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(57) Abstract: A data mask map may be programmed into a storage device in various ways. In one embodiment, the data mask is hardwired into a selection device to reorder either the data mask bits or the data chunks. In another embodiment, a data mask map is retrieved from a location in memory. In still another embodiment, the data mask map is determined through an algorithm.