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Subject ISPD placement contest: Clarification on rotation and mirroring

Hello contestants,

Here are another clarifications.

1. Rotation and mirroring of objects

By now, you have noticed that directions of all objects are defined as "N" in PL file. Some people asked me if rotation/mirroring is possible on movable objects. In reality, some cells can be rotated/mirrored while others may not be. Right now in the translation of benchmarks, however, we haven't captured this information and it certainly is easier to disallow these operations. Therefore, **No rotation/mirroring is allowed during placement.**

2. Placement results on sample benchmarks won't be publicized.

The biggest purpose of this mock contest is to streamline the process, mostly in my part. Therefore, no results will be posted. By the way, if you were able to produce results on adaptec1 & adaptec3, you don't have to wait until Feb 6th. You can send them (gzipped solution PL files) to me by email.

3. Benchmarks (adaptec1 & adaptec3)

Somehow, if you haven't got these two sample benchmarks, please let me know as soon as possible. You're required to send placement solutions on these by Feb. 6th.

OK. Good luck folks, and as always, let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Regards,

Gi-Joon