

## Annex A

(normative)

### Formal syntax

The formal syntax of SystemVerilog is described using Backus-Naur Form (BNF). The syntax of SystemVerilog HDL source is derived from the starting symbol `source_text`. The syntax of a library map file is derived from the starting symbol `library_text`. The conventions used are as follows:

- Keywords and punctuation are in **bold-red** text.
- Syntactic categories are named in nonbold text.
- A vertical bar ( `|` ) separates alternatives.
- Square brackets ( `[ ]` ) enclose optional items.
- Braces ( `{ }` ) enclose items that can be repeated zero or more times.

The full syntax and semantics of Verilog and SystemVerilog are not described solely using BNF. The normative text description contained within the chapters of IEEE Std 1364 and this standard provide additional details on the syntax and semantics described in this BNF.

#### A.1 Source text

##### A.1.1 Library source text

```

library_text ::= { library_description }
library_description ::=
    library_declaration
    | include_statement
    | config_declaration
    | ;
library_declaration ::=
    library library_identifier file_path_spec { , file_path_spec }
    [ -incdir file_path_spec { , file_path_spec } ] ;
include_statement ::= include file_path_spec ;

```

##### A.1.2 SystemVerilog source text

```

source_text ::= [ timeunits_declaration ] { description }
description ::=
    module_declaration
    | udp_declaration
    | interface_declaration
    | program_declaration
    | package_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } package_item
    | { attribute_instance } bind_directive
    | config_declaration
module_nonansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } module_keyword [ lifetime ] module_identifier [ parameter_port_list ]

```

```

        list_of_ports ;

module_ansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } module_keyword [ lifetime ] module_identifier [ parameter_port_list ]
    [ list_of_port_declarations ] ;

module_declaration ::=
    module_nonansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { module_item }
    endmodule [ : module_identifier ]
    | module_ansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { non_port_module_item }
    endmodule [ : module_identifier ]
    | { attribute_instance } module_keyword [ lifetime ] module_identifier (.*);
    [ timeunits_declaration ] { module_item } endmodule [ : module_identifier ]
    | extern module_nonansi_header
    | extern module_ansi_header

module_keyword ::= module | macromodule

interface_nonansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } interface [ lifetime ] interface_identifier
    [ parameter_port_list ] list_of_ports ;

interface_ansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } interface [ lifetime ] interface_identifier
    [ parameter_port_list ] [ list_of_port_declarations ] ;

interface_declaration ::=
    interface_nonansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { interface_item }
    endinterface [ : interface_identifier ]
    | interface_ansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { non_port_interface_item }
    endinterface [ : interface_identifier ]
    | { attribute_instance } interface interface_identifier (.*);
    [ timeunits_declaration ] { interface_item }
    endinterface [ : interface_identifier ]
    | extern interface_nonansi_header
    | extern interface_ansi_header

program_nonansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } program [ lifetime ] program_identifier
    [ parameter_port_list ] list_of_ports ;

program_ansi_header ::=
    { attribute_instance } program [ lifetime ] program_identifier
    [ parameter_port_list ] [ list_of_port_declarations ] ;

program_declaration ::=
    program_nonansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { program_item }
    endprogram [ : program_identifier ]
    | program_ansi_header [ timeunits_declaration ] { non_port_program_item }
    endprogram [ : program_identifier ]
    | { attribute_instance } program program_identifier (.*);
    [ timeunits_declaration ] { program_item }
    endprogram [ : program_identifier ]
    | extern program_nonansi_header
    | extern program_ansi_header

class_declaration ::=
    [ virtual ] class [ lifetime ] class_identifier [ parameter_port_list ]
    [ extends class_type [ ( list_of_arguments ) ] ];
    { class_item }
    endclass [ : class_identifier ]

```

```

package_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } package package_identifier ;
    [ timeunits_declaration ] { { attribute_instance } package_item }
endpackage [ : package_identifier ]

timeunits_declaration ::=
    timeunit time_literal ;
    | timeprecision time_literal ;
    | timeunit time_literal ;
    | timeprecision time_literal ;
    | timeprecision time_literal ;
    | timeunit time_literal ;

```

### A.1.3 Module parameters and ports

```

parameter_port_list ::=
    # ( list_of_param_assignments { , parameter_port_declaration } )
    | # ( parameter_port_declaration { , parameter_port_declaration } )
    | # ( )

parameter_port_declaration ::=
    parameter_declaration
    | data_type list_of_param_assignments
    | type list_of_type_assignments

list_of_ports ::= ( port { , port } )

list_of_port_declarations25 ::=
    ( [ { attribute_instance } ansi_port_declaration { , { attribute_instance } ansi_port_declaration } ] )

port_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } inout_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } input_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } output_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } ref_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } interface_port_declaration

port ::=
    [ port_expression ]
    | . port_identifier ( [ port_expression ] )

port_expression ::=
    port_reference
    | { port_reference { , port_reference } }

port_reference ::=
    port_identifier constant_select

port_direction ::= input | output | inout | ref

net_port_header ::= [ port_direction ] net_port_type

variable_port_header ::= [ port_direction ] variable_port_type

interface_port_header ::=
    interface_identifier [ . modport_identifier ]
    | interface [ . modport_identifier ]

ansi_port_declaration ::=
    [ net_port_header | interface_port_header ] port_identifier { unpacked_dimension }
    | [ variable_port_header ] port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = constant_expression ]
    | [ net_port_header | variable_port_header ] . port_identifier ( [ expression ] )

```

### A.1.4 Module items

```

module_common_item ::=
    module_or_generate_item_declaration
    | interface_instantiation
    | program_instantiation
    | concurrent_assertion_item
    | bind_directive
    | continuous_assign
    | net_alias
    | initial_construct
    | final_construct
    | always_construct
    | loop_generate_construct
    | conditional_generate_construct

module_item ::=
    port_declaration ;
    | non_port_module_item

module_or_generate_item ::=
    { attribute_instance } parameter_override
    | { attribute_instance } gate_instantiation
    | { attribute_instance } udp_instantiation
    | { attribute_instance } module_instantiation
    | { attribute_instance } module_common_item

module_or_generate_item_declaration ::=
    package_or_generate_item_declaration
    | genvar_declaration
    | clocking_declaration
    | default clocking clocking_identifier ;

non_port_module_item ::=
    generate_region
    | module_or_generate_item
    | specify_block
    | { attribute_instance } specparam_declaration
    | program_declaration
    | module_declaration
    | interface_declaration
    | timeunits_declaration17

parameter_override ::= defparam list_of_defparam_assignments ;

bind_directive ::=
    bind bind_target_scope [: bind_target_instance_list] bind_instantiation ;
    | bind bind_target_instance bind_instantiation ;

bind_target_scope ::=
    module_identifier
    | interface_identifier

bind_target_instance ::=
    hierarchical_identifier constant_bit_select

bind_target_instance_list ::=
    bind_target_instance { , bind_target_instance }

bind_instantiation ::=
    program_instantiation

```

| module\_instantiation  
| interface\_instantiation

### A.1.5 Configuration source text

```

config_declaration ::=
    config config_identifier ;
    design_statement
    { config_rule_statement }
    endconfig [ : config_identifier ]
design_statement ::= design { [ library_identifier . ] cell_identifier } ;
config_rule_statement ::=
    default_clause liblist_clause ;
    | inst_clause liblist_clause ;
    | inst_clause use_clause ;
    | cell_clause liblist_clause ;
    | cell_clause use_clause ;
default_clause ::= default
inst_clause ::= instance inst_name
inst_name ::= topmodule_identifier { . instance_identifier }
cell_clause ::= cell [ library_identifier . ] cell_identifier
liblist_clause ::= liblist {library_identifier}
use_clause ::= use [ library_identifier . ] cell_identifier [ : config ]

```

### A.1.6 Interface items

```

interface_or_generate_item ::=
    { attribute_instance } module_common_item
    | { attribute_instance } modport_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } extern_tf_declaration
extern_tf_declaration ::=
    extern method_prototype ;
    | extern forkjoin task_prototype ;
interface_item ::=
    port_declaration ;
    | non_port_interface_item
non_port_interface_item ::=
    generate_region
    | interface_or_generate_item
    | program_declaration
    | interface_declaration
    | timeunits_declaration17

```

### A.1.7 Program items

```

program_item ::=
    port_declaration ;
    | non_port_program_item
non_port_program_item ::=

```

```

        { attribute_instance } continuous_assign
    | { attribute_instance } module_or_generate_item_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } initial_construct
    | { attribute_instance } final_construct
    | { attribute_instance } concurrent_assertion_item
    | { attribute_instance } timeunits_declaration17
    | program_generate_item
program_generate_item37 ::=
    loop_generate_construct
    | conditional_generate_construct
    | generate_region

```

### A.1.8 Class items

```

class_item ::=
    { attribute_instance } class_property
    | { attribute_instance } class_method
    | { attribute_instance } class_constraint
    | { attribute_instance } class_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } timeunits_declaration17
    | { attribute_instance } covergroup_declaration
    ;

class_property ::=
    { property_qualifier } data_declaration
    | const { class_item_qualifier } data_type const_identifier [ = constant_expression ] ;

class_method ::=
    { method_qualifier } task_declaration
    | { method_qualifier } function_declaration
    | extern { method_qualifier } method_prototype ;
    | { method_qualifier } class_constructor_declaration
    | extern { method_qualifier } class_constructor_prototype

class_constructor_prototype ::=
    function new ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ;

class_constraint ::=
    constraint_prototype
    | constraint_declaration

class_item_qualifier7 ::=
    static
    | protected
    | local

property_qualifier7 ::=
    random_qualifier
    | class_item_qualifier

random_qualifier7 ::=
    rand
    | randc

method_qualifier7 ::=
    virtual
    | class_item_qualifier

```

```

method_prototype ::=
    task_prototype
  | function_prototype
class_constructor_declaration ::=
    function [ class_scope ] new [ ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ] ;
    { block_item_declaration }
    [ super . new [ ( list_of_arguments ) ] ; ]
    { function_statement_or_null }
endfunction [ : new ]

```

### A.1.9 Constraints

```

constraint_declaration ::= [ static ] constraint constraint_identifier constraint_block
constraint_block ::= { { constraint_block_item } }
constraint_block_item ::=
    solve identifier_list before identifier_list ;
    | constraint_expression
constraint_expression ::=
    expression_or_dist ;
    | expression -> constraint_set
    | if ( expression ) constraint_set [ else constraint_set ]
    | foreach ( array_identifier [ loop_variables ] ) constraint_set
constraint_set ::=
    constraint_expression
    | { { constraint_expression } }
dist_list ::= dist_item { , dist_item }
dist_item ::= value_range [ dist_weight ]
dist_weight ::=
    := expression
    | :/ expression
constraint_prototype ::= [ static ] constraint constraint_identifier ;
extern_constraint_declaration ::=
    [ static ] constraint class_scope constraint_identifier constraint_block
identifier_list ::= identifier { , identifier }

```

### A.1.10 Package items

```

package_item ::=
    package_or_generate_item_declaration
    | anonymous_program
    | timeunits_declaration17
package_or_generate_item_declaration ::=
    net_declaration
    | data_declaration
    | task_declaration
    | function_declaration
    | dpi_import_export
    | extern_constraint_declaration
    | class_declaration

```

```

| class_constructor_declaration
| parameter_declaration ;
| local_parameter_declaration
| covergroup_declaration
| overload_declaration
| concurrent_assertion_item_declaration
| ;

anonymous_program ::= program ; { anonymous_program_item } endprogram
anonymous_program_item ::=
    task_declaration
| function_declaration
| class_declaration
| covergroup_declaration
| class_constructor_declaration
| ;

```

## A.2 Declarations

### A.2.1 Declaration types

#### A.2.1.1 Module parameter declarations

```

local_parameter_declaration ::=
    localparam data_type_or_implicit list_of_param_assignments ;
| localparam type list_of_type_assignments ;

parameter_declaration ::=
    parameter data_type_or_implicit list_of_param_assignments
| parameter type list_of_type_assignments

specparam_declaration ::=
    specparam [ packed_dimension ] list_of_specparam_assignments ;

```

#### A.2.1.2 Port declarations

```

inout_declaration ::=
    inout net_port_type list_of_port_identifiers

input_declaration ::=
    input net_port_type list_of_port_identifiers
| input variable_port_type list_of_variable_identifiers

output_declaration ::=
    output net_port_type list_of_port_identifiers
| output variable_port_type list_of_variable_port_identifiers

interface_port_declaration ::=
    interface_identifier list_of_interface_identifiers
| interface_identifier . modport_identifier list_of_interface_identifiers

ref_declaration ::= ref variable_port_type list_of_port_identifiers

```

#### A.2.1.3 Type declarations

```

data_declaration14 ::=
    [ const ] [ var ] [ lifetime ] data_type_or_implicit list_of_variable_decl_assignments ;

```



```

    | type_declaration
    | package_import_declaration
    | virtual_interface_declaration
package_import_declaration ::=
    import package_import_item { , package_import_item } ;
package_import_item ::=
    package_identifier :: identifier
    | package_identifier :: *
genvar_declaration ::= genvar list_of_genvar_identifiers ;
net_declaration13 ::=
    net_type [ drive_strength | charge_strength ] [ vector | scalar ]
    data_type_or_implicit [ delay3 ] list_of_net_decl_assignments ;
type_declaration ::=
    typedef data_type type_identifier { variable_dimension } ;
    | typedef interface_instance_identifier . type_identifier type_identifier ;
    | typedef [ enum | struct | union | class ] type_identifier ;
lifetime ::= static | automatic

```

## A.2.2 Declaration data types

### A.2.2.1 Net and variable types

```

casting_type ::= simple_type | constant_primary | signing
data_type ::=
    integer_vector_type [ signing ] { packed_dimension }
    | integer_atom_type [ signing ]
    | non_integer_type
    | struct_union [ packed [ signing ] ] { struct_union_member { struct_union_member } }
    { packed_dimension }12
    | enum [ enum_base_type ] { enum_name_declaration { , enum_name_declaration } }
    | string
    | chandle
    | virtual [ interface ] interface_identifier
    | [ class_scope | package_scope ] type_identifier { packed_dimension }
    | class_type
    | event
    | ps_covergroup_identifier
    | type_reference28
data_type_or_implicit ::=
    data_type
    | [ signing ] { packed_dimension }
enum_base_type ::=
    integer_atom_type [ signing ]
    | integer_vector_type [ signing ] [ packed_dimension ]
    | type_identifier [ packed_dimension ]23
enum_name_declaration ::=
    enum_identifier [ [ integral_number [ : integral_number ] ] ] [ = constant_expression ]
class_scope ::= class_type ::
class_type ::=

```

```

        ps_class_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ]
        { :: class_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ] }
integer_type ::= integer_vector_type | integer_atom_type
integer_atom_type ::= byte | shortint | int | longint | integer | time
integer_vector_type ::= bit | logic | reg
non_integer_type ::= shortreal | real | realtime
net_type ::= supply0 | supply1 | tri | triand | trior | triereg | tri0 | tri1 | uwire | wire | wand | wor
net_port_type33 ::=
    [ net_type ] data_type_or_implicit
variable_port_type ::= var_data_type
var_data_type ::= data_type | var data_type_or_implicit
signing ::= signed | unsigned
simple_type ::= integer_type | non_integer_type | ps_type_identifier | ps_parameter_identifier
struct_union_member26 ::=
    { attribute_instance } [ random_qualifier ] data_type_or_void list_of_variable_decl_assignments ;
data_type_or_void ::= data_type | void
struct_union ::= struct | union [ tagged ]
type_reference ::=
    type ( expression27 )
    | type ( data_type )

```

#### A.2.2.2 Strengths

```

drive_strength ::=
    ( strength0 , strength1 )
    | ( strength1 , strength0 )
    | ( strength0 , highz1 )
    | ( strength1 , highz0 )
    | ( highz0 , strength1 )
    | ( highz1 , strength0 )
strength0 ::= supply0 | strong0 | pull0 | weak0
strength1 ::= supply1 | strong1 | pull1 | weak1
charge_strength ::= ( small ) | ( medium ) | ( large )

```

#### A.2.2.3 Delays

```

delay3 ::= # delay_value | # ( mintypmax_expression [ , mintypmax_expression [ , mintypmax_expression ] )
delay2 ::= # delay_value | # ( mintypmax_expression [ , mintypmax_expression ] )
delay_value ::=
    unsigned_number
    | real_number
    | ps_identifier
    | time_literal

```

#### A.2.3 Declaration lists

```

list_of_defparam_assignments ::= defparam_assignment { , defparam_assignment }

```

```

list_of_genvar_identifiers ::= genvar_identifier { , genvar_identifier }
list_of_interface_identifiers ::= interface_identifier { unpacked_dimension }
                                { , interface_identifier { unpacked_dimension } }
list_of_net_decl_assignments ::= net_decl_assignment { , net_decl_assignment }
list_of_param_assignments ::= param_assignment { , param_assignment }
list_of_port_identifiers ::= port_identifier { unpacked_dimension }
                             { , port_identifier { unpacked_dimension } }
list_of_udp_port_identifiers ::= port_identifier { , port_identifier }
list_of_specparam_assignments ::= specparam_assignment { , specparam_assignment }
list_of_tf_variable_identifiers ::= port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = expression ]
                                   { , port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = expression ] }
list_of_type_assignments ::= type_assignment { , type_assignment }
list_of_variable_decl_assignments ::= variable_decl_assignment { , variable_decl_assignment }
list_of_variable_identifiers ::= variable_identifier { variable_dimension }
                                { , variable_identifier { variable_dimension } }
list_of_variable_port_identifiers ::= port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = constant_expression ]
                                      { , port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = constant_expression ] }
list_of_virtual_interface_decl ::=
    variable_identifier [ = interface_instance_identifier ]
    { , variable_identifier [ = interface_instance_identifier ] }

```

#### A.2.4 Declaration assignments

```

defparam_assignment ::= hierarchical_parameter_identifier = constant_mintypmax_expression
net_decl_assignment ::= net_identifier { unpacked_dimension } [ = expression ]
param_assignment ::= parameter_identifier { unpacked_dimension } = constant_param_expression
specparam_assignment ::=
    specparam_identifier = constant_mintypmax_expression
    | pulse_control_specparam
type_assignment ::=
    type_identifier = data_type
pulse_control_specparam ::=
    PATHPULSES = ( reject_limit_value [ , error_limit_value ] )
    | PATHPULSES$specify_input_terminal_descriptor$specify_output_terminal_descriptor
      = ( reject_limit_value [ , error_limit_value ] )
error_limit_value ::= limit_value
reject_limit_value ::= limit_value
limit_value ::= constant_mintypmax_expression
variable_decl_assignment ::=
    variable_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = expression ]
    | dynamic_array_variable_identifier [ ] [ = dynamic_array_new ]
    | class_variable_identifier [ = class_new ]
    | [ covergroup_variable_identifier ] = new [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]15
class_new19 ::= new [ ( list_of_arguments ) | expression ]
dynamic_array_new ::= new [ expression ] [ ( expression ) ]

```

### A.2.5 Declaration ranges

```

unpacked_dimension ::= [ constant_range ]
                    | [ constant_expression ]
packed_dimension11 ::=
    [ constant_range ]
    | unsized_dimension
associative_dimension ::=
    [ data_type ]
    | [ * ]
variable_dimension ::=
    unsized_dimension
    | unpacked_dimension
    | associative_dimension
    | queue_dimension
queue_dimension ::= [ $ [ : constant_expression ] ]
unsized_dimension ::= [ ]

```

### A.2.6 Function declarations

```

function_data_type ::= data_type | void
function_data_type_or_implicit ::=
    function_data_type
    | [ signing ] { packed_dimension }
function_declaration ::= function [ lifetime ] function_body_declaration
function_body_declaration ::=
    function_data_type_or_implicit
    [ interface_identifier . | class_scope ] function_identifier ;
    { tf_item_declaration }
    { function_statement_or_null }
    endfunction [ : function_identifier ]
    | function_data_type_or_implicit
    [ interface_identifier . | class_scope ] function_identifier ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ;
    { block_item_declaration }
    { function_statement_or_null }
    endfunction [ : function_identifier ]
function_prototype ::= function function_data_type function_identifier ( [ tf_port_list ] )
dpi_import_export ::=
    import dpi_spec_string [ dpi_function_import_property ] [ c_identifier = ] dpi_function_proto ;
    | import dpi_spec_string [ dpi_task_import_property ] [ c_identifier = ] dpi_task_proto ;
    | export dpi_spec_string [ c_identifier = ] function function_identifier ;
    | export dpi_spec_string [ c_identifier = ] task task_identifier ;
dpi_spec_string ::= "DPI-C" | "DPI"
dpi_function_import_property ::= context | pure
dpi_task_import_property ::= context
dpi_function_proto8,9 ::= function_prototype
dpi_task_proto9 ::= task_prototype

```

### A.2.7 Task declarations

```

task_declaration ::= task [ lifetime ] task_body_declaration
task_body_declaration ::=
    [ interface_identifier . | class_scope ] task_identifier ;
    { tf_item_declaration }
    { statement_or_null }
    endtask [ : task_identifier ]
| [ interface_identifier . | class_scope ] task_identifier ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ;
    { block_item_declaration }
    { statement_or_null }
    endtask [ : task_identifier ]
tf_item_declaration ::=
    block_item_declaration
| tf_port_declaration
tf_port_list ::=
    tf_port_item { , tf_port_item }
tf_port_item34 ::=
    { attribute_instance }
    [ tf_port_direction ] [ var ] data_type_or_implicit
    [ port_identifier { variable_dimension } [ = expression ] ]
tf_port_direction ::= port_direction | const ref
tf_port_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } tf_port_direction [ var ] data_type_or_implicit list_of_tf_variable_identifiers ;
task_prototype ::= task task_identifier ( [ tf_port_list ] )

```

### A.2.8 Block item declarations

```

block_item_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } data_declaration
| { attribute_instance } local_parameter_declaration
| { attribute_instance } parameter_declaration ;
| { attribute_instance } overload_declaration
overload_declaration ::=
    bind overload_operator function data_type function_identifier ( overload_proto_formals ) ;
overload_operator ::= + | ++ | - | -- | * | ** | / | % | == | != | < | <= | > | >= | =
overload_proto_formals ::= data_type { , data_type }

```

### A.2.9 Interface declarations

```

virtual_interface_declaration ::=
    virtual [ interface ] interface_identifier list_of_virtual_interface_decl ;
modport_declaration ::= modport modport_item { , modport_item } ;
modport_item ::= modport_identifier ( modport_ports_declaration { , modport_ports_declaration } )
modport_ports_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } modport_simple_ports_declaration
| { attribute_instance } modport_tf_ports_declaration
| { attribute_instance } modport_clocking_declaration
modport_clocking_declaration ::= clocking clocking_identifier

```

```

modport_simple_ports_declaration ::=
    port_direction modport_simple_port { , modport_simple_port }
modport_simple_port ::=
    port_identifier
    | .port_identifier ( [ expression ] )
modport_tf_ports_declaration ::=
    import_export modport_tf_port { , modport_tf_port }
modport_tf_port ::=
    method_prototype
    | tf_identifier
import_export ::= import | export

```

### A.2.10 Assertion declarations

```

concurrent_assertion_item ::= [ block_identifier : ] concurrent_assertion_statement
concurrent_assertion_statement ::=
    assert_property_statement
    | assume_property_statement
    | cover_property_statement
assert_property_statement ::=
    assert property ( property_spec ) action_block
assume_property_statement ::=
    assume property ( property_spec ) ;
cover_property_statement ::=
    cover property ( property_spec ) statement_or_null
expect_property_statement ::=
    expect ( property_spec ) action_block
property_instance ::=
    ps_property_identifier [ ( [ list_of_arguments ] ) ]
concurrent_assertion_item_declaration ::=
    property_declaration
    | sequence_declaration
property_declaration ::=
    property property_identifier [ ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ] ;
    { assertion_variable_declaration }
    property_spec ;
    endproperty [ : property_identifier ]
property_spec ::=
    [ clocking_event ] [ disable iff ( expression_or_dist ) ] property_expr
property_expr ::=
    sequence_expr
    | ( property_expr )
    | not property_expr
    | property_expr or property_expr
    | property_expr and property_expr
    | sequence_expr -> property_expr
    | sequence_expr ==> property_expr
    | if ( expression_or_dist ) property_expr [ else property_expr ]
    | property_instance
    | clocking_event property_expr

```

```

sequence_declaration ::=
    sequence sequence_identifier [ ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ] ;
    { assertion_variable_declaration }
    sequence_expr ;
    endsequence [ : sequence_identifier ]

sequence_expr ::=
    cycle_delay_range sequence_expr { cycle_delay_range sequence_expr }
    | sequence_expr cycle_delay_range sequence_expr { cycle_delay_range sequence_expr }
    | expression_or_dist [ boolean_abbrev ]
    | ( expression_or_dist {, sequence_match_item } ) [ boolean_abbrev ]
    | sequence_instance [ sequence_abbrev ]
    | ( sequence_expr {, sequence_match_item } ) [ sequence_abbrev ]
    | sequence_expr and sequence_expr
    | sequence_expr intersect sequence_expr
    | sequence_expr or sequence_expr
    | first_match ( sequence_expr {, sequence_match_item} )
    | expression_or_dist throughout sequence_expr
    | sequence_expr within sequence_expr
    | clocking_event sequence_expr

cycle_delay_range ::=
    ## integral_number
    | ## identifier
    | ## ( constant_expression )
    | ## [ cycle_delay_const_range_expression ]

sequence_method_call ::=
    sequence_instance . method_identifier

sequence_match_item ::=
    operator_assignment
    | inc_or_dec_expression
    | subroutine_call

sequence_instance ::=
    ps_sequence_identifier [ ( [ list_of_arguments ] ) ]

formal_list_item ::=
    formal_identifier [ = actual_arg_expr ]

list_of_formals ::= formal_list_item { , formal_list_item }

actual_arg_expr ::=
    event_expression
    | $

boolean_abbrev ::=
    consecutive_repetition
    | non_consecutive_repetition
    | goto_repetition

sequence_abbrev ::= consecutive_repetition

consecutive_repetition ::= [ * const_or_range_expression ]
non_consecutive_repetition ::= [= const_or_range_expression ]
goto_repetition ::= [-> const_or_range_expression ]

const_or_range_expression ::=
    constant_expression
    | cycle_delay_const_range_expression

cycle_delay_const_range_expression ::=

```

```

        constant_expression : constant_expression
    | constant_expression : $
expression_or_dist ::= expression [ dist { dist_list } ]
assertion_variable_declaration ::=
    var_data_type list_of_variable_identifiers ;

```

## A.2.11 Covergroup declarations

```

covergroup_declaration ::=
    covergroup covergroup_identifier [ ( [ tf_port_list ] ) ] [ coverage_event ] ;
    { coverage_spec_or_option }
    endgroup [ : covergroup_identifier ]
coverage_spec_or_option ::=
    {attribute_instance} coverage_spec
    | {attribute_instance} coverage_option ;
coverage_option ::=
    option.member_identifier = expression
    | type_option.member_identifier = expression
coverage_spec ::=
    cover_point
    | cover_cross
coverage_event ::=
    clocking_event
    | @@( block_event_expression )
block_event_expression ::=
    block_event_expression or block_event_expression
    | begin hierarchical_btf_identifier
    | end hierarchical_btf_identifier
hierarchical_btf_identifier ::=
    hierarchical_tf_identifier
    | hierarchical_block_identifier
    | hierarchical_identifier [ class_scope ] method_identifier
cover_point ::= [ cover_point_identifier : ] coverpoint expression [ iff ( expression ) ] bins_or_empty
bins_or_empty ::=
    { {attribute_instance} { bins_or_options ; } }
    | ;
bins_or_options ::=
    coverage_option
    | [ wildcard ] bins_keyword bin_identifier [ [ [ expression ] ] ] = { open_range_list } [ iff ( expression ) ]
    | [ wildcard ] bins_keyword bin_identifier [ [ ] ] = trans_list [ iff ( expression ) ]
    | bins_keyword bin_identifier [ [ [ expression ] ] ] = default [ iff ( expression ) ]
    | bins_keyword bin_identifier = default sequence [ iff ( expression ) ]
bins_keyword ::= bins | illegal_bins | ignore_bins
range_list ::= value_range { , value_range }
trans_list ::= ( trans_set ) { , ( trans_set ) }
trans_set ::= trans_range_list { => trans_range_list }
trans_range_list ::=
    trans_item

```



```

    | trans_item [ [* repeat_range ] ]
    | trans_item [ [-> repeat_range ] ]
    | trans_item [ [= repeat_range ] ]
trans_item ::= range_list
repeat_range ::=
    expression
    | expression : expression
cover_cross ::= [ cover_point_identifier : ] cross list_of_coverpoints [ iff ( expression ) ]
    select_bins_or_empty
list_of_coverpoints ::= cross_item , cross_item { , cross_item }
cross_item ::=
    cover_point_identifier
    | variable_identifier
select_bins_or_empty ::=
    { { bins_selection_or_option ; } }
    | ;
bins_selection_or_option ::=
    { attribute_instance } coverage_option
    | { attribute_instance } bins_selection
bins_selection ::= bins_keyword bin_identifier = select_expression [ iff ( expression ) ]
select_expression ::=
    select_condition
    | ! select_condition
    | select_expression && select_expression
    | select_expression || select_expression
    | ( select_expression )
select_condition ::= binsof ( bins_expression ) [ intersect { open_range_list } ]
bins_expression ::=
    variable_identifier
    | cover_point_identifier [ . bins_identifier ]
open_range_list ::= open_value_range { , open_value_range }
open_value_range ::= value_range20

```

## A.3 Primitive instances

### A.3.1 Primitive instantiation and instances

```

gate_instantiation ::=
    cmos_switchtype [delay3] cmos_switch_instance { , cmos_switch_instance } ;
    | enable_gatetype [drive_strength] [delay3] enable_gate_instance { , enable_gate_instance } ;
    | mos_switchtype [delay3] mos_switch_instance { , mos_switch_instance } ;
    | n_input_gatetype [drive_strength] [delay2] n_input_gate_instance { , n_input_gate_instance } ;
    | n_output_gatetype [drive_strength] [delay2] n_output_gate_instance
        { , n_output_gate_instance } ;
    | pass_en_switchtype [delay2] pass_enable_switch_instance { , pass_enable_switch_instance } ;
    | pass_switchtype pass_switch_instance { , pass_switch_instance } ;
    | pulldown [pulldown_strength] pull_gate_instance { , pull_gate_instance } ;
    | pullup [pullup_strength] pull_gate_instance { , pull_gate_instance } ;

```

```

cmos_switch_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal , input_terminal ,
    ncontrol_terminal , pcontrol_terminal )
enable_gate_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal , input_terminal , enable_terminal )
mos_switch_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal , input_terminal , enable_terminal )
n_input_gate_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal , input_terminal { , input_terminal } )
n_output_gate_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal { , output_terminal } ,
    input_terminal )
pass_switch_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( inout_terminal , inout_terminal )
pass_enable_switch_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( inout_terminal , inout_terminal ,
    enable_terminal )
pull_gate_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal )

```

### A.3.2 Primitive strengths

```

pulldown_strength ::=
    ( strength0 , strength1 )
    | ( strength1 , strength0 )
    | ( strength0 )
pullup_strength ::=
    ( strength0 , strength1 )
    | ( strength1 , strength0 )
    | ( strength1 )

```

### A.3.3 Primitive terminals

```

enable_terminal ::= expression
inout_terminal ::= net_lvalue
input_terminal ::= expression
ncontrol_terminal ::= expression
output_terminal ::= net_lvalue
pcontrol_terminal ::= expression

```

### A.3.4 Primitive gate and switch types

```

cmos_switchtype ::= cmos | rcmos
enable_gatetype ::= bufif0 | bufif1 | notif0 | notif1
mos_switchtype ::= nmos | pmos | rnmos | rpmos
n_input_gatetype ::= and | nand | or | nor | xor | xnor
n_output_gatetype ::= buf | not
pass_en_switchtype ::= tranif0 | tranif1 | rtranif1 | rtranif0
pass_switchtype ::= tran | rtran

```

## A.4 Module, interface and generated instantiation

### A.4.1 Instantiation

#### A.4.1.1 Module instantiation

```

module_instantiation ::=
    module_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ] hierarchical_instance { , hierarchical_instance } ;
parameter_value_assignment ::= # ( [ list_of_parameter_assignments ] )
list_of_parameter_assignments ::=
    ordered_parameter_assignment { , ordered_parameter_assignment }
    | named_parameter_assignment { , named_parameter_assignment }
ordered_parameter_assignment ::= param_expression
named_parameter_assignment ::= . parameter_identifier ( [ param_expression ] )
hierarchical_instance ::= name_of_instance ( [ list_of_port_connections ] )
name_of_instance ::= instance_identifier { unpacked_dimension }
list_of_port_connections16 ::=
    ordered_port_connection { , ordered_port_connection }
    | named_port_connection { , named_port_connection }
ordered_port_connection ::= { attribute_instance } [ expression ]
named_port_connection ::=
    { attribute_instance } . port_identifier [ ( [ expression ] ) ]
    | { attribute_instance } .*

```

#### A.4.1.2 Interface instantiation

```

interface_instantiation ::=
    interface_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ] hierarchical_instance { , hierarchical_instance }
    ;

```

#### A.4.1.3 Program instantiation

```

program_instantiation ::=
    program_identifier [ parameter_value_assignment ] hierarchical_instance { , hierarchical_instance }
    ;

```

### A.4.2 Generated instantiation

```

module_or_interface_or_generate_item31 ::=
    module_or_generate_item
    | interface_or_generate_item
generate_region ::=
    generate { module_or_interface_or_generate_item } endgenerate
loop_generate_construct ::=
    for ( genvar_initialization ; genvar_expression ; genvar_iteration )
        generate_block
genvar_initialization ::=
    [ genvar ] genvar_identifier = constant_expression

```

```

genvar_iteration ::=
    genvar_identifier assignment_operator genvar_expression
    | inc_or_dec_operator genvar_identifier
    | genvar_identifier inc_or_dec_operator
conditional_generate_construct ::=
    if_generate_construct
    | case_generate_construct
if_generate_construct ::=
    if ( constant_expression ) generate_block_or_null [ else generate_block_or_null ]
case_generate_construct ::=
    case ( constant_expression ) case_generate_item { case_generate_item } endcase
case_generate_item ::=
    constant_expression { , constant_expression } : generate_block_or_null
    | default [ : ] generate_block_or_null
generate_block ::=
    module_or_interface_or_generate_item
    | [ generate_block_identifier : ] begin [ : generate_block_identifier ]
        { module_or_interface_or_generate_item }
    end [ : generate_block_identifier ]
generate_block_or_null ::= generate_block | ;

```

## A.5 UDP declaration and instantiation

### A.5.1 UDP declaration

```

udp_nonansi_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } primitive udp_identifier ( udp_port_list ) ;
udp_ansi_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } primitive udp_identifier ( udp_declaration_port_list ) ;
udp_declaration ::=
    udp_nonansi_declaration udp_port_declaration { udp_port_declaration }
    udp_body
    endprimitive [ : udp_identifier ]
    | udp_ansi_declaration
    udp_body
    endprimitive [ : udp_identifier ]
    | extern udp_nonansi_declaration
    | extern udp_ansi_declaration
    | { attribute_instance } primitive udp_identifier ( .* ) ;
    { udp_port_declaration }
    udp_body
    endprimitive [ : udp_identifier ]

```

### A.5.2 UDP ports

```

udp_port_list ::= output_port_identifier , input_port_identifier { , input_port_identifier }
udp_declaration_port_list ::= udp_output_declaration , udp_input_declaration { , udp_input_declaration }
udp_port_declaration ::=
    udp_output_declaration ;

```

```

    | udp_input_declaration ;
    | udp_reg_declaration ;
udp_output_declaration ::=
    { attribute_instance } output port_identifier
    | { attribute_instance } output reg port_identifier [ = constant_expression ]
udp_input_declaration ::= { attribute_instance } input list_of_udp_port_identifiers
udp_reg_declaration ::= { attribute_instance } reg variable_identifier

```

### A.5.3 UDP body

```

udp_body ::= combinational_body | sequential_body
combinational_body ::= table combinational_entry { combinational_entry } endtable
combinational_entry ::= level_input_list : output_symbol ;
sequential_body ::= [ udp_initial_statement ] table sequential_entry { sequential_entry } endtable
udp_initial_statement ::= initial output_port_identifier = init_val ;
init_val ::= 1'b0 | 1'b1 | 1'bx | 1'bX | 1'B0 | 1'B1 | 1'Bx | 1'BX | 1 | 0
sequential_entry ::= seq_input_list : current_state : next_state ;
seq_input_list ::= level_input_list | edge_input_list
level_input_list ::= level_symbol { level_symbol }
edge_input_list ::= { level_symbol } edge_indicator { level_symbol }
edge_indicator ::= ( level_symbol level_symbol ) | edge_symbol
current_state ::= level_symbol
next_state ::= output_symbol | -
output_symbol ::= 0 | 1 | x | X
level_symbol ::= 0 | 1 | x | X | ? | b | B
edge_symbol ::= r | R | f | F | p | P | n | N | *

```

### A.5.4 UDP instantiation

```

udp_instantiation ::= udp_identifier [ drive_strength ] [ delay2 ] udp_instance { , udp_instance } ;
udp_instance ::= [ name_of_instance ] ( output_terminal , input_terminal { , input_terminal } )

```

## A.6 Behavioral statements

### A.6.1 Continuous assignment and net alias statements

```

continuous_assign ::=
    assign [ drive_strength ] [ delay3 ] list_of_net_assignments ;
    | assign [ delay_control ] list_of_variable_assignments ;
list_of_net_assignments ::= net_assignment { , net_assignment }
list_of_variable_assignments ::= variable_assignment { , variable_assignment }
net_alias ::= alias net_lvalue = net_lvalue { = net_lvalue } ;
net_assignment ::= net_lvalue = expression

```

## A.6.2 Procedural blocks and assignments

`initial_construct ::= initial statement_or_null`  
`always_construct ::= always keyword statement`  
`always_keyword ::= always | always_comb | always_latch | always_ff`  
`final_construct ::= final function_statement`  
`blocking_assignment ::=`  
     `variable_lvalue = delay_or_event_control expression`  
     `| hierarchical_dynamic_array_variable_identifier = dynamic_array_new`  
     `| [ implicit_class_handle . | class_scope | package_scope ] hierarchical_variable_identifier`  
         `select = class_new`  
     `| operator_assignment`  
`operator_assignment ::= variable_lvalue assignment_operator expression`  
`assignment_operator ::=`  
     `= | += | -= | *= | /= | %= | &= | |= | ^= | <=<= | >=> | <<=<= | >>=>=`  
`nonblocking_assignment ::= variable_lvalue <= [ delay_or_event_control ] expression`  
`procedural_continuous_assignment ::=`  
     `assign variable_assignment`  
     `| deassign variable_lvalue`  
     `| force variable_assignment`  
     `| force net_assignment`  
     `| release variable_lvalue`  
     `| release net_lvalue`  
`variable_assignment ::= variable_lvalue = expression`

## A.6.3 Parallel and sequential blocks

`action_block ::=`  
     `statement_or_null`  
     `| [ statement ] else statement_or_null`  
`seq_block ::=`  
     `begin [ : block_identifier ] { block_item_declaration } { statement_or_null }`  
     `end [ : block_identifier ]`  
`par_block ::=`  
     `fork [ : block_identifier ] { block_item_declaration } { statement_or_null }`  
     `join_keyword [ : block_identifier ]`  
`join_keyword ::= join | join_any | join_none`

## A.6.4 Statements

`statement_or_null ::=`  
     `statement`  
     `| { attribute_instance } ;`  
`statement ::= [ block_identifier : ] { attribute_instance } statement_item`  
`statement_item ::=`  
     `blocking_assignment ;`  
     `| nonblocking_assignment ;`  
     `| procedural_continuous_assignment ;`  
     `| case_statement`

```

| conditional_statement
| inc_or_dec_expression ;
| subroutine_call_statement
| disable_statement
| event_trigger
| loop_statement
| jump_statement
| par_block
| procedural_timing_control_statement
| seq_block
| wait_statement
| procedural_assertion_statement
| clocking_drive ;
| randsequence_statement
| randcase_statement
| expect_property_statement
function_statement ::= statement
function_statement_or_null ::=
    function_statement
    | { attribute_instance } ;
variable_identifier_list ::= variable_identifier { , variable_identifier }

```

### A.6.5 Timing control statements

```

procedural_timing_control_statement ::=
    procedural_timing_control_statement_or_null
delay_or_event_control ::=
    delay_control
    | event_control
    | repeat ( expression ) event_control
delay_control ::=
    # delay_value
    | # ( mintypmax_expression )
event_control ::=
    @ hierarchical_event_identifier
    | @ ( event_expression )
    | @*
    | @ ( * )
    | @ sequence_instance
event_expression ::=
    [ edge_identifier ] expression [ iff expression ]
    | sequence_instance [ iff expression ]
    | event_expression or event_expression
    | event_expression , event_expression
procedural_timing_control ::=
    delay_control
    | event_control
    | cycle_delay
jump_statement ::=
    return [ expression ] ;
    | break ;

```

```

    | continue ;
wait_statement ::=
    wait ( expression ) statement_or_null
    | wait fork ;
    | wait_order ( hierarchical_identifier { , hierarchical_identifier } ) action_block
event_trigger ::=
    -> hierarchical_event_identifier ;
    |->> [ delay_or_event_control ] hierarchical_event_identifier ;
disable_statement ::=
    disable hierarchical_task_identifier ;
    | disable hierarchical_block_identifier ;
    | disable fork ;

```

### A.6.6 Conditional statements

```

conditional_statement ::=
    if ( cond_predicate ) statement_or_null [ else statement_or_null ]
    | unique_priority_if_statement
unique_priority_if_statement ::=
    [ unique_priority ] if ( cond_predicate ) statement_or_null
    { else if ( cond_predicate ) statement_or_null }
    [ else statement_or_null ]
unique_priority ::= unique | priority
cond_predicate ::=
    expression_or_cond_pattern { &&& expression_or_cond_pattern }
expression_or_cond_pattern ::=
    expression | cond_pattern
cond_pattern ::= expression matches pattern

```

### A.6.7 case statements

```

case_statement ::=
    [ unique_priority ] case_keyword ( expression ) case_item { case_item } endcase
    | [ unique_priority ] case_keyword ( expression ) matches case_pattern_item { case_pattern_item }
    endcase
    | [ unique_priority ] case ( expression ) inside case_inside_item { case_inside_item } endcase
case_keyword ::= case | casez | casex
case_item ::=
    expression { , expression } : statement_or_null
    | default [ : ] statement_or_null
case_pattern_item ::=
    pattern [ &&& expression ] : statement_or_null
    | default [ : ] statement_or_null
case_inside_item ::=
    open_range_list : statement_or_null
    | default [ : ] statement_or_null
randcase_statement ::=
    randcase randcase_item { randcase_item } endcase
randcase_item ::= expression : statement_or_null

```



**A.6.7.1 Patterns**

```

pattern ::=
    . variable_identifier
    | .*
    | constant_expression
    | tagged member_identifier [ pattern ]
    | '{ pattern { , pattern } }'
    | '{ member_identifier : pattern { , member_identifier : pattern } }'

assignment_pattern ::=
    '{ expression { , expression } }'
    | '{ structure_pattern_key : expression { , structure_pattern_key : expression } }'
    | '{ array_pattern_key : expression { , array_pattern_key : expression } }'
    | '{ constant_expression { expression { , expression } } }'

structure_pattern_key ::= member_identifier | assignment_pattern_key
array_pattern_key ::= constant_expression | assignment_pattern_key
assignment_pattern_key ::= simple_type | default

assignment_pattern_expression ::=
    [ assignment_pattern_expression_type ] assignment_pattern

assignment_pattern_expression_type ::= ps_type_identifier | ps_parameter_identifier | integer_atom_type

constant_assignment_pattern_expression35 ::= assignment_pattern_expression

assignment_pattern_net_lvalue ::=
    '{ net_lvalue { , net_lvalue } }'

assignment_pattern_variable_lvalue ::=
    '{ variable_lvalue { , variable_lvalue } }'

```

**A.6.8 Looping statements**

```

loop_statement ::=
    forever statement_or_null
    | repeat ( expression ) statement_or_null
    | while ( expression ) statement_or_null
    | for ( for_initialization ; expression ; for_step )
        statement_or_null
    | do statement_or_null while ( expression ) ;
    | foreach ( array_identifier [ loop_variables ] ) statement

for_initialization ::=
    list_of_variable_assignments
    | for_variable_declaration { , for_variable_declaration }

for_variable_declaration ::=
    data_type variable_identifier = expression { , variable_identifier = expression }

for_step ::= for_step_assignment { , for_step_assignment }

for_step_assignment ::=
    operator_assignment
    | inc_or_dec_expression
    | function_subroutine_call

loop_variables ::= [ index_variable_identifier ] { , [ index_variable_identifier ] }

```

### A.6.9 Subroutine call statements

```
subroutine_call_statement ::=
    subroutine_call ;
    | void ' ( function_subroutine_call ) ;
```

### A.6.10 Assertion statements

```
procedural_assertion_statement ::=
    concurrent_assertion_statement
    | immediate_assert_statement
immediate_assert_statement ::=
    assert ( expression ) action_block
```

### A.6.11 Clocking block

```
clocking_declaration ::= [ default ] clocking [ clocking_identifier ] clocking_event ;
    { clocking_item }
    endclocking [ : clocking_identifier ]
clocking_event ::=
    @ identifier
    | @ ( event_expression )
clocking_item ::=
    default default_skew ;
    | clocking_direction list_of_clocking_decl_assign ;
    | { attribute_instance } concurrent_assertion_item_declaration
default_skew ::=
    input clocking_skew
    | output clocking_skew
    | input clocking_skew output clocking_skew
clocking_direction ::=
    input [ clocking_skew ]
    | output [ clocking_skew ]
    | input [ clocking_skew ] output [ clocking_skew ]
    | inout
list_of_clocking_decl_assign ::= clocking_decl_assign { , clocking_decl_assign }
clocking_decl_assign ::= signal_identifier [ = expression ]
clocking_skew ::=
    edge_identifier [ delay_control ]
    | delay_control
clocking_drive ::=
    clockvar_expression <= [ cycle_delay ] expression
    | cycle_delay clockvar_expression <= expression
cycle_delay ::=
    ## integral_number
    | ## identifier
    | ## ( expression )
clockvar ::= hierarchical_identifier
clockvar_expression ::= clockvar select
```

### A.6.12 Randsequence

```

randsequence_statement ::= randsequence ( [ production_identifier ] )
                           production { production }
                           endsequence

production ::= [ function_data_type ] production_identifier [ ( tf_port_list ) ] : rs_rule { | rs_rule } ;

rs_rule ::= rs_production_list [ := weight_specification [ rs_code_block ] ]

rs_production_list ::=
    rs_prod { rs_prod }
    | rand join ( ( expression ) ) production_item production_item { production_item }

weight_specification ::=
    integral_number
    | ps_identifier
    | ( expression )

rs_code_block ::= { { data_declaration } { statement_or_null } }

rs_prod ::=
    production_item
    | rs_code_block
    | rs_if_else
    | rs_repeat
    | rs_case

production_item ::= production_identifier [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]

rs_if_else ::= if ( expression ) production_item [ else production_item ]

rs_repeat ::= repeat ( expression ) production_item

rs_case ::= case ( expression ) rs_case_item { rs_case_item } endcase

rs_case_item ::=
    expression { , expression } : production_item ;
    | default [ : ] production_item ;

```

## A.7 Specify section

### A.7.1 Specify block declaration

```

specify_block ::= specify { specify_item } endspecify

specify_item ::=
    specparam_declaration
    | pulsestyle_declaration
    | showcanceled_declaration
    | path_declaration
    | system_timing_check

pulsestyle_declaration ::=
    pulsestyle_onevent list_of_path_outputs ;
    | pulsestyle_ondetect list_of_path_outputs ;

showcancelled_declaration ::=
    showcancelled list_of_path_outputs ;
    | noshowcancelled list_of_path_outputs ;

```

### A.7.2 Specify path declarations

```

path_declaration ::=
    simple_path_declaration ;
    | edge_sensitive_path_declaration ;
    | state_dependent_path_declaration ;
simple_path_declaration ::=
    parallel_path_description = path_delay_value
    | full_path_description = path_delay_value
parallel_path_description ::=
    ( specify_input_terminal_descriptor [ polarity_operator ] => specify_output_terminal_descriptor )
full_path_description ::=
    ( list_of_path_inputs [ polarity_operator ] *> list_of_path_outputs )
list_of_path_inputs ::=
    specify_input_terminal_descriptor { , specify_input_terminal_descriptor }
list_of_path_outputs ::=
    specify_output_terminal_descriptor { , specify_output_terminal_descriptor }

```

### A.7.3 Specify block terminals

```

specify_input_terminal_descriptor ::=
    input_identifier [ [ constant_range_expression ] ]
specify_output_terminal_descriptor ::=
    output_identifier [ [ constant_range_expression ] ]
input_identifier ::= input_port_identifier | inout_port_identifier | interface_identifier.port_identifier
output_identifier ::= output_port_identifier | inout_port_identifier | interface_identifier.port_identifier

```

### A.7.4 Specify path delays

```

path_delay_value ::=
    list_of_path_delay_expressions
    | ( list_of_path_delay_expressions )
list_of_path_delay_expressions ::=
    t_path_delay_expression
    | trise_path_delay_expression , tfall_path_delay_expression
    | trise_path_delay_expression , tfall_path_delay_expression , tz_path_delay_expression
    | t01_path_delay_expression , t10_path_delay_expression , t0z_path_delay_expression ,
      tz1_path_delay_expression , t1z_path_delay_expression , tz0_path_delay_expression
    | t01_path_delay_expression , t10_path_delay_expression , t0z_path_delay_expression ,
      tz1_path_delay_expression , t1z_path_delay_expression , tz0_path_delay_expression ,
      t0x_path_delay_expression , tx1_path_delay_expression , t1x_path_delay_expression ,
      tx0_path_delay_expression , txz_path_delay_expression , txz_path_delay_expression
t_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
trise_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tfall_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tz_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
t01_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
t10_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression

```

```

t0z_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tz1_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
t1z_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tz0_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
t0x_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tx1_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
t1x_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tx0_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
txz_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
tzx_path_delay_expression ::= path_delay_expression
path_delay_expression ::= constant_mintypmax_expression
edge_sensitive_path_declaration ::=
    parallel_edge_sensitive_path_description = path_delay_value
    | full_edge_sensitive_path_description = path_delay_value
parallel_edge_sensitive_path_description ::=
    ( [ edge_identifier ] specify_input_terminal_descriptor =>
      ( specify_output_terminal_descriptor [ polarity_operator ] : data_source_expression ) )
full_edge_sensitive_path_description ::=
    ( [ edge_identifier ] list_of_path_inputs *>
      ( list_of_path_outputs [ polarity_operator ] : data_source_expression ) )
data_source_expression ::= expression
edge_identifier ::= posedge | negedge
state_dependent_path_declaration ::=
    if ( module_path_expression ) simple_path_declaration
    | if ( module_path_expression ) edge_sensitive_path_declaration
    | ifnone simple_path_declaration
polarity_operator ::= + | -

```

## A.7.5 System timing checks

### A.7.5.1 System timing check commands

```

system_timing_check ::=
    $setup_timing_check
    | $hold_timing_check
    | $setuphold_timing_check
    | $recovery_timing_check
    | $removal_timing_check
    | $recrem_timing_check
    | $skew_timing_check
    | $timeskew_timing_check
    | $fullskew_timing_check
    | $period_timing_check
    | $width_timing_check
    | $nochange_timing_check
$setup_timing_check ::=
    $setup ( data_event , reference_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] ) ;
$hold_timing_check ::=

```

```

$hold ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$setuphold_timing_check ::=
    $setuphold ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit , timing_check_limit
        [ , [ notifier ] ] [ , [ stamptime_condition ] ] [ , [ checktime_condition ]
        [ , [ delayed_reference ] [ , [ delayed_data ] ] ] ] );

$recovery_timing_check ::=
    $recovery ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$removal_timing_check ::=
    $removal ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$secrem_timing_check ::=
    $secrem ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit , timing_check_limit
        [ , [ notifier ] ] [ , [ stamptime_condition ] ] [ , [ checktime_condition ]
        [ , [ delayed_reference ] [ , [ delayed_data ] ] ] ] );

$skew_timing_check ::=
    $skew ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$timeskew_timing_check ::=
    $timeskew ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit
        [ , [ notifier ] ] [ , [ event_based_flag ] ] [ , [ remain_active_flag ] ] );

$fullskew_timing_check ::=
    $fullskew ( reference_event , data_event , timing_check_limit , timing_check_limit
        [ , [ notifier ] ] [ , [ event_based_flag ] ] [ , [ remain_active_flag ] ] );

$period_timing_check ::=
    $period ( controlled_reference_event , timing_check_limit [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$width_timing_check ::=
    $width ( controlled_reference_event , timing_check_limit , threshold [ , [ notifier ] ] );

$nochange_timing_check ::=
    $nochange ( reference_event , data_event , start_edge_offset ,
        end_edge_offset [ , [ notifier ] ] );

```

#### A.7.5.2 System timing check command arguments

```

checktime_condition ::= mintypmax_expression
controlled_reference_event ::= controlled_timing_check_event
data_event ::= timing_check_event
delayed_data ::=
    terminal_identifier
    | terminal_identifier [ constant_mintypmax_expression ]
delayed_reference ::=
    terminal_identifier
    | terminal_identifier [ constant_mintypmax_expression ]
end_edge_offset ::= mintypmax_expression
event_based_flag ::= constant_expression
notifier ::= variable_identifier
reference_event ::= timing_check_event
remain_active_flag ::= constant_mintypmax_expression
stamptime_condition ::= mintypmax_expression
start_edge_offset ::= mintypmax_expression
threshold ::= constant_expression

```

timing\_check\_limit ::= expression

### A.7.5.3 System timing check event definitions

```

timing_check_event ::=
    [timing_check_event_control] specify_terminal_descriptor [ &&& timing_check_condition ]
controlled_timing_check_event ::=
    timing_check_event_control specify_terminal_descriptor [ &&& timing_check_condition ]
timing_check_event_control ::=
    posedge
    | negedge
    | edge_control_specifier
specify_terminal_descriptor ::=
    specify_input_terminal_descriptor
    | specify_output_terminal_descriptor
edge_control_specifier ::= edge [ edge_descriptor { , edge_descriptor } ]
edge_descriptor1 ::= 01 | 10 | z_or_x zero_or_one | zero_or_one z_or_x
zero_or_one ::= 0 | 1
z_or_x ::= x | X | z | Z
timing_check_condition ::=
    scalar_timing_check_condition
    | ( scalar_timing_check_condition )
scalar_timing_check_condition ::=
    expression
    | ~ expression
    | expression == scalar_constant
    | expression === scalar_constant
    | expression != scalar_constant
    | expression !== scalar_constant
scalar_constant ::= 1'b0 | 1'b1 | 1'B0 | 1'B1 | 'b0 | 'b1 | 'B0 | 'B1 | 1 | 0

```

## A.8 Expressions

### A.8.1 Concatenations

```

concatenation ::=
    { expression { , expression } }
constant_concatenation ::=
    { constant_expression { , constant_expression } }
constant_multiple_concatenation ::= { constant_expression constant_concatenation }
module_path_concatenation ::= { module_path_expression { , module_path_expression } }
module_path_multiple_concatenation ::= { constant_expression module_path_concatenation }
multiple_concatenation ::= { expression concatenation }18
streaming_concatenation ::= { stream_operator [ slice_size ] stream_concatenation }
stream_operator ::= >> | <<
slice_size ::= simple_type | constant_expression
stream_concatenation ::= { stream_expression { , stream_expression } }

```

```
stream_expression ::= expression [ with [ array_range_expression ] ]
array_range_expression ::=
    expression
    | expression : expression
    | expression +: expression
    | expression -: expression
empty_queue21 ::= { }
```

## A.8.2 Subroutine calls

```
constant_function_call ::= function_subroutine_call24
tf_call36 ::= ps_or_hierarchical_tf_identifier { attribute_instance } [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]
system_tf_call ::=
    system_tf_identifier [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]
    | system_tf_identifier ( data_type [ , expression ] )
subroutine_call ::=
    tf_call
    | system_tf_call
    | method_call
    | randomize_call
function_subroutine_call ::= subroutine_call
list_of_arguments ::=
    [ expression ] { , [ expression ] } { , . identifier ( [ expression ] ) }
    | . identifier ( [ expression ] ) { , . identifier ( [ expression ] ) }
method_call ::= method_call_root . method_call_body
method_call_body ::=
    method_identifier { attribute_instance } [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]
    | built_in_method_call
built_in_method_call ::=
    array_manipulation_call
    | randomize_call
array_manipulation_call ::=
    array_method_name { attribute_instance }
    [ ( list_of_arguments ) ]
    [ with ( expression ) ]
randomize_call ::=
    randomize { attribute_instance }
    [ ( [ variable_identifier_list | null ] ) ]
    [ with constraint_block ]
method_call_root ::= expression | implicit_class_handle
array_method_name ::=
    method_identifier | unique | and | or | xor
```

## A.8.3 Expressions

```
inc_or_dec_expression ::=
    inc_or_dec_operator { attribute_instance } variable_lvalue
    | variable_lvalue { attribute_instance } inc_or_dec_operator
```



```

conditional_expression ::= cond_predicate ? { attribute_instance } expression : expression
constant_expression ::=
    constant_primary
    | unary_operator { attribute_instance } constant_primary
    | constant_expression binary_operator { attribute_instance } constant_expression
    | constant_expression ? { attribute_instance } constant_expression : constant_expression
constant_mintypmax_expression ::=
    constant_expression
    | constant_expression : constant_expression : constant_expression
constant_param_expression ::=
    constant_mintypmax_expression | data_type | $
param_expression ::= mintypmax_expression | data_type
constant_range_expression ::=
    constant_expression
    | constant_part_select_range
constant_part_select_range ::=
    constant_range
    | constant_indexed_range
constant_range ::= constant_expression : constant_expression
constant_indexed_range ::=
    constant_expression +: constant_expression
    | constant_expression -: constant_expression
expression ::=
    primary
    | unary_operator { attribute_instance } primary
    | inc_or_dec_expression
    | ( operator_assignment )
    | expression binary_operator { attribute_instance } expression
    | conditional_expression
    | inside_expression
    | tagged_union_expression
tagged_union_expression ::=
    tagged member_identifier [ expression ]
inside_expression ::= expression inside { open_range_list }
value_range ::=
    expression
    | [ expression : expression ]
mintypmax_expression ::=
    expression
    | expression : expression : expression
module_path_conditional_expression ::= module_path_expression ? { attribute_instance }
    module_path_expression : module_path_expression
module_path_expression ::=
    module_path_primary
    | unary_module_path_operator { attribute_instance } module_path_primary
    | module_path_expression binary_module_path_operator { attribute_instance }
        module_path_expression
    | module_path_conditional_expression
module_path_mintypmax_expression ::=
    module_path_expression

```

```

    | module_path_expression : module_path_expression : module_path_expression
part_select_range ::= constant_range | indexed_range
indexed_range ::=
    expression +: constant_expression
    | expression -: constant_expression
genvar_expression ::= constant_expression

```

#### A.8.4 Primaries

```

constant_primary ::=
    primary_literal
    | ps_parameter_identifier constant_select
    | specparam_identifier [ constant_range_expression ]
    | genvar_identifier32
    | [ package_scope | class_scope ] enum_identifier
    | constant_concatenation
    | constant_multiple_concatenation
    | constant_function_call
    | ( constant_mintypmax_expression )
    | constant_cast
    | constant_assignment_pattern_expression
    | type_reference29
module_path_primary ::=
    number
    | identifier
    | module_path_concatenation
    | module_path_multiple_concatenation
    | function_subroutine_call
    | ( module_path_mintypmax_expression )
primary ::=
    primary_literal
    | [ implicit_class_handle . | class_scope | package_scope ] hierarchical_identifier select
    | empty_queue
    | concatenation
    | multiple_concatenation
    | function_subroutine_call
    | ( mintypmax_expression )
    | cast
    | assignment_pattern_expression
    | streaming_concatenation
    | sequence_method_call
    | this6
    | $22
    | null
time_literal5 ::=
    unsigned_number time_unit
    | fixed_point_number time_unit
time_unit ::= s | ms | us | ns | ps | fs | step
implicit_class_handle6 ::= this | super | this . super
bit_select ::= { [ expression ] }

```

```

select ::=
    [ { . member_identifier bit_select } . member_identifier ] bit_select [ [ part_select_range ] ]
constant_bit_select ::= { [ constant_expression ] }
constant_select ::=
    [ { . member_identifier constant_bit_select } . member_identifier ] constant_bit_select
    [ [ constant_part_select_range ] ]
primary_literal ::= number | time_literal | unbased_unsized_literal | string_literal
constant_cast ::=
    casting_type ' ( constant_expression )
cast ::=
    casting_type ' ( expression )

```

### A.8.5 Expression left-side values

```

net_lvalue ::=
    ps_or_hierarchical_net_identifier constant_select
    | { net_lvalue { , net_lvalue } }
    | [ assignment_pattern_expression_type ] assignment_pattern_net_lvalue
variable_lvalue ::=
    [ implicit_class_handle . | package_scope ] hierarchical_variable_identifier select
    | { variable_lvalue { , variable_lvalue } }
    | [ assignment_pattern_expression_type ] assignment_pattern_variable_lvalue
    | streaming_concatenation30

```

### A.8.6 Operators

```

unary_operator ::=
    + | - | ! | ~ | & | ~& | || | ~| | ^ | ~^ | ^~
binary_operator ::=
    + | - | * | / | % | == | != | === | !== | ==? | !=? | && | || | **
    | < | <= | > | >= | & | || | ^ | ^~ | ~^ | >> | << | >>> | <<<
inc_or_dec_operator ::= ++ | --
unary_module_path_operator ::=
    ! | ~ | & | ~& | || | ~| | ^ | ~^ | ^~
binary_module_path_operator ::=
    == | != | && | || | & | || | ^ | ^~ | ~^

```

### A.8.7 Numbers

```

number ::=
    integral_number
    | real_number
integral_number ::=
    decimal_number
    | octal_number
    | binary_number
    | hex_number
decimal_number ::=

```

```

        unsigned_number
        | [ size ] decimal_base unsigned_number
        | [ size ] decimal_base x_digit { _ }
        | [ size ] decimal_base z_digit { _ }
binary_number ::= [ size ] binary_base binary_value
octal_number ::= [ size ] octal_base octal_value
hex_number ::= [ size ] hex_base hex_value
sign ::= + | -
size ::= non_zero_unsigned_number
non_zero_unsigned_number1 ::= non_zero_decimal_digit { _ | decimal_digit }
real_number1 ::=
    fixed_point_number
    | unsigned_number [ . unsigned_number ] exp [ sign ] unsigned_number
fixed_point_number1 ::= unsigned_number . unsigned_number
exp ::= e | E
unsigned_number1 ::= decimal_digit { _ | decimal_digit }
binary_value1 ::= binary_digit { _ | binary_digit }
octal_value1 ::= octal_digit { _ | octal_digit }
hex_value1 ::= hex_digit { _ | hex_digit }
decimal_base1 ::= '[sS]d' | '[sS]D'
binary_base1 ::= '[sS]b' | '[sS]B'
octal_base1 ::= '[sS]o' | '[sS]O'
hex_base1 ::= '[sS]h' | '[sS]H'
non_zero_decimal_digit ::= 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9
decimal_digit ::= 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9
binary_digit ::= x_digit | z_digit | 0 | 1
octal_digit ::= x_digit | z_digit | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7
hex_digit ::= x_digit | z_digit | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | a | b | c | d | e | f | A | B | C | D | E | F
x_digit ::= x | X
z_digit ::= z | Z | ?
unbased_unsized_literal ::= '0' | '1' | 'z_or_x' 10

```

## A.8.8 Strings

```
string_literal ::= " { Any_ASCII_Characters } "
```

## A.9 General

### A.9.1 Attributes

```

attribute_instance ::= (* attr_spec { , attr_spec } *)
attr_spec ::= attr_name [ = constant_expression ]

```

attr\_name ::= identifier

### A.9.2 Comments

```
comment ::=
    one_line_comment
  | block_comment
one_line_comment ::= // comment_text \n
block_comment ::= /* comment_text */
comment_text ::= { Any_ASCII_character }
```

### A.9.3 Identifiers

```
array_identifier ::= identifier
block_identifier ::= identifier
bin_identifier ::= identifier
c_identifier2 ::= [ a-zA-Z_ ] { [ a-zA-Z0-9_ ] }
cell_identifier ::= identifier
class_identifier ::= identifier
class_variable_identifier ::= variable_identifier
clocking_identifier ::= identifier
config_identifier ::= identifier
const_identifier ::= identifier
constraint_identifier ::= identifier
covergroup_identifier ::= identifier
covergroup_variable_identifier ::= variable_identifier
cover_point_identifier ::= identifier
dynamic_array_variable_identifier ::= variable_identifier
enum_identifier ::= identifier
escaped_identifier ::= \ {any_ASCII_character_except_white_space} white_space
formal_identifier ::= identifier
function_identifier ::= identifier
generate_block_identifier ::= identifier
genvar_identifier ::= identifier
hierarchical_block_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_dynamic_array_variable_identifier ::= hierarchical_variable_identifier
hierarchical_event_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_identifier ::= [ $root . ] { identifier constant_bit_select . } identifier
hierarchical_net_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_parameter_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_task_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_tf_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
hierarchical_variable_identifier ::= hierarchical_identifier
identifier ::=
```

```

    simple_identifier
  | escaped_identifier
index_variable_identifier ::= identifier
interface_identifier ::= identifier
interface_instance_identifier ::= identifier
inout_port_identifier ::= identifier
input_port_identifier ::= identifier
instance_identifier ::= identifier
library_identifier ::= identifier
member_identifier ::= identifier
method_identifier ::= identifier
modport_identifier ::= identifier
module_identifier ::= identifier
net_identifier ::= identifier
output_port_identifier ::= identifier
package_identifier ::= identifier
package_scope ::=
    package_identifier ::
    | Sunit ::
parameter_identifier ::= identifier
port_identifier ::= identifier
production_identifier ::= identifier
program_identifier ::= identifier
property_identifier ::= identifier
ps_class_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] class_identifier
ps_covergroup_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] covergroup_identifier
ps_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] identifier
ps_or_hierarchical_net_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] net_identifier | hierarchical_net_identifier
ps_or_hierarchical_tf_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] tf_identifier | hierarchical_tf_identifier
ps_parameter_identifier ::=
    [ package_scope ] parameter_identifier
    | { generate_block_identifier [ constant_expression ] . } parameter_identifier
ps_property_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] property_identifier
ps_sequence_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] sequence_identifier
ps_type_identifier ::= [ package_scope ] type_identifier
sequence_identifier ::= identifier
signal_identifier ::= identifier
simple_identifier2 ::= [ a-zA-Z ] { [ a-zA-Z0-9_$ ] }
specparam_identifier ::= identifier
system_tf_identifier3 ::= $ [ a-zA-Z0-9_$ ] { [ a-zA-Z0-9_$ ] }
task_identifier ::= identifier
tf_identifier ::= identifier
terminal_identifier ::= identifier
topmodule_identifier ::= identifier

```

```

type_identifier ::= identifier
udp_identifier ::= identifier
variable_identifier ::= identifier

```

#### A.9.4 White space

```
white_space ::= space | tab | newline | eof4
```

### A.10 Footnotes (normative)

- 1) Embedded spaces are illegal.
- 2) A `simple_identifier`, `c_identifier`, and `arrayed_reference` shall start with an alpha or underscore ( `_` ) character, shall have at least one character, and shall not have any spaces.
- 3) The `$` character in a `system_tf_identifier` shall not be followed by `white_space`. A `system_tf_identifier` shall not be escaped.
- 4) End of file.
- 5) The unsigned number or fixed-point number in `time_literal` shall not be followed by a `white_space`.
- 6) `implicit_class_handle` shall only appear within the scope of a `class_declaration` or out-of-block method declaration.
- 7) In any one declaration, only one of **protected** or **local** is allowed, only one of **rand** or **randc** is allowed, and **static** and/or **virtual** can appear only once.
- 8) `dpi_function_proto` return types are restricted to small values, per [26.4.5](#).
- 9) Formals of `dpi_function_proto` and `dpi_task_proto` cannot use pass-by-reference mode, and class types cannot be passed at all; for the complete set of restrictions, see [26.4.6](#).
- 10) The apostrophe ( `'` ) in `unbased_unsized_literal` shall not be followed by `white_space`.
- 11) In `packed_dimension`, `unsized_dimension` is permitted only in declarations of import DPI functions; see `dpi_function_proto`.
- 12) When a packed dimension is used with the **struct** or **union** keyword, the **packed** keyword shall also be used.
- 13) A charge strength shall only be used with the **trireg** keyword. When the **vectored** or **scalared** keyword is used, there shall be at least one packed dimension.
- 14) In a `data_declaration` that is not within the procedural context, it shall be illegal to use the **automatic** keyword. In a `data_declaration`, it shall be illegal to omit the explicit `data_type` before a `list_of_variable_decl_assignments` unless the **var** keyword is used.
- 15) It shall be legal to omit the `covergroup_variable_identifier` from a `covergroup` instantiation only if this implicit instantiation is within a class that has no other instantiation of the `covergroup`.
- 16) The `.*` token shall appear at most once in a list of port connections.
- 17) A `timeunits_declaration` shall be legal as a `non_port_module_item`, `non_port_interface_item`, `non_port_program_item`, `package_item`, or `class_item` only if it repeats and matches a previous `timeunits_declaration` within the same time scope.
- 18) In a `multiple_concatenation`, it shall be illegal for the multiplier not to be a `constant_expression` unless the type of the concatenation is string.
- 19) In a shallow copy, the expression must evaluate to an object handle.
- 20) It shall be legal to use the **\$** primary in an `open_value_range` of the form `[ expression : $ ]` or `[ $ : expression ]`.
- 21) `{ }` shall only be legal in the context of a queue.

- 22) The **\$** primary shall be legal only in a select for a queue variable or in an open\_value\_range.
- 23) A type\_identifier shall be legal as an enum\_base\_type if it denotes an integer\_atom\_type, with which an additional packed dimension is not permitted, or an integer\_vector\_type.
- 24) In a constant\_function\_call, all arguments shall be constant\_expressions.
- 25) The list\_of\_port\_declarations syntax is explained in 19.8, which also imposes various semantic restrictions, e.g., a **ref** port must be of a variable type and an **inout** port must not be. It shall be illegal to initialize a port that is not a variable **output** port.
- 26) It shall be legal to declare a **void** struct\_union\_member only within tagged unions.
- 27) An expression that is used as the argument in a type\_reference shall not contain any hierarchical references or references to elements of dynamic objects.
- 28) When a type\_reference is used in a net declaration, it shall be preceded by a net type keyword; and when it is used in a variable declaration, it shall be preceded by the **var** keyword.
- 29) It shall be legal to use a type\_reference constant\_primary as the casting\_type in a static cast. It shall be illegal for a type\_reference constant\_primary to be used with any operators except the equality/inequality and case equality/inequality operators.
- 30) A streaming\_concatenation expression shall not be nested within another variable\_lvalue. A streaming\_concatenation shall not be the target of the increment or decrement operator nor the target of any assignment operator except the simple ( = ) or nonblocking assignment ( <= ) operator.
- 31) Within an interface\_declaration, it shall only be legal for a module\_or\_interface\_or\_generate\_item to be an interface\_or\_generate\_item. Within a module\_declaration, except when also within an interface\_declaration, it shall only be legal for a module\_or\_interface\_or\_generate\_item to be a module\_or\_generate\_item.
- 32) A genvar\_identifier shall be legal in a constant\_primary only within a genvar\_expression.
- 33) When a net\_port\_type contains a data\_type, it shall only be legal to omit the explicit net\_type when declaring an **inout** port.
- 34) In a tf\_port\_item, it shall be illegal to omit the explicit port\_identifier except within a function\_prototype or task\_prototype.
- 35) In a constant\_assignment\_pattern\_expression, all member expressions shall be constant expressions.
- 36) It shall be illegal to omit the parentheses in a tf\_call unless the subroutine is a task, void function, or class method. If the subroutine is a nonvoid class function method, it shall be illegal to omit the parentheses if the call is directly recursive.
- 37) It shall be illegal for a program\_generate\_item to include any item that would be illegal in a program\_declaration outside of a program\_generate\_item.



## Annex B

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### Keywords

SystemVerilog reserves the keywords listed in [Table B-1](#).

Legend:

— \* indicates SystemVerilog reserved words that are not reserved in IEEE Std 1364.

**Table B-1—Reserved keywords**

alias*	endmodule	matches*	small
always	endpackage*	medium	solve*
always_comb*	endprimitive	modport*	specify
always_ff*	endprogram*	module	specparam
always_latch*	endproperty*	nand	static*
and	endspecify	negedge	string*
assert*	endsequence*	new*	strong0
assign	endtable	nmos	strong1
assume*	endtask	nor	struct*
automatic	enum*	noshowcancelled	super*
before*	event	not	supply0
begin	expect*	notif0	supply1
bind*	export*	notif1	table
bins*	extends*	null*	tagged*
binsof*	extern*	or	task
bit*	final*	output	this*
break*	first_match*	package*	throughout*
buf	for	packed*	time
bufif0	force	parameter	timeprecision*
bufif1	foreach*	pmos	timeunit*
byte*	forever	posedge	tran
case	fork	primitive	tranif0
casex	forkjoin*	priority*	tranif1
casez	function	program*	tri
cell	generate	property*	tri0
chandle*	genvar	protected*	tri1
class*	highz0	pull0	triand
clocking*	highz1	pull1	trior
cmos	if	pulldown	trireg
config	iff*	pullup	type*
const*	ifnone	pulstyle_oneevent	typedef*
constraint*	ignore_bins*	pulstyle_ondetect	union*
context*	illegal_bins*	pure*	unique*
continue*	import*	rand*	unsigned
cover*	incdir	randc*	use
covergroup*	include	randcase*	uwire
coverpoint*	initial	randsequence*	var*
cross*	inout	rcmos	vectored
deassign	input	real	virtual*
default	inside*	realtime	void*
defparam	instance	ref*	wait
design	int*	reg	wait_order*
disable	integer	release	wand
dist*	interface*	repeat	weak0
do*	intersect*	return*	weak1
edge	join	rnmos	while
else	join_any*	rpmos	wildcard*
end	join_none*	rtran	wire
endcase	large	rtranif0	with*
endclass*	liblist	rtranif1	within*
endclocking*	library	scalared	wor
endconfig	local*	sequence*	xnor
endfunction	localparam	shortint*	xor
endgenerate	logic*	shortreal*	
endgroup*	longint*	showcancelled	
endinterface*	macromodule	signed	

## Annex C

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### Std package

#### C.1 General

The standard package contains system types (see [8.10.1](#)). The following types are provided by the std built-in package. The descriptions of the semantics of these types are defined in the indicated subclauses.

#### C.2 Semaphore

The semaphore class is described in [14.2](#), and its prototype is as follows:

```

class semaphore;
    function new(int keyCount = 0);
    task put(int keyCount = 1);
    task get(int keyCount = 1);
    function int try_get(int keyCount = 1);
endclass

```

#### C.3 Mailbox

The mailbox class is described in [14.3](#), and its prototype is as follows:

The *dynamic\_singular\_type* below represents a special type that enables run-time type checking.

```

class mailbox #(type T = dynamic_singular_type) ;
    function new(int bound = 0);
    function int num();
    task put( T message);
    function int try_put( T message);
    task get( ref T message );
    function int try_get( ref T message );
    task peek( ref T message );
    function int try_peek( ref T message );
endclass

```

#### C.4 Randomize

The randomize function is described in [13.11](#), and its prototype is as follows:

```

function int randomize( ... );

```

The syntax for the randomize function is as follows:

```

randomize( variable_identifier {, variable_identifier } )
    [ with constraint_block ];

```

## C.5 Process

The process class is described in [11.9](#), and its prototype is as follows:

```
class process;  
    enum state { FINISHED, RUNNING, WAITING, SUSPENDED, KILLED };  
  
    static function process self();  
    function state status();  
    task kill();  
    task await();  
    task suspend();  
    task resume();  
endclass
```