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1. Sample Library Description

This chapter familiarizes you with the basic format and syntax of a library description. The chapter starts with an example that shows the general syntax of a library. The structure of the library description is also discussed. These topics are covered in the following sections:

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [General Syntax](#)
- [Statements](#)
- [Reducing Library File Size](#)

1.1 General Syntax

[Example 1-1](#) shows the general syntax of a library description. The first statement names the library. The statements that follow are library-level attributes that apply to the entire library. These statements define library features such as the technology type, definitions, and defaults. Every cell in the library has a separate cell description.

Example 1-1 General Syntax of the Library Description

```
library (name) {
  technology (name) ; /* library-level attributes */
  delay_model : generic_cmos | table_lookup | cmos2 |
               piecewise_cmos | dcm | polynomial ;
  bus_naming_style : string;
  routing_layers (string) ;
  time_unit : unit ;
  voltage_unit : unit ;
  current_unit : unit ;
  pulling_resistance_unit : unit ;
  capacitive_load_unit (value, unit) ;
  leakage_power_unit : unit ;
  piece_type : type ;
  piece_define ("list") ;
  define_cell_area (area_name, resource_type) ;

  /* default values      for environment definitions */

  operating_conditions (name) {
    /* operating conditions */
  }
  timing_range (name) {
    /* timing information */
  }
}
```

```

wire_load (name) {

    /* wire load information */
}
wire_load_selection () {

    /* area/group selections */
}
power_lut_template (name) {

    /* power lookup table template information */
}
cell (name1) { /* cell definitions */

    /* cell information */
}
cell (name2) {

    /* cell information */

}
scaled_cell (name1) {

    /* alternate scaled cell information */
}
...
type (name) {
    /* bus type name

}
input_voltage (name) {

    /* input voltage information */

}
output_voltage (name) {
    /* output voltage information */

}
}

```

1.2 Statements

Statements are the building blocks of a library. All library information is described in one of the following types of statements:

- Group statements
- Attribute statements
- Define statements

A statement can continue across multiple lines. A continued line ends with a backslash (\).

1.2.1 Group Statements

A group is a named collection of statements that defines a library, a cell, a pin, a timing arc, and so forth. Braces ({}), which are used in pairs, enclose the contents of the group.

Syntax

```
group_name (name)
{
  ... statements ...
}
```

name

A string that identifies the group. Check the individual group statement syntax definition to verify if *name* is required, optional, or null.

You must type the group name and the { symbol on the same line.

[Example 1-2](#) defines a `pin` group A.

Example 1-2 Group Statement Specification

```
pin(A) {
  ... pin group statements ...
}
```

1.2.2 Attribute Statements

An attribute statement defines characteristics of specific objects in the library. Attributes applying to specific objects are assigned within a group statement defining the object, such as a `cell` group or a `pin` group.

In this user guide, attribute refers to all attributes unless the manual specifically states otherwise. For clarity, this manual distinguishes different types of attribute statements according to syntax. All simple attributes use the same general syntax; complex attributes have different syntactic requirements.

Simple Attributes

This is the syntax of a simple attribute:

```
attribute_name : attribute_value ;
```

You must separate the attribute name from the attribute value with a space, followed by a colon and another space. Place attribute statements on a single line.

[Example 1-3](#) adds a `direction` attribute to `pin` group A shown in [Example 1-2](#).

Example 1-3 Simple Attribute Specification

```
pin(A) {  
    direction : output ;  
}
```

For some simple attributes, you must enclose the attribute value in quotation marks:

```
attribute_name : "attribute_value" ;
```

[Example 1-4](#) adds the X + Y function to the pin example.

Example 1-4 Defining the Function of a Pin

```
pin (A) {  
    direction : output ;  
    function : "X + Y" ;  
}
```

Complex Attributes

This is the syntax of a complex attribute statement. Include one or more parameters in parentheses.

```
attribute_name (parameter1, [parameter2, parameter3 ...] );
```

The following example uses the `line` complex attribute to define a line on a schematic symbol. This line is drawn from coordinates (1,2) to coordinates (6,8):

```
line (1, 2, 6, 8);
```

1.2.3 Define Statements

You can create new simple attributes with the `define` statement.

Syntax

```
define (attribute_name, group_name, attribute_type) ;
```

attribute_name

The name of the new attribute you are creating.

group_name

The name of the group statement in which this attribute is specified.

attribute_type

The type of attribute you are creating: Boolean, string, integer, or floating point.

For example, to define a new string attribute called `bork`, which is valid in a `pin` group, use

```
define (bork, pin, string) ;
```

You give the new attribute a value using the simple attribute syntax:

```
bork : "nimo" ;
```

1.2.4 Reducing Library File Size

Large library files can compromise disk capacity and memory resources. To reduce file size and improve file management, the syntax allows you to combine multiple source files by referencing the files from within the source file containing the `library` group description. During library compilation, the referenced information is retrieved, included at the point of reference, and then the compilation continues.

Use the `include_file` attribute to reference information in another file for inclusion during library compilation. Be sure the directory of the included file is defined in your search path—the `include_file` attribute takes only the file name as its value; no path is allowed.

Syntax

```
include_file (file_name_id) ;
```

Example

```
cell( ) {  
    area : 0.1 ;  
    ...  
    include_file (memory_file) ;  
    ...  
}
```

where `memory_file` contains the `memory` group statements.

Limitations

The `include_file` attribute has these requirements:

- Recursive `include_file` statements are not allowed; that is, the source files that you include cannot also contain `include_file` statements.
- If the included file is not in the current directory, then the location of the included file must be defined in your search path.
- Multiple file names are not allowed in an `include_file` statement. However, there is no limit to the number of `include_file` statements you can have in your main source file.
- An included file cannot substitute for a group value statement. For example, the following is not allowed:


```
cell ( ) {  
    area : 0.1 ;  
    ...  
    pin_equal : include_file (source_file) ;  
}
```

- The `include_file` attribute cannot substitute or cross the group boundary. For example, the following is not allowed:

```
cell ( A ) include (source_file)
```

where `source_file` is the following:

```
{  
    attribute : value ;  
    attribute : value ;  
    ...  
}
```

2. Building a Technology Library

The library description identifies the characteristics of a technology library and the cells it contains. Creating a library description for a CMOS technology library involves the following concepts and tasks explained in this chapter:

- [Creating Library Groups](#)
- [Using General Library Attributes](#)
- [Delay and Slew Attributes](#)
- [Defining Units](#)
- [Using Piecewise Linear Attributes](#)

2.1 Creating Library Groups

The `library` group contains the entire library description. Each library source file must have only one `library` group. Attributes that apply to the entire library are defined at the `library` group level, at the beginning of the library description.

2.1.1 *library* Group

The `library` group statement defines the name of the library you want to describe. This statement must be the first executable line in your library.

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
  ...  
}
```

2.2 Using General Library Attributes

These attributes apply generally to the technology library:

- `technology`
- `delay_model`
- `bus_naming_style`
- `routing_layers`

2.2.1 *technology* Attribute

This attribute identifies the following technology tools used in the library:

- CMOS (default)
- FPGA

The `technology` attribute must be the first attribute defined and is placed at the top of the listing. If no `technology` attribute is entered, the default is assumed.

Syntax

```
technology (name_enum) ;
```

name

Valid values are CMOS or FPGA. If you specify FPGA, you must also specify the `fpga_technology` attribute at the library level. The default is CMOS.

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
    technology (cmos);  
    ...  
}
```

2.2.2 *delay_model* Attribute

This attribute indicates which delay model to use in the delay calculations. The six models are

- `generic_cmos` (default)
- `table_lookup` (nonlinear delay model)
- `piecewise_cmos` (optional)
- `dcm` (Delay Calculation Module)
- `polynomial`

The `delay_model` attribute must follow the `technology` attribute; or, if a `technology` attribute is not present, the `delay_model` attribute must be the first attribute in the library. The default for the `delay_model` attribute, when it is the first attribute in the library, is `generic_cmos`.

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
    delay_model : table_lookup;  
    ...  
}
```

2.2.3 *bus_naming_style* Attribute

This attribute defines the naming convention for buses in the library.

Example

```
bus_naming_style : "Bus%sPin%d";
```

2.2.4 routing_layers Attribute

This attribute declares the routing layers available for place and route for the library. The declaration is a string that represents the symbolic name used later in a library to describe routability information associated with each layer.

The `routing_layers` attribute must be defined in the library before other routability information in a cell. Otherwise, cell routability information in the library is considered an error. Each different library can have only one `routing_layers` attribute.

Syntax

```
routing_layers ("routing_layer_1_name",..., "routing_layer_n_name")  
;
```

Example

```
routing_layers ("routing_layer_one,  
routing_layer_two");
```

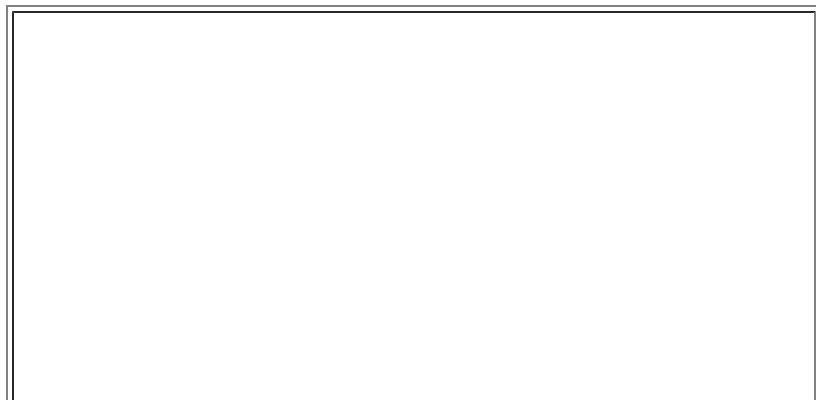
2.3 Delay and Slew Attributes

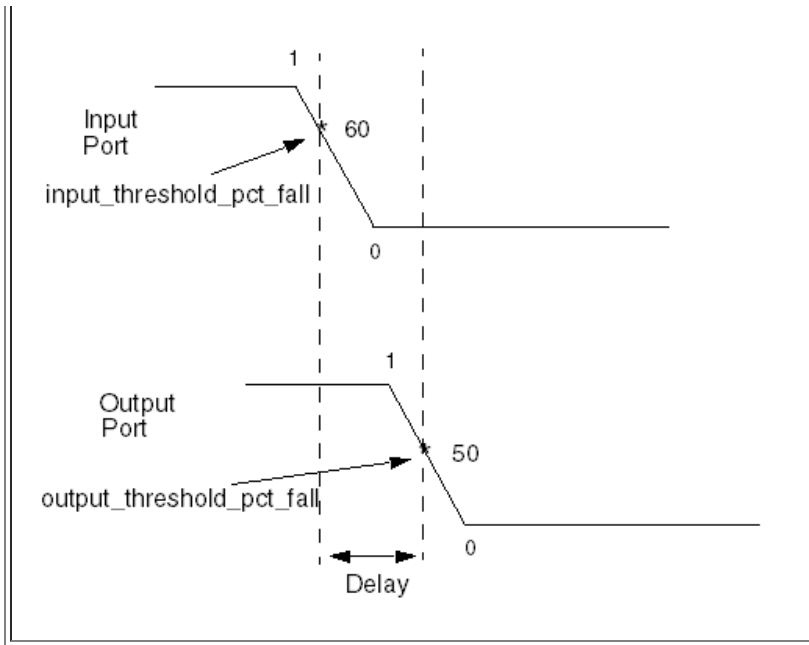
This section describes attributes used to set the values of the input and output pin threshold points used to model delay and slew.

Delay is the time it takes for the output signal voltage, which is falling from 1 to 0, to fall to the threshold point set with the `output_threshold_pct_fall` attribute after the input signal voltage, which is falling from 1 to 0, has fallen to the threshold point set with the `input_threshold_pct_fall` attribute (see [Figure 2-1](#)).

Delay is also the time it takes for the output signal, which is rising from 0 to 1, to rise to the threshold point set with the `output_threshold_pct_rise` attribute after the input signal, which is rising from 0 to 1, has risen from 0 to the threshold point set with the `input_threshold_pct_rise` attribute.

Figure 2-1 Delay Modeling for Falling Signal





Slew is the time it takes for the voltage value to fall or rise between two designated threshold points on an input, an output, or a bidirectional port. The designated threshold points must fall within a voltage falling from 1 to 0 or rising from 0 to 1.

Use the following attributes to enter the two designated threshold points to model the time for voltage falling from 1 to 0:

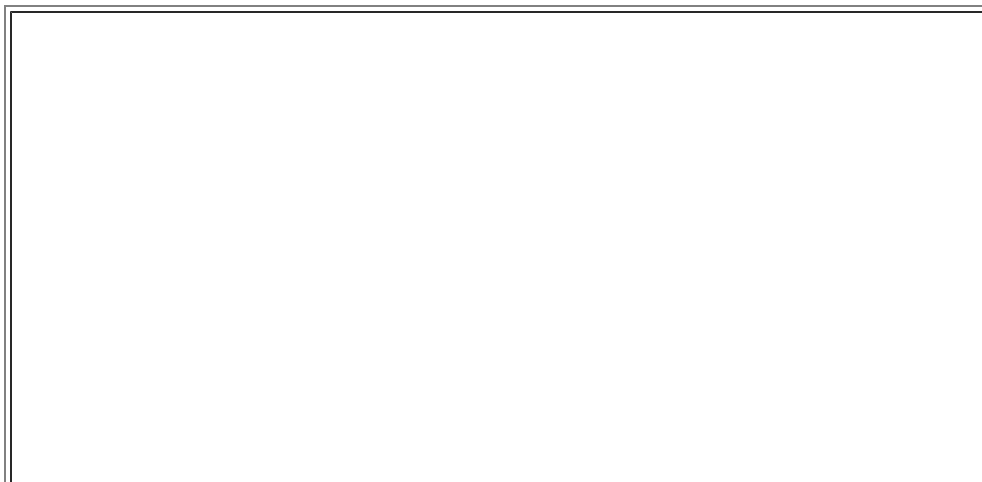
- `slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall`
- `slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall`

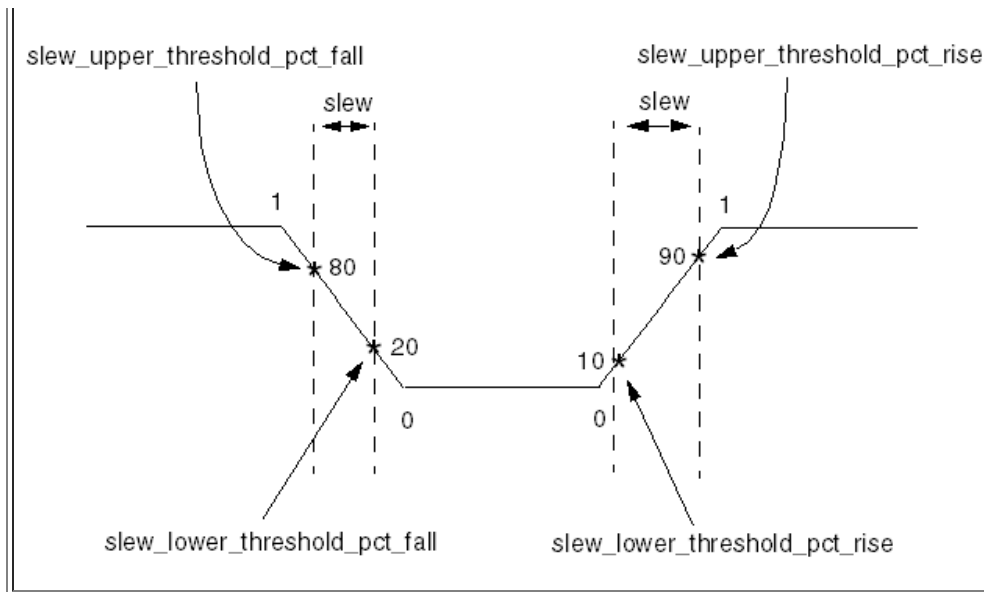
Use the following attributes to enter the two designated threshold points to model the time for voltage rising from 0 to 1:

- `slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise`
- `slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise`

[Figure 2-2](#) shows an example of slew modeling.

Figure 2-2 Slew Modeling





2.3.1 `input_threshold_pct_fall` Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. This value is used the delay of a signal transmitting from an input pin to an output pin.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : 60.0 ;
```

2.3.2 `input_threshold_pct_rise` Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. This value is used in modeling the delay of a signal transmitting from an input pin to an output pin.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : 40.0 ;
```

2.3.3 *output_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute*

Use the `output_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an output pin signal falling from 1 to 0. This value is used in modeling the delay of a signal transmitting from an input pin to an output pin.

Syntax

```
output_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an output pin signal falling from 1 to 0. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
output_threshold_pct_fall : 40.0 ;
```

2.3.4 *output_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute*

Use the `output_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an output pin signal rising from 0 to 1. This value is used in modeling the delay of a signal transmitting from an input pin to an output pin.

Syntax

```
output_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an output pin signal rising from 0 to 1. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
output_threshold_pct_rise : 40.0 ;
```

2.3.5 *slew_derate_from_library Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_derate_from_library` attribute to specify how the transition times found in the library need to be derated to match the transition times between the characterization trip points.

Syntax

```
slew_derate_from_library : derate_value ;
```

derate

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 1.0. The default is 1.0.

Example

```
slew_derate_from_library : 0.5 ;
```

2.3.6 *slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the lower threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : trip_point_value ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the lower threshold point in modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. The default is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
```

2.3.7 *slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the lower threshold point used to model the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : trip_point_value ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the

lower threshold point in modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. The default is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
```

2.3.8 *slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall* Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the upper threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. The default is 80.0.

Example

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
```

2.3.9 *slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise* Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the upper threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point that used in modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. The default is 80.0.

Example

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
```

2.4 Defining Units

Use these six library-level attributes to define units:

- `time_unit`
- `voltage_unit`
- `current_unit`
- `pulling_resistance_unit`
- `capacitive_load_unit`
- `leakage_power_unit`

The unit attributes identify the units of measure, such as nanoseconds or picofarads, used in the library definitions.

2.4.1 *time_unit Attribute*

The VHDL library generator uses this attribute to identify the physical time unit used in the generated library.

Example

```
time_unit : "10ps";
```

2.4.2 *voltage_unit Attribute*

Use this attribute to scale the contents of the `input_voltage` and `output_voltage` groups. Additionally, the `voltage` attribute in the `operating_conditions` group represents values in the voltage units.

Syntax

```
voltage_unit : unit ;
```

unit

Valid values are 1mV, 10mV, 100mV, and 1V. The default is 1V.

Example

```
voltage_unit : "100mV";
```

2.4.3 *current_unit Attribute*

This attribute specifies the unit for the drive current that is generated by output pads. The `pulling_current` attribute for a pull-up or pull-down transistor also represents its values in this unit.

Syntax

```
current_unit : value ;
```

enum

value

The valid values are 1uA, 10uA, 100uA, 1mA, 10mA, 100mA, and 1A. No default exists for the `current_unit` attribute if the attribute is omitted.

Example

```
current_unit : "1mA";
```

2.4.4 *pulling_resistance_unit* Attribute

Use this attribute to define pulling resistance values for pull-up and pull-down devices.

Syntax

```
pulling_resistance_unit : "unit" ;
```

unit

Valid unit values are 1ohm, 10ohm, 100ohm, and 1kohm. No default exists for `pulling_resistance_unit` if the attribute is omitted.

Example

```
pulling_resistance_unit : "10ohm";
```

2.4.5 *capacitive_load_unit* Attribute

This attribute specifies the unit for all capacitance values within the technology library, including default capacitances, `max_fanout` capacitances, pin capacitances, and wire capacitances.

Syntax

```
capacitive_load_unit (valuefloat:unitenum) ;
```

value

A floating-point number.

unit

Valid values are ff and pf.

The first line in the following example sets the capacitive load unit to 1 pf. The second line represents

capacitance in terms of the standard unit load of an inverter.

Example

```
capacitive_load_unit(1,pf);
```

2.4.6 leakage_power_unit Attribute

This attribute indicates the units of the power values in the library. If this attribute is missing, the leakage-power values are expressed without units.

Syntax

```
leakage_power_unit : value_enum ;
```

value

Valid values are 1mW, 100μW, 10μW, 1μW, 100nW, 10nW, 1nW, 100pW, 10pW, and 1pW.

Example

```
leakage_power_unit : 100uW;
```

2.5 Using Piecewise Linear Attributes

Use these library-level attributes for libraries with piecewise linear delay models:

- piece_type
- piece_define

2.5.1 piece_type Attribute

This attribute lets you use capacitance to define the piecewise linear model.

Syntax

```
piece_type : value_enum ;
```

value

Valid values are piece_length, piece_wire_cap, piece_pin_cap, and piece_total_cap.

Example

```
piece_type : piece_length;
```

The *piece_wire_cap*, *piece_pin_cap*, and *piece_total_cap* values represent the piecewise linear model extensions that cause modeling to use capacitance instead of length. These values are used to indicate wire capacitance alone, total pin capacitance, or the total wire and pin capacitance. If the *piece_type* attribute is not defined, modeling defaults to the *piece_length* model.

2.5.2 *piece_define* Attribute

This attribute defines the pieces used in the piecewise linear delay model. With this attribute, you can define the ranges of length or capacitance for indexed variables, such as *rise_pin_resistance*, used in the delay equations.

You must include in this statement all ranges of wire length or capacitance for which you want to enter a unique attribute value.

Example

```
piece_define ("0 10 20") ;
```

Each capacitance is a positive floating-point number defining the lower limit of the respective range. A piece of wire whose capacitance is between *range0* and *range1* is identified as *piece0*, a capacitance between *range1* and *range2* is piece 1, and so on.

You must include in the *piece_define* statement all ranges of wire length or capacitance for which you want to enter a unique attribute value.

3. Building Environments

Variations in operating temperature, supply voltage, and manufacturing process cause performance variations in electronic networks.

The environment attributes include various attributes and tasks, covered in the following sections:

- [Library-Level Default Attributes](#)
- [Defining Operating Conditions](#)
- [Defining Power Supply Cells](#)
- [Defining Wire Load Groups](#)
- [Specifying Delay Scaling Attributes](#)

3.1 Library-Level Default Attributes

Global default values are set at the library level. You can override many of these defaults.

3.1.1 Setting Default Cell Attributes

The following attributes are defaults that apply to all cells in a library.

[default_cell_leakage_power](#) Simple Attribute

Indicates the default leakage power for those cells that do not have the `cell_leakage_power` attribute. This attribute must be a nonnegative floating-point number. If it is not defined, this attribute defaults to 0.0.

Example

```
default_cell_leakage_power : 0.5;
```

[default_leakage_power_density](#) Simple Attribute

This library-level attribute provides the mean static leakage power per area unit in the given technology. This attribute must be a nonnegative floating-point number. If it is not defined, this attribute defaults to 0.0.

Example

```
default_leakage_power_density : 0.5;
```

3.1.2 Setting Default Pin Attributes

Default pin attributes apply to all pins in a library and deal with timing. How you define default timing attributes in your library depends on the timing delay model you use. The CMOS nonlinear delay model does not support default timing attributes. Use only the

default attributes that apply to your timing model, which can be one of the following:

- CMOS generic delay model
- CMOS piecewise linear delay model

All Delay Models

These are the defaults that apply to all pins in a library. The attributes described in this section apply to all delay models.

```
default_inout_pin_cap : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `capacitance` for all I/O pins in the library.

```
default_input_pin_cap : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `capacitance` for all input pins in the library.

```
default_output_pin_cap : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `capacitance` for all output pins in the library.

```
default_max_fanout : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `max_fanout` for all output pins in the library.

```
default_max_transition : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `max_transition` for all output pins in the library.

```
default_fanout_load : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `fanout_load` for all input pins in the library.

The following example shows the default pin attributes in a CMOS library:

Example 3-1 Default Pin Attributes for a CMOS Library

```
library (example) {  
  ...  
  /* default pin attributes */  
  default_inout_pin_cap      : 1.0 ;  
  default_input_pin_cap     : 1.0 ;  
  default_output_pin_cap    : 0.0 ;  
  default_fanout_load       : 1.0 ;  
  default_max_fanout        : 10.0 ;  
  default_max_transition     : 15.0 ;  
  ...  
}
```

CMOS Generic Delay Model

These are the default timing attributes for a library that uses a CMOS generic delay model. In each attribute, *value* is a floating-point number.

```
default_inout_pin_fall_res : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for fall_resistance for all I/O pins in a library.

```
default_output_pin_fall_res : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for fall_resistance for all output pins in the library.

```
default_inout_pin_rise_res : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for rise_resistance for all I/O pins in the library.

```
default_output_pin_rise_res : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for rise_resistance for all output pins in the library.

```
default_slope_fall : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for slope_fall for all output pins in the library.

```
default_slope_rise : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for slope_rise for all output pins in the library.

```
default_intrinsic_fall : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for intrinsic_fall for all timing arcs in the library.

```
default_intrinsic_rise : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for intrinsic_rise for all timing arcs in the library.

[Example 3-2](#) sets the default timing attributes for a generic delay model.

Example 3-2 Setting Standard Timing Default Attributes

```
library (example) {  
  ...  
  /* default timing attributes */  
  default_inout_pin_fall_res : 12.0;  
  default_output_pin_fall_res : 12.0;  
  default_inout_pin_rise_res : 15.2;  
  default_output_pin_rise_res : 15.3;  
  default_intrinsic_fall      : 1.0;  
  default_intrinsic_rise      : 1.0;  
  ...  
}
```

Piecewise Linear Delay Model

These are the default timing attributes for a library that uses a piecewise linear delay model. In each attribute, *value* is a floating-point number.

```
default_rise_delay_intercept : value_float ;
```


Sets a default value for `rise_delay_intercept` on all output pins in the library.

```
default_fall_delay_intercept : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `fall_delay_intercept` on all output pins in the library.

```
default_rise_pin_resistance : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `rise_pin_resistance` on all output pins in the library.

```
default_fall_pin_resistance : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `fall_pin_resistance` on all output pins in the library.

```
default_intrinsic_fall : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `intrinsic_fall` for all timing arcs in the library.

```
default_intrinsic_rise : value_float ;
```

Sets a default value for `intrinsic_rise` for all timing arcs in the library.

[Example 3-3](#) shows the default timing attributes setting for a piecewise linear timing delay model.

Example 3-3 Setting Piecewise Linear Default Timing Attributes

```
library (example) {  
    ...  
    /* default timing attributes */  
    default_rise_delay_intercept : 1.0;  
    default_fall_delay_intercept : 1.0;  
    default_rise_pin_resistance  : 1.5;  
    default_fall_pin_resistance  : 0.4;  
    default_intrinsic_fall       : 1.0;  
    default_intrinsic_rise       : 1.0;  
    ...  
}
```

3.1.3 Setting Wire Load Defaults

Use the following library-level attributes to set wire load defaults.

default_wire_load Attribute

Assigns the default values to the `wire_load` group, unless you assign a different value for `wire_load` before compiling the design.

Syntax

```
default_wire_load : wire_load_name;
```

Example

```
default_wire_load : WL1;
```

default_wire_load_capacitance Attribute

Specifies a value for the default wire load capacitance.

Syntax

```
default_wire_load_capacitance : value;
```

Example

```
default_wire_load_capacitance : .05;
```

default_wire_load_resistance Attribute

Specifies a value for the default wire load resistance.

Syntax

```
default_wire_load_resistance : value;
```

Example

```
default_wire_load_resistance : .067;
```

default_wire_load_area Attribute

Specifies a value for the default wire load area.

Syntax

```
default_wire_load_resistance : value;
```

Example

```
default_wire_load_area : 0.33;
```

3.1.4 Setting Other Environment Defaults

Use the following library-level attributes to set other environment defaults.

default_max_utilization Attribute

Defines the upper limit placed on the utilization of a chip.

Syntax

```
default_max_utilization : value;
```

Example

```
default_max_utilization : 0.08;
```

Utilization is the percentage of total die size taken up by the total cell area. For example, if the total cell area is 100,000 and the total die size on which these cells are placed is 150,000, then utilization is 66.6 percent. The utilization of a chip implicitly defines how much room there is for routing between layers of silicon.

Generally, the higher the utilization you place on a chip, the more difficult a design is to route, because there is less physical area available for doing the routing.

default_operating_conditions Attribute

Assigns a default `operating_conditions` group name for the library. It must be specified after all `operating_conditions` groups. If this attribute is not used, nominal operating conditions apply. See [“Defining Operating Conditions”](#).

Syntax

```
default_operating_conditions : operating_condition_name;
```

Example

```
default_operating_conditions : WCCOM1;
```

default_connection_class Attribute

Sets a default value for `connection_class` for all pins in a library.

Example

```
default_connection_class : name1 [name2 name3 ...];
```

3.1.5 Examples of Library-Level Default Attributes

[Example 3-4](#) illustrates a library-level default attribute setting for a CMOS library. The `wire_load` and `operating_conditions` group statements illustrate the requirement that group names that are referred to by the default attributes, such as WL1 and OP1, must be defined in the library.

Example 3-4 Setting Library-Level Defaults for a CMOS Library

```
library (example) {  
    ...
```

```

/* default cell attributes */

default_cell_leakage_power : 0.2;

/* default pin attributes */

default_inout_pin_cap : 1.0;
default_input_pin_cap : 1.0;
default_intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
default_intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
default_output_pin_cap : 0.0;
default_slope_fall : 0.0;
default_slope_rise : 0.0;
default_fanout_load : 1.0;
default_max_fanout : 10.0;

/* default timing attributes */

default_inout_pin_fall_res : 0.2;
default_output_pin_fall_res : 0.2;
default_inout_pin_rise_res : 0.33;
default_output_pin_rise_res : 0.4;

wire_load (WL1) {
    ...
}
operating_conditions (OP1) {
    ...
}
default_wire_load : WL1;
default_operating_conditions : OP1;
default_wire_load_mode : enclosed;
...
}

```

3.2 Defining Operating Conditions

The following section explains how to define and determine various operating conditions for a technology library.

3.2.1 *operating_conditions* Group

An `operating_conditions` group is defined in a library group.

Syntax

```
library ( lib_name )  
{  
  operating_conditions ( name )  
  {  
    ... operating  
    conditions description ...  
  }  
}
```

name

Identifies the set of operating conditions. Names of all `operating_conditions` groups and `wire_load` groups must be unique within a library.

The `operating_conditions` groups are useful for testing timing and other characteristics of your design in predefined simulated environments. The following attributes are defined in an `operating_conditions` group:

calc_mode : *name* ;

An optional attribute that you use to identify the associated process mode.

power_rail (*name* , *value*)

Identifies all power supplies that have the nominal operating conditions (defined in the `operating_conditions` group) and the nominal voltage values.

process : *multiplier* ;

The scaling factor accounts for variations in the outcome of the actual semiconductor manufacturing steps, typically 1.0 for most technologies. The multiplier is a floating-point number from 0 through 100.

temperature : *value* ;

The ambient temperature in which the design is to operate. The value is a floating-point number.

voltage : *value* ;

The operating voltage of the design, typically 5 volts for a CMOS library. The value is a floating-point number from 0 through 1,000, representing the absolute value of the actual voltage.

Note:

Define voltage units consistently.

tree_type : *model* ;

The definition for the environment interconnect model.. The model is one of the following three models:

- *best_case_tree*
Models the case in which the load pin is physically adjacent to the driver. In the best case, all wire capacitance is incurred but none of the wire resistance must be overcome.
- *balanced_tree*
Models the case in which all load pins are on separate, equal branches of the interconnect wire. In the balanced case, each load pin incurs an equal portion of the total wire capacitance and wire resistance.
- *worst_case_tree*
Models the case in which the load pin is at the extreme end of the wire. In the worst case, each load pin incurs both the full wire capacitance and the full wire resistance.

3.2.2 *timing_range* Group

A *timing_range* group models statistical fluctuations in the defined operating conditions defined for your design during the optimization process. A *timing_range* group is defined at the library-group level:

```
library (lib_name) {
  timing_range (name) {
    ... timing_range description ...
  }
}
```

A *timing_range* group defines two multipliers that scale the signal arrival times computed by the timing analyzer when it evaluates timing constraints.

In the following attributes, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

faster_factor : *multiplier* ;

Scaling factor applied to the signal arrival time to model the fastest-possible arrival time.

slower_factor : *multiplier* ;

Scaling factor applied to the signal arrival time to model the slowest-possible arrival time.

[Example 3-5](#) describes the SLOW_RANGE and FAST_RANGE timing ranges.

Example 3-5 Defining Timing Ranges

```
library (example) {
  ...
  timing_range (SLOW_RANGE) {
    faster_factor : 1.05;
    slower_factor : 1.2;
  }
  timing_range (FAST_RANGE) {
```

```

    faster_factor : 0.90;
    slower_factor : 0.96;
}
...
}

```

In the SLOW_RANGE timing range, the possible delays are from 1.05 to 1.2 times the delay calculated by the timing analyzer. In the FAST_RANGE timing range, the possible delays are 0.90 to 0.96 times the delay calculated by the timing analyzer.

3.3 Defining Power Supply Cells

Use the `power_supply` group to model multiple power supply cells.

3.3.1 *power_supply* group

The `power_supply` group captures all nominal information about voltage variation. It is defined before the `operating_conditions` group and before the `cell` groups. All the power supply names defined in the `power_supply` group exist in the `operating_conditions` group. Define the `power_supply` group at the library level.

Syntax

```

power_supply () {
    default_power_rail : string ;
    power_rail (string, float) ;
    power_rail (string, float) ;
    ...
}

```

Example

```

power_supply () {
    default_power_rail : VDD0;
    power_rail (VDD1, 5.0) ;
    power_rail (VDD2, 3.3) ;
}

```

3.4 Defining Wire Load Groups

Use the `wire_load` group and the `wire_load_selection` group to specify values for the capacitance factor, resistance factor, area factor, slope, and `fanout_length` you want to apply to the wire delay model for different sizes of circuitry.

3.4.1 *wire_load* Group

The `wire_load` group has an extended `fanout_length` complex attribute.

Define the `wire_load` group at the library level.

Syntax

```
wire_load(name){
  resistance : value ;
  capacitance : value ;
  area : value ;
  slope : value ;
  fanout_length(fanoutint, lengthfloat)\

  average_capacitancefloat, standard_deviationfloat\

  number_of_netsint);
}
```

In a `wire_load` group, you define the estimated wire length as a function of fanout. You can also define scaling factors to derive wire resistance, capacitance, and area from a given length of wire.

You can define any number of `wire_load` groups in a technology library, but all `wire_load` groups and `operating_conditions` groups must have unique names.

You can define the following simple attributes in a `wire_load` group:

resistance : *value* ;

Specifies a floating-point number representing wire resistance per unit length of interconnect wire.

capacitance : *value* ;

Specifies a floating-point number representing capacitance per unit length of interconnect wire.

area : *value* ;

Specifies a floating-point number representing the area per unit length of interconnect wire.

slope : *value* ;

Specifies a floating-point number representing slope. This attribute characterizes linear fanout length behavior beyond the scope of the longest length described by the `fanout_length` attributes.

You can define the following complex attribute in a `wire_load` group:

```
fanout_length ( fanoutint, lengthfloat, average_capacitancefloat \
standard_deviationfloat , number_of_netsint );
```

`fanout_length` is a complex attribute that defines values that

represent fanout and length. The *fanout* value is an integer; *length* is a floating-point number.

When you create a wire load manually, define only *fanout* and *length*.

You must define at least one pair of *fanout* and *length* points per wire load model. You can define as many additional pairs as necessary to characterize the fanout-length behavior you want.

```
interconnect_delay (template_name) {  
  values(float,...float,...float,...float,...) ; }
```

The `interconnect_delay` group specifies the lookup table template and the wire delay values.

Specify the `interconnect_delay` values.

To overwrite the default index values, specify the new index values before the `interconnect_delay` values, as shown here.

3.4.2 *wire_load_table* Group

You can use the `wire_load_table` group to estimate accurate connect delay. Compared to the `wire_load` group, this group is more flexible, because wire capacitance and resistance no longer have to be strictly proportional to each other. In some cases, this results in more-accurate connect delay estimates.

Syntax

```
wire_load_table(namestring)  
{  
  fanout_length(fanoutint, lengthfloat);  
  
  fanout_capacitance(fanoutint, capacitancefloat);  
  
  fanout_resistance(fanoutint, resistancefloat);  
  fanout_area(fanoutint,  
  areafloat);  
}
```

In the `wire_load` group, the `fanout_capacitance`, `fanout_resistance`, and `fanout_area` values represent per-length coefficients. In the `wire_load_table` group the values are exact.

3.5 Specifying Delay Scaling Attributes

You specify scaling factors in the technology library environment. These k-factors (attributes that begin with `k_`) are multipliers that scale defined library values, taking into consideration the effects of changes in process, temperature, and voltage.

To model the effects of process, temperature, and voltage variations on circuit timing, use the following:

- k-factors that apply to the entire library and are defined at the library level.
- User-selected operating conditions that override the values in the library for an individual cell (see [“Scaling Factors for Individual Cells”](#)).

The scaling factors you define for your library depend on the timing delay model you use.

The following k-factors are specific to timing delay models:

- Intrinsic delay factors
- Slope sensitivity factors (CMOS generic delay model)
- Drive capability factors (CMOS generic delay model)
- Pin and wire capacitance factors
- Wire resistance factors
- Pin resistance factors (CMOS piecewise linear delay model)
- Intercept delay factors (CMOS piecewise linear delay model)
- Power scaling factors

Note:

Scaling factors have no effect on the scalable polynomial delay model.

- Timing constraint factors

3.5.1 Intrinsic Delay Factors

Intrinsic delay factors scale the intrinsic delay according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the intrinsic-rise delay or intrinsic-fall delay of all cells in the library. In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_intrinsic_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic fall delay of a timing arc to model process variation.

```
k_process_intrinsic_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic rise delay of a timing arc to model process variation.

```
k_temp_intrinsic_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic fall delay of a timing arc to model temperature variation.

```
k_temp_intrinsic_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic rise delay of a timing arc to model temperature variation.

```
k_volt_intrinsic_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic fall delay of a timing arc to model voltage variation.

```
k_volt_intrinsic_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to the intrinsic rise delay of a timing arc to model voltage variation.

3.5.2 Slope Sensitivity Factors

You can define slope sensitivity factors only in a library using a CMOS linear delay model.

The slope sensitivity factors scale the delay slope according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the rise-delay slope or fall-delay slope of all cells in the library.

In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_slope_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc fall slope sensitivity to model process variation.

```
k_process_slope_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc rise slope sensitivity to model process variation.

```
k_temp_slope_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc fall slope sensitivity to model temperature variation.

```
k_temp_slope_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc rise slope sensitivity to model temperature variation.

```
k_volt_slope_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc fall slope sensitivity to model voltage variation.

```
k_volt_slope_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc rise slope sensitivity to model voltage variation.

3.5.3 Drive Capability Factors

You can define drive capability factors only in a library using a CMOS linear delay model.

The drive capability factors scale the drive capability of a pin according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of a pin's drive capability in rise-delay or fall-delay analysis. In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_drive_current : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `drive_current` to model process variation.

`k_process_drive_fall : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `fall_resistance` to model process variation.

`k_process_drive_rise : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `rise_resistance` to model process variation.

`k_temp_drive_current : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `drive_current` to model temperature variation.

`k_temp_drive_fall : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `fall_resistance` to model temperature variation.

`k_temp_drive_rise : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `rise_resistance` to model temperature variation.

`k_volt_drive_current : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `drive_current` to model voltage variation.

`k_volt_drive_fall : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `fall_resistance` to model voltage variation.

`k_volt_drive_rise : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to timing arc `rise_resistance` to model voltage variation.

3.5.4 Pin and Wire Capacitance Factors

The pin and wire capacitance factors scale the capacitance of a pin or wire according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the capacitance of a pin or a wire. In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

`k_process_pin_cap : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to pin capacitance to model process variation.

`k_process_wire_cap : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to wire capacitance to model process variation.

`k_temp_pin_cap : multiplier ;`

Scaling factor applied to pin capacitance to model temperature variation.

```
k_temp_wire_cap : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to wire capacitance to model temperature variation.

```
k_volt_pin_cap : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to pin capacitance to model voltage variation.

```
k_volt_wire_cap : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to wire capacitance to model voltage variation.

3.5.5 CMOS Wire Resistance Factors

Wire resistance factors scale wire resistance according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the wire resistance.

In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_wire_res : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to wire resistance to model process variation.

```
k_temp_wire_res : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to wire resistance to model temperature variation.

```
k_volt_wire_res : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to wire resistance to model voltage variation.

3.5.6 Pin Resistance Factors

You can define pin resistance factors only in libraries that use a CMOS piecewise linear delay model.

Pin-resistance factors scale resistance according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the pin resistance. In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_rise_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to *rise_pin_resistance* to model process variation.

```
k_process_fall_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to *fall_pin_resistance* to model process variation.

```
k_temp_rise_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to *rise_pin_resistance* to model temperature variation.

```
k_temp_fall_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `fall_pin_resistance` to model temperature variation.

```
k_volt_rise_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `rise_pin_resistance` to model voltage variation.

```
k_volt_fall_pin_resistance : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `fall_pin_resistance` to model voltage variation.

3.5.7 Intercept Delay Factors

You can define intercept delay factors only in libraries that use a CMOS piecewise linear delay model.

Intercept delay factors scale the delay intercept according to process, temperature, and voltage variations. These factors are used with slope- or intercept-type timing equations.

Each attribute gives the multiplier for a certain portion of the rise and fall intercepts of all cells in the library. In the following syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number:

```
k_process_rise_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `rise_delay_intercept` to model process variation.

```
k_process_fall_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `fall_delay_intercept` to model process variation.

```
k_temp_rise_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `rise_delay_intercept` to model temperature variation.

```
k_temp_fall_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `fall_delay_intercept` to model temperature variation.

```
k_voltage_rise_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `rise_delay_intercept` to model voltage variation.

```
k_voltage_fall_delay_intercept : multiplier ;
```

Scale factor applied to `fall_delay_intercept` to model voltage variation.

3.5.8 Power Scaling Factors

You can define power factors only in libraries that use a CMOS technology. Power scaling factors scale the power computation according to process, temperature, and voltage. In the syntax, *multiplier* is a floating-point number. The power scaling factors are listed as follows:

```
k_process_cell_leakage_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `cell_leakage_power` attribute.

```
k_process_internal_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `internal_power` attribute.

```
k_temp_cell_leakage_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `cell_leakage_power` attribute.

```
k_temp_internal_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `internal_power` attribute.

```
k_volt_cell_leakage_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `cell_leakage_power` attribute.

```
k_volt_internal_power : multiplier ;
```

Specifies environmental derating factors for the `internal_power` attribute.

3.5.9 Timing Constraint Factors

Timing-constraint factors scale the following timing constraint values to account for the effects of changes in process, temperature, and voltage:

- Setup time
- Hold time
- No-change time
- Recovery time
- Removal time
- Minimum pulse width
- Minimum clock period
- Skew

For setup, hold, and recovery time constraints, the k-factors containing the rise suffix are applied to the related `intrinsic_rise` value of the constraint `timing` group. Those with the fall suffix are applied to the related `intrinsic_fall` value.

For minimum pulse width constraints, the factors with the high suffix are applied to the `min_pulse_width_high` constraint. Those with the low suffix are applied to the `min_pulse_width_low` constraint.

In the following syntax examples, the scaling factor (multiplier) for temperature and voltage constraints is a floating-point number; for process constraints, the factor is a nonnegative floating-point number.

```
k_process_hold_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model process variation.

```
k_process_hold_fall : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model process variation.

k_process_removal_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model process variation.

k_process_removal_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_hold_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_hold_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_removal_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_removal_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_hold_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_hold_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to hold constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_removal_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_removal_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to removal constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_setup_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model process variation.

k_process_setup_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_setup_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_setup_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_setup_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_setup_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to setup constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_nochange_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model process variation.

k_process_nochange_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_nochange_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_nochange_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_nochange_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_nochange_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to no-change constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_recovery_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model process variation.

k_process_recovery_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_recovery_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_recovery_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_recovery_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_recovery_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to recovery constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_min_pulse_width_high : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model process variation.

k_process_min_pulse_width_low : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_min_pulse_width_high : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_min_pulse_width_low : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_min_pulse_width_high : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model voltage variation.

k_volt_min_pulse_width_low : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum pulse width constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_min_period : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum period constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_min_period : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum period constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_min_period : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to minimum period constraints to model voltage variation.

k_process_skew_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model process variation.

k_process_skew_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model process variation.

k_temp_skew_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model temperature variation.

k_temp_skew_rise : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model temperature variation.

k_volt_skew_fall : multiplier ;

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model voltage variation.

```
k_volt_skew_rise : multiplier ;
```

Scaling factor applied to skew constraints to model voltage variation.

3.5.10 Delay Scaling Factors Example

[Example 3-6](#) shows delay scaling factors for a CMOS generic delay model.

Example 3-6 Setting k-Factors

```
library (example) {  
    ...  
    k_process_drive_fall      : 1.0;  
    k_process_drive_rise     : 1.0;  
    k_process_hold_rise      : 1.0;  
    k_process_hold_fall     : 1.0;  
    k_process_intrinsic_fall : 1.0;  
    k_process_intrinsic_rise : 1.0;  
    k_process_pin_cap        : 0.0;  
    k_process_slope_fall    : 1.0;  
    k_process_slope_rise    : 1.0;  
    k_process_wire_cap      : 0.0;  
    k_process_wire_res      : 1.0;  
    k_temp_drive_fall       : 0.004;  
    k_temp_drive_rise       : 0.004;  
    k_temp_hold_rise        : 0.0037;  
    k_temp_hold_fall        : 0.0037;  
    k_temp_intrinsic_fall   : 0.004;  
    k_temp_intrinsic_rise   : 0.004;  
    k_temp_pin_cap          : 0.0;  
    k_temp_slope_fall       : 0.0;  
    k_temp_slope_rise       : 0.0;  
    k_temp_wire_cap         : 0.0;  
    k_temp_wire_res         : 0.0;  
    k_volt_drive_fall       : -0.4;  
    k_volt_drive_rise       : -0.4;  
    k_volt_hold_rise        : -0.26;  
    k_volt_hold_fall        : -0.26;  
    k_volt_intrinsic_fall   : -0.4;  
    k_volt_intrinsic_rise   : -0.4;  
    k_volt_pin_cap          : 0.0;  
    k_volt_slope_fall       : 0.0;  
    k_volt_slope_rise       : 0.0;  
    k_volt_wire_cap         : 0.0;  
    k_volt_wire_res         : 0.0;  
    ...  
}
```

In [Example 3-6](#), only the intrinsic-rise, intrinsic-fall, rise-resistance, and fall-resistance delays are affected by a change in operating voltage. Setting the other voltage factors to

0.0 negates changes to them.

3.5.11 Scaling Factors for Individual Cells

The k-factors you define for a library as a whole do not produce accurate timing for certain cells, because not all cells in the same library scale uniformly: Pads scale differently from core cells, the timing of voltage-level pads varies with temperature, and some cells are designed to produce a constant delay and do not scale at all.

Other cells do not scale in a linear manner for process, voltage, or temperature. You can define a special set of scaling factors in a library-level group called `scaling_factors` and apply the k-factors in this group to selected cells by using the `scaling_factors` attribute.

You can apply library-level k-factors to the majority of cells in your library and use this construct to provide additional accurate scaling factors for special cells. [Example 3-7](#) uses the special scaling factors.

Example 3-7 Individual Scaling Factors

```
library (example) {
    k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.987 ;
    ...
    scaling_factors("IO_PAD_SCALING") {
        k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.846 ;
        ...
    }
    cell (INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS) {
        area : 0 ;
        scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING ;
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

[Example 3-7](#) defines a scaling factor group called `IO_PAD_SCALING` that contains k-factors that are different from the library-level k-factors.

You can use any k-factors in a `scaling_factors` group. The `scaling_factors` attribute in the `INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS` cell is set to `IO_PAD_SCALING`, so all k-factors set in the `IO_PAD_SCALING` group are applied to the cell.

By default, all cells without a `scaling_factors` attribute continue to use the library-level k-factors.

You can model cells that do not scale at all, by creating a `scaling_factors` group in which all the k-factor values are set to 0.0.

3.5.12 Scaling Factors Associated With the Nonlinear Delay Model

As with the other delay models, the CMOS nonlinear delay model scaling factors scale the delay based on the variation in process, temperature, and voltage. The following

scaling factors are specific to the CMOS nonlinear delay model:

- k_process_cell_rise
- k_temp_cell_rise
- k_volt_cell_rise
- k_process_cell_fall
- k_temp_cell_fall
- k_volt_cell_fall
- k_process_rise_propagation
- k_temp_rise_propagation
- k_volt_rise_propagation
- k_process_fall_propagation
- k_temp_fall_propagation
- k_volt_fall_propagation
- k_process_rise_transition
- k_temp_rise_transition
- k_volt_rise_transition
- k_process_fall_transition
- k_temp_fall_transition
- k_volt_fall_transition

Define the scaling factors for setup, hold, recovery, removal, and skew in the nonlinear delay model as you do for the other delay models. For the nonlinear delay model, however, they apply to the values given in the associated constraint table.

For example, the timing constraint equation for setup rise is

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{rise_constraint} * (1 + \text{delta_voltage} * \text{k_volt_setup_rise}) \\ & * (1 + \text{delta_temp} * \text{k_temp_setup_rise}) \\ & * (1 + \text{delta_process} * \text{k_process_setup_rise}) \end{aligned}$$

where `rise_constraint` is a value in the `rise_constraint` table of the timing arc.

These are the scaling factors for the `setup_rising` timing constraint:

- k_volt_setup_rise
- k_temp_setup_rise
- k_process_setup_rise

The `scaling_factors` group is not affected by the change from linear to nonlinear delay model. The scaling factors for setup rise are valid in the `scaling_factors` group.

4. Library Characterization Configuration

Library information is generated by characterizing the behavior of the library cells under specific conditions. You can specify these conditions in one or more of the `char_config` groups. Specifying the library characterization settings includes the following concepts and tasks explained in this chapter:

- [The char_config Group](#)
- [Common Characterization Attributes](#)
- [CCS Timing Characterization Attributes](#)
- [Input-Capacitance Characterization Attributes](#)

4.1 The char_config Group

The `char_config` group represents library characterization configuration and is a group of attributes that specify the settings to characterize a library. The library characterization settings include general and specific settings. The general settings are for common tasks, such as characterizing delays, input waveforms, output loads, and handling simulation results. The specific settings include settings for specific characterization models, such as delay, slew, constraint, power, and capacitance models.

Without the appropriate settings, library data can be misinterpreted. This can result in significant differences between the library data and SPICE simulation results. These settings are also critical for accurate recharacterization of the library.

You can define the `char_config` group within the `library`, `cell`, `pin`, and `timing` groups. You should use only one `char_config` group within each of these groups.

4.1.1 Library Characterization Configuration Syntax

[Example 4-1](#) shows the general syntax for library characterization configuration.

Example 4-1 General Syntax for Library Characterization Configuration

```
library (library_name) {
    char_config() {
        /* characterization configuration attributes */
    }
    ...
    cell (cell_name) {
        char_config() {
            /* characterization configuration attributes */
        }
        ...
        pin(pin_name) {
            char_config() {
                /* characterization configuration attributes */
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
    timing() {
        char_config() {
            /* characterization configuration attributes
*/
            }
        } /* end of timing */
        ...
    } /* end of pin */
    ...
} /* end of cell */
...
} /* end of library */

```

The `char_config` group includes simple, and complex characterization configuration attributes.

These characterization configuration attributes are divided into the following categories:

- Common configuration
- Three-state
- Composite current source (CCS) timing
- Input capacitance

[Example 4-2](#) shows the use of these attributes to document the library characterization settings.

Example 4-2 Library Characterization Configuration Example

```

library (library_test) {
    lu_table_template(waveform_template) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        variable_2 : normalized_voltage;
        index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
    }
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : input_driver;
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
            "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
            ...
            "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
    }
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : input_driver_cell_test;
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \

```

```

        "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
        ...
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
    }
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver_rise;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
           "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
           ...
           "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver_fall;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
           "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
           ...
           "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
char_config() {
/* library level default attributes*/
    driver_waveform(all, input_driver);
    input_stimulus_transition(all, 0.1);
    input_stimulus_interval(all, 100.0);
    unrelated_output_net_capacitance(all, 1.0);
    default_value_selection_method(all, any);
    merge_tolerance_abs( nldm, 0.1 );
    merge_tolerance_abs( constraint, 0.1 );
    merge_tolerance_abs( capacitance, 0.01) ;
    merge_tolerance_abs( nlpm, 0.05) ;
    merge_tolerance_rel( all, 2.0) ;
    merge_selection( all, max) ;
    three_state_disable_measurement_method : current;
    three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs : 0.05;
    three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel : 2.0;
    three_state_disable_monitor_node : tri_monitor;
    three_state_cap_add_to_load_index : true;
    ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;
    ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel: 2.0 ;
    ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise :
20.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise :

```



```

50.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall :
80.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise :
20.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall :
80.0;
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 20.0;
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 50.0;
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 50.0;
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 80.0;
    ...
}
...
cell (cell_test) {
    char_config() {
        /* input driver for cell_test specifically */
        driver_waveform (all, input_driver_cell_test);
        /* specific default arc selection method for constraint
*/
        default_value_selection_method (constraint, max);
        default_value_selection_method_rise(nldm_transition,
min);
        default_value_selection_method_fall(nldm_transition,
max);
        ...
    }
    ...
    pin(pin1) {
        char_config() {
            driver_waveform_rise(delay, input_driver_rise);
        }
        ...
        timing() {
            char_config() {
                driver_waveform_rise(constraint,
input_driver_rise);
                driver_waveform_fall(constraint,
input_driver_fall);
                /* specific ccs segmentation tolerance for this timing arc
*/
                ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 2.0 ;
            }
        } /* timing */
    }
}

```

```

    } /* pin */
  } /* cell */
} /* lib */

```

4.2 Common Characterization Attributes

To specify the common characterization settings, set the common configuration attributes. All common configuration attributes of the `char_config` group are complex. A complex characterization configuration attribute has the following syntax:

Syntax

```
complex_attribute_name ( char_model, value ) ;
```

The first argument of the complex attribute is the characterization model. The second argument is a value of this attribute, such as a waveform name, a specific characterization method, a numerical value of a model parameter, or other values. Use the syntax to apply the attribute value to a specific characterization model. You can specify multiple complex attributes in the `char_config` group. You can also specify a single complex attribute multiple times for different characterization models.

However, when you specify the same attribute in multiple `char_config` groups at different levels, such as at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels, the attribute specified at the lower level gets priority over the ones specified at the higher levels. For example, the pin-level `char_config` group attributes have higher priority over the library-level `char_config` group attributes. [Table 4-1](#) lists the valid characterization models of the `char_config` group and their corresponding descriptions.

Table 4-1 Valid Characterization Models of the `char_config` Group

Characterization model	Description
all	Default model. The all model has the lowest priority among the characterization models. Any other characterization model overrides the all model.
ndlm	Nonlinear delay model (NLDM)
nldm_delay nldm_transition	Specific NLDMs with higher priority over the default NLDM
capacitance	Capacitance model
constraint	Constraint model
constraint_setup constraint_hold constraint_recovery constraint_removal constraint_skew constraint_min_pulse_width constraint_no_change constraint_non_seq_setup constraint_non_seq_hold constraint_minimum_period	Specific constraint models with higher priority over the general constraint model

nlpm	Nonlinear power model (NLPM)
nlpm_leakage nlpm_input	nlpm_output Specific NLPMS with higher priority over the general NLPM

[Example 4-3](#) shows the syntax of the characterization configuration complex attributes.

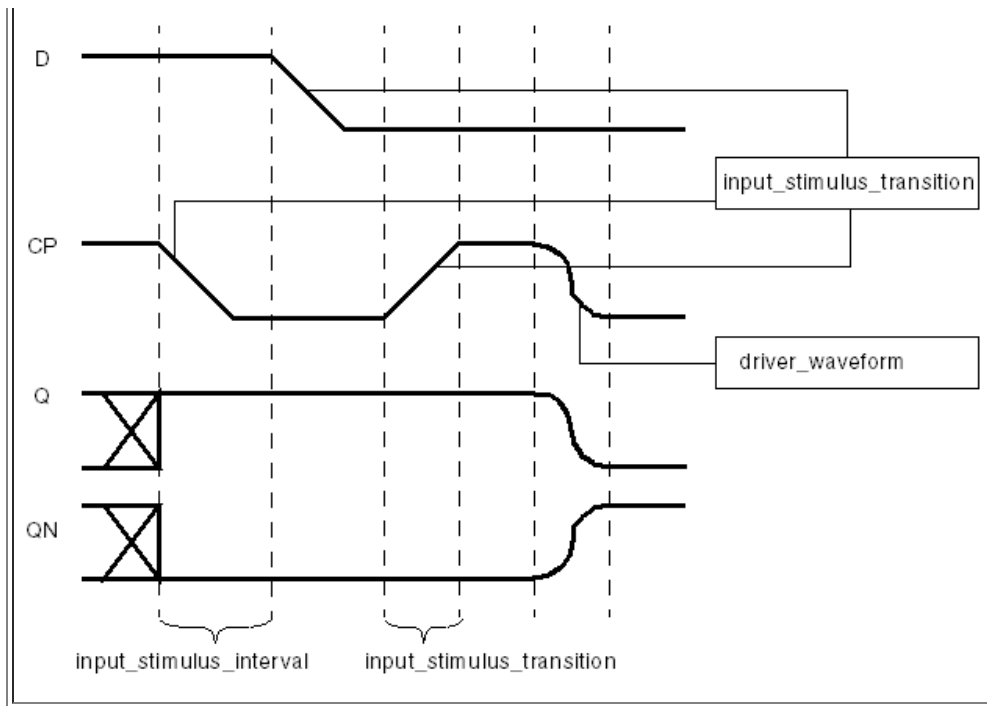
Example 4-3 Syntax of Common Configuration Complex Attributes in the char_config Group

```
char_config() {
  driver_waveform(char_model, waveform_name);
  driver_waveform_rise(char_model, waveform_name);
  driver_waveform_fall(char_model, waveform_name);
  input_stimulus_transition(char_model, float);
  input_stimulus_interval(char_model, float);
  unrelated_output_net_capacitance(char_model, float);
  default_value_selection_method(char_model, method);
  default_value_selection_method_rise(char_model, method
);
  default_value_selection_method_fall(char_model, method
);
  merge_tolerance_abs(char_model, float) ;
  merge_tolerance_rel(char_model, float) ;
  merge_selection(char_model, method) ;
  ...
}
```

[Figure 4-1](#) illustrates the use of driver_waveform, input_stimulus_transition, and input_stimulus_interval attributes for the delay arc characterization of a D flip-flop.

Figure 4-1 Delay Arc Characterization





In [Figure 4-1](#), an input stimulus with multiple transitions characterizes the delay arc, CP to Q or QN. The `input_stimulus_transition` and `input_stimulus_interval` attributes define and control the transitions and corresponding intervals, respectively. The `driver_waveform` attribute controls the last transition of the clock pulse, CP.

4.2.1 *driver_waveform Attribute*

The `driver_waveform` attribute defines the driver waveform to characterize a specific characterization model.

You can define the `driver_waveform` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels. If you define the `driver_waveform` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library level, the library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group is ignored when the `driver_waveform_name` attribute is not defined.

If you do not define this attribute in the `char_config` group, the ramp waveform is used by default.

4.2.2 *driver_waveform_rise and driver_waveform_fall Attributes*

The `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes define a specific rising and falling driver waveform, respectively, for a specific characterization model.

You can define the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes within the `char_config` group at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels. If you define the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes within the `char_config` group at the library level, the library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group is ignored when the `driver_waveform_name` attribute is not defined.

If you do not define these attributes in the `char_config` group, the ramp waveform is used by default.

4.2.3 *input_stimulus_transition Attribute*

The `input_stimulus_transition` attribute specifies the transition time for all the input-signal edges except the arc input pin's last transition, during generation of the input stimulus for simulation. For example, in [Figure 4-1](#), the last transition of the clock pulse, CP, uses the `driver_waveform` attribute, and not the `input_stimulus_transition` attribute.

The time units of the `input_stimulus_transition` attribute are specified by the library-level `time_unit` attribute.

You must define this attribute.

4.2.4 *input_stimulus_interval Attribute*

The `input_stimulus_interval` attribute specifies the time-interval between the input-signal toggles to generate the input stimulus for a characterization cell. The time units of this attribute are specified by the library-level `time_unit` attribute.

You must define the `input_stimulus_interval` attribute.

4.2.5 *unrelated_output_net_capacitance Attribute*

The `unrelated_output_net_capacitance` attribute specifies a load value for an output pin that is not a related output pin of the characterization model. The valid value is a floating-point number, and is defined by the library-level `capacitive_load_unit` attribute.

If you do not specify this attribute for the `nldm_delay` and `nlpm_output` characterization models, the unrelated output pins use the load value of the related output pin. However, you must specify this attribute for any other characterization model.

4.2.6 *default_value_selection_method Attribute*

The `default_value_selection_method` attribute defines the method of selecting a default value for

- The delay arc from state-dependent delay arcs.
- The constraint arc from state-dependent constraint arcs.
- Pin-based minimum pulse-width constraints from simulated results with side pin combinations.
- Internal power arcs from multiple state-dependent `internal_power` groups.
- The `cell_leakage_power` attribute from the state-dependent values in leakage power models.
- The input-pin capacitance from capacitance values for input-slew values used for timing characterization.

4.2.7 *default_value_selection_method_rise and default_value_selection_method_fall Attributes*

Use the `default_value_selection_method_rise` and `default_value_selection_method_fall` attributes when the selection methods for rise and fall are different.

You must define either the `default_value_selection_method` attribute, or the `default_value_selection_method_rise` and `default_value_selection_method_fall` attributes. [Table 4-2](#) lists the valid selection methods for the `default_value_selection_method`, `default_value_selection_method_rise`, `default_value_selection_method_fall`, and `merge_selection` attributes and their descriptions.

Table 4-2 Valid Common Configuration Selection Methods

Method	Description
<code>any</code>	Selects a random value from the state-dependent data
<code>min</code>	Selects the minimum value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
<code>max</code>	Selects the maximum value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
<code>average</code>	Selects an average value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
<code>min_mid_table</code>	<p>When the state-dependent data is a lookup table (LUT), this method selects the minimum value from the LUT. The minimum value is selected by comparing the middle value in the LUT, with each of the table-values.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>The middle value corresponds to an index value. If the number of index values is odd, then the middle value is taken as the median value. However, if the number of index values is even, then the smaller of the two values is selected as the middle value.</p>
<code>max_mid_table</code>	<p>When the state-dependent data is a lookup table (LUT), this method selects the maximum value from the LUT. The maximum value is selected by comparing the middle value in the LUT, with each of the table-values.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>The middle value corresponds to an index value. If the number of index values is odd, then the middle value is taken as the median value. However, if the number of index values is even, then the smaller of the two values is selected as the middle value.</p>
<code>follow_delay</code>	Selects the value from the state-dependent data for delay selection. This method is valid only for the <code>nldm_transition</code> characterization model,

that is, the `follow_delay` method applies specifically to default transition-table selection and not any other default value selection.

4.2.8 *merge_tolerance_abs* and *merge_tolerance_rel* Attributes

The `merge_tolerance_abs` and `merge_tolerance_rel` attributes specify the absolute and relative tolerances, respectively, to merge arc simulation results. Specify the absolute tolerance value in the corresponding library unit, and the relative tolerance value in percent, for example, 10.0 for 10 percent.

If you specify both the `merge_tolerance_abs` and `merge_tolerance_rel` attributes, the results are merged if either or both the tolerance conditions are satisfied. If you do not specify any of these attributes, data is not merged, including identical data.

4.2.9 *merge_selection* Attribute

The `merge_selection` attribute specifies the method of selecting the merged data. When multiple sets of state-dependent data are merged, the attribute selects a particular set of the state-dependent data to represent the merged data. See [Table 4-2](#) for the valid methods and their descriptions of the `merge_selection` attribute.

You must define the `merge_selection` attribute if you have defined either of the `merge_tolerance_abs` or `merge_tolerance_rel` attributes.

4.3 CCS Timing Characterization Attributes

To specify the CCS timing characterization settings, set the simple attributes that define CCS timing generation. [Example 4-4](#) shows the syntax of these simple attributes.

Example 4-4 Syntax of CCS Timing Simple Attributes

```
char_config() {
    ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: float;

    ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel: float;
    ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel: float ;

    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : float;

    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float;

    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float;

    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float;

    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : float;

    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float;

    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float;
```

```

    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float;
    ...
}

```

You must define all these attributes if the library includes a CCS model.

4.3.1 *ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel Attribute*

The `ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the maximum permissible voltage difference between the simulation waveform and the CCS waveform to select the CCS model point. The floating-point value is specified in percent, where 100.0 represents 100 percent maximum permissible voltage difference.

4.3.2 *ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel Attribute*

The `ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the acceptable difference between the CCS waveform delay and the delay measured from simulation. The floating-point value is specified in percent, where 100.0 represents 100 percent acceptable difference.

4.3.3 *ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel Attribute*

The `ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the voltage tolerance to determine whether a signal has reached the rail-voltage value. The floating-point value is specified as a percentage of the rail voltage, such as 96.0 for 96 percent of the rail voltage.

4.3.4 *CCS Receiver Capacitance Attributes*

The following attributes specify the current integration limits, as a percentage of the voltage, to calculate the CCS receiver capacitances:

- `receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise`
- `receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise`
- `receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall`
- `receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall`
- `receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise`
- `receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise`
- `receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall`
- `receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall`

The floating-point values of these attributes can vary from 0.0 to 100.0.

4.4 Input-Capacitance Characterization Attributes

To specify input-capacitance characterization settings, set the simple attributes that define input-capacitance measurement. [Example 4-5](#) shows the syntax of these simple attributes.

Example 4-5 Syntax of Input-Capacitance Characterization Simple Attributes

```
char_config() {  
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : float;  
  
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float;  
  
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float;  
  
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float;  
  
    ...  
}
```

Each floating-point threshold value is specified as a percentage of the supply voltage, and can vary from 0.0 to 100.0.

You must define all the simple attributes mentioned in [Example 4-5](#), in the `char_config` group for input-capacitance characterization.

4.4.1 capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise and capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall Attributes

The `capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise` and `capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall` attributes specify the lower-threshold value of a rising and falling voltage waveform, respectively, for calculating the NLDM input-pin capacitance.

4.4.2 capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise and capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall Attributes

The `capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise` and `capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall` attributes specify the upper-threshold value of a rising and falling voltage waveform, respectively, for calculating the NLDM input-pin capacitance.

5. Defining Core Cells

Cell descriptions are a major part of a technology library. They provide information about the area, function, and timing of each component in an ASIC technology.

Defining core cells for CMOS technology libraries involves the following concepts and tasks described in this chapter:

- [Defining cell Groups](#)
- [Defining Cell Routability](#)
- [Defining Bused Pins](#)
- [Defining Signal Bundles](#)
- [Defining Layout-Related Multibit Attributes](#)
- [Defining scaled_cell Groups](#)
- [Defining Multiplexers](#)
- [Defining Decoupling Capacitor Cells, Filler Cells, and Tap Cells](#)

5.1 Defining cell Groups

A `cell` group defines a single cell in the technology library. This section discusses the attributes in a `cell` group.

For information about groups within a `cell`, see the following sections in this chapter:

- [“Defining Bused Pins”](#)
- [“Defining Signal Bundles”](#)
- [“Defining scaled_cell Groups”](#)

See [Chapter 4](#), “`test_cell`” for a test cell with a `test_cell` group. See [Example 5-2](#) for an example cell description.

5.1.1 `cell` Group

The `cell` group statement gives the name of the cell being described. It appears at the `library` group level, as shown here:

```
library (lib_name) {  
    ...  
    cell( name ) {  
        ... cell description ...  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Use a *name* that corresponds to the name the ASIC vendor uses for the cell. When naming cells, remember that names are case-sensitive. For example, the cell names, AND2, and2, and And2 are all different. Cell names beginning with a number must be

enclosed in quotation marks.

```
cell( AND2 ) {  
... cell description ...  
}
```

To describe a CMOS cell group, you use the `type` group and these attributes:

- `area`
- `bundle ()`
- `bus ()`
- `cell_footprint`
- `clock_gating_integrated_cell`
- `contention_condition`
- `handle_negative_constraint`
- `is_clock_gating_cell`
- `map_only`
- `pad_cell`
- `pad_type`
- `pin_equal`
- `pin_opposite`
- `preferred`
- `scaling_factors`

5.1.2 *area* Attribute

This attribute specifies the cell area.

Syntax

```
area : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number. No units are explicitly given for the value, but you should use the same unit for the area of all cells in a library. Typical area units include gate equivalents, square microns, and transistors.

Example

```
area : 2.0;
```

For unknown or undefined (black box) cells, the `area` attribute is optional. Unless a cell is a pad cell, it should have an `area` attribute. Pad cells should be given an area of 0.0, because they are not used as internal gates.

5.1.3 *cell_footprint* Attribute

This attribute assigns a footprint class to a cell.

Syntax

```
cell_footprint : class_nameid ;
```

class_name

A character string that represents a footprint class. The string is case-sensitive: And4 is different from and4.

Example

```
cell_footprint : 5MIL ;
```

Characters in the string are case-sensitive.

Use this attribute to assign the same footprint class to all cells that have the same layout boundary. Cells with the same footprint class are considered interchangeable and can be swapped during in-place optimization.

If the `in_place_swap_mode` attribute is set to `match_footprint`, a cell can have only one footprint. Cells without `cell_footprint` attributes are not swapped during in-place optimization.

5.1.4 *clock_gating_integrated_cell* Attribute

An integrated clock-gating cell is a cell that you or your library developer creates to use especially for clock gating. The cell integrates the various combinational and sequential elements of a clock gate into a single cell that is compiled into gates and located in the technology library.

Consider using an integrated clock-gating cell if you are experiencing timing problems caused by the introduction of randomly chosen logic on your clock line.

Use the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute to specify a value that determines the integrated cell functionality to be used by the clock-gating tools.

Syntax

```
clock_gating_integrated_cell : generic|valueid;
```

generic

When you specify an attribute value of `generic`, the actual type of clock gating integrated cell structure is determined by accessing the function specified on the library pin.

Note:

Statetables and state functions should not be

used. Use latch groups with function groups instead.

value

A concatenation of up to four strings that describe the cell's functionality to the clock-gating tools:

- The first string specifies the type of sequential element you want. The options are latch-gating logic and none.
- The second string specifies whether the logic is appropriate for rising- or falling-edge-triggered registers. The options are `posedge` and `negedge`.
- The third (optional) string specifies whether you want test-control logic located before or after the latch or not at all. The options for cells set to latch are `precontrol` (before), `postcontrol` (after), or `no entry`. The options for cells set to no gating logic are `control` and `no entry`.
- The fourth (optional) string, which exists only if the third string does, specifies whether you want observability logic or not. The options are `obs` and `no entry`.

Example

```
clock_gating_integrated_cell : "latch_posedge_precontrol_obs"
;
```

[Table 5-1](#) lists some example values for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute:

Table 5-1 Values for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` Attribute

When the value is	The integrated cell must contain
<code>latch_negedge</code>	Latch-based gating logic. Logic appropriate for falling-edge-triggered registers.
<code>latch_posedge_postcontrol</code>	Latch-based gating logic. Logic appropriate for rising-edge-triggered registers. Test-control logic located after the latch.
<code>latch_negedge_precontrol</code>	Latch-based gating logic. Logic appropriate for falling-edge-triggered registers. Test-control logic located before the latch.
<code>none_posedge_control_obs</code>	Latch-free gating logic. Logic appropriate for rising-edge-triggered registers. Test-control logic (no latch). Observability logic.

Setting Pin Attributes for an Integrated Cell

The clock-gating tool requires that you set the pins of your integrated cells by using the attributes listed in [Table 5-2](#). Setting some of the pin attributes, such as those for test and observability, is optional.

Table 5-2 Pin Attributes for Integrated Clock-Gating Cells

Integrated cell pin name	Data direction	Required attribute
clock	in	clock_gate_clock_pin
enable	in	clock_gate_enable_pin
test_mode or scan_enable	in	clock_gate_test_pin
observability	out	clock_gate_obs_pin
enable_clock	out	clock_gate_out_pin

For details about these pin attributes, see the following sections:

- [“clock_gate_clock_pin Attribute”](#)
- [“clock_gate_enable_pin Attribute”](#)
- [“clock_gate_obs_pin Attribute”](#)
- [“clock_gate_out_pin Attribute”](#)
- [“clock_gate_test_pin Attribute”](#)

Setting Timing for an Integrated Cell

You set both the setup and hold arcs on the enable pin by setting the `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute for the integrated cell to `true`. The setup and hold arcs for the cell are determined by the edge values you enter for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute. [Table 5-3](#) lists the edge values and the corresponding setup and hold arcs.

Table 5-3 Values of the clock_gating_integrated_cell Attributes

Value	Setup arc	Hold arc
latch_posedge	rising	rising
latch_negedge	falling	falling
none_posedge	falling	rising
none_negedge	rising	falling

5.1.5 contention_condition Attribute

Specifies the contention conditions for a cell. Contention is a clash of 0 and 1 signals. In certain cells, it can be a forbidden condition and cause circuits to short.

Syntax

```
contention_condition : "Boolean  
expression" ;
```

Example

```
contention_condition : "!ap * an" ;
```

5.1.6 *handle_negative_constraint* Attribute

Specifies whether the cell needs negative constraint handling. It is an optional Boolean attribute for timing constraints in a `cell` group.

Syntax

```
handle_negative_constraint : true | false ;
```

Example

```
handle_negative_constraint : true ;
```

If you omit this attribute, the VITAL generator does not write out the negative constraint handling structure.

5.1.7 *is_macro_cell* Attribute

The `is_macro_cell` attribute identifies whether a cell is a macro cell. If the attribute is set to `true`, the cell is a macro cell. If it is set to `false`, the cell is not a macro cell.

Example

```
is_macro_cell : true;
```

5.1.8 *pad_cell* Attribute

The `pad_cell` attribute in a `cell` group identifies the cell as a pad.

Syntax

```
pad_cell : true | false ;
```

If the `pad_cell` attribute is included in a cell definition (`true`), at least one pin in the cell must have an `is_pad` attribute.

Example

```
pad_cell : true ;
```

5.1.9 *pin_equal Attribute*

This attribute describes a group of logically equivalent input or output pins in the cell.

Syntax

```
pin_equal ("name_list") ;
```

name_list

A list of input or output pins whose values must be equal.

5.1.10 *pin_opposite Attribute*

This attribute describes functionally opposite (logically inverse) groups of pins in a cell. The `pin_opposite` attribute also incorporates the functionality of `pin_equal`.

Syntax

```
pin_opposite ("name_list1",  
"name_list2") ;
```

name_list1, name_list2

A *name_list* of output pins requires the supplied output values to be opposite. A *name_list* of input pins requires the supplied input values to be opposite.

Example

```
pin_opposite("Q1 Q2 Q3", "QB1 QB2") ;
```

In this example, Q1, Q2, and Q3 are equal; QB1 and QB2 are equal; and the pins of the first group are opposite to the pins of the second group.

Note:

Use the `pin_opposite` attribute only in cells without function information or when you want to define required inputs.

5.1.11 *scaling_factors Attribute*

This attribute applies the scaling factors defined in the `scaling_factors` group.

Syntax


```
scaling_factors : group_nameid ;
```

group_name

Name of the set of special scaling factors in a `scaling_factors` statement at the library level.

Example

```
scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING ;
```

You can define a special set of scaling factors in the library-level group called `scaling_factors` and apply these scaling factors to selected cells, using the `scaling_factors` cell attribute. You can apply library-level scaling factors to the majority of cells in your library while using these constructs to provide more-accurate scaling factors for special cells.

By default, all cells without a `scaling_factors` attribute continue to use the library-level scaling factors.

[Example 5-1](#) shows one of these special scaling factors in the library description and cell description.

Example 5-1 Individual Scaling Factors

```
library (example) {  
    k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.987 ;  
    ...  
    scaling_factors(IO_PAD_SCALING) {  
        k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.846 ;  
        ...  
    }  
    cell (INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS) {  
        area : 0 ;  
        scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING ;  
        ...  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

[Example 5-1](#) defines a scaling factor group called `IO_PAD_SCALING` that contains scaling factors different from the library-level scaling factors. The `scaling_factors` attribute in the `INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS` cell is set to `IO_PAD_SCALING`, so all scaling factors set in the `IO_PAD_SCALING` group are applied to this cell.

5.1.12 *vhdl_name* Attribute

This attribute defines valid VHDL object names.

Syntax

```
vhdl_name : "nameid";
```

Example

```
vhdl_name : "INb" ;
```

5.1.13 type Group

The `type` group, when defined within a cell, is a type definition local to the cell. It cannot be used outside of the cell.

Example

```
type (bus4) {  
    base_type : array;  
    data_type : bit;  
    bit_width : 4;  
    bit_from : 0;  
    bit_to : 3;  
}
```

5.1.14 cell Group Example

[Example 5-2](#) shows cell definitions that include some of the CMOS cell attributes described in this section.

Example 5-2 cell Group Example

```
library (cell_example){  
    date : "August 14, 2002";  
    revision : 2000.03;  
    scaling_factors(IO_PAD_SCALING) {  
        k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.846;  
    }  
    cell (inout){  
        pad_cell : true;  
        dont_use : true;  
        dont_fault : sa0;  
        dont_touch : true;  
        vhdl_name : "inpad";  
        area : 0;          /* pads do not normally consume  
internal  
                                core area */  
        cell_footprint : 5MIL;  
        scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING;  
        pin (A) {  
            direction : input;
```

```

        capacitance : 0;
    }
    pin (Z) {
        direction : output;
        function : "A";
        timing () {
            ...
        }
    }
}
cell(inverter_med){
    area : 3;
    preferred : true;
    pin (A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin (Z) {
        direction : output;
        function : "A' ";
        timing () {
            ...
        }
    }
}
cell(nand){
    area : 4;
    pin(A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
        fanout_load : 1.0;
    }
    pin(B) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
        fanout_load : 1.0;
    }

    pin (Y) {
        direction : output;
        function : "(A * B)' ";
        timing() {
            ...
        }
    }
}
cell(buff1){
    area : 3;
    pin (A) {

```

```

        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin (Y) {
        direction : output;
        function : "A ";
        timing () {
            ...
        }
    }
}
} /* End of Library */

```

5.1.15 mode_definition Group

A `mode_definition` group declares a `mode` group that contains several timing mode values.

Syntax

```

cell(name_string) {
    mode_definition(name_string) {
        mode_value(name1) {
            when : "Boolean expression" ;
            sdf_cond : "sdf_expression_string" ;
        }
        mode_value(name_string) {
            when : "Boolean expression" ;
            sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;
        }
    }
}

```

Group Statement

```
mode_value (name_string) { }
```

Specifies the condition that a timing arc depends on to activate a path.

mode_value Group

The `mode_value` group contains several mode values within a `mode` group. You can optionally put a condition on a mode value. When the condition is true, the `mode` group takes that value.

Syntax

```
mode_value (name_string)
```

```
{ }
```

Simple Attributes

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;  
sdf : "Boolean expression" ;
```

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute specifies the condition that a timing arc depends on to activate a path. The valid value is a Boolean expression.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
when: !R;
```

sdf_cond Simple Attribute

The `sdf_cond` attribute supports Standard Delay Format (SDF) file generation and condition matching during back-annotation.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
sdf_cond: "R == 0";
```

[Example 5-3](#) shows a `mode_definition` description.

Example 5-3 mode_definition Description

```
cell(example_cell) {  
  ...  
  mode_definition(rw) {  
    mode_value(read) {  
      when : "R";  
      sdf_cond : "R == 1";  
    }  
    mode_value(write) {  
      when : "!R";  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

        sdf_cond : "R == 0";
    }
}
}

```

5.2 Defining Cell Routability

To add routability information for the cell, define a `routing_track` group at the `cell` group level.

5.2.1 `routing_track` Group

A `routing_track` group is defined at the `cell` group or `model` group level.

Syntax

```

library (name_string){
  cell (name_string){
    routing_track (routing_layer_name_string){
      ... routing track description ...
    }
  }
}

```

A `routing_track` group contains the following attributes:

- `tracks`
- `total_track_area`

Names must be unique for each `routing_track` group and must be declared in the `routing_layers` attribute of the `library` group.

`tracks` Attribute

This attribute indicates the number of tracks available for routing on any particular layer. Use an integer larger than or equal to 0. This attribute is not currently used for optimization reporting.

Syntax

```

tracks : value_int ;

value

```

A number larger than or equal to 0.

Example

```

tracks : 2 ;

```

total_track_area Attribute

This attribute specifies the total routing area of the routing tracks.

Syntax

```
total_track_area : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number larger than or equal to 0.0 and less than or equal to the area on the cell.

Example

```
total_track_area : 0.2;
```

Each routing layer declared in the `routing_layers` attribute must have a corresponding `routing_track` group in a cell. If it does not, a warning is issued when the library is compiled. Do not use two `routing_track` groups for the same routing layer in the same cell.

[Example 5-4](#) shows a library that contains routability information.

Example 5-4 A Library With Routability Information

```
library(lib_with_routability) {
  default_min_porosity : 15.0;
  routing_layers("metal2", "metal3");
  cell("ND2") {
    area :1;
    ...
  }
  cell("ND2P") {
    area : 2;
    routing_track(metal2) {
      tracks : 2;
      total_track_area : 0.2;
    }
    routing_track(metal3) {
      tracks : 4;
      total_track_area : 0.4;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Note:

For a scaled cell or test cell, routability information is not allowed.
For pad cells, routability information is optional.

5.3 Defining pin Groups

For each pin in a cell, the `cell` group must contain a description of the pin characteristics. You define pin characteristics in a `pin` group within the `cell` group.

A `pin` group often contains a `timing` group and an `internal_power` group.

[Example 5-12](#) shows a `pin` group specification.

5.3.1 `pin` Group

You can define a `pin` group within a `cell`, `test_cell`, `scaled_cell`, `model`, or `bus` group.

```
library (lib_name) {
...
  cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin ( name | name_list ) {
      ... pin group description ...
    }
  }
  cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    bus (bus_name) {
      ... bus group description ...
    }
    bundle (bundle_name) {
      ... bundle group description ...
    }
    pin ( name | name_list ) {
      ... pin group description ...
    }
  }
}
```

See [“Defining Bused Pins”](#) for descriptions of bus groups. See [“Defining Signal Bundles”](#) for descriptions of bundle groups.

The `pin` groups are also valid within `test_cell` groups. They have different requirements from `pin` groups in `cell`, `bus`, or `bundle` groups. See [“”](#) for specific information and restrictions on describing test pins.

All pin names within a single `cell`, `bus`, or `bundle` group must be unique. Pin names are case-sensitive: pins named `A` and `a` are different pins.

You can describe pins with common attributes in a single `pin` group. If a cell contains two pins with different attributes, two separate `pin` groups are required. Grouping pins with common technology attributes can significantly reduce the size of a cell description that includes many pins.

In the following example, the AND cell has two pins: A and B.

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
  pin (B) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
}
```

Because pins A and B have the same attributes, the cell can also be described as

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A,B) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
}
```

5.3.2 General pin Group Attributes

To define a pin, use these general pin group attributes:

- capacitance
- clock_gate_clock_pin
- clock_gate_enable_pin
- clock_gate_obs_pin
- clock_gate_out_pin
- clock_gate_test_pin
- complementary_pin
- connection_class
- direction
- dont_fault
- driver_type
- fall_capacitance
- fault_model
- inverted_output
- is_analog
- pin_func_type
- rise_capacitance

- `steady_state_resistance`
- `test_output_only`

capacitance Attribute

The `capacitance` attribute defines the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin. The load is defined with a floating-point number, in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for capacitance include picofarads and standardized loads.

Syntax

```
capacitance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for capacitance include picofarads and standardized loads.

The following example shows a `bundle` group that defines a `capacitance` attribute value of 1 for input pins D0, D1, D2, and D3 in bundle D:

Example

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a capacitance of one unit.

```
cell (AND) {
    area : 3 ;
    vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
    pin (A,B) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 1 ;
    }
}
```

If the `timing` groups in a cell include the output-pin capacitance effect in the intrinsic-delay specification, do not specify capacitance values for the cell's output pins.

clock_gate_clock_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_clock_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to a clock signal.

Valid values for this attribute are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
clock_gate_clock_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_enable_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute identifies an input port connected to an enable signal for nonintegrated clock-gating cells and integrated clock-gating cells.

Valid values for this attribute are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
clock_gate_enable_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_obs_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_obs_pin` attribute identifies an output port connected to an observability signal.

Valid values for this attribute are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
clock_gate_obs_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_out_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_out_pin` attribute identifies an output port connected to an `enable_clock` signal.

Valid values for this attribute are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
clock_gate_out_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_test_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_test_pin` attribute identifies an input port connected to a `test_mode` or `scan_enable` signal.

Valid values for this attribute are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
clock_gate_test_pin : true;
```

complementary_pin Simple Attribute

The `complementary_pin` attribute supports differential I/O.

Differential I/O assumes the following:

- When the noninverting pin equals 1 and the inverting pin equals 0, the signal gets logic 1.
- When the noninverting pin equals 0 and the inverting pin equals 1, the signal gets logic 0.

Syntax

```
complementary_pin : "string" ;
```

string

Identifies the differential input data inverting pin whose timing information and associated attributes the noninverting pin inherits. Only one input pin is modeled at the cell level. The associated differential inverting pin is defined in the same `pin` group.

For details on the `fault_model` attribute used to define the value when both the complementary pin and the pin that it complements are driven to the same value, see [“fault_model Simple Attribute”](#).

Example

```
cell (diff_buffer) {  
    ...  
    pin (A) { /* noninverting pin /  
        direction : input ;  
        complementary_pin : "DiffA" ;/* inverting pin  
    /  
    }  
}
```

connection_class Simple Attribute

The `connection_class` attribute lets you specify design rules for connections between cells.

Example

```
connection_class : "internal";
```

Only pins with the same connection class can be legally connected. For example, you can specify that clock input must be driven by clock buffer cells or that output pads can be driven only by high-drive pad driver cells between the internal logic and the pad. To do this, you assign the same connection class to the pins that must be connected. For the pad example, you attach a given connection class to the pad driver output and the pad input. This attachment makes it invalid to connect another type of cell to the pad.

[Example 5-5](#) uses connection classes. The `output_pad` cell can be driven only by the `pad_driver` cell. The pad driver's input can be connected to internal core logic, because it has the internal connection class.

[Example 5-6](#) shows the use of multiple connection classes for a single pin. The `high_drive_buffer` cell can drive internal core cells and pad cells, whereas the `low_drive_buffer` cell can drive only internal cells.

Example 5-5 Connection Class Example

```
default_connection_class : "default" ;
cell (output_pad) {
    pin (IN) {
        connection_class : "external_output" ;
        ...
    }
}
cell (pad_driver) {
    pin (OUT) {
        connection_class : "external_output" ;
        ...
    }
    pin (IN) {
        connection_class : "internal" ;
        ...
    }
}
```

Example 5-6 Multiple Connection Classes for a Pin

```
cell (high_drive_buffer) {
    pin (OUT) {
        connection_class : "internal pad" ;
        ...
    }
}
cell (low_drive_buffer) {
    pin (OUT) {
        connection_class : "internal" ;
        ...
    }
}

cell (pad_cell) {
    pin (IN) {
        connection_class : "pad" ;
    }
}
```

```

    ...
}
}
cell (internal_cell) {
    pin (IN) {
        connection_class : "internal" ;
        ...
    }
}

```

direction Attribute

whether the pin being described is an input, output, inout, or bidirectional pin.

Syntax

```
direction : input | output | inout | internal ;
```

Example

```
direction : output;
```

driver_type Attribute

Use the optional `driver_type` attribute to modify the signal on a pin. This attribute specifies a signal mapping mechanism that supports the signal transitions performed by the circuit.

The `driver_type` attribute tells the application tools to use a special pin-driving configuration for the pin during simulation. A pin without this attribute has normal driving capability by default.

A driver type can be one or more of the following:

pull_up

The pin is connected to DC power through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin and it is in the Z state, its function is evaluated as a resistive 1 (H). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 1 (H). For a pull-up cell, the pin stays constantly at logic 1 (H).

pull_down

The pin is connected to DC ground through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin and it is in the Z state, its function is evaluated as a resistive 0 (L). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 0 (L). For a pull-down cell, the pin stays constantly at logic 0 (L).

bus_hold

The pin is a bidirectional pin on a bus holder cell. The pin holds the last logic value present at that pin when no other active drivers are on the associated net. Pins with this driver type cannot have `function` or `three_state` statements.

open_drain

The pin is an output pin without a pull-up transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 1.

open_source

The pin is an output pin without a pull-down transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 0.

resistive

The pin is an output pin connected to a controlled pull-up or pull-down driver with a control port (input). When the control port is disabled, the pull-up or pull-down driver is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When the control port is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin is turned into a weak 0 (L), a functional value of 1 is turned into a weak 1 (H), but a functional value of Z is not affected.

resistive_0

The pin is an output pin connected to DC power through a pull-up driver that has a control port (input). When the control port is disabled, the pull-up driver is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When the control port is enabled, a functional value of 1 evaluated at the pin is turned into a weak 1 (H) but the functional values of 0 and Z are not affected.

resistive_1

The pin is an output pin connected to DC ground through a pull-down driver that has a control port (input). When the control port is disabled, the pull-down driver is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When the control port is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin is turned into a weak 0 (L) but the functional values of 1 and Z are not affected.

Inout pins can have two driver types, one for input and one for output. The only valid combinations are `pull_up` or `pull_down` for input and `open_drain` for output. If you specify only one driver type and it is `bus_hold`, it is used for both input and output. If the single driver type is not `bus_hold`, it is used for output. Specify multiple driver types in one entry in this format:

```
driver_type : "driver_type1 driver_type2" ;
```

Example

This is an example of a pin connected to a controlled pull-up cell that results in a weak 1 when the control port is enabled.

```
function : 1;  
driver_type : resistive;
```

```
three_state_enable : EN;
```

Interpretation of Driver Types

The driver type specifies one of the following signal modifications:

Resolve the value of Z

These driver types resolve the value of Z on an existing circuit node, implying a constant 0 or 1 signal source. They do not perform a function. Resolution driver types are pull_up, pull_down, and bus_hold.

Transform the signal

These driver types perform an actual function on an input signal, mapping the transition from 0 or 1 to L, H, or Z. Transformation driver types are open_drain, open_source, resistive, resistive_0, and resistive_1.

For output pins, the `driver_type` attribute is applied after the pin's functional evaluation. For input pins, this attribute is applied before the signal is used for functional evaluation. See [Table 5-4](#) for the signal mapping and pin types for the different driver types.

Table 5-4 Driver Types

Driver type	Description	Signal mapping	Applicable pin types
pull_up	Resolution	01Z -> 01H	in, out
pull_down	Resolution	01Z -> 01L	in, out
bus_hold	Resolution	01Z -> 01S	inout
open_drain	Transformation	01Z -> 0ZZ	out
open_source	Transformation	01Z -> Z1Z	out
resistive	Transformation	01Z -> LHZ	out
resistive_0	Transformation	01Z -> 0HZ	out
resistive_1	Transformation	01Z -> L1Z	out

Signal Mapping:

0 and 1 represent strong logic 0 and logic 1 values

L represents a weak logic 0 value

H represents a weak logic 1 value

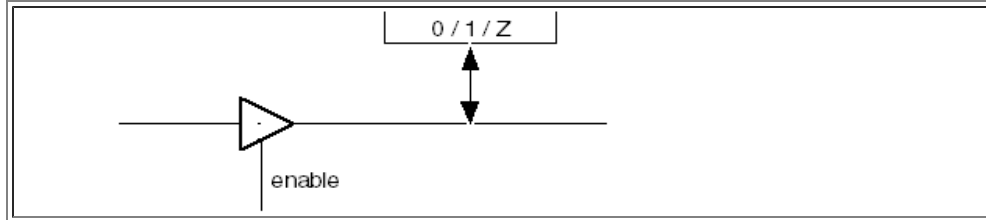
Z represents high impedance

S represents the previous state

Interpreting Bus Holder Driver Type

[Figure 5-1](#) illustrates the 01Z to 01S signal mapping for bus holders.

Figure 5-1 Interpreting bus_hold Driver Type

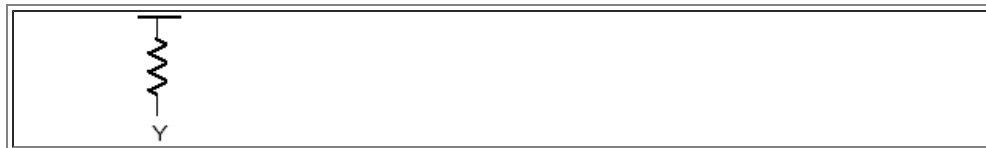


For bus_holder driver types, a three-state buffer output value of 0 changes the bus value to 0. Similarly, a three-state buffer output value of 1 changes the bus value to 1. However, when the output of the three-state buffer is Z, the bus holds its previous value (S), which can be 0, 1, or Z. In other words, the buffer output value of Z is resolved to the previous value of the bus.

Modeling Pull-Up and Pull-Down Cells

[Figure 5-2](#) shows a pull-up resistor cell.

Figure 5-2 Pull-Up Resistor of a Cell



[Example 5-7](#) is the description of the pull-up resistor cell in [Figure 5-2](#).

Example 5-7 Description of a Pull-Up Cell Transistor

```
cell(pull_up_cell) {
  area : 0;
  auxiliary_pad_cell : true;
  pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    multicell_pad_pin : true;
    connection_class : "inpad_network";
    driver_type : pull_up;
    pulling_resistance : 10000;
  }
}
```

[Example 5-8](#) describes an output pin with a pull-up resistor and the

bidirectional pin on a bus holder cell.

Example 5-8 Pin Driver Type Specifications

```
pin(Y) {
    direction : output ;
    driver_type : pull_up ;
    pulling_resistance : 10000 ;
    function : "IO" ;
    three_state : "OE" ;
}
cell (bus_hold) {
    pin(Y) {
        direction : inout ;
        driver_type : bus_hold ;
    }
}
```

Bidirectional pads can often require one driver type for the output behavior and another associated with the input. For this case, you can define multiple driver types in one `driver_type` attribute:

```
driver_type : "open_drain pull_up" ;
```

Note:

An *n*-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_drain`, and a *p*-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_source`.

fall_capacitance Attribute

Defines the load for an input and inout pin when its signal is falling.

Setting a value for the `fall_capacitance` attribute requires that a value for the `rise_capacitance` also be set, and setting a value for the `rise_capacitance` requires that a value for the `fall_capacitance` also be set.

Syntax

```
fall_capacitance : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for `fall_capacitance` include picofarads and standardized loads.

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a `fall_capacitance` of one unit, a `rise_capacitance` of two units, and a capacitance of two units.

Example

```
cell (AND) {
    area : 3 ;
    vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
    pin (A, B) {
        direction : input ;
        fall_capacitance : 1 ;
        rise_capacitance : 2 ;
        capacitance : 2 ;
    }
}
```

fault_model Simple Attribute

The differential I/O feature enables an input noninverting pin to inherit the timing information and all associated attributes of an input inverting pin in the same pin group designated with the `complementary_pin` attribute.

If you enter a `fault_model` attribute, you must designate the inverted pin associated with the noninverting pin, using the `complementary_pin` attribute.

For details on the `complementary_pin` attribute, see [“complementary_pin Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
fault_model : "two-value string" ;
```

two-value string

Two values that define the value of the differential signals when both inputs are driven to the same value. The first value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 0; the second value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 1. Valid values for the two-value string are any two-value combinations of 0, 1, and x.

If you do not enter a `fault_model` attribute value, the signal pin value goes to x when both input pins are 0 or 1.

Example

```
cell (diff_buffer) {
    ...
    pin (A) { /* noninverting pin /
        direction : input ;
        complementary_pin : ("DiffA")
        fault_model : "1x" ;
    }
}
```

[Table 5-5](#) shows howtesting interprets the complementary pin values for this example:

Table 5-5 Interpretation of Pin Values

Pin A (noninverting pin)	DiffA (complementary_pin)	Resulting signal pin value
1	0	1
0	1	0
0	0	1
1	1	x

inverted_output Attribute

The `inverted_output` attribute is a Boolean attribute that you can set for any output port. It is a required attribute only for sequential cells.

Set this attribute to `false` for noninverting output, which is `variable1` or `IQ` for flip-flop or latch groups. Set this attribute to `true` for inverting output, which is `variable2` or `IQN` for flip-flop or latch groups.

Example

```
pin(Q) {
    function : "IQ";
    internal_node : "IQ";
    inverted_output : false;
}
```

This attribute affects the internal interpretation of the state table format used to describe a sequential cell.

is_analog Attribute

The `is_analog` attribute identifies an analog signal pin as analog so it can be recognized by tools. The valid values for `is_analog` are `true` and `false`. Set the `is_analog` attribute to `true` at the pin level to specify that the signal pin is analog.

Syntax

The syntax for the `is_analog` attribute is as follows:

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        is_analog: true | false ;
    }
}
```

```
    ...
  }
}
```

Example

The following example identifies the pin as an analog signal pin.

```
pin(Analog) {
  direction : input;
  capacitance : 1.0 ;
  is_analog : true;
}
```

pin_func_type Attribute

This attribute describes the functions of a pin.

Example

```
pin_func_type : clock_enable;
```

With the `pin_func_type` attribute, you avoid the checking and modeling caused by incomplete timing information about the enable pin. The information in this attribute defines the clock as the clock-enabling mechanism (that is, the clock-enable pin). This attribute also specifies whether the active level of the enable pin of latches is high or low and whether the active edge of the flip-flop clock is rising or falling.

rise_capacitance Attribute

Defines the load for an input and inout pin when its signal is rising.

Setting a value for the `rise_capacitance` attribute requires that a value for `fall_capacitance` also be set, and setting a value for `fall_capacitance` requires that a value for `rise_capacitance` also be set.

Syntax

```
rise_capacitance : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for `rise_capacitance` include picofarads and standardized loads.

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a `fall_capacitance` of one unit, a `rise_capacitance` of two units, and a capacitance of two units.

Example

```
cell (AND) {
    area : 3 ;
    vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
    pin (A, B) {
        direction : input ;
        fall_capacitance : 1 ;
        rise_capacitance : 2 ;
        capacitance : 2 ;
    }
}
```

steady_state_resistance Attributes

When there are multiple drivers connected to an interconnect network driven by library cells and there is no direct current path between them, the driver resistances could take on different values. Use the following attributes for more-accurate modeling of steady state driver resistances in library cells.

- steady_state_resistance_above_high
- steady_state_resistance_below_low
- steady_state_resistance_high
- steady_state_resistance_low

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_above_high : 200 ;
```

test_output_only Attribute

This attribute is an optional Boolean attribute that you can set for any output port described in statetable format.

In ff or latch format, if a port is to be used for both function and test, you provide the functional description using the `function` attribute. If a port is to be used for test only, you omit the `function` attribute.

Regardless of ff or latch statetable, the `test_output_only` attribute takes precedence over the functionality.

In statetable format, however, a port always has a functional description. Therefore, if you want to specify that a port is for test only, you set the `test_output_only` attribute to true.

Example

```
pin (my_out) {
    direction : output ;
    signal_type : test_scan_out ;
}
```

```
    test_output_only : true ;
}
```

5.3.3 Describing Design Rule Checks

To define design rule checks, use the following `pin` group attributes and group:

- `fanout_load` attribute
- `max_fanout` attribute
- `min_fanout` attribute
- `max_transition` attribute
- `min_transition` attribute
- `max_capacitance` attribute
- `min_capacitance` attribute
- `max_cap` group
- `cell_degradation` group

`fanout_load` Attribute

The `fanout_load` attribute gives the fanout load value for an input pin.

Syntax

```
fanout_load : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the internal fanout of the input pin. There are no fixed units for `fanout_load`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

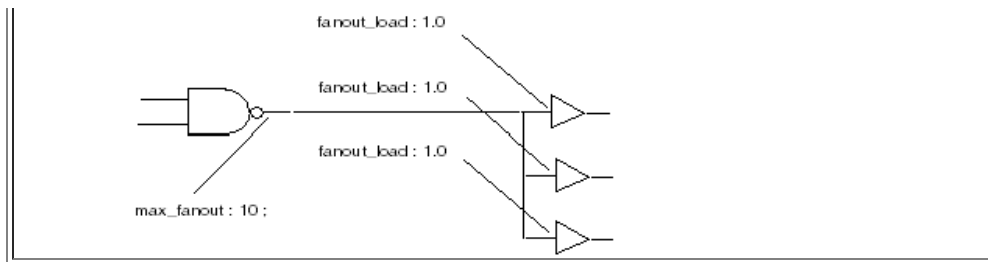
```
fanout_load : 1.0;
```

The sum of all `fanout_load` attribute values for input pins connected to a driving (output) pin must not exceed the `max_fanout` value for that output pin.

[Figure 5-3](#) illustrates `max_fanout` and `fanout_load` attributes for a cell.

Figure 5-3 Fanout Attributes





max_fanout Attribute

This attribute defines the maximum fanout load that an output pin can drive.

Syntax

```
max_fanout : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the number of fanouts the pin can drive. There are no fixed units for `max_fanout`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

```
pin(Q)
  direction : output;
  max_fanout : 10;
}
```

Some designs have limitations on input load that an output pin can drive regardless of any loading contributed by interconnect metal layers. To limit the number of inputs on the same net driven by an output pin, define a `max_fanout` value for each output pin and a `fanout_load` on each input pin in a cell. (See [Figure 5-3](#).)

To determine `max_fanout`, find the smallest loading of any input to a cell in the library and use that value as the standard load unit for the entire library. Usually the smallest buffer or inverter has the lowest input pin loading value. Use some multiple of the standard value for the fanout loads of the other cells.

Although you can use capacitance as the unit for your `max_fanout` and `fanout_load` specifications, it should be used to constrain routability requirements. It differs from the capacitance pin attribute in the following ways:

min_fanout Attribute

This attribute defines the minimum fanout load that an output or inout pin can drive. The sum of fanout cannot be less than the minimum fanout value.

Syntax

`min_fanout : valuefloat ;`

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum number of fanouts the pin can drive. There are no fixed units for `min_fanout`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

```
pin(Q) {  
    direction : output;  
    min_fanout : 2.0;  
}
```

max_transition Attribute

This attribute defines a design rule constraint for the maximum acceptable transition time of an input or output pin.

Syntax

`max_transition : valuefloat ;`

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other time values in the library.

Example

```
pin(A) {  
    direction : input;  
    max_transition : 4.2;  
}
```

You can specify `max_transition` at three levels: at the library level, at the pin level, and on the command line.

With an output pin, `max_transition` is used only to drive a net for which the cell can provide a transition time at least as fast as the defined limit.

With an input pin, `max_transition` indicates that the pin cannot be connected to a net that has a transition time greater than the defined limit.

In the following example, the cell that contains pin Q cannot be used to drive a net for which the cell cannot provide a transition time faster than 5.2:

```
pin(Q) {
```

```
direction : output ;
max_transition : 5.2 ;
}
```

max_capacitance Attribute

This attribute defines the maximum total capacitive load that an output pin can drive. This attribute can be specified only for an output or inout pin.

Syntax

```
max_capacitance : value ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitive load.

Example

```
pin(Q) {
  direction : output;
  max_capacitance : 5.0;
}
```

You can specify `max_capacitance` at three levels: at the library level, at the pin level, and on the command line.

min_capacitance Attribute

This attribute defines the minimum total capacitive load that an output pin can drive. The capacitance load cannot be less than the minimum capacitance value. This attribute can be specified only for an output or inout pin.

Syntax

```
min_capacitance : value ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitive load.

Example

```
pin(Q) {
  direction : output;
  min_capacitance : 1.0;
}
```

max_cap Group

The `max_cap` group specifies the maximum capacitive load that an output or inout pin can drive as a function of operating frequency of the cell or both operating frequency and input transition time. Use the `max_cap` group instead of the `max_capacitance` attribute to include these effects on the maximum capacitance. When both the `max_cap` group and `max_capacitance` attribute are present, the `max_cap` group overrides the `max_capacitance` attribute.

To model the effect of operating frequency and input transition time on the maximum capacitance, define the template for the `max_cap` group at the library level. You can use either a scalable polynomial template or a lookup table template:

- To define the scalable polynomial template, use the `poly_template` group. For more information about the `poly_template` group, see the “Defining the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model Template” section of The frequency and input transition time information for output or inout pins is specified within the `max_cap` group. Based on this information, the `max_cap` group uses the scalable polynomial template to calculate the maximum capacitance.
- To define the lookup table template, use the `maxcap_lut_template` group at the library level. The `maxcap_lut_template` group can have the variables, `variable_1` and `variable_2`. The valid values of the `variable_1` and `variable_2` variables are `frequency` and `input_transition_time`, respectively.

The one-dimensional lookup table consists of the maximum capacitance values for different values of `frequency`. The `max_cap` group takes the value of the maximum capacitance from the lookup table by using the `variable_1` variable.

The two-dimensional lookup table consists of the maximum capacitance values for different values of `frequency` and `input_transition_time`. The `max_cap` group takes the value of the maximum capacitance from the lookup table by using the `variable_1` and `variable_2` variables.

```
library (library_name) {
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
    max_cap_lut_template (template_name) { /*1-
D lookup table template*/
        variable_1 : frequency ;
        index_1 ( "float, ... float" );
    }
    cell (cell_name) {
        ...
        pin (pin_name) {
            ...
            max_cap (template_name) {
                index_1 ("float, ... float");
                values ("float, ... float");
            }
            ...
        } /* pin */
    }
}
```

```

    ...
}/* cell */
    ...
}/* library */

library (library_name) {
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
    max_cap_lut_template (template_name) {/*2-
D lookup table template*/
        variable_1 : frequency ;
        variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
        index_1 ( "float, ... float" );
        index_2 ( "float, ... float" );
    }
    cell (cell_name) {
        ...
        pin (pin_name) {
            ...
            max_cap (template_name) {
                index_1 ("float, ... float");
                values ("float, ... float");
            }
            ...
        } /* pin */
        ...
    }/* cell */
    ...
}/* library *

```

Maximum Capacitance Modeling Examples

[Example 5-9](#) shows a frequency-dependent maximum capacitance model with a scalable polynomial table.

Example 5-9 Frequency-Dependent Maximum Capacitance Model Using the Scalable Polynomial

```

library(example_library) {
    technology (cmos);
    delay_model : polynomial;
    ...
    poly_template ( mc ) {
        variables (frequency, voltage, voltage1,
temperature);
        mapping(voltage, VDD1);
        mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
        variable_1_range(0, 2);
        variable_2_range(1.4, 1.8);
    }
}

```

```

variable_3_range(1.1, 1.5);
variable_4_range(-40, 125);

domain(typical) {
    calc_mode : nominal;
    variable_1_range(0, 2);
    variable_2_range(1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range(1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range(-40, 125);
}
domain(min) {
    calc_mode : best;
    variable_1_range(0, 2);
    variable_2_range(1.5, 1.7);
    variable_3_range(1.2, 1.4);
    variable_4_range(-40, -40);
}
domain(max) {
    calc_mode : worst;
    variable_1_range(0, 2);
    variable_2_range(1.6, 1.7);
    variable_3_range(1.1, 1.2);
    variable_4_range(125, 125);
}
}
...
cell ( test ) {
    .....
    area : 200.000000 ;
    dont_use : true ;
    dont_touch : true ;
    pin(Z) {
        direction : output ;
        function: "A";
        max_transition : 5000.000000 ;
        min_transition : 0.000000 ;
        min_capacitance : 0.000000 ;
        capacitance : 0.000000 ;
        max_cap(mc) {
            orders ( "3, 3, 1, 1");
            coefs( "11.4165, 0.2198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
1253.82, 8.7282, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
-167.4473, 95.7112, -0.062098, 0.0000 \
11.4165, 0.2198, -0.0003, 0.0000, \
1253.82, 8.7282, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
-167.4473, 95.7112, -0.062098, 0.0000 \

```

```

11.4165, 0.2198, -0.0003, 0.0000, \
1253.82, 8.7282, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
-167.4473, 95.7112, -0.062098, 0.0000 \
11.4165, 0.2198, -0.0003, 0.0000, \
1253.82, 8.7282, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
-167.4473, 95.7112, -0.062098, 0.0000");
} /* end of max_cap */
timing () {
    related_pin : "A" ;
    ...
} /* end of arc */
} /* end of pin Z */
pin(A) {
    direction : input ;
    max_transition : 5000.000000 ;
    capacitance : 0.000000 ;
    } /* end of pin A */
} /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */

```

[Example 5-10](#) shows a frequency-dependent maximum capacitance model with a one-dimensional lookup table.

Example 5-10 Frequency-Dependent Maximum Capacitance Model Using Lookup Table

```

library(example_library) {
    technology (cmos);
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
    maxcap_lut_template ( mc ) {
        variable_1 : frequency;
        index_1 ( "100.0000, 200.0000" );
    }
    ...
    cell ( test ) {
        .....
        area : 200.000000 ;
        dont_use : true ;
        dont_touch : true ;
        pin(Z) {
            direction : output ;
            function: "A";
            max_transition : 5000.000000 ;
            min_transition : 0.000000 ;
            min_capacitance : 0.000000 ;
            capacitance : 0.000000 ;
            max_cap(mc) {

```

```

        index_1 ( "100.0000, 200.0000, 300.0000");
        values ( "925.0000, 835.0000, 745.0000");
    } /* end of max_cap */
    timing () {
        related_pin : "A" ;
        ...
    } /* end of arc */
} /* end of pin Z */
pin(A) {
    direction : input ;
    max_transition : 5000.000000 ;
    capacitance : 0.000000 ;
    } /* end of pin A */
} /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */

```

cell_degradation Group

Use the `cell_degradation` group to describe a cell performance degradation design rule when compiling a design. A cell degradation design rule specifies the maximum capacitive load a cell can drive without causing cell performance degradation during the fall transition.

This description is restricted to functionally related input and output pairs. You can determine the degradation value by switching some inputs while keeping other inputs constant. This causes output discharge. The degradation value for a specified input transition rate is the maximum output loading that does not cause cell degradation.

You can model cell degradation only in libraries using the CMOS nonlinear delay model. Cell degradation modeling uses the same format of templates and lookup tables used to model delay with the nonlinear delay model.

There are two ways to model cell degradation,

1. Create a one-dimensional lookup table template that is indexed by input transition time.

```

lu_table_template(template_name) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");
}

```

The valid value for `variable_1` is `input_net_transition`.

The `index_1` values must be greater than or equal to 0.0 and follow the same rules for the lookup table template `index_1` attribute described in [“Defining pin Groups”](#). The number of floating-point numbers in `index_1` determines the size of the table dimension.

This is an example of a cell degradation template.

```

lu_table_template(deg_constraint) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0");
}

```

```
}
```

2. Use the `cell_degradation` group and the cell degradation template to create a one-dimensional lookup table for each timing arc in the cell. You receive warning messages if you define a `cell_degradation` construct for some, but not all, timing arcs in the cell.

The following example shows the `cell_degradation` group:

```
pin(output) {
    timing() {
        cell_degradation(deg_constraint) {
            index_1 ("0.5, 1.5, 2.5");
            values ("0.0, 2.0, 4.0");
        }
    }
}
```

You can describe cell degradation groups only in the following types of `timing` groups:

- `combinational`
- `three_state_enable`
- `rising_edge`
- `falling_edge`
- `preset`
- `clear`

5.3.4 Describing Clocks

To define clocks and clocking, use these `pin` group attributes:

- `clock`
- `min_period`
- `min_pulse_width_high`
- `min_pulse_width_low`

clock Attribute

This attribute indicates whether or not an input pin is a clock pin.

A true value labels a pin as a clock pin. A false value labels a pin as not a clock pin, even though it might otherwise have such characteristics.

Syntax

```
clock : true | false ;
```

Example

```
clock : true ;
```


min_period Attribute

Place the `min_period` attribute on the clock pin of a flip-flop or a latch to specify the minimum clock period required for the input pin. The minimum period is the sum of the data arrival time and setup time. This time must be consistent with the `max_transition` time.

Syntax

```
min_period : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number indicating a time unit.

Example

```
min_period : 26.0;
```

min_pulse_width_high and min_pulse_width_low Attributes

Use these optional attributes to specify the minimum length of time a pin must remain at logic 1 (`min_pulse_width_high`) or logic 0 (`min_pulse_width_low`). These attributes can be placed on a clock input pin or an asynchronous clear/preset pin of a flip-flop or latch.

Syntax

```
min_pulse_width_high : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number defined in units consistent with other time values in the library. It gives the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 1 (`min_pulse_width_high`) or logic 0 (`min_pulse_width_low`).

Example

The following example shows both attributes on a clock pin, indicating the minimum pulse width for a clock pin.

```
pin(CLK) {  
    direction : input ;  
    capacitance : 1 ;  
    min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;  
    min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;  
}
```

Yield Modeling

An example of modeling yield information is as follows.

```
library ( my_library_name ) {

  faults_lut_template ( my_faults_temp ) {
    variable_1 : fab_name;
    variable_2 : time_range;
    index_1 ( fab1, fab2, fab3 );
    index_2 ( 2005.01, 2005.07, 2006.01, 2006.07 );
  }

  cell ( and2 ) {

    functional_yield_metric () {
      average_number_of_faults ( my_faults_temp ) {
        values ( 73.5, 78.8, 85.0, 92 ,\
                74.3, 78.7, 84.8, 92.2 ,\
                72.2, 78.1, 84.3, 91.0 );
      }
    }
  }

} /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */
```

Describing Clock Pin Functions

To define a clock pin's function, use these `pin` group attributes:

- `function`
- `three_state`
- `x_function`
- `state_function`
- `internal_node`

function Attribute

The `function` attribute defines the value of an output or inout pin in terms of the cell's input or inout pins.

Syntax

```
function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

The precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

[Table 5-6](#) lists the Boolean operators that are valid in a `function` statement.

Table 5-6 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	Invert previous expression
!	Invert following expression
^	Logical XOR
*	Logical AND
&	Logical AND
space	Logical AND
+	Logical OR
	Logical OR
1	Signal tied to logic 1
0	Signal tied to logic 0

Example

```
pin(Q) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "A + B" ;
}
```

Note:

Pin names beginning with a number, and pin names containing special characters, must be enclosed in double quotation marks preceded by a backslash (\), as shown here:

```
function : " \"1A\" + \"1B\" " ;
```

The absence of a backslash causes the quotation marks to terminate the function statement.

The following `function` statements all describe 2-input multiplexers. The parentheses are optional. The operators and operands are separated by spaces.

```
function : "A S + B S'" ;
function : "A & S | B & !S" ;
function : "(A * S) + (B * S')" ;
```

Grouped Pins in function Statements

Grouped pins can be used as variables in a `function` statement; see [“Defining Bused Pins”](#) and [“Defining Signal Bundles”](#). In `function` statements that use bus or bundle names, all the variables in the statements must be either a single pin or buses or bundles of the same width.

Ranges of buses or bundles are valid if the range you define contains the same number of members as the other buses or bundles in the same expression. You can reverse the bus order by listing the member numbers in reverse (high: low) order. Two buses, bundles, or bused-pin ranges with different widths should not appear in the same `function` statement.

When the `function` attribute of a cell with group input pins is a combinational-logic function of grouped variables only, the logic function is expanded to apply to each set of output grouped pins independently. For example, if A, B, and Z are defined as buses of the same width and the function statement for output Z is

```
function : "(A & B)" ;
```

the function for Z[0] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[0] & B[0])" ;
```

Likewise, the function for Z[1] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[1] & B[1])" ;
```

If a bus and a single pin are in the same `function` attribute, the single pin is distributed across all members of the bus. For example, if A and Z are buses of the same width, B is a single pin, and the function statement for the Z output is

```
function : "(A & B)" ;
```

The function for Z[0] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[0] & B)" ;
```

Likewise, the function for Z[1] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[1] & B)" ;
```

three_state Attribute

Use this attribute to define a three-state output pin in a cell.

Syntax

```
three_state : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

An equation defining the condition that causes the pin to go to the high-impedance state. The syntax of this equation is the same as the syntax of the `function` attribute statement described in [" "](#). The `three_state` attribute can be used in both combinational and sequential pin groups, with bus or bundle variables.

Example 5-11 Three-State Cell Description

```
library(example){
  technology (cmos) ;
  date : "May 14, 2002" ;
  revision : 2002.05;
  :
  cell(TRI_INV2) {
    area : 3 ;
    pin(A) {
      direction : input ;
      capacitance : 2 ;
    }
    pin(E) {
      direction : input ;
      capacitance : 2 ;
    }
    pin(Z) {
      direction : output ;
      function : "A'" ;
      three_state : "E'" ;
      timing() {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

x_function Attribute

Use the `x_function` attribute to describe the X behavior of a pin, where X is a state other than 0, 1, or Z.

Syntax

```
x_function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

The `three_state`, `function`, and `x_function` attributes are defined for output and inout pins and can have shared input. You can assign `three_state`, `function`, and `x_function` to be the function of the same input pins. When these functions have

shared input, however, the cell must be inserted manually.

When the values of more than one function equal 1, the three functions are evaluated in this order:

1. x_function
2. three_state
3. function

Example

```
pin (y) {
    direction: output;
    function : "!ap * !an" ;
    x_function : "!ap * an" ;
    three_state : "ap * !an" ;
}
```

state_function Attribute

Use this attribute to define output logic. Ports in the `state_function` Boolean expression must be either input, three-state inout, or ports with an `internal_node` attribute. If the output logic is a function of only the inputs (IN), the output is purely combinational (for example, feed-through output). A port in the `state_function` expression refers only to the non-three-state functional behavior of that port. An inout port in the `state_function` expression is treated only as an input port.

Syntax

```
state_function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
state_function : Q*X;
```

internal_node Attribute

Use this attribute to resolve node names to real port names. The `internal_node` attribute describes the sequential behavior of an output pin. It provides the relationship between the `statetable` group and a pin of a cell. Each output with the `internal_node` attribute might also have the optional `input_map` attribute.

Syntax

```
internal_node : pin_nameid ;

pin_name
```

Name of either an internal or output pin.

Example

```
internal_node : "Q";
```

5.3.5 CMOS pin Group Example

[Example 5-12](#) shows pin attributes in a CMOS library.

Example 5-12 CMOS pin Group Example

```
library(example){
  date : "May 14, 2002";
  revision : 2002.05;
  ...
  cell(AN2) {
    area : 2;
    pin(A) {
      direction : input;
      capacitance : 1.3;
      fanout_load : 2;      /* internal fanout load */
      max_transition : 4.2; /* design rule constraint */
    }
    pin(B) {
      direction : input;
      capacitance : 1.3;
    }
    pin(Z) {
      direction : output;
      function : "A * B";
      max_transition : 5.0;
      timing() {
        intrinsic_rise : 0.58;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.69 ;
        rise_resistance : 0.1378;
        fall_resistance : 0.0465;
        related_pin : "A B";
      }
    }
  }
}
```

5.4 Defining Bused Pins

To define bused pins, use these groups:

- type group
- bus group

You can use a defined bus or bus member in Boolean expressions in the `function` attribute. An output pin does not need to be defined in a cell before it is referenced.

5.4.1 *type Group*

If your library contains bused pins, you must define `type` groups and define the structural constraints of each bus type in the library.

The `type` group is defined at the `library` group level, as follows:

```
library (lib_name) {  
  type ( name ) {  
    ... type description ...  
  }  
}
```

name

Identifies the bus type.

A `type` group can one of the following:

base_type

Only the array base type is supported.

data_type

Only the bit data type is supported.

bit_width

An integer that designates the number of bus members. The default is 1.

bit_from

An integer indicating the member number assigned to the most significant bit (MSB) of successive array members. The default is 0.

bit_to

An integer indicating the member number assigned to the least significant bit (LSB) of successive array members. The default is 0.

downto

A value of true indicates that member number assignment is from high to low instead of low to high. The default is false (low to high).

[Example 5-13](#) illustrates a `type` group statement.

Example 5-13 *type Group Statement*

```
type ( BUS4 ) {
```



```

    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 0 ;
    bit_to : 3 ;
    downto : false ;
}

```

It is not necessary to use all the `type` group attributes. For example, the `type` group statements in [Example 5-14](#) are both valid descriptions of BUS4 in [Example 5-13](#).

Example 5-14 Alternative type Group Statements

```

type ( BUS4 ) {
    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 0 ;
    bit_to : 3 ;
}
type ( BUS4 ) {
    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 3 ;
    downto : true ;
}

```

After you define a `type` group, you can use the `type` group in a `bus` group to describe bused pins.

5.4.2 bus Group

A `bus` group describes the characteristics of a bus. You define it in a `cell` group, as shown here:

```

library (lib_name) {
    cell (cell_name) {
        area : float ;
        bus ( name ) {
            ... bus description ...
        }
    }
}

```

A `bus` group contains the following elements:

- `bus_type` attribute
- `pin` groups

In a `bus` group, use the number of bus members (pins) defined by the `bit_width` attribute in the applicable `type` group. You must declare the `bus_type` attribute first in the `bus` group.

5.4.3 `bus_type` Attribute

The `bus_type` attribute specifies the bus type. It is a required element of all `bus` groups. Always declare the `bus_type` as the first attribute in a `bus` group.

Syntax

```
bus_type : name ;
```

5.4.4 Pin Attributes and Groups

Pin attributes in a `bus` or `bundle` group specify default attribute values for all pins in that `bus` or `bundle`. Pin attributes can also appear in pin groups inside the `bus` or `bundle` group to define attribute values for specific bus or bundle pins or groups of pins. Values used in pin groups override the default attribute values defined for the `bus` or `bundle`.

All pin attributes are valid inside `bus` and `pin` groups. See [“General pin Group Attributes”](#) for a description of pin attributes. The `direction` attribute value of all bus members must be the same.

Use the full name of a pin for the names of pins in a `pin` group contained in a `bus` group.

The following example shows a `bus` group that defines bus A, with defaults for direction and capacitance assigned:

```
bus (A) {
    bus_type : bus1 ;
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 3 ;
    ...
}
```

The following example illustrates a `pin` group that defines a new `capacitance` attribute value for pin 0 in bus A:

```
pin (A[0]) {
    capacitance : 4 ;
}
```

You can also define pin groups for a range of bus members. A range of bus members is defined by a beginning value and an ending value, separated by a colon. No spaces can appear between the colon and the member numbers.

The following example illustrates a `pin` group that defines a new `capacitance` attribute value for bus members 0, 1, 2, and 3 in bus A:

```

pin (A[0:3]) {
    capacitance : 4 ;
}

```

For nonbused pins, you can identify member numbers as single numbers or as a range of numbers separated by a colon. Do not define member numbers in a list.

See [Table 5-7](#) for a comparison of bused and single-pin formats.

Table 5-7 Comparison of Bused and Single-Pin Formats

Pin type	Technology library	Symbol library
Bused Pin	pin x[3:0]	pin x
Single Pin	pin x	pin x

5.4.5 Example Bus Description

[Example 5-15](#) is a complete bus description that includes `type` and `bus` groups. It also shows the use of bus variables in `function`, `related_pin`, `pin_opposite`, and `pin_equal` attributes.

Example 5-15 Bus Description

```

library (ExamBus) {
    date : "May 14, 2002";
    revision : 2002.05;
    bus_naming_style : "%s[%d]"; /* Optional; this is the
                                default */
    type (bus4) {
        base_type : array; /* Required */
        data_type : bit; /* Required if base_type is array
        */
        bit_width : 4; /* Optional; default is 1 */
        bit_from : 0; /* Optional MSB; defaults to 0 */
        bit_to : 3; /* Optional LSB; defaults to 0 */
        downto : false; /* Optional; defaults to false */
    }
    cell (bused_cell) {
        area : 10;
        bus (A) {
            bus_type : bus4;
            direction : input;
            capacitance : 3;
            pin (A[0:2]) {
                capacitance : 2;
            }
            pin (A[3]) {
                capacitance : 2.5;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
}
bus (B) {
    bus_type : bus4;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
}
pin (E) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance 2 ;
}
bus(X) {
    bus_type : bus4;
    direction : output;
    capacitance : 1;
    pin (X[0:3]) {
        function : "A & B'";
        timing() {
            related_pin : "A B";
            /* A[0] and B[0] are related to X[0],
               A[1] and B[1] are related to X[1], etc.
*/
        }
    }
}
bus (Y) {
    bus_type : bus4;
    direction : output;
    capacitance : 1;
    pin (Y[0:3]) {
        function : "B";
        three_state : "!E";
        timing () {
            related_pin : "A[0:3] B E";
        }
        internal_power() {
            when: "E" ;
            related_pin : B ;
            power() {
                ...
            }
        }
        internal_power() {
            related_pin : B ;
            power() {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

bus (Z) {
    bus_type : bus4;
    direction : output;
    pin (Z[0:1]) {
        function : "!A[0:1]";
        timing () {
            related_pin : "A[0:1]";
        }
        internal_power() {
            related_pin : "A[0:1]";
        }
        power() {
            ...
        }
    }
}

pin (Z[2]) {
    function "A[2]";
    timing () {
        related_pin : "A[2]";
    }
    internal_power() {
        related_pin : "A[0:1]";
    }
    power() {
        ...
    }
}

pin (Z[3]) {
    function : "!A[3]";
    timing () {
        related_pin : "A[3]";
    }
    internal_power() {
        related_pin : "A[0:1]";
    }
    power() {
        ...
    }
}

}

pin_opposite("Y[0:1]", "Z[0:1]");
    /* Y[0] is opposite to Z[0], etc. */
pin_equal("Y[2:3] Z[2:3]");
    /* Y[2], Y[3], Z[2], and Z[3] are equal */
cell (bused_cell2) {
    area : 20;
    bus (A) {
        bus_type : bus41;
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
    }
}

```

```

        pin (A[0:3]) {
            capacitance : 2;
        }
        pin (A[3]) {
            capacitance : 2.5;
        }
    }
    bus (B) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 2;
    }
    pin (E) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance 2 ;
    }
    bus(X) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : output;
        capacitance : 1;
        pin (X[0:3]) {
            function : "A & B'";
            timing() {
                related_pin : "A B";
                /* A[0] and B[0] are related to X[0],
                   A[1] and B[1] are related to X[1], etc.
            */
            }
        }
    }
}

```

5.5 Defining Signal Bundles

You need certain attributes to define a bundle. A bundle groups several pins that have similar timing or functionality. Bundles are used for multibit cells such as multibit latch, multibit flip-flop, and multibit AND gate.

5.5.1 *bundle Group*

You define a bundle group in a cell group, as shown:

```

library (lib_name) {
    cell (cell_name) {
        area : float ;
        bundle ( name ) {
            ... bundle description ...
        }
    }
}

```

A `bundle` group contains the following elements:

members attribute

The `members` attribute must be declared first in a `bundle` group.

pin attributes

These include `direction`, `function`, and `three-state`.

5.5.2 *members Attribute*

The `members` attribute is used in a `bundle` group to list the pin names of the signals in a bundle. The `members` attribute must be included as the first attribute in the `bundle` group. It provides the bundle element names and groups a set of pins that have similar properties. The number of members defines the width of the bundle.

If a bundle has a `function` attribute defined for it, that function is copied to all bundle members. For example,

```
pin (C) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
bundle(A) {
    members(A0, A1, A2, A3);
    direction : output ;
    function : "B' + C";
    ...
}
bundle(B) {
    members(B0, B1, B2, B3);
    direction : input;
    ...
}
```

means that the members of the A bundle have these values:

```
A0 = B0' + C;
A1 = B1' + C;
A2 = B2' + C;
A3 = B3' + C;
```

Each bundle operand (B) must have the same width as the function parent bundle (A).

5.5.3 *pin Attributes*

For information about pin attributes, see [“General pin Group Attributes”](#).

[Example 5-16](#) shows a bundle group in a multibit latch.

Example 5-16 Multibit Latch With Signal Bundles

```
cell (latch4) {
    area: 16;
    pin (G) { /* active-high gate enable signal */
        direction : input;
        :
    }
    bundle (D) { /* data input with four member pins */
        members(D1, D2, D3, D4); /*must be first attribute
*/
        direction : input;
    }
    bundle (Q) {
        members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ" ;
    }
    bundle (QN) {
        members (Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
    }
    latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
        enable : "G" ;
        data_in : "D" ;
    }
}

cell (latch5) {
    area: 32;
    pin (G) { /* active-high gate enable signal */
        direction : input;
        :
    }
    bundle (D) { /* data input with four member pins */
        members(D1, D2, D3, D4); /*must be first attribute
*/
        direction : input;
    }
    bundle (Q) {
        members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ" ;
    }
    bundle (QN) {
        members (Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
```



```

        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
    }
    latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
        enable : "G" ;
        data_in : "D" ;
    }
}

```

5.6 Defining Layout-Related Multibit Attributes

The `single_bit_degenerate` attribute is a layout-related attribute for multibit cells. The attribute also applies to sequential and combinational cells.

The `single_bit_degenerate` attribute is for use on multibit bundle or bus cells that are black boxes. The value of this attribute is the name of a single-bit library cell.

Syntax

```
single_bit_degenerate : "cell_name_id";
```

cell_name

A character string identifying a single-bit cell.

[Example 5-17](#) shows multibit library cells with the `single_bit_degenerate` attribute.

Example 5-17 Multibit Cells With `single_bit_degenerate` Attribute

```

cell (FDX2) {
    area : 18 ;
    single_bit_degenerate : FDB ;
    bundle (D) {
        members (D0, D1) ;
        direction : input ;
        ...
        timing () {
            ...
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```

cell (FDX4)
    area : 18 ;
    single_bit_degenerate : FDB ;
    bus (D) {
        bus_type : bus4 ;
        direction : input ;
    }
}

```

```

...
timing () {
    ...
    ...
}
}
}

```

The library description does not include information such as cell height; this must be provided by the library developer.

5.7 Defining scaled_cell Groups

Not all cells scale uniformly. Some cells are designed to produce a constant delay and do not scale at all; other cells do not scale in a linear manner for process, voltage, or temperature. The values you set for a cell under one set of operating conditions do not produce accurate results for the cell when it is scaled for different conditions.

You can use a `scaled_cell` group to set the values explicitly for a cell under certain operating conditions.

Use a scaled cell only when absolutely necessary. The size of the library database increases proportionately to the number of scaled cells you define. This size increase might increase processing and load times.

5.7.1 scaled_cell Group

You can use the `scaled_cell` group to supply an alternative set of values for an existing cell. The choice is based on the set of operating conditions used.

Example

```

library (example) {
    operating_conditions(WCCOM) {
        ...
    }
    cell(INV) {
        pin(A) {
            direction : input ;
            capacitance : 1.0 ;
        }
        pin(Z) {
            direction : output ;
            function : "A'" ;
            timing() {
                intrinsic_rise : 0.36 ;
                intrinsic_fall : 0.16 ;
                rise_resistance : 0.0653 ;
                fall_resistance : 0.0331 ;
                related_pin : "A" ;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}

scaled_cell(INV,WCCOM) {
  pin(A) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0.7 ;
  }
  pin(Z) {
    direction : output ;
    timing() {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.12 ;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.13 ;
      rise_resistance : 0.605 ;
      fall_resistance : 0.493 ;
      related_pin : "A" ;
    }
  }
}
}
}

```

5.8 Defining Multiplexers

A one-hot MUX is a library cell that behaves functionally as a regular MUX logic gate. However, in the case of a one-hot MUX, some inputs are considered dedicated control inputs and others are considered dedicated data inputs. There are as many control inputs as data inputs, and the function of the cell is the logic AND of the i_{th} control input with the i_{th} data input. For example, a 4-to-1 one-hot MUX has the following function:

$$Z = (D_0 \& C_0) | (D_1 \& C_1) | (D_2 \& C_2) | (D_3 \& C_3)$$

One-hot MUXs are generally implemented using pass gates, which makes them very fast and allows their speed to be largely independent of the number of data bits being multiplexed. However, this implementation requires that exactly one control input be active at a time. If no control inputs are active, the output is left floating. If more than one control input is active, there could be an internal drive fight.

5.8.1 Library Requirements

One-hot MUX library cells must meet the following requirements:

- A one-hot MUX cell in the target library should be a single-output cell.
- Its inputs can be divided into two disjoint sets of the same size as follows:
 $C = \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n\}$ and $D = \{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n\}$
 where n is greater than 1 and is the size of the set. Actual names of the inputs can vary.
- The `contention_condition` attribute must be set on the cell. The value of the attribute is a combinational function, $f\{C\}$, of inputs in set C that defines prohibited

combinations of inputs as shown in the following examples (where size n of the set is 3):

$$FC = C_0' \& C_1' \& C_2' \mid C_0 \& C_1 \mid C_0 \& C_2 \mid C_1 \& C_2$$

or

$$FC = (C_0 \& C_1' \& C_2' \mid C_0' \& C_1 \& C_2' \mid C_0' \& C_1' \& C_2)'$$

- The cell must have a combinational function FO defined on the output with respect to all its inputs. This function FO must logically define, together with the contention condition, a base function F* that is a sum of n product terms, where the ith term contains all the inputs in C, with C_i high and all others low and exclusively one input in D.

Examples of the defined function are as follows (for n = 3):

$$F^* = C_0 \& C_1' \& C_2' \& D_0 \mid C_0' \& C_1 \& C_2' \& D_1 \mid C_0' \& C_1' \&$$

or

$$F^* = C_0 \& C_1' \& C_2' \& D_0' + C_0' \& C_1 \& C_2' \& D_1' + C_0' \& C_1' \& C_2 \& D_2'$$

The function FO can take many forms, if it satisfies the following condition:

$$FO \& FC' == F^*$$

when FO is restricted by FC', it should be equivalent to F*. The term FO = F* is acceptable; other examples are as follows (for n = 3):

$$FO = (D_0 \& C_0) \mid (D_1 \& C_1) \mid (D_2 \& C_2)$$

or

$$FO = (D_0' \& C_0) \mid (D_1' \& C_1) \mid (D_2' \& C_2)$$

Note:

When FO is restricted by FC, inverting all inputs in D is equivalent to inverting the output. Inverting only a subset of D yields an incompatible function. It is recommended that you use the simple form described earlier, or F*.

The following example shows a cell that is properly specified.

Example

```
cell(one_hot_mux_example) {
... ..
contention_condition : "(C0 C1 + C0' C1)";
... ..
pin(D0) {
direction : input;
... ..
}
pin(D1) {
direction : input;
... ..
}
pin(C0) {
direction : input;
... ..
}
pin(C1) {
direction : input;
```

```

... ..
}
pin(Z) {
  direction : output;
  function : "(C0 D0 + C1 D1)";
... ..
}
}

```

5.9 Defining Decoupling Capacitor Cells, Filler Cells, and Tap Cells

Decoupling capacitor cells, or *decap cells*, are cells that have a capacitor placed between the power rail and the ground rail to overcome dynamic voltage drop; filler cells are used to connect the gaps between the cells after placement; and tap cells are physical-only cells that have power and ground pins and do not have signal pins. Liberty provides cell-level attributes that identify decoupling capacitor cells, filler cells, and tap cells in libraries.

5.9.1 Syntax

The following syntax shows a cell with the `is_decap_cell`, `is_filler_cell` and `is_tap_cell` attributes, which identify decoupling capacitor cells, filler cells, and tap cells, respectively. However, only one attribute can be set to true in a given cell.

```

cell (cell_name) {
...
  is_decap_cell : true | false;
  is_filler_cell : true | false;
  is_tap_cell : true | false;
...
} /* End cell group */

```

5.9.2 Cell-Level Attributes

The following attributes can be set at the cell level to identify decoupling capacitor cells, filler cells, and tap cells.

`is_decap_cell`

The `is_decap_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a decoupling cell. Valid values are true and false.

`is_filler_cell`

The `is_filler_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a filler cell. Valid values are true and false.

`is_tap_cell`

The `is_tap_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a tap cell. Tap cells are physical-only cells, which means they have power and ground pins only and not signal pins. Tap cells are well-tied cells that bias the silicon infrastructure of n-wells or p-wells. Valid values for the `is_tap_cell` attribute are true and false.

6. Defining Sequential Cells

This chapter describes the peculiarities of defining flip-flops and latches, building upon the cell description syntax given in [Chapter 5. “Defining Core Cells.”](#) It describes group statements that apply only to sequential cells and also describes a variation of the `function` attribute that makes use of state variables.

To design flip-flops and latches, you must understand the following concepts and tasks:

- [Using Sequential Cell Syntax](#)
- [Using the function Attribute](#)
- [Describing a Multibit Flip-Flop](#)
- [Describing a Latch](#)
- [Describing a Multibit Latch](#)
- [Describing Sequential Cells With the Statetable Format](#)
- [Critical Area Analysis Modeling](#)
- [Flip-Flop and Latch Examples](#)
- [Cell Description Examples](#)

6.1 Using Sequential Cell Syntax

You can describe sequential cells with the following cell definition formats:

- ff or latch format
Cells using the `ff` or `latch` format are identified by the `ff` group and `latch` group.
- statetable format
Cells using the `statetable` format are identified by the `statetable` group. The `statetable` format supports all the sequential cells supported by the `ff` or `latch` format. In addition, the `statetable` format supports complex sequential cells, such as the following:
 - Sequential cells with multiple clock ports, such as a cell with a system clock and a test scan clock
 - internal state sequential cells, such as master-slave cells
 - Multistate sequential cells, such as counters and shift registers
 - Sequential cells with combinational outputs
 - Sequential cells with complex clocking and complex asynchronous behavior
 - Sequential cells with multiple simultaneous input transitions
 - Sequential cells with illegal input conditions

The `statetable` format contains a complete, expanded set of table rules for which all L and H permutations of table input are explicitly specified.

Some cells cannot be modeled with the `statetable` format. For example, you cannot use the `statetable` format to model a cell whose function depends on differential clocks when the inputs change.

6.2 Describing a Flip-Flop

To describe an edge-triggered storage device, include a `ff` group or a `statetable` group in a cell definition. This section describes how to define a flip-flop by using the `ff` or latch format. See [“Describing Sequential Cells With the Statetable Format”](#) for the way to define cells using the `statetable` group.

6.2.1 Using the `ff` Group

A `ff` group describes either a single-stage or a master-slave flip-flop. The `ff_bank` group represents multibit registers, such as a bank of flip-flops. See [“Describing a Multibit Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `ff_bank` group.

Syntax

```
library (lib_name)
{
  cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    ff ( variable1, variable2 )
  {
    clocked_on : "Boolean_expression" ;
      next_state : "Boolean_expression" ;

    clear : "Boolean_expression" ;
      preset : "Boolean_expression" ;

    clear_preset_var1 : value ;
      clear_preset_var2 : value ;
      clocked_on_also : "Boolean_expression" ;
      power_down_function : "Boolean_expression" ;
  }
}
}
```

variable1

The state of the noninverting output of the flip-flop. It is considered the 1-bit storage of the flip-flop.

variable2

The state of the inverting output

You can name *variable1* and *variable2* anything except the name of a pin in the cell being described. Both variables are required, even if one of them is not connected to a primary output pin.

The `clocked_on` and `next_state` attributes are required in the `ff` group; all other attributes are optional.

`clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` Attributes

The `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes identify the active edge of the clock signals.

Single-state flip-flops use only the `clocked_on` attribute. When you describe flip-flops that require both a master and a slave clock, use the `clocked_on` attribute for the master clock and the `clocked_on_also` attribute for the slave clock.

Examples

A rising-edge-triggered device is:

```
clocked_on : "CP";
```

A falling-edge-triggered device is:

```
clocked_on : "CP'";
```

next_state Attribute

The `next_state` attribute is a logic equation written in terms of the cell's input pins or the first state variable, *variable1*. For single-stage storage elements, the `next_state` attribute equation determines the value of *variable1* at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

For devices such as a master-slave flip-flop, the `next_state` attribute equation determines the value of the master stage's output signals at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

Syntax

```
next_state : "Boolean expression";
```

Boolean expression

Identifies the active edge of the clock signal.

Example

```
next_state : "D";
```

nextstate_type Attribute

The `nextstate_type` attribute is a pin group attribute that defines the type of `next_state` attribute used in the `ff` or `ff_bank` group.

Syntax

```
nextstate_type : data | preset  
| clear | load | scan_in | scan_enable ;
```

where

data

Identifies the pin as a synchronous data pin. This is the default value.

preset

Identifies the pin as a synchronous preset pin.

clear

Identifies the pin as a synchronous clear pin.

load

Identifies the pin as a synchronous load pin.

scan_in

Identifies the pin as a synchronous scan-in pin.

scan_enable

Identifies the pin as a synchronous scan-enable pin.

Any pin with the `nextstate_type` attribute must be included in the value of the `next_state` attribute.

Note:

Specify a `nextstate_type` attribute to ensure that the sync set (or sync reset) pin and the D pin of sequential cells are not swapped when instantiated.

Example

```
nextstate_type : data;
```

[Example 6-5](#) and [Example 6-6](#) show the use of the `nextstate_type` attribute.

clear Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

The example defines an active-low clear signal.

Example

```
clear : "CD' " ;
```

For more information about the `clear` attribute, see [“Describing a Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#).

preset Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

The example defines an active-high preset signal.

Example

```
preset : "PD'" ;
```

For more information about the `preset` attribute, see [“Describing a Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#).

clear_preset_var1 Attribute

The `clear_preset_var1` attribute gives the value that *variable1* has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Example

```
clear_preset_var1 : L;
```

For more information about the `clear_preset_var1` attribute, including its function and values, see [“Describing a Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#).

clear_preset_var2 Attribute

The `clear_preset_var2` attribute gives the value that *variable2* has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Example

```
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
```

For more information about the `clear_preset_var2` attribute, including its function and values, see [“Describing a Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#).

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` attribute specifies the Boolean condition when the cell's output pin is switched off by the power and ground pins (when the cell is in off mode due to the external power pin states).

You specify the `power_down_function` attribute for combinational and sequential cells. For simple or complex sequential cells, the `power_down_function` attribute also determines the condition of the cell's internal state.

Syntax

```

library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    ff (variable1,variable2) {
      //...flip-flop description...
      clear : "Boolean expression" ;
      clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
      clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
      clocked_on : "Boolean expression" ;
      clocked_on_also : "Boolean expression" ;
      next_state : "Boolean expression" ;
      preset : "Boolean expression" ;
      power_down_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

Example

```

library ("low_power_cells") {
  cell ("retention_dff") {
    pg_pin(VDD) {
      voltage_name : VDD;
      pg_type : primary_power;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS) {
      voltage_name : VSS;
      pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    pin ("D") {
      direction : "input";
    }
    pin ("CP") {
      direction : "input";
    }
    ff(IQ,IQN) {
      next_state : "D" ;
      clocked_on : "CP" ;
      power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS" ;
    }
    pin ("Q") {
      function : " IQ ";
      direction : "output";
      power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

ff Group Examples

The following is an example of the `ff` group for a single-stage D flip-flop.

```

ff (IQ, IQN) {

```

```

    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
}

```

The example defines two variables, IQ and IQN. The `next_state` attribute determines the value of IQ after the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute. In the example, IQ is assigned the value of the D input.

For some flip-flops, the next state depends on the current state. In this case, the first state variable, *variable1* (IQ in the example), is used in the `next_state` statement; and the second state variable, IQN, is not used.

```

ff(IQ,IQN) {
    next_state : "(J K IQ') + (J K') + (J' K' IQ)";
    clocked_on : "CP";
}

```

The `next_state` and `clocked_on` attributes define the synchronous behavior of the flip-flop.

6.2.2 Describing a Single-Stage Flip-Flop

A single-stage flip-flop does not use the optional `clocked_on_also` attribute.

[Table 6-1](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `ff` group for a single-stage flip-flop.

Table 6-1 Function Table for Single-Stage Flip-Flop

active_edge	clear	preset	variable1	variable2
clocked_on	inactive	inactive	next_state	!next_state
--	active	inactive	0	1
--	inactive	active	1	0
--	active	active	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input. The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input. For example, the following statement defines an active-low clear signal.

```

clear : "CD'" ;

```

The `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes specify the value for *variable1* and *variable2* when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time. Valid values are shown in [Table 6-2](#).

Table 6-2 Valid Values for the clear_preset_var1 and clear_preset_var2 Attributes

--	--

Variable values	Equivalence
L	0
H	1
N	No change ¹
T	Toggle the current value from 1 to 0, 0 to 1, or X to X ¹
X	Unknown ¹

¹ Use these values to generate VHDL models.

If you use both `clear` and `preset`, you must use either `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both. Conversely, if you include `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both, you must use both `clear` and `preset`.

The flip-flop cell is activated whenever `clear`, `preset`, `clocked_on`, or `clocked_on_also` change.

[Example 6-1](#) is a `ff` group for a single-stage D flip-flop with a rising edge, negative clear and preset, and the output pins set to 0 when both `clear` and `preset` are active (low).

Example 6-1 Single-Stage D Flip-Flop

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
    clear : "CD'" ;
    preset : "PD'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

[Example 6-2](#) is a `ff` group for a single-stage, rising edge-triggered JK flip-flop with scan input, negative clear and preset, and the output pins set to 0 when `clear` and `preset` are both active.

Example 6-2 Single-Stage JK Flip-Flop

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "(TE*TI)+(TE'*J*K')+(TE'*J'*K'*IQ)+(TE'*J*K*IQ'" ;
    ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
    clear : "CD'" ;
    preset : "PD'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

[Example 6-3](#) is a `ff` group for a D flip-flop with synchronous negative clear.

Example 6-3 D Flip-Flop With Synchronous Negative Clear

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D * CLR" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
}
```

6.2.3 Describing a Master-Slave Flip-Flop

The specification for a master-slave flip-flop is the same as for a single-stage device, except that it includes the `clocked_on_also` attribute. [Table 6-3](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `ff` group for a master-slave flip-flop.

Table 6-3 Function Tables for Master-Slave Flip-Flop

active_edge	clear	preset	internal1	internal2	variable1	variable2
clocked_on	inactive	inactive	next_state	!next_state		
clocked_on_also	inactive	inactive			internal1	internal2
	active	active	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2
	active	inactive	0	1	0	1
	inactive	active	1	0	1	0

The `internal1` and `internal2` variables represent the output values of the master stage, and `variable1` and `variable2` represent the output values of the slave stage.

The `internal1` and `internal2` variables have the same value as `variable1` and `variable2`, respectively, when the `clear` and `preset` attributes are both active at the same time.

Note:

You do not need to specify the `internal1` and `internal2` variables, which represent internal stages in the flip-flop.

[Example 6-4](#) shows the `ff` group for a master-slave D flip-flop with a rising-edge sampling, falling-edge data transfer, negative clear and preset, and output values set to high when the `clear` and `preset` attributes are both active.

Example 6-4 Master-Slave D Flip-Flop

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CLK" ;
    clocked_on_also : "CLKN'" ;
    clear : "CDN'" ;
    preset : "PDN'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : H ;
    clear_preset_var2 : H ;
}
```

6.3 Using the function Attribute

Each storage device output pin needs a function attribute statement. Only the two state variables, `variable1` and `variable2`, can be used in the function attribute statement for sequentially modeled elements.

[Example 6-5](#) shows a complete functional description of a rising-edge-triggered D flip-flop with active-low clear and preset.

Example 6-5 D Flip-Flop Description

```
cell (dff) {
    area : 1 ;
    pin (CLK) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
    }
    pin (D) {
        nextstate_type : data;
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
    }
    pin (CLR) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
    }
    pin (PRE) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
    }
    ff (IQ, IQN) {
        next_state : "D" ;
        clocked_on : "CLK" ;
        clear : "CLR'" ;
        preset : "PRE'" ;
        clear_preset_var1 : L ;
        clear_preset_var2 : L ;
    }
}
```

```

pin (Q) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQ" ;
}
pin (QN) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
}
} /* end of cell dff */

```

6.4 Describing a Multibit Flip-Flop

The `ff_bank` group describes a cell that is a collection of parallel, single-bit sequential parts. Each part shares control signals with the other parts and performs an identical function. The `ff_bank` group is typically used to represent multibit registers. It can be used in `cell` and `test_cell` groups.

The syntax is similar to that of the `ff` group; see [“Describing a Flip-Flop”](#).

Syntax

```

library (lib_name)
{
    cell (cell_name) {
        ...
        pin (pin_name) {
            ...
        }
        bundle (bundle_name) {
            ...
        }
        ff_bank ( variable1, variable2, bits ) {
            clocked_on : "Boolean_expression" ;
            next_state : "Boolean_expression" ;
            clear : "Boolean_expression" ;
            preset : "Boolean_expression" ;
            clear_preset_var1 : value ;
            clear_preset_var2 : value ;
            clocked_on_also : "Boolean_expression"
        }
    }
}

```

An input that is described in a `pin` group, such as the `clk` input, is fanned out to each flip-flop in the bank. Each primary output must be described in a `bus` or `bundle` group, and its function statement must include either `variable1` or `variable2`.

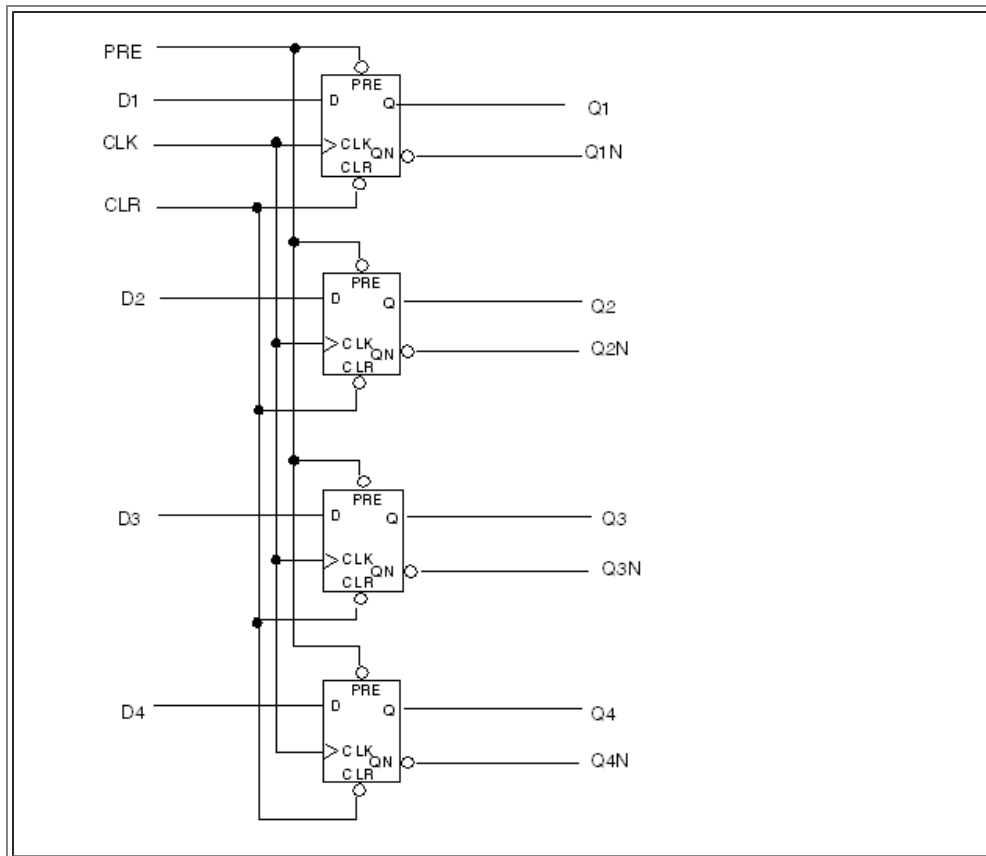
Three-state output pins are allowed; you can add a `three_state` attribute to an output bus or bundle to specify this function.

The `bits` value in the `ff_bank` definition is the number of bits in this multibit cell.

[Figure 6-1](#) shows a multibit register containing four rising-edge-triggered D flip-flops with `clear` and `preset`.

[Example 6-6](#) is the description of the multibit register shown in [Figure 6-1](#).

Figure 6-1 Multibit Flip-Flop



Example 6-6 Multibit D Flip-Flop Register

```
cell (dff4) {
  area : 1 ;
  pin (CLK) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0 ;
    min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;
    min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;
  }
  bundle (D) {
    members(D1, D2, D3, D4);
    nextstate_type : data;
    direction : input ;
  }
}
```

```

        capacitance : 0 ;
        timing() {
related_pin      : "CLK" ;
timing_type      : setup_rising ;
intrinsic_rise  : 1.0 ;
intrinsic_fall  : 1.0 ;
        }
timing() {
related_pin      : "CLK" ;
timing_type      : hold_rising ;
intrinsic_rise  : 1.0 ;
intrinsic_fall  : 1.0 ;
        }
}
pin (CLR) {
direction : input ;
capacitance : 0 ;
timing() {
related_pin      : "CLK" ;
timing_type      : recovery_rising ;
intrinsic_rise  : 1.0 ;
intrinsic_fall  : 0.0 ;
        }
}
pin (PRE) {
direction : input ;
capacitance : 0 ;
timing() {
related_pin      : "CLK" ;
timing_type      : recovery_rising ;
intrinsic_rise  : 1.0 ;
intrinsic_fall  : 0.0 ;
        }
}
ff_bank (IQ, IQN, 4) {
next_state : "D" ;
clocked_on : "CLK" ;
clear : "CLR'" ;
preset : "PRE'" ;
clear_preset_var1 : L ;
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
bundle (Q) {
members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
direction : output ;
function : "(IQ)" ;
timing() {
related_pin      : "CLK" ;
timing_type      : rising_edge ;
intrinsic_rise  : 2.0 ;
}
}

```

```

        intrinsic_fall : 2.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "PRE" ;
        timing_type      : preset ;
        timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLR" ;
        timing_type      : clear ;
        timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
    }
}
bundle (QN) {
    members(Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLK" ;
        timing_type      : rising_edge ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "PRE" ;
        timing_type      : clear ;
        timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLR" ;
        timing_type      : preset ;
        timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    }
}
} /* end of cell dff4 */

```

6.5 Describing a Latch

To describe a level-sensitive storage device, you include a `latch` group or `statetable` group in the cell definition. This section describes how to define a latch by using the `ff` or `latch` format. See [“Describing Sequential Cells With the Statetable Format”](#) for information about defining cells using the `statetable` group.

6.5.1 latch Group

This section describes a level-sensitive storage device found within a `cell` group.

Syntax

```
library (lib_name) {
  cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    latch (variable1, variable2) {
      enable : "Boolean_expression" ;
      data_in : "Boolean_expression" ;
      clear : "Boolean_expression" ;
      preset : "Boolean_expression" ;
      clear_preset_var1 : value ;
      clear_preset_var2 : value ;
    }
    pin (pin_name) {
      ...
      data_in_type : data | preset | clear | load
    }
  }
}
```

variable1

The state of the noninverting output of the latch. It is considered the 1-bit storage of the latch.

variable2

The state of the inverting output.

You can name *variable1* and *variable2* anything except the name of a pin in the cell being described. Both variables are required, even if one of them is not connected to a primary output pin.

If you include both `clear` and `preset`, you must use either `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both. Conversely, if you include `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both, you must use both `clear` and `preset`.

enable and data_in Attributes

The `enable` and `data_in` attributes are optional, but if you use one of them, you must include the other. The `enable` attribute gives the state of the enable input, and the `data_in` attribute gives the state of the data input.

Example

```
enable : "G" ;
data_in : "D";
```

data_in_type Attribute

In a pin group, the `data_in_type` attribute specifies the type of input data defined by the `data_in` attribute. The valid values are `data`, `preset`, `clear`, or `load`. The default is `data`.

Note:

The Boolean expression of the `data_in` attribute must include the pin with the `data_in_type` attribute.

Example

```
data_in_type : data ;
```

clear Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

Example

This example defines a active-low clear signal.

```
clear : "CD'" ;
```

preset Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

Example

This example defines an active-low preset signal.

```
preset : "R'" ;
```

clear_preset_var1 Attribute

The `clear_preset_var1` attribute gives the value that *variable1* has when clear and preset are both active at the same time. Valid values are shown in [Table 6-4](#).

Example

```
clear_preset_var1 : L;
```

Table 6-4 Valid Values for the clear_preset_var1 and clear_preset_var2 Attributes

Variable values	Equivalence
L	0
H	1
N	No change ¹
T	Toggle the current value from 1 to 0, 0 to 1, or X to X ¹
X	Unknown ¹

¹ Use these values to generate VHDL models.

clear_preset_var2 Attribute

The `clear_preset_var2` attribute gives the value that *variable2* has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time. Valid values are shown in [Table 6-4](#).

Example

```
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
```

[Table 6-5](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `latch` group.

Table 6-5 Function Table for latch Group Attributes

enable	clear	preset	variable1	variable2
active	inactive	inactive	data_in	!data_in
--	active	inactive	0	1
--	inactive	active	1	0
--	active	active	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2

The latch cell is activated whenever `clear`, `preset`, `enable`, or `data_in` changes.

[Example 6-7](#) shows a latch group for a D latch with active-high enable and negative clear.

Example 6-7 D Latch With Active-High enable and Negative clear

```
latch(IQ, IQN) {
  enable : "G" ;
  data_in : "D" ;
```

```

        clear : "CD'" ;
    }

```

[Example 6-8](#) shows a latch group for an SR latch. The enable and data_in attributes are not required for an SR latch.

Example 6-8 SR Latch

```

latch(IQ, IQN) {
    clear : "S'" ;
    preset : "R'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}

```

Determining a Latch Cell's Internal State

You can use the `power_down_function` attribute to specify the Boolean condition under which the cell's output pin is switched off by the state of the power and ground pins (when the cell is in off mode due to the external power pin states). The attribute should be set under the `latch` group. The `power_down_function` attribute also determines the condition of the cell's internal state.

For more information about `power_down_function`, see [“power_down_function Attribute”](#).

power_down_function Syntax For Latch Cells

```

library (name) {
    cell (name) {
        latch (variable1,variable2) {
            //...latch description...
            clear : "Boolean expression" ;
            clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
            clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
            data_in : "Boolean expression" ;
            enable : "Boolean expression" ;
            preset : "Boolean expression" ;
            power_down_function : "Boolean expression" ;
        }
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

6.6 Describing a Multibit Latch

The `latch_bank` group describes a cell that is a collection of parallel, single-bit sequential parts. Each part shares control signals with the other parts and performs an identical function. The `latch_bank` group is typically used in `cell` and `test_cell` groups to represent multibit registers.

6.6.1 latch_bank Group

The syntax is similar to that of the `latch` group. See [“Describing a Latch”](#).

Syntax

```
library (lib_name) {
  cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
      ...
    }
    bundle (bus_name) {
      ...
    }
    latch_bank (variable1, variable2, bits) {
      enable : "Boolean_expression" ;
      data_in : "Boolean_expression" ;
      clear : "Boolean_expression" ;
      preset : "Boolean_expression" ;
      clear_preset_var1 : value ;
      clear_preset_var2 : value ;
    }
  }
}
```

An input that is described in a `pin` group, such as the `clk` input, is fanned out to each latch in the bank. Each primary output must be described in a `bus` or `bundle` group, and its function statement must include either *variable1* or *variable2*.

Three-state output pins are allowed; you can add a `three_state` attribute to an output bus or bundle to define this function.

The *bits* value in the `latch_bank` definition is the number of bits in the multibit cell.

[Example 6-9](#) shows a `latch_bank` group for a multibit register containing four rising-edge-triggered D latches.

Example 6-9 Multibit D Latch

```
cell (latch4) {
  area: 16;
  pin (G) { /* gate enable signal, active-high */
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  bundle (D) { /* data input with four member pins */

    members(D1, D2, D3, D4);
    /*must be first bundle attribute*/
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
}
```



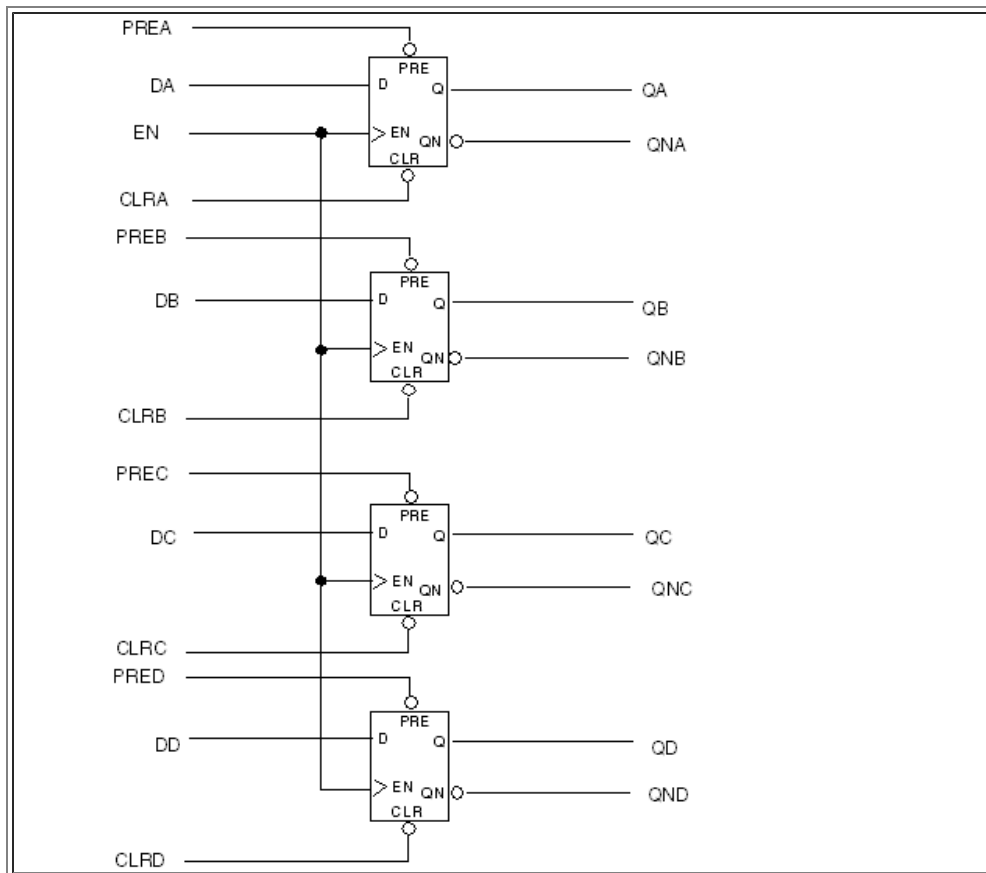
```

}
bundle (Q) {
  members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
  direction : output;
  function : "IQ" ;
  ...
}
bundle (QN) {
  members (Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
  direction : output;
  function : "IQN";
  ...
}
latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
  enable : "G" ;
  data_in : "D" ;
}
...
}

```

Figure 6-2 shows a multibit register containing four high-enable D latches with `clear`.

Figure 6-2 Multibit Latch



[Example 6-10](#) is the cell description of the multibit register shown in [Figure 6-2](#) that contains four high-enable D latches with `clear`.

Example 6-10 Multibit Latches With clear

```
cell (DLT2) {

    /* note: 0 hold time */

    area : 1 ;
    pin (EN) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
        min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;
        min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;
    }

    bundle (D) {
        members(DA, DB, DC, DD);
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
        timing() {
            related_pin      : "EN" ;
            timing_type      : setup_falling ;
            intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
            intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
        }
        timing() {
            related_pin      : "EN" ;
            timing_type      : hold_falling ;
            intrinsic_rise   : 0.0 ;
            intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
        }
    }

    bundle (CLR) {
        members(CLRA, CLRB, CLRC, CLRD);
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 0 ;
        timing() {
            related_pin      : "EN" ;
            timing_type      : recovery_falling ;
            intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
            intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
        }
    }
}
```

```

bundle (PRE) {
  members(PREA, PREB, PREC, PRED);
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 0 ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : recovery_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
  }
}

```

```

latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
  data_in : "D" ;
  enable  : "EN" ;
  clear   : "CLR ' " ;
  preset  : "PRE ' " ;
  clear_preset_var1 : H ;
  clear_preset_var2 : H ;
}

```

```

bundle (Q) {
  members(QA, QB, QC, QD);
  direction : output ;
  function : "IQ" ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "D" ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : rising_edge ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "CLR" ;
    timing_type      : clear ;
    timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "PRE" ;
    timing_type      : preset ;
    timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
  }
}

```

```

    }
}

bundle (QN) {
  members(QNA, QNB, QNC, QND);
  direction : output ;
  function : "IQN" ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "D" ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : rising_edge ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "CLR" ;
    timing_type      : preset ;
    timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "PRE" ;
    timing_type      : clear ;
    timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
  }
}
} /* end of cell DLT2 */

```

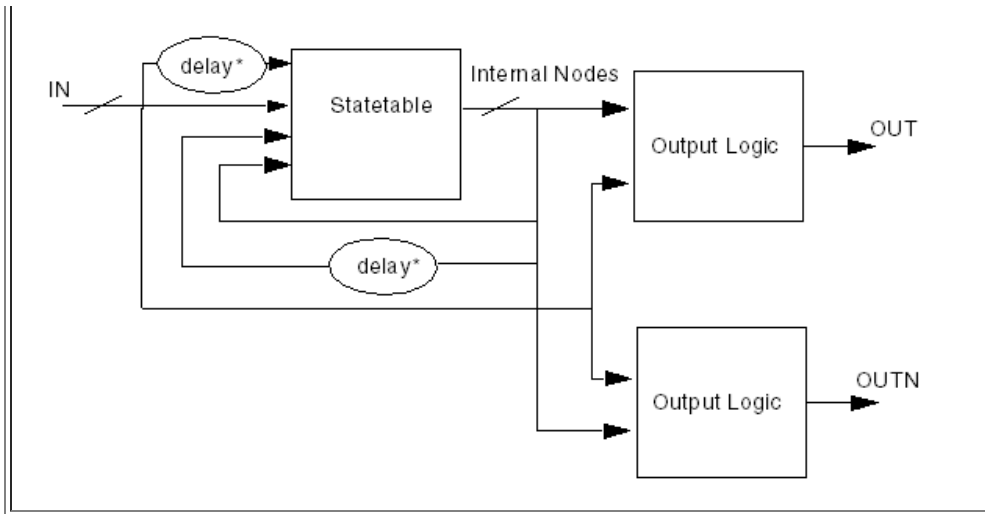
6.7 Describing Sequential Cells With the Statetable Format

The statetable format provides an intuitive way to describe the function of complex sequential cells. Using this format, the library developer can translate a state table in a databook to a Liberty cell description.

[Figure 6-3](#) shows how you can model each sequential output port (OUT and OUTN) in a sequential library cell.

Figure 6-3 Generic Sequential Library Cell Model





OUT and OUTN

Sequential output ports of the sequential cell.

IN

The set of all primary input ports in the sequential cell functionally related to OUT and OUTN.

*delay**

A small time delay. An asterisk suffix indicates a time delay.

Statetable

A sequential lookup table. The state table takes a number of inputs and their delayed values and a number of internal nodes and their delayed values to form an index to new internal node values. A sequential library cell can have only one state table.

Internal Nodes

As storage elements, internal nodes store the output values of the state table. There can be any number of internal nodes.

Output Logic

A combinational lookup table. For the sequential cells supported in ff or latch format, there are at most two internal nodes and the output logic must be a buffer, an inverter, a three-state buffer, or a three-state inverter.

To capture the function of complex sequential cells, use the `statetable` group in the `cell` group to define the statetable in [Figure 6-3](#). The `statetable` group syntax maps to the truth tables in databooks.

[Figure 6-4](#) is an example of a table that maps a truth table from an ASIC vendor's databook to the statetable syntax. For table input token values, see ["statetable Group"](#).

Figure 6-4 Mapping Databook Truth Table to Statetable

Databook	Meaning	Statetable input	Statetable output
f	Fall	F	N/A
nc	No event	N/A	N
r	Rise	R	N/A
tg	Toggle	N/A	(1)
u	Undefined	N/A	X
x	Don't Care	-	X
-	Not used	-	X

Rising edge
(from low to high)
Don't care
Falling edge
(from high to low)

No event from current value

 Toggle flag tg (1)

 Unknown

To map a databook truth table to a statetable, do the following:

1. When the databook truth table includes the name of an input port, replace that port name with the tokens for low/high (L/H).
 2. When the databook truth table includes the name of an output port, use L/H for the current value of the output port and the next value of the output port.
 3. When the databook truth table has the toggle flag tg (1), use L/H for the current value of the output port and H/L for the next value of the output port.
- In the truth table, an output port preceded with a tilde symbol (~) is inverted. Sometimes you must map f to ~R and r to ~F.

6.7.1 statetable Group

The `statetable` group contains a table consisting of a single string.

Syntax

```
statetable("input node names", "internal node names")
{
table : "input node values : current internal values \
       : next internal values,\
input node values : current internal values : next internal values";
}
```

You need to follow these conventions when using a `statetable` group:

- Give nodes unique names.
- Separate node names with white space.
- Place each rule consisting of a set of input node values, current internal values, and next internal values on a separate line, followed by a comma and the line continuation character (\). To prevent syntax errors, the line continuation character must be followed immediately by

the next line character.

- Separate node values and the colon delimiter (:) with white space.
- Insert comments only where a character space is allowed. For example, you cannot insert a comment within an H/L token or after the line continuation character (\).

Figure 6-5 shows an example of a `statetable` group.

Figure 6-5 statetable Group Example

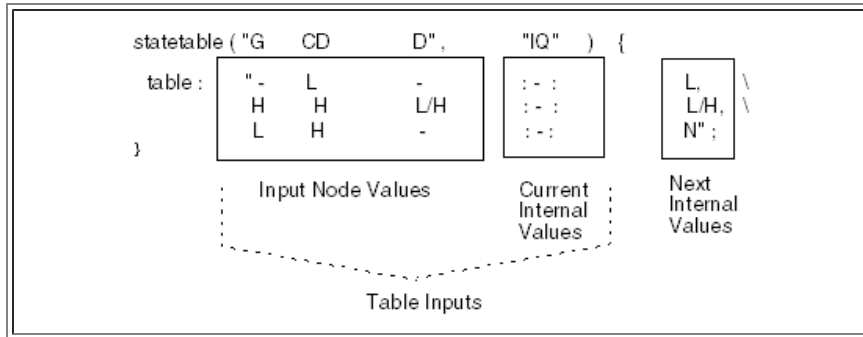


Table 6-6 shows the token values for table inputs.

Table 6-6 Legitimate Values for Table Inputs (Input and Current Internal Nodes)

Input node values	Current internal node values	State represented
L	L	Low
H	H	High
-	-	Don't care
L/H	L/H	Expands to both L and H
H/L	H/L	Expands to both H and L
R		Rising edge (from low to high)
F		Falling edge (from high to low)
~R		Not rising edge
~F		Not falling edge

Table 6-7 shows the token values for the next internal node.

Table 6-7 Legitimate Values for Next Internal Node

Next internal	State represented

node values	
L	Low
H	High
-	Output is not specified
L/H	Expands to both L and H
H/L	Expands to both H and L
X	Unknown
N	No event from current value. Hold. Use only when all asynchronous inputs and clocks are inactive

Note:

It is important to use the N token value appropriately. The output is never N when any input (asynchronous or synchronous) is active. The output should be N only when all the inputs are inactive.

Using Shortcuts

To represent a statetable explicitly, list the next internal node one time for every permutation of L and H for the current inputs, previous inputs, and current states.

[Example 6-11](#) shows a fully expanded statetable group for a data latch with active-low clear.

Example 6-11 Fully Expanded statetable Group for Data Latch With Active-Low Clear

```

statetable("          G          CD          D",          "IQ")
{
    table : "          L          L          L          : L :
L, \
          L          L          L          : H :          L, \
          L          L          H          : L :          L, \
          L          L          H          : H :          L, \
          L          H          L          : L :          N, \
          L          H          L          : H :          N, \
          L          H          H          : L :          N, \
          L          H          H          : H :          N, \
          H          L          L          : L :          L, \
          H          L          L          : H :          L, \
          H          L          H          : L :          L, \
          H          L          H          : H :          L, \
          H          H          L          : L :          L, \
          H          H          L          : H :          L, \
          H          H          H          : L :          H, \
          H          H          H          : H :          H";

```


}

You can use the following shortcuts when you represent your table.

don't care symbol (-)

For the input and current internal node, the don't care symbol represents all permutations of L and H. For the next internal node, the don't care symbol means the rule does not define a value for the next internal node.

For example, a master-slave flip-flop can be written as follows:

```

statetable("      D          CP          CPN",      "MQ      SQ")
{
  table : "      H/L          R      ~F      : -      - :      H/L
N,\
      - ~R          F      : H/L      - :      N
H/L,\
      H/LR          F      : L      - :      H/L
L,\
      H/LR          F      : H      - :      H/L
H,\
      - ~R          ~F      : -      - :      N
N";
}

```

Or it can be written more concisely as follows

```

statetable("          D      CP      CPN",      "MQ SQ") {
  table : "          H/L      R          -      : -      - : H/L
-, \
      -      ~R      -      : -      - : N      -, \
      -      -      F      : H/L - : -      H/L, \
      -      -      ~F      : -      - : -      N";
}

```

L/H and H/L

Both L/H and H/L represent two individual lines: one with L and the other with H. For example, the following line

```

H          H      H/L      : - :          L/H,

```

is a concise version of the following lines.

```

H          H      H      : - :          L,
H          H      L      : - :          H,

```

R, ~R, F, and ~F (input edge-sensitive symbols)

The input edge-sensitive symbols represent permutations of L and H for the delayed input and the current input. Every edge-sensitive input, one that has at least one input edge symbol, is expanded into two level-sensitive inputs: the current input value and the delayed input value. For example, the input edge symbol R expands to an L for the delayed input value and to an H for the current input value. In the following statetable of a D flip-flop, clock C can be represented by the input pair C* and C. C* is the delayed input value, and C is the current input value.

```

statetable ( "C          D", "IQ") {
  table :          "R    L/H          : - :          L/H,
  \
          ~R    -          : - :          N";

```

[Table 6-8](#) shows the internal representation of the same cell.

Table 6-8 Internal Representation

C*	C	D	IQ
L	H	L/H	L/H
H	H	-	N
H	L	-	N
L	L	-	N

Priority ordering of outputs

The outputs follow a prioritized order. Two rules can cover the same input combinations, but the rule defined first has priority over subsequent rules.

Note:

Use shortcuts with care. When in doubt, be explicit.

6.7.2 Partitioning the Cell Into a Model

You can partition a structural netlist to match the general sequential output model described in [Example 6-12](#) by performing these tasks:

1. Represent every storage element by an internal node.
2. Separate the output logic from the internal node. The internal node must be a function of only the sequential cell data input when the sequential cell is triggered.

Note:

There are two ways to specify that an output does not change logic values.

One way is to use the inactive N value as the next internal value, and the other way is to have the next internal value remain the same as the current internal value (see the italic lines in [Example 6-12](#)).

Example 6-12 JK Flip-Flop With Active-Low, Direct-Clear, and Negative-Edge Clock

```

statetable ("J K CN CD" , "IQ") {
  table : "          -   -   -   L   : -           :
L, \
          -   -   ~F   H   : -           :   N, \
          L   L   F   H   : L/H           :           L/H, \
          H   L   F   H   : -           :           H, \
          L   H   F   H   : -           :           L, \
          H   H   F   H   : L/H           :           H/L"
;
}

```

In [Example 6-12](#), the value of the next internal node of the second rule is N, because both the clear CD and clock CN are inactive. The value of the next internal node of the third rule is L/H, because the clock is active.

6.7.3 Defining an Output pin Group

Every output pin in the cell has either an `internal_node` attribute, which is the name of an internal node, or a `state_function` attribute, which is a Boolean expression of ports and internal pins.

Every output pin can also have an optional `three_state` expression.

An output pin can have one of the following combinations:

- A `state_function` attribute and an optional `three_state` attribute
- An `internal_node` attribute, an optional `input_map` attribute, and an optional `three_state` attribute

state_function Attribute

The `state_function` attribute defines output logic. Ports in the `state_function` Boolean expression must be either input, inout that can be made three-state, or ports with an `internal_node` attribute.

The `state_function` attribute specifies the purely combinational function of input and internal pins. A port in the `state_function` expression refers only to the non-three-state functional behavior of that port. For example, if E is a port of the cell that enables the three-state, the `state_function` attribute cannot have a Boolean expression that uses pin E.

An inout port in the `state_function` expression is treated only as an input port.

Note:

Use the `state_function` attribute to define a cell with a state table. Use this attribute when the functional expression does not reference any state table signals, and is a function of only the input pins.

Example

```
pin(Q)
  direction : output;
  state_function : "A"; /*combinational
feedthrough*/
```

internal_node Attribute

The `internal_node` attribute is used to resolve node names to real port names.

The statetable is in an independent, isolated name space. The term *node* refers to the identifiers. Input node and internal node names can contain any characters except white space and comments. These node names are resolved to the real port names by each port with an `internal_node` attribute.

Each output defined by the `internal_node` attribute might have an optional `input_map` attribute.

Example

```
internal_node :
  "IQ";
```

input_map Attribute

The `input_map` attribute maps real port and internal pin names to each table input and internal node specified in the state table. An input map is a listing of port names, separated by white space, that correspond to internal nodes.

Syntax

```
input_map : name_id ;
```

name

A string representing a name or a list of port names, separated by spaces, that correspond to the input pin names, followed by the internal node names.

Example

```
input_map : "Gx1 CDx1 Dx1 QN"; /*QN is internal
node*/
```

Mapping port and internal pin names to table input and internal nodes occurs by using a combination of the `input_map` attribute and the `internal_node` attribute. If a node name is not mapped explicitly to a real port name in the input map, it automatically inherits the node name as the real port name. The internal node name specified by the `internal_node` attribute maps implicitly to the output being defined. For example, to map two input nodes, A and B, to real ports D and CP, and to map one internal node, Z, to port Q, set the `input_map` attribute as follows:

```
input_map : "D CP Q"
```

You can use a *don't care* symbol in place of a name to signify that the input is not used for this output. Comments are allowed in the `input_map` attribute.

The delayed nature of outputs specified with the `input_map` attribute is implicit:

Internal node

When an output port is specified for this type of node, the internal node is forced to map to the delayed value of the output port.

Synchronous data input node

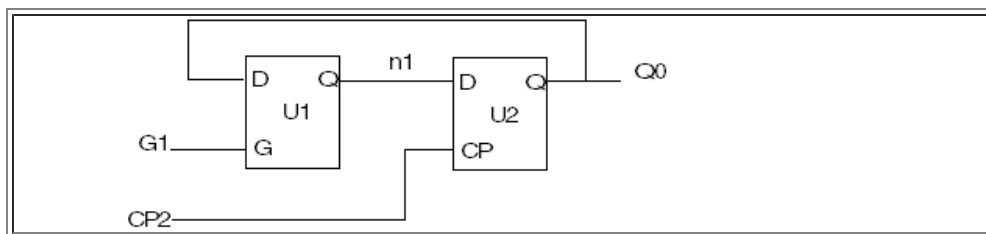
When an output port is specified for this type of node, the input is forced to map to the delayed value of the output port.

Asynchronous or clock input node

When an output port is specified for this type of node, the input is forced to map to the undelayed value of the output port.

For example, [Figure 6-6](#) shows a circuit consisting of latch U1 and flip-flop U2.

Figure 6-6 Circuit With Latch and Flip-Flop



In [Figure 6-6](#), internal pin n1 should map to ports "Q0 G1 n1*" and output Q0 should map to "n1* CP2 Q0*". The subtle significance is relevant during simultaneous input transitions.

With this `input_map` attribute, the functional syntax for ganged cells is identical to that of nonganged cells. You can use the input map to represent the interconnection of any network of sequential cells (for example, shift

registers and counters).

The `input_map` attribute can be completely unspecified, completely specified, or can specify only the beginning ports. The default for an incompletely defined input map is the assumption that missing trailing primary input nodes and internal nodes are equal to the node names specified in the statetable. The current state of the internal node should be equal to the output port name.

inverted_output Attribute

You can define output as inverted or noninverted by using an `inverted_output` attribute on the pin. The `inverted_output` attribute is a required Boolean attribute for the statetable format that you can set for any output port. Set this attribute to false for noninverting output. This is `variable1` or `IQ` for flip-flop or latch groups. Set this attribute to true for inverting output. This is `variable2` or `IQN` for flip-flop or latch groups.

Example

```
inverted_output : true;
```

In the statetable format, an output is considered inverted if it has any data input with a negative sense. This algorithm might be inconsistent with a user's intentions. For example, whether a toggle output is considered inverted or noninverted is arbitrary.

6.7.4 Internal Pin Type

In the flip-flop or latch format, the `pin`, `bus`, or `bundle` groups can have a `direction` attribute with `input`, `output`, or `inout` values. In the statetable format, the `direction` attribute of a pin of a library cell (combinational or sequential) can have the `internal` value. A pin with the `internal` value to the `direction` attribute is treated like an output port, except that it is hidden within the library cell. It can take any of the attributes of an output pin, but it cannot have the `three_state` attribute.

An internal pin can have timing arcs and can have timing arcs related to it, allowing a distributed delay model for multistate sequential cells.

Example

```
pin (n1) {
    direction : internal;
    internal_node : "IQ"; /* use default input_map
*/
    ...
}
pin (QN) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node : "IQN";
    input_map : "Gx1 CDx1 Dx1 QN"; /* QN is internal node
*/
```

```

        three_state : "EN2";
        ...
    }
    pin (QNZ) {
        direction : output;
        state_function : "QN"; /* ignores QN's three state
    */

        three_state : "EN";
        ...
    }
    pin (Y) {
        direction : output;
        state_function : "A"; /* combinational feedthrough
    */

        ...
    }

```

6.7.5 Determining a Complex Sequential Cell's Internal State

You can use the `power_down_function` string attribute to specify the Boolean condition under which the cell's output pin is switched off by the state of the power and ground pins (when the cell is in off mode due to the external power pin states). The attribute should be set under the `statetable` group. The `power_down_function` attribute also determines the condition of the cell's internal state.

For more information about the `power_down_function` attribute, see ["power_down_function Attribute"](#).

power_down_function Syntax for State Tables

The `power_down_function` attribute is specified after `table`, in the `statetable` group, as shown in the following syntax:

```

statetable( "input node names", "internal node names" ){
    table : " input node values : current internal values :\
        next internal values,\
        input node values : current internal values: \
        next internal values" ;
    power_down_function : "Boolean expression" ;
}

```

6.8 Critical Area Analysis Modeling

Liberty syntax models critical area analysis data for library cells to analyze and optimize for yield in the early implementation stage of design flow. The syntax for modeling critical area analysis data is included in the following section.

6.8.1 Syntax

```
library(my_library) {
  distance_unit : enum (um, mm);
  dist_conversion_factor : integer;
  critical_area_lut_template (template_name) {
    variable_1 : defect_size_diameter;
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");
  }

  device_layer(string) {} /* such as diffusion layer OD */

  poly_layer(string) {} /* such as poly layer */
  routing_layer(string) {} /* such as M1, M2, ... */

  cont_layer(string){} /* via layer, such as VIA */

  cell (my_cell) {
    functional_yield_metric() {
      average_number_of_faults(fault_template) {
        values("float1, float2,... floatn");
      }

      critical_area_table (template_name) {
        defect_type : open | short | open_and_short;

        related_layer : string;
        index_1 ("float1, float2, ..., floatn");
        values ("float1, float2, ..., floatn");
      }
    }
  }
  ...
}
```

6.8.2 Library-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes library-level groups and attributes used for modeling critical area analysis data.

distance_unit and dist_conversion_factor Attributes

The `distance_unit` attribute specifies the distance unit and the resolution, or accuracy, of the values in the `critical_area_table` table in the `critical_area_lut_template` group. The distance and area values are represented as floating-point numbers that are rounded in the `critical_area_table`. The distance values are rounded by the `dist_conversion_factor` and the area values are rounded by the `dist_conversion_factor` squared.

critical_area_lut_template Group

The `critical_area_lut_template` group is a critical area lookup table used only for critical area analysis modeling. The `defect_size_diameter` is the only valid variable.

device_layer, poly_layer, routing_layer, and cont_layer Groups

Because yield calculation varies among different types of layers, Liberty syntax supports the following types of layers: device, poly, routing, and contact (via) layers. The `device_layer`, `poly_layer`, `routing_layer`, and `cont_layer` groups define layers that have critical area data modeled on them for cells in the library. The layer definition is specified at the library level. It is recommended that you declare the layers in order, from the bottom up. The layer names specified here must match the actual layer names in the corresponding physical libraries.

6.8.3 Cell-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes cell-level groups and attributes used for modeling critical area analysis data.

critical_area_table Group

The `critical_area_table` group specifies a critical area table at the cell level that is used for critical area analysis modeling. The `critical_area_table` group uses `critical_area_lut_template` as the template. The `critical_area_table` group contains the following attributes:

defect_type Attribute

The `defect_type` attribute value indicates whether the critical area analysis table values are measured against a short or open electrical failure when particles fall on the wafer. The following enumerated values are accepted: `short`, `open` and `open_and_short`. The `open_and_short` attribute value specifies that the critical area analysis table is modeled for both short and open failure types. If `defect_type` is not specified, the default is `open_and_short`.

related_layer Attribute

The `related_layer` attribute defines the names of the layers to which the critical area analysis table values apply. All layer names must be predefined in the library's layer definitions.

index_1 Attribute

The `index_1` attribute defines the defect size diameter array in the unit of `distance_unit`. The attribute is optional if the values for this array are the same as that in the `critical_area_lut_template`.

values Attribute

The `values` attribute defines critical area values for nonvia layers in the unit of `distance_unit` squared. For via layers, the `values` attribute specifies the number of single cuts on the layer.

6.8.4 Example

The following example shows a library with critical area analysis data modeling.

```

library(my_library) {

distance_unit : um;
dist_conversion_factor : 1000;
critical_area_lut_template (caa_template) {
    variable_1 : defect_size_diameter;
    index_1 ("0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30");
}

device_layer("OD") {}
poly_layer("PO") {}
routing_layer("M1") {}
routing_layer("M2") {}
cont_layer("VIA") {}
...

cell (BUF) {
    functional_yield_metric() {
        critical_area_table (caa_template) {
            defect_type : open;
            related_layer : M1 ;
            index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15,
                0.16, 0.17") ;
            values ("0.03, 0.09, 0.15, 0.22, 0.30, 0.39, 0.50, 0.62,
                0.74, 0.87") ;
        }
        critical_area_table (caa_template) {
            defect_type : short;
            related_layer : M1 ;
            index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15,
                0.16, 0.17") ;
            values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81,
                0.95, 1.09") ;
        }

        critical_area_table (scalar) {
            /* If no defect_type is defined, the critical area analysis
            value is used for both short and open. Define defect_type : */

            open_and_short
                also works.*/
            related_layer : VIA;
            values ("12");
        }
        ...
    }
}
}

```

6.9 Flip-Flop and Latch Examples

[Example 6-13](#) through [Example 6-25](#) show flip-flops and latches in ff or latch and statetable syntax.

Example 6-13 D Flip-Flop

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ,IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
}
/* statetable format */

statetable("          D CP", "IQ") {
    table : "          H/L          R          : - :
H/L,\
          -          ~R          : - :          N";
}

```

Example 6-14 D Flip-Flops With Master-Slave Clock Input Pins

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ,IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CK" ;
    clocked_on_also : "CKN'" ;
}

/* statetable format */
statetable(" D  CK  CKN", "MQSQ") {
    table : " H/L  R  ~F  : -  -  :  H/L  N,\
          -  ~R  F  : H/L -  :  N  H/L,\
          H/L  R  F  : L  -  :  H/L  L,\
          H/L  R  F  : H  -  :  H/L  H,\
          -  ~R  ~F  : -  -  :  N  N";
}

```

Example 6-15 D Flip-Flop With Gated Clock

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ,IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "C1 * C2" ;
}

```

```

}

/* statetable format */

statetable("          D          C1   C2", "IQ") {
  table : "          H/L          H   R   : - :
H/L,\
          H/L          R   H   : - :          H/L,\
          H/L          R   R   : - :          H/L,\
          -          -   -   : - :          N";
}

```

Example 6-16 D Flip-Flop With Active-Low Direct-Clear and Active-Low Direct-Set

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ,IQN) {
  next_state : "D" ;
  clocked_on : "CP" ;
  clear : " CD' " ;
  preset : " SD' " ;
  clear_preset_var1 : L ;
  clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable("D      CP  CD  SD", "IQ IQN") {
  table : "H/L  R   H   H   : -   - : H/L  L/H,\
          -   ~R  H   H   : -   - : N    N,\
          -   -   L   H   : -   - : L    H,\
          -   -   H   L   : -   - : H    L,\
          -   -   L   L   : -   - : L    L";
}

```

Example 6-17 D Flip-Flop With Active-Low Direct-Clear, Active-Low Direct-Set, and One Output

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ,IQN) {

```

```

next_state : "D" ;
clocked_on : "CP" ;
clear : " CD' " ;
preset : " SD' " ;
clear_preset_var1 : L ;
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable(" D   CP   CD   SD", "IQ") {
  table : " H/L  R    H   H    : - :   H/L, \
          -   ~R  H   H    : - :   N, \
          -   -   L   H/L  : - :   L, \
          -   -   H   L    : - :   H";
}

```

Example 6-18 JK Flip-Flop With Active-Low Direct-Clear and Negative-Edge Clock

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ, IQN) {
  next_state : " (J' K' IQ) + (J K') + (J K IQ') " ;
  clocked_on : " CN' " ;
  clear : " CD' " ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable(" J   K   CD   CD", "IQ") {
  table : " -   -   -   L    : - :   L, \
          -   -   ~F  H    : - :   N, \
          L   L   F   H    : L/H :   L/H \
          H   L   F   H    : - :   H, \
          L   H   F   H    : - :   L, \
          H   H   F   H    : L/H :   H/L";
}

```

Example 6-19 D Flip-Flop With Scan Input Pins

```

/* ff/latch format */

```

```

ff (IQ,IQN) {
  next_state : " (D TE') + (TI TE)" ;
  clocked_on : "CP" ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable(" D   TE  TI  CP",  "IQ") {
  table : " H/L  L  -   R  :  -  :  H/L,\
          -   H  H/L  R  :  -  :  H/L,\
          -   -  -   ~R :  -  :  N";
}

```

Example 6-20 D Flip-Flop With Synchronous Clear

```

/* ff/latch format */

ff (IQ, IQN) {
  next_state : "D CR" ;
  clocked_on : "CP" ;
}

/* statetable format */
statetable(" D   CR  CP",  "IQ") {
  table : " H/L  H  R   :  -  :  H/L,\
          -   L  R   :  -  :  L,\
          -   -  ~R  :  -  :  N";
}

```

Example 6-21 D Latch

```

/* ff/latch format */

latch (IQ,IQN) {
  data_in : "D" ;
  enable : "G" ;
}

/* statetable format */

```

```

statetable(" D G", "IQ") {
    table : " H/L H : - : H/L,\
           - L : - : N";
}

```

Example 6-22 SR Latch

```

/* ff/latch format */

latch (IQ,IQN) {
    clear : "R" ;
    preset : "S" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable(" R          S", "IQ IQN") {
    table : " H  L  : - - : L  H,\
           L  H  : - - : H  L,\
           H  H  : - - : L  L,\
           L  L  : - - : N  N";
}

```

Example 6-23 D Latch With Active-Low Direct-Clear

```

/* ff/latch format */

latch (IQ,IQN) {
    data_in : "D" ;
    enable : "G" ;
    clear : " CD' " ;
}

/* statetable format */

statetable(" D  G  CD", "IQ") {

```

```

        table : " H/L H   H   : - :   H/L, \
                -  L   H   : - :   N, \
                -  -   L   : - :   L";
    }

```

Example 6-24 Multibit D Latch With Active-Low Direct-Clear

```
/* ff/latch format */
```

```

latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
    data_in : "D" ;
    enable  : "EN" ;
    clear   : "CLR'" ;
    preset  : "PRE'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : H ;
    clear_preset_var2 : H ;
}

```

```
/* statetable format */
```

```

statetable(" D   EN  CL  PRE", "IQ IQN") {
    table : "H/L  H   H   H   : -   - : H/L  L/H, \
            -   L   H   H   : -   - : N    N, \
            -   -   L   H   : -   - : L    H, \
            -   -   H   L   : -   - : H    L, \
            -   -   L   L   : -   - : H    H";
}

```

Example 6-25 D Flip-Flop With Scan Clock

```

statetable(" D   S  CD  SC  CP", "IQ") {
    table : " H/L  -    ~R  R   : - : H/L, \
            -    H/L  R    ~R  : - : H/L, \
            -    -    ~R  ~R  : - : N, \
            -    -    R    R   : - : X";
}

```

6.10 Cell Description Examples

[Example 6-26](#) through [Example 6-28](#) illustrate some of the concepts this chapter discusses.

Example 6-26 D Latches With Master-Slave Enable Input Pins

```
cell(ms_latch) {
  area : 16;
  pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  pin(G1) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
  }
  pin(G2) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
  }
  pin(mq) {
    internal_node : "Q";
    direction : internal;
    input_map : "D G1";
    timing() {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.99;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.96;
      rise_resistance : 0.1458;
      fall_resistance : 0.0653;
      related_pin : "G1";
    }
  }
  pin(Q) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
    internal_node : "Q";
    input_map : "mq G2";
    timing() {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.99;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.96;
      rise_resistance : 0.1458;
      fall_resistance : 0.0653;
      related_pin : "G2";
    }
  }
  pin(QN) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQN";
    internal_node : "QN";
    input_map : "mq G2";
    timing() {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.99;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.96;
      rise_resistance : 0.1458;
      fall_resistance : 0.0653;
    }
  }
}
```

```

        related_pin : "G2";
    }
}
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    clocked_on : "G1";
    clocked_on_also : "G2";
    next_state : "D";
}
    statetable ( "D G", "Q QN" ) {
table : "L/H H : - - : L/H H/L,\
        - L : - - : N N";
    }
}
}

```

Example 6-27 FF Shift Register With Timing Removed

```

cell(shift_reg_ff) {
    area : 16;
    pin(D) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
    }
    pin(CP) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 2;
    }
    pin (Q0) {
        direction : output;
        internal_node : "Q";
        input_map : "D CP";
    }
    pin (Q1) {
        direction : output;
        internal_node : "Q";
        input_map : "Q0 CP";
    }
    pin (Q2) {
        direction : output;
        internal_node : "Q";
        input_map : "Q1 CP";
    }
    pin (Q3) {
        direction : output;
        internal_node : "Q";
        input_map : "Q2 CP";
    }
    statetable( "D CP", "Q QN" ) {
        table : "- ~R : - - : N N,\
                H/L R : - - : H/L L/H";
    }
}

```

```
}
```

Example 6-28 FF Counter With Timing Removed

```
cell(counter_ff) {
  area : 16;
  pin(reset) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  pin(CP) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
  }
  pin (Q0) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node : "Q0";
    input_map : "CP reset Q0 Q1";
  }
  pin (Q1) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node : "Q1";
    input_map : "CP reset Q0 Q1";
  }
  statetable( "CP reset", "Q0 Q1" ) {
    table : "-   L : - - : L  H,\
            ~R  H : - - : N  N,\
            R  H : L L : H  L,\
            R  H : H L : L  H,\
            R  H : L H : H  H,\
            R  H : H H : L  L";
  }
}
```

7. Defining I/O Pads

To define I/O pads, you use the `library`, `cell`, and `pin` group attributes that describe input, output, and bidirectional pad cells.

To model I/O pads, you must understand the following concepts covered in this chapter:

- [Special Characteristics of I/O Pads](#)
- [Identifying Pad Cells](#)
- [Defining Units for Pad Cells](#)
- [Describing Input Pads](#)
- [Describing Output Pads](#)
- [Modeling Wire Load for Pads](#)
- [Programmable Driver Type Support in I/O Pad Cell Models](#)
- [Pad Cell Examples](#)

7.1 Special Characteristics of I/O Pads

I/O pads are the special cells at the chip boundaries that allow communication with the world outside the chip. Their characteristics distinguish them from the other cells that make up the core of an integrated circuit.

Pads typically have longer delays and higher drive capabilities than the cells in an integrated circuit's core. Because of their higher drive, CMOS pads sometimes exhibit noise problems. Slew-rate control is available on output pads to help alleviate this problem.

One distinguishing feature of pad cells is the voltage level at which input pads transfer logic 0 or logic 1 signals to the core or at which output pad drivers communicate logic values from the core.

Integrated circuits that communicate with one another must have compatible voltage levels at their pads. Because pads communicate with the world outside the integrated circuit, you must describe the pertinent units of peripheral library properties, such as external load, drive capability, delay, current, power, and resistance. This description makes it easier to design chips from multiple technologies.

You must capture all these properties in the library to make it possible for the integrated circuit designer to insert the correct pads during synthesis.

7.2 Identifying Pad Cells

Use the attributes described in the following sections to specify I/O pads and pad pin behaviors.

`pad_cell` Simple Attribute

In a `cell` group or a `model` group, the `pad_cell` attribute identifies a cell

as a pad cell.

Syntax

```
pad_cell : true | false ;
```

If the `pad_cell` attribute is included in a cell definition (true), at least one pin in the cell must have an `is_pad` attribute.

Example

```
pad_cell : true ;
```

If more than one pad cell can be used to build a logical pad, use the `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute in the cell definitions of all the component pad cells.

Syntax

```
auxiliary_pad_cell : true | false ;
```

Example

```
auxiliary_pad_cell : true ;
```

If the `pad_cell` or `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute is omitted, the cell is treated as an internal core cell rather than as a pad cell.

Note:

A cell with an `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute can also be used as a core cell; a pull-up or pull-down cell is an example of such a cell.

pad_type Simple Attribute

Use the `pad_type` attribute to identify a type of `pad_cell` or `auxiliary_pad_cell` that requires special treatment.

Syntax

```
pad_type : value ;
```

Example

```
pad_type : clock;
```

7.2.1 *is_pad* Attribute

After you identify a cell as a pad cell, you must indicate which pin represents the pad. The `is_pad` simple attribute must be used on at least one pin of a cell with a `pad_cell` attribute.

The `direction` attribute indicates whether the pad is an input, output, or bidirectional pad.

Syntax

```
is_pad : true | false ;
```

Example

```
cell(INBUF){
  ...
  pin(PAD){
    direction : input ;
    is_pad : true ;
  }
}
```

7.2.2 *driver_type* Attribute

A `driver_type` attribute defines two types of signal modifications: transformation and resolution.

- Transformation specifies an actual signal transition from 0/1 to L/H/Z. This signal transition performs a function on an input signal and requires only a straightforward mapping.
- Resolution resolves the value Z on an existing circuit node without actually performing a function and implies a constant (0/1) signal source as part of the resolution.

Syntax

```
driver_type : pull_up | pull_down | open_drain
| open_source | bus_hold | resistive | resistive_0 | resistive_1 ;
```

pull_up

The pin is connected to power through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin, it is in the Z state and its function is evaluated as a resistive 1 (H). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 1 (H). For a `pull_up` cell, the pin constantly stays at logic 1 (H).

pull_down

The pin is connected to ground through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin, it is in the Z state and its

function is evaluated as a resistive 0 (L). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 0 (L). For a `pull_down` cell, the pin constantly stays at logic 0 (L).

open_drain

The pin is an output pin without a pull-up transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 1.

Note:

An n-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_drain`, and a p-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_source`.

open_source

The pin is an output pin without a pull-down transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 0.

bus_hold

The pin is a bidirectional pin on a bus holder cell. The pin holds the last logic value present at that pin when no other active drivers are on the associated net. Pins with this driver type cannot have `function` or `three_state` attributes.

resistive

The pin is an output pin connected to a controlled pull-up or pull-down resistor with a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-up or pull-down resistor is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin is turned into a weak 0, a functional value of 1 is turned into a weak 1, but a functional value of Z is not affected.

resistive_0

The pin is an output pin connected to power through a pull-up resistor that has a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-up resistor is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 1 evaluated at the pin turns into a weak 1, but a functional value of 0 or Z is not affected.

resistive_1

The pin is an output pin connected to ground through a pull-down resistor that has a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-down resistor is turned off and has

no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin turns into a weak 0, but a functional value of 1 or Z is not affected.

[Table 7-1](#) lists the driver types, their signal mappings, and the applicable pin types.

Table 7-1 Driver Types

Driver type	Description	Signal mapping	Applicable pin types
pull_up	Resolution	01Z -> 01H	in, out
pull_down	Resolution	01Z -> 01L	in, out
bus_hold	Resolution	01Z -> 01S	inout
open_drain	Transformation	01Z -> 0ZZ	out
open_source	Transformation	01Z -> Z1Z	out
resistive	Transformation	01Z -> LHZ	out
resistive_0	Transformation	01Z -> 0HZ	out
resistive_1	Transformation	01Z -> L1Z	out

In [Table 7-1](#), the pull_up, pull_down, and bus_hold driver types define a resolution scheme. The remaining driver types define transformations.

The following example describes an output pin with a pull-up resistor and the bidirectional pin on a bus_hold cell.

Example

```

cell (bus) {
    pin(Y) {
        direction : output ;
        driver_type : pull_up ;
        pulling_resistance : 10000 ;
        function : "IO" ;
        three_state : "OE" ;
    }
}
cell (bus_hold) {
    pin(Y) {
        direction : inout ;
        driver_type : bus_hold ;
    }
}

```

7.3 Defining Units for Pad Cells

To process pads for full-chip synthesis, specify the units of time, capacitance, resistance, voltage, current, and power:

- `time_unit`
- `capacitive_load_unit`
- `pulling_resistance_unit`
- `voltage_unit`
- `current_unit`
- `leakage_power_unit`

All these attributes are defined at the library level, as described in [“Defining Units”](#). These values are required.

7.3.1 Capacitance

The `capacitive_load_unit` attribute defines the capacitance associated with a standard load. If you already represent capacitance values in terms of picofarads or femtofarads, use this attribute to define your base unit. If you represent capacitance in terms of the standard load of an inverter, define the exact capacitance for that inverter—for example, 0.101 pF.

Example

```
capacitive_load_unit( 0.1, ff );
```

7.3.2 Resistance

In timing groups, you can define a `rise_resistance` and a `fall_resistance` value. These values are used expressly in timing calculations. The values indicate how many time units it takes to drive a capacitive load of one capacitance unit to either 1 or 0. You do not need to provide units of measure for `rise_resistance` or `fall_resistance`.

You must supply a `pulling_resistance` attribute for pull-up and pull-down devices on pads and identify the unit to use with the `pulling_resistance_unit` attribute.

Example

```
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
```

7.3.3 Voltage

You can use the `input_voltage` and `output_voltage` groups to define a set of input or output voltage ranges for your pads. To define the units of voltage you use for these groups, use the `voltage_unit` attribute. All the attributes defined inside `input_voltage` and `output_voltage` groups are scaled by the value defined for `voltage_unit`. In addition, the `voltage` attribute in the `operating_conditions` groups also represents its values in these units.

Example

```
voltage_unit : "1V";
```

7.3.4 Current

You can define the drive current that can be generated by an output pad and also define the pulling current for a pull-up or pull-down transistor under nominal voltage conditions. Define all current values with the library-level `current_unit` attribute.

Example

```
current_unit : "1uA";
```

7.4 Describing Input Pads

To represent input pads in your technology library, you must describe the input voltage characteristics and indicate whether hysteresis applies.

The input pad properties are described in the next section. Examples at the end of this chapter describe a standard input buffer, an input buffer with hysteresis, and an input clock buffer.

input_voltage Group

An `input_voltage` group is defined in the `library` group to designate a set of input voltage ranges for your cells.

Syntax

```
library (name_string) {  
  input_voltage (name_string) {  
    vil : float | expression ;  
    vih : float | expression ;  
    vimin : float | expression ;  
    vimax : float | expression ;  
  }  
}
```

vil

The maximum input voltage for which the input to the core is guaranteed to be a logic 0.

vih

The minimum input voltage for which the input to the core is guaranteed to be a logic 1.

vimin

The minimum acceptable input voltage.

`vimax`

The maximum acceptable input voltage.

After you define an `input_voltage` group, you can use its name with the `input_voltage` simple attribute in a `pin` group of a cell. For example, you can define an `input_voltage` group with a set of high and low thresholds and minimum and maximum voltage levels and use the `pin` group to assign those ranges to the cell pin, as shown here.

Example

```
pin() {  
    ...  
    input_voltage : my_input_voltages ;  
    ...  
}
```

The value of each attribute is expressed as a floating-point number, an expression, or both. [Table 7-2](#) lists the predefined variables that can be used in an expression.

Table 7-2 Voltage-Level Variables for the `input_voltage` Group

CMOS or BiCMOS variable	Default value
VDD	5V
VSS	0V
VCC	5V

The default values represent nominal operating conditions. These values fluctuate with the voltage range defined in the `operating_conditions` group.

All voltage values are in the units you define with the `library` group `voltage_unit` attribute.

[Example 7-1](#) shows a collection of `input_voltage` groups.

Example 7-1 `input_voltage` Groups

```
input_voltage(CMOS) {  
    vil : 0.3 * VDD ;  
    vih : 0.7 * VDD ;  
    vimin : -0.5 ;  
    vimax : VDD + 0.5 ;
```

```

}

input_voltage(TTL_5V) {
    vil : 0.8 ;
    vih : 2.0 ;
    vimin : -0.5 ;
    vimax : VDD + 0.5 ;
}

```

7.4.1 hysteresis Attribute

Use the `hysteresis` attribute on an input pad when you anticipate a long transition time or when you expect the pad to be driven by a particularly noisy line.

You can indicate an input pad with hysteresis, using the `hysteresis` attribute. The default for this attribute is `false`. When it is `true`, the `vil` and `vol` voltage ratings are actual transition points.

Example

```
hysteresis : true;
```

Pads with hysteresis sometimes have derating factors that are different from those of cells in the core. As a result, you need to describe the timing of cells that have hysteresis with a `scaled_cell` group. This construct provides derating capabilities and minimum, typical, or maximum timing for cells.

7.5 Describing Output Pads

To represent output pads in your technology library, you must describe the output voltage characteristics and the drive-current rating of output and bidirectional pads. Additionally, you must include information about the slew rate of the pad. These output pad properties are described in the sections that follow.

Examples at the end of this chapter show a standard output buffer and a bidirectional pad.

output_voltage Group

You define an `output_voltage` group in the `library` group to designate a set of output voltage level ranges to drive output cells.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
```

```

output_voltage(name_string)
{
    vol : float | expression ;
    voh : float | expression ;
    vomin : float | expression ;
    vomax : float | expression ;
}
output_voltage (name_string)
{
    ... output_voltage description ... ;
}
}

```

The value for `vol`, `voh`, `vomin`, and `vomax` is a floating-point number or an expression. An expression allows you to define voltage levels as a percentage of VSS or VDD.

vol

The maximum output voltage generated to represent a logic 0.

voh

The minimum output voltage generated to represent a logic 1.

vomin

The minimum output voltage the pad can generate.

vomax

The maximum output voltage the pad can generate.

[Table 7-3](#) lists the predefined variables you can use in an `output_voltage` expression attribute. Separate variables are defined for CMOS and BiCMOS.

Table 7-3 Voltage-Level Variables for the `output_voltage` Group

CMOS or BiCMOS variable	Default value
VDD	5V
VSS	0V
VCC	5V

The default values represent nominal operating conditions. These values fluctuate with the voltage range defined in the `operating_conditions` groups.

All voltage values are in the units you define with the

voltage_unit attribute within the library group.

[Example 7-2](#) shows an example of an output_voltage group.

Example 7-2 output_voltage Group

```
output_voltage(GENERAL) {  
    vol : 0.4 ;  
    voh : 2.4 ;  
    vomin : -0.3 ;  
    vomax : VDD + 0.3 ;  
}
```

7.5.1 Drive Current

Output and bidirectional pads in a technology can have different drive-current capabilities. To define the drive current supplied by the pad buffer, use the `drive_current` attribute on an output or bidirectional pad or auxiliary pad pin. The value is in units consistent with the `current_unit` attribute you defined.

Example

```
pin(PAD) {  
    direction : output;  
    is_pad : true;  
    drive_current : 1.0;  
}
```

7.5.2 Slew-Rate Control

The `slew_control` attribute accepts one of four possible enumerations: none, low, medium, and high; the default is none. Increasing the slew control level slows down the transition rate. This method is the coarsest way to measure the level of slew-rate control associated with an output pad.

Threshold Attributes

You can define slew-rate control in terms of the current versus time characteristics of the output pad (di/dt). The syntax is

```
threshold_attribute : value ;
```

The *value* is a floating-point number in the units specified by `current_unit` for current-related attributes and `time_unit` for time-related attributes.

The eight threshold attributes are

```
rise_current_slope_before_threshold
```

This value represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time from the beginning of the rising transition to the threshold point.

rise_current_slope_after_threshold

This value represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time from the point at which the rising transition reaches the threshold to the end of the transition.

fall_current_slope_before_threshold

This value represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time from the beginning of the falling transition to the threshold point.

fall_current_slope_after_threshold

This value represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time from the point at which the falling transition reaches the threshold to the end of the transition.

rise_time_before_threshold

This value gives the time interval from the beginning of the rising transition to the point at which the threshold is reached.

rise_time_after_threshold

This value gives the time interval from the threshold point of the rising transition to the end of the transition.

fall_time_before_threshold

This value gives the time interval from the beginning of the falling transition to the point at which the threshold is reached.

fall_time_after_threshold

This value gives the time interval from the threshold point of the falling transition to the end of the transition.

[Example 7-3](#) shows the slew-rate control attributes on an output pad pin.

Example 7-3 Slew-Rate Control Attributes

```
pin(PAD) {
    is_pad : true;
    direction : output;
    output_voltage : GENERAL;
    slew_control : high;
    rise_current_slope_before_threshold : 0.18;
    rise_time_before_threshold : 0.8;
    rise_current_slope_after_threshold : -0.09;
    rise_time_after_threshold : 2.4;
```

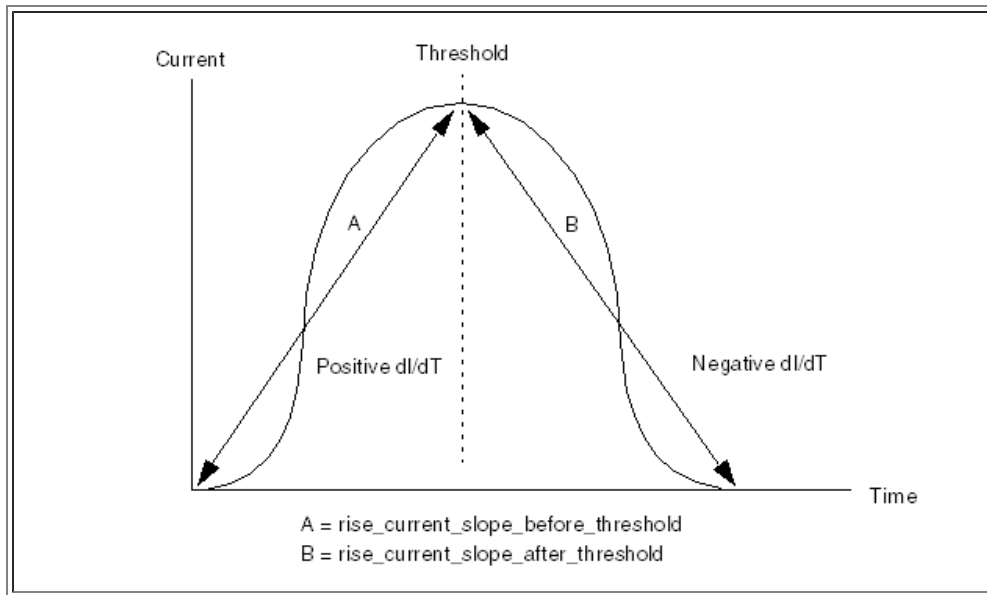
```

fall_current_slope_before_threshold : -0.14;
fall_time_before_threshold : 0.55;
fall_current_slope_after_threshold : 0.07;
fall_time_after_threshold : 1.8;
...
}

```

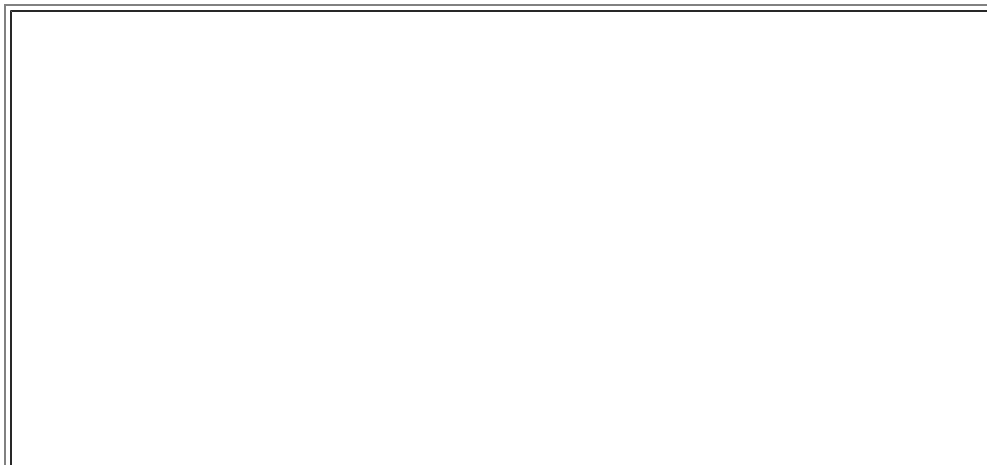
[Figure 7-1](#) depicts the `rise_current_slope` attributes. The A value is a positive number representing a linear approximation of the change of current as a function of time from the beginning of the rising transition to the threshold point. The B value is a negative number representing a linear approximation of the current change over time from the point at which the rising transition reaches the threshold to the end of the transition.

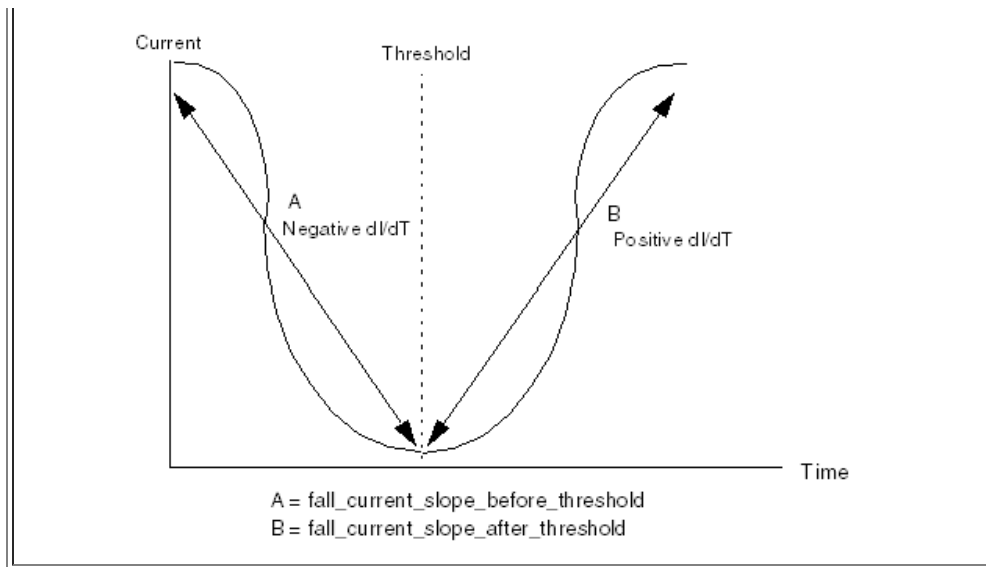
Figure 7-1 Slew-Rate Attributes—Rising Transitions



For falling transitions, the graph is reversed: A is negative and B is positive, as shown in [Figure 7-2](#).

Figure 7-2 Slew-Rate Attributes—Falling Transitions





[Example 7-4](#) shows the slew-rate control attributes:

Example 7-4 Slew-Rate Control Attributes

```
pin(PAD) {
    is_pad : true;
    direction : output;
    output_voltage : GENERAL;
    slew_control : high;
    rise_current_slope_before_threshold : 0.18;
    rise_time_before_threshold : 0.8;
    rise_current_slope_after_threshold : -0.09;
    rise_time_after_threshold : 2.4;
    fall_current_slope_before_threshold : -0.14;
    fall_time_before_threshold : 0.55;
    fall_current_slope_after_threshold : 0.07;
    fall_time_after_threshold : 1.8;
    ...
}
```

7.6 Modeling Wire Load for Pads

You can define several `wire_load` groups to contain all the information needed to estimate interconnect wiring delays. Estimated wire loads for pads can be significantly different from those of core cells.

The wire load model for the net connecting an I/O pad to the core needs to be handled separately, because such a net is usually longer than most other nets in the circuit. Some I/O pad nets extend completely across the chip.

You can define the `wire_load` group, which you want to use for wire load estimation, on the pad ring. Add a level of hierarchy by placing the pads in the top level and by placing all the core circuitry at a lower level.

7.7 Programmable Driver Type Support in I/O Pad Cell Models

To support pull-up and pull-down circuit structures, the Liberty models for I/O pad cells support pull-up and pull-down driver information using the `driver_type` attribute with the `pull_up` or `pull_down` values.

Liberty syntax also supports conditional (programmable) pull-up and pull-down driver information for I/O pad cells. The programmable pin syntax has also been extended to other `driver_type` attribute values, such as `bus_hold`, `open_drain`, `open_source`, `resistive`, `resistive_0`, and `resistive_1`.

7.7.1 Syntax

The following syntax supports programmable driver types in I/O pad cell models. Unlike the nonprogrammable driver type support, the programmable driver type support allows you to specify more than one driver type within a pin.

```
pin (pin_name) { /* programmable driver type pin */
    ...
    pull_up_function : "function string";
    pull_down_function : "function string";
    bus_hold_function : "function string";
    open_drain_function : "function string";
    open_source_function : "function string";
    resistive_function : "function string";
    resistive_0_function : "function string";
    resistive_1_function : "function string";
    ...
}
```

7.7.2 Programmable Driver Type Functions

The functions in [Table 7-4](#) have been introduced on top of (as an extension of) the existing `driver_type` attribute to support programmable pins. These driver type functions help model the programmable driver types. The same rules that apply to nonprogrammable driver types also apply to these functions.

Table 7-4 Programmable Driver Type Functions

Programmable driver type	Applicable on pin types
<code>pull_up_function</code>	Input, output and inout
<code>pull_down_function</code>	Input, output and inout
<code>bus_hold_function</code>	Inout
<code>open_drain_function</code>	Output and inout
<code>open_source_function</code>	Output and inout

resistive_function	Output and inout
resistive_0_function	Output and inout
resistive_1_function	Output and inout

With the exception of `pull_up_function` and `pull_down_function`, if any of the driver type functions in [Table 7-4](#) is specified on an inout pin, it is used only for output pins.

The following rules apply to programmable driver type functions (as well as nonprogrammable driver types in I/O pad cell models):

- The attribute can be applied to pad cell only.
- Only the input and inout pin can be specified in the function string.
- The function string is a Boolean function of input pins.

The following rules apply to an inout pin:

- If `pull_up_function` or `pull_down_function` and `open_drain_function` are specified within the same inout pin, `pull_up_function` or `pull_down_function` is used for the input pins.
- If `bus_hold_function` is specified on an inout pin, it is used for input and output pins.

Example

[Example 7-5](#) models a programmable driver type in an I/O pad cell.

Example 7-5 Example of Programmable Driver Type

```
library(cond_pull_updown_example) {
  delay_model : table_lookup;

  time_unit : 1ns;
  voltage_unit : 1V;
  capacitive_load_unit (1.0, pf);
  current_unit : 1mA;

  cell(conditional_PU_PD) {
    dont_touch : true ;
    dont_use : true ;
    pad_cell : true ;
    pin(IO) {
      drive_current : 1 ;
      min_capacitance : 0.001 ;
      min_transition : 0.0008 ;
      is_pad : true ;
      direction : inout ;
      max_capacitance : 30 ;
    }
  }
}
```

```

max_fanout      : 2644 ;
function        : "(A*ETM')+(TA*ETM) " ;
three_state     : "(TEN*ETM')+(EN*ETM) " ;
                pull_up_function    : "(!P1 * !P2)" ;
pull_down_function : "( P1 * P2)" ;
capacitance     : 2.06649 ;
timing() {
    related_pin : "IO A ETM TEN TA" ;
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
}
timing() {

```

```

    timing_type : three_state_disable;
    related_pin : "EN ETM TEN" ;
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
}
}

```

```

pin(ZI) {
    direction : output;
    function   : "IO" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "IO" ;
        cell_rise(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        rise_transition(scalar) {

```

```

        values("0" ) ;
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values("0" ) ;
    }
}
}
pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
pin(EN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
pin(TA) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
pin(TEN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
}
pin(ETM) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
}
pin(P1) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
}
pin(P2) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}
}
} /* End cell conditional_PU_PD */
} /* End Library */

```

7.8 Pad Cell Examples

These are examples of input, clock, output, and bidirectional pad cells.

7.8.1 Input Pads

The input pad definition in [Example 7-6](#) represents a standard input buffer, and [Example 7-7](#) lists an input buffer with hysteresis. [Example 7-8](#) shows an input clock buffer.

Example 7-6 Input Buffer

```
library (example1) {
  date : "August 14, 2005" ;
  revision : 2005.05;
  ...
  time_unit : "1ns";
  voltage_unit : "1V";
  current_unit : "1uA";
  pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
  capacitive_load_unit( 0.1,ff );
  ...
  define_cell_area(bond_pads,pad_slots);
  define_cell_area(driver_sites,pad_driver_sites);
  ...
  input_voltage(CMOS) {
    vil : 1.5;
    vih : 3.5;
    vimin : -0.3;
    vimax : VDD + 0.3;
  }
  ...
  /***** INPUT PAD*****/
  cell(INBUF) {
    area : 0.000000;
    pad_cell : true;
    bond_pads : 1;
    driver_sites : 1;
    pin(PAD ) {
      direction : input;
      is_pad : true;
      input_voltage : CMOS;
      capacitance : 2.500000;
      fanout_load : 0.000000;
    }
    pin(Y ) {
      direction : output;
      function : "PAD";
      timing() {
        intrinsic_fall : 2.952000
        intrinsic_rise : 3.075000
        fall_resistance : 0.500000
        rise_resistance : 0.500000
        related_pin : "PAD";
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Example 7-7 Input Buffer With Hysteresis

```
library (example1) {
  date : "August 14, 2005" ;
  revision : 2005.05;
  ...
  time_unit : "1ns";
  voltage_unit : "1V";
  current_unit : "1uA";
  pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
  capacitive_load_unit( 0.1,ff );
  ...
  input_voltage(CMOS_SCHMITT) {
    vil : 1.0;
    vih : 4.0;
    vimin : -0.3;
    vimax : VDD + 0.3;
  }
  ...
  /*INPUT PAD WITH HYSTERESIS*/
  cell(INBUFH) {
    area : 0.000000;
    pad_cell : true;
    pin(PAD ) {
      direction : input;
      is_pad : true;
      hysteresis : true;
      input_voltage : CMOS_SCHMITT;
      capacitance : 2.500000;
      fanout_load : 0.000000;
    }
    pin(Y ) {
      direction : output;
      function : "PAD";
      timing() {
        intrinsic_fall : 2.952000
        intrinsic_rise : 3.075000
        fall_resistance : 0.500000
        rise_resistance : 0.500000
        related_pin : "PAD";
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Example 7-8 Input Clock Buffer

```
library (example1) {
```

```

date : "August 12, 2005" ;
revision : 2005.05;
...
time_unit : "1ns";
voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit( 0.1,ff );
...
input_voltage(CMOS) {
    vil : 1.5;
    vih : 3.5;
    vimin : -0.3;
    vimax : VDD + 0.3;
}
...
/***** CLOCK INPUT BUFFER *****/
cell(CLKBUF) {
    area : 0.000000;
    pad_cell : true;
    pad_type : clock;
    pin(PAD ) {
        direction : input;
        is_pad : true;
        input_voltage : CMOS;
        capacitance : 2.500000;
        fanout_load : 0.000000;
    }
    pin(Y ) {
        direction : output;
        function : "PAD";
        max_fanout : 2000.000000;
        timing() {
            intrinsic_fall : 6.900000
            intrinsic_rise : 5.700000
            fall_resistance : 0.010238
            rise_resistance : 0.009921
            related_pin : "PAD";
        }
    }
}
}

```

7.8.2 Output Pads

The output pad definition in [Example 7-9](#) represents a standard output buffer.

Example 7-9 Output Buffer

```

library (example1) {

```



```

date : "August 12, 2005" ;
revision : 2005.05;
...
time_unit : "1ns";
voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit( 0.1,ff );
...
output_voltage(GENERAL) {
    vol : 0.4;
    voh : 2.4;
    vomin : -0.3;
    vomax : VDD + 0.3;
}
/***** OUTPUT PAD *****/
cell(OUTBUF) {
    area : 0.000000;
    pad_cell : true;
    pin(D ) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.800000;
    }
    pin(PAD ) {
        direction : output;
        is_pad : true;
        drive_current : 2.0;
        output_voltage : GENERAL;
        function : "D";
        timing() {
            intrinsic_fall : 9.348001
            intrinsic_rise : 8.487000
            fall_resistance : 0.186960
            rise_resistance : 0.169740
            related_pin : "D";
        }
    }
}
}

```

7.8.3 Bidirectional Pad

[Example 7-10](#) shows a bidirectional pad cell with three-state enable.

Example 7-10 Bidirectional Pad

```

library (example1) {
    date : "August 12, 2005" ;
    revision : 2005.05;
    ...

```

```

time_unit : "1ns";
voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit( 0.1,ff );
...
output_voltage(GENERAL) {
    vol : 0.4;
    voh : 2.4;
    vomin : -0.3;
    vomax : VDD + 0.3;
}
/***** BIDIRECTIONAL PAD *****/
cell(BIBUF) {
    area : 0.000000;
    pad_cell : true;
    pin(E D ) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.800000;
    }
    pin(Y ) {
        direction : output;
        function : "PAD";
        driver_type : "open_source pull_up";
        pulling_resistance : 10000;
        timing() {
            intrinsic_fall : 2.952000
            intrinsic_rise : 3.075000
            fall_resistance : 0.500000
            rise_resistance : 0.500000
            related_pin : "PAD";
        }
    }
}
pin(PAD ) {
    direction : inout;
    is_pad : true;
    drive_current : 2.0;
    output_voltage : GENERAL;
    input_voltage : CMOS;
    function : "D";
    three_state : "E";
    timing() {
        intrinsic_fall : 19.065001
        intrinsic_rise : 17.466000
        fall_resistance : 0.381300
        rise_resistance : 0.346860
        related_pin : "E";
    }
    timing() {
        intrinsic_fall : 9.348001

```

```

        intrinsic_rise : 8.487000
        fall_resistance : 0.186960
        rise_resistance : 0.169740
        related_pin : "D";
    }
}
}

```

7.8.4 Cell with contention_condition and x_function

[Example 7-11](#) shows a cell with the `contention_condition` attribute, which specifies contention-causing conditions and the `x_function` attribute, which describes the X behavior of the pin. See [“contention_condition Attribute”](#) and the [“x_function Attribute”](#) description in [“Describing Clock Pin Functions”](#) for more information about these attributes.

Example 7-11 Cell With contention_condition and x_function Attributes

```

default_intrinsic_fall : 0.1;
default_inout_pin_fall_res : 0.1;
default_fanout_load : 0.1;
default_intrinsic_rise : 0.1;
default_slope_rise : 0.1;
default_output_pin_fall_res : 0.1;
default_inout_pin_cap : 0.1;
default_input_pin_cap : 0.1;
default_slope_fall : 0.1;
default_inout_pin_rise_res : 0.1;
default_output_pin_cap : 0.1;
default_output_pin_rise_res : 0.1;

capacitive_load_unit(1, pf);

pulling_resistance_unit : 1ohm;

voltage_unit : 1V;
current_unit : 1mA;
time_unit : 1ps;

cell (cell_a) {
    area : 1;
    contention_condition : "!ap & an";

    pin (ap, an) {
        direction : input;
    }
}

```

```

    capacitance : 1;
}
pin (io) {
    direction : output;
    function : "!ap & !an";
    three_state : "ap & !an";
    x_function : "!ap & an";
    timing() {
        related_pin : "ap an";
        timing_type : three_state_disable;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.1;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.1;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "ap an";
        timing_type : three_state_enable;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.1;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.1;
    }
}
pin (z) {
    direction : output;
    function : "!ap & !an";
    x_function : "!ap & an | ap & !an";
}
}
}

```

8. Defining Test Cells

A test cell contains information that supports full-scan or a partial-scan methodology.

You must add test-specific details of scannable cells to your technology libraries. For example, you must identify scannable flip-flops and latches and select the types of unscannable cells they replace for a given scan methodology. To do this, you must understand the following concepts described in this chapter:

- [Describing a Scan Cell](#)
- [Describing a Multibit Scan Cell](#)
- [Scan Cell Modeling Examples](#)

8.1 Describing a Scan Cell

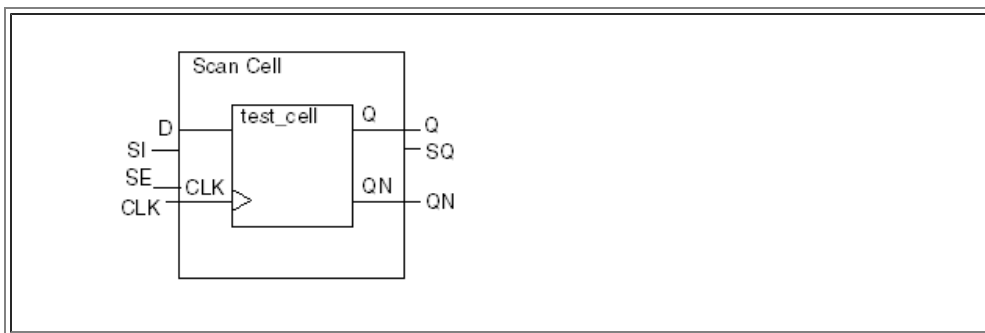
To specify a cell as a scan cell, add the `test_cell` group to the cell description.

Only the nontest mode function of a scan cell is modeled in the `test_cell` group. The nontest operation is described by its `ff`, `ff_bank`, `latch`, or `latch_bank` declaration and `pin` function attributes.

8.1.1 test_cell Group

The `test_cell` group defines only the nontest mode function of a scan cell. [Figure 8-1](#) illustrates the relationship between a `test_cell` group and the scan cell in which it is defined.

Figure 8-1 Scan Cell With test_cell Group



There are two important points to remember when defining a scan cell such as the one [Figure 8-1](#) shows:

- Pin names in the scan cell and the test cell must match.
- The scan cell and the test cell must contain the same functional outputs.

Following is the syntax of a `test_cell` group that contains pins:

Syntax

```

library (lib_name)
{ cell (cell_name) {
    test_cell () {
        ... test cell
    }
    description ...
    pin ( name ) {
        ... pin description ...
    }
    pin ( name ) {
        ...
    }
    pin description ...
}
}
}

```

You do not need to give the `test_cell` group a name, because the test cell takes the cell name of the cell being defined. The `test_cell` group can contain `ff`, `ff_bank`, `latch`, or `latch_bank` group statements and `pin` groups.

Pins in the `test_cell` Group

Both test pins and nontest pins can appear in `pin` groups within a `test_cell` group. These groups are like `pin` groups in a `cell` group but must adhere to the following rules:

- Each pin defined in the `cell` group must have a corresponding pin defined at the `test_cell` group level with the same name.
- The `pin` group can contain only `direction`, `function`, `test_output_only`, and `signal_type` attribute statements. The `pin` group cannot contain timing, capacitance, fanout, or load information.
- The `function` attributes can reflect only the nontest behavior of the cell.
- Input pins must be referenced in an `ff`, `ff_bank`, `latch`, or `latch_bank` statement or have a `signal_type` attribute assigned to them.
- An output pin must have either a `function` attribute, a `signal_type` attribute, or both.

8.1.2 `test_output_only` Attribute

This attribute indicates that an output port is set for test only (as opposed to function only, or function and test).

Syntax

```
test_output_only : true | false ;
```

When you use statetable format to describe the functionality of a scan cell, you must declare the output pin as set for test only by setting the `test_output_only` attribute to `true`.

Example

```
test_output_only : true ;
```

signal_type Simple Attribute

In a `test_cell` group, the `signal_type` attribute identifies the type of test pin.

Syntax

```
signal_type : test_scan_in | test_scan_in_inverted  
|  
  test_scan_out | test_scan_out_inverted |  
  
  test_scan_enable |  
  test_scan_enable_inverted |  
  test_scan_clock | test_scan_clock_a |  
  test_scan_clock_b | test_clock ;
```

test_scan_in

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell. The scanned value is the same as the value present on the scan-in pin. All scan cells must have a pin with either the `test_scan_in` or the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute.

test_scan_in_inverted

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell as having inverted polarity. The scanned value is the inverse of the value present on the scan-in pin.

For multiplexed flip-flop scan cells, the polarity of the scan-in pin is inferred from the latch or ff declaration of the cell itself. For other types of scan cells, clocked-scan, LSSD, and multiplexed flip-flop latches, it is not possible to give the ff or latch declaration of the entire scan cell. For these cases, you can use the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute in the cell where the scan-in pin appears in the latch or ff declarations for the entire cell.

test_scan_out

Identifies the scan-out pin of a scan cell. The value present on the scan-out pin is the same as the scanned value. All scan cells must have a pin with either a `test_scan_out` or a `test_scan_out_inverted` attribute.

The scan-out pin corresponds to the output of the slave latch in the LSSD methodologies.

test_scan_out_inverted

Identifies the scan-out pin of a test cell as having inverted polarity. The value on this pin is the inverse of

the scanned value.

test_scan_enable

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when high, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_enable_inverted

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when low, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_clock

Identifies the test scan clock for the clocked-scan methodology. The signal is assumed to be edge-sensitive. The active edge transfers data from the scan-in pin to the scan-out pin of a cell. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_a

Identifies the a clock pin in a cell that supports a single-latch LSSD, double-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodology. When the a clock is at the active level, the master latch of the scan cell can accept scan-in data. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_b

Identifies the b clock pin in a cell that supports the single-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodology. When the b clock is at the active level, the slave latch of the scan-cell can accept the value of the master latch. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_clock

Identifies an edge-sensitive clock pin that controls the capturing of data to fill scan-in test mode in the auxiliary clock LSSD methodology.

If an input pin is used in both test and nontest modes (such as the clock input in the multiplexed flip-flop methodology), do not include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an input pin is used only in test mode and does not exist on the cell that it scans and replaces, you must include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an output pin is used in nontest mode, it needs a function statement. The `signal_type` statement is used to identify an output pin as a scan-out pin. In a `test_cell` group, the `pin` group for an output pin can contain a function statement, a `signal_type` attribute, or both.

Note:

You do not have to define a function or `signal_type` attribute in the `pin` group if the pin is defined in a previous `test_cell` group for the same cell.

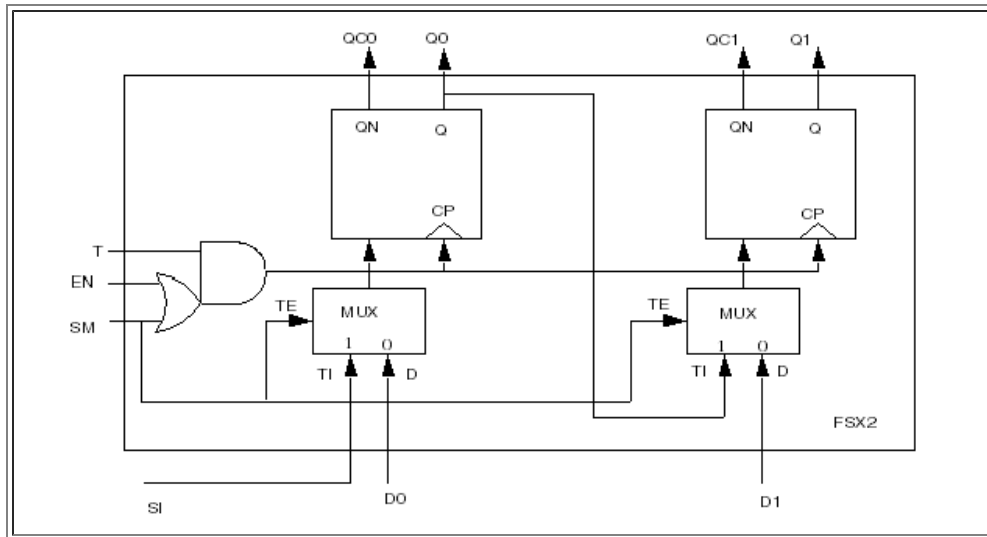
Example

```
signal_type : test_scan_in ;
```

8.2 Describing a Multibit Scan Cell

You can model a multibit scan cell, such as a 4-bit flip-flop, using the `ff_bank` or `latch_bank` group in the `test_cell` description. [Figure 8-2](#) illustrates a 2-bit section of a 4-bit D flip-flop with scan and enable.

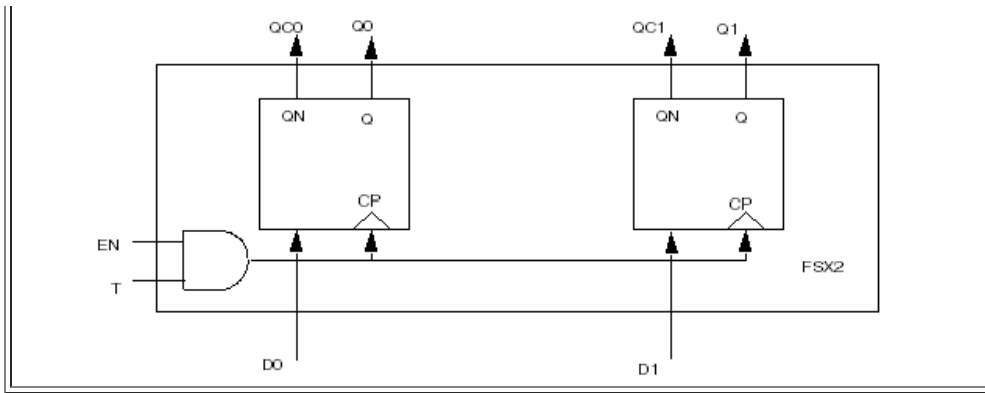
Figure 8-2 Multibit Scan Cell With test_cell Group



[Figure 8-3](#) shows the `test_cell` group (the nontest mode) of the cell in [Figure 8-2](#).

Figure 8-3 test_cell Group of Multibit Scan Cell





To create a multibit scan cell, use the `statetable` group in the full cell description, as shown in [Example 8-1](#).

Example 8-1 The `statetable` Group in the Full Cell Description

```

cell (FSX2) { ...
  bundle (D) {
    members (D0, D1);
    ...
  }
  bundle (Q) {
    members (Q0, Q1);
    ...
    pin (Q0) {
      input_map : "D0 T SI SM";
      ...
    }
    pin (Q1) {
      input_map : "D1 T Q0 SM";
      ...
    }
  }
  pin (SI) {
    ..
  }
  pin (SM) {
    ...
  }
  pin (T) {
    ...
  }
  }pin (EN) {
    ...
  }
  statetable ( "D CP TI TE EN", "Q QN") {
    /*D  CP  TI  TE  EN  Q  QN  Q+  QN+
*/
    table : "-  ~R  -  -  -:  -  -:  N  N,\
            -  -  -  L  L:  -  -:  N  N,\

```

```

        -   R   H/L   H   -: - -: H/L   L/H, \
        H/L  R   -    L   H: - -: H/L   L/H  "
    }
}

```

In [Example 8-1](#), the `statetable` group describes the behavior of a single slice of the cell. The `input_map` statements on pin Q0 and pin Q1 indicate the interconnection of the different slices of the cell—for example, Q of bit 0 goes to T1 of bit 1.

[Example 8-2](#) shows the `test_cell` description for multibit pins, using the `ff_bank` and `bundle` group attributes.

Example 8-2 `test_cell` Description for Multibit Scan Cells

```

cell (FSX2) {...
    bundle (D) {
        members (D0, D1);
        ...
    }
    bundle (Q) {
        members (Q0, Q1);
        ...
    }
    pin(SI){
        ...
    }
    pin(SM){
        ...
    }
    pin(T){
        ...
    }
    pin(EN) {
        ...
    }
    statetable (...) {
        ...
    }
    test_cell {
        ff_bank(IQ, IQN, 2){
            next_state : D ;
            clocked_on: "T & EN" ;
        }
        bundle (D) {
            members (D0, D1) ;
            ...
        }
        bundle (Q) {
            members (Q0, Q1) ;
            function : IQ ;
        }
    }
}

```

```

        signal_type : test_scan_out ;
    }
    bundle(QC) {
        members (QC0, QC1);
        function : IQN ;
        signal_type : test_scan_out_inverted ;
    }
    pin (SI) {
        signal_type : test_scan_in;
        ...
    }
    pin (SM) {
        signal_type : test_scan_enable ;
        ...
    }
    pin (T) {
        ...
    }
}
}

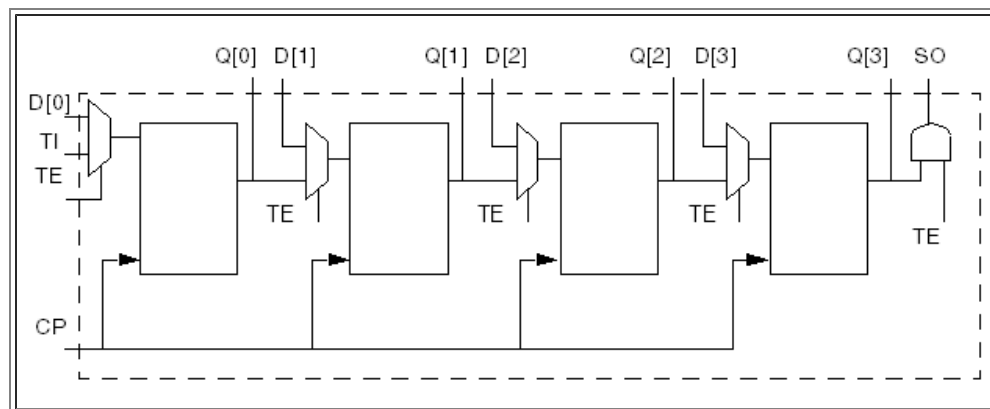
```

For a complete description of multibit scan cells, see [Example 8-5](#).

8.2.1 Describing a Multibit Scan Sequential-Elements Cell

A multibit scan sequential-elements cell is a multibit scan cell that has a single-bit output pin, in addition to the bus, or the bundle output pins. [Figure 8-4](#) shows an example schematic of a multibit scan sequential-elements cell. The cell is depicted within the dotted lines.

Figure 8-4 Multibit Scan Sequential-Elements Cell Schematic



The cell has the output bus Q[0-3], and a single-bit output pin (SO) with a combinational logic. The cell is defined by using the `statetable` and `state_function` attributes. The cell has two modes of operation, normal mode, and scan mode.

In normal mode, the cell is a shift register that uses the output bus Q[0-3].

In scan mode, the cell functions as a shift register with the single-bit output pin, SO. To use the multibit scan sequential-elements cell in scan mode, set the `signal_type` and `test_scan_out` attributes on the pin, SO. Do not define the `function` attribute of this pin.

[Example 8-3](#) models the multibit scan sequential-elements cell shown in [Figure 8-4](#).

Example 8-3 Example Model of the Multibit Scan Sequential-Elements Cell

```

cell () {
...
  statetable ( " D  CP  TE  TI " ,      "Q" ) {
    table :      " -  ~R  -  -  :  -  :  N,  \
                  H/L  R  L  -  :  -  :  H/L,  \
                  -  R  H  H/L  :  -  :  H/L" ;}

  bus(Q) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node: Q;
    bus_type : bus4;
    pin (Q[0]) { input_map : " D[0]  CP  TE  TI  "; }
    pin (Q[1]) { input_map : " D[1]  CP  TE  Q[0]  "; }
    pin (Q[2]) { input_map : " D[2]  CP  TE  Q[1]  "; }
    pin (Q[3]) { input_map : " D[3]  CP  TE  Q[2]  "; }
    ...
  }
  pin(SO) {
    direction : output;
    inverted_output : false;
    state_function : "Q[3] * TE" ;
    ...
  }
  pin(CP) {
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  pin(TE) {
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  pin(TI) {
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  bus(D) {
    direction : input;
    bus_type : bus4;
    ...
  }
  ...
  test_cell () {
    pin(CP){

```

```

        direction : input;
    }
    bus(D) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(TI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin(TE) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
    }
    ff_bank (IQ,IQN,4) {
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "CP";
    }
    bus(Q) {
        bus_type : bus4 ;
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ";
    }
    pin(SO) {
        direction : output;
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";
    }
}
}

```

8.3 Scan Cell Modeling Examples

This section contains modeling examples for these test cells:

- Simple multiplexed D flip-flop
- Multibit cells with multiplexed D flip-flop and enable
- LSSD (level-sensitive scan design) scan cell
- Clocked-scan test cell
- Scan D flip-flop with auxiliary clock

Each example contains a complete cell description.

8.3.1 Simple Multiplexed D Flip-Flop

[Example 8-4](#) shows how to model a simple multiplexed D flip-flop test cell.

Example 8-4 Simple Multiplexed D Flip-Flop Scan Cell

```

cell(SDFF1) {

```

```

area : 9;
pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {...}
}
pin(CP) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {...}
}
pin(TI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {...}
}
pin(TE) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
    timing() {...}
}
ff(IQ,IQN) {
/* model full behavior (if possible): */
next_state : "D TE' + TI TE ";
clocked_on : "CP";
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
    timing() {...}
}
pin(QN) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQN";
    timing() {...}
}
test_cell() {
pin(D) {
    direction : input
}
pin(CP){
    direction : input
}
pin(TI) {
    direction : input;
    signal_type : test_scan_in;
}
pin(TE) {
    direction : input;
    signal_type : test_scan_enable;
}
}

```

```

    }
    ff(IQ,IQN) {
        /* just model nontest operation behavior */
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "CP";
    }
    pin(Q) {
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ";
        signal_type : test_scan_out;
    }
    pin(QN) {
        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
        signal_type : test_scan_out_inverted;
    }
}
}
}

```

8.3.2 Multibit Cells With Multiplexed D Flip-Flop and Enable

[Example 8-5](#) contains a complete description of multibit scan cells.

Example 8-5 Multibit Scan Cells With Multiplexed D Flip-Flop and Enable

```

library(banktest) {
    ...
    default_inout_pin_cap      : 1.0;
    default_inout_pin_fall_res : 0.0;
    default_inout_pin_rise_res : 0.0;
    default_input_pin_cap     : 1.0;
    default_intrinsic_fall    : 1.0;
    default_intrinsic_rise    : 1.0;
    default_output_pin_cap    : 0.0;
    default_output_pin_fall_res : 0.0;
    default_output_pin_rise_res : 0.0;
    default_slope_fall        : 0.0;
    default_slope_rise        : 0.0;
    default_fanout_load       : 1.0;
    time_unit : "1ns";
    voltage_unit : "1V";
    current_unit : "1uA";
    pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
    capacitive_load_unit (0.1,ff);
    type (bus4) {
        base_type : array;
        data_type : bit;
        bit_width : 4;
        bit_from : 0;
    }
}

```



```

    bit_to    : 3;
}
cell(FDSX4) {
    area : 36;
    bus(D) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
        timing() {
            timing_type : setup_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
            related_pin : "CP";
        }
        timing() {
            timing_type : hold_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
            related_pin : "CP";
        }
    }
}
pin(CP) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
}
pin(TI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        related_pin : "CP";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "CP";
    }
}
pin(TE) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        related_pin : "CP";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "CP";
    }
}

```

```

}
statetable ( " D  CP  TI  TE  ", " Q  QN" ) {
    table : " - ~R  -  -      : -  - : N  N,
\
          -  R  H/L  H      : -  - : H/L  L/H,
\
          H/L  R  -  L      : -  - : H/L  L/H"
;
}
bus(Q) {
bus_type : bus4;
direction : output;
inverted_output : false;
internal_node : "Q";
timing() {
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.09; intrinsic_fall : 1.37;
    rise_resistance : 0.1458; fall_resistance : 0.0523;
    related_pin : "CP";
}
pin(Q[0]) {
    input_map : "D[0] CP TI  TE";
}
pin(Q[1]) {
    input_map : "D[1] CP Q[0] TE";
}
pin(Q[2]) {
    input_map : "D[2] CP Q[1] TE";
}
pin(Q[3]) {
    input_map : "D[3] CP Q[2] TE";
}
}
bus(QN) {
bus_type : bus4;
direction : output;
inverted_output : true;
internal_node : "QN";
timing() {
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.59; intrinsic_fall : 1.57;
    rise_resistance : 0.1458; fall_resistance : 0.0523;
    related_pin : "CP";
}
pin(QN[0]) {
    input_map : "D[0] CP TI  TE";
}
pin(QN[1]) {
    input_map : "D[1] CP Q[0] TE";
}
}

```

```

    pin(QN[2]) {
        input_map : "D[2] CP Q[1] TE";
    }
    pin(QN[3]) {
        input_map : "D[3] CP Q[2] TE";
    }
}
test_cell() {
    bus (D) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(CP) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(TI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin(TE) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
    }
    ff_bank("IQ","IQN", 4) {
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "CP";
    }
    bus(Q) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ";
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";
    }
    bus(QN) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
        signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
    }
}
}
cell(SCAN2) {
    area : 18;
    bundle(D) {
        members(D0, D1);
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
        timing() {
            timing_type : setup_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        }
    }
}

```

```

        related_pin : "T";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
}
pin(T) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
}
pin(EN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
}
pin(SI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
}
pin(SM) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2;
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3; intrinsic_fall : 1.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising;

```

```

        intrinsic_rise : 0.3; intrinsic_fall : 0.3;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
}
statetable ( " T D EN SI SM", " Q QN")
{
    table : " ~R - - - - : - - : N N ,
\
- - L - L : - - : N N ,
\
R H/L H - L : - - : H/L
L/H,\
R - - H/L H : - - : H/L
L/H";
}
bundle(Q) {
    members(Q0, Q1);
    direction : output;
    inverted_output : false;
    internal_node : "Q";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.09; intrinsic_fall : 1.37;
        rise_resistance : 0.1458; fall_resistance : 0.0523;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
    pin(Q0) {
        input_map : "T D0 EN SI SM";
    }
    pin(Q1) {
        input_map : "T D1 EN Q0 SM";
    }
}
bundle(QN) {
    members(Q0N, Q1N);
    direction : output;
    inverted_output : true;
    internal_node : "QN";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.59; intrinsic_fall : 1.57;
        rise_resistance : 0.1458; fall_resistance : 0.0523;
        related_pin : "T";
    }
    pin(Q0N) {
        input_map : "T D0 EN SI SM";
    }
    pin(Q1N) {
        input_map : "T D1 EN Q0 SM";
    }
}

```

```

}
test_cell() {
bundle (D) {
members(D0, D1);
direction : input;
}
pin(T) {
direction : input;
}
pin(EN) {
direction : input;
}
pin(SI) {
direction : input;
signal_type : "test_scan_in";
}
pin(SM) {
direction : input;
signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
}
ff_bank("IQ", "IQN", 2) {
next_state : "D";
clocked_on : "T EN";
}
bundle(Q) {
members(Q0, Q1);
direction : output;
function : "IQ";
signal_type : "test_scan_out";
}
bundle(QN) {
members(Q0N, Q1N);
direction : output;
function : "IQN";
signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
}
}
}

```

8.3.3 LSSD Scan Cell

[Example 8-6](#) shows how to model an LSSD element. For latch-based designs, this form of scan cell has two `test_cell` groups so that it can be used in either single-latch or double-latch mode.

Example 8-6 LSSD Scan Cell

```

cell(LSSD) {
area : 12;
pin(D) {

```

```

direction : input;
capacitance : 1;
timing() {
    timing_type : setup_falling;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    related_pin : "MCLK";
}
timing() {
    timing_type : hold_falling;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    related_pin : "MCLK";
}
}
pin(SI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    prefer_tied : "0";
    timing() {
        timing_type : setup_falling;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        related_pin : "ACLK";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_falling;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        related_pin : "ACLK";
    }
}
pin(MCLK, ACLK, SCLK) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
}
pin(Q1) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node : "Q1";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "MCLK";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    }
}

```

```

    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "ACLK";
}
timing() {
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "D";
}
timing() {
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "SI";
}
}
pin(Q1N) {
    direction : output;
    state_function : "Q1'";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "MCLK";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "ACLK";
    }
    timing() {
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "D";
    }
    timing() {
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;

```



```

        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "SI";
    }
}
pin(Q2) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node : "Q2";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "SCLK";
    }
}
pin(Q2N) {
    direction : output;
    state_function : "Q2'";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "SCLK";
    }
}
statetable("MCLK D  ACLK SCLK SI",          "Q1  Q2")
{
    table :  " L  -   L  -   - : -   - : N   - ,
\
           H  L/H  L  -   - : -   - : L/H  - ,
\
           L  -   H  -   L/H : -   - : L/H  - ,
\
           H  -   H  -   - : -   - : X   - ,
\
           -  -   -  L   - : -   - : -   N ,
\
           -  -   -  H   - : L/H - : -
L/H";
}
test_cell() { /* for DLATCH */
    pin(D,MCLK) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(SI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
}

```

```

}
pin(ACLK) {
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_a";
}
pin(SCLK) {
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_b";
}
latch ("IQ","IQN") {
    data_in : "D";
    enable : "MCLK";
}
pin(Q1) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
}
pin(Q1N) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQN";
}
pin(Q2) {
    direction : output;
    signal_type : "test_scan_out";
}
pin(Q2N) {
    direction : output;
    signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
}
}
test_cell() { /* for MSFF1 */
    pin(D,MCLK,SCLK) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(SI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin(ACLK) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_clock_a";
    }
    ff ("IQ","IQN") {
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "MCLK";
        clocked_on_also : "SCLK";
    }
    pin(Q1,Q1N) {
        direction : output;
    }
}

```

```

pin(Q2) {
  direction : output;
  function : "IQ";
  signal_type : "test_scan_out";
}
pin(Q2N) {
  direction : output;
  function : "IQN";
  signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
}
}
}

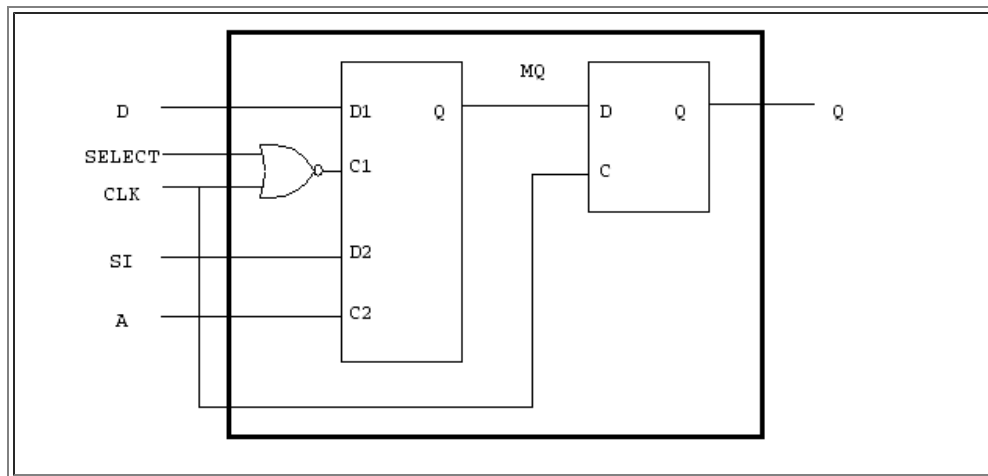
```

8.3.4 Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell

The scan-enabled LSSD cell is a variation of the LSSD scan cell in the double-latch mode. Unlike the double-latch LSSD scan cell, a single clock controls the enable pins of both the master and slave latches of the scan-enabled LSSD cell.

To recognize the scan-cell type, is used the `signal_type` attribute. If all the values of the `signal_type` attribute, namely, `test_scan_clock_a`, `test_scan_clock_b`, and `test_scan_enable` are present on the pins of a test cell, the corresponding scan cell is recognized as a scan-enabled LSSD. [Figure 8-5](#) shows the schematic of the scan-enabled LSSD cell.

Figure 8-5 Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell Schematic



Functional Model of the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell

To model the cell shown in [Figure 8-5](#), define the `signal_type` attribute on the pins of the `test_cell` group, such as the pins, `CLK` and `SELECT`. [Example 8-7](#) shows the syntax to define the `signal_type` attribute on the `CLK` pin. When you set the `signal_type` attribute on the clock pin, `CLK`, to `test_scan_clock_b`, it indicates that the `CLK` input also enables the slave-latch in addition to the master-latch of the scan-enabled LSSD cell. In [Figure 8-5](#), the clock pin, `CLK`, controls both enable pins, `C1` and `C`.

Example 8-7 The signal_type attribute on the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell CLK pin

```
cell(cell_name) {  
  ...  
  test_cell() {  
    ...  
    pin (pin_name) {  
      direction : input;  
      signal_type : "test_scan_clock_b";  
      ...  
    }/* End pin group */  
  }/* End test_cell */  
  ...  
}
```

[Example 8-8](#) shows the syntax to define the `signal_type` attribute on the select pin, SELECT. When you set the `signal_type` attribute on the select pin, SELECT, to `test_scan_enable`, the SELECT input is active and enables the scan mode of the LSSD cell. When the SELECT input is inactive, the cell is in the normal mode.

Example 8-8 The signal_type attribute on the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell SELECT pin

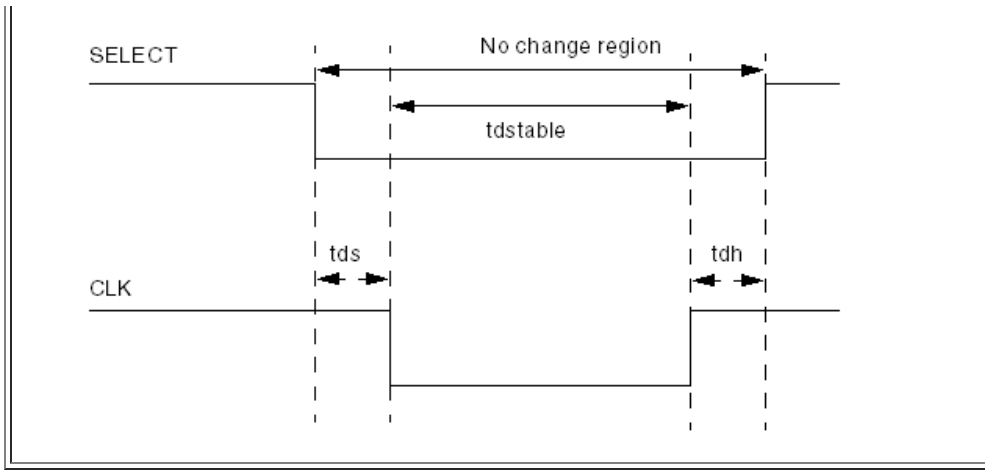
```
cell(cell_name) {  
  ...  
  test_cell() {  
    ...  
    pin (pin_name) {  
      direction : input;  
      signal_type : "test_scan_enable";  
      ...  
    }/* End pin group */  
  }/* End test_cell */  
  ...  
}
```

Timing Model of the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell

[Figure 8-6](#) shows a timing arc constraint, from the clock pin, CLK, to the select pin, SELECT, of the scan-enabled LSSD cell. In the normal mode, the constraint ensures that the CLK input works correctly for the duration of the CLK pulse. Therefore, the SELECT input must be stable for the setup period before the CLK pulse (tds), when the CLK pulse is active (tdstable), and the hold period after (tdh) the CLK pulse.

[Example 8-9](#) shows the syntax to model the timing arc, from the clock pin, CLK, to the select pin, SELECT. Timing arcs are modeled by setting the `timing_type` attribute to nochange values. As the CLK pin is active-low, set the `timing_type` attribute on the select pin, SELECT, to `nochange_low_low`.

Figure 8-6 A Timing-Arc Constraint of the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell



Example 8-9 Scan-Enabled LSSD Timing Model Syntax

```

cell(cell_name) {
  ...
  pin (SELECT) {
    direction : input;
    timing() {
      timing_type: "nochange_low_low" ;
      related_pin: "CLK" ;
      fall_constraint(constraint) { /* tds */
    ...
  }
      rise_constraint(constraint) { /* tdh */
    ...
  }
    }
    ...
  }/* End pin group */
  ...
}

```

Note:

Do not use the `hold_rising` (`tds`) and `setup_falling` (`tdh`) values to model, the clock pin, CLK, to the select pin, SELECT, timing arc. These values of the `timing_type` attribute do not cover the stable region of the SELECT input (`tdstable`).

Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell Model Example

[Example 8-10](#) uses the syntax in [Example 8-7](#), [Example 8-8](#), and [Example 8-9](#) to model the scan-enabled LSSD cell shown in [Figure 8-5](#).

Example 8-10 Example for the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell Syntax

```

Cell(scan_enabled_LSSD) {

```

```

...
statetable ("CLK D SELECT A SI", "MQ Q") {
table : " L L/H L L - : - - : H/L -, \
        H - - L - : - - : N -, \
        L - H L - : - - : N -, \
          L - L H - : - - : X -
, \
        H - L H L/H : - - : L/H -, \
        - - H H L/H : - - : L/H -, \
          L - - - - : - - : -
N, \
        H - - - - : L/H - : - L/H";
}
pin (CLK) {
direction : input ;
timing() {
timing_type: "min_pulse_width" ;
related_pin: "CLK" ;
...
}
}
pin (D) {
direction : input ;
timing() {
timing_type: "hold_rising" ;
related_pin: "CLK" ;
...
}
timing() {
timing_type: "setup_rising" ;
related_pin: "CLK" ;
...
}
}
pin (SELECT) {
direction : input;
timing() {
timing_type: "nochange_low_low" ;
related_pin: "CLK" ;
...
}
}
pin (SI) {
direction : input;
timing() {
timing_type: "setup_falling" ;
related_pin: "A" ;
...
}
timing() {

```

```

        timing_type: "hold_falling" ;
        related_pin: "A"
        ...
    }
}
pin (MQ) {
    direction : "internal";
    internal_node : "MQ";
}
pin (Q) {
    direction : output ;
    internal_node: "Q" ;
    timing() {
        timing_type: "rising_edge" ;
        related_pin: "CLK" ;
        ...
    }
}
...
test_cell () {
pin (CLK) {
    direction : input ;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_b";
}
pin (D) {
    direction : input ;
}
pin (A) {
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_a";
}
pin ("SELECT") {
    direction : input ;
    signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
}
pin (SI) {
    direction : input ;
    signal_type : "test_scan_in";
}
pin (Q) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQ";
    signal_type : "test_scan_out";
}
ff (IQ,IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CLK" ;
}
}
...

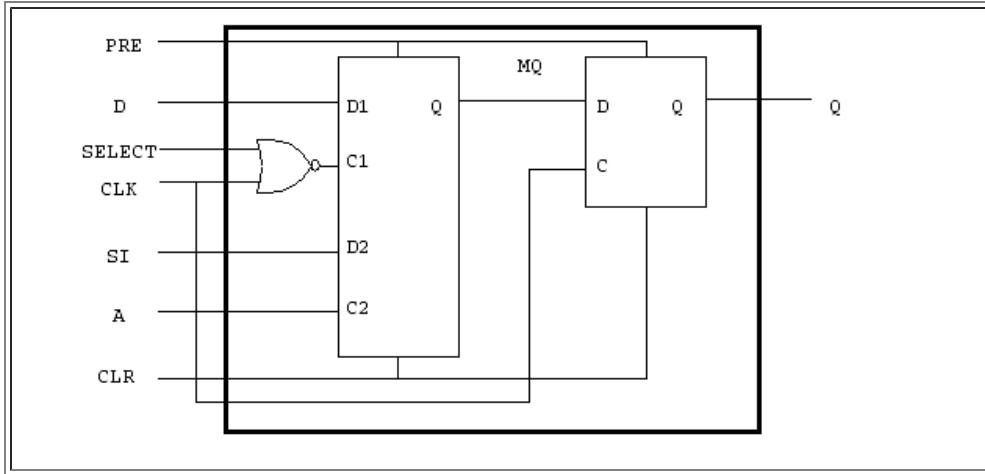
```

}

Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell With Asynchronous Inputs

Figure 8-7 shows the schematic of a scan-enabled LSSD cell with asynchronous input preset, PRE, and clear, CLR pins. Example 8-11 shows the modeling syntax for the scan-enabled LSSD cell with the preset, PRE and clear, CLR, input pins.

Figure 8-7 Schematic of a Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell With Asynchronous Inputs



Example 8-11 Modeling Syntax for the Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell With Preset and Clear Inputs

```

cell(LSSD_with_clear_preset) {
...
statetable (" CLK D SELECT A SI CLR PRE", "MQ Q")
{
table : "
L L/H L L - L L : - - : H/L
-, \
H - - L - L L : - - : N
-, \
L - H L - L L : - - : N
-, \
L - L H - L L : - - : X
-, \
H - L H L/H L L : - - : L/H
-, \
- - H H L/H L L : - - : L/H
-, \
L - - - - - L L : - - : -
N, \
H - - - - L L : L/H - : -
L/H, \
- - - - H L : - - : L
L, \
- - - - L H : - - : H

```



```

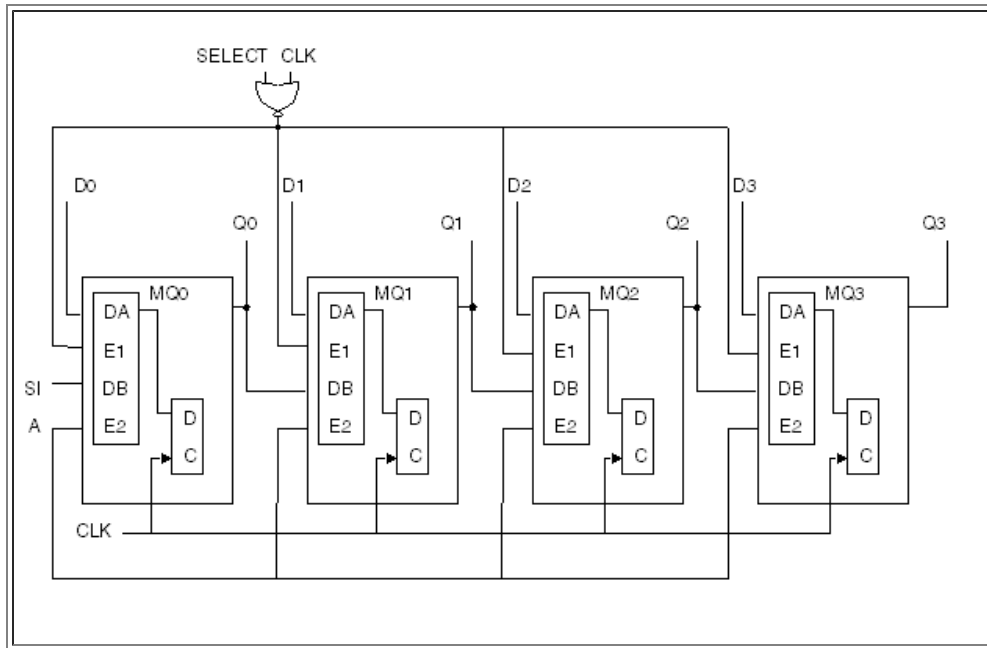
H,\
- - - - - H H : - - : L
L";
}
...
test_cell () {
    pin (CLK) {
        direction : input ;
        signal_type : "test_scan_clock_b";
    }
    pin (D) {
        direction : input ;
    }
    pin (CLR) {
        direction : input ;
    }
    pin (PRE) {
        direction : input ;
    }
    pin (A) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_clock_a";
    }
    pin ("SELECT") {
        direction : input ;
        signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
    }
    pin (SI) {
        direction : input ;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin (Q) {
        direction : output ;
        function : "IQ";
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";
    }
    ff (IQ,IQN) {
        next_state : "D" ;
        clocked_on : "CLK" ;
        clear : "CLR" ;
        preset : "PRE" ;
        clear_preset_var1 : L ;
        clear_preset_var2 : L ;
    }
}
...
}

```

Multibit Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell

Figure 8-8 shows the schematic of a 4-bit scan-enabled LSSD cell. Example 8-12 shows the modeling syntax for the 4-bit scan-enabled LSSD cell.

Figure 8-8 Schematic of a Four-Bit Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell



Example 8-12 Four-Bit Scan-Enabled LSSD Cell Modeling Syntax

```

cell(LSSD_multibit) {
...
statetable (" CLK  D  SELECT  A    SI",      "MQ  Q")
{
table : "      L      L/H L      L      -      :  -      -      : H/L  -
,\
      H      -      -      L      -      :  -      -      : N      -, \
      L      -      H      L      -      :  -      -      : N      -, \
              L      -      L      H      -      :  -      -      : X
-, \
      H      -      L      H      L/H :  -      -      : L/H  -, \
      -      -      H      H      L/H :  -      -      : L/H  -, \
              L      -      -      -      -      :  -      -      : -
N, \
      H      -      -      -      -      :  L/H  -      :  -
L/H";
}
bus(MQ) {
direction : internal;
internal_node: MQ;
bus_type : bus4;
pin (MQ[0]) { input_map : "CLK          D[0]      SELECT  A    SI";
}
pin (MQ[1]) { input_map : "CLK          D[1]      SELECT  A    Q[0]";
}
}

```

```

    pin (MQ[2]) { input_map : "CLK          D[2]      SELECT      A      Q[1]";
}
    pin (MQ[3]) { input_map : "CLK          D[3]      SELECT      A      Q[2]";
}
...
}
bus(Q) {
    direction : output;
    internal_node: Q;
    bus_type : bus4;
    pin (Q[0]) { input_map : "CLK          D[0]      SELECT      A      SI          MQ[0]";
}
    pin (Q[1]) { input_map : "CLK          D[1]      SELECT      A      Q[0]      MQ[1]";
}
    pin (Q[2]) { input_map : "CLK          D[2]      SELECT      A      Q[1]      MQ[2]";
}
    pin (Q[3]) { input_map : "CLK          D[3]      SELECT      A      Q[2]      MQ[3]";
}
...
}
...
test_cell() {
    bus(D) {
        bus_type : bus4;
        direction : input; }
    pin(CLK) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : test_scan_clock_b; }
    pin(SI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : test_scan_in; }
    pin(A) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : test_scan_clock_a; }
    pin(SELECT) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : test_scan_enable; }
    ff_bank(IQ,IQN,4) {
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "CLK";
    }
    bus(Q) {
        direction : output;
        bus_type : bus4;
        function : "IQ"; }
    pin(SO) {
        direction : output;
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";}
} /* End of test_cell */
...

```

```
}
```

8.3.5 Clocked-Scan Test Cell

[Example 8-13](#) shows the model of a level-sensitive latch with separate scan clocking. This example shows the scan cell used in clocked-scan implementation.

Example 8-13 Clocked-Scan Test Cell

```
cell(SC_DLATCH) {
  area : 12;
  pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {
      timing_type : setup_falling;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "G";
    }
    timing() {
      timing_type : hold_falling;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "G";
    }
  }
  pin(SI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    prefer_tied : "0";
    timing() {
      timing_type : setup_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "ScanClock";
    }
    timing() {
      timing_type : hold_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "ScanClock";
    }
  }
  pin(G,ScanClock) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  statetable( "D SI G ScanClock", " Q QN" ) {
```

```

table :   "L/H  -   H   L   : -   -   : L/H   H/L,\
          -   L/H  L    R   : -   -   : L/H   H/L,\
          -   -   L    ~R  : -   -   : N     N";
}
pin(Q) {
  direction : output;
  internal_node : "Q";
  timing() {
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "G";
  }
  timing() {
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "D";
  }
  timing() {
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "ScanClock";
  }
}
pin(QN) {
  direction : output;
  internal_node : "QN";
  timing() {
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "G";
  }
  timing() {
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
    rise_resistance : 0.1;
    fall_resistance : 0.1;
    related_pin : "D";
  }
  timing() {

```

```

        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "ScanClock";
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "ScanClock";
    }
}
test_cell() {
    pin(D,G) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(SI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin(ScanClock) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_clock";
    }
    pin(SE) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
    }
    latch ("IQ","IQN") {
        data_in : "D";
        enable : "G";
    }
    pin(Q) {
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ";
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";
    }
    pin(QN) {
        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
        signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
    }
}
}

```

8.3.6 Scan D Flip-Flop With Auxiliary Clock

[Example 8-14](#) shows how to model a scan D flip-flop with one input and an auxiliary clock.

Example 8-14 Scan D Flip-Flop With Auxiliary Clock

```
cell(AUX_DFF1) {
  area : 12;
  pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    timing() {
      timing_type : setup_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "CK";
    }
    timing() {
      timing_type : hold_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "CK";
    }
    timing() {
      timing_type : setup_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "IH";
    }
    timing() {
      timing_type : hold_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "IH";
    }
  }
  pin(CK,IH,A,B) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  pin(SI) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
    prefer_tied : "0";
    timing() {
      timing_type : setup_falling;
      intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
      intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
      related_pin : "A";
    }
    timing() {
```

```

        timing_type : hold_falling;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        related_pin : "A";
    }
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output;
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "CK IH";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "B";
    }
}
pin(QN) {
    direction : output;
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "CK IH";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0;
        rise_resistance : 0.1;
        fall_resistance : 0.1;
        related_pin : "B";
    }
}
statetable( "C TC D A B SI", "IQ1 IQ2" ) {
    table : "\
/* C TC D          A B SI          IQ1 IQ2 */ \
H - - L - - : - - : N -
, /* mast hold */\
- H - L - - : - - : N -

```



```

, /* mast hold */\
  H - - H - L/H : - - : L/H -
, /* scan mast */\
  - H - H - L/H : - - : L/H -
, /* scan mast */\
  L L L/H L - - : - - : L/H -
, /* D in mast */\
  L L - H - - : - - : X -
, /* both active */\
  H - - - L - : L/H - : - L/H, /* slave loads
*/\
  - H - - L - : L/H - : - L/H, /* slave loads
*/\
  L L - - - - : - - : - N, /* slave loads
*/\
  - - - - H - : - - : - N"; /* slave loads
*/
}
test_cell(){
  pin(D,CK){
    direction : input
  }
  pin(IH){
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_clock";
  }
  pin(SI){
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_in";
  }
  pin(A){
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_a";
  }
  pin(B){
    direction : input;
    signal_type : "test_scan_clock_b";
  }
  ff ("IQ","IQN"){
    next_state : "D";
    clocked_on : "CK";
  }
  pin(Q){
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
    signal_type : "test_scan_out";
  }
  pin(QB){
    direction : output;
    function : "IQN";
    signal_type : "test_scan_out_inverted";
  }
}

```

```
}  
}  
}
```

9. Modeling Power and Electromigration

This chapter provides an overview of modeling static and dynamic power for CMOS technology.

To model CMOS static and dynamic power, you must understand the topics covered in the following sections:

- [Modeling Power Terminology](#)
- [Switching Activity](#)
- [Modeling for Leakage Power](#)
- [Representing Leakage Power Information](#)
- [Threshold Voltage Modeling](#)
- [Modeling for Internal and Switching Power](#)
- [Representing Internal Power Information](#)
- [Defining Internal Power Groups](#)
- [Modeling Libraries With Integrated Clock-Gating Cells](#)
- [Modeling Electromigration](#)
- [Power Modeling for Complex Macro Blocks](#)

9.1 Modeling Power Terminology

The power a circuit dissipates falls into two broad categories:

- Static power
- Dynamic power

9.1.1 Static Power

Static power is the power dissipated by a gate when it is not switching—that is, when it is inactive or static.

Static power is dissipated in several ways. The largest percentage of static power results from source-to-drain subthreshold leakage. This leakage is caused by reduced threshold voltages that prevent the gate from turning off completely. Static power also results when current leaks between the diffusion layers and substrate. For this reason, static power is often called *leakage power*.

9.1.2 Dynamic Power

Dynamic power is the power dissipated when a circuit is active. A circuit is active anytime the voltage on a net changes due to some stimulus applied to the circuit. Because voltage on a net can change without necessarily resulting in a logic transition, dynamic power can result even when a net does not change its logic state.

The dynamic power of a circuit is composed of

- Internal power

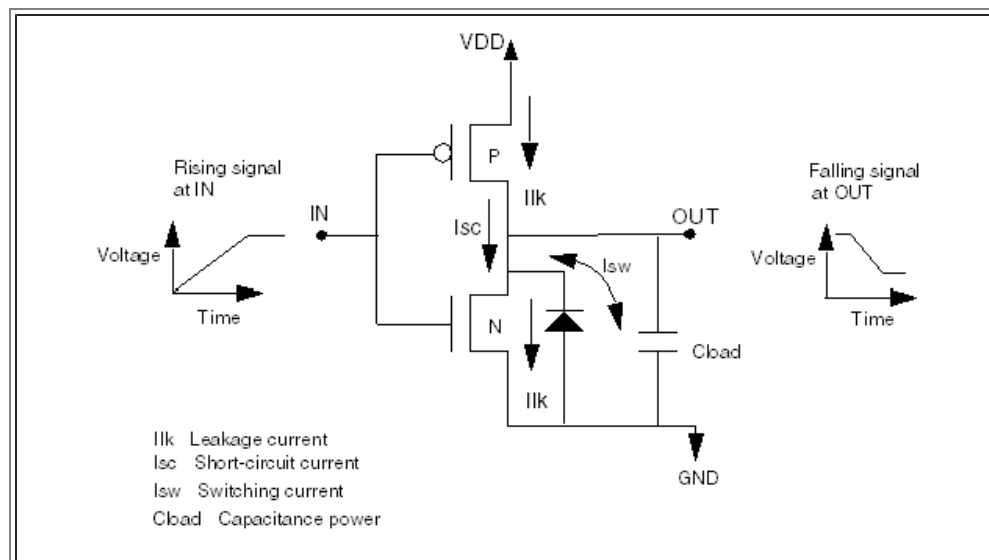
- Switching power

Internal Power

During switching, a circuit dissipates internal power by the charging or discharging of any existing capacitances internal to the cell. The definition of internal power includes power dissipated by a momentary short circuit between the P and N transistors of a gate, called short-circuit power.

[Figure 9-1](#) illustrates components of power dissipation and shows the cause of short-circuit power. In this figure, there is a slow rising signal at the gate input IN. As the signal makes a transition from low to high, the N-type transistor turns on and the P-type transistor turns off. However, during signal transition, both the P- and N-type transistors can be on simultaneously for a short time. During this time, current flows from VDD to GND, resulting in short-circuit power.

Figure 9-1 Components of Power Dissipation



Short-circuit power varies according to the circuit. For circuits with fast transition times, the amount of short-circuit power can be small. For circuits with slow transition times, short-circuit power can account for up to 30 percent of the total power dissipated. Short-circuit power is also affected by the dimensions of the transistors and the load capacitance at the output of the gate.

In most simple library cells, internal power is due primarily to short-circuit power. For this reason, the terms *internal power* and *short-circuit power* are often considered synonymous.

Note:

A transition implies either a rising or a falling signal; therefore, if the power characterization involves running a full-cycle simulation, which includes both rising and falling signals, then you must average the energy dissipation measurement by dividing by 2.

Switching Power

The switching power, or capacitance power, of a driving cell is the power dissipated by the charging and discharging of the load capacitance at the output of the cell. The total load capacitance at the output of a driving cell is the sum of the net and gate capacitances on the driver.

Because such charging and discharging is the result of the logic transitions at the output of the cell, switching power increases as logic transitions increase. The switching power of a cell is the function of both the total load capacitance at the cell output and the rate of logic transitions.

[Figure 9-1](#) shows how the capacitance (C_{load}) is charged and discharged as the N or P transistor turns on. Switching power accounts for 70 to 90 percent of the power dissipation of an active CMOS circuit.

9.2 Switching Activity

Switching activity is a metric used to measure the number of transitions (0-to-1 and 1-to-0) for every net in a circuit when input stimuli are applied. Switching activity is the average activity of the circuit with a set of input stimuli.

A circuit with higher switching activity is likely to dissipate more power than a circuit with lower switching activity.

9.3 Modeling for Leakage Power

Regardless of the physical reasons for leakage power, library developers can annotate gates with the approximate total leakage power dissipated by the gate.

9.4 Representing Leakage Power Information

The Liberty syntax lets you represent leakage power information in the library as:

- Cell-level state-independent leakage power with the `cell_leakage_power` attribute
- Cell-level state-dependent leakage power with the `leakage_power` group
- The associated library-level attributes that specify scaling factors, units, and a default value for both leakage and power density

9.4.1 `cell_leakage_power` Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the leakage power of a cell. If this attribute is missing or negative, the value of the `default_cell_leakage_power` attribute is used.

Syntax

```
cell_leakage_power : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number indicating the leakage power of the cell.

Syntax

```
cell_leakage_power : value ;
```

Note:

You must define this attribute for cells with state-dependent leakage power to provide the leakage power value for those states where the state-specific leakage power has not been specified using the `leakage_power` group.

9.4.2 Using the `leakage_power` Group for a Single Value

This group specifies the leakage power of a cell when the leakage power depends on the logical condition of that cell. This type of leakage power is called state-dependent. To model state-dependent leakage power, use the following attributes:

- `mode`
- `when`
- `value`

Syntax

```
leakage_power ( ) {  
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);  
    when : "Boolean expression";  
    value: float;  
}
```

mode Complex Attribute

You define the `mode` attribute within a `leakage_power` group. A `mode` attribute pertains to an individual cell. The cell is active when `mode` is instantiated with a name and a value. You can specify multiple instances of the `mode` attribute but only one instance for each cell.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_definition_name, mode_value);
```

Example

```
cell (my_cell) {  
    mode_definition (mode_definition_name) {  
        mode_value(namestring) {  
            when : "boolean expression";  
            sdf_cond : "boolean expression";  
        } ...  
        ...  
        leakage_power (namestring) {  
            mode (mode_name, mode_value);  
            /*when : "boolean expression";*/  
            value : float;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```

    ...
    }/* end leakage_power() */
    leakage_current() { /* without the when statement
*/
        /* default state */
        ...
    }
}/* end pin B */
}/* end cell */

```

[Example 9-1](#) shows a mode instance description.

Example 9-1 A mode Instance Description

```

library (my_library) {
    technology ( cmos ) ;
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
    cell(inv0d0) {
        area : 0.75;
        mode_definition(rw) {

            mode_value(read) {
                when : "I";
                sdf_cond : "I == 1";
            }
            mode_value(write) {
                when : "!I";
                sdf_cond : "I == 0";
            }
        }
        leakage_power () {
            mode(rw, read);
            value : 2;
        }
        leakage_power () {
            mode(rw, write);
            value : 2.2;
        }
        pin(I) {
            direction : input;
            max_transition : 2100.0;
            capacitance : 0.002000;
            fanout_load : 1;
            ...
        }
        ...
    } /* cell(inv0d0) */
} /* library

```

when Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the state-dependent condition that determines whether the leakage power is accessed.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression";
```

Boolean expression

The name or names of pins, buses, and bundles with their corresponding Boolean operators. [Table 9-1](#) lists valid operators.

Table 9-1 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	invert previous expression
!	invert following expression
^	logical XOR
*	logical AND
&	logical AND
space	logical AND
+	logical OR
	logical OR
1	signal tied to logic 1
0	signal tied to logic 0

The order of precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

You must define mutually exclusive conditions for state-dependent leakage power and internal power. Mutually exclusive means that only one condition defined in the `when` attribute can be met at any given time.

You can reference buses and bundles in the `when` attribute in the `leakage_power` group, as shown here:

Syntax

```
when : "bus_name";
```

Example


```

cell (Z) {
    ...
    leakage_power () {
        when : "A";
        ...
    }
}

```

value Simple Attribute

The value attribute represents the leakage power for a given state of a cell. The value for this attribute is a floating-point number.

Syntax

```
value : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the leakage power value.

The following example defines the `leakage_power` group and the `cell_leakage_power` simple attribute in a cell:

Example

```

cell (my cell) {
    ...
    leakage_power () {
        when : "! A";
        value : 2.0;
    }
    cell_leakage_power : 3.0;
}

```

9.4.3 Using the leakage_power Group for a Polynomial

You can represent leakage power information in a library by specifying a scalable polynomial power template group (`power_poly_template` group) or a scalable polynomial power group (`power` group) within a `leakage_power` group.

The Liberty syntax lets you use either polynomial equations or single float values to model leakage power. Polynomial-based leakage power modeling includes variables for supply voltage, temperature, and state dependency.

The Liberty syntax for modeling power is shown as follows:

Syntax

```

library (poly_sample) {
    delay_model : polynomial ; /* polynomial template */

    power_supply () {
        ...
    } /* end power_supply */
    power_poly_template(poly_template_name_id) {
        variables (variable_1, variable_2, ..., variable_n)
;
        variable_1_range (min_float, max_float) ;
        variable_2_range (min_float, max_float) ;
        ...
        variable_n_range (min_float, max_float) ;
        mapping (voltage1, power_rail_name_id) ;
        mapping (voltage2, power_rail_name_id) ;
        domain (domain_name_id) {
            variables (variable_1, variable_2, ..., variable_n)
;
            variable_1_range (min_float, max_float) ;
            variable_2_range (min_float, max_float) ;
            ...
            variable_n_range (min_float, max_float) ;
            mapping (voltage1, power_rail_name_id) ;
            mapping (voltage2, power_rail_name_id) ;
        } /* end power_poly_template */
        ...
    }
    cell(name) {
        leakage_power() {
            when : "Boolean expression" ;
            power(poly_template_name_id) {
                /* variable ranges are optional for overwriting
*/
                variable_1_range (min_float, max_float) ;

                variable_2_range (min_float, max_float)
;
                .....
                variable_n_range (min_float, max_float)
;
                orders ("int , ..., int") ;
                coefs("float, ..., float") ;
                ...
            }
        }
    }
    cell(name) {
        /* piecewise polynomial */
        leakage_power() {

```

```

when : "Boolean expression" ;
power(poly_template_name_id) {
    domain (domain_name_id) {
        /* variable ranges are optional for overwriting
*/
        variable_1_range (min_float, max_float) ;

        variable_2_range (min_float, max_float)

;
        ...
        variable_n_range (min_float, max_float)

;
        orders ("int , ..., int") ;
        coefs ("float, ..., float") ;
    } /* end power */
...
} /* end leakage_power */

} / end cell */
} /* end library */

```

Specifying power in a leakage_power Group

The `power` group is defined within a `leakage_power` group in a `cell` group at the library level, as shown here:

```

library (name) {
    cell (name) {
        leakage_power () {
            power (template name) {
                ... power template description ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

orders ("integer, ..., integer")
coefs ("float, ..., float")

```

Group

domain

orders Attribute

This attribute specifies the orders of the variables for the polynomial.

coefs Attribute

This attribute specifies the coefficients used in the polynomial used to characterize power information.

domain Group

```
leakage_power () {  
    power (template name) {  
        ... power template description ...  
        domain() {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

9.4.4 leakage_power_unit Simple Attribute

This attribute indicates the units of the leakage-power values in the library. [Table 9-2](#) shows the possible unit values you can enter and their corresponding mathematical symbol equivalent.

Syntax

leakage_power_unit : *value*_{enum} ;

value

Valid values are 1mW, 100μW, 10μW, 1μW, 100nW, 10nW, 1nW, 100pW, 10pW, and 1pW.

Table 9-2 Valid Unit Values and Mathematical Equivalents

Text entry	Mathematical equivalent
1mW	1mW
100uW	100 micro W
10uW	10 micro W
1uW	1 micro W
100nW	100nW
10nW	10nW
1nW	1nW
100pW	100pW
10pW	10pW

1pW	1pW
-----	-----

Example

```
leakage_power_unit : 100uW;
```

9.4.5 default_cell_leakage_power Simple Attribute

The `default_cell_leakage_power` attribute indicates the default leakage power for those cells for which you have not set the `cell_leakage_power` attribute. This attribute must be a nonnegative floating-point number. The default is 0.0.

Syntax

```
default_cell_leakage_power : value ;
```

value

A nonnegative floating-point number.

Example

```
default_cell_leakage_power : 0.5;
```

9.4.6 Environmental Derating Factors Attributes

Use the following simple attributes to specify the environmental derating factors (voltage, temperature, and process) for the `cell_leakage_power` attribute.

- `k_volt_cell_leakage_power`
- `k_temp_cell_leakage_power`
- `k_process_cell_leakage_power`

The range for these scaling factors is -100.0 to 100.0 . The default is 0.

Example

```
library(power_sample) {
    leakage_power_unit : 1nW;
    default_cell_leakage_power : 0.1;
    default_leakage_power_density : 0.5;
    k_volt_cell_leakage_power : 0.000000;
    k_temp_cell_leakage_power : 0.000000;
    k_process_cell_leakage_power : 0.000000;
    ...
    cell(AN2) {
        ...
        cell_leakage_power : 0.2;
    }
}
```

```

...
leakage_power () {
    when : "A" ;
    value : 2.0 ;
}
}
}

```

9.5 Threshold Voltage Modeling

Multiple threshold power saving flows require library cells to be categorized according to the transistor's threshold voltage characteristics, such as high threshold voltage cells and low threshold voltage cells. High threshold voltage cells exhibit lower power leakage but run slower than low threshold voltage cells.

You can specify low threshold voltage cells and high threshold voltage cells in the same library, simplifying library management and setup, by using the following optional attributes:

- default_threshold_voltage_group**
 Specify the `default_threshold_voltage_group` attribute at the library level, as shown, to specify a cell's category based on its threshold voltage characteristics:
`default_threshold_voltage_group : group_nameid ;`
 The `group_name` value is a string representing the name of the category, such as `high_vt_cell` to represent a high voltage cell.
- threshold_voltage_group**
 Specify the `threshold_voltage_group` attribute at the cell level, as shown, to specify a cell's category based on its threshold voltage characteristics:
`threshold_voltage_group : group_nameid ;`
 The `group_name` value is a string representing the name of the category. Typically, you would specify a pair of `threshold_voltage_group` attributes, one representing the high voltage and one representing the low voltage. However, there is no limit to the number of `threshold_voltage_group` attributes you can have in a library. If you omit this attribute, the value of the `default_threshold_voltage_group` attribute is applied to the cell.

Example

```

library ( mixed_vt_lib ) {
...
default_threshold_voltage_group : "high_vt_cell" ;
...
cell(ht_cell) {
    threshold_voltage_group : "high_vt_cell" ;
    ...
}
cell(lt_cell) {
    threshold_voltage_group : "low_vt_cell" ;
    ...
}
}

```

}

9.6 Modeling for Internal and Switching Power

These are two compatible definitions of internal or short-circuit power:

- Short-circuit power is the power dissipated by the instantaneous short-circuit connection between Vdd and GND while the gate is in transition.
- Internal power is all the power dissipated within the boundary of the gate. This definition does not distinguish between the cell's short-circuit power and the component of switching power that is being dissipated internally to the cell as a result of the drain-to-substrate capacitance that is being charged and discharged. In this definition, the interconnect switching power is the power dissipated because of lumped wire capacitance and input pin capacitances but not because of the output pin capacitance.

Library developers must choose one of these definitions and specify internal power and capacitance numbers accordingly. Library developers can choose

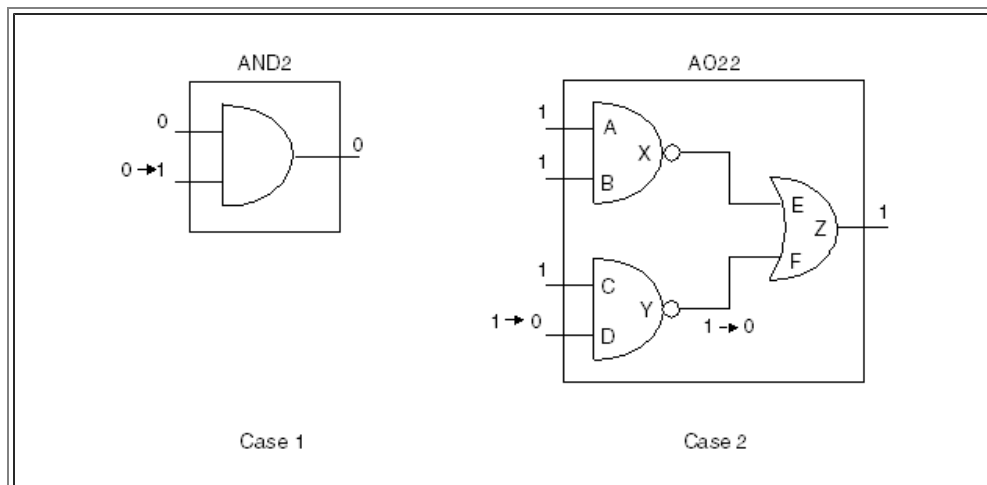
- To include the effect of the output capacitance in the `internal_power` attribute, which gives the output pins zero capacitance
- To give the output pins a real capacitance, which causes them to be included in the switching power, and model only short-circuit power as the cell's internal power

Together, internal power and switching power contribute to the total dynamic power dissipation. Like switching power, internal power is dissipated whenever an output pin makes a transition.

Some power is dissipated as a result of internal transitions that do not cause output transitions. However, those are relatively minor in comparison (they consume much less power) and should be ignored.

[Figure 9-2](#) shows two examples of an input transition that does not cause a corresponding output transition.

Figure 9-2 Complex Gate Example



In Case 1, input B of the AND2 gate undergoes a 0-to-1 transition but the output

remains stable at 0. This might consume a small amount of power as one of the N-transistors opens, but the current flow is very small.

In Case 2, input D of the multilevel gate AO22 undergoes a 1-to-0 transition, causing a 1-to-0 transition at internal pin Y. However, output Z remains stable at 1. The significance of the power dissipation in this case depends on the load of the internal wire connected to Y. In Case 1, power dissipation is negligible, but in Case 2, power dissipation might result in some inaccuracy.

You can set the `internal_power` group attribute so that multiple input or output pins that share logic can transition together within the same time period.

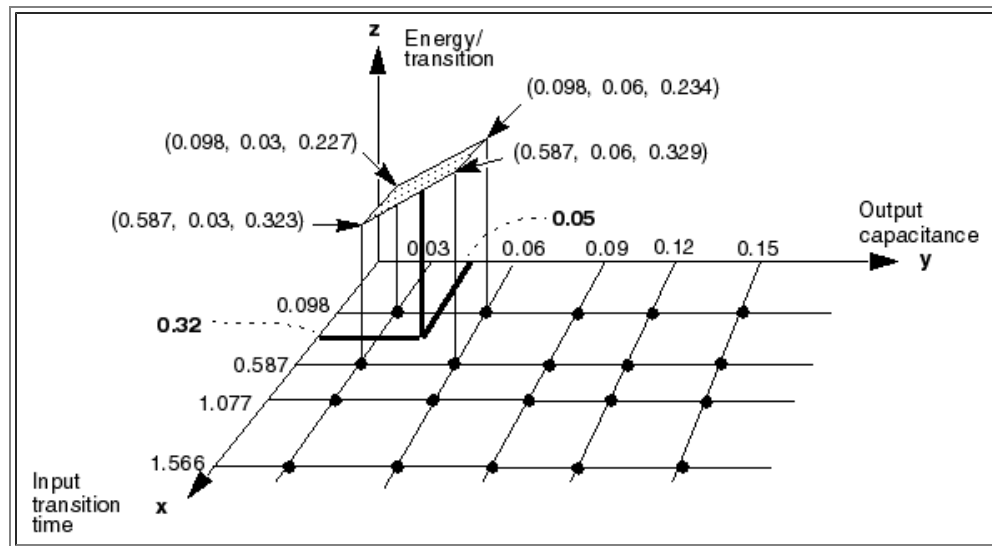
Pins transitioning within the same time period can lower the level of power consumption.

9.6.1 Modeling Internal Power Lookup Tables

The `library` group supports a one-, two-, or three-dimensional `internal_power` lookup table indexed by the total output load capacitances (best model), the input transition time, or both. The internal power lookup table uses the same syntax as the nonlinear lookup table for delay.

[Figure 9-3](#) is an example of the two-dimensional lookup table for modeling output pin power in a cell.

Figure 9-3 Internal Power Table for Cell Output



9.7 Representing Internal Power Information

You can describe power dissipation in your libraries by using lookup tables or scalable polynomials.

9.7.1 Specifying the Power Model

Use the library level `power_model` attribute to specify the power model for your library. The two valid values are `table_lookup` and `polynomial`. If you do not specify a power model, `table_lookup` is assumed..

9.7.2 Using Lookup Table Templates

To represent internal power, you can create templates of common information that multiple lookup tables can use. Use the following groups and attributes to define your lookup tables:

- The library-level `power_lut_template` group
- The `internal_power` group (see [“Defining Internal Power Groups”](#))
- The associated library-level attributes that specify the scaling factors and a default value

`power_lut_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple lookup tables can use. A table template specifies the table parameters and the breakpoints for each axis. Assign each template a name. Make the template name the group name of a `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group in the `internal_power` group.

Syntax

```
power_lut_template(name)
{
  variable_1 : string ;
  variable_2 : string ;
  variable_3 : string ;
  index_1("float, ... , float") ;
  index_2("float, ... , float") ;
  index_3("float, ... , float") ;
}
```

Template Variables

The lookup table template for specifying power uses three associated variables to characterize cells in the library for internal power:

- `variable_1`, which specifies the first dimensional variable
- `variable_2`, which specifies the second dimensional variable
- `variable_3`, which specifies the third dimensional variable

These variables indicate the parameters used to index into the lookup table along the first, second, and third table axes.

Following are valid values for `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`:

total_output_net_capacitance

The loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `pin` group that contains the `internal_power` group.

equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance

The loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `equal_or_opposite_output` attribute in the

internal_power group.

input_transition_time

The input transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` attribute in the `internal_power` group.

For information about the `related_pin` attribute, see [“Defining Internal Power Groups”](#).

Template Breakpoints

The index statements define the breakpoints for an axis. The breakpoints defined by `index_1` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_1`. The breakpoints defined by `index_2` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_2`. The breakpoints defined by `index_3` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_3`.

You can overwrite the `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` attribute values by providing the same `index_x` attributes in the `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group in the `internal_power` group.

The index values are lists of floating-point numbers greater than or equal to 0.0. The values in the list must be in an increasing order.

The number of floating-point numbers in the indexes determines the size of each dimension, as [Example 9-2](#) illustrates.

For each `power_lut_template` group, you must define at least one `variable_1` and one `index_1`.

[Example 9-2](#) shows four `power_lut_template` groups that have one-, two-, or three-dimensional templates.

Example 9-2 Four power_lut_template Groups

```
power_lut_template (output_by_cap) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
}

power_lut_template (output_by_cap_and_trans) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
    index_2 ("0.1, 1.0, 5.0") ;
}

power_lut_template (input_by_trans) {
```

```

        variable_1 : input_transition_time ;
        index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 5.0") ;
    }

    power_lut_template (output_by_cap2_and_trans)
    {
        variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
    ;
        variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
        variable_3 : equal_or_output_net_capacitance
    ;
        index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
        index_2 ("0.1, 1.0, 5.0") ;
        index_3 ("0.1, 0.5, 1.0") ;
    }

```

Scalar power_lut_template Group

Use this group to model cells with no power consumption.

predefined template named scalar; its value size is 1. You can specify scalar as the group name of a fall_power group, power group, or rise_power group in the internal_power group.

Note:

You can use the scalar template with an assigned value of 0 (indicating that no power is consumed) for an internal_power group with a rise_power table and a fall_power table. When one group contains the scalar template, the other must contain one-, two-, or three-dimensional power values.

9.7.3 Using Scalable Polynomial Power Modeling

Instead of using lookup tables, you can represent power information directly in the library by specifying a scalable polynomial power model template and coefficients. Use the following groups and attributes to define your scalable polynomial delay model:

- The library-level power_poly_template group
- The internal_power group (see [“Defining Internal Power Groups”](#))
- The associated library-level attributes that specify scaling factors and a default value

power_poly_template Group

When you specify your delay model as polynomial, you can use the power_poly_template group to represent power information directly in the library, instead of using power lookup tables.

Syntax

```

library (library_name_id)
{
  ...
  power_poly_template(power_poly_template_name_id)
  {
    variables(variable_i_enum,
    ..., variable_n_enum)

    variable_i_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float)
    ...

    variable_n_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float)
    mapping(value_enum, power_rail_name_id)
    domain(domain_name_id)
  {
    calc_mode : name_id ;

    variables((variable_i_enum,
    ..., variable_n_enum)

    variable_1_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float)
    ...

    variable_n_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float)
    mapping(value_enum, power_rail_name_id)
  }
}
}

```

power_poly_template Variables

The `power_poly_template` group for specifying power accepts the following variables (`variable_i`, ..., `variable_n`), which you specify in the `variables` complex attribute. The variables you specify in the `power_poly_template` group represent the variables used in the equation to characterize cells in the library for internal power. The variables are

temperature

The temperature.

voltage

The primary power supply voltage.

voltagei

The additional voltage when a cell requires many supply voltages as in the case of level-shifter cells.

input_net_transition

The input transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` attribute in the `internal_power` group.

total_output_net_capacitance

The loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `pin` group that contains the `internal_power` group

equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance

The loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `equal_or_opposite_output` attribute in the `internal_power` group.

parameteri

The parameter to reference user-defined process variables.

Mapping Power Relationships

You use the `mapping` attribute in the `power_poly_template` group to specify the relationships between voltage variables in the polynomial and their corresponding power rails.

Depending on the case, specifying the `mapping` attribute can be optional or required, as shown in the following examples.

Case 1

The `mapping` attribute is not required, because there is no voltage declaration.

```
variables(temperature, input_net_transition)
;
```

Case 2

The `mapping` attribute is optional. When the attribute is omitted, the value defined in the voltage attribute within the `operating_conditions` group is assumed.

```
variables(temperature, ..., voltage) ;
```

Case 3

The `mapping` attribute, although optional, is declared to specify a value other than the default.

```
variables(temperature, ..., voltage) ;
...
```

```
mapping(voltage, VDD1) ;
```

Case 4

The `mapping` attribute is required to specify a value defined in a `power_rail` group for `voltage1`.

```
variables(temperature, ..., voltage, voltage1)
;
...
mapping(voltage1, VDD2) ;
```

Case 5

The `mapping` attribute is required to specify a value defined in a `power_rail` group for `voltage1`.

```
variables(temperature, ..., voltage1) ;
...
mapping(voltage1, VDD3) ;
```

Case 6

The `mapping` attribute is required to specify a value defined in a `power_rail` group for `voltage1` and optionally to specify a value other than the default for `voltage`.

```
variables(temperature, ..., voltage, voltage1)
;
...
mapping(voltage, VDD4) ;
mapping(voltage1, VDD5) ;
```

9.8 Defining Internal Power Groups

To specify the cell's internal power consumption, use the `internal_power` group within the `pin` group in the cell.

If the `internal_power` group is not present in a cell, it is assumed that the cell does not consume any internal power. You can define the optional complex attribute `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` in this group to overwrite the `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` attribute defined in the library-level `power_lut_template` to which it refers.

9.8.1 Naming Power Relationships, Using the `internal_power` Group

Within the `internal_power` group you can identify the name or names of different power relationships. A single power relationship can occur between an identified pin and a single related pin identified with the `related_pin` attribute. Multiple power relationships can occur in many ways.

This list shows seven possible multiple power relationships. These relationships are described in more detail in the following sections:

- Between a single pin and a single related pin
- Between a single pin and multiple related pins
- Between a bundle and a single related pin
- Between a bundle and multiple related pins
- Between a bus and a single related pin
- Between a bus and multiple related pins
- Between a bus and related bus pins

Power Relationship Between a Single Pin and a Single Related Pin

Identify the power relationship that occurs between a single pin and a single related pin by entering a name in the `internal_power` group attribute as shown in the following example:

Example

```
cell (my_inverter) {
  ...
  pin (A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  pin (B) {
    direction : output
    function : "A'";
    internal_power (A_B) }
    related_pin : "A";
    ...
  }/* end internal_power() */
}/* end pin B */
}/* end cell */
```

The power relationship is as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
A	B	A_B

Power Relationships Between a Single Pin and Multiple Related Pins

This section describes how to identify the power relationships when an `internal_power` group is within a `pin` group and the power relationship has more than a single related pin. You identify the multiple power relationships on a name list entered with the `internal_power` group attribute as shown in the following example:

Example

```
cell (my_and) {
    ...
    pin (A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
    }
    pin (B) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 2;
    }
    pin (C) {
        direction : output
        function : "A B";
        internal_power (A_C, B_C) {
            related_pin : "A B";
            ...
        }/* end internal_power() */
    }/* end pin B */
}/* end cell */
```

The power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
A	C	A_C
B	C	B_C

Power Relationships Between a Bundle and a Single Related Pin

When the `internal_power` group is within a `bundle` group that has several members that have a single related pin, enter the names of the resulting multiple power relationships in a name list in the `internal_power` group.

Example

```
...
bundle (Q){
    members (Q0, Q1, Q2, Q3);
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
    internal_power (G_Q0, G_Q1, G_Q2, G_Q3) {
        related_pin : "G";
    }
}
```


}

If G is a pin, as opposed to another `bundle` group, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G	Q0	G_Q0
G	Q1	G_Q1
G	Q2	G_Q2
G	Q3	G_Q3

If G is another bundle of member size 4 and G0, G1, G2, and G3 are members of bundle G, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G0	Q0	G_Q0
G1	Q1	G_Q1
G2	Q2	G_Q2
G3	Q3	G_Q3

Note:

If G is a bundle of a member size other than 4, it is an error due to incompatible width.

Power Relationships Between a Bundle and Multiple Related Pins

When the `internal_power` group is within a `bundle` group that has several members, each having a corresponding related pin, enter the names of the resulting multiple power relationships as a name list in the `internal_power` group.

Example

```
bundle (Q){
  members (Q0, Q1, Q2, Q3);
  direction : output;
  function : "IQ";
  internal_power (G_Q0, H_Q0, G_Q1, H_Q1, G_Q2, H_Q2, G_Q3, H_Q3)
  {
    related_pin : "G H";
  }
}
```

If G is a pin, as opposed to another bundle group, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G	Q0	G_Q0
H	Q0	H_Q0
G	Q1	G_Q1
From pin	To pin	Label
H	Q1	H_Q1
G	Q2	G_Q2
H	Q2	H_Q2
G	Q3	G_Q3
H	Q3	H_Q3

If G is another bundle of member size 4 and G0, G1, G2, and G3 are members of bundle G, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G0	Q0	G_Q0
H	Q0	H_Q0
G1	Q1	G_Q1
H	Q1	H_Q1
G2	Q2	G_Q2
H	Q2	H_Q2
G3	Q3	G_Q3
H	Q3	H_Q3

The same rule applies if H is a size 4 bundle.

Note:

If G is a bundle of a member size other than 4, it's an error due to incompatible width.

Power Relationships Between a Bus and a Single Related Pin

This section describes how to identify the power relationships created when an `internal_power` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits that have the same single related pin. You identify the resulting multiple power relationships by entering a name list, using the `internal_power` group attribute.

Example

```

...
bus (X){
  /*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B'";
    internal_power (B_X0, B_X1, B_X2, B_X3){
      related_pin : "B";
    }
  }
}

```

If B is a pin, as opposed to another 4-bit bus, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B	X[0]	B_X0
B	X[1]	B_X1
B	X[2]	B_X2
B	X[3]	B_X3

If B is another 4-bit bus and B[0] is the MSB for bus B, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B_X0
B[1]	X[1]	B_X1
B[2]	X[2]	B_X2
B[3]	X[3]	B_X3

Power Relationships Between a Bus and Multiple Related Pins

This section describes the power relationships created when an `internal_power` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits, where each bit has its own related pin. You identify the resulting multiple power relationships by entering a name list, using the `internal_power` group attribute.

Example

```

bus (X){ /*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B'";
    internal_power (B_X0, C_X0, B_X1, C_X1, B_X2, C_X2,
  B_X3,C_X3){
      related_pin : "B C";
    }
  }
}

```

If B and C are pins, as opposed to another 4-bit bus, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B	X[0]	B_X0
C	X[0]	C_X0
B	X[1]	B_X1
C	X[1]	C_X1
B	X[2]	B_X2
C	X[2]	C_X2
B	X[3]	B_X3
C	X[3]	C_X3

If B is another 4-bit bus and B[0] is the MSB for bus B, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B_X0
C	X[0]	C_X0
B[1]	X[1]	B_X1

C	X[1]	C_X1
B[2]	X[2]	B_X2
C	X[2]	C_X2
B[3]	X[3]	B_X3
C	X[3]	C_X3

The same rule applies if C is a 4-bit bus.

Power Relationships Between a Bus and Related Bus Pins

This section describes the power relationships created when an `internal_power` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits that have to be matched with several related bus pins of a required width. Identify the resulting multiple power relationships by entering a name list, using the `internal_power` group attribute.

Example

```

/* assuming related_bus_pins is width of 2 bits */
bus (X){
  /*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B'";
    internal_power (B0_X0, B0_X1, B0_X2, B0_X3, B1_X0, B1_X1, B1_X2,
                    B1_X3 ){
      related_bus_pins : "B";
    }
  }
}

```

If B is another 2-bit bus and B[0] is its MSB, the power relationships are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B0_X0
B[0]	X[1]	B0_X1
B[0]	X[2]	B0_X2
B[0]	X[3]	B0_X3
B[1]	X[0]	B1_X0

B[1]	X[1]	B1_X1
B[1]	X[2]	B1_X2
B[1]	X[3]	B1_X3

9.8.2 *internal_power* Group

To define an `internal_power` group in a `pin` group, use these simple attributes, complex attributes, and groups:

Simple attributes:

- `equal_or_opposite_output`
- `falling_together_group`
- `power_level`
- `related_pin`
- `rising_together_group`
- `switching_interval`
- `switching_together_group`
- `when`

Complex attribute:

- `mode`

Groups:

- `fall_power`
- `power`
- `rise_power`

`equal_or_opposite_output` Simple Attribute

This attribute designates an optional output pin or pins whose capacitance provides access to a three-dimensional table in the `internal_power` group.

Syntax

```
equal_or_opposite_output : "name | name_list" ;
```

name | *name_list*

Name of output pin or pins.

Note:

This pin (or these pins) have to be functionally equal to or the opposite of the pin named in the same `pin` group.

Example

```
equal_or_opposite_output : "Q" ;
```

Note:

The output capacitance of this pin (or pins) is used as the `equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance` value in the internal power lookup table.

falling_together_group Simple Attribute

Use the `falling_together_group` attribute to identify the list of two or more input or output pins that share logic and are falling together during the same time period. Set this time period with the `switching_interval` attribute. See [“switching_interval Simple Attribute”](#) for details.

Together, the `falling_together_group` attribute and the `switching_interval` attribute settings determine the level of power consumption.

Define a `falling_together_group` attribute in the `internal_power` group in a pin group, as shown here.

```
cell (name_string) {
  pin (name_string) {
    internal_power () {
      falling_together_group : "list of pins" ;
      rising_together_group  : "list of pins" ;
      switching_interval     : float;
      rise_power () {
        ...
      }
      fall_power () {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic and are falling during the same time period.

power_level Simple Attribute

This attribute is used for multiple power supply modeling. In the `internal_power` group at the pin level, you can specify the power level used to characterize the tables.

Syntax

```
power_level : "name" ;
```

name

Name of the power rail defined in the `power_supply` group.

Example

```
power_level : "VDD1" ;
```

For an output pin within a multiple power supply cell, regardless of the `output_signal_level` value, you must define `internal_power` tables for all the `rail_connection` of the cell.

For an input pin within a multiple power supply cell, you must define an `internal_power` table to match the `input_signal_level` value. The rest of the rail connections are optional.

If you want to use the same Boolean expression for multiple `when` statements in an `internal_power` group, you must specify a different power rail for each `internal_power` group, as shown in this example.

Example

```
library (example) {
    ...
    power_supply() {
        default_power_rail : vdd;
        power_rail(VDD1, 1.95);
        power_rail(VDD2, 1.85);
        power_rail(VDD3, 1.75);
    } ;
    ...
    cell ( cell1 ) {
        rail_connection(PV1, VDD1);
        rail_connection(PV2, VDD2);
        rail_connection(PV3, VDD3);
        pin(A) {
            ...
        }
        pin(B) {
            ...
        }
        pin ( CP ) {
            direction : input ;
            input_signal_level : VDD1;
            ...
            internal_power() {
                power_level : VDD1 ;
                when : "A !B";
                power (power_ramp) {
                    values ("1.934150, 2.148130, 2.449420, 3.345050,
4.305690");
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```



```

    }
    internal_power() {
        power_level : VDD2 ;
        when : "A !B";
        power (power_ramp) {
            values ("1.934150, 2.148130, 2.449420, 3.345050,
4.305690");
        }
    }
    /* no table for VDD3 */
}
}

```

related_pin Simple Attribute

This attribute associates the `internal_power` group with a specific input or output pin. If `related_pin` is an output pin, it must be functionally equal to or the opposite of the pin in that `pin` group.

If `related_pin` is an input pin or output pin, the pin's transition time is used as a variable in the internal power lookup table.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name | name_list"
;
```

name | *name_list*

Name of the input or output pin or pins

Example

```
related_pin : "A B" ;
```

The pin or pins in the `related_pin` attribute denote the path dependency for the `internal_power` group.

If you want to define a two-dimensional or three-dimensional table, specify all functionally related pins in a `related_pin` attribute.

rising_together_group Simple Attribute

The `rising_together_group` attribute identifies the list of two or more input or output pins that share logic and are rising during the same time period. This time period is defined with the `switching_interval` attribute. See the following [switching_interval Simple Attribute](#)," section for details.

Together, the `rising_together_group` attribute and `switching_interval` attribute settings determine the level of power consumption.

Define the `rising_together_group` attribute in the `internal_power` group, as

shown here.

```
cell (name_string) {
  pin (name_string) {
    internal_power () {
      falling_together_group : "list of pins" ;
      rising_together_group : "list of pins" ;
      switching_interval : float;
      rise_power () {
        ...
      }
      fall_power () {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic and are rising during the same time period.

switching_interval Simple Attribute

The `switching_interval` attribute defines the time interval during which two or more pins that share logic are falling, rising, or switching (either falling or rising) during the same time period.

Set the `switching_interval` attribute together with the `falling_together_group`, `rising_together_group`, or `switching_together_group` attribute. Together with one of these attributes, the `switching_interval` attribute defines a level of power consumption.

For details about the attributes that are set together with the `switching_interval` attribute, see [“falling_together_group Simple Attribute”](#); [“rising_together_group Simple Attribute”](#); and the following [“switching_together_group Simple Attribute,”](#) section.

Syntax

```
switching_interval : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number that represents the time interval during which two or more pins that share logic are switching together.

Example

```
pin (Z) {
  direction : output;
  internal_power () {
```

```

switching_together_group : "A B";
/*if pins A, B, and Z switch*/ ;
switching_interval : 5.0;
/*switching within 5 time units */;
power () {
    ...
}
}
}

```

switching_together_group Simple Attribute

The `switching_together_group` attribute identifies the list of two or more input or output pins that share logic, are either falling or rising during the same time period, and are not affecting power consumption.

Define the time period with the `switching_interval` attribute. See [“switching_interval Simple Attribute”](#) for details.

Define the `switching_together_group` attribute in the `internal_power` group, as shown here.

```

cell (name_string) {
    pin (name_string) {
        internal_power () {
            switching_together_group : "list of pins" ;
            switching_interval : float;
            power () {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}
}

```

list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic, are either falling or rising during the same time period, and are not affecting power consumption.

when Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a state-dependent condition that determines whether the internal power table is accessed.

You can use the `when` attribute to define one-, two-, or three-dimensional tables in the `internal_power` group.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Name or names of input and output pins, buses, and bundles with corresponding Boolean operators.

[Table 9-1](#) lists the Boolean operators valid in a `when` statement.

Example

```
when : "A B" ;
```

mode Complex Attribute

You define the `mode` attribute within an `internal_power` group. A `mode` attribute pertains to an individual pin. The pin is active when `mode` is instantiated with a name and a value. You can specify multiple instances of the `mode` attribute but only one instance for each pin.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_definition_name, mode_value);
```

Example

```
cell (my_cell) {
  mode_definition (mode_definition_name) {
    mode_value(namestring) {
      when : "boolean expression";
      sdf_cond : "boolean expression";
    } ...
  } ...
  pin (pin_name) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "boolean expression";
    internal_power () {
      related_pin : "pin_name";
      /*when : "boolean expression";*/
      mode (mode_definition_name, mode_value);
      ...
    }/* end internal_power() */
  }/* end pin */
}/* end cell */
```

[Example 9-3](#) shows a `mode` instance description.

Example 9-3 A mode Instance Description

```
library (my_library) {
  technology ( cmos ) ;
  delay_model : table_lookup;
```

```

...
cell(inv0d0) {
  area : 0.75;
  mode_definition(rw) {
    mode_value(read) {
      when : "A";
      sdf_cond : "A == 1";
    }
    mode_value(write) {
      when : "!A";
      sdf_cond : "A == 0";
    }
  }
  pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    max_transition : 2100.0;
    capacitance : 0.002000;
    fanout_load : 1;
    ...
  }
  pin(I) {
    direction : input;
    max_transition : 2100.0;
    capacitance : 0.002000;
    fanout_load : 1;
    ...
  }
  pin(Z) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.175000;
    max_fanout : 58;
    max_transition : 1400.0;
    function : "(I)'" ;
    internal_power () {
      related_pin : "I";
      mode(rw, read);
      /* when : "A";*/
      ...
    }
    internal_power () {
      related_pin : "I";
      mode(rw, write);

      /* when : "!A";*/
      ...
    }
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin : "I";
    timing_sense : negative_unate;
    ...
  }
}

```

```

        } /* timing I -> Z */
    } /* I */
    ...
} /* cell(inv0d0) */
} /* library */

```

fall_power Group

Use a `fall_power` group to define a fall transition for a pin. If you specify a `fall_power` group, you must also specify a `rise_power` group.

You define a `fall_power` group in an `internal_power` group in a cell-level pin group, as shown here:

```

cell (name_string) {
    pin (name_string) {
        internal_power () {
            fall_power (template name) {
                ... fall power description ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
index_2 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
index_3 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
values ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
orders ("integer, ..., integer"); /* polynomial */
coefs ("float, ..., float"); /* polynomial */

```

Group

```

domain /* polynomial */

```

index_1, index_2, index_3 Attributes

These attributes identify internal cell consumption per fall transition. Define these attributes in the `internal_power` group or in the library-level `power_lut_template` group.

values Attribute

This attribute defines internal cell consumption per fall transition.

Example

```
values ("2.2, 3.7, 4.3", "1.7, 2.1, 3.5", "1.0, 1.5, 2.8");
```

orders Attribute

This attribute specifies the orders of the variables for the polynomial.

coefs Attribute

This attribute specifies the coefficients in the polynomial used to characterize power information.

domain Group

```
domain (name_string) {
    pin (name_string) {
        internal_power () {
            fall_power (template name) {
                ... fall power description ...
            }
            domain() {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
variable_n_range
orders
coefs
```

power Group

The `power` group is defined within an `internal_power` group in a `pin` group at the cell level, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
    cell (name) {
        pin (name) {
            internal_power () {
                power (template name) {
                    ... power template description ...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
index_2 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
index_3 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */
values ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */

orders ("integer, ..., integer")/* polynomial */
coefs ("float, ..., float")/* polynomial */
```

Group

```
domain /* polynomial */
```

index_1, index_2, index_3 Attributes

These attributes identify internal cell consumption per transition. Define these attributes in the `internal_power` group or in the library-level `power_lut_template` group.

values Attribute

This attribute defines internal cell power consumption per rise or fall transition.

This power information is accessed when the pin has a rise transition or a fall transition. The values in the table specify the average power per transition.

orders Attribute

This attribute specifies the orders of the variables for the polynomial.

coefs Attribute

This attribute specifies the coefficients in the polynomial used to characterize power information.

domain Group

```
cell (name_string) {
    pin (name_string) {
        internal_power () {
            power (template name) {
                ... power template description ...
                domain() {
                    ...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```



```
    }  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
variable_n_range  
orders  
coefs
```

rise_power Group

A `rise_power` group is defined in an `internal_power` group at the cell level, as shown here:

```
cell (name) {  
    pin (name) {  
        internal_power () {  
            rise_power (template name) {  
                ... rise power description ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Rise power is accessed when the pin has a rise transition. If you have a `rise_power` group, you must have a `fall_power` group.

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */  
index_2 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */  
index_3 ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */  
values ("float, ..., float"); /* lookup table */  
orders ("integer, ..., integer"); /* polynomial */  
coefs ("float, ..., float"); /* polynomial */
```

Group

```
domain /* polynomial */
```

`index_1`, `index_2`, `index_3` Attributes

These attributes identify internal cell consumption per rise transition. Define these attributes in the `internal_power` group or in the library-level `power_lut_template` group.

`values` Attribute

This attribute defines internal cell power consumption per rise transition.

orders Attribute

This attribute specifies the orders of the variables for the polynomial.

coefs Attribute

This attribute specifies the coefficients in the polynomial used to characterize power information.

domain Group

```
domain (name_string) {
    pin (name_string) {
        internal_power () {
            rise_power (template name) {
                ... rise power description ...
                domain() {
                    ...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
variable_n_range
orders
coefs
```

Syntax for One-Dimensional, Two-Dimensional, and Three-Dimensional Tables

You can define a one-, two-, or three-dimensional table in the `internal_power` group in either of the following two ways:

- Using the `power` group. For two- and three-dimensional tables, define the `power` group and the `related_pin` attribute.
- Using a combination of the `related_pin` attribute, the `fall_power` group, and the `rise_power` group.

The syntax for a one-dimensional table using the `power` group is shown here:

```
internal_power() {
    power (template name) {
```

```

        values("float, ..., float") ;
    }
}

internal_power() {
    fall_power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float");
    }

    rise_power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float");
    }
}

```

The syntax for a two-dimensional table using the `power` and `related_pin` groups is shown here:

```

internal_power() {
    related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
    power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float") ;
    }
}

```

The syntax for a two-dimensional table using the `related_pin`, `fall_power`, and `rise_power` groups is shown here:

```

internal_power() {
    related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
    fall_power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float");
    }
    rise_power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float");
    }
}

```

The syntax for a three-dimensional table using the `power` and `related_pin` groups is shown here:

```

internal_power() {
    related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
    power (template name) {
        values("float, ..., float") ;
    }
    equal_or_opposite_output : "name | name_list"
;
}

```

The syntax for a three-dimensional table using the `related_pin`, `fall_power`, and `rise_power` groups is shown here:

```
internal_power() {
    related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
    fall_power (template name) {
        values ("float, ..., float") ;
    }
    rise_power (template name) {
        values ("float, ..., float") ;
    }
    equal_or_opposite_output : "name | name_list" ;
}
```

[Example 9-](#) shows cells that contain internal power information in the `pin` group.

Power-Scaling Factors

You use the following attributes to specify the environmental derating factors (voltage, temperature, and process) for the `internal_power` group. The range for these scaling factors is -100.0 to 100.0 . The default is 0.0 .

Syntax

```
k_volt_internal_power : float ;
k_temp_internal_power : float ;
k_process_internal_power : float ;
```

Example

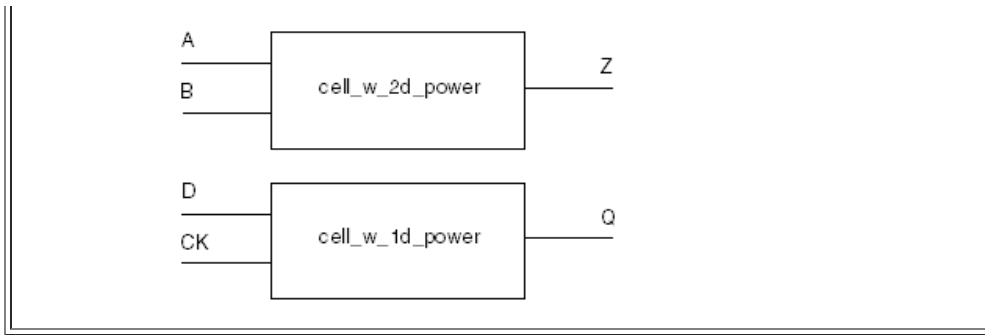
```
library(power_sample) {
    ...
    k_volt_internal_power : 0.000000;
    k_temp_internal_power : 0.000000;
    k_process_internal_power : 0.000000;
    ...
}
```

9.8.3 Internal Power Examples

The examples in this section show how to describe the internal power of the 2-input sequential gate in [Figure 9-4](#), using one-, two-, and three-dimensional lookup tables.

Figure 9-4 Library Cells With Internal Power Information





One-Dimensional Power Lookup Table

[Example 9-4](#) is the library description of the cell shown in [Figure 9-4](#), a cell with a one-dimensional internal power table defined in the `pin` groups.

Example 9-4 One-Dimensional Internal Power Table

```

library(internal_power_example) {
  ...
  power_lut_template(output_by_cap) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    index_1("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
  }
  ...
  power_lut_template(input_by_trans) {
    variable_1 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
  }
  ...
  cell(FLOP1) {
    pin(CP) {
      direction : input ;
      internal_power()
        power (input_by_trans) {
          values("1.5, 2.6, 4.7") ;
        }
    }
  }
  ...
  pin(Q) {
    direction : input ;
    internal_power() {
      power(output_by_cap) {
        values("9.0, 5.0, 2.0") ;
      }
    }
  }
}
}

```

Two-Dimensional Power Lookup Table

[Example 9-5](#) is the library description of the cell in [Figure 9-4](#), a cell with a two-dimensional internal power table defined in the `pin` groups.

Example 9-5 Two-Dimensional Internal Power Table

```
library(internal_power_example) {
  ...
  power_lut_template(output_by_cap_and_trans) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0");
    index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 20.0");
  }
  ...
  cell(AN2) {
    pin(Z) {
      direction : output ;
      internal_power {
        power(output_by_cap_and_trans) {
          values ("2.2, 3.7, 4.3", "1.7, 2.1, 3.5",
"1.0,\
          1.5, 2.8");
        }
        related_pin : "A B" ;
      }
    }
    pin(A) {
      direction : input ;
      ...
    }
    pin(B) {
      direction : input ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Three-Dimensional Power Lookup Table

[Example 9-6](#) is the library description for the cell in [Figure 9-4](#), a cell with a three-dimensional internal power table.

Example 9-6 Three-Dimensional Internal Power Table

```
library(internal_power_example) {
  ...
  power_lut_template(output_by_cap1_cap2_and_trans) {
```

```

variable_1 : total_output1_net_capacitance ;
variable_2 : equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance
;

variable_3 : input_transition_time ;
index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
index_2 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
index_3 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
}
...
cell(FLOP1) {
  pin(CP) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
  }
  pin(D) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
  }
  pin(S) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
  }
  pin(R) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
  }
  pin(Q) {
    direction : output ;
    internal_power() {
      power(output_by_cap1_cap2_and_trans) {
        values("2.2, 3.7, 4.3", "1.7, 2.1, 3.5", "1.0, 1.5,\
          .8", "2.1, 3.6, 4.2", "1.6, 2.0, 3.4", "0.9, 1.5, .7"
\
          "2.0, 3.5, 4.1", "1.5, 1.9, 3.3", "0.8,
1.4,2.6");
      }
      equal_or_opposite_output : "QN" ;
      related_pin : "CP" ;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}
}

```

9.9 Modeling Libraries With Integrated Clock-Gating Cells

Power optimization achieved at high levels of abstraction has a significant impact on

reduction of power in the final gate-level design. Clock gating is an important high-level technique for reducing power.

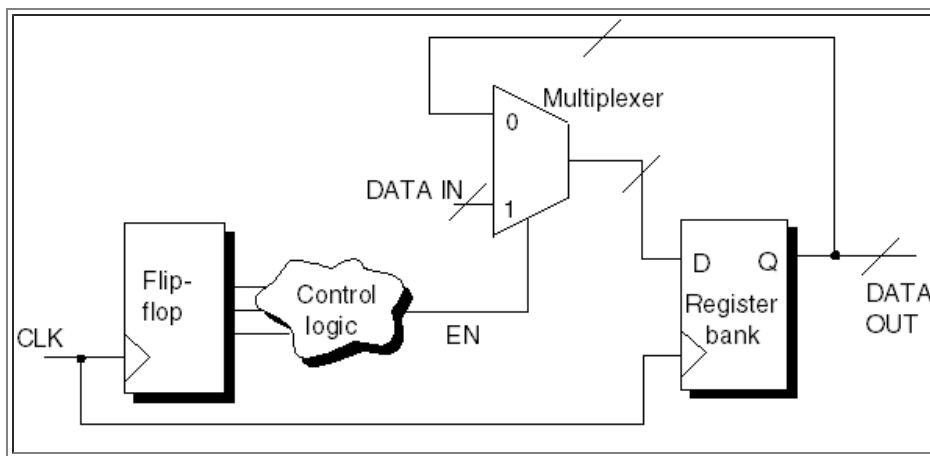
9.9.1 What Clock Gating Does

Clock gating provides a power-efficient implementation of register banks that are disabled during some clock cycles.

A register bank is a group of flip-flops that share the same clock and synchronous control signals and that are inferred from the same HDL variable. Synchronous control signals include synchronous load-enable, synchronous set, synchronous reset, and synchronous toggle.

Figure 9-5 shows a simple implementation of a register bank using a multiplexer and a feedback loop.

Figure 9-5 Synchronous Load-Enable Register Using a Multiplexer



When the synchronous load-enable signal (EN) is at logic state 0, the register bank is disabled. In this state, the circuit uses the multiplexer to feed the Q output of each storage element in the register bank back to the D input. When the EN signal is at logic state 1, the register is enabled, allowing new values to load at the D input.

Such feedback loops can use some power unnecessarily. For example, if the same value is reloaded in the register throughout multiple clock cycles (EN equals 0), the register bank and its clock net consume power while values in the register bank do not change. The multiplexer also consumes power.

By controlling the clock signal for the register, you can eliminate the need for reloading the same value in the register through multiple clock cycles. Clock gating inserts a 2-input gate into the register bank's clock network, creating the control to eliminate unnecessary register activity.

Clock gating reduces the clock network's power dissipation and often relaxes the datapath timing. If your design has large multibit registers, clock gating can save power and reduce the number of gates in the design. However, for smaller register banks, the overhead of adding logic to the clock tree might not compare favorably to the power saved by eliminating a few feedback nets and multiplexers.

Using integrated clock-gating cell functionality, you have the option of doing the

following:

- Use latch-free or latch-based clock gating.
- Insert logic to increase testability.

For details, see [Using an Integrated Clock-Gating Cell](#)” and [“Setting Pin Attributes for an Integrated Cell”](#).

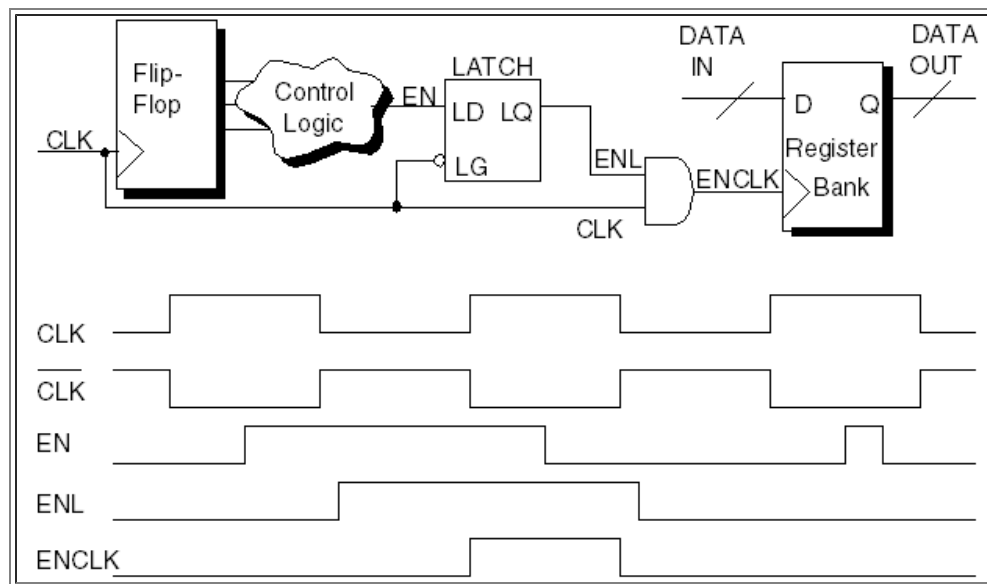
9.9.2 Looking at a Gated Clock

Clock gating saves power by eliminating the unnecessary activity associated with reloading register banks. Clock gating eliminates the feedback net and multiplexer shown in [Figure 9-5](#), by inserting a 2-input gate in the clock net of the register. The 2-input clock gate selectively prevents clock edges, thus preventing the gated clock signal from clocking the gated register.

Clock gating can also insert inverters or buffers to satisfy timing or clock waveform and duty requirements.

[Figure 9-6](#) shows the 2-input clock gate as an AND gate; however, depending on the type of register and the gating style, gating can use NAND, OR, and NOR gates instead. At the bottom of Figure 1-8, the waveforms of the signals are shown with respect to the clock signal, CLK.

Figure 9-6 Latch-Based Clock Gating



The clock input to the register bank, ENCLK, is gated on or off by the AND gate. ENL is the enabling signal that controls the gating; it derives from the EN signal on the multiplexer shown in [Figure 9-5](#). The register is triggered by the rising edge of the ENCLK signal.

The latch prevents glitches on the EN signal from propagating to the register's clock pin. When the CLK input of the 2-input AND gate is at logic state 1, any glitching of the EN signal could, without the latch, propagate and corrupt the register clock signal. The latch eliminates this possibility, because it blocks signal changes when the clock is at logic state 1.

In latch-based clock gating, the AND gate blocks unnecessary clock pulses, by maintaining the clock signal's value after the trailing edge. For example, for flip-flops inferred by HDL constructs of positive-edge clocks, the clock gate forces the clock-gated signal to maintain logic state 0 after the falling edge of the clock.

9.9.3 Using an Integrated Clock-Gating Cell

Consider using an integrated clock-gating cell if you are experiencing timing problems caused by the introduction of random logic on the clock line.

Create an integrated clock-gating cell that integrates the various combinational and sequential elements of the clock-gating circuitry into a single cell, which is compiled to gates and located in the technology library.

9.9.4 Setting Pin Attributes for an Integrated Cell

The clock-gating software requires the pins of your integrated cells to be set with the attributes listed in [Table 9-3](#). Setting some of the pin attributes, such as those for test and observability, is optional.

Table 9-3 Pin Attributes for Integrated Clock-Gating Cells

Integrated cell pin name	Data direction	Required attribute
clock	in	clock_gate_clock_pin
enable	in	clock_gate_enable_pin
test_mode or scan_enable	in	clock_gate_test_pin
observability	out	clock_gate_obs_pin
enable_clock	out	clock_gate_out_pin

clock_gate_clock_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_clock_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to a clock signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_clock_pin : true | false ;
```

true | false

A true value labels the pin as a clock pin. A false value labels the pin as *not* a clock pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_clock_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_enable_pin Simple Attribute

Use the `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute to compile a design containing gated clocks.

The `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to an enable signal for nonintegrated clock-gating cells and integrated clock-gating cells.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_enable_pin : true | false ;
```

true | false

A true value labels the input pin of a clock-gating cell connected to an enable signal as the enable pin. A false value does not label the input pin as an enable pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_enable_pin : true;
```

For clock-gating cells, you can set this attribute to `true` on only one input port of a 2-input AND, NAND, OR, or NOR gate. If you do so, the other input port is the clock.

clock_gate_test_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_test_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to a `test_mode` or `scan_enable` signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_test_pin : true | false ;
```

true | false

A true value labels the pin as a test (`test_mode` or `scan_enable`) pin. A false value labels the pin as *not* a test pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_test_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_obs_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_obs_pin` attribute identifies an output pin connected to an observability signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_obs_pin : true | false ;
```

true | false

A true value labels the pin as an observability pin. A false value labels the pin as *not* an observability pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_obs_pin : true;
```

clock_gate_out_pin Attribute

The `clock_gate_out_pin` attribute identifies an output port connected to an `enable_clock` signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_out_pin : true | false ;
```

true | false

A true value labels the pin as a clock-gated output (`enable_clock`) pin. A false value labels the pin as *not* a clock-gated output pin.

Example

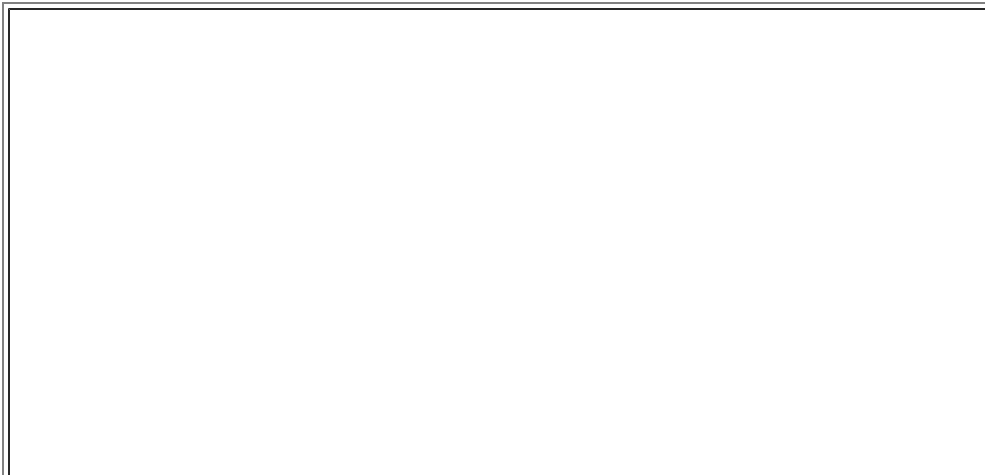
```
clock_gate_out_pin : true;
```

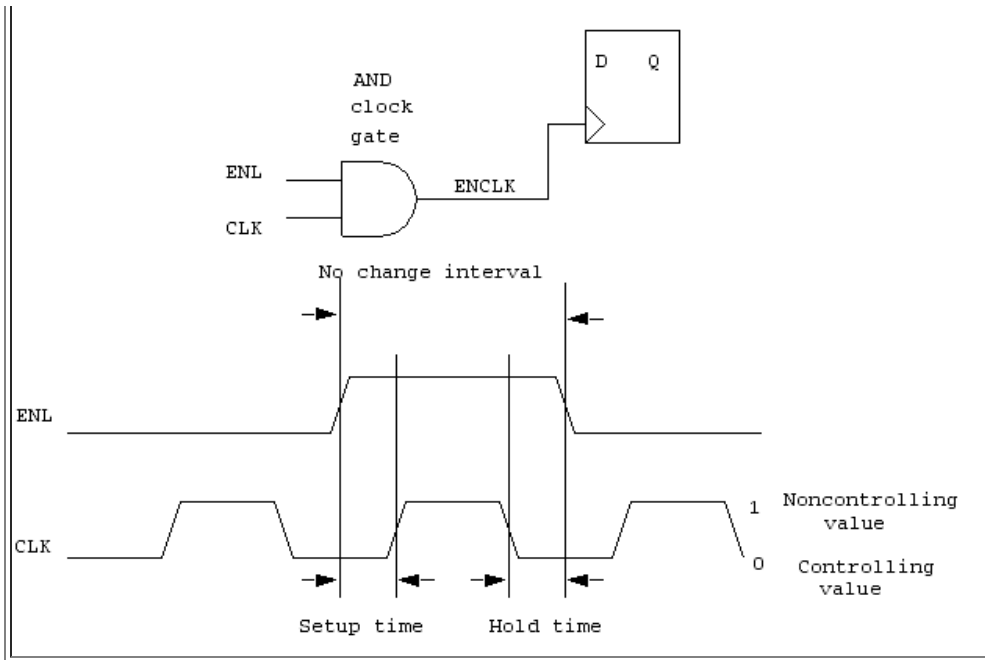
Clock-Gating Timing Considerations

The clock gate must not alter the waveform of the clock—other than turning the clock signal on and off.

[Figure 9-7](#) and [Figure 9-8](#) show the relationship of setup and hold times to a clock waveform. [Figure 9-7](#) shows the relationship when an AND gate is the clock-gating element. [Figure 9-8](#) shows the relationship when an OR gate is the clock-gating element.

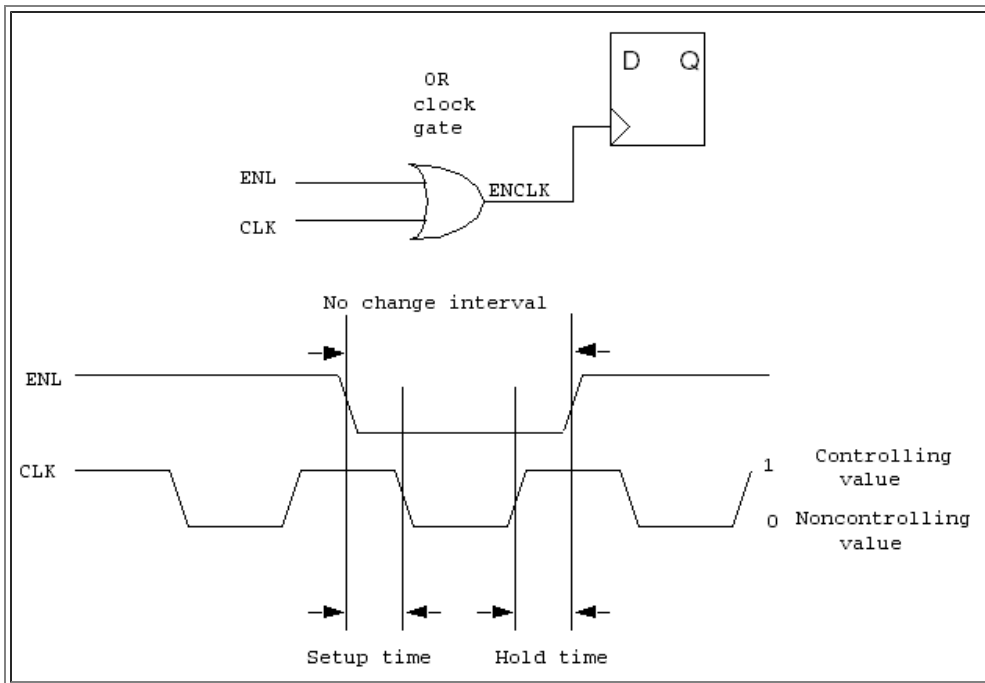
Figure 9-7 Setup and Hold Times for an AND Clock Gate





The setup time specifies how long the clock-gate input (ENL) must be stable before the clock input (CLK) makes a transition to a noncontrolling value. The hold time ensures that the clock-gate input (ENL) is stable for the time you specify after the clock input (CLK) returns to a controlling value. The setup and hold times ensure that the ENL signal is stable for the entire time the CLK signal has a noncontrolling value, which prevents clipping or glitching of the ENCLK clock signal.

Figure 9-8 Setup and Hold Times for an OR Clock Gate



Timing Considerations for Integrated Cells

Clock gating requires certain timing arcs on your integrated cell.

For latch-based clock gating,

- Define setup and hold arcs on the enable pins with respect to the same controlling edge of the clock.
- Define combinational arcs from the clock and enable inputs to the output.

For latch-free clock gating,

- Define no-change arcs on the enable pins. These arcs must be no-change arcs, because they are defined with respect to different clock edges.
- Define combinational arcs from the clock and enable inputs to the output.

[Table 9-4](#) specifies the setup and hold arcs required on the integrated cells. Set the setup and the hold arcs on the enable pin as specified by the `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute with respect to the value entered for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute.

For the latch- and flip-flop-based styles, the setup and hold arcs are the conventional type and are set with respect to the same clock edge. However, for the latch-free style, the setup and hold arcs are set with respect to different clock edges and therefore must be specified as no-change arcs. Note that all arcs for integrated cells must be combinational arcs.

Table 9-4 Values of the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` Attribute

Value of <code>clock_gating_integrated_cell</code> attributes	Setup arc	Hold arc
<code>latch_posedge</code>	rising	rising
<code>latch_negedge</code>	falling	falling
<code>none_posedge</code>	falling	rising
<code>none_negedge</code>	rising	falling
<code>ff_posedge</code>	falling	falling
<code>ff_negedge</code>	rising	rising

The following rules apply to the checking of timing arcs on integrated clock-gating cells:

- If a combinational integrated clock-gating cell or simple clock gating cell has sequential setup and hold arcs, .
- If a sequential integrated clock-gating cell has combinational arcs from the inputs to the outputs, .
- If there is no setup or hold on the enable pin from the clock pin, .
- If there is no combinational arc from the clock to the output, . This combinational arc is needed to propagate the clock properties from inputs to outputs.
- If there is a sequential arc from the clock or enable signal to the output pin, . This arc prevents propagation of clock properties to the output.

Integrated Clock-Gating Cell Example

[Example 9-7](#) shows what you might enter in setting up a cell for integrated clock gating. This example uses the `latch_posedge_precontrol_obs` value option for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute.

Example 9-7 Integrated Clock-Gating Cell

```
cell(CGLPCO) {
    area : 1;
    clock_gating_integrated_cell :
    "latch_posedge_precontrol_obs";
    dont_use : true;
    statetable(" CLK EN SE", "IQ") {
        table : " L L L : - : L ,\
                L L H : - : H ,\
                L H L : - : H ,\
                L H H : - : H ,\
                H - - : - : N ";
    }
    pin(IQ) {
        direction : internal;
        internal_node : "IQ";
    }
    pin(EN) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 0.017997;
        clock_gate_enable_pin : true;
        timing() {
            timing_type : setup_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 0.4;
            intrinsic_fall : 0.4;
            related_pin : "CLK";
        }
        timing() {
            timing_type : hold_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 0.4;
            intrinsic_fall : 0.4;
            related_pin : "CLK";
        }
    }
    pin(SE) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 0.017997;
        clock_gate_test_pin : true;
    }
    pin(CLK) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 0.031419;
        clock_gate_clock_pin : true;
        min_pulse_width_low : 0.319;
    }
    pin(GCLK) {
```

```

direction : output;
state_function : "CLK * IQ";
max_capacitance : 0.500;
clock_gate_out_pin : true;
timing() {
    timing_sense : positive_unate;
    intrinsic_rise : 0.48;
    intrinsic_fall : 0.77;
    rise_resistance : 0.1443;
    fall_resistance : 0.0523;
    slope_rise : 0.0;
    slope_fall : 0.0;
    related_pin : "EN CLK";
}
internal_power () {
    rise_power(li4X3) {
        index_1("0.0150, 0.0400, 0.1050, 0.3550");
        index_2("0.050, 0.451, 1.501");
        values("0.141, 0.148, 0.256", \
            "0.162, 0.145, 0.234", \
            "0.192, 0.200, 0.284", \
            "0.199, 0.219, 0.297");
    }
    fall_power(li4X3) {
        index_1("0.0150, 0.0400, 0.1050, 0.3550");
        index_2("0.050, 0.451, 1.500");
        values("0.141, 0.148, 0.256", \
            "0.162, 0.145, 0.234", \
            "0.192, 0.200, 0.284", \
            "0.199, 0.219, 0.297");
    }
    related_pin : "CLK EN" ;
}
}
pin(OBS) {
    direction : output;
    state_function : "EN";
    max_capacitance : 0.500;
    clock_gate_obs_pin : true;
}
}

```

9.10 Modeling Electromigration

When high-density current passes through a thin metal wire, the high-energy electrons exert forces upon the atoms that cause the electromigration of the atoms.

Electromigration can drastically reduce the lifetime of the silicon, by causing increased resistivity of the metal wire or by creating a short circuit between adjacent lines.

9.10.1 Controlling Electromigration

You can control electromigration by establishing an upper boundary for the output toggle rate. You achieve this by annotating cells with electromigration characterization tables representing the net's maximal toggle rates.

Specifically, do the following to control electromigration:

Use the `em_lut_template` group to name an index template to be used by the `em_max_toggle_rate` group, which you use to set the net's maximum toggle rates. The `em_lut_template` group has the `variable_1` and `variable_2` string attributes and the `index_1` and `index_2` complex attributes.

- Use the `variable_1` string attribute to specify the first dimensional variable and the `variable_2` string attribute to specify the second dimensional variable used by the library developer to characterize cells within the library for electromigration. You can assign `input_transition_time` or `total_output_net_capacitance` to `variable_1` and `variable_2`.
- Use the `index_1` complex attribute to specify the breakpoints along the `variable_1` table axis, and use the `index_2` complex attribute to specify the breakpoints along the `variable_2` table axis.

The electromigration pin-level group attribute contains the `em_max_toggle_rate` group, which you use to specify the maximum toggle rate, and the `related_pin` and `related_bus_pins` attributes.

- Use the `related_pin` attribute to identify the input pin with which the electromigration group is associated.
- Use the `related_bus_pins` attribute to identify the bus group of the pin or pins with which the electromigration group is associated.
- Assign the same name for the `em_max_toggle_rate` pin-level group you specified for the `em_lut_template` library-level group whose template you want `em_max_toggle_rate` to use.

The `em_max_toggle_rate` pin-level group contains the `values` complex attribute; the `related_pin` and `related_bus_pins` simple attributes; and, optionally, the `index_1` and `index_2` complex attributes.

- Use the `values` complex attribute to specify the nets' maximum toggle rates for every `index_1` breakpoint along the `variable_1` axis if the table is one-dimensional.
- If the table is two-dimensional, use `values` to specify the nets' maximum toggle rates for all points where the breakpoints of `index_1` intersect with the breakpoints of `index_2`. The value for these points is equal to $n_{index_1} \times n_{index_2}$, where `index_1` and `index_2` are the size to which the `em_lut_template` group's `index_1` and `index_2` attributes are set.
- You can also use the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's optional `index_1` and `index_2` attributes to overwrite the `em_lut_template` group's `index_1` and `index_2` values.
- State dependency in both lookup tables and polynomials.

Use the optional `em_temp_degradation_factor` at the library level or the cell level to specify the electromigration temperature exponential degradation factor. If this factor is not defined, the nominal temperature electromigration tables are used for all operating temperatures.

9.10.2 *em_lut_template* Group

Use the `em_lut_template` group at the library level to specify the name of the index template to be used by the `em_max_toggle_rate` group, which you use to set the net's maximum toggle rates to control electromigration.

Syntax

```
library (name_string) {  
  
    em_lut_template(name_string) {  
        variable_1: input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance  
    ;  
        variable_2: input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance  
    ;  
        index_1("float, ..., float");  
        index_2("float, ..., float");  
    }  
}
```

variable_1 and *variable_2* Simple Attributes

Use `variable_1` to assign values to the first dimension and `variable_2` to assign values to the second dimension for the templates on electromigration tables. The values can be either `input_transition_time` or `total_output_net_capacitance`.

Syntax

```
variable_1: input_transition_time |  
total_output_net_capacitance ;  
variable_2: input_transition_time |  
total_output_net_capacitance ;
```

The value you assign to `variable_1` is determined by how the `index_1` complex attribute is measured, and the value you assign to `variable_2` is determined by how the `index_2` complex attribute is measured.

Assign `input_transition_time` for `variable_1` if the complex attribute `index_1` is measured with the input net transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` attribute or the pin associated with the electromigration group. Assign `total_output_net_capacitance` to `variable_1` if the complex attribute `index_1` is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin associated with the `em_max_toggle_rate` group.

Assign `input_transition_time` for `variable_2` if the complex attribute `index_2` is measured with the input net transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` attribute, in the `related_bus_pins` attribute, or in the

pin associated with the electromigration group.

Assign `total_output_net_capacitance` to `variable_2` if the complex attribute `index_2` is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin associated with the electromigration group.

Example

```
variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance ;  
variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
```

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

You can use the `index_1` optional attribute to specify the breakpoints of the first dimension of an electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library. You can use the `index_2` optional attribute to specify the breakpoints of the second dimension of an electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

Syntax

```
index_1 : ("float, ..., float") ;  
index_2 : ("float, ..., float") ;
```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the maximum toggle rate frequency from 1 to 0 and from 0 to 1.

You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_1`, by entering a value for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_1`. You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_2`, by entering a value for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_2`.

The following are the rules for the relationship between variables and indexes:

- If you have `variable_1`, you can have only `index_1`.
- If you have `variable_1` and `variable_2`, you can have `index_1` and `index_2`.
- The value you enter for `variable_1` (used for one-dimensional tables) is determined by how `index_1` is measured. The value you enter for `variable_2` (used for two-dimensional tables) is determined by how `index_2` is measured.

Example

```
index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
```

```
index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
```

9.10.3 electromigration Group

An electromigration group is defined in a pin group, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {

      electromigration () {
        ... electromigration description ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
related_pin : "name | name_list" ;/* path dependency
*/
related_bus_pins : "list of
pins" ;/* list of pin names */
```

related_pin Simple Attribute

This attribute associates the `electromigration` group with a specific input pin. The input pin's input transition time is used as a variable in the electromigration lookup table.

If more than one input pin is specified in this attribute, the weighted input transition time of all input pins specified is used to index the electromigration table.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name | name_list" ;

name | name_list
```

Name of input pin or pins.

Example

```
related_pin : "A B" ;
```

The pin or pins in the `related_pin` attribute denote the path dependency for the electromigration group. A particular electromigration group is

accessed if the input pin or pins named in the `related_pin` attribute cause the corresponding output pin named in the `pin` group to toggle. All functionally related pins must be specified in a `related_pin` attribute if two-dimensional tables are being used.

Group Statements

```
em_max_toggle_rate (em_template_name) {}
```

These attributes and groups are described in the following sections.

related_bus_pins Simple Attribute

This attribute associates the `electromigration` group with the input pin or pins of a specific `bus` group. The input pin's input transition time is used as a variable in the electromigration lookup table.

If more than one input pin is specified in this attribute, the weighted input transition time of all input pins specified is used to index the electromigration table.

Syntax

```
related_bus_pins : "name1 [name2 name3 ...
]";
```

Example

```
related_bus_pins : "A" ;
```

The pin or pins in the `related_bus_pins` attribute denote the path dependency for the `electromigration` group. A particular `electromigration` group is accessed if the input pin or pins named in the `related_bus_pins` attribute cause the corresponding output pin named in the `pin` group to toggle. All functionally related pins must be specified in a `related_bus_pins` attribute if two-dimensional tables are being used.

em_max_toggle_rate Group

The `em_max_toggle_rate` group is a pin-level group that is defined within the `electromigration pin` group.

```
library (name) {
    cell (name) {
        pin (name) {
            electromigration () {
                em_max_toggle_rate(em_template_name)
            }
            ... em_max_toggle_rate description
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ; /*this attribute is
optional*/
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ; /*this attribute is
optional*/
values ("float, ..., float ") ;

```

These attributes are defined in the following sections.

Index_1 and Index_2 Complex Attributes

You can use the `index_1` optional attribute to specify the breakpoints of the first dimension of an electromigration table to characterize cells for electromigration within the library. You can use the `index_2` optional attribute to specify breakpoints of the second dimension of an electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_1`, by entering values for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_1`. You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_2`, by entering values for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_2`.

Syntax

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ; /*this attribute is
optional*/
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ; /*this attribute is
optional*/

```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the maximum toggle rate frequency.

Example

```

index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;

```

```
index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
```

values Complex Attribute

This complex attribute is used to specify the net's maximum toggle rates.

This attribute can be a list of `nindex_1` positive floating-point numbers if the table is one-dimensional.

This attribute can also be `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` positive floating-point numbers if the table is two-dimensional, where `nindex_1` is the size of `index_1` and `nindex_2` is the size of `index_2` that is specified for these two indexes in the `em_max_toggle_rate` group or in the `em_lut_template` group.

Syntax

```
values("float,  
..., float") ;
```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the maximum toggle rate frequency.

Example (One-Dimensional Table)

```
values : ("1.5, 1.0, 0.5") ;
```

Example (Two-Dimensional Table)

```
values : ("2.0, 1.0, 0.5", "1.5, 0.75, 0.33", "1.0, 0.5, 0.15",) ;
```

em_temp_degradation_factor Simple Attribute

The `em_temp_degradation_factor` attribute specifies the electromigration exponential degradation factor.

Syntax

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in centigrade units consistent with other temperature specifications throughout the library.

Example

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : 40.0 ;
```

9.10.4 Scalable Polynomial Electromigration Model

At the library level, use the `poly_template` group to specify cell electromigration polynomial equation variables, variable ranges, voltage mapping, and piecewise data. You can specify the following parameters in the `poly_template` group variables: `input_transition_time`, `total_output_net_capacitance`, `temperature`, and `voltages`.

Syntax

```
library(em_sample) {
  delay_model : polynomial;
  ...
  poly_template(template_namestring) {
    variables(variable_1, variable_2,..., variable_n);
    variable_1_range : (float, float);
    variable_2_range : (float, float);
    ...
    variable_n_range : (float, float);
    mapping(voltage, power_rail_name);
    mapping(voltage1, power_rail_name);
    domain(domain_namestring) {
      calc_mode: calc_mode_1_namestring;
      variable_1_range : (float, float)
      ...
      variable_n_range : (float, float);
      mapping(voltage, power_rail_name);
      mapping(voltage1, power_rail_name);
    }
  }
}
```

Similarly, you can define an electromigration group within the pin group to provide specific parameters of the polynomial representation. The syntax is as follows:

Syntax

```
pin(namestring) {
  ...
  /* em_temp_degradation_factor: float; */
  electromigration() {
    when : "boolean expression";

    em_max_toggle_rate(template_namestring) {
      /* variable ranges are optional
      for overwriting */
      variable_1_range : (float, float);
      /* optional for
      overwriting*/
      variable_2_range : (float, float);
      /* optional for
      overwriting*/
      variable_n_range : (float, float);
      /* optional for
```



```

overwriting */
    orders("float,..., float");
    coefs("float,..., float");
    ...

domain(domain_namestring) {
    variable_i_range : (float, float); /* optional
*/
    ...
    variable_n_range : (float, float); /* optional */

orders("float,..., float");
    coefs("float,..., float");
    }
}
}

```

9.11 Power Modeling for Complex Macro Blocks

This section describes atomic power models of complex design blocks. An atomic power model refers to a black box model of the power characteristics of a complex design block or cell, such as a RAM or a hard macro.

The model represents the power structure, such as power domains, and the cell operation, such as modes and mode transitions.

For atomic power modeling,

- Define mutually exclusive modes and mode transitions of the cell using the `mode_definition` group.
- To model the power for a mode or a mode transition, specify the mode or the mode transition using the `mode` or `event` complex attribute in the corresponding Liberty power group.

The modeling definitions do not require gate-level or RTL descriptions. However, the power models support gate-level, RTL, and transaction-level modeling (TLM) power analysis and optimizations.

The atomic power model has the following advantages over conventional power models:

- Accuracy: correctly predicts the amount and type of power consumed
- Completeness: represents all power events
- Portability: portable between applications for predesign estimation, transaction-level modeling (TLM) simulation, and RTL simulation
- Diagnostic support: Supports segregation of power contribution for diagnostic purposes.
- Usability: Usable across different types of designs

Syntax

Use the following syntax to model power for complex macro blocks.

```

cell(cell_name) {
/*

```

```

Define mutually exclusive modes and mode
transitions
(events) using the mode_definition group
*/

/*
Define internal pins
later referenced by mode_value groups
*/
pin(pin_name){
    direction : internal;
}
...
mode_definition (mode_definition_name){
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true | false;
    default_mode : "default_mode_name";
    initial_mode : "initial_mode_name";
    event_trigger (){
        trigger_transition : "single-pin Boolean
expression";
        event_enable : "Boolean expression";
    }
    mode_value (mode_name){
        mode_value_internal_pin : pin_name;
        when : "Boolean expression";
        sdf_cond : "Boolean expression";
    }
    event_definition (event_name){
        start_mode : "mode_name";
        end_mode : "mode_name";
    }
}
/* Specify modes and mode transitions in Liberty groups
*/
leakage_power (){/* NLPM leakage */
    mode (mode_definition_name, mode_name);/* Mutually exclusive mode
*/
    when : Boolean expression;
    related_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    value : float;
    ...
}
leakage_current (){/* CCS power*/
    mode (mode_definition_name, mode_name);
    /* Mutually exclusive mode */
    pg_current ( pg_pin_name ){
        value : float;
    }
    ...
}

```

```

}
internal_power (){ /* NLPM internal switching energy
*/
    event ( mode_definition_name, event_name );
    /*
    event attribute allows the
    internal_power group in cell group
    */
    when : Boolean expresssion;
    related_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    power (scalar){
        values ("float");
    }
    ...
}
dynamic_current (){ /* CCS power*/
    event ( mode_definition_name, event_name );
    /*
    event attribute allows the
    dynamic_current group in the cell group
    */
    when : Boolean expression;
    ...
    switching_group (){
        pg_current (pg_pin_name){
            ...
        }
    }
}
}
}

```

Use the `mode_definition` group and associated syntax to:

- Define both mutually exclusive and not mutually exclusive modes.
- Specify a trigger event for transitions between mutually exclusive modes.
- Specify a default mode for a set of mutually exclusive modes.
- Specify an initial mode for a set of mutually exclusive modes.
- Define transitions between mutually exclusive modes.
- Define a next mode based on the current mode of the same or another `mode_definition` group.
- Model multiple abstraction levels.
- Associate energy with a mode transition.
- Define leakage and internal power based on the modes and mode transitions.

9.11.1 Defining Mutually Exclusive Modes

Use the `mode_definition` group to define mutually exclusive modes and mode

transitions of a cell. For example, a simple RAM cell can have two modes of operation: read and write.

The power requirements vary in different modes.

mutually_exclusive_mode_values Attribute

The optional *mutually_exclusive_mode_values* attribute, when set to `true`, specifies that all the modes defined within the *mode_definition* group are mutually exclusive. The default is `false`.

default_mode Attribute

The optional *default_mode* attribute specifies the default mode from the mutually exclusive modes defined within the *mode_definition* group.

Use the *default_mode* attribute when the mutually exclusive modes do not explicitly define all the states of the *mode_definition* group. Using this attribute, you can specify a single mode value for multiple modes with similar power characteristics. This eliminates the need to explicitly model each mode.

initial_mode Attribute

The optional *initial_mode* attribute specifies the initial mode from the mutually exclusive modes defined within the *mode_definition* group.

If you do not specify the *initial_mode* attribute, the mode specified by the *default_mode* attribute (if defined) is the initial mode.

Use the *initial_mode* attribute if the initial mode cannot be determined, such as when the *when* attribute conditions of the mutually exclusive modes depend on previous modes. This attribute is useful for probabilistic power calculation methods that require the use of an initial state or mode.

event_trigger Group

The *event_trigger()* group defines:

- An input signal transition that triggers the transitions between the mutually exclusive modes defined within the *mode_definition* group; and
- An optional enable condition for the transition.

A *mode_definition* group can include multiple *event_trigger* groups if multiple input signal transitions cause the mode transitions, such as multiple clock inputs to a bus interface unit.

If you do not define the *event_trigger* group in the *mode_definition* group, the *when* attribute conditions of the mutually exclusive modes are evaluated when any one of the inputs changes. The mode transitions occur based on the input changes.

trigger_transition Attribute

The *trigger_transition* attribute specifies the signal transition to sample the signals specified in the *when* attribute conditions of all the modes defined within the *mode_definition* group.

For a falling signal transition, specify an exclamation mark (!) before or an apostrophe (') after the corresponding pin name. If you specify the exclamation mark or apostrophe, the `when` attribute conditions are evaluated at the falling transition of the pin.

In the following examples, the falling edge of the clock pin triggers the mode transitions:

```
event_trigger () {  
  trigger_transition : "clock' " ;  
}
```

Or

```
event_trigger () {  
  trigger_transition : "!clock" ;  
}
```

For a rising signal transition, specify only the corresponding pin name. If you specify the pin name without the exclamation mark or apostrophe, the `when` attribute conditions are evaluated at the rising transition of the pin.

In the following example, the rising edge of the clock pin triggers the mode transitions:

```
event_trigger () {  
  trigger_transition : "clock" ;  
}
```

Note:

Externally imposed transitions to and from the Z state are not detectable. Therefore, specify pins only for rising (0 to 1) and falling (1 to 0) transitions.

Use the `trigger_transition` attribute to synchronize the mode transitions to a particular signal transition, such as a clock. When this attribute is specified, the mode conditions are evaluated only when the trigger event occurs and not when a mode input changes, enhancing performance.

event_enable Attribute

The optional `event_enable` attribute specifies the logic condition to enable the signal transition specified by the `trigger_transition` attribute.

In the following example, the `trigger_transition` attribute specifies the trigger event as the rising transition of the clock pin, when the select pin is at logic 1.

```
event_trigger () {  
  trigger_transition : "clock";  
  event_enable : "select";  
}
```

When the logic condition is false, the mode conditions are not evaluated, blocking the occurrence of all the events (including events that do not change modes, such as idle mode to idle mode events).

Use the `event_enable` attribute to model clock-gated designs.

mode_value Group

The `mode_value` group defines a mode, and the condition for the mode to occur. When the condition is true, the cell operates in that mode.

mode_value_internal_pin Attribute

The `mode_value_internal_pin` attribute defines an internal pin to indicate if the cell is in a particular mode. If the cell is in the particular mode, the internal pin is at logic 1. Otherwise, it is at logic 0. The particular mode is defined by the `mode_value` group, in which the `mode_value_internal_pin` attribute is defined.

In the following example, the internal pin name is `tx_active`.

```
mode_value_internal_pin : "tx_active" ;
```

Use the internal pin name to represent the mode in the corresponding `when` attribute condition.

Note:

The `when` attribute Boolean condition can include only pins, and not modes.

The logic value of the internal pin is determined as follows:

- At the start of simulation:
 - The logic value is 1 for initial or default mode.
 - The logic value is 0 for all other modes defined in the `mode_definition` group.
 - If the initial or default mode is not specified, the logic values for all the modes defined in the `mode_definition` group are X.
- When a trigger is applied, if the `event_enable` attribute condition is specified and while it is true, and if any one of the `when` attribute conditions of the modes defined in the `mode_definition` group evaluates to true:
 - The logic value becomes 1 for that mode.
 - The logic value becomes 0 for all other modes defined in the `mode_definition` group.

when Attribute

The `when` attribute specifies the logic condition for a cell to operate in a particular mode.

Note:

In a `mode_definition` group where the `mutually_exclusive_mode_values` attribute is set to `true`, you must specify mutually exclusive `when` attribute conditions for different `mode_value` groups.

sdf_cond Attribute

The optional `sdf_cond` attribute supports the Standard Delay Format (SDF) file generation and condition matching during back-annotation.

event_definition Group

The optional `event_definition` group defines an event that causes a change in the energy of a cell, such as a transition from one mode to another.

In the following example, `event_definition` group defines the transition of the cell from the `compute` mode to the `sleep` mode.

```
event_definition (compute_to_sleep) {  
  ...  
}
```

Use the `event_definition` group to define events that cannot be specified only by pin transitions, and change the energy of the cell.

start_mode and end_mode Attributes

The `start_mode` and `end_mode` attributes specify the start mode and the end mode of an event or a mode transition.

In the following example, the `event_definition` group defines a transition from the `idle` mode to the `active` mode.

```
event_definition (I2A) {  
  start_mode : "idle" ;  
  end_mode : "active" ;  
}
```

You must define the start and end modes within the same `mode_definition` group. The start and end modes can be identical. This describes an event where an enabled event trigger occurs but does not change the mode.

To limit a trigger transition to cause transitions from a select set of start modes, specify the Boolean expression of the corresponding `event_enable` attribute as a logic OR operation of the internal pins of the start modes.

You must specify at least one of the `start_mode` and `end_mode` attributes in an `event_definition` group. You need not specify both the `start_mode` and `end_mode` attributes together. This eliminates the need to explicitly define each event or mode transition.

If you do not specify the start mode, a transition is defined from any mode to the specified end mode other than the transition defined in the previous `event_definition` group.

In the following example, a transition is defined from any mode to the active mode in the second `event_definition` group, other than the defined transition from the idle to the active mode in the first `event_definition` group:

```

event_definition (ltoA) {
  start_mode : "idle" ;
  end_mode : "active" ;
}
event_definition (toA) {
  end_mode : "active" ;
}

```

If you do not specify the end mode, a transition is defined from the specified start mode to any mode other than the transition defined in the previous `event_definition` group.

An `event_definition` group without the `start_mode` attribute overrides an `event_definition` group without the `end_mode` attribute.

In the following example, the `event_definition(a)` group and not the `event_definition(b)` group, defines the transition from the Y to the X mode.

```

event_definition (a){
  end_mode: "X"
}
event_definition (b){
  start_mode: "Y ";
}

```

9.11.2 Using Modes to Model Power

To model the power for a mode or a mode transition, specify the mode or the mode transition using the `mode` or `event` complex attribute in the corresponding Liberty power group.

mode Attribute

The `mode` complex attribute specifies the current mode of the cell.

For example, to specify the leakage power of a cell in a given mode, use the `mode` attribute within the `leakage_power` group.

event Attribute

The `event` complex attribute, when inserted in an `internal_power` or `dynamic_current` group, allows that group to appear within a `cell` group rather than a `pin` group. The `internal_power` or `dynamic_current` group defines the energy or current associated with the event.

For example, to specify the internal power for a given mode transition in the `cell` group, define the mode transition using the `event` attribute in the `internal_power` group. A cell-level `internal_power` group must contain an `event` attribute, but does not contain a `mode` attribute. The required modes are defined in the `event_definition` group referenced by the `event` attribute.

In the following example, the `internal_power` group specifies the energy for the `compute_to_sleep` transition of the `all_my_modes` mutually exclusive `mode_definition` group.

```

internal_power () {

```



```

event (all_my_modes, compute_to_sleep);
...
}

```

9.11.3 Examples

This section describes atomic power models for a complex memory cell with mutually exclusive modes.

The memory cell contains three arrays, Array1, Array2, and Array3. All the arrays have a clock pin, two control pins -Enable and CS, a data input bus, an address bus, and a data output bus. The clock and control pins are common to all the arrays. All other inputs and outputs are different. In each array, the rising edge of the clock triggers all the mode transitions. All the arrays start in the Idle state. The three memories operate independent of each other except that they go into the Idle state together.

Array1 has one power, and one ground pin. Array2 has one power and one ground pin, and an additional control input, AST (Active-Standby-Toggle). Array3 has an internal data cache from where data is read, when it is stored in the cache. Otherwise, data is read from a main storage array. Array3 has two power and two ground pins.

[Table 9-5](#), [Table 9-6](#), and [Table 9-7](#) describe the operation of each of the arrays.

Table 9-5 State Description of Array1

Enable	CS1	CS2	CS3	AST	CacheHit (Internal)	Previous state	Next state
0	X	X	X	X	X	X	Idle
1	0	X	X	X	X	X	Standby
1	1	X	X	X	X	X	Active

Table 9-6 State Description of Array2

Enable	CS1	CS2	CS3	AST	CacheHit (Internal)	Previous state	Next state
0	X	X	X	X	X	X	Idle
1	X	0	X	X	X	X	Standby
1	X	1	X	0	X	X	Active
1	X	1	X	1	X	Standby	Active
1	X	1	X	1	X	Active	Standby

Table 9-7 State Description of Array3

Enable	CS1	CS2	CS3	AST	CacheHit (Internal)	Previous state	Next state

0	X	X	X	X	X	X	Idle
1	X	X	X	0	X	X	Standby
1	X	X	X	1	0	X	ActiveMiss
1	X	X	X	1	1	X	ActiveHit

X denotes a don't care condition.

[Example 9-8](#) shows the use of mutually exclusive modes to describe the nonlinear power model (NLPM) leakage power for Array1.

Example 9-8 Use of Mutually Exclusive Modes to Describe Nonlinear Power Model Leakage Power for Array1

```

/* Begin mode definitions */
mode_definition(array1) {
  mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true ;
  initial_mode : "Idle" ;
  mode_value(Idle) {
    when : "!Enable";
  }
  mode_value(Active) {
    when : "Enable & CS1";
  }
  mode_value(Standby) {
    when : "Enable & !CS1";
  }
}
/* Begin leakage power definitions */
leakage_power () {
  mode (array1, Idle);
  value: 0.5;
}
leakage_power () {
  mode (array1, Active);
  value: 6.0;
}
leakage_power () {
  mode (array1, Standby);
  value: 4.0;
}

```

[Example 9-9](#) shows the use of the `event` attribute to describe the NLPM internal power for Array 1.

Example 9-9 Use of the event Attribute to Describe Nonlinear Power Model Internal Power for Array1

```

/* Begin mode definitions */
mode_definition(array1) {
  mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
  initial_mode : "Idle" ;
  mode_value(Idle) {
    when : "!Enable";
  }
  mode_value(Active) {
    when : "Enable & CS1";
  }
  mode_value(Standby) {
    when : "Enable & !CS1";
  }
  event_definition (I2A) { /* event named */
    start_mode : "Idle" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
  }
  event_definition (all2S) {
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
  }
  event_definition (I2I) {
    start_mode : "Idle" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
  }
  event_definition (A2I) {
    start_mode : "Active" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
  }
  event_definition (A2A) {
    start_mode : "Active" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
  }
  event_definition (S2I) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
  }
  event_definition (S2A) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
  }
}
} /* end mode_definition(array1) */
/* Begin internal_power definitions
   for mode transitions of array1 */
internal_power () {
  event (array1, I2A);
  value : 2.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
  event (array1, all2S) ;
  value : 1.1 ;
}

```

```

}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, I2I);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, A2I);
    value : 1.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, A2A);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, S2I);
    value : 0.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, S2A);
    value : 1.8 ;
}
}

```

[Example 9-10](#) shows the use of mutually exclusive modes to describe the composite current source (CCS) leakage current for Array1.

Example 9-10 Use of Mutually Exclusive Modes to Describe CCS Leakage Current for Array1

```

cell (mode_operation) {
...
mode_definition(array1) { /* mode definitions */
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
    initial_mode : "Idle" ;
    mode_value(Idle) {
        when : "!Enable";
    }
    mode_value(Active) {
        when : "Enable & CS1";
    }
    mode_value(Standby) {
        when : "Enable & !CS1";
    }
}
...
leakage_current () { /* leakage current definitions */
    mode (array1, Idle);
    pg_current (VDD) {
        value: 1.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {

```

```

        value: -2.0 ;
    }
}
leakage_current () {
    mode (array1, Active);
    pg_currrent (VDD) {
        value: 6.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {
        value: -9.0 ;
    }
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array1, Standby);
    pg_currrent (VDD) {
        value: 3.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {
        value: -5.0 ;
    }
}
}
}

```

[Example 9-11](#) shows the use of the event attribute to describe the CCS dynamic current for Array1.

Example 9-11 Use of the event Attribute to Describe CCS Dynamic Current for Array1

```

/* Begin mode definitions */
mode_definition(array1) {
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
    initial_mode : "Idle" ;
    mode_value(Idle) {
        when : "!Enable";
    }
    mode_value(Active) {
        when : "Enable & CS1";
    }
    mode_value(Standby) {
        when : "Enable & !CS1";
    }
}
/* Begin event_energy definitions for mode transitions of array1
*/
dynamic_current () {
    event (array1, I2A);
    pg_current (VDD) {
        vector(test_1) {
            reference_time : 23.7;
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

        index_1("0.1");
        index_2("0.1");
        index_3("1.0");
        index_4("1 2 3 4 5");
        values("1 2 3 4 5");
    }
}
...
}
dynamic_current () {
    event (array1, all2S);
    pg_current (VDD) {
        vector(test_1) {
            reference_time : 54.1;
            index_1("0.1");
            index_2("0.1");
            index_3("1.0");
            index_4("1 2 3 4 5");
            values("1 2 3 4 5");
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

[Example 9-12](#) shows the use of mutually exclusive modes to describe the CCS variation-aware leakage current for Array1.

Example 9-12 Use of Mutually Exclusive Modes to Describe CCS Variation-Aware Leakage Current for Array1

```

/* Begin mode definitions */
mode_definition(array1) {
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
    initial_mode : "Idle" ;
    mode_value(Idle) {
        when : "!Enable";
    }
    mode_value(Active) {
        when : "Enable & CS1";
    }
    mode_value(Standby) {
        when : "Enable & !CS1";
    }
}
/* Begin variation-aware leakage current definitions */
cell_based_variation () {
    va_parameters (var1, var2);
    nominal_va_values (2.0, 2.0);
    va_leakage_current () {
        mode (array1, Idle);
    }
}

```

```

    va_values (1.0, 3.0);
    pg_currrent (VDD) {
        value: 1.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {
        value: -2.0 ;
    }
}
va_leakage_current () {
    mode (array1, Active);
    va_values (1.0, 3.0);
    pg_currrent (VDD) {
        value: 6.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {
        value: -9.0 ;
    }
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array1, Standby);
    va_values (1.0, 3.0);
    pg_currrent (VDD) {
        value: 3.0 ;
    }
    pg_currrent (VSS) {
        value: -5.0 ;
    }
}
}

```

[Example 9-13](#) shows an NLPM atomic power model of the memory cell described in [Table 9-5](#), [Table 9-6](#), and [Table 9-7](#). The model contains three `mode_definition` groups that represent three sets of mutually exclusive modes. The sets are not mutually exclusive. The common Enable signal to all the arrays indicates that all the three arrays go into the Idle mode together. When enabled, Array2 toggles between the Active and Standby modes indicating internal control states.

Example 9-13 NLPM Atomic Power Model of Memory Cell

```

cell (Three_arrays) { /* Begin pin definitions */
    pin (Clock) {
        direction : input; /* common to all the arrays */
    }
    pin (Enable) {
        direction : input; /* common to all the arrays */
    }
    pin (AST) {
        direction : input; /* common to all the arrays */
    }
    pin (CS1) { /* chip select for array 1 */
        direction : input;
    }
}

```

```

}
pin (CS2) { /* chip select for array 2 */
    direction : input;
}
pin (CS3) { /* chip select for array 3 */
    direction : input;
}
pin (RWB1) { /* RdWrBar for array 1 */
    direction : input;
}
pin (RWB2) { /* RdWrBar for array 2 */
    direction : input;
}
pin (RWB3) { /* RdWrBar for array 3 */
    direction : input;
}
pin (array2_active) { /* mode_value_internal_pin */
    direction : internal;
}
pin (array2_standby) { /* mode_value_internal_pin */
    direction : internal;
}
pin (CacheHit) { /* CacheHit is an internal signal */
    direction : internal;
}
}
bus (Addr1) { /* address bus for array 1 */
    direction : input;
    pin (Addr1[0:15]) {
    }
}
bus (Addr2) { /* address bus for array 2 */
    direction : input;
    pin (Addr2[0:11]) {
    }
}
bus (Addr3) { /* address bus for array 3 */
    direction : input;
    pin (Addr3[0:11]) {
    }
}
bus (DataIn1) { /* input data bus for array 1 */
    direction : input;
    pin (DataIn1[0:7]) {
    }
}
bus (DataIn2) { /* input data bus for array 2 */
    direction : input;
    pin (DataIn2[0:7]) {
    }
}
}

```



```

bus (DataIn3) { /* input data bus for array 3 */
    direction : input;
    pin (DataIn3[0:7]) {
    }
}
bus (DataOut1) { /* output data bus for array 1 */
    direction : output;
    pin (DataOut1[0:7]) {
    }
}
bus (DataOut2) { /* output data bus for array 2 */
    direction : output;
    pin (DataOut[0:7]) {
    }
}
bus (DataOut3) { /* output data bus for array 3 */
    direction : output;
    pin (DataOut3[0:7]) {
    }
}
pg_pin (VDD) {
    voltage_name : VDD;
    pg_type : primary_power;
}
pg_pin (VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
}
pg_pin (VDD1) {
    voltage_name : VDD1;
    pg_type : backup_power;
}
pg_pin (VSS1) {
    voltage_name : VSS1;
    pg_type : backup_ground;
}
/* Begin mode definitions */
mode_definition(array1) {
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
    initial_mode : "Idle" ;
    event_trigger () {
        trigger_transition : "clock"; /* trigger for mode transitions
*/
    }
    mode_value(Idle) {
        when : "!Enable";
    }
    mode_value(Active) {
        when : "Enable & CS1";
    }
}

```

```

mode_value(Standby) {
    when : "Enable & !CS1";
}
event_definition (I2A) { /* event named */
    start_mode : "Idle" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (I2S) {
    start_mode : "Idle" ;
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
event_definition (I2I) {
    start_mode : "Idle" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (A2S) {
    start_mode : "Active" ;
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
event_definition (A2I) {
    start_mode : "Active" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (A2A) {
    start_mode : "Active" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (S2I) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (S2A) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (S2S) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
} /* end mode_definition(array1) */
mode_definition(array2) {
    mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;
    initial_mode : "Idle" ;
    event_trigger () {
        trigger_transition : "clock"; /* trigger for mode transitions
*/
    }
    default_mode: "Idle";          /* optional */
    mode_value(Idle) {
        when : "!Enable";

```

```

}
mode_value(Active) {
  mode_value_internal_pin : "array2_active";
  when : "Enable & CS2 & (!AST | array2_standby)";
}
mode_value(Standby) {
  mode_value_internal_pin : "array2_standby";
  when : "Enable & (!CS2 | array2_active)";
}
event_definition (I2A) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (I2S) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
/* event I2I is defined to exclude it from X2I below */
event_definition (I2I) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (A2S) {
  start_mode : "Active" ;
  end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
/* event X2I defines all transitions to idle from other modes
*/
event_definition (X2I) {
  end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (A2A) {
  start_mode : "Active" ;
  end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (S2I) {
  start_mode : "Standby" ;
  end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (S2A) {
  start_mode : "Standby" ;
  end_mode : "Active" ;
}
event_definition (S2S) {
  start_mode : "Standby" ;
  end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
} /* end mode_definition(array2) */
mode_definition(array3) {
  mutually_exclusive_mode_values : true;

```

```

initial_mode : "Idle" ;
event_trigger () {
  trigger_transition : "clock"; /* trigger for mode transitions
*/
}
mode_value(Idle) {
  when : "!Enable";
}
mode_value(ActiveMiss) {
  when : "Enable & CS3 & !CacheHit";
}
mode_value(ActiveHit) {
  when : "Enable & CS3 & CacheHit";
}
mode_value(Standby) {
  when : "Enable & !CS3";
}
event_definition (I2AH) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
}
event_definition (I2AM) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
}
event_definition (I2S) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
event_definition (I2I) {
  start_mode : "Idle" ;
  end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (AH2S) {
  start_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
  end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
event_definition (AH2I) {
  start_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
  end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (AH2AM) {
  start_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
  end_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
}
event_definition (AH2AH) {
  start_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
  end_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
}
event_definition (AM2S) {

```

```

    start_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
event_definition (AM2I) {
    start_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (AM2AH) {
    start_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
    end_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
}
event_definition (AM2AM) {
    start_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
    end_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
}
event_definition (S2I) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Idle" ;
}
event_definition (S2AH) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "ActiveHit" ;
}
event_definition (S2AM) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "ActiveMiss" ;
}
event_definition (S2S) {
    start_mode : "Standby" ;
    end_mode : "Standby" ;
}
} /* end mode_definition(array3) */
/* Begin leakage power definitions */
leakage_power () {
    mode (array1, Idle);
    value: 0.5;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array1, Active);
    value: 6.0;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array1, Standby);
    value: 4.0;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array2, Idle);
    value: 0.5;
}
leakage_power () {

```

```

    mode (array2, Active);
    value: 5.0;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array2, Standby);
    value: 2.0;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array3, Idle);
    value: 1.3;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array3, ActiveMiss);
    value: 9.3;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array3, ActiveHit);
    value: 8.3;
}
leakage_power () {
    mode (array3, Standby);
    value: 3.3;
}
/* Begin internal_power definitions for mode transitions
*/
internal_power () {
    event (array1, I2A);
    value : 2.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, I2S) ;
    value : 1.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, I2I);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, A2S);
    value : 1.5 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, A2I);
    value : 1.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, A2A);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {

```

```

    event (array1, S2I);
    value : 0.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, S2A);
    value : 1.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array1, S2S);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, I2A);
    value : 2.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, I2S);
    value : 1.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, I2I);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, A2S);
    value : 1.5 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, X2I);
    value : 1.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, A2A);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, S2A);
    value : 1.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array2, S2S);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () { /* energy from default power and ground pin set
*/
    event (array3, I2AM);
    value : 3.0 ;
}
internal_power () { /* energy from second power and ground pin set
*/

```

```

    event (array3, I2AM);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2AH);
    value : 2.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2AH);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2S);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2S);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2I);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, I2I);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2S);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2S);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.5 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2I);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2I);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.3 ;
}
internal_power () {

```



```

    event (array3, AH2AM);
    value : 3.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2AM);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2AH);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AH2AH);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2S);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2S);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.5 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2I);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2I);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.3 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2AH);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2AH);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2AM);
    value : 3.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, AM2AM);

```

```

    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2I);
    value : 0.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2I);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2AM);
    value : 3.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2AM);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2AH);
    value : 1.0 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2AH);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.8 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2S);
    value : 0.4 ;
}
internal_power () {
    event (array3, S2S);
    related_pg_pin : VDD1 ;
    value : 0.1 ;
}
}

```

10. Advanced Low-Power Modeling

Advanced low-power design methodologies such as multivoltage and multithreshold-CMOS require new library cells. These new cells need additional modeling attributes to drive implementation tools during library cell selection. Liberty syntax is continually being enhanced with attributes and statements to support tool features for low power designs.

This chapter describes the power and ground (PG) pin syntax and gives examples for level-shifter, enable level-shifter, isolation cells (special cells used to connect the netlist in the different power domains to meet design constraints), and retention cells (a sequential cell block that is used to store the state of the sequential element during the power down state). Going forward, all low-power syntax modeling enhancements is based on the new power and ground pin syntax.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Power and Ground \(PG\) Pins](#)
- [Level-Shifter Cells in a Multivoltage Design](#)
- [Isolation Cell Modeling](#)
- [Macro Cell Modeling](#)
- [Silicon-on-Insulator \(SOI\) Cell Modeling](#)
- [Switch Cell Modeling](#)
- [Retention Cell Modeling](#)
- [Always-On Cell Modeling](#)
- [Modeling Antenna Diodes](#)

10.1 Power and Ground (PG) Pins

Liberty provides support for power and ground (PG) library pins. A power pin is defined as a current source pin, and a ground pin is defined as a current sink pin. This section provides an overview of the support for PG pins.

10.1.1 Partial PG Pin Cell Modeling

Partial PG pin cells are cells that have power PG pins only, ground PG pins only, or cells that do not have power or ground PG pins. Partial PG pin cells are defined in the following categories:

Table 10-1 Partial PG Pin Cell Categories

Partial PG Pin Cell	Description
Cells with one power pin and one ground pin	These cells are defined as having One or more primary power PG pins One or more primary ground PG pins Zero, or at least one, backup or internal power PG pins Zero, or at least one, backup or internal ground PG pins Zero, or at least one, nwell bias PG pins Zero, or at least one, pwell bias PG pins

Cells with one power pin and no ground pins	These cells are defined as having One or more primary power PG pins No primary ground PG pins Zero, or at least one, backup or internal power PG pins Zero, or at least one, backup or internal ground PG pins Zero, or at least one, nwell bias PG pins Zero, or at least one, pwell bias PG pins
Cells with no power pins and one ground pin	These cells are defined as having No primary power PG pins At least one primary ground PG pin Zero, or at least one, backup or internal power PG pins Zero, or at least one, backup or internal ground PG pins Zero, or at least one, nwell bias PG pins Zero, or at least one, pwell bias PG pins
Cells with no power pins or ground pins	These cells are defined as having No primary power PG pins No primary ground PG pins No backup or internal power PG pin No backup or internal ground PG pin Zero, or at least one, nwell bias PG pins Zero, or at least one, pwell bias PG pins

Special Partial PG Pin Cells

The following types of partial PG cells are acceptable with certain conditions. However, the tool issues a warning message and stores them in the library database file:

- ETM cells
ETM cells do not need to have a pair of PG pins. A cell is identified as an ETM cell if it has either the `interface_timing` attribute or the `timing_model_type` attribute specified.
- Black box cells
A black box cell with no timing, noise, or power information does not need to have at least one power pin and one ground PG pin.
- Metal fills and antenna cells
Black box cells without functions do not need to have at least power pin and one ground pin.
- Cells without signal pins
Cells without signal pins do not need to have at least one power pin and one ground PG pin.
- Load cells
Cells without inout or output signal pins are required to have only one PG pin, either a power pin or a ground pin, but it is not necessary to have both.
- Tied-off cells and extensions
The following types of cells can be specified with one power pin and no ground PG pins:
 - Cells with at least one inout or output pin with the `function` attribute set to 1.
 - Cells with a pull-up signal, for example with the `driver_type` attribute set to `pull_up` or `pull_up_function`.
 - Cells with a `resistive_1` signal, for example with the `driver_type` attribute set to `resistive_1` or `resistive_1_function`.

The following types of cells can be specified with no power pins and one ground

PG pin:

- Cells with at least one inout or output pin with the `function` attribute set to 0.
- Cells with a pull-down signal, for example with the `driver_type` attribute set to `pull_down` or `pull_down_function`.
- Cells with a `resistive_0` signal, for example with the `driver_type` attribute set to `resistive_0` or `resistive_0_function`.

Supported Attributes

Cells with at least one power pin and no ground pins, cells with no power pins and at least one ground pin, and cells with no power pins or ground pins can support the following attributes:

- To prevent a cell from being inserted automatically into the netlist, specify the `dont_touch` attribute or the `dont_use` attribute. The `dont_touch` attribute set to `true` indicates that all instances of the cell must remain in the network. The `dont_use` attribute set to `true` indicates that a cell should not be added to a design during optimization.
- Cells with partial PG pins are reported by using the following attributes:
 - `1p0g`
Reports cells with at least one power pin and no ground PG pins.
 - `0p1g`
Reports cells with no power pins and at least one ground PG pin.
 - `0p0g`
Reports cells with no power pins or ground PG pins.

Partial PG Pin Cell Example

[Example 10-1](#) shows a cell with only one primary ground pin.

Example 10-1 Partial PG Pin Cell With Only One Primary Ground Pin

```
cell (PULLDOWN) {
    pg_pin ( VSS ) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
    }

    area : 1.0;
    dont_touch : true;
    dont_use : true;

    pin (X) {
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
        direction : output;
        function : "0";
        three_state : "!A";
        max_capacitance : 0.19;
    }
}
```

```

timing() {
    related_pin : "A";
    timing_type : three_state_enable;
    cell_rise(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    rise_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    cell_fall(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    fall_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
}
timing() {
    related_pin : "A";
    timing_type : three_state_disable;
    cell_rise(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    rise_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    cell_fall(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    fall_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
}
}
}
pin (A) {
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    rise_capacitance : 0.1;
    rise_capacitance_range (0.1, 0.2);
    fall_capacitance : 0.1;
    fall_capacitance_range (0.1, 0.2);
}
}

```

10.1.2 PG Pin Syntax

The power and ground pin syntax for general cells is as follows:

```

library(library_name) {
    ...
    voltage_map(voltage_name, voltage_value);
    voltage_map(voltage_name, voltage_value);
    ...
    operating_conditions(oc_name) {
        ...
        voltage : value;
        ...
    }
    ...
    default_operating_conditions : oc_name;
    cell(cell_name) {
        pg_pin (pg_pin_name_p1) {
            voltage_name : voltage_name_p1;
            pg_type : type_value;
        }
        pg_pin (pg_pin_name_g1) {

```

```

    voltage_name : voltage_name_g1;
    pg_type : type_value;
}
pg_pin (pg_pin_name_p2) {
    voltage_name : voltage_name_p2;
    pg_type : type_value;
}
pg_pin (pg_pin_name_g2) {
    voltage_name : voltage_name_g2;
    pg_type : type_value;
}
...
leakage_power() {
    related_pg_pin : pg_pin_name_p1;
    ...
}
...
pin (pin_name1) {
    direction : input | inout;
    related_power_pin : pg_pin_name_p1;
    related_ground_pin : pg_pin_name_g1;
    ...
}
...
pin (pin_name2) {
    direction : inout/output;
    power_down_function : (!pg_pin_name_p1 + !pg_pin_name_p2 +
\
        !pg_pin_name_g1 + !pg_pin_name_g2) ;
    related_power_pin : pg_pin_namen_p2;
    related_ground_pin : pg_pin_namen_g2;
    internal_power() {
        related_pg_pin : pg_pin_name_p2;
        ...
    } /* end internal_power group */
    ...
} /* end pin group */
...
} /* end cell group */
...
} /* end library group */

```

10.1.3 Library-Level Attributes

This section describes library-level attributes.

voltage_map Complex Attribute

The library-level `voltage_map` attribute associates the voltage name with the relative voltage values. These specified voltage names are referenced by the `pg_pin` groups

defined at the cell level. If specified in a library, this syntax identifies the library to be a power and ground pin library.

default_operating_conditions Simple Attribute

The `default_operating_conditions` attribute is required to specify explicitly the `default_operating_conditions` group in the library, which helps to identify the operating condition process, voltage, and temperature (PVT) points that are used during library characterization. At least one voltage map in the library should have a value of 0, which becomes the reference value to which other voltage map values relate.

10.1.4 Cell-Level Attributes

This section describes cell-level attributes for `pg_pin` groups.

pg_pin Group

The `pg_pin` groups are used to represent the power and ground pins of a cell. Library cells can have multiple power and ground pins. The `pg_pin` groups are mandatory for each cell using the power and ground pin syntax, and a cell must have at least one `primary_power` power pin and at least one `primary_ground` ground pin.

is_pad Simple Attribute

The `is_pad` attribute identifies a pad pin on any I/O cell. The valid values are `true` and `false`. You can also specify the `is_pad` attribute on a PG pin. If the cell-level `pad_cell` attribute is specified on an I/O cell, you must set the `is_pad` attribute to `true` in either a `pg_pin` group or on a signal pin for that cell.

voltage_name Simple Attribute

The `voltage_name` string attribute is mandatory in all `pg_pin` groups. The `voltage_name` attribute specifies the associated voltage name of the power and ground pin defined using the `voltage_map` complex attribute at the library level.

pg_type Simple Attribute

The `pg_type` attribute, optional in `pg_pin` groups, specifies the type of power and ground pin. The `pg_type` attribute can have the following values: `primary_power`, `primary_ground`, `backup_power`, `backup_ground`, `internal_power`, `internal_ground`, `pwell`, `nwell`, `deepnwell` and `deeppwell`.

The `pg_type` attribute also supports substrate-bias modeling. *Substrate bias* is a technique in which a *bias voltage* is varied on the substrate terminal of a CMOS device. This increases the threshold voltage, the voltage required by the transistor to switch, which helps reduce transistor power leakage. The `pg_type` attribute provides the `pwell`, `nwell`, `deepnwell` and `deeppwell` values to support substrate-bias modeling. The `pwell` and `nwell` values specify regular wells, and `deeppwell` and `deepnwell` specify isolation wells.

[Table 10-2](#) describes the `pg_type` values.

Table 10-2 pg_type Values

Value	Description
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primary_power	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is a primary power source (the default). If the <code>pg_type</code> attribute is not specified, <code>primary_power</code> is the <code>pg_type</code> value.
primary_ground	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is a primary ground source.
backup_power	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is a backup (secondary) power source (for retention registers, always-on logic, and so on).
backup_ground	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is a backup (secondary) ground source (for retention registers, always-on logic, and so on).
internal_power	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is an internal power source for switch cells.
internal_ground	Specifies that <code>pg_pin</code> is an internal ground source for switch cells.
pwell	Specifies regular p-wells for substrate-bias modeling.
nwell	Specifies regular n-wells for substrate-bias modeling.
deepnwell	Specifies isolation n-wells for substrate-bias modeling.
deppwell	Specifies isolation p-wells for substrate-bias modeling.

physical_connection Simple Attribute

The `physical_connection` attribute can have the following values: `device_layer` and `routing_pin`. The `device_layer` value specifies that the bias connection is physically external to the cell. In this case, the library provides biasing tap cells that connect through the device layers. The `routing_pin` value specifies that the bias connection is inside a cell and is exported as a physical geometry and a routing pin. Macros with pin access generally use the `routing_pin` value if the cell has bias pins with geometry that is visible in the physical view.

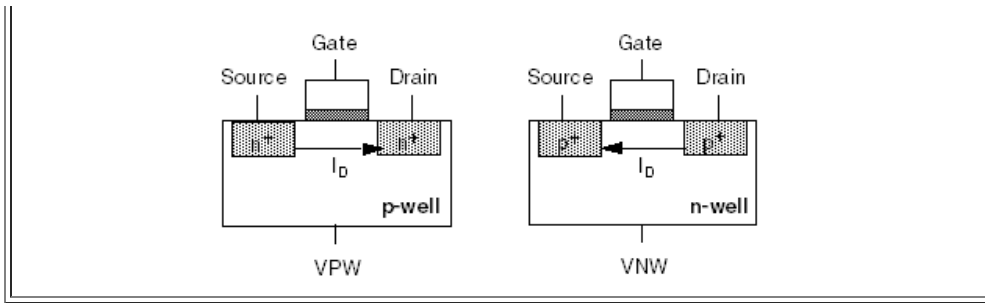
related_bias_pin Attribute

The `related_bias_pin` attribute defines all bias pins associated with a power or ground pin within a cell. The `related_bias_pin` attribute is required only when the attribute is declared in a pin group but it does not specify a complete relationship between the bias pin and power and ground pin for a library cell.

The `related_bias_pin` attribute also defines all bias pins associated with a signal pin. To associate substrate-bias pins to signal pins, use the `related_bias_pin` attribute to specify one of the following `pg_type` values: `pwell`, `nwell`, `deppwell`, `deepnwell`. [Figure 10-1](#) shows transistors with p-well and n-well substrate-bias pins.

Figure 10-1 Transistors With p-well and n-well Substrate-Bias Pins





user_pg_type Simple Attribute

The `user_pg_type` optional attribute allows you to customize the type of power and ground pin. It accepts any string value. The following example shows a `pg_pin` library with the `user_pg_type` attribute specified.

10.1.5 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes pin-level attributes.

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` string attribute specifies the Boolean condition under which the cell's output pin is switched off by the state of the power and ground pins (when the cell is in off mode due to the external power pin states).

You specify the `power_down_function` attribute for combinational and sequential cells. For simple and complex sequential cells, `power_down_function` also determines the condition of the cell's internal state.

For more information about using the `power_down_function` attribute for sequential cells, see the "Defining Sequential Cells" chapter.

related_power_pin and related_ground_pin Attributes

The `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attributes are defined at the pin level for output, input, and inout pins. The attributes are used to associate a predefined power and ground pin with the corresponding signal pins under which they are defined.

If you do not specify the `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attribute values, the following defaults are used:

- The primary power and primary ground pins are related to the signal pins. This behavior only applies to standard cells. For special cells, you must specify this relationship explicitly.
- The first `pg_pin` that has the `pg_type` attribute set to `primary_power` becomes the default value for the `related_power_pin` attribute.
- The first `pg_pin` that has the `pg_type` attribute set to `primary_ground` becomes the default value for the `related_ground_pin` attribute.

In a library based on power and ground pin syntax, the `pg_pin` groups are mandatory for each cell, and a cell must have at least one `primary_power` power pin and at least one `primary_ground` ground pin. Therefore, a default `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` always exists in any cell.

output_signal_level_low and output_signal_level_high Attributes

The `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` attributes can be defined at the pin level for the output pins and inout pins. The regular signal swings are derived for regular cells using the `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` specifications.

input_signal_level_low and input_signal_level_high Attributes

The `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` attributes can be defined at the pin level for the input pins. The regular signal swings are derived for regular cells using the `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` specifications.

related_pg_pin Attribute

The `related_pg_pin` attribute is used to associate a power and ground pin with leakage power and internal power tables. (The leakage power and internal power tables must be associated with the cell's power and ground pins.)

In the absence of a `related_pg_pin` attribute, the `internal_power` and `leakage_power` specifications apply to the whole cell (cell-specific power specification).

[Table 10-3](#) lists the power and ground pin attributes and groups in the old syntax and maps them to the attributes and groups in the new syntax, introduced in the Y-2006.06 release.

Table 10-3 Power and Ground Pin Syntax Changes

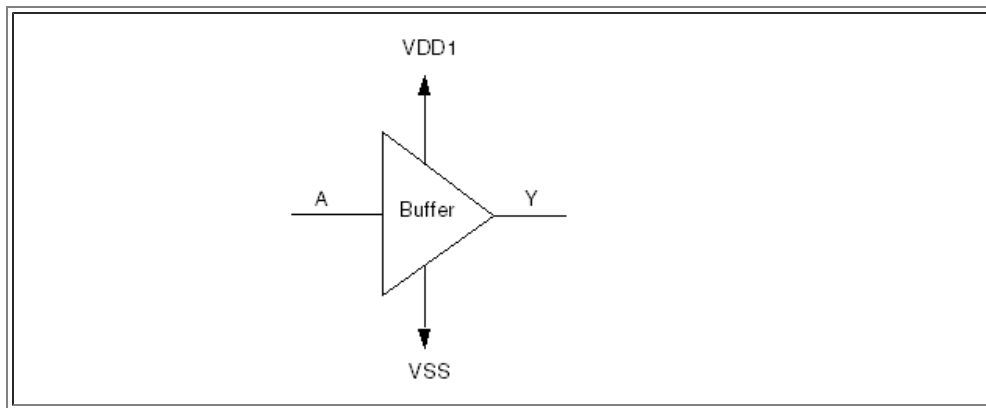
Old syntax	New syntax
<code>nom_voltage</code> simple attribute	no change
<code>power_supply</code> group	<code>voltage_map</code> complex attribute
<code>rail_connection</code> complex attribute	<code>pg_pin</code> group
<code>power_level</code> simple attribute	<code>related_pg_pin</code> simple attribute
<code>input_voltage / output_voltage</code> groups	no change
<code>input_voltage / output_voltage</code> simple attributes	no change
<code>input_signal_level</code> simple attribute	<code>related_power_pin</code> and <code>related_ground_pin</code> attributes (plus <code>input_signal_level</code> to model overdrive cells)
<code>output_signal_level</code> simple attribute	<code>related_power_pin</code> and <code>related_ground_pin</code> simple attributes
<code>input_signal_level_low / input_signal_level_high</code> simple attributes	no change

output_signal_level_low/ output_signal_level_high simple attributes	no change
operating_condition with power_rail attributes	The power_rail attribute no longer needs to be defined in the operating_conditions group

10.1.6 Standard Cell With One Power and Ground Pin Example

Figure 10-2 shows a standard cell with a power and ground pin. The figure is followed by an example.

Figure 10-2 Standard Cell Buffer Schematic



```

library(standard_cell_library_example) {

    voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
    voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);

    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        voltage : 1.0;
        ...
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

    cell(BUF) {

        pg_pin(VDD) {
            voltage_name : VDD;
            pg_type : primary_power;
        }
        pg_pin(VSS) {
            voltage_name : VSS;
            pg_type : primary_ground;
        }
    }
}

```

```

}

leakage_power() {
    related_pg_pin : VDD;
    when : "!A";
    value : 1.5;
}

pin(A) {
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;

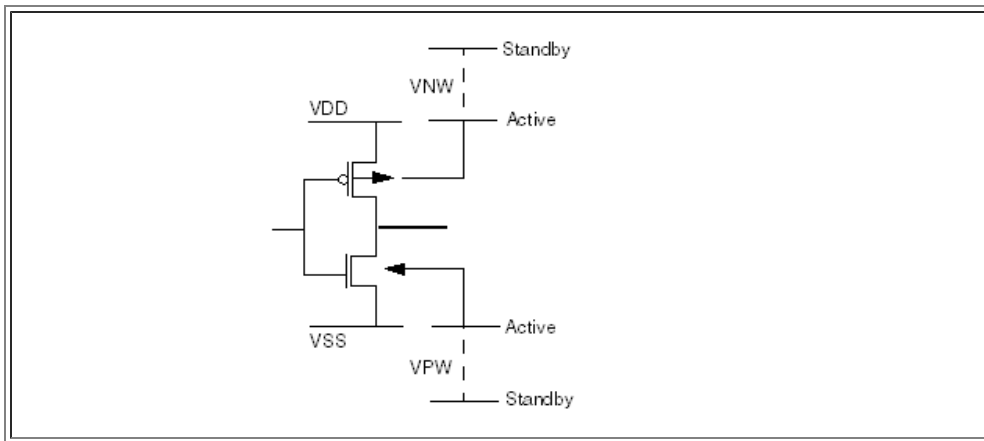
    timing() {
        related_pin : A;
        cell_rise(template) {
            ...
        }
        cell_fall(template) {
            ...
        }
        rise_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
        fall_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
    }
    internal_power() {
        related_pin : A;
        related_pg_pin : VDD;
        ...
    }
}/* end pin group*/
...
}/*end cell group*/
...
}/*end library group*/

```

10.1.7 Inverter With Substrate-Bias Pins Example

Figure 10-3 shows an inverter with substrate-bias pins. The figure is followed by an example.

Figure 10-3 Inverter With Substrate-Bias Pins



```
library(low_power_cells) {

    delay_model : table_lookup;

    /* unit attributes */
    time_unit : "1ns";
    voltage_unit : "1V";
    current_unit : "1mA";
    pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
    leakage_power_unit : "1pW";
    capacitive_load_unit (1.0,pf);

    voltage_map(VDD, 0.8); /* primary power */
    voltage_map(VSS, 0.0); /* primary ground */
    voltage_map(VNW, 0.8); /* bias power */
    voltage_map(VPW, 0.0); /* bias ground */

    /* operation conditions */
    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        process : 1;
        temperature : 125;
        voltage : 0.8;
        tree_type : balanced_tree
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;
}
```

```

/* threshold definitions */
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0;
input_threshold_pct_fall      : 50.0;
input_threshold_pct_rise      : 50.0;
output_threshold_pct_fall     : 50.0;
output_threshold_pct_rise     : 50.0;

/* default attributes */
default_leakage_power_density : 0.0;
default_cell_leakage_power    : 0.0;
default_fanout_load           : 1.0;
default_output_pin_cap        : 0.0;
default_inout_pin_cap         : 0.1;
default_input_pin_cap         : 0.1;
default_max_transition        : 1.0;

cell(std_cell_inv) {
    cell_footprint : inv;
    area : 1.0;
    pg_pin(VDD) {
        voltage_name : VDD;
        pg_type : primary_power;
        related_bias_pin : "VNW";
    }
    pg_pin(VSS) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
        related_bias_pin : "VPW";
    }
    pg_pin(VNW) {
        voltage_name : VNW;
        pg_type : nwell;
        physical_connection : device_layer;
    }
    pg_pin(VPW) {
        voltage_name : VPW;
        pg_type : pwell;
        physical_connection : device_layer;
    }

    pin(A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
}

```

```

    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    related_bias_pin : "VPW VNW";
}
pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    function : "A";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    related_bias_pin : "VPW VNW";
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS + VNW' + VPW";
    internal_power() {
        related_pg_pin : VDD;
        related_pin : "A";
        rise_power(scalar) { values ( "1.0");}
        fall_power(scalar) { values ( "1.0");}
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_sense : positive_unate;
        cell_rise(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        rise_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        cell_fall(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        fall_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    }
    max_capacitance : 0.1;
}
cell_leakage_power : 1.0;
leakage_power() {
    when : "!A";
    value : 1.5;
}
leakage_power() {
    when : "A";
    value : 0.5;
}
}
}

```

10.2 Level-Shifter Cells in a Multivoltage Design

Level-shifter cells (or buffer-type level-shifter cells) and isolation cells are used to connect the netlist in different power domains, to meet design constraints. In multivoltage and shut-down designs, both level shifting and isolation are required. An enable level-shifter cell fulfills both these requirements because it can function as an isolation or a level-shifter cell.

Implementation tools need the following information about level-shifter cells from the cell library:

- Which power and ground pin of the level-shifter cell is used for voltage boundary hookup during its insertion. This information allows the optimization tools to determine on which side of the voltage boundary a particular level-shifter cell is allowed.
- Which voltage conversions the particular level-shifter cell can handle. Specifically, does the level-shifter cell work for conversion from high voltage to low voltage (HL), from low voltage to high voltage (LH), or both (HL_LH)?
- What the input and output voltage ranges are for a level-shifter cell under all operating conditions.

10.2.1 Operating Voltages

In a multivoltage design, each design instance can operate at its specified operating voltage. Therefore, each voltage must correspond to one or more logical hierarchies. All cells in a hierarchy operate at the same voltage except for level shifters.

The operating voltages are annotated on the top design, design instances, or hierarchical ports through PVT operating conditions.

10.2.2 Level Shifter Functionality

A level shifter functions like a buffer, except that the input pin and output pin voltages are different. These cells are necessary in a multivoltage design because the nets connecting pins at two different operating voltages can cause a design violation. Level shifters provide these nets with the needed voltage adjustments.

A level shifter has two components:

- Two power supplies
- Specified input and output voltages

The functionality of level shifters includes

- Identifying nets in the design that need voltage adjustments
- Analyzing the target library for the availability of level shifters
- Ripping the net and instantiating level shifters where appropriate

10.2.3 Basic Level-Shifter Syntax

The basic syntax for level-shifter cells is as follows:

```
cell(level_shifter) {
  is_level_shifter : true ;
  level_shifter_type : HL | LH | HL_LH ;
  input_voltage_range ("float, float");
  output_voltage_range ("float, float");
  ...
  pg_pin(pg_pin_name_P) {
    pg_type : primary_power;
    std_cell_main_rail : true;
    ...
  }
  pg_pin(pg_pin_name_G) {
```

```

        pg_type : primary_ground;
    ...
}

pin (data) {
direction : input;
input_signal_level : "voltage_rail_name";
input_voltage_range ("float , float");
level_shifter_data_pin : true ;
    ...
}/* End pin group */

pin (enable) {
direction : input;
input_voltage_range ("float , float");
level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
    ...
}/* End pin group */

pin (output) {
direction : output;
output_voltage_range ("float , float");
power_down_function : (!pg_pin_name_P + pg_pin_name_G);
    ...
}/* End pin group */

...
}/* End Cell group */

```

10.2.4 Cell-Level Attributes

This section describes cell-level attributes for level-shifter cells.

is_level_shifter Attribute

The `is_level_shifter` simple attribute identifies a cell as a level shifter. The valid values of this attribute are `true` or `false`. If not specified, the default is `false`, meaning that the cell is a standard cell.

level_shifter_type Attribute

The `level_shifter_type` complex attribute specifies the supported voltage conversion type. The valid values are

LH

Low to high

HL

High to low

HL_LH

High to low and low to high

The `level_shifter_type` attribute is optional. The default is `HL_LH`.

input_voltage_range Attribute

The `input_voltage_range` attribute specifies the allowed voltage range of the level-shifter input pin and the voltage range for all input pins of the cell under all possible operating conditions (defined across multiple libraries). The attribute defines two floating values: the first is the lower bound, and the second is the upper bound.

The `input_voltage_range` syntax differs from the pin-level `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` syntax in the following ways:

- The `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` attributes are defined on the input pins under one operating condition (the default operating condition of the library).
- The `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` attributes specify the partial voltage swing of an input pin. Use these attributes to specify partial swings rather than the full rail-to-rail swing. The `input_voltage_range` attribute is not related to the voltage swing.

Note:

The `input_voltage_range` and `output_voltage_range` attributes must be defined together.

output_voltage_range Attribute

The `output_voltage_range` attribute is similar to the `input_voltage_range` attribute except that it specifies the allowed voltage range of the level shifter for the output pin instead of the input pin.

The `output_voltage_range` syntax differs from the pin-level `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` syntax in the following ways:

- The `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` attributes are defined on the output pins under one operating condition (the default operating condition of the library).
- The `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` attributes specify the partial voltage swing of an output pin. Use these attributes to specify partial swings rather than the full rail-to-rail swing. The `output_voltage_range` attribute is not related to the voltage swing.

Note:

The `input_voltage_range` and `output_voltage_range` attributes must be defined together.

ground_input_voltage_range Attribute

The `ground_input_voltage_range` attribute specifies the ground voltage range of all the input pins of a level-shifter cell, under all possible operating conditions.

ground_output_voltage_range Attribute

The `ground_output_voltage_range` attribute specifies the ground voltage range of all the output pins of a level-shifter cell, under all possible operating conditions.

Note:

To specify the ground voltage range using the `ground_input_voltage_range` or `ground_output_voltage_range` attributes, define a lower bound and an upper bound of the ground voltage. Specify the lower bound before the upper bound and ensure that the lower bound is less than or equal to the upper bound.

10.2.5 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes pin-level attributes for level-shifter cells.

std_cell_main_rail Attribute

The `std_cell_main_rail` attribute is defined in a `primary_power` power pin. When the attribute is set to `true`, the `pg_pin` is used to determine which power pin is the main rail in the cell.

level_shifter_data_pin Attribute

The `level_shifter_data_pin` attribute identifies a data pin of a level-shifter cell. The default is `false`, meaning that the pin is a regular signal pin.

level_shifter_enable_pin Attribute

The `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute identifies an enable pin of a level-shifter cell. The default is `false`, meaning that the pin is a regular signal pin.

input_voltage_range and output_voltage_range Attributes

The `input_voltage_range` and `output_voltage_range` attributes specify the allowed voltage ranges of the input or an output pin of the level-shifter cell. The attributes define two floating values where the first value is the lower bound and the second value is the upper bound.

Note:

The pin-level attribute specifications always override the cell-level specifications.

ground_input_voltage_range Attribute

The `ground_input_voltage_range` attribute specifies the ground voltage range of an input pin of a level-shifter cell.

ground_output_voltage_range Attribute

The `ground_output_voltage_range` attribute specifies the ground voltage range of an output pin of a level-shifter cell.

Note:

To specify the ground voltage range using the `ground_input_voltage_range` or `ground_output_voltage_range` attributes, define a lower bound and an upper bound of the ground voltage. Specify the lower bound before the upper bound and ensure that the lower bound is less than or equal to the upper bound.

input_signal_level Attribute

The `input_signal_level` attribute is defined at the pin level and is used to specify which signal is driving the input pin. The attribute defines special overdrive cells that do not have a physical relationship with the power and ground on input pins.

If the `input_signal_level`, `related_power_pin`, and `related_ground_pin` attributes are defined on any input pin, the full voltage swing derived from the `input_signal_level` attribute takes precedence over the voltage swing derived from the `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attributes during timing calculations.

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` attribute identifies the Boolean condition under which the cell's signal output pin is switched off (when the cell is in the off mode due to the external power pin states).

10.2.6 Enable Level-Shifter Cell

An enable level-shifter cell generates a voltage shift between the input and output. An additional enable input controls the output.

Differential Level-Shifter Cell

A differential level-shifter cell has a pair of complementary data input pins to generate a voltage difference or shift between the input and output levels, with only a single supply voltage. This voltage shift is significantly greater than that generated by other level-shifter cells.

```
cell(cell_name) {
  is_level_shifter : true ;
  pin_opposite ("pin_name", "pin_name");
  contention_condition : "boolean_expression";
  ...
  pin (pin_name) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true ;
    input_signal_level : voltage_rail_name;
    ...
  }/* End pin group */
}
```


shifter cells with or without enable inputs.

Cell-Level Attributes

This section describes a cell-level attribute for differential level-shifter cells.

is_differential_level_shifter Attribute

The `is_differential_level_shifter` attribute identifies a level-shifter cell as a differential level-shifter cell. The `is_differential_level_shifter` attribute is automatically set on a level-shifter cell that has pins with the `pin_opposite` and `contention_condition` attributes.

Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes pin-level attributes for level-shifter cells.

pin_opposite Attribute

The `pin_opposite` attribute specifies the logical inverse pin groups of a differential level-shifter cell. All the input pins used in the `pin_opposite` attribute must be data pins with the `level_shifter_data_pin` attribute set to `true`.

contention_condition Attribute

The `contention_condition` attribute specifies the Boolean expression of the invalid condition for a differential level-shifter cell. All the input pins used in the `contention_condition` attribute must be data pins with the `level_shifter_data_pin` attribute set to `true`.

Note:

A cell that has pins with the `pin_opposite` and `contention_condition` attributes is identified as a differential level-shifter cell and the `is_differential_level_shifter` and `dont_use` attributes are automatically set on this cell.

Asynchronous Timing Constraints

Use the `timing` group to specify the nonsequential setup and hold constraints between the two complementary input signals on the arrival of data. To set the asynchronous setup and hold constraints at the input pins, model the timing arcs with the following values of the `timing_type` attribute:

- `non_seq_setup_rising`: Checks the setup constraint of the rising edge of the related pin to the signal pin.
- `non_seq_setup_falling`: Checks the setup constraint of the falling edge of the related pin to the signal pin.
- `non_seq_hold_rising`: Checks the hold constraint for the rising edge of the related pin to the signal pin.

- `non_seq_hold_falling`: Checks the hold constraint for the falling edge of the related pin to the signal pin.

Note:

The related pin is an input pin without the `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute.

Clamping Enable Level-Shifter Cell Outputs

In enable level-shifter (ELS) cells with multiple enable pins, clamping the outputs might be required to maintain them at particular logic levels, such as 0, 1, z, or a previously-latched value.

The clamp function modeling syntax for an enable level-shifter cell and its pins is as follows:

```
cell (cell_name) {
  is_level_shifter : true;
  ...
  pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(output_pin_name) {
    direction : output;
    clamp_0_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_1_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_z_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_latch_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    illegal_clamp_condition : "Boolean expression" ;
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level clamp function attributes to clamp the output pins of an enable level-shifter cell.

clamp_0_function Attribute

The `clamp_0_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an enable level-shifter cell when the output clamps to 0.

clamp_1_function Attribute

The `clamp_1_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an enable level-shifter cell when the output clamps to 1.

clamp_z_function Attribute

The `clamp_z_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an enable level-shifter cell when the output clamps to z.

clamp_latch_function Attribute

The `clamp_latch_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an enable level-shifter cell when the output clamps to the previously latched value.

illegal_clamp_condition Attribute

The `illegal_clamp_condition` attribute specifies the invalid condition for the enable pins of an enable level-shifter cell. If the `illegal_clamp_condition` attribute is not specified, the invalid condition does not exist.

Note:

All the input pins used in the Boolean expressions of the `clamp_0_function`, `clamp_1_function`, `clamp_z_function`, and `clamp_latch_function` attributes must be enable pins with the `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute set to `true`. The Boolean expressions of the `clamp_0_function`, `clamp_1_function`, `clamp_z_function`, `clamp_latch_function`, and `illegal_clamp_condition` attributes must be mutually exclusive.

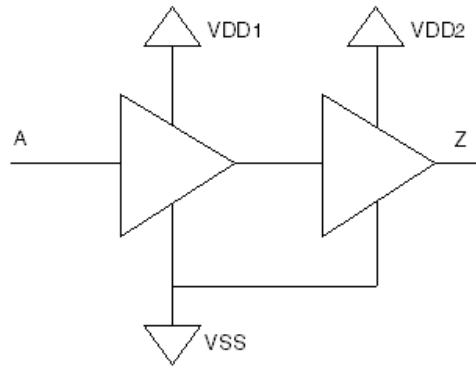
10.2.7 Level Shifter Modeling Examples

The following sections provide examples for modeling a simple buffer type low-to-high level-shifter cell, a simple buffer type high-to-low level-shifter cell, an overdrive high-to-low level-shifter cell, a level-shifter cell with virtual bias pins, and enable level-shifter cells.

Simple Buffer Type Low-to-High Level Shifter

[Figure 10-4](#) shows a simple buffer type low-to-high level-shifter cell modeled using the power and ground pin syntax and level-shifter attributes. The figure is followed by an example.

Figure 10-4 Buffer Type Low-to-High Level-Shifter Cell



```

library(level_shifter_cell_library_example) {
  voltage_map(VDD1, 0.8);
  voltage_map(VDD2, 1.2);
  voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);
  operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process : 1.0;
    voltage : 3.0;
    temperature : 25.0;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : XYZ;
}

```

```

cell(Buffer_Type_LH_Level_shifter) {
  is_level_shifter : true;
  level_shifter_type : LH ;
}

```

```

pg_pin(VDD1) {
  voltage_name : VDD1;
  pg_type : primary_power;
  std_cell_main_rail : true;
}

```

```

pg_pin(VDD2) {
  voltage_name : VDD2;
  pg_type : primary_power;
}

```

```

pg_pin(VSS) {
  voltage_name : VSS;
  pg_type : primary_ground;
}

```

```

leakage_power() {
  when : "!A";
  value : 1.5;
  related_pg_pin : VDD1;
}

```

```

leakage_power() {
  when : "!A";
  value : 2.7;
  related_pg_pin : VDD2;
}

pin(A) {
  direction : input;
  related_power_pin : VDD1;
  related_ground_pin : VSS;
  input_voltage_range ( 0.7 , 0.9);
}

pin(Z) {
  direction : output;
  related_power_pin : VDD2;
  related_ground_pin : VSS;
  function : "A";
  power_down_function : "!VDD1 + !VDD2 + VSS";
  output_voltage_range (1.1 , 1.3);

  timing() {
    related_pin : A;
    cell_rise(template) {
      ...
    }
    cell_fall(template) {
      ...
    }
    rise_transition(template) {
      ...
    }
    fall_transition(template) {
      ...
    }
  }

  internal_power() {
    related_pin : A;
    related_pg_pin : VDD1;
    ...
  }
  internal_power() {
    related_pin : A;
    related_pg_pin : VDD2;
    ...
  }
}

```

```

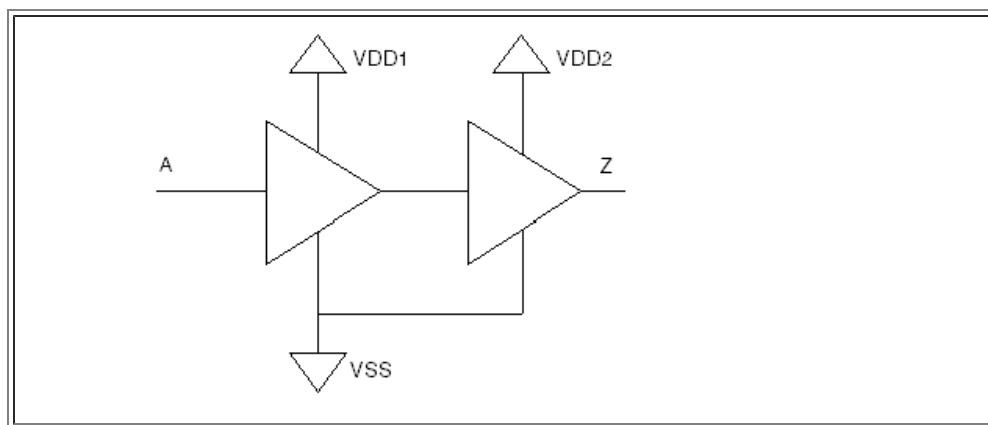
    } /* end pin group*/
    ...
} /*end cell group*/
...
} /*end library group*/

```

Simple Buffer Type High-to-Low Level Shifter

Figure 10-5 shows a simple buffer type high-to-low level-shifter cell. The cell is modeled using the power and ground pin syntax and level-shifter attributes. Shifting the signal level from high to low voltage can be useful for timing accuracy. When you do this, the level-shifter cell receives a higher voltage signal as its input, which is characterized in the delay tables of the cell description.

Figure 10-5 Buffer Type High-to-Low Level-Shifter Cell



```

library(level_shifter_cell_library_example) {
  voltage_map(VDD1, 1.2);
  voltage_map(VDD2, 0.8);
  voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);
  operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process : 1.0;
    voltage : 3.0;
    temperature : 25.0;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

  cell(Buffer_Type_HL_Level_shifter) {
    is_level_shifter : true;
    level_shifter_type : HL ;

    pg_pin(VDD1) {
      voltage_name : VDD1;
      pg_type : primary_power;
    }
  }
}

```

```

    std_cell_main_rail : true;
}
pg_pin(VDD2) {
    voltage_name : VDD2;
    pg_type : primary_power;
}
pg_pin(VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
}

leakage_power() {
    when : "!A";
    value : 1.5;
    related_pg_pin : VDD1;
}
leakage_power() {
    when : "!A";
    value : 2.7;
    related_pg_pin : VDD2;
}

pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : VDD1;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    input_voltage_range ( 0.7 , 0.9);
}

pin(Z) {
    direction : output;
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    function : "A";
    power_down_function : "!VDD1 + !VDD2 + VSS";
    output_voltage_range (1.1 , 1.3);

    timing() {
        related_pin : A;
        cell_rise(template) {
            ...
        }
        cell_fall(template) {
            ...
        }
        rise_transition(template) {

```

```

    ...
  }
  fall_transition(template) {
    ...
  }
}

internal_power() {
  related_pin : A;
  related_pg_pin : VDD1;
  ...
}
internal_power() {
  related_pin : A;
  related_pg_pin : VDD2;
  ...
}

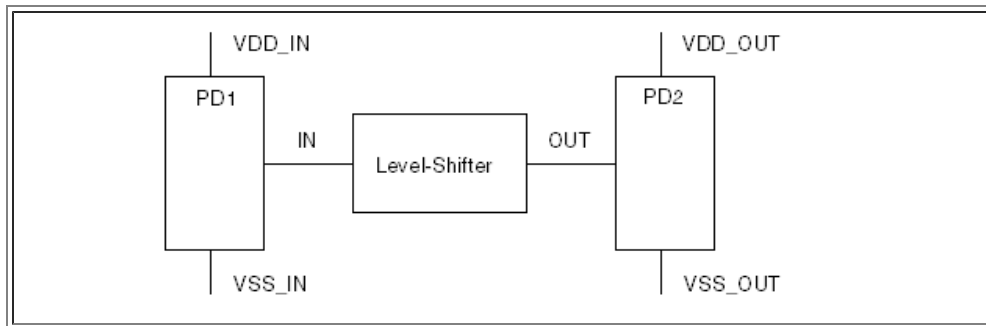
} /* end pin group*/
...
} /*end cell group*/
...
} /*end library group*/

```

Power-and-Ground Level-Shifter Cell

[Figure 10-6](#) shows the block diagram of a power-and-ground level-shifter cell. The cell connects the PD1 and PD2 power domains. PD1 and PD2 have power supply voltages, VDD_IN and VDD_OUT, and ground voltages, VSS_IN and VSS_OUT, respectively.

Figure 10-6 A Simple Power-and-Ground Level-Shifter Cell



Level-shifter cell insertion is supported for the following conditions:

- VDD_IN ≥ VDD_OUT; VSS_IN ≥ VSS_OUT
- VDD_IN ≥ VDD_OUT; VSS_IN ≤ VSS_OUT
- VDD_IN ≤ VDD_OUT; VSS_IN ≥ VSS_OUT
- VDD_IN ≤ VDD_OUT; VSS_IN ≤ VSS_OUT

[Example 10-2](#) shows the Liberty model of a simple power-and-ground level-shifter cell.

Example 10-2 Library Model of a Power-and-Ground Level-Shifter Cell

```
library(mylib) {
  delay_model : table_lookup ;
  ...
  voltage_map(VDD_IN, 0.8) ; /* primary power */
  voltage_map(VDD_OUT, 1.2) ; /* primary power */
  voltage_map(VSS_IN, 0.5) ; /* primary ground */
  voltage_map(VSS_OUT, 0.0) ; /* primary ground */
  /* operation conditions */
  operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process      : 1 ;
    temperature  : 125 ;
    voltage      : 0.8 ;
    tree_type    : balanced_tree ;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : XYZ;
  ...
  cell(up_shift ){
    area : 1.0 ;
    is_level_shifter : true ;
    level_shifter_type : LH ;
    pg_pin(VDD_IN) {
      voltage_name : VDD_IN ;
      pg_type : primary_power ;
      std_cell_main_rail : true ;
    }
    pg_pin(VDD_OUT) {
      voltage_name : VDD_OUT ;
      pg_type : primary_power ;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS_IN) {
      voltage_name : VSS_IN ;
      pg_type : primary_ground ;
      std_cell_main_rail : true ;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS_OUT) {
      voltage_name : VSS_OUT ;
      pg_type : primary_ground ;
    }
    pin(IN) {
      direction : input ;
      capacitance : 1.0 ;
      related_power_pin : VDD_IN ;
      related_ground_pin : VSS_IN ;
      input_voltage_range (0.8, 1.0) ;
      ground_input_voltage_range (0.4, 0.5) ;
    }
  }
}
```

```

pin(OUT) {
  direction : output ;
  related_power_pin : VDD_OUT ;
  related_ground_pin : VSS_OUT ;
  function : "IN" ;
  power_down_function : "!VDD_IN + !VDD_OUT + \
                        VSS_IN + VSS_OUT" ;
  output_voltage_range (1.0, 1.2) ;
  ground_output_voltage_range (0.0 , 0.1) ;
  timing() {
    related_pin : IN ;
    cell_rise(scalar) {
      values ("1.0") ;
    }
    rise_transition (scalar) {
      values ("1.0") ;
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
      values ("1.0") ;
    }
    fall_transition (scalar) {
      values ("1.0") ;
    }
  }
}
} /* end cell group */
} /* end library group */

```

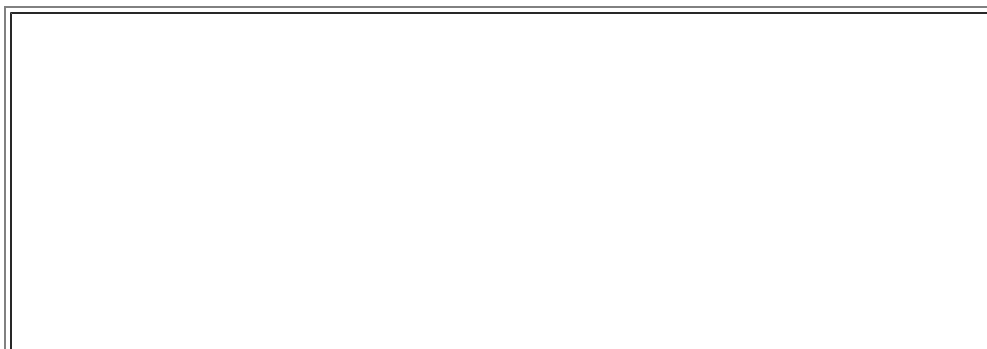
Overdrive Level-Shifter Cell

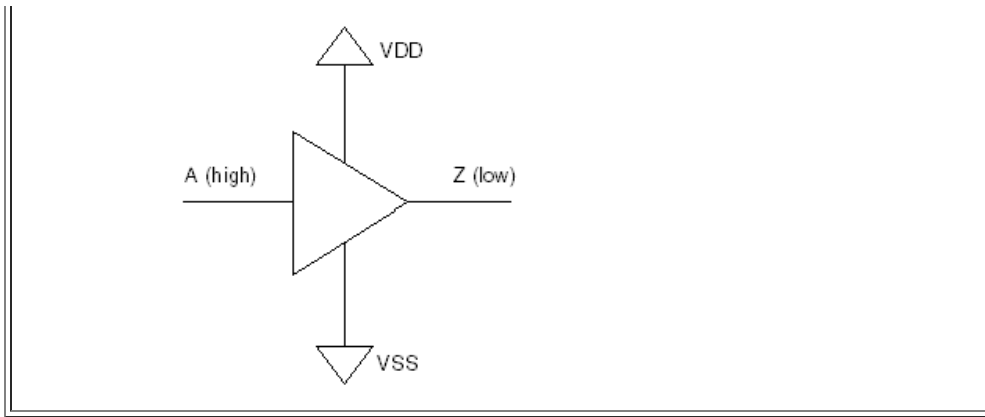
The cell in [Figure 10-7](#) is known as an overdrive level-shifter cell. To model an overdrive level-shifter cell, specify the `related_ground_pin` attribute and the `input_signal_level` attribute, as shown in the example that follows the figure.

Note:

The area of a multiple-rail level-shifter cell (as shown in [Figure 10-5](#)) is larger than that of an overdrive level-shifter cell (as shown in [Figure 10-7](#)). Keep the area in mind when you design your cell.

Figure 10-7 Overdrive Level-Shifter Cell





```

library(level_shifter_cell_library_example) {
  voltage_map(VDD1, 1.2);
  voltage_map(VDD, 0.8);
  voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);
  operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process : 1.0;
    voltage : 3.0;
    temperature : 25.0;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

  cell(Buffer_Type_HL_Level_shifter) {
    is_level_shifter : true;
    level_shifter_type : HL ;

    pg_pin(VDD) {
      voltage_name : VDD;
      pg_type : primary_power;
      std_cell_main_rail : true;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS) {
      voltage_name : VSS;
      pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    leakage_power() {
      when : "!A";
      value : 1.5;
      related_pg_pin : VDD;
    }

    pin(A) {
      direction : input;
    }
  }
  /* Defining the input_signal_level attribute identifies an Overdrive

```

```

Level Shifter cell */
    input_signal_level : VDD1;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    input_voltage_range ( 1.1 , 1.3);
}

pin(Z) {
    direction : output;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    function : "A";
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    output_voltage_range (0.6 , 0.9);

    timing() {
        related_pin : A;
        cell_rise(template) {
            ...
        }
        cell_fall(template) {
            ...
        }
        rise_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
        fall_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
    }
    internal_power() {
        related_pin : A;
        related_pg_pin : VDD;
        ...
    }
} /* end pin group*/
...
} /*end cell group*/
...
} /*end library group */

```

Level-Shifter Cell With Virtual Bias Pins

This section provides an example of a level-shifter cell with virtual bias pins and two n-well regular wells for substrate-bias modeling.

```

library (sample_multi_rail_with_bias_pins) {
...
    cell ( level_shifter ) {

```

```

    pg_pin ( vdd1 ) {
        pg_type : primary_power ;
        ...
    }
pg_pin ( vdd2 ) {
    pg_type : primary_power ;
    ...
}
pg_pin ( vss ) {
    pg_type : primary_ground ;
    ...
}
pg_pin ( vpw ) {
    pg_type : pwell ;
    ...
}
pg_pin ( vnw1 ) {
    pg_type : nwell ;
    ...
}
pg_pin ( vnw2 ) {
    pg_type : nwell ;
    ...
}
pin ( I ) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : vdd1
    related_ground_pin : vss
    related_bias_pin : "vnw1 vpw"
    ...
}
pin ( Z ) {
    direction : output;
    function : "I";
    related_power_pin : "vdd2" ;
    related_ground_pin : "vss" ;
    related_bias_pin : "vnw2 vpw";
    power_down_function : "!vdd1 + !vdd2 + vss + !vnw1 + !vnw2 +
vpw";
    ...
}
} /* End of cell group */
}/* End of library group */

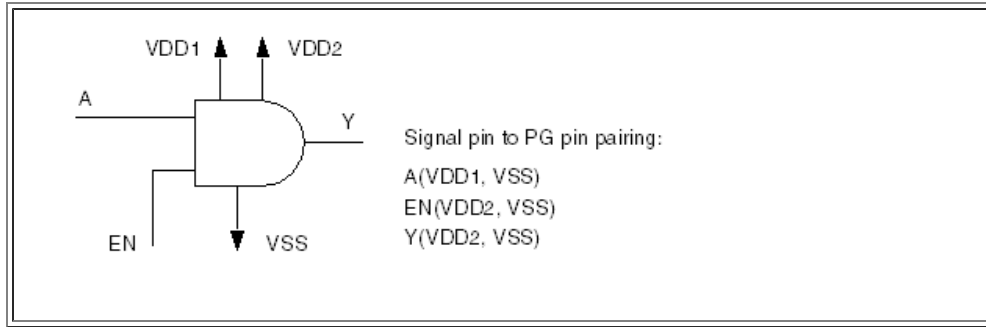
```

Enable Level-Shifter Cell

[Figure 10-8](#) shows the schematic of a basic enable level-shifter cell. The A signal pin is linked to the VDD1 and VSS power and ground pin pair, and the EN signal pin and the Y signal pin are linked to the VDD2 and VSS power and ground pin pair. Note that the enable pin is linked to VDD2. The example that follows the figure shows a library

containing an enable level-shifter cell.

Figure 10-8 Enable Level-Shifter Cell Schematic



```
library(enable_level_shifter_library_example) {

    voltage_map(VDD1, 0.8);
    voltage_map(VDD2, 1.2);
    voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);

    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        voltage : 3.0;
        ...
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

    cell(Enable_Level_Shifter) {
        is_level_shifter : true;
        level_shifter_type : LH ;

        pg_pin(VDD1) {
            voltage_name : VDD1;
            pg_type : primary_power;
            std_cell_main_rail : true;
        }
        pg_pin(VSS) {
            voltage_name : VSS;
            pg_type : primary_ground;
        }
        pg_pin(VDD2) {
            voltage_name : VDD2;
            pg_type : primary_power;
        }

        leakage_power() {
            when : "!A";
        }
    }
}
```

```

    value : 1.5;
    related_pg_pin : VDD1;
}
leakage_power() {
    when : "!A";
    value : 1.5;
    related_pg_pin : VDD2;
}

pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : VDD1;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    input_voltage_range ( 0.7 , 0.9);
    level_shifter_data_pin : true;
}

pin(EN) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    input_voltage_range ( 1.1 , 1.3);
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true;
}

pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    function : "A * EN";
    power_down_function : "!VDD2 + VSS";
    output_voltage_range ( 1.1 , 1.3);
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A EN";
        cell_rise(template) {
            ...
        }
        cell_fall(template) {
            ...
        }
        rise_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
        fall_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```

internal_power() {
    related_pin : "A EN";
    related_pg_pin : VDD1;
    ...
}
internal_power() {
    related_pin : "A EN";
    related_pg_pin : VDD2;
    ...
}

}/* end pin group*/
...
}/*end cell group*/
...
}/*end library group*/

```

Clamping in Latch-Based Enable Level-Shifter Cell

Table 10-4 shows the truth table for a latch-based enable level-shifter cell with two enable pins, EN1 and EN2. The example that follows the table shows the enable level-shifter cell modeled with the clamp function attributes.

Table 10-4 Truth Table for a Latch-Based Enable Level-Shifter Cell With Two Enable Pins

A	EN1	EN2	Y	Function
1/0	1	0	1/0	Level shifter
-	0	1	1	Clamp to 1
-	0	0	Qn-1	Latch
-	1	1	?	Forbidden

```

cell(clamp_1_latch_ELS) {
    is_level_shifter : true ;
    ...
    pg_pin(VDD1) {
        pg_type : primary_power;
        ...
    }
    pg_pin(VSS1) {
        pg_type : primary_ground;
        ...
    }
    pg_pin(VDD2) {

```

```

    pg_type : primary_power;
    std_cell_main_rail : true;
    ...
}
pg_pin(VSS2) {
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    ...
}
latch (IQ, IQN) {
    data_in : A;
    enable : EN1;
    preset : EN2;
}
pin (A) {
    related_power_pin : VDD1;
    related_ground_pin : VSS1;
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true ;
    ...
}
pin (EN1) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS2;
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
    ...
}
pin (EN2) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS2;
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
    ...
}
pin (Y) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : VSS2;
    direction : output;
    clamp_1_function: "!EN1 * EN2";
    clamp_latch_function: "!EN1 * !EN2";
    illegal_clamp_function: "EN1 * EN2";
    function : "IQ";
    ...
}
...
}

```

Differential Level-Shifter Cell


```

    input_signal_level : VDD1 ;
    ...
}
pin (AN) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2 ;
    related_ground_pin : GND ;
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true ;
    input_signal_level : VDD2;

    timing(){
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_type : non_seq_setup_rising ;
        rise_constraint(DLS_temp) {
            ...
        }
        fall_constraint(template_name) {
            ...
        }
    }

    timing(){
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_type : non_seq_setup_falling ;
        rise_constraint(DLS_temp) {
            ...
        }
        fall_constraint(template_name) {
            ...
        }
    }

    timing(){
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_type : non_seq_hold_rising ;
        rise_constraint(DLS_temp) {
            ...
        }
        fall_constraint(template_name) {
            ...
        }
    }

    timing(){
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_type : non_seq_hold_falling ;
        rise_constraint(DLS_temp) {
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```

        fall_constraint(template_name) {
            ...
        }
    }
}

pin (EN) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : GND;
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
    ...
}
pin (Y) {
    related_power_pin : VDD2;
    related_ground_pin : GND;
    direction : output;
    function : "(A*!AN)*EN";
    ...
}
...
}

```

10.3 Isolation Cell Modeling

In partition-based designs with multiple power supplies and voltages, the outputs from a shut-down partition to an active partition must be maintained at predictable signal levels. An isolation cell isolates the shut-down partition from the active partition. The isolation logic ensures that all the inputs to the active partition are clamped to a fixed value.

[Example 10-3](#) shows the syntax for modeling the isolation cell, and its pins.

Example 10-3 Isolation Cell Modeling Syntax

```

cell(isolation_cell) {
    is_isolation_cell : true ;
    ...
    pg_pin(pg_pin_name_P) {
        pg_type : primary_power ;
        permit_power_down : true ;
        ...
    }
    pg_pin(pg_pin_name_G) {
        pg_type : primary_ground;
        ...
    }

    pin (data) {

```

```

        direction : input;
        isolation_cell_data_pin : true ;
        ...
    }

    pin (enable) {
        direction : input;
        isolation_cell_enable_pin : true ;
        alive_during_partial_power_down : true ;
        ...
    }
    ...
    pin (output) {
        direction : output;
        alive_during_partial_power_down : true ;
        function : "Boolean Expression";
        power_down_function : "Boolean Expression";
        ...
    }/* End pin group */

}/* End Cell group */

```

10.3.1 Cell-Level Attribute

This section describes a cell-level attribute of the isolation cells.

is_isolation_cell Attribute

The `is_isolation_cell` attribute identifies a cell as an isolation cell. The valid values of this attribute are `true` or `false`. If not specified, the default is `false`, meaning that the cell is an ordinary standard cell.

10.3.2 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level attributes for the isolation cells.

isolation_cell_data_pin Attribute

The `isolation_cell_data_pin` attribute identifies the data pin of an isolation cell. The valid values are `true` or `false`. If not specified, all the input pins of the isolation cell are considered to be data pins.

isolation_cell_enable_pin Attribute

The `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute identifies an enable or control pin of an isolation cell including a clock isolation cell. The valid values are `true` or `false`. The default is `false`.

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` attribute identifies the Boolean condition to switch off the output pin of the cell (when the cell is inactive due to the external power-pin states).

permit_power_down Attribute

The `permit_power_down` attribute indicates that the power pin can be powered down while in the isolation mode. The valid values are `true` or `false`. The default is `true`.

alive_during_partial_power_down Attribute

The `alive_during_partial_power_down` attribute indicates that the pin with this attribute is active while the isolation cell is partially powered down, and the corresponding power and ground rails are not considered as the power reference. The valid values are `true` and `false`. The default is `true`, and in the default setting, the UPF isolation supply set is the power reference.

Attribute Dependencies

The isolation cell attributes have the following dependencies:

- When the control pin of an isolation cell is activated, the output becomes a constant.
- The control pin of an isolation cell, that permits partial power down must be included in the Boolean expression of the `power_down_function` attribute for the same output. The control pin blocks the terms that use the powered-down rail, to set to `true`. To generate the output in the isolation mode, the active power rail is used.

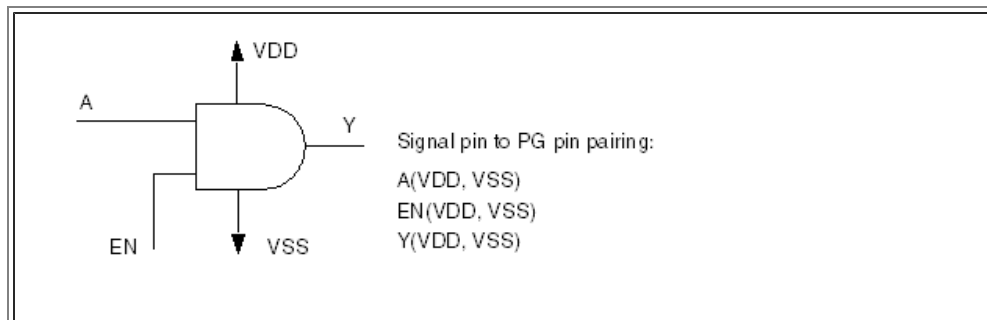
Therefore, an isolation cell cannot be partially powered down if the `power_down_function` expression of its power pin does not include the `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute set.

10.3.3 Isolation Cell Example

Unlike level-shifter cells, isolation cells cannot shift voltage levels. All other characteristics are the same between a level-shifter cell and an isolation cell.

[Figure 10-10](#) shows a schematic and a library description of an isolation cell. The library describes only the portion related to the power and ground pin syntax. In the figure, the A, EN, and Y signal pins are associated to the VDD and VSS power and ground pin pair. The example shows a library with an isolation cell.

Figure 10-10 Isolation Cell Schematic



```

library(isolation_cell_library_example) {

    voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
    voltage_map(VSS , 0.0);

    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        voltage : 1.0;
        ...
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

    cell(Isolation_Cell) {
    is_isolation_cell : true;
    dont_touch : true;
    dont_use : true;

    pg_pin(VDD) {
        voltage_name : VDD;
        pg_type : primary_power;
    }

    pg_pin(VSS) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
    }

    leakage_power() {
        when : "!A";
        value : 1.5;
        related_pg_pin : VDD;
    }

    pin(A) {
        direction : input;
        related_power_pin : VDD;
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
        isolation_cell_data_pin : true;
    }

    pin(EN) {
        direction : input;
        related_power_pin : VDD;
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
    }
}

```

```

    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
}
pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    function : "A * EN";
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A EN";
        cell_rise(template) {
            ...
        }
        cell_fall(template) {
            ...
        }
        rise_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
        fall_transition(template) {
            ...
        }
    }
    internal_power() {
        related_pin : A;
        related_pg_pin : VDD;
        ...
    }

    }/* end pin group*/
    ...
}/*end cell group*/
...
}/*end library group*/

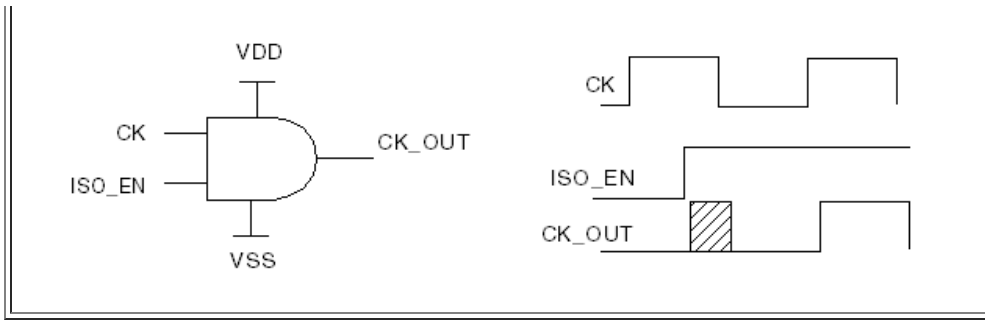
```

10.3.4 Clock-Isolation Cell Modeling

Using combinational isolation cells to isolate clock signals might result in phase-clipped outputs. [Figure 10-11](#) shows an AND isolation cell. The phase of the output clock signal, CK_OUT, becomes clipped, depending on the arrival time of the isolation-enable signal, ISO_EN, with respect to the input clock signal, CK.

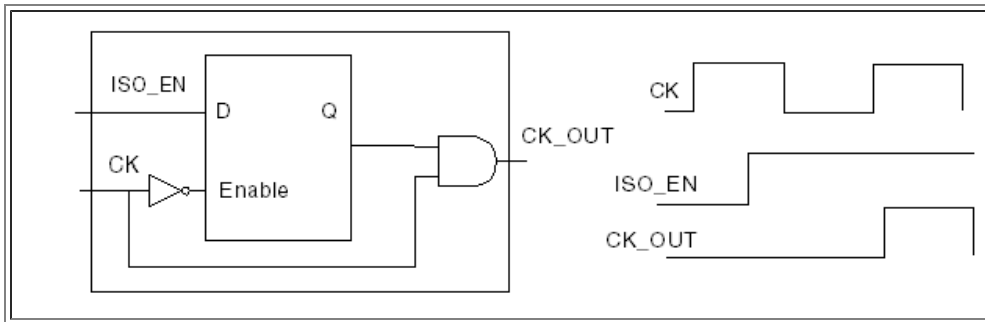
Figure 10-11 Clock Isolation With AND Isolation Cell





To avoid phase-clipping, use clock-isolation cells for clock isolation. [Figure 10-12](#) shows a schematic and a typical output of a clock-isolation cell.

Figure 10-12 Clock Isolation Cell Schematic



Note:

The phase of the output clock signal, CK_OUT, is not clipped.

The modeling syntax of the clock-isolation cell and its pins is as follows:

```

cell (cell_name)
{
  is_clock_isolation_cell : true;
  pin(input_pin)
  {
    clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true;
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  pin(input_pin)
  {
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  pin(output_pin_name)
  {
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

Cell-Level Attribute

This section describes the cell-level attribute of clock-isolation cells.

is_clock_isolation_cell Attribute

The `is_clock_isolation_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a clock-isolation cell. The default is `false`, meaning that the cell is a standard cell.

Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level attributes for clock-isolation cells.

isolation_cell_enable_pin Attribute

The `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute identifies an enable or control pin of a clock-isolation cell. The default is `false`.

clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin Attribute

The `clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin` attribute identifies an input clock pin of a clock-isolation cell. The default is `false`.

Clock Isolation Cell Examples

[Example 10-4](#) shows a library description of the clock-isolation cell in [Figure 10-12](#).

Example 10-4 Library Description of the Clock-Isolation Cell

```
library (my_lib) {
  ...
  cell(ck_iso_cell) {
    is_clock_isolation_cell : true;
    ...
    pg_pin (VDD) {
      pg_type : primary_power;
      voltage_name : VDD;
    }
    pg_pin (VSS) {
      pg_type : primary_ground;
      voltage_name : VSS;
    }
    statetable(" CK ISO_EN ", "Q ") {
      table : " L L : - : L , \
              L H : - : H , \
              H - : - : N ";
    }
    pin(CK) {
      clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true;
      direction : input;
      related_ground_pin : VSS;
    }
  }
}
```



```

        related_power_pin : VDD;
        ...
    }
    pin(ISO_EN) {
        isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
        direction : input;
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
        related_power_pin : VDD;
        ...
    }
    pin(CK_OUT) {
        direction : output;
        power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
        related_power_pin : VDD;
        state_function : "CK * Q";
        timing() {
            related_pin : "CK";
            timing_sense : "positive_unate";
            ...
        }
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

[Example 10-5](#) shows the clock-isolation cell also modeled as a clock-gating cell. To model a cell as both a clock-isolation cell and a clock-gating cell, use both the clock-isolation and clock-gating attributes.

Example 10-5 Example of a Cell Modeled as Both Clock-Isolation and Clock-Gating Cell

```

cell(ICG_CK_ISO_CELL) {
    is_clock_isolation_cell : true;
    clock_gating_integrated_cell : "latch_posedge";
    ...
    pg_pin (VDD) {
        pg_type : primary_power;
        voltage_name : VDD;
    }
    pg_pin (VSS) {
        pg_type : primary_ground;
        voltage_name : VSS;
    }
    statetable(" CK EN ", "Q ") {
        table : " L L : - : L , \
                L H : - : H , \
                H - : - : N ";
    }
}

```

```

pin(CK) {
  clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true;
  clock_gate_clock_pin : true;
  direction : input;
  related_ground_pin : VSS;
  related_power_pin : VDD;
  ...
}
pin(EN) {
  isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
  clock_gate_enable_pin : true;
  direction : input;
  related_ground_pin : VSS;
  related_power_pin : VDD;
  ...
}
pin(CK_OUT) {
  direction : output;
  clock_gate_output_pin : true;
  power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
  related_ground_pin : VSS;
  related_power_pin : VDD;
  state_function : "CK * Q";
  timing() {
    related_pin : "CK";
    timing_sense : "positive_unate";
    ...
  }
  ...
}
}

```

10.3.5 Clamping Isolation Cell Output Pins

In isolation cells with multiple enable pins, clamping the outputs might be required to maintain them at particular logic levels, such as 0,1, z, or a previously-latched value.

The clamp function modeling syntax for the isolation cell and its pins is as follows:

```

cell (cell_name) {
  is_isolation_cell : true;
  ...
  pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    isolation_cell_data_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
  }
}

```

```

    ...
}
pin(input_pin) {
    direction : input;
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
    ...
}
pin(output_pin_name) {
    direction : output;
    clamp_0_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_1_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_z_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    clamp_latch_function : "Boolean expression" ;
    illegal_clamp_condition : "Boolean expression" ;
    ...
}
...
}

```

Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level clamp function attributes to clamp the isolation cell output pins.

clamp_0_function Attribute

The `clamp_0_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an isolation cell when the output clamps to 0.

clamp_1_function Attribute

The `clamp_1_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an isolation cell when the output clamps to 1.

clamp_z_function Attribute

The `clamp_z_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an isolation cell when the output clamps to z.

clamp_latch_function Attribute

The `clamp_latch_function` attribute specifies the input condition for the enable pins of an isolation cell when the output clamps to the previously latched value.

illegal_clamp_condition Attribute

The `illegal_clamp_condition` attribute specifies the invalid condition for the enable pins of an isolation cell. If the `illegal_clamp_condition`

attribute is not specified, the invalid condition does not exist.

Note:

All the input pins used in the Boolean expressions of the `clamp_0_function`, `clamp_1_function`, `clamp_z_function`, and `clamp_latch_function` attributes must be enable pins with the `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute set to `true`. The Boolean expressions of the `clamp_0_function`, `clamp_1_function`, `clamp_z_function`, `clamp_latch_function`, and `illegal_clamp_condition` attributes must be mutually exclusive.

Example of Clamping in Isolation Cell

[Table 10-4](#) shows the truth table for an isolation cell with two enable pins, EN1 and EN2. [Example 10-6](#) shows the isolation cell modeled with a clamp function attribute.

Table 10-5 Truth Table for an Isolation Cell With Two Enable Pins

A	EN1	EN2	Y	Function
0/1	1	1	0/1	AND
-	0	1	0	Clamp to 0
-	1	0	0	Clamp to 0
-	0	0	0	Clamp to 0

Example 10-6 Using a Clamp Function Attribute to Model an Isolation Cell

```
cell(ISO_clamp_0) {
  is_isolation_cell : true;
  ...
  pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    isolation_cell_data_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(EN1) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
    ...
  }
  pin(EN2) {

    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true;
    ...
  }
}
```

```

pin(Y) {
  direction : output;
  function : "A*EN1*EN2";
  clamp_0_function : "!(EN1*EN2)";
  ...
}
}

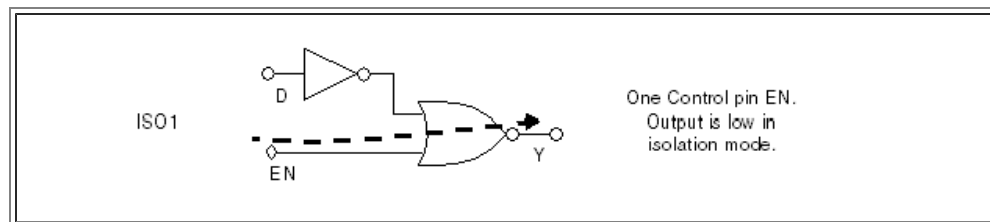
```

10.3.6 Isolation Cells With Multiple Control Pins

In partition-based designs, output pins of an isolation-cell need to be maintained at predefined levels for a significant period of time. In such designs, using isolation cells with multiple control or enable pins reduces the leakage current. Multiple control pins allow an isolation cell to be partially powered down. For example, in an isolation cell with two control pins, one control pin controls the output level. The other control pin is used to partially power-down the isolation cell while the output level is maintained.

[Figure 10-13](#) shows the gate-level diagrams of isolation cells with multiple control pins. In each of the three diagrams, the dotted-line arrow traces the path from the isolation-control pin to the output pin.

Figure 10-13 Gate-Level Diagrams of Isolation Cells With Multiple Control Pins



The isolation control pins permit the power pins (not shown in [Figure 10-13](#)) to power down. The `alive_during_partial_power_down` attribute on the isolation-control pins indicate that these pins remain active even when the corresponding power pins are powered down. [Example 10-7](#) shows the partially powered down model of the cell, ISO1, depicted in [Figure 10-13](#). [Table 10-6](#) shows the Boolean expressions for the `function` and `power_down_function` attributes of the isolation cells depicted in [Figure 10-13](#).

Example 10-7 Partially Powered Down Model of the ISO1 Cell

```

cell ( ISO1 ) {
  is_isolation_cell : true;
  pg_pin ( VDD ) {
    pg_type : primary_power;
    permit_power_down : true
  }
  pg_pin ( VSS ) {
    pg_type : primary_ground ;
  }
  pin ( D ) {
    isolation_cell_data_pin : true ;
  }
}

```

```

pin ( EN ) {
    direction : input
    isolation_cell_enable_pin : true ;
    alive_during_partial_power_down : true ;
}
pin ( Y ) {
    direction : output ;
    alive_during_partial_power_down : true ;
    function : D * !EN ;
    power_down_function : (!VDD * !EN) + VSS ;
}
}

```

Note:

By default, the `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attributes are mapped to VDD and VSS, respectively. The `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attributes are not specified for the input and output pins in [Example 10-7](#).

Table 10-6 Boolean Expressions for the function and power_down_function Attributes of the Isolation Cells in [Figure](#)

Cell	function (Output Y)	power_down_function (Output Y)
ISO1	$D * !EN$	$(!VDD * !EN) + VSS$
ISO2	$D * EN1 * !EN2$	$(!VDD * !EN2) + VSS$
ISO3	$D + !EN1 + EN2$	$!VDD + (VSS + EN1)$

Pins with the `alive_during_partial_power_down` attribute do not require the power pins to be active. For example, for the cell ISO2, the isolation-control pin, EN2, does not require VDD to be active. This pin controls the power-down of VDD through the Boolean expression of the `power_down_function` attribute as shown in [Table 10-6](#). The other control pin, EN1, without the `alive_during_partial_power_down` attribute requires both VDD and VSS to be active, and is not included in the Boolean expression of the `power_down_function` attribute.

In each of the isolation cells in [Figure 10-13](#), the `permit_power_down` attribute is set on a power pin when there is at least one pin with the `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute. For example, for the cell ISO2, the `permit_power_pin` attribute is set on the power pin, VDD, given the `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute is set on the pin, EN2.

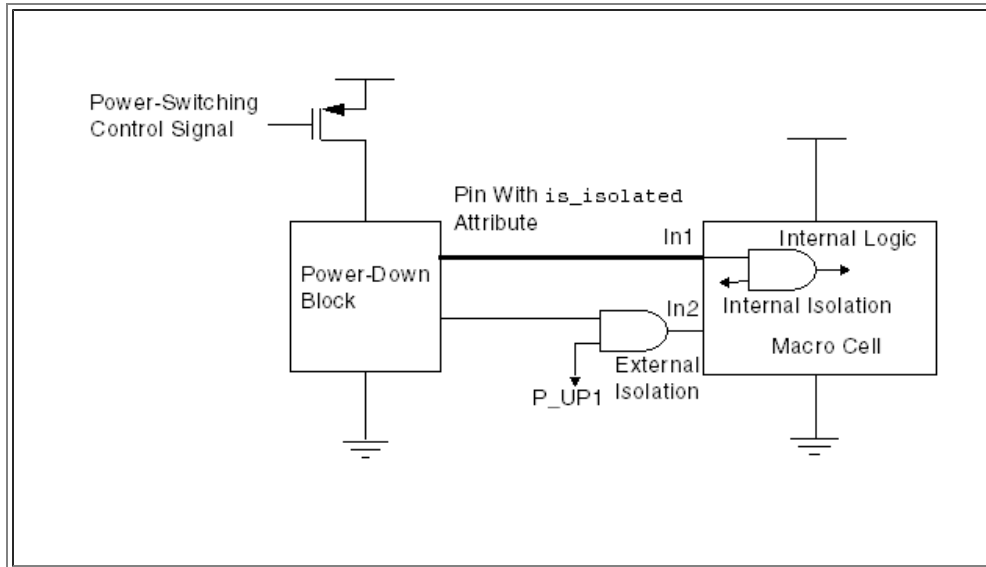
10.4 Macro Cell Modeling

Macro cells do not contain internal logic information. The following sections describe modeling macro cells for isolation and macro cells with internal PG pins.

10.4.1 Macro Cell Isolation Modeling

To indicate that a macro cell is internally isolated and does not require external isolation, set the `is_isolated` attribute. [Figure 10-14](#) shows a macro cell with the `is_isolated` attribute. The macro cell is connected to a power-switching circuit. The macro cell pin, In1 is internally isolated, and In2 is connected to an external isolation cell. When the `is_isolated` attribute is set on the pin, In1, the pin is considered to be internally isolated.

Figure 10-14 Macro Cell With the `is_isolated` Attribute



[Example 10-8](#) shows the modeling syntax of an internally isolated macro cell.

Example 10-8 Macro Cell Isolation Modeling Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    is_macro_cell : true;
    pin (pin_name) {
        direction : input | inout | output;
        is_isolated : true | false;
        isolation_enable_condition : boolean_expression;
        ...
    }
    bus (bus_name) {
        direction : input | inout | output;
        is_isolated : true | false;
        isolation_enable_condition : boolean_expression;
        ...
    }
    bundle (bundle_name) {
        direction : input | inout | output;
        is_isolated : true | false;
        isolation_enable_condition : boolean_expression;
        ...
    }
}
```

```
    ...
}
```

[Example 10-9](#) shows a typical model of an internally isolated macro cell.

Example 10-9 Modeling an Internally Isolated Macro Cell by Using the `is_isolated` and `isolation_enable_condition` Attributes

```
library (internal_isolated_pin_example) {
    ...
    type ( bus_type_name ) {
        base_type : array;
        data_type : bit;
        bit_width : 2;
        bit_from : 1;
        bit_to : 0;
    }
    cell ( macro ) {
        is_macro_cell : true;
        pg_pin(GND) {
            voltage_name : VSS;
            pg_type : primary_ground;
        }
        pg_pin(VDDI) {
            voltage_name : VDDH;
            pg_type : primary_power;
        }
        .....
        pin (en) {
            direction : input;
            ...
        }
        pin (in_bus) {
            bus_type : bus_type_name;
            direction : input;
            ...
        }
        pin (sp) {
            direction : input|inout;
            is_isolated : true;
            isolation_enable_condition : "en";
            related_power_pin : VDDI;
            related_ground_pin : GND;
            .....
        }
        pin (out) {
            direction : output;
            is_isolated : true;
            isolation_enable_condition : "en";
            related_power_pin : VDDI;
        }
    }
}
```



```

        related_ground_pin : GND;
        .....
    }
    bus (bus_a) {
        bus_type : bus_type_name;
        is_isolated : true;
        isolation_enable_condition : "en' * in_bus * in_bundle";

        related_power_pin : VDDI;
        related_ground_pin : GND;
        ...
    }
    ...
}
}
}

```

Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level attributes of isolated macro cells.

is_isolated Attribute

The `is_isolated` attribute indicates that a pin, bus, or bundle of a macro cell is internally isolated and does not require the insertion of an external isolation cell. The default is `false`.

Note:

The `is_isolated` attribute also supports the internal isolation of pad-cell pins. For more information about modeling internal isolation in I/O pad cells, see [“”](#).

isolation_enable_condition Attribute

The `isolation_enable_condition` attribute specifies the condition of isolation for internally isolated pins, buses, or bundles of a macro cell. When this attribute is defined in a `pin` group, the corresponding Boolean expression can include only input and inout pins. Do not include the output pins of an internally isolated macro cell in the Boolean expression.

When the `isolation_enable_condition` attribute is defined in a `bus` or `bundle` group, the corresponding Boolean expression can include pins, and buses and bundles of the same bit-width. For example, when the Boolean expression includes a bus and a bundle, both of them must have the same bit-width.

All the pins, buses, and bundles that have the `isolation_enable_condition` attribute must have the `always_on` attribute.

Note:

The `isolation_enable_condition` attribute also supports the internal isolation of pad-cell pins. For more information about modeling internal

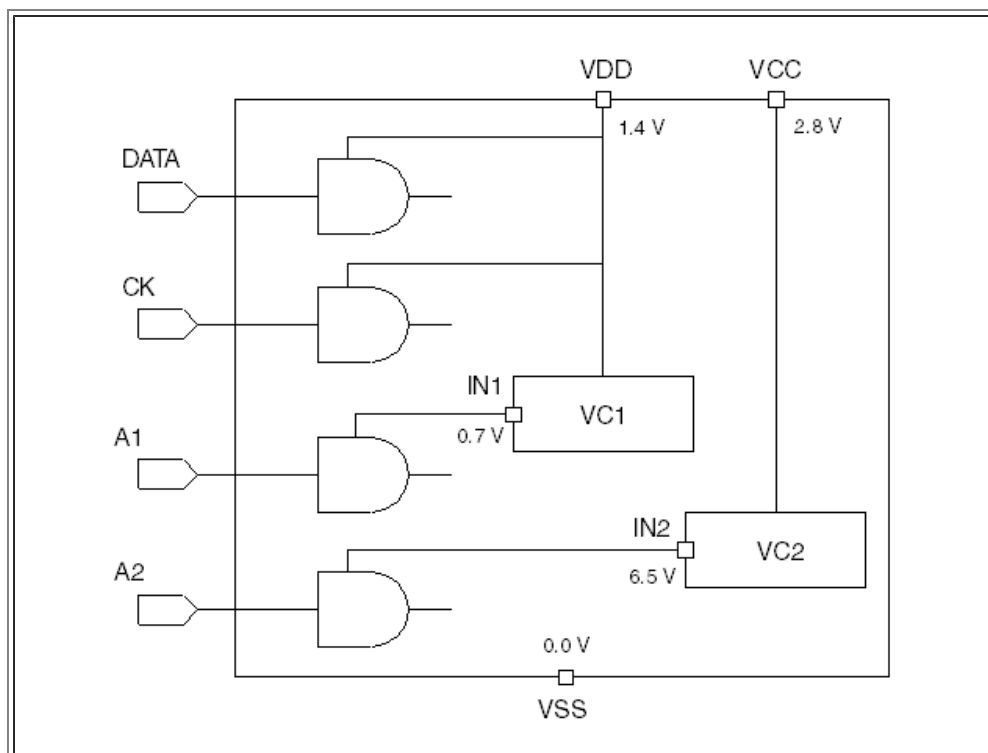
isolation in I/O pad cells, see [“”](#).

10.4.2 Modeling Macro Cells With Internal PG Pins

This capability is useful for modeling macro cells containing internal voltage converters that supply power to the internal subcells.

[Figure 10-15](#) shows the schematic of a macro cell with internal voltage converters, VC1 and VC2. VC1 and VC2 convert the external supply voltages, VDD and VCC, into internal supply voltages, IN1 and IN2, respectively. The pins, IN1 and IN2, are internal PG pins of the macro cell and are used to power the logic connected to the input ports, A1 and A2.

Figure 10-15 Macro Cell With Internal PG Pins



[Example 10-10](#) shows a typical model of the macro cell. The `pg_type` attribute is set to `internal_power`, the `direction` attribute is set to `internal`, and the `pg_function` attribute is set to `VDD` and `VCC`, on the PG pins, `IN1` and `IN2`, respectively.

Example 10-10 Macro Cell Model With Internal PG Pins

```
voltage_map (VDD, 1.4);
voltage_map (VCC, 2.8);
voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);
voltage_map (IN1, 0.7);
voltage_map (IN2, 6.5);
cell(new_macro_cell) {
  ...
  pg_pin(VDD) {
    voltage_name : VDD;
```

```

    pg_type : primary_power;
}
pg_pin(VCC) {
    voltage_name : VCC;
    pg_type : primary_power;
}
pg_pin(VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
}
pg_pin(IN1) {
    voltage_name : IN1;
    pg_type : internal_power;
    direction : internal ;
    pg_function : VDD;
}
pg_pin(IN2) {
    voltage_name : IN2;
    pg_type : internal_power;
    direction : internal ;
    pg_function : VCC;
}
...
pin(CK) {
    related_power_pin : VDD ;
    related_ground_pin : VSS ;
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin(A1) {
    related_power_pin : IN1 ;
    related_ground_pin : VSS ;
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin(A2) {
    related_power_pin : IN2 ;
    related_ground_pin : VSS ;
    direction : input ;
}
...
}

```

Note:

You do not need to specify the `switch_cell_type` and `switch_function` attributes for this macro cell because it does not include any built-in switches.

10.5 Silicon-on-Insulator (SOI) Cell Modeling

Silicon-on-insulator (SOI) devices are fabricated on a silicon layer that rests upon an insulating layer on the substrate. The presence of the insulating layer makes the drain and source junctions shallow, with small capacitances. Therefore, the SOI devices have better electrical characteristics resulting in improved switching speed and reduced power dissipation.

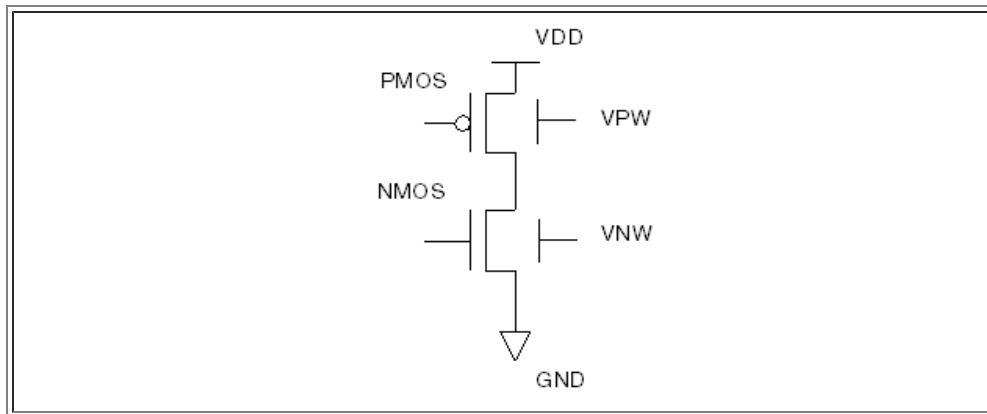
The isolation of the silicon layer from the substrate improves the operating speed, reduces leakage to the substrate, and reduces the number of latch-ups. It is easy to closely pack these inherently insulated structures for high device densities. Further, the SOI fabrication process requires only minor changes to the bulk-CMOS process flow.

Depending on the thickness of the silicon layer, an SOI cell is of two types:

- Fully depleted SOI (FDSOI) cell, where the channel depletion width is greater than the thickness of the silicon layer. Therefore, the channel is fully depleted.
- Partially depleted SOI (PDSOI) cell, where the channel depletion width is less than the thickness of the silicon layer. Therefore, the channel is partially depleted.

Figure 10-16 shows a typical SOI cell schematic.

Figure 10-16 A Typical SOI Cell Schematic



The modeling syntax of the SOI cell is:

```
library(library_name) {
  ...
  is_soi: true | false;
  ...
  cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    is_soi: true | false;
    ...
  } /* End cell group */
} /* End Library group */
```

Table 10-7 shows the differences in modeling substrate-bias pins between a bulk-CMOS and the SOI cell.

Table 10-7 Differences in Substrate-Bias Pin Modeling Between Bulk-CMOS and SOI Cell

Bulk-CMOS	SOI
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For a substrate-bias pin associated with a primary power pin, the <code>pg_type</code> attribute must be <code>nwell</code> .	For a substrate-bias pin associated with a primary power pin, the <code>pg_type</code> attribute can be <code>pwell</code> or <code>nwell</code> .
For a substrate-bias pin associated with a primary ground pin, the <code>pg_type</code> attribute must be <code>pwell</code> .	For a substrate-bias pin associated with a primary ground pin, the <code>pg_type</code> attribute can be <code>pwell</code> or <code>nwell</code> .

[Example 10-11](#) shows a typical SOI library and cell model.

Example 10-11 An SOI Library and Cell Description

```

library(SOI) {
  delay_model : table_lookup;
  /* unit attributes */
  ...
  is_soi : true;
  ...
  /* operation conditions */
  ...
  /* threshold definitions */
  ...
  /* default attributes */
  ...
  cell(std_cell_inv) {
    is_soi : true;
    cell_footprint : inv;
    area : 1.0;
    pg_pin(vdd) {
      voltage_name : vdd;
      pg_type : primary_power;
      related_bias_pin : "vpw";
    }
  }
}

```

10.5.1 Library-Level Attribute

This section describes a library-level attribute of SOI cells.

is_soi Attribute

The `is_soi` attribute specifies that all the cells in a library are SOI cells. The default is `false`, which means that the library cells are bulk-CMOS cells.

If the `is_soi` attribute is specified at both the library and cell levels, the cell-level value overrides the library-level value.

10.5.2 Cell-Level Attribute

This section describes a cell-level attribute of SOI cells.

is_soi Attribute

The `is_soi` attribute specifies that the cell is an SOI cell. The default is `false`, which means that the cell is a bulk-CMOS cell.

10.6 Switch Cell Modeling

Switch cells, also known as multithreshold complementary metal oxide semiconductor cells (power-switch cells), are used to reduce power. They are divided into the following two classes:

- Coarse grain

There are two types of coarse-grain switch cells, header switch cells, and footer switch cells. The header switch cells control the power nets based on a PMOS transistor, and the footer switch cells control the ground nets based on an NMOS transistor. The coarse grain cell is a switch that drives the power to other logic cells. It is used as a big switch to the supply rails and to turn off design partitions when the relative logic is inactive. Therefore, coarse-grain switch cells can reduce the leakage of the inactive logic.

In addition, coarse-grain switch cells can also have the properties of a fine-grain switch cell. For example, they can act as a switch and have output pins that might or might not be shut off by the internal switch pins.

- Fine grain

To reduce the leakage power, the fine-grain switch cell includes an embedded switch pin that is used to turn off the cell when it is inactive.

the Liberty syntax supports only fine-grain switch cells for macro cells.

10.6.1 Coarse-Grain Switch Cells

Coarse-grain switch cells must have the following properties:

- They must be able to model the condition under which the cell turns off the controlled design partition or the cells connected in the output power pin's fanout logical cone. This is modeled with a switching function based on special switch signal pins as well as a separate but related power-down function based on power pin inputs.
- They must be able to model the "acknowledge" output pins (output pins whose signal is used to propagate the switch signal to the next-switch cell or to a power controller input's logic cloud). Timing is also propagated from the input switch pin to the acknowledge output pins.
- They must have at least one virtual output power and ground pin (virtual VDD or virtual VSS), one regular input power and ground pin (VDD or VSS), and one switch input pin. There is no limit on the number of pins a coarse-grain cell can have.

The following describes a simple coarse-grain switch header cell and a simple coarse-grain switch footer cell:

- Header cell: one switch input pin, one VDD (power) input power and ground pin, and one virtual VDD (internal power) output power and ground pin
- Footer cell: one switch input pin, one virtual VSS (internal ground) output power and ground pin, and one VSS (ground) input power and ground pin

- They can have multiple switch pins and multiple acknowledge output pins.
- They must have the steady state current (I/V) information to determine the resistance value when the switch is on.
- The timing information can be specified for coarse-grain switch cells on the output pins, and it can be state dependent for switch pins.

The power output pins in a coarse-grain switch cell can have the following two states:

- Awake or On
In this state, the input power level is transmitted through the cell to either a 1 or 0 on the output power pin, depending on other prior switch cells in series settings.
- Off
In this state, the sleep pin deactivates the pass-through function, and the output power pin is set to X.

Coarse-Grain Switch Cell Syntax

The following syntax is a portion of the coarse-grain switch cell syntax:

```

library(coarse_grain_library_name) {
...

lu_table _template (template_name)
  variable_1 : input_voltage;
  variable_2 : output_voltage;
  index_1 ( float, ... );
  index_2 ( float, ... );
}
...
cell(cell_name) {
  switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;
  ...
  pg_pin (VDD/VSS pin name) {
    pg_type : primary_power | primary_ground;
    direction : input ;
    ...
  }
  /* Virtual power and ground pins use "switch_function" to describe the
logic to shut off the attached design partition */

  pg_pin (virtual VDD/VSS pin name) {
    pg_type : internal_power | internal_ground;
    direction: output;
    ...
    switch_function : "function_string";
    pg_function : "function_string";
  }
}

```

```

dc_current (dc_current_name) {
    related_switch_pin : input_pin_name;
    related_pg_pin : VDD pin name;
    related_internal_pg_pin : Virtual VDD;

    values("float, ...");
}
pin (input_pin_name) {
    direction : input;
    switch_pin : true;
    ...
}
...
/* The acknowledge output pin uses "function" to represent the propagated
switching
signal
*/

pin(acknowledge_output_pin_name) {
    ...
    function : "function_string";
    power_down_function : "function_string";
    direction : output;
    ...
} /* end pin group */
} /* end cell group */

```

You can use the following syntax for intrinsic parasitic models.

```

switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;
dc_current (template_name) {
    related_switch_pin : pin_name;
    related_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    related_internal_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    index_1 ( "float, ..." );
    index_2 ( "float, ..." );
    values ( "float, ..." );
}

```

Library-Level Group

The following attribute is a library-level attribute for switch cells.

lu_table_template Group

The library-level `lu_table_template` group models the templates for the steady state

current information that is used within the `dc_current` group. The `input_voltage` value specifies input voltage values for the switch pin. The `output_voltage` value specifies the output voltage values of the switch pin. The `input_voltage` and `output_voltage` values are the absolute gate voltage and absolute drain voltage, respectively, when a CMOS transistor is used to model a power-switch cell.

The `dc_current` group, which is used for steady state current modeling, must be defined at the cell level. It is defined by two indexes: `index_1` and `index_2`. The `index_1` attribute represents a string that includes a comma-separated set of N values, where N represents the table rows. The values define the voltage levels measured at either the input voltage or the output voltage. When referring to the input voltage, the voltage level is measured at the related switch pin, and the set of N values must have at least two values for N. When referring to the output voltage, the voltage level is measured at the related internal PG pin, and the set of N values must have at least three values for N. This voltage level is related to a common reference ground for the cell. The set of N `index_1` values must increase monotonically.

The `index_2` attribute represents a string that includes a comma-separated set of M values, where M represents the table columns. The values define the voltage levels that are specified at either the input voltage or the output voltage. When referring to the input voltage, the voltage level is measured at the related switch pin, and the set of M values must have at least two values for M. When referring to the output voltage, the voltage level is measured at the related internal PG pin, and the set of M values must have at least three values for M. This voltage level is related to a common reference ground for the cell. The set of M `index_2` values must increase monotonically.

Cell-Level Attribute

The following attribute is a cell-level attribute for coarse-grain switch cells.

switch_cell_type Attribute

The `switch_cell_type` attribute provides a complete description of the switch cell so that the switch cell type does not need to be inferred from the cell modeling description. The valid enumerated values for this attribute are `coarse_grain` and `fine_grain`.

dc_current Group

The cell-level `dc_current` group models the steady state current information, similar to the `lu_table_template` group. The table is used to specify the DC current through the cell's output pin (generally the `related_internal_pg_pin`) in the current units specified at the library level using the `current_unit` attribute.

The `dc_current` group includes the `related_switch_pin`, `related_pg_pin`, and `related_internal_pg_pin` attributes, which are described in the following sections.

related_switch_pin Attribute

The `related_switch_pin` string attribute specifies the name of the related switch pin for the coarse-grain switch cell.

related_pg_pin Attribute

`related pg pin`

The `related_internal_pg_pin` string attribute is used to specify the name of the power and ground pin that represents the VDD or VSS power source.

related_internal_pg_pin Attribute

The `related_internal_pg_pin` string attribute is used to specify the name of the power and ground pin that represents the virtual VDD or virtual VSS power source.

Pin-Level Attributes

The following attributes are pin-level attributes for coarse-grain switch cells.

switch_function Attribute

The `switch_function` string attribute identifies the condition when the attached design partition is turned off by the input `switch_pin`.

For a coarse-grain switch cell, the `switch_function` attribute can be defined at both controlled power and ground pins (virtual VDD and virtual VSS for `pg_pin`) and the output pins. It identifies the signal pins that can turn the power pin on.

When the `switch_function` attribute is defined in the controlled power and ground pin, it is used to specify the Boolean condition under which the cell switches off (or drives an X to) the controlled design partitions, including the traditional signal input pins only with no related power pins to this output.

switch_pin Attribute

The `switch_pin` attribute is a pin-level Boolean attribute. When it is set to true, it is used to identify the pin as the switch pin of a coarse-grain switch cell.

function Attribute

The `function` attribute in a pin group defines the value of an output pin or inout pin in terms of the input pins or inout pins in the cell group or model group. The `function` attribute describes the Boolean function of only nonsleep input signal pins.

pg_function Attribute

The `pg_function` syntax is modified from the Boolean `function` attribute. In addition to its existing usage for signal output pins, it is used for the coarse-grain switch cells' virtual VDD output pins to represent the propagated power level through the switch as a function of the input power and ground pins. This is usually a logical buffer and is useful in cases where the VDD and VSS connectivity might be erroneously reversed.

In coarse grain switch cells, the `pg_function` attribute is specified inside the `pg_pin` group.

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` string attribute is used to identify the condition under which the cell's signal output pin is switched off (when the cell is in off mode due to the

external power pin states).

pg_pin Group

The cell-level `pg_pin` group is used to model the VDD and VSS pins and virtual VDD and VSS pins of a coarse-grain switch cell. The syntax is based on the Y-2006.06 power and ground pin syntax.

10.6.2 Fine-Grained Switch Support for Macro Cells

A macro cell with a fine-grained switch is a cell that contains a special switch transistor with a control pin that can turn off the power supply of the cell when it is idle. This significantly lowers the power consumption of a design.

With the growing popularity of low-power designs, macro cells with fine-grained switches play an important role. The syntax identifies a cell as a macro cell and specifies the correct power pin that supplies power to each signal pin.

Macro Cell With Fine-Grained Switch Syntax

```
cell(cell_name) {
    is_macro_cell : true;
    switch_cell_type : coarse_grain | fine_grain;

    pg_pin (power/ground pin name) {
        pg_type : primary_power | primary_ground | backup_power |
        backup_ground;
        direction: input | inout | output;
        ...
    }

    /* This is a special pg pin that uses "switch_function" to describe the
    logic to shut
    off the attached design partition */
    pg_pin (internal power/ground pin name) {
        direction: internal | input | output | inout;
        pg_type : internal_power | internal_ground;
        switch_function : "function_string";
        pg_function : "function_string";
        ...
    }

    pin (input_pin_name) {
        direction : input | inout;
        switch_pin : true | false;
        ...
    }
}
```

```

    ...
    pin(output_pin_name) {
        direction : output | inout;
        power_down_function : "function_string";
        ...
    } /* end pin group */
} /* end cell group */

```

Cell-Level Attributes

The following attributes are cell-level attributes for macro cells with fine-grained switches.

is_macro_cell Attribute

The `is_macro_cell` simple Boolean attribute identifies whether a cell is a macro cell. If the attribute is set to `true`, the cell is a macro cell. If it is set to `false`, the cell is not a macro cell.

switch_cell_type Attribute

The `switch_cell_type` attribute is enhanced to support macro cells with internal switches. The valid enumerated values for this attribute are `coarse_grain` and `fine_grain`.

pg_pin Group

The following attribute can be specified under the `pg_pin` group for macro cells with fine-grained switches.

direction Attribute

The `direction` attribute supports `internal` as a valid value for macros when the internal power and ground is not visible or accessible at the cell boundary.

10.6.3 Switch-Cell Modeling Examples

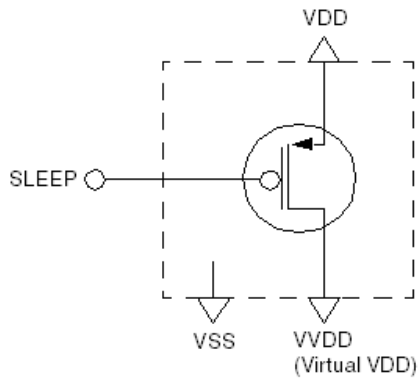
The following sections provide examples for a simple coarse-grain header switch cell and a complex coarse-grain header switch cell.

Simple Coarse-Grain Header Switch Cell

[Figure 10-17](#) and the example that follows it show a simple coarse-grain header switch cell.

Figure 10-17 Simple Coarse-Grain Header Switch Cell





```

library (simple_coarse_grain_lib) {

    ...
    current_unit : 1mA;
    ...

    voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
    voltage_map(VVDD, 0.8);
    voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);

    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        process : 1.0;
        voltage : 1.0;
        temperature : 25.0;
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

    lu_table_template ( ivt1 ) {
        variable_1 : input_voltage;
        variable_2 : output_voltage;
        index_1 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
        index_2 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
    }
    ...
    cell ( Simple_CG_Switch ) {
        ...
        switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;

        pg_pin ( VDD ) {
            pg_type : primary_power;
            direction : input;
            voltage_name : VDD;
        }
    }
}

```

```

}

pg_pin ( VVDD ) {
    pg_type : internal_power;
    voltage_name : VVDD;
    direction : output ;
    switch_function : "SLEEP" ;
    pg_function : "VDD" ;
}

pg_pin ( VSS ) {
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    direction : input;
    voltage_name : VSS;
}

/* I/V curve information */
dc_current ( ivt1 ) {
    related_switch_pin : SLEEP;      /* control pin */
    related_pg_pin : VDD;            /* source */
    related_internal_pg_pin : VVDD; /* drain */
    values( "0.010, 0.020, 0.030, 0.030, 0.030", \
            "0.011, 0.021, 0.031, 0.041, 0.051", \
            "0.012, 0.022, 0.032, 0.042, 0.052", \
            "0.013, 0.023, 0.033, 0.043, 0.053", \
            "0.014, 0.024, 0.034, 0.044, 0.054");
    }
    ...
}
pin ( SLEEP ) {
    switch_pin : true;
    capacitance: 1.0;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
} /* end pin */
} /* end cell */
} /* end library */

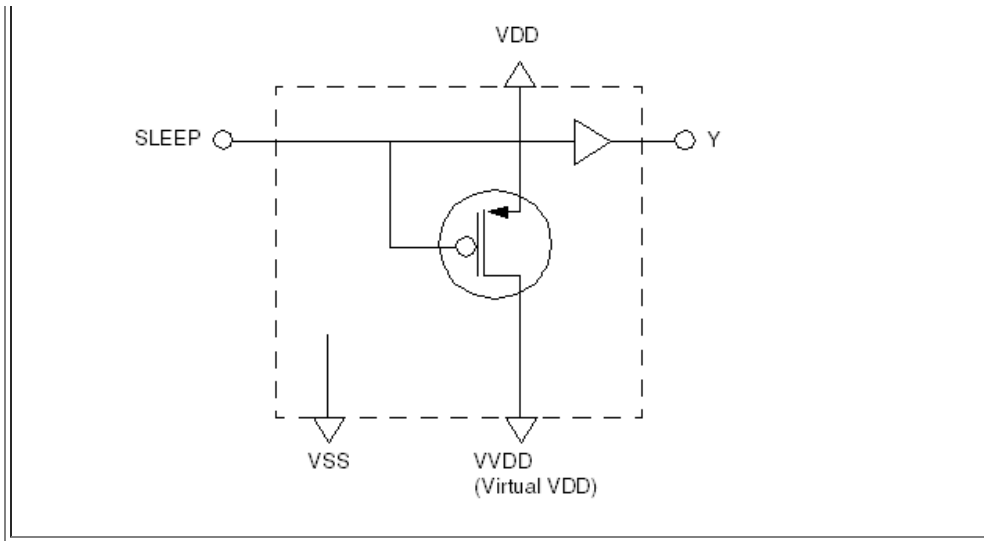
```

Complex Coarse-Grain Header Switch Cell

[Figure 10-18](#) and the example that follows it show a complex coarse-grain header switch cell.

Figure 10-18 Complex Coarse-Grain Header Switch Cell





```

library (complex_coarse_grain_lib) {
  ...
  current_unit : 1mA;
  ...
  voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
  voltage_map(VVDD, 0.8);
  voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);

  operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process : 1.0;
    voltage : 1.0;
    temperature : 25.0;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

  lu_table_template ( ivt1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_voltage;
    variable_2 : output_voltage;
    index_1 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
    index_2 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
  }
  ...
  cell ( Complex_CG_Switch ) {
    ...
    switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;
    pg_pin ( VDD ) {
      pg_type : primary_power;
      voltage_name : VDD;
      direction: input ;
    }
  }
  pg_pin ( VVDD ) {
    pg_type : internal_power;
  }
}

```

```

    direction : output ;
    voltage_name : VVDD;
    switch_function : "SLEEP";
    pg_function : "VDD" ;
}
pg_pin ( VSS ) {
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    voltage_name : VSS;
    direction : input ;
}

/* I/V curve information */
dc_current ( ivt1 ) {
    related_switch_pin : SLEEP;      /* control pin */
    related_pg_pin : VDD;            /* source power pin
*/
    related_internal_pg_pin : VVDD; /* drain internal power
pin*/
    values(
        "0.010, 0.020, 0.030, 0.040, 0.050", \
        "0.011, 0.021, 0.031, 0.041, 0.051", \
        "0.012, 0.022, 0.032, 0.042, 0.052", \
        "0.013, 0.023, 0.033, 0.043, 0.053", \
        "0.014, 0.024, 0.034, 0.044, 0.054");
    }

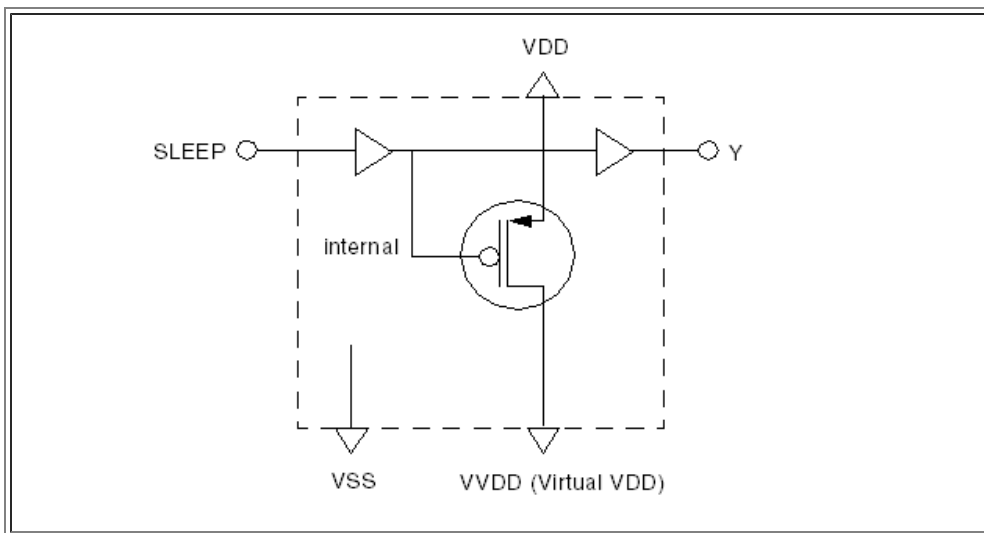
pin ( SLEEP ) {
    direction : input;
    switch_pin : true;
    capacitance: 1.0;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ...
}
...
pin (Y) {
    direction : output;
    function : "SLEEP";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    timing() {
        related_pin : SLEEP;
        ...
    }
} /* end pin group */
} /* end cell group*/
} /* end library group*/

```


Complex Coarse-Grain Switch Cell With an Internal Switch Pin

Figure 10-19 and the example that follows it show a complex coarse-grain switch cell with an internal switch pin.

Figure 10-19 Complex Coarse-Grain Switch Cell With an Internal Switch Pin



```
library (Complex_CG_lib) {  
    ...  
    current_unit : 1mA;  
    ...  
  
    voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);  
    voltage_map(VVDD, 0.8);  
    voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);  
  
    operating_conditions(XYZ) {  
        process : 1.0;  
        voltage : 1.0;  
        temperature : 25.0;  
    }  
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;  
  
    lu_table_template ( ivt1 ) {  
        variable_1 : input_voltage;  
        variable_2 : output_voltage;  
        index_1 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );  
        index_2 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

```

cell (COMPLEX_HEADER_WITH_INTERNAL_SWITCH_PIN) {
    cell_footprint : complex_mtpmos;
    area : 1.0;
    switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;
pg_pin(VDD) {
    voltage_name : VDD;
    pg_type : primary_power;
    direction : input;
}
pg_pin(VVDD) {
    voltage_name : VVDD;
    pg_type : internal_power;
    direction : output;
    switch_function : "SLEEP" ;
}
pg_pin(VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    direction : input;
}

dc_current(ivt1) {
    related_switch_pin : internal;
    related_pg_pin : VDD;
    related_internal_pg_pin : VVDD;
    values(
        "0.010, 0.020, 0.030, 0.040, 0.050", \
        "0.011, 0.021, 0.031, 0.041, 0.051", \
        "0.012, 0.022, 0.032, 0.042, 0.052", \
        "0.013, 0.023, 0.033, 0.043, 0.053", \
        "0.014, 0.024, 0.034, 0.044, 0.054");
    }

pin(SLEEP) {
    switch_pin : true;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ...
}

pin(Y) {
    direction : output;
    function : "SLEEP";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
}

```

```

    timing() {
        related_pin : "SLEEP"
        ...
    }
} /* end pin group */

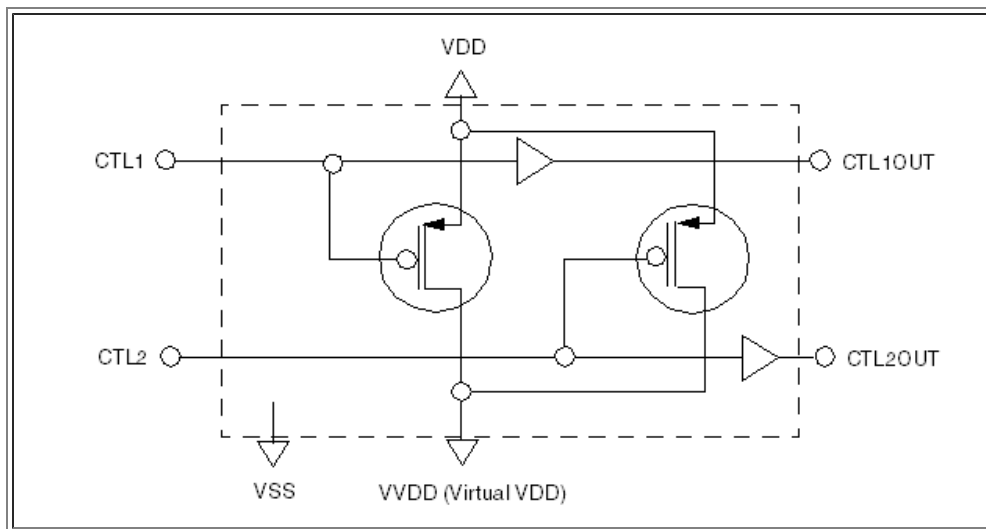
pin(internal) {
    direction : internal;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "SLEEP"
        ...
    }
} /* end pin group */
} /* end cell group */
} /* end library group */

```

Complex Coarse-Grain Switch Cell With Parallel Switches

[Figure 10-20](#) and the example that follows it show a complex coarse-grain switch cell with two parallel switches.

Figure 10-20 Complex Coarse-Grain Switch Cell With Two Parallel Switches



```

library (Complex_CG_lib) {
    ...
    current_unit : 1mA;
    ...

    voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
    voltage_map(VVDD, 0.8);
}

```

```

voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);

operating_conditions(XYZ) {
    process : 1.0;
    voltage : 1.0;
    temperature : 25.0;
}
default_operating_conditions : XYZ;

lu_table_template ( ivt1 ) {
variable_1 : input_voltage;
variable_2 : output_voltage;
index_1 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
index_2 ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.0" );
}
...

cell (COMPLEX_HEADER_WITH_TWO_PARALLEL_SWITCHES) {
    cell_footprint : complex_mtpmos;
    area : 1.0;
    switch_cell_type : coarse_grain;

pg_pin(VDD) {
    voltage_name : VDD;
    pg_type : primary_power;
    direction : input;
}
pg_pin(VVDD) {
    voltage_name : VVDD;
    pg_type : internal_power;
    direction : output;
    switch_function : "CTL1 & CTL2" ;
}
pg_pin(VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    direction : input;
}

dc_current(ivt1) {
    related_switch_pin : CTL1;
    related_pg_pin : VDD;
    related_internal_pg_pin : VVDD;
    values( "0.010, 0.020, 0.030, 0.040, 0.050", \
            "0.011, 0.021, 0.031, 0.041, 0.051", \

```

```

        "0.012, 0.022, 0.032, 0.042, 0.052", \
        "0.013, 0.023, 0.033, 0.043, 0.053", \
        "0.014, 0.024, 0.034, 0.044, 0.054");
    }

dc_current(ivt1) {
    related_switch_pin : CTL2;
    related_pg_pin : VDD;
    related_internal_pg_pin : VVDD;
    values(
        "0.010, 0.020, 0.030, 0.040, 0.050", \
        "0.011, 0.021, 0.031, 0.041, 0.051", \
        "0.012, 0.022, 0.032, 0.042, 0.052", \
        "0.013, 0.023, 0.033, 0.043, 0.053", \
        "0.014, 0.024, 0.034, 0.044, 0.054");
    }

pin(CTL1) {
    switch_pin : true;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ...
}

pin(CTL2) {
    switch_pin : true;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ...
}

pin(CTL1OUT) {
    direction : output;
    function : "CTL1";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
    timing() {
        related_pin : "CTL1"
        ...
    }
} /* end pin group */
pin(CTL2OUT) {

```

```

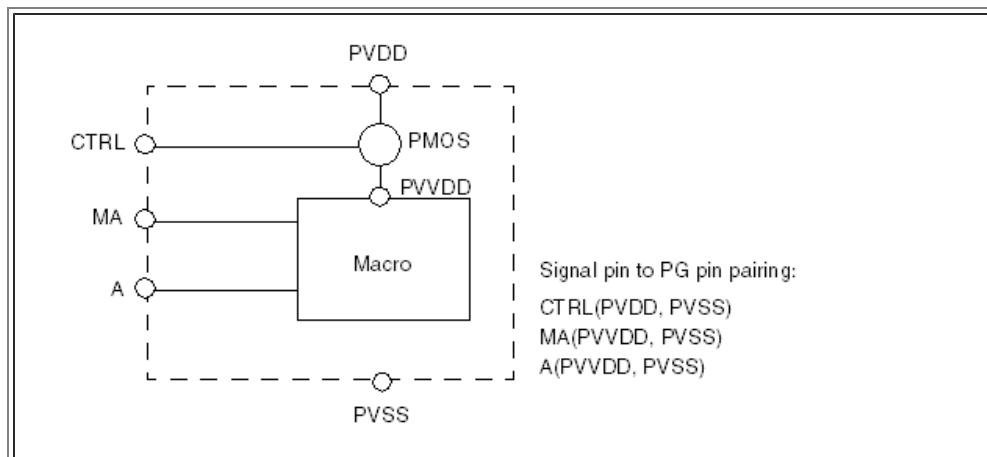
direction : output;
function : "CTL1";
related_power_pin : VDD;
related_ground_pin : VSS;
power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
timing() {
    related_pin : "CTL2"
    ...
}
} /* end pin group */
} /* end cell group */
} /* end library group */

```

Macro Cell With Fine-Grained Internal Power Switches

[Figure 10-21](#) and the example that follows it show a macro cell with fine-grained internal power switches. In the figure, the CTRL signal pin is linked to the PVDD and PVSS power and ground pin pair, and the MA signal pin and the A signal pin are linked to the PVVDD and PVSS power and ground pin pair.

Figure 10-21 Macro Cell With Fine-Grained Power Switch Schematics



```

library (macro_switch) {
    ...
    Voltage_map (PVDD, 1.0);
    Voltage_map (PVVDD, 1.0);
    Voltage_map (PVSS, 0.0);

    operating_conditions(XYZ) {
        process : 1.0;
        voltage : 1.0;
        temperature : 25.0;
    }
    default_operating_conditions : XYZ;
}

```

```

cell(MACRO) {
  is_macro_cell : true;
  switch_cell_type : fine_grain;
  ...

  pg_pin(PVDD) {
    voltage_name : PVDD;
    pg_type : primary_power;
    direction : input;
  }
  pg_pin(PVSS) {
    voltage_name : PVSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
    direction : input;
  }
  pg_pin(PVVDD) {
    voltage_name : PVVDD;
    pg_type : internal_power;
    direction : internal;
    switch_function : "CTRL";
    pg_function : "PVDD";
  }
  pin(CTRL) {
    direction : input;
    switch_pin : true;
    related_power_pin : PVDD;
    related_ground_pin : PVSS;
    ...
  }
  pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : PVVDD;
    related_ground_pin : PVSS;
    ...
  }
  pin(MA) {
    direction : input;
    power_down_function : "!PVDD + PVSS";
    related_power_pin : PVVDD;
    related_ground_pin : PVSS;
    ...
  }
}

```

10.7 Retention Cell Modeling

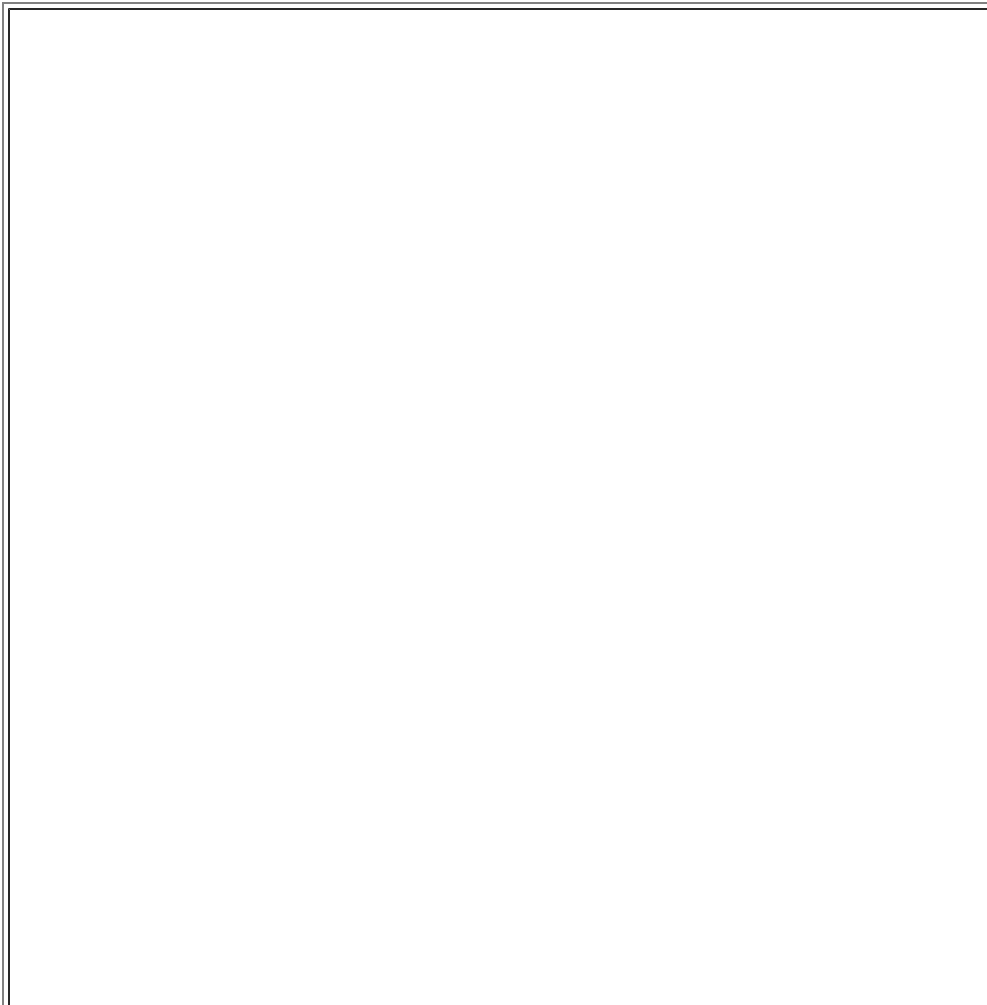
Some elements of an electronic design can store the logic state of the design. This is

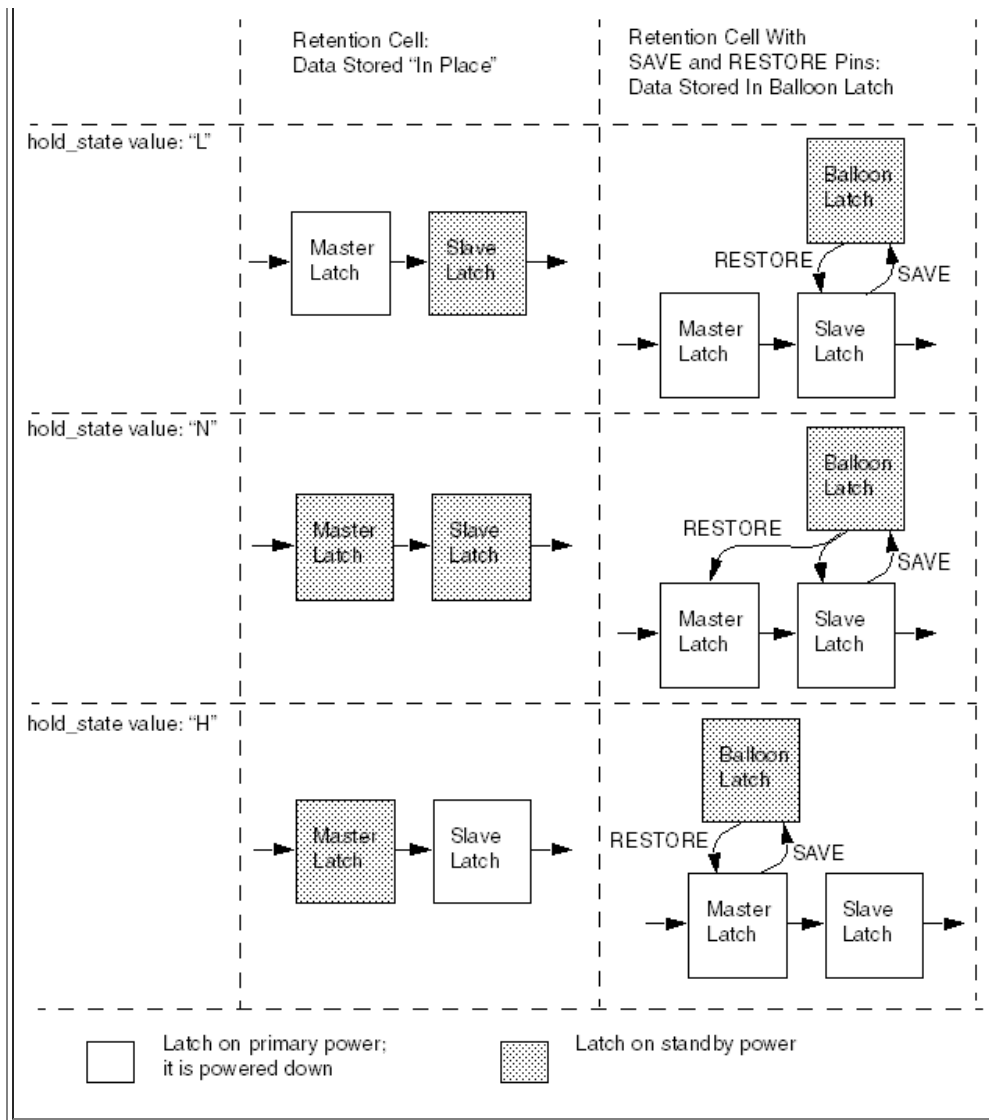
required for the design to wake up in the same state in which it was shut down. The retention cell is one such design element.

Retention cells are sequential cells that hold their state when the power supply is shut down and restore this state when the power is brought up again. The retention cell or register consists of a main register and a shadow register that has a different power supply. The power supply to the shadow register is always powered on to maintain the memory of the state. Therefore, the shadow register has high threshold-voltage transistors to reduce the leakage power. The main register has low threshold-voltage transistors for performance during the normal operation of the retention cell.

Retention cells are broadly classified into the store-in-place and balloon structures. [Figure 10-22](#) shows the two main retention cell structures. The store-in-place structure includes a master-slave latch where either the slave or the master latch stores the state of the cell when the master-slave latch is shut down. In this structure, the master-slave latch implements the main register while the latch that stores the state of the cell implements the shadow register. The balloon structure includes a flip-flop or master-slave latch and a balloon latch with a control logic that stores the state of the cell when the master-slave latch is shut down. In this structure, the master-slave latch implements the main register and the balloon latch implements the shadow register. The control logic includes signals, such as save and restore signals that control the data storage in the shadow register and the data transfer between the shadow register and the main register.

Figure 10-22 Retention Cell Structures





10.7.1 Modes of Operation

A retention cell has two modes of operation: *normal mode* and *retention mode*. The retention mode has three stages: *save event*, *sleep mode*, and *restore event*. For example, for the balloon structure, the master-slave latch operates in normal mode and the balloon latch operates in retention mode. The master-slave latch is considered to be edge-triggered. The normal and retention modes are described as follows:

- normal mode
 - In this mode, the retention cell is fully powered on and the master-slave latch operates normally. The balloon latch does not add to the load at the output of the retention cell.
- retention mode
 - save event
 - During this event, the current state of the master-slave latch is saved before the power to the latch is shut down. The balloon latch is considered to be edge-triggered during the save event. The trailing edge of the save control signal is the triggering edge.

- o sleep mode

In this mode, the master-slave latch is shut down.
- o restore event

During the restore event, a wake-up signal activates the master-slave latch and the data stored in the balloon latch is fed back to the master-slave latch. The state of the master-slave latch is restored just after the power is restored and before the retention cell operation returns to normal mode. The balloon latch is also considered to be edge-triggered during the restore event. The two methods to restore the state are:

 - The leading edge of the restore signal is the triggering edge for the balloon latch. The master-slave latch becomes transparent, that is, it does not latch the data. However, it outputs the same state that was saved in the balloon latch.
 - The trailing edge is the triggering edge for the balloon latch. The data is fully restored from the balloon latch and the flip-flop starts operating normally. In this method, the restored data is available for a shorter time.

10.7.2 Retention Cell Modeling Syntax

The following syntax shows the modeling of retention cells. The `reference_input` attribute defines the connectivity information for the input pins based on the `reference_pin_names` variable. The `reference_pin_names` variable specifies the internal reference input nodes used within the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, and `latch_bank` groups.

The sequential components of a retention cell are defined by using the flip-flop and latch syntax. The syntax to model the scan retention cells is identical to the syntax to model the scan sequential components. All scan retention cell functional models have a regular cell function that includes the scan pins as part of the function, while the `test_cell` group models the nonscan functionality of the retention cells with the scan pins that have been specified with the `signal_type` attributes.

```
cell(cell_name) {
  retention_cell : retention_cell_style;

  pg_pin (primary_power_name) {
    voltage_name : primary_power_name;
    pg_type : primary_power;
  }
  pg_pin (primary_ground_name) {
    voltage_name : primary_ground_name;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
  }
  pg_pin (backup_power_name) {
    voltage_name : backup_power_name;
    pg_type : backup_power;
  }
  pg_pin (backup_ground_name) {
    voltage_name : backup_ground_name;
    pg_type : backup_ground;
  }
  pin(pin_name) {
```

```

retention_pin(pin_class, disable_value);
related_ground_pin : backup_ground;
related_power_pin : backup_power;
save_action : L|H|R|F;
restore_action : L|H|R|F;
restore_edge_type : edge_trigger | leading | trailing;
...
}
...
retention_condition() {
    power_down_function: "Boolean_function";
    required_condition: "Boolean_function";
}
clock_condition() {

    clocked_on : "Boolean_expression";
    required_condition : "Boolean_expression";
    hold_state : L|H|N ;
    clocked_on_also : "Boolean_expression";
    required_condition_also : "Boolean_expression";
    hold_state_also : L|H|N;
}
preset_condition() {
    input : "Boolean_expression";
    required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
}
clear_condition() {
    input : "Boolean_expression" ;
    required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
}
pin(pin_name) {
    direction : inout | output | internal;
    function : Boolean_equation_with_internal_node_name;
    reference_input : pin_names;
    ...
}
bus(bus_name) {
    bus_type : bus_type_name;
    direction : inout | output | internal;
    function : Boolean_equation_with_internal_node_name;
    reference_input : pin_names;
    ...
}
ff ([ "reference_pin_names", ] variable1, variable2 ) {
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression" ;
    ...
}
latch ([ "reference_pin_names", ] variable1, variable2 ) {
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression";
    ...
}

```

```

    }
    ff_bank (["reference_pin_names",] variable1, variable2, bits)
  {
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression";
    ...
  }
  latch_bank (["reference_pin_names",] variable1, variable2, bits)
  {
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression";
    ...
  }
  ...
  statetable (...) {
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression";
    ...
  }
  ...
}
}

```

10.7.3 Cell-Level Attributes, Groups, and Variables

This section describes the cell-level attributes, groups, and variables for retention cell modeling.

retention_cell Simple Attribute

The `retention_cell` attribute identifies the type of the retention cell or register. For a given cell, there can be multiple types of retention cells that have the same function in normal mode but different sleep signals, wake signals, or clocking schemes. For example, if a D flip-flop supports two retention strategies, such as `type1` (where the data is transferred when the clock is low) and `type2` (where the data is transferred when the clock is high), the values of the `retention_cell` attribute are different, such as `DFF_type1` and `DFF_type2`.

ff, latch, ff_bank, and latch_bank Groups

The `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, and `latch_bank` groups define sequential blocks. Define these groups at the cell level. You can specify one or more of these groups within a cell group.

retention_condition Group

The `retention_condition` group is a group of attributes that specify the conditions for the retention cell to hold its state during the retention mode. The `retention_condition` group includes the `power_down_function` and `required_condition` attributes.

power_down_function Attribute

The `power_down_function` attribute specifies the Boolean condition for the retention

cell to be powered down—that is, the primary power to the cell is shut down. When this Boolean condition evaluates to true, it triggers the evaluation of the control input conditions specified by the `required_condition` attribute.

required_condition Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the control input conditions during the retention mode. For example, in [Figure 10-27](#), the retention signal, RET, is low during the retention mode. These conditions are checked when the Boolean condition specified by the `power_down_function` attribute evaluates to true. If these conditions are not met, the cell is considered to be in an illegal state.

Note:

Within the `retention_condition` group, the `power_down_function` attribute by itself does not specify the retention mode of the cell. The conditions specified by the `required_condition` attribute ensure that the retention control pin is in the correct state when the primary power to the cell is shut down.

clock_condition Group

The `clock_condition` group is a group of attributes that specify the conditions for correct signal during clock-based events. The `clock_condition` group includes two classes of attributes: attributes without the `_also` suffix and attributes with the `_also` suffix. These are similar to the `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes of the `ff` group.

clocked_on and clocked_on_also Attributes

The `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes specify the active edge of the clock signal. The Boolean expression of the `clocked_on` attribute must be identical to the one specified in the `clocked_on` attribute of the corresponding `ff` or `ff_bank` group.

For example, for a master-slave latch, use the `clocked_on` attribute on the clock to the master latch and the `clocked_on_also` attribute on the clock to the slave latch.

Note:

A single-stage flip-flop or latch does not use the `clocked_on_also` attribute.

required_condition and required_condition_also Attributes

The `required_condition` and `required_condition_also` attributes specify the input conditions during the active edge of the clock signal. These conditions are checked, respectively, at the values specified by the `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes. If any one of the conditions are not met, the cell is considered to be in an illegal state.

For example, when the `required_condition` attribute is checked at the rising edge of the clock signal specified by the `clocked_on` attribute, the `required_condition_also` attribute is also checked at the rising edge of the clock signal specified by the `clocked_on_also` attribute. If the `clocked_on_also` attribute is not specified, the `required_condition_also` attribute is checked at the falling

edge of the clock signal specified by the `clocked_on` attribute. This condition is checked when the slave latch is in the hold state.

hold_state and hold_state_also Attributes

The `hold_state` and `hold_state_also` attributes specify the values for the Boolean expressions of the `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes during the retention mode. The valid values are L (low), H (high), or N (no change).

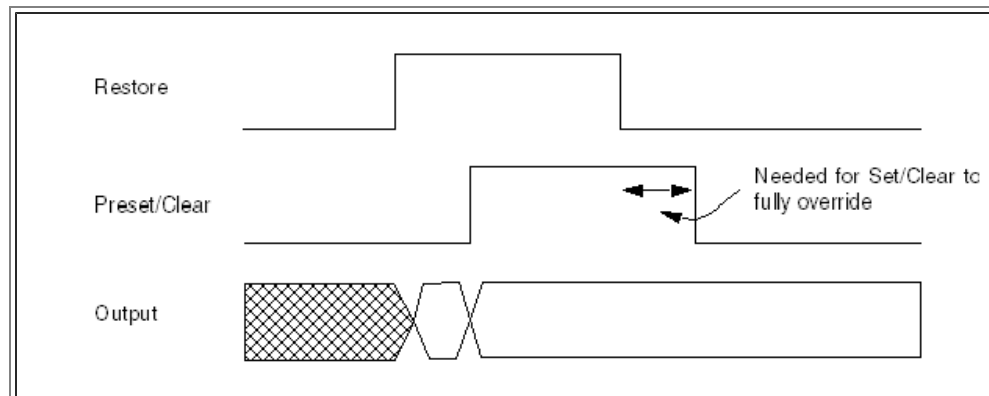
If the data is restored to both the master and slave latches, the value of the `hold_state` attribute is N. If the data is restored to the slave latch, the value of the `hold_state` attribute is L.

preset_condition and clear_condition Groups

The `preset_condition` and `clear_condition` groups contain attributes that specify the conditions, respectively, for the present and clear signals in the normal mode of the retention cell.

The asynchronous control signals, preset and clear, have higher priority over the clock signal. However, these signals do not control the balloon latch. Therefore, if the preset or clear signals are asserted during the restore event, these signals need to be active for a time longer than the restore event so that the master-slave latch content is successfully overwritten, as shown in [Figure 10-23](#). Therefore, the preset and clear signals must be checked at the trailing edge.

Figure 10-23 *Preset and Clear Signal Overlaps With Restore*



input Attribute

The `input` attribute specifies how the preset or clear control signal is asserted. The Boolean expression of the `input` attribute must be identical to one specified in the `input` attribute of the `ff` group.

required_condition Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the input condition during the active edge of the preset or clear signal. The `required_condition` attribute is checked at the trailing edge of the preset or clear signal. When the input condition is not met, the cell is in an illegal state.

reference_pin_names Variable

The `reference_pin_names` variable specifies the input nodes that are used for internal reference within the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` groups. If you do not specify the `reference_pin_names` variable, the node names in the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` groups are considered to be the actual pin or bus names of the cell.

variable1 and variable2 Variables

The `variable1` and `variable2` variables define the output nodes for internal reference. The values of the `variable1` and `variable2` variables in the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` groups must be unique for a cell.

bits Variable

The `bits` variable defines the width of the `ff_bank` and `latch_bank` component.

10.7.4 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes the pin-level attributes for retention cell modeling.

retention_pin Complex Attribute

The `retention_pin` attribute identifies the retention pins of a retention cell. In the normal mode, the retention pins are disabled.

The `retention_pin` attribute has the following argument:

- Pin class

The values are

- `restore`
Restores the state of the cell.
- `save`
Saves the state of the cell.
- `save_restore`
Saves and restores the state of the cell. When a single pin in a retention cell performs both the save and restore operations, specify the `retention_pin` attribute with the `save_restore` value. The retention pin is in save mode when it saves the data. The retention pin is in restore mode when it restores the data.

function Attribute

The `function` attribute maps an output, inout, or internal pin to a corresponding internal node or a value of the `variable1` or `variable2` variable in a `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` group. The `function` attribute also accepts a Boolean equation containing the `variable1` or `variable2` variable and other input, inout, or internal pins. Define the `function` attribute in a pin or bus group.

reference_input Attribute

The `reference_input` attribute specifies the input pins that map to the reference pin

<code>ff</code>	<code>latch</code>	<code>ff bank</code>	<code>latch bank</code>
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names of the corresponding , , , or group. For each inout, output, or internal pin, the variable1 or variable2 value specified in the function statement determines the corresponding ff, latch, ff_bank, or latch_bank group. You can define the reference_input attribute in a pin or bus group.

save_action and restore_action Attributes

The save_action and restore_action attributes specify where the save and restore events occur with respect to the save and restore control signals, respectively. Valid values are L (low), H (high), R (rise), and F (fall). The L or H values indicate that the data is actually stored in the balloon latch at the trailing edge of the save signal. The R or F values indicate that this edge of the restore signal specifies when the data stored in the balloon latch is available at the output of the master-slave latch.

restore_edge_type Attribute

The restore_edge_type attribute specifies the type of the edge of the restore signal where the output of the master-slave latch is restored. The restore_edge_type attribute supports the following edge types: edge_trigger, leading, and trailing. The default edge type is leading. This is because the other control signals, such as clock, preset, and clear are of leading edge type, that is, they make the data available at the output of the master-slave latch when the latch is transparent.

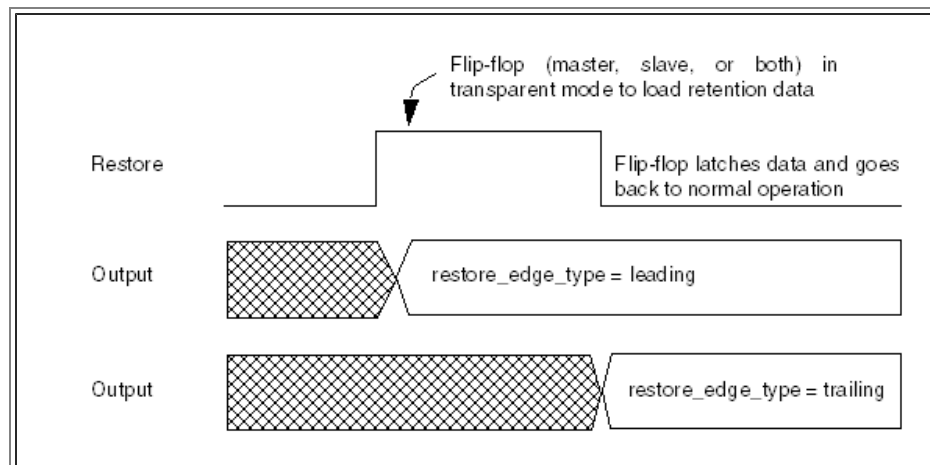
The edge_trigger type indicates that the output of the master-slave latch is restored at the edge of the restore signal. The master-slave latch resumes normal operation immediately thereafter.

The leading edge type indicates that the output of the master-slave latch is restored at the leading edge of the restore signal. The master-slave latch resumes normal operation after the trailing edge of the restore signal.

The trailing edge type indicates that the output of the master-slave latch is restored at the trailing edge of the restore signal. The master-slave latch resumes normal operation after the trailing edge of the restore signal.

Figure 10-24 shows the valid data windows when the restore_edge_type attribute is set to the leading and trailing edge types.

Figure 10-24 Valid Data Window for leading and trailing Values of the restore_edge_type Attribute



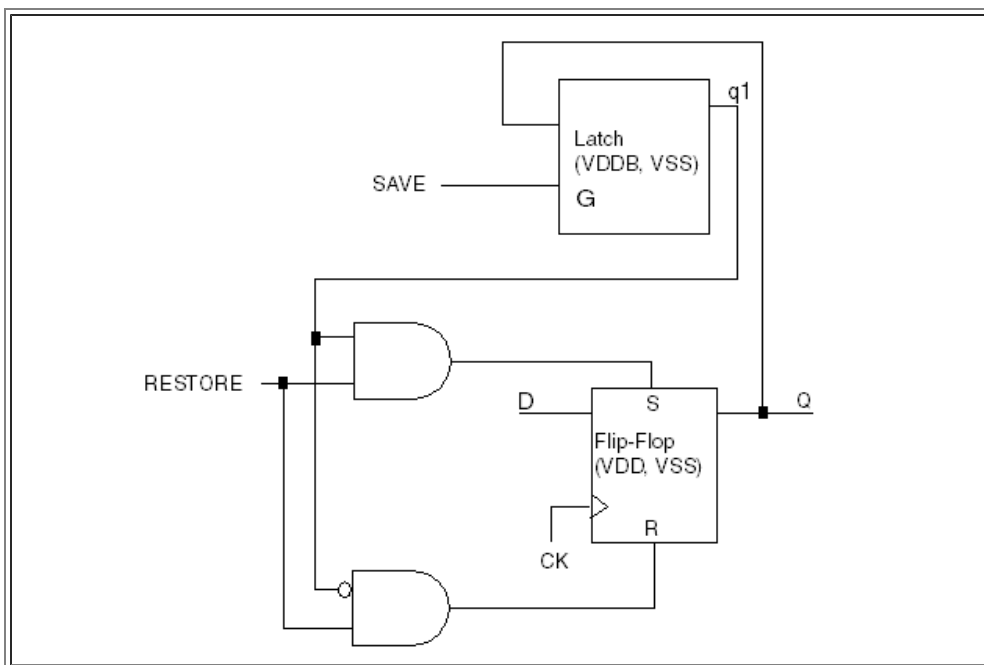
save_condition and restore_condition Attributes

The `save_condition` and `restore_condition` attributes specify the input conditions during the save and restore events respectively. These conditions are respectively checked at the values of the `save_action` and `restore_action` attributes. If any one of the conditions are not met, the cell is considered to be in an illegal state.

10.7.5 Retention Cell Model Examples

Figure 10-25 shows a retention cell structure that is defined using the `ff` or `latch` group. The cell has a balloon latch structure to store the data when the main flip-flop is shut down. The data is transferred to the output of the retention cell at the rising edge of the clock signal, CK. The SAVE and RESTORE pins save and restore the data.

Figure 10-25 Retention Cell Model Schematic With Balloon Latch



Example 10-12 Retention Cell With Balloon Latch

```
library (BALLOON_RET_FLOP) {
  delay_model : table_lookup;
  input_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
  input_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
  slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
  slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
  slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
  slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
}
```

```

time_unit : "1ns";
voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit (0.1,ff);

voltage_map (VDD, 1.0);
voltage_map (VDDB, 0.9);
voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);

nom_process : 1.0;
nom_temperature : 25.0;
nom_voltage : 1.1;

operating_conditions(typ) {
    process : 1.0 ;
    temperature : 25 ;
    voltage : 1.1 ;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree" ;
}
default_operating_conditions : typ;
wire_load("05*05") {
    resistance : 1.0 ;
    capacitance : 25 ;
    area : 1.1 ;
    slope : "balanced_tree" ;
    fan_out_length(1,0.39);
}

cell (balloon_ret_cell) {

    retention_cell : retdiff;
    area : 1.0 ;

    pg_pin(VDD) {
        voltage_name : VDD;
        pg_type : primary_power;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    pg_pin(VDDB) {
        voltage_name : VDDB;
        pg_type : backup_power;
    }
}

```

```

ff ( Q1, QN1 ) {
    clocked_on : " CK ";
    next_state : " D ";
    clear : " RESTORE * !Q2 ";
    preset : " RESTORE * Q2 ";
    clear_preset_var1 : "L";
    clear_preset_var2 : "H";
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
/* Latch 1 is powered by primary power supply */
}
latch("Q2", "QN2") {
    enable : " SAVE ";
    data_in : "Q";
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
/* Latch 2 is powered by backup power supply */
}
clock_condition() {
    clocked_on : "CK";
    required_condition : "RESTORE";
    hold_state : L;
}

pin(RESTORE) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDDB;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    retention_pin(restore, "0");
    restore_action : "H";
    restore_condition : "!CK";
    restore_edge_type : "leading";
}
pin(SAVE) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDDB;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    retention_pin(save, "0");
    save_action : "H";
    save_condition : "!CK";
}
pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}
pin(CK) {

```

```

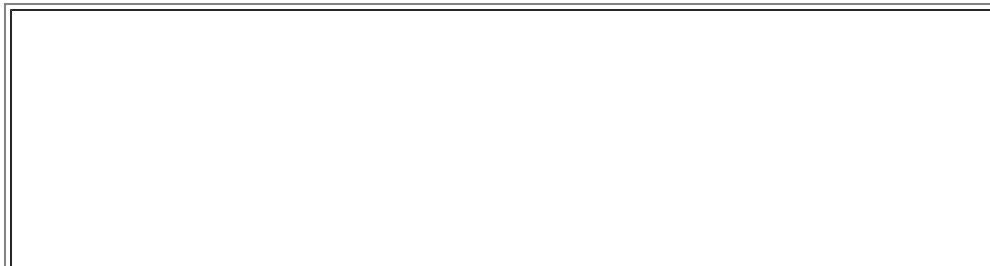
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output;
    function : "Q1";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "CK";
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        cell_rise(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        rise_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        cell_fall(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
        fall_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
    }
}
retention_condition() {
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
    required_condition: "!SAVE";
}
/*
pin(q1) {
    direction : internal;
    function : "Q2";
}
*/
} /* End cell group */
} /* End Library group */

```

[Figure 10-26](#) shows a schematic of a basic retention cell. The state of the cell is stored inside the slave latch that is powered by the backup power VDDB. [Figure 10-27](#) shows the valid values of the input control signals when the cell is in retention mode.

In the figure, and in [Example 10-13](#), the reference cells are defined by using the `latch` group syntax. The connectivity information for the input pins is specified in the `reference_input` attribute that is mapped to the reference pin names of the corresponding `latch` group.

Figure 10-26 Simple Retention Cell Model Schematic



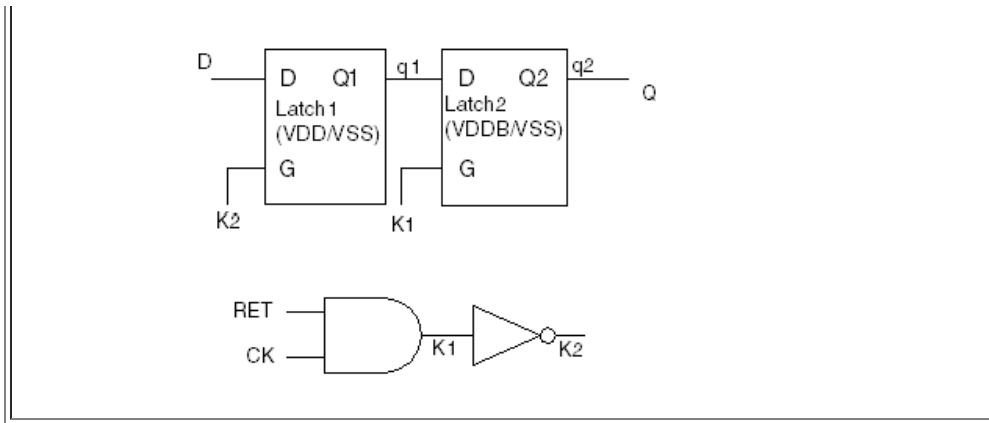
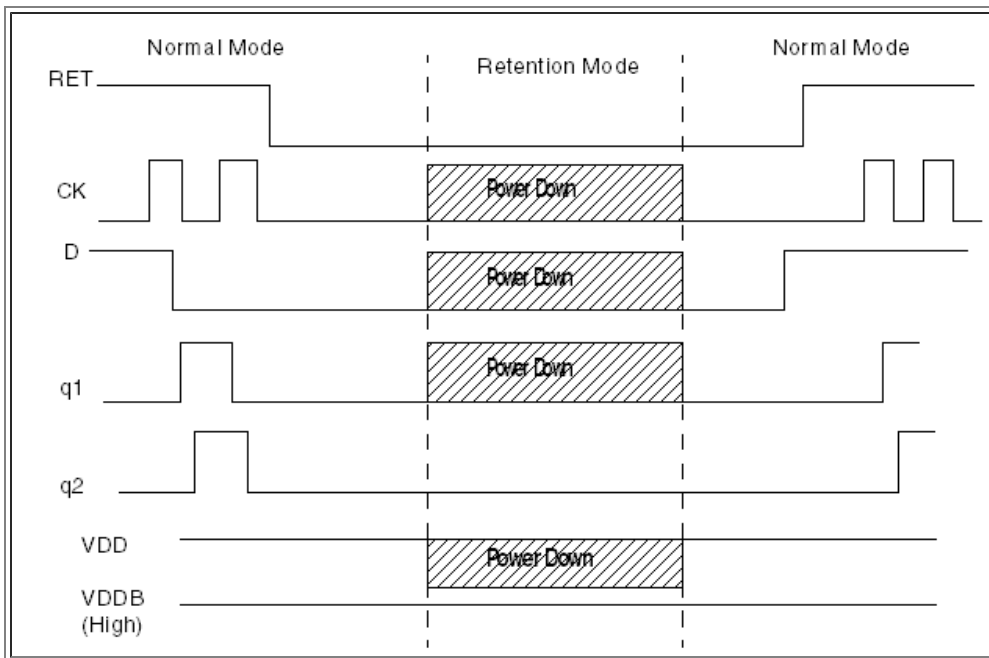


Figure 10-27 Valid RET and CK Signal Values in the Retention Mode



Note:

To retain the stored data, the retention signal, RET, must be low during the retention mode. This condition is specified by the `required_condition` attribute of the `retention_condition` group.

Example 10-13 Retention Cell Model Example Using Multiple Latch Group

```
library (RET_FLOP) {
  delay_model : table_lookup;

  input_threshold_pct_rise      : 50 ;
  input_threshold_pct_fall     : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_rise    : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_fall    : 50 ;
```

```

slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;

time_unit           : "1ns";
voltage_unit        : "1V";
current_unit         : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit (0.1,ff);

voltage_map (VDD, 1.0);
voltage_map (VDDDB, 0.9);
voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);

nom_process          : 1.0;
nom_temperature      : 25.0;
nom_voltage          : 1.1;

operating_conditions(xyz) {
    process : 1.0 ;
    temperature : 25 ;
    voltage : 1.1 ;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree" ;
}
default_operating_conditions : xyz;
... /* Other library level attributes and groups */

cell (retention_flip_flop) {
    retention_cell : retdiff;
    area : 1.0;

    pg_pin (VDD) {
        voltage_name : VDD;
        pg_type : primary_power;
    }
    pg_pin (VSS) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    pg_pin (VDDDB) {
        voltage_name : VDDDB;
        pg_type : backup_power;
    }
}

```

```

    }
    latch ( Q1, QN1 ) {
        enable : "(RET * CK)";
        data_in : "D";
        power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
/* Latch1 is powered by primary power supply */
    }
    latch("Q2", "QN2") {
        enable : "RET * CK";
        data_in : "Q1";
        power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
/* Latch2 is powered by backup power supply */
    }

    clock_condition() {
        clocked_on : "CK";
        required_condition : "RET";
        hold_state : "L";

pin (RET) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    retention_pin(save_restore, "1");
    save_action : "L";
    restore_action : "H";
    save_condition : "!CK";
    restore_condition : "!CK";
    restore_edge_type : "leading";
}

pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

pin(CK) {
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

pin (Q) {
    direction : output;
    function : "Q2";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    timing() {

```

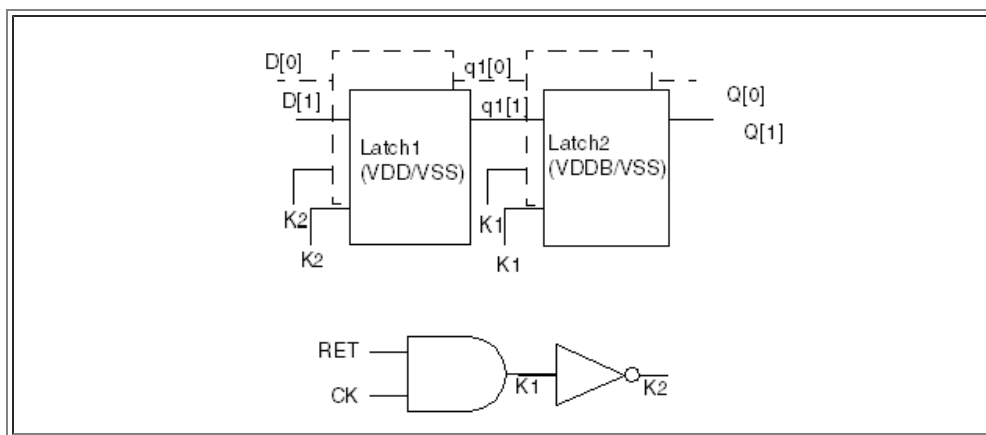
```

related_pin : "CK";
timing_type : rising_edge;
cell_rise(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
rise_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
cell_fall(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
fall_transition(scalar) { values ( "0.1");}
}
}
retention_condition() {
power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
required_condition: "!RET";
}
} /* End Cell group */
} /* End Library group */

```

Figure 10-28 and Example 10-14 show a retention cell structure that is defined using the latch_bank group that has multibit parallel inputs and output buses in the datapath and the clock path.

Figure 10-28 Multibit (2-bit) Retention Cell Model Schematic



Example 10-14 Retention Cell Model Example Using Multiple latch_bank Groups

```

library (RET_FLOP_BANK) {

input_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
input_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
output_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
output_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;

time_unit : "1ns";

```



```

voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
capacitive_load_unit (0.1,ff);

voltage_map (VDD, 1.0);
voltage_map (VDDDB, 0.9);
voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);

nom_process : 1.0;
nom_temperature : 25.0;
nom_voltage : 1.1;

operating_conditions(xyz) {
    process : 1.0 ;
    temperature : 25 ;
    voltage : 1.1 ;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree" ;
}
default_operating_conditions : xyz;

type (bus2) {
    base_type : array;
    data_type : bit;
    bit_width : 2;
    bit_from : 0;
    bit_to : 1;
    downto : false;
}

cell (retention_flip_bank) {
    retention_cell : retdiff_bank;
    area : 1.0;

    pg_pin(VDD) {
        voltage_name : VDD;
        pg_type : primary_power;
    }

    pg_pin(VSS) {
        voltage_name : VSS;
        pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
}

```

```

pg_pin(VDDB) {
    voltage_name : VDDB;
    pg_type : backup_power;
}

latch_bank ("Q1", "QN1", 2) {
    enable : "(RET * CK)";
    data_in : "SE'*D + SE*SI";
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
}

latch_bank ("Q2", "QN2", 2) {
    enable : " RET * CK ";
    data_in : " q1 ";
    power_down_function : "!VDDB+VSS";
}

clock_condition() {
    clocked_on : " CK ";
    required_condition : " RET ";
    hold-state : " L ";
}

bus(D) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

bus(q1) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : internal;
    function : "Q1";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

bus(Q) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : output;
    function : "Q2";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

pin(RET) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDDB;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}

```

```

    retention_pin("restore", 1);
    save_action : "L";
    restore_action : "H";
    save_condition : "!CK";
    restore_condition : "!CK";
    restore_edge_type : "leading";
}

pin(CK) {
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}
retention_condition() {
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
    required_condition: "!RET";
}
bus(SI) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}
bus(SE) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
}
cell_leakage_power : 1.000000;

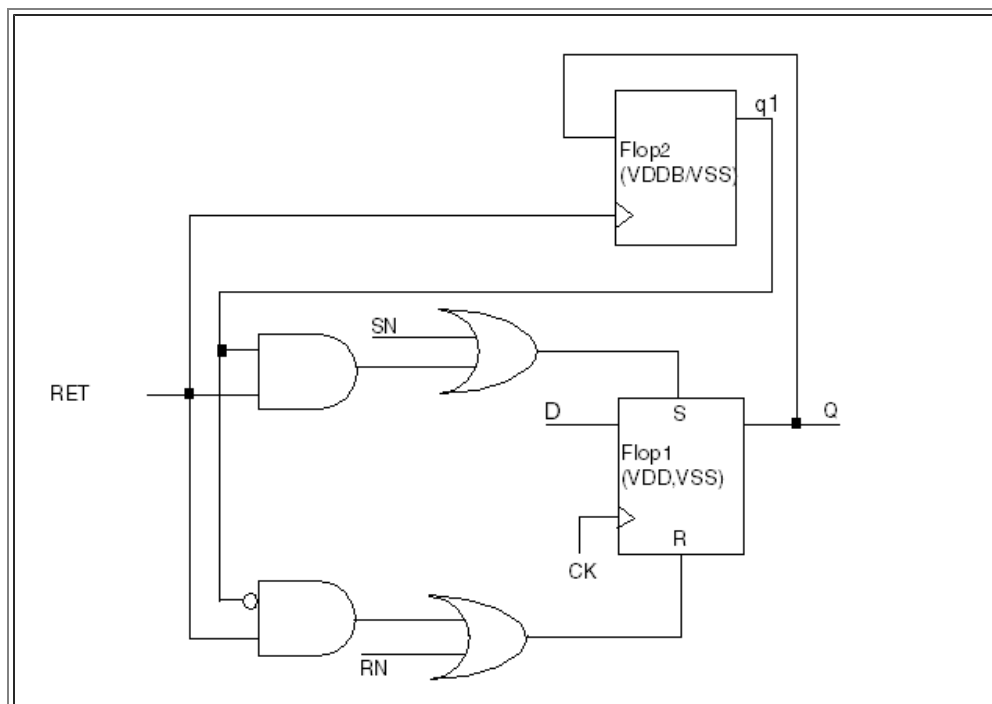
} /* End Cell group */
} /* End Library group */

```

[Figure 10-29](#) shows a retention cell structure with two `ff` groups. The cell has a balloon latch or flip-flop to store the data when the main flip-flop is shut down. The data is transferred to the output of the main flip-flop, Flop1, on the rising edge of the clock signal, CK, when the asynchronous preset, SN, and clear, RN, are inactive. In retention mode, the retention pin, RET, saves the data into the balloon flip-flop and restores the data from the balloon flip-flop to the output pin of the retention cell. At the rising edge of the RET signal, the data is saved inside the balloon flip-flop, Flop2, and Flop1 is shut down. When the power to Flop1 is brought up and the retention pin, RET, becomes

inactive, the data from Flop2 is restored to Flop1 at the falling edge of the RET signal.

Figure 10-29 Edge-Triggered Retention Cell Model Schematic



Example 10-15 Retention Cell With Edge-Triggered Balloon Logic

```

library(edge_triggered_retention) {
delay_model : table_lookup;
time_unit   : "1ns";
voltage_unit : "1V";
current_unit : "1uA";
capacitive_load_unit (0.1, ff);
default_fanout_load : 1.0;
default_inout_pin_cap : 1.0;
default_input_pin_cap : 1.0;
default_output_pin_cap : 1.0;
input_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
input_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
output_threshold_pct_rise : 50 ;
output_threshold_pct_fall : 50 ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
voltage_map(VDD, 1.0);
voltage_map(VDDB, 1.0);
voltage_map(VSS, 0.0);
  nom_process : 1.0;
  nom_temperature : 25.0;
  nom_voltage : 1.1;
}

```

```

operating_conditions(xyz) {
    process : 1.0 ;
    temperature : 25 ;
    voltage : 1.1 ;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree" ;
}
default_operating_conditions : xyz;
cell (edge_trigger) {
    retention_cell : "edge_trigger";
    ... /* Other cell-level attributes and groups */
    pg_pin (VDD) {
        voltage_name : "VDD";
        pg_type : "primary_power";
    }
    pg_pin (VDDB) {
        voltage_name : "VDDB";
        pg_type : "backup_power";
    }
    pg_pin (VSS) {
        voltage_name : "VSS";
        pg_type : "primary_ground";
    }
    ff ("IQ1" , "IQN1") {
        next_state : "D";
        clocked_on : "CK";
        clear : "RN + (RET * q1)";
        preset : "SN + (RET * q1)";
        clear_preset_var1 : L;
        clear_preset_var1 : H;
        power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS"; /* Flip-
Flop "Flop1" is powered
by Primary power supply */
    }
    ff ("IQ2" , "IQN2") {
        next_state : "Q";
        clocked_on : "RET";
        power_down_function : "!VDDS + VSS"; /* Flip-
Flop "Flop2" is powered
by Primary power supply */
    }
    clock_condition() {
        clocked_on : "CK"; /* clock must be Low to go into retention mode
*/
        hold_state : "N"; /* when clock switches (either direction), RET must
be High */
        condition : "RET";
    }
    clear_condition() {

```

```

    input : "!RN"; /* When clear de-
asserts, RET must be high to allow
                Low value to be transferred to Flop1
*/

```

```

    required_condition : "RET";
}
preset_condition() {
    input : "!SN"; /* When clear de-
asserts, RET must be high to allow
High value to be transferred to Flop1 */
    required_condition : "RET";
}
retention_condition() {
    power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
    required_condition: "!RET";
}
pin (q1) {
    direction : "internal";
    function : "IQ2";
    related_power_pin : "VDD";
    related_ground_pin : "VSS";
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (CK) {
    direction : "input";
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 1.0;
    related_power_pin : "VDD";
    related_ground_pin : "VSS";

    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (RET) {
    related_power_pin : "VDDDB";
    related_ground_pin : "VSS";
    capacitance : 1.0;
    direction : "input";
    retention_pin("save_restore",0);
    save_action : "R";
    restore_action : "R";
    save_condition : "!CK";
    restore_condition : "!CK";
    restore_edge_type : "leading";
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (D) {
    direction : "input";
    related_power_pin : "VDD";

```

```

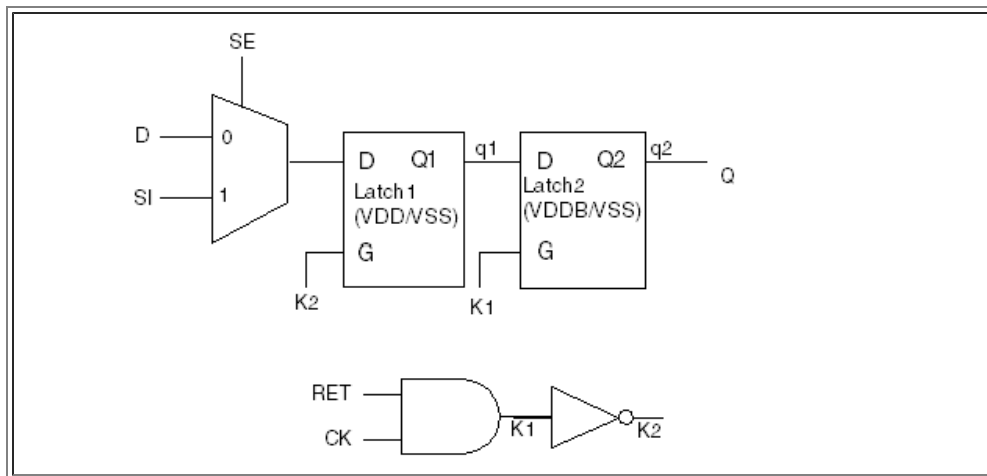
related_ground_pin : "VSS";
capacitance : 1.0;
... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (RN) {
direction : "input";
related_power_pin : "VDD";
related_ground_pin : "VSS";
capacitance : 1.0;
... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (SN) {
direction : "input";
related_power_pin : "VDD";

related_ground_pin : "VSS";
capacitance : 1.0;
... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin (Q) {
direction : "output";
function : "IQ1";
related_power_pin : "VDD";
related_ground_pin : "VSS";
... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
} /* End Pin group */
} /* End Cell group */
} /* End Library group */

```

[Figure 10-30](#) and [Example 10-16](#) show a scan retention cell structure that is defined using the latch group. The cell is the scan version of the retention cell modeled in [Example 10-13](#). Similar to [Example 10-13](#), this retention cell structure is also a store in-place retention cell.

Figure 10-30 MUX-Scan Retention Cell Model Schematic



Example 10-16 MUX-Scan Retention Cell Model

```
library (Retention_cell_Example) {
  delay_model : table_lookup;
  time_unit   : "1ns";
  voltage_unit : "1V";
  current_unit : "1uA";
  capacitive_load_unit (0.1,ff);
  default_fanout_load : 1.0;
  default_inout_pin_cap : 1.0;
  default_input_pin_cap : 1.0;
  default_output_pin_cap : 1.0;
  input_threshold_pct_rise      : 50 ;
  input_threshold_pct_fall      : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_rise     : 50 ;
  output_threshold_pct_fall     : 50 ;
  slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
  slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
  slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
  slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
  voltage_map (VDD, 1.0);
  voltage_map (VDDDB, 0.9);
  voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);

  nom_process      : 1.0;
  nom_temperature  : 25.0;
  nom_voltage      : 1.1;

  operating_conditions(xyz) {
    process : 1.0 ;
    temperature : 25 ;
    voltage : 1.1 ;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree" ;
  }
  default_operating_conditions : xyz;
  ... /* Other library-level attributes */

  cell (scan_retention_cell) {
    retention_cell : my_scan_ret_cell;
    ... /* Other cell-level attributes and groups */
    pg_pin(VDD) {
      voltage_name : VDD;
      pg_type : primary_power;
    }
    pg_pin(VSS) {
      voltage_name : VSS;
      pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    pg_pin(VDDDB) {
      voltage_name : VDDDB;
      pg_type : backup_power;
    }
  }
}
```



```

}
pin(RET) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDDB;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    retention_pin(save_restore, "1");
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin(D) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin(CK) {
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output;
    function : "Q2";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    reference_input : "RET CK q1";
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
pin(q1) {
    direction : internal;
    function : "Q1";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    reference_input : "RET CK SE D SI";
    ... /* Other pin-level attributes and groups */
}
    retention_condition() {
        power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS";
        required_condition: "!RET";
    }
    latch ("p1 p2,p3,p4,p5", "Q1", "QN1") {
        enable : " p1' + p2' ";
        data_in : " p3'*p4 + p3*p5 ";
    }
power_down_function : "!VDD+VSS"; /* Latch 1 is powered by Primary
power supply */

```

```

}

latch ("p1 p2 p3", "Q2", "QN2") {
    enable : " p1 * p2 ";
    data_in : " p3 ";
power_down_function : "!VDDDB+VSS"; /* Latch 2 is powered by Backup

power supply */
}
test_cell() {
    pin(SI) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_in";
    }
    pin(RET) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(D) {
        direction : input;
    }
    pin(SE) {
        direction : input;
        signal_type : "test_scan_enable";
    }
    pin(CK) {
        direction : input;
    }
    latch ("Q1", "QN1" ) {
        enable : " RET' + CK' ";
        data_in : " D ";
    }

    latch ("Q2", "QN2") {
        enable : " RET * CK ";
        data_in : " q1 ";
    }
    pin (q1) {
        direction : internal;
        function : "Q1";
    }
    pin(Q) {
        direction : output;
        signal_type : "test_scan_out";
        function : "Q2";
    } /* End Pin group */
} /* End test_cell group */
} /* End cell group */
} /* End Library group */

```

10.8 Always-On Cell Modeling

In complex low-power designs, some signals need to be routed through blocks that have been shut down. As a result, a variety of cell categories require “always-on” signal pins. Always-on cells remain powered on by a backup power supply in the region where they are placed even when the main power supply is switched off. The cells also have a secondary backup power pin that supplies the current that is necessary when the main supply is not available.

For tools to recognize always-on cells in the reference library and use them during special always-on synthesis, library models need an attribute that can identify them. Liberty syntax provides the `always_on` attribute to identify always-on cells and pins. The following cell categories support always-on signals: `always_on` cell buffers or inverters, pins on retention cells, pins on switch cells, and pins on isolation cells. There is no restriction on any specific cell.

10.8.1 Always-On Cell Syntax

```
library (library_name) {  
  ...  
  cell (cell_name) {  
    always_on : true;  
    ...  
    pin (pin_name) {  
      always_on : true;  
      ... }  
    ... }  
  ... }
```

10.8.2 `always_on` Simple Attribute

The `always_on` simple attribute models always-on cells and signal pins. The `always_on` attribute is automatically added to buffer or inverter cells that have input and output pins that are linked to backup power or backup ground PG pins. The `always_on` attribute is supported at the cell level and at the pin level.

Note:

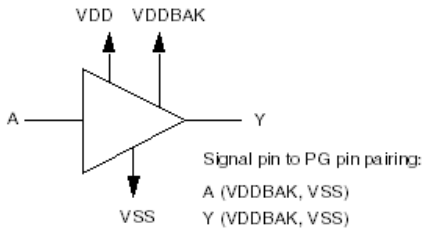
Some macro cell input pins require that you specify the `always_on` attribute for always-on pins.

10.8.3 Always-On Simple Buffer Example

[Figure 10-31](#) and the example that follows it show a simple always-on cell buffer. In the figure, the A signal pin and the Y signal pin are linked to the VDDBAK and VSS power and ground pin pair.

Figure 10-31 Simple Always-On Cell Buffer





```

library (my_library) {
  ...

  voltage_map (VDD, 1.0);
  voltage_map (VDDBAK, 1.0);
  voltage_map (VSS, 0.0);
  ...

  cell(buffer_type_AO) {
    always_on : true;
/* The always-on attribute is not required at the cell
level if the cell is an always-on cell*/
    /* Other cell level information */

    pg_pin(VDD) {
      voltage_name : VDD;
      pg_type : primary_power;
    }

    pg_pin(VDDBAK) {
      voltage_name : VDDBAK;
      pg_type : backup_power;
    }

    pg_pin(VSS) {
      voltage_name : VSS;
      pg_type : primary_ground;
    }
    ...
    pin (A) {
/* The always-on attribute is not required at the pin
level if the cell is an always-on cell*/
      related_power_pin : VDDBAK;
      related_ground_pin : VSS;
      /* Other pin level information */
    }
    pin (Y) {

```

```

/* The always-on attribute is not required at the pin
level if the cell is an always-on cell*/
function : "A";
related_power_pin : VDDBAK;
related_ground_pin : VSS;
power_down_function : "!VDDBAK + VSS";
/* Other pin level information */
} /* End Pin group */

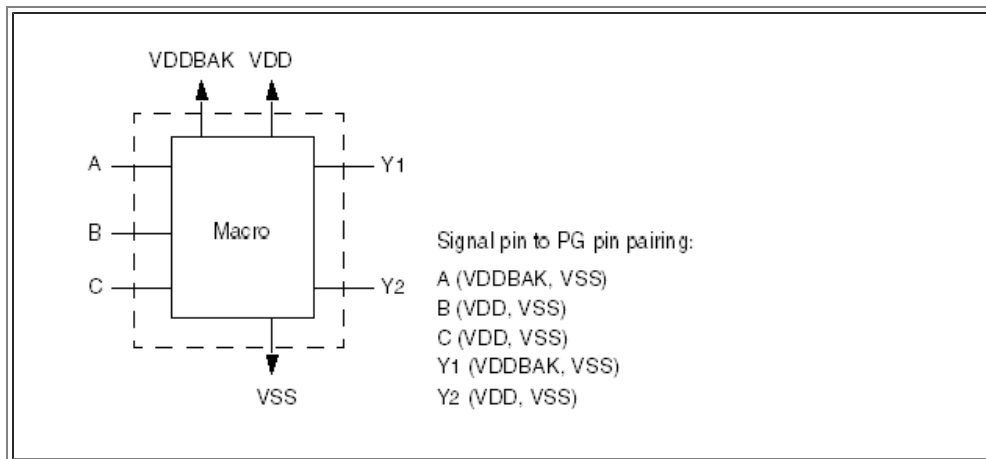
} /* End Cell group */
...
} /* End Library group */

```

10.8.4 Macro Cell With an Always-On Pin Example

[Figure 10-32](#) and the example that follows it show a macro cell with one always-on pin. In the figure, the A signal pin and Y1 signal pin are linked to the VDDBAK and VSS power and ground pin pair. The B, C, and Y2 signal pins are linked to the VDD and VSS power and ground pin pair.

Figure 10-32 Macro Cell With an Always-On Pin



```

library (my_library) {
...
voltage_map (VDD, 2.0) ;
voltage_map (VSS, 0.1) ;
voltage_map (VDDBAK, 1.0) ;
...
cell(Macro_cell_with_AO_pins) {
/* other cell level information */

pg_pin(VDD) {
voltage_name : VDD;
pg_type : primary_power;

```

```

}
pg_pin(VSS) {
    voltage_name : VSS;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
}
pg_pin(VDDBAK) {
    voltage_name : VDDBAK;
    pg_type : backup_power;
}
...
pin (A) {
    always_on : true;
    related_power_pin : VDDBAK;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    /* Other pin level information */
}
pin (B C) {
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    /* Other pin level information */
}
pin (Y1) {
    always_on : true;
    function : "A";
    related_power_pin : VDDBAK;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + !VDDBAK + VSS";
    /* Other pin specific information */
} /* End Pin group */
pin (Y2) {
    function : "A";
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + !VDDBAK + VSS";
    /* Other pin specific information */
} /* End Pin group */
...
} /* End Cell group */
...
} /* End Library group */

```

10.9 Modeling Antenna Diodes

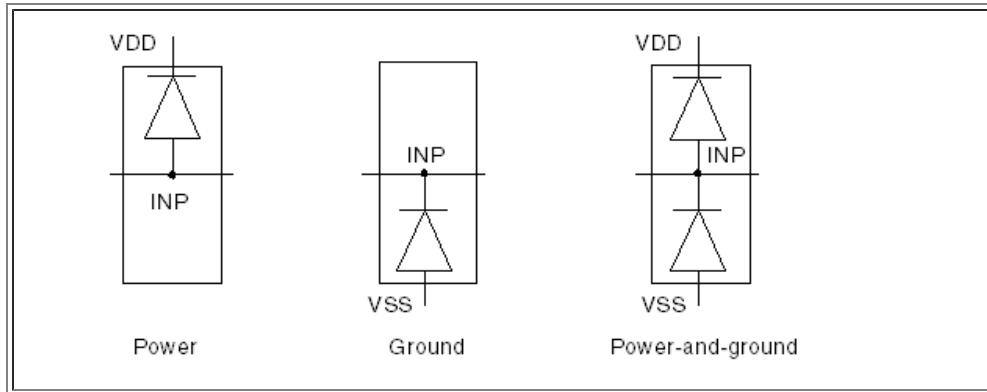
Modeling antenna diodes includes modeling antenna-diode cells and cells with built-in antenna-diode ports.

10.9.1 Antenna-Diode Cell Modeling

An antenna-diode cell has only one input to a diode that discharges electrical charges.

The cell is typically inserted at the boundary between two power domains and can be placed in any one of the power domains. [Figure 10-33](#) shows the three types of antenna-diode cells.

Figure 10-33 Types of Antenna-Diode Cells



In multivoltage designs, the power type antenna-diode cell is connected to VDD of a power domain where VSS is shut down. The ground type antenna-diode cell is connected to VSS of a power domain where VDD is shut down. The power-and-ground type antenna-diode cell is connected to both VDD and VSS. To eliminate leakage paths that can result in chip failure, the correct type of antenna-diode cell must be inserted.

```
cell (cell name) {
  antenna_diode_type : power | ground | power_and_ground;
  pin (pin name) {
    antenna_diode_related_power_pins : power pin name;
    antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : ground pin name;
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

In a library, a cell that has a single pin with the `direction` attribute set to `input` or `inout` is considered to be an antenna-diode cell.

Cell-Level Attribute

antenna_diode_type Attribute

The `antenna_diode_type` attribute specifies the type of antenna-diode cell. Valid values are `power`, `ground`, and `power_and_ground`.

Pin-Level Attributes

antenna_diode_related_power_pins Attribute

The `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute specifies the related power pin of the antenna-diode cell. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute to the input pin of the cell.

antenna_diode_related_ground_pins Attribute

The `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute specifies the related ground pin of the antenna-diode cell. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute to the input pin of the cell.

Antenna-Diode Cell Modeling Example

[Example 10-17](#) shows a typical model of the antenna-diode cell.

Example 10-17 Antenna-Diode Cell Model

```
library (antenna_library)
...
cell (power_diode_cell) {
  antenna_diode_type : "power";
  pg_pin (VDD) {
    voltage_name : "VDD";
    pg_type : "primary_power";
  }
  pin (INP) {
    antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "VDD";
    direction : "input";
  }
}
cell (ground_diode_cell) {
  antenna_diode_type : "ground";
  pg_pin (VSS) {
    voltage_name : "VSS";
    pg_type : "primary_ground";
  }
  pin (INP) {
    antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "VSS";
    direction : "input";
  }
}
cell (pg_diode_cell) {
  antenna_diode_type : "power_and_ground";
  pg_pin (VDD) {
    voltage_name : "VDD";
    pg_type : "primary_power";
  }

  pg_pin (VSS) {
    voltage_name : "VSS";
    pg_type : "primary_ground";
  }
  pin (INP) {
    antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "VDD";
    antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "VSS";
  }
}
```



```

        direction : "input";
    }
}
}

```

10.9.2 Modeling Cells With Built-In Antenna-Diode Ports

To model a cell with a built-in antenna-diode pin, specify the `antenna_diode_type` attribute on the pin.

```

cell (cell name) {
    ...
    pin (pin name) {
        antenna_diode_type : power | ground |
power_and_ground;
        antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "power_pin1
power_pin2";
        antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "ground_pin1
ground_pin2";
        ...
    }

    pin (pin name) {
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

Pin-Level Attributes

antenna_diode_type Attribute

The `antenna_diode_type` attribute specifies the type of antenna-diode pin. Valid values are `power`, `ground`, and `power_and_ground`.

antenna_diode_related_power_pins Attribute

The `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute specifies the related power pins for the antenna-diode pin. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute to the antenna-diode pin.

antenna_diode_related_ground_pins Attribute

The `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute specifies the related ground pins for the antenna-diode pin. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute to the antenna-diode pin.

Antenna-Diode Pin Modeling Example

[Example 10-18](#) shows a typical model of a cell with a built-in antenna-diode pin.

Example 10-18 A Cell Model With Built-In power_and_ground Antenna-Diode Pin Port

```
cell (cell_with_internal_diode_port)
  area : "1.0";
  pg_pin (VDD) {
    voltage_name : "VDD";
    pg_type : "primary_power";
  }
  pg_pin (VDD1) {
    voltage_name : "VDD1";
    pg_type : "primary_power";
  }
  pg_pin (VSS) {
    voltage_name : "VSS";
    pg_type : "primary_ground";
  }
  pg_pin (VSS1) {
    voltage_name : "VSS1";
    pg_type : "primary_ground";
  }
  pin (antenna_diode) {
    antenna_diode_type: power_and_ground;
    antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "VDD VDD1";
    antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "VSS VSS1";
    direction : "input";
    capacitance : "1.0";
  }
  pin (INP1) {
    direction : "input";
    capacitance : "1.0";
  }
  pin (INP2) {
    direction : "input";
    capacitance : "1.0";
  }
  pin (OUT1) {
    related_power_pin : "VDD";
    related_ground_pin : "VSS";
    direction : "output";
  }
  pin (OUT2) {
    related_power_pin : "VDD";
    related_ground_pin : "VSS";
    direction : "output";
  }
}
```

11. Timing Arcs

Timing arcs are divided into two major areas: timing delays (the actual circuit timing) and timing constraints (at the boundaries). This chapter explains the timing concepts and describes the `timing` group attributes for setting constraints and defining delay with the different delay models.

The following sections describe how to specify timing delays:

- [Understanding Timing Arcs](#)
- [Modeling Method Alternatives](#)
- [Describing Three-State Timing Arcs](#)
- [Describing Edge-Sensitive Timing Arcs](#)
- [Describing Clock Insertion Delay](#)
- [Describing Intrinsic Delay](#)
- [Describing Transition Delay](#)
- [Modeling Load Dependency](#)
- [Describing Slope Sensitivity](#)
- [Describing State-Dependent Delays](#)

The following sections describe how to use timing constraints:

- [Setting Setup and Hold Constraints](#)
- [Setting Nonsequential Timing Constraints](#)
- [Setting Recovery and Removal Timing Constraints](#)
- [Setting No-Change Timing Constraints](#)
- [Setting Skew Constraints](#)
- [Setting Conditional Timing Constraints](#)

For additional information, see these sections:

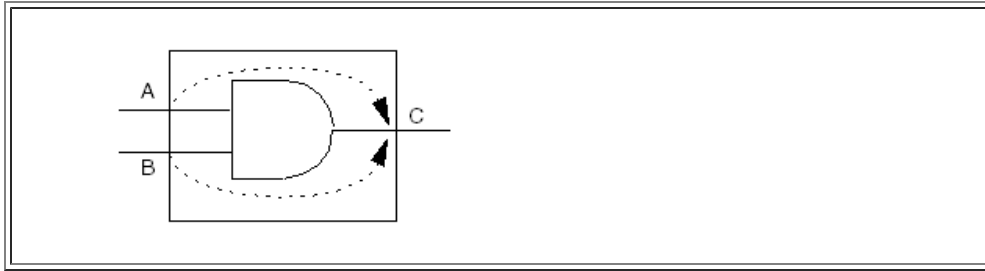
- [Timing Arc Restrictions](#)
- [Examples of Libraries Using Delay Models](#)
- [Describing a Transparent Latch Clock Model](#)
- [Driver Waveform Support](#)
- [Sensitization Support](#)
- [Phase-Locked Loop Support](#)

11.1 Understanding Timing Arcs

Timing arcs, along with netlist interconnect information, are the paths followed by the path tracer during path analysis. Each timing arc has a startpoint and an endpoint. The startpoint can be an input, output, or I/O pin. The endpoint is always an output pin or an I/O pin. The only exception is a constraint timing arc, such as a setup or hold constraint between two input pins.

[Figure 11-1](#) shows timing arcs AC and BC for an AND gate. All delay information in a library refers to an input-to-output pin pair or an output-to-output pin pair.

Figure 11-1 Timing Arcs



11.1.1 Combinational Timing Arcs

A combinational timing arc describes the timing characteristics of a combinational element. The timing arc is attached to an output pin, and the related pin is either an input or an output.

A combinational timing arc is of one of the following types:

- combinational
- combinational_rise
- combinational_fall
- three_state_disable
- three_state_disable_rise
- three_state_disable_fall
- three_state_enable
- three_state_enable_rise
- three_state_enable_fall

For information about describing combinational timing types, see [“timing Group Attributes”](#).

11.1.2 Sequential Timing Arcs

Sequential timing arcs describe the timing characteristics of sequential elements. In descriptions of the relationship between a clock transition and data output (input to output), the timing arc is considered a *delay* arc. In descriptions of the relationship between a clock transition and data input (input to input), the timing arc is considered a *constraint* arc.

A sequential timing arc is of one of the following types:

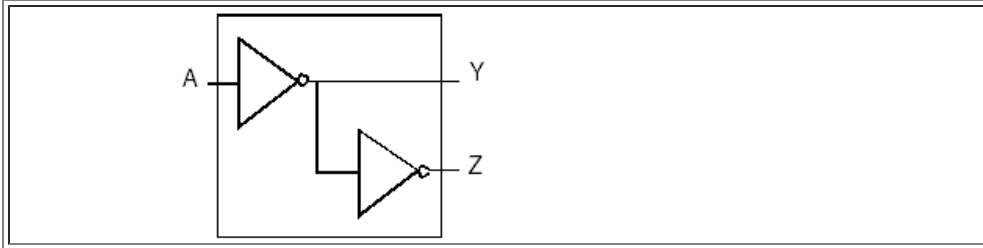
- Edge-sensitive (rising_edge or falling_edge)
- Preset or clear
- Setup or hold (setup_rising, setup_falling, hold_rising, or hold_falling)
- Nonsequential setup or hold (non_seq_setup_rising, non_seq_setup_falling, non_seq_hold_rising, non_seq_hold_falling)
- Recovery or removal (recovery_rising, recovery_falling, removal_rising, or removal_falling)
- No change (nochange_high_high, nochange_high_low, nochange_low_high, nochange_low_low)

For information about describing sequential timing types, see [“timing Group Attributes”](#).

11.2 Modeling Method Alternatives

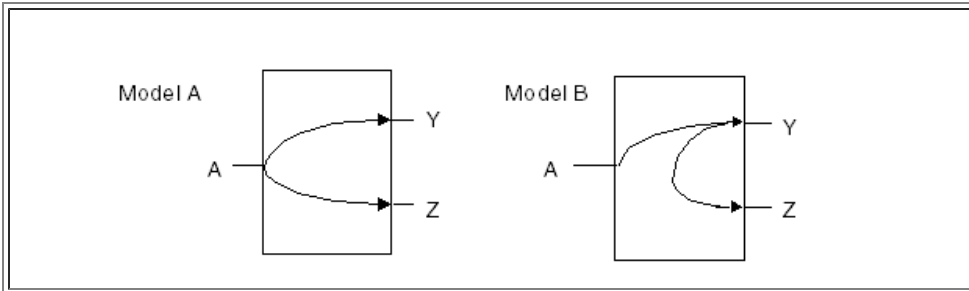
Timing information for combinational cells such as the one in [Figure 11-2](#) can be modeled in one of two ways, as [Figure 11-3](#) shows.

Figure 11-2 Two-Inverter Cell



In [Figure 11-3](#), Model A defines two timing arcs. The first timing arc starts at primary input pin A and ends at primary output pin Y. The second timing arc starts at primary input pin A and ends at primary output pin Z. This is the simple case.

Figure 11-3 Two Modeling Techniques for Two-Inverter Cell



Model B for this cell also has two arcs but is more accurate than Model A. The first arc starts at pin A and ends at pin Y. This arc is modeled like the AY arc in Model A. The second arc is different; it starts with primary output Y and ends with primary output Z, modeling the effect the load on Y has on the delay on Z. Output-to-output timing arcs can be used in either combinational or sequential cells.

11.3 Defining the timing Group

The `timing` group defines the timing arcs through a cell and the relationships between clock and data input signals.

The `timing` group describes

- Timing relationships between an input pin and an output pin
- Timing relationships between two output pins
- Timing arcs through a noncombinational element
- Setup and hold times on flip-flop or latch input
- Optionally, the names of the timing arcs

The `timing` group describes setup and hold information when the constraint information refers to an input-to-input pin pair.

The `timing` group is defined in the `pin` group. This is the syntax:

```
library (lib_name) {
    cell (cell_name) {
        pin (pin_name) {
            timing () {
                ... timing description ...
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Define the `timing` group in the `pin` group of the endpoint of the timing arc, as illustrated by pin C in [Figure 11-1](#).

11.3.1 Naming Timing Arcs Using the timing Group

Within the `timing` group, you can identify the name or names of different timing arcs.

A single timing arc can occur between an identified pin and a single related pin identified with the `related_pin` attribute.

Multiple timing arcs can occur in many ways. The following list shows six possible multiple timing arcs. The following descriptive sections explain how you configure other possible multiple timing arcs:

- Between a single related pin and the identified multiple members of a bundle.
- Between multiple related pins and the identified multiple members of a bundle.
- Between a single related pin and the identified multiple bits on a bus.
- Between multiple related pins and the identified multiple bits of a bus.
- Between the identified multiple bits of a bus and the multiple pins of related bus pins (of a designated width) identified with the `related_bus_pins` attribute.
- Between all the bits of a related-bus-equivalent group identified with the `related_bus_equivalent` attribute and an internal pin, and between the internal pin and all the bits of the endpoint `bus` group.

The following sections provide descriptions and examples for various timing arcs.

Timing Arc Between a Single Pin and a Single Related Pin

Identify the timing arc that occurs between a single pin and a single related pin by entering a name in the `timing` group, as shown in the following example:

Example

```
cell (my_inverter) {
    ...
    pin (A) {
```

```

        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;
    }
    pin (B) {
        direction : output
        function : "A'";
        timing (A_B) }
        related_pin : "A";
        ...
    }/* end timing() */
}/* end pin B */
}/* end cell */

```

The timing arc is as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
A	B	A_B

Timing Arcs Between a Pin and Multiple Related Pins

This section describes how to identify the timing arcs when a `timing` group is within a `pin` group and the timing arc has more than a single related pin. You identify the multiple timing arcs on a name list entered with the `timing` group as shown in the following example.

Example

```

cell (my_and) {
    ...
    pin (A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1;

    }
    pin (B) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 2;
    }
    pin (C) {
        direction : output
        function : "A B";
        timing (A_C, B_C) {
            related_pin : "A B";
            ...
        }/* end timing() */
    }/* end pin B */
}

```

```
}/* end cell */
```

The timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
A	C	A_C
B	C	B_C

Timing Arcs Between a Bundle and a Single Related Pin

When the `timing` group is within a `bundle` group that has several members with a single related pin, enter the names of the resulting multiple timing arcs in a name list in the `timing` group.

Example

```
...
bundle (Q){
  members (Q0, Q1, Q2, Q3);
  direction : output;
  function : "IQ";
  timing (G_Q0, G_Q1, G_Q2, G_Q3){
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 0.99;
    intrinsic_fall : 0.96;
    rise_resistance : 0.1458;
    fall_resistance : 0.0653;
    related_pin : "G";
  }
}
```

If `G` is a pin, as opposed to another `bundle` group, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G	Q0	G_Q0
G	Q1	G_Q1
G	Q2	G_Q2
G	Q3	G_Q3

If `G` is another bundle of member size 4 and `G0`, `G1`, `G2`, and `G3` are members of bundle `G`, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G0	Q0	G_Q0
G1	Q1	G_Q1
From pin	To pin	Label
G2	Q2	G_Q2
G3	Q3	G_Q3

Timing Arcs Between a Bundle and Multiple Related Pins

When the `timing` group is within a `bundle` group that has several members, each having a corresponding related pin, enter the names of the resulting multiple timing arcs as a name list in the `timing` group.

Example

```

bundle (Q){
    members (Q0, Q1, Q2, Q3);
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ";
    timing (G_Q0, H_Q0, G_Q1, H_Q1, G_Q2, H_Q2, G_Q3,
H_Q3){
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.99;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.96;
        rise_resistance : 0.1458;
        fall_resistance : 0.0653;
        related_pin : "G H";
    }
}

```

If G is a pin, as opposed to another `bundle` group, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G	Q0	G_Q0
H	Q0	H_Q0
G	Q1	G_Q1
H	Q1	H_Q1
G	Q2	G_Q2
H	Q2	H_Q2

From pin	To pin	Label
G	Q3	G_Q3
H	Q3	H_Q3

If G was another bundle of member size 4 and G0, G1, G2, and G3 are members of bundle G, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
G0	Q0	G_Q0
H	Q0	H_Q0
G1	Q1	G_Q1
H	Q1	H_Q1
G2	Q2	G_Q2
H	Q2	H_Q2
G3	Q3	G_Q3
H	Q3	H_Q3

The same rule applies if H is a size-4 bundle.

Timing Arcs Between a Bus and a Single Related Pin

This section describes how to identify the timing arcs created when a `timing` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits with the same single related pin. You identify the resulting multiple timing arcs by entering a name list with the `timing` group.

Example

```

...
bus (X){
  /*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B";
    timing (B_X0, B_X1, B_X2, B_X3){
      related_pin : "B";
    }
  }
}

```

If B is a pin, as opposed to another 4-bit bus, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B	X[0]	B_X0
B	X[1]	B_X1
B	X[2]	B_X2
B	X[3]	B_X3

If B is another 4-bit bus and B[0] is the MSB for bus B, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B_X0
B[1]	X[1]	B_X1
B[2]	X[2]	B_X2
B[3]	X[3]	B_X3

Timing Arcs Between a Bus and Multiple Related Pins

This section describes the timing arcs created when a `timing` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits, where each bit has its own related pin. You identify the resulting multiple timing arcs by entering a name list with the `timing` group.

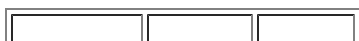
Example

```

bus (X){
  /*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B'";
    timing (B_X0, C_X0, B_X1, C_X1, B_X2, C_X2, B_X3,C_X3
  ){
    related_pin : "B C";
  }
}
}

```

If B and C are pins, as opposed to another 4-bit bus, the timing arcs are as follows:



From pin	To pin	Label
B	X[0]	B_X0
C	X[0]	C_X0
B	X[1]	B_X1
C	X[1]	C_X1
B	X[2]	B_X2
C	X[2]	C_X2
B	X[3]	B_X3
C	X[3]	C_X3

If B is another 4-bit bus and B[0] is the MSB for bus B, the timing arcs are as follows:

From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B_X0
C	X[0]	C_X0
B[1]	X[1]	B_X1
C	X[1]	C_X1
B[2]	X[2]	B_X2
From pin	To pin	Label
C	X[2]	C_X2
B[3]	X[3]	B_X3
C	X[3]	C_X3

The same rule applies if C is a 4-bit bus.

Timing Arcs Between a Bus and Related Bus Pins

This section describes the timing arcs created when a `timing` group is within a `bus` group that has several bits that have to be matched with several related bus pins of a required width.

You identify the resulting multiple timing arcs by entering a name list with the `timing` group.

Example

```

...
/* assuming related_bus_pins is width of 2 bits */
bus (X){
/*assuming MSB is X[0] */
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  pin (X[0:3]){
    function : "B'";
    timing (B0_X0, B0_X1, B0_X2, B0_X3, B1_X0, B1_X1, B1_X2, B1_X3
  ){
    related_bus_pins : "B";
  }
}
}
}

```

If B is another 2-bit bus and B[0] is its MSB, the timing arcs are as follows:

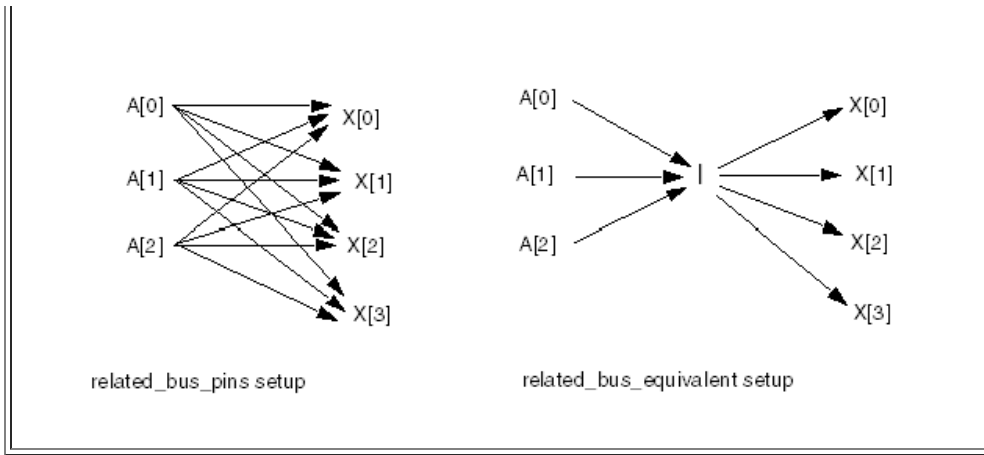
From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[0]	B0_X0
B[0]	X[1]	B0_X1
B[0]	X[2]	B0_X2
From pin	To pin	Label
B[0]	X[3]	B0_X3
B[1]	X[0]	B1_X0
B[1]	X[1]	B1_X1
B[1]	X[2]	B1_X2
B[1]	X[3]	B1_X3

Timing Arcs Between a Bus and a Related Bus Equivalent

You can generate an arc from each element in a starting bus to each element of an ending bus, such as when you create arcs from each related bus pin defined with the `related_bus_pins` attribute to each endpoint.

Instead of using this approach, you can use the `related_bus_equivalent` attribute to generate a single timing arc for all paths from points in a group through an internal pin (I) to given endpoints. [Figure 11-4](#) compares the setup created with the `related_bus_pins` attribute with a setup created with the `related_bus_equivalent` attribute.

Figure 11-4 Comparing related_bus_pins Setup With related_bus_equivalent Setup



This section describes the timing arcs created from all the bits of a related bus equivalent group, which you define with the `related_bus_equivalent` attribute, to an internal pin (I) and all the timing arcs created from the same internal pin to all the bits of the endpoint bus group.

You identify the resulting multiple timing arcs by entering a name list, using the `timing` group.

It is assumed that the first name in the name list is the arc going from the first bit (A[0]) of the related bus group to the internal pin (I), the second name in the name list is the arc going from the second bit (A[1]) to the internal pin (I), and so on in order until all the related bus group bits are used.

The next name on the name list is of the timing arc going from the internal pin (I) to the first bit (X[0]) in the endpoint bus group, the following name in the name list is of the arc going from the internal join pin (I) to the second bit (X[1]) of the bus group, and so on in order until all the bits in the bus group are used. See the following example.

Note:

The widths of bus A and bus X do not need to be identical.

Example

```
bus (X){...
  bus_type : bus4;
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 1;
  timing (A0_I, A1_I, A2_I, I_X0,I_X1, I_X2, I_X3,)
  {...
    related_bus_equivalent : A;
  }...
}
```

The following is a list of the timing arcs and their labels:

From pin	To pin	Label
----------	--------	-------

A[0]	I	A0_I
A[1]	I	A1_I
A[2]	I	A2_I
I	X[0]	I_X0
I	X[1]	I_X1
I	X[2]	I_X2
I	X[3]	I_X3

11.3.2 Delay Models

The `timing` groups are defined by the `timing` group attributes. The delay model you use determines which set of delay calculation attributes you specify in a `timing` group.

The following delay models are supported:

CMOS generic delay model

This is the standard delay model.

CMOS nonlinear delay model

The nonlinear delay model is characterized by tables that define the timing arcs. To describe delay or constraint arcs with this model,

- Use the library-level `lu_table_template` group to define templates of common information to use in lookup tables.
- Use the templates and the timing groups described in this chapter to create lookup tables.

Lookup tables and their corresponding templates can be one-dimensional, two-dimensional, or three-dimensional. Delay arcs allow a maximum of two dimensions. Device degradation constraint tables allow only one dimension. Load-dependent constraint modeling requires three dimensions.

CMOS piecewise linear delay model

The equations this model uses to calculate timing delays consider the delay effect of different wire lengths.

Scalable polynomial delay model

The scalable polynomial delay model is characterized by scalable polynomial equations that define the timing arcs. To describe delay and constraint arcs with this model,

- Use the `poly_template` group to set up a template of common polynomials to use in the `timing` group.
- Use the templates and the `timing` groups described in this chapter to specify equations.

Multiterm and multiorder equations can specify up to variable *n* variables.

delay_model Attribute

To specify the CMOS delay model, use the `delay_model` attribute in the `library` group.

The `delay_model` attribute must be the first attribute in the library if a `technology` attribute is not present. Otherwise, it should follow the `technology` attribute.

Syntax

```
delay_model : value_enum ;
```

value

Valid values are `generic_cmos`, `table_lookup` (nonlinear delay model), `piecewise_cmos`, `dcm` (delay calculation module), and `polynomial` (scalable polynomial delay model).

Example

```
library (demo) {  
    delay_model : table_lookup ;  
}
```

Defining the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model Template

Table templates store common table information that multiple lookup tables can use. A table template specifies the table parameters and the breakpoints for each axis. Assign each template a name so that lookup tables can refer to it.

lu_table_template Group

Define your lookup table templates in the library group.

Syntax

```
lu_table_template(name) {  
    variable_1 : value;  
    variable_2 : value;  
    variable_3 : value;  
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
    index_2 ("float, ..., float");  
    index_3 ("float, ..., float");  
}
```

Template Variables for Timing Delays

The table template specifying timing delays can have up to three variables (`variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`). The variables indicate the parameters used to index into the lookup table along the first, second, and third table axes. The parameters are the input transition time of a constrained pin, the output net length and capacitance, and the output loading of a related pin.

The following is a list of the valid values (divided into sets) that you can assign to a table:

- Set 1:
`input_net_transition`
- Set 2:
`total_output_net_capacitance` `output_net_length`
`output_net_wire_cap` `output_net_pin_cap`
- Set 3:
`related_out_total_output_net_capacitance`
`related_out_output_net_length`
`related_out_output_net_wire_cap`
`related_out_output_net_pin_cap`

The values you can assign to the variables of a table specifying timing delay depend on whether the table is one-, two-, or three-dimensional.

For every table, the value you assign to a variable must be from a set different from the set from which you assign a value to the other variables. For example, if you want a two-dimensional table and you assign `variable_1` with the `input_net_transition` value from set 1, then you must assign `variable_2` with one of the values from set 2. [Table 11-1](#) lists the combinations of values you can assign to the different variables for the varying dimensional tables specifying timing delays.

Table 11-1 Variable Values for Timing Delays

Template dimension	Variable_1	Variable_2	Variable_3
1	set1		
1	set2		
2	set1	set2	
2	set2	set1	
3	set1	set2	set3
3	set1	set3	set2
3	set2	set1	set3
3	set2	set3	set1
3	set3	set1	set2
3	set3	set2	set1

Template Variables for Load-Dependent Constraints

The table template specifying load-dependent constraints can have up to three variables (`variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`). The variables indicate the parameters used to index into the lookup table along the first, second, and third table axes. The parameters are the input transition time of a constrained pin, the transition time of a related pin, and the output loading of a related pin.

The following is a list of the valid values (divided into sets) that you can assign to a table.

- Set 1:
`constrained_pin_transition`
- Set 2:
`related_pin_transition`
- Set 3:
`related_out_total_output_net_capacitance`
`related_out_output_net_length`
`related_out_output_net_wire_cap`
`related_out_output_net_pin_cap`

The values you can assign to the variables of a table specifying load-dependent constraints depend on whether the table is one-, two-, or three-dimensional.

For every table, the value you assign to a variable must be from a set different from the set from which you assign a value to the other variables. For example, if you want a two-dimensional table and you assign `variable_1` with the `constrained_pin_transition` value from set 1, then you must assign `variable_2` with one of the values from set 2.

[Table 11-2](#) lists the combination of values you can assign to the different variables for the varying dimensional tables specifying load-dependent constraints.

Table 11-2 Variable Values for Load-Dependent Constraint Tables

Template dimension	Variable_1	Variable_2	Variable_3
1	set1		
1	set2		
2	set1	set2	
2	set2	set1	
3	set1	set2	set3
3	set1	set3	set2
3	set2	set1	set3
3	set2	set3	set1

3	set3	set1	set2
3	set3	set2	set1

Template Breakpoints

The index statements define the breakpoints for an axis. The breakpoints defined by `index_1` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_1`. The breakpoints defined by `index_2` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_2`. The breakpoints defined by `index_3` correspond to the parameter values indicated by `variable_3`.

The index values are lists of floating-point numbers greater than or equal to 0.0. The values in the list must be in increasing order. The size of each dimension is determined by the number of floating-point numbers in the indexes.

You must define at least one `index_1` in the `lu_table_template` group. For a one-dimensional table, use only `variable_1`.

Creating Lookup Tables

The rules for specifying lookup tables apply to delay arcs as well as to constraints. [“Defining Delay Arcs With Lookup Tables”](#) shows the groups to use as delay lookup tables. See the sections on the various constraints for the groups to use as constraint lookup tables.

This is the syntax for lookup table groups:

```
lu_table(name) {
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");
    index_2 ("float, ..., float");
    index_3 ("float, ..., float");
    values("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float");
}
```

These rules apply to lookup table groups:

- Each lookup table has an associated name for the `lu_table_template` it uses. The name of the template must be identical to the name defined in a library `lu_table_template` group.
- You can overwrite any or all of the indexes in a lookup table template, but the overwrite must occur before the actual definition of values.
- The delay value of the table is stored in a `values` attribute.
 - Transition table delay values must be 0.0 or greater. Propagation tables and cell tables can contain negative delay values.
 - In a one-dimensional table, represent the delay value as a list of `nindex_1` floating-point numbers.
 - In a two-dimensional table, represent the delay value as `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers.
 - If a table contains only one value, you can use the predefined scalar table

template as the template for that timing arc. To use the scalar table template, place the string scalar in your lookup table group statement, as shown in [Example 11-](#).

- Each group of floating-point values enclosed in quotation marks represents a row in the table.
 - In a one-dimensional table, the number of floating-point values in the group must equal `nindex_1`.
 - In a two-dimensional table, the number of floating-point values in a group must equal `nindex_2` and the number of groups must equal `nindex_1`.
 - In a three-dimensional table, the total number of groups is `nindex_1 x nindex_2` and each group contains as many floating-point numbers as `nindex_3`. In a three-dimensional table, the first group represents the value indexed by the (1, 1, 1) to the (1, 1, `nindex_3`) points in the index. The first `nindex_2` groups represent the value indexed by the (1, 1, 1) to the (1, `nindex_2`, `nindex_3`) points in the index. The rest of the groups are grouped in the same order.

[Example 11-](#) shows a library that uses the CMOS nonlinear delay model to describe the delay.

Defining the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model Template

Polynomial templates store common format information that equations can use.

poly_template Group

You use a `poly_template` group to specify the equation variables, the variable ranges, the voltage mapping, and the piecewise data. Assign each `poly_template` group a unique name, so that equations in the `timing` group can refer to it.

Syntax

```
poly_template(name_id)
{
  variables(variable_i_enum,
  ..., variable_n_enum)
  variable_i_range(float, float)
  ...
  variable_n_range(float, float)
  mapping(voltage_enum, power_rail_id)
  domain(domain_name_id)
  {
    calc_mode : name_id ;

    variables(variable_i_enum)..., variable_n_enum)
    variable_i_range(float, float)
    ...
    variable_n_range(float, float)
    mapping(voltage_enum, power_rail_id)
  }
}
```

poly_template Variables

The `poly_template` group that defines timing delays can have up to n variables (`variable_i`, ..., `variable_n`), which you specify in the `variables` complex attribute. The variables you specify represent the following in the equation:

- The input transition time of a constrained pin
- The output net length and capacitance
- The output loading of a related pin
- The default power supply voltage
- The frequency
- The voltage i for multivoltage cells
- The temperature
- User parameters (`parameter1`...`parameter5`)

The following list shows the valid values, divided into four sets, that you can assign to variables in an equation:

- Set 1:
`input_net_transition constrained_pin_transition`
- Set 2:
`total_output_net_capacitance output_net_length
output_net_wire_cap output_net_pin_cap
related_pin_transition`
- Set 3:
`related_out_total_output_net_capacitance
related_out_output_net_length
related_out_output_net_wire_cap
related_out_output_net_pin_cap`
- Set 4:
`frequency temperature voltage i parameter n`

delay_model Simple Attribute

Use the `delay_model` attribute in the `library` group to specify the scalable polynomial delay model.

```
library (demo) {  
    delay_model : polynomial ;  
}
```

11.3.3 timing Group Attributes

The delay model you use determines which set of attributes for delay model calculation you specify in a `timing` group. [Table 11-3](#) shows the available delay models and the supported `timing` group attributes for each. See [Chapter .“,”](#) for detailed information about the delay models.

Table 11-3 *timing Group Attributes in the Delay Models*

Purpose	CMOS generic	CMOS piecewise linear	CMOS nonlinear/ scalable polynomial
To specify a default timing arc			default_timing
To identify timing arc startpoint	related_pin related_ bus_pins	related_pin related_bus_pins	related_pin related_bus_pins
To describe logical effect of input pin on output pin	timing_sense	timing_sense	timing_sense
To identify an arc as combinational or sequential	timing_type	timing_type	timing_type
To describe intrinsic delay on an output pin	intrinsic_rise intrinsic_fall	intrinsic_rise intrinsic_fall	(<i>inherent</i>)
To specify transition delay. (Used with propagation delay in CMOS nonlinear delay model.)	rise_resistance fall_resistance	rise_pin_resistance rise_delay_intercept fall_pin_resistance fall_delay_intercept	rise_transition fall_transition
To specify propagation delay in total cell delay. (Used with transition delay in CMOS nonlinear delay model.)			rise_propagation fall_propagation
To specify cell delay independent of transition delay			cell_rise cell_fall
To specify retain delay within the delay arc			retaining_rise retaining_fall
To describe incremental delay added to slope of input waveform	slope_rise slope_fall	slope_rise slope_fall	
To specify an output or I/O pin			

for load-dependency model			related_output_pin
To specify when a timing arc is active			mode

related_pin Simple Attribute

The `related_pin` attribute defines the pin or pins that are the startpoint of the timing arc. The primary use of `related_pin` is for multiple signals in ganged-logic timing. This attribute is a required component of all `timing` groups.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name1 [name2 name3 ...
]";
```

In a cell with input pin A and output pin B, define A and its relationship to B in the `related_pin` attribute statement in the `timing` group that describes pin B.

Example

```
pin (B){
  direction : output ;
  function : "A'";
  timing () {
    related_pin : "A" ;
    ...
  }
}
```

You can use the `related_pin` attribute statement as a shortcut for defining two identical timing arcs for a cell. For example, for a 2-input NAND gate with identical delays from both input pins to the output pin, you need to define only one timing arc with two related pins, as shown in the following example.

```
pin (Z) {
  direction : output;
  function : "(A * B)'" ;
  timing () {
    related_pin : "A B" ;
    ... timing information ...
  }
}
```

When you use a bus name in a `related_pin` attribute statement, the bus

members or the range of members is distributed across all members of the parent bus. In the following example, the timing arcs described are from each element in bus A to each element in bus B: A(1) to B(1) and A(2) to B(2).

The width of the bus or range must be the same as the width of the parent bus.

```
bus (A) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    ...
}
bus (B) {
    bus_type : bus2;
    direction : output;
    function : "A'";
    timing () {
        related_pin : "A" ;
        ... timing information ...
    }
}
```

related_bus_pins Simple Attribute

The `related_bus_pins` attribute defines the pin or pins that are the startpoint of the timing arc. The primary use of `related_bus_pins` is for module generators.

Syntax

```
related_bus_pins : " name1 [name2 name3 ...
]";
```

Example

In this example, the timing arcs described are from each element in bus A to each element in bus B: A(1) to B(1), A(1) to B(2), A(1) to B(3), and so on. The widths of bus A and bus B do not need to be identical.

```
bus (A){
    bus_type : bus2;
    ...
}
bus (B){
    bus_type : bus4;
    direction : output ;
    function : "A";
    timing () {
        related_bus_pins : "A" ;
        ... timing information ...
    }
}
```


timing_sense Simple Attribute

The `timing_sense` attribute describes the way an input pin logically affects an output pin.

Syntax

```
timing_sense : positive_unate | negative_unate  
| non_unate ;
```

positive_unate

Combines incoming rise delays with local rise delays and compares incoming fall delays with local fall delays.

negative_unate

Combines incoming rise delays with local fall delays and compares incoming fall delays with local rise delays.

non_unate

Combines local delays with the worst-case incoming delay value. The non-unate timing sense represents a function whose output value change cannot be determined from the direction of the change in the input value.

Example

```
timing () {  
    timing_sense : positive_unate;  
}
```

A function is *unate* if a rising (or falling) change on a positive unate input variable causes the output function variable to rise (or fall) or not change. A rising (or falling) change on a negative unate input variable causes the output function variable to fall (or rise) or not change. For a nonunate variable, further state information is required to determine the effects of a particular state transition.

It is possible that one path is positive unate while another is negative unate. In this case, the first timing arc gets a `positive_unate` designation and the second arc gets a `negative_unate` designation.

Note:

When `timing_sense` describes the transition edge used to calculate delay for the `three_state_enable` or `three_state_disable` pin, it has a meaning different from its traditional one. If a 1 value on the control pin of a three-state cell causes a Z value on the output pin, `timing_sense` is `positive_unate` for the `three_state_disable` timing arc and `negative_unate` for the `three_state_enable` timing arc. If a 0 value on the control pin of a three-state cell causes a Z value on the output pin,

timing_sense is negative_unate for the three_state_disable timing arc and positive_unate for the three_state_enable timing arc.

If a related_pin is an output pin, you must define timing_sense for that pin.

timing_type Simple Attribute

The timing_type attribute distinguishes between combinational and sequential cells, by defining the type of timing arc. If this attribute is not assigned, the cell is considered combinational.

Syntax

```
timing_type : combinational | combinational_rise
|
  combinational_fall | three_state_disable |
  three_state_disable_rise | three_state_disable_fall |
  three_state_enable | three_state_enable_rise |
  three_state_enable_fall | rising_edge | falling_edge |
  preset | clear | hold_rising | hold_falling |
  setup_rising | setup_falling | recovery_rising |
  recovery_falling | skew_rising | skew_falling |
  removal_rising | removal_falling | min_pulse_width |
  minimum_period | max_clock_tree_path |
  min_clock_tree_path | non_seq_setup_rising |
  non_seq_setup_falling | non_seq_hold_rising |
  non_seq_hold_falling | nochange_high_high |
  nochange_high_low | nochange_low_high |
  nochange_low_low ;
```

The following sections show the timing_type attribute values for the following types of timing arcs:

- Combinational
- Sequential
- Nonsequential
- No-change

Values for Combinational Timing Arcs

The timing type and timing sense define the signal propagation pattern. The default timing type is combinational.

Timing type		Timing sense	
positive_unate	negative_unate	non_unate	
combinational	R->R,F->F	R->F,F->R	{R,F}->{R,F}
combinational_rise	R->R	F->R	{R,F}->R
combinational_fall	F->F	R->F	{R,F}->F

three_state_disable	R->{0Z,1Z}	F->{0Z,1Z}	{R,F}->{0Z,1Z}
three_state_enable	R->{Z0,Z1}	F->{Z0,Z1}	{R,F}->{Z0,Z1}
three_state_disable_rise	R->0Z	F->0Z	{R,F}->0Z
three_state_disable_fall	R->1Z	F->1Z	{R,F}->1Z
three_state_enable_rise	R->Z1	F->Z1	{R,F}->Z1
three_state_enable_fall	R->Z0	F->Z0	{R,F}->Z0

Values for Sequential Timing Arcs

You use sequential timing arcs to model the timing requirements for sequential cells.

rising_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a rising signal at the input pin.

falling_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a falling signal at the input pin.

preset

Preset arcs affect only the rise arrival time of the arc's endpoint pin. A preset arc implies that you are asserting a logic 1 on the output pin when the designated related pin is asserted.

clear

Clear arcs affect only the fall arrival time of the arc's endpoint pin. A clear arc implies that you are asserting a logic 0 on the output pin when the designated related pin is asserted.

hold_rising

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the hold check.

hold_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the hold check.

setup_rising

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the setup check on clocked elements.

setup_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the setup check on clocked elements.

recovery_rising

Uses the rising edge of the related pin for the recovery time check. The clock is rising-edge-triggered.

recovery_falling

Uses the falling edge of the related pin for the recovery time check. The clock is falling-edge-triggered.

skew_rising

The timing constraint interval is measured from the rising edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin in the `timing` group. The `intrinsic_rise` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin rising and the parent pin rising. The `intrinsic_fall` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin falling and the parent pin falling.

skew_falling

The timing constraint interval is measured from the falling edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin in the `timing` group. The `intrinsic_rise` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin falling and the parent pin rising. The `intrinsic_fall` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin falling and the parent pin falling.

removal_rising

Used when the cell is a low-enable latch or a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop. For active-low asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_rise` attribute. For active-high asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_fall` attribute.

removal_falling

Used when the cell is a high-enable latch or a falling-edge-triggered flip-flop. For active-low asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_rise` attribute. For active-high asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_fall` attribute.

min_pulse_width

This value, together with the `minimum_period` value, lets you specify the minimum pulse width for a clock pin. The timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin should be the same. You can also include rise and fall constraints, as with other timing checks.

Besides scalar values, table-based minimum pulse width is supported. For an example, see “A Library With timing_type Statements” ([Example 11-11](#)).

minimum_period

This value, together with the `min_pulse_width` value, lets you specify the minimum pulse width for a clock pin. The timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin should be the same. You can also include rise and fall constraints as with other timing checks.

max_clock_tree_path

Used in `timing` groups under a clock pin. Defines the maximum clock tree path constraint.

min_clock_tree_path

Used in `timing` groups under a clock pin. Defines the minimum clock tree path constraint.

Values for Nonsequential Timing Arcs

In some nonsequential cells, the setup and hold timing constraints are specified on the data pin with a nonclock pin as the related pin. The signal of a pin must be stable for a specified period of time before and after another pin of the same cell range state for the cell to function as expected.

non_seq_setup_rising

Defines (with `non_seq_setup_falling`) the timing arcs used for setup checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

non_seq_setup_falling

Defines (with `non_seq_setup_rising`) the timing arcs used for setup checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

non_seq_hold_rising

Defines (with `non_seq_hold_falling`) the timing arcs used for hold checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

non_seq_hold_falling

Defines (with `non_seq_hold_rising`) the timing arcs used for hold checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

Values for No-Change Timing Arcs

You use no-change timing arcs to model the timing requirement for latch

devices with latch-enable signals. The four no-change timing types define the pulse waveforms of both the constrained signal and the related signal in standard CMOS and nonlinear CMOS delay models. The information is used in static timing verification during synthesis.

nochange_high_high

Indicates a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

nochange_high_low

Indicates a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

nochange_low_high

Indicates a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

nochange_low_low

Indicates a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

mode Complex Attribute

You define the `mode` attribute within a `timing` group. A `mode` attribute pertains to an individual timing arc. The timing arc is active when `mode` is instantiated with a name and a value. You can specify multiple instances of the `mode` attribute, but only one instance for each timing arc.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value);
```

Example

```
timing() {  
    mode(rw, read);  
}
```

[Example 11-1](#) shows a `mode` instance description.

Example 11-1 A mode Instance Description

```
pin(my_outpin) {  
    direction : output;  
    timing() {  
        related_pin : b;  
        timing_sense : non_unate;  
        mode(rw, read);  
        cell_rise(delay3x3) {
```

```

        values("1.1, 1.2, 1.3", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0", "2.5, 3.5,
4.5");
    }
    rise_transition(delay3x3) {
        values("1.0, 1.1, 1.2", "1.5, 1.8, 2.0", "2.5, 3.0,
3.5");
    }
    cell_fall(delay3x3) {
        values("1.1, 1.2, 1.3", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0", "2.5, 3.5,
4.5");
    }
    fall_transition(delay3x3) {
        values("1.0, 1.1, 1.2", "1.5, 1.8, 2.0", "2.5, 3.0,
3.5");
    }
}
}
}
}

```

[Example 11-2](#) shows multiple mode descriptions.

Example 11-2 Multiple mode Descriptions

```

library (MODE_EXAMPLE) {
    delay_model          : "table_lookup";
    time_unit            : "1ns";
    voltage_unit         : "1V";
    current_unit         : "1mA";
    pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
    leakage_power_unit   : "1nW" ;
    capacitive_load_unit (1, pf);
    nom_process          : 1.0;
    nom_voltage          : 1.0;
    nom_temperature      : 125.0;
    slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 10 ;
    slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 90 ;
    input_threshold_pct_fall      : 50 ;
    output_threshold_pct_fall     : 50 ;
    input_threshold_pct_rise      : 50 ;
    output_threshold_pct_rise     : 50 ;
    slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 10 ;
    slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 90 ;
    slew_derate_from_library     : 1.0 ;
    cell (mode_example) {
        mode_definition(RAM_MODE) {
            mode_value(MODE_1) {
            }
            mode_value(MODE_2) {
            }
            mode_value(MODE_3) {
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
    mode_value(MODE_4) {
    }
}
interface_timing : true;
dont_use         : true;
dont_touch       : true;
pin(Q) {
    direction          : output;
    max_capacitance    : 2.0;
    three_state        : "!OE";
    timing() {
        related_pin    : "CK";
        timing_sense    : non_unate
        timing_type     : rising_edge
        mode(RAM_MODE, "MODE_1 MODE_2");
        cell_rise(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        cell_fall(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        rise_transition(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_transition(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
}
timing() {
    related_pin        : "OE";
    timing_sense        : positive_unate
    timing_type         : three_state_enable
    mode(RAM_MODE, " MODE_2 MODE_3");
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}
timing() {
    related_pin        : "OE";
    timing_sense        : negative_unate

```



```

        timing_type      : three_state_disable
mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_3);
cell_rise(scalar) {
    values( " 0.0 ");
}
cell_fall(scalar) {
    values( " 0.0 ");
}
rise_transition(scalar) {
    values( " 0.0 ");
}
fall_transition(scalar) {
    values( " 0.0 ");
}
}
}
pin(A) {
    direction          : input;
    capacitance        : 1.0;
    max_transition     : 2.0;
    timing() {
        timing_type      : setup_rising;
        related_pin      : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_2);
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type      : hold_rising;
        related_pin      : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_2);
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
}
pin(OE) {
    direction          : input;
    capacitance        : 1.0;
    max_transition     : 2.0;
}
pin(CS) {
    direction          : input;

```

```

capacitance          : 1.0;
max_transition       : 2.0;
timing() {
    timing_type       : setup_rising;
    related_pin       : "CK";
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_1);
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}
timing() {
    timing_type       : hold_rising;
    related_pin       : "CK";
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_1);
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}
}
pin(CK) {
    timing() {
        timing_type : "min_pulse_width";
        related_pin : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE , MODE_4);
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : "minimum_period";
        related_pin : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE , MODE_4);
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
}
clock                : true;
direction             : input;

```

```

        capacitance          : 1.0;
        max_transition       : 1.0;
    }
    cell_leakage_power : 0.0;
}
}

```

11.4 Describing Three-State Timing Arcs

Three-state arcs describe a three-state output pin in a cell.

11.4.1 Describing Three-State-Disable Timing Arcs

To designate a three-state-disable timing arc when defining a three-state pin,

1. Assign `related_pin` to the enable pin of the three-state function.
2. Define the 0-to-Z propagation time with the `intrinsic_rise` statement.
3. Define the 1-to-Z propagation time with the `intrinsic_fall` statement.
4. Include the `timing_type : three_state_disable` statement.

Example

```

timing () {
    related_pin : "OE" ;
    timing_type : three_state_disable ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0 ; /* 0 to Z time */
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0 ; /* 1 to Z time */
}

```

Note:

The `timing_sense` attribute, which describes the transition edge used to calculate delay for a timing arc, has a nontraditional meaning when it is included in a timing group that also contains a `three_state_disable` attribute. See [“timing_sense Simple Attribute”](#) for more information.

11.4.2 Describing Three-State-Enable Timing Arcs

To designate a three-state-enable timing arc when defining a three-state pin,

1. Assign `related_pin` to the enable pin of the three-state function.
2. Define the Z-to-1 propagation time with the `intrinsic_rise` statement.
3. Define the Z-to-0 propagation time with the `intrinsic_fall` statement.
4. Include the `timing_type : three_state_enable` statement.

Example

```

timing () {

```

```

    related_pin : "OE" ;
    timing_type : three_state_enable ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.0 ; /* Z-to-1 time */
    intrinsic_fall : 1.0 ; /* Z-to-0 time */
}

```

Note:

The `timing_sense` attribute that describes the transition edge used to calculate delay for a timing arc has a nontraditional meaning when it is included in a `timing` group that also contains a `three_state_enable` attribute. See [“timing_sense Simple Attribute”](#) for more information.

11.5 Describing Edge-Sensitive Timing Arcs

Edge-sensitive timing arcs, such as the arc from the clock on a flip-flop, are identified by the following values of the `timing_type` attribute in the `timing` group.

rising_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a rising signal at the input pin.

falling_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a falling signal at the input pin.

These arcs are path-traced; the path tracer propagates only the active edge (rise or fall) path values along the timing arc.

See [“timing_type Simple Attribute”](#) for information about the `timing_type` attribute.

The following example shows the timing arc for the QN pin in a JK flip-flop in a CMOS library using a CMOS generic delay model.

Example

```

pin(QN) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "CP" ;
        timing_type : rising_edge ;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.29 ;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.61 ;
        rise_resistance : 0.1723 ;
        fall_resistance : 0.0553 ;
    }
}

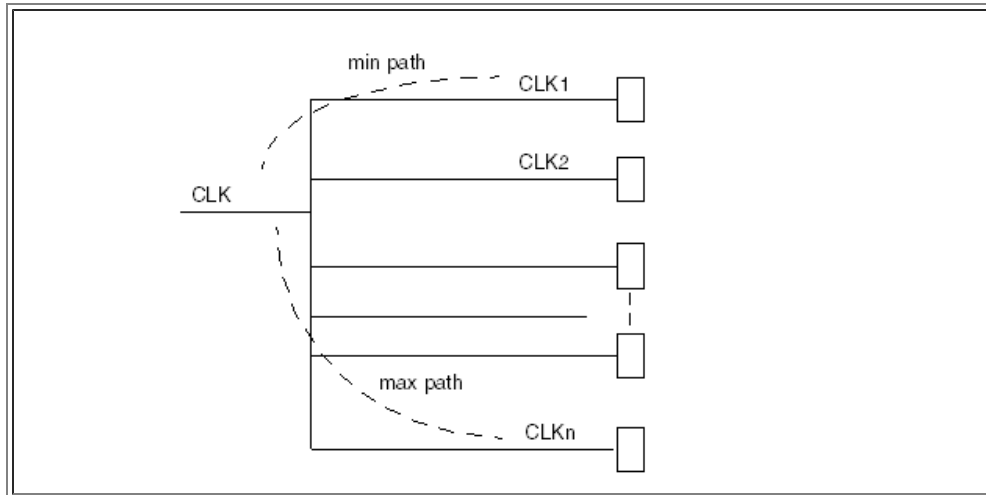
```

The QN pin makes a transition after the clock signal rises.

11.6 Describing Clock Insertion Delay

Arrival timing paths are the timing paths from an input clock pin to the clock pins that are internal to a cell. The arrival timing paths describe the minimum and the maximum timing constraint for a pin driving an internal clock tree for each input transition, as shown in [Figure 11-5](#).

Figure 11-5 Minimum and Maximum Clock Tree Paths



The `max_clock_tree_path` and `min_clock_tree_path` attributes let you define the maximum and minimum clock tree path constraints.

The clock tree path for any one clock can have up to eight values depending on the unateness of the pins and the fastest and slowest paths.

You can use either lookup tables or scalable polynomials to model the cell delays. Lookup tables are indexed only by the input transition time of the clock. Polynomials can include only the following variables in piecewise domains: `input_net_transition`, `voltage`, `voltagei`, and `temperature`.

For timing groups whose `timing_sense` attribute is set to `non_unate` and whose only variable is `input_net_transition`, use pairs of lookup tables or polynomials to model both positive unate and negative unate.

11.7 Describing Intrinsic Delay

The intrinsic delay of an element is the zero-load (fixed) component of the total delay equation. Intrinsic delay attributes have different meanings, depending on whether they are for an input or an output pin.

When describing an output pin, the intrinsic delay attributes define the fixed delay from input to output pin. These values are used to calculate the intrinsic delay of the total delay equation.

When describing an input pin, such as in a setup or hold timing arc, intrinsic attributes define the timing requirements for that pin. Pin D in [Example 11-12](#) illustrates the

intrinsic delay attributes used as timing constraints. Timing constraints are not used in the delay equation.

11.7.1 In the CMOS Generic Delay Model

The `intrinsic_rise` and `intrinsic_fall` attributes describe the intrinsic delay of a pin when you use the CMOS generic delay model.

11.7.2 In the CMOS Piecewise Linear Delay Model

You describe the intrinsic delay in the CMOS piecewise linear delay model the same way you describe it in the CMOS generic delay model. .

11.7.3 In the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

The description of intrinsic delay is inherent in the lookup tables you create for this delay model. See [“Defining the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model Template”](#) to find out how to create and use templates for lookup tables in a library, using the CMOS nonlinear delay model.

11.7.4 In the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model

The description of intrinsic delay is inherent in the polynomials you create for this delay model. See [“Defining the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model Template”](#) to learn how to create and use templates for scalable polynomials in a library, using the CMOS scalable polynomial nonlinear delay model.

11.8 Describing Transition Delay

The transition delay of an element is the time it takes the driving pin to change state. Transition delay attributes represent the resistance encountered in making logic transitions.

The components of the total delay calculation depend on the timing delay model used. Include the transition delay attributes that apply to the delay model you are using.

11.8.1 In the CMOS Generic Delay Model

Use the following `timing` group attributes exclusively for generic delay models. In the attribute statements, the value is a positive floating-point number for the delay time per load unit.

11.8.2 In the CMOS Piecewise Linear Delay Model

When using a piecewise linear delay model, you must include the `piece_define` attribute statement in the `library` group; the `piece_type` attribute statement is optional.

The transition delay for piecewise linear equations is modeled with `delay-intercept` attributes and `pin-resistance` attributes. `Delay-intercept` attributes define the intercept for vendors that use slope- or intercept-type timing equations. `Pin-resistance` attributes describe the resistance encountered during logic transitions.

11.8.3 In the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

Transition time is the time it takes for an output signal to make a transition between the high and low logic states. With nonlinear delay models, it is computed by table lookup and interpolation. Transition delay is a function of capacitance at the output pin and input transition time.

Defining Delay Arcs With Lookup Tables

These timing group attributes provide valid lookup tables for delay arcs:

- `cell_rise`
- `cell_fall`
- `rise_propagation`
- `fall_propagation`
- `retaining_rise`
- `retaining_fall`
- `retain_rise_slew`
- `retain_fall_slew`

Note:

For timing groups with timing type `clear`, only fall groups are valid.

For timing groups with timing type `preset`, only rise groups are valid.

There are two methods for defining delay arcs. Choose the method that best fits your library data characterization. .

Method 1

To specify cell delay independently of transition delay, use one of these timing group attributes as your lookup table:

- `cell_rise`
- `cell_fall`

Method 2

To specify transition delay as a term in the total cell delay, use one of these timing group attributes as your lookup table:

- `rise_propagation`
- `fall_propagation`

retaining_rise and retaining_fall Groups

The retaining delay is the time during which an output port retains its current logical value after a voltage rise or fall at a related input port.

The retaining delay is part of the arc delay (I/O path delay); therefore, its time cannot exceed the arc delay time. Because retaining delay is part of the arc delay, the retaining delay tables are placed within the timing arc.

The value you enter for the `retaining_rise` attribute determines how long the output pin retains its current value, 0, after the value at the related input port has changed.

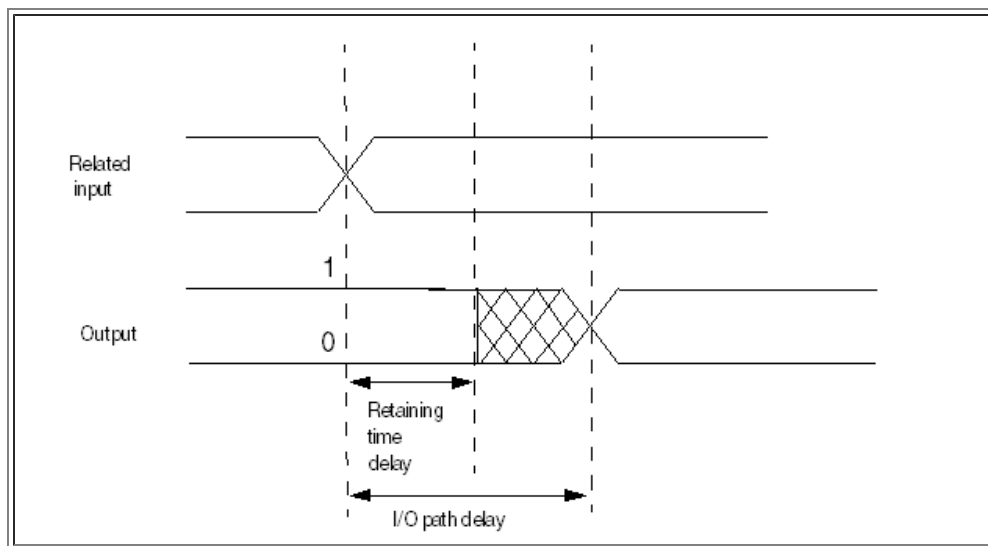
The value you enter for the `retaining_fall` attribute determines how long the output retains its current value, 1, after the value at the related input port has changed.

Note:

Retaining time works only on a nonlinear delay model.

[Figure 11-6](#) shows retaining delay in regard to changes in a related input port.

Figure 11-6 Retaining Time Delay



[Example 11-3](#) shows how to use the `retaining_rise` and `retaining_fall` attributes.

Example 11-3 Retaining Time Delay

```
library(foo) {  
    ...  
    lu_table_template (retaining_table_template){  
    ...  
        variable_1: total_output_net_capacitance;  
        variable_2: input_net_transition;  
        index_1 ("0.0, 1.5");  
        index_2 ("1.0, 2.1");  
    }  
    ...  
    cell (cell_name){  
    ...  
        pin (A) {  
            direction : output;  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```



```

        timing(){
            related_pin : "B"
            ...
            retaining_rise (retaining_table_template){
                values ("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28");
            }
            retaining_fall (retaining_table_template){
                values ("0.01, 0.30", 0.12, 0.18");
            }
        }/*end of pin() */
        ...
    }/*end of cell() */
    ...
}/*end of library() */

```

See [“Specifying Delay Scaling Attributes”](#) for information about calculating delay factors. For information about including propagation delay in total cell delay calculations, see [“”](#).

retain_rise_slew and retain_fall_slew Groups

These groups let you specify a slew table for the retain arc that is separate from the table of the parent delay arc. This retain arc represents the time it takes until an output pin starts losing its current logical value after a related input pin is changed. This decaying of the output logic value happens not only at a different time than the propagation of the final logical value but also at a different rate.

The retain delay is part of the arc delay (I/O path delay), and therefore its time cannot exceed the arc delay time. Because the retain delay is part of the arc delay, the retain delay tables are placed within the timing arc.

The value you enter for the `retain_rise_slew` attribute determines how long the output pin retains its current value, 0, after the value at the related input port has changed.

The value you enter for the `retain_fall_slew` attribute determines how long the output retains its current value, 1, after the value at the related input port has changed.

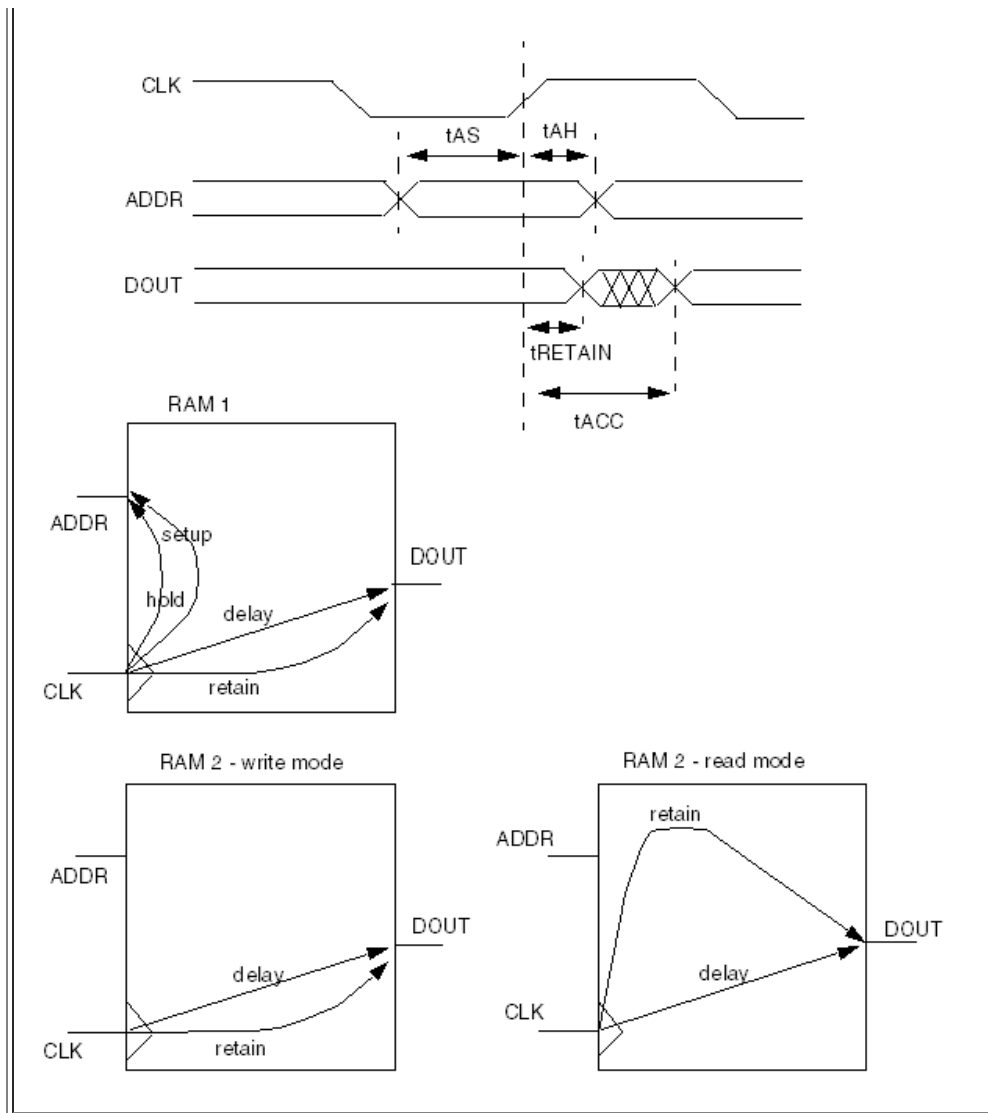
Note:

Retaining time works only on a nonlinear delay model.

[Figure 11-7](#) shows a timing diagram of synchronous RAM.

Figure 11-7 Timing Diagram of Synchronous RAM





Example

```

library(library_name) {
  ...
  lu_table_template (retaining_table_template){
    ...
    variable_1: total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_2: input_net_transition;
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.5");
    index_2 ("1.0, 2.1");
  }
  ...
  cell (cell_name){
    ...
    pin (A) {
      direction : output;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

```

        timing(){
            related_pin : "B"
            ...
            retaining_rise
            (retaining_table_template){
                values ("0.00, 0.23", "0.11,
0.28");
            }
            retaining_fall
            (retaining_table_template){
                values ("0.01, 0.30", 0.12,
0.18");
            }

            retain_rise_slew(retaining_time_template){
                values("0.01,0.02");
            }

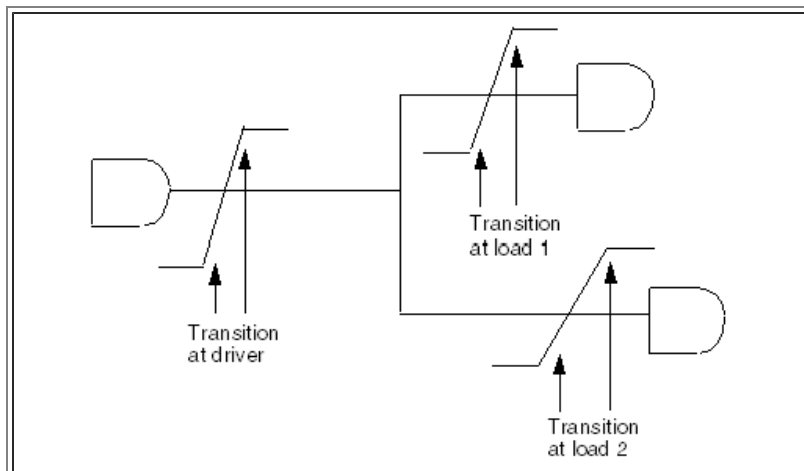
            retain_fall_slew(retaining_time_template){
                values("0.01,0.02");
            }
        }/*end of pin() */
        ...
    }/*end of cell() */
    ...
}/*end of library() */

```

Modeling Transition Time Degradation

Current nonlinear delay models are based on the assumption that the transition time at the load pin is the same as the transition time created at the driver pin. In reality, the net acts as a low-pass filter and the transition flattens out as it propagates from the driver of the net to each load, as shown in [Figure 11-8](#). The higher the interconnect load, the greater the flattening effect and the greater the transition delay.

Figure 11-8 Transition Time Degradation



To model the degradation of the transition time as it propagates from an output pin over the net to the next input pin, include these library-level groups in your library:

- `rise_transition_degradation`
- `fall_transition_degradation`

These groups contain the values describing the degradation functions for rise and fall transitions in the form of lookup tables. The lookup tables are indexed by

- Transition time at the net driver
- Connect delay between the driver and a load

These are the supported values for transition degradation (`variable_1` and `variable_2`):

- `output_pin_transition`
- `connect_delay`

You can assign either `connect_delay` or `output_pin_transition` to `variable_1` or `variable_2`, if the index and table values are consistent with the assignment.

The values you use in the table compute the degradation transition according to the following formula:

```
degraded_transition =  
table_lookup(f(output_pin_transition, connect_delay))
```

The k-factors for process, voltage, and temperature are not supplied for the new tables. The `output_pin_transition` value and the `connect_delay` value are computed at the current, rather than nominal, operating conditions.

[Example 11-4](#) shows the use of the degradation tables. In this example, `trans_deg` is the name of the template for the transition degradation.

Example 11-4 Using Degradation Tables

```
library (simple_tlu) {  
  delay_model : table_lookup;  
  
  /* define the table templates */  
  
  lu_table_template(prop) {  
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;  
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;  
    index_1("0, 1, 2");  
    index_2("0, 1, 2");  
  }  
  
  lu_table_template(tran) {  
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
```

```

    variable_2 : input_net_transition ;
    index_1("0, 1, 2");
    index_2("0, 1, 2");
}

lu_table_template(constraint) {
    variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition ;
    index_1("0, 1, 2");
    variable_2 : related_pin_transition ;
    index_2("0, 1, 2");
}

lu_table_template(trans_deg) {
    variable_1 : output_pin_transition ;
    index_1("0, 1");
    variable_2 : connect_delay ;
    index_2("0, 1");
}

/* the new degradation tables */

rise_transition_degradation(trans_deg) {
    values("0.0, 0.6", "1.0, 1.6");
}
fall_transition_degradation(trans_deg) {
    values("0.0, 0.8", "1.0, 1.8");
}

/* other library level defaults */

default_inout_pin_cap : 1.0;
...
k_process_fall_transition : 1.0;
...

nom_process : 1.0;
nom_temperature : 25.0;
nom_voltage : 5.0;

operating_conditions(BASIC_WORST) {
    process : 1.5 ;
    temperature : 70 ;
}

```

```

    voltage : 4.75 ;
    tree_type : "worst_case_tree" ;
}

/* list of cell descriptions */
cell(AN2) {
....
}

```

11.9 Modeling Load Dependency

[“Describing Transition Delay”](#) describes how to model the transition time dependency of a constrained pin and its related pin on timing constraints. You can further model the effect of unbuffered output on timing constraints by modeling load dependency.

Load-dependent constraints are allowed in the CMOS nonlinear delay model and in the scalable polynomial delay model.

11.9.1 In the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

This is the procedure for modeling load dependency.

1. In the `timing` group of the output pin, set the `timing_type` attribute value.
2. Use the `related_output_pin` attribute in the `timing` group to specify which output pin to use to calculate the load dependency.
3. Create a three-dimensional table template that uses two variables and indexes to model transition time and the third variable and index to model load. The variable values for representing output loading on the `related_output_pin` are

```

related_out_total_output_net_capacitance
related_out_output_net_length
related_out_output_net_wire_cap
related_out_output_net_pin_cap

```

See [“Defining the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model Template”](#).

4. Create a three-dimensional lookup table, using the table template and the `index_3` attribute in the lookup table group. (See [“Creating Lookup Tables”](#).) The following groups are valid lookup tables for output load modeling:
 - o `rise_constraint`
 - o `fall_constraint`

See [“Setting Setup and Hold Constraints”](#) for information about these groups.

[Example 11-5](#) is an example of a library that includes a load-dependent model.

Example 11-5 Load-Dependent Model in a Library

```

library(load_dependent) {
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
}

```

```

lu_table_template(constraint) {
    variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition;
    variable_2 : related_pin_transition;
    variable_3 :
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1 ("1, 5, 10");
    index_2 ("1, 5, 10");
    index_3 ("1, 5, 10");
}
cell(selector) {
    ...
    pin(d) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 4 ;
        timing() {
            related_pin : "sel";
            related_output_pin : "so";
            timing_type : non_seq_hold_rising;
            rise_constraint(constraint) {
                values("1.5, 2.5, 3.5", "1.6, 2.6, 3.6", "1.7, 2.7, 3.7",
\
                "1.8, 2.8, 3.8", "1.9, 2.9, 3.9", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0",
\
                "2.1, 3.1, 4.1", "2.2, 3.2, 4.2", "2.3, 3.3,
4.3");
            }
            fall_constraint(constraint) {
                values("1.5, 2.5, 3.5", "1.6, 2.6, 3.6", "1.7, 2.7, 3.7",
\
                "1.8, 2.8, 3.8", "1.9, 2.9, 3.9", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0",
\
                "2.1, 3.1, 4.1", "2.2, 3.2, 4.2", "2.3, 3.3,
4.3");
            }
        }
    }
    ...
}
}

```

11.9.2 In the CMOS Scalable Polynomial Delay Model

This is the procedure for modeling load dependency.

1. In the `timing` group of the output pin, set the `timing_type` attribute value.
2. Specify the output pin used to figure the load dependency with the `related_output_pin` attribute described later.
3. Create a three-dimensional table template that uses two variables to model transition time and a third variable, `poly_template`, to model load. The variable values for representing output loading on the `related_output_pin` are

```

related_out_total_output_net_capacitance
related_out_output_net_length
related_out_output_net_wire_cap
related_out_output_net_pin_cap

```

See [“Defining the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model Template”](#).

4. Create a three-dimensional lookup table, using the table template and the `index_3` attribute in the lookup table group.

Express the delay equation in terms of scalable polynomial delay coefficients, using the `variable_3` variable and the `variable_3_range` attribute in the `poly_template` group.

- o `rise_constraint`
- o `fall_constraint`

See [“Setting Setup and Hold Constraints”](#) for information about these groups.

[Example 11-6](#) is an example of a library that includes a load-dependent model.

Example 11-6 Load-Dependent Model

```

library(load_dependent) {
    ...
    technology (cmos) ;
    delay_model : polynomial ;
    ...
    poly_template ( const ) {
        variables (constrained_pin_transition, related_pin_transition,
\
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance);
        variable_1_range (0.0000, 4.0000);
        variable_2_range (0.0000, 4.0000);
        variable_3_range (0.0000, 4.0000);
    }
    ...
    cell(example) {
        ...
        pin(D) {
            direction : input ;
            capacitance : 1.00 ;
            timing() {
                timing_type : setup_rising ;
                fall_constraint(const) {
                    orders ("2, 1, 1")
                    coefs ("1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0,
1.0");
                }
                rise_constraint(const){
                    orders ("2, 1, 1")
                    coefs ("1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0,

```



```

1.0");
        }
        related_pin : "CP" ;
        related_output_pin : "Q";
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : hold_rising ;
        rise_constraint(const) {
            orders ("1, 1, 1")
            coefs ("1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0,
1.0");
        }
        fall_constraint(const){
            orders ("1, 1, 1")
            coefs ("1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0,
1.0");
        }
        related_pin : "CP" ;
        related_output_pin : "Q";
    }
}
...
} /* end cell */
...
} /* end library */

```

11.10 Describing Slope Sensitivity

The slope delay of an element is the incremental time delay due to slowing changing input signals. Slope delay is calculated with the transition delay at the previous output pin with a slope sensitivity factor.

A slope sensitivity factor accounts for the time during which the input voltage begins to rise but has not reached the threshold level at which channel conduction begins. It is defined in the `timing` group of the driving pin.

The value in the attribute statements for slope sensitivity is a positive floating-point number that results in slope delay when multiplied by the transition delay.

11.10.1 In the CMOS Generic Delay Model and Piecewise Linear Delay Model

Use these slope sensitivity attributes for CMOS generic or piecewise linear technology only.

`slope_rise` Simple Attribute

This value represents the incremental delay to add to the slope of the input waveform for a logic 0-to-1 transition.

Example

```
slope_rise : 0.0;
```

slope_fall Simple Attribute

This value represents the incremental delay to add to the slope of the input waveform for a logic 1-to-0 transition.

Example

```
slope_fall: 0.0;
```

11.11 Describing State-Dependent Delays

These timing attributes describe the delay values for specified conditions.

In the `timing` group of a technology library, you need to specify state-dependent delays that correspond to entries in Open Verilog International Standard Delay Format (OVI SDF 2.1) syntax.

To define a state-dependent timing arc, use these attributes:

- `when`
- `sdf_cond`

For state-dependent timing, each `timing` group requires both the `sdf_cond` and the `when` attributes.

You must define mutually exclusive conditions for state-dependent timing arcs. *Mutually exclusive* means that no more than one condition (defined in the `when` attribute) can be met at any time. Use the `default_timing` attribute to specify a default timing arc in the case of multiple timing arcs with `when` attributes.

11.11.1 when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute is a Boolean expression in the `timing` group that specifies the condition on which a timing arc depends to activate a path. Conditional timing lets you control the output pin of a cell with respect to the various *states* of the input pins.

See [Table 11-4](#) for the valid Boolean operators.

Table 11-4 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	Invert previous expression
!	Invert following expression
^	Logical XOR
*	Logical AND
&	Logical AND

space	Logical AND
+	Logical OR
	Logical OR
1	Signal tied to logic 1
0	Signal tied to logic 0

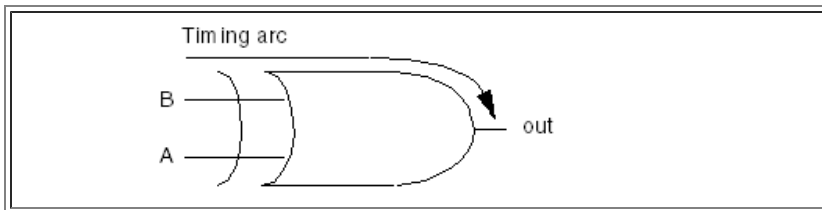
The order of precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

Example

when : "B";

[Figure 11-9](#) shows an XOR gate.

Figure 11-9 XOR Gate With State-Dependent Timing Arc



[Example 11-7](#) shows how to use the `when` attribute for an XOR gate. In the description of the XOR cell, pin A sets conditional timing for the output pin “out” when you define the timing arc for `related_pin B`. In this example, when you set conditional timing for `related_pin A` with the `when : “B”` statement, the output pin gets the `negative_unate` value of A when the condition is B.

There are limitations on the pin types that can be used with different types of cells with the `when` attribute.

For a combinational cell, these pins are valid with the `when` attribute:

- Pins in the `function` attribute for regular combinational timing arcs
- Pins in the `three_state` attribute for the endpoint of the timing arc

For a sequential cell, valid pins or variables to use with the `when` attribute are determined by the timing type of the arc.

- For timing types `rising_edge` and `falling_edge`: Pins in these attributes are allowed in the `when` attribute:
 - `next_state`
 - `clocked_on`
 - `clocked_on_also`
 - `enable`
 - `data_in`

- For timing type `clear`
 - If the pin's function is the first state variable in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group, the pin that defines the clear condition in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group is allowed in the `when` construct.
 - If the pin's function is the second state variable in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group, the pin that defines the preset condition in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group is allowed in the `when` construct.
- For timing type `preset`
 - If the pin's function is the first state variable in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group, the pin that defines the preset condition in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group is allowed in the `when` construct.
 - If the pin's function is the second state variable in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group, the pin that defines the clear condition in the `flip-flop` or `latch` group is allowed in the `when` construct.

See ["timing_type Simple Attribute"](#) for more information.

All input pins in a black box cell (a cell without a `function` attribute) are allowed in the `when` attribute.

11.11.2 `sdf_cond` Simple Attribute

Defined in the state-dependent timing group, the `sdf_cond` attribute supports Standard Delay Format (SDF) file generation and condition matching during back-annotation.

Example

```
sdf_cond : "SE ==1'B1";
```

The `sdf_cond` attribute must be logically equivalent to the `when` attribute for the same timing arc. If the two Boolean expressions are not equivalent, back-annotation is not performed properly.

The `sdf_cond` expressions must be syntax-compliant with SDF 2.1. If the expressions do not meet this standard, errors are generated later in the flow during the generation and reuse of the SDF files.

For simple delay paths, such as IOPATH, you can use the Boolean operators, such as `&&` and `||`, with the `sdf_cond` attribute. However, Verilog timing check statements, including `setup`, `hold`, `recovery`, and `removal` do not support Boolean operators.

[Example 11-7](#) is a 2-input XOR gate. It represents a commonly used state-dependent delay case. The intrinsic delay between pin A and pin OUT is 1.3 for rising and 1.5 for falling when pin B = 1. There is an additional timing arc between the same two pins that has `intrinsic_rise` 1.4 and `intrinsic_fall` 1.6 when pin B = 0.

Example 11-7 XOR Cell With State-Dependent Timing

```
cell(XOR) {
    pin(A) {
        direction : input;
        ...
    }
}
```

```

pin(B) {
    direction : input;
    ...
}
pin(out) {
    direction : output;
    function : "A ^ B";
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        when : "B";
        sdf_cond : " B == 1'B1 ";
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.5;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_sense : positive_unate;
        when : "!B";
        sdf_cond : " B == 1'B0 ";
        intrinsic_rise : 1.4;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.6;
    }
    timing() {          /* default timing arc */
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_sense : non_unate;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.4;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.6;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "B";
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        when : "A";
        sdf_cond : "A == 1'B1 ";
        intrinsic_rise : 1.3;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.5;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "B";
        timing_sense : positive_unate;
        when : "!A";
        sdf_cond : "A == 1'B0 ";
        intrinsic_rise : 1.4;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.6;
    }
    timing() {          /* default timing arc */
        related_pin : "B";
        timing_sense : non_unate;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.4;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.6;
    }
}

```

```
}  
}  
}
```

11.12 Setting Setup and Hold Constraints

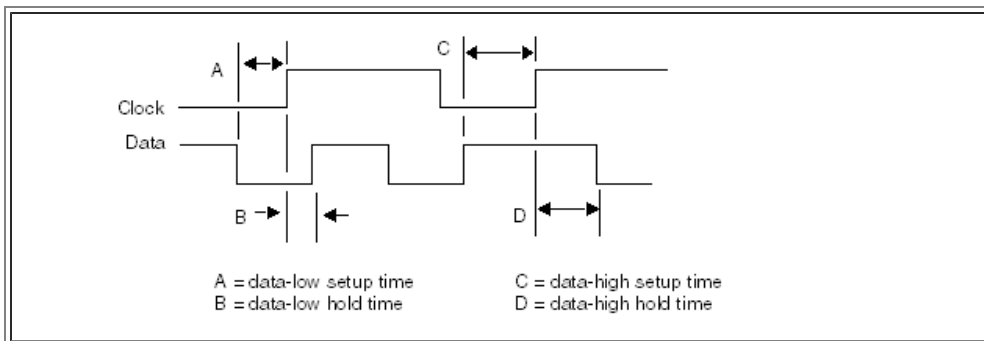
Signals arriving at an input pin have ramp times. Therefore, you must ensure that the data signal has stabilized before latching its value by defining setup and hold arcs as timing requirements.

- Setup constraints describe the minimum time allowed between the arrival of the data and the transition of the clock signal. During this time, the data signal must remain constant. If the data signal makes a transition during the setup time, an incorrect value might be latched.
- Hold constraints describe the minimum time allowed between the transition of the clock signal and the latching of the data. During this time, the data signal must remain constant. If the data signal makes a transition during the hold time, an incorrect value might be latched.

By combining a setup time and a hold time, you can ensure the stability of data that is latched.

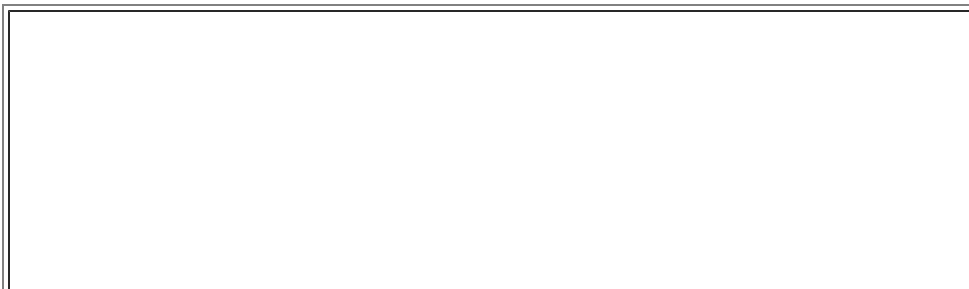
[Figure 11-10](#) shows setup and hold timing for a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop. The timing checks for flip-flops use the activating edge of the clock, which is the rising edge in this case.

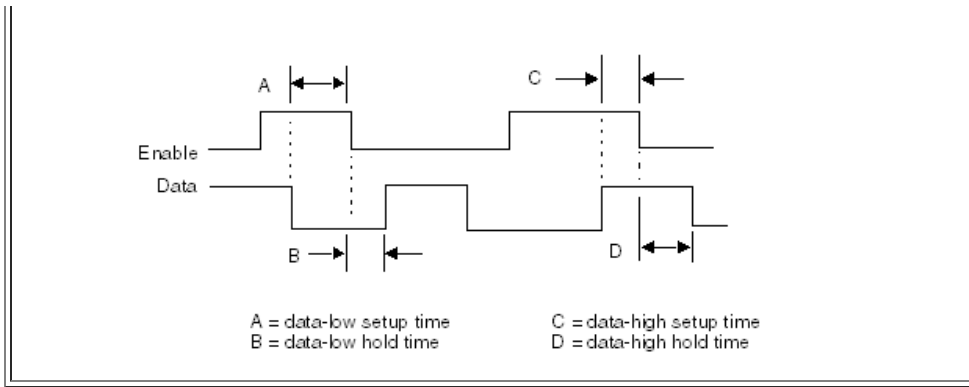
Figure 11-10 Setup and Hold Constraints for Rising-Edge-Triggered Flip-Flop



[Figure 11-11](#) illustrates setup and hold timing for a high-enable latch. The timing checks for latches generally use the deactivating edge of the enable signal, which is the falling edge in this case. However, the method used depends on the vendor.

Figure 11-11 Setup and Hold Constraints for High-Enable Latch





11.12.1 In the CMOS Generic Delay Model and Piecewise Linear Delay Model

Use setup and hold constraints only between data pins and clock pins.

Setup Constraints

The values you can assign to a `timing_type` attribute to define timing arcs used for setup checks on clocked elements are

`setup_rising`

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the setup check.

`setup_falling`

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the setup check.

To define a setup constraint,

1. Assign one of the constraint values to the `timing_type` attribute.
2. Specify a related pin in the `timing` group.

The `related_pin` attribute in a timing arc with a `setup_rising` or `setup_falling` timing type identifies the pin used for the timing check.

Example

This example describes the setup arc for the data pin on the rising-edge-triggered D flip-flop shown in [Figure 11-10](#). The `intrinsic_rise` value represents setup time C, and the `intrinsic_fall` value represents setup time A. The syntax shown assumes a generic or piecewise linear delay model.

```
timing() {
    timing_type : setup_rising ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.5 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.5 ;
    related_pin : "Clock" ;
}
```

The following example describes the setup constraint for the data pin on the high-enable latch shown in [Figure 11-11](#). The `intrinsic_rise` value represents setup time C, and the `intrinsic_fall` value represents setup time A.

```
timing() {
    timing_type : setup_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.5 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.5 ;
    related_pin : "Enable" ;
}
```

Hold Constraints

The values you can assign to the `timing_type` attribute to define timing constraints used for hold checks on clocked elements are

hold_rising

This value designates the rising edge of the related pin for the hold check.

hold_falling

This value designates the falling edge of the related pin for the hold check.

To define a hold constraint,

1. Assign one of the constraint values to the `timing_type` attribute.
2. Specify a related pin in the `timing` group.

The `related_pin` attribute in a timing arc with a `hold_rising` or `hold_falling` timing type identifies the pin used for the timing check.

Example

This example shows the hold constraint for pin D on a rising-edge-triggered D flip-flop. The `intrinsic_rise` value represents hold time B in [Figure 11-10](#), and the `intrinsic_fall` value is hold time D.

```
timing() {
    timing_type : hold_rising;
    intrinsic_rise : 0.5 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 0.5;
    related_pin : "Clock" ;
}
```

The following example shows the hold constraint for the data pin on a high-enable latch. The `intrinsic_rise` value represents hold time B in [Figure 11-11](#), and the `intrinsic_fall` value represents hold time D.

```
timing() {
    timing_type : hold_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.5 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.5 ;
}
```



```

    related_pin : "Enable" ;
}

```

Setup and Hold Timing Constraints

You can describe a complete setup and hold timing constraint by combining a setup constraint and a hold constraint. The following example shows setup and hold timing constraints on pin K in a JK flip-flop.

```

pin(K) {
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 1.3 ;
  timing() {
    timing_type : setup_rising ;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.5 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.5 ;
    related_pin : "CP" ;
  }
  timing() {
    timing_type : hold_rising ;
    intrinsic_rise : 0.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 0.0 ;
    related_pin : "CP" ;
  }
}

```

11.12.2 In the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

The CMOS nonlinear timing model can support timing constraints that are sensitive to clock or data-input transition times. Each constraint is defined by a `timing` group with two lookup tables:

- `rise_constraint` group
- `fall_constraint` group

rise_constraint and fall_constraint Groups

These constraint tables replace the `intrinsic_rise` and `intrinsic_fall` attributes used in the other delay models. The format of the lookup table template and the format of the lookup table are the same as described previously in [“Defining the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model Template”](#) and [“Creating Lookup Tables”](#).

These are valid variable values for the timing constraint template:

constrained_pin_transition

Value for the transition time of the pin that owns the `timing` group.

related_pin_transition

Value for the transition time of the `related_pin` defined in the `timing`

group.

For each timing group containing one of the following `timing_type` attribute values, at least one lookup table is required:

- `setup_rising`
- `setup_falling`
- `hold_rising`
- `hold_falling`
- `skew_rising`
- `skew_falling`
- `non_seq_setup_rising`
- `non_seq_setup_falling`
- `non_seq_hold_rising`
- `non_seq_hold_falling`
- `nochange_high_high`
- `nochange_high_low`
- `nochange_low_high`
- `nochange_low_low`

For each timing group with one of the following `timing_type` attribute values, only one lookup table is required:

- `recovery_rising`
- `recovery_falling`
- `removal_rising`
- `removal_falling`

[Example 11-8](#) shows how to use tables to specify setup constraints for a flip-flop.

Example 11-8 CMOS Nonlinear Timing Model Using Constraint

```
library( vendor_b ) {

    /* 1. Use delay lookup table */
    delay_model : table_lookup;

    /* 2. Define template of size 3 x 3*/
    lu_table_template(constraint_template) {
        variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition;
        variable_2 : related_pin_transition;
        index_1 ("0.0, 0.5, 1.5");
        index_2 ("0.0, 2.0, 4.0");
    }
    . . .
    cell(dff) {
        pin(d) {
            direction: input;
            timing() {
```

```

        related_pin : "clk";
        timing_type : setup_rising;

        /* Inherit the constraint_template template
*/
        rise_constraint(constraint_template) {

            /* Specify all the values */
            values ("0.0, 0.13, 0.19", \
                "0.21, 0.23, 0.41", \
                "0.33, 0.37, 0.50");
        }
        fall_constraint(constraint_template) {
            values ("0.0, 0.14, 0.20", \
                "0.22, 0.24, 0.42", \
                "0.34, 0.38, 0.51");
        }
        . . .
    }
}

```

11.12.3 In the Scalable Polynomial Delay Model

[Example 11-9](#) shows how to specify constraint in a scalable polynomial delay model.

Example 11-9 CMOS Scalable Polynomial Delay Model Using Constraint

```

library(vendor_b) {
    /* Use polynomial delay model */
    delay_model : polynomial;
    /* Define template */
    poly_template ( constraint_template_poly ) {
        variables (constrained_pin_transition,
related_pin_transition);
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    .....
    cell(dff) {
        pin(D) {
            direction : input ;
            timing() {
                related_pin : "CP" ;
                timing_type : setup_rising ;
                rise_constraint ( constraint_template_poly )
            }
        }
    }
}

```


non_seq_setup_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the setup check.

non_seq_hold_rising

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the hold check.

non_seq_hold_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the hold check.

To model nonsequential setup and hold constraints for a cell,

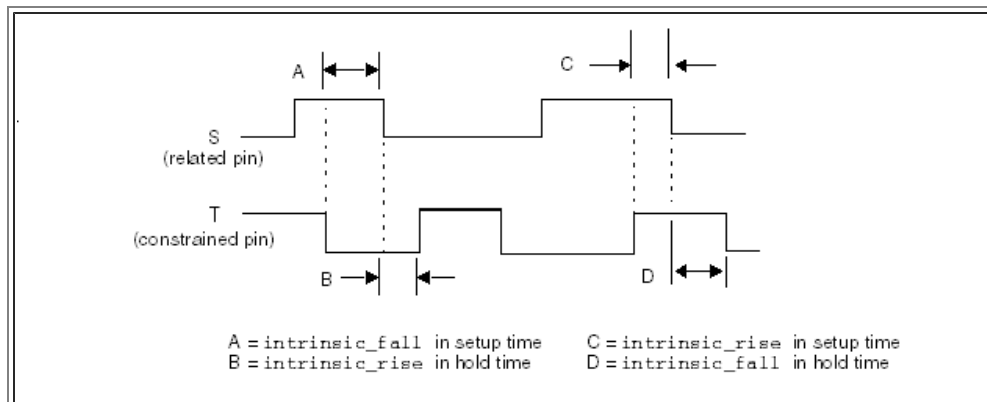
1. Assign a value to the `timing_type` attribute in a `timing` group of an input or I/O pin.
2. Specify a related pin with the `related_pin` attribute in the `timing` group. The related pin in a timing arc is the pin used for the timing check.
Use any pin in the same cell, except for output pins, and the constrained pin itself as the related pin.
You can use both rising and falling edges as the active edge of the related pin for one cell.

Example

```
pin(T) {  
    timing() {  
        timing_type : non_seq_setup_falling;  
        intrinsic_rise : 1.5;  
        intrinsic_fall : 1.5;  
        related_pin : "S";  
    }  
}
```

[Figure 11-12](#) shows the waveforms for the nonsequential timing arc described in the preceding example. In this timing arc, the constrained pin is T and its related pin is S. The intrinsic rise value describes setup time C or hold time B. The intrinsic fall value describes setup time A or hold time D.

Figure 11-12 Nonsequential Setup and Hold Constraints



11.14 Setting Recovery and Removal Timing Constraints

Use the recovery and removal timing arcs for asynchronous control pins such as clear and preset.

11.14.1 Recovery Constraints

The recovery timing arc describes the minimum allowable time between the control pin transition to the inactive state and the active edge of the synchronous clock signal (time between the control signal going inactive and the clock edge that latches data in).

The asynchronous control signal must remain constant during this time, or else an incorrect value might appear at the outputs.

[Figure 11-13](#) shows the recovery timing arc for a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop with active-low clear.

[Figure 11-14](#) shows the recovery timing arc for a low-enable latch with active-high preset.

Figure 11-13 Recovery Timing Constraint for a Rising-Edge-Triggered Flip-Flop

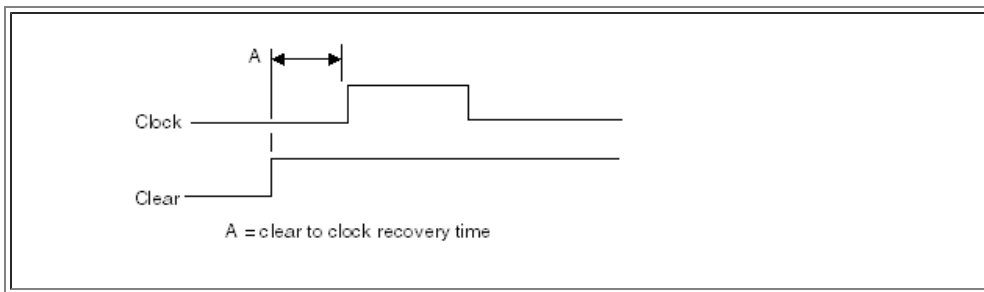
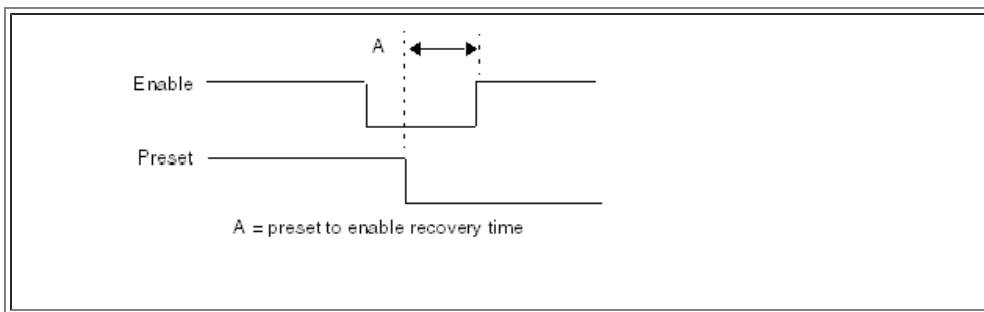


Figure 11-14 Recovery Timing Constraint for a Low-Enable Latch



The values you can assign to a `timing_type` attribute to define a recovery time constraint are

recovery_rising

Uses the rising edge of the related pin for the recovery time check; the clock is rising-edge-triggered.

recovery_falling

Uses the falling edge of the related pin for the recovery time check; the clock is falling-edge-triggered.

To define a recovery time constraint for an asynchronous control pin,

1. Assign a value to the `timing_type` attribute.

Use `recovery_rising` for rising-edge-triggered flip-flops and low-enable latches; use `recovery_falling` for negative- edge-triggered flip-flops and high-enable latches.

2. Identify the synchronous clock pin as the `related_pin`.

For active-low control signals, define the recovery time with the `intrinsic_rise` statement.

For active-high control signals, define the recovery time with the `intrinsic_fall` statement.

Example

This example shows a recovery timing arc for the active-low clear signal in a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop. The `intrinsic_rise` value represents clock recovery time A in [Figure 11-13](#).

```
pin (Clear) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "Clock" ;
        timing_type : recovery_rising;
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0 ;
    }
}
```

The following example shows a recovery timing arc for the active-high preset signal in a low-enable latch. The `intrinsic_fall` value represents clock recovery time A in [Figure 11-14](#).

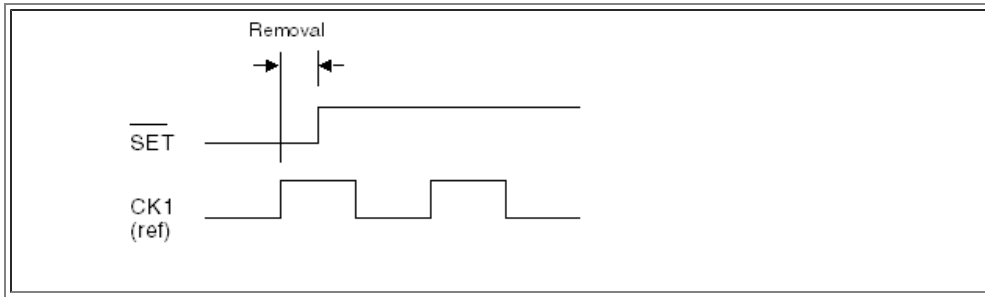
```
pin (Preset) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "Enable" ;
        timing_type : recovery_rising;
        intrinsic_fall : 1.0 ;
    }
}
```

11.14.2 Removal Constraint

This constraint is also known as the asynchronous control signal hold time.

The removal constraint describes the minimum allowable time between the active edge of the clock pin while the asynchronous pin is active and the inactive edge of the same asynchronous control pin (see [Figure 11-15](#)).

Figure 11-15 Timing Diagram for Removal Constraint



The values you can assign to a `timing_type` attribute to define a removal constraint are

`removal_rising`

Use when the cell is a low-enable latch or a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop.

`removal_falling`

Use when the cell is a high-enable latch or a falling-edge-triggered flip-flop.

To define a removal constraint,

1. Assign a value to the `timing_type` attribute.
2. Identify the synchronous clock pin as the `related_pin`.
3. For active-low asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_rise` attribute.
For active-high asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_fall` attribute.

Example

```
pin ( SET ) {
    ....
    timing() {
        timing_type : removal_rising;
        related_pin : " CK1 ";
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0 ;
    }
}
```

11.15 Setting No-Change Timing Constraints

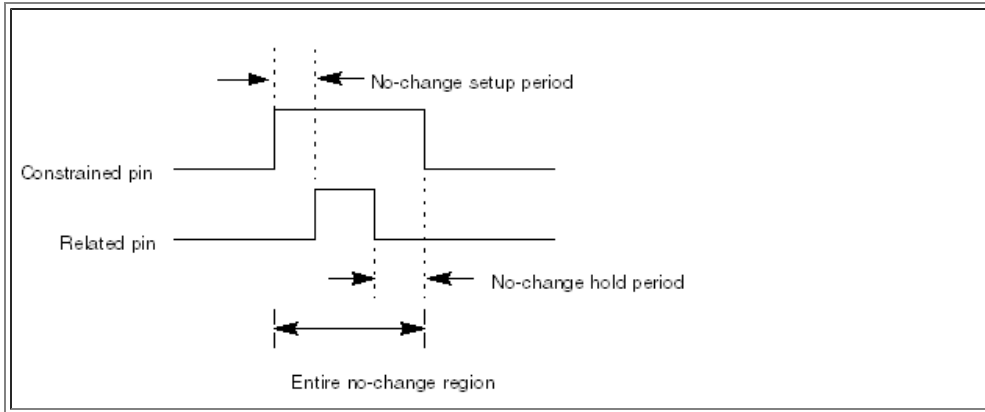
A no-change timing check checks a constrained signal against a level-sensitive related signal. The constrained signal must remain stable during an established setup period, for the width of the related pulse, and during an established hold period.

For example, you can use the no-change timing check to model the timing requirements of latch devices with latch enable signals. To ensure correct latch sampling, the latch enable signal must remain stable during the clock pulse and the setup and hold time around the clock pulse.

You can also use the no-change timing check to model the timing requirements of memory devices. To guarantee correct read/write operations, the address or data must remain stable during a read/write enable pulse and the setup and hold margins around the pulse.

[Figure 11-16](#) shows a no-change timing check between a constrained pin and its level-sensitive related pin.

Figure 11-16 No-Change Timing Check



The values you can assign to a `timing_type` attribute to define a no-change timing constraint are

nochange_high_high

Specifies a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

nochange_high_low

Specifies a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

nochange_low_high

Specifies a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

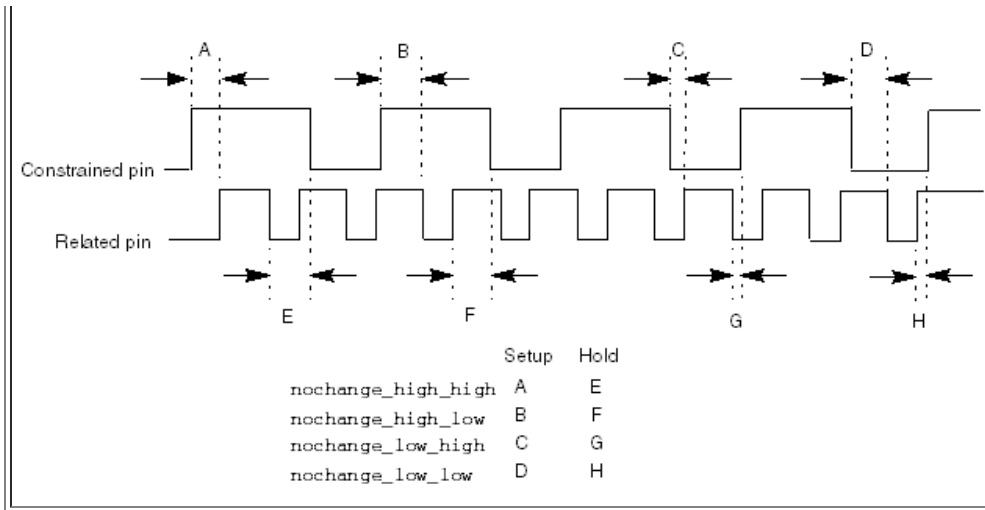
nochange_low_low

Specifies a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

[Figure 11-17](#) shows the waveforms for these constraints.

Figure 11-17 No-Change Setup and Hold Constraint Waveforms





To model no-change timing constraints,

1. Assign a value to the `timing_type` attribute.
2. Specify a related pin with the `related_pin` attribute in the `timing` group.
The related pin in the timing arc is the pin used for the timing check.
3. Specify delay attribute values according to the delay model you use, as summarized in the following table.

No-change constraint	Setup attribute for generic delay and nonlinear delay models	Hold attribute for generic delay and nonlinear delay models
nochange_high_high	<code>intrinsic_rise / rise_constraint</code>	<code>intrinsic_fall / fall_constraint</code>
nochange_high_low	<code>intrinsic_rise / rise_constraint</code>	<code>intrinsic_fall / fall_constraint</code>
nochange_low_high	<code>intrinsic_fall / fall_constraint</code>	<code>intrinsic_rise / rise_constraint</code>
nochange_low_low	<code>intrinsic_fall / fall_constraint</code>	<code>intrinsic_rise / rise_constraint</code>

Note:

With no-change timing constraints, conditional timing constraints have different interpretations than they do with other constraints. See [“Setting Conditional Timing Constraints”](#) for more information.

11.15.1 In the CMOS Generic Delay Model

In the CMOS generic delay model, specify setup time with `intrinsic_rise` and hold time with `intrinsic_fall`.

This is the syntax for the no-change timing check in the CMOS generic delay model:

```
timing () {
```

```

    timing_type : nochange_high_high | nochange_high_low |
                nochange_low_high | nochange_low_low;
    related_pin : related_pinname;
    intrinsic_rise : float; /* constrained signal rising
*/
    intrinsic_fall : float; /* constrained signal falling
*/
}

```

11.15.2 In the CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

In the CMOS nonlinear delay model, specify setup time with `rise_constraint` and hold time with `fall_constraint`.

This is the syntax for the no-change timing check in the CMOS nonlinear delay model:

```

timing () {
    timing_type : nochange_high_high | nochange_high_low |
                nochange_low_high | nochange_low_low ;
    related_pin : related_pinname;
    rise_constraint (template_name_id)
{
    /* constrained signal rising */

values (float, ..., float) ;
}
    fall_constraint (template_name_id)
{
    /*
constrained signal falling */
    values (float, ..., float) ;
}
}

```

Example

This is an example of a no-change timing check in a technology library using the CMOS nonlinear delay model:

```

library (the_lib) {
    delay_model : polynomial;
    k_process_nochange_rise : 1.0; /* no-
change scaling factors */
    k_process_nochange_fall : 1.0;
    k_volt_nochange_rise : 0.0;
    k_volt_nochange_fall : 0.0;
    k_temp_nochange_rise : 0.0;
    k_temp_nochange_fall : 0.0;
}

```

```

cell (the_cell) {
    pin(EN {
        timing () {
            timing_type : nochange_high_low;
            related_pin : CLK;
            rise_constraint (polynomial) { /* setup time
*/
                values (2.98);
            }
            fall_constraint (polynomial) { /* hold time
*/
                values (0.98);
            }
        }
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

11.15.3 In the CMOS Scalable Polynomial Delay Model

In the CMOS scalable polynomial delay model, specify setup time with `rise_constraint` and hold time with `fall_constraint`.

This is the syntax for the no-change timing check in the CMOS scalable polynomial delay model:

```

timing () {
    timing_type : nochange_high_high | nochange_high_low |
nochange_low_high | nochange_low_low;
    related_pin : related_pinname;
    rise_constraint (poly_template_name_id)
{
    /* constrained signal rising
*/
    orders(integer, integer) ;
    coefs(float, ..., float) ;

    variable_n_range(float, float) ;
}
    fall_constraint (poly_template_name_id)
{
    /* constrained signal falling */
    orders(integer, integer) ;

    coefs(float, ..., float) ;
    variable_n_range(float, float) ;
}
}

```

Example

This is an example of a technology library no-change timing check using the CMOS scalable polynomial delay model:

```
library (the_lib) {
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    k_process_nochange_rise : 1.0; /* no-
change scaling factors */
    k_process_nochange_fall : 1.0;
    k_volt_nochange_rise : 0.0;
    k_volt_nochange_fall : 0.0;
    k_temp_nochange_rise : 0.0;
    k_temp_nochange_fall : 0.0;
    ...
    cell (the_cell) {
        pin(EN {
            timing () {
                timing_type : nochange_high_low;
                related_pin : CLK;
                rise_constraint (poly_template) { /* setup time */

                    orders ("1, 1");
                    coefs ("0.2487 +0.0520 -
0.0268 -0.0053 " );
                    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
                    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
                }
                fall_constraint (poly_template) { /* hold time */

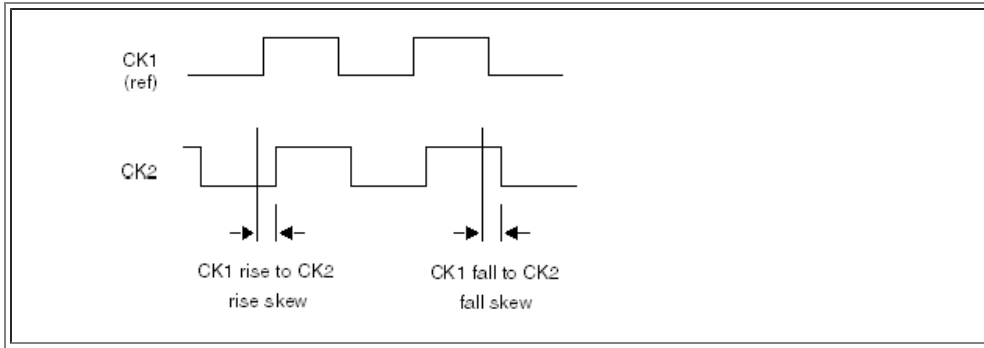
                    orders ("1, 1");
                    coefs ("0.2487 +0.0520 -
0.0268 -0.0053 " );
                    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
                    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
                }
            }
            ...
        }
        ...
    }
}
```

11.16 Setting Skew Constraints

The skew constraint defines the maximum separation time allowed between two clock signals.

Figure 11-18 is a timing diagram showing skew constraint.

Figure 11-18 Timing Diagram for Skew Constraint



The values you can assign to a `timing_type` attribute to define a skew constraint are

skew_rising

The timing constraint interval is measured from the rising edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin of the `timing` group.

skew_falling

The timing constraint interval is measured from the falling edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin of the `timing` group.

To set skew constraint,

1. Assign a value to the `timing_type` attribute.
2. Define only one of these attributes in the `timing` group:
 - `intrinsic_rise`
 - `intrinsic_fall`
3. Use the `related_pin` attribute in the `timing` group to specify a reference clock pin. Only the following attributes in a skew timing group are used (all others are ignored):
 - `timing_type`
 - `related_pin`
 - `intrinsic_rise`
 - `intrinsic_fall`

Example

This example shows how to model constraint CK1 rise to CK2 rise skew:

```
pin (CK2) {
    ....
    timing() {
        timing_type : skew_rising;
        related_pin : " CK1 ";
    }
}
```

```
        intrinsic_rise : 1.0 ;
    }
}
```

11.17 Setting Conditional Timing Constraints

A conditional timing constraint describes a check that is performed when a specified condition is met. You can specify conditional timing checks in `pin`, `bus`, and `bundle` groups.

Use the following attributes and groups to specify conditional timing checks.

Attributes:

- `when`
- `sdf_cond`
- `when_start`
- `sdf_cond_start`
- `when_end`
- `sdf_cond_end`
- `sdf_edges`

Groups:

- `min_pulse_width`
- `minimum_period`

11.17.1 *when* and *sdf_cond* Simple Attributes

The `when` attribute defines enabling conditions for timing checks such as setup, hold, and recovery.

If you define `when`, you must define `sdf_cond`.

Using the `when` and `sdf_cond` pair is a short way of specifying `when_start`, `sdf_cond_start`, `when_end`, and `sdf_cond_end` when the start condition is identical to the end condition.

[“Describing State-Dependent Delays”](#) describes the `sdf_cond` and `when` attributes in defining state-dependent timing arcs.

11.17.2 *when_start* Simple Attribute

In a timing group, `when_start` defines a timing check condition specific to a start event. The expression in this attribute contains any pin, including input, output, I/O, and internal pins. You must use real pin names. Bus and bundle names are not allowed.

Syntax

```
when_start : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A Boolean expression containing the names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
when_start : "SIG_A"; /*SIG_A must be a declared pin */
```

The `when_start` attribute requires an `sdf_cond_start` attribute in the same timing group.

The end condition is considered always true if a timing group contains `when_start` but no `when_end`.

11.17.3 sdf_cond_start Simple Attribute

In a timing group, `sdf_cond_start` defines a timing check condition specific to a start event in OVI SDF 2.1 syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond_start : "SDF expression" ;
```

SDF expression

An SDF expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
sdf_cond_start : "SIG_A";
```

The `sdf_cond_start` attribute requires a `when_start` attribute in the same timing group.

The end condition is considered always true if a timing group contains `sdf_cond_start` but no `sdf_cond_end`.

11.17.4 when_end Simple Attribute

In a timing group, `when_end` defines a timing check condition specific to an end event. The expression in this attribute contains any pin, including input, output, I/O, and internal pins. Pins must use real pin names. Bus and bundle names are not allowed.

Syntax

```
when_end : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A Boolean expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
when_end : "CD * SD";
```

The `when_end` attribute requires an `sdf_cond_end` attribute in the same timing group.

The start condition is considered always true if a timing group contains `when_end` but no `when_start`.

11.17.5 *sdf_cond_end Simple Attribute*

In a timing group, `sdf_cond_end` defines a timing check condition specific to an end an in OVI SDF 2.1 syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond_end : "SDF expression" ;
```

SDF expression

An SDF expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
sdf_cond_end : "SIG_0 == 1'b1";
```

The `sdf_cond_end` attribute requires a `when_end` attribute in the same timing group.

The start condition is considered always true if a timing group contains `sdf_cond_end` but no `sdf_cond_start`.

11.17.6 *sdf_edges Simple Attribute*

The `sdf_edges` attribute defines edge-specific information for both the start pins and the end pins. Edge types can be `noedge`, `start_edge`, `end_edge`, or `both_edges`. The default is `noedge`.

Syntax

```
sdf_edges : sdf_edge_type;
```

sdf_edge_type

One of these four edge types: `noedge`, `start_edge`, `end_edge`, or `both_edges`. The default is `noedge`.

Example

```
sdf_edges : both_edges;
```

11.17.7 min_pulse_width Group

In a pin, bus, or bundle group, the min_pulse_width group models the enabling conditional minimum pulse width check. In the case of a pin, the timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin must be the same.

Syntax

```
pin() {
  ...
  min_pulse_width() {
    constraint_high : value ;
    constraint_low  : value ;
    when : "Boolean expression"
  ;
    /* enabling condition          */
    sdf_cond : "Boolean expression"
  ;
    /* in SDF syntax */
  }
}
```

Example

```
pin(A) {
  . . .
  min_pulse_width() {
    constraint_high : 3.0 ;
    constraint_low  : 3.5 ;
    when : "SE" ;
    sdf_cond : "SE == 1'B1" ;
  }
}
```

For an example that shows how to specify a lookup table with the timing_type attribute and min_pulse_width and minimum_period values, see [Example 11-11](#).

min_pulse_width Example

The following example shows the min_pulse_width group with the constraint_high and constraint_low attributes specified.

Example 11-10 min_pulse_width Example

```
min_pulse_width() {
  constraint_high : 3.0; /* min_pulse_width_high */
  constraint_low  : 3.5; /* min_pulse_width_low */
  when : "SE";
  sdf_cond : "SE == 1'B1";
}
```

constraint_high and constraint_low Simple Attributes

At least one of these attributes must be defined in the `min_pulse_width` group. The `constraint_high` attribute defines the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 1. The `constraint_low` attribute defines the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 0.

when and sdf_cond Simple Attributes

These attributes define the enabling condition for the timing check. Both attributes are required in the `min_pulse_width` group.

11.17.8 minimum_period Group

In a `pin`, `bus`, or `bundle` group, the `minimum_period` group models the enabling conditional minimum period check. In the case of a `pin`, the check is performed on the `pin` itself, so the related `pin` must be the same. The attributes in this group are `constraint`, `when`, and `sdf_cond`.

Syntax

```
minimum_period() {
    constraint : value ;
    when : "Boolean expression"
;
    sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;
}
```

For an example that shows how to specify a lookup table with the `timing_type` attribute and `min_pulse_width` and `minimum_period` values, see [Example 11-11](#).

minimum_period Example

```
minimum_period() {
    constraint : 9.5; /* min_period */
    when : "SE";
    sdf_cond : "SE == 1'B1";
}
```

constraint Simple Attribute

This required attribute defines the minimum clock period for the `pin`.

when and sdf_cond Simple Attributes

These attributes define the enabling condition for the timing check. Both attributes are required in the `minimum_period` group.

11.17.9 min_pulse_width and minimum_period Example

[Example 11-11](#) shows how to specify a lookup table with the `timing_type` attribute and `min_pulse_width` and `minimum_period` values. The `rise_constraint` group defines the rising pulse width constraint for `min_pulse_width`, and the `fall_constraint` group defines the falling pulse width constraint. For `minimum_period`, the `rise_constraint` group is used to model the period when the pulse is rising and the `fall_constraint` group is used to model the period when the pulse is falling. You can specify the `rise_constraint` group, the `fall_constraint` group, or both groups.

Example 11-11 A Library With `timing_type` Statements

```

library(sample) {

    technology (cmos) ;
    delay_model : table_lookup ;

    /* 2-D table template */
    lu_table_template ( mpw ) {
        variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition;
        /* You can replace the constrained_pin_transition value with
        related_pin_transition, but you cannot specify both values. */

        variable_2 :
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1("1, 2, 3");
        index_2("1, 2, 3");
    }

    /* 1-D table template */
    lu_table_template( f_ocap ) {
        variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1 (" 0.0000, 1.0000 ");
    }

    cell( test ) {
        area : 200.000000 ;
        dont_use : true ;
        dont_touch : true ;

        pin ( CK ) {
            direction : input;
            rise_capacitance : 0.00146468;
            fall_capacitance : 0.00145175;
            capacitance : 0.00146468;
            clock : true;
        }
    }
}

```

```

timing ( mpw_constraint) {
    related_pin : "CK";
    timing_type : min_pulse_width;
    related_output_pin : "Z";

    fall_constraint ( mpw) {
        index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3");
        index_2("0.1, 0.2");
        values( "0.10 0.11", \
            "0.12 0.13" \
            "0.14 0.15");
    }

    rise_constraint ( mpw) {
        index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3");
        index_2("0.1, 0.2");
        values( "0.10 0.11", \
            "0.12 0.13" \
            "0.14 0.15");
    }

timing ( mpw_constraint) {
    related_pin : "CK";
    timing_type : minimum_period;
    related_output_pin : "Z";

    fall_constraint ( mpw) {
        index_1("0.2, 0.4, 0.6");
        index_2("0.2, 0.4");
        values( "0.20 0.22", \
            "0.24 0.26" \
            "0.28 0.30");
    }

    rise_constraint ( mpw) {
        index_1("0.2, 0.4, 0.6");
        index_2("0.2, 0.4");
        values( "0.20 0.22", \
            "0.24 0.26" \
            "0.28 0.30");
    }
}
}
...

```

```

} /* end of arc */
} /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */

```

11.17.10 Using Conditional Attributes With No-Change Constraints

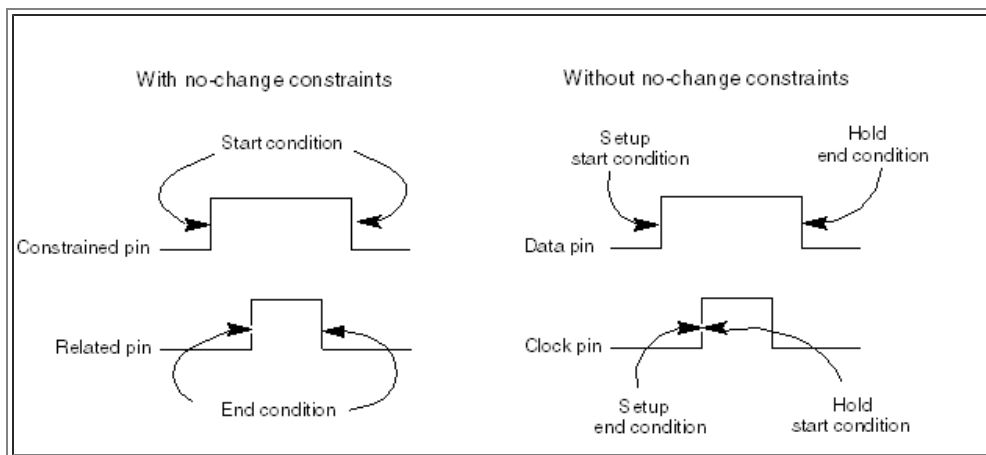
As shown in [Table 11-5](#), conditional timing check attributes have different interpretations when you use them with no-change timing constraints. See [“Setting No-Change Timing Constraints”](#) for a description of no-change timing constraint values.

Table 11-5 Conditional Timing Attributes With No-Change Constraints

Conditional attributes	With no-change constraints
when sdf_cond	Defines both the constrained and related signal-enabling conditions
when_start sdf_cond_start	Defines the constrained signal-enabling condition
when_end sdf_cond_end	Defines the related signal-enabling condition
sdf_edges : start_edge	Adds edge specification to the constrained signal
sdf_edges : end_edge	Adds edge specification to the related signal
sdf_edges : both_edges	Specifies edges to both signals
sdf_edges : noedges	Specifies edges to neither signal

[Figure 11-19](#) shows the different interpretation of setup and hold conditions when used with a no-change timing constraint.

Figure 11-19 Interpretation of Conditional Timing Constraints With No-Change Constraints



11.18 Timing Arc Restrictions

The following section describes timing arc limitations.

11.18.1 Impossible Transitions

The information in this section applies to the table lookup and all other delay models and only to combinational and three-state timing arcs. Certain output transitions cannot result from a single input change when `function`, `three_state`, and `x_function` share input.

In the following table, Y is the function of A, B, and C.

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	Z
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	X
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	Z
1	1	1	X

No isolated signal change on C can cause the 0-to-1 or 1-to-0 transitions on Y. Therefore, there is no combinational arc from C to Y, although the two are functionally related. Further, no isolated change on A causes the 1-to-Z or Z-to-1 transitions on Y.

`three_state_enable` has no rising value (Z to 1), and `three_state_disable` has no falling value (1 to Z).

11.19 Examples of Libraries Using Delay Models

This section contains examples of libraries using the following CMOS delay models: generic delay, piecewise linear delay, nonlinear delay, and scalable polynomial delay.

11.19.1 CMOS Generic Delay Model

In the CMOS D flip-flop description in [Example 11-12](#), pin D contains setup and hold constraints; pins Q and QN contain preset, clear, and edge-sensitive arcs.

Example 11-12 D Flip-Flop Description (CMOS Generic Delay Model)

```
library (example){
    date : "January 14, 2002";
    revision : 2000.01;
    delay_model : generic_cmos;
```

```

technology (cmos);
cell( DFLOP_CLR_PRE ) {
  area : 11 ;
  ff ( IQ , IQN ) {
    clocked_on : " CLK " ;
    next_state : " D " ;
    clear : " CLR' " ;
    preset : " PRE' " ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
  }
  pin ( D ){
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    timing () {
      related_pin : "CLK" ;
      timing_type : hold_rising;
      intrinsic_rise : 0.12;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.12 ;
    }
    timing (){
      related_pin : "CLK" ;
      timing_type : setup_rising ;
      intrinsic_rise : 2.77 ;
      intrinsic_fall : 2.77 ;
    }
  }
  pin ( CLK ){
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
  pin ( PRE ) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 2 ;
  }
  pin ( CLR ){
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 2 ;
  }
  pin ( Q ) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ" ;
    timing () {
      related_pin : "PRE" ;
      timing_type : preset ;
      timing_sense : negative_unate ;
      intrinsic_rise : 0.65 ;
      rise_resistance : 0.047 ;
      slope_rise : 1.0 ;
    }
  }
}

```


In the CMOS piecewise linear D flip-flop description in [Example 11-13](#), pin D contains setup and hold constraints; pins Q and QN contain preset, clear, and edge-sensitive arcs.

Example 11-13 D Flip-Flop Description (CMOS Piecewise Linear Delay Model)

```
library (example){
date : "January 14, 2002";
revision : 2000.01;
delay_model : piecewise_cmos;
technology (cmos);
piece_define("0,15,40");
cell( DFLOP_CLR_PRE ) {
    area : 11 ;
    ff ( IQ , IQN ) {
        clocked_on : " CLK " ;
        next_state : " D " ;
        clear : " CLR' " ;
        preset : " PRE' " ;
        clear_preset_var1 : L ;
        clear_preset_var2 : L ;
    }
    pin ( D ){
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1 ;
        timing () {
            related_pin : "CLK" ;
            timing_type : hold_rising;
            intrinsic_rise : 0.12;
            intrinsic_fall : 0.12 ;
        }
        timing (){
            related_pin : "CLK" ;
            timing_type : setup_rising ;
            intrinsic_rise : 2.77 ;
            intrinsic_fall : 2.77 ;
        }
    }
    pin ( CLK ){
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1 ;
    }
    pin ( PRE ) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 2 ;
    }
    pin ( CLR ){
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 2 ;
    }
}
```

```

pin ( Q ) {
  direction : output;
  function : "IQ" ;
  timing () {
    related_pin : "PRE" ;
    timing_type : preset ;
    timing_sense : positive_unate ;
    intrinsic_rise : 0.65 ;
    rise_delay_intercept (0,0.054); /* piece 0 */
    rise_delay_intercept (1,0.0); /* piece 1 */
    rise_delay_intercept (2,-0.062); /* piece 2 */
    rise_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
    rise_pin_resistance(1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
    rise_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
  }
  timing (){
    related_pin : "CLR" ;
    timing_type : clear ;
    timing_sense : negative_unate ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.45 ;
    fall_delay_intercept (0,1.0); /* piece 0 */
    fall_delay_intercept (1,0.0); /* piece 1 */
    fall_delay_intercept (2,-1.0); /* piece 2 */
    fall_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
    fall_pin_resistance (1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
    fall_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
  }
  timing (){
    related_pin : "CLK" ;
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    intrinsic_rise : 1.40 ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.91 ;
    rise_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
    rise_pin_resistance (1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
    rise_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
    fall_pin_resistance (0,0.15); /* piece 0 */
    fall_pin_resistance (1,0.40); /* piece 1 */
    fall_pin_resistance (2,0.90); /* piece 2 */
  }
}
pin ( QN ){
  direction : output ;
  function : "IQN" ;
  timing (){
    related_pin : "PRE" ;
    timing_type : clear ;
    timing_sense : negative_unate ;
    intrinsic_fall : 1.87 ;
    fall_delay_intercept (0,1.0); /* piece 0 */
    fall_delay_intercept (1,0.0); /* piece 1 */

```

```

        fall_delay_intercept (2,-1.0); /* piece 2 */
        fall_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
        fall_pin_resistance (1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
        fall_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
    }
    timing (){
        related_pin : "CLR" ;
        timing_type : preset ;
        timing_sense : positive_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise : 0.68 ;
        rise_delay_intercept (0,0.054); /* piece 0 */
        rise_delay_intercept (1,0.0); /* piece 1 */
        rise_delay_intercept (2,-0.062); /* piece 2 */
        rise_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
        rise_pin_resistance(1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
        rise_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
    }
    timing (){
        related_pin : "CLK" ;
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        intrinsic_rise : 2.37 ;
        intrinsic_fall : 2.51 ;
        rise_pin_resistance (0,0.25); /* piece 0 */
        rise_pin_resistance (1,0.50); /* piece 1 */
        rise_pin_resistance (2,1.00); /* piece 2 */
        fall_pin_resistance (0,0.15); /* piece 0 */
        fall_pin_resistance (1,0.40); /* piece 1 */
        fall_pin_resistance (2,0.90); /* piece 2 */
    }
}
}
}

```

11.19.3 CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model

In the nonlinear library description in [Example 11-14](#), pin D contains setup and hold constraints; pins Q and QN contain preset, clear, and edge-sensitive arcs.

Example 11-14 D Flip-Flop Description (CMOS Nonlinear Delay Model)

```

library (NLDM){
    date : "January 14, 2002";
    revision : 2000.01;
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    technology (cmos);
    /* Define template of size 2 x 2*/
    lu_table_template(cell_template) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1 ("0.0, 1.5");
    }
}

```

```

        index_2 ("0.0, 4.0");
    }
    /* Define one-dimensional lu_table of size 4 */
    lu_table_template(tran_template) {
        variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1 ("0.0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.0");
    }
    cell( DFLOP_CLR_PRE ) {
        area : 11 ;
        ff ( IQ , IQN ) {
            clocked_on : " CLK ";
            next_state : " D ";
            clear : " CLR' " ;
            preset : " PRE' " ;
            clear_preset_var1 : L ;
            clear_preset_var2 : L ;
        }
        pin ( D ){
            direction : input;
            capacitance : 1 ;
            timing () {
                related_pin : "CLK" ;
                timing_type : hold_rising;
                rise_constraint(scalar) {
                    values("0.12");
                }
                fall_constraint(scalar) {
                    values("0.29");
                }
            }
            timing (){
                related_pin : "CLK" ;
                timing_type : setup_rising ;
                rise_constraint(scalar) {
                    values("2.93");
                }
                fall_constraint(scalar) {
                    values("2.14");
                }
            }
        }
        pin ( CLK ){
            direction : input;
            capacitance : 1 ;
        }
        pin ( PRE ) {
            direction : input ;
            capacitance : 2 ;
        }
        pin ( CLR ){

```

```

    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 2 ;
}
pin ( Q ) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IQ" ;

    timing () {
        related_pin : "PRE" ;
        timing_type : preset ;
        timing_sense : negative_unate ;
        cell_rise(cell_template) {
            values("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28");
        }
        rise_transition(tran_template) {
            values("0.01, 0.12, 0.15, 0.40");
        }
    }
}
timing (){
    related_pin : "CLR" ;
    timing_type : clear ;
    timing_sense : positive_unate ;
    cell_fall(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.24", "0.15, 0.26");
    }
    fall_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.03, 0.15, 0.18, 0.38");
    }
}
timing (){
    related_pin : "CLK" ;
    timing_type : rising_edge;
    cell_rise(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.25", "0.11, 0.28");
    }
    rise_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.08, 0.15, 0.40");
    }
    cell_fall(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.33", "0.11, 0.38");
    }
    fall_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.11, 0.18, 0.40");
    }
}
}
pin ( QN ){
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing (){

```

```

        related_pin : "PRE" ;
        timing_type : clear ;
        timing_sense : positive_unate ;
        cell_fall(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28");
        }
        fall_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.12, 0.15, 0.40");
        }
    }
    timing (){
        related_pin : "CLR" ;
        timing_type : preset ;
        timing_sense : negative_unate ;
        cell_rise(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28");
        }
        rise_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.12, 0.15, 0.40");
        }
    }
    timing (){
        related_pin : "CLK" ;
        timing_type : rising_edge;
        cell_rise(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.25", "0.11, 0.28");
        }
        rise_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.08, 0.15, 0.40");
        }
        cell_fall(cell_template) {
        values("0.00, 0.33", "0.11, 0.38");
        }
        fall_transition(tran_template) {
        values("0.01, 0.11, 0.18, 0.40");
        }
    }
}
}
}

```

11.19.4 CMOS Scalable Polynomial Delay Model

In the scalable polynomial delay model in [Example 11-15](#), pin D contains setup and hold constraints; pins Q and QN contain preset, clear, and edge-sensitive arcs.

Example 11-15 D Flip-Flop Description (CMOS Scalable Polynomial Delay Model)

```

library (SPDM) {

```

```

technology (cmos);
date : "September 19, 2002" ;
revision : 2002.01 ;
delay_model : polynomial ;
/* Define template of 2D polynomial */
poly_template(cell_template) {
    variables(input_net_transition, total_output_net_capacitance)
;
    variable_1_range(0.0, 1.5) ;
    variable_2_range(0.0, 4.0) ;
}
/* Define template of 1D polynomial */
poly_template(tran_template) {
    variables(total_output_net_capacitance);
    variable_1_range(0.0, 2.0) ;
}
cell(DFLOP_CLR_PRE) {
area : 11;
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    clocked_on : "CLK" ;
    next_state : "D" ;
    clear : "CLR'" ;
    preset : "PRE'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
pin(D) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    timing () {
        related_pin : "CLK" ;
        timing_type : hold_rising ;
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values("0.12") ;
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values("0.29") ;
        }
    }
} /* end timing */
timing () {
    related_pin : "CLK" ;
    timing_type : setup_rising ;
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
        values("2.93") ;
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
        values("2.14") ;
    }
} /* end timing */
} /* end pin D */

```



```

pin(CLK) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1 ;
}
pin(PRE) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2 ;
}
pin(CLR) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 2 ;
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQ" ;
    timing () {
        related_pin : "PRE" ;
        timing_type : preset ;
        timing_sense : negative_unate ;
        cell_rise(cell_template) {
            orders("1, 1") ;
            coefs("0.1632, 3.0688, 0.0013, 0.0320") ;
            variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
            variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
        }
        rise_transition(tran_template) {
            orders("1");
            coefs("0.2191, 1.7580") ;
            variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
            variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
        }
    }
} /* end timing */
timing () {
    related_pin : "CLR" ;
    timing_type : clear ;
    timing_sense : positive_unate ;
    cell_fall(cell_template) {
        orders("1, 1") ;
        coefs("0.0542, 6.3294, 0.0214, -0.0310") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    fall_transition(tran_template) {
        orders("1") ;
        coefs("0.0652, 2.9232") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
} /* end timing */
timing () {

```

```

related_pin : "CLK" ;
timing_type : rising_edge ;
cell_rise(cell_template) {
    orders("1, 1") ;
    coefs("0.1687, 3.0627, 0.0194, 0.0155") ;
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
rise_transition(tran_template) {
    orders("1");
    coefs("0.2130, 1.7576") ;
}
cell_fall(cell_template) {
    orders("1, 1") ;
    coefs("0.0539, 6.3360, 0.0194, -0.0289") ;
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
fall_transition(tran_template) {
    orders("1");
    coefs("0.0647, 2.9220") ;
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
} /* end timing */
} /* end pin Q */
pin(QN) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing () {
        related_pin : "PRE" ;
        timing_type : clear ;
        timing_sense : positive_unate ;
        cell_fall(cell_template) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs("0.1605, 3.0639, 0.0325, 0.0104") ;
            variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
            variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
        }
        fall_transition(tran_template) {
            orders ("1") ;
            coefs("0.1955, 1.7535") ;
            variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
            variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
        }
    }
} /* end timing */
timing () {
    related_pin : "CLR" ;
    timing_type : preset ;
    timing_sense : negative_unate ;
}

```

```

cell_rise(cell_template) {
    orders ("1, 1") ;
    coefs("0.0540, 6.3849, 0.0211, -0.0720" );
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
rise_transition(tran_template) {
    orders ("1") ;
    coefs("0.0612, 2.9541") ;
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
} /* end timing */
timing () {
    related_pin : "CLK" ;
    timing_type : rising_edge ;
    cell_rise(cell_template) {
        orders ("1, 1") ;
        coefs ("0.2407, 3.1568, 0.0129, 0.0143") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    rise_transition(tran_template) {
        orders ("1") ;
        coefs ("0.3355, 1.7578") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    cell_fall(cell_template) {
        orders("1, 1") ;
        coefs("0.0742, 6.3452, 0.0260, -0.0938") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    fall_transition(tran_template) {
        orders ("1") ;
        coefs("0.0597, 2.9997") ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
} /* end timing */
} /* end pin QN */
} /* end library */

```

11.19.5 Clock Insertion Delay Example

```

library( vendor_a ) {
    /* 1. Use delay polynomial to mix both lookup table and
    polynomials*/

```

```

delay_model :polynomial;
/* 2. Define library-level one-
dimensional lu_table of size 4 */
lu_table_template(lu_template) {
    variable_1 :input_net_transition;
    index_1 ("0.0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.0");
}
/* 3. Define library-
level poly_template with only one variable*/
poly_template(poly_template) {
    variables(input_net_transition);
    variable_1_range (0.0, 2.0);
}
/* 4. Define a cell and pins within it which has clock tree
path*/
cell (general) {
    ...
    pin(clk) {
        direction:input;
        timing() {
            timing_type :max_clock_tree_path;
            timing_sense :positive_unate;
            cell_rise(lu_template) {
                values ("0.1, 0.15, 0.20, 0.29");
            }
            cell_fall(lu_template) {
                values ("0.2, 0.25, 0.30, 0.39");
            }
            rise_transition(poly_template) {
                orders("2");
                coefs("0.1, 0.2, 0.3");
            }
            fall_transition(poly_template) {
                orders("2");
                coefs("0.4, 0.5, 0.6");
            }
        }
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type :min_clock_tree_path;
        timing_sense :positive_unate;
        cell_rise(lu_template) {
            values ("0.2, 0.35, 0.40, 0.59");
        }
        cell_fall(lu_template) {
            values ("0.3, 0.45, 0.50, 0.69");
        }
        rise_transition(poly_template) {
            orders("2");
            coefs("0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
        }
    }
}

```

```

        fall_transition(poly_template) {
            orders("2");
            coefs("0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        }
    }
}
...
}

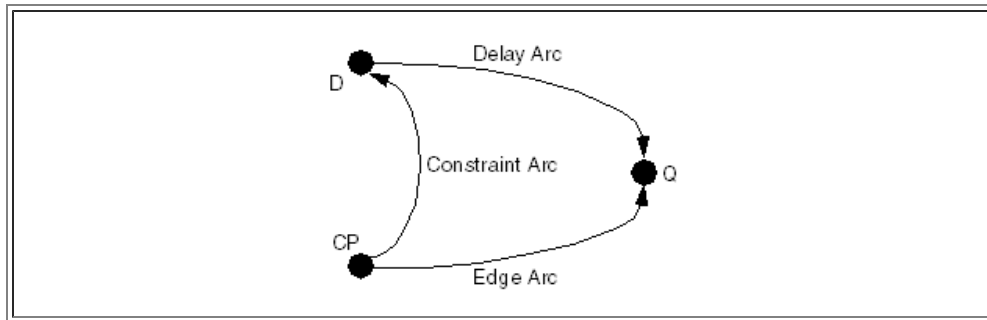
```

11.20 Describing a Transparent Latch Clock Model

The `tlatch` group lets you specify a functional latch when the latch arcs are absent. You use the `tlatch` group at the data pin level to specify the relationship between the data pin and the enable pin on a latch.

[Figure 11-20](#) shows a transparent latch timing model.

Figure 11-20 Transparent Latch Timing Model



Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        ...
        timing_model_type : value_enum ;
    }
}
....
pin (data_pin_name_string)
{
    tlatch (enable_pin_name_string){
        edge_type :
        value_enum ;
        tdisable : value_Boolean ;
    }
}
}
}

```

The `tlatch` name specifies the enable pin that defines the latch clock pin. You define

the `tlatch` group in a `pin` group, but it is only effective if you also define the `timing_model_type` attribute in the cell that the pin belongs to. The `timing_model_type` attribute can have the following values: `abstracted`, `extracted`, and `quick timing model`. A `tlatch` group is optional. You can define one or more `tlatch` groups for a pin, but you must not define more than two `tlatch` groups between the same pair of data and enable pins, one rising and one falling. Also, the data pin and the enable pin must be different.

Pins in the `tlatch` group can be input or inout pins or internal pins. When a `tlatch` group is not present, the latch clock pin is inferred based on the presence of:

- A `related_pin` statement in a timing group with either a `rising_edge` or `falling_edge` `timing_type` value within a latch output pin
- A `related_pin` statement in a timing group with a `setup`, `hold_rising`, or `falling` `timing_type` value within a latch input pin

The `edge_type` attribute defines whether the latch is positive (high) transparent or negative (low) transparent. The rising and falling `edge_type` values specify the opening edge, and therefore the transparent window of the latch, and completely define the latch to be level-high transparent or level-low transparent.

When a `tlatch` group is not present, transparency is inferred on an output pin based on the timing arc attribute and the presence of a latch functional construct on that pin.

The rising and falling `edge_type` attribute values explicitly define the transparency windows

- When the `rising_edge` and `falling_edge` `timing_type` values are missing
- When the `rising_edge` and `falling_edge` `timing_type` values are different from the latch transparency

The `tdisable` attribute disables transparency in a latch. During path propagation, all data pin output pin arcs that reference a `tlatch` group whose `tdisable` attribute is set to true on an edge triggered flip flop are disabled and ignored..

Example

```
pin (D) {
    tlatch (CP) {
        edge_type : rising ;
        tdisable : true ;
    }
}
pin (Q) {
    direction : output ;
    timing () {
        timing_)sense : positive_unate ;
        related_pin : D ;
        cell_rise ...
    }
    timing () {
        /* optional arc that can differ from edge_type
*/
        timing_type : falling_edge ;
    }
}
```

```

        related_pin : CP ;
        cell_fall ...
    }
}

```

11.21 Driver Waveform Support

In cell characterization, the shape of the waveform driving the characterized circuit can have a significant impact on the final results. Typically, the waveform is generated by a simple piecewise linear (PWL) waveform or an active-driver cell (a buffer or inverter).

Liberty supports driver waveform syntax, which specifies the type of waveform that is applied to library cells during characterization. The driver waveform syntax helps facilitate the characterization process for existing libraries and correlation checking. The driver waveform requirements can vary. Possible usage models include:

- Using a common driver waveform for all cells.
- Using a different driver waveform for different categories of cells.
- Using a pin-specific driver waveform for complex cell pins.
- Using a different driver waveform for rise and fall timing arcs.

Syntax

The driver waveform syntax is as follows:

```

library(library_name) {
    ...
    lu_table_template (waveform_template_name)
{
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: normalized_voltage;
    index_1 ("float..., float");
    index_2 ("float..., float");
}
normalized_driver_waveform(waveform_template_name)
{
    driver_waveform_name : string; /* Specifies the name of the
driver
        waveform table */
    index_1 ("float..., float"); /* Specifies input net transition
*/
    index_2 ("float..., float"); /* Specifies normalized voltage
*/
    values ( "float..., float", \ /* Specifies the time in library units
*/
        ..., \
            "float..., float");
}
...
cell (cell_name) {

```

```

...
driver_waveform : string;
driver_waveform_rise : string;
driver_waveform_fall : string;
pin (pin_name) {
    driver_waveform : string;
    driver_waveform_rise : string;
    driver_waveform_fall : string;
    ...
}
}
}/* end of library*/

```

In the driver waveform syntax, the first index value in the table specifies the input slew and the second index value specifies the voltage normalized to VDD. The values in the table specify the time in library units (not scaled) when the waveform crosses the corresponding voltages. The `driver_waveform_name` attribute specified for the driver waveform table differentiates the tables when multiple driver waveform tables are defined.

The cell-level `driver_waveform`, `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes meet cell-specific and rise- and fall-specific requirements. The attributes refer to the driver waveform table name predefined at the library level.

Similar to the cell-level driver waveform attributes, the pin group includes the `driver_waveform`, `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes to meet pin-specific predriver requirements for complex cell pins (such as macro cells). These attributes also refer to the predefined driver waveform table name.

11.21.1 Library-Level Tables, Attributes, and Variables

This section describes driver waveform tables, attributes, and variables that are specified at the library level.

normalized_voltage Variable

The `normalized_voltage` variable is specified under the `lu_table_template` table to describe a collection of waveforms with various input slew values. For a given input slew in `index_1` (for example, `index_1[0] = 1.0 ns`), the `index_2` values are a set of points that represent how the voltage rises from 0 to VDD in a rise arc, or from VDD to 0 in a fall arc.

Rise Arc Example

```

normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    index_1 ("1.0"); /* Specifies the input net transition*/
    index_2 ("0, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9, 1.0"); /* Specifies
        the voltage normalized to VDD */
}

```



```
    values ("0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 1.1"); /* Specifies the
time when the voltage reaches the index_2 values*/
}
```

The `lu_table_template` table represents an input slew of 1.0 ns, when the voltage is 0%, 10%, 30%, 50%, 70%, 90% or 100% of VDD, and the time values are 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 1.1 (ns). The time value can go beyond the corresponding input slew because a long tail might exist in the waveform before it reaches the final status.

normalized_driver_waveform Group

The library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group represents a collection of driver waveforms under various input slew values. The `index_1` specifies the input slew and `index_2` specifies the normalized voltage.

The slew index in the `normalized_driver_waveform` table is based on the slew derate and slew trip points of the library (global values). When applied on a pin or cell with different slew or slew derate, the new slew should be interpreted from the waveform.

driver_waveform_name Attribute

The `driver_waveform_name` string attribute differentiates the driver waveform table from other driver waveform tables when multiple tables are defined. Cell-specific, rise-specific, and fall-specific driver waveform usage modeling depend on this attribute.

The `driver_waveform_name` attribute is optional. You can define a driver waveform table without the attribute, but there can be only one table in a library, and that table is regarded as the default driver waveform table for all cells in the library. If more than one table is defined without the attribute, the last table is used. The other tables are ignored and not stored in the library database file.

11.21.2 Cell-Level Attributes

This section describes driver waveform attributes defined at the cell level.

driver_waveform Attribute

The `driver_waveform` attribute is an optional string attribute that allows you to define a cell-specific driver waveform. The value must be the `driver_waveform_name` predefined in the `normalized_driver_waveform` table.

When the attribute is defined, the cell uses the specified driver waveform during characterization. When it is not specified, the common driver waveform (the `normalized_driver_waveform` table without the `driver_waveform_name` attribute) is used for the cell.

driver_waveform_rise and driver_waveform_fall Attributes

The `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` string attributes are similar to the `driver_waveform` attribute. These two attributes allow you to define rise-specific and fall-specific driver waveforms. The `driver_waveform` attribute can coexist with the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes, though the `driver_waveform` attribute becomes redundant.

You should specify a driver waveform for a cell by using the following priority:

1. Use the `driver_waveform_rise` for a rise arc and the `driver_waveform_fall` for a fall arc during characterization. If they are not defined, specify the second and third priority driver waveforms.
2. Use the cell-specific driver waveform (defined by the `driver_waveform` attribute).
3. Use the library-level default driver waveform (defined by the `normalized_driver_waveform` table without the `driver_waveform_name` attribute).

The `driver_waveform_rise` attribute can refer to a `normalized_driver_waveform` that is either rising or falling. You can invert the waveform automatically during runtime if necessary.

11.21.3 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes driver waveform attributes defined at the pin level.

`driver_waveform` Attribute

The `driver_waveform` attribute is the same as the `driver_waveform` attribute specified at the cell level. For more information, see [“driver_waveform Attribute”](#).

`driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` Attributes

The `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes are the same as the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes specified at the cell level. For more information, see [“driver_waveform_rise and driver_waveform_fall Attributes”](#).

11.21.4 Driver Waveform Example

```
library(test_library) {

    lu_table_template(waveform_template) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        variable_2 : normalized_voltage;
        index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }

    /* Specifies the default library-
level driver waveform table (the
default
        driver waveform without the driver_waveform attribute)
*/
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09",
\
```

```

        "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19",
\
        ... ..
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }
    /* Specifies the driver waveform for the clock pin */
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : clock_driver;
        index_1 ("0.15, 0.25, 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, 0.75");
        index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
        values ("0.012, 0.03, 0.045, 0.06, 0.075, 0.090, 0.105, 0.13,
0.145", \
        ... ..
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }
    /* Specifies the driver waveform for the bus */
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : bus_driver;
        index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        index_2 ("0.15, 0.25, 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, 0.75, 0.85,
0.95");
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09",
\
        "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19",
\
        ... ..
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }
    /* Specifies the driver waveform for the rise */
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : rise_driver;
        index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        index_2 ("0.15, 0.25, 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, 0.75, 0.85,
0.95");
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09",
\
        "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19",
\
        ... ..
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }
    /* Specifies the driver waveform for the fall */
    normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
        driver_waveform_name : fall_driver;

```

```

        index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");
        index_2 ("0.15, 0.25, 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65, 0.75, 0.85,
0.95");
        values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09",
\
                "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19",
\
                ... ..
                "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    }
    ...
    cell (my_cell1) {
        driver_waveform : clock_driver;
        ...
    }
    cell (my_cell2) {
        driver_waveform : bus_driver;
        ...
    }
    cell (my_cell3) {
        driver_waveform_rise : rise_driver;
        driver_waveform_fall : fall_driver;
        ...
    }
    cell (my_cell4) {
        /* No driver_waveform attribute is specified. Use the default driver
        waveform */
        ...
    }
} /* End library */

```

11.22 Sensitization Support

Timing information specified in libraries results from circuit simulator (library characterization) tools. The models themselves often represent only a partial record of how a particular arc was sensitized during characterization. To fully reproduce the conditions that allowed the model to be generated, the states of all the input pins on the cell must be known.

In composite current source (CCS) models, the accuracy requirements are very high (the expectation is as high as 2 percent compared to SPICE). To achieve this level of accuracy, correlation with SPICE requires that the cell conditions be represented exactly as during characterization. For more information about CCS models, see [Chapter 12, “Composite Current Source Modeling.”](#)

The following sections describe the pin sensitization condition information details used to characterize the timing data. The syntax predeclares state vectors as reusable sensitization patterns in the library. The patterns are referenced and instantiated as stimuli waveforms specific to timing arcs. The same sensitization pattern can be

referenced by multiple cells or multiple timing arcs. One cell can also reference multiple sensitization patterns, which saves storage resources. The Liberty attributes and groups highlighted in the following sections help to specify the sensitization information of timing arcs during simulation and characterization.

11.22.1 sensitization Group

The `sensitization` group defined at the library level describes the complete state patterns for a specific list of pins (defined by the `pin_names` attribute) that is referenced and instantiated as stimuli in the timing arc.

Vector attributes in the group define all possible pin states used as stimuli. Actual stimulus waveforms can be described by a combination of these vectors. Multiple sensitization groups are allowed in a library. Each sensitization group can be referenced by multiple cells, and each cell can make reference to multiple sensitization groups.

The following attributes are library-level attributes under the `sensitization` group.

pin_names Attribute

The `pin_names` complex attribute defines a list of pin names. All vectors in this sensitization group are the exhaustive list of all possible transitions of the input pins and their subsequent output response.

The `pin_names` attribute is required, and it must be declared in the `sensitization` group before all `vector` declarations.

vector Attribute

Similar to the `pin_names` attribute, the `vector` attribute describes a transition pattern for the specified pins. The stimulus is described by an ordered list of vectors.

The two arguments for the `vector` attribute are as follows:

vector id

The `vector id` argument is an identifier to the vector string. The `vector id` value must be an integer greater than or equal to zero and unique among all vectors in the current `sensitization` group.

vector string

The `vector string` argument represents a pin transition state. The string consists of the following transition status values: 0, 1, X, and Z where each character is separated by a space. The number of elements in the vector string must equal the number of arguments in `pin_names`.

The `vector` attribute can also be declared as:

```
vector (positive_integer, "[0|1|X|Z] [0|1|X|Z]...");
```

Example

```
sensitization(sensitization_nand2) {  
    pin_names ( IN1, IN2, OUT1 );
```

```
vector ( 1, "0 0 1" );  
vector ( 2, "0 1 1" );  
vector ( 3, "1 0 1" );  
vector ( 4, "1 1 0" );
```

11.22.2 Cell-Level Attributes

Generally, one cell references one `sensitization` group for cells. A cell-level attribute that can link the cell with a specific `sensitization` group helps to simplify sensitization usage. The following cell-level attributes ensure that `sensitization` groups can be referenced by cells with similar functionality but can have different pin names.

`sensitization_master` Attribute

The `sensitization_master` attribute defines the sensitization group referenced by the cell to generate stimuli for characterization. The attribute is required if the cell contains sensitization information. Its string value should be any `sensitization` group name predefined in the current library.

`pin_name_map` Attribute

The `pin_name_map` attribute defines the pin names that are used to generate stimuli from the `sensitization` group for all timing arcs in the cell. The `pin_name_map` attribute is optional when the pin names in the cell are the same as the pin names in the sensitization master, but it is required when they are different.

If the `pin_name_map` attribute is set, the number of pins must be the same as that in the sensitization master, and all pin names should be legal pin names in the cell.

11.22.3 timing Group Attributes

This section describes the `sensitization_master` and `pin_name_map` timing-arc attributes. These attributes enable a complex cell (a macro in most cases) to refer to multiple `sensitization` groups. You can also specify a sampling vector and user-defined time intervals between vectors. The `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes, which describe characterization stimuli (instantiated in pin timing arcs), are also discussed in this section.

`sensitization_master` Attribute

The `sensitization_master` simple attribute defines the `sensitization` group specific to the current timing group to generate stimulus for characterization. The attribute is optional when the sensitization master used for the timing arc is the same as that defined in the current cell, and it is required when they are different. Any `sensitization` group name predefined in the current library is a valid attribute value.

`pin_name_map` Attribute

Similar to the `pin_name_map` attribute defined in the cell level, the timing-arc `pin_name_map` attribute defines pin names used to generate stimulus for the current timing arc. The attribute is optional when `pin_name_map` pin names are the same as the following (listed in order of priority):

1. Pin names in the `sensitization_master` of the current timing arc.
2. Pin names in the `pin_name_map` attribute of the current cell group.
3. Pin names in the `sensitization_master` of the current cell group.

The `pin_name_map` attribute is required when `pin_name_map` pin names are different from all of the pin names in the previous list.

wave_rise and wave_fall Attributes

The `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes represent the two stimuli used in characterization. The value for both attributes is a list of integer values, and each value is a vector ID predefined in the library sensitization group. The following example describes the `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes:

```

wave_rise (vector_id[m]..., vector_id[n]);
wave_fall (vector_id[j]..., vector_id[k]);

```

Example

```

library(my_library) {
...
sensitization(sensi_2in_1out) {
    pin_names (IN1, IN2, OUT);
    vector (0, "0 0 0");
    vector (1, "0 0 1");
    vector (2, "0 1 0");
    vector (3, "0 1 1");
    vector (4, "1 0 0");
    vector (5, "1 0 1");
    vector (6, "1 1 0");
    vector (7, "1 1 1");
}
cell (my_nand2) {
    sensitization_master : sensi_2in_1out;
    pin_name_map (A, B, Z);      /* these are pin names for the sensitization
in this
        cell. */
...
pin(A) {
...
}
Pin(B) {
...
}
pin(Z) {
...
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        wave_rise (6, 3); /* 6, 3 - vector id in sensi_2in_1out

```

sensitization group. Waveform interpretation of the `wave_rise` is (for

```

"A, B, Z" pins): 10 1 01 */
    wave_fall (3, 6);
    ...
}
timing() {
    related_pin : "B";
    wave_rise (7, 4); /* 7, 4 - vector id in sensi_2in_1out

sensitization
    group. */
    wave_fall (4, 7);
    ...
}
} /* end pin(Z)*/
} /* end cell(my_nand2) */
...
} /* end library */

```

wave_rise_sampling_index and wave_fall_sampling_index Attributes

The `wave_rise_sampling_index` and `wave_fall_sampling_index` simple attributes override the default behavior of the `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes. (The `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes select the first and the last vectors to define the sensitization patterns of the input to the output pin transition that are predefined inside the sensitization template specified at the library level).

Example

```

wave_rise (2, 5, 7, 6); /* wave_rise ( wave_rise[0],
wave_rise[1], wave_rise[2], wave_rise[3] );*/

```

In the previous example, the wave rise vector delay is measured from the last transition (vector 7 changing to vector 6) to the output transition. The default `wave_rise_sampling_index` value is the last entry in the vector, which is 3 in this case (because the numbering begins at 0).

To override this default, set the `wave_rise_sampling_index` attribute, as shown:

```

wave_rise_sampling_index : 2 ;

```

When you specify this attribute, the delay is measured from the second last transition of the sensitization vector to the final output transition, in other words from the transition of vector 5 to vector 7.

Note:

You cannot specify a value of 0 for the `wave_rise_sampling_index` attribute.

wave_rise_time_interval and wave_fall_time_interval Attributes

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` attributes control

the time interval between transitions. By default, the stimuli (specified in `wave_rise` and `wave_fall`) are widely spaced apart during characterization (for example, 10 ns from one vector to the next) to allow all output transitions to stabilize. The attributes allow you to specify a short duration between one vector to the next to characterize special purpose cells and pessimistic timing characterization.

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` attributes are optional when the default time interval is used for all transitions, and they are required when you need to define special time intervals between transitions. Usually, the special time interval is smaller than the default time interval.

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` attributes can have an argument count from 1 to $n-1$, where n is the number of arguments in corresponding `wave_rise` or `wave_fall`. Use 0 to imply the default time interval used between vectors.

Example

```
wave_rise (2, 5, 7, 6); /* wave_rise ( wave_rise[0],
wave_rise[1], wave_rise[2], wave_rise[3] );*/
wave_rise_time_interval (0.0, 0.3);
```

The previous example suggests the following:

- Use the default time interval between `wave_rise[0]` and `wave_rise[1]` (in other words, vector 2 and vector 5).
- Use 0.3 between `wave_rise[1]` and `wave_rise[2]` (in other words, vector 5 and vector 7).
- Use the default time interval between `wave_rise[2]` and `wave_rise[3]` in other words, vector 7 and vector 6).

11.22.4 timing Group Syntax

```
library(library_name) {
    ...
    sensitization (sensitization_group_name) {
        pin_names (string..., string);
        vector (integer, string);
        ...
        vector (integer, string);
    }
    ...

    cell(cell_name) {
        sensitization_master : sensitization_group_name;
        pin_name_map (string..., string);
        ...
        pin(pin_name) {
            ...
            timing() {
```

```

    related_pin : string;
    sensitization_master : sensitization_group_name;
    pin_name_map (string,..., string);
    wave_rise (integer,..., integer);
    wave_fall (integer,..., integer);
    wave_rise_sampling_index : integer;
    wave_fall_sampling_index : integer;
    wave_rise_timing_interval (float..., float);
    wave_fall_timing_interval (float..., float);
    ...
  }/*end of timing */
}/*end of pin */
  }/*end of cell */
  ...
}/* end of library*/

```

11.22.5 NAND Cell Example

```

library(cell1) {
  sensitization(sensitization_nand2) {
    pin_names ( IN1, IN2, OUT1 );
    vector ( 1, "0 0 1" );
    vector ( 2, "0 1 1" );
    vector ( 3, "1 0 1" );
    vector ( 4, "1 1 0" );
  }

  cell (nand2) {
    sensitization_master : sensitization_nand2;
    pin_name_map (A, B, Y);
    pin (A) {
      direction : input ;
      ...
    }
    pin (B) {
      direction : input ;
      ...
    }
    pin (Y) {
      direction : output;
      ...
      timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        wave_rise ( 4, 2 ); /* 10 1 01 */
        wave_fall ( 2, 4 ); /* 01 1 10 */
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

```

        timing() {
related_pin : "B";
timing_sense : negative_unate;
wave_rise ( 4, 3 );
wave_fall ( 3, 4 );
...
}
} /* end pin(Y) */
} /* end cell(nand2) */
} /* end library */

```

11.22.6 Complex Macro Cell Example

```

library(cell1) {
  sensitization(sensitization_2in_1out) {
pin_names ( IN1, IN2, OUT );
vector ( 1, "0 0 1" );
vector ( 2, "0 1 1" );
vector ( 3, "1 0 1" );
vector ( 4, "1 1 0" );
}

  sensitization(sensitization_3in_1out) {
pin_names ( IN1, IN2, IN3, OUT );
vector ( 0, "0 0 0 0" );
vector ( 1, "0 0 0 1" );
vector ( 2, "0 0 1 0" );
vector ( 3, "0 0 1 1" );
vector ( 4, "0 1 0 0" );
vector ( 5, "0 1 0 1" );
vector ( 6, "0 1 1 0" );
vector ( 7, "0 1 1 1" );
vector ( 8, "1 0 0 0" );
vector ( 9, "1 0 0 1" );
vector ( 10, "1 0 1 0" );
vector ( 11, "1 0 1 1" );
vector ( 12, "1 1 0 0" );
vector ( 13, "1 1 0 1" );
vector ( 14, "1 1 1 0" );
vector ( 15, "1 1 1 1" );
}

  cell (nand2) {
sensitization_master : sensitization_2in_1out;
pin_name_map (A, B, Y);
pin (A) {
direction : input ;
...
}
}
}

```

```

}
pin (B) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin (CIN0) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin (CIN1) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin (CK) {
    direction : input;
    ...
}
pin (Y) {
    direction : output;
    ...
    timing() {
        related_pin : "A";
        /* inherit sensitization_master & pin_name_map from cell level
*/
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        wave_rise ( 4, 2 );
        wave_fall ( 2, 4 );
        ...
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin : "B";
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        wave_rise ( 4, 3 );
        wave_fall ( 3, 4 );
        ...
    }
} /* end pin(Y) */
pin (Z) {
    direction : output;
    ...
    timing () {
        related_pin : "CK";
        sensitization_master : sensitization_3in_1out; /* timing
arc
specific sensitization master, overwrite the cell level attribute.
*/
        pin_name_map (CIN0, CIN1, CK, Z); /* timing arc
specific
pin_name_map, overwrite the cell level attribute. */
        wave_rise (14, 4, 0, 3, 10, 5); /* the waveform describe here

```

```

has
  no real meaning, just select random vector id in
sensitization
sensitization_3in_1out group. */
  wave_fall (15, 9, 3, 1, 6, 7);
  wave_rise_sampling_index : 3; /* sampling index, specific for

this
  timing arc. */
  wave_fall_sampling_index : 3;
  wave_rise_timing_interval(0, 0.3, 0.3); /* special
timing
  interval, specific for this timing arc. */

  wave_fall_timing_interval(0, 0.3, 0.3);
}
} /* end pin (Z) */
} /* end cell(nand2) */
} /* end library */

```

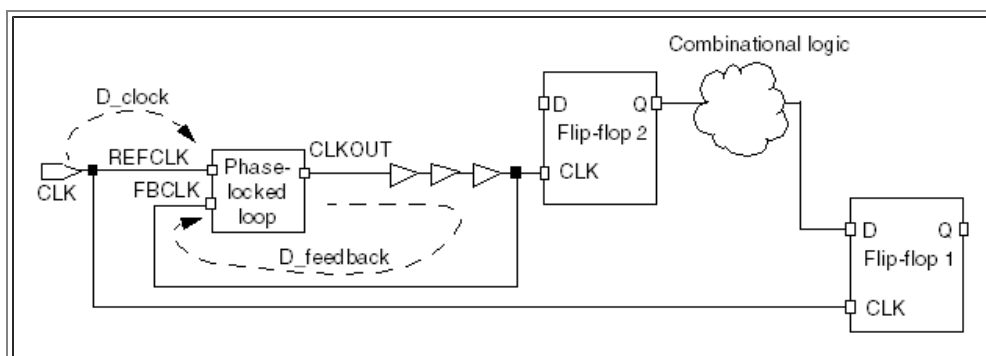
11.23 Phase-Locked Loop Support

A phase-locked loop (PLL) is a feedback control system that automatically adjusts the phase of a locally-generated signal to match the phase of an input signal. Phase-locked loops contain the following pins:

- The reference clock pin where the reference clock is connected
- The phase-locked loop output clock pin where the phase-locked loop generates a phase-shifted version of the reference clock
- The feedback pin where the feedback path from the output of the clock ends

[Figure 11-21](#) shows a circuit with a phase-locked loop. Without the phase-locked loop block, there is a large clock skew in the clocks arriving at the launch point and at the flip-flops. This large skew results in an extremely tight delay constraint for the combinational logic. A phase-locked loop reduces the large skew between the launch point and the flip-flops.

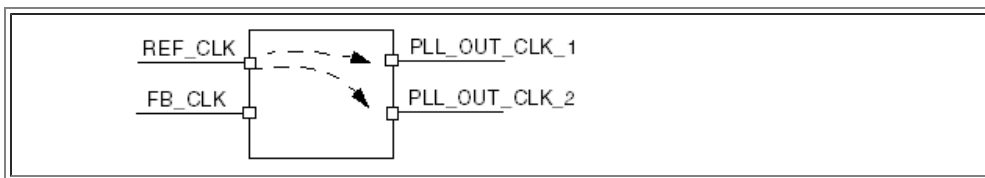
Figure 11-21 Phase-Locked Loop Circuit



The phase-locked loop generates a phase-shifted version of the reference clock at the output pin so that the phase of the feedback clock matches the phase of the reference clock. If the clock arrives at the reference pin of the phase-locked loop at the time, D_{clock} , and the delay of the feedback path is D_{feedback} , the source latency of the clock generated at the output of the phase-locked loop is $D_{\text{clock}} - D_{\text{feedback}}$. The clock arrives at the feedback pin at time, D_{clock} , which is the same as the time the clock arrives at the reference pin. Therefore, the phase-locked loop eliminates the latency on the launch path and relaxes the delay constraint on the combinational logic.

[Figure 11-22](#) shows a simple phase-locked loop model. The phase-locked loop information that a library should contain are pins and timing arcs inside the phase-locked loop. The forward arcs from REF_CLK to PLL_OUT_CLK_* in the figure simulate the phase shift behavior of the phase-locked loop. There are two half-unate arcs from the reference clock to each output of the phase-locked loop.

Figure 11-22 Simple Phase-Locked Loop Model



11.23.1 Phase-Locked Loop Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {
  is_pll_cell : true;
  pin (ref_pin_name) {
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
  pin (feedback_pin_name) {
    is_pll_feedback_pin : true;
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
  pin (output_pin_name) {
    is_pll_output_pin : true;
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
}
```

11.23.2 Cell-Level Attribute

This section describes a cell-level attribute.

is_pll_cell Attribute

The `is_pll_cell` Boolean attribute identifies a phase-locked loop cell.

11.23.3 Pin-Level Attributes

This section describes pin-level attributes.

is_pll_reference_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_reference_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as a reference pin on the phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_reference_pin` attribute should be set to true in only one input pin group.

is_pll_feedback_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_feedback_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as a feedback pin on a phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_feedback_pin` attribute should be set to true in only one input pin group.

is_pll_output_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_output_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as an output pin on a phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_output_pin` attribute should be set to true in one or more output pin groups.

11.23.4 Phase-Locked Loop Example

```
cell(my_pll) {
  is_pll_cell : true;

  pin( REFCLK ) {
    direction : input;
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;
  }

  pin( FBKCLK ) {
    direction : input;
    is_pll_feedback_pin : true;
  }

  pin (OUTCLK_1x) {
    direction : output;
    is_pll_output_pin : true;
    timing() { /* Timing Arc */
      related_pin: "REFCLK";
      timing_type: combinational_rise;
      timing_sense: positive_unate;
      ...
    }
    timing() { /* Timing Arc */
      related_pin: "REFCLK";
      timing_type: combinational_fall;
      timing_sense: positive_unate;
      ...
    }
  }

  pin (OUTCLK_2x) {
```

```
direction : output;
is_pll_output_pin : true;
timing() { /* Timing Arc */
  related_pin: "REFCLK";
  timing_type: combinational_rise;
  timing_sense: positive_unate;
  . . .
}
timing() { /* Timing Arc */
  related_pin: "REFCLK";
  timing_type: combinational_fall;
  timing_sense: positive_unate;
  . . .
}
} /* End pin group */
} /* End cell group */
```


12. Composite Current Source Modeling

This chapter provides an overview of composite current source modeling (CCS). It covers the syntax for CCS modeling in the following sections:

- [Modeling Cells With Composite Current Source Information](#)
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12.1 Modeling Cells With Composite Current Source Information

Existing driver models can deliver acceptable accuracy when output waveforms are mostly linear and interconnect resistance is low. However, as integrated circuit technology advances to nanometer geometries, waveforms can become highly nonlinear and interconnect delay can become a concern. At the same time, faster circuit speeds require more accurate delay calculation.

Composite current source modeling supports additional driver model complexity by using a time- and voltage- dependent current source with essentially an infinite drive resistance. The new driver model achieves high accuracy by not modeling the transistor behavior. Instead, it maps the arbitrary transistor behavior for lumped loads to that for an arbitrary detailed parasitic network.

The composite current source model improves the receiver model accuracy because the input capacitance of a receiver is dynamically adjusted during the transition by using two capacitance values. The driver model can be used with or without the receiver model.

12.2 Representing Composite Current Source Driver Information

In the Liberty syntax, using the composite current source model, you can represent nonlinear delay information at the pin level by specifying a current lookup table at the timing group level that is dependent upon input slew and output load.

12.2.1 Composite Current Source Lookup Tables

You can represent composite current source driver models in your libraries by using lookup tables. To define your lookup tables, use the following groups and attributes:

- `output_current_template` group in the `library` group level
- `output_current_rise` and `output_current_fall` groups in the `timing` group level

12.2.2 Defining the `output_current_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple current vectors can use. A table template specifies the composite current source driver model and the breakpoints for the axis. Specifying `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` values at the library level is optional.

`output_current_template` Syntax

```
library(name_id)
{
  ...
  output_current_template(template_name_id)
  {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3: time;
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Template Variables for CCS Driver Models

The table template specifying composite current source driver models can have three variables: `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`. The valid values for `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`. The only valid value for `variable_3` is `time`.

`output_current_template` Example

```
library (new_lib) {
  ...
  output_current_template (CCT) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3: time;
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

12.2.3 Defining the Lookup Table Output Current Groups

To specify the output current for the nonlinear table model, use the `output_current_rise` and `output_current_fall` groups within the `timing` group.

`output_current_rise` Syntax

```
timing() {
  output_current_rise () {
```

```

        vector (template_name;id){
            reference_time : float;
            index_1 (float);
            index_2 (float);
            index_3 ("float,..., float");
            values("float,..., float");
        }
    }
}

```

12.2.4 vector Group

Define the `vector` group in the `output_current_rise` or `output_current_fall` group. This group stores current information for a particular input slew and output load.

reference_time Simple Attribute

Define the `reference_time` simple attribute in the `vector` group. The `reference_time` attribute represents the time at which the input waveform crosses the rising or falling input delay threshold.

Template Variables for CCS Driver Models

The table template specifying composite current source driver models can have three variables: `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`. The valid values for `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`. The only valid value for `variable_3` is `time`.

The index value for `input_net_transition` or `total_output_net_capacitance` is a single floating-point number. The index values for `time` are a list of floating-point numbers.

The `values` attribute defines a list of floating-point numbers that represent the current values of the driver model.

vector Group Example

```

library (new_lib) {
...
    output_current_template (CCT) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_3: time;
    }
...
    timing() {
        output_current_rise() {
            vector(CCT) {
                reference_time : 0.05;
                index_1(0.1);
                index_2(2.1);
                index_3("1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0");
                values("1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.3, 1.5");
            }
...

```

```

    }
}
output_current_fall() {
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.05;
        index_1(0.1);
        index_2(2.1);
        index_3("1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0");
        values("1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.3, 1.5");
        ...
    }
}
}
}
}

```

12.3 Mode and Conditional Timing Support for Pin-Level CCS Receiver Models

Liberty supports conditional data modeling in pin-based CCS timing receiver models. The `mode` and `when` attributes are provided in the CCS timing receiver model groups to support this feature.

Liberty provides the following support:

- The `mode` and `when` attributes in timing arcs to allow conditional timing arcs and constraints.
- The `mode` and `when` attributes in pin-based expanded CCS timing models and receiver models.

12.3.1 Conditional Timing Support Syntax

Liberty provides the following syntax to support conditional data modeling for pin-based CCS timing receiver models.

Syntax

```

cell(cell_name) {
    mode_definition (mode_name) {
        mode_value(name_string) {
            when : "Boolean_expression";
            sdf_cond : "Boolean_expression";
        } ...
    } ...
    pin(pin_name) {
        direction : input; /* or "inout" */
        receiver_capacitance() {
            when : "Boolean_expression";
            mode (mode_name, mode_value);
            receiver_capacitance1_rise (lu_template_name) { ...

```

```

}
    receiver_capacitance1_fall (lu_template_name) { ...
}
    receiver_capacitance2_rise (lu_template_name) { ...
}
    receiver_capacitance2_fall (lu_template_name) { ...
}
}
}
pin(pin_name) {
    direction : output; /* or "inout" */
    timing() {
        when : "Boolean_expression";
        mode (mode_name, mode_value);
        ...
        receiver_capacitance() {
            receiver_capacitance1_rise (lu_template_name) { ...
}
            receiver_capacitance1_fall (lu_template_name) { ...
}
            receiver_capacitance2_rise (lu_template_name) { ...
}
            receiver_capacitance2_fall (lu_template_name) { ...
}
        }
    } ...
}
}

```

when Attribute

The `when` string attribute is provided in the pin-based `receiver_capacitance` group to support conditional data modeling.

mode Attribute

The complex `mode` attribute is provided in the pin-based `receiver_capacitance` group to support conditional data modeling. If the `mode` attribute is specified, `mode_name` and `mode_value` must be predefined in the `mode_definition` group at the cell level.

Conditional Timing Support Example

```

library(new_lib) {
    ...
    output_current_template(CCT) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_3: time;
        index_1("0.1, 0.2");
        index_2("1, 2");
    }
}

```

```

    index_3("1, 2, 3, 4, 5");
}
lu_table_template(LTT1) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
}
lu_table_template(LTT2) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2");
    index_2("1, 2");
}
...
cell(my_cell) {
    ...
    mode_definition(rw) {
        mode_value(read) {
            when : "I";
            sdf_cond : "I == 1";
        }
        mode_value(write) {
            when : "!I";
            sdf_cond : "I == 0";
        }
    }
    pin(I) { /* pin-
based receiver model defined for pin 'A' */
        direction : input;
        /* receiver capacitance for condition 1 */
        receiver_capacitance() {
            when : "I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
*/
            /* mode (rw, read); */
            receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
                values("1, 2, 3, 4");
            }
            receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
                values("1, 2, 3, 4");
            }
            receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
                values("1, 2, 3, 4");
            }
            receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
                values("1, 2, 3, 4");
            }
        }
        /* receiver capacitance for condition 2 */
        receiver_capacitance() {
            when : "!I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
*/

```

```

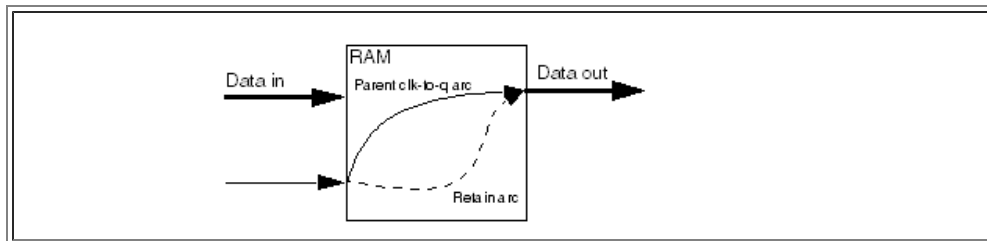
/* mode (rw, write); */
receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
values("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
values("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
values("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
values("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
}
}
pin (ZN) {
direction : input;
capacitance : 1.2;
...
timing() {
...
}
}
...
} /* end cell */
...
} /* end library */

```

12.4 CCS Retain Arc Support

A *retain delay* is the shortest delay among all parallel arcs, from the input port to the output port. *Access time* is the longest delay from the input port to the output port. The output value is uncertain and unstable in the time interval between the retain delay and the access time. A retain arc, as shown in [Figure 12-1](#), ensures that the output does not change during this time interval.

Figure 12-1 Retain Arc Example



Retain arcs:

- Guarantee that the output does not change for a certain time interval.
- Are usually defined for memory cells.

- Are not inferred as a timing check but are inferred as a delay arc.

Liberty syntax supports retain arcs in nonlinear delay models by providing the following timing groups:

- retaining_rise
- retaining_fall
- retain_rise_slew
- retain_fall_slew

12.4.1 CCS Retain Arc Syntax

The following syntax supports all CCS timing models, including expanded CCS timing models, compact CCS timing models, and variation-aware compact CCS timing models. Because retain arcs have no relation to receiver models, only syntax for CCS driver models is described as follows:

Syntax

```

library (library_namestring) {
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    ...
    output_current_template(template_namestring) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_3: time;
        index_1("float, ..., float"); /* optional at library level
*/
        index_2("float, ..., float"); /* optional at library
level*/
        index_3("float, ..., float"); /* optional at library
level*/
    }

    cell(namestring) {
        pin (namestring) {
            timing() {
                ccs_retain_rise() {
                    vector(template_namestring) {
                        reference_time : float;
                        index_1("float");
                        index_2("float");
                        index_3("float, ..., float");
                        values("float, ..., float");
                    }
                    vector(template_namestring) { . . . }
                }
                ...
            }
            ccs_retain_fall() {
                vector(template_namestring) {

```



```

        reference_time : float;
        index_1("float");
        index_2("float");
        index_3("float, ..., float");
        values("float, ..., float");
    }
    vector(template_namestring) { . . . }
...
    }
    output_current_rise() { ... }
    output_current_fall() { ... }
    }
}
}
. . .
}

```

The format of the expanded CCS retain arc group is the same as the general CCS timing arcs that are defined by using the `output_current_rise` and `output_current_fall` groups.

`ccs_retain_rise` and `ccs_retain_fall` Groups

The `ccs_retain_rise` and `ccs_retain_fall` groups are provided in the timing group for expanded CCS retain arcs.

vector Group

The current vector group in the `ccs_retain_rise` and `ccs_retain_fall` groups uses the lookup table template defined by `output_current_template`. The vector group has the following parameters:

- `input_net_transition`
- `total_output_net_capacitance`
- `time`

For every value pair (such as `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`), there is a specified `current(time)` vector.

`reference_time` Attribute

The `reference_time` simple attribute specifies the time that the input signal waveform crosses the rising or falling input delay threshold.

12.4.2 Compact CCS Retain Arc Syntax

The compact CCS retain arc format is the same as a general compact CCS timing arc. Liberty provides the following retain arc syntax to support compact CCS timing.

Syntax

```

library(my_lib) {
...
  base_curves (base_curves_name) {
    base_curve_type: enum (ccs_timing_half_curve);
    curve_x ("float..., float");
    curve_y (integer, "float..., float");
    curve_y (integer, "float..., float");
    ...
  }

  compact_lut_template(template_name) {
    base_curves_group: base_curves_name;
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3 : curve_parameters;
    index_1 ("float..., float");
    index_2 ("float..., float");
    index_3 ("string..., string");
  }
...

  cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    pin(pin_name) {
      direction : string;
      capacitance : float;
      timing() {
        compact_ccs_retain_rise (template_name) {
          base_curves_group : "base_curves_name";
          index_1 ("float..., float");
          index_2 ("float..., float");
          index_3 ("string..., string");
          values ("..."...)
        }
        compact_ccs_retain_fall (template_name) {
          base_curves_group : "base_curves_name";

          index_1 ("float..., float");

          index_2 ("float..., float");

          index_3 ("string..., string");
          values ("..."...)
        }
        compact_ccs_rise(template_name) { ... }
        compact_ccs_fall(template_name) { ... }
        . . .
      }/*end of timing */
    }
  }
}

```

```

        }/*end of pin */
    }/*end of cell */
    ...
}/* end of library*/

```

compact_ccs_retain_rise and compact_ccs_retain_fall Groups

The `compact_ccs_retain_rise` and `compact_ccs_retain_fall` groups are provided in the timing group for compact CCS retain arcs.

base_curves_group Attribute

The `base_curves_group` attribute is optional. The attribute is required when `base_curves_name` is different from that defined in the `compact_lut_template` template name.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Attributes

The values for the `index_1` and `index_2` attributes are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

The values for the `index_3` attribute must contain the following base curve parameters:

- `init_current`
- `peak_current`
- `peak_voltage`
- `peak_time`
- `left_id`
- `right_id`

values Attribute

The `values` attribute provides the compact CCS retain arc data values. The `left_id` and `right_id` values for compact CCS timing base curves should be integers, and they must be predefined in the `base_curves` group.

12.5 Representing Composite Current Source Receiver Information

Composite current source receiver modeling must be used in conjunction with composite current source driver modeling. This model improves the receiver model accuracy.

With source driver modeling, the capacitance is adjusted at the delay threshold. The capacitances used to model the receiver are dependent on input slew and output load.

12.5.1 Composite Current Source Lookup Table Model

Library information for composite current source receiver modeling can be defined

- At the pin level inside the `receiver_capacitance` group
- At the timing level by using the following groups:
`receiver_capacitancel_rise` `receiver_capacitancel_fall`

```
receiver_capacitance2_rise receiver_capacitance2_fall
```

Values for rise and fall can be defined at the pin or timing level. The pin-level definition does not depend on output capacitance and is useful when there are no forward timing arcs.

12.5.2 Defining the receiver_capacitance Group at the Pin Level

You can define a receiver_capacitance group at the pin level. Use the receiver_capacitance1_rise, receiver_capacitance1_fall, receiver_capacitance2_rise, and receiver_capacitance2_fall groups.

when Attribute

The when string attribute is provided in the pin-based receiver_capacitance group to support conditional data modeling.

mode Attribute

The complex mode attribute is provided in the pin-based receiver_capacitance group to support conditional data modeling. If the mode attribute is specified, mode_name and mode_value must be predefined in the mode_definition group at the cell level.

receiver_capacitance Group Example

```
cell(my_cell) {
  ...
  mode_definition(rw) {
    mode_value(read) {
      when : "I";
      sdf_cond : "I == 1";
    }
    mode_value(write) {
      when : "!I";
      sdf_cond : "I == 0";
    }
  }
  pin(I) { /* pin-
based receiver model defined for pin 'A' */
    direction : input;
    /* receiver capacitance for condition 1 */
    receiver_capacitance() {
      when : "I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
*/
      /* mode (rw, read); */
      receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
      }
      receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

        receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
    }
    /* receiver capacitance for condition 2 */
    receiver_capacitance() {
        when : "!I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
*/
        /* mode (rw, write); */
        receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
        }
    }
}
pin (ZN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.2;
    ...
    timing() {
        ...
    }
}
...
} /* end cell */
...
} /* end library */

```

12.5.3 Defining the `lu_table_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple lookup tables can use. A table template specifies the table parameters and the breakpoints for each axis. Assign each template a name so that lookup tables can refer to it.

`lu_table_template` Group

Define your lookup table templates in the `library` group.

lu_table_template Group Syntax

```
library(name_id)
{
...
  lu_table_template(template_name_id)
  {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    index_1 ("float,..., float");
    ...
  }
...
}
```

Pin-Level Template Variables

In the `pin` group, the table template specifying composite current source receiver models can have one variable: `variable_1`. The only valid value is `input_net_transition`.

The index values in the `index_1` attribute are a list of ascending floating-point numbers.

Pin-Level lu_table_template Example

```
...
  lu_table_template(LTT1) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
  }
```

12.5.4 Defining the Lookup Table *receiver_capacitance* Group

To specify the receiver capacitance for the nonlinear table model, use the `receiver_capacitance` group within the `pin` group.

Pin-Level receiver_capacitance Group Syntax

```
pin(name_id)
{
  direction: input; /* or "inout" */
  receiver_capacitance() {
    receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name_id)
    {
      index_1("float,..., float");
      /* optional */
      values("float,..., float");
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall(template_name_id)
    {
      index_1("float,..., float");
      /* optional */
      values("float,..., float");
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise(template_name_id)
  {
    index_1("float,..., float");
    /* optional */
    values("float,..., float");
  }
  receiver_capacitance2_fall(template_name_id)
  {
    index_1("float,..., float");
    /* optional */
    values("float,..., float");
  }
}
}

```

Pin-Level Template Variables

In the `pin` group, the table template specifying receiver characteristics can have one variable: `variable_1`. The only valid value is `input_net_transition`.

The `index` values in the `index_1` attribute are a list of ascending floating-point numbers.

The `values` attribute defines a list of floating-point numbers that represent the capacitance of the receiver model.

Pin-Level receiver_capacitance Example

```

pin(A) { /* pin-based receiver model*/

    direction : input;
    receiver_capacitance() {
        receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
            values("1.0, 4.1, 2.1, 3.0");
        }
        receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
            values("1.0, 3.2, 2.1, 4.0");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
            values("1.0, 4.1, 2.1, 3.0");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
            values("1.0, 3.2, 2.1, 4.0");
        }
    }
}

```

12.5.5 Defining the Receiver Capacitance Groups at the Timing Level

At the timing level, you do not need to define the `receiver_capacitance` group. Define the receiver capacitance for the timing arcs by using only the `receiver_capacitance1_rise`, `receiver_capacitance1_fall`, `receiver_capacitance2_rise`, and `receiver_capacitance2_fall` groups.

Defining the `lu_table_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple lookup tables can use. A table template specifies the table parameters and the breakpoints for each axis. Assign each template a name so that lookup tables can refer to it.

`lu_table_template` Group Syntax

Define your lookup table templates in the `library` group.

```
library(name_id)
{
  ...
  lu_table_template(template_name_id)
  {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1 ("float,..., float");
    index_2 ("float,..., float");
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Template Variables for CCS Receiver Models

The table template specifying composite current source receiver models can have only two variables: `variable_1` and `variable_2`. The parameters are the input transition time and the total output capacitance of a constrained pin.

The index values in the `index_1` and `index_2` attributes are a list of ascending floating-point numbers.

`lu_table_template` Example

```
...
  lu_table_template(LTT2) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.3");
    index_2("1.0, 2.0");
  }
```

Defining the Lookup Table `receiver_capacitance` Groups

To specify the receiver capacitance for the nonlinear table model, use the `receiver_capacitance1_rise`, `receiver_capacitance1_fall`, `receiver_capacitance2_rise` and `receiver_capacitance2_fall` groups within the

timing group.

Timing-Level receiver_capacitance Group Syntax

```
direction: output; /* or "inout" */
timing () {
    ...
    receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name_id)
    {
        index_1("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        index_2("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall(template_name_id)
    {
        index_1("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        index_2("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise(template_name_id)
    {
        index_1("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        index_2("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall(template_name_id)
    {
        index_1("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        index_2("float,..., float");
        /* optional */
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    ...
}
```

Template Variables for CCS Receiver Models

In the timing level, the table template specifying composite current source receiver models can have two variables: `variable_1` and `variable_2`. The valid values for either variable are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

The `index_1` and `index_2` attributes are a list of ascending floating-point numbers.

The `values` attribute defines a list of floating-point numbers that represent the capacitance for the receiver model.

Timing-Level receiver_capacitance Example

```

timing() { /* timing arc-based receiver model*/
    ...
    related_pin : "B"
    receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT2) {
        values("1.1, 4., 2.0, 3.2");
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT2) {
        values("1.0, 3.2, 4.0, 2.1");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT2) {
        values("1.1, 4., 2.0, 3.2");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT2) {
        values("1.0, 3.2, 4.0, 2.1");
    }
    ...
}

```

12.6 Composite Current Source Driver and Receiver Model Example

[Example 12-1](#) is an example of composite current source driver and receiver model syntax.

Example 12-1 Composite Current Source Driver and Receiver Model

```

library(new_lib) {
    . . .
    output_current_template(CCT) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_3: time;
    }
    lu_table_template(LTT1) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
    }
    lu_table_template(LTT2) {
        variable_1: input_net_transition;
        variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1("1.1, 2.2");
        index_2("1.0, 2.0");
    }
    . . .
    cell(DFP) {
        pin(D) { /* pin-based receiver model*/
            direction : input;
            receiver_capacitance() {
                receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {

```

```

        values("1.1, 0.2, 1.3, 0.4");
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1.0, 2.1, 1.3, 1.2");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
        values("0.1, 1.2, 0.4, 1.3");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
        values("1.4, 2.3, 1.2, 1.1");
    }
} /*end of pin (D)*/
} /*end of cell (DFF)*/
...
cell() {
    ...
    pin (Y) {
        direction : output;
        capacitance : 1.2;

        timing() { /* CCS and arc-
based receiver model*/

        . . .
        related_pin : "B";
        receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT2) {
            values("0.1, 1.2");
            values("3.0, 2.3");
        }
        receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT2) {
            values("1.1, 2.3");
            values("1.3, 0.4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT2) {
            values("1.3, 0.2");
            values("1.3, 0.4");
        }
        receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT2) {
            values("1.3, 2.1");
            values("0.4, 1.3");
        }
        output_current_rise() {
            vector(CCT) {
                reference_time : 0.05;
                index_1(0.1);
                index_2(1.0);
                index_3("1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5,
3.0");
                values("1.1, 1.2, 1.5, 1.3,

```

```

0.5");
    }
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.05;
        index_1(0.1);
        index_2(2.0);
        index_3("1.2, 2.2, 3.2, 4.2,
5.2");
        values("1.11, 1.31, 1.51, 1.41,
0.51");
    }
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.06;
        index_1(0.2);
        index_2(1.0);
        index_3("1.2, 2.1, 3.2, 4.2,
5.2");
        values("1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 1.2,
0.4");
    }
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.06;
        index_1(0.2);
        index_2(2.0);
        index_3("1.2, 2.2, 3.2, 4.2,
5.2");
        values("1.11, 1.21, 1.51, 1.41,
0.31");
    }
}
output_current_fall() {
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.05;
        index_1(0.1);
        index_2(1.0);
        index_3("0.1, 2.3, 3.3, 4.4,
5.0");
        values("-1.1, -1.3, -1.6, -1.4, -
0.5");
    }
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.05;
        index_1(0.1);
        index_2(2.0);
        index_3("1.2, 2.2, 3.2, 4.2,
5.2");
        values("1.11, -1.21, -1.41, -
1.31, -0.51");
    }
    vector(CCT) {

```

```

        reference_time : 0.13;
        index_1(0.2);
        index_2(1.0);
        index_3("0.1, 1.3, 2.3, 3.4,
5.0");
        values("-1.1, -1.3, -1.8, -1.4, -
0.5");
    }
    vector(CCT) {
        reference_time : 0.13;
        index_1(0.2);
        index_2(2.0);
        index_3("1.2, 2.2, 3.2, 4.2,
5.2");
        values("-1.11, -1.31, -1.81, -
1.51, -0.41");
    }
} /*end of timing*/
. . .
} /* end of pin (Y) */
. . .
} /* end of cell */
. . .
} /* end of library */

```

13. Nonlinear Signal Integrity Modeling

This chapter provides an overview of modeling noise to support gate-level static noise analysis. It covers various topics on modeling noise for calculation, detection, and propagation, in the following sections:

- [Modeling Noise Terminology](#)
- [Modeling Cells for Noise](#)
- [Representing Noise Calculation Information](#)
- [Representing Noise Immunity Information](#)
- [Representing Propagated Noise Information](#)
- [Examples of Modeling Noise](#)

13.1 Modeling Noise Terminology

A net can be either an aggressor or a victim:

- An aggressor net is a net that injects noise onto a victim net.
- A victim net is a net onto which noise is injected by one or more neighboring nets through the cross-coupling capacitors between the nets.

Noise effect can be categorized in two ways:

- Delay noise
- Functional noise

Delay noise occurs when victim and aggressor nets switch simultaneously. This activity alters the delay and slew of the victim net.

Functional noise occurs when a victim net is intended to be at a stable value and the noise injected onto this net causes it to glitch. The glitch might propagate to a state element, such as a latch, altering the circuit state and causing a functional failure.

To compute and detect any delay or functional noise failure, the following are calculated:

- Noise calculation
- Noise immunity
- Noise propagation

13.1.1 Noise Calculation

Coupled noise is the noise voltage induced at the output of nonswitching gates when coupled adjacent drivers to the output (aggressor drivers) are switching.

13.1.2 Noise Immunity

The main concept of noise immunity is that for most cells, a glitch on the input pin has to be greater than a certain fixed voltage to cause a failure. However, a glitch with a tall

height might still not cause any failure if the glitch width is very small. This is mainly because noise failure is related to input noise glitch energy and this energy is proportional to the area under the glitch waveform.

For example, if a large voltage glitch in terms of height and width occurs on the clock pin of a flip-flop, the glitch can cause a change in the data and therefore the flip-flop output might change.

13.1.3 Noise Propagation

Propagated noise is the noise waveform created at the output of nonswitching gates due to the propagation of noise from the inputs of the same gate.

13.2 Modeling Cells for Noise

Library information for noise can be characterized in the following ways:

- [I-V Characteristics and Drive Resistance](#)
- [Noise Immunity](#)
- [Noise Propagation](#)

13.2.1 I-V Characteristics and Drive Resistance

To calculate the coupled noise glitch on a victim net, you need to know the effective steady-state drive resistance of the net. [Figure 13-1](#) shows the four different types of noise glitch:

- Vh+: Input is high, and the noise is over the high voltage rail.
- Vh-: Input is high, and the noise is less than the high voltage rail.
- Vl+: Input is low, and the noise is over the low voltage rail.
- Vl-: Input is low, and the noise is less than the low voltage rail.

Because the current is a nonlinear function of the voltage, you need to characterize the steady-state I-V characteristics curve, which provides a more accurate view of the behavior of a cell in its steady state. This information is specified for every timing arc of the cell that can propagate a transition. If an I-V curve cannot be obtained for a specific arc, the steady-state drive resistance single value can be used, but it is less accurate than the I-V curve.

Figure 13-1 Noise Glitch and Steady-State Drive Resistance



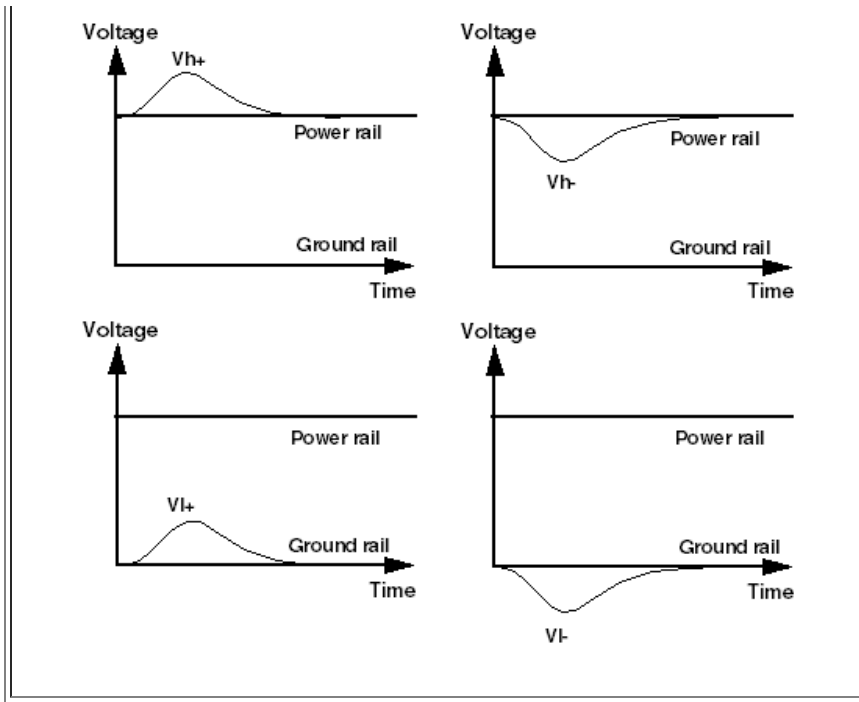
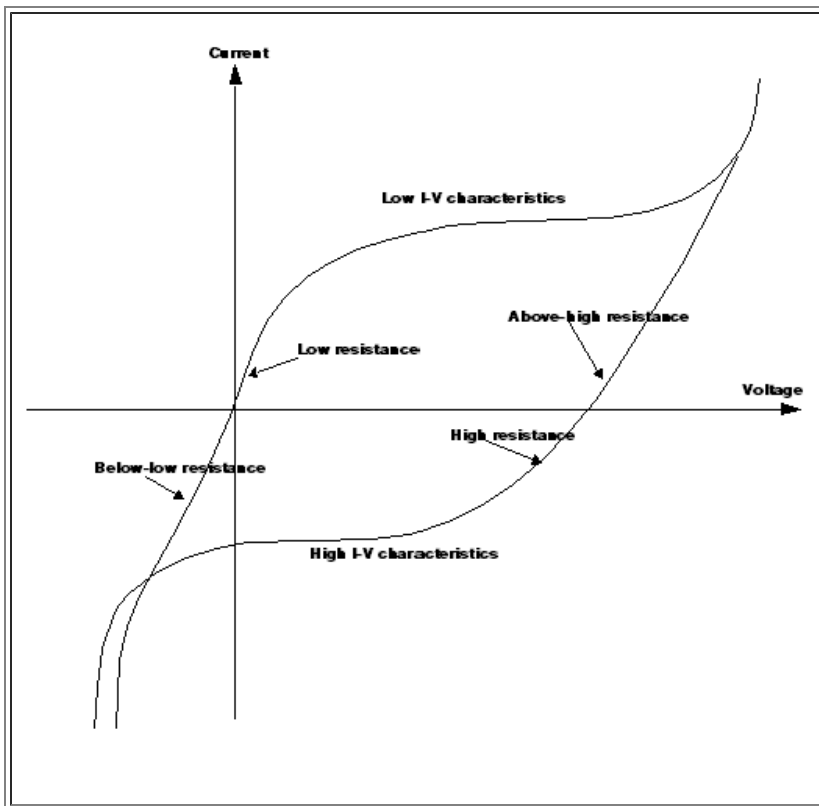


Figure 13-2 is an example of two I-V curves and the steady-state resistance value.

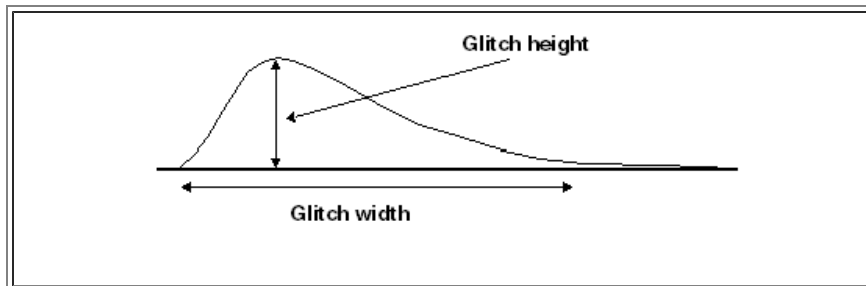
Figure 13-2 I-V Characteristics and Steady-State Drive Resistance



13.2.2 Noise Immunity

Circuits can tolerate large glitches at their inputs and still work correctly if the glitches deliver only a small energy. Given this concept, each cell input can be characterized by application of a wide range of coupling voltage waveform stimuli on it. [Figure 13-3](#) shows a glitch noise model.

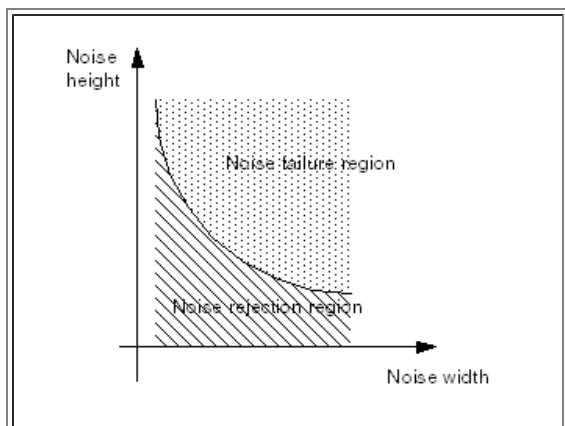
Figure 13-3 Glitch Noise Modeling



One method of modeling the noise immunity curve involves applying coupling voltage waveform stimuli with various heights (in library voltage units) and widths (in library time units) to the cell input, and then observing the output voltage waveform. The exact set of input stimuli (in terms of height and width) that produces an output noise voltage height equal to a predefined voltage is on the noise immunity curve. This predefined voltage is known as the *cell failure voltage*. Any input stimulus that has a height and width above the noise immunity curve causes a noise voltage higher than the cell failure voltage at the output and produces a functional failure in the cell.

[Figure 13-4](#) shows an example of a noise immunity curve.

Figure 13-4 Noise Immunity Curve



As shown in [Figure 13-4](#), any noise width and height combination that falls above the noise rejection curve causes functional failure. The selection of cell failure voltage is important for noise immunity curve characterization.

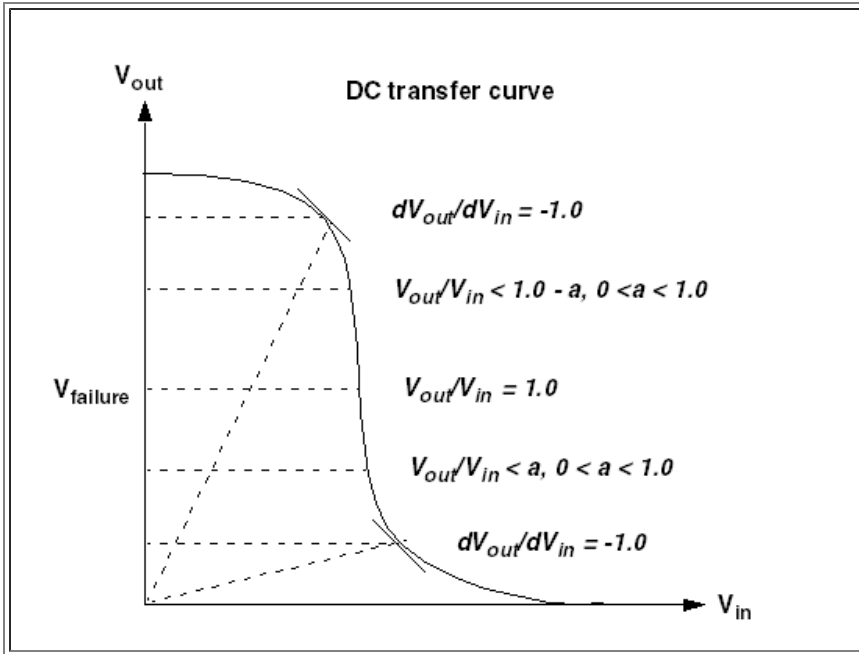
There are many ways to select a failure voltage for a cell that produces usable noise immunity curves, including the following:

- V_{failure} equal to the output DC noise margin
- V_{failure} equal to the next cell's V_{IL} or $(V_{\text{CC}} - V_{\text{IH}})$
- V_{failure} corresponding to the point on the DC transfer curve where $dV_{\text{out}}/dV_{\text{in}}$ is

1.0 or -1.0

- V_{failure} corresponding to the point on the DC transfer curve where $V_{\text{out}}/V_{\text{in}}$ is less than 1.0 or -1.0
- V_{failure} corresponding to the point on the DC transfer curve where $V_{\text{out}}/V_{\text{in}}$ is 1.0 or -1.0

Figure 13-5 Different Failure Voltage Criteria for Noise Immunity Curve



The noise immunity curve can also be a function of output loads, where cells with larger output loads can tolerate greater input noise.

The noise immunity curve is also state-dependent. For example, the noise on the A-to-Z arc of an XOR gate when B = 0 might be different from the B-to-Z arc when B = 1, because the arcs might go through different sets of transistors.

13.2.3 Using the Hyperbolic Model

The noise immunity curve resembles a hyperbola, because the area of different noise along the hyperbola is constant. Therefore noise immunity can be defined as a hyperbolic function with only three coefficients for every input on an I/O library pin. The formula for the height based on these three coefficients is as follows:

$$\text{height} = \text{height_coefficient} + \text{area_coefficient} / (\text{width} - \text{width_coefficient});$$

Your tool gets these coefficients from the library and applies the calculated height and width to determine whether the noise can cause functional failure. Any point above the hyperbolic curve signifies a functional failure.

13.2.4 Noise Propagation

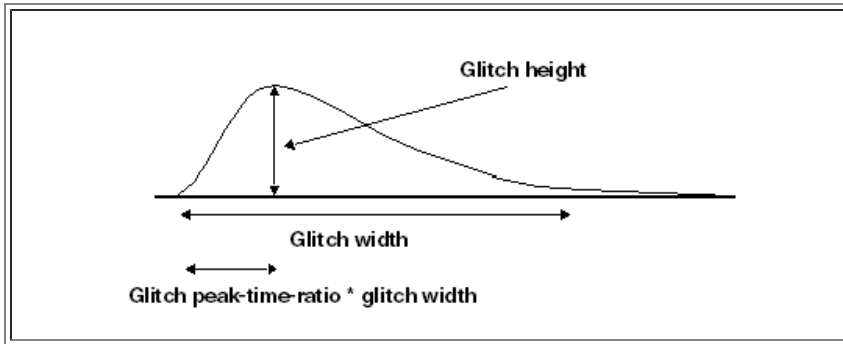
Propagated noise from the input to the output of a cell is modeled by

- Output glitch height
- Output glitch width
- Output glitch peak time ratio

- Output load

Figure 13-6 illustrates basic noise characteristics.

Figure 13-6 Basic Noise Characteristics



The output noise width, height, and peak-time ratio depend on the input noise width, height, and peak-time ratio as well as on the output load. However, in some cases, the dependency on peak-time ratio can be negligible; therefore, to reduce the amount of data, the lookup table does not have a peak-time-ratio dependency.

Table 13-1 shows a summary of the syntax used to model cases when the cell is not switching.

Table 13-1 Summary of Library Requirements for Noise Model

Category		Model type	Description
Noise detection	Voltage ranges (DC noise margin)	Lookup table and polynomial	<code>input_voltage</code> or <code>output_voltage</code> defined for all library pins
	Hyperbolic noise immunity curves	Lookup table and polynomial	Four hyperbolic curves; each has three coefficients, defined for input or bidirectional library pins
	Noise immunity tables	Lookup table	Four tables indexed by noise width and output load defined for timing arcs
	Noise immunity polynomials	Polynomial	Four polynomials as a function of noise width and output load defined for timing arcs
Noise calculation	Steady-state resistances	Lookup table and polynomial	Four floating-point values defined for timing arcs
	I-V characteristics tables	Lookup table	Two tables indexed by output steady-state voltage for non-three-state arcs and one table for three-state arcs

	I-V characteristics polynomials	Polynomial	Two polynomials as a function of output steady-state voltage for non-three-state arcs and one table for three-state arcs
Noise propagation	Noise propagation tables	Lookup table	Four pairs of noise width and height tables, each indexed by noise width, height, and load
	Noise propagation polynomials	Polynomial	Four sets of three polynomials (width, height, and peak-time ratio), each a function of width, height, peak-time ratio, and load

13.3 Representing Noise Calculation Information

You can represent coupled noise information with an I-V characteristics lookup table model or polynomial model at the timing level or four simple attributes defined at the timing level:

- `steady_state_resistance_above_high`
- `steady_state_resistance_below_low`
- `steady_state_resistance_high`
- `steady_state_resistance_low`

13.3.1 I-V Characteristics Lookup Table Model

You can describe I-V characteristics in your libraries by using lookup tables. To define your lookup tables, use the following groups and attributes:

- The `iv_lut_template` group in the `library` group
- The `steady_state_current_high`, `steady_state_current_low`, and `steady_state_current_tristate` groups in the `timing` group

`iv_lut_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple lookup tables can use. A table template specifies the I-V output voltage and the breakpoints for the axis. Assign each template a name. Make the template name the group name of a `steady_state_current_low` group, `steady_state_current_high` group, or `steady_state_current_tristate` group.

Syntax

```
library(name_string) {
  ...
  iv_lut_template(template_name_string) {
    variable_1: iv_output_voltage ;
    index_1 ("float,..., float");
  }
  ...
}
```

Template Variables

To specify I-V characteristics, define the following variable and index:

variable_1

The only valid value is `iv_output_voltage`, which specifies the I-V voltage of the output pin specified in the `pin` group. The voltage is measured from the pin to the ground.

index_1

The index values are a list of floating-point numbers that can be negative or positive. The values in the list must be in increasing order. The number of floating-point numbers in the `index_1` variable determines the dimension.

Example

```
iv_lut_template(my_current_low) {
    variable_1: iv_output_voltage;
    index_1 ("-1, -0.1, 0, 0.1 0.8, 1.6, 2");
}
iv_lut_template(my_current_high) {
    variable_1 : iv_output_voltage;
    index_1("-
1, 0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.8, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 2");
}
```

13.3.2 Defining the Lookup Table Steady-State Current Groups

To specify the I-V characteristics curve for the nonlinear table model, use the `steady_state_current_high`, `steady_state_current_low`, or `steady_state_current_tristate` groups within the `timing` group.

Syntax for Table Model

```
timing() { /* for non-three-state arcs */
    steady_state_current_high(template_namestring) {
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    steady_state_current_low(template_namestring) {
        values("float,..., float");
    }
    ...
}

timing() { /* for three-state arcs */
    steady_state_current_tristate(template_namestring) {
        values("float,..., float");
    }
}
```

```

...
}

float

```

The values are floating-point numbers indicating values for current.

The following rules apply to lookup table groups:

- Each table must have an associated name for the `iv_lut_template` it uses. The name of the template must be identical to the name defined in a library `iv_lut_template` group.
- You can overwrite `index_1` in a lookup table, but the overwrite must come before the definition of values.
- The current values of the table are stored in a `values` attribute. The values can be negative.

Example

```

timing() {
    ...
    steady_state_current_low(my_current_low) {
        values("-0.1, -
0.05, 0, 0.1, 0.25, 1, 1.8");
    }
    steady_state_current_high(my_current_high) {
        values("-2, -1.8, -1.7, -1.4, -1, -
0.5, 0, 0.1, 0.8");
    }
}

```

13.3.3 I-V Characteristics Curve Polynomial Model

As with the lookup table model, you can describe an I-V characteristics curve in your libraries by using the polynomial representation. To define your polynomial, use the following groups and attributes:

- The `poly_template` group in the `library` group
- The `steady_state_current_high`, `steady_state_current_low`, and `steady_state_current_tristate` groups within the `timing` group

poly_template Group

You can define a `poly_template` group at the library level to specify the equation variables, the variable ranges, the voltages mapping, and the piecewise data. The valid values for the variables are extended to include `iv_output_voltage`, `voltage`, `voltagei`, and `temperature`.

Syntax

```

library(name_string) {
    ...

```

```

poly_template(template_namestring) {
  variables(variable_1enum,..., variable_nenum);
  variable_i_range: (float, float);
  ...
  variable_n_range: (float, float);
  mapping(voltageenum, power_railid);
  domain(domain_namestring) {
    variable_i_range: (float, float);
    ...
    variable_n_range: (float, float);
  }
  ...
}
...
}

```

The syntax of the `poly_template` group is the same as that used for the delay model, except that the variables used in the format are

- `iv_output_voltage` for the output voltage of the pin
- `voltage`, `voltagei`, `temperature`

The piecewise model through the `domain` group is also supported.

Example

```

poly_template ( my_current_low ) {
  variables ( iv_output_voltage, voltage,
            voltage1, temperature );
  mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
  variable_1_range (-1, 2);
  variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
  variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
  variable_4_range (-40, 125);
}
}

```

13.3.4 Defining Polynomial Steady-State Current Groups

To specify the I-V characteristics curve to define the polynomial, use the `steady_state_current_high`, `steady_state_current_low`, and `steady_state_current_tristate` groups within the `timing` group.

Syntax for Polynomial Model

```

timing { /* for non-three-state arcs */
  steady_state_current_high(template_namestring) {
    orders("integer",..., integer");
    coefs("float",..., float");
    domain(domain_namestring) {

```

```

        orders("integer,..., integer");
        coefs("float,..., float");
    }
    ...
}
steady_state_current_low(template_namestring) {
    ...
}

timing() { /* for three-state arcs */
    steady_state_current_tristate(template_namestring) {
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

The `orders`, `coefs`, and `variable_range` attributes represent the polynomial for the current for high, low, and three-state.

The output voltage, temperature, and any power rail of the cell are allowed as variables for `steady_state_current` groups.

Example

```

timing() {
    steady_state_current_low(my_current_low) {
        orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
        coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -0.0004, 0.0000, \
            1133.8274, 8.7287, -
0.0054, 0.0000, \
            139.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -
0.0000, \
            -167.4473, 95.7112, -
0.1018, 0.0000");
    }
    steady_state_current_high(my_current_high) {
        orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
        coefs ("10.9165, 0.2198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
            1433.8274, 8.7287, -
0.0054, 0.0000, \
            128.8645, -
60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
            -167.4473, 95.7112, -
0.1018, 0.0000");
    }
    ...
}

```

13.3.5 Using Steady-State Resistance Simple Attributes

To represent steady-state drive resistance values, use the following attributes to define the four regions:

- `steady_state_resistance_above_high`
- `steady_state_resistance_below_low`
- `steady_state_resistance_high`
- `steady_state_resistance_low`

These attributes are defined within the `timing` group to represent the steady-state drive resistance. If one of these attributes is missing, the model becomes inaccurate.

Syntax

```
pin(name) {  
  ...  
  timing() {  
    ...  
    steady_state_resistance_above_high : float;  
    steady_state_resistance_below_low : float;  
    steady_state_resistance_high : float;  
    steady_state_resistance_low : float;  
    ...  
  }  
}  
  
float
```

The value of steady-state resistance for the four different noise regions in the I-V curve.

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_above_high : 200.0;  
steady_state_resistance_below_low : 100.0;  
steady_state_resistance_high : 100.0;  
steady_state_resistance_low : 1100.0
```

13.3.6 Using I-V Curves and Steady-State Resistance for tied_off Cells

In tied-off cells, the output pins are tied to either high or low and there is no need to define timing information for related pins. The tied-off cells have been enhanced to accept I-V curve and steady-state resistance in the `timing` group. To specify only the noise data (I-V curves and steady-state resistance) in the `timing` group, you must specify a new Boolean attribute, `tied_off`, and set it to true.

13.3.7 Defining tied_off Attribute Usage

You can specify the I-V characteristics and steady-state drive resistance values on tied-off cells by using the `tied_off` attribute in the `timing` group.

Syntax

```

pin(name) {
  ...
  timing() {
    ...
    tied_off : boolean;
    /* timing type is not defined */
    /* steady-state resistance */
  }
}

```

The following rules apply to `tied_off` cells:

- Steady-state resistance and I-V curves can coexist in the same timing arc of a `tied_off` output pin.
- If the output pin is tied to low (function : "0") and its timing arc specifies the `steady_state_current_high` group, an error message is generated. Similarly if the output pin is tied to high (function : "1") and its timing arc specifies the `steady_state_current_low` group, an error message is generated.
- If noise immunity and noise propagation are specified in the timing arcs of a `tied_off` pin, an error message is generated.
- If the `related_pin` attribute is specified on a `tied_off` output pin, an error message is generated.

Example

```

pin (high) {
  direction : output;
  capacitance : 0;
  function : "1";

  /* noise information */
  timing() {
    tied_off : true;
    steady_state_resistance_high : 1.22;
    steady_state_resistance_above_high : 1.00;
    steady_state_current_high(iv1x5) {
      index_1("0.3,0.75,1.0,1.2,2");
      values("-513.2,-447.9,-359.3,-
245.7,497.3");
    }
  }
}

```

13.4 Representing Noise Immunity Information

In the Liberty syntax, you can represent noise immunity information with a

- Lookup table or a polynomial model at the timing level
- Input noise width range at the pin level
- Hyperbolic model at the pin level

13.4.1 Noise Immunity Lookup Table Model

You can represent noise immunity in your libraries by using lookup tables. To define your lookup tables, use the following groups and attributes:

- `noise_lut_template` group in the `library` group
- `noise_immunity_above_high`, `noise_immunity_above_low`, `noise_immunity_below_low`, and `noise_immunity_high` groups in the `timing` group

`noise_lut_template` Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple noise immunity lookup tables can use.

A table template specifies the input noise width, the output load, and their corresponding breakpoints for the axis. Assign each template a name, and make the name the group name of a noise immunity group.

Syntax

```
library(name_string) {  
  ...  
  noise_lut_template(template_name_string) {  
    variable_1: value;  
    variable_2: value;  
    index_1 ("float,..., float");  
    index_2 ("float,..., float");  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

Template Variables

The library-level table template specifying noise immunity can have two variables (`variable_1` and `variable_2`). The variables indicate the parameters used to index the lookup table along the first and second table axes. The parameters are `input_noise_width` and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

The index values in `index_1` and `index_2` are a list of positive floating-point numbers. The values in the list must be in increasing order.

The unit for the input noise width is the library time unit.

Example

```
noise_lut_template(my_noise_reject) {  
  variable_1 : input_noise_width;  
  variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;  
  index_1("0, 0.1, 0.3, 1, 2");  
  index_2("1, 2, 3, 4, 5");  
}
```

13.4.2 Defining the Noise Immunity Table Groups

To represent noise immunity, use the `noise_immunity_above_high`, `noise_immunity_below_low`, `noise_immunity_high`, and `noise_immunity_low` groups within the `timing` group.

Syntax for Noise Immunity Table Model

```
timing() {
  noise_immunity_above_high(template_namestring) {
    index_1 ("float,..., float"):
    index_2 ("float,..., float"):
    values("float,...,float"... "float,...,float");
  }
  noise_immunity_below_low(template_namestring) {
    ...
  }
  noise_immunity_high(template_namestring) {
    ...
  }
  noise_immunity_low(template_namestring) {
    ...
  }
}
```

The following rules apply to the noise immunity groups:

- These tables are optional, and each of them can exist separately on the library timing arcs.
- Each noise immunity table has an associated name for the `noise_lut_template` it uses. The name of the table must be identical to the name defined in a library `noise_lut_template` group.
- Each table is two-dimensional. The indexes are `input_noise_width` and `total_output_net_capacitance`. The values in the table are the noise heights (that is, height as a function of width and output load).
- You can overwrite any or both indexes in a noise template. However, the overwrite must occur before the actual definition of the values.
- The height values of the table are stored in the `values` attribute. Each height value is the absolute difference of the noise bump height voltage and the related rail voltage and is, therefore, a positive number. Any point over this curve describes a height and width combination that causes functional failure.
- The unit for the height is the library voltage unit.
- For points outside table ranges, your tool might use extrapolation.

Example

```
pin ( Y ) {
  ....
  timing () {
    noise_immunity_below_low          (my_noise1)
```

```

{
    values ("1, 0.8, 0.5", \
           "1, 0.8, 0.5", \
           "1, 0.8, 0.5");
}
noise_immunity_above_high (my_noise1){
    values ("1, 0.8, 0.5", \
           "1, 0.8, 0.5", \
           "1, 0.8, 0.5");
}
}
}
}
}

```

13.4.3 Noise Immunity Polynomial Model

As with the lookup table model, you can represent noise immunity in your libraries by using the polynomial representation. To define your polynomial, use the following groups and attributes:

- The `poly_template` group in the library group
- The `noise_immunity_above_high`, `noise_immunity_below_low`, `noise_immunity_high`, and `noise_immunity_low` groups in the timing group

poly_template Group

You can define a `poly_template` group at the library level to specify the polynomial equation variables, the variable ranges, the voltage mapping, and the piecewise data. The valid values for the variables include `total_output_net_capacitance`, `input_noise_width`, `voltage`, `voltagei`, and `temperature`.

Syntax

```

library(name_string) {
    ...
    poly_template(template_name_string) {
        variables(variable_i_enum, ..., variable_n_enum);
        variable_i_range: (float, float);
        ...
        variable_n_range: (float, float);
        mapping(voltage_enum, power_rail_id);
        domain(domain_name_string); {
            variable_i_range: (float, float);
            ...
            variable_n_range: (float, float);
        }
    }
}
...
}

```

Template Variables

The syntax of the `poly_template` group is the same as that used for the delay model, except that the variables used in the format are

- `input_noise_width`
- `total_output_net_capacitance`
- `voltage`, `voltagei`, `temperature`

The piecewise model through the `domain` group is also supported.

Example

```
poly_template (my_noise_reject) { /* existing syntax
*/
    variables (input_noise_width,voltage,voltage1, temperature,
    \
    total_output_net_capacitance);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    variable_1_range (0, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range (-40, 125);
    variable_5_range (0.01, 1.0);
    domain (typ) {
        variables (input_noise_width,voltage,voltage1,
    \
    temperature,total_output_net_capacitance);
        variable_1_range (0, 2);
    }
}
```

Defining the Noise Immunity Polynomial Groups

To represent noise immunity, use the `noise_immunity_above_high`, `noise_immunity_below_low`, `noise_immunity_high`, and `noise_immunity_low` groups within the `timing` group.

Syntax

```
...
timing() {
    noise_immunity_above_high(template_namestring) {
        orders("integer,..., integer");
        coefs("float,..., float");
        ...
        domain(domain_namestring) {
            orders("integer,..., integer");
            coefs("float,...,float");
        }
    }
}
```

```

    ...
}
noise_immunity_below_low(template_namestring) {
    ...
}
noise_immunity_high(template_namestring) {
    ...
}
noise_immunity_low(template_namestring) {
    ...
}
...
}

```

Because the polynomial model is a superset of the lookup table model, all syntax supported in the lookup table is also supported in the polynomial model. For example, you can have a polynomial `noise_immunity_high` and a table `noise_immunity_low` defined in the same group in a scalable polynomial delay model library.

Example

```

noise_immunity_low (my_noise_reject) {
    domain (typ) {
        orders ("1, 1, 1, 1, 1")
        coefs ("1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, \
\
        1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, \
\
        1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0"
);
    domain (min) {
        orders("1 3 1 1");
        coefs("-0.01, 0.02, 1.41, -0.54, \
        1.85, 1.83, -5.58, -
2.96, -0.0001, \
        0.0001, -0.002, -
0.0019, 0.002, \
        0.0012, -0.010, -
0.0061, 0.034, \
        0.015, 2.08, -
0.22, 4.13, 2.44, \
        -14.02, -7.83, 7.09e-
05, -1.98e-05, \
        -
0.0019, 0.0009, 0.0065, -0.0004, \
        -0.027, -0.016");
    }
}
}

```

13.4.4 Input Noise Width Ranges at the Pin Level

To specify whether a noise immunity or propagation table is referenced within the noise range indexes, the Liberty syntax allows you to specify the minimum and maximum values of the input noise width.

Defining the `input_noise_width` Range Limits

You can specify two `float` attributes, `min_input_noise_width` and `max_input_noise_width`, at the pin level. These attributes are optional and specify the minimum and maximum values of the input noise width.

Syntax

```
pin(name_string) {  
    ...  
    /* used for noise immunity or propagation */  
    min_input_noise_width : float;  
    max_input_noise_width: float;  
    ...  
}  
  
float
```

The values of `min_input_noise_width` and `max_input_noise_width` are the minimum and maximum input noise width, in library time units.

The following rules apply to `input_noise_width` range limits:

- The `min_input_noise_width` and `max_input_noise_width` attributes can be defined only on input or inout pins. Otherwise, an error message is generated.
- The `min_input_noise_width` and `max_input_noise_width` attributes must both be defined. Otherwise, an error message is generated.
- A check determines whether the `min_input_noise_width` \leq `max_input_noise_width` constraints are met. If the constraints are not met, an error message is generated.
- Checks do not determine whether the specification of these noise range attributes is associated with noise groups.

Example

```
pin ( 0 ) {  
    direction : output ; /* existing syntax */  
    capacitance : 1 ; /* existing syntax */  
    fanout_load : 1 ; /* existing syntax */  
  
    /* Noise range */  
    min_input_noise_width : 0.0;  
    max_input_noise_width : 2.0;
```



```

    /* Timing group defines what is acceptable noise on input pins.
    */

    timing () {
    /* Noise immunity.
    * Defines maximum allowed noise height for given pulse
width.
    * Pulse height is absolute value from the signal
level.
    * Any of the following four tables are optional.
    */

        noise_immunity_low (my_noise_reject) {
            values ("1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6");
        }
        noise_immunity_high (my_noise_reject) {
            values ("1.3, 0.8, 0.7, 0.6, 0.55");
        }
        noise_immunity_below_low (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{
            values ("1, 0.8, 0.5");
        }
        noise_immunity_above_high (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{
            values ("1, 0.8, 0.5");
        }
    } /* end of timing group */
} /* end of pin group */

```

13.4.5 Defining the Hyperbolic Noise Groups

To specify hyperbolic noise immunity information, use the `hyperbolic_noise_above_high`, `hyperbolic_noise_below_low`, `hyperbolic_noise_high`, and `hyperbolic_noise_low` groups within the pin group.

Syntax

```

pin(namestring) {
    ...
    hyperbolic_noise_above_high() {
        height_coefficient : float;
        area_coefficient : float;
        width_coefficient : float;
    }
    hyperbolic_noise_below_low() {
        ...
    }
}

```

```

}
hyperbolic_noise_high() {
  ...
}
hyperbolic_noise_low() {
  ...
}
...
}

```

float

The coefficient values for height, width, and area must be 0 or a positive number.

The following rules apply to noise immunity groups:

- The hyperbolic noise groups are optional, and each can be defined separately from the other three.
- For the same region (above-high, below-low, high, or low), the hyperbolic noise groups can coexist with normal noise immunity tables.
- For different regions (above-high, below-low, high, or low), a combination of tables and hyperbolic functions is allowed. For example, you might have a hyperbolic function for below and above the rails and have tables for high and low tables on the same pin.
- When no table or hyperbolic function is defined for a given pin, the application checks other measures for noise immunity, such as DC noise margins.
- The unit for `height` and `height_coefficient` is the library unit of voltage. The unit for `width` and `width_coefficient` is the library unit of time. The unit for `area_coefficient` is the library unit of voltage multiplied by the library unit of time.

Example

```

hyperbolic_noise_low() {
  height_coefficient : 0.4;
  area_coefficient  : 1.1;
  width_coefficient : 0.1;
}
hyperbolic_noise_high() {
  height_coefficient : 0.3;
  area_coefficient  : 0.9;
  width_coefficient : 0.1;
}

```

13.5 Representing Propagated Noise Information

In the Liberty syntax, you can represent propagated noise information at the timing level by using a

- [Propagated Noise Lookup Table Model](#)

- [Propagated Noise Polynomial Model](#)

13.5.1 Propagated Noise Lookup Table Model

You can represent propagated noise in your libraries by using lookup tables. To define your lookup tables, use the `propagation_lut_template` group in the library group. In the `timing` group, use the following groups:

- `propagated_noise_height_above_high`
- `propagated_noise_height_below_low`
- `propagated_noise_height_high`
- `propagated_noise_height_low`
- `propagated_noise_width_above_high`
- `propagated_noise_width_below_low`
- `propagated_noise_width_high`
- `propagated_noise_width_low`

propagation_lut_template Group

Use this library-level group to create templates of common information that multiple propagation lookup tables can use.

A table template specifies the propagated noise width, height, and output load and their corresponding breakpoints for the axis. Assign each template a name. Make the template name the group name of a propagated noise group.

Syntax

```
library(name_string)
{
  ...
  propagation_lut_template(template_namesstring)
  {
    variable_1: value;
    variable_2: value;
    variable_3: value;
    index_1 ("float,..., float");
    index_2 ("float,..., float");
    index_3 ("float,..., float");
  }
  ...
}
```

Template Variables

The table template specifying propagated noise can have three variables (`variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`). The variables indicate the parameters used to index the lookup table along the first, second, and third table axes. The parameters are `input_noise_width`, `input_noise_height`, and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

The index values in the `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` attributes are a list of positive floating-point numbers. The values in the list must be in

increasing order.

The unit for `input_noise_width` and `input_noise_height` is the library time unit.

Example

```
propagation_lut_template(my_propagated_noise) {
  variable_1 : input_noise_width;
  variable_2 : input_noise_height;
  variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;
  index_1("0.01, 0.2, 2");
  index_2("0.2, 0.8");
  index_3("0, 2");
}
```

Defining the Propagated Noise Table Groups

To represent propagated noise, use the following groups within the `timing` group:

`propagated_noise_height_above_high`,
`propagated_noise_height_below_low`, `propagated_noise_height_high`,
`propagated_noise_height_low`, and `propagated_noise_width_above_high`.

Syntax for Table Model

```
timing() {
  ...
  propagated_noise_height_above_high (temp_namestring)
  {
    index_1 ("float,..., float");
    index_2 ("float,..., float");
    index_3 ("float,..., float");
    values("float,..., float,"..."float,...,
float");
  }
  propagated_noise_height_below_low (temp_namestring)
  {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_above_high (temp_namestring)
  {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_below_low (temp_namestring)
  {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_height_high(template_namestring)
  {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_height_low(template_namestring)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

```

    }
    propagated_noise_width_high(template_namestring)
    {
        ...
    }
    propagated_noise_width_low(template_namestring)
    {
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

Propagation Noise Group Rules

The following rules apply to the propagation noise groups:

- Each of the three pairs of tables is optional; the assumption is that if one pair is missing, the corresponding region does not propagate any noise.
- If a pair of tables for a particular region (high, low, above-high, or below-low) is specified, both width and height must be specified.
- Each propagated noise table has an associated name for the `propagation_lut_template` it uses. The name of the table must be identical to the name defined in a library `propagated_noise_template` group.
- Each table can be two-dimensional or three-dimensional. The indexes are `input--noise_width`, `input_noise_height`, and `total_output_net_capacitance`. The values are coefficients of height and width. The coefficient values for height and width must be 0 or a positive number.
- You can overwrite any or all indexes in a propagated noise template. However, the overwrite must occur before the actual definition of the values.
- The width and height values of the table are stored in the `values` attribute. Each height value is the absolute difference of the noise bump height voltage and the related rail voltage and is, therefore, a positive number. Any point over this curve describes a height/width combination that causes functional failure.
- The unit for all propagated height is the library voltage unit. The unit for all propagated width is the library unit of time.
- For points outside table ranges, your tool might use extrapolation.

Example

```

propagated_noise_width_high(my_propagated_noise) {
    values ("0.01, 0.10, 0.15",      "0.04, 0.14, 0.18",
    \
           "0.05, 0.15, 0.24",      "0.07, 0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_height_high(my_propagated_noise)

```

```

{
    values ("0.01, 0.20, 0.25", "0.04, 0.24,
0.28", \
                                "0.05, 0.25, 0.28", "0.07, 0.27, 0.35");
}

```

13.5.2 Propagated Noise Polynomial Model

As with the lookup table model, you can describe propagated noise in your libraries by using polynomial representation. To define your polynomial, use the `poly_template` group in the `library` group.

In the `timing` group, use the following groups:

- `propagated_noise_height_above_high`
- `propagated_noise_height_below_low`
- `propagated_noise_height_high`
- `propagated_noise_height_low`
- `propagated_noise_width_above_high`
- `propagated_noise_width_below_low`
- `propagated_noise_width_high`
- `propagated_noise_width_low`
- `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high`
- `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low`
- `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high`
- `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low`

13.5.3 `poly_template` Group

You can define a `poly_template` group at the library level to specify the equation variables, the variable ranges, the voltage mapping, and the piecewise data. The valid values for the variables are extended to include `input_noise_width`, `input_noise_height`, `input_peak_time_ratio`, `total_output_net_capacitance`, `temperature`, and the related rail voltages.

Syntax

```

library(name_string) {
    ...
    poly_template(template_name_string) {
        variables(variable_i_enum, ..., variable_n_enum);
        variable_i_range: (float, float);
        ...
        variable_n_range: (float, float);
        mapping(voltage_enum, power_rail_id);
        domain(domain_name_string) {
            variable_i_range: (float, float);
            ...
            variable_n_range: (float, float);
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
}
...
}

```

Template Variables

The syntax of the `poly_template` group is the same as that of the `delay` model, except that the variables used in the format are

- `input_noise_width`, `input_noise_height`,
`input_peak_time_ratio`
- `total_output_net_capacitance`
- `voltage`, `voltagei`, `temperature`

The piecewise model through the `domain` group is also supported.

The `input_peak_time_ratio` is always specified as a ratio of width, so it is a value between 0.0 and 1.0.

Example

```

poly_template(my_propagated_noise) {
    variables (input_noise_width, input_noise_height,
              input_peak_time_ratio,
total_output_net_capacitance);
    variable_1_range (0.01, 2);
    variable_2_range (0, 0.8);
    variable_3_range (0.0, 1.0);
    variable_4_range (0, 2);
} /* poly_template(propagated_noise) */

```

Defining Propagated Noise Groups for Polynomial Representation

To specify polynomial representation, use the `propagated_noise_height_above_high`, `propagated_noise_height_below_low`, `propagated_noise_height_high`, `propagated_noise_height_low`, `propagated_noise_width_above_high`, `propagated_noise_width_below_low`, `propagated_noise_width_high`, `propagated_noise_width_low`, `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high`, `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low`, `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high`, and `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low` groups within the `timing` group to define the polynomial.

The `peak_time_ratio` groups are supported only in the polynomial model.

Syntax for Polynomial

```

timing() {
  ...
  propagated_noise_height_above_high (temp_name_string) {
    variable_i_range: (float, float);
    orders("integer,..., integer");
    coefs("float,..., float");
    domain(domain_name_string) {
      variable_i_range: (float, float);
      orders("integer,..., integer");
      coefs("float,..., float");
    }
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_above_high (temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_height_below_low (temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_below_low (temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_height_high(temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_high(temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_height_low(temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_width_low(temp_name_string) {
    ...
  }
  propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high (temp_name_string
) {
  ...
}
  propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low(
temp_name_string
) {
  ...
}
  propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high (temp_name_string) {
  ...
}
  propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low (temp_name_string) {
  ...
}
}
}

```

Because the polynomial model is a superset of the lookup table model, all syntax supported in the lookup table is also supported in the polynomial model. For example, you can have a `propagated_noise_width_high`

polynomial and a `propagated_noise_width_low` table defined in the same group in a scalable polynomial delay model library.

Example

```
propagated_noise_width_high(my_propagated_noise) {
    orders("1, 1, 1, 1 ");
    coefs("1, 2, 3, 4 ,\
          1, 2, 3, 4 ,\
          1, 2, 3, 4 ,\
          1, 2, 3, 4 ");
}
propagated_noise_height_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders("1, 1, 1, 1 ");
    coefs("1, 2, 3, 4 ,\
          1, 2, 3, 4 ,\
          1, 2, 3, 4 ");
}
```

13.6 Examples of Modeling Noise

The examples in this section model libraries for noise extension for scalable polynomials and nonlinear lookup table model libraries.

13.6.1 Scalable Polynomial Model Noise Example

A scalable polynomial delay library allows you to describe how noise parameters vary with rail voltage and temperature.

```
library (my_noise_lib) {
    delay_model : "polynomial";
    time_unit : "1ns";
    voltage_unit : "1V";
    current_unit : "1mA";
    capacitive_load_unit (1,pf);
    pulling_resistance_unit : 1kohm;
    power_supply() {
        default_power_rail : VDD1;
        power_rail(VDD1, 1.6);
        power_rail(VDD2, 1.3);
    }
    nom_voltage : 1.0;
    nom_temperature : 40;
    nom_process : 1.0;
    /* Templates of DC noise margins and output levels */
    input_voltage(MY_CMOS_IN) {
        vil : 0.3;
        vih : 1.1;
    }
}
```

```

    vimin : -0.3;
    vimax : VDD + 0.3;
}
output_voltage(MY_CMOS_OUT) {
    vol : 0.1;
    voh : 1.4;
    vomin : -0.3;
    vomax : VDD + 0.3;
}
/* Template definitions for noise immunity. Variable:
* input_noise_width */
poly_template ( my_noise_reject ) {
    temperature,total_output_net_capacitance);
    variables ( input_noise_width, voltage, voltage1,
\
temperature,total_output_net_capacitance);
    mapping(voltage, VDD1);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    variable_1_range (0, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range (-40, 125);
    variable_5_range (0.0, 1.0);
    domain (typ) {
        variables ( input_noise_width, voltage,
voltage1,\
                temperature,
total_output_net_capacitance);
        variable_1_range (0, 2);
        variable_2_range (1.5, 1.7);
        variable_3_range (1.2, 1.4);
        variable_4_range (25, 25);
        variable_5_range (0.0, 1.0);
        mapping(voltage, VDD1);
        mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    }
    domain (min) {
        variables ( input_noise_width, voltage, voltage1,
\
                temperature );
        variable_1_range (0, 2);
        variable_2_range (1.7, 1.8);
        variable_3_range (1.4, 1.5);
        variable_4_range (-40, -40);
        mapping(voltage, VDD1);
        mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    }
    domain (max) {
        variables ( input_noise_width, voltage, voltage1,

```

```

\
        temperature );
    variable_1_range (0, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.6, 1.7);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.2);
    variable_4_range (125, 125);
    mapping(voltage, VDD1);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
}
} /* end poly_template (my_noise_reject) */
poly_template ( my_noise_reject_outside_rail ) {
    variables ( input_noise_width, voltage, voltage1,
\
        temperature );
    mapping(voltage, VDD1);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    variable_1_range (0, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range (-40, 125);
} /* end poly_template ( my_noise_reject_outside_rail )
*/
/* Template definitions for I-
V characteristics. Variable:
* iv_output_voltage */
poly_template ( my_current_low ) {
    variables ( iv_output_voltage, voltage, voltage1,
\
        temperature );
    mapping(voltage, VDD1);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    variable_1_range (-1, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range (-40, 125);
} /* end poly_template ( my_current_low ) */
poly_template ( my_current_high ) {
    variables ( iv_output_voltage, voltage, voltage1,
\
        temperature );
    mapping(voltage, VDD1);
    mapping(voltage1, VDD2);
    variable_1_range (-1, 2);
    variable_2_range (1.4, 1.8);
    variable_3_range (1.1, 1.5);
    variable_4_range (-40, 125);
} /* end poly_template ( my_current_high ) */
/* Template definitions for propagated noise.
Variables:
* input_noise_width

```



```

        * Characterization recommendation: Use
        * hyperbolic_noise_immunity_*
        * if it can fit the curve, otherwise use
        * table noise_immunity_* */
hyperbolic_noise_low() {
    height_coefficient : 0.4;
    area_coefficient : 1.1;
    width_coefficient : 0.1;
}
hyperbolic_noise_high() {
    height_coefficient : 0.3;
    area_coefficient : 0.9;
    width_coefficient : 0.1;
}
hyperbolic_noise_below_low() {
    height_coefficient : 0.1;
    area_coefficient : 0.3;
    width_coefficient : 0.01;
}
hyperbolic_noise_above_high() {
    height_coefficient : 0.1;
    area_coefficient : 0.3;
    width_coefficient : 0.01;
}
} /* end pin (A) */
pin ( Y ) {
    direction : output ;
    max_fanout : 10 ;
    function : " !A ";
    output_voltage : MY_CMOS_OUT ;
    timing () {
        related_pin : A ;
        /* Steady state drive resistance */
        steady_state_resistance_high : 1500;
        steady_state_resistance_low : 1100;
        steady_state_resistance_above_high : 200;
        steady_state_resistance_below_low : 100;
        /* I-V curve.
        * Describes how much current the pin can deliver in a given state
for
        * a given voltage on the pin.
        * Voltage is measured from the pin to ground, current is
measured
        * flowing into the cell (both can be either positive or negative).
*/
        steady_state_current_low(my_current_low) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
            coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0004, 0.0000, \
1133.8274, 8.7287, -0.0054, 0.0000, \

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        139.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
        -167.4473, 95.7112, -0.1018, 0.0000");
    }
    steady_state_current_high(my_current_high)
{
    orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
    coefs ("10.9165, 0.2198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
        1433.8274, 8.7287, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
        128.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
        -167.4473, 95.7112, -0.1018, 0.0000");
    }
    /* Noise immunity.
    * Defines maximum allowed noise height for given pulse
width.
    * Pulse height is absolute value from the signal
level.
    * Any of the 4 tables below are optional.
    */
    noise_immunity_low (my_noise_reject) {
        domain (typ) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0, 0");
            coefs ("11.4165, 0.2198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
        0.0054, 0.0000, \
        0.0000, \
        0.1018, 0.0000");
            1353.8274, 8.7287, -
        149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -
        -167.4473, 95.7112, -
        }
        domain (min) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
            coefs ("6.964065, 0.134078, -
0.000183, 0.0000, \
        0.003294, 0.0000, \
        0.0000, \
        .062098, 0.0000");
            825.834714, 5.324507, -
        91.417345, -36.837778, .035929, -
        -102.142853, 58.383832, -
        }
        domain (max) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
            coefs ("19.065555, 0.367066, -
0.000501, 0.0000, \
        0.009018, 0.0000, \
        100.850966, 0.098363, -0.0000, \
        2260.891758, 14.576929, -
        250.273715, -
    }
}

```

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                                -279.636991, 159.837704, -
0.170006, 0.0000");
    }
    }
    noise_immunity_high (my_noise_reject) {
        domain (typ) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0, 0");
            coefs ("12.4165, 0.2198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
                                1353.8274, 8.7287, -
0.0054, 0.0000, \
                                129.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -
0.0000, \
                                -147.4473, 95.7112, -
0.1018, 0.0000");
        }
        domain (min) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
            coefs ("6.364065, 0.134078, -
0.000183, 0.0000, \
                                845.834714, 5.324507, -
0.003294, 0.0000, \
                                91.417345, -36.837778, .035929, -
0.0000, \
                                -103.142853, 58.383832, -
.062098, 0.0000");
        }
        domain (max) {
            orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
            coefs ("19.265555, 0.367066, -
0.000601, 0.0000, \
                                2460.891758, 14.576929, -
0.009018, 0.0000, \
                                250.273715, -
130.850966, 0.098363, -0.0000, \
                                -279.636991, 159.837704, -
0.170006, 0.0000");
        }
    }
}
noise_immunity_below_low (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{
    orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
    coefs ("10.4165, 0.1198, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
                                1333.8274, 8.7287, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
                                149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
                                -167.4473, 95.7112, -0.1018, 0.0000");
}
noise_immunity_above_high (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{

```

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        orders ("3, 3, 0, 0");
        coefs ("12.4165, 0.2298, -
0.0003, 0.0000, \
        1253.8274, 8.7287, -0.0054, 0.0000, \
        149.8645, -60.3898, 0.0589, -0.0000, \
        -167.4473, 95.7112, -0.1018, 0.0000");
    }
    /* Propagated noise.
    * It is a function of input noise width and height and
output
    * capacitance. Width and height are in separate tables.
    */
    propagated_noise_width_high(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0004, 0.2000, \
        1.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
        -1.4473, 9.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
    propagated_noise_height_high(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0014, 0.2000, \
        0.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
        -0.4473, 0.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
    propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, 0.0014, 0.2000,
\
        0.8645, 0.3898, 0.0589, 0.03000, \
        0.4473, 0.7112, 0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
    propagated_noise_width_low(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0004, 0.2000, \
        1.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
        -1.4473, 9.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
    propagated_noise_height_low(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0014, 0.2000, \
        0.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \

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        -0.4473, 0.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, 0.0014, 0.2000, \
\
    0.8645, 0.3898, 0.0589, 0.03000, \
    0.4473, 0.7112, 0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}
propagated_noise_width_above_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0004, 0.2000, \
    1.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
    -1.4473, 9.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}
propagated_noise_height_above_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0014, 0.2000, \
    0.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
    -0.4473, 0.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, 0.0014, 0.2000, \
\
    0.8645, 0.3898, 0.0589, 0.03000, \
    0.4473, 0.7112, 0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}
propagated_noise_width_below_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("8.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0004, 0.2000, \
    1.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
    -1.4473, 9.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}
propagated_noise_height_below_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
    coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, -
0.0014, 0.2000, \
    0.8645, -6.3898, 0.0589, -0.03000, \
    -0.4473, 0.7112, -0.1018, 0.3500, ");
}

```

```

        propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low(my_propagated_noise)
    {
        orders ("1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0");
        coefs ("0.4165, 0.3198, 0.0014, 0.2000,
\
        0.8645, 0.3898, 0.0589, 0.03000, \
        0.4473, 0.7112, 0.1018, 0.3500, ");
    }
    cell_rise(scalar) { values("0");}
    rise_transition(scalar) { values("0");}
    cell_fall(scalar) { values("0");}
    fall_transition(scalar) { values("0");}
} /* end of timing group */
} /* end of pin (Y) */
} /* end of cell (INV) */
} /* end of library (my_noise_lib)

```

13.6.2 Nonlinear Delay Model Library With Noise Information

A nonlinear delay model noise library is limited to a fixed voltage.

```

library (my_noise_lib) {
    delay_model : "table_lookup";
    time_unit : "1ns";
    voltage_unit : "1V";
    current_unit : "1mA";
    capacitive_load_unit (1,pf);
    pulling_resistance_unit : 1kohm;
    nom_voltage : 1.6;
    nom_temperature : 40.0;
    nom_process : 1.0;
    /* Templates of input and output levels (used for DC noise margin)
*/
    input_voltage(MY_CMOS_IN) {
        vil : 0.3;
        vih : 1.1;
        vimin : -0.3;
        vimax : VDD + 0.3;
    }
    output_voltage(MY_CMOS_OUT) {
        vol : 0.1;
        voh : 1.4;
        vomin : -0.3;
        vomax : VDD + 0.3;
    }
    /* Template definitions for noise immunity. Variable:
    * input_noise_width */
    noise_lut_template(my_noise_reject) {
        variable_1 : input_noise_width;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    }
}

```

```

        index_1("0, 0.1, 0.3, 1, 2");
        index_2("0, 0.1, 0.3, 1, 2");
    }
    noise_lut_template(my_noise_reject_outside_rail) {
        variable_1 : input_noise_width;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1("0, 0.1, 2");
        index_2("0, 0.1, 2");
    }
    /* Template definitions for I-
V characteristics. Variable:
    * iv_output_voltage */
    iv_lut_template(my_current_low) {
        variable_1 : iv_output_voltage
        index_1("-1, -0.1, 0, 0.1 0.8, 1.6, 2");
    }
    iv_lut_template(my_current_high) {
        variable_1 : iv_output_voltage
        index_1("-
1, 0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.8, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 2");
    }
    /* Template definitions for propagated noise.
Variables:
    * input_noise_width
    * input_noise_height
    * total_output_net_capacitance */
    propagation_lut_template(my_propagated_noise) {
        variable_1 : input_noise_width;
        variable_2 : input_noise_height;
        variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1("0.01, 0.2, 2");
        index_2("0.2, 0.8");
        index_3("0, 2");
    }
    cell (tieoff_30_esd) {
        pin (high) {
            direction : output;
            capacitance : 0;
            function : "1";
            /* noise information */
            timing() {
                tied_off : true;
                steady_state_resistance_high : 1.22;
                steady_state_resistance_above_high : 1.00;
                steady_state_current_high(iv1x5){
                    index_1("0.3,0.75,1.0,1.2,2");
                    values("-513.2,-447.9,-359.3,-
245.7,497.3");
                }
            }
        }
    }

```

```

    }
    pin (low) {
        direction : output;
        capacitance : 0;
        function : "0";
        /* noise information */
        timing() {
            tied_off : true;
            steady_state_resistance_low : 0.1;
            steady_state_resistance_below_low : 0.4;
            steady_state_current_low(ivlx5){
                index_1("-0.25,0.3,0.5,1.0,1.8");
                values("-
595.4,555.4,690.5,774.75,822.5");
            }
        }
    }
}
}
/* INVERTER */
cell ( INV ) {
    area : 1 ;
    pin ( A ) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 1 ;
        fanout_load : 1 ;
        /* DC noise margins.
noise
margins.
margin
* These are used for compatibility of level shifters. In
* analysis they are the least accurate way to define noise
* Compatible: can coexist in the pin group with any other noise
* definition. */
input_voltage : MY_CMOS_IN ;
/* Timing group defines what is acceptable noise on input pins.
*/
/* Hyperbolic noise immunity.
* Another way to specify noise immunity.
* Mutually exclusive: noise_immunity_low cannot be together
with
* hyperbolic_noise_immunity_low, etc.
* Defines pulse_height = height_coefficient +
* area_coefficient / (width -
width_coefficient)
* Characterization recommendation: use
hyperbolic_noise_immunity_*
* if can fit the curve, otherwise table noise_immunity_*
*/
hyperbolic_noise_low() {

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        height_coefficient : 0.4;
        area_coefficient : 1.1;
        width_coefficient : 0.1;
    }
    hyperbolic_noise_high() {
        height_coefficient : 0.3;
        area_coefficient : 0.9;
        width_coefficient : 0.1;
    }
    hyperbolic_noise_below_low() {
        height_coefficient : 0.1;
        area_coefficient : 0.3;
        width_coefficient : 0.01;
    }
    hyperbolic_noise_above_high() {
        height_coefficient : 0.1;
        area_coefficient : 0.3;
        width_coefficient : 0.01;
    }
} /* end of pin A */
pin ( Y ) {
    direction : output ;
    max_fanout : 10 ;
    function : " !A ";
    output_voltage : MY_CMOS_OUT
    min_input_noise_width : 0.0;
    max_input_noise_width : 2.0;
    timing () {
        related_pin : A ;
        /* Steady-state drive resistance */
        steady_state_resistance_high : 1500;
        steady_state_resistance_low : 1100;
        steady_state_resistance_above_high : 200;
        steady_state_resistance_below_low : 100;
        /* I-V curve.
        * Describes how much current the pin can deliver in a given state
        for
        * a given voltage on the pin. The steady_state_resistance*_max is
        the
        * highest resistance in the I-
        V curve, the
        * steady_state_resistance*_min is the
        lowest.
        * Mutually exclusive: If steady_state_resistance_low*
        or
        * steady_state_resistance_max or steady_state_resistance_min
        is
        * specified, the I-
        V curve cannot be specified.
        * Characterization recommendation: Use steady_state_resistance*

```

```

if
    * an I-V curve cannot be generated.
    * Voltage is measured from the pin to ground, current
measured
    * flowing into the cell (both can be either positive or negative).
*/
    steady_state_current_low(my_current_low)
{
    values("0.1, 0.05, 0, -0.1, -0.25, -
1, -1.8");
}
    steady_state_current_high(my_current_high)
{
    values("2, 1.8, 1.7, 1.4, 1, 0.5, 0,
-0.1, -0.8");
}
cell_rise(scalar) { values("0");}
rise_transition(scalar) { values("0");}
cell_fall(scalar) { values("0");}
fall_transition(scalar) { values("0");}
/* Noise immunity.
* Defines the maximum allowed noise height for given pulse
width.
* Pulse height is the absolute value from the signal
level.
* Any of the following four tables are optional.
*/
    noise_immunity_low (my_noise_reject) {
        values ("1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6");
    }
    noise_immunity_high (my_noise_reject) {
        values ("1.3, 0.8, 0.7, 0.6, 0.55", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6", \
"1.5, 0.9, 0.8, 0.65, 0.6");
    }
    noise_immunity_below_low (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{
        values ("1, 0.8, 0.5", \
"1, 0.8, 0.5", \
"1, 0.8, 0.5");
    }
    noise_immunity_above_high (my_noise_reject_outside_rail)
{
        values ("1, 0.8, 0.5", \

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```

"1, 0.8, 0.5", \
"1, 0.8, 0.5");
}
/* Propagated noise.
* A function of input noise width, height, and
output
* capacitance. Width and height are in separate tables.
*/
propagated_noise_width_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_height_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_width_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_height_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_width_above_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_height_above_high(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
propagated_noise_width_below_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
    values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
"0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
}
}

```

```
        propagated_noise_height_below_low(my_propagated_noise)
{
        values ("0.01, 0.10", "0.15, 0.04", "0.14, 0.18",
\
        "0.05, 0.15", "0.24, 0.07", "0.17, 0.32");
        } /*end propagated noise groups */
    } /* end of timing group */
} /* end of pin (Y) ( */
} /* end of cell (INV) */
} /* end of library (my_noise_lib)
```


14. Advanced Composite Current Source Modeling

This chapter provides an overview of advanced composite current source (CCS) modeling to support nanometer and very deep submicron IC development. The following composite current source modeling topics are covered:

- [Modeling Cells With Advanced Composite Current Source Information](#)
- [Compact CCS Timing Model Support](#)
- [Variation-Aware Timing Modeling Support](#)

14.1 Modeling Cells With Advanced Composite Current Source Information

Composite current source modeling supports additional driver model complexity by using a time- and voltage- dependent current source with essentially an infinite drive resistance. The new driver model achieves high accuracy by not modeling the transistor behavior. Instead, it maps the arbitrary transistor behavior for lumped loads to that for an arbitrary detailed parasitic network.

The composite current source model improves the receiver model accuracy because the input capacitance of a receiver is dynamically adjusted during the transition by using two capacitance values. The driver model can be used with or without the receiver model.

14.2 Compact CCS Timing Model Support

Existing CCS timing driver modeling syntax requires that you describe each CCS driver switching current waveform by adaptively sampling data points. Often, a large amount of data is required to represent the library to model these switching curves. As the number of timing arcs in a standard cell library grows, the CCS timing library size can become very large.

This section describes the syntax of a compact modeling format that uses indirectly shared base curves to model the shape of switching curves. By allowing each base curve to model multiple switching curves with similar shapes, the modeling efficiency is improved and the CCS timing library is efficiently compressed.

The topics in the following sections include:

- Describing CCS timing base curves.
- Describing the syntax of base curves and the compact CCS driver modeling format.

14.3 Variation-Aware Timing Modeling Support

As process technologies scale to nanometer geometries, it is crucial to build variation-

based cell models to solve uncertainties attributed to the variability in the device and interconnect. The CCS timing approach addresses the effects of nanometer processes by enabling advanced driver and receiver modeling.

This modeling capability supports variation parameters and is an extension of compact CCS timing driver modeling. You can even apply variation parameter models to CCS timing models. For more information about compact CCS timing driver modeling, see [“Compact CCS Timing Model Support”](#).

These timing models employ a single current-based behavior that enables the concurrent analysis and optimization of timing issues. The result is a complete open-source current based modeling solution that reduces design margins and speeds design closure.

Process variation is modeled in static timing analysis tools to improve parametric yield and to control the design for corner-based analysis. This section describes the extension for variation-aware timing modeling using the existing CCS syntax.

The following sections include information about

- Variation-aware modeling for compact CCS timing driver models
- Variation-aware modeling for CCS timing receivers
- Variation-aware modeling for regular or interdependent timing constraints
- Conditional data modeling for variation-aware timing receiver models

The amount of data can be reduced by using the compact CCS timing syntax. Without compacting, variation parameter models require more library data storage. You should be familiar with the compact CCS syntax before reading this section.

14.3.1 Variation-Aware Compact CCS Timing Driver Model

This format supports variation parameters. It is an extension of a compact CCS timing driver modeling. The `timing_based_variation` groups specified in the timing group can represent variation-aware CCS driver information in a compact format. The syntax is as follows:

```
library (library_name) {
    ...
    base_curves (base_curves_name) {
        base_curve_type: enum (ccs_timing_half_curve);
        curve_x ("float,...");
        curve_y (integer, "float, ...");
        ...
    }
    compact_lut_template(template_name) {
        base_curves_group : base_curves_name;
        variable_1 : input_net_transition |
total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_2 : input_net_transition |
total_output_net_capacitance;
        variable_3 : curve_parameters;
        ...
    }
    va_parameters(string, ...);
}
```

```

...
    timing() {
        compact_ccs_rise(template_name) {...}
        compact_ccs_fall(template_name) {...}
        timing_based_variation() {
            va_parameters(string, ...);
            nominal_va_values(float, ...);
            va_compact_ccs_rise(template_name) {
                va_values(float, ...);
                values("...", float, ..., integer, ...",
...);
            ...}
        ...
        va_compact_ccs_fall(template_name) { ... }
        ...} /* end of timing based variation */
        ...} /* end of timing group */
    ...
} /* end of library group */

```

timing_based_variation Group

This group specifies rising and falling output transitions for variation parameters. The rising and falling output transitions are specified in `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` respectively.

- The `va_compact_ccs_rise` group is required only if a `compact_ccs_rise` group exists within a timing group.
- The `va_compact_ccs_fall` group is required only if a `compact_ccs_fall` group exists within a timing group.

va_parameters Attribute

The `va_parameters` attribute specifies a list of variation parameters with the following rules:

- One or more variation parameters are allowed.
- Variation parameters are represented by a string.
- Values in `va_parameters` must be unique.
- The `va_parameters` must be defined before being referenced by `nominal_va_values` and `va_values`.

The `va_parameters` attribute can be specified within a variation group or within a library level. `timing_based_variation` can be specified within a timing group only, and `pin_based_variation` can be specified within a pin group only. None of these can be specified within a library group.

- If the `va_parameters` attribute is specified at the library level, all cells under the library default to the same variation parameters.
- If the `va_parameters` attribute is defined in the `variation` group, all

`va_values` and `nominal_va_values` under the same variation group refers to this `va_parameters`.

The attribute values can be user-defined or predefined parameters. For more information, see [Example 14-1](#).

The parameters defined in `default_operating_conditions` are `process`, `temperature`, and `voltage`. The voltage names are defined by using the `voltage_map` complex attribute. For more information see "[voltage_map Complex Attribute](#)".

You can use the following predefined parameters:

- For the parameters defined in `operating_conditions`, if `voltage_map` is defined, and you specify these attributes as values of `va_parameters`.
- For the parameters defined in `operating_conditions`, if there is no `voltage_map` attribute at library level, and you specify these attributes as values of `va_parameters`.

nominal_va_values Attribute

This attribute characterizes nominal values of all variation parameters.

- It is required for every `timing_based_variation` group.
- The value of this attribute has a one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters`.
- If a nominal compact CCS driver model group and a variation-aware compact CCS driver model group are defined under the same timing group, the nominal values are applied to the nominal compact CCS driver model group.

va_compact_ccs_rise and va_compact_ccs_fall Groups

The `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups specify characterization corners with variation value parameters.

- These groups can be specified under different `timing_based_variation` groups if they cannot share the same `va_parameters`.
- You should characterize two corners at each side of the nominal value of all variation parameters as specified in `va_parameters`. When corners are characterized for one of the parameters, all other variations are assumed to be nominal values. Therefore, a `timing_based_variation` group with N variation parameters requires exactly $2N$ characterization corners. For an example, see [Example 14-2](#).
- All variation-aware compact CCS driver model groups inside the `timing_based_variation` share the same `va_parameters`.

va_values Attribute

The `va_values` attribute specifies values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in the variation-aware compact CCS driver model groups.

- Required for the variation-aware compact CCS driver model groups.
- The value of this attribute has a one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters`.

For an example that shows how to specify `va_values` with three variation parameters, see [Example 14-3](#). In the example, the first variation parameter has a nominal value of 0.50, the second parameter has a nominal value of 1.0, and the third parameter has a nominal value of 2.0. All parameters have a variation range of -10% to +10%.

values Attribute

The `values` attribute follows the same rules as the nominal compact CCS driver model groups with the following exceptions:

- The `left_id` and `right_id` are optional.
- The `left_id` and `right_id` values must be used together. They can either be omitted or defined together in the `compact_lut_template`.
- If `left_id` and `right_id` are not defined in the variation-aware compact CCS driver model group, they default to the values defined in the nominal compact CCS driver model group.

timing_based_variation and pin_based_variation Groups

These groups represent variation-aware receiver capacitance information under the timing and pin groups.

- If `receiver_capacitance` group exists in pin group, variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are required in `pin_based_variation`.
- If nominal CCS receiver model groups exist in the timing group, variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are required in `timing_based_variation`.

va_parameters Attribute

The `va_parameters` attribute specifies a list of variation parameters within a `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation` group. See [“va_parameters Attribute”](#) for details.

nominal_va_values Attribute

The `nominal_va_values` attribute characterizes nominal values for all variation parameters. The following list describes the `nominal_va_values` attribute.

- The attribute is required in the `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups.
- The value of this attribute has one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters` attribute.
- In pin-based models, if nominal CCS receiver model and variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are defined under the same pin, the nominal values are applied to the nominal CCS receiver model groups. For an example, see [Example 14-5](#).
- In timing-based models, if the nominal compact CCS driver model group and variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are defined under the same timing group, the nominal values are applied to the nominal compact CCS driver model groups.

va_receiver_capacitance1_rise, va_receiver_capacitance1_fall, va_receiver_capacitance2_rise, va_receiver_capacitance2_fall Groups

These groups specify characterization corners with variation values in `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups.

- You should characterize two corners at each side of the nominal value of all variation parameters specified in `va_parameters`.
When corners are characterized for one of parameters, all other variations are assumed to be nominal value. Therefore, for a `timing_based_variation` group with N variation parameters, exactly $2N$ characterization corner groups are required. This same rule applies to `pin_based_variation`.
- All variation-aware CCS receiver model groups in `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation` group share the same `va_parameters`.

va_values Attribute

Specifies values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in variation-aware CCS receiver model groups.

- The attribute is required for variation-aware CCS receiver model groups.
- The value of this attribute has one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters` attribute.

14.3.2 Variation-Aware CCS Timing Receiver Model

The variation-aware CCS receiver model is expected to be used together with variation-aware compact CCS driver model. The `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups specify timing and pin groups respectively. In both groups, the variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are used to represent variation-aware CCS receiver information. They are defined in the following syntax and sections.

```
library() {
    ...
    lu_table_template(timing_based_template_name) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
        ...
    }
    lu_table_template(pin_based_template_name) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        ...
    }
    va_parameters(string , ...);
    ...
    pin(pin_name) {
        receiver_capacitance() {
            receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name) {...}
            receiver_capacitance2_rise(template_name) {...}
            receiver_capacitance1_fall(template_name) {...}
            receiver_capacitance2_fall(template_name) {...}
        }
    }
    pin_based_variation() {
        va_parameters(string, ... );
    }
}
```

```

nominal_va_values(float,...);
va_receiver_capacitance1_rise(pin_based_template_name) {

    va_values(float, ...);
    values("float, ...", ...);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise(pin_based_template_name)
{...}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall(pin_based_template_name)
{...}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall(pin_based_template_name)
{...}
...
} /* end of pin_based_variation */
...} /* end of pin */
...
pin(pin_name) {
...
    timing() {
        receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name) {...}
        receiver_capacitance2_rise(template_name) {...}
        receiver_capacitance1_fall(template_name) {...}
        receiver_capacitance2_fall(template_name) {...}
        timing_based_variation() {
            va_parameters(string, ... );
            nominal_va_values(float, ...);
            va_receiver_capacitance1_rise(timing_based_template_name) {

                va_values(float, ...);
                values("float, ...", ...);
                ...
            }
            va_receiver_capacitance2_rise(timing_based_template_name) {

                va_receiver_capacitance1_fall(timing_based_template_name) {

                    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall(timing_based_template_name) {

                        ...
                    } /* end of timing_based_variation */
                }
            }
        } /* end of timing */
    }
} /* end of pin */
...

```

timing_based_variation and pin_based_variation Groups

These groups represent variation-aware receiver capacitance information under the pin

or timing group level.

- If the `receiver_capacitance` group exists in the pin group, variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are required in the `pin_based_variation` group.
- If nominal CCS receiver model groups exist in the timing group, variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are required in the `timing_based_variation` group.

[va_parameters Complex Attribute](#)

This attribute specifies a list of variation parameters within the `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation` groups. See [“va_parameters Attribute”](#) for more details.

[nominal_va_values Complex Attribute](#)

This complex attribute specifies the nominal values of all variation parameters.

- The attribute is required for the `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups.
- The value of this attribute has one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters` attribute.
- In a pin-based model, if nominal CCS receiver model and variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are defined under the same pin, the nominal values are applied to nominal CCS receiver model groups. For an example, see [Example 14-5](#).
- In a timing-based model, if nominal CCS receiver model and variation-aware CCS receiver model groups are defined under the same timing group, the nominal values are applied to nominal CCS receiver model groups.

[va_receiver_capacitance1_rise, va_receiver_capacitance1_fall, va_receiver_capacitance2_rise, and va_receiver_capacitance2_fall Groups](#)

These groups specify characterization corners with variation values in the `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups.

- You should characterize two corners at each side of the nominal value of all variation parameters specified in `va_parameters` attribute.
When corners are characterized for one of the parameters, all other variations are assuming to be nominal value. Therefore, for a `timing_based_variation` group with N variation parameters, exactly 2N characterization corner groups are required. This rule also applies to `pin_based_variation`.
- All variation-aware CCS receiver model groups in `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation` group share the same `va_parameters`.

[va_values Attribute](#)

Specifies values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in variation-aware CCS receiver model groups.

- Required for variation-aware CCS receiver model groups.
- The value of this attribute has one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters` attribute.

14.3.3 Variation-Aware Timing Constraint Modeling

This syntax supports variation parameters. It is an extension of the timing constraint modeling. It also applies to interdependent setup and hold. The `timing_based_variation` groups specified in the timing group represent variation-aware timing constraint sensitive information, which is defined in the following syntax:

```

library() {
    ...
    lu_table_template(template_name) {
        variable_1 : variables;
        variable_2 : variables;
        variable_3 : variables;
        ...
    }
    va_parameters(string, ...);
    ...
    timing () {
        ...
        interdependence_id : integer;
        rise_constraint(template_name) { ... }
        fall_constraint(template_name) { ... }
        timing_based_variation() {
            va_parameters(string, ...);
            nominal_va_values(float, ...);
            va_rise_constraint(template_name) {
                va_values(float, ...);
                values("float, ...");
                ...
            }
            va_fall_constraint(template_name) { ... }
            ...
        } /* end of timing_based_variation */
        ...
    } /* end of timing */
    ...
} /* end of library */

```

timing_based_variation Group

The `timing_based_variation` group specifies the rise and fall timing constraints for variation parameters within a timing group. The rise and fall timing constraints are specified in the `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups respectively.

- The `va_rise_constraint` group is required only if `rise_constraint` group exists within a timing group.
- The `va_fall_constraint` group is required only if `fall_constraint` group exists within a timing group.

va_parameters Complex Attribute

This complex attribute specifies a list of variation parameters within `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation`. See [“va_parameters Attribute”](#) for details.

nominal_va_values Complex Attribute

This complex attribute is used to specify nominal values of all variation parameters. See [“nominal_va_values Attribute”](#) for more information.

va_rise_constraint and va_fall_constraint Groups

The `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups specify characterization corners with variation values in `timing_based_variation`.

- The template name refers to the `lu_table_template` group.
- Both groups can be specified under different `timing_based_variation` groups if they cannot share the same `va_parameters` attribute.
- You are expected to characterize two corners at each side of the nominal value of all variation parameters as specified in `va_parameters` attribute.
When corners are characterized for one parameter, all other variations are assumed to be of nominal value. Therefore, for a `timing_based_variation` group with N variation parameters, exactly $2N$ characterization corners are required.
- All the `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups in the `timing_based_variation` group share the same `va_parameters` attribute.

va_values Attribute

Specifies values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in the `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups.

- Required for the `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups.
- The value of this attribute has a one-to-one mapping to the corresponding `va_parameters` attribute.

14.3.4 Conditional Data Modeling for Variation-Aware Timing Receiver Models

Liberty provides the following syntax to support conditional data modeling for pin-based variation-aware timing receiver models:

```
library(library_name) {  
    ...  
    lu_table_template(timing_based_template_name) {  
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;  
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;  
    ...  
    }  
    lu_table_template(pin_based_template_name) {  
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```

}
va_parameters(string, ...);
...

cell(cell_name) {
mode_definition (mode_name) {
  mode_value(namestring) {
    when : "boolean expression";
    sdf_cond : "boolean expression";
  } ...
} ...
pin(pin_name) {
  direction : input; /* or "inout" */
  receiver_capacitance() {
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    receiver_capacitance1_rise (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall (template_name) { ... }
  }
  pin_based_variation() {
    /* The "when" and "mode" attributes should be exactly the same as
defined in the
receiver_capacitance group above */
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    va_parameters(string, ...);
    nominal_va_values(float, ...);
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (pin_based_template_name) { ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (pin_based_template_name) { ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (pin_based_template_name) { ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (pin_based_template_name) { ...
}
...
}/* end of pin_based_variation */
...
}/* end of pin group */
pin(pin_name) {
  direction : output; /* or "inout" */
  timing() {
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    ...
    receiver_capacitance() {

```

```

    receiver_capacitance1_rise (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise (template_name) { ... }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall (template_name) { ... }
}

timing_based_variation() {
va_parameters(string, ...);
nominal_va_values(float, ...);
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (timing_based_template_name)
{...}
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (timing_based_template_name) {...}

    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (timing_based_template_name) {...}

    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (timing_based_template_name) {...}

    ...
} /* end of timing_based_variation */
}

...
} /* end of pin group */
} /* end of cell group */

...
} /*end of library */

```

when Attribute

The `when` string attribute is provided in the `pin_based_variation` group to support conditional data modeling.

mode Attribute

The `mode` complex attribute is provided in the `pin_based_variation` group to support conditional data modeling. If the `mode` attribute is specified, `mode_name` and `mode_value` must be predefined in the `mode_definition` group at the cell level.

The following example shows conditional data modeling for pin-based variation-aware timing receiver models:

```

library(new_lib) {
...
output_current_template(CCT) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3: time;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2");
    index_2("1, 2");
    index_3("1, 2, 3, 4, 5");
}
lu_table_template(LTT1) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
}
}

```

```

lu_table_template(LTT2) {
  variable_1: input_net_transition;
  variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
  index_1("0.1, 0.2");
  index_2("1, 2");
}
...
cell(my_cell) {
  ...
  mode_definition(rw) {
    mode_value(read) {
      when : "I";
      sdf_cond : "I == 1";
    }
    mode_value(write) {
      when : "!I";
      sdf_cond : "I == 0";
    }
  }
}
pin(I) { /* pin-based receiver model defined for pin 'A' */
  direction : input;
  /* receiver capacitance for condition 1 */
  receiver_capacitance() {
    when : "I"; /* or using mode as next commented line */
    /* mode (rw, read); */
    receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
      values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
      values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
      values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
      values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
  }
}
pin_based_variation ( ) {
  when : "I"; /* or using mode as next commented line */
  /* mode (rw, read); */
  va_parameters(channel_length, threshold_voltage);

  nominal_va_values(0.5, 0.5) ;

  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.5);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
}

```

```
va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.55, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.45);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.55);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.45, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.55, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.45);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.55);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.45, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.55, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.45);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.50, 0.55);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.45, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {  
  va_values(0.55, 0.5);  
  values("1, 2, 3, 4");  
}
```

```

/* receiver capacitance for condition 2 */
receiver_capacitance() {
  when : "!"; /* or using mode as next commented line */
  /* mode (rw, write); */
  receiver_capacitance1_rise(LTT1) {
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  receiver_capacitance1_fall(LTT1) {
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  receiver_capacitance2_rise(LTT1) {
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  receiver_capacitance2_fall(LTT1) {
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
}
pin_based_variation ( ) {
  when : "!"; /* or using mode as next commented line */
  /* mode (rw, write); */

  va_parameters(channel_length, threshold_voltage);

  nominal_va_values(0.5, 0.5) ;

  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.5);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.5);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }

  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.5);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LTT1) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.5);
    values("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
}

```

```

    }

    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.55);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.45, 0.5);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.55, 0.5);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }

    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.55);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.45, 0.5);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LTT1) {
        va_values(0.55, 0.5);
        values("1, 2, 3, 4");
    }

}
pin (ZN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.2;
    ...
    timing() {
        ...
    }
}
...
} /* end cell */
...
} /* end library */

```

14.3.5 Variation-Aware Compact CCS Retain Arcs

Variation-aware timing models include:

- Timing-based modeling for compact CCS timing drivers.
- Timing-based and pin-based modeling for CCS timing receivers.

- Timing-based modeling for regular or interdependent timing constraints.

Liberty provides the following syntax in the `timing_based_variation` group to support retain arcs for compact CCS driver models:

```
library (library_name) {
  ...
  base_curves (base_curves_name) {
    base_curve_type: enum (ccs_timing_half_curve);
    curve_x ("float, ...");
    curve_y (integer, "float...");
    ...
  }
  compact_lut_template(template_name) {
    base_curves_group : base_curves_name;
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3 : curve_parameters;
    ...
  }
  va_parameters(string , ...);
  ...
  cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    pin(pin_name) {
      direction : string;
      capacitance : float;
      timing() {
        compact_ccs_rise(template_name) { ... }
        compact_ccs_fall(template_name) { ... }
        timing_based_variation() {
          va_parameters(string , ... );
          nominal_va_values(float, ...);
          va_compact_ccs_retain_rise(template_name) {
            va_values(float, ...);
            values ("...", float, ..., integer, ..., ...);
          }
          ...
          va_compact_ccs_retain_fall(template_name) {
            va_values(float, ...);
            values ("...", float, ..., integer, ..., ...);
          }
          ...
          va_compact_ccs_rise(template_name) { ... } ...
          va_compact_ccs_fall(template_name) { ... } ...
        } /* end of timing_based_variation group */
        ...
      } /* end of pin group */
      ...
    } /* end of cell group */
    ...
  } /* end of library group*/
}
```

The format of variation-aware compact CCS retain arcs is the same as general variation-aware compact CCS timing arcs.

va_compact_ccs_retain_rise and va_compact_ccs_retain_fall Groups

The `va_compact_ccs_retain_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_retain_fall` groups in the `timing_based_variation` group specify characterization corners with variation value parameters for retain arcs.

va_values Attribute

The `va_values` attribute defines the values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in variation-aware compact CCS retain arcs. The value of this attribute is mapped one-to-one to the corresponding `va_parameters`.

values Attribute

The `values` attribute follows the same rules as general variation-aware compact CCS timing models.

14.3.6 Variation-Aware Syntax Examples

Example 14-1 `va_parameters` in Advanced CCS Modeling Usage

```
library (example) {
  ...
  operating_conditions (typical) {
    process : 1.5 ;
    temperature : 70 ;
    voltage : 2.75 ;
    ...
  }
  default_operating_conditions: typical;
  ...
  /* " temperature", "voltage" and "process" are predefined
parameters, and "Vthr" is an user-defined parameter. */

    va_parameters(temperature, voltage, process, Vthr, ...);
  ...
}

library (example) {
  ...
  operating_conditions (typical) {
    process : 1.5 ;
    temperature : 70 ;
    voltage : 2.75 ;
    ...
  }
  voltage_map(VDD1, 2.75);
}
```

```

voltage_map(GND2, 0.2);
default_operating_conditions: typical;
...
/* "VDD1" and "GND2" are predefined parameters, and
   "voltage" is taken as an user-
defined parameter. */

va_parameters(VDD1, GND2, voltage,...);

```

For information about `va_parameters`, see [“va_parameters Attribute”](#).

Example 14-2 `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` Groups

```

...
timing() {
    ...
    compact_ccs_rise(temp) { /* nominal I-V waveform */
        ...
    }
    timing_based_variation() {
        va_parameters(string, ... ); /* N variation parameters
*/
        ...
        va_compact_ccs_rise(temp) { /* 1st corner */
            ...
        }
        ...
        va_compact_ccs_rise(temp) { /* last corner : total (2 * N) corners
*/
            ...
        }
    } /* end of timing_based_variation */
    ...
} /* end of timing */
...

```

For information about `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall`, see [“va_compact_ccs_rise and va_compact_ccs_fall Groups”](#).

Example 14-3 `va_values` With Three Variation Parameters

```

...
timing_based_variation ( ) {
    va_parameters(var1, var2, var3); /* assumed that three variation
parameters are var1, var2 and var3 */

```

```

nominal_va_values(0.5, 1.0, 2.0);
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.50, 1.0, 1.8);
    ...
}
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.50, 1.0, 2.2);
    ...
}
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.9, 2.0);
    ...
}
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.50, 1.1, 2.0);
    ...
}
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.45, 1.0, 2.0);
    ...
}
va_compact_ccs_rise ( ) {
    va_values(0.55, 1.0, 2.0);
    ...
}
}
...

```

For information about using `va_values` with the `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups, see [“`va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` Groups”](#).

Example 14-4 *peak_voltage in Values Attribute*

```

...
library(va_ccs) {
    compact_lut_template(clt) {
        index_3 ("init_current, peak_current, peak_voltage, peak_time,\

                left_id, right_id");
        ...
    }
    voltage_map(VDD1, 3.0);
    voltage_map(VDD2, 3.5);
    voltage_map(GND1, 0.5);
    voltage_map(GND2, 0.2);
    ...
    cell(test) {
        pg_pin(v1) {

```

```

    voltage_name : VDD1;
    ...
}
pg_pin(v2) {
    voltage_name : VDD2;
    ...
}
pg_pin(g1) {
    voltage_name : GND1;
    ...
}
pg_pin(g2) {
    voltage_name : GND2;
    ...
}
...
timing() {
    timing_based_variation ( ) {
        va_parameters(Vthr);
        nominal_va_values(0.23);

        va_compact_ccs_rise (clt ) {
            /* error : There are two power pins (v1 and v2)

               and two ground pins (g1 and g2) in the cell "test".

               The peak_voltage cannot be greater than the largest
power
               voltage, which is 3.5, and less than the smallest ground

               voltage,
               which is 0.2. The value 4.0 is greater than 3.5 and 0.1

               is less than 0.2. Both of them are wrong. */

               va_values(0.25);
               values("0.21, 0.54, 4.0, 0.36, 1, 2",\
                   "0.15, 0.55, 0.1, 0.85, 2, 4", ...);
               ...
            }
            ...
        }
        timing_based_variation ( ) {
            va_parameters(Vthr, VDD2, GND2);
            nominal_va_values(0.23, 3.5, 0.2);
            va_compact_ccs_rise ( clt) {
                /* In this group, the variation value of VDD2 is 4.1,

                   and GND2 is 0.0, so the largest power voltage is 4.1 and

```

```

the smallest ground voltage is 0.0. The peak_voltage 4.0.
*/

    va_values(0.18, 4.1, 0.0);
    values("0.21, 0.54, 4.0, 0.36, 1, 2", \
          "0.15, 0.55, 0.1, 0.85, 2, 4", ...);
    ...
}
...

```

For information about `peak_voltage` in values attribute see [“va_compact_ccs_rise and va_compact_ccs_fall Groups”](#).

Example 14-5 `pin_based_variation` Group

```

...
pin(pin_name) {
    receiver_capacitance() {
        receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name) {
            /* nominal input capacitance table */
            ...
        }
    }
    pin_based_variation() {
        nominal_va_values(2.0, 4.54, 0.23);
        /* These nominal values apply to nominal input capacitance tables.
*/
        va_receiver_capacitance1_rise(template_name) {
            /* variational input capacitance table */
            ...
        }
        ...
    }
    ...
} /* end of pin */
...

```

For information about `peak_voltage` in values attribute see [“timing_based_variation and pin_based_variation Groups”](#).

Example 14-6 `pin-based Model With nominal CCS receiver model and Variation-aware CCS Receiver Model Groups`

```

/* Assume that there is no va_parameters defined */
library(lib_name) {
    ...

```

```

timing() {
  timing_based_variation() {
    va_compact_ccs_rise(cltdf) {
      base_curves_group : base_name;
      va_values(2.4)
      /* error : can't find a corresponding va_parameters */ ...}

    ...
  } /* end of timing_based_variation */
  ...
} /* end of library */

/* Assume that va_parameters is defined at the end of
timing_based_variation
group and no default va_parameters is defined at library level
*/
...
  timing_based_variation() {
    nominal_va_values(2.0);
    /* error : can't find a corresponding va_parameters
*/
    ...
    va_parameters(Vthr);
    /* within a timing_based_variation, this is defined before

all nominal_va_values and va_values attributes */
  } /* end of timing_based_variation */
  ...

/* Assume that va_parameters is defined only at library level
*/
...
library(lib_name) {
  ...
  timing_based_variation() {
    nominal_va_values(2.0);
    /* error : can't find a corresponding va_parameters
*/
    ...
  }
  ...
  va_parameters(Vthr);
  /* within a library, this is defined before all
cell groups (or all nominal_va_values and va_values
attributes) */
} /* end of library */

```

For information about `peak_voltage` in values attribute see [“timing_based_variation Group”](#).

Example 14-7 `nominal_va_values` in Advanced CCS Modeling Usage

```
/* ASSUME that there is no voltage_map defined in library
*/

library (example) {
  operating_conditions (typical) {
    process : 1.5 ;
    temperature : 70 ;
    voltage : 2.75 ;
    ...
  }
  default_operating_conditions: typical;
  ...
  timing_based_variation() {
    va_parameters(voltage, temperature, process);
    nominal_va_values(2.00, 70, 1.5);
    /* error : The nominal voltage defined in
    default_operating_conditions is 2.75. The value 2.00 is wrong.
  */
}
```

```
/* There is voltage_map defined at library level. */
library (example) {
  operating_conditions (typical) {
    process : 1.5 ;
    temperature : 70 ;
    voltage : 2.75 ;
    ...
  }
  voltage_map(VDD1, 2.75);
  default_operating_conditions: typical;
  ...
  timing_based_variation() {
    va_parameters(voltage);
    nominal_va_values(2.00);
    /* Note: "voltage" is an user-defined parameter. */
  }
  ...
}
```

Example 14-8 `Variational Values` in Advanced CCS Modeling Usage

```
/* When var2 has a nominal value (1.0), var1 has three variational values
```


(0.45, 0.55 and 0.50). However, only two values are allowed.

When var1 has a nominal value (0.50), var2 has two variational values

(0.8 and 1.0). The value 0.8 is less than the nominal value (1.0).

However, the value 1.0 is not greater than the nominal value,

and this is incorrect. */

```
...
timing_based_variation ( ) {
    va_parameters(var1, var2);
    nominal_va_values(0.50, 1.0);
    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (temp_1) {
        va_values(0.45, 1.0);
        ...
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (temp_1) {
        va_values(0.55, 1.0);
        ...
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (temp_1) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.8);
        ...
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (temp_1) {
        va_values(0.50, 1.0);
        ...
    }
}
...

```

Example 14-9 Variation-Aware CCS Driver or Receiver with Timing Constraints

```
library(my_lib) {
    ...
    base_curves (ctbct1){
        base_curve_type : ccs_timing_half_curve;
        curve_x("0.2, 0.5, 0.8");
        curve_y(1, "0.8, 0.5, 0.2");
        curve_y(2, "0.75, 0.5, 0.35") ;
        curve_y(3, "0.7, 0.5, 0.45") ;
        ...
        curve_y(37, "0.23, 1.4, 6.23") ;
    }
    compact_lut_template(LUT4x4) {
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    }
}

```

```

variable_3 : curve_parameters;
index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4");
index_2("1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0");
index_3 ("init_current, peak_current, peak_voltage, peak_time,\

        left_id, right_id");

base_curves_group: "ctbct1";
}
lu_table_template(LUT3) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    index_1("0.1, 0.3, 0.5");
}
lu_table_template(LUT3x3) {
    variable_1: input_net_transition;
    variable_2: total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1("0.1, 0.3, 0.5");
    index_2("1.0, 3.0, 5.0");
}
lu_table_template(LUT5x5) {
    variable_1: constrained_pin_transition;
    variable_2: related_pin_transition;
    index_1("0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1");
    index_2("0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1");
}
...
cell(INV1) {
    ...
    pin (A) {
        direction: input;
        capacitance: 0.3;
        receiver_capacitance ( ) {
            ...
        }
    }
    pin_based_variation ( ) {
        va_parameters(channel_length, threshold_voltage);
        nominal_va_values(0.5, 0.5) ;
        va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {
            va_values(0.50, 0.45);
            values("0.29, 0.30, 0.31");
        }
        va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {
            va_values(0.50, 0.55);
            ...
        }
        va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {
            va_values(0.45, 0.50);
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```

va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("0.19, 8.60, 5.41");
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("0.53, 2.16, 9.18");
}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    values("0.39, 0.98, 5.15");
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.50);
}

```

```

    ...
  }
}
/* end of pin */
pin (Y) {
  direction: output;
  timing ( ) {
    related_pin: "A";
    compact_ccs_rise(LUT4x4) {
      ...
    }
    compact_ccs_fall(LUT4x4) {
      ...
    }
    timing_based_variation() {

      va_parameters(channel_length,
threshold_voltage);
      nominal_va_values(0.50, 0.50);
      va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4 ) { /* without optional fields
*/
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \
              "0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \
              "0.2, 0.6, 0.7, 0.9, 3, 2", \
              "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 1,3", \
              "0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 4,5", \
              "0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 2,4", \
              "0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 7,8", \
              "0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 10,4", \
              "0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 11, 2", \
              "0.25, 0.55, 1.65, 1.85, 3, 4", \
              "1.2, 1.6, 1.7, 1.9, 5, 2", \
              "1.1, 2.2, 2.3, 0.4, 1,30", \
              "1.2, 2.3, 1.4, 0.5, 17,5", \
              "1.3, 2.4, 1.5, 0.6, 22,24", \
              "1.4, 2.5, 1.6, 1.7, 17,18", \
              "1.5, 2.6, 0.7, 0.8, 10,33");
        }
      va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4 ) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.55);
        ...
      }
      va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4 ) {
        va_values(0.45, 0.50);
        ...
      }
      va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4 ) {
        va_values(0.55, 0.50);
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

```

        }
        va_compact_ccs_fall (LUT4x4 ) { /* without optional fields
*/
        ...
        }
        ...
    } /* end of timing_based_variation */
    ...
} /* end of timing */
...
} /* end of pin */
...
} /* end of cell */
...

cell(INV4) {
    ...
    pin (Y) {
        direction: output;
        timing ( ) {
            related_pin: "A";
            receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3x3) {
                ...
            }
            receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3x3) {
                ...
            }
            receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3x3) {
                ...
            }
            receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3x3) {
                ...
            }
            ...
        }
        rise_constraint(LUT5x5) {
            ...
        }
        fall_constraint(LUT5x5) {
            ...
        }
        timing_based_variation ( ) {

va_parameters(channel_length,threshold_voltage);
        nominal_va_values(0.50, 0.50) ;
        va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3x3) {
            va_values(0.50, 0.45);
            values( "1.10, 1.20, 1.30", \
                "1.11, 1.21, 1.31", \
                "1.12, 1.22, 1.32");
        }
        va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3x3) {

```

```

        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("1.20, 1.30, 1.40", \
              "1.21, 1.31, 1.41", \
              "1.22, 1.32, 1.42");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3x3) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("1.10, 1.20, 1.30", \
              "1.11, 1.21, 1.31", \
              "1.12, 1.22, 1.32");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3x3) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values("1.20, 1.30, 1.40", \
              "1.21, 1.31, 1.41", \
              "1.22, 1.32, 1.42");
    }
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3x3) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.55);
        ...
    }
    ...
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3x3) {
        va_values(0.45, 0.50);
        ...
    }
    ...
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3x3) {
        va_values(0.55, 0.50);
        ...
    }
    ...
    va_rise_constraint(LUT5x5) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.45);
        values( "-0.1452, -0.1452, -0.1452, -
0.1452, 0.3329", \
              "-0.1452, -0.1452, -0.1452, -
0.1452, 0.3952", \
              "-0.1245, -0.1452, -0.1452, -
0.1358, 0.5142", \
              " 0.05829, 0.0216, 0.01068, 0.06927, 0.723",
\
              " 1.263, 1.227, 1.223, 1.283, 1.963");
    }
    va_rise_constraint(LUT5x5) {
        va_values(0.50, 0.55);
        ...
    }
    va_rise_constraint(LUT5x5) {
        va_values(0.55, 0.50);

```

```

    ...
}
va_rise_constraint(LUT5x5) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_fall_constraint(LUT5x5) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.55);
    ...
}
va_fall_constraint(LUT5x5) {
    va_values(0.55, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_fall_constraint(LUT5x5) {
    va_values(0.45, 0.50);
    ...
}
va_fall_constraint(LUT5x5) {
    va_values(0.50, 0.45);
    ...
}
} /* end of timing_based_variation */
...
} /* end of timing */
...
} /* end of pin */
...
} /* end of cell */
...
} /* end of library */

```

15. Composite Current Source Signal Integrity Modeling

This chapter provides an overview of composite current source (CCS) modeling to support noise (signal integrity) modeling for advanced technologies. This chapter includes the following sections:

- [CCS Signal Integrity Modeling Overview](#)
- [CCS Noise Modeling for Unbuffered Cells With a Pass Gate](#)
- [CCS Noise Modeling for Multivoltage Designs](#)

15.1 CCS Signal Integrity Modeling Overview

CCS noise modeling can capture essential noise properties of digital circuits using a compact library representation. It enables fast and accurate gate-level noise analysis while maintaining a relatively simple library characterization. CCS noise modeling supports noise combination and driver weakening.

CCS noise is characterization data that provides information for noise failure detection on cell inputs, calculation of noise bumps on cell outputs, and noise propagation through the cell. For the best accuracy, you must add CCS timing data to the library in addition to the CCS noise data. The CCS noise data includes the following:

- Channel-connected block parameters
- DC current tables
- Timing tables for rising and falling transitions
- Timing tables for low and high propagated noise

15.1.1 CCS Signal Integrity Modeling Syntax

```
library (name) {  
    ...  
    lu_table_template(dc_template_name) {  
        variable_1 : input_voltage;  
        variable_2 : output_voltage;  
    }  
    lu_table_template(output_voltage_template_name) {  
        variable_1 : input_net_transition;  
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;  
        variable_3 : time;  
    }  
    lu_table_template(propagated_noise_template_name) {  
        variable_1 : input_noise_height;  
        variable_2 : input_noise_width;  
        variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;  
        variable_4 : time;  
    }  
}
```



```

}
cell (name) {
  pin (name) {
    ...
    ccsn_first_stage () {
      is_needed : true | false;
      is_inverting : boolean;
      stage_type : stage_type_value;
      miller_cap_rise : float;
      miller_cap_fall : float;
      output_signal_level : power_supply_name;
      dc_current (dc_current_template)
        index_1(float, ...);
        index_2(float, ...);
        values(float, ...);

    }

    output_voltage_rise ( )
      vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float, ...);
        values(float, ...);
      }
      ...
    }

    output_voltage_fall ( ) {
      vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float, ...);
        values(float, ...);
      }
      ...
    }

    propagated_noise_low ( ) {
      vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4(float, ...);
        values(float, ...);
      }
      ...
    }

    propagated_noise_high ( ) {
      vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {

```

```

        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
when : "boolean expression";
} /* ccsn_first_stage */
ccsn_last_stage () {
    is_needed : true | false;
    is_inverting : boolean;
    stage_type : stage_type_value;
    miller_cap_rise : float;
    miller_cap_fall : float;
    input_signal_level : power_supply_name;
    dc_current (dc_current_template)
        index_1("float, ...");
        index_2("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
output_voltage_rise ( )
    vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
output_voltage_fall ( ) {
    vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
propagated_noise_low ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
}

```

```

propagated_noise_high ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
when : "boolean expression";
} /* ccsn_last_stage */
...
timing() {
...
    ccsn_first_stage ( ) {
        is_needed : true | false;
        is_inverting : boolean;
        stage_type : stage_type_value;
        miller_cap_rise : float;
        miller_cap_fall : float;
        output_signal_level : power_supply_name;
        dc_current (dc_current_template)
            index_1("float, ...");
            index_2("float, ...");
            values("float, ...");
    }

    ...

    output_voltage_rise ( )
        vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
            index_1(float);
            index_2(float);
            index_3("float, ...");
            values("float, ...");
        }
        ...
    }

    output_voltage_fall ( ) {
        vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
            index_1(float);
            index_2(float);
            index_3("float, ...");
            values("float, ...");
        }
        ...
    }
}

```

```

}
propagated_noise_low ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
propagated_noise_high ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
when : "boolean expression";
    } /* ccsn_first_stage */
ccsn_last_stage ( ) {
    is_needed : true | false;
    is_inverting : boolean;
    stage_type : stage_type_value;
    miller_cap_rise : float;
    miller_cap_fall : float;
    input_signal_level : power_supply_name;
    dc_current (dc_current_template)
        index_1("float, ...");
        index_2("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
}

output_voltage_rise ( )
    vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
output_voltage_fall ( ) {
    vector (output_voltage_template_name) {

```

```

        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...

}
propagated_noise_low ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
propagated_noise_high ( ) {
    vector (propagated_noise_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
        index_2(float);
        index_3(float);
        index_4("float, ...");
        values("float, ...");
    }
    ...
}
when : "boolean expression";
} /* ccsn_last_stage */
} /* end timing/pin/cell/library group */

```

15.1.2 Library-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes the library-level groups and attributes used for CCS noise modeling.

lu_table_template Group

The `lu_table_template` group creates the lookup-table template for the `dc_current` group and vectors for the `output_voltage_rise`, `output_voltage_fall`, `propagated_noise_high`, and `propagated_noise_low` groups.

variable_1, variable_2, variable_3, and variable_4 Attributes

Set the `variable_1`, `variable_2`, `variable_3`, and `variable_4` attributes inside the `lu_table_template` group.

You can specify the template used for the following tables and vectors by using a

combination of these attributes:

- The `output_current_rise` and `output_current_fall` group vectors
Valid values for `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3` are `input_net_transition`, `total_output_net_capacitance`, and `time`, respectively.
- The `propagated_noise_low` and `propagated_noise_high` group vectors
Valid values for `variable_1`, `variable_2`, `variable_3`, and `variable_4` are `input_noise_height`, `input_noise_width`, `total_output_net_capacitance`, and `time`, respectively.
- The template used for the `dc_current` tables
Valid values for `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_voltage` and `output_voltage`, respectively.

15.1.3 Pin-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes the pin-level groups and attributes used for CCS noise modeling.

`ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` Groups

The `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups specify CCS noise data for the first stage or the last stage of channel-connected blocks. The `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups can be defined inside timing or pin groups.

The `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups contain the following:

- The `is_needed`, `is_inverting`, `stage_type`, `miller_cap_rise` and `miller_cap_fall`, and `output_signal_level` or `input_signal_level` channel-connected block attributes
- The `dc_current` group, which contains a two-dimensional DC current table
- The `output_current_rise` and `output_current_fall` groups, which contain two timing tables for rising and falling transitions.
- The `propagated_noise_low` and `propagated_noise_high` groups, which contain two noise tables for low and high propagated noise.

Note:

If the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups are defined at the pin level, the `ccsn_first_stage` group can be defined only in an input pin or inout pin, and the `ccsn_last_stage` group can be defined only in an output pin or inout pin.

`is_needed` Attribute

The `is_needed` Boolean attribute determines whether the `dc_current`, `output_current_rise`, `output_current_fall`, `propagated_noise_low`, and `propagated_noise_high` channel-connected block attributes should be specified to include CCS noise data for a cell. The `is_needed` attribute is defined inside the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

By default, the `is_needed` attribute is set to `true`, which means that CCS noise data is included in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups for the cell. The `is_needed` attribute should be set to `false` for cells that do not need a current-based driver model, such as diodes, antennas, and cloud cells. When the attribute is set to

`false`, CCS noise data, enabled by the channel-connected block attributes, is not included in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

is_inverting Attribute

The `is_inverting` attribute specifies whether the channel-connected block is inverting. If the channel-connected block is inverting, set the `is_inverting` attribute to `true`. Otherwise, set the attribute to `false`. This attribute is mandatory if the `is_needed` attribute is set to `true`. Note that the `is_inverting` attribute is different from the “invertness” or `timing_sense` of the timing arc, which might consist of multiple channel-connected blocks.

stage_type Attribute

The `stage_type` attribute specifies the channel-connected block’s output voltage stage type. The valid values are `pull_up`, which causes the channel-connected block’s output voltage to be pulled up or to rise; `pull_down`, which causes the channel-connected block’s output voltage to be pulled down or to fall; and `both`, which causes the channel-connected block’s output voltage to be pulled up or down.

miller_cap_rise and miller_cap_fall Attributes

The `miller_cap_rise` and `miller_cap_fall` float attributes specify the Miller capacitance value for a rising and falling channel-connected block output transition. The value must be greater than or equal to zero. The attributes are defined inside the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

output_signal_level and input_signal_level Attributes

The `output_signal_level` and `input_signal_level` attributes specify the power supply voltage names for a channel-connected block output and input, respectively. The `output_signal_level` attribute is defined inside the `ccsn_first_stage` group and the `input_signal_level` attribute is defined inside the `ccsn_last_stage` group.

Note:

The `output_signal_level` and `input_signal_level` attribute specifications within the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups override the `output_signal_level` and `input_signal_level` attribute specifications at the pin level.

For a timing arc, the `output_signal_level` attribute specification within the `ccsn_first_stage` group overrides the `output_signal_level` attribute specification for the related pin (defined by the `related_pin` attribute).

dc_current Group

The `dc_current` group specifies the input and output voltage values of a two-dimensional current table for a channel-connected block. Use the `index_1` and `index_2` attributes, respectively, to list the input and output voltage values in library voltage units. Specify the `values` attribute in the `dc_current` group to list the relative channel-connected block DC current values, in library current units, that are measured at the channel-connected block output node.

output_voltage_rise and output_voltage_fall Groups

The `output_voltage_rise` and `output_voltage_fall` groups specify vector groups that describe three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables for a channel-connected block whose output node's voltage values are rising or falling. The groups are defined inside the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

Specify the following attributes in the vector group: The `index_1` attribute lists the `input_net_transition` (slew) values in library time units. The `index_2` attribute lists the `total_output_net_capacitance` (load) values in library capacitance units. The `index_3` attribute lists the sampling time values in library time units. The `values` attribute lists the voltage values, in library voltage units, that are measured at the channel-connected block output node.

`propagated_noise_high` and `propagated_noise_low` Groups

The `propagated_noise_low` and `propagated_noise_high` groups use vector groups to specify the three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables of the channel-connected block whose output node's voltage values are rising or falling. The groups are defined inside the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

Specify the following attributes in the vector group: The `index_1` attribute lists the `input_noise_height` values in library voltage units. The `index_2` attribute lists the `input_noise_width` values in library time units. The `index_3` attribute lists the `total_output_net_capacitance` values in library capacitance units. The `index_4` attribute lists the sampling time values in library time units. The `values` attribute lists the voltage values, in library voltage units, that are measured at the channel-connected block output node.

`when` Attribute

The `when` attribute specifies the condition under which the channel-connected block data is applied. The attribute is defined in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups both at the pin level and the timing level.

15.1.4 CCS Noise Library Example

The following is an example CCS noise library.

Example 15-1 CCS Noise Library

```
library (CCS_noise) {

    technology ( cmos ) ;
    delay_model      : table_lookup;
    time_unit       : "1ps" ;
    leakage_power_unit : "1pW" ;
    voltage_unit    : "1V" ;
    current_unit    : "1uA" ;
    pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm" ;
    capacitive_load_unit(1000.000,ff) ;

    nom_voltage      : 1.200;
```



```

nom_temperature : 25.000;
nom_process      : 1.000;

operating_conditions("OC1") {
    process : 1.000;
    temperature : 25.000;
    voltage : 1.200;
    tree_type : "balanced_tree";
}
default_operating_conditions:OC1;

lu_table_template(del_0_5_7_t) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    index_1("10.000, 175.000, 455.000, 980.000, 2100.000");
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_2("0.000000, 0.004000, 0.007000, 0.019000, 0.040000, 0.075000,\
            0.175000");
}

lu_table_template(ccsn_dc_29x29) {
    variable_1 : input_voltage;
    variable_2 : output_voltage;
}

lu_table_template(ccsn_timing_lut_5) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3 : time;
}

lu_table_template(ccsn_prop_lut_5) {
    variable_1 : input_noise_height;
    variable_2 : input_noise_width;
    variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_4 : time;
}

lu_table_template(lu_table_template7x9) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : voltage;
}
cell(inv) {
    area : 0.75;
}

```

```

pin(I) {
    direction : input;
    max_transition : 2100.0;
    capacitance : 0.002000;
    fanout_load : 1;
}
pin(Z) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.175000;
    max_fanout : 58;
    max_transition : 1400.0;
    function : "(I)'" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "I";
        timing_sense : negative_unate;
        ...
        ccsn_first_stage ( ) {
            is_needed : true;
            is_inverting : true;
            stage_type : both;
            miller_cap_rise : 0.00055;
            miller_cap_fall : 0.00084;

            dc_current (ccsn_dc_29x29) {
                index_1 ("-1.200, -0.600, -0.240, -
0.120, 0.000, 0.060, 0.120, 0.180, \
                0.240, 0.300, 0.360, 0.420, 0.480, 0.540, 0.600, 0.660,
\
                0.720, 0.780, 0.840, 0.900, 0.960, 1.020, 1.080, 1.140,
\
                1.200, 1.320, 1.440, 1.800, 2.400");

                index_2 ("-1.200, -0.600, -0.240, -
0.120, 0.000, 0.060, 0.120, 0.180, \
                0.240, 0.300, 0.360, 0.420, 0.480, 0.540, 0.600, 0.660,
\
                0.720, 0.780, 0.840, 0.900, 0.960, 1.020, 1.080, 1.140,
\
                1.200, 1.320, 1.440, 1.800, 2.400");

                values ("619.332000, 0.548416, 0.510134, 0.491965, 0.470368,
\
                ...
                -0.390604, -0.394495, -
0.403571, -579.968000");
            }
            output_voltage_rise ( ) {
                vector (ccsn_timing_lut_5) {
                    index_1(175.000);

```

```

        index_2(0.004000);
        index_3 ("104.222, 127.996, 144.729, 159.367,
176.983");
        values  ("1.080, 0.840, 0.600, 0.360,
0.120");
    }
    ...
}

```

```

output_voltage_fall ( ) {
    vector (ccsn_timing_lut_5) {
        index_1(175.000);
        index_2(0.004000);
        index_3 ("104.222, 127.996, 144.729, 159.367,
176.983");
        values  ("1.080, 0.840, 0.600, 0.360,
0.120");
    }
    ...
}

```

```

propagated_noise_low ( ) {
    vector (ccsn_prop_lut_5) {
        index_1(0.6000);
        index_2(1365.00);
        index_3(0.004000);
        index_4 ("640.90, 679.55, 711.76, 755.45,
793.68");
        values  ("0.0553, 0.0884, 0.1105, 0.0884,
0.0553");
    }
    ...
    vector (ccsn_prop_lut_5) {
        index_1(0.6500);
        index_2(2730.00);
        index_3(0.019000);
        index_4 ("1298.73, 1379.15, 1484.78, 1599.75,
1687.38");
        values  ("0.0927, 0.1483, 0.1854, 0.1483,
0.0927");
    }
}

```

```

propagated_noise_high ( ) {
    vector (ccsn_prop_lut_5) {

```

```

        index_1(0.6000);
        index_2(1365.00);
        index_3(0.004000);
        index_4 ("648.77, 688.99, 741.96, 793.08,
833.85");
        values ("1.0592, 0.9748, 0.9184, 0.9748,
1.0592");
    }
    ...
    vector (ccsn_prop_lut_5) {
        index_1(0.6500);
        index_2(2730.00);
        index_3(0.019000);
        index_4 ("1307.15, 1404.92, 1561.13, 1709.43,
1814.30");
        values ("1.0028, 0.8844, 0.8055, 0.8844,
1.0028");
    }
} /* ccsn_first_stage */

} /* timing I -> Z */
} /* Z */
} /* cell(inv) */

} /* library *

```

15.1.5 Conditional Data Modeling in CCS Noise Models

Liberty supports conditional data modeling in pin-based CCS noise models. The `mode` and `when` attributes are provided in the CCS noise groups to support this feature:

- The `when` attribute in pin-based CCS noise models (in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups).
- The `mode` attribute in pin-based CCS noise data modeling.

Liberty provides mode support for pin-based CCS noise data modeling, as shown in the following syntax:

```

cell(cell_name) {
    mode_definition (mode_name) {
        mode_value(namestring) {
            when : "boolean expression";
            sdf_cond : "boolean expression";
        } ...
    } ...
    pin(pin_name) {
        direction : input;
        /* The following syntax supports pin-

```

```

based ccs noise */
  /* ccs noise first stage for Condition 1 */
  ccsn_first_stage() {
    is_needed :true | false;
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    ...
  }
  ...
  /* ccs noise first stage for Condition n */
  ccsn_first_stage() {
    is_needed :true | false;
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    ...
  }
pin(pin_name) {
  direction : output;
  /* ccs noise last stage for Condition 1 */
  ccsn_last_stage() {
    is_needed : true | false;
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    ...
  }
  ...
  /* ccs noise last stage for Condition n */
  ccsn_last_stage() {
    is_needed : true | false;
    when : "boolean expression";
    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    ...
  }
  timing() {
    ...
    /* following are arc-based ccs noise */
    ccsn_first_stage() {
      is_needed : true | false;
      ...
    }
    ...
    ccsn_last_stage() {
      is_needed : true | false;
      ...
    }
  }
}
}
}

```

when Attribute

The `when` attribute is a conditional attribute that is supported in pin-based CCS noise models in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups.

mode Attribute

The pin-based `mode` attribute is provided in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups for conditional data modeling. If the `mode` attribute is specified, `mode_name` and `mode_value` must be predefined in the `mode_definition` group at the cell level.

Example

```
library (csm13os120_typ) {
  technology ( cmos ) ;
  delay_model : table_lookup;
  lu_table_template(ccsn_dc_29x29) {
    variable_1 : input_voltage;
    variable_2 : output_voltage;
  }
  cell(inv0d0) {
    area : 0.75;
    mode_definition(rw) {
      mode_value(read) {
        when : "I";
        sdf_cond : "I == 1";
      }
      mode_value(write) {
        when : "!I";
        sdf_cond : "I == 0";
      }
    }
  }
  pin(I) {
    direction : input;
    max_transition : 2100.0;
    capacitance : 0.002000;
    fanout_load : 1;
    ...
  }
  pin(ZN) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.175000;
    max_fanout : 58;
    max_transition : 1400.0;
    function : "(I)";
    /* pin-
based CCS noise first stage for Condition 1 */
    ccsn_first_stage () {
      ...
      when : "I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
```

```

*/
    /* mode(rw, read); */
    dc_current (ccsn_dc_29x29) { ... }
    output_voltage_rise ( ) { ... }
    output_voltage_fall ( ) { ... }
    propagated_noise_low ( ) { ... }
    propagated_noise_high ( ) { ... }
} /* ccsn_last_stage */
/* pin-based CCS noise last stage for Condition 2 */
ccsn_last_stage ( ) {
    ...
    when : "!I"; /* or using mode as next commented line
*/
    /* mode(rw, read); */
    dc_current (ccsn_dc_29x29) { ... }
    output_voltage_rise ( ) { ... }
    output_voltage_fall ( ) { ... }
    propagated_noise_low ( ) { ... }
    propagated_noise_high ( ) { ... }
} /* ccsn_last_stage */

timing() {
    related_pin : "I";
    timing_sense : negative_unate;
    ...
} /* timing I -> Z */
} /* Z */
} /* cell(inv0d0) */
} /* library */

```

15.2 CCS Noise Modeling for Unbuffered Cells With a Pass Gate

Unbuffered input and output latches are a special type of cell that has an internal memory node connected to an input or output pin. To increase the speed of the design and lower power consumption, these cells do not use inverters.

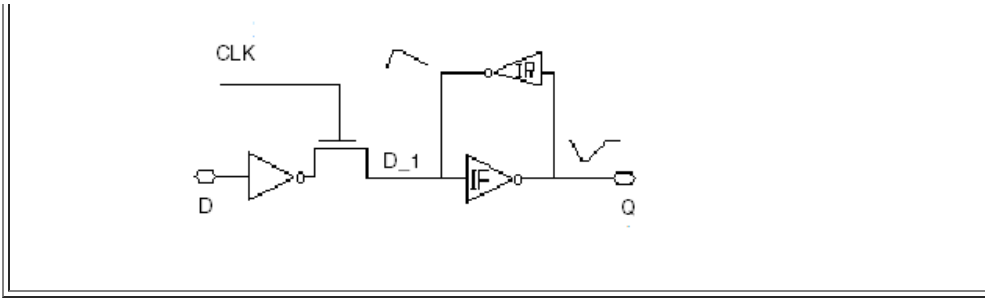
[Figure 15-1](#) and [Figure 15-2](#) show the schematics of a typical unbuffered output latch and an unbuffered input latch, respectively. The major difference between an unbuffered output cell and unbuffered input cell and a regular cell is as follows:

- Unbuffered Output Cell

An unbuffered output cell has the *feedback*, or back-driving path, from the unbuffered output pin to an internal node. In [Figure 15-1](#), Q is connected to internal node D_1 through the IR inverter.

Figure 15-1 Unbuffered Output Latch

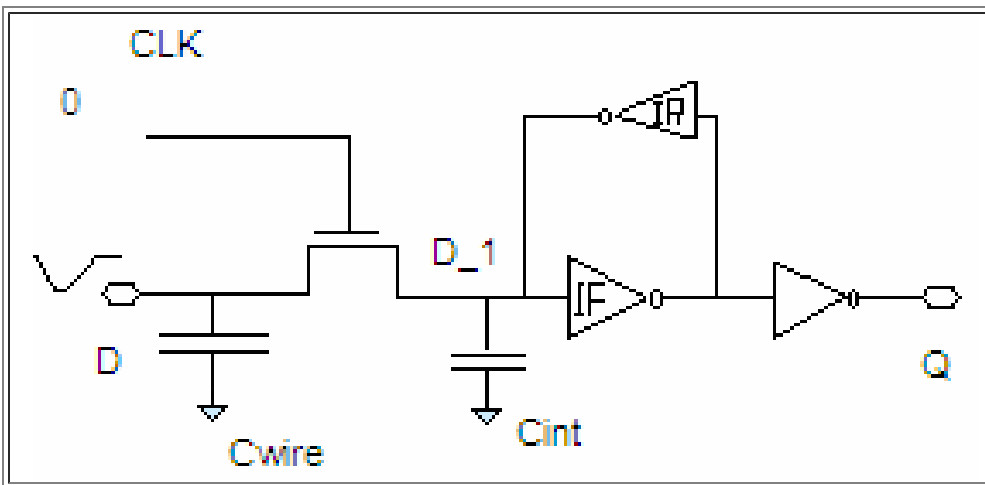




- Unbuffered Input Cell

The input pin of an unbuffered cell is not buffered and can be connected through a pass gate to the internal node. (A pass gate is a special gate that has an input and an output and a control input. If the control is set to true, the output is driven by the input. Otherwise, it is a floating output.) For example, in [Figure 15-2](#), D is connected to internal node D_1 through a pass gate.

Figure 15-2 Unbuffered Input Latch



To correctly model this category of cells in Liberty syntax, you must determine:

- If a pin is buffered or unbuffered.
- If a pin is implemented with a pass gate.
- If the `ccsn*_stage` information models a pass gate.

15.2.1 Syntax for Unbuffered Output Latches

The following syntax supports unbuffered output latches.

Syntax

```
/* unbuffered output pin */
pin (pin_name) {
  direction : inout | output;
  is_unbuffered : true | false ;
  has_pass_gate : true | false ;
  ccsn_first_stage () {
    is_pass_gate : true | false;
```



```

    ...
}
    ...
ccsn_last_stage () {
    is_pass_gate : true | false;
    ...
}
    ...
timing() {
    ccsn_first_stage () {
        is_pass_gate : true | false;
        ...
    }
    ...
ccsn_last_stage () {
    is_pass_gate : true | false;
    ...
}
    ...
}
}
pin (pin_name) {
    direction : input | inout;
    is_unbuffered : true | false ;
    has_pass_gate : true | false ;
    ccsn_first_stage () {
        is_pass_gate : true | false;
        ...
    }
    ...
ccsn_last_stage () {
    is_pass_gate : true | false;
    ...
}
    ...
timing() {
    ccsn_first_stage () {
        is_pass_gate : true | false;
        ...
    }
    ...
ccsn_last_stage () {
        is_pass_gate : true | false;
        ...
    }
    ...
}
}
}

```

15.2.2 Pin-Level Attributes

The following attributes are pin-level attributes for unbuffered output latches.

is_unbuffered Attribute

The `is_unbuffered` simple Boolean attribute indicates that a pin is unbuffered. This optional attribute can be specified on the pins of any library cell. The default is `false`.

has_pass_gate Attribute

The `has_pass_gate` simple Boolean attribute can be defined in a pin group to indicate whether the pin is internally connected to at least one pass gate.

ccsn_first_stage Group

The `ccsn_first_stage` group specifies CCS noise for the first stage of the channel-connected block (CCB). When the `ccsn_first_stage` group is defined at the pin level, it can only be defined in an input pin or an inout pin.

The `ccsn_first_stage` group syntax models back-driving CCS noise propagation information from the output pin to the internal node.

is_pass_gate Attribute

The `is_pass_gate` Boolean attribute is defined in a `ccsn*_stage` group (such as `ccsn_first_stage`) to indicate whether the `ccsn*_stage` information is modeled for a pass gate. The attribute is optional and its default is `false`.

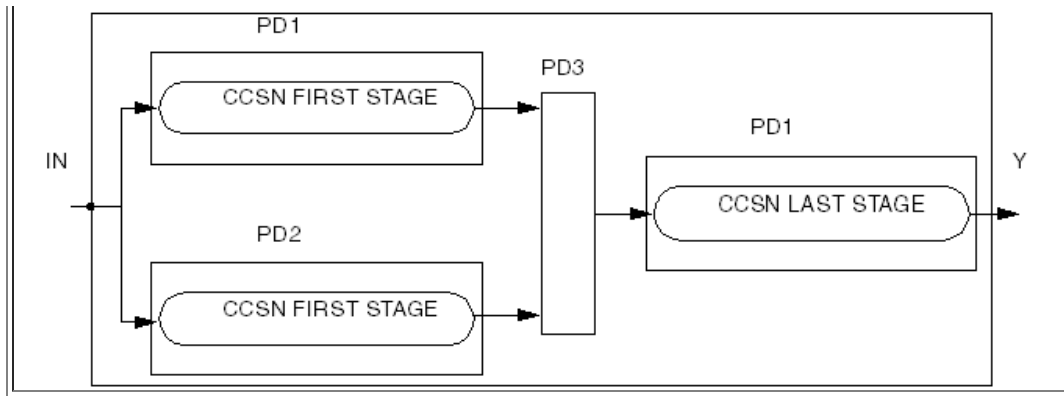
15.3 CCS Noise Modeling for Multivoltage Designs

In multivoltage designs, a complex macro cell can have multiple power domains with different power supplies internal to the cell. The internal power supplies that provide power to some of the inputs and outputs of the channel-connected blocks (CCBs), cannot be modeled at the pin level. Therefore, pin-level attributes do not correctly describe the operation of the CCS noise stages for these channel-connected blocks. To correctly model the CCS noise stages, specify the internal power supplies in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups that are specified within the `pin` or `timing` groups.

[Figure 15-3](#) shows a macro cell with three power domains, PD1, PD2, and PD3. The input pin, IN, is connected to the channel-connected blocks (not shown in the figure) for two CCS noise stages in PD1 and PD2. The outputs of the channel-connected blocks go to PD3. The CCS noise stage for the output pin, Y, is in PD1 and is driven by an internal stage in PD3. Therefore, the example in [Figure 15-3](#) shows that the channel-connected block inputs or outputs for the CCS stages do not always map to a pin.

Figure 15-3 A Complex Macro Cell With Multiple Power Domains





To model such CCS noise stages, use the `output_signal_level` and the `input_signal_level` attributes respectively within the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups, as shown in [Example 15-2](#).

[Example 15-2](#) shows both pin and timing arc-based CCS noise models of low-to-high level-shifter cells.

Example 15-2 A Library Description of a Level-Shifter Cell Modeled for CCS Noise

```

library (test) {
  technology(cmos);
  nom_voltage : 1.080000;
  voltage_unit : "1V";
  voltage_map(VDD1,1.080000);
  voltage_map(GND1,0.000000);
  voltage_map(VDD2,0.900000);
  ...
  cell (LVL_SHIFT_L2H_1) {
    is_level_shifter : true;
    level_shifter_type : LH;
    input_voltage_range(0.900000,1.320000);
    output_voltage_range(0.900000,1.320000);
    pg_pin (VDD) {
      voltage_name : VDD1;
      ...
    }
    pg_in (VDDL) {
      voltage_name : VDD2;
      ...
    }
  }
  pin (I) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    related_power_pin : VDDL;
    ccsn_first_stage () { /* pin-based model */
      is_needed : true;
    }
  }
}

```

```

        stage_type : both;
        ...
        output_signal_level : VDD1;
        /* Specifies that the power supply to the ccsn_first_stage
output
        is VDD1. The power supply to the ccsn_first_stage input
is
        specified at the pin level by the related_power_pin attribute

        as VDDL. */

        dc_current (ccsn_dc)...
    }
    pin (Z) {
        direction : output;
        power_down_function : "!VDD + !VDDL + VSS";
        function : "I";
        related_ground_pin : VSS;
        related_power_pin : VDD;
        ...
        ccsn_last_stage () { /* pin-based model */
            is_needed : "true";
            stage_type : "both";
            ...
            input_signal_level : VDD2;
            /* Specifies that the power supply to the ccsn_last_stage input
is
            is VDD2. The power supply to the ccsn_last_stage output
is
            specified at the pin level by the related_power_pin
attribute
            as VDD. */

            dc_current (ccsn_dc)...
        }
        ...
    }
    cell (LVL_SHIFT_L2H_2) {
        is_level_shifter : true;
        level_shifter_type : LH;
        input_voltage_range(0.900000,1.320000);
        output_voltage_range(0.900000,1.320000);
        pg_pin (VDD) {
            voltage_name : VDD1;
            ...
        }
        pg_in (VDDL) {
            voltage_name : VDD2;

```

```

    ...
}
pin (I) {
    direction : input;
    level_shifter_data_pin : true;
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    related_power_pin : VDDL;
}
pin (Z) {
    direction : output;
    power_down_function : "!VDD + !VDDL + VSS";
    function : "I";
    related_ground_pin : VSS;
    related_power_pin : VDD;
    ...
    timing() {
        related_pin : I;
        ...
        ccsn_first_stage () { /* arc-based model */
            is_needed : true;
            stage_type : both;
            ...
            output_signal_level : VDD1;
            dc_current (ccsn_dc)...
        }
        ccsn_last_stage () { /* arc-based model */
            is_needed : "true";
            stage_type : "both";
            ...
            input_signal_level : VDD1;
            dc_current (ccsn_dc)...
        }
    }
}
...
}
...
}
...
}
}

```

16. Composite Current Source Power Modeling

This chapter provides an overview of composite current source (CCS) modeling to support advanced technologies. It covers the syntax for CCS power modeling in the following sections:

- [Composite Current Source Power Modeling](#)
- [Compact CCS Power Modeling](#)
- [Composite Current Source Dynamic Power Examples](#)

16.1 Composite Current Source Power Modeling

The library nonlinear power model format captures leakage power numbers in multiple input combinations to generate a state-dependent table. It also captures dynamic power of various input transition times and output load capacitance to create the state-dependent and path-dependent internal energy data.

The composite current source (CCS) power modeling format extends current library models to include current-based waveform data to provide a complete solution that addresses static and dynamic power. It also addresses dynamic IR drop. The following are features of this approach as compared to the nonlinear power model:

- Creates a single unified power library format suitable for power optimization, power analysis, and rail analysis.
- Captures a supply current waveform for each power or ground pin.
- Provides finer time resolution.
- Offers full multivoltage support.
- Captures equivalent parasitic data to perform fast and accurate rail analysis.
- Reduces the characterization runtime.

16.1.1 Cell Leakage Current

Because CCS power is current-based data, leakage current on the power and ground pins is captured instead of leakage power as specified in the nonlinear power model format. For information about gate leakage, see "[gate_leakage Group](#)". The leakage current syntax is as follows:

Example 16-1 Leakage Current Syntax

```
cell(cell_name) {  
    ...  
    leakage_current() {  
        when : "boolean expression";  
        pg_current(pg_pin_name) {  
            value : float;  
        }  
    }  
    ...  
    leakage_current() { /* without the when statement */
```

```

        /* default state */
        ...
    }
}

```

Current conservation means that the sum of all current values must be zero. A positive value means power pin current, and a negative value means ground pin current.

If you have two power and ground pins in your design, and you have already specified the power current value to 2.0, you do not have to specify the ground current value, because the tool infers that it must be -2.0 based on current conservation.

For multiple power and ground pins, you must use the regular format because it provides `pg_current`, which allows you to specify the power and ground names. For example, if you have two power pins, you must specify the value for each pin.

Again, a simplified format is allowed for a cell with a single power and ground pin. For this case, no `pg_current` group is required within a `leakage_current` group.

Example 16-2 Leakage Current Format Simplified

```

cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    leakage_current() { /* without pg_current group*/
        when : "boolean expression";
        value : float;
    }

    leakage_current() { /* without the when statement */
        /* default state */
        ...
    }
}

```

16.1.2 Gate Leakage Modeling in Leakage Current

The syntax for these power models is described in the following section.

Syntax

```

cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    leakage_current() {
        when : "boolean expression";
        pg_current(pg pin name) {
            value : float;
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

```

gate_leakage(input pin name) {
    input_low_value : float;
    input_high_value : float;
}
...
}
...
leakage_current() {
/* group without when statement */
/* default state */
    ...
}
}

```

gate_leakage Group

This group specifies the cell's gate leakage current on input or inout pins within the `leakage_current` group in a cell. For information about cell leakage, see [“Cell Leakage Current”](#).

The following information pertains to a `gate_leakage` group:

- Groups can be placed in any order if there are more than one `gate_leakage` groups within a `leakage_current` group.
- Leakage current of a cell is characterized with opened outputs, which means outputs of a modeling cell do not drive any other cells. Outputs are assumed to have zero static current during the measurement.
- A missing `gate_leakage` group is allowed for certain pins.
- Current conservation is applicable if it can be applied to higher error tolerance.

input_low_value Attribute

This attribute specifies gate leakage current on an input or inout pin when the pin is in a `low` state.

- A negative float value is required.
- The gate leakage current is measured from the power pin of the cell to the ground pin of its driver cell.
- The input pin is pulled low.
- The `input_low_value` attribute is not required for a `gate_leakage` group.
- Defaults to 0 if no `gate_leakage` group is specified for certain pins.
- Defaults to 0 if no `input_low_value` attribute is specified in the `gate_leakage` group.

input_high_value Attribute

This attribute specifies gate leakage current on an input or inout pin when the pin is in a `high` state.

- A positive float value is required.
- The gate leakage current is measured from the power pin of its driver cell to the ground pin of the cell.

- The input pin is pulled high.
- The `input_high_value` is not required for a `gate_leakage` group.
- Defaults to 0 if no `gate_leakage` groups is specified for certain pins.
- Defaults to 0 if no `input_high_value` is specified in the `gate_leakage` group.

16.1.3 Intrinsic Parasitic Models

You can use the syntax in [Example 16-3](#) for intrinsic parasitic models. The syntax consists of two parts: one is intrinsic resistance and the other is intrinsic capacitance.

Example 16-3 Intrinsic Parasitic Model

```
cell (cell_name) {
  mode_definition (mode_name) {
    mode_value(namestring) {
      when : "boolean expression";
      sdf_cond : "boolean expression";
    }
    ...
    intrinsic_parasitic() {
      mode (mode_name, mode_value);
      when : "boolean expression";
      intrinsic_resistance(pg_pin_name) {
        related_output : output_pin_name;
        value : float;
      }
      intrinsic_capacitance(pg_pin_name) {
        value : float;
      }
    }

    intrinsic_parasitic() {
      /*without when statement */
      /* default state */
    }
  }
}
```

[Example 16-4](#) shows a typical intrinsic parasitic model of a cell.

Example 16-4 Conditional Data Modeling for Intrinsic Parasitic Model By Mode

```
library (csm13os120_typ) {
  technology ( cmos );
  delay_model : table_lookup;
  lu_table_template(ccsn_dc_29x29) {
    variable_1 : input_voltage;
    variable_2 : output_voltage;
  }
}
```

```

cell(inv0d0) {
  area : 0.75;
  pg_pin(V1) {
    voltage_name : VDD1;
    pg_type : primary_power;
  }
  pg_pin(G1) {
    voltage_name : GND1;
    pg_type : primary_ground;
  }
  mode_definition(rw) {
    mode_value(read) {
      when : "A1";
      sdf_cond : "A1 == 1";
    }
    mode_value(write) {
      when : "!A1";
      sdf_cond : "A1 == 0";
    }
  }
  pin(A1) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1 ;
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
  }
  pin(A2) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1 ;
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
  }
  pin(ZN) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.1;
    function : "!A1+A2";
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
    timing() {
      timing_sense : "negative_unate"
      related_pin : "A1";
      ...
    }
  }
  pin(ZN1) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.1;
    function : "!A1";
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
  }

```

```

    timing() {
        timing_sense : "negative_unate"
        related_pin : "A1 A2";
        ...

    }
}
intrinsic_parasitic() {
    mode(rw, read);
    intrinsic_resistance(G1) {
        related_output : "ZN";
        value : 9.0;
    }
    intrinsic_capacitance(G1) {
        value : 8.2;
    }
}
} /* cell(inv0d0) */
} /* library

```

Voltage-Dependent Intrinsic Parasitic Models

Intrinsic parasitics are conventionally modeled as voltage-independent or steady-state values. However, intrinsic parasitics are voltage-dependent. To better represent intrinsic parasitics in a CCS power model, use a lookup table for intrinsic parasitics instead of a single steady-state value. You can use the steady-state value when your design requirements are not critical.

The lookup table is one-dimensional and consists of intrinsic parasitic values for different values of VDD. You can selectively add these values to any `intrinsic_resistance` or `intrinsic_capacitance` subgroup. Use lookup tables when correct estimation of voltage drops is critical, such as power-switch designs.

The following are the advantages of using lookup tables.

- Accurate estimation of peak-inrush current and wake-up time
- Optimal power-up and power-down sequencing
- Optimal power-switch design, that is, minimum number of used and placed power-switch cells

[Example 16-5](#) shows the syntax for a voltage-dependent intrinsic parasitic model.

[Example 16-6](#) shows a typical voltage-dependent intrinsic parasitic model.

Example 16-5 Syntax for Intrinsic Parasitic Model With Lookup Tables

```

lu_table_template (template_name) {
    variable_1 : pg_voltage | pg_voltage_difference ;
    index_1 ( "float, ... float" );
}
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    intrinsic_parasitic() {

```

```

when : "boolean expression";
intrinsic_resistance (pg_pin_name) {
    related_output : output_pin_name;
    value : float;
    reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    lut_values (template_name) {
        index_1 ("float, ... float");
        values ("float, ... float");
    }
}
intrinsic_capacitance(pg_pin_name) {
    value : float;
    reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    lut_values (template_name) {
        index_1 ("float, ... float");
        values ("float, ... float");
    }
}
...
}

```

Example 16-6 Voltage-Dependent Intrinsic Parasitic Model Using Lookup Tables

```

library(example_library) {
    .....
    lu_table_template ( test_voltage ) {
        variable_1 : pg_voltage;
        index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0"
    );
    }
    cell (AND3) {
        .....
        intrinsic_parasitic() {
            when : "A1 & A2 & ZN";
            intrinsic_resistance(G1) {
                related_output : "ZN";
                value : 9.0;
                reference_pg_pin : G1;
                lut_values ( test_voltage ) {
                    index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
                    values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
                }
            }
            intrinsic_capacitance(G2) {

```

```

        value : 8.2;
        reference_pg_pin : G2;
        lut_values ( test_voltage ) {
            index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
            values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
        }
    }
    intrinsic_resistance(G1) {
        related_output : "ZN1";
        value : 62.2;
    }
}
intrinsic_parasitic() {
/* default state */
    intrinsic_resistance(G1) {
        related_output : "ZN";
        value : 9.0;
        reference_pg_pin : G1;
        lut_values ( test_voltage ) {
            index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
            values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
        }
    }
    intrinsic_resistance(G1) {
        related_output : "ZN1";
        value : 9.0;
    }
    intrinsic_capacitance(G2) {
        value : 8.2;
        reference_pg_pin : G2;
        lut_values ( test_voltage ) {
            index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
            values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9,
1.0" );
        }
    }
}
.....
} /* end of cell AND3 */
}

```

Library-Level Group

The following library-level group models voltage-dependent intrinsic parasitics.

lu_table_template Group

This group defines the template for the `lut_values` group. The `lu_table_template` group includes a one-dimensional variable, `variable_1`. The valid values of the `variable_1` variable are `pg_voltage` and `pg_voltage_difference`. When the `variable_1` variable is set to the `pg_voltage` value, the values of the intrinsic capacitance or resistance directly vary with the power supply voltage of the cell. When the `variable_1` variable is set to the `pg_voltage_difference` value, the values of the intrinsic capacitance or resistance vary with the difference between the power supply voltage and the power pin voltage specified by the `reference_pg_pin` attribute.

Note:

The `reference_pg_pin` attribute specifies the reference pin for the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The reference pin must be a valid PG pin.

Pin-Level Group

The following pin-level group models voltage-dependency in intrinsic parasitics by using lookup tables.

lut_values Group

To use the lookup table for intrinsic parasitics, use the `lut_values` group. You can add the `lut_values` group to both the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The `lut_values` group uses the `variable_1` variable, which is defined within the `lu_table_template` group, at the library level.

16.1.4 Parasitics Modeling in Macro Cells

For macro cells, the `total_capacitance` group is provided within the `intrinsic_parasitic` group.

total_capacitance Group

The `total_capacitance` group specifies the macro cell's total capacitance on a power or ground net within the `intrinsic_parasitic` group.

- This group can be placed in any order if there is more than one `total_capacitance` group within an `intrinsic_parasitic` group.
- If the `total_capacitance` group is not defined for a certain power and ground pin, the value of capacitance defaults to 0.0. The default is provided by the tool.
- The parasitics modeling of the total capacitance in macros cells is not state dependent. This means that there is no state condition specified in the `intrinsic_parasitic` group.

Parasitics Modeling Syntax

```

cell (cell_name) {
    power_cell_type : enum(stdcell, macro);
    ...
    intrinsic_parasitic() {

        total_capacitance(pg pin name) {
            value : float;
        }
        ...
    }
    ...
}

```

16.1.5 Dynamic Power

Because CCS power is current-based data, instantaneous power data on the power or ground pin is captured instead of internal energy specified in the nonlinear power model format. The current-based data provides higher accuracy than the existing model.

In the CCS modeling format, instantaneous power data is specified as a table of current waveforms. The table is dependent on the transition time of a toggling input and the capacitance of the toggling outputs.

As the number of output pins increases in a cell, the number of waveform tables becomes large. However, the cell with multiple output pins (more than one output) does not need to be characterized for all possible output load combinations. Therefore, two types of methods can be introduced to simplify the captured data.

- Cross type - Only one output capacitance is swept, while all other output capacitances are held in a typical value or fixed value.
- Diagonal type - The capacitance to all the output pins is swept together by an identical value.

A table that is modeled based on these two types is defined as a sparse table. Otherwise it is defined as a dense table, meaning that all combinations of the output load variable are specified in tables.

Dynamic Power and Ground Current Table Syntax

You can use the following syntax for dynamic current:

```

pg_current_template(template_name_1) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3 : time;
    index_1(float, ); /* optional */
    index_2(float, ); /* optional */
    index_3(float, ); /* optional */
}

pg_current_template(template_name_2) {

```

```

variable_1 : input_net_transition;
variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;
variable_4 : time;
index_1(float, ); /* optional */
index_2(float, ); /* optional */
index_3(float, ); /* optional */
index_4(float, ); /* optional */
}

```

Dynamic Power Modeling in Macro Cells

The extensions to CCS dynamic power format provides more accurate models for macro cells. The current dynamic power model only supports current waveforms for single-input events.

The model can also be applied to memory modeling with synchronous events, which are triggered by toggling either a single `read_enable` or `write_enable`.

However, for asynchronous event, the read access can be triggered by more than one bit of the address bus toggling. To support asynchronous memory access for macro cells, use `min_input_switching_count` and `max_input_switching_count`, in dynamic power as shown in the next section.

The following syntax for dynamic power format provides more accurate models for macro cells:

```

...
cell(cell_name) {
mode_definition (mode_name) {
    mode_value(namestring) {
        when : "boolean expression";
        sdf_cond : "boolean expression";
    }
}
...
power_cell_type : enum(stdcell, macro)
dynamic_current() {

    mode (mode_name, mode_value);
    when : "boolean expression";
    related_inputs : "input_pin_name";
    switching_group() {

        min_input_switching_count : integer;
        max_input_switching_count : integer;
        pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
            vector(template_name) {

                reference_time : float;
                index_1(float);
                index_2("float,...");
            }
        }
    }
}

```



```

        values("float,...");
    } /* end vector group*/
    ...
} /*end pg_current group */
...
} /* end switching_group */
...
} /* end dynamic_current group */
...
} /* end cell group*/
...

```

The `min_input_switching_count` and `max_input_switching_count` attributes specify the number of bits in the input bus that are switching simultaneously while an asynchronous event occurs. A single switching bit can be defined by setting the same value in both attributes.

The following example shows that any three bits specified in `related_inputs` are switching simultaneously.

```

...
min_input_switching_count : 3;
max_input_switching_count : 3;
...

```

A range of switching bits can be defined by setting the minimum and maximum value. The following example shows that any 2, 3, 4 or 5 bits specified in `related_inputs` are switching simultaneously.

```

...
min_input_switching_count : 2;
max_input_switching_count : 5;
...

```

min_input_switching_count Attribute

This attribute specifies the minimum number of bits in an input bus that are switching simultaneously.

- The count must be integer.
- The count must greater than 0 and less than `max_input_switching_count`.

max_input_switching_count Attribute

This attribute specifies the maximum number of bits in an input bus that are switching simultaneously.

- The count must be integer.
- The count must greater than `min_input_switching_count`.
- The count must be less than the total number of bits listed in `related_inputs`.

Examples for CCS Dynamic Power for Macro Cells

```

...
pg_current_template ( CCS_power_1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : time;
}
type(bus3) {
    base_type : array;
    bit_width : 3;
...
}
...
cell ( example ) {
    bus(addr_in) {
        bus_type : bus3;
        direction : input;
        ...
    }
    pin(data_in) {
        direction : input;
        ...
    }
}
...
power_cell_type : macro;
dynamic_current() {
    when: "!WE";
    related_inputs : "addr_in";
    switching_group ( ) {
        min_input_switching_count : 1;
        max_input_switching_count : 3;
        pg_current (VSS) {
            vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
                reference_time : 0.01;
                index_1 ( "0.01" )
                index_2 ( "4.6, 5.9, 6.2, 7.3" )

                values ( "0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546" )
            }
            ...
            vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
                reference_time : 0.01;
                index_1 ( "0.03" )
                index_2 ( "2.4, 2.6, 2.9, 4.0" )

                values ( "0.012, 0.109, 0.534, 0.746" )
            }
            vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
                reference_time : 0.01;
                index_1 ( "0.08" )
                index_2 ( "1.0, 1.6, 1.8, 1.9" )
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

        values ( "0.102, 0.209, 0.474, 0.992")
    }
    ...
} /* pg_current */
...
} /* switching_group */
...
} /* dynamic_current */
...
...
intrinsic_parasitic() {
    total_capacitance(VDD) {
        value : 0.2;
    }
    ...
} /* intrinsic_parasitic */
...
...
leakage_current() {
    when : WE;
    gate_leakage(data_in) {
        input_low_value : -0.3;
        input_high_value : 0.5;
    }
    ...
} /* leakage_current */
...
} /* end of cell */
...

```

Conditional Data Modeling for Dynamic Current Example

```

library (csm13os120_typ) {
    technology ( cmos ) ;
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    lu_table_template(ccsn_dc_29x29) {
        variable_1 : input_voltage;
        variable_2 : output_voltage;
    }
    cell(inv0d0) {
        area : 0.75;
        pg_pin(V1) {
            voltage_name : VDD1;
            pg_type : primary_power;
        }
        pg_pin(G1) {
            voltage_name : GND1;
            pg_type : primary_ground;
        }
        mode_definition(rw) {

```

```

mode_value(read) {
    when : "A1";
    sdf_cond : "A1 == 1";
}
mode_value(write) {
    when : "!A1";
    sdf_cond : "A1 == 0";
}
}
power_cell_type : stdcell;
dynamic_current() { /* dense table */
    mode(rw, read);
    related_inputs : "A2";
    related_outputs : "ZN ZN1";
    switching_group() {
        output_switching_condition(rise rise);
        pg_current(V1) {
            vector(test_1) {
                reference_time : 23.7;
                index_1("0.8");
                index_2("0.7");
                index_3("10.4");
                index_4("8.2 8.5 9.1 9.4 9.8");
                values("0.7 34.6 3.78 92.4 100.1");
            }
            ...
        }
    }
}
}
pin(A1) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1 ;
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
}
pin(A2) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1 ;
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
}
pin(ZN) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.1;
    function : "!A1+A2";
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
    timing() {
        timing_sense : "negative_unate"
        related_pin : "A1";
    }
}

```

```

...
    }
}
pin(ZN1) {
    direction : output;
    max_capacitance : 0.1;
    function : "!A1";
    related_power_pin : V1;
    related_ground_pin : G1;
    timing() {
        timing_sense : "negative_unate"
        related_pin : "A1 A2";
        ...
    }
}
} /* cell(inv0d0) */
} /* library

```

16.1.6 Dynamic Current Syntax

The syntax in [Example 16-7](#) is used for instantaneous power data, which is captured at the cell level.

Example 16-7 Dynamic Current Syntax

```

cell(cell_name) {

    power_cell_type : enum(stdcell, macro)
    dynamic_current() {
        when : "boolean expression";
        related_inputs : input_pin_name;
        related_outputs : output_pin_name;
        typical_capacitances(float, );/* applied for cross
type;*/
        switching_group() {
            input_switching_condition(enum(rise, fall));
            output_switching_condition(enum(rise, fall));
            pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
                vector(template_name) {
                    reference_time : float;
                    index_output : output_pin_name; /* applied for
cross type;*/
                    index_1(float);

                    index_n(float);
                    index_n+1(float, );

```

```

        values(float, );
    } /* vector */

    } /* pg_current */

    } /* switching_group */

} /* dynamic_current */

} /* cell */

```

16.2 Compact CCS Power Modeling

CCS power compaction uses base curve technology to significantly reduce the library size of CCS power libraries. Greater control of the Liberty file size allows you to include additional data points and more accurately capture CCS power data for dynamic current waveforms.

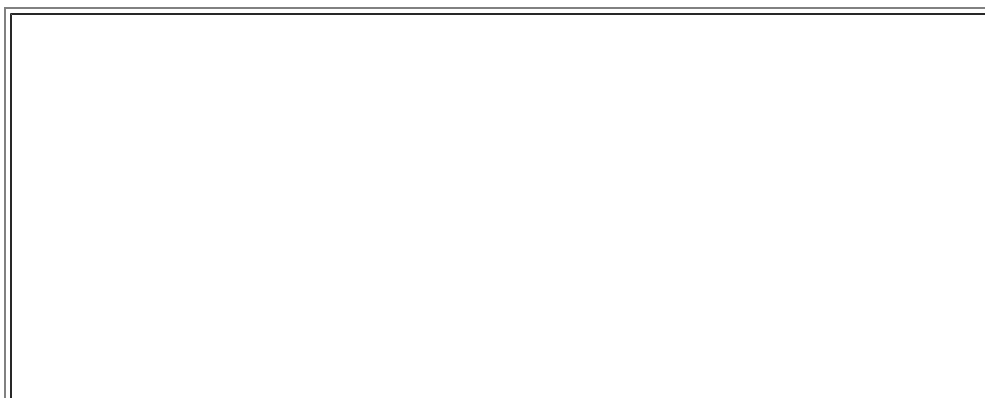
Base curve technology was first introduced for compact CCS timing. Each timing current waveform is split into two segments in the I-V domain, and the shape of each segment is modeled by a base curve that has a similar shape. This segmentation prevents direct modeling with the piecewise linear data points.

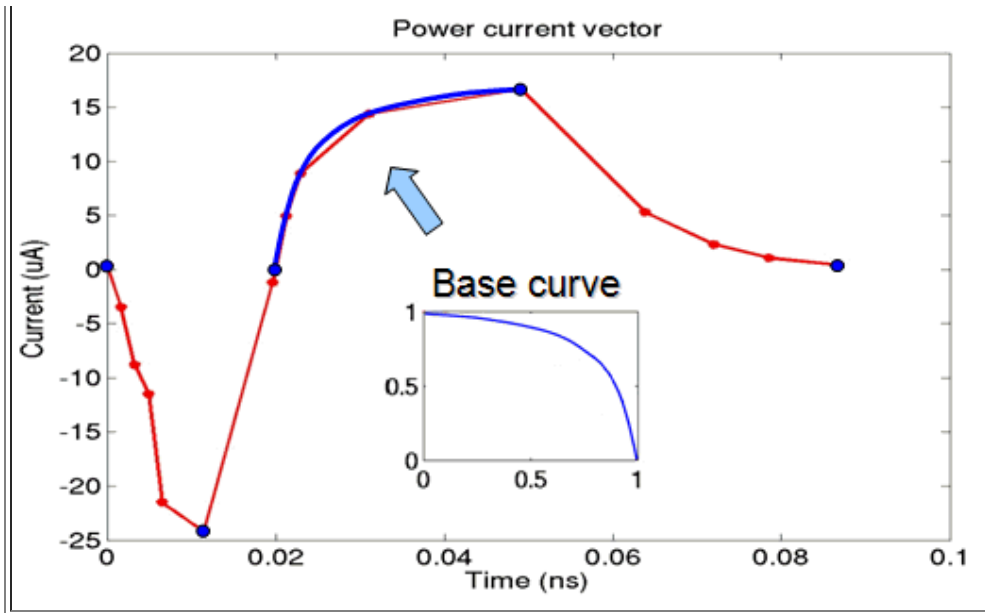
Compact CCS power modeling differs from compact CCS timing modeling in that power waveforms can include both positive sections and negative sections. They must be modeled in an I(t) domain. In addition, the segmentation is more flexible. This is important because the current waveform shape might contain one or more bumps. The compact CCS power modeling segmentation points can be selected at:

- The point where the current waveform crosses zero
- The peak of a current bump

In [Figure 16-1](#), the red curve shows an example CCS power waveform in piecewise linear format with fifteen data points. Thirty float numbers must be stored in the library. This is an expensive storage cost for a single I(t) waveform because libraries generally include a large number of I(t) waveforms. In addition, the waveform shape is not smooth, despite the fifteen data points, due to the inefficiency of the piecewise linear representation. The current value error is larger than 5% in some regions of the waveform.

Figure 16-1 Power Current Vector





Segmenting the waveform and using base curve technology for each segment provides greater accuracy. In [Figure 16-1](#), the blue dots and blue curve show the waveform using base curve technology. The blue dots represent five segmentation points that divide the waveform into four sections. You can save the segmentation points as characteristic points and model the shape of each segment using a base curve. The blue curve is the third segment that can be represented by a base curve.

The following example describes the format for each current waveform:

t_{start} , I_{start} , $bcid_1$, t_{ip1} , I_{ip1} , $bcid_2$, [t_{ip2} , I_{ip2} , $bcid_3$, ...,] t_{end} , I_{end} ;

The arguments are defined as follows:

t_{start}

The current start time.

I_{start}

The initial current.

t_{ip}

The time of an internal segmentation point.

I_{ip}

The current value of an internal segmentation point.

t_{end}

The time when transition ends and current value becomes stable.

I_{end}

The current value at the endpoint.

bcid

The ID of the base curve that models the shape between two neighboring points.

16.2.1 Compact CCS Power Syntax and Requirements

The expanded, or dynamic, CCS power model syntax provides an important reference and criteria for compact CCS power modeling. See [“Dynamic Current Syntax”](#) for the `dynamic_current` syntax and see [“Dynamic Power and Ground Current Table Syntax”](#) for the `pg_current_template` syntax.

The following requirements must be met in the `pg_current_template` group:

- The last `variable_*` value must be `time`. The `time` variable is required.
- The `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance` values are available for all `variable_*` attributes except the last `variable_*`. They can be placed in any order except last.

The following conditions describe the `pg_current_template` group:

- There can be zero or one `input_net_transition` variable.
- There can be zero, one, or two `total_output_net_capacitance` variables.
- Each `vector` group in the `pg_current` group describes a current waveform that is compacted into a table in the compact CCS power model.

Similar to the compact CCS timing modeling syntax, compact CCS power modeling syntax uses the `base_curves` group to describe normalized base curves and the `compact_lut_template` group as the compact current waveform template. However, the `compact_lut_template` group attributes are extended from three dimensions to four dimensions when CCS power models need two `total_output_net_capacitance` attributes.

The compact CCS power modeling syntax is as follows:

```
library (my_library) {
  base_curves(bc_name) {
    base_curve_type : enum (ccs_half_curve, ccs_timing_half_curve);
    curve_x ("float, ..., float");
    curve_y ("integer, float, ..., float"); /* base curve #1 */
    curve_y ("integer, float, ..., float"); /* base curve #2 */
    ...
    curve_y ("integer, float, ..., float"); /* base curve #n */
  }
  compact_lut_template (template_name) {
    base_curves_group : bc_name;
    variable_1 : input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_2 : input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_3 : input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance;
    variable_4 : curve_parameters;
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");
    index_2 ("float, ..., float");
    index_3 ("float, ..., float");
    index_4 ("string, ..., string");
  }
}
```



```

}

...
cell(cell_name) {
  dynamic_current() {
    switching_group() {
      pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
        compact_ccs_power (template_name) {
          base_curves_group : bc_name;
          index_output : pin_name;
          index_1 ("float, ..., float");
          index_2 ("float, ..., float");
          index_3 ("float, ..., float");
          index_4 ("string, ..., string");
          values ("float | integer, ..., float | integer");
        } /* end of compact_ccs_power */

        ...
      } /* end of pg_current */

      ...
    } /* end of switching_group */

    ...
  } /* end of dynamic_current */

  ...
} /* end of cell */

...
} /* end of library*/

```

16.2.2 Library-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes library-level groups and attributes used for compact CCS power modeling.

base_curves Group

The `base_curves` group contains the detailed description of normalized base curves. The `base_curves` group has the following attributes:

base_curve_type Complex Attribute

The `base_curve_type` attribute specifies the type of base curve. The `ccs_half_curve` value allows you to model compact CCS power and compact CCS timing data within the same `base_curves` group. You must specify `ccs_half_curve` before specifying `ccs_timing_half_curve`.

curve_x Complex Attribute

The data array contains the x-axis values of the normalized base curve. Only one `curve_x` value is allowed for each `base_curves` group.

For a `ccs_timing_half_curve` base curve, the `curve_x` value must be between 0 and 1 and increase monotonically.

curve_y Complex Attribute

Each base curve consists of one `curve_x` and one `curve_y` attributes. You should define the `curve_x` base curve before `curve_y` for better clarity and easier implementation. The valid region for `curve_y` is [-30, 30] for compact CCS power.

There are two data sections in the `curve_y` complex attribute:

- The `curve_id` integer specifies the identifier of the base curve.
- The data array specifies the y-axis values of the normalized base curve.

`compact_lut_template` Group

The `compact_lut_template` group is a lookup table template used for compact CCS timing and power modeling.

The following requirements must be met for compact CCS power modeling:

- The last `variable_*` value must be `curve_parameters`.
- The `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance` values are available for all `variable_*` attributes except the last `variable_*`. They can be placed in any order except last.

The following conditions describe the `pg_current_template` group:

- There can be zero or one `input_net_transition` variable.
- There can be zero, one, or two `total_output_net_capacitance` variables.
- The element type for all `index_*` values except the last one is a list of floating-point numbers.
- The element type for the last `index_*` value is a string.
- The only valid value for `index_*`, when it is last and when it is specified with `curve_parameters` as the last `variable_*`, is `init_time`, `init_current`, `bc_id1`, `point_time1`, `point_current1`, `bc_id2`, [`point_time2`, `point_current2`, `bc_id3`, ...], `end_time`, `end_current`.

The valid value in the last index is the pattern that all curve parameter series should follow. It is a pattern rather than a specified series because the table varies in size. Curve parameters define how to describe a current waveform. There should be at least two segments. The reference time for each current waveform is always zero. The negative time values, such as the values with corresponding parameters `init_time`, `point_time` and `end_time`, are permitted.

Note that this index is only for clarity. It is not used to determine the curve parameters. Curve parameters can be uniquely determined by the size of the values. A valid size can be represented as $(8+3i)$, where i is an integer and $i \geq 0$. The current waveform has $(i+2)$ segments.

16.2.3 Cell-Level Groups and Attributes

This section describes cell-level groups and attributes used for compact CCS power modeling.

`compact_ccs_power` Group

The `compact_ccs_power` group contains a detailed description for compact CCS power data. The `compact_ccs_power` group includes the following optional attributes: `base_curves_group`, `index_1`, `index_2`, `index_3` and `index_4`. The description

for these attributes in the `compact_ccs_power` group is the same as in the `compact_lut_template` group. However, the attributes have a higher priority in the `compact_ccs_power` group. For more information, see "[compact_lut_template Group](#)".

The `index_output` attribute is also optional. It is used only on cross type tables.

values Attribute

The `values` attribute is required in the `compact_ccs_power` group. The data within the quotation marks (" "), or *line*, represent the current waveform for one index combination. Each value is determined by the corresponding curve parameter. In the following line,

```
"t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3, 4, t4, c4"
```

the size is $14 = 8 + 3 * 2$. Therefore, the curve parameters are as follows:

```
"init_time, init_current, bc_id1, point_time1, point_current1, bc_id2, \  
point_time2, point_current2, bc_id3, point_time3, point_current3, \  
bc_id4, \  
end_time, end_current"
```

The elements in the `values` attribute are floating-point numbers for time and current and integers for the base curve ID. The number of current waveform segments can be different for each slew and load combination, which means that each line size can be different. As a result, Liberty syntax supports tables with varying sizes, as shown:

```
compact_ccs_power (template_name) {  
  ...  
  index_1("0.1, 0.2"); /* input_net_transition */  
  index_2("1.0, 2.0"); /* total_output_net_capacitance */  
  index_3 ("init_time, init_current, bc_id1, point_time1, point_current1, \  
  \  
  bc_id2, [point_time2, point_current2, bc_id3, ...], \  
  end_time, end_current"); /* curve_parameters */  
  values  
  ("t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3, 4, t4, c4", \ /* segment=4 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2", \ /* segment=2 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3", \ /* segment=3 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3"); /* segment=3 */  
}
```

16.3 Composite Current Source Dynamic Power Examples

This section provides the following CCS dynamic power examples:

- [Design Cell With a Single Output Example](#)
- [Dense Table With Two Output Pins Example](#)
- [Cross Type With More Than One Output Pin Example](#)
- [Diagonal Type With More Than One Output Pin Example](#)

For more information about the syntax in the following examples, see the Liberty Reference Manual.

16.3.1 Design Cell With a Single Output Example

```

pg_current_template ( CCS_power_1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_3 : time ;
}

cell (example) {

    dynamic_current() {
        when: D;
        related_inputs : CP;
        related_outputs : Q;
        switching_group ( ) {
            input_switching_condition(rise);
            output_switching_condition(rise);
        }
        pg_current (VDD ) {
            vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
                reference_time : 0.01;
                index_1 ( 0.01 )
                index_2 ( 1.0 )
                index_3 ( 0.000, 0.0873, 0.135, 0.764)
                values ( 0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546)
            }
        }
    }
}

```

16.3.2 Dense Table With Two Output Pins Example

```

pg_current_template ( CCS_power_1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_4 : time ;
}

cell ( example ) {

dynamic_current() {

    related_inputs : "A" ;
    related_outputs : "Z" ;
    typical_capacitances(0.04);

    switching_group() {
        input_switching_condition(rise);
        output_switching_condition(rise);
    }

    pg_current(VDD) {

        vector(ccsp_switching_ntin_oload_time) {
            reference_time : 0.0015 ;
        }
    }
}
}

```

```

        index_1("0.0019");
        index_2("0.001");
        index_3("0, 0.006, 0.03, 0.07, 0.09, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4,
                0.5");
        values("5e-
06, 0.001, 0.02, 0.03, 0.05, 0.08, 0.09, 0.04,
                0.009, 5.0e-06");
    }
}
}
}
}
}

```

16.3.3 Cross Type With More Than One Output Pin Example

```

pg_current_template ( CCS_power_1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_3 : time ;
}

cell ( example )

dynamic_current() {
    when: D;
    related_inputs : CP;
    related_outputs : Q QN QN1 QN2;
    typical_capacitances(10.0 10.0 10.0 10.0);
    switching_group ( ) {
        input_switching_condition(rise);
        output_switching_condition(rise, fall, fall,
fall);
    }
    pg_current (VSS) {
        vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
            index_output : Q;
            reference_time : 0.01;
            index_1 ( 0.01 )
            index_2 ( 5.0)
            index_3 ( 0.000, 0.0873, 0.135, 0.764)

            values ( 0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546)
        }

        vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
            index_output : QN;
            reference_time : 0.01;
            index_1 ( 0.01 )
            index_2 ( 1.0 )

```

```

        index_3 ( 0.000, 0.0873, 0.135, 0.764)

        values ( 0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546)
    }
    vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
        index_output : QN;
        reference_time : 0.01;
        index_1 ( 0.01 )
        index_2 ( 5.0 )
        index_3 ( 0.000, 0.0873, 0.135, 0.764)

        values ( 0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546)
    }
}

```

16.3.4 Diagonal Type With More Than One Output Pin Example

```

pg_current_template ( CCS_power_1 ) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_3 : time ;
}
cell ( example )
    dynamic_current() {
        when: D ;
        related_inputs : CP;
        related_outputs : Q QN QN1 QN2;
        switching_group ( ) {
            input_switching_condition(rise);
            output_switching_condition(rise, fall, fall,
fall);
        }
    }
    pg_current (VSS) {
        vector ( CCS_power_1 ) {
            reference_time : 0.01;
            index_1 ( 0.01 )
            index_2 ( 1.0 )
            index_3 ( 0.000, 0.0873, 0.135, 0.764)
            values ( 0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546)
        }
    }
}

```

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1. Physical Library Group Description and Syntax

This chapter describes the role of the `phys_library` group in defining a physical library.

The information in this chapter includes a description and syntax example for the attributes that you can define within the `phys_library` group.

1.1 Attributes and Groups

The `phys_library` group is the superior group in the physical library. The `phys_library` group contains all the groups and attributes that define the physical library.

[Example 1-1](#) lists the attributes and groups that you can define within a physical library.

The following chapters include descriptions and syntax examples for the groups that you can define within the `phys_library` group.

Example 1-1 Syntax for the Attributes and Groups in the Physical Library

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
    bus_naming_style: string ;
    capacitance_conversion_factor : integer ;
    capacitance_unit : 1pf | 1ff | 10ff | 100ff ;
    comment : string ;
    current_conversion_factor : integer ;
    current_unit : 100uA | 100mA | 1A | 1uA | 10uA | 1mA | 10mA
;
    date : string ;
    dist_conversion_factor : integer ;
    distance_unit : 1mm | 1um ;
    frequency_conversion_factor : integer ;
    frequency_unit : 1mhz ;
    gds2_conversion_factor : integer ;
    has_wire_extension: Boolean ;
    inductance_conversion_factor : integer ;
    inductance_unit : 1fh | 1ph | 1nh | 1uh | 1mh | 1h ;
    is_incremental_library : Boolean ;
    manufacturing_grid : float ;
    power_conversion_factor : integer ;
    power_unit : 1uw | 10uw | 100uw | 1mw | 10mw | 100mw | 1w
;
    resistance_conversion_factor : integer ;
    resistance_unit : 1ohm | 100ohm | 10ohm | 1kohm ;
```



```

overlap_layer(layer_name_id) ;
substrate_layer(layer_name_id) ;
cont_layer (layer_name_id) {
    corner_min_spacing : float ;
    max_current_density ;float ;
    max_stack_level ;integer ;
    spacing : float ;
    enclosed_cut_rule () {
        max_cuts : integer ;
        max_neighbor_cut_spacing : float ;
        min_cuts : integer ;
        min_enclosed_cut_spacing : float ;
        min_neighbor_cut_spacing : float ;
    } /* end enclosed_cut_rule */
    max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
} /* end cont_layer */
extension_via_rule () {
    related_layer : name_id ;
    min_cuts_table ( wire_lut_template_name ) {
        index_1
        index_2

```

```

        values
    } * end min_cuts_table */
reference_cut_table ( via_array_lut_template_name )
{
    index_1
    index_2
    values
} /* end reference_cut_table */
} /* end extension_via_rule */
implant_layer () {
    min_width : float ;
    spacing ; float ;
    spacing_from_layer (float, layer_name_id) ;
} /* end implant_layer */
ndiff_layer () {
    max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
} /*end ndiff_layer */
pdiff_layer () {
    max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
}

```

```

        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
} /*end pdiff_layer */
poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
    avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity : float ;
    avg_lateral_oxide_thickness : float ;
    conformal_lateral_oxide (thickness_float, topwall_thickness_float,
                                sidewall_thickness_float
, permittivity_float) ;
    height : float ;
    lateral_oxide : (thickness_float, permittivity_float)
;

    oxide_permittivity : float ;
    oxide_thickness : float ;
    res_per_sq : float ;
    shrinkage : float ;
    thickness : float ;
    max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {

```

```

        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
} /* end poly_layer */
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity
    avg_lateral_oxide_thickness
    baseline_temperature : float ;
    cap_multiplier : float ;
    cap_per_sq : float ;
    conformal_lateral_oxide (thickness_float, topwall_thickness_float
,
                                sidewall_thickness_float
, permittivity_float) ;
    coupling_cap : float ;
    default_routing_width : float ;
    edgecapacitance : float ;
    field_oxide_permittivity : float ;
    field_oxide_thickness : float ;
    fill_active_spacing : float ;
    fringe_cap : float ;
    height : float ;
    inductance_per_dist : float ;
    lateral_oxide : (thickness_float, permittivity_float)
;

    max_current_density : float ;
    max_length : float ;
    max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe : float ;
    max_width : float ;
    min_area : float ;

```

```

min_enclosed_area : float ;
min_enclosed_width : float ;
min_extension_width ; ;
min_fat_wire_width : float ;
min_fat_via_width : float ;
min_length : float ;
min_shape_edge (float, integer, Boolean ) ;
min_width : float ;
min_wire_split_width : float ;
offset : float ;
oxide_permittivity : float ;
oxide_thickness : float ;
pitch : float ;
plate_cap(float, ..., float) ;
process_scale_factor : float ;
ranged_spacing(float, float, float) ;
res_per_sq : float ;
res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
routing_direction : vertical | horizontal ;
same_net_min_spacing : float ;
shrinkage : float ;
spacing : float ;
spacing_check_style : manhattan | diagonal ;
stub_spacing (spacing_float, max_length_threshold_float
);

thickness : float ;
u_shaped_wire_spacing : float ;
wire_extension : float ;
wire_extension_range_check_connect_only : Boolean
;

wire_extension_range_check_connect_corner : Boolean ;

array(array_name) {
    floorplan(floorplan_name_id) {
        /* floorplan_name is optional */
        /* when omitted, results in default floorplan
*/

        site_array(site_name_id) {
            iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int, spacing_x_float,

                    spacing_y_float) ;
            orientation : FE | FN | E | FS | FW | N | S | W
;

            origin(x_float, y_float) ;
            placement_rule : regular | can_place | cannot_occupy
;

        } /* end site_array */
    } /* end floorplan */

```



```

routing_grid () {
    grid_pattern (float, integer, float) ;
    routing_direction : horizontal | vertical
;

} /* end routing_grid */
tracks() {
    layers : "layer1_name_id, ..., layern_name_id"
;

    routing_direction : horizontal | vertical
;

    track_pattern(float, integer, float) ;

    /* starting coordinate, number, spacing
*/

} /*end tracks */
} /* end array */
end_of_line_spacing_rule () {
    end_of_line_corner_keepout_width : float ;
    end_of_line_edge_checking : value_enum ;
    end_of_line_metal_max_width : float ;
    end_of_line_min_spacing : float ;
}
max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}

```

```

}
min_edge_rule () {
    concave_corner_required : Boolean ;
    max_number_of_min_edges : value_int ;
    max_total_edge_length : float ;
    min_edge_length : float ;
}
min_enclosed_area_table () {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
notch_rule () {
    min_notch_edge_length : float ;
    min_notch_width : float ;
    min_wire_width : float ;
}
resistance_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end resistance_table */
shrinkage_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end shrinkage_table */
spacing_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end spacing_table */
wire_extension_range_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end wire_extension_range_table */
} /* end routing_layer */
routing_wire_model(model_name_id) {
    adjacent_wire_ratio(float, ..., float) ;
    overlap_wire_ratio(float, ..., float) ;
    wire_length_x(float) ;
    wire_length_y(float) ;
    wire_ratio_x(float, ..., float) ;
    wire_ratio_y(float, ..., float) ;
} /* end routing_wire_model */
site(site_name_id) {
    on_tile : value_id ;
    site_class : pad | core ; /* default = core
*/

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```

        size(size_xfloat, size_yfloat) ;
        symmetry : x | y | r | xy | rxy ; /* default = none */

    } /* end site */
    tile (tile name) {
        size (float, float) ;
        tile_class : pad | core ; /* default = core */

    }
    via(via_name_id) {
        capacitance : float ;
        inductance : float ;
        is_default : Boolean ;
        is_fat_via : Boolean ;
        res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
        resistance : float ; /* per contact-
cut rectangle */
        same_net_min_spacing(layer_name_id, layer_name_id, spacing_value_float
,
                                is_stack_Boolean) ;
        top_of_stack_only : Boolean ;
        via_id : value_int ;
        foreign(foreign_object_name_id) {
            orientation : FE | FN | E | FS | FW | N | S | W
;
            origin(x_float, y_float) ;
        } /* end foreign */
        via_layer(layer_name_id) {
            contact_array_spacing ( float, float ) ;
            contact_spacing ( float, float ) ;
            enclosure ( float, float ) ;
            max_cuts ( value_int, value_int ) ;
            max_wire_width : float ;
            min_cuts ( integer , integer ) ;
            min_wire_width ; float ;
            rectangle(X0_float, Y0_float, X1_float, Y1_float) ;

                                /* 1 or more rectangle attributes allowed */
;
            rectangle_iterate ( value_int, value_int, float, float, float,
                                float, float, float ) ;
        } /* end via_layer */
    } /* end via */
    via_array_rule () {
        min_cuts_table ( via_array_lut_template_name )
{
            index_1

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        index_2
        values
    } * end min_cuts_table */
    reference_cut_table ( via_array_lut_template_name )
{
    index_1
    index_2
    values
    } /* end reference_cut_table */
} /* end via_array_rules */
} /*end resource */
topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_inout_threshold : float ;
    antenna_input_threshold : float ;
    antenna_output_threshold : float ;
    contact_min_spacing(layer_name_id, layer_name_id, float)
;
    corner_min_spacing (value_id, value_id, float ) ;
    diff_net_min_spacing (value_id, value_id, float ) ;
    end_of_line_enclosure (value_id, value_id, float ) ;
    min_enclosure (value_id, value_id, float ) ;
    min_enclosed_area_table_surrounding_metal : value_enum
;
    min_generated_via_size(float, float) ; /* x, y */
    min_overhang (layer1_string, layer2_string, spacing_value_float)
;
    same_net_min_spacing(layer_name_id, layer_name_id, spacing_value_float,
        is_stack_Boolean) ;
    antenna_rule (antenna_rule_name_id) {
        adjusted_gate_area_calculation_method () ;
        adjusted_metal_area_calculation_method () ;
        antenna_accumulation_calculation_method () ;
        antenna_ratio_calculation_method () ;
        apply_to : gate_area | gate_perimeter | diffusion_area ;
        geometry_calculation_method : all_geometries | connected_only
;
        layer_antenna_factor (layer_name_string, antenna_factor_float)
;
        metal_area_scaling_factor_calculation_method : value_enum
;
        pin_calculation_method : all_pins | each_pin ;
        routing_layer_calculation_method : side_wall_area | top_area |
            side_wall_and_top_area | segment_length | segment_perimeter
;
        adjusted_gate_area () {

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        index_1
        values
    }
    adjusted_metal_area () {
        index_1
        values
    }
    antenna_ratio (template_name_id) {
        index_1 (float, float, float, ...)
        values (float, float, float, ...)
    }
    metal_area_scaling_factor () {
        index_1 (float, float, float, ...)
        values (float, float, float, ...)
    }
} /* end antenna_rule */

default_via_generate () {
    via_routing_layer() {}
    via_contact_layer () {}
}

density_rule () {
    default_via_generate () {
        via_routing_layer() {}
        via_contact_layer () {}
    }

    check_window_size () ;
    check_step : ;
    density_range () ;
}

extension_wire_spacing_rule () {
    extension_wire_qualifier () {
        connected_to_fat_wire : Boolean ;
        corner_wire : Boolean ;
        not_connected_to_fat_wire : Boolean ;
    } /* end extension_wire_spacing_rule */
    min_total_projection_length_qualifier () {
        non_overlapping_projection : Boolean ;
        overlapping_projection : Boolean ;
        parallel_length : Boolean ;
    } /* end min_total_projection_length_qualifier
*/

    spacing_check_qualifier () {
        corner_to_corner : Boolean ;
        non_overlapping_projection_wires : Boolean
;

        overlapping_projection_wires : Boolean ;
        wires_to_check : value_enum ;
    } /* end spacing_check_qualifier */
} /* end extension_wire_spacing_rule */

```

```

stack_via_max_current () {
    bottom_routing_layer : routing_layer_name_id ;
    top_routing_layer : routing_layer_name_id ;
    max_current_ac_absavg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_peak (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_ac_rms (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_3 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
    max_current_dc_avg (template_name_id) {
        index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
        values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    }
} /* end stack_via_max_current */
via_rule(via_rule_name_id) {
    routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id) { /* 2 or more */

        contact_overhang : float ;
        max_wire_width : float ;
        metal_overhang : float ;
        min_wire_width : float ;
        routing_direction : horizontal | vertical
;

        via_list : ;
    } /* end routing_layer_rule */
    vias : "via_name1_id, ..., via_nameN_id," ;
} /* end via_rule */
via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
    capacitance : float ;
    inductance : float ;

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res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
resistance : float ;
routing_formula(layer_name_id) {
    contact_overhang : float ;
    enclosure ( float, float ) ;
    max_wire_width : float ;
    metal_overhang : float ;
    min_wire_width : float ;
    routing_direction : horizontal | vertical
;

} /* end routing_formula */
contact_formula(layer_name_id) {
    contact_array_spacing ( float, float ) ;
    contact_spacing(X_float, Y_float ) ;
    max_cuts ( value_int, value_int ) ;
    max_cut_rows_current_direction : float ;
    min_number_of_cuts : float ;
    rectangle(X0_float, Y0_float, X1_float, Y1_float)
;

    resistance : float ;
    routing_direction : value_enum ;
} /* end contact_formula */
} /* end via_rule_generate */
wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id) {
    via(via_name_id) {
        capacitance : float ;
        inductance : float ;
        res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
        resistance : float ;
        same_net_min_spacing(layer_name_id, layer_name_id, spacing_value_float
,

                                is_stack_Boolean) ;
foreign(foreign_object_name_id) {
    orientation : FE | FN | E | FS | FW | N | S | W
;

    origin(float, float) ;
} /* end foreign */
via_layer(layer_name_id) {
    contact_array_spacing ( float, float )
;

    enclosure ( float, float ) ;
    max_cuts ( value_int, value_int ) ;
    rectangle(X0_float, Y0_float, X1_float, Y1_float)
;

    /* 1 or more rectangles */
} /* end via_layer */
} /* end via */
layer_rule(layer_name_id) {

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        min_spacing : float ;
        same_net_min_spacing(layer_name_id, layer_name_id, spacing_value_float
,
                                is_stack_Boolean) ;
        /* layer1, layer2, spacing, is_stack
*/
        wire_extension : float ;
        wire_width : float ;
    } /* end layer_rule */
} /* end wire_rule */
wire_slotting_rule (wire_slotting_rule_name_id) {
    max_metal_density : float ;
    min_length : float ;
    min_width : float ;
    slot_length_range (min_float, max_float) ;
    slot_length_side_clearance (min_float, max_float)
;
    slot_length_wise_spacing (min_float, max_float) ;
    slot_width_range (min_float, max_float) ;
    slot_width_side_clearance (min_float, max_float)
;
    slot_width_wise_spacing (min_float, max_float) ;
} /* end wire_slotting_rule */
} /* end topological_design_rule */
process_resource(process_name_id{
    baseline_temperature : float ;
    field_oxide_thickness : float ;
    plate_cap(float, ..., float) ;
    process_scale_factor : float ;
    process_cont_layer () {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
        cap_multiplier : float ;
        cap_per_sq : float ;
        conformal_lateral_oxide (thickness_float, topwall_thickness_float,
                                sidewall_thickness_float
, permittivity_float) ;
        coupling_cap : float ;
        edgcapacitance : float ;
        fringe_cap : float ;
        height : float ;
        inductance_per_dist : float ;
        lateral_oxide (thickness_float, permittivity_float)
;
        lateral_oxide_thickness : float ;
        oxide_thickness : float ;
        res_per_sq : float ;

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shrinkage : float ;
thickness : float ;
resistance_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end resistance_table */
shrinkage_table (template_name_id) {
    index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
    values ("float, float, float, ...") ;
} /* end shrinkage_table */
} /* end process_routing_layer */
process_via(via_name_id) {
    capacitance : float ;
    inductance : float ;
    res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
    resistance : float ; /* per contact-
cut rectangle */
} /* end process_via */
process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id) {
    capacitance : float ;
    inductance : float ;
    res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
    resistance : float ;
} /* end process_via_rule_generate */
process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id) {
    process_via(via_name_id) {
        capacitance : float ;
        inductance : float ;
        res_temperature_coefficient : float ;
        resistance : float ;
    } /* end process_via */
} /* end process_wire_rule */
} /*end process_resource */
visual_settings () {
    stipple (stipple_name_id) {
        height : integer ;
        width : integer ;
        pattern (value_1_enum, ..., value_N_enum ;
    } /* end stipple */
    primary_color () {
        light_blue : integer ;
        light_green : integer ;
        light_red : integer ;
        medium_blue : integer ;
        medium_green : integer ;
        medium_red : integer ;
    } /* end primary color */

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color (color_name_id) {
    blue_intensity : integer ;
    green_intensity : integer ;
    red_intensity : integer ;
} /* end color */
height : integer ;
line_style (line_name_id) {
    pattern (value_1_enum, ..., value_N_enum ;
    width : integer ;
} /* end line_styles */
} /* end visual settings */
layer_panel () {
    display_layer (display_layer_name_id) {
        blink : Boolean ;
        color : color_name_string ;
        is_mask_layer : Boolean ;
        line_style : line_style_name_string ;
        mask_layer : layer_name_string ;
        stipple : stipple_name_string ;
        selectable : Boolean ;
        visible : Boolean ;
    } /* end display_layer */
} /* end layer_panel */
milkyway_layer_map () {
    stream_layer (layer_name_id) {
        gds_map (layer_int, datatype_int) ;
        mw_map (layer_int, datatype_int) ;
        net_type : power | ground | clock | signal | viabot | viatop
;
        object_type : data | text | data_text ;
    } /* end stream_layer */
} /* end milkyway_layer_map */
pr_preparation_rules() {
    pr_view_extraction_rules() {
        apply_to_cell_type : value_enum ;
        generate_cell_boundary : Boolean ;
        blockage_extraction() {
            max_dist_to_combine_blockage ("value_string,
value_float");
            preserve_all_metal_blockage : Boolean ;
            routing_blockage_display : Boolean ;
            routing_blockage_includes_spacing : Boolean
;
            treat_all_layers_as_thin_wires ; Boolean ;
            treat_layer_as_thin_wire (value_string, value_string, ... )
;
        }
    }
    pin_extraction () {
        expand_small_pin_on_blockage : Boolean ;

```

```

        extract_connectivity : Boolean ;
        extract_connectivity_thru_cont_layers( value_string, value_string, ...
);
        /* these three attributes can have multiple
pair-statements */
        must_conn_area_layer_map ( "value_string, value_string
");
        must_conn_area_min_width ( "value_string,
value_float" );
        pin2text_layer_map ( value_string, value_string )
;
    }
    via_region_extraction () {
        apply_to_vias ( via_name_string, via_name_string, ... )
;
        apply_to_macro : Boolean ;
        use_rotated_vias : Boolean ;
        top_routing_layer : value_string ;
    }
}
cell_flatten_rules() {
    save_flattened_data_to_original : Boolean ;
}
pr_boundary_generation_rules () {
    pr_boundary_generation () {
        bottom_boundary_offset : value_float ;
        bottom_boundary_reference : value_enum ;
        doubleback_pg_row : Boolean ;
        left_boundary_offset : value_float ;
        left_boundary_reference : value_enum ;
        on_overlap_layer : Boolean ;
        use_overlap_layer_as_boundary
    }
    tile_generation () {
        all_cells_single_height : Boolean ;
        pg_rail_orientation : value_enum ;
        tile_name : value_id ;
        tile_height : value_float ;
        tile_width : value_float ;
    }
}
streamin_rules () {
    boundary_layer_map ( value_int, value_int ) ;
    overwrite_existing_cell : Boolean ;
    save_unmapped_mw_layers : Boolean ;
    save_unmapped_stream_layers : Boolean ;
    text_scaling_factor : value_float ;
    update_existing_cell : Boolean ;
}

```



```

;
    path(float, float, float, ...) ;
    /* width, numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, width, x0, y0, x1, y1, ...
*/
    path_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, ...)
;
    /* width, numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, width, x0, y0, x1, y1, ... */
    polygon(float, float, float, float, float, float, ...) ;
    /* x, y, x0, y0, x1, x2, ..., */
    polygon_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, float, float
,
        float, float, ...) ;
    /* numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, x0, y0, x1, y1, ... */
    preserve_current_layer_blockage : Boolean
;
    treat_current_layer_as_thin_wires : Boolean
;
    rectangle(X0_float, Y0_float, X1_float, Y1_float)
;
    rectangle_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, float, float
,
        float, float) ;
    /* numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, x0, y0, x1, y1
*/
    treat_current_layer_as_thin_wire : Boolean
;
    } /* end geometry */
} /* end obs */
pin(pin_name_id) {
    antenna_contact_accum_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_contact_accum_side_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_contact_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_contact_area_partial_ratio (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_contact_side_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_contact_side_area_partial_ratio (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_diffusion_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
    antenna_gate_area (float, float, float, ...) ;
    antenna_metal_accum_area (float, float, float, ...)
;

```

```

antenna_metal_accum_side_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
antenna_metal_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
antenna_metal_area_partial_ratio (float, float, float, ...)
;
antenna_metal_side_area (float, float, float, ...)
;
antenna_metal_side_area_partial_ratio (float, float, float, ...)
;
capacitance : float ;
direction : inout | input | feedthru | output | tristate
;
eq_pin : pin_name_id;
must_join : pin_name_id;
pin_shape : clock | power | signal | analog | ground
;
pin_type : clock | power | signal | analog | ground
;
foreign(foreign_object_name_id) {
    orientation : FE | FN | E | FS | FW | N | S | W ;

    origin(x_float, Y_float) ;
} /* end foreign */
port() {
    via(via_name_id, float, float) ;
    via_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, string, float, float) ;

    /*num_x, num_y, spacing_x, spacing_y, via_name_id, start_x, start_y
*/
    geometry(layer_name_id) {
        path(float, float, float, ...) ;
        /* width, numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, width, x0, y0, x1, y1, ...
*/
        path_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, float, float,...) ;

        /* width, numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, width, x0, y0, x1, y1, ... */

        polygon(float, float, float, float, float, float, ...) ;

        /* x, y, x0, y0, x1, x2, ..., */
        polygon_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, ...) ;

        /* numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, x0, y0, x1, y1, ... */

        rectangle(X0_float, Y0_float, X1_float, Y1_float)
;
        /* numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, x0, y0, x1, y1
*/

```

```

        rectangle_iterate(integer, integer, float, float, float, float
,
                                float, float) ;
        /* numX, numY, spaceX, spaceY, x0, y0, x1, y1 */

        } /* end geometry */
    } /* end port */
} /* end pin */
site_array(site_name_id) {
    orientation : FE | FN | E | FS | FW | N | S | W
;
    origin(x_float, Y_float) ;
    iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int, spacing_x_float, spacing_y_float
);
} /* end site_array */
} /* end macro */
} /* end phys_library */

```

1.1.1 phys_library Group

The first line in the `phys_library` group names the library. This line is the first executable statement in your library.

Syntax

```

phys_library (library_name_id)
{
    ... library description ...
}

```

library_name

The name of your physical library.

Example

```

phys_library(sample) {
    ...library description...
}

```

bus_naming_style Simple Attribute

Defines a naming convention for bus pins.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{

```

```

... bus_naming_style : "value_string";
...
}

```

value

Can contain alphanumeric characters, braces, underscores, dashes, or parentheses. Must contain one %s symbol and one %d symbol. The %s and %d symbols can appear in any order, but at least one nonnumeric character must separate them.

The colon character is not allowed in a bus_naming_style attribute value because the colon is used to denote a range of bus members.

You construct a complete bused-pin name by using the name of the owning bus and the member number. The owning bus name is substituted for the %s, and the member number replaces the %d.

Example

```
bus_naming_style : "%s[%d]" ;
```

capacitance_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The capacitance_conversion_factor attribute specifies the capacitance resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the capacitance values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the capacitance_unit value.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
...
  capacitance_conversion_factor : value_int ;
...
}

```

value

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
capacitance_conversion_factor : 1000 ;
```

capacitance_unit Simple Attribute

The capacitance_unit attribute specifies the unit for capacitance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  capacitance_unit : value_enum ;
  ...
}
```

value

Valid values are 1pf, 1ff, 10ff, 100ff, 1nf, 1uf, 1mf, and 1f.

Example

```
capacitance_unit : 1pf ;
```

comment Simple Attribute

This optional attribute lets you provide additional descriptive information about the library.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  comment : "value_string" ;
  ...
}
```

value

Any alphanumeric sequence.

Example

```
comment : "0.18 CMOS library for SNPS" ;
```

current_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `current_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the current resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the current values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the `current_unit` value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  current_conversion_factor : value_int ;
  ...
}
```

value

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
current_conversion_factor : 1000 ;
```

current_unit Simple Attribute

The `current_unit` attribute specifies the unit for current.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)  
{  
  ...  
  current_unit : valueenum ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Valid values are 1uA, 1mA, and 1A.

Example

```
current_unit : 1mA ;
```

date Simple Attribute

The `date` attribute specifies the library creation date.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)  
{  
  ...  
  date : "valuestring" ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Any alphanumeric sequence.

Example

```
date : "1st Jan 2003" ;
```

dist_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `dist_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the distance resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the distance values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the `distance_unit` value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  dist_conversion_factor : value_int ;
  ...
}

value
```

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
dist_conversion_factor : 1000 ;
```

distance_unit Simple Attribute

The `distance` attribute specifies the linear distance unit.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  distance_unit : value_enum ;
  ...
}

value
```

Valid values are 1mm and 1um.

Example

```
distance_unit : 1mm ;
```

frequency_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `frequency_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the frequency resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the

frequency values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the `frequency_unit` value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  frequency_conversion_factor : value_int  
  ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
frequency_conversion_factor : 1 ;
```

frequency_unit Simple Attribute

The `frequency_unit` attribute specifies the frequency unit.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  frequency_unit : value_enum ;  
  ...  
}  
  
value
```

The valid value is 1mhz.

Example

```
frequency_unit : 1mhz ;
```

has_wire_extension Simple Attribute

The `has_wire_extension` attribute specifies whether wires are extended by a half width at pins.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  has_wire_extension : value_Boolean ;  
  ...  
}
```

```
}
```

value

Valid values are TRUE (default) and FALSE.

Example

```
has_wire_extension : TRUE ;
```

inductance_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `inductance_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the inductance resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the inductance values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the `inductance_unit` value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  inductance_conversion_factor : value_int ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
inductance_conversion_factor : 1000 ;
```

inductance_unit Simple Attribute

The `inductance_unit` attribute specifies the unit for inductance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  inductance_unit : value_enum ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Valid values are 1fh, 1ph, 1nh, 1uh, 1mh, and 1h.

Example

```
inductance_unit : lph ;
```

is_incremental_library Simple Attribute

The `is_incremental_library` attribute specifies whether this library is only a partial library which is meant to be used as an extension of a primary library.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id) {  
    ...  
    is_incremental_library : valueBoolean ;  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are TRUE (default) and FALSE.

Example

```
is_incremental_library : TRUE ;
```

manufacturing_grid Simple Attribute

The `manufacturing_grid` attribute defines the manufacture grid resolution in the physical library database. This is the smallest geometry size in this library for this process and uses the unit defined in the `distance_unit` attribute.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id) {  
    ...  
    manufacturing_grid : valuefloat ;  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are any positive floating-point number.

Example

```
manufacturing_grid : 100 ;
```

power_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `power_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the factor to use for power

conversion.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    ...  
    power_conversion_factor : value_int ;  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are any positive integer.

Example

```
time_conversion_factor : 100 ;
```

power_unit Simple Attribute

The `power_unit` attribute specifies the unit for power.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    ...  
    power_unit : value_enum ;  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are 1uw, 10uw, 100uw, 1mw, 10mw, 100mw, and 1w.

Example

```
power_unit : 100 ;
```

resistance_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `resistance_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the resistance resolution in the physical library database. For example, when you specify a value of 1000, all the resistance values are stored in the database as 1/1000 of the `resistance_unit` value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    ...
```

```
    resistance_conversion_factor : valueint ;
    ...
}

value
```

Valid values are any multiple of 10.

Example

```
resistance_conversion_factor : 1000 ;
```

resistance_unit Simple Attribute

The `resistance_unit` attribute specifies the unit for resistance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid) {
    ...
    resistance_unit : valueenum ;
    ...
}

value
```

Valid values are 1mohm, 1ohm, 10ohm, 100ohm, 1kohm, and 1Mohm.

Example

```
resistance_unit : 1ohm ;
```

revision Simple Attribute

This optional attribute lets you specify the library revision number.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid) {
    ...
    revision : "valuestring";
    ...
}

value
```

Any alphanumeric sequence.

Example


```
revision : "Revision 2.0.5" ;
```

SiO2_dielectric_constant Simple Attribute

Use the `SiO2_dielectric_constant` attribute to specify the relative permittivity of SiO2 that is to be used to calculate sidewall capacitance.

You determine the dielectric unit by dividing the unit for measuring capacitance by the unit for measuring distance. For example,

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    ...  
    SiO2_dielectric_constant : "value_float";  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

A floating-point number representing the constant.

Example

```
SiO2_dielectric_constant : 3.9 ;
```

time_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `time_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the factor to use for time conversions.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    ...  
    time_conversion_factor : value_int ;  
    ...  
}  
  
value
```

Valid values are any positive integer.

Example

```
time_conversion_factor : 100 ;
```

time_unit Simple Attribute

The `time_unit` attribute specifies the unit for time.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  time_unit : value_enum ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Valid values are 1ns, 100ps, 10ps, and 1ps.

Example

```
time_unit : 100 ;
```

voltage_conversion_factor Simple Attribute

The `voltage_conversion_factor` attribute specifies the factor to use for voltage conversions.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  voltage_conversion_factor : value_int ;  
  ...  
}
```

value

Valid values are any positive integer.

Example

```
voltage_conversion_factor : 100 ;
```

voltage_unit Simple Attribute

The `voltage_unit` attribute specifies the unit for voltage.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  voltage_unit : value_enum ;  
  ...  
}
```

```
}
```

value

Valid values are 1mv, 10mv, 100mv, and 1v.

Example

```
voltage_unit : 100 ;
```

antenna_lut_template Group

The `antenna_lut_template` group defines the table template used to specify the `antenna_ratio` table. The `antenna_ratio` table is a one-dimensional template that accepts only `antenna_diffusion_area` limit as a valid value.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  antenna_lut_template (template_name_id)  
  {  
    ...description...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

template_name

The name of this lookup table template.

Example

```
antenna_lut_template (antenna_template_1) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

`variable_1`

Complex Attribute

`index_1`

variable_1 Simple Attribute

The `variable_1` attribute specifies the antenna diffusion area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  antenna_lut_template (template_name_id) {  
    variable_1 : variable_name_id ;  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

variable_name

The only valid value for *variable_1* is *antenna_diffusion_area*.

Example

```
antenna_lut_template (antenna_template_1) {  
  variable_1 : antenna_diffusion_area ;  
}
```

index_1 Complex Attribute

The *index_1* attribute specifies the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  antenna_lut_template(template_name_id)  
  {  
    index_1 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,  
    ...);  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```
antenna_lut_template (antenna_template_1) {  
  index_1 (0.0, 0.159, 0.16) ;  
}
```

resistance_lut_template Group

The `resistance_lut_template` group defines the template referenced by the `resistance_table` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    ...  
    resistance_lut_template (template_name_id)  
    {  
        ...description...  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

template_name

The name of this lookup table template.

Example

```
resistance_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1  
variable_2
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2
```

variable_1 and *variable_2* Simple Attributes

Use these attributes to specify whether the variable represents the routing width or the routing spacing.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    ...  
    resistance_lut_template (template_name_id)  
    {  
        variable_1 : routing_type_id ;  
        variable_2 : routing_type_id ;  
    }  
}
```

```

    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

routing_type

Valid values are *routing_width* and *routing_spacing*. The values for *variable_1* and *variable_2* must be different.

index_1 and *index_2* Complex Attributes

Use these attributes to specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  resistance_lut_template (template_name_id) {
    ...
    index_1 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    index_2 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    ...
  }
  ...
}

value, value, value, ...

```

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```

resistance_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {
  variable_1 : routing_width ;
  variable_2 : routing_spacing ;
  index_1 (0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8);
  index_2 (0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7);
}

```

shrinkage_lut_template Group

The *shrinkage_lut_template* group defines the template referenced by the *shrinkage_table* group.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)

```

```

{
  ...
  shrinkage_lut_template ( template_name_id)
  {
    ...description...
  }
  ...
}

template_name

```

The name of this lookup table template.

Example

```

shrinkage_lut_template (shrinkage_template_1) {
  ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

variable_1
variable_2

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2

```

variable_1 and *variable_2* Simple Attributes

Use these attributes to specify whether the variable represents the routing width or the routing spacing.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  ...
  shrinkage_lut_template ( template_name_id)
  {
    variable_1 : routing_type_id ;
    variable_2 : routing_type_id ;
    ...
  }
  ...
}

routing_type

```

Valid values are `routing_width` and `routing_spacing`. The values for `variable_1` and `variable_2` must be different.

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

Use these attributes to specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  shrinkage_lut_template (template_name_id)
  {
    ...
    index_1 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    index_2 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    ...
  }
  ...
}

value, value, value, ...
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```
shrinkage_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {
  variable_1 : routing_width ;
  variable_2 : routing_spacing ;
  index_1 (0.3, 0.7, 0.8, 1.2);
  index_2 (0.2, 0.4, 0.9, 1.1);
}
```

spacing_lut_template Group

The `spacing_lut_template` group defines the template referenced by the `spacing_table` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  spacing_lut_template (template_name_id) {
    ...description...
  }
  ...
}
```


template_name

The name of this lookup table template.

Example

```
spacing_lut_template (spacing_template_1) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

variable_1
variable_2
variable_3

Complex Attributes

index_1
index_2
index_3

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

Use these attributes to specify whether the variable represents the routing width or the routing spacing.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  spacing_lut_template (template_name_id)  
  {  
    variable_1 : routing_type_id ;  
    variable_2 : routing_type_id ;  
    variable_3 : routing_type_id ;  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

routing_type

The valid value for *variable_1* is *routing_width*. The valid values for *variable_2* are *routing_width* and *routing_length*. The valid value for *variable_3* is *routing_length*.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Complex Attributes

Use these attributes to specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  spacing_lut_template (template_name_id) {
    ...
    index_1 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,
...);
    index_2 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,
...);
    index_3 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,
...);
    ...
  }
  ...
}

value , value , value , ...
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```
spacing_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {
  variable_1 : routing_width ;
  variable_2 : routing_width ;
  variable_3 : routing_length ;
  index_1 (0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.2);
  index_2 (0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.2);
  index_2 (1.2, 2.4, 3.8, 5.0);
}
```

wire_lut_template Group

The `wire_lut_template` group defines the template referenced by the `wire_extension_range_table` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  wire_lut_template (template_name_id)
  {
    ...description...
  }
  ...
}

template_name
```

The name of this lookup table template.

Example

```
wire_lut_template (wire_template_1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1  
variable_2  
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3
```

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

Use these attributes to specify the routing widths and lengths.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    ...  
    wire_lut_template (template_name_id)  
    {  
        variable_1 : routing_type_id ;  
        variable_2 : routing_type_id ;  
        variable_3 : routing_type_id ;  
        ...  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

routing_type

The valid values for *variable_1* and *variable_2* are *routing_width*, *routing_length*, *top_routing_width*, *bottom_routing_width*, *extension_width*, and *extension_length*. The valid values for *variable_3* are *routing_width*, *routing_length*, *extension_width*, and *extension_length*.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Complex Attributes

Use these attributes to specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  ...  
  wire_lut_template (template_name_id) {  
    ...  
    index_1 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,  
    ...);  
    index_2 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,  
    ...);  
    index_3 (value_float , value_float , value_float ,  
    ...);  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```
wire_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {  
  variable_1 : routing_width ;  
  variable_2 : routing_width ;  
  variable_3 : routing_length ;  
  index_1 (0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.2);  
  index_2 (0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.2);  
  index_2 (1.2, 2.4, 3.8, 5.0);  
}
```

2. Specifying Attributes in the resource Group

You use the `resource` group to specify the process architecture (standard cell or array) and to specify the layer information (such as routing or contact layer). The `resource` group is defined inside the `phys_library` group and must be defined before you model any cell.

The information in this chapter includes a description and syntax example for the attributes that you can define within the `resource` group.

2.1 Syntax for Attributes in the resource Group

The following sections describe the syntax for the attributes you need to define in the resource group. The syntax for the groups you can define within the `resource` group are described in Chapter 3.

2.1.1 *resource* Group

The `resource` group specifies the process architecture class. You must define a `resource` group before you define any `macro` group. Also, you can have only one `resource` group in a physical library.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

architecture

Valid values are `std_cell` (standard cell technology) and `array` (gate array technology).

Example

```
resource(std_cell) {  
  ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
contact_layer  
device_layer  
overlap_layer
```

substrate_layer

Note:

You must specify the layer definition from the substrate out; that is, from the layer closest to the substrate out to the layer farthest from the substrate. You use the following attributes and groups to specify the layer definition:

Attributes: `contact_layer`, `device_layer`, and `overlap_layer`

Groups: `poly_layer`, and `routing_layer`.

Groups

`array`
`cont_layer`
`implant_layer`
`ndiff_layer`
`pdiff_layer`
`poly_layer`
`routing_layer`
`routing_wire_model`
`site`
`tile`
`via`

For information about the syntax and usage of these groups, see [Chapter 3, “Specifying Groups in the resource Group.”](#)

`contact_layer` Complex Attribute

The `contact_layer` attribute defines the contact cut layer that enables current to flow between the device and the first routing layer, or between any two routing layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  ...  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    ...  
    contact_layer(layer_name_id) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
contact_layer(cut01) ;
```

device_layer Complex Attribute

The `device_layer` attribute specifies the layers that are fixed in the base array.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid) {  
  ...  
  resource(architectureenum) {  
    ...  
    device_layer(layer_nameid) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the device layer.

Example

```
device_layer(poly) ;
```

overlap_layer Complex Attribute

The `overlap_layer` attribute specifies a layer for describing a rectilinear footprint of a cell.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)  
{  
  ...  
  resource(architectureenum) {  
    ...  
    overlap_layer(layer_nameid) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the overlap layer.

Example

```
overlap_layer(ovlp1) ;
```

substrate_layer Complex Attribute

The `substrate_layer` attribute specifies a substrate layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)  
{  
  ...  
  resource(architectureenum) {  
    ...  
    substrate_layer(layer_nameid)  
    ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the substrate layer.

Example

```
substrate_layer(ovlp1) ;
```


3. Specifying Groups in the resource Group

You use the `resource` group to specify the process architecture (standard cell or array) and to specify the layer information (such as routing or contact layer). The `resource` group is defined inside the `phys_library` group and must be defined before you model any cell.

This chapter describes the following groups:

- [array Group](#)
- [cont_layer Group](#)
- [implant_layer Group](#)
- [ndiff_layer Group](#)
- [pdiff_layer Group](#)
- [poly_layer Group](#)
- [routing_layer Group](#)
- [routing_wire_model Group](#)
- [site Group](#)
- [tile Group](#)
- [via Group](#)
- [via_array_rule Group](#)

3.1 Syntax for Groups in the resource Group

The following sections describe the groups you define in the `resource` group.

3.1.1 *array Group*

Use this group to specify the base array for a gate array architecture.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_nameid)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

array_name

Specifies a name for the base array.

Note:

Standard cell technologies do not contain array definitions.

Example

```
array(ar1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Groups

```
floorplan  
routing_grid  
tracks
```

floorplan Group

Use this group to specify the arrangement of sites in your design.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    resource(architecture_enum)  
    {  
        array(array_name_id)  
        {  
            floorplan(floorplan_name_id)  
            {  
                ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

floorplan_name

Specifies the name of a floorplan. If you do not specify a name, this floorplan becomes the default floorplan.

Example

```
floorplan(myPlan) {  
    ...  
}
```

Group

site_array

site_array Group

Use this group to specify an array of placement site locations.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      floorplan(floorplan_name_id) {  
        site_array(site_name_id)  
        {  
          ...  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

site_name

The name of a predefined site to be used for this array.

Example

```
site_array(core) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

orientation

Complex Attribute

```
iterate  
origin  
placement_rule
```

orientation Simple Attribute

The `orientation` attribute specifies the site orientation when placed on the floorplan.

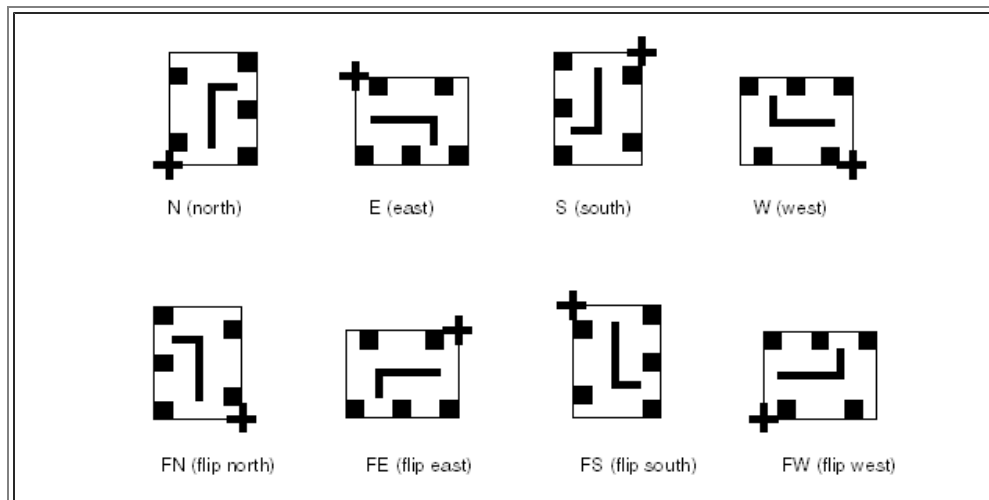
Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    array(array_name_id)
    {
      floorplan(floorplan_name_id)
      {
        site_array(site_name_id)
        {
          orientation : value_enum ;
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 3-1](#).

Figure 3-1 Orientation Examples



Example

```
orientation : E ;
```

iterate Complex Attribute

The `iterate` attribute specifies how many times to iterate the site from the specified origin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_name_id) {
      floorplan(floorplan_name_id) {
        site_array(site_name_id) {
          iterate(num_x_int,
num_y_int,
                space_x_float, space_y_float) ;
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the x and y iteration values.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the spacing values.

Example

```
iterate(20, 40, 55.200, 16.100) ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

The `origin` attribute specifies the point in the floorplan where you can place the first instance of your array.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_name_id) {
      floorplan(floorplan_name_id) {
        site_array(site_name_id)
        {
          origin(num_x_float,
num_y_float) ;
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

num_x, num_y

Floating-point numbers that specify the x- and y-coordinates for the starting point of your array.

Example

```
origin(-1.00, -1.00);
```

placement_rule Complex Attribute

The `placement_rule` attribute specifies whether you can place an instance on the specified site array.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_name_id) {
      floorplan(floorplan_name_id) {
        site_array(site_name_id) {
          placement_rule : value_enum ;
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are `regular`, `can_place`, and `cannot_occupy`.

where

Value	Description
<code>regular</code>	Base array of sites occupying the floorplan.
<code>can_place</code>	Sites are available for placement.
<code>cannot_occupy</code>	Sites are not available for placement.

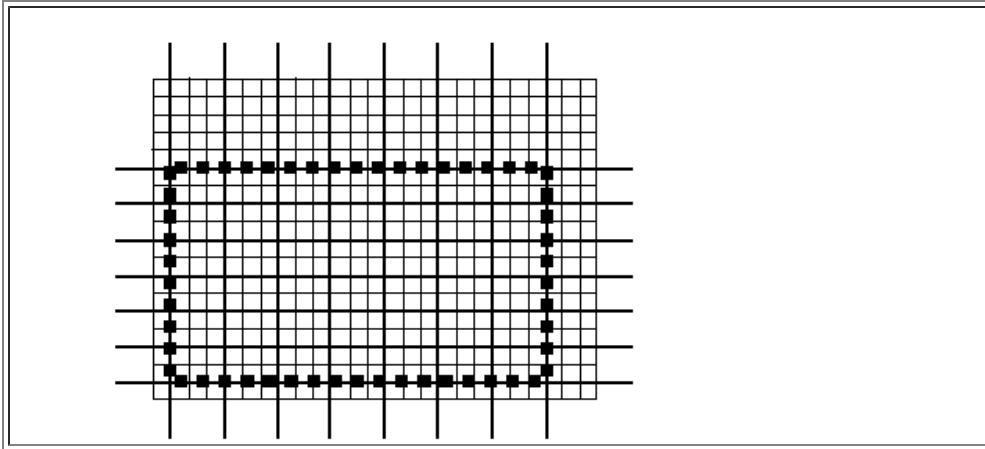
Example

```
placement_rule : can_place ;
```

routing_grid Group

Use this group to specify the global cell grid overlaying the array, as shown in [Figure 3-2](#). If you do not specify a routing grid, the default grid is used.

Figure 3-2 A Routing Grid



Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      routing_grid() {  
        routing_direction : value_enum ;  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Example

```
routing_grid() {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
routing_direction
```

Complex Attribute

grid_pattern

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the preferred grid routing direction.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      routing_grid() {  
        routing_direction : value_enum ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```
routing_direction : horizontal ;
```

grid_pattern Complex Attribute

The `grid_pattern` attribute specifies the global cell grid pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      routing_grid() {  
        grid_pattern(start_float, grids_int,  
                    space_float) ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

start

A floating-point number that represents the grid starting point.

grids

A number that represents the number of grids in the specified routing direction.

space

A floating-point number that represents the spacing between the respective grids.

Example

```
grid pattern(1.0, 100, 2.0)
```

tracks Group

Use this group to specify the routing track grid for the gate array.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      tracks() {  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Note:

You must define at least one `track` group for horizontal routing and one group for vertical routing.

Simple Attributes

```
layers  
routing_direction
```

Complex Attribute

```
track_pattern
```

layers Simple Attribute

The `layers` attribute specifies a list of layers available for the tracks.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_name_id) {
      tracks() {
        layers: "layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id,
          ..., layern_name_id";
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*, ..., *layern_name*

A list of layer names.

Example

```
layers: "m1, m3" ;
```

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the track direction and the possible routing direction.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    array(array_name_id) {
      tracks() {
        ...
        routing_direction: value_enum ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```
routing_direction: horizontal ;
```

track_pattern Complex Attribute

The `track_pattern` attribute specifies the track pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    array(array_name_id) {  
      tracks() {  
        ...  
        track_pattern(start_float, tracks_int, spacing_float) ;  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

start, *tracks*, *spacing*

Specifies the starting-point coordinate, the number of tracks, and the space between the tracks, respectively.

Example

```
track_pattern (1.40, 50, 10.5) ;
```

3.1.2 *cont_layer Group*

Use this group to specify values for the contact layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    cont_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

cont_layer() {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

corner_min_spacing
max_stack_level
spacing

```

Groups

```

enclosed_via_rules
max_current_ac_absavg
max_current_ac_avg
max_current_ac_peak
max_current_ac_rms
max_current_dc_avg

```

corner_min_spacing Simple Attribute

The `corner_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing allowed between two vias when their corners point to each other; otherwise specifies the minimum edge-to-edge spacing.

Note:

The `corner_min_spacing` complex attribute in the `topological_design_rules` group specifies the minimum distance between two contact layers. For more information, see [“corner_min_spacing Complex Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    ...
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        cont_layer () {
            ...
            corner_min_spacing : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

value

A positive floating-point number representing the spacing value.

Example

```
corner_min_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

max_stack_level Simple Attribute

The `max_stack` attribute specifies a value for the maximum number of stacked vias.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid) {  
  resource(architectureenum) {  
    cont_layer() {  
      ...  
      max_stack_level : valueint ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

An integer representing the stack level.

Example

```
max_stack_level : 2 ;
```

spacing Simple Attribute

Defines the minimum separation distance between the edges of objects on the layer when the objects are on different nets.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)  
{  
  ...  
  resource(architectureenum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      ...  
      spacing : valuefloat ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A positive floating-point number representing the minimum spacing value.

Example

```
spacing : 0.0 ;
```

enclosed_cut_rule Group

Use this group to specify the rules for cuts in the middle of the cut array.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      ...  
      enclosed_cut_rule() {  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
max_cuts  
max_neighbor_cut_spacing  
min_cuts  
min_enclosed_cut_spacing  
min_neighbor_cut_spacing
```

max_cuts Simple Attribute

The `max_cuts` attribute specifies the maximum number of neighboring cuts allowed within a specified space (range).

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer() {  
      enclosed_cut_rule(layer_name_id) {  
        max_cuts : value_float ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the number of cuts.

Example

```
max_cuts : 0.0 ;
```

max_neighbor_cut_spacing Simple Attribute

The `max_neighbor_cut_spacing` attribute specifies the spacing (range) around the cut on the perimeter of the array.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      enclosed_cut_rule(layer_name_id) {  
        max_neighbor_cut_spacing : value_float ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing.

Example

```
max_neighbor_cut_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

min_cuts Simple Attribute

The `min_cuts` attribute specifies the minimum number of neighboring cuts allowed within a specified space (range).

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      enclosed_cut_rule(layer_name_id) {  
        min_cuts : value_float ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the number of cuts.

Example

```
min_cuts : 0.0 ;
```

min_enclosed_cut_spacing Simple Attribute

The `min_enclosed_cut_spacing` attribute specifies the spacing (range) around the cut on the perimeter of the array.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    cont_layer () {
      enclosed_cut_rule(layer_name_id) {
        min_enclosed_cut_spacing : value_float ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing.

Example

```
min_enclosed_via_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

min_neighbor_cut_spacing Simple Attribute

The `min_neighbor_cut_spacing` attribute specifies minimum spacing around the

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    cont_layer () {

```



```

enclosed_cut_rule(layer_name_id) {
    min_neighbor_via_spacing : valuefloat ;
    ...
}
}
}
}
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the spacing around the cut on the perimeter of the array..

Example

```
min_neighbor_cut_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        cont_layer () {
            ...
        }
    }
}
max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id) {
    ...
}
}
}
}
template_name

```

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_absavg() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3

```

values

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_avg() {  
  ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
values
```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    cont_layer () {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_peak() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    cont_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_rms() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    cont_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
values
```

3.1.3 implant_layer Group

Use this group to specify the legal placement rules when mixing high drive and low drive cells in the detail placement.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    implant_layer(layer_name_id) {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

layer_name

The name of the implant layer.

Simple Attributes

```
min_width
spacing
```

Complex Attribute

```
spacing_from_layer
```

min_width Simple Attribute

The `min_width` attribute specifies the minimum width of any dimension of an object on the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    implant_layer(layer_name_id) {
      min_width : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the width.

Example

```
min_width : 0.0 ;
```

spacing Simple Attribute

The `spacing` attribute specifies the separation distance between the edges of objects on the layer when the objects are on different nets.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    implant_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      spacing : value_float ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing.

Example

```
spacing : 0.0 ;
```

spacing_from_layer Complex Attribute

The `spacing_from_layer` attribute specifies the minimum allowable spacing between two geometries on the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    implant_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      spacing_from_layer (value_float, name_id) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing.

name

A layer name.

Example

```
spacing_from_layer ( ) ;
```

3.1.4 *ndiff_layer* Group

Use the `ndiff_layer` group to specify the maximum current values for the n-diffusion layer.

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    ndiff_layer () {  
      ...  
    max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id) {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_absavg() {  
  ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
values
```

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
    ndiff_layer () {
        ...
    max_current_ac_avg(template_name_id) {
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_avg () {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
    ndiff_layer () {
        ...
    max_current_ac_peak(template_name_id) {
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example


```

max_current_ac_peak() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    ndiff_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_rms() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    ndiff_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}

template_name
```

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg () {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
values
```

3.1.5 pdiff_layer Group

Use the `pdiff_layer` group to specify the maximum current values for the p-diffusion layer.

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff_layer () {
```

```

    ...
max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id) {
    ...
}
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_absavg() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff_layer () {
        ...
max_current_ac_avg(template_name_id) {
    ...
}
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_avg() {

```

```
    ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_peak() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass

through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    pdiff_layer () {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_rms () {  
  ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
values
```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    pdiff_layer () {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
values
```

3.1.6 *poly_layer* Group

Use this group to specify the poly layer name and properties.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    resource(architecture_enum) {  
        poly_layer(layer_name_id) {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the poly layer.

Example

```
poly_layer() {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity  
avg_lateral_oxide_thickness  
height  
oxide_permittivity  
oxide_thickness
```

```
res_per_sq
shrinkage
thickness
```

Complex Attributes

```
conformal_lateral_oxide
lateral_oxide
```

Groups

```
max_current_ac_absavg
max_current_ac_avg
max_current_ac_peak
max_current_ac_rms
max_current_dc_avg
```

avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a value representing the average lateral oxide permittivity.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
      avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

permittivity

A floating-point number that represents the lateral oxide permittivity.

Example

```
avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity (0.0 ) ;
```

avg_lateral_oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a value representing the average lateral oxide thickness.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
    avg_lateral_oxide_thickness : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

thickness

A floating-point number that represents the lateral oxide thickness.

Example

```
avg_lateral_oxide_thickness (0.0) ;
```

height Simple Attribute

The `height` attribute specifies the distance from the top of the substrate to the bottom of the routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
    height : type_name_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

type_name

A floating-point number representing the distance.

Example

```
height : 1.0 ;
```

oxide_permittivity Simple Attribute

The `oxide_permittivity` attribute specifies the oxide permittivity for the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {

```



```

poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
    oxide_permittivity : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the permittivity.

Example

```
oxide_permittivity : 3.9 ;
```

oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

The `oxide_thickness` attribute specifies the oxide thickness for the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
            oxide_thickness : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

float

A floating-point number representing the thickness.

Example

```
oxide_thickness : 2.0 ;
```

res_per_sq Simple Attribute

The `res_per_sq` attribute specifies the resistance unit area of a poly layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
            res_per_sq : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```
}  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the resistance value.

Example

```
res_per_sq : 1.200e-01 ;
```

shrinkage Simple Attribute

The `shrinkage` attribute specifies the total distance by which the wire width on the layer shrinks or expands. The shrinkage parameter is a sum of the shrinkage for each side of the wire. The post-shrinkage wire width represents the final processed silicon width as calculated from the drawn silicon width in the design database.

Note:

Do not specify a value for the `shrinkage` attribute or `shrinkage_table` group if you specify a value for the `process_scale_factor` attribute.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    poly_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      shrinkage : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the distance. A positive number represents shrinkage; a negative number represents expansion.

Example

```
shrinkage : 0.00046 ;
```

thickness Simple Attribute

The `thickness` attribute specifies the thickness of the routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
      thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the thickness.

Example

```

thickness : 0.02 ;

```

conformal_lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

The `conformal_lateral_oxide` attribute specifies values for the thickness and permittivity of a layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    poly_layer(layer_name_id) {
      conformal_lateral_oxide(value_1_float, value_2_float
, \
                                value_3_float, value_4_float )
;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value_1

A floating-point number that represents the oxide thickness.

value_2

A floating-point number that represents the topwall thickness.

value_3

A floating-point number that represents the sidewall thickness.

value_4

A floating-point number that represents the oxide permittivity.

Example

```
conformal_lateral_oxide (0.2, 0.3, 0.21, 3.5) ;
```

lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

The `lateral_oxide` attribute specifies values for the thickness and permittivity of a layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    poly_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      lateral_oxide(thickness_float, permittivity_float) ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

thickness

A floating-point number that represents the oxide thickness.

permittivity

A floating-point number that represents the oxide permittivity.

Example

```
lateral_oxide (0.024, 3.6) ;
```

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    pdiff () {  
      ...  
      max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id) {  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_absavg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
values
```

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    resource(architecture_enum) {  
        pdiff () {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_avg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff () {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_peak() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
```

```

{
resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff () {
        ...
    max_current_ac_rms(template_name_id) {
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_rms () {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum) {
    pdiff () {
        ...
    max_current_dc_avg(template_name_id) {
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
values
```

3.1.7 routing_layer Group

Use this group to specify the routing layer name and properties.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    resource(architecture_enum) {  
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the routing layer.

Example

```
routing_layer(m1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity  
avg_lateral_oxide_thickness  
baseline_temperature  
cap_multiplier  
cap_per_sq  
coupling_cap  
default_routing_width  
edgecapacitance
```


field_oxide_permittivity
field_oxide_thickness
fill_active_spacing
fringe_cap
height
inductance_per_dist
max_current_density
max_length
max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe
max_width
min_area
min_enclosed_area
min_enclosed_width
min_fat_wire_width
min_fat_via_width
min_length
min_width
min_wire_split_width
offset
oxide_permittivity
oxide_thickness
pitch
process_scale_factor
res_temperature_coefficient
routing_direction
same_net_min_spacing
shrinkage
spacing
thickness
u_shaped_wire_spacing
wire_extension
wire_extension_range_check_connect_only
wire_extension_range_check_corner_only

Complex Attribute

conformal_lateral_oxide
lateral_oxide
min_extension_width
min_shape_edge
plate_cap
ranged_spacing
spacing_check_style
stub_spacing

Groups

end_of_line_spacing_rule

```

extension_via_rule
max_current_ac_absavg
max_current_ac_avg
max_current_ac_peak
max_current_ac_rms
max_current_dc_avg
min_edge_rule
min_enclosed_area_table
notch_rule
resistance_table
shrinkage_table
spacing_table
wire_extension_range_table

```

avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a value representing the average lateral oxide permittivity.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architectureenum) {
    routing_layer(layer_nameid) {
      avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity : valuefloat ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

permittivity

A floating-point number that represents the lateral oxide permittivity.

Example

```

avg_lateral_oxide_permittivity (0.0 ) ;

```

avg_lateral_oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a value representing the average lateral oxide thickness.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architectureenum) {

```

```

routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    avg_lateral_oxide_thickness : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

thickness

A floating-point number that represents the lateral oxide thickness.

Example

```

avg_lateral_oxide_thickness (0.0) ;

```

baseline_temperature Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a baseline operating condition temperature.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            baseline_temperature : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the temperature.

Example

```

baseline_temperature : 60.0 ;

```

cap_multiplier Simple Attribute

Use the `cap_multiplier` attribute to specify a scaling factor for interconnect capacitance to account for changes in capacitance due to nearby wires.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {

```

```

        cap_multiplier : valuefloat ;
        ...
    }
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
cap_multiplier : 2.0
```

cap_per_sq Simple Attribute

The `cap_per_sq` attribute specifies the substrate capacitance per unit area of a routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      cap_per_sq : valuefloat ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance for a square unit of wire, in picofarads per square distance unit.

Example

```
cap_per_sq : 5.909e-04 ;
```

coupling_cap Simple Attribute

The `coupling_cap` attribute specifies the coupling capacitance per unit length between parallel wires on the same layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {

```

```

        coupling_cap : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```

coupling_cap: 0.000019 ;

```

default_routing_width Simple Attribute

The `default_routing_width` attribute specifies the minimal routing width (default) for wires on the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      default_routing_width : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A positive floating-point number representing the default routing width.

Example

```

default_routing : 4.400e-01 ;

```

edgcapacitance Simple Attribute

The `edgcapacitance` attribute specifies the total peripheral capacitance per unit length of a wire on the routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      edgcapacitance : value_float ;
    }
  }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}

value

```

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance per unit length value.

Example

```
edgecapacitance : 0.00065 ;
```

field_oxide_permittivity Simple Attribute

The `field_oxide_permittivity` attribute specifies the relative permittivity of the field oxide.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      field_oxide_permittivity : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value

```

A positive floating-point number representing the relative permittivity.

Example

```
field_oxide_permittivity : 3.9 ;
```

field_oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

The `field_oxide_thickness` attribute specifies the field oxide thickness.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      field_oxide_thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A positive floating-point number in distance units.

Example

```
field_oxide_thickness : 0.5 ;
```

fill_active_spacing Simple Attribute

The `fill_active_spacing` attribute specifies the spacing between fill metal and active geometry.

Syntax

```
phys_library(value_float) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      fill_active_spacing : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing.

Example

```
fill_active_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

fringe_cap Simple Attribute

The `fringe_cap` attribute specifies the fringe (sidewall) capacitance per unit length of a routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      fringe_cap : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```
fringe_cap : 0.00023 ;
```

height Simple Attribute

The `height` attribute specifies the distance from the top of the substrate to the bottom of the routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      height : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the distance.

Example

```
height : 1.0 ;
```

inductance_per_dist Simple Attribute

The `inductance_per_dist` attribute specifies the inductance per unit length of a routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      inductance_per_dist : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```


value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance_per_dist : 0.0029 ;
```

max_current_density Simple Attribute

The `max_current_density` attribute specifies the maximum current density for a contact.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      max_current_density : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents, in amperes per centimeter, the maximum current density the contact can carry.

Example

```
max_current_density : 0.0 ;
```

max_length Simple Attribute

The `max_length` attribute specifies the maximum length of wire segments on the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      max_length : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents wire segment length.

Example

```
max_length : 0.0 ;
```

max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the maximum wire spacing for layer parasitic extraction (LPE) when calculating intracapacitance.

Use the true spacing value for calculating intracapacitance when the spacing between all wires reflects the following equation:

$$\text{distances} < \text{spacing} * \text{max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe}$$

Use a calculated value as shown for calculating intracapacitance when the spacing between all wires reflects the following equation.

$$\text{distances} > (\text{spacing} * \text{max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe})$$

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the distance.

Example

```
max_observed_spacing_ratio_for_lpe : 3.0 ;
```

max_width Simple Attribute

The `max_width` attribute specifies the maximum width of wire segments on the layer for DRC.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
```

```

{
resource(architecture_enum) {
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    max_width : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

value

```

A floating-point number that represents wire segment width.

Example

```
max_width : 0.0 ;
```

min_area Simple Attribute

The `min_area` attribute specifies the minimum metal area for the given routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    min_area : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

value

```

A floating-point number that represents the minimum metal area.

Example

```
min_area : 0.0 ;
```

min_enclosed_area Simple Attribute

The `min_enclosed_area` attribute specifies the minimum metal area, enclosed by ring-shaped wires or vias, for the given routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum) {

```

```

routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    min_enclosed_area : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum metal area.

Example

```
min_enclosed_area : 0.14 ;
```

min_enclosed_width Simple Attribute

The `min_enclosed_width` attribute specifies the minimum metal width for the given routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            min_enclosed_width : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum metal width.

Example

```
min_enclosed_width : 0.14 ;
```

min_fat_wire_width Simple Attribute

The `min_fat_wire_width` attribute specifies the minimal wire width that defines whether a wire is a fat wire.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            min_fat_wire_width : value_float ;
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}
value

```

A floating-point number that represents the minimal wire width.

Example

```
min_fat_wire_width : 0.0 ;
```

min_fat_via_width Simple Attribute

The `min_fat_via_width` attribute specifies a threshold value for using the fat wire spacing rule instead of the default spacing rule

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      min_fat_via_width : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
value

```

A floating-point number that represents the threshold value.

Example

```
min_fat_via_width : 0.0 ;
```

min_length Simple Attribute

The `min_length` attribute specifies the minimum length of wire segments on the layer for DRC.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      min_length : value_float ;
    }
  }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum wire segment length.

Example

```
min_length : 0.202 ;
```

min_width Simple Attribute

The `min_width` attribute specifies the minimum width of wire segments on the layer for DRC.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      min_width : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum wire segment width.

Example

```
min_width : 0.202 ;
```

min_wire_split_width Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the minimum wire width for split wires.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {

```

```

        min_wire_split_width : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum wire split width.

Example

```
min_wire_split_width : 0.202 ;
```

offset Simple Attribute

The `offset` attribute specifies the offset distance from the placement grid to the routing grid. The default is one half the routing pitch value.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      offset : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the distance.

Example

```
offset : 0.0025 ;
```

oxide_permittivity Simple Attribute

The `oxide_permittivity` attribute specifies the permittivity for the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      oxide_permittivity : value_float ;
    }
  }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the permittivity.

Example

```
oxide_permittivity : 3.9 ;
```

oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

The `oxide_thickness` attribute specifies the oxide thickness for the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      oxide_thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the thickness.

Example

```
oxide_thickness : 1.33 ;
```

pitch Simple Attribute

The `pitch` attribute specifies the track distance (center point to center point) of the detail routing grid for a standard-cell routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      pitch : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```



```
}  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the specified distance.

Example

```
pitch : 8.400e-01 ;
```

process_scale_factor Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the factor to use before RC calculation to scale the length, width, and spacing.

Note:

Do not specify a value for the `process_scale_factor` attribute if you specify a value for the `shrinkage` attribute or `shrinkage_table` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      process_scale_factor : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
process_scale_factor : 0.95 ;
```

res_per_sq Simple Attribute

The `res_per_sq` attribute specifies the resistance unit area of a routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum) {
```

```

routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    res_per_sq : valuefloat ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the resistance value.

Example

```
res_per_sq : 1.200e-01 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

Use the `temperatureCoeff` attribute to define the coefficient of the first-order correction to the resistance per square when the operating temperature is not equal to the nominal temperature at which the resistance per square variables are defined.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            res_temperature_coefficient : valuefloat ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the temperature coefficient.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.00 ;
```

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the preferred direction for routing wires.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {

```

```

routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    routing_direction : value_enum ;
    ...
}
}
}

```

value

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```

routing_direction : horizontal ;

```

same_net_min_spacing Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies a smaller spacing distance rule than the default rule for two shapes belonging to the same net.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            same_net_min_spacing : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing distance.

Example

```

same_net_min_spacing : 0.04 ;

```

shrinkage Simple Attribute

The `shrinkage` attribute specifies the total distance by which the wire width on the layer shrinks or expands. The shrinkage parameter is a sum of the shrinkage for each side of the wire. The postshrinkage wire width represents the final processed silicon width as calculated from the drawn silicon width in the design database.

Note:

Do not specify a value for the `shrinkage` attribute or `shrinkage_table` group if you specify a value for the `process_scale_factor` attribute.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      shrinkage : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the distance. A positive number represents shrinkage; a negative number represents expansion.

Example

```
shrinkage : 0.00046 ;
```

spacing Simple Attribute

The `spacing` attribute specifies the minimal (default) value for different net (edge to edge) spacing for regular wiring on the layer. This spacing value applies to all routing widths unless overridden by the `ranged_spacing` attribute in the same `routing_layer` group or by the `wire_rule` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      spacing : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the minimal different net spacing value.

Example

```
spacing : 3.200e-01 ;
```

thickness Simple Attribute

The `thickness` attribute specifies the nominal thickness of the routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the thickness.

Example

```
thickness : 0.02 ;
```

u_shaped_wire_spacing Simple Attribute

The `u_shaped_wire_spacing` attribute specifies that a u-shaped notch requires more spacing between wires than the value of the `spacing` attribute allows.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      u_shaped_wire_spacing : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```
u_shaped_wire_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

wire_extension Simple Attribute

The `wire_extension` attribute specifies the distance for extending wires at vias.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_nameid) {
      wire_extension : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the wire extension value. A zero value specifies no wire extension. A nonzero value must be at least half the routing width for the layer.

Example

```
wire_extension : 0.025 ;
```

wire_extension_range_check_connect_only Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies whether the projection length requires wide wire spacing.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      wire_extension_range_check_connect_only : Boolean ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
wire_extension_range_check_connect_only : true ;
```

wire_extension_range_check_corner Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies whether the projection length requires wide wire spacing.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      wire_extension_range_check_corner : Boolean ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Boolean

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
wire_extension_range_check_corner : true ;
```

conformal_lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

This attribute specifies values for the thickness and permittivity of a layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      conformal_lateral_oxide(value_1_float, value_2_float,\
        value_3_float, value_4_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value_1

A floating-point number that represents the oxide thickness.

value_2

A floating-point number that represents the topwall thickness.

value_3

A floating-point number that represents the sidewall thickness.

value_4

A floating-point number that represents the oxide permittivity.

Example

```
conformal_lateral_oxide (0.2, 0.3, 0.21, 3.6) ;
```

lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

The `lateral_oxide` attribute specifies values for the thickness and permittivity of a layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {  
      lateral_oxide(thickness_float, permittivity_float) ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

thickness

A floating-point number that represents the oxide thickness.

permittivity

A floating-point number that represents the oxide permittivity.

Example

```
lateral_oxide (0.)4, 3.9) ;
```

min_extension_width Complex Attribute

The `min_extension_width` attribute specifies the rules for a protrusion.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{
```



```

resource(architecture_enum) {
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    min_extension_width (value_1_float,
        value_2_float, value_3_float);
        ...
    }
}
}

```

value_1

A floating-point number that represents minimum wire width.

value_2

A floating-point number that represents the maximum extension length.

value_3

A floating-point number that represents the minimum extension width.

Example

```
min_extension_width ( ) ;
```

min_shape_edge Complex Attribute

For a polygon, this attribute specifies the maximum number of edges of minimum edge length.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    min_shape_edge (length_float, edges_int);
        ...
    }
}
}

```

length

A floating-point number that represents the minimum length of a polygon edge.

edges

An integer that represents the maximum number of polygon edges.

Example

```
min_shape_edge(0.02, 3) ;
```

plate_cap Complex Attribute

The `plate_cap` attribute specifies the interlayer capacitance per unit area when a wire on the first routing layer overlaps a wire on the second routing layer.

Note:

The `plate_cap` statement must follow all the `routing_layer` statements and precede the `routing_wire_model` statements.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      plate_cap(PCAP_la_lb_float, PCAP_la_lb_float,
               PCAP_In-1_In_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

PCAP_la_lb

Represents a floating-point number that specifies the plate capacitance per unit area between two routing layers, layer a and layer b. The number of PCAP values is determined by the number of previously defined routing layers. You must specify every combination of routing layer pairs based on the order of the routing layers. For example, if the layers are defined as substrate, layer1, layer2, and layer3, then the PCAP values are defined in PCAP_11_12, PCAP_11_13, and PCAP_12_13.

Example

The example shows a `plate_cap` statement for a library with four layers. The values are indexed by the routing layer order.

```
plate_cap( 0.35, 0.06, 0.0, 0.25, 0.02, 0.15)
;

/* PCAP_1_2, PCAP_1_3, PCAP_1_4, PCAP_2_3, PCAP_2_4, PCAP_3_4
*/
```

ranged_spacing Complex Attribute

The `ranged_spacing` attribute specifies the different net spacing (edge to edge) for regular wiring on the layer. You can also use the `ranged_spacing` attribute to specify the minimal spacing for a particular routing width range of the metal. You can use more than one `ranged_spacing` attribute to specify spacings for different ranges.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      ranged_spacing(min_width_float,
                    max_width_float,
                    spacing_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

min_width, *max_width*

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum routing width range.

spacing

A floating-point number that represents the spacing.

Example

```
ranged_spacing(2.5, 5.5, 1.3) ;
```

spacing_check_style Complex Attribute

The `spacing_check` attribute specifies the minimum distance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      spacing_check_style : check_style_name_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

check_style_name

Valid values are `manhattan` and `diagonal`.

Example

```
spacing_check_style : diagonal ;
```

stub_spacing Complex Attribute

The `stub_spacing` attribute specifies the distances required between the edges of two objects on a layer when the distance that the objects run parallel to each other is less than or equal to a specified threshold.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    stub_spacing(layer_name_id) {
      stub_spacing (spacing_float,
                    max_length_threshold_float,
                    min_wire_width_float,
                    max_wire_width_float
      );
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

spacing

A floating-point number that is less than the minimum spacing value specified for the layer.

max_length_threshold

A floating-point number that represents the maximum distance that two objects on the layer can run parallel to each other.

min_wire_width

A floating-point number that represents the minimum spacing to a neighbor wire (optional).

max_wire_width

A floating-point number that represents the maximum spacing to a neighbor wire (optional).

Example

```
stub_spacing(1.05, 0.08)
```

end_of_line_spacing_rule Group

Use the `end_of_line_spacing_rule` attribute to specify the spacing between a stub wire and other wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      {
        end_of_line_spacing_rule()
        {
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
end_of_line_corner_keepout_width
end_of_line_edge_checking
end_of_line_metal_max_width
end_of_line_min_spacing
max_wire_width
```

Example

```
end_of_line_spacing_rule () {
    ...
}
```

end_of_line_corner_keepout_width Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the corner keepout width.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      end_of_line_spacing_rule() {
        end_of_line_corner_keepout_width : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are 1 and 0.

Example

```
end_of_line_corner_keepout_width : 0.0 ;
```

end_of_line_edge_checking Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the number of edges to check.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      end_of_line_spacing_rule()
      {
        end_of_line_edge_checking : value_enum ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are *one_edge*, *two_edges*, and *three_edges*.

Example

```
end_of_line_edge_checking
```

end_of_line_metal_max_width Simple Attribute

The maximum distance between two objects on a layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{

```

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
  routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    end_of_line_spacing_rule() {
      end_of_line_metal_max_width : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the width.

Example

```
end_of_line_metal_max_width
```

end_of_line_min_spacing Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the minimum distance required between the parallel edges of two objects on the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      end_of_line_spacing_rule() {
        end_of_line_min_spacing : value_float ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing.

Example

```
end_of_line_min_spacing : 0.0 ;
```

max_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the maximum wire width for the spacing rule.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      end_of_line_spacing_rule() {
        max_wire_width :value_float ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the width.

Example

```
max_wire_width
```

extension_via_rule Group

Use this group to define specific via and minimum cut numbers for a given fat metal width and extension range.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      extension_via_rule() {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
related_layer
```

Groups

```
min_cuts_table
reference_cut_table
```

Example


```

extension_via_rule ( ) {
    ...
}

```

related_layer

The `related_layer` attribute specifies the contact layer to which this rule applies.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      extension_via_rule()
      {
        related_layer : layer_name_id ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

layer_name

A string value representing the layer name.

Example

```

related_layer : ;

```

min_cuts_table Group

Use this group to specify the minimum number of vias.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      extension_via_rule() {
        min_cuts_table (template_name_id)
      }
      index_1("value_float, value_float,
...");
    }
  }
}

```

```

index_2("value_float, value_float,
...");
        values ("value_float, value_float,
...");
    }
}
}
}
}

```

wire_lut_template_name

The *wire_lut_template* name.

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
values

```

index_1 and *index_2* Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
resource(architecture_enum) {
routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    extension_via_rule() {
        min_cuts_table(wire_lut_template_name_id)
    {
        index_1 ("value_float, value_float,
...");
        index_2 ("value_float, value_float,
...");
        values ("value_float, value_float,
...");
    }
}
}
}
}
}

```

Example

```

extension_via_rule (template_name) {
    index_1 ( "0.6, 0.8, 1.2" ) ;
    index_2 ( "0.6, 0.8, 1.0" ) ;
    values ( "0.07, 0.08, 0.09" ) ;
}

```

reference_cut_table Group

Use this group to specify a table of predefined via values.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      extension_via_rule(via_array_lut_template_name_id)
      {
        reference_cut_table (wire_lut_template_name_id)
        {
          index_1("valuefloat, valuefloat,
...");
          index_2("valuefloat, valuefloat,
...");
          values ("valuefloat, valuefloat,
...");
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

via_array_lut_template_name

The *via_array_lut_template* name.

Complex Attributes

index_1
index_2
values

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      extension_via_rule() {
        index_1 ("valuefloat, valuefloat, valuefloat,
...");
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

        index_2 ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
...");
        values ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
...");
    }
}
}
}

```

Example

```

extension_via_rule (template_name) {
    index_1 ( "0.6. 0.8, 1.2" ) ;
    index_2 ( "0.6, 0.8, 1.0" ) ;
    values ( "0.07, 0.08, 0.09" ) ;
}

```

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum) {
        routing_layer () {
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```

max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id)
{
    ...
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_absavg() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2

```

```
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer () {
      ...
    }
  }
}
max_current_ac_avg(template_name_id)
{
  ...
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_avg() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
```

```

{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
    routing_layer () {
        ...
max_current_ac_peak(template_name_id)
{
    ...
    }
}
}
}

template_name

```

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_peak() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer () {
        ...
max_current_ac_rms(template_name_id)
{
    ...
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_rms() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
values
```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    resource(architecture_enum) {  
        routing_layer () {  
            ...  
            max_current_dc_avg(template_name_id)  
            {  
                ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
values
```

min_edge_rule Group

Use the `min_edge_rule` group to specify the minimum edge length rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      min_edge_rule() {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Example

```
min_edge_rule () {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
concave_corner_required
max_number_of_min_edges
max_total_edge_length
min_edge_length
```

concave_corner_required Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies whether a concave corner triggers a violation of the minimum edge length rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
```



```

{
    min_edge_rule() {
        concave_corner_required : value_Boolean ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}
}

```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
concave_corner_required : TRUE ;
```

max_number_of_min_edges Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the maximum number of consecutive short (minimum) edges.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id)
        {
            min_edge_rule() {
                max_number_of_min_edges : value_int ;
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

value

An integer value representing the number of edges.

Example

```
max_number_of_min_edges : 1 ;
```

max_total_edge_length Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the maximum allowable total edge length.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architectureenum) {
    routing_layer(layer_nameid) {
      min_edge_rule() {
        max_total_edge_length : valuefloat ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the edge length.

Example

```
max_total_edge_length : 0.0 ;
```

min_edge_length Simple Attribute

The *min_edge_length* attribute specifies the length for defining short edges

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architectureenum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      min_edge_rule() {
        min_edge_length : valuefloat ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

term
```

A floating-point number representing the edge length.

Example

```
min_edge_length : 0.0 ;
```

min_enclosed_area_table Group

Use this group to specify a range of values for an enclosed area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      min_enclosed_area_table(wire_lut_template_name_id)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

wire_lut_template_name

The *wire_lut_template* name.

Example

```
min_enclosed_area_table ( ) {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

index_1
values

index_1 Complex Attribute

The *index_1* attribute specifies the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      min_enclosed_area_table(wire_lut_template_name_id)
      {
        index_1 ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
        ...")
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

        index_2 ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
...")
        values ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
...");
    }
}
}
}

```

Example

```

min_enclosed_area_table (template_name) {
    index_1 ( "0.6. 0.8, 1.2" ) ;
    values ( "0.07, 0.08, 0.09" ) ;
}

```

notch_rule Group

Use the `notch_rule` group to specify the notch rules.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
            notch_rule() {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Example

```

notch_rule () {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

min_notch_edge_length
min_notch_width

```

min_notch_edge_length Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the notch height.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
routing_layer(layer_name_id)
{
    notch_rule() {
        min_notch_edge_length : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the notch height.

Example

```
min_notch_edge_length : 0.4 ;
```

min_notch_width Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the notch width.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
routing_layer(layer_name_id)
{
    notch_rule() {
        min_notch_width : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the notch width.

Example

```
min_notch_width : 0.26 ;
```

min_wire_width Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the minimum wire width.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum) {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      notch_rule() {
        min_wire_width : value_float ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the wire width.

Example

```
min_wire_width : 0.26 ;
```

resistance_table Group

Use this group to specify an array of values for sheet resistance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      resistance_table(template_name_id)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of a `resistance_lut_template` defined at the `phys_library` level.

Example

```
resistance_table ( ) {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
values
```

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    resource(architecture_enum)  
    {  
        routing_layer(layer_name_id)  
        {  
            resistance_table(template_name_id)  
            {  
                index_1 ("value_float, value_float, value_float,  
...")  
                index_2 ("value_float, value_float, value_float,  
...")  
                values ("value_float, value_float, value_float,  
...");  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Example

```
resistance_table (template_name) {  
    index_1 ( "0.6, 0.8, 1.2" ) ;  
    index_2 ( "0.6, 0.8, 1.0" ) ;  
    values ( "0.07, 0.08, 0.09" ) ;  
}
```

shrinkage_table Group

Use this group to specify a lookup table template.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
      shrinkage_table(template_name_id)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of a `shrinkage_lut_template` defined at the `phys_library` level.

Example

```
shrinkage_table (shrinkage_lut) {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

`index_1`
`index_2`
`values`

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  shrinkage_table (template_name_id)
  {
    index_1 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    index_2 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    values ("value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...", "...") ;
    ...
  }
}
```



```
    ...  
}
```

value, value, value, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the indexes for this shrinkage table and the shrinkage table values.

Example

```
shrinkage_table (shrinkage_template_name) {  
    values ("0.02, 0.03, 0.04", "0.0,1 0.02, 0.03"  
);  
}
```

spacing_table Group

Use this group to specify a lookup table template.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    resource(architecture_enum)  
    {  
        routing_layer(layer_name_id)  
        {  
            spacing_table(template_name_id)  
            {  
                ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

template_name

The name of a `spacing_lut_template` defined at the `phys_library` level.

Example

```
spacing_table (spacing_template_1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2
```

index_3
values

index_1, index_2, index_3, and values Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the indexes and values for the spacing table.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  ...  
  spacing_table (template_name_id)  
  {  
    index_1 (value_float, value_float, value_float,  
    ...);  
    index_2 (value_float, value_float, value_float,  
    ...);  
    index_3 (value_float, value_float, value_float,  
    ...);  
    values ("value_float, value_float, value_float",  
    "...",  
           "...") ;  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

value, value, value, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the indexes and spacing table values.

Example

```
spacing_table (spacing_template_1) {  
  index_1 (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);  
  index_2 (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);  
  index_3 (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);  
  values (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);  
}
```

wire_extension_range_table Group

Use this group to specify the length of a wire extension where the wide wire spacing must be observed. A wire extension is a piece of thin or fat metal extended out from a wide wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{
```

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
  routing_layer(layer_name_id)
  {
    wire_extension_range_table(template_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

template_name

The name of a `wire_lut_template` defined at the `phys_library` level.

Example

```

wire_extension_range_table (wire_template_1) {
  ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

`index_1`
`values`

index_1 and values Complex Attributes

These attributes specify the wire width values and corresponding `wire_extension_range` values.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  wire_extension_range_table (template_name_id)
  {
    index_1 (value_float, value_float, value_float,
    ...);
    values ("value_float, value_float, value_float",
    "...", "...");
  }
  ...
}

```

value, value, value, ...

Floating-point numbers.

Example

```
wire_extension_range_table (wire_template_1) {
    index_1 (0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0);
    values ( "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4" ) ;
}
```

3.1.8 routing_wire_model Group

A predefined routing wire ratio model that represents an estimation on interconnect topology.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
        {
            ...
        }
    }
}
```

model_name

Specifies the name of the predefined routing wire model.

Example

```
routing_wire_model(mod1) {
    ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
wire_length_x
wire_length_y
```

Complex Attributes

```
adjacent_wire_ratio
overlap_wire_ratio
wire_ratio_x
wire_ratio_y
```

wire_length_x Simple Attribute

The `wire_length_x` attribute specifies the estimated average horizontal wire length in the direction for a net.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
    {
      ...
      wire_length_x : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the average horizontal length.

Example

```
wire_length_x : 305.4 ;
```

wire_length_y Simple Attribute

The `wire_length_y` attribute specifies the estimated average vertical wire lengths in the direction for a net.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
    {
      ...
      wire_length_y : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the average vertical length.

Example

```
wire_length_y : 260.35 ;
```

adjacent_wire_ratio Complex Attribute

This attribute specifies the percentage of wiring on a layer that can run adjacent to wiring on the same layer and still maintain the minimum spacing.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
    {
      ...
      adjacent_wire_ratio(value_float, value_float,
      ...);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Floating-point numbers that represent the percentage value. For example, two parallel adjacent wires with the same length would have an `adjacent_wire_ratio` value of 50.0 percent. For a library with *n* routing layers, the `adjacent_wire_ratio` attribute has *n* floating values representing the ratio on each routing layer.

Example

In the case of a library with four routing layers:

```
adjacent_wire_ratio(35.6, 2.41, 19.8, 25.3) ;
```

overlap_wire_ratio Complex Attribute

This attribute specifies the percentage of the wiring on the first layer that overlaps the second layer.

The following syntax example shows the order for the 20 entries required for a library with five routing layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
```

```

{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
{
    overlap_wire_ratio(
        V_1_2_float, V_1_3_float, V_1_4_float, V_1_5_float,
        V_2_1_float, V_2_3_float, V_2_4_float, V_2_5_float,
        V_3_1_float, V_3_2_float, V_3_4_float, V_3_5_float,
        V_4_1_float, V_4_2_float, V_4_3_float, V_4_5_float,
        V_5_1_float, V_5_2_float, V_5_3_float, V_5_4_float) ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}
}
V_a_b

```

The overlap ratio that represents how much of the reference layer (a) is overshadowed by another layer (b). The value of each *V_a_b* is a floating-point number from 0 to 100.0. The sum of all *V_a_n* ratios must be less than or equal to 100.0. The order of *V_a_b* is significant; it must be iteratively listed from the routing layer closest to the substrate.

Example

In the case of a library with five routing layers:

```

overlap_wire_ratio(
    5, 15.5, 7.5, 10,
    \
    6.5, 16, 8.5, 10.5, \
    15, 5.5, 5, 15.5, \
    7.5, 10, 6.5, 16, \
    8.5, 10.5, 15, 5.5) ;

```

wire_ratio_x Complex Attribute

The *wire_ratio_x* attribute specifies the percentage of total wiring in the horizontal direction that you estimate to be on each layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum) {
routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
{
    ...
wire_ratio_x(value_1_float, value_2_float, ... value_3_float
,
...);
}
}
}

```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value_1, value_2, value_3, ...,

An array of floating-point numbers following the order of the routing layers, starting from the one closest to the substrate. Each example is a floating-point number value from 0 to 100.0. For example, if there are four routing layers, then there are four floating-point numbers.

Note:

The sum of the floating-point numbers must be 100.0.

Example

```
wire_ratio_x(25.0, 25.0, 25.0, 25.0) ;
```

wire_ratio_y Complex Attribute

The `wire_ratio_y` attribute specifies the percentage of total wiring in the vertical direction that you estimate to be on each layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
    {
      ...
      wire_ratio_y(value_1_float, value_2_float, ..., value_3_float
,
      ...);
    }
  }
}

```

value_1, value_2, value_3, ...,

An array of floating-point numbers following the order of the routing layers, starting from the one closest to the substrate. Each example is a floating-point number value from 0 to 100.0. For example, if there are four routing layers, then there are four floating-point numbers.

Note:

The sum of the floating-point numbers must be 100.0.

Example

```
wire_ratio_y(25.0, 25.0, 25.0, 25.0) ;
```

3.1.9 site Group

Defines the placement grid for macros.

Note:

Define a `site` group or a `tile` group, but not both.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    site(site_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

site_name

The name of the site.

Example

```
site(core) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
on_tile  
site_class  
symmetry
```

Complex Attribute

```
size
```

on_tile Simple Attribute

The `on_tile` attribute specifies an associated tile name.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    site(site_name_id)
    {
      on_tile : tile_name_id )
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

tile_name

The name of the tile.

Example

```
on_tile : ;
```

site_class Simple Attribute

The `site_class` attribute specifies what type of devices can be placed on the site.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    site(site_name_id)
    {
      site_class : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are `pad` and `core` (default).

Example

```
site_class : pad ;
```

symmetry Simple Attribute

The `symmetry` attribute specifies the site symmetry. A site is considered asymmetrical, unless explicitly specified otherwise.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    site(site_name_id)
    {
      symmetry : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are `r`, `x`, `y`, `xy`, and `rxxy`.

where

`x`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis

`y`

Specifies symmetry about the y-axis

`r`

Specifies symmetry in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation

`xy`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis

`rxxy`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis and in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation increments

Example

```
symmetry : r ;
```

size Complex Attribute

The `size` attribute specifies the site dimension in normal orientation.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    site(site_name_id)
    {
      size(x_size_float, y_size_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

x_size, *y_size*

Floating-point numbers that specify the bounding rectangle size.
The bounding rectangle size must be a multiple of the placement grid.

Example

```
size(0.9, 7.2) ;
```

3.1.10 tile Group

Use this group to define the placement grid for macros.

Note:

Define a `site` group or a `tile` group, but not both.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    tile (tile_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

tile_name

The name of the tile.

Simple Attribute

tile_class

Complex Attribute

size

tile_class Simple Attribute

The `tile_class` attribute specifies the tile class.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    tile(site_name_id)
    {
      tile_class : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are `pad` and `core` (default).

Example

```
tile_class : pad ;
```

size Complex Attribute

The `size` attribute specifies the site dimension in normal orientation.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    tile (site_name_id)
    {
      size(x_size_float, y_size_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

x_size, y_size

Floating-point numbers that specify the bounding rectangle size.
The bounding rectangle size must be a multiple of the placement grid.

Example

```
size(0.9, 7.2) ;
```

3.1.11 via Group

Use this group to specify a via. You can use the `via` group to specify vias with any number of layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    via(via_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

via_name

The name of the via.

Example

```
via(via12) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
capacitance  
inductance  
is_default  
is_fat_via  
resistance  
res_temperature_coefficient  
top_of_stack_only  
via_id
```

Groups

```
foreign  
via_layer
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

The `capacitance` attribute specifies the capacitance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    via(via_name_id)  
    {  
      capacitance : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.2 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

The `inductance` attribute specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    via(via_name_id)  
    {  
      inductance : value_float ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance : 0.5 ;
```

is_default Simple Attribute

The `is_default` attribute specifies the via as the default for the given layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    via(via_name_id)  
    {  
      is_default : value_Boolean ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
is_default : TRUE ;
```

is_fat_via Simple Attribute

The `is_fat_via` attribute specifies that fat wire contacts are required when the wire width is equal to or greater than the threshold specified. Specifies that this via is used by wide wires

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum) {  
    via(via_name_id)  
    {  
      is_fat_via : value_Boolean ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```



```

    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
is_fat_via : TRUE ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

The `resistance` attribute specifies the aggregate resistance per contact rectangle.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      resistance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the resistance value.

Example

```
resistance : 0.0375 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the coefficient of the first-order correction to the resistance per square when the operating temperature does not equal the nominal temperature.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)

```

```

{
    res_temperature_coefficient : valuefloat ;
    ...
}
}
}

value

```

A floating-point number that represents the coefficient.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.03 ;
```

top_of_stack_only Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies to use the via only on top of a via stack.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
    resource(architectureenum)
    {
        via(via_nameid)
        {
            top_of_stack_only : valueBoolean ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

value

```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
top_of_stack_only : FALSE ;
```

via_id Simple Attribute

Use the `via_id` attribute to specify a number that identifies a device.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
    resource(architectureenum)
    {

```

```

    via(via_name_id)
  {
    via_id : value_int ;
    ...
  }
}
}
value

```

Valid values are any integer between 1 and 255.

Example

```
via_id : 255 ;
```

foreign Group

Use this group to specify which GDSII structure (model) to use when placing an instance of this via.

Note:

Only one foreign reference is allowed for each via.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
foreign_object_name

```

The name of the corresponding GDSII via (model).

Example

```

foreign(via34) {
  ...
}

```

Simple Attribute

orientation

Complex Attribute

origin

orientation Simple Attribute

The `orientation` attribute specifies how you place the foreign GDSII object.

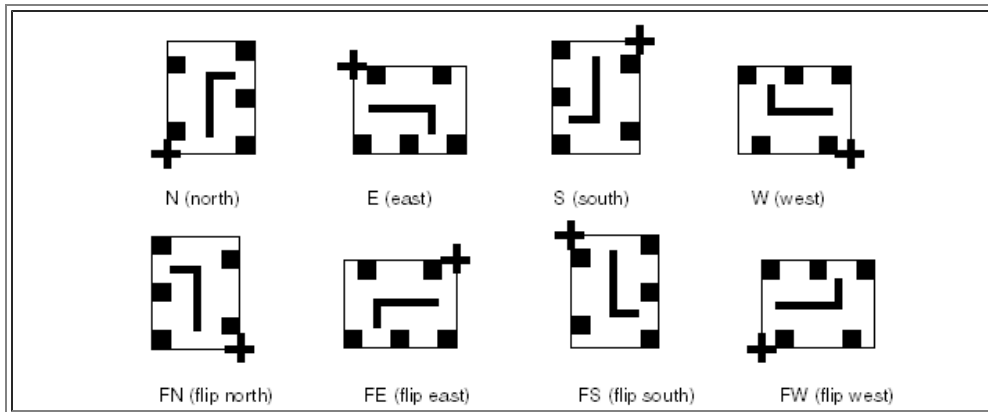
Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
      {
        orientation : value_enum ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 3-3](#).

Figure 3-3 Orientation Examples



Example

```
orientation : FN ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

The `origin` attribute specifies the via origin with respect to the GDSII structure (model). In the physical library, the origin of a via is its center; in GDSII, the origin is 0,0.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
      {
        ...
        origin(num_x_float,
num_y_float) ;
      }
    }
  }
}

num_x, num_y
```

Numbers that specify the x- and y-coordinates.

Example

```
origin(-1, -1) ;
```

via_layer Group

Use this group to specify layer geometries on one layer of the via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
```

```

{
  ...
}
}
}
}

```

layer_name

Specifies the layer on which the geometries are located.

Example

```

via_layer(m1) {
  ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

max_wire_width
min_wire_width

```

Complex Attributes

```

contact_spacing
contact_array_spacing
enclosure
max_cuts
min_cuts
rectangle
rectangle_iterate

```

max_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `min_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
      {

```

```

        max_wire_width : valuefloat ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the wire width.

Example

```
max_wire_width : 0.0 ;
```

min_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `max_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  resource(architectureenum)
  {
    via(via_nameid)
    {
      via_layer(layer_nameid)
      {
        min_wire_width : valuefloat ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the wire width.

Example

```
min_wire_width : 0.0 ;
```

contact_array_spacing Complex Attribute

This attribute specifies the edge-to-edge spacing on a contact layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
      {
        contact_array_spacing(value_x_float, value_y_float);
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value_x, value_y
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the horizontal and vertical spacing between two abutting contact arrays.

Example

```
contact_array_spacing (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

contact_spacing Complex Attribute

The `contact_spacing` attribute specifies the center-to-center spacing for generating an array of contact cuts in the via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
      {
        contact_spacing(value_x_float, value_y_float);
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

x, y
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the spacing value in terms of

the x distance and y distance between the centers of two contact cuts.

Example

```
contact_spacing (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

enclosure Complex Attribute

The `enclosure` attribute specifies an enclosure on a metal layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
      {
        enclosure(value_x_float, value_y_float) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value_x, value_y
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the enclosure.

Example

```
enclosure (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

max_cuts Complex Attribute

The `max_cuts` attribute specifies the maximum number of cuts on a contact layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
```

```

via_layer(layer_name_id)
{
    max_cuts(value_x_float, value_y_float) ;
    ...
}
}
}
}

value_x, value_y

```

Floating-point numbers that represent the maximum number of cuts in the horizontal and vertical directions of a contact array.

Example

```
max_cuts (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

min_cuts Complex Attribute

The `min_cuts` attribute specifies the minimum number of neighboring cuts allowed within a specified space (range).

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        via(via_name_id)
        {
            via_layer(layer_name_id)
            {
                min_cuts(value_x_float, value_y_float) ;
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

value_x, value_y

```

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum number of cuts in the horizontal and vertical directions of a contact array.

Example

```
min_cuts (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

rectangle Complex Attribute

The `rectangle` attribute specifies a rectangular shape for the via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id)
      {
        rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

x1, *y1*, *x2*, *y2*

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3) ;
```

rectangle_iterate Complex Attribute

The `rectangle_iterate` attribute specifies an array of rectangles in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
    {
      via_layer(layer_name_id) {
        rectangle_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int,
                         space_x_float, space_y_float,
                         x1_float,
                         y1_float, x2_float,
                         y2_float)
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

num_x, num_y

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, space_y

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around the rectangles.

x1, y1; x2, y2

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangles.

Example

```

rectangle_iterate(2, 2, 2.000, 4.000, 175.500,
1417.360,
                176.500, 1419.140) ;

```

3.1.12 *via_array_rule* Group

Defines the specific via and minimum cut number for the different fat metal wire widths on contact layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via_array_rule () {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

Groups

```

min_cuts_table
reference_cut_table

```

min_cuts_table Group

Use this group to specify the values for the lookup table.

Note:

Only one foreign reference is allowed for each via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via_array_rule () {
      min_cuts_table (template_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The `via_array_lut_template` name.

Example

```
min_cuts_table (via34) {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attribute

```
index_1
index_2
values
```

index Complex Attribute

The `index` attribute specifies the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    via_array_rule() {
      min_cuts_table (template_name_id)
    {

```

```

        ...
        index(num_x_float,
num_y_float);
    }
}
}
}
num_x, num_y

```

Numbers that specify the x- and y-coordinates.

Example

```
index (-1, -1) ;
```

reference_cut_table Group

Use this group to specify values for the lookup table.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
resource(architecture_enum)
{
    via_array_rule ()
    {
        reference_cut_table (template_name_id)
        {
            ...
        }
    }
}
}
}
template_name

```

The via_array_lut_template name.

Example

```
reference_cut_table (via34) {
    ...
}
```

Complex Attribute

```
index_1
```

```
index_2  
values
```

index Complex Attribute

The `index` attribute specifies the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    via_array_rule() {  
      reference_cut_table (template_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
      index(num_x_float,  
num_y_float) ;  
    }  
  }  
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Numbers that specify the x- and y-coordinates.

Example

```
index (-1, -1) ;
```

4. Specifying Attributes in the topological_design_rules Group

You use the `topological_design_rules` group to specify the design rules for the technology (such as minimum spacing and width).

The information in this chapter includes a description and syntax example for the attributes that you can define within the `topological_design_rules` group.

4.1 Syntax for Attributes in the topological_design_rules Group

This chapter describes the attributes that you define in the `topological_design_rules` group. The groups that you can define in the `topological_design_rules` group are described in Chapter 5.

4.1.1 topological_design_rules Group

Defines all the design rules that apply to the physical library.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    ...
  }
}
```

Note:

A name is not required for the `topological_design_rules` group.

Example

```
topological_design_rules() {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
antenna_inout_threshold
antenna_input_threshold
```



```
antenna_output_threshold
min_enclosed_area_table_surrounding_metal
```

Complex Attributes

```
contact_min_spacing
corner_min_spacing
diff_net_min_spacing
end_of_line_enclosure
min_enclosure
min_generated_via_size
min_overhang
same_net_min_spacing
```

Group

```
extension_wire_spacing_rule
```

antenna_inout_threshold Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the default (maximum) threshold (cumulative) value for the antenna effect on inout pins. Use this attribute for parameter-based calculations only; that is, it is not required when your library contains an `antenna_rule` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_inout_threshold : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the global pin value.

Example

```
antenna_inout_threshold : 0.0 ;
```

antenna_input_threshold Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the default (maximum) threshold (cumulative) value for the antenna effect on input pins. Use this attribute for parameter-based calculations only; that is, it is not required when your library contains an `antenna_rule` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_input_threshold : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the global pin value.

Example

```
antenna_input_threshold : 0.0 ;
```

antenna_output_threshold Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the default (maximum) threshold (cumulative) value for the antenna effect on output pins. Use this attribute for parameter-based calculations only; that is, it is not required when your library contains an `antenna_rule` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_output_threshold : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the global pin value.

Example

```
antenna_output_threshold : 0.0 ;
```

min_enclosed_area_table_surrounding_metal Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the minimum enclosed area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
```

```

topological_design_rules() {
  min_enclosed_area_table_surrounding_metal(value_enum) ;
  ...
}
}

```

value

Valid values are `all_fat_wires` and `at_least_one_fat_wire`.

Example

```

min_enclosed_area_table_surrounding_metal :
all_fat_wires;

```

contact_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `contact_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing required between two different contact layers on different nets.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    contact_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, value_float) ;
    ...
  }
}

```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the two contact layers. The layers can be equivalent or different.

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```

contact_min_spacing(cut01, cut12, 1)

```

corner_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `corner_min_spacing` attribute specifies the spacing between two different contact layers.

Note:

The `corner_min_spacing` simple attribute in the `cont_layer` group

specifies the minimum distance between two vias. For more information, see [“corner_min_spacing Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    corner_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, value_float) ;
    ...
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the two contact layers.

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```
corner_min_spacing ( ) ;
```

end_of_line_enclosure Complex Attribute

The `end_of_line_enclosure` attribute defines an enclosure size to specify the end-of-line rule for routing wire segments.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    end_of_line_enclosure(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, value_float)
  ;
    ...
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the metal layer and a contact layer, respectively.

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```
end_of_line_enclosure ( ) ;
```

min_enclosure Complex Attribute

The `min_enclosure` attribute defines the minimum distance at which a layer must enclose another layer when the two layers overlap.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    min_enclosure(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, value_float) ;
    ...
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the metal layer and a contact layer, respectively.

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```
min_enclosure ( ) ;
```

diff_net_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `diff_net_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing between a metal layer and a contact layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    diff_net_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, value_float) ;
    ...
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the metal layer and a contact layer, respectively.

value

A floating-point number that represents the spacing value.

Example

```
diff_net_min_spacing ( ) ;
```

min_generated_via_size Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the minimum size for the generated via. All edges of a via must lie on the grid defined by the x- and y-coordinates.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name:id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    min_generated_via_size(num_x:float, num_y:float) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum size for the x and y dimensions.

Example

```
min_generated_via_size(0.01, 0.01) ;
```

min_overhang Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the minimum overhang for the generated via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name:id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    min_overhang(layer1:string, layer2:string, value:float) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

layer1, *layer2*

The names of the two overhanging layers.

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum overhang value.

Example

```
min_overhang(0.01, 0.01) ;
```

same_net_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `same_net_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing required between wires on a layer or on two layers in the same net.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    same_net_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, \  
                        space_float, is_stack_Boolean)  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify the two routing layers, which can be different layers or the same layer.

space

A floating-point number representing the spacing value.

is_stack

Valid values are `TRUE` and `FALSE`. Set the value to `TRUE` to allow stacked vias at the routing layer. When set to `TRUE`, the `same_net_min_spacing` value can be 0 (complete overlap) or the value held by the `min_spacing` attribute; otherwise the value reflects the rule.

Example

```
same_net_min_spacing(m2, m2, 0.4, FALSE)
```

5. Specifying Groups in the topological_design_rules Group

You use the `topological_design_rules` group to specify the design rules for the technology (such as minimum spacing and width).

This chapter describes the following groups:

- [antenna_rule Group](#)
- [density_rule Group](#)
- [extension_wire_spacing_rule Group](#)
- [stack_via_max_current Group](#)
- [via_rule Group](#)
- [via_rule_generate Group](#)
- [wire_rule Group](#)
- [wire_slotting_rule Group](#)

5.1 Syntax for Groups in the topological_design_rules Group

The following sections describe the groups you can define in the `topological_design_rules` group:

5.1.1 antenna_rule Group

Use this group to specify the methods for calculating the antenna effect.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

antenna_rule_name

The name of the `antenna_rule` group.

Example

```
antenna_rule (antenna_metal3_only) {
  ...description...
```



```
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
adjusted_gate_area_calculation_method  
adjusted_metal_area_calculation_method  
antenna_accumulation_calculation_method  
antenna_ratio_calculation_method  
apply_to  
geometry_calculation_method  
pin_calculation_method  
routing_layer_calculation_method
```

Complex Attribute

```
layer_antenna_factor
```

Groups

```
adjusted_gate_area  
adjusted_metal_area  
antenna_ratio  
metal_area_scaling_factor
```

adjusted_gate_area_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a factor to apply to the gate area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id)  
  {  
    adjusted_gate_area_calculation_method : valueenum ;  
    ...  
  }  
}  
}
```

value

Valid values are `max_diffusion_area` and `total_diffusion_area`.

Example

```
adjusted_gate_area_calculation_method
:max_diffusion_area;
```

adjusted_metal_area_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a factor to apply to the metal area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      adjusted_metal_area_calculation_method : value_enum ;
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are `max_diffusion_area` and `total_diffusion_area`.

Example

```
adjusted_metal_area_calculation_method :
max_diffusion_area ;
```

antenna_accumulation_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a method for calculating the antenna.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      antenna_accumulation_calculation_method: value_enum;
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are `single_layer`, `accumulative_ratio`, and `accumulative_area`.

Example

```
antenna_accumulation_calculation_method : ;
```

antenna_ratio_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a method for calculating the antenna.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      antenna_ratio_calculation_method : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are `infinite_antenna_ratio`,
`max_antenna_ratio`, and `total_antenna_ratio`.

Example

```
antenna_ratio_calculation_method : total_antenna_ratio  
;
```

apply_to Simple Attribute

The `apply_to` attribute specifies the type of pin geometry that the rule applies to.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      apply_to : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

The valid values are `gate_area`, `gate_perimeter`, and
`diffusion_area`.

Example

apply_to : gate_area ;

geometry_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute with the `pin_calculation_method` attribute to specify which geometries are applied to which pins. See [Table 5-1](#) for a matrix of the options.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
      geometry_calculation_method : value_enum ;
      pin_calculation_method : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

The valid values are `all_geometries` and `connected_only`.

Table 5-1 Calculating Geometries on Pins

geometry_calculation_method values	pin_calculation_method values	
	all_pins	each_pin
all_geometries	All the geometries are applied to all pins. The connectivity analysis is not performed. Pins share antennas.	All the geometries of the net are applied to every pin on the net separately. The connectivity analysis is not performed. Antennas are not shared by connected pins. <i>This is the most pessimistic calculation.</i>
connected_only	Considers connected geometries as well as sharing. <i>This is the most accurate calculation.</i>	Only the geometries connected to the pin are considered. Sharing of antennas is not allowed.

Example

```
geometry_calculation_method : connected_only ;
```

```
pin_calculation_method : all_pins ;
```

metal_area_scaling_factor_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify which diffusion area to use for scaling the metal area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      ...  
      metal_area_scaling_factor_calculation_method : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

The valid values are `max_diffusion_area` and `total_diffusion_area`.

Example

```
metal_area_scaling_factor_calculation_method : total_diffusion_area ;
```

pin_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute with the `geometry_calculation_method` attribute to specify which geometries are applied to which pins. See [Table 5-1](#) for a matrix of the options.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      ...  
      geometry_calculation_method : value_enum ;  
      pin_calculation_method : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

The valid values are `all_pins` and `each_pin`.

Example

```
geometry_calculation_method : connected_only ;
pin_calculation_method : all_pins ;
```

routing_layer_calculation_method Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify which property of the routing segments to use to calculate antenna contributions.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
      routing_layer_calculation_method : valueenum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

The valid values are `side_wall_area`, `top_area`, `side_wall_and_top_area`, `segment_length`, and `segment_perimeter`.

Example

```
routing_layer_calculation_method : top_area ;
```

layer_antenna_factor Complex Attribute

The `layer_antenna_factor` attribute specifies a factor in each routing or contact layer that is multiplied to either the area or the length of the routing segments to determine their contribution.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    (antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
      layer_antenna_factor(layer_namestring, antenna_factorfloat) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

layer_name

Specifies the layer that contains the factor.

antenna_factor

A floating-point number that represents the factor.

Example

```
layer_antenna_factor (m1_m2, 1) ;
```

adjusted_gate_area Group

Use this group to specify gate area values.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      ...  
      adjusted_gate_area(antenna_lut_template_name_id) {  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

template_name

The name of the template.

Example

```
adjusted_gate_area () {  
  ...description...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
values
```

adjusted_metal_area Group

Use this group to specify metal area values.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

    adjusted_metal_area(antenna_lut_template_name_id) {
        ...
    }
}

```

template_name

The name of the template.

Example

```

adjusted_metal_area () {
    ...description...
}

```

Complex Attributes

index_1
values

antenna_ratio Group

Use this group to specify the piecewise linear table for antenna calculations.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    topological_design_rules() {
        antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
            ...
            antenna_ratio (template_name_id) {
                ...description...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Example

```

antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

index_1
values

index_1 Complex Attribute

Use this optional attribute to specify, in ascending order, each diffusion area limit.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
      antenna_ratio (template_name_id) {
        index_1(value_float, value_float, value_float,
...);
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent diffusion area limits in ascending order.

Example

```
antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
  index_1 ("0, 2.4, 4.8") ;
}
```

values Complex Attribute

The `values` attribute specifies the table ratio.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
      ...
      antenna_ratio (template_name_id) {
        values (value_float, value_float, value_float,
...);
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the ratio to apply.

Example

```
antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
    values (10, 100, 1000) ;
}
```

[Example 5-1](#) shows the attributes and group in an antenna rule group.

Example 5-1 An antenna_rule Group

```
antenna_rule (antenna_metal3_only) {
    apply_to : gate_area
    geometry_calculation_method : connected_only
    pin_calculation_method : all_pins ;
    routing_layer_calculation_method : side_wall_area ;
    layer_antenna_factor (m1_m2, 1) ;
    antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
        values (10, 100, 1000) ;
    }
    metal_area_scaling_factor () {
        ...
    }
}
```

metal_area_scaling_factor Group

Use this group to specify the piecewise linear table for antenna calculations.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
    topological_design_rules() {
        antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id) {
            ...
            metal_area_scaling_factor (template_name_id) {
                ...description...
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Example

```
antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
    ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

index_1
values

index_1 Complex Attribute

Use this optional attribute to specify, in ascending order, each diffusion area limit.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id)
  {
    ...
    antenna_ratio (template_name_id)
  {
    index_1(value_float, value_float, value_float,
...);
    ...
  }
}
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent diffusion area limits in ascending order.

Example

```
antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
  index_1 ("0, 2.4, 4.8") ;
}
```

values Complex Attribute

The `values` attribute specifies the table ratio.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    antenna_rule(antenna_rule_name_id)
  {
```

```

...
    antenna_ratio ( template_name_id )
    {
        values ( value_float, value_float, value_float,
...);
    }
}
}
}

```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the ratio to apply.

Example

```

antenna_ratio (antenna_template_1) {
    values (10, 100, 1000) ;
}

```

5.1.2 default_via_generate Group

Use the `default_via_generate` group to specify default horizontal and vertical layer information.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id) {
    topological_design_rules() {
        default_via_generate ( name ) {
            via_routing_layer( layer_name ) {
                overhang ( float, float ); /*horizontal and vertical*/
                end_of_line_overhang : float ;
            }
        }
        via_contact_layer(layer_name) {
            rectangle ( float, float, float, float ) ;
            resistance : float ;
        }
    }
}
...

```

5.1.3 density_rule Group

Use this group to specify the metal density rule for the layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        density_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
    }
}

```

```

{
  ...
}
}
}

```

routing_layer_name

Example

```

density_rule () {
  ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

check_step
check_window_size
density_range

```

check_step Complex Attribute

The `check_step` attribute specifies the stepping distance in distance units.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    density_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
    {
      check_step (value_1_float, value_2_float)
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value_1, *value_2*

Floating-point numbers representing the stepping distance.

Example

```

check_step (0.0, 0.0);

```

check_window_size Complex Attribute

```

check window size

```

The `check_window_size` attribute specifies the check window dimensions.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    density_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    check_window_size (x_valuefloat, y_valuefloat )
    ...
  }
}
}
```

x_value, *y_value*

Floating-point numbers representing the window size.

Example

```
check_window_size (0.5, 0.5);
```

density_range Complex Attribute

The `density_range` attribute specifies density percentages.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    density_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    density_range (min_valuefloat, max_valuefloat )
    ...
  }
}
}
```

min_value, *max_value*

Floating-point numbers representing the minimum and maximum density percentages.

Example

```
density_range (0.0, 0.0);
```

5.1.4 *extension_wire_spacing_rule* Group

The `extension_wire_spacing_rule` group specifies the extension range for connected wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Example

```
extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
  ...
}
```

Groups

```
extension_wire_qualifier
min_total_projection_length_qualifier
spacing_check_qualifier
```

extension_wire_qualifier Group

The `extension_wire_qualifier` group defines an extension wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
connected_to_fat_wire
corner_wire
```

not_connected_to_fat_wire

connected_to_fat_wire Simple Attribute

The `connected_to_fat_wire` attribute specifies whether a wire connected to a fat wire within the fat wire's extension range is an extension wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        connected_to_fat_wire : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
connected_to_fat_wire : ;
```

corner_wire Simple Attribute

The `corner_wire` attribute specifies whether a wire located in the corner of a fat wire's extension range is an extension wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        corner_wire : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```


Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
corner_wire : ;
```

not_connected_to_fat_wire Simple Attribute

The `not_connected_to_fat_wire` attribute specifies whether a wire that is not within a fat wire's extension range is an extension wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        not_connected_to_fat_wire : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
not_connected_to_fat_wire : ;
```

min_total_projection_length_qualifier Group

The `min_total_projection_length_qualifier` group defines the projection length.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      min_total_projection_length_qualifier () {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

}
```

Simple Attributes

```
non_overlapping_projection  
overlapping_projection  
parallel_length
```

non_overlapping_projection Simple Attribute

The `non_overlapping_projection` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the non-overlapping projection length between non-overlapping extension wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {  
      extension_wire_qualifier () {  
        non_overlapping_projection : value Boolean ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
non_overlapping_projection : ;
```

overlapping_projection Simple Attribute

The `overlapping_projection` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the overlapping projection length between non-overlapping extension wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {  
      extension_wire_qualifier () {  
        overlapping_projection : value Boolean ;  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```

overlapping_projection : ;

```

parallel_length Simple Attribute

The `parallel_length` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the parallel length between extension wires.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        parallel_length : valueBoolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```

parallel_length : ;

```

spacing_check_qualifier Group

The `spacing_check_qualifier` group specifies...

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {

```

```

    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
        spacing_check_qualifier () {
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

corner_to_corner
non_overlapping_projection_wire
overlapping_projection_wires
wires_to_check

```

corner_to_corner Simple Attribute

The `corner_to_corner` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the corner-to-corner spacing between two extension wires.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
            extension_wire_qualifier () {
                corner_to_corner : value Boolean ;
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

value

```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```

corner_to_corner : TRUE ;

```

non_overlapping_projection_wire Simple Attribute

The `non_overlapping_projection_wire` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the spacing between two non-overlapping extension wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        non_overlapping_projection_wire : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
non_overlapping_projection_wire : TRUE ;
```

overlapping_projection_wires Simple Attribute

The `overlapping_projection_wires` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the spacing between two overlapping extension wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        overlapping_projection_wires : value Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```
overlapping_projection_wires : TRUE ;
```

wires_to_check Simple Attribute

The `wires_to_check` attribute specifies whether the extension wire spacing rule includes the spacing between any two wires or only between extension wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    extension_wire_spacing_rule() {
      extension_wire_qualifier () {
        wires_to_check : valueenum ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are `all_wires` and `extension_wires`.

Example

```
wires_to_check : all_wires ;
```

5.1.5 stack_via_max_current Group

Use the `stack_via_max_current` group to define the values for current passing through a via stack.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name;id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    stack_via_max_current (name;id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}

name
```

Specifies a stack name.

Example

```

stack_via_max_current( ) {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

bottom_routing_layer
top_routing_layer

```

Groups

```

max_current_ac_absavg
max_current_ac_avg
max_current_ac_peak
max_current_ac_rms
max_current_dc_avg

```

bottom_routing_layer Simple Attribute

The attribute specifies the `bottom_routing_layer`.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    ...
    topological_design_rules() {
        stack_via_max_current (name_id)
        {
            ...
            bottom_routing_layer : layer_name_id ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

layer_name

A string value representing the routing layer name.

Example

```

bottom_routing_layer : ;

```

top_routing_layer Simple Attribute

The `top_routing_layer` attribute specifies the `top_routing_layer`.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  ...
  topological_design_rules() {
    stack_via_max_current (name_id)
  {
    ...
    top_routing_layer : layer_name_id ;
    ...
  }
}
}
```

layer_name

A string value representing the routing layer name.

Example

```
top_routing_layer : ;
```

max_current_ac_absavg Group

Use this group to specify the absolute average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    stack_via_max_current (name_id)
  {
    ...
    max_current_ac_absavg(template_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example


```

max_current_ac_absavg() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        stack_via_max_current (name_id)
    {
        ...
        max_current_ac_avg(template_name_id)
    {
        ...
    }
    }
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_avg() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_ac_peak Group

Use this group to specify a peak value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    stack_via_max_current (name_id)
  {
    ...
    max_current_ac_peak(template_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
}
```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_ac_peak() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
values
```

max_current_ac_rms Group

Use this group to specify a root mean square value for the AC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    stack_via_max_current (name_id)
```

```

{
    ...
    max_current_ac_rms(template_name_id)
{
    ...
}
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```

max_current_ac_rms() {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

max_current_dc_avg Group

Use this group to specify an average value for the DC current that can pass through a cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        stack_via_max_current (name_id)
    {
        ...
        max_current_dc_avg(template_name_id)
    {
        ...
    }
    }
}
}
}

```

template_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
max_current_dc_avg() {  
    ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
values
```

5.1.6 *via_rule* Group

Use this group to define vias used at the intersection of special wires. You can have multiple *via_rule* groups for a given layer pair.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        via_rule(via_rule_name_id)  
    {  
        ...  
    }  
    }  
}
```

via_rule_name

Specifies a via rule name.

Example

```
via_rule(crossm1m2) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
via_list
```

Group

routing_layer_rule

via_list Simple Attribute

The `via_list` attribute specifies a list of vias. The router selects the first via that satisfies the routing layer rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  }
  {
    via_list : "via_name1_id ;
    ...
  }
}
```

via_name1, ..., via_nameN

Specify the via values used in the selection process.

Example

```
via_list : "via12, via23" ;
```

routing_layer_rule Group

Use this group to specify the criteria for selecting a via from a list you specify with the `vias` attribute.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  }
  {
    routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  }
  ...
}
```

layer_name

Specifies the name of a routing layer that the via connects to.

Example

```
routing_layer_rule(metal1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
contact_overhang  
max_wire_width  
min_wire_width  
metal_overhang  
routing_direction
```

contact_overhang Simple Attribute

The `contact_overhang` attribute specifies the amount of metal (wire) between a contact and a via edge in the specified routing direction on all routing layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        via_rule(via_rule_name_id)  
    }  
    routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)  
    {  
        contact_overhang : value_float ;  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the value of the overhang.

Example

```
contact_overhang : 9.000e-02 ;
```

max_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `min_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths subject to these via rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  }
  routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  {
    max_wire_width : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the value for the maximum wire width.

Example

```
max_wire_width : 1.2 ;
```

min_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `max_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths subject to these via rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  }
  routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  {
    min_wire_width : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the value for the minimum wire width.

Example

```
min_wire_width : 0.4 ;
```

metal_overhang Simple Attribute

The `metal_overhang` attribute specifies the amount of metal (wire) at the edges of wire intersection on all routing layers of the `via_rule` in the specified routing direction.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  {
    routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  {
    metal_overhang : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
}
}
}
value
```

A floating-point number that represents the value of the overhang.

Example

```
metal_overhang : 0.0 ;
```

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the preferred routing direction for metal that extends to make the overhang and metal overhang on all routing layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
```



```

{
    routing_layer_rule(layer_name_id)
{
    routing_direction : value_enum ;
    ...
}
}
}
}
}
value

```

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```
routing_direction : horizontal ;
```

5.1.7 via_rule_generate Group

Use this group to specify the formula for generating vias when they are needed in the case of special wiring. You can have multiple `via_rule_generate` groups for a given layer pair.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
        {
            ...
        }
    }
}
}
via_rule_generate_name

```

The name for the `via_rule_generate` group.

Example

```

via_rule_generate(vial2gen) {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

capacitance
inductance

```

```
resistance
res_temperature_coefficient
```

Groups

```
contact_formula
routing_layer_formula
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

The capacitance attribute specifies the capacitance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
  }
  {
    capacitance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.02 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

The inductance attribute specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
  }
  {
    inductance : value_float;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance : 0.03 ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

The `resistance` attribute specifies the aggregate resistance per contact rectangle.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    via_rule_generate(via_name_id)  
  }  
  {  
    resistance : value_float ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the resistance value.

Example

```
resistance : 0.0375 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

The `res_temperature_coefficient` attribute specifies the first-order correction to the resistance per square when the operating temperature does not equal the nominal temperature.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    via_rule_generate(via_name_id)  
  }  
  {  
    res_temperature_coefficient : value_float ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

```
}  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the coefficient.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.0375 ;
```

contact_formula Group

Use this group to specify the contact-layer geometry-generation formula for the generated via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)  
  {  
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)  
  {  
    ...  
  }  
  }  
}
```

contact_layer_name

The name of the associated contact layer.

Example

```
contact_formula(cut23) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
max_cut_rows_current_direction  
min_number_of_cuts  
resistance  
routing_direction
```

Complex Attributes

```
contact_array_spacing
contact_spacing
max_cuts
rectangle
```

max_cut_rows_current_direction Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the maximum number of rows of cuts, in the current routing direction, in a non-turning via for global wire (power and ground).

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
  }
  {
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
    max_cut_rows_current_direction : value_int ;
    ...
  }
}
}
}

value
```

An integer representing the maximum number of rows of cuts in a via.

Example

```
max_cut_rows_current_direction : 3 ;
```

min_number_of_cuts Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify attribute specifies the minimum number of cuts.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
  }
  {
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
  }
}
```

```

        min_number_of_cuts : value_int ;
        ...
    }
}
}
}
}
value

```

An integer representing the minimum number of cuts.

Example

```
min_number_of_cuts : 2;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

The `resistance` attribute specifies the aggregate resistance per contact cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
        {
            contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
            resistance : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}
}
}
value

```

A floating-point number representing the aggregate resistance.

Example

```
resistance : 1.0 ;
```

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the preferred routing direction, which serves as the direction of extension for `contact_overlap` and `metal_overhang` on all of the generated via routing layers.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
      contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id          routing_direction : value_enum
;
    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```
routing_direction : vertical ;
```

contact_array_spacing Complex Attribute

The `contact_array` attribute specifies the spacing between two contact arrays.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
    {
      contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
      {
        contact_array_spacing(x_float y_float) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

x, y

Floating-point numbers that represent the spacing value.

Example

```
contact_array_spacing( 0.0 ) ;
```

contact_spacing Complex Attribute

The `contact_spacing` attribute specifies the center-to-center spacing for generating an array of contact cuts in the generated via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
  {
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
  {
    contact_spacing(x_float, y_float) ;
    ...
  }
}
}
}
}
x, y
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the spacing value in terms of the x distance and y distance between the centers of two contact cuts.

Example

```
contact_spacing(0.84, 0.84) ;
```

max_cuts Complex Attribute

The `max_cuts` attribute specifies the maximum number of cuts.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
  {
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
  {
    max_cuts(x_int, y_int) ;
    ...
  }
}
}
}
}
}
```


x, y

Integer numbers that represent the number of cuts.

Example

```
max_cuts ( ) ;
```

rectangle Complex Attribute

The `rectangle` attribute specifies the dimension of the contact cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
  {
    contact_formula(contact_layer_name_id)
  {
    rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y1_float) ;
    ...
  }
}
}
```

x1, y1, x2, y2

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3) ;
```

routing_formula Group

Use this group to specify properties for the routing layer. You must specify a `routing_formula` group for each routing layer associated with a via; typically, two routing layers are associated with a via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
```

```

        routing_formula(layer_name_id)
    {
        ...
    }
}

```

layer_name

The name of the associated routing layer.

Example

```

routing_formula(metal1) {
    ...
}
routing_formula(metal2) {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

contact_overhang
max_wire_width
min_wire_width
metal_overhang
routing_direction

```

Complex Attribute

contact_overhang Simple Attribute

The `contact_overhang` attribute specifies the minimum amount of metal (wire) extension between a contact and a via edge in the specified direction.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
            routing_formula(layer_name_id)
        {
            contact_overhang : value_float ;
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

```
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the amount of contact overhang.

Example

```
contact_overhang : 9.000e-01 ;
```

max_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `min_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths subject to these via generation rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {  
      routing_formula(layer_name_id)  
      {  
        max_wire_width : value_float ;  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the maximum wire width.

Example

```
max_wire_width : 2.4 ;
```

min_wire_width Simple Attribute

Use this attribute along with the `max_wire_width` attribute to define the range of wire widths subject to these via generation rules.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {
```

```

via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
    routing_formula(layer_name_id)
{
    min_wire_width : value_float ;
    ...
}
}
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the minimum wire width.

Example

```
min_wire_width : 1.4 ;
```

metal_overhang Simple Attribute

The `metal_overhang` attribute specifies the minimum amount of metal overhang at the edges of wire intersections in the specified direction.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id)
    {
        routing_formula(layer_name_id)
    {
        metal_overhang : value_float ;
        ...
    }
    }
}
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the amount of metal overhang.

Example

```
metal_overhang : 0.1 ;
```

routing_direction Simple Attribute

The `routing_direction` attribute specifies the preferred routing direction, which serves as the direction of extension for `contact_overlap` and `metal_overhang` on all of the generated via routing layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
      routing_formula(layer_name_id)
    {
      routing_direction : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are horizontal and vertical.

Example

```
routing_direction : vertical ;
```

enclosure Complex Attribute

The `enclosure` attribute specifies the dimensions of the routing layer enclosures.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_generate_name_id) {
      routing_formula(layer_name_id)
    {
      enclosure(value_1_float , value_2_float )
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value_1, *value_2*

Floating-point number representing the enclosure dimensions.

Example

```
enclosure (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

5.1.8 wire_rule Group

Use this group to specify the nondefault wire rules for regular wiring.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
}
```

wire_rule_name

The name of the wire rule group.

Example

```
wire_rule(rule1) {
  ...
}
```

Groups

```
layer_rule
via
```

layer_rule Group

Use this group to specify properties for each routing layer. The width and spacing specifications in this group override the default values defined in the `routing_layer` group in the `resource` group. If the extension is not specified or if the extension has a nonzero value less than half the routing width, then a default extension of half the routing width for the layer is used.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
```

```

        wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
    {
        layer_rule(layer_name_id)
    {
        ...
    }
    }
}

```

layer_name

The name of the layer defined in the wire rule.

Example

```

layer_rule(metal1) {
    ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

min_spacing
wire_extension
wire_width

```

Complex Attribute

```

same_net_min_spacing

```

min_spacing Simple Attribute

The `min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing for regular wires that are on the specified layer, subject to the wire rule, and belonging to different nets.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
    }
    layer_rule(layer_name_id)
    {
        min_spacing : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}

```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the spacing value.

Example

```
min_spacing : 0.4 ;
```

wire_extension Simple Attribute

The `wire_extension` attribute specifies a default distance value for extending wires at vias for regular wires on this layer subject to the wire rule. A value of 0 indicates no wire extension. If the value is less than half the `wire_width` value, the router uses half the value of the `wire_width` attribute as the wire extension value. If the `wire_width` attribute is not defined, the router uses the default value declared in the `routing_layer` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)  
  }  
  layer_rule(layer_name_id)  
{  
  }  
  wire_extension : value_float ;  
  ...  
}  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the wire extension value.

Example

```
wire_extension : 0.25 ;
```

wire_width Simple Attribute

The `wire_width` attribute specifies the wire width for regular wires that are on the specified layer and are subject to the wire rule. The `wire_width`

value must be equivalent to or more than the `default_wire_width` value defined in the `layer` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  {
    wire_width : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the width value.

Example

```
wire_width : 0.4 ;
```

same_net_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `same_net_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing required between wires on a layer or on two layers in the same net.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  layer_rule(layer_name_id)
  {
    ...
    same_net_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, space_float, is_stack_Boolean) ;
  }
}
```

layer1_name, *layer2_name*

Specify two routing layers. To specify spacing between wires on the same layer, use the same name for both *layer1_name* and *layer2_name*.

space

A floating-point number representing the minimum spacing.

is_stack

Valid values are `TRUE` and `FALSE`. Set the value to `TRUE` to allow stacked vias at the routing layer. When set to `TRUE`, the `same_net_min_spacing` value can be 0 (complete overlap) or the value held by the `min_spacing` attribute.

Example

```
same_net_min_spacing(m2, m2, 0.4, false);
```

via Group

Use this group to specify the via that the router uses for this wire rule.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
}
```

via_name

Specifies the via name.

Example

```
via(non_default_via12) {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

capacitance

```
inductance
res_temperature_coefficient
resistance
```

Complex Attribute

```
same_net_min_spacing
```

Groups

```
foreign
via_layer
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

The `capacitance` attribute specifies the capacitance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
  {
    capacitance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance per cut.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.2 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

The `inductance` attribute specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    inductance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance per cut.

Example

```

inductance : 0.03 ;

```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the first-order temperature coefficient for the resistance.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    res_temperature_coefficient : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the temperature coefficient.

Example

```

res_temperature_coefficient : 0.0375 ;

```

resistance Simple Attribute

The `resistance` attribute specifies the aggregate resistance per contact cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    resistance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the resistance.

Example

```
resistance : 1.000e+00 ;
```

same_net_min_spacing Complex Attribute

The `same_net_min_spacing` attribute specifies the minimum spacing required between wires on a layer or on two layers in the same net.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    ...
    same_net_min_spacing(layer1_name_id, layer2_name_id, space_float, is_stack_Boolean) ;
  }
}
```

layer1_name, layer2_name

Specify two routing layers. To specify spacing between wires on the same layer, use the same name for both *layer1_name* and *layer2_name*.

space

A floating-point number representing the minimum spacing.

is_stack

Valid values are `TRUE` and `FALSE`. Set the value to `TRUE` to allow stacked vias at the routing layer. When set to `TRUE`, the `same_net_min_spacing` value can be 0 (complete overlap) or the value held by the `min_spacing` attribute.

Example

```
same_net_min_spacing(m2, m2, 0.4, false);
```

foreign Group

The `foreign` attribute specifies which GDSII structure (model) to use when an instance of a via is placed.

Note:

Only one `foreign` group is allowed for each via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
  }
  ...
}
```

foreign_object_name

The name of a GDSII structure (model).

Example

```
foreign(fdesf2a6) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
orientation
```

Complex Attribute

```
origin
```

orientation Simple Attribute

The `orientation` attribute specifies the orientation of a foreign object.

Syntax

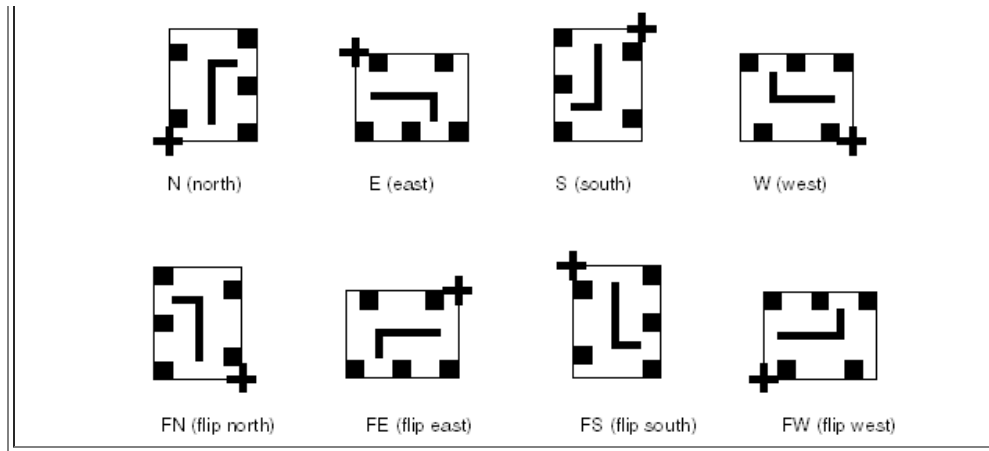
```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)  
  }  
  via(via_name_id)  
  {  
    foreign(foreign_object_name_id)  
    {  
      orientation : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 5-1](#).

Figure 5-1 Orientation Examples





Example

```
orientation : FN ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

The `origin` attribute specifies the equivalent coordinates for the origin of a placed foreign object.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    via(via_name_id)
  {
    foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
  {
    ...
    origin(num_x_float, num_y_float) ;
  }
  }
  }
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates where the foreign object is placed.

Example

```
origin(-1, -1) ;
```



```

                                id
{
    via(via_name_id)
{
    via_layer(via_layer_id)
{
    rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float) ;
    ...
    }
    }
}
}
x1, y1, x2, y2

```

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3) ;
```

5.1.9 wire_slotting_rule Group

Use this group to specify the wire slotting rules to satisfy the maximum metal density design rule.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    topological_design_rules() {
        wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
    {
        ...
    }
}
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

max_metal_density
min_length
min_width

```

Complex Attributes

```

slot_length_range
slot_length_side_clearance

```

```
slot_length_wise_spacing
slot_width_range
slot_width_side_clearance
slot_width_wise_spacing
```

max_metal_density Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the maximum metal density for a slotted layer, as a percentage of the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    max_metal_density : value_float ;
  }
}
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the percentage.

Example

```
max_metal_density : 0.70 ;
```

min_length Simple Attribute

The `min_length` attribute specifies the the minimum geometry length threshold that triggers slotting. Slotting is triggered when the thresholds specified by the `min_length` and `min_width` attributes are both surpassed.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    min_length : value_float ;
  }
}
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum geometry length threshold.

Example

```
min_length : 0.5 ;
```

min_width Simple Attribute

The `min_width` attribute specifies the the minimum geometry length threshold that triggers slotting. Slotting is triggered when the thresholds specified by the `min_length` and `min_width` attributes are both surpassed.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    min_width : valuefloat ;
  }
}
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum geometry width threshold.

Example

```
min_width : 0.4 ;
```

slot_length_range Complex Attribute

The `slot_length` attribute specifies the allowable range for the length of a slot.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  topological_design_rules() {
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
  {
    slot_length_range (min_valuefloat, max_valuefloat) ;
  }
}
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum range values.

Example

```
slot_length_range (0.2, 0.3) ;
```

slot_length_side_clearance Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the spacing from the end edge of a wire to its outermost slot.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id) {  
            slot_length_side_clearance (min_value_float, max_value_float)  
;        }  
    }  
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum spacing values.

Example

```
slot_length_side_clearance (0.2, 0.4) ;
```

slot_length_wise_spacing Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the minimum spacing between adjacent slots in a direction perpendicular to the wire (current flow) direction.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id) {  
            slot_length_wise_spacing (min_value_float, max_value_float)  
;        }  
    }  
}
```

```
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum spacing distance values.

Example

```
slot_length_wise_spacing (0.2, 0.3);
```

slot_width_range Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the allowable range for the width of a slot.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)  
  {  
    slot_width_range(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;  
  }  
}  
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum range values.

Example

```
slot_width_range (0.2, 0.3) ;
```

slot_width_side_clearance Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the spacing from the side edge of a wire to its outermost slot.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  topological_design_rules() {  
    wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id)  
  {  
    slot_width_side_clearance(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;  
  }  
}
```

```
}  
}  
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum spacing distance values.

Example

```
slot_width_side_clearance (0.2, 0.3) ;
```

slot_width_wise_spacing Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the minimum spacing between slots in a direction perpendicular to the wire (current flow) direction.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        wire_slotting_rule(routing_layer_name_id) {  
            slot_width_wise_spacing (min_value_float,  
  
                                     max_value_float)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

min_value, max_value

Floating-point numbers that represent the minimum and maximum spacing distance values.

Example

```
slot_width_wise_spacing (0.2, 0.3) ;
```

6. Specifying Attributes and Groups in the process_resource Group

You use the `process_resource` group to specify various process corners in a particular process. The `process_resource` group is defined inside the `phys_library` group and must be defined before you model any cell. Multiple `process_resource` groups are allowed in a physical library.

The information in this chapter includes the following:

- [Syntax for Attributes in the process_resource Group](#)
- [Syntax for Groups in the process_resource Group](#)

6.1 Syntax for Attributes in the process_resource Group

This section describes the attributes that you define in the `process_resource` group.

Simple Attributes

```
baseline_temperature
field_oxide_thickness
process_scale_factor
```

Complex Attribute

```
plate_cap
```

6.1.1 baseline_temperature Simple Attribute

Defines a baseline operating condition temperature.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name,id)
{
  process_resource(architectureenum)
  {
    ...
    baseline_temperature : valuefloat ;
    ...
  }
}

value
```


A floating-point number representing the baseline temperature.

Example

```
baseline_temperature : 0.5 ;
```

6.1.2 *field_oxide_thickness* Simple Attribute

Specifies the field oxide thickness.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    ...
    field_oxide_thickness : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}

value
```

A positive floating-point number in distance units.

Example

```
field_oxide_thickness : 0.5 ;
```

6.1.3 *process_scale_factor* Simple Attribute

Specifies the factor to describe the process shrinkage factor to scale the length, width, and spacing geometries.

Note:

Do not specify a value for the `process_scale_factor` attribute if you specify a value for the `shrinkage` attribute or `shrinkage_table` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    ...
    process_scale_factor : value_float ;
  }
}
```

```

    ...
  }
}

value

```

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
process_scale_factor : 0.96 ;
```

6.1.4 plate_cap Complex Attribute

Specifies the interlayer capacitance per unit area when a wire on the first routing layer overlaps a wire on the second routing layer.

Note:

The `plate_cap` statement must follow all the `routing_layer` statements and precede the `routing_wire_model` statements.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    ...
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
  }
  ...
}
plate_cap(PCAP_I1_I2_float, PCAP_I1_I3_float,
         PCAP_In-1_In_float)
;
routing_wire_model(model_name_id)
{
  ...
}
}

```

PCAP_Ia_Ib

Represents a floating-point number that specifies the plate capacitance per unit area between two routing layers, layer a and layer b. The number of PCAP values is determined by the number of previously defined routing layers. You must specify every combination of routing layer pairs based on the order of the routing layers. For example, if the layers are defined as substrate, layer1, layer2, and layer3, then the PCAP values are defined in PCAP_11_12, PCAP_11_13, and PCAP_12_13.

Example

The example shows a `plate_cap` statement for a library with four layers. The values are indexed by the routing layer order.

```
    plate_cap(    0.35, 0.06, 0.0, 0.25, 0.02, 0.15)
;

    /* PCAP_1_2, PCAP_1_3, PCAP_1_4, PCAP_2_3, PCAP_2_4, PCAP_3_4
    */
```

6.2 Syntax for Groups in the `process_resource` Group

This section describes the groups that you define in the `process_resource` group.

Groups

```
process_cont_layer
process_routing_layer
process_via
process_via_rule_generate
process_wire_rule
```

6.2.1 `process_cont_layer` Group

Specifies values for the process contact layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    process_resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        process_cont_layer(layer_name_id)
        {
            ...
        }
    }
}
```

layer_name

The name of the contact layer.

Example

```
process_cont_layer(m1) {
```

```
    ...  
}
```

6.2.2 *process_routing_layer* Group

Use a `process_routing_layer` group to define operating-condition-specific routing layer attributes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  process_resource(architecture_enum)  
  {  
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The name of the scaled routing layer.

Example

```
process_routing_layer(m1) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
cap_multiplier  
cap_per_sq  
coupling_cap  
edgecapacitance  
fringe_cap  
height  
inductance_per_dist  
lateral_oxide_thickness  
oxide_thickness  
res_per_sq  
shrinkage  
thickness
```

Complex Attributes

```
conformal_lateral_oxide
lateral_oxide
```

Groups

```
resistance_table
shrinkage_table
```

cap_multiplier Simple Attribute

Specifies a scaling factor for interconnect capacitance to account for changes in capacitance due to nearby wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      cap_multiplier : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
cap_multiplier : 2.0
```

cap_per_sq Simple Attribute

Specifies the substrate capacitance per square unit area of a process routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      cap_per_sq : value_float ;
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance for a square unit of wire, in picofarads per square distance unit.

Example

```
cap_per_sq : 5.909e-04 ;
```

coupling_cap Simple Attribute

Specifies the coupling capacitance per unit length between parallel wires on the same layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      coupling_cap : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the coupling capacitance.

Example

```
coupling_cap: 0.000019 ;
```

edgcapacitance Simple Attribute

Specifies the total peripheral capacitance per unit length of a wire on the process routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{

```

```

    process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
  {
    edgecapacitance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance per unit length value.

Example

```
edgecapacitance : 0.00065 ;
```

fringe_cap Simple Attribute

Specifies the fringe (sidewall) capacitance per unit length of a process routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
  {
    fringe_cap : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the fringe capacitance.

Example

```
fringe_cap : 0.00023 ;
```

height Simple Attribute

Specifies the distance from the top of the substrate to the bottom of the routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  process_resource(architectureenum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      height : valuefloat ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number representing the distance unit of measure.

Example

```
height : 1.0 ;
```

inductance_per_dist Simple Attribute

Specifies the inductance per unit length of a process routing layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  process_resource(architectureenum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      inductance_per_dist : valuefloat ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance.

Example

```
inductance_per_dist : 0.0029 ;
```

lateral_oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

Specifies the lateral oxide thickness for the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum){
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      lateral_oxide_thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the lateral oxide thickness.

Example

```
lateral_oxide_thickness : 1.33 ;
```

oxide_thickness Simple Attribute

Specifies the oxide thickness for the layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum){
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      oxide_thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the oxide thickness.

Example

```
oxide_thickness : 1.33 ;
```

res_per_sq Simple Attribute

Specifies the substrate resistance per square unit area of a process routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      res_per_sq : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the resistance.

Example

```
res_per_sq : 1.200e-01 ;
```

shrinkage Simple Attribute

Specifies the total distance by which the wire width on the layer shrinks or expands. The shrinkage parameter is a sum of the shrinkage for each side of the wire. The post-shrinkage wire width represents the final processed silicon width as calculated from the drawn silicon width in the design database.

Note:

Do not specify a value for the `shrinkage` attribute or `shrinkage_table` group if you specify a value for the `process_scale_factor` attribute.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      shrinkage : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the distance unit of measure.
A positive number represents shrinkage; a negative number

represents expansion.

Example

```
shrinkage : 0.00046 ;
```

thickness Simple Attribute

Specifies the thickness of the user units of objects process routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      thickness : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the thickness of the routing layer.

Example

```
thickness : 0.02 ;
```

conformal_lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

Specifies the substrate capacitance per unit area of a process routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      conformal_lateral_oxide : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance for a square unit of wire, in picofarads per square distance unit.

Example

```
conformal_lateral_oxide : 5.909e-04 ;
```

lateral_oxide Complex Attribute

Specifies the lateral oxide thickness.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      lateral_oxide : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number representing the lateral oxide thickness.

Example

```
lateral_oxide : 5.909e-04
```

resistance_table Group

Use this group to specify an array of values for sheet resistance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
      resistance_table(template_name_id)
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
  }
}

```

Example

```

resistance_table ( ) {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
values

```

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

Specifies the default indexes.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  process_resource(architectureenum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      resistance_table(template_nameid)
      {
        index_1 (valuefloat, valuefloat, valuefloat,
        ...)
        index_2 (valuefloat, valuefloat, valuefloat,
        ...)
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Example

```

resistance_table (template_name) {
  index_1 ( ) ;
  index_2 ( ) ;
  values ( ) ;
}

```

shrinkage_table Group

Specifies a lookup table template.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  process_resource(architectureenum)
  {
    process_routing_layer(layer_nameid)
    {
      shrinkage_table(template_nameid)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of a `shrinkage_lut_template` defined at the `phys_library` level.

Example

```
shrinkage_table (shrinkage_template_1) {
    ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

`index_1`
`index_2`
`values`

index_1 and *index_2* Complex Attributes

Specify the default indexes.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  ...
  shrinkage_table (template_nameid)
  {
    index_1 (valuefloat, valuefloat, valuefloat,
    ...);
    index_2 (valuefloat, valuefloat, valuefloat,
    ...);
  }
}
```

```

    ...
  }
  ...
}

value, value, value, ...

```

Floating-point numbers that represent the default indexes.

Example

```

shrinkage_lut_template (resistance_template_1) {
  index_1 (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);
  index_2 (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);
}

```

6.2.3 process_via Group

Use a `process_via` group to define an operating-condition-specific resistance value for a via.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}

via_name

```

The name of the via.

Example

```

via(via12) {
  ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

capacitance
inductance
resistance

```

res_temperature_coefficient

capacitance Simple Attribute

Specifies the capacitance contact in a cell instance (or over a macro).

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
    {
      capacitance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.05 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

Specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
    {
      inductance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance : 0.03 ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

Specifies the aggregate resistance per contact rectangle.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
    {
      resistance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the resistance value.

Example

```
resistance : 0.0375 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

The `res_temperature_coefficient` attribute specifies the coefficient of the first-order correction to the resistance per square when the operating temperature does not equal the nominal temperature.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
    {
      res_temperature_coefficient : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the temperature coefficient.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.03 ;
```

6.2.4 process_via_rule_generate Group

Use a `process_via_rule_generate` group to define an operating-condition-specific resistance value for a via.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

via_name

The name of the via.

Example

```
via(via12) {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
capacitance
inductance
resistance
res_temperature_coefficient
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

Specifies the capacitance per cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
    {
      capacitance : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.05 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

Specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
    {
      inductance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance : 0.03 ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

Specifies the aggregate resistance per contact rectangle.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
    {
      resistance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the resistance.

Example

```
resistance : 0.0375 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

Specifies the first-order temperature coefficient for the resistance.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource(architecture_enum)
  {
    process_via_rule_generate(via_name_id)
    {
      res_temperature_coefficient : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the temperature coefficient.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.0375 ;
```

6.2.5 process_wire_rule Group

Use this group to define an operating-condition-specific value for a nondefault regular via defined within a `wire_rule` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource() {
    process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

wire_rule_name

The name of the wire rule group.

Example

```
process_wire_rule(rule1) {
  ...
}
```

Group

`process_via`

`process_via` Group

Specifies the via that the router uses for this wire rule.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource() {
    process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  {
    process_via(via_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

via_name

Specifies the via name.

Example

```
process_via(non_default_via12) {  
    ...  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
capacitance  
inductance  
resistance  
res_temperature_coefficient
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

Specifies the capacitance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
    process_resource() {  
        process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)  
        {  
            process_via(via_name_id)  
            {  
                capacitance : value_enum;  
                ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitance value.

Example

```
capacitance : 0.0 ;
```

inductance Simple Attribute

Specifies the inductance per cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource() {
    process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  process_via(via_name_id)
  {
    inductance : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the inductance value.

Example

```
inductance : 0.0 ;
```

res_temperature_coefficient Simple Attribute

Specifies the first-order temperature coefficient for the resistance unit area of a routing layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  process_resource() {
    process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)
  }
  process_via(via_name_id)
  {
    res_temperature_coefficient : value_float ;
    ...
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the coefficient value.

Example

```
res_temperature_coefficient : 0.0375 ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

Specifies the aggregate resistance per contact cut.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  process_resource() {  
    process_wire_rule(wire_rule_name_id)  
  {  
    process_via(via_name_id)  
  {  
    resistance : value_float ;  
    ...  
  }  
  }  
}  
}  
  
value
```

A floating-point number representing the resistance value.

Example

```
resistance : 1.000e+00 ;
```


7. Specifying Attributes and Groups in the macro Group

For each cell, you use the `macro` group to specify the macro-level information and pin information. Macro-level information includes such properties as symmetry, size and obstruction. Pin information includes such properties as geometry and position.

This chapter describes the attributes and groups that you define in the `macro` group, with the exception of the `pin` group, which is described in Chapter 9.

7.1 macro Group

Use this group to specify the physical aspects of the cell.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

cell_name

Specifies the name of the cell.

Note:

This name must be identical to the name of the logical `cell_name` that you define in the library.

Example

```
macro (and2) {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
cell_type
create_full_pin_geometry
eq_cell
extract_via_region_within_pin_area
in_site
```

```
in_tile
leq_cell
source
symmetry
```

Complex Attributes

```
extract_via_region_from_cont_layer
obs_clip_box
origin
size
```

Groups

```
foreign
obs
site_array
pin
```

7.1.1 cell_type Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cell type.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    cell_type : value_enum ;
    ...
  }
}
}
```

value

See [Table 7-1](#) for value definitions.

Example

```
cell_type : block ;
```

Table 7-1 cell_type Values

Cell type	Definition
antennadiode_core	Dissipates a manufacturing charge from a diode.

areaio_pad	Area I/O driver
blackbox_block	Subclass of block
block	Predefined macro used in hierarchical design
bottomleft_endcap	I/O cell placed at bottom-left corner
bottomright_endcap	I/O cell placed at bottom-right corner
bump_cover	Subclass of cover
core	Core cell
cover	A cover cell is fixed to the floorplan
feedthru_core	Connects to another cell.
inout_pad	Bidirectional pad cell
input_pad	Input pad cell
output_pad	Output pad cell
pad	I/O cell
post_endcap	Cell placed at the left or top end of core rows to connect with the power ring
power_pad	Power pad
pre_endcap	Cell placed at the right or bottom end of core rows to connect with the power ring
ring	Blocks that can cut prerouted special nets and connect to these nets with ring pins
spacer_core	Fills space between regular core cells.
spacer_pad	Spacer pad
tiehigh_core	Connects I/O terminals to the power or ground.
tielow_core	Connects I/O terminals to the power or ground.
toleft_endcap	I/O cell placed at top-left corner
topright_endcap	I/O cell placed at top-right corner

7.1.2 *create_full_pin_geometry Simple Attribute*

Use this attribute to specify the full pin geometry.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        create_full_pin_geometry : value_Boolean ;
        ...
    }
}

value

```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE.

Example

```

create_full_pin_geometry : TRUE ;

```

7.1.3 eq_cell Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an electrically equivalent cell that has the same functionality, pin positions, and electrical characteristics (such as timing and power) as a previously defined cell.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        eq_cell : eq_cell_name_id ;
        ...
    }
}

eq_cell_name

```

The name of the equivalent cell previously defined in the `phys_library` group.

Example

```

eq_cell : and2a ;

```

7.1.4 extract_via_region_within_pin_area Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to whether to extract via region information from within the pin area only.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{

```

```

macro(cell_name_id)
{
    extract_via_region_within_pin_area : valueBoolean ;
    ...
}
}

value

```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
extract_via_region_within_pin_area : TRUE ;
```

7.1.5 *in_site* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the site associated with a cell. The site class and symmetry must match the cell class and symmetry.

Note:

You can use this attribute only with standard cell libraries.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        in_site : site_name_id ;
        ...
    }
}

site_name

```

The name of the associated site.

Example

```
in_site : core ;
```

7.1.6 *in_tile* Simple Attribute

The *in_tile* attribute specifies the tile associated with a cell.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{

```

```

macro(cell_name_id)
{
    in_tile : tile_name_id ;
    ...
}
}

value

```

The name of the associated tile.

Example

```
in_tile : ;
```

7.1.7 *leq_cell* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a logically equivalent cell that has the same functionality and pin interface as a previously defined cell. Logically equivalent cells need not have the same electrical characteristics, such as timing and power.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        leq_cell : leq_cell_name_id ;
        ...
    }
}

leq_cell_name

```

The name of the equivalent cell previously defined in the `phys_library` group.

Example

```
leq_cell : and2x2 ;
```

7.1.8 *source* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the source of a cell.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {

```

```

    source : value_enum ; ...
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are `user` (for a regular cell), `generate` (for a parametric cell), and `block` (for a block cell).

Example

```
source : user ;
```

7.1.9 *symmetry Simple Attribute*

Use this attribute to specify the acceptable orientation for the macro. The cell symmetry must match the associated site symmetry. When the attribute is not specified, a cell is considered asymmetric. The allowable orientations of the cell are derived from the symmetry.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    symmetry : value_enum ;
    ...
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are `r`, `x`, `y`, `xy`, and `rxxy`.

where

`r`

Specifies symmetry in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation

`x`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis

`y`

Specifies symmetry about the y-axis

`xy`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis

`rxxy`

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis and in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation increments

Example

```
symmetry : r ;
```

7.1.10 *extract_via_region_from_cont_layer* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to extract via region information from contact layers.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    extract_via_region_from_cont_layer(cont_layer_name_id,
                                       cont_layer_name_id, ... ) ;
    ...
  }
}
```

cont_layer_name

A list of one or more string values representing the contact layer names.

Example

```
extract_via_region_from_cont_layer ( ) ;
```

7.1.11 *obs_clip_box* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a rectangular area of a cell layout in which connections are not allowed or not desired. The resulting rectangle becomes an obstruction. Use this attribute at the `macro` group level to customize the rectangle size for a cell. The values you specify at the `macro` group level override the values you set in the `pseudo_phys_library` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs_clip_box( top_float, right_float,
                 bottom_float, left_float ) ;
    ...
  }
}
```


top, right, bottom, left

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the corners of the rectangular area.

Example

```
obs_clip_box(165000, 160000, 160000, 160000) ;
```

7.1.12 *origin* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the origin of a cell, which is the lower-left corner of the bounding box.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    origin(num_x_float, num_y_float) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the origin coordinates.

Example

```
origin(0.0, 0.0) ;
```

7.1.13 *size* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the size of a cell. This is the minimum bounding rectangle for the cell. Set this to a multiple of the placement grid.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    size(num_x_float, num_y_float) ;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the cell bounding box dimension. For standard cells, the height should be equal to the associated site height and the width should be a multiple of the site width.

Example

```
size(0.9, 7.2) ;
```

7.1.14 foreign Group

Use this group to specify the associated GDSII structure (model) of a macro. Used for GDSII input and output to adjust the coordinate and orientation variations between GDSII and the physical library.

Note:

Only one `foreign` group is allowed in a `macro` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    foreign(foreign_object_name_id) {
      ...
    }
  }
}

foreign_object_name
```

The name of the corresponding GDSII cell (model).

Example

```
foreign(and12a) {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
orientation
```

Complex Attribute

```
origin
```

orientation Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the orientation of the GDSII foreign cell.

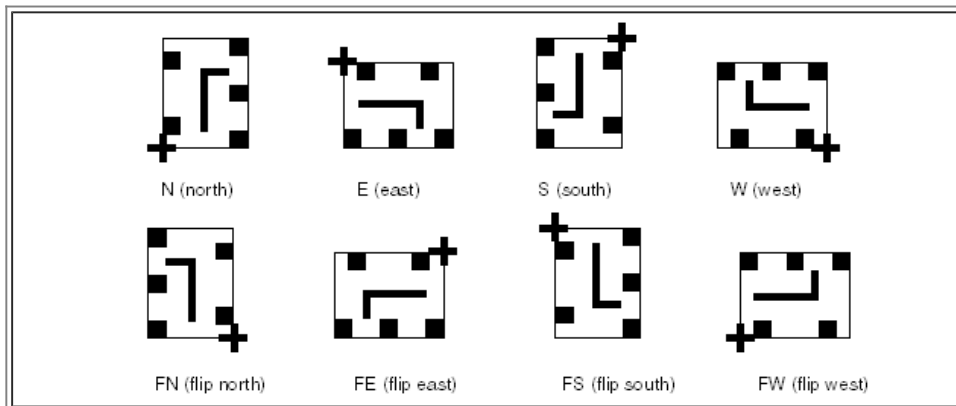
Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    foreign(foreign_object_name_string)  
    {  
      orientation : value_enum ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 7-1](#).

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Example

```
orientation : N ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the equivalent coordinates of a placed macro origin in the GDSII coordinate system.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{
```

```

macro(cell_name_id)
{
  foreign(foreign_object_name_id) {
    origin(x_float, y_float) ;
    ...
  }
}

```

x, y

Floating-point numbers that specify the GDSII coordinates where the macro origin is placed.

Example

The example shows that the macro origin (the lower-left corner) is located at (-2.0, -3.0) in the GDSII coordinate system.

```
origin(-2.0, -3.0) ;
```

7.1.15 *obs* Group

Use this group to specify an obstruction on a cell.

Note:

The *obs* group does not take a name.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

Example

```
obs() {
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
via
via_iterate
```

Group

geometry

via Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a via instance at the given coordinates.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      via(via_name_id, x_float, y_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

via_name

The name of a via already defined in the `resource` group.

x, *y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the x- and y-coordinates for placement.

Example

```
via(via12, 0, 100) ;
```

via_iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an array of via instances in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      via_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int, space_x_float,
                 space_y_float, via_name_id, x_float, y_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

num_x, num_y

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, space_y

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing between each via origin.

via_name

Specifies the name of a previously defined via to be instantiated.

x, y

Floating-point numbers that specify the endpoints.

Example

```
via_iterate(2, 2, 2.000, 3.000.0, via12, 176.0, 1417.0)
;
```

geometry Group

Use this group to specify the geometries of an obstruction on the specified macro.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

layer_name

Specifies the name of the layer where the obstruction is located.

Example

```
geometry(metal) {
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
core_blockage_margin
feedthru_area_layer
generate_core_blockage
preserve_current_layer_blockage
treat_current_layer_as_thin_wire
```

Complex Attributes

```
max_dist_to_combine_current_layer_blockage
path
path_iterate
polygon
polygon_iterate
rectangle
rectangle_iterate
```

core_blockage_margin Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a value for computing the margin of a block core.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        core_blockage_margin : valuefloat ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

A positive floating-point number representing the margin.

Example

```
core_blockage_margin : 0.0 ;
```

feedthru_area_layer Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to prevent an area from being covered with a blockage and to prevent any merging from occurring within the specified area on the corresponding layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        feedthru_area_layer : value_id ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

A string representing the layer name.

Example

```
core_blockage_margin : 0.0 ;
```

generate_core_blockage Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify whether to generate the core blockage information.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        generate_core_blockage : value_Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example


```
generate_core_blockage : TRUE ;
```

preserve_current_layer_blockage Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify whether to preserve the current layer blockage information.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        preserve_current_layer_blockage : value_Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

value
```

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
preserve_current_layer_blockage : TRUE ;
```

treat_current_layer_as_thin_wires Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify whether to treat the current layer as thin wires.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        treat_current_layer_as_thin_wires : value_Boolean ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are TRUE and FALSE (default).

Example

```
treat_current_layer_as_thin_wires : TRUE ;
```

max_dist_to_combine_current_layer_blockage Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a maximum distance value, beyond which blockages on the current layer are not combined.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        max_dist_to_combine_current_layer_blockage
          ( value_float, value_float ) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
value
```

Floating-point numbers that represent the maximum distance value.

Example

```
max_dist_to_combine_current_layer_blockage ( ) ;
```

path Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a shape by connecting specified points. The drawn geometry is extended on both endpoints by half the wire width.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
```

```

    geometry(layer_name_id)
  {
    path(width_float, x1_float, y1_float,
    ..., ...,
        xn_float, yn_float) ;
    ...
  }
}

```

width

Floating-point number that represents the width of the path shape.

x1,y1,..., ..., xn,yn

Floating-point numbers that represent the x- and y-coordinates for each point that defines a trace. The path shape is extended from the trace outward by one half the width on both sides. If only one point is specified, a square centered on that point is generated. The width of the generated square equals the *width* value.

Example

```
path(2.0,1,1,1,4,10,4,10,8) ;
```

path_iterate Complex Attribute

Represents an array of paths in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        path_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int,
        space_x_float, space_y_float,
        width_float, x1_float, y1_float, ...,
        xn_float, yn_float
      )
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

num_x, num_y

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, space_y

Specify the value for spacing around the path.

width

Floating-point number that represents the width of the path shape.

x1, y1

Floating-point numbers that represent the first path point.

xn, yn

Floating-point numbers that represent the final path point.

Example

```
path_iterate(2,1,5.000,5.000,2.0,1,1,1,4,10,4,10,8) ;
```

polygon Complex Attribute

Represents a rectilinear polygon by connecting all the specified points.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        polygon(x1, y1, ..., xn, yn) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

x1,y1,...,xn,yn

Floating-point numbers that represent the x- and y-coordinates for each point that defines the shape. Specify a minimum of four points.

You are responsible for ensuring that the resulting polygon is orthogonal.

Example

```
polygon(175.500, 1414.360, 176.500, 1414.360, 176.500,
        1417.360, 175.500, 1417.360) ;
```

polygon_iterate Complex Attribute

Represents an array of rectilinear polygons in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
      {
        polygon_iterate (num_x_int, num_y_int,
                        space_x_float, space_y_float,
                        x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float, x3_float, y3_float, ...,
                        xn_float, yn_float) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around the polygon.

x1, *y1*; *x2*, *y2*; *x3*, *y3*; ..., ..., *xn*, *yn*

Floating-point numbers that represent successive points of the polygon.

Note:

You must specify at least four points.

Example

```
polygon_iterate(2, 2, 2.000, 4.000, 175.500, 1414.360,
                176.500, 1414.360, 176.500,
1417.360,
                175.500, 1417.360) ;
```

rectangle Complex Attribute

Represents a rectangle.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
    {
      rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

x1, *y1*, *x2*, *y2*

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
rectangle(2, 0, 4, 0) ;
```

rectangle_iterate Complex Attribute

Represents an array of rectangles in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    obs() {
      geometry(layer_name_id)
    {
      rectangle_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int,
        space_x_float, space_y_float,
        x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float)
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around the rectangles.

x1, y1; x2, y2

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposite corners of the rectangles.

Example

```
rectangle_iterate(2, 2, 2.000, 4.000, 175.500,  
1417.360,  
176.500, 1419.140) ;
```

7.1.16 *site_array* Group

Use this group to specify the site array associated with a cell. The site class and site symmetry must match the cell class and cell symmetry.

Note:

You can use this attribute only with gate array libraries.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    site_array(site_name_id) {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

site_name

The name of a site already defined in the `resource` group.

Example

```
site_array(core) {  
  ...  
}
```

Simple Attribute

`orientation`

Complex Attributes

```
iterate
origin
```

orientation Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify how you place the cells in an array.

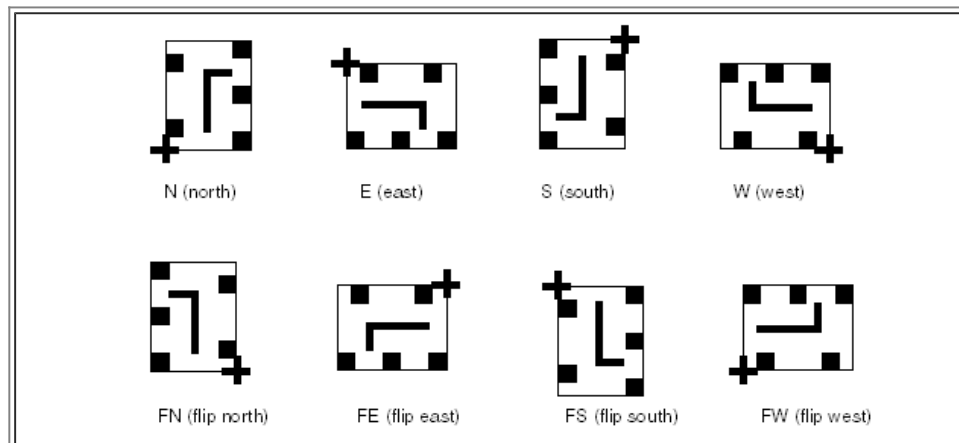
Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    site_array (site_name_id) {
      orientation : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 7-2](#).

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Example

```
orientation : N ;
```

iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the dimensions and arrangement of an array of sites.

Syntax


```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    site_array(site_name_id) {
      iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int, space_x_int,
             space_y_int) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

num_x, *num_y*

Integer numbers that represent the number of rows and columns in an array, respectively.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that represent the row and column spacing, respectively.

Example

```
iterate(17, 1, 0.98, 11.76) ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the origin of a site array.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    site_array (site_name_id) {
      origin(x_float, y_float) ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

x, *y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the origin coordinates of the site array.

Example

```
origin(0.0, 0.0) ;
```


8. Specifying Attributes and Groups in the pin Group

For each cell, you use the `macro` group to specify the macro-level information and pin information. Macro-level information includes such properties as symmetry, size and obstruction. Pin information includes such properties as geometry and position.

This chapter describes the attributes and groups that you define in the `pin` group within the `macro` group.

8.1 pin Group

Use this group to specify one pin in a `cell` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

pin_name

Specifies the name of the pin. This name must be identical to the name of the logical `pin_name` that you define in the library.

Example

```
pin(A) {
  ...
  pin description
  ...
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
capacitance
direction
eq_pin
must_join
pin_shape
pin_type
```

Complex Attributes

```
antenna_contact_accum_area
antenna_contact_accum_side_area
antenna_contact_area
antenna_contact_area_partial_ratio
antenna_contact_side_area
antenna_contact_side_area_partial_ratio
antenna_diffusion_area
antenna_gate_area
antenna_metal_accum_area
antenna_metal_accum_side_area
antenna_metal_accum_side_area_partial_ratio
antenna_metal_area
antenna_metal_area_partial_ratio
```

Groups

```
foreign
port
```

8.1.1 capacitance Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the capacitance value for a pin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      capacitance : value_float ;
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number representing the capacitance value.

Example

```
capacitance : 1.0 ;
```

8.1.2 direction Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the direction of a pin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      direction : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

Valid values are inout, input, feedthru, output, and tristate.

Example

```
direction : inout ;
```

8.1.3 eq_pin Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an electrically equivalent pin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      eq_pin : pin_name_id ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

pin_name

The name of an electrically equivalent pin.

Example

```
eq_pin : A ;
```

8.1.4 *must_join* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the name of a pin that must be connected to the `pin_group` pin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
      must_join : pin_name_id ;  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

pin_name

The name of the pin that must be connected to the `pin_group` pin.

Example

```
must_join : A ;
```

8.1.5 *pin_shape* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the pin shape.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{
```

```

macro(cell_name_id)
{
  pin(pin_name_id)
  {
    ...
    pin_shape : value_enum ;
    ...
  }
}
}
value

```

Valid values are ring, abutment, and feedthru.

Example

```
pin_shape : ring ;
```

8.1.6 *pin_type* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify what a pin is used for.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      pin_type : value_enum ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
value

```

Valid values are clock, power, signal, analog, and ground.

Example

```
pin_type : clock ;
```

8.1.7 *antenna_contact_accum_area* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cumulative contact area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_contact_accum_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the antenna.

Example

```
antenna_contact_accum_area ( 0.0 ) ;
```

8.1.8 antenna_contact_accum_side_area Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cumulative side area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_contact_accum_side_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the antenna.

Example

```
antenna_contact_accum_side_area ( 0.0 ) ;
```


8.1.9 *antenna_contact_area* Complex Attribute

Use this pin-specific attribute and the following attributes to specify contributions coming from intracell geometries: *antenna_contact_area*, *antenna_contact_length*, *total_antenna_contact_length*. These attributes together account for all the geometries, including the ports of pins that appear in the cell's physical model.

For black box cells, use this pin-specific attribute along with *antenna_contact_length* and *antenna_contact_perimeter* to specify the amount of metal connected to a block pin on a given layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_contact_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the contributions coming from intracell geometries.

Example

```
antenna_contact_area (0.3648, 0,0,0,0,0) ;
```

8.1.10 *antenna_contact_area_partial_ratio* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the antenna ratio of a contact.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_contact_area_partial_ratio (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

```
}  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_contact_area_partial_ratio ( 0.0 ) ;
```

8.1.11 antenna_contact_side_area Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the side wall area of a contact.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
      antenna_contact_side_area (value_float);  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_contact_side_area ( 0.0 ) ;
```

8.1.12 antenna_contact_side_area_partial_ratio Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the antenna ratio using the side wall area of a contact.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)
```

```

{
    ...
    antenna_contact_side_area_partial_ratio
        (value_float);
    ...
}
}
}

value

```

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_contact_side_area_partial_ratio ( 0.0 ) ;
```

8.1.13 antenna_diffusion_area Complex Attribute

For black box cells, use this attribute to specify the total diffusion area connected to a block's pin using layers less than or equal to the pin's layer.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        pin(pin_name_id)
        {
            ...
            antenna_diffusion_area (value_float,value_float           value_float
            ...);
            ...
        }
    }
}

value

```

Floating-point numbers representing the total diffusion area.

Example

```
antenna_diffusion_area (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, ...);
```

8.1.14 antenna_gate_area Complex Attribute

For black box cells, use this attribute to specify the total gate area connected to a block's pin using layers less than or equal to the pin's layer.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_gate_area (value_float, value_float           value_float
...);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value, *value*, *value*, ...

Floating-point numbers that represent the total gate area.

Example

```
antenna_gate_area (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, ...) ;
```

8.1.15 antenna_metal_accum_area Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cumulative metal area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_metal_accum_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the antenna.

Example

```
antenna_metal_accum_area ( ) ;
```

8.1.16 antenna_metal_accum_side_area Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cumulative side area.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_metal_accum_side_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the antenna.

Example

```
antenna_metal_accum_side_area ( ) ;
```

8.1.17 antenna_metal_area Complex Attribute

Use this pin-specific attribute and antenna_metal_area to specify contributions coming from intracell geometries. These attributes together account for all the geometries, including the ports of pins that appear in the cell's physical model.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_metal_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the contributions coming from intracell geometries.

Example

```
antenna_metal_area (0.3648, 0,0,0,0,0) ;
```

8.1.18 *antenna_metal_area_partial_ratio* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the antenna ratio of a metal wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_metal_area_partial_ratio (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}

value
```

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_metal_area_partial_ratio () ;
```

8.1.19 *antenna_metal_side_area* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the side wall area of a metal wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      antenna_metal_side_area (value_float);
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_metal_side_area ( ) ;
```

8.1.20 *antenna_metal_side_area_partial_ratio* Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the antenna ratio using the side wall area of a metal wire.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
      antenna_metal_side_area_partial_ratio (value_float);  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the ratio.

Example

```
antenna_metal_side_area_partial_ratio ( ) ;
```

8.1.21 *foreign* Group

Use this group to specify which GDSII structure (model) to use when an instance of a pin is placed. Only one *foreign* group is allowed in a library.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)
```

```

{
  pin(pin_name_id)
{
  ...
  foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
{
  ...
}
}
}
}

```

foreign_object_name

The name of the GDSII structure (model).

Example

```

foreign(via34) {
  ...
}

```

Simple Attribute

orientation

Complex Attribute

origin

orientation Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify how you place the cells in an array in relation to the VDD and VSS buses.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
{
  pin(pin_name_id)
{
  ...
  foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
{
  orientation : value_enum ;
  ...
}
}
}

```



```

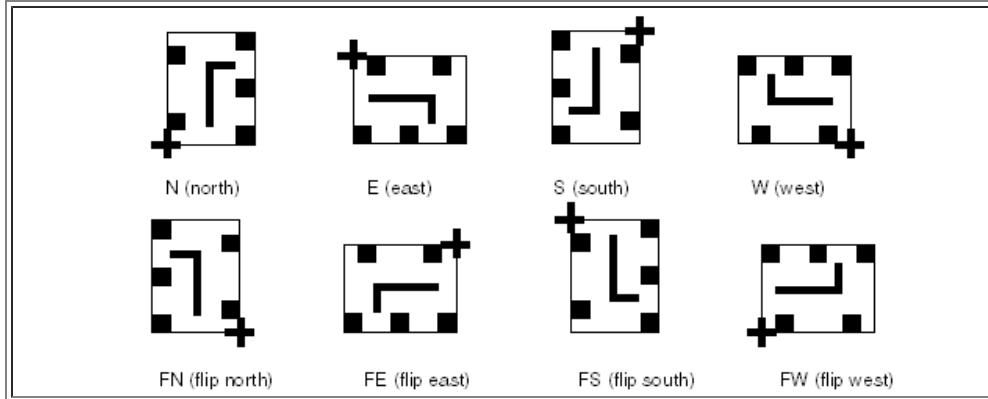
    }
  }
}

```

value

Valid values are N (north), E (east), S (south), W (west), FN (flip north), FE (flip east), FS (flip south), and FW (flip west), as shown in [Figure 8-1](#).

Figure 8-1 Orientation Examples



Example

```
orientation : N ;
```

origin Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the equivalent coordinates of a placed foreign origin.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      ...
      foreign(foreign_object_name_id)
    }
    {
      ...
      origin(x_float, y_float) ;
    }
  }
}
}
}
x,y

```

Floating-point numbers that specify the coordinates of the foreign object's origin.

Example

```
origin(-1, -1) ;
```

8.1.22 port Group

Use this group to specify the port geometries for a pin.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      port() {  
        ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Note:

The `port` group does not take a name.

Example

```
port() {  
  ...  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
via  
via_iterate
```

Group

```
geometry
```

via Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to instantiate a via relative to the origin implied by the coordinates (typically the center).

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      port() {
        via(via_name_id, x, y) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

via_name

A previously defined via.

x

The horizontal coordinate.

y

The vertical coordinate.

Example

```
via(via23, 25.00, -30.00) ;
```

via_iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to instantiate an array of vias in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      port() {
        ...
        via_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int,
                   space_x_float, space_y_float,
                   via_name_id, x_float, y_float) ;
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

num_x, num_y

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, space_y

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around each via.

via_name

Specifies the name of a previously defined via.

x, y

Floating-point numbers that specify the location of the first via.

Example

```
via_iterate(2, 2, 100, 100, via12, 0, 0) ;
```

geometry Group

Use this group to specify the geometry of an obstruction or a port.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      port() {  
        ...  
        geometry(layer_name_id)  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

layer_name

The layer where the shape is defined.

Example

```

geometry(cut01) {
    ...
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

path
path_iterate
polygon
polygon_iterate
rectangle
rectangle_iterate

```

path Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a shape by connecting specified points. The drawn geometry is extended by half the default wire width of the layer on both endpoints.

Syntax

```

phys_library(library_name_id)
{
    macro(cell_name_id)
    {
        pin(pin_name_id)
    {
        port() {
            geometry(layer_name_id)
            {
                path(widthfloat, x1float, y1float
                ..., ...,
                xnfloat,
                ynfloat)
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

width

Floating-point number that represents the width of the path shape.

x1,y1; ..., ..., xn,yn

Floating-point numbers that represent the x- and y-coordinates for each point that defines a trace. The path shape is extended from the trace by one half of the width on both sides. If only one point is specified, a square centered on

that point is generated. The width of the generated square equals the width value.

Example

```
path(1,1,4,4,10,10,5,10) ;
```

path_iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an array of paths in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      port() {
        geometry(layer_name_id)
        {
          ...
          path_iterate(num_x_int, num_y_int,
                     space_x_float, space_y_float,
                     width_float, x1_float, y1_float...,
                     xn_float, yn_float)
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Integer numbers that, respectively, represent the number of columns and rows in the array.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around the path.

width

Floating-point number that represents the width of the path shape.

x1, *y1*

Floating-point numbers that represent the first path point.

xn, *yn*

Floating-point numbers that represent the final path point.

Example

```
path_iterate(2, 1, 5.000, 5.000, 1.000, 174.500, 1419.140,  
            177.500, 1422.140) ;
```

polygon Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a rectilinear polygon by connecting all the specified points.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  macro(cell_name_id)  
  {  
    pin(pin_name_id)  
    {  
      port() {  
        geometry(layer_name_id)  
        {  
          ...  
          polygon(x1_float, y1_float,  
..., ...,  
                xn_float, yn_float)  
          ...  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

x1,y1; ..., ..., xn,yn

Floating-point numbers that represent the x- and y-coordinates for each point that defines the shape. You should specify a minimum of four points.

Note:

You are responsible for ensuring that the resulting polygon is rectilinear.

Example

```
polygon(175.500, 1414.360, 176.500, 1414.360, 176.500,  
       1417.360, 175.500, 1417.360) ;
```

polygon_iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an array of polygons in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_nameid)
{
  macro(cell_nameid)
  {
    pin(pin_nameid)
  {
    port() {
      geometry(layer_nameid )
    {
      ...
      polygon_iterate(num_xint, num_yint,
        space_xfloat, space_yfloat,
        x1float, y1float,
x2float, y2float,
x3float, y3float..., xnfloat, ynfloat)
      ...
    }
  }
}
}
```

num_x, *num_y*

Integer numbers that represent the number of columns and rows in the array, respectively.

space_x, *space_y*

Floating-point numbers that specify the value for spacing around the polygon.

x1, *y1*; *x2*, *y2*; *x3*, *y3*; ..., ...; *xn*, *yn*

Floating-point numbers that represent successive points of the polygon.

Note:

You must specify at least four points.

Example

```
polygon_iterate(2, 2, 2.000, 4.000, 175.500, 1414.360,
                176.500, 1414.360, 176.500, 1417.360,
                175.500, 1417.360) ;
```


rectangle Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a rectangular shape.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      port() {
        geometry(layer_name_id)
        {
          ...
          rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float)
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

x1, *y1*, *x2*, *y2*

Floating-point number that specify the coordinates for the diagonally opposing corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
rectangle(2, 0, 4, 0) ;
```

rectangle_iterate Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify an array of rectangles in a particular pattern.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)
{
  macro(cell_name_id)
  {
    pin(pin_name_id)
    {
      port() {
        geometry(layer_name_id)
        {

```


9. Developing a Physical Library

The physical library specifies the information required for floor planning, RC estimation and extraction, placement, and routing.

You use the physical library syntax (.plib) to model your physical library.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Creating the Physical Library](#)
- [Naming the Source File](#)
- [Naming the Physical Library](#)
- [Defining the Units of Measure](#)

9.1 Creating the Physical Library

This section describes how to name your source file and library, and how to define the units of measure for properties in your library.

9.1.1 Naming the Source File

The recommended file name suffix for physical library source files is .plib.

Example

```
myLib.plib
```

9.1.2 Naming the Physical Library

You specify the name for your physical library in the `phys_library` group, which is always the first executable line in a library source file.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id)  
{  
  ...  
}
```

Use the `comment`, `date`, and `revision` attributes to document your library source file.

Example

```
phys_library(sample) {
```

```

    date : "1st Jan 2002" ;
    revision : "Revision 2.0.5" ;
}

```

9.1.3 Defining the Units of Measure

Use the `phys_library` group attributes described in [Table 9-1](#) to specify the units of measure for properties such as capacitance and resistance. The unit statements must precede other definitions, such as the technology data, design rules, and macros.

Syntax

```

phys_library (library_nameid)
{
    ...attribute_name : valueenum ;
    ...
}

```

Example

```

phys_library(sample) {
    capacitance_unit : 1pf ;
    distance_unit : 1um ;
    resistance_unit : 1ohm ;
    ...
}

```

[Table 9-1](#) lists the attribute names and values that you can use to define the units of measure.

Table 9-1 Units of Measure

Property	Attribute name	Legal values
Capacitance	<code>capacitance_unit</code>	1pf, 1ff, 10ff, 100ff
Distance	<code>distance_unit</code>	1um, 1mm
Resistance	<code>resistance_unit</code>	1ohm, 100ohm, 10ohm, 1kohm
Time	<code>time_unit</code>	1ns, 100ps, 10ps, 1ps
Voltage	<code>voltage_unit</code>	1mV, 10mV, 100mV, 1V
Current	<code>current_unit</code>	100uA, 100mA, 1A, 1uA, 10uA, 1mA, 10mA
Power	<code>power_unit</code>	1mw
Database distance resolution	<code>dist_conversion_factor</code>	Any multiple of 100



10. Defining the Process and Design Parameters

The physical library specifies the information required for floor planning, RC estimation and extraction, placement, and routing.

You use the physical library syntax (.plib) to model your physical library.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Defining the Technology Data](#)
- [Defining the Architecture](#)
- [Defining the Layers](#)
- [Defining Vias](#)
- [Defining the Placement Sites](#)

10.1 Defining the Technology Data

Technology data includes the process and electrical design parameters. Site-array and cell data refer to the technology data; therefore, you must define the layer data before you define site-array and cell data.

10.1.1 Defining the Architecture

You specify the architecture and the layer information in the `resource` group inside the `phys_library` group.

Syntax

```
phys_library(library_name_id) {
    resource(architecture_enum)
    {
        ...
    }
}
```

architecture

The valid values are `std_cell` and `array`.

Example

```
phys_library(mylib) {
    ...
    resource(std_cell) {
```

```

    ...
}
}

```

10.1.2 Defining the Layers

The layer definition is order dependent. You define the layers starting with the layer closest to the substrate and ending with the layer furthest from the substrate.

Depending on their purpose, the layers can include

- Contact layer
- Overlap layer
- Routing layer
- Device layer

Contact Layer

Contact layers define the contact cuts that enable current to flow between the device and the first routing layer or between any two routing layers; for example, cut01 between poly and metal1, or cut12 between metal1 and metal2. You define the contact layer by using the `contact_layer` attribute inside the `resource` group.

Syntax

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
    contact_layer(layer_name_id)
    ...
}

```

Example

```

contact_layer(cut01) ;

```

Overlap Layer

An overlap layer provides accurate overlap checking of rectilinear blocks. You define the overlap layer by using the `overlap_layer` attribute inside the `resource` group.

Syntax

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
    overlap_layer(layer_name_id)
    ...
}

```

Example

```

resource(std_cell) {
    overlap_layer(mod) ;
    ...
}

```

Routing Layer

You define the routing layer and its properties by using the `routing_layer` group inside the `resource` group.

Syntax

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
    routing_layer(layer_name_id)
    {
        attribute : value_float ;
        ...
    }
}

```

Example

```

resource(std_cell) ; {
    routing_layer(m1) { /* metall layer definition
*/
        cap_per_sq : 3.200e-04 ;
        default_routing_width : 3.200e-01 ;
        res_per_sq : 7.000e-02 ;
        routing_direction : horizontal ;
        pitch : 9.000e-01;
        spacing : 3.200e-01 ;
        cap_multiplier : ;
        shrinkage : ;
        thickness : ;
    }
}

```

[Table 10-1](#) lists the attributes you can use to specify routing layer properties.

Note:

All numerical values are floating-point numbers.

Table 10-1 Routing Layer Simple Attributes

Attribute name	Valid values	Property
<code>default_routing_width</code>		Minimum metal width allowed on the layer; the

	> 0.0	default width for regular wiring
cap_per_sq	> 0.0	Capacitance per square unit between a layer and a substrate, used to model wire-to-ground capacitance
res_per_sq	> 0.0	Resistance per square unit
coupling_cap	> 0.0	Coupling capacitance between parallel wires on the same layer
fringe_cap	> 0.0	Fringe (sidewall) capacitance per unit length of a routing layer
routing_direction	horizontal, vertical	Preferred routing direction
pitch	> 0.0	Routing pitch
spacing	> 0.0	Default different net spacing (edge-edge) for regular wiring on a layer
cap_multiplier	> 0.0	Cap multiplier; accounts for changes in capacitance due to nearby wires
shrinkage	> 0.0	Shrinkage of metal $EffWidth = MetalWidth - Shrinkage$
thickness	> 0.0	Thickness
height	>0.0	The distance from the top of the substrate to the bottom of the routing layer
offset	> 0.0	The offset from the placement grid to the routing grid
edgecapacitance	> 0.0	Total peripheral capacitance per unit length of a wire on the routing layer
inductance_per_dist	> 0.0	Inductance per unit length of a routing layer
antenna_area_factor	> 0.0	Antenna effect; to limit the area of wire segments

Specifying Net Spacing

Use the `rounded_spacing` complex attribute to specify the different net spacing for special wiring on the layer. You can also use this attribute to specify the minimum spacing for a particular routing width range of the metal. You can use more than one `rounded_spacing` attribute to specify spacing rules for different ranges.

Each `rounded_spacing` attribute requires floating-point values for the minimum width for the wiring range, the maximum width for the wiring range, and the minimum spacing for the net.

Syntax

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
  routing_layer(layer_name_id)
  {
    ...
    ranged_spacing(value_float, value_float, value_float) ;
    ...
  }
}

```

Example

```

routing_layer(m1) {
  ...
  ranged_spacing(1.60, 2.40, 1.20) ;
  ...
}

```

Device Layer

Device layers make up the transistors below the routing layers—for example, the poly layer and the active layer. To define the device layer, use the `device_layer` attribute inside the `resource` group.

Wires are not allowed on device layers. If pins appear in the device layer, you must define vias to permit the router to connect the pins to the first routing layer.

Syntax

```

resource(architecture_enum)
{
  device_layer(layer_name_id)
;
  ...
}

```

Example

```

resource(std_cell) {
  device_layer (poly) ;
  ...
}

```

10.1.3 Defining Vias

A via is the routing connection for wires in each pair of connected layers. Vias typically comprise three layers: the two connected layers and the cut layer between the connected layers.

Naming the Via

You define the via name in the `via` group inside the `resource` group.

Syntax

```
resource(architecture_enum)
{
  via(via_name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

Example

```
resource(std_cell) {
  ...
  via(via23) {
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Defining the Via Properties

You define the via properties by using the following attributes inside the `via` group.

- `is_default`
- `top_of_stack_only`
- `resistance`

Syntax

```
via(via_name_id)
{
  is_default : Boolean ;
  top_of_the_stack : Boolean ;
  resistance : float ;
  ...
}
```

Example

```
via(via23) {
  is_default : TRUE;
  top_of_stack_only : FALSE;
  resistance : 1.0;
  ...
}
```

[Table 10-2](#) lists the properties you can define with the via attributes.

Table 10-2 Defining Via Properties

Attribute name	Valid values	Property
is_default	TRUE, FALSE	Default via for a given layer pair
top_of_stack_only	TRUE, FALSE	Use only on top of a via stack
resistance	floating-point number	Resistance per contact-cut rectangle

Defining the Geometry for Simple Vias

Define the via geometry (or geometries) by using `via_layer` groups inside a `via` group. Each `via_layer` group defines the via geometry for one layer. Use the name of the layer as the `via_layer` group name.

The `layer1` and `layer2` layers are the adjacent routing layers, where `layer1` is closer to the substrate. The contact layer is the cut layer between `layer1` and `layer2`.

For rectilinear vias, you define the geometry by using more than one rectangle function for the corresponding layer.

Syntax

```
via_layer(layer1_name_id)
{
    rectangle(x11_float, y11_float, x21_float, y21_float)
;
    /* 1 or more rectangles */
}
via_layer(contact_name_id)
{
    rectangle(x1c_float, y1c_float, x2c_float, y2c_float)
;
    /* 1 or more rectangles */
}
via_layer(layer2_name_id)
{
    rectangle(x12_float, y12_float, x22_float, y22_float)
;
    /* 1 or more rectangles */
}
```

where $(x11, y11)$, $(x21, y21)$, $(x1c, y1c)$, $(x2c, y2c)$, $(x12, y12)$, and $(x22, y22)$ are the coordinates of the opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
via(via 45) {
    is_default : TRUE ;
```

```

    resistance : 1.5 ;
    via_layer(metal4) {
        rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3) ;
    }
    via_layer(cut45) {
        rectangle(-0.18, -0.18, 0.18, 0.18) ;
    }
    via_layer(metal5) {
        rectangle(-0.27, -0.27, 0.27, 0.27) ;
    }
}

```

Defining the Geometry for Special Vias

Special vias are vias that have

- Fewer than three layers, with one layer being a contact layer
- More than three layers

Vias With Fewer Than Three Layers

To define vias that have fewer than three layers, use the `via_layer` group, as shown below.

Syntax

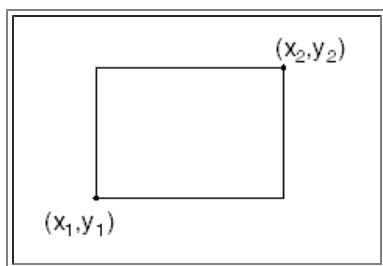
```

via_layer(via_name_id)
{
    rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float)
; }

```

where (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) are the coordinates (floating-point numbers) for the opposite corners of the rectangle, as shown in [Figure 10-1](#).

Figure 10-1 Coordinates of a Rectangle



Example

```

via_layer(cut23) {
    rectangle(-0.18, -0.18, 0.18, 0.18) ;
}

```

Vias With More Than Three Layers

For vias with more than three layers, use multiple `via_layer` groups. You can have more than one `via_layer` group in your physical library.

Syntax

```
via_layer (via_name;id)
{
  rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float)
;}
```

where $(x1, y1)$ and $(x2, y2)$ are the coordinates (floating-point numbers) for the opposite corners of the rectangle.

Example

```
via(via123) {
  resistance : 1.5 ;
  via_layer(met1) {
    rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3):
  }
  via_layer(cut12) {
    rectangle(-0.2, -0.2, 0.2, 0.2):
  }
  via_layer(met2) {
    rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3):
  }
  via_layer(met23) {
    rectangle(-0.2, -0.2, 0.2, 0.2):
  }
  via_layer (met3) {
    rectangle(-0.3, -0.3, 0.3, 0.3) ;
  }
}
```

Referencing a Foreign Structure

Use the `foreign` group to specify which GDSII structure (model) to use when you place an instance of the via. You also use this group to specify the orientation and the offset with respect to the GDSII structure origin.

Note:

Only one foreign reference is allowed for each via.

Syntax

```
foreign(foreign_structure_name;id)
{
  orientation : N | E | W | S | FN | FE | FW | FS
;
  origin(xfloat yfloat) ;
}
```

where *x* and *y* represent the offset distance.

Example

```
via(via34) {
  is_default : TRUE ;
  resistance : 2.0e-02 ;
  foreign(via34) {
    orientation : FN ;
    origin(-1, -1) ;
  }
  ...
}
```

10.1.4 Defining the Placement Sites

For each class of cells (such as cores and pads), you must define the available sites for placement. The methodology you use for defining placement sites depends on whether you are working with standard cell technology or gate array technology.

Standard Cell Technology

For standard cell technologies you define the placement sites by defining the site name in the `site` group inside the `resource` group, and by defining the site properties using the following attributes inside the `site` group:

- The `site_class` attribute specifies the site class. Two types of placement sites are supported:
 - Core (core cell placement)
 - Pad (I/O placement)
- The `symmetry` attribute specifies the site symmetry with respect to the x- and y-axes.

Note:

If you do not specify the `symmetry` attribute, the site is considered asymmetric.

- The `size` attribute specifies the site size.

Syntax

```
resource(architectureenum)
{
  site(site_nameid)
```

```

{
  site_class : core | pad ;
  symmetry : x | y | r | xy | rxy ;
  size(x_size_float, y_size_float)
;
}
}

```

site_name

The name of the library site. Common practice is to describe the function of the site (core or pad) with the site name.

You can assign one of the following values to the `symmetry` attribute:

x

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis

y

Specifies symmetry about the y-axis

r

Specifies symmetry in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation

xy

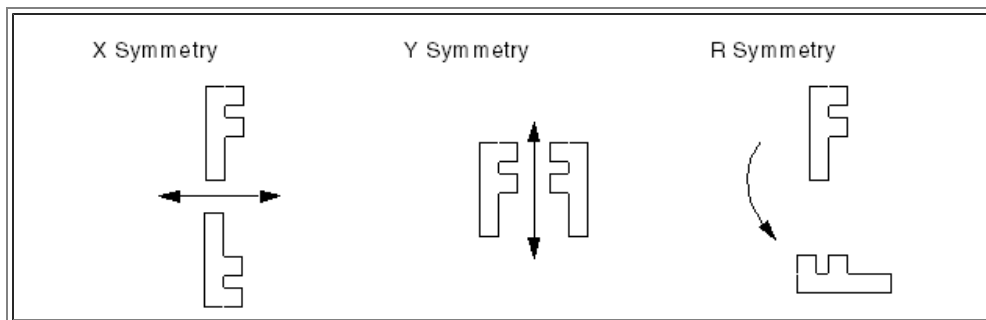
Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis

rxy

Specifies symmetry about the x-axis and the y-axis and in 90 degree counterclockwise rotation increments

[Figure 10-2](#) shows the relationship of the symmetry values to the axis.

Figure 10-2 Examples of X, Y, and R Symmetry



Gate Array Technology

Follow these guidelines when working with gate array technologies:

- Define the basic sites for the core and pad in the same way you would for

standard cell technologies.

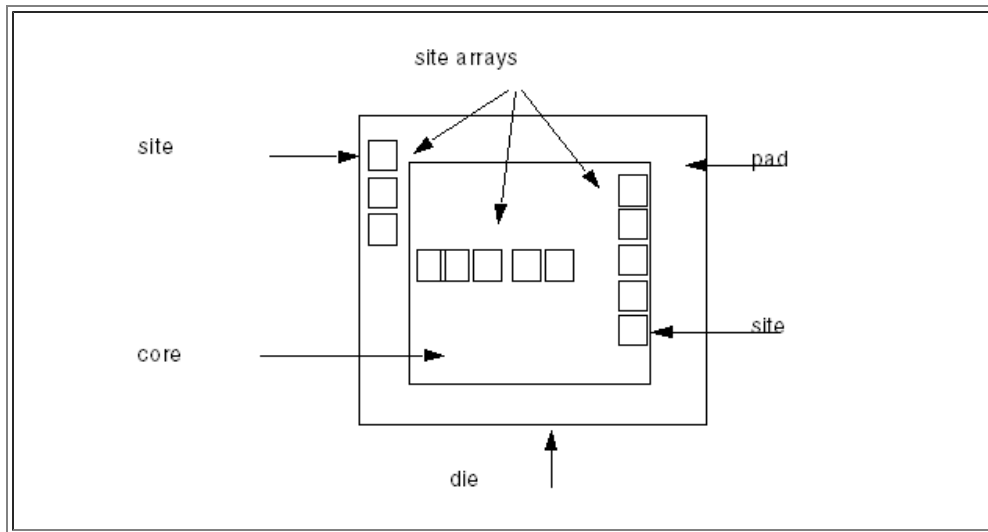
- Use the `array` group to define arrays for the site, the floorplan, and the detail routing grid descriptions. You define the `array` group inside the `resource` group.

Defining the Floorplan Set

A floorplan is an array of sites that allow or disallow the placement of cells. You define a `floorplan` group or multiple `floorplan` groups inside an `array` group.

A floorplan without a name becomes the default floorplan. Subsequently, when no floorplan is specified, the default floorplan is used. [Figure 10-3](#) shows the elements of a floorplan on a die.

Figure 10-3 Elements of a Floorplan



Instantiating the Site Array

You instantiate arrays by using the `site_array` group inside the `floorplan` group. The orientation, availability for placement, origin, and the array pattern (that is, the number of rows and columns, as well as the row spacing and column spacing) are all defined in the `site_array` group.

Syntax

```
site(site_name_id)
{
  stateless : pad | core;
  symmetry : x | y | r | xy | rxy ;
  size(x_size_float, y_size_float)
;
}
array(array_name_id)
{
  ...
}
```

```

floorplan(floorplan_nameid)
{
  site_array(site_nameid)
  {
    orientation : N | E | W | S | FN | FE | FW | FS ;
    placement_rule : regular | can_place |
                  cannot_place ;
    origin(xfloat,
yfloat) ;
    iterate(num_xint, num_yint,
           space_xfloat, space_yfloat)
  }
}

```

[Table 10-3](#) shows the values and description for each of the attributes you use to define placement sites.

Table 10-3 Placement Site Definitions

Attribute	Valid values	Description
site_class	pad	I/O cell placement site
	core	Core cell placement site
symmetry	x, y, r, xy, rxy	Symmetry
	width, height	Site dimensions
orientation	N, E, W, S, FN, FE, FW, FS	Orientation
placement_rule	can_place	Site array available for floorplan
	cannot_place	Site array not available for floorplan
	regular	Placement grid
origin	x, y	Coordinate of the origin of site array
iterate	num_x	Number of columns in the site array
	num_y	Number of rows in the site array
	space_x	Column spacing (float)
	space_y	Row spacing (float)

Example

```
site(core) {
    site_class : core ;
    symmetry : x ;
    size (1, 10) ;
}
array(samplearray) {
    ...
    floorplan() { /* default floorplan */
        site_array(core) { /* Core cells placement */

            orientation : N ;
            placement_rule : can_place; /* available for placement */

            origin(0, 0) ;
            iterate(2, 4, 1.5, 0) ; /* site_array has 2 sites in x
*/
/*direction spaced 1.5 um apart, 4
*/
/*sites in y direction, spaced
*/
/*1.5 um apart */
        }
    }
}
```

Defining the Global Cell Grid

You define the global cell grid overlaying the array by using the `routing_grid` attribute inside the array group. The router uses this grid during global routing.

Syntax

```
array(array_name_id)
{
    routing_grid() {
        routing_direction : horizontal | vertical ;
        grid_pattern (startfloat, gridsinteger, spacingfloat) ;
    }
}
```

where

start

A floating-point number representing the starting-point coordinate

grids

An integer number representing the number of grids in the x and y directions

spacing

A floating-point number representing the spacing between the grids in the x and y directions

Example

```
array(samplearray) {
    routing_grid(0, 3, 1, 0, 3, 1) ;
    routing_direction(horizontal) ;
    grid_pattern(, ) ;
    ...
}
```

Defining the Detail Routing Grid

You specify the routing track grid for the gate array by using the `tracks` group inside the `array` group. In the `tracks` group, you specify the track pattern, the track direction, and the layers available for the associated tracks.

Note:

Define one `tracks` group for horizontal routing and one for vertical routing.

Syntax

```
array(array_name_id)
{
    ...
    tracks() {
        layers : "layer_1", "layer_2",
        ..."layer_n";
        routing_direction : vertical | horizontal ;
        track_pattern(start_point_float, num_of_tracks_float,
            space_between_tracks_float)
    ;
    }
}
```

where

start_point

A floating-point number representing the starting-point coordinate

num_of_tracks

A floating-point number representing the number of parallel tracks

space_between

A floating-point number representing the spacing between the tracks

Example

```
phys_library(example) {
    ...
    resource(array) { /* gate array technology */

        ...
        array(samplearray) {
            ...
            tracks() {
                layers : "m1", "m3" ;
                routing_direction : horizontal ;

                track_pattern(1, 50, 10) ;
                /* 50 horizontal tracks 10 microns apart */

            } /* end tracks */
            tracks() {
                layers : "m1", "m2" ;
                routing_direction : vertical ;

                track_pattern(1, 50, 10) ;
                /* 50 vertical tracks 10 microns apart */

            } /* end tracks */
        } /* end array */
    } /* end resource */
    ...
} /* end phys_library */
```

11. Defining the Design Rules

Specify design rules for the technology, such as minimum spacing and width, by using the `topological_design_rules` group.

This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Defining Minimum Via Spacing Rules in the Same Net](#)
- [Defining Same-Net Minimum Wire Spacing](#)
- [Defining Same-Net Stacking Rules](#)
- [Defining Nondefault Rules for Wiring](#)
- [Defining Rules for Selecting Vias for Special Wiring](#)
- [Defining Rules for Generating Vias for Special Wiring](#)
- [Defining the Generated Via Size](#)

11.1 Defining the Design Rules

The following sections describe how you define the design rules for physical libraries.

11.1.1 Defining Minimum Via Spacing Rules in the Same Net

The design rule checker requires the value for the edge-to-edge minimum spacing between vias.

Use the `contact_min_spacing` attribute for defining the minimum spacing between contacts in different nets. This attribute requires the name of the two contact layers and the spacing distance. To specify the minimum spacing between the same contact, use the same contact layer name twice.

Syntax

```
topological_design_rules() {  
    contact_min_spacing(contact_layer1_id,  
        contact_layer2_id, spacing_float)  
;  
    ... }  
}
```

Example

```
phys_library(sample) {  
    ...  
    topological_design_rules() {  
        ...  
        contact_min_spacing(cut01, cut12, 1) ;  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

```
    ...  
}
```

11.1.2 Defining Same-Net Minimum Wire Spacing

You can specify the minimum wire spacing between contacts in the same net by using the `same_net_min_spacing` attribute. To specify the minimum spacing between the same contact, use the same contact layer name twice.

Syntax

```
topological_design_rules() {  
    same_net_min_spacing(layer1_nameid, layer2_nameid,  
        spacingfloat,  
    ...);  
    ...  
}
```

Example

```
topological_design_rules() {  
    same_net_min_spacing(m1, m1, 0.4, ...) ;  
    same_net_min_spacing(m3, m3, 0.4, ...) ;  
    ...  
}
```

11.1.3 Defining Same-Net Stacking Rules

You can specify stacking for vias that share the same routing layer by setting the `is_stack` parameter in the `same_net_min_spacing` attribute to `TRUE`.

Syntax

```
topological_design_rules() {  
    same_net_min_spacing(layer1_nameid, layer2_nameid,  
        spacingfloat,  
    is_stackBoolean);  
    ...  
}
```

Example

```
topological_design_rules() {  
    same_net_min_spacing(m1, m1, 0.4, TRUE) ;  
    same_net_min_spacing(m3, m3, 0.4, FALSE) ;  
    ...  
}
```

11.1.4 Defining Nondefault Rules for Wiring

For all regular wiring, you define the default rules by using either the `layer` group or the `via` group in the `resource` group. You define the nondefault rules for wiring by using the `wire_rule` group in the `topological_design_rules` group as shown here:

```
phys_library(sample) {
    ...
    topological_design_rules() {
        ...
        wire_rule(rule1) {
            via(non_default_via12) {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}
```

You define the width, different net minimum spacing (edge-to-edge), and the wire extension by using the `layer_rule` group. The width and spacing specifications override the default values defined in the `routing_layer` group. If you do not specify the extension, the tool applies a default extension. The value of the default extension is half the routing width for the layer used.

```
phys_library(sample) {
    ...
    topological_design_rules() {
        ...
        layer_rule(metal1) {
            /* non default regular wiring rules for metal1 */

            wire_width : 0.4 ; /* default is 0.32 */
            min_spacing : 0.4 ; /* default is 0.32 */
            wire_extension : 0.25 ; /* default is 0.4/2 */

        } /*end layer rule */
    }
}
```

Use the `via` group in the `wire_rule` group to define nondefault vias associated with the routing layers. This `via` group is similar to the `via` group in the `resource` group except that the `is_default` attribute is absent. For regular wiring, the tool uses the `via` defined in the `wire_rule` group instead of the default `via` defined in the `resource` group whenever the wire width matches the width specified in the `via` or `layer` group.

```
phys_library(sample) {
    ...
    topological_design_rules() {
        ...
    }
}
```



```

        wire_rule(rule1) {
            via(non_default_via12) {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

For nondefault regular wiring, you define the via and routing layer spacing and the stacking rules by using the `same_net_min_spacing` attribute inside the `wire_rule` group. This attribute overrides the default values in the `same_net_min_spacing` attribute inside the `topological_design_rules` group.

```

phys_library(sample) {
    ...
    topological_design_rules() {
        ...
        wire_rule(rule1) {
            same_net_min_spacing(m1, m1, 0.32, FALSE) ;
            same_net_min_spacing(m2, m2, 0.4, FALSE) ;
            same_net_min_spacing(cut01, cut01, 0.36, FALSE) ;

            same_net_min_spacing(cut12, cut12, 0.36, FALSE) ;

        } /* end wire rule */
    } /* end design rules */
} /* end phys_library */

```

Use the `vias` attribute in the `via_rule` group to specify a list of vias. The router selects the first via that satisfies the design rules.

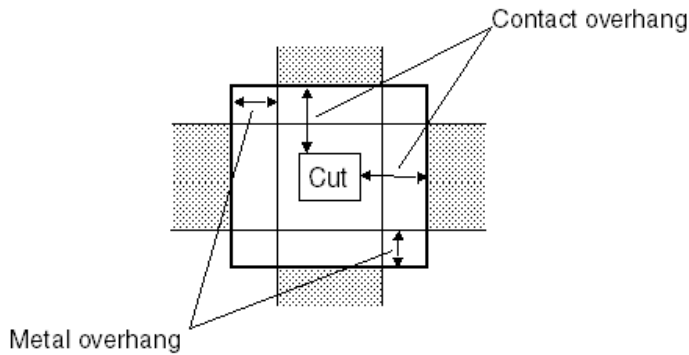
11.1.5 Defining Rules for Selecting Vias for Special Wiring

The `via_rule` group inside a `topological_design_rules` group defines vias used at the intersection of special wires in the same net.

You can specify multiple `via_rule` groups for a given layer pair. The rule that governs the selection of a `via_rule` group is the routing wire width range. When the width of a special wire is within the range specified, then the via rule is selected. When no via rule applies, then the default via rule is applied. The default via rule is created when you omit the routing wire width specification. You also specify contact overhang and metal overhang, in both the horizontal and vertical directions, in the `via_rule` group. Contact overhang is the minimum amount of metal (wire) between the contact and the via edge. Metal overhang is at the edges of wire intersection. [Figure 11-1](#) shows these relationships.

Figure 11-1 Contact Overhang and Metal Overhang





Syntax

```

topological_design_rules() {
  ...
  via_rule(via_rule_name_id)
  {
    vias : list_of_vias_id ;
    routing_layer_rule(routing_layer_name_id)
    {
      /* one for each layer associated with the via; */
      /* normally 2. */
      routing_direction : value_enum ;
      /* direction of the overhang */
      contact_overhang : value_float ;
      metal_overhang : value_float ;
      min_wire_width : value_float ;
      max_wire_width : value_float ;
    }
  }
}

```

Example

```

topological_design_rules() {
  ...
  via_rule(default_rule_for_m1_m2) {
    /* default via rule for the metal1, metal2 pair;
  */
    /* no wire width range is specified */
    vias : "via12, via23" ;
    /* select via12 or via23 - whichever satisfies
  */

    /* the design rules*/
    routing_layer_rule(metal1) {
      routing_direction : horizontal ;
      contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
      metal_overhang : 0 ;
    }
  }
}

```

```

    }
    routing_layer_rule(metal2) {
        routing_direction : vertical ;
        contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
        metal_overhang : 0 ;
    }
}
...
}

```

11.1.6 Defining Rules for Generating Vias for Special Wiring

Use the `via_rule_generate` group to specify the rules for generating vias used at the intersection of special wires in the same net. You define this group inside the `topological_design_rules` group. You can specify multiple `via_rule_generate` groups for a given layer pair.

The rule that governs the selection of a `via_rule` group is the routing wire width range. When the width of the special wire is within the range specified, then the via rule is selected. When no via rule applies, then the default via rule is applied. The default via rule is created when you omit the routing wire width specification. Use the `vias` attribute in the `via_rule_generate` group to specify a list of vias. The router selects the first via that satisfies DRC. You also specify contact overhang and metal overhang, in both the horizontal and vertical directions, in the `via_rule_generate` group. Contact overhang is the minimum amount of metal (wire) between the contact and the via edge. Metal overhang is at the edges of wire intersection.

You specify the contact layer geometry generation formula in the `contact_formula` group inside the `via_rule_generate` group. The number of contact cuts in the generated array is determined by the contact spacing, contact-cut geometry, and the overhang (both contact and metal).

Syntax

```

topological_design_rules() {
    ...
    via_rule_generate(via_rule_name_id)
    {
        routing_layer_formula(routing_layer_name_id)
        {
            /* one for each layer associated with the via */
            /* normally 2 */
            routing_direction : value_enum ;
            /* direction of the overhang */
            contact_overhang : value_float ;
            metal_overhang : value_float ;

            min_wire_width : value_float ;

            max_wire_width : value_float ;
        }
    }
}

```

```

    contact_formula(contact_layer_name)
{
    rectangle(x1_float, y1_float, x2_float, y2_float);
    /* specify more than 1 rectangle for */
    /* rectilinear vias */
    contact_spacing(x_spacing_float, y_spacing_float)
    resistance : value_float    }
}

```

Example

```

phys_library(sample) {
    ...
    resource(std_cell) { /* standard cell technology */

        ...
    } /* end resource */
    topological_design_rules() { /* design rules */

        same_net_min_spacing(m1, m1, 0.32, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 metall layers in the same net */

        same_net_min_spacing(m2, m2, 0.4, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 metal2 layers in the same net */

        same_net_min_spacing(m3, m3, 0.4, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 metal3 layers in the same net */

        same_net_min_spacing(cut01, cut01, 0.36, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 contact cut01 layers in the same net */

        same_net_min_spacing(cut12, cut12, 0.36, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 contact cut12 layers in the same net */

        same_net_min_spacing(cut23, cut23, 0.36, FALSE) ;

        /* minimum spacing required between 2 contact cut23 layers in the same net */

        /* via generation rules */
        via_rule_generate(default_rule_for_m1_m2) {

            routing_layer_formula(metal1) {
                routing_direction : horizontal ;
                contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
                metal_overhang : 0.0 ;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

routing_layer_rule(metal2) {
    routing_direction : vertical ;
    contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
    metal_overhang : 0 ;
}
contact_formula(cut12) { /* rule for generating contact cut array */

    rectangle(-0.2, -
0.2, 0.2, 0.2) ; /* cut shape */
    contact_spacing(0.8, 0.8) ; /*
center-to-center spacing */
    resistance : 1.0 ; /* cut resistance */

}
} /* end via_rule_generate */
via_rule_generate(default_rule_for_m2_m3) {

routing_layer_formula(metal2) {
    routing_direction : vertical ;
    contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
    metal_overhang : 0.0 ;
}
routing_layer_rule(metal3) {
    routing_direction : horizontal ;
    contact_overhang : 0.1 ;
    metal_overhang : 0 ;
}
contact_formula(cut23) { /* rule for generating contact cut array */

    rectangle(-0.2, -
0.2, 0.2, 0.2) ; /* cut shape */
    contact_spacing(0.8, 0.8) ; /*
center-to-center spacing */
    resistance : 1.0 ; /* cut resistance */

}
} /* end via_rule_generate */
} /* end design rules */
macro(and2) {
    ...
} /* end macro */
} /* end phys_library */

```

11.1.7 Defining the Generated Via Size

Generated vias are a multiple of the minimum feature size. The lithographic grid determines the minimum feature size for the technology.

Syntax

```
min_generated_via_size(x_sizefloat, y_sizefloat)  
;
```

A. Parasitic RC Estimation in the Physical Library

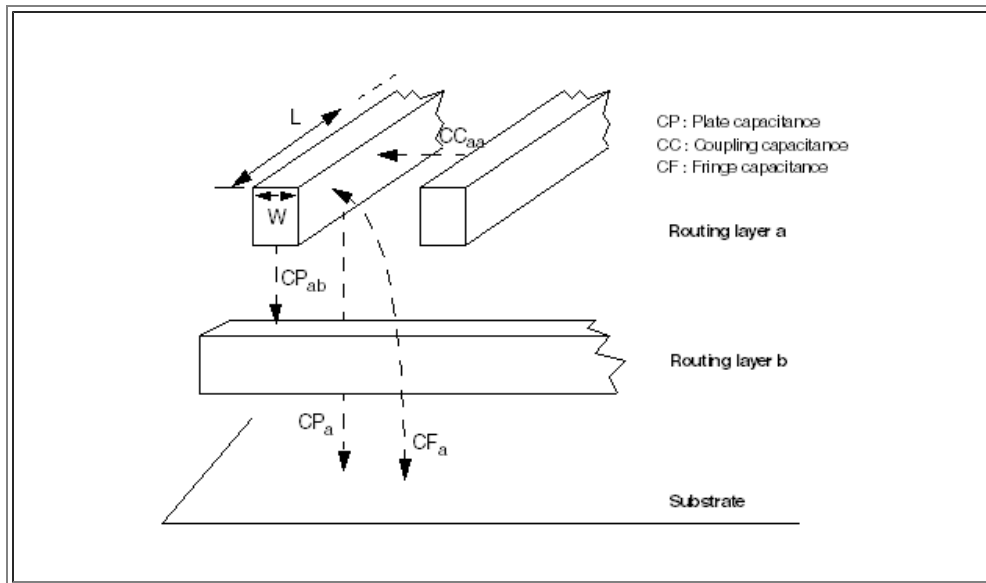
This chapter includes the following sections:

- [Modeling Parasitic RC Estimation](#)
- [Variables Used in Parasitic RC Estimation](#)
- [Equations for Parasitic RC Estimation](#)
- [.plib Format](#)

A.1 Modeling Parasitic RC Estimation

[Figure A-1](#) provides an overview of the measures used in the parasitic RC estimation model.

Figure A-1 Parasitic RC Estimation Model



The following sections provide information about the variables and equations you use to model parasitic RC estimation.

A.1.1 Variables Used in Parasitic RC Estimation

The following sections list and describe the routing layer and routing wire variables you need to define in the RC estimation model.

Variables for Routing Layers

Define the following set of variables for each `routing_layer` group in your physical

library.

Variable	Description
res_per_sq	Resistance per square of a res_per_sq routing layer.
cap_per_sq	Substrate capacitance per cap_per_sq square of a poly or metal layer (CP layer).
coupling_cap	Coupling capacitance per unit length between parallel wires on the same layer (CC layer).
fringe_cap	Fringe (sidewall) capacitance per unit length of a routing layer (CF layer).
edgecapacitance	Total fringe capacitance per unit length of routing layer. Specifies capacitance due to fringe, overlapping, and coupling effect.
inductance_per_dist	Inductance per unit length of a routing layer.
shrinkage	Distance that wires on the layer shrinks or expands on each side from the design to the fabricated chip. Note that negative numbers indicate expansion and positive number indicate shrinkage.
default_routing_width	Default routing width for wires on the layer.
height	Distance from the top of the substrate to the bottom of the routing layer.
thickness	Thickness of the routing layer.
plate_cap	Capacitance per unit area when the first layer overlaps the second layer. This function specifies an array of values indexed by routing layer order (CP layer, layer).

Variables for Estimated Routing Wire Model

Define the following set of variables for each `routing_wire_model` group in your physical library. Each `routing_wire_model` group represents a statistics-based design-specific estimation of interconnect topology.

overlap_wire_ratio

Percentage of the wiring on the first layer that overlaps the second layer. This function specifies all `overlap_wire_ratio` values in an $n*(n-1)$ sized array, where n is the number of routing layers. For example, the `overlap_wire_ratio` values for the first routing layer (routing layer 1) are specified in `overlap_wire_ratio[0]` to `overlap_wire_ratio[n-2]`. The values for routing layer 2 are specified in `overlap_wire_ratio[n-1]` to `overlap_wire_ratio[2(n-1)]`.

adjacent_wire_ratio

Percentage of wiring on the layer that runs adjacent to and has minimum spacing from wiring on the same layer. This function specifies percentage values of adjacent wiring for all routing layers. For example, two parallel

adjacent wires with the same length would have an adjacent_wire_ratio of 50 percent.

wire_ratio_x

Percentage of total wiring in the horizontal direction that you estimate to be on each layer. The function carries an array of floating-point numbers, following the order of routing layers. That is, there are three floating-point numbers in the array if there are three routing layers. These numbers should add up to 1.00.

wire_ratio_y

Percentage of total wiring in the vertical direction that you estimate to be on each layer. The function carries an array of floating-point numbers, following the order of routing layers. That is, there are three floating point numbers in the array if there are three routing layers. And these numbers should add up to 1.00.

wire_length_x, wire_length_y

Estimated wire lengths in horizontal and vertical direction for a net.

A.1.2 Equations for Parasitic RC Estimation

Parasitic calculation is based on your estimates of routing topology prior to detail routing. The following sections describe how to determine those estimates.

Capacitance per Unit Length for a Layer

Use the following equations to estimate capacitance per unit length for a given layer.

$$\text{cap_per_dist}_{\text{layer}} = W * \text{cap_per_area}_{\text{layer}} + \text{fringe_cap}_{\text{layer}} + \text{coupling_cap_per_dist}_{\text{layer}}$$

where

$$W = (\text{default_wire_width} | \text{actual_wire_width}) - \text{shrinkage}$$

$$\text{cap_per_area}_{\text{layer}} = 1 - \text{SUM_overlap_wire_ratio_under}_{\text{layer}} * \text{cap_per_sq}_{\text{layer}} + \text{SUM}_{i=\text{other_layer}}[\text{overlap_wire_ratio}_{j,\text{layer}}] * \text{plate_cap}_{\text{layer},i}$$

where

$$\text{SUM_overlap_wire_ratio_under}_{\text{layer}} = \text{SUM}_{j=\text{layer_underneath}}[\text{overlap_wire_ratio}_{j,\text{layer}}]$$

Note:

This equation represents the sum of all the `overlap_wire_ratio` values between the current layer and each layer underneath the current layer.

```
coupling_cap_per_dist_layer =  
2 * adjacent_wire_ratio_layer * coupling_cap_layer
```

Resistance and Capacitance for Each Routing Direction

Use the following equations to estimate capacitance and resistance values based on orientational routing wire ratios.

```
capacitance_x = cap_per_dist_x * wire_length_x  
capacitance_y = cap_per_dist_y * wire_length_y
```

```
resistance_x = res_per_sq_x * wire_length_x / width_x  
resistance_y = res_per_sq_y * wire_length_y / width_y
```

where

```
cap_per_dist_x = SUM[wire_ratio_x_layer * cap_per_dist  
layer]  
cap_per_dist_y = SUM[wire_ratio_y_layer * cap_per_dist  
layer]
```

```
res_per_sq_x = SUM[ wire_ratio_x_layer * res_per_sq_layer  
]  
res_per_sq_y = SUM[ wire_ratio_y_layer * res_per_sq_layer  
]  
width_x = SUM[ wire_ratio_x_layer * W_layer ]  
width_y = SUM[ wire_ratio_y_layer * W_layer ]
```

A.1.3 .plib Format

To provide layer parasitics for RC estimation based on the equations shown in this section, define them in the following .plib format.

```
physical_library(name) {  
    ...  
    resistance_lut_template (template_name_id) {  
        variable_1: routing_width | routing_spacing ;  
    }  
}
```

```

variable_2: routing_width | routing_spacing ;
index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
}
resource(technology) {
  field_oxide_thickness : float ;
  field_oxide_permitivity : float ;
  ...
  routing_layer(layer_name_id) {
    cap_multiplier : float ;
    cap_per_sq : float ;
    coupling_cap : float ;
    default_routing_width : float ;
    edgcapacitance : float ;
    fringe_cap : float ;
    height : float ;
    inductance_per_dist : float ;
    min_area : float ;
    offset : float ;
    oxide_permittivity : float ;
    oxide_thickness : float ;
    pitch : float ;
    ranged_spacing(float, ..., float) ;
    res_per_sq : float ;
    routing_direction : vertical | horizontal ;
    shrinkage : float ;
    spacing : float ;
    thickness : float ;
    wire_extension : float ;
    lateral_oxide (float, float) ;
    resistance_table (template_name_id) {
      index_1 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
      index_2 ("float, float, float, ...") ;
      values ("float, float, float, ...") :
    }

  } /* end routing_layer */

plate_cap(value, value, value, value, value, ...) ;

/* capacitance between wires on lower and upper layer
*/
/* MUST BE DEFINED BEFORE ANY routing_wire_model GROUP DEFINITION
*/
/* AND AFTER ALL *_layer() DEFINITIONS */
routing_wire_model(name) {
  /* predefined routing wire ratio model for RC estimation
*/

```

```

overlap_wire_ratio(value, value, value, value, value, ...) ;

/* overlapping wiring percentage between wires on different layers.
*/
/* Value between 0 and 100.0 */
adjacent_wire_ratio(value, value, value, ...)
;
/* Adjacent wire percentage between wires on same layers.
*/
/* Value between 0.0 and 100.0 */
wire_ratio_x(value, value, value, ...) ;
/* x wiring percentage on each routing layer.
*/
/* Value between 0.0 and 100.0 */
wire_ratio_y(value, value, value, ...) ;
/* y wiring percentage on each routing layer.
*/
/* Value between 0.0 and 100.0 */
wire_length_x : float ;
/* estimated length for horizontal wire segment
*/
wire_length_y : float ;
/* estimated length for vertical wire segment
*/
}
}
topological_design_rules() {
...
default_via_generate() {
via_routing_layer () {
end_of_line_overhang : ;
overhang () :
}
via_contact_layer () {
end_of_line_overhang : ;
overhang () :
rectangle(float, float, float, float) ;
resistance : float ;
}
}
}
process_resource () {
process_routing_layer () {
res_per_sq : float;
cap_per_sq : float ;
coupling_cap : float ;
/* coupling effect between parallel wires on same layer
*/
fringe_cap : float ; /* sidewall capacitance per unit length
*/

```

```

        edgecapacitance: float ; /* lumped fringe capacitance
*/
        inductance_per_dist : float ;
        shrinkage : float ; /* delta width */
        default_routing_width : float; /* width */
        height : float ; /* height from substrate */
        thickness : float ; /* interconnect thickness
*/
        lateral_oxide_thickness : float ;
        oxide_thickness : float ;
    }
    process_via () {
        .resistance : float ;
    }
    process_array () {
        default_capacitance : float ;
    }
    process_wire_rule () {
        process_via () {
            resistance : float ;
        }
    }
}
macro() {
    ...
}
}

```

The .plib file that contains the wire_ratio model is as follows:

```

resource (technology) {
    routing_wire_model(name) {
        overlap_wire_ratio(value, value, value, ...);
        adjacent_wire_ratio(value, value, value, ...);
        wire_ratio_x(value, value, value, ...);
        wire_ratio_y(value, value, value, ...);
        wire_length_x : float;
        wire_length_y : float;
    }
}
}

```

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1. Technology Library Group Description and Syntax

This chapter describes the role of the `library` group in defining a CMOS technology library.

The information in this chapter includes a description and syntax example for all the attributes and groups that you can define within the `library` group, with the following exceptions:

- The `cell` and `model` groups, which are described in [Chapter 2. “cell and model Group Description and Syntax.”](#)
- The `pin` group, which is described in [“pin Group Description and Syntax”](#).

This chapter provides information about the `library` group in the following sections:

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1.1 Library-Level Attributes and Values

The `library` group is the superior group in a technology library. The `library` group contains all the groups and attributes that define the technology library.

[Example 1-1](#) lists alphabetically a sampling of the attributes, groups, and values that you can define within a technology library. [Example 1-2](#) shows the general syntax and the functional order in which the attributes usually appear within a `library` group.

Example 1-1 Attributes, Groups, and Values in a Technology Library

```
library (name_string) {
    ... library description ...
}

/* Library Description: Simple Attributes */

bus_naming_style : "string" ;
comment : "string" ;
```



```

current_unit : value_enum ;
date : "date" ;
delay_model : value_enum ;
em_temp_degradation_factor : float ;
fpga_technology : "fpga_technology_name_string " ;
in_place_swap_mode : match_footprint | no_swapping ;
input_threshold_pct_fall : trip_point value ;
input_threshold_pct_rise : trip_point value ;
is_soi : true | false ;
leakage_power_unit : value_enum ;
nom_calc_mode : name_id ;
nom_process : float ;
nom_temperature : float ;
nom_voltage : float ;
output_threshold_pct_fall : trip_point value ;
output_threshold_pct_rise : trip_point value ;
piece_type : value_enum ;
power_model : table_lookup | polynomial ;
preferred_output_pad_slew_rate_control : value_enum ;
preferred_input_pad_voltage : string ;
preferred_output_pad_voltage : string ;
pulling_resistance_unit : 1ohm | 10ohm | 100ohm | 1kohm ;
revision : float | string ;
simulation : true | false ;
slew_derate_from_library : derate value ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : trip_point value ;
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : trip_point value ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : trip_point value ;
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : trip_point value ;
time_unit : 1ps | 10ps | 100ps | 1ns ;
voltage_unit : 1mV | 10mV | 100mV | 1V ;

```

```

/* Library Description: Default Attributes */

```

```

default_cell_leakage_power : float ;
default_connection_class : name | name_list_string ;
default_fall_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model
only*/
default_fall_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model
only*/
default_fanout_load : float ;
default_inout_pin_cap : float ;
default_inout_pin_fall_res : float ;
default_inout_pin_rise_res : float ;
default_input_pin_cap : float ;

```

```

default_intrinsic_fall : float ;
default_intrinsic_rise : float ;
default_leakage_power_density : float ;
default_max_capacitance : float ;
default_max_fanout : float ;
default_max_transition : float ;
default_max_utilization: float ;
default_min_porosity : float ;
default_operating_conditions : name_string ;
default_output_pin_cap : float ;
default_output_pin_fall_res : float ;
default_output_pin_rise_res : float ;
default_rise_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
default_rise_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
default_slope_fall : float ;
default_slope_rise : float ;
default_wire_load : name_string ;
default_wire_load_area : float ;
default_wire_load_capacitance : float ;
default_wire_load_mode : top | segmented | enclosed ;
default_wire_load_resistance : float ;
default_wire_load_selection : name_string ;

```

```

/* Library Description: Scaling Attributes */

```

```

k_process_cell_fall : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_process_cell_leakage_power : float ;
k_process_cell_rise : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_process_drive_current : float ;
k_process_drive_fall : float ;
k_process_drive_rise : float ;
k_process_fall_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_process_fall_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_process_fall_propagation : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_process_fall_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_process_hold_fall : float ;
k_process_hold_rise : float ;
k_process_internal_power : float ;
k_process_intrinsic_fall : float ;
k_process_intrinsic_rise : float ;
k_process_min_period : float ;
k_process_min_pulse_width_high : float ;

```

```

k_process_min_pulse_width_low : float ;
k_process_nochange_fall : float ; /* nonnegative value */
k_process_nochange_rise : float ; /* nonnegative value */
k_process_pin_cap : float ;
k_process_recovery_fall : float ;
k_process_recovery_rise : float ;
k_process_removal_fall : float ;
k_process_removal_rise : float ;
k_process_rise_delay_intercept :
float ; /* piecewise model only */
k_process_rise_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_process_rise_propagation : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_process_rise_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_process_setup_fall : float ;
k_process_setup_rise : float ;
k_process_skew_fall : float ;
k_process_skew_rise : float ;
k_process_slope_fall : float ;
k_process_slope_rise : float ;
k_process_wire_cap : float ;
k_process_wire_res : float ;
k_temp_cell_rise : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_temp_cell_fall : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_temp_cell_leakage_power : float ;
k_temp_drive_current : float ;
k_temp_drive_fall : float ;
k_temp_drive_rise : float ;
k_temp_fall_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_temp_fall_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_temp_fall_propagation : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_temp_fall_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_temp_hold_fall : float ;
k_temp_hold_rise : float ;
k_temp_internal_power : float ;
k_temp_intrinsic_fall : float ;
k_temp_intrinsic_rise : float ;
k_temp_min_period : float ;
k_temp_min_pulse_width_high : float ;
k_temp_min_pulse_width_low : float ;
k_temp_nochange_fall : float ;
k_temp_nochange_rise : float ;
k_temp_pin_cap : float ;
k_temp_recovery_fall : float ;

```

```

k_temp_recovery_rise : float ;
k_temp_removal_fall : float ;
k_temp_removal_rise : float ;
k_temp_rise_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only
*
k_temp_rise_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_temp_rise_propagation : float /* nonlinear model only */
k_temp_rise_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_temp_rise_wire_resistance : float ;
k_temp_setup_fall : float ;
k_temp_rise_wire_resistance : float ;
k_temp_setup_rise : float ;
k_temp_skew_fall : float ;
k_temp_skew_rise : float ;
k_temp_slope_fall : float ;
k_temp_slope_rise : float ;
k_temp_wire_cap : float ;
k_temp_wire_res : float ;
k_volt_cell_fall : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_volt_cell_leakage_power : float ;
k_volt_cell_rise : float ; /* nonlinear model only */
k_volt_drive_current : float ;
k_volt_drive_fall: float ;
k_volt_drive_rise : float ;
k_volt_fall_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_volt_fall_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_volt_fall_propagation : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_volt_fall_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_volt_hold_fall : float ;
k_volt_hold_rise : float ;
k_volt_internal_power : float ;
k_volt_intrinsic_fall : float ;
k_volt_intrinsic_rise : float ;
k_volt_min_period : float ;
k_volt_min_pulse_width_high : float ;
k_volt_min_pulse_width_low : float ;
k_volt_nochange_fall : float ;
k_volt_nochange_rise : float ;
k_volt_pin_cap : float ;
k_volt_recovery_fall : float ;
k_volt_recovery_rise : float ;
k_volt_removal_fall : float ;
k_volt_removal_rise : float ;
k_volt_rise_delay_intercept : float ; /* piecewise model only

```

```

*/
k_volt_rise_pin_resistance : float ; /* piecewise model only
*/
k_volt_rise_propagation : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_volt_rise_transition : float ; /* nonlinear model only
*/
k_volt_setup_fall : float ;
k_volt_setup_rise : float ;
k_volt_skew_fall : float ;
k_volt_skew_rise : float ;
k_volt_slope_fall : float ;
k_volt_slope_rise : float ;
k_volt_wire_cap : float ;
k_volt_wire_res : float ;

/* Library Description: Complex Attributes */

capacitive_load_unit (value, unit) ;
default_part (default_part_name_id, speed_grade_id) ;
define (name, object, type) ; /*user-
defined attributes only */
define_cell_area (area_name, resource_type) ;
define_group (attribute_name_string,
group_name_string, attribute_type_string ;
library_features (value_1, value_2, ..., value_n) ;
piece_define ("range0 [range1 range2...]" ) ;
routing_layers ("routing_layer_1_name", ..., "routing_layer_n_name")
;
technology ("name") ;

/* Library Description: Group Statements*/

cell (name) { }
dc_current_template (template_name_id) {
em_lut_template (name) { }
fall_net_delay : name ;
fall_transition_degradation (name) { }
faults_lut_template ( name ) { }
input_voltage (name) { }
iv_lut_template(name_string) { }
lu_table_template (name) { }
noise_lut_template (name_string) { }
operating_conditions (name) { }
output_voltage (name) { }
part (name){ }

```

```

poly_template (template_name_id ) { }
power_lut_template (template_name_id ) { }
power_poly_template () { }
power_supply () { }
propagation_lut_template (name_string) { }
rise_net_delay : name ;
rise_transition_degradation () { }
scaled_cell (name, op_conds) { }
scaling_factors (name) { }
timing (name | name_list) { }
timing_range (name) { }
type (name) { }
wire_load (name) { }
wire_load_selection (name) { }
wire_load_table (name) { }

```

1.2 General Syntax

[Example 1-2](#) shows the general syntax of the `library` group. The first line names the library. Subsequent lines show simple and complex attributes that apply to the library as a whole, such as `technology`, `date`, and `revision`.

The example indicates where you place the default and scaling factors in library syntax. Group statements complete the library syntax.

Every cell in the library has a separate cell description.

Note:

[Example 1-2](#) does not contain every attribute or group listed in [Example 1-1](#).

Example 1-2 General Syntax of a Technology Library

```

library (name_string) {

    /* Library-Level Simple and Complex Attributes */

    technology (name_enum ) ;
    delay_model : "model" ;
    bus_naming_style : "string" ;
    date : "date" ;
    comment : "string" ;
    time_unit : "unit" ;
    voltage_unit : "unit" ;
    leakage_power_unit : "unit" ;
    current_unit : "unit" ;
    pulling_resistance_unit : "unit" ;

```

```

capacitive_load_unit (value, unit) ;
piece_type : type ;
piece_define ( "range0 [range1 range2 ...]" ) ;
define_cell_area (area_name, resource_type) ;
revision : float | string ;
in_place_swap_mode : match_footprint | no_swapping ;
simulation : true | false ;

/* Default Attributes and Values (not shown here)*/

/* Scaling Factors Attributes and Values (not shown
here)*/

/* Library-Level Group Statements */

operating_conditions (name_string) {
    ... operating conditions description ...
}
timing_range (name_string) {
    ... timing range description ...
}
wire_load (name_string) {
    ... wire load description ...
}
wire_load_selection (name_string) {
    ... wire load selection criteria...
}
poly_template (name_string) {
    ... polynomial template information...
}
power_lut_template (name_string) {
    ... power lookup table template information...
}
power_poly_template (name_string) {
    ... power polynomial template information...
}
power_supply () {
    ... power supply information...
}

/* Cell definitions */
cell (name_string2) {
    ... cell description ...
}
scaled_cell (name_string1) {
    ... scaled cell description ...
}

```

```

...

type (name_string) {
    ... type description ...
}
input_voltage (name_string) {
    ... input voltage information ...
}
output_voltage (name_string) {
    ... output voltage information ...
}
}

```

1.3 Reducing Library File Size

Large library files can compromise disk capacity and memory resources. To reduce file size and improve file management, the syntax allows you to combine multiple source files by referencing the files from within the source file containing the `library` group description.

Use the `include_file` statement to reference information in another file for inclusion during library compilation. Be sure the directory of the included file is defined in your search path—the `include` attribute takes only the file name as its value; a path is not allowed.

Syntax

```
include_file (file_name_id) ;
```

Example

```
cell( ) {
    area : 0.1 ;
    ...
    include_file (opc_file) ;
    ...
}

```

where `opc_file` contains the `operating_conditions` group statements.

Limitations

The `include_file` attribute has these requirements:

- Recursive `include_file` statements are not allowed; that is, the source files that you include cannot also contain `include file`

statements.

- If the included file is not in the current directory, then the location of the included file must be defined in your search path.
- Multiple file names are not allowed in an `include_file` statement. However, there is no limit to the number of `include_file` statements you can have in your main source file.
- An included file cannot substitute for a value statement. For example, the following is not allowed:

```
cell ( ) {
    area : 0.1 ;
    ...
    pin_equal : include_file( source_file_id )
;
}
```

- The `include_file` statement cannot substitute or cross the group boundary. For example, the following is not allowed:

```
cell ( A ) include ( source_file_id )
```

where *source_file_id* is the following:

```
{
    attribute : value ;
    attribute : value ;
    ...
}
```

1.4 library Group Name

The first line of the `library` group statement names the library. It is the first executable line in your library.

1.4.1 Syntax

```
library(name_string)
{
    ... library description ...
}
```

1.4.2 Example

A library called `example1` looks like this:

```
library (example1) {
    ... library description...
```

```
}
```

1.5 library Group Example

[Example 1-3](#) shows a portion of a library group for a CMOS library. It contains buses and uses a nonlinear timing delay model.

Example 1-3 CMOS library Group

```
library (example1) {  
    technology (cmos) ;  
    delay_model : table_lookup ;  
    date : "December 12, 2003" ;  
    comment : "Copyright 2003, General Silicon, Inc." ;  
    revision : 2003.12 ;  
    bus_naming_style : "Bus%sPin%d" ;  
    ...  
}
```

1.6 Simple Attributes

Following are descriptions of the `library` group simple attributes. Similar sections describing the default, complex, and group statement attributes complete this chapter.

1.6.1 `bus_naming_style` Simple Attribute

The `bus_naming_style` attribute defines the naming convention for buses in the library.

Syntax

```
bus_naming_style : "string";
```

string

Can contain alphanumeric characters, braces, underscores, dashes, or parentheses. Must contain one `%s` symbol and one `%d` symbol. The `%s` and `%d` symbols can appear in any order, but at least one nonnumeric character must separate them.

The colon character is not allowed in a `bus_naming_style` attribute value because the colon is used to denote a range of bus members.

You construct a complete bused-pin name by using the name of the owning bus and the member number. The owning bus name is substituted for the `%s`, and the member number replaces the `%d`.

If you do not define the `bus_naming_style` attribute, Liberty applies the default naming convention, as shown in the following example.

Example

```
bus_naming_style : "%s[%d]" ;
```

When the default naming convention is applied, member 1 of bus A becomes A[1].

The next example shows how you can use the `bus_naming_style` attribute to apply a different naming convention.

Example

```
bus_naming_style : "Bus%sPin%d" ;
```

When this naming convention is applied, bus member 1 of bus A becomes BusAPin1, bus member 2 becomes BusAPin2, and so on.

1.6.2 *comment Simple Attribute*

You use the `comment` attribute to include copyright or other product information in the library report. You can include only one comment line in a library.

Syntax

```
comment : "string" ;
```

string

You can use an unlimited number of characters in the string, but all the characters must be enclosed within quotation marks.

1.6.3 *current_unit Simple Attribute*

The `current_unit` attribute specifies the unit for the drive current generated by output pads. The `pulling_current` attribute for a pull-up or pull-down transistor also represents its values in the specified unit.

Syntax

```
current_unit : valueenum ;
```

value

The valid values are 1uA, 10uA, 100uA, 1mA, 10mA, 100mA, and 1A. No default exists for the `current_unit` attribute if the attribute is omitted.

Example

```
current_unit : 100uA ;
```

1.6.4 *date Simple Attribute*

The optional `date` attribute identifies the date your library was created.

Syntax

```
date : "date" ;
```

date

You can use any format within the quotation marks to report the date.

Example

```
date : "12 December 2003" ;
```

1.6.5 *default_fpga_isd Simple Attribute*

If you define more than one `fpga_isd` group, you must use the `default_fpga_isd` attribute to specify which of those `fpga_isd` groups is the default.

Syntax

```
default_fpga_isd : fpga_isd_nameid ;
```

fpga_isd_name

The name of the default `fpga_isd` group.

Example

```
default_fpga_isd : lib_isd ;
```

1.6.6 *default_threshold_voltage_group Simple Attribute*

The optional `default_threshold_voltage_group` attribute specifies a cell's category based on its threshold voltage characteristics.

Syntax

```
default_threshold_voltage_group : group_nameid ;
```

group_name

A string value representing the name of the category.

Example

```
default_threshold_voltage_group : "high_vt_cell" ;
```

1.6.7 *delay_model Simple Attribute*

Use the `delay_model` attribute to specify which delay model to use in the delay calculations.

The `delay_model` attribute must be the first attribute in the library if a technology attribute is not present. Otherwise, it should follow the technology attribute.

Syntax

```
delay_model : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are `generic_cmos`, `table_lookup` (nonlinear delay model), `piecewise_cmos`, `dcm` (delay calculation module), and `polynomial` (scalable polynomial delay model).

Example

```
delay_model : table_lookup ;
```

1.6.8 *distance_unit and dist_conversion_factor Attributes*

The `distance_unit` attribute specifies the distance unit and the resolution, or accuracy, of the values in the `critical_area_table` table in the `critical_area_lut_template` group. The distance and area values are represented as floating-point numbers that are rounded in the `critical_area_table`. The distance values are rounded by the `dist_conversion_factor` and the area values are rounded by the `dist_conversion_factor` squared.

Syntax

```
distance_unit : enum (um, mm);  
dist_conversion_factor : integer;
```

Example

```
library(my_library) {  
  
    distance_unit : um;  
    dist_conversion_factor : 1000;  
    critical_area_lut_template (caa_template) {
```

```

    variable_1 : defect_size_diameter;
    index_1 ("0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30");
}

```

1.6.9 *critical_area_lut_template Group*

The `critical_area_lut_template` group is a critical area lookup table used only for critical area analysis modeling. The `defect_size_diameter` is the only valid value.

Syntax

```
critical_area_lut_template (template_name) {
```

Example

```

library(my_library) {

    distance_unit : um;
    dist_conversion_factor : 1000;
    critical_area_lut_template (caa_template) {
        variable_1 : defect_size_diameter;
        index_1 ("0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30");
    }
}

```

1.6.10 *device_layer, poly_layer, routing_layer, and cont_layer Groups*

Because yield calculation varies among different types of layers, Liberty syntax supports the following types of layers: device, poly, routing, and contact (via) layers. The `device_layer`, `poly_layer`, `routing_layer`, and `cont_layer` groups define layers that have critical area data modeled on them for cells in the library. The layer definition is specified at the library level. It is recommended that you declare the layers in order, from the bottom up. The layer names specified here must match the actual layer names in the corresponding physical libraries.

Syntax

```
device_layer(string) {} /* such as diffusion layer OD */
```

Example

```

library(my_library) {

    distance_unit : um;
    dist_conversion_factor : 1000;
    critical_area_lut_template (caa_template) {
        variable_1 : defect_size_diameter;
        index_1 ("0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.30");
    }

    device_layer(string) {} /* such as diffusion layer OD */
    poly_layer(string) {} /* such as poly layer */
    routing_layer(string) {} /* such as M1, M2, ... */
    cont_layer(string) {} /* via layer, such as VIA */
}

```

1.6.11 *em_temp_degradation_factor* Simple Attribute

The `em_temp_degradation_factor` attribute specifies the electromigration exponential degradation factor.

Syntax

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in centigrade units consistent with other temperature specifications throughout the library.

Example

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : 40.0 ;
```

1.6.12 *fpga_domain_style* Simple Attribute

Use the `fpga_domain_style` attribute to specify a value that you reference from a `calc_mode` attribute in a domain group in a polynomial table.

Syntax

```
fpga_domain_style : "nameid" ;
```

name

The style value.

Example

```
fpga_domain_style : "speed" ;
```

1.6.13 *fpga_technology* Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify your FPGA technology. This attribute is required when your library technology is FPGA.

Syntax

```
fpga_technology : "fpga_technology_namestring" ;
```

fpga_technology_name

The name of your FPGA technology.

Example

```
fpga_technology : "my_fpga_technology_1";
```

1.6.14 *in_place_swap_mode* Simple Attribute

In-place optimization occurs after placement and routing.

The `in_place_swap_mode` attribute specifies the criteria for cell swapping during in-place optimization. The basic criteria for cell swapping are:

- The cells must have the same function.
- The cells must have the same number of pins, and the pins must have the same pin names.

Syntax

```
in_place_swap_mode : match_footprint | no_swapping ;
```

match_footprint

Cells are swapped if they meet the criteria and have the same footprint attribute.

no_swapping

In-place optimization is disabled. The `cell_footprint` attribute is ignored. The `no_swapping` value is the default for CMOS libraries.

Example

```
in_place_swap_mode : match_footprint ;
```

1.6.15 *input_threshold_pct_fall* Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the default threshold point on an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. The default

is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : 60.0 ;
```

1.6.16 *input_threshold_pct_rise* Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the default threshold point on an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : 40.0 ;
```

1.6.17 *is_soi* Simple Attribute

The `is_soi` attribute specifies that all the cells in a library are silicon-on-insulator (SOI) cells. The default is `false`, which means that the library cells are bulk-CMOS cells.

If the `is_soi` attribute is specified at both the library and cell levels, the cell-level value overrides the library-level value.

Syntax

```
is_soi : true | false ;
```

Example

```
is_soi : true ;
```

For more information about the `is_soi` attribute and SOI cells, see the “Advanced Low-Power Modeling” chapter of the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

1.6.18 *leakage_power_unit* Simple Attribute

```
leakage power unit
```

The `leakage_power_unit` attribute is defined at the library level. It indicates the units of the power values in the library. If this attribute is missing, the leakage-power values are expressed without units.

Syntax

```
leakage_power_unit : value_enum ;
```

value

Valid values are 1mW, 100μW, 10μW, 1μW, 100nW, 10nW, 1nW, 100pW, 10pW, and 1pW.

Example

```
leakage_power_unit : "100μW" ;
```

1.6.19 *nom_calc_mode* Simple Attribute

This optional attribute defines a default process point, one of the nominal operating conditions for a library.

Syntax

```
nom_calc_mode : name_id ;
```

name

Represents the default process point.

Example

```
nom_calc_mode : nominal ;
```

1.6.20 *nom_process* Simple Attribute

The `nom_process` attribute defines process scaling, one of the nominal operating conditions for a library.

Syntax

```
nom_process : value_float ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the degree of process scaling in the cells of the library.

Example

```
nom_process : 1.0 ;
```

1.6.21 *nom_temperature Simple Attribute*

The `nom_temperature` attribute defines the temperature (in centigrade), one of the nominal operating conditions for a library.

Syntax

```
nom_temperature : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the temperature of the cells in the library.

Example

```
nom_temperature : 25.0 ;
```

1.6.22 *nom_voltage Simple Attribute*

The `nom_voltage` attribute defines voltage, one of the nominal operating conditions for a library.

Syntax

```
nom_voltage : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the voltage of the cells in the library.

Example

```
nom_voltage : 5.0 ;
```

1.6.23 *output_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute*

Use the `output_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an output pin signal falling from 1 to 0.

Syntax

```
output_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an output pin signal falling from 1 to 0. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
output_threshold_pct_fall : 40.0 ;
```

1.6.24 output_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute

Use the `output_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an output pin signal rising from 0 to 1.

Syntax

```
output_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an output pin signal rising from 0 to 1. The default is 50.0.

Example

```
output_threshold_pct_rise : 40.0 ;
```

1.6.25 piece_type Simple Attribute

The `piece_type` attribute provides the option of using capacitance to define the piecewise linear model.

Syntax

```
piece_type : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are `piece_length`, `piece_wire_cap`, `piece_pin_cap`, and `piece_total_cap`.

Example

```
piece_type : piece_length ;
```

The `piece_wire_cap`, `piece_pin_cap`, and `piece_total_cap` values represent the piecewise linear model extensions that cause modeling to use capacitance instead of length. These values indicate wire capacitance alone, total pin capacitance, or the total wire and pin capacitance. If the `piece_type` attribute is not defined, modeling defaults to the `piece_length` model.

1.6.26 *power_model Simple Attribute*

The `power_model` attribute allows you to specify whether your library uses lookup tables or scalable polynomial equations to model power.

Syntax

```
power_model : value ;
```

value

The valid values you can specify are `table_lookup` and `polynomial`. If no value is specified, `table_lookup` is used.

Example

```
power_model : polynomial ;
```

1.6.27 *preferred_output_pad_slew_rate_control Simple Attribute*

Use the `preferred_output_pad_slew_rate_control` attribute to embed directly in the library the desired preferred slew-rate control value.

Syntax

```
preferred_output_pad_slew_rate_control : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are high, medium, low, and none.

Example

```
preferred_output_pad_slew_rate_control : high ;
```

1.6.28 *preferred_input_pad_voltage Simple Attribute*

Use the `preferred_input_pad_voltage` and the `preferred_output_pad_voltage` attributes to embed in the library the preferred voltage values.

Syntax

```
preferred_input_pad_voltage : name1string ;  
preferred_output_pad_voltage : name2string ;
```

name1

A string name for any of the input voltage groups defined in the library.

name2

A string name for any of the output voltage groups defined in the library.

For more information about output and input voltage groups, see the “Defining Core Cells” and “Defining I/O Pads” chapters in the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

1.6.29 *preferred_output_pad_voltage Simple Attribute*

For information about using the `preferred_output_pad_voltage` attribute, see the description of the [“preferred_input_pad_voltage Simple Attribute”](#).

1.6.30 *pulling_resistance_unit Simple Attribute*

Use the `pulling_resistance_unit` attribute to define pulling resistance values for pull-up and pull-down devices.

Syntax

```
pulling_resistance_unit : "unit" ;
```

unit

Valid unit values are 1ohm, 10ohm, 100ohm, and 1kohm. No default exists for `pulling_resistance_unit` if the attribute is omitted.

Example

```
pulling_resistance_unit : "10ohm" ;
```

1.6.31 *revision Simple Attribute*

The optional `revision` attribute defines a revision number for your library.

Syntax

```
revision : value ;
```

value

The value can be either a floating-point number or a string.

Example

```
revision : V3.1a ;
```

1.6.32 *simulation Simple Attribute*

Setting the `simulation` attribute to true lets a tool simulation library files.

Syntax

```
simulation : true | false ;
```

The default for the `simulation` attribute is true.

Example

```
simulation : true ;
```

1.6.33 *slew_derate_from_library Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_derate_from_library` attribute to specify how the transition times need to be derated to match the transition times between the characterization trip points.

Syntax

```
slew_derate_from_library : deratefloat ;
```

derate

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 1.0. The default is 1.0.

Example

```
slew_derate_from_library : 0.5;
```

1.6.34 *slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the default lower threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the lower threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. The default is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
```

1.6.35 slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the default lower threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the lower threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. The default is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
```

1.6.36 slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the default upper threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point used to model the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. The default is 80.0.

Example


```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
```

1.6.37 *slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute*

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the upper threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the pin-level to override the default.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point used for modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. The default is 80.0.

Example

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
```

1.6.38 *time_unit Simple Attribute*

Use attribute to identify the physical time unit used in the generated library.

Syntax

```
time_unit : unit ;
```

unit

Valid values are 1ps, 10ps, 100ps, and 1ns. The `time_unit` attribute default is 1ns.

Example

```
time_unit : 100ps ;
```

1.6.39 *voltage_unit Simple Attribute*

Use this attribute to scale the contents of the `input_voltage` and `output_voltage` groups.

Additionally, the `voltage` attribute in the `operating_conditions` group represents values in the voltage units.

Syntax

```
voltage_unit : unit ;
```

unit

Valid values are 1mV, 10mV, 100mV, and 1V. The default is 1V.

Example

```
voltage_unit : 100mV;
```

1.7 Defining Default Attribute Values in a CMOS Technology Library

Within the `library` group of a CMOS technology library, you can define default values for the `pin` and `timing` group attributes. Then, as needed, you can override the default settings by defining corresponding attributes at the individual `pin` or `timing` group levels.

The following tables list the default attributes that you can define within the `library` group and the attributes that override them.

- [Table 1-1](#) lists the default attributes you can use in all the CMOS models.
- [Table 1-2](#) lists the default attributes you can use in piecewise linear delay models.
- [Table 1-3](#) lists the default attributes you can use in CMOS linear delay models.

Table 1-1 CMOS Default Attributes for All Models

Default attribute	Description	Override with
<code>default_cell_leakage_power</code>	Default leakage power	<code>cell_leakage_power</code>
<code>default_connection_class</code>	Default connection class	<code>connection_class</code>
<code>default_fanout_load</code>	Fanout load of input pins	<code>fanout_load</code>
<code>default_inout_pin_cap</code>	Capacitance of inout pins	<code>capacitance</code>
<code>default_input_pin_cap</code>	Capacitance of input pins	<code>capacitance</code>
<code>default_intrinsic_fall</code>	Intrinsic fall delay of a timing arc	<code>intrinsic_fall</code>
<code>default_intrinsic_rise</code>	Intrinsic rise delay of a timing arc	<code>intrinsic_rise</code>
<code>default_leakage_power_density</code>	Default leakage power density	<code>cell_leakage_power</code>

default_max_capacitance	Maximum capacitance of output pins	max_capacitance
default_max_fanout	Maximum fanout of all output pins	max_fanout
default_max_transition	Maximum transition of output pins	max_transition
default_max_utilization	Maximum limit of utilization	No override available
default_min_porosity	Minimum porosity constraint	
default_operating_conditions	Default operating conditions for the library	operating_conditions
default_output_pin_cap	Capacitance of output pins	capacitance
default_slope_fall	Fall sensitivity factor of a timing arc	slope_fall
default_slope_rise	Rise sensitivity factor of a timing arc	slope_rise
default_wire_load	Wire load	No override available
default_wire_load_area	Wire load area	No override available
default_wire_load_capacitance	Wire load capacitance	No override available
default_wire_load_mode	Wire load mode	set_wire_load -mode
default_wire_load_resistance	Wire load resistance	No override available
default_wire_load_selection	Wire load selection	No override available

Table 1-2 CMOS Default Attributes for Piecewise Linear Delay Models

Default attribute	Description	Override with
default_fall_delay_intercept	Falling-edge intercept of a timing arc	fall_delay_intercept
default_fall_pin_resistance	Fall resistance of output pins	fall_pin_resistance
default_rise_delay_intercept	Rising-edge intercept of a timing arc	rise_delay_intercept

default_rise_pin_resistance	Rise resistance of output pins	rise_pin_resistance
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Table 1-3 CMOS Default Attributes for Linear Delay Models

Default attribute	Description	Override with
default_inout_pin_fall_res	Fall resistance of inout pins	fall_resistance
default_inout_pin_rise_res	Rise resistance of inout pins	rise_resistance
default_output_pin_fall_res	Fall resistance of output pins	fall_resistance
default_output_pin_rise_res	Rise resistance of output pins	rise_resistance

1.8 Complex Attributes

Following are the descriptions of the technology library complex attributes.

1.8.1 capacitive_load_unit Complex Attribute

The `capacitive_load_unit` attribute specifies the unit for all capacitance values within the technology library, including default capacitances, max fanout capacitances, pin capacitances, and wire capacitances.

Syntax

```
capacitive_load_unit (valuefloat,unitenum) ;
```

value

A floating-point number.

unit

Valid values are ff and pf.

The first line in the following example sets the capacitive load unit to 1 pf. The second line represents capacitance in terms of the standard unit load of an inverter.

Example

```
capacitive_load_unit (1,pf) ;
capacitive_load_unit (0.059,pf) ;
```

The `capacitive_load_unit` attribute has no default when the attribute is omitted.

1.8.2 *default_part Complex Attribute*

The `default_part` attribute specifies the default part and the speed used for an FPGA design.

Syntax

```
default_part (default_part_namestring, speed_gradestring) ;
```

default_part_name

The name of the default part.

speed_grade

The speed grade the design uses.

Example

```
default_part ("AUTO", "-5") ;
```

1.8.3 *define Complex Attribute*

Use this special attribute to define new, temporary, or user-defined attributes for use in symbol and technology libraries.

Syntax

```
define ("attribute_name",  
"group_name", "attribute_type") ;
```

attribute_name

The name of the attribute you are creating.

group_name

The name of the group statement in which the attribute is to be used.

attribute_type

The type of the attribute that you are creating; valid values are Boolean, string, integer, or float.

You can use either a space or a comma to separate the arguments. The following example shows how to define a new string attribute called `bork`, which is valid in a `pin` group:

Example

```
define ("bork", "pin", "string") ;
```

You give the new library attribute a value by using the simple attribute syntax:

```
bork : "nimo" ;
```

1.8.4 *define_cell_area* Complex Attribute

The `define_cell_area` attribute defines the area resources a cell uses, such as the number of pad slots.

Syntax

```
define_cell_area (area_name,  
resource_type) ;
```

area_name

A name of a resource type. You can associate more than one `area_name` attribute with each of the predefined resource types.

resource_type

The resource type can be

- `pad_slots`
- `pad_input_driver_sites`
- `pad_output_driver_sites`
- `pad_driver_sites`

Use the `pad_driver_sites` type when you do not need to discriminate between input and output pad driver sites.

You can define as many cell area types as you need, as shown here.

Example

```
define_cell_area (bond_pads, pad_slots) ;  
define_cell_area (pad_drivers, pad_driver_sites) ;
```

After you define the cell area types, specify the resource type in a `cell` group to identify how many of each resource type the cell requires, as shown here.

Example

```

cell (IV_PAD) {
    bond_pads : 1 ;
    ...
}

```

1.8.5 *define_group Complex Attribute*

Use this special attribute to define new, temporary, or user-defined groups for use in technology libraries.

Syntax

```
define_group (group_id, parent_name_id) ;
```

group

The name of the user-defined group.

parent_name

The name of the group statement in which the attribute is to be used.

The following example shows how you define a new group called myGroup:

Example

```
define_group (myGroup, timing ) ;
```

1.8.6 *piece_define Complex Attribute*

The `piece_define` complex attribute statement defines the pieces used in the piecewise linear delay model. With this attribute, you can define the ranges of length or capacitance for indexed variables, such as `rise_pin_resistance`, used in the delay equations.

Syntax

```
piece_define ("range0 [range1
range2 ..]");
```

Each range is a floating-point number defining the lower limit of the respective range. If the piecewise linear model is in the `piece_length` mode, as described in the `piece_type` attribute section, a wire whose length is between `range0` and `range1` is named as piece 0, a wire whose length is between `range1` and `range2` is piece 1, and so on.

For example, in the following `piece_define` specification, a wire of length 5 is referred to as piece 0, a wire of length 12 is piece 1, and a wire of length 20 or more is piece 2.

Example

```
piece_define ("0 10 20") ;
```

Each capacitance is a positive floating-point number defining the lower limit of the respective range. A piece of wire whose capacitance is between *range0* and *range1* is identified as *piece0*, a capacitance between *range1* and *range2* is piece 1, and so on.

You must include in the `piece_define` statement all ranges of wire length or capacitance for which you want to enter a unique attribute value.

1.8.7 routing_layers Complex Attribute

The `routing_layers` attribute declares the routing layers available for place and route for the library. The `routing_layers` attribute is a string that represents the symbolic name used later in a library to describe routability information associated with each layer. The `routing_layers` attribute must be defined in the library before other routability information in a cell. Otherwise, cell routability information in the library is considered an error. Each different library can have only one `routing_layers` complex attribute.

Syntax

```
routing_layers ("routing_layer_1_name",..., "routing_layer_n_name")  
;
```

1.8.8 technology Complex Attribute

which technology family is used in the library. When you define the `technology` attribute, it must be the first attribute you use and it must be placed at the top of the listing (see [Example 1-2](#)).

Syntax

```
technology (name_enum) ;  
  
name
```

Valid values are CMOS or FPGA. If you specify FPGA, you must also specify the `fpga_technology` attribute at the library level. The default is CMOS.

Example

```
technology (cmos);
```

1.8.9 voltage_map Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the cell-level `pg_pin` groups.

Syntax

```
voltage_map (voltage_nameid, voltage_valuefloat) ;
```

voltage_name

Specifies a power supply.

voltage_value

Specifies a voltage value.

Example

```
voltage_map (VDD1, 3.0) ;
```

1.9 Group Statements

Following are the descriptions of the technology library group statement attribute.

1.9.1 *base_curves* Group

The `base_curves` group is a library-level group that contains the detailed description of normalized base curves.

Syntax

```
library (my_compact_ccs_lib)
{
  ...
  base_curves (base_curves_name)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

Example

```
library(my_lib) {
  ...
  base_curves (ctbct1) {
    ...
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

`base_curve_type`

```
curve_x
curve_y
```

1.9.2 *base_curve_type* Complex Attribute

The `base_curve_type` attribute specifies the type of base curve. The valid values for `base_curve_type` are `ccs_timing_half_curve` and `ccs_half_curve`. The `ccs_half_curve` value allows you to model compact CCS power and compact CCS timing data within the same `base_curves` group. You must specify `ccs_half_curve` before specifying `ccs_timing_half_curve`.

Syntax

```
base_curve_type: enum (ccs_half_curve, ccs_timing_half_curve);
```

Example

```
base_curve_type : ccs_timing_half_curve ;
```

1.9.3 *curve_x* Complex Attribute

Each base curve consists of one `curve_x` and one `curve_y`. The `curve_x` attribute should be defined before `curve_y` for clarity and easy implementation. Only one `curve_x` attribute can be specified for each `base_curves` group. The data array is the x-axis value of the normalized base curve. For a `ccs_timing_half_curve` base curve, the `curve_x` value must be between 0 and 1 and increase monotonically.

Syntax

```
curve_x ("float...", float) ;
```

Example

```
curve_x ("0.2, 0.5, 0.8") ;
```

1.9.4 *curve_y* Complex Attribute

Each base curve consists of one `curve_x` and one `curve_y`. The `curve_x` attribute should be defined before `curve_y` for clarity and easy implementation. For compact CCS power, the valid region for `curve_y` is [-30, 30].

The `curve_y` attribute includes the following:

- The `curve_id` value, which specifies the base curve identifier.
- The data array, which is the y-axis value of the normalized base curve.

Syntax

```
curve_y (curve_id,  
"float...", float) ;
```

Example

```
curve_y (1, "0.8, 0.5, 0.2");
```

1.9.5 compact_lut_template Group

The `compact_lut_template` group is a lookup table template used for compact CCS timing and power modeling.

Syntax

```
library (my_compact_ccs_lib)
{
  ...
  compact_lut_template (template_name)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

Example

```
library (my_lib) {
  ...
  compact_lut_template (LTT3) {
    ...
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
base_curves_group
variable_1
variable_2
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
```

1.9.6 base_curves_group Simple Attribute

The `base_curves_group` attribute is required in the `compressed_lut_template` group. Its value is the specified `base_curves` group name. The type of base curve in the `base_curves` group determines the `index_3` values when the `compact_lut_template` is used.

Syntax

```
base_curves_group : base_curves_name ;
```

Example

```
base_curves_group : ctbc1 ;
```

1.9.7 *variable_1 and variable_2 Simple Attributes*

The only valid values for the `variable_1` and `variable_2` attributes are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

Syntax

```
variable_1 : input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance;  
variable_2 : input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance;
```

Example

```
variable_1 : input_net_transition ;  
variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance ;
```

1.9.8 *variable_3 Simple Attribute*

The only legal string value for the `variable_3` attribute is `curve_parameters`.

Syntax

```
variable_3 : curve_parameters ;
```

Example

```
variable_3 : curve_parameters ;
```

1.9.9 *index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes*

The `index_1` and `index_2` attributes are required. The `index_1` and `index_2` attributes define the `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance` values. The index value for `input_net_transition` or `total_output_net_capacitance` is a floating-point number.

Syntax

```
index_1 ("float...", float) ;  
index_2 ("float...", float) ;
```

Example

```
index_1 ("0.1, 0.2") ;  
index_2 ("1.0, 2.0") ;
```

1.9.10 *index_3 Complex Attribute*

The string values in `index_3` are determined by the `base_curve_type` value in the `base_curve` group. When `ccs_timing_half_curve` is the `base_curve_type` value, the following six string values (parameters) should be defined: `init_current`, `peak_current`, `peak_voltage`, `peak_time`, `left_id`, `right_id`; their order is not fixed.

More than six parameters are allowed if a more robust syntax is required or for circumstances where more parameters are needed to describe the original data.

Syntax

```
index_3 ("string..., string") ;
```

Example

```
index_3 ("init_current, peak_current, peak_voltage,  
peak_time, left_id, right_id") ;
```

1.9.11 `char_config` Group

The `char_config` group is a group of attributes including simple and complex attributes. These attributes represent library characterization configuration, and specify the settings to characterize the library. Use the `char_config` group syntax to apply an attribute value to a specific characterization model. You can specify multiple complex attributes in the `char_config` group. You can also specify a single complex attribute multiple times for different characterization models.

You can also define the `char_config` group within the `cell`, `pin`, and `timing` groups. However, when you specify the same attribute in multiple `char_config` groups at different levels, such as at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels, the attribute specified at the lower level gets priority over the ones specified at the higher levels. For example, the pin-level `char_config` group attributes have higher priority over the library-level `char_config` group attributes.

Syntax

```
library (library_name) {  
  char_config() {  
    /* characterization configuration attributes */  
  }  
  ...  
  cell (cell_name) {  
    char_config() {  
      /* characterization configuration attributes */  
    }  
    ...  
    pin(pin_name) {  
      char_config() {  
        /* characterization configuration attributes */  
      }  
      timing() {  
        char_config() {  
          /* characterization configuration attributes */  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```

*/
    }
  } /* end of timing */
  ...
} /* end of pin */
...
} /* end of cell */
...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

three_state_disable_measurement_method
three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs
three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel
three_state_disable_monitor_node
three_state_cap_add_to_load_index
ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall

```

Complex Attributes

```

driver_waveform
driver_waveform_rise
driver_waveform_fall
input_stimulus_transition
input_stimulus_interval
unrelated_output_net_capacitance
default_value_selection_method
default_value_selection_method_rise
default_value_selection_method_fall
merge_tolerance_abs
merge_tolerance_rel
merge_selection

```

Characterization Models

[Table 1-4](#) lists the valid characterization models for the `char_config` group attributes.

Table 1-4 Valid Characterization Models for the `char_config` Group

Model	Description
all	Default model. The all model has the lowest priority among the valid models for the char_config group. Any other model overrides the all model.
nldm	Default nonlinear delay model (NLDM)
nldm_delay nldm_transition	Specific NLDMs that have higher priority over the default NLDM
capacitance	Capacitance model
constraint	Default constraint model
constraint_setup constraint_hold constraint_recovery constraint_removal constraint_skew constraint_min_pulse_width constraint_no_change constraint_non_seq_setup constraint_non_seq_hold constraint_minimum_period	Specific constraint models with higher priority over the default constraint model
nlpm	Default nonlinear power model (NLPM)
nlpm_leakage nlpm_input nlpm_output	Specific NLPM with higher priority over the default NLPM

Selection Methods

[Table 1-5](#) lists the valid selection methods used by the char_config group attributes.

Table 1-5 Valid Selection Methods for the char_config Group

Method	Description
any	Selects a random value from the state-dependent data.
min	Selects the minimum value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
max	Selects the maximum value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
average	Selects an average value from the state-dependent data at each index point.
	Selects the minimum value from the state-dependent data in a

min_mid_table	<p>lookup table. The minimum value is selected by comparing the middle value in the lookup table, with each of the table-values.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>The middle value corresponds to an index value. If the number of index values is odd, then the middle value is taken as the median value. However, if the number of index values is even, then the smaller of the two values is selected as the middle value.</p>
max_mid_table	<p>Selects the maximum value from the state-dependent data in the lookup table. The maximum value is selected by comparing the middle value in the lookup table, with each of the table-values.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>The middle value corresponds to an index value. If the number of index values is odd, then the middle value is taken as the median value. However, if the number of index values is even, then the smaller of the two values is selected as the middle value.</p>
follow_delay	<p>Selects the value from the state-dependent data for delay selection. This method is valid only for the nldm_transition characterization model, that is, the follow_delay method applies specifically to default transition-table selection and not any other default-value selection.</p>

Example

```

library (library_test) {
  lu_table_template(waveform_template) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : normalized_voltage;
    index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7");

    index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");

  }
  normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09",

```



```

\
    "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
    ...
    "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver_cell_test;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
           "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
           ...
           "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver_rise;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
           "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
           ...
           "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : input_driver_fall;
    values ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09", \
           "0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.19", \
           ...
           "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9");
}
char_config() {
/* library level default attributes*/
    driver_waveform(all, input_driver);
    input_stimulus_transition(all, 0.1);
    input_stimulus_interval(all, 100.0);
    unrelated_output_net_capacitance(all, 1.0);
    default_value_selection_method(all, any);
    merge_tolerance_abs( nldm, 0.1) ;
    merge_tolerance_abs( constraint, 0.1) ;
    merge_tolerance_abs( capacitance, 0.01) ;
    merge_tolerance_abs( nlpm, 0.05) ;
    merge_tolerance_rel( all, 2.0) ;
    merge_selection( all, max) ;
}

```

```

    three_state_disable_measurement_method :
current;
    three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs : 0.05;

    three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel :
2.0;
    three_state_disable_monitor_node :
tri_monitor;
    three_state_cap_add_to_load_index : true;
    ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;

    ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel: 2.0 ;
    ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise :
20.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall :
80.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise :
20.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall :
50.0;
    receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall :
80.0;
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise :
20.0;
    capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall :
50.0;
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise :
50.0;
    capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall :
80.0;
    ...
}
...
cell (cell_test) {
    char_config() {
        /* input driver for cell_test specifically */
        driver_waveform (all,
input_driver_cell_test);
        /* specific default arc selection method for constraint
*/
        default_value_selection_method (constraint, max);

        default_value_selection_method_rise(nldm_transition,

```

```

min);
    default_value_selection_method_fall(nldm_transition,
max);
    ...
}
...
pin(pin1) {
    char_config() {
        driver_waveform_rise(delay,
input_driver_rise);
    }
    ...
    timing() {
        char_config() {
            driver_waveform_rise(constraint,
input_driver_rise);
            driver_waveform_fall(constraint,
input_driver_fall);
            /* specific ccs segmentation tolerance for this timing arc
*/
            ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 2.0
;
        }
    } /* timing */
} /* pin */
} /* cell */
} /* lib */

```

three_state_disable_measurement_method Simple Attribute

The `three_state_disable_measurement_method` attribute specifies the method to identify the three-state condition of a pin. In a `pin` group, this attribute is valid only for a three-state pin. You must define this attribute if the library contains one or more three-state cells.

Syntax

```

three_state_disable_measurement_method : voltage
| current ;

```

voltage

This method measures the voltage waveform to the gate input of the three-state stage.

current

This method measures the leakage current flowing through the pullup and pulldown resistors of the three-state stage.

Example

```
three_state_disable_measurement_method : current ;
```

three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs Simple Attribute

The `three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs` attribute specifies the absolute current threshold value to distinguish between the low- and high-impedance states of a three-state output pin. The unit of the absolute current threshold value is specified in the `current_unit` attribute of the `library` group.

In the `pin` group, this attribute is valid only for an inout pin. If you define both the `three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs` and `three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel` attributes, the pin enters the high-impedance state upon reaching either of the two threshold values.

Syntax

```
three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs : float ;
```

Example

```
three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs : 0.05 ;
```

three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel Simple Attribute

The `three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel` attribute specifies the relative current threshold value to distinguish between the low- and high-impedance states of a three-state output pin. The relative current threshold value is specified as a percentage of the peak current, for example, 100.0 for 100 percent of the peak current.

In the `pin` group, this attribute is valid only for an inout pin. If you define both the `three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs` and `three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel` attributes, the pin enters the high-impedance state upon reaching either of the two threshold values.

Syntax

```
three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel : float ;
```

Example

```
three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel : 2.0 ;
```

three_state_disable_monitor_node Simple Attribute

The `three_state_disable_monitor_node` attribute specifies the internal node that is probed for the three-state voltage measurement method.

In the pin group, this attribute is valid only for an inout pin. You must define this attribute for the `voltage` method.

Syntax

```
three_state_disable_monitor_node : string ;
```

Example

```
three_state_disable_monitor_node : tri_monitor ;
```

three_state_cap_add_to_load_index Simple Attribute

The `three_state_cap_add_to_load_index` attribute specifies that the pin capacitance of a three-state pin is added to each index value of the `total_output_net_capacitance` variable. The valid values are `true` and `false`.

You must define this attribute.

Syntax

```
three_state_cap_add_to_load_index : true |  
false ;
```

Example

```
three_state_cap_add_to_load_index : true ;
```

ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel Simple Attribute

The `ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the maximum permissible voltage difference between the simulation waveform and the CCS waveform to select the CCS model point. The floating-point value is specified in percent, where 100.0 represents a 100 percent voltage difference.

You must define this attribute when the library includes a CCS model.

Syntax

```
ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: float ;
```

Example

```
ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;
```

ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel Simple Attribute

The `ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the acceptable difference between the CCS waveform delay and the delay measured from simulation. The floating-point value is specified in percent, where 100.0 represents 100 percent acceptable difference.

You must define this attribute if the library includes a CCS model.

Syntax

```
ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel: float ;
```

Example

```
ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel: 2.0 ;
```

ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel Simple Attribute

The `ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the voltage tolerance for a signal to acquire the rail-voltage value. The floating-point value is specified as a percentage of the rail voltage, such as 96.0 for 96 percent of the rail voltage.

You must define this attribute if the library includes a CCS model.

Syntax

```
ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel: float ;
```

Example

```
ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel: 1.0 ;
```

CCS Receiver Capacitance Simple Attributes

The following CCS receiver capacitance attributes specify the current-integration limits, as a percentage of the voltage, to calculate the CCS receiver capacitances. The floating-point values of these attributes can vary from 0.0 to 100.0.

You must define all these attributes if the library includes a CCS model.

Syntax

```
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise  
: float ;  
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float ;  
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float ;  
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float ;  
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : float ;  
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float ;  
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float ;
```

```
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float ;
```

Example

```
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 20.0
;
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 50.0
;
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 50.0
;
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 80.0
;
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 20.0
;
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 50.0
;
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 50.0
;
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 80.0
;
```

Input-Capacitance Measurement Simple Attributes

The following input-capacitance measurement attributes specify the corresponding threshold values for the rising and falling voltage waveforms, to calculate the NLDM input-pin capacitance. Each floating-point threshold value is specified as a percentage of the supply voltage, and can vary from 0.0 to 100.0.

You must define all these attributes.

Syntax

```
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
: float ;
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : float ;
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : float ;
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : float ;
```

Example

```
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 20.0
;
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 50.0
;
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 50.0
;
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 80.0
;
```

driver_waveform Complex Attribute

The `driver_waveform` attribute defines the driver waveform to characterize a specific characterization model.

You can define the `driver_waveform` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels. If you define the `driver_waveform` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library level, the library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group is ignored when the `driver_waveform_name` attribute is not defined.

Syntax

```
driver_waveform ( char_model, waveform_name ) ;
```

Example

```
driver_waveform ( all, input_driver ) ;
```

driver_waveform_rise Complex Attribute

The `driver_waveform_rise` attribute defines a specific rising driver waveform to characterize a specific characterization model.

You can define the `driver_waveform_rise` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels. If you define the `driver_waveform_rise` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library level, the library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group is ignored when the `driver_waveform_name` attribute is not defined.

Syntax

```
driver_waveform_rise ( char_model, waveform_name ) ;
```

Example

```
driver_waveform_rise ( all, input_driver ) ;
```

driver_waveform_fall Complex Attribute

The `driver_waveform_fall` attribute defines a specific falling driver waveform to characterize a specific characterization model.

You can define the `driver_waveform_fall` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library, cell, pin, and timing levels. If you define the `driver_waveform_fall` attribute within the `char_config` group at the library level, the library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group is ignored when the `driver_waveform_name` attribute is not defined.

Syntax


```
driver_waveform_fall ( char_model, waveform_name ) ;
```

Example

```
driver_waveform_fall ( all, input_driver ) ;
```

input_stimulus_transition Complex Attribute

The `input_stimulus_transition` attribute specifies the transition time for all the input-signal edges except the arc input pin's last transition, during generation of the input stimulus for simulation.

The time units of the `input_stimulus_transition` attribute are specified by the library-level `time_unit` attribute.

You must define this attribute.

Syntax

```
input_stimulus_transition ( char_model, float ) ;
```

Example

```
input_stimulus_transition ( all, 0.1 ) ;
```

input_stimulus_interval Complex Attribute

The `input_stimulus_interval` attribute specifies the time-interval between the input-signal toggles to generate the input stimulus for a characterization cell. The time units of this attribute are specified by the library-level `time_unit` attribute.

You must define the `input_stimulus_interval` attribute.

Syntax

```
input_stimulus_interval ( char_model, float ) ;
```

Example

```
input_stimulus_interval ( all, 100.0 ) ;
```

unrelated_output_net_capacitance Complex Attribute

The `unrelated_output_net_capacitance` attribute specifies a load value for an output pin that is not a related output pin of the characterization model. The valid value is a floating-point number, and is defined by the library-level `capacitive_load_unit` attribute.

If you do not specify this attribute for the `nldm_delay` and `nlpm_output` characterization models, the unrelated output pins use the load value of the related output pin. However, you must specify this attribute for any other characterization model.

Syntax

```
unrelated_output_net_capacitance ( char_model, float ) ;
```

Example

```
unrelated_output_net_capacitance ( all, 1.0 ) ;
```

default_value_selection_method Complex Attribute

The `default_value_selection_method` attribute defines the method of selecting a default value for

- The delay arc from state-dependent delay arcs
- The constraint arc from state-dependent constraint arcs
- Pin-based minimum pulse-width constraints from simulated results with side pin combinations
- Internal power arcs from multiple state-dependent `internal_power` groups
- The `cell_leakage_power` attribute from the state-dependent values in leakage power models
- The input-pin capacitance from capacitance values for input-slew values used for timing characterization

Syntax

```
default_value_selection_method ( char_model, method ) ;
```

For valid values of the `method` argument, see [Table 1-5](#).

Example

```
default_value_selection_method ( all, any ) ;
```

default_value_selection_method_rise Complex Attribute

Use the `default_value_selection_method_rise` attribute when the selection method for rise is different from the selection method for fall.

You must define either the `default_value_selection_method` attribute, or the `default_value_selection_method_rise` and `default_value_selection_method_fall` attributes.

Syntax

```
default_value_selection_method_rise ( char_model, method ) ;
```

For valid values of the method argument, see [Table 1-5](#).

Example

```
default_value_selection_method_rise ( all, any ) ;
```

default_value_selection_method_fall Complex Attribute

Use the `default_value_selection_method_fall` attribute when the selection method for fall is different from the selection method for rise.

You must define either the `default_value_selection_method` attribute, or the `default_value_selection_method_rise` and `default_value_selection_method_fall` attributes.

Syntax

```
default_value_selection_method_fall ( char_model, method ) ;
```

For valid values of the method argument, see [Table 1-5](#).

Example

```
default_value_selection_method_fall ( all, any ) ;
```

merge_tolerance_abs Complex Attribute

The `merge_tolerance_abs` attribute specifies the absolute tolerance to merge arc simulation results. Specify the absolute tolerance value in the corresponding library unit.

If you specify both the `merge_tolerance_abs` and `merge_tolerance_rel` attributes, the results are merged if either or both the tolerance conditions are satisfied. If you do not specify any of these attributes, data is not merged, including identical data.

Syntax

```
merge_tolerance_abs ( char_model, float ) ;
```

Example

```
merge_tolerance_abs ( constraint, 0.1 ) ;
```

merge_tolerance_rel Complex Attribute

The `merge_tolerance_rel` attribute specifies the relative tolerance to merge arc simulation results. Specify the relative tolerance value in percent, for example, 10.0 for 10 percent.

If you specify both the `merge_tolerance_abs` and `merge_tolerance_rel` attributes, the results are merged if either or both the tolerance conditions are satisfied. If you do not specify any of these attributes, data is not merged, including identical data.

Syntax

```
merge_tolerance_rel ( char_model, float ) ;
```

Example

```
merge_tolerance_rel ( all, 2.0 ) ;
```

merge_selection Complex Attribute

The `merge_selection` attribute specifies the method to select the merged data. When multiple sets of state-dependent data are merged, the attribute selects a particular set of the state-dependent data to represent the merged data.

You must define the `merge_selection` attribute if you have defined the `merge_tolerance_abs` or `merge_tolerance_rel` attribute.

Syntax

```
merge_selection ( char_model, method ) ;
```

For valid values of the `method` argument, see [Table 1-5](#).

Example

```
merge_tolerance_rel ( all, max ) ;
```

For more information about the `char_config` group and group attributes, see the “Configuring Library Characterization Settings” chapter in the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

1.9.12 dc_current_template Group

The `dc_current_template` group defines a template for specifying a two-dimensional `dc_current` table or a three-dimensional `vector` table.

Syntax

```
library (library_name)  
{  
  dc_current_template (template_name)  
  {  
    ... template_description ...  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1  
variable_2  
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3
```

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

For a two-dimensional `dc_current` table, the value you can assign to `variable_1` is `input_voltage`, and the value you can assign to `variable_2` is `output_voltage`.

For a three-dimensional `vector` table, the value you can assign to `variable_1` is `input_net_transition`, and the value you can assign to `variable_2` is `output_net_transition`. The value you can assign to `variable_3` is `time`.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Complex Attributes

Along with `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`, you must specify the index values.

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;  
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;  
index_3 ("float, ..., float") ;
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
  ...  
  dc_current_template (my_template) {  
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;  
    variable_2 : output_net_transition ;  
    variable_3 : time ;  
    index_1 ("0.0, 0.0") ;  
    index_2 ("0.0, 0.0") ;  
    index_3 ("0.0, 0.0") ;  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

1.9.13 *em_lut_template* Group

The `em_lut_template` group is defined at the library group level.

Syntax

```
library (name_string) {
    em_lut_template(name_string) {
        variable_1 : input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance
    ;
        variable_2 : input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance
    ;
        index_1 : ("float, ..., float");
        index_2 : ("float, ..., float");
    }
}
```

The `em_lut_template` group creates a template of the index used by the electromigration group defined in the `pin` group level.

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

Following are the values that you can assign to the templates for electromigration tables. Use `variable_1` to assign values to one-dimensional tables; use `variable_2` to assign values for two-dimensional tables; and use `variable_3` to assign values for three-dimensional tables:

```
variable_1 : input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance
;
variable_2 : input_transition_time | total_output_net_capacitance
;
```

The value you assign to `variable_1` is determined by how the `index_1` complex attribute is measured, and the value you assign to `variable_2` is determined by how the `index_2` complex attribute is measured.

Assign `input_transition_time` to `variable_1` if the complex attribute `index_1` is measured with the input net transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` attribute or the pin associated with the electromigration group. Assign `total_output_net_capacitance` to `variable_1` if the complex attribute `index_1` is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin associated with the `em_max_toggle_rate` group.

Assign `input_transition_time` to `variable_2` if the complex attribute `index_2` is measured with the input net transition time of the pin specified in the `related_pin` or the `related_bus_pins` attribute or the pin associated with the electromigration group. Assign `total_output_net_capacitance` to `variable_2` if the complex attribute `index_2` is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin

associated with the electromigration group.

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

You can use these optional attributes to specify the first and second dimension breakpoints used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

Syntax

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
```

float

For *index_1*, the floating-point numbers that specify the breakpoints of the first dimension of the electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library. For *index_2*, the floating-point numbers that specify the breakpoints for the second dimension of the electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's *index_1* by entering values for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's *index_1*. You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's *index_2* by entering values for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's *index_2*.

The following rules describe the relationship between variables and indexes:

- If you have *variable_1*, you can have only *index_1*.
- If you have *variable_1* and *variable_2*, you can have *index_1* and *index_2*.
- The value you enter for *variable_1* (used for one-dimensional tables) is determined by how *index_1* is measured. The value you enter for *variable_2* (used for two-dimensional tables) is determined by how *index_2* is measured.

Examples

```
em_lut_template (output_by_cap_and_trans) {  
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance ;  
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;  
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;  
    index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;  
}  
em_lut_template (input_by_trans) {  
    variable_1 : input_transition_time;  
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0");  
}
```

1.9.14 *fall_net_delay* Group

The `fall_net_delay` group is defined at the library level, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
  fall_net_delay (name){
    ... fall net delay description ...
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float,...,float") ;
index_2 ("float,...,float") ;
values ("float,...,float", "float,...,float");
```

The `rise_net_delay` and the `fall_net_delay` groups define, in the form of lookup tables, the values for rise and fall net delays. This indexing allows the library developer to model net delays as any function of `output_transition` and `rc_product`.

The net delay tables in one library have no effect on computations related to cells from other libraries. To overwrite the lookup table default index values, specify the new index values before the net delay values.

[Example 1-4](#) shows an example of the `fall_net_delay` group.

Example 1-4 *fall_net_delay* Group

```
fall_net_delay (net_delay_table_template) {
  index_1 ("0, 1, 2") ;
  index_2 ("1, 0, 2") ;
  values ("0.00, 0.57", "0.10, 0.48") ;
}
```

1.9.15 *fall_transition_degradation* Group

The `fall_transition_degradation` group is defined at the library level, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
  fall_transition_degradation(name) {
    ... fall transition degradation description ...
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes


```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
values ("float, ..., float", "float, ...,float") ;

```

The `fall_transition_degradation` group and the `rise_transition_degradation` group describe, in the form of lookup tables, the transition degradation functions for rise and fall transitions. The lookup tables are indexed by the transition time at the net driver and the connect delay between the driver and a particular load. This indexing allows the library developer to model degraded transitions as any function of output-pin transition and connect delay between the driver and the load.

Transition degradation tables are used for indexing into any delay table in a library that has the `input_net_transition`, `constrained_pin_transition`, or `related_pin_transition` table parameters in the `lu_table_template` group.

The transition degradation tables in one library have no effect on computations related to cells from other libraries. [Example 1-5](#) shows a `fall_transition_degradation` group.

Example 1-5 `fall_transition_degradation` Group

```

fall_transition_degradation(trans_deg) {
    index_1 ("1, 0, 2") ;
    index_2 ("0, 1, 2") ;
    values ("0.0, 0.8", "1.0, 1.8") ;
}

```

1.9.16 `faults_lut_template`

To model yield information, use the `faults_lut_template` group to specify the fabrication names and time ranges applicable for all fault tables in the `.lib` file. You define fault tables in the cell-level `functional_yield_metric` group using the `average_number_of_faults` attribute. See [“functional_yield_metric Group”](#). Define the `faults_lut_template` group at the library level, as shown here:

Syntax

```

library (name_string) {
    ...
    faults_lut_template(name_string) {
        variable_1 : value_enum ;
        variable_2 : value_enum ;
        index_1 ("float, ..., float");
        index_2 ("float, ..., float");
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
```

The following are the values you can assign to the variables:

```
faults_lut_template(name_string) {
    variable_1 : fab_name;
    variable_2 : time_range;
}
```

Example

```
library ( my_library_name ) {
    ...
    faults_lut_template ( my_faults_temp ) {
        variable_1 : fab_name;
        variable_2 : time_range;
        index_1 ( " fab1, fab2, fab3 " );
        index_2 ( " 2005.01, 2005.07, 2006.01, 2006.07 " );
    }

    ...
    cell ( and2 ) {
        ...
        functional_yield_metric () {
            average_number_of_faults ( my_faults_temp ) {
                values ( " 73.5, 78.8, 85.0, 92 ",\
                    " 74.3, 78.7, 84.8, 92.2 ",\
                    " 72.2, 78.1, 84.3, 91.0 " );
            }
        }
        ...
    } /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */
```

This template example represents fault data for three fabrication lines (fab1, fab2, fab3) and holds fault data collected for four time ranges:

- 2005.01 represents a time range from January 2005 to June 2005
- 2005.07 represents a time range from July 2005 to December 2005
- 2006.01 represents a time range from January 2006 to June 2006
- 2006.07 represents July 2006 or later

For details on the `functional_yield_metric` group, see [“functional_yield_metric](#)

[Group](#)".

1.9.17 *input_voltage* Group

An `input_voltage` group is defined in the `library` group to designate a set of input voltage ranges for your cells.

Syntax

```
library (name_string) {  
    input_voltage (name_string) {  
        vil : float | expression ;  
        vih : float | expression ;  
        vimin : float | expression ;  
        vimax : float | expression ;  
    }  
}
```

vil

The maximum input voltage for which the input to the core is guaranteed to be a logic 0.

vih

The minimum input voltage for which the input to the core is guaranteed to be a logic 1.

vimin

The minimum acceptable input voltage.

vimax

The maximum acceptable input voltage.

After you define an `input_voltage` group, you can use its name with the `input_voltage` simple attribute in a `pin` group of a cell. For example, you can define an `input_voltage` group with a set of high and low thresholds and minimum and maximum voltage levels and use the `pin` group to assign those ranges to the cell pin, as shown here.

Example

```
pin() {  
    ...  
    input_voltage : my_input_voltages ;  
    ...  
}
```

The value of each attribute is expressed as a floating-point number, an expression, or both. [Table 1-6](#) lists the predefined variables that can be used in an expression.

Table 1-6 Voltage-Level Variables for the `input_voltage` Group

CMOS or BiCMOS variable	Default value
VDD	5V
VSS	0V
VCC	5V

The default values represent nominal operating conditions. These values fluctuate with the voltage range defined in the `operating_conditions` group.

All voltage values are in the units you define with the `library` group `voltage_unit` attribute.

[Example 1-6](#) shows a collection of `input_voltage` groups.

Example 1-6 `input_voltage` Groups

```
input_voltage(CMOS) {
    vil : 0.3 * VDD ;
    vih : 0.7 * VDD ;
    vimin : -0.5 ;
    vimax : VDD + 0.5 ;
}

input_voltage(TTL_5V) {
    vil : 0.8 ;
    vih : 2.0 ;
    vimin : -0.5 ;
    vimax : VDD + 0.5 ;
}
```

1.9.18 `fpga_isd` Group

You can define one or more `fpga_isd` groups at the library level to specify the drive current, I/O voltages, and slew rates for FPGA parts and cells.

Note:

When you specify more than one `fpga_isd` group, you must also define the library-level `default_fpga_isd` attribute to specify which `fpga_isd` group to use as the default.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
```

```

{
  fpga_isd (fpga_isd_name_string )
  {
    ... description ...
  }
}

```

Example

```

fpga_isd (part_cell_isd) {
  ... description ...
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

drive
io_type
slew

```

drive Simple Attribute

The `drive` attribute is optional and specifies the output current of the FPGA part or the FPGA cell.

Syntax

```

drive : value_id
      value
      A string

```

Example

```

drive : 24 ;

```

io_type Simple Attribute

The `io_type` attribute is required and specifies the input or output voltage of the FPGA part or the FPGA cell.

Syntax

```

io_type : value_id
        value

```

A string

Example

```
io_type : LVTTTL ;
```

slew Simple Attribute

The `slew` attribute is optional and specifies whether the slew of the FPGA part or the FPGA cell is FAST or SLOW.

Syntax

```
slew : valueid
```

value

Valid values are FAST and SLOW.

Example

```
slew : FAST ;
```

1.9.19 *iv_lut_template* Group

The `iv_lut_template` group describes a template for specifying a current-voltage curve. The template specifies I-V output voltage of the breakpoints.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)  
{  
  iv_lut_template (template_namestring)  
  {  
    ... template description ...  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
variable_1
```

Complex Attribute

```
index_1
```

variable_1 Simple Attribute

You can assign the following value to the template for one-dimensional current-voltage tables.

```
variable_1 : iv_output_voltage ;
```

index_1 Complex Attribute

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
    ...  
    iv_lut_template (my_template) {  
        variable_1 : iv_output_voltage ;  
        index_1 ("-1, -0.1, 0.8, 1.6, 2") ;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

1.9.20 lu_table_template Group

Use the `lu_table_template` group to define templates of common information to use in lookup tables. Define the `lu_table_template` group at the library level, as shown:

Syntax

```
library (name_string) {  
    ...  
    lu_table_template(name_string) {  
        variable_1 : value_enum ;  
        variable_2 : value_enum ;  
        variable_3 : value_enum ;  
        index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
        index_2 ("float, ..., float");  
        index_3 ("float, ..., float");  
        domain(domain_1_name_string) {  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
```

Group

```
domain
```

normalized_voltage Variable

The `normalized_voltage` variable is specified under the `lu_table_template` table to describe a collection of waveforms under various input slew values. For a given input slew in `index_1` (for example, `index_1[0] = 1.0 ns`), the `index_2` values are a set of points that represent how the voltage rises from 0 to VDD in a rise arc, or from VDD to 0 in a fall arc.

Note:

The `normalized_voltage` variable can be used only with driver waveform syntax. For more information, see the “Driver Waveform Support” section in the “Timing Arcs” chapter in the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

Syntax

```
lu_table_template (waveform_template) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : normalized_voltage;
    index_1 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6,
0.7");
    index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
}
```

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```
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    index_1 ("1.0"); /* Specifies the input net
transition*/
    index_2 ("0, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9, 1.0"); /* Specifies the voltage
```



```

normalized
                                to VDD */
values ("0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 1.1"); /* Specifies the time when

the
                                voltage reaches the index_2

values*/
}

```

The `lu_table_template` table represents an input slew of 1.0 ns, when the voltage is 0%, 10%, 30%, 50%, 70%, 90% or 100% of VDD, and the time values are 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 1.1 (ns). Note that the time value can go beyond the corresponding input slew because a long tail might exist in the waveform before it reaches the final status.

variable_1, variable_2, variable_3, and variable_4 Simple Attributes

In Composite Current Source (CCS) Noise Tables:

Use lookup tables to create the lookup-table templates for the following groups within the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups: the `dc_current` group and vectors of the `output_voltage_rise` group, `output_voltage_fall` group, `propagated_noise_low` group, and `propagated_noise_high` group.

You can assign the following values to the variables to specify the template used for the `dc_current` tables:

```

lu_table_template(dc_template_name) {
variable_1 : input_voltage;
variable_2 : output_voltage;
}

```

You can assign the following values to the variables to specify the template used for the vectors of the `output_current_rise` group and `output_current_fall` group.

```

lu_table_template(output_voltage_template_name) {

variable_1 : input_net_transition;
variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
variable_3 : time;
}

```

You can assign the following values to the variables to specify the template used for the vector's of the `propagated_noise_low` and `propagated_noise_high` group.

```

lu_table_template(propagated_noise_template_name) {
variable_1 : input_noise_height;
variable_2 : input_noise_width;
variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance;
}

```

```
variable_4 : time;
```

In Timing Delay Tables:

Following are the values that you can assign for `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3` to the templates for timing delay tables:

```
input_net_transition | total_output_net_capacitance |  
output_net_length | output_net_wire_cap |  
output_net_pin_cap |  
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance |  
related_out_output_net_length |  
related_out_output_net_wire_cap |  
related_out_output_net_pin_cap ;
```

The values that you can assign to the variables of a table specifying timing delay depend on whether the table is one-, two-, or three-dimensional.

In Constraint Tables:

You can assign the following values to the `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3` variables in the templates for constraint tables:

```
constrained_pin_transition | related_pin_transition |  
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance |  
related_out_output_net_length |  
related_out_output_net_wire_cap |  
related_out_output_net_pin_cap ;
```

In Wire Delay Tables:

The following is the value set that you can assign for `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3` to the templates for wire delay tables:

```
fanout_number | fanout_pin_capacitance | driver_slew ;
```

The values that you can assign to the variables of a table specifying wire delay depends on whether the table is one-, two-, or three-dimensional.

In Net Delay Tables:

The following is the value set that you can assign for `variable_1` and `variable_2` to the templates for net delay tables:

```
output_transition | rc_product ;
```

The values that you can assign to the variables of a table specifying net delay depend on whether the table is one- or two-dimensional.

In Degradation Tables:

The following values apply only to templates for transition time degradation tables:

```
variable_1 : output_pin_transition | connect_delay ;
variable_2 : output_pin_transition | connect_delay ;
```

The cell degradation table template allows only one-dimensional tables:

```
variable_1 : input_net_transition
```

The following rules show the relationship between the variables and indexes:

- If you have `variable_1`, you must have `index_1`.
- If you have `variable_1` and `variable_2`, you must have `index_1` and `index_2`.
- If you have `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`, you must have `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3`.

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```
lu_table_template (constraint) {
    variable_1 : related_pin_transition ;
    variable_2 : related_out_total_output_net_capacitance
;
    variable_3 : constrained_pin_transition ;
    index_1 ("1.0, 1.5, 2.0") ;
    index_2 ("1.5, 1.0, 2.0") ;
    index_3 ("1.0, 2.0, 1.5") ;
}
```

```
lu_table_template (basic_template) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance;
    index_1 ("0.0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.0");
    index_2 ("0.0, 2.0, 4.0, 6.0");
}
```

Syntax

```
calc_mode : namestring ;
```

name

The name of the associated process mode.

domain Group

In the case of a piecewise lookup table, use one or more `domain` groups in the `lu_table_template` group to specify subsets of the lookup table template. Variables

in a domain group can be the variables in the `lu_table_template` group.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  lu_table_template (template_namestring)
  {
    domain(domain_1_nameid)
    {
      ... domain description ...
    }
  }
}
```

domain_1_name

A string representing the name of the domain.

Simple Attributes

```
calc_mode
variable_1
variable_2
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
```

`calc_mode` Simple Attribute

An optional attribute, you can use `calc_mode` to specify an associated process mode.

Example

```
calc_mode : OC1 ;
```

`variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3` Simple Attributes

The variables in a domain group are a subset of the variables in the `lu_table_template` group.

1.9.21 `maxcap_lut_template` Group

The `maxcap_lut_template` group defines a template for specifying the maximum acceptable capacitance of an input or an output pin.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  maxcap_lut_template (template_nameid)
  {
    ... template description ...
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
```

variable_1 and *variable_2* Simple Attributes

The value you can assign to *variable_1* is *frequency*. The value you can assign to *variable_2* is *input_transition_time*.

index_1 and *index_2* Complex Attributes

Along with *variable_1* and *variable_2*, you must specify the index values.

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {
  ...
  maxcap_lut_template (my_template) {
    variable_1 : frequency ;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("100.0000, 200.0000") ;
    index_2 ("0.0, 0.0") ;
  }
  ...
}
```

1.9.22 maxtrans_lut_template Group

The `maxtrans_lut_template` group defines a template for specifying the maximum acceptable transition time of an input or an output pin.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  maxtrans_lut_template (template_nameid)
  {
    ... template description ...
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
```

variable_1 and *variable_2* Simple Attributes

The value you can assign to `variable_1` is `frequency`. The value you can assign to `variable_2` is `input_transition_time`.

index_1 and *index_2* Complex Attributes

Along with `variable_1` and `variable_2`, you must specify the index values.

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {
  ...
  maxtrans_lut_template (my_template) {
    variable_1 : frequency ;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("100.0000, 200.0000") ;
    index_2 ("0.0, 0.0") ;
  }
}
```

```

        values ("0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9,
1.1");
    }
    ...
}

```

1.9.23 *noise_lut_template Group*

The `noise_lut_template` group defines a template for specifying a noise immunity curve. Use the template to specify the input noise width output load and breakpoints that represent the input height table.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
    noise_lut_template (template_name_id)
    {
        ... template description ...
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

variable_1
variable_2

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2

```

variable_1 and variable_2 Simple Attributes

The values you can assign to `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_noise_width` and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

Along with `variable_1` and `variable_2`, you must define both `index_1` and `index_2`.

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;

```

Example

```

library (my_library) {
    ...
    noise_lut_template (my_template) {
        variable_1 : input_noise_width ;
        variable_2 : total_output_capacitance ;
        index_1 ("0, 0.1, 2") ;
        index_2 ("0, 2") ;
    }
    ...
}

```

1.9.24 *normalized_driver_waveform Group*

The library-level `normalized_driver_waveform` group represents a collection of driver waveforms under various input slew values. The `index_1` specifies the input slew and `index_2` specifies the normalized voltage. Note that the slew index in the `normalized_driver_waveform` table is based on the slew derate and slew trip points of the library (global values). When applied on a pin or cell with different slew or slew derate, the new slew should be interpreted from the waveform.

Simple Attributes

`driver_waveform_name`

Complex Attributes

`index_1`
`index_2`
 values

Syntax

```

normalized_driver_waveform(waveform_template_name)
{
    driver_waveform_name : string; /* Specifies the name
of
        the driver waveform table */
    index_1 ("float..., float"); /* Specifies input net transition
*/
    index_2 ("float..., float"); /* Specifies normalized voltage
*/
    values ( "float..., float", \ /* Specifies the time in library units
*/
        ..., \
        "float..., float");
}

```


Example

```
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    index_1 ("1.0"); /* Specifies the input net
transition*/
    index_2 ("0, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9, 1.0"); /* Specifies the voltage
        normalized to VDD */
    values ("0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 0.9, 1.1"); /* Specifies the time when
        the voltage reaches the index_2
values*/
}
```

driver_waveform_name Simple Attribute

The `driver_waveform_name` string attribute differentiates the driver waveform table from other driver waveform tables when multiple tables are defined. The cell-specific, rise-specific, and fall-specific driver waveform usage modeling depend on this attribute.

The `driver_waveform_name` attribute is optional. You can define a driver waveform table without the attribute, but there can be only one table in a library, and that table is regarded as the default driver waveform table for all cells in the library. If more than one table is defined without the attribute, the last table is used. The other tables are ignored and not stored in the library database file.

Syntax

```
driver_waveform_name : string ;
```

Example

```
normalized_driver_waveform (waveform_template) {
    driver_waveform_name : clock_driver ;
    index_1 ("0.15, 0.25, 0.35, 0.45, 0.55, 0.65,
0.75");
    index_2 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
    values ("0.012, 0.03, 0.045, 0.06, 0.075, 0.090,
0.105,
        0.13, 0.145", \
... ..
        "0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8,
0.9");
```

1.9.25 operating_conditions Group

Use this group to define operating conditions; that is, process, voltage, and temperature. You define an `operating_conditions` group at the library-level, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  operating_conditions (namestring)
  {
    ... operating conditions description ...
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
calc_mode : nameid ;
parameteri : float ;
process : float ;
temperature : float ;
tree_type : valueenum;
voltage : float ;
```

Complex Attribute

```
power_rail (string, float) ; /* one or more */
```

calc_mode Simple Attribute

An optional attribute, you can use `calc_mode` to specify an associated process mode.

Syntax

```
calc_mode : nameid ;

name
```

The name of the associated process mode.

*parameter*i** Simple Attribute

Use this optional attribute to specify values for up to five user-defined variables.

Syntax

```
parameteri : valuefloat ;
/* i = 1..5 */

value
```

A floating-point number representing the variable value.

process Simple Attribute

Use the `process` attribute to specify a scaling factor to account for variations in the outcome of the actual semiconductor manufacturing steps.

Syntax

```
process : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number from 0 through 100.

temperature Simple Attribute

Use the `temperature` attribute to specify the ambient temperature in which the design is to operate.

Syntax

```
temperature : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the ambient temperature.

tree_type Simple Attribute

Use the `tree_type` attribute to specify the environment interconnect model.

Syntax

```
tree_type : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are `best_case_tree`, `balanced_tree`, and `worst_case_tree`.

voltage Simple Attribute

Use the `voltage` attribute to specify the operating voltage of the design; typically 5 volts for a CMOS library.

Syntax

voltage : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number from 0 through 1000, representing the absolute value of the actual voltage.

power_rail Complex Attribute

Use the `power_rail` attribute in the `operating_conditions` group to specify a voltage value for each power supply.

Syntax

```
power_rail (power_supply_namestring,  
voltage_valuefloat) ;
```

power_supply_name

Specifies a power supply name that can be used later for reference. You can refer to it by assigning a string to the rail connection `input_signal_level` or the `output_signal_level` attribute.

voltage_value

Identifies the voltage value associated with the `power_supply_name`. The value is specified by the units you define in the library group `voltage_unit` attribute.

Example

```
operating_conditions (MPSS) {  
    calc_mode : worst ;  
    process : 1.5 ;  
    temperature : 70 ;  
    voltage : 4.75 ;  
    tree_type : worse_case_tree ;  
    power_rail (VDD1, 4.8) ;  
    power_rail (VDD2, 2.9) ;  
}
```

1.9.26 output_current_template Group

Use the `output_current_template` group to describe a table template for composite current source (CCS) modeling.

Syntax

```

library (name_string) {
    output_current_template(template_name_id) {
        variable_1 : value_enum ;
        variable_2 : value_enum ;
        variable_3 : value_enum ;
        index_1 : ("float, ..., float");
        index_2 : ("float, ..., float");
        index_3 : ("float, ..., float");
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

variable_1
variable_2
variable_3

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3

```

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

The table template specifying composite current source (CCS) driver and receiver models can have three variables: `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`. The valid values for `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_net_transition` and `total_output_net_capacitance`. The only valid value for `variable_3` is `time`.

index_1, index_2, and index3 Complex Attributes

Along with `variable_1` and `variable_2`, you must specify the index values.

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;

```

Example

```

library (my_library) {
    ...
    output_current_template (CCT) {
        variable_1 : input_transition ;
        variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance
    }
}

```

```

;
    variable_3 ; time ;
    index_1 ("0.1, 0.2") ;
    index_2 ("1.0, 2.0") ;
    index_3 ("0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5") ;
}
...
}

```

1.9.27 *output_voltage* Group

You define an `output_voltage` group in the `library` group to designate a set of output voltage level ranges to drive output cells.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
    output_voltage(name_string)
    {
        vol : float | expression ;
        voh : float | expression ;
        vomin : float | expression ;
        vomax : float | expression ;
    }
    output_voltage (name_string)
    {
        ... output_voltage description ... ;
    }
}

```

The value for `vol`, `voh`, `vomin`, and `vomax` is a floating-point number or an expression. An expression allows you to define voltage levels as a percentage of VSS or VDD.

vol

The maximum output voltage generated to represent a logic 0.

voh

The minimum output voltage generated to represent a logic 1.

vomin

The minimum output voltage the pad can generate.

vomax

The maximum output voltage the pad can generate.

[Table 1-7](#) lists the predefined variables you can use in an `output_voltage` expression attribute. Separate variables are defined for CMOS and BiCMOS.

Table 1-7 Voltage-Level Variables for the output_voltage Group

CMOS or BiCMOS variable	Default value
VDD	5V
VSS	0V
VCC	5V

The default values represent nominal operating conditions. These values fluctuate with the voltage range defined in the `operating_conditions` groups.

All voltage values are in the units you define with the `voltage_unit` attribute within the `library` group.

[Example 1-7](#) shows an example of an `output_voltage` group.

Example 1-7 output_voltage Group

```
output_voltage(GENERAL) {
    vol : 0.4 ;
    voh : 2.4 ;
    vomin : -0.3 ;
    vomax : VDD + 0.3 ;
}
```

1.9.28 part Group

You use a `part` group to describe a specific FPGA device. Use multiple `part` groups to describe multiple devices.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
    part(name_string)
    {
        ...device description...
    }
    part(name_string)
    {
        ...device description...
    }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
default_step_level
```

```
fpga_isd
num_blockrams
num_cols
num_ffs
num_luts
num_rows
pin_count
```

Complex Attributes

```
max_count
valid_speed_grade
valid_step_level
```

Group

```
speed_grade
```

default_step_level Simple Attribute

Use the `default_step_level` attribute to specify one of the valid step levels as the default for the FPGA device. You specify valid step levels with the `valid_step_levels` complex attribute.

Syntax

```
default_step_level : "nameid" ;
```

"name"

An alphanumeric string identifier, enclosed within double quotation marks, representing the default step level for the device.

Example

```
default_step_level ("STEP0") ;
```

fpga_isd Simple Attribute

Use this optional attribute to reference the `drive`, `io_type`, and `slew` information contained in a library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Syntax

```
fpga_isd : fpga_isd_nameid ;
```


fpga_isd_name

icThe name of a library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Example

```
fpga_isd : part_cell_isd ;
```

num_blockrams Simple Attribute

Use the `num_blockrams` attribute to specify the number of block select RAMs on the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
num_blockrams : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of block select RAMs on the device.

Example

```
num_blockrams : 10 ;
```

num_cols Simple Attribute

Use the `num_cols` attribute to specify the number of logic block columns on the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
num_cols : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of logic blocks on the FPGA device.

Example

```
num_cols : 30 ;
```

num_ffs Simple Attribute

Use the `num_ffs` attribute to specify the number of flip-flops on the device.

Syntax

```
num_ffs : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of flip-flops on the FPGA device.

Example

```
num_ffs : 2760 ;
```

num_luts Simple Attribute

Use the `num_luts` attribute to specify the total number of lookup tables available for the FPGA device. The `num_luts` value is used to determine the total number of slices that make up all the configurable logic blocks (CLBs) of the FPGA device, as shown in the following equation.

Syntax

```
num_luts : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of lookup tables on the FPGA device.

Example

```
num_luts : 100 ;
```

num_rows Simple Attribute

Use the `num_rows` attribute to specify the number of logic block rows on the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
num_rows : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of block rows on the FPGA device.

Example

```
num_rows : 20 ;
```

pin_count Simple Attribute

Use the `pin_count` attribute to specify the number of pins on the device.

Syntax

```
pin_count : valueint ;
```

value

An integer representing the number of pins on the FPGA device.

Example

```
pin_count : 94 ;
```

max_count Complex Attribute

Use the `max_count` attribute to specify the resource constraints for the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
max_count ( resource_nameid, valueint ) ;
```

resource_name

The name of the resource being constrained.

value

An integer representing the maximum constraint of the resource.

Example

```
max_count (BUGFGTS, 4) ;
```

valid_speed_grade Complex Attribute

Use the `valid_speed_grade` attribute to specify the various speed grades for the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
valid_speed_grade ("name_1_id",  
"name_2_id",  
..."name_n_id"  
);
```

"name_1", "name_2", "name_n"

A list of alphanumeric string identifiers, each enclosed within double quotation marks, represents the various speed grades for the device. Each identifier corresponds to an operating condition under which the library is characterized and under which the device is used.

Example

```
valid_speed_grade ("-6", "-5", "-4") ;
```

valid_step_levels Complex Attribute

Use the `valid_step_levels` attribute to specify the various step levels for the FPGA device.

Syntax

```
valid_step_levels ("name_1_id",  
"name_2_id",  
..."name_n_id"  
);
```

"name_1", "name_2", "name_n"

A list of alphanumeric string identifiers, each enclosed within double quotation marks, representing various step levels for the device. Each identifier corresponds to an operating condition under which the library is characterized and under which the device is used.

Example

```
valid_step_levels ("STEP0", "STEP1", "STEP2") ;
```

speed_grade Group

The `speed_grade` group associates a valid speed grade with a valid step level.

Syntax

```

part(name_string)
{
    ...
    speed_grade (name_string)
    {
        ...step_level description...
    }
}

```

name

Specifies one of the valid speed grades listed in the `valid_speed_grade` attribute.

Simple Attribute

`fpga_isd`

Complex Attribute

`step_level`

Example

```

speed_grade ( ) {
    ...
}

```

fpga_isd Simple Attribute

Use this optional attribute to reference the `drive`, `io_type`, and `slew` information contained in a library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Syntax

```
fpga_isd : fpga_isd_nameid ;
```

fpga_isd_name

The name of a library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Example

```
fpga_isd : part_cell_isd ;
```

step_level Complex Attribute

Use the `step_level` attribute to specify one of the valid step levels listed in the `valid_step_level` attribute.

Syntax

```
step_level (namestring) ;
```

name

The alphanumeric identifier for a valid step level.

Example

```
step_level ( ) ;
```

1.9.29 pg_current_template Group

In the composite current source (CCS) power library format, instantaneous power data is specified as 1- to n- dimensional tables of current waveforms in the `pg_current_template` group. This library-level group creates templates of common information that power and ground current vectors use.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)  
{  
  pg_current_template (template_nameid)  
  {  
    ... template description ...  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1  
variable_2  
variable_3  
variable_4
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
index_4
```

variable_1, variable_2, variable_3, and variable_4 Simple Attributes

The variable values can be `input_net_transition`, `total_output_net_capacitance`, and `time`. The last variable must be `time` and is required. The group can contain none or at most one `input_net_transition` variable. It can contain none or up to two `total_output_net_capacitance` variables.

index_1, index_2, index_3, and index_4 Complex Attributes

The index values are optional.

```
index_1 ("float, ...") ;
index_2 ("float, ...") ;
index_3 ("float, ...") ;
index_4 ("float, ...") ;
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {
  ...
  pg_current_template (my_template) {
    variable_1 : input_net_transition ;
    variable_2 : total_output_net_capacitance
  ;
    variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance
  ;
    variable_4 : time ;
    index_1 ("100.0000, 200.0000") ;
    index_2 ("0.0, 0.0") ;
    index_3 ("0.0, 0.0") ;
    index_4 ("0.0, 0.0") ;
  }
  ...
}
```

1.9.30 poly_template Group

Use the `poly_template` group to define a template of polynomials to be used by the timing group. For reference purposes, the `poly_template` group requires a name.

Syntax

```
library (library_name_id)
{
  ...
  poly_template(poly_template_name_id)
  {
```

```

        variables(variable_i_enum,
..., variable_n_enum) ;
        variable_1_range(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;
        ...
        variable_n_range(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;
        mapping(value_enum, power_rail_nameid) ;
        orders () ;
        domain(domain_name_id)
    {
        calc_mode : name_id ;
        variables(variable_i_enum,
..., variable_n_enum) ;
        variable_1_range(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;
        ...
        variable_n_range(min_value_float, max_value_float) ;
        mapping(value_enum, power_rail_nameid) ;
        orders () ;
    }
}
}

```

poly_template_name

The name of the template.

Complex Attributes

```

variables
variable_n_range
mapping
orders

```

Group

```

domain

```

variables Complex Attribute

Use the `variables` attribute to specify the name of a variable or a list of the variables that characterizes library cells for timing, noise immunity, and noise propagation. The variable or variables are used in the polynomial equations.

Note:

At least one variable name is required.

Syntax

```

variables(variable_1,..., variable_n) ;

```


variable_1, ..., variable_n

The values depend on the group as shown in the following.

The valid variables for a noise immunity template referenced by a noise immunity polynomial, such as `noise_immunity_high`, are:

```
input_noise_width | total_output_net_capacitance | voltage  
| voltagei | temperature | parametern
```

The valid variables for a noise propagation template referenced by a noise propagation group, such as `propagated_noise_height_high`, are:

```
input_noise_height | input_noise_width |  
input_noise_time_to_peak | total_output_net_capacitance |  
  
voltage, voltagei, temperature | parametern
```

The valid variables in a steady state group, such as `steady_state_current_high`, are:

```
iv_output_voltage | voltage | voltagei | temperature |  
  
parametern
```

The valid variables in a timing group are generally divided into four sets:

- Set 1
 - `input_net_transition` | `constrained_pin_transition`
- Set 2
 - `total_output_net_capacitance` | `output_net_length`,
`output_net_wire_cap` | `output_net_pin_cap` |
`related_pin_transition`
- Set 3
 - `related_out_total_output_net_capacitance` |
`related_out_output_net_length` |
`related_out_output_net_wire_cap` |
`related_out_output_net_pin_cap`
- Set 4
 - `temperature`, `voltage` | `voltagei`

In Set 4, `voltage` is the default power supply voltage for the design and `voltage1` is normally used only when your design requires dual power supplies for the cell; for example, for a level shifter.

For a one-dimensional polynomial, substitute the values in Sets 1 and 2 for *variable_1*. For a two-dimensional polynomial, substitute the values in Sets

1, 2, and 4 for *variable_1* and *variable_2*. For polynomials with three or more dimensions, substitute the values in Sets 1, 2, 3, and 4 for *variable_1*, *variable_2*, ..., *variable_n*.

Example

```
variables( temperature, voltage,  
          total_output_net_capacitance) ;
```

variable_n_range Complex Attribute

Use the *variable_n_range* attribute to specify the range of the value for the *n*th variable in the *variables* attribute.

Note:

A *variable_n_range* attribute is required for each variable listed in the *variables* attribute.

Syntax

```
variable_n_range(float, float) ;
```

float, *float*

Floating-point number pairs that specify the value range.

Example

```
variable_2_range(1.5, 2.0);
```

mapping Complex Attribute

The *mapping* attribute specifies the relationship between *voltage* attribute (as used in the polynomial) and the corresponding *power_rail* attribute defined in the *power_supply* attribute.

Note:

You can have no more than two *mapping* attributes in a *poly_template* group.

Syntax

```
mapping(valueenum, power_rail_nameid);
```

value

Valid values are `voltage` and `voltage1`.

power_rail_name

Identifies the corresponding power rail.

Example

```
mapping(voltage, VDD2) ;
```

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order for the variables for the polynomial.

Syntax

```
variable_n_range(float, float) ;
```

Example

```
variable_2_range(1.5, 2.0) ;
```

domain Group

In the case of a piecewise polynomial, use one or more `domain` groups in the `poly_template` group. The variables in a `domain` group are the same as the variables in the `poly_template` group.

Note:

A domain name is required and the name must be unique.

Syntax

```
library (library_name_id)  
{  
  poly_template (poly_template_name_id)  
  {  
    ...  
    domain (domain_name_id)  
    {  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attribute

calc_mode

Complex Attributes

variables
variable_n_range
mapping
orders

calc_mode Simple Attribute

Use the `calc_mode` attribute to specify the associated process mode.

Syntax

```
calc_mode : nameid ;
```

name

The name of the associated process mode.

Example

```
calc_mode : best ;
```

variables, variable_n_range, mapping, and orders Complex Attributes

For the description of how each of these attributes is used, see the [“poly_template Group”](#).

Example

```
domain (D1) {  
    calc_mode : best ;  
    variables (temperature, voltage,  
  
total_output_net_capacitance);  
    variable_1_range (1.5, 2.0);  
    variable_2_range (1.0, 2.0);  
    variable_3_range (1.0, 2.0);  
    mapping(voltage, VDD2) ;  
}
```

1.9.31 power_lut_template Group

The `power_lut_template` group is defined within the `library` group, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (name)
{
  power_lut_template (template_name)
  {
    variable_1 : input_transition_time |
total_output_net_capacitance
    |equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time |
total_output_net_capacitance
    |equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance ;
    variable_3 : input_transition_time |
total_output_net_capacitance
    |equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance ;
    index_1 ("float, ..., float");
    index_2 ("float, ..., float");
    index_3 ("float, ..., float");
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1
index_2
index_3
```

Group

```
domain
```

The `power_lut_template` group creates a template of the index used by the `internal_power` group (defined in a `pin` group within a cell).

The name of the template (*template_name*) is a name you choose that can be used later for reference.

Note:

A `power_lut_template` with the name `scalar` is predefined; its size is 1. You can refer to it by entering `scalar` as the name of a `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group within the `internal_power` group (defined in the `pin` group).

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

The `variable_1` attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the first dimensional variable used by the library developer to characterize cells in the library for internal power.

The `variable_2` attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the second dimensional variable the library developer uses to characterize cells in the library for internal power.

The `variable_3` attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the third dimensional variable the library developer uses to characterize cells in the library for internal power.

If the `index_1` attribute is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `pin` group that contains the `internal_power` group (defined in a `cell` group), the value for `variable_1` is `equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance`.

If the `index_1` attribute is measured with the input transition time of the pin specified in the `pin` group or the `related_pin` attribute of the `internal_power` group, the value for `variable_1` is `input_transition_time`.

If the `index_2` attribute is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `pin` group that contains the `internal_power` group (defined in a `cell` group), the value for `variable_2` is `equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance`.

If the `index_2` attribute is measured with the input transition time of the pin specified in the `pin` group or the `related_pin` attribute of the `internal_power` group, the value for `variable_2` is `input_transition_time`.

If the `index_3` attribute is measured with the loading of the output net capacitance of the pin specified in the `pin` group that contains the `internal_power` group (defined in a `cell` group), the value for `variable_3` is `equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance`.

If the `index_3` attribute is measured with the input transition time of the pin specified in the `pin` group or the `related_pin` attribute of the `internal_power` group, the value for `variable_3` is `input_transition_time`.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Complex Attributes

The `index_1` complex attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the breakpoints of the first dimension used to characterize cells for internal power within the library. The values specified in this attribute must be in a monotonically increasing order. You can overwrite the `index_1` attribute

by providing the same attribute in the `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group within the `internal_power` group (defined in the `pin` group). The `index_1` attribute is required in the `power_lut_template` group.

The `index_2` complex attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the breakpoints of the second dimension used to characterize cells for internal power within the library. You can overwrite the `index_2` attribute by providing the same attribute in the `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group within the `internal_power` group (defined in the `pin` group). The `index_2` attribute is required in the `power_lut_template` group if the `variable_2` attribute is present.

The `index_3` complex attribute in the `power_lut_template` group specifies the breakpoints of the third dimension used to characterize cells for internal power within the library. You can overwrite the `index_3` attribute in the `internal_power` group by providing the same attribute in the `fall_power` group, `power` group, or `rise_power` group within the `internal_power` group (defined in the `pin` group). The `index_3` attribute is required in the `power_lut_template` group if the `variable_3` attribute is present.

[Example 1-8](#) shows four `power_lut_template` groups.

Example 1-8 Four power_lut_template Groups

```
power_lut_template (output_by_cap) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
}
power_lut_template (output_by_cap_and_trans) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
    index_2 ("0.1, 1.0, 5.0") ;
}
power_lut_template (input_by_trans) {
    variable_1 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 5.0") ;
}
power_lut_template (output_by_cap2_and_trans)
{
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    variable_3 : equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance
;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
    index_2 ("0.1, 1.0, 5.0") ;
    index_3 ("0.1, 0.5, 1.0") ;
}
```

domain Group

In the case of a piecewise polynomial, use one or more domain groups in the `power_lut_template` group. The variables in a domain group are the same as the variables in the `power_lut_template` group. For more information about using a domain group, see [“domain Group”](#).

1.9.32 power_poly_template Group

Use the `power_poly_template` group to define a template of polynomials to be used by the `timing` group. For reference purposes, the `power_poly_template` group requires a name.

Syntax

```
library (library_name_id)
{
  ...
  power_poly_template(power_poly_template_name_id)
  {
    variables(variable_i_enum,
  ..., variable_n_enum) ;
    variable_1_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float) ;
    ...
    variable_n_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float) ;
    mapping(value_enum, power_rail_name_id) ;
    domain(domain_name_id)
  {
    calc_mode : name_id ;
    variables(variable_i_enum,
  ..., variable_n_enum) ;
    variable_1_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float) ;
    ...
    variable_n_range(min_value_float,
max_value_float) ;
    mapping(value_enum, power_rail_name_id) ;
  }
}
}

power_poly_template_name
```

The name of the template.

Complex Attributes


```
variables
variable_n_range
mapping
```

Group

```
domain
```

variables Complex Attribute

Use the `variables` attribute to specify the name of a variable or a list of the variables that characterize library cells for power; that is, the variables used in the polynomial equations.

Note:

At least one variable name is required. A maximum of seven variables is allowed.

Syntax

```
variables(variable_1_enum,..., variable_n_enum);
```

```
variable_1, ..., variable_n
```

Valid values for polynomial variables are:
equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance,
input_net_transition, total_output_net_capacitance,
output_net_length, temperature, voltage, voltage i , and
parameter i .

Example

```
variables( temperature, voltage,  
          total_output_net_capacitance) ;
```

variable_n_range Complex Attribute

Use the `variable_n_range` attribute to specify the range of the value for the n th variable in the `variables` attribute.

Note:

A `variable_n_range` attribute is required for each variable listed in the `variables` attribute.

Syntax

```
variable_n_range(value_1float, value_2float);
```

```
value_1, value_2
```

Floating-point number pairs that specify the value range.

Example

```
variable_2_range(1.5, 2.0);
```

mapping Complex Attribute

The `mapping` attribute specifies the relationship between the `voltage` attribute (as used in the polynomial) and the corresponding `power_rail` attribute defined in the `power_supply` attribute.

Note:

You can have no more than two mapping attributes in a `power_poly_template` group.

Syntax

```
mapping(valueenum, power_rail_nameid);
```

```
value
```

Valid values are `voltage` and `voltage1`.

```
power_rail_name
```

Identifies the corresponding power rail.

Example

```
mapping(voltage, VDD2) ;
```

domain Group

In the case of a piecewise polynomial, use one or more `domain` groups in the `poly_template` group. The variables in a `domain` group are the same as the variables in the `poly_template` group.

Note:

A domain name is required and the name must be unique.

Syntax

```

library (library_name_id)
{
  power_poly_template (power_poly_template_name_id)
  {
    ...
    domain (domain_name_id)
    {
      ...
    }
  }
}

```

Simple Attribute

```
calc_mode
```

Complex Attributes

```

variables
variable_n_range
mapping

```

calc_mode Simple Attribute

Use the `calc_mode` attribute to specify the associated process mode.

Syntax

```
calc_mode : name_id ;
```

name

The name of the associated process mode.

variables, variable_n_range, and mapping Complex Attributes

For the description of how each of these attributes is used, see the [“poly_template Group”](#).

1.9.33 *power_supply* Group

The `power_supply` group is defined in the `library` group, as shown here:

```

library (name) {
  power_supply (name) {
    default_power_rail : string ;
    power_rail(power_supply_name_string, voltage_value_float
  )
}

```

```

        power_rail (power_supply_name_string, voltage_value_float
    )
        ...
    }
}

```

Simple Attribute

```
default_power_rail
```

Complex Attribute

```
power_rail
```

The `power_supply` group captures all nominal information on voltage variation.

default_power_rail Simple Attribute

The `default_power_rail` attribute receives, by default, the value of the `voltage` attribute defined in the nominal `operating_conditions` group.

Syntax

```
default_power_rail : power_supply_name_string ;

power_supply_name
```

An identifier for the power supply.

Example

```
default_power_rail : VDD0 ;
```

power_rail Complex Attribute

The `power_rail` attribute identifies all power supplies that have the nominal operating conditions (defined in the `operating_conditions` group) and the nominal voltage values. The `power_supply` group can define one or more `power_rail` attributes.

Syntax

```
power_rail (power_supply_name_string, voltage_value_float)

power_supply_name
```

Specifies a power supply name that can be used later

for reference. You can refer to it by assigning a string to the rail connection `input_signal_level` or `output_signal_level` attribute.

voltage_value

A floating-point number that identifies the voltage value associated with the *power_supply_name*. The value is in the units you define within the `library` group `voltage_unit` attribute.

Example

```
power_rail (VDD1, 5.0) ;
```

[Example 1-9](#) shows a library containing a `power_supply` group.

Example 1-9 Library Example With power_supply Group

```
library (multiple_power_supply) {
    power_supply ( ) {
        /* Define before operating conditions and cells.
        */
        default_power_rail : VDD0 ;
        power_rail (VDD1, 5.0) ;
        power_rail (VDD2, 3.3) ;
        ...
    }
}
```

1.9.34 propagation_lut_template Group

The `propagation_lut_template` group defines a template for specifying noise propagation through a cell.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
    propagation_lut_template (template_name_string)
    {
        ... template description ...
    }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
variable_1
variable_2
```

```
variable_3
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3
```

variable_1, variable_2, and variable_3 Simple Attributes

The values you can assign to `variable_1` and `variable_2` are `input_noise_width`, `input_noise_height`, and `total_output_net_capacitance`.

index_1, index_2, and index_3 Complex Attributes

Along with `variable_1`, `variable_2`, and `variable_3`, you must define `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3`, as shown:

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
index_2 ("float, ..., float");  
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
```

Example

```
library (my_library) {  
    ...  
    propagation_lut_template (my_template) {  
        variable_1 : input_noise_width ;  
        variable_2 : input_noise_height ;  
        variable_3 : total_output_net_capacitance  
    ;  
        index_1 ("0.01, 0.2, 2") ;  
        index_2 ("0.2, 0.8") ;  
        index_2 ("0, 2") ;  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

1.9.35 *rise_net_delay Group*

The `rise_net_delay` group is defined at the library level, as shown here:

```
library (name) {  
    rise_net_delay(name) {  
        ... rise net delay description ...  
    }  
}
```

```

    }
    fall_net_delay (name){
    ... fall net delay description ...
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float,...,float") ;
index_2 ("float,...,float") ;
values ("float,...,float", "float,...,float");

```

The `rise_net_delay` and the `fall_net_delay` groups define, in the form of lookup tables, the values for rise and fall net delays. This indexing allows the library developer to model net delays as any function of `output_transition` and `rc_product`.

The net delay tables in one library have no effect on computations related to cells from other libraries.

To overwrite the lookup table default index values, specify the new index values before the net delay values.

[Example 1-10](#) shows an example of the `rise_net_delay` group.

Example 1-10 `rise_net_delay` Group

```

rise_net_delay (net_delay_template_table) {
    index_1 ("0, 1, 2") ;
    index_2 ("1, 0, 2") ;
    values ("0.00, 0.21", "0.11, 0.23") ;
}

```

See also [fall_net_delay Group](#).

1.9.36 `rise_transition_degradation` Group

The `rise_transition_degradation` group is defined at the library level, as shown here:

```

library (name) {
    rise_transition_degradation(name) {
    ... rise transition degradation description ...
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
values ("float, ..., float", "float, ...,float") ;

```

The `rise_transition_degradation` group and the `fall_transition_degradation` group describe, in the form of lookup tables, the transition degradation functions for rise and fall transitions. The lookup tables are indexed by the transition time at the net driver and the connect delay between the driver and a particular load. This indexing allows the library developer to model degraded transitions as any function of output-pin transition and connect delay between the driver and the load.

Transition degradation tables are used for indexing into any delay table in a library that has the `input_net_transition`, `constrained_pin_transition`, or `related_pin_transition` table parameters in the `lu_table_template` group.

The transition degradation tables in one library have no effect on computations related to cells from other libraries. [Example 1-11](#) shows an example of the `rise_transition_degradation` group.

Example 1-11 `rise_transition_degradation` Group

```

rise_transition_degradation (trans_deg) {
    index_1 ("0, 1, 2") ;
    index_2 ("1, 0, 2") ;
    values ("0.0, 0.6", "1.0, 1.6") ;
}

```

See also [“fall_transition_degradation Group”](#).

1.9.37 `scaled_cell` Group

You define a `scaled_cell` group within the `library` group to supply an alternative set of values for an existing cell, based on the set of operating conditions used.

Operating conditions are defined in the [“operating_conditions Group”](#).

Syntax

```

scaled_cell (existing_cell, operating_conditions_group)
{
    ... scaled cell description ...
}

```

existing_cell

The name of a cell defined in a previous `cell` group.

operating_conditions_group

The library-level `operating_conditions` group with which the

scaled cell is associated.

Simple Attributes

The following attributes are also defined in the cell group.

```
area : float ;
auxiliary_pad_cell : true | false ;
bus_naming_style : "string" ;
cell_footprint : footprint_type_string ;
cell_leakage_power : float ;
clock_gating_integrated_cell : string_value ;
contention_condition: "Boolean expression" ;
dont_fault : sa0 | sa1 | sa01 ;
dont_touch : true | false ;
dont_use : true | false ;
handle_negative_constraint : true | false;
is_clock_gating_cell : true | false ;
map_only : true | false ;
pad_cell : true | false ;
pad_type : clock ;
preferred : true | false ;
scaling_factors : group_name ;
single_bit_degenerate : string ;
/* black box, bus, and bundle cells only*/
use_for_size_only : true | false ;
vhdl_name : "string" ;
```

Complex Attributes

The following attributes are also defined in the cell group.

```
pin_equal ("name_list_string") ;
pin_opposite ("name_list1_string", "name_list2_string")
;
rail_connection (connection_name_string,
power_supply_name_string) ;
```

Group Statements

The following groups are also defined in the cell group.

```
bundle
bus
ff
ff_bank
generated_clock
latch
```

```
latch_bank
leakage_power
lut
mode_definition
pin
routing_track
statetable
test_cell
type
```

1.9.38 *sensitization Group*

The `sensitization` group defined at the library level describes the complete state patterns for a specific list of pins (defined by the `pin_names` attribute) that are referenced and instantiated as stimuli in the timing arc.

Vector attributes in the group define all possible pin states used as stimuli. Actual stimulus waveforms can be described by a combination of these vectors. Multiple sensitization groups are allowed in a library. Each sensitization group can be referenced by multiple cells, and each cell can make reference to multiple sensitization groups.

Syntax

```
library(library_name)
{
  ...
  sensitization (sensitization_group_name)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
pin_names
vector
```

1.9.39 *pin_names Complex Attribute*

The `pin_names` attribute specified at the library level defines a default list of pin names. All vectors in this sensitization group are the exhaustive list of all possible transitions of the input pins and their subsequent output response.

The `pin_names` attribute is required, and it must be declared in the sensitization group before all vector declarations.

Syntax

```
pin_names (string..., string);
```

Example

```
pin_names (IN1, IN2, OUT);
```

1.9.40 vector Complex Attribute

Similar to the `pin_names` attribute, the `vector` attribute describes a transition pattern for the specified pins. The stimulus is described by an ordered list of vectors.

The arguments for the `vector` attribute are as follows:

vector id

The `vector id` argument is an identifier to the vector string (a number tag that defines the list of possible sensitization combinations in a cell). The `vector id` value must be an integer greater than or equal to zero and unique among all vectors in the current sensitization group. It is recommended that you start numbering from 0 or 1.

vector string

The `vector string` argument represents a pin transition state. The string consists of the following transition status values: 0, 1, X, and Z where each character is separated by a space. The number of elements in the vector string must equal the number of arguments in `pin_names`.

The `vector` attribute can also be declared as:

```
vector (positive_integer, "{0|1|X|Z} [0|1|X|Z]...");
```

Syntax

```
vector (integer, string);
```

Example

```
sensitization(sensitization_nand2) {  
    pin_names ( IN1, IN2, OUT1 );  
    vector ( 1, "0 0 1" );  
    vector ( 2, "0 1 1" );  
    vector ( 3, "1 0 1" );  
    vector ( 4, "1 1 0" );  
}
```

1.9.41 scaling_factors Group

A `scaling_factors` group is defined within the `library` group. .

Syntax

```
library (name_string)  
{  
    scaling_factors ("name_string")  
}
```

```

{
  ... scaling factors ...
}
}

```

Simple Attributes

The `scaling_factors` group uses the simple scaling attributes (that is, those with the `k_` prefix) included in [Example 1-1](#).

1.9.42 *timing* Group

A `timing` group is defined in a bundle, a bus, or a `pin` group within a cell. The `timing` group can be used to identify the name or names of multiple timing arcs. A `timing` group identifies multiple timing arcs, by identifying a timing arc in a `pin` group that has more than one related pin or when the timing arc is part of a bundle or a bus.

The following syntax shows a `timing` group in a `pin` group within a `cell` group.

Syntax

```

library (name_string) {
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {
      timing (name | name_list) {
        ... timing description ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

1.9.43 *timing_range* Group

Use the `timing_range` group to specify scaling factors that control signal arrival time.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
  timing_range (name_string)
  {
    ... timing range description ...
  }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

faster_factor
slower_factor

```

faster_factor Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a scaling factor to apply to the signal arrival time to model the fastest-possible arrival time.

Syntax

```
faster_factor : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
faster_factor: 0.0 ;
```

slowest_factor Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify a scaling factor to apply to the signal arrival time to model the slowest-possible arrival time.

Syntax

```
slowest_factor : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the scaling factor.

Example

```
slowest_factor: 0.0 ;
```

1.9.44 type Group

If your library contains bused pins, you must define `type` groups and define the structural constraints of each bus type in the library. The `type` group is defined at the library group level, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (namestring)  
{  
  type (name) {  
    ... type description ...  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

name

Identifies the bus type.

Simple Attributes

```
base_type : base ;  
bit_from : integer ;  
bit_to : integer ;  
bit_width : integer ;  
data_type : data ;  
downto : true | false ;
```

base_type : base ;

Only the array base type is supported.

bit_from : integer ;

Indicates the member number assigned to the most significant bit (MSB) of successive array members. The default is 0.

bit_to : integer ;

Indicates the member number assigned to the least significant bit (LSB) of successive array members. The default is 0.

bit_width : integer ;

icDesignates the number of bus members. The default is 1.

data_type : data ;

Indicates that only the bit data type is supported.

downto : true | false ;

A true value indicates that member number assignment is from high to low. A false value indicates that member number assignment is from low to high.

[Example 1-12](#) illustrates a `type` group statement.

Example 1-12 type Group Description

```
type (BUS4) {  
  base_type : array ;  
  bit_from : 0 ;  
  bit_to : 3 ;  
  bit_width : 4 ;  
  data_type : bit ;
```

```

    downto : false ;
}

```

It is not necessary to use all attributes.

Example 1-13 Alternative type Group Descriptions

```

type (BUS4) {
    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 0 ;
    bit_to : 3 ;
}

```

```

type (BUS4) {
    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 3 ;
    downto : true ;
}

```

After you define a `type` group, you can use it in a `bus` group to describe bused pins.

1.9.45 user_parameters Group

Use the `user_parameters` group to specify default values for up to five user-defined process variables.

Define a `user_parameters` group in a `library` group as follows.

Syntax

```

library (name)
{
    user_parameters () {
        ... parameter descriptions...
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```
parameter i
```

parameteri Simple Attributes

Use each generic attribute to specify a default value for a user-defined process variable. You can specify up to five variables.

Syntax

```
parameter i : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing a variable value.

Example

```
parameter1: 0.5 ;
```

1.9.46 *wire_load* Group

A *wire_load* group is defined in a *library* group, as follows.

Syntax

```
library (name)  
{  
  wire_load (name) {  
    ... wire load description ...  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
area : float ;  
capacitance : float ;  
resistance : float ;  
slope : float ;
```

Complex Attribute

```
fanout_length
```

area Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify area per unit length of interconnect wire.

Syntax

```
area : valuefloat ;
```


value

A floating-point number representing the area.

Example

```
area: 0.5 ;
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify capacitance per unit length of interconnect wire.

Syntax

```
capacitance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the capacitance.

Example

```
capacitance : 1.2 ;
```

resistance Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify wire resistance per unit length of interconnect wire.

Syntax

```
resistance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the resistance.

Example

```
resistance : 0.001 ;
```

slope Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to characterize linear fanout length behavior beyond the scope of the longest length specified in the `fanout_length` attribute.

Syntax

slope : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number representing the slope in units per fanout.

Example

```
slope : 0.186
```

fanout_length Complex Attribute

Use this attribute to define values for fanout and length when you create the wire load manually.

Syntax

```
fanout_length ( fanoutint,lengthfloat,average_capacitancefloat,\  
               standard_deviationfloat,number_of_netsint ) ;
```

fanout

An integer representing the total number of pins, minus one, on the net driven by the given output.

length

A floating-point number representing the estimated amount of metal that is statistically found on a network with the given number of pins.

Examples

```
library (example)  
  ...  
  wire_load (small) {  
    area : 0.0 ;  
    capacitance : 1.0 ;  
    resistance : 0.0 ;  
    slope : 0.0 ;  
    fanout_length (1,1.68) ;  
  }  
}
```

```
library (example) {
```

```

...
    wire_load      ("90x90") {
        lu_table_template (wire_delay_table_template)
    {
        variable_1 : fanout_number;
        variable_2 : fanout_pin_capacitance;
        variable_3 : driver_slew;
        index_1("0.12,3.4");
        index_2("0.12,4.24");
        index_3("0.1,2.7,3.12");
    }
    }
}

```

1.9.47 *wire_load_selection* Group

A `wire_load_selection` group is defined in a library group, as follows.

Syntax

```

library (name)
{
    wire_load_selection (name)
    {
        ... wire load selection criteria ...
    }
}

```

Complex Attribute

```

wire_load_from_area (float, float, string) ;

```

Example

```

wire_load_selection (normal) {
    wire_load_from_area (100, 200, average) ;
}

```

1.9.48 *wire_load_table* Group

A `wire_load_table` group is defined in a library group, as follows.

Syntax

```

library (name)
{
    wire_load_table (name) {

```

```
    ... wire_load table description ...  
  }  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
fanout_area (integer, float) ;  
fanout_capacitance (integer, float) ;  
fanout_length (integer, float) ;  
fanout_resistance (integer, float) ;
```

Example

```
library (wlut) {  
  wire_load_table ("05x05") {  
    fanout_area (1, 0.2) ;  
    fanout_capacitance (1, 0.15);  
    fanout_length (1, 0.2) ;  
    fanout_resistance (1, 0.17) ;  
  }  
}
```

2. cell and model Group Description and Syntax

Every cell in a library has a cell description (a `cell` group) within the `library` group. A `cell` group can contain simple and complex attributes and other group statements. Every model in a library also has a model description (a `model` group) within the `library` group. A `model` group can include the same simple and complex attributes and group statements as a `cell` group, plus two new attributes that can be used only in the `model` group.

This chapter describes the attributes and groups that can be included within `cell` and `model` groups, with the exception of the `pin` group, which is described in [Chapter 3. “pin Group Description and Syntax.”](#)

This chapter is organized as follows:

- [cell Group](#)
 - Attributes and values
 - Simple attributes
 - Complex attributes
 - Group statements
- [model Group](#)
 - Attributes and values

Within each division, the attributes and group statements are presented alphabetically.

2.1 cell Group

A `cell` group is defined within a `library` group, as shown here:

```
library (name_string) {  
    cell (name_string) {  
        ... cell description ...  
    }  
}
```

2.1.1 Attributes and Values

[Example 2-1](#) lists alphabetically all the attributes and groups that you can define within a `cell` group.

Example 2-1 Attributes and Values for a cell Group

```
/* Simple Attributes for cell group */
```

```

always_on : true | false ;
antenna_diode_type : power | ground | power_and_ground ;
area : float ;
auxiliary_pad_cell : true | false ;
base_name : cell_base_name_string ;
bus_naming_style : "string" ;
cell_footprint : footprint_type_string ;
cell_leakage_power : float ;
clock_gating_integrated_cell : string_value ;
contention_condition: "Boolean expression" ;
dont_fault : sa0 | sa1 | sa01 ;
dont_touch : true | false ;
dont_use : true | false ;
driver_type : name_id ;
em_temp_degradation_factor : value_float ;
fpga_domain_style : name_id ;
handle_negative_constraint : true | false ;
interface_timing : true | false ;
io_type : name_id ;
is_clock_gating_cell : true | false ;
is_clock_isolation_cell : true | false ;
is_isolation_cell : true | false ;
is_level_shifter : true | false ;
is_macro_cell : true | false ;
is_soi : true | false ;
map_only : true | false ;
pad_cell : true | false ;
pad_type : clock ;
power_cell_type : ;
preferred : true | false ;
retention_cell : retention_cell_style ;
scaling_factors : group_name ;
single_bit_degenerate : string ;
/* black box, bus, and bundle cells only*/
slew_type : name_id ;
timing_model_type : "string" ;
use_for_size_only : true | false ;
vhdl_name : "string" ;

```

```

/* Complex Attributes for cell Group */

```

```

pin_equal ("name_list_string") ;
pin_opposite ("name_list1_string", "name_list2_string") ;
rail_connection (connection_name_string,
    power_supply_name_string) ;
resource_usage (resource_name_id, number_of_resources_id) ;

```

```

/* Group Statements for cell Group */

bundle (name_string) { }
bus (name_string) { }
clear_condition () {}
clock_condition () {}
dynamic_current () {}
ff (variable1_string, variable2_string) { }
ff_bank (variable1_string, variable2_string, bits_integer) { }
functional_yield_metric () {}
generated_clock () {}
intrinsic_parasitic () {}
latch (variable1_string, variable2_string) { }
latch_bank (variable1_string, variable2_string, bits_integer) {
}
leakage_current () {}
leakage_power () { }
lut (name_string) { }
mode_definition () {}
pin (name_string | name_list_string) { }
preset_condition () {}
retention_condition () {}
routing_track (routing_layer_name_string) { }
statetable ("input node names", "internal node names") { }
test_cell () { }
type (name_string) { }

```

Descriptions of the attributes and group statements follow.

2.1.2 Simple Attributes

This section lists, alphabetically, the simple attributes for the `cell` and `model` groups.

`always_on` Simple Attribute

The `always_on` simple attribute models always-on cells or signal pins. Specify the attribute at the cell level to determine whether a cell is an always-on cell. Specify the attribute at the pin level to determine whether a pin is an always-on signal pin.

Syntax

```
always_on : Boolean expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
always_on : true ;
```

antenna_diode_type Simple Attribute

The `antenna_diode_type` attribute specifies the type of the antenna-diode cell. Valid values are `power`, `ground`, and `power_and_ground`.

Syntax

```
antenna_diode_type : true | false ;
```

Example

```
antenna_diode_type : power ;
```

auxiliary_pad_cell Simple Attribute

See "[pad_cell Simple Attribute](#)".

base_name Simple Attribute

Use the `base_name` attribute to define a name for the output cell generated by VHDL or Verilog. If you omit this attribute, the cell is given the name "io_cell_name".

Syntax

```
base_name : "cell_base_nameid" ;
```

cell_base_name

An alphanumeric string, enclosed in quotation marks, representing a name for the output cell.

Example

```
base_name : "IBUF" ;
```

bus_naming_style Simple Attribute

Use the `bus_naming_style` attribute to define the naming convention for buses in the library.

Syntax

```
bus_naming_style : "string" ;
```


Example

```
bus_naming_style : "Bus%sPin%d" ;
```

cell_footprint Simple Attribute

Use the `cell_footprint` attribute to assign a footprint class to a cell.

Syntax

```
cell_footprint : class_nameid ;
```

class_name

A character string that represents a footprint class. The string is case-sensitive: And4 is different from and4.

Example

```
cell_footprint : 5MIL ;
```

Use this attribute to assign the same footprint class to all cells that have the same geometric layout characteristics.

Cells with the same footprint class are considered interchangeable and can be swapped during in-place optimization. Cells without `cell_footprint` attributes are not swapped during in-place optimization.

When you use `cell_footprint`, you also set the `in_place_swap_mode` attribute to `match_footprint`.

cell_leakage_power Simple Attribute

Use the `cell_leakage_power` attribute to define the leakage power of a cell. You must define this attribute for cells with state-dependent leakage power. If `cell_leakage_power` is missing or negative, the value of the `default_cell_leakage_power` attribute defined in the library is assumed.

Note:

Cells with state-dependent leakage power also need the `leakage_power` Group.

Syntax

```
cell_leakage_power : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number indicating the leakage power of the cell.

Example

```
cell_leakage_power : 0.2
```

The `cell_leakage_power` attribute is also recognized in the `scaled_cell` group, where it allows you to model nonlinear scaling of leakage power relative to certain process, voltage, and temperature conditions.

clock_gating_integrated_cell Simple Attribute

You can use the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute to enter specific values that determine which integrated cell functionality the clock-gating tool uses.

Syntax

```
clock_gating_integrated_cell:generic|value_id;
```

generic

When specified, the actual value is determined by accessing the state tables and state functions of the library cell pins.

value

A concatenation of up to four strings that describe the functionality of the cell to the clock-gating software:

The first string specifies the type of sequential element you want. The options are latch-gating logic and none.

The second string specifies whether the logic is appropriate for rising- or falling-edge-triggered registers. The options are posedge and negedge.

The third (optional) string specifies whether you want test control logic located before or after the latch or flip-flop, or not at all. The options for cells set to latch or flip-flop are precontrol (before), postcontrol (after), or no entry. The options for cells set to no gating logic are control and no entry.

The fourth (optional) string, which exists only if the third string does, specifies whether you want observability logic or not. The options are obs and no entry. [Table 2-1](#) lists some example values for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute.

Table 2-1 Some Values for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` Attribute

Value of <code>clock_gating_integrated_cell</code>	Integrated cell must contain
<code>latch_negedge</code>	1. Latch-based gating logic 2. Logic appropriate for falling-edge-triggered registers

latch_posedge_postcontrol	1. Latch-based gating logic 2. Logic appropriate for rising-edge-triggered registers 3. Test control logic located after the latch
latch_negedge_precontrol	1. Latch-based gating logic 2. Logic appropriate for falling-edge-triggered registers 3. Test control logic located before the latch
none_posedge_control_obs	1. Latch-free gating logic 2. Logic appropriate for rising-edge-triggered registers 3. Test control logic (no latch) 4. Observability logic

For more details about the clock-gating integrated cells, see the “Modeling Power and Electromigration” chapter in the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

Example

```
clock_gating_integrated_cell : latch_posedge_precontrol_obs
;
```

Setting Pin Attributes for an Integrated Cell

The clock-gating tool requires setting the pins of your integrated cells using the attributes listed in [Table 2-2](#). Setting some of the pin attributes, such as those for test and observability, is optional.

Table 2-2 Pin Attributes for Integrated Clock Gating Cells

Integrated cell pin name	Data direction	Required attribute
clock	in	clock_gate_clock_pin
enable	in	clock_gate_enable_pin
test_mode or scan_enable	in	clock_gate_test_pin
enable_clock	out	clock_gate_out_pin

Setting Timing for an Integrated Cell

You set both the setup and hold arcs on the enable pin by setting the `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute for the integrated cell to true. The setup and hold arcs for the cell are determined by the edge values you enter for the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` attribute. [Table 2-3](#) lists the edge values and the corresponding setup and hold arcs.

Table 2-3 Values of the `clock_gating_integrated_cell` Attribute

--	--	--

Value of clock_gating_integrated_cell attribute	Setup arc	Hold arc
latch_posedge	rising	rising
latch_negedge	falling	falling
none_posedge	falling	rising
none_negedge	rising	falling

contention_condition Simple Attribute

Specifies the contention conditions for a cell. Contention is a clash of “0” and “1” signals. In certain cells, it can be a forbidden condition and cause circuits to short.

Syntax

```
contention_condition : "Boolean expression";
```

Example

```
contention_condition : "ap * an" ;
```

dont_fault Simple Attribute

This attribute is used by test tools. It is a string attribute that you can set on a library cell or pin.

Syntax

```
dont_fault : sa0 | sa1 | sa01 ;
```

sa0, sa1, sa01

The value you enter determines whether the `dont_fault` attribute are placed on stuck at 0 (`sa0`), stuck at 1 (`sa1`), or stuck on both faults (`sa01`).

Example

```
dont_fault : sa0 ;
```

The `dont_fault` attribute can also be defined in the `pin` group.

dont_touch Simple Attribute

The `dont_touch` attribute with a true value indicates that all instances of the cell must remain in the network.

Syntax

```
dont_touch : valueBoolean ;
```

value

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
dont_touch : true ;
```

dont_use Simple Attribute

The `dont_use` attribute with a true value indicates that a cell should not be added to a design during optimization.

Syntax

```
dont_use : valueBoolean ;
```

value

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
dont_use : true ;
```

driver_type Simple Attribute

Use the `driver_type` attribute to specify the drive power of the output or the I/O cell.

Syntax

```
driver_type : nameid ;
```

name

An alphanumeric string identifier, enclosed in quotation marks, representing the drive power.

Example

```
driver_type : "4" ;
```

driver_waveform Simple Attribute

The `driver_waveform` attribute is an optional string attribute that allows you to define a cell-specific driver waveform. The value must be the `driver_waveform_name`

predefined in the `normalized_driver_waveform` table.

When the attribute is defined, the cell uses the specified driver waveform during characterization. When it is not specified, the common driver waveform (the `normalized_driver_waveform` table without the `driver_waveform_name` attribute) is used for the cell.

Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {  
    ...  
    driver_waveform : string;  
    driver_waveform_rise : string;  
    driver_waveform_fall : string;  
}
```

Example

```
cell (my_cell1) {  
    driver_waveform : clock_driver;  
    ...  
}  
cell (my_cell2) {  
    driver_waveform : bus_driver;  
    ...  
}  
cell (my_cell3) {  
    driver_waveform_rise : rise_driver;  
    driver_waveform_fall : fall_driver;  
    ...  
}
```

`driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` Simple Attributes

The `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` string attributes are similar to the `driver_waveform` attribute. These two attributes allow you to define rise-specific and fall-specific driver waveforms. The `driver_waveform` attribute can coexist with the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes, though the `driver_waveform` attribute becomes redundant.

You should specify a driver waveform for a cell by using the following priority:

1. Use the `driver_waveform_rise` for a rise arc and the `driver_waveform_fall` for a fall arc during characterization. If they are not defined, specify the second and third priority driver waveforms.
2. Use the cell-specific driver waveform (defined by the `driver_waveform` attribute).
3. Use the library-level default driver waveform (defined by the `normalized_driver_waveform` table without the `driver_waveform_name` attribute).

The `driver_waveform_rise` attribute can refer to a `normalized_driver_waveform` that is either rising or falling. It is possible to invert the waveform automatically during runtime if necessary.

Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {  
    ...  
    driver_waveform : string;  
    driver_waveform_rise : string;  
    driver_waveform_fall : string;  
}
```

Example

```
cell (my_cell1) {  
    driver_waveform : clock_driver;  
    ...  
}  
cell (my_cell2) {  
    driver_waveform : bus_driver;  
    ...  
}  
cell (my_cell3) {  
    driver_waveform_rise : rise_driver;  
    driver_waveform_fall : fall_driver;  
    ...  
}
```

`em_temp_degradation_factor` Simple Attribute

The `em_temp_degradation_factor` attribute specifies the electromigration exponential degradation factor.

Syntax

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in centigrade units consistent with other temperature specifications throughout the library.

Example

```
em_temp_degradation_factor : 40.0 ;
```

fpga_cell_type Simple Attribute

Specifies whether a tool interprets a combination timing arc between the clock pin and the output pin as a rising edge arc or as a falling edge arc.

Syntax

```
fpga_cell_type : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are `rising_edge_clock_cell` and `falling_edge_clock_cell`.

Example

```
fpga_cell_type : rising_edge_clock_cell ;
```

fpga_domain_style Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to reference a `calc_mode` value in a domain group in a polynomial table.

Syntax

```
fpga_domain_style : "nameid" ;
```

name

The `calc_mode` value.

Example

```
fpga_domain_style : "speed" ;
```

fpga_isd Simple Attribute

Use the `fpga_isd` attribute to reference the `drive`, `io_type`, and `slew` information contained in a library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Syntax

```
fpga_isd : fpga_isd_nameid ;
```

fpga_isd_name

The name of the library-level `fpga_isd` group.

Example


```
fpga_isd : part_cell_isd ;
```

handle_negative_constraint Simple Attribute

You use this attribute during generation of VITAL models to indicate whether a cell needs negative constraint handling. It is an optional attribute for timing constraints in a `cell` or `model` group.

Syntax

```
handle_negative_constraint : true | false ;
```

Example

```
handle_negative_constraint : true ;
```

interface_timing Simple Attribute

Indicates that the timing arcs are interpreted according to interface timing specifications semantics. If this attribute is missing or its value is set to `false`, the timing relationships are interpreted as those of a regular cell rather than according to interface timing specification semantics.

Syntax

```
interface_timing : true | false ;
```

The following example shows a cell with `interface_timing` set to `true`, indicating that interface timing semantics are to be applied.

Example

```
interface_timing : true ;
```

io_type Simple Attribute

Use the `io_type` attribute to define the I/O standard used by this I/O cell.

Syntax

```
io_type : nameid ;
```

name

An alphanumeric string identifier, enclosed in quotation marks, representing the I/O standard.

Example

```
io_type : "LVTTTL" ;
```

is_pad Simple Attribute

The `is_pad` attribute identifies a pad pin on any I/O cell. You can also specify the `is_pad` attribute on PG pins. The valid values are `true` and `false`. If the cell-level `pad_cell` attribute is specified on a I/O cell, the `is_pad` attribute must be set to `true` in either a `pg_pin` group or on a signal pin for that cell.

Examples

```
cell(INBUF) {
    ...
    pin(PAD) {
        direction : input;
        is_pad : true;
    }
}
```

In the following example, the `is_pad` attribute is specified on a PG pin:

```
cell (POWER_PAD_CELL) {
    ...
    pad_cell : true ;
    pg_pin (my_pg_pin) {
        is_pad : true ;
    }
    ...
}
pin (my_pin) {
    ...
}
```

is_pll_cell Simple Attribute

The `is_pll_cell` Boolean attribute identifies a phase-locked loop cell. A phase-locked loop (PLL) is a feedback control system that automatically adjusts the phase of a locally-generated signal to match the phase of an input signal.

Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {
    is_pll_cell : true;
    pin (ref_pin_name) {
        is_pll_reference_pin : true;
        direction : output;
    }
    ...
}
```

Example

```
cell(my_pll) {
  is_pll_cell : true;
  pin( REFCLK ) {
  direction : input;
  is_pll_reference_pin : true;
  }

  pin( FBKCLK ) {
  direction : input;
  is_pll_feedback_pin : true;
  }

  pin (OUTCLK1) {
  direction : output;
  is_pll_output_pin : true;
  timing() { /*Timing Arc*/
    related_pin: "REFCLK";
    timing_type: combinational_rise;
    timing_sense: positive_unate;
    cell_rise(scalar) { /*Can be a LUT as well to support NLDM and CCS
models*/
      values("0.0")
    }
  }
  timing() { /*Timing Arc*/
    related_pin: "REFCLK";
    timing_type: combinational_fall;
    timing_sense: positive_unate;
    cell_fall(scalar) {
      values("0.0")
    }
  }
}

  pin (OUTCLK2) {
  direction : output;
  is_pll_output_pin : true;
  timing() { /*Timing Arc*/
    related_pin: "REFCLK";
    timing_type: combinational_rise;
    timing_sense: positive_unate;
    cell_rise(scalar) { /*Can be a LUT as well to support NLDM and CCS
models*/
      values("0.0")
    }
  }
  timing() { /*Timing Arc*/
    related_pin: "REFCLK";
    timing_type: combinational_fall;
    timing_sense: positive_unate;
    cell_fall(scalar) {
      values("0.0")
    }
  }
}
```

```
}  
}
```

is_clock_gating_cell Simple Attribute

The cell-level `is_clock_gating_cell` attribute specifies that a cell is for clock gating.

Syntax

```
is_clock_gating_cell : true | false ;
```

Example

```
is_clock_gating_cell : true;
```

Set this attribute only on 2-input AND, NAND, OR, and NOR gates; inverters; buffers; and 2-input D latches.

is_clock_isolation_cell Simple Attribute

The `is_clock_isolation_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a clock-isolation cell. The default is `false`, meaning that the cell is a standard cell. For information about pin-level attributes of the clock-isolation cell, see [“clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin Simple Attribute”](#) and [“isolation_cell_enable_pin Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
is_clock_isolation_cell : true | false ;
```

Example

```
is_clock_isolation_cell : true ;
```

is_isolation_cell Simple Attribute

The cell-level `is_isolation_cell` attribute specifies that a cell is an isolation cell. The pin-level `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute specifies the enable input pin for the isolation cell.

Syntax

```
is_isolation_cell : true | false ;
```

Example

```
is_isolation_cell : true ;
```

is_level_shifter Simple Attribute

The cell-level `is_level_shifter` attribute specifies that a cell is a level shifter cell. The pin-level `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute specifies the enable input pin for the level shifter cell.

Syntax

```
is_level_shifter : Boolean expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
is_level_shifter : true ;
```

is_macro_cell Simple Attribute

The `is_macro_cell` simple Boolean attribute identifies whether a cell is a macro cell. If the attribute is set to true, the cell is a macro cell. If it is set to false, the cell is not a macro cell.

Syntax

```
is_macro_cell : Boolean expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
is_macro_cell : true ;
```

is_soi Simple Attribute

The `is_soi` attribute specifies that the cell is a silicon-on-insulator (SOI) cell. The default is false, which means that the cell is a bulk-CMOS cell.

If the `is_soi` attribute is specified at both the library and cell levels, the cell-level value overrides the library-level value.

Syntax

```
is_soi : true | false ;
```

Example

```
is_soi : true ;
```

For more information about the `is_soi` attribute and SOI cells, see the “Advanced Low-Power Modeling” chapter of the Liberty User Guide, Volume 1.

level_shifter_type Simple Attribute

The `level_shifter_type` attribute specifies the voltage conversion type that is supported. Valid values are:

LH

Low to High

HL

High to Low

HL_LH

High to Low and Low to High

The `level_shifter_type` attribute is optional.

Syntax

```
level_shifter_type : level_shifter_type_value ;
```

Example

```
level_shifter_type : HL_LH ;
```

map_only Simple Attribute

The `map_only` attribute with a `true` value indicates that a cell is excluded from logic-level optimization during compilation.

Syntax

```
map_only : true | false ;
```

pad_cell Simple Attribute

In a `cell` group or a `model` group, the `pad_cell` attribute identifies a cell as a pad cell.

Syntax

```
pad_cell : true | false ;
```

If the `pad_cell` attribute is included in a cell definition (`true`), at least one pin in the cell must have an `is_pad` attribute.

Example

```
pad_cell : true ;
```

If more than one pad cell can be used to build a logical pad, use the `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute in the cell definitions of all the component pad cells.

Syntax

```
auxiliary_pad_cell : true | false ;
```

Example

```
auxiliary_pad_cell : true ;
```

If the `pad_cell` or `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute is omitted, the cell is treated as an internal core cell rather than as a pad cell.

Note:

A cell with an `auxiliary_pad_cell` attribute can also be used as a core cell; a pull-up or pull-down cell is an example of such a cell.

pad_type Simple Attribute

Use the `pad_type` attribute to identify a type of `pad_cell` or `auxiliary_pad_cell` that requires special treatment.

Syntax

```
pad_type : value ;
```

Example

```
pad_type : clock;
```

power_cell_type Simple Attribute

Use the `power_cell_type` attribute to specify the cell type.

Syntax

```
power_cell_type : valueenum ;
```

value

Valid values are `stdcell` (standard cell) and `macro` (macro cell).

Example

```
power_cell_type : stdcell ;
```

power_gating_cell Simple Attribute

Note:

The `power_gating_cell` attribute has been replaced by the `retention_cell` attribute. See [“retention_cell Simple Attribute”](#).

The cell-level `power_gating_cell` attribute specifies that a cell is a power-switch cell. A power-switch cell has two modes. When functioning in normal mode, the power-switch cell functions as a regular cell. When functioning in power-saving mode, the power-switch cell's power supply is shut off.

The pin-level `map_to_logic` attribute specifies which logic level the `power_gating_cell` is tied to when the cell is functioning in normal mode.

Syntax

```
power_gating_cell : power_gating_cell_nameid ;
```

power_gating_cell_name

A string identifying the power-switch cell name.

Example

```
power_gating_cell : "my_gating_cell" ;
```

preferred Simple Attribute

The `preferred` attribute with a `true` value indicates that the cell is the preferred replacement during the gate-mapping phase of optimization.

Syntax

```
preferred : true | false ;
```

Example

```
preferred : true ;
```

This attribute can be applied to a cell with preferred timing or area attributes. For example, in a set of 2-input NAND gates, you might want to use gates with higher drive strengths wherever possible. This practice is useful primarily

in design translation.

retention_cell Simple Attribute

The `retention_cell` attribute identifies a retention cell. The `retention_cell_style` value is a random string.

Syntax

```
retention_cell : retention_cell_style ;
```

Example

```
retention_cell : my_retention_cell ;
```

scaling_factors Simple Attribute

Use the `scaling_factors` attribute to apply to a cell the scaling factor values defined in the `scaling_factors` group at the library level.

Syntax

```
scaling_factors : group_nameid ;
```

group_name

Name of the set of special scaling factors in a `scaling_factors` statement at the library level.

[Example 2-2](#) shows one of these special scaling factors in the library description and cell description.

Example 2-2 Individual Scaling Factors

```
library (example) {
  k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.987 ;
  ...
  scaling_factors(IO_PAD_SCALING) {
    k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.846 ;
    ...
  }
  cell (INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS) {
    area : 0 ;
    scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING ;
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

[Example 2-2](#) defines a scaling factor group called `IO_PAD_SCALING` that contains

scaling factors different from the library-level scaling factors. The `scaling_factors` attribute in the `INPAD_WITH_HYSTERESIS` cell is set to `IO_PAD_SCALING`, so all scaling factors set in the `IO_PAD_SCALING` group are applied to this cell.

sensitization_master Simple Attribute

The `sensitization_master` attribute defines the sensitization group referenced by the cell to generate stimuli for characterization. The attribute is required if the cell contains sensitization information. Its string value should be any sensitization group name predefined in the current library.

Syntax

```
sensitization_master : sensitization_group_name;
```

sensitization_group_name

A string identifying the sensitization group name predefined in the current library.

Example

```
sensitization_master : sensi_2in_1out;
```

single_bit_degenerate Simple Attribute

The `single_bit_degenerate` attribute names a single-bit library cell to link a multibit black box cell with the single-bit version of the cell.

Syntax

```
single_bit_degenerate : "cell_name_id";
```

cell_name

A character string identifying a single-bit cell.

Example

```
cell (FDX2) {
    area : 18 ;
    single_bit_degenerate : "FDB" ;
    /* FDB must be a single-
bit cell in the library*/
    bundle (D) {
        members (D0, D1) ;
        direction : input ;
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            ...
            ...
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
}
cell (FDX4) {
    area : 32 ;
    single_bit_degenerate : "FDB" ;
    bus (D) {
        bus_type : bus4 ;
        direction : input ;
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            ...
            ...
        }
    }
}
}

```

slew_type Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_type` attribute to specify the slew type for the output pins of the output or the I/O cell.

Syntax

```
slew_type : "nameid";
```

name

An alphanumeric string identifier, enclosed in quotation marks, representing the slew type.

Example

```
slew_type : "slow" ;
```

switch_cell_type Simple Attribute

The `switch_cell_type` cell-level attribute provides a description of the switch cell so that the switch cell does not need to be inferred through the other information specified in the cell.

Syntax

```
switch_cell_type : coarse_grain | fine_grain;
```

Example

```
switch_cell_type : coarse_grain ;
```

threshold_voltage_group Simple Attribute

The optional `threshold_voltage_group` attribute specifies a cell's category based on its threshold voltage characteristics.

Syntax

```
threshold_voltage_group : "group_name_id" ;
```

group_name

A string value representing the name of the category.

Example

```
cell () {  
    ...  
    threshold_voltage_group : "high_vt_cell" ;  
    ...  
    threshold_voltage_group : "low_vt_cell" ;  
    ...  
}
```

timing_model_type Simple Attribute

Indicates not to infer transparent level-sensitive latch devices from timing arcs defined in the cell. To indicate that transparent level-sensitive latches should be inferred for input pins, use the `tlatch` group.

Syntax

```
timing_model_type : "name_id" ;
```

name

Valid values are "abstracted", "extracted", and "qtm".

Example

```
timing_model_type : "abstracted" ;
```

use_for_size_only Simple Attribute

You use this attribute to specify the criteria for sizing optimization. You set this attribute on a cell at the library level.

Syntax

```
use_for_size_only : value Boolean ;
```

value

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
library(lib1){
  cell(cell1){
    area : 14 ;
    use_for_size_only : true ;
    pin(A){
      ...
    }
    ...
  }
}
```

vhdl_name Simple Attribute

In `cell`, `model`, and `pin` groups, this attribute resolves conflicts of invalid object names when porting from library database to VHDL. Some library database object names might violate the more restrictive VHDL rules for identifiers.

Syntax

```
vhdl_name : "nameid";
```

name

A name to substitute for the pin name when you write it out to VHDL.

Example

```
cell (INV) {
  area : 1 ;
  pin(IN) {
    vhdl_name : "INb" ;
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
  pin(Z) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "IN'" ;
    timing () {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.23 ;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.28 ;
      rise_resistance : 0.13 ;
      fall_resistance : 0.07 ;
      related_pin : "IN" ;
    }
  }
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

2.1.3 Complex Attributes

This section lists, alphabetically, the complex attributes for the `cell` and `model` groups.

input_voltage_range Attribute

The `input_voltage_range` attribute specifies the allowed voltage range of the level-shifter input pin and the voltage range for all input pins of the cell under all possible operating conditions (defined across multiple libraries). The attribute defines two floating values: the first is the lower bound, and second is the upper bound.

The `input_voltage_range` syntax differs from the pin-level `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` syntax in the following ways:

- The `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` attributes are defined on the input pins under one operating condition.
- The `input_signal_level_low` and `input_signal_level_high` attributes are used to specify the partial voltage swing of an input pin (that is, to prevent from swinging from ground rail VSS to full power rail VDD). Note that `input_voltage_range` is not related to the voltage swing.

Note:

The `input_voltage_range` and `output_voltage_range` attributes should always be defined together.

Syntax

```
input_voltage_range (float, float) ;
```

Example

```
input_voltage_range (1.0, 2.0) ;
```

output_voltage_range Attribute

The `output_voltage_range` attribute is similar to the `input_voltage_range` attribute except that it specifies the allowed voltage range of the level shifter for the output pin instead of the input pin.

The `output_voltage_range` syntax differs from the pin-level `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` syntax in the following ways:

- The `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` attributes are defined on the output pins under one operating condition.
- The `output_signal_level_low` and `output_signal_level_high` attributes are used to specify the partial voltage swing of an output pin (that is, to prevent from swinging from ground rail VSS to full power rail VDD). Note that

output_voltage_range is not related to the voltage swing.

Note:

The `input_voltage_range` and `output_voltage_range` attributes should always be defined together.

Syntax

```
output_voltage_range (float, float) ;
```

Example

```
output_voltage_range (1.0, 2.5) ;
```

pin_equal Complex Attribute

Use the `pin_equal` attribute to describe functionally equal (logically equivalent) groups of input or output pins.

Syntax

```
pin_equal ("name_list") ;
```

name_list

A list of input or output pins whose values must be equal.

Example

In the following example, input pins IP1 and IP0 are logically equivalent.

```
pin_equal ("IP1 IP0") ;
```

pin_name_map Complex Attribute

The `pin_name_map` attribute defines the pin names that are used to generate stimuli from the sensitization group for all timing arcs in the cell. The `pin_name_map` attribute is optional when the pin names in the cell are the same as the pin names in the sensitization master, but it is required when they are different.

If the `pin_name_map` attribute is set, the number of pins must be the same as that in the sensitization master, and all pin names should be legal pin names for the cell.

Syntax

```
pin_name_map (string..., string);
```

Example

```
pin_name_map (A, B, Z);
```

pin_opposite Complex Attribute

Use the `pin_opposite` attribute to describe functionally opposite (logically inverse) groups of input or output pins.

Syntax

```
pin_opposite ("name_list1",  
"name_list2");
```

name_list1, name_list2

A `name_list` of output pins requires the supplied output values to be opposite. A `name_list` of input pins requires the supplied input values to be opposite.

In the following example, pins IP and OP are logically inverse.

```
pin_opposite ("IP", "OP") ;
```

The `pin_opposite` attribute also incorporates the functionality of the `pin_equal` complex attribute.

In the following example, Q1, Q2, and Q3 are equal; QB1 and QB2 are equal; and the pins in the first group are opposite of the pins in the second group.

```
pin_opposite ("Q1 Q2 Q3", "QB1 QB2") ;
```

rail_connection Complex Attribute

Use the `rail_connection` attribute to specify the presence of multiple power supplies in the cell. A cell with multiple power supplies contains two or more `rail_connection` attributes.

Syntax

```
rail_connection (connection_name_id, power_supply_name_id) ;
```

connection_name

A string that specifies a power connection for the pin name.

power_supply_name

A string that specifies the power supply group already defined in the `power_supply` group at the `library` level to be used as the value for the `power_level` attribute in the `internal_power` group (defined in the `pin` group).

Example

```
cell (IBUF1) {  
    ...
```



```

    rail_connection (PV1, VDD1) ;
    rail_connection (PV2, VDD2) ;
    ...
}

```

resource_usage Complex Attribute

Use the `resource_usage` attribute to specify the name and the number of resources the cell uses.

Syntax

```
resource_usage ( resource_nameid, number_of_resourcesint ) ;
```

resource_name

An alphanumeric identifier that matches the first argument in a `max_count` attribute in the library. You can specify multiple `resource_usage` attributes with different resource names.

number_of_resources

An integer representing the number of resources the cell uses.

Example

```
resource_usage (RES1, 1) ;
```

2.1.4 Group Statements

This section lists, alphabetically, the group statements for the `cell` and `model` groups.

cell Group Example

[Example 2-3](#) shows cell definitions that include some of the CMOS cell attributes described so far.

Example 2-3 cell Group Example

```

library (cell_example){
    date : "December 12, 2003" ;
    revision : 2.3 ;
    scaling_factors(IO_PAD_SCALING) {
        k_volt_intrinsic_rise : 0.846 ;
    }
    cell (in){
        vhdl_name : "inpad" ;
        area : 0; /* pads do not normally consume
                  internal core area*/
        cell_footprint : 5MIL ;
    }
}

```

```

scaling_factors : IO_PAD_SCALING ;
pin (A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0;
}
pin (Z) {
    direction : output;
    function : "A";
    timing () {...}
}
}
cell(inverter_med){
    area : 3;
    preferred : true;
/* Application tools use this inverter first during optimization
*/
    pin (A) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin (Z) {
        direction : output;
        function : "A'";
        timing () { ...}
    }
}
cell(and_nand){
    area : 4;
    pin_opposite("Y", "Z");
    pin(A) {
        direction : input
        capacitance : 1
        fanout_load : 1.0
    }
    pinup) {
        direction : input
        capacitance : 1
        fanout_load : 1.0
    }
    pin (Y) {
        direction : output
        function : "(A * B)'"
        timing() {...}
    }
    pin (Z){
        direction : output
        function : "(A * B)"
        timing() {...}
    }
}
}

```

```

cell(buff1){
area : 3;
pin_equal ("Y Z");
  pin (A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
  }
  pin (Y) {
    direction : output;
    function : "A";
    timing () {...}
  }
  pin (Z) {
    direction : output;
    function : "A";
    timing () {...}
  }
}
} /* End of Library */

```

critical_area_table Group

The `critical_area_table` group specifies a critical area table at the cell level that is used for critical area analysis modeling. The `critical_area_table` group uses `critical_area_lut_template` as the template. The `critical_area_table` group contains the `defect_type`, `related_layer`, `index_1`, and `values` attributes.

Syntax

```

library(my_library) {
...
  critical_area_table (template_name) {
    defect_type : enum (open, short, open_and_short);
    related_layer : string;
    index_1 ("float...float");
    values ("float...float");
  }
}
}

```

Example

```

library(my_library) {
...
  critical_area_table (caa_template) {
    defect_type : short;
    related_layer : M1 ;
    index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16,
0.17");
    values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81, 0.95,
1.09");
  }
}

```

```
}  
...  
...
```

defect_type Attribute

The `defect_type` attribute value indicates whether the critical area analysis table values are measured against a short or open electrical failure when particles fall on the wafer. The following enumerated values are accepted: `short`, `open` and `open_and_short`. The `open_and_short` attribute value specifies that the critical area analysis table is modeled for both short and open failure types. If the `defect_type` attribute is not specified, the default is `open_and_short`.

Syntax

```
defect_type : enum (open, short, open_and_short);
```

Example

```
library(my_library) {  
  ...  
  critical_area_table (caa_template) {  
    defect_type : short;  
    related_layer : M1 ;  
    index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16,  
            0.17") ;  
    values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81, 0.95,  
           1.09") ;  
  }  
  ...  
  ...  
}
```

related_layer Attribute

The `related_layer` attribute defines the names of the layers to which the critical area analysis table values apply. All layer names must be predefined in the library's layer definitions.

Syntax

```
related_layer : string;
```

Example

```
library(my_library) {  
  ...  
  critical_area_table (caa_template) {  
    defect_type : short;  
    related_layer : M1 ;  
    index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16,  
            0.17") ;  
  }  
  ...  
  ...  
}
```

```

        values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81, 0.95,
              1.09");
    }
    ...
    ...

```

index_1 Attribute

The `index_1` attribute defines the defect size diameter array in the unit of `distance_unit`. The attribute is optional if the values for this array are the same as that in the `critical_area_lut_template`.

Syntax

```
index_1 ("float...float");
```

Example

```

library(my_library) {
    ...
    critical_area_table (caa_template) {
        defect_type : short;
        related_layer : M1 ;
        index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16,
              0.17");
        values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81, 0.95,
              1.09");
    }
    ...
    ...

```

values Attribute

The `values` attribute defines critical area values for nonvia layers in the unit of `distance_unit` squared. For via layers, the `values` attribute specifies the number of single cuts on the layer.

Syntax

```
values ("float...float");
```

Example

```

library(my_library) {
    ...
    critical_area_table (caa_template) {
        defect_type : short;
        related_layer : M1 ;
        index_1 ("0.08, 0.09, 0.1, 0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.16,
              0.17");
        values ("0.03, 0.08, 0.17, 0.28, 0.40, 0.54, 0.68, 0.81, 0.95,
              1.09");
    }

```

```
}  
...  
...
```

bundle Group

A `bundle` group uses the `members` complex attribute (unique to bundles) to group together in multibit cells—such as quad latches and 4-bit registers—several pins that have similar timing or functionality.

The `bundle` group contains the following three elements:

- The `members` complex attribute. It must be declared first in a `bundle` group.
- All simple attributes that also appear in a `pin` group.
- The `pin` group statement (including all the `pin` group simple and complex attributes, and group statements).

Syntax

```
library (nameid)  
{  
  cell (nameid)  
  {  
    single_bit_degenerate : string ;  
    bundle (string) {  
      members (string) ; /*Must  
be declared first*/  
      capacitance : float ;  
      ...  
      pin (Z0) {  
        capacitance : float ;  
        ...  
        timing () {  
          ...  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Note:

Bundle names, bundle elements, bundle members, members, and member pins are all valid terms for pin names in a `bundle` group.

Simple Attributes

All `pin` group simple attributes are valid in a `bundle` group. Following are examples of three simple attributes, which are described later in this section.

```
capacitance : float ;  
direction : input | output | inout | internal ;  
function : "Boolean" ;
```

Complex Attribute

```
members (name_id) ;
```

Group Statement

All `pin` group statements are valid in a `bundle` group.

```
pin (name_id | name_list_id) { }
```

pin Attributes in a bundle Group

The `pin` group simple attributes in a `bundle` group define default attribute values for all pins in that `bundle` group. The `pin` attributes can also appear in a `pin` group within the `bundle` group.

capacitance Simple Attribute

Use the `capacitance` attribute to define the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin.

Syntax

```
capacitance : value_float ;
```

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for capacitance include picofarads and standardized loads.

The following example shows a `bundle` group that defines a `capacitance` attribute value of 1 for input pins D0, D1, D2, and D3 in bundle D:

Example

```
bundle (D) {  
    members(D0, D1, D2, D3) ;  
    direction : input ;  
    capacitance : 1 ;  
}
```

direction Simple Attribute

The `direction` attribute states the direction of member pins in a `bundle` group.

The direction listed for this attribute should be the same as that given for the pin in the same `bundle` group (see the bundle Z pin in [Example 2-4](#)).

Syntax

```
direction : input | output | inout | internal ;
```

Example

In a `bundle` group, the direction of all pins must be the same. [Example 2-4](#) shows two `bundle` groups. The first group shows two pins (Z0 and Z1) whose direction is output. The second group shows one pin (D0) whose direction is input.

Example 2-4 Direction of Pins in bundle Groups

```
cell(inv) {
  area : 16 ;
  cell_leakage_power : 8 ;
  bundle(Z) {
    members(Z0, Z1, Z2, Z3) ;
    direction : output ;
    function : "D" ;

    pin(Z0) {
      direction : output ;
      timing() {
        intrinsic_rise : 0.4 ;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.4 ;
        related_pin : "D0" ;
      }
    }
    pin(Z1) {
      direction : output ;
      timing() {
        intrinsic_rise : 0.4 ;
        intrinsic_fall : 0.4 ;
        related_pin : "D1" ;
      }
    }
  }
  bundle(D) {
    members (D0, D1, D2, D3) ;
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    pin (D0 {
      direction : input ;
      ...
    }
  }
}
```



```

    }
}

```

function Simple Attribute

The `function` attribute in a `bundle` group defines the value of an output pin or inout pin in terms of the input pins or inout pins in the `cell` group or `model` group.

Syntax

```
function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

[Table 2-4](#) lists the Boolean operators valid in a function statement.

Table 2-4 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	invert previous expression
!	invert following expression
^	logical XOR
*	logical AND
&	logical AND
space	logical AND
+	logical OR
	logical OR
1	signal tied to logic 1
0	signal tied to logic 0

The order of precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

Pin Names as Function Arguments

The following example describes `bundle Q` with the function `A OR B`:

```

bundle (Q) {
    direction : output ;
    function : "A + B" ;
}

```

A pin name beginning with a number must be enclosed in double quotation marks preceded by a backslash (\), as in the following example.

```
function : " \"1A\" + \"1B\" " ;
```

The absence of a backslash causes the quotation marks to terminate the function string.

The following function statements all describe 2-input multiplexers. The parentheses are optional. The operators and operands are separated by spaces.

```
function : "A S + B S'" ;  
function : "A & S | B & !S" ;  
function : "(A * S) + (B * S')" ;
```

members Complex Attribute

The `members` attribute lists the pin names of signals in a bundle. It provides the bundle element names, and it groups a set of pins that have similar properties. It must be the first attribute you declare in a `bundle` group.

Syntax

```
bundle (namestring)  
{  
  members (member1, member2 ...  
);  
  ...  
}  
  
member1, member2 ...
```

The number of bundle members defines the width of the bundle.

Example

```
members (D1, D2, D3, D4) ;
```

If the `function` attribute has been defined for the bundle, the function value is copied to all bundle members.

Example

```
bundle(A) {  
  members(A0, A1, A2, A3);  
  direction : output ;  
  function : "B'+ C";  
  ...  
}
```

```

}
bundle(B) {
    members(B0, B1, B2, B3);
    direction : input;
    ...
}

```

The previous example shows that the members of the A bundle have these values:

```

A0 = B0' + C ;
A1 = B1' + C ;
A2 = B2' + C ;
A3 = B3' + C ;

```

Each bundle operand (B) must have the same width as the function parent bundle (A).

[Example 2-5](#) shows how to define a bundle group in a cell with a multibit latch.

Example 2-5 Multibit Latch With Signal Bundles

```

cell (latch4) {
    area: 16 ;
    single_bit_degenerate : FDB ;
    pin (G) { /* active-
high gate enable signal */
        direction : input ;
        ...
    }
    bundle (D){ /* data input with four member
                pins */
        members (D1, D2, D3, D4) ; /*must be
first
                attribute */
        direction : input ;
    }
    bundle (Q) {
        members (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4) ;
        direction : output ;
        function : "IQ" ;
    }
    bundle (QN) {
        members (Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N) ;
        direction : output ;
        function : "IQN" ;
    }
    latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
        enable : "G" ;
    }
}

```

```

        data_in : "D" ;
    }
}

```

pin Group Statement in a bundle Group

You can define attribute values for specific pins or groups of pins in a `pin` group within a `bundle` group. Values in a `pin` group override the default attribute values defined for the bundle (described previously).

Syntax

```

bundle(namestring)
{
    pin (namestring)
    {
        ... pin description ...
    }
}

```

The following example shows a `pin` group in a `bundle` group that defines a new `capacitance` attribute value for member A0 in bundle A.

Example

```

bundle (A) {
    pin (A0) {
        capacitance : 4 ;
    }
}

```

To identify the name of a pin in a `pin` group within a `bundle` group, use the full name of a pin, such as `pin (A0)` in the previous example.

All pin names within a single `bundle` group must be unique. Pin names are case-sensitive; for example, pins named `A` and `a` are different pins.

[Example 2-4](#) shows a `pin` group within a `bundle` group.

bus Group

A `bus` group, defined in a `cell` group or a `model` group, defines the bused pins in the library. Before you can define a `bus` group you must first define a `type` group at the library level.

From the `type` group you define at the library level, use the type name (`bus4` in [Example 2-6](#)) as the value for the `bus_type` attribute in the `bus` group in the same library.

[Example 2-6](#) shows a `bus` group in a `cell` group.

Example 2-6 Bused Pins

```
library (ExamBus) {
  type (bus4) { /* bus name */
    bit_width : 4 ; /* number of bused pins */
    ...
    ...
  }
  cell (bused cell) {
    ...
    bus (A) {
      bus_type : bus4 ; /* bus name */
      ...
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

You can use all the `pin` simple attributes in a `bus` group, plus the following attribute.

```
bus_type : name ;
```

Group Statement

```
pin (namestring | name_liststring)
{ }
```

All group statements that appear in a `pin` group are valid in a `bus` group.

bus_type Simple Attribute

The `bus_type` attribute is a required element of all `bus` groups. The attribute defines the type of bus. It must be the first attribute declared in a `bus` group.

Syntax

```
bus_type : name ;

name
```

Define this name in the applicable `type` group in the library, as shown in [Example 2-6](#).

pin Simple Attributes in a bus Group

The `pin` simple attributes in a `bus` group define default attribute values for all pins in the `bus` group.

Note:

Bus names, bus members, bus pins, bused pins, pins, members, member numbers, and range of bus members are valid terms for pin names in a bus group.

All pin group simple attributes are valid within a bus group and within a pin group in a bus group.

The capacitance and direction attributes are frequently used in bus groups.

capacitance Simple Attribute

Use the `capacitance` attribute to define the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin.

Syntax

```
capacitance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for capacitance include picofarads and standardized loads.

The following example shows a bus group that defines bus A with default values assigned for direction and capacitance.

Example

```
bus (A) {  
    bus_type : bus1 ;  
    direction : input ;  
    capacitance : 3 ;  
}
```

direction Simple Attribute

The `direction` attribute states the direction of bus members (pins) in a bus group.

The value of the `direction` attribute of all bus members (pins) in a bus group must be the same. (See [Example 2-7](#) for a bus group with more than one pin.)

Syntax

```
direction : input | output | inout | internal ;
```

Example

```
direction : inout ;
```

pin Group Statement in a bus Group

This group defines attribute values for specific bused pins or groups of bused pins in a `pin` group within a `bus` group. Values used in a `pin` group within a `bus` group override the defined default bus pin attribute values described previously.

Note:

You can use a defined bus or buses in Boolean expressions in the function attribute of a pin in a `bus` group, as shown in [Example 2-7](#).

The following example shows a bus pin group that defines a new capacitance attribute value for member AO in bus A.

```
bus(A) {
  pin (AO) {
    capacitance : 4 ;
  }
}
```

To identify the name of a bused pin in a `pin` group within a `bus` group, use the full name of the pin. You can identify bus member numbers as single numbers or as a range of numbers separated by a colon. No spaces can appear between the colon and the member numbers.

Example

```
pin (A[0:2]) {}
```

The next example shows a `pin` group within a `bus` group that defines a new capacitance attribute value for a single pin number.

```
bus(A) {
  pin (A) {
    capacitance : 4 ;
  }
}
```

The next example shows a `pin` group within a `bus` group that defines a new capacitance attribute value for bus members 0, 1, 2, and 3 in bus A.

```
bus(A) {
```

```

    pin (A[0:3]) {
        capacitance : 4 ;
    }
}

```

Example Bus Description–Technology Library

[Example 2-7](#) illustrates a complete bus description that includes a library-defined type group and cell-defined bus groups. The example also illustrates the use of bus variables in a function attribute in a pin group and in a related_pin attribute in a timing group.

Example 2-7 Bus Description

```

library (ExamBus) {
    date : "November 12, 2000" ;
    revision : 2.3 ;
    bus_naming_style : "%s[%d]" ;
    /* Optional; this is the default */
    type (bus4) {
        base_type : array ;/* Required */
        data_type : bit ;/* Required if base_type is array
*/
        bit_width : 4 ;/* Optional; default is 1
*/
        bit_from : 0 ;/* Optional MSB; defaults to 0
*/
        bit_to : 3 ;/* Optional LSB; defaults to 0
*/
        downto : false ;/* Optional; defaults to false
*/
    }
    cell (bused_cell) {
        area : 10 ;
        single_bit_degenerate : FDB ;
        bus (A) {
            bus_type : bus4 ;
            direction : input ;
            capacitance : 3 ;
            pin (A[0:2]) {
                capacitance : 2 ;
            }
            pin (A[3]) {
                capacitance : 2.5 ;
            }
        }
        bus (B) {
            bus_type : bus4 ;
            direction : input ;

```



```

        capacitance : 2 ;
    }
bus (E) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance 2 ;
}
bus(X) {
    bus_type : bus4 ;
    direction : output ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    pin (X[0:3]) {
        function : "A & B'" ;
        timing() {
            related_pin : "A B" ;
            /* A[0] and B[0] are related to
X[0],
            A[1] and B[1] are related to X[1], etc.
*/
        }
    }
}
bus (Y) {
    bus_type : bus4 ;
    direction : output ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    pin (Y[0:3]) {
        function : "B" ;
        three_state : "!E" ;
        timing () {
            related_pin : "A[0:3] B E" ;
        }
    }
}
bus (Z) {
    bus_type : bus4 ;
    direction : output ;
    pin (Z[0:1]) {
        function : "!A[0:1]" ;
        timing () {
            related_pin : "A[0:1]" ;
        }
    }
    pin (Z[2]) {
        function "A[2]" ;
        timing () {
            related_pin : "A[2]" ;
        }
    }
    pin (Z[3]) {
        function : "!A[3]" ;
    }
}

```



```
default_value_selection_method_rise
default_value_selection_method_fall
merge_tolerance_abs
merge_tolerance_rel
merge_selection
```

Example

```
cell (cell_test) {
  char_config() {
    /* input driver for cell_test specifically */
    driver_waveform (all, input_driver_cell_test)
  ;
    default_value_selection_method (constraint, max) ;

    default_value_selection_method_rise(nldm_transition, min)
  ;
    default_value_selection_method_fall(nldm_transition, max)
  ;
    ...
  }
}
```

For more information about the `char_config` group and the group attributes, see [“char_config Group”](#).

clear_condition Group

The `clear_condition` group is a group of attributes that specify the condition for the clear signal when a retention cell operates in the normal mode.

If the clear signal is asserted during the restore event, it needs to be active for a time longer than the restore event so that the flip-flop content is successfully overwritten. Therefore, the clear pin must be checked at the trailing edge.

Syntax

```
clear_condition() {
  input : "Boolean_expression" ;
  required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
}
```

Example

```
clear_condition() {
  input : "!RN"; /* When clear de-asserts, RET must be high to allow
                 the low value to be transferred */
  required_condition : "RET";
}
```

Simple Attributes

input
required_condition

input Attribute

The `input` attribute must be identical to the `clear` attribute in the `ff` group and defines how the asynchronous clear control is asserted.

Syntax

```
input : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
input : "!RN" ;
```

required_condition Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the input condition during the active edge of the clear signal. The `required_condition` attribute is checked at the trailing edge of the clear signal. When the input condition is not met, the cell is in an illegal state.

Syntax

```
required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
required_condition : "RET" ;
```

clock_condition Group

The `clock_condition` group is a group of attributes that specify the input conditions for correct clock signal during clock-based events.

The `clock_condition` group includes two classes of attributes: attributes without the `_also` suffix and attributes with the `_also` suffix. They are similar to the `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes of the `ff` group.

Syntax

```
clock_condition() {  
  clocked_on : "Boolean_expression";  
  required_condition : "Boolean_expression";  
  hold_state : L|H|N ;  
  clocked_on_also : "Boolean_expression";  
  required_condition_also : "Boolean_expression";  
  hold_state_also : L|H|N;  
}
```

Example

```
clock_condition() {  
    clocked_on : "CK"; /* clock must be Low to go into retention mode */  
    hold_state : "N"; /* when clock switches (either  
        direction), RET must be High */  
    required_condition : "RET";  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
clocked_on  
clocked_on_also  
required_condition  
required_condition_also  
hold_state  
hold_state_also
```

clocked_on Attribute

The `clocked_on` attribute must be identical to the `clocked_on` attribute of the `ff` or `ff_bank` group.

Syntax

```
clocked_on : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
clocked_on : "CK" ;
```

clocked_on_also Attribute

The `clocked_on_also` attribute must be identical to the `clocked_on_also` attribute of the `ff` or `ff_bank` group.

Syntax

```
clocked_on_also : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
clocked_on_also : "CK" ;
```

required_condition Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the input conditions during the active edge of the clock signal. If the conditions are not met, the cell is in an illegal state.

Syntax

```
required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
required_condition : "RET" ;
```

required_condition_also Attribute

The `required_condition_also` attribute specifies the input conditions during the active edge of the clock signal. If the conditions are not met, the cell is in an illegal state. It is evaluated at the rising edge of the clock signal specified by the `clocked_on_also` attribute. If the `clocked_on_also` attribute is not specified, it is evaluated at the negative edge of the clock signal specified by the `clocked_on` attribute.

Syntax

```
required_condition_also : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
required_condition_also : "RET" ;
```

hold_state Attribute

The `hold_state` attribute specifies the values for the Boolean expression of the `clocked_on` attribute during the retention mode. Valid values are `L`, `H`, or `N` that represent low, high, or no-change respectively.

If retention data is restored to both master and slave latches, the `hold_state` is `N`. If retention data is restored only to the slave latch, the `hold_state` attribute is `L` for the slave latch to keep the data.

Syntax

```
hold_state : "L | H | N" ;
```

Example

```
hold_state : "L" ;
```

hold_state_also Attribute

The `hold_state_also` attribute specifies the values for the Boolean expression of the `clocked_on_also` attribute during the retention mode. Valid values are `L`, `H`, or `N` that represent low, high, or no-change respectively.

Syntax

```
hold_state_also : "L | H | N" ;
```

Example

```
hold_state_also : "L" ;
```

dynamic_current Group

Use the `dynamic_current` group to specify a current waveform vector when the power and ground current is dependent on the logical condition of a cell. A `dynamic_current` group is defined in a `cell` group, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    dynamic_current () {
      when : boolean expression;
      related_inputs : input_pin_name;
      related_outputs : output_pin_name;
      typical_capacitances("float, ...");
      event (mode_definition_name, event_name);
      switching_group() {
        input_switching_condition(enum(rise, fall));
        output_switching_condition(enum(rise, fall));
        pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
          vector(template_name) {
            reference_time : float;
            index_output : output_pin_name;
            index_1(float);
            ...
            index_n(float);
            index_n+1("float, ...");
            values("float, ...");
          } /* vector */
          ...
        } /* pg_current */
        ...
      } /* switching_group */
      ...
    } /* dynamic_current */
    ...
  } /* cell */
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
related_inputs
related_outputs
typical_capacitances
when
```

Group Statement

switching_group

ff, latch, ff_bank, and latch_bank Groups

The `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, and `latch_bank` groups define sequential blocks. These groups are defined at the cell level. One or more groups can be specified within a cell group.

reference_pin_names Variable

The optional, user-defined *reference_pin_names* variable specifies internal reference input nodes used within the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` groups. If the *reference_pin_names* variable is not specified, the node names used within the `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` group are assumed to be actual pin or bus names within the cell.

variable1 and *variable2* Variables

The `variable1` and `variable2` variables define internal reference output nodes. The `variable1` and `variable2` values in those groups must be unique within a cell.

bits Variable

The `bits` variable defines the width of the `ff_bank` and `latch_bank` component.

related_inputs Simple Attribute

This attribute defines the input condition of input pins. If only one input is switching during the time period, the input condition is defined as “single input event.” If more than one input pin is switching, the input condition is defined as “multiple input events.”

- This attribute is required.
- A list of input pins can be specified in the attribute.
- Because “single input event” is supported, exactly one of the input pins in the list must be toggling to match the input condition.
- “Multiple input events” are not supported.
- The pins in the list can be in any order.
- Bus and bundle are supported.

Syntax

```
related_inputs : input_pin_name;
```

input_pin_name

Name of input pin.

Example


```
related_inputs : A ;
```

related_outputs Simple Attribute

The `related_outputs` attribute defines the output condition of specified output pins. If no toggling output occurs as a trigger event is given, the condition is called a “nonpropagating event.” If an event propagates through the cell and causes at least one output toggling, then it is called a “propagating event.”

- This attribute is optional.
- A list of output pins can be specified in the attribute.
- A “single input event” matches the output condition for all toggling output pins in the list.
- The pins in the list can be in any order.
- Bus and bundle are supported only in bit level.
- For a standard cell, if the attribute is specified, it represents a “propagating event.” Otherwise, if it is missing, it represents a “nonpropagating event.”
- There is no `related_outputs` attribute for macro cells. Therefore, you do not need to distinguish between nonpropagating and propagating event tables.

Syntax

```
related_outputs : output_pin_name ;
```

output_pin_name

Name of output pin.

Example

```
related_outputs : D ;
```

typical_capacitances Simple Attribute

The `typical_capacitances` attribute specifies the values of the capacitance for all the output pins specified in the `related_outputs` attribute. The values are specified in the order of the corresponding output pins specified by the `related_outputs` attribute. For example:

```
...  
/* the fixed capacitance of Q1 is 10.0, Q2 is 20.0, and Q3  
is 30.0. */  
related_outputs : "Q1 Q2 Q3";  
typical_capacitances(10.0 20.0 30.0);  
...
```

The attribute is required for cross type. If data in the vector group is not defined as a sparse cross table, the specified values in the attribute are ignored.

Syntax

```
typical_capacitances ("float, ...");
```

float

Value of capacitance on pin.

Example

```
typical_capacitances (10.0 20.0);
```

when Simple Attribute

Use the `when` attribute to specify a state-dependent condition that determines whether the instantaneous power data can be accessed.

Syntax

`when` : *boolean expression*

boolean expression

Expression determines whether the instantaneous power data is accessed.

switching_group Group

Use the `switching_group` group to specify a current waveform vector when the power and ground current is dependent on pin switching conditions.

```
library (name) {  
  cell (name) {  
    dynamic_current () {  
      ...  
      switching_group() {  
        ... switching_group description ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
input_switching_condition  
output_switching_condition  
min_input_switching_count  
max_input_switching_count
```

Group

`pg_current`

input_switching_condition Simple Attribute

The `input_switching_condition` attribute specifies the sense of the toggling input. If more than one `switching_group` group is specified within the `dynamic_current` group, you can place the attribute in any order.

The valid values are `rise` and `fall`. `rise` represents a rising pin and `fall` represents a falling pin.

Syntax

```
input_switching_condition (enum(rise, fall));  
  
enum(rise, fall)
```

Enumerated type specifying the rise or fall condition.

Example

```
input_switching_condition (rise);
```

output_switching_condition Simple Attribute

Use the `output_switching_condition` attribute to specify the sense of the toggling output. If there is more than one `switching_group` group specified within the `dynamic_current` group, you can place the attribute in any order. The order in the list of the `output_switching_condition` attribute is mapped to the same order of output pins in the `related_outputs` attribute.

The valid values are `rise` and `fall`. `rise` represents a rising pin and `fall` represents a falling pin.

Syntax

```
output_switching_condition (enum(rise, fall));  
  
enum(rise, fall)
```

Enumerated type specifying the rise or fall condition.

Example

```
output_switching_condition (rise, fall);
```

min_input_switching_count Simple Attribute

The `min_input_switching_count` attribute specifies the minimum number of bits in the input bus that are switching simultaneously. The following applies to the `min_input_switching_count` attribute:

- The count must be an integer.
- The count must be greater than 0 and less than the `max_input_switching_count` value.

Syntax

```
switching_group()
{
  min_input_switching_count : integer ;
  max_input_switching_count : integer ;
  ...
}
```

Example

```
switching_group() {
  min_input_switching_count : 1 ;
  max_input_switching_count : 3 ;
  ...
}
```

max_input_switching_count Attribute

The `max_input_switching_count` attribute specifies the maximum number of bits in the input bus that are switching simultaneously. The following applies to the `max_input_switching_count` attribute:

- The count must be an integer.
- The count must be greater than the `min_input_switching_count` value.
- The count within a `dynamic_current` should cover the total number of input bits specified in `related_inputs`.

Syntax

```
switching_group()
{
  min_input_switching_count : integer ;
  max_input_switching_count : integer ;
  ...
}
```

Example

```
switching_group() {
  min_input_switching_count : 1 ;
  max_input_switching_count : 3 ;
  ...
}
```

pg_current Group

Use the `pg_current` group to specify current waveform data in a vector group. If all vectors under the group are dense, data in this group is represented as a dense table. If all vectors under the group are sparse in cross type, data in this group is represented as a sparse cross table. If all vectors under the group are sparse in diagonal type, data in this group is represented as a sparse diagonal table.

```

library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    dynamic_current () {
      ...
      switching_group() {
        ...
        pg_current () {}
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Group

vector

compact_ccs_power Group

The `compact_ccs_power` group contains a detailed description for compact CCS power data. The `compact_ccs_power` group includes the following optional attributes: `base_curves_group`, `index_1`, `index_2`, `index_3` and `index_4`. The description for these attributes in the `compact_ccs_power` group is the same as in the `compact_lut_template` group. However, the attributes have a higher priority in the `compact_ccs_power` group. For more information, see [“compact_lut_template Group”](#).

The `index_output` attribute is also optional. It is used only on cross type tables. For more information about the `index_output` attribute, see [“index_output Simple Attribute”](#).

```

library (name) {
  cell(cell_name) {
    dynamic_current() {
      switching_group() {
        pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
          compact_ccs_power (template_name) {
            base_curves_group : bc_name;
            index_output : pin_name;
            index_1 ("float, ..., float");
            index_2 ("float, ..., float");
            index_3 ("float, ..., float");
            index_4 ("string, ..., string");
            values ("float | integer, ..., float |
integer");
          } /* end of compact_ccs_power */
        }
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```
base_curves_group : bc_name;  
index_output : pin_name;  
index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
index_2 ("float, ..., float");  
index_3 ("float, ..., float");  
index_4 ("string, ..., string");  
values ("float | integer, ..., float | integer");
```

values Attribute

The `values` attribute is required in the `compact_ccs_power` group. The data within the quotation marks (" "), or *line*, represent the current waveform for one index combination. Each value is determined by the corresponding curve parameter. In the following line,

```
"t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3, 4, t4, c4"
```

the size is $14 = 8 + 3 * 2$. Therefore, the curve parameters are as follows:

```
"init_time, init_current, bc_id1, point_time1, point_current1, bc_id2, \  
point_time2, point_current2, bc_id3, point_time3, point_current3, \  
bc_id4, \  
end_time, end_current"
```

The elements in the `values` attribute are floating-point numbers for time and current and integers for the base curve ID. The number of current waveform segments can be different for each slew and load combination, which means that each line size can be different. As a result, Liberty syntax supports tables with varying sizes, as shown:

```
compact_ccs_power (template_name) {  
  ...  
  index_1("0.1, 0.2"); /* input_net_transition */  
  index_2("1.0, 2.0"); /* total_output_net_capacitance */  
  index_3 ("init_time, init_current, bc_id1, point_time1, point_current1, \  
  \  
  bc_id2, [point_time2, point_current2, bc_id3, ...], \  
  end_time, end_current"); /* curve_parameters */  
  values  
  ("t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3, 4, t4, c4", \ /* segment=4 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2", \ /* segment=2 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3", \ /* segment=3 */  
  "t0, c0, 1, t1, c1, 2, t2, c2, 3, t3, c3"); /* segment=3 */  
}
```

vector Group

Use the vector group to specify the current waveform for a power and ground pin. This group represents a single current waveform based on specified input slew and output load.

- Data in this group is represented as a dense table, if a template with two `total_output_net_capacitance` variables is applied to the group. If a dense table is applied, the order of `total_output_net_capacitance` variables must map to the order of values in the `related_outputs` attribute.

- Data in this group is represented as a sparse cross table, if the `index_output` attribute is defined in the group.
- Data in this group is represented as a sparse diagonal table, if no `index_output` attribute is defined in the group and a template with exact one `total_output_net_capacitance` variable is applied to the group.

```

library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    dynamic_current () {
      switching_group() {
        pg_current () {}
        vector () {
          ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

index_1 (float);
index_2 (float);
index_3 (float);
index_4 (float);
index_output : output_pin_name>;
reference_time: float;
values ("float, ...");

```

`index_1`, `index_2`, `index_3`, and `index_4` Simple Attributes

The index attributes specify values for variables specified in the `pg_current_template`. The index value for `input_net_transition` or `total_output_net_capacitance` is a single floating-point number. You create a list of floating-point numbers for the index values for time. Note the following:

- Different numbers of points are allowed for each waveform.
- If no output or only one output is specified in `related_outputs`, the table must be dense.
- If two outputs are specified in `related_outputs`, the table can be either dense or sparse.
- If more than two outputs are specified, the table must be sparse.
- For a cross-type sparse table, a fixed capacitance of all outputs must be specified in `typical_capacitances`. The sweeping output must be specified in `index_output`, and the varied capacitance of that output must be specified in one of the index attributes. The specified index attribute must map to the `total_output_net_capacitance` variable in the template.
- For a diagonal-type sparse table, capacitances of all outputs are identical and they can be specified in one of the index attributes. The specified index must map

to the `total_output_net_capacitance` variable in the template.

index_output Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies which output capacitance is sweeping while the others are held as fixed values. This attribute is required for cross type. The attribute cannot be defined if the vector table is not defined as a sparse cross table.

Syntax

```
index_output : output_pin_name;
```

output_pin_name

Name of the pin that the output capacitance is sweeping.

Example

```
index_output : "QN";
```

reference_time Simple Attribute

This attribute represents the time at which the input waveform crosses the reference voltage.

Syntax

```
reference_time : float;
```

float

Specifies the time at which the input waveform crosses the reference voltage.

Example

```
reference_time : 0.01;
```

values Simple Attribute

The `values` attribute defines a list of floating-point numbers that represent the dynamic current waveform of a specified power and ground pin.

Syntax

```
values:("float, ...");
```

float

Defines a list of floating-point numbers that represent the dynamic current waveform of a specified power and ground pin.

Example

```
values : ("0.002, 0.009, 0.134, 0.546");
```

ff Group

The `ff` group describes either a single-stage or a master-slave flip-flop in a cell or test cell. The syntax for a cell is shown here. For information about the `test_cell` group, see [“test_cell Group”](#).

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  cell (namestring)
  {
    ff (variable1string,
        variable2string) {
      ... flip-flop description ...
    }
  }
}
```

The `variable1` value is the state of the noninverting output of the flip-flop; the `variable2` value is the state of the inverting output. The `variable1` value can be considered the 1-bit storage of the flip-flop. Valid values for `variable1` and `variable2` are anything except a pin name used in the cell being described. Both of these variables must be assigned, even if one of them is not connected to a primary output pin.

Simple Attributes

```
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clocked_on : "Boolean expression" ;
clocked_on_also : "Boolean expression" ;
next_state : "Boolean expression" ;
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
```

clear Simple Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

Syntax

```
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
clear : "CD' " ;
```

[“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) contains more information about the `clear` attribute.

clear_preset_var1 Simple Attribute

The `clear_preset_var1` attribute gives the value that `variable1` has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

Example

```
clear_preset_var1 : H ;
```

[Table 2-5](#) shows the valid variable values for the `clear_preset_var1` simple attribute.

Table 2-5 Valid Values for the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` Attributes

Variable values	Equivalence
L	0
H	1
N	No change ¹
T	Toggle the current value from 1 to 0, 0 to 1, or X to X
X	Unknown

¹ Use these values to generate VHDL models.

[“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) contains more information about the `clear_preset_var1` attribute, including its function and values.

clear_preset_var2 Simple Attribute

The `clear_preset_var2` attribute gives the value that `variable2` has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

Example

```
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
```

[“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) contains more information about the `clear_preset_var2` attribute, including its function and values.

clocked_on and clocked_on_also Simple Attributes

The `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes identify the active edge of the clock signals and are required in all `ff` groups. For example, use `clocked_on : "CP"` to describe a rising-edge-triggered device and use `clocked_on_also : "CP"` for a falling-edge-triggered device.

Note:

A single-stage flip-flop does not use `clocked_on_also`. See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for details.

When describing flip-flops that require both a master clock and a slave clock, use the `clocked_on` attribute for the master clock and the `clocked_on_also` attribute for the slave clock.

Syntax

```
clocked_on : "Boolean expression" ;  
clocked_on_also : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Active edge of a clock signal.

Example

```
clocked_on : "CP" ;  
  
clocked_on_also : "CP'" ;
```

Syntax

```
next_state : "Boolean expression" ;
```

The following example shows an `ff` group for a single-stage D flip-flop.

```
ff (IQ, IQN) {  
    next_state : "D" ;  
    clocked_on : "CP" ;  
}
```

The example defines two variables, `IQ` and `IQN`. The `next_state` equation determines the value of `IQ` after the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute. In this example, `IQ` is assigned the value of the D input.

In some flip-flops, the next state depends on the current state. In this case, the first state variable (`IQ` in the example) can be used in the `next_state` statement; the second state variable, `IQN`, cannot.

For example, the `ff` declaration for a JK flip-flop looks like this:

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "(J K IQ') + (J K') + (J' K' IQ)"
;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
}
```

The `next_state` and `clocked_on` attributes completely define the synchronous behavior of the flip-flop.

preset Simple Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

Syntax

```
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
preset : "PD'" ;
```

Single-Stage Flip-Flop

A single-stage flip-flop does not use the optional `clocked_on_also` attribute.

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input. The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input. For example, the following statement defines an active-low clear signal:

```
clear : "CD'" ;
```

[Table 2-6](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `ff` group for a single-stage flip-flop.

Table 2-6 Function Table for a Single-Stage Flip-Flop

clocked_on	clear	preset	variable1	variable2

active edge	inactive	inactive	next_state	!next_state
--	active	inactive	0	1
--	inactive	active	1	0
--	active	active	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2

The `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes give the value that `variable1` and `variable2` have when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time. See [Table 2-6](#) for the valid variable values.

If the `clear` and `preset` attributes are both included in the group, either `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both must be defined. Conversely, if either `clear_preset_var1`, or `clear_preset_var2`, or both are included, both `clear` and `preset` must be defined.

The flip-flop cell is activated whenever the value of `clear`, `preset`, `clocked_on`, or `clocked_on_also` changes.

[Example 2-8](#) is an `ff` group for a single-stage D flip-flop with rising-edge sampling, negative clear and preset, and output pins set to 0 when both clear and preset are active (low).

Example 2-8 Single-Stage D Flip-Flop

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
    clear : "CD'" ;
    preset : "PD'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

[Example 2-9](#) is an `ff` group for a single-stage, rising-edge-triggered JK flip-flop with scan input, negative clear and preset, and output pins set to 0 when clear and preset are both active.

Example 2-9 Single-Stage JK Flip-Flop

```
ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state :
        "(TE*TI)+(TE'*J*K')+(TE'*J'*K'*IQ)+(TE'*J*K*IQ' )"
    ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
    clear : "CD'" ;
    preset : "PD'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

[Example 2-10](#) is an ff group for a D flip-flop with synchronous negative clear.

Example 2-10 D Flip-Flop With Synchronous Negative Clear

```
ff (IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D * CLR'" ;
    clocked_on : "CP" ;
}
```

Master-Slave Flip-Flop

The syntax for a master-slave flip-flop is the same as for a single-stage device, except that it includes the `clocked_on_also` attribute. [Table 2-7](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `ff` group for a master-slave flip-flop.

The `internal1` and `internal2` variables represent the output values of the master stage, and `variable1` and `variable2` represent the output values of the slave stage. The `variable1` and `variable2` variables have the same value as `internal1` and `internal2`, respectively, when clear and preset are both active at the same time.

Table 2-7 Function Table for a Master-Slave Flip-Flop

Variable	Functions				
clear	active	active	inactive	inactive	inactive
preset	active	inactive	active	inactive	inactive
internal1	clear_preset_var1	0	1	next_state	
internal2	clear_preset_var2	1	0	!next_state	
variable1	clear_preset_var1	0	1		internal1
variable2	clear_preset_var2	1	0		internal2
active edge				clocked_on	clocked_on_also

[Example 2-11](#) shows an `ff` group for a master-slave D flip-flop with rising-edge sampling, falling-edge data transfer, negative clear and preset, and output values set high when clear and preset are both active.

Example 2-11 Master-Slave D Flip-Flop

```

ff(IQ, IQN) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CLK" ;
    clocked_on_also : "CLKN'" ;
    clear : "CDN'" ;
    preset : "PDN'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : H ;
    clear_preset_var2 : H ;
}

```

next_state Simple Attribute

Required in all `ff` groups, `next_state` is a logic equation written in terms of the cell's input pins or the first state variable, `variable1`. For single-stage storage elements, the `next_state` attribute equation determines the value of `variable1` at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

For devices such as a master-slave flip-flop, the `next_state` equation determines the value of the master stage's output signals at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

The type of pin that appears in the Boolean expression of a `next_state` attribute is defined in a `pin` group with the `nextstate_type` attribute.

ff_bank Group

An `ff_bank` group is defined within a `cell` or `test_cell` group, as shown in the following syntax, and in a `scaled_cell` group at the library level.

The `ff_bank` group describes a cell that is a collection of parallel, single-bit sequential parts. Each part can share control signals with the other parts and performs an identical function. The `ff_bank` group is typically used to represent multibit registers in `cell` and `test_cell` groups. For information about `ff_bank` in test cells, see ["test_cell Group"](#).

The syntax for the `ff_bank` group is similar to that of the `ff` group.

Syntax

```

library (namestring)
{
    cell (namestring)
    {
        ff_bank (variable1string,
                variable2string, bitsinteger)
        {
            ... multibit flip-flop register description
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

clocked_on : "Boolean expression" ;
next_state : "Boolean expression" ;
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clocked_on_also : "Boolean expression" ;

```

[Example 2-12](#) shows an `ff_bank` group for a multibit D flip-flop.

An input described in a `pin` group, such as the `clk` input, is fanned out to each flip-flop in the bank. Each primary output must be described in a `bus` or `bundle` group, whose function statement must include either `variable1` or `variable2`.

clocked_on and clocked_on_also Simple Attributes

Required in all `ff_bank` groups, the `clocked_on` and `clocked_on_also` attributes identify the active edge of the clock signal.

When describing flip-flops that require both a master and a slave clock, use the `clocked_on` attribute for the master clock and the `clocked_on_also` attribute for the slave clock.

Syntax

```

clocked_on : "Boolean expression" ;
clocked_on_also : "Boolean expression" ;

```

Boolean expression

Active edge of the edge-triggered device.

Examples

```

clocked_on : "CP" ; /* rising-edge-
triggered device */

clocked_on_also : "CP'"; /* falling-edge-
triggered device */

```

next_state Simple Attribute

Required in all `ff_bank` groups, the `next_state` attribute is a logic equation written in terms of the cell's input pins or the first state variable, `variable1`. For single-stage flip-flops, the `next_state` attribute equation determines the value of `variable1` at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

For devices such as master-slave flip-flops, the `next_state` equation determines the value of the master stage's output signals at the next active transition of the `clocked_on` attribute.

Syntax

```
next_state : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Identifies the active edge of the clock signal.

Example

```
next_state : "D" ;
```

The type of a `next_state` attribute is defined in a `pin` group with the `nextstate_type` attribute.

clear Simple Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

Syntax

```
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
clear : "CD'" ;
```

See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `clear` attribute.

preset Simple Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

Syntax

```
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
preset : "PD'" ;
```

See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `preset`

attribute.

clear_preset_var1 Simple Attribute

The `clear_preset_var1` attribute gives the value that `variable1` has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

Example

```
clear_preset_var1 : L ;
```

See “[Single-Stage Flip-Flop](#)” for more information about the `clear_preset_var1` attribute, including its function and values.

[Table 2-8](#) shows the valid variable values for the `clear_preset_var1` attribute.

Table 2-8 Valid Values for the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` Attributes

Variable values	Equivalence
L	0
H	1
N	No change ¹
T	Toggle the current value from 1 to 0, 0 to 1, or X to X ¹
X	Unknown ¹

¹ Use these values to generate VHDL models.

clear_preset_var2 Simple Attribute

The `clear_preset_var2` attribute gives the value that `variable2` has when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time. [Table 2-8](#) shows the valid variable values for the `clear_preset_var2` attribute.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

Example

```
clear_preset_var2 : L ;
```

See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `clear_preset_var1` attribute, including its function and values.

Multibit Flip-Flop

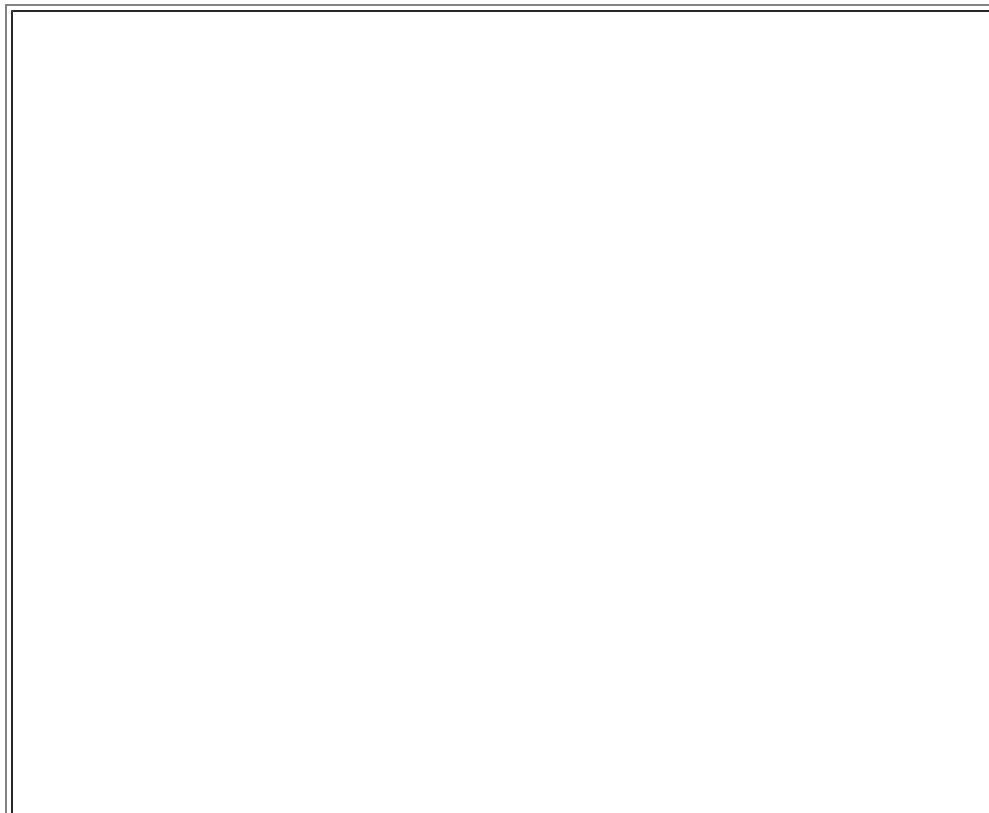
The *bits* value in the `ff_bank` definition is the number of bits in this multibit cell.

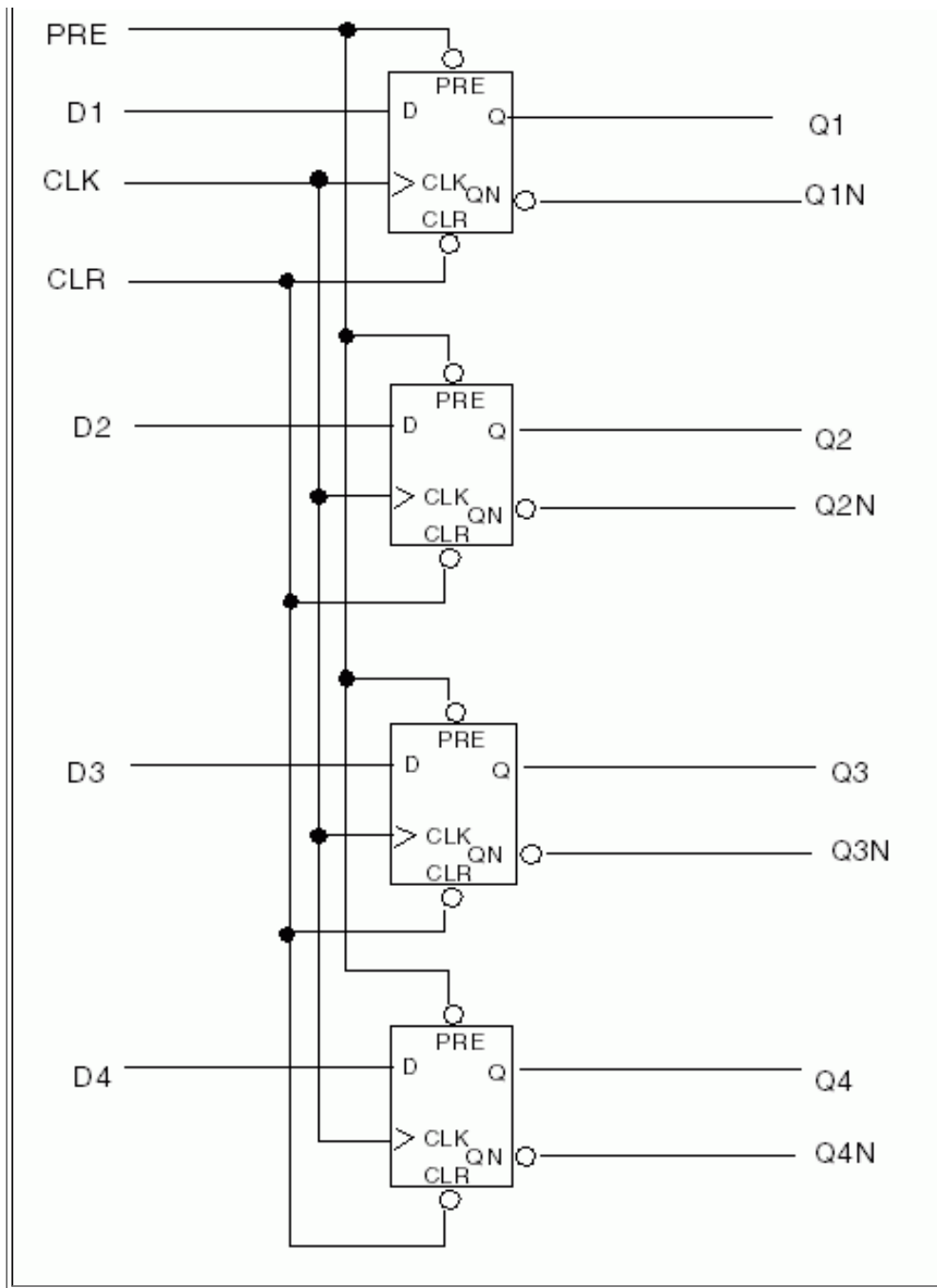
Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    ff_bank (variable1_string,
            variable2_string, bits_integer)
    {
      ... multibit flip-flop register description
    }
  }
}
```

A multibit register containing four rising-edge-triggered D flip-flops with `clear` and `preset` is shown in [Figure 2-1](#) and [Example 2-12](#).

Figure 2-1 Multibit Register





Example 2-12 Multibit Register

```

cell (dff4) {
  area : 1 ;
  pin (CLK) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0 ;
    min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;
    min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;
  }
  bundle (D) {

```

```

members(D1, D2, D3, D4);
nextstate_type : data;
direction : input ;
capacitance : 0 ;
timing() {
    related_pin      : "CLK" ;
    timing_type      : setup_rising ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
}
timing() {
    related_pin      : "CLK" ;
    timing_type      : hold_rising ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
}
}
pin (CLR) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0 ;
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLK" ;
        timing_type      : recovery_rising ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
    }
}
pin (PRE) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0 ;
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLK" ;
        timing_type      : recovery_rising ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
    }
}
ff_bank (IQ, IQN, 4) {
    next_state : "D" ;
    clocked_on : "CLK" ;
    clear : "CLR'" ;
    preset : "PRE'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
bundle (Q) {
    members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
    direction : output ;
    function : "(IQ)" ;
    timing() {

```

```

        related_pin      : "CLK" ;
        timing_type      : rising_edge ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
    }

    timing() {
        related_pin      : "PRE" ;
        timing_type      : preset ;
        timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLR" ;
        timing_type      : clear ;
        timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
    }
}
bundle (QN) {
    members(Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLK" ;
        timing_type      : rising_edge ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "PRE" ;
        timing_type      : clear ;
        timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLR" ;
        timing_type      : preset ;
        timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    }
}
} /* end of cell dff4 */

```

fpga_condition Group

An `fpga_condition` group declares an `fpga_condition` group containing several `fpga_condition_value` groups.

Syntax

```
cell (name_id)
{
  fpga_condition (name_id)
  {
    ...
  }
}
```

name

Specifies the name of the `fpga_condition` group.

Group

`fpga_condition_value`

fpga_condition_value Group

The `fpga_condition_value` group specifies a condition.

Syntax

```
cell (name_id)
{
  fpga_condition (condition_group_name_id)
  {
    fpga_condition_value (condition_name_id){
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

condition_name

Specifies the name of a condition.

Simple Attribute

`fpga_arc_condition`

fpga_arc_condition Simple Attribute

The `fpga_arc_condition` attribute specifies a Boolean condition that enables the associated `fpga_condition_value` group.

Syntax

```
cell (name_string)
{
```

```

    fpga_condition (name_id)
  {
    fpga_condition_value (condition_name_id){
      fpga_arc_condition : condition Boolean ;
    }
  }
}

```

condition

Specifies a Boolean condition. Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
fpga_arc_condition : true ;
```

functional_yield_metric Group

To model yield information, use the `functional_yield_metric` group with the `faults_lut_template` group. For details on the `faults_lut_template` group, see [“faults_lut_template”](#).

Syntax

```

functional_yield_metric () {
  average_number_of_faults ( name_faults_lut_template ) {
    values ( "float, ..., float" );
  }
}

```

This group holds values for `average_number_of_faults`. The group name indicates that its values array is based on the specified `faults_lut_template` template. The `average_number_of_faults` group holds the array of fault values.

Example

```

library ( my_library_name ) {
  ...
  faults_lut_template ( my_faults_temp ) {
    variable_1 : fab_name;
    variable_2 : time_range;
    index_1 ( " fab1, fab2, fab3 " );
    index_2 ( " 2005.01, 2005.07, 2006.01, 2006.07 " );
  }
  ...
  cell ( and2 ) {
    ...
    functional_yield_metric () {
      average_number_of_faults ( my_faults_temp ) {
        values ( " 73.5, 78.8, 85.0, 92 ",\
          " 74.3, 78.7, 84.8, 92.2 ",\
          " 72.2, 78.1, 84.3, 91.0 " );
      }
    }
  }
}

```



```

    ...
  } /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */

```

This example specifies fault data for three fabs (fab1, fab2, and fab3).

For fab1:

- 73.5 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms (that is, random defects) for the time range 2005.01 to 2005.06
- 78.8 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2005.07 to 2005.12
- 85.0 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2006.01 to 2006.07
- 92.0 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2006.07 or later

For fab2:

- 74.3 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2005.01 to 2005.06
- 78.7 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2005.07 to 2005.12
- 84.8 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2006.01 to 2006.07
- 92.2 is the average number of faults due to functional yield loss mechanisms for the time range 2006.07 or later

And so on for fab3.

generated_clock Group

A `generated_clock` group is defined within a `cell` group or a `model` group to describe a new clock that is generated from a master clock by

- Clock frequency division
- Clock frequency multiplication
- Edge derivation

Syntax

```

cell (name_string) {
    generated_clock (name_string) {
        ...clock data...
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

clock_pin : "name1 [name2 name3 ... ]" ;
master_pin : name ;
divided_by : integer ;

```

```
multiplied_by : integer ;  
invert : Boolean ;  
duty_cycle : float ;
```

Complex Attributes

```
edges  
shifts
```

clock_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_pin` attribute identifies a pin connected to a master clock signal.

Syntax

```
clock_pin : "name1 [name2 name3 ...  
]";
```

Example

```
clock_pin : "clk1 clk2 clk3";
```

master_pin Simple Attribute

The `master_pin` attribute identifies a pin connected to an input clock signal.

Syntax

```
master_pin : name ;
```

Example

```
master_pin : clk;
```

divided_by Simple Attribute

The `divided_by` attribute specifies the frequency division factor, which must be a power of 2.

Syntax

```
divided_by : integer;
```

Example

```
generated_clock(genclk1) {  
    clock_pin : clk1;  
    master_pin : clk;  
    divided_by : 2;
```

```
    invert : true;
}
```

This code fragment shows a clock pin (clk1) generated by dividing the original clock pin (clk) frequency by 2 and then inverting the result.

multiplied_by Simple Attribute

The `multiplied_by` attribute specifies the frequency multiplication factor, which must be a power of 2.

Syntax

```
multiplied_by : integer;
```

Example

```
generated_clock(genclk2) {
    clock_pin : clk1;
    master_pin : clk;
    multiplied_by : 2;
    duty_cycle : 50.0;
}
```

This code fragment shows a clock pin (clk1) generated by multiplying the original clock pin (clk) frequency by 2, with a duty cycle of 50.

invert Simple Attribute

The `invert` attribute inverts the waveform generated by multiplication or division. Set this attribute to true to invert the waveform. Set it to false if you do not want to invert the waveform.

Syntax

```
invert : Boolean ;
```

Example

```
invert : true;
```

duty_cycle Simple Attribute

The `duty_cycle` attribute specifies the duty cycle, in percentage, if frequency multiplication is used. This is a number between 0.0 and 100.0. The duty cycle is the high pulse width.

Syntax

```
duty_cycle : float ;
```

Example

```
duty_cycle : 50.0;
```

edges Complex Attribute

The `edges` attribute specifies a list of three edges from the master clock that form the edges of the generated clock. Use this option when simple division or multiplication is insufficient to describe the generated clock waveform.

Syntax

```
edges (edge1,edge2,edge3);
```

Example

```
edges (1, 3, 5);
```

shifts Complex Attribute

The `shifts` attribute specifies the shifts (in time units) to be added to the edges specified in the edge list to generate the clock. The number of shifts must equal the number of edges (three). This shift modifies the ideal clock edges; it is not considered to be clock latency.

Syntax

```
shifts (shift1,shift2,shift3);
```

Example

```
shifts (5.0, -5.0, 0.0);
```

[Example 2-13](#) shows a generated clock description.

Example 2-13 Description of a Generated Clock

```
cell(ace11) {  
    ...  
    generated_clock(genclk1) {  
        clock_pin : clk1;  
        master_pin : clk;  
        divided_by : 2;  
        invert : true;  
    }  
    generated_clock(genclk2) {  
        clock_pin : clk1;
```

```

    master_pin : clk;
    multiplied_by : 2;
    duty_cycle : 50.0;
}
generated_clock(genclk3) {
    clock_pin : clk1;
    master_pin : clk;
    edges(1, 3, 5);
    shifts(5.0, -5.0, 0.0);
}

....
pin(clk) {
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
}
pin(clk1) {
    direction : input;
    clock : true;
    capacitance : 0.1;
}
}

```

intrinsic_parasitic Group

The `intrinsic_parasitic` group specifies the state-dependent intrinsic capacitance and intrinsic resistance of a cell.

Syntax

```

library( library_name ) {
    .....
    lu_table_template ( template_name ) {
        variable_1 : pg_voltage |
pg_voltage_difference;
        index_1 ( "float, ..., float" );
    }
}
cell ( cell_name ) {
    mode_definition ( mode_name ) {
        mode_value ( mode_value ) {
            when : boolean_expression ;
            sdf_cond : boolean_expression ;
        }
    }
    ...
    intrinsic_parasitic ( ) {

```

```

mode (mode_name, mode_value) ;
when : boolean expression ;
    intrinsic_resistance(pg_pin_name) {
        related_output : output_pin_name ;
        value : float ;
        reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
        lut_values ( template_name ) {
            index_1 ("float, ... float" );
            values ("float, ... float" );
        }
    }
    intrinsic_capacitance(pg_pin_name) {
        value : float ;
        reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
        lut_values ( template_name ) {
            index_1 ("float, ... float" );
            values ("float, ... float" );
        }
    }
}
}
}
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

when
reference_pg_pin

```

Complex Attribute

```

mode

```

Groups

```

intrinsic_capacitance
intrinsic_resistance
total_capacitance

```

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute specifies the state-dependent condition that determines whether the intrinsic parameters are accessed. The `when` attribute is used when all the state conditions of a cell are specified. The default `intrinsic_parasitic` group is not state-dependent, and is defined without the `when` attribute. If some of the state conditions of the cell are missing, the default `intrinsic_parasitic` group is used. However, if some state conditions of the cell are missing and no default state is provided, the value of the intrinsic resistance is considered to be infinite, and the value of the intrinsic capacitance is considered to be zero.

Syntax

```
when : boolean_expression ;
```

```
    boolean expression
```

Specifies the state-dependent condition.

Example

```
when : "A & B" ;
```

reference_pg_pin Simple Attribute

The `reference_pg_pin` attribute specifies the reference pin for the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The reference pin must be a valid PG pin.

Syntax

```
reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name ;
```

Example

```
reference_pg_pin : G1 ;
```

mode Complex Attribute

The `mode` attribute pertains to an individual cell. The cell is active when the `mode` attribute is instantiated with a name and a value. You can specify multiple instances of this attribute. However, specify only one instance for each cell.

Define the `mode` attribute within an `intrinsic_parasitic` group.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value) ;
```

Example

```
mode (rw, read) ;
```

intrinsic_capacitance Group

Use this group to specify the intrinsic capacitance of a cell.

Syntax

```

intrinsic_parasitic () {
  intrinsic_capacitance (pg_pin_name) {
    value : float ;
    reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name;
    lut_values ( template_name ) {
      index_1 ("float, ... float" );
      values ("float, ... float" );
    }
  }
}

```

The `pg_pin_name` specifies a power and ground pin where the capacitance is derived.

You can have more than one `intrinsic_capacitance` group. You can place these groups in any order within an `intrinsic_parasitic` group.

Simple Attributes

```

value
reference_pg_pin

```

Group

```

lut_values

```

value Simple Attribute

The `value` attribute specifies the value of the intrinsic capacitance. By default, the intrinsic capacitance value is zero.

Syntax

```

value : float ;

```

Example

```

value : 5 ;

```

reference_pg_pin Simple Attribute

The `reference_pg_pin` attribute specifies the reference pin for the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The reference pin must be a valid PG pin.

Syntax

```

reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name ;

```


Example

```
reference_pg_pin : G1 ;
```

lut_values Group

Voltage-dependent intrinsic parasitics are modeled by lookup tables. A lookup table consists of intrinsic parasitic values for different values of VDD. To use these lookup tables, define the `lut_values` group. You can add the `lut_values` group to both the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The `lut_values` group uses the `variable_1` variable, which is defined within the `lu_table_template` group, at the library level. The valid values of the `variable_1` variable are `pg_voltage` and `pg_voltage_difference`.

Syntax

```
lut_values ( template_name )  
{  
  index_1 ("float, ... float"  
);  
  values ("float, ... float"  
);  
}
```

template_name

The name of the lookup table template.

Example

```
lut_value ( test_voltage ) {  
  index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0" );  
  values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0" );  
}
```

intrinsic_resistance Group

Use this group to specify the intrinsic resistance between a power pin and an output pin of a cell.

Syntax

```
intrinsic_parasitic () {  
  intrinsic_resistance ( pg_pin_name ) {  
    related_output : output_pin_name ;  
    value : float ;  
    reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name ;  
    lut_values ( template_name ) {  
      index_1 ("float, ... float" );  
      values ("float, ... float" );  
    }  
  }  
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

The `pg_pin_name` specifies a power or ground pin. You can place the `intrinsic_resistance` groups in any order within an `intrinsic_parasitic` group. If some of the `intrinsic_resistance` group is not defined, the value of resistance defaults to +infinity. The channel connection between the power and ground pins and the output pin is defined as a closed channel if the resistance value is greater than 1 megaohm. Otherwise, the channel is opened. The `intrinsic_resistance` group is not required if the channel is closed.

Simple Attributes

related_output
value
reference_pg_pin

Group

lut_values

related_output Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the output pin.

Syntax

related_output : *output_pin_name* ;

output_pin_name

The name of the output pin.

Example

related_output : "A & B" ;

value Simple Attribute

Specifies the value of the intrinsic resistance. If this attribute is not defined, the value of the intrinsic resistance defaults to +infinity.

Syntax

value : *float*;

Example

value : 5;

reference_pg_pin Simple Attribute

The `reference_pg_pin` attribute specifies the reference pin for the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The reference pin must be a valid PG pin.

Syntax

```
reference_pg_pin : pg_pin_name ;
```

Example

```
reference_pg_pin : G1 ;
```

lut_values Group

Voltage-dependent intrinsic parasitics are modeled by lookup tables. A lookup table consists of intrinsic parasitic values for different values of VDD. To use these lookup tables, define the `lut_values` group. You can add the `lut_values` group to both the `intrinsic_resistance` and `intrinsic_capacitance` groups. The `lut_values` group uses the `variable_1` variable, which is defined within the `lu_table_template` group, at the library level.

Syntax

```
lut_values ( template_name )  
{  
  index_1 ("float, ... float"  
);  
  values ("float, ... float"  
);  
}
```

template_name

The name of the lookup table template.

Example

```
lut_values ( test_voltage ) {  
  index_1 ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0" );  
  values ( "0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0" );  
}
```

total_capacitance Group

The `total_capacitance` group specifies the macro cell's total capacitance on a power or ground net within the `intrinsic_parasitic` group. The following applies to the `total_capacitance` group:

- The `total_capacitance` group can be placed in any order if there is more than one `total_capacitance` group within an `intrinsic_parasitic` group.
- The total capacitance parasitics modeling in macro cells is not state dependent, which means that there is no state condition specified in `intrinsic_parasitic`.

Syntax

```

cell (cell_name)
{
  ...
  intrinsic_parasitic () {
    total_capacitance (pg_pin_name)
    {
      value : float ;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

Example

```

cell (my_cell) {
  ...
  intrinsic_parasitic () {
    total_capacitance (VDD) {
      value : 0.2 ;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}

```

latch Group

A latch group is defined within a `cell`, `model`, or `test_cell` group to describe a level-sensitive memory device. The syntax for defining a latch group within a `cell` group is shown here. For information about test cells, see [“test_cell Group”](#).

```

library (name_string) {
  cell (name_string) {
    latch (variable1_string, variable2_string) {
      ... latch description ...
    }
  }
}

```

The `variable1` value is the state of the noninverting output of the latch; the `variable2` value is the state of the inverting output. The `variable1` value is considered the 1-bit storage of the latch. You can name `variable1` and `variable2` anything except a pin name used in the cell being described. Both values are required,

even if one of them is not connected to a primary output pin.

Simple Attributes

```
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
data_in : "Boolean expression" ;
enable : "Boolean expression" ;
enable_also : "Boolean expression" ;
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
```

clear Simple Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

Syntax

```
clear : valueBoolean ;
```

Example

The following example defines a low-active clear signal.

```
clear : "CD'" ;
```

clear_preset_var1 and clear_preset_var2 Simple Attributes

The `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes give the value that `variable1` and `variable2` have when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

[Table 2-9](#) shows the valid values for the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes.

Table 2-9 Valid Values for the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` Attributes

Variable values	Equivalence
L	0
H	1
N	No change ¹

T	Toggle the current value from 1 to 0, 0 to 1, or X to X ¹
X	Unknown ¹

¹ Use these values to generate VHDL models.

See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes, including their function and values.

If you include both `clear` and `preset`, you must use either `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both. Conversely, if you include `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both, you must use both `clear` and `preset`.

Example

```
latch(IQ, IQN) {
    clear : "S'" ;
    preset : "R'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

data_in Simple Attribute

The `data_in` attribute gives the state of the data input, and the `enable` attribute gives the state of the enable input. The `data_in` and `enable` attributes are optional, but if you use one of them, you must also use the other.

Syntax

```
data_in : valueBoolean ;
```

value

State of data input.

Example

```
data_in : "D" ;
```

enable Simple Attribute

The `enable` attribute gives the state of the enable input, and `data_in` attribute gives the state of the data input. The `enable` and `data_in` attributes are optional, but if you use one of them, you must also use the other.

Syntax

```
enable : valueBoolean ;
```

value

State of enable input.

Example

```
enable : "G" ;
```

enable_also Simple Attribute

The `enable_also` attribute gives the state of the `enable` input when you are describing master and slave cells. The `enable_also` attribute is optional. If you use `enable_also`, you must also use the `enable` and `data_in` attributes.

Syntax

```
enable_also : "valueBoolean " ;
```

Value

State of enable input for master-slave cells.

Example

```
enable_also : "G" ;
```

preset Simple Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

Syntax

```
preset : "valueBoolean " ;
```

Example

The following example defines a low-active clear signal.

```
preset : "PD'" ;
```

Attribute Functions in a latch Group

The latch cell is activated whenever `clear`, `preset`, `enable`, or `data_in` changes.

[Table 2-10](#) shows the functions of the attributes in the `latch` group.

Table 2-10 Function Table for a latch Group

enable	clear	preset	variable1	variable2
active	inactive	inactive	data_in	!data_in
--	active	inactive	0	1
--	inactive	active	1	0
--	active	active	clear_preset_var1	clear_preset_var2

[Example 2-14](#) shows a `latch` group for a D latch with active-high enable and negative clear.

Example 2-14 D Latch With Active-High Enable and Negative Clear

```
latch(IQ, IQN) {
    enable : "G" ;
    data_in : "D" ;
    clear : "CD'" ;
}
```

[Example 2-15](#) shows a `latch` group for an SR latch. The `enable` and `data_in` attributes are not required for an SR latch.

Example 2-15 SR Latch

```
latch(IQ, IQN) {
    clear : "S'" ;
    preset : "R'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

`latch_bank` Group

A `latch_bank` group is defined within a `cell`, `model`, or `test_cell` group and in a `scaled_cell` group at the library level to represent multibit latch registers. The syntax for a cell is shown here. For information about test cells, see [“test_cell Group”](#).

The `latch_bank` group describes a cell that is a collection of parallel, single-bit sequential parts. Each part shares control signals with the other parts and performs an identical function.

An input pin that is described in a `pin` group, such as the `clk` input, is fanned out to each latch in the bank. Each primary output must be described in a `bus` or `bundle` group, and its function statement must include either `variable1` or `variable2`.

The syntax of the `latch_bank` group is similar to that of the `latch` group (see [“latch Group”](#)).

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    latch_bank(variable1_string, variable2_string,
              bits_integer){
      ... multibit latch register description ...
    }
  }
}
```

The `bits` value in the `latch_bank` definition is the number of bits in the multibit cell.

Simple Attributes

```
enable : "Boolean expression" ;
enable_also : "Boolean expression" ;
data_in : "Boolean expression" ;
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

[Example 2-16](#) shows a `latch_bank` group for a multibit register containing four rising-edge-triggered D latches.

Example 2-16 Multibit D Latch

```
cell (latch4) {
  area: 16;
  pin (G) {          /* gate enable signal,
active-high */
    direction : input;
    ...
  }
  bundle (D) {      /* data input with four member pins
*/
    members(D1, D2, D3, D4); /*must be 1st bundle
attribute*/
    direction : input;
    ...
}
```

```

    }
    bundle (Q) {
        members(Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4);
        direction : output;
        function : "IQ" ;
        ...
    }
    bundle (QN) {
        members (Q1N, Q2N, Q3N, Q4N);
        direction : output;
        function : "IQN";
        ...
    }
    latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
        enable : "G" ;
        data_in : "D" ;
    }
    ...
}

```

clear Simple Attribute

The `clear` attribute gives the active value for the clear input.

Syntax

```
clear : "Boolean expression" ;
```

The following example defines a low-active clear signal.

```
clear : "CD'" ;
```

clear_preset_var1 and clear_preset_var2 Simple Attributes

The `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes give the values that `variable1` and `variable2` have when `clear` and `preset` are both active at the same time.

Syntax

```
clear_preset_var1 : L | H | N | T | X ;
clear_preset_var2 : L | H | N | T | X ;
```

Example

See [Table 2-9](#) for the valid values for the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes.

See [“Single-Stage Flip-Flop”](#) for more information about the `clear_preset_var1` and `clear_preset_var2` attributes, including their function and values.

If you include both `clear` and `preset`, you must use either `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both. Conversely, if you include `clear_preset_var1`, `clear_preset_var2`, or both, you must use both `clear` and `preset`.

```
latch_bank(IQ, IQN) {
    clear : "S'" ;
    preset : "R'" ;
    clear_preset_var1 : L ;
    clear_preset_var2 : L ;
}
```

data_in Simple Attribute

The `data_in` attribute gives the state of the data input, and the `enable` attribute gives the state of the enable input. The `enable` and `data_in` attributes are optional, but if you use one of them, you must also use the other.

Syntax

```
data_in : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

State of data input.

Example

```
data_in : "D" ;
```

enable Simple Attribute

The `enable` attribute gives the state of the enable input, and the `data_in` attribute gives the state of the data input. The `enable` and `data_in` attributes are optional, but if you use one of them, you must include the other.

Syntax

```
enable : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

State of enable input.

Example

```
enable : "G" ;
```

preset Simple Attribute

The `preset` attribute gives the active value for the preset input.

Syntax

```
preset : "Boolean expression" ;
```

The following example defines a low-active clear signal.

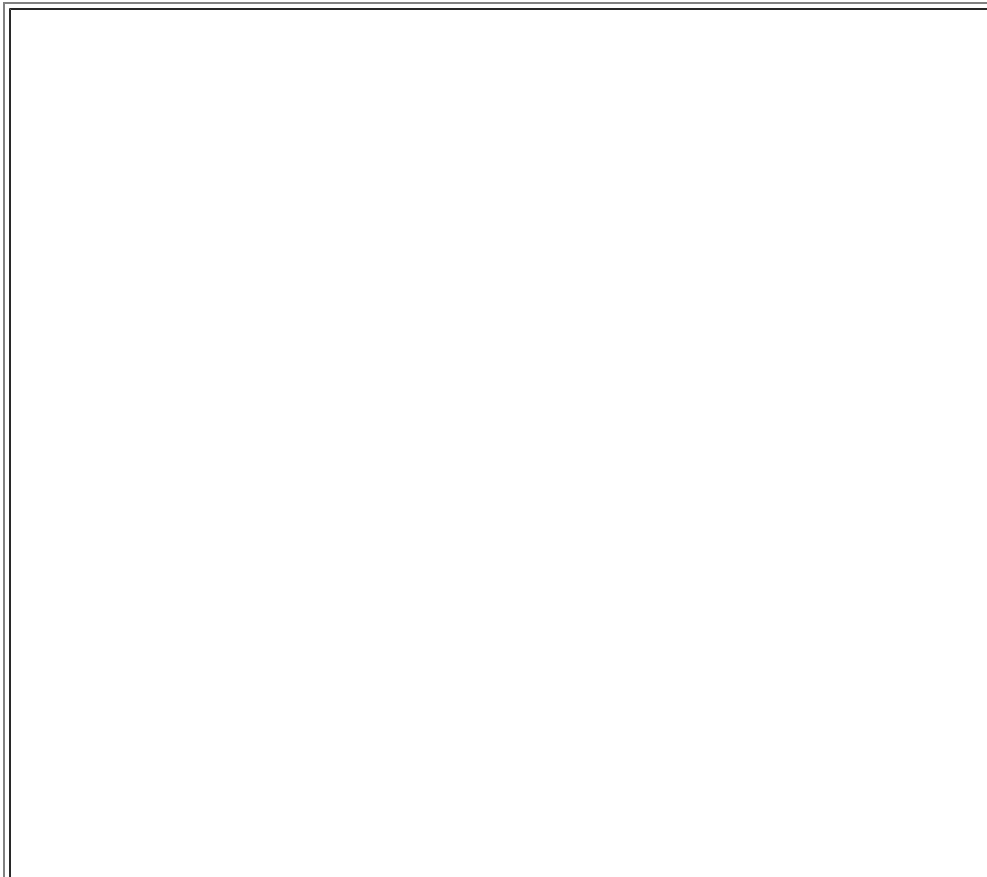
```
preset : "PD'" ;
```

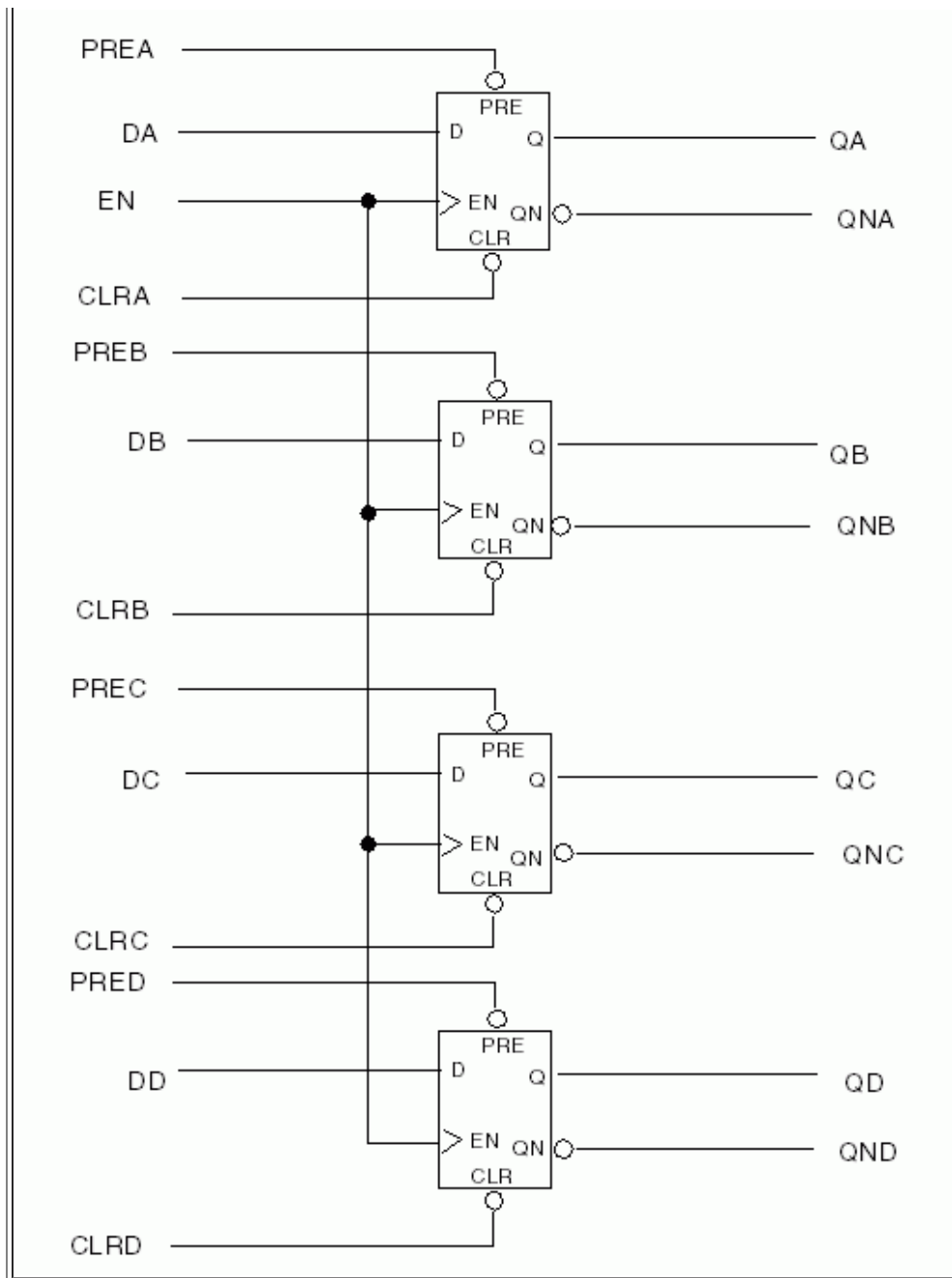
Attribute Functions in a latch_bank Group

The `latch_bank` cell is activated whenever the value of `clear`, `preset`, `enable`, or `data_in` attribute changes.

[Figure 2-2](#) and [Example 2-17](#) show a multibit register containing four high-enable D latches with the `clear` attribute.

Figure 2-2 Multibit Register With Latches





Example 2-17 Multibit Register With Four D Latches

```

cell (DLT2) {
/* note: 0 hold time */
  area : 1 ;
  single_bit_degenerate : FDB ;
  pin (EN) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 0 ;
    min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;
    min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;
  }
}

```

```

bundle (D) {
  members(DA, DB, DC, DD);
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 0 ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : setup_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
  }
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : hold_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 0.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
  }
}
bundle (CLR) {
  members(CLRA, CLRB, CLRC, CLRD);
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 0 ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : recovery_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
  }
}
bundle (PRE) {
  members(PREA, PREB, PREC, PRED);
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 0 ;
  timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : recovery_falling ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 0.0 ;
  }
}
latch_bank(IQ, IQN, 4) {
  data_in : "D" ;
  enable  : "EN" ;
  clear   : "CLR'" ;
  preset  : "PRE'" ;
  clear_preset_var1 : H ;
  clear_preset_var2 : H ;
}
bundle (Q) {
  members(QA, QB, QC, QD);
  direction : output ;
}

```

```

function : "IQ" ;
timing() {
    related_pin      : "D" ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
}
timing() {
    related_pin      : "EN" ;
    timing_type      : rising_edge ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
}
timing() {
    related_pin      : "CLR" ;
    timing_type      : clear ;
    timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
    intrinsic_fall   : 1.0 ;
}
timing() {
    related_pin      : "PRE" ;
    timing_type      : preset ;
    timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
    intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
}
}
bundle (QN) {
    members(QNA, QNB, QNC, QND);
    direction : output ;
    function : "IQN" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "D" ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "EN" ;
        timing_type      : rising_edge ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 2.0 ;
        intrinsic_fall   : 2.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "CLR" ;
        timing_type      : preset ;
        timing_sense     : negative_unate ;
        intrinsic_rise   : 1.0 ;
    }
    timing() {
        related_pin      : "PRE" ;
        timing_type      : clear ;
        timing_sense     : positive_unate ;
    }
}

```

```

        intrinsic_fall : 1.0 ;
    }
} /* end of cell DLT2

```

leakage_current Group

A `leakage_current` group is defined within a `cell` group or a `model` group to specify leakage current values that are dependent on the state of the cell.

Syntax

```

    library (name)
    {
    cell(cell_name) {
    ...
    leakage_current() {
        when : boolean expression;
        pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
            value : float;
        }
    }
    ...
    }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

    when
    value

```

Complex Attribute

```

    mode

```

Group

```

    pg_current

```

when Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the state-dependent condition that determines whether the leakage current is accessed.

A `leakage_current` group without a `when` attribute is defined as a default state. The default state is associated with a leakage model that does not depend on the state condition. If all state conditions of a cell are specified, a

default state is not required. If some state conditions of a cell are missing, the default state is assigned. If no default state is given, the leakage current defaults to 0.0.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Specifies the state-dependent condition.

value Simple Attribute

When a cell has a single power and ground pin, omit the `pg_current` group and specify the leakage current value. Otherwise, specify the value in the `pg_current` group. Current conservation is applied for each `leakage_current` group. The `value` attribute specifies the absolute value of leakage current on a single power and ground pin.

Syntax

```
value : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the leakage current.

mode Complex Attribute

The `mode` attribute specifies the current mode of operation of the cell. Use this attribute in the `leakage_current` group to define the leakage current in the specified mode.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value) ;
```

Example

```
mode (rw, read) ;
```

pg_current Group

Use this group to specify a power or ground pin where leakage current is to be measured.

Syntax

```
cell(cell_name) {
```

```

...
leakage_current() {
  when : boolean expression;
  pg_current(pg_pin_name) {
    value : float;
  }
}

```

pg_pin_name

Specifies the power or ground pin where the leakage current is to be measured.

Simple Attribute

value

Use this attribute in the `pg_current` group to specify the leakage current value when a cell has multiple power and ground pins. The leakage current is measured toward a cell. For power pins, the current is positive if it is dragged into a cell. For ground pins, the current is negative, indicating that current flows out of a cell. If all power and ground pins are specified within a `leakage_current` group, the sum of the leakage currents should be zero.

Syntax

value : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number representing the leakage current.

gate_leakage Group

The `gate_leakage` group specifies the cell's gate leakage current on input or inout pins within the `leakage_current` group in a cell. The following applies to `gate_leakage` groups:

- Groups can be placed in any order if there is more than one `gate_leakage` group within a `leakage_current` group.
- The leakage current of a cell is characterized with opened outputs, which means that modeling cell outputs do not drive any other cells. Outputs are assumed to have zero static current during the measurement.
- A missing `gate_leakage` group is allowed for certain pins.
- Current conservation is applicable if it can be applied to higher error tolerance.

Syntax

gate_leakage (*input_pin_name*)

Example

```

cell (my_cell) {
  ...
  leakage_current {
    ...
  }
  ...
  gate_leakage (A) {
    input_low_value : -0.5 ;
    input_high_value : 0.6 ;
  }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

input_low_value
input_high_value

```

input_low_value Simple Attribute

The `input_low_value` attribute specifies gate leakage current on an input or inout pin when the pin is in a low state condition.

The following applies to the `input_low_value` attribute:

- A negative floating-point number value is required.
- The gate leakage current flow is measured from the power pin of a cell to the ground pin of its driver cell.
- The input pin is pulled up to low.
- The `input_low_value` attribute is not required for a `gate_leakage` group.

Syntax

```

input_low_value : float ;

```

Example

```

}
...
gate_leakage (A) {
  input_low_value : -0.5 ;
  input_high_value : 0.6 ;
}

```

input_high_value Simple Attribute

The `input_high_value` attribute specifies gate leakage current on an input or inout pin when the pin is in a high state condition.

- A positive floating-point number value is required.
- The gate leakage current flow is measured from the power pin of its driver cell to the ground pin of the cell itself.
- The input pin is pulled up to high.
- The `input_high_value` attribute is not required for a `gate_leakage` group.

Syntax

```
input_high_value : float ;
```

Example

```
...
gate_leakage (A) {
  input_low_value : -0.5 ;
  input_high_value : 0.6 ;
}
```

leakage_power Group

A `leakage_power` group is defined within a `cell` group or a `model` group to specify leakage power values that are dependent on the state of the cell.

Note:

Cells with state-dependent leakage power also need the `cell_leakage_power` simple attribute.

Syntax

```
library (name)
{
  cell (name) {
    leakage_power () {
      ...
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
power_level
related_pg_pin
when
value
```

Complex Attribute

```
mode
```

power_level Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the power consumed by the cell.

Syntax

```
power_level : "name" ;
```

name

Name of the power rail defined in the power supply group.

Example

```
power_level : "VDD1" ;
```

related_pg_pin Simple Attribute

Use this optional attribute to associate a power and ground pin with leakage power and internal power tables. The leakage power and internal energy tables can be omitted when the voltage of a `primary_power` or `backup_ground pg_pin` is at reference voltage zero, since the value of the corresponding leakage power and internal energy tables are always 0.

In the absence of a `related_pg_pin` attribute, the `internal_power/leakage_power` specifications apply to the whole cell (cell-specific power specification). Cell-specific and `pg_pin`-specific power specifications cannot be mixed; that is, when one `leakage_power (internal_power)` group has the `related_pg_pin` attribute, all the `leakage_power (internal_power)` groups must have the `related_pg_pin` attribute.

Syntax

```
related_pg_pin : pg_pin_id;
```

pg_pin

The related power and ground pin name.

Example

```
related_pg_pin : G2 ;
```

when Simple Attribute

This attribute specifies the state-dependent condition that determines whether the leakage power is accessed.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Name of pin or pins in a cell for which `leakage_power` is different.

[Table 2-11](#) lists the Boolean operators valid in a `when` statement.

Table 2-11 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	invert previous expression
!	invert following expression
^	logical XOR
*	logical AND
&	logical AND
space	logical AND
+	logical OR
	logical OR
1	signal tied to logic 1
0	signal tied to logic 0

value Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to specify the leakage power for a given state of a cell.

Syntax

```
value : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number representing the leakage power value.

The following example defines the `leakage_power` group and the `cell_leakage_power` simple attribute in a cell:

Example

```
cell () {  
    ...  
    leakage_power () {  
        when : "A" ;  
        value : 2.0 ;  
    }  
}
```

```

    }
    cell_leakage_power : 3.0 ;
}

```

mode Complex Attribute

The `mode` attribute specifies the current mode of operation of the cell. Use this attribute in the `leakage_power` group to define the leakage power in the specified mode.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value) ;
```

Example

```
mode (rw, read) ;
```

lut Group

A `lut` group defines a single variable that is then used to represent the lookup table value in the `function` attribute of a `pin` group. The `lut` group applies only to FPGA libraries.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    lut (name) {
      ... ;
    }
  }
}

```

Example

```

cell () {
  ...
  lut(L) {
    input_pins : "A B C D" ;
  }
  pin (Z){
    ...
    function: "L" ;
  }
}

```

input_pins Simple Attribute

```
input_pins : "name1 [name2 name3  
...]" ;
```

pg_pin Group

Use the `pg_pin` group to specify power and ground pins. The library cells can have multiple `pg_pin` groups. A `pg_pin` group is mandatory for each cell. A cell must have at least one `primary_power` pin specified in the `pg_type` attribute and at least one `primary_ground` pin specified in the `pg_type` attribute.

Syntax

```
cell (name_string){  
  pg_pin (pg_pin_name_string){  
    voltage_name : value_id ;  
    pg_type : value_enum ;  
  } /* end pg_pin */  
  ...  
} /* end cell */
```

Simple Attributes

```
voltage_name  
pg_type  
user_pg_type  
physical_connection  
related_bias_pin
```

voltage_name Simple Attribute

Use the `voltage_name` attribute to specify an associated voltage.

Syntax

```
voltage_name : value_id ;
```

value

A voltage defined in a library-level `voltage_map` attribute.

Example

```
voltage_name : VDD1 ;
```

pg_type Simple Attribute

Use the optional `pg_type` attribute to specify the type of power and ground

pin. The `pg_type` attribute also supports back-bias modeling. The `pg_type` attribute can have the following values: `primary_power`, `primary_ground`, `backup_power`, `backup_ground`, `internal_power`, `internal_ground`, `pwell`, `nwell`, `deepnwell`, and `deeppwell`. The `pwell` and `nwell` values specify regular wells, and the `deeppwell` and `deepnwell` values specify isolation wells.

Syntax

```
pg_type : value_enum ;
```

value

The valid values are `primary_power`, `primary_ground`, `backup_power`, `backup_ground`, `internal_power`, `internal_ground`, `pwell`, `nwell`, `deepnwell`, and `deeppwell`.

Example

```
pg_type : primary_power ;
```

Example of a 2-input NAND Cell With Virtual Bias Pins

The following example shows a 2-input NAND cell with virtual bias pins to support back-bias modeling.

```
library (sample_standard_cell_with_bias_pin) {
...
cell ( nand2 ) {
  pg_pin ( vdd ) {
    pg_type : primary_power ;
    ...
  }
  pg_pin ( vss ) {
    pg_type : primary_ground ;
    ...
  }
  pg_pin ( vpw ) {
    pg_type : pwell ;
    ...
  }
  pg_pin ( vnw ) {
    pg_type : nwell ;
    ...
  }
  pin ( A ) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : "vdd" ;
    related_ground_pin : "vss" ;
  }
}
```

```

    related_bias_pin : "vpw vnw";
    ...
}
pin ( B ) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : "vdd" ;
    related_ground_pin : "vss" ;
    related_bias_pin : "vpw vnw";
    ...
}
pin ( Z ) {
    direction : output;
    function : " !(A * B) " ;
    related_power_pin : "vdd" ;
    related_ground_pin : "vss" ;
    related_bias_pin : "vpw vnw";
    power_down_function : "vdd' + vss + vnw' + vpw
";
    ...
}
} /* end of cell group */
} /* end of library group*/

```

Example of a Level-Shifter Cell With Virtual Bias Pins

The following example shows a level-shifter cell with virtual bias pins and two nwell regular wells for back-bias modeling.

```

library (sample_multi_rail_with_bias_pins) {
...
    cell ( level_shifter ) {
        pg_pin ( vdd1 ) {
            pg_type : primary_power ;
            ...
        }
        pg_pin ( vdd2 ) {
            pg_type : primary_power ;
            ...
        }
        pg_pin ( vss ) {
            pg_type : primary_ground ;
            ...
        }
        pg_pin ( vpw ) {
            pg_type : pwell ;
            ...
        }
        pg_pin ( vnw1 ) {
            pg_type : nwell ;

```

```

...
}
pg_pin ( vnw2 ) {
    pg_type : nwell ;
    ...
}
pin ( I ) {
    direction : input;
    related_power_pin : vdd1
    related_ground_pin : vss
    related_bias_pin : "vnw1 vpw"
    ...
}
pin ( Z ) {
    direction : output;
    function : "I";
    related_power_pin : "vdd2" ;
    related_ground_pin : "vss" ;
    related_bias_pin : "vnw2 vpw";
    power_down_function : "!vdd1 + !vdd2 + vss + !vnw1 + !vnw2 +
vpw";
    ...
}
} /* End of cell group */
}/* End of library group */

```

user_pg_type Simple Attribute

The `user_pg_type` optional attribute allows you to customize the type of power and ground pin that is used in a library. It accepts any string value, as shown:

```

pg_pin (pg_pin_name) {
    voltage_name : voltage_name;
    pg_type : primary_power | primary_ground |
    backup_power | backup_ground |
    internal_power | internal_ground;
    user_pg_type : user_pg_type_name;
}

```

Example

The following example shows a `pg_pin` library with the `user_pg_type` attribute specified.

```

pg_pin (A) {
    voltage_name : VDD1;
    pg_type : primary_power
    user_pg_type : my_pg_type;
}

```

physical_connection Simple Attribute

The `physical_connection` attribute provides two possible values: `device_layer` and `routing_pin`. The `device_layer` value specifies that the bias connection is physically external to the cell. In this case, the library provides biasing tap cells that connect through the device layers. The `routing_pin` value specifies that the bias connection is inside a cell and is exported as a physical geometry and a routing pin. Macros with pin access generally use the `routing_pin` value if the cell has bias pins with geometry that is visible in the physical view.

Example

The following example shows virtual routing pin modeling, where the bias connection is physically external to the cell.

```
pg_pin(VDDS){
  voltage_name : VDDS;
  direction : input;
  pg_type : pwell | nwell | deepnwell | deepwell;
  physical_connection : device_layer;
}
```

related_bias_pin

The `related_bias_pin` attribute defines all bias pins associated with a power or ground pin within a cell. The `related_bias_pin` attribute is required only when the attribute is declared in a pin group but it does not specify a complete relationship between the bias pin and power and ground pin for a library cell.

The `related_bias_pin` attribute also defines all bias pins associated with a signal pin. To associate back-bias pins to signal pins, use the `related_bias_pin` attribute to specify one of the following `pg_type` values: `pwell`, `nwell`, `deepwell`, `deepnwell`.

Example with a Power and Ground Pin

The following example shows the association of a back-bias pin to a power and ground pin.

```
pg_pin(signal_pin){
  related_power_pin : pg_pin_name ;
  related_ground_pin : pg_pin_name ;
  related_bias_pin : "bias_pin_name bias_pin_name ..." ;
}
```

Example with a Signal Pin

The following example shows the association of a back-bias pin to a signal pin.

```
pg_pin(pg_pin_name){
  related_bias_pin : "bias_pin_name bias_pin_name ..." ;
}
```

preset_condition Group

The `preset_condition` group is a group of attributes for a condition check on the normal mode preset expression.

If preset is asserted during the restore operation, it needs to extend beyond the restore operation time period so that the flip-flop content can be successfully overwritten. Therefore, trailing-edge condition checks on preset pins might be needed.

```
preset_condition() {  
  
    input : "Boolean_expression" ;  
    required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;  
}
```

Simple Attributes

input
required_condition

input Simple Attribute

The `input` attribute should be identical to the `preset` attribute in the `ff` group and defines how the asynchronous preset control is asserted.

Syntax

```
input : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

required_condition Simple Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the condition that the `input` attribute is required to be and is evaluated at the positive edge of the `clocked_on` attribute in the `clock_condition` group. If the expression evaluates to `false`, the cell is in an illegal state.

Syntax

```
required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

retention_condition Group

The `retention_condition` group includes attributes that specify the conditions for the retention cell to hold its state during the retention mode.

```
retention_condition() {  
    power_down_function : "Boolean_expression" ;  
    required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;  
}
```

Simple Attributes

power_down_function
required_condition

power_down_function Simple Attribute

The `power_down_function` attribute specifies the Boolean condition for the retention cell to be powered down, that is, the primary power to the cell is shut down. When this Boolean condition evaluates to true, it triggers the evaluation of the control input conditions specified by the `required_condition` attribute.

Syntax

```
power_down_function : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS" ;
```

required_condition Simple Attribute

The `required_condition` attribute specifies the control input conditions during the retention mode. These conditions are checked when the primary power to the retention cell is shut down. If these conditions are not met, the cell is considered to be in an illegal state.

Note:

Within the `retention_condition` group, the `power_down_function` attribute by itself does not specify the retention mode of the cell. The conditions specified by the `required_condition` attribute ensure that the retention control pin is in the correct state when the primary power to the cell is shut down.

Syntax

```
required_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
required_condition : "!CK * !RET" ;
```

routing_track Group

A `routing_track` group is defined at the `cell` group or `model` group level:

Syntax

```
library (name_string){  
  cell (name_string){  
    routing_track (routing_layer_name_string){  
      ... routing track description ...  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
tracks : integer ;  
total_track_area : float ;
```

Complex Attribute

```
short /* for model group only */
```

tracks Simple Attribute

The `tracks` attribute indicates the number of tracks available for routing on any particular layer.

Syntax

```
tracks : value_int ;
```

value

A number larger than or equal to 0.

Example

```
tracks : 2 ;
```

total_track_area Simple Attribute

The `total_track_area` attribute specifies the total routing area of the routing tracks.

Syntax

```
total_track_area : value_float ;
```

value

A floating-point number larger than or equal to 0.0 and less than or

equal to the area on the cell.

Example

```
total_track_area : 0.2 ;
```

statetable Group

The `statetable` group captures the function of more-complex sequential cells. It is defined in a `cell` group, `model` group, `scaled_cell` group, or `test_cell` group.

The purpose of this group is to define a state table. A state table is a sequential lookup table. It takes an arbitrary number of inputs and their delayed values and an arbitrary number of internal nodes and their delayed values to form an index to new internal node values.

Note:

In the `statetable` group, `table` is a keyword.

Syntax

```
statetable( "input node names",  
"internal node names" ) {  
  table : " input node values : current internal  
values :\n          next internal values,\n          input node values : current internal values  
:\n          next internal values";  
}
```

The following example shows a state table for a JK flip-flop with an active-low, direct-clear, and negative-edge clock:

Example

```
statetable ( "J      K      CN      CD",      "IQ" ) {  
  table:      "-      -      -      L      : - :  
L, \\  
      -      -      ~F      H      : - :      N, \  
      L      L      F      H      :L/H:      L/H, \  
      H      L      F      H      : - :      H, \  
      L      H      F      H      : - :      L, \  
      H      H      F      H      :L/H:      H/L"  
;  
}
```

test_cell Group

```
test cell          cell          model
```


The `group` is in a `group` or `group`. It models only the nontest behavior of a scan cell, which is described by an `ff`, `ff_bank`, `latch`, `latch_bank` or `statetable` statement and `pin` function attributes.

Syntax

```
library (namestring)
{
  cell (namestring)
  {
    test_cell () {
      ... test cell description ...
    }
  }
}
```

You do not need to give the test cell a name, because the test cell takes the name of the cell being defined.

Groups

```
ff (variable1id, variable2id) { }
ff_bank (variable1id, variable2string, bitsint) { }
latch (variable1id, variable2id) { }
latch_bank (variable1id, variable2id, bitsint){}
pin (nameid) { }
statetable ("input node names", "internal node names") { }
```

ff Group

For a discussion of the `ff` group syntax, see [“ff Group”](#).

ff_bank Group

For a discussion of the `ff_bank` group syntax, see [“ff_bank Group”](#).

latch Group

For a discussion of the `latch` group syntax, see [“latch Group”](#).

latch_bank Group

For a discussion of the `latch_bank` group syntax, see [“latch_bank Group”](#).

pin Group in a *test_cell* Group

Both test `pin` and nontest `pin` groups appear in `pin` groups within a `test cell`

group, as shown:

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    test_cell (name_string)
    {
      pin (name_string | name_list_string)
      {
        ... pin description ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

These groups are similar to `pin` groups in a `cell` group or `model` group but can contain only `direction`, `function`, `signal_type`, and `test_output_only` attributes. They cannot contain timing, capacitance, fanout, or load information.

Simple Attributes

```
direction : input | output | inout ;
function : Boolean expression ;
signal_type: test_scan_in | test_scan_in_inverted |
  test_scan_out | test_scan_out_inverted |
  test_scan_enable | test_scan_enable_inverted |
  test_scan_clock | test_scan_clock_a |
  test_scan_clock_b | test_clock ;
test_output_only : true | false ;
```

Group

```
statetable() { }
```

direction Attribute

The `direction` attribute states whether the pin being described is an input, output, or inout (bidirectional) pin. The default is input.

Syntax

```
direction : input | output | inout ;
```

Example

```
direction : input ;
```

function Attribute

The `function` attribute reflects only the nontest behavior of a cell.

An output pin must have either a `function` attribute or a `signal_type` attribute.

The `function` attribute in a `pin` group defines the value of an output pin or inout pin in terms of the input pins or inout pins in the `cell` group or `model` group. For more details about `function`, see the [“function Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

Identifies the replaced cell.

Example

```
function : "IQ" ;
```

signal_type Attribute

In a `test_cell` group, `signal_type` identifies the type of test pin.

Syntax

```
signal_type : "value";
```

Descriptions of the possible values for the `signal_type` attribute follow:

test_scan_in

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell. The scanned value is the same as the value present on the scan-in pin. All scan cells must have a pin with either the `test_scan_in` or the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute.

test_scan_in_inverted

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell as being of inverted polarity. The scanned value is the inverse of the value present on the scan-in pin.

For multiplexed flip-flop scan cells, the polarity of the scan-in pin is inferred from the latch or ff declaration of the cell itself. For other types of scan cells, clocked-scan, level-sensitive scan design (LSSD), and multiplexed flip-flop latches, it is not possible to give the ff or latch declaration of the entire scan cell. For these cases, you can use the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute in the cell

where the scan-in pin appears in the latch or ff declarations for the entire cell.

test_scan_out

Identifies the scan-out pin of a scan cell. The value present on the scan-out pin is the same as the scanned value. All scan cells must have a pin with either a `test_scan_out` or a `test_scan_out_inverted` attribute.

The scan-out pin corresponds to the output of the slave latch in the LSSD methodologies.

test_scan_out_inverted

Identifies the scan-out of a test cell as having inverted polarity. The value on this pin is the inverse of the scanned value.

test_scan_enable

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when high, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_enable_inverted

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when low, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_clock

Identifies the test scan clock for the clocked-scan methodology. The signal is assumed to be edge-sensitive. The active edge transfers data from the scan-in pin to the scan-out pin of a cell. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_a

Identifies the a clock pin in a cell that supports the single-latch LSSD, double-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodologies. When the a clock is at the active level, the master latch of the scan cell can accept scan-in data. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_b

Identifies the b clock pin in a cell that supports the single-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodologies. When the b clock is at the active level, the slave latch of the scan-cell can accept the value of the master latch. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_clock

Identifies an edge-sensitive clock pin that controls the capturing of

data to fill scan-in test mode in the auxiliary clock LSSD methodology.

If an input pin is used in both test and nontest modes (such as the clock input in the multiplexed flip-flop methodology), do not include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an input pin is used only in nontest mode and does not exist on the cell that it scans and replace, you must include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an output pin is used in nontest mode, it needs a `function` statement. The `signal_type` statement is used to identify an output pin as a scan-out pin. In a `test_cell` group, the `pin` group for an output pin can contain a `function` statement, a `signal_type` attribute, or both.

You do not have to define a `function` or `signal_type` attribute in the `pin` group if the pin is defined in a previous `test_cell` group for the same cell.

Example

```
signal_type : "test_scan_in" ;
```

test_output_only Attribute

This attribute is an optional Boolean attribute that you can set for any output port described in `statetable` format.

For a flip-flop or latch, if a port is used for both function and test, you provide the functional description using the `function` attribute. If a port is used for test only, omit the `function` attribute.

For a state table, a port always has a functional description. Therefore, to specify that a port is for test only, set the `test_output_only` attribute to `true`.

Syntax

```
test_output_only : true | false ;
```

Example

```
test_output_only : true ;
```

statetable Group

For a discussion of the `statetable` group syntax, see [“statetable Group”](#).

type Group

The `type` group, when defined within a cell, is a type definition local to the cell. It cannot be used outside of the cell.

Syntax

```
cell (namestring)
{
  type (namestring)
  {
    ... type description ...
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
base_type : array ;
bit_from  : integer ;
bit_to    : integer ;
bit_width : integer ;
data_type : bit ;
downto   : Boolean ;
```

base_type Simple Attribute

The only valid base type value is *array*.

Example

```
base_type : array ;
```

bit_from Simple Attribute

The `bit_from` attribute specifies the member number assigned to the most significant bit (MSB) of successive array members.

Syntax

```
bit_from : valueint ;

value
```

Indicates the member number assigned to the MSB of successive array members. The default is 0.

Example

```
bit_from : 0 ;
```

bit_to Simple Attribute

The `bit_to` attribute specifies the member number assigned to the least significant bit (LSB) of successive array members.

Syntax

```
bit_to : valueint ;
```

value

Indicates the member number assigned to the LSB of successive array members. The default is 0.

Example

```
bit_to : 3 ;
```

bit_width Simple Attribute

The `bit_width` attribute specifies the integer that designates the number of bus members.

Syntax

```
bit_width : valueint ;
```

value

Designates the number of bus members. The default is 1.

Example

```
bit_width : 4 ;
```

data_type Simple Attribute

Only the bit data type is supported.

Example

```
data_type : bit ;
```

downto Simple Attribute

The `downto` attribute specifies a Boolean expression that indicates whether

the MSB is high or low.

Syntax

```
downto : true | false ;
```

true

Indicates that member number assignment is from high to low. The default is `false` (low to high).

[Example 2-18](#) illustrates a `type` group statement in a cell.

Example 2-18 *type Group Within a Cell*

```
cell (buscell14) {
  type (BUS4) {
    base_type : array ;
    data_type : bit ;
    bit_width : 4 ;
    bit_from : 0 ;
    bit_to : 3 ;
    downto : true ;
  }
}
```

2.2 model Group

A `model` group is defined within a `library` group, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  model (name_string)
  {
    ... model description ...
  }
}
```

2.2.1 Attributes and Values

A `model` group can include all the attributes that are valid in a `cell` group, as well as the two additional attributes described in this section. For information about the `cell` group attributes, see [“Attributes and Values”](#).

Simple Attribute

```
cell_name
```


Complex Attribute

short

cell_name Simple Attribute

The `cell_name` attribute specifies the name of the cell within a `model` group.

Syntax

```
cell_name : "namestring";
```

Example

```
model(modelA) {  
  cell_name : "cellA";  
  ...  
}
```

short Complex Attribute

The `short` attribute lists the shorted ports that are connected together by a metal or poly trace. These ports are modeled within a `model` group.

The most common example of a shorted port is a feedthrough, where an input port is directly connected to an output port. Another example is two output ports that fan out from the same gate.

Syntax

```
short ("name_liststring");
```

Example

```
short(b, y);
```

[Example 2-19](#) shows how to use a `short` attribute in a `model` group.

Example 2-19 Using the short Attribute in a model Group

```
model(cellA) {  
  area : 0.4;  
  ...  
  short(b, y);  
  short(c, y);  
  short(b, c);  
  ...  
  pin(y) {  
    direction : output;  
    timing() {
```

```
        related_pin : a;
        ...
    }
}
pin(a) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
}
pin(b) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
}
pin(c) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 0.1;
    clock : true;
}
}
```

3. pin Group Description and Syntax

You can define a `pin` group within a `cell`, `test_cell`, `scaled_cell`, `model`, or `bus` group.

This chapter contains

- An example of the `pin` group syntax showing the attribute and group statements that you can use within the `pin` group
- Descriptions of the attributes and groups you can use in a `pin` group

3.1 Syntax of a pin Group in a cell or bus Group

A `pin` group can include simple and complex attributes and group statements. In a `cell` or `bus` group, the syntax of a `pin` group is as follows:

```
library (name)
{
  cell (name) {
    pin (name | name_list)
  {
    ... pin description ...
  }
}
cell (name) {
  bus (name) {
    pin (name | name_list)
  {
    ... pin description ...
  }
}
}
```

3.1.1 pin Group Example

[Example 3-1](#) shows `pin` groups with CMOS library attributes and a `timing` group.

Example 3-1 CMOS pin Group Example

```
library(example){
  date : "November 12, 2002" ;
  revision : 2.3 ;
  ...
  cell(AN2) {
    area : 2 ;
    pin(A) {
      direction : input ;
      dont_fault : true ;
      capacitance : 1.3 ;
    }
  }
}
```

```

        fanout_load : 2 ;    /* internal fanout load */
        max_transition : 4.2 ;/* design rule constraint */
    }
    pin(B) {
        direction : input ;
        capacitance : 1.3 ;
    }
    pin(Z) {
        direction : output ;
        function : "A * B" ;
        max_transition : 5.0 ;
        timing() {
            intrinsic_rise : 0.58 ;
            intrinsic_fall : 0.69 ;
            rise_resistance : 0.1378 ;
            fall_resistance : 0.0465 ;
            related_pin : "A B" ;
        }
    }
}

```

3.1.2 Simple Attributes

[Example 3-2](#) lists alphabetically a sampling of the attributes and groups that you can define within a pin group.

Example 3-2 Attributes and Values in a pin Group

```

/* Simple Attributes in a pin Group */

always_on : true | false ;
antenna_diode_type : power | ground | power_and_ground ;
antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "ground_pin1
ground_pin2" ;
antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "power_pin1
power_pin2" ;
bit_width : integer ; /* bus cells */
capacitance : float ;
clock : true | false ;
clock_gate_clock_pin : true | false ;
clock_gate_enable_pin : true | false ;
clock_gate_test_pin : true | false ;
clock_gate_obs_pin : true | false ;
clock_gate_out_pin : true | false ;
clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true | false ;
complementary_pin : "string" ;

```

```

connection_class : "name1 [name2 name3 ... ]" ;
direction : input | output | inout | internal ;
dont_fault : sa0 | sa1 | sa01 ;
drive_current : float ;
driver_type : pull_up | pull_down | open_drain | open_source | bus_hold | resistive |

resistive_0 | resistive_1 ;
fall_capacitance : float ;
fall_current_slope_after_threshold : float ;
fall_current_slope_before_threshold : float ;
fall_time_after_threshold : float ;
fall_time_before_threshold : float ;
fanout_load : float ;
fault_model : "two-value string" ;
function : "Boolean expression" ;
has_builtin_pad : Boolean expression ;
hysteresis : true | false ;
input_map : "name_string | name_list" ;
input_signal_level : string ;
input_voltage : string ;
internal_node : name_string ;      /* Required in statetable cells
*/
inverted_output : true | false ;/* Required in statetable cells
*/
is_pad : true | false ;
max_capacitance : float ;
max_fanout : float ;
max_input_noise_width : float ;
max_transition : float ;
min_capacitance : float ;
min_fanout : float ;
min_input_noise_width : float ;
min_period : float ;
min_pulse_width_high : float ;
min_pulse_width_low : float ;
min_transition : float ;
multicell_pad_pin : true | false ;
nextstate_type : data | preset | clear | load | scan_in | scan_enable
;
output_signal_level : string ;
output_voltage : string ;
pin_func_type : clock_enable | active_high | active_low |      active_rising |

active_falling ;
prefer_tied : "0" | "1" ;
primary_output : true | false ;
pulling_current : current value ;
pulling_resistance : resistance value;
restore_action : L | H | R | F ;
restore_edge_type : edge_trigger | leading | trailing ;

```

```

rise_capacitance : float ;
rise_current_slope_after_threshold : float ;
rise_current_slope_before_threshold : float ;
rise_time_after_threshold : float ;
rise_time_before_threshold : float ;
save_action : L | H | R | F ;
signal_type : test_scan_in | test_scan_in_inverted | test_scan_out
|
|           test_scan_out_inverted | test_scan_enable
|
|           test_scan_enable_inverted | test_scan_clock
|
|           test_scan_clock_a | test_scan_clock_b | test_clock
;
slew_control : low | medium | high | none ;
state_function : "Boolean expression" ;
test_output_only : true | false ;
three_state : "Boolean expression" ;
vhdl_name : "string" ;
x_function : "Boolean expression" ;

```

```

/* Complex Attributes in a pin Group */

```

```

fall_capacitance_range ( float, float) ;
rise_capacitance_range ( float, float) ;

```

```

/* Group Statements in a pin Group */

```

```

electromigration () { }
hyperbolic_noise_above_high () { }
hyperbolic_noise_below_low () { }
hyperbolic_noise_high () { }
hyperbolic_noise_low () { }
internal_power () { }
max_trans () { }
min_pulse_width () { }
minimum_period () { }
timing () { }
tlatch () {}

```

always_on Simple Attribute

The `always_on` simple attribute models always-on cells or signal pins. Specify the attribute at the cell level to determine whether a cell is an always-on cell. Specify the attribute at the pin level to determine whether a pin is an always-on signal pin.

Syntax

`always_on` : *Boolean expression* ;

Boolean expression

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
always_on : true ;
```

antenna_diode_related_ground_pins Simple Attribute

For an antenna-diode cell, the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute specifies the related ground pin of the cell. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute to the input pin of the cell.

For a cell with a built-in antenna-diode pin or port, the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute specifies the related ground pins for the antenna-diode pin. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_ground_pins` attribute to the antenna-diode pin.

Syntax

```
antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "ground_pin1  
ground_pin2" ;
```

Example

```
antenna_diode_related_ground_pins : "VSS1 VSS2" ;
```

antenna_diode_related_power_pins Simple Attribute

For an antenna-diode cell, the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute specifies the related power pin of the antenna-diode cell. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute to the input pin of the cell.

For a cell with a built-in antenna-diode pin or port, the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute specifies the related power pins for the antenna-diode pin. Apply the `antenna_diode_related_power_pins` attribute to the antenna-diode pin.

Syntax

```
antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "power_pin1  
power_pin2" ;
```

Example

```
antenna_diode_related_power_pins : "VDD1 VDD2" ;
```

antenna_diode_type Simple Attribute

The `antenna_diode_type` attribute specifies the type of pin in a macro cell. Valid values are `power`, `ground`, and `power_and_ground`.

Note:

You can specify the pin-level `antenna_diode_type` attribute only for a macro cell.

Syntax

```
antenna_diode_type : power | ground | power_and_ground ;
```

Example

```
antenna_diode_type : power ;
```

bit_width Simple Attribute

The `bit_width` attribute designates the number of bus members. The default is 1.

Syntax

```
bit_width : integer ;
```

Example

```
bit_width : 4 ;
```

capacitance Simple Attribute

The `capacitance` attribute defines the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin.

Syntax

```
capacitance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for capacitance include picofarads and standardized loads.

Example

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a capacitance of one unit.

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A,B) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
  }
}
```

clock Simple Attribute

The `clock` attribute indicates whether an input pin is a clock pin.

Syntax

```
clock : true | false ;
```

The `true` value specifies the pin as a clock pin. The `false` value specifies the pin as not a clock pin, even though it might have the clock characteristics.

Example

The following example defines pin CLK2 as a clock pin.

```
pin(CLK2) {
  direction : input ;
  capacitance : 1.0 ;
  clock : true ;
}
```

clock_gate_clock_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_gate_clock_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to a clock signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_clock_pin : true | false ;
```

A true value labels the pin as a clock pin. A false value labels the pin as not a clock pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_clock_pin : true ;
```

clock_gate_enable_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute identifies an input port connected to an enable signal for nonintegrated clock-gating cells and integrated clock-gating cells.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_enable_pin : true | false ;
```

A true value labels the input port pin connected to an enable signal for nonintegrated and integrated clock-gating cells. A false value labels the input port pin connected to an enable signal as *not* for nonintegrated and integrated clock-gating cells.

Example

```
clock_gate_enable_pin : true ;
```

For nonintegrated clock-gating cells, you can set the `clock_gate_enable_pin` attribute to true on only one input port of a 2-input AND, NAND, OR, or NOR gate. If you do so, the other input port is the clock.

clock_gate_test_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_gate_test_pin` attribute identifies an input pin connected to a `test_mode` or `scan_enable` signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_test_pin : true | false ;
```

A true value labels the pin as a test (`test_mode` or `scan_enable`) pin. A false value labels the pin as not a test pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_test_pin : true ;
```

clock_gate_obs_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_gate_obs_pin` attribute identifies an output pin connected to an observability signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_obs_pin : true | false ;
```

A true value labels the pin as an observability pin. A false value labels the pin

as not an observability pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_obs_pin : true ;
```

clock_gate_out_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_gate_out_pin` attribute identifies an output port connected to an `enable_clock` signal.

Syntax

```
clock_gate_out_pin : true | false ;
```

A true value labels the pin as an out (`enable_clock`) pin. A false value labels the pin as not an out pin.

Example

```
clock_gate_out_pin : true ;
```

clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin Simple Attribute

The `clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin` attribute identifies an input clock pin of a clock-isolation cell. The default is `false`.

Syntax

```
clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true | false ;
```

Example

```
clock_isolation_cell_clock_pin : true ;
```

complementary_pin Simple Attribute

The `complementary_pin` attribute supports differential I/O. Differential I/O assumes the following:

- When the noninverting pin equals 1 and the inverting pin equals 0, the signal gets logic 1.
- When the noninverting pin equals 0 and the inverting pin equals 1, the signal gets logic 0.

Use the `complementary_pin` attribute to identify the differential input inverting pin with which the noninverting pin is associated and from which it inherits timing information and associated attributes.

For information on the `connection_class` attribute, see [“connection_class Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
complementary_pin : "valuestring";
```

value

Identifies the differential input data inverting pin whose timing information and associated attributes the noninverting pin inherits. Only one input pin is modeled at the cell level. The associated differential inverting pin is defined in the same `pin` group as the noninverting pin.

For details on the `fault_model` attribute that you use to define the value when both the complementary pins are driven to the same value, see [“fault_model Simple Attribute”](#).

Example

```
cell (diff_buffer) {  
    ...  
    pin (A) { /* noninverting pin /  
        direction : input ;  
        complementary_pin : ("DiffA") /* inverting pin  
    /  
    }  
}
```

connection_class Simple Attribute

The `connection_class` attribute defines design rules for connections between cells. Only pins with the same connection class can be legally connected.

Syntax

```
connection_class : "name1 [name2 name3 ...  
]";
```

name

A name or names of your choice for the connection class. You can assign multiple connection classes to a pin by separating the connection class names with spaces.

Example

```
connection_class : "internal" ;
```

data_in_type Simple Attribute

In a `pin` group, the `data_in_type` attribute specifies the type of input data defined by the `data_in` attribute in a `latch` or `latch_bank` group.

Note:

The Boolean expression of the `data_in` attribute must include the pin with the `data_in_type` attribute.

Syntax

```
data_in_type : data | preset  
| clear | load ;
```

data

Identifies the pin as a synchronous data pin. This is the default value.

preset

Identifies the pin as a synchronous preset pin.

clear

Identifies the pin as a synchronous clear pin.

load

Identifies the pin as a synchronous load pin.

Example

```
cell(new_cell) {  
  latch (IQ, IQN){  
    enable : "(!ENN)";  
    data_in : "D";  
    clear : "(!RN)";  
  }  
  pin(D) {  
    direction : input;  
    data_in_type : preset;  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

direction Simple Attribute

The `direction` attribute declares a pin as being an input, output, inout (bidirectional), or internal pin. The default is `input`.

Syntax

direction : input | output | inout | internal ;

Example

In the following example, both A and B in the AND cell are input pins; Y is an output pin.

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A,B) {
    direction : input ;
  }
  pin (Y) {
    direction : output ;
  }
}
```

dont_fault Simple Attribute

The `dont_fault` attribute is a string (“stuck at”) that you can set on a library cell or pin.

Syntax

dont_fault : sa0 | sa1 | sa01 ;

Example

```
dont_fault : sa0;
```

The `dont_fault` attribute can also be defined in the `cell` group.

drive_current Simple Attribute

The `drive_current` attribute defines the drive current strength for the pad pin.

Syntax

drive_current : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number that represents the drive current the pad supplies in the units defined with the `current_unit` library-level attribute.

Example

```
drive_current : 5.0 ;
```

driver_type Simple Attribute

The `driver_type` attribute tells the VHDL library generator to use a special pin-driving configuration for the pin during simulation.

To support pull-up and pull-down circuit structures, the Liberty models for I/O pad cells support pull-up and pull-down driver information using the `driver_type` attribute with the values `pull_up` or `pull_down`. Liberty syntax also supports conditional (programmable) pull-up and pull-down driver information for I/O pad cells. For more information about programmable driver types, see [“Programmable Driver Type Functions”](#).

Syntax

```
driver_type : pull_up | pull_down | open_drain  
| open_source | bus_hold |  
resistive | resistive_0 | resistive_1 ;
```

pull_up

The pin is connected to power through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin, it is in the Z state and its function is evaluated as a resistive 1 (H). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 1 (H). For a pull-up cell, the pin constantly stays at logic 1 (H).

pull_down

The pin is connected to ground through a resistor. If it is a three-state output pin, it is in the Z state and its function is evaluated as a resistive 0 (L). If it is an input or inout pin and the node to which it is connected is in the Z state, it is considered an input pin at logic 0 (L). For a pull-down cell, the pin constantly stays at logic 0 (L).

open_drain

The pin is an output pin without a pull-up transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 1.

open_source

The pin is an output pin without a pull-down transistor. Use this driver type only for off-chip output or inout pins representing pads. The pin goes to high impedance (Z) when its function is evaluated as logic 0.

bus_hold

The pin is a bidirectional pin on a bus holder cell. The pin holds the last logic value present at that pin when no other active drivers are on the associated net. Pins with this driver type cannot have `function` or `three_state` statements.

resistive

The pin is an output pin connected to a controlled pull-up or pull-down transistor with a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-up or pull-down transistor is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin is turned into a weak 0, and a functional value of 1 is turned into a weak 1, but a functional value of Z is not affected.

resistive_0

The pin is an output pin connected to power through a pull-up transistor that has a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-up transistor is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 1 evaluated at the pin turns into a weak 1, but a functional value of 0 or Z is not affected.

resistive_1

The pin is an output pin connected to ground through a pull-down transistor that has a control port EN. When EN is disabled, the pull-down transistor is turned off and has no effect on the pin. When EN is enabled, a functional value of 0 evaluated at the pin turns into a weak 0, but a functional value of 1 or Z is not affected.

[Table 3-1](#) lists the driver types, their signal mappings, and the applicable pin types.

Table 3-1 Pin Driver Types

Driver type	Signal mapping	Pin
<code>pull_up</code>	01Z->01H	in, out
<code>pull_down</code>	01Z->01L	in, out
<code>open_drain</code>	01Z->0ZZ	out
<code>open_source</code>	01Z->0Z1Z	out
<code>bus_hold</code>	01Z->01S	inout
<code>resistive</code>	01Z->LHZ	out
<code>resistive_0</code>	01Z->0HZ	out

resistive_1	01Z->L1Z	out
-------------	----------	-----

Keep the following concepts in mind when interpreting [Table 3-1](#).

- The signal modifications a `driver_type` attribute defines divide into two categories, transformation and resolution.
 - Transformation specifies an actual signal transition from 0/1 to L/H/Z. This signal transition performs a function on an input signal and requires only a straightforward mapping.
 - Resolution resolves the value Z on an existing circuit node without actually performing a function and implies a constant (0/1) signal source as part of the resolution.

In [Table 3-1](#), the `pull_up`, `pull_down`, and `bus_hold` driver types define a resolution scheme. The remaining driver types define transformations.

[Example 3-3](#) describes an output pin with a pull-up resistor and the bidirectional pin on a `bus_hold` cell.

Example 3-3 Pin Driver Type Specifications

```

cell (bus) {
    pin(Y) {
        direction : output ;
        driver_type : pull_up ;
        pulling_resistance : 10000 ;
        function : "IO" ;
        three_state : "OE" ;
    }
}
cell (bus_hold) {
    pin(Y) {
        direction : inout ;
        driver_type : bus_hold ;
    }
}

```

Bidirectional pads often require one driver type for the output behavior and another driver type associated with the input behavior. In such a case, define multiple driver types in one `driver_type` attribute, as shown here:

```

driver_type : open_drain pull_up ;

```

Note:

An n-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_drain`, and a p-channel open-drain pad is flagged with `open_source`.

Programmable Driver Type Functions

Liberty syntax also supports conditional (programmable) pull-up and pull-down driver information for I/O pad cells. The programmable pin syntax has been extended to `driver_type` attribute values, such as `bus_hold`, `open_drain`, `open_source`, `resistive`, `resistive_0`, and `resistive_1`.

Syntax

The following syntax supports programmable driver types in I/O pad cell models. Unlike the nonprogrammable driver type support, the programmable driver type support allows you to specify more than one driver type within a pin.

```
pin (pin_name) { /* programmable driver type pin
*/
...
pull_up_function : "function string";
pull_down_function : "function string";
bus_hold_function : "function string";
open_drain_function : "function string";
open_source_function : "function string";
resistive_function : "function string";
resistive_0_function : "function string";
resistive_1_function : "function string";
...
}
```

The functions in [Table 3-2](#) have been introduced on top of (as an extension of) the existing `driver_type` attribute to support programmable pins. These driver type functions help model the programmable driver types. The same rules that apply to nonprogrammable driver types also apply to these functions.

Table 3-2 Programmable Driver Type Functions

Programmable driver type	Applicable on pin types
<code>pull_up_function</code>	Input, output and inout
<code>pull_down_function</code>	Input, output and inout
<code>bus_hold_function</code>	Inout
<code>open_drain_function</code>	Output and inout
<code>open_source_function</code>	Output and inout
<code>resistive_function</code>	Output and inout
<code>resistive_0_function</code>	Output and inout
<code>resistive_1_function</code>	Output and inout

Example

The following example models a programmable driver type in a I/O pad cell.

```
library(cond_pull_updown_example) {
delay_model : table_lookup;

time_unit : 1ns;
voltage_unit : 1V;
capacitive_load_unit (1.0, pf);
current_unit : 1mA;

cell(conditional_PU_PD) {
  dont_touch : true ;
  dont_use : true ;
  pad_cell : true ;
  pin(IO) {
    drive_current : 1 ;
    min_capacitance : 0.001 ;
    min_transition : 0.0008 ;
    is_pad : true ;
    direction : inout ;
    max_capacitance : 30 ;
    max_fanout : 2644 ;
    function : "(A*ETM')+(TA*ETM)" ;
    three_state : "(TEN*ETM')+(EN*ETM)" ;
    pull_up_function : "(!P1 * !P2)"
  ;

  pull_down_function : "( P1 * P2)" ;
  capacitance : 2.06649 ;
  timing() {
    related_pin : "IO A ETM TEN TA" ;
    cell_rise(scalar) {
      values("0" ) ;
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
      values("0" ) ;
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
      values("0" ) ;
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
      values("0" ) ;
    }
  }
  timing() {
```

```

        timing_type : three_state_disable;
        related_pin : "EN ETM TEN" ;
        cell_rise(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        rise_transition(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        cell_fall(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        fall_transition(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
    }

pin(ZI) {
    direction : output;
    function      : "IO" ;
    timing() {
        related_pin : "IO" ;
        cell_rise(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        rise_transition(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        cell_fall(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
        fall_transition(scalar) {
            values("0" ) ;
        }
    }
}

pin(A) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}

pin(EN) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}

pin(TA) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0;
}

pin(TEN) {
    direction : input;

```

```

        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin(ETM) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin(P1) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
    pin(P2) {
        direction : input;
        capacitance : 1.0;
    }
} /* End cell conditional_PU_PD */
} /* End Library */

```

driver_waveform Simple Attribute

The `driver_waveform` attribute specified at the pin level is the same as the `driver_waveform` attribute specified at the cell level. For more information, see [“driver_waveform Simple Attribute”](#).

driver_waveform_rise and driver_waveform_fall Simple Attributes

The `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes specified at the pin level are the same as the `driver_waveform_rise` and `driver_waveform_fall` attributes specified at the cell level. For more information, see [“driver_waveform_rise and driver_waveform_fall Simple Attributes”](#).

fall_capacitance Simple Attribute

Defines the load for an input and inout pin when its signal is falling.

Setting a value for the `fall_capacitance` attribute requires that a value for `rise_capacitance` also be set, and setting a value for `rise_capacitance` attribute requires that a value for the `fall_capacitance` also be set.

Syntax

```
fall_capacitance : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number that represents the internal fanout of the input pin. Typical units of measure for `fall_capacitance` include picofarads and standardized loads.

Example

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a `fall_capacitance` of one unit, a `rise_capacitance` of two units, and a

capacitance of two units.

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A,B) {
    direction : input ;
    fall_capacitance : 1 ;
    rise_capacitance : 2 ;
    capacitance : 2 ;
  }
}
```

fall_current_slope_after_threshold Simple Attribute

The `fall_current_slope_after_threshold` attribute represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time, from the point at which the rising transition reaches the threshold to the end of the transition.

Syntax

```
fall_current_slope_after_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the change in current.

Example

```
fall_current_slope_after_threshold : 0.07 ;
```

fall_current_slope_before_threshold Simple Attribute

The `fall_current_slope_before_threshold` attribute represents a linear approximation of the change in current with respect to time from the beginning of the falling transition to the threshold point.

Syntax

```
fall_current_slope_before_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the change in current.

Example

```
fall_current_slope_before_threshold : -0.14 ;
```

fall_time_after_threshold Simple Attribute

The `fall_time_after_threshold` attribute gives the time interval from the threshold point of the falling transition to the end of the transition.

Syntax

```
fall_time_after_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the time interval.

Example

```
fall_time_after_threshold : 1.8 ;
```

fall_time_before_threshold Simple Attribute

The `fall_time_before_threshold` attribute gives the time interval from the beginning of the falling transition to the point at which the threshold is reached.

Syntax

```
fall_time_before_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the time interval.

Example

```
fall_time_before_threshold : 0.55 ;
```

fanout_load Simple Attribute

The `fanout_load` attribute gives the internal fanout load for an input pin.

Syntax

```
fanout_load : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the internal fanout of the input pin. There are no fixed units for `fanout_load`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

```
pin (B) {
    direction : input ;
    fanout_load : 2.0 ;
}
```

fault_model Simple Attribute

The differential I/O feature enables an input noninverting pin to inherit the timing information and all associated attributes of an input inverting pin in the same `pin` group designated with the `complementary_pin` attribute.

The `fault_model` attribute defines a two-value string when both differential inputs are driven to the same value. The first value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 0, and the second value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 1.

For details on the `complementary_pin` attribute, see [“complementary_pin Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
fault_model : "two-value string" ;
```

two-value string

Two values that define the value of the differential signals when both inputs are driven to the same value. The first value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 0; the second value represents the value when both input pins are at logic 1. Valid values for the two-value string are any two-value combinations made up of 0, 1, and x.

If you do not enter a `fault_model` attribute value, the signal pin value goes to x when both input pins are 0 or 1.

Example

```
cell (diff_buffer) {
    ...
    pin (A) { /* noninverting pin /
        direction : input ;
        complementary_pin : ("DiffA")
        fault_model : "1x" ;
    }
}
```

function Simple Attribute

The `function` attribute describes the value of a pin or bus.

Pin Names as function Statement Arguments

The `function` attribute in a `pin` group defines the value of an output pin or inout pin in terms of the input pins or inout pins in the `cell` group.

Syntax

```
function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

[Table 3-3](#) lists the valid Boolean operators in a function statement. The precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

Table 3-3 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	invert previous expression
!	invert following expression
^	logical XOR
*	logical AND
&	logical AND
space	logical AND
+	logical OR
	logical OR
1	signal tied to logic 1
0	signal tied to logic 0

The following example describes pin Q with the function A OR B.

Example

```
pin(Q) {  
    direction : output ;  
    function : "A + B" ;  
}
```

Note:

Pin names beginning with a number, and pin names containing special characters, must be enclosed in double quotation marks

preceded by a backslash (\), as shown here:

```
function : " \"1A\" + \"1B\" " ;
```

The absence of a backslash causes the quotation marks to terminate the function statement.

The following `function` statements all describe 2-input multiplexers. The parentheses are optional. The operators and operands are separated by spaces.

```
function : "A S + B S'" ;  
function : "A & S | B & !S" ;  
function : "(A * S) + (B * S')" ;
```

Grouped Pins in a function Statement

Grouped pins can be used as variables in the `function` attribute statement.

In `function` attribute statements that use bus or bundle names, all the variables must be either buses or bundles of the same width, or a single bus pin.

The range for the buses or bundles is valid if the range you define contains the same number of members (pins) as the other buses or bundles in the same expression. You can reverse the bus order by listing the member numbers in reverse (high:low) order.

When the `function` attribute of a cell with group input pins is a combinational logic function of grouped variables only, the logic function is expanded to apply to each set of output grouped pins independently. For example, if A, B, and Z are defined as buses of the same width and the function statement for output Z is

```
function : "(A & B)" ;
```

the function for Z[0] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[0] & B[0])" ;
```

and the function for Z[1] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[1] & B[1])" ;
```

If a bus and a single pin are in the same `function` attribute, the single pin is distributed across all members of the bus. For example, if A and Z are buses of the same width, B is a single pin, and the function statement for the Z output is

```
function : "(A & B)" ;
```

the function for Z[0] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[0] & B)" ;
```

Likewise, the function for Z[1] is interpreted as

```
function : "(A[1] & B)" ;
```

has_builtin_pad Simple Attribute

Use this attribute in the case of an FPGA containing an ASIC core connected to the chip's port. When set to true, this attribute specifies that an output pin has a built-in pad, which prevents pads from being inserted on the net connecting the pin to the chip's port.

Syntax

```
has_builtin_pad : Boolean ;
```

Example

```
has_builtin_pad : true ;
```

has_pass_gate Simple Attribute

The `has_pass_gate` simple Boolean attribute can be defined in a pin group to indicate whether the pin is internally connected to at least one pass gate.

Syntax

```
has_pass_gate : Boolean expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are true and false.

hysteresis Simple Attribute

The `hysteresis` attribute allows the pad to accommodate longer transition times, which are more subject to noise problems.

Syntax

```
hysteresis : true | false ;
```

When the attribute is set to true, the `vil` and `vol` voltage ratings are actual transition points. When the `hysteresis` attribute is omitted, the value is assumed to be false and no hysteresis occurs.

Example

```
hysteresis : true ;
```

input_map Simple Attribute

The `input_map` attribute maps the input, internal, or output pin names to input and internal node names defined in the `statetable` group.

Syntax

```
input_map : name_id ;
```

name

A string representing a name or a list of port names, separated by spaces, that correspond to the input pin names, followed by the internal node names.

Example

```
input_map : " D G R Q " ;
```

input_signal_level Simple Attribute

The `input_signal_level` attribute describes the voltage levels in the `pin` group of a cell with multiple power supplies.

The `input_signal_level` attribute is used for an input or inout pin definition. The `output_signal_level` attribute is used for an output or inout pin definition. If the `input_signal_level` or `output_signal_level` attribute is missing, you can apply the default power supply name to the cell.

To model CCS noise stages in multivoltage designs, use the `output_signal_level` and `input_signal_level` attributes to specify internal power supplies in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups, respectively.

Syntax

```
input_signal_level: name ;  
output_signal_level: name ;
```

name

A string representing the name of the power supply already defined at the library level.

Example

```
input_signal_level: VDD1 ;  
output_signal_level: VDD2 ;
```

input_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal falling from 1 to 0. The default value is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_fall : 60.0 ;
```

input_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute

Use the `input_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the threshold point on an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointfloat ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the threshold point of an input pin signal rising from 0 to 1. The default value is 50.0.

Example

```
input_threshold_pct_rise : 40.0 ;
```

input_voltage Simple Attribute

You can define a special set of voltage thresholds in the `library` group with the `input_voltage` or `output_voltage` attribute. You can then apply the default voltage ranges in the group to selected cells with the `input_voltage` or `output_voltage` attribute in the pin definition.

Syntax

```
input_voltage : name_id ;;
output_voltage : name_id ;;
```

name

A string representing the name of the voltage range group defined at the library level. The `input_voltage` attribute is used for an input pin definition, and the `output_voltage` attribute is used for an output pin definition.

Example

```
input_voltage : CMOS_SCHMITT ;
output_voltage : GENERAL ;
```

internal_node Simple Attribute

The `internal_node` attribute describes the sequential behavior of an internal pin or an output pin. It indicates the relationship between an internal node in the `statetable` group and a pin of a cell. Each output or internal pin with the `internal_node` attribute can also have the optional `input_map` attribute.

Syntax

```
internal_node : pin_name_id ;
```

pin_name

Name of either an internal or output pin.

Example

```
internal_node : IQ ;
```

inverted_output Simple Attribute

Except in `statetable` cells, where it is required, the `inverted_output` attribute is an optional Boolean attribute that can be set for any output port. Set this attribute to `true` if the output from the pin is inverted. Set it to `false` if the output is not inverted.

Syntax

```
inverted_output : Boolean expression ;
```

Example

```
inverted_output : true
```

is_analog Attribute

The `is_analog` attribute identifies an analog signal pin as analog so it can be recognized by tools. The valid values for `is_analog` are `true` and `false`. Set the `is_analog` attribute to `true` at the pin level to specify that the signal pin is analog.

Syntax

The syntax for the `is_analog` attribute is as follows:

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        is_analog: true | false ;
        ...
    }
}
```

Example

The following example identifies the pin as an analog signal pin.

```
pin(Analog) {
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1.0 ;
    is_analog : true;
}
```

is_pad Simple Attribute

The `is_pad` attribute indicates which pin represents the pad. The valid values are `true` and `false`. You can also specify the `is_pad` attribute on PG pins. If the cell-level `pad_cell` attribute is specified on a I/O cell, you must set the `is_pad` attribute to `true` in either a `pg_pin` group or on a signal pin for that cell.

Syntax

```
is_pad : Boolean expression ;
```

This attribute must be used on at least one pin with a `pad_cell` attribute.

Example

```
cell(INBUF) {
    ...
    pad_cell : true ;
    ...
    pin(PAD) {
        direction : input ;
        is_pad : true ;
        ...
    }
}
```

```
    }  
}
```

is_pll_reference_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_reference_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as a reference pin on the phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_reference_pin` attribute should be set to true in only one input pin group.

Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {  
  is_pll_cell : true;  
  pin (ref_pin_name) {  
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;  
    direction : output;  
    ...  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

Example

```
cell(my_pll) {  
  is_pll_cell : true;  
  
  pin( REFCLK ) {  
    direction : input;  
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

is_pll_feedback_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_feedback_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as a feedback pin on a phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_feedback_pin` attribute should be set to true in only one input pin group.

Syntax

```
cell (cell_name) {  
  is_pll_cell : true;  
  pin (ref_pin_name) {  
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;  
    direction : output;  
    ...  
  }  
  pin (feedback_pin_name) {  
    is_pll_feedback_pin : true;  
    direction : output;  
    ...  
  }  
}
```


Example

```
cell(my_pll) {
  is_pll_cell : true;

  pin( REFCLK ) {
    direction : input;
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;
  }

  pin( FBKCLK ) {
    direction : input;
    is_pll_feedback_pin : true;
  }
  ...
}
```

is_pll_output_pin Attribute

The `is_pll_output_pin` Boolean attribute tags a pin as an output pin on a phase-locked loop. In a phase-locked loop cell group, the `is_pll_output_pin` attribute should be set to true in one or more output pin groups.

Syntax

```
cell ( cell_name ) {
  is_pll_cell : true;
  pin ( ref_pin_name ) {
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
  ...
  pin ( output_pin_name ) {
    is_pll_output_pin : true;
    direction : output;
    ...
  }
}
```

Example

```
cell(my_pll) {
  is_pll_cell : true;

  pin( REFCLK ) {
    direction : input;
    is_pll_reference_pin : true;
  }
  ...
  pin (OUTCLK_1x) {
    direction : output;
    is_pll_output_pin : true;
  }
}
```

```

timing() {      /* Timing Arc */
  related_pin: "REFCLK";
  timing_type: combinational_rise;
  timing_sense: positive_unate;
  ...
}
timing() {      /* Timing Arc */
  related_pin: "REFCLK";
  timing_type: combinational_fall;
  timing_sense: positive_unate;
  ...
}
...
} /* End pin group */
} /* End cell group */

```

is_unbuffered Simple Attribute

The `is_unbuffered` attribute specifies the pin as unbuffered. You can specify this optional attribute on the pins of any library cell. The default is `false`.

Syntax

```
is_unbuffered : Boolean expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

isolation_cell_enable_pin Simple Attribute

The `isolation_cell_enable_pin` attribute specifies the enable input pin of an isolation cell including a clock isolation cell. For more information about isolation cells, see [“is_isolation_cell Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
isolation_cell_enable_pin : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
isolation_cell_enable_pin : true ;
```

isolation_cell_data_pin Simple Attribute

The `isolation_cell_data_pin` attribute identifies the data pin of any isolation cell. The valid values of this attribute are `true` or `false`. If this attribute is not specified, all the input pins of the isolation cell are considered to be data pins.

Syntax

```
isolation_cell_data_pin : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
isolation_cell_data_pin : true ;
```

permit_power_down Simple Attribute

The `permit_power_down` attribute identifies the power pin of an isolation cell, that can be powered down. The valid values of this attribute are `true` or `false`. The default is `true`, meaning that the power pin is allowed to power down in the isolation mode.

Syntax

```
permit_power_down : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` or `false`.

Example

```
permit_power_down : true ;
```

alive_during_partial_power_down Simple Attribute

The `alive_during_partial_power_down` attribute indicates that the pin with this attribute is active while the isolation cell is partially powered down, and the UPF isolation supply set is used for the power reference instead of the power and ground rails. The valid values of this attribute are `true` and `false`. The default is `true`.

Syntax

```
alive_during_partial_power_down : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` or `false`.

Example

```
alive_during_partial_power_down : true ;
```

is_isolated Simple Attribute

The `is_isolated` attribute indicates that a pin, bus, or bundle of a cell is internally isolated and does not require the insertion of an external isolation cell. The attribute is applicable to pins of macro cells.

The valid values are `true` and `false`. The default is `false`.

Syntax

```
is_isolated : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` or `false`.

Example

```
is_isolated : true ;
```

isolation_enable_condition Simple Attribute

The `isolation_enable_condition` attribute specifies the isolation condition for internally-isolated pins, buses, and bundles of a cell. When this attribute is defined in a `pin` group, the corresponding Boolean expression can include only input and inout pins. Do not include the output pins of an internally isolated cell in the Boolean expression.

The attribute is applicable to pins of macro cells.

When the `isolation_enable_condition` attribute is defined in a `bus` or `bundle` group, the corresponding Boolean expression can include pins, and buses and bundles of the same bit-width. For example, when the Boolean expression includes a bus and a bundle, both of them must have the same bit-width.

Pins, buses, and bundles that have the `isolation_enable_condition` attribute must also have the `always_on` attribute. Do not specify the `always_on` attribute in the library files. This attribute is automatically inferred to be `true` when you specify the `isolation_enable_condition` attribute.

Syntax

```
isolation_enable_condition : Boolean expression ;
```

Example

```
isolation_enable_condition : "en" ;
```

level_shifter_enable_pin Simple Attribute

The `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute specifies the enable input pin on a level shifter cell. For more information about level shifter cells, see [“is_level_shifter Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
level_shifter_enable_pin : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
```

level_shifter_enable_pin Simple Attribute

The `level_shifter_enable_pin` attribute specifies the enable input pin on a level shifter cell. For more information about level shifter cells, see [“is_level_shifter Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
level_shifter_enable_pin : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

Example

```
level_shifter_enable_pin : true ;
```

map_to_logic Simple Attribute

The `map_to_logic` attribute specifies which logic level to tie a pin when a power-switch cell functions as a normal cell. For more information about power-switch cells, see [“power_gating_cell Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
map_to_logic : boolean_expression ;
```

Boolean expression

Valid values are `1` and `0`.

Example

```
map_to_logic : 1 ;
```

max_capacitance Simple Attribute

The `max_capacitance` attribute defines the maximum total capacitive load an output pin can drive. Define this attribute only for an output or inout pin.

Syntax

```
max_capacitance : value ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitive load.

Example

```
max_capacitance : 1 ;
```

max_fanout Simple Attribute

The `max_fanout` attribute defines the maximum fanout load that an output pin can drive.

Syntax

```
max_fanout : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the number of fanouts the pin can drive. There are no fixed units for `max_fanout`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

In the following example, pin X can drive a fanout load of no more than 11.0.

```
pin (X) {  
    direction : output ;  
    max_fanout : 11.0 ;  
}
```

max_input_noise_width Simple Attribute

The `max_input_noise_width` attribute allows you to specify a maximum value for the input noise width on an input pin or an output pin.

Note:

When you specify a `max_input_noise_width` value, you must also specify a `min_input_noise_width` value that is less than or equal to the `max_input_noise_width` value.

Syntax

```
max_input_noise_width : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the maximum input noise width.

Example

```
max_input_noise_width : 0.0 ;
```

max_transition Simple Attribute

The `max_transition` attribute defines a design rule constraint for the maximum acceptable transition time of an input or output pin.

Syntax

```
max_transition : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number in units consistent with other time values in the library.

Example

The following example shows a `max_transition` time of 4.2:

```
max_transition : 4.2 ;
```

min_capacitance Simple Attribute

The `min_capacitance` attribute defines the minimum total capacitive load an output pin should drive. Define this attribute only for an output or inout pin.

Syntax

```
min_capacitance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the capacitive load.

Example

```
min_capacitance : 1 ;
```

min_fanout Simple Attribute

The `min_fanout` attribute defines the minimum fanout load that an output pin should drive.

Syntax

```
min_fanout : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum number of fanouts the pin can drive. There are no fixed units for `min_fanout`. Typical units are standard loads or pin count.

Example

In the following example, pin X can drive a fanout load of no less than 3.0.

```
pin (X) {  
    direction : output ;  
    min_fanout : 3.0 ;  
};
```

min_input_noise_width Simple Attribute

The `min_input_noise_width` attribute allows you to specify a minimum value for the input noise width on an input pin or an output pin.

Note:

When you specify a `min_input_noise_width` value, you must also specify a `max_input_noise_width` value that is equal to or greater than the `min_input_noise_width` value.

Syntax

```
min_input_noise_width : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the minimum input noise width.

Example

```
min_input_noise_width : 0.0 ;
```

min_period Simple Attribute

Placed on the clock pin of a flip-flop or latch, the `min_period` attribute specifies the minimum clock period required for the input pin.

Syntax

```
min_period : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number indicating a time unit.

Example

```
pin (CLK4) {  
    direction : input ;  
    capacitance : 1 ;  
    clock : true ;  
    min_period : 26.0 ;  
}
```

min_pulse_width_high Simple Attribute

The VHDL library generator uses the optional `min_pulse_width_high` and `min_pulse_width_low` attributes for simulation.

Syntax

```
min_pulse_width_high : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number defined in units consistent with other time values in the library. It gives the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 1 (`min_pulse_width_high`) or logic 0 (`min_pulse_width_low`).

Example

The following example shows both attributes on a clock pin, indicating the minimum pulse width for a clock pin.

```

pin(CLK) {
    direction : input ;
    capacitance : 1 ;
    min_pulse_width_high : 3 ;
    min_pulse_width_low : 3 ;
}

```

min_pulse_width_low Simple Attribute

For information about using the `min_pulse_width_low` attribute, see the description of the [min_pulse_width_high Simple Attribute](#).

multicell_pad_pin Simple Attribute

The `multicell_pad_pin` attribute indicates which pin on a cell should be connected to another cell to create the correct configuration.

Syntax

```
multicell_pad_pin : true | false ;
```

Use this attribute for all pins on a pad cell or auxiliary pad cell that are connected to another cell.

Example

```
multicell_pad_pin : true ;
```

nextstate_type Simple Attribute

In a `pin` group, the `nextstate_type` attribute defines the type of the `next_state` attribute. You define a `next_state` attribute in an `ff` group or an `ff_bank` group.

Note:

icSpecify a `nextstate_type` attribute to ensure that the synchronous set (or synchronous reset) pin and the D pin of a sequential cell are not swapped when the design is instantiated.

Syntax

```

nextstate_type : data | preset
| clear | load | scan_in | scan_enable ;

```

where

data

Identifies the pin as a synchronous data pin. This is the default value.

preset

Identifies the pin as a synchronous preset pin.

clear

Identifies the pin as a synchronous clear pin.

load

Identifies the pin as a synchronous load pin.

scan_in

Identifies the pin as a synchronous scan-in pin.

scan_enable

Identifies the pin as a synchronous scan-enable pin.

Any pin with the `nextstate_type` attribute must be in the `next_state` function. A consistency check is also made between the pin's `nextstate_type` attribute and the `next_state` function. [Format Example & Pagenot handled yet.](#) shows a `nextstate_type` attribute in a bundle group.

[output_signal_level Simple Attribute](#)

See "[input_signal_level Simple Attribute](#)".

[output_voltage Simple Attribute](#)

See "[input_voltage Simple Attribute](#)".

[pg_function Simple Attribute](#)

The `pg_function` attribute is used for the coarse-grain switch cells' virtual VDD output pins to represent the propagated power level through the switch as a function of input `pg_pins`. This is a logical buffer and is useful where the VDD and VSS connectivity might be erroneously reversed.

Syntax

```
pg_function : "function_string" ;
```

Example

```
pg_function : "VDD" ;
```

[pin_func_type Simple Attribute](#)

The `pin_func_type` attribute describes the functionality of a pin.

Syntax

```
pin_func_type : clock_enable | active_high | active_low |  
  
               active_rising | active_falling  
;
```

clock_enable

Enables the clocking mechanism.

active_high and active_low

Describes the clock active edge or the level of the enable pin of the latches.

active_rising and active_falling

Describes the clock active edge or level of the clock pin of the flip-flops.

Example

```
pin_func_type : clock_enable ;
```

power_down_function Simple Attribute

The `power_down_function` string attribute specifies the Boolean condition under which the cell's output pin is switched off by the state of the power and ground pins (when the cell is in off mode due to the external power pin states).

You specify the `power_down_function` attribute for combinational and sequential cells. For simple or complex sequential cells, `power_down_function` also determines the condition of the cell's internal state.

Syntax

```
power_down_function : function_string ;
```

Example

```
power_down_function : "!VDD + VSS";
```

prefer_tied Simple Attribute

The `prefer_tied` attribute describes an input pin of a flip-flop or latch. It indicates what the library developer wants this pin connected to.

Syntax

```
prefer_tied : "0" | "1" ;
```

You can have as many `prefer_tied` attributes as possible while it is still able to implement D functionality. However, not all will be honored.

For example, if the library developer specifies

```
prefer_tied : "0" ;
```

on all the inputs, as many as possible are honored and the rest are ignored.

Example

The following example shows a `prefer_tied` attribute on a test-enable pin.

```
pin(TE) {  
    direction : input;  
    prefer_tied : "0" ;  
}
```

primary_output Simple Attribute

The `primary_output` attribute describes the primary output pin of a device that has more than one output pin for a particular phase of the output signal. When set to true, it indicates that one of the output pins is the primary output pin.

Syntax

```
primary_output : true | false ;
```

pulling_current Simple Attribute

The `pulling_current` attribute defines the current-drawing capability of a pull-up or pull-down device on a pin. This attribute can be used for pins with the `driver_type` attribute set to `pull_up` or `pull_down`.

Syntax

```
pulling_current : current value ;
```

current value

If you characterize your pull-up or pull-down devices in terms of the current drawn during nominal operating conditions, use `pulling_current` instead of `pulling_resistance`.

Example

```
pin(Y) {  
    direction : output ;  
    driver_type : pull_up ;  
    pulling_resistance : 1000 ;  
    ...  
}
```

```
}
```

[pulling_resistance Simple Attribute](#)

The `pulling_resistance` attribute defines the resistance strength of a pull-up or pull-down device on a pin. This attribute can be used for pins with the `driver_type` attribute set to `pull_up` or `pull_down`.

Syntax

```
pulling_resistance : resistance  
value ;
```

resistance value

The resistive strength of the pull-up or pull-down device.

Example

```
pin(Y) {  
    direction : output ;  
    driver_type : pull_up ;  
    pulling_resistance : 1000 ;  
    ...  
}
```

[pulse_clock Simple Attribute](#)

Use the `pulse_clock` attribute to model edge-derived clocks at the pin level.

Syntax

```
pulse_clock : pulse_typeenum ;
```

pulse_type

The valid values are `rise_triggered_high_pulse`, `rise_triggered_low_pulse`, `fall_triggered_high_pulse`, and `fall_triggered_low_pulse`.

Example

```
pin(Y) {  
    ...  
    pulse_clock : rise_triggered_low_pulse ;  
    ...  
}
```

related_ground_pin Simple Attribute

The optional `related_power_pin` and `related_ground_pin` attributes, defined at the pin level for output pins and inout pins, replace the `output_signal_level` attribute. These attributes can also be defined at the pin level for input/inout pins to replace the `input_signal_level`, except when you have input overdrive models. In this case, you need to use the `input_signal_level` to capture the input overdrive voltage, which cannot be modeled with `related_power_pin`.

Syntax

```
related_ground_pin : pg_pin_nameid ;
```

pg_pin_name

Name of the related ground pin.

Example

```
pin(Y) {  
    ...  
    related_ground_pin : G1 ;  
    ...  
}
```

related_power_pin Simple Attribute

For details about the `related_ground_pin` attribute, see [“related_ground_pin Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
related_power_pin : pg_pin_nameid ;
```

pg_pin_name

Name of the related power pin.

Example

```
pin(Y) {  
    ...  
    related_power_pin : P1 ;  
    ...  
}
```

restore_action Simple Attribute

The `restore_action` attribute specifies where the restore event occurs with respect to the restore control signal. Valid values are `L` (low), `H` (high), `R` (rise), and `F` (fall).

Syntax

```
restore_action : L | H | R | F ;
```

Example

```
restore_action : "R" ;
```

restore_condition Simple Attribute

The `restore_condition` attribute specifies the input condition during the restore event in a retention cell. This condition is checked at the value of the `restore_action` attribute. When the condition is not met, the cell is in an illegal state.

Syntax

```
restore_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
restore_condition : "!CK" ;
```

restore_edge_type Simple Attribute

The `restore_edge_type` attribute specifies the type of the edge of the restore signal where the output of the master-slave latch is restored. The `restore_edge_type` attribute supports the following edge-types: `edge_trigger`, `leading`, and `trailing`.

The `edge_trigger` edge-type specifies that the flip-flop data is restored immediately at the restore signal edge and can also begin normal operation immediately.

The `leading` edge-type specifies that the flip-flop data is available at leading edge of the restore signal. The flip-flop can begin normal operation after the trailing edge of the restore signal.

The `trailing` edge-type specifies that the flip-flop data is available at the trailing edge of the restore signal. The flip-flop also can begin normal operation after the trailing edge of the restore signal.

The default value of the `restore_edge_type` attribute is `leading`.

Syntax

```
restore_edge_type : edge_trigger | leading  
| trailing ;
```

Example

```
restore_edge_type : "leading" ;
```


rise_capacitance Simple Attribute

Defines the load for an input or an inout pin when its signal is rising.

Setting a value for the `rise_capacitance` attribute requires that a value for `fall_capacitance` attribute also be set, and setting a value for `fall_capacitance` requires that a value for the `rise_capacitance` also be set.

Syntax

```
rise_capacitance : float ;
```

float

A floating-point number in units consistent with other capacitance specifications throughout the library. Typical units of measure for `rise_capacitance` include picofarads and standardized loads.

Example

The following example defines the A and B pins in an AND cell, each with a `fall_capacitance` of one unit, a `rise_capacitance` of two units, and a capacitance of two units.

```
cell (AND) {
  area : 3 ;
  vhdl_name : "AND2" ;
  pin (A,B) {
    direction : input ;
    fall_capacitance : 1 ;
    rise_capacitance : 2 ;
    capacitance : 2 ;
  }
}
```

rise_current_slope_after_threshold Simple Attribute

The `rise_current_slope_after_threshold` attribute represents a linear approximation of the change in current over time from the point at which the rising transition reaches the threshold to the end of the transition.

Syntax

```
rise_current_slope_after_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A negative floating-point number that represents the change in current.

Example

```
rise_current_slope_after_threshold : -0.09 ;
```

rise_current_slope_before_threshold Simple Attribute

The `rise_current_slope_before_threshold` attribute represents a linear approximation of the change in current over time, from the beginning of the rising transition to the threshold point.

Syntax

```
rise_current_slope_before_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number that represents the change in current.

Example

```
rise_current_slope_before_threshold : 0.18;
```

rise_time_after_threshold Simple Attribute

The `rise_time_after_threshold` attribute gives the time interval from the threshold point of the rising transition to the end of the transition.

Syntax

```
rise_time_after_threshold : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the time interval for the rise transition from threshold to finish (after).

Example

```
icrise_time_after_threshold : 2.4;
```

rise_time_before_threshold Simple Attribute

The `rise_time_before_threshold` attribute gives the time interval from the beginning of the rising transition to the point at which the threshold is reached.

Syntax

`rise_time_before_threshold : valuefloat ;`

value

A floating-point number that represents the time interval for the rise transition from start to threshold (before).

Example

```
rise_time_before_threshold : 0.8 ;
```

save_action Simple Attribute

The `save_action` attribute specifies where the save event occurs with respect to the save signal. Valid values are `L` (low), `H` (high), `R` (rise), and `F` (fall). For level-sensitive latches (`L` or `H`), the save event occurs at the trailing edge of the save signal.

Syntax

```
save_action : L | H | R | F ;
```

Example

```
save_action : "R" ;
```

save_condition Simple Attribute

The `save_condition` attribute specifies the input condition during the save event in a retention cell. This condition is checked at a value specified by the `save_action` attribute. When the condition is not met, the cell is in an illegal state.

Syntax

```
save_condition : "Boolean_expression" ;
```

Example

```
save_condition : "!CK" ;
```

signal_type Simple Attribute

In a `test_cell` group, the `signal_type` attribute identifies the type of test pin.

Syntax

```
signal_type : test_scan_in | test_scan_in_inverted  
|  
  test_scan_out | test_scan_out_inverted |  
  test_scan_enable |  
  test_scan_enable_inverted |
```

test_scan_clock | test_scan_clock_a |
test_scan_clock_b | test_clock ;

test_scan_in

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell. The scanned value is the same as the value present on the scan-in pin. All scan cells must have a pin with either the `test_scan_in` or the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute.

test_scan_in_inverted

Identifies the scan-in pin of a scan cell as having inverted polarity. The scanned value is the inverse of the value present on the scan-in pin.

For multiplexed flip-flop scan cells, the polarity of the scan-in pin is inferred from the latch or ff declaration of the cell itself. For other types of scan cells, clocked-scan, LSSD, and multiplexed flip-flop latches, it is not possible to give the ff or latch declaration of the entire scan cell. For these cases, you can use the `test_scan_in_inverted` attribute in the cell where the scan-in pin appears in the latch or ff declarations for the entire cell.

test_scan_out

Identifies the scan-out pin of a scan cell. The value present on the scan-out pin is the same as the scanned value. All scan cells must have a pin with either a `test_scan_out` or a `test_scan_out_inverted` attribute.

The scan-out pin corresponds to the output of the slave latch in the LSSD methodologies.

test_scan_out_inverted

Identifies the scan-out pin of a test cell as having inverted polarity. The value on this pin is the inverse of the scanned value.

test_scan_enable

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when high, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_enable_inverted

Identifies the pin of a scan cell that, when low, indicates that the cell is configured in scan-shift mode. In this mode, the clock transfers data from the scan-in input to the scan-out input.

test_scan_clock

Identifies the test scan clock for the clocked-scan methodology. The signal is assumed to be edge-sensitive. The active edge transfers data from the scan-in pin to the scan-out pin of a cell. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the

associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_a

Identifies the a clock pin in a cell that supports a single-latch LSSD, double-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodology. When the a clock is at the active level, the master latch of the scan cell can accept scan-in data. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_scan_clock_b

Identifies the b clock pin in a cell that supports the single-latch LSSD, clocked LSSD, or auxiliary clock LSSD methodology. When the b clock is at the active level, the slave latch of the scan-cell can accept the value of the master latch. The sense of this clock is determined by the sense of the associated timing arcs.

test_clock

Identifies an edge-sensitive clock pin that controls the capturing of data to fill scan-in test mode in the auxiliary clock LSSD methodology.

If an input pin is used in both test and nontest modes (such as the clock input in the multiplexed flip-flop methodology), do not include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an input pin is used only in test mode and does not exist on the cell that it scans and replaces, you must include a `signal_type` statement for that pin in the `test_cell` pin definition.

If an output pin is used in nontest mode, it needs a `function` statement. The `signal_type` statement is used to identify an output pin as a scan-out pin. In a `test_cell` group, the `pin` group for an output pin can contain a `function` statement, a `signal_type` attribute, or both.

Note:

You do not have to define a `function` or `signal_type` attribute in the `pin` group if the pin is defined in a previous `test_cell` group for the same cell.

Example

```
signal_type : test_scan_in ;
```

slew_control Simple Attribute

The `slew_control` attribute provides increasing levels of slew-rate control to slow down the transition rate. This attribute associates a coarse measurement of slew-rate control with the output pad cell.

Syntax

slew_control : low | medium | high | none ;

low, medium, high

Provides increasingly higher levels of slew-rate control.

none

Indicates that no slew-rate control is applied. If you do not use `slew_control`, `none` is the default.

This attribute limits peak noise by smoothing out fast output transitions, thus decreasing the possibility of a momentary disruption in the power or ground planes.

slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the lower threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin transitioning from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the lower threshold point used to model the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. The default value is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 30.0 ;
```

slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the lower threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin transitioning from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the lower threshold point used to model the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. The default value is 20.0.

Example

```
slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 30.0 ;
```

slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall` attribute to set the value of the upper threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin falling from 1 to 0. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point used to model the delay of a pin transitioning from 1 to 0. The default value is 80.0.

Example

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 70.0 ;
```

slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise Simple Attribute

Use the `slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise` attribute to set the value of the upper threshold point used in modeling the delay of a pin rising from 0 to 1. You can specify this attribute at the library level to set a default for all the pins.

Syntax

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : trip_pointvalue ;
```

trip_point

A floating-point number between 0.0 and 100.0 that specifies the upper threshold point used to model the delay of a pin transitioning from 0 to 1. The default value is 80.0.

Example

```
slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 70.0 ;
```

state_function Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to define output logic. Ports in the `state_function` Boolean

expression must be either input, three-state inout, or ports with an `internal_node` attribute. If the output logic is a function of only the inputs (IN), the output is purely combinational (for example, feed-through output). A port in the `state_function` expression refers only to the non-three-state functional behavior of that port. An inout port in the `state_function` expression is treated only as an input port.

Syntax

```
state_function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
state_function : "EN*X" ;
```

For a list of Boolean operators, see [Table 3-3](#).

`std_cell_main_rail` Simple Attribute

The `std_cell_main_rail` Boolean attribute is defined in a `primary_power` power pin. When the attribute is set to true, the power and ground pin is used to determine which side of the voltage boundary the power and ground pin is connected.

Syntax

```
std_cell_main_rail : true | false ;
```

Example

```
std_cell_main_rail : true ;
```

`switch_function` Simple Attribute

The `switch_function` string attribute identifies the condition when the attached design partition is turned off by the input `switch_pin`.

For a coarse-grain switch cell, the `switch_function` attribute can be defined at both controlled power and ground pins (virtual VDD and virtual VSS for `pg_pin`) and the output pins.

When the `switch_function` attribute is defined in the controlled power and ground pin, it is used to specify the Boolean condition under which the cell switches off (or drives an X to) the controlled design partitions, including the traditional signal input pins only (with no related power pins to this output).

Syntax

```
switch_function : function_string ;
```

Example

```
switch_function : "CTL";
```


switch_pin Simple Attribute

The `switch_pin` attribute is a pin-level Boolean attribute. When it is set to `true`, it is used to identify the pin as the switch pin of a coarse-grain switch cell.

Syntax

```
switch_pin : value Boolean ;
```

Example

```
switch_pin : true ;
```

test_output_only Simple Attribute

This attribute can be set for any output port described in statetable format.

For a flip-flop or latch, if a port is used for both function and test, provide the functional description using the `function` attribute. If a port is used for test only, omit the `function` attribute.

For a state table, a port always has a functional description. To specify that a port is for test only, set the `test_output_only` attribute to `true`.

Syntax

```
test_output_only : true | false ;
```

Example

```
pin (scout) {  
    direction : output ;  
    signal_type : test_scan_out ;  
    test_output_only : true ;  
}
```

three_state Simple Attribute

The `three_state` attribute defines a three-state output pin in a cell.

Syntax

```
three_state : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

An equation defining the condition that causes the pin to go to the high-impedance state. The syntax of this equation is the same as the syntax of the `function` attribute statement described in ["function Simple"](#)

[Attribute](#)". The `three_state` attribute can be used in both combinational and sequential `pin` groups, with bus or bundle variables.

Example

```
three_state : "!E" ;
```

For a list of Boolean operators, see [Table 3-3](#).

vhdl_name Simple Attribute

The `vhdl_name` attribute defines valid VHDL object names. In `cell` and `pin` groups, use `vhdl_name` to resolve conflicts of invalid object names when porting from library database to VHDL. Some library database object names might violate the more restrictive VHDL rules for identifiers.

Syntax

```
vhdl_name : "namestring" ;
```

name

A string that represents a valid VHDL object name.

Example

```
vhdl_name : "INb" ;
```

[Example 3-4](#) shows a `vhdl_name` attribute in a `cell` group.

Example 3-4 Use of the vhdl_name Attribute in a Cell Description

```
cell (INV) {
  area : 1;
  pin(IN) {
    vhdl_name : "INb";
    direction : input;
    capacitance : 1;
  }
  pin(Z) {
    direction : output;
    function : "IN'";
    timing () {
      intrinsic_rise : 0.23;
      intrinsic_fall : 0.28;
      rise_resistance : 0.13;
      fall_resistance : 0.07;
      related_pin : "IN";
    }
  }
}
```

```
    }  
  }  
}
```

x_function Simple Attribute

The `x_function` attribute describes the X behavior of an output or inout pin. X is a state other than 0, 1, or Z.

Syntax

```
x_function : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Example

```
x_function : "!an * ap" ;
```

3.1.3 Complex Attributes

This section describes the complex attributes you can use in a `pin` group.

fall_capacitance_range Complex Attribute

The `fall_capacitance_range` attribute specifies a range of values for pin capacitance during fall transitions.

Syntax

```
fall_capacitance_range (value_1float,  
value_2float) ;
```

value_1, *value_2*

Positive floating-point numbers that specify the range of values.

Example

```
fall_capacitance_range (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

power_gating_pin Complex Attribute

Note:

The `power_gating_pin` attribute has been replaced by the `retention_pin` attribute. See [“retention_pin Complex Attribute”](#).

The `power_gating_pin` attribute specifies a pair of pin values for a power-switch cell.

The first value represents the power gating pin class. The second value specifies which logic level (default) the power-switch cell is tied to when the power-switch cell is functioning in normal mode. For more information about specifying power-switch cells, see [“power_gating_cell Simple Attribute ”](#).

Syntax

```
power_gating_pin ("power_pin_[1-5]", enumerated_type) ;
```

value_1

A string that represents one of five predefined classes of power gating pins: `power_pin_[1-5]`.

value_2

An integer that specifies the default logic level for the pin when the power-switch cell functions as a normal cell.

Example

```
power_gating_pin ( "power_pin_1", 0) ;
```

retention_pin Complex Attribute

The `retention_pin` complex attribute identifies the retention pins of a retention cell. The attribute defines the following information:

- pin class
Valid values:
 - restore
Restores the state of the cell.
 - save
Saves the state of the cell.
 - save_restore
Saves and restores the state of the cell.
- disable value
Defines the value of the retention pin when the cell works in normal mode. The valid values are 0 and 1.

Syntax

```
retention_pin (pin_class, disable_value) ;
```

Example

```
retention_pin (save | restore | save_restore, enumerated_type)  
;
```

rise_capacitance_range Complex Attribute

The `rise_capacitance_range` attribute specifies a range of values for pin capacitance during rise transitions.

Syntax

```
rise_capacitance_range (value_1float,  
value_2float);
```

value_1, value_2

Positive floating-point numbers that specify the range of values.

Example

```
rise_capacitance_range (0.0, 0.0) ;
```

3.2 Group Statements

You can use the following group statements in a `pin` group:

```
ccsn_first_stage () {}  
ccsn_last_stage () {}  
dc_current () {}  
electromigration () { }  
hyperbolic_noise_above_high () { }  
hyperbolic_noise_below_low () { }  
hyperbolic_noise_high () { }  
hyperbolic_noise_low () { }  
input_signal_swing () {}  
internal_power () { }  
max_capacitance () { }  
max_transition () { }  
min_pulse_width () { }  
minimum_period () { }  
output_signal_swing () {}  
pin_capacitance() { }  
timing () { }  
tlatch () { }
```

3.2.1 ccsn_first_stage Group

Use the `ccsn_first_stage` group to specify CCS noise for the first stage of the channel-connected block (CCB).

A `ccsn_first_stage` or `ccsn_last_stage` group contains the following information:

- A set of channel-connected block parameters: the `is_needed`, `is_inverting`, `stage_type`, `miller_cap_rise`, `miller_cap_fall`, `attributes`
- The optional `when` and `mode` attributes for conditional data modeling
- The optional `output_signal_level` or `input_signal_level` attribute to model CCS noise stages of channel-connected blocks with internal power supplies
- A two-dimensional DC current table: `dc_current` group
- Two timing tables for rising and falling transitions: `output_current_rise` group, `output_current_fall` group
- Two noise tables for low and high propagated noise: `propagated_noise_low` group, `propagated_noise_high` group

Note that if the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups are defined inside pin-level groups, then the `ccsn_first_stage` group can only be defined in an input pin or an inout pin, and the `ccsn_last_stage` group can only be defined in an output pin or an inout pin.

Syntax

```

library (name) {
  ...
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {
      ...
      ccsn_first_stage ( ) {
        is_needed : boolean;
        is_inverting : boolean;
        stage_type : stage_type_value;
        miller_cap_rise : float;
        miller_cap_fall : float;
        dc_current (dc_current_template)
          index_1("float, ...");
          index_2("float, ...");
          values("float, ...");
      }

      output_voltage_rise ( )
        vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
          index_1(float);
          index_2(float);
          index_3("float, ...");
          values("float, ...");
        }
      ...
    }

    output_voltage_fall ( ) {
      vector (output_voltage_template_name) {
        index_1(float);
      }
    }
  }
}

```


output_voltage_fall
output_voltage_rise
propagated_noise_low
propagated_noise_rise

is_inverting Simple Attribute

Use the `is_inverting` attribute to specify whether the channel-connecting block is inverting. This attribute is mandatory if the `is_needed` attribute value is `true`. If the channel-connecting block is inverting, set the attribute to `true`. Otherwise, set the attribute to `false`. This attribute is different from the timing sense of a timing arc, which might consist of multiple channel-connecting blocks.

Syntax

```
is_inverting : value Boolean ;
```

value

Valid values are *true* and *false*. Set the value to *true* when the channel-connecting block is inverting.

Example

```
is_inverting : true ;
```

is_needed Simple Attribute

Use the `is_needed` attribute to specify whether composite current source (CCS) noise modeling data is required.

Syntax

```
is_needed : value Boolean ;
```

value

Valid values are *true* and *false*. The default is *true*. Set the value to *false* for cells such as diodes, antennas, and cloud cells that do not need current-based data.

Example

```
is_needed : true ;
```

is_pass_gate Simple Attribute

The `is_pass_gate` attribute is defined in a `ccsn_*_stage` group, such as the `ccsn_first_stage` group, to indicate that the `ccsn_*_stage` information is modeled as a pass gate. The attribute is optional and the default is `false`.

Syntax

`is_pass_gate` : *Boolean expression* ;

Boolean expression

Valid values are `true` and `false`.

`miller_cap_fall` Simple Attribute

Use the `miller_cap_fall` attribute to specify the Miller capacitance value for the channel-connecting block.

Syntax

`miller_cap_fall` : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number representing the Miller capacitance value.
The value must be greater or equal to zero.

Example

```
miller_cap_fall : 0.00084 ;
```

`miller_cap_rise` Simple Attribute

Use the `miller_cap_rise` attribute to specify the Miller capacitance value for the channel-connecting block.

Syntax

`miller_cap_rise` : *value*_{float} ;

value

A floating-point number representing the Miller capacitance value.
The value must be greater or equal to zero.

Example

```
miller_cap_rise : 0.00055 ;
```

`mode` Attribute

The pin-based `mode` attribute is provided in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups for conditional data modeling. If the `mode` attribute is specified, `mode_name` and `mode_value` must be predefined in the `mode_definition` group at the cell level.

`stage_type` Simple Attribute

Use the `stage_type` attribute to specify the stage type of the channel-connecting block

output voltage.

Syntax

```
stage_type : valueenum ;
```

value

The valid values are `pull_up`, in which the output voltage of the channel-connecting block is always pulled up (rising); `pull_down`, in which the output voltage of the channel-connecting block is always pulled down (falling); and `both`, in which the output voltage of the channel-connecting block is pulled up or down.

Example

```
stage_type : pull_up ;
```

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute is defined in both the pin-level and the timing-level `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups. Use this attribute to specify the condition under which the channel-connecting block data is applied.

Syntax

```
when : valueboolean ;
```

value

Result of a Boolean expression.

mode Complex Attribute

Use the `mode` attribute in the `ccsn_first_stage` and `ccsn_last_stage` groups to specify the noise parameters for a particular mode.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_definition_name, mode_value) ;
```

Example

```
mode (rw, read) ;
```

dc_current Group

Use the `dc_current` group to specify the input and output voltage values of a two-dimensional current table for a channel-connecting block.

Syntax

```

dc_current( dc_current_template_id ) { }
  index_1 ("float, ..., float");
  index_2 ("float, ..., float");
  values ("float, ..., float");

  dc_current_template

```

The name of the dc current lookup table.

Use `index_1` to represent the input voltage and `index_2` to represent the output voltage. The `values` attribute of the group lists the relative channel-connecting block DC current values in library units measured at the channel-connecting block output node.

output_voltage_fall Group

Use the `output_voltage_fall` group to specify vector groups that describe three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables of the channel-connecting block whose output node's voltage values are falling.

```

output_voltage_fall ( ) {

  vector ( output_voltage_template_name ) {
    index_1(float);
    index_2(float);
    index_3("float, ...");
    values("float, ...");
  }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1
index_2
index_3
values

```

Specify the following attributes in the `vector` group: The `index_1` attribute lists the `input_net_transition` (slew) values in library time units. The `index_2` attribute lists the `total_output_net_capacitance` (load) values in library capacitance units. The `index_3` attribute lists the sampling time values in library time units. The `values` attribute lists the voltage values, in library voltage units, that are measured at the channel-connecting block output node.

output_voltage_rise Group

Use the `output_voltage_rise` group to specify vector groups that describe three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables of the channel-connecting block whose output node's voltage values are rising.

For details, see the `output_voltage_fall` group description.

propagated_noise_high Group

The `propagated_noise_high` group uses vector groups to specify the three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables of the channel-connecting block whose output node's voltage values are rising.

```
propagated_noise_high ( ) {  
  
    vector (output_voltage_template_name) {  
        index_1(float);  
        index_2(float);  
        index_3(float);  
        index_4("float, ...");  
        values("float, ...");  
    }  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1  
index_2  
index_3  
index_4  
values
```

Specify the following attributes in the `vector` group: The `index_1` attribute lists the `input_noise_height` values in library voltage units. The `index_2` attribute lists the `input_noise_width` values in library time units. The `index_3` attribute lists the `total_output_net_capacitance` values in library capacitance units. The `index_4` attribute lists the sampling time values in library time units. The `values` attribute lists the voltage values, in library voltage units, that are measured at the channel-connecting block output node.

`propagated_noise_low` Group

Use the `propagated_noise_low` group to specify the three-dimensional `output_voltage` tables of the channel-connecting block whose output node's voltage values are falling.

For details, see the [“propagated_noise_high Group”](#).

3.2.2 `ccsn_last_stage` Group

Use the `ccsn_last_stage` group to specify composite current source (CCS) noise for the last stage of the channel-connecting block.

For details, see [“ccsn_first_stage Group”](#).

3.2.3 `char_config` Group

Use the `char_config` group in the `pin` group to specify the characterization settings of the library-cell pins.

Syntax

```

pin(pin_name) {
  char_config() {
    /* characterization configuration attributes */
  }
  ... ..
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

three_state_disable_measurement_method
three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs
three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel
three_state_disable_monitor_node
three_state_cap_add_to_load_index
ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall

```

Complex Attributes

```

driver_waveform
driver_waveform_rise
driver_waveform_fall
input_stimulus_transition
input_stimulus_interval
unrelated_output_net_capacitance
default_value_selection_method
default_value_selection_method_rise
default_value_selection_method_fall
merge_tolerance_abs
merge_tolerance_rel
merge_selection

```

Example

```

pin(pin1) {
  char_config() {
    driver_waveform_rise(delay,
input_driver_rise);
  }
  ...
} /* pin */

```

For more information about the `char_config` group and the group attributes, see [“char_config Group”](#).

3.2.4 electromigration Group

An electromigration group is defined in a `pin` group, as shown here:

```
library (name) {
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {
      electromigration () {
        ... electromigration description ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
related_pin : "name | name_list" ;/* path dependency */
related_bus_pins : "list of pins" ;/* list of pin names */
when : Boolean expression ;
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ; /* optional */
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ; /* optional */
values ("float, ..., float") ;
```

Group Statement

```
em_max_toggle_rate (em_template_name) {}
```

related_pin Simple Attribute

The `related_pin` attribute associates the electromigration group with a specific input pin. The input pin's input transition time is used as a variable in the electromigration lookup table.

If more than one input pin is specified in this attribute, the weighted input transition time of all input pins specified is used to index the electromigration table.

The pin or pins in the `related_pin` attribute denote the path dependency for the electromigration group. A particular electromigration group is accessed if the input pin or pins named in the `related_pin` attribute cause the corresponding output pin named in the `pin` group to toggle. All functionally related pins must be specified in a `related_pin` attribute if you specify two-dimensional tables.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name | name_list"
```

```
name | name_list
```

Name of input pin or pins.

Example

```
related_pin : "A B" ;
```

related_bus_pins Simple Attribute

The `related_bus_pins` attribute associates the `electromigration` group with the input pin or pins of a specific `bus` group. The input pin's input transition time is used as a variable in the `electromigration` lookup table.

If more than one input pin is specified in this attribute, the weighted input transition time of all input pins specified is used to index the `electromigration` table.

Syntax

```
related_bus_pins : "name1 [name2 name3 ...  
]";
```

Example

```
related_bus_pins : "A" ;
```

The pin or pins in the `related_bus_pins` attribute denote the path dependency for the `electromigration` group. A particular `electromigration` group is accessed if the input pin or pins named in the `related_bus_pins` attribute cause the corresponding output pin named in the `pin` group to toggle. All functionally related pins must be specified in a `related_bus_pins` attribute if two-dimensional tables are being used.

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute defines the enabling condition for the check in logic expression format.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

For a list of Boolean operators, see [Table 3-4](#).

Example

```
when : "SE" ;
```

index_1 and index_2 Complex Attributes

You can use the `index_1` optional attribute to specify the breakpoints of the first dimension of an electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library. You can use the `index_2` optional attribute to specify breakpoints of the second dimension of an electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

You can overwrite the values entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_1` by entering a value for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_1`. You can overwrite the value entered for the `em_lut_template` group's `index_2` by entering a value for the `em_max_toggle_rate` group's `index_2`.

Syntax

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ; /* optional */  
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ; /* optional */
```

float

For `index_1`, the floating-point numbers that specify the breakpoints of the first dimension of the electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library. For `index_2`, the floating-point numbers that specify the breakpoints for the second dimension of the electromigration table used to characterize cells for electromigration within the library.

Example

```
index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;  
index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
```

values Complex Attribute

You use this complex attribute to specify the nets' maximum toggle rates.

Syntax

```
values : ("float,  
..., float") ;
```

float

Floating-point numbers that specify the net's maximum toggle rates. The number can be a list of `nindex_1` positive floating-point numbers if the table is one-dimensional and can be `nindex_1 X nindex_2` positive floating-point numbers if the table is two-dimensional, where `nindex_1` is the size of `index_1` and `nindex_2` is the size of `index_2`, specified for these two indexes in the `em_max_toggle_rate` group or in the `em_lut_template` group.

Example (One-Dimensional Table)


```
values : ("1.5, 1.0, 0.5") ;
```

Example (Two-Dimensional Table)

```
values : ("2.0, 1.0, 0.5", "1.5, 0.75, 0.33", "1.0, 0.5, 0.15")  
;
```

em_max_toggle_rate Group

The `em_max_toggle_rate` group is a pin-level group that is defined within the electromigration group.

```
library (name) {  
  cell (name) {  
    pin (name) {  
      electromigration () {  
        em_max_toggle_rate(em_template_name) {  
          ... em_max_toggle_rate description...  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

3.2.5 hyperbolic_noise_above_high Group

This optional group describes a noise immunity region as a hyperbolic curve when the input is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

You specify a `hyperbolic_noise_above_high` group in a `pin` group, as shown here:

```
library (name) {  
  cell (name) {  
    pin (name) {  
      direction : input | inout ;  
      hyperbolic_noise_above_high () {  
        ... hyperbola form description ...  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
area_coefficient  
height_coefficient  
width_coefficient
```

area_coefficient Simple Attribute

The `area_coefficient` attribute specifies the area coefficient used to describe a noise immunity curve in hyperbola form.

Syntax

`area_coefficient: valuefloat ;`

value

A positive floating-point number. The unit is calculated as the library unit of voltage times the library unit of time.

Example

`area_coefficient : 1.1 ;`

height_coefficient Simple Attribute

The `height_coefficient` attribute specifies the height coefficient used to describe a noise immunity curve in hyperbola form.

Syntax

`height_coefficient: valuefloat ;`

value

A positive floating-point number. The unit is the library unit of voltage.

Example

`height_coefficient : 0.4 ;`

width_coefficient Simple Attribute

The `width_coefficient` attribute specifies the width coefficient used to describe a noise immunity curve in hyperbola form.

Syntax

`width_coefficient: valuefloat ;`

value

A positive floating-point number. The unit is the library unit of time.

Example

```
width_coefficient : 0.01 ;
```

Example

```
hyperbolic_noise_above_high () {  
    area_coefficient : 1.1 ;  
    height_coefficient : 0.4 ;  
    width_coefficient : 0.01 ;  
}
```

3.2.6 *hyperbolic_noise_below_low* Group

This optional group describes a noise immunity region as a hyperbolic curve when the input is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

For information about the group syntax and attributes, see [“hyperbolic_noise_above_high Group”](#).

3.2.7 *hyperbolic_noise_high* Group

This optional group describes a noise immunity region as a hyperbolic curve when the input is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

For information about the group syntax and attributes, see [“hyperbolic_noise_above_high Group”](#).

3.2.8 *hyperbolic_noise_low* Group

This optional group describes a noise immunity region as a hyperbolic curve when the input is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

For information about the group syntax and attributes, see [“hyperbolic_noise_above_high Group”](#).

3.2.9 *internal_power* Group

An `internal_power` group is defined in a `pin` group, as shown here:

```
library (name) {  
    cell (name) {  
        pin (name) {  
            internal_power () {  
                ... internal power description ...  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Note:

Either braces { } or quotation marks " " are valid syntax for values specified in internal power tables.

Simple Attributes

```
equal_or_opposite_output  
falling_together_group  
power_level  
related_pin  
related_pg_pin  
rising_together_group  
switching_interval  
switching_together_group  
when
```

Complex Attribute

```
mode
```

Group Statements

```
domain  
fall_power (template name) {}  
power (template name) {}  
rise_power (template name) {}
```

Syntax for One-Dimensional, Two-Dimensional, and Three-Dimensional Tables

You can define a one-, two-, or three-dimensional table in the `internal_power` group in either of the following ways:

- Using the `power` group
- Using a combination of the `related_pin` attribute, the `fall_power` group, and the `rise_power` group
- Using a combination of the `related_pin` attribute, the `power` group, and the `equal_or_opposite` attribute.

Note:

Either braces { } or quotation marks " " are valid syntax for values specified in internal power tables.

This is the syntax for a one-dimensional table using the `power` group:

```
internal_power() {  
    power (template name) {  
        values ("float, ..., float");  
    }  
}
```

This is the syntax for a one-dimensional table using `fall_power`, and `rise_power`:

```
internal_power() {
  fall_power (template name)
  {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
  rise_power (template name)
  {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
}
```

This is the syntax for a two-dimensional table using the `power` group:

```
internal_power() {
  power (template name) {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
}
```

This is the syntax for a two-dimensional table using the `related_pin` attribute and the `fall_power` and `rise_power` groups:

```
internal_power() {
  related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
  fall_power (template name)
  {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
  rise_power (template name)
  {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
}
```

This is the syntax for a three-dimensional table using the `power` group:

```
internal_power() {
  power (template name) {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
}
```

This is the syntax for a three-dimensional table using the `related_pin` attribute, `power` group, and the `equal_or_opposite` attribute:

```
internal_power() {
  related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
  power (template name) {
    values ("float, ..., float");
  }
  equal_or_opposite_output : "name | name_list" ;
}
```

[equal_or_opposite_output Simple Attribute](#)

The `equal_or_opposite_output` attribute designates optional output pin or pins whose capacitance is used to access a three-dimensional table in the `internal_power` group.

Syntax

```
equal_or_opposite_output : "name | name_list" ;
```

name | *name_list*

The name of the output pin or pins.

Note:

This pin (or pins) has to be functionally equal to or opposite of the pin named in this `pin` group.

Example

```
equal_or_opposite_output : "Q" ;
```

Note:

The output capacitance of this pin (or pins) is used as the total `output2_net_capacitance` variable in the internal power lookup table.

`falling_together_group` Simple Attribute

The `falling_together_group` attribute identifies the list of two or more input or output pins that share logic and are falling together during the same time period. This time period is set with the `switching_interval` attribute; see "[switching_interval Simple Attribute](#)" for details.

Together, the `falling_together_group` and `switching_interval` attribute settings determine the level of power consumption.

Syntax

```
falling_together_group : "list of pins" ;
```

list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic and are falling during the same time period.

Example

```
cell (foo) {  
    pin (A) {
```

```

        internal_power () {
            falling_together_group : "B C D" ;
            rising_together_group : "E F G" ;
            switching_interval : 10.0 ;
            rise_power () {
                ...
            }
            fall_power () {
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```

power_level Simple Attribute

This optional attribute is used for multiple power supply modeling. In the `internal_power` group at the pin level, you can specify the power level used to characterize the lookup table.

Syntax

```
power_level : "name" ;
```

name

Name of the power rail defined in the power supply group.

Example

```
power_level : "VDD1" ;
```

related_pin Simple Attribute

This attribute is used only in three-dimensional tables. It associates the `internal_power` group with a specific input or output pin. If `related_pin` is an output pin, it must be functionally equal to or opposite of the pin in that `pin` group.

If `related_pin` is an input pin, the pin's input transition time is used as a variable in the internal power lookup table.

If `related_pin` is an output pin, the pin's capacitance is used as a variable in the internal power lookup table.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name | name_list" ;
```

name | *name_list*

The name of the input or output pin or pins.

Example

```
related_pin : "A B" ;
```

The pin or pins in the `related_pin` attribute denote the path dependency for the `internal_power` group. A particular `internal_power` group is accessed if the input pin or pins named in the `related_pin` attribute cause the corresponding output pin named in the `pin` group to toggle. All functionally related pins must be specified in a `related_pin` attribute if two-dimensional tables are being used.

related_pg_pin Simple Attribute

Use this optional attribute to associate a power and ground pin with leakage power and internal power tables. The leakage power and internal energy tables can be omitted when the voltage of a `primary_power` or `backup_ground` `pg_pin` is at reference voltage zero, since the value of the corresponding leakage power and internal energy tables are always zero.

In the absence of a `related_pg_pin` attribute, the `internal_power` or `leakage_power` specifications apply to the whole cell (cell-specific power specification). Cell-specific and `pg_pin`-specific power specifications cannot be mixed; that is, when one `internal_power` group has the `related_pg_pin` attribute, all the `internal_power` groups must have the `related_pg_pin` attribute.

Syntax

```
related_pg_pin : pg_pin;
```

where *pg_pin* is the name of the related PG pin.

Example

```
related_pg_pin : G2 ;
```

rising_together_group Simple Attribute

The `rising_together_group` attribute identifies the list of two or more input or output pins that share logic and are rising during the same time period. This time period is defined with the `switching_interval` attribute; see [“switching_interval Simple Attribute”](#) for details.

Together, the `rising_together_group` attribute and `switching_interval` attribute settings determine the level of power consumption.

Syntax

```
rising_together_group : "list  
of pins" ;
```


list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic and are rising during the same time period.

Example

```
cell (foo) {
  pin (A) {
    internal_power () {
      falling_together_group : "B C D" ;
      rising_together_group : "E F G" ;
      switching_interval : 10.0 ;
      rise_power () {
        ...
      }
      fall_power () {
        ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

switching_interval Simple Attribute

The `switching_interval` attribute defines the time interval during which two or more pins that share logic are falling, rising, or switching (either falling or rising) during the same time period.

This attribute is set together with the `falling_together_group`, `rising_together_group`, or `switching_together_group` attribute. Together with one of these attributes, the `switching_interval` attribute defines a level of power consumption.

For details about the attributes that are set together with the `switching_interval` attribute, see [“falling_together_group Simple Attribute”](#), [“rising_together_group Simple Attribute”](#), and [“switching_together_group Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
switching_interval : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents the time interval during which two or more pins that share logic are transitioning together.

Example

```
pin (Z) {
  direction : output;
```

```

internal_power () {
    switching_together_group : "A B";
    /*if pins A, B, and Z switch*/ ;
    switching_interval : 5.0;

    /* switching within 5 time units */;
    power () {
        ...
    }
}
}

```

switching_together_group Simple Attribute

The `switching_together_group` attribute identifies a list of two or more input or output pins that share logic, are either falling or rising during the same time period, and are not affecting the power consumption.

The time period is defined with the `switching_interval` attribute. See [“switching_interval Simple Attribute”](#) for details.

Syntax

```
switching_together_group : "list of pins" ;
```

list of pins

The names of the input or output pins that share logic, are either falling or rising during the same time period, and are not affecting power consumption.

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute specifies the state-dependent condition that determines whether this power table is accessed.

You can use the `when` attribute to define one-, two-, or three-dimensional tables in the `internal_power` group. You can also use the `when` attribute in the `power`, `fall_power`, and `rise_power` groups.

Note:

If you want to use the same Boolean expression for multiple `when` statements in an `internal_power` group, you must specify a different power rail for each `internal_power` group.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

The name or names of the input and output pins with corresponding Boolean operators.

[Table 3-4](#) lists the Boolean operators valid in a `when` statement.

Table 3-4 Valid Boolean Operators

Operator	Description
'	invert previous expression
!	invert following expression
^	logical XOR
*	logical AND
&	logical AND
space	logical AND
+	logical OR
	logical OR
1	signal tied to logic 1
0	signal tied to logic 0

The order of precedence of the operators is left to right, with inversion performed first, then XOR, then AND, then OR.

Example

```
when : "A B" ;
```

mode Complex Attribute

The `mode` attribute specifies the current mode of operation of the cell. Use this attribute in the `internal_power` group to define the internal power in the specified mode.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value) ;
```

Example

```
mode (rw, read) ;
```

fall_power Group

The `fall_power` group defines the power associated with a fall transition on a pin. You specify a `fall_power` group in an `internal_power` group in a `pin` group, as shown here.

```
cell (name_string)
{
  pin (name_string)
  {
    internal_power () {
      fall_power (template name)
      {
        ... fall power description ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ; /* lookup table */
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ; /* lookup table */
index_3 ("float, ..., float" ; /* lookup table */
values ("float, ..., float") ; /* lookup table */
orders("integer, ..., integer") ; /* polynomial */
coefs("float, ..., float") ; /* polynomial */
```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the amount of energy per fall transition the cell consumes internally.

You convert the `values` attribute to power consumption by multiplying the unit by the factor `transition` or `per-unit time`, as follows:

- `nindex_1` floating-point numbers if the table is one-dimensional
- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers if the table is two-dimensional
- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` floating-point numbers if the table is three-dimensional

`nindex_1`, `nindex_2`, and `nindex_3` are the size of `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` in this group or in the `power_lut_template` group it inherits. Quotation marks (" ") enclose a group. Each group represents a row in the table.

This power is accessed when the pin has a fall transition. If you have a `fall_power` group, you must have a `rise_power` group.

[Example 3-5](#) shows cells that contain internal power information in the `pin` group.

Group Statement

```
domain (name) {}
```

name

References a domain group defined in the `power_poly_template` group or the `power_lut_template` group.

power Group

Use the power group to define power when the rise power equals the fall power for a particular pin. You specify a `power` group within an `internal_power` group in a `pin` group at the cell level, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (name)
{
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {
      internal_power () {
        power (template name) {
          ... power template description ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_3 ("float, ..., float") ;
values ("float, ..., float") ;
orders ("integer, ..., integer") ; /* polynomial
*/
coefs ("float, ..., float") ; /* polynomial */
```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the amount of energy per transition, either rise or fall, the cell consumes internally.

You convert the `values` attribute to power consumption by multiplying the unit by the factor `transition` or `per-unit time`, as follows:

- `nindex_1` floating-point numbers if the table is one-dimensional

- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers if the table is two-dimensional
- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` floating-point numbers if the table is three-dimensional

`nindex_1`, `nindex_2`, and `nindex_3` are the size of `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` in this group or in the `power_lut_template` group it inherits. Quotation marks (" ") enclose a group. Each group represents a row in the table.

This power is accessed when the pin has a rise transition or fall transition. The values in the table specify the average power per transition.

[Example 3-5](#) shows cells that contain power information in the `internal_power` group in a `pin` group.

Group

```
domain (name) {}
```

name

References a domain group defined in the `power_poly_template` group or the `power_lut_template` group.

rise_power Group

The `rise_power` group defines the power associated with a rise transition on a pin. You specify a `rise_power` group in an `internal_power` group in a `pin` group, as shown here:

Syntax

```
cell (name) {
  pin (name) {
    internal_power () {
      rise_power (template name)
    {
      ... rise power description ...
    }
  }
}
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float") ;
orders ("integer, ..., integer") ; /* polynomial
```

```
*/
coefs ("float, ..., float") ; /* polynomial */
```

float

Floating-point numbers that identify the amount of energy per rise transition the cell consumes internally.

You convert the `values` attribute to power consumption by multiplying the unit by the factor transition or per-unit time, as follows:

- `nindex_1` floating-point numbers if the table is one-dimensional
- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers if the table is two-dimensional
- `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` floating-point numbers if the table is three-dimensional

`nindex_1`, `nindex_2`, and `nindex_3` are the size of `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` in this group or in the `power_lut_template` group it inherits. Quotation marks (" ") enclose a group. Each group represents a row in the table.

This power is accessed when the pin has a rise transition.

[Example 3-5](#) shows cells that contain internal power information in the `pin` group.

Group

```
domain (name) {}
```

name

References a domain group defined in either the `power_poly_template` group or the `power_lut_template` group.

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```
library(internal_power_example) {
...
  power_lut_template(output_by_cap1_cap2_and_trans)
  {
    variable_1 : total_output1_net_capacitance
  ;
    variable_2 : equal_or_opposite_output_net_capacitance
  ;
    variable_3 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
  }
}
```

```

    index_2 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
    index_3 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
}

power_lut_template(output_by_cap_and_trans) {
    variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance
;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 5.0, 20.0") ;
    index_2 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
}
...
power_lut_template(input_by_trans) {
    variable_1 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1 ("0.0, 1.0, 2.0") ;
}

cell(AN2) {
    pin(Z) {
        direction : output;
        internal_power() {
            power (output_by_cap_and_trans) {
                values ("2.2, 3.7, 4.3", "1.7, 2.1, 3.5", "1.0, 1.5,
2.8");
            }
            related_pin : "A B" ;
        }
    }
    ...
    pin(A) {
        direction : input ;
        ...
    }
    pin(B) {
        direction : input ;
        ...
    }
}
cell(FLOP1) {
    pin(CP) {
        direction : input ;
        internal_power() {
            power (input_by_trans) {
                values ("1.5, 2.5, 4.7") ;
            }
        }
    }
    pin(D) {
        direction : input ;

```



```

    ...
}
pin(S) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin(R) {
    direction : input ;
    ...
}
pin(Q) {
    direction : output ;
    internal_power() {
        power (output_by_cap1_cap2_and_trans)
{
    values ("2.2, 3.7, 4.3", "1.7, 2.1, 3.5", "1.0, 1.5,
2.8",\
                "2.1, 3.6, 4.2", "1.6, 2.0, 3.4", "0.9, 1.5,
2.7",\
                "2.0, 3.5, 4.1", "1.5, 1.9, 3.3", "0.8, 1.4,
2.6");
        }
        when : "S' + R'" ;
        equal_or_opposite_output : "QN"
;
        related_pin : "CP" ;
    }
}
internal_power() {
    power (output_by_cap_and_trans) {
        values ("1.8, 3.4, 4.0", "1.5, 1.9, 3.3", "0.8, 1.3,
2.5");
    }
    related_pin : "S R" ;
}
...
}
pin(QN) {
    direction : output ;
    internal_power() {
        rise_power (output_by_cap_and_trans)
{
    values ("0.5, 0.9, 1.3", "0.3, 0.7, 1.1", "0.2, 0.5,
0.9");
        }
        fall_power (output_by_cap_and_trans)
{
    values ("0.1, 0.7, 0.9", "-
0.1, 0.2, 0.4", "-0.2, 0.2, 0.3");
        }
    }
}

```

```

        related_pin : "S R" ;
    }
    ...
}
...
}
}

```

3.2.10 max_cap Group

The `max_cap` group defines the frequency-based maximum capacitance information for the output and inout pins.

Syntax

```

library (name)
{
  cell (name) {
    pin (name) {
      max_cap (template name)
    {
      ... capacitance description ...
    }
  }
}
}

```

template_name

A value representing the name of a `maxcap_lut_template` group. You need to specify or remove an attribute from the group according to the template. The supported attributes for the template are `frequency` and `input_transition_time`. Because `input_transition_time` is the second index attribute, a `related_pin` attribute is required to inform the transition of the corresponding input pin. The template can be one-dimensional or two-dimensional. A one-dimensional template does not allow the `related_pin` attribute. A two-dimensional template requires the `related_pin` attribute.

Example

```

max_cap ( ) {
  maxcap_lut_template(maxcap_table) {
    variable_1 : frequency ;
    variable_2 : input_transition_time ;
    index_1("0.01, 0.1, 1.0");
    index_2("0, 0.5, 1.5, 2.0");
  }
  ...
  pin(Y) {

```

```

direction : output ;
max_fanout : 7 ;
function : "(A+B)";
max_cap(maxcap_table) {
    values("1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4", \
          "1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5", \
          "1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6") ;
    related_pin : A ;
}

```

...

3.2.11 max_trans Group

Use the `max_trans` group to describe the maximum transition information for output and inout pins.

Syntax

```

library (name)
{
    cell (name) {
        pin (name) {
            max_trans ( template_name_id )
        }
    }
}

```

template_name

A value representing the name of a `maxtrans_lut_template` group.

Complex Attributes

```

variable_1_range
variable_2_range
variable_n_range
orders
coefs

```

Example

```

max_trans ( ) {
    ...
}

```

3.2.12 min_pulse_width Group

In a pin, bus, or bundle group, the min_pulse_width group models the enabling conditional minimum pulse width check. In the case of a pin, the timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin must be the same.

Syntax

```
pin() {
  ...
  min_pulse_width() {
    constraint_high : value ;
    constraint_low  : value ;
    when : "Boolean expression"
  ;
    /* enabling condition          */
    sdf_cond : "Boolean expression"
  ;
    /* in SDF syntax */
  }
}
```

Example

```
pin(A) {
  . . .
  min_pulse_width() {
    constraint_high : 3.0 ;
    constraint_low  : 3.5 ;
    when : "SE" ;
    sdf_cond : "SE == 1'B1" ;
  }
}
```

For an example that shows how to specify a lookup table with the timing_type attribute and min_pulse_width and minimum_period values, see [Example 3-8](#).

Simple Attributes

```
constraint_high
constraint_low
when
sdf_cond
```

constraint_high Simple Attribute

The constraint_high attribute defines the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 1. You define a value for either constraint_high, constraint_low, or both in the min_pulse_width group.

Syntax

```
constraint_high : valuefloat ;
```

value

A nonnegative number.

Example

```
constraint_high : 3.0 ; /* min_pulse_width_high */
```

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute defines the enabling condition for the check in logic expression format.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

For a list of Boolean operators, see [Table 3-4](#).

Example

```
when : "SE" ;
```

constraint_low Simple Attribute

The `constraint_low` attribute defines the minimum length of time the pin must remain at logic 0. You define a value for either `constraint_low`, `constraint_high`, or both in the `min_pulse_width` group.

Syntax

```
constraint_low : valuefloat ;
```

value

A nonnegative number.

Example

```
constraint_low : 3.5 ; /* min_pulse_width_low */
```

sdf_cond Simple Attribute

The `sdf_cond` attribute defines the enabling condition for the check in Open Verilog International (OVI) Standard Delay Format (SDF) 2.1 syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

An SDF condition expression.

Example

```
sdf_cond : "SE == 1'B1" ;
```

3.2.13 *minimum_period* Group

In a `pin`, `bus`, or `bundle` group, the `minimum_period` group models the enabling conditional minimum period check. In the case of a `pin`, the check is performed on the `pin` itself, so the related `pin` must be the same.

If the `pin` group contains a `minimum_period` group and a `min_period` attribute, the `min_period` attribute is ignored.

Syntax

```
minimum_period() {  
  constraint : value ;  
  when : "Boolean expression"  
  ;  
  sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;  
}
```

For an example that shows how to specify a lookup table with the `timing_type` attribute and `min_pulse_width` and `minimum_period` values, see [Example 3-8](#).

Simple Attributes

```
constraint  
when  
sdf_cond
```

`constraint` Simple Attribute

This required attribute defines the minimum clock period for the `pin`.

Syntax

```
constraint : valuefloat ;
```

value

A nonnegative number.

Example

```
constraint : 9.5 ;
```

when Simple Attribute

This required attribute defines the enabling condition for the check in logic expression format.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

For a list of Boolean operators, see [Table 3-4](#).

Example

```
when : "SE" ;
```

sdf_cond Simple Attribute

This required attribute defines the enabling condition for the check in OVI SDF 2.1 syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

An SDF condition expression.

Example

```
sdf_cond : "SE == 1'b1" ;
```

3.2.14 pin_capacitance Group

In a pin group, the `pin_capacitance` group supports polynomial equation modeling to represent capacitance, `rise_capacitance`, `fall_capacitance`, `rise_capacitance_range`, and `fall_capacitance_range`.

The existing single value `capacitance`, `rise_capacitance`, `fall_capacitance`, `rise_capacitance_range` and `fall_capacitance_range` attributes and the new `pin_capacitance` group can coexist on one pin. The syntax for the `pin_capacitance` group is the same used for the delay model, except that the variables used in the format are temperature and voltage (including power rails).

The `pin_capacitance` group supports only the scalable polynomial delay model.

Note:

The `capacitance` group is required in the `pin_capacitance` group.

Group Statements

```
capacitance
rise_capacitance
fall_capacitance
fall_capacitance_range
rise_capacitance _range
```

Syntax

```
pin_capacitance() {
  ...pin_capacitance description ...
}
```

capacitance Group

Use the `capacitance` group to define the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin. This group is required in the `pin_capacitance` group.

Syntax

```
capacitance() {
  ...capacitance description ...
}
```

Example

```
capacitance(cap) {
  orders ("1 , 1");
  coefs ("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
```

fall_capacitance Group

Use the `fall_capacitance` group to define the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin when its signal is falling. You must set a value for both the `rise_capacitance` and `fall_capacitance` groups.

The value you set for a `fall_capacitance` group overrides the value you set for a `fall_capacitance` simple attribute.

Syntax

```
fall_capacitance() {
  ...capacitance description ...
}
```


Example

```
fall_capacitance(fall_cap) {
    orders ("1 , 1");
    coefs ("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
```

rise_capacitance Group

Use the `rise_capacitance` group to define the load of an input, output, inout, or internal pin when its signal is rising. For more information, see [“fall_capacitance Group”](#).

fall_capacitance_range Group

This group describes the range for temperature and voltage (including voltage rails) during fall transitions. Only one `fall_capacitance_range` or `rise_capacitance_range` group is allowed inside the `pin_capacitance` group. The rise and fall capacitance range groups are optional.

Syntax

```
fall_capacitance_range() {
    ... values description ...
}
```

Groups

lower upper

lower Group

For `pin_capacitance`, use this group to specify a range of minimum and maximum float values or polynomials as a function of temperature and voltage (including power rails).

You must define both the `lower` and `upper` groups in a `rise_capacitance_range` or `fall_capacitance_range` group.

Syntax

```
lower (poly_template_name id)
{
    ... values description ...
}
```

Example

```
lower(cap) {
    ...
    orders ("1 , 1");
}
```

```
    coefs ("1, 2, 3, 4");
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
variable_1_range
variable_2_range
variable_n_range
orders
coefs
```

variable_n_range Complex Attribute

Use the `variable_n_range` attribute to specify the range of the value for the *n*th variable in the `variables` attribute.

Syntax

```
variable_n_range(min_1float, max_2float);
```

min, max

Floating-point number pairs that specify the value range.

Example

```
fall_capacitance_range () {
  lower(cap) {
    ...
    orders ("1 , 1");
    coefs ("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
  upper(cap) {
    ...
    orders ("1 , 1");
    coefs ("1, 2, 3, 4");
  }
}
```

coefs Complex Attribute

Use the `coefs` attribute to specify a list of the coefficients you use in a polynomial. For more information, see [“coefs Complex Attribute”](#).

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order for the variables for the polynomial. For more information, see [“orders Complex Attribute”](#).

upper Group

For `pin_capacitance`, use this group to specify a range of minimum and maximum float values or polynomials as a function of temperature and voltage (including power rails). For more information, see [“lower Group”](#).

rise_capacitance_range Group

This group describes the range of pin capacitance as a function of temperature and voltage (including voltage rails) during rise transitions for the signal. For more information, see [“fall_capacitance_range Group”](#).

Example

[Example 3-6](#) shows an example library with extended `rise_capacitance_range` and `fall_capacitance_range` syntax.

Example 3-6 Example Library With `pin_capacitance` Group Values

```
library(new_lib) {
    . . .
    poly_template (PPT) {
        variables ("temperature", "voltage");
        variable_1_range (-40.0, 100.0);
        variable_2_range (0.5, 3.5);
        domain (D1) {
            calc_mode : best ;
        }
        domain (D2) {
            calc_mode : worst ;
        }
    }
    . . .
    cell(AN2){
        pin(Y) {
            . . .
            pin_capacitance() {
                /* default poly capacitance */
                capacitance(PPT) {
                    orders ("1, 1");
                    coefs ("0.11, 0.12, 0.13,
0.14");
                    domain (D1) {
                        orders ("1, 1");
                        coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23,
0.24");
                    }
                    domain (D2) {
```

```

        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.31, 0.32, 0.33, 0.34");
    }
}
rise_capacitance(PPT) {
    orders ("1, 1");
    coefs ("0.11, 0.12, 0.13,
0.14");

    domain (D1) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23, 0.24");
    }

    domain (D2) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.31, 0.32, 0.33, 0.34");
    }
}
fall_capacitance(PPT) {
    orders ("1, 1");
    coefs ("0.11, 0.12, 0.13,
0.14");

    domain (D1) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23, 0.24");
    }

    domain (D2) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.31, 0.32, 0.33, 0.34");
    }
}
rise_capacitance_range() {
    lower(PPT) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03,
0.04");

        domain (D1) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14");
        }

        domain (D2) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23, 0.24");
        }
    }
}

```

```

    }
    upper(PPT) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23,
0.24");

        domain (D1) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.31, 0.32, 0.33, 0.34");
        }

        domain (D2) {

            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.41, 0.42, 0.43, 0.44");

        }

    }
}
fall_capacitance_range() {
    lower(PPT) {
        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.01, 0.02, 0.03,
0.04");

        domain (D1) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.11, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14");
        }

        domain (D2) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23, 0.24");
        }

    }
}
upper(PPT) {
        orders ("1, 1");

        coefs ("0.21, 0.22, 0.23,
0.24");

        domain (D1) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.31, 0.32, 0.33, 0.34");
        }

        domain (D2) {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.41, 0.42, 0.43, 0.44");
        }

    }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}

```

3.2.15 receiver_capacitance Group

Use the `receiver_capacitance` group to specify capacitance values for composite current source (CCS) receiver modeling at the pin level.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      receiver_capacitance () {
        ... description ...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Groups

```

receiver_capacitance1_fall
receiver_capacitance1_rise
receiver_capacitance2_fall
receiver_capacitance2_rise

```

receiver_capacitance1_fall Group

You can define the `receiver_capacitance1_fall` group at the pin level and the timing level. Define the `receiver_capacitance1_fall` group at the pin level to reference a composite current source (CCS) template. For information about using the group at the timing level, see [“receiver_capacitance1_fall Group”](#).

Syntax

```

receiver_capacitance1_fall (lu_template_name_id)
{

```

lu_template_name

The name of a template.

Complex Attribute

values

Example

```
receiver_capacitance () {
    receiver_capacitance1_rise (LTT1) {
        values (0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0) ;
    }
    receiver_capacitance1_fall (LTT1) {
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

receiver_capacitance1_rise Group

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance1_rise` group, see the description of the `.`

receiver_capacitance2_fall Group

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance2_fall` group, see the description of `.`

receiver_capacitance2_rise Group

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance2_rise` group, see the description of the `.`

when Attribute

The `when` string attribute is provided in the pin-based `receiver_capacitance` group to support conditional data modeling.

mode Attribute

The complex `mode` attribute is provided in the pin-based `receiver_capacitance` group to support conditional data modeling. If the `mode` attribute is specified, `mode_name` and `mode_value` must be predefined in the `mode_definition` group at the cell level.

3.2.16 *timing Group in a pin Group*

A `timing` group is defined within a `pin` group, as shown here. Note that the syntax presents the attributes in alphabetical order by type of attribute.

Entering the names in the `timing` group attribute to identify timing arcs is optional.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing (name_string){
        ... timing description ...
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
clock_gating_flag : true|false ;
default_timing : true|false ;
fall_resistance : float ;
fpga_arc_condition : "Boolean expression" ;
fpga_domain_style : name ;
interdependence_id : integer ;
intrinsic_fall : float ;
intrinsic_rise : float ;
related_bus_equivalent : " name1 [name2 name3 ... ] " ;
related_bus_pins : " name1 [name2 name3 ... ] " ;
related_output_pin : name ;
related_pin : " name1 [name2 name3 ... ] " ;
rise_resistance : float ;
sdf_cond : "SDF expression" ;
sdf_cond_end : "SDF expression" ;
sdf_cond_start : "SDF expression" ;
sdf_edges : SDF edge type ;
slope_fall : float ;
slope_rise : float ;
steady_state_resistance_above_high : float ;
steady_state_resistance_below_low : float ;
steady_state_resistance_high : float ;
steady_state_resistance_low : float ;
tied_off: Boolean ;
timing_sense : positive_unate| negative_unate| non_unate;
timing_type : combinational | combinational_rise |
  combinational_fall | three_state_disable |
  three_state_disable_rise | three_state_disable_fall |
  three_state_enable | three_state_enable_rise |
  three_state_enable_fall | rising_edge | falling_edge |
  preset | clear | hold_rising | hold_falling |
  setup_rising | setup_falling | recovery_rising |
```



```

recovery_falling | skew_rising | skew_falling |
removal_rising | removal_falling | min_pulse_width |
minimum_period | max_clock_tree_path |
min_clock_tree_path | non_seq_setup_rising |
non_seq_setup_falling | non_seq_hold_rising |
non_seq_hold_falling | nochange_high_high |
nochange_high_low | nochange_low_high |
nochange_low_low ;
when : "Boolean expression" ;
when_end : "Boolean expression" ;
when_start : "Boolean expression" ;

```

Complex Attributes

```

fall_delay_intercept (integer, float) ; /* piecewise model only
*/
fall_pin_resistance (integer, float) ; /* piecewise model only
*/
mode
rise_delay_intercept (integer, float) ; /* piecewise model only
*/
rise_pin_resistance (integer, float) ; /* piecewise model only
*/

```

Group Statements

```

cell_degradation () { }
cell_fall () { }
cell_rise () { }
char_config () { }
fall_constraint () { }
fall_propagation () { }
fall_transition () { }
noise_immunity_above_high () { }
noise_immunity_below_low () { }
noise_immunity_high () { }
noise_immunity_low () { }
output_current_fall () { }
output_current_rise () { }
propagated_noise_height_above_high () { }
propagated_noise_height_below_low () { }
propagated_noise_height_high () { }
propagated_noise_height_low () { }
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high () { }
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio__below_low () { }
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high () { }
propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low () { }
propagated_noise_width_above_high () { }
propagated_noise_width_below_low () { }

```

```

propagated_noise_width_high () { }
propagated_noise_width_low () { }
receiver_capacitance1_fall () { }
receiver_capacitance1_rise () { }
receiver_capacitance2_fall () { }
receiver_capacitance2_rise () { }
retaining_fall () { }
retaining_rise () { }
retain_fall_slew () { }
retain_rise_slew () { }
rise_constraint () { }
rise_propagation () { }
rise_transition () { }
steady_state_current_high () { }
steady_state_current_low () { }
steady_state_current_tristate () { }

```

clock_gating_flag Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to indicate that a constraint arc is for a clock gating relation between the data and clock pin, instead of a constraint found in standard sequential devices, such as registers and latches.

Syntax

```
clock_gating_flag : Boolean ;
```

Boolean

Valid values are `true` and `false`. The value `true` is applicable only when the value of the `timing_type` attribute is `setup`, `hold`, or `nochange`. When not defined for a timing arc, the value `false` is assumed, indicating the timing arc is part of a standard sequential device.

Example

```
clock_gating_flag : true ;
```

default_timing Simple Attribute

The `default_timing` attribute allows you to specify one timing arc as the default in the case of multiple timing arcs with `when` statements.

Syntax

```
default_timing : Boolean expression ;
```

Example

```
default_timing : true ;
```

fall_resistance Simple Attribute

The `fall_resistance` attribute represents the load-dependent output resistance, or drive capability, for a logic 1-to-0 transition.

Note:

You cannot specify a resistance unit in the library. Instead, the resistance unit is derived from the ratio of the `time_unit` value to the `capacitive_load_unit` value.

Syntax

```
fall_resistance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number in terms of delay time per load unit.

Example

```
fall_resistance : 0.18 ;
```

fpga_arc_condition Simple Attribute

The `fpga_arc_condition` attribute specifies a Boolean condition that enables a timing arc.

Syntax

```
fpga_arc_condition : conditionBoolean ) ;
```

condition

Specifies a Boolean condition. Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
fpga_arc_condition : ;
```

fpga_domain_style Simple Attribute

Use this attribute to reference a `calc_mode` value in a domain group in a polynomial table.

Syntax

```
fpga_domain_style : "nameid" ;
```

name

The calc_mode value.

Example

```
fpga_domain_style : "speed" ;
```

interdependence_id Simple Attribute

Use pairs of `interdependence_id` attributes to identify interdependent pairs of setup and hold constraint tables. Interdependence data is supported in conditional constraint checking; the `interdependence_id` attribute increases independently for each condition. Interdependence data can be specified in pin, bus, and bundle groups.

Syntax

```
interdependence_id : "nameenum" ;
```

name

Valid values are 1, 2, 3, and so on.

Examples

```
timing()  
  related_pin : CLK ;  
  timing_type: setup_rising ;  
  interdependence_id : 1 ;  
  ...  
timing()  
  related_pin : CLK ;  
  timing_type: setup_rising ;  
  interdependence_id : 2 ;  
  
...  
pin (D_IN) {  
  ...  
  /* original nonconditional setup/hold constraints  
  */  
  setup/hold constraints  
  /* new interdependence data for nonconditional constraint  
  
  checking */
```

```

setup/hold, interdependent_id = 1
setup/hold, interdependent_id = 2
setup/hold, interdependent_id = 3

/* original setup/hold constraints for conditional

<condition_a> */
setup/hold when <condition_a>
/* new interdependence data for <condition_a> constraint

checking */
setup/hold when <condition_a>, interdependent_id =
1
setup/hold when <condition_a>, interdependent_id =
2
setup/hold when <condition_a>, interdependent_id =
3

/* original setup/hold constraints for conditional

<condition_b> */
setup/hold when <condition_b>
/* new interdependence data for <condition_b> constraint

checking */
setup/hold when <condition_b>, interdependent_id = 1

setup/hold when <condition_b>, interdependent_id = 2

setup/hold when <condition_b>, interdependent_id =
3
}

```

Guidelines:

- To prevent potential backward-compatibility issues, interdependence data cannot be the first timing arc in the pin group.
- The `interdependence_id` attribute only supports the following timing types: `setup_rising`, `setup_falling`, `hold_rising`, and `hold_falling`. If you set this attribute on other timing types, an error is reported.
- You must specify setup and hold interdependence data in pairs; otherwise an error is reported. If you define one `setup_rising` timing arc with `interdependence_id: 1`; on a pin, you must also define a

hold_rising timing arc with interdependence_id: 1; for that pin. The interdependence_id could be a random integer, but it must be found in a pair of timing arcs. These timing types are considered as pairs: setup_rising with hold_rising and setup_falling with hold_falling.

- For each set of conditional constraints (nonconditional categorized as a special condition), a timing arc with a specific interdependence_id should be unique in a pin group.
- For each set of conditional constraints, the interdependence_id must start from 1, and if there is multiple interdependence data defined, the values for the interdependence_id should be in consecutive order. That is, 1, 2, 3 is allowed, but 1, 2, 4 is not.

intrinsic_fall Simple Attribute

For an output pin, the intrinsic_fall attribute defines the 1-to-Z propagation time for a three-state-disable timing type and the Z-to-0 propagation time for a three-state-enable timing type.

For an input pin, the intrinsic_fall attribute defines a setup, hold, or recovery timing requirement for a logic 1-to-0 transition.

The intrinsic_rise and intrinsic_fall attributes define the timing checks for the rising and falling transitions, respectively.

Syntax

```
intrinsic_fall : valuefloat ;
```

value

A floating-point number that represents a timing requirement.

Example

```
intrinsic_fall : 0.75 ;
```

intrinsic_rise Simple Attribute

For an output pin, the intrinsic_rise attribute defines the 0-to-Z propagation time for a three-state-disable timing type and a Z-to-1 propagation time for a three-state-enable timing type.

For an input pin, the intrinsic_rise attribute defines a setup, hold, or recovery timing requirement for a logic 0-to-1 transition.

The intrinsic_fall and intrinsic_rise attributes define the timing checks for the rising and falling transitions, respectively.

Syntax

`intrinsic_rise : float ;`

value

A floating-point number that represents a timing requirement.

Example

```
intrinsic_rise : 0.17 ;
```

related_bus_equivalent Simple Attribute

The `related_bus_equivalent` attribute generates a single timing arc for all paths from points in a group through an internal pin (I) to given endpoints.

Syntax

```
related_bus_equivalent : " name1 [name2 name3 ...  
]";
```

Example

```
related_bus_equivalent : a ;
```

[Example 3-7](#) shows an example using equivalent bus pins.

Example 3-7 Equivalent Bus Pins

```
cell(ace11) {  
    ...  
    bus(y) {  
        bus_type : bus4;  
        direction : output;  
        timing() {  
            related_bus_equivalent : a;  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
    bus(a) {  
        bus_type : bus4;  
        direction : input;  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

related_bus_pins Simple Attribute

The `related_bus_pins` attribute defines the pin or pins that are the startpoint of the

timing arc. The primary use of `related_bus_pins` is for module generators.

Note:

When a `related_bus_pins` attribute is within a timing group, the timing group must be within a bus or bundle group.

Syntax

```
related_bus_pins : " name1 [name2 name3 ...
]";
```

Example

```
related_bus_pins : "A" ;
```

related_output_pin Simple Attribute

The `related_output_pin` attribute specifies the output or inout pin used to describe a load-dependent constraint. This is an attribute in the `timing` group of the output or inout pin. The pin defined must be a pin in the same cell, and its direction must be either output or inout.

Syntax

```
related_output_pin : name ;
```

Example

```
related_output_pin : Z ;
```

related_pin Simple Attribute

The `related_pin` attribute defines the pin or pins representing the beginning point of the timing arc. It is required in all `timing` groups.

Syntax

```
related_pin : "name1 [name2 name3 ...
]";
```

In a cell with input pin A and output pin B, define A and its relationship to B in the `related_pin` attribute statement in the `timing` group that describes pin B.

Example

```
pin (B){
    direction : output ;
```



```

function : "A'";
timing () {
    related_pin : "A" ;
    ... timing information ...
}
}

```

The `related_pin` attribute statement can also serve as a shortcut for two identical timing arcs for a cell. For example, in a 2-input NAND gate with identical delays from both input pins to the output pin, it is necessary to define only one timing arc with two related pins.

Example

```

pin (Z) {
    direction : output;
    function : "(A * B)'" ;
    timing () {
        related_pin : "A B" ;
        ... timing information ...
    }
}

```

When a bus name appears in a `related_pin` attribute, the bus members or range of members is distributed across all members of the parent bus. The width of the bus or the range must be the same as the width of the parent bus.

Pin names used in a `related_pin` statement can start with a nonalphabetic character.

Example

```

related_pin : "A 1B 2C" ;

```

Note:

It is not necessary to use the escape character, `\` (backslash), with nonalphabetic characters.

rise_resistance Simple Attribute

The `rise_resistance` attribute represents the load-dependent output resistance, or drive capability, for a logic 0-to-1 transition.

Note:

You cannot specify a resistance unit in the library. Instead, the resistance unit is derived from the ratio of the `time_unit` value to the `capacitive_load_unit` value.

Syntax

```
rise_resistance : valuefloat ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number in terms of delay time per load unit.

Example

```
rise_resistance : 0.15 ;
```

sdf_cond Simple Attribute

The `sdf_cond` attribute is defined in the state-dependent `timing` group to support SDF file generation and condition matching during back-annotation.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond : "SDF expression" ;
```

SDF expression

A string that represents a Boolean description of the state dependency of the delay. Use a Boolean description that conforms to the valid syntax defined in the OVI SDF, which is different from the Boolean expression. For a complete description of the valid syntax for these expressions, see the OVI specification for SDF, V1.0.

Example

```
sdf_cond : "b == 1'b1" ;
```

sdf_cond_end Simple Attribute

The `sdf_cond_end` attribute defines a timing-check condition specific to the end event in VHDL models. The expression must conform to OVI SDF 2.1 timing-check condition syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond_end : "SDF expression" ;
```

SDF expression

An SDF expression containing names of input, output,

inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
sdf_cond_end : "SIG_0 == 1'b1" ;
```

sdf_cond_start Simple Attribute

The `sdf_cond_start` attribute defines a timing-check condition specific to the start event in full-timing gate-level simulation (FTGS) models. The expression must conform to OVI SDF 2.1 timing-check condition syntax.

Syntax

```
sdf_cond_start : "SDF expression" ;
```

SDF expression

An SDF expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
sdf_cond_start : "SIG_2 == 1'b1" ;
```

sdf_edges Simple Attribute

The `sdf_edges` attribute defines the edge specification on both the start pin and the end pin. The default is `noedge`.

Syntax

```
sdf_edges : sdf_edge_type;
```

sdf_edge_type

One of these four edge types: `noedge`, `start_edge`, `end_edge`, or `both_edges`. The default is `noedge`.

Example

```
sdf_edges : both_edges;  
sdf_edges : start_edge ; /* edge specification on starting pin */  
  
sdf_edges : end_edge ; /* edge specification on end pin  
*/
```

sensitization_master Simple Attribute

The `sensitization_master` attribute defines the `sensitization` group specific to the current timing group to generate stimulus for characterization. The attribute is optional when the sensitization master used for the timing arc is the same as that defined in the current cell. It is required when they are different. Any `sensitization` group name predefined in the current library is a valid attribute value.

Syntax

```
sensitization_master : sensitization_group_name;
```

sensitization_group_name

A string identifying the `sensitization` group name predefined in the current library.

Example

```
sensitization_master : sensi_2in_1out;
```

slope_fall Simple Attribute

The `slope_fall` attribute represents the incremental delay to add to the slope of the input waveform for a logic 1-to-0 transition.

Syntax

```
slope_fall : value_float ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number multiplied by the transition delay resulting in slope delay.

Example

```
slope_fall : 0.8 ;
```

slope_rise Simple Attribute

The `slope_rise` attribute represents the incremental delay to add to the slope of the input waveform for a logic 0-to-1 transition.

Syntax

```
slope_rise : value_float ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number multiplied by the transition delay resulting in slope delay.

Example

```
slope_rise : 1.0 ;
```

steady_state_resistance_above_high Simple Attribute

The `steady_state_resistance_above_high` attribute specifies a steady-state resistance value for a region of a current-voltage (I-V) curve when the output is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

Syntax

```
steady_state_resistance_above_high : valuefloat ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number that represents the resistance. The resistance unit is a function of the unit of time divided by the library unit of capacitance.

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_above_high : 200 ;
```

steady_state_resistance_below_low Simple Attribute

The `steady_state_resistance_below_low` attribute specifies a steady-state resistance value for a region of a current-voltage (I-V) curve when the output is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

Syntax

```
steady_state_resistance_below_low : valuefloat ;
```

value

A positive floating-point number that represents the resistance. The resistance unit is a function of the unit of time divided by the library unit of capacitance.

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_below_low : 100 ;
```

steady_state_resistance_high Simple Attribute

The `steady_state_resistance_high` attribute specifies a steady-state resistance value for a region of a current-voltage (I-V) curve when the output is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

Syntax

`steady_state_resistance_high : valuefloat ;`

value

A positive floating-point number that represents the resistance. The resistance unit is a function of the unit of time divided by the library unit of capacitance.

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_high : 1500 ;
```

steady_state_resistance_low Simple Attribute

The `steady_state_resistance_low` attribute specifies a steady-state resistance value for a region of a current-voltage (I-V) curve when the output is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

Syntax

`steady_state_resistance_low : valuefloat ;`

value

A positive floating-point number that represents the resistance. The resistance unit is a function of the unit of time divided by the library unit of capacitance.

Example

```
steady_state_resistance_low : 1100 ;
```

tied_off Simple Attribute

The `tied_off` attribute is used for noise modeling and allows you to specify the I-V characteristics and steady-state resistance values of the tied-off cells.

Syntax

`tied_off : Boolean ;`

Boolean

Valid values are true and false.

Example

```
tied_off : true ;
```

timing_sense Simple Attribute

The `timing_sense` attribute describes the way an input pin logically affects an output pin.

Syntax

```
timing_sense : positive_unate | negative_unate  
| non_unate ;
```

positive_unate

Combines incoming rise delays with local rise delays and compares incoming fall delays with local fall delays.

negative_unate

Combines incoming rise delays with local fall delays and compares incoming fall delays with local rise delays.

non_unate

Combines local delays with the worst-case incoming delay value. The non-unate timing sense represents a function whose output value change cannot be determined from the direction of the change in the input value.

Timing sense is derived from the logic function of a pin. For example, the value derived for an AND gate is `positive_unate`, the value for a NAND gate is `negative_unate`, and the value for an XOR gate is `non_unate`.

A function is *unate* if a rising (or falling) change on a positive unate input variable causes the output function variable to rise (or fall) or not change. A rising (or falling) change on a negative unate input variable causes the output function variable to fall (or rise) or not change. For a nonunate variable, further state information is required to determine the effects of a particular state transition.

You can specify half-unate sequential timing arcs if the `timing_type` value is either `rising_edge` or `falling_edge` and the `timing_sense` value is either `positive_unate` or `negative_unate`.

- In the case of `rising_edge` and `positive_unate` values, only the `cell_rise` and `rise_transition` information is required.
- In the case of `rising_edge` and `negative_unate` values, only the `cell_fall` and `fall_transition` information is required.
- In the case of `falling_edge` and `positive_unate` values, only the `cell_rise` and `rise_transition` information is required.
- In the case of `falling_edge` and `negative_unate` values, only the `cell_fall` and `fall_transition` information is required.

Do not define the `timing_sense` value of a pin, except when you need to override the derived value or when you are characterizing a noncombinational gate such as a three-state component. For example, you might want to define the timing sense manually when you model multiple paths between an input pin and an output pin, such as in an XOR gate.

It is possible that one path is positive unate while another is negative unate. In this case, the first timing arc is given a `positive_unate` designation and the second is given a `negative_unate` designation.

Timing arcs with a timing type of `clear` or `preset` require a `timing_sense` attribute.

If `related_pin` is an output pin, you must define a `timing_sense` attribute for that pin.

timing_type Simple Attribute

The `timing_type` attribute distinguishes between combinational and sequential cells by defining the type of timing arc. If this attribute is not assigned, the cell is considered combinational.

Syntax

```
timing_type : combinational | combinational_rise
|
  combinational_fall | three_state_disable |
  three_state_disable_rise | three_state_disable_fall |
  three_state_enable | three_state_enable_rise |
  three_state_enable_fall | rising_edge | falling_edge |
  preset | clear | hold_rising | hold_falling |
  setup_rising | setup_falling | recovery_rising |
  recovery_falling | skew_rising | skew_falling |
  removal_rising | removal_falling | min_pulse_width |
  minimum_period | max_clock_tree_path |
  min_clock_tree_path | non_seq_setup_rising |
  non_seq_setup_falling | non_seq_hold_rising |
  non_seq_hold_falling | nochange_high_high |
  nochange_high_low | nochange_low_high |
  nochange_low_low ;
```

Combinational Timing Arcs

The timing type and timing sense define the signal propagation pattern. The default timing type is `combinational`.

Timing type		Timing sense	
	Positive_Unate	Negative_Unate	Non_Unate
<code>combinational</code>	R->R,F->F	R->F,F->R	{R,F}->{R,F}
<code>combinational_rise</code>	R->R	F->R	{R,F}->R
<code>combinational_fall</code>	F->F	R->F	{R,F}->F

three_state_disable	R->{0Z,1Z}	F->{0Z,1Z}	{R,F}->{0Z,1Z}
three_state_enable	R->{Z0,Z1}	F->{Z0,Z1}	{R,F}->{Z0,Z1}
three_state_disable_rise	R->0Z	F->0Z	{R,F}->0Z
three_state_disable_fall	R->1Z	F->1Z	{R,F}->1Z
three_state_enable_rise	R->Z1	F->Z1	{R,F}->Z1
three_state_enable_fall	R->Z0	F->Z0	{R,F}->Z0

Sequential Timing Arcs

rising_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a rising signal at the input pin.

falling_edge

Identifies a timing arc whose output pin is sensitive to a falling signal at the input pin.

preset

Preset arcs affect only the rise arrival time of the arc's endpoint pin. A preset arc implies that you are asserting a logic 1 on the output pin when the designated related_pin is asserted.

clear

Clear arcs affect only the fall arrival time of the arc's endpoint pin. A clear arc implies that you are asserting a logic 0 on the output pin when the designated related_pin is asserted.

hold_rising

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the hold check.

hold_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the hold check.

setup_rising

Designates the rising edge of the related pin for the setup check on clocked elements.

setup_falling

Designates the falling edge of the related pin for the setup check on clocked elements.

recovery_rising

Uses the rising edge of the related pin for the recovery time check. The clock is rising-edge-triggered.

recovery_falling

Uses the falling edge of the related pin for the recovery time check. The clock is falling-edge-triggered.

skew_rising

The timing constraint interval is measured from the rising edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin of the timing group. The `intrinsic_rise` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin rising and the parent pin rising. The `intrinsic_fall` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin rising and the parent pin falling.

skew_falling

The timing constraint interval is measured from the falling edge of the reference pin (specified in `related_pin`) to a transition edge of the parent pin of the timing group. The `intrinsic_rise` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin falling and the parent pin rising. The `intrinsic_fall` value is the maximum skew time between the reference pin falling and the parent pin falling.

removal_rising

Used when the cell is a low-enable latch or a rising-edge-triggered flip-flop. For active-low asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_rise` attribute. For active-high asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_fall` attribute.

removal_falling

Used when the cell is a high-enable latch or a falling-edge-triggered flip-flop. For active-low asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_rise` attribute. For active-high asynchronous control signals, define the removal time with the `intrinsic_fall` attribute.

min_pulse_width

This value lets you specify the minimum pulse width for a clock pin. The timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin should be the same. You need to specify both rise and fall constraints to calculate the high and low pulse widths.

minimum_period

This value lets you specify the minimum period for a clock pin. The timing check is performed on the pin itself, so the related pin should be the same. You need to specify both rise and fall

constraints to calculate the minimum clock period. Rise constraint is characterization data when the clock waveform has a rising start edge. Fall constraint is characterization data when the start edge of a waveform is falling.

max_clock_tree_path

Used in `timing` groups under a clock pin. Defines the maximum clock tree path constraint.

min_clock_tree_path

Used in `timing` groups under a clock pin. Defines the minimum clock tree path constraint.

Example

[Example 3-8](#) shows how to specify a lookup table with the `timing_type` attribute and `min_pulse_width` and `minimum_period` values. The `rise_constraint` group defines the rising pulse width constraint for `min_pulse_width`, and the `fall_constraint` group defines the falling pulse width constraint. For `minimum_period`, the `rise_constraint` group is used to model the period when the pulse is rising and the `fall_constraint` group is used to model the period when the pulse is falling. You can specify the `rise_constraint` group, the `fall_constraint` group, or both groups.

Example 3-8 Example Library With `timing_type` Statements

```
library(example) {

    technology (cmos) ;
    delay_model : table_lookup ;

    /* 2-D table template */
    lu_table_template ( mpw ) {
        variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition;
        /* You can replace the constrained_pin_transition value with
        related_pin_transition, but you cannot specify both values. */

        variable_2 :
related_out_total_output_net_capacitance;
        index_1("1, 2, 3");
        index_2("1, 2, 3");
    }

    /* 1-D table template */
    lu_table_template( f_ocap ) {
        variable_1 : total_output_net_capacitance;
```

```

    index_1 (" 0.0000, 1.0000 ");
}

cell( test ) {
    area : 200.000000 ;
    dont_use : true ;
    dont_touch : true ;

    pin ( CK ) {
        direction : input;
        rise_capacitance : 0.00146468;
        fall_capacitance : 0.00145175;
        capacitance : 0.00146468;
        clock : true;

        timing ( mpw_constraint) {
            related_pin : "CK";
            timing_type : min_pulse_width;
            related_output_pin : "Z";

            fall_constraint ( mpw) {
                index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3");
                index_2("0.1, 0.2");
                values( "0.10 0.11", \
                    "0.12 0.13" \
                    "0.14 0.15");
            }

            rise_constraint ( mpw) {
                index_1("0.1, 0.2, 0.3");
                index_2("0.1, 0.2");
                values( "0.10 0.11", \
                    "0.12 0.13" \
                    "0.14 0.15");
            }

            timing ( mpw_constraint) {
                related_pin : "CK";
                timing_type : minimum_period;
                related_output_pin : "Z";

                fall_constraint ( mpw) {
                    index_1("0.2, 0.4, 0.6");
                    index_2("0.2, 0.4");
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

        values( "0.20 0.22", \
              "0.24 0.26" \
              "0.28 0.30");
    }

    rise_constraint ( mpw) {
        index_1("0.2, 0.4, 0.6");
        index_2("0.2, 0.4");
        values( "0.20 0.22", \
              "0.24 0.26" \
              "0.28 0.30");
    }
}
}
...
} /* end of arc */
} /* end of cell */
} /* end of library */

```

Nonsequential Timing Arcs

In some nonsequential cells, the setup and hold timing constraints are specified on the data pin with a nonclock pin as the related pin. It requires the signal of a pin to be stable for a specified period of time before and after another pin of the same cell range state so that the cell can function as expected.

non_seq_setup_rising

Defines (with *non_seq_setup_falling*) the timing arcs used for setup checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

non_seq_setup_falling

Defines (with *non_seq_setup_rising*) the timing arcs used for setup checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check. .

non_seq_hold_rising

Defines (with *non_seq_hold_falling*) the timing arcs used for hold checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

non_seq_hold_falling

Defines (with *non_seq_hold_rising*) the timing arcs used for hold checks between pins with nonsequential behavior. The related pin in a timing arc is used for the timing check.

No-Change Timing Arcs

This feature models the timing requirement of latch devices with latch-enable signals. The four no-change timing types define the pulse waveforms of both the constrained signal and the related signal in standard CMOS and nonlinear CMOS delay models. The information is used in static timing verification during synthesis.

nochange_high_high (positive/positive)

Indicates a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

nochange_high_low (positive/negative)

Indicates a positive pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

nochange_low_high (negative/positive)

Indicates a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a positive pulse on the related pin.

nochange_low_low (negative/negative)

Indicates a negative pulse on the constrained pin and a negative pulse on the related pin.

wave_rise_sampling_index and wave_fall_sampling_index Attributes

The `wave_rise_sampling_index` and `wave_fall_sampling_index` simple attributes override the default behavior of the `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes (which select the first and the last vectors to define the sensitization patterns of the input to the output pin transition that are predefined inside the sensitization template specified at the library level).

Syntax

```
wave_rise_sampling_index : integer ;  
wave_fall_sampling_index : integer ;
```

Example

```
wave_rise (2, 5, 7, 6); /* wave_rise ( wave_rise[0],  
wave_rise[1], wave_rise[2], wave_rise[3] );*/
```

In the previous example, the wave rise vector delay is measured from the last transition (vector 7 changing to vector 6) to the output transition. The default `wave_rise_sampling_index` value is the last entry in the vector, which is 3 in this case (because the numbering begins at 0).

To override this default, set the `wave_rise_sampling_index` attribute, as shown:

```
wave_rise_sampling_index : 2 ;
```

When the attribute is set, the delay is measured from the second last transition of the

sensitization vector to the final output transition, in other words from the transition of vector 5 to vector 7.

when Simple Attribute

The `when` attribute is used in state-dependent timing and conditional timing checks.

Note:

The `when` attribute also appears in the `min_pulse_width` group and the `minimum_period` group (described on and , respectively). Both groups can be placed in `pin`, `bus`, and `bundle` groups. The `when` attribute also appears in the `power`, `fall_power`, and `rise_power` groups.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A Boolean expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
when : "CD * SD" ;
```

State-Dependent Timing

In the `timing` group of a technology library, you can specify state-dependent delays that correspond to entries in OVI SDF 2.1 syntax. In state-dependent timing, the `when` attribute defines a conditional expression on which a timing arc is dependent to activate a path.

Conditional Timing Check

In a conditional timing check, the `when` attribute defines check-enabling conditions for timing checks such as setup, hold, and recovery.

Conditional Timing Check in VITAL Models

The `when` attribute is used in modeling timing check conditions for VITAL models, where, if you define `when`, you must also define `sdf_cond`.

Syntax

```
when : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A valid logic expression as defined in [Table 3-4](#).

Example

```
when : "CLR & PRE" ;  
sdf_cond : "CLR & PRE" ;
```

when_end Simple Attribute

The `when_end` attribute defines a timing-check condition specific to the end event in VHDL models.

Syntax

```
when_end : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A Boolean expression containing names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
when_end : "CD * SD * Q'" ;
```

when_start Simple Attribute

The `when_start` attribute defines a timing-check condition specific to the start event in VHDL models.

Syntax

```
when_start : "Boolean expression" ;
```

Boolean expression

A Boolean expression containing the names of input, output, inout, and internal pins.

Example

```
when_start : "CD * SD" ;
```

fall_delay_intercept Complex Attribute

For piecewise models only, the `fall_delay_intercept` attribute defines the intercept for vendors using slope- or intercept-type timing equations. The value of the attribute is added to the falling edge in the delay equation.

Syntax

```
fall_delay_intercept ("integer, float");
```

Examples from a CMOS library:

```
fall_delay_intercept (0, "1.0") ; /* piece 0 */
fall_delay_intercept (1, "0.0") ; /* piece 1 */
fall_delay_intercept (2, "-1.0") ; /* piece 2 */
```

fall_pin_resistance Complex Attribute

For piecewise models only, the `fall_pin_resistance` attribute defines the drive resistance applied to pin loads in the falling edge in the transition delay equation.

Syntax

```
fall_pin_resistance (integer,
"float");
```

Examples From a CMOS library:

```
fall_pin_resistance (0, "0.25") ; /* piece 0 */
fall_pin_resistance (1, "0.50") ; /* piece 1 */
fall_pin_resistance (2, "1.00") ; /* piece 2 */
```

function Complex Attribute

The `function` attribute can be defined in a pin or a bus group. It maps an output, inout, or an internal pin to a corresponding internal node or a `variable1` or `variable2` value in an `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` group. The `function` attribute also accepts a Boolean equation containing `variable1` or `variable2`, as well as other input, inout, or internal pins.

Example

```
pin (Q) {
  direction : output;
  function : "Q2";
  reference_input : "RET CK q1";
  ...
}
```

reference_input Complex Attribute

The `reference_input` attribute can be defined in a pin or a bus group. It specifies the input pins, which map directly to the reference pin names of the corresponding `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` group. For each inout, output, or internal pin, the corresponding `ff`, `latch`, `ff_bank`, or `latch_bank` group is determined by the `variable1` or `variable2` value specified in its function statement.

Example

```
pin (Q) {
  direction : output;
  function : "Q2";
  reference_input : "RET CK q1";
  ...
}
```

mode Complex Attribute

You define the `mode` attribute within a `timing` group. A `mode` attribute pertains to an individual timing arc. The timing arc is active when `mode` is instantiated with a name and a value. You can specify multiple instances of the `mode` attribute, but only one instance for each timing arc.

Syntax

```
mode (mode_name, mode_value);
```

Example

```
timing() {
  mode(rw, read);
}
```

[Example 3-9](#) shows a `mode` description.

Example 3-9 A mode Description

```
pin(my_outpin) {
  direction : output;
  timing() {
    related_pin : b;
    timing_sense : non_unate;
    mode(rw, read);
    cell_rise(delay3x3) {
      values("1.1, 1.2, 1.3", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0", "2.5, 3.5,
4.5");
    }
    rise_transition(delay3x3) {
      values("1.0, 1.1, 1.2", "1.5, 1.8, 2.0", "2.5, 3.0,
3.5");
    }
    cell_fall(delay3x3) {
      values("1.1, 1.2, 1.3", "2.0, 3.0, 4.0", "2.5, 3.5,
4.5");
    }
    fall_transition(delay3x3) {
```

```

        values("1.0, 1.1, 1.2", "1.5, 1.8, 2.0", "2.5, 3.0,
3.5");
    }
}
}

```

[Example 3-10](#) shows multiple mode descriptions.

Example 3-10 Multiple mode Descriptions

```

library (MODE_EXAMPLE) {
    delay_model          : "table_lookup";
    time_unit            : "1ns";
    voltage_unit         : "1V";
    current_unit         : "1mA";
    pulling_resistance_unit : "1kohm";
    leakage_power_unit   : "1nW" ;
    capacitive_load_unit (1, pf);
    nom_process          : 1.0;
    nom_voltage          : 1.0;
    nom_temperature      : 125.0;
    slew_lower_threshold_pct_rise : 10 ;
    slew_upper_threshold_pct_rise : 90 ;
    input_threshold_pct_fall      : 50 ;
    output_threshold_pct_fall     : 50 ;
    input_threshold_pct_rise      : 50 ;
    output_threshold_pct_rise     : 50 ;
    slew_lower_threshold_pct_fall : 10 ;
    slew_upper_threshold_pct_fall : 90 ;
    slew_derate_from_library     : 1.0 ;
    cell (mode_example) {
        mode_definition(RAM_MODE) {
            mode_value(MODE_1) {
            }
            mode_value(MODE_2) {
            }
            mode_value(MODE_3) {
            }
            mode_value(MODE_4) {
            }
        }
        interface_timing : true;
        dont_use         : true;
        dont_touch       : true;
        pin(Q) {
            direction          : output;
            max_capacitance    : 2.0;
            three_state        : "!OE";
            timing() {
                related_pin    : "CK";
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

    timing_sense      : non_unate
    timing_type       : rising_edge
    mode(RAM_MODE, "MODE_1 MODE_2");
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}
timing() {
    related_pin       : "OE";
    timing_sense      : positive_unate
    timing_type       : three_state_enable
    mode(RAM_MODE, " MODE_2 MODE_3");
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}
timing() {
    related_pin       : "OE";
    timing_sense      : negative_unate
    timing_type       : three_state_disable
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_3);
    cell_rise(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    cell_fall(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    rise_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_transition(scalar) {
        values( " 0.0 ");
    }
}

```

```

    }
  }
}
pin(A) {
  direction          : input;
  capacitance        : 1.0;
  max_transition     : 2.0;
  timing() {
    timing_type      : setup_rising;
    related_pin      : "CK";
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_2);
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
  }
  timing() {
    timing_type      : hold_rising;
    related_pin      : "CK";
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_2);
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
  }
}
pin(OE) {
  direction          : input;
  capacitance        : 1.0;
  max_transition     : 2.0;
}
pin(CS) {
  direction          : input;
  capacitance        : 1.0;
  max_transition     : 2.0;
  timing() {
    timing_type      : setup_rising;
    related_pin      : "CK";
    mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_1);
    rise_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
    fall_constraint(scalar) {
      values( " 0.0 ");
    }
  }
}

```

```

    timing() {
        timing_type      : hold_rising;
        related_pin      : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE, MODE_1);
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
}
pin(CK) {
    timing() {
        timing_type : "min_pulse_width";
        related_pin : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE , MODE_4);
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
    timing() {
        timing_type : "minimum_period";
        related_pin : "CK";
        mode(RAM_MODE , MODE_4);
        rise_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
        fall_constraint(scalar) {
            values( " 0.0 ");
        }
    }
    clock          : true;
    direction      : input;
    capacitance    : 1.0;
    max_transition : 1.0;
}
cell_leakage_power : 0.0;
}
}

```

pin_name_map Complex Attribute

Similar to the `pin_name_map` attribute defined in the cell level, the timing-arc `pin_name_map` attribute defines pin names used to generate stimulus for the current timing arc. The attribute is optional when `pin_name_map` pin names are the same as (listed in order of priority)

1. pin names in the `sensitization_master` of the current timing arc.
2. pin names in the `pin_name_map` attribute of the current cell group.
3. pin names in the `sensitization_master` of the current cell group.

The `pin_name_map` attribute is required when `pin_name_map` pin names are different from all of the pin names in the previous list.

Syntax

```
pin_name_map (string..., string);
```

Example

```
pin_name_map (CIN0, CIN1, CK, Z);
```

rise_delay_intercept Complex Attribute

For piecewise models only, the `rise_delay_intercept` attribute defines the intercept for vendors using slope- or intercept-type timing equations. The value of the attribute is added to the rising edge in the delay equation.

Syntax

```
rise_delay_intercept (integer,  
"float");
```

Examples from a CMOS library:

```
rise_delay_intercept (0, "1.0") ; /* piece 0 */  
rise_delay_intercept (1, "0.0") ; /* piece 1 */
```

rise_pin_resistance Complex Attribute

For piecewise models only, the `rise_pin_resistance` attribute defines the drive resistance applied to pin loads in the rising edge in the transition delay equation.

Syntax

```
rise_pin_resistance (integer,  
"float");
```

Examples from a CMOS library:

```
rise_pin_resistance (0, "0.25"); /* piece 0 */  
rise_pin_resistance (1, "0.50"); /* piece 1 */  
rise_pin_resistance (2, "1.00"); /* piece 2 */
```

wave_rise and wave_fall Complex Attributes

The `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes represent the two stimuli used in characterization. The value for both attributes is a list of integer values, and each value is a vector ID predefined in the library sensitization group. The following example describes the `wave_rise` and `wave_fall` attributes:

```
wave_rise (vector_id[m]..., vector_id[n]);  
wave_fall (vector_id[j]..., vector_id[k]);
```

Syntax

```
wave_rise (integer..., integer);  
wave_fall (integer..., integer);
```

Example

```
library(my_library) {  
  ...  
  sensitization(sensi_2in_1out) {  
    pin_names (IN1, IN2, OUT);  
    vector (0, "0 0 0");  
    vector (1, "0 0 1");  
    vector (2, "0 1 0");  
    vector (3, "0 1 1");  
    vector (4, "1 0 0");  
    vector (5, "1 0 1");  
    vector (6, "1 1 0");  
    vector (7, "1 1 1");  
  }  
  cell (my_nand2) {  
    sensitization_master : sensi_2in_1out;  
    pin_name_map (A, B, Z);      /* these are pin names for the sensitization  
  
in this  
    cell. */  
    ...  
    pin(A) {  
      ...  
    }  
    Pin(B) {  
      ...  
    }  
    pin(Z) {  
      ...  
      timing() {  
        related_pin : "A";  
        wave_rise (6, 3); /* 6, 3 - vector id in sensi_2in_1out  
  
sensitization  
    group. Waveform interpretation of the wave_rise is (for
```



```

"A,
    B, Z" pins): 10 1 01 */
    wave_fall (3, 6);
    ...
}
timing() {
    related_pin : "B";
    wave_rise (7, 4); /* 7, 4 - vector id in sensi_2in_1out

sensitization
    group. */
    wave_fall (4, 7);
    ...
}
} /* end pin(Z)*/
} /* end cell(my_nand2) */
...
} /* end library */

```

wave_rise_time_interval and wave_fall_time_interval Complex Attributes

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` complex attributes control the time interval between transitions. By default, the stimuli (specified in `wave_rise` and `wave_fall`) are widely spaced apart during characterization (for example, 10 ns from one vector to the next) to allow all output transition to stabilize. The attributes allow you to specify the duration between one vector to the next to characterize special purpose cells.

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` attributes are optional when the default time interval is used for all transitions, and they are required when you need to define special time intervals between transitions. Usually, the special time interval is smaller than the default time interval.

The `wave_rise_time_interval` and `wave_fall_time_interval` attributes can have an argument count from 1 to $n-1$, where n is the number of arguments in corresponding `wave_rise` or `wave_fall`. Use 0 to imply the default time interval used between vectors.

Syntax

```

wave_rise_time_interval (float..., float) ;
wave_fall_time_interval (float..., float) ;

```

Example

```

wave_rise (2, 5, 7, 6); /* wave_rise ( wave_rise[0],
wave_rise[1], wave_rise[2], wave_rise[3] );*/
wave_rise_time_interval (0.0, 0.3);

```

The previous example suggests the following:

- Use the default time interval between `wave_rise[0]` and

- `wave_rise[1]` (in other words, vector 2 and vector 5).
- Use 0.3 between `wave_rise[1]` and `wave_rise[2]` (in other words, vector 5 and vector 7).
- Use the default time interval between `wave_rise[2]` and `wave_rise[3]` (in other words, vector 7 and vector 6).

`ccs_retain_rise` and `ccs_retain_fall` Groups

The `ccs_retain_rise` and `ccs_retain_fall` groups are provided in the timing group for expanded CCS retain arcs.

Syntax

```
cell(namestring) {
  pin (namestring) {
    timing() {
      ccs_retain_rise() {
        vector(template_namestring) {
          reference_time : float;
          index_1("float");
          index_2("float");
          index_3("float, ..., float");
          values("float, ..., float");
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

`cell_degradation` Group

The `cell_degradation` group describes a cell performance degradation design rule for compiling a design. A cell degradation design rule specifies the maximum capacitive load a cell can drive without causing cell performance degradation during the fall transition.

Syntax

```
pin (output pin name)
{
  timing () {
    cell_degradation (template name)
    {
      ...cell_degradation description...
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
coefs /* polynomial model */
orders /* polynomial model */
index_1 /* lookup table */
```

```
values /* lookup table */
variable_n_range /* polynomial model */
```

Group

```
domain
```

coefs Complex Attribute

Use the `coefs` attribute to specify a list of the coefficients you use in a polynomial to characterize timing information. This attribute is required when you specify a scalable polynomial delay model. The coefficients are represented in the `.lib` file and saved in the database in column-first order. If any is term missing in the polynomial, you must insert a 0 (zero) in the corresponding position in the `coefs` attribute to ensure correct processing of the coefficients.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `coefs` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `timing` group that defines the range of coefficients.

Syntax

```
pin (output_pin_name)
{
    timing () {
        ...
        coefs("float,
..., float")
        ...
    }
    ...
}
```

Example

```
timing () {
    coefs ("1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0. 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0,
          10.0, 11.0, 12.0") ;
}
}
```

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order of the variables you use in a polynomial to characterize timing information. This attribute is required in the `timing` group when you specify a scalable polynomial delay model. The `timing` group can be any timing group using polynomial delay modeling.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `orders` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `timing` group.

Syntax

```
pin (output_pin_name)
{
  timing () {
    orders("integer,
    ..., integer")
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Example

```
timing () {
  orders("2, 1, 1") ;
  ...
}
```

variable_n_range Complex Attribute

Use the `variable_n_range` attribute to specify the order of the variables for the polynomial to characterize timing information. This attribute is required in the `timing` group when you specify a scalable polynomial delay model. The `timing` group can be any timing group using polynomial delay modeling.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `orders` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `timing` group.

Syntax

```
pin (output_pin_name)
{
  timing () {
    ...
    variable_n_range(float, float) ;
  }
  ...
}
```

Example

```
timing () {  
    variable_n_range () ;  
}
```

domain Group

In the case of a piecewise polynomial and multiple tables defined by the `calc_mode` attribute, use one or more domain groups in the `timing` group to specify subsets of the polynomial template and tables of the lookup table templates.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `orders` and `coefs` attributes inside the `domain` group inside the `timing` group.

If the table is specified by `calc_mode`, the `values` attribute must be used inside the `timing` group. You can also use the `calc_mode` and `values` attributes inside the `timing` group to override the template values.

Note:

A domain name is required.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)  
{  
    cell (name_string)  
    {  
        pin (name_string)  
        {  
            timing () {  
                domain (name_string){  
                    ... domain description...  
                }  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Simple Attribute

`calc_mode`

Complex Attributes

```
coefs
orders
variable_n_range
```

For information about the syntax and usage of these attributes see the [“cell_degradation Group”](#).

Example 3-11 Specifying cell_degradation in a Lookup Table

```
pin (Z) {
  timing () {
    cell_degradation (constraint) {
      index_1 ("1.0, 1.5, 2.0") ;
      values ("1.0, 1.5, 2.0") ;
    }
    ...
  }
  ...
}
```

Example 3-12 Specifying cell_degradation in a Polynomial

```
domain (D1) {
  orders ("2, 1, 1");
  coefs ("1.000, 2.000, 3.000, 4.000, 5.000, 6.000, 7.000,
        8.000, 9.000, 10.000, 11.000, 12.000" );
  variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
  variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
```

cell_fall Group

The `cell_fall` group defines cell delay lookup tables (independently of transition delay) in CMOS nonlinear timing models.

Note:

The same k-factors that scale the `cell_fall` and `cell_rise` values also scale the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values. There are no separate k-factors for the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values.

The `cell_fall` group is defined at the `timing` group level, as shown here:

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
```

```

    pin (name_string)
  {
    timing () {
      cell_fall (name_string){
        ... cell fall description...
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ...,
float", ..., "float, ..., float");

```

Group

```
domain
```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Examples from a CMOS library:

```

cell_fall (cell_template) {
  values ("0.00, 0.24", "0.15, 0.26") ;
}

```

```

cell_fall (cell_template) {
  values ("0.00, 0.33", "0.11, 0.38") ;
}

```

Each lookup table has an associated string name to indicate which `lu_table_template` in the library group it is to use. The name must be the same as the string name you previously defined in the library `lu_table_template`. For information about the `lu_table_template` syntax, see the description in [“lu_table_template Group”](#).

You can overwrite `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` in a lookup table, but the overwrite must occur before the actual definition of values. The number of floating-point numbers for `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` must be the

same as the number you used in the `lu_table_template`.

The delay value of the table is stored in the `values` complex attribute. It is a list of `nindex_1` floating-point numbers for a one-dimensional table, `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers for a two-dimensional table, or `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` floating-point numbers for a three-dimensional table.

In a two-dimensional table, `nindex_1` and `nindex_2` are the size of `index_1` and `index_2` of the `lu_table_template` group. Group together `nindex_1` and `nindex_2` by using quotation marks (" ").

In a three-dimensional table, `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` are the sizes of `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` of the `lu_table_template` group. Group together `nindex_1`, `nindex_2`, and `nindex_3` by using quotation marks (" ").

Transition and cell table delay values must be 0.0 or greater. Propagation tables can contain negative delay values.

cell_rise Group

The `cell_rise` group defines cell delay lookup tables (independently of transition delay) in CMOS nonlinear timing models.

Note:

The same k-factors that scale the `cell_fall` and `cell_rise` values also scale the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values. There are no separate k-factors for the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        cell_rise (name_string){
          ... cell rise description ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_2 ("float, ..., float") ;
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ...,
```



```
float", ..., "float, ..., float");
```

Group

```
domain
```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Examples from a CMOS library

```
cell_rise(cell_template) {  
  values("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28") ;  
}
```

```
cell_rise(cell_template) {  
  values("0.00, 0.25", "0.11, 0.28") ;  
}
```

Each lookup table has an associated string name to indicate where in the library group it is to be used. The name must be the same as the string name you previously defined in the library `lu_table_template`. For information about the `lu_table_template` syntax, see the description in [“lu_table_template Group”](#).

You can overwrite `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` in a lookup table, but the overwrite must occur before the actual definition of values. The number of floating-point numbers for `index_1`, `index_2`, or `index_3` must be the same as the number you used in the `lu_table_template`.

The delay value of the table is stored in a `values` complex attribute. It is a list of `nindex_1` floating-point numbers for a one-dimensional table, `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` floating-point numbers for a two-dimensional table, or `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` floating-point numbers for a three-dimensional table.

In a two-dimensional table, `nindex_1` and `nindex_2` are the sizes of `index_1` and `index_2` of the `lu_table_template` group. Group together `nindex_1` and `nindex_2` by using quotation marks (" ").

In a three-dimensional table, `nindex_1` x `nindex_2` x `nindex_3` are the sizes of `index_1`, `index_2`, and `index_3` of the `lu_table_template` group. Group together `nindex_1`, `nindex_2`, and `nindex_3` by using by quotation marks (" ").

Each group represents a row in the table. The number of floating-point numbers in a group must equal `nindex_2`, and the number of groups in the

values complex attribute must equal `nindex_1`. The floating-point `nindex_2` for a one-dimensional table is "1".

Transition and cell table delay values must be 0.0 or greater. Propagation tables can contain negative delay values.

The `index_3` attribute is part of the functionality that supports three-dimensional tables.

char_config Group

Define the `char_config` group in the `timing` group to specify the characterization settings for timing-arc constraints.

Syntax

```
timing() {
  char_config() {
    /* characterization configuration attributes */
  }
}
```

Simple Attributes

```
three_state_disable_measurement_method
three_state_disable_current_threshold_abs
three_state_disable_current_threshold_rel
three_state_disable_monitor_node
three_state_cap_add_to_load_index
ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_delay_tolerance_rel
ccs_timing_voltage_margin_tolerance_rel
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance1_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
receiver_capacitance2_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_lower_threshold_pct_fall
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_rise
capacitance_voltage_upper_threshold_pct_fall
```

Complex Attributes

```
driver_waveform
driver_waveform_rise
driver_waveform_fall
input_stimulus_transition
input_stimulus_interval
unrelated_output_net_capacitance
default_value_selection_method
```

```
default_value_selection_method_rise
default_value_selection_method_fall
merge_tolerance_abs
merge_tolerance_rel
merge_selection
```

Example

```
timing() {
    char_config() {
        driver_waveform_rise(constraint,
input_driver_rise);
        driver_waveform_fall(constraint,
input_driver_fall);
        ccs_timing_segment_voltage_tolerance_rel: 2.0
    ;
    }
}
```

For more information about the `char_config` group and the group attributes, see [“char_config Group”](#).

`compact_ccs_retain_rise` and `compact_ccs_retain_fall` Groups

The `compact_ccs_retain_rise` and `compact_ccs_retain_fall` groups are provided in the timing group for compact CCS retain arcs.

Syntax

```
pin(pin_name) {
    direction : string;
    capacitance : float;
    timing() {
        compact_ccs_retain_rise (template_name) {
            base_curves_group : "base_curves_name";
            index_1 ("float..., float");
            index_2 ("float..., float");

            index_3 ("string..., string");
            values ("..."...)
        }
    }
}
```

`compact_ccs_rise` and `compact_ccs_fall` Groups

The `compact_ccs_rise` and `compact_ccs_fall` groups define the compact CCS timing data in the timing arc.

Syntax

```
compact_ccs_rise (template_name) {
compact_ccs_fall (template_name) {
```

Example

```
timing() {
compact_ccs_rise (LTT3) {
base_curves_group : "ctbct1" ;
values ("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \
"0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \
"0.2, 0.6, 0.7, 0.9, 3, 2", \
"0.25, 0.65, 0.75, 0.95, 4, 1");
}
compact_ccs_fall (LTT3) {
values ("-0.12, -0.51, 0.61, 0.82, 1, 2", \
"-0.15, -0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 1, 4", \
"-0.24, -0.67, 0.76, 0.95, 3, 4", \
"-0.25, -0.65, 0.75, 0.95, 3, 1");
}
}
```

Simple Attribute

```
base_curves_group
```

Complex Attribute

```
values
```

base_curves_group Simple Attribute

The `base_curves_group` attribute is optional at this level when `base_curves_name` is the same as that defined in the `compact_lut_template` that is being referenced by the `compact_ccs_rise` or `compact_ccs_fall` group.

Syntax

```
base_curves_group : "base_curves_name" ;
```

Example

```
base_curves_group : "ctbct1" ;
```

values Complex Attribute

The `values` attribute defines the compact CCS timing data values. The values are determined by the `index_3` values.

Syntax

```
values ("float, float, ...", "float, float,
...");
```

Example

```
values ("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \  
       "0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \  
       "0.2, 0.6, 0.7, 0.9, 3, 2", \  
       "0.25, 0.65, 0.75, 0.95, 4, 1");
```

fall_constraint Group

With the `rise_constraint` group, the `fall_constraint` group defines timing constraints (cell delay lookup tables) sensitive to clock or data input transition times. These constraint tables take the place of the `intrinsic_rise` and `intrinsic_fall` attributes used in other delay models.

The `fall_constraint` group is defined in a `timing` group, as shown here:

```
library (name_string)  
{  
  cell (name_string)  
  {  
    pin (name_string)  
    {  
      timing () {  
        fall_constraint (name_string){  
          ... fall constraint description..  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");  
index_2 ("float, ..., float");  
index_3 ("float, ..., float");  
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float  
");
```

Group

```
domain
```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```

fall_constraint(constraint_template) {
    values ("0.0, 0.14, 0.20", \
           "0.22, 0.24, 0.42", \
           "0.34, 0.38, 0.51");
}
...

rise_constraint(constraint_template) {
    values ("0.0, 0.13, 0.19", \
           "0.21, 0.23, 0.41", \
           "0.33, 0.37, 0.50");
}

```

[Example 3-13](#) shows constraints in a timing model.

fall_propagation Group

With the `rise_propagation` group, the `fall_propagation` group specifies transition delay as a term in the total cell delay.

The `fall_propagation` group is defined in the `timing` group, as shown here.

```

library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                fall_propagation (name_string){
                    ... fall propagation description...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float
");

```

Group

```

domain

```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```
fall_propagation (prop_template) {
    values ("0.02, 0.15", "0.12, 0.30") ;
}
rise_propagation (prop_template) {
    values ("0.04, 0.20", "0.17, 0.35") ;
}
```

fall_transition Group

The `fall_transition` group is defined in the `timing` group, as shown here:

```
library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                fall_transition (name_string){
                    ... values description...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float
");

intermediate_values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float,
...,float");
```

Note:

As an option, you can use the `intermediate_values` table

attribute to specify the transition from the first slew point to the output delay threshold. The `intermediate_values` table attribute has to use the same format as the `table` attribute.

Group

`domain`

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```
fall_transition(tran_template) {
    values ("0.01, 0.11, 0.18, 0.40");
}
```

noise_immunity_above_high Group

Use this optional group to describe a noise immunity curve when the input is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

You define the `noise_immunity_above_high` group in a `timing` group, as shown here:

```
library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                noise_immunity_above_high (template_name_string) {
                    ... values description...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

template_name

The name of a `noise_lut_template` group or a `poly_template` group.

Complex Attributes

```
coefs /* scalable polynomial only */
orders /* scalable polynomial only */
```



```
values /* lookup table only */
```

Group

```
domain /* scalable polynomial only */
```

coefs Complex Attribute

Use the `coefs` attribute to specify a list of the coefficients you use in a polynomial to characterize noise immunity information. This attribute is required in the `noise_immunity_above_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model. The coefficients are represented in the `.lib` file and saved in the database in column-first order. If any term is missing in the polynomial, you must insert a 0 (zero) in the corresponding position in the `coefs` attribute to ensure correct processing of the coefficients.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, the `coefs` attribute must be defined inside the `domain` group inside the `noise_immunity_above_high` group that defines the range of coefficients.

Syntax

```
pin (input_pin_name)
{
  timing () {
    noise_immunity_above_high (poly_template_namestring){
      coefs("float,
    ..., float")
    }
  }
  ...
}
```

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order for the variables for the polynomial to characterize noise immunity information. This attribute is required in the `noise_immunity_above_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `orders` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `noise_immunity_above_high` group.

Syntax

```

pin (input_pin_name)
{
    timing () {
        noise_immunity_above_high (poly_template_name_string){
            orders("integer, ..., integer")
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

Example

```

pin (Z) {
    timing () {
        noise_immunity_above_high (){
            orders("2, 1, 1") ;
            coefs ("1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0. 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0,
                10.0, 11.0, 12.0") ;
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

noise_immunity_below_low Group

Use this optional group to describe a noise immunity curve when the input is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

For information about the `noise_immunity_below_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“noise_immunity_above_high Group”](#).

noise_immunity_high Group

Use this optional group to describe a noise immunity curve when the input is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

For information about the `noise_immunity_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“noise_immunity_above_high Group”](#).

noise_immunity_low Group

Use this optional group to describe a noise immunity curve when the input is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

For information about the `noise_immunity_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“noise_immunity_above_high Group”](#).

output_current_fall Group

Use the `output_current_fall` and the `output_current_rise` groups to specify the output current for a nonlinear lookup table model.

The `output_current_fall` group is defined in the `timing` group, as shown here.

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        output_current_fall (name_string){
          ... description ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Groups

`vector`

vector Group

Use the `vector` group to store information about the input slew and output load.

The `vector` group is defined in the `output_current_fall` group, as shown here.

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        output_current_fall (name_string){
          vector () {
            ... description ...
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Simple Attribute

reference_time

reference_time Simple Attribute

Use the `reference_time` attribute to specify the time at which the input waveform crosses the rising or falling input delay threshold.

The `reference_time` attribute is defined in the `vector` group, as shown here.

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        output_current_fall (name_string){
          vector () {
            reference_time ;;
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Example

```
timing () {
  output_current_rise () {
    vector (CCT) {
      reference_time : 0.05 ;
      index_1 (0.1) ;
      index_1 (1.1) ;
      index_1 (1, 3, 3, 4, 5) ;
      values ( 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.2, 1.4) ;
    }
  }
}
```

output_current_rise Group

For information about using the `output_current_rise` group, see the definition of the [“output_current_fall Group”](#).

propagated_noise_height_above_high Group

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

You define the `propagated_noise_above_high` group in a timing group, as shown here:

```
...
timing () {
    propagated_noise_height_above_high (template_namestring){
        ... values description...
    }
}
```

template_name

The name of a `propagation_lut_template` group or a `poly_template` group.

Complex Attributes

```
coefs /* scalable polynomial only */
orders /* scalable polynomial only */
values /* lookup table only */
```

Group

```
domain /* scalable polynomial only */
```

coefs Complex Attribute

Use the `coefs` attribute to specify a list of the coefficients you use in a polynomial to characterize propagated noise information. This attribute is required in the `propagated_noise_height_above_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model. The coefficients are represented in the `.lib` file and saved in the database in column-first order. If any term is missing in the polynomial, you must insert a 0 (zero) in the corresponding position in the `coefs` attribute to ensure correct processing of the coefficients.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `coefs` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `propagated_noise_height_above_high` group that defines the range of coefficients.

Syntax

```
pin (input_pin_nameid)
{
    timing () {
        propagated_noise_height_above_high \
            (poly_template_nameid){
            coefs("float, ..., float")
        }
    }
}
```

```

    }
  }
  ...
}

```

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order of the variables for the polynomial to characterize noise immunity information. This attribute is required in the `propagated_noise_height_above_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model. For a piecewise polynomial, the `orders` attribute should be used inside the `domain` group inside the `propagated_noise_height_above_high` group.

Syntax

```

pin (input_pin_name)
{
  timing () {
    propagated_noise_height_above_high \
      (poly_template_name_string){
        orders("integer, ..., integer")
      }
  }
  ...
}

```

Example

```

pin (Z) {
  timing () {
    orders("2, 1, 1") ;
    coefs ("1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0,
          10.0, 11.0, 12.0") ;
  }
  ...
}

```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

propagated_noise_height_below_low Group

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_height_below_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_height_high Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_height_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_height_low Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_height_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_above_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_below_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_peak_time_ratio_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_width_above_high Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is over the high voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_width_above_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_width_below_low Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is below the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_width_below_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_width_high Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is high and the noise is below the high voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_width_high` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[propagated_noise_width_low Group](#)

Use this group to describe noise propagation through a cell when the input is low and the noise is over the low voltage rail.

For information about the `propagated_noise_width_low` group syntax and attributes, see [“propagated_noise_height_above_high Group”](#).

[receiver_capacitance1_fall Group](#)

You can define the `receiver_capacitance1_fall` group at the pin level and at the timing level. Define the `receiver_capacitance1_fall` group at the timing level to specify receiver capacitance for a timing arc. For information about using the group at the pin level, see [“receiver_capacitance1_fall Group”](#).

Syntax

```
receiver_capacitance1_fall (value) {
```

Complex Attribute

```
values
```

Example

```
timing() {  
    ...  
    receiver_capacitance1_fall () {  
        values ("2.0, 4.0, 1.0, 3.0") ;  
    }  
}
```

[receiver_capacitance1_rise Group](#)

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance1_rise` group, see the description of the [receiver_capacitance1_fall Group](#).

[receiver_capacitance2_fall Group](#)

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance2_fall` group, see the description of [receiver_capacitance1_fall Group](#).

[receiver_capacitance2_rise Group](#)

For information about using the `receiver_capacitance2_rise` group, see the description of the [receiver_capacitance1_fall Group](#).

[retaining_fall Group](#)

The `retaining_fall` group specifies the length of time the output port retains its current logical value of 1 after the output port's corresponding input port's value has changed.

This attribute is used only with nonlinear delay models.

Note:

The same k-factors that scale the `cell_fall` and `cell_rise` values also scale the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values. There are no separate k-factors for the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values.

[Syntax](#)

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        retaining_fall (name_string){
          ... retaining fall description ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

[Complex Attributes](#)

```
index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", "float, ...,float" , "float, ...,float
");
```

Group

domain

domain Group

For information about the domain group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```
retaining_rise (retaining_table_template) {
    values ("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28") ;
}
retaining_fall (retaining_table_template) {
    values ("0.01, 0.30", "0.12, 0.18") ;
}
```

retaining_rise Group

The `retaining_rise` group specifies the length of time an output port retains its current logical value of 0 after the output port's corresponding input port's value has changed.

This attribute is used only with nonlinear delay models.

Note:

The same k-factors that scale the `cell_fall` and `cell_rise` values also scale the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values. There are no separate k-factors for the `retaining_fall` and `retaining_rise` values.

Syntax

```
library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                retaining_rise (name_string) {
                    ... retaining rise description ...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", "float, ...,float", "float,
...,float");

```

Group

domain

domain Group

For information about the domain group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```

retaining_rise (retaining_table_template) {
    values ("0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28") ;
}
retaining_fall (retaining_table_template) {
    values ("0.01, 0.30", "0.12, 0.18") ;
}

```

retain_fall_slew Group

Use this group in the timing group to define a slew table associated with the retaining_fall delay. The slew table describes the rate of decay of the output logic value.

Syntax

```

retain_fall_slew (retaining_time_templatestring)
{
    values (index1float, index2float, index3float) ;
}
retain_fall_slew (retaining_time_templatestring)
{
    orders("variable1"integer, variable2"integer) ;
    coefs("coefficient_1"float,
..., coefficient_n"float)
    variable_n_range(float, float) ;
}

retaining_time_template

```

Name of the table template to use for the lookup table.

index1, index2, index3

Values to use for indexing the lookup table.

variable1, variable2

The orders of the variables for the polynomial.

coefficient_1, ..., coefficient_n

Specifies the coefficients used in the polynomial to characterize timing information.

Examples

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        direction : output :
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            related_pin : "related_pin" ;
            ...
            retaining_fall (retaining_table_template)
        {
            values ( "0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28")
        }
        ;
        ...
        retain_fall_slew (retaining_time_template)
    {
        values ( "0.01, 0.02" ) ;
    }
        ...
    }
}
}
```

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        direction : output :
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            related_pin : "related_pin" ;
            ...
            retaining_fall (retaining_table_template)
        {

```

```

        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.2407, 3.1568, 0.0129, 0.0143")
;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    ...
    retain_fall_slew (retaining_time_template)
{
    orders ("1, 1");
    coefs ("0.2407, 3.1568, 0.0129, 0.0143")
;
    variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
    variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
}
    ...
}
}
}

```

retain_rise_slew Group

Use this group in the `timing` group to define a slew table associated with the `retaining_rise` delay. The slew table describes the rate of decay of the output logic value.

Syntax

```

retain_rise_slew (retaining_time_templatestring)
{
    values(index1float, index2float, index3float) ;
}
retain_rise_slew (retaining_time_templatestring)
{
    orders("variable1integer, variable2integer");
    coefs("coefficient_1float,
..., coefficient_nfloat")
    variable_n_range(float, float) ;
}

```

retaining_time_template

Name of the table template to use for the lookup table.

*index1*_{float}, *index2*_{float}, *index3*_{float}

Values to use for indexing the lookup table.

variable1, *variable2*

The orders of the variables for the polynomial.

*coefficient_1*_{float}, ..., *coefficient_n*_{float}

Specifies the coefficients used in the polynomial to characterize timing information.

Examples

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        direction : output :
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            related_pin : "related_pin"
            ...
            retaining_rise (retaining_table_template)
        {
            values ( "0.00, 0.23", "0.11, 0.28")
        }
        ;
        ...
        retain_rise_slew (retaining_time_template)
    {
        values ( "0.01, 0.02" ) ;
    }
    ...
    }
}
}
```

```
cell (cell_name) {
    ...
    pin (pin_name) {
        direction : output :
        ...
        timing ( ) {
            related_pin : "related_pin"
            ...
            retaining_rise (retaining_table_template)
        {
            orders ("1, 1");
            coefs ("0.2407, 3.1568, 0.0129, 0.0143")
        }
        ;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    ...
    retain_rise_slew (retaining_time_template)
    {

```

```

        orders ("1, 1");
        coefs ("0.2407, 3.1568, 0.0129, 0.0143")
;
        variable_1_range (0.01, 3.00);
        variable_2_range (0.01, 3.00);
    }
    ...
}
}
}
}

```

rise_constraint Group

With the `fall_constraint` group, the `rise_constraint` group defines timing constraints (cell delay lookup tables) sensitive to clock or data input transition times. These constraint tables take the place of the `intrinsic_rise` and `intrinsic_fall` attributes used in the other delay models.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                rise_constraint (name_string) {
                    ... values description...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float");

```

Group

domain

domain Group

For information about the domain group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```
rise_constraint(constraint_template) {
    values ("0.0, 0.13, 0.19", \
           "0.21, 0.23, 0.41", \
           "0.33, 0.37, 0.50");
}
```

[Example 3-13](#) shows constraints in a timing model.

Example 3-13 CMOS Nonlinear Timing Model Using Constraints

```
library( vendor_b ) {
    /* 1. Use delay lookup table */
    delay_model : table_lookup;
    /* 2. Define template of size 3 x 3*/
    lu_table_template(constraint_template) {
        variable_1 : constrained_pin_transition;
        variable_2 : related_pin_transition;
        index_1 ("0.0, 0.5, 1.5");
        index_2 ("0.0, 2.0, 4.0");
    }
    ...
    cell(dff) {
        pin(d) {
            direction: input;
            timing( "t1" | "t1", "t2", "t3" ) {
                related_pin : "clk";
                timing_type : setup_rising;
                ...
            }
            /* Inherit the 'constraint_template' template
            */
            rise_constraint(constraint_template)
        {
            /* Specify all the values */
            values ("0.0, 0.13, 0.19", \
                  "0.21, 0.23, 0.41", \
                  "0.33, 0.37,
0.50");
        }
        fall_constraint(constraint_template)
        {
            values ("0.0, 0.14, 0.20", \
                  "0.22, 0.24, 0.42", \

```



```

                                "0.34, 0.38,
0.51");
                                }
                                }
                                }
                                }
}

```

rise_propagation Group

With the `fall_propagation` group, the `rise_propagation` group specifies transition delay as a term in the total cell delay.

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        rise_propagation (name_string){
          ... rise propagation description ...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float
");

```

Group

```
domain
```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Example

```

fall_propagation (prop_template) {
    values("0.00, 0.21", "0.14, 0.38") ;
}
rise_propagation (prop_template) {
    values("0.05, 0.25", "0.15, 0.48") ;
}

```

rise_transition Group

The `rise_transition` group is defined in the timing group, as shown here:

```

library (name_string)
{
    cell (name_string)
    {
        pin (name_string)
        {
            timing () {
                rise_transition (name_string){
                    ... rise transition description ...
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

index_1 ("float, ..., float");
index_2 ("float, ..., float");
index_3 ("float, ..., float");
values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float, ..., float
");

intermediate_values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float,
...,float");

```

Note:

Optionally, you can use the `intermediate_values` table attribute to specify the transition from the first slew point to the output delay threshold. The `intermediate_values` table attribute has to use the same format as the table attribute.

Group

```

domain

```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the description in the [“domain Group”](#).

Examples

```
rise_transition(tran_template) {
  values ("0.01, 0.08, 0.15, 0.40");
}
```

```
fall_transition(tran_template) {
  values ("0.01, 0.11, 0.18, 0.40");
}
```

steady_state_current_high Group

This optional group defines the current-voltage (I-V) characteristic for a cell timing arc by holding the output signal high.

You define the `steady_state_current_high` group in a timing group, as shown here:

```
library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    pin (name_string)
    {
      timing () {
        steady_state_current_high (template_name_string){
          ... values description...
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

template_name

The name of an `iv_lut_template` group or a `poly_template` group.

Complex Attributes

```
coefs /* scalable polynomial only */
orders /* scalable polynomial only */
values /* lookup table only */
```

Group

```
domain /* scalable polynomial only */
```

coefs Complex Attribute

Use the `coefs` attribute to specify a list of the coefficients you use in a polynomial to characterize steady-state current information. This attribute is required in the `steady_state_current_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model. The coefficients are represented in the `.lib` file and saved in the database in column-first order. If any term is missing in the polynomial, you must insert a 0 (zero) in the corresponding position in the `coefs` attribute to ensure correct processing of the coefficients.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `coefs` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `steady_state_current_high` group that defines the range of coefficients.

Syntax

```
pin (output_pin_name)
{
    timing () {
        steady_state_current_high (poly_template_string){
            coefs("float,
..., float")
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

orders Complex Attribute

Use the `orders` attribute to specify the order of the variables for the polynomial to characterize steady state current information. This attribute is required in the `steady_state_current_high` group when you specify a scalable polynomial model.

Note:

For a piecewise polynomial, define the `orders` attribute inside the `domain` group inside the `steady_state_current_high` group.

Syntax

```
pin (output_pin_name)
{
    timing () {
```

```

        steady_state_current_high (poly_template_namestring){
            orders("integer, ..., integer")
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

Example

```

pin (Z) {
    timing () {
        orders("2, 1, 1") ;
        coefs ("1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0. 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0,
              10.0, 11.0, 12.0") ;
        variable_n_range
    }
    ...
}

```

Syntax

```

pin (output_pin_name)
{
    timing () {
        steady_state_current_high (lut_table_templatestring){
            orders("integer, ..., integer")
            coefs("float,
                ..., float")
            values (integer, integer) ;
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

Example

```

pin (Z) {
    timing () {
        steady_state_current_high (){
            values ("2, 1.8, ...-0.8") ;
        }
    }
    ...
}

```

domain Group

For information about the `domain` group syntax and usage, see the

description in the [“domain Group”](#).

steady_state_current_low Group

This optional group defines the current-voltage (I-V) characteristic for a cell timing arc by holding the output signal low.

Complex Attribute

```
coefs
orders
values
```

```
intermediate_values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float,
...,float");
```

Note:

Optionally, you can use the `intermediate_values` table attribute to specify the transition from the first slew point to the output delay threshold. The `intermediate_values` table attribute has to use the same format as the `table` attribute.

Group

```
domain
```

For information about the `steady_state_current_tristate` group syntax and attributes, see [“steady_state_current_high Group”](#).

steady_state_current_tristate Group

This optional group defines the current-voltage (I-V) characteristic for tri-state timing arcs.

Complex Attributes

```
coefs
orders
values
```

```
intermediate_values ("float, ..., float", ..., "float,
...,float");
```

Note:

Optionally, you can use the `intermediate_values` table attribute to specify the transition from the first slew point to the output delay threshold. The `intermediate_values` table attribute has to use the same format as the `table` attribute.

Group

domain

For information about the `steady_state_current_tristate` group syntax and attributes, see [“steady_state_current_high Group”](#).

pin_based_variation Group

The `pin_based_variation` group is similar to the `timing_based_variation` group in that it specifies the rising and falling output transitions for variation parameters (by the `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups) and specifies variation-aware receiver capacitance information. If a receiver capacitance group exists in a pin group, the variation-aware CCS receiver model groups, such as the following, are required in the `pin_based_variation` group.

- `va_receiver_capacitance1_rise`
- `va_receiver_capacitance1_fall`
- `va_receiver_capacitance2_rise`
- `va_receiver_capacitance2_fall`

See Also

[timing_based_variation Group](#)

Syntax

```
pin(pin_name)
...
pin_based_variation(){
  va_parameters (string,
...);
  nominal_va_values (float, ...);
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (template_name)
{
  va_values (float, ...);
  values ("float, ...", ...);
...}
  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (template_name)
{
  ...}
  va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (template_name)
{
  ...}
  va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (template_name)
{
```

```
    ...}  
}
```

Example

```
pin_based_variation(){  
  va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage) ;  
  nominal_va_values (0.5, 0.5) ;  
  va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {  
    va_values (0.50, 0.45) ;  
    values ("0.29, 0.30, 0.31") ;  
  }  
  ...  
  va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {  
    va_values (0.50, 0.45) ;  
  }  
  ...  
  va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {  
    va_values (0.50, 0.45) ;  
  }  
  ...  
  va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {  
    va_values (0.50, 0.45) ;  
  }  
  ...}  
}
```

Complex Attributes

va_parameters
nominal_va_values

For information about the `va_parameters` and `nominal_va_values` attributes, see [“va_parameters Complex Attribute”](#) and [“nominal_va_values Complex Attribute”](#).

Groups

va_receiver_capacitance1_rise
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall
va_compact_ccs_rise
va_compact_ccs_fall

For information about the `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups, see [“va_compact_ccs_rise and va_compact_ccs_fall Groups”](#).

Variation-Aware CCS Receiver Model Groups

The following variation-aware CCS receiver model groups specify characterization corners with variation values in `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation` groups:

- `va_receiver_capacitance1_rise`

- va_receiver_capacitance1_fall
- va_receiver_capacitance2_rise
- va_receiver_capacitance2_fall

Syntax

```

va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (template_name)
{
    va_values (float, ...);
    values ("float, ...", ...);
    ...}
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (template_name)
{
    ...}
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (template_name)
{
    ...}
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (template_name)
{

```

Example

```

pin_based_variation(){
    va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage);
    nominal_va_values (0.5, 0.5);
    va_receiver_capacitance1_rise (LUT3) {
        va_values (0.50, 0.45);
        values ("0.29, 0.30, 0.31");
    }
    ...
    va_receiver_capacitance2_rise (LUT3) {
        va_values (0.50, 0.45);
    }
    ...
    va_receiver_capacitance1_fall (LUT3) {
        va_values (0.50, 0.45);
    }
    ...
    va_receiver_capacitance2_fall (LUT3) {
        va_values (0.50, 0.45);
    }
    ...}
}

```

Complex Attributes

va_values
values

For information about the `va_values` and `values` attributes, see [“va_values Complex Attribute”](#) and [“values Complex Attribute”](#).

timing_based_variation Group

The `timing_based_variation` group is similar to the `pin_based_variation` group

in that it specifies variation-aware receiver capacitance information (but in a timing group rather than in a pin group), and it specifies the rising and falling output transitions for variation parameters. The rising and falling output transitions are specified in the `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups, respectively.

The following information applies to the `timing_based_variation` group:

- The `va_compact_ccs_rise` group is required only if a `compact_ccs_rise` group exists within a timing group.
- The `va_compact_ccs_fall` group is required only if a `compact_ccs_fall` group exists within a timing group.

[See Also](#)

[pin_based_variation Group](#)

Syntax

```
timing()
...
timing_based_variation({
    va_parameters (string,
...);
    nominal_va_values (float, ...);
    va_compact_ccs_rise (template_name)
{
    va_values (float, ...);
    values ("float, ...", ...);
}
...
}
```

Example

```
timing_based_variation()
va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage);
nominal_va_values (0.50, 0.50);
va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4) {
    va_values (0.50, 0.45);
    values ("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \
           "0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \
           ...);
}
...
}
```

Complex Attributes

```
va_parameters
nominal_va_values
```

Groups

va_compact_ccs_rise
va_compact_ccs_fall
va_receiver_capacitance1_rise
va_receiver_capacitance1_fall
va_receiver_capacitance2_rise
va_receiver_capacitance2_fall
va_rise_constraint
va_fall_constraint

For information about the variation-aware CCS receiver model groups (such as `va_receiver_capacitance1_rise`), see [“Variation-Aware CCS Receiver Model Groups”](#).

va_parameters Complex Attribute

The `va_parameters` attribute specifies a list of variation parameters within the `timing_based_variation` or `pin_based_variation` groups. The following information applies to the `va_parameters` attribute:

- One or more variation parameters is allowed.
- The variation parameters are represented by a string.
- All `va_parameters` values must be unique.
- The `va_parameters` attribute must be defined before it is referenced by `nominal_va_values` and `va_values`.

The `va_parameters` attribute can be specified within a variation group or at the library level. (The variation groups include `timing_based_variation` and `pin_based_variation`.)

- If `va_parameters` is specified at the library level, all cells under the library default to the same variation parameters.
- If `va_parameters` is defined in a variation group, all `va_values` and `nominal_va_values` attribute values under the same variation group refer to `va_parameters`.

The `va_parameters` values can be parameters that are user-defined or predefined. The parameters defined in `default_operating_conditions` are process, temperature, and voltage.

The voltage names are defined using the `voltage_map` complex attribute. For more information about the `voltage_map` attribute, see [“voltage_map Complex Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```
va_parameters (string, ... ) ;
```

Example

```
timing_based_variation()  
    va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage) ;
```

nominal_va_values Complex Attribute

The `nominal_va_values` attribute characterizes nominal values for all variation

parameters. The following information applies to the `nominal_va_values` attribute.

- The attribute is required for every `timing_based_variation` group.
- The `nominal_va_values` attribute values map one-to-one to the corresponding `va_parameters` values.
- If the nominal compact CCS driver and the variation-aware compact CCS driver model groups are defined under the same timing group, the `nominal_va_values` values are applied to the nominal compact CCS driver and the variation-aware compact CCS driver groups.

Syntax

```
nominal_va_values (float, ...);
```

Example

```
timing_based_variation()  
  va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage)  
  nominal_va_values (0.50, 0.50);
```

`va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` Groups

The `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups specify characterization corners with variation parameter values. The following information applies to the `va_compact_ccs_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_fall` groups.

- The groups can be specified under different `timing_based_variation` groups if they cannot share the same `va_parameters`.
- The `template_name` value refers to the `compact_lut_template` group.
- You must characterize two corners at each side of the nominal value for all variation parameters specified in `va_parameters`. When corners are characterized for one of the parameters, all other variations are assumed to be nominal values. Therefore, for a `timing_based_variation` group with n variation parameters exactly $2n$ characterization corners are required.

Syntax

```
va_compact_ccs_rise (template_name)  
{  
  va_compact_ccs_fall (template_name)  
}
```

Example

```
timing_based_variation()  
  va_parameters (channel_length, threshold_voltage);  
  nominal_va_values (0.50, 0.50);  
  va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4) {  
    va_values (0.50, 0.45);  
    values ("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \  
           "0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \  
           ...);  
  }
```

```

...
}
va_compact_ccs_fall (LUT4x4) {
  values ("- 0.1, -0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \
    "-0.15, -0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \
    "...");
}

```

Complex Attributes

```

va_values
values

```

va_compact_ccs_retain_rise and va_compact_ccs_retain_fall Groups

The `va_compact_ccs_retain_rise` and `va_compact_ccs_retain_fall` groups in the `timing_based_variation` group specify characterization corners with variation value parameters for retain arcs.

Syntax

```

pin(pin_name) {
  direction : string;
  capacitance : float;
  timing() {
    compact_ccs_rise(template_name) { ... }
    compact_ccs_fall(template_name) { ... }
    timing_based_variation() {
      va_parameters(string , ... );
      nominal_va_values(float,...);
      va_compact_ccs_retain_rise(template_name)
    {
      va_values(float, ...);
      values ("...,float, ...,integer,...", ...);
    }
    ...
    va_compact_ccs_retain_fall(template_name)
  {
    va_values(float, ...);
    values ("...,float, ...,integer,...", ...);
  }
  ...
}

```

va_values Complex Attribute

The `va_values` attribute defines the values of each variation parameter for all corners characterized in the variation-aware compact CCS driver and receiver model groups, such as the following groups:

- `va_compact_ccs_rise`
- `va_compact_ccs_fall`
- `va_receiver_capacitancel_rise`

- va_receiver_capacitance1_fall
- va_receiver_capacitance2_rise
- va_receiver_capacitance2_fall

Syntax

```
va_values (float, ...);
```

Example

```
va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4) {
  va_values (0.50, 0.45);
```

values Complex Attribute

The `values` attribute follows the same rules as the nominal compact CCS driver model groups (such as `compact_ccs_rise` and `compact_ccs_fall`) with the following exceptions:

- `left_id` and `right_id` are optional.
- The `left_id` and `right_id` values must be represented in a pair; they can either be omitted or included in the `compact_lut_template`.
- If `left_id` and `right_id` are not defined in the variation-aware compact CCS driver groups, the values default to the values defined in the nominal compact CCS driver model groups. For more information, see [“compact_ccs_rise and compact_ccs_fall Groups”](#).

Syntax

```
values ("...", float, ..., integer, ..., "...");
```

Example

```
va_compact_ccs_rise (LUT4x4) {
  va_values (0.50, 0.45);
  values ("0.1, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 3", \
         "0.15, 0.55, 0.65, 0.85, 2, 4", \
         "...");
}
```

va_rise_constraint and va_fall_constraint Groups

The `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups specify characterization corners with variation values in the `timing_based_variation` group. The attributes under these groups undergo screening and checking in the same way as the nominal timing constraint models. The following information applies to the `va_rise_constraint` and `va_fall_constraint` groups.

- All variation-aware constraint groups in the `timing_based_variation` group share the same parameters.
- Both groups can be specified under different `timing_based_variation` groups if they cannot share the same `va_parameters`.

- The `template_name` value refers to the `lu_table_template` group.

Syntax

```

va_rise_constraint (template_name)
{
  va_values (float, ...);
  values ("float, ...");
  ...}
va_fall_constraint (template_name)
{
  ...}
...}

```

Example

```

va_rise_constraint (LUT5x5) {
  va_values (0.50, 0.45);
  values ("-0.1452, -0.1452, -0.1452, -0.1452,
  ...");
}
...
va_fall_constraint (LUT5x5) {
  va_values (0.55, 0.50);
  ...
}

```

Complex Attribute

`va_values`

For information about the `va_values` attribute, see [“va_values Complex Attribute”](#).

3.2.17 *tlatch* Group

In timing analysis, use a `tlatch` group to describe the relationship between the data pin and the enable pin on a transparent level-sensitive latch.

You define the `tlatch` group in a `pin` group, but it is only effective if you also define the `timing_model_type` attribute in the cell that the pin belongs to. For more information about the `timing_model_type` attribute, see [“timing_model_type Simple Attribute”](#).

Syntax

```

library (name_string)
{
  cell (name_string)
  {
    ...
    timing_model_type : value_enum;
    ....
  }
}

```

```

    pin (data_pin_name_string)
  {
    tlatch (enable_pin_name_string){
      ... tlatch description ...
    }
  }
}

```

Simple Attributes

```

edge_type
tdisable

```

edge_type Simple Attribute

Use the `edge_type` attribute to specify whether the latch is positive (high) transparent or negative (low) transparent.

Syntax

```

edge_type : name_id ;

```

name

Valid values are `rising` and `falling`.

Example

```

edge_type : rising ;

```

tdisable Simple Attribute

The `tdisable` attribute disables transparency in a latch. During path propagation, all data pin output pin arcs that reference a tlatch group whose `tdisable` attribute is set to true on an edge triggered flip flop are disabled and ignored..

Syntax

```

tdisable : value_Boolean

```

value

The valid values are TRUE and FALSE. When set to FALSE, the latch is ignored.

Example

```

tdisable : FALSE ;

```


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