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#### 1.1 - Units

Sizes and coordinates are given in mils (1/1000 inch)

#### 1.2 - Header

Format :

**EESchema Schematic File Version 1**

**LIBS:** *libraries list* (not used, for information only).

**EELAYER** *nn mm* (*nn mm* not used, reserved)

**EELAYER END**

**\$Descr** Sheet size *dimx dimy* (sheet size = A4..A0 ou A..E)

*Title block description* (Texts of the title block)

**\$EndDescr**

```
EESchema Schematic Spins Version 1
LIBS:brooktre, cypress, ttl, power, linear, memory, xilinx, idiot, aaci, INTEL, special, device, dsp
EELAYER 20 0
```

```

EELAYER END
$Descr A3 16535 11700
Sheet 1 4
""
Date "28 DEC 1996"
Rev ""
Comp ""
Comment1 ""
Comment2 ""
Comment3 ""
Comment4 ""
$EndDescr

```

### 1.3 - Description of a component

Format:

#### \$Comp

**L** *name reference*

**U** *N mm time\_stamp*

**P** *posx posy*

*List of fields:*

**F** *field\_number "text" orientation posX posY size Flags (see below) hjustify vjustify/italic/bold "name"*

**1** posx posy (redundant: not used)

A B C B ( orientation matrix with A, B, C, D = - 1, 0 or 1)

#### \$EndComp

Description of the fields:

**F** *n "text" orientation posx posy dimension flags hjustify vjustify/italic/bold "name"*

with *n* = field number (reference field = 0, value field = 1, *N* = 0..11 or more)

orientation = H (horizontal) or V (vertical).

- *n* = field number :
  - reference = 0.
  - value = 1.
  - Pcb FootPrint = 2.
  - User doc link = 3. At present time: not used (reserved)
- *n* = 4..11 = fields 1 to 8 (since January 2009 more than 8 field allowed, so *n* can be > 11).
- *text* (delimited by double quotes)
- orientation = H (horizontal) or V (vertical).
- position X and Y
- dimension (default = 50)
- Flags: visibility = 0 (visible) or 1 (invisible)
- hjustify vjustify = L R C B or T
  - L = left
  - R = Right
  - C = centre
  - B = bottom
  - T = Top
- Style: Italic = I or N ( since January 2009)
- Style Bold = B or N ( since January 2009)
- Name of the field (delimited by double quotes) (only if it is not the default name)

Note: vjustify, Italic and Bold are in the same 3 chars word.

Example:

```

Comp
L CONN_3 JP3
U 1 1 329879E1
P 1200 2000
F 0 "JP3" H 1250 2200 60 0000 C CNN
F 1 "CONN_3" V 1350 2000 50 0000 C CNN
F 4 "example" H 8000 4350 60 0000 C CIB "myfield"
1 1200 2000

```

```
1 0 0 - 1
$EndComp
```

## 1.4 - Description of a NoConnect symbol

Format: **NoConn** ~ *posx posy*

Example:

```
NoConn ~ 13400 5500
```

## 1.5 - Description of a hierarchical sheet symbol

Format:

**\$Sheet**

**S** *posx posy dimx dimy*

*List of Sheet Labels*

**\$EndSheet**

Format of Sheet Labels

**F***n* "text" forms side *posx posy* dimension

With:

n = sequence number (0..x).

n = 0: name of the corresponding schematic file.

n = 1: name of the sheet of hierarchy.

form = I (input) O (output) B (BiDi) T (tri state) U (unspecified)

side = R (right) , L (left) , T (top) , B (bottom)

Example:

```
$Sheet
S 1800 1600 1500 1500
F0 "PROGALIM.SCH" 60
F1 "PROGALIM.SCH" 60
F2 "CLK" O R 3300 1800 60
F3 "/RESET" O R 3300 2000 60
F4 "VPWR" O R 3300 2700 60
F5 "/HALT" O R 3300 2100 60
F6 "TRANSF1" I L 1800 1900 60
F7 "TRANSF2" I L 1800 2000 60
F8 "3.84MH" O R 3300 2200 60
$EndSheet
```

## 1.6 - Description of a text note

Format: **Text Notes** *posx posy orientation dimension ~*

*Text*

Example:

```
Text Notes 2100 3250 1 60 ~
TOTO
```

## 1.7 - Description of a Global Label

Format: **Text GLabel** *posx posy orientation dimension shape*

*Text*

Example:

```
Text GLabel 3100 2500 2 60 UnSpC
TITI
Text GLabel 3150 2700 1 60 3State
3STATES
Text GLabel 2750 2800 0 60 UnSpC
BIDI
```

```
Text GLabel 2750 2650 0 60 Output
GLABELOUT
Text GLabel 2750 2400 0 60 Input
RESET
```

## 1.8 - Description of a Hierarchical label

Format: **Text HLabel** *posx posy orientation dimension shape*  
*Text*

Example:

```
Text HLabel 3400 2000 0 60 Input
/RESET
```

## 1.9 - Description of a label

Format: **Text Label** *posx posy orientation dimension ~*  
*Text*

Example:

```
Text Label 3400 2000 0 60 ~
/RESET
```

## 1.10 - Description of a junction

Format: **Connection** *~ posx posy*

Example:

```
Connection ~ 13300 6500
```

## 1.11 - Description of a wire segment (Wire)

Format:

**Wire Wire Line**  
*startx starty endx endy*

Example:

```
Wire Wire Line
3300 1800 3900 1800
```

## 1.12 - Description of a Bus segment

Format:

**Wire Bus Line**  
*startx starty endx endy*

Example:

```
Wire Bus Line
3900 5300 4500 5300
```

## 1.13 - Description of a dotted line segment

Format:

**Wire Notes Line**  
*startx starty endx endy*

Example:

```
Wire Notes Line
```

```
2850 3350 2850 3050
```

## 1.14 - Description of a bus entry

Format:

- For an entry wire/bus :  
**Wire Wire Bus**  
*startx starty endx endy*
- For an entry bus/bus :  
**Wire Bus Bus**  
*startx starty endx endy*

Example:

```
Entry Wire Bus
4100 2300 4200 2400
Entry Bus Bus
4400 2600 4500 2700
```

## 1.15 - Description of a Bitmap Image

Bitmaps are considered to be 300x300 pixels per inch.

A scaling factor is applied by Eeschema to adjust the actual bitmap size on screen.

Format:

**\$Bitmap**

**Pos** *posx posy*

**Scale** *scale value (float). This is the user scalin factor used to display the bitmap.*

**Data**

Bitmap data , PNG format, in hexadecimal.

Each byte is coded by 2 hexadecimal digits.

Bytes are separated by a space.

**EndData**

**\$EndBitmap**

Example:

```
$Bitmap
Pos 7450 5600
Scale 1,000000
Data
89 50 4E 47 0D 0A 1A 0A 00 00 00 0D 49 48 44 52 00 00 01 00 00 00 01 00 08 06 00 00 00 5C 72 A8
66 00 00 00 04 73 42 49 54 08 08 08 08 7C 08 64 88 00 00 00 09 70 48 59 73 00 00 1B 58 00 00 1B
....
EndData
$EndBitmap
```

## 2 - Schematic Libraries Files Format:

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### 2.1 - Units

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### 2.2 - File header

format:

```
EESchema-LIBRARY Version 2.0 24/1/1997-18:9:6
description of the components
# End Library
```

### 2.3 - Description of a component

The format is as follows :

```
DEF name reference unused text_offset draw_pinnumber draw_pinname unit_count units_locked option_flag
ALIAS name1 name2...
fields list
DRAW
    list graphic elements and pins
ENDDRAW
ENDDEF
```

Parameters for **DEF** :

- **name** = component name in library (74LS02 ...)
- **référence** = Reference ( U, R, IC .., which become U3, U8, R1, R45, IC4...)
- **unused** = 0 (reserved)
- **text\_offset** = offset for pin name position
- **draw\_pinnumber** = Y (display pin number) ou N (do not display pin number).
- **draw\_pinname** = Y (display pin name) ou N (do not display pin name).
- **unit\_count** = Number of part ( or section) in a component package.
- **units\_locked** = = L (units are not identical and cannot be swapped) or F (units are identical and therefore can be swapped) (Used only if unit\_count > 1)
- **option\_flag** = N (normal) or P (component type "power")

Example:

```
DEF BNC P 0 40 Y NR 1 L NR
F0 "P" 10.120 60 H V L C
F1 "BNC" 110 - 60 40 V V L C
DRAW
C 0 0 70 0 1 0
```

```
C 0 0 20 0 1 0
X Ext. 2 0 - 200 130 U 40 40 1 1 P
X In 1 - 150 0.130 R 40 40 1 1 P
ENDDRAW
ENDDEF
```

### 2.3.1 - Description of Aliases

This line exists only if the component has alias names.

format:

**ALIAS** *name1 name2 name3...*

### 2.3.2 - Description of the fields

format:

**F** n "*text*" *posx posy dimension orientation visibility hjustify vjustify/italic/bold "name"*

with:

- n = field number :
  - reference = 0.
  - value = 1.
  - Pcb FootPrint = 2.
  - User doc link = 3. At present time: not used
- n = 4..11 = fields 1 to 8 (since January 2009 more than 8 field allowed, so n can be > 11).
- text (delimited by double quotes)
- position X and Y
- dimension (default = 50)
- orientation = H (horizontal) or V (vertical).
- Visibility = V (visible) or I (invisible)
- hjustify vjustify = L R C B or T
  - L= left
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- Style: Italic = I or N ( since January 2009)
- Style Bold = B or N ( since January 2009)
- Name of the field (delimited by double quotes) (only if it is not the default name)

Note: vjustify, Italic and Bold are in the same 3 chars word.

Example:

```
DEF DIODE D 0 40 Y NR 1 0 NR
F0 "D" 0.100 50 H V L CNN
F1 "DIODE" 0 -100 50 H V L CIB
F5 "2euros" 0 -200 50 H V L CIB "PRICE"
```

#### 2.3.2.1 - Important Note 1:

The **F1** field is the default component value **and** the component name in library.

**So the F1 field text should be the same as the name.**

#### 2.3.2.2 - Important Note 2:

**F0** is the reference prefix.

If the prefix starts b # (like #U) the component is not output to netlist or Bill Of Material.

This is a "virtual" component.

Mainly power symbols must have the prefix starting by #.

### 2.3.3 - Description of graphic elements

There are of 5 types:

- Polygon (succession of segments), filled or normal.
- Rectangle.



- Circle.
- Arc of circle.
- Text.

### 2.3.3.1 - Polygon :

Format:

**P** *Nb parts convert thickness x0 y0 x1 y1 xi yi cc*

With:

- Nb = a number of points.
- unit = 0 if common to the parts; if not, number of part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to the 2 representations, if not 1 or 2.
- thickness = line thickness.
- xi yi coordinates of end i.
- cc = N F or F ( F = filled polygon; f = . filled polygon, N = transparent background)

Example:

```
P 3 0 1 0 - 50 50 50 0 - 50 - 50 F
P 2 0 1 0 50 50 50 - 50 N
```

### 2.3.3.2 - Rectangle

Format:

**S** *startx starty endx endy unit convert thickness cc*

With

- unit = 0 if common to the parts; if not, number of part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to all parts. If not, number of the part (1. .n).
- thickness = thickness of the outline.
- cc = N F or F ( F = filled Rectangle;; f = . filled Rectangle, N = transparent background)

Example:

```
S 0 50.900.900 0 1 0 f
```

### 2.3.3.3 - Circle

Format:

**C** *posx posy radius unit convert thickness cc*

With

- posx posy = circle center position
- unit = 0 if common to the parts; if not, number of part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to all parts. If not, number of the part (1. .n).
- thickness = thickness of the outline.
- cc = N F or F ( F = filled circle;; f = . filled circle, N = transparent background)

Example:

```
C 0 0 70 0 1 0 F
C 0 0 20 0 1 0 N
```

### 2.3.3.4 - Arc of circle

Format:

**A** *posx posy radius start end part convert thickness cc start\_pointX start\_pointY end\_pointX end\_pointY.*

With:

- posx posy = arc center position
- start = angle of the starting point (in 0,1 degrees).
- end = angle of the end point (in 0,1 degrees).
- unit = 0 if common to all parts; if not, number of the part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to the representations, if not 1 or 2.
- thickness = thickness of the outline or 0 to use the default line thickness.
- cc = N F or F ( F = filled arc;; f = . filled arc, N = transparent background)
- start\_pointX start\_pointY = coordinate of the starting point (role similar to start)
- end\_pointX end\_pointY = coordinate of the ending point (role similar to end)

Example:

```
A -1 -200 49 900 -11 0 1 0 N -50 -200 0 -150
A 0 -199 49 0 -911 0 1 0 N 0 -150 50 -200
```

### 2.3.3.5 - Text field

Format:

**T** orientation posx posy dimension unit convert Text

With:

- orientation = horizontal orientation (=0) or vertical (=1).
- type = always 0.
- unit = 0 if common to the parts. If not, the number of the part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to the representations, if not 1 or 2.

Example:

```
T 0 - 320 - 10 100 0 0 1 VREF
```

### 2.3.4 - Description of pins

Format:

**X** name number posx posy length orientation Snum Snom unit convert Etype [shape].

With:

- orientation = U (up) D (down) R (right) L (left).
- name = name (without space) of the pin. if ~: no name
- number = n pin number (4 characters maximum).
- length = pin length.
- Snum = pin number text size.
- Snom = pin name text size.
- unit = 0 if common to all parts. If not, number of the part (1. .n).
- convert = 0 if common to the representations, if not 1 or 2.
- Etype = electric type (1 character)
- shape = if present: pin shape (clock, inversion...).

Example:

```
X TO 1 - 200 0.150 R 40 40 1 1 P
X K 2.200 0.150 L 40 40 1 1 P
X 0 1 0 0 0 R 40 40 1 1 W NC
X ~ 2 0 - 250 200 U 40 40 1 1 P
```

Etype list:

INPUT	<b>I</b>
OUTPUT	<b>O</b>
BIDI	<b>B</b>
TRISTATE	<b>T</b>
PASSIVE	<b>P</b>
UNSPECIFIED	<b>U</b>
POWER INPUT	<b>W</b>
POWER OUTPUT	<b>w</b>
OPEN COLLECTOR	<b>C</b>
OPEN EMITTER	<b>E</b>
NOT CONNECTED	<b>N</b>

Shape list:

- If invisible pin, the shape identifier starts by **N**
- Next character is:

Line	None (default)
Inverted	<b>I</b>
Clock	<b>C</b>
Inverted clock	<b>CI</b>
Input low	<b>L</b>
Clock low	<b>CL</b>
Output low	<b>V</b>
Falling edge clock	<b>F</b>
Non Logic	<b>X</b>

Example:

A clock is coded **C** if visible, and **NC** if invisible.

### 3 - Board File Format (Format versions 1 and 2)

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#### 3.1 - Information about V1 version:

- Board files ( \*.brd files ) are in ASCII format.
- Dimensions are in 1/10000 inch, except for the page size (in 1/1000 inch).

First line is something as:

*PCBNEW-BOARD Version 1 date 02/04/2011 15:04:20*

**All the following descriptions are like this:**

\$DESCRIPTION

some data

...

\$endDESCRIPTION

when <DESCRIPTION> is an identifier which gives the meaning of the data between \$DESCRIPTION and \$endDESCRIPTION.

Example:

\$GENERAL

encoding utf-8

LayerCount 2

Ly 1FFF8001

Links 66

NoConn 0

Di 24940 20675 73708 40323

Ndraw 16

Ntrack 267

```

Nzone 1929
Nmodule 29
Nnets 26
$EndGENERAL

$SHEETDESCR
Sheet A4 11700 8267
Title ""
Date "23 feb 2004"
Rev ""
Comp ""
Comment1 ""
Comment2 ""
Comment3 ""
Comment4 ""
$EndSHEETDESCR

```

### 3.2 - Information about V2 version:

The file format is exactly the same format, and the extension is still **.brd**.  
 However, dimensions are in mm (floating notation), except for the page size (in 1/1000 inch).  
 Because the internal Pcbnew unit is now 1nm, the integer coordinates in 1/10000 inch cannot be used in files.  
 Of course, **the Pcbnew versions which are in nm are able to read the V1 version files, but can only write files in V2 version.**  
 The V2 version should be seen as a temporary way to store boards without loss of resolution.

First line is something as:

```
PCBNEW-BOARD Version 2 date 22/02/2013 15:04:20
```

**All the following descriptions are like this:**

```

$DESCRIPTION
some data
...
$endDESCRIPTION

```

Example:

```
PCBNEW-BOARD Version 2 date 22/02/2013 10:33:30
```

```
# Created by Pcbnew(2013-02-20 BZR 3963)-testing
```

```

$GENERAL
encoding utf-8
Units mm
LayerCount 2
EnabledLayers 1FFF8001
Links 200
NoConn 0
Di 69.241669 24.89454 202.336401 196.2404
Ndraw 19
Ntrack 779
Nzone 0
BoardThickness 1.6002
Nmodule 25
Nnets 111
$EndGENERAL

```

### 3.3 - Information about new "S expression" version:

For Pcbnew versions in nanometers, the default file format is now using "S expressions".  
 This new format uses mm for coordinates, fixes issues (like spaces in names) in V1 and V2 versions, and is more human readable than the older format.

The new file extension is **.kicad\_pcb**

Here is a sample:

```
(kicad_pcb (version 3) (host pcbnew "(2013-01-12 BZR 3902)-testing")
```

```
(general
  (links 200)
  (no_connects 0)
  (area 69.241669 24.89454 202.336401 196.2404)
  (thickness 1.6002)
  (drawings 19)
  (tracks 779)
  (zones 0)
  (modules 25)
  (nets 111)
)

(page A4)
(title_block
  (title Demo)
  (rev 2.C)
  (company Kicad)
)
```

### 3.4 - Layer numbering:

Tracks and other items (texts, drawings ...) use one layer.

Pads and vias use several layers.

There are 16 copper layers and 13 technical layers.

The *layer* parameter used in descriptions has the value:

value	layer name	
0	Copper layer	"Copper" layers
1 to 14	Inner layers	
15	Component layer	
16	Copper side adhesive layer	
17	Component side adhesive layer	Technical layers
18	Copper side Solder paste layer	
19	Component Solder paste layer	
20	Copper side Silk screen layer	
21	Component Silk screen layer	
22	Copper side Solder mask layer	
23	Component Solder mask layer	
24	Draw layer (Used for general drawings)	
25	Comment layer (Other layer used for general drawings)	
26	ECO1 layer (Other layer used for general drawings)	
27	ECO2 layer (Other layer used for general drawings)	
28	Edge layer. Items on Edge layer <b>are seen on all layers</b>	
29	Not yet used	
30	Not yet used	
31	Not yet used	

#### Mask layer:

Sometimes, a *mask layer* parameter is used.

It is a 32 bits mask used to indicate a layer group usage (0 up to 32 layers).

A *mask layer* parameter is given in *hexadecimal form*.

Bit 0 is the copper layer, bit 1 is the inner 1 layer, and so on...(Bit 27 is the Edge layer).

*Mask layer* is the ORed mask of the used layers

### 3.5 - First line of description:

#### Format:

PCBNEW-BOARD Version <version number> date <date>-<time>

Date and time are useful only for information (not used by pcbnew).

### 3.6 - \$GENERAL

This data is useful only when loading file.

It is used by Pcbnew for displaying activity when loading data.

\$GENERAL	Start description
Ly 1FFF8001	Obsolete (used for old pcbnew compatibility)
Links 66	Total number of connections
NoConn 0	Remaining connections
Di 24940 20675 73708 40323	Bounding box coordinates: X_start Y_start X_end Y_end
Ndraw 16	Number of draw items like eged segments, texts...
Ntrack 267	Number of track segments
Nzone 1929	Number of zone segments
Nmodule 29	Number of modulss
Nnets 26	Number of nets
\$EndGENERAL	End description

### 3.7 - \$SHEETDESCR

This the page size and texts.

\$SHEETDESCR	Start description
Sheet A4 11700 8267	<Page size> X_size Y_size <b>in mils (1/1000 inch)</b>
Title ""	Title text
Date "23 feb 2004"	Date text
Rev ""	Revision text
Comp ""	Company name text
Comment1 ""	Comment text, line 1
Comment2 ""	Comment text, line 2
Comment3 ""	Comment text, line 3
Comment4 ""	Comment text, line 4
\$EndSHEETDESCR	End description

### 3.8 - \$SETUP block:

This data bock is used for design settings

This is useful only for board edition.

Example:

**\$SETUP**

*InternalUnit 0.000100 INCH*

*Layers 2*

*Layer[0] Cuivre signal*

Layer[15] Composant signal  
 TrackWidth 250  
 TrackWidthHistory 25  
 TrackWidthHistory 170  
 TrackWidthHistory 250  
 TrackClearence 110  
 ZoneClearence 150  
 DrawSegmWidth 150  
 EdgeSegmWidth 50  
 ViaSize 600  
 ViaDrill 250  
 ViaSizeHistory 600  
 MicroViaSize 200  
 MicroViaDrill 80  
 MicroViasAllowed 0  
 TextPcbWidth 170  
 TextPcbSize 600 800  
 EdgeModWidth 150  
 TextModSize 600 600  
 TextModWidth 120  
 PadSize 1500 2500  
 PadDrill 1200  
 AuxiliaryAxisOrg 29500 55500  
 \$EndSETUP

\$SETUP	Start block "SETUP"
InternalUnit 0.000100 INCH	Internal unit for Pcbnew, all coordinates are in this unit
Layers 2	Number of layers (2 = double sided board) must be 1 to 16
Layer[0] Cuivre signal	layer name and type name = name given to the layer by the user (here: "cuivre") type = signal (not current used in Pcbnew)
Layer[15] Composant signal	
TrackWidth 250	Current track width
TrackWidthHistory 170	Last used track widths
TrackWidthHistory 250	
TrackWidthHistory 400	
TrackClearence 100	Isolation for DRC (Design rules check)
ZoneClearence 200	Isolation used in zone filling
DrawSegmWidth 120	Current segment width for drawings on technical layers
EdgeSegmWidth 120	Current segment width for drawings on "edge layer"
ViaSize 700	Current via size
ViaDrill 250	Via drill for this board
ViaSizeHistory 450	Last used via sizes
ViaSizeHistory 650	
ViaSizeHistory 700	
TextPcbWidth 120	Current text width for texts on copper or technical layers. This is not for text on footprints
TextPcbSize 600 600	Current text X Y size
EdgeModWidth 120	Current Segment width for footprint edition
TextModSize 120 600	Current text XY size for texts for footprint edition



TextModWidth 120	Current text width for texts for footprint edition
PadSize 700 700	Current X Y pad size (footprint edition)
PadDrill 320	Current pad drill
AuxiliaryAxisOrg 0 0	Auxiliary axis position (Auxiliary axis is the reference coordinate (0 0 coordinate) for EXCELLON drilling files)
\$EndSETUP	End block "SETUP"

### 3.9 - \$EQUIPOT

\$EQUIPOT describes a net name.

\$EQUIPOT	Start block
Na 2 "N-000026"	<b>Na</b> <internal net number> « net name »
St ~	
\$EndEQUIPOT	End block

**Note1:**

Internal net number is an arbitrary number.  
It is computed by Pcbnew when compiling netlist.

**Note2:**

Net 0 is not a real net.  
Net 0 is the net number used internally by Pcbnew for all the no connected pads.

**Example:**

```
$EQUIPOT;
Na 0 ""
St ~
$EndEQUIPOT$EQUIPOT
Na 1 "DONE"
St ~
$EndEQUIPOT
$EQUIPOT
Na 2 "N-000026"
St ~
$EndEQUIPOT
$EQUIPOT
Na 3 "TD0/PROG"
St ~
$EndEQUIPOT
```

### 3.10 - \$MODULE

Description =start by:

**\$MODULE** <module name>

And ends with

**\$EndMODULE** <module name>

Module description has four sections:

1. General description (fixed size)
2. Field description (variable size)
3. Drawing description (variable size)
4. Pad description. (variable size)
5. 3D shape informations.

**Note:**

All coordinates are relative to the module position.  
Its means the coordinates of segments, pads, texts ... are given for a module in position 0, rotation 0.

If a module is rotated or mirrored, real coordinates must be computed according to the real position and rotation.

### 3.10.1 - General description:

\$MODULE bornier6	<b>\$MODULE</b> <module lib name>
Po 62000 30500 2700 15 3EC0C28A 3EBF830C ~~	<b>Po</b> Xpos Ypos Orientation(0.1deg) Layer TimeStamp Attribut1Attribut2 Attribut1 = ~or 'F' for autoplacement (F = Fixed, ~= moveable) Attribut2 = ~or 'P' for autoplacement (P = autoplaced)
Li bornier6	<b>Li</b> <module lib name>
Cd Bornier d'alimentation 4 pins	<b>Cd</b> comment description (displayed when browsing libraries)
Kw DEV	<b>Kw</b> Keyword1 Keyword2 ... (for footprint selection by keywords)
Sc 3EBF830C	<b>Sc</b> TimeStampOp
Op 0 0 0	<b>Op</b> <rotation cost 90 deg> <rotation cost 180 deg> for auto place. rotation cost = 0 (no rotation allowed) to 10 (null cost)

#### Note:

Usually, components are on layer 15 (*component layer*) or 0 (*copper layer*).

**If the component is on layer 0, it is "mirrored". The "mirror axis is the X axis**

### 3.10.2 - Field Description:

There are 2 to 12 fields

Field 0 = component reference (U1, R5 ...) (required)

Field 1 = component value (10K, 74LS02 ...) (required)

Other fields (optional) are comments.

Format:

T<field number> <Xpos> <Ypos> <Xsize> <Ysize> <rotation> <penWidth> N <visible> <layer> "text"

<b>Field</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
field number	enumeration	0=>reference, 1=>value, etc.
Xpos	tenths of mils (.0001 inches)	The horizontal offset relative to the module's overall position
Ypos	tenths of mils (.0001 inches)	The vertical offset relative to the module's overall position
Xsize	tenths of mils (.0001 inches)	The horizontal size of the character 'M'
Ysize	tenths of mils (.0001 inches)	The vertical size of the character 'M'
rotation	tenths of degrees	Angular rotation from horizontal, counterclockwise
penWidth	tenths of mils (.0001 inches)	Width of the pen used to draw characters
N	none	flag for the parser?
visible	boolean	I=> invisible, V=> visible
layer	enumeration	see layer numbers above

Examples:

T0 500 -3000 1030 629 2700 120 N V 21 "P1"	T0 => reference
T1 0 3000 1201 825 2700 120 N V 21 "CONN_6"	T1 => value

### 3.10.3 - Drawings:

Tells how to draw module shape.

Drawings are segment, circle, arc.

DS -6000 -1500 -6000 1500 120 21	DS is a <b>Draw Segment</b> DS Xstart Ystart Xend Yend Width Layer
DS 6000 1500 6000 -1500 120 21	An other Draw Segment

Other Drawings are:

DC ox oy fx fy w	DC is a <b>Draw Circle</b> DC Xcentre Ycentre Xpoint Ypoint Width Layer
DA x0 y0 x1 y1 angle width layer	DA is a <b>Draw Arc</b> X0,y0 = Start point x1,y1 = end point

### 3.10.4 - Pad Descriptions:

All the pads of this footprint are listed here (Many \$PAD/\$EndPAD sections here)..  
See \$PAD description.

### 3.10.5 - \$SHAPE3D

3D shape informations:

The real shape description is a vrml file, build by **Wings3d**.

This shape can be scaled, moved and rotated.

This is because a single 3D shape can be used for many footprints (for instance, we use the shape resistor.vrml for several resistor footprints, by tuning the X, Y, Z scale of the 3D shape according to the different size of resistor footprints).

Some smd footprints are using this feature.

For the same reasons, the 3D shape can be moved (by the move factor) and/or rotated.

**Real shape unit is 0.1 inch (1 unit vrml = 0.1 inch = 2.54 millimeter).**

An other reason exists: when a footprint is very big ( a big connector) or very small (a small SMD resistor) we must create a 3D shape small or bigger than real size, in order to use easily the 3D modeler.

\$SHAPE3D	Start description
Na "device/bornier_6.vrml"	<i>FileName</i> (default path is kicad/modules/packages3d/)
Sc 1.000000 1.000000 1.000000	X Y Z <i>scale factor</i>
Of 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000	X Y Z <i>offset (move vector, in 3D units (0.1 inch))</i>
Ro 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000	X Y Z <i>rotation (in degree)</i>
\$EndSHAPE3D	End description

The 3D shape coordinates are relative to the footprint coordinates.

The 3D shape must be scale, moved and rotated according to the parameters Sc Of and Ro,

and after moved and rotated according to the footprint coordinates and rotation.

If the footprint is « inverted » (that is, located on copper side) the 3D shape must be « inverted » too.

Note:

A footprint may have several 3D shapes (for instance an integrated circuit and his socket).

### 3.10.6 - \$PAD

Pads have different shapes and attributes.

**Pad shapes are:**

Circle.

Oblong(or oval).

Rectangular (Square is like a rectangle).

Trapeze.

**Pad attributes are:**

- Normal (Has usually a hole)
- Smd (used for Surface Mounted Devices). Has no hole.
- Connector (used for connectors like a PC Board Bus connector)
- Mechanical. (Like a hole for mechanical use)

And shape can be draw with an offset related to the drilling hole.

The hole shale is round or oblong

\$PAD	Start description
Sh "2" C 1500 1500 0 0 2700	<b>Shape:</b> <pad name> shape Xsize Ysize Xdelta Ydelta Orientation
Dr 600 0 0 or (oblong hole) Dr 600 0 0 O 600 650	<b>Drill</b> <Pad drill> Xoffset Yoffset (round hole) or (oblong hole) <b>Drill</b> <Pad drill.x> Xoffset Yoffset <Hole shape> <Pad drill.x> <Pad drill.y>
At STD N 00E0FFFF	<b>Attributs:</b> <Pad type> N <layer mask>
Ne 8 "GND"	<b>Net reference of the pad:</b> <netnumber> <net name>
Po -3000 0	X_pos Y_pos (relative to the module position)
\$EndPAD	End description

Note:

<Pad type> is the Pad Attribute. It is one of: "STD" "SMD" "CONN" "HOLE" "MECA".

Shape is one of:

- C (circle)
- R (Rectangular).
- O (Oblong)
- T (Trapèze)

Hole shape = O (O for **O**blong)

**Example:**

```
$PAD
Sh "3" C 1500 1500 0 0 2700
Dr 600 0 0
At STD N 00E0FFFF
Ne 10 "TD0_1"
Po -1000 0
$EndPAD
```

### 3.11 - Graphic items:

There are drawing items like segments, circles, texts, targets and cotations.

#### 3.11.1 - \$DRAWSEGMENT

Draw segments are :

- segments (strait line)
- circles
- arcs

##### 3.11.1.1 - Line:

\$DRAWSEGMENT	Start description
Po 0 67500 39000 65500 39000 120	<b>Position</b> shape Xstart Ystart Xend Yend width
De 28 0 900 0 0	<b>Description</b> layer type angle timestamp status
\$EndDRAWSEGMENT	End description

**Note:**

- shape = 0
- Angle is used only for arc segments (unused for line, left for compatibility).

**3.11.1.2 - Circle:**

\$DRAWSEGMENT	Start description
Po 1 67500 39000 65500 39000 120	<b>Position</b> shape Xcentre Ycentre Xend Yend width
De 28 0 900 0 0	<b>Description</b> layer type angle timestamp status
\$EndDRAWSEGMENT	End description

**Note:**

- shape = 1
- Angle is used only for arc segments (unused for circle, left for compatibility).
- End is a point of this circle. (If Xend or Yend is 0, the other coordinate is the radius)

**3.11.2 - Arc:**

\$DRAWSEGMENT	Start description
Po 2 67500 39000 65500 39000 120	<b>Position</b> shape Xstart Ystart Xend Yend width
De 28 0 900 0 0	<b>Description</b> layer type angle timestamp status
\$EndDRAWSEGMENT	End description

**Note:**

- shape = 2
- *start* and *end* are the 2 points of the arc. *angle* is the arc angle (in 0.1 degree). Center coordinates are computed by pcbnew from *start*, *end* and *angle*.

**Currently, only 90 degrees arcs are supported.(thereby, angle = 900)**

**Example:**

```
$DRAWSEGMENT
Po 0 67500 34000 67500 39000 120
De 28 0 900 0
$EndDRAWSEGMENT
```

**3.11.3 - \$TEXTPCB**

Example:



**TDI**

\$TEXTPCB	Start description
Te "TDI"	<b>Text</b> "string"
Po 57250 35750 600 600 150 0	<b>Position</b> Xstart Ystart Xsize Ysize Width rotation
De 15 1 B98C Normal	<b>Description</b> layer normal timestamp style normal = 0 : text is mirrored. normal = 1 : text is normal. style = Normal or Italic
\$EndTEXTPCB	End description

**Example:**

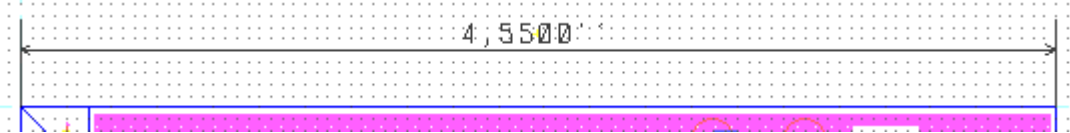
```
$TEXTPCB
Te "TCK"
Po 57250 33500 600 600 150 0
De 15 1 B98C Normal
$EndTEXTPCB
```

**3.11.4 - \$MIRE**

	shape 1
	shape 0

\$MIREPCB	Start description
Po 0 28 28000 51000 5000 150 00000000	<b>Position</b> shape Xpos Ypos size width timestamp
\$EndMIREPCB	End description

### 3.11.5 - \$COTATION



\$COTATION	Start description
Ge 0 24 0	<b>General</b> shape layer timestamp currently, shape = 0.
Te "4,5500""	<b>Text</b> "string" string is the cotation value in inches or millimeters
Po 50250 5791 600 800 170 0 1	<b>Position (for text)</b> Xpos Ypos Xsize Ysize width orient normal
Sb 0 27500 6501 73000 6501 150	Coordinates of segments (axis, arrows...)
Sd 0 73000 9000 73000 5081 150	
Sg 0 27500 9000 27500 5081 150	
S1 0 73000 6501 72557 6731 150	
S2 0 73000 6501 72557 6271 150	
S3 0 27500 6501 27943 6731 150	
S4 0 27500 6501 27943 6271 150	
\$EndCOTATION	End description

## 3.12 - Track, vias and Zone section:

### 3.12.1 - \$TRACK

Track section describes tracks and vias on copper layers.

Each track (or via) has a two line description:

For a track segment:

**Position** shape Xstart Ystart Xend Yend width

**Description** layer 0 netcode timestamp status

*Shape parameter is set to 0 (reserved for future changes).*

For a via:

**Position** shape Xstart Ystart Xend Yend diameter

**Description** layer 1 netcode timestamp status

For a via, layer parameter gives :

On the 4 less significant bits: the starting layer of the via

On the 4 next bits: the ending layer.

For instance, a via starting at copper kayer (layer 0) end ending at component layer (layer 15) has the layer parametre set to F0 hexadecimal or 240 decimal.

Shape parameter is the via type (*through* = 3, *blind* = 2, *buried* = 1)

*Timestamp parameters are set to 0 (reserved for future changes).*

Status parameter can be set to 0 (Used internally for routing infos)..

\$TRACK	Start description
Po 0 36750 37000 36550 37000 250	<b>Position</b> shape Xstart Ystart Xend Yend width width = diameter for a via
De 15 0 1 0 400	<b>Description</b> layer type netcode timestamp status type = 0 for a track segment. type = 1 for a via
Po 0 39000 36750 38750 37000 250	An other track
De 15 0 1 0 0	
Po 3 53500 27000 53500 27000 650	This is a via (via "through") from layer 15 (component) to layer 0 (copper)
De 15 1 14 0 0	
\$EndTRACK	End description

### 3.12.2 - \$ZONE

Zone section is like track section. (There is no via in Zone section).

It is used to handle a zone filling, from a zone outline.

\$ZONE	Start description
Po 0 67100 33700 67100 38600 100	Same as track description
De 0 0 2 3EDDB09D 0	
\$EndZONE	End description

### 3.12.3 - \$CZONE\_OUTLINE

Describes the main outlines of a zone and the outlines of filled areas (solid polygons) inside the zone main outlines. Outlines of filled areas can be missing (if the zone is not currently filled)

Because a zone handles thermal reliefs, there are options to describe pads in zones options and thermal reliefs parameters.

**Example:**

```
$CZONE_OUTLINE
ZInfo 47868246 1 "GND"
ZLayer 0
ZAux 4 E
ZClearance 150 T
ZMinThickness 190
ZOptions 0 32 F 200 200
ZCorner 74750 51750 0
ZCorner 74750 13250 0
ZCorner 29750 13250 0
ZCorner 29750 51750 1
....
$POLYSCORNERS
74655 51655 0 0
74655 13345 0 0
...
$endPOLYSCORNERS
$endCZONE_OUTLINE
```

\$CZONE_OUTLINE	Start description
ZInfo 478E3FC8 1 "/aux_sheet/INPUT"	<Time stamp> <internal netcode> "net name"
ZLayer 0	Layer (0 = copper, 15 = component, 1 ..14 = inner layers)
ZAux 4 E	<corners count> <zone hatching option> zone hatching option = N (none), E (edge hatching) or F (full hatching)

ZClearance 200 T	<Zone clearance> <pads option = I, T or X> I = pads in zone T = Thermal reliefs X = pads not in zone.
ZMinThickness 190	<Zone min thickness (for copper zone)>
ZOptions 0 32 F 200 200	<fill mode> <arc approx> <antipad thickness> <thermal stubs width> fill mode = 0 (use solid polygons) or 1 (use segments) arc approx = 16 or 32 (segments count to approximate a 360 arc)
ZCorner 49450 19150 0	First corner (external outline)
ZCorner 40600 19150 0	Next corner
ZCorner 40600 22850 0	
ZCorner 49450 22850 1	End corner (flag = 1)
\$POLYSCORNERS	Start of filled areas outlines
74655 51655 0 0	First corner (first filled area outline)
74655 13345 0 0	Next corner
\$endPOLYSCORNERS	
\$endCZONE_OUTLINE	End description

Other example:

\$CZONE_OUTLINE	Start description of an other outline
ZInfo 47B3E800 3 "VCC"	
ZLayer 1	
ZAux 8 F	
ZClearance 200 T	
ZMinThickness 190	Zone min thickness (for copper zone)
ZOptions 0 32 F 200 200	
ZCorner 49704 23032 0	First corner (external outline)
ZCorner 49704 18940 0	
ZCorner 46140 19024 0	
ZCorner 46148 20000 0	
ZCorner 45250 20000 0	
ZCorner 44750 21250 0	
ZCorner 43750 22250 0	
ZCorner 46176 23068 1	End corner (flag = 1)
ZCorner 48450 19900 0	First corner (this is a hole)
ZCorner 48450 20800 0	
ZCorner 47350 20800 0	
ZCorner 47250 19900 1	End corner (flag = 1)
\$endCZONE_OUTLINE	End description

### 3.13 - \$EndBOARD

\$EndBOARD terminates the whole board description.  
Must be the last line.



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#### 4.1 - File format syntax:

Based on the Spectra syntax.

**All tokens are lowercase.**

Strings such as board text and copper layer names can have upper case characters, but these will often be quoted.

A special emphasis to readability considerations is made.

#### 4.2 - Coordinates of objects and sizes:

Coordinates are relative to the origin of their containing object.

Values are given in millimeters.

Exponential floating point values are not allowed and instead are presented as:

"xxx.yyy" or "0.0x" or "0.x", or even "xy". This was done because values like 4e-2 are not as easy for a human to read.

#### 4.3 - Keywords:

Use only lowercase ASCII words (and trailing digits if needed). ASCII characters are <= 127.

#### 4.4 - Identifiers and Strings:

Identifiers are variables used within the file such as layer names, net names, etc.

Strings are longer text sequences such as drawing labels.

They are handled the same, and will be referred to as strings henceforth.

From a purely syntactical perspective (and ignoring any limits imposed at a higher level by the user of the string), a string can contain embedded spaces and tabs, but may not contain an actual newline.

A string is to be encoded in UTF8 format, meaning that it may be ASCII or international characters sequences, since ASCII is a subset of UTF8.

**Note that this excludes LATIN characters >= 128.**

**To encode LATIN characters, a UTF8 sequence must be used.**

A string may not contain an actual newline or carriage return, but it may use an escape sequence to encode a newline, such as \n.

If a string has any of the following conditions, then it must be quoted with a leading and trailing double quote character, otherwise it is acceptable to not quote the string:

1. has one or more of the following 4 separator bytes: ASCII space, tab, '(', or ')'.
2. has one or more of the following bytes: '%', '{', or '}'.
3. has a length of zero bytes, and you need a place holder for the field, then use "".
4. includes a byte of '-', and this byte is not in the first position of the string.

Examples:

- If the field has embedded spaces, tabs, '(' or ')', then it must be quoted like these samples: *"this is a sample"*, *"con(14)"*, *"(19"*.
- If the field has an embedded #, then it must be quoted: *"wire#123"*
- This string does not need to be quoted: *-CDC*, but this one does: *"C-DC"*
- If your string needs to convey multiple lines, escape the new line character like this: *"line 1\nline 2"*.
- Here is a legal string with an embedded quote: *leg"23*
- Here is the same string quoted, and because it is quoted the internal quote must be duplicated: *"leg""23"*
- Here is a string quoted that does not need to be but is acceptable anyways: *"R1"*

## 4.5 - Layer representation in files

### 4.5.1 - Layer capacity:

- Copper layers 16
- Technical layers 13 ( 8 paired layers, 4 user layers and 1 layer for board edges )

### 4.5.2 - Layer names in files

In files the layers have a name, not a number.

#### Copper layers:

For copper layers the name can be set by the user.

A copper layer name is defined as **<layer name set by user>.Cu**

However, for pads and vias which are on all copper layers, the full set of copper layers is defined as \*.Cu.

#### Paired technical layers:

The name is fixed and built on the form.

B.<layer name> for a layer on the back side of the board.

F.<layer name> for a layer on the front side of the board.

The layer name is one of

*Adhes Paste Paste SilkS Mask.*

Or the translated name of these layers for non English users.

Like for Copper layers, \*.<layer name> can be used to represent the 2 paired layers

#### Other layers:

The name is <layer name>.User like:

*Dwgs.User Cmts.User Eco1.User Eco2.User*

Or the translated name of these layers for non English users.

#### Board outlines:

the name is *Edge.Cuts*

## 4.6 - Typical structure of the board file:

A board file includes different sections and list of board items:

- The header line
- The general section
- The layers section (the mapping of layers)
- The setup section
- The list of nets
- The list of net classes
- The list of modules
- The list of graphic items
- The list of tracks
- The list of zones

The order of lists is not critical, and some sections can be omitted.

### 4.6.1 - Description of an item:

The basic item syntax is an opening brace "(" followed by a keyword with one or more parameters associated with

the keyword separated by one or more spaces followed by a closing brace “)”. Items can be nested but the opening and closing braces must be symmetrical.

An item is described by  
(<keyword> <parameter>)

Examples:

(via\_drill 0.635)

(area 57.924999 28.924999 74.075001 42.075001)

via\_drill or area are keywords, followed by one or four values.

(fp\_line (start -3.81 0) (end -3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))

fp\_line is a keyword, followed by parameters, which are 4 item descriptions.

### 4.6.2 - The header line

```
(kicad_pcb (version 3) (host pcbnew "(2013-02-20 BZR 3963)-testing")
```

### 4.6.3 - The general section

```
(general
  (links 2)
  (no_connects 0)
  (area 57.924999 28.924999 74.075001 42.075001)
  (thickness 1.6)
  (drawings 5)
  (tracks 5)
  (zones 0)
  (modules 2)
  (nets 3)
)

(page A4)
```

### 4.6.4 - The layers section (the mapping of layers)

```
(layers
  (15 top_side.Cu signal)
  (2 Inner2.Cu signal)
  (1 Inner1.Cu signal)
  (0 bottom_side.Cu signal)
  (16 B.Adhes user)
  (17 F.Adhes user)
  (18 B.Paste user)
  (19 F.Paste user)
  (20 B.SilkS user)
  (21 F.SilkS user)
  (22 B.Mask user)
  (23 F.Mask user)
  (24 Dwgs.User user)
  (25 Cmts.User user)
  (26 Eco1.User user)
  (27 Eco2.User user)
  (28 Edge.Cuts user)
)
```

This is an important section, because it defines the active layers, the layer types and attributes, the copper layer names (set by the user) and the numerical identifier used to associate the user defined layer names with the Pcbnew internal layer definition.

All subsequent layer references are by name only.

### 4.6.5 - The setup section

```
(setup
  (last_trace_width 0.254)
  (trace_clearance 0.254)
  (zone_clearance 0.2)
  (zone_45_only no)
  (trace_min 0.254)
  (segment_width 0.2)
  (edge_width 0.15)
  (via_size 0.889)
  (via_drill 0.635)
  (via_min_size 0.889)
  (via_min_drill 0.508)
  (uvia_size 0.508)
  (uvia_drill 0.127)
  (uviaS_allowed no)
  (uvia_min_size 0.508)
  (uvia_min_drill 0.127)
  (pcb_text_width 0.3)
  (pcb_text_size 1.5 1.5)
```

```
(mod_edge_width 0.15)
(mod_text_size 1.5 1.5)
(mod_text_width 0.15)
(pad_size 0.0005 0.0005)
(pad_drill 0)
(pad_to_mask_clearance 0.2)
(aux_axis_origin 0 0)
(visible_elements 7FFFFFFF)
(pcbplotparams
  (layersselection 3178497)
  (usegerberextensions true)
  (excludeedgelayer true)
  (linewidth 50000)
  (plotframeref false)
  (viasonmask false)
  (mode 1)
  (useauxorigin false)
  (hpglpennumber 1)
  (hpglpenspeed 20)
  (hpglpendingiameter 15)
  (hpglpenoverlay 2)
  (psnegative false)
  (psa4output false)
  (plotreference true)
  (plotvalue true)
  (plotothertext true)
  (plotinvisibletext false)
  (padsonsilk false)
  (subtractmaskfromsilk false)
  (outputformat 1)
  (mirror false)
  (drillshape 1)
  (scaleselection 1)
  (outputdirectory ""))
)
```

This section stores the current settings (default item sizes) and options in use for this board

#### 4.6.6 - The list of nets

```
(net 0 "")
(net 1 /SIGNAL)
(net 2 GND)
```

This section includes the list of nets read from the schematic netlist.

Each net has a net number and a name if in the schematic the net has a label.

#### 4.6.7 - The list of net classes

```
(net_class Default "Ceci est la Netclass par défaut")
(clearance 0.254)
(trace_width 0.254)
(via_dia 0.889)
(via_drill 0.635)
(uvia_dia 0.508)
(uvia_drill 0.127)
(add_net "")
(add_net /SIGNAL)
)

(net_class POWER "")
(clearance 0.254)
(trace_width 0.5)
(via_dia 1.2)
(via_drill 0.635)
(uvia_dia 0.508)
(uvia_drill 0.127)
(add_net GND)
)
```

This section stores the net classes setup.

Each netclass has a set of track and via and size and clearance settings and the name of net or nets assigned to the net class.

#### 4.6.8 - The list of modules

```
(module R3 (layer top_side.Cu) (tedit 4E4C0E65) (tstamp 5127A136)
  (at 66.04 33.3502)
  (descr "Resistance 3 pas")
  (tags R)
  (path /5127A011)
  (autoplace_cost180 10)
  (fp_text reference R1 (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS) hide
    (effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
  )
  (fp_text value 330K (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS)
    (effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
  )
  (fp_line (start -3.81 0) (end -3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.81 0) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.302 0) (end 3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
)
```

```
(fp_line (start -3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start -3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start 3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start -3.302 -0.508) (end -2.794 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(pad 1 thru hole circle (at -3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
(layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
(net 1 /SIGNAL)
)
(pad 2 thru hole circle (at 3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
(layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
(net 2 GND)
)
(model discret/resistor.wrl
(at (xyz 0 0 0))
(scale (xyz 0.3 0.3 0.3))
(rotate (xyz 0 0 0))
)
)
```

This is the description of all modules (footprints) on the board.

#### 4.6.9 - The list of graphic items

```
(gr_text TEST (at 62 31) (layer top_side.Cu)
(effects (font (size 1.5 1.5) (thickness 0.3))))
)
(gr_line (start 58 42) (end 58 29) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 74 42) (end 58 42) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 74 29) (end 74 42) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 58 29) (end 74 29) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
```

This is the list of “graphical” items on the board.

Graphical items are text, lines, arcs, circles on copper and non copper layers, excluding tracks and vias.

**Only text is allowed on copper layers.**

#### 4.6.10 - The list of tracks

```
(segment (start 61.0616 36.8808) (end 61.0616 34.5186) (width 0.254) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 1))
(segment (start 61.0616 34.5186) (end 62.23 33.3502) (width 0.254) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 1) (tstamp 5127A159))
(segment (start 69.85 33.3502) (end 70.993 33.3502) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2))
(segment (start 71.2216 33.5788) (end 71.2216 36.8808) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2) (tstamp 5127A156))
(segment (start 70.993 33.3502) (end 71.2216 33.5788) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2) (tstamp 5127A155))
```

This is the list of tracks and vias (obviously, only on copper layers) on the board.

#### 4.6.11 - The list of zones

```
(zone (net 2) (net_name GND) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (tstamp 5127A1B2) (hatch edge 0.508)
(connect_pads (clearance 0.2))
(min_thickness 0.1778)
(fill (arc_segments 16) (thermal_gap 0.254) (thermal_bridge_width 0.4064))
(polygon
(pts
(xy 59 30) (xy 73 30) (xy 73 41) (xy 59 41)
)
)
)
)
```

#### 4.6.12 - Description of a module (footprint)

Here is an example:

```
(module R3 (layer top_side.Cu) (tedit 4E4C0E65) (tstamp 5127A136)
(at 66.04 33.3502)
(descr "Resistance 3 pas")
(tags R)
(path /5127A011)
(autoplace_cost180 10)
(fp_text reference R1 (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS) hide
(effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
)
(fp_text value 330K (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS)
(effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
)
(fp_line (start -3.81 0) (end -3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start 3.81 0) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start 3.302 0) (end 3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start 3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start -3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start -3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start 3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(fp_line (start -3.302 -0.508) (end -2.794 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
(pad 1 thru hole circle (at -3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
(layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
(net 1 /SIGNAL)
)
(pad 2 thru hole circle (at 3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
(layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
)
```

```

    (net 2 GND)
  )
  (model discret/resistor.wrl
    (at (xyz 0 0 0))
    (scale (xyz 0.3 0.3 0.3))
    (rotate (xyz 0 0 0))
  )
)

```

A module has:

- a reference
- a layer (Front or Back layer)
- a last edition time stamp (for user info)
- a time stamp from the schematic
- a position.

Its description includes:

- Text (at least reference and value)
- Graphic outlines
- Pads (with pad type, pad layers, pad size and position, net)
- A link to a 3D model, if exists, for the 3D viewer.

## 4.7 - Board Example:

```
(kicad_pcb (version 3) (host pcbnew "(2013-02-20 BZR 3963)-testing")
```

```

  (general
    (links 2)
    (no_connects 0)
    (area 57.924999 28.924999 74.075001 42.075001)
    (thickness 1.6)
    (drawings 5)
    (tracks 5)
    (zones 0)
    (modules 2)
    (nets 3)
  )

```

```

  (page A4)
  (layers
    (15 top_side.Cu signal)
    (2 Inner2.Cu signal)
    (1 Inner1.Cu signal)
    (0 bottom_side.Cu signal)
    (16 B.Adhes user)
    (17 F.Adhes user)
    (18 B.Paste user)
    (19 F.Paste user)
    (20 B.Silks user)
    (21 F.Silks user)
    (22 B.Mask user)
    (23 F.Mask user)
    (24 Dwgs.User user)
    (25 Cmts.User user)
    (26 Eco1.User user)
    (27 Eco2.User user)
    (28 Edge.Cuts user)
  )

```

```

  (setup
    (last_trace_width 0.254)
    (trace_clearance 0.254)
    (zone_clearance 0.2)
    (zone_45_only no)
    (trace_min 0.254)
    (segment_width 0.2)
    (edge_width 0.15)
    (via_size 0.889)
    (via_drill 0.635)
    (via_min_size 0.889)
    (via_min_drill 0.508)
    (uvia_size 0.508)
    (uvia_drill 0.127)
    (uvias_allowed no)
    (uvia_min_size 0.508)
    (uvia_min_drill 0.127)
    (pcb_text_width 0.3)
    (pcb_text_size 1.5 1.5)
    (mod_edge_width 0.15)
    (mod_text_size 1.5 1.5)
    (mod_text_width 0.15)
    (pad_size 0.0005 0.0005)
    (pad_drill 0)
    (pad_to_mask_clearance 0.2)
    (aux_axis_origin 0 0)
    (visible_elements 7FFFFFFF)
    (pcbplotparams
      (layerselection 3178497)
      (usegerberextensions true)
    )
  )

```

```

(excludeedgelayer true)
(linewidth 50000)
(plotframeref false)
(viasonmask false)
(mode 1)
(useauxorigin false)
(hpglpennumber 1)
(hpglpenspeed 20)
(hpglpendingiameter 15)
(hpglpenoverlay 2)
(psnegative false)
(psa4output false)
(plotreference true)
(plotvalue true)
(plottothertext true)
(plotinvisibletext false)
(padsonsilk false)
(subtractmaskfromsilk false)
(outputformat 1)
(mirror false)
(drillshape 1)
(scalesselection 1)
(outputdirectory ""))
)

(net 0 "")
(net 1 /SIGNAL)
(net 2 GND)

(net_class Default "Ceci est la Netclass par défaut")
(clearance 0.254)
(trace_width 0.254)
(via_dia 0.889)
(via_drill 0.635)
(uvia_dia 0.508)
(uvia_drill 0.127)
(add_net "")
(add_net /SIGNAL)
)

(net_class POWER "")
(clearance 0.254)
(trace_width 0.5)
(via_dia 1.2)
(via_drill 0.635)
(uvia_dia 0.508)
(uvia_drill 0.127)
(add_net GND)
)

(module R3 (layer top_side.Cu) (tedit 4E4C0E65) (tstamp 5127A136)
  (at 66.04 33.3502)
  (descr "Resistance 3 pas")
  (tags R)
  (path /5127A011)
  (autoplace_cost180 10)
  (fp_text reference R1 (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS) hide
    (effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
  )
  (fp_text value 330K (at 0 0.127) (layer F.SilkS)
    (effects (font (size 1.397 1.27) (thickness 0.2032))))
  )
  (fp_line (start -3.81 0) (end -3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.81 0) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.302 0) (end 3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start -3.302 -1.016) (end -3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start -3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start 3.302 1.016) (end 3.302 0) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (fp_line (start -3.302 -0.508) (end -2.794 -1.016) (layer F.SilkS) (width 0.2032))
  (pad 1 thru_hole circle (at -3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
    (layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
    (net 1 /SIGNAL)
  )
  (pad 2 thru_hole circle (at 3.81 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
    (layers *.Cu *.Mask F.SilkS)
    (net 2 GND)
  )
  )
  (model discret/resistor.wrl
    (at (xyz 0 0 0))
    (scale (xyz 0.3 0.3 0.3))
    (rotate (xyz 0 0 0))
  )
)

(module CP4 (layer top_side.Cu) (tedit 5127A26C) (tstamp 5127A146)
  (at 66.1416 36.8808)
  (descr "Condensateur polarise")
  (tags CP)
  (path /50FD6D39)
  (fp_text reference C1 (at 0.508 0) (layer F.SilkS)
    (effects (font (size 1.27 1.397) (thickness 0.254))))
  )
  (fp_text value 10uF (at 0.8584 2.1192) (layer F.SilkS) hide

```

```

    (effects (font (size 1.27 1.143) (thickness 0.254)))
  )
  (fp_line (start 5.08 0) (end 4.064 0) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start 4.064 0) (end 4.064 1.016) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start 4.064 1.016) (end -3.556 1.016) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -3.556 1.016) (end -3.556 -1.016) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -3.556 -1.016) (end 4.064 -1.016) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start 4.064 -1.016) (end 4.064 0) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -5.08 0) (end -4.064 0) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -3.556 0.508) (end -4.064 0.508) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -4.064 0.508) (end -4.064 -0.508) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (fp_line (start -4.064 -0.508) (end -3.556 -0.508) (layer F.Silks) (width 0.3048))
  (pad 1 thru hole rect (at -5.08 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
    (layers *.Cu *.Mask F.Silks)
    (net 1 /SIGNAL)
  )
  (pad 2 thru hole circle (at 5.08 0) (size 1.397 1.397) (drill 0.812799)
    (layers *.Cu *.Mask F.Silks)
    (net 2 GND)
  )
  (model discret/c_pol.wrl
    (at (xyz 0 0 0))
    (scale (xyz 0.4 0.4 0.4))
    (rotate (xyz 0 0 0))
  )
)

(gr_text TEST (at 62 31) (layer top_side.Cu)
  (effects (font (size 1.5 1.5) (thickness 0.3))))
)
(gr_line (start 58 42) (end 58 29) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 74 42) (end 58 42) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 74 29) (end 74 42) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))
(gr_line (start 58 29) (end 74 29) (angle 90) (layer Edge.Cuts) (width 0.15))

(segment (start 61.0616 36.8808) (end 61.0616 34.5186) (width 0.254) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 1))
(segment (start 61.0616 34.5186) (end 62.23 33.3502) (width 0.254) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 1) (tstamp 5127A159))
(segment (start 69.85 33.3502) (end 70.993 33.3502) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2))
(segment (start 71.2216 33.5788) (end 71.2216 36.8808) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2) (tstamp 5127A156))
(segment (start 70.993 33.3502) (end 71.2216 33.5788) (width 0.5) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (net 2) (tstamp 5127A155))

(zone (net 2) (net_name GND) (layer bottom_side.Cu) (tstamp 5127A1B2) (hatch edge 0.508)
  (connect_pads (clearance 0.2))
  (min_thickness 0.1778)
  (fill (arc_segments 16) (thermal_gap 0.254) (thermal_bridge_width 0.4064))
  (polygon
    (pts
      (xy 59 30) (xy 73 30) (xy 73 41) (xy 59 41)
    )
  )
)
)
)

```