

## **PRESS RELEASE: The Patent Office, Government of India has granted IIT Indore a patent for memory design.**

The Indian patent office has granted IIT Indore patent on “**P-N tuned Differential 8T Static Random Access Memory (SRAM) cell**”. The invention relates generally to integrated circuits, and more particularly to ultra-low power SRAM. In order to reduce the power consumption in a memory cell array, supply voltage scaling is the most preferred way. Supply voltage scaling enables the operation in sub-threshold regime, wherein there will be minimum power consumption by the circuit. It is achieved by selecting the supply voltage below the threshold voltage of the metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect-transistor (MOSFET) device used. Supply voltage scaling through VLSI design comes with the constraints such as apparent loss in Static Noise Margin (SNM), current fluctuations, restraining the number of cells that may be connected to a single bit-line. The invention reduces the read-disturb and improve the write-ability of SRAM cell so as to operate the same more efficiently in ultra-low power operations. This invention also enhances the immunity of SRAM cell with process-voltage-temperature variations in sub-threshold region. This is achieved by cutting the feedback and restricting the current through true storage node to ground, thereby improving the write-ability and write speed of 8T SRAM cell allows setting a common write pulse width, improving writing speed. The absence of direct disturbance on true storage node during read operation, results in the reduction of failure probability under inter or intra die variations. This novel SRAM cell will enable the designers to build a robust memory array.

### **Patent details**

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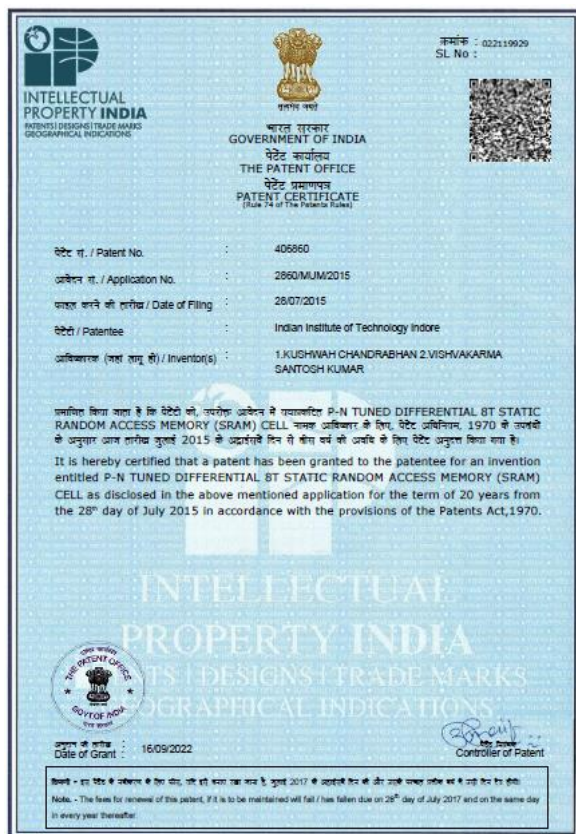
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