To simulate the circuit and generate PCB in eSim

1. Download eSim from here.

Creating a new project and adding Libraries:

- 1. Create a new project. Refer to <u>Spoken Tutorials</u> or <u>eSim manual</u> on how to create a project.
- 2. Make sure all the libraries are loaded. If the libraries are not loaded, add them using the 'Preferences' option. To add libraries:
 - In KiCad eeschema, click on the *Preferences* option from the top menu.
 - Select *Component Libraries* and click on the *ADD* button. It will be directed to the KiCad libraries.
 - Select All (*Ctrl*+*A*)and then press *OK*.

Opening the KiCad schematic file

Open the KiCad schematic file or Append the schematic. To append a schematic:

• In the KiCad eeschema page, click on the *File* option from the top menu. Select *Append Schematic Page* option. Select the converted KiCad schematic file and press *Open*.

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Once the schematic is loaded, you can go for PCB generation. Refer to the <u>Spoken Tutorials</u> on how to create PCB.

Simulation

For Simulation, there are two options:

- First option is to choose and replace the components from eSim libraries. Refer to the <u>Spoken Tutorials</u>.
- Second option is, you can change the component reference according to the Ngspice format.

Editing the references/designators

- 1. The Ngspice uses different designators/references based on whether the components are device model, subcircuit, linear or non linear dependent sources.
- 2. To edit a component:

- Place the cursor on the component. Right click and choose the *Edit Component* option .
- Choose reference and change it from *U* to the required reference.
- You can also use the shortcut key 'e' to edit a component.
- 3. The reference for device models. You have to change the reference U to (It is case insensitive)
 - i. D: Diode
 - ii. Q: BJT
 - iii. M: FET
 - iv. J: MOS

Refer to Ngspice manual or eSim libraries

- 4. Most of the ICs used are categorized as subcircuit. The reference for Subcircuit is *X*. You have to change the reference *U* to *X*. (It is case insensitive). For digital devices such as logic gates, shift registers and flip flops change the reference from *U* to *D*. (It is case insensitive).
- 5. For any linear or non linear dependent sources, change reference U to :
 - i. E: for VCVS (Voltage controlled voltage sources)
 - ii. F : CCCS
 - iii. G: VCCS
 - iv. H:CCVS

Plotting and adding the Global labels

- 1. To plot the output and input nodes, use components from eSim_sources.
- 2. You can use Global labels and text to name the nodes. Follow the <u>Spoken Tutorials</u> on how to simulate a circuit in eSim.