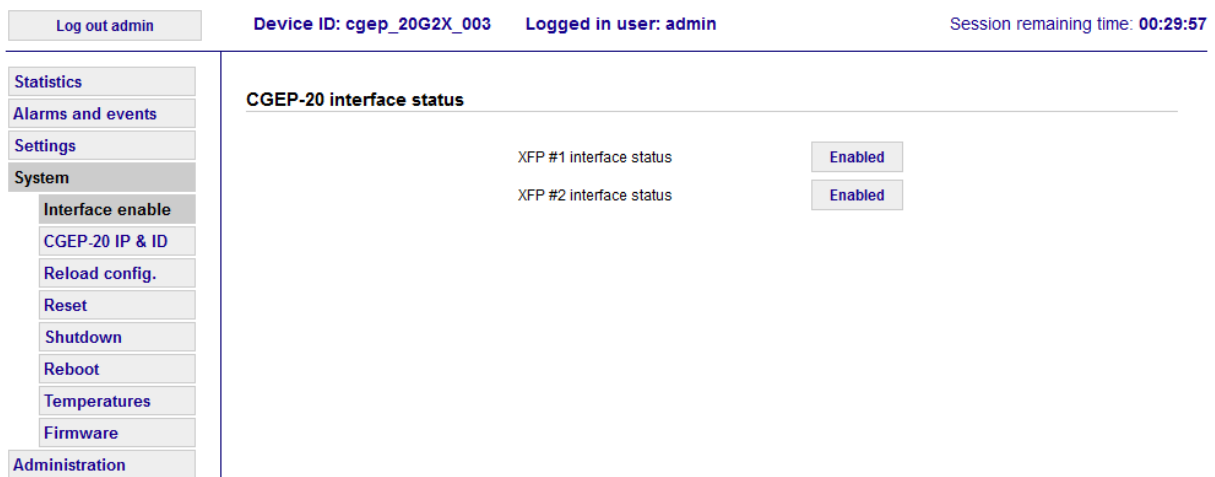
Structure of the „System” menu:

- System
 - Interface enable
 - CGEP-20 IP & ID
 - Reload config.
 - Reset
 - Shutdown
 - Reboot
 - Temperatures
 - Firmware

After clicking on the „System” menu, the most used „Reload Config” submenu appears.

„Interface enable” submenu

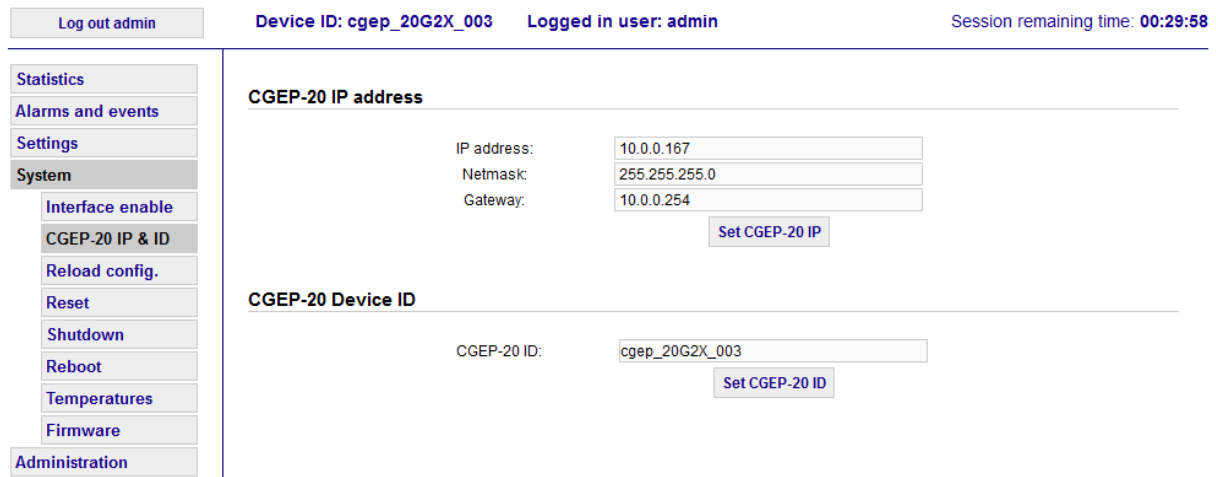
This entry contains the 10 Gb/s input interface controls. You can enable or disable the selected interface by pressing the button. The setting is instant, no restart or configuration reload is needed.



3.4.1. Fig. – „Interface enable” submenu

„C-GEP20 IP & ID” submenu

The „C-GEP 20 IP & ID” submenu is used to assign a unique identification tag (device ID) to the device. Also the C-GEP 20 management interface address can be changed here too. The device must be rebooted for the new IP address to take effect.



The screenshot shows a web interface for configuring a C-GEP20 device. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a "Log out admin" button, the device ID "cgcp_20G2X_003", the logged-in user "admin", and a session timer "00:29:58". On the left, a sidebar menu lists various system functions, with "CGEP-20 IP & ID" highlighted. The main content area is divided into two sections: "CGEP-20 IP address" and "CGEP-20 Device ID". The IP address section contains three input fields for "IP address:" (10.0.0.167), "Netmask:" (255.255.255.0), and "Gateway:" (10.0.0.254), followed by a "Set CGEP-20 IP" button. The Device ID section contains one input field for "CGEP-20 ID:" (cgcp_20G2X_003) and a "Set CGEP-20 ID" button.

3.4.2. Fig. – „C-GEP20 IP & ID” submenu

„Reload config.” submenu

This entry is used to reload all configuration settings. By pressing the „Reload configuration” button all C-GEP 20 interface controllers, XFP and SFP interface modules, and statistic modules get reseted. All filter rules, NTP settings, monitor interface settings are uploaded and updated. An event is also generated and sent to the poller-server.

„Reset” submenu

This entry has the same effect as the „Reload config.” but all FPGA firmware state variables are reseted additionally. This is only needed after firmware update.

„Shutdown” submenu

This entry is for powering down the C-GEP 20 device.

„Reboot” submenu

This entry is for rebooting the management PC located on the C-GEP 20 device. Only needed if the management IP Address is changed.

„Temperatures” submenu

This entry shows the FPGA core temperature. Suggested range is between 0 – 70 grade celsius.

„Firmware” submenu

The „Firmware” submenu is used to refresh the FPGA firmware. After pressing the „Tallózás” (Browse) button in the „New firmware uploading” section the new bit file must be selected. Pressing the „Start” button initiates the firmware update process. After the update is done the „CGEP-20 firmware upload status” shows the end result of the process. The current firmware release date can be seen here too.

Log out admin Device ID: cgep_20G2X_003 Logged in user: admin Session remaining time: 00:29:58

Statistics
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Temperatures
Firmware
Administration

CGEP-20 FPGA firmware release date

| | Date |
|-------|------------|
| FPGA: | 2014.09.15 |

CGEP-20 firmware upload status

Last response: INFO: Upload completed!
Date: Thu Sep 18 12:54:14 CEST 2014

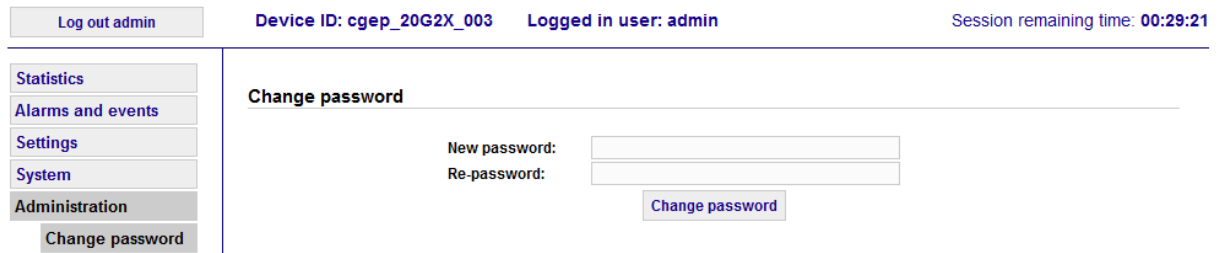
New firmware uploading

Select file: Nincs kijelölve fájl.

3.4.3. Fig. – „Firmware” submenu

3.5. „Administration” menu

The „Administration” submenu is for changing the password for the currently logged in user.



The screenshot shows a web interface with a top navigation bar and a left sidebar. The top bar contains a 'Log out admin' button, the device ID 'cgep_20G2X_003', the logged-in user 'admin', and a session timer '00:29:21'. The sidebar lists menu items: 'Statistics', 'Alarms and events', 'Settings', 'System', 'Administration', and 'Change password'. The 'Administration' menu is expanded, showing the 'Change password' option. The main content area is titled 'Change password' and contains two input fields: 'New password:' and 'Re-password:'. A 'Change password' button is located below the input fields.

5.5.1 Fig. – „Administration” menu