

DP83906 AT/LANTIC™ II-CX

General Description

The DP83906 is a CMOS VLSI device designed for easy implementation of CSMA/CD local area networks.

The DP83906 integrates the entire bus interface for PC-AT® ISA (Industry Standard Architecture) bus based systems. Hardware and software selectable options allow the DP83906's bus interface to be configured in the same manner as an NE2000 Architecture. All bus drivers and control logic are integrated to reduce board cost and area.

Supported network interfaces are 10BASE5 or 10BASE2 Ethernet® via an external transceiver connected to its AUI port. The DP83906 provides the Ethernet Media Access Control (MAC), Encode-Decode (ENDEC) with an AUI interface.

The integrated ENDEC module allows Manchester encoding and decoding via a differential transceiver and phase lock loop decoder at 10 Mbit/sec. Also included are a collision detect translator and diagnostic loopback capability.

The ENDEC module interfaces directly to the transceiver module, and also provides a fully IEEE compliant AUI (Attachment Unit Interface) for connection to other media transceivers.

The Media Access Control function which is provided by the Network Interface Control module (NIC) provides simple and efficient packet transmission and reception control by means of off-board memory which can be accessed through an I/O port.

Due to the inherent constraints of CMOS processing, isolation is required at the AUI differential signal interface for 10BASE5 and 10BASE2 applications.

Features

- Controller and integrated bus interface solution for IEEE 802.3 10BASE5 and 10BASE2
- Software compatible with industry standard Ethernet Adapter: Novell's NE2000
- No external bus logic or drivers needed
- Provides EEPROM interface for non-volatile storage of configuration data, user-defined data and Ethernet Physical Address
- Integrated controller, ENDEC, and transceiver
- Full IEEE 802.3 compliant AUI interface
- Single 5V supply

ENDEC MODULE:

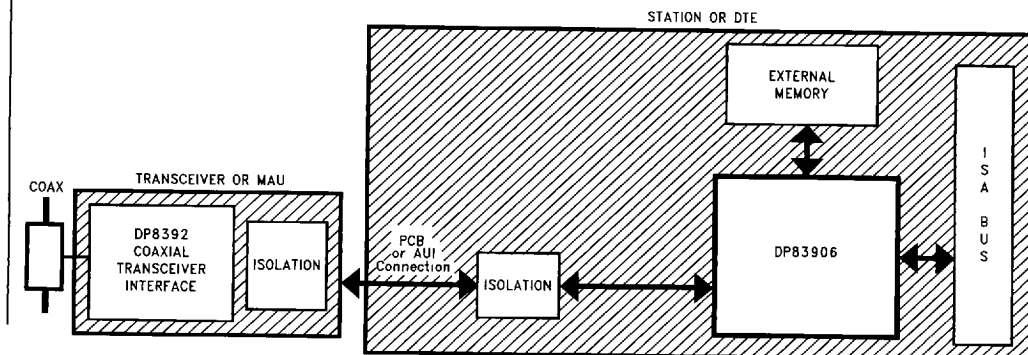
- 10 Mbit/s Manchester encoding/decoding
- Squelch on receive and collision pairs

MAC/CONTROLLER MODULE:

- Software compatible with DP8390, DP83901, DP83902
- Efficient buffer management implementation

IN-CIRCUIT TEST

1.0 System Diagram



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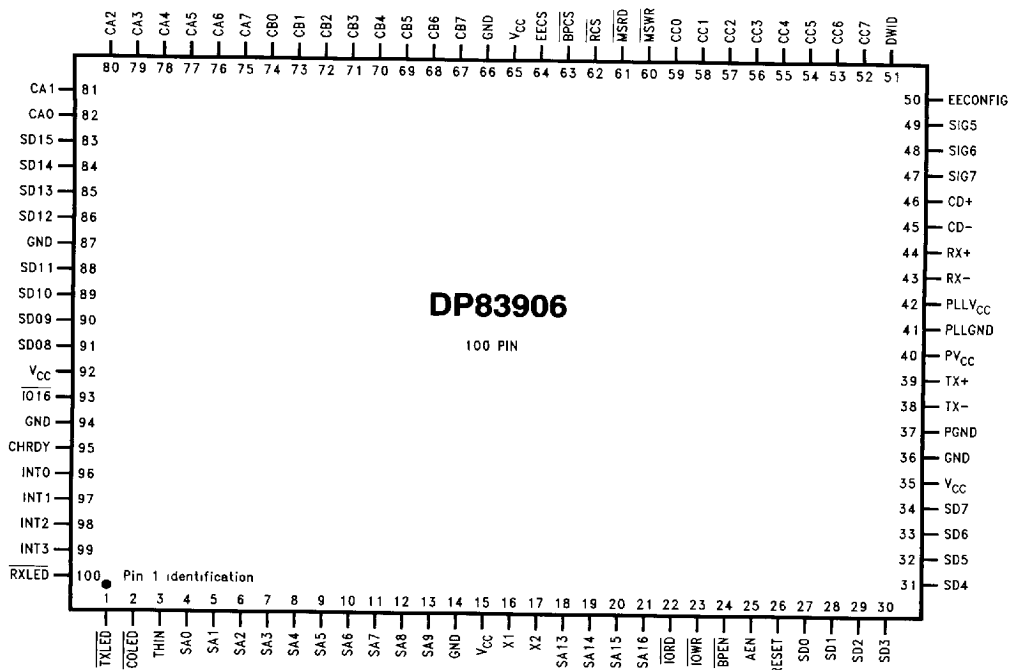
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1.1 CONNECTION DIAGRAM



Order Number DP83906 VLJ
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2.0 Pin Description

Pin No.	Pin Name	Type (Note)	Description
ISA BUS INTERFACE PINS			
4-13	SA0-SA9	I TTL	LATCHED ADDRESS BUS: Low-order 10 bits of the system's latched 20-bit address bus. These bits are used to decode accesses to the DP83906's I/O map.
18-21	SA13-SA16	I TTL	LATCHED ADDRESS BUS: 4 bits of the system's latched 20-bit system address bus. These bits are used to decode accesses to the DP83906's boot PROM.
27-34, 91-88, 86-83	SD0-SD7, SD8-SD11, SD12-SD15	I/O 3ST	SYSTEM DATA BUS: 16-bit system data bus. Used to transfer data between the system and the DP83906.
93	$\overline{IO16}$	O OCH	16-BIT I/O TRANSFER: This signal indicates that the DP83906 is responding to a 16-bit I/O access by driving 16 bits of data on the bus.
23	\overline{IOWR}	I TTL	I/O WRITE STROBE: Strobe from system to write to the DP83906's I/O map.
22	\overline{IORD}	I TTL	I/O READ STROBE: Strobe from system to read from the DP83906's I/O map.
26	RESET	I TTL	RESET: This signal is output by the system to reset all devices on the bus.
95	CHRDY	O OCH	CHANNEL READY: This signal is used to insert wait states into system accesses.
25	AEN	I TTL	DMA ACTIVE: This signal indicates that the system's DMA controller has control of the bus.
96-99	INT0-3	O 3ST	INTERRUPT REQUEST: The operation of these outputs is determined by Configuration Register C. They can either be used to directly drive the interrupt lines or used as a coded output (see Section 3.6).
100, 1, 2	INT4-6 or \overline{RXLED} , \overline{TXLED} and \overline{COLED}	O 3ST LED	INTERRUPT REQUEST: INT4-6: The operation of these outputs is determined by Configuration Register C. They can either be used to directly drive the interrupt lines or as LED status outputs as detailed below (see Section 3.6). \overline{RXLED} : An open-drain active low output. Asserted for approximately 50 ms whenever receive data is detected. \overline{TXLED} : An open-drain active low output. Asserted for approximately 50 ms whenever the DP83906 transmits data. \overline{COLED} : An open-drain active low output. Asserted for approximately 50 ms whenever the DP83906 detects a collision or cable disconnect.

Note: Driver Types are: I = Input, O = Output, I/O = Bi-directional Output, OCH = Open Collector, 3ST = TRI-STATE Output, TTL = TTL Compatible, AUI = Attachment Unit Interface, TPI = Twisted Pair Interface, LED = LED Drive, MOS = CMOS Level Compatible, XTAL = Crystal.

2.0 Pin Description (Continued)

Pin No.	Pin Name	Type (Note)	Description
NETWORK INTERFACE PINS			
38, 39	TX – TX +	O AUI	AUI TRANSMIT OUTPUT: Differential driver which sends the encoded data to the transceiver. The outputs are source followers which require 270Ω pull-down resistors.
43, 44	RX – RX +	I AUI	AUI RECEIVE INPUT: Differential receive input pair from the transceiver.
45, 46	CD – CD +	I AUI	AUI COLLISION INPUT: Differential collision pair input from the transceiver.
16	X1 (OSCIN)	I XTAL	CRYSTAL OR EXTERNAL OSCILLATOR INPUT
4	THIN	O	THIN CABLE: When high used to enable the DC–DC converter, low to disable.
17	X2 (OSCOU)	O XTAL	CRYSTAL FEEDBACK OUTPUT: Used in crystal connections only. Should be left unconnected when using an oscillator module.
EXTERNAL MEMORY SUPPORT			
24	BPEN	I TTL	BOOT PROM STROBE: This input is used to indicate a possible boot PROM access to the DP83906. This input is the combination of the ISA bus SA17–19 address lines and SMRD signal (see Section 3.5).
82–75	MSD0–7 or CA0–7 or DO, DI, SK	I/O, I, O MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT DATA BUS—CONFIGURATION REGISTER A INPUT: EEPROM SIGNALS: MSD0–7: When RESET is inactive these pins are used to access external memory and boot PROM. CA0–7: When RESET is active Configuration Register A is loaded with the data value on these pins. If the user puts an external pull-up on any of these pins then the corresponding register bit is set to a 1. If the pin is left unconnected then the register bit is 0. DO, DI, SK: When RESET goes from an active to an inactive level DP83906 will read the contents of a serial EEPROM, using these signals, and load the contents into internal registers. These internal registers are mapped into the space taken up by the PROM in the NE2000 Architecture. After the EEPROM read operation has completed, these pins will revert to MSD0–2 (D0 = MSD0, DI = MSD1, SK = MSD2).
74–67	MSD8–15 or CB0–7	I/O, I MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT DATA BUS—CONFIGURATION REGISTER B INPUT: MSD8–15: When RESET is inactive these pins are used to access external memory. CB0–7: When RESET is active Configuration Register B is loaded with the data value on these pins. If the user puts an external pull-up on any of these pins then the corresponding register bit is set to a 1. If the pin is left unconnected then the register bit is 0.
59–52	MSA1–8 or CC0–7	O, I MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT ADDRESS BUS—CONFIGURATION REGISTER C INPUT: MSA1–8: When RESET is inactive these pins drive the memory support address bus. CC0–7: When RESET is active Configuration Register C is loaded with the data value on these pins. If the user puts an external pull-up on any of these pins then the corresponding register bit is set to a 1. If the pin is left unconnected then the register bit is 0.

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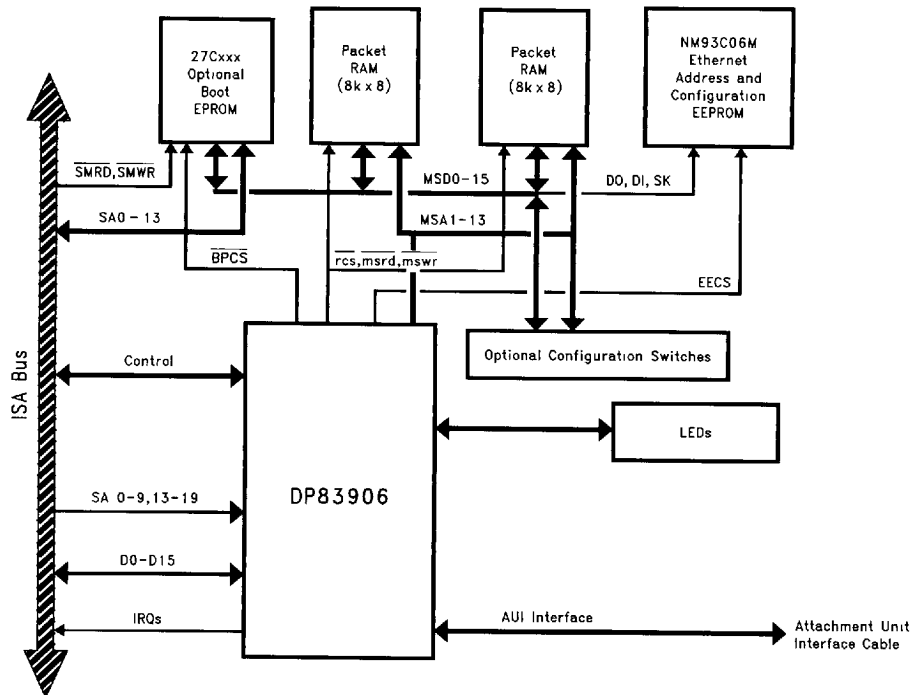
Pin No.	Pin Name	Type (Note)	Description
EXTERNAL MEMORY SUPPORT (Continued)			
51–47	MSA9–13 or DWID, EECONFIG and SIG5–7	O, I MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT ADDRESS BUS—DWID, EECNFIG AND SIGNATURE REGISTER: MSA9–13: When RESET is inactive these pins drive the memory support address bus. DWID: When RESET is active this input specifies whether the DP83906 is interfacing to an 8- or 16-bit ISA bus. If the user puts an external pull-up on this pin then the bus is considered to be 16-bit. If the pin is left unconnected then the bus is considered to be 8-bit. EECONFIG: When RESET is active this input specifies whether the DP83906 loads the configuration from an EEPROM or from the MSD0–15 and MSA1–8 pins. If the user puts an external pull-up on this pin then configuration data is loaded from the EEPROM. If the pin is left unconnected then configuration data is loaded from the memory support bus. SIG5–7: When RESET is active the most significant 3 bits of the signature register are loaded with the data value on these pins. If the user puts an external pull-up on any of these pins then the corresponding register bit is set to a 1. If the pin is left unconnected then the register bit is 0.
61	MSRD	O MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT BUS READ: Strokes data from the external RAM into the DP83906 via the memory support data bus.
60	MSWR	O MOS	MEMORY SUPPORT BUS WRITE: Strokes data from the DP83906 into the external RAM via the memory support data bus.
62	RCS	O MOS	RAM CHIP SELECT: Drives the chip select of the external RAM.
63	BPCS	O MOS	BOOT PROM CHIP SELECT: Selects the boot PROM on the memory support data bus.
64	EECS	O MOS	EEPROM CHIP SELECT: Strokes data from the EEPROM onto the memory support data bus.

POWER SUPPLY PINS

42	PLL _{VCC}		PLL 5V SUPPLY PIN: This pin supplies 5V to the DP83906's analog PLL inside the ENDEC block. To maximize data recovery it is recommended that analog layout and decoupling rules be applied between this pin and PLL _{GND} .
41	PLL _{GND}		PLL NEGATIVE (GROUND) SUPPLY PIN
40	PV _{VCC}		PHYSICAL MEDIA 5V SUPPLY PIN: This pin supplies 5V to the DP83906's analog physical media interface circuitry.
37	PGND		PHYSICAL MEDIA NEGATIVE (GROUND) SUPPLY PINS: This pin is the ground to the DP83906's analog physical media interface circuitry.
15, 35, 92	V _{VCC}		POSITIVE 5V SUPPLY PINS: These pins supply power to the DP83906's Core.
14, 36, 66, 87, 94	GND		NEGATIVE (GROUND) SUPPLY PINS: These are the supply pins for the DP83906. It is suggested that decoupling capacitors be connected between the V _{VCC} and GND pins. It is essential to provide a path to ground for the GND pins with the lowest possible impedance.

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3.0 Simplified Application Diagram



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4.0 Functional Description

The DP83906 is a highly integrated and configurable Ethernet controller making it suitable for most Ethernet applications. The DP83906 integrates the functions of the following blocks:

1. ISA Bus Interface containing all logic required to connect the DP8390 core to a packet buffer RAM and the ISA bus.
2. DP8390 Ethernet Core and Media Access Control logic.
3. Media Interface which includes an Encoder/Decoder block with an AUI (Attachment Unit Interface).

4.1 BUS INTERFACE BLOCK

The DP83906's Bus interface block provides the circuitry to interface the Ethernet controller logic, and the external packet buffer RAM to an ISA (Industry Standard Architec-

ture) Bus. The bus interface provides an NE2000 Architecture compatible I/O port architecture, supporting both 8- and 16-bit wide ISA Bus slots.

DETERMINING 8- OR 16-BIT WIDE DATA

DP83906 can treat the system data bus and all internal data busses as 8 or 16 bits wide. 8- or 16-bit mode is determined by MSA9 at reset. For an adapter card this pin can be used to automatically detect if the card has been plugged into an 8- or 16-bit slot by connecting MSA9 via a 10 kΩ pull-up resistor to a V_{DD} on the upper connector. It will be pulled high when plugged into a 16-bit slot, enabling 16-bit mode, and floating when plugged into an 8-bit slot. When floating the internal pull-down resistor will enable 8-bit mode.

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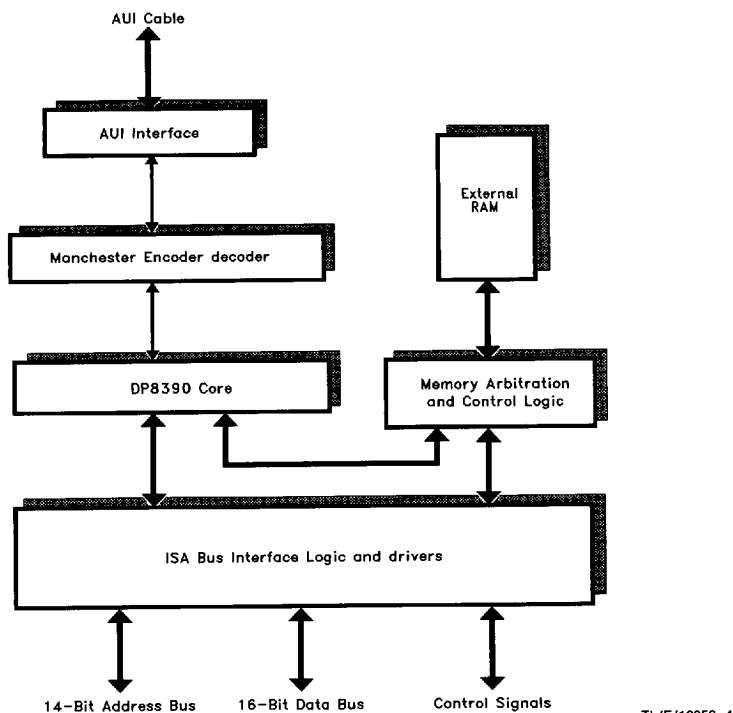


FIGURE 1. Block Diagram of DP83906

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I/O PORT ARCHITECTURE

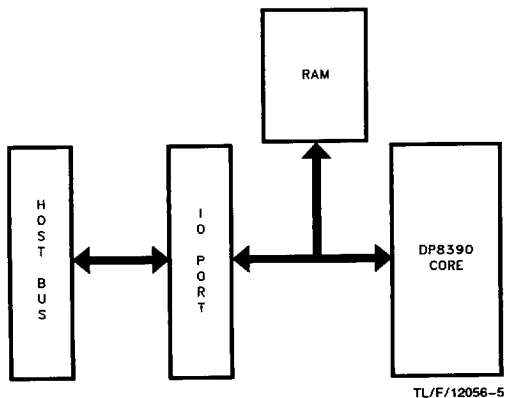


FIGURE 2. I/O Port

The DP83906 internal memory map is accessed one byte or word at a time, via a port within the system's I/O space. DP83906 is programmed by the user to control the transfers between its internal memory and the I/O port. The DP83906 internal registers and the memory access port are accessed within the system's I/O map. The address within this I/O map is set by Configuration Register A.

16-BIT I/O PORT COMPATIBLE MODE I/O ADDRESS MAPPING

This mode is compatible with Novell's NE2000 Architecture. The base I/O address of the DP83906 is configured by Configuration Register A (either upon power up or by software writing to this register). At the base I/O address the following structure appears:

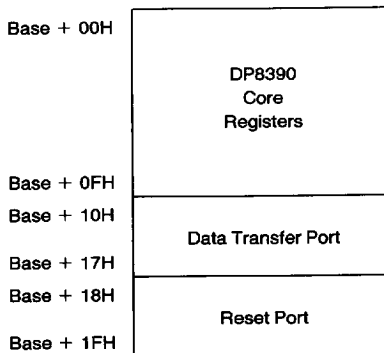


FIGURE 3. I/O Port Mode Register I/O Map

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The DP83906 register SPACE within this area is 8 bits wide, but the data transfer port is 16 bits wide.

The data is located on the lower 8 bits of the data bus. The DP83906 registers can be programmed to control the passing of data between its internal memory and the data transfer port. By accessing the data transfer port (using I/O instructions) the user can transfer data to or from the DP83906's internal memory. The DP83906's internal memory map is as shown below:

	D15	D0
0000H	00	PROM
001FH	Aliased PROM	
4000H		
7FFFH		
8000H	8k x 16 Buffer RAM	
C000H		
FFFFH	Aliased Buffer RAM	

(a)

	D15	D0
001EH	00	57H
001CH	00	57H
	•	•
	00	RESERVED
	•	•
000AH	00	E'net Address 5
0008H	00	E'net Address 4
0006H	00	E'net Address 3
0004H	00	E'net Address 2
0002H	00	E'net Address 1
0000H	00	E'net Address 0

(b)

FIGURE 4. a) NIC Core's 16-Bit Memory Map
b) 16-Bit PROM Map

DP83906 has a 64k address range but only does partial decoding through this space. The PROM data is mirrored from all decodes up to 4000H and the entire map is repeated at 8000H. To access either the PROM or the RAM the user must initiate a Remote DMA transfer between the I/O port and memory.

On a remote read the DP83906 moves data from its internal memory map to the I/O port and the host system reads it by using an "INW" or "INSW" instruction from the I/O address of the data transfer port. If the system attempts to read the port before DP83906 has written the next word of data to it, DP83906 will insert wait states into the system cycle, using the CHRDY line. DP83906 will not begin the next memory read until the previous word of data has been read.

On a remote write the system writes data to the I/O port, using an "OUTW" or "OUTSW" instruction, and DP83906 moves it to its buffer memory. If the system attempts to write to the port before DP83906 has moved the data to memory, DP83906 will insert wait states into the system cycle using the CHRDY line. DP83906 will not begin the next memory write until a new word has been written to the I/O port.

Addresses 00H to 1FH are specified as the PROM space for compatibility with the NE2000 Architecture. This is actually an array of 8-bit registers which are loaded from an external EEPROM after DP83906 is initialized by an ISA RESET. They should contain the same data as the PROM did in the NE2000 Architecture and in the same format. To transfer the data out, the user must initiate a 16-bit DMA read transfer and discard the most significant byte of data on each transfer.

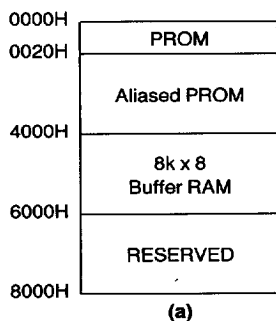
At address 00H of the PROM is a six byte Ethernet address for this node. The upper two addresses of the PROM store contain bytes which identify whether the DP83906 is in 8- or 16-bit mode. For 16-bit mode these bytes both contain the value 57H, for 8-bit mode they both contain 42H.

8-BIT I/O PORT COMPATIBLE MODE

This mode is compatible with the 8-bit mode offered by Novell's NE2000 Architecture. The NE2000 Architecture automatically detects whether it is in an 8- or 16-bit slot and configures itself appropriately. As explained in the previous paragraphs, the user can determine whether the board is in 8- or 16-bit mode by reading the PROM. In 8-bit mode only 8 kbytes of RAM are addressable, as in the 8-bit mode of the NE2000 Architecture. The I/O map is the same as the 16-bit mode, the memory map is shown in Figure 5. Again the PROM has only a partial decode, so is mirrored at all addresses up to 4000H. The PROM still occupies 32 bytes of address space, although it only has 16 bytes of data, as the data at all odd address locations is merely a mirror of the data at the previous even address location.

A low cost card, using only one 8 kbyte RAM, can be designed. If the function on MSA9 is left unconnected, then the DP83906 will always operate in 8-bit mode, regardless of the slot the board is in.

4.0 Functional Description (Continued)



	D15	D0
1EH	42H	42H
1CH	42H	42H
	• RESERVED •	• RESERVED •
0AH	E'net Address 5	E'net Address 5
08H	E'net Address 4	E'net Address 4
06H	E'net Address 3	E'net Address 3
04H	E'net Address 2	E'net Address 2
02H	E'net Address 1	E'net Address 1
00H	E'net Address 0	E'net Address 0

(b)

FIGURE 5. a) 8-Bit NIC Core's Memory Map
b) 8-Bit PROM Map

4.2 POWER ON RESET OPERATION

The DP83906 configures itself after a Reset signal is applied. To be recognized as a valid Power-On-Reset the Reset signal must be active for at least 415 μ s. Figure 6 shows how the RESET circuitry operates.

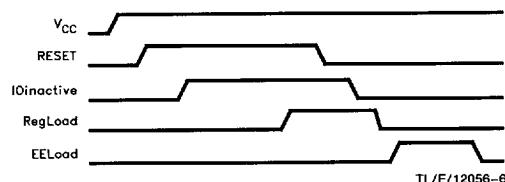


FIGURE 6. RESET Operation

The ISA standard determines that within 500 ns of RESET going active all devices should enter the appropriate reset condition. The DP83906 will generate the internal signal IOinactive after RESET has been active for 400 ns, which will disable all outputs and cause RESET to be the only input monitored. The DP83906 will not respond to a RESET pulse of shorter duration than this. An internal timer continues to monitor the amount of time RESET is active. After 415 μ s it is considered a valid Power-On-Reset and an internal signal called RegLoad is generated.

When a Power-On-Reset occurs the DP83906 latches in the values on the configuration pins and uses these to configure the internal registers and options. Internally these pins contain pull-down resistors, which are enabled when IOinactive goes active. If any pins are unconnected they default to a logic zero. The internal pull-down resistor has a high resistance to allow the external pull-up resistors to be of a high value. This limits the current taken by the memory support bus. The suggested external resistor value is 10 k Ω . The configuration registers are loaded from the memory support bus when RESET goes inactive if RegLoad is active. The internal pull-down resistors are enabled onto the bus until RegLoad has gone inactive.

A Power-On-Reset also causes the DP83906 to load the internal PROM store from the EEPROM, which can take up to 320 μ s. This occurs after RegLoad has gone inactive. The DP83906 will be inaccessible during this time. If EECONFIG is held high the configuration data loaded on the falling edge of RESET will be overwritten with data read from the serial EEPROM. Regardless of the level on EECONFIG the PROM store will always be loaded with data from the serial EEPROM during the time specified as EELoad.

4.3 EEPROM OPERATION

The DP83906 uses an NMC93C06, or another serial EEPROM with compatible timings. The NMC93C06 is a 256-bit device, arranged as 16 words by 16 bits wide. The programmed contents of the EEPROM is shown in Figure 7.

	D15	D0
0FH	EEPROM Code	Config. C
0EH	Config. B	Config. A
	• • •	• • •
08H	42H	42H
07H	57H	57H
	• • •	• • •
03H	Reserved	Reserved
02H	E'net Address 5	E'net Address 4
01H	E'net Address 3	E'net Address 2
00H	E'net Address 1	E'net Address 0

FIGURE 7. EEPROM Programming Map

4.0 Functional Description (Continued)

Mapping EEPROM Into PROM Space

Data is read from the EEPROM at boot time and stored in registers within the DP83906. While this operation takes place the DP83906 cannot be accessed by the system. These registers are mapped into the space traditionally occupied by the PROM in the NE2000 Architecture.

The user should program the EEPROM to contain the Ethernet address in the first 6 bytes and whatever is required in the next 8 bytes. The user should then program 5757H and 4242H into the address 07H and 08H respectively. The DP83906 device driver may determine that this is a 16-bit board by checking this value.

The DP83906 reads the first 8 words from the EEPROM and maps them into the memory map at the appropriate address.

In-Circuit Programming the EEPROM

In the upper byte of address 0FH is the EEPROM does not contain 073H then the DP83906 enters a mode that allows the EEPROM contents to be programmed. This can be used in production to program the EEPROM in-situ. By programming 073H into the uppermost byte the EEPROM is protected from future adaptation, except for configuration data which can always be modified.

If the EEPR bit of the Signature Register is low the EEPROM program mode may be entered. The EEPR bit is low if the EEPROM is not programmed as 73H. In this mode, if the EELoad bit of Configuration Register B is set the user can directly control the EEPROM signals by writing to the Data Transfer Port. The user can write to the Data Transfer Port and the value on the SD3, SD2 and SD1 pins will be driven onto the EECS, SK and DI outputs. These outputs will be latched. The user can generate a clock on SK by repetitively writing 1 then 0 to the appropriate bit. This can be used to generate the EEPROM signals, as per the NM93C06 data sheet.

When the EEPROM has been programmed the user must give the DP83906 a power-on reset to return to normal operation and to read in the new data.

Storing and Loading Configuration from EEPROM

If the EECONFIG function on MSA10 is high during boot up, the DP83906's configuration is read from the EEPROM before the PROM data is read. The configuration data is stored within the upper two words of the EEPROM's address space. Configuration Registers A and B are located in the lower of these words, Register C in the lower byte of the upper word, as shown in *Figure 7*.

To write this configuration into the EEPROM the user must follow the routine specified in the pseudo code below. If the EEPROM code byte in the EEPROM is programmed as 73H, Configuration register data can be written into the EEPROM. This operation will work regardless of the level on EECONFIG. The EELoad bit of Configuration Register B being set starts the EEPROM write process. The next 3 writes to this register load the values that will be stored in the configuration registers (note that the last 2 of these writes need not be preceded by register reads). The DP83906 will then commence the EEPROM write. The write has been completed when the EELoad bit goes to zero, DP83906 sets it. This loading procedure should be followed exactly and interrupts should be disabled until it has completed to prevent any accidental accesses to the DP83906.

```
EEPROM_LOAD()
```

```
{
    DISABLE_INTERRUPTS();
    value = READ(CONFIG_B);
    value = value AND ! GDLINK;
    value = value OR EELoad;
    WRITE(CONFIG_B, value);
    READ(CONFIG_B);
    WRITE(CONFIG_B, config_for_A);
    WRITE(CONFIG_B, config_for_B);
    WRITE(CONFIG_B, config_for_C);
    while (value AND EELoad)
    {
        value = READ(CONFIG_B);
        WAIT();
    }
    ENABLE_INTERRUPTS();
}
```

4.4 JUMPERLESS OPERATION SUPPORT

One of the biggest problems in installing new adapters in a PC is not knowing the available resources within that machine. DP83906 software configuration overcomes that problem. The conflicts possible in the I/O base selection can be overcome by a special mode for software configuration of the I/O base address. By using this mode, and by using the configuration storage capability of the EEPROM, a fully software configurable design on the ISA bus can be realized without address conflict problems.

This mode is invoked by having the DP83906 default to jumperless software configuration option in the I/O base selection. This mode enables configuration register A to be mapped to address location 278H which is defined to be a printer port's data register. If software writes to this location four consecutive times, on the fourth write the DP83906 will load the data written into the I/O address bits of Configuration Register A. This data should set the I/O base address to a known conflict-free value. The DP83906 can now be configured and operated at the desired base I/O address. If desired, the configuration software could change the EEPROM content to the new values eliminating the need to reconfigure upon each power up. Alternately the software could leave the EEPROM alone and execute the configuration using the printer port's data register upon each power up. This configuration scheme will only work once after each power-up. Therefore the user cannot enable the DP83906 from reserved mode, change it back into reserved mode and enable it again. A power-on reset must occur between the first time it is enabled from the reserved mode and the second.

Ethernet Cable Configuration

DP83906 offers the choice of Ethernet (10BASE5) and Thin Ethernet (10BASE2). The type of cabling used is controlled by Configuration Register B.

4.5 BOOT PROM OPERATION

The DP83906 supports an optional boot PROM, the address and size of which can be set in Configuration Register C. This boot PROM can be any 8-bit wide storage device implemented with a non-volatile technology. **It should be noted that the address pins for the boot PROM should be connected directly to the ISA bus.** The DP83906 sup-

4.0 Functional Description (Continued)

plies the chip select to the device and buffers the data onto the ISA bus, so the memory support data bus should be connected to the boot PROM's data pins.

The DP83906 requires an external device to gate together the SA17-19 and SMRD signals from the ISA bus to create the BPEN input. Since all of the optional ROM addresses are in the address space 0C000H to 0DFFFH, the valid SA17-19 address is always: SA19 = 1; SA18 = 1; SA17 = 0. In addition, SMRD must be low to be a boot ROM read. Therefore the valid equation is:

$$BPEN = (SA19 \& SA18 \& SA17 \& \overline{SMRD})$$

If the boot ROM is unused, this input should be tied high and no external circuitry is required.

4.6 INTERRUPT AND LED OPERATION

The DP83906 can directly drive 7 interrupt outputs when the INTMOD bit of Configuration Register C is low. Configuration Register A controls which of the 7 lines are driven, the other 6 are TRI-STATE®. **INT0-6 should be connected to the following ISA interrupt lines, in the order given, to maintain NE2000 Architecture compatibility: 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12.**

When the INTMOD bit is high the DP83906 enters a coded interrupt mode which uses 4 of the interrupt pins. The other 3 pins become network status outputs, which can be used to directly drive LEDs. In coded mode INT3 is the interrupt strobe and INT0-2 are programmable outputs which reflect the status of the INT bits in Configuration Register A. These can be used to decode up to 8 interrupts. **The decoded interrupt outputs should be connected to the following ISA interrupt lines, in the order given, to maintain NE2000 Architecture compatibility: 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15.**

The valid equations for the decode are:

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ISA__INT3 = INT3
ISA__INT3.OE = !INT0 & !INT1 & !INT2
ISA__INT4 = INT3
ISA__INT4.OE = INT0 & !INT1 & !INT2
ISA__INT5 = INT3
ISA__INT5.OE = !INT0 & INT1 & !INT2
ISA__INT9 = INT3
ISA__INT9.OE = INT0 & INT1 & !INT2
ISA__INT10 = INT3
ISA__INT10.OE = !INT0 & !INT1 & INT2
ISA__INT11 = INT3
ISA__INT11.OE = INT0 & !INT1 & INT2
ISA__INT12 = INT3
ISA__INT12.OE = !INT0 & INT1 & INT2
ISA__INT15 = INT3
ISA__INT15.OE = INT0 & INT1 & INT2
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Thus 8 of the interrupt outputs can be decoded by an external device. This means that one external nine output programmable logic device can be used to supply the BROM decode and the interrupt decode.

4.7 DP8390 CORE (NETWORK INTERFACE CONTROLLER)

The DP8390 Core logic, *Figure 8*, contains the Serializer/Deserializer which is controlled by the Protocol PLA, DMA Control, FIFO, Address Comparator, Multicast Hashing Register. The DP8390 core implements all of the IEEE 802.3 Media access control functions for the DP83906, and interfaces to the internal ENDEC (on the left of the block diagram) and to the Bus Interface and memory support bus via a number of address, data and control signals (the right side of the block diagram). The following sections describe the functions of the DP8390 core.

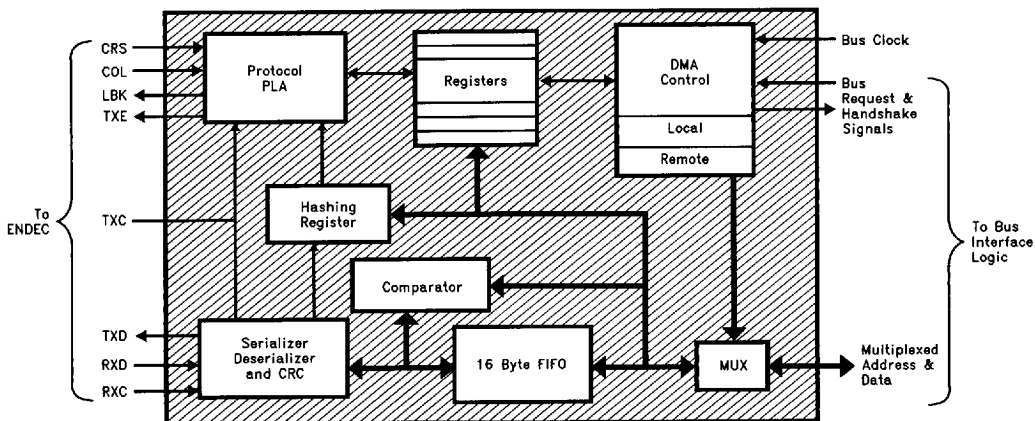


FIGURE 8. DP8390 Core Simplified Block Diagram

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Receive Deserializer

The Receive Deserializer is activated when the input signal Carrier Sense is asserted to allow incoming bits to be shifted into the shift register by the receive clock. The serial receive data is also routed to the CRC generator/checker. The Receive Deserializer includes a synch detector which detects the SFD (Start of Frame Delimiter) to establish where byte boundaries within the serial bit stream are located. After every eight receive clocks, the byte wide data is transferred to the 16-byte FIFO and the Receive Byte Count is incremented. The first six bytes after the SFD are checked for valid comparison by the Address Recognition Logic. If the Address Recognition Logic does not recognize the packet, the FIFO is cleared.

CRC Generator/Checker

During transmission, the CRC logic generates a local CRC field for the transmitted bit sequence. The CRC encodes all fields after the SFD. The CRC is shifted out MSB first following the last transmit byte. During reception the CRC logic generates a CRC field from the incoming packet. This local CRC is serially compared to the incoming CRC appended to the end of the packet by the transmitting node. If the local and received CRC match, a specific pattern will be generated and decoded to indicate no data errors. Transmission errors result in different pattern and are detected, resulting in rejection of a packet.

Transmit Serializer

The Transmit Serializer reads parallel data from the FIFO and serializes it for transmission. The serializer is clocked by the transmit clock generated internally. The serial data is also shifted into the CRC generator/checker. At the beginning of each transmission, the Preamble and SFD append 62 bits of 1,0 preamble and a 1,1 synch pattern. After the last data byte of the packet has been serialized the 32-bit FCS (Frame Check Sequence) field is shifted directly out of the CRC generator. In the event of a collision the Preamble and SFD is used to generate a 32-bit JAM pattern of all 1's.

Comparator-Address Recognition Logic

The address recognition logic compares the Destination Address Field (first 6 bytes of the received packet) to the Physical address registers stored in the Address Register Array. If any one of the six bytes does not match the pre-programmed physical address, the Protocol Control Logic rejects the packet. All multicast destination addresses are filtered using a hashing technique. (See register description.) If the multicast address indexes a bit that has been set in the filter bit array of the Multicast Address Register Array the packet is accepted, otherwise it is rejected by the Protocol Control Logic. Each destination address is also checked for all 1's which is the reserved broadcast address.

FIFO and Packet Data Operations

OVERVIEW

To accommodate the different rates at which data comes from (or goes to) the network and goes to (or comes from) the packet buffer memory, the DP83906 contains a 16-byte FIFO for buffering data between the media and the buffer RAM located on the memory support bus. The FIFO threshold is programmable. When the FIFO has filled to its pro-

grammed threshold, the local DMA channel transfers these bytes (or words) into local memory (via the memory bus). It is crucial that the local DMA is given access to the bus within a minimum bus latency time; otherwise a FIFO under-run (or overrun) occurs.

FIFO underruns or overruns are caused when a local DMA request is issued while an ISA bus access is current and the ISA cycle takes longer to complete than the local DMA's tolerable latency. This tolerable latency depends on the FIFO threshold, whether it is in byte or word-wide mode and the speed of the DMA clock (BSCLK frequency). Note that this refers to standard ISA cycles, NOT those where the CHRDY is deasserted extending the cycle.

FIFO THRESHOLD DETECTION

To assure that there is no overwriting of data in the FIFO, the FIFO logic flags a FIFO overrun as the 13th byte is written into the FIFO, effectively shortening the FIFO to 13 bytes. The FIFO logic also operates differently in Byte Mode and in Word Mode. In Byte Mode, a threshold is indicated when the $n+1$ byte has entered the FIFO; thus, with an 8 byte threshold, the DP83906 issues a request to the buffer RAM when the 9th byte has entered the FIFO, making the effective threshold 9 bytes. For Word Mode, the request is not generated until the $n+2$ bytes have entered the FIFO. Thus, with a 4 word threshold (equivalent to 8 byte threshold), a request to the buffer RAM is issued when the 10th byte has entered the FIFO, making the effective threshold 10 bytes.

TOLERABLE LATENCY CALCULATION

To prevent a FIFO **overrun** a byte (or word) of data must be **removed** from the FIFO before the 13th byte is written. Therefore the worst case tolerable latency is the time from the effective threshold being reached to the time the 13th byte is written minus the time taken to load the first byte (or word) of data to the FIFO during a local DMA burst (8 BSCLKs).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tolerable latency} &= ((\text{overrun} - \text{effective}) \text{ threshold} \\ &\quad \times \text{time to transfer byte on network}) \\ &\quad - \text{time to fill 1st FIFO location} \end{aligned}$$

For the case of a 4 word threshold using a 20 MHz BSCLK:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tolerable latency} &= ((13 - 10) \times 800) - (8 \times 50) \text{ ns} \\ &= 2 \mu\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

To prevent a FIFO **underrun** a byte (or word) of data must be **added** to the FIFO before the last byte is removed. Therefore the worst case tolerable latency is the time from the effective threshold being reached to the time the last byte is removed minus the time taken to load the first byte (or word) of data to the FIFO during a local DMA burst (8 BSCLKs).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tolerable latency} &= (\text{threshold} \\ &\quad \times \text{time to transfer byte on network}) \\ &\quad - \text{time to fill 1st FIFO location} \end{aligned}$$

For the case of a 4 word threshold using a 20 MHz BSCLK:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tolerable latency} &= (4 \times 800) - (8 \times 50) \text{ ns} \\ &= 2.8 \mu\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

The worst case latency, either overrun or underrun, ultimately limits the overall latency that the DP83906 can tolerate. If the standard ISA cycles are shorter than the worst case latency then no FIFO overruns or underruns will occur.

4.0 Functional Description (Continued)

BEGINNING OF RECEIVE

At the beginning of reception, the DP83906 stores entire Address field of each incoming packet in the FIFO to determine whether the packet matches its Physical Address Registers or maps to one of its Multicast Registers. This causes the FIFO to accumulate 8 bytes. Furthermore, there are some synchronization delays in the DMA PLA. Thus, the actual time that a request to access the buffer RAM is asserted from the time the Start of Frame Delimiter (SFD) is detected is 7.8 μ s. This operation affects the bus latencies at 2 byte and 4 byte thresholds during the first receive request since the FIFO must be filled to 8 bytes (or 4 words) before issuing a request to the buffer RAM.

When the end of a packet is detected by the ENDEC module, the DP83906 enters its end of packet processing sequence, emptying its FIFO and writing the status information at the beginning of the first buffer. The DP83906 holds onto the memory bus for the entire sequence. The longest time that local DMA will hold the buffer RAM occurs when a packet ends just as the DP83906 performs its last FIFO burst. The DP83906, in this case, performs a proburst transfer followed by flushing the remaining bytes in the FIFO, and completed by writing the header information to the buffer memory. The following steps occur during this sequence.

1. DP83906 issues request to access the RAM because the FIFO threshold has been reached.
2. During the burst, packet ends, resulting in the request being extended.
3. DP83906 flushes remaining bytes from FIFO.
4. DP83906 performs internal processing to prepare for writing the header.

5. DP83906 writes 4-byte (2-word) header.

6. DP83906 de-asserts access to the buffer RAM.

BEGINNING OF TRANSMIT

Before transmitting, the DP83906 performs a prefetch from memory to load the FIFO. The number of bytes prefetched is the programmed FIFO threshold. The next request to the buffer RAM is not issued until after the DP83906 actually begins transmitting data, i.e., after SFD.

READING THE FIFO

If the FIFO is read during normal operation the DP83906 will "hang" the ISA bus by deasserting CHRDY and never asserting it. The FIFO should only be read during loopback diagnostics.

PROTOCOL PLA

The Protocol PLA is responsible for implementing the IEEE 802.3 protocol, including collision recovery with random backoff. The Protocol PLA also formats packets during transmission and strips preamble and synch during reception.

DMA AND BUFFER CONTROL LOGIC

The DMA and Buffer Control Logic is used to control two 16-bit DMA channels. During reception, the Local DMA stores packets in a receive buffer ring, located in buffer memory. During transmission the Local DMA uses programmed pointer and length registers to transfer a packet from local buffer memory to the FIFO.

A second DMA channel (Remote DMA) is used as a slave DMA to transfer data between the local buffer memory and the host system. The Local DMA and Remote DMA are internally arbitrated, with the Local DMA channel having highest priority. Both DMA channels use a common external bus clock to generate all required bus timing. External arbitration is performed with a standard bus request, bus acknowledge handshake protocol.

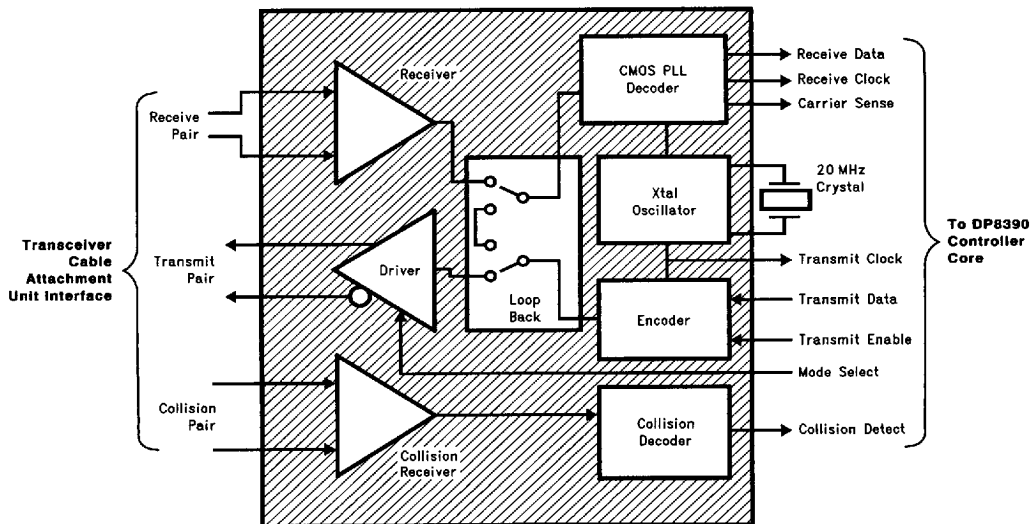


FIGURE 9. Encoder/Decode Block Diagram

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4.8 ENCODE/DECODE (ENDEC) MODULE

The ENDEC consists of four main logical blocks:

- The oscillator generates the 10 MHz transmit clock signal for system timing.
- The Manchester encoder accepts NRZ data from the controller, encodes the data to Manchester, and transmits the data differentially to the transceiver, through the differential transmit driver.
- The Manchester decoder receives Manchester data from the transceiver, converts it to NRZ data and clock pulses, and sends it to the controller.
- The collision translator indicates to the controller the presence of a valid 10 MHz collision signal to the PLL.

Oscillator

The oscillator is controlled by a 20 MHz parallel resonant crystal connected between X1 and X2 or by an external clock on X1. The 20 MHz output of the oscillator is divided by 2 to generate the 10 MHz transmit clock for the controller. The oscillator also provides internal clock signals to the encoding and decoding circuits.

CRYSTAL OPERATION

If the crystal used with the internal oscillator circuit is not properly selected, the DP83906 oscillator may not reliably start oscillation under all conditions.

If this occurs, it could be deceiving to a designer, since his prototypes may work fine. However, when the designer does qualification testing or starts production, he may encounter a higher than expected board yield loss due to the oscillator not starting. The DP83906's oscillator circuit clocks the Encoder-Decoder logic. The DP83906's oscillator also clocks the twisted pair interface block. If the oscillator does not start, the DP83906 will not be able to transmit or receive.

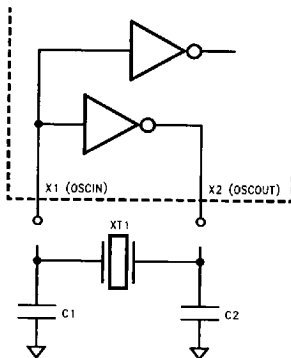


FIGURE 10. Crystal Connection to DP83906
(see text for component values)

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If a crystal is connected to the DP83906, it is recommended that the circuit shown in Figure 10 be used and that the components used meet the following:

Crystal XT1: AT cut parallel resonant crystal
Series Resistance: $\leq 40\Omega$
Specified Load Capacitance: ≤ 20 pF
Accuracy: 0.005% (50 ppm)
Typical Load: 50 μ W–75 μ W

The recommended values for capacitors C1 and C2 should be 26 pF minus the board capacitance on that pin. Therefore if both X1 and X2 have 4 pF of board capacitance, then a 22 pF capacitor should be used.

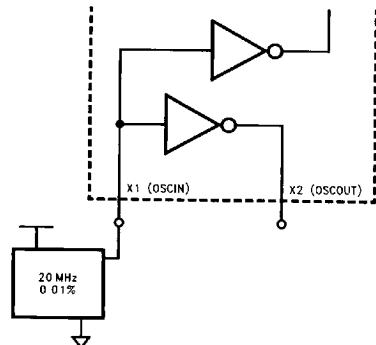
According to the IEEE 802.3 standard, the entire oscillator circuit (crystal and amplifier) must be accurate to 0.01%. When using a crystal, the X2 pin is not guaranteed to provide a TTL compatible logic output, and should not be used to drive external standard logic. If additional logic needs to be driven, then an external oscillator should be used, as described in the following section.

OSCILLATOR MODULE OPERATION

If the designer wishes to use a crystal clock oscillator, one that provides the following should be employed:

- TTL or CMOS output with a 0.01% frequency tolerance
- 40%–60% duty cycle

The circuit is shown in Figure 11. When using a clock oscillator it is recommended that the designer connect the oscillator output to the X1 pin and leave the X2 pin floating.

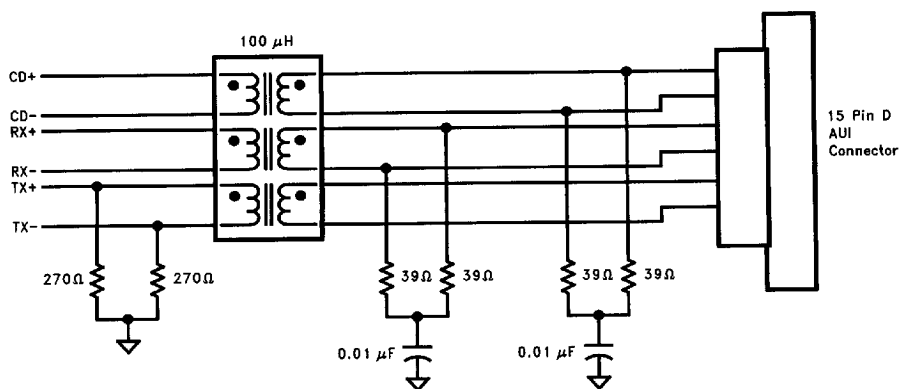


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FIGURE 11. DP83906 Connection for Oscillator Module
Manchester Encoder and Differential Driver

The differential transmit pair, on the secondary of the employed transformer, drives up to 50 meters of twisted pair AUI cable. These outputs are source followers which require two 270 Ω pull-down resistors to ground (see Figure 12).

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FIGURE 12. Connection from DP83906's AUI Port to the AUI Connector

The DP83906 allows full-step to be compatible with IEEE 802.3. Transmit+ and Transmit- are equal in the idle state, providing zero differential voltage to operate with transformer coupled loads.

Manchester Decoder

The decoder consists of a differential receiver and a PLL to separate a Manchester encoded data stream into internal clock signals and data. The differential input must be externally terminated with two 39 Ω resistors connected in series if the standard 78 Ω transceiver drop cable is used. In thin Ethernet applications, these resistors are optional. To prevent noise from falsely triggering the decoder, a squelch circuit at the input rejects signals with levels less than -175 mV or signals more negative than -300 mV. Data becomes valid typically within 6-bit times. The DP83906 may tolerate bit jitter up to 20 ns in the received data. The decoder detects the end of a frame when no more mid-bit transitions are detected.

Collision Translator

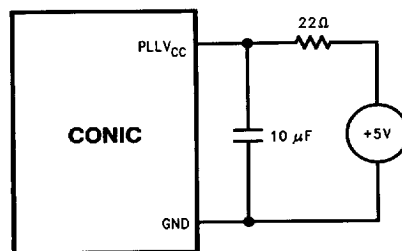
When in AUI Mode and the Ethernet transceiver (DP8392 CTI) detects a collision, it generates a 10 MHz signal to the differential collision inputs (CD±) of the DP83906. When these inputs are detected active, the DP83906 uses this signal to back off its current transmission and reschedule another one.

In this mode the $\overline{\text{COLED}}$ output will indicate when the CD± lines are active during activity on the network. This means it will correctly indicate any collision on the network, but will not be lit for heartbeat or cable disconnect.

The collision differential inputs are terminated the same way as the differential receive inputs. The squelch circuitry is also similar, rejecting pulse levels less than -175 mV.

PLL V_{CC} Power Supply Consideration

The PLL V_{CC} pin is the +5V power supply for the phase lock loop (PLL) of the DP83906 ENDEC unit. Since this is an analog circuit, excessive noise on the PLL V_{CC} pin can affect the performance of the PLL. This noise, if in the 10 kHz-400 kHz range, can reduce the jitter performance of the ENDEC, resulting in missing packets or CRC errors. If the power supply noise is causing significant packet reception error, a low pass filter could be added to reduce the power supply noise and hence improve the jitter performance. Standard analog design techniques should be utilized when laying out the power supply traces on the board. If the digital power supply is used, it may be desirable to add a one pole RC filter (designed to have a cut-off frequency of 1 kHz) as shown in Figure 13 to improve the jitter performance. The PLL V_{CC} draws 3 mA-4 mA so the voltage across the resistor is less than 90 mV, which will not affect the PLL's operation.



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FIGURE 13. Filtering Power Supply Noise

5.0 Register Descriptions

5.1 CONFIGURATION REGISTERS

These registers are used to configure the operation of the DP83906 typically after power up. These registers control the configuration of bus interface, setting options like interrupt selection, I/O base address, and other specific modes.

Mode Configuration Register A

To prevent any accidental writes of this register it is "hidden" behind a previously unused register. Register 0AH in the DP83906's Page 0 of registers was previously reserved on a read. Now Configuration Register A can be read at that address and can be written to by following a read to 0AH with a write to 0AH. If any other DP83906 register accesses take place between the read and the write, the write to 0AH will access the Remote Byte Count Register 0.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RES	FRd/Wr	INT2	INT1	INT0	IOAD2	IOAD1	IOAD0

Bits	Symbols	Function																																				
0-2	IOAD0-IOAD2	<p>I/O ADDRESS: These three bits determine the base I/O address of the DP83906 within the system's I/O map. The DP83906 occupies 20H bytes of the system's address space.</p> <table><tr><th>Bit 2</th><th>Bit 1</th><th>Bit 0</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0300H</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>Software (Note 1)</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0240H</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0280H</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>02C0H</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0320H</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0340H</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0360H</td></tr></table> <p>Note 1: When 001 is selected the DP83906 will not respond to any I/O Addresses, but will allow 4 consecutive writes to 278H to write these three bits of this register. This mode allows the DP83906 to be configured via software without conflicting with other peripherals.</p>	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0		0	0	0	0300H	0	0	1	Software (Note 1)	0	1	0	0240H	0	1	1	0280H	1	0	0	02C0H	1	0	1	0320H	1	1	0	0340H	1	1	1	0360H
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3-5	INT0-INT2	<p>INTERRUPT LINE USED: There are two interrupt modes which can be enabled by setting bit 5 of Configuration Register C to the appropriate level.</p> <p>DIRECT DRIVE MODE: In this mode an interrupt output pin will be driven active on a valid interrupt condition. Only one pin may be driven, the other seven will remain at tri-stated. The pin driven is determined by the value in this register.</p> <table><tr><th>Bit 5</th><th>Bit 4</th><th>Bit 3</th><th>Interrupt</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>INT0</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>INT1</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>INT2</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>INT3</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>INT4</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>INT5</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>INT6</td></tr></table> <p>CODED OUTPUT MODE: In this mode INT3 is the active interrupt output while pins INT0 to INT2 are programmable outputs reflecting the values on bits 3 to 5.</p>	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Interrupt	0	0	0	INT0	0	0	1	INT1	0	1	0	INT2	0	1	1	INT3	1	0	0	INT4	1	0	1	INT5	1	1	0	INT6				
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1	0	0	INT4																																			
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1	1	0	INT6																																			
6	FRd/Wr	<p>FAST Rd/Wr: When this bit is set high the DP83906, in I/O mode, will begin the next port fetch/write before the current IORD/IOWR has completed. In slow ISA systems this may cause the data in the port to be overwritten before the ISA cycle has been completed.</p>																																				
7	RES	<p>RESERVED: This bit must be set low for normal operation.</p>																																				

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Mode Configuration Register B

To prevent any accidental writes of this register it is "hidden" behind a previously unused register. Register 0BH in the DP83906's Page 0 of registers was previously reserved on a read. Now Configuration Register B can be read at that address and can be written to by following a read to 0BH with a write to 0BH. If any other DP83906 register accesses take place between the read and the write then the write to 0BH will access the Remote Byte Count Register 1. **Care should be taken when writing to this register as BE is not a simple read/write bit**, e.g., the user should not change the EELOAD bit by reading B, or-ing the returned value with the bit to be set or cleared and writing this value to B. This could inadvertently clear a bus error indication before it was noted.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
EELOAD	RES	BE	RES	IO16CON	RES	RES	THIN

Bits	Symbols	Function
0	THIN	When low 10BASE5 (Thick Ethernet) is selected, high 10BASE2 (Thin Ethernet) selected.
1-2	RES	RESERVED: This bit must be set low for normal operation.
3	IO16CON	IO16 CONTROL: When this bit is set high the DP83906 generates $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ after $\overline{\text{IOR}}$ or $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ go active. If low this output is generated only on address decode.
4	RES	RESERVED: This bit must be set low for normal operation.
5	BE	BUS ERROR: This bit shows that the DP83906 has detected a bus error condition. This will go high if the DP83906 attempts to insert wait states into a system access and the system terminates the cycle without inserting the wait states. Writing a one to this bit clears it to zero. Writing a zero has no effect.
6	RES	RESERVED: This bit must be set low for normal operation.
7	EELOAD	EEPROM LOAD: Writing a 1 to this bit enables the EEPROM load algorithm or EEPROM programming mode as detailed in Section 4, depending on the EEPR code. This bit should not be configured to be high, either from switches or an EEPROM.

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Hardware Configuration Register C

To prevent any accidental writes of this register it is "hidden" behind configuration register A. On the third read of 0A and a subsequent write this register is accessed allowing configuration via software as well as during RESET.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
SOFEN	RES	INTMOD	RES	BPS3	BPS2	BPS1	BPS0

Bits	Symbols	Function																																																																																																
0-3	BPS0-BPS3	<p>BOOT PROM SELECT: Selects address at which boot PROM begins and the size. When the system reads within the selected memory area DP83906 reads the data in through MSD0-7 and drives it onto the system data bus. The following are valid addresses and sizes:</p> <table><tr><th>Bit 3</th><th>Bit 2</th><th>Bit 1</th><th>Bit 0</th><th>Address</th><th>Size</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>No Boot PROM</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0C000H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0C400H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0C800H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0CC00H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0D000H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0D400H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0D800H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0DC00H</td><td>8k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0C000H</td><td>32k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0C800H</td><td>32k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0D000H</td><td>32k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0D800H</td><td>32k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0C000H</td><td>64k</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0D000H</td><td>64k</td></tr></table>	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0	Address	Size	0	0	0	X	X	No Boot PROM	0	0	1	0	0C000H	8k	0	0	1	1	0C400H	8k	0	1	0	0	0C800H	8k	0	1	0	1	0CC00H	8k	0	1	1	0	0D000H	8k	0	1	1	1	0D400H	8k	1	0	0	0	0D800H	8k	1	0	0	1	0DC00H	8k	1	0	1	0	0C000H	32k	1	0	1	1	0C800H	32k	1	1	0	0	0D000H	32k	1	1	0	1	0D800H	32k	1	1	1	0	0C000H	64k	1	1	1	1	0D000H	64k
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5	INTMOD	INTERRUPT MODE: When this bit is low the DP83906 is in Direct Drive interrupt mode. When it is high Coded Output interrupt mode is used.																																																																																																
6	RES	RESERVED: This bit must be set low for normal operation.																																																																																																
7	SOFEN	SOFTWARE ENABLE: If this bit is set low then the user can program configuration registers A, B and C in software. If this bit is set high then the configuration registers are not accessible. If EECONFIG is high, the configuration from the switches will be overwritten by the configuration from the EEPROM even if this bit is pulled high.																																																																																																

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Signature Register

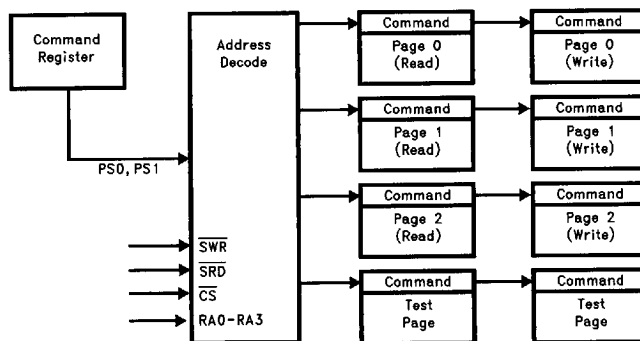
This register is intended to allow the software programmer to determine which of the AT/LANTIC™ family of devices and what board configuration is being used. This register is "hidden" behind a used register. Register 01H in the DP83906's Page 1 of registers is Physical Address Register 0, which is read/write. Now the Signature Register can be read at that address by following a read to 01H, on Page 1, with another read to 01H. If any other DP83906 register accesses take place between the two reads then the second read will access Physical Address Register 0. All writes are to Physical Address Register 0. The user can determine if the Signature Register exists by writing, while in Page 1, a known value to the Physical Address Register 0 then reading it back twice. The first read will be the known value. If the second read is not equal to the value written then the Signature Register exists. **This operation should only be attempted while the DP83906 is in STOP mode (STP bit in the Command Register set high).**

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
SIG7	SIG6	SIG5	EEPR	REV3	REV2	REV1	REV0

Bits	Symbols	Function
0-3	REV0-REV3	AT/LANTIC FAMILY REVISION: Shows that this is an DP83906 by holding the value: REV3 REV2 REV1 REV0 0 1 0 0
4	EEPR	EEPROM PROGRAMMED: If the upper byte of the EEPROM contains 073H when loaded into the DP83906 this bit will be high.
5-7	SIG5-SIG7	BOARD REVISION: Shows that this board uses an NE2000 Architecture compatible interrupt structure: SIG7 SIG6 SIG5 0 0 0

5.2 NIC CORE REGISTERS

All registers are 8-bit wide and mapped into two pages which are selected in the Command Register (PS0, PS1). Pins RA0-RA3 are used to address registers within each page. Page 0 registers are those registers which are commonly accessed during DP83906 operation while page 1 registers are used primarily for initialization. The registers are partitioned to avoid having to perform two write/read cycles to access commonly used registers.



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FIGURE 14. NIC Core Register Mapping

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Register Assignments

Page 0 Address Assignments (PS1 = 0, PS0 = 0)

RA0-RA3	RD	WR
00H	Command (CR)	Command (CR)
01H	Current Local DMA Address 0 (CLDA0)	Page Start Register (PSTART)
02H	Current Local DMA Address 1 (CLDA1)	Page Stop Register (PSTOP)
03H	Boundary Pointer (BNRY)	Boundary Pointer (BNRY)
04H	Transmit Status Register (TSR)	Transmit Page Start Address (TPSR)
05H	Number of Collisions Register (NCR)	Transmit Byte Count Register 0 (TBCR0)
06H	FIFO (FIFO)	Transmit Byte Count Register 1 (TBCR1)
07H	Interrupt Status Register (ISR)	Interrupt Status Register (ISR)
08H	Current Remote DMA Address 0 (CRDA0)	Remote Start Address Register 0 (RSAR0)
09H	Current Remote DMA Address 1 (CRDA1)	Remote Start Address Register 1 (RSAR1)
0AH	Reserved	Remote Byte Count Register 0 (RBCR0)
0BH	Reserved	Remote Byte Count Register 1 (RBCR1)
0CH	Receive Status Register (RSR)	Receive Configuration Register (RCR)
0DH	Tally Counter 0 (Frame Alignment Errors) (CNTR0)	Transmit Configuration Register (TCR)
0EH	Tally Counter 1 (CRC Errors) (CNTR1)	Data Configuration Register (DCR)
0FH	Tally Counter 2 Missed Packet Errors) (CNTR2)	Interrupt Mask Register (IMR)

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Page 1 Address Assignments (PS1 = 0, PS0 = 1)

RA0-RA3	RD	WR
00H	Command (CR)	Command (CR)
01H	Physical Address Register 0 (PAR0)	Physical Address Register 0 (PAR0)
02H	Physical Address Register 1 (PAR1)	Physical Address Register 1 (PAR1)
03H	Physical Address Register 2 (PAR2)	Physical Address Register 2 (PAR2)
04H	Physical Address Register 3 (PAR3)	Physical Address Register 3 (PAR3)
05H	Physical Address Register 4 (PAR4)	Physical Address Register 4 (PAR4)
06H	Physical Address Register 5 (PAR5)	Physical Address Register 5 (PAR5)
07H	Current Page Register (CURR)	Current Page Register (CURR)
08H	Multicast Address Register 0 (MAR0)	Multicast Address Register 0 (MAR0)
09H	Multicast Address Register 1 (MAR1)	Multicast Address Register 1 (MAR1)
0AH	Multicast Address Register 2 (MAR2)	Multicast Address Register 2 (MAR2)
0BH	Multicast Address Register 3 (MAR3)	Multicast Address Register 3 (MAR3)
0CH	Multicast Address Register 4 (MAR4)	Multicast Address Register 4 (MAR4)
0DH	Multicast Address Register 5 (MAR5)	Multicast Address Register 5 (MAR5)
0EH	Multicast Address Register 6 (MAR6)	Multicast Address Register 6 (MAR6)
0FH	Multicast Address Register 7 (MAR7)	Multicast Address Register 7 (MAR7)

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Page 2 Address Assignments (PS1 = 1, PS0 = 0)

RA0-RA3	RD	WR
00H	Command (CR)	Command (CR)
01H	Page Start Register (PSTART)	Current Local DMA Address 0 (CLDA0)
02H	Page Stop Register (PSTOP)	Current Local DMA Address 1 (CLDA1)
03H	Remote Next Packet Pointer	Remote Next Packet Pointer
04H	Transmit Page Start Address (TPSR)	Reserved
05H	Local Next Packet Pointer	Local Next Packet Pointer
06H	Address Counter (Upper)	Address Counter (Upper)
07H	Address Counter (Lower)	Address Counter (Lower)
08H	Reserved	Reserved
09H	Reserved	Reserved
0AH	Reserved	Reserved
0BH	Reserved	Reserved
0CH	Receive Configuration Register (RCR)	Reserved
0DH	Transmit Configuration Register (TCR)	Reserved
0EH	Data Configuration Register (DCR)	Reserved
0FH	Interrupt Mask Register (IMR)	Reserved

Note: Page 2 registers should only be accessed for diagnostic purposes. They should not be modified during normal operation.

Page 3 should never be modified.

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Command Register (CR) 00H (Read/Write)

The Command Register is used to initiate transmissions, enable or disable Remote DMA operations and to select register pages. To issue a command the microprocessor sets the corresponding bit(s) (RD2, RD1, RD0, TXP). Further commands may be overlapped, but with the following rules: (1) If a transmit command overlaps with a remote DMA operation, bits RD0, RD1, and RD2 must be maintained for the remote DMA command when setting the TXP bit. Note, if a remote DMA command is re-issued when giving the transmit command, the DMA will complete immediately if the remote byte count register has not been re-initialized. (2) If a remote DMA operation overlaps a transmission, RD0, RD1, and RD2 may be written with the desired values and a "0" written to the TXP bit. Writing a "0" to this bit has no effect. (3) A remote write DMA may not overlap remote read operation or vice versa. Either of these operations must either complete or be aborted before the other operation may start. Bits PS1, PS0, RD2, and STP may be set any time.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
PS1	PS0	RD2	RD1	RD0	TXP	STA	STP

Bits	Symbols	Description																								
D0	STP	STOP: Software reset command, takes the controller off-line, no packets will be received or transmitted. Any reception or transmission in progress will continue to completion before entering the reset state. To exit this state, the STP bit must be reset and the STA bit must be set high. To perform a software reset, this bit should be set high. The software reset has executed only when indicated by the RST bit in the ISR being set to at 1. STP powers up high. Note: If the DP83906 has previously been in start mode and the STP is set, both the STP and STA bits will remain set.																								
D1	STA	START: This bit is used to activate the NIC Core after either power up, or when the NIC Core has been placed in a reset mode by software command or error. STA powers up low.																								
D2	TXP	TRANSMIT PACKET: This bit must be set to initiate transmission of a packet. TXP is internally reset either after the transmission is completed or aborted. This bit should be set only after the Transmit Byte Count and Transmit Page Start registers have been programmed.																								
D3-D5	RD0-RD2	REMOTE DMA COMMAND: These three encoded bits control operation of the Remote DMA channel. RD2 can be set to abort any Remote DMA command in progress. The Remote Byte Count Registers should be cleared when a Remote DMA has been aborted. The Remote Start Addresses are not restored to the starting address if the Remote DMA is aborted. <table><tr><th>RD2</th><th>RD1</th><th>RD0</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>Not Allowed</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>Remote Read</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>Remote Write</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>Send Packet</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>Abort/Complete Remote DMA (Note 1)</td></tr></table> Note 1: If a remote DMA operation is aborted and the remote byte count has not decremented to zero, the data transfer port should be read, for a remote read or send packet, or written to, for a remote write. This is required to ensure future correct operation.	RD2	RD1	RD0		0	0	0	Not Allowed	0	0	1	Remote Read	0	1	0	Remote Write	0	1	1	Send Packet	1	X	X	Abort/Complete Remote DMA (Note 1)
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0	1	0	Remote Write																							
0	1	1	Send Packet																							
1	X	X	Abort/Complete Remote DMA (Note 1)																							
D6, D7	PS0, PS1	PAGE SELECT: These two encoded bits select which register page is to be accessed with addresses RA0-3. <table><tr><th>PS1</th><th>PS0</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>Register Page 0</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>Register Page 1</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>Register Page 2</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>Reserved</td></tr></table>	PS1	PS0		0	0	Register Page 0	0	1	Register Page 1	1	0	Register Page 2	1	1	Reserved									
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0	1	Register Page 1																								
1	0	Register Page 2																								
1	1	Reserved																								

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Interrupt Status Register (ISR) 07H (Read/Write)

This register is accessed by the host processor to determine the cause of an interrupt. Any interrupt can be masked in the Interrupt Mask Register (IMR). Individual interrupt bits are cleared by writing a "1" into the corresponding bit of the ISR. The valid interrupt output is active as long as any unmasked signal is set, and will not go low until all unmasked bits in this register have been cleared. The ISR must be cleared after power up by writing it with all 1's.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RST	RDC	CNT	OVW	TXE	RXE	PTX	PRX

Bits	Symbols	Description
D0	PRX	PACKET RECEIVED: Indicates packet received with no errors.
D1	PTX	PACKET TRANSMITTED: Indicates packet transmitted with no errors.
D2	RXE	RECEIVE ERROR: Indicates that a packet was received with one or more of the following errors: —CRC Error —Frame Alignment Error —FIFO Overrun —Missed Packet
D3	TXE	TRANSMIT ERROR: Set when packet transmitted with one or more of the following errors: —Excessive Collisions —FIFO Underrun
D4	OVW	OVERWRITE WARNING: Set when receive buffer ring storage resources have been exhausted. (Local DMA has reached Boundary Pointer)
D5	CNT	COUNTER OVERFLOW: Set when MSB of one or more of the Network Tally Counters has been set.
D6	RDC	REMOTE DMA COMPLETE: Set when Remote DMA operation has been completed.
D7	RST	RESET STATUS: Set when DP83906 enters reset state and cleared when a Start Command is issued to the CR. This bit is also set when a Receive Buffer Ring overflow occurs and is cleared when one or more packets have been removed from the ring. Writing to this bit has no effect. Note: This bit does not generate an interrupt, it is merely a status indicator.

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Interrupt Mask Register (IMR) 0FH (Write)

The Interrupt Mask Register is used to mask interrupts. Each interrupt mask bit corresponds to a bit in the Interrupt Status Register (ISR). If an interrupt mask bit is set, an interrupt will be issued whenever the corresponding bit in the ISR is set. If any bit in the IMR is set low, an interrupt will not occur when the bit in the ISR is set. **The IMR powers up all zeroes.**

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
—	RDCE	CNTE	OVWE	TXEE	RXEE	PTXE	PRXE

Bits	Symbols	Description
D0	PRXE	PACKET RECEIVED INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when packet received
D1	PTXE	PACKET TRANSMITTED INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when packet is transmitted
D2	RXEE	RECEIVE ERROR INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when packet received with error
D3	TXEE	TRANSMIT ERROR INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when packet transmission results in error
D4	OVWE	OVERWRITE WARNING INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when Buffer Management Logic lacks sufficient buffers to store incoming packet
D5	CNTE	COUNTER OVERFLOW INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when MSB of one or more of the Network Statistics counters has been set
D6	RDCE	DMA COMPLETE INTERRUPT ENABLE: 0: Interrupt Disabled 1: Enables Interrupt when Remote DMA transfer has been completed
D7	—	RESERVED

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Data Configuration Register (DCR) 0EH (Write)

This Register is used to program the DP83906 for 8- or 16-bit memory interface, select byte ordering in 16-bit applications and establish FIFO thresholds. **The DCR must be initialized prior to loading the Remote Byte Count Registers. LAS is set on power up.**

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
—	FT1	FT0	ARM	LS	LAS	BOS	WTS

Bits	Symbols	Description																								
D0	WTS	WORD TRANSFER SELECT: 0: Selects byte-wide DMA transfers 1: Selects word-wide DMA transfers ;WTS establishes byte or word transfers for both Remote and Local DMA transfers Note: When word-wide mode is selected, up to 32k words are addressable, A0 remains low																								
D1	BOS	BYTE ORDER SELECT: 0: MS byte placed on AD15–AD8 and LS byte on AD7–AD0. (32xxx, 80x86) 1: MS byte placed on AD7–AD0 and LS byte on AD15–AD8. (680x0) ;Ignored when WTS is low																								
D2	LAS	LONG ADDRESS SELECT: 0: Dual 16-bit DMA mode 1: Single 32-bit DMA mode ;When LAS is high, the contents of the Remote DMA registers RSAR0, 1 are issued as A16–A31 Power up high																								
D3	LS	LOOPBACK SELECT: 0: Loopback mode selected. Bits D1 and D2 of the TCR must also be programmed for Loopback operation 1: Normal Operation																								
D4	ARM	AUTO-INITIALIZE REMOTE: 0: Send Command not executed, all packets removed from Buffer Ring under program control 1: Send Command executed, Remote DMA auto-initialized to remove packets from Buffer Ring Note: Send Command cannot be used with 680x0 byte processors																								
D5 and D6	FT0 and FT1	FIFO THRESHOLD SELECT: Encoded FIFO threshold. Establishes point at which the memory bus is requested when filling or emptying the FIFO. During reception, the FIFO threshold indicates the number of bytes (or words) the FIFO has filled serially from the network before the FIFO is emptied onto the memory bus. Note: FIFO threshold setting determines the DMA burst length. <table><tr><th colspan="4">Receive Thresholds</th></tr><tr><th>FT1</th><th>FT0</th><th>Word Wide</th><th>Byte Wide</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1 Word</td><td>2 Bytes</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2 Words</td><td>4 Bytes</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>4 Words</td><td>8 Bytes</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>6 Words</td><td>12 Bytes</td></tr></table> During transmission, the FIFO threshold indicates the number of bytes (or words) the FIFO has filled from the Local DMA before being transferred to the memory. Thus, the transmission threshold is 16 bytes less the received threshold.	Receive Thresholds				FT1	FT0	Word Wide	Byte Wide	0	0	1 Word	2 Bytes	0	1	2 Words	4 Bytes	1	0	4 Words	8 Bytes	1	1	6 Words	12 Bytes
Receive Thresholds																										
FT1	FT0	Word Wide	Byte Wide																							
0	0	1 Word	2 Bytes																							
0	1	2 Words	4 Bytes																							
1	0	4 Words	8 Bytes																							
1	1	6 Words	12 Bytes																							
D7	—	RESERVED																								

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Transmit Configuration Register (TCR) 0DH (Write)

The transmit configuration establishes the actions of the transmitter section of the DP83906 during transmission of a packet on the network. **LB1 and LB0 which select loopback mode power up as 0.**

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
—	—	—	OFST	ATD	LB1	LB0	CRC

Bits	Symbols	Description																				
D0	CRC	INHIBIT CRC: 0: CRC appended by transmitter 1: CRC inhibited by transmitter In loopback mode CRC can be enabled or disabled to test the CRC logic																				
D1 and D2	LB0 and LB1	ENCODED LOOPBACK CONTROL: These encoded configuration bits set the type of loopback that is to be performed. Note that loopback in mode 2 places the ENDEC Module in loopback mode and that D3 of the DCR must be set to zero for loopback operation. <table><tr><th></th><th>LB1</th><th>LB0</th><th></th></tr><tr><td>Mode 0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>Normal Operation (LPBK = 0)</td></tr><tr><td>Mode 1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>Internal NIC Module Loopback (LPBK = 0)</td></tr><tr><td>Mode 2</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>Internal ENDEC Module Loopback (LPBK = 1)</td></tr><tr><td>Mode 3</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>External Loopback (LPBK = 0)</td></tr></table>		LB1	LB0		Mode 0	0	0	Normal Operation (LPBK = 0)	Mode 1	0	1	Internal NIC Module Loopback (LPBK = 0)	Mode 2	1	0	Internal ENDEC Module Loopback (LPBK = 1)	Mode 3	1	1	External Loopback (LPBK = 0)
	LB1	LB0																				
Mode 0	0	0	Normal Operation (LPBK = 0)																			
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Mode 2	1	0	Internal ENDEC Module Loopback (LPBK = 1)																			
Mode 3	1	1	External Loopback (LPBK = 0)																			
D3	ATD	AUTO TRANSMIT DISABLE: This bit allows another station to disable the DP83906's transmitter by transmission of a particular multicast packet. The transmitter can be re-enabled by resetting this bit or by reception of a second particular multicast packet. 0: Normal Operation 1: Reception of multicast address hashing to bit 62 disables transmitter, reception of multicast address hashing to bit 63 enables transmitter.																				
D4	OFST	COLLISION OFFSET ENABLE: This bit modifies the backoff algorithm to allow prioritization of nodes. 0: Backoff Logic implements normal algorithm. 1: Forces Backoff algorithm modification to 0 to $2^{mn(3 + n, 10)}$ slot times for first three collisions, then follows standard backoff. (For the first three collisions, the station has higher average backoff delay making a low priority mode.)																				
D5	—	RESERVED																				
D6	—	RESERVED																				
D7	—	RESERVED																				

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Transmit Status Register (TSR) 04H (Read)

This register records events that occur on the media during transmission of a packet. It is cleared when the next transmission is initiated by the host. All bits remain low unless the event that corresponds to a particular bit occurs during transmission. Each transmission should be followed by a read of this register. The contents of this register are not specified until after the first transmission.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
OWC	CDH	FU	CRS	ABT	COL	—	PTX

Bits	Symbols	Description
D0	PTX	PACKET TRANSMITTED: Indicates transmission without error. (No excessive collisions or FIFO underrun) (ABT = "0", FU = "0").
D1	—	RESERVED
D2	COL	TRANSMIT COLLIDED: Indicates that the transmission collided at least once with another station on the network. The number of collisions is recorded in the Number of Collisions Registers (NCR).
D3	ABT	TRANSMIT ABORTED: Indicates the DP83906 aborted transmission because of excessive collisions. (Total number of transmissions including original transmission attempt equals 16.)
D4	CRS	CARRIER SENSE LOST: This bit is set when carrier is lost during transmission of the packet. Transmission is not aborted on loss of carrier.
D5	FU	FIFO UNDERRUN: If the DP83906 cannot gain access of the bus before the FIFO empties, this bit is set. Transmission of the packet will be aborted.
D6	CDH	CD HEARTBEAT: Failure of the transceiver to transmit a collision signal after transmission of a packet will set this bit. The Collision Detect (CD) heartbeat signal must commence during the first 6.4 μ s of the Interframe Gap following a transmission. In certain collisions, the CD Heartbeat bit will be set even though the transceiver is not performing the CD heartbeat test.
D7	OWC	OUT OF WINDOW COLLISION: Indicates that a collision occurred after a slot time (51.2 μ s). Transmissions rescheduled as in normal collisions.

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Receive Configuration Register (RCR) 0CH (Write)

This register determines operation of the DP83906 during reception of a packet and is used to program what types of packets to accept.

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
—	—	—	PRO	AM	AB	AR	SEP

Bits	Symbols	Description
D0	SEP	SAVE ERRORED PACKETS: 0: Packets with receive errors are rejected. 1: Packets with receive errors are accepted. Receive errors are CRC and Frame Alignment errors.
D1	AR	ACCEPT RUNT PACKETS: This bit allows the receiver to accept packets that are smaller than 64 bytes. The packet must be at least 8 bytes long to be accepted as a runt. 0: Packets with fewer than 64 bytes rejected. 1: Packets with fewer than 64 bytes accepted.
D2	AB	ACCEPT BROADCAST: Enables the receiver to accept a packet with an all 1's destination address. 0: Packets with broadcast destination address rejected. 1: Packets with broadcast destination address accepted.
D3	AM	ACCEPT MULTICAST: Enables the receiver to accept a packet with a multicast address, all multicast addresses must pass the hashing array. 0: Packets with multicast destination address not checked. 1: Packets with multicast destination address checked.
D4	PRO	PROMISCUOUS PHYSICAL: Enables the receiver to accept all packets with a physical address. 0: Physical address of node must match the station address programmed in PAR0–PAR5. 1: All packets with physical addresses accepted.
D5	—	RESERVED (must be a 0)
D6	—	RESERVED
D7	—	RESERVED

Note: D2 and D3 are "OR'd" together, i.e., if D2 and D3 are set the DP83906 will accept broadcast and multicast addresses as well as its own physical address. To establish full promiscuous mode, bits D2, D3, and D4 should be set. In addition the multicast hashing array must be set to all 1's in order to accept all multicast addresses.

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Receive Status Register (RSR) 0CH (Read)

This register records status of the received packet, including information on errors and the type of address match, either physical or multicast. The contents of this register are written to buffer memory by the DMA after reception of a good packet. If packets with errors are to be saved the receive status is written to memory at the head of the erroneous packet if an erroneous packet is received. If packets with errors are to be rejected the RSR will not be written to memory. The contents will be cleared when the next packet arrives. CRC errors, Frame Alignment errors and missed packets are counted internally by the DP83906 which relinquishes the Host from reading the RSR in real time to record errors for Network Management Functions. The contents of this register are not specified until after the first reception.

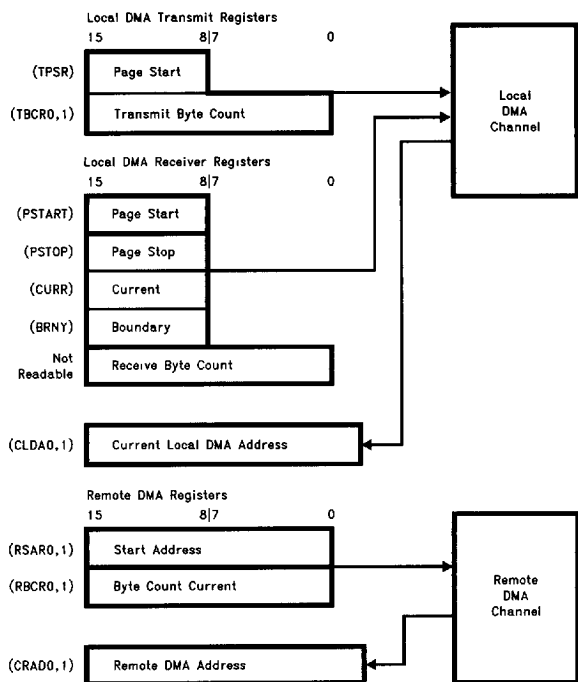
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
DFR	DIS	PHY	MPA	FO	FAE	CRC	PRX

Bits	Symbols	Description
D0	PRX	PACKET RECEIVED INTACT: Indicates packet received without error. (Bits CRC, FAE, FO, and MPA are zero for the received packet.)
D1	CRC	CRC ERROR: Indicates packet received with CRC error. Increments Tally Counter (CNTR1). This bit will also be set for Frame Alignment errors.
D2	FAE	FRAME ALIGNMENT ERROR: Indicates that the incoming packet did not end on a byte boundary and the CRC did not match at last byte boundary. Increments Tally Counter (CNTR0).
D3	FO	FIFO OVERRUN: This bit is set when the FIFO is not serviced causing overflow during reception. Reception of the packet will be aborted.
D4	MPA	MISSED PACKET: Set when packet intended for node cannot be accepted by SNIC because of a lack of receive buffers or if the controller is in monitor mode and did not buffer the packet to memory. Increments Tally Counter (CNTR2).
D5	PHY	PHYSICAL/MULTICAST ADDRESS: Indicates whether received packet had a physical or multicast address type. 0: Physical Address Match 1: Multicast/Broadcast Address Match
D6	RES	
D7	DFR	DEFERRING: Set when internal Carrier Sense or Collision signals are generated in the ENDEC module. If the transceiver has asserted the CD line as a result of the jabber, this bit will stay set indicating the jabber condition.

Note: Following coding applies to CRC and FAE bits

FAE	CRC	Type of Error
0	0	No Error (Good CRC and <6 Dnibble Bits)
0	1	CRC Error
1	0	Illegal, will not occur
1	1	Frame Alignment Error and CRC Error

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)



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FIGURE 15. DMA Registers

Note: In the figure above, registers are shown as 8-bit or 16 bits wide. Although some registers are 16-bit internal registers, all registers are accessed as 8-bit registers. Thus the 16-bit Transmit Byte Count Register is broken into two 8-bit registers, TBCR0 and TBCR1. Also TPSR, PSTART, PSTOP, CURR and BRNY only check or control the upper 8 bits of address information on the bus. Thus they are shifted to positions 15-8 in the diagram above.

5.3 DP8390 CORE DMA REGISTERS

The DMA Registers are partitioned into groups; Transmit, Receive and Remote DMA Registers. The Transmit registers are used to initialize the Local DMA Channel for transmission of packets while the Receive Registers are used to initialize the Local DMA Channel for packet Reception. The Page Stop, Page Start, Current and Boundary Registers are used by the Buffer Management Logic to supervise the Receive Buffer Ring. The Remote DMA Registers are used to initialize the Remote DMA.

Transmit DMA Registers

TRANSMIT PAGE START REGISTER (TPSR)

This register points to the assembled packet to be transmitted. Only the eight higher order addresses are specified since all transmit packets are assembled on 256-byte page boundaries. The bit assignment is shown below. The values placed in bits D7-D0 will be used to initialize the higher order address (A8-A15) of the Local DMA for transmission. The lower order bits (A7-A0) are initialized to zero.

Bit Assignment

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
TPSR	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8

(A7-A0 Initialized to 0)

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

TRANSMIT BYTE COUNT REGISTER 0,1 (TBCR0, TBCR1)

These two registers indicate the length of the packet to be transmitted in bytes. The count must include the number of bytes in the source, destination, length and data fields. The maximum number of transmit bytes allowed is 64 kbytes. The DP83906 will not truncate transmissions longer than 1500 bytes. The bit assignment is shown below:

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
TBCR1	L15	L14	L13	L12	L11	L10	L9	L8
	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
TBCR0	L7	L6	L5	L4	L3	L2	L1	L0

Local DMA Receive Registers

PAGE START STOP REGISTERS (PSTART, PSTOP)

The Page Start and Page Stop Registers program the starting and stopping address of the Receive Buffer Ring. Since the DP83906 uses fixed 256-byte buffers aligned on page boundaries only the upper eight bits of the start and stop address are specified.

PSTART, PSTOP bit assignment

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
PSTART	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8
PTOP	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8

BOUNDARY (BNRY) REGISTER

This register is used to prevent overflow of the Receive Buffer Ring. Buffer management compares the contents of this register to the next buffer address when linking buffers together. If the contents of this register match the next buffer address the Local DMA operation is aborted.

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
BNRY	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8

CURRENT PAGE REGISTER (CURR)

This register is used internally by the Buffer Management Logic as a backup register for reception. CURR contains the address of the first buffer to be used for a packet reception and is used to restore DMA pointers in the event of receive errors. This register is initialized to the same value as PSTART and should not be written to again unless the controller is Reset.

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CURR	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8

CURRENT LOCAL DMA REGISTER 0,1 (CLDA0,1)

These two registers can be accessed to determine the current Local DMA Address.

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CLDA1	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8
	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CLDA0	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0

Remote DMA Registers

REMOTE START ADDRESS REGISTERS (RSAR0,1)

Remote DMA operations are programmed via the Remote Start Address (RSAR0,1) and Remote Byte Count (RBCR0,1) registers. The Remote Start Address is used to point to the start of the block of data to be transferred and the Remote Byte Count is used to indicate the length of the block (in bytes).

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RSAR1	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8
	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RSAR0	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0

REMOTE BYTE COUNT REGISTERS (RBC0,1)

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RBCR1	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8
	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RBCR0	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0

Notes:

RSAR0 programs the start address bits A0-A7

RSAR1 programs the start address bits A8-A15

Address incremented by two for word transfers, and by one for byte transfers. Byte count decremented by two for word transfers and by one for byte transfers

RBCR0 programs LSB byte count

RBCR1 programs MSB byte count

CURRENT REMOTE DMA ADDRESS (CRDA0, CRDA1)

The Current Remote DMA Registers contain the current address of the Remote DMA. The bit assignment is shown below:

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CRDA1	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8
	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CRDA0	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0

Physical Address Registers (PAR0-PAR5)

The physical address registers are used to compare the destination address of incoming packets for rejecting or accepting packets. Comparisons are performed on a byte-wide basis. The bit assignment shown below relates the sequence in PAR0-PAR5 to the bit sequence of the received packet.

	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
PAR0	DA7	DA6	DA5	DA4	DA3	DA2	DA1	DA0
PAR1	DA15	DA14	DA13	DA12	DA11	DA10	DA9	DA8
PAR2	DA23	DA22	DA21	DA20	DA19	DA18	DA17	DA16
PAR3	DA31	DA30	DA29	DA28	DA27	DA26	DA25	DA24
PAR4	DA39	DA38	DA37	DA36	DA35	DA34	DA33	DA32
PAR5	DA47	DA46	DA45	DA44	DA43	DA42	DA41	DA40

5.0 Register Descriptions (Continued)

Destination Address					Source		
P/S	DA0	DA1	DA2	DA3	...	DA46	DA47 SA0 ...

Note: P/S = Preamble, Synch

DA0 = Physical/Multicast Bit

Multicast Address Registers (MAR0–MAR7)

The multicast address registers provide filtering of multicast addresses hashed by the CRC logic. All destination addresses are fed through the CRC logic and as the last bit of the destination address enters the CRC, the 6 most significant bits of the CRC generator are latched. These 6 bits are then decoded by a 1 of 64 decode to index a unique filter bit (FB0–63) in the multicast address registers. If the filter bit selected is set, the multicast packet is accepted. The system designer would use a program to determine which filter bits to set in the multicast registers. All multicast filter bits that correspond to multicast address accepted by the node are then set to one. To accept all multicast packets all of the registers are set to all ones.

Note: Although the hashing algorithm does not guarantee perfect filtering of multicast address, it will perfectly filter up to 64 multicast addresses if these addresses are chosen to map into unique locations in the multicast filter.

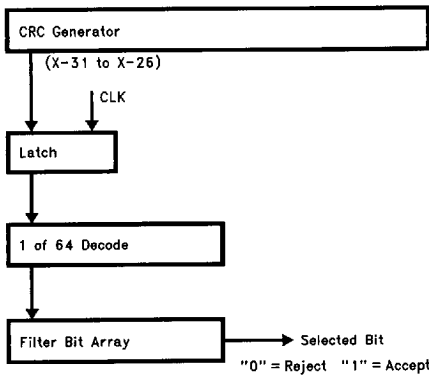


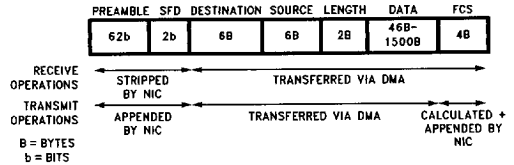
FIGURE 16. Multicast Addressing

6.0 Operation of DP83906

This section details the operation of the DP83906. The operations discussed are packet reception and transmission, bus operations, and loopback diagnostics.

6.1 TRANSMIT/RECEIVE PACKET ENCAPSULATION/DECAPSULATION

A standard IEEE 802.3 packet consists of the following fields: preamble, Start of Frame Delimiter (SFD), destination address, source address, length, data, and Frame Check Sequence (FCS). The typical format is shown in the figure following. The packets are Manchester encoded and decoded by the ENDEC module and transferred serially to the NIC module using NRZ data with a clock. All fields are of fixed length except for the data field. The DP83906 generates and appends the preamble, SFD and FCS field during transmission. The Preamble and SFD fields are stripped during reception. (The CRC is passed through to buffer memory during reception.)



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FIGURE 17. Ethernet Packet

Preamble and Start of Frame Delimiter (SFD)

The Manchester encoded alternating 1,0 preamble field is used by the ENDEC to acquire bit synchronization with an incoming packet. When transmitted each packet contains 62 bits of alternating 1,0 preamble. Some of this preamble will be lost as the packet travels through the network. The preamble field is stripped by the NIC module. Byte alignment is performed with the Start of Frame Delimiter (SFD) pattern which consists of two consecutive 1's. The DP83906 does not treat the SFD pattern as a byte, it detects only the two-bit pattern. This allows any preceding preamble within the SFD to be used for phase locking.

Destination Address

The destination address indicates the destination of the packet on the network and is used to filter unwanted packets from reaching a node. There are three types of address formats supported by the DP83906: physical, multicast and broadcast. The physical address is a unique address that corresponds only to a single node. All physical addresses have an MSB of "0". These addresses are compared to the internally stored physical address registers. Each bit in the destination address must match in order for the DP83906 to accept the packet. Multicast addresses begin with an MSB of "1". The DP83906 filters multicast addresses using a standard hashing algorithm that maps all multicast addresses into a 6-bit value. This 6-bit value indexes a 64-bit array that filters the value. If the address consists of all 1's it is a broadcast address, indicating that the packet is intended for all nodes. A promiscuous mode allows reception of all packets: the destination address is not required to match any filters. Physical, broadcast, multicast, and promiscuous address modes can be selected.

Source Address

The source address is the physical address of the node that sent the packet. Source addresses cannot be multicast or broadcast addresses. This field is simply passed to buffer memory.

Length Field

The 2-byte length field indicates the number of bytes that are contained in the data field of the packet. This field is not interpreted by the DP83906.

Data Field

The data field consists of anywhere from 46 to 1500 bytes. Messages longer than 1500 bytes need to be broken into multiple packets. Messages shorter than 46 bytes will re-

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)

quire appending a pad to bring the data field to the minimum length of 46 bytes. If the data field is padded, the number of valid data bytes is indicated in the length field. **The DP83906 does not strip or append pad bytes for short packets, or check for oversize packets.**

FCS Field

The Frame Check Sequence (FCS) is a 32-bit CRC field calculated and appended to a packet during transmission to allow detection of errors when a packet is received. During reception, error free packets result in a specific pattern in the CRC generator. Packets with improper CRC will be rejected. The AUTODIN II ($X^{32} + X^{26} + X^{23} + X^{22} + X^{16} + X^{12} + X^{11} + X^{10} + X^8 + X^7 + X^5 + X^4 + X^2 + X + 1$) polynomial is used for the CRC calculations.

6.2 BUFFER MEMORY ACCESS CONTROL (DMA)

The buffer memory control capabilities of the DP83906 greatly simplify the use of the DP83906 in typical configurations. The local DMA channel transfers data between the FIFO and memory. On transmission, the packet is DMA'd from memory to the FIFO in bursts. Should a collision occur (up to 15 times), the packet is re-transmitted with no processor intervention. On reception, packets are moved via DMA from the FIFO to the receive buffer ring (as explained below).

A Remote DMA channel is also provided on the DP83906 to accomplish transfers between a buffer memory and an internal Data Port.

For reference an example configuration using the DP83906 is shown in Figure 18.

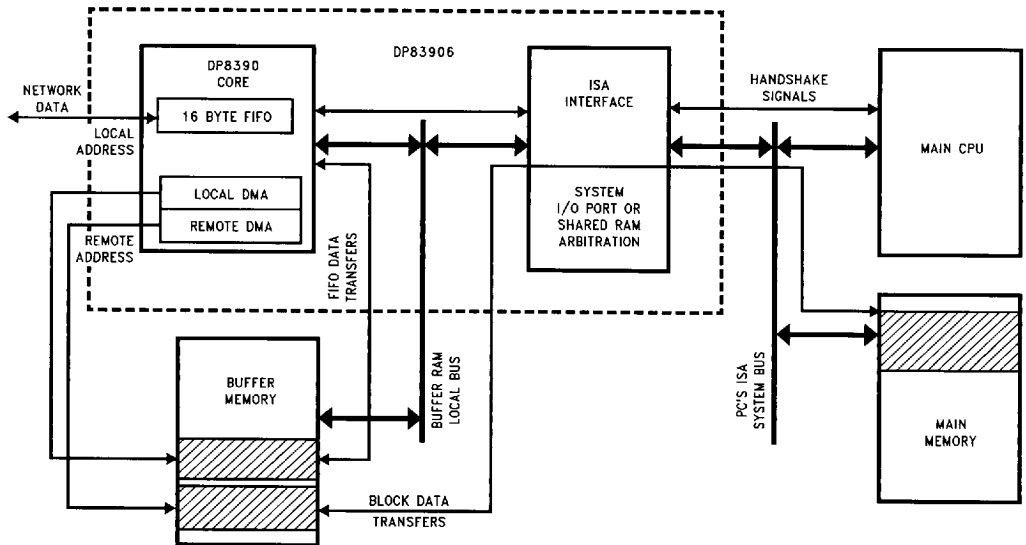


FIGURE 18. DP83906 Bus Architecture

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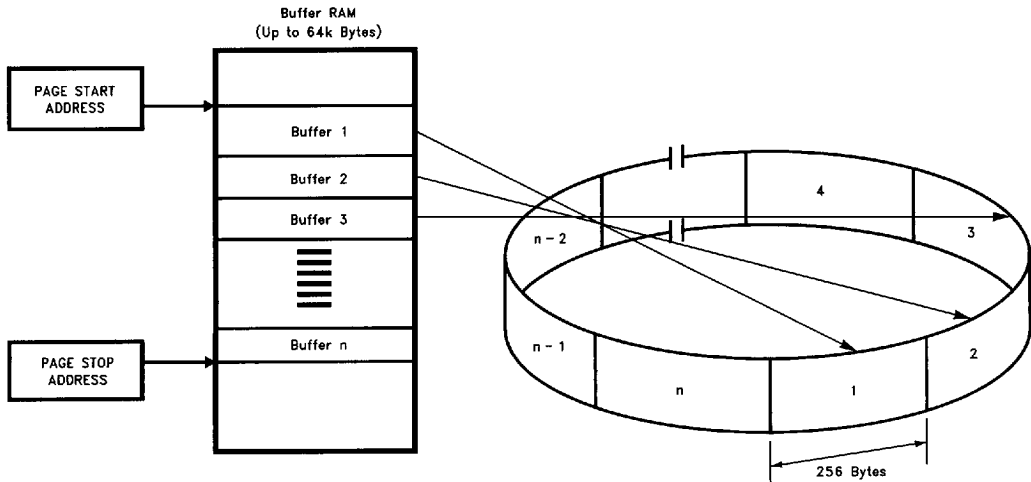


FIGURE 19. DP83906 Receive Buffer Ring

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6.3 PACKET RECEPTION

The Local DMA receive channel uses a Buffer Ring Structure comprised of a series of contiguous fixed length 256 byte (128 word) buffers for storage of received packets. The location of the Receive Buffer Ring is programmed in two registers, a Page Start and a Page Stop Register. Ethernet packets consist of a distribution of shorter link control packets and longer data packets, the 256 byte buffer length provides a good compromise between short packets and longer packets to most efficiently use memory. In addition these buffers provide memory resources for storage of back-to-back packets in loaded networks. The assignment of buffers for storing packets is controlled by Buffer Management Logic in the DP83906. The Buffer Management Logic provides three basic functions: linking receive buffers for long packets, recovery of buffers when a packet is rejected, and recirculation of buffer pages that have been read by the host.

At initialization, a portion of the 64 kbyte (or 32k word) address space is reserved for the receive buffer ring. Two eight bit registers, the Page Start Address Register (PSTART) and the Page Stop Address Register (PSTOP) define the physical boundaries of where the buffers reside. The DP83906 treats the list of buffers as a logical ring; whenever the DMA address reaches the Page Stop Address, the DMA is reset to the Page Start Address.

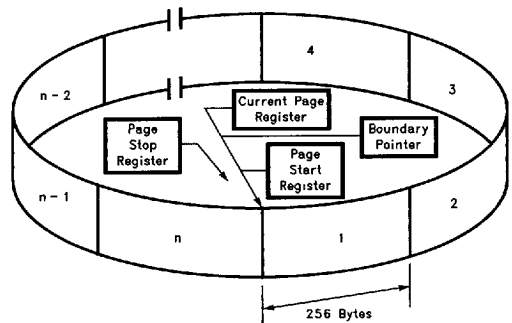


FIGURE 20. Buffer Ring at Initialization

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Initialization of the Buffer Ring

Two static registers and two working registers control the operation of the Buffer Ring. These are the Page Start Register, Page Stop Register (both described previously), the Current Page Register and the Boundary Pointer Register.

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Note 1: At initialization, the Page Start Register value should be loaded into both the Current Page Register and the Boundary Pointer Register if using the Send Packet command. If using manual remote reads, the Current Page Register must always remain 1 + Boundary Pointer.

Beginning of Reception

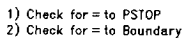
The diagram shows a circular packet structure divided into segments. The segments are labeled $n-2$, $n-1$, n , 1, 2, 3, and 4. Segment 1 is shaded and labeled "Begin Storing Packet". Segment n is labeled "Begin Data Reception". A "Current Page Register" points to segment n . A "4-Byte Offset for Packet Header" is indicated below segment n .

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Linking Receive Buffer Pages

match either the Boundary Pointer or Page Stop Address, the link to the next buffer is performed.

Before the DMA can enter the next contiguous 256 byte buffer, the address is checked for equality to PSTOP and to the Boundary Pointer. If neither are reached, the DMA is allowed to use the next buffer.



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Buffer Ring Overflow

In heavily loaded networks which cause overflows of the Receive Buffer Ring, the DP83906 may disable the local DMA and suspend further receptions even if the Boundary register is advanced beyond the Current register. In the event that the DP83906 should encounter a receive buffer overflow, it is necessary to implement the following routine. A receive buffer overflow is indicated by the DP83906's assertion of the overflow bit (OVW) in the Interrupt Status Register (ISR).

Note: It is necessary to define a variable in the driver, which will be called "Resend".

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4. Clear the DP83906's Remote Byte Count registers (RBCR0 and RBCR1).

5. Read the stored value of the TXP bit from step 1, above.

If this value is a 0, set the "Resend" variable to a 0 and jump to step 6.

If this value is a 1, read the DP83906's Interrupt Status Register. If either the Packet Transmitted bit (PTX) or Transmit Error bit (TXE) is set to a 1, set the "Resend" variable to a 0 and jump to step 6. If neither of these bits is set, place a 1 in the "Resend" variable and jump to step 6.

This step determines if there was a transmission in progress when the stop command was issued in step 2. If there was a transmission in progress, the DP83906's ISR is read to determine whether or not the packet was recognized by the DP83906. If neither the PTX nor TXE bit was set, then the packet will essentially be lost and re-transmitted only after a time-out takes place in the upper level software. By determining that the packet was lost at the driver level, a transmit command can be reissued to the DP83906 once the overflow routine is completed (as in step 11). Also, it is possible for the DP83906 to defer indefinitely, when it is stopped on a busy network. Step 5 also alleviates this problem. Step 5 is essential and should not be omitted from the overflow routine, in order for the DP83906 to operate correctly.

6. Place the DP83906 in either mode 1 or mode 2 loopback. This can be accomplished by setting bits D2 and D1, of the Transmit Configuration Register, to "0,1" or "1,0" respectively.
7. Issue the START command to the DP83906. This can be accomplished by writing 22H to the Command Register. This is necessary to activate the DP83906's Remote DMA channel.
8. Remove one or more packets from the receive buffer ring.
9. Reset the overwrite warning (OVW, overflow) bit in the Interrupt Status Register.
10. Take the DP83906 out of loopback. This is done by writing the Transmit Configuration Register with the value it contains during normal operation. (Bits D2 and D1 should both be programmed to 0.)
11. If the "Resend" variable is set to a 1, reset the "Resend" variable and reissue the transmit command. This is done by writing a value of 26H to the Command Register. If the "Resend" variable is 0, nothing needs to be done.

Note: When the DP83906 is in STOP mode, the Missed Packet Tally counter is disabled.

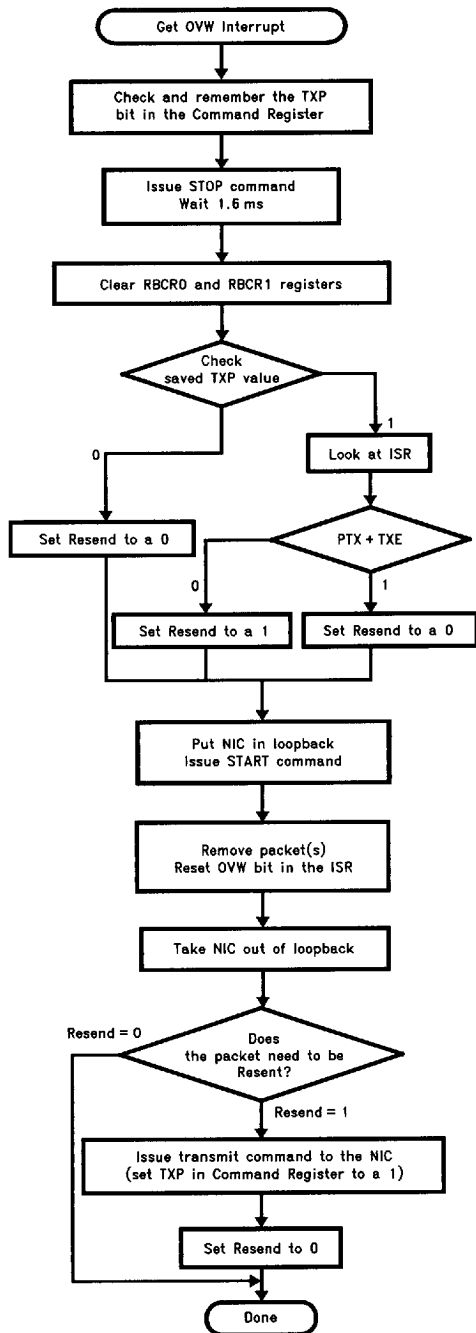
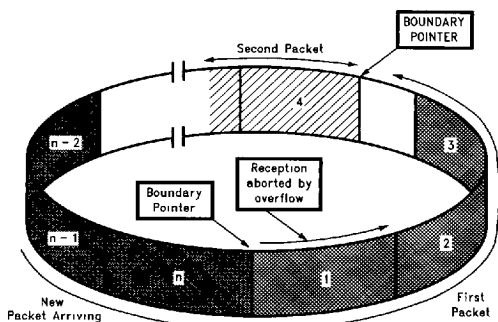


FIGURE 23. Overflow Routine

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FIGURE 24. Received Packet Aborted if it Hits Boundary

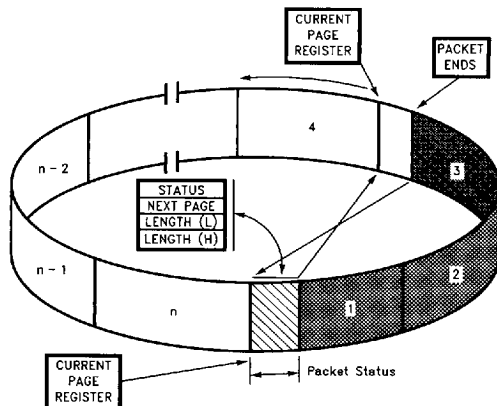
Enabling the DP83906 on an Active Network

After the DP83906 has been initialized the procedure for disabling and then re-enabling the DP83906 on the network is similar to handling Receive Buffer Ring overflow as described previously.

1. Program Command Register for page 0 (Command Register = 21H)
2. Initialize Data Configuration Register (DCR)
3. Clear Remote Byte Count Registers (RBCR0, RBCR1) if using Remote DMA
4. Initialize Receive Configuration Register (RCR)
5. Place the DP83906 in LOOPBACK mode 1 or 2 (Transmit Configuration Register = 02H or 04H)
6. Initialize Receive Buffer Ring: Boundary Pointer (BNDRY), Page Start (PSTART), and Page Stop (PSTOP)
7. Clear Interrupt Status Register (ISR) by writing 0FFH to it
8. Initialize Interrupt Mask Register (IMR)
9. Program Command Register for page 1 (Command Register = 61H)
 - i) Initialize Physical Address Registers (PAR0-PAR5)
 - ii) Initialize Multicast Address Registers (MAR0-MAR7)
 - iii) Initialize CURRENT pointer
10. Put DP83906 in START mode (Command Register = 22H). The local receive DMA is still not active since the DP83906 is in LOOPBACK.
11. Initialize the Transmit Configuration for the intended value. The DP83906 is now ready for transmission and reception.

End of Packet Operations

At the end of the packet the DP83906 determines whether the received packet is to be accepted or rejected. It either branches to a routine to store the Buffer Header or to another routine that recovers the buffers used to store the packet.



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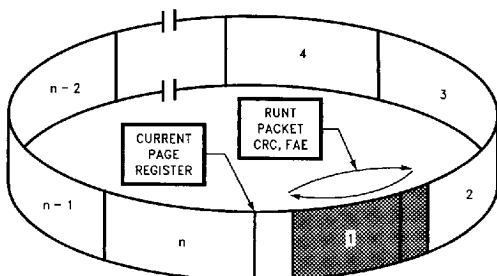
FIGURE 25. Termination of Received Packet—Packet Accepted

Successful Reception

If the packet is successfully received, the DMA is restored to the first buffer used to store the packet (pointed to by the Current Page Register). The DMA then stores the Receive Status, a Pointer to where the next packet will be stored (Buffer 4) and the number of received bytes. Note that the remaining bytes in the last buffer are discarded and reception of the next packet begins on the next empty 256-byte buffer boundary. The Current Page Register is then initialized to the next available buffer in the Buffer Ring. (The location of the next buffer had been previously calculated and temporarily stored in an internal scratchpad register.)

Buffer Recovery for Rejected Packets

If the packet is a runt packet or contains CRC or Frame Alignment errors, it is rejected. The buffer management logic resets the DMA back to the first buffer page used to store the packet (pointed to by CURR), recovering all buffers that had been used to store the rejected packet. This operation will not be performed if the DP83906 is programmed to accept either runt packets or packets with CRC or Frame Alignment errors. The received CRC is always stored in buffer memory after the last byte of received data for the packet.



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FIGURE 26. Termination of Receive Packet—Packet Reject

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)

Error Recovery

If the packet is rejected as shown, the DMA is restored by the DP83906 by reprogramming the DMA starting address pointed to by the Current Page Register.

Storage Format for Received Packets

The following diagrams describe the format for how received packets are placed into memory by the local DMA channel. These modes are selected in the Data Configuration Register.

AD15	AD8	AD7	AD0
Next Packet Pointer		Receive Status	
Receive Byte Count 1		Receive Byte Count 0	
Byte 2		Byte 1	

BOS = 0, WTS = 1 in Data Configuration Register. This format is used with Series 32xxx, or 808xx processors.

AD15	AD8	AD7	AD0
Next Packet Pointer		Receive Status	
Receive Byte Count 0		Receive Byte Count 1	
Byte 1		Byte 2	

BOS = 1, WTS = 1 in Data Configuration Register. This format is used with 680x0 type processors. (Note: The Receiver Count ordering remains the same for BOS = 0 or 1.)

Receive Status
Next Packet Pointer
Receive Byte Count 0
Receive Byte Count 1
Byte 0
Byte 1

BOS = 0, WTS = 0 in Data Configuration Register. This format is used with general 8-bit processors.

6.4 PACKET TRANSMISSION

The Local DMA is also used during transmission of a packet. Three registers control the DMA transfer during transmission, a Transmit Page Start Address Register (TPSR) and the Transmit Byte Count Registers (TBCR0,1). When the DP83906 receives a command to transmit the packet pointed to by these registers, buffer memory data will be moved into the FIFO as required during transmission. The DP83906 will generate and append the preamble, synch and CRC fields.

General Transmit Packet Format

Transmit	Destination Address	6 Bytes
Byte	Source Address	6 Bytes
Count	Type/Length	2 Bytes
TBCR0, 1	Data	≥ 46 Bytes
	Pad (If data < 46 Bytes)	

Transmit Packet Assembly

The DP83906 requires a contiguous assembled packet with the format shown. The transmit byte count includes the Destination Address, Source Address, Length Field and Data. It does not include preamble and CRC. When transmitting data smaller than 46 bytes, the packet must be padded to a minimum size of 64 bytes. The programmer is responsible for adding and stripping pad bytes.

The packets are placed in the buffer RAM by the system. The system programs the NIC Core's Remote DMA to mode the data from the data port to the RAM handshake.

Transmission

Prior to transmission, the TPSR (Transmit Page Start Register) and TBCR0, TBCR1 (Transmit Byte Count Registers) must be initialized. To initiate transmission of the packet the TXP bit in the Command Register is set. The Transmit Status Register (TSR) is cleared and the DP83906 begins to prefetch transmit data from memory (unless the DP83906 is currently receiving). If the interframe gap has timed out the DP83906 will begin transmission.

Conditions Required to Begin Transmission

In order to transmit a packet, the following three conditions must be met:

1. The Interframe Gap Timer has timed out the first 6.4 μ s of the Interframe Gap
2. At least one byte has entered the FIFO. (This indicates that the burst transfer has been started)
3. If a collision had been detected then before transmission the packet time must have timed out.

In typical systems the DP83906 prefetches the first burst of bytes before the 6.4 μ s timer expires. The time during which DP83906 transmits preamble can also be used to load the FIFO.

Note: If carrier sense is asserted before a byte has been loaded into the FIFO, the DP83906 will become a receiver

Collision Recovery

During transmission, the Buffer Management logic monitors the transmit circuitry to determine if a collision has occurred. If a collision is detected, the Buffer Management logic will reset the FIFO and restore the Transmit DMA pointers for retransmission of the packet. The COL bit will be set in the TSR and the NCR (Number of Collisions Register) will be incremented. If 15 retransmissions each result in a collision the transmission will be aborted and the ABT bit in the TSR will be set.

Note: NCR reads as zeroes if excessive collisions are encountered.

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Transmit Packet Assembly Format

The following diagrams describe the format for how packets must be assembled prior to transmission for different byte ordering schemes. The various formats are selected in the Data Configuration Register.

D15	D8	D7	D0
Destination Address 1	Destination Address 0		
Destination Address 3	Destination Address 2		
Destination Address 5	Destination Address 4		
Source Address 1	Source Address 0		
Source Address 3	Source Address 2		
Source Address 5	Source Address 4		
Type/Length 1	Type/Length 0		
Data 1	Data 0		

BOS = 1, WTS = 1 in Data Configuration Register.

This format is used with Series 32xxx, or 808xx processors.

D15	D8	D7	D0
Destination Address 0	Destination Address 1		
Destination Address 2	Destination Address 3		
Destination Address 4	Destination Address 5		
Source Address 0	Source Address 1		
Source Address 2	Source Address 3		
Source Address 4	Source Address 5		
Type/Length 0	Type/Length 1		
Data 0	Data 1		

BOS = 1, WTS = 1 in Data Configuration Register.

This format is used with 680x0 type processors.

D7	D0
Destination Address 0	
Destination Address 1	
Destination Address 2	
Destination Address 3	
Destination Address 4	
Destination Address 5	
Source Address 0	
Source Address 1	
Source Address 2	
Source Address 3	
Source Address 4	
Source Address 5	

BOS = 0, WTS = 0 in a Data Configuration Register.

This format is used with 8-bit processors.

Note: All examples above will result in a transmission of a packet in order of DA0, DA1, DA3 . bits within each byte will be transmitted least significant bit first.

DA = Destination Address

6.5 LOOPBACK DIAGNOSTICS

Three forms of local loopback are provided on the DP83906. The user has the ability to loopback through the deserializer on the controller, through the ENDEC module or transceiver. **Because of the half duplex architecture of the DP83906, loopback testing is a special mode of operation with the following restrictions:**

Restrictions during Loopback

The FIFO is split into two halves, one half is used for transmission the other for reception. Only 8-bit fields can be fetched from memory so two tests are required for 16-bit systems to verify integrity of the entire data path. During loopback the maximum latency to obtain access to the buffer memory is 2.0 μ s. Systems that wish to use the loopback test yet do not meet this latency can limit the loopback packet to 7 bytes without experiencing underflow. Only the last 8 bytes of the loopback packet are retained in the FIFO. The last 8 bytes can be read through the FIFO register which will advance through the FIFO to allow reading the receive packet sequentially.

Destination Address	=	6 bytes Station Physical Address
Source Address	=	6 bytes Station Physical Address
Length	=	2 bytes
Data	=	46 to 1500 bytes
CRC	=	Appended by DP83906 if CRC = 0 in TCR

When in word-wide mode with Byte Order Select set, the loopback packet must be assembled in the even byte locations as shown below. (The loopback only operated with byte wide transfers.)

LS Byte (D8-15)	MS Byte (D0-7)
	Destination
	Source
	Length
	Data
	CRC

WTS = 1

BOS = 1

(DCR Bits)

When in word-wide mode with Byte Order Select low, the following format must be used for the loopback packet.

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MS Byte (D8-15)	LS Byte (D0-7)
Destination	
Source	
Length	
Data	
CRC	

WTS = 1 BOS = 1 (DCR Bits)

Note: When using loopback in word mode 2n bytes must be programmed in the TBCR0, 1. When n = actual number of bytes assembled in even or odd location.

To initiate a loopback the user first assembles the loopback packet then selects the type of loopback using the Transmit Configuration register bits LB0, LB1. The transmit configuration register must also be set to enable or disable CRC generation during transmission. The user then issues a normal transmit command to send the packet. During loopback the receiver checks for an address match and if CRC bit in the TCR is set, the receiver will also check the CRC. The last 8 bytes of the loopback packet are buffered and can read out of the FIFO using FIFO read port.

Loopback Modes

MODE1: Loopback through the DP83906 Module (LB1 = 0, LB0 = 1): If this loopback is used, the DP83906 Module's serializer is connected to the deserializer.

MODE 2: Loopback through the ENDEC Module (LB1 = 1, LB0 = 0): If the loopback is to be performed through the SNI, the DP83906 provides a control (LPBK) that forces the ENDEC module to loopback all signals.

MODE 3: Loopback to the external coax interface or twisted pair interface module (LB1 = 1, LB0 = 1).

Packets can be transmitted to the cable in loopback mode to check all of the transmit and receive paths and the cable itself. If, in twisted pair mode, there is a link fail the transmitter will be disabled which could give misleading results in Mode 3.

Reading the Loopback Packet

The last eight bytes of a received packet can be examined by 8 consecutive reads of the FIFO register. The FIFO pointer is incremented after the rising edge of the CPU's read strobe by internally synchronizing and advancing the pointer. This may take up to four bus clock cycles, if the pointer has not been incremented by the time the CPU reads the FIFO register again, the DP83906 will insert wait states.

Note: The FIFO may only be read during Loopback. Reading the FIFO at any other time will cause the DP83906 to malfunction.

Alignment of the Received Packet in the FIFO

Reception of the packet in the FIFO begins at location zero, after the FIFO pointer reaches the last location in the FIFO, the pointer wraps to the top of the FIFO overwriting the previously received data. This process is continued until the last byte is received. The DP83906 then appends the re-

ceived byte count in the next two locations of the FIFO. The contents of the Upper Byte Count are also copied to the next FIFO location. The number of bytes used in the loopback packet determined the alignment of the packet in the FIFO. The alignment for a 64-byte packet is shown below.

FIFO Location	FIFO Contents	
0	Lower Byte Count	→ First Byte Read
1	Upper Byte count	→ Second Byte Read
2	Upper Byte Count	•
3	Last Byte	•
4	CRC1	•
5	CRC2	•
6	CRC3	•
7	CRC4	→ Last Byte Read

For the following alignment in the FIFO the packet length should be $(N \times 8) + 5$ Bytes. Note that if the CRC bit in the TCR is set, CRC will not be appended by the transmitter. If the CRC is appended by the transmitter, the 1st four bytes, bytes N-3 to N, correspond to the CRC.

FIFO Location	FIFO Contents	
0	Byte N-4	→ First Byte Read
1	Byte N-3 (CRC1)	→ Second Byte Read
2	Byte N-2 (CRC2)	•
3	Byte N-1 (CRC3)	•
4	Byte N (CRC4)	•
5	Lower Byte Count	•
6	Upper Byte Count	•
7	Upper Byte Count	→ Last Byte Read

Loopback Tests

Loopback capabilities are provided to allow certain tests to be performed to validate operation of the DP83906 prior to transmitting and receiving packets on a live network. Typically these tests may be performed during power up of a node. The diagnostic provides support to verify the following:

1. Verify integrity of data path. Received data is checked against transmitted data.
2. Verify CRC logic's capability to generate good CRC on transmit, verify CRC on receive (good or bad CRC).
3. Verify that the Address Recognition Logic can
 - a. Recognize address match packets
 - b. Reject packets that fail to match an address

Loopback Operation in the DP83906

Loopback is a modified form of transmission using only half of the FIFO. This places certain restrictions on the use of loopback testing. When loopback mode is selected in the TCR, the FIFO is split. A packet should be assembled in

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memory with programming of TPCR and TBCR0, TBCR1 registers. When the transmit command is issued the following operations occur:

TRANSMITTER ACTIONS

1. Data is transferred from memory by the DMA until the FIFO is filled. For each transfer TBCR0 and TBCR1 are decremented. (Subsequent burst transfers are initiated when the number of bytes in the FIFO drops below the programmed threshold.)
2. The DP83906 generates 56 bits of preamble followed by an 8-bit synch pattern.
3. Data transferred from FIFO to serializer.
4. If CRC = 1 in TCR, no CRC calculated by DP83906, the last byte transmitted is the last byte from the FIFO (allows software CRC to be appended). If CRC = 0, DP83906 calculates and appends four bytes of CRC.
5. At end of Transmission PTX bit set in ISR.

RECEIVER ACTIONS

1. Wait for synch, all preamble stripped.
2. Store packet in FIFO, increment receive byte count for each incoming byte.
3. If CRC = 0 in TRC, receiver checks incoming packet for CRC errors. If CRC = 1 in TCR, receiver does not check CRC errors, CRC error bit always set in RSR (for address matching packets).
4. At end of receive, receive byte count written into FIFO, receive status register is updated. The PRX bit is typically set in the RSR even if the address does not match. If CRC errors are forced, the packet must match the address filters in order for the CRC error bit in the RS to be set.

EXAMPLES

The following examples show what results can be expected from a properly operating DP83906 during loopback. The restrictions and results of each type of loopback are listed for reference. The loopback tests are divided into two sets of tests. One to verify the data path, CRC generation and byte count through all three paths. The second set of tests uses internal loopback to verify the receiver's CRC checking and address recognition. For all of the tests the DCR was programmed to 40H.

Path	TCR	RCR	TSR	RSR	ISR
DP83906 Internal	02	00	53 (Note 1)	02 (Note 2)	02 (Note 3)

Note 1: Since carrier sense and collision detect are generated in the ENDEC module. They are blocked during internal loopback, carrier and CD heartbeat are not seen and the CRS and CDH bits are set

Note 2: CRC errors are always indicated by receiver if CRC is appended by the transmitter

Note 3: Only the PTX bit in the ISR is set, the PRX bit is only set if status is written to memory. In loopback this action does not occur and the PRX bit remains 0 for all loopback modes

Note 4: All values are hex

Path	TCR	RCR	TSR	RSR	ISR
DP83906 Internal	04	00	43 (Note 1)	02	02

Note 1: CDH is set, CRS is not set since it is generated by the external encoder/decoder.

Path	TCR	RCR	TSR	RSR	ISR
DP83906 External	06	00	03 (Note 1)	02	02 (Note 2)

Note 1: CDH and CRS should not be set. The TSR however, could also contain 01H, 03H, 07H and a variety of other values depending on whether collisions were encountered or the packet was deferred.

Note 2: Will contain 08H if packet is not transmittable.

Note 3: During external loopback the DP83906 is now exposed to network traffic, it is therefore possible for the contents of both the Receive portion of the FIFO and the RSR to be corrupted by any other packet on the network. Thus in a live network the contents of the FIFO and RSR should not be depended on. The DP83906 will still abide by the standard CSMA/CD protocol in external loopback mode (i.e., the network will not be disturbed by the loopback packet)

Note 4: All values are hex

CRC and Address Recognition

The next three tests exercise the address recognition logic and CRC. These tests should be performed using internal loopback only so that the DP83906 is isolated from interference from the network. These tests also require the capability to generate CRC in software.

The address recognition logic cannot be directly tested. The CRC and FAE bits in the RSR are only set if the address in the packet matches the address filters. If errors are expected to be set and they are not set, the packet has been rejected on the basis of an address mismatch. The following sequence of packets will test the address recognition logic. The DCR should be set to 40H, the TCR should be set to 03H with a software generated CRC.

Packet Contents		Results	
Test	Address	CRC	RSR
Test A	Matching	Good	01 (Note 1)
Test B	Matching	Bad	02 (Note 2)
Test C	Non-Matching	Bad	01

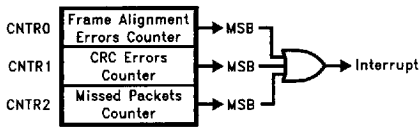
Note 1: Status will read 21H if multicast address used

Note 2: Status will read 22H if multicast address used

Note 3: In test A, the RSR is set up. In test B the address is found to match since the CRC is flagged as bad. Test C proves that the address recognition logic can distinguish a bad address and does not notify the RSR of the bad CRC. The receiving CRC is proven to work in test A and test B

Note 4: All values are hex

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FIGURE 27. Tally Counters

Network Management Functions

Network management capabilities are required for maintenance and planning of a local area network. The DP83906 supports the minimum requirement for network management in hardware, the remaining requirements can be met with software. Software alone can not track during reception of packets: CRC errors, Frame Alignment errors, and missed packets, *Figure 27*.

Since errored packets can be rejected, the status associated with these packets is lost unless the CPU can access the Receive Status Register before the next packet arrives. In situations where another packet arrives very quickly, the CPU may have no opportunity to do this. The DP83906 counts the number of packets with CRC errors and Frame Alignment errors. 8-bit counters have been selected to reduce overhead. The counters will generate interrupts whenever their MSBs are set so that a software routine can accumulate the network statistics and reset the counter before overflow occurs. The counters are sticky so that when they reach a count of 192 (C0H) counting is halted. An additional counter is provided to count the number of packets the DP83906 misses due to buffer overflow or being offline.

The structure of the counters is shown in *Figure 27*.

Additional information required for network management is available in the Receive and Transmit Status Registers. Transmit status is available after each transmission for information regarding events during transmission.

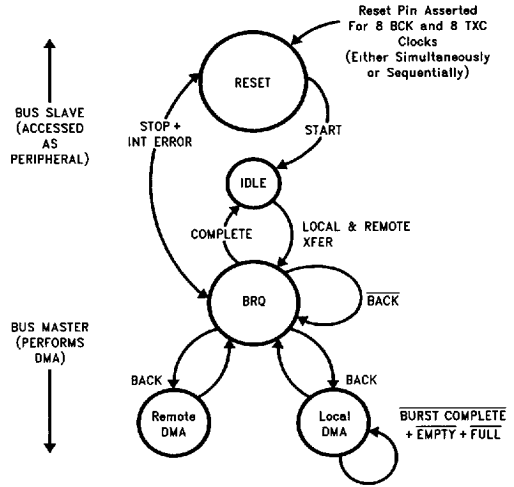
Typically, the following statistics might be gathered in software:

- Traffic:** Frames Sent OK
Frames Received OK
Multicast Frames Received
Packets Lost Due to Lack of Resources
Retries/Packet
- Errors:** CRC Errors
Alignment Errors
Excessive Collisions
Packet with Length Errors
Heartbeat Failure

6.6 MEMORY ARBITRATION AND BUS OPERATION

The DP83906 will always operate as a slave device on its peripheral interface to the ISA bus. However on the memory bus, the DP83906 operates in three possible modes:

1. Bus Master of Local Packet Buffer RAM
2. Bus Slave when accessed by the CPU via the Bus Interface
3. Idle, when no activity is occurring.



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FIGURE 28. DP8390 Core Bus States

Upon power-up the DP83906 is in an indeterminate state. After receiving a hardware reset the DP83906 is a bus slave in the Reset State, the receiver and transmitter are both disabled in this state. The reset state can be re-entered under four conditions, soft reset (Stop Command), register reset (reset port), hard reset (RESET input) or an error that shuts down the receiver or transmitter (FIFO underflow or overflow, receive buffer ring overflow).

After initialization of registers, the DP83906 is issued a Start command and the DP83906 enters Idle state. Until the DMA is required the DP83906 remains in idle state.

The idle state is exited and the DP83906 will drive the local memory bus when a request from the FIFO in the DP8390 (NIC) core causes the memory bus interface logic to issue a read or write operation, such as when the DP83906 is transmitting or receiving data.

The NIC Core's Remote DMA also requests access from the memory bus. When software programs an I/O data transfer between the CPU and the buffer RAM, the Remote DMA controls this request.

All Local DMA transfers are burst transfers, the DMA will transfer an exact burst of bytes programmed in the Data Configuration Register (DCR) then relinquish the memory bus. If there are remaining bytes in the FIFO the next burst will not be initiated until the FIFO threshold is exceeded.

Memory Arbitration

The DP83906 transfers data to and from the packet buffer RAM by utilizing the Remote DMA logic which is programmed by the main system CPU to transfer data through the DP83906's internal data port register.

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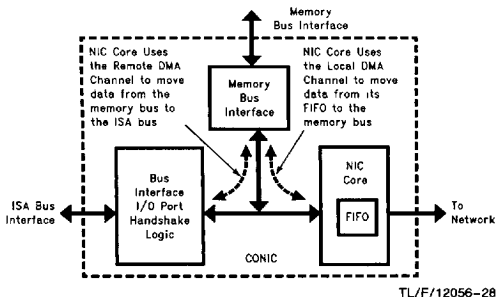


FIGURE 29. I/O Operation: All Data Transfers and Arbitration is Controlled by the NIC Core

INTERLEAVED LOCAL/REMOTE OPERATION

The remote DMA is used to transfer data to/from the main system. If a remote DMA transfer is initiated or in progress when a packet is being received or transmitted, the Remote DMA transfers will be interrupted for higher priority Local DMA transfers. When the Local DMA transfer is completed the Remote DMA will re-arbitrate for the bus and continue its transfers.

If the FIFO requires service while a remote DMA is in progress the Local DMA burst is appended to the Remote Transfer. When switching from a local transfer to a remote transfer there is a break to allow the CPU to fairly contend for the bus.

REMOTE DMA BI-DIRECTIONAL PORT

The Remote DMA transfers data between the local buffer memory and the internal bidirectional port (memory to I/O transfer).

This transfer is arbitrated on a transfer by transfer basis versus the burst transfer mode used for Local DMA transfers. This bidirectional port is integrated onto the DP83906, and is read/written by the host. All transfers through this port are asynchronous. At any one time transfers are limited to one direction, either from the port to local buffer memory (Remote Write) or from local buffer memory to the port (Remote Read).

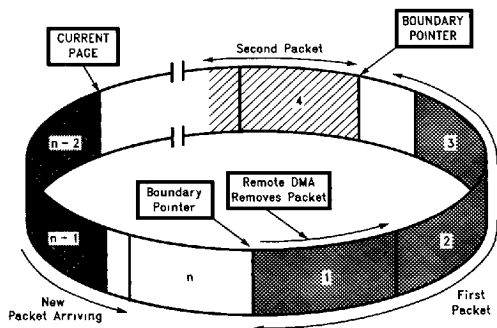


FIGURE 30. 1st Received Packet Removed by Remote DMA

I/O MODE REMOVING PACKETS FROM RING

Network activity is isolated on a local bus, where the DP83906's local DMA channel performs burst transfers between the buffer memory and the DP83906's FIFO. The Remote DMA transfers data between the buffer memory and the host memory via the internal bidirectional I/O port. The Remote DMA provides local addressing capability and is used as a slave DMA by the host. The host system reads the I/O port to transfer data between the system and I/O port. The DP83906 allows Local and Remote DMA operations to be interleaved.

Packets are removed from the ring using the Remote DMA. When using the Remote DMA the Send Packet command can be used. This programs the Remote DMA to automatically remove the received packet pointed to by the Boundary Pointer. At the end of the transfer, the DP83906 moves the Boundary Pointer, freeing additional buffers for reception. The Boundary Pointer can also be moved manually by programming the Boundary Register. Care should be taken to keep the Boundary Pointer at least one buffer behind the Current Page Pointer.

The following is a suggested method for maintaining the Receive Buffer Ring pointers.

1. At initialization, set up a software variable (next_pkt) to indicate where the next packet will be read. At the beginning of each Remote Read DMA operation, the value of next_pkt will be loaded into RSAR0 and RSAR1.
2. When initializing the DP83906 set:
 $BNDY = PSTART$
 $CURR = PSTART + 1$
 $next_pkt = PSTART + 1$
3. After a packet is DMAed from the Receive Buffer Ring, the Next Page Pointer (second byte in the DP83906 buffer header is used to update BNDY and next_pkt.
 $next_pkt = \text{Next Page Pointer}$
 $BNDY = \text{Next Page Pointer} - 1$
 If $BNDY < PSTART$ then $BNDY = PSTOP - 1$

Note the size of the Receive Buffer Ring is reduced by one 256 byte buffer, this will not, however, impede the operation of the DP83906. The advantage of this scheme is that it easily differentiates between buffer full and buffer empty: it is full if $BNDY = CURR$; empty when $BNDY = CURR - 1$. If send packet is used to empty the buffer ring this scheme cannot be used. BNDY must be initialized equal to CURR, or the first executed send packet will not return data from the received packet, which will be written at CURR. The Overwrite Warning bit of the Interrupt Status Register must be used in this mode to differentiate between buffer full and buffer empty.

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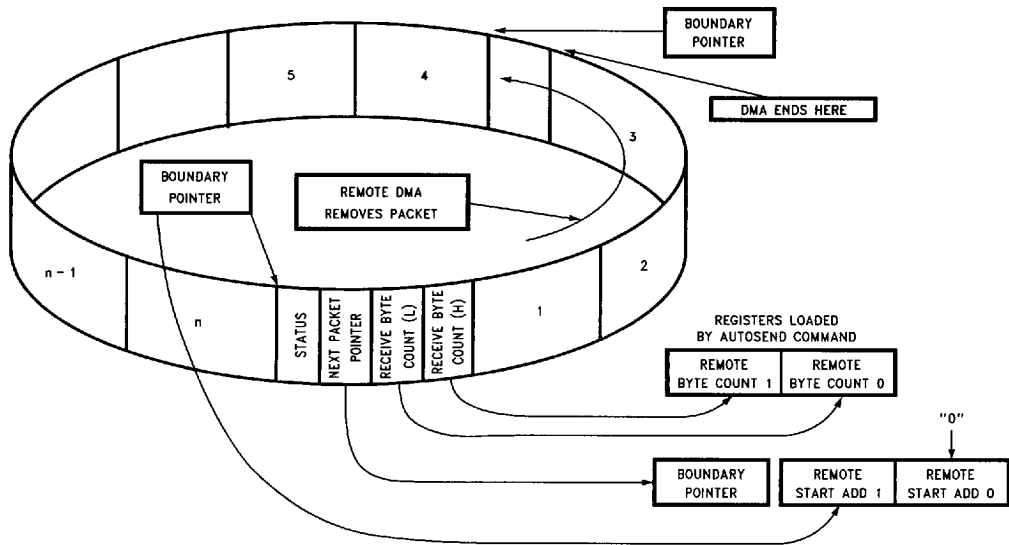


FIGURE 31. Remote DMA Autoinitialization from Buffer Ring

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I/O REMOTE DMA COMMANDS

The Remote DMA channel is used to both assemble packets for transmission, and to remove received packets from the Receive Buffer Ring. There are three modes of Remote DMA operation: Remote Write, Remote Read, or Send Packet.

Two register pairs are used to control the Remote DMA, a Remote Start Address (RSAR0, RSAR1) and a Remote Byte Count (RBCR0, RBCR1) register pair. The Start Address Register pair points to the beginning of the block to be moved while the Byte Count Register pair is used to indicate the number of bytes to be transferred. Full handshake logic is provided to move data between local buffer memory and a bidirectional I/O port.

Remote Write: A Remote Write transfer is used to move a block of data from the host into local buffer memory. The Remote DMA will read data from the I/O port and sequentially write it to local buffer memory beginning at the Remote Start Address. The DMA Address will be incremented and the Byte Counter will be decremented after each transfer. The DMA is terminated when the Remote Byte Count Register reaches a count of zero.

Remote Read: A Remote Read transfer is used to move a block of data from local buffer memory to the host. The Remote DMA will sequentially read data from the local buffer memory, beginning at the Remote Start Address, and write data to the I/O port. The DMA Address will be incremented and the Byte Counter will be decremented after each transfer. The DMA is terminated when the Remote Byte Count Register reaches zero.

Send Packet Command: The Remote DMA channel can be automatically initialized to transfer a single packet from the Receive Buffer Ring. The CPU begins this transfer by issuing a "Send Packet" Command. The DMA will be initialized to the value of the Boundary Pointer Register and the Remote Byte Count Register pair (RBCR0, RBCR1) will be initialized to the value of the Receive Byte Count fields found in the Buffer Header of each packet. After the data is transferred, the Boundary Pointer is advanced to allow the buffers to be used for new receive packets. The Remote Read will terminate when the Byte Count equals zero. The Remote DMA is then prepared to read the next packet from the Receive Buffer Ring. If the DMA pointer crosses the Page Stop Register, it is reset to the Page Start Address. This allows the Remote DMA to remove packets that have wrapped around to the top of the Receive Buffer Ring.

Note 1: In order for the DP83906 to correctly execute the Send Packet command, the upper Remote Byte Count Register (RBCR1) must first be loaded with 0FH.

Note 2: The Send Packet command cannot be used with 680x0 type processors.

I/O READ TIMING

1. The DMA reads a word from local buffer memory and writes the word into the internal latch, increments the DMA address and decrements the byte count (RBCR0,1).
2. Internally a request line is asserted to enable the system to read the port. If the system reads this port before the data has been written, then the system is sent a wait signal to wait until the data has been written to the port. Once written the system's read is allowed to complete.
3. The system reads the port, the read strobe for the port is used as an acknowledge to the Remote DMA and it goes back to step 1.

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Steps 1–3 are repeated until the remote DMA is complete (i.e., the byte count has gone to zero).

Note that in order for the Remote DMA to transfer a word from memory to the latch, it must arbitrate access to the local buffer RAM. After each word is transferred to the internal latch, access to the RAM is relinquished. If a Local DMA is in progress, the Remote DMA is held off until the local DMA is complete.

I/O WRITE TIMING

A Remote Write operation transfers data from the I/O port to the local buffer RAM. The system transfers a byte-word to the latch via \overline{IOWR} . This write strobe is detected by the DP83906 and the byte/word is transferred to local buffer memory. The Remote DMA holds off further transfers into the latch until the current byte/word has been transferred from the latch.

1. DP83906 awaits data to be written by the system. System writes byte/word into latch.

2. Remote DMA reads contents of port and writes byte/word to local buffer memory, increments address and decrements byte count (RBCR0,1).
3. Go back to step 1.

Steps 1–3 are repeated until the remote DMA is complete.

6.7 FUNCTIONAL BUS TIMING

This section describes the bus cycles that the DP83906 performs. These timings can be subdivided into 2 basic categories:

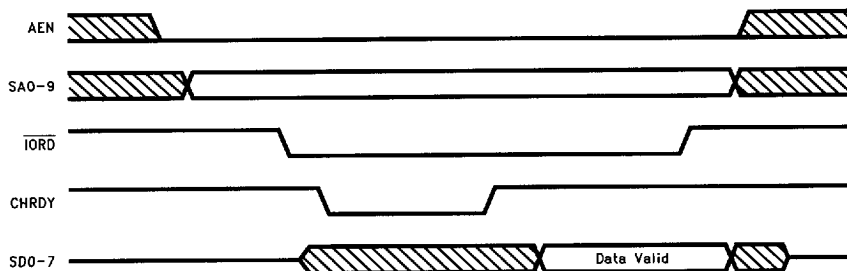
1. ISA I/O Access: There are register accesses in both modes, and I/O data accesses in I/O mode.
2. Local and I/O RAM Accesses: This is the timing of the Local DMA, accesses from the NIC Core FIFO to the RAM, and the Remote DMA accesses to the RAM over the memory bus.

ISA Bus I/O Accesses

The DP83906 is designed to directly interface to the ISA bus (PC-AT backplane bus). The CPU can read or write any internal registers. All register accesses are byte wide. The functional timing for DP83906 accesses are shown in the following pages.

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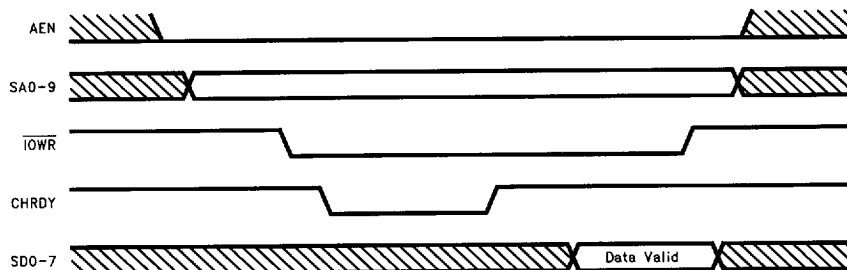
8-Bit I/O Slave Read



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This is the type of cycle used to read from a register or, in 8-bit mode, from a data transfer port. These accesses are entirely asynchronous, with the DP83906 responding when it decodes the correct address on SA0-9 and an $\overline{\text{IORD}}$. If AEN is high the cycle will be ignored. CHRDY is deasserted if the DP83906 is not ready to respond and asserted when ready. If it is ready immediately CHRDY is not deasserted. The data will always appear on SD0-7.

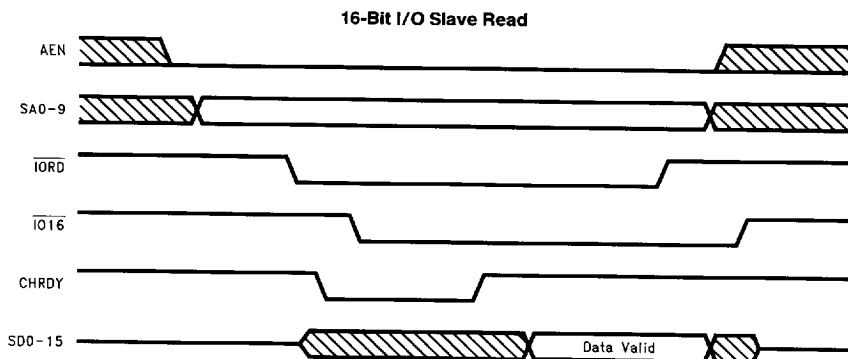
8-Bit I/O Slave Write



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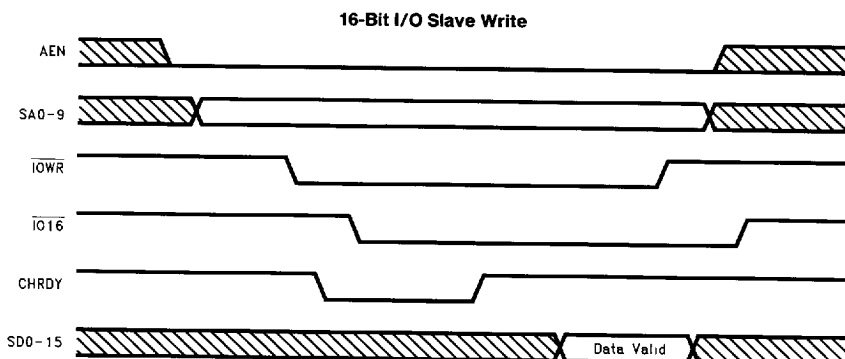
This is the type of cycle used to write to a register or, in 8-bit mode, to a data transfer port. These accesses are entirely asynchronous, with the DP83906 responding when it decodes the correct address on SA0-9 and an $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$. If AEN is high the cycle will be ignored. CHRDY is deasserted if the DP83906 is not ready to respond and asserted when ready. If it is ready immediately CHRDY is not deasserted. The data will always be taken from SD0-7.

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)



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This is the type of cycle used to read from a data transfer port in 16-bit mode. These accesses are entirely asynchronous, with the DP83906 responding when it decodes the correct address on SA0-9 and an $\overline{\text{IORD}}$. If AEN is high the cycle will be ignored. CHRDY is deasserted if the DP83906 is not ready to respond and asserted when ready. If it is ready immediately CHRDY is not deasserted. $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ is generated, when an address within the DP83906's data transfer port is decoded, to indicate to the system that this is a 16-bit transfer. If the IO16CON bit in Configuration Register B is low then it will be a straight decode of the SA0-9 lines. If that bit is high the $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ output will be generated after $\overline{\text{IORD}}$ goes active, to indicate that this is a 16-bit transfer, and the address should be even, SA0 low. The data will appear on SD0-15.



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This is the type of cycle used to write to a data transfer port in 16-bit mode. These accesses are entirely asynchronous, with the DP83906 responding when it decodes the correct address on SA0-9 and an $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$. If AEN is high the cycle will be ignored. CHRDY is deasserted if the DP83906 is not ready to respond and asserted when ready. If it is ready immediately CHRDY is not deasserted. $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ is generated, when an address within the DP83906's data transfer port is decoded, to indicate to the system that this is a 16-bit transfer. If the IO16CON bit in Configuration Register B is low then it will be a straight decode of the SA0-9 lines. If that bit is high the $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ output will be generated after $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ goes active, to indicate that this is a 16-bit transfer, and the address should be even, SA0 low. The data will be taken from SD0-15.

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)

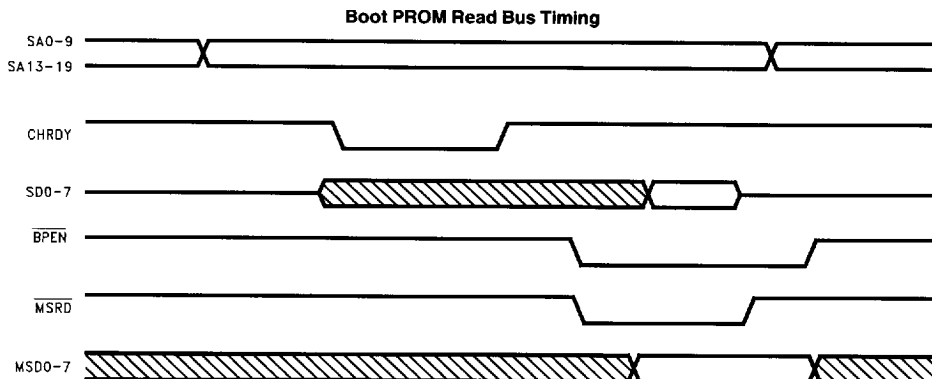
16-Bit I/O Cycle with IO16 Fix

Some Chips and Technologies and VLSI Technologies PC-AT chip sets have timing requirements in 16-bit I/O cycles that cannot be achieved by the default DP83906 cycle, described on the previous page. When that cycle is executed with these chip sets the system does not recognize the $\overline{\text{CHRDY}}$ signal and does not insert wait states. The system executes a standard cycle and deasserts $\overline{\text{IOR\#}}$ or $\overline{\text{IOW\#}}$ even if $\overline{\text{CHRDY}}$ is still deasserted. The DP83906 recognizes if this situation has occurred, asserts $\overline{\text{CHRDY}}$ and sets a bus error bit in Configuration Register B to flag this error. Thus the user can test any new system to see if this error occurs and then take some remedial action. The DP83906 supports a fix which can be selected in software by writing to Configuration Register B.

This fix is enabled by setting the IO16CON-bit of Configuration Register B. In normal operation any time a valid address exists on SA0-9 IO16 is generated. Delaying IO16 until after the $\overline{\text{IOR\#}}$ or $\overline{\text{IOW\#}}$ can cure the problem on non-compliant machines. The theory is that the system is fooled into thinking an 8-bit peripheral is responding, since IO16 is not generated for the valid address, and accepts 8-bit I/O cycle timings for $\overline{\text{CHRDY}}$. It then rechecks IO16 after the $\overline{\text{IOR\#}}$ or $\overline{\text{IOW\#}}$ strobe and correctly determines it is a 16-bit peripheral. If a system did not recheck IO16 it would generate 2 8-bit cycles instead of 1 16-bit cycle. The DP83906 would interpret each 8-bit access as a 16-bit transfer and decrement DMA byte count by 2. Eventually the system would attempt to access the data transfer port when the DP83906 had finished transferring data and $\overline{\text{CHRDY}}$ would be deasserted indefinitely. To prevent misoperation this fix should only be implemented on systems that require it.

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)

ISA Bus Boot PROM Access Timing



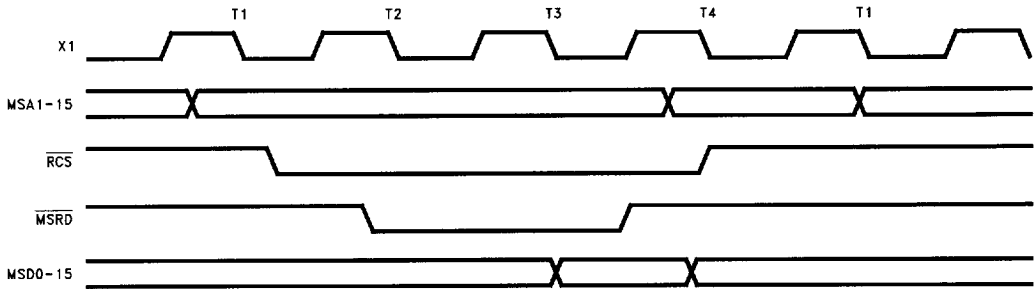
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This is the type of cycle used to read the boot PROM. These accesses are entirely asynchronous, with the DP83906 responding when it decodes the correct address on SA0-19. If AEN is high the cycle will be ignored. CHRDY is deasserted if the DP83906 is not ready to respond and asserted when ready. If it is ready immediately CHRDY is not deasserted. The data will be driven from MSD0-7 onto SD0-7.

6.0 Operation of DP83906 (Continued)

RAM Access Timing

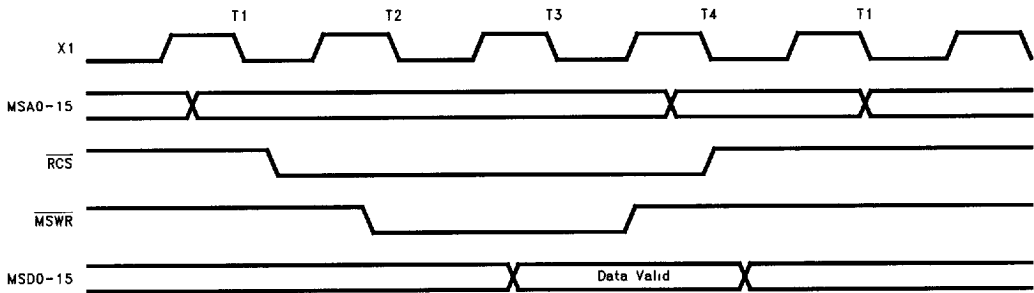
Memory Support Read



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This is a memory read cycle executed by the DP83906's internal DMA. This is used to either load the data transfer port, during a Remote Read in I/O mode, or to load the FIFO, for a transmission on the network, in both modes. This transfer is synchronized to X1.

Memory Support Write



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This is a memory write cycle executed by the DP83906's internal DMA. This is used to either write from the data transfer port, during a Remote Write in I/O mode, or to empty the FIFO, during a reception from the network, in both modes. This transfer is synchronized to X1.

7.0 In-Circuit Test (ICT) Description

The DP83906 supports ICT by providing two test modes. The V_{OH}/V_{OL} test mode allows all outputs to be forced high or low. Adjacent pins have opposite polarity which helps to highlight short circuits. The V_{IH}/V_{IL} test mode AND's inputs together and presents the output on INT0. The only inputs not included are RESET, XTAL and analog signals. Both those modes combine to enable a bed of nails test set-up easily determine if the pins are soldered down and if the adapter card has shorts or open around our device.

For an I/O base address of 300 Hex test mode is entered by reading Configuration Register A (30A Hex) followed by a write to 80 Hex. This makes a test register available at an offset of 1F Hex. To enter V_{OH}/V_{OL} the user must write EA Hex to address 31F Hex. Then assert SA0 and toggle outputs using SA4 as per the table below. (Rev A8 Si does not fully support this test mode as can be seen from the table.)

Output	SA4 = 0	SA4 = 1
MSA13-1	zzzz Hex	zzzz Hex
MSD15-0	zzzz Hex	zzzz Hex
SD15-0	5555 Hex	aaaa Hex
INT6-0	2A Hex	55 Hex
THIN	1	0
MSWR	1	1
MSRD	1	1
RCS	1	1
BPCS	1	1
EECS	1	1
IO16	0	0
CHRDY	0	0

z is TRI-STATE

V_{OH}/V_{OL} mode output states

SA9 = 1

To enter V_{IH}/V_{IL} test mode the user must write FF Hex to address 31F Hex. Then the inputs should be held high (except RESET) and toggled low one by one. INT0 will pulse low accordingly.

8.0 Preliminary Electrical Characteristics

Absolute Maximum Ratings

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

Supply Voltage (V_{CC})	-0.5V to +7.0V
Storage Temperature (T_{STG})	-65°C to +150°C
Package Power Dissipation (P_D)	TBD
Lead Temperature (T_L)	260°C
(Soldering, 10 seconds)	

Operating Conditions

	Min	Max	Units
Supply Voltage (V_{CC})	4.75	5.25	V
Operating Temperature (T_A)	0	+70	°C
ESD Tolerance:	TBD		
$C_{ZAP} = 100 \text{ pF}$, $R_{ZAP} = 1.5 \text{ k}\Omega$			

Preliminary DC Specifications

Symbol	Description	Conditions	Min	Max	Units
SUPPLY CURRENT					
I_{CC}	Average Active (Transmitting/Receiving) Supply Current	$X1 = 20 \text{ MHz Clock}$ $V_{IN} = \text{Switching}$		100	mA
I_{CCIDLE}	Average Idle Supply Current	$X1 = 20 \text{ MHz Clock}$ $V_{IN} = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$		80	mA
TTL INPUTS					
V_{IL}	Maximum Low Level Input Voltage			0.8	V
V_{IH}	Minimum High Level Input Voltage		2.0		V
I_{IN}	Input Current	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$	-1.0	+1.0	μA
3ST TRI-STATE HIGH DRIVE I/O					
V_{OH}	Minimum High Level Output Voltage	$I_{OH} = -3 \text{ mA}$	2.4		V
V_{OL}	Maximum Low Level Output Voltage	$I_{OL} = 24 \text{ mA}$		0.5	V
V_{IL}	Maximum Low Level Input Voltage			0.8	V
V_{IH}	Minimum High Level Input Voltage		2.0		V
I_{IN}	Input Current	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$	-10.0	+10.0	μA
I_{OZ}	Maximum TRI-STATE Output Leakage Current	$V_{OUT} = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$	-10.0	+10.0	μA
MOS INPUTS, OUTPUTS AND I/O					
V_{OH}	Minimum High Level Output Voltage	$I_{OH} = -20 \mu\text{A}$	$V_{CC} - 0.1$		V
V_{OL}	Maximum Low Level Output Voltage	$I_{OL} = 20 \mu\text{A}$		0.1	V
V_{IL}	Maximum Low Level Input Voltage			0.8	V
V_{IH}	Minimum High Level Input Voltage		2.0		V
I_{IN}	Input Current	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$	-10.0	+10.0	μA
I_{IND}	Input Current MSA9-13, MSD0-7	$V_I = V_{CC}$		2000	μA
I_{IN1}	Input Current MSD8-15, MSA1-8	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$ RESET = Active		2000	μA
I_{OZ}	Maximum TRI-STATE Output Leakage Current	$V_{OUT} = V_{CC} \text{ or GND}$	-10.0	+10.0	μA

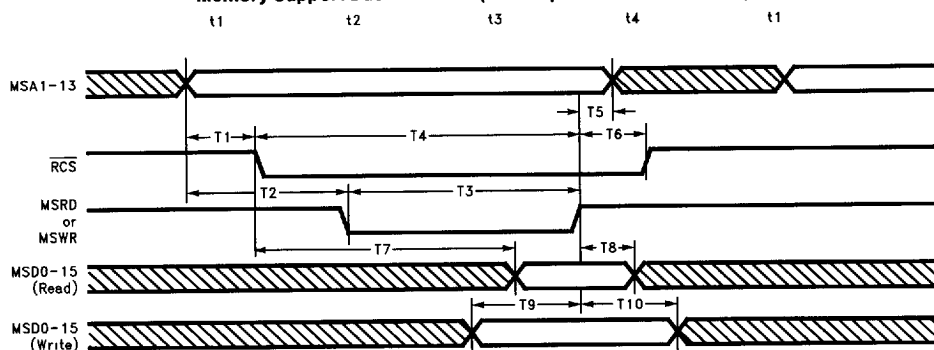
Preliminary DC Specifications (Continued)

Symbol	Description	Conditions	Min	Max	Units
OCH OPEN COLLECTOR HIGH DRIVE OUTPUT					
V_{OL}	Maximum Low Level Output Voltage	$I_{OL} = 24 \text{ mA}$		0.5	V
THIN DRIVER OUTPUT					
V_{OH}	Minimum High Level Output Voltage	$I_{OH} = -8 \text{ mA}$	2.4		V
V_{OL}	Maximum Low Level Output Voltage	$I_{OL} = 2 \text{ mA}$		0.5	V
OSCILLATOR PINS (X1 AND X2)					
V_{IH}	X1 Input High Voltage	X1 is Connected to an Oscillator	2.0		V
V_{IL}	X1 Input Low Voltage	X1 is Connected to an Oscillator		0.8	V
I_{OSC}	X1 Input Current	X1 is Connected to an Oscillator, $V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or GND		1	mA
AUI					
V_{OD}	Differential Output Voltage ($TX \pm$)	78Ω Termination and 270Ω from Each to GND (Note 1)	± 550	± 1200	mV
V_{OB}	Differential Idle Output Voltage Imbalance ($TX \pm$)	78Ω Termination and 270Ω from Each to GND (Note 1)	Typical: 40 mV		
V_U	Undershoot Voltage ($TX \pm$)	78Ω Termination and 270Ω from Each to GND (Note 1)	Typical: 80 mV		
V_{DS}	Diff. Squelch Threshold ($RX \pm$, $CD \pm$)		-175	-300	mV
V_{CM}	Diff. Input Common Mode Voltage ($RX \pm$, $CD \pm$)	(Note 1)	0	5.25	V

Note 1: Not tested in production test

9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics

Memory Support Bus Accesses (for I/O port or FIFO transfers)

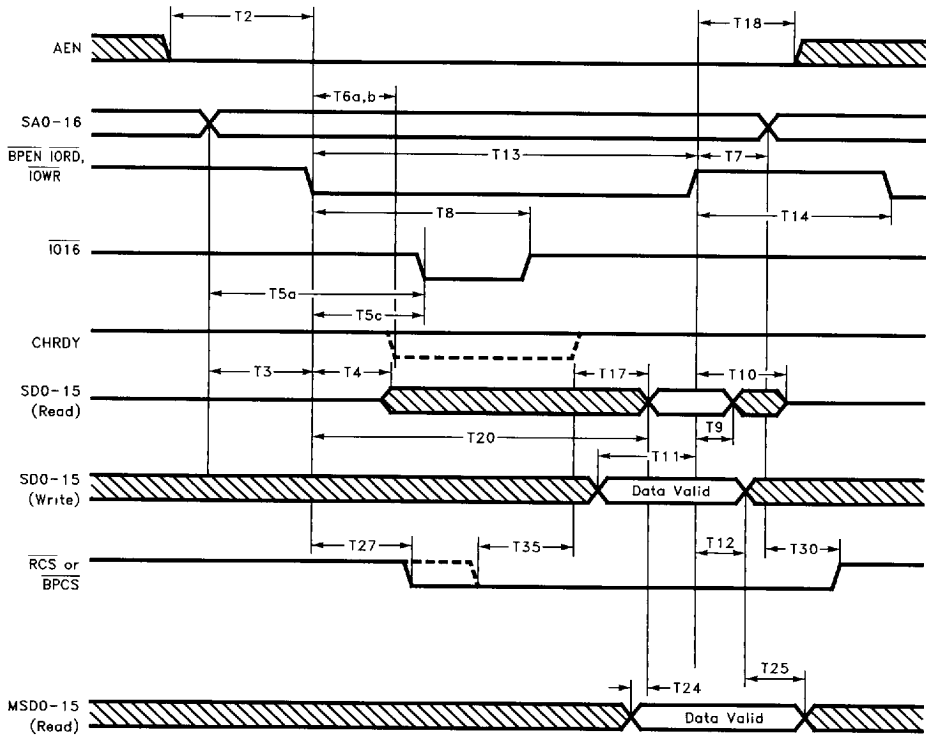


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Symbol	Description	8-Bit Transfers		16-Bit Transfers		Units
		Min	Max	Min	Max	
T1	MSA1-13 Valid before RCS Asserted (Note 1)		30		30	ns
T2	MSA1-13 Valid before MSRD-WR Asserted	20		20		ns
T3	MSRD-WR Width	70		70		ns
T4	RCS Valid to MSWR Deasserted	105		105		ns
T5	MSA1-13 Valid after MSRD-WR Deasserted	10		10		ns
T6	RCS Held after MSRD-WR Deasserted	10		10		ns
T7	RCS Valid to Read Data Valid		100		100	ns
T8	Read Data Hold from MSRD Deasserted	0		0		ns
T9	Write Data Set-Up to MSWR Deasserted	40		40		ns
T10	Write Data Held from MSWR Deasserted	10		10		ns

9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics (Continued)

ISA Slave Accesses



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9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics (Continued)

ISA Slave Accesses (Continued)

Symbol	Description	8-Bit Transfers		16-Bit Transfers		Units
		Min	Max	Min	Max	
T2	AEN Valid before Command Strobe Active	60		60		ns
T3a	SA0-9 Valid before $\overline{\text{IORD}}$, $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ Asserted	40		20		ns
T3b	SA0-16 Valid before $\overline{\text{BPEN}}$ Asserted	32		32		ns
T4a	$\overline{\text{IORD}}$ Asserted to SD0-15 Driven (Note 3)	0		0		ns
T5a	SA0-9 Valid before $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ Valid (Notes 1 and 9)				60	ns
T5c	SA0-9 Valid and $\overline{\text{IORD}}$ or $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ Active before $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ Valid (Notes 1 and 10)				50	ns
T6a	$\overline{\text{IORD}}$, $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ Asserted to CHRDY Negated (Notes 2 and 5)		100		50	ns
T6b	$\overline{\text{BPEN}}$ Asserted to CHRDY Negated (Note 2)		45			ns
T7	$\overline{\text{IORD}}$, $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ $\overline{\text{BPEN}}$ Negated before SA0-9 Invalid	20		20		ns
T8a	SA0-9 Invalid to $\overline{\text{IO16}}$ Invalid	0		0		ns
T9	$\overline{\text{IORD}}$ Negated to SD0-15 Read Data Invalid (Note 3)	0		0		ns
T10	$\overline{\text{IORD}}$ Negated to SD0-15 Floating (Note 3)		45		45	ns
T11	D0-15 Write Data Valid to $\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ Negated (Note 3)	60		40		ns
T12	$\overline{\text{IOWR}}$ Negated to SD0-15 Write Data Invalid (Note 3)	20		20		ns

9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics (Continued)

ISA Slave Accesses (Continued)

Symbol	Description	8-Bit Transfers		16-Bit Transfers		Units
		Min	Max	Min	Max	
T13a	\overline{IORD} , \overline{IOWR} , \overline{BPEN} Active Width (Note 8)	300		140		ns
T14a	\overline{IORD} , \overline{IOWR} Inactive Width	85		85		ns
T17	CHRDY Asserted to SD0–15 I/O Read Data Valid (Notes 2, 3 and 6)		60		60	ns
T18	\overline{IORD} , \overline{IOWR} , \overline{BPEN} Negated before AEN Invalid	25		25		ns
T20	\overline{BPEN} Asserted to SD0–15 Read Data Valid (Notes 3 and 7)		150		90	ns
T24	Read Data Valid on MSD0–15 to Valid on SD0–15		70		70	ns
T25	\overline{BPEN} Negated to MSD0–15 Read Data Invalid (Note 3)	0		0		ns
T27	\overline{BPEN} Valid to \overline{RCS} or \overline{BPCS} Asserted		55		55	ns
T30	SA0–19 Invalid to \overline{RCS} or \overline{BPCS} Negated	0		0		ns
T35	\overline{BPCS} Asserted to CHRDY Asserted (Note 13)	250		250		ns

Note 1: $\overline{MT6}$, $\overline{IOT6}$ are only asserted for 16-bit transfers

Note 2: CHRDY is only deasserted if the NIC core can not service the access immediately. It is held deasserted until the NIC core is ready, causing the system to insert wait states.

Note 3: On 8-bit transfers only 8 bits of MSD0–15 and D0–7 are driven.

Note 4: This is the early CHRDY timing, required by some machines, where CHRDY is referenced to BALE. In this mode of operation, under certain circumstances, CHRDY will be asserted for cycles which are not for this device, i.e., memory cycles or I/O cycles where SA0–9 match our address before reaching their valid state. In such a case the time to assert CHRDY, from \overline{MRD} , \overline{MWR} or SA0–9 invalid, will be the same as the deassertion time specified.

Note 5: This is the standard CHRDY timing where CHRDY is asserted after \overline{IORD} or \overline{IOWR} .

Note 6: Read data valid is referenced to CHRDY when wait states have been inserted.

Note 7: If no wait states are inserted read data valid can be measured from \overline{IORD} .

Note 8: This is a minimum timing with no additional wait states.

Note 9: This is the standard $\overline{IOT6}$ timing where $\overline{IOT6}$ is asserted after a valid address decode.

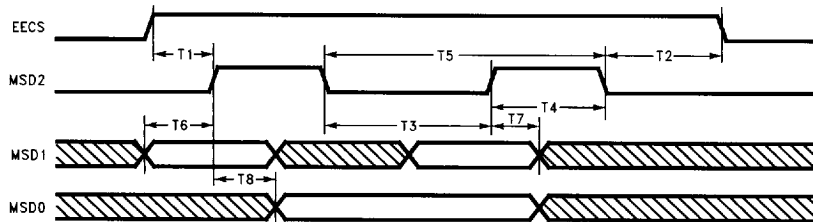
Note 10: This is the late $\overline{IOT6}$ timing, required by some machines, where $\overline{IOT6}$ is asserted after a valid address decode and \overline{IORD} or \overline{IOWR} going active.

Note 12: \overline{RCS} refers to $\overline{RCS1}$ and $\overline{RCS2}$. Depending on the mode of operation either or both can be asserted. See the Functional Bus Timing section for a further explanation.

Note 13: This is a timing for a Boot PROM access.

9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics (Continued)

Serial EEPROM Timing



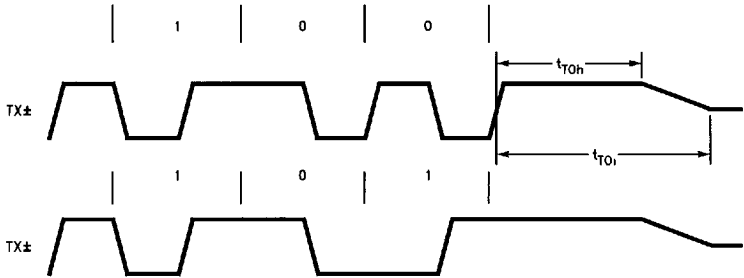
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Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Units
T1	EECS Setup to SK	150		ns
T2	EECS Hold after SK	250		ns
T3	MSD2 Low Time	450		ns
T4	MSD2 High Time	450		ns
T5	MSD2 Clock Period (Note 1)	1		μ s
T6	Data In Setup to MSD2 High	100		ns
T7	Data In Hold from MSD2 High	100		ns
T8	Data Out Valid from MSD2 High		500	ns

Note 1: Derived from Crystal Oscillator Tolerance = $\pm 0.01\%$

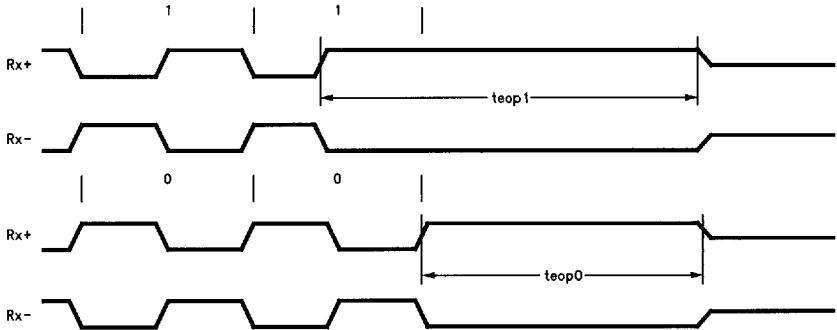
9.0 Preliminary Switching Characteristics (Continued)

AUI Transmit Timing (End of Packet)



Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Units
tTOh	Transmit Output High before Idle (Note 1)	200		ns
tTOi	Transmit Output Idle Time (Note 1)	8000		ns

AUI Receive Timing (End of Packet)

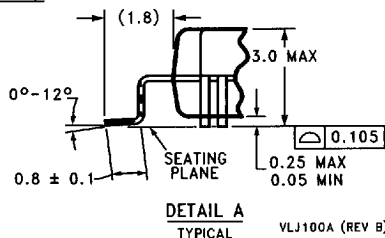
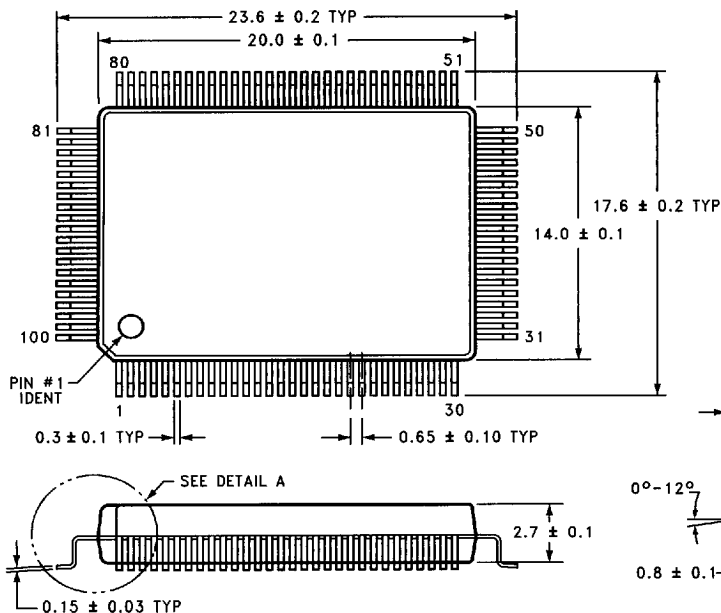


Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Units
teop1	Receive End of Packet Hold Time after Logic "1" (Note 1)	225		ns
teop0	Receive End of Packet Hold Time after Logic "0" (Note 1)	225		ns

Note 1: This parameter is guaranteed by design and is not tested.

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