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Subject: ([ESNUG 472 #5](#)) You should check out VersIC from MethodICs, too

> IC Manage delivered better than I had expected. As we use IC Manage we
 > find there is more and more we can do with it - it is flexible enough to
 > give rev control of any file, not just a Cadence file, e.g. synthesis,
 > digital libraries, text files, and coding.
 >
 > - Clint Meyer
 > National Semiconductor Rochester, NY

From: Dimitri Argyres <dargyres=user domain=netlogicmicro not calm>

Hi John,

I wanted to mention our experiences with another DM tool that competes with IC Manage and DesignSync called "VersIC" from MethodICs. VersIC integrates either Subversion or Perforce in the Cadence DFII environment with a unified interface.

We use Perforce as our backend repository and currently have many designers working concurrently and seamlessly with it across 3 design centers in Mountain View, Bangalore and Mumbai. In everyday use, their tool is transparent to our users since checkin/checkout operations happen in the background during edits/saves. Remote access is set up for the India offices with proxy/metadata depots yielding local response times for Cadence/VersIC operations.

Our most recent tapeout incorporated over 35K commits to the database, and the access speed was virtually unchanged from the beginning of the project to the end. We didn't lose a single piece of design data caused by database corruption.

As well as the DM functionality, VersIC does

- schematic/layout visual diffs which show changes between versions
- repository data-mining
- stale data auto updates

Overall, we are very pleased with our VersIC experience and I feel it is a strong solution for DM in the Cadence environment.

- Dimitri Argyres
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