
Core10100_AHBAPB v5.1

Handbook



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Introduction

Core10100_AHBAPB is a high-speed media access control (MAC) Ethernet controller ([Figure 1](#)). It implements Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) algorithms defined by IEEE 802.3 for media access control (MAC) over an Ethernet connection. Communication with an external host is implemented through a set of Control and Status registers and the direct memory access (DMA) controller for external shared RAM. For data transfers, Core10100_AHBAPB operates as a DMA master. It automatically fetches from transmit data buffers and stores receive data buffers into external RAM with minimum CPU intervention. Linked list management enables the use of various memory allocation schemes. Internal RAMs are used as configurable FIFO memory blocks, and there are separate memory blocks for transmit and receive processes. The core has a generic host-side interface that connects with external CPUs. This host interface can be configured to work with 8-bit, 16-bit, or 32-bit data bus widths with big or little-endian byte ordering.

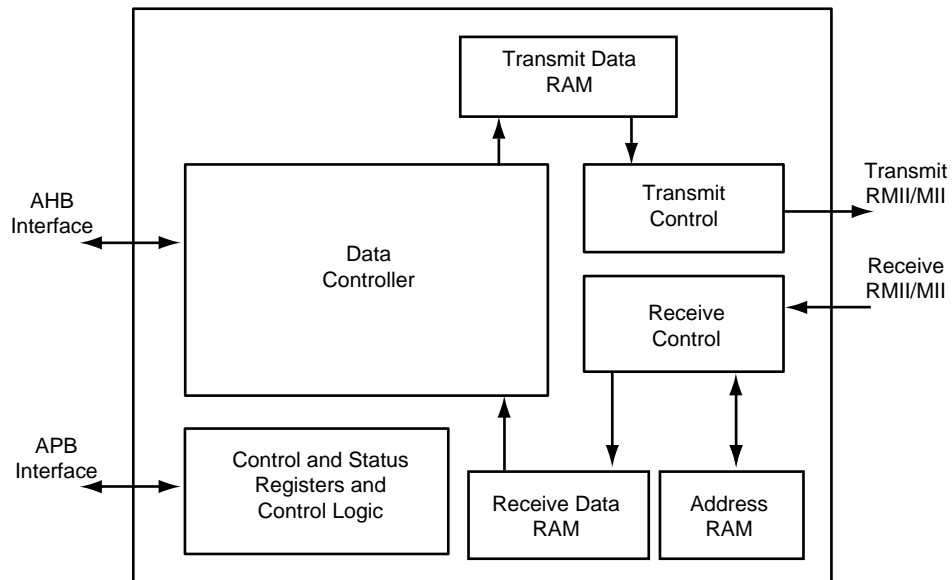


Figure 1 Core10100_AHBAPB Block Diagram

Supported Device Families

- SmartFusion®2
- IGLOO®2
- IGLOO
- IGLOOe
- ProASIC3
- ProASIC3E
- ProASIC®3L
- Fusion
- ProASIC^{PLUS}®
- Axcelerator®
- RTAX-S™

Core Versions

This handbook applies to Core10100_AHBAPB v5.1. The release notes provided with the core list known discrepancies between this handbook and the core release associated with the release notes.

Supported Interfaces

Core10100_AHBAPB is available with the APB slave interface and advanced high performance bus (AHB) master memory interface.

Microsemi® recommends that new designs using the SmartDesign environment use the Core10100_AHBAPB version of the core. The above interface is described in ["Interface Descriptions"](#).

Device Utilization and Performance

Core10100_AHBAPB can be implemented in the following Microsemi FPGA devices. [Table 1](#) through [Table 3](#) provide the typical utilization and performance data for the core implemented in these devices.

Table 1 Core10100_AHBAPB Device Utilization and Performance for an 8-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
IGLOO/e	4,408	1,936	6,344	14	AGLE600	46%	30
ProASIC3 ProASIC3E ProASIC3L	4,234	1,941	6,175	14	A3P600	45%	54
Fusion	4,306	1,939	6,245	14	AFS600	45%	54
ProASIC ^{PLUS}	5,656	1,975	7,660	29	APA600	35%	32
Axcelerator	2,974	2,049	5,023	13	AX1000	28%	65
RTAX-S	2,946	2,041	4,987	13	RTAX1000S	27%	46
SmartFusion2	3,118	2,139	5,257	6	M2S050T_ES	9%	130
IGLOO2	3,087	2,138	5,225	6	M2GL150TS	3%	120

Table 2 Core10100_AHBAPB Device Utilization and Performance for a 16-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
IGLOO/e	4,749	2,067	6,816	14	AGLE600	49%	30
ProASIC3 ProASIC3E ProASIC3L	4,579	2,065	6,644	14	A3P600	48%	36
Fusion	4,620	2,065	6,685	14	AFS600	48%	46
ProASIC ^{PLUS}	6,219	2,106	8,354	29	APA600	39%	25
Axcelerator	3,054	2,166	5,220	13	AX1000	29%	65
RTAX-S	3,036	2,161	5,197	13	RTAX1000S	28%	43
SmartFusion2	3,213	2,151	5,364	6	M2S050T_ES	10%	130
IGLOO2	3,064	2,096	5,160	6	M2GL150TS	4%	122

Table 3 Core10100_AHBAPB Device Utilization and Performance for a 32-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
IGLOO/e	5,231	2,199	7,430	14	AGLE600	54%	30
ProASIC3 ProASIC3E ProASIC3L	5,011	2,197	7,208	14	A3P600	53%	35
Fusion	5,169	2,195	7,364	14	AFS600	53%	35
ProASIC ^{PLUS}	6,625	2,243	8,897	29	APA600	41%	25
Axcelerator	3,340	2,348	5,688	13	AX1000	31%	56
RTAX-S	3,380	2,359	5,739	13	RTAX1000S	32%	45
SmartFusion2	3,445	2,306	5,751	6	M2S050T_ES	11%	134
IGLOO2	3,445	2,306	5,751	6	M2GL150TS	4%	134

Note: Data in the above tables was achieved using Microsemi Libero[®] Integrated Design Environment (IDE), using the parameter settings given in [Table 4](#). Performance is for Std. speed grade parts, was achieved using the Core10100_AHBAPB macro alone, and represents the system clock (HCLK) frequency. The CLKR and CLKI clock domains are capable of operating at 25 MHz or 2.5 MHz, depending on the link speed. The PCLK clock domain is capable of operating in excess of HCLK.

Table 4 Parameter Settings

Parameter	Core10100_AHBAPB		
	8-Bit	16-Bit	32-Bit
ENDIANESS	1	1	1
ADDRFILTER	0	0	0
FULLDUPLEX	0	0	0
CSRWIDTH APB_DWIDTH	8	16	32
DATAWIDTH AHB_DWIDTH	8	16	32
DATADEPTH AHB_AWIDTH	20	24	32
TFIFODEPTH	11	10	9
RFIFODEPTH	12	11	10
TCDEPTH	1	1	1
RCDEPTH	2	2	2
RMII	1	1	1

Memory Requirements

Core10100_AHBAPB uses FPGA memory blocks. The actual number of memory blocks varies based on the parameter settings. The approximate number of RAM blocks is given by EQ 1, EQ 2, and EQ 3.

IGLOO/e, ProASIC3/E, ProASIC3L, Fusion, Axcelerator, and RTAX-S

$$\text{NRAMS} = (\text{DW} / 8 \times (2^{\text{TFIFODEPTH}} / 512 + 2^{\text{RFIFODEPTH}} / 512) + \text{ADDRFILTER})$$

EQ1

where, DW is DATAWIDTH or AHB_DWIDTH.

ProASIC^{PLUS}

$$\text{NRAMS} = (\text{DW} / 8 \times (2^{\text{TFIFODEPTH}} / 256 + 2^{\text{RFIFODEPTH}} / 256) + 2 \times \text{ADDRFILTER})$$

EQ2

where, DW is DATAWIDTH or AHB_DWIDTH.

SmartFusion2/IGLOO2

$$\text{NRAMS} = (\text{DW} / 8 \times (2^{\text{TFIFODEPTH}} / 1024 + 2^{\text{RFIFODEPTH}} / 1024) + 2 \times \text{ADDRFILTER})$$

EQ3

where, DW is DATAWIDTH or AHB_DWIDTH.

Note: The number of RAM blocks may vary slightly from the above equations due to the Synthesis tool selecting different aspect ratios and inferring memories for internal logic.

Functional Block Descriptions

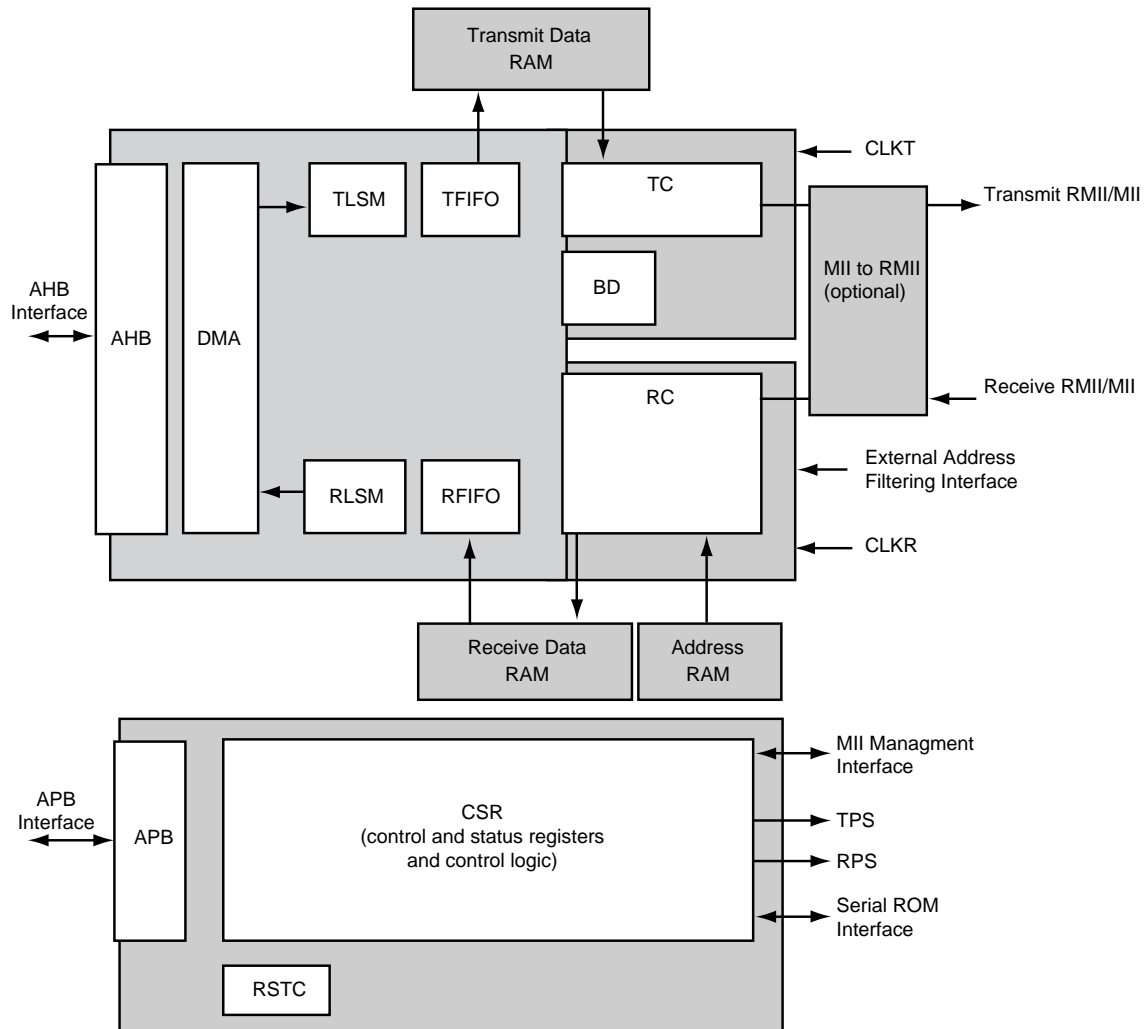


Figure 2 Core10100_AHBAPB Block Diagram

AHB – AHB Interface

The AHB block implements an AHB master function, allowing the DMA controller to access memory on the AHB bus.

APB – APB Interface

This advanced peripheral bus (APB) block implements an APB slave interface, allowing the CPU to access the CSR registers set.

CSR – Control/Status Register Logic

The CSR component is used to control Core10100_AHBAPB operation by the host. It implements the CSR register set and the interrupt controller. It also provides a generic host interface supporting 8-, 16-, and 32-bit transfer. The CSR component operates synchronously with the PCLK clock from the host CSR interface. The CSR also provides a Serial ROM interface and media independent interface (MII) Management interface. The host can access these two interfaces through read/write CSR registers.

DMA – Direct Memory Access Controller

The direct memory access controller implements the host data interface. It services both the receive and transmit channels. The TLSM and TFIFO have access to one DMA channel. The RLSM and RFIFO have access to the other DMA channel. The direct memory access controller operates synchronously with the HCLK clock from the host data interface.

TLSM – Transmit Linked List State Machine

The transmit linked list state machine implements the descriptor/buffer architecture of Core10100_AHBAPB. It manages the transmit descriptor list and fetches the data prepared for transmission from the data buffers into the transmit FIFO. The transmit linked list state machine controller operates synchronously with the HCLK clock from the host data interface.

TFIFO – Transmit FIFO

The transmit FIFO is used for buffering data prepared for transmission by Core10100_AHBAPB. It provides an interface for the external transmit data RAM working as FIFO memory. It fetches the transmit data from the host through the DMA interface. The FIFO size can be configured through the core parameters. The transmit FIFO controller operates synchronously with the HCLK clock from the host data interface.

TC – Transmit Controller

The transmit controller implements the 802.3 transmit operation. From the network side, it uses the standard 802.3 MII interface for an external PHY device. The TC unit reads transmit data from the external transmit data RAM, formats the frame, and transmits the framed data through the MII. The transmit controller operates synchronously with the CLKT clock from the MII interface.

BD – Backoff/Deferring

The backoff/deferring controller implements the 802.3 half-duplex operation. It monitors the status of the Ethernet bus and decides whether to perform a transmit or backoff/deferring of the data through the MII. It operates synchronously with the CLKT clock from the MII interface.

RLSM – Receive Linked List State Machine

The receive linked list state machine implements the descriptor/buffer architecture of Core10100_AHBAPB. It manages the receive descriptor list and moves the data from the receive FIFO into the data buffers. The receive linked list state machine controller operates synchronously with the HCLK clock from the host data interface.

RFIFO – Receive FIFO

The receive FIFO is used for buffering data received by Core10100_AHBAPB. It provides an interface for the external RAM working as FIFO memory. The FIFO size can be configured by the generic parameters of the core. The receive FIFO controller operates synchronously with the HCLK clock from the host data interface.

RC – Receive Controller

The receive controller implements the 802.3 receive operation. From the network side it uses the standard 802.3 MII interface for an external PHY device. The RC block transfers data received from the MII to the receive data RAM. It supports internal address filtering. It also supports an external address filtering interface. The receive controller operates synchronously with the CLKR clock from the MII interface.

RSTC – Reset Controller

The reset controller is used to reset all components of Core10100_AHBAPB. It generates a reset signal asynchronous to all clock domains in the design from the external reset line and software reset.

Memory Blocks

There are three internal memory blocks required for the proper operation of Core10100_AHBAPB:

- Receive data RAM – Synchronous RAM working as receive FIFO
- Transmit data RAM – Synchronous RAM working as transmit FIFO
- Address RAM – Synchronous RAM working as MAC address memory

RMII – RMII to MII Interface

The reduced media independent interface (RMII) reduces the number of pins required for connecting to the PHY from 16 to 8.

Tool Flows

Licensing

Core10100_AHBAPB v5.1 is licensed in two ways: Obfuscated and RTL.

Obfuscated

Complete RTL code is provided for the core, enabling the core to be instantiated with SmartDesign. Simulation, Synthesis, and Layout can be performed with Libero[®] Integrated Design Environment (IDE). The RTL code for the core is obfuscated,¹ and the some of the testbench source files are not provided. They are precompiled into the compiled simulation library instead.

RTL

Complete RTL source code is provided for the core and testbenches.

The core can be configured using the configuration GUI within SmartDesign, as shown in [Figure 3](#).

¹ Obfuscated means the RTL source files have had formatting and comments removed, and all instance and net names have been replaced with random character sequences.

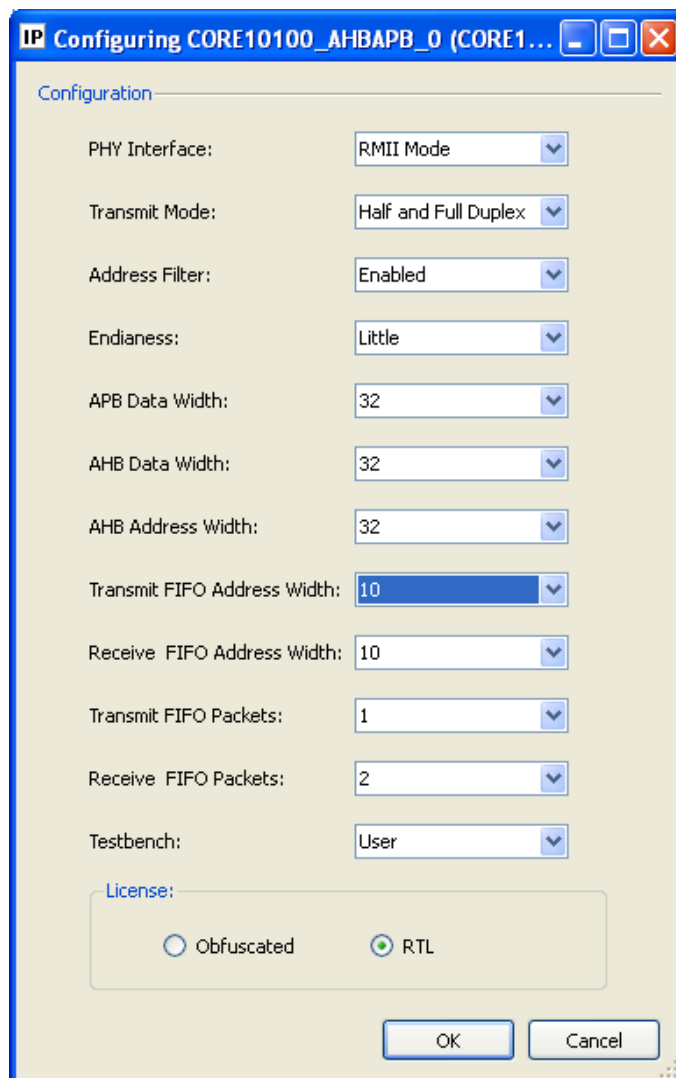


Figure 3 Core10100_AHBAPB Configuration within SmartDesign

Importing into Libero IDE

Core10100_AHBAPB v5.1 is available for download to the SmartDesign IP Catalog, through the Libero IDE web repository. For information on using SmartDesign to instantiate, configure, connect, and generate cores, refer to the Libero IDE online help.

Simulation Flows

To run simulations, select the user testbench within the SmartDesign Core10100_AHBAPB configuration GUI, right-click, and select Generate Design.

When SmartDesign generates the design files, it will install the appropriate testbench files. To run the simulation, simply set the design root to the Core10100_AHBAPB instantiation in the Libero IDE design hierarchy pane and click the Simulation icon in the Libero IDE Design Flow window. This will invoke ModelSim and automatically run the simulation.

Synthesis in Libero IDE

Set the design root appropriately and click the Synthesis icon in the Libero IDE. The synthesis window appears, displaying the Synplicity® project. Set Synplicity to use the Verilog 2001 standard if Verilog is being used. To perform synthesis, click the Run icon.

"[Timing Constraints](#)" section details the recommended timing constraints that should be used during Synthesis.

Place-and-Route in Libero IDE

Having set the design route appropriately and run Synthesis, click the Layout icon in Libero IDE to invoke Designer. Core10100_AHBAPB requires no special place-and-route settings.

"[Timing Constraints](#)" section details the recommended timing constraints that should be used during Layout.

Interface Descriptions

Core10100_AHBAPB is available with the following interface

- Advanced microcontroller bus architecture (AMBA®)
- Other control interface
- PHY interface

Parameters on Core10100_AHBAPB

Table 5 details the parameters on Core10100_AHBAPB.

Table 5 Core10100_AHBAPB Parameters

Parameter	Values	Default Value	Description
FULLDUPLEX	0 to 1	0	This controls the core's support of half-duplex operation. 0: Half-duplex and full-duplex operation supported 1: Full-duplex only When set to 1, the collision and backoff logic required to support half-duplex operation is omitted, reducing the size of
ENDIANESS	0 to 2	1	Sets the endianness of the core. 0: Programmable by software 1: Little 2: Big
ADDRFILTER	0 to 1	1	Enables the internal address filter RAM. 0: Internal address filter RAM disabled 1: Internal address filter RAM
AHB_AWIDTH	20 to 32	32	Sets the width of the AHB address bus used to interface to the system memory.
AHB_DWIDTH	8, 16, 32	32	Sets the width of the AHB data bus used to interface to the system memory.
APB_DWIDTH	8, 16, 32	32	Sets the width of the APB data bus used to access the registers within the core.
TCDEPTH	1 to 4	1	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the transmit FIFO at one time. The maximum number of frames that reside in the TX FIFO at one time is $2^{TCDEPTH}$.
RCDEPTH	1 to 4	2	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the receive FIFO at one time. The maximum number of frames that reside in the RX FIFO at one time is $2^{RCDEPTH} - 1$.
TFIFODEPTH	7 to 12	9	Sets the size of the internal FIFO used to buffer transmit data. The size is $2^{TFIFODEPTH} \times AHB_DWIDTH / 8$ bytes. The transmit FIFO size must be greater than TCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.

Parameter	Values	Default Value	Description
RFIFODEPTH	7 to 12	10	Sets the size of the internal FIFO used to buffer receive data. The size is $2^{\text{RFIFODEPTH}} \times \text{AHB_DWIDTH} / 8$ bytes. The receive FIFO size must be greater than RCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.
RMII	0, 1	0	When set to 1, the core supports RMII interface. When set to 0, the core supports MII interface.

Other Control Signals

Table 6 Other Control Interface Signals

Name	Type	Polarity/ Bus Size	Description
General Host Interface Signal			
INTERRUPT	Out	HIGH	Interrupt
RSTTCO	Out	HIGH	Transmit side reset
RSTRCO	Out	HIGH	Receive side reset
TPS	Out	HIGH	Transmit process stopped
RPS	Out	HIGH	Receive process stopped
Serial ROM Interface			
SDI	In	1	Serial data
SCS	Out	1	Serial chip select
SCLK	Out	1	Serial clock output
SDO	Out	1	Serial data output
External Address Filtering Interface			
MATCH	In	HIGH	External address match When HIGH, indicates that the destination address on the MATCHDATA port is recognized by the external address-checking logic and that the current frame must be received by Core10100_AHBAPB. When LOW, indicates that the destination address on the MATCHDATA port is not recognized and that the current frame should be discarded. Note that the match signal should be valid only when the MATCHVAL signal is HIGH.
MATCHVAL	In	HIGH	External address match valid When HIGH, indicates that the MATCH signal is valid.
MATCHEN	Out	HIGH	External match enable When HIGH, indicates that the MATCHDATA signal is valid. The MATCHEN output should be used as an enable signal for the external address-checking logic. It is HIGH for at least four CLKR clock periods to allow for the latency of external address-checking logic.

Name	Type	Polarity/ Bus Size	Description
MATCHDATA	Out	48	External address match data The MATCHDATA signal represents the 48-bit destination address of the received frame. Note that the MATCHDATA signal is valid only when the MATCHEN signal is HIGH.
RMII/MII PHY Interface			
CLKT	In	Rise	Clock for transmit operation This must be a 25 MHz clock for a 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for a 10 Mbps operation. This input is only used in MII mode. In RMII mode, this input will be grounded by SmartDesign.
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MATCHDATA	Out	48	<p>External address match data</p> <p>The MATCHDATA signal represents the 48-bit destination address of the received frame.</p> <p>Note that the MATCHDATA signal is valid only when the MATCHEN signal is HIGH.</p>
RMII/MII PHY Interface			
CLKT	In	Rise	<p>Clock for transmit operation</p> <p>This must be a 25 MHz clock for a 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for a 10 Mbps operation. This input is only used in MII mode. In RMII mode, this input will be grounded by SmartDesign.</p>
CLKR	In	Rise	<p>Clock for receive operation</p> <p>This must be a 25 MHz clock for a 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for a 10 Mbps operation. This input is only used in MII mode. In RMII mode, this input will be grounded by SmartDesign.</p>
RX_ER	In	HIGH	<p>Receive error</p> <p>If RX_ER is asserted during Core10100_AHBAPB reception, the frame is received and status of the frame is updated with RX_ER.</p> <p>The RX_ER signal must be synchronous to the CLKR receive clock.</p>
RX_DV	In	HIGH	<p>Receive data valid signal</p> <p>The PHY device must assert RX_DV when a valid data nibble is provided on the RXD signal.</p> <p>The RX_DV signal must be synchronous to the CLKR receive clock.</p>
COL	In	HIGH	<p>Collision detected</p> <p>This signal must be asserted by the PHY when a collision is detected on the medium. It is valid only when operating in a half-duplex mode. When operating in a full-duplex mode, this signal is ignored by Core10100_AHBAPB.</p> <p>The COL signal is not required to be synchronous to either CLKR or CLKT. The COL signal is sampled internally by the CLKT clock.</p>
CRS	In	HIGH	<p>Carrier sense</p> <p>This signal must be asserted by the PHY when either a receive or transmit medium is non-idle.</p> <p>The CRS signal is not required to be synchronous with either CLKR or CLKT.</p>
MDI	In	1	<p>MII management data input</p> <p>The state of this signal can be checked by reading the CSR9.19 bit.</p>
RXD	In	4	<p>Receive data recovered and decoded by PHY The RXD[0] signal is the least significant bit.</p> <p>The RXD bus must be synchronous to the CLKR in MII mode. In RMII mode, RXD[1:0] is used and RXD[3:2] will be grounded by SmartDesign. In RMII mode, RXD[1:0] is synchronous to RMII_CLK.</p>
TX_EN	Out	HIGH	<p>Transmit enable</p> <p>When asserted, indicates valid data for the PHY on the TXD port. The TX_EN signal is synchronous to the CLKT transmit clock.</p>
TXER	Out	HIGH	<p>Transmit error</p> <p>The current version of Core10100_AHBAPB has the TXER signal statically tied to logic 0 (no transmit errors).</p>

Name	Type	Polarity/ Bus Size	Description
MDC	Out	Rise	MII management clock This signal is driven by the CSR9.16 bit.
MDO	Out	1	MII management data output This signal is driven by the CSR9.18 bit.
MDEN	Out	HIGH	MII management buffer control
TXD	Out	4	Transmit data The TXD[0] signal is the least significant bit. In RMII mode TXD[1:0] is used. In RMII mode, TXD[1:0] is synchronous to RMII_CLK. The TXD bus is synchronous to the CLK in MII mode.
RMII_CLK	In	Rise	50 MHz \pm 50 ppm clock source shared with RMII PHY. This input is used only in RMII mode. In MII mode, this input will be grounded by SmartDesign.
CRS_DV	In	High	Carrier sense/receive data valid for RMII PHY

AHB/APB Interface Signals

Table 7 lists the signals included in the Core10100_AHBAPB core.

Table 7 Core10100_AHBAPB Signals

Name	Type	Description
APB Interface (CPU register access)		
PCLK	In	APB clock
PRESETN	In	APB reset (active low and asynchronous)
PSEL	In	APB select
PENABLE	In	APB enable
PWRITE	In	APB write
PADDR	In [7:0]	APB address
PWDATA	In [APB_DWIDTH–1:0]	APB write data
PRDATA	Out [APB_DWIDTH–1:0]	APB read data
AHB Interface (memory access)		
HCLK	In	AHB clock
HRESETN	In	AHB reset (active low and asynchronous)
HWRITE	Out	AHB write
HADDR	Out [AHB_AWIDTH–1:0]	AHB address
HREADY	In	AHB ready
HTRANS	Out [1:0]	AHB transfer type
HSIZE	Out [2:0]	AHB transfer size
HBURST	Out [2:0]	AHB burst size
HPROT	Out [3:0]	AHB protection; set to 0000

Name	Type	Description
HRESP	In [1:0]	AHB response
HWDATA	Out [AHB_DWIDTH-1:0]	AHB data out
HRDATA	In [AHB_DWIDTH-1:0]	AHB data in
HBUSREQ	Out	AHB bus request
HGRANT	In	AHB bus grant

Software Interface

Register Maps

Control and Status Register Addressing

The Control and Status registers are located physically inside Core10100_AHBAPB and can be accessed directly by a host through an 8-bit, 16-bit, or 32-bit interface. All the CSRs are 32 bits long and quadword-aligned. The address bus of the CSR interface is 8 bits wide and only bits 6–0 of the location code listed in [Table 8](#) are used to decode the CSR register address.

Table 8 CSR Locations

Register	Address	Reset Value	Description
CSR0	00H	FE000000H	Bus mode
CSR1	08H	00000000H	Transmit poll demand
CSR2	10H	00000000H	Receive poll demand
CSR3	18H	FFFFFFFFH	Receive list base address
CSR4	20H	FFFFFFFFH	Transmit list base address
CSR5	28H	F0000000H	Status
CSR6	30H	32000040H	Operation mode
CSR7	38H	F3FE0000H	Interrupt enable
CSR8	40H	E0000000H	Missed frames and overflow counters
CSR9	48H	FFF483FFH	MII management
CSR10	50H	00000000H	Reserved
CSR11	58H	FFFE0000H	Timer and interrupt mitigation control

Note: CSR9 bits 19 and 2 reset values are dependent on the MDI and SDI inputs. The above assumes MDI is high and SDI is low.

CSR Definitions

Table 9 Bus Mode Register (CSR0)

Bits [31:24]								
Bits [23:16]				DBO	TAP			
Bits [15:8]			PBL					
Bits [7:0]	BLE	DSL				BAR	SWR	

Note: The CSR0 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read, they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 10 Bus Mode Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR0.20	DBO	Descriptor byte ordering mode: 1: Big-endian mode used for data descriptors 0: Little-endian mode used for data descriptors
CSR0.(19..17)	TAP	Transmit automatic polling If TAP is written with a nonzero value, Core10100_AHBAPB performs an automatic transmit descriptor polling when operating in suspended state. When the descriptor is available, the transmit process goes into running state. When the descriptor is marked as owned by the host, the transmit process remains suspended. The poll is always performed at the current transmit descriptor list position. The time interval between two consecutive polls is shown in Table 11 .
CSR0.(13..8)	PBL	Programmable burst length Specifies the maximum number of words that can be transferred within one DMA transaction. Values permissible are 0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, and 32. When the value 0 is written, the bursts are limited only by the internal FIFO's threshold levels. The width of the single word is equal to the CSRWIDTH generic parameter; i.e., all data transfers always use the maximum data bus width. Note that PBL is valid only for the data buffers. The data descriptor burst length depends on the DATAWIDTH parameter. The rule is that every descriptor field (32-bit) is accessed with a single burst cycle. For DATAWIDTH = 32, the descriptors are accessed with a single 32-bit word transaction; for DATAWIDTH = 16, a burst of two 16-bit words; and for DATAWIDTH = 8, a burst of four 8-bit words.
CSR0.7	BLE	Big/little endian Selects the byte-ordering mode used by the data buffers. 1: Big-endian mode used for the data buffers 0: Little-endian mode used for the data buffers
CSR0.(6..2)	DSL	Descriptor skip length Specifies the number of longwords between two consecutive descriptors in a ring structure.
CSR0.1	BAR	Bus arbitration scheme 1: Transmit and receive processes have equal priority to access the bus. 0: Intelligent arbitration, where the receive process has priority over the transmit process
CSR0.0	SWR	Soft reset Setting this bit resets all internal flip-flops. The processor should write a 1 to this bit and then wait until a read returns a 0, indicating that the reset has completed. This bit will remain set for several clock cycles.

Table 11 Transmit Automatic Polling Intervals

CSR0.(19..17)	10 Mbps	100 Mbps
000	TAP disabled	TAP disabled
001	819 μ s	81.9 μ s
010	2,450 μ s	245 μ s
011	5,730 μ s	573 μ s
100	51.2 μ s	5.12 μ s
101	102.4 μ s	10.24 μ s
110	153.6 μ s	15.36 μ s
111	358.4 μ s	35.84 μ s

Table 12 Transmit Poll Demand Register (CSR1)

Bits [31:24]	TPD(31..24)
Bits [23:16]	TPD(23..16)
Bits [15:8]	TPD(15..8)
Bits [7:0]	TPD(7..0)

Table 13 Transmit Poll Demand Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR1.(31..0)	TPD	Writing this field with any value instructs Core10100_AHBAPB to check for frames to be transmitted. This operation is valid only when the transmit process is suspended. If no descriptor is available, the transmit process remains suspended. When the descriptor is available, the transmit process goes into the running state.

Table 14 Receive Poll Demand Register (CSR2)

Bits 31:24	RPD(31..24)
Bits 23:16	RPD(23..16)
Bits 15:8	RPD(15..8)
Bits 7:0	RPD(7..0)

Table 15 Receive Poll Demand Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR2.(31..0)	RPD	Writing this field with any value instructs Core10100_AHBAPB to check for receive descriptors to be acquired. This operation is valid only when the receive process is suspended. If no descriptor is available, the receive process remains suspended. When the descriptor is available, the receive process goes into the running state.

Table 16 Receive Descriptor List Base Address Register (CSR3)

Bits 31:24	RLA(31..24)
Bits 23:16	RLA(23..16)
Bits 15:8	RLA(15..8)
Bits 7:0	RLA(7..0)

Table 17 Receive Descriptor List Base Address Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR3.(31..0)	RLA	Start of the receive list address Contains the address of the first descriptor in a receive descriptor list. This address must be longword-aligned (RLA(1..0) = 00).

Table 18 Transmit Descriptor List Base Address Register (CSR4)

Bits [31:24]	TLA(31..24)
Bits [23:16]	TLA(23..16)
Bits [15:8]	TLA(15..8)
Bits [7:0]	TLA(7..0)

Table 19 Transmit Descriptor List Base Address Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR4.(31..0)	TLA	Start of the transmit list address Contains the address of the first descriptor in a transmit descriptor list. This address must be longword-aligned (TLA(1..0) = 00).

Table 20 Status Register (CSR5)

Bits [31:24]								
Bits [23:16]		TS			RS			NIS
Bits [15:8]	AIS	ERI			GTE	ETI		RPS
Bits [7:0]	RU	RI	UNF			TU	TPS	TI

Note: The CSR5 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read, they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 21 Status Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR5.(22..20)	TS	<p>Transmit process state (read-only)</p> <p>Indicates the current state of a transmit process:</p> <p>000: Stopped; RESET or STOP TRANSMIT command issued</p> <p>001: Running, fetching the transmit descriptor</p> <p>010: Running, waiting for end of transmission</p> <p>011: Running, transferring data buffer from host memory to FIFO</p> <p>100: Reserved</p> <p>101: Running, setup packet</p> <p>110: Suspended; FIFO underflow or unavailable descriptor 111: Running, closing transmit descriptor</p>
CSR5.(19..17)	RS	<p>Receive process state (read-only)</p> <p>Indicates the current state of a receive process:</p> <p>000: Stopped; RESET or STOP RECEIVE command issued</p> <p>001: Running, fetching the receive descriptor</p> <p>010: Running, waiting for the end-of-receive packet before prefetch of the next descriptor</p> <p>011: Running, waiting for the receive packet</p> <p>100: Suspended, unavailable receive buffer</p> <p>101: Running, closing the receive descriptor</p> <p>110: Reserved</p> <p>111: Running, transferring data from FIFO to host memory</p>
CSR5.16	NIS	<p>Normal interrupt summary</p> <p>This bit is a logical OR of the following bits:</p> <p>CSR5.0: Transmit interrupt</p> <p>CSR5.2: Transmit buffer unavailable</p> <p>CSR5.6: Receive interrupt</p> <p>CSR5.11: General-purpose timer overflow</p> <p>CSR5.14: Early receive interrupt</p> <p>Only the unmasked bits affect the normal interrupt summary bit. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.15	AIS	<p>Abnormal interrupt summary</p> <p>This bit is a logical OR of the following bits:</p> <p>CSR5.1: Transmit process stopped</p> <p>CSR5.5: Transmit underflow</p> <p>CSR5.7: Receive buffer unavailable</p> <p>CSR5.8: Receive process stopped</p> <p>CSR5.10:: Early transmit interrupt</p> <p>Only the unmasked bits affect the abnormal interrupt summary bit. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.14	ERI	<p>Early receive interrupt</p> <p>Set when Core10100_AHBAPB fills the data buffers of the first descriptor. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR5.11	GTE	General-purpose timer expiration Gets set when the general-purpose timer reaches zero value. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.10	ETI	Early transmit interrupt Indicates that the packet to be transmitted was fully transferred into the FIFO. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.8	RPS	Receive process stopped RPS is set when a receive process enters a stopped state. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.7	RU	Receive buffer unavailable When set, indicates that the next receive descriptor is owned by the host and is unavailable for Core10100_AHBAPB. When RU is set, Core10100_AHBAPB enters a suspended state and returns to receive descriptor processing when the host changes ownership of the descriptor. Either a receive-poll-demand command is issued or a new frame is recognized by Core10100_AHBAPB. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.6	RI	Receive interrupt Indicates the end of a frame receive. The complete frame has been transferred into the receive buffers. Assertion of the RI bit can be delayed using the receive interrupt mitigation counter/timer (CSR11.NRP/CSR11.RT). The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.5	UNF	Transmit underflow Indicates that the transmit FIFO was empty during a transmission. The transmit process goes into a suspended state. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.2	TU	Transmit buffer unavailable When set, TU indicates that the host owns the next descriptor on the transmit descriptor list; therefore, it cannot be used by Core10100_AHBAPB. When TU is set, the transmit process goes into a suspended state and can resume normal descriptor processing when the host changes ownership of the descriptor. Either a transmit-poll-demand command is issued or transmit automatic polling is enabled. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.1	TPS	Transmit process stopped TPS is set when the transmit process goes into a stopped state. The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.
CSR5.0	TI	Transmit interrupt Indicates the end of a frame transmission process. Assertion of the TI bit can be delayed using the transmit interrupt mitigation counter/timer (CSR11.NTP/CSR11.TT). The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.

Table 22 Operation Mode Register (CSR6)

Bits [31:24]		RA						
Bits [23:16]		TTM	SF					
Bits [15:8]	TR		ST				FD	
Bits [7:0]	PM	PR		IF	PB	HO	SR	HP

Note: The CSR6 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read, they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 23 Operation Mode Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR6.30	RA	Receive all When set, all incoming frames are received, regardless of their destination address. An address check is performed, and the result of the check is written into the receive descriptor (RDES0.30).
CSR6.22	TTM	Transmit threshold mode 1: Transmit FIFO threshold set for 100 Mbps mode 0: Transmit FIFO threshold set for 10 Mbps mode In RMII mode, this bit is also used to select the frequency of both transmit and receive clocks between 2.5 MHz and 25 MHz. This bit can be changed only when a transmit process is in a stopped state.
CSR6.21	SF	Store and forward When set, the transmission starts after a full packet is written into the transmit FIFO, regardless of the current FIFO threshold level. This bit can be changed only when the transmit process is in the stopped state.
CSR6.(15..14)	TR	Threshold control bits These bits, together with TTM, SF, and PS, control the threshold level for the transmit FIFO.
CSR6.13	ST	Start/stop transmit command Setting this bit when the transmit process is in a stopped state causes a transition into a running state. In the running state, Core10100_AHBAPB checks the transmit descriptor at a current descriptor list position. If Core10100_AHBAPB owns the descriptor, then the data starts to transfer from memory into the internal transmit FIFO. If the host owns the descriptor, Core10100_AHBAPB enters a suspended state. Clearing this bit when the transmit process is in a running or suspended state instructs Core10100_AHBAPB to enter the stopped state. Core10100_AHBAPB does not go into the stopped state immediately after clearing the ST bit; it will finish the transmission of the frame data corresponding to current descriptor and then moves to stopped state. The status bits of the CSR5 register should be read to check the actual transmit operation state. Before giving the Stop Transmit command, the transmit state machine in CSR5 can be checked. If the Transmission State machine is in SUSPENDED state, the Stop Transmit command can be given so that complete frame transmission by MAC is ensured.
CSR6.9	FD	Full-duplex mode: 0: Half-duplex mode 1: Forcing full-duplex mode Changing of this bit is allowed only when both the transmitter and receiver processes are in the stopped state.

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR6.7	PM	<p>Pass all multicast</p> <p>When set, all frames with multicast destination addresses will be received, regardless of the address check result.</p>
CSR6.6	PR	<p>Promiscuous mode</p> <p>When set, all frames will be received regardless of the address check result. An address check is not performed.</p>
CSR6.4	IF	<p>Inverse filtering (read-only)</p> <p>If this bit is set when working in a perfect filtering mode, the receiver performs an inverse filtering during the address check process.</p> <p>The “filtering type” bits of the setup frame determine the state of this bit.</p>
CSR6.3	PB	<p>Pass bad frames</p> <p>When set, Core10100_AHBAPB transfers all frames into the data buffers, regardless of the receive errors. This allows the runt frames, collided fragments, and truncated frames to be received.</p>
CSR6.2	HO	<p>Hash-only filtering mode (read-only)</p> <p>When set, Core10100_AHBAPB performs an imperfect filtering over both the multicast and physical addresses.</p> <p>The “filtering type” bits of the setup frame determine the state of this bit.</p>
CSR6.1	SR	<p>Start/stop receive command</p> <p>Setting this bit enables the reception of the frame by Core10100_AHBAPB and the frame is written into the receive FIFO. If the bit is not enabled, then the frame is not written into the receive FIFO.</p> <p>Setting this bit when the receive process is in a stopped state causes a transition into a running state. In the running state, Core10100_AHBAPB checks the receive descriptor at the current descriptor list position. If Core10100_AHBAPB owns the descriptor, it can process an incoming frame. When the host owns the descriptor, the receiver enters a suspended state and also sets the CSR5.7 (receive buffer unavailable) bit.</p> <p>Clearing this bit when the receive process is in a running or suspended state instructs Core10100_AHBAPB to enter a stopped state after receiving the current frame.</p> <p>Core10100_AHBAPB does not go into the stopped state immediately after clearing the SR bit. Core10100_AHBAPB will finish all pending receive operations before going into the stopped state. The status bits of the CSR5 register should be read to check the actual receive operation state.</p>
CSR6.0	HP	<p>Hash/perfect receive filtering mode (read-only)</p> <p>0: Perfect filtering of the incoming frames is performed according to the physical addresses specified in a setup frame.</p> <p>1: Imperfect filtering over the frames with the multicast addresses is performed according to the hash table specified in a setup frame.</p> <p>A physical address check is performed according to the CSR6.2 (HO, hash-only) bit. When both the HO and HP bits are set, an imperfect filtering is performed on all of the addresses.</p> <p>The “filtering type” bits of the setup frame determine the state of this bit.</p>

Table 24 lists all possible combinations of the address filtering bits. The actual values of the IF, HO, and HP bits are determined by the filtering type (FT1–FT0) bits in the setup frame, as listed in Table 44. The IF, HO, and HP bits are read-only.

Table 24 Receive Address Filtering Modes Summary

PM CSR6.7	PR CSR6.6	IF CSR6.4	HO CSR6.2	HP CSR6.0	Current Filtering Mode
0	0	0	0	0	16 physical addresses: perfect filtering mode
0	0	0	0	1	One physical address for physical addresses and 512-bit hash table for multicast addresses
0	0	0	1	1	512-bit hash table for both physical and multicast addresses
0	0	1	0	0	Inverse filtering
x	1	0	0	x	Promiscuous mode
0	1	0	1	1	Promiscuous mode
1	0	0	0	x	Pass all multicast frames
1	0	0	1	1	Pass all multicast frames

Table 25 lists the transmit FIFO threshold levels. These levels are specified in bytes.

Table 25 Transmit FIFO Threshold Levels (bytes)

CSR6.21	CSR6.15..14	CSR6.22 = 1	CSR6.22 = 0
0	00	64	128
0	01	128	256
0	10	128	512
0	11	256	1024
1	xx	Store and forward	Store and forward

Table 26 Interrupt Enable Register (CSR7)

Bits [31:24]								
Bits [23:16]								NIE
Bits [15:8]	AIE	ERE			GTE	ETE		RSE
Bits [7:0]	RUE	RIE	UNE			TUE	TSE	TIE

Note: The CSR7 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read, they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 27 Interrupt Enable Register Bit Function

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR7.16	NIE	Normal interrupt summary enable When set, normal interrupts are enabled. Normal interrupts are listed below: CSR5.0: Transmit interrupt CSR5.2: Transmit buffer unavailable CSR5.6: Receive interrupt CSR5.11: General-purpose timer expired CSR5.14: Early receive interrupt
CSR7.15	AIE	Abnormal interrupt summary enable When set, abnormal interrupts are enabled. Abnormal interrupts are listed below: CSR5.1: Transmit process stopped CSR5.5: Transmit underflow CSR5.7: Receive buffer unavailable CSR5.8: Receive process stopped CSR5.10: Early transmit interrupt
CSR7.14	ERE	Early receive interrupt enable When both the ERE and NIE bits are set, early receive interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.11	GTE	General-purpose timer overflow enable When both the GTE and NIE bits are set, the general-purpose timer overflow interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.10	ETE	Early transmit interrupt enable When both the ETE and AIE bits are set, the early transmit interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.8	RSE	Receive stopped enable When both the RSE and AIE bits are set, the receive stopped interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.7	RUE	Receive buffer unavailable enable When both the RUE and AIE bits are set, the receive buffer unavailable is enabled.
CSR7.6	RIE	Receive interrupt enable When both the RIE and NIE bits are set, the receive interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.5	UNE	Underflow interrupt enable When both the UNE and AIE bits are set, the transmit underflow interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.2	TUE	Transmit buffer unavailable enable When both the TUE and NIE bits are set, the transmit buffer unavailable interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.1	TSE	Transmit stopped enable When both the TSE and AIE bits are set, the transmit process stopped interrupt is enabled.
CSR7.0	TIE	Transmit interrupt enable When both the TIE and NIE bits are set, the transmit interrupt is enabled.

Table 28 Missed Frames and Overflow Counter Register (CSR8)

Bits [31:24]				OCO	FOC(10..7)	
Bits [23:16]	FOC(6..0)					MFO
Bits [15:8]	MFC(15..8)					
Bits [7:0]	MFC(7..0)					

Note: The CSR8 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 29 Missed Frames and Overflow Counter Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR8.28	OCO	Overflow counter overflow (read-only) Gets set when the FIFO overflow counter overflows. Resets when the high byte (bits 31:24) is read.
CSR8.(27..17)	FOC	FIFO overflow counter (read-only) Counts the number of frames not accepted due to the receive FIFO overflow. The counter resets when the high byte (bits 31:24) is read.
CSR8.16	MFO	Missed frame overflow Set when a missed frame counter overflows. The counter resets when the high byte (bits 31:24) is read.
CSR8.(15..0)	MFC	Missed frame counter (read-only) Counts the number of frames not accepted due to the unavailability of the receive descriptor. The counter resets when the high byte (bits 31:24) is read. The missed frame counter increments when the internal frame cache is full and the descriptors are not available.

Table 30 MII Management and Serial ROM Interface Register (CSR9)

Bits [31:24]								
Bits [23:16]					MDI	MDEN	MDO	MDC
Bits [15:8]								
Bits [7:0]					SDO	SDI	SCLK	SCS

Note: The CSR9 register has unimplemented bits (shaded). If these bits are read they will return a predefined value. Writing to these bits has no effect.

Table 31 MII Management and Serial ROM Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR9.19	MDI	<p>II management data in signal (read-only)</p> <p>This bit reflects the sample on the mdi port during the read operation on the MII management interface.</p>
CSR9.18	MDEN	<p>II management operation mode</p> <p>1: Indicates that Core10100_AHBAPB reads the MII PHY registers</p> <p>0: Indicates that Core10100_AHBAPB writes to the MII PHY registers</p> <p>This register bit directly drives the top-level MDEN pin. It is intended to be the active low tristate enable for the MDIO data output.</p>
CSR9.17	MDO	<p>II management write data</p> <p>The value of this bit drives the mdo port when a write operation is performed.</p>
CSR9.16	MDC	<p>II management clock</p> <p>The value of this bit drives the mdc port.</p>
CSR9.3	SDO	<p>Serial ROM data output</p> <p>The value of this bit drives the sdo port of Core10100_AHBAPB.</p>
CSR9.2	SDI	<p>Serial ROM data input</p> <p>This bit reflects the sdi port of Core10100_AHBAPB.</p>
CSR9.1	SCLK	<p>Serial ROM clock</p> <p>The value of this bit drives the sclk port of Core10100_AHBAPB.</p>
CSR9.0	SCS	<p>Serial ROM chip select</p> <p>The value of this bit drives the scs port of Core10100_AHBAPB.</p>

The MII management interface can be used to control the external PHY device from the host side. It allows access to all of the internal PHY registers through a simple two-wire interface. There are two signals on the MII management interface: the MDC (Management Data Clock) and the MDIO (Management Data I/O). The IEEE 802.3 indirection tristate signal defines the MDIO. Core10100_AHBAPB uses four unidirectional external signals to control the management interface. For proper operation of the interface, the user must connect a tristate buffer with an active low enable (inside or outside the FPGA), as shown in [Figure 4](#). The Serial ROM interface can be used to access an external Serial ROM device through CSR9. The user can supply an external Serial ROM device, as shown in [Figure 4-2](#) on page 35. The Serial ROM can be used to store user data, such as Ethernet addresses. Note that all access sequences and timing of the Serial ROM interface are handled by the software.

If the Serial ROM interface is not used, the sdi input port should be connected to logic 0 and the output ports (SCS, SCLK, and SDO) should be left unconnected.

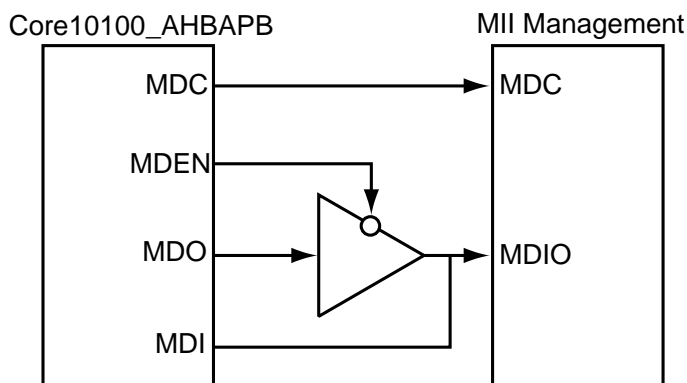


Figure 4 Tristate Buffer Connections

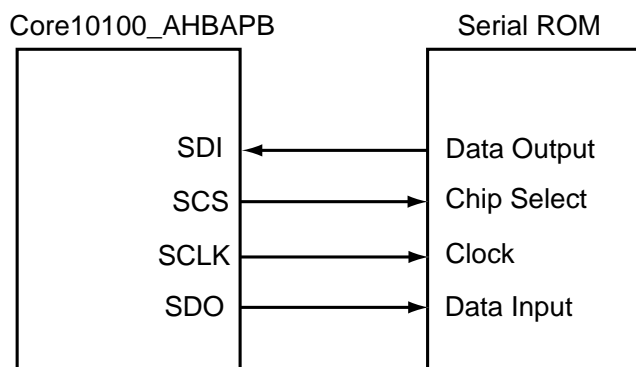


Figure 5 External Serial ROM Connections

Table 32 General-Purpose Timer and Interrupt Mitigation Control Register (CSR11)

Bits [31:24]	CS	TT	NTP
Bits [23:16]	RT	NRP	CON
Bits [15:8]	TIM(15..8)		
Bits [7:0]	TIM(7..0)		

Table 33 General-Purpose Timer and Interrupt Mitigation Control Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR11.31	CS	<p>Cycle size</p> <p>Controls the time units for the transmit and receive timers according to the following:</p> <p>1:</p> <p>MII 100 Mbps mode: 5.12 μs</p> <p>MII 10 Mbps mode: 51.2 μs</p> <p>0:</p> <p>MII 100 Mbps mode: 81.92 μs</p> <p>MII 10 Mbps mode: 819.2 μs</p>
CSR11.(30..27)	TT	<p>Transmit timer</p> <p>Controls the maximum time that must elapse between the end of a transmit operation and the setting of the CSR5.TI (transmit interrupt) bit.</p> <p>This time is equal to $TT \times (16 \times CS)$.</p> <p>The transmit timer is enabled when written with a nonzero value. After each frame transmission, the timer starts to count down if it has not already started. It is reloaded after every transmitted frame.</p> <p>Writing 0 to this field disables the timer effect on the transmit interrupt mitigation mechanism.</p> <p>Reading this field gives the actual count value of the timer.</p>

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR11.(26..24)	NTP	<p>Number of transmit packets</p> <p>Controls the maximum number of frames transmitted before setting the CSR5.TI (transmit interrupt) bit.</p> <p>The transmit counter is enabled when written with a nonzero value. It is decremented after every transmitted frame. It is reloaded after setting the CSR5.TI bit.</p> <p>Writing 0 to this field disables the counter effect on the transmit interrupt mitigation mechanism.</p> <p>Reading this field gives the actual count value of the counter.</p>
CSR11.(23..20)	RT	<p>Receive timer</p> <p>Controls the maximum time that must elapse between the end of a receive operation and the setting of the CSR5.RI (receive interrupt) bit.</p> <p>This time is equal to $RT \times CS$.</p> <p>The receive timer is enabled when written with a nonzero value. After each frame reception, the timer starts to count down if it has not already started. It is reloaded after every received frame.</p> <p>Writing 0 to this field disables the timer effect on the receive interrupt mitigation mechanism.</p> <p>Reading this field gives the actual count value of the timer.</p>
CSR11.(19..17)	NRP	<p>Number of receive packets</p> <p>Controls the maximum number of received frames before setting the CSR5.RI (receive interrupt) bit.</p> <p>The receive counter is enabled when written with a nonzero value. It is decremented after every received frame. It is reloaded after setting the CSR5.RI bit.</p> <p>Writing 0 to this field disables the timer effect on the receive interrupt mitigation mechanism.</p> <p>Reading this field gives the actual count value of the counter.</p>
CSR11.16	CON	<p>Continuous mode</p> <p>1: General-purpose timer works in continuous mode</p> <p>0: General-purpose timer works in one-shot mode</p> <p>This bit must always be written before the timer value is written.</p>
CSR11.(15..0)	TIM	<p>Timer value</p> <p>Contains the number of iterations of the general-purpose timer. Each iteration duration is as follows:</p> <p>MII 100 Mbps mode – 81.92 μs MII 10</p> <p>Mbps mode – 819.2 μs</p>

Frame Data and Descriptors

Descriptor / Data Buffer Architecture Overview

A data exchange between the host and Core10100_AHBAPB is performed through the descriptor lists and data buffers, which reside in the system shared RAM. The buffers hold the host data to be transmitted or received by Core10100_AHBAPB. The descriptors act as pointers to these buffers. Each descriptor list should be constructed by the host in a shared memory area and can be of an arbitrary size. There is a separate list of descriptors for both the transmit and receive processes.

The position of the first descriptor in the descriptor list is described by CSR3 for the receive list and by CSR4 for the transmit list. The descriptors can be arranged in either a chained or a ring structure. In a chained structure, every descriptor contains a pointer to the next descriptor in the list. In a ring structure, the address of the next descriptor is determined by CSR0.(6..2) (DSL—descriptor skip length). Every descriptor can point to up to two data buffers. When using descriptor chaining, the address of the second buffer is used as a pointer to the next descriptor; thus, only one buffer is available. A frame can occupy one or more data descriptors and buffers, but one descriptor cannot exceed a single frame. In a ring structure, the descriptor operation may be corrupted if only one descriptor is used. Additionally, in the ring structure, at least two descriptors must be set up by the host. In a transmit process, the host can give the ownership of the first descriptor to Core10100_AHBAPB and causes the data specified by the first descriptor to be transmitted. At the same time, the host holds the ownership of the second or last descriptor to itself. This is done to prevent Core10100_AHBAPB from fetching the next frame until the host is ready to transmit the data specified in the second descriptor. In a receive process, the ownership of all available descriptors, unless it is pending processing by the host, must be given to Core10100_AHBAPB.

Core10100_AHBAPB can store a maximum of two frames in the Transmit Data FIFO, including the frame waiting inside the Transmit Data FIFO, the frame being transferred from the data interface into the Transmit Data FIFO, and the frame being transmitted out through the MII interface from the Transmit Data FIFO.

Core10100_AHBAPB can store a maximum of four frames in the Receive Data FIFO, including the frame waiting inside the Receive Data FIFO, the frame being transferred to the data interface from the Receive Data FIFO, and the frame being received through the MII interface into the Receive Data FIFO.

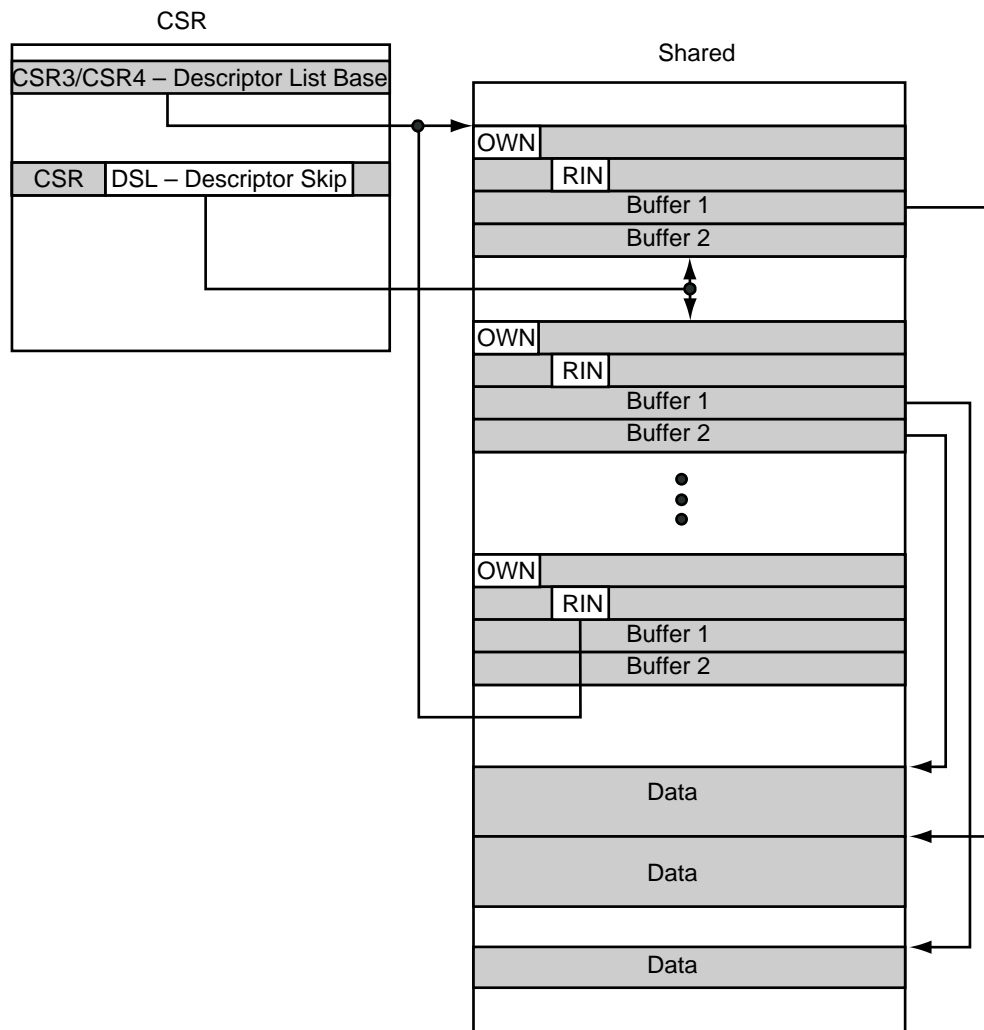


Figure 6 Descriptors in Ring Structure

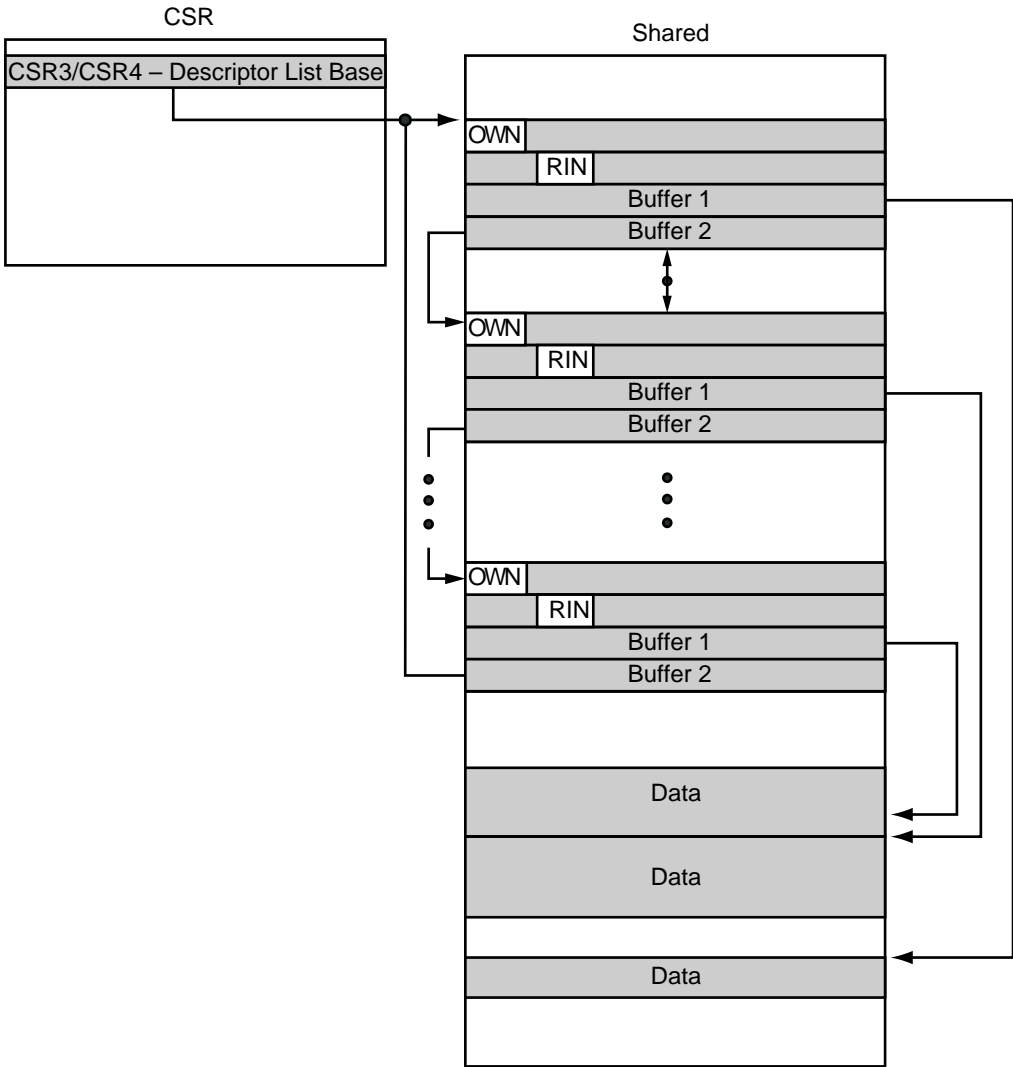


Figure 7 Descriptors in Chained Structure

Table 34 Receive Descriptors

RDES0	OWN	STATUS		
RDES1	CONTROL		RBS2	RBS1
RDES2	RBA1			
RDES3	RBA2			

Table 35 STATUS (RDES0) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES0.31	OWN	Ownership bit 1: Core10100_AHBAPB owns the descriptor. 0: The host owns the descriptor. Core10100_AHBAPB will clear this bit when it completes a current frame reception or when the data buffers associated with a given descriptor are already full.
RDES0.30	FF	Filtering fail When set, indicates that a received frame did not pass the address recognition process. This bit is valid only for the last descriptor of the frame (RDES0.8 set), when the CSR6.30 (receive all) bit is set and the frame is at least 64 bytes long.
RDES0.(29..16)	FL	Frame length Indicates the length, in bytes, of the data transferred into a host memory for a given frame This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set and RDES0.14 (descriptor error) is cleared.
RDES0.15	ES	Error summary This bit is a logical OR of the following bits: RDES0.1: CRC error RDES0.6: Collision seen RDES0.7: Frame too long RDES0.11: Runt frame RDES0.14: Descriptor error This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.
RDES0.14	DE	Descriptor error Set by Core10100_AHBAPB when no receive buffer was available when trying to store the received data. This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.
RDES0.11	RF	Runt frame When set, indicates that the frame is damaged by a collision or by a premature termination before the end of a collision window. This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.
RDES0.10	MF	Multicast frame When set, indicates that the frame has a multicast address. This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.
RDES0.9	FS	First descriptor When set, indicates that this is the first descriptor of a frame.
RDES0.8	LS	Last descriptor When set, indicates that this is the last descriptor of a frame.

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES0.7	TL	<p>Frame too long</p> <p>When set, indicates that a current frame is longer than maximum size of 1,518 bytes, as specified by 802.3.</p> <p>TL (frame too long) in the receive descriptor has been set when the received frame is longer than 1,518 bytes. This flag is valid in all receive descriptors when multiple descriptors are used for one frame.</p>
RDES0.6	CS	<p>Collision seen</p> <p>When set, indicates that a late collision was seen (collision after 64 bytes following SFD). This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.</p>
RDES0.5	FT	<p>Frame type</p> <p>When set, indicates that the frame has a length field larger than 1,500 (Ethernet-type frame). When cleared, indicates an 802.3-type frame.</p> <p>This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set. Additionally, FT is invalid for runt frames shorter than 14 bytes.</p>
RDES0.3	RE	<p>Report on MII error</p> <p>When set, indicates that an error has been detected by a physical layer chip connected through the MII interface.</p> <p>This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.</p>
RDES0.2	DB	<p>Dribbling bit</p> <p>When set, indicates that the frame was not byte-aligned. This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.</p>
RDES0.1	CE	<p>CRC error</p> <p>When set, indicates that a CRC error has occurred in the received frame. This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set.</p> <p>Additionally, CE is not valid when the received frame is a runt frame.</p>
RDES0.0	ZERO	<p>This bit is reset for frames with a legal length.</p>

Table 36 CONTROL and COUNT (RDES1) Bit

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES1.25	RER	Receive end of ring When set, indicates that this is the last descriptor in the receive descriptor ring. Core10100_AHBAPB returns to the first descriptor in the ring, as specified by CSR3 (start of receive list address).
RDES1.24	RCH	Second address chained When set, indicates that the second buffer's address points to the next descriptor and not to the data buffer. Note that RER takes precedence over RCH.
RDES1.(21..11)	RBS2	Buffer 2 size Indicates the size, in bytes, of memory space used by the second data buffer. This number must be a multiple of four. If it is 0, Core10100_AHBAPB ignores the second data buffer and fetches the next data descriptor. This number is valid only when RDES1.24 (second address chained) is cleared.
RDES1.(10..0)	RBS1	Buffer 1 size Indicates the size, in bytes, of memory space used by the first data buffer. This number must be a multiple of four. If it is 0, Core10100_AHBAPB ignores the first data buffer and uses the second data buffer.

Table 37 RBA1 (RDES2) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES2.(31..0)	RBA1	Receive buffer 1 address Indicates the length, in bytes, of memory allocated for the first receive buffer. This number must be longword-aligned (RDES2.(1..0) = 00).

Table 38 RBA2 (RDES3) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES3.(31..0)	RBA2	Receive buffer 2 address Indicates the length, in bytes, of memory allocated for the second receive buffer. This number must be longword-aligned (RDES3.(1..0) = 00).

Table 39 Transmit Descriptors

TDES0	OWN	STATUS		
TDES1	CONTROL		TBS2	TBS1
TDES2	TBA1			
TDES3	TBA2			

Table 40 STATUS (TDES0) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES0.31	OWN	Ownership bit 1: Core10100_AHBAPB owns the descriptor. 0: The host owns the descriptor. Core10100_AHBAPB will clear this bit when it completes a current frame transmission or when the data buffers associated with a given descriptor are empty.
TDES0.15	ES	Error summary This bit is a logical OR of the following bits: TDES0.1: Underflow error TDES0.8: Excessive collision error TDES0.9: Late collision TDES0.10: No carrier TDES0.11: Loss of carrier This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.11	LO	Loss of carrier When set, indicates a loss of the carrier during a transmission. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.10	NC	No carrier When set, indicates that the carrier was not asserted by an external transceiver during the transmission. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.9	LC	Late collision When set, indicates that a collision was detected after transmitting 64 bytes. This bit is not valid when TDES0.1 (underflow error) is set. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.8	EC	Excessive collisions When set, indicates that the transmission was aborted after 16 retries. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.(6..3)	CC	Collision count This field indicates the number of collisions that occurred before the end of a frame transmission. This value is not valid when TDES0.8 (excessive collisions bit) is set. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.1	UF	Underflow error When set, indicates that the FIFO was empty during the frame transmission. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.
TDES0.0	DE	Deferred When set, indicates that the frame was deferred before transmission. Deferring occurs if the carrier is detected when the transmission is ready to start. This bit is valid only when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set.

Table 41 CONTROL (TDES1) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES1.31	IC	Interrupt on completion Setting this flag instructs Core10100_AHBAPB to set CSR5.0 (transmit interrupt) immediately after processing a current frame. This bit is valid when TDES1.30 (last descriptor) is set or for a setup packet.
TDES1.30	LS	Last descriptor When set, indicates the last descriptor of the frame.
TDES1.29	FS	First descriptor When set, indicates the first descriptor of the frame.
TDES1.28	FT1	Filtering type This bit, together with TDES0.22 (FT0), controls a current filtering mode. This bit is valid only for the setup frames.
TDES1.27	SET	Setup packet When set, indicates that this is a setup frame descriptor.
TDES1.26	AC	Add CRC disable When set, Core10100_AHBAPB does not append the CRC value at the end of the frame. The exception is when the frame is shorter than 64 bytes and automatic byte padding is enabled. In that case, the CRC field is added, despite the state of the AC flag.
TDES1.25	TER	Transmit end of ring When set, indicates the last descriptor in the descriptor ring.
TDES1.24	TCH	Second address chained When set, indicates that the second descriptor's address points to the next descriptor and not to the data buffer. This bit is valid only when TDES1.25 (transmit end of ring) is reset.
TDES1.23	DPD	Disabled padding When set, automatic byte padding is disabled. Core10100_AHBAPB normally appends the PAD field after the INFO field when the size of an actual frame is less than 64 bytes. After padding bytes, the CRC field is also inserted, despite the state of the AC flag. When DPD is set, no padding bytes are appended.
TDES1.22	FT0	Filtering type This bit, together with TDES0.28 (FT1), controls the current filtering mode. This bit is valid only when the TDES1.27 (SET) bit is set.
TDES1.(21..11)	TBS2	Buffer 2 size Indicates the size, in bytes, of memory space used by the second data buffer. If it is zero, Core10100_AHBAPB ignores the second data buffer and fetches the next data descriptor. This bit is valid only when TDES1.24 (second address chained) is cleared.
TDES1.(10..0)	TBS1	Buffer 1 size Indicates the size, in bytes, of memory space used by the first data buffer. If it is 0, Core10100_AHBAPB ignores the first data buffer and uses the second data buffer.

Table 42 • TBA1 (TDES2) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES2.(31..0)	TBA1	Transmit buffer 1 address Contains the address of the first data buffer. For the setup frame, this address must be longword-aligned (TDES3.(1..0) = 00). In all other cases, there are no restrictions on buffer alignment.

Table 43 TBA2 (TDES3) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES3(31..0)	TBA2	Transmit buffer 2 address Contains the address of the second data buffer. There are no restrictions on buffer alignment.

MAC Address and Setup Frames

The setup frames define addresses that are used for the receive address filtering process. These frames are never transmitted on the Ethernet connection. They are used to fill the address filtering RAM. A valid setup frame must be exactly 192 bytes long and must be allocated in a single buffer that is longword- aligned. TDES1.27 (setup frame indicator) must be set. Both TDES1.29 (first descriptor) and TDES1.30 (last descriptor) must be cleared for the setup frame. The FT1 and FT0 bits of the setup frame define the current filtering mode.

Table 44 lists all possible combinations. Table 45 shows the setup frame buffer format for perfect filtering modes. Table 46 shows the setup frame buffer for imperfect filtering modes. The setup should be sent to Core10100_AHBAPB when Core10100_AHBAPB is in stop mode. When a RAM with more than 192 bytes is used for the address filtering RAM, a setup frame with more than 192 bytes can be written into this memory to initialize its contents, but only the first 192 bytes constitute the address filtering operation. While writing the setup frame buffer in the host memory, the buffer size must be twice the size of the setup frame buffer.

Table 44 Filtering Type Selection

FT1	FT0	Description
0	0	Perfect filtering mode Setup frame buffer is interpreted as a set of sixteen 48-bit physical addresses.
0	1	Hash filtering mode Setup frame buffer contains a 512-bit hash table plus a single 48-bit physical address.
1	0	Inverse filtering mode Setup frame buffer is interpreted as a set of sixteen 48-bit physical addresses.
1	1	Hash only filtering mode Setup frame buffer is interpreted as a 512-bit hash table.

Table 45 Perfect Filtering Setup Frame Buffer

Byte Number	Data Bits [31:16]	Data Bits [15:0]
[1:0]	{Physical Address [39:32],Physical Address [47:40]}	
[3:2]	{Physical Address [23:16],Physical Address [31:24]}	
[5:4]	{Physical Address [7:0],Physical Address [15:8]}	
[15:12]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (15:00)
[19:16]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (31:16)
[23:20]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (47:32)
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.	.	.
[171:168]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 14 (15:00)
[175:172]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 14 (31:16)
[179:176]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 14 (47:32)
[183:180]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 15 (15:00)
[187:184]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 15 (31:16)
[191:188]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 15 (47:32)

Table 46 Hash Table Setup Frame Buffer Format

Byte Number	Data Bits [31:16]	Data Bits [15:0]
[3:0]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (015:000)
[7:4]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (031:016)
[11:8]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (047:032)
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.	.	.
.	.	.
[123:121]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (495:480)
[127:124]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (511:496)
[131:128]	xx	
[135:132]	xx	
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.	.	.
[159:156]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (15:00)
[163:160]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (31:16)
[167:164]	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (47:32)

Byte Number	Data Bits [31:16]	Data Bits [15:0]
[171:168]	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
[175:172]	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
[183:180]	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
187:184	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
191:188	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Internal Operation

The address bus width of the Receive/Transmit Data RAMs can be customized through the core parameters RFIFODEPTH and TFIFODEPTH (Table 3-1 on page 17). Those memory blocks must be at least as big as the longest frame used on a given network. Core10100_AHBAPB stops to request new frame data when there are two frames already in the Transmit Data RAM. It resumes the request for new frame data when there is either one or no frame in the Transmit Data RAM.

At any given time, the Receive Data RAM can hold no more than four frames, including frames currently under transfer.

DMA Controller

The DMA is used to control a data flow between the host and Core10100_AHBAPB.

The DMA services the following types of requests from the Core10100_AHBAPB transmit and receive processes:

- Transmit request:
 - Descriptor fetch
 - Descriptor closing
 - Setup packet processing
 - Data transfer from host buffer to transmit FIFO
- Receive request:
 - Descriptor fetch
 - Descriptor closing
 - Data transfer from receive FIFO to host buffer

The key task for the DMA is to perform an arbitration between the receive and transmit processes. Two arbitration schemes are possible according to the CSR0.1 bit:

- 1: Round-robin arbitration scheme in which receive and transmit processes have equal priorities
- 0: The receive process has priority over the transmit process unless transmission is in progress.

In this case, the following rules apply:

- The transmit process request should be serviced by the DMA between two consecutive receive transfers.
- The receive process request should be serviced by the DMA between two consecutive transmit transfers.

Transfers between the host and Core10100_AHBAPB performed by the DMA component are either single data transfers or burst transfers. For the data descriptors, the data transfer size depends on the core parameter DATAWIDTH. The rule is that every descriptor field (32-bit) is accessed with a single burst. For DATAWIDTH = 32, the descriptors are accessed with a single transaction; for DATAWIDTH = 16, the descriptors are accessed with a burst of two 16-bit words, and for DATAWIDTH = 8, the descriptors are accessed with a burst of four 8-bit words.

In the case of data buffers, the burst length is defined by CSR0.(13..8) (programmable burst length) and can be set to 0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, or 32. When set to 0, no maximum burst size is defined, and the transfer ends when the transmit FIFOs are full or the receive FIFOs are empty.

Transmit Process

The transmit process can operate in one of three modes: running, stopped, or suspended. After a software or hardware reset, or after a stop transmit command, the transmit process is in a stopped state. The transmit process can leave a stopped state only after the start transmit command.

When in a running state, the transmit process performs descriptor/buffer processing. When operating in a suspended or stopped state, the transmit process retains the position of the next descriptor, that is, the address of the descriptor following the last descriptor being closed. After entering a running state, that position is used for the next descriptor fetch. The only exception is when the host writes the transmit.

descriptor base address register (CSR4). In that case, the descriptor address is reset and the fetch is directed to the first position in the list. Before writing to CSR4 the MAC must be in a stopped state.

When operating in a stopped state, the transmit process stopped (tps) output is HIGH. This output can be used to disable the clkt clock signal external to Core10100_AHBAPB. When both the tps and receive process stopped (rps) outputs are HIGH, all clock signals except PCLK can be disabled external to Core10100_AHBAPB.

The transmit process remains running until one of the following events occurs:

- The hardware or software reset is issued. Setting the CSR0.0 (SWR) bit can perform the software reset. After the reset, all the internal registers return to their default states. The current descriptor's position in the transmit descriptor list is lost.
- A stop transmit command is issued by the host. This can be performed by writing 0 to the CSR6.13 (ST) bit. The current descriptor's position is retained.
- The descriptor owned by the host is found. The current descriptor's position is retained.
- The transmit FIFO underflow error is detected. An underflow error is generated when the transmit FIFO is empty during the transmission of the frame. When it occurs, the transmit process enters a suspended state. Transmit automatic polling is internally disabled, even if it is enabled by the host by writing the TAP bits. The current descriptor's position is retained.

Leaving a suspended state is possible in one of the following situations:

- A transmit poll demand command is issued. This can be performed by writing CSR1 with a nonzero value. The transmit poll demand command can also be generated automatically when transmit automatic polling is enabled. Transmit automatic polling is enabled only if the CSR0(19..17) (TAP) bits are written with a nonzero value and when there was no underflow error prior to entering the suspended state.
- A stop transmit command is issued by the host. This can be performed by writing 0 to the CSR6.13 (ST) bit. The current descriptor's position is retained.

A typical data flow for the transmit process is illustrated in [Figure 8](#). The events for the transmit process typically happen in the following order:

1. The host sets up CSR registers for the operational mode, interrupts, etc.
2. The host sets up transmit descriptors/data in the shared RAM.
3. The host sends the transmit start command.
4. Core10100_AHBAPB starts to fetch the transmit descriptors.
5. Core10100_AHBAPB transfers the transmit data to Transmit Data RAM from the shared RAM.

6. Core10100_AHBAPB starts to transmit data on MII.

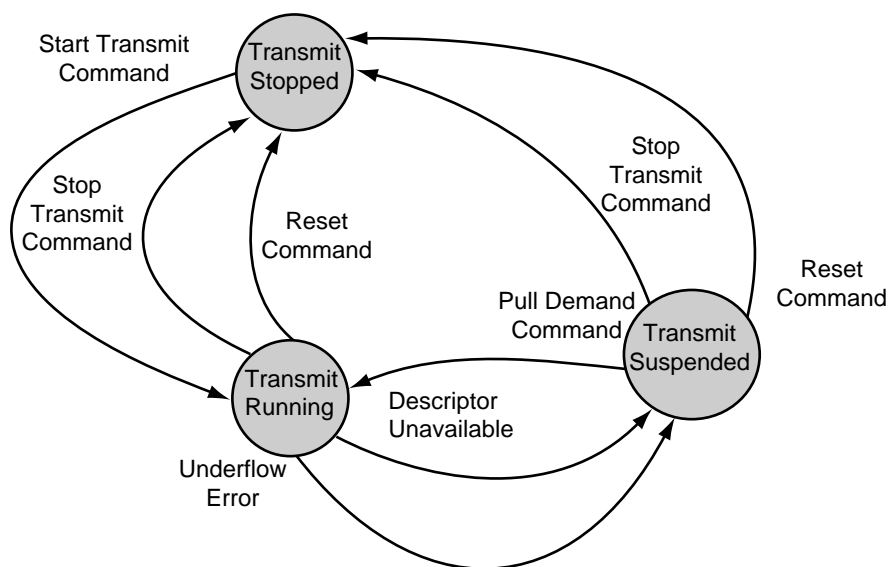


Figure 8 Transmit Process Transitions

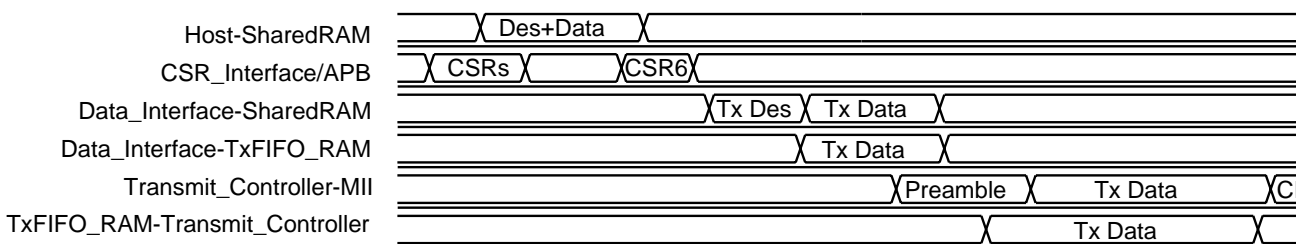


Figure 9 Transmit Data Flow

Receive Process

The receive process can operate in one of three modes: running, stopped, or suspended. After a software or hardware reset, or after a stop receive command, the receive process is in the stopped state. The receive process can leave a stopped state only after a start receive command.

In the running state, the receiver performs descriptor/buffer processing. In the running state, the receiver fetches from the receive descriptor list. It performs this fetch regardless of whether there is any frame on the link. When there is no frame pending, the receive process reads the descriptor and simply waits for the frames. When a valid frame is recognized, the receive process starts to fill the memory buffers pointed to by the current descriptor. When the frame ends, or when the memory buffers are completely filled, the current frame descriptor is closed (ownership bit cleared). Immediately, the next descriptor on the list is fetched in the same manner, and so on.

When operating in a suspended or stopped state, the receive process retains the position of the next descriptor (the address of the descriptor following the last descriptor that was closed). After entering a running state, the retained position is used for the next descriptor fetch. The only exception is when the host writes the receive descriptor base address register (CSR3). In that case, the descriptor address is reset and the fetch is pointed to the first position in the list. Before writing to CSR3, the MAC must be in a stopped state.

When operating in a stopped state, the rps output is HIGH. This output allows for switching the receive clock clkr off externally. When both the rps and tps outputs are HIGH, all clocks except PCLK can be externally switched off.

The receive process runs until one of the following events occurs:

- A hardware or software reset is issued by the host. A software reset can be performed by setting the CSR0.0 (SWR) bit. After reset, all internal registers return to their default states. The current descriptor's position in the receive descriptor list is lost.
- A stop receive command is issued by the host. This can be performed by writing 0 to the CSR6.1 (SR) bit. The current descriptor's position is retained.
- The descriptor owned by the host is found by Core10100_AHBAPB during the descriptor fetch.

The current descriptor's position is retained.

Leaving a suspended state is possible in one of the following situations:

- A receive poll command is issued by the host. This can be performed by writing CSR2 with a nonzero value.
- A new frame is detected by Core10100_AHBAPB on a receive link.
- A stop receive command is issued by the host. This can be performed by writing 0 to the CSR6.1 (SR) bit. The current descriptor's position is retained.

The receive state machine goes into stopped state after the current frame is done if a STOP RECEIVE command is given. It does not go in to a stopped state immediately.

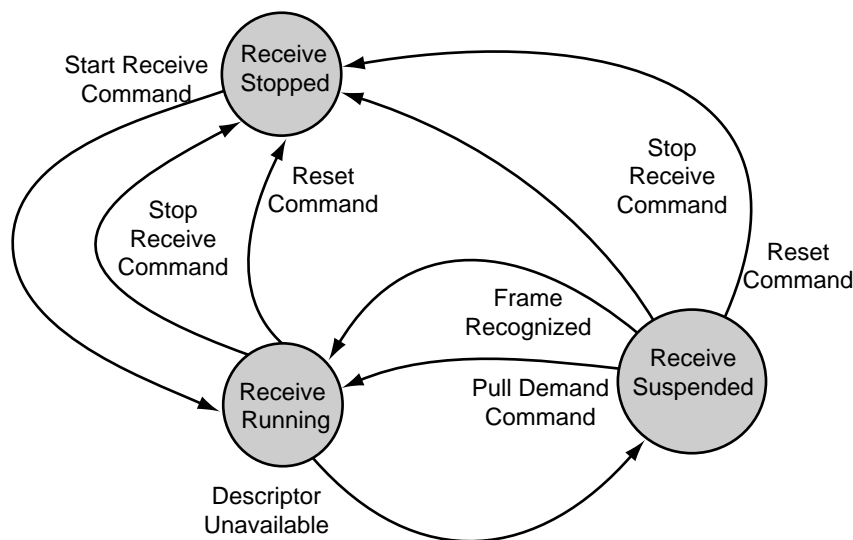


Figure 10 Receive Process Transitions

A typical data flow in a receive process is illustrated in Figure 10. The events for the receive process typically happen in the following order:

1. The host sets up CSR registers for the operational mode, interrupts, etc.
2. The host sets up receive descriptors in the shared RAM.
3. The host sends the receive start command.
4. Core10100_AHBAPB starts to fetch the transmit descriptors.
5. Core10100_AHBAPB waits for receive data on MII.
6. Core10100_AHBAPB transfers received data to the Receive Data RAM.
7. Core10100_AHBAPB transfers received data to shared RAM from Receive Data RAM

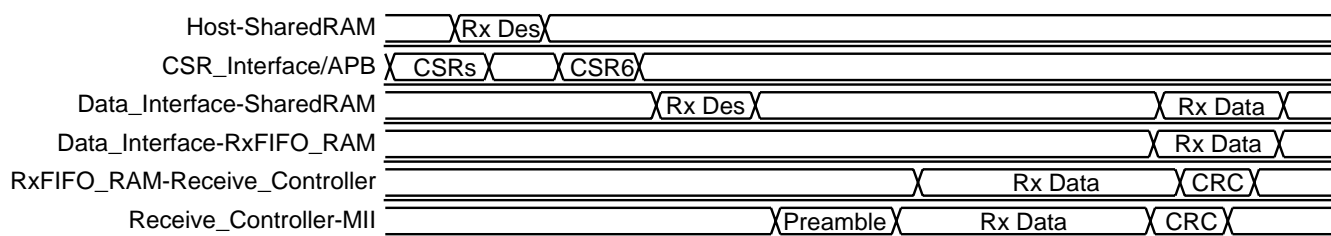


Figure 11 Receive Data Flow

Interrupt Controller

The interrupt controller uses three internal Control and Status registers: CSR5, CSR7, and CSR11. CSR5 contains the Core10100_AHBAPB status information. It has 10 bits that can trigger an interrupt. These bits are collected in two groups: normal interrupts and abnormal interrupts. Each group has its own summary bit, NIS and AIS, respectively. The NIS and AIS bits directly control the int output port of Core10100_AHBAPB. Every status bit in CSR5 that can source an interrupt can be individually masked by writing an appropriate value to CSR7 (Interrupt Enable register).

Additionally, an interrupt mitigation mechanism is provided for reducing CPU usage in servicing interrupts. Interrupt mitigation is controlled through CSR11. There are separate interrupt mitigation control blocks for the transmit and receive interrupts. Both of these blocks consist of a 4-bit frame counter and a 4-bit timer. The operation of these blocks is similar for the receive and transmit processes. After the end of a successful receive or transmission operation, an appropriate counter is decremented and the timer starts to count down if it has not already started. An interrupt is triggered when either the counter or the timer reaches a zero value. This allows Core10100_AHBAPB to generate a single interrupt for a few received/transmitted frames or after a specified time since the last successful receive/transmit operation.

It is possible to omit transmit interrupt mitigation for one particular frame by setting the Interrupt on Completion (IC) bit in the last descriptor of the frame. If the IC bit is set, Core10100_AHBAPB sets the transmit interrupt immediately after the frame has been transmitted.

The int port remains LOW for a single clock cycle on every write to CSR5. This enables the use of both level- and edge-triggered external interrupt controllers.

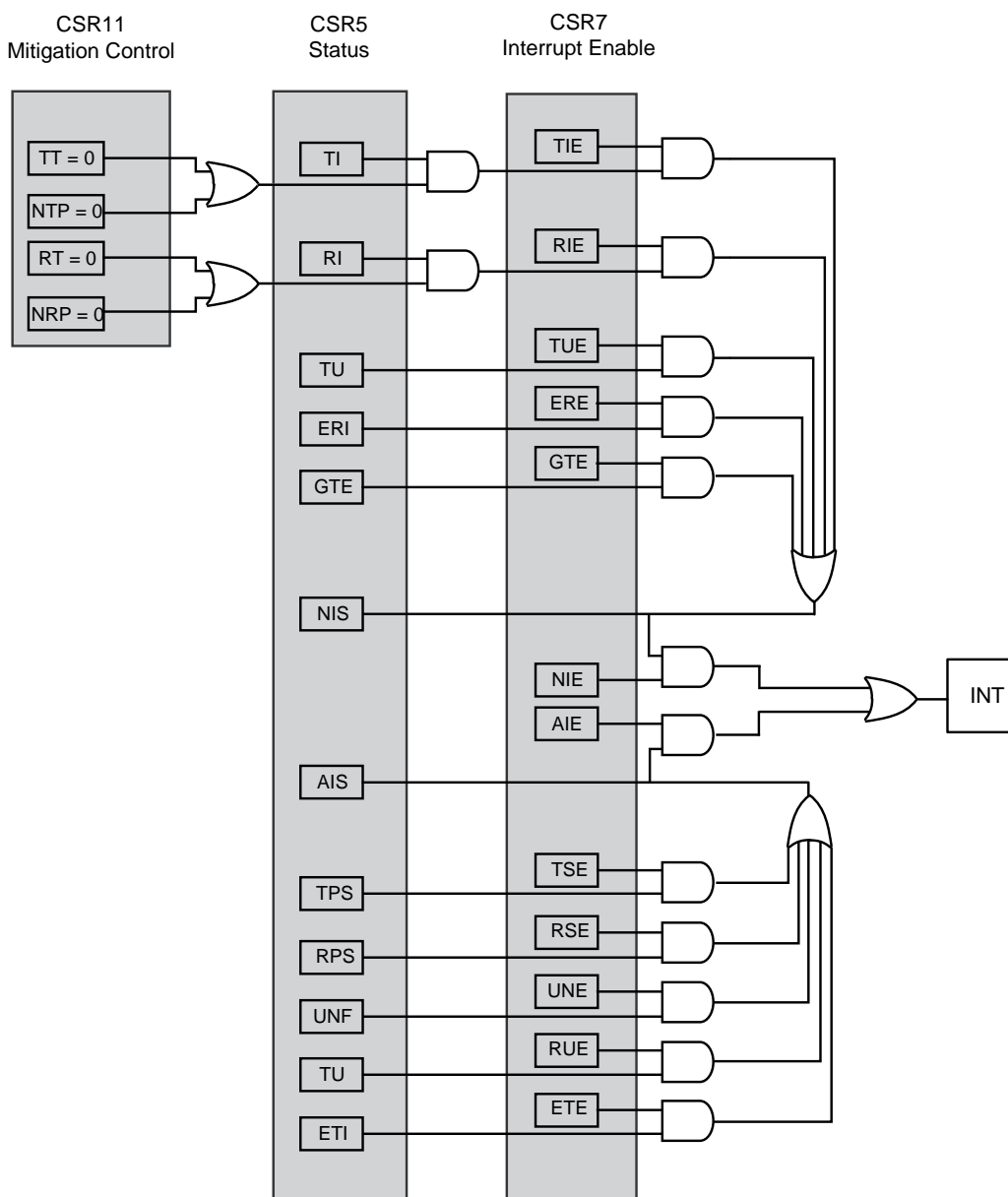


Figure 12 Interrupt Scheme

General-Purpose Timer

Core10100_AHBAPB includes a 16-bit general-purpose timer to simplify time interval calculation by an external host. The timer operates synchronously with the transmit clock clkt generated by the PHY device. This gives the host the possibility of measuring time intervals based on actual Ethernet bit time.

The timer can operate in one-shot mode or continuous mode. In one-shot mode, the timer stops after reaching a zero value; in continuous mode, it is automatically reloaded and continues counting down after reaching a zero value.

The actual count value can be tested with an accuracy of ± 1 bit by reading CSR11.(15..0). When writing CSR11.(15..0), the data is stored in the internal reload register. The timer is immediately reloaded and starts to count down.

Data Link Layer Operation

MII Interface

Core10100_AHBAPB uses a standard MII interface as defined in the 802.3 standard.

This interface can be used for connecting Core10100_AHBAPB to an external Ethernet 10/100 PHY device.

MII Interface Signals

Table 47 • External PHY Interface Signals

IEEE 802.3 Signal Name	Core10100_AHBAPB Signal Name	Description
RX_CLK	CLKR	Clock for receive operation This must be a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation.
RX_DV	RX_DV	Receive data valid signal The PHY device must assert RX_DV when a valid data nibble is provided on the RXD signal. The RX_DV signal must be synchronous to the CLKR receive clock.
RX_ER	RX_ER	Receive error If RX_ER is asserted during Core10100_AHBAPB reception, the frame is received and status of the frame is updated with RX_ER. The RX_ER signal must be synchronous to the CLKR receive clock.
RXD	RXD	Receive data recovered and decoded by PHY The RXD[0] signal is the least significant bit. The RXD bus must be synchronous to the CLKR receive clock.
TX_CLK	CLKT	Clock for transmit operation This must be a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation.
TX_EN	TX_EN	Transmit enable When asserted, indicates valid data for the PHY on TXD. The TX_EN signal is synchronous to the CLKT transmit clock.
TXD	TXD	Transmit data The TXD[0] signal is the least significant bit. The TXD bus is synchronous to the CLKT transmit clock.

IEEE 802.3 Signal Name	Core10100_AHBAPB Signal Name	Description
COL	COL	Collision detected This signal must be asserted by the PHY when a collision is detected on the medium. It is valid only when operating in a half-duplex mode. When operating in a full-duplex mode, this signal is ignored by Core10100_AHBAPB. The COL signal is not required to be synchronous to either CLKR or CLK. The COL signal is sampled internally by the CLK clock.
CRS	CRS	Carrier sense This signal must be asserted by the PHY when either a receive or a transmit medium is non-idle. The CRS signal is not required to be synchronous to either CLKR or CLK.
TX_ER	TX_ER	Transmit error The current version of Core10100_AHBAPB has the TX_ER signal statically tied to logic 0 (no transmit errors).
MDC	MDC	MII management clock This signal is driven by the CSR9.16 bit.
MDIO	MDI	MII management data input The state of this signal can be checked by reading the CSR9.19 bit.
	MDO	MII management data output This signal is driven by the CSR9.18 bit.

MII Receive Operation

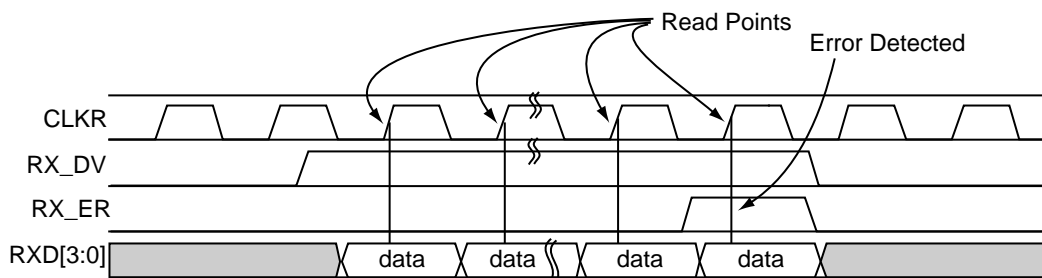


Figure 13 MII Receive Operation

MII Transmit Operation

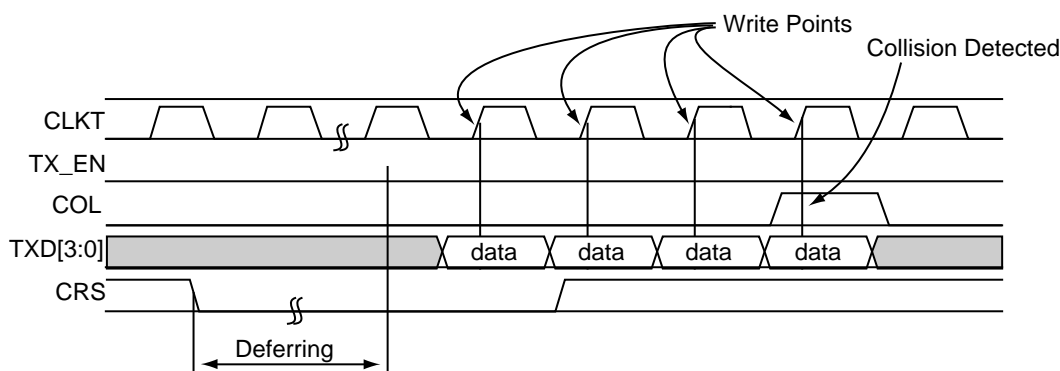


Figure 14 MII Transmit Operation

Frame Format

Core10100_AHBAPB supports the Ethernet frame format shown in [Figure 15](#) ("B" indicates bytes). The standard Ethernet frames (DIX Ethernet), as well as IEEE 802.3 frames, are accepted

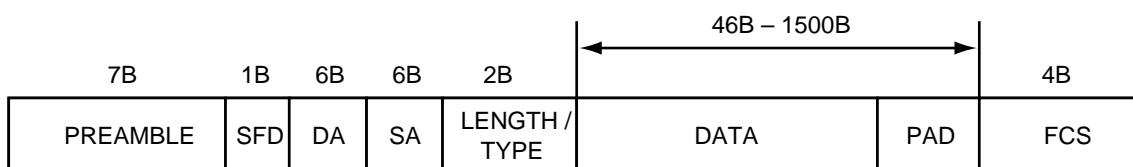


Figure 15 Frame Format

Table 48 • Frame Field Usage

Field	Width (bytes)	Transmit Operation	Receive Operation
PREAMBLE	7	Generated by Core10100_AHBAPB	Stripped from received data Not required for proper operation
SFD	1	Generated by Core10100_AHBAPB	Stripped from received data
DA	6	Supplied by host	Checked by Core10100_AHBAPB according to current address filtering mode and passed to host
SA	6	Supplied by host	Passed to host
LENGTH/ TYPE	6	Supplied by host	Passed to host
DATA	0-1500	Supplied by host	Passed to host
PAD	0-46	Generated by Core10100_AHBAPB when CSR.23 (DPD) bit is cleared and data supplied by host is less than 64 bytes	Passed to host
FCS	4	Generated by Core10100_AHBAPB when CSR.26 bit is cleared	Checked by Core10100_AHBAPB and passed to host

Collision Handling

Collision detection is performed through the col input port. If a collision is detected before the end of the PREAMBLE/ SFD, Core10100_AHBAPB completes the PREAMBLE/SFD, transmits the JAM sequence, and initiates a backoff computation. If a collision is detected after the transmission of the PREAMBLE and SFD, but prior to 512 bits being transmitted, Core10100_AHBAPB immediately aborts the transmission, transmits the JAM sequence, and then initiates a backoff. If a collision is detected after 512 bits have been transmitted, the collision is termed a late collision. Core10100_AHBAPB aborts the transmission and appends the JAM sequence. The transmit message is flushed from the FIFO. Core10100_AHBAPB does not initiate a backoff and does not attempt to retransmit the frame when a late collision is detected.

Core10100_AHBAPB uses a “truncated binary exponential backoff” algorithm for backoff computing, as defined in the IEEE 802.3 standard and outlined in [Figure 16](#).

Backoff processing is performed only in half-duplex mode. In full-duplex mode, collision detection is disabled.

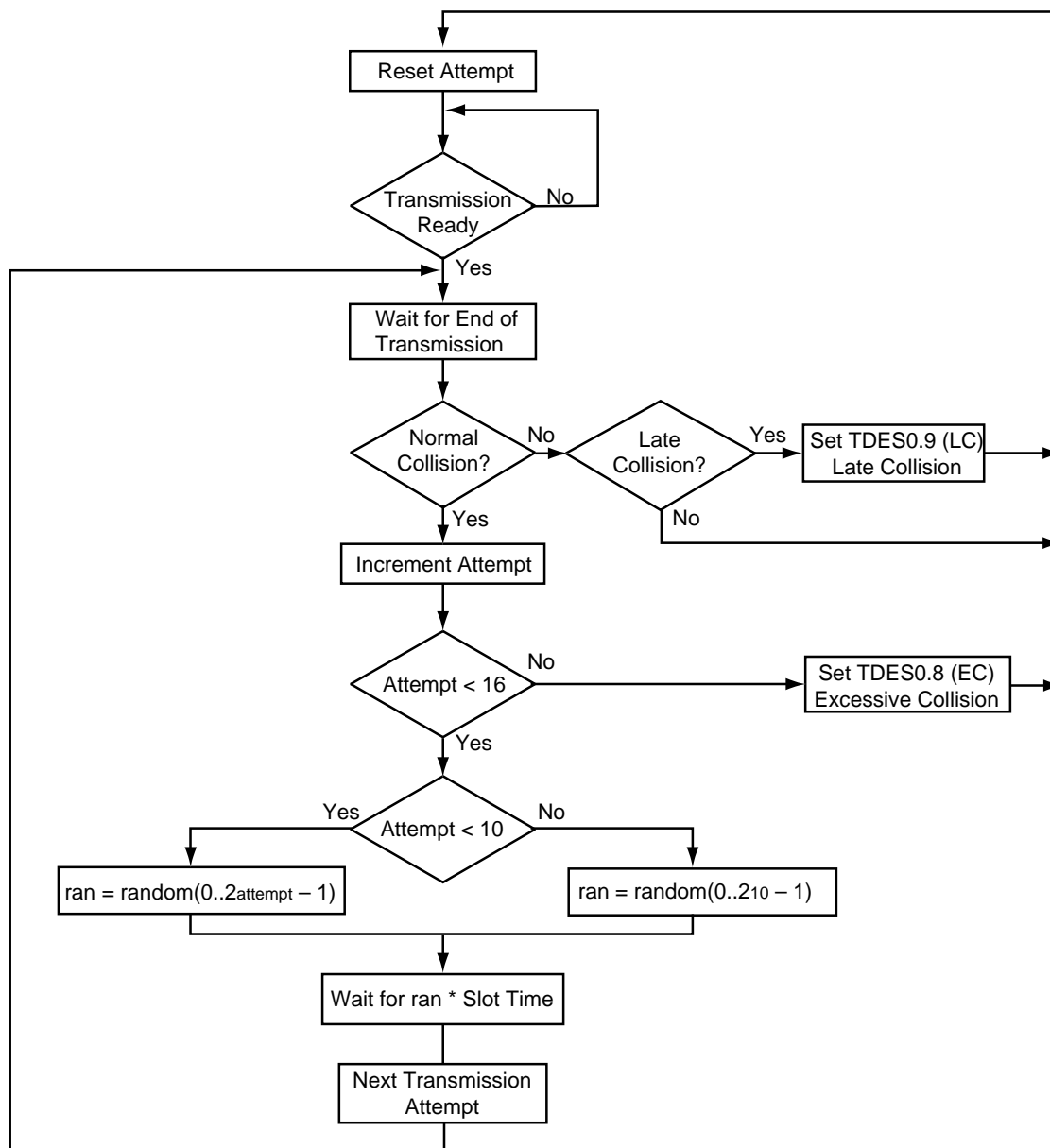


Figure 16 Backoff Process Algorithms

Deferring

The deferment algorithm is implemented per the 802.3 specification and outlined in [Figure 17](#). The InterFrame Gap (IFG) timer starts to count whenever the link is not idle. If activity on the link is detected during the first 60 bit times of the IFG timer, the timer is reset and restarted once activity has stopped. During the final 36 bit times of the IFG timer, the link activity is ignored.

Carrier sensing is performed only when operating in half-duplex mode. In Full-duplex mode, the state of the CRS input is ignored.

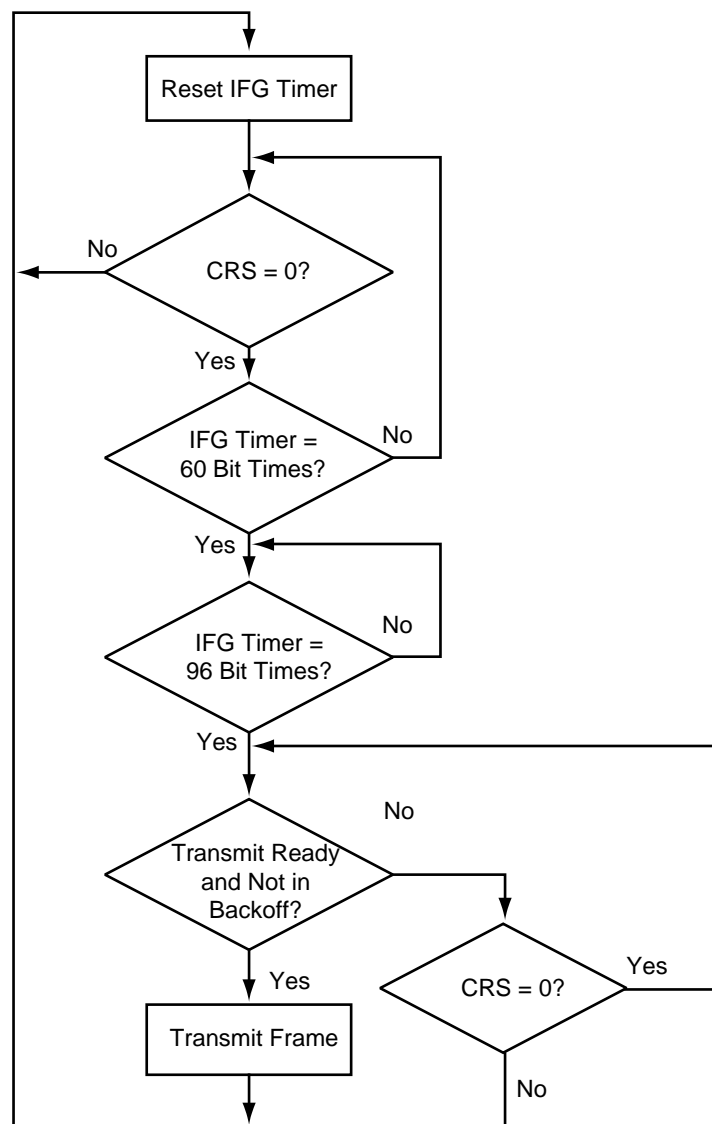


Figure 17 Deferment Process Algorithms

Receive Address Filtering

There are three kinds of addresses on the LAN: the unicast addresses, the multicast addresses, and the broadcast addresses. If the first bit of the address (IG bit) is 0, the frame is unicast, i.e., dedicated to a single station. If the first bit is 1, the frame is multicast, that is, destined for a group of stations. If the address field contains all ones, the frame is broadcast and is received by all stations on the LAN.

When Core10100_AHBAPB operates in perfect filtering mode, all frames are checked against the addresses in the address filtering RAM. The unicast, multicast, and broadcast frames are treated in the same manner.

When Core10100_AHBAPB operates in the imperfect filtering mode, the frames with the unicast addresses are checked against a single physical address. The multicast frames are checked using the 512-bit hash table. To receive the broadcast frame, the hash table bit corresponding to the broadcast address CRC value must be set. Core10100_AHBAPB applies the standard Ethernet CRC function to the first six bytes of the frame that contains a destination address. The least significant nine bits of the CRC value are used to index the table. If the indexed bit is set, the frame is accepted. If this bit is cleared, the frame is rejected. The algorithm is shown in [Figure 18](#).

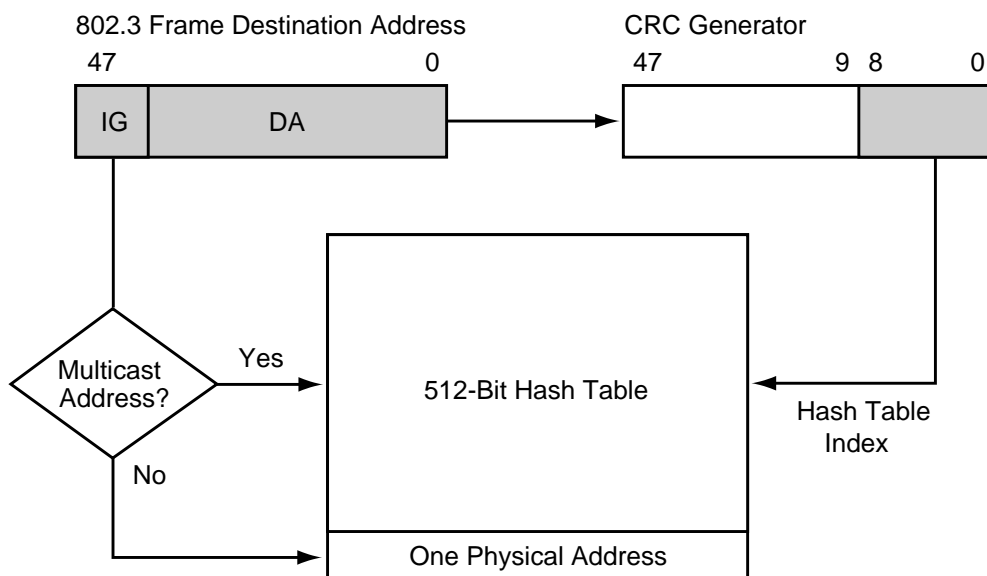


Figure 18 Filtering with One Physical Address and the Hash Table

It is important that one bit in the hash table corresponds to many Ethernet addresses. Therefore, it is possible that some frames may be accepted by Core10100_AHBAPB, even if they are not intended to be received. This is because some frames that should not have been received have addresses that hash to the same bit in the table as one of the proper addresses. The software should perform additional address filtering to reject all such frames. The receive address filtering RAM must be enabled using the ADDRFILTER core parameter to enable the above functionality.

Steps for Calculating CRC with Hash Filtering

Following are the steps the core is using, and Testbench/Software needs to follow. These are the steps for calculating CRC with which the hash filter logic of the DUT accepts the frames properly:

1. Initial value of the CRC is 0xFFFFFFFF.
2. XOR the incoming data bit with the 31st bit of the current CRC value.
3. Left shift the current CRC value by one bit.
4. Check the XORed value from step 2. If this value is 1'b1 then XOR the current CRC value with the generator polynomial (0x4C11DB7).
5. Insert the bit value result from step 2 at the 0th bit location of the current CRC value.
6. Repeat steps 2, 3, 4, and 5 until the CRC is calculated for all the bits of the data.

External Address Filtering Interface

An external address filtering interface is provided to extend the internal filtering capabilities of Core10100_AHBAPB. The interface allows connection of external user-supplied address checking logic. All signals from the interface are synchronous to the clkr clock.

If the external address filtering is not used, all input ports of the interface must be grounded and all output ports must be left floating.

Table 49 External Address Interface Description

Core10100_AHBAPB Signal Name	Type	Description
MATCH	In	External address match When HIGH, indicates that the destination address on the MATCHDATA port is recognized by the external address checking logic and that the current frame should be received by Core10100_AHBAPB. When LOW, indicates that the destination address on the MATCHDATA port is not recognized and that the current frame should be discarded. Note that the MATCH signal should be valid only when the MATCHVAL signal is HIGH.
MATCHVAL	In	External address match valid When HIGH, indicates that the MATCH signal is valid.
MATCHEN	Out	External match enable When HIGH, indicates that the MATCHDATA signal is valid. The MATCHEN output should be used as an enable signal for the external address checking logic. It is HIGH for at least four CLKR clock periods to allow for latency of external address checking logic.
MATCHDATA	Out	External address match data The MATCHDATA signal represents the 48-bit destination address of the received frame. Note that the MATCHDATA signal is valid only when matchen signal is HIGH.

MII to RMII Interface

The 25 MHz transmit clock (CLKT) and receive clock (CLKR) are derived from the 50 MHz RMII_CLK(REF_CLK) (divide by 2 for 100 Mbps operation). The 2.5 MHz transmit clock (CLKT) and receive clock (CLKR) are derived from the 50 MHz RMII_CLK (divide by 20 for 10 Mbps operation). The internal clock net CLK_TX_RX must be assigned to a global clock network. The CSR6 bit 22, which is connected to the SPEED port in the MII_RMII block, will select the clock frequency as either 2.5 MHz or 25 MHz.

The data width on the MII interface is 4 bits for both transmit and receive. The data width on the RMII interface is 2 bits for both transmit and receive. The CRS and RX_DV signals are decoded from CRS_DV. The COL signal is derived from AND-ing together the TX_EN and the decoded CRS signal from the CRS_DV line in half duplex mode.

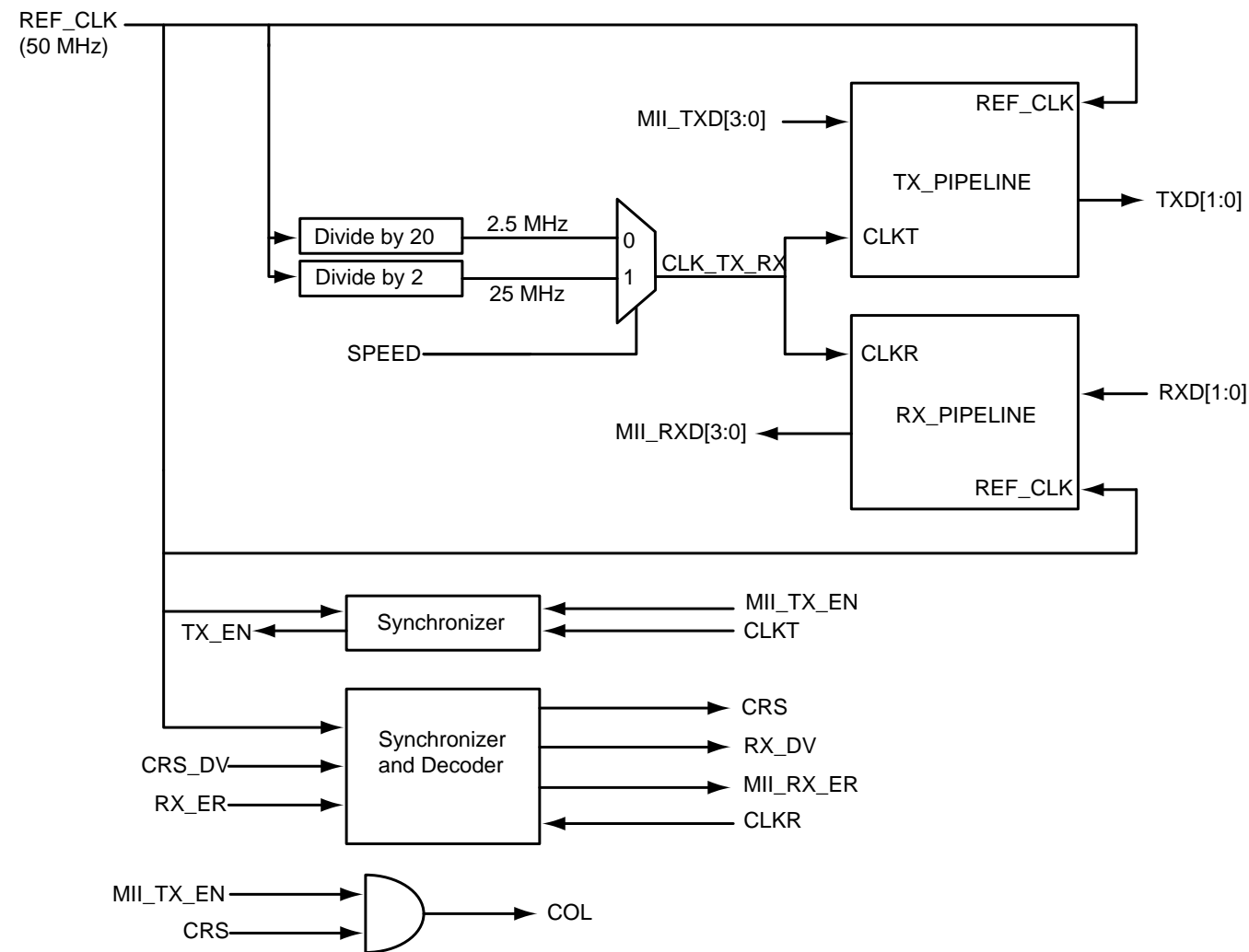


Figure 19 MII_TO_RMII Internal Architecture

Interface Timing

Core10100_AHBAPB—APB Interface

Figure 20 and Figure 21 depict typical write cycle and read cycle timing relationships relative to the APB system clock, PCLK.

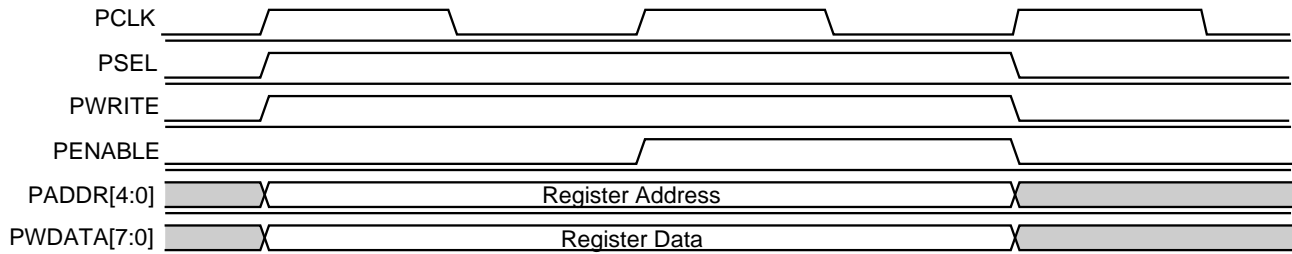


Figure 20 Data Write Cycle



Figure 21 Data Read Cycle

More detailed descriptions and timing waveforms can be found in the AMBA specification:
www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA_Spec.html.

Core10100_AHBAPB—AHB Interface

Core10100_AHBAPB implements an AMBA AHB-compliant master function on the core data interface, allowing the core to access memory for data storage. The AHB interface is compliant with the AMBA specification

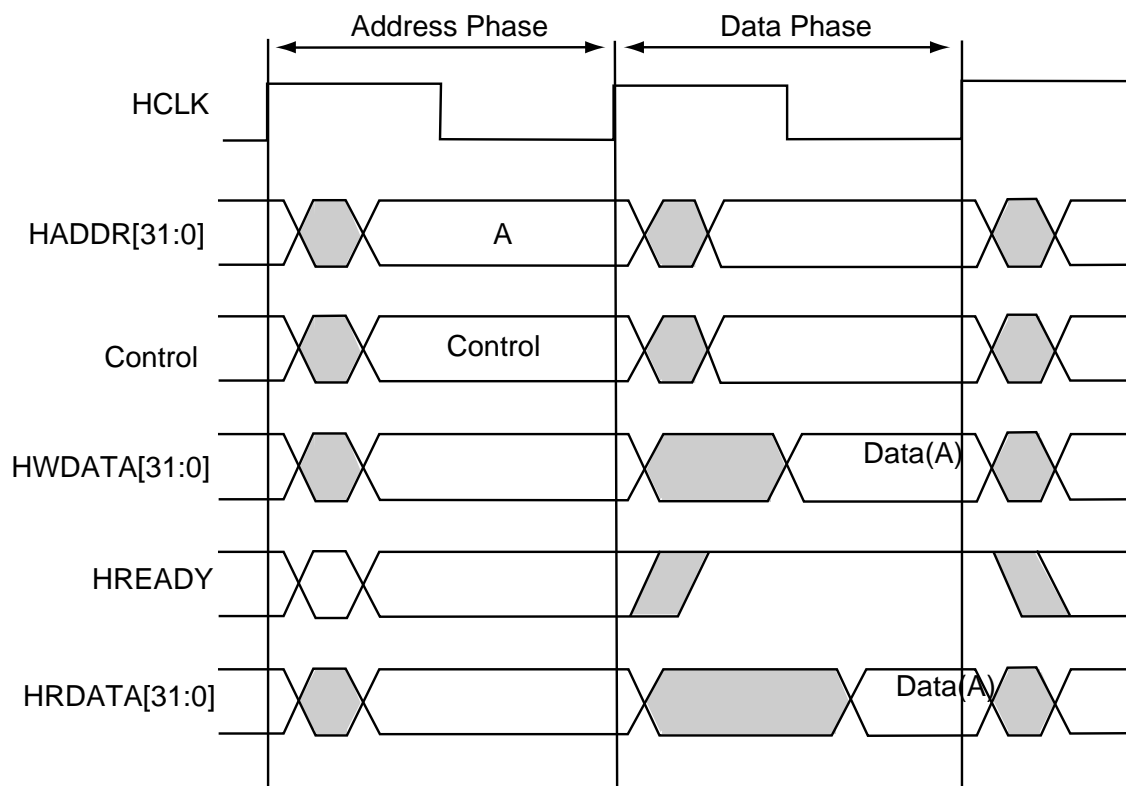


Figure 22 Simple Transfer

More detailed descriptions and timing waveforms can be found in the AMBA specification:
www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA_Spec.html.

Core10100_AHBAPB-RMII Interface

Core10100_AHBAPB implements the MII-to-RMII interface, which is compliant with the RMII specification. Full timing diagrams are available in the RMII specification:
www.national.com/appinfo/networks/files/rmii_1_2.pdf

Clock and Reset Control

Clock Controls

As shown in Figure 23, there are four clock domains in the design:

- The TC and BD components operate synchronously with the CLKT clock supplied by the MII PHY device. This is a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation or a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation.
- The RC operates synchronously with the CLKR clock supplied by the MII PHY device. This is a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation or a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation.
- The TFIFO, RFIFO, TLSM, RLSM, and DMA components operate synchronously with the HCLK global clock supplied by the system.
- The CSR operates synchronously with the PCLK clock supplied by the system.

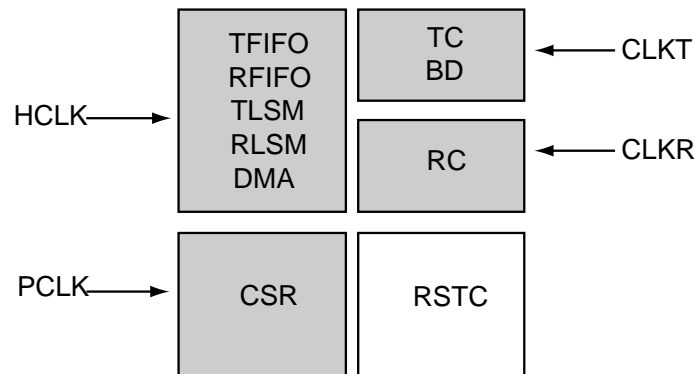


Figure 23 Clock Domains and Reset

All clock signals are independent and can be asynchronous one to another. If needed, the PCLK and HCLK clock domains can be connected together with the same system clock signal in the user's system to consolidate global clock resources, or they can be from independent clock sources.

A minimum frequency of clock PCLK is required for proper operation of the transmit, receive, and general-purpose timers. The minimum frequency for PCLK must be at least the clkt frequency divided by 64. For proper operation of the receive timer, the PCLK frequency must be at least the CLKR frequency divided by 64. If the clock frequency conditions described above are not met, do not use transmit interrupt mitigation control, receive interrupt mitigation control, or the general-purpose timer. Appropriate clocks should be also supplied when the hardware reset operation is performed.

Reset Control

Hardware Reset

Core10100_AHBAPB contains a single input RSTCSR signal. This signal is sampled in the RSTC component by clock PCLK. The RSTC component generates an internal asynchronous reset for every clock domain in Core10100_AHBAPB. The internal reset is generated by the input RSTCSR and software reset. The internal reset remains active until the circuitry of all clock domains is reset.

The external reset signal must be active (HIGH) for at least one period of clock PCLK in the user's design. The minimum recovery time for a software reset is two PCLK periods plus one maximum clock period among HCLK, CLKT, and CLKR.

Software Reset

Software reset can be performed by setting the CSR0.0 (SWR) bit. The software reset will reset all internal flip-flops.

Timing Constraints

Microsemi recommends that correct timing constraints be used for the Synthesis and Layout stages of the design process. In particular, the cross-clock-domain paths must be constrained as follows:

- FROM "HCLK" TO "CLKT" uses clock period of HCLK
- FROM "CLKT" TO "HCLK" uses clock period of CLKT
- FROM "HCLK" TO "CLKR" uses clock period of HCLK
- FROM "CLKR" TO "HCLK" uses clock period of CLKR
- FROM "PCLK" TO "CLKT" uses clock period of PCLK
- FROM "CLKT" TO "PCLK" uses clock period of CLKT
- FROM "PCLK" TO "CLKR" uses clock period of PCLK
- FROM "CLKR" TO "PCLK" uses clock period of CLKR

Testbench Operation and Modification

Core10100_AHBAPB User Testbench

The delivery of this product is included with the Obfuscated and RTL releases of Core10100_AHBAPB.

The Obfuscated and RTL releases provide the precompiled ModelSim model, as well as the source code for the user testbench, to ease the process of integrating the Core10100_AHBAPB macro into a design and verifying it.

A block diagram of the example user design and testbench is shown in [Figure 24](#).

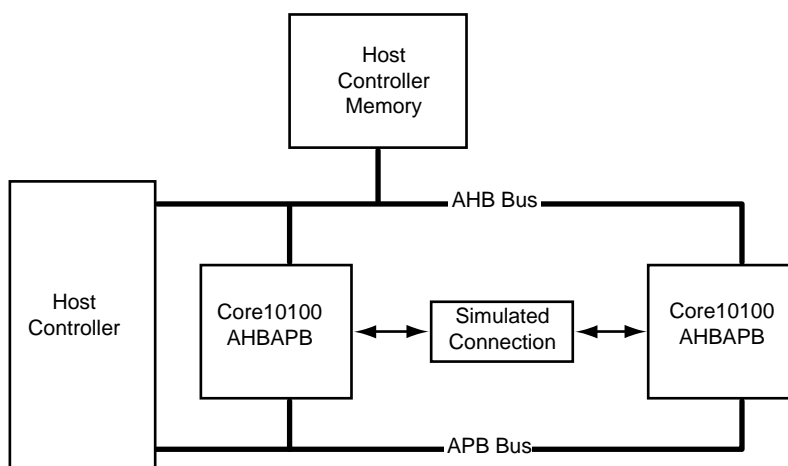


Figure 24 Core10100_AHBAPB User Testbench

System Operation

This chapter provides various hints to ease the process of implementation and integration of Core10100_AHBAPB into your own design.

Figure 25 and Figure 26 explain the way the MII and RMI interfaces can be connected for an MSS based system application.

Figure 25 and Figure 26 are a part of the MSS based webserver application. In this, MSS and other required design components along with the Core10100_AHBAPB are integrated to have a complete working webserver application.

Core10100_AHBAPB uses CoreAHLite and CoreAPB3 to have the communication with MSS for the control and data logic functionality. The other side, the PHY interfaces of Core10100_AHBAPB is extended to the top level for communicating to an external PHY device.

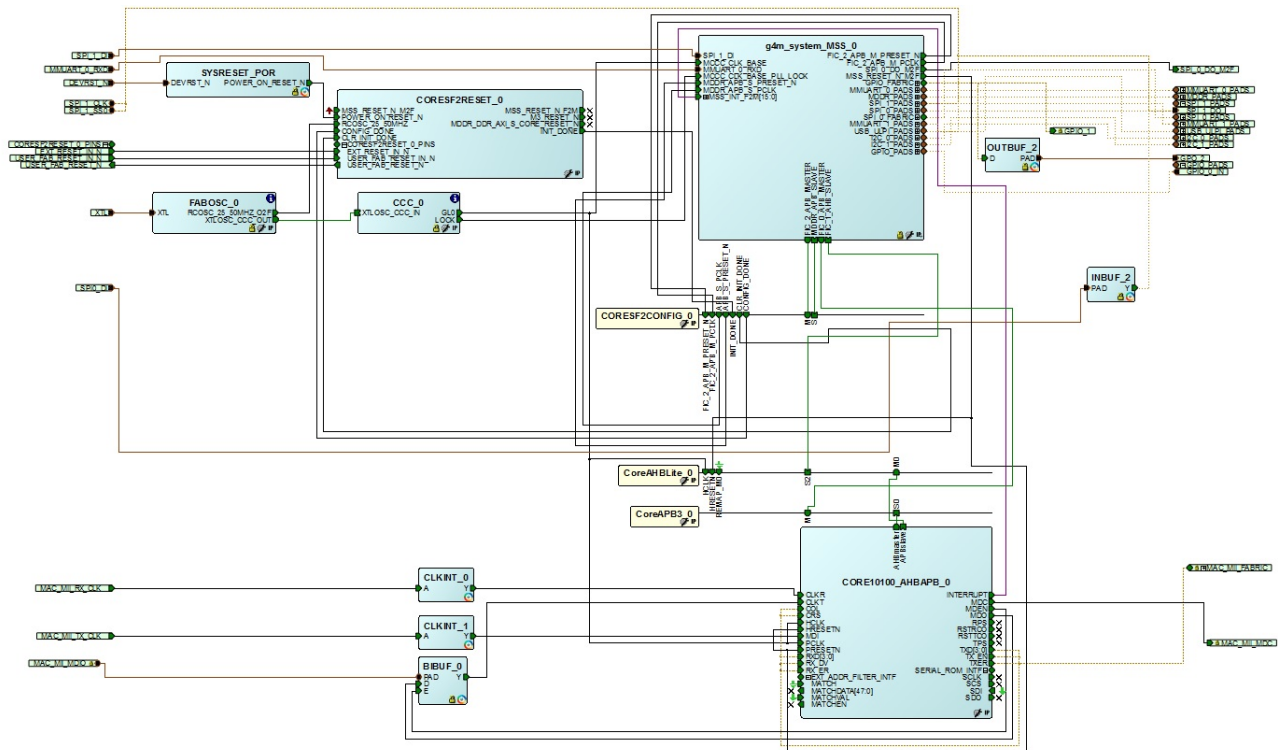


Figure 25 Example MSS Based system with Core10100_AHBAPB MII interface

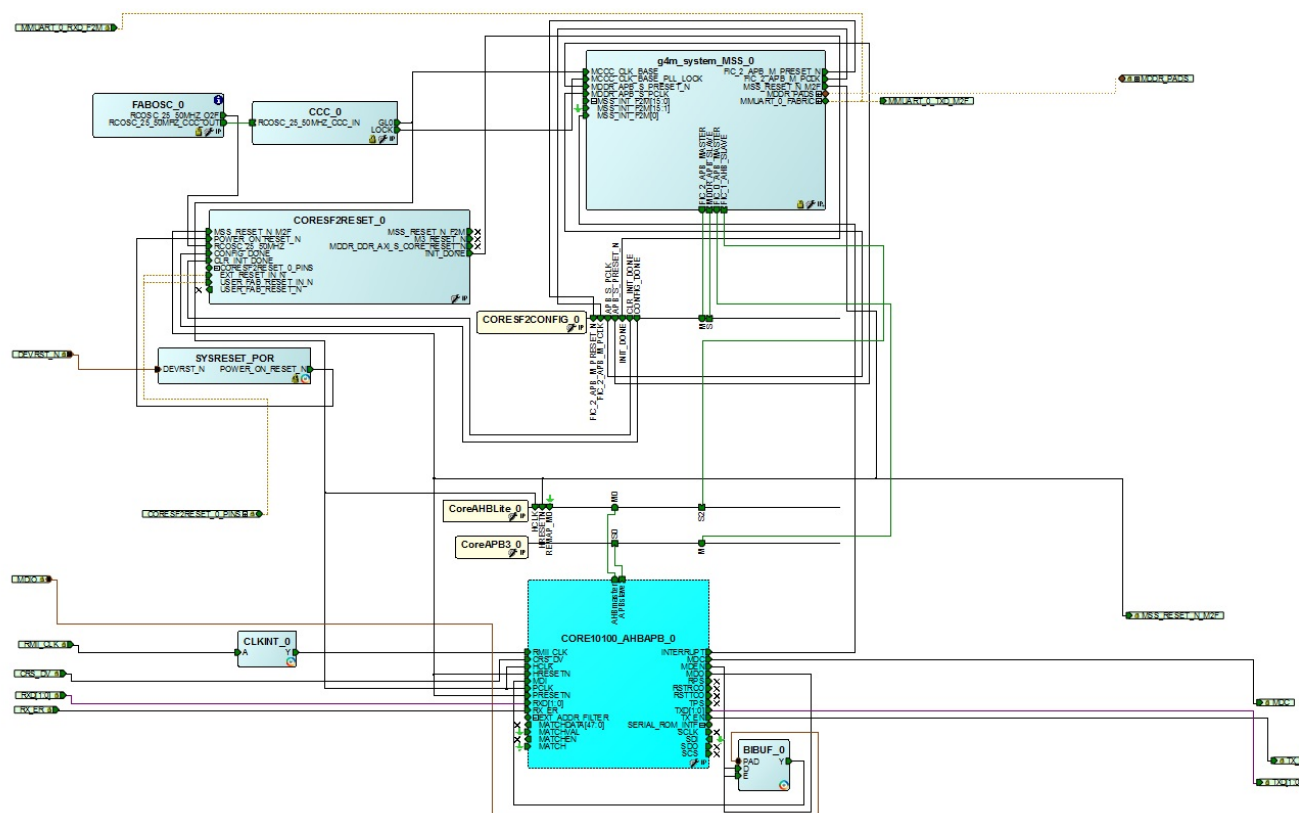


Figure 26 Example MSS Based system with Core10100_AHBAPB RMI interface

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