

IBIS-AMI parameters in Matlab/Octave

Adge Hawes, IBM

IBIS summit, Jan 2013



IBM multi-dimensional parameters

- IBM IBIS-AMI models use multi-dimensional parameters
- Parameters may vary with
 - Corner (EC, WC, NC, BC)
 - VTR/VTT (1.20,1.05)
 - Gain (0, 5, 9, 12, 15, 20, 25)
 - PEAKF (00, 01, 10, 11)
 - etc.
- Spec sheet shows tables

RJ	EC	WC	NC	BC
1.20	230	220	180	150
1.05	240	230	190	160

- Need N-dimensional storage for processing

Why not use the (Format List) construction?

- The Format List construction has been used to select user parameters
- User must know which parameter to use
 - Data sheet as reference
- List is one-dimensional
- `(Format List 150 160 180 190 220 230 240)`

N-dimensional Matlab/Octave variable types

- Structures
 - Named fields
 - Mixed types
 - Similar to C struct
 - e.g. `param.name="txic";`
- Matrices
 - N-dimensional arrays
 - Numeric only
 - Generated with `[]`
 - Indexed with `()`
 - `value(3,4,1)=3.14;`
`val=[`
`230,220,180,150 ;`
`240,230,190,160`
`];`
- Character arrays
 - Vector of character strings
 - Strings are equal length (2D array of chars)
 - `corner(1)="Nominal";`
`corner(2)="Worst ";`
- Cells
 - N-dimensional arrays
 - Any type, mixed
 - Generated and Indexed with `{ }`
 - `var{1}=3.14;`
`var{2}="tx_ic.s4p";`

Example parameter

```
corners={"EC","WC","NC","BC"};
CORNERDIM=struct('var','{rxcorner}', 'mode', 'match' , 'case',
{corners});

RJRX=++n;
param(n).name='rjrx';
param(n).dim=CORNERDIM;
param(n).attr.Description='Random Jitter, estimated, fs' ;
param(n).attr.units="s";
param(n).attr.scale="f";
param(n).value=[
%   'EC', 'WC', 'NC', 'BC'
    264 , 264 , 215 , 194
];
```

Parameter structure fields

- `name`
 - Parameter name in config
 - Mandatory
- `attr`
 - Parameter attributes
 - Further subfields:
 - AML: Usage, Type, etc.
 - General: `units`, `scale`, etc.
- `comment`
 - Extra info that may be added to config
 - Note: not the same as “Description”
- `dim`
 - Dimension descriptors
- `value`
 - N-dimensional matrix or cell of values

The .dim field

- Describes each dimension of the value matrix
- Is an N-element vector (N= number of dimensions)
- Each element is a structure
 - var: The selection variable
 - mode: The method of matching selection variable
 - match
 - ladder
 - step
 - pwl
 - case: Values that are to be matched to the selection variable

Selection variables

```

corners={"EC","WC","NC","BC"}; CORNERSL=length(corners);
        [ EC , WC , NC , BC ]= enum;

param(n).name="txcorner";
param(n).attr.Description="User selected Tx corner";
param(n).attr.Type="String";
param(n).attr.Format="List";
param(n).attr.Usage="In";
param(n).attr.List=corners;

rates= [ 28.05e9, 25.78125e9, 14.025e9, 10.3125e9, 8.5e9, 6.25e9];
RATESL=length(rates);
        [ G28 , G25 , G14 , G10 , G8 , G6 ] = enum;
ratestr={ "28G" , "25G" , "14G" , "10G" , "8G" , "6G" };

AVTRs =[ 1.2 , 1.05 ];
AVTRstr={"1.20V", "1.05V"};AVTRSL=length(AVTRs);
        [ V120 , V105 ]=enum;

```


More complicated example

```

AVTRDIM = struct('var', '{AVTR}', ...
                'mode','ladder', ...
                'case',[1.05 1.20] );
GAINDIM=struct( 'var','{gain}', ...
                'mode','match', ...
                'case', {gains} );

param(4).name='RxDcD';
param(4).dim=[AVTRDIM,CORNERDIM,GAINDIM];
param(4).value = cat(3, ...
    [ 1  0  2  3 ; ...
      3  2  4  5 ], ...
    [ 0  0  1  1 ; ...
      1  1  2  2 ], ...
    [ 1  0  2  3 ; ...
      3  2  4  5 ] );

```

Parameter processing

- Octave(/Matlab) scripts both generate and process parameters
- Fully defined parameter can be converted to
 - IBM Internal simulator configuration (HSSCDR - .hss)
 - IBIS-AMI Dependency Tables (BIRD 150 - .ami)
 - Proprietary conditional expressions (BIRD 155 - .ami)
 - XML format
 - Documentation