

# **AXI4 VVC** – Quick Reference

=> "Writing data to Peripheral 1");

For general information see UVVM VVC Framework Essential Mechanisms located in uvvm\_vvc\_framework/doc.

```
axi_write (VVCT, vvc_instance_idx, awid, awaddr, awlen, awsize, awburst, awlock, awcache, awprot, awqos, awregion, awuser, wdata, wstrb, wuser,
bresp exp, buser exp, msg, [scope])
Example: axi_write(
         VVCT
                         => AXI VVCT,
         vvc_instance_idx => 1,
                         => x"01".
         awid
                         => x"00000004",
          awaddr
          awlen
                         => x"01",
          awsize
                         => 4,
                         => INCR,
         awburst
                         => NORMAL,
         awlock
                         => "0000".
          awcache
          awprot
                         => UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA,
                         => "0000",
          awqos
                         => "0000".
          awregion
          awuser
                         => x"01",
                         => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
          wdata
                         => t_slv_array'(x"F", x"F"),
          wstrb
          wuser
                         => t_slv_array'(x"01", x"01"),
                         => OKAY,
         buser_exp
         bresp_exp
                         => x"01".
```

```
VVC
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axi\_vvc.vhd

```
axi read (VVCT, vvc instance idx, arid, araddr, arlen, arsize, airburst, arlock, arcache, arprot, argos, arregion, aruser, data routing, msg, [scope])
Example: axi_read(
          VVCT
                          => AXI VVCT,
          vvc_instance_idx => 1,
          arid
                          => x"01",
          araddr
                          => x"00000004".
          arlen
                          => x"01",
          arsize
                          => 4,
                          => INCR,
          arburst
          arlock
                          => NORMAL,
                          => "0000",
          arcache
          arprot
                          => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA.
                          => "0000",
          argos
                          => "0000",
          arregion
          aruser
                          => x"01",
                          => TO_SB,
          data_routing
                          => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to scoreboard");
```



VHDL 2008 only

msg



```
axi_check (VVCT, vvc_instance_idx, arid, araddr, arlen, arsize, airburst, arlock, arcache, arprot, arqos, arregion, aruser, rdata_exp, rresp_exp, ruser_exp, msg, [alert_level, [scope]])
```

```
Example: axi_check(
          VVCT
                          => AXI VVCT,
          vvc_instance_idx => 1,
          arid
                          => x"01",
          araddr
                          => x"00000004",
          arlen
                          => x"01",
          arsize
                          => 4,
                          => INCR,
          arburst
                          => NORMAL,
          arlock
                          => "0000",
          arcache
                          => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA.
          arprot
                          => "0000",
          arqos
                          => "0000",
          arregion
                          => x"01",
          aruser
          rdata exp
                          => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
                          => t_xresp_array'(OKAY, OKAY),
          rresp_exp
          ruser_exp
                          => t_slv_array'(x"00", x"00"),
                          => "Check data from Peripheral 1");
          msg
```

#### AXI4 VVC Configuration record 'vvc\_config' -- accessible via shared\_axi\_vvc\_config

Record element	Туре	C_AXI_VVC_CONFIG_DEFAULT
inter_bfm_delay	t_inter_bfm_delay	C_AXI_INTER_BFM_DELAY_DEFAULT
[cmd/result]_queue_count_max	natural	C_[CMD/RESULT]_QUEUE_COUNT_MAX
[cmd/result]_queue_count_threshold	natural	C_[CMD/RESULT]_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD
[cmd/result]_queue_count_threshold_severity	t_alert_level	C_[CMD/RESULT]_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY
bfm_config	t_axi_bfm_config	C_AXI_BFM_CONFIG_DEFAULT
msg_id_panel	t_msg_id_panel	C_VVC_MSG_ID_PANEL_DEFAULT

#### AXI4 VVC Status record signal 'vvc status' -- accessible via shared axi vvc status

Record element	Туре	
current_cmd_idx	natural	
previous_cmd_idx	natural	
pending_cmd_cnt	natural	

### Common VVC procedures applicable for this VVC

- See UVVM Methods QuickRef for details.

await\_completion()

enable\_log\_msg()

 ${\bf disable\_log\_msg}()$ 

fetch\_result()

flush\_command\_queue()

terminate\_current\_command()

terminate all commands()

insert\_delay()

get\_last\_received\_cmd\_idx()



# VVC target parameters

Name	Туре	Example(s)	Description
VVCT	t_vvc_target_record	AXI_VVCT	VVC target type compiled into each VVC in order to differentiate between VVCs.
vvc_instance_idx	integer	1	Instance number of the VVC

# VVC functional parameters

Name	Туре	Example(s)	Description
axid	std_logic_vector	x"01"	Identification tag for a read or write transaction
axaddr	unsigned	x"325A"	The address of the first transfer in a read or write transaction
axlen	unsigned(7 downto 0)	x"01"	The number of data transfers in a read or write transactions
axsize	Integer range 1 to 128	4	The number of bytes in each data transfer in a read or write transaction (Must be a power of two)
axburst	t_axburst	INCR	Burst type, indicates how address changes between each transfer in a read or write transaction
axlock	t_axlock	NORMAL	Provides information about the atomic characteristics of a read or write transaction
axcache	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	"0000"	Indicates how a read or write transaction is required to progress through a system
axprot	t_axprot	UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA	Protection attributes of a read or write transaction. Privilege, security level and access type
axqos	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	"0000"	Quality of Service identifier for a read or write transaction
axregion	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	"0000"	Region indicator for a read or write transaction
axuser	std_logic_vector	x"01"	User-defined extension for the read or write address channel
wdata	t_slv_array	t_slv_array'(x"20D3", x"1234")	Array of data values to be written to the addressed registers
wstrb	t_slv_array	t_slv_array'("1111", "1111")	Array of write strobes, indicates which byte lanes hold valid data. (all '1' means all bytes are updated)
wuser	t_slv_array	t_slv_array'(x"00", x"01")	Array of user-defined extension for the write data channel
bresp_exp	t_xresp	OKAY Expected write response which indicates the status of a write transaction	
buser_exp	std_logic_vector	x"01" Expected user-defined extension for the write response channel	
rdata_exp	t_slv_array	t_slv_array'(x"ABCD", x"1234")	Array of expected read data values. A mismatch results in an alert 'alert_level'
rresp_exp	t_xresp_array	t_xresp_array'(OKAY, OKAY)  Array of expected read responses which indicates the status of a read transfer. A mismatch results in 'alert level'	
ruser_exp	t_slv_array	t_slv_array'(x"01", x"01")	Array of expected user-defined extensions for the read data channel. A mismatch results in an alert 'alert_level'
data_routing	t_data_routing	TO_SB	Selects the destination of the read data. Scoreboard: TO_SB or read buffer: TO_BUFFER
msg	string	"Send to peripheral 1"	A custom message to be appended in the log/alert
alert-level	t_alert_level	ERROR or TB_WARNING	Set the severity for the alert that may be asserted by the method.
scope	string	"AXI VVC"	A string describing the scope from which the log/alert originates. In a simple single sequencer typically "AXI BFM". In a verification component typically "AXI VVC ".

# VVC entity signals

Name	Туре	Description
clk	std_logic	VVC Clock signal
axi_vvc_master_if	t_axi_if	See AXI4 BFM documentation

# VVC entity generic constants

Name	Туре	Default	Description
GC_ADDR_WIDTH	integer	8	Width of the AXI4 address bus (AWADDR, ARADDR)
GC_DATA_WIDTH	integer	32 Width of the AXI4 data bus (WDATA, RDATA). The write strobe (WSTRB) is derived from this	
			(GC_DATA_WIDTH/8)



GC_ID_WIDTH	integer	8	Width of the AXI4 ID signals (AWID, BID, ARID, RID)
GC_USER_WIDTH	integer	8	Width of the AXI4 User signals (AWUSER, WUSER, BUSER, ARUSER, RUSER)
GC_INSTANCE_IDX	natural	1	Instance number to assign the VVC
GC_AXI_CONFIG	t_axi_bfm_config	C_AXI_BFM_CONFIG_DEFAULT	Configuration for the AXI4 BFM, see AXI4 BFM documentation.
GC_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_MAX	natural	1000	Absolute maximum number of commands in the VVC command queue
GC_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD	natural	950	An alert will be generated when reaching this threshold to indicate that the command queue is
			almost full. The queue will still accept new commands until it reaches
			C_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_MAX.
GC_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY	t_alert_level	WARNING	Alert severity which will be used when command queue reaches
			GC_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD.
GC_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_MAX	natural	1000	Maximum number of unfetched results before result_queue is full.
GC_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD	natural	950	An alert with severity 'result_queue_count_threshold_severity' will be issued if result queue
			exceeds this count. Used for early warning if result queue is almost full. Will be ignored if set to 0.
GC_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY	t_alert_level	WARNING	Severity of alert to be initiated if exceeding result_queue_count_threshold



# **VVC** details

All VVC procedures are defined in vvc\_methods\_pkg (dedicated this VVC), and uvvm\_vvc\_framework.td\_vvc\_framework\_common\_methods\_pkg (common VVC procedures) It is also possible to send a multicast to all instances of a VVC with ALL\_INSTANCES as parameter for vvc\_instance\_idx.

Note: Every procedure here can be called without the optional parameters enclosed in [].

## 1 VVC procedure details and examples

Pro	cedure	
axi	write()	

### Description

axi\_write(VVCT, vvc\_instance\_idx, awid, awaddr, awlen, awsize, awburst, awlock, awcache, awprot, awqos, awregion, awuser, wdata, wstrb, wuser, bresp\_exp, buser\_exp, msg, [scope])

The axi\_write() VVC procedure adds a write command to the AXI4 VVC executor queue, which will distribute this command to the various channel executors which in turn will run as soon as all preceding commands have completed. When the write command is scheduled to run, the executors call the AXI4 procedures in axi\_channel\_handler\_pkg.vhd. axi write can be called with or without parameters that already have a default value.

Parameter name	Туре	Default value
VVCT	t_vvc_target_record	None
vvc_instance_idx	integer	None
awid	std_logic_vector	0
awaddr	unsigned	None
awlen	unsigned(7 downto 0)	0
awsize	Integer range 1 to 128	4
awburst	t_axburst	INCR
awlock	t_axlock	NORMAL
awcache	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
awprot	t_axprot	UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA
awqos	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
awregion	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
awuser	std_logic_vector	0
wdata	t_slv_array	None
wstrb	t_slv_array	(others => '1') for all words
wuser	t_slv_array	0 for all words
bresp_exp	std_logic_vector(1 downto 0)	OKAY
buser_exp	std_logic_vector	0
msg	string	None
scope	string	"TB seq.(uvvm)"

#### Examples:

```
axi write(
 VVCT
                   => AXI VVCT,
 vvc instance idx => 1,
 awid
                   => x"01",
 awaddr
                   => x"00000004",
 awlen
                   => x"01",
 awsize
                   => 4,
 awburst
                   => INCR,
 awlock
                   => NORMAL,
                   => "0000",
 awcache
```



```
awprot
                   => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA,
 awqos
                   => "0000",
 awregion
                   => "0000",
 awuser
                   => x"01",
 wdata
                   => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
 wstrb
                   => t slv array'(x"F", x"F"),
 wuser
                   => t slv array'(x"01", x"01"),
                   => OKAY,
 bresp exp
                   => x"00",
 buser_exp
 msg
                   => "Writing data to Peripheral 1");
axi write(
 VVCT
                   => AXI VVCT,
 vvc instance idx => 1,
 awaddr
                   => x"00000004",
 wdata
                   => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
                   => "Writing data to Peripheral 1");
 msg
```

#### axi\_read()

#### axi\_read(VVCT, vvc\_instance\_idx, arid, araddr, arlen, arsize, airburst, arlock, arcache, arprot, arqos, arregion, aruser, data\_routing, msg, [scope])

The axi\_read() VVC procedure adds a read command to the AXI4 VVC executor queue, which will distribute this command to the various channel executors which in turn will run as soon as all preceding commands have completed. When the read command is scheduled to run, the executors call the AXI4 procedures in axi\_channel\_handler\_pkg.vhd.

The value read from the DUT will not be returned in this procedure call since it is non-blocking for the sequencer/caller. If the data\_routing parameter is set to TO\_BUFFER, the read data will be stored in the VVC for a potential future fetch (see example with fetch\_result() below). If the data\_routing parameter is set to TO\_SB, the received data will be sent to the AXI VVC dedicated scoreboard where it will be checked against the expected value (provided by the testbench)

Parameter name	Туре	Default value
VVCT	t_vvc_target_record	None
vvc_instance_idx	integer	None
arid	std_logic_vector	0
araddr	unsigned	None
arlen	unsigned(7 downto 0)	0
arsize	Integer range 1 to 128	4
arburst	t_axburst	INCR
arlock	t_axlock	NORMAL
arcache	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
arprot	t_axprot	UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA
arqos	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
arregion	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0
aruser	std_logic_vector	0
data_routing	t_data_routing	None
msg	string	None
scope	string	"TB seq.(uvvm)"
Examples:		
axi read(		
VVCT	=> AXI VVCT,	
	_	
vvc_instan	ice_idx => 1,	



```
arid
                       => x"01",
      araddr
                       => x"00000004",
      arlen
                       => x"01",
      arsize
                       => 4,
      arburst
                       => INCR,
      arlock
                       => NORMAL,
      arcache
                       => "0000",
      arprot
                       => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA,
                       => "0000",
      arqos
      arregion
                       => "0000",
      aruser
                       => x"01",
                       => TO SB,
      data routing
      msq
                       => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to scoreboard");
    axi read(
      VVCT
                       => AXI VVCT,
      vvc instance idx => 1,
                       => x"00000004",
      araddr
                       => TO BUFFER,
      data routing
                       => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to read buffer");
Example with fetch_result() call. Result is placed in v result
    variable v cmd idx : natural;
                                                          -- Command index for the last read
    variable v result : work.vvc cmd pkg.t vvc result; -- Result from read
 (...)
    axi read(
      VVCT
                       => AXI VVCT,
      vvc instance idx => 1,
                       => x"00000004",
      araddr
      data routing
                       => TO BUFFER,
                       => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to read buffer");
    v cmd idx := get last received cmd idx(AXI VVCT, 1);
    await completion(AXI VVCT, 1, 100 ns, "Wait for read to finish");
    fetch result (AXI VVCT, 1, v cmd idx, v result, "Fetching result from read operation");
```

#### axi\_check()

axi\_check(VVCT, vvc\_instance\_idx, arid, araddr, arlen, arsize, airburst, arlock, arcache, arprot, arqos, arregion, aruser, rdata\_exp, rresp\_exp, ruser\_exp, msg, [alert\_level, [scope]])

The axi\_check() VVC procedure adds a check command to the AXI4 VVC executor queue, which will distribute this command to the various channel executors which in turn will run as soon as all preceding commands have completed. When the check command is scheduled to run, the executors call the AXI4 procedures in axi\_channel\_handler\_pkg.vhd. The axi\_check() procedure will perform a read operation, then check if the read result is equal to the rdata\_exp, rresp\_exp and ruser\_exp parameters. If the result is not equal to the expected result, an alert with severity 'alert\_level' will be issued. The read data will not be stored by this procedure.

Parameter name	Туре	Default value
VVCT	t_vvc_target_record	None
vvc_instance_idx	integer	None
arid	std_logic_vector	0
araddr	unsigned	None
arlen	unsigned(7 downto 0)	0



```
arsize
                  Integer range 1 to 128
                                             INCR
 arburst
                  t_axburst
 arlock
                  t axlock
                                             NORMAL
 arcache
                  std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
                                             0
                                             UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA
 arprot
                  t_axprot
 arqos
                  std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
                  std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
 arregion
                                             0
 aruser
                  std_logic_vector
                                             0
                                             None
 rdata_exp
                  t_slv_array
                  t_xresp_array
                                             OKAY for all words
 rresp_exp
 ruser_exp
                  t slv array
                                             0 for all words
 msg
                  string
                                             None
 alert_level
                  t_alert_level
                                             ERROR
                                             "TB seq.(uvvm)"
 scope
                  string
Examples:
    axi check(
      VVCT
                         => AXI VVCT,
      vvc instance idx => 1,
      arid
                         => x"01",
      araddr
                         => x"00000004",
      arlen
                         => x"01",
      arsize
                         => 4,
      arburst
                         => INCR,
      arlock
                         => NORMAL,
      arcache
                         => "0000",
                         => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA,
      arprot
      arqos
                         => "0000",
                         => "0000",
      arregion
                         => x"01",
      aruser
      rdata exp
                         => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
                         => t xresp_array'(OKAY, OKAY),
      rresp_exp
                         => t slv array'(x"00", x"00"),
      ruser exp
                         => "Check data from Peripheral 1");
      msg
```

=> AXI VVCT,

=> x"00000004",

araddr

msg

rdata exp

vvc\_instance\_idx => 1,

=> t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),

=> "Check data from Peripheral 1");



## 2 VVC Configuration

Record element inter_bfm_delay	<b>Type</b> t_inter_bfm_delay	C_AXI_VVC_CONFIG_DEFAULT C_AXI_INTER_BFM_DELAY_DEFAULT	Description Delay between any requested BFM accesses towards the DUT TIME_START2START: Time from a BFM start to the next BFM start - TIME_FINISH2START: Not supported by this VVC Any insert_delay() command will add to the above minimum delays, giving for instance the ability to skew the BFM starting time.
cmd_queue_count_max	natural	C_MAX_COMMAND_QUEUE	Maximum pending number in command queue before queue is full. Adding additional commands will result in an ERROR.
cmd_queue_count_threshold	natural	C_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD	An alert with severity "cmd_queue_count_threshold_severity" will be issued if command queue exceeds this count. Used for early warning if command queue is almost full. Will be ignored if set to 0.
cmd_queue_count_threshold_severity	t_alert_level	C_CMD_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY	Severity of alert to be initiated if exceeding cmd_queue_count_threshold
result_queue_count_max	natural	C_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_MAX	Maximum number of unfetched results before result_queue is full.
result_queue_count_threshold	natural	C_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD	An alert with severity 'result_queue_count_threshold_severity' will be issued if result queue exceeds this count. Used for early warning if result queue is almost full. Will be ignored if set to 0.
result_queue_count_threshold_severity	t_alert_level	C_RESULT_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY	Severity of alert to be initiated if exceeding result_queue_count_threshold
bfm_config	t_axi_bfm_config	C_AXI_BFM_CONFIG_DEFAULT	Configuration for AXI4 BFM. See quick reference for AXI4 BFM
msg_id_panel	t_msg_id_panel	C_VVC_MSG_ID_PANEL_DEFAULT	VVC dedicated message ID panel. See section 16 of uvvm_vvc_framework/doc/UVVM_VVC_Framework_Essential_Mechanisms.pdf for how to use verbosity control.

The configuration record can be accessed from the Central Testbench Sequencer through the shared variable array, e.g.:

```
shared_axi_vvc_config(1).inter_bfm_delay.delay_in_time := 50 ns;
shared_axi_vvc_config(1).bfm_config.clock_period := 10 ns;
```

#### 3 VVC Status

The current status of the VVC can be retrieved during simulation. This is achieved by reading from the shared variable shared\_axi\_vvc\_status record from the test sequencer. The record contents can be seen below:

Record element	Туре	Description
current_cmd_idx	natural	Command index currently running
previous_cmd_idx	natural	Previous command index to run
pending_cmd_cnt	natural	Pending number of commands in the command queue

### 4 Activity watchdog

The VVCs support a centralized VVC activity register which the activity watchdog uses to monitor the VVC activities. The VVCs will register their presence to the VVC activity register at start-up, and report when ACTIVE and INACTIVE, using dedicated VVC activity register methods, and trigger the global trigger vvc activity register signal during simulations. The activity watchdog is continuously monitoring the VVC activity register for VVC inactivity and raises



an alert if no VVC activity is registered within the specified timeout period.

Include activity\_watchdog(num\_exp\_vvc, timeout, [alert\_level, [msg]]) in the testbench to start using the activity watchdog. Note that setting the exact number of expected VVCs in the VVC activity register can be omitted by setting  $num_exp_vvc = 0$ .

More information can be found in UVVM Essential Mechanisms PDF in the UVVM VVC Framework doc folder.

### 5 Transaction Info

This VVC supports transaction info, a UVVM concept for distributing transaction information in a controlled manner within the complete testbench environment. The transaction info may be used in many different ways, but the main purpose is to share information directly from the VVC to a DUT model.

Table 5.1 AXI4 transaction info record fields. Transaction type: t\_base\_transaction (BT) - accessible via shared\_axi\_vvc\_transaction\_info.bt\_wr and shared\_axi\_vvc\_transaction\_info.bt\_rd

Info field	Туре	Default	Description
operation	t_operation	NO_OPERATION	Current VVC operation, e.g. INSERT_DELAY, POLL_UNTIL, READ, WRITE.
vvc_meta	t_vvc_meta	C_VVC_META_DEFAULT	VVC meta data of the executing VVC command.
→ msg	string	u u	Message of executing VVC command.
→ cmd_idx	integer	-1	Command index of executing VVC command.
transaction_status	t_transaction_status	C_TRANSACTION_STATUS_DEFAULT	Set to INACTIVE, IN_PROGRESS, FAILED or SUCCEEDED during a transaction.

Table 5.2 AXI4-Lite transaction info record fields. Transaction type t\_ax\_transaction (ST) – accessible via shared\_axilite\_vvc\_transaction\_info.st\_aw and shared\_axilite\_vvc\_transaction\_info.st\_ar

Info field	Туре	Default	Description
operation	t_operation	NO_OPERATION	Current VVC operation, e.g. INSERT_DELAY, POLL_UNTIL, READ, WRITE.
axid	std_logic_vector(31 downto 0)		Identification tag for a read or write transaction
axaddr	unsigned(31 downto 0)	0x0	Address for a read or write transaction
axlen	unsigned(7 downto 0)	0x0	Burst length for a read or write transaction
axsize	integer range 1 to 128	4	Burst size for a read or write transaction
axburst	t_axburst	INCR	Burst type for a read or write transaction
axlock	t_axlock	NORMAL	Lock value for a read or write transaction
axcache	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0x0	Cache value for a read or write transaction
axprot	t_axprot	UNPRIVILEGED_NONSECURE_DATA	Protection value for a read or write transaction
axqos	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0x0	QOS value for a read or write transaction
axregion	std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)	0x0	Region value for a read or write transaction
axuser	std_logic_vector(127 downto 0)	0x0	User value for a read or write transaction
vvc_meta	t_vvc_meta	C_VVC_META_DEFAULT	VVC meta data of the executing VVC command.
→ msg	string	и и	Message of executing VVC command.
→ cmd_idx	integer	-1	Command index of executing VVC command.
transaction_status	t_transaction_status	C_TRANSACTION_STATUS_DEFAULT	Set to INACTIVE, IN_PROGRESS, FAILED or SUCCEEDED during a transaction.



Table 5.3 AXI4-Lite transaction info record fields. Transaction type t\_w\_transaction (ST) – accessible via shared\_axilite\_vvc\_transaction\_info.st\_w

Info field	Туре	Default	Description
operation	t_operation	NO_OPERATION	Current VVC operation, e.g. INSERT_DELAY, POLL_UNTIL, READ, WRITE.
wdata	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(255 downto 0)	0x0	Write data
wstrb	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(31 downto 0)	0x0	Write strobe
wuser	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(127 downto 0)	0x0	User value
vvc_meta	t_vvc_meta	C_VVC_META_DEFAULT	VVC meta data of the executing VVC command.
→ msg	string	<i>u u</i>	Message of executing VVC command.
→ cmd_idx	integer	-1	Command index of executing VVC command.
transaction_status	t_transaction_status	C_TRANSACTION_STATUS_DEFAULT	Set to INACTIVE, IN_PROGRESS, FAILED or SUCCEEDED during a transaction.

### Table 5.4 AXI4-Lite transaction info record fields. Transaction type t\_b\_transaction (ST) – accessible via shared\_axilite\_vvc\_transaction\_info.st\_b

Info field	Туре	Default	Description
operation	t_operation	NO_OPERATION	Current VVC operation, e.g. INSERT_DELAY, POLL_UNTIL, READ, WRITE.
bid	std_logic_vector(31 downto 0)	0x0	Identification tag
bresp	t_xresp	OKAY	Write response
buser	std_logic_vector(127 downto 0)	0x0	User value for write response channel
vvc_meta	t_vvc_meta	C_VVC_META_DEFAULT	VVC meta data of the executing VVC command.
→ msg	string	и и	Message of executing VVC command.
→ cmd_idx	integer	-1	Command index of executing VVC command.
transaction_status	t_transaction_status	C_TRANSACTION_STATUS_DEFAULT	Set to INACTIVE, IN_PROGRESS, FAILED or SUCCEEDED during a transaction.

### Table 5.5 AXI4-Lite transaction info record fields. Transaction type t\_r\_transaction (ST) – accessible via **shared\_axilite\_vvc\_transaction\_info.st\_r**

Info field	Туре	Default	Description
operation	t_operation	NO_OPERATION	Current VVC operation, e.g. INSERT_DELAY, POLL_UNTIL, READ, WRITE.
rid	std_logic_vector(31 downto 0)	0x0	Identification tag for read data channel
rdata	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(255 downto 0)	0x0	Read data array
rresp	t_xresp_array(0 to 255)	OKAY	Read response array
ruser	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(127 downto 0)	0x0	Read user extension array
vvc_meta	t_vvc_meta	C_VVC_META_DEFAULT	VVC meta data of the executing VVC command.
→ msg	string	u u	Message of executing VVC command.
→ cmd_idx	integer	-1	Command index of executing VVC command.
transaction_status	t_transaction_status	C_TRANSACTION_STATUS_DEFAULT	Set to INACTIVE, IN_PROGRESS, FAILED or SUCCEEDED during a transaction.

See UVVM VVC Framework Essential Mechanisms PDF, section 6, for additional information about transaction types and transaction info usage.



#### 6 Scoreboard

This VVC has built in Scoreboard functionality where data can be routed by setting the data\_routing parameter to T0\_SB in supported method calls, i.e. axi\_read(). Note that the data is only stored in the scoreboard and not accessible with the fetch\_result() method when the T0\_SB parameter is applied. The result which is stored in the scoreboard is of the type t\_vvc\_result which is detailed below.

Table 5.2 t\_vvc\_result type

Record element	Туре	
len	natural range 0 to 255	
rid std_logic_vector(31 downto 0)		
rdata t_slv_array(0 to 255)(255 downto		
rresp t_xresp_array(0 to 255)		
ruser	t_slv_array(0 to 255)(127 downto 0)	

The AXI VVC scoreboard is per default the maximum width of rid, rdata, rresp and ruser. When sending expected result to the scoreboard, where the result width is smaller than the default scoreboard width, we recommend zero-padding the data.

See the Generic Scoreboard Quick Reference PDF in the Bitvis VIP Scoreboard document folder for a complete list of available commands and additional information. The AXI4 VVC scoreboard is accessible from the testbench as a shared variable AXI\_VVC\_SB, located in the vvc\_methods\_pkg.vhd. All of the listed Generic Scoreboard commands are available for the AXI4 VVC scoreboard using this shared variable.

### 7 VVC Interface

In this VVC, the interface has been encapsulated in a signal record of type *t\_axi\_if* to improve readability of the code. Since the AXI4 interface busses can be of arbitrary size, the interface std\_logic\_vectors have been left unconstrained. These unconstrained SLVs needs to be constrained when the interface signals are instantiated. For this interface, this could look like:

```
signal axi if: t axi if( write address channel( awid(
                                                        C ID WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0),
                                                awaddr ( C ADDR WIDTH
                                                                      -1 downto 0),
                                                awuser ( C USER WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0)),
                         write data channel
                                              ( wdata( C DATA WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0),
                                                wstrb( C DATA WIDTH/8)-1 downto 0),
                                                wuser ( C USER WIDTH -1 downto 0)),
                                                        C ID WIDTH
                         write response channel(bid(
                                                                       -1 downto 0),
                                                buser( C USER WIDTH
                                                                      -1 downto 0)),
                         read address channel (
                                                arid(
                                                        C ID WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0),
                                                araddr ( C ADDR WIDTH
                                                                      -1 downto 0),
                                                aruser ( C USER WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0)),
                                                        C ID WIDTH
                         read data channel
                                              (rid(
                                                                       -1 downto 0),
                                                rdata( C DATA WIDTH
                                                                      -1 downto 0),
                                                ruser( C USER WIDTH
                                                                       -1 downto 0)));
```



### 8 Additional Documentation

Additional documentation about UVVM and its features can be found under "/uvvm\_vvc\_framework/doc/". For additional documentation on the AXI4 standard, please see the AXI4 specification "AMBA® AXI™ and ACE™ Protocol Specification", available from ARM.



## 9 Compilation

AXI4 VVC must be compiled with VHDL 2008.

It is dependent on the following libraries

- UVVM Utility Library (UVVM-Util), version 2.14.0 and up
- UVVM VVC Framework, version 2.10.0 and up
- AXI4 BFM
- Bitvis VIP Scoreboard

Before compiling the AXI4 VVC, assure that uvvm\_vvc\_framework, uvvm\_util and bitvis\_vip\_scoreboard have been compiled.

See UVVM Essential Mechanisms located in uvvm\_vvc\_framework/doc for information about compile scripts.

#### Compile order for the AXI4 VVC:

Compile to library	File	Comment
bitvis_vip_axi	axi_bfm_pkg.vhd	AXI4 BFM
bitvis_vip_axi	transaction_pkg	AXI4 transaction package with DTT types, constants etc.
bitvis_vip_axi	vvc_cmd_pkg.vhd	AXI4 VVC command types and operations
bitvis_vip_axi	axi_read_data_queue_pkg.vhd	Package for storing read data responses in a queue
bitvis_vip_axi	axi_channel_handler_pkg.vhd	Package containing procedures for accessing AXI4 channels
bitvis_vip_axi	/uvvm_vvc_framework/src_target_dependent/td_target_support_pkg.vhd	UVVM VVC target support package, compiled into the AXI4 VVC library.
bitvis_vip_axi	/uvvm_vvc_framework/src_target_dependent/td_vvc_framework_common_methods_pkg.vhd	UVVM framework common methods compiled into the AXI4 VVC library
bitvis_vip_axi	axi_sb_pkg.vhd	AXI4 scoreboard package (instantiating the generic scoreboard)
bitvis_vip_axi	vvc_methods_pkg.vhd	AXI4 VVC methods
bitvis_vip_axi	/uvvm_vvc_framework/src_target_dependent/td_queue_pkg.vhd	UVVM queue package for the VVC
bitvis_vip_axi	/uvvm_vvc_framework/src_target_dependent/td_vvc_entity_support_pkg.vhd	UVVM VVC entity support compiled into the AXI4 VVC library
bitvis_vip_axi	axi_vvc.vhd	AXI4 VVC
bitvis_vip_axi	vvc_context.vhd	AXI4 VVC context

# 10 Simulator compatibility and setup

See README.md for a list of supported simulators.

For required simulator setup see UVVM-Util Quick reference.

#### **IMPORTANT**

This is a simplified Verification IP (VIP) for AXI4. The given VIP complies with the AXI4 protocol and thus allows a normal access towards an AXI4 interface. This VIP is not AXI4 protocol checker. For a more advanced VIP please contact Bitvis AS at <a href="mailto:support@bitvis.no">support@bitvis.no</a>



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