

Annex A

Syntax

This annex contains the formal syntax definition of Verilog-AMS HDL. The conventions used are described in Section 1. Any category whose name begins with the italicized word *digital_* should be interpreted by its definition in the grammar given in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL Annex A*, and not by the local definition given herein. When such a category is defined herein (e.g., *digital_primary* ::=), that definition should be taken to supersede the definition in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* when used for Verilog-AMS HDL. If any category is defined here and also in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL*, it is a repetition of *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL*. This is done for the convenience of readers of this LRM.

The AMS annex A syntax has been reorganized into the 2001 annex A structure and color coding is used to identify any 2001 syntax. The syntax itself has not been modified. Duplicate 2001 syntax items are highlighted in blue. Updated or modified 2001 syntax items contain blue and black color coded syntax. Note, some 2001 syntax items have been used to define pure analog syntax (i.e. expression). Alternate AMS syntax item names are required.

A.1 Source text

A.1.1 Library source text

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.1.2 Configuration source text

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.1.3 Module and primitive source text

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
source_text ::=  
    {description}  
description ::=  
    module_declaration
```

```

| digital_udp_declaration
| discipline_definition
| nature_definition
| connect_specification
module_declaration ::=
  module_keyword module_identifier [ digital_list_of_ports ] ;
  [ module_items ]
endmodule

module_keyword ::=
  module
  | macromodule

connectmodule_declaration ::=
  connectmodule module_identifier ( connectmod_port , connectmod_port ) ;
  [ module_items ]
endmodule

connectmod_port ::=
  connectmod_port_identifier

```

A.1.4 Module parameters and ports

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.1.5 Module Items

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```

module_items ::=
  { module_item }
  | analog_block

module_item ::=
  module_item_declaration
  | parameter_override
  | module_instantiation
  | digital_continuous_assignment
  | digital_gate_instantiation
  | digital_udp_instantiation
  | digital_specify_block
  | digital_initial_construct
  | digital_always_construct

module_item_declaration ::=
  parameter_declaration
  | digital_input_declaration
  | digital_output_declaration
  | digital inout_declaration
  | ground_declaration
  | integer_declaration
  | real_declaration
  | net_discipline_declaration
  | genvar_declaration

```

```

| branch_declaration
| analog_function_declaration
| digital_function_declaration
| digital_net_declaration
| digital_reg_declaration
| digital_time_declaration
| digital_realtime_declaration
| digital_event_declaration
| digital_task_declaration
parameter_override ::= defparam list_of_param_assignments ;

```

A.1.6 Natures

```

nature_declaration ::= nature nature_name [ nature_descriptions ] endnature
nature_name ::= nature_identifier
| nature_identifier : parent_identifier
parent_identifier ::= nature_identifier
| discipline_identifier.flow
| discipline_identifier.potential
nature_descriptions ::= nature_description { nature_description }
nature_description ::= attribute = constant_expression ;
attribute ::= abstol
| access
| ddt_nature
| idt_nature
| units
| attribute_identifier

```

A.1.7 Disciplines

```

discipline_declaration ::= discipline discipline_identifier [ discipline_descriptions ] enddiscipline
discipline_descriptions ::= discipline_description { discipline_description }
discipline_description ::= nature_binding
| attr_override
| domain_binding

```

```

nature_binding ::= 
    pot_or_flow nature_identifier ;
attr_override ::= 
    pot_or_flow . attribute_identifier = constant_expression ;
pot_or_flow ::= 
    potential
    | flow
domain_binding ::= 
    domain discrete
    | domain continuous

```

A.1.8 Connectrule Specifications

```

connect_specification ::= 
    connectrules connectrule_identifier ;
    {connect_spec_item}
    endconnectrules
connect_spec_item ::= 
    connect_insertion
    | connect_resolution
connect_insertion ::= 
    connect connect_module_identifier connect_attributes
    [ [ direction ] discipline_identifier , [ direction ] discipline_identifier ] ;
connect_attributes ::= 
    [ connect_mode ] [ #( attribute_list ) ]
connect_mode ::= 
    merge
    | split
attribute_list ::= 
    attribute
    | attribute_list , attribute
attribute ::= 
    .parameter_identifier ( expression )
direction ::= 
    input
    | output
    | inout
discipline_list ::= 
    discipline_identifier
    | discipline_list , discipline_identifier
connect_resolution ::= 
    connect discipline_list resolveto discipline_identifier ;
discipline_list ::= 
    discipline_identifier
    | discipline_list , discipline_identifier

```

A.2 Declarations

A.2.1 Declaration types

A.2.1.1 Module parameter declarations

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
parameter_declaration ::=  
    parameter [opt_type] list_of_param_assignments ;  
opt_type ::=  
    real  
    | integer  
declarator_init ::=  
    parameter_identifier = constant_expression { opt_value_range }  
    | parameter_array_identifier range = constant_param_arrayinit { opt_value_range }  
opt_value_range ::=  
    from value_range_specifier  
    | exclude value_range_specifier  
    | exclude value_constant_expression  
value_rangeSpecifier ::=  
    start_range_spec expression1 : expression2 end_range_spec  
value_rangeSpecifier ::=  
    start_paren expression1 : expression2 end_paren  
start_paren ::=  
    [ | ( |  
end_paren ::=  
    ] | )  
expression1 ::=  
    constant_expression | -inf  
expression2 ::=  
    constant_expression | inf  
constant_param_arrayinit ::=  
    { param_arrayinit_element_list }  
param_arrayinit_element_list  
    param_arrayinit_element { , param_arrayinit_element }  
param_arrayinit_element ::=  
    constant_expression  
    | { replicator_constant_expression {constant_expression} }
```

A.2.1.2 Port declarations

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.1.3 Type declarations

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```

integer_declaration ::= 
    integer list_of_identifiers ;
real_declaration ::= 
    real list_of_identifiers ;
var_name ::= 
    variable_identifier
    | array_identifier array_range
ground_declaration ::= 
    ground [ range ] list_of_nets ;
net_discipline_declaration ::= 
    discipline_identifier [range] list_of_nets ;
list_of_nets ::= 
    net_identifier [ range ]
    | net_identifier [ range ] , list_of_nets
digital_net_declaration ::= 
    digital_net_declaration
    | wreal [ list_of_identifiers ] ;
branch_declaration ::= 
    branch list_of_branches ;
list_of_branches ::= 
    terminals list_of_branch_identifiers
terminals ::= 
    ( net_or_port_scalar_expression )
    | ( net_or_port_scalar_expression , net_or_port_scalar_expression )
genvar_declaration ::= 
    genvar list_of_genvar_identifiers ;

```

A.2.2 Delcaration data types

A.2.2.4 Net and variable types

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.2.5 Strengths

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.2.6 Delays

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.3 Declaration lists

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```

list_of_genvar_identifiers ::= 
    genvar_identifier { , genvar_identifier }
list_of_branch_identifiers ::= 
    branch_identifier [ range ]
    | branch_identifier [ range ] , list_of_branch_identifiers

```

```
list_of_identifiers ::=  
    var_name { , var_name }  
list_of_param_assignments ::=  
    declarator_init { , declarator_init }
```

A.2.4 Declaration assignments

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.5 Declaration ranges

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
array_range ::=  
    [ upper_limit_constant_expression : lower_limit_constant_expression ]  
range ::=  
    [ constant_expression : constant_expression ]  
range ::=  
    [ constant_expression : constant_expression ]
```

A.2.6 Function declarations

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.7 Analog function declarations

```
analog_function_declaration ::=  
    analog function [ type ] function_identifier ;  
    function_item_declaration { function_item_declaration }  
    statement  
    endfunction  
type ::=  
    integer  
    | real  
function_item_declaration ::=  
    block_item_declaration  
    | input_declaration
```

A.2.8 Task declarations

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.9 Block item declarations

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.2.10 Analog block item declarations

```
block_item_declaration ::=  
    parameter_declaration  
  | integer_declaration  
  | real_declaration
```

A.3 Primitive instances

A.3.1 Primitive instantiation and instances

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.3.2 Primitive strengths

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.3.3 Primitive terminals

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.3.4 Primitive gate and switch types

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.4 Module and generated instantiation

A.4.1 Module instantiation

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
module_instantiation ::=  
    module_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ] instance_list  
instance_list ::=  
    module_instance { , module_instance } ;  
module_instance ::=  
    name_of_instance ( [ list_of_module_connections ] )  
name_of_instance ::=  
    module_instance_identifier [ range ]
```

```

list_of_module_connections ::=

    ordered_port_connection { , ordered_port_connection }

    | named_port_connection { , named_port_connection }

ordered_port_connection ::=

    net_expression

named_port_connection ::=

    . port_identifier ( net_expression )

parameter_value_assignment ::=

    # ( ordered_param_override_list )

    | # ( named_param_override_list )

ordered_param_override_list ::=

    constant_or_constant_array_expression { , constant_or_constant_array_expression }

named_param_override_list ::=

    named_param_override { , named_param_override }

named_param_override ::=

    . parameter_identifier ( constant_or_constant_array_expression )

constant_or_constant_array_expression ::=

    constant_expression

    | constant_array_expression

net_expression ::=

    net_identifier

    | net_identifier [ expression ]

    | net_identifier [ msb_constant_expression : lsb_constant_expression ]

    | net_concatenation

net_concatenation ::=

    { net_expression_list }

net_expression_list ::=

    net_expression { , net_expression }

```

A.4.2 Generated instantiation

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.5 UDP declaration and instantiation

A.5.1 UDP declaration

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.5.2 UDP ports

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.5.3 UDP body

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.5.4 UDP instantiation

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6 Behavioural statements

A.6.1 Continuous assignment statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.2 Procedural blocks and assignments

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.3 Parallel and sequential blocks

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.4 Statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.5 Timing control statements

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
digital_event_expression ::=  
    digital_expression  
    | event_identifier  
    | posedge digital_expression  
    | negedge digital_expression  
    | event_function  
    | digital_event_expression or digital_event_expression
```

A.6.6 Conditional statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.7 Case statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.8 Looping statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.6.9 Task enable statements

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.7 Analog behavioral statements

A.7.1 Procedural blocks and assignments

```
analog_block ::=  
    analog analog_statement  
analog_procedural_assignment ::=  
    leexpr = analog_expression ;  
leexpr ::=  
    integer_identifier  
    | real_identifier  
    | array_element  
array_element ::=  
    integer_identifier [ expression ]  
    | real_identifier [ expression ]  
procedural_assignment ::=  
    leexpr = expression ;
```

A.7.2 Sequential blocks

```
analog_seq_block ::=  
    begin [ : block_identifier { block_item_declaration } ]  
        { analog_statement }  
    end  
seq_block ::=  
    begin [ : block_identifier { block_item_declaration } ]  
        { statement }  
    end
```

A.7.3 Analog statements

```
analog_statement ::=  
    analog_seq_block  
    | analog_branch_contribution  
    | analog_indirect_branch_assignment  
    | analog_procedural_assignment  
    | analog_conditional_statement  
    | analog_for_statement  
    | analog_case_statement
```

```

| analog_event_controlled_statement
| system_task_enable
| statement
statement ::=
  seq_block
  | procedural_assignment
  | conditional_statement
  | loop_statement
  | case_statement
analog_statement_or_null ::=
  analog_statement | ;
statement_or_null ::=
  statement | ;

```

A.7.4 Contribution statements

```

analog_branch_contribution ::=
  bvalue <+ analog_expression ;
analog_indirect_branch_assignment ::=
  bvalue : nexpr == analog_expression ;
nexpr ::=
  bvalue
  | pvalue
  | ddt ( bvalue | pvalue )
  | idt ( bvalue | pvalue )

```

A.7.5 Genvar loop statement

```

analog_for_statement ::=
  for ( genvar_assignment ; genvar_expression ;
        genvar_assignment ) analog_statement
genvar_assignment ::=
  genvar_identifier = genvar_expression

```

A.7.6 Event control statements

```

event_control_statement ::=
  event_control statement_or_null
event_control ::=
  @ event_identifier
  | @ ( event_expression )
analog_event_expression ::=
  global_event
  | event_function
  | digital_expression
  | event_identifier
  | posedge digital_expression
  | negedge digital_expression
  | event_expression or event_expression

```

```

global_event ::= 
    initial_step [ ( analysis_list ) ]
    | final_step [ ( analysis_list ) ]
analysis_list ::= 
    analysis_name { , analysis_name }
analysis_name ::= 
    " analysis_identifier "
event_function ::= 
    cross_function
    | timer_function
cross_function ::= 
    cross ( arg_list )
timer_function ::= 
    timer ( arg_list )
driver_access_function ::= 
    driver_update | net_resolution

```

A.7.7 Conditional statements

```

conditional_statement ::= 
    if ( expression ) statement_or_null
    [ else statement_or_null ]
analog_conditional_statement ::= 
    if ( genvar_expression ) analog_statement_or_null
    [ else analog_statement_or_null ]

```

A.7.8 Case statements

```

case_statement ::= 
    case ( expression ) case_item {case_item} endcase
    | cased ( expression ) case_item {case_item} endcase
    | casex ( expression ) case_item {case_item} endcase
case_item ::= 
    expression { , expression } : statement_or_null
    | default [ : ] statement_or_null
analog_case_statement ::= 
    case ( genvar_expression ) analog_case_item { analog_case_item } endcase
    | cased ( genvar_expression ) analog_case_item { analog_case_item } endcase
    | casex ( genvar_expression ) analog_case_item { analog_case_item } endcase
analog_case_item ::= 
    genvar_expression { , genvar_expression } : analog_statement_or_null
    | default [ : ] analog_statement_or_null

```

A.7.9 Analog loop statements

```

loop_statement ::= 
    repeat ( expression ) statement
    | while ( expression ) statement
    | for ( procedural_assignment ; expression ;
        procedural_assignment ) statement

```

A.7.10 Analog task enable statements

```
system_task_enable ::=  
    system_task_name [ ( expression { , expression } ) ] ;  
system_task_name ::=  
    $identifier
```

Note: The \$ may not be followed by a space.

A.8 Specify section

A.8.1 Specify block declaration

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.2 Specify path declarations

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.3 Specify block terminals

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.4 Specify path delays

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.5 System timing checks

A.8.5.1 System timing check commands

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.5.2 System timing check command arguments

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.8.5.3 System timing check event definitions

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.9 Expressions

A.9.1 Concatenations

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.9.2 Function calls

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.9.3 Expressions

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.9.4 Primaries

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

```
digital_primary ::=  
    primary
```

A.9.5 Expression left-side values

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.9.6 Operators

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.9.7 Numbers

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

```
digital_number ::=  
    number
```

A.9.8 Strings

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

```
string ::=  
    " { Any_ASCII_character_except_newline } "
```

A.10 AMS expressions

A.10.1 AMS concatenations

```
constant_array_expression ::=  
    { constant_arrayinit_element { , constant_arrayinit_element } }  
constant_arrayinit_element ::=  
    constant_expression  
    | integer_constant_expression { constant_expression }  
constant_array_expression ::=  
    { constant_array_init_element { , constant_array_init_element } }  
constant_array_init_element ::=  
    constant_expression  
    | integer_constant_expression { , constant_expression }  
concatenation ::=  
    { expression { , expression } }
```

A.10.2 AMS function calls

```
function_call ::=  
    function_identifier ( expression { , expression } )  
system_function ::=  
    $abstime | $realtime | $temperature | $vt | $bound_step | $discontinuity  
    | $driver_count | $driver_state | $driver_strength
```

A.10.3 AMS expressions

```
analog_expression ::=  
    expression  
    | analog_operator ( analog_operator_arg_list )  
genvar_expression ::=  
    genvar_primary  
    | unary_operator genvar_primary  
    | genvar_expression binary_operator genvar_primary  
    | genvar_expression ? genvar_expression : genvar_expression  
    | string  
constant_expression ::=  
    constant_primary  
    | string  
    | unary_operator constant_primary  
    | constant_expression binary_operator constant_expression  
    | constant_expression ? constant_expression : constant_expression  
    | constant_array_expression  
    | attribute_reference  
    | built_in_function (const_arg_list )  
const_arg_list ::=  
    constant_expression { , constant_expression }  
expression ::=  
    primary
```

```

| unary_operator primary
| expression binary_operator expression
| expression ? expression : expression
| function_call
| access_function_reference
| built_in_function ( arg_list )
| system_function ( arg_list )

```

A.10.4 Analog operators

```

analog_operator_arg_list ::= 
    analog_operator_argument { , analog_operator_argument }
analog_operator_argument ::= 
    | expression
    | constant_array_expression
    | analog_operator ( analog_operator_arg_list )
analog_operator ::= 
    ddt | idt | idtmod | absdelay | transition | slew |
    | laplace_zd | laplace_zp | laplace_np | laplace_nd
    | zi_zp | zi_zd | zi_np | zi_nd | last_crossing | ac_stim
    | limexp | white_noise | flicker_noise | noise_table

```

A.10.5 AMS primaries

```

genvar_primary ::= 
    constant_primary
    | genvar_identifier
    | genvar_identifier [ genvar_expression ]
    | analysis ( arg_list )
arg_list ::= 
    argument { , argument}
argument ::= 
    expression
    | constant_array_expression
constant_primary ::= 
    number
    | parameter_identifier
    | constant_concatenation
primary ::= 
    number
    | identifier
    | identifier [ expression ]
    | identifier [ digital_msbit_constant_expression : digital_lsbit_constant_expression ]
    | digital_concatenation
    | digital_multiple_concatenation
    | digital_function_call
    | (digital_mintypmax_expression )
    | string
    | nexpr
    | ( expression )

```

A.10.6 Nature attribute accessing

```
attribute_reference ::=  
    net_identifier . pot_or_flow . attribute_identifier
```

A.10.7 Analog Probes

```
access_function_reference ::=  
    bvalue  
    | pvalue  
bvalue ::=  
    access_identifier ( analog_signal_list )  
analog_signal_list ::=  
    branch_identifier  
    | array_branch_identifier [ genvar_expression ]  
    | net_or_port_scalar_expression  
    | net_or_port_scalar_expression , net_or_port_scalar_expression  
net_or_port_scalar_expression ::=  
    net_or_port_identifier  
    | array_net_or_port_identifier [ genvar_expression ]  
    | vector_net_or_port_identifier [ genvar_expression ]  
pvalue ::=  
    flow_access_identifier ( < port_scalar_expression > )  
port_scalar_expression ::=  
    port_identifier  
    | array_port_identifier [ genvar_expression ]  
    | vector_port_identifier [ genvar_expression ]
```

A.10.8 AMS operators

```
unary_operator ::=  
    + | - | ! | ~  
binary_operator ::=  
    + | - | * | / | % | == | === | != | !== | && | ||  
    | < | <= | > | >= | & | | ^ | ^~ | ~^ | >> | <<
```

A.10.9 Mathematical functions

```
built_in_function ::=  
    ln | log | exp | sqrt | min | max | abs | pow | ceil | floor  
    | sin | cos | tan | asin | acos | atan | atan2  
    | sinh | cosh | tanh | asinh | acosh | atanh | hypot
```

A.10.10 AMS numbers

```
number ::=  
    decimal_number  
    | digital_octal_number  
    | digital_binary_number
```

```

| digital_hex_number
| real_number
decimal_number ::= [ sign ] unsigned_num
real_number ::= [ sign ] unsigned_num . unsigned_num
| [ sign ] unsigned_num [ . unsigned_num ] e [ sign ] unsigned_num
| [ sign ] unsigned_num [ . unsigned_num ] E [ sign ] unsigned_num
| [ sign ] unsigned_num [ . unsigned_num ] scale_factor
sign ::= +
| -
unsigned_num ::= decimal_digit { _ | decimal_digit }
decimal_digit ::= 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9
scale_factor ::= T | G | M | K | k | m | u | n | p | f | a

```

A.11 General

A.11.1 Attributes

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

A.11.2 Comments

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

```

comment ::= short_comment
| long_comment
short_comment ::= // comment_text \n
long_comment ::= /* comment_text */
comment_text ::= { Any_ASCII_character }

```

A.11.3 Identifiers

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL* annex A.

```

identifier ::= IDENTIFIER [ { . IDENTIFIER } ]
NOTE: The period in identifier may not be preceded or followed by a space.

```

```
IDENTIFIER ::=  
    simple_identifier  
    | escaped_identifier  
simple_identifier ::=  
    [ a-zA-Z_ ]{ a-zA-Z_$0-9 }  
escaped_identifier ::=  
    \ { Any_ASCII_character_except_white_space } white_space
```

A.11.4 Identifier branches

Refer to the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

A.11.5 White space

The syntax below extends and modifies the syntax found in the equivalent section in *IEEE 1364-2001 Verilog HDL annex A*.

```
white_space ::=  
    space  
    | tab  
    | newline  
    | formfeeds
```