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STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:

The description of how crosstalk is to be handled with respect to AMI models is unclear in the 5.0 version of the IBIS spec.

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STATEMENT OF THE RESOLVED SPECIFICATIONS:

On pg. 6, 180, and 185 change the section title for section 3.1.2.2 to "number\_of\_rows" from "row\_size".

On pg. 185, in section 3.1.1 replace these lines:

```
| long AMI_Init (double *impulse_matrix,  
|               long row_size,
```

with the following lines:

```
| long AMI_Init (double *impulse_matrix,  
|*              long number_of_rows,
```

Replace the following text in Section 3.1.2.1:

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| 3.1.2.1 impulse_matrix  
| =====  
|  
| 'impulse_matrix' is the channel impulse response matrix. The impulse values  
| are in volts and are uniformly spaced in time. The sample spacing is given  
| by the parameter 'sample_interval'.  
|  
| The impulse_matrix is stored in a single dimensional array of floating point  
| numbers which is formed by concatenating the columns of the impulse response  
| matrix, starting with the first column and ending with the last column. The  
| matrix elements can be retrieved/identified using  
|  
|     impulse_matrix[idx] = element (row, col)  
|     idx = col * number_of_rows + row  
|     row - row index , ranges from 0 to row_size-1  
|     col - column index, ranges from 0 to aggressors  
|  
| The first column of the impulse_matrix is the impulse response for the  
| primary channel. The rest are the impulse responses from aggressor drivers  
| to the victim receiver.
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| The AMI\_Init function may return a modified impulse response by modifying  
| the first column of impulse\_matrix. If the impulse response is modified,  
| the new impulse response is expected to represent the filtered response.  
| The number of items in the matrix should remain unchanged.  
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| The aggressor columns of the matrix should not be modified.

With the following text:

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| 3.1.2.1 impulse_matrix
| =====
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| * 'impulse_matrix' points to a memory location where the collection of
| * channel voltage impulse responses, called the "impulse response matrix",
| * is stored in the form of a single dimensional array of floating point
| * numbers. The impulse response values are uniformly spaced in time.
| * The sample spacing is given by the parameter 'sample_interval'.
| *
| * The first column of the impulse response matrix is the impulse response
| * for a through channel, a channel that serves as a communication path
| * between a transmitter/receiver pair. The rest of the columns contain the
| * impulse responses of crosstalk channels. Crosstalk channels describe
| * the paths between aggressor transmitters and victim receiver(s).
| * Transmitters which are not part of a through channel between a certain
| * transmitter/receiver pair are all considered aggressor transmitters with
| * respect to that through channel. The receiver of the through channel in
| * consideration is referred to as the victim receiver. The crosstalk
| * impulse responses may be placed into the impulse response matrix in any
| * order.
| *
| * The single dimensional array of 'impulse_matrix' is formed by concatenating
| * the columns of an impulse response matrix, starting with the first column
| * and ending with the last column. The matrix elements can be retrieved or
| * identified using the following relationships:
|
|     impulse_matrix[idx] = impulse response matrix element (row, col)
| *   idx = col * number_of_rows + row
| *   row: row index           ranges from 0 to number_of_rows-1
| *   col: column index        ranges from 0 to aggressors
| *
| * Each impulse response in the impulse response matrix must have the same
| * sample spacing and the same length.
| *
| * To include any crosstalk effects in the Reference Flows described in
| * this section of this specification, the crosstalk impulse responses
| * must be included in the 'impulse_matrix' and passed to the transmitter and
| * receiver AMI_Init functions. If present, any filtering in the transmitter
| * and/or receiver AMI_Init function(s) must also be applied to the crosstalk
| * impulse responses to properly account for the crosstalk effects.
| *
| * Note that the 'impulse_matrix' will contain a different set of crosstalk
| * impulse responses for the transmitter and receiver AMI_Init calls, even for
| * a transmitter/receiver pair of the same through channel. A transmitter's
| * AMI_Init function operates on those impulse responses which originate from
| * that transmitter, including the through channel and crosstalk channel
| * impulse responses. A victim receiver's AMI_Init function, on the other
| * hand, operates on all of those impulse responses which are received by
| * that victim receiver, including the through channel and crosstalk channel
| * impulse responses.
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| * As an illustration, consider a crosstalk analysis with five channels
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|* numbered 1 through 5, where channel 3 in the center is the through
|* channel of the transmitter/receiver pair Tx3/Rx3, and Rx3 is the
|* victim receiver. In this case channels 1, 2 and 4, 5 are the aggressor
|* channels with the aggressor transmitters Tx1, Tx2, Tx4 and Tx5. If the
|* five 'impulse_matrix'-es of the five transmitters' AMI_Init functions
|* contain the following data:
|*
|*
|*****
|*      impulse_matrix impulse_matrix
|*      column 1      column 2
|*
|*Tx1      IR1_1      IR1_3
|*Tx2      IR2_2      IR2_3
|*Tx3      IR3_3
|*Tx4      IR4_4      IR4_3
|*Tx5      IR5_5      IR5_3
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|*
|* then the 'impulse_matrix' passed into the victim receiver's (Rx3) AMI_Init
|* function will contain the following data:
|*
|*****
|*      impulse_matrix impulse_matrix impulse_matrix impulse_matrix impulse_matrix
|*      column 1      column 2      column 3      column 4      column 5
|*
|*Rx3 Tx3Init(IR3_3) Tx1Init(IR1_3) Tx2Init(IR2_3) Tx4Init(IR4_3) Tx5Init(IR5_3)
|*****
|*
|* where "IRi_j" represents the impulse response from the transmitter on
|* channel i to the receiver on channel j, Tx1Init() .. Tx5Init() represents
|* the output of a transmitter's AMI_Init function which modified the impulse
|* response denoted inside the parentheses. Note that while in this example
|* the 'impulse_matrix' of each transmitter's AMI_Init function contains at
|* most one crosstalk impulse response, the victim receiver's 'impulse_matrix'
|* contains four crosstalk impulse responses. Also, using the above notation
|* note that the first index number of each impulse response passed to the
|* transmitter's AMI_Init function matches the transmitter's channel number,
|* and the second index number of each impulse response passed to the
|* receiver's AMI_Init function matches the receiver's channel number.
|*
|* It is the EDA tool's responsibility to rearrange the content of the
|* 'impulse_matrix' between the transmitter and receiver AMI_Init calls.
|*
|* The EDA tool is also responsible to limit the number of crosstalk channel
|* impulse responses in 'impulse_matrix' so that they shall not exceed
|* 'Max_Init_Aggressors' as specified in the corresponding .ami parameter
|* file of the algorithmic model. Consequently, the 'aggressors' parameter
|* of the AMI_Init function shall never contain a greater value than the
|* value provided in 'Max_Init_Aggressors' of the corresponding .ami parameter
|* file. While the allocated memory space for 'impulse_matrix' may be larger,
|* it is assumed that there is no meaningful data in that space beyond the
|* last column of the impulse response matrix that is stored in it.
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|* The AMI_Init function must not change the size or organization of
|* 'impulse_matrix' that it was given in any way.
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ANALYSIS PATH/DATA THAT LED TO SPECIFICATION:

Discussion within the IBIS-ATM committee provided many important inputs to this BIRD. It was desirable to clarify that the impulse\_matrix columns

populated by the aggressor channels should include any impulse response modification that is to be made by the respective aggressor transmitters.

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ANY OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The following documents are provided as supporting material for this BIRD:

- "CrossTalk\_IRmatrix\_02.pdf", provided by Arpad Muranyi of Mentor Graphics  
[http://www.vhdl.org/pub/ibis/macromodel\\_wip/archive/20110331/arpadmuranyi/impulse\\_matrix%20and%20cross%20talk%20in%20IBIS-AMI/CrossTalk\\_IRmatrix\\_02.pdf](http://www.vhdl.org/pub/ibis/macromodel_wip/archive/20110331/arpadmuranyi/impulse_matrix%20and%20cross%20talk%20in%20IBIS-AMI/CrossTalk_IRmatrix_02.pdf)

- "CrossTalk.pdf", provided by Walter Katz of SiSoft  
[http://www.vhdl.org/pub/ibis/macromodel\\_wip/archive/20110308/walterkatz/Impulse%20Cross%20talk%20Matrix%20Explanation%20Using%20Touchstone%20Example/Crosstalk.pdf](http://www.vhdl.org/pub/ibis/macromodel_wip/archive/20110308/walterkatz/Impulse%20Cross%20talk%20Matrix%20Explanation%20Using%20Touchstone%20Example/Crosstalk.pdf)

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