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## Chapter 1 Introduction to Calibre CellArray RET (CA-RET)

Calibre® CellArray Resolution Enhancement Techniques (CA-RET) uses a flow of multiple tools through a defined methodology to insert sub-resolution assist features (SRAFs) and optical proximity correction (OPC) shapes into large, repetitive cell-based designs. The Calibre CellArray RET methodology includes pattern classification, SRAF generation, and OPC tools.

Memory device applications have evolved from simple devices to system-level advanced solutions. Advanced solution requirements have driven the transition from planar to 3D scaling and other emerging technologies to face unique manufacturing and process challenges.

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#### **Calibre CellArray RET Application**

The Calibre® CellArray RET methodology is especially applicable for highly repetitive arrays.

3D NAND technologies are widely used for storage applications on devices such as smart phones and solid-state storage devices (SSDs). These devices have highly repetitive array structures with repeated cores, requiring processing approaches with geometric consistency and acceptable processing times. These requirements are addressed by Calibre CellArray methodologies.

The Calibre CellArray RET methodology is a pattern-based approach, automatically determining unique representative locations known as points of interest (POIs) within the design. These are the patterns requiring lithographic simulation. Computation for OPC is performed only at selected unique pattern structures and the post-OPC results are then propagated to the rest of the pattern instances.

A generalized approach and its terms require some description.

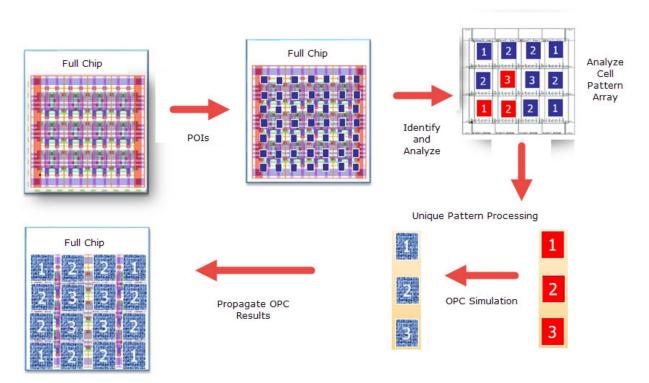


Figure 1-1. Calibre CellArray RET General Overview

#### Points of Interest Collection and Halo Selection

To ensure full chip pattern coverage, points of interest must be derived within the target layer of all cells across the chip. In addition to intra-cell targets, SRAF generation is performed for both inter-cell and cell periphery areas. The POIs are considered the core locations for all the pattern instances. To detect the impact of context on each pattern, a proper halo size is identified to ensure lithography simulation output accuracy; this halo is dictated by the process and optical diameter of the simulation that leads to large and highly-overlapping windows when compared to the original cell dimensions.

#### **Unique Pattern Identification**

Identifying patterns based on all the automatically placed POIs and the large halo size ensures both full chip scanning and coverage in addition to having adequate context for each pattern. The patterns are then analyzed to identify a unique representative for each group, taking into account both orientation and transformations. Additional optimization techniques are used in the selection of the unique locations to improve the lithography simulation accuracy and enable uniform contexts.

#### **OPC Simulation at Unique Locations**

The number of unique locations that undergo OPC simulation represent a significantly small portion of the full chip layout. The capability of reducing the simulation computation portion of

the OPC flow to a few locations enables use of Calibre nmOPC providing higher resolution and accuracy with short run times.

#### **Propagating OPC Simulation Results to all Pattern Instances**

After OPC simulation is performed on unique pattern representatives, OPC results are then propagated to the pattern instances across the chip. The accuracy of the pattern identification and analysis are essential for stitching the results together.

#### Calibre CellArray RET Flow

Calibre CellArray RET employs a pattern-based SRAF insertion and OPC approach to ensure consistent full chip processing of memory devices.

The Calibre CellArray RET methodology is developed to meet the rigors of processing array structures. It uses four general phases, all supported by a self-validation mechanism. A description of the phases of the Calibre CellArray RET flow follows the diagram.

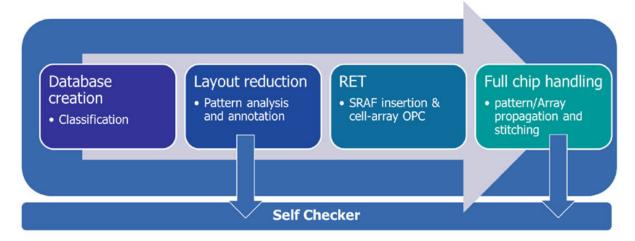


Figure 1-2. Calibre CellArray RET Flow

Calibre CA-RET comprises Pattern Property Analysis and Annotation (PA2)
With SRAF Insertion and Cell-Array OPC.

#### **Database Creation**

Creation of the hierarchical database (HDB) adds information about unit cells, mask layers, standard cells, and critical areas (core array, periphery and controlling logic). Coverage of the full chip is ensured by collecting points of interest (POI) that cover the center of 2D via structures, and 1D metal critical corner and line-end structures. The HDB holds the context used for classification information of each POI by its interaction distance, essential to ensure output accuracy of lithographic simulation.

#### **Layout Reduction**

After HDB generation and POI pattern classification, Calibre CellArray RET checks the orientation of patterns and groups them according to symmetry about the X- or Y-axes. Symmetry classification is based on the symmetry of the optical model used. Symmetric optical models provide solutions with symmetric OPC and SRAF shapes. Additionally, symmetry reduces the number of patterns during layout reduction, ensuring geometric consistency.

#### **RET Processing of the Reduced Layout**

Generation of SRAFs is performed on the reduced layout. The SRAFs are then included in a model-based OPC simulation on the reduced layout to generate a mask of target patterns. The generation of SRAFs and model-based OPC on the reduced layout reduces runtime compared to traditional methodologies.

#### **Full Chip Results Propagation and Stitching**

The generated SRAF and OPC results are then propagated from the representative patterns of the reduced layout to the locations across the full chip. A methodology challenge regarding memory applications is that matching may occur where nested patterns or a common subpattern are incorrectly identified. Calibre CellArray RET uses the classified metadata for property-based matching to improve accuracy and performance.

#### Self Checker

The Calibre CellArray RET methodology involves multiple steps. To verify results during processing, a self-checker using pattern- and property-aware analysis ensures each part of the process adheres to the periodicity, symmetry and consistency requirements of the flow. This helps achieve superior quality of results for image-on-target, edge-placement errors (EPE), and process variation (PV) bands. The self-checker enables attributes of design for testability (DFT):

- Accessibility The self-checker uses meta-data generated in the HDB and performs
  classification for SRAF and OPC results for further analysis based on the same POIs.
  The self-checker differentiates between information that exists on the reduced layout
  and full chip.
- **Controllability** The self-checker uses controls for interaction distance, SRAF existence distance, and orientation control.
- **Observability** The self-checker processes the classification and periodicity of metadata, and aligns them statistically to eliminate false violations and flag issues that may occur during processing. Symmetry checks use the same POIs with a modified halo to check for local symmetry.

## Calibre CellArray RET Processing Requirements

Appropriate system allocation and suitable memory yields optimum processing speeds.

Siemens EDA recommends running RET CELLARRAY with a minimum of 20 CPUs, each supporting 256 Gigabytes of RAM. System requirements vary with chip size.

#### **Syntax Conventions**

The command descriptions use font properties and several metacharacters to document the command syntax.

**Table 1-1. Syntax Conventions** 

Convention	Description
Bold	Bold fonts indicate a required item.
Italic	Italic fonts indicate a user-supplied argument.
Monospace	Monospace fonts indicate a shell command, line of code, or URL. A bold monospace font identifies text you enter.
<u>Underline</u>	Underlining indicates either the default argument or the default value of an argument.
UPPercase	For certain case-insensitive commands, uppercase indicates the minimum keyword characters. In most cases, you may omit the lowercase letters and abbreviate the keyword.
[]	Brackets enclose optional arguments. Do not include the brackets when entering the command unless they are quoted.
{ }	Braces enclose arguments to show grouping. Do not include the braces when entering the command unless they are quoted.
٠,	Quotes enclose metacharacters that are to be entered literally. Do not include single quotes when entering braces or brackets in a command.
or	Vertical bars indicate a choice between items. Do not include the bars when entering the command.
	Three dots (an ellipsis) follows an argument or group of arguments that may appear more than once. Do not include the ellipsis when entering the command.

#### **Table 1-1. Syntax Conventions (cont.)**

```
Example:

DEVice {element_name ['('model_name')']}

device_layer {pin_layer ['('pin_name')'] ...}

['<'auxiliary_layer'>' ...]

['('swap_list')' ...]

[BY NET | BY SHAPE]
```

## Chapter 2 Getting Started with Calibre CellArray RET

Running Calibre CellArray RET.....

#### **Running Calibre CellArray RET**

Calibre RET CELLARRAY employs standard execution methods.

Calibre RET CELLARRAY is executed from the Linux command line.

#### **Prerequisites**

- A Calibre installation with RET CELLARRAY
- Optical and resist models for Calibre nmOPC
- SVRF files for Calibre CA-RET, cnSRAF, and nmOPC
- Your full chip design data

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Set the MGC\_HOME environment variable: setenv MGC\_HOME /data/calibre
- 2. Change directories to your working directory: **cd work\_dir**
- 3. Execute Calibre RET CELLARRAY: \$MGC\_HOME/bin/calibre -drc -hier -turbo -turbo\_litho -hyper rules.svrf

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## Chapter 3 Calibre CellArray RET Command Reference

Calibre CellArray RET uses SVRF commands for optimal pattern-based processing of large, repetitive designs.

Pattern identification, SRAF and OPC generation, and results propagation are dependent on control parameters you specify.

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#### **SVRF Commands**

Calibre CellArray RET commands adhere to SVRF standards. A typical SVRF file containing RET CELLARRAY-related commands may also contain other SVRF commands that specify input layers, perform preliminary layer manipulation, and save output layers.

These commands are documented in the Standard Verification Rule Format (SVRF) Manual.

**Table 3-1. SVRF Commands** 

Command	Description
LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY	Derives output target layers for SVRF. Used by Calibre RET CELLARRAY for reduced pattern OPC.
LITHO FILE Parameters	Specifies Calibre RET CELLARRAY parameters within the SVRF file. The LITHO FILE statement containing RET CELLARRAY-related parameters must be referenced only by RET CELLARRAY.
RET CELLARRAY	The RET CELLARRAY command performs pattern classification, SRAF and OPC generation, and propagates results to all pattern instances.
RET SBAR	Invokes Calibre cnSRAF. Used by Calibre RET CELLARRAY for generation of reduced pattern SRAFs.

#### LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY

#### **SVRF Commands**

Derives output target layers for SVRF. Used by Calibre RET CELLARRAY for reduced pattern OPC.

#### **Usage**

#### **Arguments**

#### output\_layer\_name

A required keyword specifying the name of the new output target layer. The new layer is created and the results of the operation are written to the layer.

#### CELLARRAY

A required keyword invoking OPC for RET CELLARRAY applications.

#### layer

A required original or derived polygon layer upon which to perform dense OPC operations. You can specify *layer* any number of times in one statement.

```
FILE {filename | name | '[' inline_file']'}
```

A required keyword followed by one of three arguments:

A *filename* indicating the path to the setup file. The *filename* parameter can contain environment variables.

The *name* parameter of a LITHO FILE specification statement. The setup file is specified in the Litho File statement.

An *inline\_file* between brackets ([]). Characters within the brackets and on the same line as them are ignored. Inline files contain setup instructions for OPC and span multiple lines. The instructions may not use environment variables.

#### • MAP name

A required keyword followed by the name of a layer called by the setlayer command. The specified layer may then be mapped to the layer in the command file to be output.

#### **Description**

The LITHO DENSEOPC command is an argument of the Calibre LITHO batch operation. This command is used in conjunction with the setlayer denseopc command to derive output target layers for SVRF.

For detailed nmOPC information, see the Calibre nmOPC User's and Reference Manual.

#### **Examples**

The following example performs OPC on the patterns reduced within a design processed by RET CELLARRAY. Critical FILE, OPTIONS, and MAP terms are colored similarly for clarity.

```
// Generate OPC on the reduced layout
reduced opc = LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY reduced layout reduced sraf
   FILE CA nmopc setup MAP CA opc out
LITHO FILE CA nmopc setup [
   modelpath $env(DESIGN DIR)/models/CAOPC/
   layer target
   layer sraf
   tilemicrons 30
   denseopc options nmOPC.opt {
      version 1
      algorithm 2
      fragment min 0.025
      fragment max 0.100
      mrc rule external target sraf {
         use 0.025 euclidean
      NEWTAG external target target opposite -projecting > 0.06
         -out tag space lt 75 range < 0.075
      FRAGMENT MOVE
      OPC ITERATION 15
   }
   setlayer CA opc out = denseopc target sraf curvetarget
      MAP target OPTIONS nmoPC.opt
]
```

#### **LITHO FILE Parameters**

#### **SVRF** Commands

Specifies Calibre RET CELLARRAY parameters within the SVRF file. The LITHO FILE statement containing RET CELLARRAY-related parameters must be referenced only by RET CELLARRAY.

#### **Usage**

```
LITHO FILE name '['
parameters
']'
```

#### **Arguments**

#### name

A required name allowing parameters to be referenced by the LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY command. Each LITHO FILE statement must have a unique name.

#### parameters

A required group of parameters specified one per line. All parameters must be specified between the opening and closing brackets ([]). Any term on the same line as the brackets is ignored.

Parameters may span multiple lines specified by a backslash (\), which must not be followed by any characters or whitespace.

#### influence\_range range

A required parameter that defines the halo size in microns for the reduction stage.

#### layer name

A required parameter that defines the layers specified in the RET CELLARRAY command. One layer must be specified for reduction applications and three layers must be specified for propagation applications. Only manhattan- and 45-degree input layer geometries are supported. No skew-edged geometries are valid target shapes for SRAFs.

#### sraf radius radius

A required parameter that defines the SRAF radius in microns used in the reduction stage.

```
caret exec cellarray output = reduce target layer
```

An optional sub-command that performs pattern reduction on the design. All keywords and layers must be specified.

```
cellarray_output — The output layer specified to the RET CELLARRAY command.
```

reduce — A required keyword that triggers pattern reduction.

target\_layer — A required input target layer.

caret\_exec *cellarray\_output* = propagate *opc\_layer sraf\_layer target\_layer* MAP *map\_keyword* 

An optional sub-command that performs artifact propagation on the design. All keywords and layers must be specified.

*cellarray\_output* — The output layer specified to the RET CELLARRAY command.

propagate — A required keyword that triggers artifact propagation.

opc\_layer — The reduced OPC output layer. This must be the first specified layer.

sraf\_layer — The reduced SRAF output layer. This must be the second specified layer.

target\_layer — The input target layer. This must be the third specified layer.

MAP *map\_keyword* — A required keyword pair. The map\_keywords are predefined, and must match the map\_keywords specified by the caret\_map subcommands.

caret\_map cellarray\_output = MAP map\_keyword

An optional sub-command that links the output from the caret\_exec sub-commands to the corresponding output of the RET CELLARRAY command in SVRF. The cellarray\_output is the output of the caret\_exec sub-command. The map\_keyword corresponds to the map\_keyword specified in the RET CELLARRAY command. All keywords and layers must be specified.

*cellarray\_output* — The output layer specified to the RET CELLARRAY command.

MAP *map\_keyword* — A required keyword and mapping layer pair. The map\_keywords are pre-defined, and must match those specified by the caret\_exec sub-commands.

The MAP keywords are predetermined and trigger various functions for the RET CELLARRAY command:

StageMap KeywordKeyword ApplicationreducereducedReduced target output layerpropagatepropagated\_opcPropagated OPC resultspropagated\_opc\_bboxPropagated OPC bounding box resultsrestored\_srafPropagated SRAF results

Table 3-2. MAP Keywords

litho\_model *path* 

An optional parameter that sets the path of the Lithomodel file relative to the directory specified by modelpath. You must specify modelpath and litho\_model together:

```
modelpath ./models
litho_model .
```

#### modelpath path

An optional parameter that specifies an absolute or relative path to a directory containing optical and resist models. RET CELLARRAY checks the optical models defined in the Lithomodel file, and detects the source symmetry. Possible symmetries detected are no symmetry, or X- and Y-reflection.

The modelpath and litho\_model parameters must be specified together and are mutually exclusive with the orientation\_flags parameter. Where either X- or Y-symmetry reflection are required for patterns of the reduced layout (apart from the symmetry declared by the optical model or the optical kernels), you must specify orientation\_flags with one of either xsym or ysym arguments, and not modelpath or litho model.

Paths may be absolute or relative:

```
modelpath /Siemens/models/CARET/contact/models
modelpath ../models/CARET/contact/models
```

Environment variables may be specified within the path (csh shown):

```
setenv MODELS_DIR /Siemens/models
...
modelpath $env(DESIGN_DIR)/CARET/contact/models
orientation_flags {off | on | xsym | ysym}
```

An optional parameter that applies pattern rotation and reflection during layout reduction and artifact propagation stages. By default, orientation\_flags is off, accepting the symmetry established by the optical model or optical kernels. The orientation flags parameter is mutually exclusive with modelpath and litho model.

```
<u>off</u> — Pattern rotation and reflection is disabled. This is the default setting.
```

on — Enables pattern rotation and reflection for X- and Y-axes.

xsym — Explicitly enables symmetric reflection of patterns across the Y-axis only.

ysym — Explicitly enables symmetric reflection of patterns across the X-axis only.

#### **Description**

The LITHO FILE statement contains RET CELLARRAY parameters. The LITHO FILE statement is called by the FILE argument of the RET CELLARRAY command. The LITHO FILE statement can be written within the SVRF file or referenced as an external file, and in either case, called by a symbolic name for multiple instantiations. The LITHO FILE

statement for RET CELLARRAY cannot share parameters with the LITHO FILE statements used by RET SBAR or LITHO DENSEOPC.

#### **Examples**

#### Example 1 — Layout Reduction

This example demonstrates the general format of the Calibre CellArray RET LITHO FILE statement for layout reduction.

```
LITHO FILE caret_reduce [
    layer target
    sraf_radius 0.3
    influence_range 1.0
    orientation_flags on
    small_distance 0.002
    target_space 0.03
    filter_size 3.0
    restore_sraf_halo 0.0015
    caret_exec x = reduce target
    caret_map x MAP reduced
]
```

#### **Example 2 — Artifact Propagation**

This example demonstrates the general format of the Calibre CellArray RET LITHO FILE statement for SRAF and OPC propagation.

```
LITHO FILE caret propagate [
    layer reduced opc
    layer reduced sraf
    layer target
    sraf radius 0.3
    influence range 1.0
    small distance 0.002
    target space 0.03
    filter size 3.0
    restore sraf halo 0.0015
    caret exec x = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated opc
    caret_exec y = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated opc bbox
    caret exec z = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated sraf
    caret map x MAP propagated opc
    caret map y MAP propagated opc bbox
    caret map z MAP propagated sraf
]
```

#### **RET CELLARRAY**

The RET CELLARRAY command performs pattern classification, SRAF and OPC generation, and propagates results to all pattern instances.

#### **Usage**

```
output_layer = RET CELLARRAY
  target_layer [target_layer ...]
  FILE {filename | name}
  MAP map_name
```

#### **Arguments**

#### output\_layer

A required output layer name. The results of the RET CELLARRAY command are written to the output\_layer.

#### • target\_layer

One or more required target\_layers consisting of target shapes. The target\_layers must be specified as the first arguments to RET CELLARRAY. The specified target\_layers are order-dependent.

#### • FILE {filename | name}

A required keyword with one of two arguments:

#### filename

Indicates the path to the LITHO FILE statement contained within an external file. The filename parameter can contain environment variables. For information regarding the use of environment variables in the filename parameter, refer to "Environment Variables in Pathname Parameters" in the *Standard Verification Rule Format (SVRF) Manual*.

#### name

The name of a LITHO FILE statement called by RET CELLARRAY.

#### • MAP map\_keyword

A required keyword pair specifying the map\_keyword triggering a RET CELLARRAY function that is mapped to the RET CELLARRAY output layer. Four MAP keywords are provided:

```
reduced
```

Triggers layout reduction.

```
propagated_opc
```

Triggers propagation of OPC results to the pattern instances within the full chip. propagated\_opc\_bbox

Triggers propagation of OPC bounding boxes to the pattern instances within the full chip.

```
propagated_sraf
```

Triggers propagation of SRAFs to the pattern instances within the full chip.

#### **Description**

Calibre RET CELLARRAY comprises various tools which perform pattern classification, SRAF and OPC generation on unique patterns identified within the reduced layout, and subsequently propagates results to all pattern instances within the full chip.

RET CELLARRAY performs three stages of execution. RET CELLARRAY executes stages 1 and 3. The user must script SVRF commands for OPC and SRAF generation to complete stage 2:

- 1. Pattern reduction performed on the target data. A reduced layout is generated.
- 2. OPC and SRAF generation on the reduced layout.
- 3. Propagation of the SRAF and OPC results to the pattern instances comprising the full chip.

Additionally, RET CELLARRAY is compatible with hyper flex processing.

#### **Examples**

#### Example 1 — Layout Reduction

To perform pattern identification and layout reduction, the MAP keyword 'reduced' must be specified.

```
reduced_layout = RET CELLARRAY target
   FILE setup MAP reduced
reduced_layout { COPY reduced_layout } DRC CHECK MAP reduced_layout 15

LITHO FILE setup [
   layer target
   caret_exec x = reduce target
   caret_map x MAP reduced
]
```

#### Example 2 — OPC and SRAF Propagation

To perform the propagation of OPC and SRAFs identification and layout reduction, the MAP keywords propagated\_opc, propagated\_opc\_bbox, and propagated\_sraf must be specified.

```
restored opc = RET CELLARRAY reduced opc reduced sraf target
   FILE setup MAP propagated opc
restored opc bbox = RET CELLARRAY reduced opc reduced sraf target
   FILE setup MAP propagated opc bbox
restored sraf = RET CELLARRAY reduced opc reduced sraf target
   FILE setup MAP propagated sraf
LITHO FILE setup [
   layer reduced opc
   layer reduced sraf
   layer target
   caret exec x = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated opc
   caret exec y = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated opc bbox
   caret exec z = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated sraf
   caret map x MAP propagated opc
   caret map y MAP propagated opc bbox
   caret map z MAP propagated sraf
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```

#### **RET SBAR**

#### **SVRF Commands**

Invokes Calibre cnSRAF. Used by Calibre RET CELLARRAY for generation of reduced pattern SRAFs.

#### **Usage**

```
output_layer = RET SBAR
  target_layer
  [INSIDE OF LAYER enclosing_layer]
  [offset_layer]
  [sb_layer [sb_layer2]]
  [tag_layer]
  FILE {filename | name}
  MAP name
```

#### **Arguments**

#### output\_layer

A required output layer name. The results of the RET SBAR command are written to this layer.

#### target\_layer

A required input layer consisting of target shapes. The target\_layer must be specified as the first argument to RET SBAR and only one target\_layer may be specified.

• INSIDE OF LAYER enclosing\_layer

An optional keyword specifying a layer of shapes that enclose target shapes for which SRAFs are generated. Generated SRAF shapes intersecting the enclosing\_layer are truncated.

offset\_layer

An optional polygon layer containing preexisting polygons that define areas where scattering bars cannot be created. The target layer should never be used as the offset\_layer. Only one offset\_layer may be specified.

• *sb\_layer*[*sb\_layer2*]

An optional polygon layer containing preexisting scattering bars to be factored into calculations when generating additional scattering bars. There is no default for this layer setting. If the sb\_layer name is specified once, it may contain both positive and negative SRAFs. Alternatively, the sb\_layer may be specified twice with no order dependency, one layer for positive SRAF and one layer for negative SRAF.

tag\_layer

An optional polygon layer specifying a tag name representing imported layers or edges from SVRF. Any number of tag\_layers may be specified.

#### • **FILE** { filename | name }

A required keyword with one of the following arguments:

**filename** — Indicates the path to the LITHO FILE statement contained within an external file. The filename parameter can contain environment variables. For information regarding the use of environment variables in the filename parameter, refer to "Environment Variables in Pathname Parameters" in the Standard Verification Rule Format (SVRF) Manual.

*name* — The name of a LITHO FILE statement.

#### • MAP name

A required keyword and layer pair specifying the name of a layer that is mapped to the RET SBAR output layer. The layer name must be generated by the setlayer command within the LITHO FILE statement that is called by RET SBAR.

#### **Description**

The RET SBAR command inputs a target layer and templates specified in the LITHO FILE statement to output a new layer containing SRAFs. This command can be specified any number of times in the recipe.

For detailed RET SBAR information, see the Calibre nmSRAF User's and Reference Manual.

#### **Examples**

#### Example 1 — LITHO FILE Organization

When the RET SBAR command is compiled, the SVRF file is searched for the LITHO FILE statement named cnsraf\_LF. This search is case-insensitive. The cnsraf\_LF LITHO FILE statement is used if found within the SVRF file. If it is not found, cnsraf\_LF is searched for as an external file on disk. Critical FILE, OPTIONS, and MAP terms are colored similarly for clarity.

```
sraf_cnsraf = RET SBAR sraf_tgt sraf_OL sraf_tag_p1 sraf_tag_p2
   FILE sraf_setup MAP out_layer

LITHO FILE sraf_setup [
   // setup commands ...
   layer target
   tilemicrons 20
```

```
sraf_options sraf_opts {
    cleanupversion 1
    minoffset 0.025
    ...
    taglayer sraf_tag_p1
    taglayer sraf_tag_p2
    ...
    rectedge tag sraf_tag_p1
        extension -0.008 width 0.025 offset 0.050 prior 100
    rectedge tag sraf_tag_p2
        extension 0.053 width 0.029 offset 0.053 prior 110
}
setlayer out_layer = cnsraf sraf_tgt OPTIONS sraf_opts
]
```

### Appendix A Calibre CellArray RET Example SVRF Files

An SVRF file is an ASCII text file comprising SVRF commands. It contains everything needed to read layout data, process layer data, and apply Calibre CellArray RET (CA-RET) solutions.

You can create a new SVRF file from scratch using a text editor, or by copying an existing SVRF file and modifying it.

This section describes basic CA-RET SVRF files. It is intended to provide enough information for the creation of a simple SVRF file. For more information, refer to the *Standard Verification Rule Format (SVRF) Manual*.

All elements in an SVRF file are either operations or statements. The basic distinction between these is that operations manipulate layout data and statements prepare the environment in which the operations work.

#### Calibre CellArray RET SVRF File

Use this example RET CellArray SVRF file to help develop your own.

```
LAYOUT PATH "./input.oas"
LAYOUT SYSTEM OASIS
LAYOUT PRIMARY "*"
DRC SUMMARY REPORT "./result.rep"
DRC RESULTS DATABASE "./result.oas" OASIS
FLAG OFFGRID YES
LAYOUT MAGNIFY AUTO
LAYOUT PRECISION 4000
PRECISION 4000
RESOLUTION 1
// Layer declaration
Layer target 1
Layer design 2
LAYOUT BASE LAYER design
// Reduction
reduced layout = RET CELLARRAY target
   FILE caret reduce MAP reduced
```

```
// Propagation and restoration
restored opc = RET CELLARRAY reduced opc reduced sraf target
   FILE caret_propagate MAP propagated_opc
restored sraf = RET CELLARRAY reduced opc reduced sraf target
   FILE caret propagate MAP propagated sraf
LITHO FILE caret reduce [
    layer target
    sraf radius 0.3
    influence range 1.0
    modelpath /user/T1/CA-RET/models
    litho model .
    small distance 0.002
    target space 0.03
    filter size 3.0
    restore sraf halo 0.0015
    caret exec x = reduce target
    caret map x map reduced
LITHO FILE caret propagate [
    influence range 1.0
    layer reduced sraf
    layer target
    layer reduced opc
    sraf radius 0.3
    orientation flags on
    small distance 0.002
    target space 0.03
    filter size 3.0
    restore sraf halo 0.0015
    caret_exec x = propagate reduced_opc reduced sraf
      MAP propagated opc
    caret exec y = propagate reduced opc reduced sraf
     MAP propagated opc bbox
    caret_exec z = propagate reduced_opc reduced_sraf
     MAP propagated sraf
    caret_map x MAP propagated_opc
    caret map y MAP propagated opc bbox
    caret map z MAP propagated sraf
]
// Declare layers for SRAF and OPC generation
sraf OL = area target < 0.000001</pre>
sraf pl = DFM PROPERTY target GLOBALXY [len=PERIMXP(target)/2] > 0.300
sraf tag 1 = LENGTH (target COINCIDENT EDGE sraf pl) > 0.080
sraf tag 2 = LENGTH (sraf tag 1 COINCIDENT EDGE sraf pl) > 0.080
```

```
// Generate SRAFs
sraf cnsraf = RET SBAR target sraf OL sraf tag 1 sraf tag 2
   FILE sraf setup MAP sraf cnsraf
// Litho FILE parameters
LITHO FILE sraf setup [
   layer target
   layer sraf OL
   layer sraf tag 1
   layer sraf tag 2
   tilemicrons 20
   # cnSRAF options and templates
   sraf options srafOpts {
      offsetlayer sraf OL
      # global cleanup settings
      cleanmode postSizing
      cleanupversion 1
      conflictmode bbox
      dynamicsizing 0.025
      minoffset 0.025
      # global mrc settings
      dynamicsizingrunlength 0
      maxconflict 0.500
      minwidth 0.015
      minarea 0.001
      minfeaturespace 0.050
      minlength 0.055
      taglayer sraf tag 1
      taglayer sraf tag 2
      rectedge tag sraf tag 1 extension 0.092
         width 0.029 offset 0.227 prior 30
      rectedge tag sraf tag 2 extension 0.092
         width 0.029 offset 0.227 prior 36
   setlayer sraf cnsraf = cnsraf target OPTIONS srafOpts
]
// Save SRAFs to the reduced layout
reduced sraf = COPY sraf cnsraf
```

```
//Perform OPC on the reduced layout with reduced srafs
reduced opc = LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY reduced layout reduced sraf
   FILE RL nmopc setup MAP RL opc out
reduced frag = LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY reduced layout reduced sraf
   FILE RL nmopc setup MAP RL frag out
reduced tile = LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY reduced layout reduced sraf
   FILE RL nmopc setup MAP RL tile out
curvetarget = LITHO DENSEOPC CELLARRAY reduced layout reduced sraf
   FILE RL nmopc setup MAP curvetarget
LITHO FILE RL nmopc setup [
  modelpath /user/T1/CA-RET/models
  layer target
  layer sraf
  tilemicrons 30
  denseopc_options nmOPC.opt {
    version 1
    algorithm 2
    mrc mode 2
    max iter movement 0.003
   max opc move 0.03
    opc grid multiplier on
    preclean off
    layer target opc mask layer 0
    layer curvetarget hidden
    fragment min 0.025
    fragment_max 0.100
    image .
    mrc rule external target {
     use 0.025 euclidean
    NEWTAG all target -out T1
   setlayer curvetarget = curve target target criticalDistance 0.050
      cornerRadius 0.0375 lineEndRatio 0.5
   setlayer RL opc out = denseopc target sraf curvetarget
     MAP target OPTIONS nmOPC.opt
]
//OPC Output of reduced layout
opc final = COPY reduced opc
```

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