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7-Port 10/100 Ethernet AVB Switch with SGMII and RGMII/MII/RMII Interfaces

Highlights

- One port with 10/100/1000 Ethernet MAC and SGMII interface
- One port with 10/100/1000 Ethernet MAC and configurable RGMII/MII/RMII interface
- EtherSynch® with full support for IEEE 1588v2 Precision Time Protocol (PTP)
- IEEE 802.1AS/Qav Audio Video Bridging (AVB)
- IEEE 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE)
- IEEE 802.1X access control support
- Five ports with integrated 10/100BASE-T PHY transceivers with optional Quiet-WIRE® EMC filtering
- Non-blocking wire-speed Ethernet switching fabric
- Full-featured forwarding and filtering control, including Access Control List (ACL) filtering
- Full VLAN and QoS support
- EtherGreen™ power management features, including low power standby
- Flexible management interface options: SPI, I²C, MIIM, and in-band management via any port
- Extended temperature range support
- 128-pin TQFP-EP (14 x 14mm) RoHS compliant pkg

Target Applications

- Industrial Ethernet (Profinet, MODBUS, Ethernet/IP)
- Real-time Ethernet networks
- IEC 61850 networks w/ power substation automation
- Industrial control/automation switches
- Networked measurement and control systems
- Test and measurement equipment

Features

- Switch Management Capabilities
 - 10/100Mbps Ethernet switch basic functions: frame buffer management, address look-up table, queue management, MIB counters
 - Non-blocking store-and-forward switch fabric assures fast packet delivery by utilizing 4096 entry forwarding table with 256kByte frame buffer
 - Jumbo packet support up to 9000 bytes
 - Port mirroring/monitoring/sniffing: ingress and/or egress traffic to any port
 - Rapid spanning tree protocol (RSTP) support for topology management and ring/linear recovery
 - Multiple spanning tree protocol (MSTP) support
- One External MAC Port with SGMII
- One External MAC Port with RGMII/MII/RMII
 - RGMII v2.0, RMII v1.2 with 50MHz reference clock input/output option, MII in PHY/MAC mode

- Five Integrated PHY Ports
 - 100BASE-TX/10BASE-T/Te IEEE 802.3
 - Fast Link-up option significantly reduces link-up time
 - Auto-negotiation and Auto-MDI/MDI-X support
 - Energy-Efficient Ethernet (EEE) support with low-power idle mode and clock stoppage
 - On-chip termination resistors and internal biasing for differential pairs to reduce power
 - LinkMD® cable diagnostic capabilities for determining cable opens, shorts, and length
- Advanced Switch Capabilities
 - IEEE 802.1Q VLAN support for 128 active VLAN groups and the full range of 4096 VLAN IDs
 - IEEE 802.1p/Q tag insertion/removal on per port basis
 - VLAN ID on per port or VLAN basis
 - IEEE 802.3x full-duplex flow control and half-duplex back pressure collision control
 - IEEE 802.1X access control (Port and MAC address)
 - IGMP v1/v2/v3 snooping for multicast packet filtering
 - IPv6 multicast listener discovery (MLD) snooping
 - IPv4/IPv6 QoS support, QoS/CoS packet prioritization
 - 802.1p QoS packet classification with 4 priority queues
 - Programmable rate limiting at ingress/egress ports
- IEEE 1588v2 PTP and Clock Synchronization
 - Transparent Clock (TC) with auto correction update
 - Master and slave Ordinary Clock (OC) support
 - End-to-end (E2E) or peer-to-peer (P2P)
 - PTP multicast and unicast message support
 - PTP message transport over IPv4/v6 and IEEE 802.3
 - IEEE 1588v2 PTP packet filtering
 - Synchronous Ethernet support via recovered clock
- Audio Video Bridging (AVB)
 - Compliant with IEEE 802.1BA/AS/Qat/Qav standards
 - Priority queuing, Low latency cut-through mode
 - gPTP time synchronization, credit-based traffic shaper
 - Time aware traffic scheduler per port
- Comprehensive Configuration Registers Access
 - High-speed 4-wire SPI (up to 50MHz), I²C interfaces provide access to all internal registers
 - MII Management (MIIM, MDC/MDIO 2-wire) Interface provides access to all PHY registers
 - In-band management via any of the data ports
 - I/O pin strapping facility to set certain register bits from I/O pins at reset time
- Power Management
 - IEEE 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE)
 - Energy detect power-down mode on cable disconnect
 - Dynamic clock tree control
 - Unused ports can be individually powered down
 - Full-chip software power-down
 - Wake-on-LAN (WoL) standby power mode with PME interrupt output for system wake upon triggered events

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1.0 PREFACE

1.1 Glossary of Terms

TABLE 1-1: GENERAL TERMS

Term	Description
10BASE-T	10 Mbps Ethernet, 3.3V signaling, IEEE 802.3 compliant
10BASE-Te	10 Mbps Ethernet, 2.5V signaling, IEEE 802.3 compliant
100BASE-TX	100 Mbps Fast Ethernet, IEEE 802.3u compliant
ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
AN	Auto-Negotiation
AVB	Audio Video Bridging (IEEE 802.1BA, 802.1AS, 802.1Qat, 802.1Qav)
BLW	Baseline Wander
BPDU	Bridge Protocol Data Unit. Messages which carry the Spanning Tree Protocol information.
Byte	8 bits
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check. A common technique for detection data transmission errors. CRC for Ethernet is 32 bits long.
CSR	Control and Status Registers
DA	Destination Address
DWORD	32 bits
EEE	Energy Efficient Ethernet
FCS	Frame Check Sequence. The extra checksum characters added to the end of an Ethernet frame, used for error detection and correction.
FID	Frame or Filter ID. Specifies the frame identifier. Alternately is the filter identifier.
FIFO	First In First Out buffer
FSM	Finite State Machine
GPIO	General Purpose I/O
Host	External system (Includes processor, application software, etc.)
IGMP	Internet Group Management Protocol. Defined by RFC 1112, RFC 2236, and RFC 4604 to establish multicast group membership in IPv4 networks.
IPG	Inter-Packet Gap. A time delay between successive data packets mandated by the network standard for protocol reasons.
Jumbo Packet	A packet larger than the standard Ethernet packet (1518 bytes). Large packet sizes allow for more efficient use of bandwidth, lower overhead, less processing, etc.
lsb	Least Significant Bit
LSB	Least Significant Byte
MAC	Media Access Controller. A functional block responsible for implementing the media access control layer, which is a sublayer of the data link layer.
MDI	Medium Dependent Interface. An Ethernet port connection that allows network hubs or switches to connect to other hubs or switches without a null-modem, or crossover, cable.
MDIX	Media Independent Interface with Crossover. An Ethernet port connection that allows networked end stations (i.e., PCs or workstations) to connect to each other using a null-modem, or crossover, cable.
MIB	Management Information Base. The MIB comprises the management portion of network devices. This can include monitoring traffic levels and faults (statistical), and can also change operating parameters in network nodes (static forwarding addresses).

TABLE 1-1: GENERAL TERMS (CONTINUED)

Term	Description
MII	Media Independent Interface. The MII accesses PHY registers as defined in the IEEE 802.3 specification.
MIIM	Media Independent Interface Management
MLD	Multicast Listening Discovery. This protocol is defined by RFC 3810 and RFC 4604 to establish multicast group membership in IPv6 networks.
MLT-3	Multi-Level Transmission Encoding (3-Levels). A tri-level encoding method where a change in the logic level represents a code bit "1" and the logic output remaining at the same level represents a code bit "0".
msb	Most Significant Bit
MSB	Most Significant Byte
NRZ	Non Return to Zero. A type of signal data encoding whereby the signal does not return to a zero state in between bits.
NRZI	Non Return to Zero Inverted. This encoding method inverts the signal for a "1" and leaves the signal unchanged for a "0"
N/A	Not Applicable
NC	No Connect
OUI	Organizationally Unique Identifier
PHY	A device or function block which performs the physical layer interface function in a network.
PLL	Phase Locked Loop. A electronic circuit that controls an oscillator so that it maintains a constant phase angle (i.e., lock) on the frequency of an input, or reference, signal.
PTP	Precision Time Protocol
RESERVED	Refers to a reserved bit field or address. Unless otherwise noted, reserved bits must always be zero for write operations. Unless otherwise noted, values are not guaranteed when reading reserved bits. Unless otherwise noted, do not read or write to reserved addresses.
RTC	Real-Time Clock
SA	Source Address
SFD	Start of Frame Delimiter. The 8-bit value indicating the end of the preamble of an Ethernet frame.
SQE	Signal Quality Error (also known as "heartbeat")
SSD	Start of Stream Delimiter
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
UDP	User Datagram Protocol - A connectionless protocol run on top of IP networks
UTP	Unshielded Twisted Pair. Commonly a cable containing 4 twisted pairs of wire.
UUID	Universally Unique IDentifier
VLAN	Virtual Local Area Network
WORD	16 bits

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1.2 Buffer Types

TABLE 1-2: BUFFER TYPES

Buffer Type	Description
I	Input
IPU	Input with internal pull-up (58 k Ω \pm 30%)
IPU/O	Input with internal pull-up (58 k Ω \pm 30%) during power-up/reset; output pin during normal operation
IPD	Input with internal pull-down (58 k Ω \pm 30%)
IPD/O	Input with internal pull-down (58 k Ω \pm 30%) during power-up/reset; output pin during normal operation
O8	Output with 8 mA sink and 8 mA source
O24	Output with 24 mA sink and 24 mA source
OPU	Output (8mA) with internal pull-up (58 k Ω \pm 30%)
OPD	Output (8mA) with internal pull-down (58 k Ω \pm 30%)
SGMII-I	SGMII Input
SGMII-O	SGMII Output
AIO	Analog bidirectional
ICLK	Crystal oscillator input pin
OCLK	Crystal oscillator output pin
P	Power
GND	Ground

Note: Refer to [Section 6.3, "Electrical Characteristics,"](#) on page 206 for the electrical characteristics of the various buffers.

1.3 Register Nomenclature

TABLE 1-3: REGISTER NOMENCLATURE

Register Bit Type Notation	Register Bit Description
R	Read: A register or bit with this attribute can be read.
W	Write: A register or bit with this attribute can be written.
RO	Read only: Read only. Writes have no effect.
RC	Read to Clear: Contents is cleared after the read. Writes have no effect.
WO	Write only: If a register or bit is write-only, reads will return unspecified data.
WC	Write One to Clear: Writing a one clears the value. Writing a zero has no effect.
LL	Latch Low: Applies to certain RO status bits. If a status condition causes this bit to go low, it will maintain the low state until read, even if the status condition changes. A read clears the latch, allowing the bit to go high if dictated by the status condition.
LH	Latch High: Applies to certain RO status bits. If a status condition causes this bit to go high, it will maintain the high state until read, even if the status condition changes. A read clears the latch, allowing the bit to go low if dictated by the status condition.
SC	Self-Clearing: Contents are self-cleared after the being set. Writes of zero have no effect. Contents can be read.
RESERVED	Reserved Field: Reserved fields must be written with zeros, unless otherwise indicated, to ensure future compatibility. The value of reserved bits is not guaranteed on a read.

1.4 References

- NXP I²C-Bus Specification (UM10204, April 4, 2014): www.nxp.com/documents/user_manual/UM10204.pdf

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 General Description

The KSZ8567S is a highly-integrated, IEEE 802.3 compliant networking device that incorporates a layer-2 managed high-performance Ethernet switch, five 10BASE-T/Te/100BASE-TX physical layer transceivers (PHYs) and associated MAC units, and two individually configurable MAC ports (one SGMII interface, one RGMII/MII/RMII interface) for direct connection to a host processor/controller, another Ethernet switch, or an Ethernet PHY transceiver. The SGMII port may be connected to a fiber optic transceiver.

The KSZ8567S is built upon industry-leading Ethernet technology, with features designed to offload host processing and streamline the overall design:

- Non-blocking wire-speed Ethernet switch fabric
- Full-featured forwarding and filtering control, including port-based Access Control List (ACL) filtering
- Full VLAN and QoS support
- Traffic prioritization with per-port ingress/egress queues and by traffic classification
- Spanning Tree support
- IEEE 802.1X access control support

As a member of the EtherSynch product family, the KSZ8567S incorporates full hardware support for the IEEE 1588v2 Precision Time Protocol (PTP), including hardware time-stamping at all PHY-MAC interfaces, and a high-resolution hardware “PTP clock”. IEEE 1588 provides sub-microsecond synchronization for a range of industrial Ethernet applications.

The KSZ8567S fully supports the IEEE family of Audio Video Bridging (AVB) standards, which provides high Quality of Service (QoS) for latency sensitive traffic streams over Ethernet. Time-stamping and time-keeping features support IEEE 802.1AS time synchronization. All ports feature credit based traffic shapers for IEEE 802.1Qav, and a time aware scheduler as proposed for IEEE 802.1Qbv.

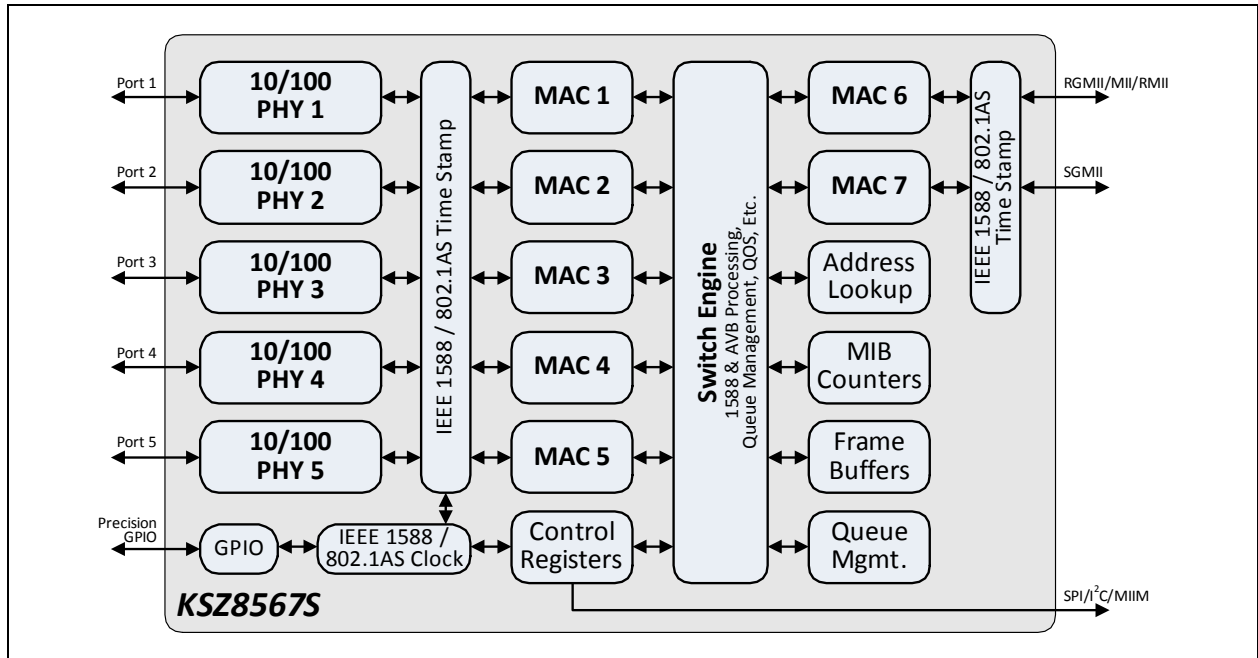
The 100Mbps PHYs feature Quiet-WIRE internal filtering to reduce line emissions and enhance immunity to environmental noise. It is ideal for automotive or industrial applications where stringent radiated emission limits must be met.

A host processor can access all KSZ8567S registers for control over all PHY, MAC, and switch functions. Full register access is available via the integrated SPI or I²C interfaces, and by in-band management via any one of the data ports. PHY register access is provided by a MIIM interface. Flexible digital I/O voltage allows the MAC port to interface directly with a 1.8/2.5/3.3V host processor/controller/FPGA.

Additionally, a robust assortment of power-management features including IEEE 802.3az Energy-Efficient Ethernet (EEE) for power savings with idle link, and Wake-on-LAN (WoL) for low power standby operation, have been designed to satisfy energy-efficient system requirements.

The KSZ8567S is available in an extended (-40°C to +105°C) temperature range. An internal block diagram of the KSZ8567S is shown in [Figure 2-1](#).

FIGURE 2-1: INTERNAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



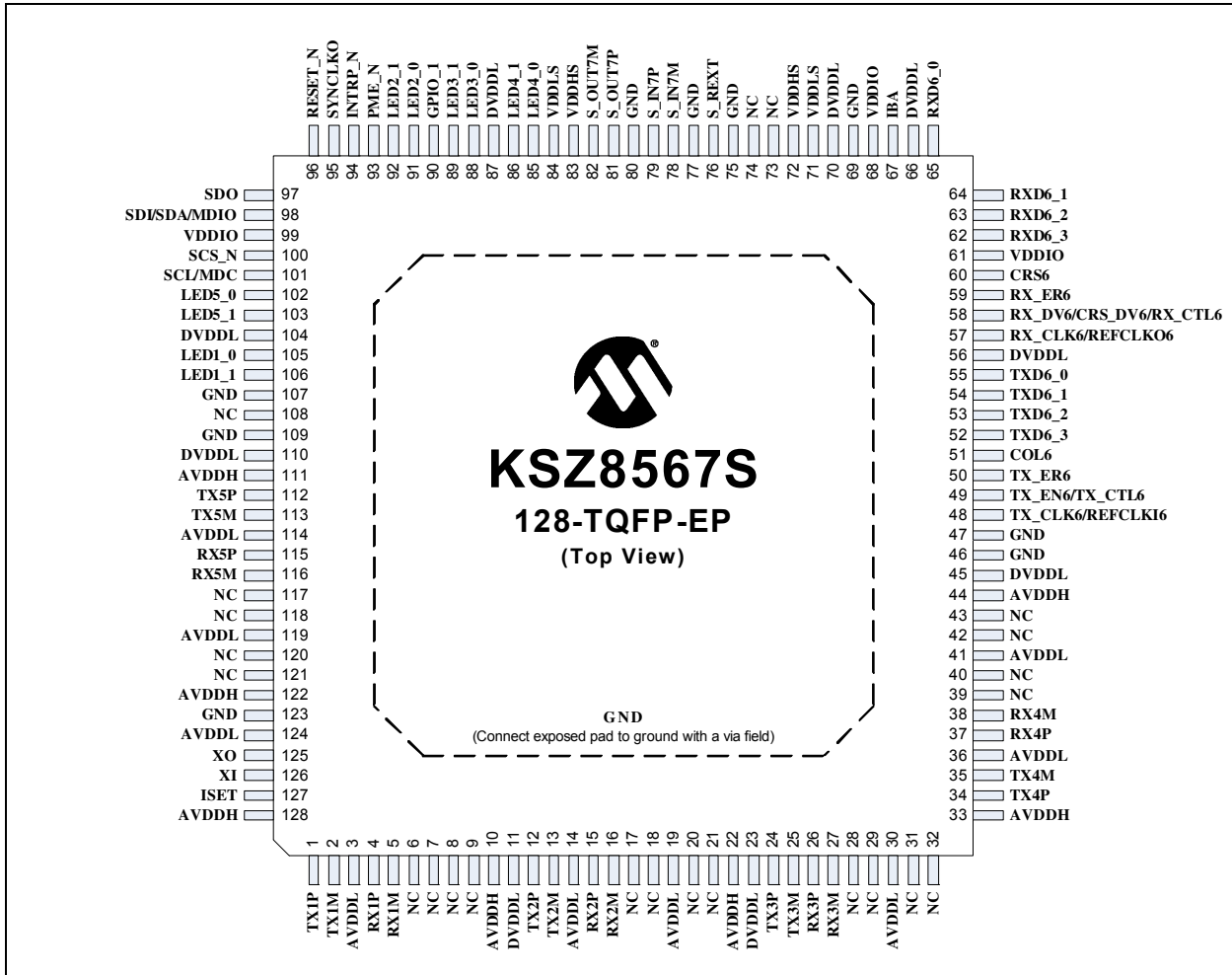
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3.0 PIN DESCRIPTIONS AND CONFIGURATION

3.1 Pin Assignments

The device pin diagram for the KSZ8567S can be seen in [Figure 3-1](#). [Table 3-1](#) provides a KSZ8567S pin assignment table. Pin descriptions are provided in [Section 3.2, "Pin Descriptions"](#).

FIGURE 3-1: PIN ASSIGNMENTS (TOP VIEW)



Note: When an “_N” is used at the end of the signal name, it indicates that the signal is active low. For example, **RESET_N** indicates that the reset signal is active low.

The buffer type for each signal is indicated in the “Buffer Type” column of the pin description tables in [Section 3.2, "Pin Descriptions"](#). A description of the buffer types is provided in [Section 1.2, "Buffer Types"](#).

TABLE 3-1: PIN ASSIGNMENTS

Pin	Pin Name	Pin	Pin Name	Pin	Pin Name	Pin	Pin Name
1	TX1P	33	AVDDH	65	RXD6_0 (Note 3-1)	97	SDO
2	TX1M	34	TX4P	66	DVDDL	98	SDI/SDA/MDIO
3	AVDDL	35	TX4M	67	IBA (Note 3-1)	99	VDDIO
4	RX1P	36	AVDDL	68	VDDIO	100	SCS_N
5	RX1M	37	RX4P	69	GND	101	SCL/MDC
6	NC	38	RX4M	70	DVDDL	102	LED5_0
7	NC	39	NC	71	VDDLS	103	LED5_1 (Note 3-1)
8	NC	40	NC	72	VDDHS	104	DVDDL
9	NC	41	AVDDL	73	NC	105	LED1_0 (Note 3-1)
10	AVDDH	42	NC	74	NC	106	LED1_1 (Note 3-1)
11	DVDDL	43	NC	75	GND	107	GND
12	TX2P	44	AVDDH	76	S_REXT	108	NC
13	TX2M	45	DVDDL	77	GND	109	GND
14	AVDDL	46	GND	78	S_IN7M	110	DVDDL
15	RX2P	47	GND	79	S_IN7P	111	AVDDH
16	RX2M	48	TX_CLK6/REFCLKI6	80	GND	112	TX5P
17	NC	49	TX_EN6/TX_CTL6	81	S_OUT7P	113	TX5M
18	NC	50	TX_ER6	82	S_OUT7M	114	AVDDL
19	AVDDL	51	COL6	83	VDDHS	115	RX5P
20	NC	52	TXD6_3	84	VDDLS	116	RX5M
21	NC	53	TXD6_2	85	LED4_0 (Note 3-1)	117	NC
22	AVDDH	54	TXD6_1	86	LED4_1 (Note 3-1)	118	NC
23	DVDDL	55	TXD6_0	87	DVDDL	119	AVDDL
24	TX3P	56	DVDDL	88	LED3_0	120	NC
25	TX3M	57	RX_CLK6/REFCLKO6	89	LED3_1 (Note 3-1)	121	NC
26	RX3P	58	RX_DV6/CRS_DV6/ RX_CTL6	90	GPIO_1	122	AVDDH
27	RX3M	59	RX_ER6	91	LED2_0 (Note 3-1)	123	GND
28	NC	60	CRS6	92	LED2_1 (Note 3-1)	124	AVDDL
29	NC	61	VDDIO	93	PME_N	125	XO
30	AVDDL	62	RXD6_3 (Note 3-1)	94	INTRP_N	126	XI
31	NC	63	RXD6_2 (Note 3-1)	95	SYNCKO	127	ISSET
32	NC	64	RXD6_1 (Note 3-1)	96	RESET_N	128	AVDDH

Exposed Pad Must be Connected to GND

Note 3-1 This pin provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to [Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps"](#) for additional information.

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3.2 Pin Descriptions

This sections details the functions of the various device signals.

TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Ports 5-1 10/100 Ethernet Pins			
Port 5-1 Ethernet TX +	TX[5:1]P	AIO	Port 5-1 100BASE-TX/10BASE-T Differential Data (+) Transmit when in MDI mode, receive when in MDI-X mode.
Port 5-1 Ethernet TX -	TX[5:1]M	AIO	Port 5-1 100BASE-TX/10BASE-T Differential Data (-) Transmit when in MDI mode, receive when in MDI-X mode.
Port 5-1 Ethernet RX +	RX[5:1]P	AIO	Port 5-1 100BASE-TX/10BASE-T Differential Data (+) Receive when in MDI mode, transmit when in MDI-X mode.
Port 5-1 Ethernet RX -	RX[5:1]M	AIO	Port 5-1 100BASE-TX/10BASE-T Differential Data (-) Receive when in MDI mode, transmit when in MDI-X mode.
Port 6 RGMII/MII/RMII Pins			
Port 6 Transmit/Reference Clock	TX_CLK6/REFCLKI6	I/O8	MII Mode: TX_CLK6 is the Port 6 25/2.5MHz Transmit Clock. In PHY mode this pin is an output, in MAC mode it is an input. RMII Mode: REFCLKI6 is the Port 6 50MHz Reference Clock input when in RMII Normal mode. This pin is unused when in RMII Clock mode. RGMII Mode: TX_CLK6 is the Port 6 125/25/2.5MHz Transmit Clock input.
Port 6 Transmit Enable/Control	TX_EN6/TX_CTL6	IPD	MII/RMII Modes: TX_EN6 is the Port 6 Transmit Enable. RGMII Mode: TX_CTL6 is the Port 6 Transmit Control.
Port 6 Transmit Error	TX_ER6	IPD	MII Mode: Port 6 Transmit Error input. RMII/RGMII Modes: Not used. Do not connect this pin in these modes of operation.
Port 6 Collision Detect	COL6	IPD/O8	MII Mode: Port 6 Collision Detect. In PHY mode this pin is an output, in MAC mode it is an input. RMII/RGMII Modes: Not used. Do not connect this pin in these modes of operation.
Port 6 Transmit Data 3	TXD6_3	IPD	MII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Transmit Data bus bit 3. RMII Mode: Not used. Do not connect this pin in this mode of operation.
Port 6 Transmit Data 2	TXD6_2	IPD	MII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Transmit Data bus bit 2. RMII Mode: Not used. Do not connect this pin in this mode of operation.
Port 6 Transmit Data 1	TXD6_1	IPD	MII/RMII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Transmit Data bus bit 1.
Port 6 Transmit Data 0	TXD6_0	IPD	MII/RMII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Transmit Data bus bit 0.

TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Port 6 Receive/Reference Clock	RX_CLK6/REFCLKO6	I/O24	<p>MII Mode: RX_CLK6 is the Port 6 25/2.5MHz Receive Clock. In PHY mode this pin is an output, in MAC mode it is an input.</p> <p>RMII Mode: REFCLKO6 is the Port 6 50MHz Reference Clock output when in RMII Clock mode. This pin is unused when in RMII Normal mode.</p> <p>RGMII Mode: RX_CLK6 is the Port 6 125/25/2.5MHz Receive Clock output.</p>
Port 6 Receive Data Valid / Carrier Sense / Control	RX_DV6/CRS_DV6/RX_CTL6	IPD/O24	<p>MII Mode: RX_DV6 is the Port 6 Received Data Valid output.</p> <p>RMII Mode: CRS_DV6 is the Carrier Sense / Receive Data Valid output.</p> <p>RGMII Mode: RX_CTL6 is the Receive Control output.</p>
Port 6 Receive Error	RX_ER6	IPD/O24	<p>MII Mode: Port 6 Receive Error output.</p> <p>RMII/RGMII Modes: Not used. Do not connect this pin in these modes of operation.</p>
Port 6 Carrier Sense	CRS6	IPD/O8	<p>MII Mode: Port 6 Carrier Sense. In PHY mode this pin is an output, in MAC mode it is an input.</p> <p>RMII/RGMII Modes: Not used. Do not connect this pin in these modes of operation.</p>
Port 6 Receive Data 3	RXD6_3	IPD/O24	<p>MII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Receive Data bus bit 3.</p> <p>RMII Mode: Not used. Do not connect this pin in this mode of operation.</p> <p>Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.</p>
Port 6 Receive Data 2	RXD6_2	IPD/O24	<p>MII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Receive Data bus bit 2.</p> <p>RMII Mode: Not used. Do not connect this pin in this mode of operation.</p> <p>Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.</p>
Port 6 Receive Data 1	RXD6_1	IPD/O24	<p>MII/RMII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Receive Data bus bit 1.</p> <p>Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.</p>

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TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Port 6 Receive Data 0	RXD6_0	IPD/O24	MII/RMII/RGMII Modes: Port 6 Receive Data bus bit 0. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 7 SGMII Pins			
Port 7 SGMII Differential Input Data +	S_IN7P	SGMII-I	Port 7 SGMII Differential Input Data +
Port 7 SGMII Differential Input Data -	S_IN7M	SGMII-I	Port 7 SGMII Differential Input Data -
Port 7 SGMII Differential Output Data +	S_OUT7P	SGMII-O	Port 7 SGMII Differential Output Data +
Port 7 SGMII Differential Output Data -	S_OUT7M	SGMII-O	Port 7 SGMII Differential Output Data -
Port 7 SGMII Reference Resistor	S_REXT	A	SGMII reference resistor. Connect a 191Ω 1% resistor between this pin and GND using a short trace to avoid noise coupling.
SPI/I²C/MIIM Interface Pins			
SPI/I ² C/MIIM Serial Clock	SCL/MDC	IPU	SPI/I²C Modes: SCL serial clock. MIIM Mode: MDC serial clock.
SPI Data Out	SDO	O8	SPI Mode: Data out (also known as MISO). I²C/MIIM Modes: Not used.
SPI Data In / I ² C/MIIM Data In/Out	SDI/SDA/MDIO	IPU/O8	SPI Mode: SDI Data In (also known as MOSI). I²C Mode: SDA Data In/Out. MIIM Mode: MDIO Data In/Out. SDI and MDIO are open-drain signals when in the output state. An external pull-up resistor to VDDIO (1.0kΩ to 4.7kΩ) is required.
SPI Chip Select	SCS_N	IPU	SPI Mode: Chip Select (active low). I²C/MIIM Modes: Not used.
LED Pins			
Port 1 LED Indicator 0	LED1_0	IPU/O8	Port 1 LED Indicator 0. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.

TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Port 1 LED Indicator 1	LED1_1	IPU/O8	Port 1 LED Indicator 1. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 2 LED Indicator 0	LED2_0	IPU/O8	Port 2 LED Indicator 0. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 2 LED Indicator 1	LED2_1	IPU/O8	Port 2 LED Indicator 1. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 3 LED Indicator 0	LED3_0	IPU/O8	Port 3 LED Indicator 0. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED.
Port 3 LED Indicator 1	LED3_1	IPU/O8	Port 3 LED Indicator 1. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 4 LED Indicator 0	LED4_0	IPU/O8	Port 4 LED Indicator 0. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 4 LED Indicator 1	LED4_1	IPU/O8	Port 4 LED Indicator 1. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
Port 5 LED Indicator 0	LED5_0	IPU/O8	Port 5 LED Indicator 0. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED.
Port 5 LED Indicator 1	LED5_1	IPU/O8	Port 5 LED Indicator 1. Active low output sinks current to light an external LED. Note: This pin also provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.

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TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Miscellaneous Pins			
Interrupt	INTRP_N	OPU	Active low, open-drain interrupt. Note: This pin requires an external pull-up resistor.
Power Management Event	PME_N	O8	Power Management Event. This output signal indicates that an energy detect event has occurred. It is intended to wake up the system from a low power mode. Note: The assertion polarity is programmable (default active low). An external pull-up resistor is required for active-low operation; an external pull-down resistor is required for active-high operation.
System Reset	RESET_N	IPU	Active low system reset. The device must be reset either during or after power-on. An RC circuit is suggested for power-on reset.
Crystal Clock / Oscillator Input	XI	ICLK	Crystal clock / oscillator input. When using a 25MHz crystal, this input is connected to one lead of the crystal. When using an oscillator, this pin is the input from the oscillator. The crystal oscillator should have a tolerance of ± 50 ppm.
Crystal Clock Output	XO	OCLK	Crystal clock / oscillator output. When using a 25MHz crystal, this output is connected to one lead of the crystal. When using an oscillator, this pin is left unconnected.
25/125MHz Reference Clock Output	SYNCLKO	IPU/O24	25/125MHz reference clock output, derived from the crystal input or the recovered clock of any PHY. This signal may be used for Synchronous Ethernet.
General Purpose Input/Output 1	GPIO_1	IPU/O8	This signal can be used as an input or output for use by the IEEE 1588 event trigger or timestamp capture units. It will be synchronized to the internal IEEE 1588 clock. This pin can also be controlled (as an output) or sampled (as an input) via device registers.
Transmit Output Current Set Resistor	ISET	A	Transmit output current set resistor. This pin configures the physical transmit output current. It must be connected to GND through a 6.04k Ω 1% resistor.
In-Band Management Configuration Strap	IBA	IPD	In-Band Management Configuration strap. This pin provides configuration strap functions during hardware/software resets. Refer to Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps" for additional information.
No Connect	NC	-	No Connect. For proper operation, this pin must be left unconnected.

TABLE 3-2: PIN DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Symbol	Buffer Type	Description
Power/Ground Pins			
+3.3/2.5/1.8V I/O Power	VDDIO	P	+3.3V / +2.5V / +1.8V I/O Power
+3.3/2.5V Analog Power	AVDDH	P	+3.3V / +2.5V Analog Power
+1.2V Analog Power	AVDDL	P	+1.2V Analog Power
+1.2V Digital Power	DVDDL	P	+1.2V Digital Power
+1.2V SGMII Core Power	VDDL	P	+1.2V SGMII Core Power
+2.5V SGMII I/O Power	VDDHS	P	+2.5V SGMII I/O Power
Ground	GND	GND	Ground (pins and pad)

3.2.1 CONFIGURATION STRAPS

The KSZ8567S utilizes configuration strap pins to configure the device for different modes. While **RESET_N** is low, these pins are hi-Z. Pull-up/down resistors are used to create high or low states on these pins, which are internally sampled at the rising edge of **RESET_N**. All of these pins have a weak internal pull-up or pull-down resistor which provides a default level for strapping. To strap an LED pin low, use a 750Ω to 1kΩ external pull-down resistor. To strap a non-LED pin high, use an external 1kΩ to 10kΩ pull-up resistor to **VDDIO**. Once **RESET_N** is high, all of these pins become driven outputs.

Because the internal pull-up/down resistors are not strong, consideration must be given to any other pull-up/down resistors which may reside on the board or inside a device connected to these pins.

When an LED pin is directly driving an LED, the effect of the LED and LED load resistor on the strapping level must be considered. This is the reason for using a small value resistor to pull an LED pin low. This is especially true when an LED is powered from a voltage that is higher than **VDDIO**.

The configuration strap pins and their associated functions are detailed in [Table 3-3](#).

TABLE 3-3: CONFIGURATION STRAP DESCRIPTIONS

Configuration Strap Pin	Description
LED1_0	Quiet-WIRE Filtering Enable 0: Quiet-WIRE filtering enabled 1: Quiet-WIRE filtering disabled (Default)
LED1_1	Flow Control (All Ports) 0: Flow control disabled 1: Flow control enabled (Default)
LED2_1	Link-up Mode (All PHYs) 0: Fast Link-up: Auto-negotiation and auto MDI/MDI-X are disabled 1: Normal Link-up: Auto-negotiation and auto MDI/MDI-X are enabled (Default) Note: Since Fast Link-up disables auto-negotiation and auto-crossover, it is suitable only for specialized applications.

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TABLE 3-3: CONFIGURATION STRAP DESCRIPTIONS (CONTINUED)

Configuration Strap Pin	Description
LED2_0, LED4_0	<p>When LED2_1 = 1 at strap-in (Normal Link-up): [LED2_0, LED4_0]: Auto-Negotiation Enable (All PHYs) / NAND Tree Test Mode 00: Reserved 01: Auto-negotiation disabled 10: NAND Tree test mode 11: Auto-negotiation enabled (Default)</p> <p>When LED2_1 = 0 at strap-in (Fast Link-up; All PHYs Full-Duplex): LED2_0: MDI/MDI-X Mode (All PHYs) 0: MDI-X 1: MDI (Default) LED4_0: Not Used</p>
LED4_1, LED3_1	<p>[LED4_1, LED3_1]: Management Interface Mode 00: MIIM (MDIO) 01: I²C 1x: SPI (Default)</p>
LED5_1	<p>Switch Enable at Startup 0: Start Switch is disabled. The switch will not forward packets until the Start Switch bit is set in the Switch Operation Register. 1: Start Switch is enabled. The switch will forward packets immediately after reset. (Default)</p>
RXD6_3, RXD6_2	<p>[RXD6_3, RXD6_2]: Port 6 Mode 00: RGMII (Default) 01: RMII 10: Reserved 11: MII</p>
RXD6_1	<p>Port 6 MII/RMII Mode 0: MII: PHY Mode (Default) RMII: Clock Mode. RMII 50MHz reference clock is output on REFCLKO6. (Default) RGMII: No effect 1: MII: MAC Mode RMII: Normal Mode. RMII 50MHz reference clock is input on REFCLKI6. RGMII: No effect</p>
RXD6_0	<p>Port 6 Speed Select 0: 1000Mbps Mode (Default) 1: 10/100Mbps Mode</p> <p>Note: If Port 6 is configured for MII or RMII, set the speed to 100Mbps.</p>
IBA	<p>In-Band Management 0: Disable In-Band Management (Default) 1: Enable In-Band Management</p>

4.0 FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

This section provides functional descriptions for the following:

- [Physical Layer Transceiver \(PHY\)](#)
- [LEDs](#)
- [Media Access Controller \(MAC\)](#)
- [Switch](#)
- [IEEE 1588 Precision Time Protocol](#)
- [Audio Video Bridging and Time Sensitive Networks](#)
- [NAND Tree Support](#)
- [Clocking](#)
- [Power](#)
- [Power Management](#)
- [Management Interface](#)
- [In-Band Management](#)
- [MAC Interface \(Ports 6 and 7\)](#)

4.1 Physical Layer Transceiver (PHY)

Ports 1 through 5 include completely integrated dual-speed (10BASE-T/Te, 100BASE-TX) Ethernet physical layer transceivers for transmission and reception of data over standard four-pair unshielded twisted pair (UTP), CAT-5 or better Ethernet cable. At 100Mbps, the optional Quiet-WIRE filtering feature reduced emissions while maintaining interoperability with standard 100BASE-TX devices.

The device reduces board cost and simplifies board layout by using on-chip termination resistors for the differential pairs, eliminating the need for external termination resistors. The internal chip termination and biasing provides significant power savings when compared with using external biasing and termination resistors.

4.1.1 100BASE-TX TRANSCEIVER

4.1.1.1 100BASE-TX Transmit

The 100BASE-TX transmit function performs parallel-to-serial conversion, 4B/5B coding, scrambling, NRZ-to-NRZI conversion, and MLT3 encoding and transmission.

The circuitry starts with a parallel-to-serial conversion, which converts the MII data from the MAC into a 125MHz serial bit stream. The data and control stream is then converted into 4B/5B coding, followed by a scrambler. The serialized data is further converted from NRZ-to-NRZI format, and then transmitted in MLT3 current output. An external ISET resistor sets the output current for the 1:1 transformer ratio.

The output signal has a typical rise/fall time of 4ns and complies with the ANSI TP-PMD standard regarding amplitude balance, overshoot, and timing jitter. The wave-shaped 10BASE-T/Te output driver is also incorporated into the 100BASE-TX driver.

4.1.1.2 100BASE-TX Receive

The 100BASE-TX receiver function performs adaptive equalization, DC restoration, MLT3-to-NRZI conversion, data and clock recovery, NRZI-to-NRZ conversion, de-scrambling, 4B/5B decoding, and serial-to-parallel conversion.

The receiving side starts with the equalization filter to compensate for inter-symbol interference (ISI) over the twisted pair cable. Since the amplitude loss and phase distortion is a function of the cable length, the equalizer has to adjust its characteristics to optimize performance. In this design, the variable equalizer makes an initial estimation based on comparisons of incoming signal strength against some known cable characteristics, and then tunes itself for optimization. This is an ongoing process and self-adjusts against environmental changes such as temperature variations.

Next, the equalized signal goes through a DC restoration and data conversion block. The DC restoration circuit is used to compensate for the effect of baseline wander and to improve the dynamic range. The differential data conversion circuit converts the MLT3 format back to NRZI. The slicing threshold is also adaptive.

The clock recovery circuit extracts the 125MHz clock from the edges of the NRZI signal. This recovered clock is then used to convert the NRZI signal into the NRZ format. This signal is sent through the de-scrambler followed by the 4B/5B decoder. Finally, the NRZ serial data is converted to an MII format and provided as the input data to the MAC.

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4.1.1.3 Scrambler/De-Scrambler

The purpose of the scrambler is to spread the power spectrum of the signal to reduce electromagnetic interference (EMI) and baseline wander. The scrambler is used only for 100BASE-TX.

Transmitted data is scrambled through the use of an 11-bit wide linear feedback shift register (LFSR). The scrambler generates a 2047-bit non-repetitive sequence. Then the receiver de-scrambles the incoming data stream using the same sequence as at the transmitter.

4.1.2 10BASE-T/Te TRANSCEIVER

When the **AVDDH** supply is 3.3V, the 10Mbps interface is 10BASE-T. When **AVDDH** is 2.5V, the 10BASE-T signal has a reduced transmit signal amplitude and is known as 10BASE-Te. 10BASE-Te is interoperable to 100m with 10BASE-T when Cat5 cable is used.

4.1.2.1 10BASE-T/Te Transmit

The 10BASE-T/Te driver is incorporated with the 100BASE-TX driver to allow for transmission using the same magnetics. They are internally wave-shaped and pre-emphasized into outputs with typical 2.5V amplitude for 10BASE-T, or 1.75V amplitude for 10BASE-Te. The harmonic contents are at least 27dB below the fundamental frequency when driven by an all-ones Manchester-encoded signal.

4.1.2.2 10BASE-T/Te Receive

On the receive side, input buffers and level detecting squelch circuits are employed. A differential input receiver circuit and a phase-locked loop (PLL) perform the decoding function.

The Manchester-encoded data stream is separated into clock signal and NRZ data. A squelch circuit rejects signals with levels less than 400mV or with short pulse widths to prevent noise at the RXP1 or RXM1 input from falsely triggering the decoder. When the input exceeds the squelch limit, the PLL locks onto the incoming signal and the device decodes a data frame. The receiver clock is maintained active during idle periods in between data reception.

4.1.3 AUTO MDI/MDI-X

The automatic MDI/MDI-X feature, also known as auto crossover, eliminates the need to determine whether to use a straight cable or a crossover cable between the device and its link partner. The auto-sense function detects the MDI/MDI-X pair mapping from the link partner, and assigns the MDI/MDI-X pair mapping of the device accordingly. [Table 4-1](#) shows the device's 10/100 Mbps pin configuration assignments for MDI and MDI-X pin mapping.

TABLE 4-1: MDI/MDI-X PIN DEFINITIONS

Pin (RJ45 pair)	MDI		MDI-X	
	100BASE-TX	10BASE-T/Te	100BASE-TX	10BASE-T/Te
TXP/M_A (1,2)	TX+/-	TX+/-	RX+/-	RX+/-
RXP/M_A (3,6)	RX+/-	RX+/-	TX+/-	TX+/-

Auto MDI/MDI-X is enabled by default. It can be disabled through the port control registers. If Auto MDI/MDI-X is disabled, the port control register can also be used to select between MDI and MDI-X settings.

An isolation transformer with symmetrical transmit and receive data paths is recommended to support Auto MDI/MDI-X.

4.1.4 WAVE SHAPING, SLEW-RATE CONTROL, AND PARTIAL RESPONSE

In communication systems, signal transmission encoding methods are used to provide the noise-shaping feature and to minimize distortion and error in the transmission channel.

- For 100BASE-TX, a simple slew-rate control method is used to minimize EMI.
- For 10BASE-T/Te, pre-emphasis is used to extend the signal quality through the cable.

4.1.5 AUTO-NEGOTIATION

The device conforms to the auto-negotiation protocol as described by IEEE 802.3. Auto-negotiation allows each port to operate at either 10BASE-T/Te or 100BASE-TX by allowing link partners to select the best common mode of operation. During auto-negotiation, the link partners advertise capabilities across the link to each other and then compare their own

capabilities with those they received from their link partners. The highest speed and duplex setting that is common to the two link partners is selected as the mode of operation. Auto-negotiation is also used to negotiate support for Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE) via the next page feature.

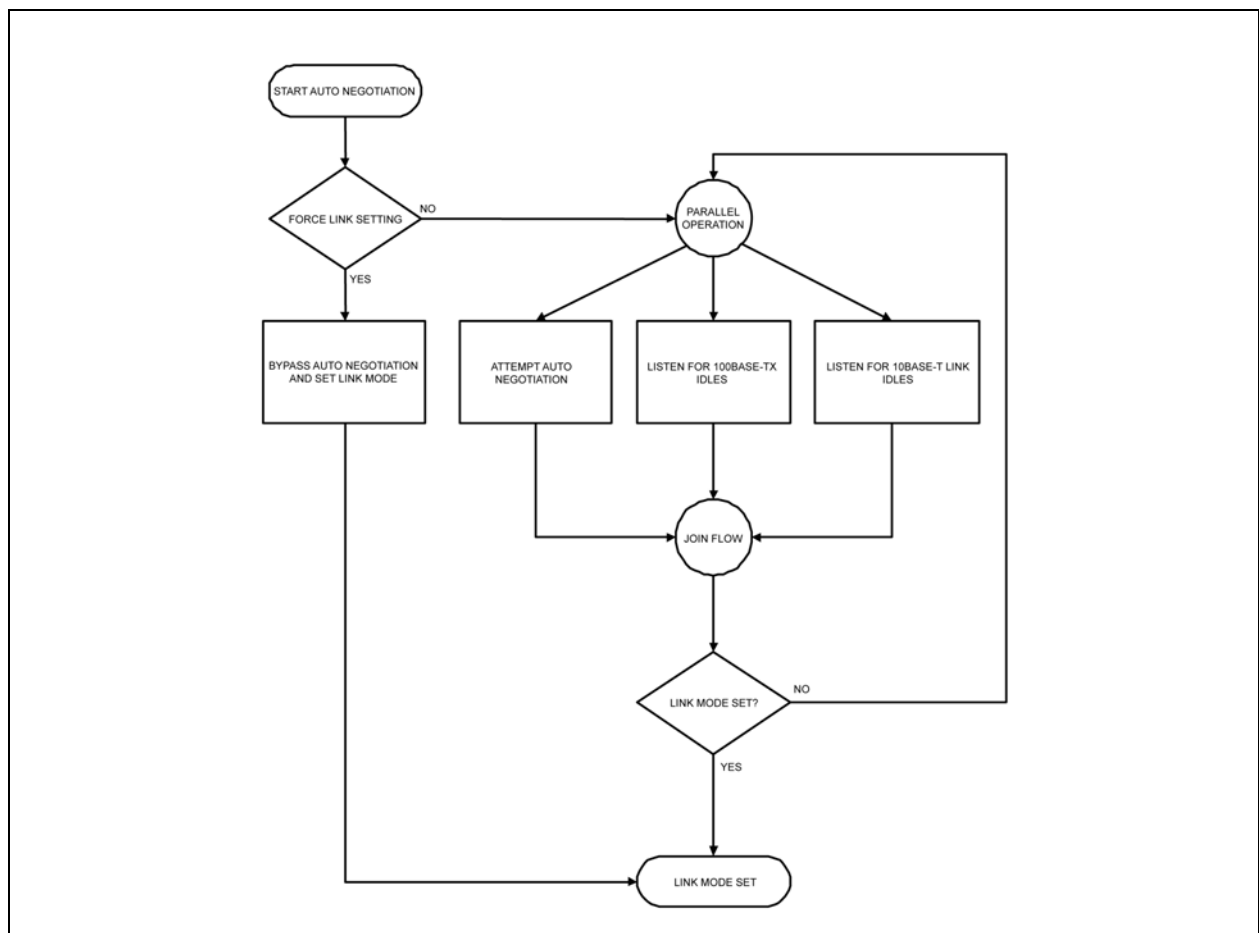
The following list shows the speed and duplex operation mode from highest to lowest priority.

- Priority 1: 100BASE-TX, full-duplex
- Priority 2: 100BASE-TX, half-duplex
- Priority 3: 10BASE-T/Te, full-duplex
- Priority 4: 10BASE-T/Te, half-duplex

If the KSZ8567S link partner doesn't support auto-negotiation or is forced to bypass auto-negotiation, the KSZ8567S port sets its operating mode by observing the signal at its receiver. This is known as parallel detection, and allows the KSZ8567S to establish a link by listening for a fixed signal protocol in the absence of the auto-negotiation advertisement protocol.

The auto-negotiation link-up process is shown in [Figure 4-1](#).

FIGURE 4-1: AUTO-NEGOTIATION AND PARALLEL OPERATION



Auto-negotiation is enabled by default after power-up or hardware reset. Afterwards, auto-negotiation can be enabled or disabled via bit 12 of the [PHY Basic Control Register](#). If auto-negotiation is disabled, the speed is set by bit 13 of the [PHY Basic Control Register](#), and the duplex is set by bit 8.

If the speed is changed on the fly, the link goes down and either auto-negotiation or parallel detection initiate until a common speed between the KSZ8567S and its link partner is re-established for a link.

If link is already established and there is no change of speed on the fly, the changes (for example, duplex and pause capabilities) will not take effect unless either auto-negotiation is restarted through bit 9 of the [PHY Basic Control Register](#), or a link-down to link-up transition occurs (i.e. disconnecting and reconnecting the cable).

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After auto-negotiation is completed, the link status is updated in the [PHY Basic Status Register](#), and the link partner capabilities are updated in the [PHY Auto-Negotiation Link Partner Ability Register](#) and [PHY Auto-Negotiation Expansion Status Register](#).

4.1.6 QUIET-WIRE FILTERING

Quiet-WIRE is a feature to enhance 100BASE-TX EMC performance by reducing both conducted and radiated emissions from the TXP/M signal pair. It can be used either to reduce absolute emissions, or to enable replacement of shielded cable with unshielded cable, all while maintaining interoperability with standard 100BASE-TX devices.

Quiet-WIRE filtering is implemented internally, with no additional external components required. It is enabled or disabled for all PHYs at power-up and reset by a strapping option on the **LED1_0** pin. Once the device is powered up, Quiet-WIRE can be enabled or disabled by writing to the appropriate control register.

The default setting for Quiet-WIRE reduces emissions primarily above 60MHz, with less reduction at lower frequencies. Several dB of reduction is possible. Signal attenuation is approximately equivalent to increasing the cable length by 10 to 20 meters, thus reducing cable reach by that amount. For applications needing more modest improvement in emissions, the level of filtering can be reduced by writing to certain registers.

4.1.7 FAST LINK-UP

Link up time is normally determined by the time it takes to complete auto-negotiation. Additional time may be added by the auto MDI/MDI-X feature. The total link up time from power-up or cable connect is typically a second or more.

Fast Link-up mode significantly reduces 100BASE-TX link-up time by disabling both auto-negotiation and auto MDI/MDI-X, and fixing the TX and RX channels. This mode is enabled or disabled by the **LED2_1** strapping option. It is not set by registers, so fast link-up is available immediately upon power-up. Fast Link-up is available at power-up only for 100BASE-TX link speed, which is selected by strapping the **LED4_0** pin high. Fast Link-up is also available for 10BASE-T/Te, but this link speed must first be selected via a register write.

Fast Link-up is intended for specialized applications where both link partners are known in advance. The link must also be known so that the fixed transmit channel of one device connects to the fixed receive channel of the other device, and vice versa. The TX and RX channel assignments are determined by the MDI/MDI-X strapping option on **LED2_0**.

If a device in Fast Link-up mode is connected to a normal device (auto-negotiate and auto-MDI/MDI-X), there will be no problems linking, but the speed advantage of Fast Link-up will not be realized.

For more information on configuration straps, refer to [Section 3.2.1, "Configuration Straps," on page 17](#).

4.1.8 LinkMD® CABLE DIAGNOSTICS

The LinkMD® function utilizes Time Domain Reflectometry (TDR) to analyze the cabling for common cabling problems, such as open circuits, short circuits and impedance mismatches.

LinkMD® works by sending a pulse of known amplitude and duration down the MDI or MDI-X pair, and then analyzing the shape of the reflected signal to determine the type of fault. The time duration for the reflected signal to return provides the approximate distance to the cabling fault. The LinkMD® function processes this TDR information and presents it as a numerical value that can be translated to a cable distance.

4.1.9 LinkMD®+ ENHANCED DIAGNOSTICS: RECEIVE SIGNAL QUALITY INDICATOR

The device provides a receive Signal Quality Indicator (SQI) feature, which indicates the relative quality of the 100BASE-TX receive signal. It approximates a signal-to-noise ratio, and is affected by cable length, cable quality, and coupled of environmental noise.

The raw SQI value is available for reading at any time from the SQI register. A lower value indicates better signal quality, while a higher value indicates worse signal quality. Even in a stable configuration in a low-noise environment, the value read from this register may vary. The value should therefore be averaged by taking multiple readings. The update interval of the SQI register is 2 μ s, so measurements taken more frequently than 2 μ s will be redundant. In a quiet environment, 6 to 10 readings are suggested for averaging. In a noisy environment, individual readings are unreliable, so a minimum of 30 readings are suggested for averaging. The SQI circuit does not include any hysteresis.

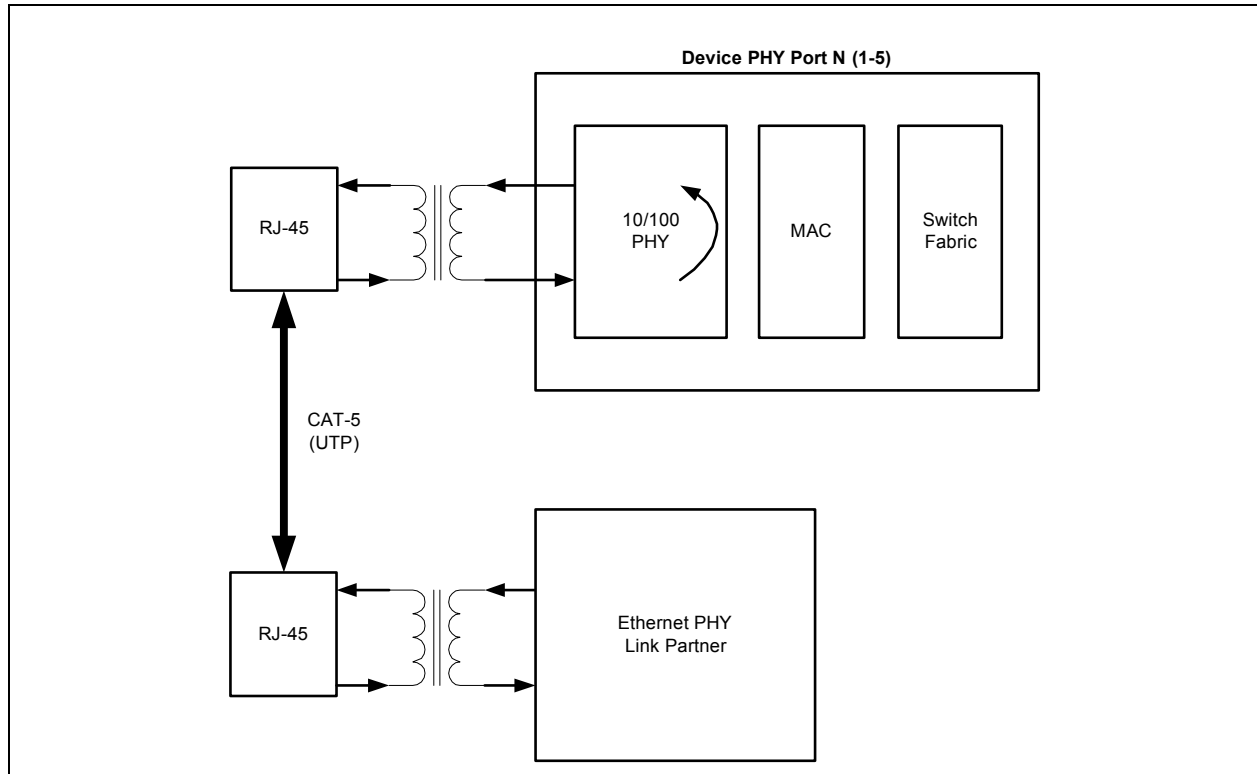
4.1.10 REMOTE PHY LOOPBACK

This loopback mode checks the line (differential pairs, transformer, RJ-45 connector, Ethernet cable) transmit and receive data paths between the KSZ8567S and its Ethernet PHY link partner, and is supported for 10/100 Mbps at full-duplex.

The loopback data path is shown in [Figure 4-2](#) and functions as follows:

- The Ethernet PHY link partner transmits data to the KSZ8567S PHY port.
- Data received at the external pins of the PHY port is looped back without passing through the MAC and internal switch fabric.
- The same KSZ8567S PHY port transmits data back to the Ethernet PHY link partner.

FIGURE 4-2: REMOTE PHY LOOPBACK



The following programming steps and register settings are for remote PHY loopback mode for 100BASE-TX Mode, and 10BASE-T Mode.

- 100BASE-TX Mode
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Auto-Negotiation Advertisement Register](#) = 0x0181
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Remote Loopback Register](#) = 0x01F0
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Basic Control Register](#) = 0x3300
- 10BASE-T Mode
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Auto-Negotiation Advertisement Register](#) = 0x0061
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Remote Loopback Register](#) = 0x01F0
 - Set Port N (1-5), [PHY Basic Control Register](#) = 0x3300

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4.2 LEDs

Each PHY port has two programmable LED output pins, **LEDx_0** and **LEDx_1**, to indicate the PHY link and activity status. Two different LED modes are available. The LED mode can be changed individually for each PHY port by writing to the PHY Mode bit in the PHY indirect register: MMD 2, address 0, bit 4:

- 1 = [Single-LED Mode](#)
- 0 = [Tri-Color Dual-LED Mode](#) (Default)

Each LED output pin can directly drive an LED with a series resistor (typically 220Ω to 470Ω). LED outputs are active-low.

4.2.1 SINGLE-LED MODE

In single-LED mode, the **LEDx_1** pin indicates the link status while the **LEDx_0** pin indicates the activity status, as shown in [Figure 4-2](#).

TABLE 4-2: SINGLE-LED MODE PIN DEFINITION

LED Pin	Pin State	Pin LED Definition	Link/Activity
LEDx_1	H	OFF	Link Off
	L	ON	Link On (any speed)
LEDx_0	H	OFF	No Activity
	Toggle	Blinking	Activity (RX,TX)

4.2.2 TRI-COLOR DUAL-LED MODE

In tri-color dual-LED mode, the link and activity status are indicated by the **LEDx_1** pin for 1000BASE-T; by the **LEDx_0** pin for 100BASE-TX; and by both **LEDx_1** and **LEDx_0** pins, working in conjunction, for 10BASE-T. This behavior is summarized in [Figure 4-3](#).

TABLE 4-3: TRI-COLOR DUAL-LED MODE PIN DEFINITION

LED Pin (State)		LED Pin (Definition)		Link/Activity
LEDx_1	LEDx_0	LEDx_1	LEDx_0	
H	H	OFF	OFF	Link off
L	H	ON	OFF	1000Mbps Link / No Activity
Toggle	H	Blinking	OFF	1000Mbps Link / Activity (RX,TX)
H	L	OFF	ON	100Mbps Link / No Activity
H	Toggle	OFF	Blinking	100Mbps Link / Activity (RX,TX)
L	L	ON	ON	10Mbps Link / No Activity
Toggle	Toggle	Blinking	Blinking	10Mbps Link / Activity (RX,TX)

4.3 Media Access Controller (MAC)

4.3.1 MAC OPERATION

The device strictly abides by IEEE 802.3 standards to maximize compatibility. Additionally, there is an added MAC filtering function to filter unicast packets. The MAC filtering function is useful in applications, such as VoIP, where restricting certain packets reduces congestion and thus improves performance.

The transmit MAC takes data from the egress buffer and creates full Ethernet frames by adding the preamble and the start-of-frame delimiter ahead of the data, and generates the FCS that is appended to the end of the frame. It also sends flow control packets as needed.

The receive MAC accepts data via the integrated PHY or via the SGMII/MII/RMII/RGMII interface. It decodes the data bytes, strips off the preamble and SFD of each frame. The destination and source addresses and VLAN tag are extracted for use in filtering and address/ID lookup, and the MAC also calculates the CRC of the received frame, which is compared to the FCS field. The MAC can discard frames that are the wrong size, that have an FCS error, or when the source MAC address matches the Switch MAC address.

The receive MAC also implements the Wake on LAN (WoL) feature. This system power saving feature is described in detail in the [Section 4.10, "Power Management"](#).

MIB statistics are collected in both receive and transmit directions.

4.3.2 INTER-PACKET GAP (IPG)

If a frame is successfully transmitted, then the minimum 96-bit time for IPG is specified as being between two consecutive packets. If the current packet is experiencing collisions, the minimum 96-bit time for IPG is specified as being from carrier sense (CRS) to the next transmit packet.

4.3.3 BACK-OFF ALGORITHM

The device implements the IEEE standard 802.3 binary exponential back-off algorithm in half-duplex mode. After 16 collisions, the packet is dropped.

4.3.4 LATE COLLISION

If a transmit packet experiences collisions after 512 bit times of the transmission, the packet is dropped.

4.3.5 LEGAL PACKET SIZE

On all ports, the device discards received packets smaller than 64 bytes (excluding VLAN tag, including FCS) or larger than the maximum size. The default maximum size is the IEEE standard of 1518 bytes, but can be programmed to 2000 bytes. Ports operating at 1000Mbps may be programmed to accept jumbo packets up to 9000 bytes, but for performance reasons it is recommended that no more than two ports be enabled simultaneously for jumbo packets.

4.3.6 FLOW CONTROL

The device supports standard MAC Control PAUSE (802.3x flow control) frames in both the transmit and receive directions for full-duplex connections.

In the receive direction, if a PAUSE control frame is received on any port, the device will not transmit the next normal frame on that port until the timer, specified in the PAUSE control frame, expires. If another PAUSE frame is received before the current timer expires, the timer will then update with the new value in the second PAUSE frame. During this period (while it is flow controlled), only flow control packets from the device are transmitted.

In the transmit direction, the device has intelligent and efficient ways to determine when to invoke flow control and send PAUSE frames. The flow control is based on availability of the system resources, including available buffers, available transmit queues and available receive queues.

The device issues a PAUSE frame containing the maximum pause time defined in IEEE standard 802.3x. Once the resource is freed up, the device sends out another flow control frame with zero pause time to turn off the flow control (turn on transmission to the port). A hysteresis feature is provided to prevent the flow control mechanism from being constantly activated and deactivated.

4.3.7 HALF-DUPLEX BACK PRESSURE

A half-duplex back pressure option (non-IEEE 802.3 standard) is also provided. The activation and deactivation conditions are the same as in full-duplex mode. If back pressure is required, the device sends preambles to defer the other stations' transmission (carrier sense deference).