

**IBIS Open Forum Minutes**

Meeting Date: **May 12, 2021**

Meeting Location: **IBIS Summit at IEEE SPI 2021 Virtual Workshop**

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**OFFICIAL OPENING**

The IBIS Summit at IEEE SPI 2021 Virtual Workshop took place on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 as an online virtual meeting. About 36 people representing 18 organizations attended.

The notes below capture some of the content and discussions. The meeting presentations and other documents are available at:

<https://ibis.org/summits/may21/>

Start and stop times listed in these minutes refer to the meeting recording linked at:

<https://ibis.org/summits/may21/summit_recording.mp4>

Randy Wolff opened the summit by welcoming everyone and thanking them for joining. He thanked the organizers of SPI 2021 for working with IBIS to organize the summit.

(Start time: 0:00, End time: 1:00)

**IBIS CHAIR’S REPORT**

Randy Wolff (Micron Technology)

Randy Wolff provided a report on ongoing activities of the IBIS Open Forum. He shared a list of the new features (BIRDs) expected in the upcoming IBIS 7.1. He encouraged everyone to consider working with an IBIS task group and or drafting a BIRD if they had ideas for enhancements to IBIS.

(Start time: 1:30, End time: 17:00)

**POWER INTEGRITY ANALYSIS FOR HIGH SPEED ASICS**

Meng, Liqiang; Liu, Xiaoxuan (ZTE Corporation, China)

[Presented by Liu, Xiaoxuan (ZTE Corporation, China)]

Xiaoxuan Liu described some of the limitations, particularly in high current applications, of PDN design based upon a target impedance. She discussed some more realistic design and simulation scenarios based on characteristic impedance curves created using CPMs (chip power models).

(Start time: 18:00, End time: 30:00)

**IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON SIGNAL AND POWER INTEGRITY**

Alistair Duffy (De Montfort University) (President, IEEE EMC Society)

Alistair Duffy presented an introduction to the IEEE EMC Society’s Fields-of-Interest. He then noted that the SI/PI community is not a subset of the EMC community, and there is a need for an archival central location for related SI/PI publications. He reviewed some data and survey results suggesting the potential for large readership and active participation in paper submission. The new IEEE Transactions on Signal and Power Integrity is expected to launch in April of 2022, and they conservatively anticipate 20 papers in 2022, 25 papers in 2023, and 30 papers in 2024. He reviewed details, scope and sponsorship of the new publication. It is expected to be electronic format only and no printed version. Reviewed papers could be published as soon as they are approved. Alistair asked for feedback from the IBIS community’s members on how they think they might contribute to this initiative.

(Start time: 30:45, End time: 57:45)

**TIME DOMAIN MACROMODEL EXTRACTION**

Ross, Bob (Teraspeed Labs, USA)

Bob Ross presented a review of some work on generating low-order rational function representations of transfer functions from time-domain measurement or simulation data. The presentation notes some lesser-known mathematical identities and some historical work of interest to modern researchers.

(Start time: 59:00, End time: 1:36:15)

**SPICE MACROMODEL GENERATION**

Ross, Bob (Teraspeed Labs, USA)

Bob Ross presented a process for generating SPICE macromodels based on cascaded building-block RLC pole and zero stages.

(Start time: 1:38:30, End time: 1:59:30)

**RECENT DEVELOPMENTS ON ADVANCED MACROMODELING BY POLITECNICO DI TORINO**

Bradde, Tommaso; De Stefano, Marco; Zanco, Alessandro; Grivet-Talocia, Stefano

(Politecnico di Torino, Italy)

[Presented by Grivet-Talocia, Stefano; De Stefano, Marco; Zanco, Alessandro; Bradde, Tommaso (Politecnico di Torino, Italy)]

Stefano Grivet-Talocia provided an overview of some current macromodeling research topics. Marco De Stefano presented work on efficient strategies for macromodeling of large-scale systems with hundreds of I/O ports. Alessandro Zanco presented work on more scalable and efficient multivariate parameterized macromodels. Tomasso Bradde presented work on small-signal modeling of non-linear analog circuit blocks.

(Start time: 2:01:00, End time: 2:45:30)

**FREQUENCY-DEPENDENT PER-PORT RENORMALIZATION**

Chen, Sherman\*; Xu, Zhifei\*\* (Kandou Bus, \*UK, \*\*Switzerland)

[Presented by Chen, Sherman (Kandou Bus, UK)]

Sherman Chen presented work on improving the accuracy of COM and other eye metrics by using frequency dependent termination impedances extracted for the Tx and Rx. He compared the results to those obtained with current industry standard techniques based on constant reference impedances for the Tx and Rx terminations.

(Start time: 2:45:45, End time: 3:09:00)

**A PAM-4 BEHAVIORAL MODEL USING LAGUERRE-VOLTERRA FEED FORWARD NEURAL NETWORK AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION IN IBIS-AMI**

Wang, Xinying; Nguyen, Thong; Shutt-Ainé, José (University of Illinois, Urbana, USA)

[Presented by Wang, Xinying (University of Illinois, Urbana, USA)]

Xingying (Vincent) Wang presented work on using a Laguerre-Volterra model to reduce the number of parameters in a representation of a high speed communication link. A Feed Forward Neural Network was used to train the parameters, and the resulting model was implemented in IBIS-AMI. Vincent also reviewed the ezAMI software he had created to help model makers create AMI models. A link to this tool exists on the IBIS free tools page (<https://ibis.org/tools/>).

(Start time: 3:09:30, End time: 3:39:00)

**CLOSING REMARKS**

Randy Wolff thanked the presenters, the organizers of SPI 2021, and the IBIS Board for a good summit. He thanked Bob Ross in particular for all the work organizing the summit, reviewing presentations, and putting together the agenda. Randy said we hope to see everyone in person again next year.

(Start time: 3:39:15, End time: 3:41:00)

**NEXT MEETING**

The next IBIS Open Forum teleconference meeting will be held on May 14, 2021. The following teleconference meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 4, 2021.

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