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(54) ENCRYPTION FOR A STREAM FILE IN AN FPGA INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

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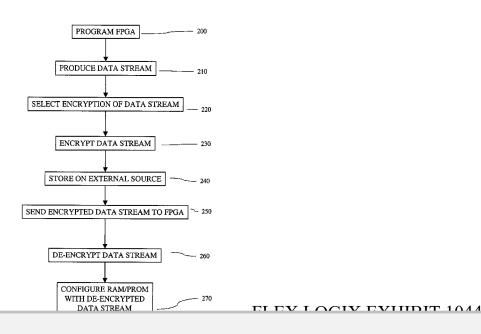
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A system for encrypting and decrypting data in a data stream for programming a Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA). The system allows for an enable bit to be set for a gap in the data stream and the data is then encrypted from the beginning of the gap. A gap being bits in said data stream that correspond to unprogrammed addresses of a memory in the field programmable gate array. The data is then decrypted by the FPGA when the bit stream is received and an enable bit is detected in a gap of the data stream.

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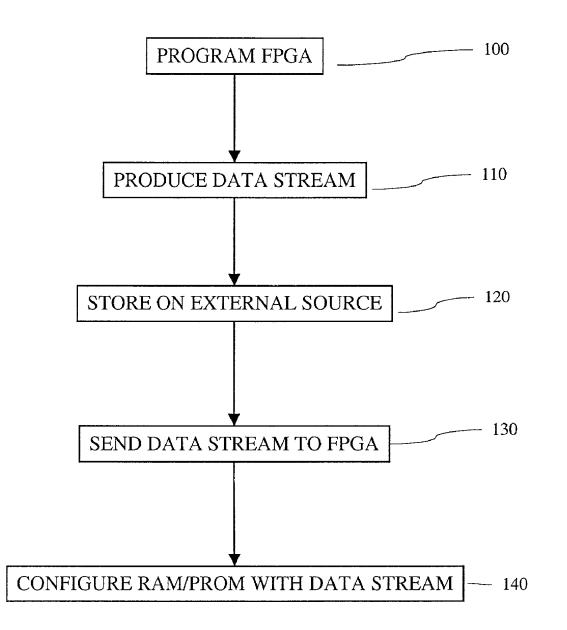
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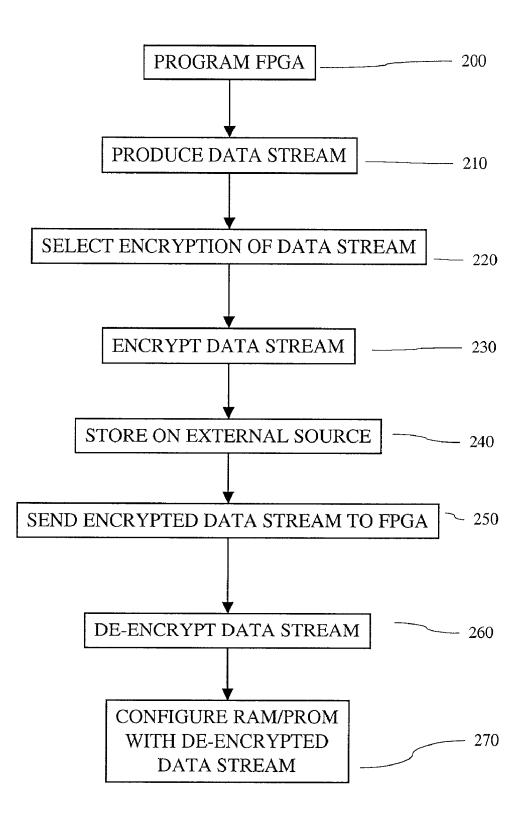
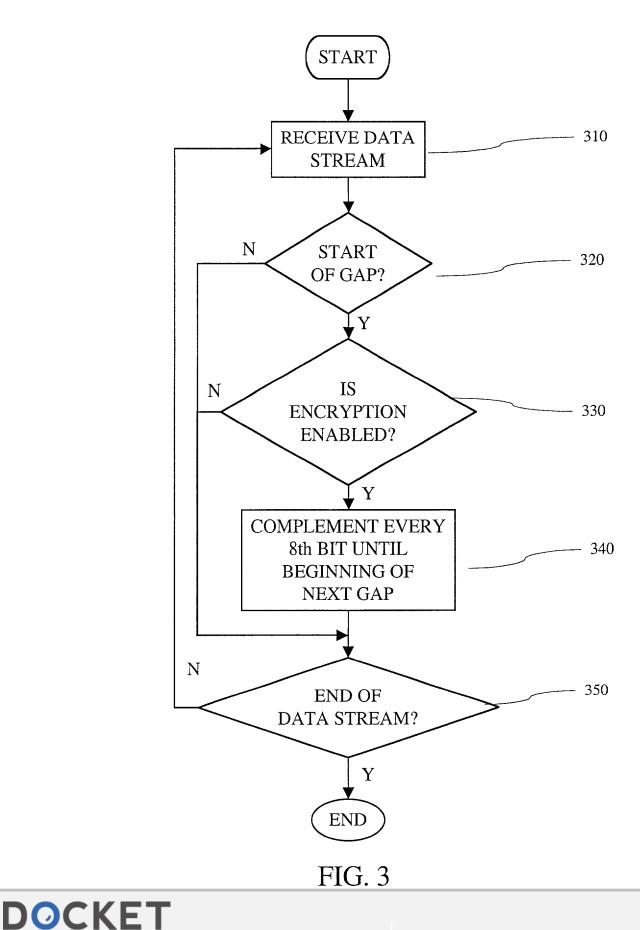


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