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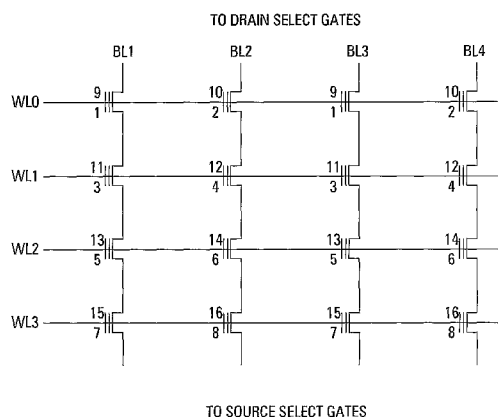
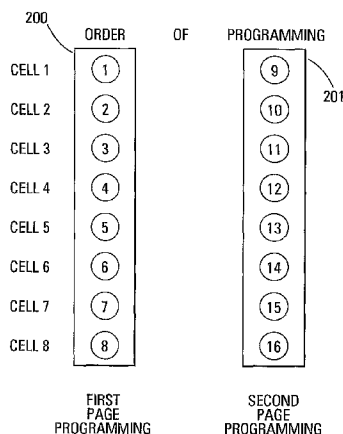
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(57) Abstract: The programming method of the present invention minimizes program disturb in a non-volatile memory device by initially programming a lower page of a memory block. The upper page of the memory block is then programmed.