\$table_model()

Requirements for data based modeling in Verilog-AMS LRM 2.3

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Outline

- Requirements
 - Input data format
 - Interpolation
 - Other features

Input data format

- No limit of the number of input points
- No limit on the dimensionality of the input data
- No limit of the number of dependent variables.
- Support for both isoline style data and scattered data
- A mechanism to allow skipping of a column (typically an index appearing as column 1)

Input data format

- Support for "sections" in the input data file and section specification in the interpolation function.
- Encryption of all or some of the data file in the same way in which the Verilog-AMS file itself may be encrypted.
- Specification of variable names in the data file to support named dependent selection.
- Directory search guideline when a data file is specified with a relative path.

Interpolation

- Higher order interpolation (Cubic Splines) when data is specified as a set of isolines.
- Addition of local cubic interpolation that may be more useful/efficient than cubic splines.
- Linear interpolation only for scattered data, TBD.
- Support for discrete lookup, no interpolation
- Interpolation on a log scale for both the dependent and independent variables.

Interpolation

- For the isoline format, add constant extrapolation control (clamping).
- User defined interpolation via an analog function (mechanism similar to \$limit).
- Add documentation of issues that may arise when using cubic interpolation.

Other Requirements

- Remove the analog operator requirement from the LRM
- The data file may be a string literal or a string parameter.
- Document the isoline data file format in more detail
- Support for multi-dimensional arrays