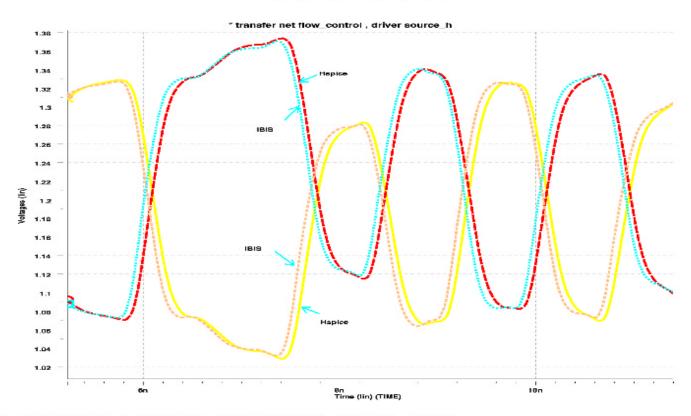
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IBIS QUALITY COMMITTEE UPDATE/ PRACTICAL USE OF IQ CHECKLIST

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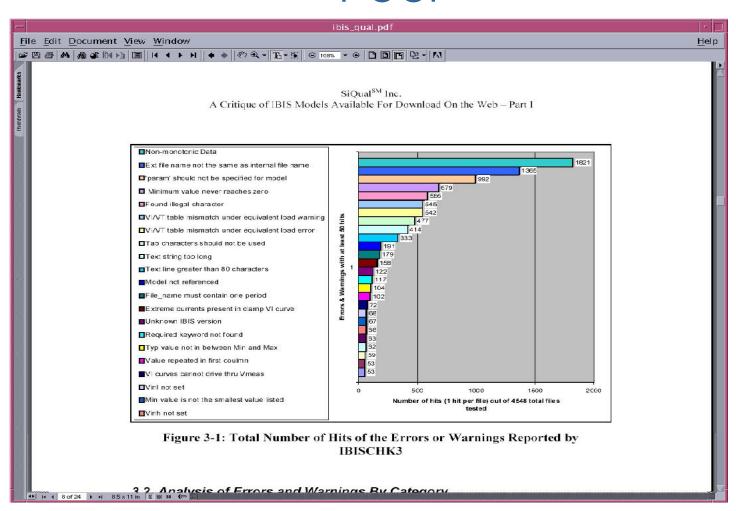
IBIS Models Can Be Awesome! Accurate LVDS IBIS Model @ 1.25GHz



SPI4 interface: 1.25GHz, target pad, VDDQ=2.375



But Generally IBIS Model Quality is Poor





IBIS Quality Subcommittee

- Formed 3/02
- Charter
 - Develop a complete checklist
 - Establish levels of quality
 - This checklist should serve to be incorporated directly into procurement specs.
 - Suggest enhancements to IBISCHK

Goals

- Rating system that is easy to understand and adopt
- Communicate to vendors/users.
- Cover overall file, component, and model sections
- Check for completeness, correctness, accuracy
- Leverage of prior work



IBIS Quality Subcommittee Active participants

 Committee is represented by semiconductor vendors, EDA vendors, and IBIS end-users.

SiSoft - Barry Katz (Chairman), Robert Haller, Eric Brock, Kevin Fisher Siemens – Eckhard Lenski, Katja Koller IBM – Greg Edlund Cadence – Lynne Green Apple – John Figueroa, Kim Helliwell Mentor – Bob Ross, Hazem Hegazy, Sherif Hammad, Cisco – Mike LaBonte, Todd Westerhoff EMC – Brian Arsenault Hitachi ULSI Systems – Shoji Kazuyoshi, Nonoyama Sadahiro Leventhal Design & Communications – Roy Leventhal Intel – Benjamin Silva Teraspeed - Tom Dagostino AMCC - Peter LaFlamme Fairchild – Adam Tambone



IBIS Quality Subcommittee

- Meets every 2 weeks (Tuesdays 9:00 EDT)
- Mailing list
 - Ibis-quality@freelists.org
 - http://www.freelists.org/archives/ibis-quality
- Important Web Sites
 - http://www.sisoft.com/ibis-quality
 - http://www.sisoft.com/ibis-quality/minutes
 - http://www.sisoft.com/ibis-quality/docs
 - http://www.vhdl.org/pub/ibis/bugs/ibischk
- Reviewing and updating documentation



IBIS Quality Example Agenda

- Roll call
- Review of previous meeting minutes
- Announcements
 - EIA Call for patent disclosure
 - Upcoming conferences
- Action item (AR) review
- Open for new items
- Detailed documentation review
 - IQ_Quality_Summary
 - IQ_General_Header.txt
- Plans and schedule for next meeting



Status Update

- Compiled and published IBIS Quality checklist
 - http://www.sisoft.com/ibis-quality/
- Defined quality levels
 - Level 0 Passes IBISCHK
 - Level 1 Complete and correct
 - Level 2a, 2b Correlation: Simulation, Measurement
 - Leverage off of IBIS Accuracy Handbook (spec)
 - Level 3 All of the above
- Submitted multiple IBISCHK enhancements
- Submitted IBIS Golden Parser open source proposal
- Created, indexed first pass of documentation
- Presently working through documentation



IQ_Quality_Summary Example Documentation

- The IBIS Quality Summary comments must begin with the string '| IQ' (that is, the comment character followed by "IQ" for IBIS Quality).
 - **√** ...
 - ✓ IBISCHK must yield 0 Errors
 - ✓ IBISCHK warnings must be explained if they cannot be elimininated.
 - ✓ Vil/Vih must be defined on receivers
 - ✓ Standard Load/Vmeas must be specified on drivers
 - ✓ Overshoots must be defined for drivers and receivers
 - ✓ Checks for correctness and completeness
 - ✓ All pins defined and validated for correct
 - **√** ...



IQ Documentation Index

1.0 IQ Header Section Kim Helliwell

Summarizes quality for File,

2.0 General File Characteristics Todd Westerhoff

Passes and Document version of IBISCHK

Goal zero errors and zero warnings

3.0 Component Section Barry Katz

4.0 Model Section

4.1 General Lynne Green

4.2 Pullup/Pulldown/Clamp IV curves Robert Haller

4.3 VT Curves - Barry Katz

4.4 Ramp Data, Waveform processing

5.0 Possible Errors that should be checked -

6.0 Correlation

6.1 SPICE correlation

6.2 Lab Correlation

7.0 Model Limitations - Barry Katz

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Mike LaBonte

Eckard Lenski

Greg Edlund

IQ Summary

- Accurate IBIS models are achievable
- IBIS Quality subcommittee is driving the industry for improved IBIS model quality!
- Accomplished a lot
 - Checklist
 - Levels
 - IBISchk3 bug submissions/proposals
 - 1st Pass documentation and index
- To Do
 - Complete documentation
 - Industry acceptance

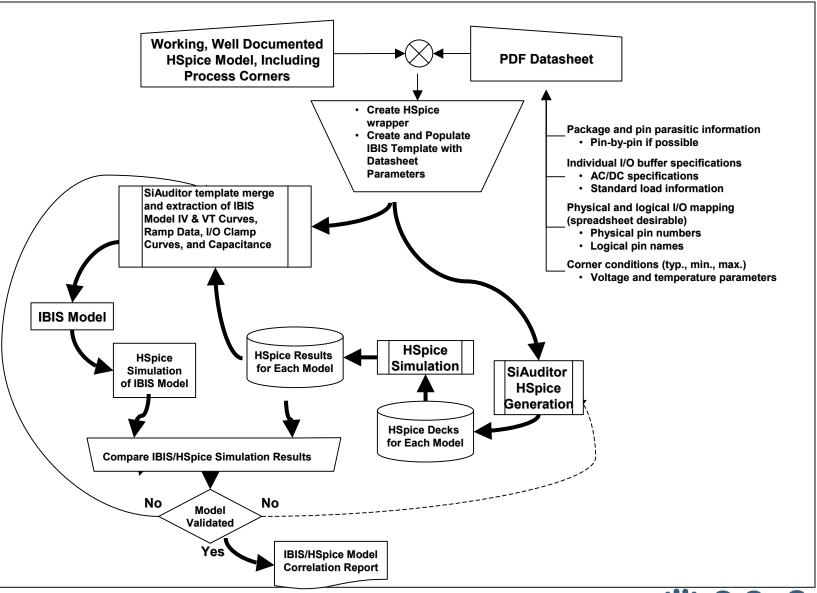


SISOFT Practical Use of IQ Checklist

- SISOFT practices what it preaches
- Automatic IBIS model Generation
- Compare SPICE to IBIS
- Obtain and insert Model and Model Spec
 - Document IBISCHK issues
 - Document source data
- Generate Accurate Pin list
- Independent Double checks
- Complete Model Documentation



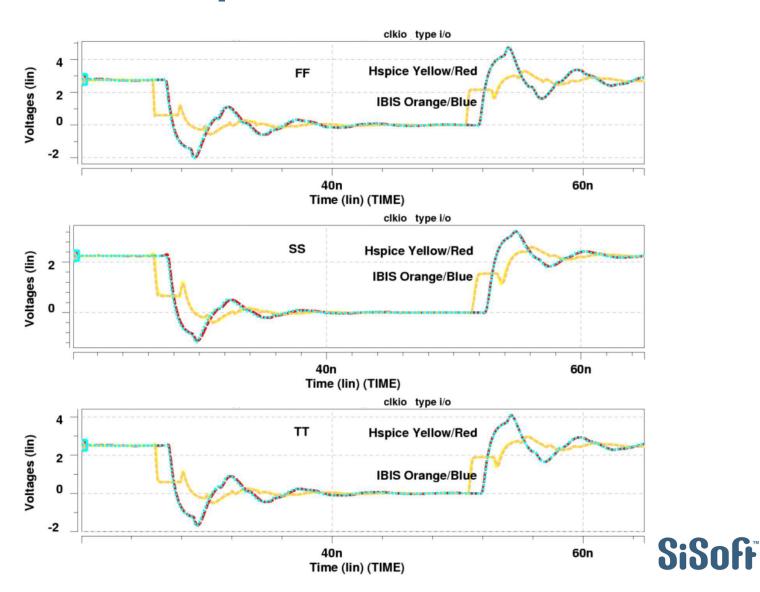
Utilize an Automatic process



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Compare SPICE to IBIS



Example IBISCHK3 Issues Documented in .IBS File

- All I/O Models: When running through ibischk3, this file will contain 9 warnings about pullup and pulldown curves being non-monotonic. This is due to a bug in the ibischk parser. The IBIS Parser only looks at the pullup and pulldown, not at the combined curves, pullup and clamps or pulldown and clamps
- Running Latest verision of ibischk3 will yield 12 warnings
 - 9 pullup and pulldown Non-monotonic warnings (OK Parser Bug)
 - 1 C_comp min value is not the smallest value listed (OK by design)
 - 1 C_Comp max value is not the largest value listed (OK by design)
 - 1 Vmeas should not be specified for Model typ input (OK Parser Bug)
- Source data of IBIS Models
 - Pinlist data is from Spreadsheet dated 01/01/03 from XXX
 - SPICE MODELS dated 01/01/2003 from YYY
 - PDF specifications dated 11/28/2001 from YYY
 - Package Parameter are from SI report 11/15/02 from YYY

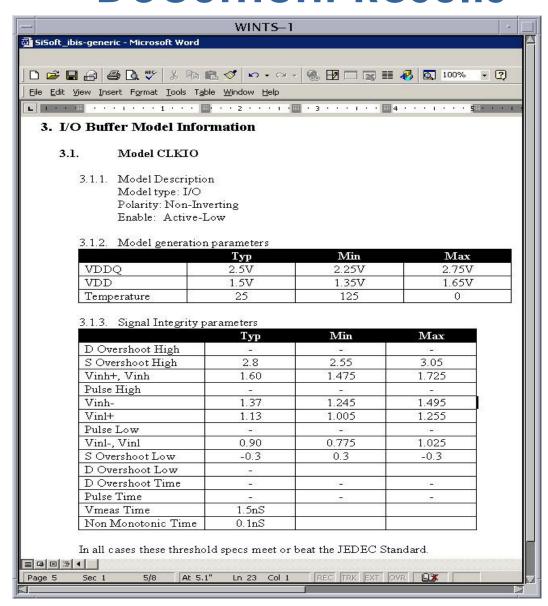


Double Checks

- Cross check of consistency between library elements, such as:
 - IBIS models
 - Timing models
 - Net lists
- IBISCHK3
- IBIS Simulations Run
- Independent check of IV,VT Pin list Model Specs
- We call it Validation
 - Automated checking with SiAuditor
 - Manual check by experienced engineers



Document Results





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