

Intel® 82550 Fast Ethernet Multifunction PCI/CardBus Controller Product Brief

Overview

The Intel[®] 82550 Fast Ethernet Multifunction PCI/CardBus Controller is a third-generation, fully integrated, Fast Ethernet Media Access Controller (MAC)/Physical Layer (PHY) device. The MAC offers a low-cost, high-performance 10/100Mbps LAN solution. In addition, the 82550 requires low real estate, which is important when competing for precious board space. The 82550's baseline functionality is equivalent to that of the 82559 with the addition of an integrated IP Security (IPSec) encryption engine and Alert on LAN* 2 functionality.

Product Description

The 82550, with an integrated IP Security (IPSec) encryption engine and Alert on LAN functionality, is Intel's premium 10/100 network connectivity solution. It is designed for use in Network Interface Cards (NICs), PC LAN on Motherboard (LOM) designs, embedded systems, and networking systems products. The 82550 combines advanced security and manageability features to provide a secure and easily managed Fast Ethernet connectivity solution for today's networked environment.

The 82550 continues Intel's platform LAN technology leadership by integrating the following features: Triple Data Encryption Standard (3DES) IPSec encryption engine, Alert on LAN 2 functionality and Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) 1.2A-based power management. It also supports wake on Magic Packet*, wake on interesting packet, and advanced System Management Bus (SMB) manageability. The 82550 complies with Wired for Management (WfM) Specification 2.0, PC 01 and Server 00 specifications. The 82550 is pin compatible with the 82559, allowing these designs to be upgraded.

Applications

The 82550 is designed for use in the following applications:

- LAN on Motherboard (LOM) implementations
- Network Interface Card (NIC) adapters

Product Features

- Enhanced IP Support
 - TCP, UDP, IPv4 checksum offload
 - Received checksum verification
 - IP Security support
- Quality of Service (QoS)
- Multiple priority transmit queues
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- Optimum Integration for Lowest Cost Solution
 - Integrated IP Security encryption engine
 - Integrated IEEE 802.3 10BASE-T and 100BASE-TX compatible PHY
 - 32-bit PCI/CardBus master interface
 - Modem interface for combination solutions
 - Integrated power management functions
- Thin BGA 15 mm² package

- Embedded applications
- Networking systems
- Wired for Management (WfM) and Reduced Total Cost of Ownership
 - Wired for Management support
 - Integrated Alert on LAN 2 support
 - Advanced Configuration and Power Interface and PCI power management specifications compliance
 - Wake on "interesting" packets and link status change support
 - Magic Packet support
 - Remote power-up support
- High-performance networking functions
- Early release
- Chained memory structure similar to the 82559, 82558, 82557, and 82596
- Improved dynamic transmit chaining with multiple priorities transmit queues

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Product Features (cont.)

- Backward compatible software to the 82559, 82558 and 82557
- Full-duplex support at both 10 and 100Mbps operation
- IEEE 802.3u Auto-Negotiation support
- 3 Kbyte transmit and 3 Kbyte receive FIFOs
- Fast back-to-back transmission support with minimum interframe spacing

- IEEE 802.3x 100BASE-TX
- Flow Control support
- Adaptive Technology
- Low-power features
- Advanced Power Management (APM) capabilities
- Low power +3.3V device
- Efficient dynamic standby mode
- Deep Power down support
- Clockrun protocol support

Features	Benefits	82550GY	82550EY	82559
Improved IPSec encryption offload performance	 Quicker encryption/decryption response times 			
Integrated UNDI ROM support	Minimizes the need for an external ROM			
Improved Deep Power down power consumption levels	Greater battery life on mobile platforms			
MDIx and HWI Alerting	Assists in troubleshooting network connectivity problems			
Integrated IPSec encryption engine	Provides increased encryption performance versus software encryption only and eliminates need for a separate crypto component	•	•	
Integrated Alert on LAN* 2 functionality	 Increased Alert on LAN functionality Eliminates need for a separate Alert on LAN 2 device 	•	•	
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 	•	•	
 Wired for Management (WfM) and Net PC Specifications compliant Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) Specifications compliant Magic Packet filtering for Wake on LAN* Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) and flexible frame filtering 	 Enables PCs to be remotely managed for lower Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) Provides various power down states and the ability to "wake-up" on a unique packet addressed to the system Allows virtually connected IPv6, IPv4, Windows NT*, or next-generation systems 	-	•	
Backwards compatible software drivers	 ■ Allows systems developed with the EtherExpress[™] PRO/100B or 82557 to use the same device drivers ■ Robust, well-tested, high-performance drivers 	•	•	•
Improved dynamic transmit chaining	Enhanced performance		•	
Hardware IP checksum assist	Maximizes system throughput by reducing CPU overhead under IP			
Integrated management port	Enables direct interface to future Total Cost of Ownership-enabled system chipsets			
Enhanced power management	Minimizes power requirements			
CardBus and modem support	Enables combination CardBus			
Common driver support	LAN/modem designs Allows common driver support across both PC card and NIC			
 Programmable transmit threshold Early receive interrupt Large internal receive and transmit buffers FLASH memory support 	Utilizes bus more efficiently Processes receive data concurrently Prevents data overruns or underruns Enables back-to-back frame transmission within interframe spacing Supports network management and remote boot		•	•

Characteristics

Electrical Power Supply ■ 3.3V ± 5%

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Environmental

Operating temperature ■ 0°C to +85°C (maximum)

Storage temperature

■ -65°C to 140°C

Physical

Package

196-pin BGA

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