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Subject: Passive Lumped Capacitance Compensation on SCSI Signal Lines

Dear Mr. Lohmeyer:

Here are more slides in continuation of what I prepared last year to explain how the passive electrical compensation on the SCSI bus signal lines works for the Fast-20 SCSI bus. I stated there that the simulations were run for Fast-20 SCSI environment but the results and methodology could be generally used on high speed buses for both the single ended and differential applications.

This is exactly what we did here. We increased the speed on the single ended bus and watched how far we could go with the speed (simulation done by Larry Smith). We then switched to the differential bus, the LVD (Low Voltage Differential) bus and simulated behavior at higher speeds, above the 40 M-Transfers baseline, i.e at 80, 160, and 320 M-Transfers (simulations done by Istvan Novak).

These slides should show the feasibility and improved signal quality of signals on the SCSI bus with the passive compensation.

Sincerely,

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* Differential SCSI compensation
* Istvan Novak
* October 29, 1998
* 12pf_320M_sercomp.sp
* Node naming convention:
* first two digits: slot number
* third digit: 1: upper trace
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   2: lower trace
* fourth digit: 1: center node in T compensation network
    2: left side of T compensation network
    3: right side of T compensation network
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    4: SCSI device behind connector
.options list node post
.tran 50ps 50ns
.param term b=100
.param term_a=43
.param slot_spacing=1.5
.param term_spacing=0.75
.param source a=43
.param source_b=43
* In the series compensation circuits, the compensation components in the mai
* leave Rcl=Rcr=0.01
.param Lcl=22nH Lcr=22nH
.param Rcl=0.01 Rcr=0.01
* Series compensation between the drive and SCSI bus node
.param Rs=40
.param Ls=5nH
.param Rd=1e9
.param Ci=12pF
* The LVDS differential trace impedance should be 122+-8 ohms.
* With the scsi_trace2.rlc file the differential impedance is: 121.7 ohms
* This section is just for testing the trace parameters
Xdrtest 1 3 Drv
W_diff N=2 1 3 0 2 4 0 RLGCfile=scsi_trace2.rlc l='15*2.54/100'
Xtermtest 2 4 Term
.print tran v(1) v(2) v(3) v(4)
* Driver
Xdriver 0114 0124 Drv
* Bus traces
Xtermleft 0010 0020 Term
Xlineleft 0010 0112 0020 0122 diff_trace length=term_spacing
Xline01020113021201230222diff_trace length=slot_spacingXline02030213031202230322diff_trace length=slot_spacingXline03040313041203230422diff_trace length=slot_spacingXline04050413051204230522diff_trace length=slot_spacing
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