



# FIFO Memory Modules

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## Abbreviations in This Document

A list of abbreviations used in this document.

Abbreviation	Definition
EBR	Embedded Block Random Access Memory
FIFO	First In First Out
FPGA	Field-Programmable Gate Array
IP	Intellectual Property
LUT	Lookup-Table
PMI	Parameterized Module Instantiation
RTL	Register Transfer Level

# 1. Introduction

This user guide discusses FIFO memory usage for devices supported by the Lattice Radiant™ software. It is intended to be used by design engineers as a guide to integrate FIFO memory blocks with their applications.

Designers can utilize the memory primitives using two different methods described below.

- Using Module/IP Block Wizard – The Module/IP Block Wizard user interface allows you to specify the required memory type and size. The Module/IP Block Wizard takes this specification and instantiates a synthesizable RTL (register transfer level) code and sets the appropriate parameters based on the user interface setting.
- Using PMI (Parameterized Module Instantiation) – PMI allows experienced users to skip the graphical user interface and utilize the configurable memory primitives on-the-fly from the Lattice Radiant software project navigator. You set the parameters and the control signals needed in Verilog.

## 1.1. Quick Facts

Table 1.1 presents a summary of the FIFO Memory Modules.

**Table 1.1. FIFO Memory Modules Quick Facts**

IP Requirements	Supported Devices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IP Core v2.5.0 (FIFO) and IP Core v2.7.0 (FIFO_DC): iCE40 UltraPlus, Lattice Avant™, CertusPro™-NX, Certus™-NX, MachXO5™-NX, CrossLink™-NX, Certus™-NX-RT, CertusPro™-NX-RT</li> <li>• IP Core Version 3.0.0 (FIFO_DC): MachXO4™</li> </ul>
	IP Changes <sup>1</sup>	Refer to the <a href="#">FIFO Memory Modules Release Notes (FPGA-RN-02095)</a>
Resource Utilization	Supported User Interface	General purpose I/O (GPIO).
	Resources	Refer to <a href="#">Appendix A. Resource Utilization</a>
Design Tool Support	Lattice Implementation <sup>2</sup>	IP Core v2.5.0 (FIFO) – Lattice Radiant Software 2024.2 IP Core v2.7.0 (FIFO_DC) – Lattice Radiant Software 2025.2 IP Core v3.0.0 (FIFO_DC) – Lattice Radiant Software 2025.2
	Synthesis	Lattice Synthesis Engine (LSE) Synopsys Synplify Pro® for Lattice
	Simulation	For a list of supported simulators, see the <a href="#">Lattice Radiant Software</a> User Guide.

### Notes:

1. In some instances, the IP may be updated without changes to the user guide. This user guide may reflect an earlier IP version but remains fully compatible with the later IP version. Refer to the IP Release Notes for the latest updates.
2. Lattice Implementation indicates the IP version release coinciding with the software version release. Check the software for IP version compatibility with earlier or later software versions.

## 1.2. Features

Table 1.2 shows key features of the FIFO modules include:

**Table 1.2. FIFO Modules Key Features**

FIFO (Single Clock) <sup>1</sup>	FIFO_DC (Dual Clocks) <sup>1</sup>	FIFO_DC (Dual Clocks) <sup>2</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operates with a single clock for both read and write</li> <li>Configurable data width and memory depth</li> <li>Supports <i>Area-Optimized (HW)</i> or <i>Feature-Rich (LUT)</i> controller implementation</li> <li>Memory implementation options: EBR or LUT</li> <li>Optional <i>First-Word Fall-Through (FWFT)</i> mode</li> <li>Optional registered output: <i>Enable Output Register</i></li> <li>Synchronous or asynchronous reset for controller and registers</li> <li>Programmable <i>Almost Full</i> and <i>Almost Empty</i> flags: (static or dynamic thresholds)</li> <li>Optional Data Count output</li> <li>High-speed implementation option for HW controller<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operates with separate read and write clocks (asynchronous domains)</li> <li>Configurable data width and memory depth</li> <li>Supports mixed-width configurations with power-of-2 ratio (EBR only)</li> <li>Supports <i>Area-Optimized (HW)</i> or <i>Feature-Rich (LUT)</i> controller implementation</li> <li>Memory implementation options: EBR or LUT</li> <li>Optional <i>First-Word Fall-Through (FWFT)</i> mode</li> <li>Optional registered output: <i>Enable Output Register</i></li> <li>Synchronous or asynchronous reset for both read and write pointers</li> <li>Additional reset for read pointer only</li> <li>Programmable <i>Almost Full</i> and <i>Almost Empty</i> flags (static or dynamic thresholds)</li> <li>Optional Data Count outputs for write and read sides</li> <li>High-speed implementation option for HW controller<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operates with separate read and write clocks (asynchronous domains)</li> <li>Configurable data width and memory depth</li> <li>Optional registered output: <i>Enable Output Register</i></li> <li>Synchronous or asynchronous reset for both read and write pointers</li> <li>Additional reset for read pointer only</li> <li>Programmable <i>Almost Full</i> and <i>Almost Empty</i> flags (static or dynamic thresholds)</li> <li>Optional Data Count outputs for write and read sides</li> </ul>

**Note:**

1. Available only for non-MachXO4 devices.
2. Available only for MachXO4 devices.
3. High-speed implementation option for HW controller is supported only for Nexus devices.



## 2. Memory Modules

The following sections discuss the different FIFO memory modules available from the IP Catalog, the size of memory that each module can support, and other special options for the module. Module/IP Block Wizard automatically allows you to create memories larger than the width and depth supported for each memory primitive.

- **Output Register**

The output data of the memory is optionally registered at the output. You can choose this option by selecting the *Enable Output Register* check box in Module/IP Block Wizard while customizing the module.

- **Reset**

The memory modules also support the Reset signal. The Reset (or RST) signal only resets input and output registers of the memory module, and FIFO controller. It does not reset the contents of the memory module.

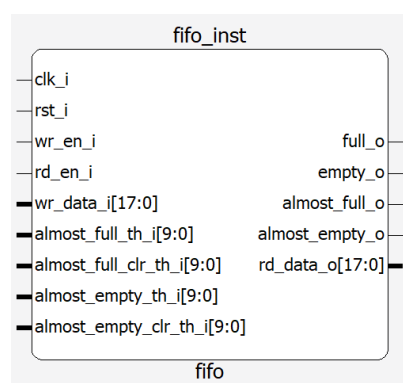
- **First-Word-Fall Through (FWFT) Mode**

When First-Word Fall-Through (FWFT) is enabled, a pre-read operation is performed when the first word is written on an empty FIFO, even when you do not assert the read command. This pre-read causes the buffer to increase the size of the FIFO by 1 word and affects the behavior of ALMOST\_FULL and ALMOST\_EMPTY flags as the first word is popped out.

### 2.1. First in First Out Single Clock (FIFO)

Lattice FPGAs support all the features of First in First Out Single Clock Memory Module or FIFO. Module/IP Block Wizard allows you to generate the Verilog-HDL for the memory size as per design requirement.

Module/IP Block Wizard generates the memory module shown in [Figure 2.1](#).



**Figure 2.1. FIFO Single Clock Memory Module Generated by Module/IP Block Wizard**

The various ports and their definitions for First in First Out Single Clock Memory are listed in [Table 2.1](#). The table lists the corresponding ports for the module generated by Module/IP Block Wizard.

**Table 2.1. First in First Out Single Clock Memory Port Definitions**

Port Name	Direction	Width	Description
clk_i	Input	1	Clock
rst_i	Input	1	Reset
wr_en_i	Input	1	Write Enable
rd_en_i	Input	1	Read Enable
wr_data_i	Input	Data Width	Data Input
almost_full_th_i <sup>1,2</sup>	Input	Address Width	Almost full threshold value input
almost_full_clr_th_i <sup>2</sup>	Input	Address Width	Almost full clear / de-assert threshold value input
almost_empty_th_i <sup>3,4</sup>	Input	Address Width	Almost empty threshold value input
almost_empty_clr_th_i <sup>4</sup>	Input	Address Width	Almost empty clear / de-assert threshold value input
rd_data_o	Output	Data Width	Data Output
full_o	Output	1	Full Flag

Port Name	Direction	Width	Description
empty_o	Output	1	Empty Flag
almost_full_o	Output	1	Almost Full Flag
almost_empty_o	Output	1	Almost Empty Flag
data_cnt_o	Output	Address Width + 1	Data Count – outputs the current number of written data that can be read in the FIFO

**Notes:**

1. Available when Almost Full Assertion = *Dynamic – Single Threshold*.
2. Available when Almost Full Assertion = *Dynamic – Dual Threshold*.
3. Available when Almost Empty Assertion = *Dynamic – Single Threshold*.
4. Available when Almost Empty Assertion = *Dynamic – Dual Threshold*.
5. Available when Enable Data Count is enabled.

The various attributes available for the First in First Out (FIFO) Single Clock are listed in [Table 2.2](#). Some of these attributes are user selectable through the Module/IP Block Wizard interface.

**Table 2.2. First in First Out Single Clock Memory Attribute Definitions**

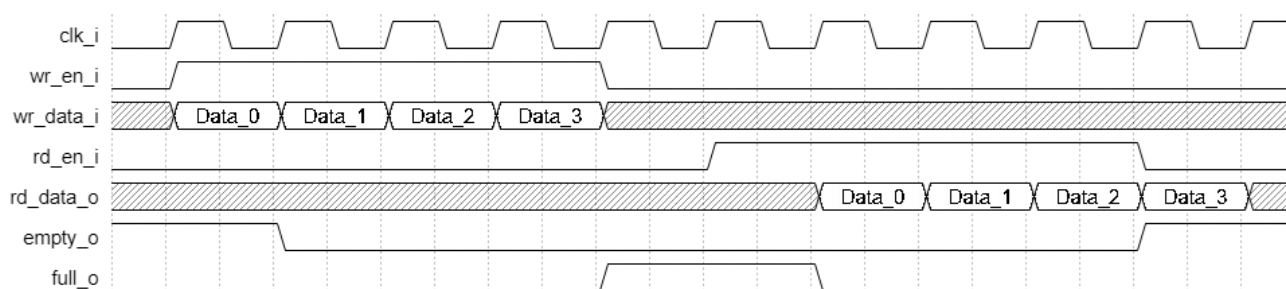
Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
<b>Configuration Attributes</b>			
Address Depth <sup>1,3</sup>	Address depth of the Read and Write port	2 – 65536 <sup>1,2,3</sup>	1024
Data Width	Data word width of the Read and Write port	1 – 256	18
Controller Implementation <sup>1</sup>	Chooses how the FIFO controller is implemented. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area-Optimized (HW) – uses the device’s Hard-IP/EBR implementation of the FIFO logic and memory.</li> <li>• Feature-Rich (LUT) – uses the device’s fabric resources to implement the FIFO logic. The memory implementation type can be chosen between EBR or LUT.</li> </ul>	Area-Optimized (HW), Feature-Rich (LUT)	Area-Optimized (HW)
Use HIGH Speed Implementation <sup>4</sup>	Available only when Controller Implementation = Area-Optimized (HW). This option can be checked for an aggressive FIFO routing resulting significantly faster Fmax but can consume a large amount of EBR resources.	True, False	False
FWFT Enable	Enables First-Word-Fall-Through	True, False	False
Implementation Type <sup>2</sup>	Chooses how the FIFO memory is implemented.	EBR, LUT	EBR
Enable Output Register	Data Out port (Q) can be registered or not using this selection	True, False	True
Reset Assertion	Selection for Reset to be Synchronous or Asynchronous to the Clock	async, sync	async
Enable Almost Full Flag	Enables or disables the functionality of the almost full flag	enable, disable	enable
Almost Full Assertion	Checks how the almost full flag is implemented. Either dynamic or static, with or without clearing. (requires Enable Almost full flag	Static – Single Threshold, Static – Dual Threshold, Dynamic – Single Threshold,	Static – Single Threshold

Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
	enabled).	Dynamic – Dual Threshold.	
Full Assert Level	The current address when written, flags the almost full flag. (Requires Static – Single / Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Full Assert Level} < \text{Address Depth}$	1023
Full Deassert Level	The current address when read, clears the almost full flag. (Requires Static – Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Full Deassert Level} < \text{Full Assert Level}$	1022
Enable Almost Empty Flag	Enables or disables the functionality of the almost empty flag	enable, disable	enable
Almost Empty Assertion	Checks how the almost empty flag is implemented. Either dynamic or static, with or without clearing. (requires Enable Almost empty flag enabled).	Static – Single Threshold, Static – Dual Threshold, Dynamic – Single Threshold, Dynamic – Dual Threshold.	Static – Single Threshold
Empty Assert Level	The current address when read, flags the almost empty flag. (Requires Static – Single / Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Empty Assert Level} < \text{Address Depth}$	1
Empty Deassert Level	The current address, when written, clears the almost empty flag. (Requires Static – Dual Threshold).	$\text{Empty Assert Level} < \text{Empty Deassert Level} < \text{Address Depth}$	2
Enable Data Count	Enables counting the number of data written to the FIFO	enable, disable	disable

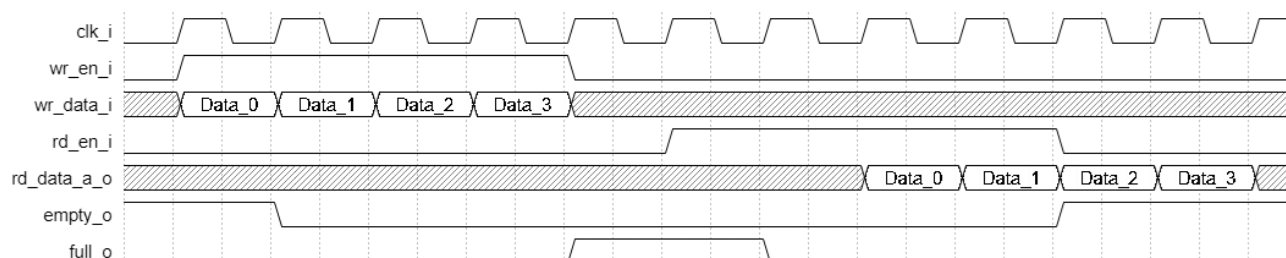
**Notes:**

1. For Feature-Rich (LUT) based implementations, the ADDRESS\_DEPTH must be a power of 2 (i.e., 2, 4, 8, ... 65536).
2. For Implementation Type = LUT, maximum ADDRESS\_DEPTH is 8192 only.
3. For Use HIGH Speed Implementation = True, maximum ADDRESS\_DEPTH is 16383 only.
4. Available only for Nexus devices.

Timing diagrams for First in First Out Single Clock Memory are shown in [Figure 2.2](#), [Figure 2.3](#), and [Figure 2.4](#) configurations without registers, with output registers, and when FWFT is enabled, respectively (FIFO Configuration uses ADDRESS\_DEPTH = 4).



**Figure 2.2. FIFO Single Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Without Registers**



**Figure 2.3. FIFO Single Clock Memory Timing Diagram, With Output Registers**

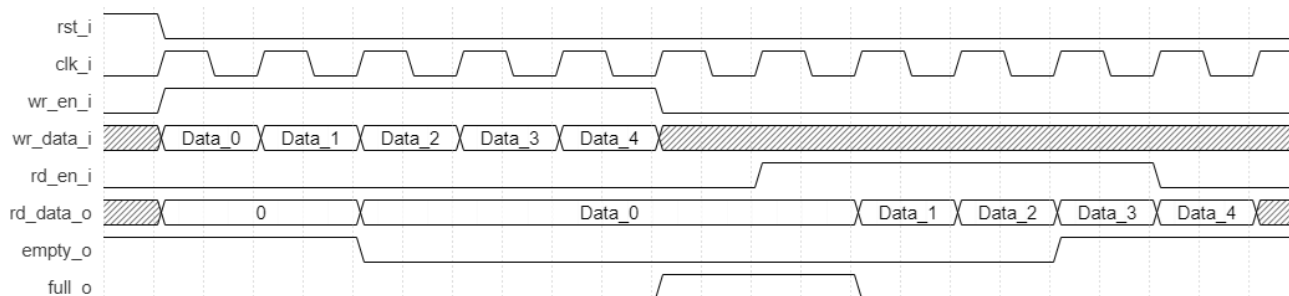


Figure 2.4. FIFO Single Clock Memory Timing Diagram, FWFT Enabled

## 2.2. First in First Out Dual Clock (FIFO\_DC)

Lattice FPGAs support all the features of First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Module or FIFO\_DC. Module/IP Block Wizard allows you to generate the Verilog-HDL for the memory size as per design requirement.

Module/IP Block Wizard generates the memory module shown in Figure 2.5.

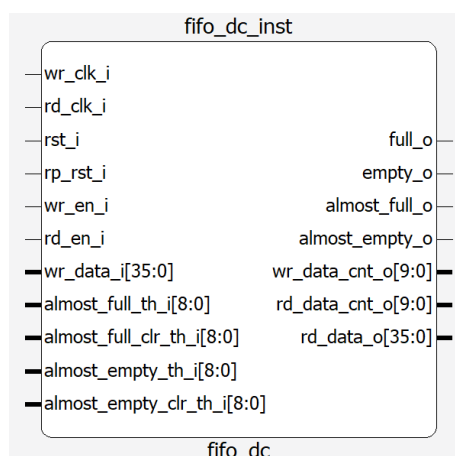


Figure 2.5. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Generated by Module/IP Block Wizard

The various ports and their definitions for First in First Out Dual Clock Memory are listed in Table 2.3. The table lists the corresponding ports for the module generated by Module/IP Block Wizard.

Table 2.3. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Port Definitions

Port Name	Direction	Width	Description
wr_clk_i	Input	1	Write Clock
rd_clk_i	Input	1	Read Clock
rst_i	Input	1	FIFO Empty Reset – Read pointer reset
rp_rst_i <sup>1</sup>	Input	1	FIFO Full Reset – Write pointer reset
wr_en_i	Input	1	Write Enable
rd_en_i	Input	1	Read Enable
wr_data_i	Input	Write Data Width	Data Input
almost_full_th_i <sup>2,3</sup>	Input	Write Address Width	Almost full threshold value input
almost_full_clr_th_i <sup>3</sup>	Input	Write Address Width	Almost full clear threshold/de-assert threshold input
almost_empty_th_i <sup>4,5</sup>	Input	Read Address Width	Almost empty threshold value input
almost_empty_clr_th_i <sup>5</sup>	Input	Read Address Width	Almost empty clear threshold/de-assert threshold value input
rd_data_o	Output	Read Data Width	Data Output

Port Name	Direction	Width	Description
full_o	Output	1	Full Flag
empty_o	Output	1	Empty Flag
almost_full_o	Output	1	Almost Full Flag
almost_empty_o	Output	1	Almost Empty Flag
wr_data_cnt_o <sup>6</sup>	Output	Write Address Width + 1	Write Data Count – outputs the current number of data written to the FIFO.
rd_data_cnt_o <sup>7</sup>	Output	Read Address Width + 1	Read Data Count – outputs the current number of data that can be read from the FIFO.

**Note:**

1. rp\_rst\_i is usually used for Write-Once-Read-Many application. Refer to the [Write-Once-Read-Many Application](#) section for more information.
2. Available when Almost Full Assertion = *Dynamic – Single Threshold*.
3. Available when Almost Full Assertion = *Dynamic – Dual Threshold*.
4. Available when Almost Empty Assertion = *Dynamic – Single Threshold*.
5. Available when Almost Empty Assertion = *Dynamic – Dual Threshold*.
6. Available when Enable Data Count (Write) is enabled.
7. Available when Enable Data Count (Read) is enabled.

The various attributes available for the First in First Out Dual Clock (FIFO\_DC) are listed in [Table 2.4](#) and [Table 2.5](#). Some of these attributes are user selectable through the Module/IP Block Wizard interface.

**Table 2.4. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Attribute Definitions**

Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
<b>Configuration Attributes</b>			
Write Port Address Depth <sup>1,2,3,4</sup>	Write Port Address depth	2 – 65536	512
Write Port Data Width <sup>1</sup>	Write Port Data word width	1 – 256	18
Read Port Address Depth <sup>1,2,3,4</sup>	Read Port Address depth	2 – 65536	512
Read Port Data Width <sup>1</sup>	Read Port Data word width	1 – 256	18
Controller Implementation	Chooses how the FIFO controller is implemented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area-Optimized (HW) – uses the device’s Hard-IP / EBR implementation of the FIFO logic and memory.</li> <li>• Feature-Rich (LUT) – uses the device’s fabric resources to implement the FIFO logic. The memory implementation type can be chosen between EBR or LUT.</li> </ul>	Area-Optimized (HW), Feature-Rich (LUT)	Area-Optimized (HW)
Use HIGH Speed Implementation <sup>5</sup>	Available only when Controller Implementation = Area-Optimized (HW). This option can be checked for an aggressive FIFO routing resulting significantly faster Fmax but can consume a large amount of EBR resources.	True, False	False
FWFT Enable	Enables First-Word-Fall-Through	True, False	False
Implementation	Chooses how the FIFO_DC memory is implemented.	EBR, LUT	EBR

Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
Enable Output Register	Data Out port (Q) can be registered or not using this selection	True, False	True
Reset Assertion	Selection for Reset to be Synchronous or Asynchronous to the Clock	async, sync	async
Enable Almost Full Flag	Enables or disables the functionality of the almost full flag	enable, disable	enable
Almost Full Assertion	Checks how the almost full flag is implemented. Either dynamic or static, with or without clearing. (requires Enable Almost full flag enabled).	Static – Single Threshold, Static – Dual Threshold, Dynamic – Single Threshold, Dynamic – Dual Threshold.	Static – Single Threshold
Full Assert Level	The current address when written, flags the almost full flag (requires Static – Single / Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Full Assert Level} < \text{Write Address Depth}$	511
Full Deassert Level	The current address when read, clears the almost full flag (requires Static – Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Full Deassert Level} < \text{Full Assert Level}$	510
Enable Almost Empty Flag	Enables or disables the functionality of the almost empty flag	enable, disable	enable
Almost Empty Assertion	Checks how the almost empty flag is implemented. Either dynamic or static, with or without clearing. (requires Enable Almost empty flag enabled).	Static – Single Threshold, Static – Dual Threshold, Dynamic – Single Threshold, Dynamic – Dual Threshold.	Static – Single Threshold
Empty Assert Level	The current address when read, flags the almost empty flag. (Requires Static – Single / Dual Threshold).	$0 < \text{Empty Assert Level} < \text{Read Address Depth}$	1
Empty Deassert Level	The current address when written, clears the almost empty flag. (Requires Static – Dual Threshold).	$\text{Empty Assert Level} < \text{Empty Deassert Level} < \text{Read Address Depth}$	2
Enable Data Count (Write)	Enables counting the amount of data written to the FIFO_DC	enable, disable	disable
Enable Data Count (Read)	Enables counting the amount of data read from the FIFO_DC	enable, disable	disable

**Notes:**

- For mixed width configurations total bit size must be equal (that is,  $\text{WDEPTH} * \text{WDATA} = \text{RDEPTH} * \text{RDATA}$ ). For mixed width configuration the ratio between maximum DATA and minimum DATA must be power of 2. (that is, if  $\text{WDATA} > \text{RDATA}$ , then  $2^n = (\text{WDATA}/\text{RDATA})$ , where n must be a positive integer and  $2^n \leq 64$ ).
- For Feature-Rich (LUT) based implementations, the ADDRESS\_DEPTH must be a power of 2 (i.e., 2, 4, 8, ... 65536).
- Mixed width implementations cannot be used with LUT memory, and maximum ADDRESS\_DEPTH is 8192 only.
- For Use HIGH Speed Implementation = True, maximum ADDRESS\_DEPTH is 16383 only.
- Available only for Nexus devices.

**Table 2.5. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Attribute Definitions for MachXO4 Devices**

Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
<b>FIFO Implementation</b>			
Memory Type <sup>1</sup>	Select the memory type	EBR, LUT	EBR
Write Depth	Specify the write depth	2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16384	512
Write Data Width	Specify the write data width	1 – 256	18
Read Depth <sup>2</sup>	Specify the read depth	2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128,	512

Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
		256, 512, 1024, 2048, 4096, 8192, 16384	
Read Data Width	Display the read data width, calculated based on the formula of (Write Depth x Write Data Width) / Read Depth	1 – 256	18
Enable Output Register	Specify to enable/disable data output register	Unchecked, Checked	Unchecked
Output Register Mode	Select the mode of the data output register, only available when <i>Enable Output Register</i> is checked	No Gating, Read Enable, Output Clock Enable, Output Clock Enable + Read Enable	No Gating
<b>Flag Control</b>			
Enable Almost Empty Flag	Specify to enable/disable almost empty flag	Unchecked, Checked	Checked
Almost Empty Flag Assertion <sup>3</sup>	Select the almost empty flag assertion implementation type	Static - Single Threshold, Static - Dual Threshold, Dynamic - Single Threshold, Dynamic - Dual Threshold	Static - Single Threshold
Almost Empty Flag Assertion Level	The current address when read, flags the almost empty flag. (Requires Static - Single / Dual Threshold).	1 – Read Depth	1
Almost Empty Flag De-assertion Level	The current address when written, clears the almost empty flag. (Requires Static - Dual Threshold).	1 – Read Depth	2
Enable Almost Full Flag	Specify to enable/disable almost full flag	Unchecked, Checked	Checked
Almost Full Flag Assertion <sup>3</sup>	Select the almost full flag assertion implementation type	Static - Single Threshold, Static - Dual Threshold, Dynamic - Single Threshold, Dynamic - Dual Threshold	Static - Single Threshold
Almost Full Flag Assertion Level	The current address when written, flags the almost full flag (requires Static - Single / Dual Threshold).	1 – Write Depth	511
Almost Full Flag De-assertion Level	The current address when read, clears the almost empty flag. (Requires Static - Dual Threshold).	1 – Write Depth	510
<b>Reset Mode</b>			
Reset Assertion Mode	Specify the rest assertion to be asynchronous or synchronous to the clock	Async, Sync	Async
Reset Release Mode	Specify the rest release to be asynchronous or synchronous to the clock	Async, Sync	Sync
<b>Data Counts</b>			
Enable Write Data Count	Specify to enable/disable the counting of data written into the FIFO	Unchecked, Checked	Unchecked
Enable Read Data Count	Specify to enable/disable the counting of data read from the FIFO	Unchecked, Checked	Unchecked
<b>Error Correction Code (ECC)</b>			
Enable ECC (not supported)	Specify to enable/disable ECC	Unchecked, Checked	Unchecked



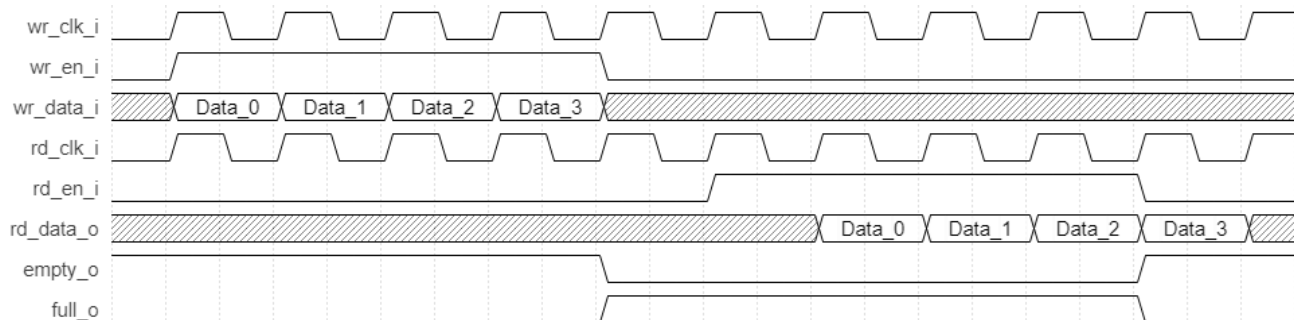
Attribute	Description	Values	Default Value
for Data Width > 64) <sup>4</sup>			

**Notes:**

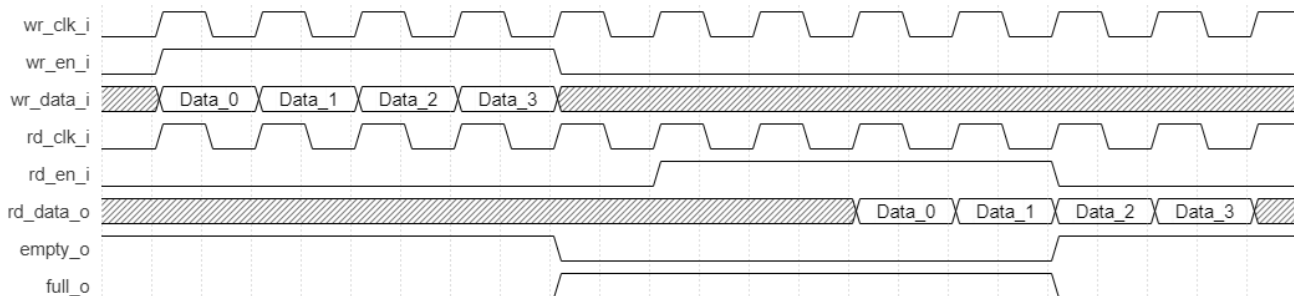
1. The memory type is currently limited to only EBR, the LUT selection will be supported in future Radiant release.
2. The read depth is currently grayed-out and will only be visible when mixed width configurations are supported in future Radiant release.
3. The almost empty and almost full flag assertions are currently, only limited to Static - Single Threshold, the other selections will be supported in future Radiant release.
4. The ECC is currently not available and will be supported in future Radiant release.

Timing diagrams for FIFO Dual Clock Memory are shown in Figure 2.6 through Figure 2.22 for different FIFO\_DC configurations depending on the device family being used:

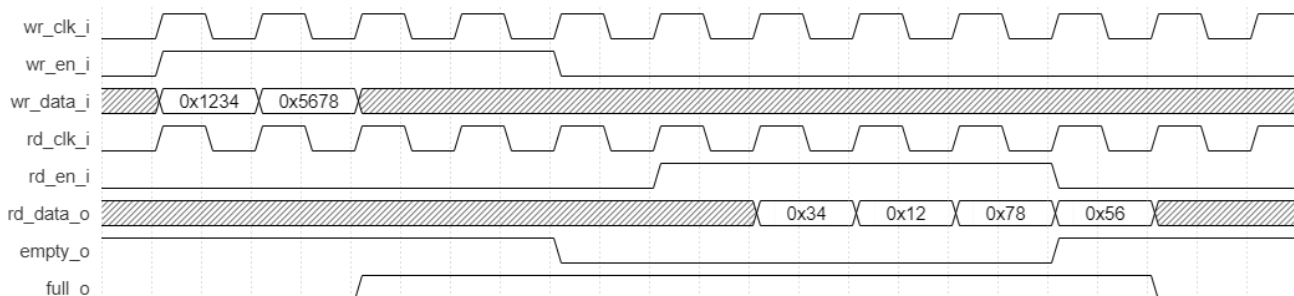
- Figure 2.6 to Figure 2.10 show the different FIFO\_DC behaviors when the FIFO Controller being used is LUT-based (Feature-Rich), for both Nexus and Avant devices.
- Figure 2.11 to Figure 2.13 show timing diagrams when using Area-Optimized (HW-Based) Dual Clock FIFO with Avant devices.
- Figure 2.14 to Figure 2.16 show timing diagrams when using Area-Optimized (HW-Based) Dual Clock FIFO with Nexus devices.
- Figure 2.17 to Figure 2.22 show the expected reset usage and behavior of the FIFO flags and data output (the configuration shows synchronous reset behavior).



**Figure 2.6. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Without Registers**

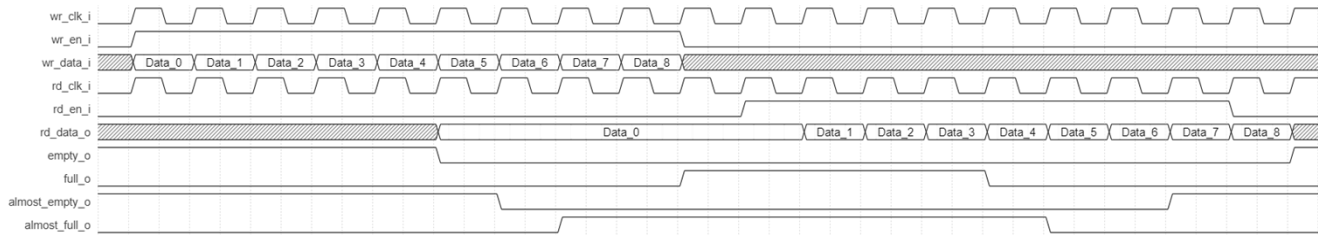


**Figure 2.7. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, With Output Registers**

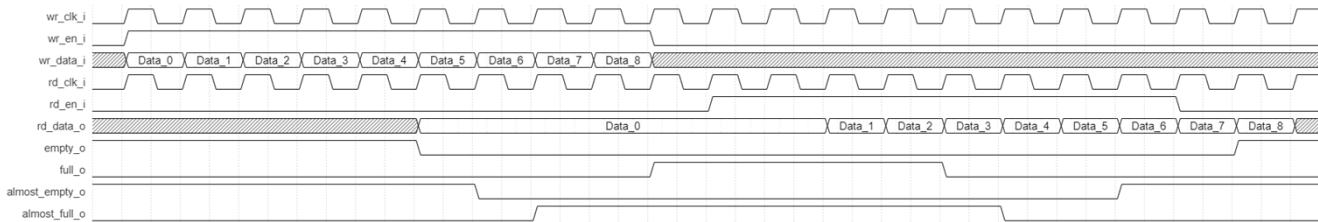


**Figure 2.8. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Mixed-Width Without Registers**





**Figure 2.9. FIFO Dual Clock Memory First-Word Fall-Through Mode Timing Diagram**



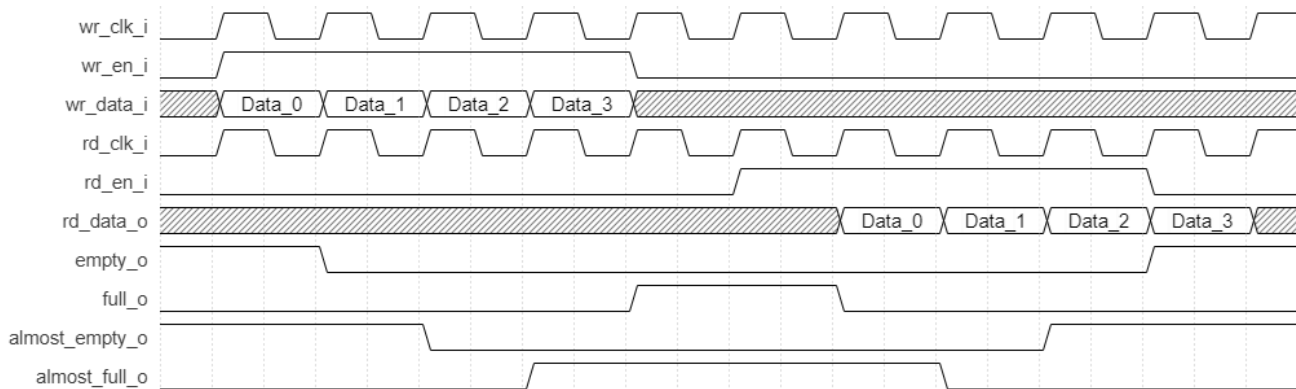
**Figure 2.10. FIFO Dual Clock Memory First-Word Fall-Through Mode Timing Diagram (Output Registers Enabled)**

#### Latency Differences between Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) based implementations:

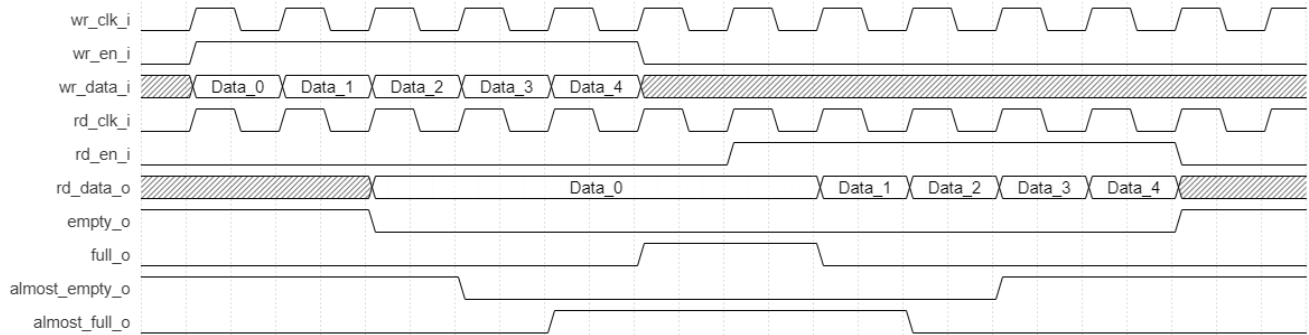
In the LUT based controller, the FIFO controller is implemented on the fabric. Synchronization logic is required to translate the write-clock domain transactions to the read-clock and vice-versa to properly maintain the integrity of the data being passed. This introduces a latency to the system and affects the flags from either side of the domain.

The FULL and ALMOST\_FULL flags operating in the write-clock domain waits for three cycles before de-assertion because of a read in the read-clock domain. However, no latency is required for assertion as a write operation operates in the same write-clock domain. Additionally, this implementation is the same for the EMPTY and ALMOST\_EMPTY flags which operate in the read-clock domain. There is a three-cycle delay before de-assertion, but no additional latency for the flag assertion as the read operates in the clock domain.

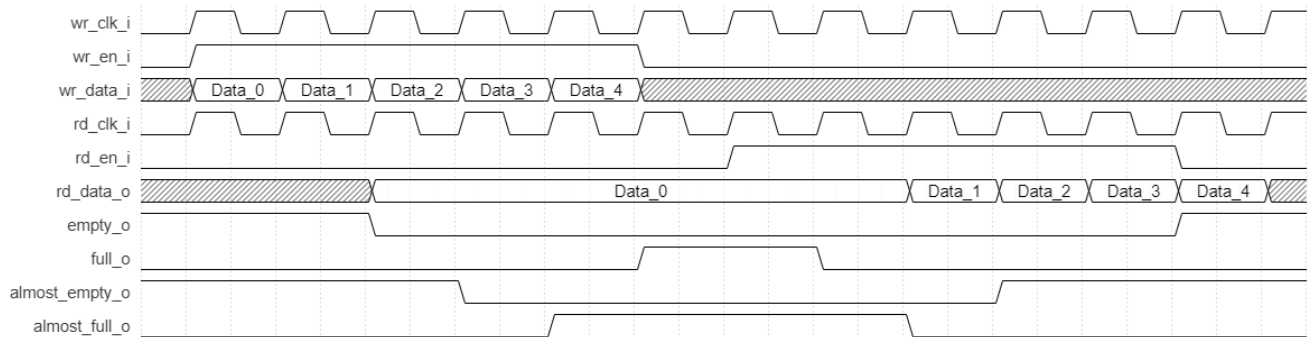
In HW based controllers, a special circuit is utilized to mitigate clock crossing issues and removes this latency altogether. Similar configurations are used as shown in the following waveforms.



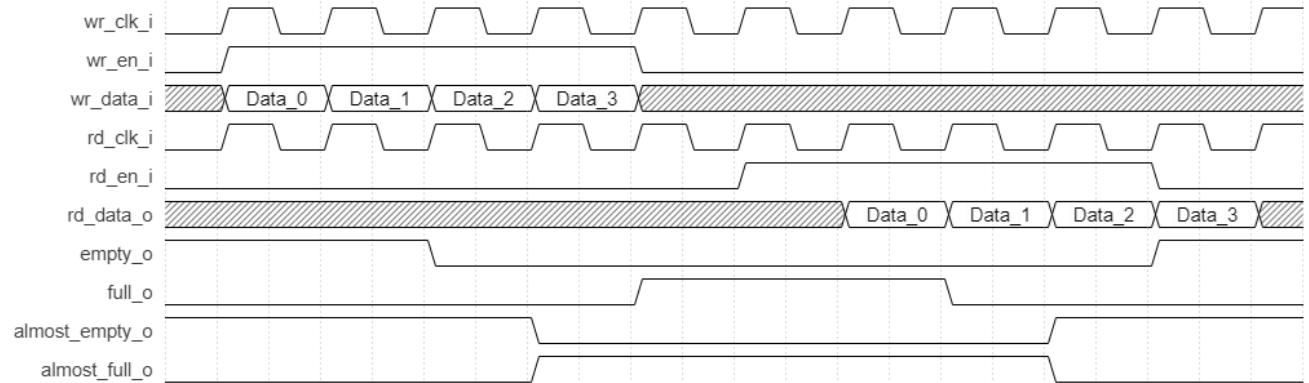
**Figure 2.11. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram of Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO (Avant Devices)**



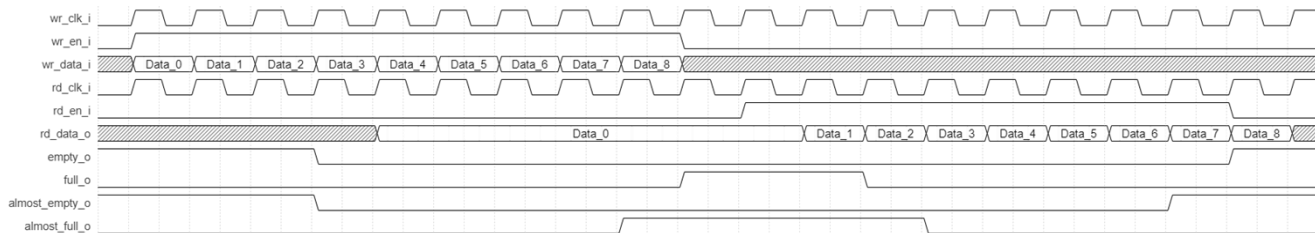
**Figure 2.12. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, FWFT Mode (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Avant Devices)**



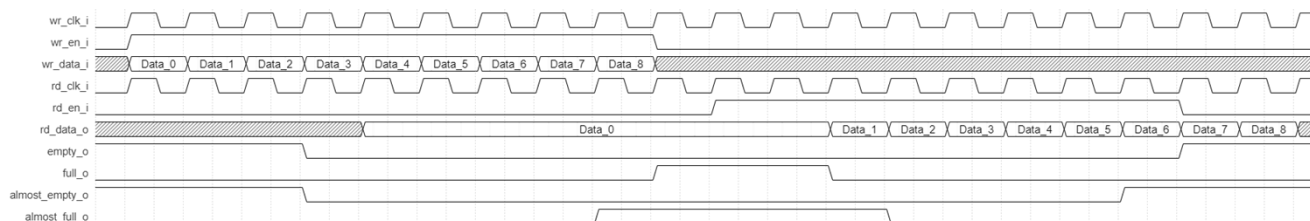
**Figure 2.13. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, FWFT Mode with Output Registers (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Avant Devices)**



**Figure 2.14. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram of Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO (Nexus Devices)**



**Figure 2.15. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, FWFT Mode (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Nexus Devices)**



**Figure 2.16. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, FWFT Mode with Output Registers (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Nexus Devices)**

### Reset Differences between Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) based implementations:

The reset behavior of different FIFO items is described in Table 2.6 for both LUT- and HW-based implementations. The timing waveforms for the flags and read data are shown in Figure 2.17 to Figure 2.22. Configuration used are WADDR\_DEPTH = 8, RADDR\_DEPTH = 8, with output register enabled.

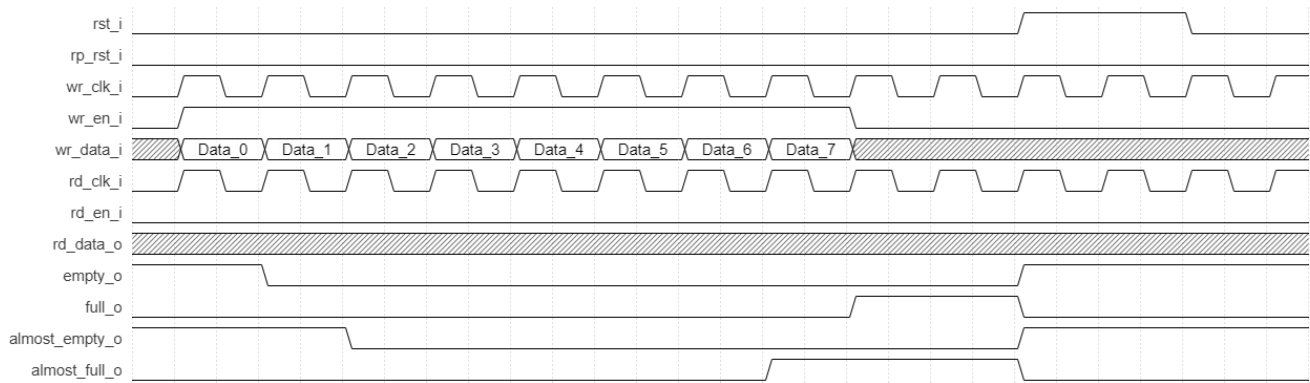
**Table 2.6. Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) Reset Behavior**

Item	Clock	HW-Controller		LUT-Controller	
		rst_i	rp_rst_i	rst_i	rp_rst_i
Write pointer	wr_clk_i	resets at the rising edge of rst_i	—	resets at the rising edge of rst_i	—
Read pointer <sup>5</sup>	rd_clk_i	resets at the rising edge of rst_i	resets at the rising edge of rp_rst_i	resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i	<i>async</i> : resets at the rising edge of rp_rst_i <i>sync</i> : resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i
Write flags (full_o, almost_full_o)	wr_clk_i	<b>Avant</b> : updates at the rising edge of rst_i <b>Nexus</b> : updates at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i	<b>Avant</b> : updates at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i <sup>2</sup> <b>Nexus</b> : updates at the rising edge of rp_rst_i	resets at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i	updates at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i after write pointer synchronization <sup>2</sup>
Read flags (empty_o, almost_empty_o)	rd_clk_i	updates at the rising edge of rst_i	<b>Avant</b> : updates at the rising edge of rp_rst_i <b>Nexus</b> : updates at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i	resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i	updates at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i after read pointer resets
Read data (rd_data_o) <sup>1,5</sup>	rd_clk_i	—	<i>async</i> : resets at the rising edge of rp_rst_i <i>sync</i> : resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i	—	<i>async</i> : resets at the rising edge of rp_rst_i <i>sync</i> : resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i
Write data count output <sup>3,5</sup>	wr_clk_i	<i>Not supported</i>	<i>Not supported</i>	<i>async</i> : resets at the rising edge of rst_i <i>sync</i> : resets at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i	—
Read data count output <sup>4,5</sup>	rd_clk_i	<i>Not supported</i>	<i>Not supported</i>	resets at the next positive edge of wr_clk_i	<i>async</i> : resets at the rising edge of rp_rst_i <i>sync</i> : resets at the next positive edge of rd_clk_i

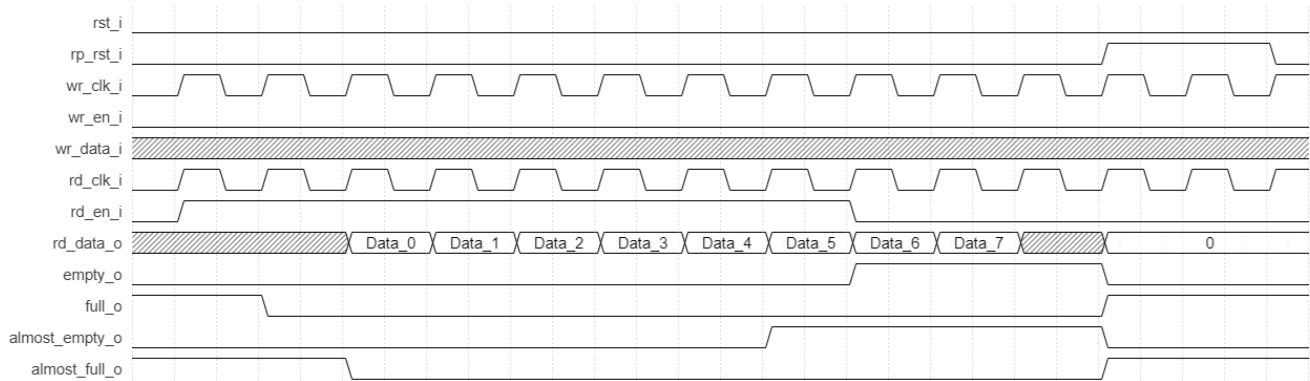
### Notes:

1. If *Enable Output Register* is checked.
2. full\_o and almost\_full asserts depending on the synchronized value of the write pointer.
3. If *Enable Data Count (Write)* is checked.
4. If *Enable Data Count (Read)* is checked.

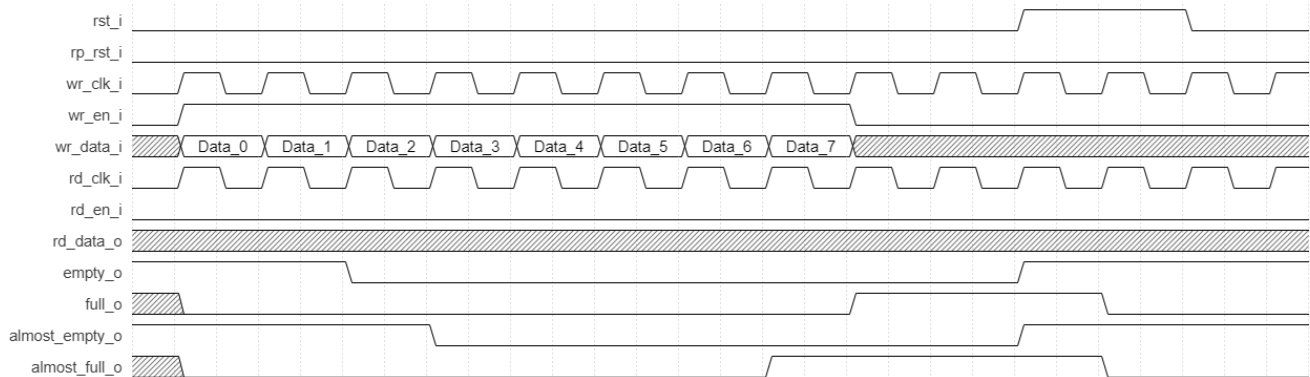
5. *Reset Mode* is either *sync* or *async*.



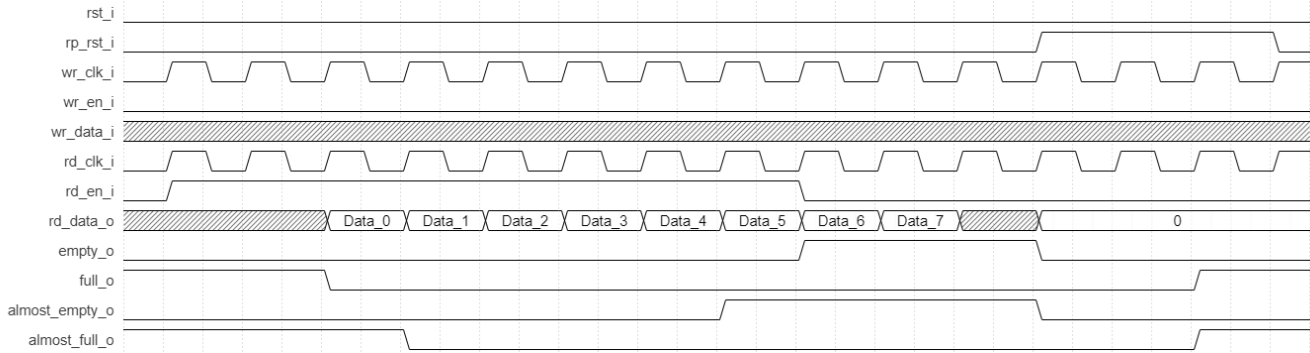
**Figure 2.17. `rst_i` Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Avant Devices)**



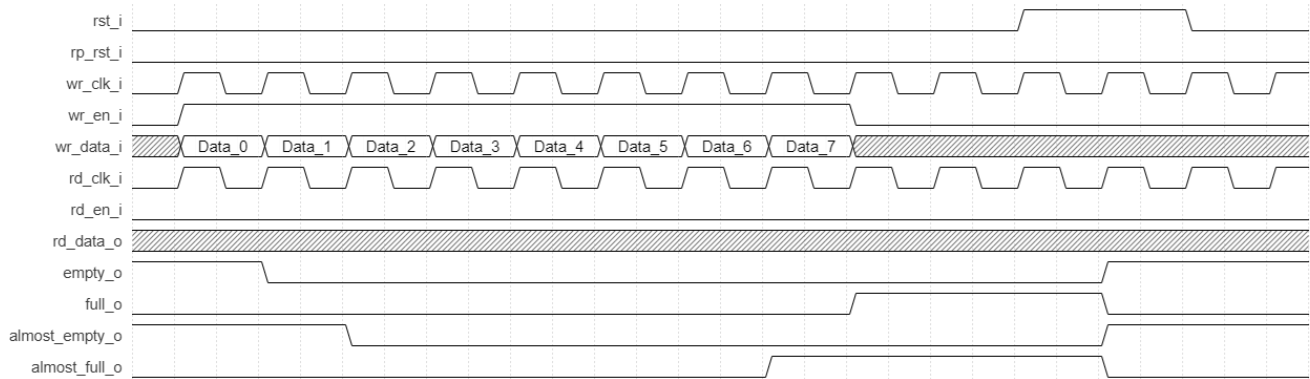
**Figure 2.18. `rp_rst_i` Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Avant Devices, with Output Registers)**



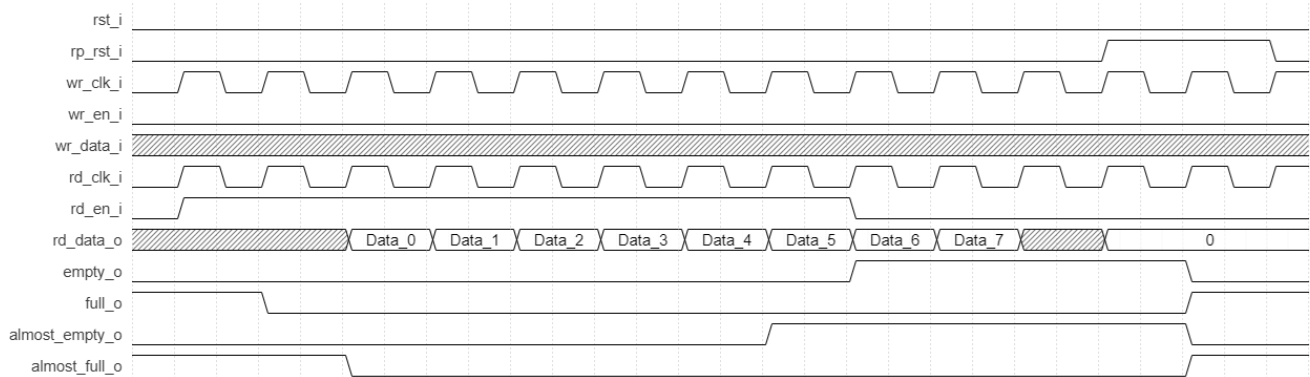
**Figure 2.19. `rst_i` Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Nexus Devices)**



**Figure 2.20. `rp_rst_i` Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Nexus Devices, with Output Registers)**



**Figure 2.21. `rst_i` Behavior in Feature-Rich (LUT) Controller Timing Diagram**



**Figure 2.22. `rp_rst_i` Behavior in Feature-Rich (LUT) Controller Timing Diagram**

### 2.2.1. Write-Once-Read-Many Application

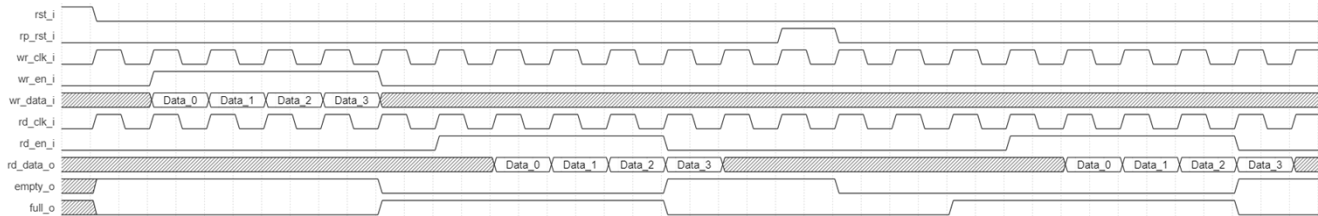
The Read Pointer reset (`rp_rst_i`) is a read-clock synchronized reset designed to reset the Dual Clock FIFO IP to FULL, and resend the previous set of data, typical for packet transmissions. To use this reset signal, follow these steps:

1. FIFO reset using `rst_i`.  
**Note:** `rp_rst_i` resets the Read Pointer, while `rst_i` resets both Write and Read Pointers.
2. Write data — you can perform write data until FULL flag is asserted.
3. Read data — you can perform read data until EMPTY flag is asserted.  
Data write directly following a data read is not allowed.
4. Reset using `rp_rst_i`, and wait for 1 write clock cycle (additional 2 clock cycles are needed for Feature-Rich (LUT) controller implementation).

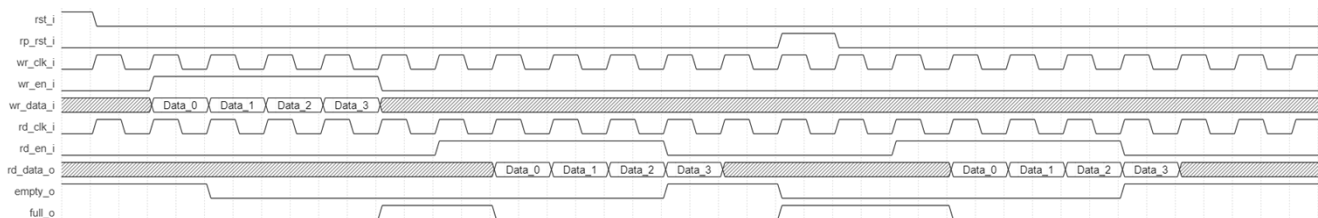
If data was written until FULL flag is asserted in Step 2, the FULL flag asserts again because of the rp\_rst\_i reset.

If FULL flag is not asserted after rp\_rst\_i reset, additional Write data is allowed (until FULL flag asserts).

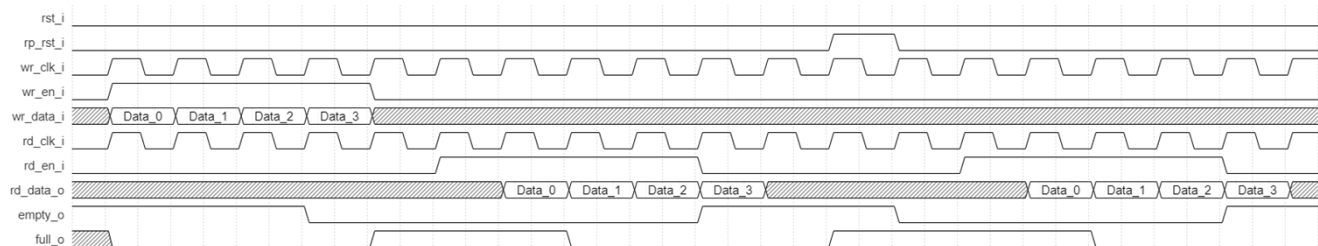
5. Read data — output data set is the same as Step 3, plus the additional write data if any. You can perform reset follows by read sequence (Step 4 to 5) repeatedly.



**Figure 2.23. FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram LUT-Based Controller, Read Pointer Reset Usage**



**Figure 2.24. FIFO Dual Clock Timing Diagram, Write-Once-Read-Many (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Avant Devices)**



**Figure 2.25. FIFO Dual Clock Timing Diagram, Write-Once-Read-Many (Area Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Nexus Devices)**

## 3. IP Generation

This section provides information on how to generate the FIFO Memory Module IP using the Lattice Radiant software and how to run simulation. For more details on the Lattice Radiant software, refer to the Lattice Radiant software user guide.

**Note:** The screenshots provided are for reference only. Details may vary depending on the version of the IP or software being used. If there have been no significant changes to the GUI, a screenshot may reflect an earlier version of the IP.

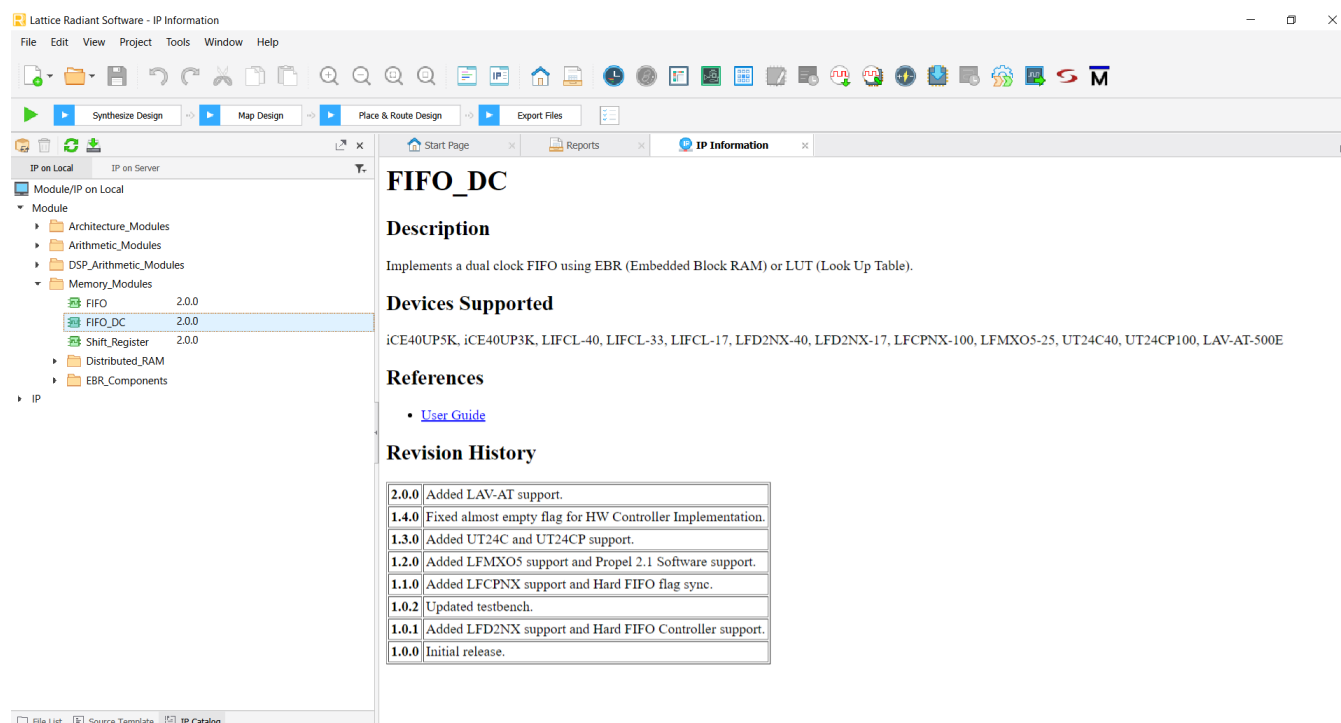
### 3.1. Generation

Module/IP Block Wizard in Lattice Radiant Software allows you to generate, create, or open modules for the target device. From the Lattice Radiant Software, select the IP Catalog tab as shown in [Figure 3.1](#).

The left pane of the IP Catalog window displays the module tree. You can utilize Module/IP on Local to specify a variety of memories in your designs. These modules are constructed using one or more memory primitives along with general purpose routing and LUTs (lookup tables) as required.

The memory modules are categorized as Memory\_Modules. The available memory modules in the Lattice Radiant Software IP catalog are shown below.

The right pane of the window shows the description of the selected module and provides links to the documentation.



**Figure 3.1. Memory Modules Under Module/IP on Local in the Lattice Radiant Software**

The following section shows an example of generating a FIFO Single Clock of size 512 x 18.

To generate a FIFO Single Clock of size 512 x 18:

1. Double-click **FIFO** under **Memory\_Modules**.
2. The **Module/IP Block Wizard** opens as shown in [Figure 3.2](#). Enter values in the **Component name** and the **Create in** fields then click **Next**.

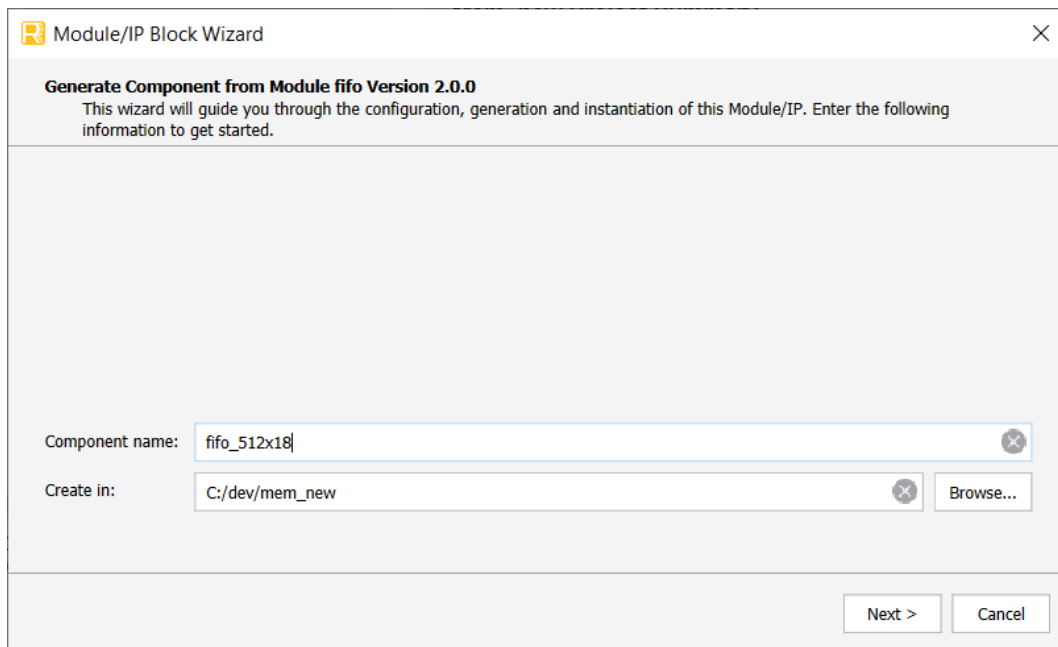


Figure 3.2. Example: Generating FIFO Using Module/IP Block Wizard

3. In the module's dialog box of the **Module/IP Block Wizard** window, customize the FIFO Single Clock using drop-down menus and check boxes as shown in Figure 3.3.

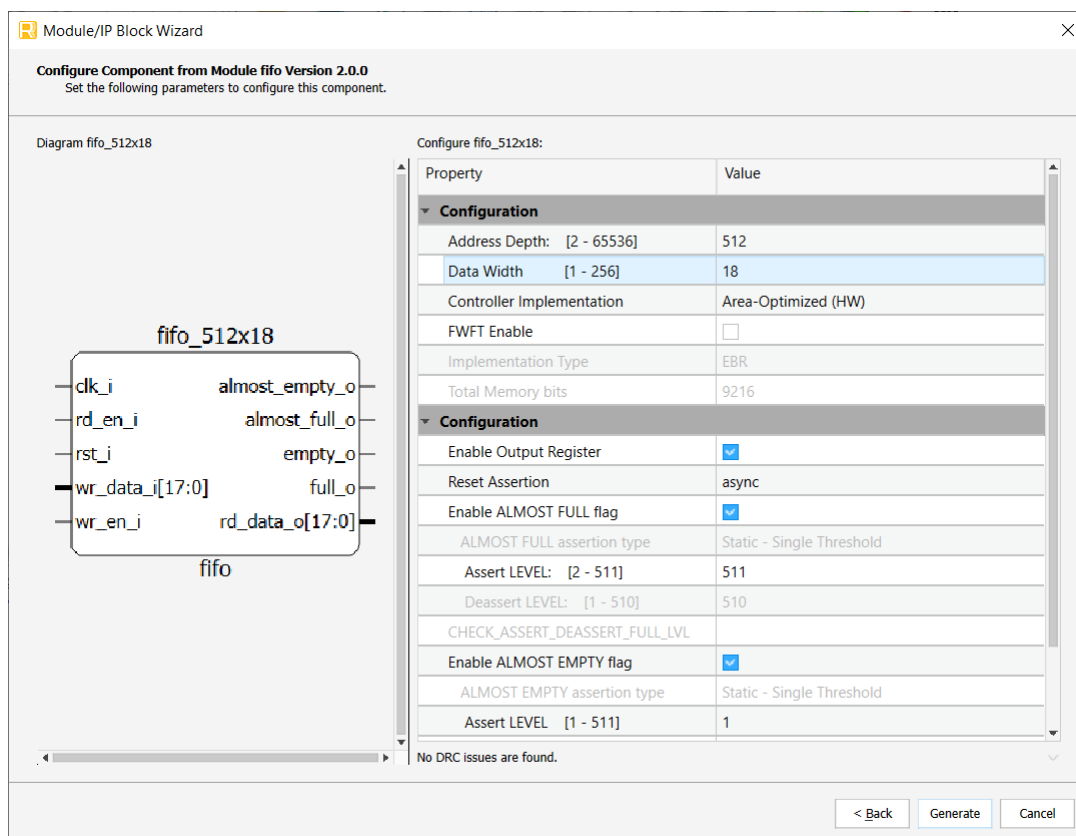
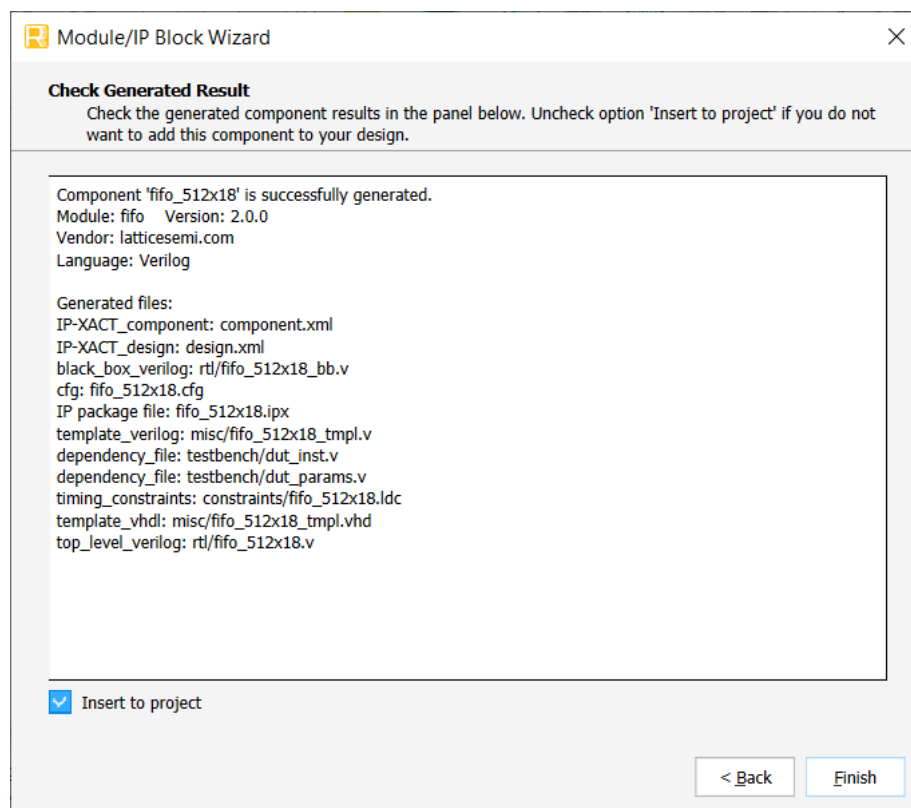


Figure 3.3. Example: Generating FIFO Module Customization



- When all the options are set, click **Generate**. The **Check Generated Result** dialog box opens, showing design block messages and results as shown in [Figure 3.4](#).



**Figure 3.4. Example: Generating FIFO Check Generated Result**

- Click the **Finish** button. All the generated files are placed under the directory paths in the **Create in** and the **Component name** fields shown in [Figure 3.2](#).

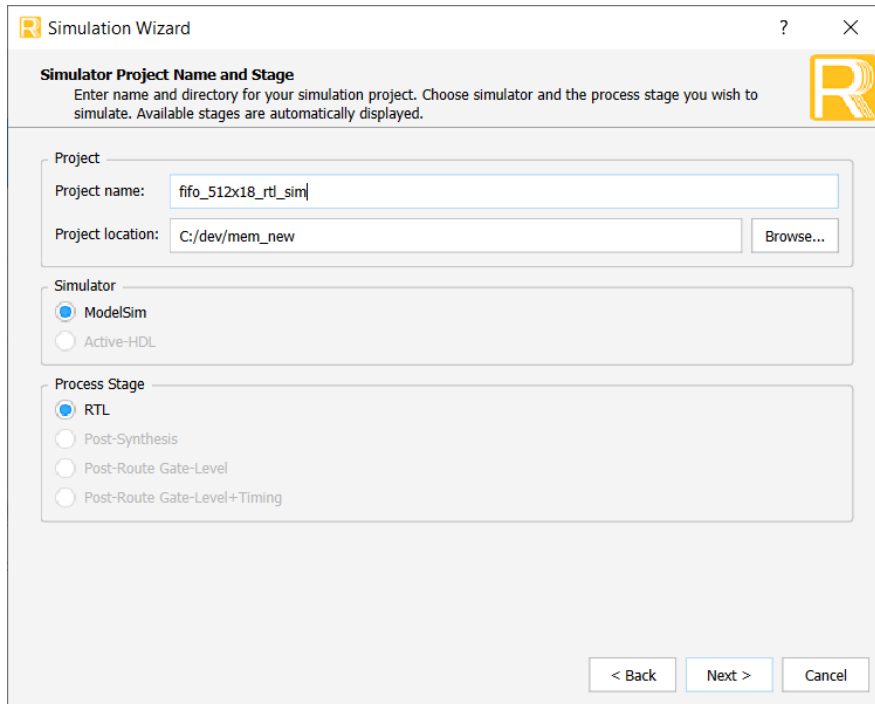
The generated FIFO Memory Module IP package includes the closed-box (<Component name>\_bb.v) and instance templates (<Component name>\_tmpl.v/vhd) that can be used to instantiate the core in a top-level design. An example RTL top-level reference source file (<Component name>.v) that can be used as an instantiation template for the IP core is also provided. You may also use this top-level reference as the starting template for the top-level for their complete design. The generated files are listed in [Table 3.1](#).

**Table 3.1. Generated File List**

File	Description
<Component name>.ipx	Contains the information on the files associated to the generated IP.
<Component name>.cfg	Contains the attribute values used in IP configuration.
component.xml	Contains the ipxact:component information of the IP.
design.xml	Documents the configuration attributes of the IP in IP-XACT 2014 format.
rtl/<Component name>.v	Provides an example RTL top file that instantiates the IP core.
rtl/<Component name>_bb.v	Provides the synthesis closed-box.
misc/<Component name>_tmpl.v misc /<Component name>_tmpl.vhd	Provide instance templates for the IP core.

## 3.2. Running Functional Simulation

6. Click the  button located on the **Toolbar** then click **Next** to initiate the **Simulation Wizard** shown in [Figure 3.5](#).



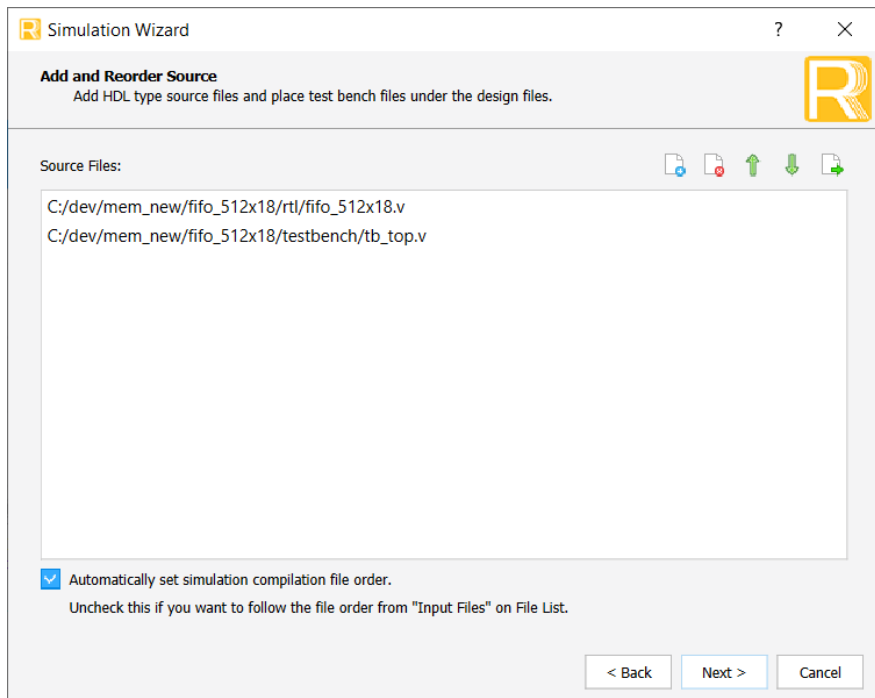
The **Simulation Wizard** dialog box is titled "Simulation Wizard" and contains the following sections:

- Simulator Project Name and Stage**: Enter name and directory for your simulation project. Choose simulator and the process stage you wish to simulate. Available stages are automatically displayed.
- Project**:
  - Project name:
  - Project location:
- Simulator**:
  - ☒ ModelSim
  - ☐ Active-HDL
- Process Stage**:
  - ☒ RTL
  - ☐ Post-Synthesis
  - ☐ Post-Route Gate-Level
  - ☐ Post-Route Gate-Level+Timing

At the bottom right are buttons: , , and .

**Figure 3.5. Simulation Wizard Simulator Project Name and Stage**

7. Click **Next** to open the **Add and Reorder Source** window as shown in [Figure 3.6](#).



The **Simulation Wizard** dialog box is titled "Simulation Wizard" and contains the following sections:

- Add and Reorder Source**: Add HDL type source files and place test bench files under the design files.
- Source Files**:
  - 
  - 
  -
- ☒ Automatically set simulation compilation file order.  
Uncheck this if you want to follow the file order from "Input Files" on File List.

At the bottom right are buttons: , , and .

**Figure 3.6. Simulation Wizard Add and Reorder Source**

8. Click **Next** to open the **Parse HDL files for simulation**. Set **tb\_top** as the **Simulation Top Module** as shown in Figure 3.7.

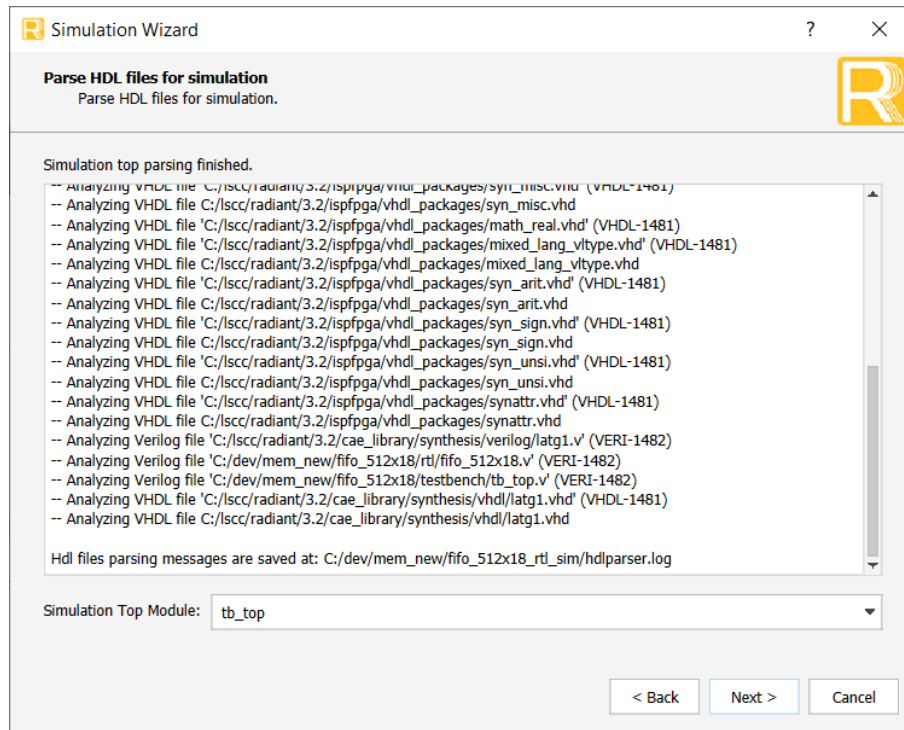


Figure 3.7. Simulation Wizard Parse HDL files for simulation

9. Click **Next**. The **Summary** window is shown. Click **Finish** to run the simulation. The complete waveform results of the simulation in this example are shown in Figure 3.8.

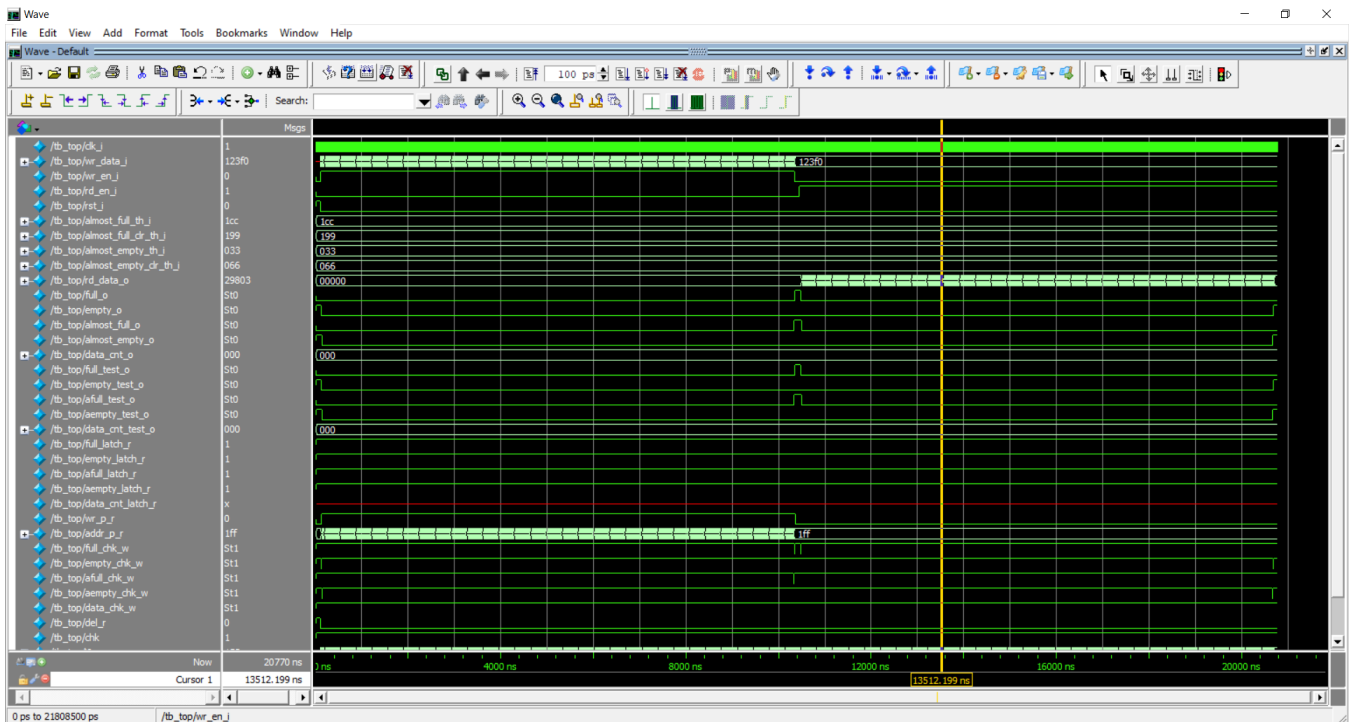


Figure 3.8. Simulation Waveform

### 3.3. Constraining the IP

You need to provide proper timing and physical design constraints to ensure that your design meets the desired performance goals on the FPGA. Add the content of the following IP constraint file to your design constraints:

```
<IP_Instance_Path>/<IP_Instance_Name>/eval/constraint.pdc
```

The constraint file has been verified during IP evaluation with the IP instantiated directly in the top-level module. You can modify the constraints in this file with thorough understanding of the effect of each constraint.

To use this constraint file, copy the contents of the *constraint.pdc* to the top-level design constraint for post-synthesis.

Refer to [Lattice Radiant Timing Constraints Methodology \(FPGA-AN-02095\)](#) for details on how to constrain your design.

## 4. PMI Support

The following sections discuss the different PMI modules which can be utilized for entering custom parameters for the FIFO Single Clock memory and FIFO Dual Clock memory. If parameters are left unspecified during module instantiation, default values are used. Some parameters here are unused and are added to maintain backward compatibility with older devices.

### 4.1. pmi\_fifo

The following are port descriptions, Verilog and VHDL definitions, and parameter descriptions for pmi\_fifo (First In First Out Single Clock Memory Module).

**Table 4.1. First In First Out Single Clock Memory PMI Port Definitions**

Direction	Port Name	Type	Size (Buses Only)
I	Data	Bus	(pmi_data_width - 1):0
I	Clock	Bit	N/A
I	WrEn	Bit	N/A
I	RdEn	Bit	N/A
I	Reset	Bit	N/A
O	Q	Bus	(pmi_data_width - 1):0
O	Empty	Bit	N/A
O	Full	Bit	N/A
O	AlmostEmpty	Bit	N/A
O	AlmostFull	Bit	N/A

**Table 4.2. First In First Out Single Clock Memory PMI Attribute Definitions**

Attributes	Description	Values	Default Value
pmi_data_width	FIFO data width.	2-<Max that can fit in the device>	8
pmi_data_depth	FIFO address depth.	1-<Max that can fit in the device>	256
pmi_full_flag <sup>1</sup>	Defines the full flag.	2-<Max that can fit in the device>	256
pmi_empty_flag <sup>1</sup>	Defines the empty flag.	1-<Max that can fit in the device>	0
pmi_almost_full_flag	Defines the lower limit of the almost full flag	2-<Max that can fit in the device>	252
pmi_almost_empty_flag	Defines the upper limit of the almost empty flag.	1-<Max that can fit in the device>	4
pmi_regmode	Data Out for FIFO that can be registered or not using this selection.	<i>reg, noreg</i>	<i>reg</i>
pmi_family	Defines the FPGA family being used in the module	<i>LAV-AT, common</i>	<i>common</i>
pmi_implementation <sup>2</sup>	Refers to the memory used by the FIFO module	<i>EBR, LUT, HARD_IP</i>	<i>EBR</i>
module_type <sup>1</sup>	Refers to the type of pmi module.	<i>pmi_fifo</i>	<i>pmi_fifo</i>

**Notes:**

1. Unused. *pmi\_full\_flag* takes the value of *pmi\_data\_depth*, *pmi\_empty\_flag* is tied to 0.
2. *pmi\_implementation* uses a soft controller unless set to *Hard\_IP*.

## Verilog pmi\_fifo Definition

```
module pmi_fifo #(
    parameter pmi_data_width = 8,
    parameter pmi_data_depth = 256,
    parameter pmi_full_flag = 256,
    parameter pmi_empty_flag = 0,
    parameter pmi_almost_full_flag = 252,
    parameter pmi_almost_empty_flag = 4,
    parameter pmi_regmode = "reg",
    parameter pmi_family = "common" ,
    parameter module_type = "pmi_fifo",
    parameter pmi_implementation = "EBR"
)(
    input  [pmi_data_width-1:0] Data,
    input  Clock,
    input  WrEn,
    input  RdEn,
    input  Reset,
    output [pmi_data_width-1:0] Q,
    output Empty,
    output Full,
    output AlmostEmpty,
    output AlmostFull);

endmodule // pmi_fifo
```

## VHDL pmi\_fifo Definition

```

component pmi_fifo is
  generic (
    pmi_data_width : integer := 8;
    pmi_data_depth : integer := 256;
    pmi_full_flag : integer := 256;
    pmi_empty_flag : integer := 0;
    pmi_almost_full_flag : integer := 252;
    pmi_almost_empty_flag : integer := 4;
    pmi_regmode : string := "reg";
    pmi_family : string := "common" ;
    module_type : string := "pmi_fifo";
    pmi_implementation : string := "EBR"
  );
  port (
    Data : in std_logic_vector(pmi_data_width-1 downto 0);
    Clock: in std_logic;
    WrEn: in std_logic;
    RdEn: in std_logic;
    Reset: in std_logic;
    Q : out std_logic_vector(pmi_data_width-1 downto 0);
    Empty: out std_logic;
    Full: out std_logic;
    AlmostEmpty: out std_logic;
    AlmostFull: out std_logic
  );
end component pmi_fifo;

```

## 4.2. pmi\_fifo\_dc

The following are port descriptions, Verilog and VHDL definitions, and parameter descriptions for pmi\_fifo\_dc (First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Module).

**Table 4.3. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory PMI Port Definitions**

Direction	Port Name	Type	Size (Buses Only)
I	Data	Bus	(pmi_data_width_w - 1):0
I	WrClock	Bit	N/A
I	RdClock	Bit	N/A
I	WrEn	Bit	N/A
I	RdEn	Bit	N/A
I	Reset	Bit	N/A
I	RPRreset	Bit	N/A
O	Q	Bus	(pmi_data_width_r - 1):0
O	Empty	Bit	N/A
O	Full	Bit	N/A
O	AlmostEmpty	Bit	N/A
O	AlmostFull	Bit	N/A

**Table 4.4. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory PMI Attribute Definitions**

Attributes	Description	Values	Default Value
<code>pmi_data_width_w</code>	FIFO data write port size.	2—<Max that can fit in the device>	18
<code>pmi_addr_depth_w</code>	FIFO address depth write port size.	1—<Max that can fit in the device>	256
<code>pmi_data_width_r</code>	FIFO data read port size.	2—<Max that can fit in the device>	18
<code>pmi_addr_depth_r</code>	FIFO address depth read port size.	1—<Max that can fit in the device>	256
<code>pmi_full_flag<sup>1</sup></code>	Defines the full flag.	2—<Max that can fit in the device>	256
<code>pmi_empty_flag<sup>1</sup></code>	Defines the empty flag.	1—<Max that can fit in the device>	0
<code>pmi_almost_full_flag</code>	Defines the lower limit of the almost full flag	2—<Max that can fit in the device>	252
<code>pmi_almost_empty_flag</code>	Defines the upper limit of the almost empty flag.	1—<Max that can fit in the device>	4
<code>pmi_regmode</code>	Data Out for FIFO, if can be registered or not using this selection.	<i>reg, noreg</i>	<i>reg</i>
<code>pmi_resetmode</code>	Selection for the Reset to be Synchronous or Asynchronous to the Clock.	<i>async, sync</i>	<i>async</i>
<code>pmi_family</code>	Defines the FPGA family being used in the module	<i>LAV-AT, common</i>	<i>common</i>
<code>pmi_implementation<sup>2</sup></code>	Refers to the memory used by the FIFO module	<i>EBR, LUT, HARD_IP</i>	<i>EBR</i>
<code>module_type</code>	Refers to the type of pmi module.	<i>pmi_fifo_dc</i>	<i>pmi_fifo_dc</i>

**Notes:**

1. Unused. *pmi\_full\_flag* takes the value of *pmi\_data\_depth*, *pmi\_empty\_flag* is tied to 0.
2. *pmi\_implementation* uses a soft controller unless set to *Hard\_IP*.



## Verilog pmi\_fifo\_dc Definition

```
module pmi_fifo_dc #(
    parameter pmi_data_width_w = 18,
    parameter pmi_data_width_r = 18,
    parameter pmi_data_depth_w = 256,
    parameter pmi_data_depth_r = 256,
    parameter pmi_full_flag = 256,
    parameter pmi_empty_flag = 0,
    parameter pmi_almost_full_flag = 252,
    parameter pmi_almost_empty_flag = 4,
    parameter pmi_regmode = "reg",
    parameter pmi_resetmode = "async",
    parameter pmi_family = "common" ,
    parameter module_type = "pmi_fifo_dc",
    parameter pmi_implementation = "EBR"
) (
    input  [pmi_data_width_w-1:0] Data,
    input  WrClock,
    input  RdClock,
    input  WrEn,
    input  RdEn,
    input  Reset,
    input  RPRreset,
    output [pmi_data_width_r-1:0] Q,
    output Empty,
    output Full,
    output AlmostEmpty,
    output AlmostFull);
endmodule // pmi_fifo_dc
```

## VHDL pmi\_fifo\_dc Definition

```
component pmi_fifo_dc is
  generic (
    pmi_data_width_w : integer := 18;
    pmi_data_width_r : integer := 18;
    pmi_data_depth_w : integer := 256;
    pmi_data_depth_r : integer := 256;
    pmi_full_flag : integer := 256;
    pmi_empty_flag : integer := 0;
    pmi_almost_full_flag : integer := 252;
    pmi_almost_empty_flag : integer := 4;
    pmi_regmode : string := "reg";
    pmi_resetmode : string := "async";
    pmi_family : string := "common" ;
    module_type : string := "pmi_fifo_dc";
    pmi_implementation : string := "EBR"

  );
  port (
    Data : in std_logic_vector(pmi_data_width_w-1 downto 0);
    WrClock: in std_logic;
    RdClock: in std_logic;
    WrEn: in std_logic;
    RdEn: in std_logic;
    Reset: in std_logic;
    RPRreset: in std_logic;
    Q : out std_logic_vector(pmi_data_width_r-1 downto 0);
    Empty: out std_logic;
    Full: out std_logic;
    AlmostEmpty: out std_logic;
    AlmostFull: out std_logic
  );
end component pmi_fifo_dc;
```

## Appendix A. Resource Utilization

The following tables show the resource utilization of the FIFO and FIFO\_DC IPs for the LAV-AT-E70-2LFG1156C and LFCPNX-100-8LFG672C devices using Synplify Pro of the Lattice Radiant software 2023.2. Various configurations are used to show the effect of different memory sizes and implementations in the resource usage.

**Table A.1. FIFO Resource Utilization for LAV-AT-E70-2LFG1156C**

Memory Size	REG_EN	Almost FLAGS	FIFO Controller	Memory Implementation	Register	LUT	EBR
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	4	0	1
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	178	211	1
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	LUT	196	2396	0

**Table A.2. FIFO\_DC Resource Utilization for LAV-AT-E70-2LFG1156C**

Write Configuration	Read Configuration	REG_EN	Almost FLAGS	FIFO Controller	Memory Implementation	Register	LUT	EBR
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	0	40	1
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	107	181	1
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	LUT	173	1333	0
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>noreg</i>	No	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	85	136	1
16384 × 16	8192 × 32	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	0	80	8
16384 × 16	8192 × 32	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	149	256	8

**Table A.3. FIFO Resource Utilization for LFCPNX-100-8LFG672C**

Memory Size	REG_EN	Almost FLAGS	FIFO Controller	Memory Implementation	Register	LUT	EBR
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	18	1	2
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	178	141	1
1024 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	LUT	196	3323	0

**Table A.4. FIFO\_DC Resource Utilization for LFCPNX-100-8LFG672C**

Write Configuration	Read Configuration	REG_EN	Almost FLAGS	FIFO Controller	Memory Implementation	Register	LUT	EBR
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	24	37	1
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	125	196	1
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	LUT	143	1777	0
512 × 18	512 × 18	<i>noreg</i>	No	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	103	139	1
16384 × 16	8192 × 32	<i>reg</i>	Yes	HARD_IP (HW)	EBR	211	176	20
16384 × 16	8192 × 32	<i>reg</i>	Yes	FABRIC (LUT)	EBR	181	272	16

## References

- [FIFO Memory Modules Release Notes \(FPGA-RN-02095\)](#)
- [Certus-N2](#) web page
- [Certus-NX](#) web page
- [CertusPro-NX](#) web page
- [CrossLink-NX](#) web page
- [iCE40 UltraPlus](#) web page
- [MachXO4](#) web page
- [MachXO5-NX](#) web page
- [Lattice Avant Platform](#) web page
- [Lattice Radiant Timing Constraints Methodology \(FPGA-AN-02095\)](#)
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## Revision History

**Note:** In some instances, the IP may be updated without changes to the user guide. The user guide may reflect an earlier IP version but remains fully compatible with the later IP version. Refer to the IP Release Notes for the latest updates.

### Revision 1.5, December 2025

Section	Change Summary
All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added a note on the IP version in the <i>Revision History</i> section.</li> <li>Minor editorial edits.</li> </ul>
Abbreviations in This Document	Changed section title to <a href="#">Abbreviations in This Document</a> .
Introduction	Added sections <a href="#">1.1. Quick Facts</a> and <a href="#">1.2. Features</a> .
Memory Modules	Added <a href="#">Table 2.5. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Attribute Definitions for MachXO4 Devices</a> .
IP Generation	Added note indicating GUI screenshots are only for reference and may vary by IP or software version.
References	Updated references.

### Revision 1.4, March 2024

Section	Change Summary
All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renamed document from <i>FIFO Memory Modules - Lattice Radiant Software</i> to <i>FIFO Memory Modules</i>.</li> <li>Performed minor formatting and typo edits.</li> </ul>
Inclusive Language	Added inclusive language boilerplate.
Introduction	Removed mention of Lattice Avant devices as this document supports across devices.
Memory Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated the note for <code>rp_rst_i</code> in Table 2.3. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Port Definitions.</li> <li>Updated description for the following implementations in the First in First Out Dual Clock (FIFO_DC) section. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Latency Differences between Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) based implementations</li> <li>Reset Differences between Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) based implementations</li> </ul> </li> <li>Updated Table 2.5. Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) Reset Behavior.</li> <li>Removed the following diagrams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Read Pointer Reset Usage</li> <li>FIFO Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Read Pointer Reset Usage (Synchronous Reset)</li> <li>FIFO Dual Clock Timing Diagram, <code>rp_rst_i</code> Usage (Area-Optimized/HW-Based FIFO, Avant Devices)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Updated the following diagrams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Figure 2.17. <code>rst_i</code> Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Avant Devices)</li> <li>Figure 2.18. <code>rp_rst_i</code> Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Avant Devices, with Output Registers)</li> <li>Figure 2.21. <code>rst_i</code> Behavior in Feature-Rich (LUT) Controller Timing Diagram</li> <li>Figure 2.22. <code>rp_rst_i</code> Behavior in Feature-Rich (LUT) Controller Timing Diagram</li> </ul> </li> <li>Added the following diagrams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Figure 2.19. <code>rst_i</code> Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Nexus Devices)</li> <li>Figure 2.20. <code>rp_rst_i</code> Behavior in Area-Optimized (HW) Timing Diagram (Nexus Devices, with Output Registers)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Added the Write-Once-Read-Many Application section.</li> </ul>
Resource Utilization	Updated resource utilization per the Lattice Radiant software 2023.2.
References	Updated references.

### Revision 1.3, December 2023

Section	Change Summary
All	Performed minor editorial fixes.
Disclaimers	Updated this section.
Memory Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated details on FWFT.</li> <li>Updated the following tables and their respective table notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Table 2.1. First in First Out Single Clock Memory Port Definitions.</li> <li>Table 2.2. First in First Out Single Clock Memory Attribute Definitions.</li> <li>Table 2.3. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Port Definitions.</li> <li>Table 2.4. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Attribute Definitions.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Added the following figures: Figure 2.4, Figure 2.9, Figure 2.10, Figure 2.11, Figure 2.12, Figure 2.14, Figure 2.15, Figure 2.16, Figure 2.17, Figure 2.18, and Figure 2.19.</li> <li>Updated the respective figure captions for the remaining figures in this chapter.</li> <li>Removed section 2.3 First-Word Fall-Through (FWFT) Mode.</li> </ul>
IP Generation	Added section 3.3 Constraining the IP.
Appendix A	Updated Table A.1. Device and Tool Tested.
References	Added this section.

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Section	Change Summary
All	Overall fixes and updates
Memory Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated details on FWFT</li> <li>Updated Figure 2.13. FIFO First-Word Fall-Through Mode Timing Diagram (No output register)</li> <li>Added Figure 2.14. FIFO First-Word-Fall-Through Mode Timing Diagram (With output register)</li> </ul>
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Section	Change Summary
All	Overall updates
Memory Modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added notes on rp_rst sequence cases</li> <li>Update Figure 2.6. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, With Registers</li> <li>Updated Figure 2.7. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Timing Diagram, Mixed-Width Without registers</li> <li>Added Table 2.5 Feature-Rich (LUT) and Area-Optimized (HW) Reset Behavior</li> <li>Updated Figure 2.9. rst_i Behavior in Hard Controller First Timing Diagram</li> <li>Updated Figure 2.13. FIFO First-Word Fall-Through Mode Timing Diagram (No output register)</li> </ul>
IP Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated Figure 3.10. Memory Modules Under Module/IP on Local in the Lattice Radiant Software</li> </ul>
PMI Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated Table 4.2. First In First Out Single Clock Memory PMI Attribute Definitions for the PMI attribute values</li> <li>Updated Table 4.4. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory PMI Attribute Definitions for the PMI attribute values</li> </ul>
Appendix A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated Table A. 1. Device and Tool Tested</li> <li>Updated Resource Utilization data in Table A. 2. First in First Out Single Clock Memory Utilization and Table A. 3. First in First Out Dual Clock Memory Utilization</li> </ul>

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