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3.3-V 10Base-T/100Base-TX Integrated PHYceiver™

General

The ICS1893BF is a low-power, physical-layer device (PHY) that supports the ISO/IEC 10Base-T and 100Base-TX Carrier-Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Ethernet standards, ISO/IEC 8802-3.

The ICS1893BF is intended for MII, Node applications that require the Auto-MDIX feature that automatically corrects crossover errors in plant wiring.

The ICS1893BF incorporates Digital-Signal Processing (DSP) control in its Physical-Medium Dependent (PMD) sub layer. As a result, it can transmit and receive data on unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) category 5 cables with attenuation in excess of 24 dB at 100MHz. With this ICS-patented technology, the ICS1893BF can virtually eliminate errors from killer packets.

The ICS1893BF provides a Serial-Management Interface for exchanging command and status information with a Station-Management (STA) entity. The ICS1893BF Media-Dependent Interface (MDI) can be configured to provide either half- or full-duplex operation at data rates of 10 Mb/s or 100Mb/s.

The ICS1893BF is available in a 300-mil 48-lead SSOP package. The ICS1893BF shares the same proven performance circuitry with the ICS1893AF but is not a pin-for-pin replacement of the 1893AF. An application note for a dual footprint layout to accommodate ICS1893AF or ICS1893BF is available on the ICS website.

Applications: NIC cards, PC motherboards, switches, routers, DSL and cable modems, game machines, printers.

Features

- Supports category 5 cables with attenuation in excess of 24dB at 100 MHz.
- Single-chip, fully integrated PHY provides PCS, PMA, PMD, and AUTONEG sub layers functions of IEEE standard.
- 10Base-T and 100Base-TX IEEE 8802.3 compliant
- Single 3.3V power supply
- Highly configurable, supports:
 - Media Independent Interface (MII)
 - Auto-Negotiation with Parallel detection
 - Node applications, managed or unmanaged
 - 10M or 100M full and half-duplex modes
 - Loopback mode for Diagnostic Functions
 - Auto-MDI/MDIX crossover correction
- Low-power CMOS (typically 400 mW)
- Power-Down mode typically 21mW
- Clock and crystal supported
- Fully integrated, DSP-based PMD includes:
 - Adaptive equalization and baseline-wander correction
 - Transmit wave shaping and stream cipher scrambler
 - MLT-3 encoder and NRZ/NRZI encoder
- Small footprint 48-pin 300 mil. SSOP package
- Also available in small footprint 56-pin 8x8 MLF2 package
- Available in Industrial Temp

ICS1893BF Block Diagram

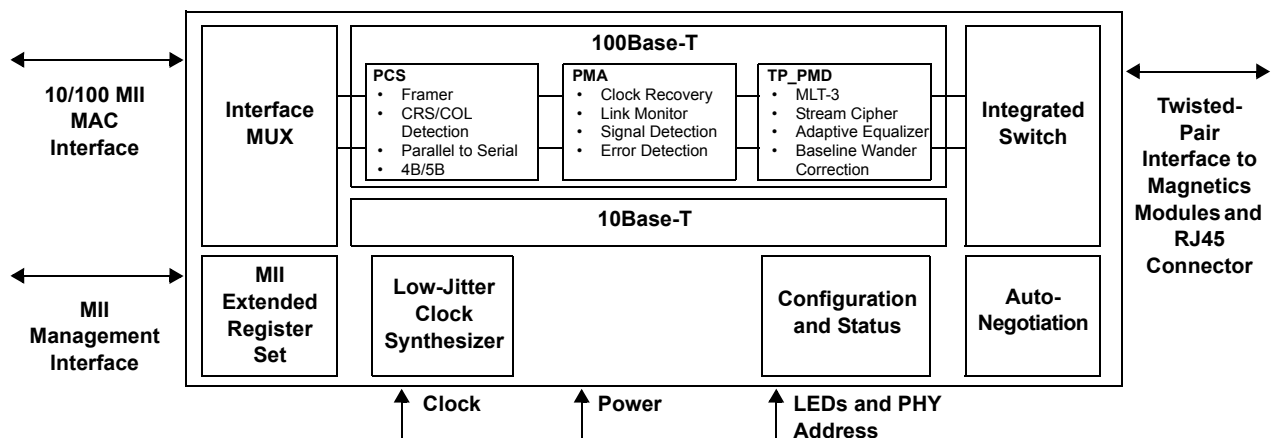




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Revision History

- The initial release of this document, Rev A, is dated October 31, 2003
- Rev. B is dated March 24, 2004. The following list indicates changes made.
 - Page 1. Document status changes from Rev. A to Rev. B. Also, two new bullet items were added to Features column, the first for a new package type, the second that the device is available in industrial temperature and lead-free. Lastly, bullet item “Supports category 5 cables . . .” deleted.
 - Pages 2 through 8, Table of Contents updated to reflect the Rev. B changes.
 - Page 26. The letters “BF” added to ICS1893 in Figure 5-1.
 - Page 27. ICS1893BF device number added, two places in Figure 5-2.
 - Page 28. Table 5-1 revised.
 - Page 83. Table 7-18. Correction made in Bit 17.3 row.
 - Page 92. Tables 8-1, -2, -3. ICS1893BF device number added to table titles, Table 8-2 deleted. Table numbering sequence changed to reflect the deletion.
 - Page 97. ICS1893BF device number added to [now] Table 8-3. New row added to table. Typo corrected in Signal Name column. In addition, ICS1893BF device number added to [now] Table 8-4.
 - Page 99. Table 8-7. Typographical corrections (removed unnecessary commas).
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 - Page 111. Industrial Temperature operating conditions added to Table 9-2.
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 - Page 136. Table 11-1 ICS1893BF ordering information revised to add new package options.
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- Rev F, 05/13/10 – Removed non-green parts per PDN U-09-01.

Chapter 1 Abbreviations and Acronyms

Table 1-1 lists and interprets the abbreviations and acronyms used throughout this data sheet.

Table 1-1. Abbreviations and Acronyms

Abbreviation / Acronym	Interpretation
4B/5B	4-Bit / 5-Bit Encoding/Decoding
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
CMOS	complimentary metal-oxide semiconductor
CSMA/CD	Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection
CW	Command Override Write
DSP	digital signal processing
ESD	End-of-Stream Delimiter
FDDI	Fiber Distributed Data Interface
FLL	frequency-locked loop
FLP	Fast Link Pulse
IDL	A 'dead' time on the link following a 10Base-T packet, not to be confused with idle
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
ISO	International Standards Organization
LH	Latching High
LL	Latching Low
LMX	Latching Maximum
MAC	Media Access Control
Max.	maximum
Mbps	Megabits per second
MDI	Media Dependent Interface
MDIX	Media Independent Interface Crossed
MF	Management Frame
MII	Media Independent Interface
Min.	minimum
MLT-3	Multi-Level Transition Encoding (3 Levels)
N/A	Not Applicable
NLP	Normal Link Pulse
No.	Number
NRZ	Not Return to Zero
NRZI	Not Return to Zero, Invert on one

Table 1-1. Abbreviations and Acronyms (*Continued*)

Abbreviation / Acronym	Interpretation
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
OUI	Organizationally Unique Identifier
PCS	Physical Coding sublayer
PHY	physical-layer device The ICS1893BF is a physical-layer device, also referred to as a 'PHY' or 'PHYceiver'. (The ICS1890 is also a physical-layer device.)
PLL	phase-locked loop
PMA	Physical Medium Attachment
PMD	Physical Medium Dependent
ppm	parts per million
RO	read only
R/W	read/write
R/W0	read/write zero
SC	self-clearing
SF	Special Functions
SFD	Start-of-Frame Delimiter
SI	Stream Interface, Serial Interface, or Symbol Interface. With reference to the MII/SI pin, the acronym 'SI' has multiple meanings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generically, SI means 'Stream Interface', and is documented as such in this data sheet. • However, when the MAC Interface is configured for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 10M operations, SI is an acronym for 'Serial Interface'. – 100M operations, SI is an acronym for 'Symbol Interface'.
SQE	Signal Quality Error
SSD	Start-of-Stream Delimiter
SSOP	Small Shrink Outline Package
STA	Station Management Entity
STP	shielded twisted pair
TAF	Technology Ability Field
TP-PMD	Twisted-Pair Physical Layer Medium Dependent
Typ.	typical
UTP	unshielded twisted pair

Chapter 2 Conventions and Nomenclature

Table 2-1 lists and explains the conventions and nomenclature used throughout this data sheet.

Table 2-1. Conventions and Nomenclature

Item	Convention / Nomenclature
Bits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bit in a register is identified using the format 'register.bit'. For example, bit 0.15 is bit 15 of register 0. • When a colon is used with bits, it indicates the range of bits. For example, bits 1.15:11 are bits 15, 14, 13, 12, and 11 of register 1. • For a range of bits, the order is always from the most-significant bit to the least-significant bit.
Code groups	Within this table, see the item 'Symbols'
Colon (:)	Within this table, see these items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Bits' • 'Pin (or signal) names'
Numbers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a default, all numbers use the decimal system (that is, base 10) unless followed by a lowercase letter. A string of numbers followed by a lowercase letter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A 'b' represents a binary (base 2) number – An 'h' represents a hexadecimal (base 16) number – An 'o' represents an octal (base 8) number • All numerical references to registers use decimal notation (and not hexadecimal).
Pin (or signal) names	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pin or signal names are provided in capital letters. • A pin name that includes a forward slash '/' is a multi-function, configuration pin. These pins provide the ability to select between two ICS1893BF functions. The name provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Before the '/' indicates the pin name and function when the signal level on the pin is logic zero. – After the '/' indicates the pin name and function when the signal level on the pin is logic one. For example, the HW/SW pin selects between Hardware (HW) mode and Software (SW) mode. When the signal level on the HW/SW pin is logic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Zero, the ICS1893BF Hardware mode is selected. – One, the ICS1893BF Software mode is selected. • An 'n' appended to the end of a pin name or signal name (such as RESETn) indicates an active-low operation. • When a colon is used with pin or signal names, it indicates a range. For example, TXD[3:0] represents pins/signals TXD3, TXD2, TXD1, and TXD0. • When pin name abbreviations are spelled out, words in parentheses indicate additional description that is not part of the pin name abbreviation.
Registers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bit in a register is identified using the format 'register.bit'. For example, bit 0.15 is bit 15 of register 0. • All numerical references to registers use decimal notation (and not hexadecimal). • When register name abbreviations are spelled out, words in parentheses indicate additional description that is not part of the register name abbreviation.

Table 2-1. Conventions and Nomenclature (*Continued*)

Item	Convention / Nomenclature
Signal references	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When referring to signals, the terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – ‘FALSE’, ‘low’, or ‘zero’ represent signals that are logic zero. – ‘TRUE’, ‘high’, or ‘one’ represent signals that are logic one. • Chapter 9, “DC and AC Operating Conditions” defines the electrical specifications for ‘logic zero’ and ‘logic one’ signals.
Symbols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In this data sheet, code group names are referred to as ‘symbols’ and they are shown between ‘/’ (slashes). For example, the symbol /J/ represents the first half of the Start-of-Stream Delimiter (SSD1). • Symbol sequences are shown in succession. For example, //J/K/ represents an IDLE followed by the SSD.
Terms: ‘set’, ‘active’, ‘asserted’,	<p>The terms ‘set’, ‘active’, and ‘asserted’ are synonymous. They do not necessarily infer logic one. (For example, an active-low signal can be set to logic zero.)</p>
Terms: ‘cleared’, ‘de-asserted’, ‘inactive’	<p>The terms ‘cleared’, ‘inactive’, and ‘de-asserted’ are synonymous. They do not necessarily infer logic zero.</p>
Terms: ‘twisted-pair receiver’	<p>In reference to the ICS1893BF, the term ‘Twisted-Pair Receiver’ refers to the set of Twisted-Pair Receive output pins (TP_RXP and TP_RXN).</p>
Terms: ‘twisted-pair transmitter’	<p>In reference to the ICS1893BF, the term ‘Twisted-Pair Transmitter’ refers to the set of Twisted-Pair Transmit output pins (TP_TXP and TP_TXN).</p>

Chapter 3 Overview of the ICS1893BF

The ICS1893BF is a stream processor. During data transmission, it accepts sequential nibbles from its MAC (Media Access Control) converts them into a serial bit stream, encodes them, and transmits them over the medium through an external isolation transformer. When receiving data, the ICS1893BF converts and decodes a serial bit stream (acquired from an isolation transformer that interfaces with the medium) into sequential nibbles. It subsequently presents these nibbles to its MAC Interface.

The ICS1893BF implements the OSI model's physical layer, consisting of the following, as defined by the ISO/IEC 8802-3 standard:

- Physical Coding sublayer (PCS)
- Physical Medium Attachment sublayer (PMA)
- Physical Medium Dependent sublayer (PMD)
- Auto-Negotiation sublayer

The ICS1893BF is transparent to the next layer of the OSI model, the link layer. The link layer has two sublayers: the Logical Link Control sublayer and the MAC sublayer. The ICS1893BF can interface directly to the MAC.

The ICS1893BF transmits framed packets acquired from its MAC Interface and receives encapsulated packets from another PHY, which it translates and presents to its MAC Interface.

Note: As per the ISO/IEC standard, the ICS1893BF does not affect, nor is it affected by, the underlying structure of the MAC frame it is conveying.

3.1 100Base-TX Operation

During 100Base-TX data transmission, the ICS1893BF accepts packets from a MAC and inserts Start-of-Stream Delimiters (SSDs) and End-of-Stream Delimiters (ESDs) into the data stream. The ICS1893BF encapsulates each MAC frame, including the preamble, with an SSD and an ESD. As per the ISO/IEC Standard, the ICS1893BF replaces the first octet of each MAC preamble with an SSD and appends an ESD to the end of each MAC frame.

When receiving data from the medium, the ICS1893BF removes each SSD and replaces it with the pre-defined preamble pattern before presenting the nibbles to its MAC Interface. When the ICS1893BF encounters an ESD in the received data stream, signifying the end of the frame, it ends the presentation of nibbles to its MAC Interface. Therefore, the local MAC receives an unaltered copy of the transmitted frame sent by the remote MAC.

During periods when MAC frames are being neither transmitted nor received, the ICS1893BF signals and detects the IDLE condition on the Link Segment. In the 100Base-TX mode, the ICS1893BF transmit channel sends a continuous stream of scrambled ones to signify the IDLE condition. Similarly, the ICS1893BF receive channel continually monitors its data stream and looks for a pattern of scrambled ones. The results of this signaling and monitoring provide the ICS1893BF with the means to establish the integrity of the Link Segment between itself and its remote link partner and inform its Station Management Entity (STA) of the link status.

For 100M data transmission, the ICS1893BF MAC Interface is configured to provide a 100M Media Independent Interface (MII).

3.2 10Base-T Operation

During 10Base-T data transmission, the ICS1893BF inserts only the IDL delimiter into the data stream. The ICS1893BF appends the IDL delimiter to the end of each MAC frame. However, since the 10Base-T preamble already has a Start-of-Frame delimiter (SFD), it is not required that the ICS1893BF insert an SSD-like delimiter.

When receiving data from the medium (such as a twisted-pair cable), the ICS1893BF uses the preamble to synchronize its receive clock. When the ICS1893BF receive clock establishes lock, it presents the preamble nibbles to its MAC Interface. The 10M MAC Interface uses the standard MII Interface.

In 10M operations, during periods when MAC frames are being neither transmitted nor received, the ICS1893BF signals and detects Normal Link Pulses. This action allows the integrity of the Link Segment with the remote link partner to be established and then reported to the ICS1893BF's STA.

Chapter 4 Operating Modes Overview

The ICS1893BF operating modes are typically controlled from software.

The ICS1893BF register bits are accessible through a standard MII (Media Independent Interface) Serial Management Port.

The ICS1893BF is configured to support the MAC Interface as a 10M MII or a 100M MII. The protocol on the Medium Dependent Interface (MDI) can be configured to support either 10M or 100M operations in either half-duplex or full-duplex modes.

The ICS1893BF is fully compliant with the ISO/IEC 8802-3 standard, as it pertains to both 10Base-T and 100Base-TX operations. The feature-rich ICS1893BF allows easy migration from 10-Mbps to 100-Mbps operations as well as from systems that require support of both 10M and 100M links.

This chapter is an overview of the following ICS1893BF modes of operation:

- [Section 4.1, “Reset Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.2, “Power-Down Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.3, “Automatic Power-Saving Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.4, “Auto-Negotiation Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.5, “100Base-TX Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.6, “10Base-T Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.7, “Half-Duplex and Full-Duplex Operations”](#)
- [Section 4.8, “Auto-MDI/MDIX Crossover”](#)

4.1 Reset Operations

This section first discusses reset operations in general and then specific ways in which the ICS1893BF can be configured for various reset options.

4.1.1 General Reset Operations

The following reset operations apply to all the specific ways in which the ICS1893BF can be reset, which are discussed in [Section 4.1.2, “Specific Reset Operations”](#).

4.1.1.1 Entering Reset

When the ICS1893BF enters a reset condition (either through hardware, power-on reset, or software), it does the following:

1. Isolates the MAC Interface input pins
2. Drives all MAC Interface output pins low
3. Tri-states the signals on its Twisted-Pair Transmit pins (TP_TXP and TP_TXN)
4. Initializes all its internal modules and state machines to their default states
5. Enters the power-down state
6. Initializes all internal latching low (LL), latching high (LH), and latching maximum (LMX) Management Register bits to their default values

4.1.1.2 Exiting Reset

When the ICS1893BF exits a reset condition, it does the following:

1. Exits the power-down state
2. Latches the Serial Management Port Address of the ICS1893BF into the Extended Control Register, bits 16.10:6. [See [Section 7.11.3, “PHY Address \(bits 16.10:6\)”](#).]
3. Enables all its internal modules and state machines
4. Sets all Management Register bits to their default values
5. Enables the Twisted-Pair Transmit pins (TP_TXP and TP_TXN)
6. Resynchronizes both its Transmit and Receive Phase-Locked Loops, which provide its transmit clock (TXCLK) and receive clock (RXCLK)
7. Releases all MAC Interface pins, which takes a maximum of 640 ns after the reset condition is removed

4.1.1.3 Hot Insertion

As with the ICS189X products, the ICS1893BF reset design supports ‘hot insertion’ of its MII. (That is, the ICS1893BF can connect its MAC Interface to a MAC while power is already applied to the MAC.)

4.1.2 Specific Reset Operations

This section discusses the following specific ways that the ICS1893BF can be reset:

- Hardware reset (using the RESETh pin)
- Power-on reset (applying power to the ICS1893BF)
- Software reset (using Control Register bit 0.15)

Note: At the completion of a reset (either hardware, power-on, or software), the ICS1893BF sets all registers to their default values.

4.1.2.1 Hardware Reset

Entering Hardware Reset

Holding the active-low RESETh pin low for a minimum of five REF_IN clock cycles initiates a hardware reset (that is, the ICS1893BF enters the reset state). During reset, the ICS1893BF executes the steps listed in [Section 4.1.1.1, “Entering Reset”](#).

Exiting Hardware Reset

After the signal on the RESETh pin transitions from a low to a high state, the ICS1893BF completes in 640 ns (that is, in 16 REF_IN clocks) steps 1 through 5, listed in [Section 4.1.1.2, “Exiting Reset”](#). After the first five steps are completed, the Serial Management Port is ready for normal operations, but this action does not signify the end of the reset cycle. The reset cycle completes when the transmit clock (TXCLK) and receive clock (RXCLK) are available, which is typically 53 ms after the RESETh pin goes high. [For details on this transition, see [Section 9.5.16, “Reset: Hardware Reset and Power-Down”](#).]

Note:

1. The MAC Interface is not available for use until the TXCLK and RXCLK are valid.
2. The Control Register bit 0.15 does not represent the status of a hardware reset. It is a self-clearing bit that is used to initiate a software reset.

4.1.2.2 Power-On Reset

Entering Power-On Reset

When power is applied to the ICS1893BF, it waits until the potential between VDD and VSS achieves a minimum voltage before entering reset and executing the steps listed in [Section 4.1.1.1, “Entering Reset”](#). After entering reset from a power-on condition, the ICS1893BF remains in reset for approximately 20 μs. (For details on this transition, see [Section 9.5.15, “Reset: Power-On Reset”](#).)

Exiting Power-On Reset

The ICS1893BF automatically exits reset and performs the same steps as for a hardware reset. (See [Section 4.1.1.2, “Exiting Reset”](#).)

Note: The only difference between a hardware reset and a power-on reset is that during a power-on reset, the ICS1893BF isolates its RESETh input pin. All other functionality is the same. As with a hardware reset, Control Register bit 0.15 does not represent the status of a power-on reset.

4.1.2.3 Software Reset

Entering Software Reset

Initiation of a software reset occurs when a management entity writes a logic one to Control Register bit 0.15. When this write occurs, the ICS1893BF enters the reset state for two REF_IN clock cycles.

Note: Entering a software reset is nearly identical to entering a hardware reset or a power-on reset, except that during a software-initiated reset, the ICS1893BF does not enter the power-down state.

Exiting Software Reset

At the completion of a reset (either hardware, power-on, or software), the ICS1893BF sets all registers to their default values. This action automatically clears (that is, sets equal to logic zero) Control Register bit 0.15, the software reset bit. Therefore, for a software reset (only), bit 0.15 is a self-clearing bit that indicates the completion of the reset process.

Note:

1. The RESETn pin is active low but Control Register bit 0.15 is active high.
2. Exiting a software reset is nearly identical to exiting a hardware reset or a power-on reset, except that upon exiting a software-initiated reset, the ICS1893BF does not re-latch its Serial Management Port Address into the Extended Control Register. [For information on the Serial Management Port Address, see [Section 7.11.3, “PHY Address \(bits 16.10:6\)”](#).]
3. The Control Register bit 0.15 does not represent the status of a hardware reset. It is a self-clearing bit that is used to initiate a software reset. During a hardware or power-on reset, Control Register bit 0.15 does not get set to logic one. As a result, this bit 0.15 cannot be used to indicate the completion of the reset process for hardware or power-on resets.

4.2 Power-Down Operations

The ICS1893BF enters the power-down state whenever either (1) the RESETn pin is low or (2) Control Register bit 0.11 (the Power-Down bit) is logic one. In the power-down state, the ICS1893BF disables all internal functions and drives all MAC Interface output pins to logic zero except for those that support the MII Serial Management Port. In addition, the ICS1893BF tri-states its Twisted-Pair Transmit pins (TP_TXP and TP_TXN) to achieve an additional reduction in power.

There is one significant difference between entering the power-down state by setting Control Register bit 0.11 as opposed to entering the power-down state during a reset. When the ICS1893BF enters the power-down state:

- By setting Control Register bit 0.11, the ICS1893BF maintains the value of all Management Register bits except for the latching low (LL), latching high (LH), and latching maximum (LMX) status bits. Instead, these LL, LH, and LMX Management Register bits are re-initialized to their default values.
- During a reset, the ICS1893BF sets all of its Management Register bits to their default values. It does not maintain the state of any Management Register bit.

For more information on power-down operations, see the following:

- [Section 7.14, “Register 19: Extended Control Register 2”](#)
- [Section 9.4, “DC Operating Characteristics”](#), which has tables that specify the ICS1893BF power consumption while in the power-down state

4.3 Automatic Power-Saving Operations

The ICS1893BF has power-saving features that automatically minimize its total power consumption while it is operating. [Table 4-1](#) lists the ICS1893BF automatic power-saving features for the various modes.

Table 4-1. Automatic Power-Saving Features, 10Base-T and 100Base-TX Modes

Power-Saving Feature	Mode for ICS1893BF	
	10Base-T Mode	100Base-TX Mode
Disable Internal Modules	In 10Base-T mode, the ICS1893BF disables all its internal 100Base-TX modules.	In 100Base-TX mode, the ICS1893BF disables all its internal 10Base-T modules.
STA Control of Automatic Power-Saving Features	When an STA sets the state of the ICS1893BF Extended Control Register 2, bit 19.0 to logic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero, the 100Base-TX modules always remain enabled, even during 10Base-T operations. • One, the ICS1893BF automatically disables 100Base-TX modules while the ICS1893BF is operating in 10Base-T mode. 	When an STA sets the state of the ICS1893BF Extended Control Register 2, bit 19.1 to logic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero, the 10Base-T modules always remain enabled, even during 100Base-TX operations. • One, the ICS1893BF automatically disables 10Base-T modules while the ICS1893BF is operating in 100Base-TX mode.

4.4 Auto-Negotiation Operations

The ICS1893BF has an Auto-Negotiation sublayer and provides a Control Register bit (bit 0.12) to determine whether its Auto-Negotiation sublayer is enabled or disabled.

When enabled, the ICS1893BF Auto-Negotiation sublayer exchanges technology capability data with its remote link partner and automatically selects the highest-performance operating mode it has in common with its remote link partner. For example, if the ICS1893BF supports 100Base-TX and 10Base-T modes – but its link partner supports 100Base-TX and 100Base-T4 modes – the two devices automatically select 100Base-TX as the highest-performance common operating mode. For details regarding initialization and control of the auto-negotiation process, see [Section 6.2, “Functional Block: Auto-Negotiation”](#).

4.5 100Base-TX Operations

The ICS1893BF 100Base-TX mode provides 100Base-TX physical layer (PHY) services as defined in the ISO/IEC 8802-3 standard. In the 100Base-TX mode, the ICS1893BF is a 100M translator between a MAC and the physical transmission medium. As such, the ICS1893BF has two interfaces, both of which are fully configurable: one to the MAC and one to the Link Segment. In 100Base-TX mode, the ICS1893BF provides the following functions:

- Data conversion from both parallel-to-serial and serial-to-parallel formats
- Data encoding/decoding (4B/5B, NRZ/NRZI, and MLT-3)
- Data scrambling/descrambling
- Data transmission/reception over a twisted-pair medium

To accurately transmit and receive data, the ICS1893BF employs DSP-based wave shaping, adaptive equalization, and baseline wander correction. In addition, in 100Base-TX mode, the ICS1893BF provides a variety of control and status means to assist with Link Segment management. For more information on 100Base-TX, see [Section 6.4, “Functional Block: 100Base-TX TP-PMD Operations”](#).

4.6 10Base-T Operations

The ICS1893BF 10Base-T mode provides 10Base-T physical layer (PHY) services as defined in the ISO/IEC 8802-3 standard. In the 10Base-T mode, the ICS1893BF is a 10M translator between a MAC and the physical transmission medium. In 10Base-T mode, the ICS1893BF provides the following functions:

- Data conversion from both parallel-to-serial and serial-to-parallel formats
- Manchester data encoding/decoding
- Data transmission/reception over a twisted-pair medium

4.7 Half-Duplex and Full-Duplex Operations

The ICS1893BF supports half-duplex and full-duplex operations for both 10Base-T and 100Base-TX applications. Full-duplex operation allows simultaneous transmission and reception of data, which effectively doubles the Link Segment throughput to either 20 Mbps (for 10Base-T operations) or 200 Mbps (for 100Base-TX operations).

As per the ISO/IEC standard, full-duplex operations differ slightly from half-duplex operations. These differences are necessary, as during full-duplex operations a PHY actively uses both its transmit and receive data paths simultaneously.

- In 10Base-T full-duplex operations, the ICS1893BF disables its loopback function (that is, it does not automatically loop back data from its transmitter to its receiver) and disables its SQE Test function.
- In both 10Base-T and 100Base-TX full-duplex operations, the ICS1893BF asserts its CRS signal only in response to receive activity while its COL signal always remains inactive.

For more information on half-duplex and full-duplex operations, see the following sections:

- [Section 7.2, “Register 0: Control Register”](#)
- [Section 7.2.8, “Duplex Mode \(bit 0.8\)”](#)
- [Section 7.3, “Register 1: Status Register”](#)
- [Section 7.6, “Register 4: Auto-Negotiation Register”](#)

4.8 Auto-MDI/MDIX Crossover (New)

The ICS1893BF includes the auto-MDI/MDIX crossover feature. In a typical CAT 5 Ethernet installation the transmit twisted pair signal pins of the RJ45 connector are crossed over in the CAT 5 wiring to the partners receive twisted pair signal pins and receive twisted pair to the partners transmit twisted pair. This is usually accomplished in the wiring plant. Hubs generally wire the RJ45 connector crossed to accomplish the crossover. Two types of CAT 5 cables (straight and crossed) are available to achieve the correct connection. The Auto-MDI/MDIX feature automatically corrects for miss-wired installations by automatically swapping transmit and receive signal pairs at the PHY when no link results. Auto-MDI/MDIX is automatic, but may be disabled for test purposes using the AMDIX_EN pin or by writing MDIO register 19 Bits 9:8 in the MDIO register. The Auto-MDI/MDIX function is independent of Auto-Negotiation and precedes Auto-Negotiation when enabled.

Chapter 5 Interface Overviews

The ICS1893BF MAC Interface is fully configurable, thereby allowing it to accommodate many different applications.

This chapter includes overviews of the following MAC-to-PHY interfaces:

- [Section 5.1, “MII Data Interface”](#)
- [Section 5.2, “Serial Management Interface”](#)
- [Section 5.3, “Twisted-Pair Interface”](#)
- [Section 5.4, “Clock Reference Interface”](#)
- [Section 5.5, “Status Interface”](#)

5.1 MII Data Interface

The ICS1893BF's MAC Interface is the Media Independent Interface (MII) operating at either 10 Mbps or 100 Mbps. The ICS1893BF MAC Interface is configured for the MII Data Interface mode, data is transferred between the PHY and the MAC as framed, 4-bit parallel nibbles. In addition, the interface also provides status and control signals to synchronize the transfers.

The ICS1893BF provides a full complement of the ISO/IEC-specified MII signals. Its MII has both a transmit and a receive data path to synchronously exchange 4 bits of data (that is, nibbles).

- The ICS1893BF's MII transmit data path includes the following:
 - A data nibble, TXD[3:0]
 - A transmit data clock to synchronize transfers, TXCLK
 - A transmit enable signal, TXEN
 - The TXER pin is not available on the ICS1893BF
- The ICS1893BF's MII receive data path includes the following:
 - A separate data nibble, RXD[3:0]
 - A receive data clock to synchronize transfers, RXCLK
 - A receive data valid signal, RXDV

Both the MII transmit clock and the MII receive clock are provided to the MAC/Reconciliation sublayer by the ICS1893BF (that is, the ICS1893BF sources the TXCLK and RXCLK signals to the MAC).

Clause 22 also defines as part of the MII a Carrier Sense signal (CRS) and a Collision Detect signal (COL). The ICS1893BF is fully compliant with these definitions and sources both of these signals to the MAC.

When operating in:

- Half-duplex mode, the ICS1893BF asserts the Carrier Sense signal when data is being either transmitted or received. While operating in half-duplex mode, the ICS1893BF also asserts its Collision Detect signal to indicate that data is being received while a transmission is in progress.
- Full-duplex mode, the ICS1893BF asserts the Carrier Sense signal only when receiving data and forces the Collision Detect signal to remain inactive.

As mentioned in [Section 4.1.1.3, "Hot Insertion"](#), the ICS1893BF design allows hot insertion of its MII. That is, it is possible to connect its MII to a MAC when power is already applied to the MAC. To support this functionality, the ICS1893BF isolates its MII signals and tri-states the signals on all Twisted-Pair Transmit pins (TP_TXP and TP_TXN) during a power-on reset. Upon completion of the reset process, the ICS1893BF enables its MII and enables its Twisted-Pair Transmit signals.

5.2 Serial Management Interface

The ICS1893BF provides an ISO/IEC compliant, two-wire Serial Management Interface as part of its MAC Interface. This Serial Management Interface is used to exchange control, status, and configuration information between a Station Management entity (STA) and the physical layer device (PHY), that is, the ICS1893BF.

The ISO/IEC standard also specifies a frame structure and protocol for this interface as well as a set of Management Registers that provide the STA with access to a PHY such as the ICS1893BF. A Serial Management Interface is comprised of two signals: a bi-directional data pin (MDIO) along with an associated input pin for a clock (MDC). The clock is used to synchronize all data transfers between the ICS1893BF and the STA.

In addition to the ISO/IEC defined registers, the ICS1893BF provides several extended status and control registers to provide more refined control of the MII and MDI interfaces. For example, the QuickPoll Detailed Status Register provides the ability to acquire the most-important status functions with a single MDIO read.

Note: In the ICS1893BF, the MDIO and MDC pins remain active for all the MAC Interface modes (that is, 10M MII, 100M MII, 100M Symbol, and 10M Serial).

5.3 Twisted-Pair Interface

For the twisted-pair interface, the ICS1893BF uses 1:1 ratio transformers for both transmit and receive.

Better operation results from using a split ground plane through the transformer. In this case:

- The RJ-45 transformer windings must be on the chassis ground plane along with the Bob Smith termination.
- The ICS1893BF system ground plane must include the ICS1893BF-side transformer windings along with the 61.9Ω resistors and the 120-nH inductor.
- The transformer provides the isolation with one set of windings on one ground plane and another set of windings on the second ground plane.

5.3.1 Twisted-Pair Transmitter

The twisted-pair transmitter driver uses an H-bridge configuration. IDT transformer requirements:

- Turns Ratio 1:1
- Chokes may be used on chip or cable side or both sides
- No power connections to the transformer. Transformer power is supplied by the ICS1893BF
- MIDCOM 7090-37 or equivalent symmetrical magnetics are used

Figure 5-1 shows the design for the ICS1893BF twisted-pair interface.

- Two 61.9Ω1% resistors are in series, with a 120-nH 5% inductor between them. These components form a network that connects across both pairs of twisted pairs A and B.
- The center taps on the chip side are each bypassed to VSS with a 0.1µf capacitor. Do not connect the chip side center taps together (use separate bypass capacitors). The ICS1893BF biases the selected transmit pair and receive pair differently based on assigned function.
- Both twisted pairs A and B have an assigned plus and minus.

Note:

1. Keep all TX traces as short as possible.
2. When longer board twisted pair traces are used, 50Ω-characteristic board trace impedance is desirable.