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| | | DVDD33 (pin 18, 34, 49) => NC |
| | | DVDD15 (pin 32, 45, 59) => NC (see Table 7 and Table 8). |
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1. General Description

The RTL8201N is a single-chip/single-port PHYceiver with an MII (Media Independent Interface)/SNI (Serial Network Interface). It implements all 10/100M Ethernet Physical-layer functions including the Physical Coding Sublayer (PCS), Physical Medium Attachment (PMA), Twisted Pair Physical Medium Dependent Sublayer (TP-PMD), with an *auto MDIX* function, 10Base-Tx Encoder/Decoder, and Twisted-Pair Media Access Unit (TPMAU).

A PECL (Pseudo Emitter Coupled Logic) interface is supported to connect with an external 100Base-FX fiber optical transceiver. The chip utilizes an advanced CMOS process to meet low voltage and low power requirements. With on-chip DSP (Digital Signal Processing) technology, the chip provides excellent performance under all operating conditions.



2. Features

The Realtek RTL8201N is a Fast Ethernet PHYceiver with selectable MII, RMII, or SNI interface to the MAC chip. It provides the following features:

- Pin-to-pin compatible with the RTL8211B
- Supports MII and 7-wire SNI (Serial Network Interface)
- Supports RMII mode (new RTL8201N function)
- 10/100Mbps operation
- Full/half duplex operation
- Twisted pair or fiber mode output
- Auto-Negotiation
- Supports power down mode
- Supports operation under Link Down Power Saving mode
- Supports Base Line Wander (BLW) compensation

- Supports auto MDIX
- Supports repeater mode
- Adaptive Equalization
- Network status LEDs
- Flow control support
- 25MHz crystal/oscillator as clock source
- IEEE 802.3/802.3u compliant
- Supports IEEE 802.3u clause 28; 1.5V operation with 3.3V IO signal tolerance
- Low power supply, 1.5V, 1.8V and 3.3V; 1.5V/1.8V is generated by an internal regulator
- 0.15µm CMOS process
- 64-pin QFN package

3. Applications

- Network Interface Adapter
- MAU (Media Access Unit)
- CNR (Communication and Network Riser)
- ACR (Advanced Communication Riser)
- Ethernet hub
- Ethernet switch

In addition, it can be used in any embedded system with an Ethernet MAC that needs a UTP physical connection or Fiber PECL interface to an external 100Base-FX optical transceiver module.



4. Block Diagram





5. Pin Assignments



5.1. Green Package and Version Identification

Green package is indicated by a 'G' in the location marked 'T' in Figure 2.



6. Pin Descriptions

| LI: Latched Input during Power up or Reset | O: Output | I: Input |
|--|-----------|----------|
| IO: Bi-directional input and output | P: Power | |

6.1. MII Interface

| Table 1. Mll Interface | | | | |
|------------------------|------|----------------|--|--|
| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description | |
| TXC | 0 | 24 | Transmit Clock. This pin provides a continuous clock as a timing reference for TXD[3:0] and TXEN. | |
| TXEN | Ι | 29 | Transmit Enable. The input signal indicates the presence of valid nibble data on TXD[3:0]. An internal weak pull low resistor to prevent the bus floating. | |
| TXD[3:0] | Ι | 28, 27, 26, 25 | Transmit Data. The MAC will source TXD[03] synchronous with TXC when TXEN is asserted. An internal weak pull high resistor prevents the bus floating. | |
| RXC | 0 | 22 | Receive Clock. This pin provides a continuous clock reference for RXDV and RXD[03] signals. RXC is 25MHz in 100Mbps mode and 2.5Mhz in 10Mbps mode. | |
| COL/ CONFIG[6] | LI/O | 46 | Collision Detect. COL is asserted high when a collision is detected on the media. During power on reset, this pin status is latched to determine at which interface mode to operate: 0: SNI mode 1: MII mode This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC. | |
| CRS/ CONFIG[5] | LI/O | 47 | Carrier Sense. This pin's signal is asserted high if the media is not in Idle state. During power on reset, this pin set high to put the RTL8201N into repeater mode. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC. | |
| RXDV/ RMII | LI/O | 16 | Receive Data Valid. This pin's signal is asserted high when received data is present on the RXD[3:0] lines. The signal is de-asserted at the end of the packet. The signal is valid on the rising edge of the RXC. During power on reset, this pin status is latched to determine at which interface mode to operate: 0: MII mode 1: RMII mode This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC. | |
| RXD[3:0] | 0 | 21, 20, 19, 17 | Receive Data. These are the four parallel receive data lines aligned on the nibble boundaries driven synchronously to the RXC for reception by the external physical unit (PHY). | |



| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|-----------|------|---------|--|
| RXER/ | LI/O | 35 | Receive Error. |
| CONFIG[8] | | | If a 5B decode error occurs, such as invalid /J/K/, invalid /T/R/, or invalid |
| | | | symbol, this pin will go high. |
| | | | Fiber/UTP Enable. |
| | | | During power on reset, this pin status is latched to determine the media mode to |
| | | | operate in. |
| | | | 1: Fiber mode |
| | | | 0: UTP mode |
| | | | An internal weak pull low resistor sets this to the default of UTP mode. It is possible to |
| | | | use an external 5.1K Ω pull high resistor to enable fiber mode. |
| | | | After power on, the pin operates as the Receive Error pin. |
| MDC | Ι | 30 | Management Data Clock. |
| | | | This pin provides a clock synchronous to MDIO, which may be asynchronous to |
| | | | the transmit TXC and receive RXC clocks. The clock rate can be up to 2.5MHz. |
| | | | Use an internal weak pull high resistor to prevent the bus floating. |
| MDIO | IO | 31 | Management Data Input/Output. |
| | | | This pin provides the bi-directional signal used to transfer management |
| | | | information. |

6.2. SNI (Serial Network Interface) 10Mbps Only

| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|------|------|---------|---|
| COL | 0 | 46 | Collision Detect. |
| RXD0 | 0 | 17 | Received Serial Data. |
| CRS | 0 | 47 | Carrier Sense. |
| RXC | 0 | 22 | Receive Clock. |
| | | | Resolved from received data. |
| TXD0 | Ι | 25 | Transmit Serial Data. |
| TXC | 0 | 24 | Transmit Clock. |
| | | | Generated by PHY. |
| TXEN | Ι | 29 | Transmit Enable. |
| | | | For MAC to indicate transmit operation. |

6.3. Clock Interface

Table 3. Clock Interface

| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description | |
|---------|------|---------|--|--|
| CKXTAL2 | 0 | 62 | 25MHz Crystal Output. | |
| | | | This pin provides the 25MHz crystal output. It must be left open when an external | |
| | | | 25MHz oscillator drives X1. | |
| CKXTAL1 | Ι | 61 | 25MHz Crystal Input. | |
| | | | This pin provides the 25MHz crystal input. If a 25MHz oscillator is used, connect | |
| | | | X1 to the oscillator's output (see 9.3 Crystal Characteristics, page 31, for clock | |
| | | | source specifications). | |



6.4. 10Mbps/100Mbps Network Interface

| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|---------|------|---------|--|
| MDI+[0] | 0 | 3 | Transmit Output. |
| MDI-[0] | 0 | 4 | Differential transmit output pair shared by 100Base-TX, 100Base-FX and 10Base-TX modes. When configured as 100Base-TX, output is an MLT-3 encoded waveform. When configured as 100Base-FX, the output is pseudo-ECL level. |
| RSET | Ι | 1 | Transmit Bias Resistor Connection. This pin should be pulled to GND by a $2K\Omega$ (1%) resistor to define driving current for the transmit DAC. The resistance value may be changed, depending on experimental results of the RTL8201N. |
| MDI+[1] | Ι | 6 | Receive Input. |
| MDI-[1] | Ι | 7 | Differential receive input pair shared by 100Base-TX, 100Base-FX, and 10Base-T modes. |

6.5. Device Configuration Interface

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| This pin is latched to input during a power on or reset condition. Set high to pu | CONFIG[9] | LI | 33 | Speed mode. |
| the RTL8201N into 100Mbps operation. This pin can be directly connected to GND VCC. | | | | This pin is latched to input during a power on or reset condition. Set high to put the RTL8201N into 100Mbps operation. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC. |
| ISOLATEI52Set high to isolate the RTL8201N from the MAC. This will also isolate the MDC/MDIO | ISOLATE | Ι | 52 | Set high to isolate the RTL8201N from the MAC. This will also isolate the MDC/MDIO |
| management interface. In this mode, the power consumption is minimal. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC | | | | management interface. In this mode, the power consumption is minimal. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC |



| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|--------|------|---------|--|
| DUPLEX | LI | 51 | This pin is latched to input during a power on or reset condition. Set high to enable full duplex. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC. |
| LDPS | Ι | 44 | Set high to put the RTL8201N into LDPS mode. This pin can be directly connected to GND or VCC (see 8.6 Power Down, Link Down, Power Saving, and Isolation Modes, page 20, for more information). |

6.6. LED Interface

 Table 6.
 LED Interface/PHY Address Configuration

| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|-------------|------|---------|-------------------------|
| LED_LINK10 | 0 | 50 | 10Mbps link indicator. |
| LED_LINK100 | 0 | 48 | 100Mbps link indicator. |
| LED_DUPLEX | 0 | 43 | Duplex LED. |
| LED_RX | 0 | 40 | Receive LED. |
| LED_TX | 0 | 39 | Transmit LED. |

6.7. Power Pins

| Table 7. Power Pins | | | | |
|---------------------|------|------------|---|--|
| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description | |
| AVDD33 | Р | 60 | 3.3V Analog Power Input. | |
| | | | 3.3V power supply for analog circuit; should be well decoupled. | |
| DVDD33 | Р | 23, 42, 55 | 3.3V Digital Power Input. | |
| | | | 3.3V power supply for digital circuit. | |
| AVDD18 | Р | 5, 10 | Analog Power. 1.8V. | |
| DVDD15 | Р | 36 | Digital Power. 1.5V. | |

6.8. Reset and Other Pins

Table 8. Reset and Other Pins

| Name | Туре | Pin No. | Description |
|---------|------|---|---|
| PHYRSTB | Ι | 38 | RESETB. |
| | | | Set low to reset the chip. For a complete reset, this pin must be asserted low for at least 10ms. |
| PWOUT18 | 0 | 2 | Power Output. |
| PWOUT15 | 0 | 64 | Be sure to connect a 22uF tantalum capacitor for frequency compensation. The connection method is outlined in 8.10 3.3V Power Supply and Voltage Conversion Circuit, page 23. |
| NC | | 8, 9, 11~15, 18, 32, 34, 41, 45, 49, 59, 63 | Not Connected. |



7. Register Descriptions

This section describes the functions and usage of the registers available in the RTL8201N.

In this section the following abbreviations are used:

RO: Read Only RW: Read/Write

7.1. Register 0 Basic Mode Control Register

| 0:15 | Reset Loopback | This bit sets the status and control registers of the PHY in the default state. This bit is self-clearing. 1: Software reset 0: Normal operation This bit enables loopback of transmit data nibbles TXD3:0 to the | RW | 0 |
|------|-------------------------------|--|----|---|
| 0:14 | Loopback | This bit enables loopback of transmit data nibbles TXD3:0 to the | | |
| | | receive data path. 1: Enable loopback 0: Normal operation | RW | 0 |
| 0:13 | Spd_Set | This bit sets the network speed. 1: 100Mbps 0: 10Mbps After completing auto negotiation, this bit will reflect the Speed status. 1: 100Base-T 0: 10Base-T When 100Base-FX mode is enabled, this bit=1 and is read only. | RW | 0 |
| 0:12 | Auto Negotiation Enable | This bit enables/disables the NWay auto-negotiation function. 1: Enable auto-negotiation; bits 0:13 and 0:8 will be ignored. 0: Disable auto-negotiation; bits 0:13 and 0:8 will determine the link speed and the data transfer mode, respectively. When 100Base-FX mode is enabled, this bit=0 and is read only. | RW | 1 |
| 0:11 | Power Down | This bit turns down the power of the PHY chip, including the internal crystal oscillator circuit. The MDC, MDIO is still alive for accessing the MAC. 1: Power down 0: Normal operation | RW | 0 |
| 0:10 | Reserved | | | |
| 0:9 | Restart Auto Negotiation | This bits allows the NWay auto-negotiation function to be reset. 1: Re-start auto-negotiation 0: Normal operation | RW | 0 |
| 0:8 | Duplex Mode | This bit sets the duplex mode if auto-negotiation is disabled (bit 0:12=0). 1: Full duplex 0: Half duplex After completing auto-negotiation, this bit will reflect the duplex status. 1: Full duplex 0: Half duplex | RW | 0 |



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| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|-----------|------------------------------|------|---------|
| 0:0 | RMII Mode | This bit sets the RMII mode. | RW | 0 |
| | | 1: RMII mode | | |
| | | 0: MII mode | | |

7.2. Register 1 Basic Mode Status Register

Table 10. Register 1 Basic Mode Status Register Default Address Name Description Mode 1:15 100Base-T4 1: Enable 100Base-T4 support RO 0 0: Suppress 100Base-T4 support 1:14 100Base TX FD 1: Enable 100Base-TX full duplex support RO 1 0: Suppress 100Base-TX full duplex support 1:13 100BASE TX HD 1: Enable 100Base-TX half duplex support RO 1 0: Suppress 100Base-TX half duplex support 1:12 10Base_T_FD 1: Enable 10Base-T full duplex support RO 1 0: Suppress 10Base-T full duplex support 1:11 1: Enable 10Base-T half duplex support 10 Base T HD RO 1 0: Suppress 10Base-T half duplex support 1:10~7 Reserved 1:6 MF Preamble The RTL8201N will accept management frames with preamble RO 1 Suppression suppressed. A minimum of 32 preamble bits are required for the first SMI read/write transaction after reset. One idle bit is required between any two management transactions as per IEEE 802.3u specifications. 1:5 0 Auto Negotiation 1: Auto-negotiation process completed RO Complete 0: Auto-negotiation process not completed 1:4 Remote Fault 1: Remote fault condition detected (cleared on read) RO 0 0: No remote fault condition detected When in 100Base-FX mode, this bit means an in-band signal Far-End-Fault has been detected (see 8.11 Far End Fault Indication, page 23). 1:3 Auto Negotiation 1: Link has not experienced fail state RO 1 0: Link experienced fail state 1:2 Link Status 1: Valid link established RO 0 0: No valid link established 1:1 Jabber Detect 1: Jabber condition detected RO 0 0: No jabber condition detected 1:0 Extended Capability 1: Extended register capability RO 1 0: Basic register capability only



7.3. Register 2 PHY Identifier Register 1

| Table 11. Register 2 PHY Identifier Register 1 | 1 |
|--|---|
|--|---|

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|--------|---|------|---------|
| 2:15~0 | PHYID1 | PHY identifier ID for software recognition of the RTL8201N. | RO | 0000 |

7.4. Register 3 PHY Identifier Register 2

| Table 12. Register 3 PHY Identifier Register 2 | | | | | | |
|--|--------|---|------|---------|--|--|
| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default | | |
| 3:15~0 | PHYID2 | PHY identifier ID for software recognition of the RTL8201N. | RO | 8201 | | |

7.5. Register 4 Auto-Negotiation Advertisement Register (ANAR)

This register contains the advertised abilities of this device as they will be transmitted to its link partner during auto-negotiation.

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|----------|--|------|---------|
| 4:15 | NP | Next Page bit. | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: Transmitting the primary capability data page | | |
| | | 1: Transmitting the protocol specific data page | | |
| 4:14 | ACK | 1: Acknowledge reception of link partner capability data word | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: Do not acknowledge reception | | |
| 4:13 | RF | 1: Advertise remote fault detection capability | RW | 0 |
| | | 0: Do not advertise remote fault detection capability | | |
| 4:12 | Reserved | | | |
| 4:11 | TXFC | 1: TX flow control is supported by local node | RW | 0 |
| | | 0: TX flow control not supported by local node | | |
| 4:10 | RXFC | 1: RX flow control is supported by local node | RW | 0 |
| | | 0: RX flow control not supported by local node | | |
| 4:9 | T4 | 1: 100Base-T4 is supported by local node | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 100Base-T4 not supported by local node | | |
| 4:8 | TXFD | 1: 100Base-TX full duplex is supported by local node | RW | 1 |
| | | 0: 100Base-TX full duplex not supported by local node | | |
| 4:7 | TX | 1: 100Base-TX is supported by local node | RW | 1 |
| | | 0: 100Base-TX not supported by local node | | |
| 4:6 | 10FD | 1: 10Base-T full duplex supported by local node | RW | 1 |
| | | 0: 10Base-T full duplex not supported by local node | | |
| 4:5 | 10 | 1: 10Base-T is supported by local node | RW | 1 |
| | | 0: 10Base-T not supported by local node | | |
| 4:4~0 | Selector | Binary encoded selector supported by this node. Currently only | RW | 00001 |
| | | CSMA/CD 00001 is specified. No other protocols are supported. | | |

Table 13. Register 4 Auto-Negotiation Advertisement Register (ANAR)



7.6. Register 5 Auto-Negotiation Link Partner Ability Register (ANLPAR)

This register contains the advertised abilities of the Link Partner as received during auto-negotiation. The content changes after a successful auto-negotiation if Next-pages are supported.

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|------------|--|------|---------|
| 5.15 | NP | Next Page bit | RO | 0 |
| 0.10 | 1.1 | 0: Transmitting the primary capability data page | | Ŭ |
| | | 1: Transmitting the protocol specific data page | | |
| 5:14 | АСК | 1: Link partner acknowledges reception of local node's capability data word | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: No acknowledgement | | |
| 5:13 | RF | 1: Link partner is indicating a remote fault | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: Link partner is not indicating a remote fault | | |
| 5:12 | Reserved | | | |
| 5:11 | TXFC | 1: TX flow control is supported by Link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: TX flow control not supported by Link partner | | |
| 5:10 | RXFC | 1: RX flow control is supported by Link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: RX flow control not supported by Link partner | | |
| 5:9 | T4 | 1: 100Base-T4 is supported by link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 100Base-T4 not supported by link partner | | |
| 5:8 | TXFD | 1: 100Base-TX full duplex is supported by link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 100Base-TX full duplex not supported by link partner | | |
| 5:7 | 100BASE-TX | 1: 100Base-TX is supported by link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 100Base-TX not supported by link partner | | |
| | | This bit will also be set if the link in 100Base is established by | | |
| | | parallel detection. | | |
| 5:6 | 10FD | 1: 10Base-T full duplex is supported by link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 10Base-T full duplex not supported by link partner | | |
| 5:5 | 10Base-T | 1: 10Base-T is supported by link partner | RO | 0 |
| | | 0: 10Base-T not supported by link partner | | |
| | | This bit will also be set if the link in 10Base-T is established by | | |
| | | parallel detection. | | |
| 5:4~0 | Selector | Link Partner's binary encoded node selector. Currently only CSMA/CD 00001 is specified | RO | 00000 |

Table 14. Register 5 Auto-Negotiation Link Partner Ability Register (ANLPAR)



7.7. Register 6 Auto-Negotiation Expansion Register (ANER)

This register contains additional status for NWay auto-negotiation.

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|------------|--|------|---------|
| 6:15~5 | Reserved | This bit is permanently set to 0. | | |
| 6:4 | MLF | Indicates whether a multiple link fault has occurred. | RO | 0 |
| | | 1: Fault occurred | | |
| | | 0: No fault occurred | | |
| 6:3 | LP_NP_ABLE | Indicates whether the link partner supports Next Page negotiation. | RO | 0 |
| | | 1: Supported | | |
| | | 0: Not supported | | |
| 6:2 | NP_ABLE | This bit indicates whether the local node is able to send additional | RO | 0 |
| | | Next Pages. Internal use only. | | |
| 6:1 | PAGE_RX | This bit is set when a new Link Code Word Page has been | RO | 0 |
| | | received. It is automatically cleared when the auto-negotiation link | | |
| | | partner's ability register (register 5) is read by management. | | |
| 6:0 | LP_NW_ABLE | 1: Link partner supports NWay auto-negotiation. | RO | 0 |

Table 15. Register 6 Auto-Negotiation Expansion Register (ANER)

7.8. Register 16 NWay Setup Register (NSR)

Table 16. Register 16 NWay Setup Register (NSR)

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|----------|----------|--|------|---------|
| 16:15~12 | Reserved | | | |
| 16:11 | ENNWLE | 1: LED4 Pin indicates link pulse | RW | 0 |
| 16:10 | Testfun | 1: Auto-negotiation speeds up internal timer | RW | 0 |
| 16:9 | NWLPBK | 1: Set NWay to loopback mode | | 0 |
| 16:8~3 | Reserved | | | |
| 16:2 | FLAGABD | 1: Auto-negotiation experienced ability detect state | RO | 0 |
| 16:1 | FLAGPDF | 1: Auto-negotiation experienced parallel detection fault state | RO | 0 |
| 16:0 | FLAGLSC | Auto-negotiation experienced link status check state | | 0 |

7.9. Register 17 Loopback, Bypass, Receiver Error Mask Register (LBREMR)

Table 17. Register 17 Loopback, Bypass, Receiver Error Mask Register (LBREMR)

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|-----------|--|------|---------|
| 17:15 | RPTR | Set to 1 to put the RTL8201N into repeater mode. | RW | 0 |
| 17:14 | BP_4B5B | Assertion of this bit allows bypassing of the 4B/5B & 5B/4B encoder. | RW | 0 |
| 17:13 | BP_SCR | ssertion of this bit allows bypassing of the crambler/descrambler. | | 0 |
| 17:12 | LDPS | Set to 1 to enable Link Down Power Saving mode. | | 0 |
| 17:11 | AnalogOFF | Set to 1 to power down analog function of transmitter and receiver. | | 0 |



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| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|---------|------------|--|------|---------|
| 17:10 | Reserved | Reserved. | | |
| 17:9 | LB | Set to 1 to enable DSP Loopback. | RW | 0 |
| 17:8 | F_Link_10 | Used to logic force good link in 10Mbps for diagnostic purposes. | RW | 1 |
| 17:7 | F_Link_100 | Used to logic force good link in 100Mbps for diagnostic purposes. | RW | 1 |
| 17:6 | JBEN | Set to 1 to enable Jabber Function in 10Base-T. | RW | 1 |
| 17:5 | CODE_err | Assertion of this bit causes a code error detection to be reported. | | 0 |
| 17:4 | PME_err | Assertion of this bit causes a pre-mature end error detection to be reported. | | 0 |
| 17:3 | LINK_err | Assertion of this bit causes a link error detection to be reported. | RW | 0 |
| 17:2 | PKT_err | Assertion of this bit causes a 'detection of packet errors due to 722 ms time-out' to be reported. | | 0 |
| 17:1 | FXMODE | This bit indicates whether Fiber Mode is Enabled. | | 0 |
| 17:0 | SNIBMODE | is bit indicates whether SNI mode is Enabled. RW | | 0 |

7.10. Register 18 RX_ER Counter (REC)

Table 18. Register 18 RX_ER Counter (REC)

| Address | Name | Description | | Default |
|---------|---------|---|--|----------|
| 18:15~0 | RXERCNT | This 16-bit counter increments by 1 for each invalid packet | | H'[0000] |
| | | received. The value is valid while the link is established. | | |

7.11. Register 19 SNR Display Register

Table 19. Register 19 SNR Display Register

| Address | Name | Description | | Default |
|---------|----------|--|--|---------|
| 19:15~4 | Reserved | Realtek Test Mode Internal use. Do not change this field without | | |
| 19.3~0 | SNR | These 4-bits show the Signal to Noise Ratio value. | | 0000 |
| 17.5 0 | bruit | These Toris show the signal to Torise Ratio value. | | 0000 |

7.12. Register 25 Test Register

Table 20. Register 25 Test Register

| Address | Name | Description | Mode | Default |
|----------|------------|--|------|---------|
| 25:15~12 | Test | Reserved for internal testing. | RW | |
| 25:11~7 | PHYAD[4:0] | Reflects the PHY address defined by external PHY address configuration pins. | RO | 00001 |
| 25:6~2 | Test | Reserved for internal testing. | | |
| 25:1 | LINK10 | 1: 10Base-T link established 0: No 10Base-T link established | | 0 |
| 25:0 | LINK100 | 1: 100Base-FX or 100Base-TX link established 0: No 100Base link established | | 0 |



8. Functional Description

The RTL8201N PHYceiver is a physical layer device that integrates 10Base-T and 100Base-TX/100Base-FX functions, and some extra power management features into a 64-pin single chip that is used in 10/100 Fast Ethernet applications. This device supports the following functions:

- MII interface with MDC/MDIO SMI management interface to communicate with MAC
- IEEE 802.3u clause 28 Auto-Negotiation ability
- Flow control ability support to cooperate with MAC
- Speed, duplex, auto-negotiation ability configurable by hard wire or MDC/MDIO
- Flexible LED configuration
- 7-wire SNI (Serial Network Interface) support (only in 10Mbps mode)
- Power Down mode support
- 4B/5B transform
- Scrambling/De-scrambling
- NRZ to NRZI, NRZI to MLT-3
- Manchester Encode and Decode for 10Base-T operation
- Clock and Data recovery
- Adaptive Equalization
- Far End Fault Indication (FEFI) in fiber mode

8.1. MII and Management Interface

8.1.1. Data Transition

To set the RTL8201N for MII mode operation, pull the MII/SNIB pin high and set the ANE, SPEED, and DUPLEX pins.

The MII (Media Independent Interface) is an 18-signal interface (as described in IEEE 802.3u) supplying a standard interface between the PHY and MAC layer. This interface operates at two frequencies – 25MHz and 2.5MHz to support 100Mbps/10Mbps bandwidth for both transmit and receive functions.

Transmission

The MAC asserts the TXEN signal. It then changes byte data into 4-bit nibbles and passes them to the PHY via TXD[0..3]. The PHY will sample TXD[0..3] synchronously with TXC – the transmit clock signal supplied by PHY – during the interval TXEN is asserted.

Reception

The PHY asserts the RXEN signal. It passes the received nibble data RXD[0..3] clocked by RXC. CRS and COL signals are used for collision detection and handling.



In 100Base-TX mode, when the decoded signal in 5B is not IDLE, the CRS signal will assert. When 5B is recognized as IDLE it will be de-asserted. In 10Base-T mode, CRS will assert when the 10M preamble has been confirmed and will be de-asserted when the IDLE pattern has been confirmed.

The RXDV signal will be asserted when decoded 5B are /J/K/ and will be de-asserted if the 5B are /T/R/ or IDLE in 100Mbps mode. In 10Mbps mode, the RXDV signal is the same as the CRS signal.

The RXER (Receive Error) signal will be asserted if any 5B decode errors occur, e.g., an invalid J/K, invalid T/R, or invalid symbol. This pin will go high for one or more clock periods to indicate to the reconciliation sublayer that an error was detected somewhere in the frame.

Note: The RTL8201N does not use a TXER signal. This does not affect the transmit function.

8.1.2. **Serial Management**

The MAC layer device can use the MDC/MDIO management interface to control a maximum of 31 RTL8201N devices, configured with different PHY addresses (00001b to 11111b). During a hardware reset, the logic levels of pins 58, 57, 56, 54, and 52 are latched into the RTL8201N to be set as the PHY address for management communication via the serial interface. Setting the PHY address to 00000b will put the RTL8201N into power down mode. The read and write frame structure for the management interface is illustrated in Figure 3 and Figure 4.



OP PHYAD[4:0] REGAD[4:0]

MDIO is sourced by MAC. Clock data into PHY on rising edge of MDC

Figure 4. Write Cycle

| Table 21. Se | rial Manag | gement |
|--------------|------------|--------|
|--------------|------------|--------|

| Name | Description |
|----------|--|
| Preamble | 32 contiguous logical '1's sent by the MAC on MDIO along with 32 corresponding cycles on MDC. This provides synchronization for the PHY. |
| ST | Start of Frame. Indicated by a 01 pattern. |
| OP | Operation Code. Read: 10 Write: 01 |
| PHYAD | PHY Address. Up to 31 PHYs can be connected to one MAC. This 5-bit field selects which PHY the frame is directed to. |
| REGAD | Register Address. This is a 5-bit field that sets which of the 32 registers of the PHY this operation refers to. |

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| Name | Description |
|------|--|
| ТА | Turnaround. This is a 2-bit time-spacing between the register address and the data field of a frame to avoid contention during a read transaction. For a read transaction, both the STA and the PHY remain in a high-impedance state for the first bit time of the turnaround. The PHY drives a zero bit during the second bit time of the turnaround of a read transaction. |
| DATA | Data. These are the 16 bits of data. |
| IDLE | Idle Condition. Not truly part of the management frame. This is a high impedance state. Electrically, the PHY's pull-up resistor will pull the MDIO line to a logical '1'. |

8.2. Auto-Negotiation and Parallel Detection

The RTL8201N supports IEEE 802.3u clause 28 Auto-negotiation for operation with other transceivers supporting auto-negotiation. The RTL8201N can auto-detect the link partner's abilities and determine the highest speed/duplex configuration possible between the two devices. If the link partner does not support auto-negotiation, then the RTL8201N will enable half duplex mode and enter parallel detection mode. The RTL8201N will default to transmitting FLP (Fast Link Pulse) and wait for the link partner to respond. If the RTL8201N receives a FLP, then the auto-negotiation process will go on. If it receives NLP (Normal Link Pulse), then the RTL8201N will change to 10Mbps and half duplex mode. If it receives a 100Mbps IDLE pattern, it will change to 100Mbps and half duplex mode.

To enable auto-negotiation mode operation on the RTL8201N, pull the ANE (Auto-Negotiation Enable) pin high. The SPEED and DUPLEX pins will set the ability content of the auto-negotiation register. Auto-negotiation mode can be externally disabled by pulling the ANE pin low. In this case, the SPEED pin and DUPLEX pin will change the media configuration of the RTL8201N.

The following is a list of all configurations of the ANE/SPEED/DUPLEX pins and their operation in Fiber or UTP mode.

8.2.1. Setting the Medium Type and Interface Mode to MAC

| FX (Pin 35) | MII/SNIB (Pin 46) | Operation Mode | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| L | Н | UTP mode and MII interface. | | | |
| L | L | UTP mode and SNI interface. | | | |
| Н | Х | Fiber mode and MII interface. | | | |

Table 22. Setting the Medium Type and Interface Mode to MAC



8.2.2. UTP Mode and MII Interface

| ANE | SPEED | DUPLEX | Operation |
|----------|----------|----------|---|
| (Pin 37) | (Pin 33) | (Pin 51) | |
| Н | L | L | Auto-negotiation enabled. The ability field does not support 100Mbps or full duplex mode operation. |
| Н | L | Н | Auto-negotiation enabled. The ability field does not support 100Mbps operation. |
| Н | Н | L | Auto-negotiation enabled. The ability field does not support full duplex mode operation. |
| Н | Н | Н | Default setup, auto-negotiation enabled. The RTL8201N supports 10Base-T /100Base-TX, half/full duplex mode operation. |
| L | L | L | Auto-negotiation disabled. Forces the RTL8201N into 10Base-T and half duplex mode. |
| L | L | Н | Auto-negotiation disabled. Forces the RTL8201N into 10Base-T and full duplex mode. |
| L | Н | L | Auto-negotiation disabled. Forces the RTL8201N into 100Base-TX and half duplex mode. |
| L | Н | Н | Auto-negotiation disabled. Forces the RTL8201N into 100Base-TX and full duplex mode. |

Table 23. UTP Mode and MII Interface

8.2.3. UTP Mode and SNI Interface

SNI interface to MAC (only operates in 10Base-T when the SNI interface is enabled)

| ANE | SPEED | DUPLEX | Operation | |
|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| (Pin 37) | (Pin 33) | (Pin 51) | | |
| Х | Х | L | The duplex pin is pulled low to support the 10Base-T half duplex function. 10Base-T half duplex is the specified default mode in the SNI interface. | |
| Х | Х | Н | The RTL8201N also supports full duplex in SNI mode. The duplex pin is pulled high to support 10Base-T full duplex function. | |

Table 24. UTP Mode and SNI Interface

8.2.4. Fiber Mode and MII Interface

The RTL8201N only supports 100Base-FX when Fiber mode is enabled. ANE (Auto-Negotiation Enable) and SPEED configuration is ignored when Fiber mode is enabled.

| ANE | SPEED | DUPLEX | Operation | |
|----------|----------|----------|---|--|
| (Pin 37) | (Pin 33) | (Pin 51) | | |
| Х | Х | Н | The duplex pin is pulled high to support 100Base-FX full duplex function. | |
| Х | Х | L | The duplex pin is pulled low to support 100Base-FX half duplex function. | |

Table 25. Fiber Mode and MII Interface



8.3. Flow Control Support

The RTL8201N supports flow control indications. The MAC can program the MII register to indicate to the PHY that flow control is supported. When the MAC supports the Flow Control mechanism, setting bit 10 of the ANAR register using the MDC/MDIO SMI interface, then the RTL8201N will add the ability to its NWay ability. If the Link partner also supports Flow Control, then the RTL8201N can recognize the Link partner's NWay ability by examining bit 10 of ANLPAR (register 5).

8.4. Hardware Configuration and Auto-Negotiation

This section describes methods to configure the RTL8201N and set the auto-negotiation mode. Table 26 shows the various pins and their settings.

| Pin Name | Description |
|----------|---|
| Isolate | Set high to isolate the RTL8201N from the MAC. This will also isolate the MDC/MDIO management interface. In this mode, power consumption is minimum (see 8.6 Power Down, Link Down, Power Saving, and Isolation Modes, page 20). |
| RPTR | Pull high to set the RTL8201N into repeater mode. This pin is pulled low by default (see 8.8 Repeater Mode Operation, page 22). |
| LDPS | Pull high to set the RTL8201N into LDPS mode. This pin is pulled low by default (see 8.6 Power Down, Link Down, Power Saving, and Isolation Modes, page 20). |
| MII/SNIB | Pull high to set RTL8201N into MII mode operation, which is the default mode for the RTL8201. This pin pulled low will set the RTL8201N into SNI mode operation. When set to SNI mode, the RTL8201N will operate at 10Mbps (see 8.5 Serial Network Interface, page 20). |
| ANE | Auto-Negotiation Enable. Pull high to enable auto-negotiation (default). Pull low to disable auto-negotiation and activate the parallel detection mechanism (see 0 Auto-Negotiation and Parallel Detection, page 17). |
| SPEED | When ANE is pulled high, the ability to adjust speed is setup. When ANE is pulled low, pull this pin low to force 10Mbps operation and high to force 100Mbps operation (see 0 Auto-Negotiation and Parallel Detection, page 17). |
| DUPLEX | When ANE is pulled high, the ability to adjust the DUPLEX pin will be setup. When ANE is pulled low, pull this pin low to force half duplex, high to force full duplex operation (see 0 |
| | Auto-Negotiation and Parallel Detection, page 17). |

Table 26. Auto-Negotiation Mode Pin Settings



8.5. Serial Network Interface

The RTL8201N also supports the traditional 7-wire serial interface to operate with legacy MACs or embedded systems. To setup for this mode of operation, pull the MII/SNIB pin low. By doing so, the RTL8201N will ignore the setup of the ANE and SPEED pins. In this mode, the RTL8201N will set the default operation to 10Mbps and half-duplex mode.

Note: The RTL8201N also supports full-duplex mode operation if the DUPLEX pin has been pulled high.

This interface consists of a 10Mbps transmit and receive clock generated by PHY, 10Mbps transmit and receive serial data, transmit enable, collision detect, and carry sense signals.

8.6. Power Down, Link Down, Power Saving, and Isolation Modes

Four types of Power Saving mode operation are supported. This section describes how to implement each mode. The first three modes are configured through software, and the fourth through hardware.

| Mode | Description |
|------------|--|
| Analog Off | Setting bit 11 of register 17 to 1 will put the RTL8201N into analog off state. In analog off state, the RTL8201N will power down all analog functions such as transmit, receive, PLL, etc. However, the internal 25MHz crystal oscillator will not be powered down. Digital functions in this mode are still available which allows reacquisition of analog functions |
| LDPS | Setting bit 12 of register 17 to 1, or pulling the LDPS pin high will put the RTL8201N into LDPS (Link Down Power Saving) mode. In LDPS mode, the RTL8201N will detect the link status to decide whether or not to turn off the transmit function. If the link is off, FLP or 100Mbps IDLE/10Mbps NLP will not be transmitted. However, some signals similar to NLP will be transmitted. Once the receiver detects leveled signals, it will stop the signal and transmit FLP or 100Mbps IDLE/10Mbps NLP again. This can cut power used by 60%~80% when the link is down. |
| PWD | Setting bit 11 of register 0 to 1 puts the RTL8201N into power down mode. This is the maximum power saving mode while the RTL8201N is still alive. In PWD mode, the RTL8201N will turn off all analog/digital functions except the MDC/MDIO management interface. Therefore, if the RTL8201N is put into PWD mode and the MAC wants to recall the PHY, it must create the MDC/MDIO timing by itself (this is done by software). |
| Isolation | This mode is different from the three previous software configured power saving modes. This mode is configured by hardware pin 52. Setting pin 52 high will isolate the RTL8201N from the Media Access Controller (MAC) and the MDC/MDIO management interface. In this mode, power consumption is minimal. |

Table 27. Power Saving Mode Pin Settings



8.7. Media Interface

8.7.1. 100Base-TX Transmit & Receive Operation

100Base-TX Transmit

Transmit data in 4-bit nibbles (TXD[3:0]) clocked at 25MHz (TXC) is transformed into 5B symbol code (4B/5B encoding). Scrambling, serializing, and conversion to 125MHz, and NRZ to NRZI then takes place. After this process, the NRZI signal is passed to the MLT-3 encoder, then to the transmit line driver. The transmitter will first assert TXEN. Before transmitting the data pattern, it will send a /J/K/ symbol (Start-of-frame delimiter), the data symbol, and finally a /T/R/ symbol known as the End-Of-Frame delimiter. For better EMI performance, the seed of the scrambler is based on the PHY address. In a hub/switch environment, each RTL8201N will have different scrambler seeds and so spread the output of the MLT-3 signals.

100Base-TX Receive

The received signal is compensated by the adaptive equalizer to make up for signal loss due to cable attenuation and Inter Symbol Interference (ISI). Baseline Wander Correction monitors the process and dynamically applies corrections to the process of signal equalization. The PLL then recovers the timing information from the signals and from the receive clock. With this, the received signal is sampled to form NRZI data. The next steps are the NRZI to NRZ process, unscrambling of the data, serial to parallel and 5B to 4B conversion, and passing of the 4B nibble to the MII interface.

8.7.2. 100Base-FX Fiber Transmit & Receive Operation

The RTL8201N can be configured as 100Base-FX via hardware configuration. The hardware 100Base-FX setting takes priority over NWay settings. A scrambler is not required in 100Base-FX.

100Base-FX Transmit

Di-bits of TXD are processed as 100Base-TX except without a scrambler before the NRZI stage. Instead of converting to MLT-3 signals, as in 100Base-TX, the serial data stream is driven out as NRZI PECL signals, which enter the fiber transceiver in differential-pairs form.

100Base-FX Receive

The signal is received through PECL receiver inputs from the fiber transceiver and directly passed to the clock recovery circuit for data/clock recovery. The scrambler/de-scrambler is bypassed in 100Base-FX.



8.7.3. 10Base-T Transmit & Receive Operation

10Base-T Transmit

Transmit data in 4-bit nibbles (TXD[3:0]) clocked at 2.5MHz (TXC) is first fed to a parallel-to-serial converter, then the 10Mbps NRZ signal is sent to a Manchester encoder. The Manchester encoder converts the 10Mbps NRZ data into a Manchester Encoded data stream for the TP transmitter and adds a Start of Idle pulse (SOI) at the end of the packet as specified in IEEE 802.3. Finally, the encoded data stream is shaped by a band-limited filter embedded in the RTL8201N and then transmitted.

10Base-T Receive

In 10Base-T receive mode, the Manchester decoder in the RTL8201N converts the Manchester encoded data stream into NRZ data by decoding the data and stripping off the SOI pulse. Then the serial NRZ data stream is converted to a parallel 4-bit nibble signal (RXD[0:3]).

8.8. Repeater Mode Operation

Setting bit 15 of register 17 to 1, or pulling the RPTR pin high, sets the RTL8201N into repeater mode. In repeater mode, the RTL8201N will assert CRS high only when receiving a packet. In NIC mode, the RTL8201N will assert CRS high both when transmitting and receiving packets. If using the RTL8201N in a NIC or switch application, set to the default mode. NIC/Switch mode is the default setting and has the RPTR pin pulled low, or bit 15 of register 17 is set to 0.

8.9. Reset, and Transmit Bias

The RTL8201N can be reset by pulling the RESETB pin low for about 10ms, then pulling the pin high. It can also be reset by setting bit 15 of register 0 to 1, and then setting it back to 0. Reset will clear the registers and re-initialize them. The media interface will disconnect and restart the auto-negotiation/parallel detection process.

The RTSET pin must be pulled low by a $2K\Omega$ resister with 1% accuracy to establish an accurate transmit bias. This will affect the signal quality of the transmit waveform. Keep its circuitry away from other clock traces and transmit/receive paths to avoid signal interference.



8.10. 3.3V Power Supply and Voltage Conversion Circuit

The RTL8201N is fabricated in a 0.15µm process. The core circuit needs to be powered by 1.5V, however, the digital IO and DAC circuits need a 3.3V power supply. Two regulators are embedded in the RTL8201N to convert 3.3V to 1.5V and 1.8V. As with many commercial voltage conversion devices, the 1.5V/1.8V output pin (PWFBOUT) of this circuit requires the use of an output capacitor (22µF tantalum capacitor) as part of the device frequency compensation.

The analog and digital ground planes should be as large and intact as possible. If the ground plane is large enough, the analog and digital grounds can be separated, which is the ideal configuration. However, if the total ground plane is not sufficiently large, partition of the ground plane is not a good idea. In this case, all the ground pins can be connected together to a larger single and intact ground plane.

8.11. Far End Fault Indication

The MII Reg.1.4 (Remote Fault) is the Far End Fault Indication (FEFI) bit when 100FX mode is enabled, and indicates when a FEFI has been detected. FEFI is an alternative in-band signaling method which is composed of 84 consecutive '1's followed by one '0'. When the RTL8201N detects this pattern three times, Reg.1.4 is set, which means the transmit path (the Remote side's receive path) has a problem. On the other hand, if an incoming signal fails to cause a 'Link OK', the RTL8201N will start sending this pattern, which in turn causes the remote side to detect a Far End Fault. This means that the receive path has a problem from the point of view of the RTL8201N. The FEFI mechanism is used only in 100Base-FX mode.



9. Characteristics

9.1. DC Characteristics

9.1.1. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Table 28. Absolute Maximum Ratings | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| Item | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | | | |
| Supply Voltage | 3.0V | 3.3V | 3.6V | | | |
| Storage Temperature | -55°C | | 125°C | | | |

9.1.2. Operating Conditions

Table 29. Operating Conditions

| Item | Condition | Minimum | Typical | Maximum |
|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Vcc 3.3V | 3.3V Supply voltage | 3.0V | 3.3V | 3.6V |
| ТА | Ambient Operating Temperature | 0°C | | 70°C |

9.1.3. Power Dissipation

Test Condition: VCC=3.3V

Table 30. Power Dissipation

| Symbol | Condition | Total Current Consumption |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| P _{LDPS} | Link down power saving mode | 22mA |
| P _{AnaOff} | Analog off mode | 21mA |
| P _{PWD} | Power down mode | 20mA |
| P _{Isolate} | Isolate mode | 19mA |
| P _{100F} | 100Base full duplex | 116mA |
| P _{10F} | 10Base-T full duplex | 151mA |
| P _{10TX} | 10Base-T transmit | 134mA |
| P _{10RX} | 10Base-T receive | 46mA |
| P _{10IDLE} | 10Base-T idle | 27mA |



9.1.4. Input Voltage: Vcc

| Table 31. Input Voltage: Vcc | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|-----------------|------------|------------|--|--|
| Symbol | Condition | | Minimum | Maximum | | |
| TTL V _{IH} | Input High Vol. | | 0.5*Vcc | Vcc +0.5V | | |
| TTL V _{IL} | Input Low Vol. | | -0.5V | 0.3*Vcc | | |
| TTL V _{OH} | Output High Vol. | IOH=-8mA | 0.65*Vcc | Vcc | | |
| TTL V _{OL} | Output Low Vol. | IOL=8mA | | 0.3*Vcc | | |
| TTL I _{OZ} | Tri-state Leakage | Vout=Vcc or GND | -110µA | 10µA | | |
| I _{IN} | Input Current | Vin=Vcc or GND | -1µA | 10µA | | |
| I _{PL} | Input Current with internal weak pull low resistor | Vin=Vcc or GND | -1µA | 100μΑ | | |
| I _{PH} | Input Current with internal weak pull high resistor | Vin=Vcc or GND | -110µA | 10μΑ | | |
| PECL V _{IH} | PECL Input High Vol. | | Vdd -1.16V | Vdd -0.88V | | |
| PECL V _{IL} | PECL Input Low Vol. | | Vdd -1.81V | Vdd -1.47V | | |
| PECL V _{OH} | PECL Output High Vol. | | Vdd -1.02V | | | |
| PECL V _{OL} | PECL Output Low Vol. | | | Vdd -1.62V | | |



9.2. AC Characteristics

9.2.1. MII Transmission Cycle Timing

| ~ | | | nission Cycle | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|---------|---------------|---------|---------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Symbol | Description | | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Unit | | | | | |
| t_1 | TXCLK high pulse width | 100Mbps | 14 | 20 | 26 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | 140 | 200 | 260 | ns | | | | | |
| t ₂ | TXCLK low pulse width | 100Mbps | 14 | 20 | 26 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | 140 | 200 | 260 | ns | | | | | |
| t ₃ | TXCLK period | 100Mbps | | 40 | | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | | 400 | | ns | | | | | |
| t_4 | TXEN, TXD[0:3] setup to | 100Mbps | 10 | 24 | | ns | | | | | |
| | TXCLK rising edge | 10Mbps | 5 | | | ns | | | | | |
| t ₅ | TXEN, TXD[0:3] hold after TXCLK rising edge | 100Mbps | | 10 | 25 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | 5 | | | ns | | | | | |
| t ₆ | TXEN sampled to CRS high | 100Mbps | | | 40 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | | | 400 | ns | | | | | |
| t ₇ | TXEN sampled to CRS low | 100Mbps | | | 160 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | | | 2000 | ns | | | | | |
| t ₈ | Transmit latency | 100Mbps | 60 | 70 | 140 | ns | | | | | |
| | | 10Mbps | | | 2000 | ns | | | | | |
| t9 | Sampled TXEN inactive to end | 100Mbps | | 100 | 170 | ns | | | | | |
| | of frame | 10Mbps | | | | ns | | | | | |

Figure 5 and Figure 6 show an example of a packet transfer from MAC to PHY on the MII interface.



Figure 5. MII Transmission Cycle Timing-1



Figure 6. MII Transmission Cycle Timing-2



9.2.2. MII Reception Cycle Timing

| Table 33. MII Reception Cycle Timing | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Symbol | Description | | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Unit |
| t ₁ | RXCLK high pulse width | 100Mbps | 14 | 20 | 26 | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | 140 | 200 | 260 | ns |
| t ₂ | RXCLK low pulse width | 100Mbps | 14 | 20 | 26 | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | 140 | 200 | 260 | ns |
| t ₃ | RXCLK period | 100Mbps | | 40 | | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | | 400 | | ns |
| t ₄ | RXER, RXDV, RXD[0:3] setup to RXCLK rising edge | 100Mbps | 10 | | | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | 6 | | | ns |
| t ₅ | RXER, RXDV, RXD[0:3] hold | 100Mbps | 10 | | | ns |
| | after RXCLK rising edge | 10Mbps | 6 | | | ns |
| t ₆ | Receive frame to CRS high | 100Mbps | | | 130 | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | | | 2000 | ns |
| t ₇ | End of receive frame to CRS low | 100Mbps | | | 240 | ns |
| | | 10Mbps | | | 1000 | ns |
| t ₈ | Receive frame to sampled edge of | 100Mbps | | | 150 | ns |
| | RXDV | 10Mbps | | | 3200 | ns |
| t9 | End of receive frame to sampled | 100Mbps | | | 120 | ns |
| | edge of RXDV | 10Mbps | | | 1000 | ns |

Figure 7 and Figure 8 show an example of a packet transfer from PHY to MAC on the MII interface.



Figure 7. MII Reception Cycle Timing-1





9.2.3. SNI Transmission Cycle Timing

| Table 34. SNI Transmission Cycle Timing | | | | | | |
|---|---|---------|---------|------|--|--|
| Symbol | Description | Minimum | Maximum | Unit | | |
| t_1 | TXCLK high pulse width | 36 | | ns | | |
| t_2 | TXCLK low pulse width | 36 | | ns | | |
| t ₃ | TXCLK period | 80 | 120 | ns | | |
| t_4 | TXEN, TXD0 setup to TXCLK rising edge | 20 | | ns | | |
| t ₅ | TXEN, TXD0 hold after TXCLK rising edge | 10 | | ns | | |
| t ₈ | Transmit latency | | 50 | ns | | |

Figure 9 and Figure 10 show an example of a packet transfer from MAC to PHY on the SNI interface. *Note: SNI mode only runs at 10Mbps.*



Figure 9. SNI Transmission Cycle Timing-1





9.2.4. SNI Reception Cycle Timing

Table 35. SNI Reception Cycle Timing

| Symbol | Description | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Unit |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| t ₁ | RXCLK high pulse width | 36 | | | ns |
| t ₂ | RXCLK low pulse width | 36 | | | ns |
| t ₃ | RXCLK period | 80 | | 120 | ns |
| t ₄ | RXD0 setup to RXCLK rising edge | 40 | | | ns |
| t ₅ | RXD0 hold after RXCLK rising edge | 40 | | | ns |
| t ₆ | Receive frame to CRS high | | | 50 | ns |
| t ₇ | End of receive frame to CRS low | | | 160 | ns |
| t ₈ | Decoder acquisition time | | 600 | 1800 | ns |

Figure 11 and Figure 12 show an example of a packet transfer from PHY to MAC on the SNI interface. *Note: SNI mode only runs at 10Mbps.*



Figure 11. SNI Reception Cycle Timing-1



Figure 12. SNI Reception Cycle Timing-2



9.2.5. MDC/MDIO Timing

| Table 36. MDC/MDIO Timing | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|------|--|--|
| Symbol | Description | Minimum | Maximum | Unit | | |
| t ₁ | MDC high pulse width | 160 | | ns | | |
| t ₂ | MDC low pulse width | 160 | | ns | | |
| t ₃ | MDC period | 400 | | ns | | |
| t ₄ | MDIO setup to MDC rising edge | 10 | | ns | | |
| t ₅ | MDIO hold time from MDC rising edge | 10 | | ns | | |
| t ₆ | MDIO valid from MDC rising edge | 0 | 300 | ns | | |



Figure 13. MDC/MDIO Timing

Transmission Without Collision

Figure 14 shows an example of a packet transfer from MAC to PHY.



Figure 14. MDC/MDIO MAC to PHY Transmission Without Collision



Reception Without Error

Figure 15 shows an example of a packet transfer from PHY to MAC.



Figure 15. MDC/MDIO PHY to MAC Reception Without Error

9.3. Crystal Characteristics

| Table 37. Crystal Characteristics | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Parameter | Range | | |
| Nominal Frequency | 25.000MHz | | |
| Oscillation Mode | Base wave | | |
| Frequency Tolerance at 25°C | ±50 ppm | | |
| Operating Temperature Range | $-10^{\circ}C \sim +70^{\circ}C$ | | |
| Equivalent Series Resistance | 30 ohm Max. | | |
| Drive Level | 0.1 mV | | |
| Load Capacitance | 20 pF | | |
| Shunt Capacitance | 7 pF Max. | | |
| Insulation Resistance | Mega ohm Min./DC 100V | | |
| Test Impedance Meter | Saunders 250A | | |
| Aging Rate Per Year | ±0.0003% | | |

9.4. Transformer Characteristics

Table 38. Transformer Characteristics

| Parameter | Transmit End | Receive End |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Turn Ratio | 1:1 CT | 1:1 |
| Inductance (min.) | 350 uH @ 8mA | 350 uH @ 8mA |

Note: The auto MDIX detection function requires a transformer with symmetrical TX/RX and Choke after transformer placement, i.e. Pulse Engineer H1251 (refer to the suggested RTL8201N Schematic, which is available for download at www.realtek.com.tw).



10. Mechanical Dimensions





11. Ordering Information

Table 39. Ordering Information

| Part Number | Package | Status |
|---|-------------------------------|--------|
| RTL8201N-GR | 64-pin QFN with Green Package | |
| Note: See page 4 for package identification | | |

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