



# simDM ACT BCI Simulation

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# Introduction

- This presentation evaluates the performance of an ACT low data rate (camera) receiver in the presence of simulated Bulk Current Injection (BCI)
- The simulation is based on simulation framework presented in a separate presentation ([jonsson\\_3dm\\_01\\_12\\_19\\_24.pdf](#)), and the simulation code is provided for reference and to allow more thorough review
- The simulation assumes
  - 30mV peak voltage for each tone, based on the worse 2m case from [Pischl\\_3dm\\_01a\\_1124.pdf](#)
  - The good 15m cable from [jonsson\\_3dm\\_02\\_09\\_15\\_24.pdf](#) (note that BCI tests are normally conducted on about 2m cables)

# Simulation Details

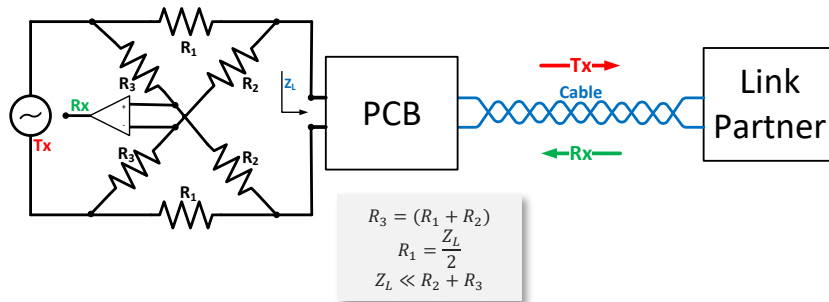
- The simulation uses a 22.5GHz sampling rate to represent analog signals, and analog signal levels are represented in Volts
- The simulation includes echo from the High Data Rate (HDR) transmitter
- The HDR path transmits at 2.5Gbps, because it causes the maximum echo into the LDR receiver
- The simulation combines the PCB echo and the Hybrid echo path into single filter in the `pcb.echo_filter`
- The simulation results in this presentation are captured as eye diagrams, to more clearly show how little impact the injected tones have at the LDR receiver

# Modeling Hybrid as Simple Resistor Bridge

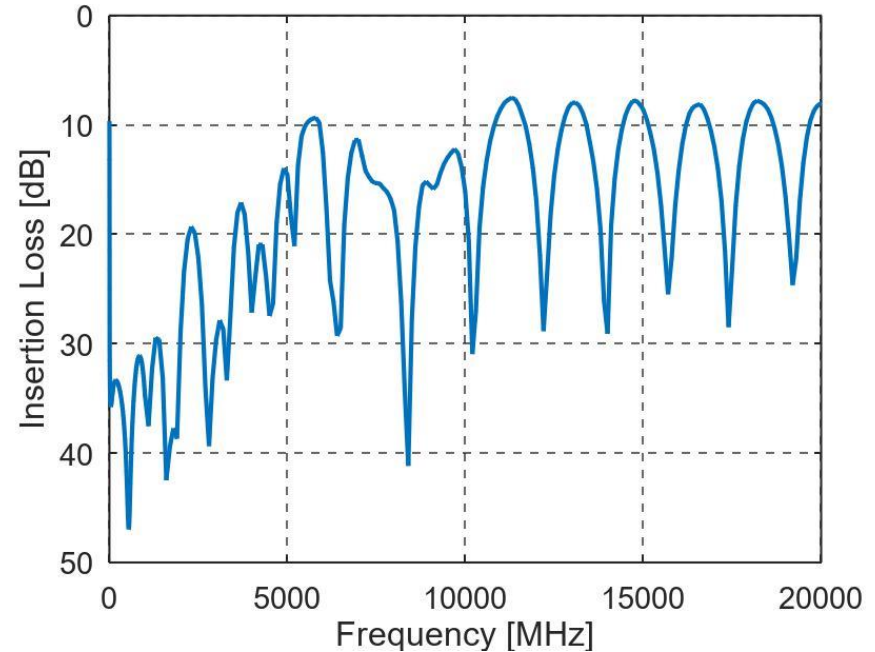
- Hybrid can be modeled as a simple resistor bridge (see figure below)
- For the simulation the transfer function from Tx to Rx is calculated as

$$H(f) \approx \frac{Z_L(f)}{2R_1 + Z_L(f)} - \frac{1}{2}$$

where  $R_1 = 50\Omega$  for differential mode.



Hybrid echo transfer function



# MATLAB Code for ACT simDM Simulation of BCI

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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Simple simulation of Bulk Current Injection and ACT camera receiver
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% This is simulation code provided to help with the development of
% IEEE 802.3dm.
%
% This code is provided for reference to allow independent evaluation
% of the accuracy and applicability of the simulation results shared in
% IEEE 802.3dm presentations by the author.
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%% simulate 100M/2.5G link %%
hdr_rate = 2.5;
is_coax = 1;
pcb_cutoff = 10;
ldr_symbols = 100;

%% load "good" cable from jonsson_3dm_02_09_15_24 %%
load jonsson_3dm_02_09_15_24_good.mat

%% load hybrid model %%
load jonsson_e241216b_hybrid_echo.mat

%% configure simulation variables %%
t = [1:(192*ldr_symbols)]/22.5e9;
t200 = [0:(192-1)]/22.5e9;
print_plot = 1;

%% define test cases %%
f_tones = [0:25:400];
N_tones = length(f_tones);
A = 30;
for n = 1:N_tones,
    f_t = f_tones(n);
    noise_cases{n,1} = sprintf('state.out = %f*sin(t*2*pi*f*1e6)', A/1000, f_t);
    noise_cases{n,2} = sprintf('dmV tone at %dMHz', A, f_t);
end

%% loop over all test cases %%
N = length(noise_cases);
for m = 1:N,
    %% create new simulation instance %%
    act = simDM_ACT(hdr_rate, is_coax, pcb_cutoff);

    %% configure the hybrid echo filter %%
    act.dut.pcb.echo_filter.b = h_hybrid_echo;

    %% configure the channel model %%
    act.channel.p11.b = h11;
    act.channel.p12.b = h12;
    act.channel.p22.b = h22;
    act.channel.p21.b = h21;

    %% no AFE internal noise in this simulation %%
    act.dut.afe.noise.eval = 'state.out = 0.000*randn(size(x));';
    act.lkp.afe.noise.eval = 'state.out = 0.000*randn(size(x));';

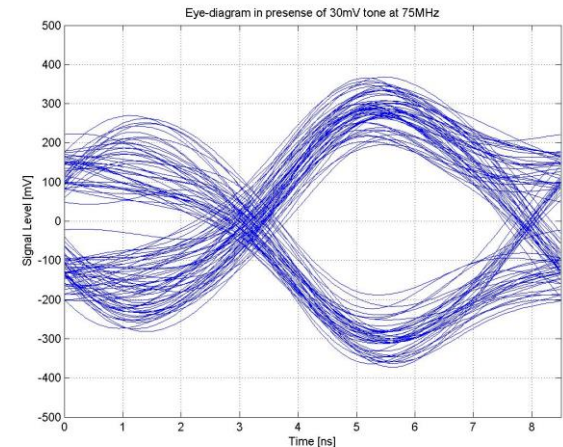
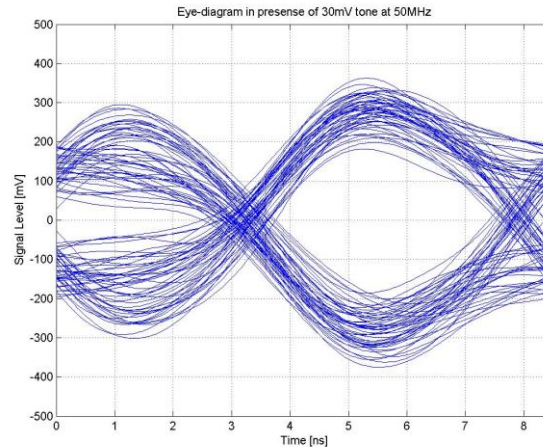
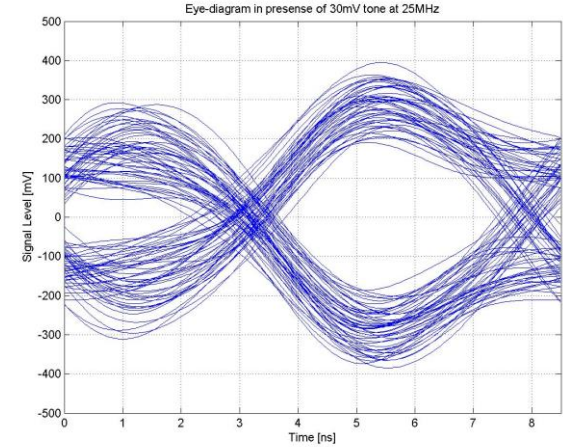
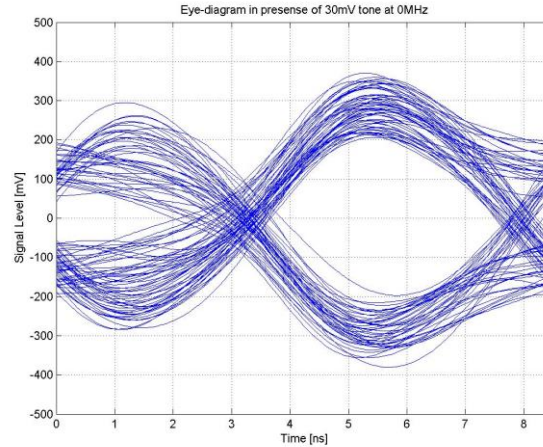
    %% configure noise generator for the DUT %%
    act.dut.pcb.noise.eval = noise_cases{m,1};

    %% run 4 rounds of 100 LDR symbols %%
    for n = 1:4,
        lkp_tx_symbol = round(rand(1, ldr_symbols))*2-1;
        dut_tx_symbol =
            floor(3.99999*rand(1, act.ldr_oversampling*ldr_symbols/act.ldr_oversampling))*2-3;
        act = link(act, lkp_tx_symbol, dut_tx_symbol);
    end

    %% plot the eye-diagram for each test run %%
    figure
    ldr_out_oversampling = length(act.dut.afe.rx_out)/ldr_symbols;
    plot(t200(1:(1/act.dut.afe.adc_sampling.rate):end)*1e9, reshape(act.dut.afe.rx_out, ldr_out_oversampling, ldr_symbols)*1e3, 'b')
    xlabel('Time [ns]')
    ylabel('Signal Level [mV]')
    grid
    axis([0 8.5 -500 500]);
    title(sprintf('Eye-diagram in presense of %s', noise_cases{m,2}));
    if(print_plot)
        %print(sprintf('%s_eye_%s_%dMHz.jpg', mfilename(), strrep(noise_cases{m,2}, ' ', '_-')))
        %saveas(gcf, sprintf('%s_eye_%s_%dMHz.jpg', mfilename(), strrep(noise_cases{m,2}, ' ', '_-')), 'jpg')
    end
end
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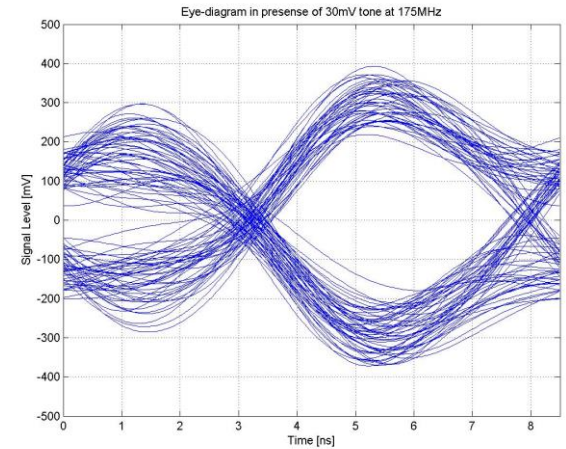
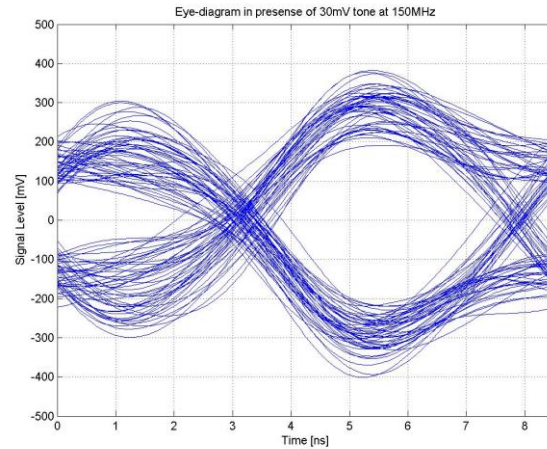
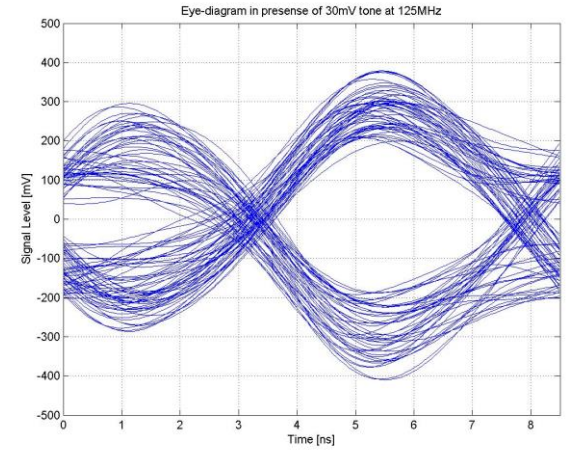
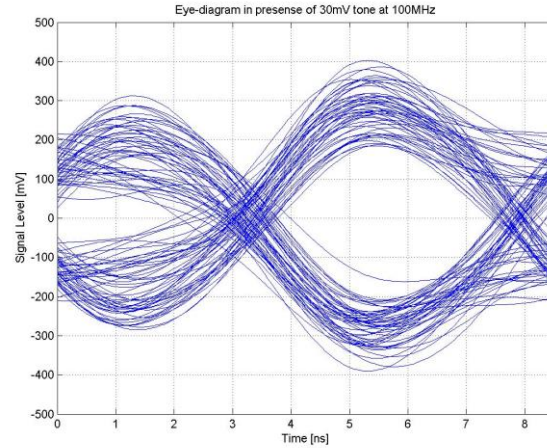
# Eye-diagram 0 - 75MHz

- Eye is clearly open in all cases



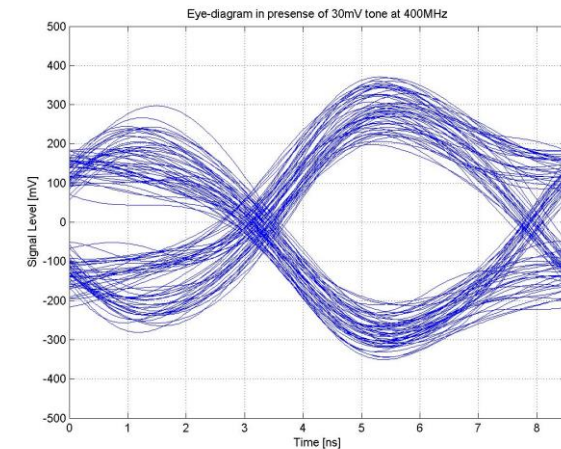
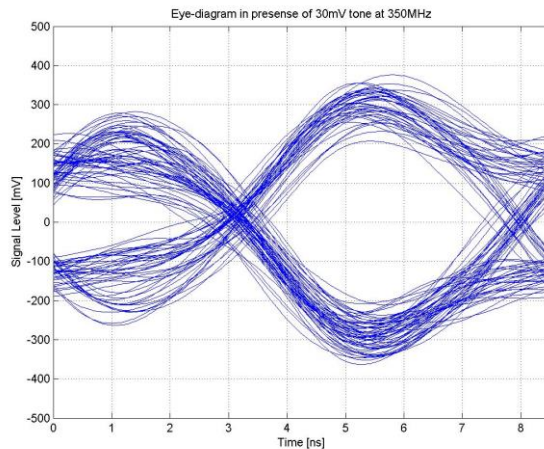
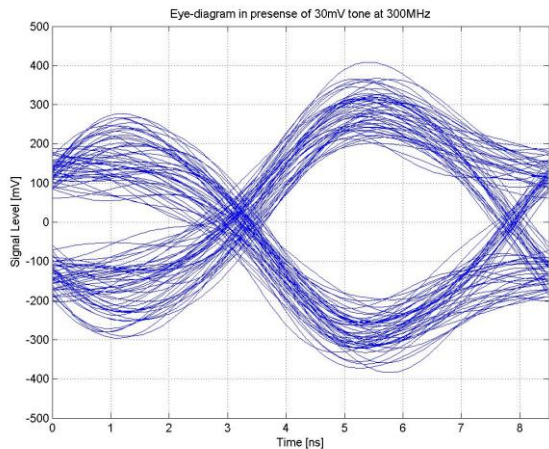
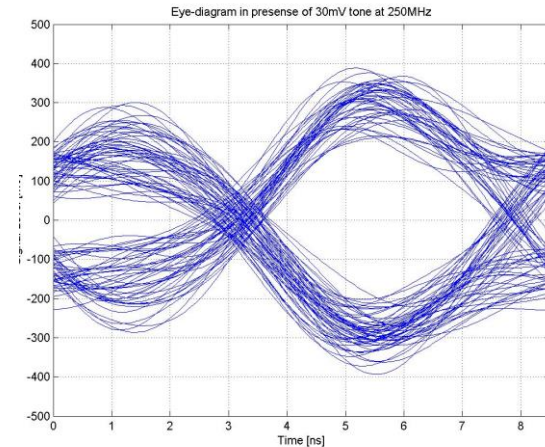
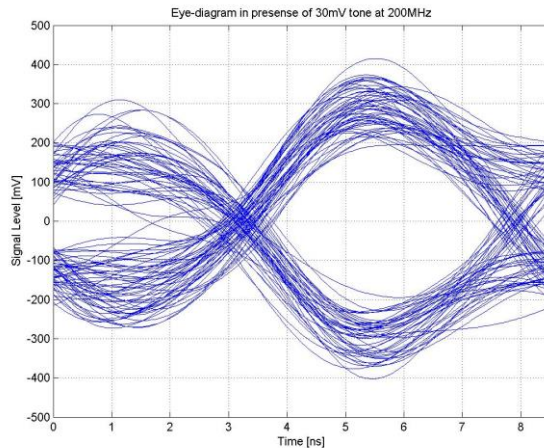
# Eye-diagram 100 - 175MHz

- Eye is clearly open in all cases



# Eye-diagram 200 - 400MHz

- Eye is clearly open in all cases





# Summary

- This simulation shows that the ACT low data rate receiver (camera receiver) has robust performance in the presence of single tone BCI
- This is the first simulation done with the simDM framework that was introduced in [jonsson\\_3dm\\_01\\_12\\_19\\_24.pdf](#), but more simulations are planned for the coming weeks
- The simulation code has been made available, and all feedback and suggestions are greatly appreciated



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