

# **Core10/100 v3.2**

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# Introduction

Core10/100 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 MAC over an Ethernet connection. Communication with an external host is implemented via a set of Control and Status registers and the DMA controller for external shared RAM. For data transfers, Core10/100 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-, 16-, or 32-bit data bus widths with big- or little-endian byte ordering.

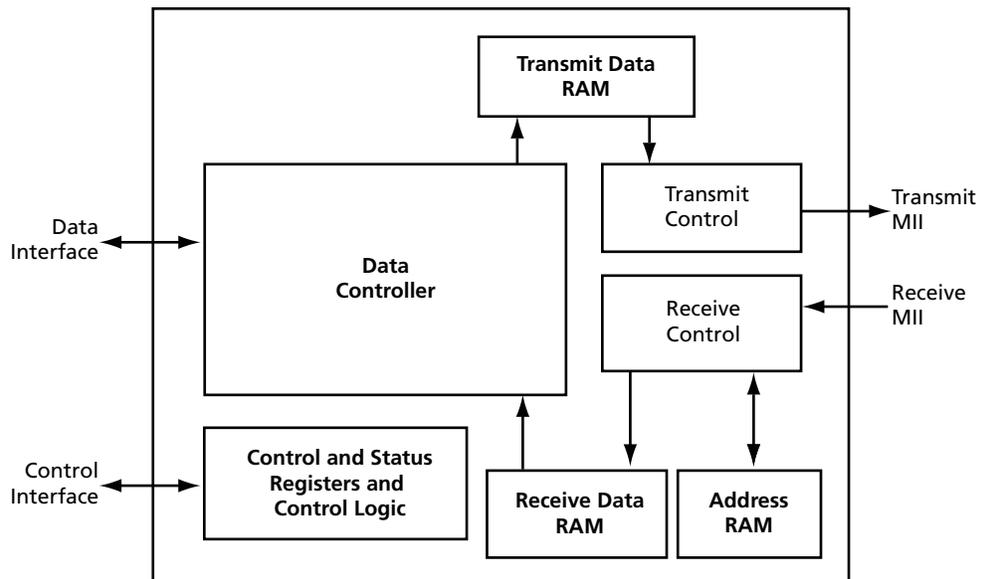


Figure 1 · Core10/100 Block Diagram

Figure 2 shows a typical application using Core10/100. Typical applications include LAN controllers, AFDX controllers, and embedded systems. Figure 1-1 on page 11 shows the primary blocks of Core10/100.

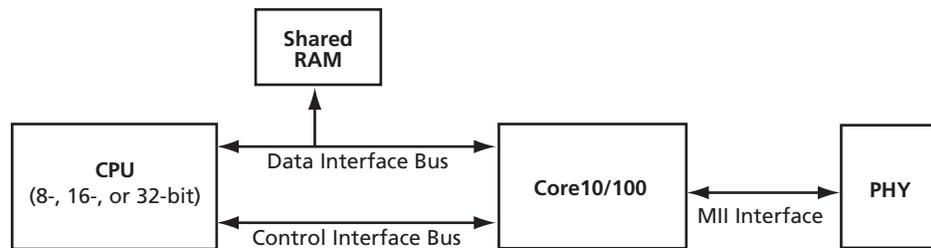


Figure 2 · Typical Core10/100 Application

Figure 3 shows an ARM®-based system using Core10/100\_AHBAPB. This system can be automatically created in CoreConsole.

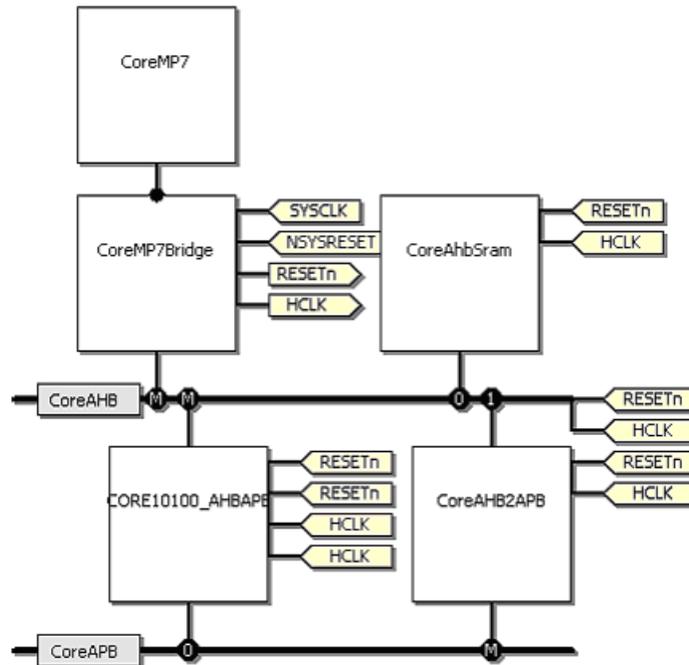


Figure 3 · ARM-Based System Using Core10/100\_AHBAPB

## Core Versions

This handbook applies to Core10/100 and Core10/100-AHB v3.2. The release notes provided with the core list known discrepancies between this handbook and the core release associated with the release notes.

## Supported Interfaces

Core10/100 is available with the following interfaces:

- Core10/100—synchronous CPU and memory interfaces (legacy interface)
- Core10/100\_AHBAPB—APB slave CPU interface and AHB master memory interface

Actel recommends that new designs using the CoreConsole environment use the Core10/100\_AHBAPB version of the core. Core10/100 is provided for backwards compliance to previous versions of Core10/100.

The above interfaces are described in “[Interface Descriptions](#)” on page 19.

## Device Utilization and Performance

Core10/100 can be implemented in the following Actel FPGA devices. Table 1 through Table 6 on page 8 provide the typical utilization and performance data for the core implemented in these devices.

Table 1 · Core10/100 Device Utilization and Performance for an 8-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	3,623	1,734	5,357	6	AFS600	39%	41
IGLOO™/e	3,644	1,734	5,378	6	AGLE600	39%	30
ProASIC®3/E	3,644	1,734	5,378	6	A3PE600	39%	41
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup> ®	4,662	1,672	6,334	13	APA450	52%	23
Axcelerator®	2,809	1,738	4,547	5	AX1000	25%	53
RTAX-S	2,802	1,738	4,547	5	RTAX1000S	25%	52

Table 2 · Core10/100 Device Utilization and Performance for a 16-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	3,937	1,835	5,772	6	AFS600	42%	34
IGLOO/e	3,921	1,835	5,756	6	AGLE600	23%	30
ProASIC3/E	3,921	1,835	5,756	6	A3P1000	23%	34
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup>	5,204	1,792	6,996	13	APA450	57%	24
Axcelerator	3,002	1,833	4,835	5	AX1000	27%	53
RTAX-S	3,002	1,833	4,835	5	RTAX1000S	27%	53

Table 3 · Core10/100 Device Utilization and Performance for a 32-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	4,336	1,982	6,318	10	AFS600	46%	36
IGLOO/e	4,319	1,982	6,301	10	AGLE600	26%	30
ProASIC3/E	4,319	1,982	6,301	10	A3P1000	26%	36
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup>	5,599	1,915	7,514	13	APA450	61%	24
Axcelerator	3,280	1,982	5,262	5	AX1000	29%	55
RTAX-S	3,280	1,982	5,262	5	RTAX1000S	29%	51

Table 4 · Core10/100 AHB/APB Device Utilization and Performance for an 8-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	3,692	1,723	5,415	4	AFS600	39%	32
IGLOO/e	3,688	1,717	5,405	4	AGLE600	39%	30
ProASIC3/E	3,688	1,717	5,405	4	A3P600	39%	32
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup>	4,697	1,659	6,356	9	APA450	51%	23
Axcelerator	2,790	1,724	4,514	3	AX1000	24%	54
RTAX-S	2,790	1,724	4,514	3	RTAX1000S	24%	50

Table 5 · Core10/100 AHB/APB Device Utilization and Performance for a 16-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	3,866	1,851	5,717	6	AFS600	41%	33
IGLOO/e	3,856	1,851	5,707	6	AGLE600	23%	30
ProASIC3/E	3,856	1,851	5,707	6	A3P1000	23%	33
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup>	5,161	1,808	6,969	13	APA450	56%	22
Axcelerator	3,202	2,028	5,230	9	AX1000	28%	50
RTAX-S	2,954	1,849	4,803	5	RTAX1000S	26%	54

Table 6 · Core10/100 AHB/APB Device Utilization and Performance for a 32-Bit Datapath

Family	Cells or Tiles			RAM	Utilization		Performance (MHz)
	Combinatorial	Sequential	Total		Device	Total	
Fusion	4,339	2,025	6,364	10	AFS600	45%	35
IGLOO/e	4,330	2,025	6,355	10	AGLE600	25%	30
ProASIC3/E	4,330	2,025	6,355	10	A3P1000	25%	35
ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup>	5,656	1,960	7,616	21	APA450	62%	22
Axcelerator	3,202	2,028	5,230	9	AX1000	28%	50
RTAX-S	3,202	2,028	5,230	9	RTAX1000S	28%	47

**Note:** Data in the above tables was achieved using Actel Libero® Integrated Design Environment (IDE) with Palace, using the parameter settings given in Table 7 on page 9. Performance is for Std. speed grade parts, was achieved using the Core10/100 macro alone, and represents the system clock (clkdma/hclk) frequency. The clkr and clkt clock domains are capable of operating at 25 MHz or 2.5 MHz, depending on the link speed. The clkcsr/pclk clock domain is capable of operating in excess of clkdma/hclk.

Table 7 · Parameter Settings

Parameter	Core10/100			Core10/100 AHB/APB		
	8-Bit	16-Bit	32-Bit	8-Bit	16-Bit	32-Bit
ENDIANESS	0	0	0	1	1	1
ADDRFILTER	1	1	1	0	0	0
FULLDUPLEX	0	0	0	0	0	0
CSRWIDTH APB_DWIDTH	8	16	32	8	16	32
DATAWIDTH AHB_DWIDTH	8	16	32	8	16	32
DATADEPTH AHB_AWIDTH	16	24	32	16	24	32
TFIFODEPTH	10	9	8	9	9	9
RFIFODEPTH	10	9	8	9	9	9
TCDEPTH	1	1	1	1	1	1
RCDEPTH	2	2	2	2	2	2

## Memory Requirements

Core10/100 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](#) and [EQ 2](#).

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

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

EQ 1

where DW is DATAWIDTH or AHB\_DWIDTH.

### APA

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

EQ 2

where DW is DATAWIDTH or AHB\_DWIDTH.

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

Core10/100 architecture, shown in [Figure 1-1](#), consists of the functional blocks described in this section.

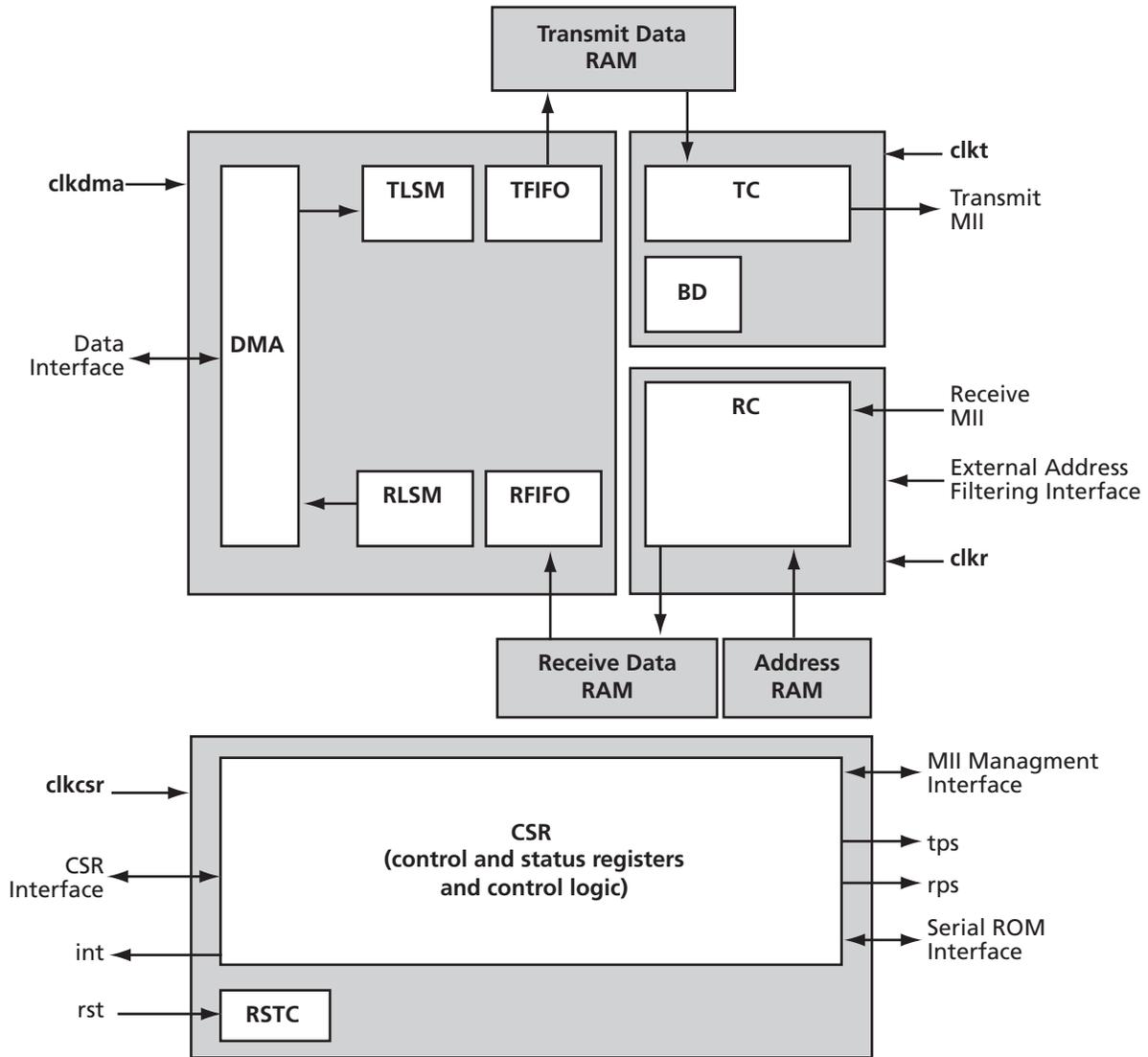


Figure 1-1 · Core 10/100 Architecture

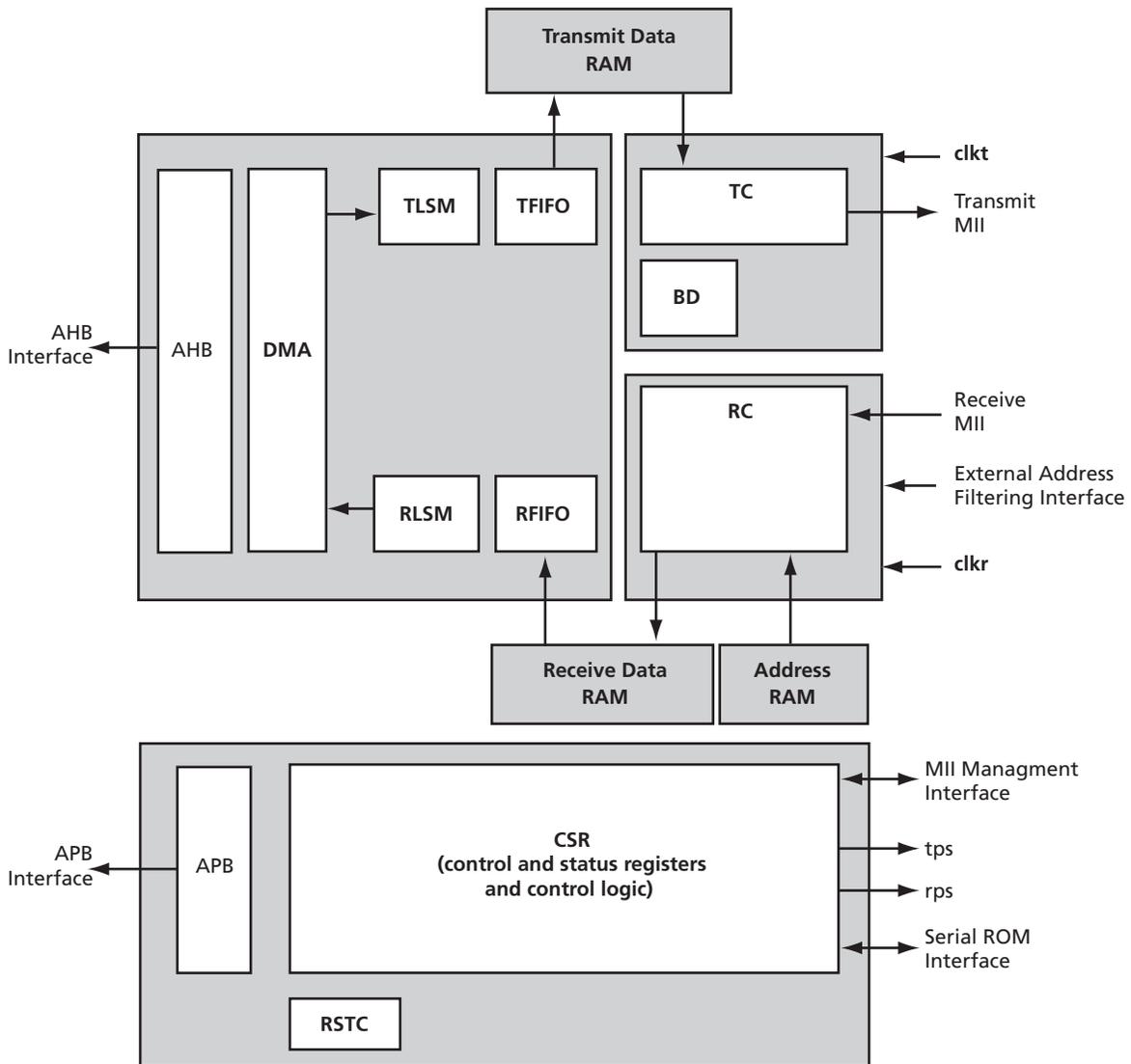


Figure 1-2 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB Architecture

### 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 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 Core10/100 operation by the host. It implements the CSR register set, the interrupt controller, and the power management functionality of Core10/100. It also provides a generic host interface supporting 8-, 16-, and 32-bit transfer. The CSR component operates synchronously with the clkcsr clock from the host CSR interface. The CSR also provides a Serial ROM interface and MII Management interface. The host can access these two interfaces via 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 clkdma clock from the host data interface.

## TLSM – Transmit Linked List State Machine

The transmit linked list state machine implements the descriptor/buffer architecture of Core10/100. 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 clkdma clock from the host data interface.

## TFIFO – Transmit FIFO

The transmit FIFO is used for buffering data prepared for transmission by Core10/100. It provides an interface for the external transmit data RAM working as FIFO memory. It fetches the transmit data from the host via the DMA interface. The FIFO size can be configured via the core parameters. The transmit FIFO controller operates synchronously with the clkdma 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 via the MII. The transmit controller operates synchronously with the clk 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 via the MII. It operates synchronously with the clk clock from the MII interface.

## RLSM – Receive Linked List State Machine

The receive linked list state machine implements the descriptor/buffer architecture of Core10/100. 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 clkdma clock from the host data interface.

## RFIFO – Receive FIFO

The receive FIFO is used for buffering data received by Core10/100. 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 clkdma 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 Core10/100. 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 Core10/100:

- 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

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## Tool Flows

### Licensing

Core10/100 is licensed in three ways: Evaluation, Obfuscated, and RTL. Depending on your license, tool flow functionality may be limited.

#### Evaluation

Precompiled simulation libraries are provided, allowing the core to be instantiated in CoreConsole and simulated within Actel Libero IDE, as described in the “[CoreConsole](#)” section. The design may not be synthesized, as source code is not provided.

#### Obfuscated

Complete RTL code is provided for the core, enabling the core to be instantiated with CoreConsole. Simulation, Synthesis, and Layout can be performed with Libero IDE. The RTL code for the core is obfuscated,<sup>1</sup> 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.

### CoreConsole

Core10/100 is preinstalled in the CoreConsole Intellectual Property Deployment Platform (IDP). To use the core, click and drag it from the IP core list into the main window. The CoreConsole project may be exported to Libero IDE at this point, providing access just to the core, or other IP blocks can be interconnected, allowing the complete system to be exported from CoreConsole to Libero IDE.

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*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.*

The core can be configured using the configuration GUI within CoreConsole, as shown in [Figure 2-1](#) and [Figure 2-2](#) on page 17.

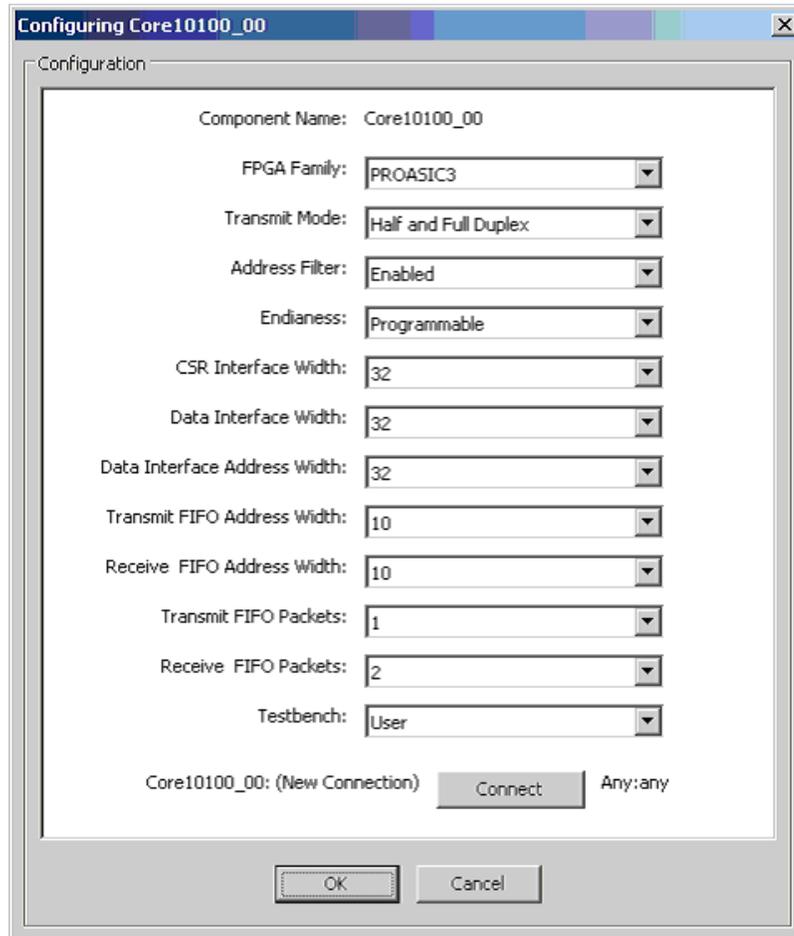


Figure 2-1 · Core10/100 Configuration within CoreConsole

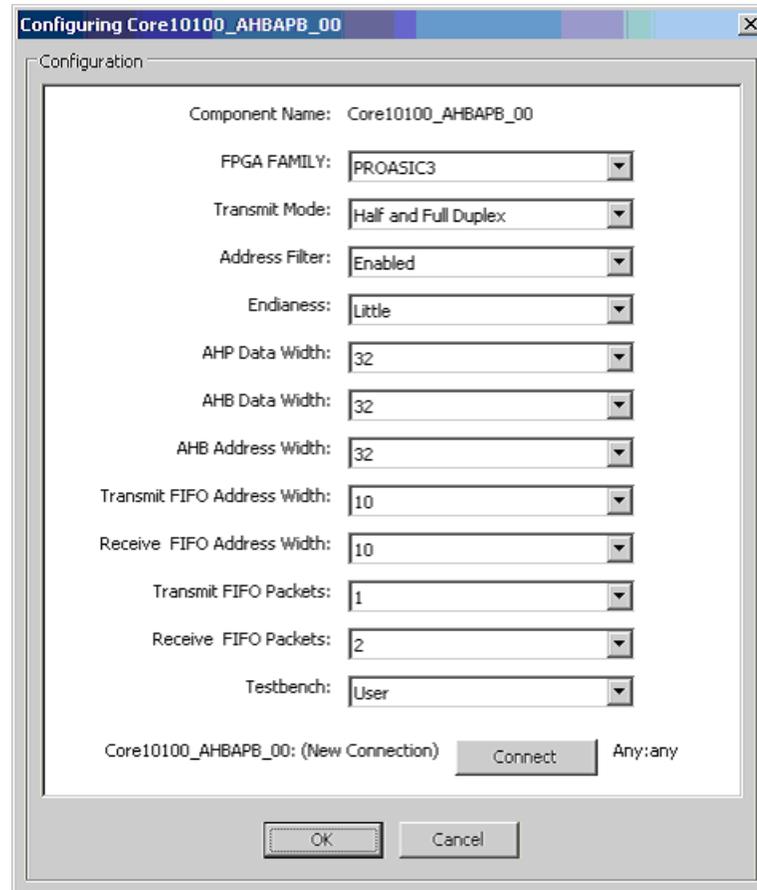


Figure 2-2 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB Configuration within CoreConsole

After configuring the core, Actel recommends you use the top-level Auto Stitch function to connect all the core interface signals to the top level of the CoreConsole project.

Once the core is configured, invoke the **Generate** function in CoreConsole. This will export all the required files to the project directory in the *LiberoExport* directory. This is in the CoreConsole installation directory by default.

## Importing into Libero IDE

After generating and exporting the core from CoreConsole, the core can be imported into Libero IDE. Create a new project in Libero IDE and import the CoreConsole project from the *LiberoExport* directory. Libero IDE will then install the core and the selected testbenches, along with constraints and documentation, into its project.

**Note:** If two or more DirectCores are required, they can both be included in the same CoreConsole project and imported into Libero IDE at the same time.

## Simulation Flows

To run simulations, the required testbench flow must be selected within CoreConsole and **Save & Generate** must be run from the Generate pane. The required testbench is selected through the core configuration GUI in CoreConsole. The following simulation environments are supported:

## Core10/100

- Full 10/100 verification environment (VHDL only)
- Simple testbench (VHDL and Verilog)

## Core10/100\_AHBAPB

- AHB/APB Interface tests (VHDL and Verilog)

When CoreConsole generates the Libero IDE project, it will install the appropriate testbench files. To run the testbenches, simply **set the design root to the Core10/100 instantiation in the Libero IDE file manager** and click the **Simulation** icon in Libero IDE. This will invoke ModelSim® and automatically run the simulation.

### 1. Synthesis in Libero IDE

To run Synthesis on the core with parameters set in CoreConsole, **set the design root to the top of the project imported from CoreConsole**. This is a wrapper around the core that sets all the generics appropriately. Click the **Synthesis** icon in Libero IDE. The synthesis window appears, displaying the Synplicity® project. To run Synthesis, click the **Run** icon.

“[Timing Constraints](#)” on page 68 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. Core10/100 requires no special place-and-route settings.

“[Timing Constraints](#)” on page 68 details the recommended timing constraints that should be used during Layout.

## Interface Descriptions

Core10/100 is available with the following interfaces:

- Legacy
- AHB and APB

Both Core10/100 and Core10/100\_AHBAPB share a common set of set signals to the backend physical layer (PHY) and address filtering interface.

## Parameters on Core10/100

Table 3-1 details the parameters on Core10/100.

Table 3-1 · Core 10/100 Parameters

Parameter	Values	Description
FAMILY	0 to 99	Must be set to match the supported FPGA family: 11 – Axcelerator 12 – RTAX-S 14 – ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup> 15 – ProASIC3 16 – ProASIC3E 17 – Fusion 20 – IGLOO 21 – IGLOOe
FULLDUPLEX	0 to 1	This controls the core's support of half-duplex operation. 0 – Half- 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 the core.
ENDIANESS	0 to 2	Sets the endianness of the core: 0 – Programmable by software 1 – Little 2 – Big When set to a nonzero value, the size of the core is reduced.
ADDRFILTER	0 to 1	Enables the internal address filter RAM. 0 – Internal address filter RAM disabled 1 – Internal address filter RAM enabled
DATADEPTH	8 to 32	Sets the width of the address bus used to interface to the system memory.
DATAWIDTH	8, 16, 32	Sets the width of the data bus used to interface to the system memory.
CSRWIDTH	8, 16, 32	Sets the width of the data bus used to access the registers within the core.
TCDEPTH	1 to 8	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the transmit FIFO at one time.
RCDEPTH	1 to 8	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the receive FIFO at one time.

Table 3-1 · Core 10/100 Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Values	Description
TFIFODEPTH	6 to 16	Sets the size of the internal FIFO used to buffer transmit data. The size is $2^{\text{TFIFODEPTH}} \times \text{AHB\_DWIDTH} / 8$ bytes. The transmit FIFO size should be greater than TCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.
RFIFODEPTH	6 to 16	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 should be greater than RCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.

## Parameters on Core10/100\_AHBAPB

Table 3-2 details the parameters on Core10/100\_AHBAPB.

Table 3-2 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB Parameters

Parameter	Values	Description
FAMILY	0 to 99	Must be set to match the supported FPGA family. 11 – Axcelerator 12 – RTAX-S 14 – ProASIC <sup>PLUS</sup> 15 – ProASIC3 16 – ProASIC3E 17 – Fusion 20 – IGLOO 21 – IGLOOe
FULLDUPLEX	0 to 1	This controls the core's support of half-duplex operation. 0 – Half- 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 the core.
ENDIANESS	0 to 2	Sets the endianness of the core. 0 – Programmable by software 1 – Little 2 – Big When set to nonzero, the size of the core is reduced.
ADDRFILTER	0 to 1	Enables the internal address filter RAM. 0 – Internal address filter RAM disabled 1 – Internal address filter RAM enabled
AHB_AWIDTH	8 to 32	Sets the width of the AHB address bus used to interface to the system memory.
AHB_DWIDTH	8, 16, 32	Sets the width of the AHB data bus used to interface to the system memory.

Table 3-2 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Values	Description
APB_DWIDTH	8, 16, 32	Sets the width of the APB data bus used to access the registers within the core.
TCDEPTH	1 to 8	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the transmit FIFO at one time.
RCDEPTH	1 to 8	Defines the maximum number of frames that can reside in the receive FIFO at one time.
TFIFODEPTH	6 to 16	Sets the size of the internal FIFO used to buffer transmit data. The size is $2^{\text{TFIFODEPTH}} \times \text{AHB\_DWIDTH} / 8$ bytes. The transmit FIFO size should be greater than TCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.
RFIFODEPTH	6 to 16	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 should be greater than RCDEPTH times the maximum permitted frame size.

## AHB/APB Interface Signals

Table 3-3 lists the signals included in the Core10/100\_AHBAPB core.

Table 3-3 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB Signals

Name	Type	Description
<b>APB Interface (CPU register access)</b>		
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
<b>AHB Interface (memory access)</b>		
HCLK	In	AHB clock
HRESETN	In	AHB reset (active low and asynchronous)
HBUSREQ	Out	AHB bus request
HGRANT	In	AHB bus grant
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'
HRESP	In [1:0]	AHB response
HWDATA	Out [AHB_DWIDTH-1:0]	AHB data out
HRDATA	In [AHB_DWIDTH-1:0]	AHB data in

All signals listed in Table 3-3 conform to the AMBA specification rev. 2.0.

## Legacy Interface Signals

Table 3-4 lists the signals included on the Core10/100 core.

Table 3-4 · Core10/100 Signals

Name	Type	Polarity	Description
<b>Control and Status Register Interface</b>			
clkcsr	In	Rise	CSR clock
csrreq	In	HIGH	This signal is set by a host to request a data transfer on the CSR interface. It can be a read or a write request, depending on the value of the csrsw signal.
csrsw	In	HIGH	This signal indicates the type of request on the CSR interface. Setting csrsw indicates a read operation, and clearing it indicates a write operation.
csrbe	In	CSRWIDTH/8	This signal is the data byte enable to indicate which byte lanes of csrdai or csrdao are the valid data bytes. Each bit of the csrbe controls a single byte lane. All csrbe signal combinations are allowed.
csrdai	In	CSRWIDTH	The write data is provided by the system on the csrdai inputs during the write request.
csraddr	In	8	The csraddr receives the address of an individual CSR data transaction. The meaning of csraddr depends on the CSRWIDTH parameter. For CSRWIDTH = 32 (32-bit interface), only the csraddr bits from 6 down to 2 are significant. The addresses are longword-aligned (32-bit) in this mode. For CSRWIDTH = 16 (16-bit interface), the csraddr bits from 6 down to 1 are significant. The addresses are word-aligned (16-bit) in this mode. For CSRWIDTH = 8 (8-bit interface), all bits of csraddr are significant. The addresses are byte-aligned (8-bit) in this mode.
csrack	Out	HIGH	The csrack signal indicates either that valid data is present on the csrdao outputs during a read request or that the csrdai inputs have been sampled during a write request. The current version of Core10/100 has the csrack signal statically tied to logic 1—Core10/100 responds to reads and writes immediately.
csrdao	Out	CSRWIDTH	The csrdao signal provides the read data in response to a read request.
<b>Data Interface</b>			
clkdma	In	Rise	Data clock
dataack	In	HIGH	The dataack input is an acknowledge signal supplied by the host in response to the MAC's request. In the case of a read operation, dataack indicates valid data is on the dai input. The dai input should be stable while dataack is set. In the case of a write operation, setting dataack indicates that the host is ready to fetch the data supplied by Core10/100 on the dao output. Regardless of the current transaction type (write or read), a data transfer occurs on every rising edge of clkdma on which both datareq and dataack are set. The dataack signal can be asserted or deasserted at any clock cycle, even in the middle of a burst transfer.

Table 3-4 · Core10/100 Signals (continued)

Name	Type	Polarity	Description
datai	In	DATAWIDTH	The read data should be provided on the datai input by the system in response to a read request.
datareq	Out	HIGH	This signal is set by Core10/100 to put a request for the data transfer on the interface. While datareq remains active, the datarw signal is stable—there is no transition on datarw.
datarw	Out	HIGH	The datarw output indicates the type of request on the data interface. When set, it indicates a read operation; when cleared, it indicates a write operation.
dataeob	Out	HIGH	The dataeob output is an “end-of-burst” signal used for burst transactions. When set, it indicates the last data transfer for a current burst; when cleared, it indicates that there will be more data transfers.
datao	Out	DATAWIDTH	Data to be written is provided by Core10/100 on datao during a write request.
dataaddr	Out	DATADEPTH	This signal addresses the external memory space for a data transaction. The meaning of the dataaddr bits depends on the DATAWIDTH parameter. For DATAWIDTH = 32 (32-bit interface), only dataaddr bits DATADEPTH–1 down to 2 are significant. The addresses are longword-aligned (32-bit) in this mode. For DATAWIDTH = 16 (16-bit interface), the dataaddr bits from DATADEPTH–1 down to 1 are significant. The addresses are word-aligned (16-bit) in this mode. For DATAWIDTH = 8 (8-bit interface), all bits of dataaddr are significant. The addresses are byte-aligned (8-bit) in this mode.

## Common Interface Signals

The following signals are included on both the Core10/100 and Core10/100\_AHBAPB cores.

Table 3-5 · Signals Included in Core10/100 and Core10/100\_AHBAPB

Name	Type	Polarity / Bus Size	Description
<b>General Host Interface Signal</b>			
rstcsr	In	HIGH	Host-side reset
int	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

Table 3-5 · Signals Included in Core10/100 and Core10/100\_AHBAPB (continued)

Name	Type	Polarity / Bus Size	Description
<b>Serial ROM Interface</b>			
sdi	In	1	Serial data
scs	Out	1	Serial chip select
sclk	Out	1	Serial clock output
sdo	Out	1	Serial data output
<b>External Address Filtering Interface</b>			
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 should be received by Core10/100. 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.
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.
<b>MII PHY Interface</b>			
clkt	In	Rise	Clock for transmit operation This should be a 25 MHz clock for a 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for a 10 Mbps operation.
clkr	In	Rise	Clock for receive operation This should be a 25 MHz clock for a 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for a 10 Mbps operation.
rxer	In	HIGH	Receive error Core10/100 ends a reception when this bit is asserted during a receive operation. The rxer signal must be synchronous to the clkr receive clock.

Table 3-5 · Signals Included in Core10/100 and Core10/100\_AHBAPB (continued)

Name	Type	Polarity / Bus Size	Description
rxdv	In	HIGH	Receive data valid signal The PHY device should assert rxdv when a valid data nibble is provided on the rxd signal. The rxdv signal must be synchronous to the clkr receive clock.
col	In	HIGH	Collision detected This signal should 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 Core10/100. The col signal is not required to be synchronous to either clkr or clkt. The col signal is sampled internally by the clkt clock.
crs	In	HIGH	Carrier sense This signal should be asserted by the PHY when either a receive or transmit medium is non-idle. The crs signal is not required to be synchronous with either clkr or clkt.
mdi	In	1	MII management data input The state of this signal can be checked by reading the CSR9.19 bit.
rxd	In	4	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.
txen	Out	HIGH	Transmit enable When asserted, indicates valid data for the PHY on the txd port. The txen signal is synchronous to the clkt transmit clock.
txer	Out	HIGH	Transmit error The current version of Core10/100 has the txer signal statically tied to logic 0 (no transmit errors).
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. The txd bus is synchronous to the clkt transmit clock.

## Software Interface

### Register Maps

#### Control and Status Register Addressing

The Control and Status registers are located physically inside Core10/100 and can be accessed directly by a host via an 8-, 16- 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 shown in [Table 4-1](#) are used to decode the CSR register address.

Table 4-1 · 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	FFF483FBH	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 4-2 · 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 4-3 · 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, Core10/100 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 <a href="#">Table 4-4 on page 29</a> .
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	Software 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 4-4 · Transmit Automatic Polling Intervals

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

Table 4-5 · 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 4-6 · Transmit Poll Demand Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR1.(31..0)	TPD	<p>Writing this field with any value instructs Core10/100 to check for frames to be transmitted. This operation is valid only when the transmit process is suspended.</p> <p>If no descriptor is available, the transmit process remains suspended.</p> <p>When the descriptor is available, the transmit process goes into the running state.</p>

Table 4-7 · 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 4-8 · Receive Poll Demand Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR2.(31..0)	RPD	<p>Writing this field with any value instructs Core10/100 to check for receive descriptors to be acquired. This operation is valid only when the receive process is suspended.</p> <p>If no descriptor is available, the receive process remains suspended.</p> <p>When the descriptor is available, the receive process goes into the running state.</p>

Table 4-9 · 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 4-10 · 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 should be longword-aligned (RLA(1..0) = 00).

Table 4-11 · 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 4-12 · 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 should be longword-aligned (TLA(1..0) = 00).

Table 4-13 · 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 4-14 · Status Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR5.(22..20)	TS	Transmit process state (read-only) Indicates the current state of a transmit process: 000 – Stopped; RESET or STOP TRANSMIT command issued 001 – Running, fetching the transmit descriptor 010 – Running, waiting for end of transmission 011 – Running, transferring data buffer from host memory to FIFO 100 – Reserved 101 – Running, setup packet 110 – Suspended; FIFO underflow or unavailable descriptor 111 – Running, closing transmit descriptor
CSR5.(19..17)	RS	Receive process state (read-only) Indicates the current state of a receive process: 000 – Stopped; RESET or STOP RECEIVE command issued 001 – Running, fetching the receive descriptor 010 – Running, waiting for the end-of-receive packet before prefetch of the next descriptor 011 – Running, waiting for the receive packet 100 – Suspended, unavailable receive buffer 101 – Running, closing the receive descriptor 110 – Reserved 111 – Running, transferring data from FIFO to host memory
CSR5.16	NIS	Normal interrupt summary This bit is a logical OR of the following bits: CSR5.0 – Transmit interrupt CSR5.2 – Transmit buffer unavailable CSR5.6 – Receive interrupt CSR5.11 – General-purpose timer overflow CSR5.14 – Early receive interrupt 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.
CSR5.15	AIS	Abnormal interrupt summary This bit is a logical OR of the following bits: CSR5.1 – Transmit process stopped CSR5.5 – Transmit underflow CSR5.7 – Receive buffer unavailable CSR5.8 – Receive process stopped CSR5.10 – Early transmit interrupt 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.

Table 4-14 · Status Register Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR5.14	ERI	<p>Early receive interrupt</p> <p>Set when Core10/100 fills the data buffers of the first descriptor.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.11	GTE	<p>General-purpose timer expiration</p> <p>Gets set when the general-purpose timer reaches zero value.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.10	ETI	<p>Early transmit interrupt</p> <p>Indicates that the packet to be transmitted was fully transferred into the FIFO.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.8	RPS	<p>Receive process stopped</p> <p>RPS is set when a receive process enters a stopped state.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.7	RU	<p>Receive buffer unavailable</p> <p>When set, indicates that the next receive descriptor is owned by the host and is unavailable for Core10/100. When RU is set, Core10/100 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 Core10/100.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.6	RI	<p>Receive interrupt</p> <p>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).</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.5	UNF	<p>Transmit underflow</p> <p>Indicates that the transmit FIFO was empty during a transmission. The transmit process goes into a suspended state.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>
CSR5.2	TU	<p>Transmit buffer unavailable</p> <p>When set, TU indicates that the host owns the next descriptor on the transmit descriptor list; therefore, it cannot be used by Core10/100. 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.</p> <p>The user can clear this bit by writing a 1. Writing a 0 has no effect.</p>

Table 4-14 · Status Register Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
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 4-15 · 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 4-16 · 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 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.

Table 4-16 · Operation Mode Register Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR6.13	ST	<p>Start/stop transmit command</p> <p>Setting this bit when the transmit process is in a stopped state causes a transition into a running state. In the running state, Core10/100 checks the transmit descriptor at a current descriptor list position. If Core10/100 owns the descriptor, then the data starts to transfer from memory into the internal transmit FIFO. If the host owns the descriptor, Core10/100 enters a suspended state.</p> <p>Clearing this bit when the transmit process is in a running or suspended state instructs Core10/100 to enter the stopped state.</p> <p>Core10/100 does not go into the stopped state immediately after clearing the ST bit; it will finish all pending transmit operations before going into the stopped state. The status bits of the CSR5 register should be read to check the actual transmit operation state.</p>
CSR6.9	FD	<p>Full-duplex mode:</p> <p>0 – Half-duplex mode</p> <p>1 – Forcing full-duplex mode</p> <p>Changing of this bit is allowed only when both the transmitter and receiver processes are in the stopped state.</p>
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, Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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>

Table 4-16 · Operation Mode Register Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR6.1	SR	<p>Start/stop receive command</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, Core10/100 checks the receive descriptor at the current descriptor list position. If Core10/100 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 Core10/100 to enter a stopped state after receiving the current frame.</p> <p>Core10/100 does not go into the stopped state immediately after clearing the SR bit. Core10/100 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 4-17 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 shown in Table 4-37 on page 49. The IF, HO, and HP bits are read-only.

Table 4-17 · 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 4-18 lists the transmit FIFO threshold levels. These levels are specified in bytes.

Table 4-18 · 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 4-19 · 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 4-20 · 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.

Table 4-20 · Interrupt Enable Register Bit Function (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
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 4-21 · 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 4-22 · 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.

Table 4-22 · Missed Frames and Overflow Counter Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
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.

Table 4-23 · MII Management and Serial ROM Interface Register (CSR9)

Bits 31:24								
Bits 23:16					MDI	MII	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 4-24 · MII Management and Serial ROM Register Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
CSR9.19	MDI	MII management data in signal (read-only) This bit reflects the sample on the mdi port during the read operation on the MII management interface.
CSR9.18	MDEN	MII management operation mode 1 – Indicates that Core10/100 reads the MII PHY registers 0 – Indicates that Core10/100 writes to the MII PHY registers 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.
CSR9.17	MDO	MII management write data The value of this bit drives the mdo port when a write operation is performed.
CSR9.16	MDC	MII management clock The value of this bit drives the mdc port.
CSR9.3	SDO	Serial ROM data output The value of this bit drives the sdo port of Core10/100.
CSR9.2	SDI	Serial ROM data input This bit reflects the sdi port of Core10/100.
CSR9.1	SCLK	Serial ROM clock The value of this bit drives the sclk port of Core10/100.
CSR9.0	SCS	Serial ROM chip select The value of this bit drives the scs port of Core10/100.

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 via 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. Core10/100 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 4-1](#). The Serial ROM interface can be used to access an external Serial ROM device via CSR9. The user can supply an external Serial ROM device, as shown in [Figure 4-2 on page 39](#). 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.

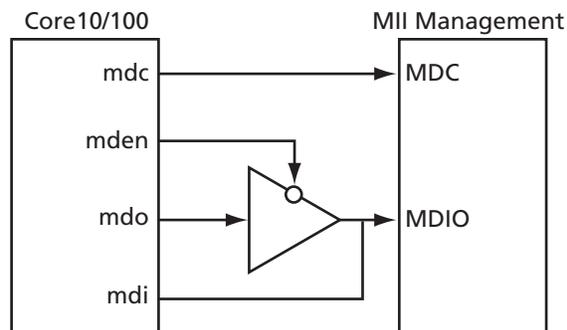


Figure 4-1 · External Tristate Buffer Connections

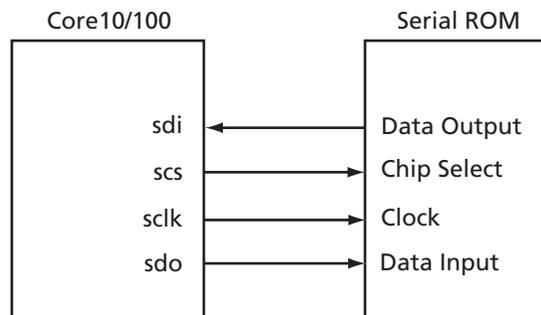


Figure 4-2 · External Serial ROM Connections

Table 4-25 · 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 4-26 · 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MII 100 Mbps mode – 5.12 <math>\mu</math>s</li> <li>MII 10 Mbps mode – 51.2 <math>\mu</math>s</li> </ul> <p>0 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MII 100 Mbps mode – 81.92 <math>\mu</math>s</li> <li>MII 10 Mbps mode – 819.2 <math>\mu</math>s</li> </ul>
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 <math>TT \times (16 \times CS)</math>.</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>
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 <math>RT \times CS</math>.</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>

Table 4-26 · General-Purpose Timer and Interrupt Mitigation Control Bit Functions (continued)

Bit	Symbol	Function
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. 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>
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 <math>\mu</math>s</p> <p>MII 10 Mbps mode – 819.2 <math>\mu</math>s</p>

## Frame Data and Descriptors

### Descriptor / Data Buffer Architecture Overview

A data exchange between the host and Core10/100 is performed via 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 Core10/100. 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 should be set up by the host. In a transmit process, the host can give the ownership of the first descriptor to Core10/100 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 Core10/100 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, should be given to Core10/100.

Core10/100 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 via the MII interface from the Transmit Data FIFO.

Core10/100 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 via the MII interface into the Receive Data FIFO.

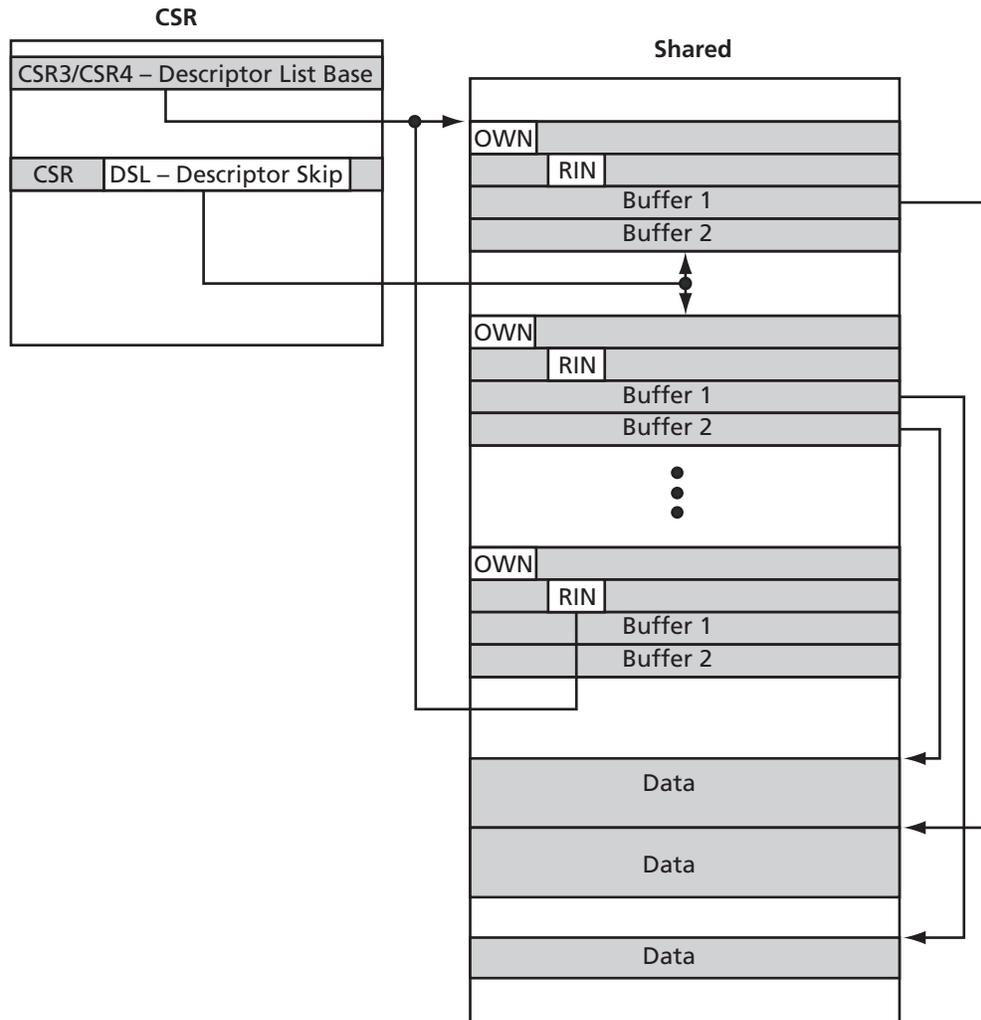


Figure 4-3 · Descriptors in Ring Structure

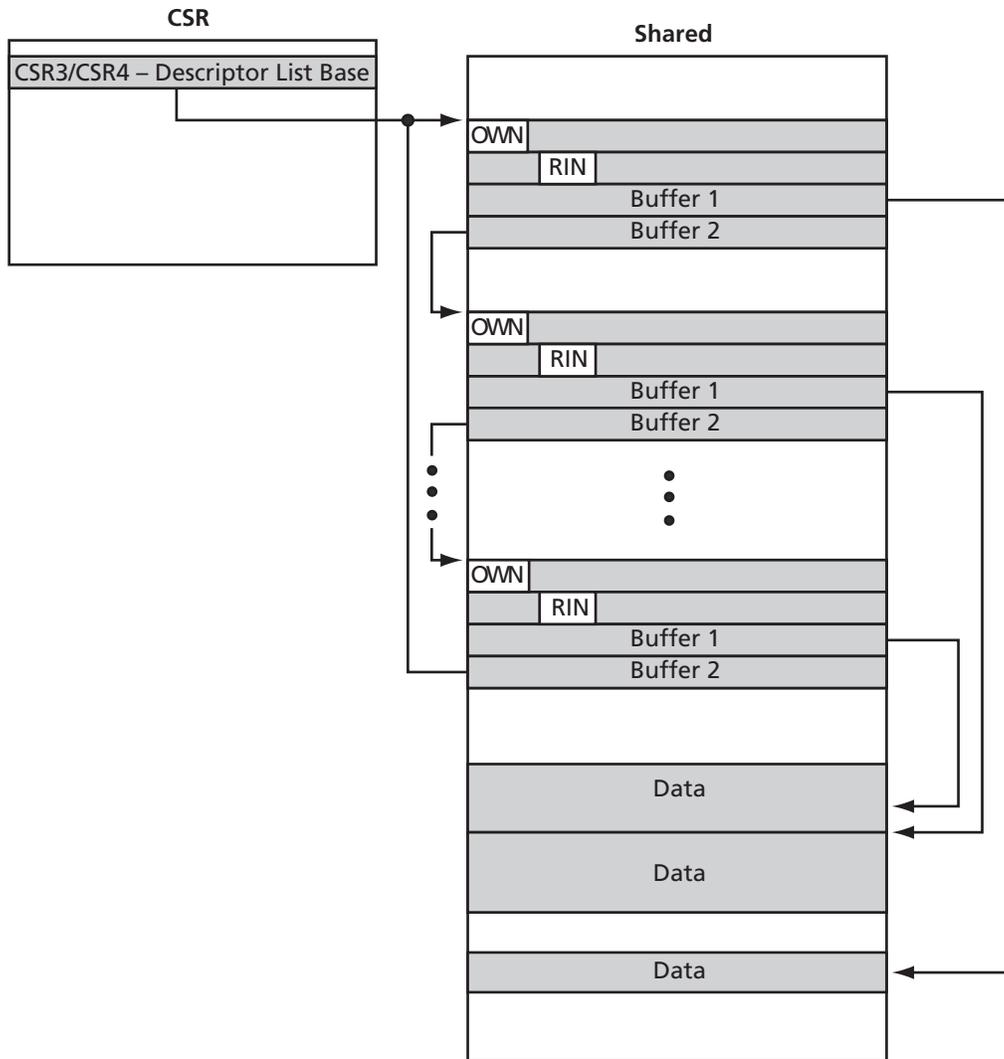


Figure 4-4 · Descriptors in Chained Structure

Table 4-27 · Receive Descriptors

RDES0	OWN	STATUS		
RDES1	CONTROL		RBS2	RBS1
RDES2	RBA1			
RDES3	RBA2			

Table 4-28 · STATUS (RDES0) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
RDES0.31	OWN	Ownership bit 1 – Core10/100 owns the descriptor. 0 – The host owns the descriptor. Core10/100 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 Core10/100 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.

Table 4-28 · STATUS (RDES0) Bit Functions (continued)

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. 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>This bit is valid only when RDES0.8 (last descriptor) is set. Additionally, CE is not valid when the received frame is a runt frame.</p>
RDES0.0	ZERO	This bit is reset for frames with a legal length.

Table 4-29 · 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. Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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, Core10/100 ignores the first data buffer and uses the second data buffer.

Table 4-30 · 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 4-31 · 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 4-32 · Transmit Descriptors

TDES0	OWN	STATUS	
TDES1	CONTROL	TBS2	TBS1
TDES2	TBA1		
TDES3	TBA2		

Table 4-33 · STATUS (TDES0) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES0.31	OWN	Ownership bit 1 – Core10/100 owns the descriptor. 0 – The host owns the descriptor. Core10/100 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 4-34 · CONTROL (TDES1) Bit Functions

Bit	Symbol	Function
TDES1.31	IC	Interrupt on completion Setting this flag instructs Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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. Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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, Core10/100 ignores the first data buffer and uses the second data buffer.

Table 4-35 · 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 4-36 · 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 4-37 lists all possible combinations. Table 4-38 on page 50 shows the setup frame buffer format for perfect filtering modes. Table 4-39 on page 50 shows the setup frame buffer for imperfect filtering modes. The setup should be sent to Core10/100 when Core 10/100 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.

Table 4-37 · 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 4-38 · Perfect Filtering Setup Frame Buffer

Byte Number	Data Bits 31:16	Data Bits 15:0
3:0	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 0 (15:00)
7:4	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 0 (31:16)
11:8	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 0 (47:32)
15:12	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (15:00)
19:16	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (31:16)
23:20	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address 1 (47:32)
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
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 4-39 · 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)
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
123:121	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (495:480)
127:124	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Hash filter (511:496)
131:128	xx	
135:132	xx	
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.
159:156	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (15:00)
163:160	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (31:16)
167:164	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	Physical Address (47:32)
171:168	xx	
175:172	xx	
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.	.	.
.	.	.
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 via the core parameters RFIFODEPTH and TFIFODEPTH (Table 3-1 on page 19). Those memory blocks should be at least as big as the longest frame used on a given network. Core10/100 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 Core10/100.

The DMA services the following types of requests from the Core10/100 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.

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Transfers between the host and Core10/100 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, i.e., 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.

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 Core10/100. When both the tps and receive process stopped (rps) outputs are HIGH, all clock signals except clkcsr can be disabled external to Core10/100.

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 4-6 on page 53](#). 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. Core10/100 starts to fetch the transmit descriptors.
5. Core10/100 transfers the transmit data to Transmit Data RAM from the shared RAM.
6. Core10/100 starts to transmit data on MII.

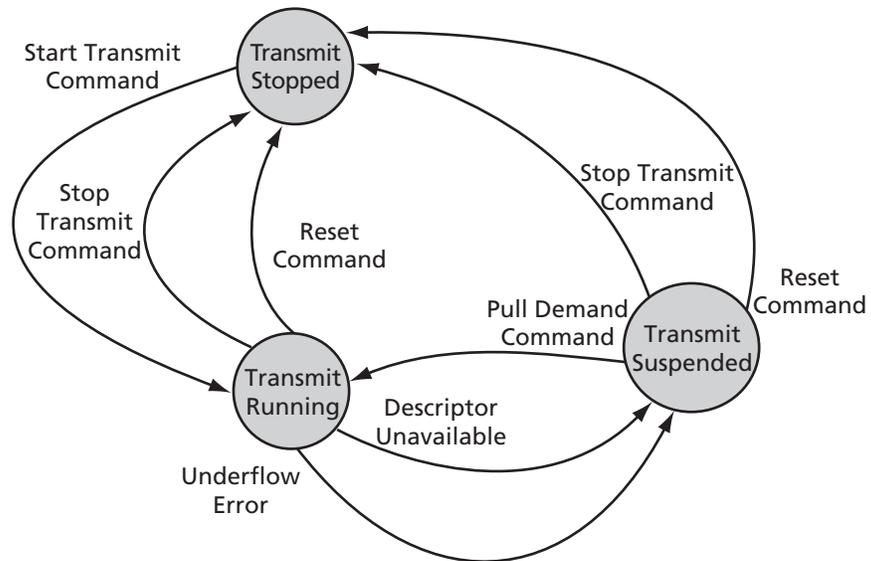


Figure 4-5 · Transmit Process Transitions

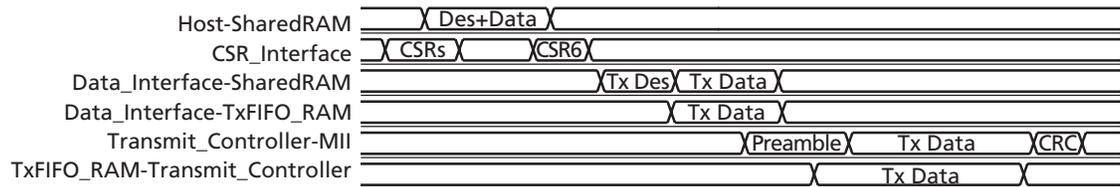


Figure 4-6 · Transmit Data Flow

**Note:** Refer to the *Core10/100 User's Guide* for an example of transmit data timing.

## 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.

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 clkcsr 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 Core10/100 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 Core10/100 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.

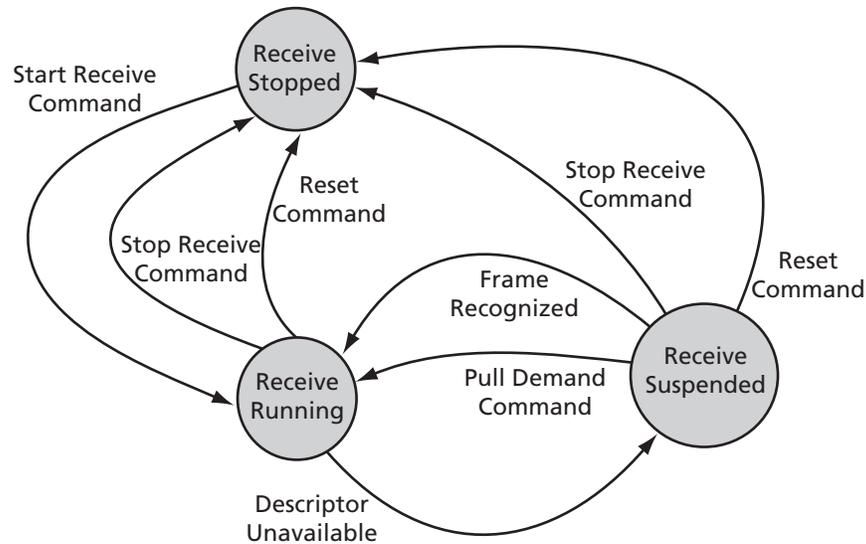


Figure 4-7 · Receive Process Transitions

**Note:** Refer to the *Core10/100 User's Guide* for an example of receive timing.

A typical data flow in a receive process is illustrated in [Figure 4-8 on page 55](#). 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. Core10/100 starts to fetch the transmit descriptors.
5. Core10/100 waits for receive data on MII.
6. Core10/100 transfers received data to the Receive Data RAM.
7. Core10/100 transfers received data to shared RAM from Receive Data RAM.

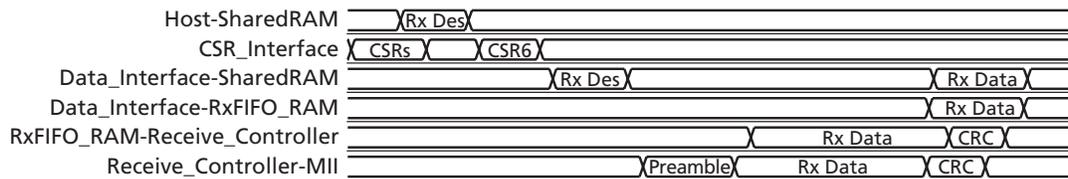


Figure 4-8 · Receive Data Flow

## Interrupt Controller

The interrupt controller uses three internal Control and Status registers: CSR5, CSR7, and CSR11. CSR5 contains the Core10/100 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 Core10/100. 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 via 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 Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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.

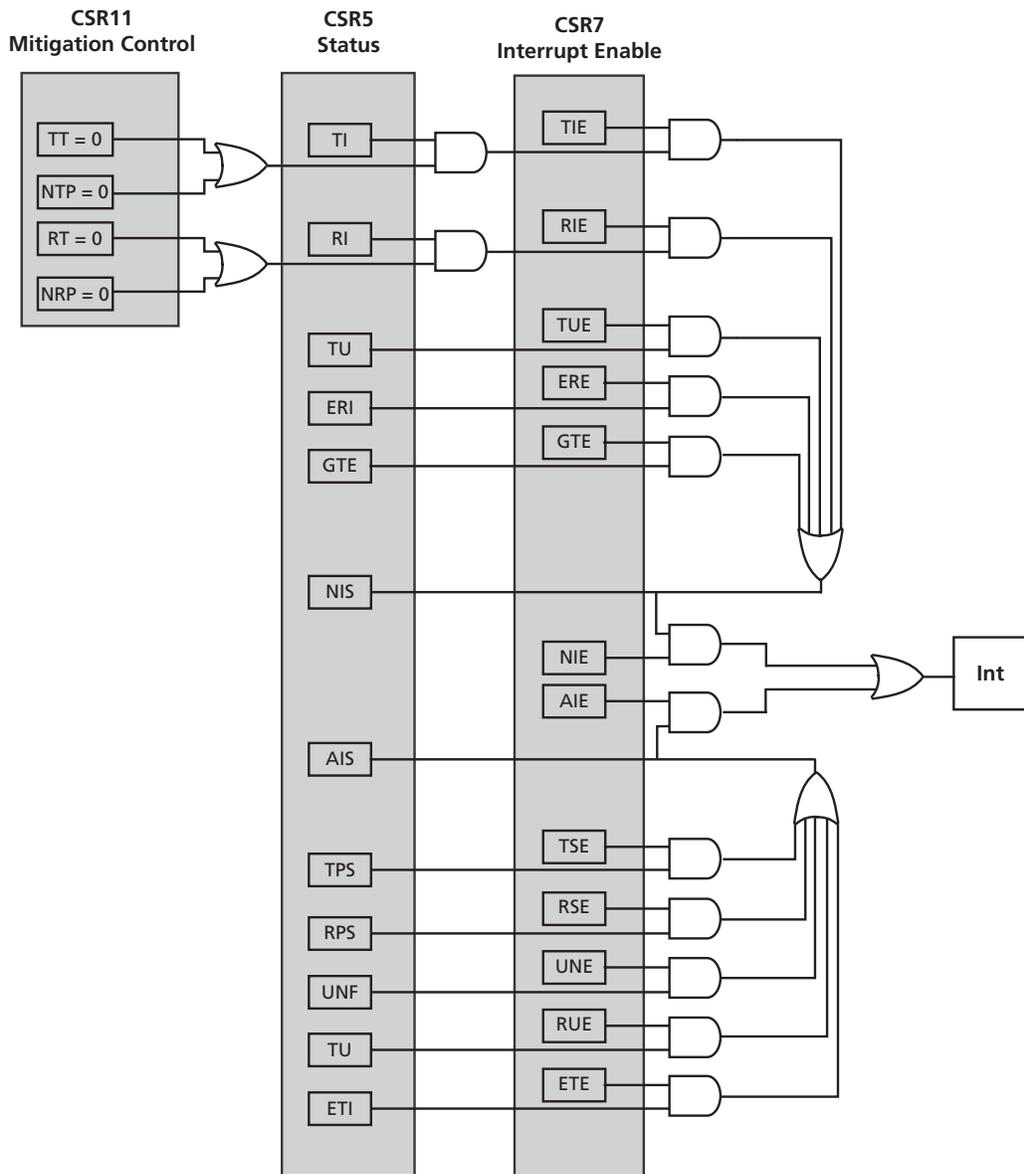


Figure 4-9 · Interrupt Scheme

## General-Purpose Timer

Core10/100 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  $\pm 1$  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

Core10/100 uses a standard MII interface as defined in the 802.3 standard.

This interface can be used for connecting Core10/100 to an external Ethernet 10/100 PHY device.

### MII Interface Signals

Table 4-40 · External PHY Interface Signals

IEEE 802.3 Signal Name	Core10/100 Signal Name	Description
RX_CLK	<code>clkr</code>	Clock for receive operation This should be a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation.
RX_DV	<code>rxdv</code>	Receive data valid signal The PHY device should assert <code>rxdv</code> when a valid data nibble is provided on the <code>rxd</code> signal. The <code>rxdv</code> signal must be synchronous to the <code>clkr</code> receive clock.
RX_ER	<code>rxer</code>	Receive error Core10/100 ends a reception when this bit is asserted during a receive operation. The <code>rxer</code> signal must be synchronous to the <code>clkr</code> receive clock.
RXD	<code>rxd</code>	Receive data recovered and decoded by PHY The <code>rxd[0]</code> signal is the least significant bit. The <code>rxd</code> bus must be synchronous to the <code>clkr</code> receive clock.
TX_CLK	<code>clkt</code>	Clock for transmit operation This should be a 25 MHz clock for 100 Mbps operation or a 2.5 MHz clock for 10 Mbps operation.
TX_EN	<code>txen</code>	Transmit enable When asserted, indicates valid data for the PHY on <code>txd</code> . The <code>txen</code> signal is synchronous to the <code>clkt</code> transmit clock.
TXD	<code>txd</code>	Transmit data The <code>txd[0]</code> signal is the least significant bit. The <code>txd</code> bus is synchronous to the <code>clkt</code> transmit clock.

Table 4-40 · External PHY Interface Signals (continued)

IEEE 802.3 Signal Name	Core10/100 Signal Name	Description
COL	col	Collision detected This signal should 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 Core10/100. 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 should 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	txer	Transmit error The current version of Core10/100 has the txer 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**

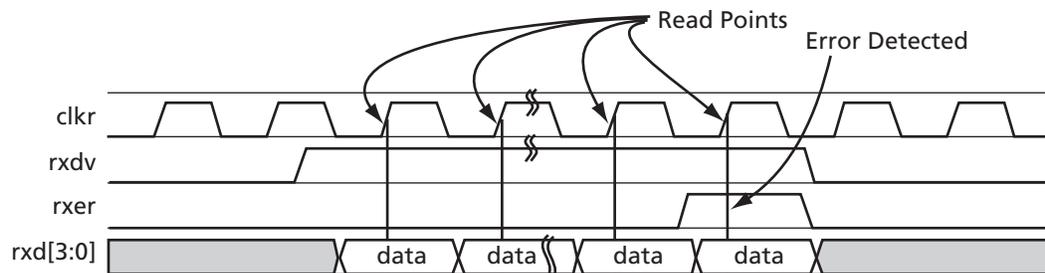


Figure 4-10 · MII Receive Operation

## MII Transmit Operation

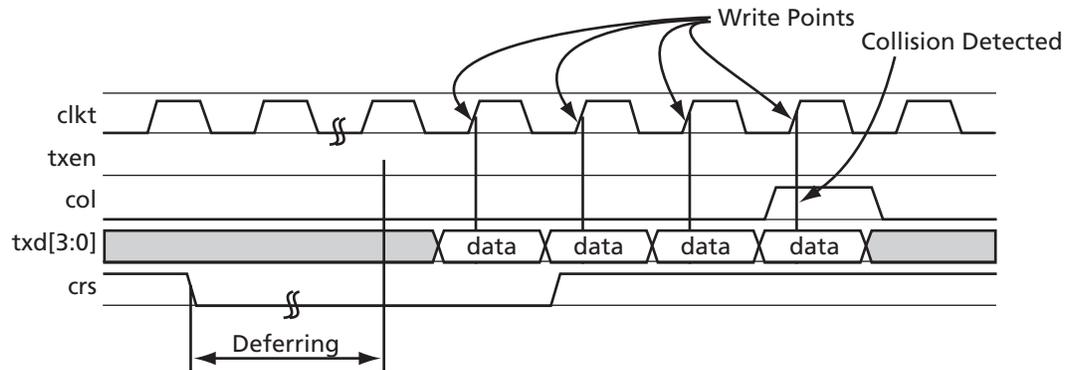


Figure 4-11 · MII Transmit Operation

## Frame Format

Core10/100 supports the Ethernet frame format shown in Figure 4-12 (“B” indicates bytes). The standard Ethernet frames (DIX Ethernet), as well as IEEE 802.3 frames, are accepted.

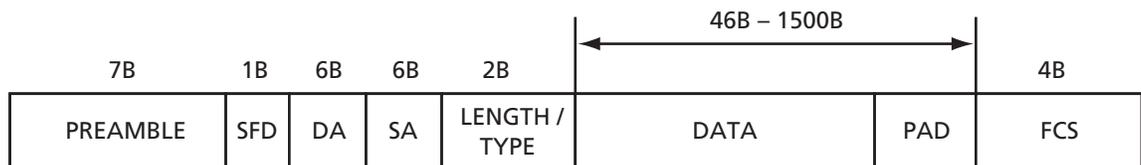


Figure 4-12 · Frame Format

Table 4-41 · Frame Field Usage

Field	Width (bytes)	Transmit Operation	Receive Operation
PREAMBLE	7	Generated by Core10/100	Stripped from received data Not required for proper operation
SFD	1	Generated by Core10/100	Stripped from received data
DA	6	Supplied by host	Checked by Core10/100 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 Core10/100 when CSR.23 (DPD) bit is cleared and data supplied by host is less than 64 bytes	Passed to host
FCS	4	Generated by Core10/100 when CSR.26 bit is cleared	Checked by Core10/100 and passed to host

## Collision Handling

Collision detection is performed via the col input port. If a collision is detected before the end of the PREAMBLE/SFD, Core10/100 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, Core10/100 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. Core10/100 aborts the transmission and appends the JAM sequence. The transmit message is flushed from the FIFO. Core10/100 does not initiate a backoff and does not attempt to retransmit the frame when a late collision is detected.

Core10/100 uses a “truncated binary exponential backoff” algorithm for backoff computing, as defined in the IEEE 802.3 standard and outlined in Figure 4-13.

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

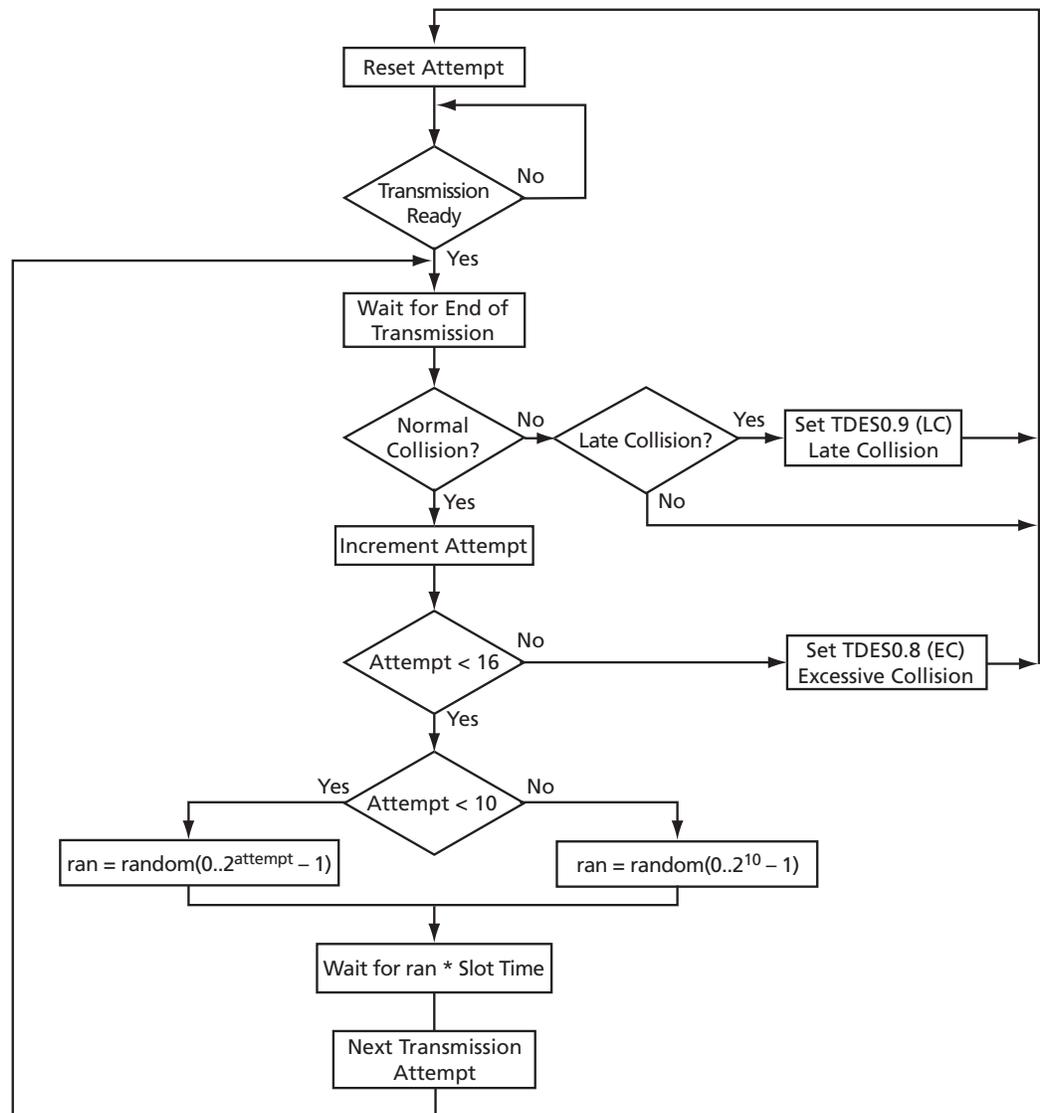


Figure 4-13 · Backoff Process Algorithms

## Deferring

The deferral algorithm is implemented per the 802.3 specification and outlined in [Figure 4-14](#). 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.

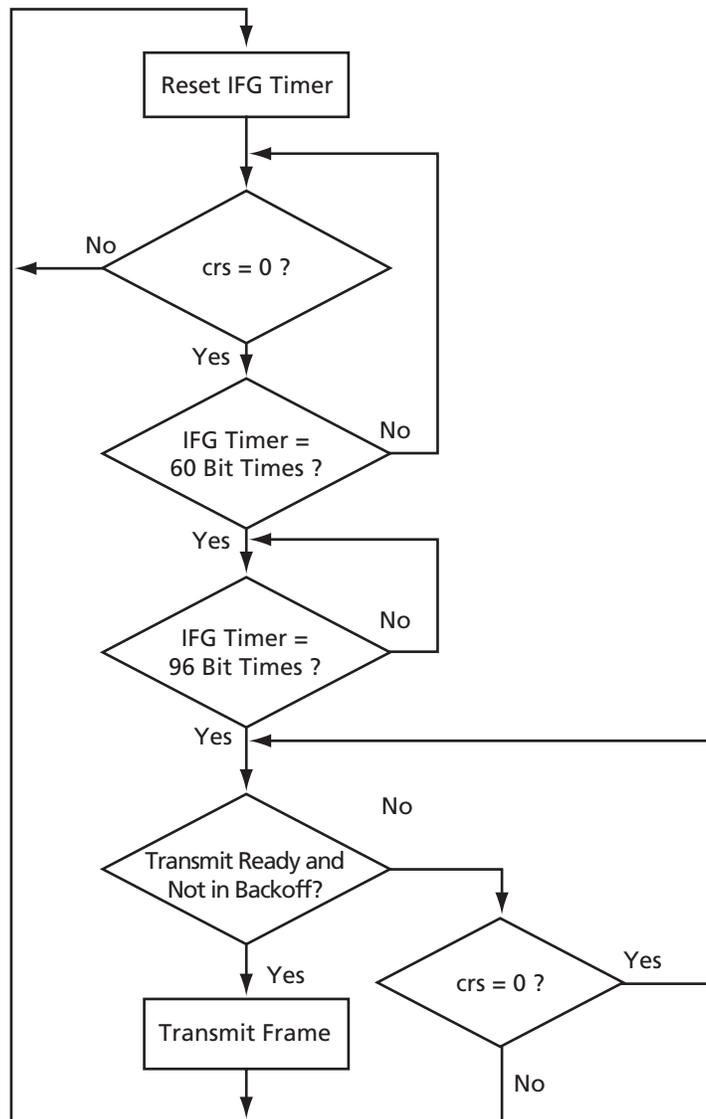


Figure 4-14 · Deferment Process Algorithms

## 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, i.e., 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 Core10/100 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 Core10/100 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. Core10/100 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 4-15.

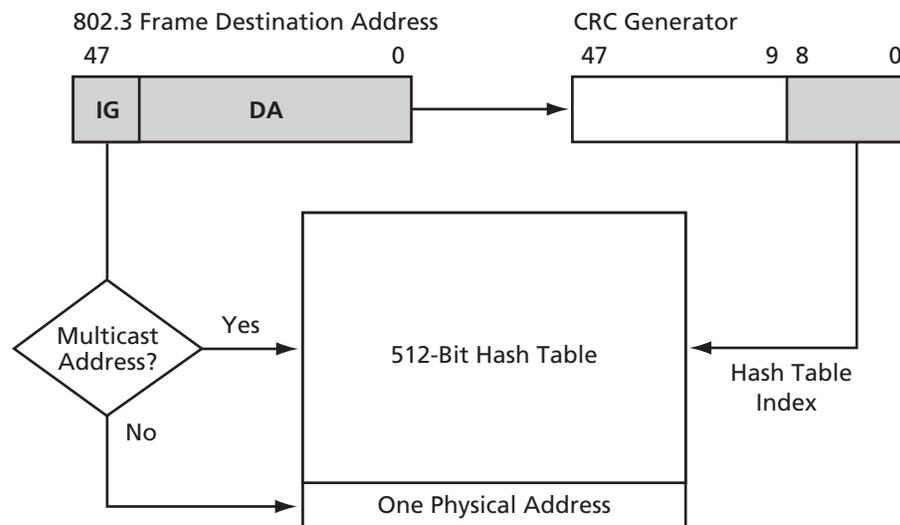


Figure 4-15 · Filtering with One Physical Address and the Hash Table

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 Core10/100, 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.

## External Address Filtering Interface

An external address filtering interface is provided to extend the internal filtering capabilities of Core10/100. The interface allows connection of external user-supplied address checking logic. All signals from the interface are synchronous to the `clk` clock.

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

Table 4-42 · External Address Interface Description

Core10/100 Signal Name	Type	Description
match	In	<p>External address match</p> <p>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 Core10/100.</p> <p>When LOW, indicates that the destination address on the matchdata port is not recognized and that the current frame should be discarded.</p> <p>Note that the match signal should be valid only when the matchval signal is HIGH.</p>
matchval	In	<p>External address match valid</p> <p>When HIGH, indicates that the match signal is valid.</p>
matchen	Out	<p>External match enable</p> <p>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 clk clock periods to allow for latency of external address checking logic.</p>
matchdata	Out	<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 matchen signal is HIGH.</p>



## Interface Timing

### Core10/100—CSR Interface

#### CSR Read/Write Operation

The CSR read and write operations are synchronous to the positive edge of the clkcsr signal and are illustrated in Figure 5-1. Read operations require that the data be read in the same clock cycle in which the csrreq signal is set to logic 1.

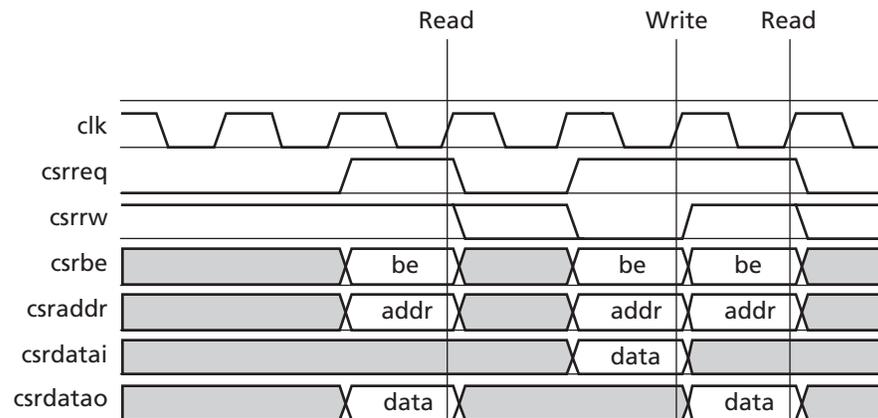


Figure 5-1 · CSR Read/Write Operation

### Core10/100—Data Interface

The data interface is used for data transfers between Core10/100 and external shared system memory. It is a master via the DMA interface; i.e., Core10/100 operates as an initiator on this data interface. The interface operates synchronously with the clkdma clock supplied by the system. The data width of the interface can be changed using the core parameter DATAWIDTH. Possible DATAWIDTH values are 8, 16, and 32. There are two data exchange types that can be initiated and performed by Core10/100 via the DMA interface. The first data exchange type is the transmit and receive descriptors. These are set up by the host and fetched by the DMA interface to instruct Core10/100 to exchange the Ethernet frame data in specified locations of shared RAM. The second data exchange type is the Ethernet data type.

#### Data Interface Write Operation

The data interface supports single or burst data transfer. The writes are operated on the positive edge of the clock clkdma. The write operation starts when the data interface sets datareq to HIGH, and then the data interface waits until dataack from the host interface is set to HIGH (which indicates that the host is ready to receive the writes). A byte enable signal databe indicates the valid bytes on each write. The signal dataob indicates to the hosts that it is the end of a burst transfer. The signal dataack can be asserted or deasserted at any clock cycle; even in the middle of a burst transfer.

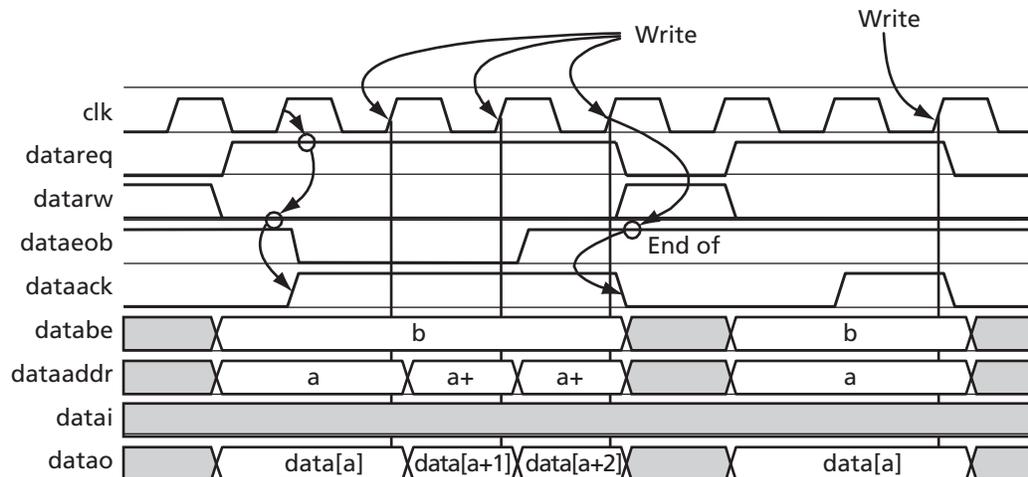


Figure 5-2 · Core10/100 Host Data Write Operation

## Data Interface Read Operation

The data interface supports single or burst data transfer. The reads are operated on the positive edge of the clock  $clk_{dma}$ . The read operation starts when the data interface sets  $datareq$  to HIGH, and then the data interface waits until  $dataack$  from the host interface is set to HIGH (which indicates that the data is ready to be received by the data interface). A byte enable signal,  $databe$ , indicates the valid bytes on each read request. The signal  $dataeob$  indicates to the hosts that it is the end of a burst transfer.  $dataack$  can be asserted or deasserted at any clock cycle, even in the middle of a burst transfer.

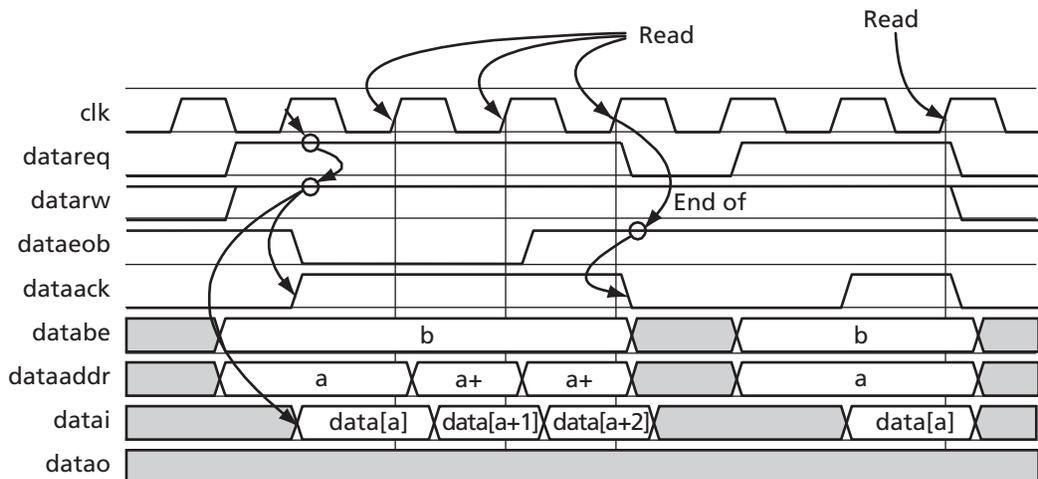


Figure 5-3 · Host Data Read Operation

## Core10/100\_AHBAPB—APB Interface

Figure 5-4 and Figure 5-5 depict typical write cycle and read cycle timing relationships relative to the APB system clock, PCLK.

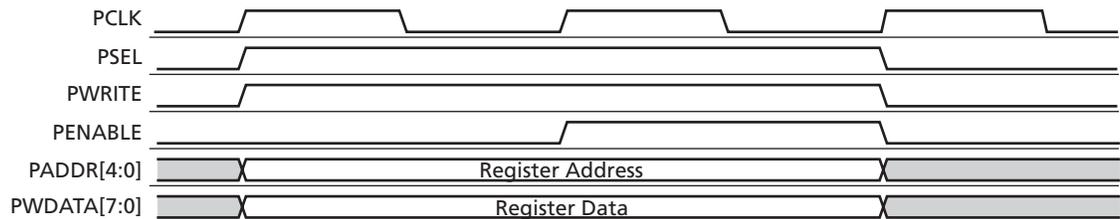


Figure 5-4 · Data Write Cycle

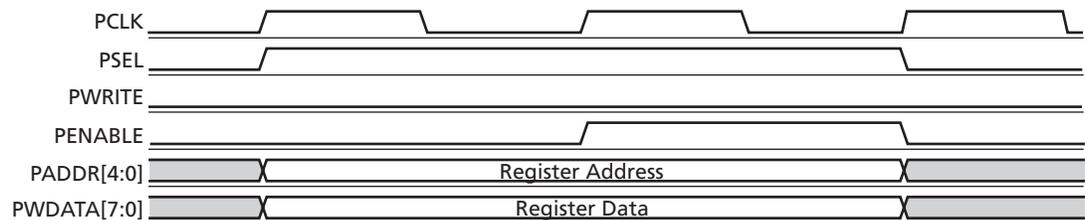


Figure 5-5 · Data Read Cycle

More detailed descriptions and timing waveforms can be found in the AMBA specification:

[http://www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA\\_Spec.html](http://www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA_Spec.html).

## Core10/100\_AHBAPB—AHB Interface

Core10/100 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. Full timing diagrams are available in the AMBA specification:

[http://www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA\\_Spec.html](http://www.amba.com/products/solutions/AMBA_Spec.html).

## Clock and Reset Control

### Clock Controls

As shown in Figure 5-6 on page 68, 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 clkdma global clock supplied by the system.
- The CSR operates synchronously with the clkcsr clock supplied by the system.

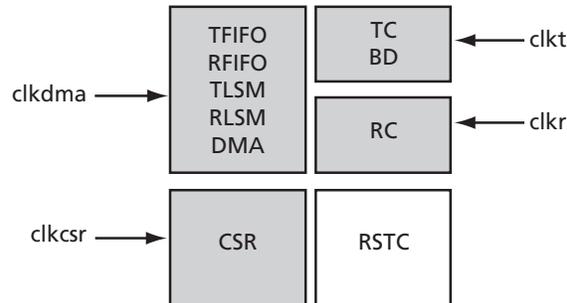


Figure 5-6 · Clock Domains and Reset

All clock signals are independent and can be asynchronous one to another. If needed, the clkcsr and clkdma 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 clkcsr is required for proper operation of the transmit, receive, and general-purpose timers. The minimum frequency for clkcsr must be at least the clkt frequency divided by 64. For proper operation of the receive timer, the clkcsr frequency should 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

Core10/100 contains a single input rstcsr signal. This signal is sampled in the RSTC component by clock clkcsr. The RSTC component generates an internal asynchronous reset for every clock domain in Core10/100. 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 clkcsr in the user's design. The minimum recovery time for a software reset is two clkcsr periods plus one maximum clock period among clkdma, 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

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

- FROM "clkdma" TO "clkt" uses clock period of clkdma
- FROM "clkt" TO "clkdma" uses clock period of clkt
- FROM "clkdma" TO "clkr" uses clock period of clkdma
- FROM "clkr" TO "clkdma" uses clock period of clkr
- FROM "clkcsr" TO "clkt" uses clock period of clkcsr
- FROM "clkt" TO "clkcsr" uses clock period of clkt
- FROM "clkcsr" TO "clkr" uses clock period of clkcsr
- FROM "clkr" TO "clkcsr" uses clock period of clkr

**Note:** For Core10/100\_AHBAPB, clkdma should be replaced by HCLK and clkcsr by PCLK.

# Testbench Operation and Modification

## Verification Testbench

Included with the releases of Core10/100 is a verification testbench that verifies operation of the Core10/100 macro. A simplified block diagram of the verification testbench is shown in Figure 6-1. The source code of the verification testbench is only shipped with the RTL version of Core10/100. The compiled ModelSim models of the verification testbench are shipped with the Evaluation, Obfuscated, and RTL versions of Core10/100. The verification testbench is used to verify the RTL source code of Core10/100 and the netlists provided in the Obfuscated version of Core10/100. Actel recommends that the user testbench (see “User Testbench (Core10/100)” on page 74), rather than the verification testbench, be used as a guide for system integration.

## Verification Testbench Overview

The verification testbench instantiates one Core10/100 macro with associated RAMs, as well as the test vector modules that provide stimuli source, and performs comparisons for expected values throughout the simulation process. A procedural testbench controls each module and applies the sequential stimuli to the sub-blocks in the testbench.

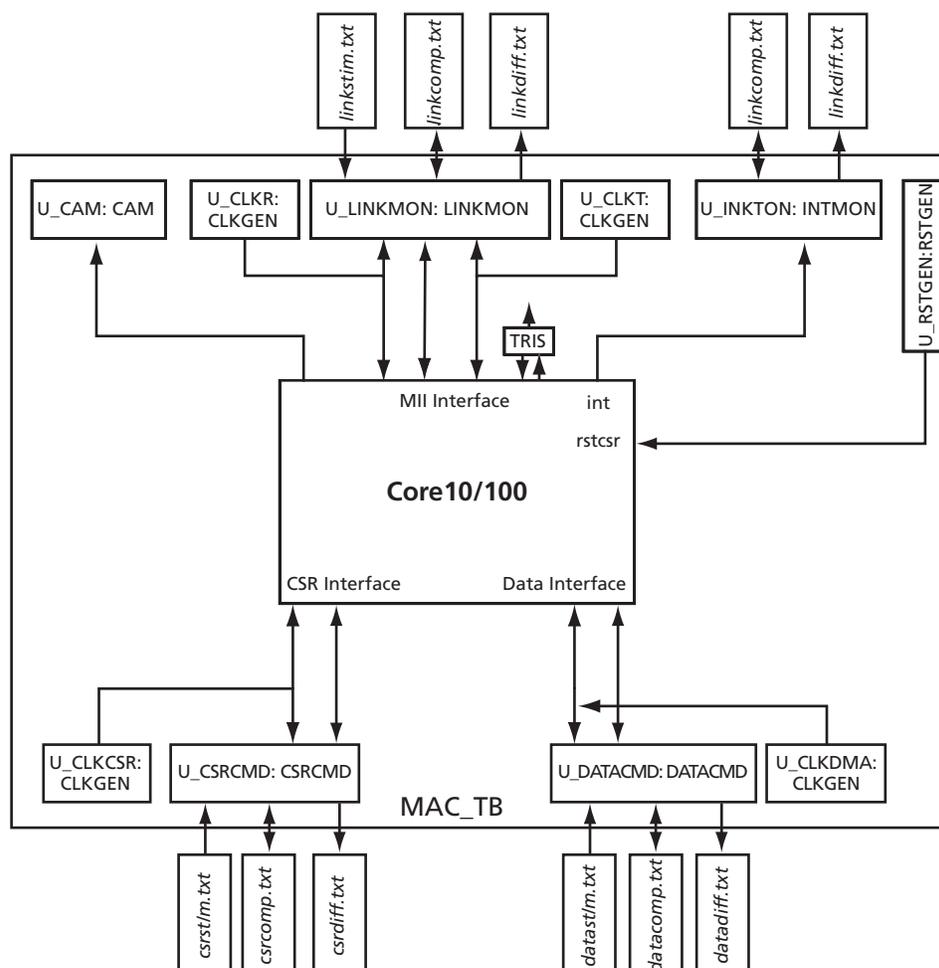


Figure 6-1 · Core10/100 Verification Testbench

## Verification Testbench Environment Description

The verification testbench's top-level module is TB\_VERIF (Figure 6-1 on page 69), which instantiates the core and the following drivers and monitors:

Table 6-1 · The Verification Testbench Environment Components

Instance	Module	Design File	Description
U_CSRCMD	CSRCMD	csrcmd.vhd	CSR interface monitor
U_DATACMD	CMD	cmd.vhd	Data interface monitor
U_LINKMON	LINKMON	linkmon.vhd	MII interface monitor
U_INTMON	INTMON	intmon.vhd	Interrupt monitor
U_CLKCSR	CLKGEN	clkgen.vhd	CSR clock generator
U_CLKDMA	CLKGEN	clkgen.vhd	Data clock generator
U_CLKT	CLKGEN	clkgen.vhd	MII transmit clock
U_CLKR	CLKGEN	clkgen.vhd	MII receive clock
U_RSTGEN	RSTGEN	rstgen.vhd	Reset generator
U_CAM	CAM	cam.vhd	CAM memory model

### DATACMD – Data Interface Monitor

DATACMD is a bus monitor for the data interface. It monitors and drives all bus transactions that occur on the Core10/100 data interface. DATACMD reads the expected results from the *datacomp.txt* file and compares them with the actual bus transactions observed on the Core10/100 data interface. The results of the comparison are written into the file with the simulation differences (*datadiff.txt*). The stimulator file (*datastim.txt*) is used as a set of stimulation vectors applied to the Core10/100 data interface during the simulation process.

The files with the expected results and the files with the stimulus vectors use a common file format. The bus transactions are described as commands in those files. The set of available commands consists of the following:

- 0 <cycles>
  - command Wait – waits for a specified number of clock cycles. No bus transactions are completed when the cmdWait command is executed.
- 1 <address> <eob> <rdata>
  - command Read – represents a read request on the bus
- 2 <address> <eob> <wdata>
  - command Write – represents a write request on the bus

### CSRCMD – CSR Interface Monitor

CSRCMD is a bus monitor for the CSR interface. It monitors and drives all bus transactions that occur on the CSR interface. CSRCMD reads the expected results from the *csrcomp.txt* file and compares them with the actual bus transactions observed on the CSR interface. Results of the comparison are written into the file with the simulation differences (*csrdiff.txt*). The stimulator file (*csrstim.txt*) is used as a set of stimulation vectors. These vectors are applied to the CSR interface during the simulation process.

The files with the expected results and the files with the stimulators use a common file format. The bus transactions are described as commands in those files. The set of available commands consists of the following:

- 0 <cycles>
  - command Wait – waits for a specified number of clock cycles. No bus transactions are completed when the cmdWait command is executed.
- 1 <address> <eob> <rdata>
  - command Read – represents a read request on the bus
- 2 <address> <eob> <wdata>
  - command Write – represents a write request on the bus

### LINKMON – MII Interface Monitor

LINKMON is the MII interface monitor. It monitors and drives the transmit MII pins. LINKMON reads the expected results from the *linkcomp.txt* file and compares them with the actual transmissions observed on the MII interface. The results of the comparison are written into the file with the simulation differences (*linkdiff.txt*). The stimulator file (*linkstim.txt*) is used as a set of stimulation vectors for the MII. These vectors are applied to Core10/100 during the simulation process.

The format of the *linkstim.txt* and *linkcomp.txt* files is shown below:

```
<time> <txd/rxd> <txen/rxen> <txer/rxer> <col> <crs>
  <time>      - The absolute simulation time
  <txd/rxd>   - In the case of the linkcomp.txt file, this reflects the value on the txd
                pins. In the case of the linkstim.txt file, this is applied to the rxd
                pins.
  <txer/rxer> - In the case of the linkstim.txt file, this value is applied to the rxer
                pin. In the case of the linkcomp.txt file, it reflects value on the txer
                pin.
  <col>       - Actual value on the col input
  <crs>       - Actual value on the crs input
```

### INTMON – Interrupt Monitor

All event times on pin int are compared with the actual events on the Core10/100 int pin. The results of the comparison are written into the file with the simulation differences (*intdiff.txt*).

Each row of the *intcomp.txt* file contains the total simulation time of an event on the int pin.

### CLKGEN – Clock Generation Unit

The CLKGEN component is a clock generator used for controlling the clkdma, clkcsr, clkr, and clkt signals. The period of this clock can be configured (default PERIOD = 40 ns).

The period of the clkdma clock can be changed using the CLKDMA\_PERIOD generic parameter.

The period of the clkcsr clock can be changed using the CLKCSR\_PERIOD generic parameter.

The period of the clkt and clkr clocks can be changed using the CLKMII\_PERIOD generic parameter.

### RSTGEN – Reset Generation Unit

The RSTGEN component is a reset generator used for controlling the rstcsr reset signal. The reset is generated at the beginning of each test. The length of the reset can be configured (default length = 32 × CLKCSR\_PERIOD).

The length of the rstcsr reset can be changed using the RSTCSR\_CYCLES generic parameter.

## CAM – Content Addressable Memory Model

The CAM model is a simple component used to test operation of an address filtering interface for Core10/100. It is connected directly to the Core10/100 interface.

## Verification Testbench Tests

Three verification test suites are provided to support three different configurations of Core10/100, with core parameter DATAWIDTH set to 8, 16, or 32 (refer to the [Core10/100](#) datasheet). The verification test suite for Core10/100 consists of the tests listed in [Table 6-2](#). These tests are located in the directory `sim/runtime/tests`.

Table 6-2 · Core10/100 Verification Tests

Test Name	Number of Tests	Description
bd1–bd11	11	Backoff/deferring tests
tfifo1–tfifo12	12	Transmit FIFO tests
tlsm1–tlsm40	40	Transmit link list state machine tests
tim1–tim14	14	Transmit interrupt mitigation control tests
rc1–rc10	10	Receive operation tests
raf1–raf9	9	Receive address filtering tests
rfifo1–rfifo6	6	Receive FIFO tests
rlsm1–rlsm10	10	Receive link list state machine tests
rim1–rim12	12	Receive interrupt mitigation control tests
int1–int8	8	Interrupt tests
gpt1–gpt14	14	General-purpose timer tests
dma1–dma19	19	DMA tests
misc1–misc12	12	Miscellaneous tests

Note that a prefix (“m4d8\_”, “m4d16\_”, “m4d32\_”) is added to the name under column “Test Name” in [Table 6-2](#) to distinguish tests for 8-, 16-, and 32-bit data bus configurations for Core10/100.

During each of the 177 verification tests listed in [Table 6-2 on page 72](#), the testbench reads from and writes to 12 ASCII files. These 12 ASCII files are located in the `runtime/tests/m4d8(or 16 or 32)/testname` ([Table 6-2 on page 72](#)) directory and are described in [Table 6-3](#).

Table 6-3 · Verification Test ASCII Runtime Files

Test File Name	Description
<code>csrstim.txt</code>	Stimulus file for CSR interface
<code>datastim.txt</code>	Stimulus file for data interface
<code>linkstim.txt</code>	Stimulus file for MII interface

Table 6-3 · Verification Test ASCII Runtime Files (continued)

Test File Name	Description
<i>csrcomp.txt</i>	Expected testbench results from CSR interface
<i>datacomp.txt</i>	Expected testbench results from data interface
<i>linkcomp.txt</i>	Expected testbench results from MII interface
<i>intcomp.txt</i>	Expected testbench results from interrupt line
<i>csrdiff.txt</i>	CSR interface difference file
<i>datadiff.txt</i>	Data interface difference file
<i>linkdiff.txt</i>	MII interface difference file
<i>intdiff.txt</i>	Interrupt line difference file
<i>time.txt</i>	Simulation time

Note that none of the files listed in [Table 6-3](#) should be modified.

## Verification Testbench Simulation

The simulation of each test in the verification testbench first reads a test configuration file that tells the simulator to invoke the simulation with different top-level parameters, such as host interface bus width, clock frequencies, etc. The test configuration file specifies the parameters for each test in the three test suites described in “[Verification Testbench Tests](#)” on page 72.

## User Testbench (Core10/100)

An example user testbench is included with the Evaluation, Obfuscated, and RTL releases of Core10/100. The user testbench is provided in a precompiled ModelSim model for the Evaluation release. 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 Core10/100 macro into a design and verifying it. A block diagram of the example user design and testbench is shown in Figure 6-2.

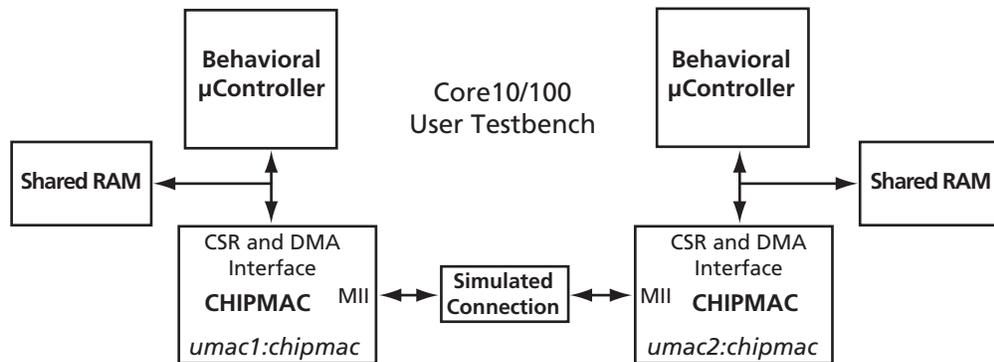


Figure 6-2 · Core10/100 User Testbench

The user testbench includes a simple example design that serves as a reference for users who want to implement their own designs. RTL source code for the user testbench shown in Figure 6-2 is included in the source directory for the Obfuscated and RTL releases of Core10/100.

The testbench for the example user design implements a subset of the functionality tested in the verification testbench, described in the previous chapter. Conceptually, as shown in Figure 6-2, two instantiations of the Core10/100 core are connected via simulated connections in the user testbench. Example transmit and receive between the two Core10/100 units is demonstrated by the user testbench so you can gain a basic understanding of how to use the core.

The source code for the user testbench contains the same example wrapper, CHIPMAC, used in the verification testbench. The user testbench source code is listed in Table 6-2 on page 72. For details on the support routines (tasks for Verilog testbenches; functions and procedures for VHDL testbenches), see Appendix A: “User Testbench Support Routines” on page 81.

The user testbench consists of two cores: umac1 and umac2. In the example, umac1 transmits a 64-byte frame to umac2. To do so, the user testbench exercises the following steps:

For umac1:

1. Write several CSR registers to set up the operation mode.
2. Write two transmit descriptors into shared RAM (uram1).
3. Write the 64-byte data into shared RAM (uram1). The data consists of a sequence: 0, 1, 2, ..., 63.
4. Turn on transmission.
5. Wait for the transmit interrupt.
6. Read the status register CSR5.
7. Clear the interrupt flags.

For umac2:

1. Write several CSR registers to set up the operation mode.
2. Write two receive descriptors into shared RAM (uram2).
3. Turn on receiving.
4. Wait for the receive interrupt.
5. Read the status register CSR5.
6. Check received data to match data sent by umac1.
7. Clear the interrupt flags.

The operations of umac1 and umac2 are concurrent.

## AHBAPB User Testbench (Core10/100\_AHBAPB)

An example AHBAPB user testbench to exercise the AHB and APB interfaces on Core10/100\_AHBAPB is included with the Evaluation, Obfuscated, and RTL releases of Core10/100.

The AHBAPB user testbench is provided in a precompiled ModelSim model for the Evaluation release. 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 Core10/100 macro into a design and verifying it.

A block diagram of the example user design and testbench is shown in [Figure 6-3](#).

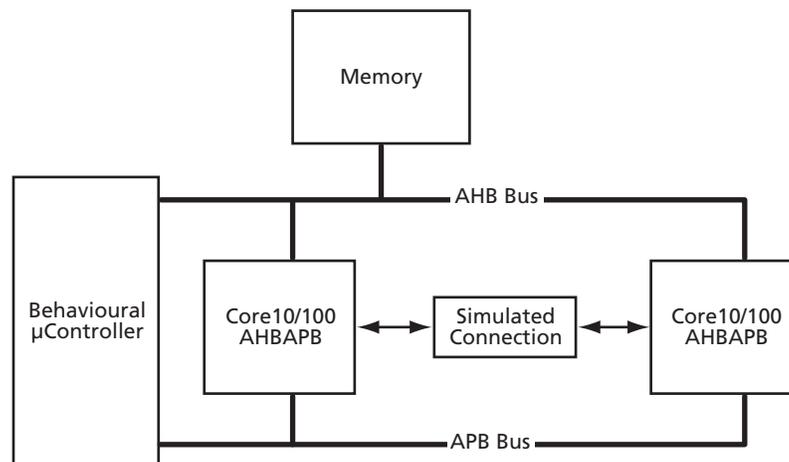


Figure 6-3 · Core10/100\_AHBAPB User Testbench

The testbench for the example user design implements the same test sequence as performed by the user testbench for Core10/100. The difference is that the behavioral processor accesses memory via the AHB and accesses the core via the APB.



## System Operation

This chapter provides various hints to ease the process of implementation and integration of Core10/100 into your own design.

### Usage with CoreMP7

Core10/100 can also be used with CoreMP7, the Actel soft IP version of the popular ARM7TDMI-S microprocessor that has been optimized for Actel FPGA devices. To create a design using CoreMP7 and Core10/100 (Figure 7-1), you should use the CoreConsole IDP software. Refer to the [CoreConsole documentation](#) for how to create your CoreMP7-based design.

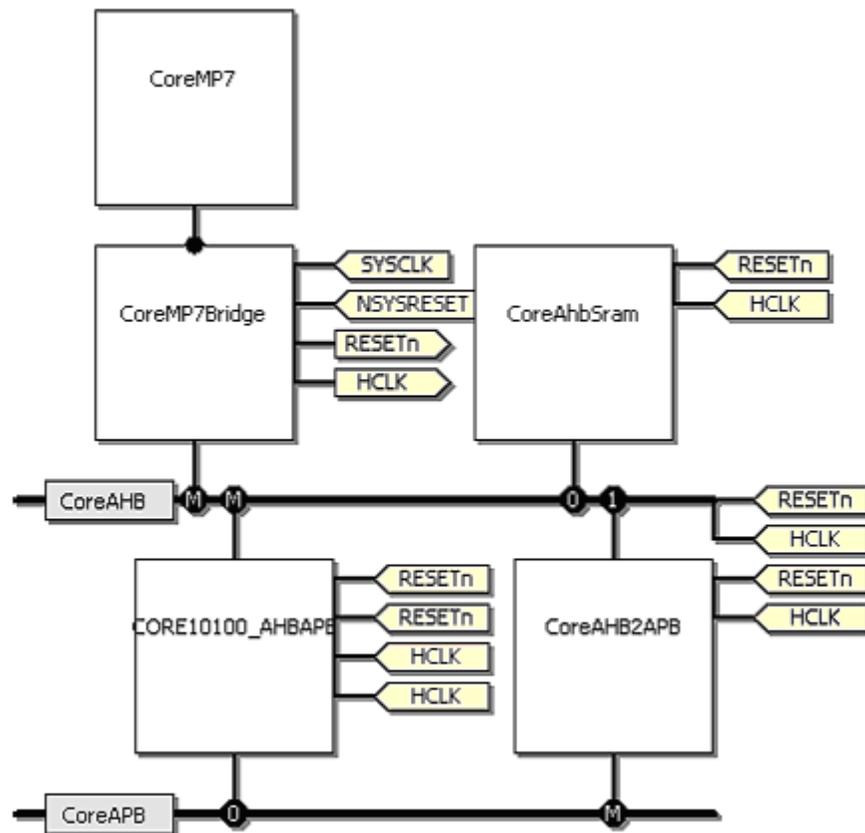


Figure 7-1 · Example System Using CoreMP7 and Core10/100



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## Software Drivers

Example software drivers are available from Actel for Core10/100. Contact Actel Technical Support for information ([tech@actel.com](mailto:tech@actel.com)).



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# User Testbench Support Routines

The verification and user testbenches for the Core10/100 macro make use of various support routines, both in VHDL and Verilog. The various support routines are described in this appendix for the VHDL and Verilog testbenches.

## VHDL Support

The VHDL support routines (procedures and functions) are provided within a package. The support routines are referenced from within the user testbenches, via library and use clauses.

### Procedure Definitions

#### Procedure *print(arguments)*

Several *print* procedures are defined by overloading different argument types from string, integer, std\_logic, and std\_logic\_vector.

#### Procedure *print\_wt(arguments)*

Several *print\_wt* procedures display information as the *print* procedure, but simulation time is added at the beginning of each display.

#### Procedure *print\_tx\_descriptor*

The procedure *print\_tx\_descriptor* displays detailed information about a transmit descriptor. It is defined below:

```
procedure print_tx_descriptor (  
marks    : in STRING;  
des0     : in integer;  
des1     : in integer;  
des2     : in integer;  
des3     : in integer  
) ;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the transmit descriptor.

#### Procedure *print\_rx\_descriptor*

The procedure *print\_rx\_descriptor* displays detailed information about a receive descriptor. It is defined below:

```
procedure print_rx_descriptor (  
marks    : in STRING;  
des0     : in integer;  
des1     : in integer;  
des2     : in integer;  
des3     : in integer  
) ;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the receive descriptor.

### Procedure *print\_csr5*

The procedure *print\_csr5* displays detailed information on the CSR status register. It is defined below:

```
procedure print_csr5 (  
marks    : in STRING;  
csr      : in integer  
);
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *csr* is the value of CSR register CSR5.

### Procedure *write\_csr*

The procedure *write\_csr* writes a CSR register. It is defined below:

```
procedure write_csr (  
signal clk      : in std_logic;  
signal csrreq   : out std_logic;  
signal csrrw    : out std_logic;  
signal csrbe    : out std_logic_vector(CSRWIDTH/8-1 downto 0);  
signal csraddr  : out std_logic_vector(CSRDEPTH-1 downto 0);  
signal csrdatai : out std_logic_vector(CSRWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
signal csrack   : in std_logic;  
wa             : in integer;  
wd             : in integer  
);
```

The clkcsr is *clk*. Refer to the *Core10/100* datasheet for *csrreq*, *csrrw*, *csrbe*, *csraddr*, *csrdatai*, and *csrack*. The value of the CSR register address is *wa*, and the value of the CSR register is *wd*.

### Procedure *read\_csr*

The procedure *read\_csr* reads a CSR register. It is defined below:

```
procedure read_csr (  
signal clk      : in std_logic;  
signal csrreq   : out std_logic;  
signal csrrw    : out std_logic;  
signal csrbe    : out std_logic_vector(CSRWIDTH/8-1 downto 0);  
signal csraddr  : out std_logic_vector(CSRDEPTH-1 downto 0);  
signal csrdatai : out std_logic_vector(CSRWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
signal csrack   : in std_logic;  
ra             : in integer;  
rd             : out integer  
);
```

The clkcsr is *clk*. Refer to the *Core10/100* datasheet for *csrreq*, *csrrw*, *csrbe*, *csraddr*, *csrdatai*, and *csrack*. The value of the CSR register address is *ra*, and the value of the CSR register is *rd*.

### Procedure *tb\_write\_data*

The procedure *tb\_write\_data* writes data into shared RAM, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
procedure tb_write_data (  
  count          : in integer;  
  signal  clk    : in std_logic;  
  signal  we     : out std_logic;  
  signal  waddr  : out std_logic_vector(DATADEPTH-1 downto 0);  
  signal  wdata  : out std_logic_vector(DATAWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
  wa       : in integer;  
  wd       : in int_array  
)
```

The clkdma is *clk*, *count* is number of the byte, *wa* is the beginning address of the sequence data, *wd* is an array storing the written data, *we* is the write enable issued from testbench, *waddr* is the write address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, and *wdata* is the write data bus issued from the testbench.

### Procedure *tb\_read\_data*

The procedure *tb\_read\_data* reads data from shared RAM, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
procedure tb_read_data (  
  count          : in integer;  
  signal  clk    : in std_logic;  
  signal  re     : out std_logic;  
  signal  raddr  : out std_logic_vector(DATADEPTH-1 downto 0);  
  signal  rdata  : out std_logic_vector(DATAWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
  ra       : in integer;  
  rd       : out int_array  
)
```

The clkdma is *clk*, *count* is the number of bytes, *ra* is the beginning address of the sequence data, *rd* is an array storing the written data, *re* is the read enable issued from testbench, *raddr* is the read address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, and *rdata* is the read data to the testbench.

### Procedure *tb\_write\_tx\_descriptor*

The procedure *tb\_write\_tx\_descriptor* writes a transmit descriptor into shared RAM, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
procedure tb_write_tx_descriptor (  
marks          : in STRING;  
signal  clk    : in std_logic;  
signal  we     : out std_logic;  
signal  waddr  : out std_logic_vector(DATADEPTH-1 downto 0);  
signal  wdata  : out std_logic_vector(DATAWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
desaddr      : in integer;  
des0         : in integer;  
des1         : in integer;  
des2         : in integer;  
des3         : in integer  
)
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, *clk* is the *clkdma*, *desaddr* is the beginning address of the descriptor, *we* is the write enable issued from the testbench, *waddr* is the write address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, *wdata* is the write data bus issued from the testbench, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the descriptor.

### Procedure *tb\_write\_rx\_descriptor*

The procedure *tb\_write\_rx\_descriptor* writes a receive descriptor into shared RAM, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
procedure tb_write_rx_descriptor (  
marks          : in STRING;  
signal  clk    : in std_logic;  
signal  we     : out std_logic;  
signal  waddr  : out std_logic_vector(DATADEPTH-1 downto 0);  
signal  wdata  : out std_logic_vector(DATAWIDTH-1 downto 0);  
desaddr      : in integer;  
des0         : in integer;  
des1         : in integer;  
des2         : in integer;  
des3         : in integer  
)
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, *clk* is the *clkdma*, *desaddr* is the beginning address of the descriptor, *we* is the write enable issued from the testbench, *waddr* is the write address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, *wdata* is the write data bus issued from the testbench, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the descriptor.

### Procedure *tb\_read\_descriptor*

The procedure *tb\_read\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor into shared RAM, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

procedure tb_descriptor (
  signal clk      : in std_logic;
  signal re       : out std_logic;
  signal raddr    : out std_logic_vector(DATADEPTH-1 downto 0);
  signal rdata    : out std_logic_vector(DATAWIDTH-1 downto 0);
  desaddr        : in integer;
  des0           : out integer;
  des1           : out integer;
  des2           : out integer;
  des3           : out integer
)

```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, *clk* is the *clkdma*, *desaddr* is the beginning address of the descriptor, *re* is the read enable issued from the testbench, *raddr* is the read address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, *rdata* is the read data to the testbench, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the descriptor.

### Procedure *tb\_read\_check\_descriptor*

The procedure *tb\_read\_check\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor from shared RAM, issued from the testbench and checked it against sequential data starting from 0 and incrementing with a step size of 1. It is defined below:

```

procedure tb_read_check_rx_data (
  count          : in integer;
  signal clk     : in std_logic;
  signal re      : out std_logic;
  signal raddr   : out std_logic_vector(SHRAMDEPTH-1 downto 0);
  signal rdata   : in std_logic_vector(SHRAMWIDTH-1 downto 0);
  ra            : in integer;
  signal error   : inout integer
)

```

The *clkdma* is *clk*, *desaddr* is the beginning address of descriptor, *re* is the read enable issued from the testbench, *raddr* is the read address to shared RAM issued from the testbench, *rdata* is the read data to the testbench, *count* is the number of bytes, *ra* is the read address, and *error* is the error counter, which is incremented by the total number of mismatches.

## Verilog Support

The Verilog versions of the testbenches make use of the following tasks, which are included within the top-level module of the user testbenches.

### Verilog Tasks

#### Task Definitions

##### Task *print\_tx\_descriptor*

The task *print\_tx\_descriptor* displays detailed information on a transmit descriptor. It is defined below:

```
task print_tx_descriptor;
    input[STRINGSIZE-1:0] marks;
    input des0;
    integer des0;
    input des1;
    integer des1;
    input des2;
    integer des2;
    input des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the transmit descriptor.

##### Task *print\_rx\_descriptor*

The task *print\_rx\_descriptor* displays detailed information on a receive descriptor. It is defined below:

```
task print_rx_descriptor;
    input[STRINGSIZE-1:0] marks;
    input des0;
    integer des0;
    input des1;
    integer des1;
    input des2;
    integer des2;
    input des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the receive descriptor.

### Task *print\_csr5*

The task *print\_csr5* displays detailed information on the CSR status register. It is defined below:

```
task print_csr5;
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;
    input csr;
    integer csr;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at beginning of the information, and *csr* is the value of CSR register CSR5.

### Task *u1\_write\_csr*

The task *u1\_write\_csr* writes a CSR register of MAC unit 1. It is defined below:

```
task u1_write_csr;
    input wa;
    integer wa;
    input wd;
    integer wd;
```

The variable *wa* is the value of the CSR register address, and *wd* is the value of the CSR register.

### Task *u2\_write\_csr*

The task *u2\_write\_csr* writes a CSR register of MAC unit 2. It is defined below:

```
task u2_write_csr;
    input wa;
    integer wa;
    input wd;
    integer wd;
```

The variable *wa* is the value of the CSR register address, and *wd* is the value of the CSR register.

### Task *u1\_read\_csr*

The task *u1\_read\_csr* reads a CSR register in MAC unit 1. It is defined below:

```
task u1_read_csr;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
    output rd;
    integer rd;
```

The variable *ra* is the value of the CSR register address, and *rd* is the value of the CSR register.

### Task *u2\_read\_csr*

The task *u2\_read\_csr* reads a CSR register in MAC unit 2. It is defined below:

```
task u2_read_csr;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
    output rd;
    integer rd;
```

The variable *ra* is the value of the CSR register address, and *rd* is the value of the CSR register.

### Task *u1\_write\_data*

The task *u1\_write\_data* writes data into shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

task u1_write_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input wa;
    integer wa;
    input[MAX_DATA_ARRAY_SIZE-1:0] wd;

```

The variable *count* is number of bytes, *wa* is the beginning address of the sequence data, and *wd* is an array storing the written data.

#### **Task u2\_write\_data**

The task *u2\_write\_data* writes data into shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

task u2_write_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input wa;
    integer wa;
    input[MAX_DATA_ARRAY_SIZE-1:0] wd;

```

The variable *count* is number of bytes, *wa* is the beginning address of the sequence data, and *wd* is an array storing the written data.

#### **Task u1\_read\_data**

The task *u1\_read\_data* reads data from shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

task u1_read_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
    input[MAX_DATA_ARRAY_SIZE-1:0] rd;

```

The variable *ra* is the beginning address of the sequence data, *rd* is an array storing the written data, and *re* is the read enable issued from the testbench.

#### **Task u2\_read\_data**

The task *u2\_read\_data* reads data from shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

task u2_read_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
    input[MAX_DATA_ARRAY_SIZE-1:0] rd;

```

The variable *ra* is the beginning address of the sequence data, *rd* is an array storing the written data, and *re* is the read enable issued from the testbench.

#### **Task u1\_write\_tx\_descriptor**

The task *u1\_write\_tx\_descriptor* writes a transmit descriptor into shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```

task u1_write_tx_descriptor;

```

```
input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;  
input desaddr;  
integer desaddr;  
input des0;  
integer des0;  
input des1;  
integer des1;  
input des2;  
integer des2;  
input des3;  
integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the transmit descriptor.

#### **Task u2\_write\_tx\_descriptor**

The task *u2\_write\_tx\_descriptor* writes a transmit descriptor into shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
task u2_write_tx_descriptor;  
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;  
    input desaddr;  
    integer desaddr;  
    input des0;  
    integer des0;  
    input des1;  
    integer des1;  
    input des2;  
    integer des2;  
    input des3;  
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, *desaddr* is the starting address of the descriptor, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the transmit descriptor.

**Task u1\_write\_rx\_descriptor**

The task *u1\_write\_rx\_descriptor* writes a receive descriptor into shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
task u1_write_rx_descriptor;
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;
    input desaddr;
    integer desaddr;
    input des0;
    integer des0;
    input des1;
    integer des1;
    input des2;
    integer des2;
    input des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, *desaddr* is the starting address of the descriptor, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the receive descriptor.

**Task u2\_write\_rx\_descriptor**

The task *u2\_write\_rx\_descriptor* writes a receive descriptor into shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
task u2_write_rx_descriptor;
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;
    input desaddr;
    integer desaddr;
    input des0;
    integer des0;
    input des1;
    integer des1;
    input des2;
    integer des2;
    input des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, *desaddr* is the starting address of the descriptor, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the receive descriptor.

**Task u1\_read\_rx\_descriptor**

The task *u1\_read\_rx\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor from shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
task u1_read_rx_descriptor;
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;
    input desaddr;
    integer desaddr;
    output des0;
    integer des0;
    output des1;
    integer des1;
    output des2;
    integer des2;
    output des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, *desaddr* is the starting address of the descriptor, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the descriptor.

**Task u2\_read\_rx\_descriptor**

The task *u2\_read\_rx\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor from shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench. It is defined below:

```
task u2_read_rx_descriptor;
    input [STRINGSIZE-1 : 0] marks;
    input desaddr;
    integer desaddr;
    output des0;
    integer des0;
    output des1;
    integer des1;
    output des2;
    integer des2;
    output des3;
    integer des3;
```

The string *marks* is displayed at the beginning of the information, *desaddr* is the starting address of the descriptor, and *des0*, *des1*, *des2*, and *des3* are the four 32-bit words of the descriptor.

**Task *u1\_read\_check\_descriptor***

The task *u1\_read\_check\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor from shared RAM unit 1, issued from the testbench and checked against a sequence of data starting from 0 and incrementing at a step size of 1. It is defined below:

```
task u1_read_check_rx_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
```

The variable *ra* is the starting address, and *count* is the total number of bytes of the checked data.

**Task *u2\_read\_check\_descriptor***

The task *u2\_read\_check\_descriptor* reads a receive descriptor from shared RAM unit 2, issued from the testbench and checked against a sequence of data starting from 0 and incrementing at a step size of 1. It is defined below:

```
task u2_read_check_rx_data;
    input count;
    integer count;
    input ra;
    integer ra;
```

The variable *ra* is the starting address, and *count* is the total number of bytes of the checked data.

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# Verification Testbench Tests Description

## Backoff/Deferring Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test compatibility with the IEEE 802.3 standard for CSMA/CD.

Table B-1 · Backoff/Deferring Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	1 collision	bd1
2	2 collisions	bd2
3	3 collisions	bd3
4	15 collisions	bd4
5	16 collisions	bd5
6	Late collision	bd6
7	Normal and late collisions	bd7
8	Collision during preamble	bd8
9	Collision during sfd	bd9
10	Collision during crc	bd10
11	Deferring	bd11

## Transmit FIFO Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test transmit FIFO operation.

Table B-2 · Transmit FIFO Operation Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name	Limitations/Comments
1	Long frame transmission	tfifo1	Frame 1 : size = 8,192 Frame 2 : size = 8,191 Frame 3 : size = 8,194
2	Long frame transmission	tfifo2	Frame 1 : size = 2,047 Frame 2 : size = 2,047 Frame 3 : size = 2,047 Frame 4 : size = 2,047
3	Long frame transmission	tfifo3	Frame 1 : size = 8,192 Frame 2 : size = 8,192 Frame 3 : size = 8,192 Frame 4 : size = 8,192 Frame 5 : size = 8,192
4	Threshold levels: TR = 1, TTM = 0	tfifo4	Frame 1 : size = 2,047 Frame 2 : size = 2,047 Frame 3 : size = 2,047 Frame 4 : size = 2,047
5	Threshold levels: TR = 2, TTM = 0	tfifo5	As above
6	Threshold levels: TR = 3, TTM = 0	tfifo6	As above
7	Threshold levels: TR = 0, TTM = 1	tfifo7	As above
8	Threshold levels: TR = 1, TTM = 1	tfifo8	As above
9	Threshold levels: TR = 2, TTM = 1	tfifo9	As above
10	Threshold levels: TR = 3, TTM = 1	tfifo10	As above
11	Threshold levels: TR = 0, TTM = 0, SF = 1	tfifo11	As above
12	Underflow condition	tfifo12	Frame 1 : size = 2,047 Frame 2 : size = 2,047 Frame 3 : size = 2,047 Frame 4 : size = 2,047 Frame 5 : size = 2,047

## Transmit Linked List State Machine Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test the transmit linked list state machine, which is part of the MAC Descriptor/Buffer architecture.

Table B-3 · Transmit Linked List State Machine Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '000', for buf1	tlsm1
2	1 buffer, various address alignments for size (2..0) = '000', for buf1	tlsm2
3	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '000', for buf2	tlsm3
4	1 buffer, various address alignments for size (2..0) = '000', for buf2	tlsm4
5	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '001', for buf1	tlsm5
6	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '010', for buf1	tlsm6
7	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '011', for buf1	tlsm7
8	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '100', for buf1	tlsm8
9	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '101', for buf1	tlsm9
10	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '110', for buf1	tlsm10
11	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '111', for buf1	tlsm11
12	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '001', for buf2	tlsm12
13	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '010', for buf2	tlsm13
14	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '011', for buf2	tlsm14
15	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '100', for buf2	tlsm15
16	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '101', for buf2	tlsm16
17	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '110', for buf2	tlsm17
18	1 buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '111', for buf2	tlsm18
19	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '000'	tlsm19
20	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '001'	tlsm20
21	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '010'	tlsm21
22	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '011'	tlsm22
23	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '100'	tlsm23
24	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '101'	tlsm24
25	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '110'	tlsm25
26	2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '111'	tlsm26
27	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '000'	tlsm27
28	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '001'	tlsm28
29	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '010'	tlsm29

Table B-3 · Transmit Linked List State Machine Tests Summary (continued)

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
30	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '011'	tlsm30
31	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '100'	tlsm31
32	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '101'	tlsm32
33	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '110'	tlsm33
34	2 descriptors / 2 buffers, various buffer 1 sizes for buffer 2 address (2..0) = '111'	tlsm34
35	2 descriptors / 3 buffers per frame	tlsm35
36	2 descriptors / 4 buffers per frame	tlsm36
37	3 descriptors per frame	tlsm37
38	7 descriptors per frame	tlsm38
39	7 descriptors per frame, chain mode	tlsm39
40	Empty descriptors	tlsm40

## Transmit Interrupt Mitigation Control Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test transmit interrupt mitigation control.

Table B-4 · Transmit Interrupt Mitigation Control Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	TT = 1, NRP = 0, CC = 1	tim1
2	TT = 1, NRP = 7, CC = 1	tim2
3	TT = 0, NRP = 7, CC = 1	tim3
4	TT = 1, NRP = 7, CC = 1, IC = 1	tim4
5	TT = 2, NRP = 0, CC = 1	tim5
6	TT = 3, NRP = 0, CC = 1	tim6
7	TT = 14, NRP = 0, CC = 1	tim7
8	TT = 15, NRP = 0, CC = 1	tim8
9	TT = 2, NRP = 0, CC = 0	tim9
10	TT = 3, NRP = 0, CC = 0	tim10
11	TT = 0, NRP = 1, CC = 1	tim11
12	TT = 0, NRP = 2, CC = 1	tim12
13	TT = 0, NRP = 3, CC = 1	tim13
14	TT = 0, NRP = 4, CC = 1	tim14

## Receive Operation Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test receive operation.

Table B-5 · Receive Operation Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	Ethernet frame with 1,517 bytes	rc1
2	Ethernet frame with 1,519 bytes	rc2
3	802.3 frame with 1,517 bytes	rc3
4	802.3 frame with 1,519 bytes	rc4
5	Frame with 8,193 bytes	rc5
6	Pass bad frame mode – frame with 63 bytes	rc6
7	Frame with CRC error	rc7
8	Frame with data alignment error	rc8
9	Frame with MII error	rc9
10	Receiving in the suspended/stopped state	rc10

## Receive Address Filtering Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test receive address filtering.

Table B-6 · Receive Address Filtering Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	Perfect filtering	raf1
2	Perfect filtering – filtering fail	raf2
3	Inverse perfect filtering	raf3
4	Hash filtering	raf4
5	Hash-only filtering	raf5
6	Receive all mode	raf6
7	Promiscuous mode	raf7
8	Pass all multicast mode	raf8
9	Address filtering	raf9

## Receive FIFO Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test receive FIFO operation.

Table B-7 · Receive FIFO Operation Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name	Limitations/Comments
1	Various frame sizes	rfifo1	Frame 1 : size = 68 Frame 2 : size = 69 Frame 3 : size = 70 Frame 4 : size = 71 Frame 5 : size = 72 Frame 6 : size = 73 Frame 7 : size = 74 Frame 8 : size = 75
2	Various frame sizes	rfifo2	Frame 1 : size = 1,516 Frame 2 : size = 1,517 Frame 3 : size = 1,518 Frame 4 : size = 1,519 Frame 5 : size = 1,520 Frame 6 : size = 1,521 Frame 7 : size = 1,522 Frame 8 : size = 1,523
3	Various frame sizes	rfifo3	Frame 1 : size = 2,044 Frame 2 : size = 2,045 Frame 3 : size = 2,046 Frame 4 : size = 2,047 Frame 5 : size = 2,048 Frame 6 : size = 2,049 Frame 7 : size = 2,050 Frame 8 : size = 2,051
4	Various frame sizes	rfifo4	Frame 1 : size = 8,190 Frame 2 : size = 8,191 Frame 3 : size = 8,192 Frame 4 : size = 8,193 Frame 5 : size = 8,194 Frame 6 : size = 8,195 Frame 7 : size = 8,196 Frame 8 : size = 8,197

Table B-7 · Receive FIFO Operation Tests Summary (continued)

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name	Limitations/Comments
5	Various frame sizes	rfifo5	Frame 1 : size = 2,048 Frame 2 : size = 2,048 Frame 3 : size = 2,048 Frame 4 : size = 2,048 Frame 5 : size = 2,048 Frame 6 : size = 2,048 Frame 7 : size = 2,048 Frame 8 : size = 2,048
6	Overflow condition	rfifo6	Frame 1 : size = 8,190 Frame 2 : size = 8,190 Frame 3 : size = 8,190 Frame 4 : size = 8,190 Frame 5 : size = 8,190

## Receive Linked List State Machine Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test the receive linked list state machine, which is part of the MAC Descriptor/Buffer architecture.

Table B-8 · Receive Linked List State Machine Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	Single buffer, various frame sizes for address (2..0) = '111', for buf2	rlsm1
2	2 buffers per frame	rlsm2
3	2 descriptors / 2 buffers per frame	rlsm3
4	2 descriptors / 3 buffers per frame	rlsm4
5	2 descriptors / 4 buffers per frame	rlsm5
6	3 descriptors per frame	rlsm6
7	7 descriptors per frame	rlsm7
8	7 descriptors per frame, chain mode	rlsm8
9	Empty descriptors	rlsm 9
10	Descriptors unavailable	rlsm10

## Receive Interrupt Mitigation Control Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test receive interrupt mitigation control.

Table B-9 · Receive Interrupt Mitigation Control Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	RT = 3, NRP = 0, CC = 1	rim1
2	RT = 4, NRP = 7, CC = 1	rim2
3	RT = 0, NRP = 7, CC = 1	rim3
4	RT = 4, NRP = 0, CC = 1	rim4
5	RT = 5, NRP = 0, CC = 1	rim5
6	RT = 14, NRP = 0, CC = 1	rim6
7	RT = 15, NRP = 0, CC = 1	rim7
8	RT = 2, NRP = 0, CC = 0	rim8
9	RT = 3, NRP = 0, CC = 0	rim9
10	RT = 0, NRP = 1, CC = 0	rim10
11	RT = 0, NRP = 2, CC = 0	rim11
12	RT = 0, NRP = 3, CC = 0	rim12

## Interrupt Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test interrupts.

Table B-10 · Interrupt Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	Early receive interrupt	int1
2	Receive interrupt	int2
3	Receive buffer unavailable interrupt	int3
4	Receive process stopped interrupt	int4
5	Early transmit interrupt	int5
6	Transmit interrupt	int6
7	Transmit buffer unavailable interrupt	int7
8	Transmit process stopped interrupt	int8

## General-Purpose Timer Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test the general-purpose timer.

Table B-11 · General Purpose Timer Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	TIM = 65535, CON = 0	gpt1
2	TIM = 1024, CON = 0	gpt2
3	TIM = 1023, CON = 0	gpt3
4	TIM = 1022, CON = 0	gpt4
5	TIM = 3, CON = 0	gpt5
6	TIM = 2, CON = 0	gpt6
7	TIM = 1, CON = 0	gpt7
8	TIM = 65535, CON = 1	gpt8
9	TIM = 1024, CON = 1	gpt9
10	TIM = 1023, CON = 1	gpt10
11	TIM = 1022, CON = 1	gpt11
12	TIM = 3, CON = 1	gpt12
13	TIM = 2, CON = 1	gpt13
14	TIM = 1, CON = 1	gpt14

## DMA Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test the DMA operation.

Table B-12 · DMA Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name
1	Burst length = 0, arbitration mode 1	dma1
2	Burst length = 1, arbitration mode 1	dma2
3	Burst length = 2, arbitration mode 1	dma3
4	Burst length = 4, arbitration mode 1	dma4
5	Burst length = 8, arbitration mode 1	dma5
6	Burst length = 16, arbitration mode 1	dma6
7	Burst length = 32, arbitration mode 1	dma7
8	Burst length = 0, arbitration mode 2	dma8
9	Burst length = 1, arbitration mode 2	dma9
10	Burst length = 2, arbitration mode 2	dma10
11	Burst length = 4, arbitration mode 2	dma11
12	Burst length = 8, arbitration mode 2	dma12
13	Burst length = 16, arbitration mode 2	dma13
14	Burst length = 32, arbitration mode 2	dma14
15	Big-endian mode for descriptors	dma15
16	Big-endian mode for buffers	dma16
17	Big-endian mode for descriptors/buffers	dma17
18	Wait cycles for burst length = 0	dma18
19	Wait cycles for burst length = 1	dma19

## Miscellaneous Tests

Tests in this group are prepared to test functionality not covered by functional tests.

Table B-13 · Miscellaneous Tests Summary

No.	Purpose/Conditions	Test Name	Limitations/ Comments
1	Transmission with clkdma, clkcsr = clkmi / 10	misc1	
2	Transmission with clkdma, clkcsr = 10 × clkmi	misc2	
3	Transmission with clkdma = clkmi = 10 × clkcsr	misc3	
4	Transmission with clkdma = clkmi = clkcsr / 10	misc4	
5	Receiving with clkdma, clkcsr = clkmi / 10	misc5	
6	Receiving with clkdma, clkcsr = 10 × clkmi	misc6	
7	Receiving with clkdma = clkmi = 10 × clkcsr	misc7	
8	Receiving with clkdma = clkmi = clkcsr / 10	misc8	
9	Simultaneous transmission/receiving with clkdma, clkcsr = clkmi / 10	misc9	
10	Simultaneous transmission/receiving with clkdma, clkcsr = 10 × clkmi	misc10	
11	Simultaneous transmission/receiving with clkdma = clkmi = 10 × clkcsr	misc11	
12	Simultaneous transmission/receiving with clkdma = clkmi = clkcsr / 10	misc12	

# Transmit and Receive Functional Timing Examples

## Transmit Examples

### Transmit Overview

A typical Core10/100 transmit is shown in [Figure C-1](#).

1. Host sends the transmit command and Core10/100 enters the transmit process.
2. Core10/100 starts to request the descriptors.
3. Core10/100 starts to request frame data and write them into the transmit FIFO.
4. Core10/100 starts to transmit a frame on the MII interface.

A typical transmit undergoes these four processes.

In this chapter, more detailed dataflow diagrams are provided to illustrate the timing information for the above four processes.

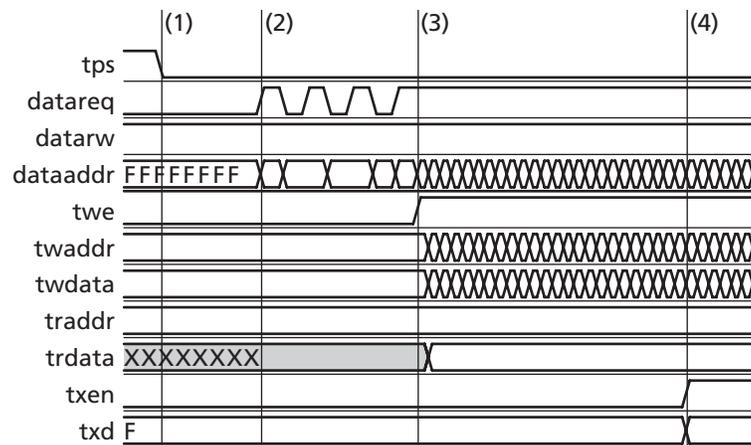


Figure C-1 · A Typical Transmit Dataflow

### Core10/100 Enters Transmit Process

The block CSR performs this operation.

1. Host sets the CSR register CSR6.13 ST to start transmit.
2. The tps signal goes LOW after one clkcsr cycle, which indicates that Core10/100 enters the transmit process.

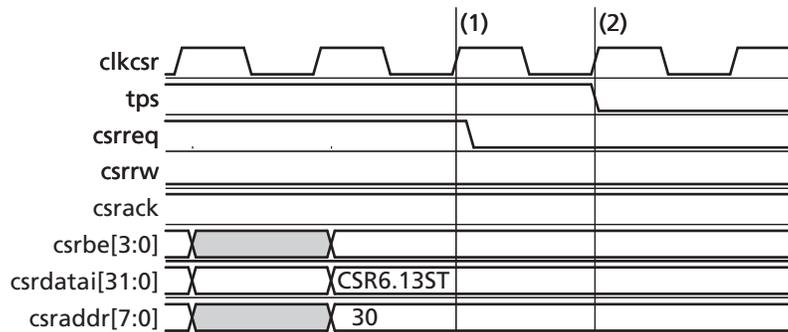


Figure C-2 · Enters Transmit Process

### Core10/100 Starts to Request Transmit Descriptors

Figure C-3 illustrates operations between tps going LOW and a transmit descriptor start.

1. Host sends the transmit start command.
2. Core10/100 starts to fetch the first descriptor.

**Note:**  $t_0 = 4 \times \text{clkdma period} + 3 \times \text{clkcsr period} + z$ .

Where  $z$  is  $2 \times \text{clkdma period}$  if  $\text{clkdma period}$  is greater than  $\text{clkcsr period}$ , or  $z$  is  $2 \times \text{clkcsr period}$  if  $\text{clkcsr period}$  is greater than  $\text{clkdma period}$ . Delay  $z$  is the result of handshaking between CSR clock domain and other domains in the design.

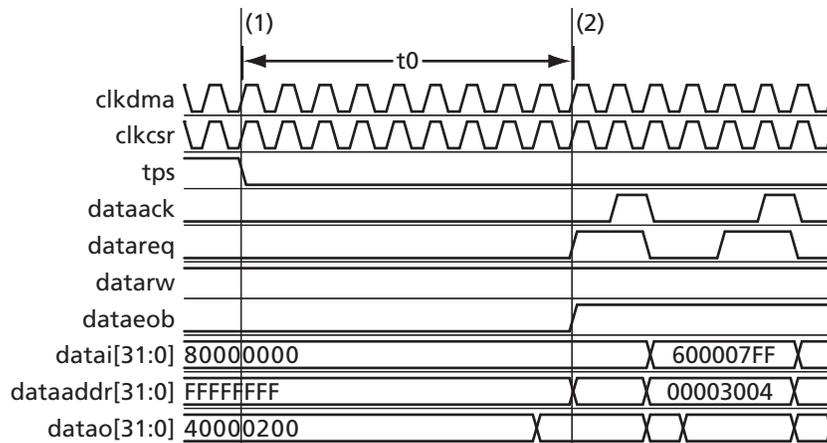


Figure C-3 · Core10/100 Starts Transmit Descriptor Requests

## Transmit Descriptor and Data Fetches

### Transmit Descriptor Fetch in 32-Bit Mode

1. Read the first 32-bit word of transmit descriptor.
2. Read the second 32-bit word of transmit descriptor.
3. Read the third 32-bit word of transmit descriptor.
4. Read the first 32-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.
5. Read the second 32-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.

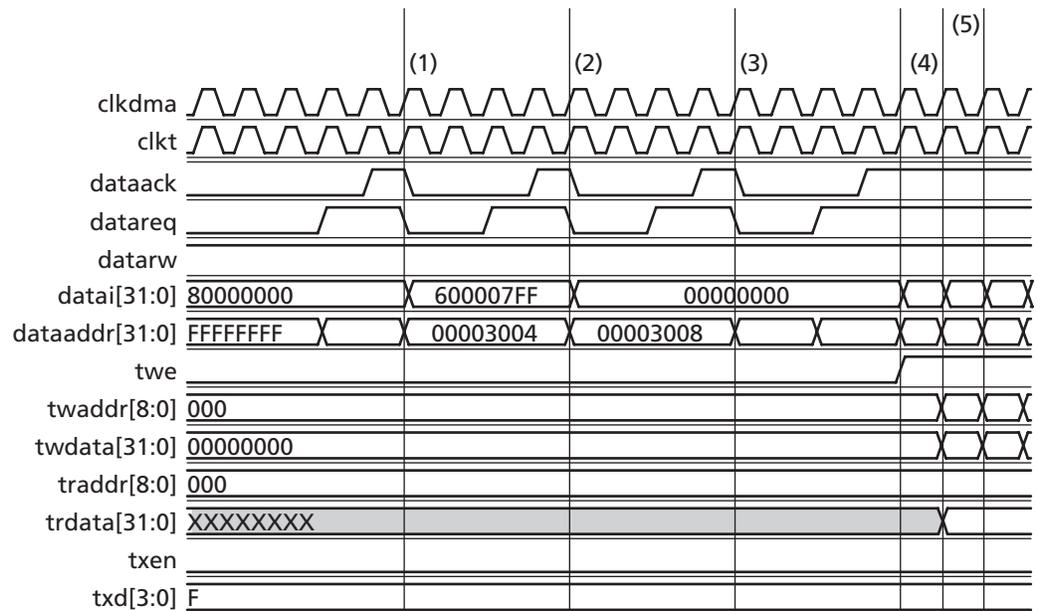


Figure C-4 · Transmit Descriptor Fetch in 32-Bit Mode

**Note:** An extra cycle is inserted between any two descriptor fetches.

### Transmit Descriptor and Data Fetch in 16-Bit Mode

1. Read the first 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
2. Read the second 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
3. Read the third 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
4. Read the fourth 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
5. Read the fifth 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
6. Read the sixth 16-bit word of transmit descriptor.
7. Read the first 16-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.
8. Read the second 16-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.
9. Read the third 16-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.
10. Read the fourth 16-bit data fetch and write into transmit FIFO.

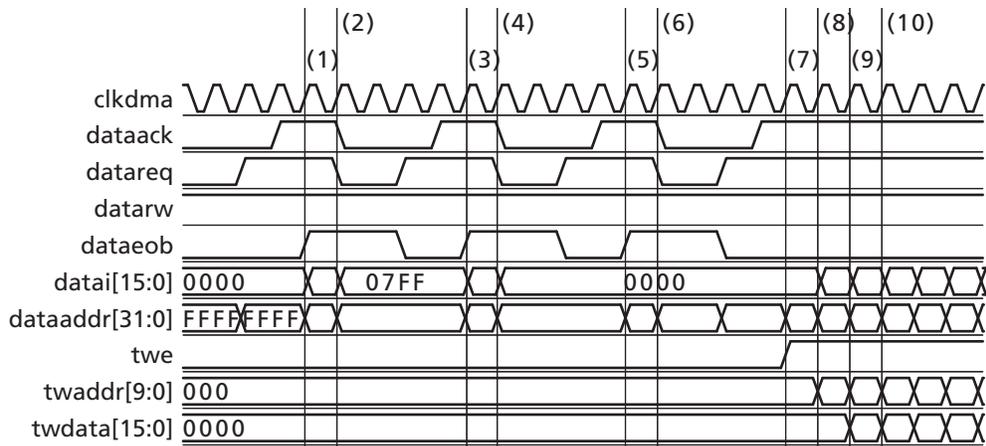


Figure C-5 · Transmit Descriptor Fetch in 16-Bit Mode

**Transmit Descriptor and Data Fetch in 8-Bit Mode**

1. Four reads of the first to fourth 8-bit words of the transmit descriptor.
2. Four reads of the fifth to eighth 8-bit words of the transmit descriptor.
3. Four reads of the ninth to twelfth 8-bit words of the transmit descriptor.
4. Read the first 8-bit data fetch and write into the transmit FIFO.
5. Read the second 8-bit data fetch and write into the transmit FIFO.
6. Read the third 8-bit data fetch and write into the transmit FIFO.
7. Read the fourth 8-bit data fetch and write into the transmit FIFO.

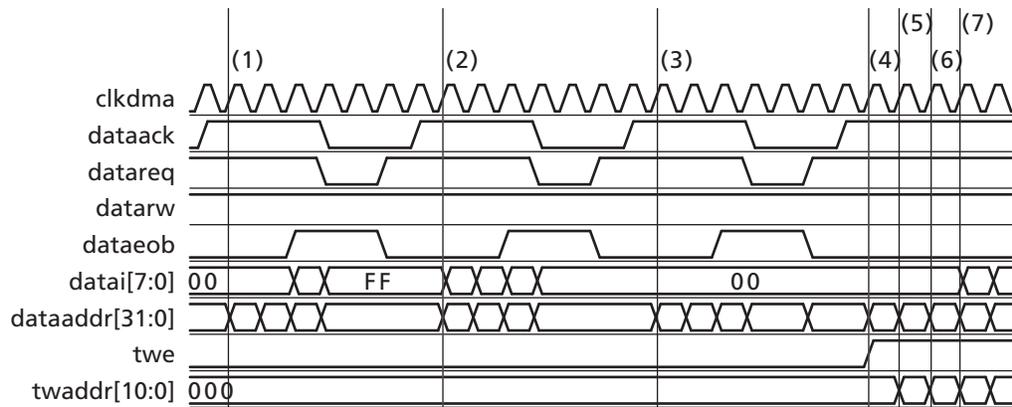


Figure C-6 · Transmit Descriptor Fetch in 8-Bit Mode

## Core10/100 Starts to Transmit on MII

1. Core10/100 starts to write to the Transmit Data RAM.
2. Core10/100 reaches the transmit FIFO level (see the table entitled “Transmit Descriptor List Base Address Register (CSR4)” in the *Core10/100* datasheet). Figure C-7 on page 109 shows that the transmit FIFO threshold is set at 64 bytes, with sixteen 32-bit word writes.
3. Transmit starts on MII.

**Note:**  $t_0 = \text{clkdma period} \times \text{FIFO threshold level} / \text{DATAWIDTH} \times 8$  or  
 $t_0 = \text{clkdma period} \times \text{frame size} / \text{DATAWIDTH} \times 8$  in store and forward mode, and  
 $t_1 = 3 \times \text{clkdma period} + 5 \times \text{clkt period}$ .

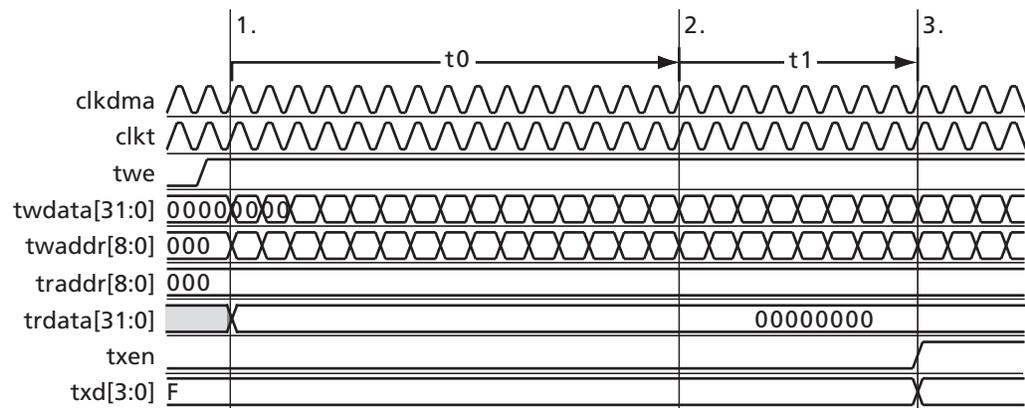


Figure C-7 · Transmit FIFO Threshold and Start of Transmit on MII

## Transmit on MII

1. Core10/100 starts to transmit the preamble and SFD.
2. Core10/100 sends the read address to the External Transmit Data RAM.
3. Core10/100 reads the first 32 bits of data.
4. Core10/100 starts to transmit the data

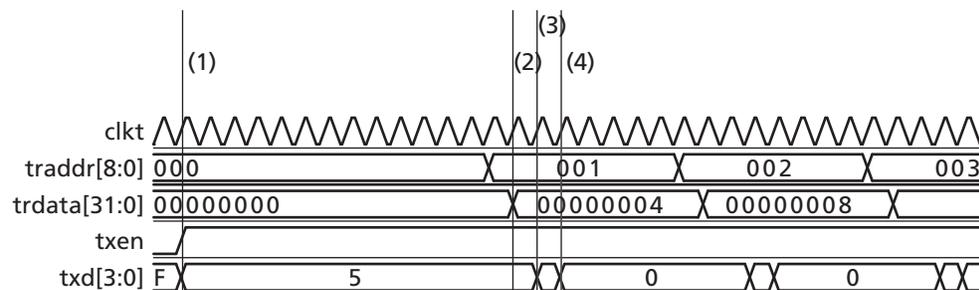


Figure C-8 · Transmit on MII

**Transmit on MII with 32-Bit Transmit Data RAM**

(1), (2) Core10/100 sends out requested read addresses.  $t_0$  is eight cycles.

(3), (4)  $t_1$  is the time between Core10/100 sending out a read address request and the appearance of the requested data on MII.

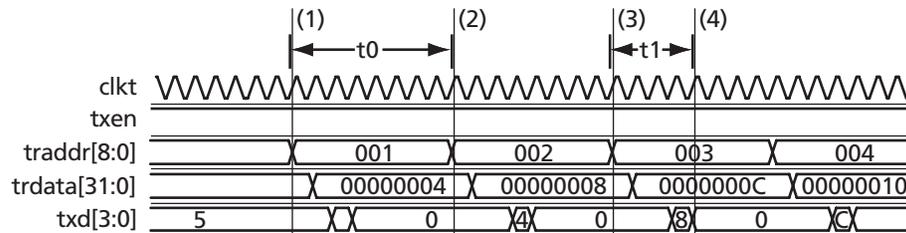


Figure C-9 · Transmit on MII with 32-Bit Transmit Data RAM

**Transmit on MII with 16-Bit Transmit Data RAM**

(1), (2) Core10/100 sends out requested read addresses.  $t_0$  is four cycles.

(3), (4)  $t_1$  is the time between Core10/100 sending out a read address request and the appearance of the requested data on MII.

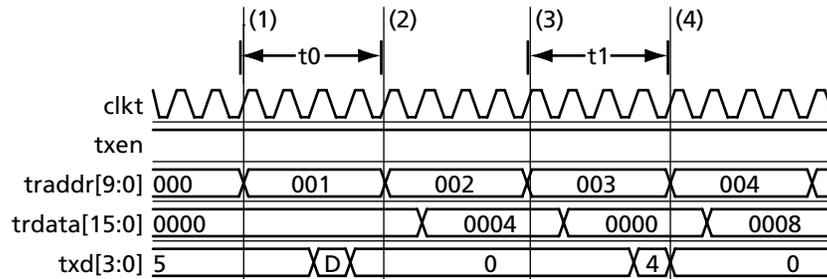


Figure C-10 · Transmit on MII with 16-Bit Transmit Data RAM

**Transmit on MII with 8-Bit Transmit Data RAM**

(1), (2) Core10/100 sends out requested read addresses.  $t_0$  is two cycles.

(3), (4)  $t_1$  is the time between Core10/100 sending out a read address request and the appearance of the requested data on MII.

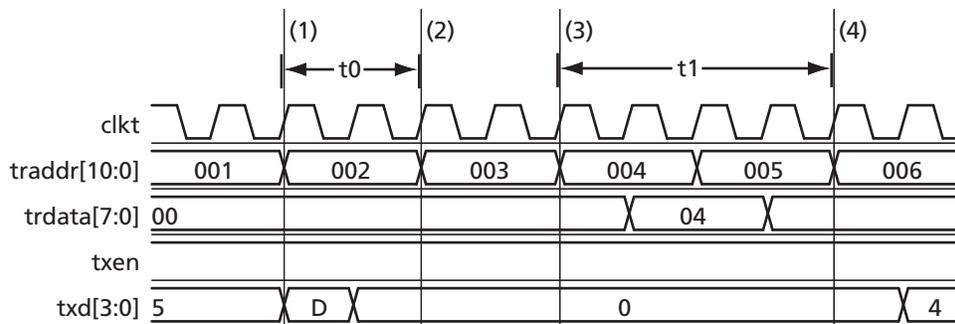


Figure C-11 · Transmit on MII with 8-Bit Transmit Data RAM

## Receive Examples

### Receive Dataflow Overview

Core10/100 receives Ethernet data from the MII interface, and the Receive Controller writes the received data into the Receive Data RAM. The RFIFO Controller for Core10/100 starts to transfer received data from the Receive Data RAM to the shared memory via the DMA unit when the data in the Receive Data RAM exceeds 64 bytes. [Figure C-12 on page 111](#) illustrates the received data travelling through different Core10/100 interfaces. A typical receive consists of the following steps (as shown in [Figure C-12 on page 111](#)):

1. Core10/100 starts to receive the preamble and SFD.
2. Core10/100 starts to write the receive data to the Receive Data RAM.
3. Core10/100 writes the 64th byte of the received data to the receive FIFO.
4. Core10/100 starts to transfer received data from the Received Data RAM to the shared RAM.

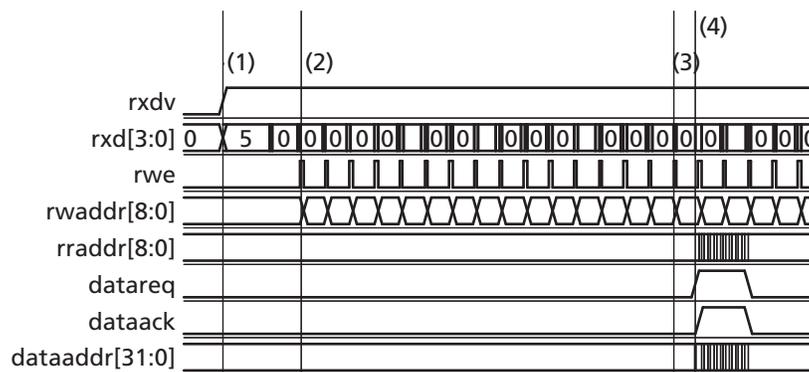


Figure C-12 · A Typical Receive Example

## Core10/100 Receives and Writes Receive Data RAM

### Core10/100 Receives and Writes 32-Bit Receive Data RAM

1. Core10/100 starts to receive the preamble.
2. Core10/100 starts to receive the packet.
3. Core10/100 starts to write the first 32-bit word into the receive FIFO.
4. Core10/100 starts to write the second 32-bit word into the receive FIFO.

Note:  $t_0 = 16 \times \text{clkr period}$ ,  $t_1 = 8 \times \text{clkr period}$ .

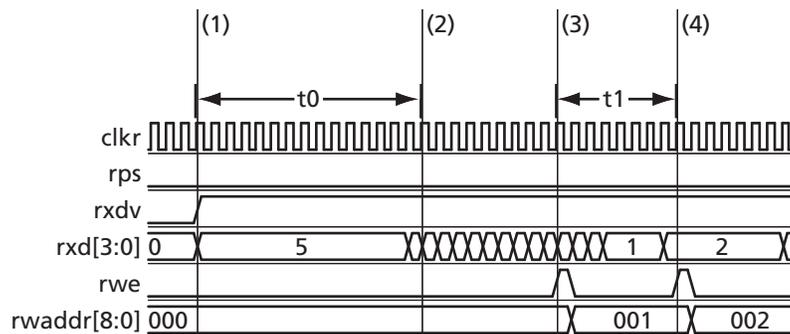


Figure C-13 · Core10/100 Receives and Writes Receive Data RAM

### Core10/100 Receives and Writes 16-Bit Receive Data RAM

1. Core10/100 starts to receive the preamble.
2. Core10/100 starts to receive the packet.
3. Core10/100 starts to write the first 16-bit word into the receive FIFO.
4. Core10/100 starts to write the second 16-bit word into the receive FIFO.

Note:  $t_0 = 16 \times \text{clkr period}$ ,  $t_1 = 4 \times \text{clkr period}$

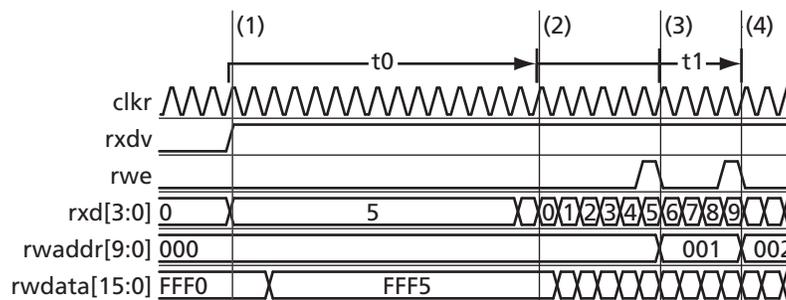


Figure C-14 · Core10/100 Receives and Writes 16-Bit Receive Data RAM

### Core10/100 Receives and Writes 8-Bit Receive Data RAM

1. Core10/100 starts to receive the preamble.
2. Core10/100 starts to receive the packet.
3. Core10/100 starts to write the first 8-bit word into the receive FIFO.
4. Core10/100 starts to write the second 8-bit word into the receive FIFO.

Note:  $t_0 = 16 \times \text{clkr period}$ ,  $t_1 = 2 \times \text{clkr period}$ .

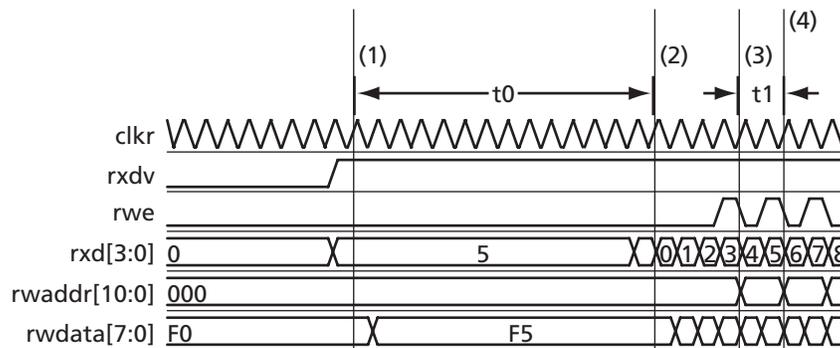


Figure C-15 · Core10/100 Receives and Writes 8-Bit Receive Data RAM

## Transfer Receive Data to Shared Memory

### 32-Bit Word Transfer from Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

1. Core10/100 writes the 64th byte of the frame into the Receive Data RAM.
2. Core10/100 starts to send the data request to transfer received data into the shared memory.
3. The first 32-bit word is written into the shared memory via the data interface.
4. The 64th byte of the frame is written into the shared memory.

Note:  $t_0 = 6 \times \text{clkdma period}$ .

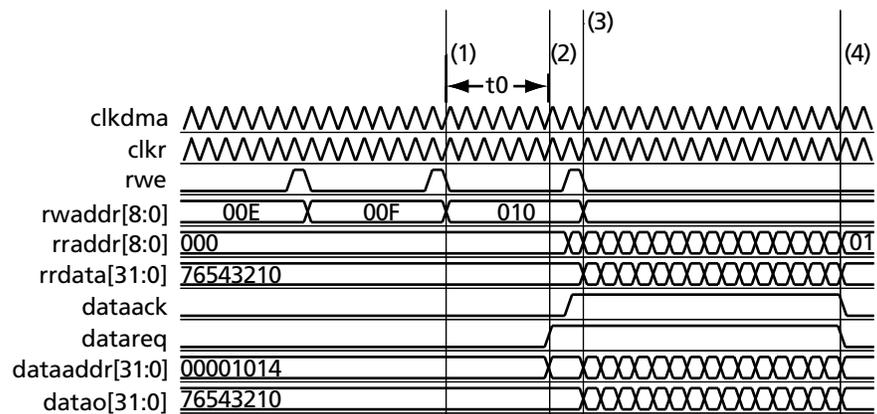


Figure C-16 · 32-Bit Word Transfer From Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

### 16-Bit Word Transfer from Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

1. Core10/100 writes the 64th byte of the frame into the Receive Data RAM.
2. Core10/100 starts to send the data request to transfer received data into the shared memory.
3. The first 32-bit word is written into the shared memory via the data interface.
4. The 64th byte of the frame is written into the shared memory.

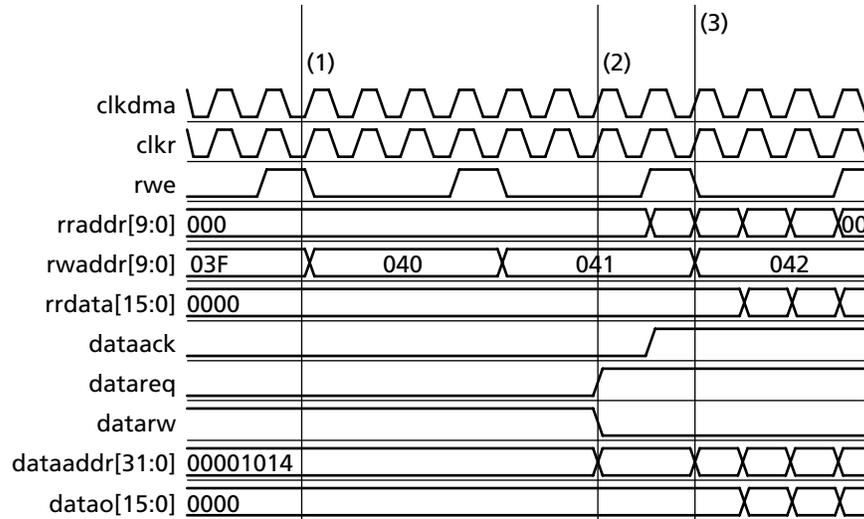


Figure C-17 · 16-Bit Word Transfer from Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

### 8-Bit Word Transfer from Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

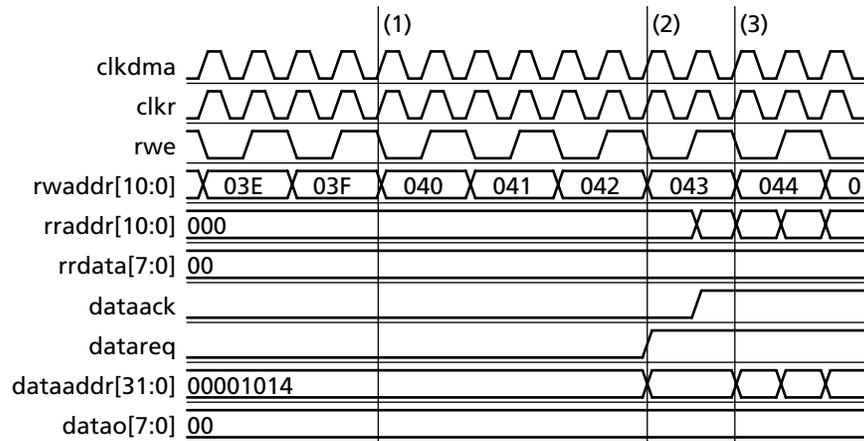


Figure C-18 · 8-Bit Word Transfer from Receive Data RAM to Shared Memory

### Core10/100 Receive Descriptor Fetch

The receive descriptor fetch timing is essentially the same as the transmit descriptor fetch timing. In reality, transmit descriptor fetches and receive descriptor fetches can happen mixed or alternately through the DMA interface. Refer to [Figure C-4 on page 107](#), [Figure C-5 on page 108](#), and [Figure C-6 on page 108](#).

## List of Document Changes

The following table lists critical changes that were made in the current version of the document.

Previous Version	Changes in Current Version (v2.2)	Page
v2.1	Core version changed from v3.1 to v3.2.	6
	The “RC – Receive Controller” section was updated to remove the words “using an external address RAM” from the sentence about internal address filtering.	14
	Table 3-1 · Core 10/100 Parameters and Table 3-2 · Core10/100_AHBAPB Parameters were updated for the ADDRFILTER description.	19, 20
	In Table 4-1 · CSR Locations, the reset value for CSR9 was updated. A table note was added.	27
	A paragraph was added to the function description for the CSR0.0 bit in Table 4-3.	28
	Table 4-23 · MII Management and Serial ROM Interface Register (CSR9) was updated to add one column.	38
	Table 4-24 · MII Management and Serial ROM Register Bit Functions was updated to change the symbol for bit CSR9.18 to MDEN. An explanatory sentence was added to the function.	38
	Figure 4-1 · External Tristate Buffer Connections and the text preceding it were updated to indicate an active low enable with the tristate buffer.	39
	The “Receive Address Filtering” section was updated to add a sentence at the end describing how to enable the functionality discussed.	62
v2.0	Added version number to cover page.	Title
	Added the “Core Versions” section.	6
	Added the IGLOO/e family to Table 1, Table 2, Table 3, Table 4, Table 5, and Table 6.	7–8
	Added the IGLOO/e family to the “Memory Requirements” section.	9
	Changed the Reset Value for CSR1 and CSR2 in Table 4-1.	27
	Changed the left-hand column of Table 4-27 to RDES0–3.	43
	Changed the left-hand column of Table 4-32 to TDES0–3.	46
	Changed the datar signal to “datarw” in Figure 5-2 and Figure 5-3.	66



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