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(54) CIRCUIT WITH INTERCONNECT TEST UNIT

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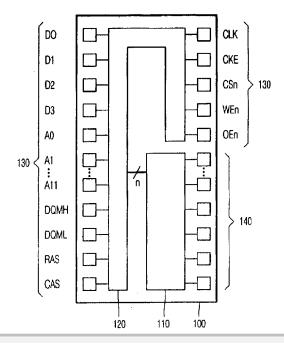
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(57) ABSTRACT

An electronic circuit comprises a plurality of input/output (I/O) nodes for connecting the electronic circuit to a further electronic circuit via interconnects. A main unit implements a normal mode function of the electronic circuit. A test unit tests the interconnects. The electronic circuit has a normal mode in which the I/O nodes are logically connected to the main unit and a test mode in which the I/O nodes are logically connected to the test unit. In the test mode the test unit is operable as a low complexity memory via the I/O nodes.

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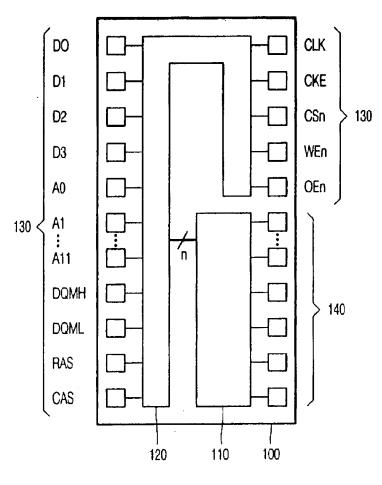


FIG. 1

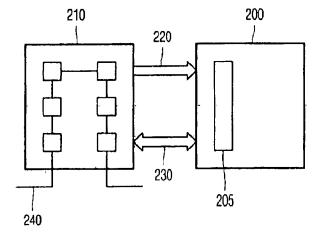


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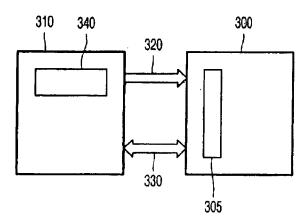


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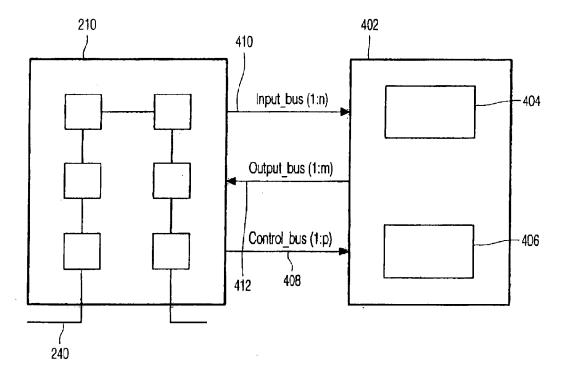


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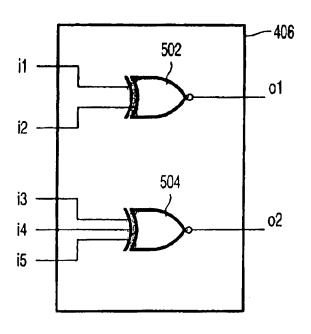


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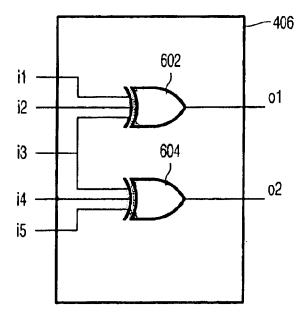


FIG. 6



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