# SCMR (signal to common mode ratio) for Channels d2.0 Comments 49, 50

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### Abstract

#### Proposal

- Introduce SCMR\_CH (signal to common mode ratio for channels) and interconnect.
- Rational
  - The current COM model emphasizes Sdd21 but may overlook common-mode conversion effects, potentially allowing marginal channels to pass simulation while failing in real-world applications.
  - SCMR\_CH is intended to
    - Limit channel inter pair skew
    - Limit skew based signal asymmetric distortion
    - Limit other channel comment mode impairments

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## Interoperability

Parts pass COM which fail in a real-world system.

- Skew contributes to common-mode conversion, alongside other imbalances.
- COM specifies a minimum differential performance
- S-parameters passed to COM can include the skew and other common mode effects. So, the effect of skew for a given channel is included in COM.
- The effects of skew or common mode entering a channel is weakly controlled with the following
  - Signal to AC common-mode noise ratio, SCMR (min)
  - Common-mode to common-mode return loss, RL<sub>cc</sub> (min)
- □ The next slide diagrams a skew impact scenario

## **Skew Impact on Interoperability**



- □ An upper limit for skew for the reference packages may be determined from Signal to AC common-mode noise ratio, SCMR (min)
- □ If skew is included in COM, how significantly does it alter the computed COM between configurations A and B?
- □ Another question is how does the channel interact with the skew and can that be controlled with SCMR for the channels (ref: mellitz\_3dj\_02\_elec\_231207)

### **2023 Presentation on Skew and SCMR**

 $mellitz\_3dj\_02\_elec\_231207$ 

- Consider the channel is LTI an usually passive.
- The pulse response from a pattern averaged signal on an LTI network approaches the computed pulse response of the network.
- Signal and noise power is computed from the pulse responses.
- Compute SCMR by combining pulse response metrics from SNDR and noise variance like for ERL

#### **Apply SCMR to a Channel**



# **SCMR**<sub>ch</sub> Quantifies Signal Integrity Degradation Due to CM conversion

- □ It starts by evaluating pulse DD and CD pulse responses and determines the ratio of signal power to common-mode power
- CM noise power is handledd similarly to refection noise power in ERL.
- Diagram on next slides

## **SCMR Step 1: Pulse Responses**

Determine signal and CM sampled pulse responses



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### **Step 2: Compute SCMR**<sub>ch</sub>



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# Also, consider $SCMR_{CH_{FQ}}$ computed in the frequency domain

□ Like SNR<sub>MDFEXT</sub>

 $\Box SCMR_{CH\_FQ} = 10log_{10} \left( \frac{\hat{P}_{signal}}{\hat{\sigma}_{scd21}^2 \sigma_x^2 Q^{-1} (DER_0)^2} \right)$ •  $\hat{P}_{signal} = 2\Delta f \sum w(f) 10^{-IL(f)} / 10^{-IL(f)}$ , Normalized signal power •  $\hat{\sigma}_{scd21}^2 = 2\Delta f \sum w(f) S_{cd21}^2$ ,Normalized common mode power  $w(f) = \frac{1}{f_b} sinc \left(\frac{f}{f_b}\right)^2 \left[\frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{f}{f_f}\right)^4}\right] \left[\frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{f}{f_f}\right)^8}\right] \dots \text{ from eq. (93A-57) note: } f_{\text{tf}}, f_{\text{t}}, f_{\text{t}}, f_{\text{t}}, and f_{\text{t}} are assumed to be the same$  $IL(f) = -20log_{10}(|sdd21(f)|)$  $\sigma_x^2 = \frac{(L^2 - 1)}{3(L - 1)^2}$  ...note: L is number of PAM levels  $1/Q^{-1}(DER_0)$  aligns RMS to DER<sub>0</sub>

# SCMR is computed COM from branch Called SCMR

In Richard Mellitz Git Fork

SCMR\_ch\_dB and SCMR\_ch\_fq\_dB are output in COM branch SCMR

□ Pointer to a single COM code file

- <u>https://opensource.ieee.org/richard.mellitz/com\_code/-</u> /raw/SCMR/release/com\_ieee8023\_4p9p1\_SCMR.m?ref\_type=heads&inline= false
- Pointer to spread sheets templates used
  - <u>https://opensource.ieee.org/richard.mellitz/com\_code/-</u> /tree/SCMR/config\_templates/testing\_SCMR?ref\_type=heads

### **Context: Estimate Maximum Device Skew**



- □ Signal to AC common-mode noise ratio, SCMR (min) is 15 dB
  - Based of using Vpeak
- □ Not all contributions to SCMR (min) are from skew
- □ For the reference package, skew it would be limited to a about 1.5 ps
  - No other CM impairments are considered
- □ Skew (delay) is highly correlated to SCMR
- □ This sets the bounds for the next step of experiments

## **COM and SCMR experiments**

- □ For collection of channels (see backup for list)
  - These files have varying amount of common mode
  - 30 mm package
  - Includes crosstalk
- Add varying amounts of skew (ideal delay) to the s4p files (ref: mellitz\_3dj\_02\_elec\_231207)
  - This can be done in COM with the keywords Txpskew, Txnskew, Rxpskew, and Rxnskew
  - For this experiment only Txpskew is used.

Determine COM, SCMR\_ch\_dB, SCMR\_ch\_fq\_dB, and delta COM for each skew

- Define delta COM(delay) = COM(delay=0)- COM(delay)
- □ Evaluate delta COM to SCMR\_CH, SCMR\_CH\_FD, COM, and skew

# Skew (delay) is added before COM example code computations



□ The new Sdd is used to compute COM

- □ The new Sdd and Scd are used to compute SCMR\_ch
- □ The new Sdd is used to compute all the FD parameter too

### Skew is added in COM as an ideal sparameter delay.



- In this experiment skew is added to one side of the Tx channels
- □ The COM zero-delay case is COM of the channel.
- □ SCMR and COM change drastically when delay introduced

## Large Skew Greatly Affects Delta COM

**Delta COM increases with skew.** 

#### **Relatively flat distribution of COM**



This amount of skew is not likely

#### **Reconsider with skew below 2.6 ps**

# The effect of skew is different for different channels



# The effect of skew is different for different channels (cont'd)

![](_page_17_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Initial recommendation: Set SCMR\_ch\_dB (min) = 18.5 dB based on observed delta COM stabilization below 0.3 dB for skew < 1.5 ps

Dark color is Delta COM with < 1.5 ps skew

Control delta com to +/- 0.3 dB relative to SCMR\_ch\_dB with zero skew

Previous data indicated larger delta COM was associated with > 5 dB COM

Count

SCMR\_ch\_dB with corresponding zero skew

i.e. Actual SCMR of channel (from ~ 100 Channels)

![](_page_18_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### More data

#### Allowing for 0.7 dB guard band SCMR\_CH\_fq would be 12 dB

![](_page_19_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_19_Figure_3.jpeg)

# Summary

- □ Add section for SCMR<sub>ch</sub> computation in COM as a channel metric
- **□** Recommend:

 $SCMR_{ch}$  (min) =18.5 dB (TD) or  $SCMR_{ch_{fq}}$  (min) =12 dB (FD)

- SCMR<sub>ch</sub> enhances COM by bounding skew-induced CM conversion effects
- □ Future work: Investigate SCMR<sub>ch</sub> post-equalization

# **Thank You!**

### **Back up**

## **Channels Sets**

- □ akinwale\_3dj\_01\_2311
- □ kocsis\_3dj\_02\_2305
- □ lim\_3dj\_03n04\_2306205
- □ mellitz\_3dj\_02\_elec\_230504
- □ weaver\_3dj\_02\_2303
- □ weaver\_3dj\_02\_2305
- □ weaver\_3dj\_02\_2311
- □ weaver\_3dj\_elec\_01\_230622a

### **COM template sheet (see GITLAB)**

Values and settings in the spread sheet may not be align with a standard. Please check before using													
data rate, die load, ref impedance					I/O control			Operational			SAVE_CONFIG2MAT	0	
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information	DIAGNOSTICS	1	logical	ERL Pass threshold	11	dB			Receiver testing	•
f_b	106.25	GBd		DISPLAY_WINDOW	1	logical	COM Pass threshold	3	db		RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
f_min	0.05	GHz		CSV_REPORT	0	logical	DER_0	2.00E-04			Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		RESULT_DIR	.\results\CAKR_{date}		T_r	0.00400	ns			ICN parameters	
C_d	[0.4e-4 0.9e-4 1.1e-4;0.4e-4 0.9e-4 1.1e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	FORCE_TR	1	logical	for legacy but required	T_t	6.000	ps
L_s	[0.13 0.15 0.14; 0.13 0.15 0.14]	nH	[TX RX]	Port Order	[1324]		PMD_type	C2C	for MMSE use C2C only		f_v	0.371	39.42
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	RUNTAG	KR_pkgA_		EW	1			T_ft	4.250	ps
R_0	50	Ohm		COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical	MLSE	1	logical		T_nt	4.250	ps
PKG_NAME	PKG_HIR_CLASSB PKG_HIR_CLASSB		TX RX	DO_NOT_COMPUTE_COM	4 O	logical	ts_anchor	1			f_f	0.524	55.65
z_p select	[34]			TDR	and ERL options		sample_adjustment	[ -16 16]			f_n	0.524	55.65
L	4			TDR	1	logical	Local Search	0			f_1	0.010	GHz
M	32			ERL	1	logical	TS_SRCH_MODE	middle	full-sweep, middle	only of local_search=2	f_2	67.000	GHz
filter and Eq				ERL_ONLY	0	ns			Filter: Rx FFE		A_ft	0.600	V
f_r	0.55	*fb		TR_TDR	0.005		ffe_pre_tap_len	6	UI	d_w	A_nt	0.600	V
c(0)	0.54		min	N	7000	logical	ffe_post_tap_len	8	UI	N_fix-d_w			
c(-1)	0	[-0.34:.02:0]	[min:step:max]	TDR_Butterworth	1		ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.7	(normalized)	w_max(d_w) and -w_min(d_w)	Parameter	Setting	
c(-2)	0	[ 0.14:.02:0]	[min:step:max]	beta_x	0		ffe_post_tap1_max	0.7	(normalized)	w_max(d_w+2) and -w_min(d_w+2)	board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 5.95e-4 2.6e-05]	1.4 db/in @ 53.125G
c(-3)	0		[min:step:max]	rho_x	0.618		ffe_tapn_max	0.7	(normalized)	all other fixed w_max and w_min	board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
c(-4)	0		[min:step:max]	TDR_W_TXPKG	0	UI	num_ui_RXFF_noise	4096			board_Z_c	92.5	Ohm
c(1)	0	[-0.2:.02:0]	[min:step:max]	N_bx	16	??			Floating Tap Control		z_bp (TX)	9	mm
N_b	1	UI		fixture delay time	[00]		N_bg	2	0 1 2 or 3 groups	N_wg	z_bp (NEXT)	9	mm
b_max(1)	0.85		As/dffe1	Tukey_Window	1		N_bf	4	taps per group	N_wf	z_bp (FEXT)	9	mm
b_max(2N_b)	0		not used	Z_t	42.5		N_f	80	UI span for floating taps	Nmax-d_w-1	z_bp (RX)	9	mm
b_min(1)	0		As/dffe1	Nois	e, jitter	UI	bmaxg	0.05	max FFE value for floating taps	all floating w_max and w_min	C_0	[00]	nF
b_min(2N_b)	0	S	not used	sigma_RJ	0.01	UI	N_tail_start	9	(UI) start of tail taps limit	not supposed to be used but untested	C_1	[00]	nF
g_DC	0	dB	[-20:1:0]	A_DD	0.02	V^2/GHz			added skew		Include PCB	0	logical
f_z	42.50	GHz		eta_0	1.00E-08	dB	Txpskew	0	ps				
f_p1	42.50	GHz	ļ	SNR_TX	33.5		Txnskew	0	ps				
f_p2	106.25	GHz		R_LM	0.95		Rxpskew	0	ps				
g_DC_HP	[-6:1:0]		[min:step:max]				Rxnskew	0	ps				
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz											

.START	PKG_HIR_CLASSB		
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information
package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[ 0.0005 0.00065 0.000293 ]		
package_tl_tau	0.006141	ns/mm	
package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 95 95 ; 100 100; 78 78]	Ohm	
R_d	[ 46.25 46.25]	Ohm	[TX RX]
z_p (TX)	[ 8 24 30 45; 2 2 2 2; 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3; 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (NEXT)	[ 8 24 29 44; 2 2 2 2; 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3; 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (FEXT)	[ 8 24 30 45 ; 2 2 2 2; 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 ; 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 ]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (RX)	[ 8 24 29 44 ; 2 2 2 2; 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 ; 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 ]	mm	[test cases]
C_p	[0.4e-4 0.4e-4]	nF	[TX RX]
A_v	0.385	V	Vf=0.400
A_fe	0.385	V	Vf=0.399
A_ne	0.481	V	Vf=0.400
.END			