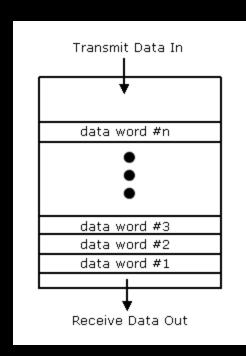
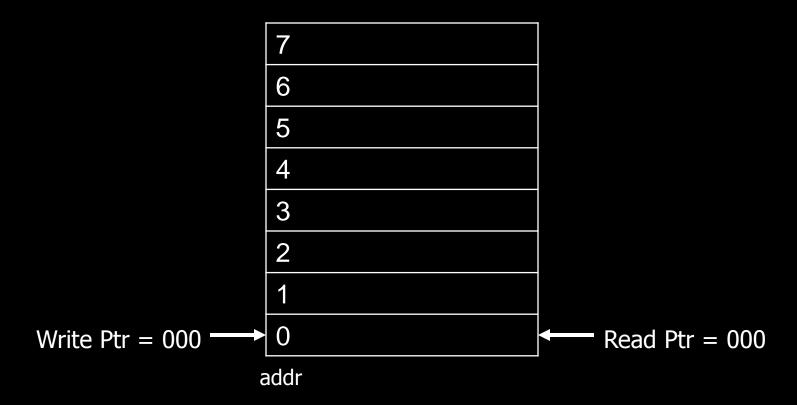
FIFO RAM

FIFO Design (provided)

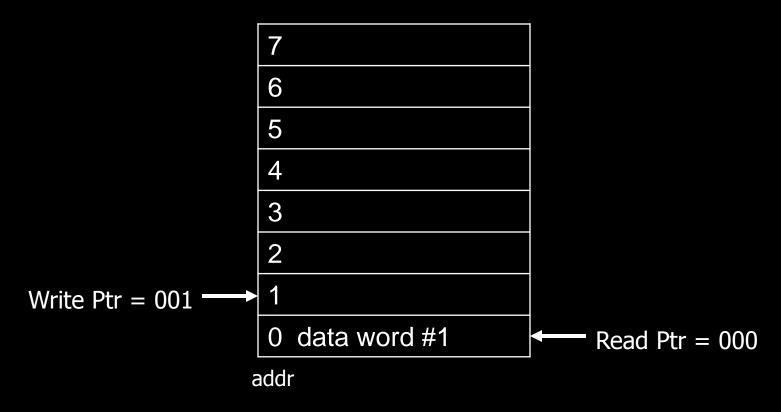


Why can't this be done with a simple shift register?

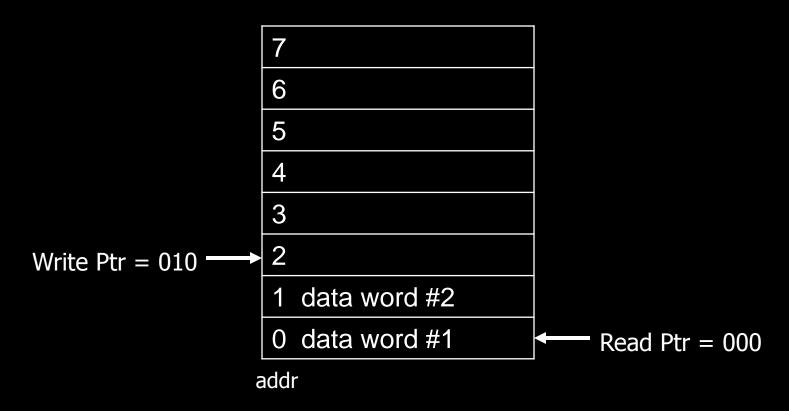
- Purpose:
 - Efficiently handle data transfer between two systems
 - Allows source & receiver of data to operate at different speeds (& clock rates)
- Some Requirements:
 - Data must be read out in same order as written in
 - <u>Can't assume synchronization between input</u>
 <u>and output</u>
 - Next word in FIFO must be immediately available to read.



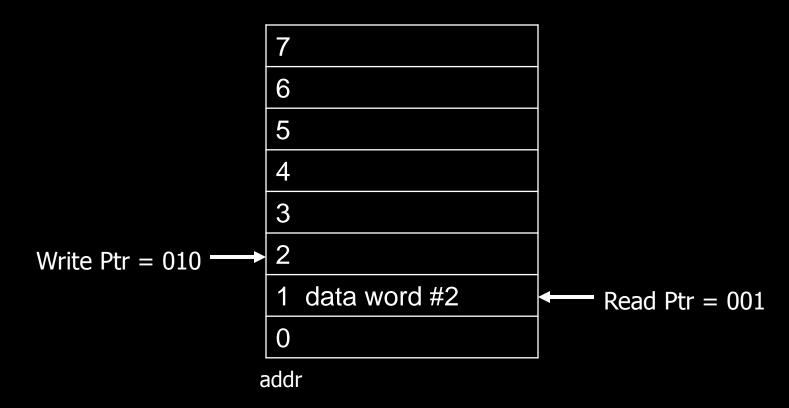
Prior to writing anything FIFO is empty, Write Ptr = Read Ptr



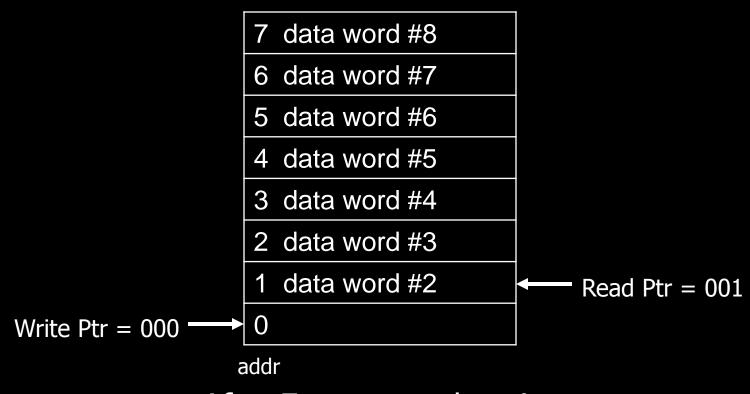
After 1st word written



After 2nd word written

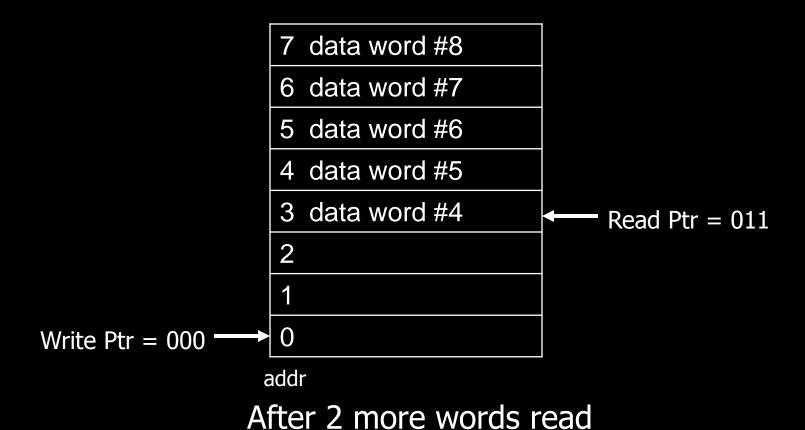


After 1st word read

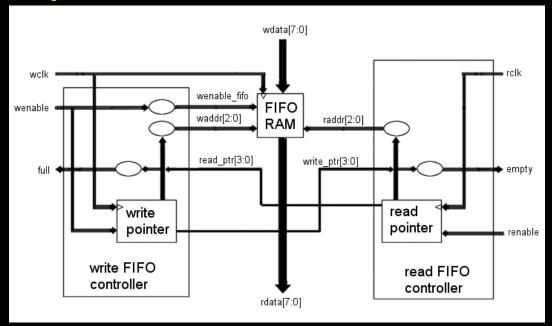


After 7 more words written

Notice write pointer wrapped around



FIFO Implementation



Write controller: Checks for full condition. If not full, writes data & increments write pointer.

FIFO RAM:
A set of 8 registers,
8 bits each, with
addressing logic

Read controller: Checks for empty condition. If not full, increments the read pointer.