

AXI4 VVC – Quick Reference

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, awgos, awregion, awuser, wdata, wstrb, wuser, bresp_exp, buser_exp, msg, [scope]) Example: axi write(**VVCT** => AXI VVCT. vvc_instance_idx => 1, awid => x"01", => x"00000004". awaddr awlen => x"01". awsize => 4, => INCR. awburst awlock => NORMAL, => "0000". awcache => UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA, awprot => "0000". awgos => "0000", awregion awuser => x"01". => t_slv_array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"), wdata => t_slv_array'(x"F", x"F"), wstrb => t_slv_array'(x"01", x"01"), wuser => OKAY, buser_exp => x"01", bresp_exp => "Writing data to Peripheral 1"); msg



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",
                          => x"00000004".
          araddr
          arlen
                          => x"01",
          arsize
                          => 4.
                          => INCR,
          arburst
          arlock
                          => NORMAL,
                          => "0000".
          arcache
                          => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA.
          arprot
                          => "0000".
          argos
                          => "0000",
          arregion
                          => x"01",
          aruser
          data_routing
                          => TO_SB,
                          => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to scoreboard");
          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",
                        => x"00000004".
         araddr
                        => x"01",
         arlen
         arsize
                        => 4.
                        => INCR,
         arburst
         arlock
                        => NORMAL.
                        => "0000",
         arcache
                        => UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA,
         arprot
         argos
                        => "0000".
```

AXI4 VVC Configuration record 'vvc_config' -- accessible via shared_axi_vvc_config

=> t_slv_array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),

=> t xresp array'(OKAY, OKAY),

=> "Check data from Peripheral 1");

=> t_slv_array'(x"00", x"00"),

=> "0000",

=> x"01",

arregion aruser

rdata_exp

rresp exp

ruser_exp

msq

| Record element | Type | 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 | ${\tt C_[CMD/RESULT]_QUEUE_COUNT_THRESHOLD_SEVERITY}$ |
| bfm_config | t_axi_bfm_config | C_AXI_BFM_CONFIG_DEFAULT |
| msg_id_panel | t_msg_id_panel | C_VVC_MSG_ID_PANEL_DEFAULT |
| force_single_pending_transaction | boolean | false |

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() (wanted_idx parameter not supported)

enable_log_msg()

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 |
|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| awid | std_logic_vector | x"01" | Identification tag for a write transaction |
| awaddr | unsigned | x"325A" | The address of the first transfer in a write transaction |
| awlen | unsigned(7 downto 0) | x"01" | The number of data transfers in a write transaction |
| awsize | Integer range 1 to 128 | 4 | The number of bytes in each data transfer in a write transaction (Must be a power of two) |
| awburst | t_axburst | INCR | Burst type, indicates how address changes between each transfer in a write transaction |
| awlock | t_axlock | NORMAL | Provides information about the atomic characteristics of a write transaction |
| awcache | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Indicates how a write transaction is required to progress through a system |
| awprot | t_axprot | UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA | Protection attributes of a write transaction. Privilege, security level and access type |
| awqos | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Quality of Service identifier for a write transaction |
| awregion | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Region indicator for a write transaction |
| awuser | std_logic_vector | x"01" | User-defined extension for the 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 |
| arid | std_logic_vector | x"01" | Identification tag for a read transaction |
| araddr | unsigned | x"325A" | The address of the first transfer in a read transaction |
| arlen | unsigned(7 downto 0) | x"01" | The number of data transfers in a read transaction |
| arsize | Integer range 1 to 128 | 4 | The number of bytes in each data transfer in a read transaction (Must be a power of two) |
| arburst | t_axburst | INCR | Burst type, indicates how address changes between each transfer in a read transaction |
| arlock | t_axlock | NORMAL | Provides information about the atomic characteristics of a read transaction |
| arcache | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Indicates how a read transaction is required to progress through a system |
| arprot | t_axprot | UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA | Protection attributes of a read transaction. Privilege, security level and access type |
| arqos | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Quality of Service identifier for a read transaction |
| arregion | std_logic_vector(3 downto 0) | "0000" | Region indicator for a read transaction |
| aruser | std_logic_vector | x"01" | User-defined extension for the read address 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 an alert |
| | | | '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 | ceaure |
|-----|---------|
| 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",
                   => x"00000004",
 awaddr
                   => x"01",
 awlen
 awsize
                   => 4,
 awburst
                   => INCR,
 awlock
                   => NORMAL,
```



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

axi_read()

axi_read(VVCT, vvc_instance_idx, arid, araddr, arlen, arsize, airburst, arlock, arcache, arprot, argos, 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

| Parameter name | Type | 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)" |
| | | |

scoreboard where it will be checked against the expected value (provided by the testbench)

Examples:



```
axi read(
     VVCT
                       => AXI VVCT,
      vvc instance idx => 1,
      arid
                       => x"01",
      araddr
                       => x''00000004''.
                       => x"01",
      arlen
      arsize
                       => 4,
      arburst
                       => INCR,
      arlock
                       => NORMAL,
      arcache
                       => "0000",
      arprot
                       => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA,
      argos
                       => "0000",
                       => "0000",
      arregion
      aruser
                       => x"01",
      data routing
                       => TO SB,
                       => "Read from Peripheral 1 and send result to scoreboard");
      msq
    axi read(
      VVCT
                       => AXI VVCT,
      vvc instance idx => 1,
                       => x"00000004",
      araddr
                       => TO BUFFER,
      data routing
      msg
                       => "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,
      araddr
                      => x"00000004",
                      => TO BUFFER,
      data routing
                       => "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
                                                 0
                   std_logic_vector
araddr
                   unsigned
                                                 None
arlen
                   unsigned(7 downto 0)
                                                 0
arsize
                   Integer range 1 to 128
                                                 INCR
arburst
                   t_axburst
arlock
                   t axlock
                                                 NORMAL
                   std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
arcache
                                                 UNPRIVILEGED_UNSECURE_DATA
arprot
                   t_axprot
                   std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
argos
                   std_logic_vector(3 downto 0)
                                                 0
arregion
aruser
                   std_logic_vector
rdata_exp
                   t_slv_array
                                                 None
                   t_xresp_array
                                                 OKAY for all words
rresp_exp
                                                 0 for all words
ruser_exp
                   t_slv_array
                                                 None
msg
                   string
                                                 ERROR
alert_level
                   t_alert_level
                                                 "TB seq.(uvvm)"
scope
                   string
```

Examples:

```
axi_check(
 VVCT
                   => AXI VVCT,
  vvc instance idx => 1,
                   => x"01",
  arid
                   => x"00000004",
  araddr
  arlen
                   => x"01",
  arsize
                   => 4,
  arburst
                   => INCR.
  arlock
                   => NORMAL,
                   => "0000",
  arcache
  arprot
                   => UNPRIVILEGED UNSECURE DATA,
                   => "0000",
  arqos
                   => "0000",
  arregion
                   => x"01",
  aruser
                   => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
  rdata exp
  rresp exp
                   => t xresp array'(OKAY, OKAY),
                   => t slv array'(x"00", x"00"),
  ruser exp
                   => "Check data from Peripheral 1");
 msq
axi check(
 VVCT
                   => AXI VVCT,
  vvc instance idx => 1,
  araddr
                   => x"00000004",
                   => t slv array'(x"12345678", x"33333333"),
  rdata exp
 msq
                   => "Check data from Peripheral 1");
```



2 VVC Configuration

| Record element | Туре | C_AXI_VVC_CONFIG_DEFAULT | Description |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| inter_bfm_delay | t_inter_bfm_delay | C_AXI_INTER_BFM_DELAY_DEFAULT | Delay between any requested BFM accesses towards the DUT TIME_START2START: Time from a BFM start to the next BFM start |
| | | | - TIME_START2START: Time from a Brid start to the next Brid 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 | Э |

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 | α α | 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 | | 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 | 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 5.4 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 | « « | 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 | Type |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| len | natural range 0 to 255 |
| rid | std_logic_vector(31 downto 0) |
| rdata | t_slv_array(0 to 255)(255 downto 0) |
| 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),
                                                          C USER WIDTH
                                                  wuser(
                                                                       -1 downto 0)),
                          write response channel (bid (
                                                          C ID WIDTH
                                                                         -1 downto 0),
                                                          C USER WIDTH
                                                  buser(
                                                                         -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)),
                                                (rid(
                                                          C ID WIDTH
                                                                         -1 downto 0),
                          read data channel
                                                  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 2.16.0 and up
- UVVM VVC Framework, version 2.12.0 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 | 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 to support out of order read data |
| bitvis_vip_axi | axi_channel_handler_pkg.vhd | Package containing procedures for accessing AXI4 channels. Only for use by the VVC |
| 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 support@bitvis.no



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