Area Improve:

1. Shift Register: Using bitwise shifts to replace multiplication and division by powers of two can save a lot of resources. Note: <<< or << (with or without sign extension)

When using shifts to replace division, ensure that the higher bits are sufficient. For example:

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reg [3:0] a; a >> 5;

If 'a' needs all 4 bits, this will cause issues. It can be fixed as:

reg [8:0] a; a >> 5;
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- 2. Shared registers.
- 3. Take off unused reset.

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4. Signle bit flag:
We can write reg[8] == 1 instead of reg == 256.
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Escape Timing Violation:

- 1. Some combinational circuits are too long and can span across a register to avoid not completing within one clock cycle, which can cause timing violations.
- 2. At the macro interfaces, try to use registers to prevent timing violations during APR.
- 3. In the if conditions, try to use the earliest driven register (such as in_valid); otherwise, timing violations might occur at the gate level.
- 4. If a multiplication or division line is too long, we can use multi-stage multiplication or division to fix it.