# ctherm (Thermal Capacitance)

Associated Symbols:	ctherm	
License Requirements:	OPT_TEMPLATE_LIB	
Part Category:	Thermal Templates	
Related Topics:	Introduction to Thermal Templates Modeling Thermal Networks in Electrical Circuits	

## **Functional Description**

The **ctherm** template models a constant thermal capacitance across two thermal pins (th and tl). The stored heat energy (integral of power flow, the through variable) is proportional to the temperature difference between th and tl. The value of cth acts as a multiplier of this temperature difference.

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# **ctherm Connection Points**

Name	Туре	Description
th	thermal_c	higher temperature pin
tl	thermal_c	lower temperature pin



Thermal capacitance (ctherm)

# ctherm Symbol Properties

Property			
primitive	Description:	This symbol calls the template <b>ctherm</b> , which models a constant thermal capacitance across two thermal pins (th and tl). The stored heat energy (integral of power flow, the through variable) is proportional to the temperature difference between th and tl. The value of cth acts as a multiplier of this temperature difference.	
ref	Description:	Suffix appended to a template name that uniquely identifies a part in a schematic.	
	Default:	If not specified, will be assigned by the schematic capture tool	
	Example Input:	Can be any alpha-numeric string	
cth	Description:	Proportionality constant of thermal capacity.	
	Default (units):	0 (J/° C)	
	Example Input:	0.00587	
t_init	Description:	Initial temperature across the thermal pins: t_init=tc(th)-tc(tl)	
	Default (units):	undef °C	
	Example Input:	1	

### ctherm Post Processing Information

The variables in the following table are available for post-processing. You can specify them in a signal list or as arguments to the extract command.

Name	Туре	Units	Description
deltc	val tc	°C	temperature between pins th and tl
heat	val joule	J	<pre>stored thermal energy between th and tl: heat = cth.deltc</pre>

## ctherm Netlist Examples

ctherm.1 temp1 tc2 = cth=0.00587