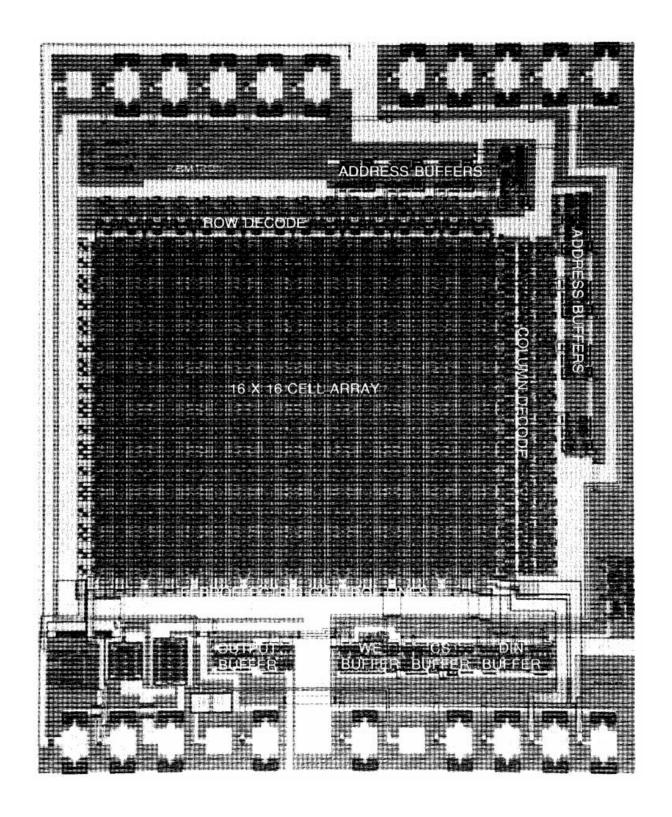
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A Ferroelectric Nonvolatile Memory

EATON ET AL. (Ramtron Corporation) presented the first 256-bit ferroelectric memory using thin film PZT (lead zirconate titante) capacitors. These nonlinear PZT capacitors were used for nonvolatile shadow store and restore of static RAM cells. Using 4 μ m design rules, the 256 bit memory was 4.0 mm x 3.2 mm. This work ushered in the development of many different types of ferroelectric memories that are in use today.