PTPD Characterization of PicoZed Units

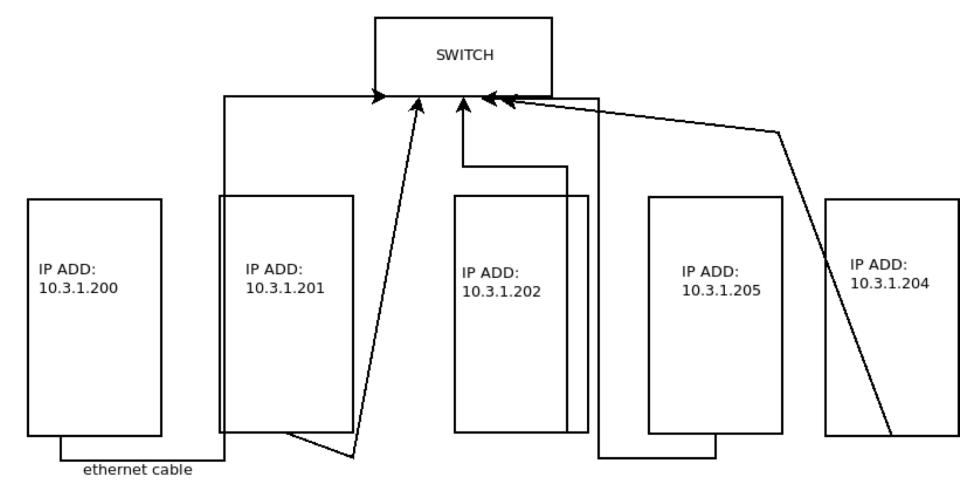
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Overview

- Purpose: initiate a ptpd synchronization process across 4 PicoZed units
- Collect offset data for time intervals
- Gather & analyze statistics of offset for each clock to demonstrate performance

Hardware Configuration

- Each PicoZed consists of an SOM and FMC Carrier Card
- The SD chip is attached to the unit, and each PicoZed unit is connected to a common switch through ethernet cable
- Each PicoZed unit is also connected to power supply
- IP addresses of each unit: 10.3.1.200, 10.3.1.201, 10.3.1.202, 10.3.1.205, 10.3.1.204



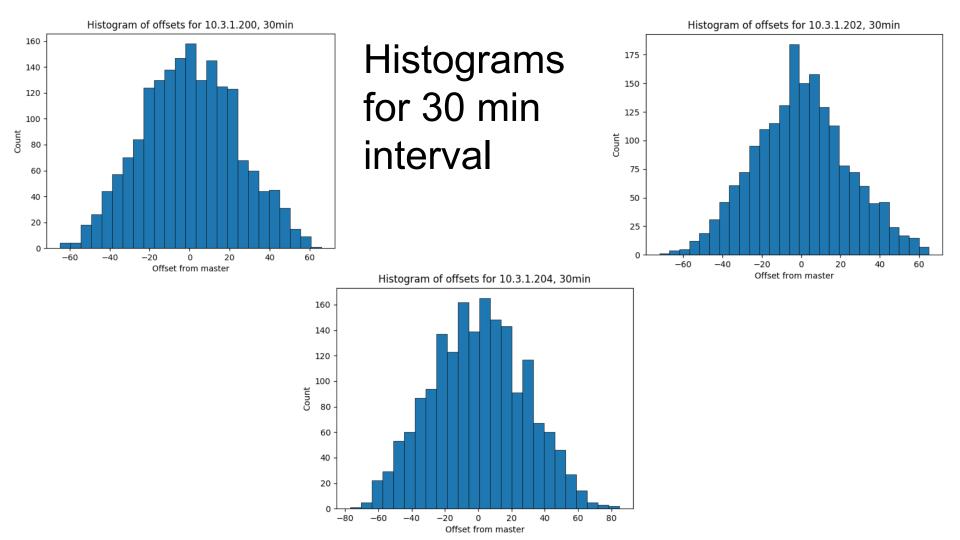
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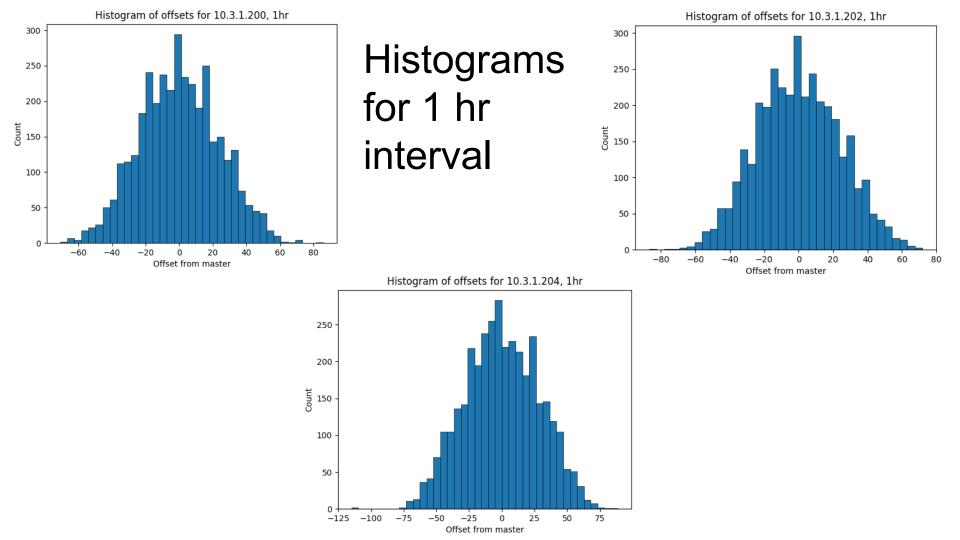
- Through ptpd, set up 1 master and 3 slaves from the PicoZed units
- Ran synchronization across the 4 nodes through linuxptp for three different time intervals: 30 min, 1 hr, and 2 hrs; stored data in files (accomplished through bash scripts)
- Extracted offset data for each experiment and derived visual/summary statistics through python script

Results

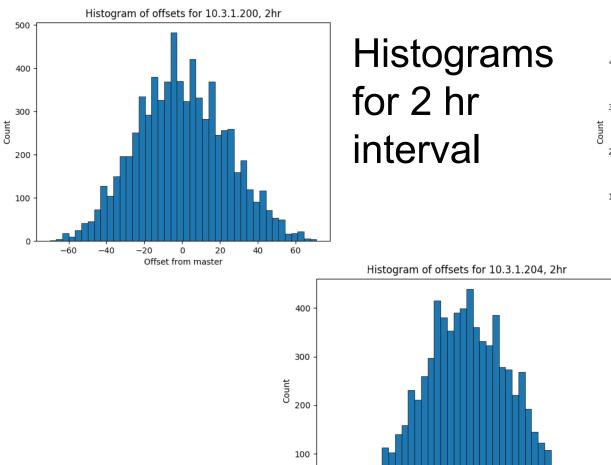
- Plotted histograms, scatter plots, and line plots for each interval and each PicoZed unit (indicated by IP address)
- Also reported summary statistics for mean, mode, standard deviation, and RMS error for each interval & PicoZed unit

Visual Analysis









0

-75

-50

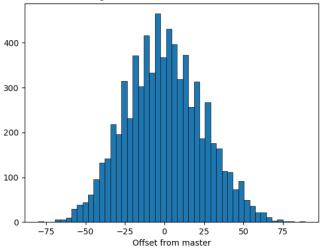
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0 Offset from master

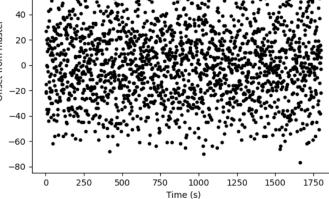
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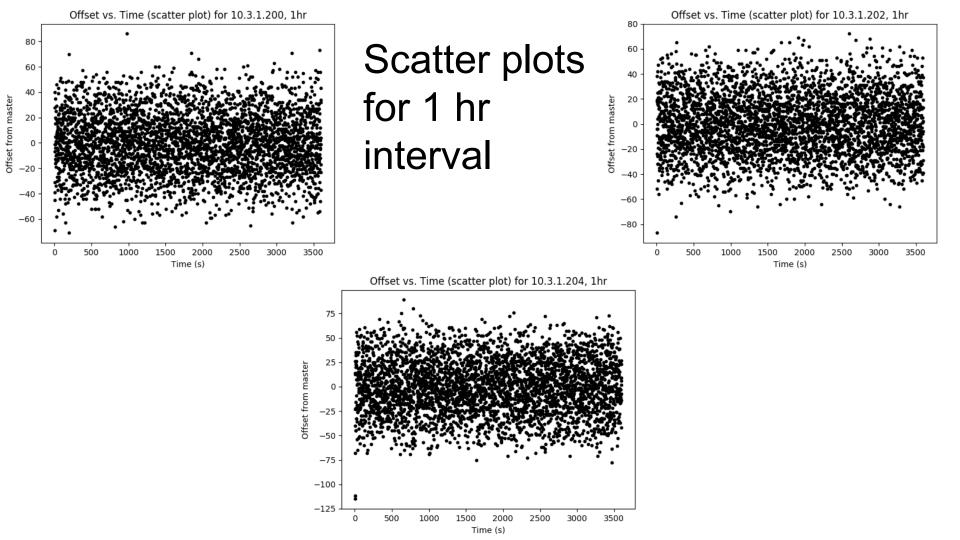
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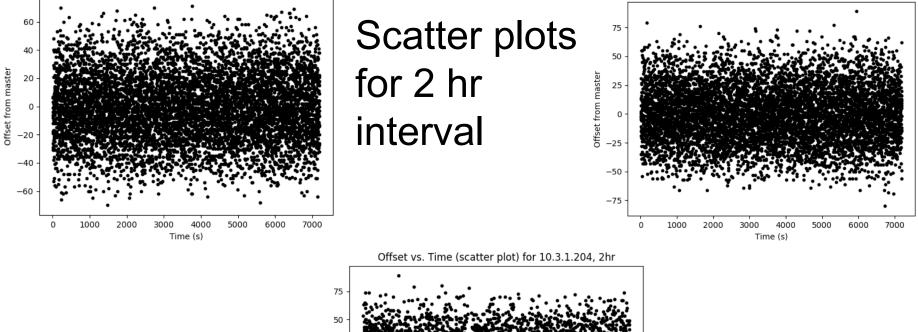
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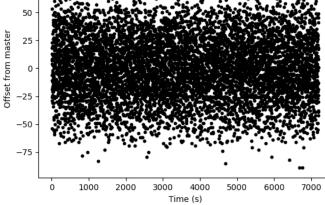


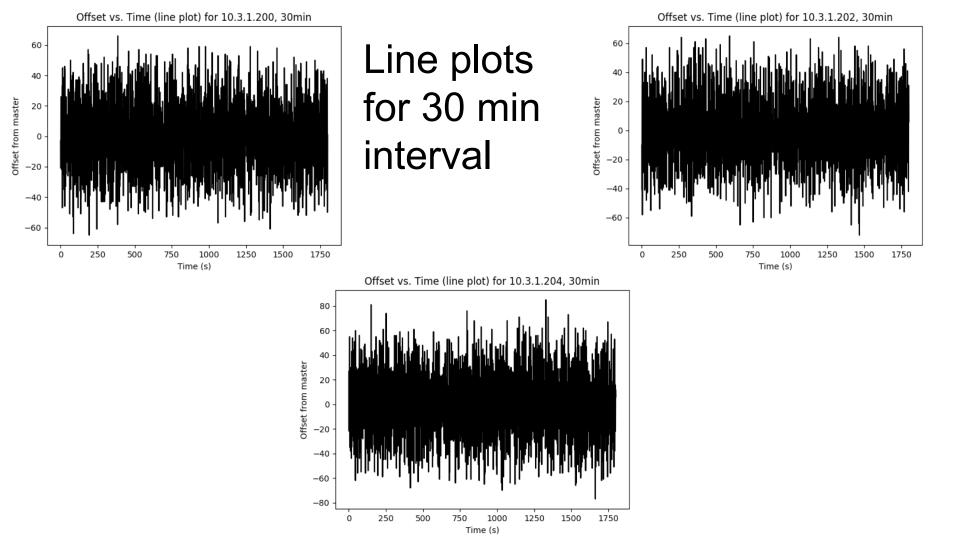
Offset vs. Time (scatter plot) for 10.3.1.200, 30min Offset vs. Time (scatter plot) for 10.3.1.202, 30min Scatter plots for 30 min Offset from master Offset from master interval -20 -20 -40 -60-60 Time (s) Time (s) Offset vs. Time (scatter plot) for 10.3.1.204, 30min Offset from master

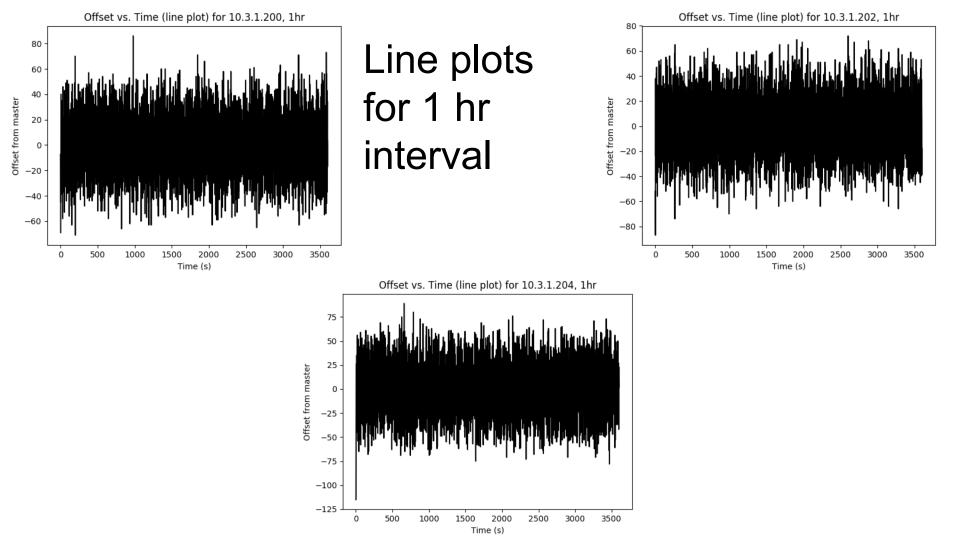


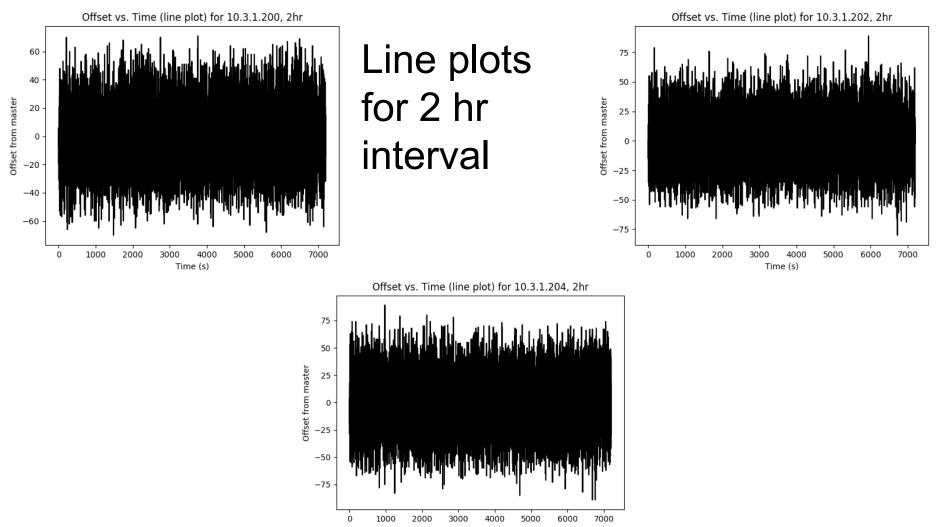












Time (s)

Graph analysis

- Approaches normal distribution
- Histograms appear symmetric and displays little skew
 - Exception: 10.3.204 had more positive values for the 1 hr time interval
- Slight skew toward negative side; peak tends to left of 0
- Range appears to be lowest for 10.3.1.200
- Note PicoZed 10.3.1.204 has a significant outlier around -115 for the 1 hr interval; this is because the timer had started just as the PicoZed settled into synchronization, and this was the first value recorded

Summary Statistics

30min Time Interval

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.200

Mean offset: -0.1238888888888888888

Std Deviation: 23.796047439972714

2 Std Deviations: 47.59209487994543

Mode: 13.0

RMSE: 0.351978534699

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.202

Mean offset: -0.04

Std Deviation: 23.94917210352885

2 Std Deviations: 47.8983442070577

Mode: 3.0

RMSE: 0.2

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.204

Mean offset: -0.03388888888888888888

Std Deviation: 28.22732061887893

2 Std Deviations: 56.45464123775786

Mode: -8.0

RMSE: 0.184089350286

1hr Time Interval

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.200

Mean offset: -0.034722222222222224

Std Deviation: 23.557121238257245

2 Std Deviations: 47.11424247651449

Mode: -11.0

RMSE: 0.186338998125

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.202

Mean offset: -0.06027777777777778

Std Deviation: 24.188587298112203

2 Std Deviations: 48.37717459622441

Mode: -5.0

RMSE: 0.245515331044

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.204

Mean offset: -0.1175

Std Deviation: 28.307494578389583

2 Std Deviations: 56.61498915677917

Mode: -8.0

RMSE: 0.34278273002

2hr Time Interval

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.200

Mean offset: -0.359722222222222222

Std Deviation: 23.799545745677946

2 Std Deviations: 47.59909149135589

Mode: -4.0

RMSE: 0.599768473848

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.202

Mean offset: -0.1158333333333333333

Std Deviation: 24.453786899987495

2 Std Deviations: 48.90757379997499

Mode: -2.0

RMSE: 0.340342964278

Picozed IP Address: 10.3.1.204

Mean offset: 0.083888888888888888888

Std Deviation: 28.444730353380802

2 Std Deviations: 56.889460706761604

Mode: -5.0

RMSE: 0.289635786616

Analysis

- The standard deviation appears to stay the same for each time interval
- The mean offset remains within 0.1 of 0 for most of the units, varying between 0.1 and 0.01; indicates a low drift in the clocks
- Standard deviation (68% of data lies in +/- this range from the mean) is ~23 for 10.3.1.200 & 10.3.1.202, ~28 for 10.3.1.204
- 2 standard deviations (95% of data lies in this interval from the mean):
 - ~47.6 for 10.3.1.200 & 10.3.1.202
 - ~56.6 for 10.3.204
- Indicates a slightly poorer performance from the PicoZed board w/ IP 10.3.1.204
- The standard deviation indicates a performance of about 50 ns for 95% of the data, which is consistent with measurements taken before