

# Introducing IBIS 7.2



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- ❑ Technical Change: Reference Flow Improvements
- ❑ Technical Change: PAMn
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# History

- ❑ IBIS 7.1 was approved December 10, 2021
  - Two BIRDs were still open and unapproved at this point
- ❑ IBIS Editorial Task Group re-convened August 17, 2022
  - Known Issues and Draft 0 documents made available then
- ❑ Final Draft (#7) distributed January 18, 2023
- ❑ Approved as IBIS 7.2 January 27, 2023

Entire IBIS document revision flow took 163 days!

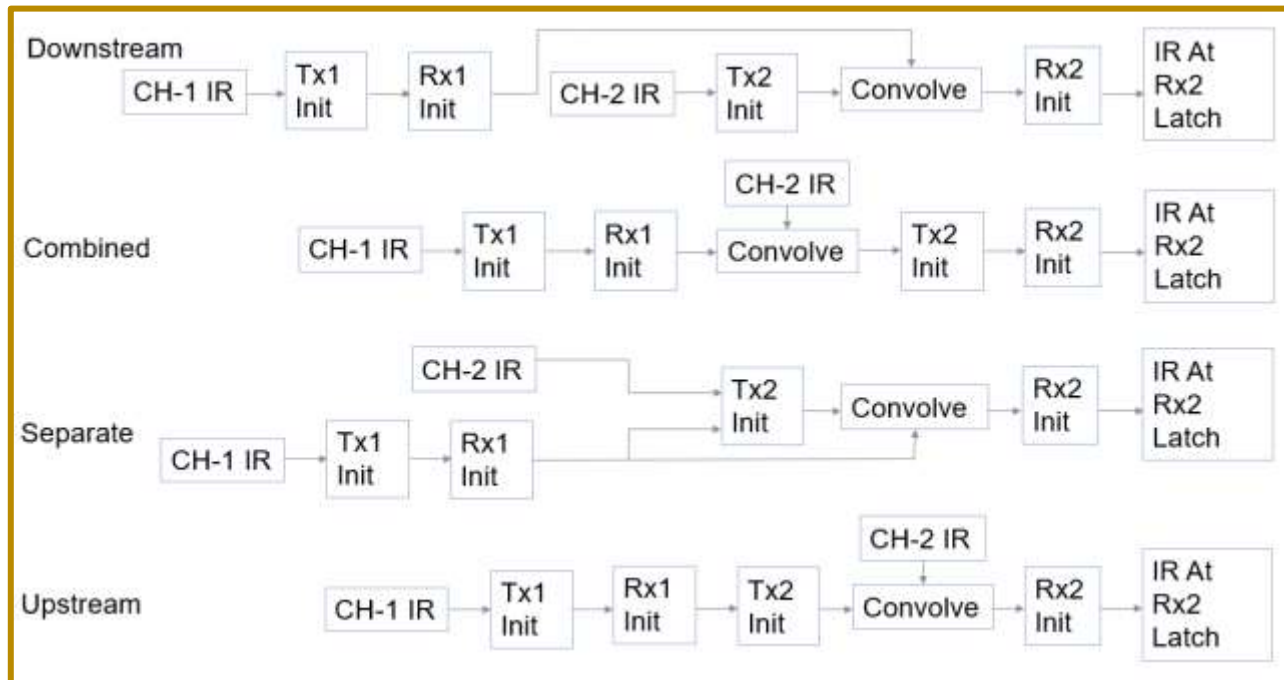
# Changes in IBIS 7.2

- ❑ Technical Changes
  - BIRD211.4 IBIS AMI Reference Flow Improvements
  - BIRD213.1 Extending IBIS-AMI for PAMn Analysis
  - BIRD217 Require Clocked Rx Models to Return Clock Times
  
- ❑ Clarifications
  - BIRD219.1 AMI Parameter Root Name Clarifications
  - BIRD221 AMI\_parameters\_in Clarification
  - BIRD222 Clock Times Clarifications
  
- ❑ Other
  - BIRD216 Alphanumeric Pin Names
  - BIRD218 Designator Pin List Relaxation

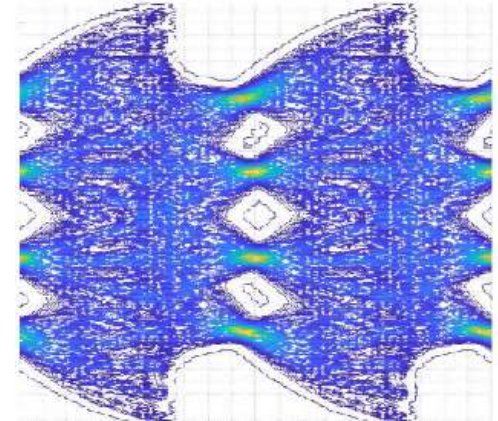
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# Reference Flow Changes

- Repeater (viz. Redriver) flows have been clarified
  - Changes to the pre-Redriver channel response and the Redriver device itself should appear at the final Rx device during AMI\_Init
  - Defines new reserved parameter **Tx\_Impulse\_Input** to identify what the AMI\_Init impulse response includes



# PAM<sub>n</sub>

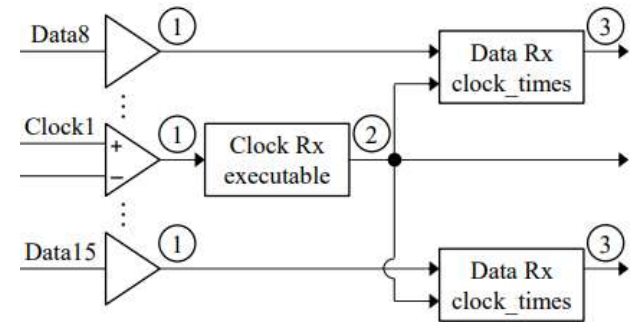


- ❑ IBIS 7.1 supports PAM4
  - Four independent signaling levels in the same bit-time
  - For context, NRZ is “PAM2”
- ❑ PAM<sub>n</sub> is the general case, to help future-proof IBIS
  - USB 4.0 targets PAM3; other PAM variations are likely in future
- ❑ The changes in IBIS 7.2 support older PAM4 parameters for backwards-compatibility while creating expanded alternatives
  - New parameters Modulation\_Levels, PAM\_Thresholds, and PAM\_Offsets
  - Thresholds indicate voltage levels for symbols, while offsets modify sampling
  - Thresholds and Offsets are **outputs** from the RX model to the EDA tool

IBIS 7.2 generalizes PAM for an unbounded number of levels

# Clocked Model Changes

- IBIS 7.1 introduced clocked AMI models
  - Intended for single-ended (DDR) support
  - Defines clock AMI models and supports using clock information to latch data into models in the same simulation
  - In 7.2, these clock models must provide clock time outputs

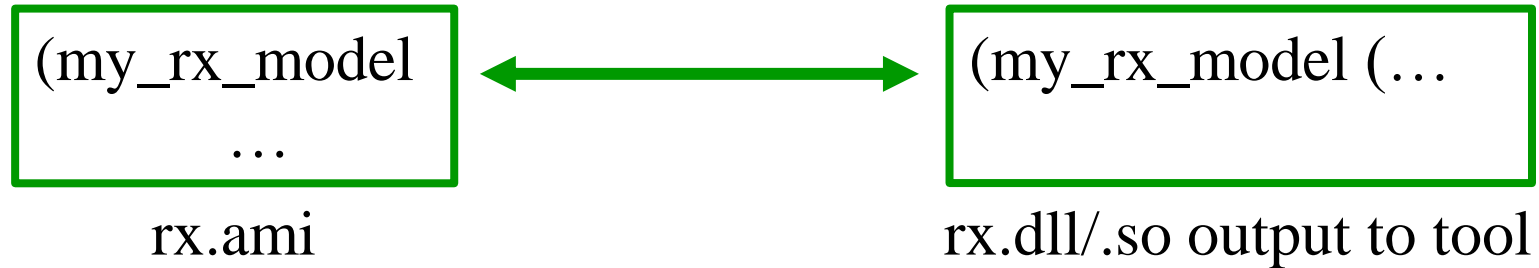


- Ambiguities in IBIS 7.1 clarified in 7.2
  - The `clock_times` argument of `AMI_GetWave` can actually be an output or an input
    - As an input, Wave or Times may be used as specified in Rx\_Use\_Clock\_Input*

IBIS 7.2 adds significant detail to clocked AMI approach

# Other Clarifications and Improvements

- ❑ Root Names in AMI files and executables shall match



- ❑ Tools should pass Usage In and InOut parameters/values to models (not all parameters)
- ❑ [Pin] names are only alphanumeric
- ❑ EMD [Designator Pin List]s need not list every pin on a component

... plus numerous minor grammatical and typographical improvements



# Summary

- ❑ IBIS 7.2 has been approved as of January 27, 2023
  - ... after just under six months of draft development
- ❑ Eight BIRDs included
  - First of these (BIRD211) submitted March 21, 2021
  - Last of these (BIRD222) approved December 9, 2022 (628 days)
- ❑ Next step: IBISCHK7, Version 7.2.0

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