Reporting Power Metrics

After power analysis, you can view the design data and analysis results in the graphical user interface (GUI) for visual debugging. You can also generate power metric reports by using the command. By default, the power metrics report is generated in a list format. To view this report in a table format, use the option.

Alternatively, use the command to report power metrics in a traditional format with a detailed breakdown of the power consumption from each power group across different power components, such as internal, switching, and leakage power. The supported power groups are defined in Table 1.

Table 1 Power groups

| Power groups | Definition |
|---------------|---|
| I/O pad | Cells from the pad cell group in the library |
| Memory | Cells from the memory group in the library |
| Black box | Cells with no functional description in the library |
| Clock network | Cells in the clock network, excluding I/O pad cells |
| Register | Latches and flip-flops driven by the clock network |
| Sequential | Latches and flip-flops clocked by signals that are not in the clock network |
| Combinational | Nonsequential cells |

The generated power report is derived from the PrimePower RTL results. The following example reports internal, switching, leakage, and total power metrics for different power groups.

You can also get RTL-based power metrics to trace back to the RTL code by using the command. For more information about RTL-based metrics, see *Generating RTL-Based Metrics*.