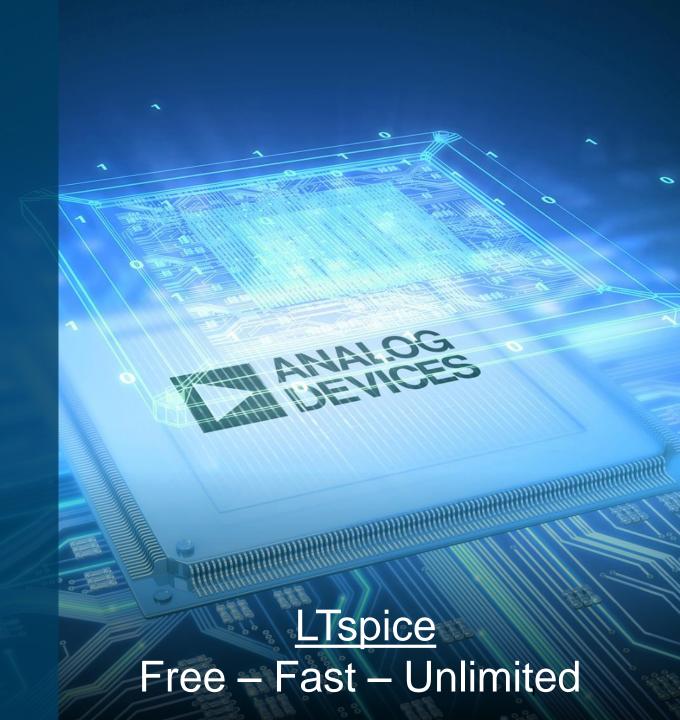


Third-Party Models, Creating and Editing Symbols, and Managing Libraries in LTspice

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Agenda

- Importing Third Party Models
- Creating Schematic Symbols
- Managing Libraries
- Additional resources and tools
- Homework assignment





Importing Third Party Models

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Two Types of Third-Party SPICE Models

MODEL

- Intrinsic SPICE devices like diodes and transistors
 - Behavior of the device is intrinsically understood by SPICE
- Statement provide the parameters to specify the component's electrical characteristics

SUBCKT

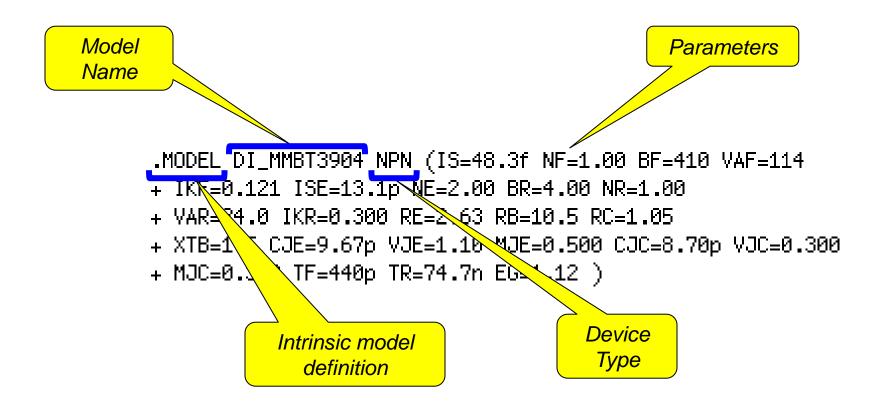
Define the modeled component by a collection of circuitry (of intrinsic SPICE devices) like an op amp

The method to import a model in LTspice depends on whether the model is given as a .MODEL or a .SUBCKT



Intrinsic SPICE Models Syntax

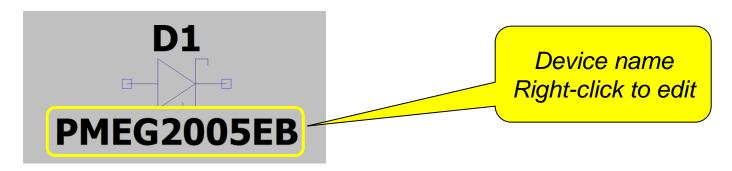
.model <modelname > <Device Type > (<parameter list>)





Importing Intrinsic SPICE Models

- Download the model file from the manufacturer's website to your development directory
- Add .include [path(optional)] spicemodel_filename.abc directive to the schematic
 - Path can be omitted if the file is in the same directory as schematic file (recommended)
- Open model file in LTspice and note the device name and device type
- Add the device type symbol and edit the component attribute (Ctrl + right click) to match the device name contained in the SPICE model file



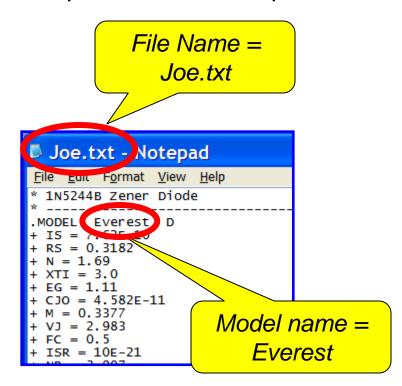


Third-Party Intrinsic Models – Model File

Spice Model Example #1:

File Name = 1N5244B.mod IN5244B.mod - Notepad File East Format View Help 1N5244B Zener Diode 1N5244B1 D 1N5244B1

Spice Model Example #2:



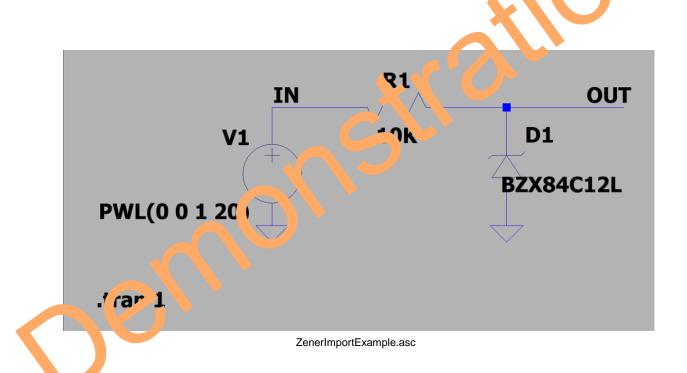
The file name in the .include statement must match the model file name

The symbol's device name in the schematic must match the model's name



Importing Third-Party Spice Models

Modify "ZenerImportExample.asc" so it uses the 1N5244B third-party SPICE model.



Do not torget to place the .include statement on the schematic



Subcircuits Syntax

Subcircuit model definition

Nodes

.subckt <modelname> <nodelist>
 <circuit of intrinsic devices>
 <definition of intrinsic models>
.ends

Intrinsic models defined within a .subckt are only accessible within that .subckt model

> Intrinsic models within subckt

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SUBCKT SIS892DN D G S
M1 3 GX S S NMOS W= 1110755
                                                  Model
M2 S GX S D PMOS W= 1116756u L= 3.310e-07
                                                  Name
R1 D 3 1.577e-02 TC=7.417e-03 1.832e-05
CGS GX S 4.316e-10
CGD GX D 1.423e-11
RG G GY 5.5
RTCV 100 S 1e6 TC=2.273e-05 -2.394t-07
ETCV GX GY 100 200 1
                                               Circuit
ITCV S 100 1u
                                             Definition
VTCV 200 S 1
DBD S D DBD
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+ KP = 1.242e-05 NSUB = 1.365e+17 KAPPA = 2.400e-03
+ ETA = 1.000e-07 NFS = 7.622e+11 LD = 0 IS = 0 TPG = 1)
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+ IS = 0 TPG = -1 
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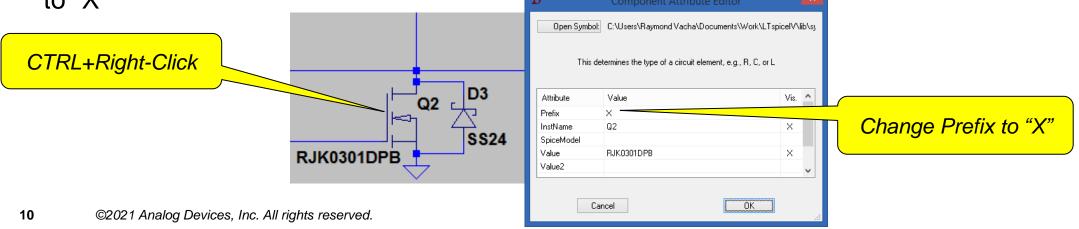
.ends

Importing Subckt SPICE Models

- ► If the .subckt model does not have a schematic symbol or one is not available in LTspice, create a new one (covered next)
- Verify the .subckt model is a match for the associated symbol:
 - subckt model has the same number of nodes as there are pins on the schematic symbol
 - The symbol's netlist order matches the sequence of the model's nodes
 - Left most node in the model definition is associated to the 1st position of the netlist order
 - Increments as such until the right most node corresponds to the last netlist order position
- Repeat the steps used to import a third-party intrinsic spice model

► In the symbol component attribute editor (Ctrl-Right-Click on the symbol), change the device's prefix to "X"

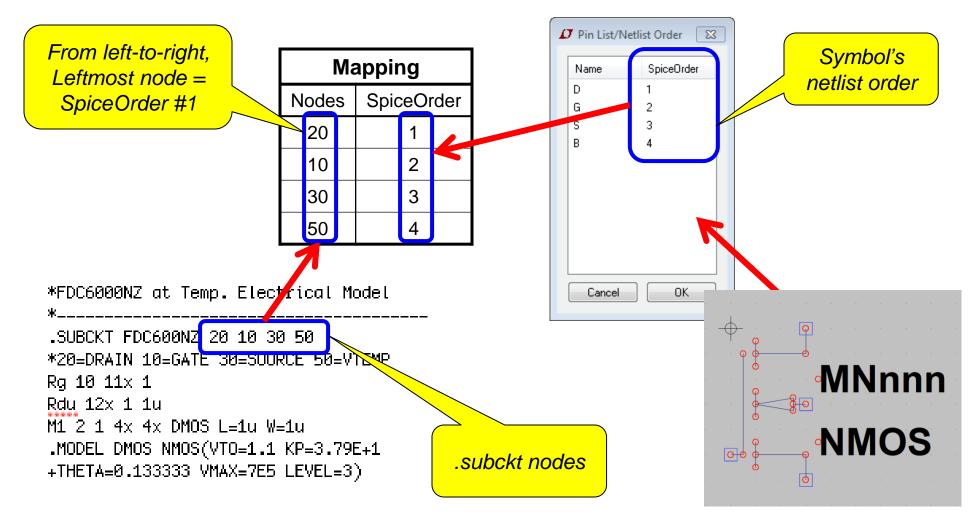
Component Attribute Editor





Importing Third-Party Subckt Models

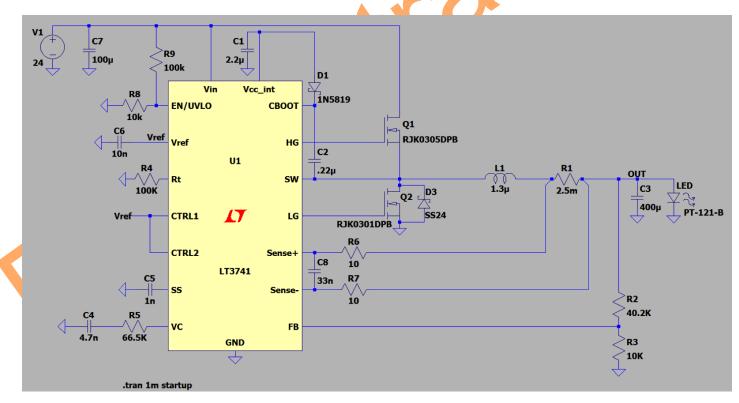
Symbol's netlist order and model's node sequence





Importing Third-Party Subckt Models

 Change the "LT3741.asc" circuit so it uses the PSMN2R2-30YLC FET subcircuit model instead of the RJK0301DPB





Including Model Libraries .INC and .LIB Statements

- ► .LIB directive will only add models (.model and .subckt) from the specified file
 - Other directives within the file, for example a .IC statement, would be ignored
- ► The .INC directive will include everything in the specified file into your project, regardless if it is a model, directive or anything else

.LIB is safer to use when it comes to importing models





Creating Schematic Symbols

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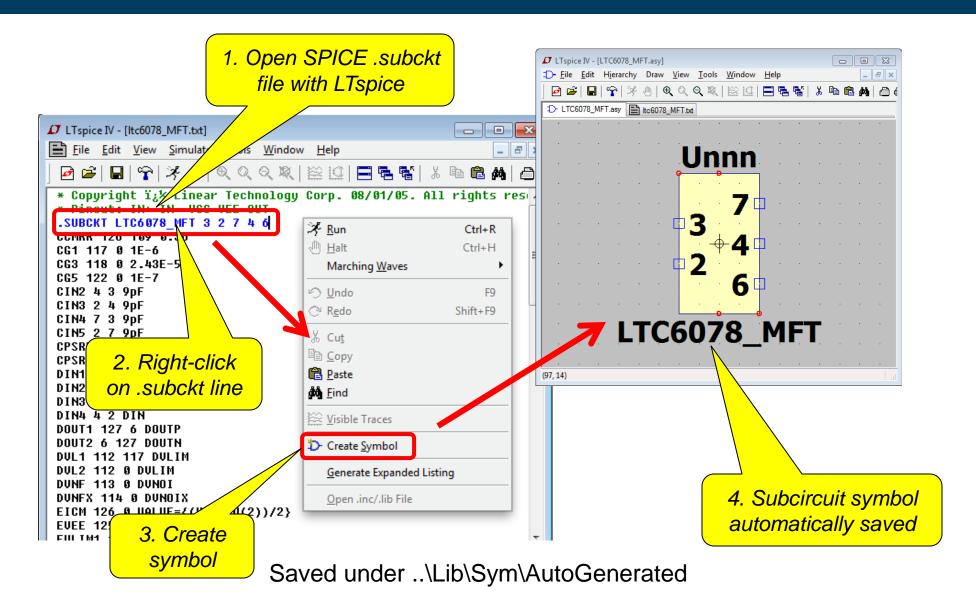
A Symbol Can Be Automatically Generated In Two Situations

Subcircuit models

- When editing an ASCII netlist that contains subcircuit definitions, you place the cursor on the line containing the name of the subcircuit, right click, and execute context menu item "Create Symbol"
- Saved under ..\Lib\Sym\AutoGenerated
- Hierarchical schematic
 - When editing a schematic, you can execute menu item Hierarchy → Open this Sheet's Symbol
 - When no symbol is found, LTspice will ask if you would like one automatically generated
 - Saved under the "working" folder



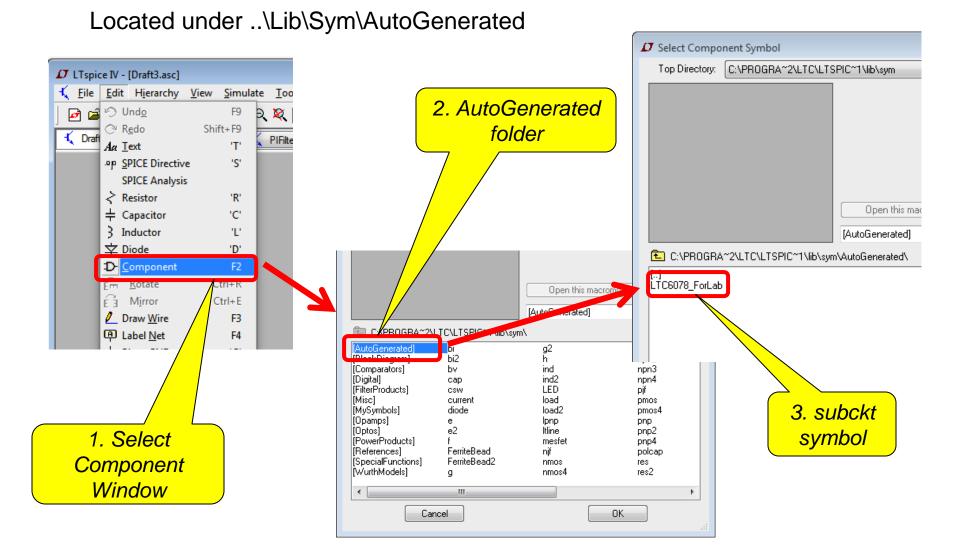
Automatic Symbol Creation - Subcircuits





Automatic Symbol Creation - Subcircuits

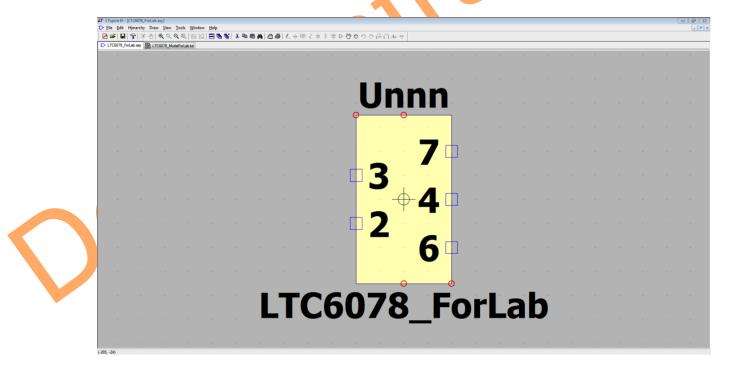
► The symbol can be placed on a schematic via the "Select Component Symbol" window.





Automatic Symbol Creation - Subcircuits

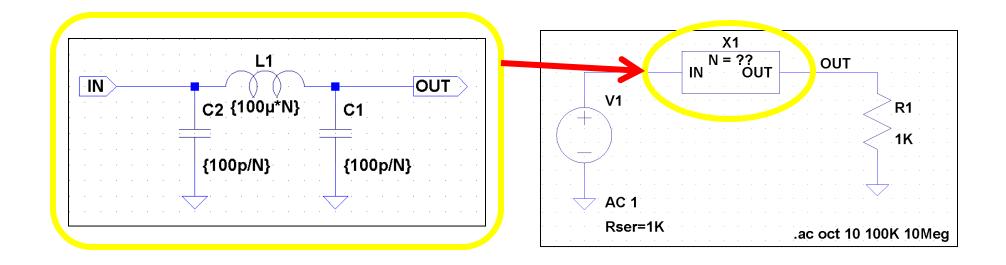
- Create the symbol for the "LTC6078ForLab" model using the automatic symbol creation feature.
- ► The model file, "LTC6078ModelForLab.txt"
- ► Once generated, use the "LTC6078TestCircuit.asc" circuit to Verify the newly created model.





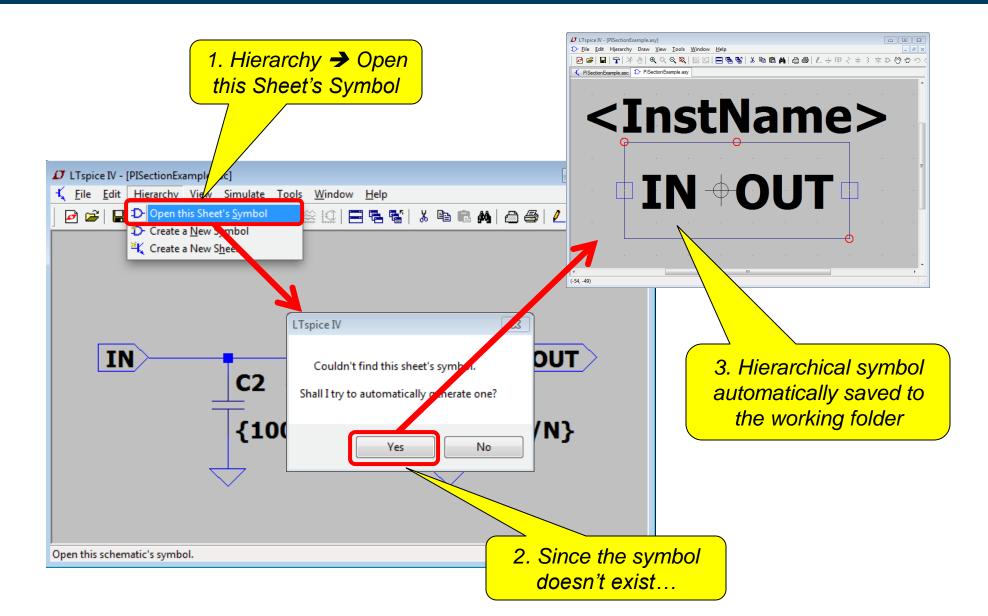
Hierarchical Schematics

- ► Encapsulate larger circuits can be drafted while retaining the clarity of the smaller schematics
- Abstraction allows schematics to be handled in so that is can be used across several schematics





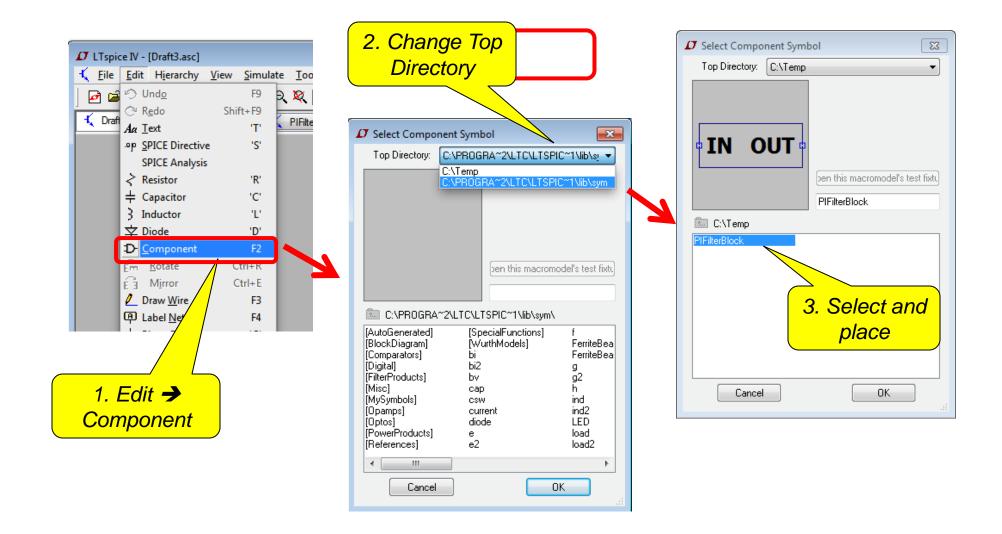
Automatic Symbol Creation - Hierarchical





Automatic Symbol Creation – Hierarchical symbols

► To place a hierarchical block on a schematic:

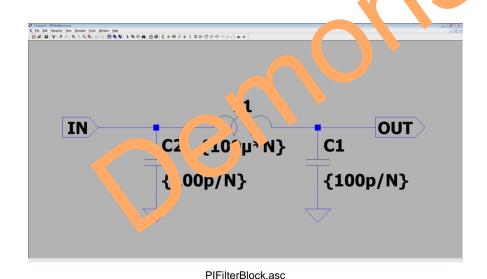


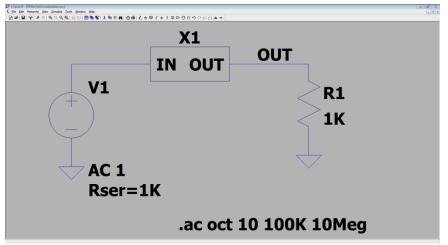


Automatic Symbol Creation - Hierarchical

 Using the automatic symbol creation feature, create a hierarchical symbol for the circuit "PIFilterBlock.asc".

► Once the symbol is created, verify its functionality by using the 'est jig "PIFilterTestCircuit.asc".





PIFilterTestCircuit



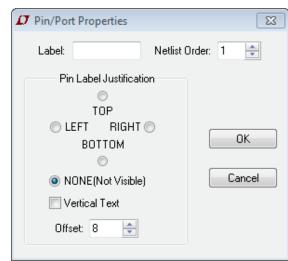
Creating/Editing schematic symbol

- Editing the symbols can significantly improve its ease-of-use
 - The automatically generated symbols might not be effective and easy to wire-up
- ► To launch the symbol editor:
 - Ctrl+RightClick on the symbol then "Open Symbol"
 - File pull-down menu → New symbol,
 - Open up a known symbol (.asy). File menu → Open



Symbol Editing – Drafting and Adding Pins

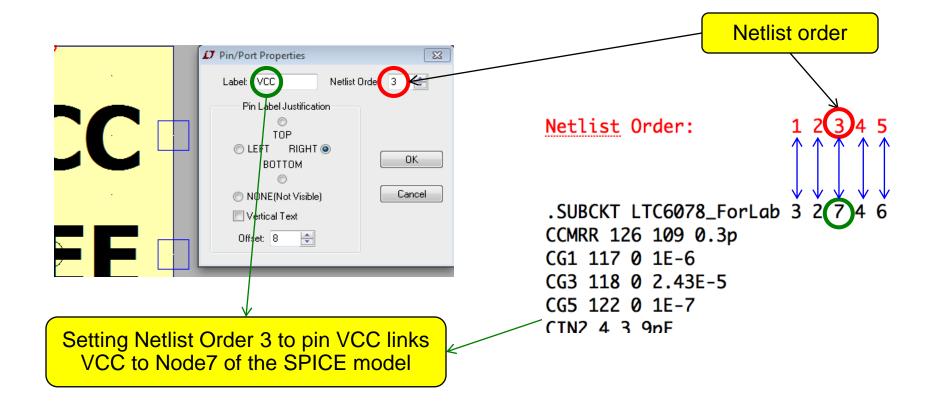
- Drafting [Draw menu]:
 - Use Draw to sketch the symbol
- Add Pin/Port [Edit menu]:
 - The "Pin Label Position" determines how the pin label is presented (text justification).
 - Label: If the symbol represents ...
 - a SPICE primitive element or a subcircuit from a library, then the pin label has no direct electrical impact on the circuit.
 - the lower-level schematic of a hierarchical schematic, then the pin name is significant as the name of a net in the lower level schematic.
 - The "Netlist Order" determines the order this pin is netlisted for SPICE





Symbol Editing – Pins and Netlist order

- "Netlist Order" determines the order this pin is netlisted for SPICE
 - It links a pin to a node of a SPICE model
 - The left most node in the model definition is associated to the 1st position of the netlist order and increments as such until the right most node corresponds to the last netlist order position.







Managing Libraries

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LTspice Standard Library Files

- RCL Libraries (easy to edit and expand)
 - standard.res
 - standard.cap
 - standard.ind
 - standard.bead
- Intrinsic Device Libraries (more complicated to edit and expand)
 - standard.dio
 - standard.bjt
 - standard.mos
 - standard.jft

File path for standard library files: C:\Program Files\LTC\LTspiceXVII\lib\cmp

Custom entries into the standard library files will not be removed by a Sync Release. See caveat on next page.



Managing Standard Library Files

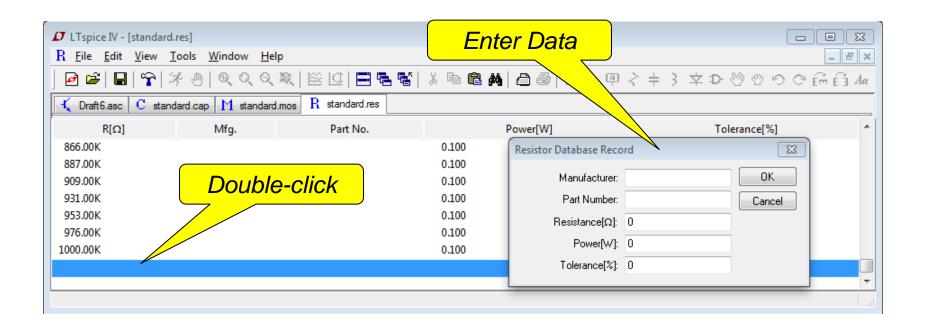
- Open the library file you want to edit using LTspice
- Custom entries into the standard library files will not be removed by a Sync Release but...
- ► A fresh re-installation of LTspice will delete the entire content of the standard library files
 - Not recommended unless you archive your installation



Managing Resistor, Inductor, and Capacitor Database Files

To add an entry to an RLC library file:

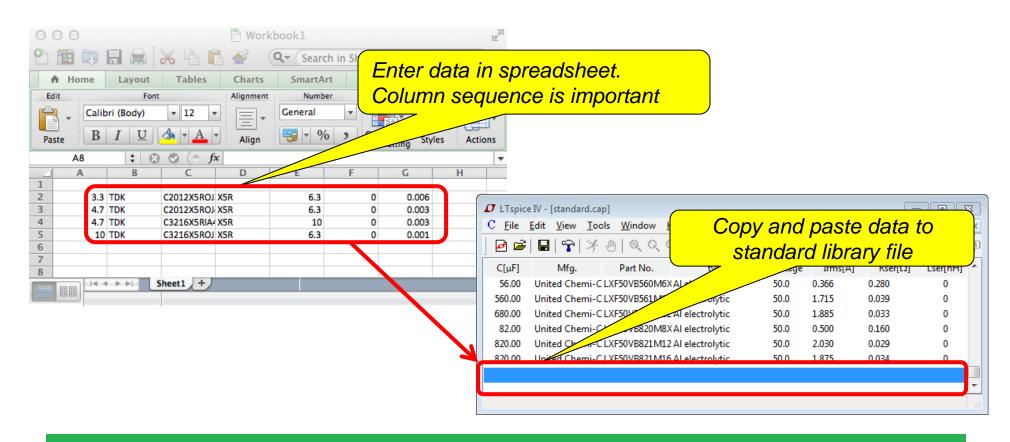
- Scroll to the end of the library file
- Double-click right below the last row of data (empty row)
- Fill-in the fields in the "Database record" pop-up window





Managing RLC Database Files

► To add multiple entries using a spreadsheet:



This technique works well with data from parametric tables or datasheet tables.



Managing RLC Libraries

1.) Add a new tantalum capacitor which has the following characteristics to the standard.cap library:

Manufacturer: Dummy Inc.

Part number: CNEW

Capacitance: 133uF

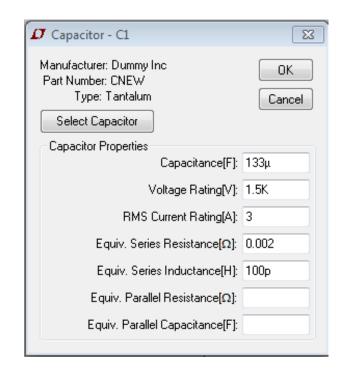
Voltage: 1500V

RMS Current: 3A

ESR: 2mOhm

Parasitic inductance: 0.1nH

2.) Place CNEW on a LTspice schematic and verify that its parameters match the ones listed above.





Adding a Device To An Intrinsic Device Library File (Eg Diode, Transistor, FET)

1.) Download or create a .model statement

.SUBCKT is not a valid model to add to an LTspice Intrinsic device library

If the .model statement is not available for that .SUBCKT model, then it must be created.

2.) Copy the .model statement

The syntax must be:

.model <modelname> <type> (<parameter list>)

where <type> can be:

- D: Diode
- NPN, PNP: Bipolar Transistors
- NJF, PJF: N and P-Channel JFET transistors
- VDMOS: Vertical Double Diffused Power MOSFET
- Other MOS types are available but not as widely used in the standard.mos library (refer to LTspiceHelp for additional details)



Managing Intrinsic Device Libraries

To add a device to an Intrinsic Device library file (cont.):

In LTspice open up the library file, scroll to the end of the library file, and paste the copied .model statement into an empty row.

(Optional) Annotate the .model statement with part ratings & manufacturer specifics. This information is displayed in the schematic capture GUI to assist in selecting a device but does not directly impact the electrical behavior in simulation.

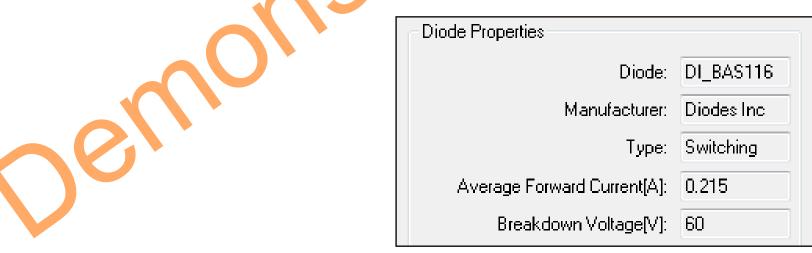
- Available part ratings / mfg information to add are:
 - Diode: Vpk= [V], lave= [A], mfg= [name], type= [name]
 - MOS: Vds= [V], Ron= [ohm], Qg= [C], mfg = [name]
 - Bipolar: Vceo= [V], Icrating= [A], mfg= [name]
 - JFET: mfg= [name]
- Annotated model example:



Managing Intrinsic Device Libraries

Add Diodes Inc's BAS116 diode model to the standard.dio library

- 1) The model can be copied from the file DI_BAS116.txt
- 2) Add the manufacturer information and part ratings that vill be displayed in the schematic capture GUI
- 3) Open "DiodeLibraryExample.asc" and follow the Items listed to verify the newly added model
- 4) Verify that the "Diode Properties" window looks like this:

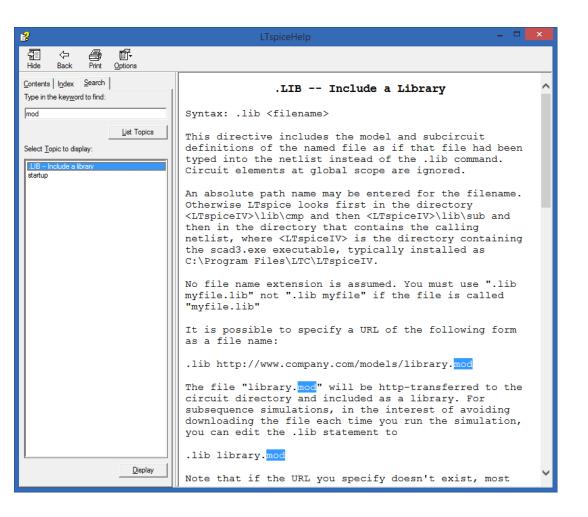


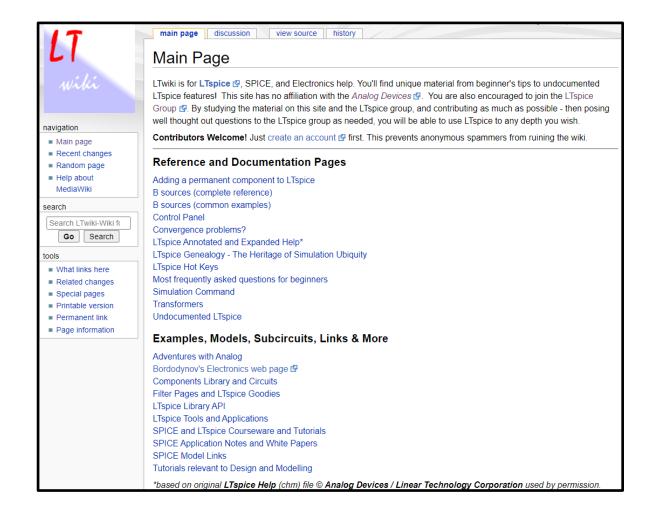


Quick Review of Additional Resources and Support

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LTspice Help File (F1) and Independent LTwiki.org

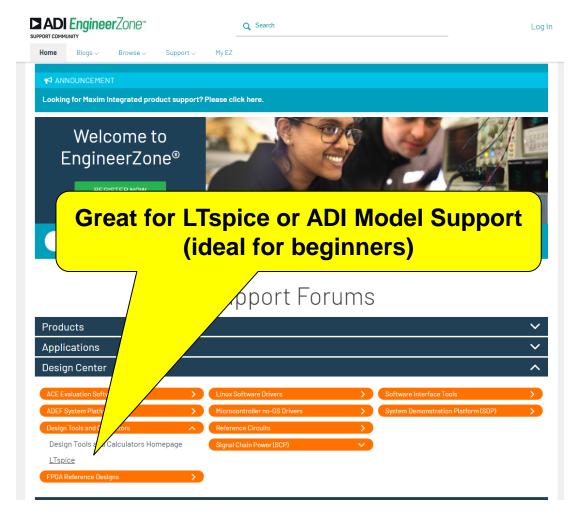




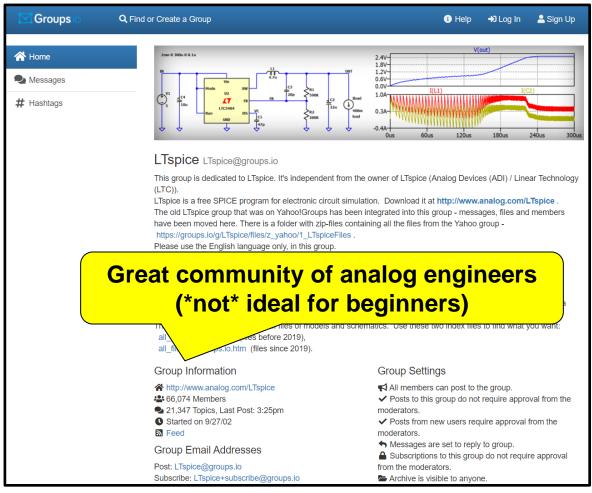


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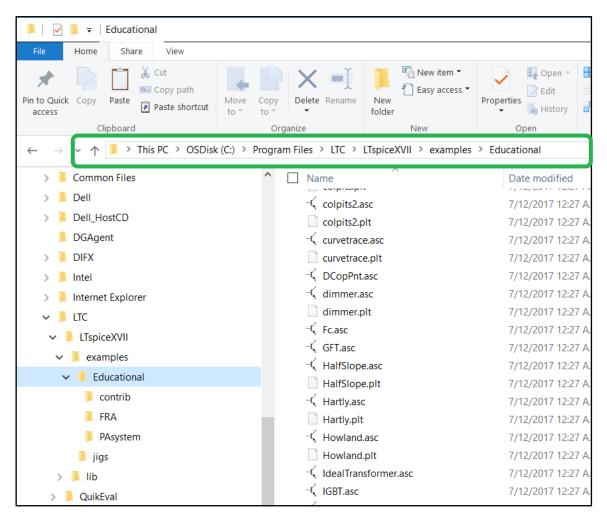
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Launching LTspice Demo Circuits

- Step 1: Download and install LTspice on your computer.
- . Step 2: Click on the link in the section below to download a specific demonstration circuit.
- Step 3: If LTspice does not automatically open after clicking the link below, you can instead run the simulation by right
 clicking on the link and selecting "Save Target As." After saving the file to your computer, start LTspice and open the
 demonstration circuit by selecting 'Open' from the 'File' menu.

Download a zip file containing the complete collection of demo circuits shown below.

Search:					
Product		Demonstration Circuit			
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LT3942	9/7/2021	LT3942 - 5A LED Flash. 2MHz Buck-Boost Cap Charger w/ 1A Input Current Limit + Low-Side Current Sink. 30Hz PWM Frequency - 1ms PWM Pulse Width.			
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LTspice Technical Support on Software Bugs and ADI Models

- ► LTspice@analog.com
 - Please provide the following details and attach your LTspice schematic file (.asc), project file (.plt), and any non-standard model and symbol files (.asy, .lib, .txt, etc.)
 - Full Name:
 - Organization:
 - Phone Number:
 - Application:
 - Primary ADI Parts:
 - Detailed Description:

If you have an issue with a third-party model, please contact that vendor for support!



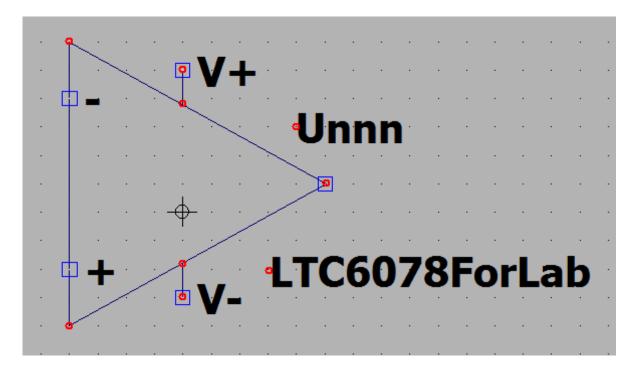


Homework

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Homework

Modify the previously generated LTC6078ForLab symbol so it looks like an op amp



► Once completed, reuse the "LTC6078TestCircuit.asc" circuit to verify the symbol is still functional



Happy Simulations!

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