

Appendix A

Diffusion equation for skin effect

As an interesting aside, related to the ‘Nanowire’ PhD project in our group researching on-chip communication, we note that the response of the skin-effect-only copper channel, and a characteristically terminated on-chip RC-limited wire are the same. In both cases, a diffusion equation can be used to describe the channel [Ramo], [Kerst]. For the skin effect in a cylindrical conductor, the magnetic field is written in the diffusion equation. In an on-chip RC-limited wire, the voltage is written in the diffusion equation (charge diffusion). More detail is given below.

In an RC-limited wire, the diffusion equation is [Dally-3]:

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} = RC \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}. \quad (1)$$

For the skin effect, the diffusion equation is [Kerst]:

$$\frac{\partial^2 B}{\partial x^2} = \sigma\mu \frac{\partial B}{\partial t}, \quad (2)$$

where B is the magnetic field. For a cylindrical conductor with an axial current, this equation becomes [Kerst]:

$$\frac{\partial B_\theta}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\mu\sigma} \left(\frac{\partial^2 B_\theta}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial B_\theta}{\partial r} - \frac{B_\theta}{r^2} \right), \quad (3)$$

with r the direction of the radius and where B_θ is the azimuthal magnetic field.

The diffusion process in the case of the skin effect in a cylindrical conductor is that of the magnetic field into the conductor. At time $t=0$, the magnetic field is only present on the outer edge of the conductor, whilst at $t=\infty$ the field has penetrated the entire conductor. In the intervening time, a diffusion process takes place in the radial direction.

Appendix B

Jitter during the integration period

Jitter during the integration period T_c will effectively lead to duty cycle distortion, which causes inter-carrier interference. We have to make sure that this effect does not invalidate the analysis in Chapter 3. From [McNeill], the jitter variance as a function of measurement time is:

$$\sigma_t = \kappa \sqrt{\tau}, \quad (1)$$

where κ is a time domain figure of merit. When we fill in T_c for τ in Eq. 1 and divide by T_c , we obtain the following formula:

$$\frac{\sigma_t}{T_c} = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{T_c}}. \quad (2)$$

To provide a state-of-the-art estimation for κ , we use the following formulas from [McNeill]:

$$S_\phi(f) = \frac{N}{f^2}, \quad (3)$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{f_0}. \quad (4)$$

Using a phase noise of -99.5dBc/Hz at 1MHz offset for the (“state-of-the-art”) three-stage ring oscillator in [Eken] we calculate its $\kappa \approx 2 \cdot 10^{-9} \sqrt{s}$. By substituting this value into Eq. 2 and assuming that $T_c > 1 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{s}$, we can calculate that:

$$\frac{\sigma_t}{T_c} < 2 \cdot 10^{-4}. \quad (5)$$

In order for the correlation plot to be used for calculating bit error rates in the order of $1 \cdot 10^{-12}$, we calculate the 7σ variation to be approximately $1/1000^{\text{th}}$ of a period, having little or no effect on carrier orthogonality.

Appendix C

Tables for autocorrelation calculations

As explained in Chapter 5, the autocorrelation function $R_{xx}(\tau)$ is calculated by summing three components $R_0(\tau)$, $R_1(\tau)$ and $R_2(\tau)$ as follows:

$$R_{xx}(\tau) = R_2(\tau + 2T_s) + R_1(\tau + T_s) + R_0(\tau) + R_1(-\tau - T_s) + R_2(-\tau - 2T_s). \quad (1)$$

The tables used for calculating these three components, showing the possible combinations of singlets $v_k(i,j)$ and their probability, are given below. First the table for $R_0(\tau)$ is given, next for $R_1(\tau)$ and finally for $R_2(\tau)$.

The following property of the cross-correlation is used in the calculations:

$$R_{x,y}(\tau) = R_{-x,y}(\tau) = -R_{x,y}(\tau). \quad (2)$$

A shorthand notation is used when writing down the correlations, e.g. R_{AB} means:

$$R_{AB} = \int_0^{T_s} y_1(t)y_2(t+\tau)dt, \quad (3)$$

where $y_1(t)$ is the singlet 'A' and $y_2(t)$ is the singlet 'B' (see Table 1 in Chapter 5).

C.1. $R_0(\tau)$

Singlet		$v_0(i,j)$	Probability	Term
A	-1 1 -1	$v_0(1,1)$	1/8	AA
-A	1 -1 1	$v_0(2,1)$	1/8	AA
B	-1 1 1	$v_0(3,1)$	1/8	BB
-B	1 -1 -1	$v_0(4,1)$	1/8	BB
C	1 1 -1	$v_0(5,1)$	1/8	CC
-C	-1 -1 1	$v_0(6,1)$	1/8	CC
D	1 1 1	$v_0(7,1)$	1/8	DD
-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_0(8,1)$	1/8	DD

Table 1. $R_0(\tau)$.

Adding up the terms in the above table, we obtain $R_0(\tau)$:

$$\begin{aligned} R_0(\tau) &= \frac{1}{8}(R_{AA} + R_{AA} + R_{BB} + R_{BB} + R_{CC} + R_{CC} + R_{DD} + R_{DD}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(R_{AA} + R_{BB} + R_{CC} + R_{DD}). \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

C.2. $R_I(\tau)$

Singlet 1		Singlet 2		$v_I(i,j)$	Probability		Term	
A	-1 1 -1	A	-1 1 -1			-		
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_I(1,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	A·-A	
		B	-1 1 1				-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_I(1,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	A·-B	
		C	1 1 -1				-	
		-C	-1 -1 1				-	
		D	1 1 1				-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1				-	
						-1/16(AA+AB)		
B	-1 1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-		
		-A	1 -1 1				-	
		B	-1 1 1				-	
		-B	1 -1 -1				-	
		C	1 1 -1	$v_I(2,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	B·C	
		-C	-1 -1 1				-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_I(2,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	B·D	
		-D	-1 -1 -1				-	
						1/16(BC+BD)		
C	1 1 -1	A	-1 1 -1			-		
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_I(3,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	C·-A	
		B	-1 1 1				-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_I(3,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	C·-B	
		C	1 1 -1				-	
		-C	-1 -1 1				-	
		D	1 1 1				-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1				-	
						-1/16(CA+CB)		
D	1 1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-		
		-A	1 -1 1				-	
		B	-1 1 1				-	
		-B	1 -1 -1				-	
		C	1 1 -1	$v_I(4,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	D·C	
		-C	-1 -1 1				-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_I(4,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	D·D	
		-D	-1 -1 -1				-	
						1/16(DC+DD)		

-A	1 -1 1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_I(5,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-A·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_I(5,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-A·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
		-1/16(AA+AB)					
-B	1 -1 -1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_I(6,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-B·-C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_I(6,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-B·-D
		1/16(BC+BD)					
-C	-1 -1 1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_I(7,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-C·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_I(7,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-C·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
		-1/16(CA+CB)					
-D	-1 -1 -1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_I(8,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-D·-C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_I(8,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/2$	$1/16$	-D·-D
		1/16(DC+DD)					

Table 2. $R_I(\tau)$.

Adding up the terms in the above table, we obtain $R_I(\tau)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_I(\tau) &= \frac{1}{16} \left(-R_{AA} - R_{AB} + R_{BC} + R_{BD} - R_{CA} - R_{CB} + R_{DC} + R_{DD} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \left(-R_{AA} - R_{AB} + R_{BC} + R_{BD} - R_{CA} - R_{CB} + R_{DC} + R_{DD} \right). \tag{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

C.3. $R_2(\tau)$

Singlet 1		Singlet 2		$v_2(i,j)$	Probability		Term
A	-1 1 -1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_2(1,1)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	A·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_2(1,2)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	A·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_2(1,3)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	A·C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_2(1,4)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	A·D
					1/32(AA+AB-AC-AD)		
B	-1 1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_2(2,1)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	B·A
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_2(2,2)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	B·B
		C	1 1 -1	$v_2(2,3)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	B·C
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_2(2,4)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	B·D
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
					1/32(-BA-BB+BC+BD)		
C	1 1 -1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_2(3,1)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	C·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_2(3,2)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	C·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_2(3,3)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	C·C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_2(3,4)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	C·D
					1/32(CA+CB-CC-CD)		
D	1 1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_2(4,1)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	D·A
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_2(4,2)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	D·B
		C	1 1 -1	$v_2(4,3)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	D·C
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_2(4,4)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	D·D
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
					1/32(-DA-DB+DC+DD)		
-A	1 -1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_2(5,1)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	-A·-A
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_2(5,2)$	1/8·1/4	1/32	-A·-B

		C	1 1 -1	$v_2(5,3)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-A·C
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_2(5,4)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-A·D
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
						1/32(AA+AB-AC-AD)	
-B	1 -1 -1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_2(6,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-B·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_2(6,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-B·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_2(6,3)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-B·-C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_2(6,4)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-B·-D
						1/32(-BA-BB+BC+BD)	
-C	-1 -1 1	A	-1 1 -1			-	
		-A	1 -1 1	$v_2(7,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-C·-A
		B	-1 1 1			-	
		-B	1 -1 -1	$v_2(7,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-C·-B
		C	1 1 -1	$v_2(7,3)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-C·C
		-C	-1 -1 1			-	
		D	1 1 1	$v_2(7,4)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-C·D
		-D	-1 -1 -1			-	
						1/32(CA+CB-CC-CD)	
-D	-1 -1 -1	A	-1 1 -1	$v_2(8,1)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-D·A
		-A	1 -1 1			-	
		B	-1 1 1	$v_2(8,2)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-D·B
		-B	1 -1 -1			-	
		C	1 1 -1			-	
		-C	-1 -1 1	$v_2(8,3)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-D·-C
		D	1 1 1			-	
		-D	-1 -1 -1	$v_2(8,4)$	$1/8 \cdot 1/4$	$1/32$	-D·-D
						1/32(-DA-DB+DC+DD)	

Table 3. $R_2(\tau)$.

Adding up the terms in the above table, we obtain $R_2(\tau)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_2(\tau) &= \frac{1}{32} \begin{pmatrix} R_{AA} + R_{AB} - R_{AC} - R_{AD} - R_{BA} - R_{BB} + R_{BC} + R_{BD} \\ + R_{CA} + R_{CB} - R_{CC} - R_{CD} - R_{DA} - R_{DB} + R_{DC} + R_{DD} \\ + R_{AA} + R_{AB} - R_{AC} - R_{AD} - R_{BA} - R_{BB} + R_{BC} + R_{BD} \\ + R_{CA} + R_{CB} - R_{CC} - R_{CD} - R_{DA} - R_{DB} + R_{DC} + R_{DD} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} \begin{pmatrix} R_{AA} + R_{AB} - R_{AC} - R_{AD} - R_{BA} - R_{BB} + R_{BC} + R_{BD} \\ + R_{CA} + R_{CB} - R_{CC} - R_{CD} - R_{DA} - R_{DB} + R_{DC} + R_{DD} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

