

# Plotting Layouts

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Please do not waste plotter resources

Carefully review your design and plot dimensions before submitting plots to the plotter

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- In MAX, save a copy of your design as a GDS file
- In Ubuntu – traverse to the file folder with your file and select copy
- In Ununtu – traverse to the Ubuntu\_Windows\_Share folder and select paste
- You now have a copy of the GDS file available to Windows

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- In Windows – start GDS PLOT
  - Select GDSII File
    - Go to your Ubuntu\_Windows\_Share directory
    - Select your .gds file
    - Scan or rescan the file when asked
- Configure Options
  - Leave defaults
- Plot/Page Definitions
  - Select Scale or Fit (preferred)

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- Setup Plotter Parameters
  - Plot Setup
    - Select plotter type (RTL)
    - \\printers.ad.msoe.edu\MSOE Plotting
  - Page Setup
    - Default should be 24x36
    - Select Fit
- Setup Layer Fills and Colors
  - Load
  - Select your saved file – msoe25\_gds.map
  - **Save** – you must say save

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- Before Plotting
  - View GDSII Data
    - Inspect the design
- Start Plotting
- Send an email to the help desk
  - Ask them to release your plot
  - Be sure to tell them to put it in **CAD mode**
- Exit
- Pick up your plot in CC71

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- You can also select the regular printers
- There is a color printer in the Library
  - It costs \$0.30 / page
  - **Please use this for small plots**