



Anisotropic Substrates Variance for *IBIS-AMI Simulation*

Fluid Dynamics

Structural Mechanics

Electromagnetics

Systems and Multiphysics

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ANSYS High speed Challenges Today

- (1) High Speed Data Rate Issue
- (2) Anisotropic Substrates Variance
- (3) FEM solution to analysis Anisotropic Substrates Variance
- (4) Anisotropic Substrates Variance for IBIS-AMI Simulation
- (5) DOE Solution

ANSYS High speed IO Challenges Today

As serial links become faster and more complex, it is ever more challenging to model the silicon in an accurate and efficient manner.

Models/Simulator need to handle current challenges:

- Need to accurately handle very high data rates
- Simulate large number of bits to achieve low BER
- Non-linear, Time Variant Systems
- TX/RX equalization
- Specific Data patterns and coding schemes
- Non-convergence due to unstable models
- Channel Issue

ANSYS Circuit Simulation Issues with S-parameters

Passivity and Causality

- Though S-parameters from a physics-based extraction tool should always be passive and causal, measured S-parameters often exhibit problems due to noise
- State-space model for S-parameter data guarantees causality of the circuit simulator model
- Two passivity enforcement algorithms
 - Convex programming
 - Perturbation

ANSYS Check and Enforce Function

Check and Enforce passivity and causality











ANSYS Differential skew Problem



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Change degree angle of rotation









ANSYS IBIS-AMI and statistical eye analysis

- Use the final impulse response from AMI analysis to run statistical eye analysis
- Linear modifications (AMI Init) from Tx and Rx AMI models taken into account
- AMI GetWave functionality cannot be used for statistical analysis as it is a purely time domain function





Very similar to Fast Convolution

No backward dependency

Transmitter and receiver are based on user supplied libraries.

Channel is characterized with impulse response function(s)

All signals are sampled with the constant time step and handled in blocks.

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ANSYS Statistical Eye Analysis Result



ANSYS Circuit equalization techniques problem

CTLE Gain with PCIe3.0 Parameters



p1=p1 p2=8GHz z=pow(10,(gain1/20))*p1 gain=gain1

This example shows the response plot of a CTLE for PCIe 3.0 for different values of gain. Parameters of the CTLE component are:

1. 'p1' LF Pole = 2 GHz

4. 'gain' DC gain in dB = gain1



How to decide gain and pole value ??



- Set up the DOE to sweep through the models to calculate the eye height and eye width for these cases
- The portions of the channel containing the PCB was modeled using a fullwave 3D electromagnetic extraction tool. A dynamic EM file was used to capture the channel's behavior. There are several variations of this structure that we want to include in the sensitivity analysis.
- To illustrate the results of this sensitivity analysis, we present sweeping of two of the variables: Change degree angle of rotation and equalization parameters











•Parallel charts w Pareto Front display

ANSYS Why Response Surface Modeling?

- Response Surface Modeling enables the designer to model and consider all aspects of a high speed channel design. Fit a statistical model to outputs of the design as a function of the change in input variables. A DOE table is used to select design points to solve explicitly for and the statistical model so to speak, "fills in the gaps"
- Optimized conditions and worst case scenarios are obtainable within the set of all possible design combinations within a realistic simulation timeframe.
- For example, this case, consider 8 variables or "factors", if each variable has only 5 variations or "levels" we are looking at a huge number of possible combinations in order to find optimal solutions and or worst case scenarios.

Combinations =
$$Levels^{Factors} = 5^8!!!!$$

ANSYS Speed Issue – HPC solution









- In this presentation, we can see the anisotropic substrates variance of PCBs, it effects phase difference between the differential pair
- Simulations on both EM dynamic models and IBIS-AMI models are applied to produce eye diagrams to check channel variance performance
- Circuit equalization techniques are applied at the Tx and Rx receiver to improve channel performance
- It is more efficient to get best channel performance by DOE and HPC solution