

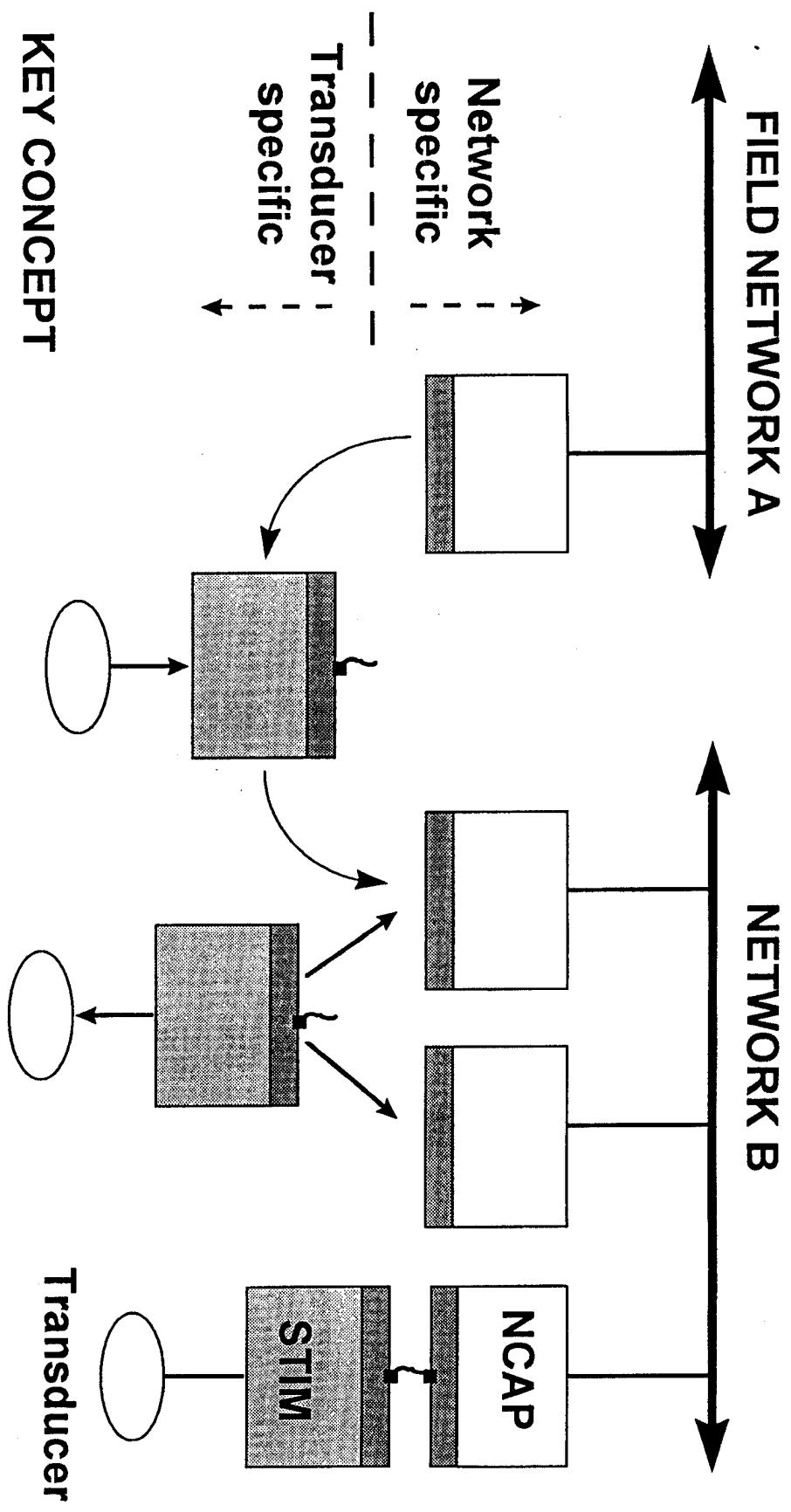
# Outline

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- Overview of IEEE 1451 Transducer Interface Std
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- 12b DACs
- EEPROM cell
- On-chip downloader, debugger & emulator tools
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# IEEE 1451.2 Transducer Interface Std

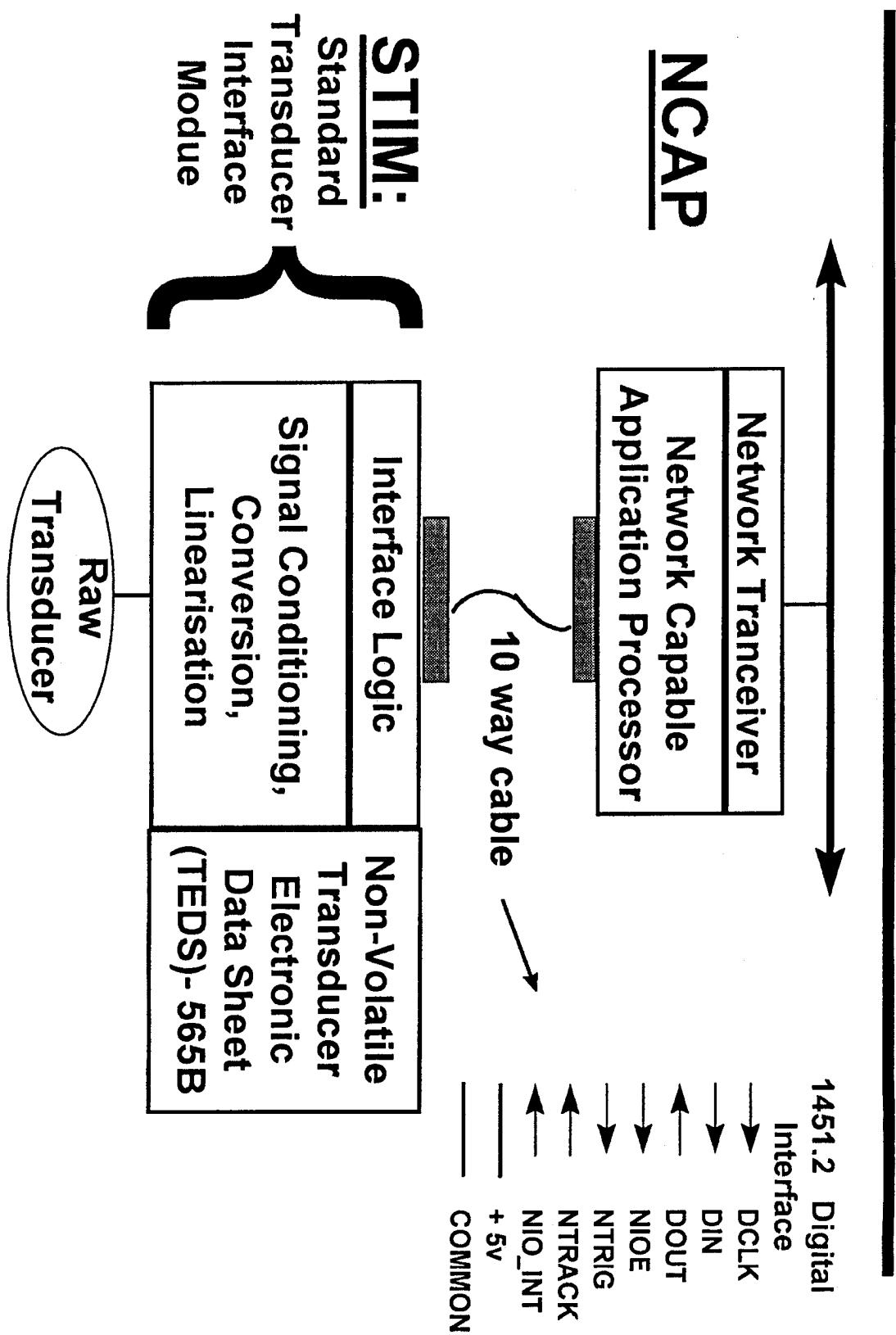


## KEY CONCEPT

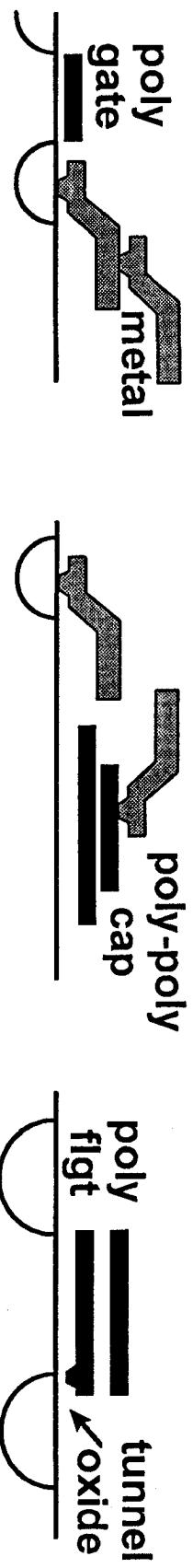
Transducers can be ... between  
easily interchanged ..... networks



# IEEE 1451.2 Std (contd)



# Analog+EEPROM Integration Challenges



CMOS: 12-13 masks

Mix-Sig CMOS: 14-16 masks

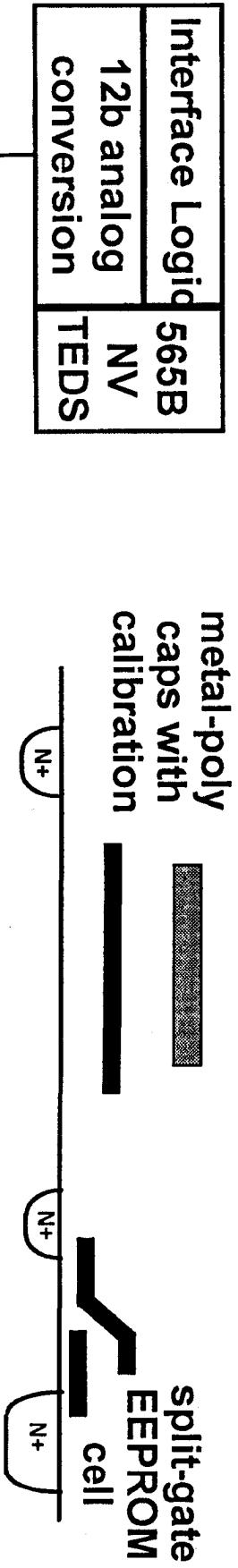
EEPROM: 19-21 masks

*Traditionally v. difficult to integrate due to different process complexities*

**STIM:**



**This chip:**

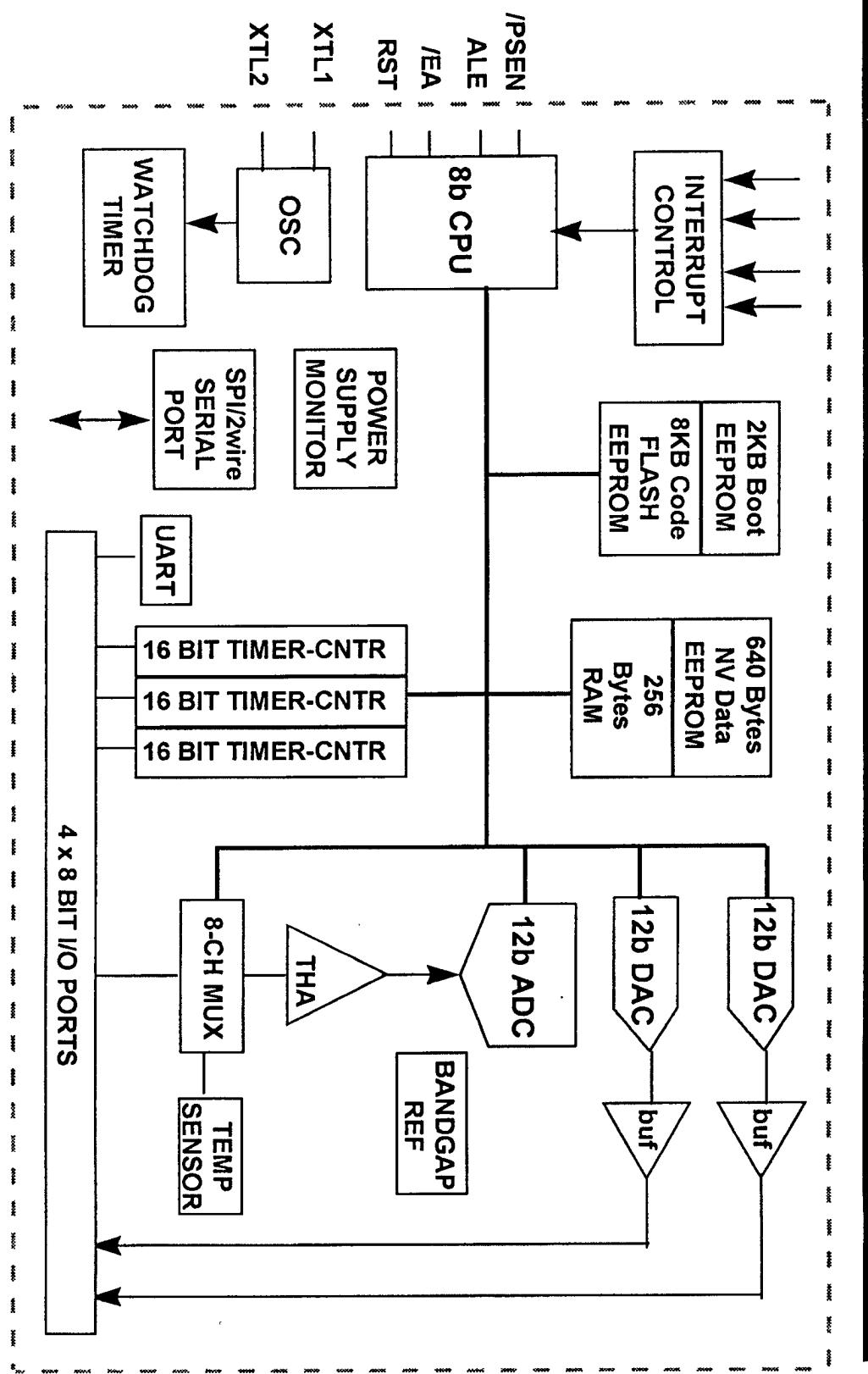


CMOS with Emb split-gate Flash EEPROM:  
much simpler, only 15-18 masks

**Gas Detector**

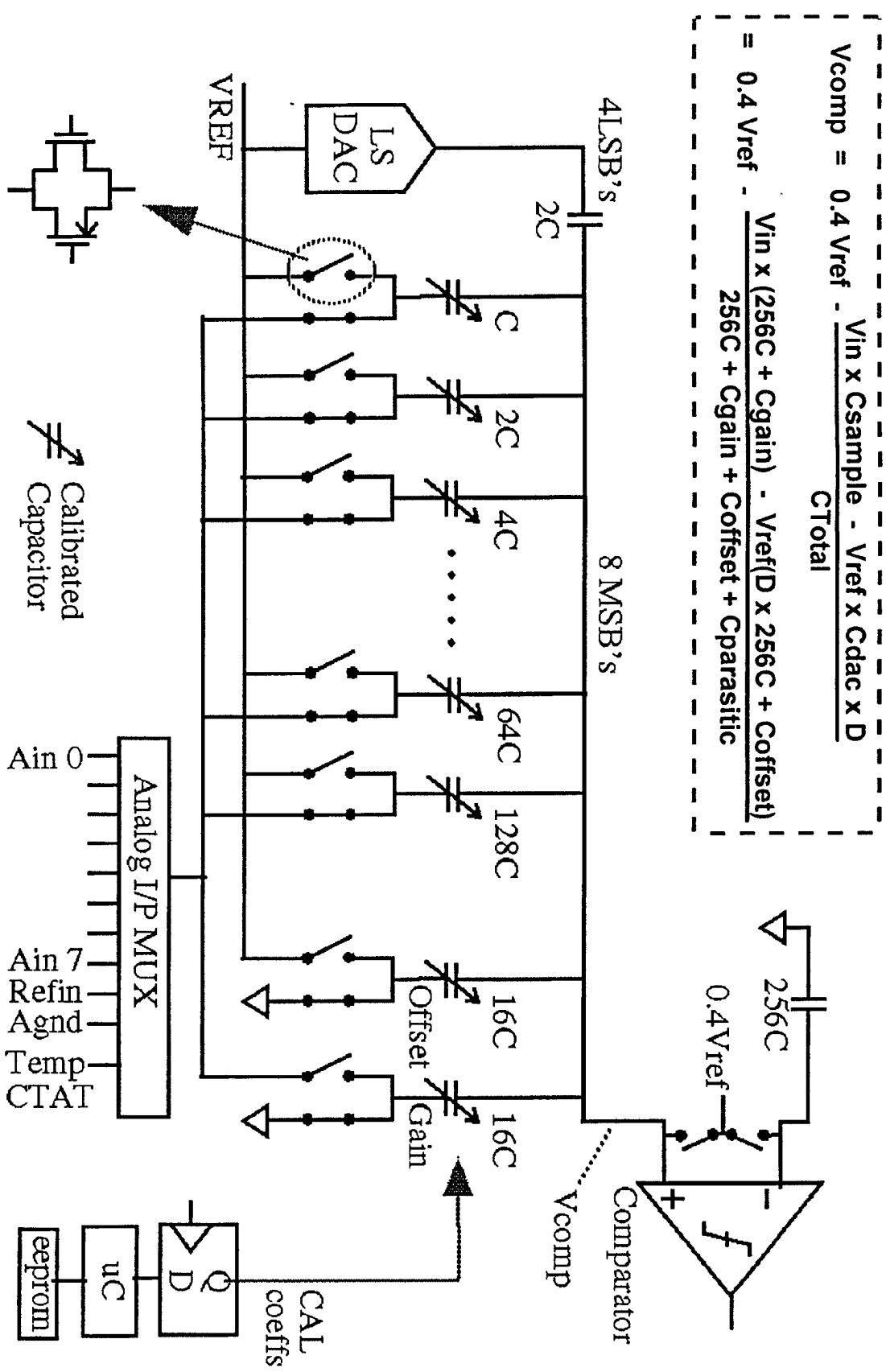


# Chip Block Diagram



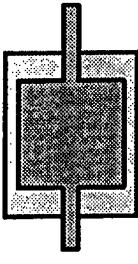
True 12-bit Analog Conversion + 8b uC + Flash EEPROM

# 8-ch 12b ADC - SAR DAC Schematic



# 12b Analog-to-Digital Converter

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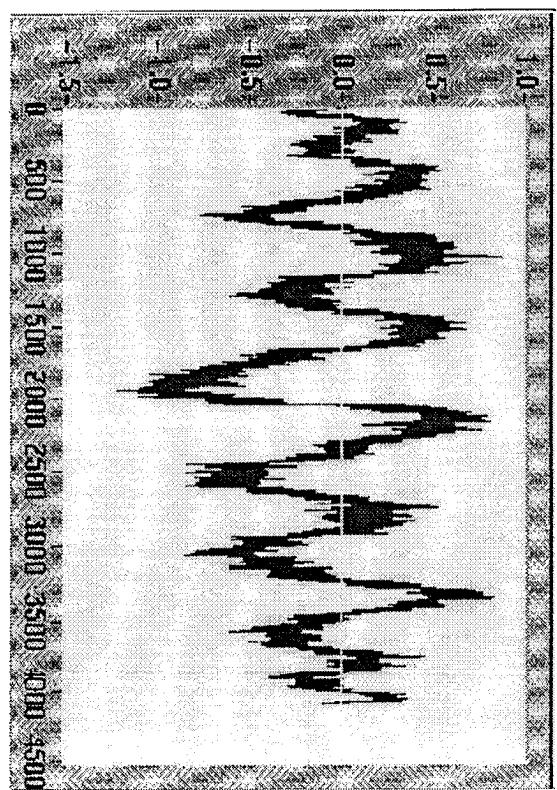
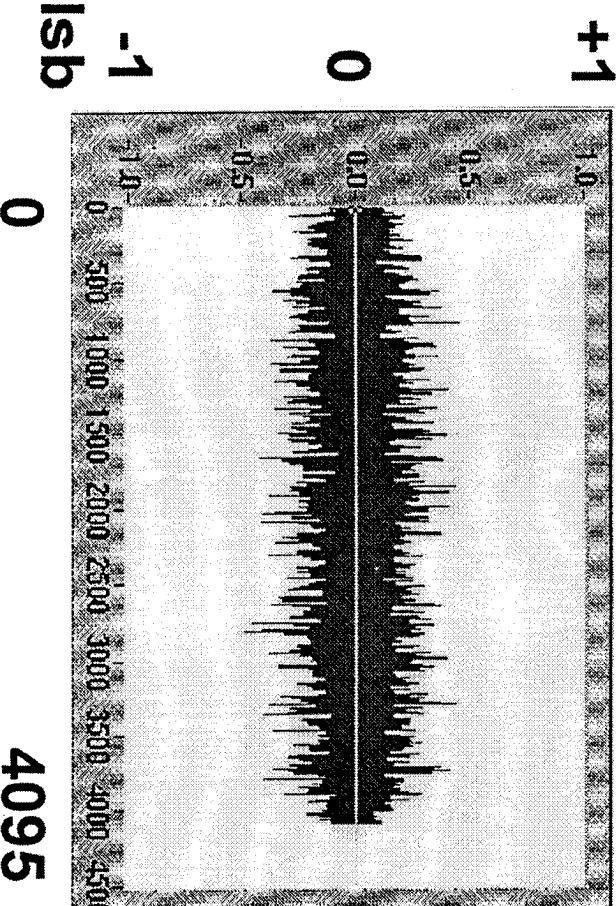
- SAR type, 8-channel, 12b,  $5\mu\text{s}$  conversion
- $I_{aa} = 1.5\text{mA}$  max
- Uses Metal-Poly capacitors with calibration to simplify process complexity;
- Unit Cap =  $14 \times 13 \mu\text{m}$  ( $7.64\text{fF}$ )  

- Calibration coefficients:
  - Factory default values, or
  - in-situ per-channel values,  
e.g. transducer offset +/- 3% can be nulled



# 12b ADC - Performance & Results

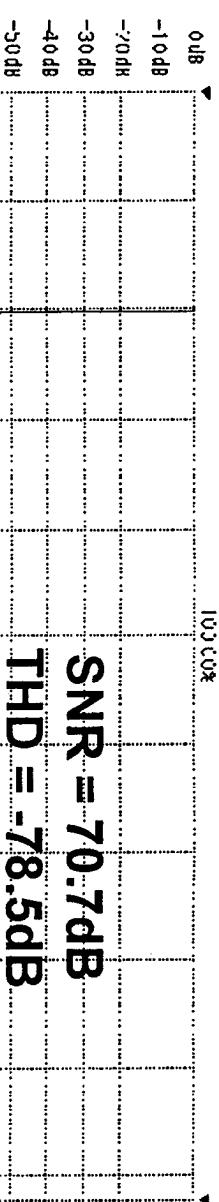
DNL

INL



V<sub>CC</sub> = +3V  
V<sub>ref</sub> = +2.5V  
F<sub>in</sub> = 1KHz  
Temp = 25C

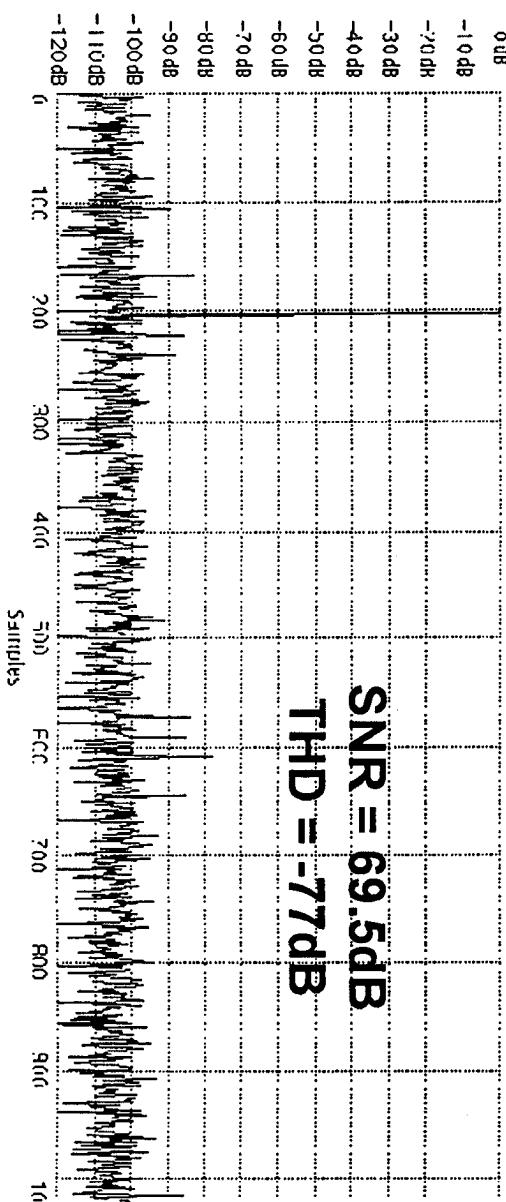
# ADC SNR+THD



V<sub>CC</sub> = +5V  
V<sub>ref</sub> = +5V  
F<sub>in</sub> = 2KHz  
F<sub>s</sub> = 25KHz  
Temp = 25 C



uC halted  
(ADC test mode)

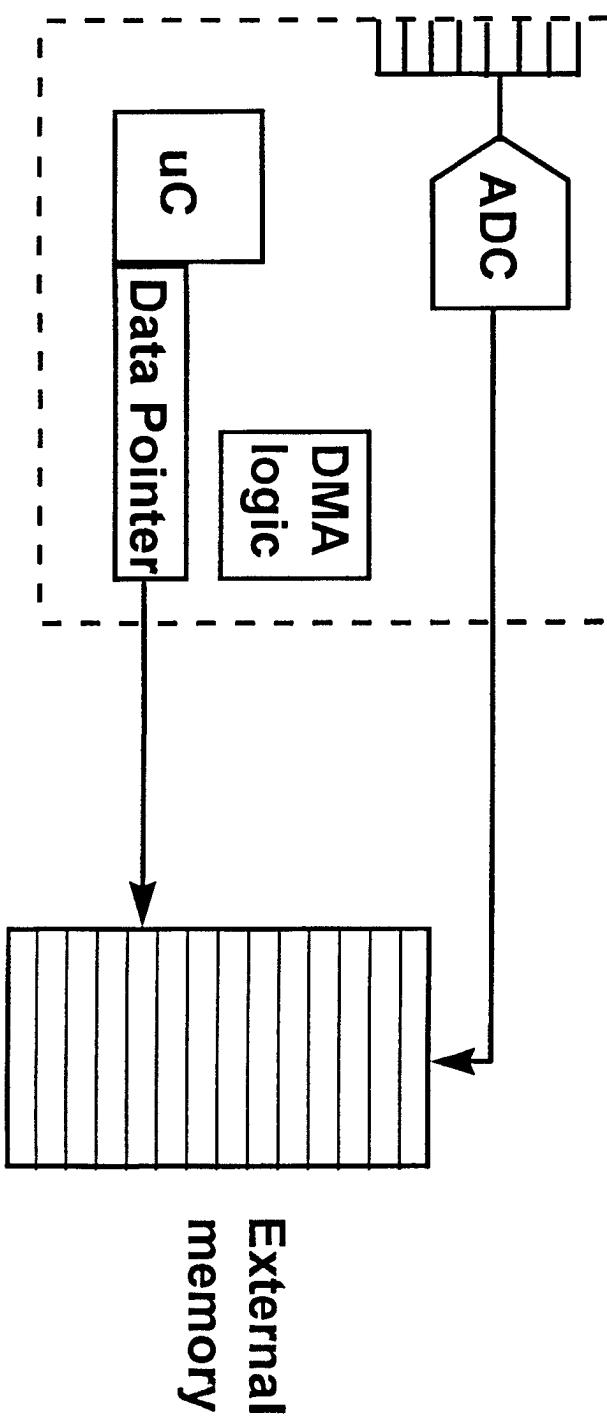


Code executing  
from  
internal EEPROM

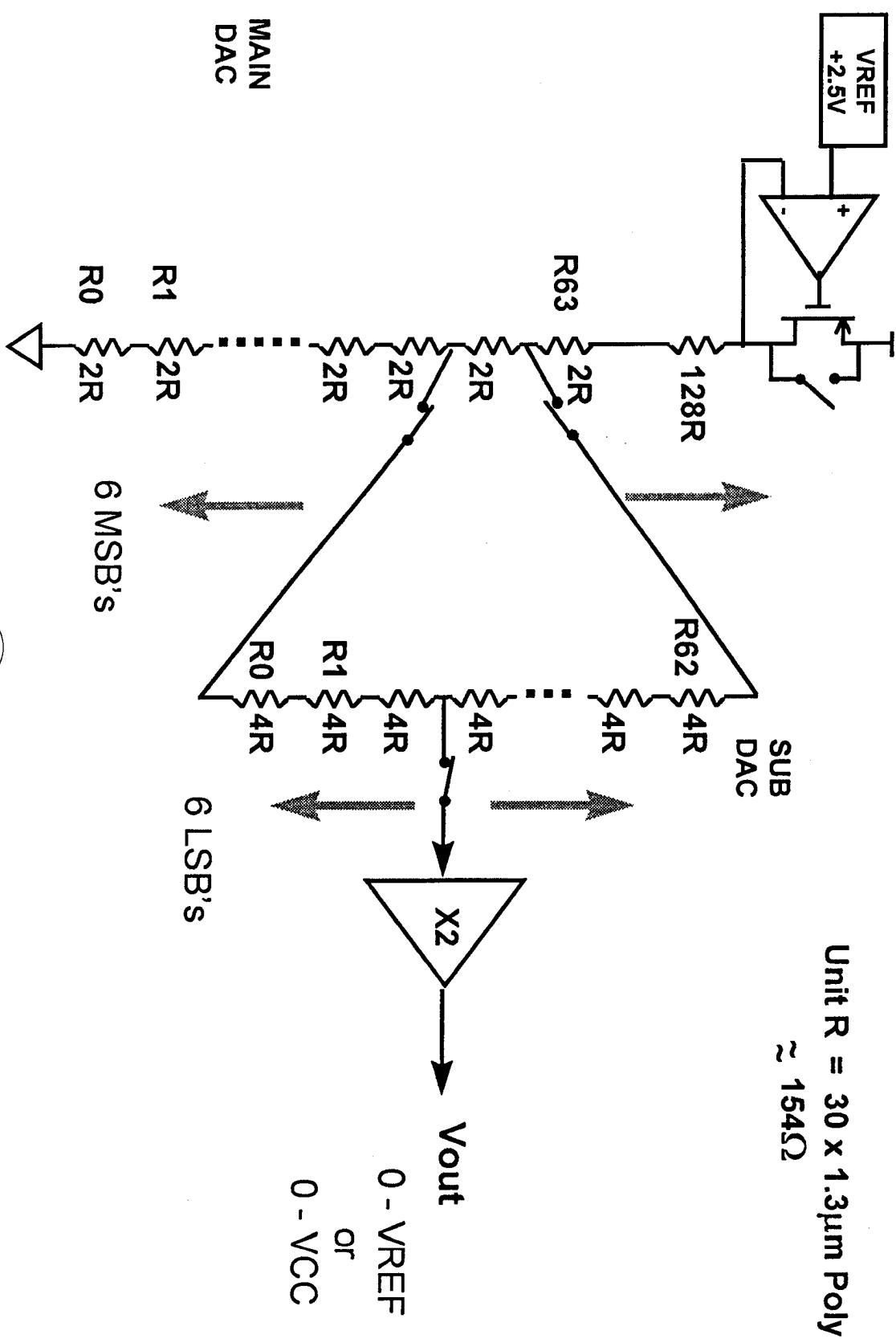


# ADC DMA Mode

- uC takes ~ 1 $\mu$ s per instruction @ Fclk 12MHz ....
- cannot service ADC at max conversion rate of 5 $\mu$ s/conv
- In DMA mode, ADC converts at max 5 $\mu$ s rate and stores results directly in external memory, e.g. for FFT analysis

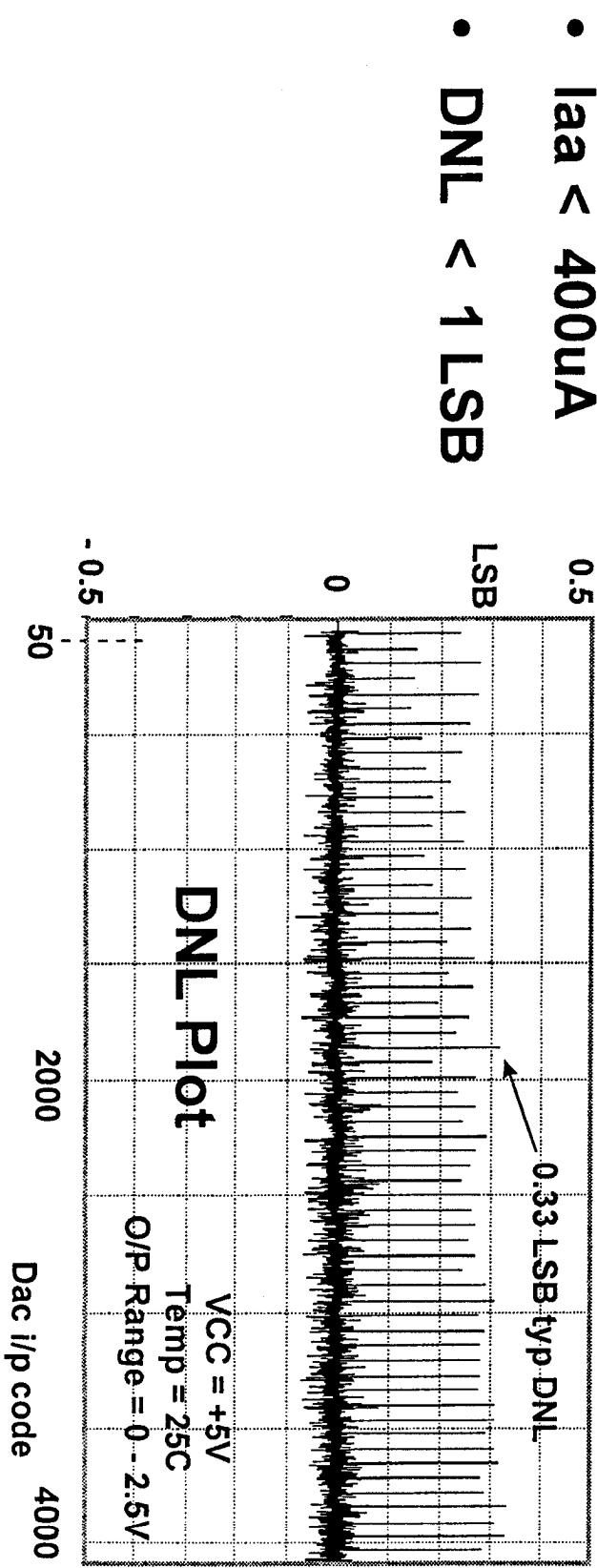


# 12b Digital-to-Analog Converter

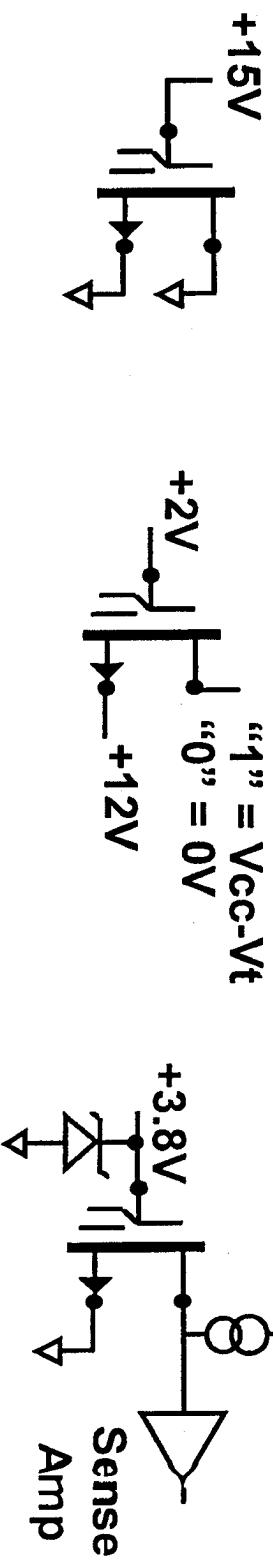


# 12b Digital-to-Analog Converter

- Resistor string multiplying architecture, buffered V<sub>out</sub>
- Two dacs on-chip: no need to use timers for PWM o/p
- $T_{conv} = 10\mu s \text{ min } (R_L > 10K\Omega, C_L < 200\text{pF})$



# Split-Gate Flash EEPROM Cell



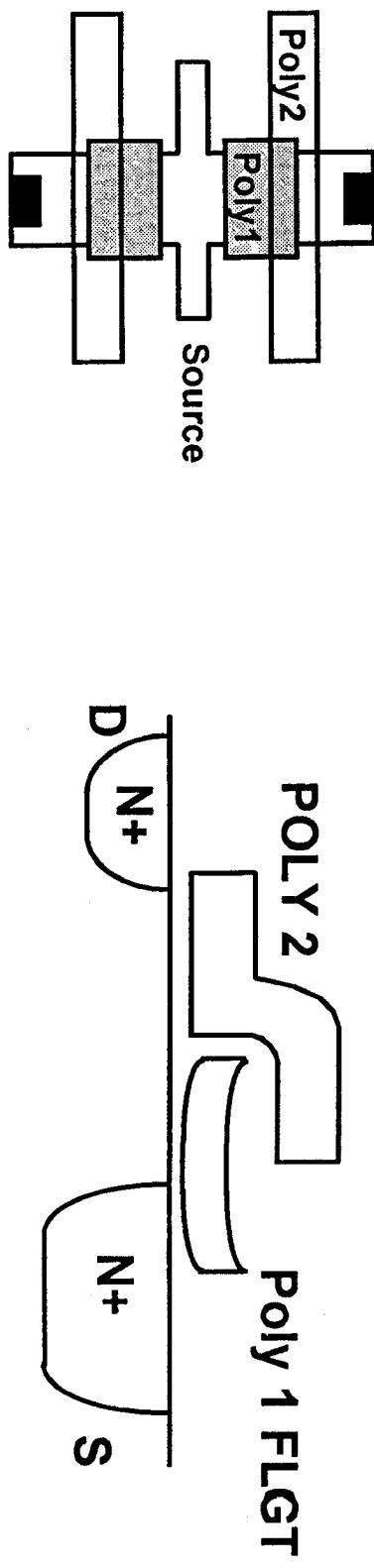
ERASE

Poly-Poly F-N Tunnelling

PROGRAM

CHE Injection

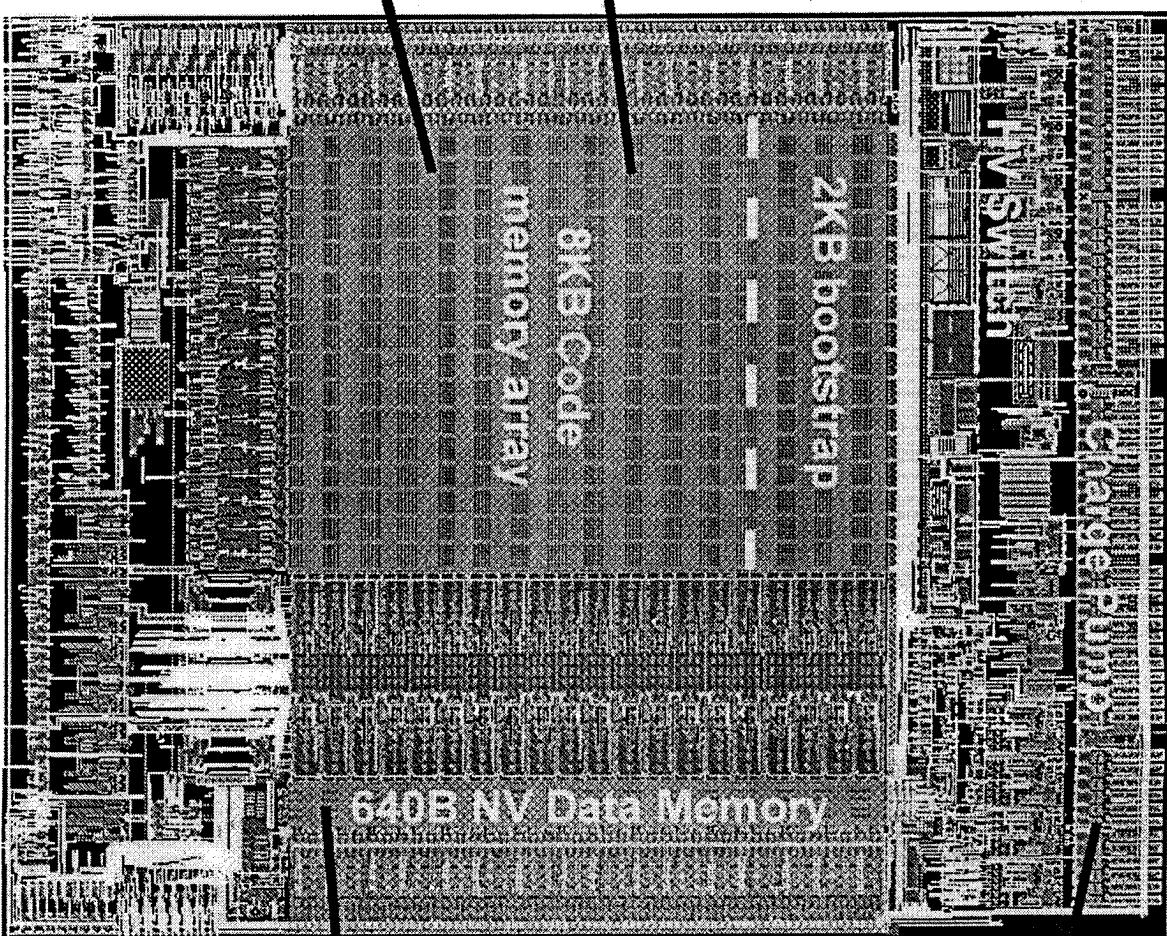
READ



Min Erase Sector is 2 rows

Prog & Erase are both Self-Limiting

# EEPROM Block



Endurance  
= 10K Cycles

2KB bootstrap

On-chip  
charge pump:  
no ext VPP  
required.

Cell Size  
=  $4.7 \mu\text{m}^2$   
( $0.6 \mu\text{m}$  rules)

8KB code  
memory array

640B NV Data Memory

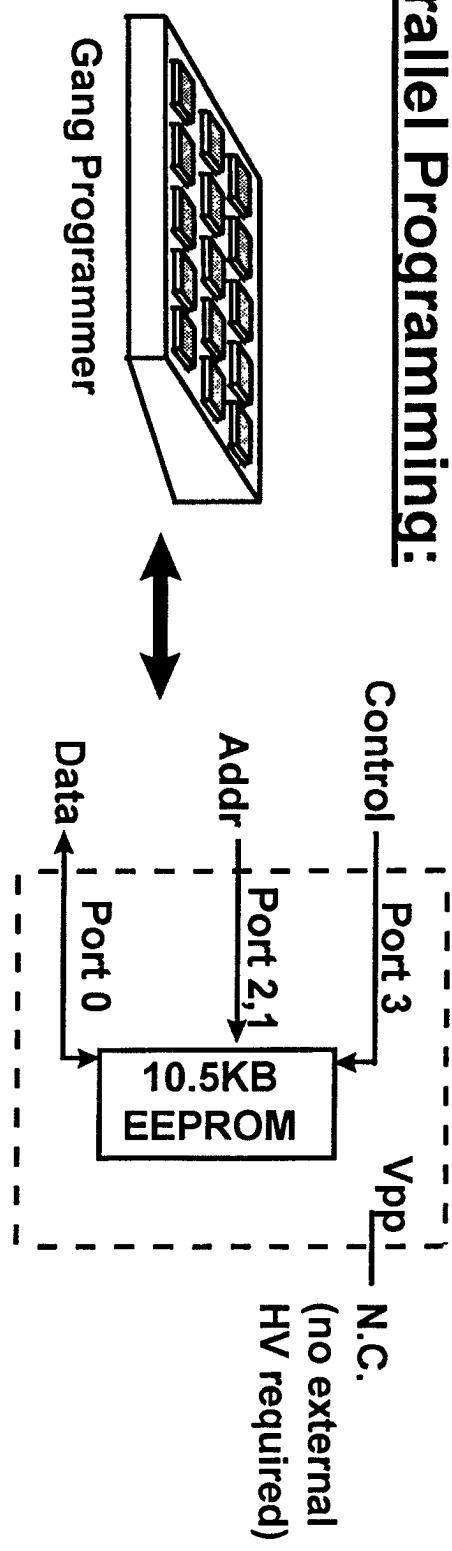
Data Array =  
320 row x 16 col  
Min Erase sector:  
2 rows (4 bytes)

Main Array =  
320 row x 256 col  
Min Erase sector:  
2 rows (64 bytes)

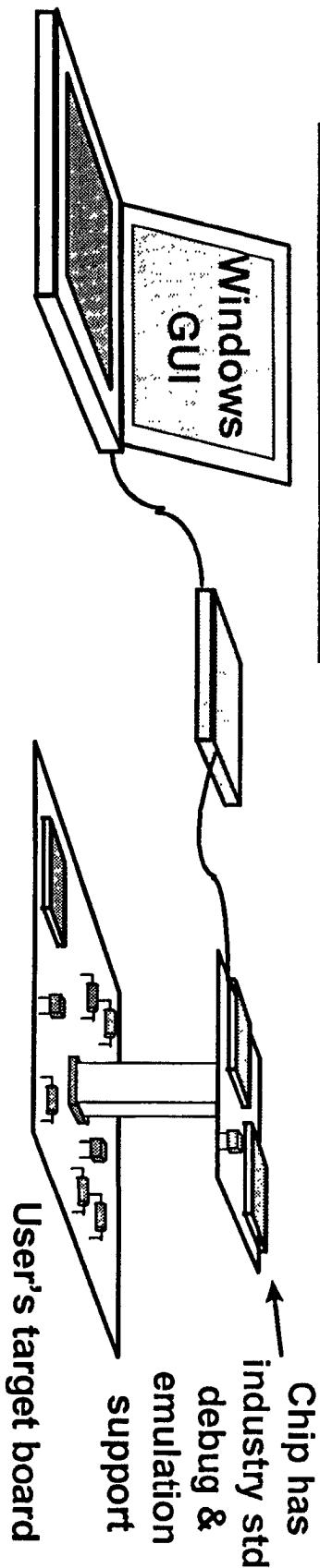
# Software Support - I

- Chip supports industry standard 3rd party tools:

## Parallel Programming:



## Debug & Emulation:

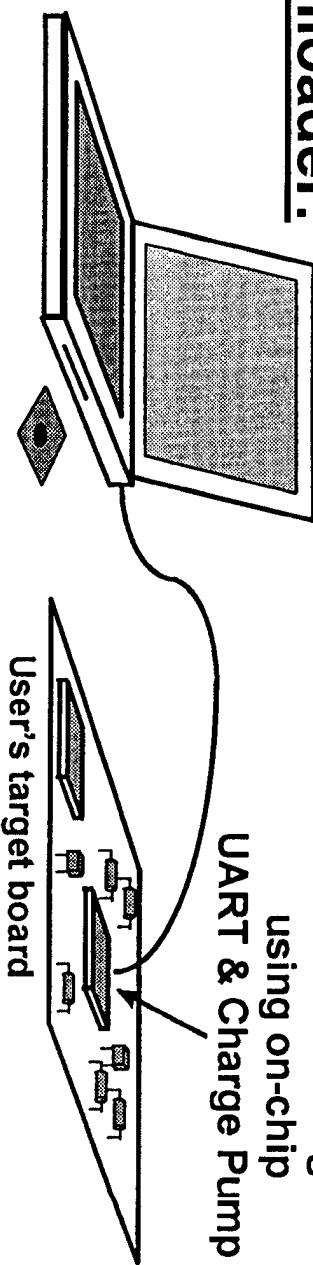


# Software Support II - extra on-chip tools

- Chip has downloader, debugger, emulator **on-chip**:

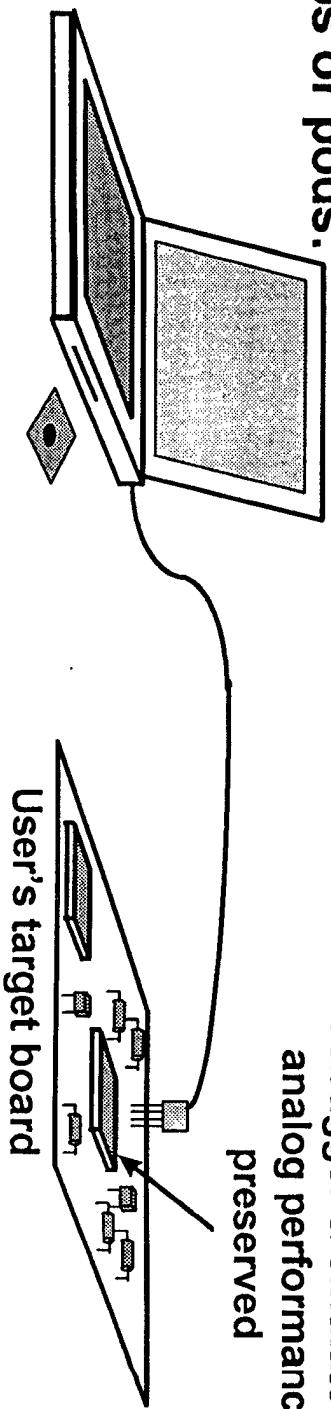
## On-chip Downloader:

Download & Program  
using on-chip  
UART & Charge Pump

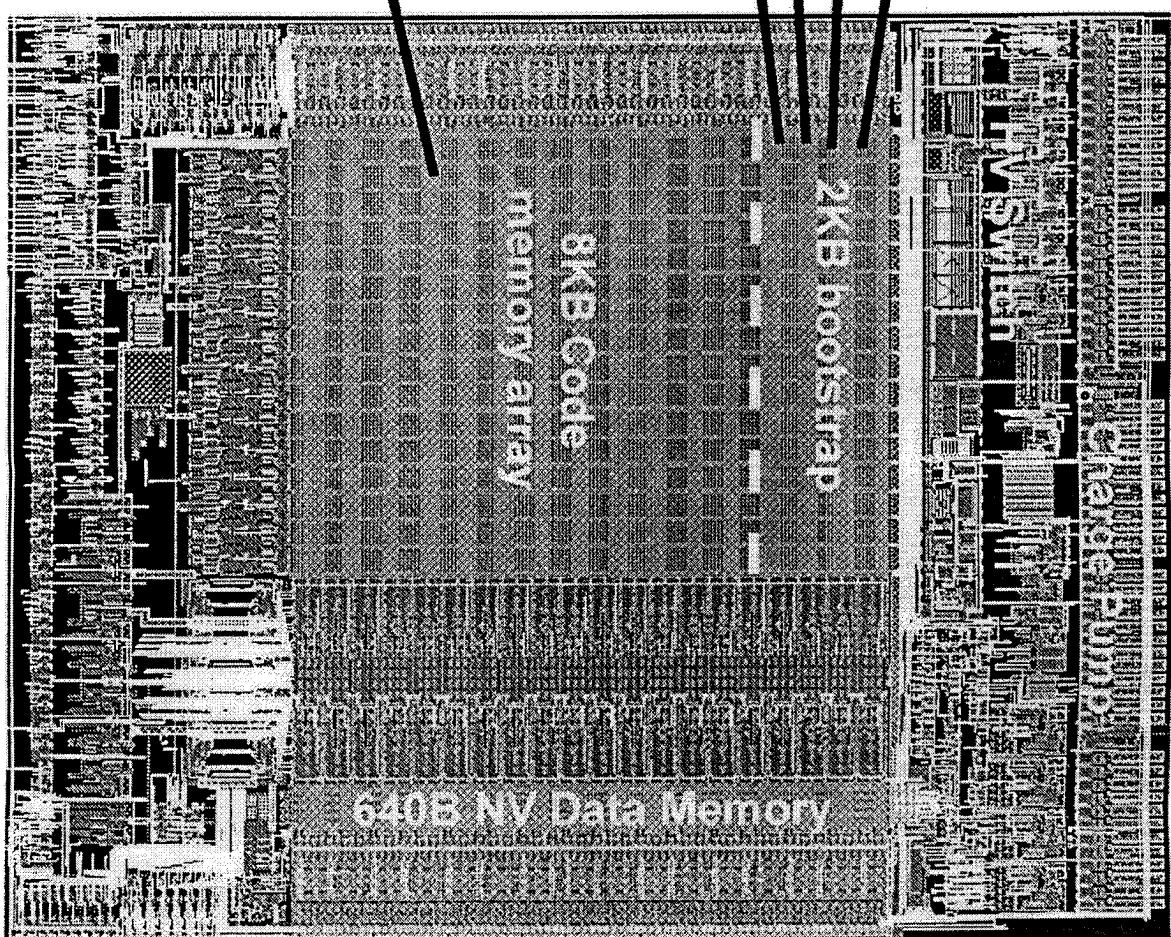


## On-chip in-situ debug/emulation :

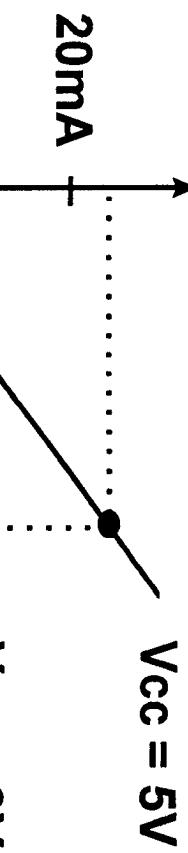
... no clips or pods:  
Chip has on-chip  
debugger & emulator ...  
analog performance  
preserved



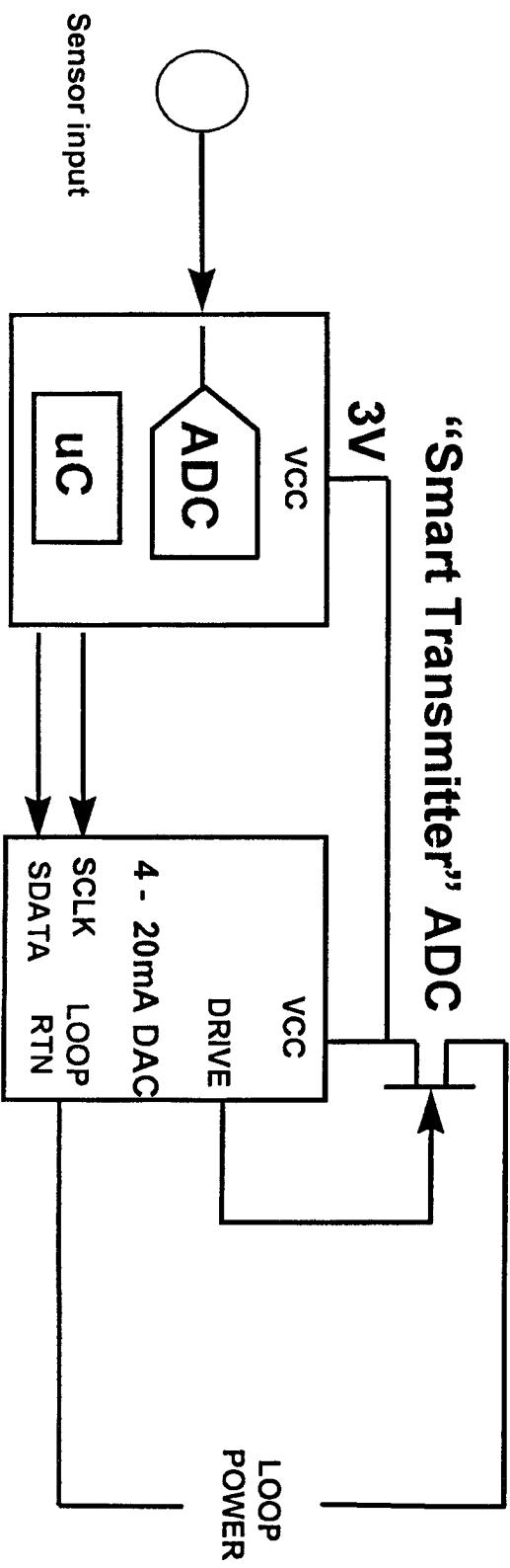
# EEPROM Block



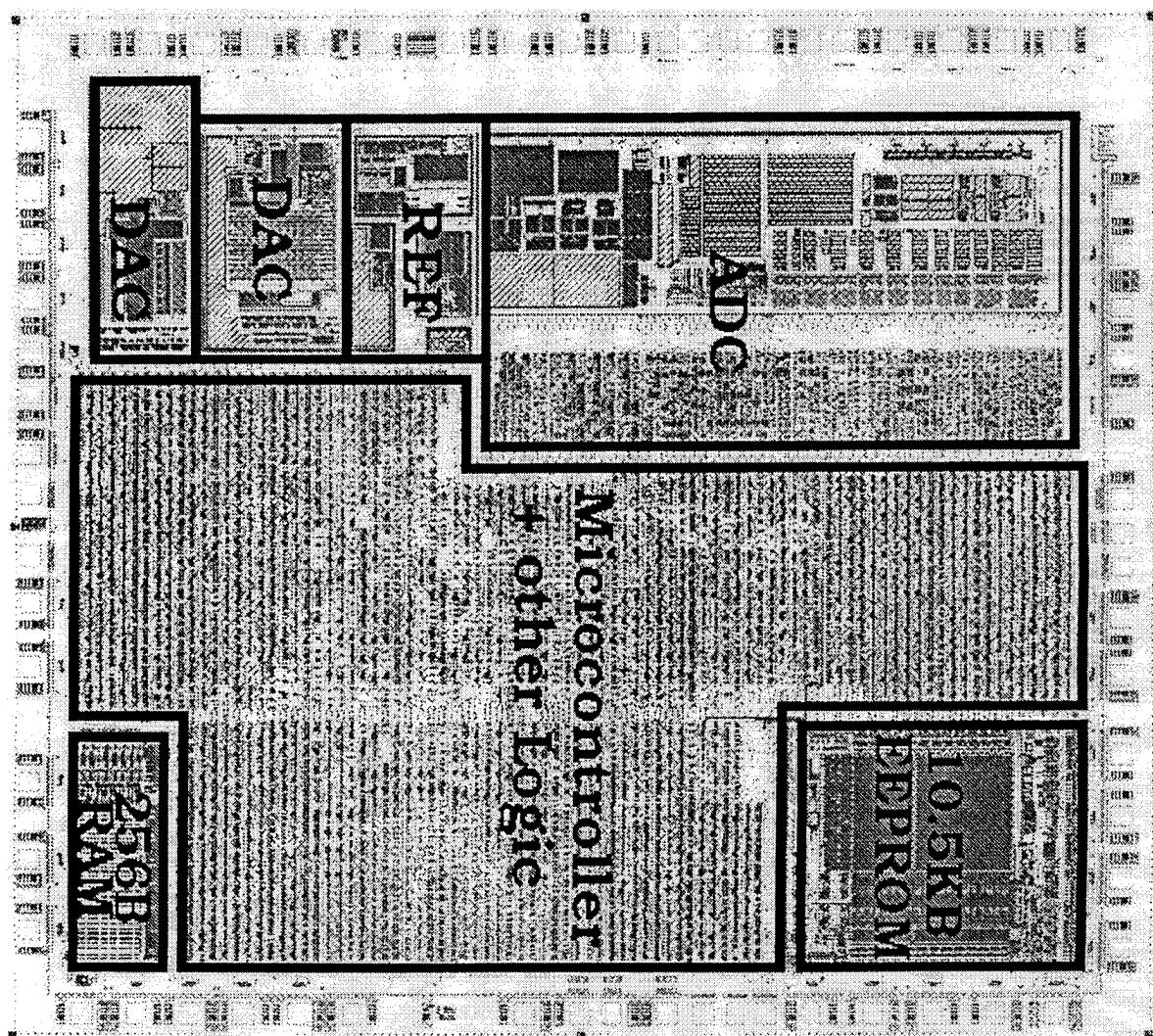
# Power Dissipation



25 C,  
Dacs Off,  
1st silicon



# Die Photo



# Conclusions

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- IEEE 1451 Standard Transducer Interface chip presented - Single chip implementation of 1451 STIM.
- 12b ADC and DACs integrated with uC, Flash EEPROM.
- Metal-Poly caps with calibration and split-gate EEPROM cell simplify process complexity, reducing cost.
- Non-volatile factory or in-situ system calibration - transducer offsets of a few % can be nulled out.
- On-chip down-loader, debugger, emulator .... no external programmer, emulation H/W, clips, or pods; debug & emulation in-situ preserves analog accuracy.

