

A 90nm 6.5GHz 256x64b Dual Supply Register File with Split Decoder Scheme

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Abstract

This paper describes a 256x64b 2-read, 1-write ported static register file for 6.5GHz operation in 1.2V, 90nm CMOS. Read/write select drivers and decoder use 0.9V lower supply to reduce total energy by 23%. Local/global bitlines use a leakage-tolerant split-decoder scheme with conditional precharge to achieve 65% (90%) higher DC robustness compared to conventional static (dynamic) bitline scheme.

