Intended function of xml-defined piecewise functions in AWIPS II

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This example is for where the maximum display range is one byte (256
discrete values).
DEFINED: Let A be a one-dimensional array containing byte values,
including the minimum (0) and maximum (255) value in ascending order -
Example ( 0 10 50 255 )
DEFINED: Let B be a one-dimensional array containing float (or
similar) values, including the minimum and maximum value (any real) -
Example ( 65.0 77.7 90.9 100.1 )
USED: Let C be an integer counter value
PRODUCED: Let D be a one-dimensional array containing float values,
with elements numbering one more than maximum value in array A (256)
A and B must
     be the same size and
     contain at least two elements each
For linear case (default)
     X=0,Y=0 (Assuming array element 0 is first element in array)
     C=0
     For each element index Y in array D except last element, do
      If Y is greater than or equal to value A(X)
       X++
       C=0
      End if
      D(Y) = B(X) + (B(X+1) - B(X)) / (A(X+1) - A(X)) *C
      C++
     End for
     D(Y+1)=B(X+1) # last element in array D
For logarithmic (ln) case
     X=0,Y=0 (Assuming array element 0 is first element in array)
     C=0
     For each element index Y in array D except last element, do
      If Y is greater than or equal to value A(X)
       X++
       C=0
      End if
      D(Y) = B(X) + ln(1+(B(X+1)-B(X))/(A(X+1)-A(X)))*C
      C++
     End for
     D(Y+1)=B(X+1) # last element in array D
The resulting generic element index Y in array D corresponds to float
value D(Y) as defined by piecewise float points in array B and their
corresponding break point byte value in array A
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