Leveraging HATI for high resolution timing in FPGA

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5 minutes

300,000,000,000 Nanoseconds

300,000,000,000,000 Picoseconds



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SecureSync 2400

Accurate, secure, timing / GNSS receiver



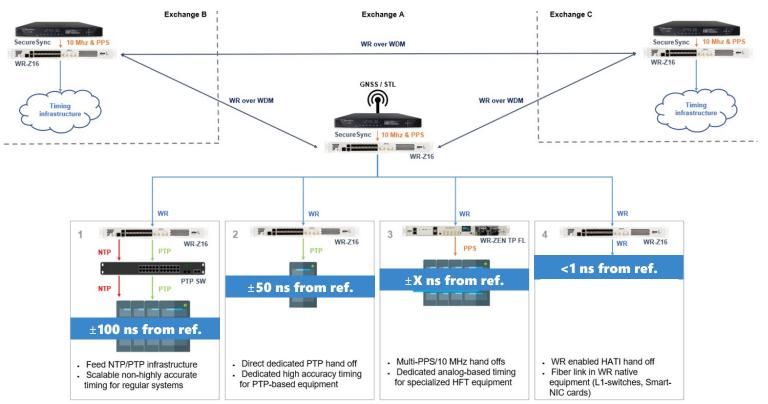
White Rabbit

Sub-nanosecond timing distribution





White Rabbit: 101





Introducing HATI

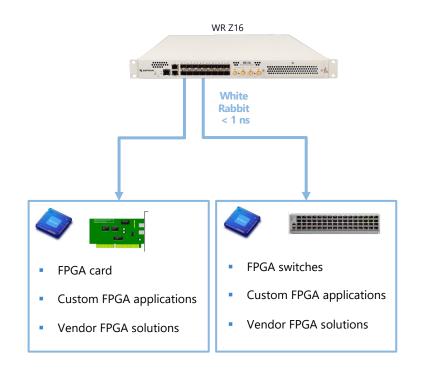


HATI is an IP core which enables White Rabbit sub-nanosecond timing into third-party FPGA applications.

WHAT THIS MEANS?

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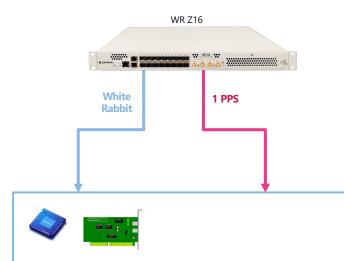
- FPGA developers can leverage White Rabbit accurate timing in their applications.
- Vendors have the capability of integrating White Rabbit into their hardware platforms.
- Sub-ns accuracy to vendor hardware and custom applications.
- Simpler infrastructure: no more messy co-axial cables.
- Monitor time distribution right through to application.
- Cost savings: no more calibration!



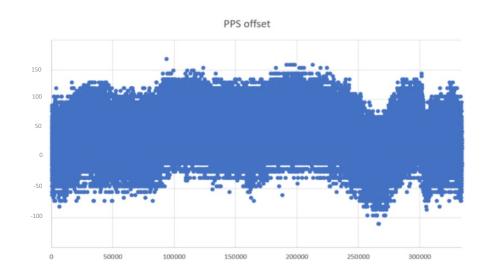
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HATI Performance



- Compare 1PPS to HATI over long term
- Time error is less than +/- 150 picoseconds with a standard deviation of 43.15 ps
- Noise/jitter dependent of hardware implementation







~2 minutes

120,234,647,531 Nanoseconds

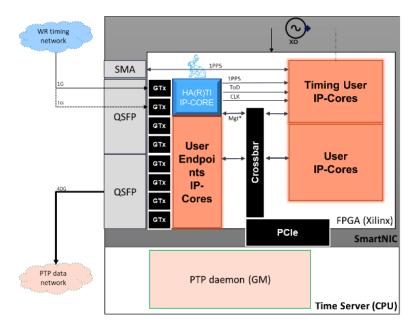
120,234,647,531,851 Picoseconds

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Use Case #1 – Timestamp in a HATI-enabled SmartNIC

HATI-enabled SmartNIC



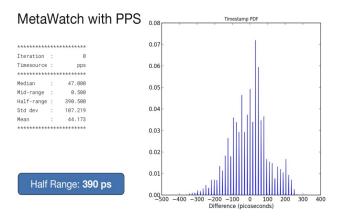
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Use Case #2 – Embedded within network switch

HATI IP core is embedded within Arista MetaWatch application (v3.7)

- Sub-nanosecond timestamp error on Arista 7130-LB platforms.
- Optimized performance and monitoring of time distribution.
- Timing received from any White Rabbit Z16 device.
- Reduces the requirement for long/un-calibrated coaxial runs.
- Tried and tested, production ready!

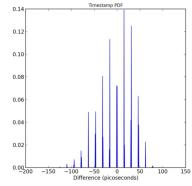


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MetaWatch with White Rabbit

Letation : 0 Timesource : whiterabbit Median : -62.000 Mid-range : 78.000 Mid-range : 78.000 Std dev : 36.391 Mean : -63.345







000,000,000,000,000 Picoseconds

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