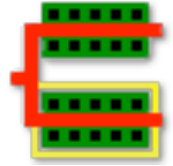


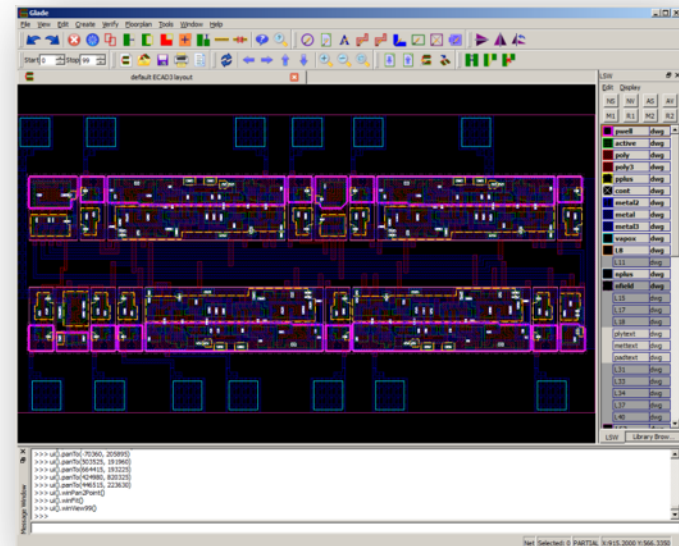
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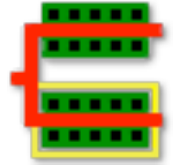
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What is Glade?



- **GDS LEF and DEF Editor**
 - Allows viewing and editing of physical data in a variety of formats
 - Multi Platform: runs on Windows, Linux, Mac (even Solaris!)
 - Simple yet powerful
 - Programmable in Python
 - Pcells (parameterised cells) in Python
 - DRC, extraction, LVS
 - Etc...

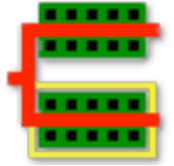


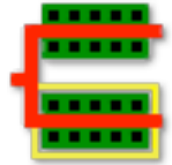


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GUI

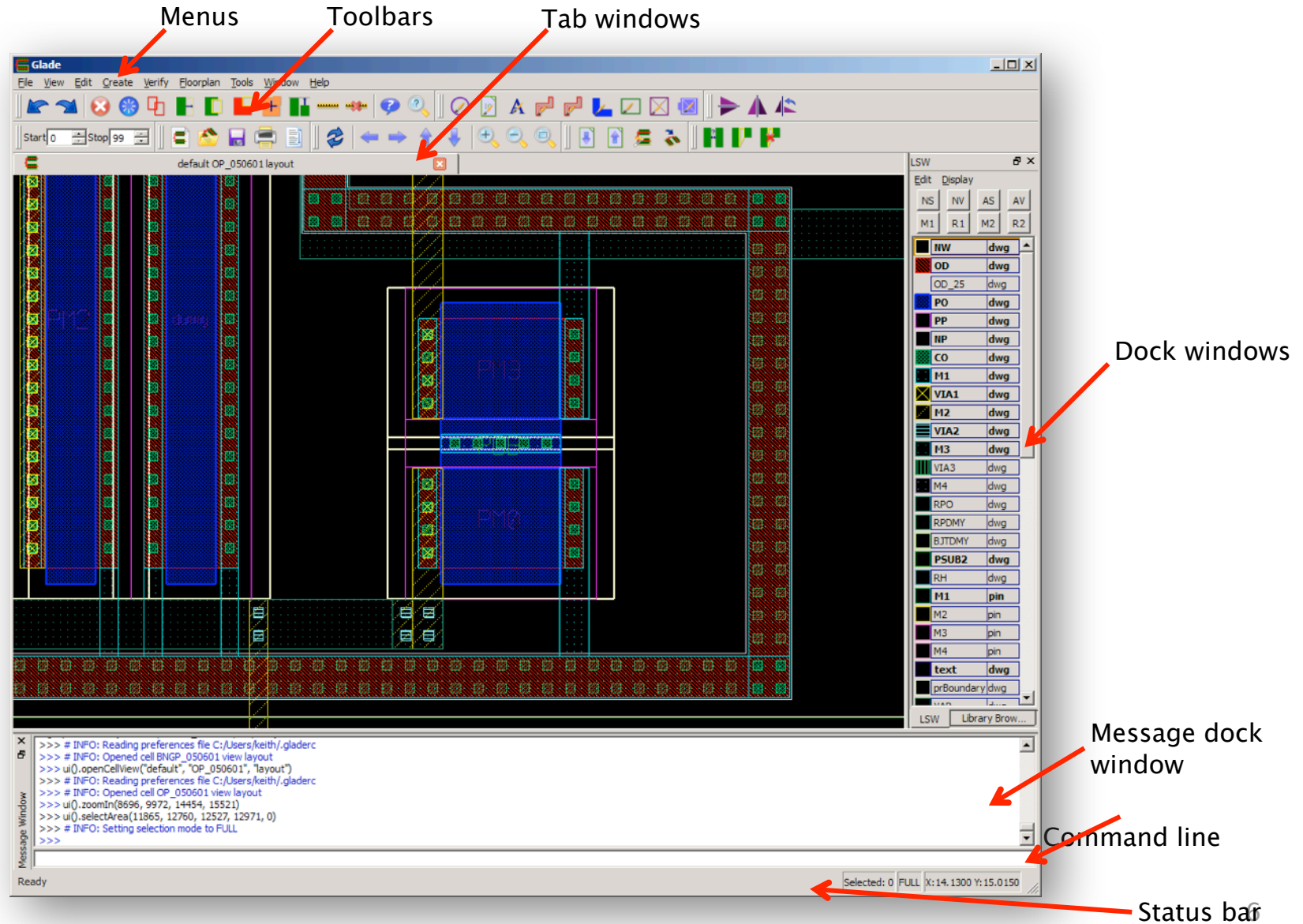
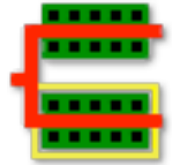




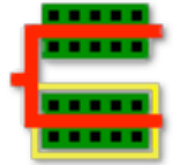
Starting Glade

- From the icon
 - Set file association if you want to double click on e.g. a GDS file and have Glade open it
- From the command line
 - glade [options]
- On startup, Glade reads:
 - ~/.gladerc (Linux/Mac) or %HOME%\gladerc (Windows)
 - Display and selection settings, window arrangement.
 - ~/.glade.py (Linux/Mac) or %HOME%\glade.py (Windows)
 - Python script that is run on startup. Useful for loading default techfile, project library etc. Note that this is read **before** any command line options.

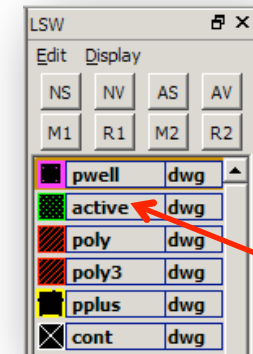
GUI – the basics



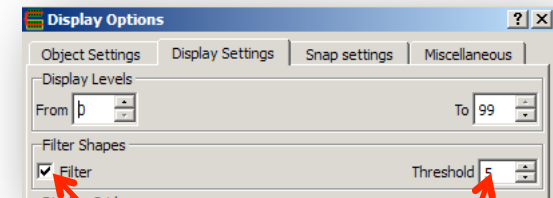
GUI – Visibility



- Layer visibility controlled by LSW
 - Right mouse click on layer toggles visibility
- Small objects (less than filter size)
 - Not drawn to improve drawing speed on very large designs
 - Can be controlled by display options form
- Display of layout hierarchy
 - Controlled by start & stop depth
 - Toolbar / menu / bindkeys can change the display depth

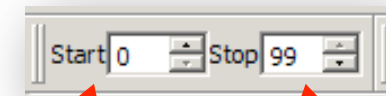


RMB click here to toggle visibility



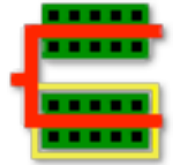
Enable filtering

Filter size in pixels



Display start level

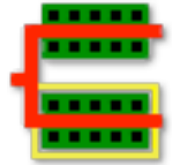
Display stop level



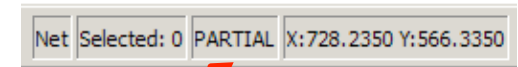
GUI – Selection

- Selection
 - Many commands work on the ‘selected set’ of objects
 - Use Left mouse button to select objects
 - Single click selects objects
 - Shift + click adds to selected set
 - Ctrl + click removes from selected set
 - Click and drag selects objects in the drag area
 - Double click selects and queries and object’s attributes
 - Number of items selected shown in the status bar
 - Selected objects are highlighted
 - Other unselected objects can be dimmed (set in Selection Options form)

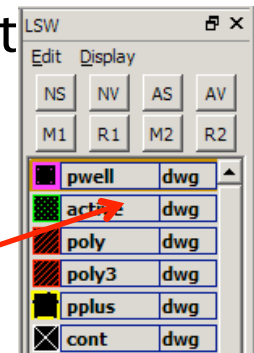
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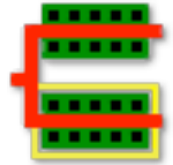


- Selection Mode
 - Full: whole objects are selected
 - Partial: Edges or Vertices of shapes are selected
 - Mode is toggled by F4 key
 - Current selection mode shown in status bar
- Selection only possible on objects that are selectable
 - Controlled by LSW (Layer Select Window)
 - Use middle mouse button to toggle selectability
 - Unselectable layers greyed out



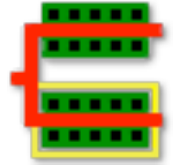
Middle mouse click here to toggle selectability





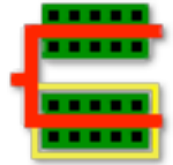
GUI – Zooming

- Zoom by:
 - Bindkeys:
 - Z (zoom in by 2)
 - Shift-Z (zoom out by 2)
 - F (fit window)
 - X (zoom to selected set)
 - Use scroll wheel to zoom in/out
 - % zoomed in/out can be set in Pan/Zoom options form
 - Use right mouse button drag
 - Start at lower point and drag up – zooms in
 - Start at upper point and drag down – zooms out



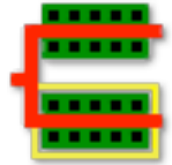
GUI – Panning

- Pan (move around the viewport) by:
 - Tab (pans to the point under the cursor)
 - View->Pan To Point (pans to the X/Y coord specified)
 - Pan using left/right/up/down keys
 - Pans by default half the viewport width/height
 - Value can be changed in Pan/Zoom options form
 - Pan using middle mouse drag
 - Pans in real time



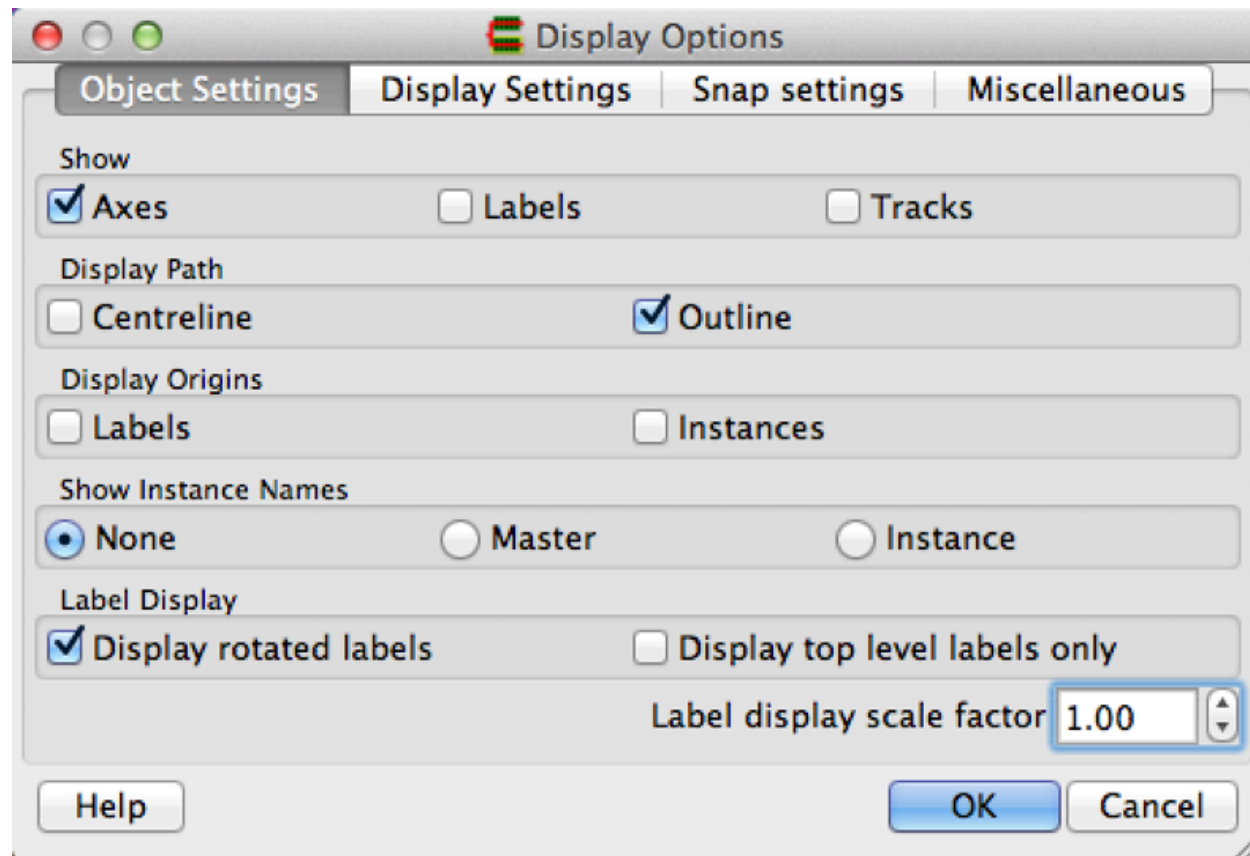
GUI – Options

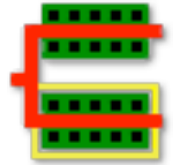
- Lots of options!
 - Display options form (E bindkey)
 - How some objects are displayed
 - Grid, filtering, snapping etc
 - Selection options form (Shift-E bindkey)
 - Full/Partial select (F4 bindkey)
 - Selection type
 - Dimming
 - Gravity
 - Cursor style
 - Dynamic highlight



Display Options

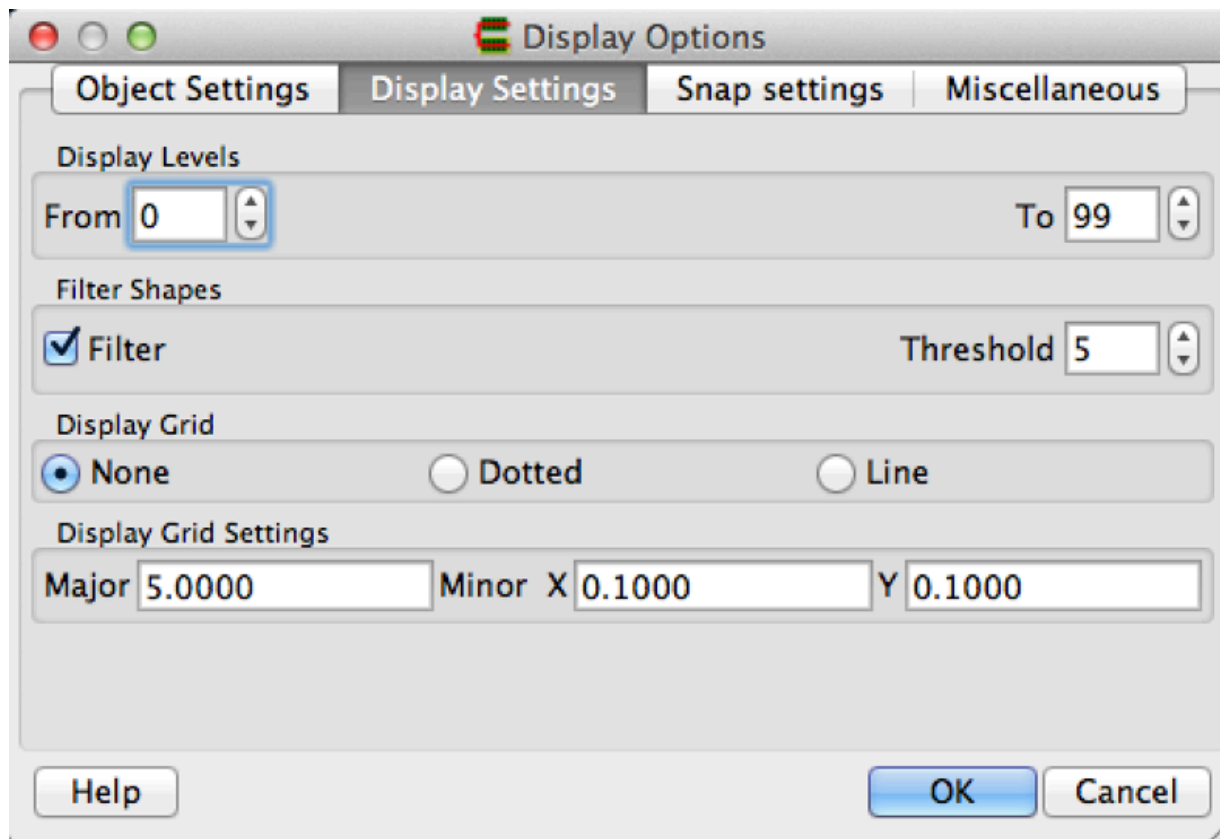
- Object Setting control display of objects



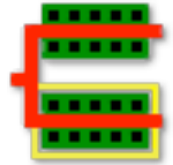


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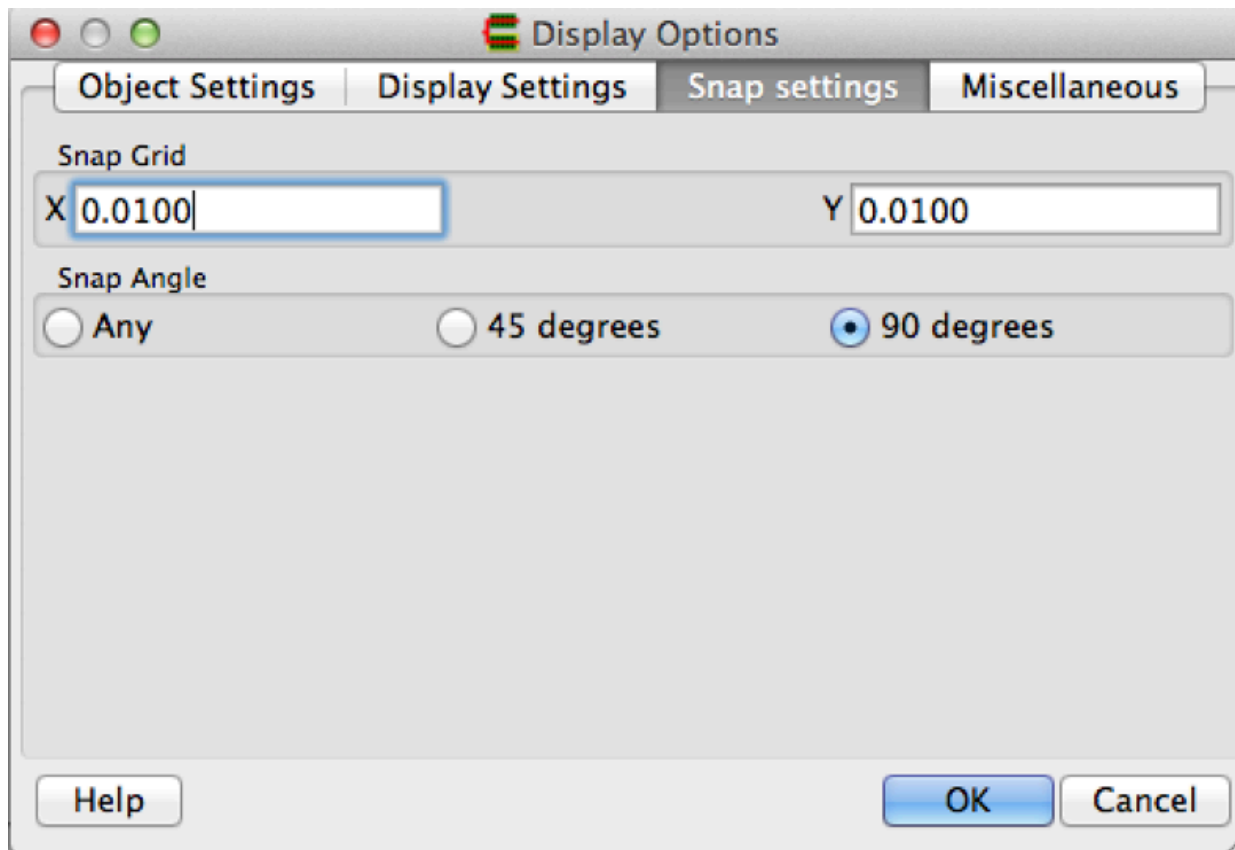
- Display settings control drawing options

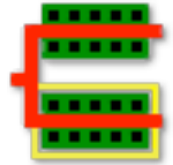


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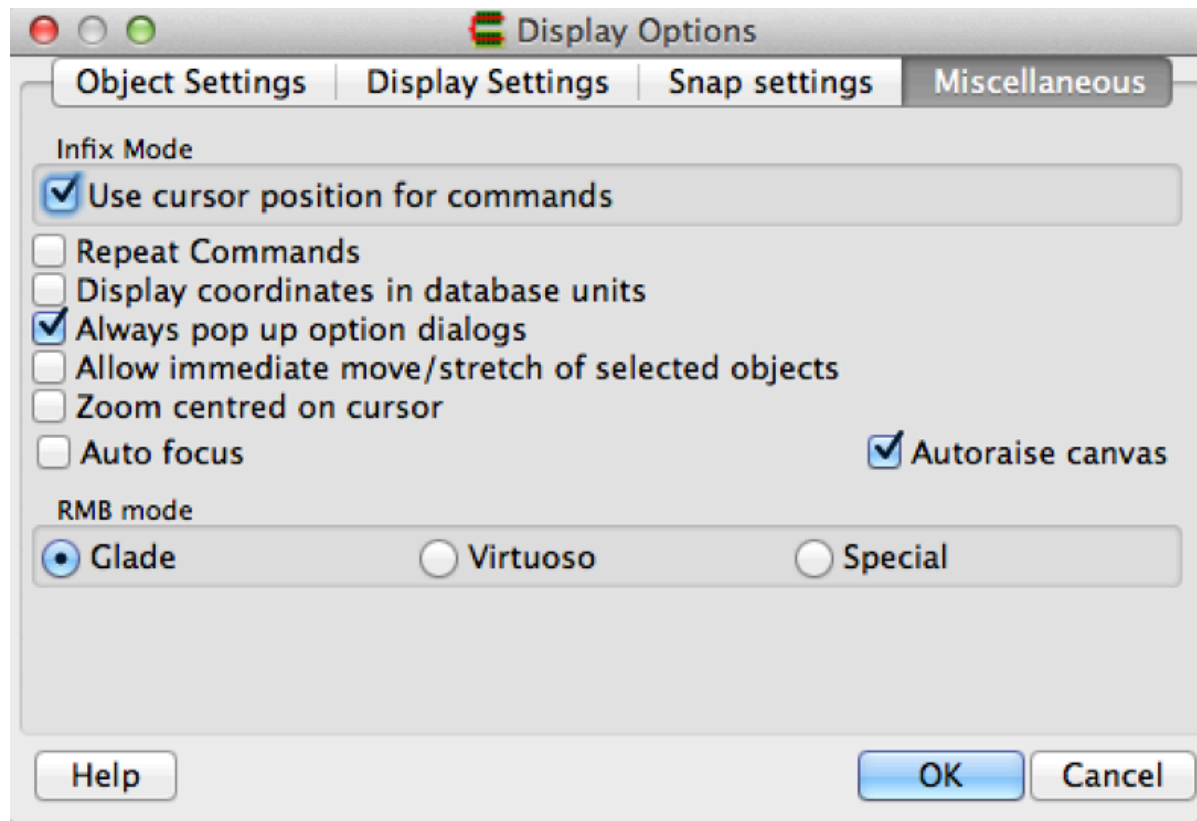
- Snap settings set snap grid and angle



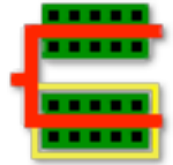


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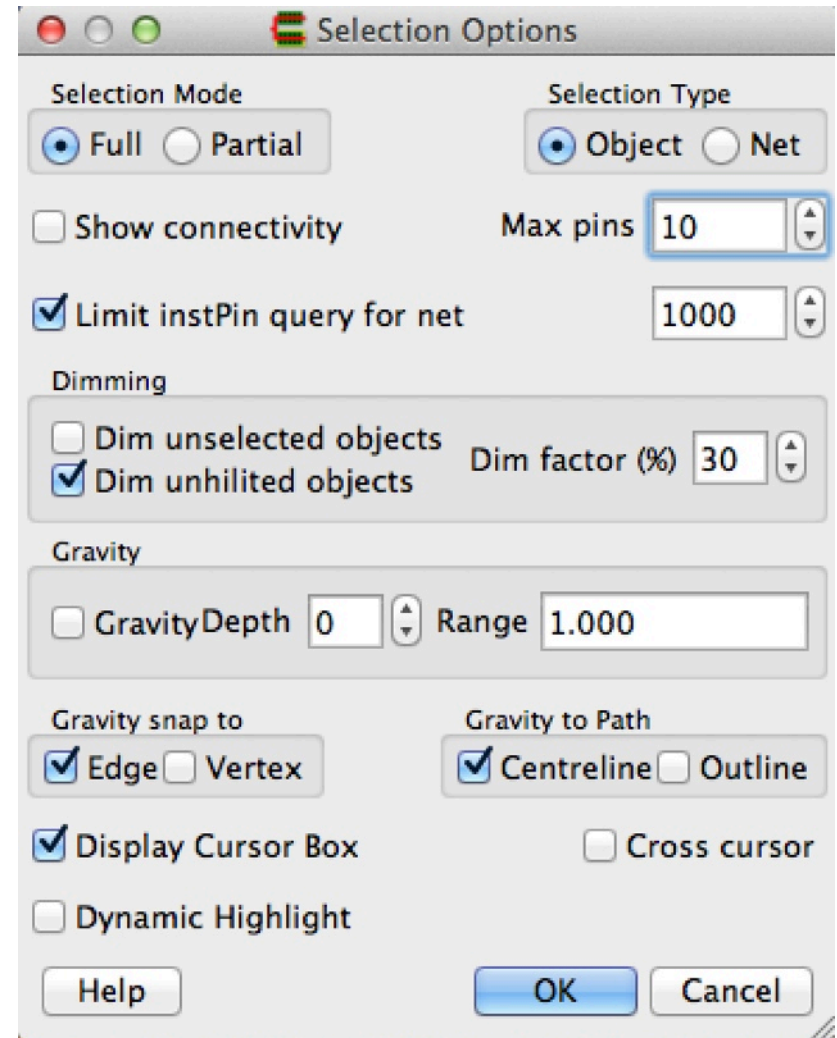
- Miscellaneous options...



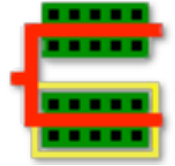
Selection Options

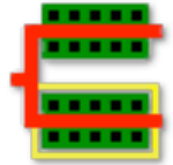


- Selection options dialog controls selectivity, gravity, dimming etc.



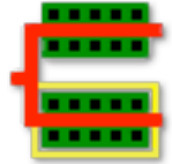
Techfile Setup





Techfile Setup

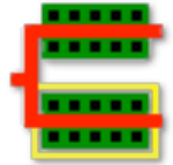
- The techfile is an ascii file containing information about the process you are working on.
- Defines
 - Layer names, colours, fill patterns, linestyles
 - Layer functions (routing / via etc)
 - Layer connections (used by net tracer)
 - Width/spacing rules
 - Via definitions
 - MPP (MultiPartPath) rules
- Glade can also read Cadence display.drf/ .tf or Laker .dsp/ .tf techfiles.



LAYER section

```
// Name Purpose gds_num gds_dtyp RGBA sel? vis? fillstyle linestyle
LAYER psub drawing 0 0 (217,150,150,128) t t
      empty dashed2 ;
LAYER nwell drawing 1 0 (150,150,217,128) t t
      empty dashed2 ;
LAYER od drawing 2 0 (217,204,0,128) t t dots_rare plain ;
LAYER polyg drawing 3 0 (255,0,0,128) t
      t zagr1 plain ;
```

- All layers have a name and a purpose
- Layers have GDS number / datatype mappings
- Layer colour as RGBA (alpha)
- Visibility and Selectability
- Fill style (name of stipple pattern)
- Line style (name of line style pattern)

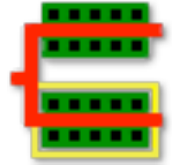


FUNCTION section

```
// Layer Function.  
//  
FUNCTION polyg      drawing  ROUTING ;  
FUNCTION cont       drawing  CUT ;  
FUNCTION metal1     drawing  ROUTING ;  
FUNCTION via12      drawing  CUT ;
```

- **FUNCTION** of the layer/purpose pair can be one of:
 - CUT (a via or contact layer)
 - ROUTING (a layer that can have connectivity)
 - BLOCKAGE (as in LEF/DEF)
 - MASTERSLICE (as in LEF/DEF)
 - PIN (as in LEF/DEF)
 - OVERLAP (as in LEF/DEF)
 - WELL
 - DIFFUSION
 - POLY
 - IMPLANT
 - NONE
- Mainly used in LEF/DEF interface

CONNECTIONS section



```
// Layer Connections.
```

```
//
```

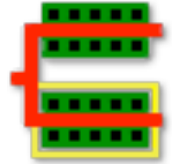
```
CONNECT polyg drawing BY cont drawing TO metal1 drawing ;
```

```
CONNECT metal1 drawing BY via12 drawing TO metal2 drawing ;
```

```
CONNECT metal2 drawing BY via23 drawing TO metal3 drawing ;
```

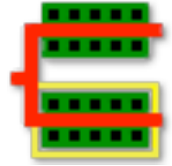
- Used to define connectivity for e.g. the Net Tracer
- Can connect layer1 to layer2 by a via layer
- Can also directly connect two layers
 - CONNECT li drawing TO poly drawing ;

Spacing Rules section



```
// Spacing rules.  
//  
MINWIDTH nwell drawing 1.80 ;  
MINSPEACE nwell drawing 1.20 ;  
MINAREA active drawing 0.45;  
MINENC nwell drawing active drawing 0.20 ;  
MINOVLP polyg drawing active drawing 0.18 ;
```

- Defines simple layer rules, used by Verify->Check... command

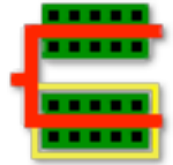


Via rules section

```
// Via rules.  
//  
VIA od_m1  
    metal1 drawing -0.130 -0.130 0.130 0.130  
    cont drawing -0.080 -0.080 0.080 0.080  
    od drawing -0.150 -0.150 0.150 0.150
```

- Defines via definitions for Create->Via command
- Vias have an upper and lower layer normally of function ROUTING
- Vias have a layer of function CUT
- Can have multiple cut shapes in vias e.g. to create a 2x1 or 1x2 via.

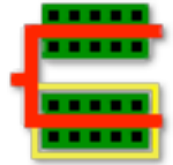
MultiPartPath rules section



```
// MultiPartPath rules
//
MPP nguard LAYER nwell drawing WIDTH 1.80 BEGEXT 0.90 ENDEXT 0.9 ;
MPP nguard LAYER od drawing WIDTH 1.18 BEGEXT 0.59 ENDEXT 0.59 ;
MPP nguard LAYER nimp drawing WIDTH 1.54 BEGEXT 0.77 ENDEXT 0.77 ;
MPP nguard LAYER cont drawing WIDTH 0.16 BEGEXT -0.08 ENDEXT -0.08 SPACE 0.18 LENGTH 0.16 ;
MPP nguard LAYER metal1 drawing WIDTH 0.60 BEGEXT 0.30 ENDEXT 0.30 ;
```

- MPP rules define how a MPP object is created
 - A MPP is like a normal path but with multiple layers and (optionally) contacts between the layers
 - Typically used for e.g. guard rings.
 - Can be edited and moved/stretched just like a normal path.

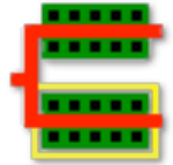
Stipple pattern section



```
// Name Type Fill pattern
STIPPLE     zagl     STIPPLE
```

```
0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1
0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0
0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0
1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1
0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0
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0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1
0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0
0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0
1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0
;
```

- Stipple patterns can be 4x4, 8x8, 16x16, 32x32
- Can create/edit with the stipple pattern editor

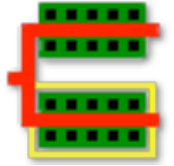


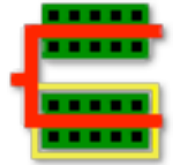
Line style section

```
// Name Width Style
LINE      plain      0      SOLID ;
LINE      thicksolid  4      SOLID ;
LINE      thick       2      SOLID ;
LINE      dashed2     2      DASH ;
LINE      dotted      0      DOT ;
LINE      dashdot     0      DASHDOT ;
LINE      dashdotdot  0      DASHDOTDOT ;
```

- Line styles used to define the line surround of a shape
- Defines the width of the lines (0 is default width)
- Also defines any pattern
 - - - - - DASH
 - DOT
 - - . - . - . DASHDOT etc.
- Can be set in the stipple pattern editor

Basic Editing

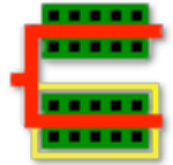




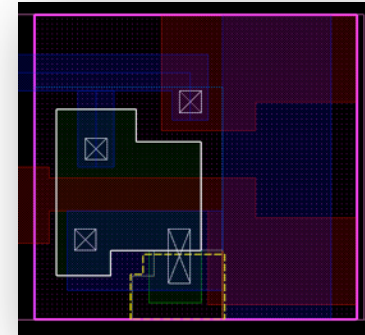
Basic Editing

- Many commands work on the Selected Set.
 - Selected Set is a list of objects that have been selected.
 - Selected objects have their outline drawn in the ‘select’ layer (defaults to white).
 - Selection can be made by:
 - LMB (Left mouse button) click on an object
 - Shift+LMB adds to the selected set
 - Ctrl+LMB removes from the selected set
 - LMB drag will select objects wholly contained in the drag rectangle
 - LMB drag works with modifier keys Shift and Ctrl
 - Bindkey Ctrl-A selects all objects, Ctrl-D deselects all selected objects.

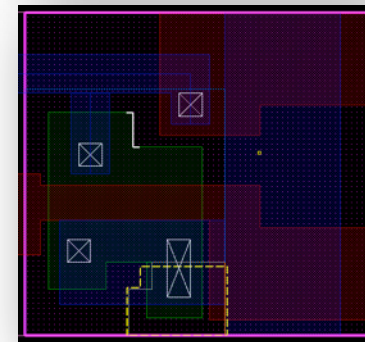
Selection – Continued



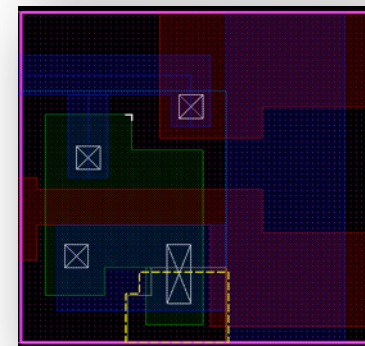
- Shapes can be selected according to the current selection mode
 - FULL : selects the whole shape
 - PARTIAL : selects either an edge of a shape or a vertex of a shape. Vertices will be selected if the cursor is within 10% of the nearest edge length to the vertex.
- Toggle between full/partial mode with the F4 bindkey
- Other objects can also be selected
 - Instances/arrays
 - Text labels
 - Etc.



Full

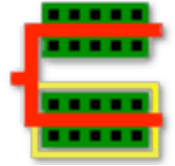


Partial
(Edge)



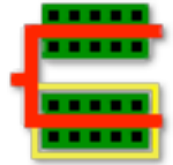
Partial
(Vertex)

Selection – Continued

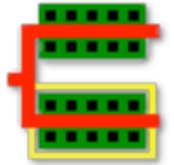


- Selection can be controlled by:
 - Making layers unselectable/invisible (can't select invisible layers)
 - Making the Instance layer unselectable prevents selecting instances or arrays
 - When there are multiple object under the cursor, if the cursor does not move and the left mouse button click repeated, objects with edges near the cursor are cycled through.
- Number of objects selected is shown in the status bar
- Query selected objects using the Q bindkey (Edit->Query)

Basic Editing – Creating shapes

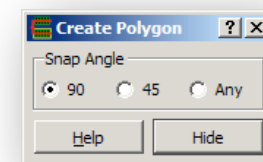
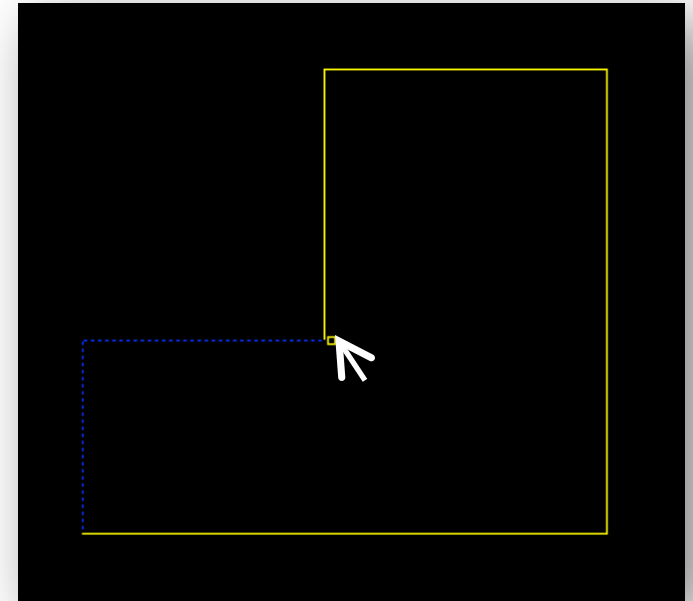


- Select the layer you want to draw on by LMB clicking on it in the LSW
- Use either menu, toolbar or shortcut key to create objects. Shortcut key has the advantage of being able to work in infix mode.
 - Infix mode uses current cursor position for the first coordinate. Set using Display Options form.
- During shape creation an options form can be displayed. It can be toggled between shown/hidden using the F3 key.
- For paths and polygons, finish by hitting Enter key, or by double clicking. There is no need to ‘close’ a polygon.



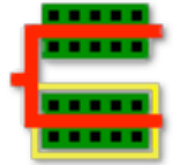
Create Polygon

- Bindkey Shift+P starts a polygon
- Edges entered are drawn in yellow
- 'Close edges' are drawn dotted blue. These are edges that will be automatically added to close the polygon, if Enter is pressed or a double click at the current point.
- There is no need to enter the last point coincident with the start point as a result.



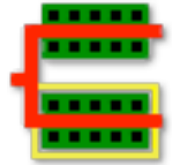
Create Polygon options form

Create Polygon – continued



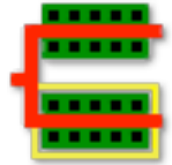
- Polygon points entered are snapped to the snap grid (defined in the Display Options form) and according to the snap angle (Manhattan / Diagonal / Any Angle).
- While entering a polygon, you can undo the last point entered by using the Backspace key.
- Colinear points entered (points with exactly the same X and Y values) are automatically removed
- Self-intersecting polygons are not allowed. An error will be given and the polygon will not be created.

Create Polygon – continued

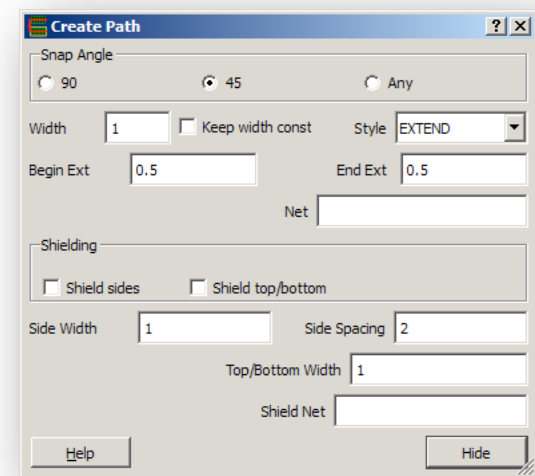
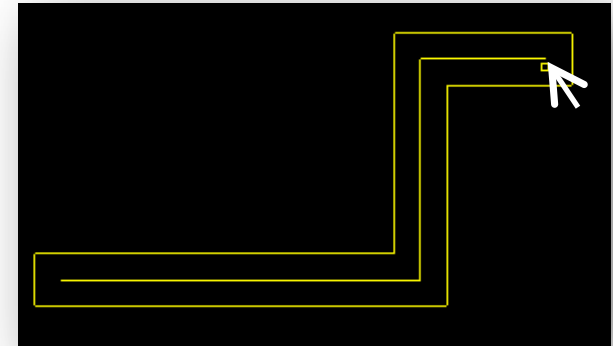
A screenshot of a software dialog box titled "Properties for object POLYGON in cell test2 view layout". The dialog has two tabs: "Properties" and "Polygon", with "Polygon" currently selected. It contains several input fields and buttons. The "Layer" field shows a green square icon, the text "active", and a dropdown menu with "dwg" selected. The "Num Vertices" field contains the number "5". The "Vertices" field displays a list of coordinates: "((8.995,3.090) (16.225,3.090) (16.225,10.255) (13.405,10.255) (8.995,5.845))". The "Area" field shows "42.0789" and the "Perimeter" field shows "26.206". The "Bounding box" field shows "(8.995 3.090) (16.225 10.255)". At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled "Change all selected objects" which is unchecked. Below the checkbox are six buttons: "< Previous", "Next >", "Delete", "Apply", "OK", and "Cancel".

- Polygons can be selected and queried to make modifications
 - Change the layer
 - Edit vertices textually
- Query form shows other useful info like area, perimeter, bounding box.

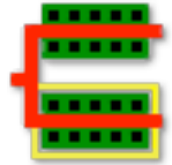
Create Path



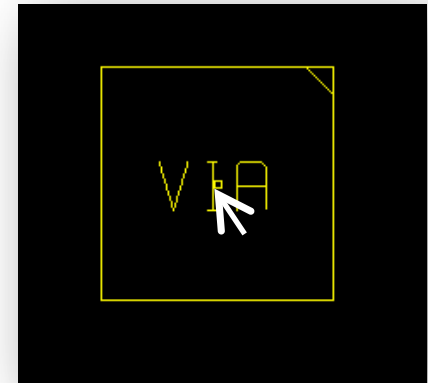
- Create Path
 - Creates a path. Width, extension, style and shielding can be defined in the options form
 - With layer function and vias defined in techfile, the U key will add a via and path creation continues on the next routing layer up. The D key will add a via and path creation continues on the next routing layer down.
- End a path with Enter or double click. Backup to undo last point entered.



Create Instance



- Create Instance shows an outline of the instance, and its cell name.
- Use the option form to define instance's library/cell/view names.
- Arrays can be generated by setting number of rows/cols and spacing
- Instances current can have orientations R0, R90, R180, R270, MX, MXR90, MY, MYR90



Create Inst

Instance Attributes | Instance Properties

Library: default

CellName: VIA

ViewName: layout

InstName: I1

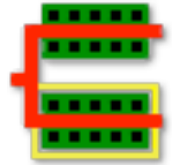
Orientation: R0

Num Rows: 1 Num Cols: 1

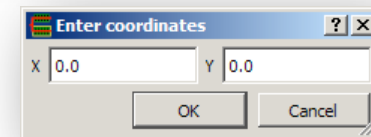
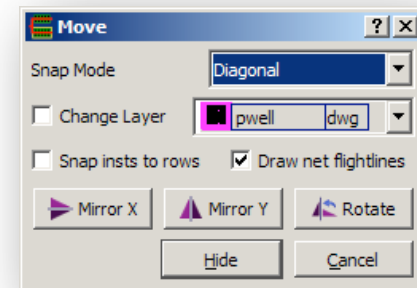
Row Spacing: 0 Col Spacing: 0

Help Hide

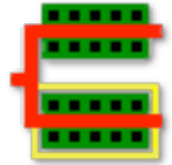
Editing Commands



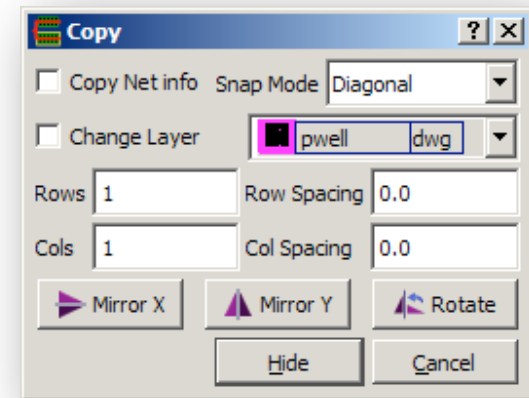
- Move
 - Select object(s) and move. First point is the reference point, second point defines the delta for the move.
 - To move a fixed distance, Use Edit->Move, then F5. Enter X/Y coords as 0,0. Then F5 again and enter delta X,Y required.
 - Move can rotate/mirror shapes
 - Use r, x, y bindkeys during move
 - Move can change the layer of the shape



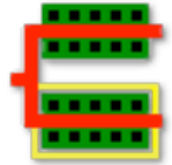
Editing Commands



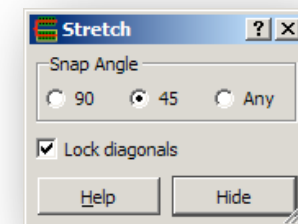
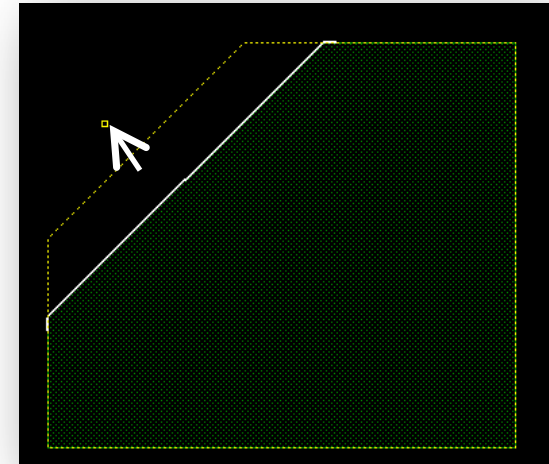
- Copy
 - Similar to move: select the object(s) to copy, then enter the reference coordinate and the destination coordinate.
 - Copy can copy the object(s) by array (not an instance array)
 - Copy can rotate/mirror during copy
 - Use r/x/y bindkeys or option form buttons
 - Copy can change layer of shape(s). All shapes will be changed to the target layer.



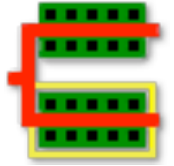
Editing Commands

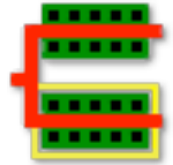


- Stretch
 - Select edge in partial select mode
 - Stretch will show as yellow dotted line
 - Stretch options form allows ‘locking’ diagonals. Otherwise stretching a manhattan edge of the object may change the adjacent diagonal to any angle.
 - Stretch works on selected vertices as well
 - It’s not a good idea to try and stretch multiple edges/vertices at same time unless they belong to different shapes!
 - Stretch will move shapes that have been selected in full select mode



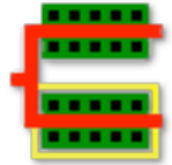
PCells





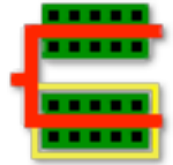
PCells

- PCells are Parameterised Cells
 - Instances of a PCell can be different depending on the properties of the instance. For example a MOS device can have W, L parameterisable.
- Benefits of PCells
 - Designed once – can be used in many variants
 - Reduce DRC errors
 - Faster layout times
- Glade PCells are NOT the same as Cadence Pcells or Synopsys PyCells!
 - Other vendor's PCells use proprietary languages (e.g. Skill) and/or plugins (PyCells)



PCells

- Glade PCells written in Python
 - Code can be debugged using print statements or using a Python debugger e.g. ActiveState Komodo.
 - PCell files must be kept in a directory in user's PYTHONPATH
 - Bytecode compiled PCells can be used (.pyc files) to distribute unreadable PCells.
- PCell code creates a cell called a SuperMaster. This cell is used to create instances of PCells. When an instance of the supermaster is created, a SubMaster cell is also created using the unique properties of the instance.
- SubMaster cells are not visible in the library browser
 - they are managed by the PCell subsystem.



PCells

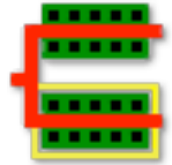
```
# Import the db wrappers  
from ui import *
```

```
# The entry point. The function name *must* match the filename.
```

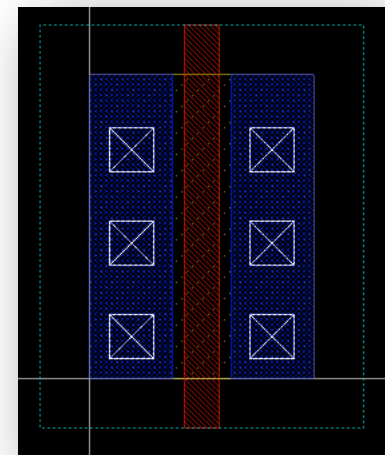
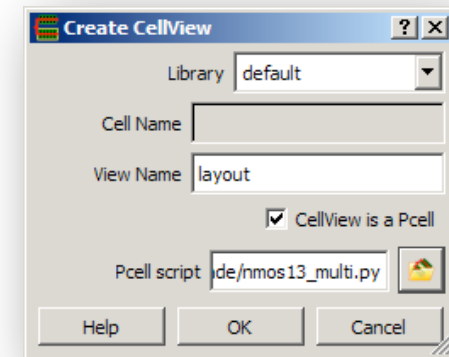
```
def nmos13_multi(cv, w=1.1, l=0.13, m=1) :  
    lib = cv.lib()  
    dbu = lib.dbuPerUU()  
    width = int(w * dbu)  
    length = int(l * dbu)  
    fingers = int(m)
```

- An example: nmos13_multi.py (only the first few lines shown)
 - We define a function called nmos13_multi.
 - It has 4 arguments
 - 1st is always the cellView that the PCell instance is created in.
 - Remainder are the PCell parameters. They *must* have default values specified, so we can build the PCell if the properties have not yet been specified on the PCell instance

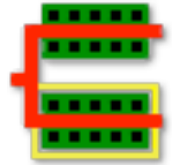
PCells



- Create a Pcell supermaster manually using the New Cell command.
- This creates the SuperMaster cell `nmos13_multi`
 - Do not edit this cell!
 - It is there for 2 reasons
 - To help you debug writing pcells
 - To allow the Create Instance command to reference it. An instance of its submaster is then created and used.



PCells



- To create a PCell instance in your layout:
 - Use the Create Instance command
 - Edit the Instance Properties tab on the options form to set the PCell parameters.
- The Properties tab shows the default Pcell parameters; you can modify these to the values you want.

Instance Attributes | Instance Properties

Library: default

CellName: nmos13_multi

ViewName: layout

InstName: I1

Orientation: R0

Num Rows: 1 Num Cols: 1

Row Spacing: 0 Col Spacing: 0

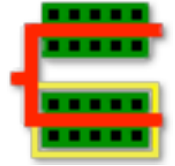
Help Hide

Instance Attributes | Instance Properties

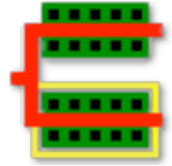
Add Modify Delete

Name	Type	Value
w	float	1.1
l	float	0.13
m	integer	1

DRC / extraction / LVS

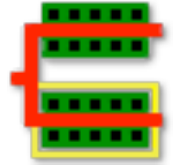


DRC



- Design Rule Checking (DRC) in Glade uses Python scripting
 - DRC rules files are scripts calling Python functions
- Boolean operations and DRC checks are performed by a scanline algorithm (Bentley–Ottman)
 - Not suited for very large designs as layers are processed flat
 - Maybe tiling in the future can address this
- DRC commands for common operations
 - Boolean ops to create derived layers e.g. gate = poly AND active
 - Connectivity extraction for samenet/diffnet rules
 - DRC commands to check e.g. width, spacing, overlap etc.

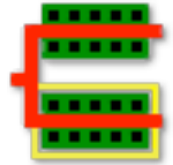
A simple DRC example



A simple DRC script might look like this:

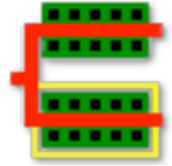
```
from ui import *
cv = getEditCellView()
geomBegin(cv)
active = geomGetShapes("active", "drawing")
poly = geomGetShapes("poly", "drawing")
gate = geomAnd(active, poly)
geomWidth(gate, 0.18)
geomEnd()
```

1. First we import the ui module so we can access the geom... Python functions
2. Next we get the cellView we want to check – in this case the current open cellView
3. We initialise the geometry engine with geomBegin, which takes a single arg – the cellView
4. We read in data on layers we wish to use
5. We perform some boolean operations to create derived layers
6. We perform a DRC check on the derived layer (in this case checking the width is not less than 0.18um)
7. Lastly we exit the geometry engine to free memory.



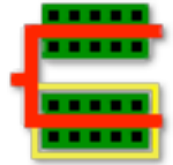
Importing layers

- `geomGetShapes()` is used to get all the shapes on a given layer
 - By default it flattens the hierarchy of the cellview
 - It creates an **edge file**. This is a temporary disk file in compact binary format that stores all shapes of a given layer as a set of edges for each polygon.
 - `geomGetShapes()` also merges shapes and orders polygon vertices as counterclockwise (internally the geometry engine stores polygons as counterclockwise, and holes as clockwise vertices).
 - The resulting edge file can be imagined as a '**layer**'. Layers generated from `geomGetShapes()` are known as '**original**' layers. Layers generated by subsequent boolean or selection functions are known as '**derived**' layers.



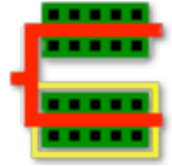
Boolean operations

- There are many operations to process shapes on layers:
 - `geomMerge()` : performs single layer OR
 - `geomOr()` : performs two layer OR
 - `geomAnd()` : performs two layer AND
 - `geomNot()` : creates the inverse of the layer data
 - `geomAndNot()` : subtracts a layer from another layer (the inverse of `geomAnd()`)
 - `geomXor()` : performs the XOR of two layers
 - `geomSize()` : up or down sizes a layer
 - `geomTrapezoid()`: converts a layer's polygons to trapezoids



Selection operations

- Similarly there are operations to select shapes based on some criteria:
 - `geomTouching()`
 - `geomOverlapping()`
 - `geomInside()`
 - `geomOutside()`
 - `geomAvoiding()`
 - `geomButting()`
 - `geomCoincident()`
 - `geomHoles()`
 - `geomNoHoles()`
 - `geomGetTexted()`



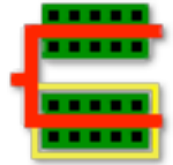
Labelling shapes

- `geomLabel()` will assign net names to shapes
 - Typical use is for extraction to label known nets

```
geomLabel(metal1, "m1txt", "drawing")
```

- The above uses text on the 'm1txt drawing' layer purpose pair to assign net names to shapes on metal1
 - Text origin must overlap the shape
- Labelled shapes will be used in connectivity extraction as starting points for connectivity tracing.

Connectivity extraction

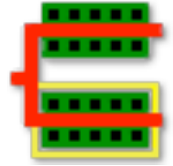


- The geometry engine can extract connectivity from shapes, using the `geomConnect()` function:

```
geomConnect( [  
    [cont, active, poly, metal1],  
    [via1, metal1, metal2]  
    ])
```

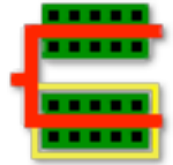
- In this example we connect the active, poly or metal1 shapes to each other via the 'cont' layer. Similarly for metal1/metal2 by the 'via' layer.
- `geomConnect` will use net names from e.g. `geomLabel()` else it will assign generated names (n1, n2....) to connected shapes as net names.
- `geomConnect` will warn of shorts e.g if a shape labelled 'vdd' is eventually connected to another shape with a different label e.g. 'gnd'. It will report the coordinates and layers of the shorts.

DRC checking commands



- DRC check commands check for specific rules:
 - `geomWidth()` : minimum width of a shape
 - `geomSpace()` : minimum space of shapes on 1 or 2 layers
 - `geomNotch()`: minimum space between edges of a shape
 - `geomArea()` : minimum / maximum area of a shape
 - `geomEnclose()` : enclosure of one shape by another
 - `geomExtension()` : extension of shape on one layer beyond shape on other layer's edge
 - `geomOverlap()` : minimum overlap of shape on one layer by shape on other layer.
- DRC commands generate markers on original layout that can be viewed by Verify->DRC->View Errors...
- DRC command also generate edge files that can be used:
 - `errorLayer = geomWidth(metal1, 0.4)`
 - Generates a derived layer 'errorLayer' with shapes that are the violations from the `geomWidth()` command.

Running DRC



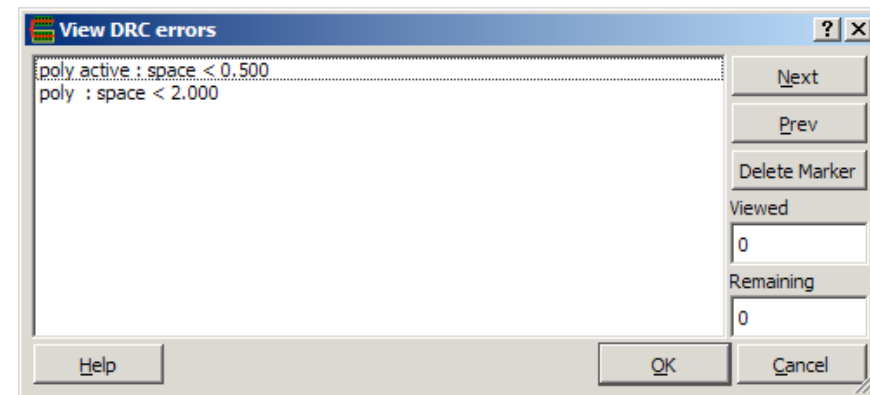
- Env var `GLADE_DRC_FILE` sets DRC rules file in 'Verify->DRC->Run' dialog
- Env var `GLADE_DRC_WORK_DIR` sets location of temporary files.
- Use Verify->DRC->View Errors... to display DRC marker viewer
 - Left click on rule will zoom in on first error for that rule
 - #Viewed / #Remaining show errors viewed and remaining to view.

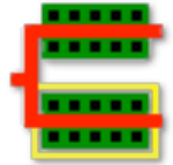
Run
DRC



View
DRC
markers

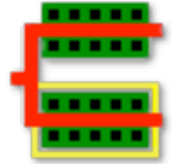
Clear DRC
markers





Extraction

- Extraction (Verify->Extract...) uses similar boolean processing as DRC.
 - Note that forming connectivity is optional for DRC, but mandatory for extraction!
- Extraction requires saveInterconnect() command to save connected shapes into extracted view.
 - This allows extraction of devices e.g. MOS, BJT, resistor etc.
- Devices are extracted using extract... commands.
 - Each needs a 'recognition region' i.e. a layer that uniquely identifies the type of device (e.g. gate = geomAnd(poly, active))
- Extraction uses PCells to form devices with a polygon outline created from the recognition region.
- Extracted view can be used for LVS or for netlisting (File->Export CDL...



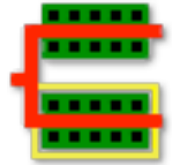
saveInterconnect

- saveInterconnect() is used to save shapes with connectivity to the extracted view when running extraction.

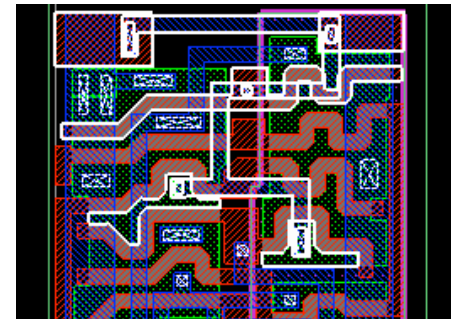
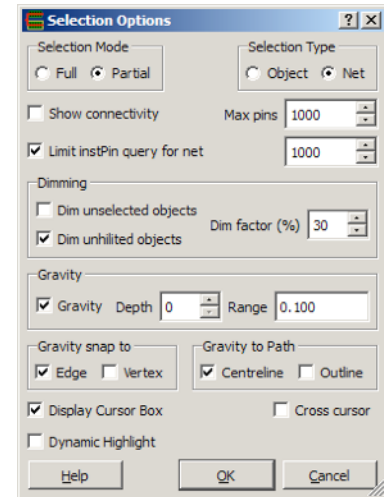
```
saveInterconnect([  
    [psub, "psub"],  
        nwell,  
        [ndiff, "od"],  
        [pdiff, "od"],  
        [polyg, "polyg"],  
        cont,  
        metal1,  
        via12,  
        metal2])
```

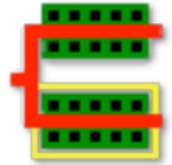
- Save layers **must** be derived from geomConnect()
- Any derived layer **must** be saved to a named layer
 - The layer will be created if not defined by the techfile

Running Extraction



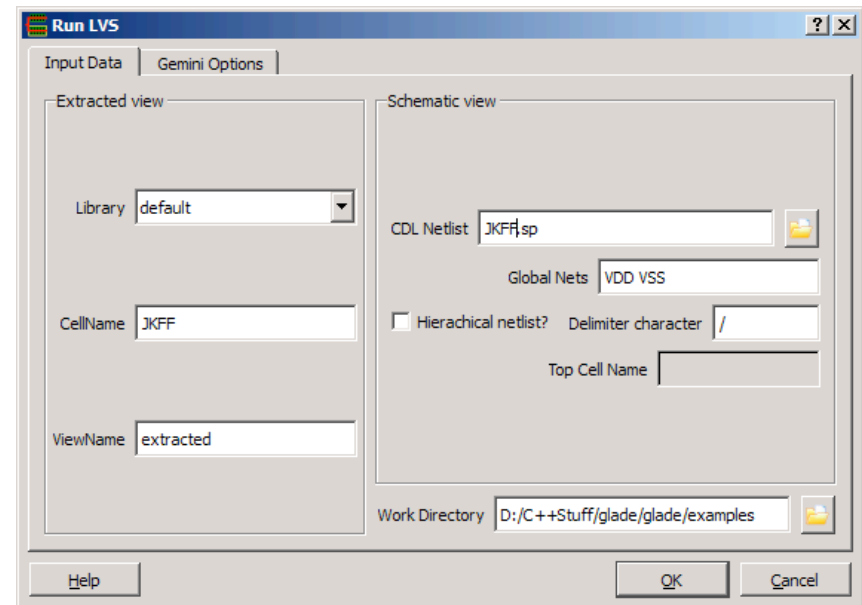
- Env var GLADE_EXT_FILE sets extraction rules file in 'Verify->DRC->Run' dialog
- Env var GLADE_DRC_WORK_DIR sets location of temporary files
- Set 'Selection Type' to 'Net' to select all shapes on a net in the extracted view.
- Extraction will report any shorts found.



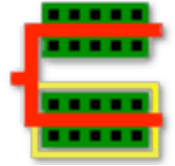


Running LVS

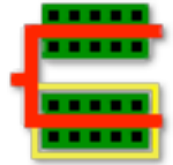
- Prerequisites:
 - Extraction must have completed successfully with no errors.
 - A flat or hierarchical CDL/Spice netlist must be available.
 - Optionally, layout should have labels for primary IOs and power/ground (helps Gemini) or an equivalence file (matches layout net names to CDL/Spice net names)
 - Env var GLADE_NETLIST_FILE can be set to CDL netlist file name to preset the LVS form
- For Gemini options, see Gemini documentation
 - (www-scf.usc.edu/~ee577/manual/gemini_man.ps)



Python programming



Python Programming



- Glade has an embedded Python interpreter.
- Database, GUI and geometry processing (DRC/Extract/LVS) C++ code is wrapped using SWIG to give Python callable functions.
- Python code can be executed using File->Run Script... or typed into the command line.
- Python cmd line supports history (use up/down arrows) and standard QLineEdit ctrl character sequences.

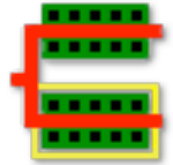
```
>>> # INFO: Opened cell ECAD3 view layout
>>> cv = getEditCellView()
>>> print cv
<ui.cellViewPtr; proxy of C++ cellView instance at _2001e3ff_p_cellView>
>>> cv.bBox()
<ui.RectPtr; proxy of C++ Rect instance at _a008e2ff_p_Rect>
>>> cv.cellName()
'ECAD3'
>>>
```

The screenshot shows a 'Message Window' with a 'Ready' status bar. The window contains a list of Python commands and their corresponding outputs. Two red arrows point from the text labels below to the input and output areas of the window.

Python
command line

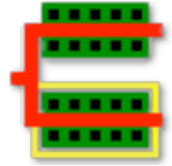
Python output
to the
message
window

Python Programming



- Python looks for modules in PYTHONPATH env var!
 - Glade adds to this according to platform
 - %GLADE_HOME% (Windows & Mac)
 - \$GLADE_HOME/bin (Linux)
 - You may want to add paths to e.g. PCell libraries.
- Python distribution libraries are at
 - %GLADE_HOME%/Python27 (WIN32/64 – contains libs and DLLs)
 - \$PYTHONHOME (Linux/Mac) OR:
 - /usr/local/lib/python2.6 (Linux)
 - /usr/lib/python2.7 (Mac)

Example Python code



```
from ui import *
ui = cvar.uiptr
lib = library("fred")
cv = lib.dbOpenCellView("test", "layout", 'w')
tech = lib.tech()
layer = tech.createLayer("layer1", "drawing")
ui.openCellView(lib.libName(), cv.cellName(), "layout")
nPoints=4
x = intarray(nPoints)
y = intarray(nPoints)
x[0] = 1000 y[0] = 1000
x[1] = 6000 y[1] = 1000
x[2] = 6000 y[2] = 3000
x[3] = 1000 y[3] = 3000
poly = cv.dbCreatePolygon(x, y, nPoints, layer, 1)
angle = 30.0
origin = Point(1000,1000)
trans = dbTransform64(angle, origin)
poly.transform(trans)
cv.update()
ui.winRedraw()
```

```
# Import the swig wrappers
# Get the pointer to the ui class
# Create a library
# Create a new cellView in the library
# Get the tech class associated with the library
# Create a layer we can draw on
# Open the cellView in the gui so we can see it

# Create an array of 4 points

# Create a polygon (default dbu/micron is 1000)

# Create the transform

# Update the cellView (after object(s) are created)
# Redraw the gui
```