

Title (en)

CAPACITIVE-COUPLED NON-VOLATILE THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR STRINGS IN THREE DIMENSIONAL ARRAYS

Title (de)

KAPAZITATIVE GEKOPPELTE NICHTFLÜCHTIGE DÜNNFILM-TRANSISTORSTRÄNGE IN DREIDIMENSIONALEN ARRAYS

Title (fr)

CHAÎNES DE TRANSISTORS À COUCHES MINCES NON-VOLATILES À COUPLAGE CAPACITIF DANS DES RÉSEAUX TRIDIMENSIONNELS

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO2018039654A1] Multi-gate NOR flash thin-film transistor (TFT) string arrays are organized as three dimensional stacks of active strips. Each active strip includes a shared source sublayer and a shared drain sublayer that is connected to substrate circuits. Data storage in the active strip is provided by charge-storage elements between the active strip and a multiplicity of control gates provided by adjacent local word-lines. The parasitic capacitance of each active strip is used to eliminate hard-wire ground connection to the shared source making it a semi-floating, or virtual source. Pre-charge voltages temporarily supplied from the substrate through a single port per active strip provide the appropriate voltages on the source and drain required during read, program, program-inhibit and erase operations. TFTs on multiple active strips can be pre-charged separately and then read, programmed or erased together in a massively parallel operation.

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