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Changing the PHY in the Ethernet Driver for Blackfin® Processors

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Introduction

This EE-Note describes how to achieve networking functionality with ADSP-BF536/ADSP-BF537 Blackfin® processors together with MII-compatible Ethernet Physical Layer Transceivers (PHYs) other than the SMSC LAN83C185, which is populated on the ADSP-BF537 EZ-KIT Lite® evaluation system. The procedure is based on the VisualDSP++® 4.5 development tool suite and its Ethernet MAC driver for the ADSP-BF537 processor. The work was verified on an SMSC LAN8187 and on a National Semiconductor DP83848.

Overview

ADSP-BF536/ADSP-BF537 Blackfin processors include a built-in Ethernet MAC controller, providing an IEEE 802.3-2002-compliant MII interface for easy connection to any MII- $PHY^{[1]}$ compatible In addition. the VisualDSP++ 4.5 development tools are shipped with a driver for the MAC controller, a TCP/IP stack (LwIP), and a project template for TCP/IP applications^[2]. This allows you to start networkcapable applications right away by using the standard BSD socket API. This network solution is illustrated in Figure 1.

The MAC controller driver provided by the VisualDSP++ 4.5 tools is designed primarily for the SMSC LAN83C185 PHY device populated on the ADSP-BF537 EZ-KIT Lite evaluation board^[3]. If you choose to use this development

system, you can code network applications without having to consider any hardware details^[4]. However, if you use other PHYs, you must modify the MAC driver, because the MAC driver uses unique vendor-specific features in addition to MII standard PHY features.



Figure 1. Overview of ADSP-BF537 based network applications

The source code of the MAC driver consists of three files.

The project file (ADI_ETHER_BF537.dpj) and the C source file (ADI_ETHER_BF537.c) are located in the following directory:

<install_path>\Blackfin\lib\src\drivers
\ethernet\ADI_ETHER_BF537\

The ADI_ETHER_BF537.h file is located in:

<install_path>\Blackfin\include\drivers
\ethernet\

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These files are copied automatically when the VisualDSP++ 4.5 tools are installed. Opening the project file and building it with the VisualDSP++ 4.5 development tools generates a library file named ADI_ETHER_BF537.dlb, which can then be linked to the network application^[5].

The MAC driver is the connecting bridge between the physical MAC controller/PHY and the software TCP/IP stack (LwIP). On one side, it uses two dedicated DMA channels (DMA1 and DMA2) for the network data exchange between the MAC controller and the system memory. On the other side, it communicates with the TCP/IP stack through a message box mechanism.

The MAC controller talks to the PHY via the MII interface, which includes two parts, the network data exchange (signals RxD[3:0], Rx_DV, Rx_CLK, and Rx_ER for receiving; and TxD[3:0], Tx_EN, Tx_CLK, and Tx_ER for transmitting), and the management data exchange (signals MDC and MDIO). The driver controls the MAC controller by writing/reading its memory-mapped registers (MMRs). It also manages the PHY by commanding the MAC controller to write/read the 32 PHY registers via the MII management data exchange channel.

The first two of the 32 PHY registers, the Control Register (register 0) and the Status Register (register 1), are mandatory, according to the MII specification, while the following 13 registers (registers 2-15) are the optional extended register set. The remaining registers (registers 16-31) are vendor-specific. In the following section, the required modifications to the MAC driver source code to accommodate different PHYs will be described.

Modifying the MAC Driver Code

To enable the MAC driver for the ADSP-BF536/ADSP-BF537 processor to work with different PHYs, you must first modify the ADI_ETHER_BF537.c source code file as described in the following sections.



Required changes to the source code are explained in RED font in the code shown in the following steps.

To make it easy to find the change locations, a modified version of ADI_ETHER_BF537.c is included in the .ZIP file associated with this EE-Note^[6], in which all the change locations are marked with a comment /*PHY_CHANGE_LOCATION*/.

static u32 adi_pdd_Open()

This function determines all the default settings of the PHY, such as PHY address, full/half duplex mode, speed, and auto-negotiation. They can be set here or in the application code by calling device control function the adi_dev_Control() with the corresponding COMMAND. These settings must be done only after adi dev Open() and before adi_dev_Control(..., ADI_ETHER_CMD_START, ...).



dev->PhyAddr = 0x01; // 0x01 1.1 EZ kit and BUB, Changed to reflect the new PHY's
address. The PHY's address is used by the MAC's MII management interface
to identify each PHY, since MII is able to manage up to 32 PHYs with the
same interface. It is usually determined by the strap option pins of the
PHYs. The values of these pins are sampled during PHY reset and are used
to strap the device into specific addresses.
dev->CLKIN = 25; //Ezkit, Changed to reflect the new application system's
oscillator/crystal clock in unit of MHz. It will later be used for
setting up the MDC frequency. According to the MII standard, the minimum
high and low times for the MDC signal shall be 160 ns each, and the
minimum period for MDC shall be 400 ns. The driver uses this CLKIN value
to set up a MDC clock of 2.5MHz.
dev->FullDuplex=false; //Changed to reflect the new PHY's Full Duplex capability
dev->Negotiate = true; //Changed to reflect the new PHY's AUTONEGOTIATION
capability. If the PHY doesn't support it, the driver code must be
changed to set the PHY's capability correctly, which includes dev-
>FullDuplex and dev->Port10. A TRUE value of dev->Port10 means 10MBase,
otherwise it is 100MBase.

static SetPhy()

This function is called when the application issues the ADI_ETHER_CMD_START command to the MAC driver by calling adi_dev_Control

(..., ADI_ETHER_CMD_START, ...). It initializes the PHY using the default parameters set in the adi_pdd_Open()function.

```
Set software reset
```

Configure settling time



Check PHY ID

Enable PHY interrupt

WrPHYReg(dev->PhyAddr, 30, 0x0ff); // enable interrupt, It enables the interrupt of the PHY by writing a vendor-specific register (#30). It needs to be changed to new PHY's counterpart. The enabling of the PHY interrupt also requires the physical connection of the PHY's interrupt pin to the ADSP-BF537 processor's PHY INT pin. If the developer decides not to use the interrupt, this instruction can be commented out.

static ADI_INT_HANDLER(EtherInterruptHandler)

This function is the interrupt service routine (ISR) for the MAC controller interrupt. The interrupt may come from the PHY, the MAC management counter, the Rx frame status, the Tx frame status, and so on^[1]. However, the current version of the driver processes only the PHY interrupt and the MAC management counter interrupt. The PHY interrupt is indicated by the assertion of the INT pin of the PHY and is sensed by the ADSP-BF537 processor at the PHY_INT

pin if these two pins are connected. If you choose to use the PHY interrupt, you must provide your own service code in the if(systat&0x01){...} block in this function. At a minimum, the service code should read and clear the PHY interrupt status bits. Note that different PHYs usually have different interrupt structure and capability. The current MAC driver takes auto-negotiation mode by default, so it sets the full/half duplex mode and PAUSE capability according to its link partners' ability.



```
if (systat&0x01) {
   //PHY INT
   int full=0;
   u32 opmode;
   u16 reg3,reg2,reg,phydat;
   reg2 = RdPHYReg(dev->PhyAddr,2); // read PHY id 1
   reg3 = RdPHYReg(dev->PhyAddr,3); // read PHY id 2
   ADSP-BF537 EZ-Kit Lite evaluation platform). Change to reflect the new
          PHY's ID.
        // SMSC LAN83C185
        reg = RdPHYReg(dev->PhyAddr,31); // read special status, this is to read
          the PHY's speed indication to determine whether full or half duplex is
          being used. Change this instruction and the next one to reflect the new
          PHY.
        full = (reg\&0x10);
        if (full) {
            // does remote link support flow control
            phydat = RdPHYReg(dev->PhyAddr,PHYREG ANLPAR);
            dev->FlowControl = (phydat &0x0400); // get the PAUSE capability of
                  the link partner and set the PAUSE option of the MAC controller
                  accordingly in the following instruction
            if (dev->FlowControl) {
                // we enable flow control
                *pEMAC FLC = FLCE;
                                             /* flow control enabled */
             // advertize flow control supported
        }
   opmode = *pEMAC OPMODE;
   if (full) {
        opmode = 0x04000000;
    else {
        opmode &= 0xfbfffff;
   *pEMAC OPMODE = opmode; // Set the Full/half duplex mode of the MAC controller
          according to the PHY's current mode
   systat = RdPHYReq(dev->PhyAddr,29); // read interrupt sources, read the source
          of the current PHY interrupt and clear it. Change to reflect the new
          PHY. The interrupt event and the status (systat) are to be passed to the
          interrupt callback function. However, the callback of the current
          version of the driver does not do any further processing.
   event = ADI_ETHER_EVENT_INTERRUPT_PHY;
   result = ADI INT RESULT PROCESSED;
}
```



Once all the edits described above are made to the source code, rebuild the ADI_ETHER_BF537.dpj project and copy the generated driver library (.dlb) into:

<install_path>\Blackfin\lib\

Then, include the .dlb in the library list for the application project. The library list can be modified in the VisualDSP++ development tools via the Project Options→Link sub-tree in the Additional options dialog box, as shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. Adding a library to the library list

Click OK to save the changes made to the Project Options, and your project is now set up to include the new driver.

Conclusion

Though the MAC controller driver provided by the VisualDSP++ 4.5 development tools is designed for the PHY on the ADSP-BF537 EZ-KIT Lite evaluation platform, it can be modified to work with other PHYs that are compatible with the MII standard. The modification involves changes to one of the source code files and rebuilding the MAC driver library. However, if you want to use of the extra unique features of the new PHY, you must make further modifications to the driver.



Appendix

Functions for PHY Register Access

These functions can be used for all PHYs.

```
static u16 RdPHYReg(u16 PHYAddr, u16 RegAddr)
static void RawWrPHYReg(u16 PHYAddr, u16 RegAddr, u32 Data)
static void WrPHYReg(u16 PHYAddr, u16 RegAddr, u32 Data)
```

Supported Control Commands

These control commands apply to all MII-compatible PHYs. The default settings are defined in the function adi_pdd_Open(). For new PHY drivers, developers can use control commands after the device is opened or use the adi_pdd_Open() function to configure the settings.

- ADI_ETHER_CMD_BF537_CLKIN
- ADI_ETHER_CMD_BF537_SET_PHY_ADDR
- ADI_ETHER_CMD_SET_LOOPBACK
- ADI_ETHER_CMD_SET_NEGOTIATE
- ADI_ETHER_CMD_SET_FULL_DUPLEX
- ADI_ETHER_CMD_SET_SPEED

MII PHY Registers Used by the Driver

The MAC driver uses the following PHY registers:

- Register 0 (basic): Control Register
- Register 1 (basic): Status Register
- Register 2 (extended): PHY ID 1 Register
- Register 3 (extended): PHY ID 2 Register
- Register 4 (extended): Auto-negotiation Advertisement Register
- Register 5 (extended): Auto-negotiation Link Partner Base Page Ability Register
- Register 29: Interrupt Source Flags
- Register 30: Interrupt Mask Register
- Register 31: PHY special Control/Status Register

In the MAC driver, the number of PHY registers and the register addresses are defined as macros (such as NO_PHY_REGS, PHYREG_MODECTL, and so on) at the top of ADI_ETHER_BF537.c. It is likely that these macros will be different for new PHYs. When developing new drivers, check the data sheet of the PHY to identify the equivalent registers, and change the code accordingly.



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