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(54) Title: ON-CHIP INTEGRATED PROCESSING AND POWER GENERATION

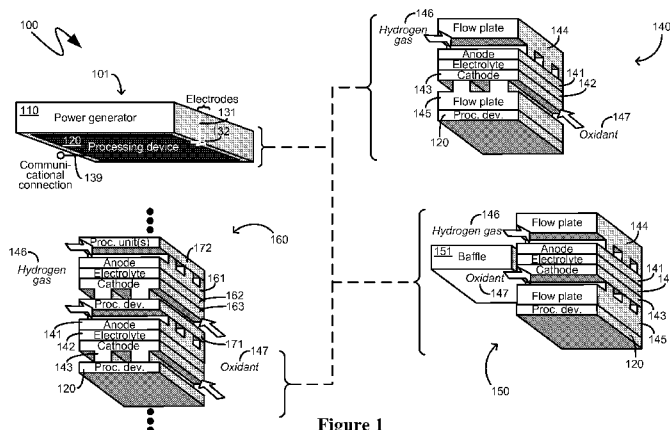


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A self-powered processing device comprises both a processing device and a power generator that are physically, electrically, and thermally coupled to one another. The power generator can be a fuel cell that can be manufactured from materials that can also support processing circuitry, such as silicon-based materials. A thermal coupling between the power generator and the processing device can include a thermoelectric either generating electrical power from the temperature differential or consuming electrical power to generate a temperature differential. A computing device with self-powered processing devices also includes energy storage devices to store excess energy produced by the self-powered processing device and provide it back during times of need. The self-powered processing device comprises either a wireless or wired network connection, the latter being connectable to a slot on a backplane that can aggregate multiple self-powered processing devices and provide fuel delivery paths for them.

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1. claims: 2-6, 10(completely); 1(partially)

Self-powered processing device with thermal coupling between power generator and processor. System comprising a plurality of such devices (claim 10).

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2. claims: 7-9(completely); 1(partially)

Self-powered processing device with power-state transition control, i.e. during a transition the inertia of the power generator is compensated by an energy storage device (claim 9) or by computer-executable instructions that control the amount of power required by the processor (claims 7 and 8).

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