CadPack Import from Orcad

Software tool for import part/net list from Orcad

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Introduction

CAD files are the base for the automatic generation of test program for InCircuit of any technology.

In order to generate the ICT test program in a short time and without errors, both Bed of Nails and Flying Probe testers require the circuit information available in CAD format.

The Import from Orcad software tool converts the CAD files of the board from the Orcad format to the SPEA board data format.

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1. Orcad file data

With the "Orcad CAD files" words we refer to the output information generated by the Orcad CAD-CAE programs for the electrical diagrams design and PCB development, used to develop a test application (test program and adapter design).

Information stored in the "Orcad CAD files" concern an electronic board and can be used by an appropriate program to generate a test program and its test adapter design (Bed of Nails or list of movement for Flying Probes).

Information can be grouped in 4 different categories and typically are related to the printed circuit:

Part List

It is the list of all used devices, it must contain: devices drawing reference, part numbers, value, tolerances, device type, etc.

Net List

It is also called wiring list, containing device interconnection data; basically it is presentation of the electrical diagram.

Coordinate and access list

It is the list containing the devices coordinates, concerning their barycentre and pins.

Wiring and Routing list

It is the list containing the path of the Net tracks in the PCB.

For the import of the information above mentioned SPEA has developed the specific program for the translation, stored in a specified format, to its common data bank called "Board Data". The name of this type of program is "CAD import driver".

For the required information, see the list in the following paragraphs.



1.1 Part List

The Part List is an ASCII text file, containing the list of all the parts used to assemble the board; sometimes it can be called **Bill of Material** (BOM).

In the Part List all information concerning the mounted and not mounted parts must be present. For every part the following information must be defined:

Information	Description		
Drawing Reference	Reference designator (e.g. U10, R105, D23, etc.).		
Part Number	Device code (e.g. 132549.012, C4QW08, 001-58-AA, etc.).		
Value	Device value (e.g. 10KΩ, 10μF, 1mH, etc.).		
Tolerance	Positive and negative device tolerances (e.g. 1%, 5%, etc.).		
Mounting side	The legal values for this item can be: - Top (Component side) - Bottom (Soldering side) - Not mounted Top - Not mounted Bottom		
Rotation ¹	Device mounting rotation angle (e.g. 0°, 180°, etc.).		
Dimensions ¹	Device dimensions.		
Case code 1	Device package (case) code.		

¹ Optional data (not yet managed)

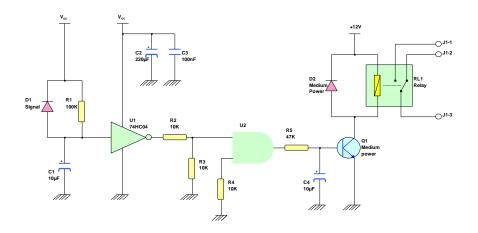


1.2 Net List

The Net List is an ASCII text file containing the device interconnection data; it is also called wiring list. This list must contain the interconnection between devices, including pad and via. Basically, it is the representation of the electrical diagrams.

For every net, the following information must be defined:

Information	Description		
Net name	Net identifier (e.g. +5V, RESET, A01, etc.).		
Drawing reference	Reference designator of the device connected to the net (e.g. U10, R105, D23, etc.).		
Pin name	Name of the device pin connected to the net (e.g. 1, 15, Anode, K, Negative, etc.).		
Pin access side	Access side for the device pin, legal values are: - Top (Device side access) Bottom (Soldering side access) Not accessible - All (both top and bottom side access)		





1.3 Coordinates and access list

The Coordinates and access list is an ASCII text file containing the devices coordinates concerning their barycentre and pins. Below, the required information:

Information	Description	
Drawing Reference	Reference designator of the device connected to the net (e.g. U10, R105, D23, etc.).	
Pin name	Name of the device pin connected to the net (e.g. 1, 15, Anode, K, Negative, etc.).	
Pin X position	Pin X-coordinate.	
Pin Y position	Pin Y-coordinate.	
X barycentre ¹	Device X barycentre.	
Y barycentre ¹	Device Y barycentre.	

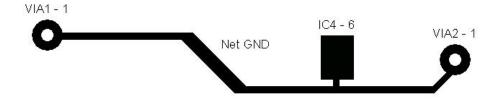
1.4 Wiring and Routing list

The Wiring and Routing list is an ASCII text file that contains all the coordinates of the Net tracks on the PCB and the link with the Net List. So the path of each net on the PCB is described in this file.

For every net the following information must be defined:

Information	Description	
Net name	Net identifier (e.g. +5V, RESET, A01, etc.).	
X Start	Track segment start X-coordinate.	
Y Start	Track segment start Y-coordinate.	
X End	Track segment end X-coordinate.	
Y End	Track segment end Y-coordinate.	
Width	Net segment thickness.	
Layer	Layer the segment belongs to.	

Example:



¹ Optional data



2. Orcad file generalities

The Orcad required files are: <FileName>.PAR <FileName>.NEC

Containing the Part list and the Net list.

The SPEA system is based on a PC platform operating in MS-Windows environment.

The files need to be stored into a directory defined by the user.

The SPEA Import from Orcad software tool can retrieve the Orcad file from each defined disk and directory.



3. Orcad file format

The Orcad files listed below are a significant example of the format that the file must have to be converted into SPEA format.

Demo.PAR

Bill	Of Materia	ls January DD, YYYY	hh:mm:ss	Page1	
Item	Quantity	Reference	Part		
					
1	L 3	C1,C2,C3	1uF 10		Drawing reference
2	2 3	C4,C6,C12	100nF 10		
3	3 2	C7,C18	10uF 20		
4	1 4	R1,R3,R4	10K 5		Value and Talaranae as Davise same
5	5 14	D1,D2,D3,D4,D5,D6,D7,	1N4148		Value and Tolerance or Device name
		D8, D9, D10, D11, D12, D13,			
		D14			
6	5 3	U1,U2,U3	74LS00		

Demo.NEC (Net list is Computervision format)

0001 VCC	C1-2 C2-2	C3-1
0002 GND	R1-1 R2-1	
0003 A9	R1-1 C2-1	
0004 N0004	U1-1 U2-8	D1-1
0005 SIG1	U1-2 U2-7	D2-1
0006 SIG2	U1-3 U2-6	D3-1
0007 SIG3	U2-5 U1-4	D4-1
0008 AA1	U2-4 U1-5	D3-2
0009 AA3	U2-3 U1-6	D4-1



4. Import setting

4.1 Pin function assignment

This assignment table must be filled, in order to execute correctly the CAD file import.

In order to test correctly some polarized devices such as diodes, bipolar transistors, etc., it is basic to identify correctly the pin function (i.e. anode, base, etc.) of each pin.

The fields contained in the table, are described below:

Field	Description	
Device Type	Identifies the type of device (example: Resistors, Capacitors, Digital Devices, Diodes etc.).	
Pin Function	Function concerning the Pin.	
Pin Name	Pin reference.	
Cad Pin	Pin reference in Cad file.	

4.2 Drawing ref. initials/device type assignment

The Orcad file typically contains all information about the devices, such as value, tolerances and type; which are fundamental from the test program generation point of view.

The fields contained in the table are described below:

Field	Description	
Drawing Reference	Initial letter identifying the Device Type .	
Device Type	Identifies the type of device (example: Resistors, Capacitors, Digital Devices, Diodes etc.).	
Default Tol+, Tol-	Value and tolerance of the device only if required (as for resistors).	

It could happen that in the CAD file they are missing. For each drawing reference initial, the displayed table enables to define the following data default values:

- Device type
- Default positive tolerance
- Default negative tolerance

This means that if, for any reason, the CAD file does not contain the information mentioned above, the default values will be used.



5. Component Properties Identification

The ATPG Software of the SPEA Systems requires to identify the following data for each component:

Passive Components:

- Component Family
- ♦ Part Number
- **♦** Component Value
- Tolerance + and -

Other Components:

- **♦** Component Family
- Part Number
- Device Name (commercial name)

The **Component Family** is not specified in the Part List file so it is necessary to fill a table containing the assignment between Drawing Reference initials and Component Family and the CAD Type before executing the import process.

The table contains also the default tolerance for the specified family of the components.

Example:

Device Type	Drawing. ref. initials	Default Tol+	Default Tol-
Capacitor	С	20	20
Resistor	R	10	10
Connector	J		
Digital IC	IC		

For polarized components such as diodes, it is important to identify the pin function (e.g. Anode) of each pin.

Before running the import it is required to edit the pin Id/pin function table.

Example:

Device Type	Pin Function	Pin Id
Diode	Anode	1
Diode	Cathode	2
Polarized Capacitor	Positive	1
Polarized Capacitor	Negative	2



6. Component properties default value

The SPEA Import software automatically assigns a default value if all or part of the component properties are not available in the CAD file.

In this case a further manual ending can be done to perform the required modifications by using the Board Data editor.

The default values are shown in the following table:

Property	Default Value	
Component Family	Not identified	
Value of component	0	
Tolerance	0	
Device Name	None	