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(54) **POWER CHANNEL MONITOR FOR A MULTICORE PROCESSOR**

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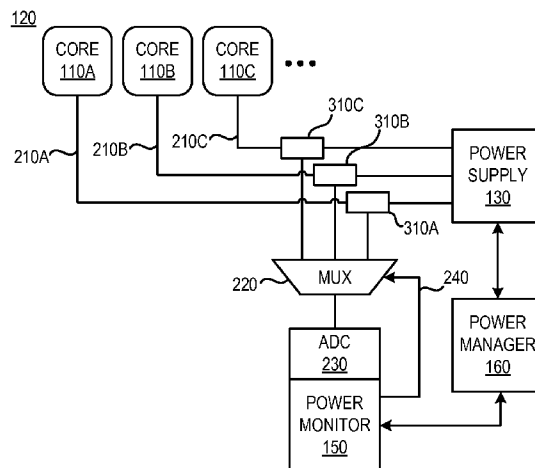
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ABSTRACT

Technologies are generally described for power channel monitoring in multicore processors. A power management system can be configured to monitor the power channels supplying individual cores within a multicore processor. A power channel monitor can provide a direct measurement of power consumption for each core. The power consumption of individual cores can indicate which cores are encountering higher or lower usage. The usage determination can be made without sending any data messages to, or from, the cores being measured. The determined usage load being serviced by each processor core may be used to adjust power and/or clock signals supplied to the cores.

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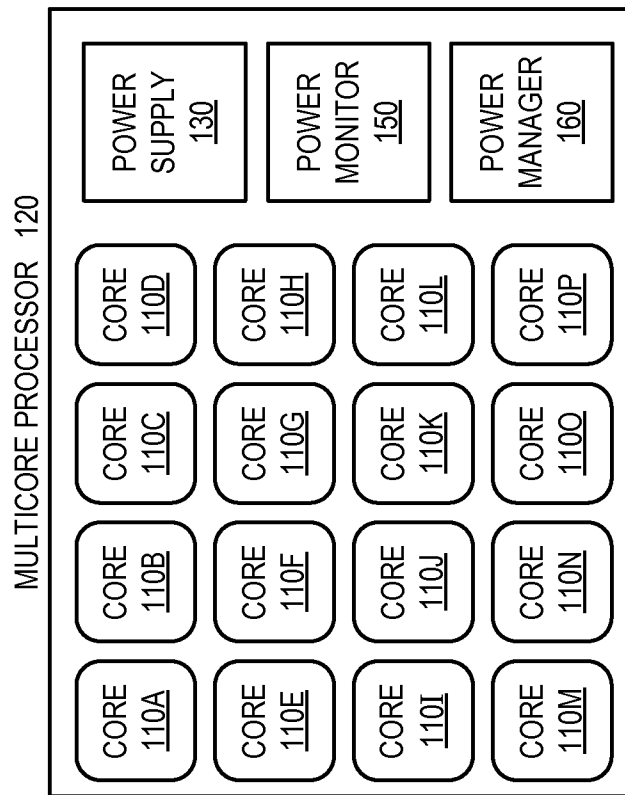


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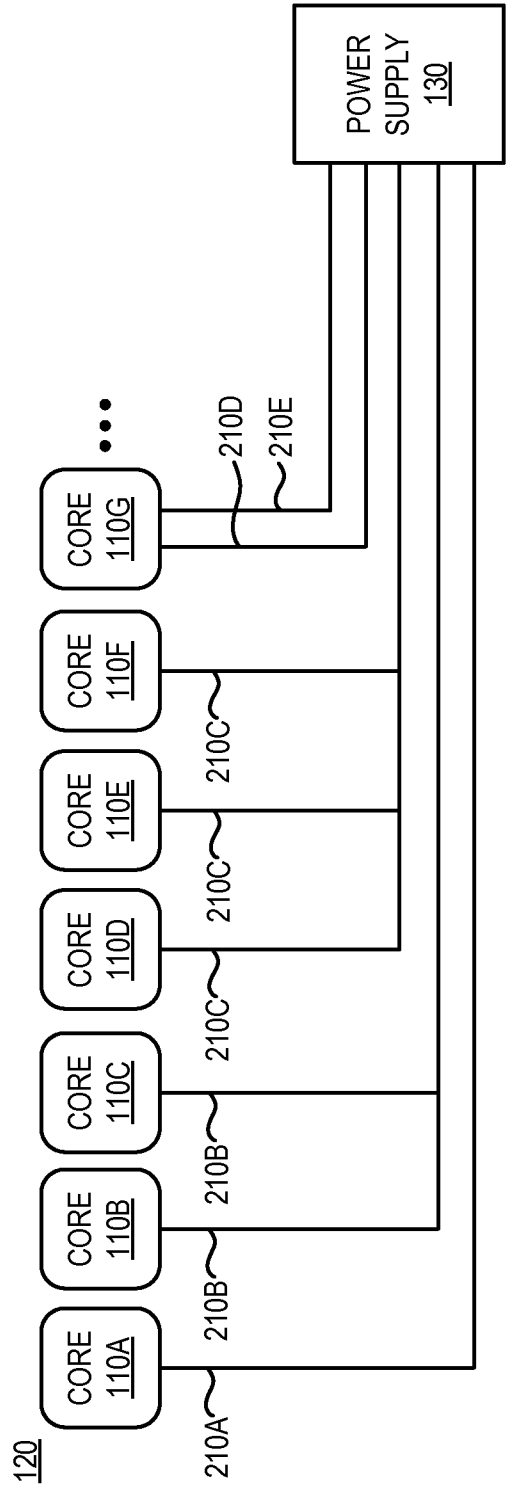


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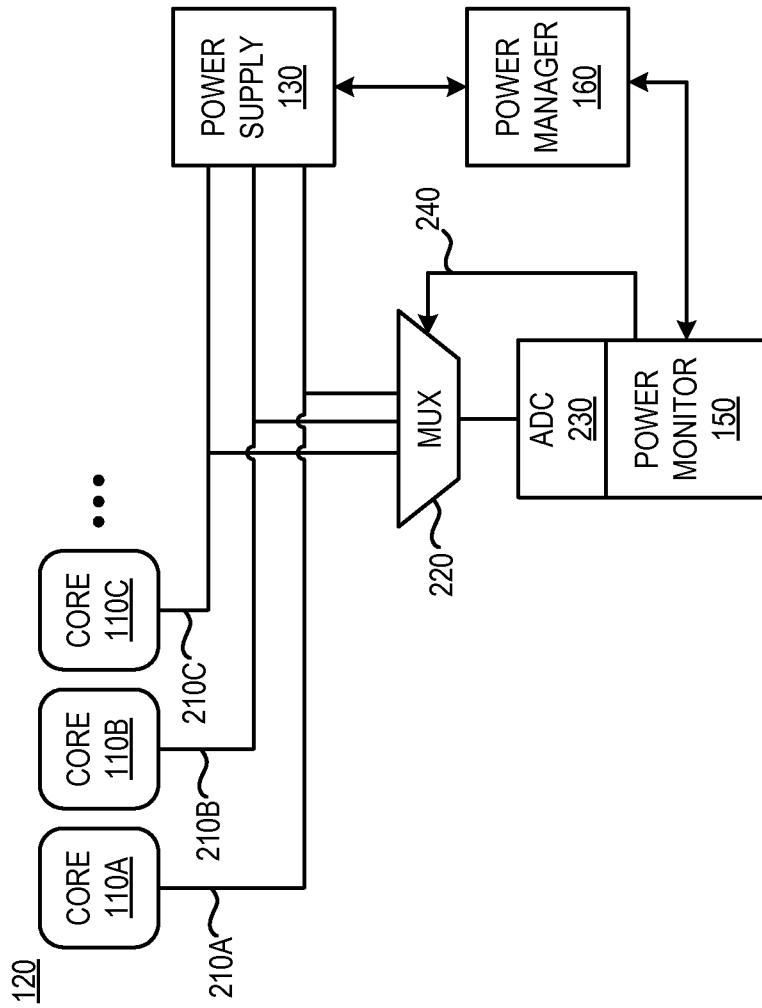


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