Ethernet II Controller

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The product

The Ethernet II controller (ND number 110063).

The reader

This manual is intended for all personnel who require information about the Ethernet II Controller.

Assumed background

The reader is assumed to have a general knowledge of digital hardware design.

The manual

This manual outlines the main features of the Ethernet controller and its installation. It is divided into the following three sections:

- 1. Introduction a general overview, including an outline of the Ethernet protocol
- 2. The Controller what it does and how
- 3. Installation what you need to use and how to install the Controller

The appendices include a glossary of terms, Ethernet protocol details and an ND Ethernet product guide.

Related manuals

The following manuals may be useful:

ECMA 57/TC12/83/51 Technical Report TR19 - Local Area Networks Safety Requirements.

IEEE Std 802.3-1985 (ISO/DIS 8802/3) Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD).

Data sheets for:

LANCE (Am7990) - AMD reference number 05698 SIA (Am7992B) - AMD reference number 03378 MFP (68901) - various vendors (Motorola, Mostek)

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Notation

hex Where possible hexadecimal notation of numbers

has been used.

octal Octal numbers, commonly used by ND-100 users,

are denoted by the subscript: $_{g}$.

binary Binary numbers have the subscript: 2.

bits Bits within registers are also described using

subscripts e.g. Ethernet control register, is

bit 2 of this register.

In the COSMOS Monitor example (pages 45-9), the

following notation is used:

highlight Highlighted text will be displayed by the

computer.

underline Where underlined text is shown, information is

to be entered by the user. 🚣 denotes carriage

return.

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CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

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The Ethernet II controller is implemented on a single-card for ND-100 based systems. The controller conforms to the IEEE 802.3 and ISO/DIS 8802/3 standards.

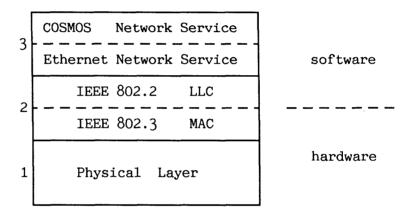
Systems using the two-card Ethernet I from Norsk Data can be upgraded to this single card option (see Section 3.4). ND-100 based systems can drive a maximum of four Ethernet II controllers.

This chapter outlines the basic features of the controller and of the protocol required for communicating on an Ethernet.

Architecture

The Ethernet controller implements the three lowest layers of the OSI seven layer model for system communication. The network layer (level 3) is implemented by software running on the Ethernet controller with the controller's hardware and external transceiver implementing the data link and physical layers (levels 2 and 1).

A complete overview of the seven layers is given in Appendix C.



LLC : Logical Link Layer
MAC : Medium Access Layer
COSMOS: proprietary software

Figure 1. The implementation of Ethernet II - OSI standard

The Ethernet II controller has the following hardware architecture:

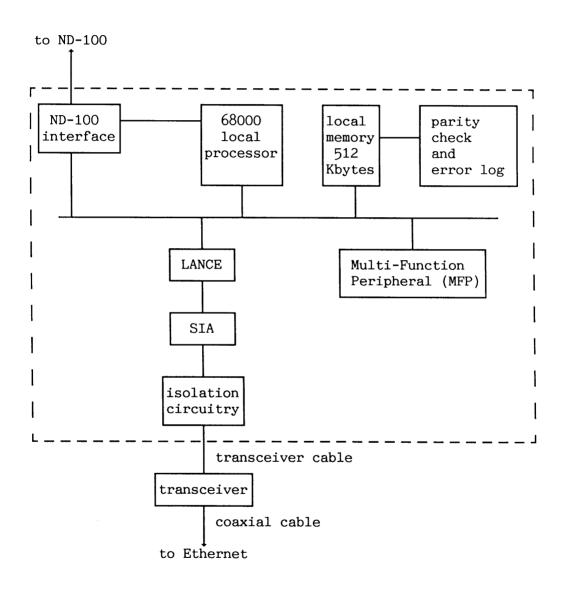


Figure 2. Block diagram of Ethernet II

Ethernet protocol

Ethernet is a protocol designed for baseband local area networks (LANs). The network has a bus topology using an algorithm for bus access known as CSMA/CD (Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection).

CSMA/CD

Access to the network is as follows:

All stations on the Ethernet continually listen to network activity.

A controller wishing to transmit waits for a quiet period (i.e. no activity on the network - none of the stations are transmitting) and begins to transmit.

collision

If another station begins to transmit at almost the same time, the transmitted signals will collide and the data on the network becomes garbled.

The transmitting nodes detect this collision and continue to transmit for a predetermined length of time. This ensures that all the nodes on the network recognize that a collision has occurred. The nodes transmit a jam pattern of any pattern except that of the CRC. If the collision occured during the preamble, the preamble is still sent followed by the jam pattern.

The action taken by a receiving controller during collision depends upon the time taken to detect the collision.

- If within 4.8µs, an address mismatch has occurred, the packet will be rejected and the Silo pointer reset.
- If within 51.2μs, the packet will be rejected as a runt packet.

• After 51.2μs, a late collision has occurred and the packet written into the Silo (the FIFO on the LANCE - see Section 2.2) but with the CRC error bit set.

The transmitting nodes then **backoff**, each delaying a random period of time before retransmitting. Sixteen attempts, with increasing timeout range, can be made by the controller before an error message is given due to excessive collisions on the network.

The frame formats of packets transmitted and received by the controller are given in Appendix B.

The Ethernet II controller conforms to the following protocol standards:

- IEEE 802.3
- ECMA 80/81/82
- ISO/DIS 8802/3

CHAPTER 2 THE CONTROLLER

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The controller is implemented on a single card featuring:

- a 68000 local processor
- a LANCE (Local Area Network Controller for Ethernet)
- a SIA (Serial Interface Adapter)
- local memory
- Ethernet transceiver power control
- a MFP (Multi-Function Peripheral controller)
- ND-100 bus interface

2.1 68000 local processor

The 68000 is a 10 MHz, 16-bit processor dedicated to the I/O processing required by the Ethernet controller. Its basic control signals - HALT and RESET - are directly set by the ND-100.

68000 interrupt levels

These are assigned as follows:

level	interrupt source
7 6 5 4 3 2 1	ND-100 power low ND-100 OPCOM parity error test console (PTC) MFP (and ND-100) * LANCE interrupt not used indicates no interrupt

^{*} see Section 2.4.5

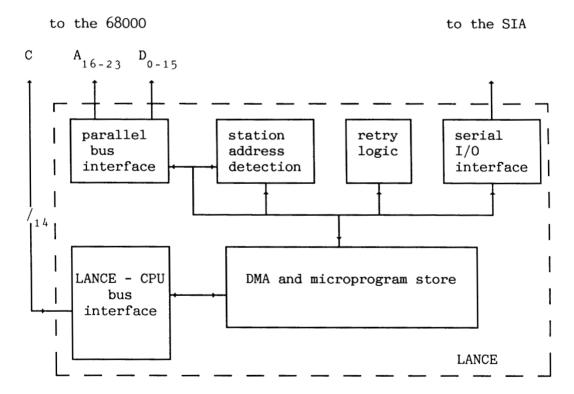
Interrupt priority is assigned such that level 7 has highest priority and level 0 the lowest.

Detailed and introductory descriptions of the 68000 can be found in the vendors' manuals.

2.2 LANCE

The LANCE (Local Area Network Controller for Ethernet - Am7990) is a single integrated circuit featuring:

- on-board DMA and buffer management (48 byte FIFO known as a Silo)
- network and packet error reporting
- back-to-back packet reception
- network diagnostics (see page 46):
 - internal/external loopback
 - CRC logic check
 - time domain reflectometer



C: control signals

Figure 3. Block diagram of the LANCE

The LANCE operates in two modes:

- transmit
- receive

In transmit mode, the LANCE directly accesses data in memory and formats it into a packet for transmission (see Appendix B). The packet consists of:

- preamble
- sync pattern
- data
- 32-bit CRC

The LANCE transmits the packet to the SIA. It loads the first byte of data into its Silo. Then, as the LANCE transmits the preamble to the SIA, it simultaneously loads the Silo with the remaining data.

In receive mode, packets are loaded into the Silo via the SIA. The CRC of the received data is calculated and compared and appended to CRC field given by the packet. If the CRCs do not match, an error bit is set.

Error reporting

System errors reported by the LANCE include:

- babbling transmitter (the transmitter is attempting to send more than 1518 data bytes)
- collision (collision detection malfunctions)

- missed packet (insufficient buffer space)
- memory timeout (25.6μs)

Packet errors include:

- CRC (data invalid)
- framing (the end of the packet was not on a byte boundary). This is also known as octet or alignment error.
- overflow/underflow (slow response to a DMA request)
- buffer (insufficient buffer space)

Detailed information on LANCE operation can be found in the vendors' manuals.

2.3 SIA

The SIA (Serial Interface Adapter - Am7992B) is a single integrated circuit featuring:

- a Manchester encoder/decoder
- collision detection

For transmission the SIA encodes the separate clock and NRZ data packet into a standard Manchester II serial bit stream (see Appendix B for a description of Manchester encoding).

For reception the SIA indicates to the LANCE that data is being received and separates the incoming Manchester-encoded data stream into clock and NRZ data.

Any collisions on the network are detected and signalled to the LANCE.

2.4 Local memory

The local memory consists of:

- 512 Kbyte DRAM (dynamic RAM)
- 1 Kbit SRAM (static RAM)
- 128 Kbyte EPROM (future option)

2.4.1 Local DRAM

The local DRAM is accessible from the ND-100 as if it were any other ND-100 memory bank. The location of the DRAM in the ND-100 address space can be set by two thumbwheels located on the card edge (see section 3.2). The bank number of the card can be read back to the ND-100 using the IOXT instruction.

Messages between the controller and ND-100 can be transferred via special mailbox areas in the DRAM.

To pass messages, the Ethernet controller can interrupt the ND-100 and vice versa. The controller's control and status registers are under the direct control of the ND-100 (see section 2.4.6 for their description).

DRAM access priority

The priority of access to the DRAM is:

- ND-100 (highest)
- LANCE
- 68000 (lowest)

Byte parity on memory

The DRAM includes a byte parity DRAM of 256K by 18 bits.

Parity errors

The Ethernet II has two parity error tests:

- external
- internal

external parity test

Here, the ND-100 generates an error which is reported.

Note -

This test should only be used by ND-100 stand-alone programs. Tests under SINTRAN should only run after the memory has been tested.

The ND-100 executes the test as follows:

- it disables the parity write by using an IOXT instruction to set the **disable check** bit in the Ethernet control register (bit 8). (See page 29.)
- it then looks for the parity error signal on the bus when the error is detected
- and sets the LED marked 'PERR' on (see Section 3.2). The LED is turned off by a RESET.

internal parity test

Here the 68000 generates parity errors and initiates an interrupt.

• the 68000 writes a one to PARITYDIS, the parity disable register (address: EF0022) to disable parity write

- any parity error is reported by a level 5 interrupt to the 68000
- the contents of PARITYDIS are read

If PARITYDIS is set together with BREAKMODE (address: EF0024), forced parity errors are used to set the breakpoint without changing the code. The parity error routine should read the BREAKMODE address to determine whether the parity error was a breakpoint or not.

Power failure

The DRAM and its refresh system are connected to the stand-by power supply so that the memory contents are preserved.

The ND-100 activates its **Master Clear**, a power failure sequence, on detecting the failure of its main power supply. This includes a **power-low interrupt** to the controller which resets the controller within approximately 50µs. The interrupt service routine for power-low saves all registers in the 68000 and drives the HALT and RESET signals low.

At the end of the Master Clear pulse, bus arbitration is reset and the 68000 becomes bus master. The SCIP (Status Change in PIOC) register on the Ethernet controller (see Section 2.4.3) is reset 200µs after power low by the Delayed Clear pulse.

The ND-100 restarts the controller by using an IOXT instruction, which results in the 68000 fetching the system stack pointer and restart address (held in the first eight bytes of DRAM). SINTRAN (the operating system) and PIOCOS cannot restart the controller in this manner.

Local SRAM - DRAM protection

The SRAM protects the DRAM from being written to:

- by input DMA.
- by the 68000 user

The SRAM is a **protect table** for the controller's DRAM.

The DRAM is divided into memory segments of 512 bytes. Each segment has a corresponding bit in the SRAM which is either set or cleared to select memory protection or not.

Read and write access to a memory segment is gained by writing a one to the address of the segment concerned plus an offset address of 15360K. A zero protects the segment from access.

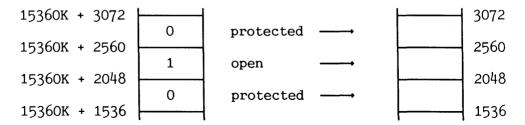


Figure 4. Memory protection

Attempting to access a protected area results in a bus error which will interrupt the 68000 with a write protect violation.

The protect table is established at system start-up. Programs running in 68000 Supervisor mode can access protected DRAM areas.

2.4.2 EPROM

The 128K by 16 bit EPROM can only be accessed by the 68000. The EPROM is currently not used by the controller, so the boards are delivered with empty EPROM sockets. Future developments may implement EPROM.

2.4.3 Address decoding

	In RAM mode:	- -	In EPROM mode*	٠:
FFFFFF	RAM image		RAM image	
F80000 F7FFFF F00000	protect table		protect table	
EFO1FF EFO000	I/O space		I/O space	
EEFFFF	spare		spare	
81FFFF 800000	EPROM		DRAM	
080000 7FFFFF 080000 07FFFF 020000 01FFFF	spare .		spare .	
	DRAM		DRAM .	
	DRAM		EPROM	
0000000				

^{*} see previous section

RAM image

This area is always used by the ND-100. The LANCE and 68000 do have access.

Addresses of other devices in the I/O address space

The I/O addresses within this region are decoded twice i.e. EFOOXX = EFO1XX, so that PIOC and Ethernet I software can be used.

address range	used by/as:	R/W
EF00C0 - EF00FF EF00B8 - EF00BF EF00B0 - EF00B7 EF00A8 - EF00AF EF00A0 - EF00A7 EF0080 - EF009F EF0060 - EF007F EF0040 - EF005F EF0020 - EF003F EF0010 - EF001F	MFP ETHSTAT LANRESET XCVPW LANCE SCIP EAREN MERRSTAT MODCR PROFF not used	R/W R W W R/W R R W

R: read W: write

Table 1. Addresses used in the I/O address space

MFP

Multi-Function Peripheral

The MFP uses the base address of EFOOCO plus a displacement of 1-55 (1-37 hex) to address all the registers within the MFP. ONLY ODD addresses are used to access the MFP.

ETHSTAT

Ethernet hardware status

These addresses read the current hardware status of the controller. Only two of the bits read are significant when ZERO:

bit	meaning
2	power enable
0	LAN interrupt

LANRESET

LANCE hardware reset

Using an address in this range will initiate a hardware reset.

XCVPW

Transceiver 12 Volt power switch

Writing a one to this single-bit register will enable the 12 Volt power switch on the transceiver. Writing a zero, turns the power off.

LANCE

LANCE address space

Only two addresses are needed to address the LANCE. They are:

address	name
EFOOAO	Register Data Port (RDP)
EFOOA2	Register Address Port (RAP)

All accesses to the LANCE are 16-bit using evenbyte addresses.

SCIP

Status Change In PIOC

Using this address range results in an interrupt on level 12 to the ND-100.

EAREN

Error Address Enable

Using this address range returns the address (A_{1-16}) of a memory error on the 68000 data bus.

MERRSTAT

Parity Error Enable

The information returned by these addresses has the format:

1	15		11 10		10	5	4	3	0	
	0	1	0	0	0	parity	0	0	info	

bit	description	
10 9 8 7 6 3 2 1	write to parity address bit 18 address bit 17 NGACK) error detected in BGACK) read access parity error in high byte parity error in low byte parity bit read with high byte parity bit read with low byte	* *

Write to parity is enabled when the bit is zero; disabled when set.

* The logic state of the following bits/signals determine which device detected an error in read access:

NGACK bit 7	BGACK bit 6	device
0	0	ND-100
0	1	none
1	0	LANCE
1	1	68000

MODCR

Mode control register This is addressed by:

address	description
EF0020	EPROMMODE
EF0022	PARITYDIS
EF0024	BREAKMODE
EF0026	SPARE

All four single-bit registers are cleared after RESET. Each register can be cleared by writing a zero or set by writing a one to its address.

PROFF

Protection Off

Writing a one into this address by a 68000 routine means the protect table contents are ignored.

2.4.4 Ethernet transceiver power control

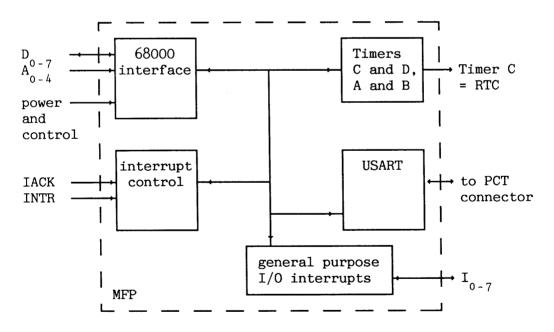
A current switch monitors the D.C. current supplied to the transceiver from the ND-100 via the controller card. The current switch will disconnect the supply on controller command or when the current level could harm hardware or data integrity.

2.4.5 Multifunction Peripheral (MFP)

The 68901 Multifunction Peripheral (MFP) combines many of the peripheral functions into one integrated circuit:

- eight parallel I/O lines
- interrupt controller for 16 sources
- four timers
- one full-duplex serial port for Asynchronous or Synchronous communication channel (USART)

A functional block diagram of the MFP is given below:



PCT: PIOC console terminal

RTC: real time clock

Figure 5. The Multifunction Peripheral (MFP) block diagram

The MFP is used as follows:

USART

The USART is connected to a 10-pin PCT (PIOC console terminal) connector. When activated, the PCT interrupts the 68000 on interrupt level 5 via the MFP.

Timers A-D

Timer C is used as a real time clock (RTC). Timers A,B and D are not used.

Interrupts

The interrupts $(I_0 - I_7)$ are assigned as follows:

interrupt	use
7	write violation
6	ND-100 interrupt
5	LANCE error *
4-0	not used

- * A LANCE error is generated when a memory cycle is stopped by any of the following:
 - protect violation
 - bus error
 - address out of range

MFP after RESET and initialization

After RESET, all the MFP's registers except for timer registers are cleared. Software then re-initializes the registers. The interrupt vectors from the MFP to the 68000 are:

vector address	indicates:
117 116 114 113 112 111 107 105	write violation by 68000 * ND-100 requesting interrupt * receive buffer full receive error transmit buffer empty transmit error LANCE memory access error RTC (real time clock)

^{*} the ND-100 is the source

2.4.6 ND-100 interface

Messages between the controller and ND-100 can be transferred via mailbox areas in the DRAM.

To pass messages, the Ethernet controller can interrupt the ND-100 on interrupt level 12 and the ND-100 can interrupt the controller by setting the ND interrupt bit (Ethernet control register, - see following description).

The ND-100 will interrupt the controller on level 6 when the normal Ethernet/ND-100 communication path cannot be used.

The control and status registers are under the direct control of the ND-100.

Ethernet control register

This is a 16-bit register controlling the following functions:

bit	function
15-9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	not used disable check bit not used power low halt reset start OPCOM ND interrupt not used enable SCIP interrupt

A Master Clear pulse from the ND-100 (or power-on) will set the controller's RESET and HALT signals and reset any local I/O activity.

The ND-100 starts controller activity by writing to the control register with the halt and reset bits cleared (zero).

The ND-100 writes to this register using an IOXT instruction. The Ethernet address of the controller plus 1 or 3 must be loaded into the T register before an IOXT is executed (see Section 3 - Thumbwheel selection of Ethernet address).

Ethernet status register

This has the format:

bit	function
15-8 6 5 4 2 0	bank number memory is 512 Kbytes * halt reset active interrupt set for ND-100 on level 12 interrupt enabled onto ND-100 bus

^{*} always zero

bank number

Bits 8 and 9 are ALWAYS zero as the controller must start on a half-megabyte boundary i.e. the bank number is always a multiple of four.

The ND-100 reads this register using an IOXT instruction. The Ethernet address of the controller plus 0 or 2 must be loaded into the T register before an IOXT is executed (see Section 3 - Thumbwheel selection of Ethernet address).

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This section outlines how to install your Ethernet II card. It also offers some guidelines on network configuration and equipment requirements.

3.1 What you need

Controller to ND-100:

- Ethernet II Controller
- Ethernet/GPIB plug panel
- internal cable between controller and plug panel

To establish an Ethernet network:

- Ethernet transceiver(s)
- fan-out unit(s)*
- transceiver cable(s)
- coaxial cable(s)
- coaxial accessories
- repeater(s)*
- point-to-point cable(s)*
 - * depends upon network size

Ethernet transceiver

The transceiver is powered by the ND-100's 12 Volt D.C. supply via the Ethernet controller. A current switch will disconnect the power to the transceiver in the case of:

- short circuit or excessive transceiver current consumption
- low 5 Volt supply
- a power off command from the controller

A power-off command is issued:

- after jabber (data transmitted to jam the network)
- as a result of a hanging transmitter
- if the heartbeat is missing

Fan-out unit

A fan-out unit acts as a transceiver multiplexer, providing eight transceiver-type connections for DTEs (Data Terminal Equipment).

Transceiver cable

This cable links the transceiver to the Ethernet controller card via the ND-100's plug panel. The maximum cable length, i.e. distance between transceiver and controller, is 50m. It is a four-pair shielded cable, 75Ω impedance.

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connectors

cable to transceiver:

- 15 pin D-type sub-miniature female with slide lock assembly
- Cinch type DA 51220-1 or equivalent

The transceiver must have a mating male connector with locking posts.

cable to controller:

- male with locking posts
- Cinch type DA 53018 or equivalent

This connector must mate with the female connector in the ND-100 plug panel.

Coaxial cable

The maximum segment length of coaxial cable is 500m. The cable is marked every 2.5m for correct transceiver installation. It has the following characteristics:

- 4 shields
- foamed dielectric
- 50Ω impedance
- 10.3mm thick
- propogation velocity: 0.77c
- supplied by one vendor only

Cable recommendations:

The following lists, in order of preference, steps that can be taken to reduce signal reflections caused by cable discontinuities.

- The cable segment should be made from one continuous cable.
- If segments are built up from smaller sections, cable from the same manufacturer and preferably the same batch should be used.
- If cable sections from different manufacturers are used, then standard lengths (23.4m, 70.2m, 117m) should be used.
- An arbitary configuration of the cable should only be used if the worst-case signal reflection at any point on the cable is less than 7% of the initial signal.

Coaxial accessories

The following accessories are required:

- male n-type coaxial connector at the end of every cable segment
- female jack with a 50Ω terminator at each end of the (composite) segment
- a cable splice female-female coaxial barrel connector to join segments

All of these connectors must be electrically isolated from the building ground (rubber isolators are available for the Ethernet terminator and cable splice accessories).

Repeaters

A repeater must be used when more than one 500m cable segment is used. Two types of repeaters are available:

- local repeater
- remote repeater

A repeater ensures that valid data is transferred over a long distance on the Ethernet. It does this by:

- regenerating preamble
- extending collision fragments
- carrying out automatic partitioning and reconnection in the event of a segment failure
- allowing manual partitioning for segment servicing or reconfiguration

A **local repeater** is used for point-to-point links between cable segments within the same building.

A **remote repeater** is used for connections between buildings.

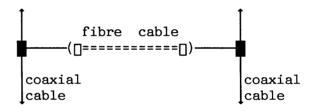
A maximum of two repeaters can be used in the path between any two stations connected to the Ethernet. However, more than two repeaters can be used providing the **round-trip delay** ($51\mu s$) is not exceeded.

Point-to-point cable

Coaxial segments in the same building can be joined by using a link segment of up to 1 km.

The link can be greater than 1 km providing the round-trip delay $(51\mu s)$ is not exceeded.

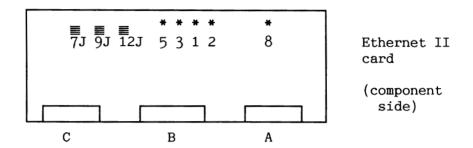
The point-to-point cable consists of a double fibre optic cable terminated by 9mm SMA connectors at each end.



- (☐ half repeater (BICC 1150)
- half repeater (BICC 1150)
- = double fibre optic cable
- transceiver

Figure 6. A point-to-point link

3.2 What to set



key:

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LED	colour	denotes
8	yellow	external 12V transceiver
5	red	memory parity error
3	yellow	active memory cycle
2	red	68000 halt
1	red	68000 reset

thumbwheel	selects	page ref:
7J,9J	memory bank number	40
12J	Ethernet number	41

A,B,C edge connectors

Figure 7. LED activity and thumbwheel selection on an Ethernet II $\it card$

Thumbwheel selection of memory bank

The thumbwheels numbered 7J and 9J select the memory bank accessible to the controller. The thumbwheel numbers correspond to the memory segments as follows:

0	bwheel 9J	bank number	PIOC address space (Kbytes)	Physical page (hex)
0	0-3	0	0 - 512	O - FF
0	4-7	4	512 - 1024	100 - 1FF
0	8-11	8	1024 - 1536	200 - 2FF
0	12 - 15	12	1536 - 2048	300 - 3FF
1	0	16	2048 - 2560	400 - 4FF
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Table 2. Thumbwheel selection of memory banks

Thumbwheel selection of Ethernet number

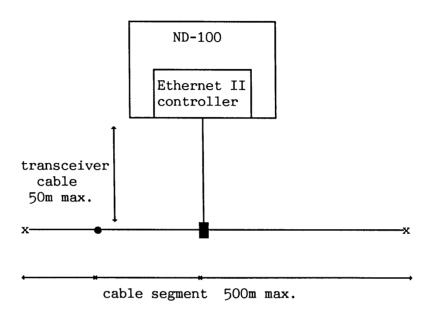
An ND-100 can control four Ethernet controllers. The Ethernet address of a controller in the system must be set by thumbwheel 12J.

thumbwheel 12J	Ethernet number	Ethernet address (device number)	Ident Code
0	1	140360	140034
1	2	140364 ⁸	140035
2	3	140370 ⁸	140036
3	4	140374 ⁸	140037

Table 3. Thumbwheel selection of Ethernet address

The Ethernet address (device number) given above is the base address, each controller is assigned four addresses, two for reading from and two for writing to the ND-100 (see Section 2.4.6).

3.3 How to connect to the network



 50Ω terminator with insulator

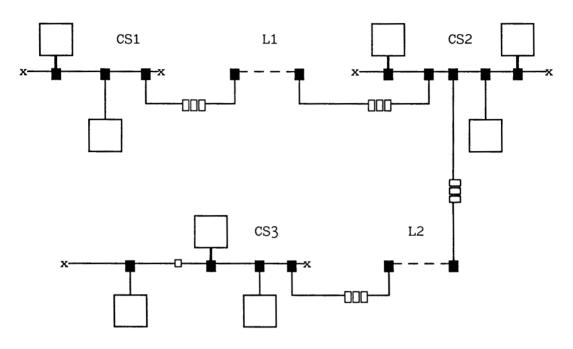
■: transceiver

x:

• : cable splice with insulator

Figure 8. Connecting to the Ethernet

Configuration:



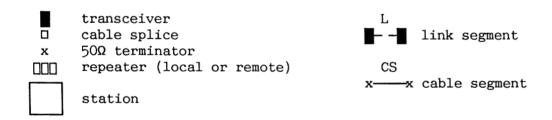


Figure 9. A typical multi-station, multi-segment Ethernet

3.4 How to upgrade to an Ethernet II

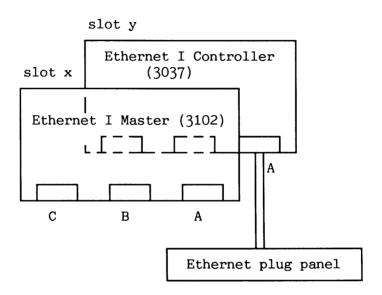


Figure 10. Upgrading from an Ethernet I

- Remove the Ethernet I Master and Controller cards.
- 2. Remove the cable linking the B-connectors.
- 3. Insert the Ethernet II card in the slot that was occupied by the Ethernet I Controller card (slot y).
- 4. Reset the thumbwheel settings of any I/O cards above the Ethernet memory space.
- 5. IF any DMA request sources are installed at slot numbers greater than the Ethernet controller, insert a dummy plug linking the following connector signals in the slot once occupied by the Ethernet I Master (slot x):

INGRANT to OUTGRANT INIDENT to OUTIDENT

- 6. Run configuration test.
- 7. Reinstall COSMOS Ethernet option.

3.5 Ethernet statistics

A monitor program can be run as follows:

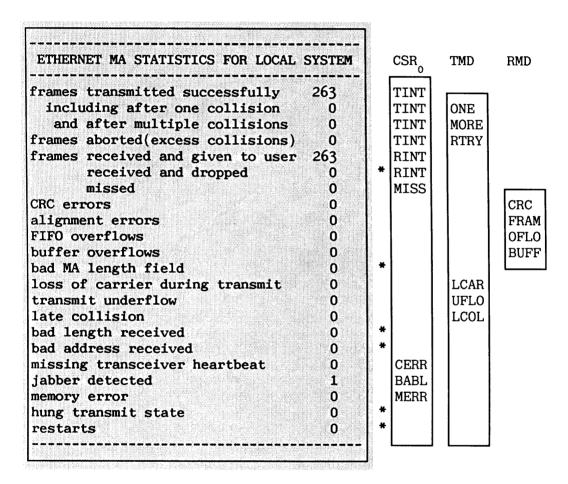
COSMOS ETHERNET MONITOR
VERSION XXX
FOR ND-110063 ETHERNET II
(type HELP for list of available commands)

ENTER COMMAND: STATJ
get statistics
server number (0/1/2/3):0
system name:name of system
source of statistics is specified by integer code as follows:
0 => MA Logical Address statistics
N => Network Server Statistics for connection to system N
specify statistics source (0/N):0
MA stats
via physical copy (Y/N):N

Figure 11. Calling Ethernet statistics from the COSMOS Monitor

where xxx represents the current version number of the COSMOS Monitor

This will return the statistics for Ethernet server 0. The following is an example of statistics reported to the terminal. The text which is not highlighted is a cross-reference to the relevant registers in the LANCE (it is NOT reported to the terminal).



CSR: Control and Status Register RMD: Receive Message Descriptor TMD: Transmit Message Descriptor

*: statistic determined by the 68000

Figure 12. Typical Ethernet statistics returned by the COSMOS Monitor

Description of COSMOS Monitor statistics

frames transmitted successfully

This is the number of successfully transmitted frames.

frames transmitted successfully after one collision

This the number of frames that required one retry to transmit the packet.

frames transmitted successfully after multiple collisions

This the number of frames that required more than one retry to transmit the packet.

frames aborted

This is the number of frames aborted. The transmitter has failed after sixteen retries to transmit the frame.

frames received and given to the user

This is the number of successfully received frames.

frames received and dropped

The number of frames dropped after reception if the ENNS buffer space is full.

frames missed

This is the number of times the receiver lost a packet.

CRC errors

This is the number of CRC errors detected by the receiver.

alignment errors

This is the number of alignment or framing errors received. The error is flagged when a received packet contains a non-integer multiple of eight bits and a CRC error.

FIFO overflows

This is the number of times the Silo overflowed

resulting in all or part of the incoming packet being lost.

Buffer overflows

A buffer overflow is detected when either the Silo overflow occurred before the LANCE received the next status information or the LANCE does not own the next buffer whilst data-chaining a received packet.

bad MA length field

This is the number of received frames with a field length inconsistent to that in the DMA command byte.

loss of carrier during transmit

This is the number of times the carrier input signal to the LANCE (RENA) has been lost whilst the LANCE was transmitting. The LANCE continues to transmit the packet but will not retry if transmission fails.

transmit underflows

This is the number of times the transmitter has truncated a message due to late data being received from memory. In this case, the Silo is emptied before the end of the packet was reached.

late collision

The number of collisions that occurred after the slot time.

bad length received

The number of incorrect length fields received.

bad address received

The number of incorrect addresses received.

missing transceiver heartbeat

This is the number of times a collision occuring after LANCE transmission fails to activate the LANCE within $2\mu s$.

jabber detected

This is the number of times a transmitter timeout error has occurred. This timeout occurs

when the transmitter has been on the channel longer that the time required to send the maximum packet length.

memory error

This error is set when the LANCE, as a Bus Master, has not received a READY signal in response to an address. This error turns the LANCE transmitter and receiver off.

hung transmit state

The number of one second software timeouts on awaiting transmit commands.

restarts

The number of restarts given by the ND-100 to the 68000.

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backoff The time a transmitting node waits before

retransmitting after a collision.

68000 16-bit microprocessor

c speed of light in a vacuum $(3 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1})$

CPU Central Processing Unit

CRC Cyclic Redundancy Checksum

CSMA/CD Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detect

DMA Direct Memory Access

Ethernet A protocol for communicating between devices on a

Local Area Network.

Ethernet I An Ethernet controller for ND-100 systems based

on a two card solution (Ethernet master and a

controller).

frame packet + preamble

FIFO First-In. First-Out (called Silo as

implemented within the LANCE).

heartbeat A signal generated by a transceiver to indicate

it is operative. This is also known as SQE.

IEEE Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

(U.S.A.)

ISO International Standards Organisation

jam Nodes jam the network by transmitting

simultaneously to ensure all nodes know a

collision has occured on the network.

LAN Local Area Network

LANCE Local Area Network Controller for Ethernet

LED Light Emitting Diode

ND-100 series The family of 16-bit general purpose computers from Norsk Data consisting of the following:

ND-100

ND-100/CE

ND-100/CX

ND-100 Compact ND-100 Satellite

ND-110/CE ND-110/CX

node An access point to (or a device on) the Ethernet.

NRZ Non-Return-to-Zero...a type of data encoding.

OPCOM OPerator COMmunication...direct communication

with the ND-100 CPU.

OSI Open Systems Interconnection

packet Significant information within the Ethernet

frame (destination address to FCS fields).

PIOC Programmable Input/Output Controller

preamble preamble + sync (or SFD)

segment in memory...512K of contiguous memory

of a cable...fixed length of cable.

SIA Serial Interface Adapter

SQE Signal Quality Error (see heartbeat)

APPENDIX B ETHERNET PROTOCOL DETAILS

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Frame format

IEEE 802.3		Ethernet
preamble	••••••	preamble
SFD 10101011 ₂	64 bits	sync 11 ₂
destination address	6 bytes	destination address
source address	6 bytes	source address
length	2 bytes	type
data	46-1500 bytes	data
pad		FCS
FCS		

IEEE 802.3 - Ethernet differences

Frame terminology

An IEEE 802.3 and Ethernet frame should be identical. Each protocol divides the frame into fields with different names. A short description of the field terminology is given below.

Each octet (byte) in the frame is transmitted/received low-order bit first (see FCS). Transmission/reception begins with the preamble field.

preamble

A sequence of bits transmitted to synchronize clocks and other devices on the network. The bit pattern is alternate ones and zeros (1010...10). An Ethernet frame transmits a further six bits as preamble compared to the IEEE 802.3 (equivalent to the first six bits of the SFD).

SFD - IEEE 802.3

Start Frame Delimiter. This is a byte of data indicating the start of a frame (information) after the preamble. The byte is always 10101011 (IEEE 802.3 only).

sync - Ethernet

An Ethernet sync field consists of two bits both set to one.

· Note -

The actual bit pattern of the preamble and SFD (IEEE 802.3) will be the same as the preamble and sync (Ethernet).

source address

This six byte field specifies the station sending the frame. It has the format:

byte	1	2	3	4	5	6
hex value	08	00	26	LB	НВ	00

The first three bytes are the **global ND address**. A number unique to ND Ethernet equipment and registered with the IEEE and ISO.

The next two bytes are the high and low bytes (HB and LB) of an ND system.

The last byte is zero.

destination address

This six byte field specifies the station(s) for which the frame is intended.

The first two bits have the following significance:

bit	value	type of address
0	0 1	individual group *
1	0 1	global local/broadcast

^{*} a group address can select none, one, more than one or all stations.

length - IEEE 802.3

This two byte field gives the number of data bytes in the frame. If the number of data bytes is less than 64 bytes a pad field is added to allow the shorter data field to be received.

type - Ethernet

This two byte field specifies the type of packet. Packet length is supplied by the LANCE during reception.

data

This is Manchester-encoded data (see next section).

FCS

Frame Check Sequence A cyclic redundancy check (CRC) is used by the transmit and receive algorithms to monitor any corruption of information received/transmitted on the Ethernet. The FCS (Frame Check Sequence) field of the frame will contain the frame's CRC value.

The CRC is calculated from the following frame fields:

- source address
- destination address
- length (type)
- data
- pad

Note: The low-order bit transmitted/received first of the FCS is the most significant term of the CRC polynomial and the high-order bit the least significant.

Manchester encoding

The separate data and clock signals are encoded by making, at the centre of a bit cell:

- a positive-going transition for a logical ONE
- a negative-going transition for a logical ZERO

and

• a transition at each cell boundary between consecutive bit cells of the same value.

Three examples of a Manchester-encoded bit stream are given below:

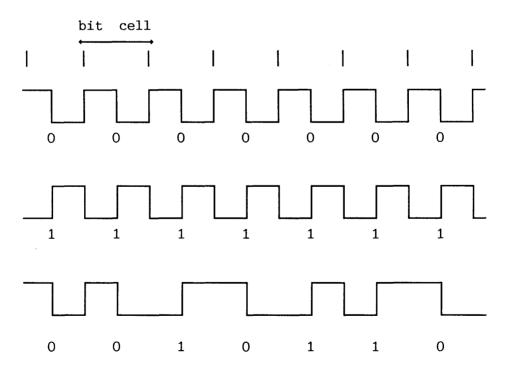


Figure 13. Examples of Manchester-encoded signals

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Ethernet accessories

ND Number	Product Name
107700 107710 107720 107730 107740 107750 107760 107770 107780 107790 107830	Transceiver cable, 5m Transceiver cable, 15m Ethernet 50Ω terminator Ethernet cable splice Ethernet transceiver Local repeater package Ethernet coaxial cable, 23.4m Ethernet coaxial cable, 70.2m Ethernet coaxial cable, 117m Remote repeater package Fan out unit package

Α

В

A includes 1 repeater, 2 transceivers and two transceiver cables B includes 2 repeaters, 2 transceivers and two 15m transceiver cables

OSI model and ND's implementation

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5	XMSG		nil	- host (ND-100 series)
4		ISO TC.4	ARPA TCP*	
3	LNCN	ISO CNLSNL (inactive subset)	ARPA IP	
	LLC1	LLC1		- Ethernet
2	M	AC	DIX	
1		Physical		

* to be implemented late 1987 by Ethernet II

DIX : Digital-Intel-Xerox specified protocol

ARPA : Advanced Research Projects Agency

LLC : Logical Link Control

CNLSNL: Connectionless Network Layer

LNCN : Local Network COSMOS Network Layer

MAC : Media Access Control

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