

## 4 NAME

5 write\_floorplan

6 Writes floorplan information to files.

## 7 SYNTAX

8 status write\_floorplan
9 [-include include\_list]
10 [-exclude exclude\_list]
11 [-output dir\_name]
12 [-force]
13 [-nosplit]
14 [-format icc | icc2]
15 [-objects objects\_list]
16 [-blocks blocks\_list]
17 [-def\_units 100 | 200 | 1000 | 2000 | 10000 | 20000]
18 [-compress gzip | none]
19 [-add\_def\_dependencies true | false]
20 [-via\_as\_fixed]
21 [-routed\_nets]
22 [-include\_physical\_status include\_physical\_status\_list]
23 [-exclude\_physical\_status exclude\_physical\_status\_list]
24 [-cell\_types cell\_types\_list]
25 [-net\_types net\_types\_list]
26 [-read\_def\_options option\_string]
27 [-def\_version version]

## 28 Data Types

29 include\_list list
30 exclude\_list list
31 dir\_name string
32 objects\_list collection
33 blocks\_list collection
34 include\_physical\_status\_list list
35 exclude\_physical\_status\_list list
36 cell\_types\_list list
37 net\_types\_list list
38 option\_string string
39 version string

## 40 ARGUMENTS

41 -include include\_list
42 Specifies the types of data to include in the output. This
43 option cannot be specified together with the -exclude or
44 -objects options. If this option is not specified, all types are
45 included by default.

46 The supported types are:

- 47
48 o blockages
49
50 o bounds
51
52 o cells
53
54 o corridors
55
56 o die\_area
57
58 o edit\_groups
59
60 o io\_guides
61
62 o macros
63
64 o module\_boundaries

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70
71         o nets
72
73         o pin_guides
74
75         o pins
76
77         o route_guides
78
79         o rows
80
81         o tracks
82
83         o vias
84
85         o scan_chains
86
87         o routing_directions
88
89         o voltage_areas
90
91         o fills
92
93         o pg_metal_fills
94
95         o routing_rules
96
97         o pg_regions
98
99         o placement_attractions
100
101         o bump_regions
102
103         o anchors
104
105         Specify -include macros to output only macro cells and skip
106         standard cells. Specify -include cells to output all cells. If
107         you specify -include {macros cells}, the command issues a warn-
108         ing message that macros will be ignored.
109
110     -exclude exclude_list
111         Specifies the types of data to exclude from the output. This
112         option cannot be specified with the -include option or -objects
113         options. If this option is specified, the command writes all
114         types, except the types specified in exclude_list. The allowed
115         data types are the same as for the -include option.
116
117     -output dir_name
118         Specifies the name of the directory in which to write the floor-
119         plan files. The default is ./floorplan. If the directory already
120         exists, the command issues an error message, unless -force is
121         also specified.
122
123     -force Overwrites floorplan files in the ./floorplan directory, or in
124         the directory specified by the -output dir_name option. By
125         default, the command issues an error message and exits if the
126         directory exists.
127
128     -nosplit
129         Writes out long lines, even if the line length is greater than
130         80 columns. Use this option to simplify post-processing of the
131         output constraint files or when comparing the constraint files
132         by using the UNIX diff command. If this option is not specified,
133         the command breaks long lines near column 80 and inserts a line
134         continuation character (\).
135
136     -format icc | icc2
137         Specifies the target tool for which to write the floorplan.
138         Valid values are icc and icc2. By default, the value is icc2.

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140     To take floorplan information to the Design Compiler tool (in
141     topographical mode) for RTL resynthesis with floorplan informa-
142     tion such as macro placement), use the -format icc option. The
143     EXAMPLES section contains an example of this flow.
144
145     -objects objects_list
146         Specifies the objects to include in the output. Supported object
147         types are cells, ports, blockages, voltage areas, bounds, edit
148         groups, routing corridors, module boundaries, PG regions, site
149         rows, bump_regions, anchors and site arrays. Objects of other
150         types are ignored.
151
152         This option cannot be specified with the -include, -exclude, or
153         -blocks options.
154
155     -blocks blocks_list
156         Specifies the blocks to output hierarchically. If this option is
157         not specified, only the top-level block is written. This option
158         cannot be combined with the -objects option.
159
160     -def_units 100 | 200 | 1000 | 2000 | 10000 | 20000
161         Specifies the number of units per micron in the DEF file. All
162         database length units are scaled accordingly in the output DEF.
163         If not specified, the units per micron is obtained from the
164         technology length precision. Valid values are 100, 200, 1000,
165         2000, 10000, and 20000. This option is passed to the DEF writer
166         and the behavior is identical to the -units option of the
167         write_def command.
168
169     -compress gzip | none
170         Specifies the compression type to use when writing the .DEF
171         file. By default, no compression is performed.
172
173     -add_def_dependencies true | false
174         Specifies whether to add dependencies (sections not requested)
175         to the .DEF file to make it self-sufficient. For example, if
176         this option is set to true, if nets are in the -include list but
177         vias are not, the VIAS section will be added anyway; if the
178         option is set to false, it will not be added. The default is
179         true.
180
181     -via_as_fixed
182         Indicates that all the via definitions are written out as fixed
183         vias in the output file.
184
185     -routed_nets
186         Indicates that all the nets written out in the output are routed
187         nets, that is, each net has at least one shape associated it.
188
189     -include_physical_status include_physical_status_list
190         Specifies which cells to include in the output based on their
191         physical status. When you use this option, all of the specified
192         cells are included in the generated DEF file. The physical sta-
193         tus can be one or more of the following:
194
195         all
196         application_fixed
197         fixed
198         legalize_only
199         locked
200         placed
201         unplaced
202
203     -exclude_physical_status exclude_physical_status_list
204         Specifies which cells to exclude in the output file based on
205         their physical status. When you use this option, all of the
206         specified cell are included in the generated DEF file except for
207         those whose physical status is specified in the exclude_physi-

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208         cal_status_list.
209
210     -include_physical_status and -exclude_physical_status are mutu-
211     ally exclusive.
212
213     -cell_types cell_types_list
214         Specifies which cells to include in the output DEF file based on
215         their types. When you use this option, all of the specified
216         cells are excluded in the generated file except for those whose
217         cell types is specified in the cell_types_list. These are the
218         specifiable cell types:
219
220         corner
221         end_cap
222         pad
223         flip_chip_pad
224         flip_chip_driver
225         pad_spacer
226         macro
227         lib_cell
228
229     -net_types net_types_list
230         Specifies which nets to include in the output DEF file based on
231         their types. When you use this option, all of the specified
232         nets are excluded in the generated file except for those whose
233         net types is specified in the net_types_list. The net types can
234         be one or more of the following:
235
236         clock
237         ground
238         power
239         signal
240
241     -read_def_options option_string
242         Specifies options to include with the read_def command that is
243         written to the floorplan file.
244
245     -def_version version
246         Specifies the DEF syntax version used to create floorplan.def
247         file. Valid values are 5.7 and 5.8. The default is DEF version
248         5.8.
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#### DESCRIPTION

The write\_floorplan command writes the floorplan.tcl Tcl script **and** floorplan.def DEF file. The floorplan.def file generally includes the objects that are numerous, as sourcing the corresponding Tcl would be **time-consuming**. The floorplan.tcl contains the remaining floorplan constructs **and** a read\_def command to load the floorplan.def file. To restore the floorplan, source the floorplan.tcl Tcl script.

By **default**, the floorplan files are written to a directory named ./floorplan. The destination can be changed by using the **-output** option. The command also writes a third file, floorplan\_compare\_data.txt, that contains information to **use** when comparing the output **with** a **new design** by using the compare\_floorplans command. If the **-blocks** option is used, the command creates subdirectories **with** names corresponding to the list of blocks.

The write\_floorplan command writes out user attributes associated **with** objects to the Tcl script. In the IC Compiler tool, there is no shape **or** via object associated **with** a terminal. In **this case**, the script sets user attributes from the terminal **and** shape **or** via object on the terminal **for** the IC Compiler tool. If there is a conflict between values of the same **attribute**, a higher precedence is given to the value set on the terminal.

This command returns 1 on success, 0 otherwise.

#### EXAMPLES

The following example writes floorplan files to the script directory.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -output script
```

The following example writes only cells **and** blockages.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -include {cells blockages}
```

The following example writes macros hierarchically **for** all blocks.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -include {macros} -blocks [get_blocks *:]
```

The following example writes the selected objects **and** ignores objects that belong to unsupported types.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -objects [get_selection]
```

The following example writes floorplan information in icc format. This could be used to **export** the floorplan information to the Design Compiler tool (in topographical mode) where the RTL is resynthesized **with this** floorplan information. Non-PG nets **and** non-fixed cells are **not** needed **for** re-synthesis **and** so they can be filtered out of the DEF file by using post-processing.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -format icc
```

The following example writes out the floorplan file **for** all blocks. To load back floorplan file **for** each block, one method is source the floorplan.tcl Tcl script, the other method is **use** set\_constraint\_mapping\_file floorplan/mapfile **and** load\_block\_constraints **-type** FLOORPLAN **-all\_blocks**.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -output floorplan -blocks [lsort -unique \
[get_attribute [get_cells -hierarchical -filter is_soft_macro] ref_name]
```

The following example writes out the floorplan file **and** includes the **-add\_def\_only\_objects {cells}** **and** **-no\_incremental** options to the read\_def command written to the floorplan file.

```
prompt> write_floorplan -output "dirName" -nosplit -verbosity low \
-def_version 5.8 -read_def_options {-add_def_only_objects {cells} -
no_incremental}
```

SEE ALSO

```
compare_floorplans(2)
read_def(2)
write_def(2)
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