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Integer Sij(#ports, #ports) ! allocate space for handles
                      for each Framis in the full matrix
Sij(1:#ports,1:#ports)=0 ! initialize all Framis to null
! Treat all text after [Sparse Matrix Mapping] until next
             [] keyword as a single string called String
Colon_Number = 0
                        ! initialize colon number to null
For (each : in String)
  Colon Number = Colon Number + 1 ! this must be <=
                        [Number of Framis] ; else an ERROR
  Verify that ":" is preceded by an integer number ==
                         Colon_Number ; else an ERROR
  For each "(" following this ":", and before the next ":"
      Find matching ")" ; else an ERROR
      Parse (i,j) for i and j ; else an ERROR
      Verify i, and j are >0, and <= #ports ; else an ERROR
      Verify Sij(ij)==0, or == Colon Number ; else an ERROR
      Sij(i,j) = Colon_Number
      If (Matrix is symmetric)
       Verify Sij(ji)==0, or == Colon_Number ; else ERROR
        Sij(j,i) = Colon_Number
      Endif
  Endfor
Endfor
Verify Colon Number==[Number of Framis] ; else an ERROR
Good practice would be to require the number preceding the
":" be on the same line as the ":", but the above pseudo
code does not require it. This can be enforced by changing:
    Verify that ":" is preceded by an integer number ==
                              Colon_Number ; else an ERROR
То
    Verify that ":" is preceded by an integer number before
    the next preceding <lf> or <cr> and this number ==
    Colon_Number ; else an ERROR
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