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Intel® 82551ER Integrated 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX Ethernet Controller

Integrated functions for high-performance, embedded Ethernet applications

Product Brief

The Intelligent Way to Connect

- High-performance/low-cost solution
- Advanced offloading features speed data transfers
- Footprint compatibility for flexible designs



Product Description

The Intel[®] 82551ER Integrated 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX Ethernet Controller expands the family of Intel[®] 8255x controllers. As part of Intel[®] fourth generation of fully integrated Fast Ethernet MAC/PHY solutions, the 82551ER is optimized for low-cost, embedded applications.

The 82551ER provides excellent performance with offloading of TCP, UDP and IP checksums. Its optimized 32-bit interface and efficient scatter-gather bus mastering capabilities enable the controller to perform high-speed data transfers over the PCI bus. These capabilities accelerate the processing of high-level commands and operations, lowering CPU utilization. The device's architecture enables efficient data flow from the bus interface unit to the 3KB transmit and receive FIFOs, providing the perfect balance between the wire and system bus. In addition, multiple priority queues augment Quality of Service (QoS) performance.

The 82551ER is pin-compatible with the Intel[®] 82559ER Fast Ethernet controller, and it is layoutcompatible with Intel[®] 82540 Gigabit Ethernet controller. Intel-supported 82551ER drivers run on the standard Intel[®] 82551QM Fast Ethernet PCI/CardBus Controller, providing OEMs an upgrade path to the 82551QM for additional features and increased functionality.

Applications

The Intel 82551ER Integrated 10BASE-T/100BASE-TX Ethernet Controller is designed for use in the following applications:

- Information appliances, set-top boxes
- Point-of-Sales terminals, Web kiosks
- Printers
- Other embedded applications

Features	Benefits
Performance-enhancement Features	
Offloads TCP, UDP, and IP checksums from PC processor	Speeds data transfers
Multiple priority transmit queues	Enables packet prioritization for faster delivery of business-critical data
 Combination 10/100Mbps Fast Ethernet controller and physical layer interface with glueless 32-bit PCI bus master interface 	 Provides low-cost network connectivity for LOM or PCI adapters Reduces board space requirements and external support circuitry
Improved dynamic transmit chaining	Enhances performance
Early-receive interrupt	Processes receive data concurrently
3KB internal receive and transmit buffers	Prevents data overruns or underruns
MDI/MDI-X and Hardware Integrity (HWI) Alerting	Indicates cabling problems that might impact link performance
Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) and flexible frame filtering	Allows virtually connected IPv6, IPv4, Windows NT*, or next-generation systems
Programmable transmit threshold	 Utilizes bus more efficiently
Fast back-to-back transmission support with minimum interframe spacing	Maximizes system throughput
Power-reduction Features	
 Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) Specifications compliant 	 Provides various power-down states and the ability to "wake-up" on a unique packet addressed to the system
Reduced D3 power consumption	 Optimized for power-constraint designs
Deep Power DownEfficient dynamic standby mode	 Minimizes power requirements
Compatibility Features	
 Footprint-compatible with the Intel[®] 82540 Gigabit Ethernet controller 	 Enables single-board design accommodating either 10/100/1000Mbps or 10/100Mbps Ethernet Provides an easy and safe migration path to Gigabit Ethernet
Pin-compatible and driver compatible with 82559ER	 Provides an easy upgrade path for existing 82559ER designs Supports robust, well-tested, high-performance drivers
Intel-supported 82551ER drivers also run on Intel [®] 82551QM	 Provides upgrade path to standard Intel[®] 82551QM for advanced network features
Physical Features	
Thin BGA 15x15mm package	Minimizes board space requirements

Characteristics

Electrical	
Power Supply	3.3V +/- 5%
 Power Dissipation 	0.5W (typical)
Environmental	
 Operating Temperature 	0°C to 85°C (maximum)
 Storage Temperature 	-65°C to 140°C
Physical	
Package	196-pin BGA (1mm ball pitch)

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