Figures 14 and 15 show an electronic transaction card having a sliding portion;

Figure 16 shows an intelligent electronic device and an electronic transaction card; and

Figures 17 and 18 show block diagrams of electronic transaction cards.

Description of Embodiments

In the following detailed description, reference is made to the accompanying drawings that show, by way of illustration, various embodiments of an invention. These embodiments are described in sufficient detail to enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention. It is to be understood that the various embodiments of the invention, although different, are not necessarily mutually exclusive. For example, a particular feature, structure, or characteristic described in connection with one embodiment may be implemented within other embodiments without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. In addition, it is to be understood that the location or arrangement of individual elements within each disclosed embodiment may be modified without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. The following detailed description is, therefore, not to be taken in a limiting sense, and the scope of the present invention is defined only by the appended claims, appropriately interpreted, along with the full range of equivalents to which the claims are entitled. In the drawings, like numerals refer to the same or similar functionality throughout the several views.

Figure 1 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve and an electronic transaction card. Intelligent electronic device 102 includes connector 112; sleeve 120 includes body portion 124, replicated connector 122, and add-on slot 110; and electronic transaction card 104 includes electrical contacts 108 and stripe 106.

Intelligent electronic device 102 is shown as a mobile phone in Figure 1, but this is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 may be a personal digital assistant (PDA), a smartphone, a mobile

phone, a handheld computer, or any other device capable of operating as described herein.

Intelligent electronic device 102 may include a mechanism to allow intelligent electronic device 102 to communicate with a wired or wireless network. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 may include circuitry to communicate with a cellular phone network. Note that in these embodiments, intelligent electronic device 102 may or may not be a phone. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 may be a cellular telephone with an add-on slot for use with an electronic transaction card. Also for example, intelligent electronic device may be a non-telephonic device that has cellular network connectivity. Examples include personal digital assistants, and handheld devices dedicated to the use of electronic transaction cards. Further, intelligent electronic device 102 may be a non-telephonic device having wired or wireless connectivity to a network other than a cellular network, and in some embodiments, intelligent electronic device 102 may be a device without network connectivity. Examples include, but are not limited to: Blackberry devices available from Research in Motion (RIM), music players such as MP3 players, cameras, and the like.

Intelligent electronic device 102 includes connector 112. Connector 112 may be a data connector that allows intelligent electronic device 102 to communicate with other devices. For example, connector 112 may be a data connector on the base of a cellular phone or PDA that can communicate with a cradle to synchronize the cellular phone or PDA with another data repository such as a computer. Although connector 112 is shown at the base of intelligent electronic device 102, this is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, connector 112 may be on a side, back, top, or any other surface of intelligent electronic device 102.

Sleeve 120 is a sleeve that mechanically and electrically mates with intelligent electronic device 102. In some embodiments, sleeve 120 includes a mating connector (not shown) that electrically mates with connector 112 when intelligent electronic device 102 is coupled to sleeve 120. Sleeve 120 may also

include replicated connector 122. Replicated connector 122 replicates connector 112 to allow intelligent electronic device 102 to communicate with other devices while mated with sleeve 120. In some embodiments, intelligent electronic device 102 and sleeve 120 communicate wirelessly. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 and sleeve 120 may communicate using a personal area network (PAN) such as Bluetooth, a wireless area network (WAN) such as IEEE 802.11, or any other wireless communications protocol. In these embodiments, replicated connector 122 may replicate connector 112 using wireless communications between intelligent electronic device 102 and sleeve 120.

Sleeve 120 has a body portion 124 that includes a contour to mechanically accept intelligent electronic device 102. For simplicity, sleeve 120 is shown having a contour that is relatively flat to accept intelligent electronic device 102, which is also shown as relatively flat. In other embodiments, sleeve 120 has a contour that is not flat. For example, sleeve 120 may have a concave or convex contour to match the shape of a mating intelligent electronic device. Further, in some embodiments, the body of sleeve 120 may have sides that more fully envelope intelligent electronic device 102.

Sleeve 120 includes add-on slot 110. Add-on slot 110 is a slot capable of accepting electronic transaction card 104. For example, add-on slot 110 may have physical dimensions compatible with electronic transaction card 104, and may have a communications interface that operates using a protocol compatible with electronic transaction card 104. In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 104 includes an identification number that provides a relationship to sleeve 120 or intelligent electronic device 102. For example, electronic transaction card 104 may include an ID number that provides a unique pairing relationship or a non-unique pairing relationship between electronic transaction card 104 and intelligent electronic device 102, or between electronic transaction card 104 and sleeve 120, or between electronic transaction card 104 and both sleeve 120 and intelligent electronic device 102.

In some embodiments of the present invention, add-on slot 110 is a memory card slot designed to accept and communicate with memory cards. Add-on slot 110 slot may be a proprietary card slot designed to accept memory cards that adhere to a proprietary communications protocol. Add-on slot 110 may also be compatible with an industry standard communications protocol, or may be compatible with a widely accepted communications protocol that is not necessarily formally documented as an industry standard. Examples include slots that are compatible with the Multimedia Memory Card (MMC) protocol, Memory Stick DUO protocol, secure digital (SD) protocol, and Smart Media protocol. The foregoing list is meant to be exemplary, and not exhaustive. Add-on slot 110 may be compatible with many memory card slot protocols other than those explicitly listed above without departing from the scope of the invention.

In some embodiments of the present invention, add-on slot 110 is compatible with electronic transaction cards that are substantially the same size as a credit card. In these embodiments, an electronic transaction card may have a width and a length, and add-on slot 110 may accept an edge of the card that has a dimension equal to either the width or the length. Further, in some embodiments, add-on slot may be compatible with a folded electronic transaction card, embodiments of which are described further below.

Electronic transaction card 104 includes electrical contacts 108 and stripe 106. Electrical contacts 108 are contacts that provide a communications interface to communicate with add-on slot 110. For example, electrical contacts 108 may provide connectivity compliant with a communications protocol for memory cards. Also for example, electrical contacts 108 may provide connectivity that is not compliant with a communications protocol for memory cards. The electrical contacts may be on the back side of electronic transaction card 104, recessed on an edge of electronic transaction card 104, or on the front side of electronic transaction card 104. In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 104 includes a "contactless" interface to add-on slot 110. For example, electronic transaction card 104 may include an interface to add-on slot 110 that communicates using electric or

magnetic fields, infrared (IR) light, or any other suitable communications mechanism.

Stripe 106 represents an area on an external face of electronic transaction card 104 at which one ore more time-varying magnetic fields emanate. For example, one or more time-varying magnetic fields may emanate from the location of stripe 106 to communicate with a magnetic card reader. In some embodiments, the time-varying magnetic field may emulate the time-varying magnetic field produced when a typical magnetic card is swiped through a magnetic card reader. For example, a time-varying magnetic field produced at stripe 106 may emulate the swipe of a credit card, a debit card, or any other card having a magnetic stripe compatible with a magnetic card reader.

In some embodiments of the present invention, stripe 106 may be a visible stripe on electronic transaction card 104. When stripe 106 is visible, it may be used to indicate the location at which the time-varying magnetic field will emanate. In other embodiments of the present invention, stripe 106 may not be visible. For example, circuitry may be included within electronic transaction card 106 to produce the time-varying magnetic field and no visible indication may be present on an external face of electronic transaction card 104.

Stripes may be compatible with one or more standards. A stripe may be compatible with a standard by being in compliance with the standard or by being partially in compliance with the standard. For example, stripe 106 may be compatible with an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) magnetic stripe standard, or an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) magnetic stripe standard. In addition, in some embodiments, a stripe may emulate more than one magnetic track, and the emulated tracks may or may not be offset from the location specified in a standard. For example, one or more wires may be utilized to generate time-varying magnetic fields compatible with a standard, and the wires may be located at or near stripe 106 in a location different than the magnetic track offset described in an associated standard.

In operation, intelligent electronic device 102 may communicate with electronic transaction card 104 through sleeve 120, and also may program electronic transaction card 104 for use in a transaction involving stripe 106. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 may program electronic transaction card 104 to operate as a credit card, a debit card, or the like. Electronic transaction card 104 may then be used with a magnetic stripe or smartcard based merchant point-of-sale terminal to effect a transaction. Also for example, intelligent electronic device 102 may program electronic transaction card 104 to operate in any other environment where stripe 106 may be beneficially utilized with a magnetic card reader. In some embodiments, communications over a network may play a role in the transaction. For example, intelligent electronic device 102 may receive authorization for the transaction over a network. Also for example, intelligent electronic device 102 may program electronic transaction card 104 to perform a transaction, and then report the transaction to an entity using the network.

Electronic transaction card 104 may be utilized in financial transactions. For example, electronic transaction card 104 may be programmed to operate as a credit card or a stored value card. In these embodiments, electronic transaction card 104 may be programmed to emit one or more time-varying magnetic fields to emulate the swiping of a credit card or stored value card. In some of these embodiments, electronic transaction card 104 may use one number repeatedly, or may use a different number for each transaction. For example, electronic transaction card 104 may be programmed to have one number, similar to how a credit card uses the same number repeatedly. Also for example, electronic transaction card 104 may be programmed to use a different number for each transaction. These numbers are referred to herein as "single transaction account numbers" or "STANs."

Single transaction account numbers may be generated by the card issuer or locally by either an intelligent electronic device or an electronic transaction card. Generation of STANs may be accomplished in any of several ways. For example, when an electronic transaction card is issued, the cardholder may receive several pre-assigned single-use transaction numbers. The numbers may also have a pre-

specified sequence. In some embodiments, this sequence may be known only to the issuing bank and the cardholder's intelligent electronic device and/or electronic transaction card. A card issuing bank may authorize payments based on the expected sequence of account numbers, and if out-of-sequence account numbers are used, then the issuing bank may consider that transaction as a potentially fraudulent transaction. The issuing bank may also use this feature to track the merchant involved in the potentially fraudulent transaction.

According to another example, a pre-assigned sequence of STANs may be reset to the original starting number on the list depending on user input or other triggers. In addition, the list of numbers may be periodically downloaded via a cellular phone network or other network connectivity.

Figure 2 shows an exploded view of an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve, and an electronic transaction card. Intelligent electronic device 202 is similar to intelligent electronic device 102 (Figure 1), with the exception of connector 212. Further, sleeve 220 is similar to sleeve 120 (Figure 1), with the exception of mating connector 222.

Intelligent electronic device 202 includes connector 212 which is in the form of an add-on slot that receives mating connector 222 of sleeve 220. In some embodiments, connector 212 is a memory card slot as described above with reference to add-on slot 110 (Figure 1). In other embodiments, connector 212 is a slot other than a memory card slot.

Mating connector 222 of sleeve 220 includes contacts 224 to communicate with intelligent electronic device 202. In some embodiments, connector 222 is compatible with a memory card interface, and is received by a memory card compatible add-on slot shown as connector 212.

Add-on slot 210 may or may not be a replicated connector. For example, in embodiments where both connector 212 and add-on slot 210 are memory card slots, add-on slot 210 may replicate connector 212. In these embodiments, sleeve 220 may provide general memory card connectivity for intelligent electronic device 202. Further, in some embodiments, sleeve 220 includes multiple replicated connectors.

For example, add-on slot 210 may be one of two or more add-on slots that provide connectivity for an electronic transaction card as well as other peripheral devices.

Electronic transaction card 204 includes electrical contacts 208 and 206. Electrical contacts 208 are similar to electrical contacts 108 (Figure 1). For example, electrical contacts 208 are compatible with add-on slot 210 of sleeve 220. Electrical contacts 206 are arranged to provide the communications interface to a smartcard reader.

In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 204 includes a smartcard interface as well as a stripe to produce one or more time-varying magnetic fields. For example, the backside of electronic transaction card 204 may include a stripe. Any of the various electronic transaction cards described herein may include a stripe, a smartcard interface, or a combination thereof.

Figure 3 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve and an electronic transaction card. Intelligent electronic device 102 is described above with reference to Figure 1. As shown in Figure 3, intelligent electronic device 102 communicates with sleeve 320 over a wireless link 310. Wireless link 310 may be any type of wireless link, including a personal area network (PAN) such as Bluetooth. Sleeve 320 is shown having electronic transaction card 104 inserted into an add-on slot. Sleeve 320 may also have a replicated connector (not shown).

Figure 4 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve and an electronic transaction card. As in the embodiments represented by Figure 1, intelligent electronic device 102 mates to sleeve 420 using connector 112. Sleeve 420 communicates with electronic transaction card 404 using wireless link 410. Wireless link 410 may be any type of wireless link, including a personal area network (PAN) such as Bluetooth. In embodiments represented by Figure 4, sleeve 420 and electronic transaction card 404 both include wireless interfaces.

Figure 5 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve, and an electronic transaction card. Intelligent electronic device 502 may be any intelligent electronic device described herein. For example, intelligent electronic device 502 may include a connector or a wireless interface to communicate with sleeve 520. Sleeve 520

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may be any sleeve described herein. For example, sleeve 520 may include a mating connector or a wireless interface to communicate with intelligent electronic device 502. Further, sleeve 520 may include a replicated connector. The replicated connector may be connector 522 or may be add-on slot 510 into which electronic transaction card 504 is shown inserted.

Electronic transaction card 504 is shown protruding from sleeve 520, but this is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, in some embodiments, electronic transaction card 504 is flush with sleeve 520 when inserted. Further, in some embodiments, electronic transaction card 504 is recessed within sleeve 520 when inserted.

Figure 6 shows an electronic transaction card and a card reader. Electronic transaction card 610 is a card having a stripe compatible with a magnetic card reader. For example, electronic transaction card 610 may be electronic transaction card 104 (Figure 1), electronic transaction card 204 (Figure 2), electronic transaction card 404 (Figure 4), electronic transaction card 504 (Figure 5), or any other electronic transaction card described herein. Magnetic card reader 620 is a card reader compatible with magnetic cards. For example, magnetic card reader 620 may operate as part of a merchant point-of-sale terminal, an access control device, or the like. When a magnetic card is swiped through magnetic card reader 620, one or more time-varying magnetic fields are produced relative to the location of a magnetic read head (not shown) in magnetic card reader 620.

In the operation depicted in Figure 6, electronic transaction card 610 is swiped through magnetic card reader 620. During the swiping operation, electronic transaction card 610 produces one or more time-varying magnetic fields to emulate the swiping of a magnetic card. For example, a swipe sensor within electronic transaction card 610 may detect the swiping action depicted in Figure 6, and a magnetic field producing circuit may generate one or more time-varying magnetic fields as electronic transaction card 610 passes by a magnetic read head in magnetic card reader 620.

Figure 7 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve an electronic transaction card, and a magnetic card reader. Electronic transaction card 710 is shown being swiped through magnetic card reader 730 while attached to sleeve 720. Further, intelligent electronic device 702 is shown mated with sleeve 720. The operation depicted in Figure 7 represents a transaction occurring while electronic transaction card 710 is coupled to an add-on slot of sleeve 720.

Figure 8 show a sleeve for use with an electronic transaction card. Sleeve 800 includes a body with contour 850 to receive an intelligent electronic device. Sleeve 800 also includes mating connector 820 to communicate with an intelligent electronic device, and an add-on slot 810 to receive an electronic transaction card. Sleeve 800 also includes battery 830 and charger port 840.

In operation, an intelligent electronic device may be mechanically mated with contour 850, and may be electrically mated with mating connector 820. Add-on slot 810 provides communications with an electronic transaction card, and may also be a replicated connector as described above. Battery 830 provides power to electronics within sleeve 800, and charger port 840 is compatible with a charger to allow sleeve 800 to be "plugged in" to charge battery 830.

The particular mechanical configuration of sleeve 800 is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, battery 830 may be located differently or may be a different shape. Further, mating connector 820 may be located differently or may be a different shape.

Figure 9 shows a block diagram of a sleeve. Sleeve 900 includes mating connector 910, intelligent electronic device (IED) interface 920, replicated connector 930, data routing circuitry 940, electronic transaction card interface 950, add-on slot 960, and power source 970. Sleeve 800 may include more than shown in Figure 9, and nothing in Figure 9 is to be considered essential to a sleeve as described herein.

Mating connector 910 provides an electrical connection to a connector on an intelligent electronic device. For example, mating connector 910 may be a connector to mate with connector 112 (Figure 1), connector 212 (Figure 2), 820

(Figure 8), or any other intelligent electronic device connector. Replicated connector 930 provides a connector on sleeve 900 to replicate the connector on the intelligent electronic device that mates with mating connector 910. IED interface 920 provides a compatible interface protocol for sleeve 900 to communicate through mating connector 910 and replicated connector 930.

Add-on slot 960 is a slot compatible with an electronic transaction card. For example, add-on slot 960 may be a slot such as add-on slot 110 (Figure 1), add-on slot 210 (Figure 2), add-on slot 510 (Figure 5), or add-on slot 810 (Figure 8). Electronic transaction card interface 950 a compatible interface protocol for sleeve 900 to communicate through add-on slot 960.

Data routing circuitry 940 provides a communication path between IED interface 920 and electronic transaction card interface 950. In some embodiments, data routing circuitry 940 includes digital circuitry such as latches, buffers, multiplexers, and the like. Also in some embodiments, data routing circuitry 940 may include sequential circuitry such as state machines. Further, data routing circuitry 940 may include a processor such as a microprocessor, microcontroller, digital signal processor (DSP), or the like. Data routing circuitry 940 may be implemented as a separate block as shown in Figure 9, or may be distributed between other blocks shown in Figure 9. For example, data routing circuitry 940 may be distributed between IED interface 920 and electronic transaction card interface 950.

Power source 970 provides power for the circuit blocks shown in Figure 9. in some embodiments, power source 970 includes a battery, such as battery 830 (Figure 8). Also in some embodiments, power source 970 includes a charger port to couple an external charger to a battery, and in still further embodiments, power source 970 is omitted. In some embodiments, power for the various blocks shown in Figure 9 is provided by an intelligent electronic device through mating connector 910.

Figure 10 shows a block diagram of a sleeve. Sleeve 1000 includes IED interface 920, replicated connector 930, data routing circuitry 940, electronic

transaction card interface 950, add-on slot 960, and power source 970, which are described above with reference to Figure 9. Sleeve 1000 also includes antenna 1020, and wireless interface 1010. Wireless interface 1010 is coupled to IED interface 920 to provide communication between sleeve 1000 and an intelligent electronic device. Accordingly, sleeve 1000 may be a sleeve with wireless capabilities, such as sleeve 320 (Figure 3). Antenna 1020 may be any type of element capable of radiating energy and/or capturing energy.

Figure 11 shows a block diagram of a sleeve. Sleeve 1100 includes mating connector 910, IED interface 920, replicated connector 930, data routing circuitry 940, electronic transaction card interface 950, and power source 970, which are described above with reference to Figure 9. Sleeve 1100 also includes antenna 1120, and wireless interface 1110. Wireless interface 1110 is coupled to electronic transaction card interface 960 to provide communication between sleeve 1100 and an electronic transaction card. Accordingly, sleeve 1100 may be a sleeve with wireless capabilities, such as sleeve 420 (Figure 4). Antenna 1120 may be any type of element capable of radiating energy.

Figures 12 and 13 show a folding electronic transaction card. Figure 12 shows electronic transaction card 1200 partially folded. Electronic transaction card 1200 may completely unfold to become flat. In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 120 unfolds to become the size of a standard credit card. Electronic transaction card 1200 may have electrical contacts or a wireless interface to communicate with a sleeve or an intelligent electronic device. Figure 13 shows electronic transaction card 1200 folded. In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 1200 fits into an add-on slot of a sleeve when folded, and may be used either folded or unfolded in a transaction.

Figures 14 and 15 show an electronic transaction card having a sliding portion. Figure 15 shows electronic transaction card 1400 with sliding portion 1410 "slid out," and Figure 14 shows sliding portion 1410 "slid in." Electronic transaction card 1400 provides a variable form factor that allows the card to be

smaller when used in an existing add-on slot, and larger for ease of use in a transaction.

Figures 12-15 show two different variable form factors for electronic transaction cards, but the invention is not so limited. For example, an electronic transaction card may have a pivot point, and a "larger" card may be created by rotating a portion of a card relative to another portion. Various embodiments of the present invention contemplate any variable form factor that allows a card to be a reduced size to be accepted by a slot, and an increased size for use in a transaction. Further, any variable form factor electronic transaction card may include a stripe, a smartcard interface, or both, on any portion of the card, and in any orientation without departing from the scope of the present invention.

Figure 16 shows an intelligent electronic device and an electronic transaction card. Intelligent electronic device 102 is described above with reference to previous figures. Electronic transaction card 1604 includes stripe 1606 and mating connector 1608. In operation, mating connector 1608 mates with connector 112 on intelligent electronic device 102. Electronic transaction card may then be removed from intelligent electronic device 102 and used in a magnetic card reader as shown in Figure 6. In some embodiments, electronic transaction card 1604 includes a smartcard interface in lieu of, or in addition to, stripe 1606. Electronic transaction card 1604 may or may not have a hole for a key ring as shown in Figure 16.

Although electronic transaction card 1604 is shown with mating connector 1608, this is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, electronic transaction card 1604 may include a contactless interface, such as a wireless interface, to communicate with intelligent electronic device 102.

Figure 17 shows a block diagram of an electronic transaction card. Electronic transaction card 1700 is an electronic transaction card capable of communicating with a sleeve, and capable of communicating with a magnetic card reader. For example, electronic transaction card 1700 may be any of the electronic transaction card embodiments described herein that includes a stripe.

Electronic transaction card 1700 includes intelligent electronic device (IED) interface 1704, nonvolatile memory 1706, processing device 1708, volatile memory 1710, magnetic field producing circuits 1712, swipe sensor 1714, and stripe 1720. IED interface 1704 is coupled to provide a communications interface between electronic transaction card 1700 and a sleeve or an intelligent electronic device. For example, IED interface 304 may be an interface compatible with an add-on slot, or may be a wireless interface that allows electronic transaction card 1700 to communicate wirelessly.

Magnetic field producing circuit 1712 includes one or more circuits to produce time-varying magnetic fields at or near the location of stripe 1720. For example, one or more current carrying conductors may be excited to produce a magnetic field, and the current may be varied in amplitude and reversed in polarity to cause the magnetic field to be time-varying. In some embodiments, the number of magnetic field producing circuits corresponds to the number of tracks being emulated for stripe 1720. For example, stripe 1720 may emulate two, three, four, or more magnetic tracks on a magnetic card such as a credit card. In these embodiments, electronic transaction card 1700 may include two, three, four, or more magnetic field producing circuits 1712. Magnetic field producing circuits 1712 may also include circuits to allow control of the time-varying magnetic field. For example, magnetic field producing circuits 1712 may include voltage drivers, current drivers, registers to hold digital data, sequential circuits to translate the digital data to magnetic fields, and the like.

Swipe sensor 1714 senses when electronic transaction card 1700 has been swiped in a magnetic card reader, and provides a swipe indication to processing device 1708. The swipe sensor may be a mechanical switch, an electronic switch, or any other type of suitable switch. For example, a mechanical switch may get pressed when electronic transaction card 1700 is swiped. Also for example, an electrical sensor may include two or more contacts (not shown) that get shorted when swiped past a metal head within a card reader. Further, a Hall effect sensor or

light-based sensor may be utilized. The present invention is not limited by the type of swipe sensor utilized. In some embodiments, swipe sensor 1714 is omitted.

Processing device 1708 represents a processor capable of communicating with the other blocks shown in electronic transaction card 1700. For example, processing device 1708 may be a microprocessor, a digital signal processor (DSP), a microcontroller, or the like. Further, processing device 1708 may be formed from state machines or other sequential logic. In operation, processing device 1708 may read instructions from volatile memory 1710 and/or nonvolatile memory 1706 and perform actions in response thereto. For example, processing device 1708 may execute program instructions that influence communications between electronic transaction card 1700 and an intelligent electronic device, or between electronic transaction card 1700 and a magnetic card reader.

Volatile memory 1710 represents memory that may lose its state when power is removed from electronic transaction card 1700. For example, volatile memory 1710 may be static random access memory (SRAM). Volatile memory 1708 may be utilized by processing device 1708 when executing programs. For example, a program may be copied into volatile memory 1708 prior to execution. Also for example, processing device 1708 may use volatile memory 1708 to store data during the execution of a program.

Nonvolatile memory 1706 represents memory that does not lose its state when power is removed from electronic transaction card 1700. Nonvolatile memory 1706 may be any suitable type of memory such as Flash memory with floating gate transistor memory cells. Examples include NOR Flash memory, NAND Flash memory, and multibit/cell Flash memory.

Nonvolatile memory 1706 may hold program instructions that are executable by processing device 1708. For example, prior to being sold, a manufacturer or distributor may program nonvolatile memory 1706 with program information to influence the operation of electronic transaction card 1700. Also for example, an intelligent electronic device or sleeve may provide program information to electronic transaction card 1700 through IED interface 1704.

Nonvolatile memory 1706 may also hold program instructions that are executable by a processing device other than processing device 1708. For example, a manufacturer, distributor, reseller, or other participant in the chain of commerce may program nonvolatile memory 1706 with program information to be transferred to an intelligent electronic device. Information to be transferred may include device drivers, application software, or the like.

Electronic transaction card 1700 may include one or more power sources (not shown). For example, electronic transaction card 1700 may include a battery or a capacitor such as a supercapacitor. In some embodiments, a rechargeable battery may be included. The rechargeable battery may accept a charge from an add-on slot in an intelligent electronic device. In some embodiments, a capacitor may accept a charge from an intelligent electronic device. The capacitor may provide power to electronic transaction card 1700 for enough time to perform a transaction. Further, the capacitor may be sized to ensure that a transaction may only be performed during a limited time period after removing the electronic transaction card from an add-on slot, thereby ensuring that a stolen card may not be used repeatedly without the cardholder's consent. Also in some embodiments, electronic transaction card 1700 may be programmed to go dormant if a transaction is not performed within a limited time period after removing the card from an intelligent electronic device.

Electronic transaction card 1700 may include one or more integrated circuits. For example, processing device 1708 may be on one integrated circuit die, and the memories may be on another integrated circuit die. In some embodiments, all active devices are included on a single integrated circuit die. In some embodiments, various integrated circuit dice are mounted on a common substrate to provide a high level of integration using separate dice. Any amount of circuit integration may be practiced without departing from the scope of the present invention.

Figure 18 shows a block diagram of an electronic transaction card. Electronic transaction card 1800 includes IED interface 1704, nonvolatile memory 1706, processing device 1708, volatile memory 1710, and smartcard interface 1810.

Electronic transaction card 1800 is similar to electronic transaction card 1700 (Figure 17), with the exception of smartcard interface 1810. Smartcard interface 1810 allows electronic transaction card 1800 to be used in transactions with a smartcard reader.

Electronic transaction cards 1700 and 1800 may have any of the physical forms described herein. For example, either card may be compatible with a memory card, a credit card, a folding card, or any combination.

Although the present invention has been described in conjunction with certain embodiments, it is to be understood that modifications and variations may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as those skilled in the art readily understand. Such modifications and variations are considered to be within the scope of the invention and the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. An apparatus comprising:
a body portion having a contour to receive an intelligent electronic device;
a first interface to provide communication with the intelligent electronic device; and
a second interface to provide communication with an electronic transaction card.

2. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first interface comprises a circuit to communicate with an add-on slot in the intelligent electronic device.

3. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the add-on slot comprises a memory card slot.

4. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first interface comprises a wireless interface.

5. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first interface includes contacts to communicate with a data connector on the intelligent electronic device.

6. The apparatus of claim 5 further comprising a replicated data connector to replicate the data connector on the intelligent electronic device.

7. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the contour is shaped to receive a cellular phone as the intelligent electronic device.

8. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the contour is shaped to receive a personal digital assistant as the intelligent electronic device.

9. A sleeve to provide communications between a handheld intelligent electronic device and an electronic transaction card, the sleeve comprising:
an add-on slot to receive the electronic transaction card; and
an interface to communicate with the handheld intelligent electronic device.

10. The sleeve of claim 9 wherein the interface comprises a mating connector to couple to a connector on the handheld intelligent electronic device.

11. The sleeve of claim 10 wherein the sleeve further includes a replicated connector to replicate the connector on the handheld intelligent electronic device.

12. The sleeve of claim 9 wherein the add-on slot comprises a memory card slot.

13. The sleeve of claim 9 wherein the interface comprises a wireless interface.

14. The sleeve of claim 9 further comprising a battery.

15. An apparatus comprising:
means for communicating with an intelligent electronic device;
means for receiving an electronic transaction card; and
means for communicating with the electronic transaction card.

16. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein the means for receiving an electronic transaction card comprises an add-on slot.

17. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein the means for communicating with the electronic transaction card comprises a memory card compatible interface.

18. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein means for communicating with an intelligent electronic device comprises a mating connector to mate with a connector on the intelligent electronic device.

19. The apparatus of claim 18 further comprising a replicated connector to replicate the connector on the intelligent electronic device.

20. A transaction system comprising:

a cellular phone receiving portion having a shape compatible with a cellular phone and having an interface to communicate with the cellular phone; and

a stripe to communicate with a magnetic card reader.

21. The transaction system of claim 20 wherein the transaction system includes an electronic transaction card upon which the stripe is located.

22. The transaction system of claim 21 wherein the transaction system includes a sleeve upon which the cellular phone receiving portion is located.

23. The transaction system of claim 22 wherein the sleeve includes an add-on slot to receive the electronic transaction card.

24. The transaction system of claim 20 wherein the electronic transaction card includes a foldable portion to reduce the size of the electronic transaction card when folded.

25. The transaction system of claim 20 further comprising circuitry to produce a time-varying magnetic field in a vicinity of the stripe.

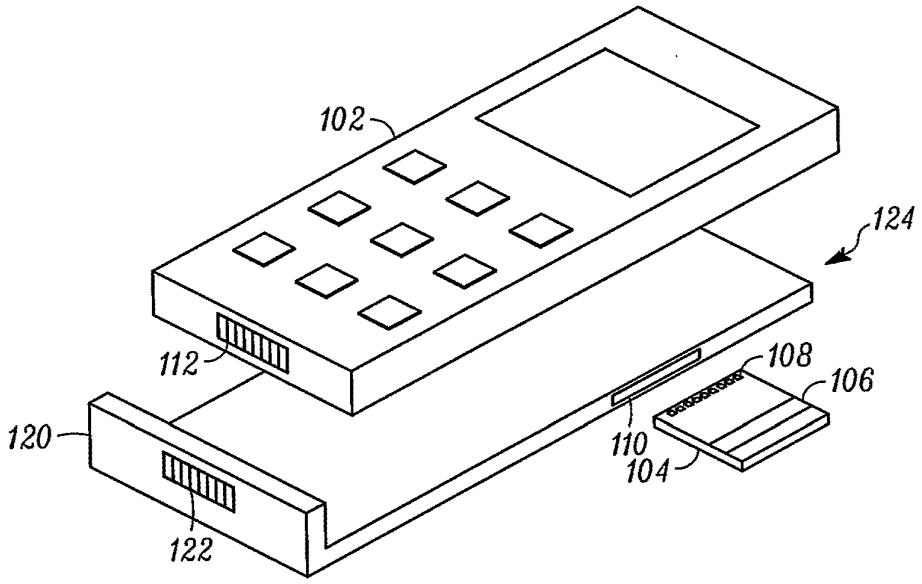


FIG. 1

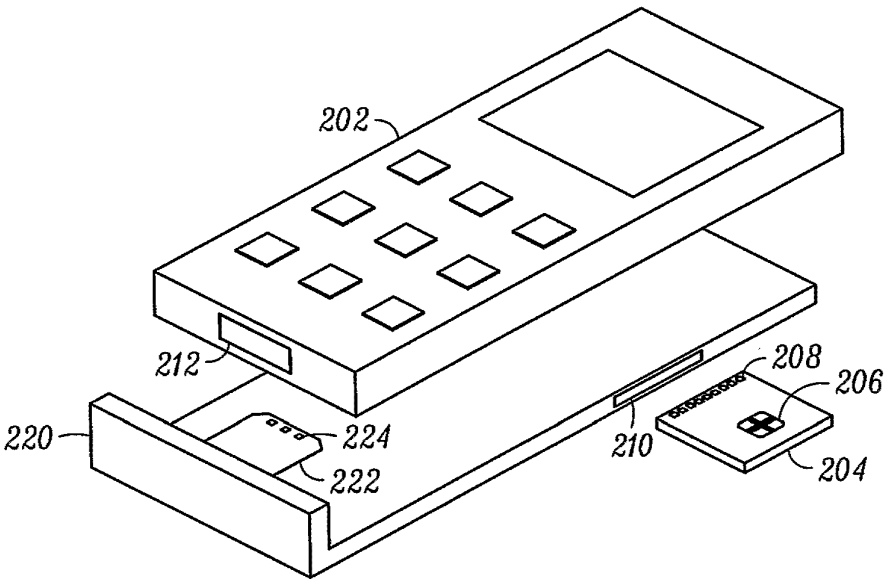


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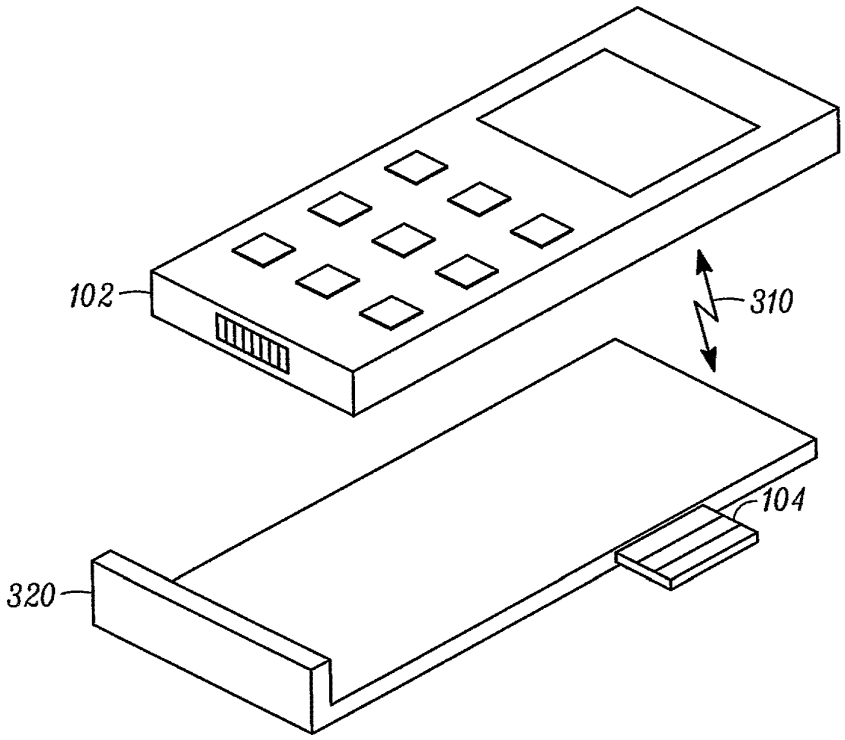


FIG. 3

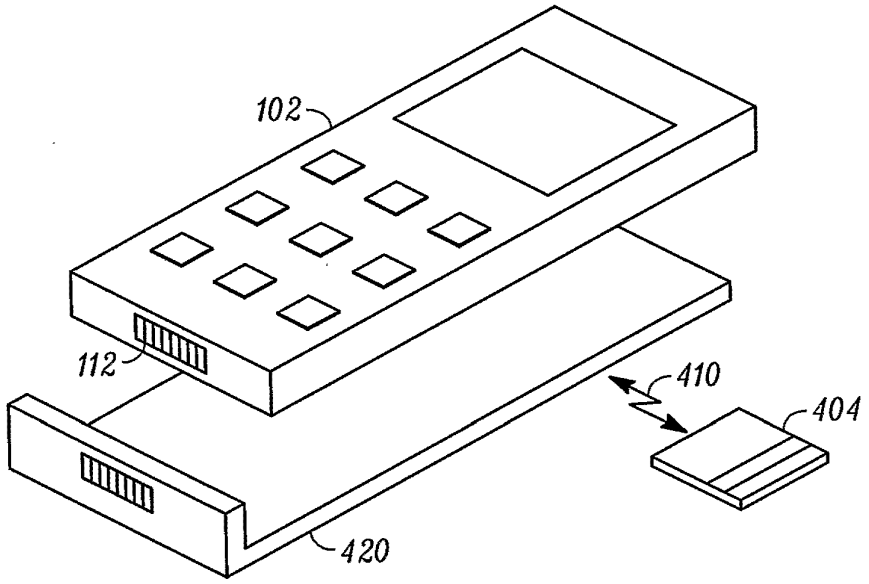


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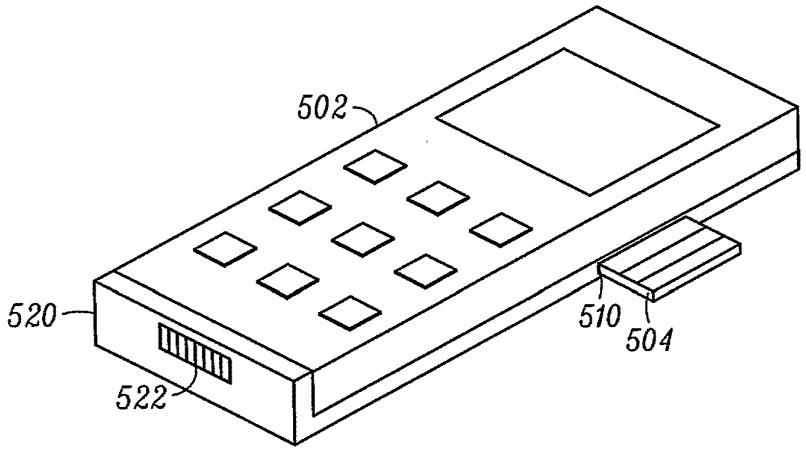


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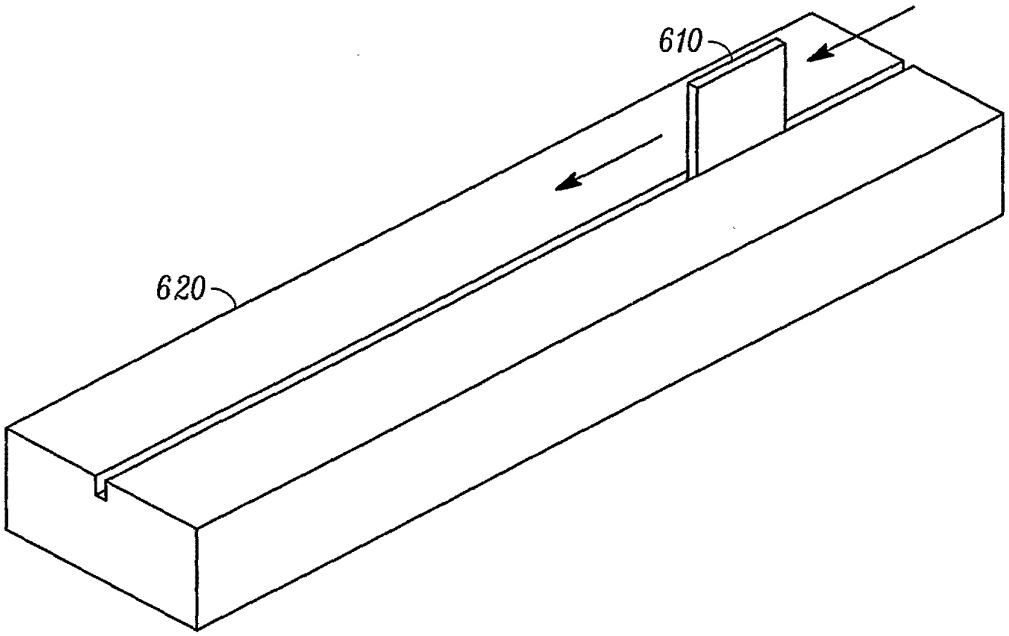


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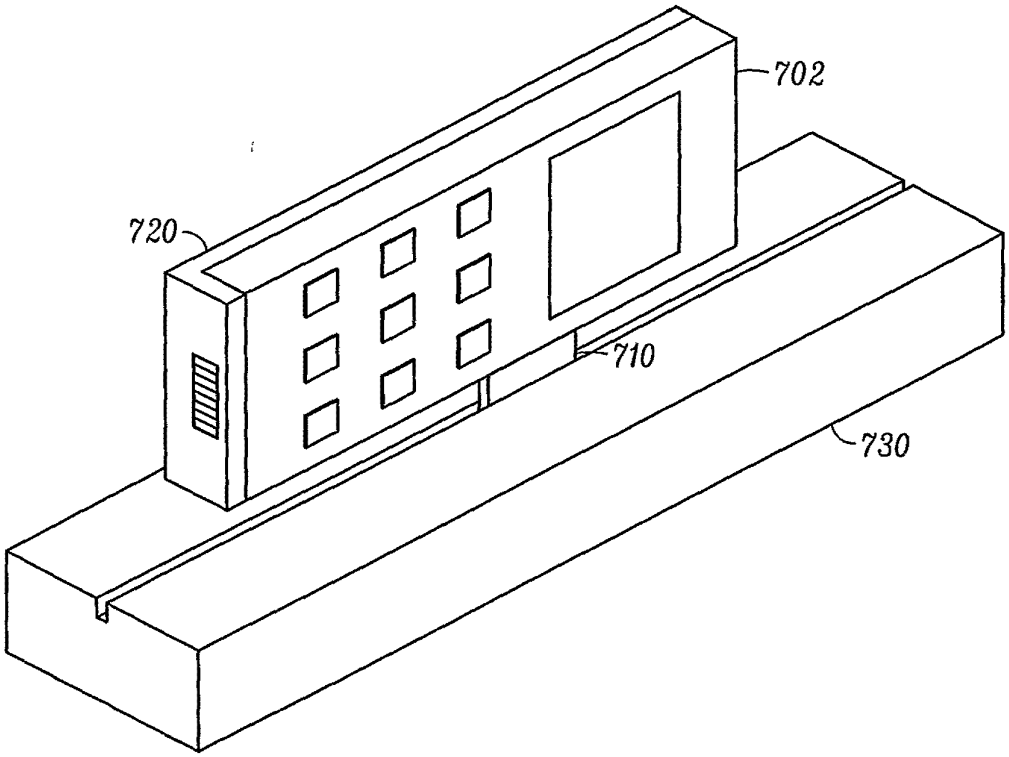


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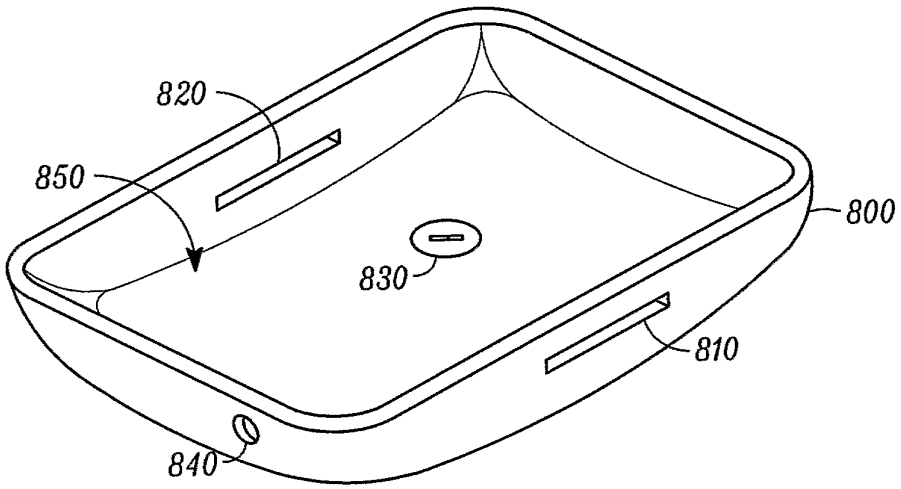


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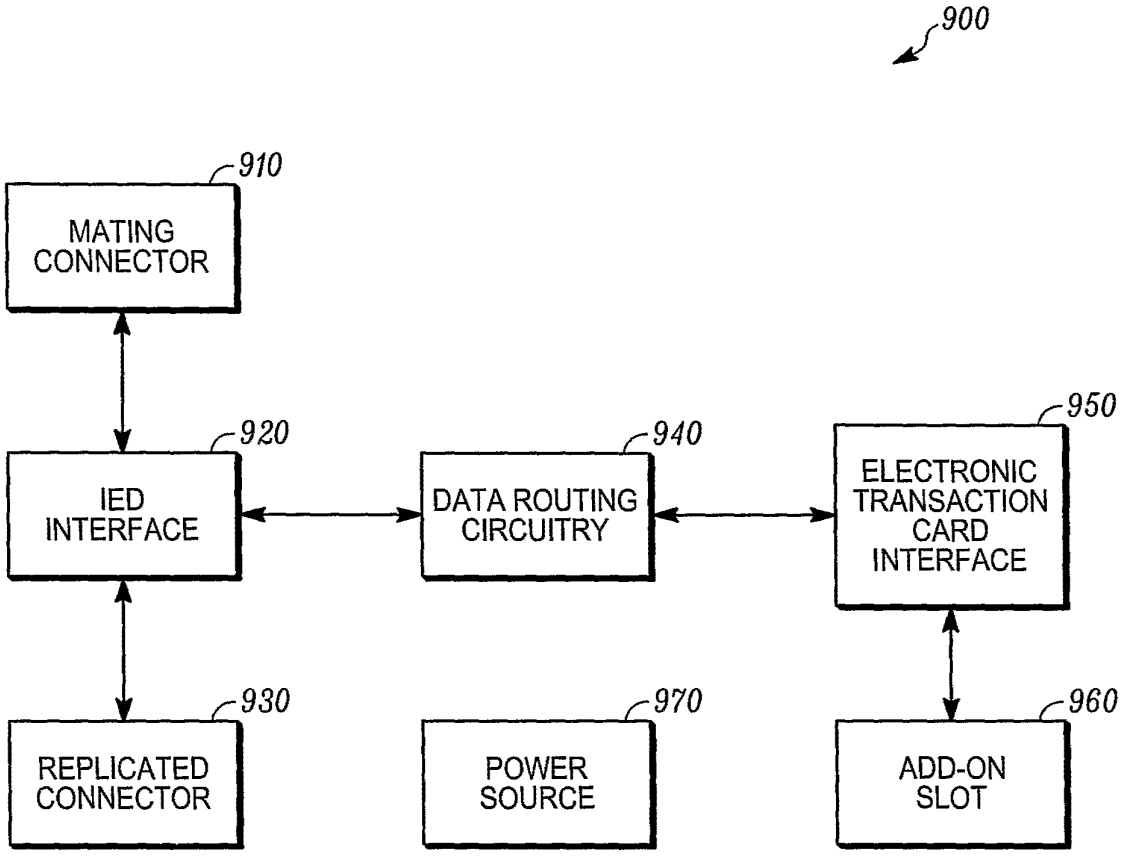

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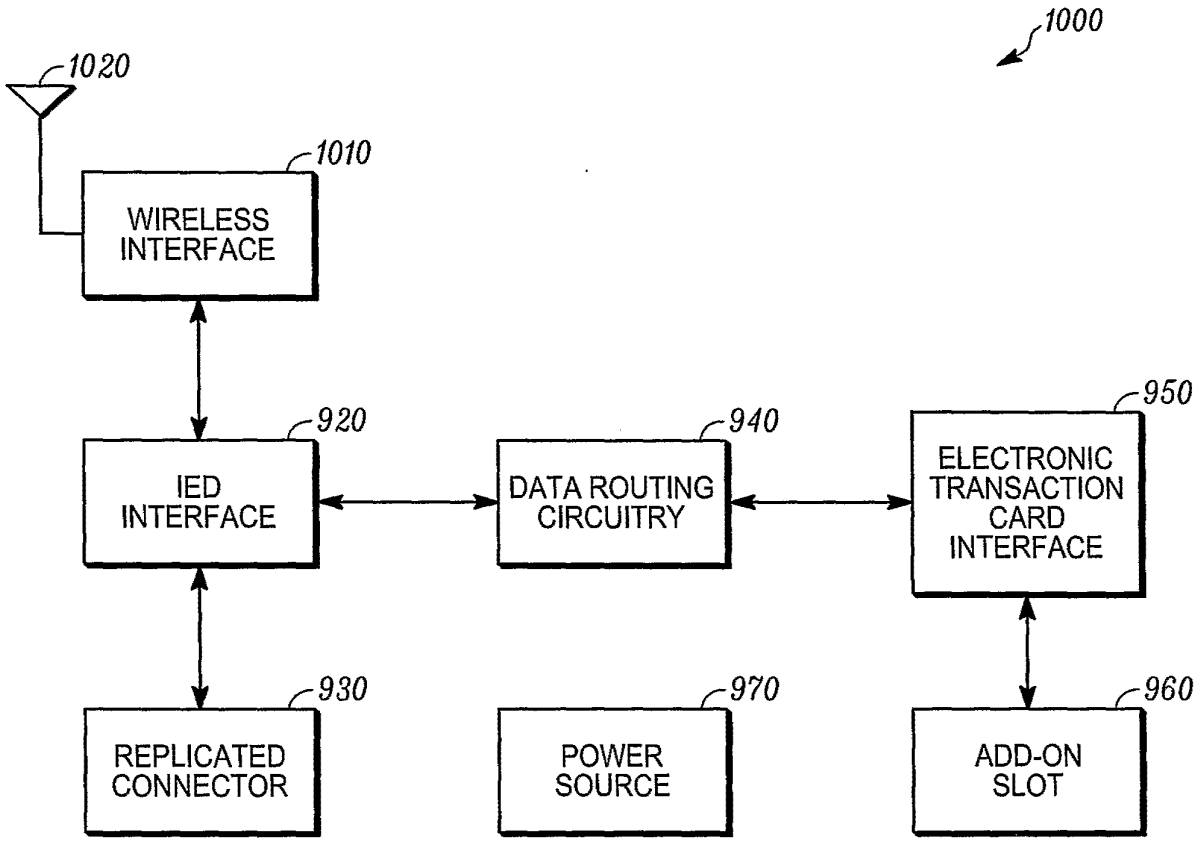

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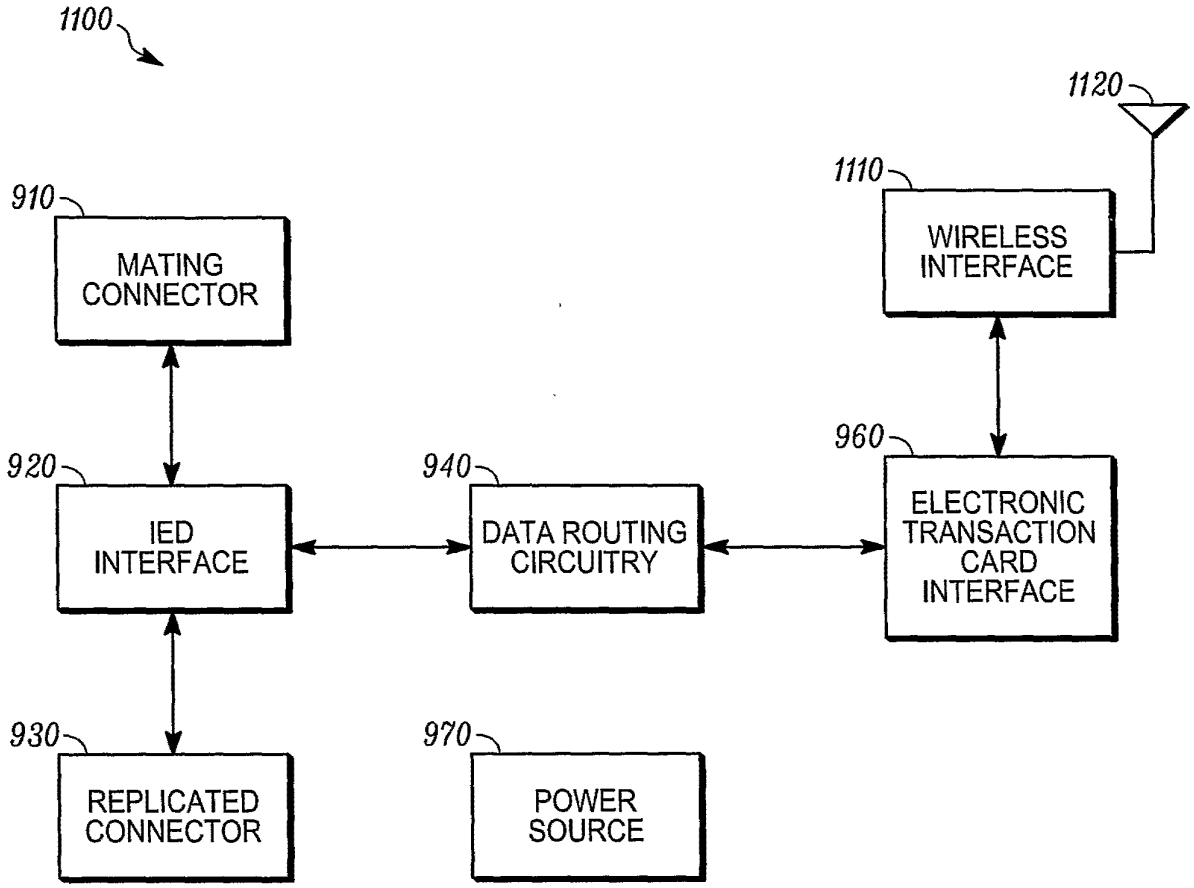

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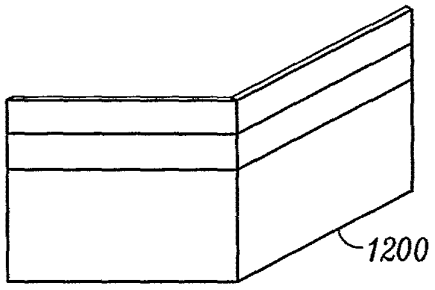


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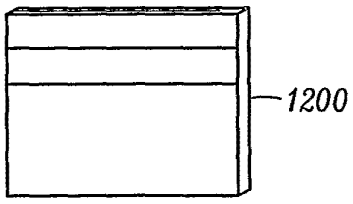


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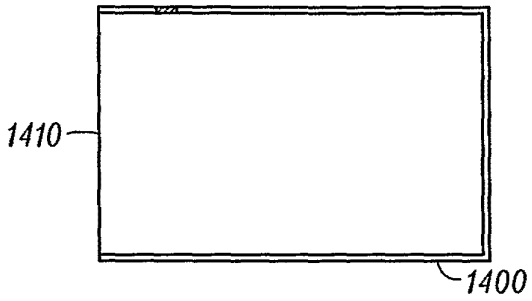


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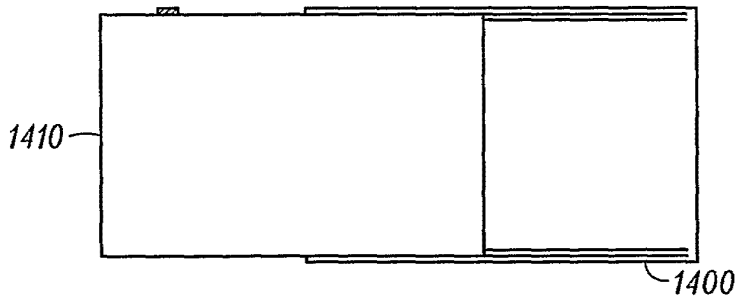


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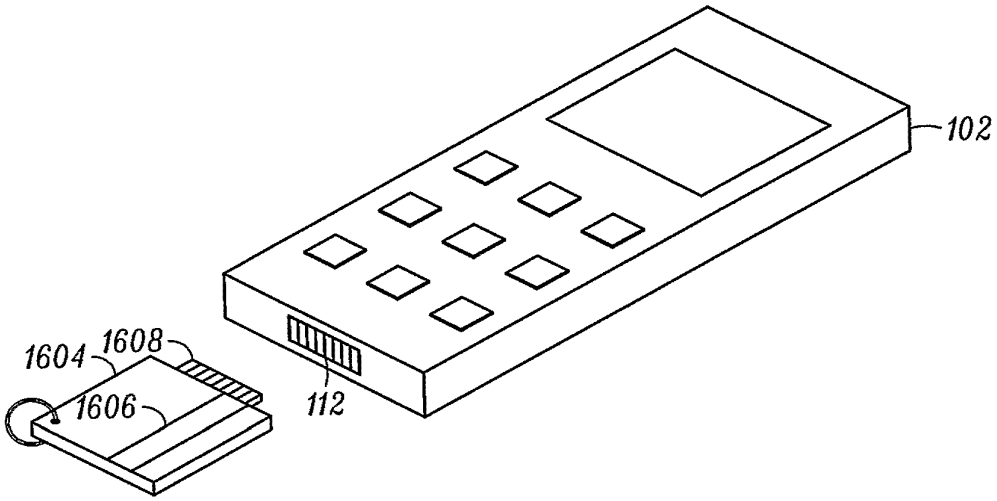


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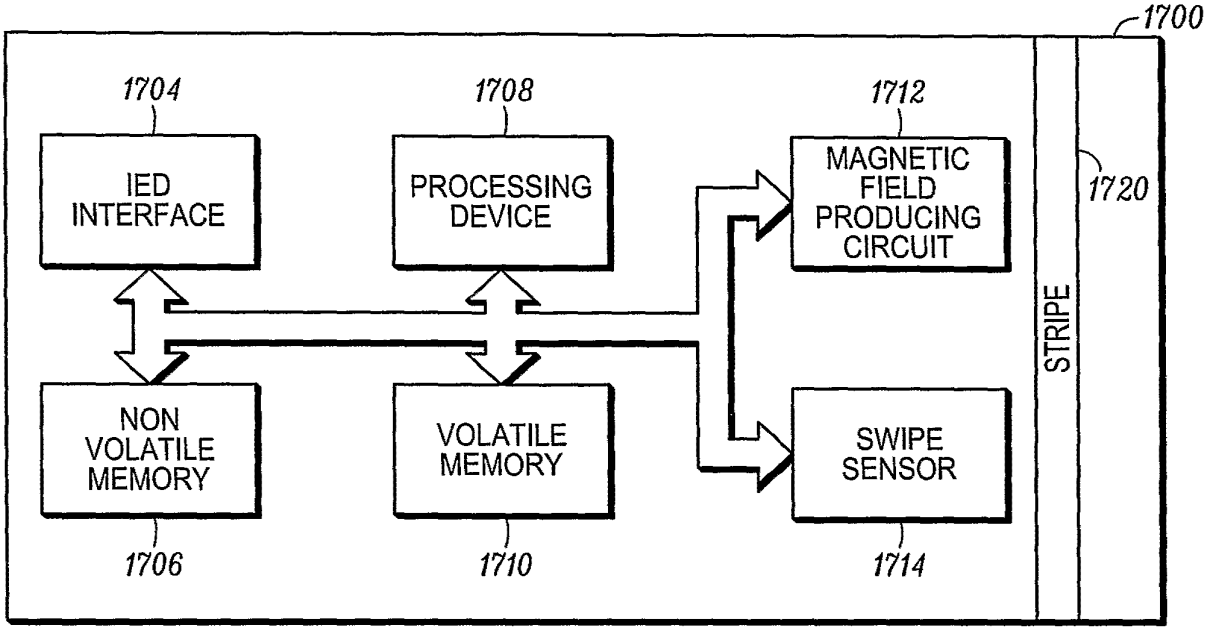

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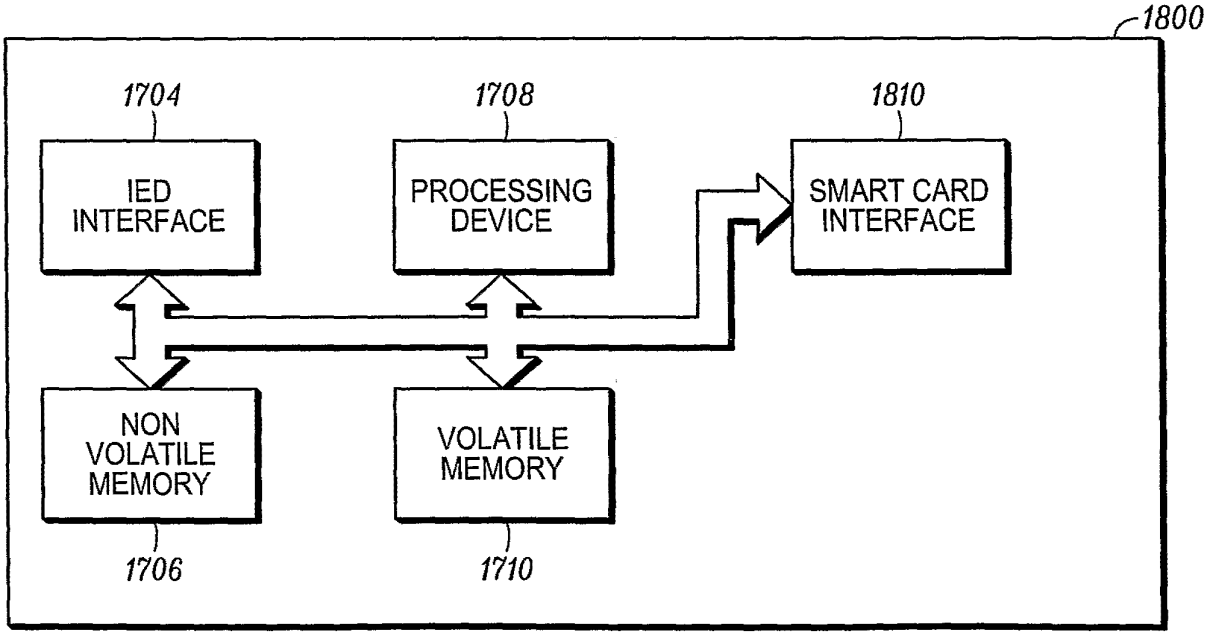

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FIG. 18

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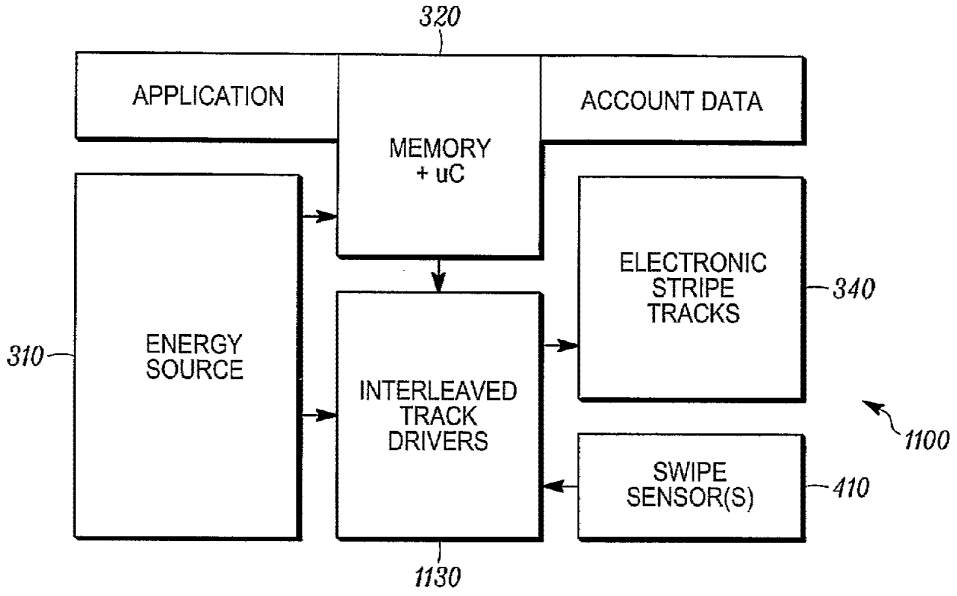
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(57) Abstract: An electronic stripe card senses when it is being swiped passed a read head, and drives a conductive path to mimic a magnetic card track. Multiple conductive paths may be driven in an interleaved fashion one after another. The card may include multiple swipe sensors to detect when to start and stop driving the conductive paths. The conductive paths may include traces on a top metal layer and bottom metal layer without magnetic material therebetween.

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ELECTRONIC STRIPE CARDS

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figures 1 and 2 show prior art magnetic field generation;

Figures 3 and 4 show diagrams of electronic stripe cards in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention;

Figures 5-8 show magnetic field generation in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention;

Figure 9 shows swipe sensor contacts and a read head in relation to an electronic stripe card;

Figure 10 shows a plot of swipe sensor impedance; and

Figure 11 shows a diagram of an electronic stripe card in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention.

Background

As shown in Figures 1 and 2, in the prior art, a coil around a magnetic material is used to generate magnetic field that "adds" up inside the magnetic material by using the same biasing current. The direction of flow of current in the top layer is opposite in the z-axis to that of the bottom layer, but the field lines below the top metal layer and above the bottom metal layer are confined in the magnetic field and will be along the same direction.

Description of Embodiments

In the following detailed description, reference is made to the accompanying drawings that show, by way of illustration, various embodiments of an invention. These embodiments are described in sufficient detail to enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention. It is to be understood that the various embodiments of the invention, although different, are not necessarily mutually exclusive. For example, a particular feature, structure, or characteristic described in connection with one embodiment may be implemented within other embodiments without

departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. In addition, it is to be understood that the location or arrangement of individual elements within each disclosed embodiment may be modified without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. The following detailed description is, therefore, not to be taken in a limiting sense. In the drawings, like numerals refer to the same or similar functionality throughout the several views.

Figures 3 and 4 show diagrams of electronic stripe cards in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Electronic stripe card 300 (Figure 3) includes memory and microcontroller 320, energy source 310, track drivers 330, and electronic stripe tracks 340. Memory and microcontroller 320 may include application software, account data, and any other software and data. Energy source 310 may be any suitable energy source for providing energy to the remaining devices shown in Figure 3. Electronic stripe tracks 340 may be implemented using magnetic field generation circuits described with reference to later figures. Further, electronic stripe tracks 340 may include multiple magnetic field generation circuits to generate magnetic fields corresponding to multiple magnetic card tracks. Track drivers 330 provide driving signals to electronic stripe tracks 340 to effect the generation of magnetic fields.

Electronic stripe card 400 (Figure 4) includes memory and microcontroller 320, energy source 310, and electronic stripe tracks 340, all of which are described in the previous paragraph. Electronic stripe card 400 also includes track drivers 430 and swipe sensor 410.

Swipe sensor 410 may sense when the card is swiped past a magnetic card reader head, and track drivers 430 may operate in response thereto. For example, with input from swipe sensor 410, the microcontroller (uC) can sense when the track driving needs to begin and/or end, making the energy consumption much lower. Swipe sensor 410 may be implemented using optical sensors, mechanical sensors or electrical sensors. Example embodiments of swipe sensors are described further below with reference to later figures. Without a swipe sensor, the track drivers

continuously drive the electronic stripes. This will consume energy from the energy source irrespective of if the card is being swiped or not.

Figures 5-8 show magnetic field generation in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. As shown in Figures 5 and 6, flux lines spread out due to absence of magnetic material and therefore are in the opposite direction resulting in canceling of the magnetic fields due to current flow in the top with that of the bottom metal layers.

As shown in Figures 7 and 8, in various embodiments of the present invention, the same bias current is used without magnetic material, while preventing the canceling of field lines by re-routing the bottom metal layer further away along the x-axis. Physical separation of the bottom with the top layers ensures that the flux lines do not cancel each other. The flux lines in the top metal layer might also add-up. Note that the metal width along the x-axis for the top and bottom layers do not have to be the same. This design ensures that the metal conductors in one side of the layout carry current in the same direction. Use of more than two layers of metal can help improve this effect.

Various embodiments of the present invention can be used as the design for electronic stripe tracks 340 (Figures 3, 4) to reuse the same bias current and generate magnetic field(s) that mimic the standard magnetic stripe functionality. This solution does not require magnetic material. Further, this solution does not suffer from flux cancellation.

Figure 9 shows swipe sensor contacts and a read head in relation to an electronic stripe card. Swipe sensor contacts 920 are shown as two metal islands on electronic stripe card 910. Read head 930 represents a metal read head in a magnetic card reader such as a point-of-sale (POS) card reader. Since the read head is made out of metal, a swipe sensor that resides on the card with two metal islands spaced closely can be effective. When the read head is in between the two metal islands they will be shorted to each other via the read head. Any other position of the read head will leave these two lines open. By sensing the impedance or by measuring corresponding current/voltage between these two metal islands a swipe

sensor such as swipe sensor 410 (Figure 4) may be implemented. During the swiping action of electronic stripe card 910 through a card reader, the sensor is activated when read head 930 is on top of, and in between, the two metal islands shown at 920.

Figure 10 shows a plot of swipe sensor impedance. As shown in Figure 10, the impedance between the two islands may drop when the read head shorts the two islands together. The sensor may detect this condition and activate track driving to generate magnetic field(s) to mimic a standard magnetic card.

In some embodiments, multiple swipe sensors exist. For example, one swipe sensor may be on each end of electronic stripe card 910. In these embodiments, track driving may start when the first sensor is activated, and track driving may stop when the second sensor is activated. Alternatively, the activation of the first sensor may trigger the driving of the stripe and the driving is automatically stopped after sending all the data to the electronic stripe a predetermined number of times. In addition, swipe sensors may be on one or both sides of the electronic stripe card.

Figure 11 shows a diagram of an electronic stripe card in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Electronic stripe card 1100 includes memory and microcontroller 320, energy source 310, electronic stripe tracks 340, and swipe sensors 410, all of which are described above. Electronic stripe card 1100 also includes interleaved track drivers 1130.

Most financial cards have two tracks of data. The data stored in these two tracks are read by two independent card reader circuits in the card reader. In a traditional magnetic stripe card since the data for the two tracks are physically recorded on the stripes they are read simultaneously. In various electronic stripe embodiments of the present invention, the data is not stored physically in the stripes, but rather electronically programmed one bit at a time. Since the time slot required for a bit is usually much smaller compared to the time it takes to swipe the entire card, it is possible to drive one track at a time. This is accomplished by first sending the entire data for one of the tracks, followed by the entire track data for the next track. When no data is sent, the track does not consume any current. For a two

track system, track interleaving reduces the power consumption by a factor of two and completely eliminates any cross-talk between tracks.

Track interleaving can be done with or without swipe sensors. In some embodiments, there are two swipe sensors for the whole card – one on each end. In these embodiments, activation of one of the swipe sensors may lead to driving of the tracks in an interleaved fashion. The driving can stop after driving the tracks for a predetermined number of times or after the activation of the other swipe sensor. In some embodiments, swipe sensors are dedicate to each track. For example, when one swipe sensor is swiped past a read head, a first track may be driven, and when a second swipe sensor is swiped past the read head, a second track may be driven. Track interleaving for power saving is also valid for designs with more than two tracks.

The various embodiments described herein may be applicable to financial cards, credit/debit cards, and other such cards. Further, the various embodiments may be used in merchant point-of-sale retail locations, automatic teller machine (ATM) locations, or wherever such cards may be read. Still further, the various embodiments may be used for purposes other than financial cards. For example, the various embodiments may be used for access control.

Although the present invention has been described in conjunction with certain embodiments, it is to be understood that modifications and variations may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as those skilled in the art readily understand. Such modifications and variations are considered to be within the scope of the invention and the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. An electronic stripe card comprising:

a conductive path having first portions oriented to carry current in a "z" direction and having second portions oriented to carry current in a "-z" direction, wherein the first and second portions are separated by a sufficient distance to allow a magnetic field created by the first portions to mimic a magnetic track without interference from a magnetic field created by the second portions.

2. The electronic stripe card of claim 4 further comprising a metal layer on one side of the electronic stripe card, wherein the conductive path is formed on the metal layer.

3. The electronic stripe card of claim 4 further comprising:

a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer without magnetic material therebetween, wherein the conductive path is partially on the top metal layer and partially on the bottom metal layer.

4. An electronic stripe card comprising:

a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer without magnetic material therebetween; and

a conductive path alternating between the top metal layer and the bottom metal layer, wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic flux interference.

5. The electronic stripe card of claim 4 wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer has a different width from the conductive layer on the bottom metal layer.

6. The electronic stripe card of claim 4 further comprising track driving circuitry to provide current to the conductive path.

7. The electronic stripe card of claim 6 further comprising a swipe sensor to detect when the electronic stripe card is swiped past a read head.

8. The electronic stripe card of claim 7 wherein the track driving circuitry is responsive to the swipe sensor to active when the electronic stripe card is swiped past the read head.

9. The electronic stripe card of claim 8 further comprising a second swipe sensor.

10. The electronic stripe card of claim 9 wherein the track driving circuitry is responsive to the second swipe sensor to deactivate the electronic stripe when the second swipe sensor is swiped past the read head.

11. The electronic stripe card of claim 4 further comprising a second conductive path alternating between the top metal layer and the bottom metal layer.

12. The electronic stripe card of claim 11 further comprising interleaving track driving circuitry to provide current to the conductive path and the second conductive path in an interleaved fashion.

13. An electronic stripe card comprising:

a first conductive path to emit a first magnetic field to mimic a first track in a magnetic card;

a second conductive path to emit a second magnetic field to mimic a second track in a magnetic card;

a swipe sensor to detect when the electronic stripe card is swiped past a read head; and

an interleaved track driver circuit responsive to the swipe sensor, to drive the first and second conductive paths one at a time.

14. The electronic stripe card of claim 13 further comprising a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer without magnetic material therebetween.

15. The electronic stripe card of claim 14 wherein the first conductive path comprises a conductive path alternating between the top metal layer and the bottom metal layer, wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic flux interference.

16. The electronic stripe card of claim 15 wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is a different width from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer.

17. The electronic stripe card of claim 13 further comprising a second swipe sensor.

18. The electronic stripe card of claim 17 wherein the interleaved track driver circuit is responsive to the second swipe sensor to stop driving the first and second conductive paths.

19. A method comprising:

detecting that a swipe sensor has been swiped past a read head; and

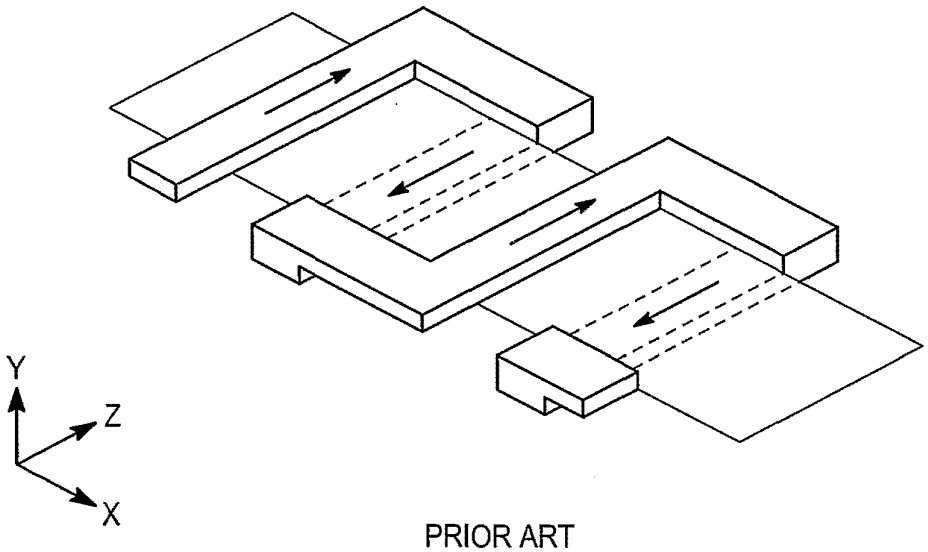
driving a first conductive path to mimic a first magnetic track and driving a second conductive path to mimic a second magnetic track, wherein the driving of the first and second conductive paths is interleaved.

20. The method of claim 19 further comprising detecting that a second swipe sensor has been swiped past the read head.

21. The method of claim 20 further comprising stopping driving when the second swipe sensor is detected.

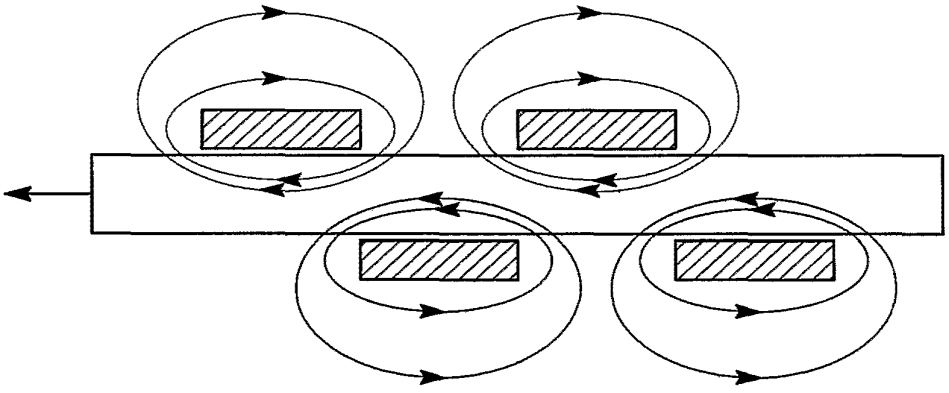
22. The method of claim 19 wherein driving a first conductive path comprises driving a first conductive path alternating between a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer, wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic flux interference.

23. The method of claim 19 wherein driving a first conductive path comprises driving a first conductive path alternating between a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer without magnetic material therebetween, wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic flux interference.



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FIG. 1



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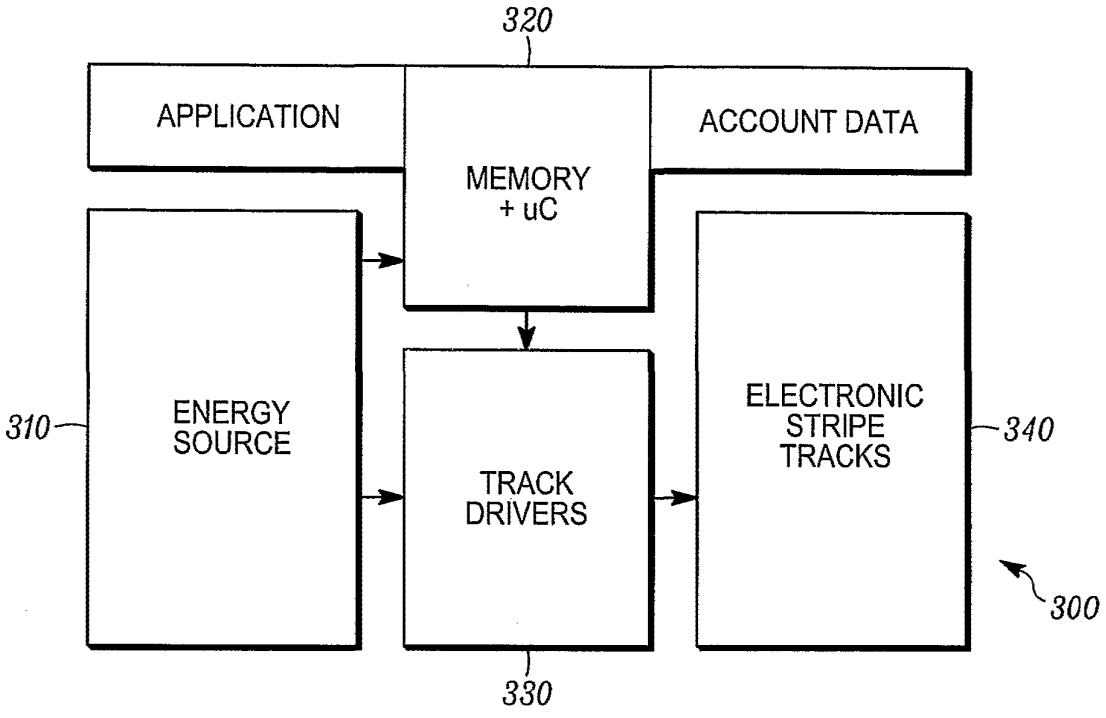

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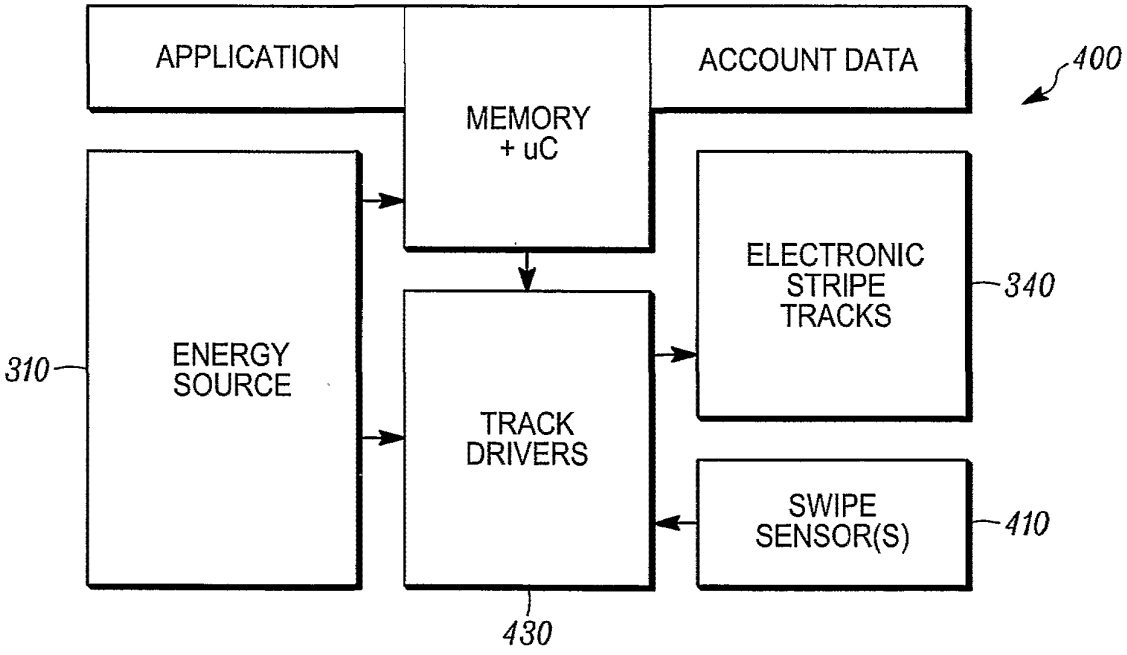

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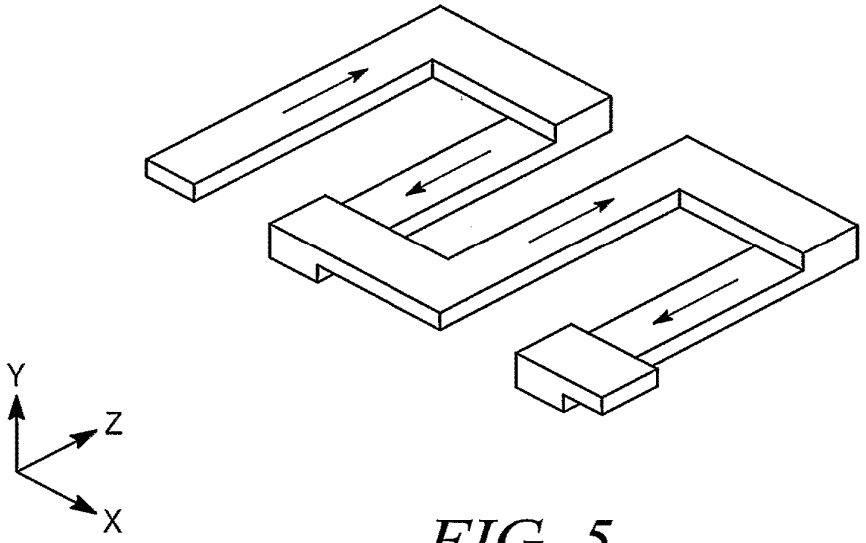


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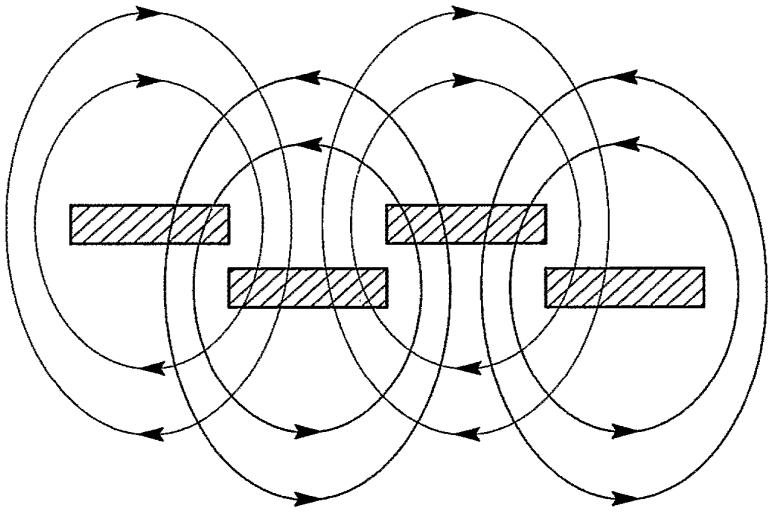


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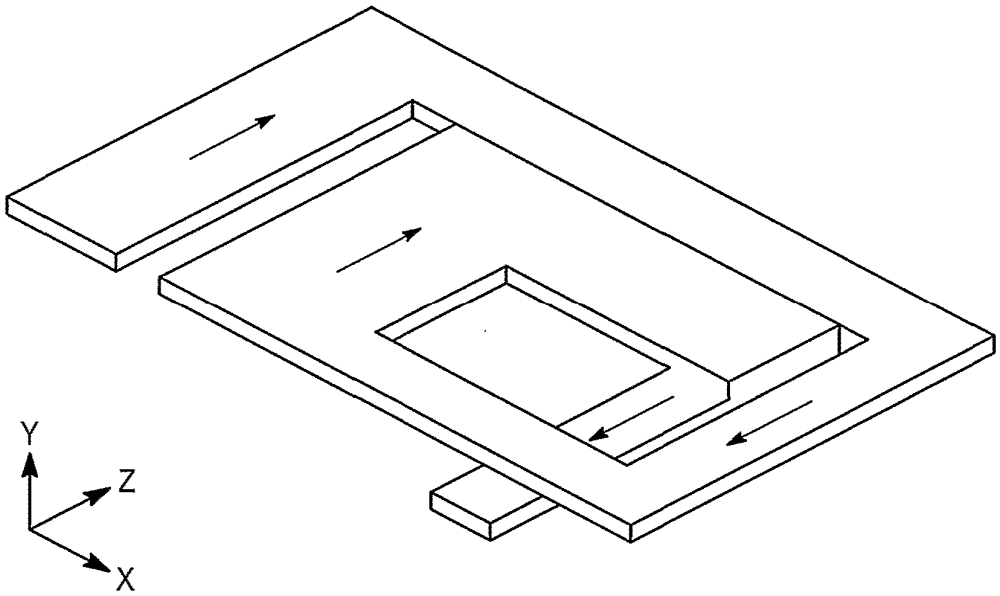


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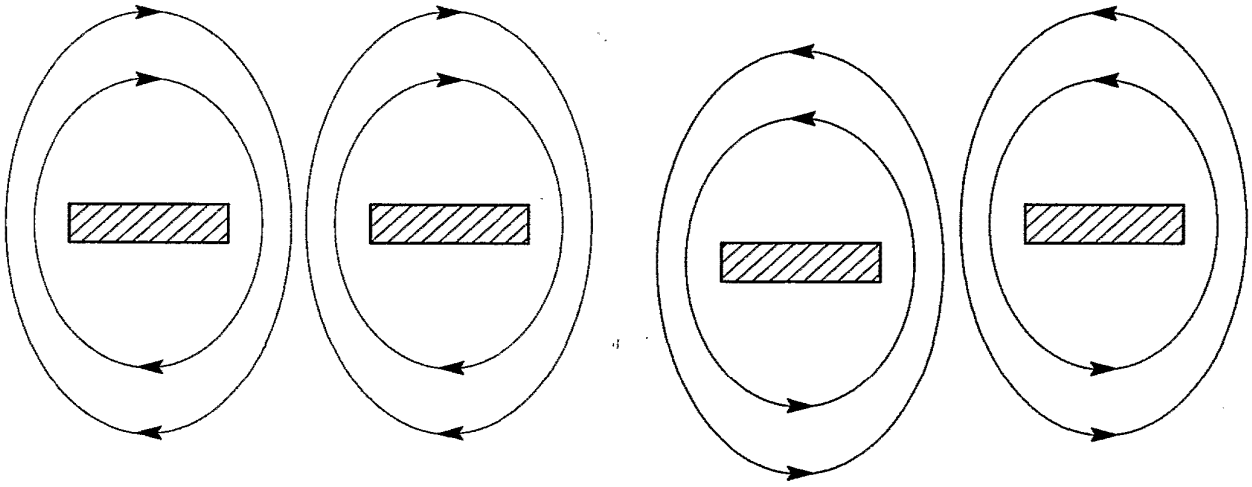


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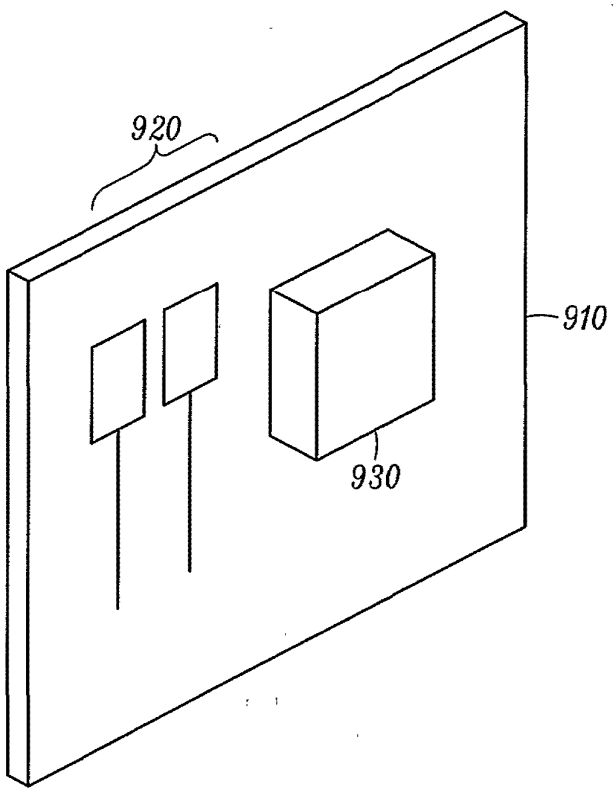

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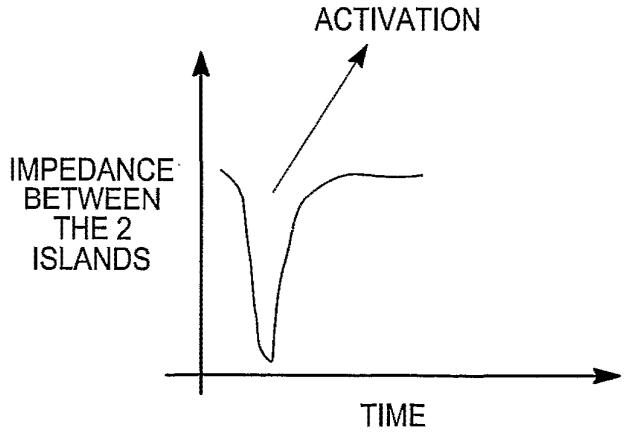

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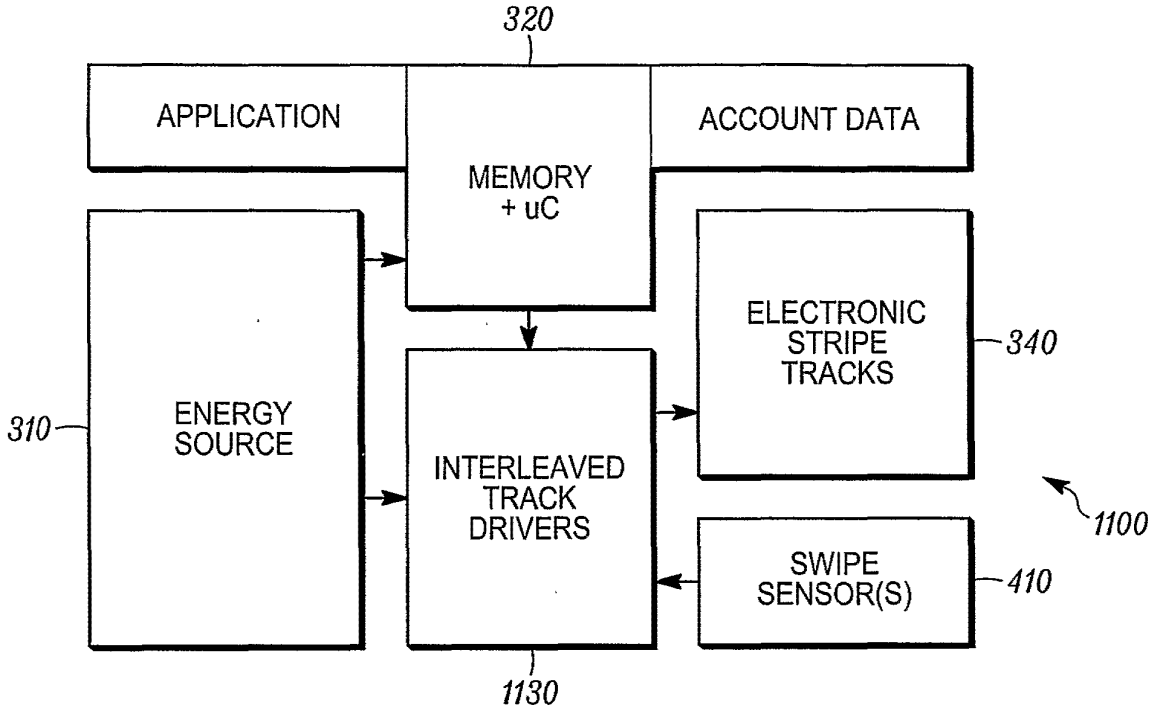

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(57) **Abstract:** A memory card compatible token includes non-memory components accessed using commands hidden in the data stream of a memory card access command. A mobile computing device such as a mobile phone accesses the non-memory components by writing to a specific address, including a known data value in the data stream, or both. The token may be activated using an activation code, and a subsequently chosen password may be used to authenticate the mobile computing device to the token each time a hidden command is issued.

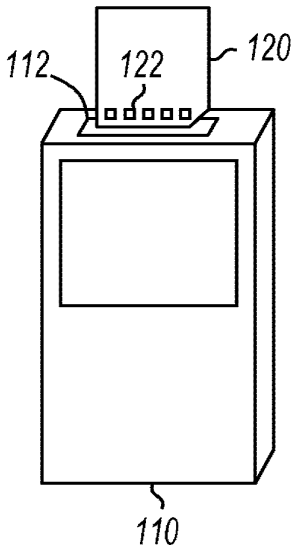


FIG. 1

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MEMORY CARD HIDDEN COMMAND PROTOCOL

Field

The present invention relates generally to communications protocols, and more specifically to communications protocols between mobile computing devices and add-on cards.

Background

Many mobile computing devices (such as mobile phones) have memory card slots to accept memory cards. Communication protocols between memory cards and mobile computing devices typically include standardized memory card access commands. Standardization increases interoperability between various types and brands of mobile computing devices and memory cards.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 shows a mobile computing device and a token compatible with a memory card slot;

Figure 2 shows a block diagram of a mobile computing device;

Figures 3 and 4 show block diagrams of tokens that communicate with memory card slots in mobile computing devices;

Figure 5 shows a data portion of a memory card write command; and

Figure 6-9 show flowcharts of methods in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention.

Description of Embodiments

In the following detailed description, reference is made to the accompanying drawings that show, by way of illustration, various embodiments of an invention. These embodiments are described in sufficient detail to enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention. It is to be understood that the various embodiments of

the invention, although different, are not necessarily mutually exclusive. For example, a particular feature, structure, or characteristic described in connection with one embodiment may be implemented within other embodiments without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. In addition, it is to be understood that the location or arrangement of individual elements within each disclosed embodiment may be modified without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. The following detailed description is, therefore, not to be taken in a limiting sense, and the scope of the present invention is defined only by the appended claims, appropriately interpreted, along with the full range of equivalents to which the claims are entitled. In the drawings, like numerals refer to the same or similar functionality throughout the several views.

Figure 1 shows a mobile computing device and a token compatible with a memory card slot. Mobile computing device 110 is shown as a mobile phone in Figure 1, but this is not a limitation of the present invention. For example, mobile computing device 110 may be a personal digital assistant (PDA), a smartphone, a mobile phone, a handheld computer, a desktop computer, or any other device capable of operating as described herein.

Mobile computing device 110 includes memory card slot 112. Memory card slot 112 is a slot capable of accepting token 120. For example, memory card slot 112 may have physical dimensions compatible with token 120, and may have a communications interface that operates using a protocol compatible with token 120. In some embodiments of the present invention, memory card slot 112 is a memory card slot designed to accept and communicate with memory cards. As used herein, the term "memory card slot" refers to any add-on slot capable of accepting a card having memory accessible by a mobile computing device such as that shown in Figure 1. For example, a memory card slot may be compatible with an industry standard communications protocol, or may be compatible with a widely accepted communications protocol that is not necessarily formally documented as an industry standard. Examples include slots that are compatible with the Multimedia Memory Card (MMC) protocol, Memory Stick DUO protocol, secure digital (SD) protocol,

and Smart Media protocol. The foregoing list is meant to be exemplary, and not exhaustive. Memory card slot 112 may be compatible with many memory card slot protocols other than those explicitly listed above without departing from the scope of the invention.

Token 120 includes electrical contacts 122 as part of a host interface that communicates with memory card slot 112. For example, electrical contacts 122 may provide connectivity compliant with a communications protocol for memory cards. In some embodiments, token 120 includes a "contactless" interface to communicate with memory card slot 112. For example, electronic token 120 may include an interface to memory card slot 112 that communicates using electric or magnetic fields, infrared (IR) light, or any other suitable communications mechanism.

Token 120 may include memory and may also include additional functionality. In some embodiments, token 120 includes memory accessible by mobile computing device 110 and also includes additional functionality. In other embodiments, token 120 does not include memory accessible by mobile computing device 110. The additional functionality of token 120 may take any form and the various embodiments of the present invention are not limited in this regard.

In various embodiments of the present invention, the additional functionality in token 120 is accessed by mobile computing device 110 using memory card access commands already defined for use in memory card slot 112. Accordingly, the various embodiments of the present invention enable the implementation of token functions beyond memory accesses without defining new commands. In some embodiments, new commands for the token are embedded inside the data bits subsequent to memory card read/write commands. Token 120 then decides if the incoming data bits are meant for regular read/write functions or for the new functions. In other words, additional token functions may be accessed through commands "hidden" in the data stream that can be exchanged using existing memory card access commands and functions. According to the various embodiments of the invention, both existing memory card functions and new

functions may be implemented without requiring changes in how the host protocol is built.

Figure 2 shows a block diagram of a mobile computing device. Mobile computing device 110 includes antenna 240, radio circuits 230, processor 210, memory 220, and memory card slot 112. In some embodiments, mobile computing device 110 is a mobile phone, or includes mobile phone functionality. For example, antenna 240 and radio circuits 230 may be utilized to communicate with a cellular telephone network. Further, in some embodiments, mobile computing device 110 is a wireless local area network (WLAN) or wireless wide area network (WWAN) device. For example, antenna 240 and radio circuits 230 may be utilized to communicate with a wireless access point. In some embodiments, antenna 240 and radio circuits 230 are omitted, and mobile computing device 110 does not utilize wireless connectivity.

Processor 210 represents a processor capable of communicating with the other blocks shown in mobile computing device 110. For example, processor 210 may be a microprocessor, a digital signal processor (DSP), a microcontroller, or the like. Further, processor 210 may be formed from state machines or other sequential logic. In operation, processor 210 may read instructions from memory 220 and perform actions in response thereto. For example, processor 210 may execute program instructions that influence communications between mobile computing device 110 and a device coupled to memory card slot 112.

Memory card slot 112 is described above with reference to Figure 1. Memory card slot 112 includes circuitry compatible with token 120. Mobile computing device 110 may communicate with token 120 by using a standard set of memory card access commands. For example, processor 210 may use memory card write commands to write to memory in token 120, and may use memory card read commands to read from memory in token 120.

Mobile computing device 110 may access additional functionality in token 120 using "hidden" commands embedded in memory card access commands. For example, a memory card write command may include a unique data string to

identify the memory card write command as a command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write. In addition, the sector address provided with the memory card write command may be set to a particular address value to further identify the memory card write command as a command to be diverted. In addition to specific address/data values to identify the memory card access command as a command to be diverted for a purpose other than a memory access, the memory access command may include data bits to further specify the type and function of hidden command. Example formats of hidden commands are described further below. In some embodiments, a read command is issued right after a write command to enable data flow from the non-memory card functions to the host, where the write command's data had the hidden commands. The combination of a memory card write command and a memory card read command can be used in this manner to form a hidden read command.

Figure 3 shows a block diagram of a token that communicates with a memory card slot in a mobile computing device. Token 300 includes host interface 310, command routing component 320, memory control component 340, non-memory control component 330, memory 360, and optional functions 350. Token 300 may be any type of token capable of communicating with a memory card slot in a mobile computing device. Further, token 300 may take any form factor compatible with a memory card slot.

Memory 360 may be any type of volatile or non-volatile memory. For example, memory 360 may be volatile memory such as static random access memory (SRAM) or dynamic random access memory (DRAM). Also for example, memory 360 may be nonvolatile memory such as NOR FLASH memory or NAND FLASH memory. In various embodiments of the present invention, memory 360 represents memory that is accessed by a mobile computing device using memory card access commands defined for that purpose.

Optional functions 350 may include any function that can be added to token 300. As described further below, optional functions 350 may be accessed by a

mobile computing device by sending hidden commands within a memory card access command.

Host interface 310 includes electrical contacts to interface with a memory card slot. For example, in some embodiments, host interface 310 includes contacts such as contacts 122 (Figure 1). Also for example, in some embodiments, host interface 310 includes recessed electrical contacts. Host interface 310 may also include circuitry such as drivers, receivers, terminations, and the like.

Command routing component 320 functions to route memory card access commands received from host interface 310. Commands may be routed to memory control component 340 for memory accesses, or may be routed (diverted) to non-memory control component 330 for purposes other than memory accesses. For example, when token 300 is communicating with a memory card slot in a mobile computing device, the mobile computing device may send a memory card access command in order to access memory 360. Also for example, the mobile computing device may send a memory card access command that contains a hidden command. Command routing component 320 detects the presence of the hidden command, and diverts all or a portion of the memory access command to non-memory control component 330.

Command routing component 320 can detect the hidden command in many ways. For example, in some embodiments, the memory card access command may include a specific address value or a specific data value. Command routing component 320 detects commands that include one or both of the specific address value or specific data value and routes the command appropriately. The specific address value and specific data value used for this purpose are referred to herein as the hidden command address value and the hidden command data value.

In some embodiments, command routing component 320 diverts commands based only on the hidden command address value. In these embodiments, command routing component 320 checks the address value included in memory card access command, and diverts the command if it matches the hidden command address value. In some embodiments, command routing component 320 diverts commands

based only on the hidden command data value. In these embodiments, command routing component 320 checks a data value included in the memory card access command, and diverts the command if it matches the hidden command data value. In still further embodiments, command routing component 320 diverts commands based on both the hidden command address value and the hidden command data value. In these embodiments, command routing component 320 diverts the command only if both the memory card access address and data match the hidden command address value and data value, respectively.

The hidden command address value and hidden command data value may be specified in many ways. For example, all tokens may be issued with fixed values. In these embodiments, each time the optional functions are accessed, the same hidden command address and/or data value is included in the memory card access command. Also for example, different tokens may be issued with unique values. In these embodiments, each token may provide these values to a mobile computing device when queried. Also for example, hidden command address and/or data values may be specified by the mobile computing device. In still further embodiments, hidden command address and data values may be dynamic. The hidden command address and data values may change each time power is applied or on a periodic basis.

In various embodiments of the invention, command routing component 320, memory control component 340, and non-memory control component are implemented in many different ways. For example, in some embodiments, the various components are implemented in hardware. In these embodiments, the various components may be implemented as separate integrated circuits, or in a combined integrated circuit. Also for example, in some embodiments, the various components may be implemented in software, or in a combination of hardware and software. In some embodiments, token 300 may include a microprocessor, and the components may be implemented as software modules running on the microprocessor. In other embodiments, token 300 may includes multiple

processors, and the components may be implemented as software modules distributed across the multiple processors.

Figure 4 shows a token in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Token 400 includes host interface 310, memory card controller 440, memory 360, secondary controller 430, program memory 432, and optional functions 350. Host interface 310, memory 360, and optional functions 350 are described above with reference to Figure 3.

In embodiments represented by Figure 4, memory card controller 440 communicates with the mobile device using memory card access commands. Memory card controller 440 also communicates with memory 360. Memory card controller 440 determines whether each command should result in a memory operation with memory 360, or whether the command should be diverted to secondary controller 430. In some embodiments, memory card controller 440 executes instructions that are stored in an internal memory or stored in memory 360. In some embodiments, memory card controller 440 includes special purpose hardware useful to determine whether a command should be diverted. In other embodiments, memory card controller 440 may be a microcontroller identical in all respects to a controller found in memory cards, except for the program that it executes.

Secondary controller 430 receives hidden commands diverted by memory card controller 440. Secondary controller 430 further interprets the hidden commands and performs actions in response thereto. For example, secondary controller 430 may command optional functions 350 to provide a service. Secondary controller 430 executes instructions stored in program memory 432. In some embodiments, program memory 432 is embedded in secondary controller 430, and in other embodiments, program memory 432 is part of memory 360.

In embodiments represented by Figure 4, memory card controller 440 includes the functionality of both command routing component 320 and memory control component 340 (Figure 3), and secondary controller 430 includes the functionality of non-memory control component 330 (Figure 3). In other

embodiments, secondary controller 430 communicates with host interface 310 and memory card controller 440, and includes the functionality of the command routing component.

Figure 5 shows a data portion of a memory card write command. Included are hidden command data value 510, status field 520, password field 530, device ID 532, command index 540, and hidden command related data 550. In the example of Figure 5, the data portion is 512 bytes in length, although this is not a limitation of the present invention. Any amount of data may be included in the write command, and each field shown in Figure 5 may be any length.

In the example of Figure 5, the hidden command data value is 256 bits long, although any length may be used without departing from the scope of the present invention. In some embodiments, hidden command data value 510 is used to identify a memory write command as a hidden command. When a write command is received having data in the first 256 bits that match the hidden command data value, the command is identified as one to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write. As described above, a hidden command address value may be used in conjunction with, or instead of, a hidden command data value to identify the memory write command as a hidden command.

The remaining fields have significance when the memory write is a hidden command. For example, if the first 256 bits do not match the hidden command data value (or if the write address does not match the hidden command address value, or both) then the remaining bits in the data field are to be treated as data in a normal memory write command. In contrast, when the memory write is a hidden command, the remaining fields are used to further interpret the hidden command.

Command routing component 320 (Figure 3) inspects the hidden command data value 510, status field 520, and possibly password field 530 and device ID 532. If the command is identified as a hidden command, command routing component 320 forwards the password 530, command index 540, and related data 550 to non-memory control component 330.

Status field 520 may include any information relating to the status of the hidden command. For example, status field 520 may include one more bits to signify to command routing component 320 whether the host (mobile computing device) is expecting the non-memory control component to return data in response to the hidden command. For example, when status field 520 signifies a write, command routing component 320 forwards the password device ID, command index, and related data without expecting to return any data to the host. Also for example, when status field 520 signifies a read, command routing component 320 forwards the password, device ID, command index, and related data with the expectation that non-memory control component 330 will provide data to be sent to the host in response to a memory card read command. The combination of a memory card write command followed shortly thereafter by a memory card read command may be used to provide "read" functionality to the non-memory control component. Read operations from the non-memory control component are described further below with reference to Figure 8.

Password field 530 includes a password to allow non-memory control component 330 to authenticate the host to the token. In some embodiments, every hidden command includes a password. Each time the password, device ID, command index, and related data is diverted to the non-memory control component, the password is checked to authenticate the host to the token.

Device ID 532 uniquely identifies the host (mobile computing device). The device ID may be checked by the non-memory control component to ensure that the token is inserted in the host to which it is authenticated. Some embodiments of the present invention enforce a unique host/token pairing using the device ID, and other embodiments allow non-memory control functions to be accessed by any host.

Command index 540 identifies the type of hidden command. The number of possible hidden commands is limited only by the number of bits allocated thereto. Any number of bits may be allocated to command index 540 without departing from the scope of the present invention. Hidden command related data 550 may be

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utilized differently for each type of hidden command. Any number of bits may be used for hidden command related data 550.

The data shown in Figure 5 is provided as an example, the data field of a memory card access command may include more or fewer data fields than those shown in Figure 5. The present invention is not limited by the number or content of the fields in a memory card access command.

Figure 6 shows a flowchart in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. In some embodiments, method 600 may be used by a mobile computing device to communicate with a token in a memory card slot. In some embodiments, method 600, or portions thereof, is performed by a mobile computing device with a memory card slot, and in other embodiments, method 600, or portions thereof, is performed by software. The various actions in method 600 may be performed in the order presented, in a different order, or simultaneously. Further, in some embodiments, some actions listed in Figure 6 are omitted from method 600.

Method 600 begins at 610 in which a data pattern and an address value are received from a device in a memory card slot. The data pattern corresponds to the hidden command data value, and the address value corresponds to the hidden command address value. In some embodiments, the mobile device only receives the data value and in other embodiments, the mobile device only receives the address value. In some embodiments, the actions of 610 may occur once when the device is first inserted in the memory card slot. The mobile computing device may then use the address and data values each time it creates a hidden command. In other embodiments, the actions of 610 may occur each time the device is inserted in the memory slot. In still further embodiments, the actions of 610 may occur periodically. Each time the actions 610 occur, the data pattern may be the same or different, and the address value may be the same or different.

At 620, a data field of a memory card access command is populated with the data pattern to cause the command to be diverted for a purpose other than a memory access. For example, the data pattern may be written to the data field as the hidden command data value 510 (Figure 5).

At 630, an address field of the memory card access command is populated with the address value to further cause the command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory access. In some embodiments, only one of 620 or 630 is utilized. In these embodiments, the presence of a hidden command is signified by the data pattern alone, or the address value alone.

At 640, the data field of the memory card access command is populated with a command string to specify a purpose other than a memory card access. For example, the command string may be written to the data field as the command index 540 for the non-memory control component.

At 650, the data field of a memory card access command is populated with a password to authenticate access to the device coupled to the memory card slot. In some embodiments, a password is included in the data field for every hidden command. In other embodiments, a password is only included at the beginning of an exchange.

At 660, the memory card access command is sent to the device coupled to the memory card slot. For example, a mobile computing device (110, Figure 1) may send the memory card access command to a token (120, Figure 1) in a memory card slot (112, Figure 1). The token may include a command routing component (320, Figure 3) to divert the command based on the data fields populated in method 600.

Figure 7 shows a flowchart in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. In some embodiments, method 700 may be used by token in a memory card slot. In some embodiments, method 700, or portions thereof, is performed by a command routing component within a token, and in other embodiments, method 700, or portions thereof, is performed by software. The various actions in method 700 may be performed in the order presented, in a different order, or simultaneously. Further, in some embodiments, some actions listed in Figure 7 are omitted from method 700.

Method 700 begins at 710 in which a memory card access command is received from a mobile computing device via a host interface. The actions of 710

correspond to a token in a memory card slot of a mobile computing device receiving a memory card access command.

At 720, the token checks criteria in the memory card access command to determine if the memory card access command should be diverted for other purposes. The criteria may be one or both of a hidden command data value, a hidden command address value, or both. If there is a criteria match at 730, then a hidden command is present, and at least a portion of the memory card access command is diverted at 740. If there is not a criteria match, then no hidden command is present, and a memory access is performed at 750.

Figure 8 shows a flowchart in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. In some embodiments, method 800 may be used by token in a memory card slot. In some embodiments, method 800, or portions thereof, is performed by a command routing component within a token, and in other embodiments, method 800, or portions thereof, is performed by software. The various actions in method 800 may be performed in the order presented, in a different order, or simultaneously. Further, in some embodiments, some actions listed in Figure 8 are omitted from method 800.

Method 800 begins at 810 in which a memory card write command is received from a mobile computing device via a host interface. If the memory card write command is determined to be a hidden command, processing continues with 840; otherwise, a memory write is performed at 830.

At 840, the hidden command is diverted to a non-memory control component. If the hidden command is determined to be a "read" at 850, processing continues at 860; otherwise, the hidden command processing is done. At 860, the command routing component retrieves non-memory data from the non-memory control component, and at 870, a memory card read command is received from the mobile computing device. At 880, the non-memory data is returned to the mobile computing device.

Method 800 demonstrates how a mobile computing device can perform a read from an optional function or from a non-memory control component. The

mobile computing device issues a memory card write command with a hidden command having a status field designating a read, and then the mobile computing device issues a memory card read command. The processing in the card receives the hidden command, identifies it as a read, and then returns data to the mobile computing device in response to a subsequent memory card read command.

Figure 9 shows a method authenticating a mobile computing device to one or more functions in a token. Method 900 begins at block 910 in which an activation code is received at a token from a mobile computing device. At 920, the received activation code is compared to a code stored in the token. If the activation code matches, the token receives a password from the mobile computing device at 940, and stores the password in the token for later use at 950. If the activation code does not match, the token determines whether a number of allowable tries has been exceeded at 960. If the number of allowable tries has been exceeded, the token issuer is contacted at 970, and if the number of allowable tries has not been exceeded, the method repeats until either the activation code matches or the number of allowable tries has been exceeded.

Method 900 may be performed when a token is issued to a user. The user may be provided an activation code to "activate" the token. When the user successfully enters the activation code, the user is prompted for a password, and that password is stored for use in future hidden commands.

In some embodiments, multiple non-memory functions in a token are authenticated using method 900. For example, each of multiple non-memory functions may have stored activation codes, and each is activated separately. Each of the separately activated functions may have a different password, or the multiple functions may share a password.

What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:

receiving a memory access command, the memory access command including an address field and a data field;

comparing at least a portion of the data field to a predetermined data value to determine if there is a match;

if there is not a match, performing a memory access according to the memory access command; and

if there is a match, diverting the memory access command for further interpretation.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprising comparing the address field with a predetermined address value to determine if there is an address match, and diverting the memory access command only when there is also an address match.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein diverting the memory access command comprises passing at least some of the data field to a non-memory controller component for further interpretation.

4. The method of claim 3 further comprising reading a password from the data field to authenticate access to the non-memory controller component.

5. An article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon that when accessed result in a machine:

comparing data received with a memory write command to a predetermined data value to determine whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command or whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command.

6. The article of claim 5 wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the machine forwarding the memory write command to a memory controller component when the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command.

7. The article of claim 5 wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the machine forwarding the memory write command to a non-memory controller component when the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command.

8. An article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon that when accessed result in a machine:

comparing an address field received with a memory write command to a predetermined address value to determine whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command or whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command.

9. A method comprising populating fields in a memory write command to be sent to a memory card interface by populating at least a first portion of a data field with a data pattern to identify the memory write command as a command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write.

10. The method of claim 9 further comprising prior to populating the fields, receiving a copy of the data pattern from a device coupled to the memory card interface.

11. The method of claim 9 further comprising populating an address field with an address value to further identify the memory write command as a command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write.

12. The method of claim 9 further comprising populating a second portion of the data field with a command index to specify a purpose other than a memory write.

13. The method of claim 9 further comprising populating a second portion of the data field with a password to authenticate access to a device coupled to the memory card interface.

14. The method of claim 9 further comprising:

issuing the memory write command to a device coupled to the memory card interface followed by issuing a memory read command to the device coupled to the memory card interface.

15. An article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon that when accessed result in a mobile computing device:

accessing a non-memory control function in a device coupled to a memory card interface of the mobile computing device by populating a data field of a memory card write command with a data pattern to identify the memory card write command as a command to be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write.

16. The article of claim 15 wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the mobile computing device populating the data field with a password to authenticate access to the device coupled to the memory card interface.

17. The article of claim 15 wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the mobile computing device populating the data field with a command index to specify a purpose other than a memory write.

18. A memory card compatible device comprising:

a host interface to receive memory write commands;

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a non-memory controller component coupled to the host interface to interpret data included within the memory write commands as non-memory related commands.

19. The memory card compatible device of claim 18 further comprising:

non-volatile memory;

a memory controller component coupled to the non-volatile memory; and

a memory command routing component coupled to the host interface and the non-memory controller component, the memory command routing component including logic to determine whether to route a memory write command to the memory controller or the non-memory controller based on the data included within the memory write command.

20. A device comprising:

a host interface compatible with a memory card interface of a mobile computing device; and

a memory command routing component to interpret memory card write commands to determine whether the memory card write command should be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write based on at least a portion of the data to be written, wherein the memory command routing component is coupled to receive the memory card write command from the host interface.

21. The device of claim 20 further comprising:

a memory controller component coupled to receive memory write commands from the memory command routing component.

22. The device of claim 20 further comprising:

a non-memory controller component coupled to receive diverted memory write commands from the memory command routing component.

23. A device comprising:

a host interface compatible with a memory card interface of a mobile computing device; and

a memory command routing component to interpret memory card write commands to determine whether the memory card write command should be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write based on at least a portion of an address to be written, wherein the memory command routing component is coupled to receive the memory card write command from the host interface.

24. A method comprising:

receiving, at a non-memory control component in a memory card compatible device, an activation code in a data field of a memory write command;

comparing the activation code to a known value to detect a match; and

if there is a match, requesting a password to be used in subsequent authentications to the non-memory control component in a memory card compatible device.

25. The method of claim 24 further comprising receiving non-memory related commands hidden in the data field of memory write commands, wherein the non-memory related commands include the password.

26. The method of claim 24 further comprising receiving a plurality of activation codes, wherein each of the plurality of activation codes corresponds to the activation of a different non-memory control component in the memory card compatible device.

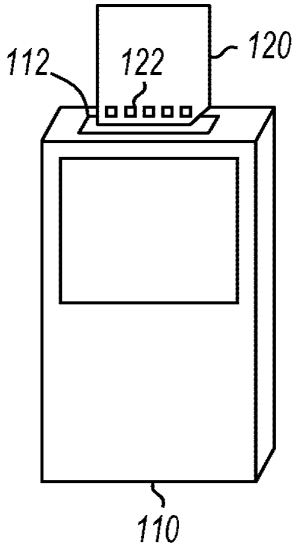

112
122
120
110

FIG. 1

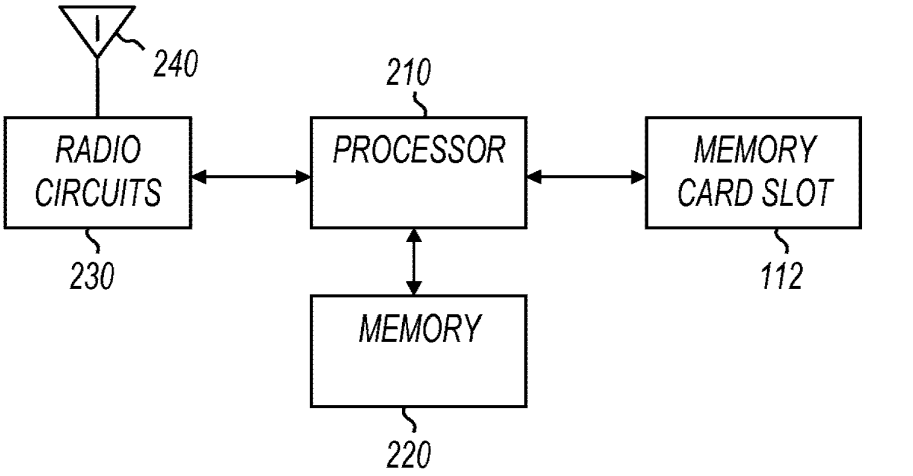

240
210
RADIO CIRCUITS
PROCESSOR
MEMORY CARD SLOT
230
112
MEMORY
220
110

FIG. 2

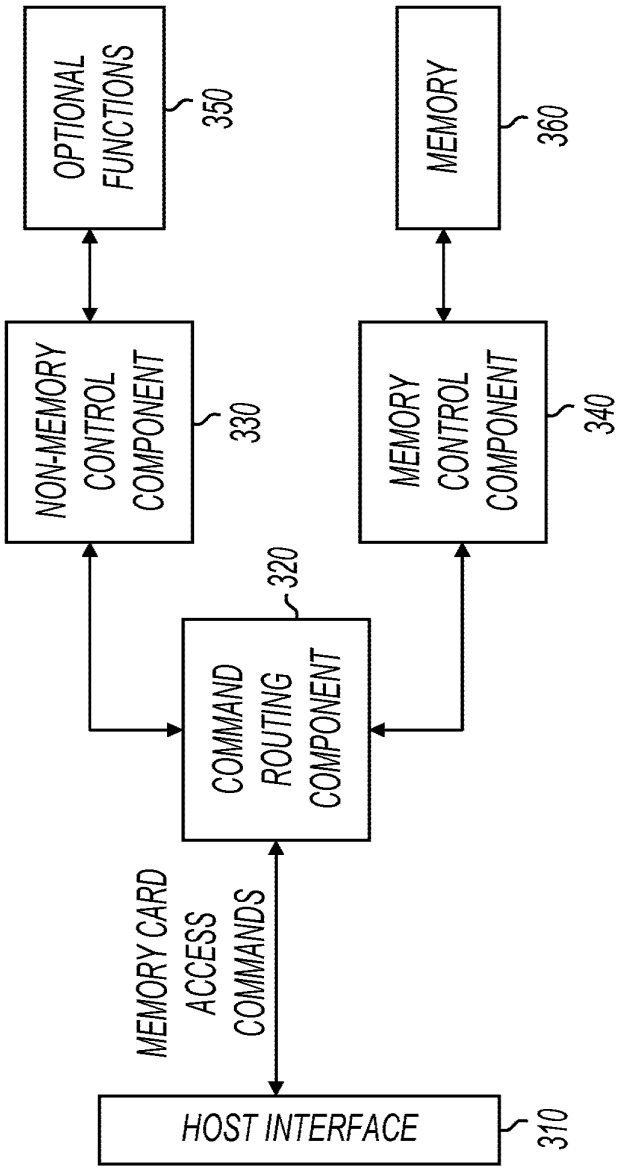

OPTIONAL FUNCTIONS
350
MEMORY
360
NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
330
MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
340
320
COMMAND ROUTING COMPONENT
MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMANDS
HOST INTERFACE
310
300

FIG. 3

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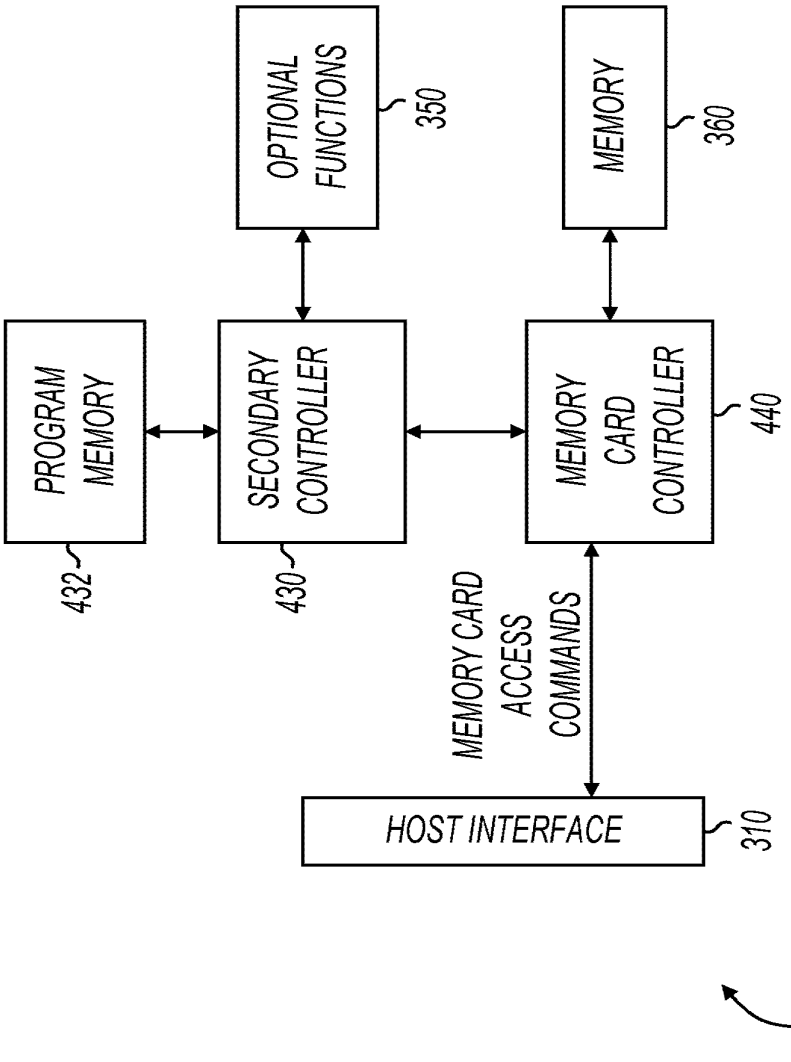


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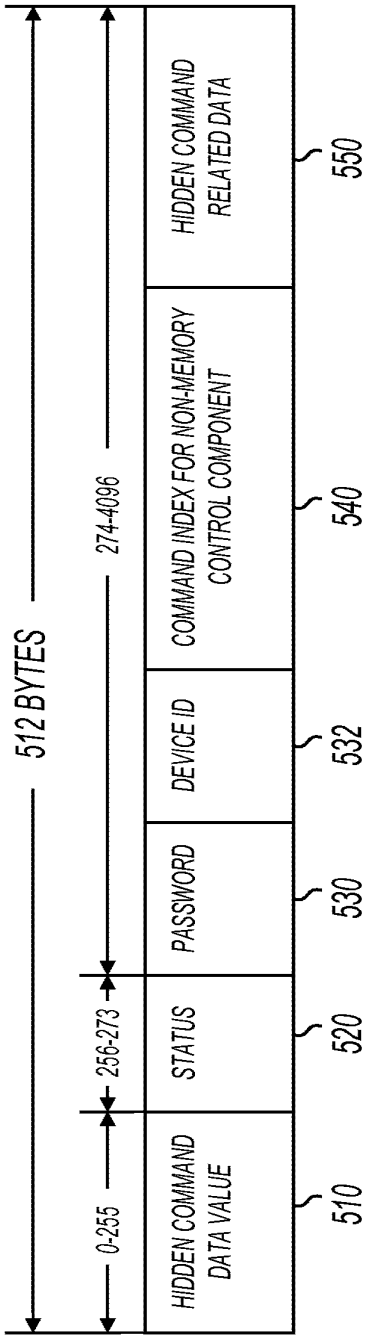

512 BYTES
274-4096
0-255
256-273
HIDDEN COMMAND DATA VALUE
STATUS
PASSWORD
DEVICE ID
COMMAND INDEX FOR NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
HIDDEN COMMAND RELATED DATA
510
520
530
532
540
550

FIG. 5

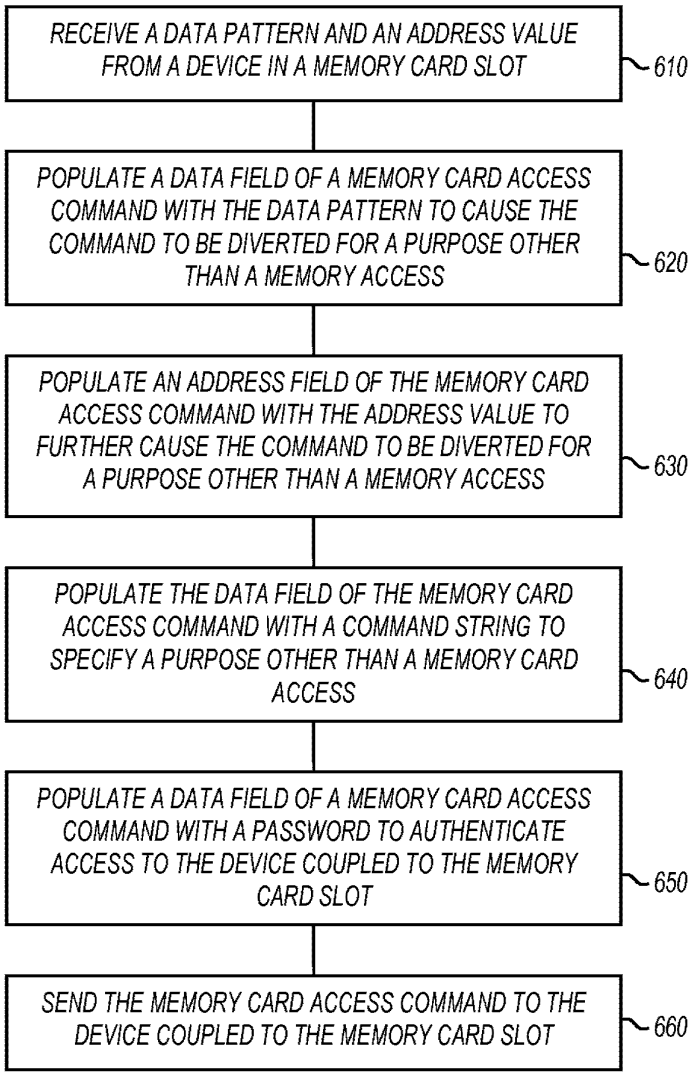

RECEIVE A DATA PATTERN AND AN ADDRESS VALUE FROM A DEVICE IN A MEMORY CARD SLOT
610
POPULATE A DATA FIELD OF A MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND WITH THE DATA PATTERN TO CAUSE THE COMMAND TO BE DIVERTED FOR A PURPOSE OTHER THAN A MEMORY ACCESS
620
POPULATE AN ADDRESS FIELD OF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND WITH THE ADDRESS VALUE TO FURTHER CAUSE THE COMMAND TO BE DIVERTED FOR A PURPOSE OTHER THAN A MEMORY ACCESS
630
POPULATE THE DATA FIELD OF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND WITH A COMMAND STRING TO SPECIFY A PURPOSE OTHER THAN A MEMORY CARD ACCESS
640
POPULATE A DATA FIELD OF A MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND WITH A PASSWORD TO AUTHENTICATE ACCESS TO THE DEVICE COUPLED TO THE MEMORY CARD SLOT
650
SEND THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND TO THE DEVICE COUPLED TO THE MEMORY CARD SLOT
660
600

FIG. 6

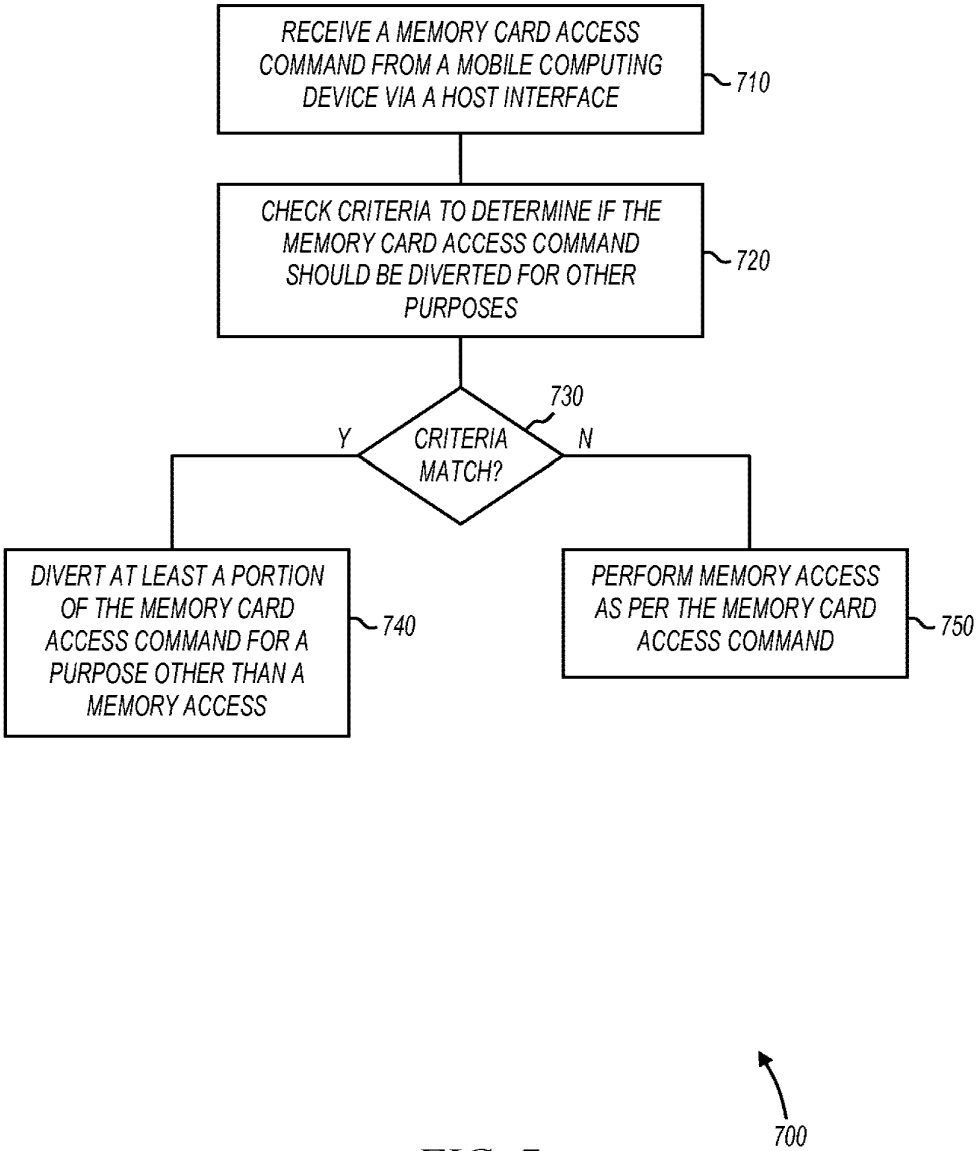

RECEIVE A MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND FROM A MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE VIA A HOST INTERFACE
710
CHECK CRITERIA TO DETERMINE IF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND SHOULD BE DIVERTED FOR OTHER PURPOSES
720
730
CRITERIA MATCH?
Y
N
DIVERT AT LEAST A PORTION OF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND FOR A PURPOSE OTHER THAN A MEMORY ACCESS
740
PERFORM MEMORY ACCESS AS PER THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND
750
700

FIG. 7

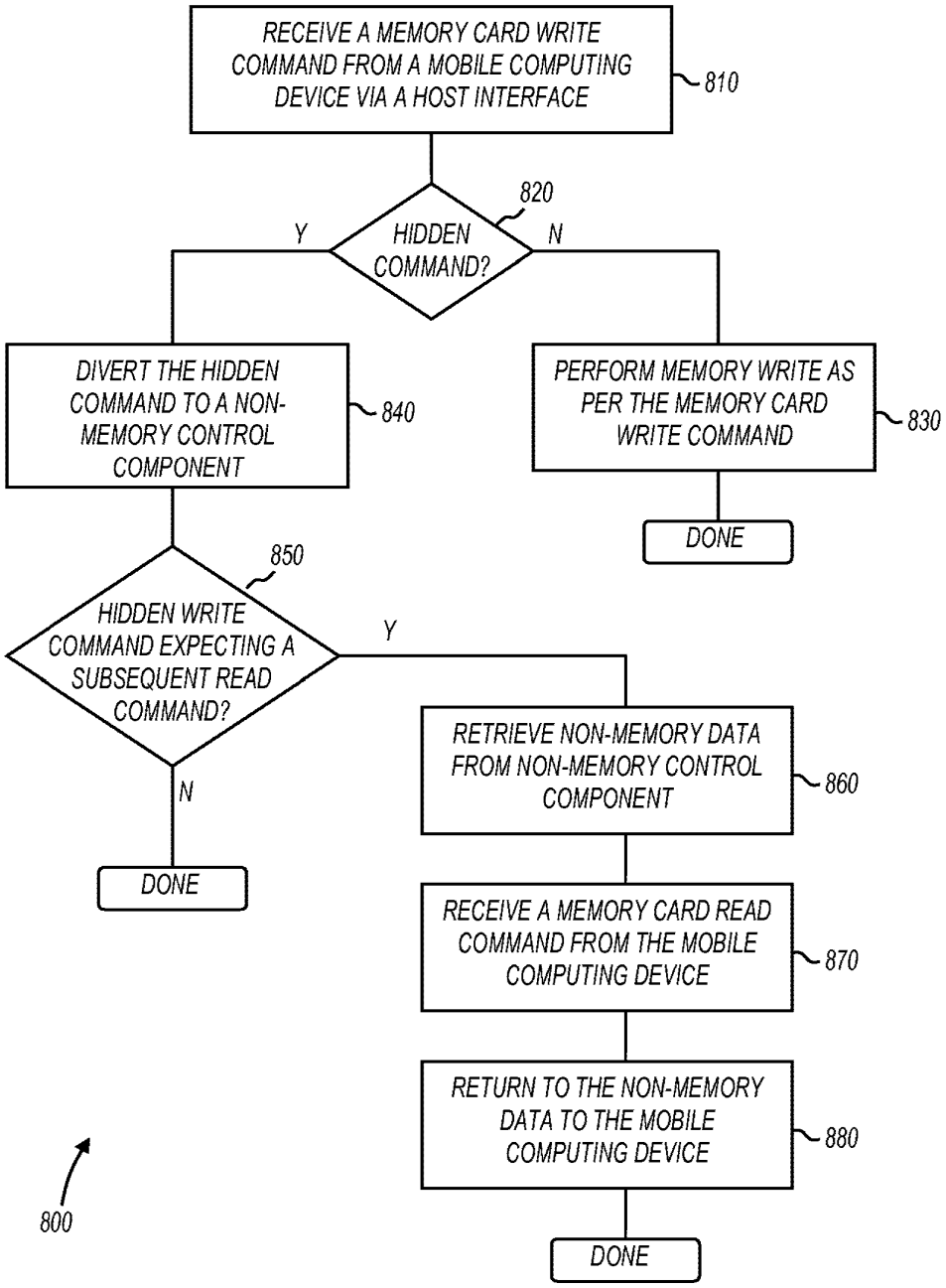

RECEIVE A MEMORY CARD WRITE COMMAND FROM A MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE VIA A HOST INTERFACE
810
820
HIDDEN COMMAND?
Y
N
DIVERT THE HIDDEN COMMAND TO A NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
840
PERFORM MEMORY WRITE AS PER THE MEMORY CARD WRITE COMMAND
830
DONE
850
HIDDEN WRITE COMMAND EXPECTING A SUBSEQUENT READ COMMAND?
Y
N
DONE
RETRIEVE NON-MEMORY DATA FROM NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
860
RECEIVE A MEMORY CARD READ COMMAND FROM THE MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE
870
RETURN TO THE NON-MEMORY DATA TO THE MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE
880
DONE
800

FIG. 8

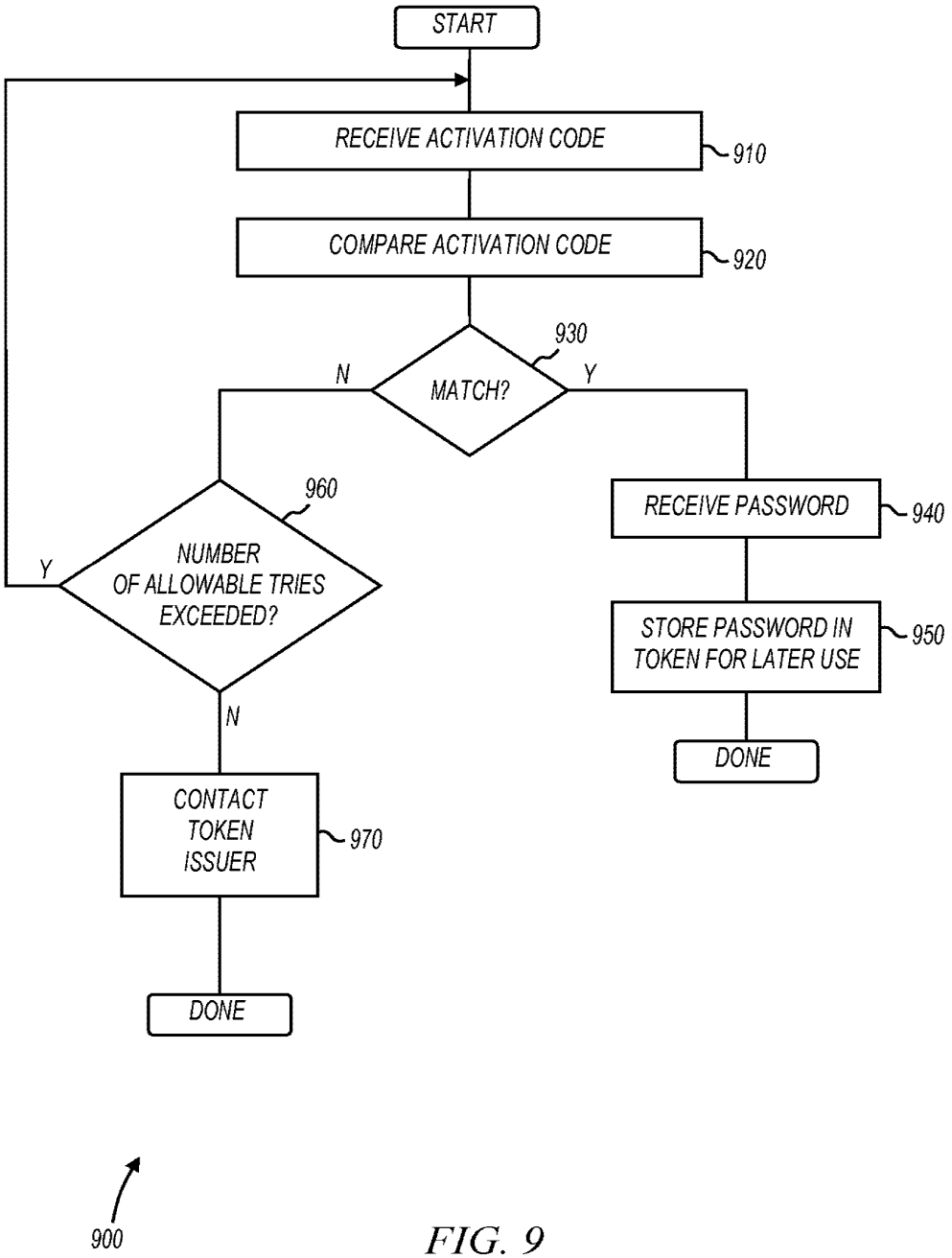

START
RECEIVE ACTIVATION CODE
910
COMPARE ACTIVATION CODE
920
930
MATCH?
N
Y
960
NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE TRIES EXCEEDED?
Y
N
RECEIVE PASSWORD
940
STORE PASSWORD IN TOKEN FOR LATER USE
950
DONE
CONTACT TOKEN ISSUER
970
DONE
900

FIG. 9

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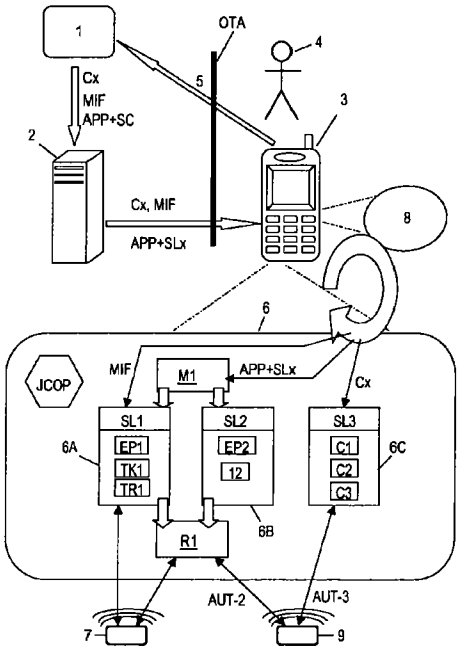


Fig. 4

(57) Abstract: A method for storing NFC applications (APP) in a secure memory device (6) having its own computational power, such as a smart card, preferably a SmartMX card, which secure memory device (6) comprises a first memory portion (6A) configured as an emulated MIFARE memory, offering a first security level (SLl), and a second memory portion (6B) accessible by means of authentication and optionally being encrypted, which second memory portion (6B) offers a second security level (SL2) which is higher than the first security level (SLl), wherein the method comprises analyzing whether the first or the second security level (SLl, SL2) is assigned to the NFC application (APP) and, depending on the results of this analysis, storing the NFC application (APP) either in the first memory portion (6A) by applying data write steps in compliance with the MIFARE standard or in the second memory portion (6B) by handling authentication routines necessary for gaining write access to said second memory portion (6B) and carrying out the write operation.

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Method for storing NFC applications in a secure memory device

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to a method for storing NFC applications in a secure memory device.

The invention further relates to a computer program product directly loadable into the memory of a secure memory device having its own computational power.

The invention further relates to a secure memory device with an arithmetic-logic unit and a memory.

The invention further relates to a mobile communication device, preferably an NFC mobile phone.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The MIFARE® classic family, developed by NXP Semiconductors is the pioneer and front runner in contactless smart card ICs operating in the 13.56 MHz frequency range with read/write capability. MIFARE® is a trademark of NXP Semiconductors. MIFARE complies with ISO14443 A, which is used in more than 80% of all contactless smart cards today. The technology is embodied in both cards and card reader devices. MIFARE cards are being used in an increasingly broad range of applications (including transport ticketing, access control, e-payment, road tolling, and loyalty applications). MIFARE Standard (or Classic) cards employ a proprietary high-level protocol with a proprietary security protocol for authentication and ciphering. MIFARE® technology has become a standard for memory devices with key-protected memory sectors. One example for a published product specification of MIFARE® technology is the data sheet "MIFARE® Standard Card IC MF1 IC S50 - Functional Specification" (1998) which is herein incorporated by reference. MIFARE® technology is also discussed in: Klaus Finkenzeller, "RFID Handbuch", HANSER, 4th edition (2006).

The MIFARE Classic cards are fundamentally just memory storage devices, where the memory is divided into sectors and blocks with simple security mechanisms for access control. Each device has a unique serial number. Anticollision is provided so that several cards in the field may be selected and operated in sequence.

The MIFARE Standard 1k offers about 768 bytes of data storage, split into 16 sectors with 4 blocks of 16 bytes each (one block consists of 16 bytes); each sector is protected by two different keys, called A and B. They can be programmed for operations like reading, writing, increasing value blocks, etc.. The last block of each sector is called "trailer", which contains two secret keys (A and B) and programmable access conditions for each block in this sector. In order to support multi-application with key hierarchy, an individual set of two keys (A and B) per sector (per application) is provided.

The memory organization of a MIFARE Standard 1k card is shown in Fig. 1. The 1024 X 8 bit EEPROM memory is organized in 16 sectors with 4 blocks of 16 bytes each. The first data block (block 0) of the first sector (sector 0) is the manufacturer block which is shown in detail in Fig. 2. It contains the serial number of the MIFARE card that has a length of four bytes (bytes 0 to 3), a check byte (byte 4) and eleven bytes of IC manufacturer data (bytes 5 to 15). The serial number is sometimes called MIFARE User IDentification (MUID) and is a unique number. Due to security and system requirements the manufacturer block is write protected after having been programmed by the IC manufacturer at production. However, the MIFARE specification allows to change the serial number during operation of the MIFARE card, which is particularly useful for MIFARE emulation cards like SmartMX cards.

SmartMX (Memory eXtension) is a family of smart cards that have been designed by NXP Semiconductors for high-security smart card applications requiring highly reliable solutions, with or without multiple interface options. Key applications are e-government, banking / finance, mobile communications and advanced public transportation.

The ability to run the MIFARE protocol concurrently with other contactless transmission protocols implemented by the User Operating System enables the combination of new services and existing applications based on MIFARE (e.g. ticketing) on a single Dual Interface controller based smart card. SmartMX cards are able to emulate MIFARE Classic devices and thereby makes this interface compatible with any installed MIFARE Classic infrastructure. The contactless interface can be used to communicate via any protocol, particularly the MIFARE protocol and self defined contactless transmission protocols. SmartMX enables the easy implementation of state-of-the-art operating systems and open platform solutions including JCOP (the Java Card Operating System) and offers an optimized feature set together with the highest levels of security. JCOP is an IBM® implementation of the Java Card 2.2.1 and Global Platform 2.1.1 basic specifications. JCOP handles different applications which are called applets, e.g. credit card applications. JCOP provides

authentication and encryption mechanisms. SmartMX incorporates a range of security features to counter measure side channel attacks like DPA, SPA etc.. A true anticollision method (acc. ISO/IEC 14443-3), enables multiple cards to be handled simultaneously.

It should be noted that the emulation of MIFARE Classic cards is not only restricted to SmartMX cards, but there may also exist other present or future smartcards being able to emulate MIFARE Classic cards.

Recently, mobile communication devices have been developed which contain smart cards like SmartMX cards. These mobile communication devices comprise e.g. mobile phones with Near Field Communication (NFC) capabilities, but are not limited to mobile phones.

In February 2007 the GSM Assocation (GSMA) published a white paper outlining operator community guidance for the eco-system parties involved in the development of Mobile NFC (Near Field Communication) services. Mobile NFC is defined as the combination of contactless services with mobile telephony, based on NFC technology. The mobile phone with a hardware-based secure identity token (the UICC) can provide the ideal environment for NFC applications. The UICC can replace the physical card thus optimising costs for the Service Provider, and offering users a more convenient service. Various different entities are involved in the Mobile NFC ecosystem. These are defined below:

- **Customer** – uses the mobile device for mobile communications and Mobile NFC services. The customer subscribes to an MNO and uses Mobile NFC services.
- **Mobile Network Operator (MNO)** – provides the full range mobile services to the Customer, particularly provides UICC and NFC terminals plus Over The Air (OTA) transport services.
- **Service Provider (SP)** – provides contactless services to the Customer (SPs are e.g. banks, public transport companies, loyalty programs owners etc.).
- **Trusted Service Manager (TSM)** – securely distributes and manages the Service Providers' services to the MNO customer base.

It should be mentioned that the Trusted Service Manager provides a single point of contact for the Service Providers to access their customer base through the MNOs and manage the secure download and life-cycle management of the Mobile NFC application on

behalf of the Service Providers. Depending on the national market needs and situations, the TSM can be managed by one MNO, a consortium of MNOs, or by independent Trusted Third Parties. The number of operating TSMs in one market will depend on the national market needs and circumstances.

NFC mobile phones equipped with smart cards such as SmartMX cards that comprise JCOP functionality and emulated MIFARE functionality are more and more used for ticketing, access controls, coupons, payment cards and so on. The main focus of these NFC mobile phones is the Over the Air (OTA) service provisioning of the above mentioned applications. Said applications are issued by service providers. When a service provider wants to install a new service (ticketing, access control and so on), he has two options:

- He uses the MIFARE part of the smart card which is an easy-to-access technology, but provides only a basic level of security.
- He uses the JCOP part which offers a high level of security but requires a high level of special knowledge to deal with.

Hence, there is still a need to provide easier yet very secure access to smart cards like SmartMX cards relieving the service provider from requiring special skills and knowledge about JCOP to use the very secure JCOP part of the smart cards.

OBJECT AND SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It is an object of the invention to provide a method of the type defined in the opening paragraph and a device of the type defined in the second paragraph, in which the disadvantages defined above are avoided.

In order to achieve the object defined above, with a method according to the invention characteristic features are provided so that a method according to the invention can be characterized in the way defined below, that is:

A method for storing NFC applications in a secure memory device having its own computational power, such as a smart card, preferably a SmartMX card, which secure memory device comprises a first memory portion configured as an emulated MIFARE memory, offering a first security level, and a second memory portion accessible by means of authentication and optionally being encrypted, which second memory portion offers a second security level which is higher than the first security level, wherein the method comprises analyzing whether the first or the second security level is assigned to the NFC application and, depending on the results of this analysis, storing the NFC application either in the first memory portion by applying data write steps in compliance with the MIFARE standard or in

the second memory portion by handling authentication routines necessary for gaining write access to said second memory portion and carrying out the write operation.

In order to achieve the object defined above, with a computer program product according to the invention characteristic features are provided so that a computer program product according to the invention is directly loadable into the memory of a secure memory device having its own computational power, comprising software code portions for performing the steps of a method according to the invention, when said product is run on the secure memory device.

In order to achieve the object defined above, a secure memory device according to the invention comprises an arithmetic-logic unit and a memory and processes the computer program product according to the above paragraph.

In order to achieve the object defined above a mobile communication device, preferably an NFC mobile phone is provided being equipped with a secure memory device according to the above paragraph.

The characteristic features according to the invention provide the advantage that a user who wants to make use of the various different security levels provided in the secure memory device does not need to have specific knowledge of how to gain access to the different memory portions. This is particularly important when the secure memory device is operated under a highly sophisticated operating system like JCOP.

The aspects defined above and further aspects of the invention are apparent from the exemplary embodiment to be described hereinafter and are explained with reference to this exemplary embodiment.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The invention will be described in more detail hereinafter with reference to an exemplary embodiment. However, the invention is not limited to this exemplary embodiment.

Fig. 1 shows the memory organization of a MIFARE Standard 1k EEPROM.

Fig. 2 shows the manufacturer block of a MIFARE memory.

Fig. 3 shows the sector trailer of a sector of MIFARE memory.

Fig. 4 shows a schematic diagram of a telecommunication system including a mobile communication device with a smart card configured as a SmartMX card.

DESCRIPTION OF EMBODIMENTS

Fig. 4 shows a schematic diagram of a telecommunication system in accordance with the above referenced white book of the GSM Association (GSMA) about an eco-system for Mobile NFC (Near Field Communication) services. The telecommunication system comprises a service provider 1, a trusted service manager 2 and a mobile communication device 3. It should be observed that the numbers of service providers 1, trusted service managers 2 and mobile communication devices 3 are in no way limited. A user 4 of the mobile communication device 3 can electronically communicate (arrow 5) with the service provider 1 either by means of his mobile communication device 3 via the Over-the-Air (OTA) services provided by a mobile network operator, particularly via Short Message Service (SMS) services, and/or via a computer network. Communication between the user 4 and the service provider 1 comprises for instance ordering of NFC services like tickets etc.

The trusted service manager 2 communicates with the mobile communication device 3 via an Over-The-Air service of a mobile network operator, e.g. Short Message Service.

The service provider 1 communicates with the trusted service manager 2 via a computer network, such as the Internet, wherein the preferred data transmission protocol is HTTPS.

The mobile communication device 3 may e.g. be configured as a NFC mobile phone. The mobile communication device 3 comprises a processor (not shown in the drawing) for executing software being internally stored in the mobile communication device 3. The software comprises an operating system for carrying out and managing all functions of the mobile communication device 3.

The mobile communication device 3 is equipped with a secure memory device 6 with enhanced security features that comprises its own computational power and has multiple interface options. The secure memory device 6 is configured as a SmartMX smart card which comprises encryption coprocessors and a Java operating systems, particularly JCOP. The secure memory device 6 will be explained in more detail below. The mobile communication device 3 further comprises a trusted service client 8 which in the present embodiment of the invention is a software module being contained in the general software of the mobile communication device 3. The trusted service client 8 is controlled by the trusted service manager 2 and has the ability to manage NFC applications in the secure memory device 6. Managing NFC applications comprises installing, updating and de-installing NFC

applications. NFC applications are for instance tickets, coupons, access controls, e-purse functions, etc. which have to be handled with different levels of security.

According to the present invention, the secure memory device 6 provides different security levels for storing said NFC applications. Strictly speaking, the secure memory device 6 comprises a first memory portion 6A offering a first security level SL1. The secure memory device 6 further comprises a second memory portion 6B offering a second security level SL2 which is higher than the first security level SL1. Finally, the secure memory device 6 comprises a third memory portion 6C offering a third security level SL3 which is the highest one.

The first memory portion 6A of the secure memory device 6 is configured as an emulated MIFARE device. Access to its contents is granted by keys as has been explained in the introduction of this document. Data are written into the first memory portion 6A and read out from it according to the general MIFARE specifications. There is neither encryption nor authentication provided, but the advantage of this standard MIFARE configuration is that its access procedures can easily be handled. This first memory portion 6A is particularly useful for storing NFC applications that do not represent very high monetary values, such as a ticket TK1, a transport pass TR1, or an e-purse EP1 that represents a monetary value of less than e.g. 100 €. MIFARE applications MIF are e.g. issued by the service provider 1 and are transmitted to the trusted service manager 2. The trusted service manager 2 transmits the MIFARE application MIF via the over the air Interface (OTA) of a mobile network operator to the trusted service client 8 in the mobile communication device 3. The trusted service client 8 manages installation of the MIFARE applications MIF in the first memory portion 6A of the secure memory device 6.The contents of the first memory portion 6A of the secure memory device 6 can be read by standard MIFARE readers 7.

The configuration of the third memory portion 6C of the secure memory device 6 is based on a Java operating system, particularly JCOP, and offers highest security by providing authentication, symmetric and asymmetric encryption features. However, these features can only be used by means of so-called CARDlets which are specifically customer-tailored software modules and are based on the JCOP operating system. Consequently, any party intending to make use of these features must have an in depth knowledge of both JCOP and CARDlet programming. For instance, if a service provider 1, e.g. a ticket provider, wants to send a ticket to be stored in the third memory portion 6C of the secure memory device 6, he cannot simply transfer the ticket itself to the secure memory device 6, but he has to send a specific CARDlet C1 with its own ticket management inside in order to cope with the

specific security features of the third memory portion 6C. The service provider 1 himself has to develop this specific CARDlet C1. Due to the complexity of CARDlet programming, the third memory portion 6C is mainly used by credit card providers who have the manpower and resources for developing their customer-tailored credit card application CARDlets C2, C3. Generally, customer tailored CARDlets Cx are sent from an issuing service provider 1 to the trusted service manager 2. The trusted service manager 2 transmits the customer tailored CARDlets Cx via the over the air interface (OTA) of a mobile network operator to the trusted service client 8 in the mobile communication device 3. The trusted service client 8 installs the CARDlets Cx in the third memory portion 6C of the secure memory device 6. It should be noticed, that the described configuration of the third memory portion 6C is already state of the art and there are readers 9 existing being adapted to read the contents of the third memory portion 6C of the secure memory device 6. The readers 9 have to be programmed for carrying out authentication handling procedures AUT-3.

According to the present invention, the configuration of the second memory portion 6B of the secure memory device 6 is such that it also offers highest security by providing authentication, symmetric and asymmetric encryption features. These features are also based on a Java operating system, particularly JCOP. However, in contrast to the configuration of the third memory portion 6C, a user gets access to all these security features without the necessity for having specific knowledge about JCOP and CARDlet programming. Rather, according to the present invention there is a specific management CARDlet M1 provided in the secure memory device 6 that manages all installation routines and deals with the particulars of high-level security. This means that according to the present invention a service provider 1 who wants to send an NFC application APP to the secure memory device 6 only has to send this application APP together with a security criterion SC to the trusted service manager 2. It should be emphasized, that beyond knowing the security criterion SC the service provider 1 does not have to have knowledge of how to deal with the high-level security features like authentication, symmetric and asymmetric encryption, and particularly does not need to know anything about JCOP and CARDlet programming.

The security criterion SC is e.g. either a code for the desired security level SL1, SL2, SL3, or a specific value that can be checked by the trusted service manager 2 in respect of predefined conditions. For instance, the trusted service manager 2 checks incoming e-purse applications whether they have a monetary value of e.g. less than 100 €. If this condition is met, then the trusted service manager 2 will e.g. assign the security level SL1 to

this e-purse application, otherwise he will assign the higher security level SL2 to this e-purse application.

Next, the trusted service manager 2 transmits the NFC application APP together with the assigned security level SLx (x = 1 or 2) via the over the air interface OTA of a mobile network operator to the trusted service client 8 residing in the mobile communication device 3. The trusted service client 8 hands the NFC application APP together with the assigned security level SLx over to the specific management CARDlet M1 in the secure memory device 6. The specific management CARDlet M1 analyses which security level SLx is assigned to the NFC application APP.

If the first security level SL1 is assigned to the NFC application APP then the specific management CARDlet M1 will store the NFC application APP in the first memory portion 6A in accordance with the standard MIFARE specifications.

If the second security level SL2 is assigned to the NFC application APP then the specific management CARDlet M1 will handle all necessary encryption and/or authentication steps in order to get write access to the second memory portion 6B of the secure memory device 6 and will store the NFC application APP in the second memory portion 6B. It should be mentioned that the specific management CARDlet M1 has implemented all necessary information and procedures for handling encryption and/or authentication in respect of the second memory portion 6B, but has no information to access the third memory portion 6C of the secure memory device 6.

In order to enable MIFARE reader 7 or reader 9 which is adapted for carrying out authentication AUT-2, a specific reading CARDlet R1 is provided which has read access to both the first memory portion 6A and the second memory portion 6B, such that it retrieves MIFARE applications from the first memory portion 6A and transmits them to the MIFARE reader 7 and - provided that authentication with reader 9 was successful - retrieves NFC applications from the second memory portion 6B and transmits them to the reader 9.

It should be noted that the above-mentioned embodiments illustrate rather than limit the invention, and that those skilled in the art will be able to design many alternative embodiments without departing from the scope of the appended claims. In the claims, any reference signs placed between parentheses shall not be construed as limiting the claim. The word "comprising" does not exclude the presence of elements or steps other than those listed in a claim. The indefinite article "a" or "an" preceding an element does not exclude the presence of a plurality of such elements. In the device claim enumerating several means, several of these means may be embodied by one and the same item of hardware. The mere

fact that certain measures are recited in mutually different dependent claims does not indicate that a combination of these measures cannot be used to advantage.

CLAIMS:

1. A method for storing NFC applications (APP) in a secure memory device (6) having its own computational power, such as a smart card, preferably a SmartMX card, which secure memory device (6) comprises a first memory portion (6A) configured as an emulated MIFARE memory, offering a first security level (SL1), and a second memory portion (6B) accessible by means of authentication and optionally being encrypted, which second memory portion (6B) offers a second security level (SL2) which is higher than the first security level (SL1), wherein the method comprises analyzing whether the first or the second security level (SL1, SL2) is assigned to the NFC application (APP) and, depending on the results of this analysis, storing the NFC application (APP) either in the first memory portion (6A) by applying data write steps in compliance with the MIFARE standard or in the second memory portion (6B) by handling authentication routines necessary for gaining write access to said second memory portion (6B) and carrying out the write operation.

2. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the secure memory device (6) is operated by means of a Java operating system, preferably JCOP.

3. A computer program product being directly loadable into the memory of a secure memory device (6) having its own computational power, comprising software code portions for performing the steps of a method according to claim 1 or 2, when said product is run on the secure memory device (6).

4. A computer program product as claimed in claim 3, wherein the computer program product is stored on a computer readable medium or is downloadable via a data connection from a remote server.

5. A computer program product as claimed in claim 3, being designed to run under a Java operating system, particularly JCOP.

6. A secure memory device (6) with an arithmetic-logic unit and a memory, wherein the secure memory device (6) is adapted to process the computer program product as claimed in claim 3.

7. The secure memory device (6) as claimed in claim 6, being configured as a smart card, preferably a SmartMX card.

8. A mobile communication device (3) comprising the secure memory device (6) as claimed in claim 7.

9. The mobile communication device (3) as claimed in claim 8, being configured as an NFC mobile phone.

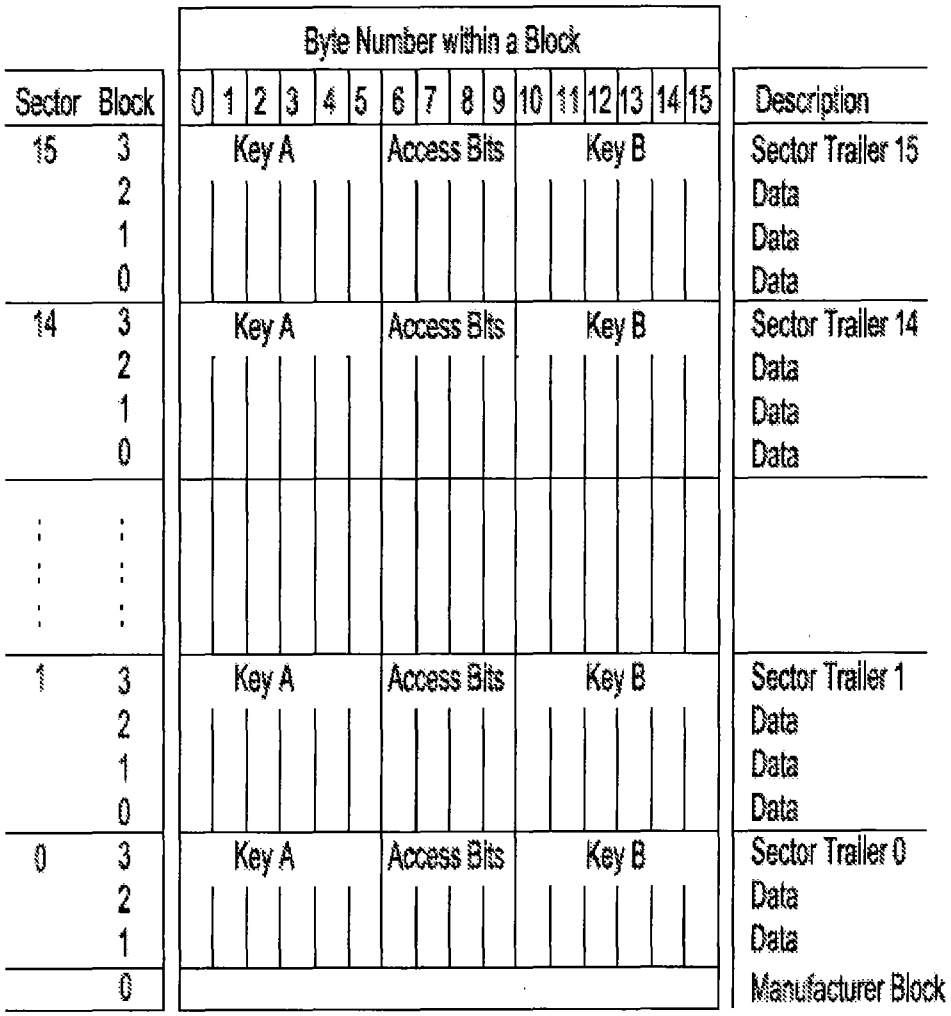


Fig. 1

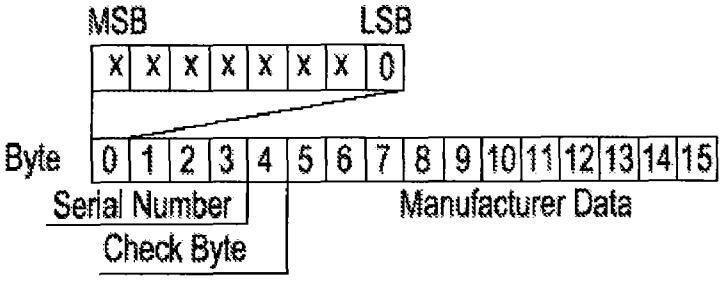


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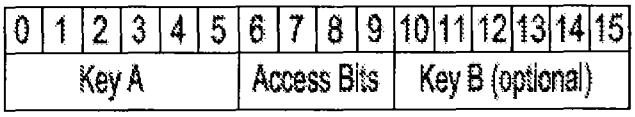


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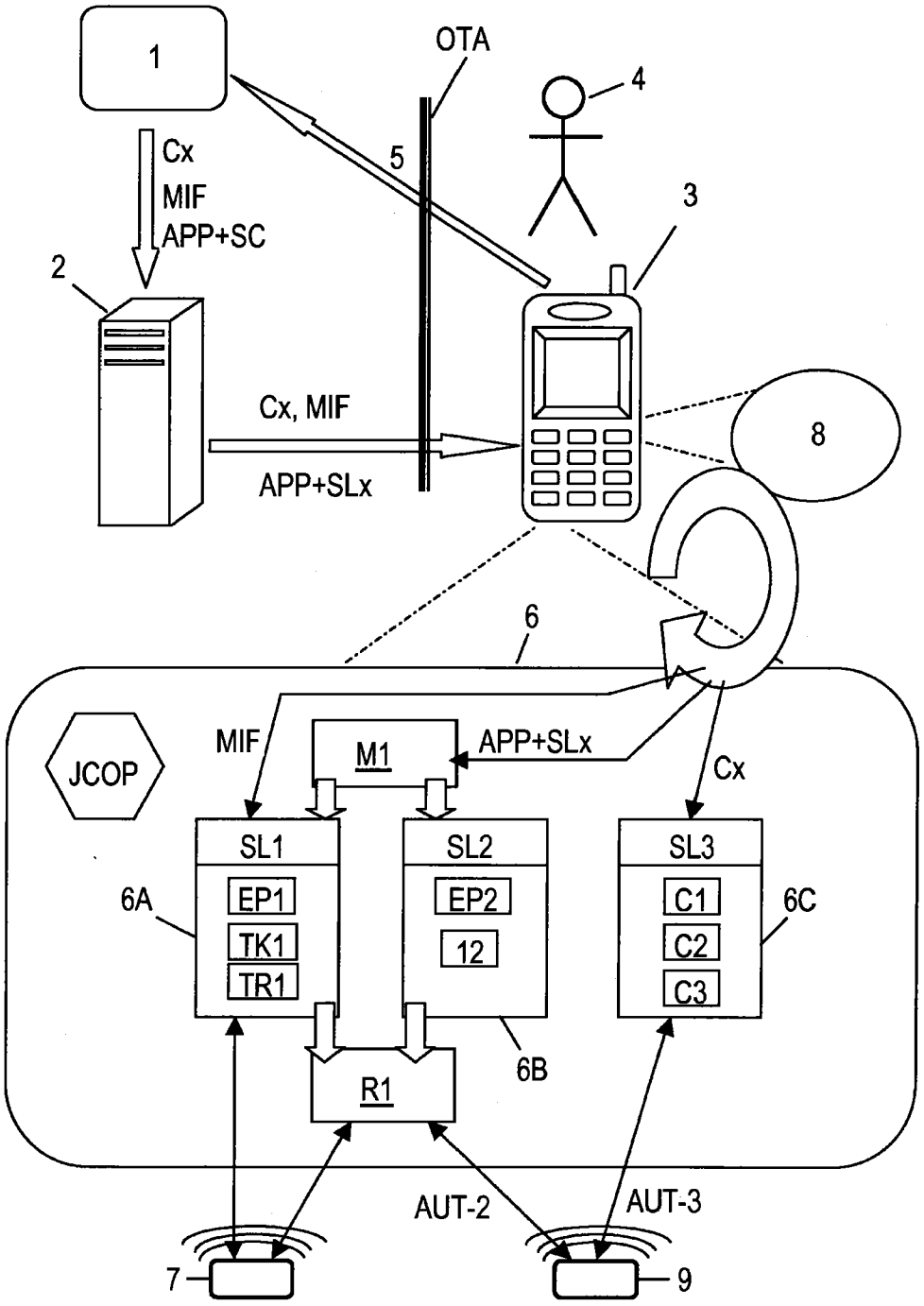

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - The method involves analyzing whether security level (SL1, SL2) offered by memory portions (6A, 6B) of a secure memory device (6) e.g. smart card, is assigned to the near field communication (NFC) applications, and storing the NFC application in the memory portion (6A) by applying data write steps in compliance with MIFARE standard or in the memory portion (6B) by handling authentication routines necessary for gaining write access to the memory portion (6B) and carrying out the write operation depending on the results of the analysis.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(1) a computer program product comprising a set of

instructions to perform a method for storing near field communication applications in a secure memory device

(2) a secure memory device comprising an arithmetic-logic unit and a memory.

USE - Method for storing near field communication applications in a secure memory device e.g. smart card such as a SmartMX(RTM: Microprocessor based card) card, in a mobile communication device i.e. near field communication mobile phone (all claimed), in a telecommunication system. Uses include but are not limited to a transport ticketing application, access control application, electronic-payment application, road tolling application, loyalty application, electronic government application, banking/ finance application, mobile communication and advanced public transportation application.

ADVANTAGE - The method enables utilization of the MIFARE part of the secure memory device that provides an easy-to-access technology and Java(RTM: Object-oriented programming language) card operating system (JCOP) part that offers a high level of security, thus providing easier and very secure access to secure memory device so as to relieve the service provider from requiring special skills and knowledge about JCOP to use the very secure JCOP part of the secure memory device so as to make use of the different security levels provided in the secure memory device. The method enables storing near field communication (NFC) applications in the secure memory device in the mobile communication device with a hardware-based secure identity token so as to provide the ideal environment for NFC applications, thus replacing the physical card, and hence optimizing costs for the service provider and offering users a more convenient service.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a schematic block diagram of a telecommunication system including a mobile communication device with a smart card configured as a SmartMX card.

Security levels (SL1,SL2)

Service provider (1)

Trusted service manager (2)

Mobile communication device (3)

Secure memory device (6)

Memory portions (6A, 6B)

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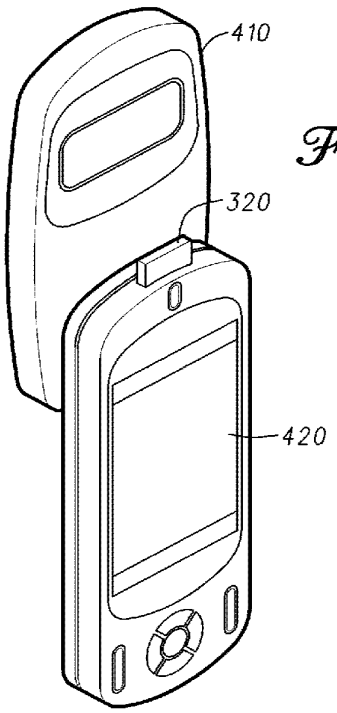


Fig. 4

(57) Abstract: A contactless device includes a miniaturized antenna. The antenna includes an inductive coupling element that presents a field coupling surface area to couple to a magnetic field. The inductive element may be made of layers where conductive loops are formed parallel to the layers or perpendicular to the layers. When conductive loops are formed perpendicular to the layers, the effective field coupling surface area is increased. The inductive element is positioned on an outside edge of a memory card compatible device with the field coupling surface area perpendicular to the card.

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CONTACTLESS DEVICE WITH MINIATURIZED ANTENNA

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Field

The present invention relates generally to contactless devices, and more specifically to small contactless devices.

Background

Figures 1A, 1B, 2A and 2B show prior art. Figures 1A and 1B show antennas parallel to substrate. This is typical of credit cards that include contactless technology. Figures 2A and 2B show the prior art cards being held substantially parallel to the card reader in order to couple magnetic energy from the reader to the coil.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figures 1A, 1B, 2A, and 2B shows prior art contactless cards and their usage;

Figure 3 shows how the prior art antenna will affect usage of a memory card;

Figure 4 shows how the prior art antenna will affect usage of a memory card when inserted in a mobile device;

Figure 5 shows placement of a miniaturized antenna on a memory card;

Figure 6 shows orientation of a miniaturized antenna on a memory card;

Figure 7 shows orientation of a memory card with respect to a reader;

Figure 8 shows orientation of a mobile device with respect to a reader;

Figure 9 shows orientation of a miniaturized antenna with respect to a magnetic field emitted from a reader;

Figure 10 shows transformer design;

Figure 11 shows a flowchart of methods in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention;

Figures 12-14 show miniaturized antennas;

Figure 15 shows dimensions of inductive coils;

Figure 16 shows a flowchart of methods in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention;

Figures 17 and 18 show inductive element layers in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention;

Figure 19 shows layers in an inductive element; and

Figures 20-23 show cross sections of inductive elements in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention.

Description of Embodiments

In the following detailed description, reference is made to the accompanying drawings that show, by way of illustration, various embodiments of an invention. These embodiments are described in sufficient detail to enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention. It is to be understood that the various embodiments of the invention, although different, are not necessarily mutually exclusive. For example, a particular feature, structure, or characteristic described in connection with one embodiment may be implemented within other embodiments without departing from the scope of the invention. In addition, it is to be understood that the location or arrangement of individual elements within each disclosed embodiment may be modified without departing from the scope of the invention. The following detailed description is, therefore, not to be taken in a limiting sense, and the scope of the present invention is defined only by the appended claims, appropriately interpreted, along with the full range of equivalents to which the claims are entitled.

In the drawings, like numerals refer to the same or similar functionality throughout the several views.

Figure 3 shows how the prior art antenna will affect usage of a memory card. If a memory card 320 has a loop antenna wound parallel to the substrate, then the card will be held parallel to the reader 310 as shown.

Figure 4 shows how the prior art antenna will affect usage of a memory card when inserted in a mobile device. The field is flowing perpendicular to the reader 410. If the memory card 320 has a loop antenna wound parallel to the substrate, the mobile device 420 will be held parallel to the reader 410 as shown in Figure 4. For consumer convenience, the memory card is usually not taken out of the mobile device 420. If the mobile device 420 is held as in Figure 4, the system may not work because there are other metal regions between the memory card antenna and the reader 410. These other metal regions could be because of the memory card's holder inside the mobile device as well as the mobile device's printed circuit board (PCB) metal routing and components/solder. Accordingly, the field from the reader 410 may not reach the antenna's conducting metal since it may be absorbed by other metal regions.

Figure 5 shows placement of a miniaturized antenna on a memory card. Memory card 500 is shown with RFID tag 520, RFID antenna 540, memory 530, and various other components. The miniaturized antenna 540 is formed from an inductive device with at least one coil. The inductive device is positioned at the outer edge of the memory card 500 as shown. The memory card 500 may be any form factor including secure digital (SD), mini-SD, micro-SD, or the like.

To allow for capturing the field from the reader that is flowing perpendicular to the reader, the miniaturized antenna 540 is placed at the very edge of the memory card 500 so it is near the outer edge of the memory card slot when inserted in a mobile device.

Various embodiments of the present invention provide for manufacturing an inductive coil that is small enough to be placed at the outer edge, and placement and

orientation of the coil that allows for the field from the reader to flow into the antenna.

Figure 6 shows orientation of a miniaturized antenna on a memory card. Miniaturized antenna 540 is a three dimensional (3D) inductive coil encased in a filler material 614. The inductive device is positioned at the outer edge of the memory card as shown. The orientation of antenna 540 is such that the field from 610 couples to the 3D inductive coil of the antenna. The memory card may be any form factor including secure digital (SD), mini-SD, micro-SD, or the like.

Figure 7 shows orientation of a memory card with respect to a reader. Memory card 500 includes a miniaturized antenna at the edge of the card. See Figures 5, 6. When the antenna is positioned on memory card 500 as shown in Figure 6, the memory card 500 can be positioned perpendicular to the reader 410 as shown in Figure 7.

Figure 8 shows orientation of a mobile device with respect to a reader. When the memory card 500 of Figure 7 is inserted in the mobile device 420 of Figure 8, then the mobile device 420 may be oriented as shown. This allows the magnetic field to enter the antenna at the edge of the memory card 500 without first having to penetrate the back of the mobile device.

Figure 9 shows orientation of a miniaturized antenna with respect to a magnetic field emitted from a reader. Reader 410 emits electromagnetic energy at a particular frequency such as 13.56 MHz. As described above, the miniaturized antenna includes an inductive coil 612. The coil 612 is designed to couple as much magnetic field from reader 410 as possible.

The reader coil and the inductive coil 612 can be viewed as two coils in a transformer. The reader coil is fixed, and so coil 612 is designed as a secondary coil of the transformer coupling to the field from the reader coil (primary coil). Maximizing coupling area of the inductive coil 612 will increase the coupling between the reader coil and the antenna coil.

Figure 10 shows transformer design. The reader (primary coil of the transformer) is shown modeled with inductor L1, series resistance RL1, series

capacitance C1S, and parallel capacitance C1P. The miniaturized antenna (secondary coil of the transformer) is shown modeled with inductor L2, series resistance RL2, and parallel capacitance C2.

Transformer coupling does not lend itself well to an exact design procedure because there are so many factors which influence the degree of coupling. The geometry of the coils, the spacing between them, the core materials used, and the shielding, all have a pronounced effect on the degree of coupling attained in any design. Decreasing the spacing between the primary and secondary coils increases the coupling. Increasing the permeability of the magnetic path increases the coupling. And shielding a transformer decreases its loaded Q and has the effect of increasing the coupling.

Figure 11 shows a flowchart of methods in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Flowchart 1100 discusses factors to consider when designing a secondary transformer coil for use as a miniaturized antenna. At 110, it is recognized that for effective coupling, the secondary transformer coil should be strongly coupled to the reader coil, resonant at substantially 13.56 MHz, and have a high Q, but not too high since it will limit bandwidth (BW).

At 1120, it is recognized that coupling depends strongly on surface area, while inductance depends strongly on number of turns. At 1130, it is recognized that for any given value of inductance, resonance can be achieved by adjusting the value of an external capacitor.

At 1140, the surface area is chosen to maximize coupling, the number of turns in the coil is chosen to define the inductance, and width/length of wire is chosen to increase Q.

Figures 12-14 show miniaturized antennas. Figures 12 and 13 show an inductive element suitable for use as a miniaturized antenna at an outer edge of a memory card. The side view is the direction that is exposed to the magnetic field when in use. Figure 12 defines "A" as the overall length, "B" as the overall height, and "C" as the overall depth. Figure 12 also defines "D" as the length of the conductive end regions that couple the coil to the memory card. Example

dimensions when used in an SD format are A=10.4mm, B=0.7mm, C=2mm, and D=0.5mm. These dimensions are provided as examples only, and the various embodiments of the invention are not so limited. For example, an inductive element for use in a micro-SD card will generally have smaller dimensions.

Figure 14 shows the magnetic field entering the side view of the inductive element. Figure 14 also defines the field coupling surface area 1410. When installed on a board, the field coupling surface area is substantially perpendicular to the board.

The mechanical structure of the antenna occupies the three dimensions of length A, height B, and depth C. The structure includes metal 1420 for forming the coil and a filling material 1430 to occupy the remaining volume. The filling material 1430 may be a composite of magnetic material or ceramic material. The metal winding for the 3D coil is made to occupy the perimeter tracing the length and height of the antenna to form its one turn. Additional turns are accomplished by repeating the perimeter tracing along the depth with ohmic connections between immediate turns to create a continuous rectangular coil like a rectangular spring.

The field coupling surface area 1410 is the surface area along the two dimensions that form the perimeter tracing. This area couples the field from an external source (such as reader 410) to the 3D antenna coil inducing voltage and current in the 3D antenna coil.

In some embodiments, antenna 540 is placed in the memory card 500 so that the length of the coil aligns with what will be the outer edge of the memory card when it is inserted into a host device. The inner edge of the memory card is where there will be the electrical connectors for the memory card bus to connect to the memory card slot.

In some embodiments, antenna 540 is oriented so that when the memory card is inserted in a host device the field coupling surface area 1410 is in parallel to the outer surface of the host device. This orientation will make the incident field from the external source predominately 90 degrees to the field coupling surface area. In combination with the placement this orientation will enable the field

coupling surface area to be closest to the outer surface of the host, thereby maximizing the induced voltage and current in the 3D coil due to an external field source.

Figure 15 shows dimensions of inductive coils. As shown in the top view a single antenna may include multiple coils in parallel. In the example of Figure 15, M=6 coils are included with each coil having N=5.5 turns, although M and N may take on any value. The conductor length is given by 2(Ai+Bi+2w)(N-0.5)+Ai, where Ai and Bi are the inner dimensions of the coil and w is the width of the conductor. As shown in the side view, the effective coupling surface area is increased when f and w are kept small to maximize Bi.

Figure 16 shows a flowchart of design process methods in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. At 1610, the manual winding and read distance measurements are provided. At 1620, the coupling surface area, the number of turns, and the width/length of wire are chosen. See Figure 11.

At 1630, the dimensions A, B, C, and D are given. These values are constrained by the form factor of the memory card. At 1632, Ai and Bi are maximized to maximize coupling. Referring now back to Figure 15, it is shown that the field coupling surface area is increased as Ai and Bi are increased.

At 1634, M is used to increase Q (decreasing the DC resistance) if possible. This corresponds to increasing the number M of parallel coils. See Figure 15. At 1636, N is chosen to arrive at the desired inductance, taking into account increased number of turns N will increase DC resistance and lower Q.

At 1638, the read distance is measured. The various parameters can be modified and the read distance measured in an iterative process. At 1650, the various parameters are finalized to arrive at a final design. The DC resistance, the inductance, the material, and the dimensions A, B, C, and D can be finalized. The external capacitor (see C2, Figure 10) on the printed circuit board can also be finalized given the inductance and the desired 13.56 MHz resonance.

Figures 17 and 18 show inductive element layers in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Layers include conductive materials and

insulating materials. Figure 17 shows a traditional method of forming a surface mount inductive element. Each layer includes a conductive loop, and the layers, when stacked, form multiple conductive loops. The minimum dimension w (Figure 15) is limited by process requirements. The inductor is mounted on the board on its "side" to expose the field coupling surface area at the outer edge of the card. In these embodiments, the layers are perpendicular to the board. Figure 18 shows an improved manufacturing method. Each layer forms only a portion of a conductive loop. For example, referring now to Figure 19, the bottom layer 1970 include traces with trace ends. Intermediate layers 1920, 1930, 1940, 1950, and 1960 include through-traces at locations to electrically contact the trace ends on the lower layer, and upper layer 1910 has at least one conductive surface trace aligned to electrically contact the conductive through-traces to form a conductive coil having at least one turn. The traces on layers 1910 and 1970 can be on either side of the substrate.

In some embodiments, the inductive elements include magnetic material such that a magnetic core is formed inside the conductive coil. Further, in some embodiments, the inductive elements include magnetic material outside the conductive coils.

Figures 20-23 show cross sections of inductive elements in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. Figures 21 and 23 show inductive elements that are made using layers in the same plane as the field coupling surface area. Figures 21 and 22 show inductive elements that are made using layers perpendicular to the field coupling surface area. Note that the width w of the traces is smaller in the Figures 21 and 22, thereby increasing the effective field coupling surface area. The effective field coupling surface area is further increased in Figures 22 and 23 by extending the conductive traces to the end of the device.

Although the present invention has been described in conjunction with certain embodiments, it is to be understood that modifications and variations may be resorted to without departing from the scope of the invention as those skilled in the art readily understand. Such modifications and variations are considered to be within the scope of the invention and the appended claims.

What is claimed is:

1. An inductive element comprising:

a bottom surface; and

a plurality of layers substantially parallel to the bottom surface, the plurality of layers including a combination of electrically conductive material and electrically insulating material such that when bonded together the plurality of layers form at least one conductive coil having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the bottom surface.

2. The inductive element of claim 1 further comprising bonding areas on the bottom surface.

3. The inductive element of claim 1 wherein the plurality of layers include magnetic material forming a magnetic core within the at least one conductive coil.

4. A multilayer inductive coupling element comprising:

a lower layer having at least one conductive surface trace with trace ends;

at least one intermediate layer having conductive through-traces at locations to electrically contact the trace ends on the lower layer; and

an upper layer having at least one conductive surface trace aligned to electrically contact the conductive through-traces to form a conductive coil having at least one turn.

5. The multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4 wherein the at least one intermediate layer comprises magnetic material positioned between the through-traces.

6. The multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4 wherein the lower layer includes magnetic material positioned beyond the trace ends.

7. The multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4 further comprising a bottom layer beneath the lower layer, the bottom layer including magnetic material to be positioned beneath the at least one conductive trace in the lower layer.

8. An electronic device comprising:

a circuit board with a memory card slot interface;

a contactless communications device affixed to the circuit board, the contactless communications device having an antenna port; and

an inductive element affixed to the circuit board and electrically coupled to the antenna port, the inductive element having a conductive coil with a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the circuit board.

9. The electronic device of claim 8 wherein the inductive element comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor.

10. The electronic device of claim 9 wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor is formed with layers substantially parallel to the circuit board.

11. The electronic device of claim 9 wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the circuit board.

12. The electronic device of claim 8 wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface.

13. The electronic device of claim 8 wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface.

14. The electronic device of claim 8 wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface.

15. An apparatus comprising:

a memory card compatible substrate having at least one surface, an inner edge, and an outer edge opposite the inner edge;

electrical contacts on the at least one surface and situated along the inner edge; and

a conductive coil situated along the outer edge, the conductive coil having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface.

16. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein:

the at least one surface includes a top surface and a bottom surface substantially parallel to each other; and

the electrical contacts are on the top surface, and the conductive coil is on the top surface.

17. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein:

the at least one surface includes a top surface and a bottom surface substantially parallel to each other; and

the electrical contacts are on the top surface, and the conductive coil is on the bottom surface.

18. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein the conductive coil comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor.

19. The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor is formed with layers substantially parallel to the at least one surface.

20. The apparatus of claim 18 wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface.

21. An apparatus comprising:

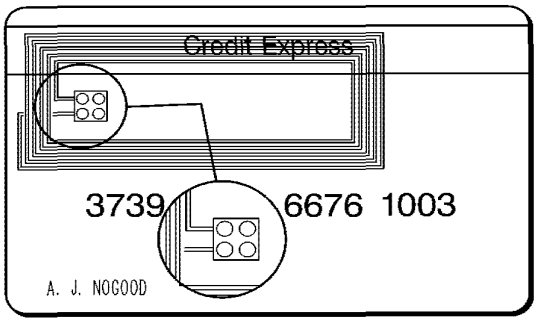
a memory card compatible substrate having at least one surface, an inner edge, and an outer edge opposite the inner edge;

electrical contacts on the at least one surface and situated along the inner edge; and

a three dimensional conductive coil situated along the outer edge.

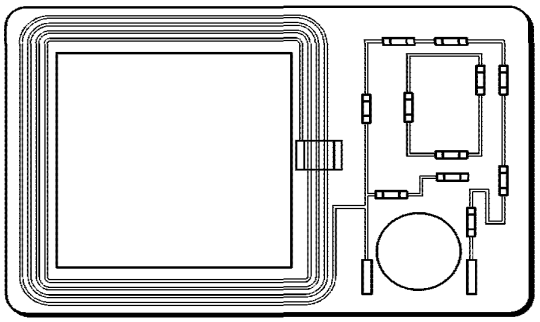
22. The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor.

23. The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the three dimensional conductive coil has a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface of the memory card.



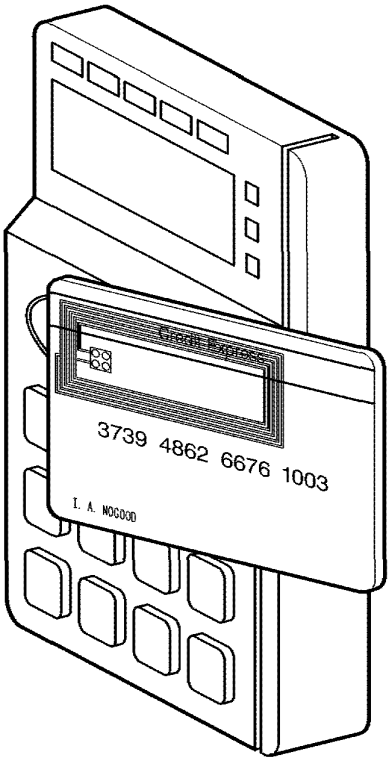
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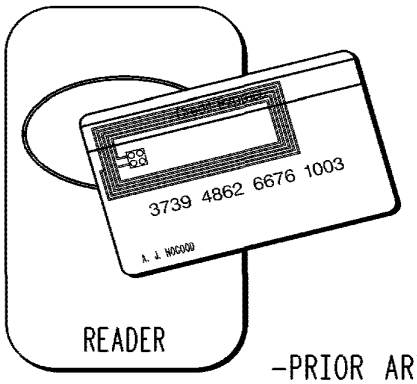
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Fig. 1B



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Fig. 2A



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Fig. 2B

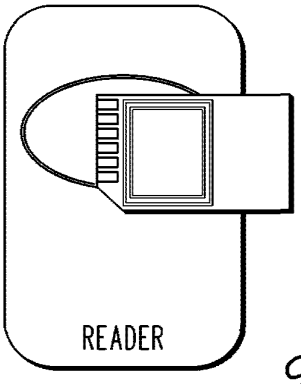


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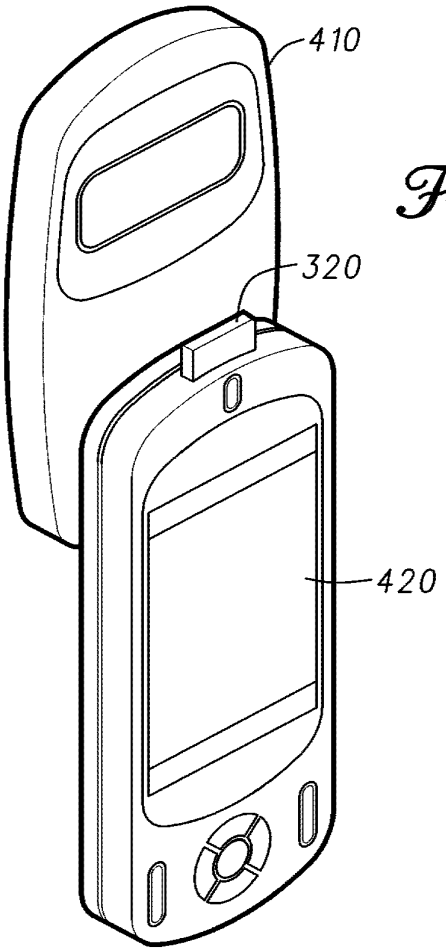


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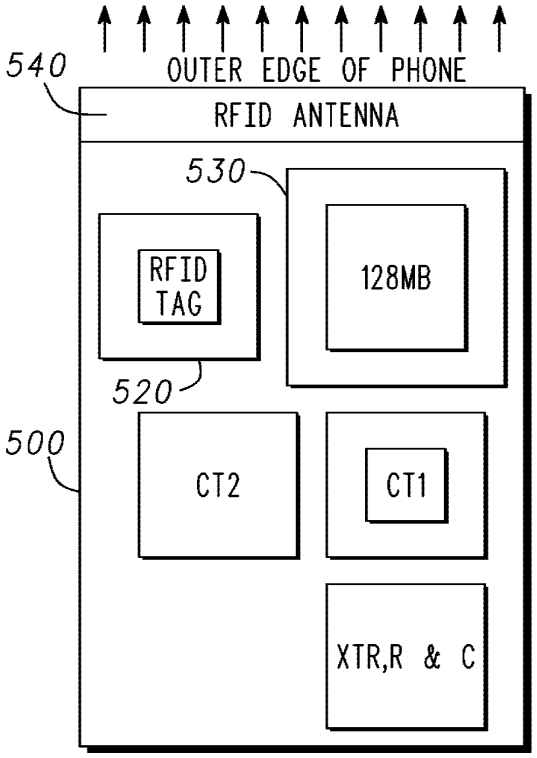


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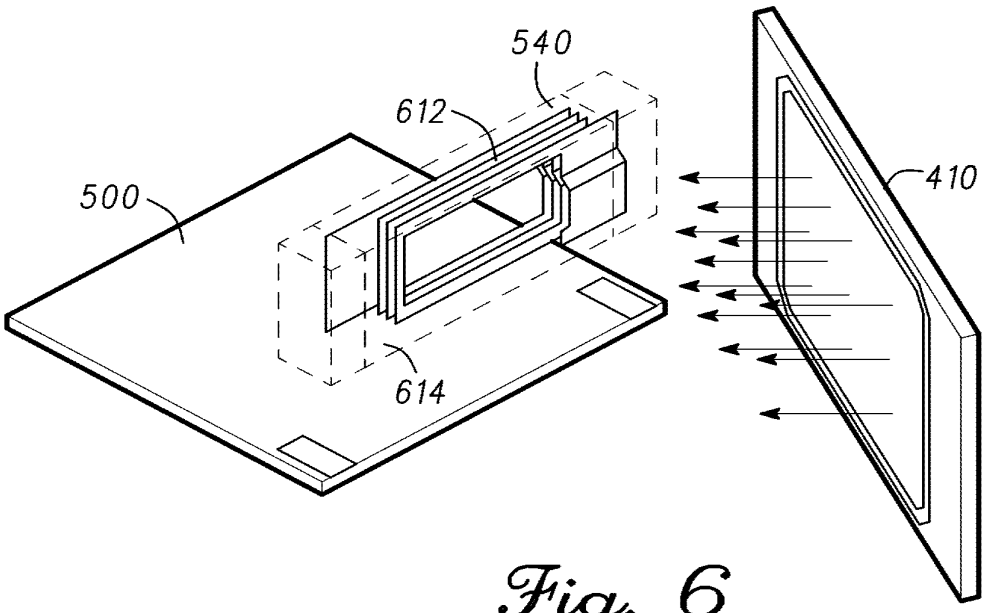


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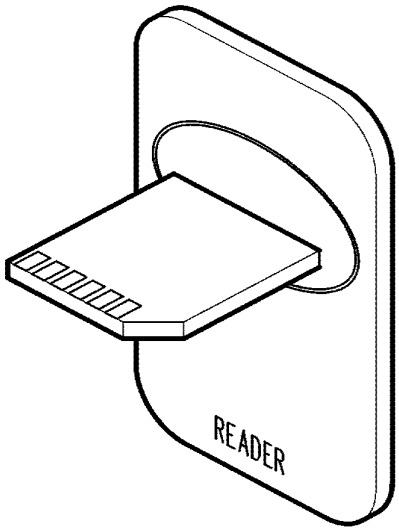


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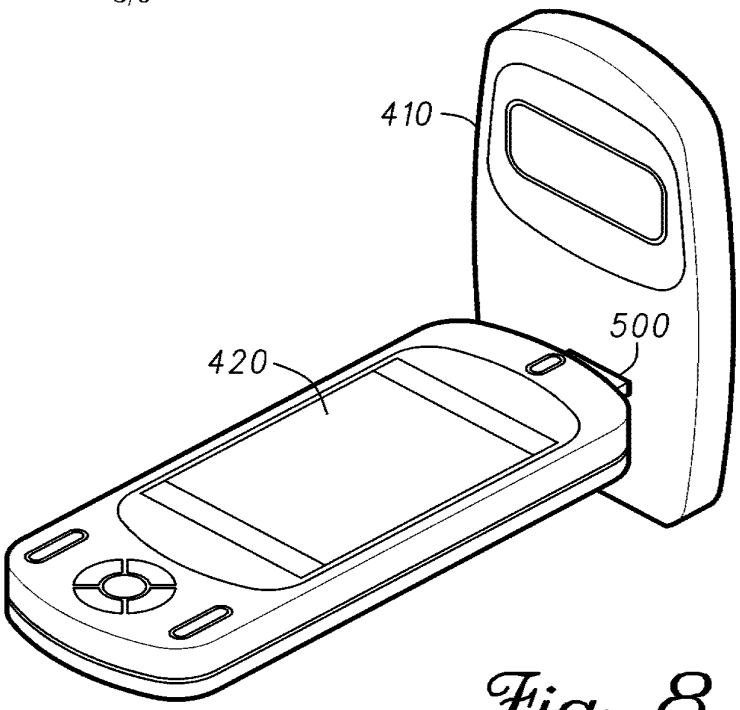


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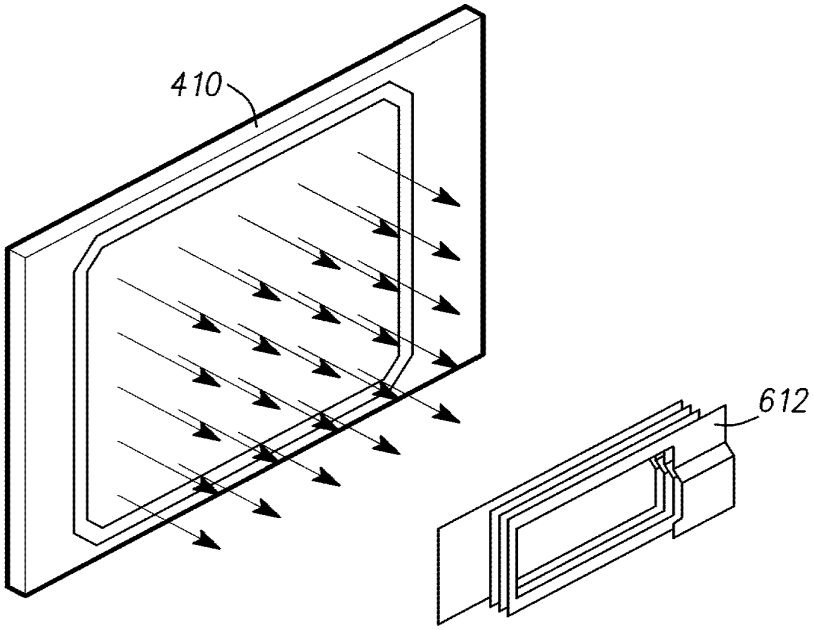


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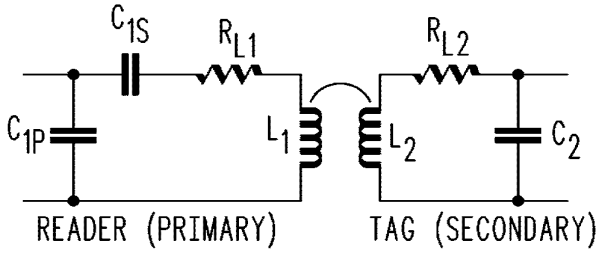


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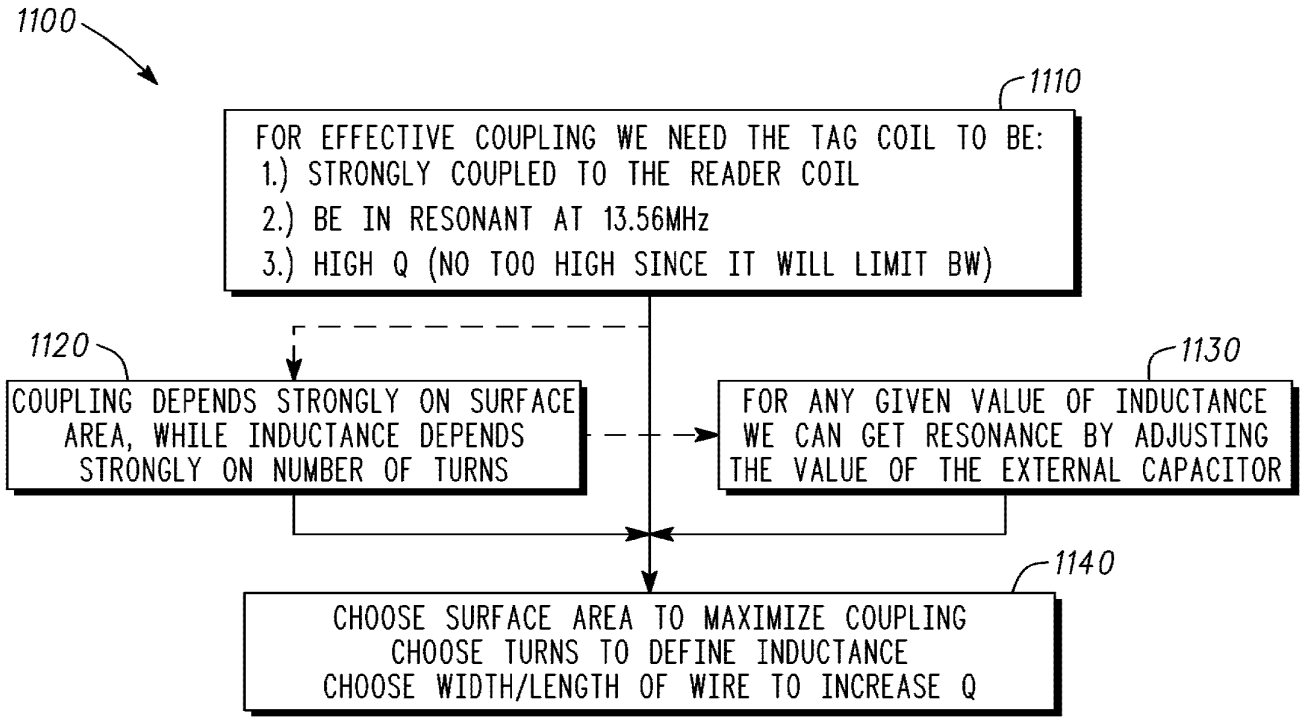


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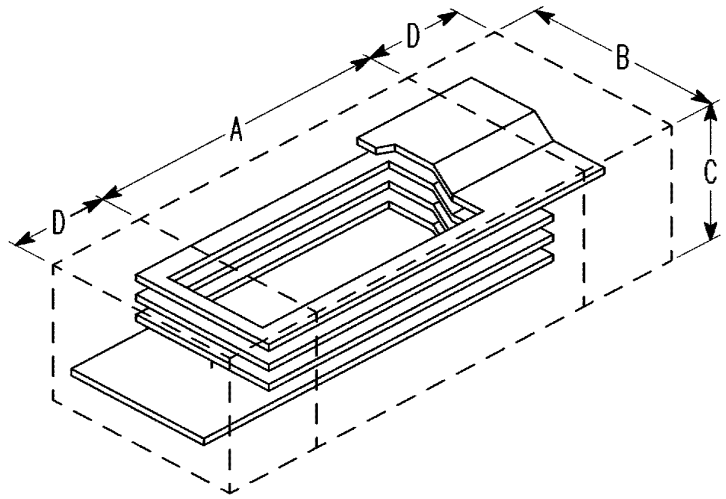


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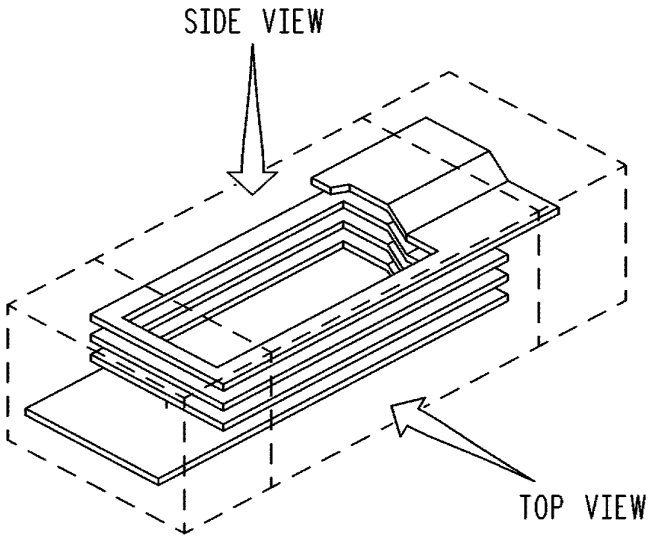


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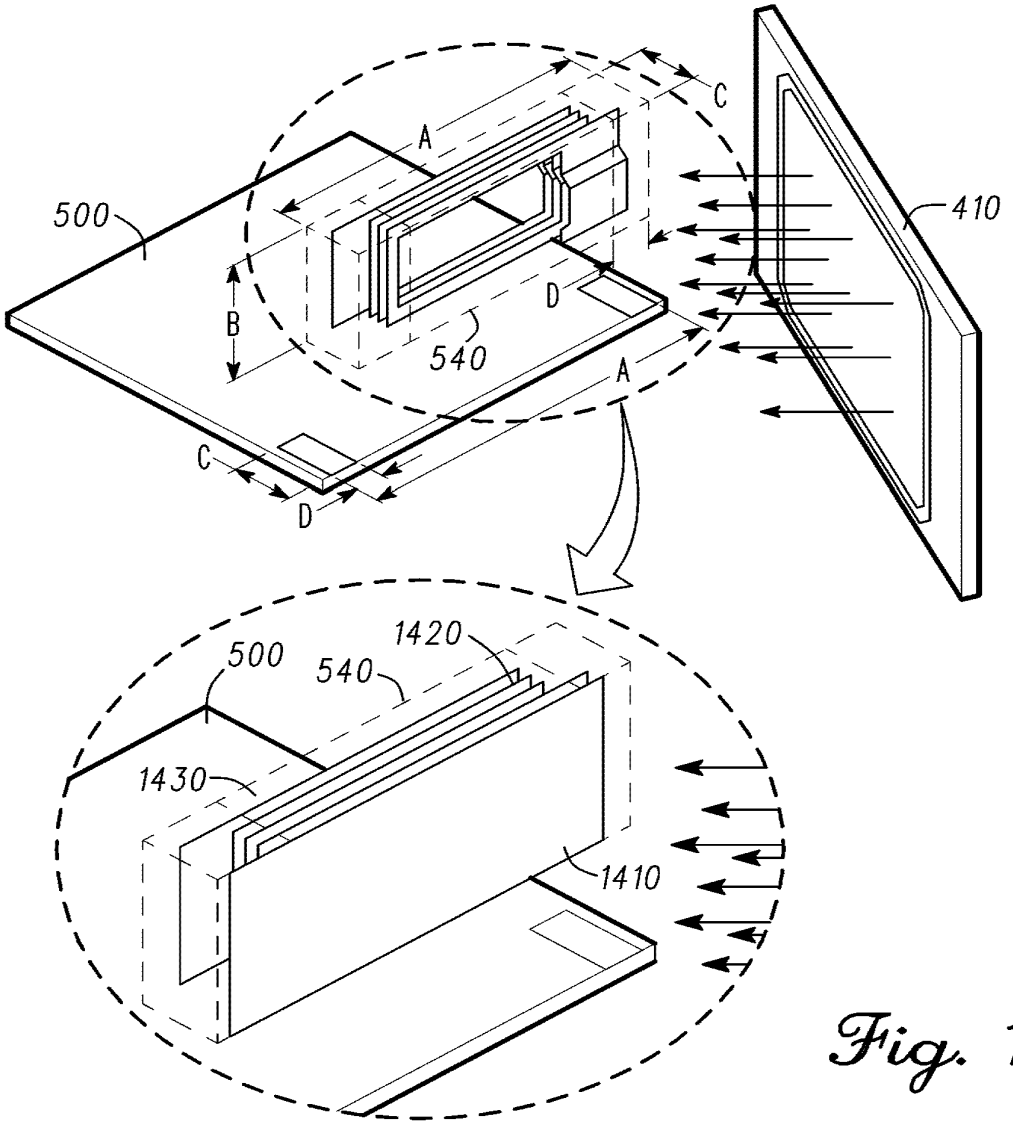


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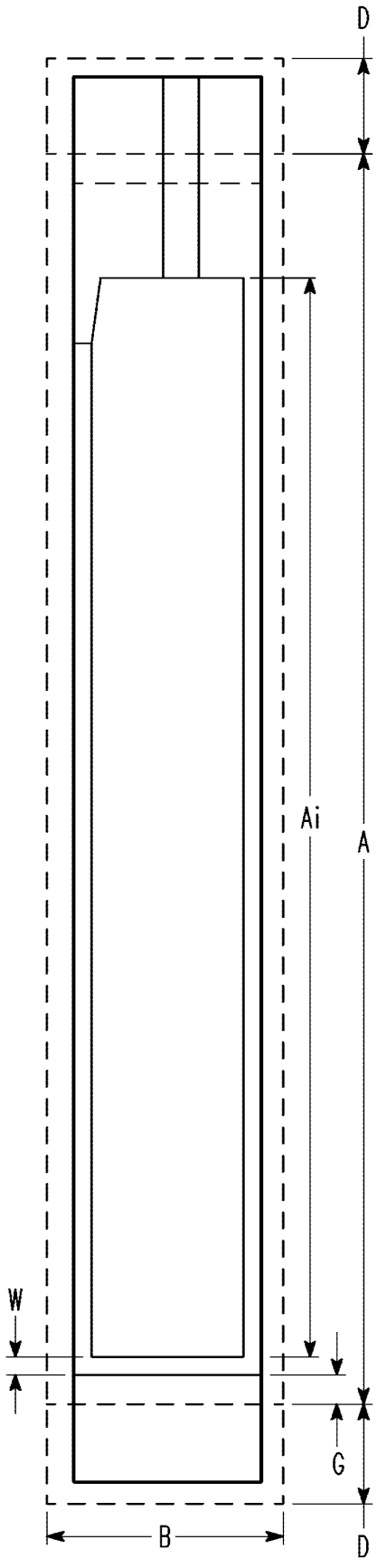


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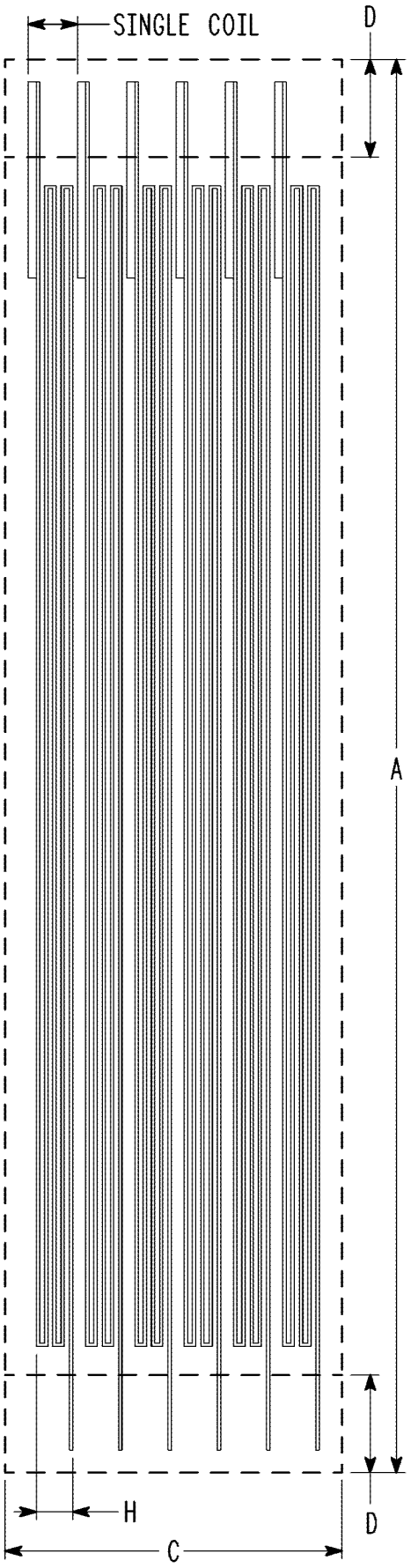


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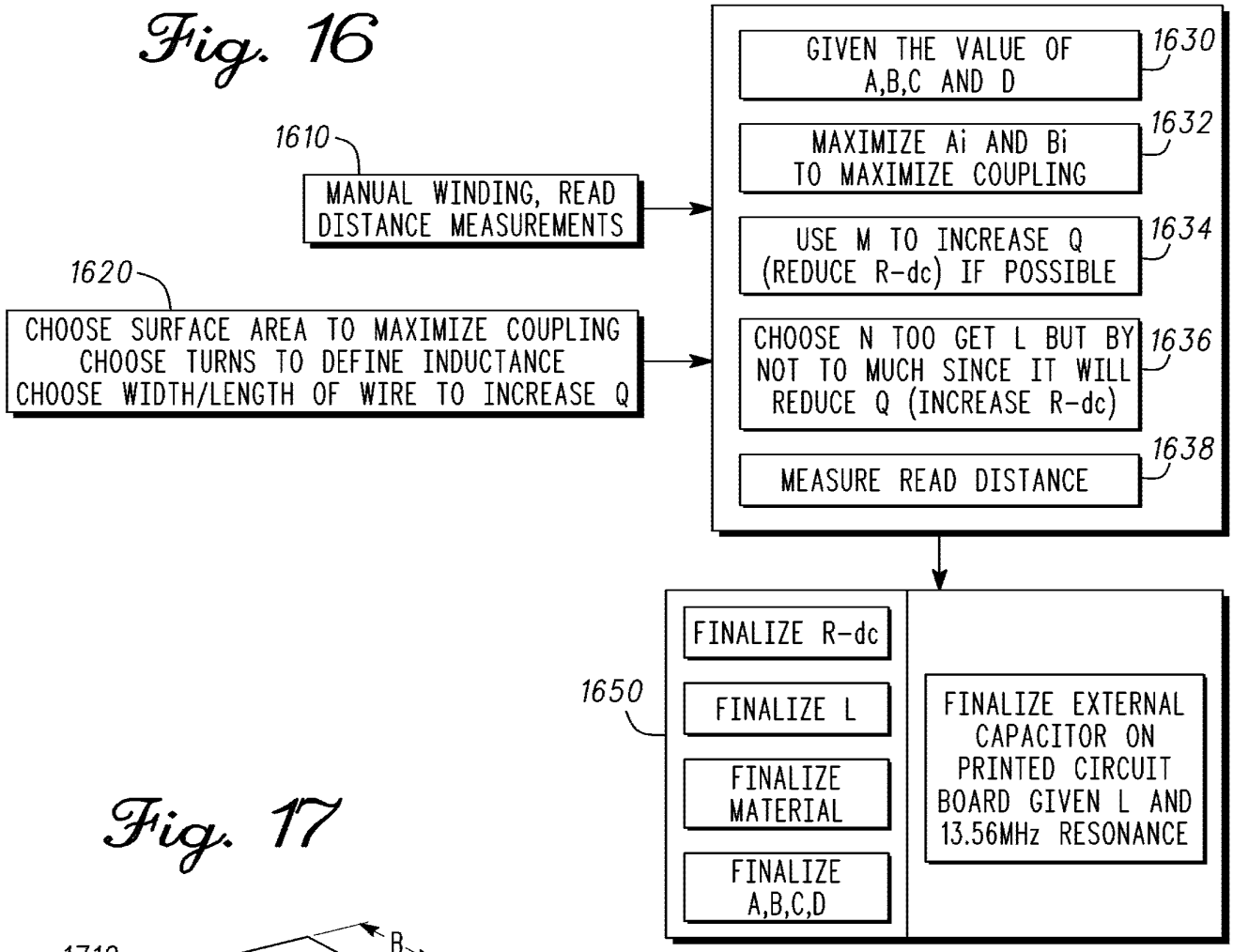
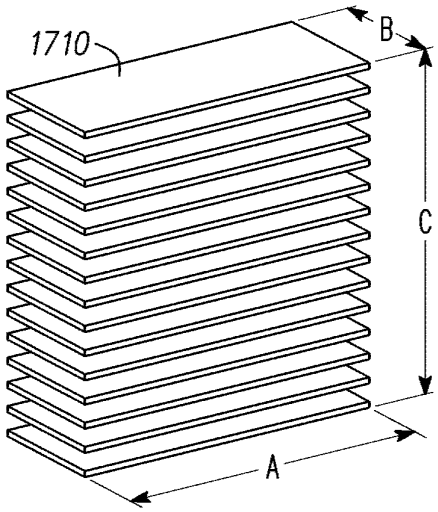


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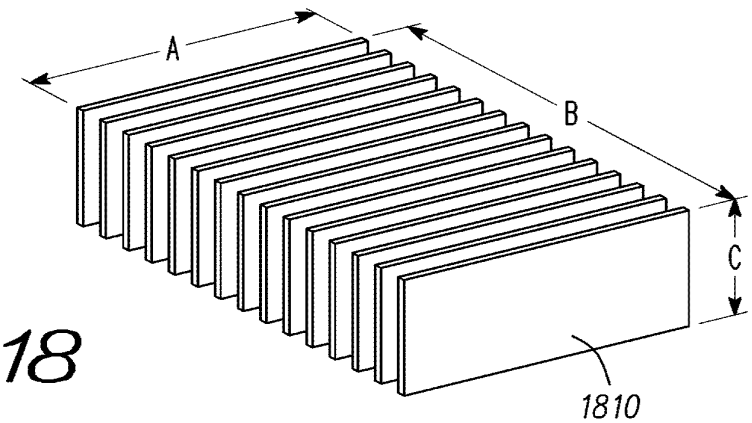


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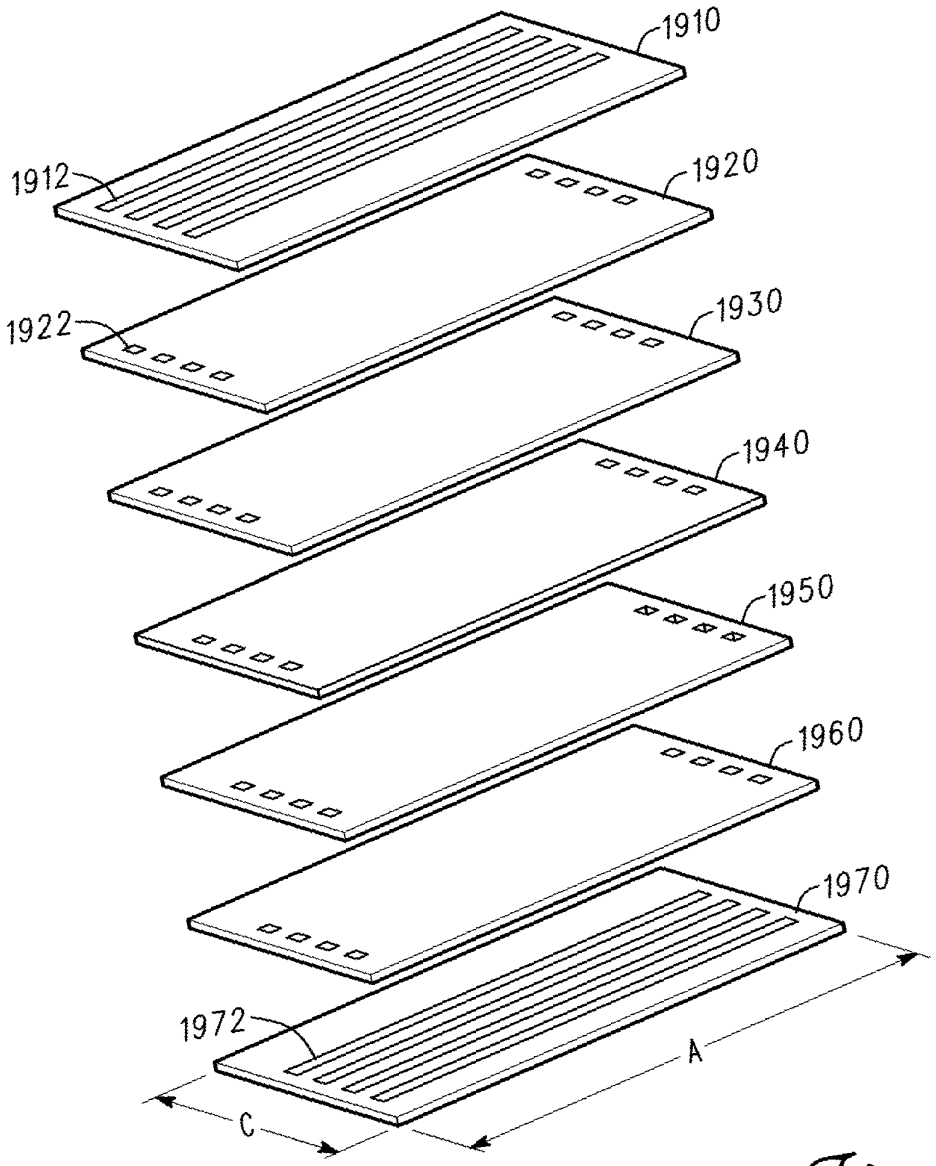


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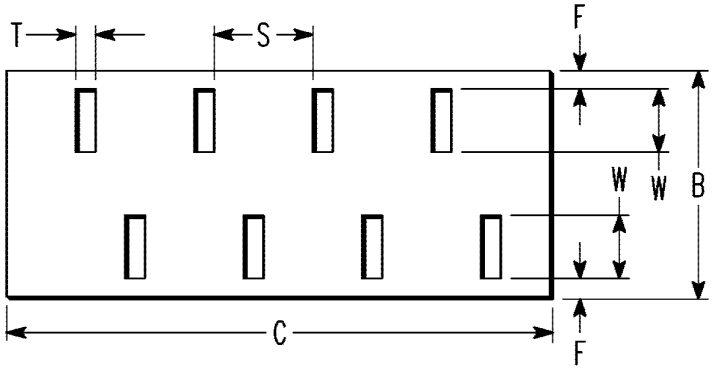


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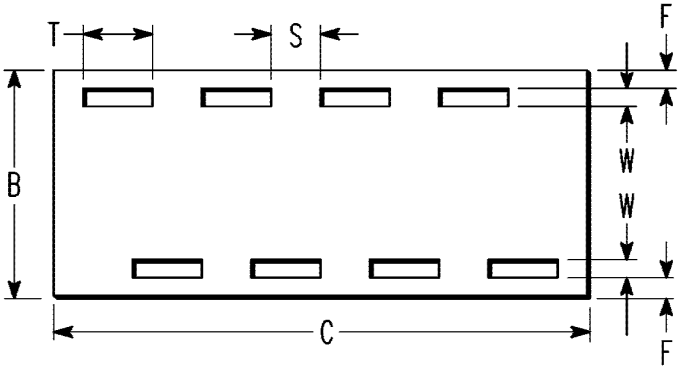


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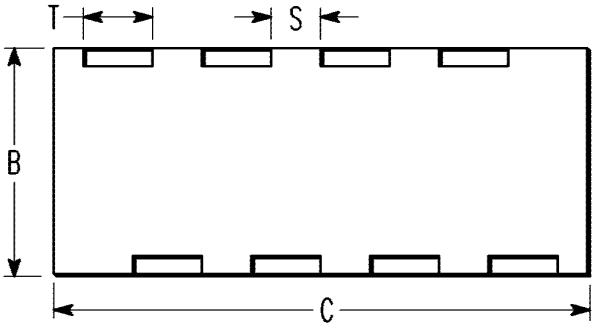


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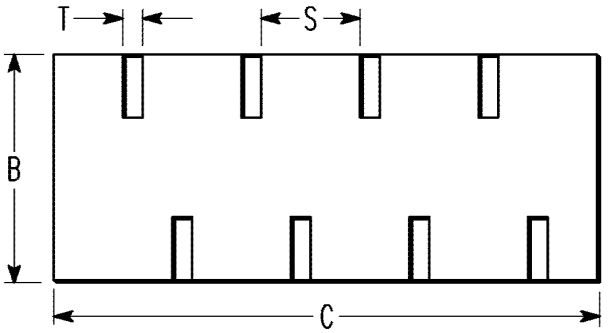


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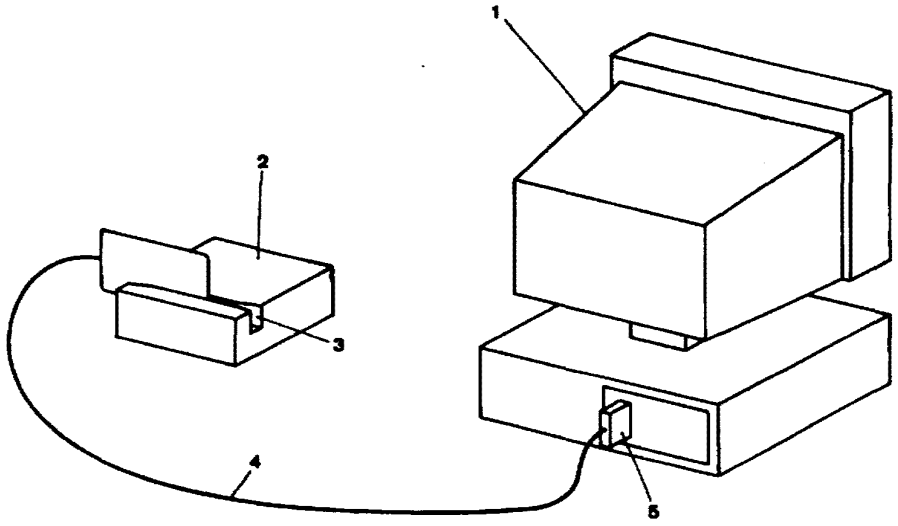
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A magnetic stripe card simulation means or "test card" comprises a planar substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card and one or more small electrical coils carried by the test card such that the coil will be positioned adjacent the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit when the test card is inserted into the reader unit. The coils are energised to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head. The system is useful by software developers in development of software for apparatus operated by magnetic stripe cards.

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A MAGNETIC STRIPE CARD SIMULATION MEANS, SYSTEM & METHOD

FIELD OF INVENTION

The invention comprises a magnetic stripe card simulation means, system and method useful by software developers in development of software for apparatus operated by magnetic stripe cards and incorporating a magnetic stripe card reader unit, such as retail point of sale units, apparatus used in security applications, automatic teller machines or ATMs and other applications in banking and finance or similar, and useful in testing the performance or developing of such magnetic card reader units.

BACKGROUND

Magnetic stripe cards are now in everyday use. Retailers including oil companies issue cards to their customers as credit cards or preferred customer cards or similar. Banks and financial institutions issue such cards to their customers as credit cards, debit cards and cards enabling use of ATMs. Magstripe cards are also commonly used as security cards issued to persons to allow access to buildings and similar. Inevitably the use of magstripe cards in various applications will increase.

A magstripe card is typically a planar plastic card comprising a strip of magnetic media which acts as a store for data. International standards define the physical size of the card and the size and characteristics of the magnetic stripe. These standards allow for up to three tracks to be defined along the length of the magnetic stripe, each for storing data which may be programmed onto the card on issue of the card to the user by the card

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issuing authority. Typically track 1 is a read only track used to carry the customers name and account information in banking or retail applications for example. Typically track 2 is a read only track carrying data which identifies the card type, the customers account number, any personal identification number or PIN and other issuer specific data. Typically track 3 is designated a read/write track and can carry rewritable data such as customer account balances. The physical position of each track on the card is closely defined by international standards.

Magnetic card reader units generally comprise 1, 2 or 3 adjacent pick-up coils mounted in a read head assembly. The read head is mounted in the reader unit such that the coils are centered where the encoded tracks 1, 2 and 3 of a magnetic stripe card inserted into the reader will be positioned. The magnetically encoded card is passed over the read head either by a motorised transport mechanism of the reader unit or by a manual card swipe. Card guides ensure correct location of the magnetic media over the read head. As the encoded card moves past the read head, the magnetic lines of force emanating from the magnetic media of the card induce a current in the pick-up coils. This current is amplified and processed by decoding circuits to recover stored data. Tracks 1, 2 and 3 can be read simultaneously if all are used.

Each application which uses magnetic stripe card technology requires software to be produced for that application. For example, each time a retailer converts to use of magcard technology, software must be developed for use in the associated point of sale terminals of the retailer. The same is true for other magcard users such as individual banks and financial institutions, and in security card applications where magcards are used as access

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cards. Various aspects of the software development require simulation of the end use of the cards. For example, in testing new software it may be necessary to trial various card encodings, to test the system response to expired cards, to trial a range of account codes, PINs, purchase restrictions and similar. At present this is commonly carried out by encoding a number of cards with each parameter to be tested and manually swiping a card through a reader unit during the software development.

SUMMARY OF INVENTION

The present invention provides a magnetic stripe card simulation means, system and method suitable for use by developers of software for magcard applications such as those referred to above, for testing the performance of and in the development of magcard reader units, and in other related applications.

In broad terms in one aspect the invention comprises a magnetic stripe card simulation means or "test card", comprising a planar substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card, at least one electrical coil carried by the substrate component such that the coil will be positioned adjacent the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit when the substrate component is inserted into the reader unit, and conductors from the substrate component enabling passing of a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

In broad terms in another aspect the invention comprises a magnetic stripe card simulation system, comprising:

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at least one electrical coil positionable adjacent a read head, and

programmable test means connectable to said electrical coil and programmable to pass a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

Preferably the electrical coil(s) is/are carried by a substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card such that the coil(s) will be positioned adjacent the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit when the substrate component is inserted into the reader unit.

In broad terms in a further aspect the invention comprises a method of simulation of movement of a magnetic stripe card past a read head, comprising providing at least one electrical coil positioned adjacent the read head, and passing a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

The invention will be further described with reference to the accompanying drawings, by way of example and without intending to be limiting, wherein:

Figure 1 schematically illustrates use of a magnetic card simulation system in software development using a personal computer,

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Figure 2 shows a typical magnetic stripe card from one side showing the approximate position of the three data tracks,

Figure 3 shows a preferred form magnetic stripe card simulation means or test card of the invention,

Figure 4 shows one preferred coil design,

Figure 5 shows positioning of a test card adjacent the read head of a magstripe card reader unit when the test card is inserted into the reader unit, and

Figure 6 schematically shows the interaction between the coil(s) of a test card of the invention and the pickup coil of a magcard read head.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED FORMS

Typically, but not exclusively, the test card and simulation system of the invention will be used with a personal computer used by a software developer or similar. Figure 1 schematically shows a personal computer 1 and a magstripe card reader unit 2. The test card 3 is inserted into the reader unit as shown, and a small cable 4 connects the test card to a port of the computer via a standard plug 5, so that test software in the personal computer may energise the test card to simulate swiping of a standard magstripe card through the reader unit.

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Figure 2 shows a standard magnetic stripe card. The card typically comprises a substrate 6 of standard dimensions and thickness, carrying a stripe 7 of magnetic media again in a standard position on the card. The magnetic media 7 provides three tracks in accordance with international standards, for storing data on the card. Tracks 1, 2 and 3 are indicated at T1, T2 and T3 in Figure 2.

As stated previously, track 1 is typically used as a read only track to carry a customers name and account information. Track 2 is typically used as a read only track most often used by the banking and oil industries. On track 2 the first six digits after the start sentinel are termed the card prefix and identify the card type e.g. Visa, Mastercard, Fuelcard, Debitcard, etc. The next digits give the customers account number. Together the prefix and account number make up the Primary Account Number or PAN. A separator designates the end of the PAN which may vary between 13 and 19 digits in length. The PAN separator is usually followed by the card expiry date, a PIN offset plus other issuer specific data. Track 3 is designated a read/write track and can carry rewritable data such as customer account balances (but is generally not used).

Various applications use different tracks. For example, a security access system may use only track 1 for encoding access privileges, a banking application such as EFTPOS may use only track 2 for customer account identification, and an oil industry application may use both tracks 1 and 2 using track 1 for account information and track 2 for product purchase restrictions. While three tracks are provided for by international standards at present, it is possible in the future that a larger number of tracks may be provided on a

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magnetic stripe card such as 4 or 5 tracks, and it is also possible that the data tracks may be located at other positions on the card than shown in Figure 2.

Figure 3 shows a preferred form magnetic stripe card simulation means or "test card". The test card comprises a substrate component 10 which is typically a piece of plastic or other suitable material of the same or similar dimensions to those of a standard magnetic stripe card. Where the magnetic stripe cards of a particular system do not comply with the international standards because the cards are for use with an in-house system of the card issuer who desires that the cards are of a non-standard size or that the data track(s) are in a non-standard location, the test card will also be of a non-standard size for use with the particular reader units used. Instead of a magnetic stripe, three small electrical coils 11 are carried by the substrate component 10. The coils 11 are positioned on the substrate component 10 such that they will in turn be positioned adjacent the read head of a standard magcard reader unit when the test card is inserted into the unit, as shown in Figure 1. Figure 5 shows how the small coils 11 are positioned on the substrate component 10 such that when the test card is inserted into the reader unit the coils 11 will be positioned immediately adjacent the read head 12.

In the preferred form test card shown each coil 11 is mounted in a shallow recess 13 formed in the thickness of the substrate component 10 forming the test card. For example the recesses 13 may be formed using a router. A shallow channel 14 is provided from the recesses 13 to an edge of the test card and wires pass from the coils 11 along the channel 14 to connect to a cable 15 the other end of which carries a plug for connecting the test card to the port of a personal computer for example. The coils 11 may be secured in

position in the recesses 13 as well as protected, by a resin or filler compound which also covers the wires in the channel 14. Optionally the whole surface of the card may then be covered with an adhesive film or similar. One, two or three coils may be provided depending upon the application and the number of tracks used, and it is also possible that four or more adjacent coils 11 or similar could be carried by the test card for some particular non-standard application.

The coils 11 may be small coils of any suitable configuration but in the preferred form each coil is wound such that the magnetic field generated when an electrical pulse is passed through the coil is substantially cancelled on either side of the coil in the plane of the test card to avoid detection of the magnetic field created by the coil by another read head pick up coil i.e. to avoid adjacent channel crosstalk. In the preferred form this is achieved as shown in Figure 4, by winding each coil 11 in two parts around the legs of a U-shaped core 17, the ends of which are subsequently crimped together, so that when the coil is energised a magnetic flux will radiate predominantly in directions perpendicular to the plane of the card as indicated by arrows F in Figure 4. Figure 4 shows the coil before crimping of the ends of the legs of the core together. The core 17 may be formed from permalloy sheet or other suitable coil material or alternatively the coils may be air cored. Use of a magnetic coil material increases the field strength generated. Various other coil constructions are possible however.

As stated, when the test card is inserted into a reader unit, the coils 11 are positioned adjacent the read head as shown in Figure 5. A series of electrical pulses may then be sent through each coil 11 to be picked up by the read head to create a changing magnetic field

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at the read head which simulates movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head. Energising the coil or coils 11 with a series of pulses will simulate movement of a magstripe card comprising a number of stored data digits past the read head. Figure 6 shows the interaction of a test card coil 11 with a pickup coil 19 of the read head.

The driving current to the coils may be supplied directly from a parallel or serial port of the PC. Current limiting resistors may be provided, in the port adaptors for example, to restrict the current flow through the coils. Variable resistors may be inserted into the current path to allow adjustment of the magnetic field strength of each of the coils. Other electronic circuits may be included to limit or boost the driving current, modify its wave shape or buffer the signal. A microprocessor may be included to remove some of the processing load and time dependency from the PC.

More than one test card may be operated from the designated system port. Additional cards may be connected to the same port using appropriate adaptors and each card may be individually driven by the PC. Additional cards may be wired together in series or in parallel to operate simultaneously.

Associated software generates the pulse stream which energises the coils of the test card to simulate swiping or motorised movement of a magnetic stripe card. In the design and development of magnetic card readers and decoders the software may be arranged to energise the test card to simulate faster and slower or maximum and minimum swipe speeds, in both directions, to introduce and vary sub-integral and/or adjacent bit to bit jitter in the test signal, to vary the number of leading and trailing clock pulses, and to vary the

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magnetic field strength for example. In the development of software applications based around magnetically encoded cards various card encodings can be quickly and easily simulated to check the response of the application software during development, such as purchase limitations, expiry dates, security access levels, invalid check characters, and similar. Test cards can be stored in a card data base for easy access. In production and test centre testing of card based systems test scrips using a data base of cards can be repeatedly played. A single PC can connect to many cards simulating multiple simultaneous swipes or to test maximum system load. The swipes can be triggered from an external event to synchronise the next swipe to the availability of the card reader. The ability to simulate a card avoids having to encode real magnetic cards for each and every combination of card type.

While in the preferred form test card the coils 11 or similar are carried by a substrate component of a size the same as or similar to a standard mag stripe card, it is possible in other forms that the coils may be carried by other means enabling the coils to be placed adjacent the read head of a card reader, such as a smaller substrate strip which may be inserted into a card reader or other means insertable into a card reader to position the coils adjacent the read head.

The foregoing describes the invention including a preferred form thereof. Alterations and modifications as will be obvious to those skilled in the art are intended to be incorporated within the scope hereof, as defined in the accompanying claims.

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CLAIMS

1. A magnetic stripe card simulation means comprising a planar substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card, at least one electrical coil carried by the substrate component such that the coil will be positioned adjacent the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit when the substrate component is inserted into the reader unit, and conductors from the substrate component enabling passing of a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

2. A magnetic stripe card simulation means according to claim 1, wherein the electrical coil(s) is/are sealed in a shallow recess or recesses in the substrate component.

3. A magnetic stripe card simulation means according to either one of claims 1 and 2 comprising two or more coils and wherein each coil is wound such that the magnetic field produced when an electrical pulse is passed through the coil is substantially cancelled on either side of the coil in the plane of the substrate component to minimise adjacent channel crosstalk.

4. A magnetic stripe card simulation means according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the or each coil(s) is/are wound around a U-shaped core oriented so that the two arms of the core lie above and below each other perpendicular to the plane of the substrate component.

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5. A magnetic stripe card simulation system, comprising:

at least one electrical coil positionable adjacent a read head, and

programmable test means connectable to said electrical coil and programmable to pass a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field at the read head created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

6. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to claim 5, wherein the electrical coil(s) is/are carried by a substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card such that the coil(s) will be positioned adjacent the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit when the substrate component is inserted into the reader unit.

7. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to claim 6, wherein the coil(s) is/are sealed in a shallow recess or recesses in the substrate component.

8. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to either one of claims 6 and 7 comprising two or more coils and wherein each coil is wound such that the magnetic field produced when an electrical pulse is passed through the coil is substantially cancelled on either side of the coil in the plane of the substrate component to minimise adjacent channel crosstalk.

9. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to any one of claims 5 to 8, wherein the or each coil(s) is/are wound around a U-shaped core oriented so that the two

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arms of the core lie above and below each other perpendicular to the plane of the substrate component.

10. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to any one of claims 5 to 9, wherein said programmable test means is programmed to energise the coil(s) in a test regime comprising any one or more of:

a) causing the electrical pulses to simulate stored card data representative of data of actual magnetic stripe cards,

b) faster and slower series of electrical pulses representing stored card data to simulate faster and slower card movement past the read head,

c) introduction of sub-integral and/or adjacent bit-to-bit jitter into the electrical pulses representing stored card data for test purposes,

d) variations in the number of leading and trailing clock pulses in the electrical pulses simulating stored card data, and

e) variations of the amplitude of the electrical pulses to vary the magnetic field strength produced by the coil(s), for test purposes.

11. A magnetic stripe card simulation system according to any one of claims 5 to 10, wherein the programmable test means is a personal computer.

12. A method of simulation of movement of a magnetic stripe card past a read head, comprising providing at least one electrical coil positioned adjacent the read head, and passing a series of electrical pulses through the coil to simulate the changing magnetic field created by movement of a magnetic stripe card past the read head.

13. A method according to claim 12, wherein said read head is the read head of a magnetic stripe card reader unit and the electrical coil(s) is/are carried by a substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card such that the coil(s) will be positioned adjacent the read head when the substrate component is inserted into the reader unit.

14. A method according to either one of claims 12 and 13 including energising said coil in a test regime comprising any one or more of:

a) causing the electrical pulses to simulate stored card data representative of a real magnetic stripe card,

b) faster and slower series of electrical pulses representing stored card data to simulate faster and slower card movement past the read head,

c) introduction of sub-integral and adjacent bit-to-bit jitter into the electrical pulses representing stored card data for test purposes,

d) variations in the number of leading and trailing clock pulses in the electrical pulses simulating stored card data, and

e) variations of the amplitude of the electrical pulses to vary the magnetic field strength produced by the coil(s), for test purposes.

15. A magnetic stripe card simulation means substantially as described herein with reference to Figs 3 and 4 of the accompanying drawings.

16. A magnetic stripe card simulation system substantially as described herein.

17. A method of simulating movement of a magnetic stripe card past a read head substantially as described herein.

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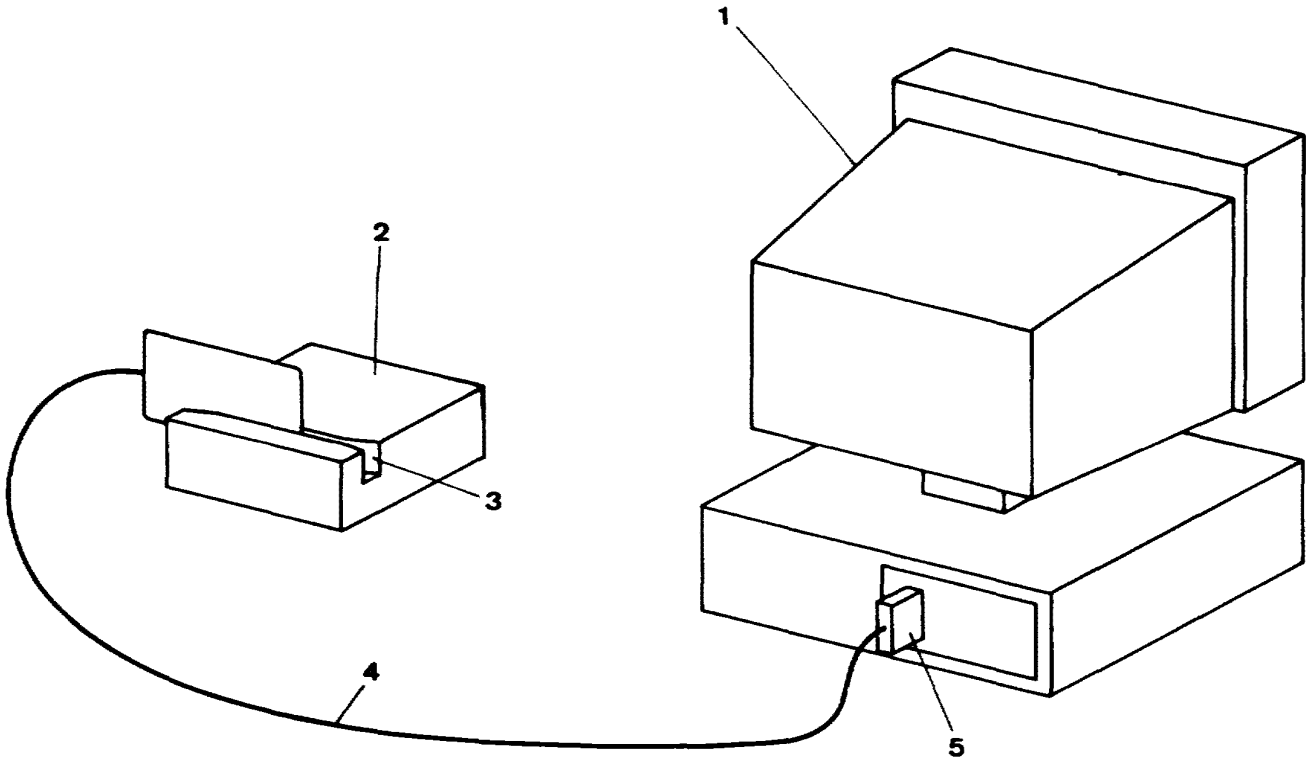


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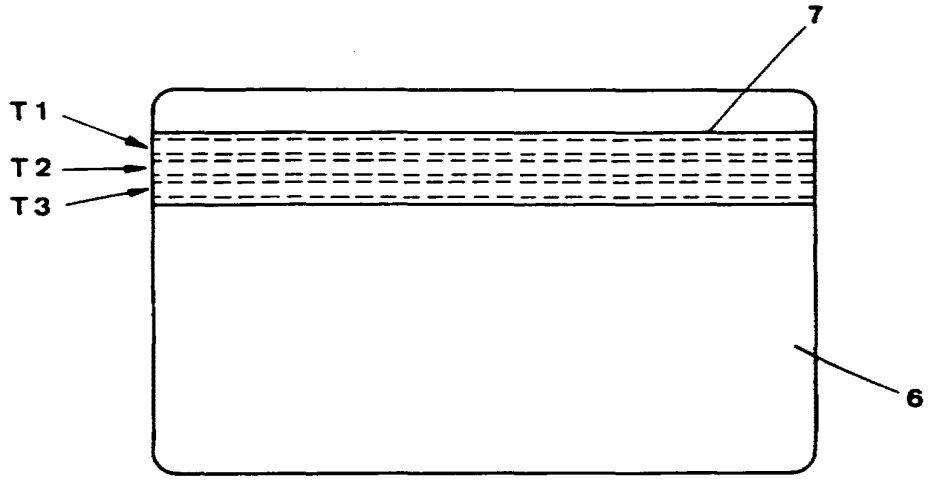


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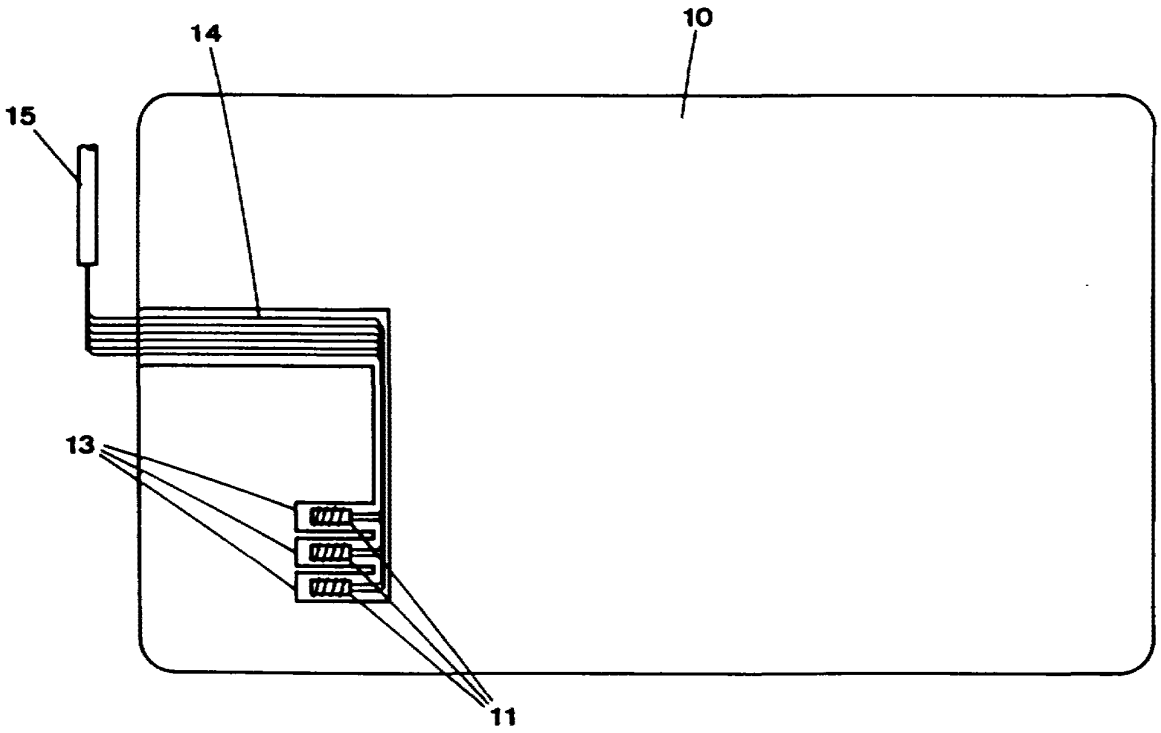


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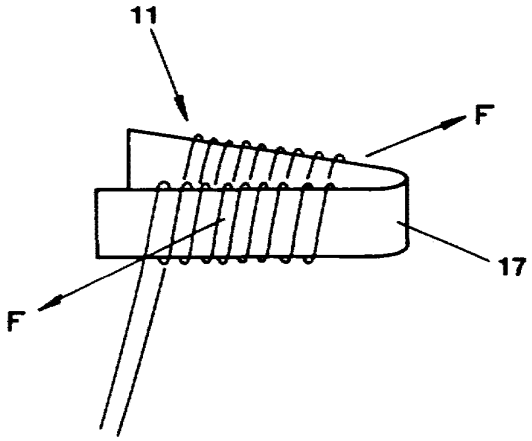


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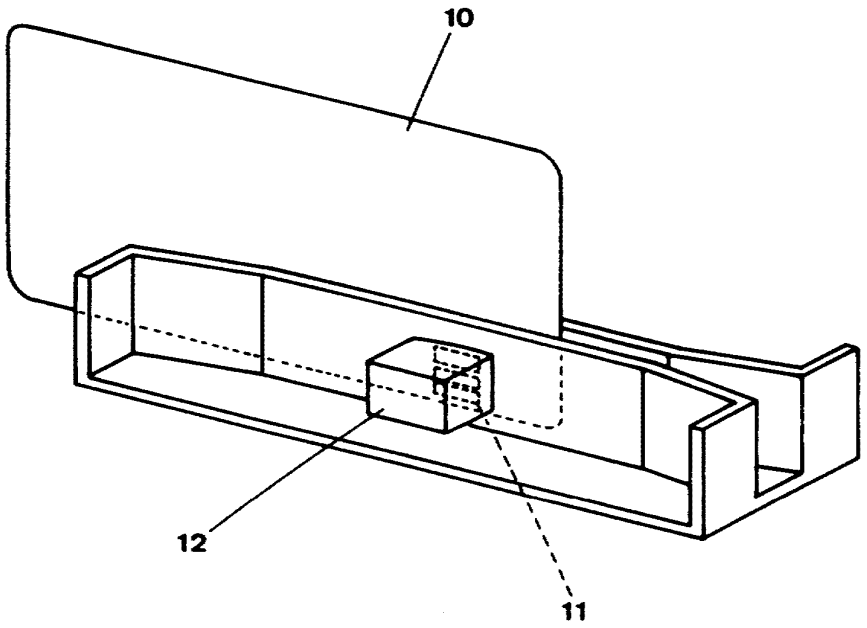


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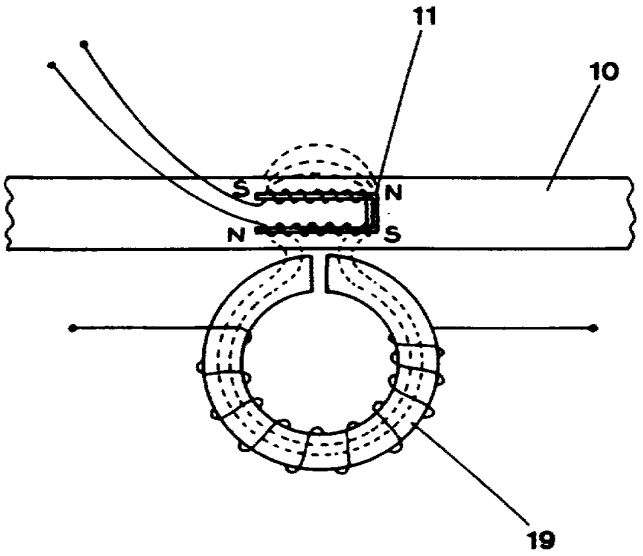


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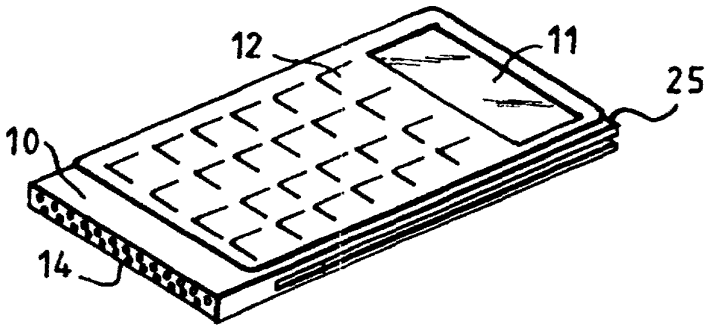
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A pocket value terminal comprises a pocketable case (10), a display (11) and a keyboard (12). The case is designed to receive and electrically connect with contact chip cards to carry out various transactions. The case has a multi-pin connector (14) enabling the terminal to be connected to external devices. The central microprocessor may be mounted on a plastic board that also caries a contactless chip. Alternatively, the contactless chip may be mounted on a separate board and held and supported in convenient proximity with the terminal. In this way the terminal acts as a value transfer and communicating device, and can also be used, in contactless mode, to purchase rail journeys and the like.



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POCKET VALUE TERMINAL

The invention relates to a pocket value terminal that is associated with electronic transaction cards that incorporate a memory, frequently known as smart cards or chip cards, and associated hand-held devices.

The cards consist of a thin rectangular section (typically 85.6 mm x 53.98 mm x 0.76 mm) of plastic material into which is imbedded an integrated circuit which contains complex memory and logic circuits, that operate according to various ISO standards and enable the user to conduct a commercial transaction with a service provider. Such integrated circuits are referred hereinafter as "chips".

Various technologies are used for bi-directional communication with the Smart card chips, two of these methods are known as "contact" and "contactless".

Contact chip cards are supplied with contact pads on the surface of the card that are bonded to the chip. It is via a physical electrical connection to these contact pads that communication is accomplished. In contrast, communication to the contactless card chip is achieved

remotely via a radio frequency signal transmitted from an external reader, typically over a distance of around 6 to 10 centimetres. Signals are received via a tuned thin wire aerial in the form of a multi layer loop imbedded in the periphery of the chip card and connected to the chip.

The invention can be applied to any number of chip cards utilising the aforementioned technologies and other associated hand-held devices. Such cards can encompass many applications, typical applications would include, financial transaction cards, stored value cards for transport, telecommunications, car parking meters, identity cards and the like. Such cards are individually prepared and used and, generally stated, comprise a separate card for each function.

A multiple chip requirement could be achieved by developing a combination chip that combines various individual chip function characteristics into a single microprocessor chip. Such a combination leads to extra difficulty with respect to the management protocols of the various functions and in some cases would add greatly to the costs. In terms of mass production or otherwise, it

also involves considerable design expense because for each form of combination a specially designed chip is required.

Additionally because of the unproven acceptance level of the individual technologies, many service providers are unwilling to risk the success of their technology by combining with another unproven technology. This is particularly evident in the current integration efforts within the Transport and Financial sectors.

Industry observers expect that the migration for service providers from using separate chip cards to a possible final single combination chip card solution would require development through several stages.

Typically these stages would be:

Individual cards containing one dedicated chip, to a single card containing two separate chips, to finally a single combination chip combining the features of both technologies.

The invention addresses the need for a mechanism to enable service providers to integrate their technologies during the development phases from independent cards to a

possible combination card.

By providing a common interface that is both independent of the technologies and secure for each of the service providers, the long term financial, legal, operational and techological concerns related to the integration of their services can be addressed.

Typical commercial issues with respect to, ownership of the card, what powers does the owner have over the data stored on any single application, and who is responsible for establishing the data structures and security mechanisms need evaluation, these and the economic benefits from shared ownership can be carefully considered before committing to the combination chip architecture.

There exists today various hand-held devices in everyday use, these may take the form of a pager, mobile telephone, calculator, electronic wallet, organiser, card value reader, or the like. These devices typically incorporate features such as, a display, input interface, printed circuit board and a processor. The cards relating to this invention, and the associated

hand-held devices can be regarded as having their respective communication, memory and processing features concentrated in electronic modules mounted on either plastic cards, or printed circuit boards.

In any event and broadly stated, each of the chip cards relating to this invention can be regarded as a simply suitable encapsulation of a chip and other components as applicable. The encapsulation ensures the integrity of the chip, and its components, and allows such chip cards to be manually handled and, where appropriate, electrically "plugged in" to a device or appliance or simply placed in a slot, e.g. for a financial transaction device inserted in a cash dispenser slot.

Some chip cards are remotely sensed, interrogated and monitored using so-called "contactless technology". Already contactless chip cards are used for railway station entries, road toll collections and electronic driving licenses, for example, where the card is simply "shown" at a distance by a holder or mounted on a vehicle, and automatically communicates with a

stationery reader or monitor.

The invention also has application with pagers, mobile phones, calculators, electronic wallets, organisers, card value readers and the like and may be applied to a circuit board that carries one or more chips, and some other electrical components where applicable. For the purposes defining embodiments of the invention, any of the chip cards and associated hand-held devices where applicable, will be referred to as "pocketable communicating devices" to give an indication to their size, format and function.

According to the invention there is provided a combination of two or more different discrete pocketable communicating devices each having a respective microprocessor chip for performing its discrete functions, in which the devices are arranged to be physically associated with one another, and one of the devices is a contactless chip card.

Each device may have a separate chip and a single holder or wallet provided to carry the chips physically close

to one another in association with one another.

Each device may comprise a separate supporting card of plastic material and a housing arranged to receive and carry the two or more cards physically close to one another.

In some of the devices the contactless chip card may be formed or carried on the same plastic card as the other or one of the other devices.

An aerial for the contactless device may be formed by conductors printed on the, or one of the plastic cards of the other devices.

One of the devices may comprise a manually operable pocket value terminal incorporating an independent microcomputer. One of the functions of the microcomputer is to communicate directly to one or more pocketable communicating devices, or to enable communications between two or more of these devices, when the devices are physically placed close to the microcomputer during the communicating.

The pocket value terminal may be arranged to contain a mechanism for receiving and holding at least two chip cards in position. The pocket value terminal preferably includes a facility to communicate to and/or between at least a chip card and the microcomputer, in which case the contact chip card is electrically connected during the communication process by exposed contacts to the pocket value terminal.

The pocket value terminal preferably also has a multi-pin connection connectable to other appliances.

The housing may comprise a wallet arranged to contain the pocket value terminal.

In the combination, one of the devices preferably comprises a commonly used electrical device that fits into a person's pocket.

One of the devices preferably contains a central processor card. The central processor card may be provided with the means for communicating directly to a chip in another card physically placed adjacent the

central microprocessor card during the communicating.

A device may be arranged to contain the central processor and have a mechanisms for receiving and holding other cards with similar chips in position.

A chip card value reader may be provided and arranged to display the value residing in the memory of a chip card when physically placed within the device.

A holder or a wallet may be arranged to control and transfer value between various other cards physically placed adjacent the central processor, or into a common access area within the central processor.

Embodiments of the invention will now be described by way of example with reference to the accompanying schematic drawings in which:-

Figure 1 is an isometric top view of a pocket value terminal;

Figure 2 shows an isometric top view of a printed

circuit board for the device and forming a combined central processor and contactless chip;

Figure 3 shows an isometric bottom view of the printed circuit board for the device;

Figure 4 shows an isometric bottom view of the terminal;

Figure 5 shows an isometric bottom view of an ISO 7816 type contact chip card;

Figure 6 shows an isometric top view of a Mini or SIM type contact chip card;

Figure 7 is a clip-on battery pack for the terminal;

Figures 8a and 8b is the pocket value terminal connected to a Cellular Telephone handset;

Figure 9 is the pocket value terminal connected to a PSTN telephone and modem; and

Figure 10 is the pocket value terminal connected to a personal computer.

Referring to the drawings, the terminal is provided in a laminar shaped pocketable case 10, having an area approximately equal to a normal credit card, and provided with a liquid crystal display 11 and a keypad 12. A multiple pin connector 14, mounted at one end of the case 10 enables the terminal to be electrically connected to a flat battery pack 15 which is mounted in a container 16 that forms a convenient support or mounting for the case 10. Another multiple pin connector 25 is mounted at the other end of the case 10. The case 10 can also connect to various appliances such as a mobile phone, or personal computer. In the latter case, the case 10 will connect into a compatible computer slot, preferably the 68 pin PCMCIA slot or the RS232 slot of the personal computer in a normal way. (See Figure 10.)

In Figure 3, a printed circuit board 17 is mounted with a type ISO 7816 contact chip connector 13 and a second

Mini or SIM type contact chip connector 18 into which can be inserted a Mini or SIM contact chip card 19.

A microcomputer 24 of the terminal mounted on the printed circuit board 17 enables direct communication with contact chip cards 19 and 22 inserted into the contact chip connectors 18 and 13. In use the chip cards 19 and 22 are programmed to communicate in a totally secure manner with the terminal according to a known Mondex (trade mark) system, or other similar chip card systems.

In accordance with the embodiments of the invention, a contactless chip circuit is provided and comprises a separate contactless chip 20 and an aerial 21 mounted and formed on the printed circuit board 17 respectively. The chip 20 is totally separated from and independent of the microcomputer 24 and the aerial 21 is also electrically isolated from the microcomputer 24. Indeed, as a matter of convenience to maintain overall versatility, the contactless chip card is preferably formed in a separate manufacturing or assembly operation, before the microcomputer 24 and its

components have been added to the plastic board. Encapsulation with resin, for example, may however take place after both the microcomputer 24 and the contactless chip 20 have been mounted to the same printed circuit board.

In figure 5, a second contact chip card 22 is shown. The contact chip card 22 fits in position, opposite the contact chip connector 13, when the card 22 is inserted in between the rear of case 10 and the battery pack 15. According to the Mondex system, the second card 22 may belong to another person, and the arrangement enables, via a separate communication link between the contact chip cards 19 and 22, and microcomputer 24, transfer of cash values between the cards in accordance with the instructions manually initiated by the keyboard 12 of the terminal. In this way, cash can be transferred, typically cash for goods and services, between two persons. As mentioned earlier, these arrangements allowing secure transfer of cash values between two chip cards are already known as such.

In terms of embodiments of the invention, the described arrangement represents a typical example, where the contactless chip card is used for example for purchasing rail journeys or ticketless flight reservations. The user of the described device can carry out transactions using a contact chip card, such as obtaining cash at a cash dispenser or transferring money to another like card holder, these value or data transfers can also be effected by connecting the pocket value terminal to a Cellular Mobile Phone, as shown in Figs 8a and 8b, enabling the transfer between the contact card inserted in the pocket value terminal and the financial institution to be completed remotely over the digital cellular network.

A typical cellular system would be the Global System for Mobile communications (GSM) utilising the Short Message Service and Over The Air data transfers possible under Phase 2+ of the GSM Standard.

The user can also obtain information via the terminal's display, relating to the remaining value stored on the contact chip card or the most recent transactional data.

In addition, in a contactless mode, a holder may also obtain information relating to the remaining value stored on the contactless chip card or the most recent transactional data or may enter and leave a railway station, or board an aircraft without the need for a conventional airticket . The contactless chip feature may also be devised and used as an identity card for entry to a "secure" office, for example.

Additionally, the user, when conducting transactions with either the contact card or the contactless card features of the terminal, can accumulate loyalty points that have a predetermined relationship to the value of his purchases with either the contact card, or the contactless features of the terminal.

These points can be converted by the relevant service provider into a value format that can be stored in a public partition of the microprocessor 24, that is accessible by both the contact card service provider and the contactless card service provider, and used jointly or severally by the service providers for distribution

between themselves and/or with the users.

The contactless device in the described embodiment is formed on the same plastic board that support the terminals' electronic components. In other applications the contactless device may be formed on a same printed circuit board that supports pager, mobile telephone, calculator, card value reader, electronic wallet or organiser, electronic components. On the other hand, the contactless device may be quite separate, as well as being also discrete in the manner above, and so simply placed or used in proximity with the chip boards of the other "communicating" devices, which devices include the terminal (as described) that communicates with chip cards such as 19 and 22

In any event it will be appreciated that in embodiments of the invention the contactless function is a kind of "add-on" to a communicating device, such as a pocket value terminal, say. There are at least three advantages with providing such an arrangement. Firstly, there is no need to re-design and technically prove the contact chip or the contactless chip as they are known

and generally available per se. Secondly, several different kinds of contactless chip cards can be selected and added to one of a variety of contact chip cards. Thirdly, because there are no battery requirements for contactless operation, or generally, the contactless function can be provided next to a standard printed circuit of a pager, a mobile telephone, a calculator, a card value reader, an electronic wallet, an electronic organiser or other devices. As such, the pager and so forth can be used for its normal function and also used to obtain entry to a railway station using the incorporated or added-on contactless chip card feature.

A further advantage of maintaining the chip functions separate is that it maintains privacy and security between the respective service providers and/or users.

It will be noted that the user or holder of the described device may be informed, using the microcomputer 24, of the status of the value remaining on his chip card and has means of privately obtaining the most recent transactional data relating to his

cards. At present means for accessing this information are generally located at the service provider, and in many cases such information is not easily available.

Instructions relating to all the foregoing can be carried out by the combined use of the display and key input features of the pocket value terminal.

Other variations based on the pocket value terminal can be provided to enhance its overall usefulness. The pocket value terminal may be connected to an information system for the transfer of data and/or value via either of two multipin connectors provided on the terminal. In one arrangement the pocket value terminal may be connected to an information system via the 68 pin PCMCIA connector 14. The information system could be accessed by an appliance such as a personal computer, personal digital assistant, or any other device that contains a connecting slot that is compatible with the terminal's 68 pin PCMCIA connector and associated unique connector alignment profile.

Alternatively the information system may be accessed by means of a telephone network. To achieve this the

terminal is connected to the telephone network via a telephone handset, which may be a mobile phone or a special handset designed for the purpose. The most recent of mobile digital telephones are equipped with data transfer connection slots, to which the pocket value terminal is connected in use by the second multi-pin connector 25 located on the periphery of the terminal, as shown in Fig 8a, the data transfers are enabled by integrating proprietry software drivers provided by the cellular handset manufacturers into the pocket value terminal that are compatible with the communication protocols of the cellular handset.

Alternatively the pocket value terminal can be connected via the 68 pin PCMCIA connector 14 to mobile digital telephones that are appearing with PCMCIA compatible slots located at the base or side of the cellular handset as shown in fig 8b.

A similar configuration is possible with a telephone handset connected to the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) incorporating a modem designed for data transfers, as exhibited in Fig 9.

In any of these data transfer arrangements the pocket value terminal contributes a significant increase in computing capacity not available to chip cards in their independent state. This increased computing power enables the pocket value terminal to act as an "intelligent" partner to a relatively simple chip card, by performing the functional workload such as implementation of security measures, typically full asymmetric cryptography which demand large computing facilities.

A further consideration is the need for the pocket value terminal to have a sufficiently large electrical power source. This is achieved with a large capacity plug-in power pack which may be rechargeable, and is of a format that does not contribute significantly to the terminal's weight or bulk as shown in Figure 7, connection to the pocket value terminal may be via the 68 pin connector 14.

Additionally, the pocket value terminal, maintains in such a data transfer configuration, the feature available in previous embodiments, of being able to

accommodate several chip cards simultaneously, and to be able to communicate to or between the inserted chip cards and the information systems. This can result in the transfer of value via the communication system, typically between a chip card and a financial institution. The remaining value residing on the chip card can be read from the terminal's display, prior to the removal of the card from the pocket value terminal, and the card then used in a normal transactional manner.

In a further embodiment the pocket value terminal is used

in a communication system connectable to an interactive market, or similar virtual network. This may be via the previously described transmission systems or by mass market devices, specially designed for this interactive medium. Such devices include TV set-top boxes and Internet connecting devices. By connecting the pocket value terminal to these devices, small value payments can be transferred instantaneously from the inserted chip card for services such as pay to view movies, or specially televised sporting events. It is also possible to use the pocket value terminal for payments over the

Internet for a multitude of goods and services that are and will be available from this medium. Typically the majority of payments via these networks are 'micro-payments', being of small value and not economically transacted by conventional credit card means due to the relative high cost of the associated transaction accountability.

Instructions relating to all the foregoing connections with the communicating systems can be carried out by the combined use of the display and key input features of the pocket value terminal or the computer terminal, telephone or other connected device.

Computers and digital technology have opened new markets that require secure and swift remote payment arrangements.

Remote payments need high-levels of security to guarantee protection against counterfeit and fraud, against criminals or computer hackers, who would seek to intercept or divert value transfers between legitimate parties. It is obvious that with the potential for

exponential growth of remote payments via virtual networks, the requirement for improved security is essential.

In some or most embodiments it is necessary to have a security facility. This is generally an underlying requirement for most users of cash transactions. Advanced card systems use cryptographic safeguards in conjunction with personal identification of the user. Personal identification systems are generally based on three parameters associated with, something someone knows such as a personal identification number (PIN), something that someone has, such as a badge or card, or some biocharacteristic of the individual, such as a fingerprint or speech pattern.

In an embodiment of the invention the pocket value terminal with the plug-in battery pack shown in Figure 7 attached, is provided with a biometric template of the card user based on his fingerprint, voice or other such data. This template is used to compare real time input of corresponding biometric data from the user, prior to the use of the card. A positive result of this biometric

comparison creates a time based link to the activation of the value segments of the inserted chip card. After removal of the plug-in power pack from the 68 pin connector, the pocket value terminal can be inserted into a compatible connecting slot in a personal computer to complete the value transfer within the designated period.

Alternatively the pocket value terminal with the plug-in powerpack attached can be connected to a compatible telephone via the multipin connector 25. The biometric authentication can be carried out whilst connected to the telephone network or independently and then connected to the telephone network, as previously explained.

In all cases transfers are not possible unless both the user has been accepted by the biometric authentication process, and the user's chip card is inserted into the pocket value terminal while the pocket value terminal is connected to the PC computer or compatible telephone. Removal of the chip card from the pocket value terminal will terminate the connection.

The action of the biometric authentication together with the unique identifier relating to the integrated circuit of the inserted chip card may also be used to produce a session key for the transaction period selected by the user during the authentication process. This session key further enhances the security that presently exists in some chip card transaction protocols. For each new log-on to the communication system a new session number is generated, and only for the period decided by the user.

Additionally the memory may be expanded for more involved biometrics by storing the biometric template on any of the emerging mini format flash memory card that can be an additional plug-in device to the pocket value terminal.

It will be appreciated that whereas a certain contactless device has been described with a chip mounted on a board and an aerial formed, by printed circuit or other technique, on the board, other contactless arrangements may be used. Such other

contactless arrangements included cards that are read during proximate inductive coupling where the card is normally presented quite closely up to or near a reader. In all cases, the contactless device is any device that does not actually electrically contact the reader directly and is a separate or separately operable device, as explained in the specification.

CLAIMS

1. A combination of two or more pocketable different discrete communicating devices and each having a respective microprocessor chip for performing its discrete function, in which the devices are arranged to be physically associated with one another, and one of the devices is a contactless device.

2. A combination according to claim 1, in which each of the devices has a separate chip and a single holder or wallet is provided to carry the chips physically close to one another in association with one another.

3. A combination according to claim 1, in which each of the devices is formed on or carried by a respective single printed circuit board.

4. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 3, in which an aerial for the contactless device is formed by conductors printed on the or one of the printed circuit boards.

5. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 4, in

which one of the devices comprises a commonly used electrical device that fits into a person's pocket.

6. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 5, in which one of the devices contains a central microprocessor card.

7. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 6, in which the central microprocessor card is provided with the means for communicating directly to a chip in another card physically placed adjacent the central microprocessor card during the communicating.

8. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 7, including a device arranged to contain the central microprocessor, the device having mechanisms for receiving and holding other cards with similar chips in position.

9. A combination according to any of claims 1 to 8, including a device arranged to contain a clip-on re-chargeable battery pack, to supply electrical power.

10. A combination according to claim 9, including a chip card value reader arranged to display the value residing in the memory of the chip of a card physically placed within the device.

11. A combination according to claim 9, including a wallet arranged to transfer loyalty value between various other cards physically placed adjacent the central microprocessor.

12. A combination according to claim 9, including a connector that enables connectivity to cellular mobile phones to facilitate the transfer of data or value via the cellular network between financial institutions or other card holders to cards physically placed adjacent the central processor.

13. A combination according to claim 9, including a connector that enables connectivity to personal computers to facilitate the transfer of data or value via the personal computer communication network between financial institutions or other card holders to cards physically placed adjacent the central processor.

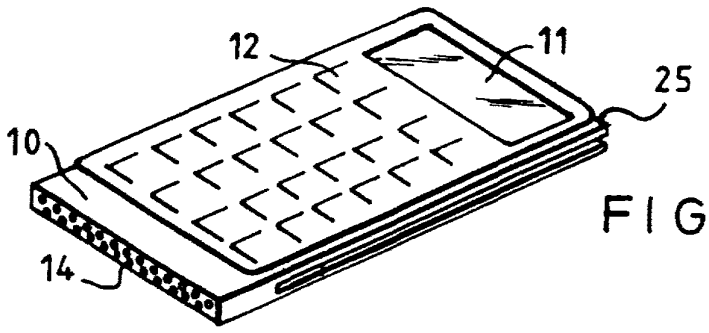


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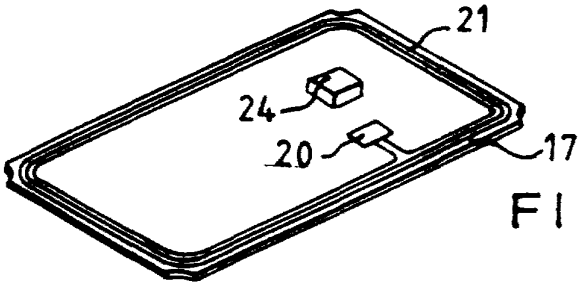


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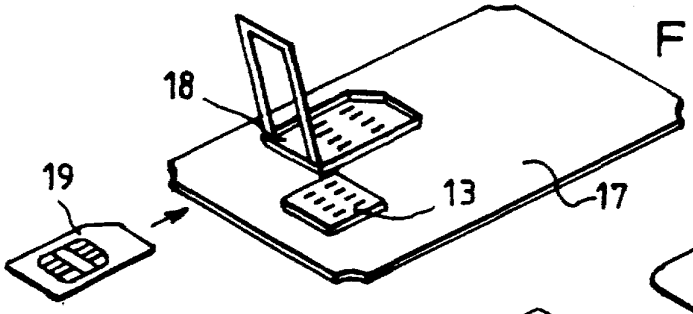


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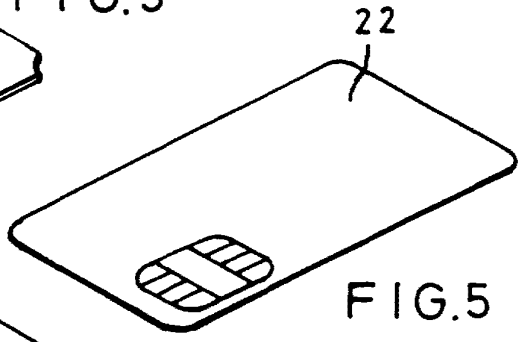


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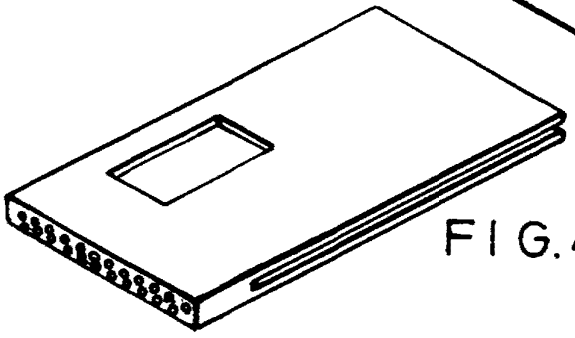


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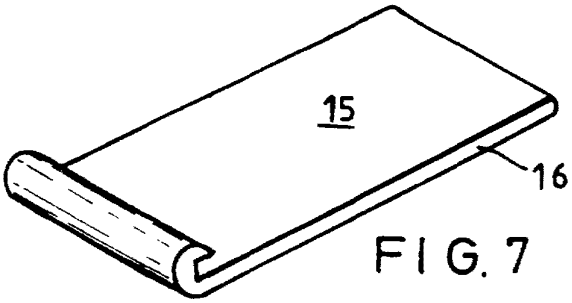


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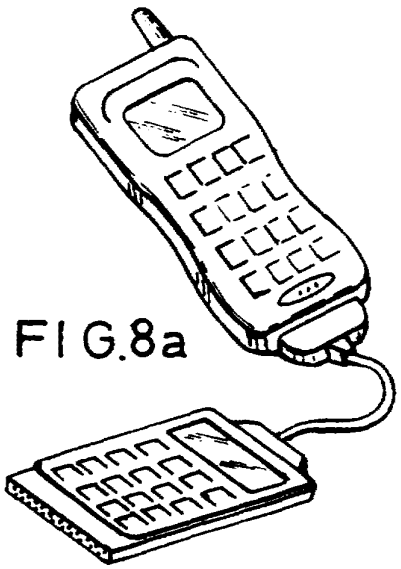


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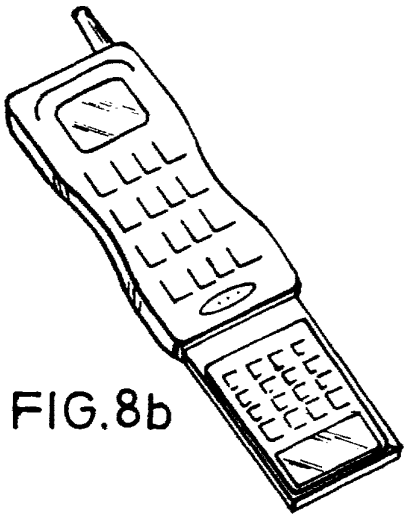


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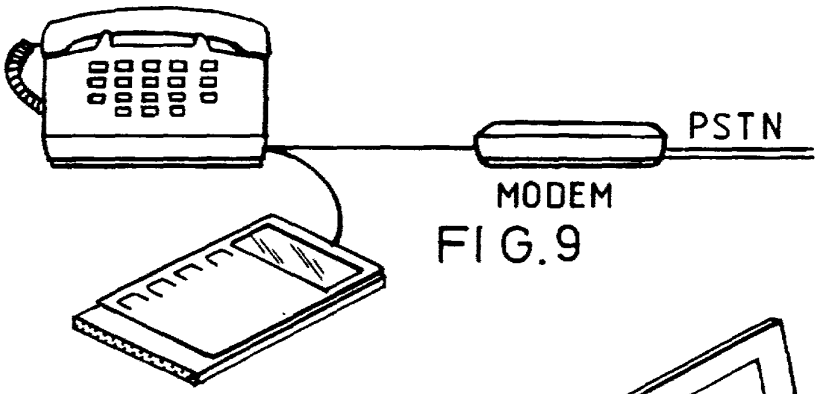


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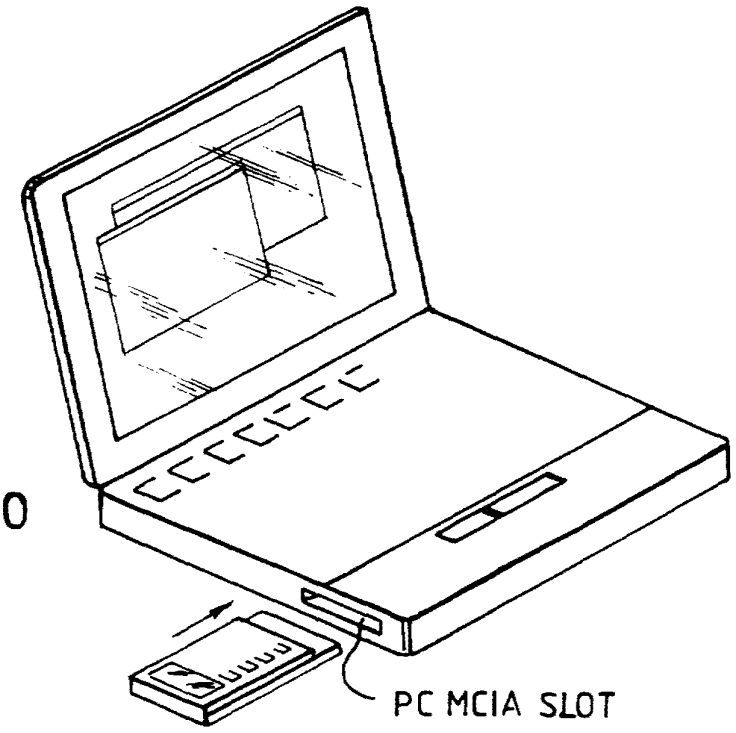


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1. claims: 1-11

A portable transaction device comprising means for secondary authentication and software for changing the value of a pre-paid card

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2. claims: 12-20

A portable transaction device and a transaction system comprising a cellular telephone used in financial transactions involving communication with other entities

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1. claims: 1-12

Independent apparatus claim 1 claims an electronic stripe card comprising a conductive path with two portions in sufficient distance to each other in order to allow the first portion to mimic a magnetic track without interference from a magnetic field from the second portion.
Independent apparatus claim 4 claims an electronic stripe card comprising two layers and a conductive path alternating between the two layers wherein the two path portions on the respective layers are in sufficient distance to each other in order to avoid magnetic interference.
The claims concern the problem of how to provide a magnetic track mimic using less material.

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2. claims: 13-23

Independent apparatus claim 13 claims an electronic stripe card having two conductive paths, each path to mimic a track in a magnetic card, further having a swipe sensor and an interleaved track driver circuit.
Independent method claim 19 claims a method comprising the step of detecting a swipe by swipe sensor and the step of interleaved driving first and second conductive paths to mimic a respective magnetic track.
Both claims concern the problem of how to save power in the reading mode and how to eliminate cross talk between two tracks.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US 08/57588

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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USPC - 711/103
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
USPC: 711/103

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
USPC: 711/100,103,159,203

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
PubWEST(USPT,PGPB,EPAB,JPAB); DialogPRO; WIPO, EPO, CITESEER, Google patents, Google scholar Search Terms Used: memory card, Smart Media card, Memory Stick, PC card, Compact Flash card, Multi Media card, Secure Digital card, data field, address field, access command, write command, command, hidden, concealed, conceal, hide

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2005/0022002 A1 (POISNER) 27 January 2005 (27.01.2005) entire document especially Fig 3A-3B, abstract, para [0008]-[0013], para [0041], para [0047]-[0053].	1-26
A	US 2004/0064612 A1 (PINTO et al.) 01 April 2004 (01.04.2004) entire document	1-26

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. ☐

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"P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed
"T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

(Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Rule 44*bis*)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115.004WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2005/019988	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 03 June 2005 (03.06.2005)	Priority date *(day/month/year)* 03 June 2004 (03.06.2004)
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Applicant TYFONE, INC.		

1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 *bis*.1(a).

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 9 sheets, including this cover sheet.

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☒	Box No. II	Priority
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☒	Box No. IV	Lack of unity of invention
☒	Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
☐	Box No. VI	Certain documents cited
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4. The International Bureau will communicate this report to designated Offices in accordance with Rules 44*bis*.3(c) and 93*bis*.1 but not, except where the applicant makes an express request under Article 23(2), before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date (Rule 44*bis* .2).

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY
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If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of three months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

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Box No. I Basis of the opinion

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4. Additional comments:

Box No. II Priority

1. ☒ The validity of the priority claim has not been considered because the International Searching Authority does not have in its possession a copy of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed or, where required, a translation of that earlier application. This opinion has nevertheless been established on the assumption that the relevant date (Rules 43*bis*.1 and 64.1) is the claimed priority date.

2. ☐ This opinion has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the fact that the priority claim has been found invalid (Rules 43*bis*.1 and 64.1). Thus for the purposes of this opinion, the international filing date indicated above is considered to be the relevant date.

3. Additional observations, if necessary:

Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention

1. ☒ In response to the invitation (Form PCT/ISA/206) to pay additional fees, the applicant has:

   ☒ paid additional fees.

   ☐ paid additional fees under protest.

   ☐ not paid additional fees.

2. ☐ This Authority found that the requirement of unity of invention is not complied with and chose not to invite the applicant to pay additional fees.

3. This Authority considers that the requirement of unity of invention in accordance with Rule 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3 is

   ☐ complied with

   ☒ not complied with for the following reasons:

   see separate sheet

4. Consequently, this report has been established in respect of the following parts of the international application:

   ☒ all parts.

   ☐ the parts relating to claims Nos.

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	3, 5-11, 13-16, 18-20
	No:	Claims	1,2,4, 17
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-20
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-20
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

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Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

see separate sheet

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US-A-6 016 476 (MAES ET AL) 18 January 2000 (2000-01-18),

D4: EP-A-1 291 748 (ALCATEL) 12 March 2003 (2003-03-12),

D5: WO 03/077473 A (BEAMTRUST A/S; ANDERSSON, STEN; KAARLE, PETER; KAPNOULA, ANNA; ELGAARD) 18 September 2003 (2003-09-18),

D7: WO 2004/012352 A (WAY SYSTEMS, INC; GOLDTHWAITE, SCOTT; GRAYLIN, WILLIAM) 5 February 2004 (2004-02-05).

Re Item IV

Lack of unity of invention

This Authority considers that there are 2 (groups of) inventions covered by the claims indicated as follows:

1. Claims 1-11directed to a portable transaction device comprising means for secondary authentication and software for changing the value of a pre-paid card;

2. Claims 12-20 directed to a portable transaction device and a transaction system comprising a cellular telephone used in financial transactions involving communication with other entities.

The reasons for which the inventions are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept, as required by Rule 13.1 PCT, are as follows:

Document D1 which is considered to be the closest prior art discloses a portable transaction device (fig. 1) comprising:

-memory to hold information regarding a financial card (col. 10, lines 43-48);

-a reprogrammable financial card (col. 5, lines 25-35 and fig. 1);

-a slot to interface with the reprogrammable card (col. 5, lines 25-35 and fig. 1);

-software to generate single use transaction numbers (col. 6, lines 47-55 and col 12, line 30 - col. 13, line 5);

-means for interacting with a user to provide authentication to the portable transaction device (col. 5, lines 54-67 and col. 10, lines 49-65);

-a financial transaction system comprising a reprogrammable financial card and a

cellular telephone having an interface to communicate with the reprogrammable card and including software to request a change in value of a financial account (col. 14, lines 1-16, col. 13, lines 39-50, fig. 3 and fig. 1).

The special technical features of the inventions within the meaning of Rule 13.2 and the corresponding problems are therefore defined as follows:

1. Claims 1-11: The special technical features of the first invention (independent claims 1 and 5) are wireless interface for interacting with a secondary wireless device to provide a second authentication factor and software to request a change in value of a prepaid card. The problems to be solved are respectively to provide reliable authentication of the user and to provide means for implementing financial card processing.

Note: There is no difference between the subject matter of claims 1, 2 and 4 and the teaching of document D1. The special technical feature of the group of claims 1-4 (a wireless interface for interacting with a secondary wireless device) is therefore identified based on the subject matter of dependent claim 3.

2. Claims 12-20: The special technical features of the second invention (independent claims 12 and 17) are a portable transaction device comprising a cellular phone and a value transfer component to operatively interface to another portable transaction device to refresh value in a stored value card and a financial transaction system comprising a cellular phone including software to request a change in value of a financial account. The problem to be solved is to provide support for financial transactions involving communication with other entities.

As the special technical features are not identical, and neither the objective problems underlying the subjects of the claimed inventions, nor their solutions defined by the said special technical features allow for a technical relationship to be established between the said inventions, the special technical features cannot be held to be corresponding. Therefore, the 2 groups of claims are not linked by common or corresponding special technical features and define 2 different inventions not linked by a single general inventive concept.

The application, hence does not meet the requirements of Unity of invention as defined in rules 13.1 and 13.2 PCT.

Re Item V

Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT for the following reasons:

1 Document D1 (US6016476) discloses a portable transaction device (fig. 1) comprising:
-memory to hold information regarding a financial card (col. 10, lines 43-48);
-a slot to interface with a reprogrammable card (col. 5, lines 25-35 and fig. 1);
-software to generate single use transaction numbers (col. 6, lines 47-55 and col 12, line 30 - col. 13, line 5);
-a biometric scanner in order to combine biometric information with one or more additional authentication factors to secure financial transactions (col.5, lines 54-67 and col. 10, lines 49-65); and
-controls to allow a user to select one of a plurality of financial cards with which to program the transaction stripe of the card (col. 10, lines 29-48).
Thus, the subject-matter of claims 1, 2 and 4 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

2 Furthermore, the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1 comprises means for interacting with a user to provide a first authentication factor (col. 5, lines 54-67 and col. 10, lines 49-65).
The subject-matter of claim 5 therefore differs from this known portable transaction device in that it comprises :
-means for interacting with a secondary wireless device to provide a second authentication factor; and
-software to request a change in value of a prepaid card.
The present invention may therefore be regarded as solving the following two unrelated problems:
-provide reliable authentication of the user; and
-provide means for implementing financial card processing.
A solution to the first problem consisting in providing means for interacting with a secondary wireless device in order to allow secondary authentication is known from the prior art (see document D4, abstract, fig. 1, col. 11, lines 20-24 and lines 34-40) and applying this known solution to the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1, in order to solve the problem posed, would be obvious to the person

skilled in the art.
With regard to the second problem, given that the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1 is employable with calling cards (col. 11, lines 52-57) which are the most common example of a prepaid card, the possibility to provide software means for changing the value of such cards would be obvious to the skilled person.
Thus, the subject matter of claim 5 does not involve an inventive step in the sense of Article 33(3)PCT.

3 Document D5 (WO03077473) discloses (comparing to claim 12) a portable transaction device comprising a user authentication component to allow a user to authenticate to the portable transaction device (p. 4, lines 14-21 and p. 22, lines 5-14 and p. 24, lines 9-10); a cellular telephone component (p. 6, lines 1-9 and lines 19-28); and a value transfer component to operatively interface to another portable transaction device to refresh the value in a card (in D5 this is the value of the received electronic cheques stored in the second SIM card, see p. 4, lines 23-28, p. 13, line 26 - p. 14, line 2, p. 15, lines 2-5 and p. 27, lines 7-15). Even if the second SIM card defined in document D5 is not considered as being equivalent to a "stored value card" (the term "stored value card" being interpreted as "a card storing given amount and used to make payments or withdraw cash"), providing payment functionality through the second cart in order to simplify the use of the amount stored in the card, would be immediately obvious to the person skilled in the art.

Note: According to D5 the second card is already used to make cash withdrawals, see p. 27, lines 7-15, thus the only distinguishing feature of a stored value card in comparison to the second card is its use for making payments.

The use of a card with a portable transaction device in order to make payments is well known from the prior art (see for example document D7, p. 12, lines 3-16, fig. 1 and fig. 3).
Thus, the subject matter of claim 12 does not involve an inventive step in the sense of Article 33(3)PCT.

4 Furthermore (comparing to claim 17), the financial card defined in document D5 is reprogrammable (p. 7, lines 3-27), the cellular telephone has an interface to communicate with the reprogrammable card (implicit in document D5, since the financial card is the SIM card of the cellular telephone, p. 6, lines 19, 28), and the cellular telephone includes a software component to request a change in value of a

financial account (p. 13, lines 5-18).
Thus, the subject-matter of claim 17 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

5 The features defined in dependent claims 3, 6-11, 13-16 and 18-20 relate to implementation details and/or represent straightforward possibilities which the skilled person would select, in accordance with circumstances, without the exercise of inventive skill. None of these additional features in combination with the features of any claim to which the above-mentioned dependent claims refer, meets the requirements of the PCT with respect to inventive step (Article 33(3)PCT).

Re Item VII
Certain defects in the international application

Apparatus claims 1 and 5 have been drafted as separate independent claims, although they relate to much the same subject matter. The aforementioned claims therefore lack conciseness and as such do not meet the requirements of Article 6 PCT.
The same applies to apparatus claims 12 and 17.

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

(Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

(PCT Rule 44*bis*)

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	3, 5-20
	No:	Claims	1,2,4
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-20
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-20
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

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Re Item V

Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

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D1: US-A-6 016 476 (MAES ET AL) 18 January 2000 (2000-01-18)
D2: EP-A-1 291 748 (ALCATEL) 12 March 2003 (2003-03-12)

2 The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT for the following reasons:

2.1 Document D1 discloses (comparing to claim 1) a portable transaction device (fig. 1) having a biometric scanner (col. 5, lines 54-60) and a transaction stripe that may be operatively engaged with a point of sale stripe reader (col. 5, lines 25-35, col. 6, lines 28-41 and fig. 1), where the portable transaction device is configured to combine biometric information with one or more additional authentication factors to secure financial transactions (col. 5, lines 54-67 and col. 10, lines 49-65).
Furthermore, the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1 comprises (comparing to claim 2) a transaction stripe which may be selectively inserted into and removed from the portable transaction device (col. 5, lines 25-35 and fig. 1) and (comparing to claim 4) controls to allow a user to select one of a plurality of financial cards with which to program the transaction stripe (col. 10, lines 29-48).
Thus, the subject-matter of claims 1, 2 and 4 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

2.2 The subject-matter of claims 3, 8 and 15 differs from the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1 (see 2.1) in that it comprises :
-wireless interface for interacting with a secondary wireless device to provide a second authentication factor.
The present invention may therefore be regarded as solving the problem of providing reliable authentication of the user.
Faced with this problem the person skilled in the art would seek teaching and thus would consider document D2 which discloses a solution consisting in providing a

wireless interface for interacting with a secondary wireless device in order to allow secondary authentication (abstract, fig. 1, col. 11, lines 20-24 and lines 34-40). Given this information the person skilled in the art would adapt the portable transaction device disclosed in document D1 according to the solution disclosed in document D2, in order to solve the problem posed, thus arriving without the exercise of inventive skill (Article 33(3)PCT) at the subject matter of claims 3, 8 and 15.

2.3 The features defined in dependent claims 5-7, 9-14 and 16-20, relate to implementation details and/or represent straightforward possibilities which the skilled person would select, in accordance with circumstances, without the exercise of inventive skill. None of these additional features in combination with the features of any claim to which the above-mentioned dependent claims refer, meets the requirements of the PCT with respect to inventive step (Article 33(3)PCT).

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4. The International Bureau will communicate this report to designated Offices in accordance with Rules 44*bis*.3(c) and 93*bis*.1 but not, except where the applicant makes an express request under Article 23(2), before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date (Rule 44*bis* .2).

	Date of issuance of this report 28 August 2007 (28.08.2007)
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Applicant
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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	1-8,11-14,18-20
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Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-20
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2. Citations and explanations

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3.1 Independent Claim 9

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3.4 Dependent Claims 16-17

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4. Article 33(3) PCT

4.1 Independent Claim 1

The document D1 discloses a memory card (figure 1; page 2, paragraph 2 - page 5, paragraph 4) compatible with a memory card slot (page 4, paragraph 3), the memory card including non-volatile memory accessible by a device (ROM (12);

page 2, paragraph 2), a point-of -sale interface to communicate with a point-of-sale terminal (magnetic stripe; page 2, paragraph 4), and second non-volatile memory to hold financial transaction data (1 Mb Flash ROM (14); page 2, paragraph 4).

Thus, the memory card claimed differs from that of D1 in that:

i) The memory card is accessible by a mobile phone via the memory card slot being in a mobile phone; and
ii) the second memory is volatile memory as opposed to non-volatile memory.

The two features do not appear to combine to solve any particular problem but rather are directed at two separate respective problems namely:

i) How to enable a mobile phone to read data from a card.
ii) How to ensure financial transaction data is accessed rapidly.

With respect to problem i), the use of memory card slots is known in mobile phones (see D2, Abstract) and therefore the skilled person when presented with the task of enabling a mobile phone to read data from the card of D1 would consider it a normal design choice to provide the mobile phone with an appropriate card reader.

With respect to problem ii), the skilled person would be aware of that the contents of a Random Access Memory (RAM), which is volatile memory, can be accessed rapidly by storing said data in a volatile memory. He would be aware that a semiconductor memory chip for a smart card may comprise both volatile and non-volatile memory (see D3, abstract) and would therefore store data in either a volatile or non-volatile memory according to design choice in order to provide the desired function.

Thus, the skilled person would arrive at the subject-matter of claim 1 without making an inventive step.

4.2 Dependent Claims 2-8,11-14,18-20

The skilled person when starting from D1 as the closest prior art and with

knowledge of the documents D2-D4 would solve the respective problem posed without making an inventive step. See the relevant citations in the International Search Report.

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT AND THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY, OR THE DECLARATION

(PCT Rule 44.1)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115.001WO1	Date of mailing *(day/month/year)* 22/09/2006 **FOR FURTHER ACTION** See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2006/006361	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 21/02/2006
Applicant TYFONE, INC.	

1. [x] The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

   Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:
   The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the International Application (see Rule 46):

   When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the International Search Report.

   Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Fascimile No.: (41–22) 338.82.70

   For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. [ ] The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.

3. [ ] **With regard to the protest** against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

   [ ] the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.

   [ ] no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. **Reminders**

   Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90*bis*.1 and 90*bis*.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

   The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.

   Within **19 months** from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase **until 30 months** from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, **within 20 months** from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

   In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of **30 months** (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.

   See the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 and, for details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters and the WIPO Internet site.

Name and mailing address of the International Searching Authority European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL–2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31–70) 340–2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl, Fax: (+31–70) 340–3016	Authorized officer Roger Thomas

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NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, a publication of WIPO.

In these Notes, "Article", "Rule", and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims,description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I/A, Annexes B1 and B2).

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the fact that amendments to the claims under Article 19 are not allowed where the International Searching Authority has declared, under Article 17(2), that no international search report would be established (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I/A, paragraph 296).

What parts of the international application may be amended?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Section 205(b)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

What documents must/may accompany the amendments?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
115.001WO1		
International application No.	International filing date *(day/month/year)*	(Earliest) Priority Date *(day/month/year)*
PCT/US2006/006361	21/02/2006	22/02/2005
Applicant		
TYFONE, INC.		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 4 sheets.

[X] It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the report**
   a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of:
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      [ ] a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))
   b. [ ] With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. [ ] **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II)

3. [ ] **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box No III)

4. With regard to the **title**,
   [X] the text is approved as submitted by the applicant
   [ ] the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,
   [X] the text is approved as submitted by the applicant
   [ ] the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority

6. With regard to the **drawings**,
   a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1
      [X] as suggested by the applicant
      [ ] as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure
      [ ] as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention
   b. [ ] none of the figures is to be published with the abstract

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No
PCT/US2006/006361

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
INV. G06K19/073

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
G06Q G06K G07C

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)
EPO-Internal

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	GB 2 316 908 A (JOHN * COWLING) 11 March 1998 (1998-03-11) page 2, paragraph 2 - page 5, paragraph 4; figure 1	1
Y		2-8, 11-14, 19,20
A	US 2004/087339 A1 (GOLDTHWAITE SCOTT ET AL) 6 May 2004 (2004-05-06) abstract	1-8, 15-20
A	US 6 721 196 B1 (GRASSL THOMAS) 13 April 2004 (2004-04-13) abstract	1-8,19, 20

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[X] Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

[X] See patent family annex.

* Special categories of cited documents :

"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance

"E" earlier document but published on or after the international filing date

"L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)

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"&" document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search	Date of mailing of the international search report
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Y	the whole document	2-8, 11-14, 19,20

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		WO 2004043048 A2	21-05-2004
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		BR 0011868 A	09-04-2002
		CA 2377175 A1	04-01-2001
		CN 1358315 A	10-07-2002
		DE 19928733 A1	04-01-2001
		WO 0101418 A1	04-01-2001
		EP 1198797 A1	24-04-2002
		ES 2193968 T3	16-11-2003
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2. Citations and explanations

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4. Article 33(3) PCT

4.1 Independent Claim 1

The document D1 discloses a memory card (figure 1; page 2, paragraph 2 - page 5, paragraph 4) compatible with a memory card slot (page 4, paragraph 3), the memory card including non-volatile memory accessible by a device (ROM (12);

page 2, paragraph 2), a point-of -sale interface to communicate with a point-of-sale terminal (magnetic stripe; page 2, paragraph 4), and second non-volatile memory to hold financial transaction data (1 Mb Flash ROM (14); page 2, paragraph 4).

Thus, the memory card claimed differs from that of D1 in that:

i) The memory card is accessible by a mobile phone via the memory card slot being in a mobile phone; and
ii) the second memory is volatile memory as opposed to non-volatile memory.

The two features do not appear to combine to solve any particular problem but rather are directed at two separate respective problems namely:

i) How to enable a mobile phone to read data from a card.
ii) How to ensure financial transaction data is accessed rapidly.

With respect to problem i), the use of memory card slots is known in mobile phones (see D2, Abstract) and therefore the skilled person when presented with the task of enabling a mobile phone to read data from the card of D1 would consider it a normal design choice to provide the mobile phone with an appropriate card reader.

With respect to problem ii), the skilled person would be aware of that the contents of a Random Access Memory (RAM), which is volatile memory, can be accessed rapidly by storing said data in a volatile memory. He would be aware that a semiconductor memory chip for a smart card may comprise both volatile and non-volatile memory (see D3, abstract) and would therefore store data in either a volatile or non-volatile memory according to design choice in order to provide the desired function.

Thus, the skilled person would arrive at the subject-matter of claim 1 without making an inventive step.

4.2 Dependent Claims 2-8,11-14,18-20

The skilled person when starting from D1 as the closest prior art and with

knowledge of the documents D2-D4 would solve the respective problem posed without making an inventive step. See the relevant citations in the International Search Report.

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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-25
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-25
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-25
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

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Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

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Re Item VIII

Certain observations on the international application

The application contains more than one independent claim in the same category without meeting one of the following points: (a) a plurality of interrelated products (such as a plug and a socket), (b) different uses of a product, or (c) alternative solutions to a particular problem which cannot be covered by a single claim. None of this applies to the present application. Independent claims 1, 9, 15 and 20 are all apparatus/system claims disclosing the same subject-matter.

Moreover, the set of claims should be formulated concisely. A diversity of wording for defining one and the same invention should be avoided in order not to render the claims inconsistent with each other and thus unclear.

Consequently, in the present case, it is appropriate to use only one independent claim, namely one for an apparatus/system.

Re Item V

Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: WO 98/12674 A (WAVE HOLDINGS LIMITED; WHITE, MARTIN, DAVID; FIELD, JOHN, DESMOND) 26 March 1998 (1998-03-26)

D2: EP-A-1 117 068 (C. MEDIA CO. LTD; ITOCHU CORPORATION) 18 July 2001 (2001-07-18)

D3: EP-A-1 014 290 (NOKIA CORPORATION; NOKIA MOBILE PHONES LTD) 28 June 2000 (2000-06-28)

D4: US-B1-6 189 786 (ITOU SHINJU ET AL) 20 February 2001 (2001-02-20)

D5: WO 00/14678 A (IC TV INTERACTIVE CYBER TELEVISION INC; COMBALUZIER, PIERRE, MICHEL) 16 March 2000 (2000-03-16)

The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the

subject-matter of claims 1, 9, 15 and 20 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

1. Independent claim 1:

The document D1 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):
An apparatus (fig. 1) comprising:
- a body portion having a contour to receive an intelligent electronic device (fig. 1: ref. 14 and fig. 8b);
- a first interface to provide communication with the electronic device (fig. 1: ref. 14 and fig. 8b) and;
- a second interface to provide communication with an electronic transaction card (fig. 1: ref.25 and figure 5)

Therefore, the subject-matter of independent claim 1 is **not new (Article 33(2) PCT)**.

2. Independent claim 9:

Document D2 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):
A sleeve to provide communication between a handheld intelligent electronic device and an electronic transaction card (figure 12c: ref. J1), the sleeve comprising:
- an add-on slot to receive the electronic transaction card (fig. 12c: ref. 85); and
- an interface to communicate with the handheld intelligent electronic device (fig. 12c: ref. D1)

Therefore, the subject-matter of independent claim 9 is **not new (Article 33(2) PCT)**.

3. Independent claims 15 and 20:

The same reasoning applies, mutatis mutandis, to the subject-matter of the corresponding independent claims 15 and 20 which are also considered not new.

4. Dependent claims:

Dependent do not contain any features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements of the PCT in respect of novelty and/or inventive step, see documents D1-D5 and the corresponding passages cited in the search report.

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4. Additional comments:

Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of

☐ the entire international application

☒ claims Nos. 13-23

because:

☐ the said international application, or the said claims Nos. relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international search *(specify)*:

☐ the description, claims or drawings *(indicate particular elements below)* or said claims Nos. are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed *(specify)*:

☐ the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed *(specify)*:

☒ no international search report has been established for the whole application or for said claims Nos. 13-23

☐ a meaningful opinion could not be formed without the sequence listing; the applicant did not, within the prescribed time limit:

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☐ See Supplemental Box for further details

Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention

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   ☐ paid additional fees

   ☐ paid additional fees under protest and, where applicable, the protest fee

   ☐ paid additional fees under protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid

   ☒ not paid additional fees

2. ☐ This Authority found that the requirement of unity of invention is not complied with and chose not to invite the applicant to pay additional fees.

3. This Authority considers that the requirement of unity of invention in accordance with Rule 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3 is

   ☐ complied with

   ☒ not complied with for the following reasons:

   see separate sheet

4. Consequently, this report has been established in respect of the following parts of the international application:

   ☐ all parts.

   ☒ the parts relating to claims Nos. 1-12

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims	1-12
	No:	Claims	
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-12
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-12
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

   see separate sheet

Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

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Re Item IV.

The separate inventions/groups of inventions are:

Claims 1 - 12:
Independent apparatus claim 1 claims an electronic stripe card comprising a conductive path with two portions in sufficient distance to each other in order to allow the first portion to mimic a magnetic track without interference from a magnetic field from the second portion.
Independent apparatus claim 4 claims an electronic stripe card comprising two layers and a conductive path alternating between the two layers wherein the two path portions on the respective layers are in sufficient distance to each other in order to avoid magnetic interference.
The claims concern the problem of how to provide a magnetic track mimic using less material.

Claims 13 - 23:
Independent apparatus claim 13 claims an electronic stripe card having two conductive paths, each path to mimic a track in a magnetic card, further having a swipe sensor and an interleaved track driver circuit.
Independent method claim 19 claims a method comprising the step of detecting a swipe by swipe sensor and the step of interleaved driving first and second conductive paths to mimic a respective magnetic track.
Both claims concern the problem of how to save power in the reading mode and how to eliminate cross talk between two tracks.

They are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept (Rule 13.1 PCT) for the following reasons:

Document WO2005/027030 (24.03.2005) shows in its figures 1 - 3 a magnetic stripe card having a conductive path for mimicking a magnetic track (cf. fig. 3A). Hence, the common features of the independent claims are known from the prior art. The remaining features of independent claims 1 and 4 on one hand and of independent claims 13 and 19 on the other hand concern mutually exclusive objective problems (cf. above claim analysis) and

their solutions (Rule 13.2 PCT).

Re Item V.

1 Reference is made to the following document:

D1 : WO 2005/027030 A (HUMAN TECHNOLOGIES INC [JP]; KUROKAWA FUJIO [JP]; HIGUCHI TSUYOSHI [JP) 24 March 2005 (2005-03-24)

2 INDEPENDENT CLAIM 1

2.1 The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject matter of claim 1 does not involve an inventive step in the sense of Article 33(3)PCT.

2.1.1 Document D1, which is considered to represent the most relevant state of the art to the subject matter of claim 1, discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document) an electronic stripe card (1) comprising
a conductive path having first portions oriented to carry current in a "z" direction (cf. fig. 5: 133(13)) and having second portions oriented to carry current in a "-z" direction (135(13)),
wherein the first and second portions are separated (cf. fig. 5).

2.1.2 The subject-matter of independent claim 1 differs from the disclosure of D1 in that D1 does not explicitly state in its English abstract (the rest of the document being provided in Japanese) that the first and second portions are separated by a sufficient distance to allow a magnetic field created by the first portions to mimic a magnetic track without interference from a magnetic field created by the second portions.

2.1.3 Figures 3B, 4B and 5B of D1, however, provide a strong hint to the skilled person by the shown magnetic field lines that the distance between the upper

and the lower portion should be large enough in order avoid interference of the magnetic field of the upper portion by the lower portion, thereby arriving at the subject-matter of claim 1.

2.1.4 Therefore, the subject-matter of claim 1 does not involve an inventive step (Article 33(3) PCT).

3 INDEPENDENT CLAIM 4

3.1.1 Document D1, which is considered to represent the most relevant state of the art to the subject matter of claim 1, discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document) an electronic stripe card (1) comprising
a top metal layer (cf. fig. 5: 133(13)) and a bottom metal layer (135(13)) without magnetic material therebetween, and
a conductive path alternating between the top metal layer and the bottom metal layer (cf. fig. 5A: the conductive path can be interpreted as alternating).

3.1.2 The subject-matter of independent claim 1 differs from the disclosure of D1 in that D1 does not explicitly state in its English abstract that the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic flux interference.

3.1.3 For the same reasons as given in above paragraph 2.1.3 for claim 1 the subject-matter of claim 4 does not involve an inventive step (Article 33(3) PCT).

4 DEPENDENT CLAIMS 2, 3, 5 - 12

Dependent claims 2, 3 and 5 - 12 do not contain any features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements of the PCT in respect of inventive step (Article 33(3) PCT).

Re Item VII.

5 Claims 2 and 3 are obviously erroneously dependent on claim 4 instead of being dependent on claim 1.

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Box No. V **Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-26	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-26	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-26	YES
	Claims	None	NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-26 lack novelty under PCT article 33(2) as being anticipated by US 2005/0022002 A1 to Poisner.

As to claim 1, Poisner discloses a method comprising: receiving a memory access command, the memory access command including an address field and a data field (see para [0050]); comparing at least a portion of the data field to a predetermined data value to determine if there is a match ('the data field may contain one or more bits indicating whether the command is a protected command' see para [0050]-[0051]); if there is not a match, performing a memory access according to the memory access command (' If not, the command is determined to be directed to non-protected configuration space, and processing continues in FIG. 3B at point "B" of the flow chart' see Fig 3B, para [0049]); and if there is a match, diverting the memory access command for further interpretation (' If the command is determined to be a protected command, processing may continue in FIG. 3B at point "A" of the flow chart' see Fig 3B, para [0051]).

As to claim 2, Poisner discloses a method further comprising comparing the address field with a predetermined address value to determine if there is an address match, and diverting the memory access command only when there is also an address match ('After the command is detected by interface logic and the destination address of the command is decoded, it may be determined at block 310 whether the destination address is in a range of addresses designated as the configuration space' see Fig 3A, para [0047]).

As to claim 3, Poisner discloses a method wherein diverting the memory access command comprises passing at least some of the data field to a non-memory controller component for further interpretation (' Configuration "space" is a conceptual term that refers to the range(s) of addresses that are reserved for implementation in logic circuit 120 for various activities, with accesses that are targeted to any address within the configuration space being redirected to various portions of logic circuit 120 rather than to memory 140 or to input-output devices' see para [0011], para [0049]).

As to claim 4, Poisner discloses a method further comprising reading a password from the data field to authenticate access to the non-memory controller component ('The fifth, sixth, and seventh blocks (0400-06FF) may be used to hold one or more cryptographic keys, which may be used during protected processing for encrypting, decrypting, and/or validating data' see para [0041]).

As to claim 5, Poisner discloses an article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon that when accessed result in a machine (see para [0008]): comparing data received with a memory write command to a predetermined data value to determine whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command or whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command ('Read or write commands to at least a portion of the addresses in the configuration space are redirected to configuration registers in logic circuit 120. In some embodiments, another portion of the addresses in the configuration space are used for commands that trigger some type of action within the logic circuit 120 rather than being used to store data in, or read data from, a register' see para [0011]).

As to claim 6, Poisner discloses an article wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the machine forwarding the memory write command to a memory controller component when the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command. (see para [0011]-[0013]).

As to claim 7, Poisner discloses an article wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the machine forwarding the memory write command to a non-memory controller component when the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command ('Configuration space may be implemented with addresses that would otherwise be part of memory address space or input-output (I/O) address space. Read or write commands to at least a portion of the addresses in the configuration space are redirected to configuration registers in logic circuit 120' see abstract, para [0010]-[0012]).

As to claim 8, Poisner discloses an article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon (see para [0008]) that when accessed result in a machine: comparing an address field received with a memory write command to a predetermined address value to determine whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a memory write command or whether the memory write command should be interpreted as a command other than a memory write command ('the address itself may be sufficient to indicate whether the command is a protected command' see Fig 3A-3B, para [0049]-[0051]).

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As to claim 9, Poisner discloses a method comprising populating fields in a memory write command to be sent to a memory card interface (interface logic) by populating at least a first portion of a data field with a data pattern to identify the memory write command as a command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write ('the data field may contain one or more bits indicating whether the command is a protected command,' see para [0047], para [0050]).

As to claim 10, Poisner discloses a method further comprising prior to populating the fields, receiving a copy of the data pattern from a device coupled to the memory card interface ('placing predetermined data on the data lines' see para [0010]).

As to claim 11, Poisner discloses a method further comprising populating an address field with an address value to further identify the memory write command as a command to be diverted for purposes other than a memory write ('placing a predetermined address on the address lines' see para [0010]).

As to claim 12, Poisner discloses a method further comprising populating a second portion of the data field with a command index to specify a purpose other than a memory write ('For example, a command may set or clear a hardware flag, initiate a microcode sequence, or cause some other event to happen' see para [0053]).

As to claim 13, Poisner discloses a method further comprising populating a second portion of the data field with a password to authenticate access to a device coupled to the memory card interface ('The fifth, sixth, and seventh blocks (0400-06FF) may be used to hold one or more cryptographic keys, which may be used during protected processing for encrypting, decrypting, and/or validating data' see para [0041]).

As to claim 14, Poisner discloses a method further comprising: issuing the memory write command to a device coupled to the memory card interface followed by issuing a memory read command to the device coupled to the memory card interface ('in response to the address being directed to configuration space, determine which of the following actions is associated with that particular address and perform that action' see para [0018]).

As to claim 15, Poisner discloses an article having a machine readable medium with instructions stored thereon (see para [0008]) that when accessed result in a mobile computing device: accessing a non-memory control function in a device coupled to a memory card interface (interface logic) of the mobile computing device by populating a data field of a memory card write command with a data pattern to identify the memory card write command as a command to be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write ('the data field may contain one or more bits indicating whether the command is a protected command,' see para [0047], para [0050]).

As to claim 16, Poisner discloses an article wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the mobile computing device populating the data field with a password to authenticate access to the device coupled to the memory card interface ('The fifth, sixth, and seventh blocks (0400-06FF) may be used to hold one or more cryptographic keys, which may be used during protected processing for encrypting, decrypting, and/or validating data' see para [0041]).

As to claim 17, Poisner discloses an article wherein the instructions, when accessed, further result in the mobile computing device populating the data field with a command index to specify a purpose other than a memory write ('For example, a command may set or clear a hardware flag, initiate a microcode sequence, or cause some other event to happen' see para [0053]).

As to claim 18, Poisner discloses a memory card compatible device (see para [0008]) comprising: a host interface to receive memory write commands ('interface logic' see para [0047]); non-memory controller component coupled to the host interface to interpret data included within the memory write commands as non-memory related commands ('it may be determined at block 310 whether the destination address is in a range of addresses designated as the configuration space. If not, processing may proceed at block 315 in a manner labeled in FIG. 3A as "normal processing", which may be any processing not involving the configuration space' see para [0047]).

As to claim 19, Poisner discloses a memory card compatible device further comprising: non-volatile memory; a memory controller component coupled to the non-volatile memory; and a memory command routing component coupled to the host interface and the non-memory controller component, the memory command routing component including logic to determine whether to route a memory write command to the memory controller or the non-memory controller based on the data included within the memory write command ('placing predetermined data on the data lines' see para [0008], para [0010]).

As to claim 20, Poisner discloses a device comprising: a host interface compatible with a memory card interface of a mobile computing device ('computing devices', see Fig 1, para [0010], 'interface logic' see para [0047]); and a memory command routing component to interpret memory card write commands to determine whether the memory card write command should be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write based on at least a portion of the data to be written, wherein the memory command routing component is coupled to receive the memory card write command from the host interface ('After the command is detected by interface logic and the destination address of the command is decoded, it may be determined at block 310 whether the destination address is in a range of addresses designated as the configuration space', 'the data field may contain one or more bits indicating whether the command is a protected command' see para [0047]-[0050]).

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As to claim 21, Poisner discloses a device further comprising: a memory controller component coupled to receive memory write commands from the memory command routing component (see para [0013]).

As to claim 22, Poisner discloses a device further comprising: a non-memory controller component coupled to receive diverted memory write commands from the memory command routing component ('Configuration "space" is a conceptual term that refers to the range(s) of addresses that are reserved for implementation in logic circuit 120 for various activities, with accesses that are targeted to any address within the configuration space being redirected to various portions of logic circuit 120 rather than to memory 140 or to input-output devices' see para [0011]).

As to claim 23, Poisner discloses a device comprising: a host interface compatible with a memory card interface of a mobile computing device (see para [0047]); and a memory command routing component to interpret memory card write commands to determine whether the memory card write command should be diverted for a purpose other than a memory write based on at least a portion of an address to be written, wherein the memory command routing component is coupled to receive the memory card write command from the host interface ('After the command is detected by interface logic and the destination address of the command is decoded, it may be determined at block 310 whether the destination address is in a range of addresses designated as the configuration space', 'the address itself may be sufficient to indicate whether the command is a protected command' see para [0047]-[0050]).

As to claim 24, Poisner discloses a method comprising: receiving, at a non-memory control component in a memory card compatible device, an activation code in a data field of a memory write command ; comparing the activation code to a known value to detect a match ('Microcode that initiates a command over processor bus 130 may identify the command as a protected command in various ways, including but not limited to:.. placing predetermined data on the data lines' see para [0008], para [0010]); and if there is a match, requesting a password to be used in subsequent authentications to the non-memory control component in a memory card compatible device ('The fifth, sixth, and seventh blocks (0400-06FF) may be used to hold one or more cryptographic keys, which may be used during protected processing for encrypting, decrypting, and/or validating data' see para [0041]).

As to claim 25, Poisner discloses a method further comprising receiving non-memory related commands hidden in the data field of memory write commands, wherein the non- memory related commands include the password ('cryptographic keys' see para [0041], para [0048]-[0050]).

As to claim 26, Poisner discloses a method further comprising receiving a plurality of activation codes, wherein each of the plurality of activation codes corresponds to the activation of a different non-memory control component in the memory card compatible device (' The fifth, sixth, and seventh blocks (0400-06FF) may be used to hold one or more cryptographic keys, which may be used during protected processing for encrypting, decrypting, and/or validating data. In one embodiment, this entire space may be implemented as read-only registers that hold a single embedded key, but other embodiments may implement this space in other ways' see para [0041]).

Claims 1-26 have industrial applicability as defined by PCT Article 33(4) because the subject matter can be made or used in industry.

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Application Data Sheet 37 CFR 1.76	Attorney Docket Number	115.026US4
	Application Number	
Title of Invention	13.56 MHZ ENHANCEMENT CIRCUIT FOR SMARTCARD CONTROLLER	

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Secrecy Order 37 CFR 5.2

☐ Portions or all of the application associated with this Application Data Sheet may fall under a Secrecy Order pursuant to 37 CFR 5.2 (Paper filers only. Applications that fall under Secrecy Order may not be filed electronically.)

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Correspondence Information:

Enter either Customer Number or complete the Correspondence Information section below.
For further information see 37 CFR 1.33(a).

☐ **An Address is being provided for the correspondence Information of this application.**

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Application Information:

Title of the Invention	13.56 MHZ ENHANCEMENT CIRCUIT FOR SMARTCARD CONTROLLER		
Attorney Docket Number	115.026US4	**Small Entity Status Claimed**	☐
Application Type	Nonprovisional		
Subject Matter	Utility		
Total Number of Drawing Sheets (if any)	30	**Suggested Figure for Publication (if any)**	39

Filing By Reference :

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For the purposes of a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b), the description and any drawings of the present application are replaced by this reference to the previously filed application, subject to conditions and requirements of 37 CFR 1.57(a).

Application number of the previously filed application	Filing date (YYYY-MM-DD)	Intellectual Property Authority or Country i

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Customer Number	35781		

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Prior Application Status	Pending		Remove
Application Number	Continuity Type	Prior Application Number	Filing Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
	Continuation of	14460647	2014-08-15
Prior Application Status	Pending		Remove
Application Number	Continuity Type	Prior Application Number	Filing Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
14460647	Continuation of	13871849	2013-04-26
Prior Application Status	Patented		Remove

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13871849	Continuation of	12188346	2008-08-08	7961101	2011-06-14
Prior Application Status	Patented				Remove

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13871849	Continuation of	13038341	2011-03-01	8451122	2013-05-28
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13038341	Continuation in part of	12188346	2008-08-08	7961101	2011-06-14

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Statement under 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78 for AIA (First Inventor to File) Transition Applications

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.14(h)(3), access will be provided to a copy of the instant patent application with respect to: 1) the instant patent application-as-filed; 2) any foreign application to which the instant patent application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) if a copy of the foreign application that satisfies the certified copy requirement of 37 CFR 1.55 has been filed in the instant patent application; and 3) any U.S. application-as-filed from which benefit is sought in the instant patent application.

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Applicant Information:

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Applicant 1 Remove

If the applicant is the inventor (or the remaining joint inventor or inventors under 37 CFR 1.45), this section should not be completed. The information to be provided in this section is the name and address of the legal representative who is the applicant under 37 CFR 1.43; or the name and address of the assignee, person to whom the inventor is under an obligation to assign the invention, or person who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest in the matter who is the applicant under 37 CFR 1.46. If the applicant is an applicant under 37 CFR 1.46 (assignee, person to whom the inventor is obligated to assign, or person who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest) together with one or more joint inventors, then the joint inventor or inventors who are also the applicant should be identified in this section.

Clear

◉ Assignee	○ Legal Representative under 35 U.S.C. 117	○ Joint Inventor
○ Person to whom the inventor is obligated to assign.	○ Person who shows sufficient proprietary interest	

If applicant is the legal representative, indicate the authority to file the patent application, the inventor is:

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United States Patent Application

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Title of Invention: ACTIVE CIRCUIT FOR RFID

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is directed to United States application number 13/871,849 filed on 4/26/2013.

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the application, including the claims.

I am aware of the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56

I hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 U.S.C. 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.

I hereby appoint Practitioner(s) associated with the following Customer Number as my attorney(s) or agent(s), with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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Signature: Siva G. Narendra Date: 7/18/2013

Legal name of inventor: Saurav Chakraborty

Signature: Saurav Chakraborty Date: 18 July 2013

Legal name of inventor: Prabhakar Tadepalli

Signature: Prabhakar Tadepalli Date: 7/18/2013

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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C/O CPA GLOBAL
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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT AND THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY, OR THE DECLARATION

(PCT Rule 44.1)

Date of mailing *(day/month/year)*	15 APR 2010
Applicant's or agent's file reference 115024WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION** See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2010/025014	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 23 February 2010
Applicant TYFONE, INC.	

1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

   Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:
   The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):

   When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report.

   Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: +41 22 338 82 70

   For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. ☐ The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.

3. ☐ **With regard to the protest** against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

   ☐ the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.

   ☐ no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. **Reminders**

   Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90*bis*.1 and 90*bis*.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

   The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.

   Within **19 months** from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase **until 30 months** from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, **within 20 months** from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

   In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of **30 months** (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.

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Name and mailing address of the ISA/US Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Facsimile No. 571-273-3201	Authorized officer: Blaine R. Copenheaver Telephone No. 571-272-7774

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115024WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/US2010/025014	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 23 February 2010	(Earliest) Priority Date *(day/month/year)* 24 February 2009
Applicant TYPONE, INC.		

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 2 sheets.

☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the report**

   a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

   ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed.

   ☐ a translation of the international application into _____ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).

   b. ☐ This international search report has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43.6*bis*(a)).

   c. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (see Box No. II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box No. III).

4. With regard to the **title**,

   ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

   ☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

   ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

   ☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2, by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

   a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 4

   ☐ as suggested by the applicant.

   ☒ as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

   ☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

   b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US2010/025014

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC(8) - G06K 19/077 (2010.01)
USPC - 257/679
According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC(8) - B42D 15/00; G06K 19/07, 19/077 (2010.01)
USPC - 235/380, 488, 492; 257/531, 679; 361/737

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
PatBase; Google Patents

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2005/0168339 A1 (ARAI et al) 04 August 2005 (04.08.2005) entire document	1-23
A	US 2001/0002035 A1 (KAYANAKIS) 31 May 2001 (31.05.2001) entire document	1-23
A	US 6,588,660 B1 (BUESCHER et al) 08 July 2003 (08.07.2003) entire document	1-23
A	US 2007/0257797 A1 (RANCIEN et al) 08 November 2007 (08.11.2007) entire document	1-23

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Box No. V **Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	8-23	YES
	Claims	1-7	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-23	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-23	YES
	Claims	None	NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-7 lack novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Arai et al. (hereafter Arai).

Referring to claim 1, Arai discloses an inductive element (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna) comprising: a bottom surface (10); and a plurality of layers (11, 15, 16, 24; Figs. 1A-3B) substantially parallel to the bottom surface (Figs. 1A-3B), the plurality of layers including a combination of electrically conductive material (18, 22 and 56 are all conductive) and electrically insulating material (27, 55 and 58 are all insulating) such that when bonded together the plurality of layers form at least one conductive coil (11, 13) having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the bottom surface (Paras. [0082] and [0088]; Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 2, Arai discloses the inductive element of claim 1, further comprising bonding areas on the bottom surface (Para. [0086]).

Referring to claim 3, Arai discloses the inductive element of claim 1, further wherein the plurality of layers include magnetic material forming a magnetic core within the at least one conductive coil (Para. [0088] – In the present embodiment mode, the antenna structure using an electromagnetic induction type is employed. However, any of an electromagnetic coupling type using mutual induction of a coil due to an AC magnetic field).

Referring to claim 4, Arai discloses a multilayer inductive coupling element (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna) comprising: a lower layer (11) having at least one conductive surface trace with trace ends (12; Paras. [0073] and [0074]); at least one intermediate layer having conductive through-traces (21) at locations to electrically contact the trace ends on the lower layer (Figs. 4A-7C); and an upper layer having at least one conductive surface trace (21b) aligned to electrically contact the conductive through-traces (21c) to form a conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) having at least one turn (Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 5, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further wherein the at least one intermediate layer (28) comprises magnetic material (Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) positioned between the through traces (Fig. 2B).

Referring to claim 6, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further wherein the lower layer (11) includes magnetic material (Cl. 12 – antenna is Ni, Fe or Co, all of which are magnetic; Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) positioned beyond the trace ends (12; Fig. 2B).

Referring to claim 7, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further comprising a bottom layer (28) beneath the lower layer (11; Fig. 2B), the bottom layer including magnetic material (Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) to be positioned beneath the at least one conductive trace (12) in the lower layer (Fig. 2B).

Claims 8-23 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Arai et al. (hereafter Arai).

Referring to claim 8, Arai discloses an electronic device comprising: a circuit board (Para. [0016]); a contactless communications device affixed to the circuit board (Para. [0008]), the contactless communications device having an antenna port (11, 12); and an inductive element affixed to the circuit board and electrically coupled to the antenna port, the inductive element having a conductive coil with a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna), but fails to explicitly disclose of the circuit board comprising a memory card slot interface. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 9, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 8, further wherein the inductive element comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13; Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna; Figs. 1A-9B).

Referring to claim 10, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 9, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially parallel to the circuit board (Figs. 1A-3B).

Supplemental Box

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Referring to claim 11, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 9, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10).

Referring to claims 12-14, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 8, but fails to explicitly disclose [Cl. 12] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; [Cl. 13] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; or [Cl. 14] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, and [Cl. 12] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; [Cl. 13] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; or [Cl. 14] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art, and since Secure Digital (SD), micro Secure Digital (SD), and mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interfaces are well-known in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 15, Arai discloses an apparatus comprising: a substrate having at least one surface (10), an inner edge (right edge of 10 in Fig. 2B), and an outer edge opposite (left edge of 10 in Fig. 2B) the inner edge; electrical contacts (11, 12) on the at least one surface (surface of 10) and situated along the inner edge (Figs. 1A-6B); and a conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) situated along the outer edge (Figs. 1A-6B), the conductive coil having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10), but fails to explicitly disclose of said substrate comprising a memory card compatible substrate. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 16, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein: the at least one surface includes a top surface (surface of 10 facing 28 in Fig. 2B) and a bottom surface (surface of 10 visible in Fig. 2B) substantially parallel to each other; and the electrical contacts (11, 12) are on the top surface, and the conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) is on the top surface (Fig. 6A).

Referring to claim 17, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein: the at least one surface includes a top surface (surface of 10 visible in 2B) and a bottom surface (surface of 10 facing 28 in Fig. 2B) substantially parallel to each other; and the electrical contacts (11) are on the top surface, and the conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) is on the bottom surface (Fig. 5B).

Referring to claim 18, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein the conductive coil comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13; Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna; Figs. 1A-9B).

Referring to claim 19, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 18, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially parallel to the circuit board (Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 20, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 18, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10).

Referring to claim 21, Arai discloses an apparatus comprising: a substrate having at least one surface (10), an inner edge (right edge of 10 in Fig. 2B), and an outer edge opposite (left edge of 10 in Fig. 2B) the inner edge; electrical contacts (11, 12) on the at least one surface (surface of 10) and situated along the inner edge (Figs. 1A-6B); and a three dimensional conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) situated along the outer edge (Figs. 1A-6B), but fails to explicitly disclose of said substrate comprising a memory card compatible substrate. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 22, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 21, but fails to explicitly disclose wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, and wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art, and since micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interfaces are well-known in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 23, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 22, further wherein the three dimensional conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) has a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface of the memory card (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10; Para. [0002] regarding functions as a memory and includes card).

Claims 1-23 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4) and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the *PCT Applicant's Guide*.

In these Notes, "Article," "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B).

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the fact that amendments to the claims under Article 19 are not allowed where the International Searching Authority has declared, under Article 17(2), that no international search report would be established (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraph 296).

What parts of the international application may be amended?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet or sheets containing a complete set of claims in replacement of all the claims previously filed must be submitted.

Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively in Arabic numerals (Section 205(a)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

What documents must/may accompany the amendments?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.

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SEQUENCE LISTINGS AND TABLES RELATED THERETO IN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS FILED IN THE U.S. RECEIVING OFFICE

The Administrative Instructions (AIs) under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), in force as of **July 1, 2009**, contain important changes relating to the manner of filing, and applicable fees for, sequence listings and/or tables related thereto (sequence-related tables) in international applications. The complete text may be accessed at http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.htm.

Effective July 1, 2009, Part 8 and Annex C-*bis* will no longer form part of the AIs. Part 8 was introduced in 2001 as a temporary solution to problems arising from the filing of very large sequence listings on paper and provided for a *sequence listing forming part of the international application* to be filed in electronic form on physical medium (*e.g.*, CD), together with the remainder of the application on paper. In 2002, Part 8 was expanded to include sequence-related tables and Annex C-*bis* was added to provide technical requirements. All applicants may now file complete international applications in electronic form, eliminating the need for these temporary provisions.

I. AIS PART 8 AND ANNEX C-*BIS DELETED AS OF JULY 1, 2009*

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II. CALCULATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FILING FEE AND FEE REDUCTION UNDER AI § 707

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III. AVAILABILITY OF SEQUENCE LISTINGS SUBMITTED FOR SEARCH UNDER PCT RULE *13TER*

International Searching Authorities will be required to transmit to the International Bureau a copy of an Annex C/ST.25 text format sequence listing provided for search under PCT Rule 13*ter*. Any such sequence listing will be made available on PATENTSCOPE® (*sequence listings forming part of the international application* are already available).

IV. JULY 2009 REQUEST (PCT/RO/101)

The Request now has two options for the last sheet: one for paper filings; and one for EFS-Web filings. The July 2009 Request may be accessed at http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/index.htm.

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1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 *bis*.1(a).

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 5 sheets, including this cover sheet.

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Box No. V **Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	8-23	YES
	Claims	1-7	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	None	YES
	Claims	1-23	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-23	YES
	Claims	None	NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-7 lack novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Arai et al. (hereafter Arai).

Referring to claim 1, Arai discloses an inductive element (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna) comprising: a bottom surface (10); and a plurality of layers (11, 15, 16, 24; Figs. 1A-3B) substantially parallel to the bottom surface (Figs. 1A-3B), the plurality of layers including a combination of electrically conductive material (18, 22 and 56 are all conductive) and electrically insulating material (27, 55 and 58 are all insulating) such that when bonded together the plurality of layers form at least one conductive coil (11, 13) having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the bottom surface (Paras. [0082] and [0088]; Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 2, Arai discloses the inductive element of claim 1, further comprising bonding areas on the bottom surface (Para. [0086]).

Referring to claim 3, Arai discloses the inductive element of claim 1, further wherein the plurality of layers include magnetic material forming a magnetic core within the at least one conductive coil (Para. [0088] – In the present embodiment mode, the antenna structure using an electromagnetic induction type is employed. However, any of an electromagnetic coupling type using mutual induction of a coil due to an AC magnetic field).

Referring to claim 4, Arai discloses a multilayer inductive coupling element (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna) comprising: a lower layer (11) having at least one conductive surface trace with trace ends (12; Paras. [0073] and [0074]); at least one intermediate layer having conductive through-traces (21) at locations to electrically contact the trace ends on the lower layer (Figs. 4A-7C); and an upper layer having at least one conductive surface trace (21b) aligned to electrically contact the conductive through-traces (21c) to form a conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) having at least one turn (Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 5, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further wherein the at least one intermediate layer (28) comprises magnetic material (Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) positioned between the through traces (Fig. 2B).

Referring to claim 6, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further wherein the lower layer (11) includes magnetic material (Cl. 12 – antenna is Ni, Fe or Co, all of which are magnetic; Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) positioned beyond the trace ends (12; Fig. 2B).

Referring to claim 7, Arai discloses the multilayer inductive coupling element of claim 4, further comprising a bottom layer (28) beneath the lower layer (11; Fig. 2B), the bottom layer including magnetic material (Cl. 14 – filler is nickel, which is magnetic) to be positioned beneath the at least one conductive trace (12) in the lower layer (Fig. 2B).

Claims 8-23 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Arai et al. (hereafter Arai).

Referring to claim 8, Arai discloses an electronic device comprising: a circuit board (Para. [0016]); a contactless communications device affixed to the circuit board (Para. [0008]), the contactless communications device having an antenna port (11, 12); and an inductive element affixed to the circuit board and electrically coupled to the antenna port, the inductive element having a conductive coil with a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna), but fails to explicitly disclose of the circuit board comprising a memory card slot interface. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 9, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 8, further wherein the inductive element comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13; Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna; Figs. 1A-9B).

Referring to claim 10, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 9, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially parallel to the circuit board (Figs. 1A-3B).

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Referring to claim 11, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 9, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10).

Referring to claims 12-14, Arai discloses the electronic device of claim 8, but fails to explicitly disclose [Cl. 12] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; [Cl. 13] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; or [Cl. 14] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, and [Cl. 12] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; [Cl. 13] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface; or [Cl. 14] wherein the memory card slot interface comprises a mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interface, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art, and since Secure Digital (SD), micro Secure Digital (SD), and mini Secure Digital (SD) compatible interfaces are well-known in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 15, Arai discloses an apparatus comprising: a substrate having at least one surface (10), an inner edge (right edge of 10 in Fig. 2B), and an outer edge opposite (left edge of 10 in Fig. 2B) the inner edge; electrical contacts (11, 12) on the at least one surface (surface of 10) and situated along the inner edge (Figs. 1A-6B); and a conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) situated along the outer edge (Figs. 1A-6B), the conductive coil having a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10), but fails to explicitly disclose of said substrate comprising a memory card compatible substrate. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 16, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein: the at least one surface includes a top surface (surface of 10 facing 28 in Fig. 2B) and a bottom surface (surface of 10 visible in Fig. 2B) substantially parallel to each other; and the electrical contacts (11, 12) are on the top surface, and the conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) is on the top surface (Fig. 6A).

Referring to claim 17, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein: the at least one surface includes a top surface (surface of 10 visible in 2B) and a bottom surface (surface of 10 facing 28 in Fig. 2B) substantially parallel to each other; and the electrical contacts (11) are on the top surface, and the conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) is on the bottom surface (Fig. 5B).

Referring to claim 18, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 15 wherein the conductive coil comprises a multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13; Para. [0082] - electromagnetic induction type and a non-contact type ID label using a coiled antenna; Figs. 1A-9B).

Referring to claim 19, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 18, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially parallel to the circuit board (Figs. 1A-3B).

Referring to claim 20, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 18, further wherein the multilayer surface-mount inductor (11, 12 and 13) is formed with layers substantially perpendicular to the circuit board (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10).

Referring to claim 21, Arai discloses an apparatus comprising: a substrate having at least one surface (10), an inner edge (right edge of 10 in Fig. 2B), and an outer edge opposite (left edge of 10 in Fig. 2B) the inner edge; electrical contacts (11, 12) on the at least one surface (surface of 10) and situated along the inner edge (Figs. 1A-6B); and a three dimensional conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) situated along the outer edge (Figs. 1A-6B), but fails to explicitly disclose of said substrate comprising a memory card compatible substrate. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 22, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 21, but fails to explicitly disclose wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor. Arai does, however, teach that the circuit board comprises a memory (Para. [0002]). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to provide a memory card slot interface on the circuit board of Arai, and wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor, since the separating of parts which were once integral involves only routine skill in the art, and since micro Secure Digital (SD) compatible interfaces are well-known in the art. The motivation being to allow the user the ability to separate the memory from the device for security and/or use in other applications.

Referring to claim 23, Arai discloses the apparatus of claim 22, further wherein the three dimensional conductive coil (11, 12 and 13) has a field coupling surface area substantially perpendicular to the at least one surface of the memory card (Figs. 4A-7C, where 11, 12 and 13 extend perpendicularly from 10; Para. [0002] regarding functions as a memory and includes card).

Claims 1-23 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4) and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 115026WO1	**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

International application No.	International filing date *(day/month/year)*	Priority date *(day/month/year)*
PCT/US2012/027128	29 February 2012 (29.02.2012)	01 March 2011 (01.03.2011)

Applicant
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The International Bureau transmits herewith a copy of the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty)

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 115026WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2012/027128	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 29 February 2012 (29.02.2012)	Priority date *(day/month/year)* 01 March 2011 (01.03.2011)
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
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1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 *bis*.1(a).

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 5 sheets, including this cover sheet.

   In the attached sheets, any reference to the written opinion of the International Searching Authority should be read as a reference to the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) instead.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

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☐	Box No. II	Priority
☐	Box No. III	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
☐	Box No. IV	Lack of unity of invention
☒	Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
☐	Box No. VI	Certain documents cited
☐	Box No. VII	Certain defects in the international application
☐	Box No. VIII	Certain observations on the international application

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

Date of mailing *(day/month/year)*	**21 SEPTEMBER 2012 (21.09.2012)**
Applicant's or agent's file reference 115026WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION** See paragraph 2 below

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
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- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
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- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

International application No.

PCT/US2012/027128

Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of :

   ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed

   ☐ a translation of the international application into _____ , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))

2. ☐ This opinion has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43*bis*.1(a))

3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

   a. a sequence listing filed or furnished
      ☐ on paper
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   b. time of filing or furnishing
      ☐ contained in the international application as filed.
      ☐ filed together with the international application in electronic form.
      ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	NONE	YES
	Claims	1-17	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO

2. Citations and explanations :

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 2010-0033307 A1 (NARENDRA SIVA G. et al.) 11 February 2010
D2: KR 10-2010-0136546 A (DEUTSCHE TELEKOM AG) 28 December 2010
D3: US 2010-0069118 A1 (WANG PEN-LO) 18 March 2010

1. Novelty and Inventive Step
1.1 Independent Claim 1
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 1, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 1 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 1 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 1 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2 Dependent Claims 2-7
1.2.1 Claims 2-4
The additional features of claims 2-4 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 2-4 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.2 Claims 5,7
The additional features of claims 5,7 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of an extraction circuit and the memory card in D1. Therefore, claims 5,7 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.3 Claim 6
The additional feature of claim 6 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 6 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.3 Independent Claim 8
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 8, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 8 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 8 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 8 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4 Dependent Claims 9-13
1.4.1 Claims 9-11
The additional features of claims 9-11 dependent on claim 8 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 9-11 lack an inventive step under PCT
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Article 33(3).

1.4.2 Claim 12
The additional feature of claim 12 dependent on claim 8 is identical to the feature of an extraction circuit in D1. Therefore, claim 12 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4.3 Claim 13
The additional feature of claim 13 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 13 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.5 Independent Claim 14
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 14, discloses a secure element, an antenna and a transmit circuit. Claim 14 differs from D1 in an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the contactless interface. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the interface. Accordingly, claim 14 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 14 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.6 Dependent Claim 15-17
The additional features of claims 15-17 dependent on claim 14 are identical to the features of the transmit circuit and the mobile device in D1. Therefore, claims 15-17 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

2. Industrial Applicability
Claims 1-17 are industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT AND THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY, OR THE DECLARATION

(PCT Rule 44.1)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115026WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION** See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. **PCT/US2012/027128**	International filing date *(day/month/year)* **29 FEBRUARY 2012 (29.02.2012)**
Applicant **NARENDRA SIVA et al**	

Date of mailing *(day/month/year)* 21 SEPTEMBER 2012 (21.09.2012)

1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

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The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):

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Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: +41 22 338 82 70

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4. **Reminders**

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Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3).

Within **19 months** from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase **until 30 months** from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, **within 20 months** from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

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Applicant

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This International search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the report**
   a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of:
      ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed
      ☐ a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))
   b. ☐ This international search report has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43.6*bis*(a)).
   c. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.
2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II)
3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III)
4. With regard to the **title,**
   ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
   ☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:
5. With regard to the **abstract,**
   ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
   ☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2, by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.
6. With regard to the drawings,
   a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 21
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      ☐ as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
      ☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.
   b. ☐ none of the figure is to be published with the abstract.

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International application No.
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

G06K 19/077(2006.01)i

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
G06K 19/077; H04M 1/00; G06K 19/07; G06K 19/06; H04Q 5/22; H04B 1/38

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
Korean utility models and applications for utility models
Japanese utility models and applications for utility models

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eKOMPASS(KIPO internal) & Keywords: subscriber identity module(SIM), card, amplifier, dual interface, mobile device

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	US 2010-0033307 A1 (NARENDRA SIVA G. et al.) 11 February 2010 See abstract, paragraphs [19]-[47], claims 1-23 and figures 1-4.	1-17
Y	KR 10-2010-0136546 A (DEUTSCHE TELEKOM AG) 28 December 2010 See abstract, paragraphs [2]-[54] and figures 1-3.	1-17
A	US 2010-0069118 A1 (WANG PEN-LO) 18 March 2010 See abstract, paragraphs [32]-[39] and figures 2-4.	1-17

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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	NONE	YES
	Claims	1-17	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO

2. Citations and explanations :

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 2010-0033307 A1 (NARENDRA SIVA G. et al.) 11 February 2010
D2: KR 10-2010-0136546 A (DEUTSCHE TELEKOM AG) 28 December 2010
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1. Novelty and Inventive Step

1.1 Independent Claim 1

D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 1, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 1 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 1 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 1 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2 Dependent Claims 2-7

1.2.1 Claims 2-4

The additional features of claims 2-4 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 2-4 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.2 Claims 5,7

The additional features of claims 5,7 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of an extraction circuit and the memory card in D1. Therefore, claims 5,7 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.3 Claim 6

The additional feature of claim 6 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 6 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.3 Independent Claim 8

D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 8, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 8 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 8 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 8 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4 Dependent Claims 9-13

1.4.1 Claims 9-11

The additional features of claims 9-11 dependent on claim 8 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 9-11 lack an inventive step under PCT

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Box V

Article 33(3).

1.4.2 Claim 12
The additional feature of claim 12 dependent on claim 8 is identical to the feature of an extraction circuit in D1. Therefore, claim 12 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4.3 Claim 13
The additional feature of claim 13 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 13 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.5 Independent Claim 14
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 14, discloses a secure element, an antenna and a transmit circuit. Claim 14 differs from D1 in an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the contactless interface. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the interface. Accordingly, claim 14 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 14 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.6 Dependent Claim 15-17
The additional features of claims 15-17 dependent on claim 14 are identical to the features of the transmit circuit and the mobile device in D1. Therefore, claims 15-17 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

2. Industrial Applicability
Claims 1-17 are industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).

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1)☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____.

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2a)☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b)☒ This action is non-final.

3)☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.

4)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims*

5)☒ Claim(s) *1-20* is/are pending in the application.

5a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

6)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

7)☒ Claim(s) *1-20* is/are rejected.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

9)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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Application Papers

10)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

11)☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

> A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –
>
> (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1, 4-7, 10-17, 19 and 20 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fox et al. (US 5,943,624).

Regarding claims 1, 7 and 13: Fox discloses mobile device comprising: a smartcard controller (42); an antenna (18); and performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier (134) and a load modulation circuit (142) (col. 4, lines 14-41; Fig. 4).

Regarding claims 4 and 10: Fox discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (54) (Fig. 4).

Regarding claims 5 and 11: Fox discloses the performance enhancement circuits
are coupled to be powered by the mobile device (Fig. 4).

Regarding claims 6, 12 and 20: Fox discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (10) (col. 2, lines 10-29; Fig. 1).

Regarding claim 14: Fox discloses the load modulation circuit (142) (Fig. 4).

Regarding claim 15: Fox discloses the transmit driver circuit (136) (Fig. 4).

Regarding claim 16: Fox discloses the transmit driver circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (battery, 54) (Fig. 4).

Regarding claim 17: Fox discloses the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (battery, 54) (Fig. 4).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

> (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 2, 8 and 18 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fox et al. (US 5,943,624) in view of Rosenberg (US 7,110,792).

Regarding claims 2, 8 and 18: Fox does not disclose the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz. Rosenberg discloses a mobile device with smartcard reader in which the antenna is tuned to operate at the conventional ISO standard of 13.56 MHz. (col. 6, line 63-col. 7, line 14). At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to utilize the standard operating frequency so that other smartcard reader may conveniently communicate at the same conventional frequency.

Double Patenting

The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory double patenting rejection is appropriate where the claims at issue are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the reference application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement. A terminal disclaimer must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(b).

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Claims 1-20 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1-20 of copending Application No. 14/517,567. This is a provisional double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

The subject matter claimed in the instant application is fully disclosed in the referenced copending application and would be covered by any patent granted on that copending application since the referenced copending application and the instant application are claiming common subject matter, as follows: “a smartcard/SmartMX controller; an antenna; and performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit”.

Furthermore, there is no apparent reason why applicant would be prevented from presenting claims corresponding to those of the instant application in the other copending application. See *In re Schneller*, 397 F.2d 350, 158 USPQ 210 (CCPA 1968). See also MPEP § 804.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TOAN N. PHAM whose telephone number is (571)272-2967. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Benjamin C. Lee can be reached on (571) 272-2963. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2014. Please consider the following.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna; and

performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit, and wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller.

2. (Original) The mobile device of claim 1 wherein the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz.

3. (Original) The mobile device of claim 1 wherein the antenna comprises an inductive element too small to draw enough power sufficient to operate the smartcard controller from an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field.

4. (Original) The mobile device of claim 1 wherein the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

5. (Original) The mobile device of claim 1 wherein the performance enhancement circuits are coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

6. (Original) The mobile device of claim 1 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

7. (Currently Amended) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna; and

performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and an active transmit driver circuit, and wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller.

8. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz.

9. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the antenna comprises an inductive element too small to draw enough power sufficient to operate the smartcard controller from an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field.

10. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

11. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the performance enhancement circuits are coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

12. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

13. (Original) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna;

an amplifier coupled to amplify signals received at the antenna and drive the smartcard controller; and

a driver circuit to drive the antenna with data provided by the smartcard controller.

14. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the driver circuit comprises a load modulation circuit.

15. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the driver circuit comprises an active transmit driver circuit.

16. (Original) The mobile device of claim 15 wherein the active transmit driver circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

17. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

18. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz.

19. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the antenna comprises an inductive element too small to draw enough power sufficient to operate the smartcard controller from an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field.

20. (Original) The mobile device of claim 13 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

REMARKS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2014, and the references cited therewith. Claims 1 and 7 are amended, and no claims are canceled or added; as a result, claims 1-20 are now pending in this application.

35 USC § 102 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1, 4-7, 10-17, 19, and 20 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Fox et al. (U.S. 5,943,624).

The Federal Circuit has held that in order to anticipate under 35 U.S.C. § 102 a reference "must not only disclose all elements of the claim within the four corners of the document, but must also disclose those elements 'arranged as in the claim.'" Net MoneyIn, Inc. v. VeriSign, Inc., 545 F.3d 1359 (Fed. Cir. 2008), citing Connell v. Sears, Roebuck & Co., 722 F.2d 1542, 1548 (Fed. Cir. 1983).

Applicant traverses the rejection of claims 1, 4-7, 10-17, 19, and 20 on the basis that the Fox reference fails to disclose all elements of the claims arranged as in the claims.

The Fox Reference

Fox discloses a cellular telephone (10, Figs. 1, 2) with a smartcard logic function (42, Fig. 2), an antenna (26, Fig. 2), and a smartcard RF interface (40, Fig. 2) coupled between the smartcard logic function and antenna. See column 2, lines 53-64 of Fox describing the interconnection between the smartcard circuitry, the RF interface, and the antenna.

Independent Claim 1

Claim 1 as filed recites:

A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna; and

performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit.

The office action alleges that Fox shows a smartcard controller at 42. Applicant agrees.

The office action alleges that Fox shows an antenna at 18. Applicant agrees.

The office action alleges that Fox shows "performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit" at 134 and 142. Applicant disagrees.

Fox discloses power amplifier 134 and modulator 142 as part of cellular telephone function 46, which is used to transmit a voice signal (Fig. 4, col. 4, ll. 30-41). Fox does not disclose amplifier 134 and modulator 142 "coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna" as claimed. Accordingly, applicant submits that Fox fails to teach all elements of claim arranged as in the claim, and requests that the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC § 102(b) be withdrawn.

The above traversal notwithstanding, applicant has amended claim 1 to make clear that the amplifier is coupled in a signal path between the antenna and the smartcard controller. This is described throughout the application as filed, including for example at page 24, lines 28-29. Fox's amplifier 134 is not in a signal path between the antenna 18 and smartcard logic function 42.

Independent Claim 7

Claim 7 as filed recites:

A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna; and

performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and an active transmit driver circuit.

The office action alleges that Fox shows a smartcard controller at 42. Applicant agrees.

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The office action alleges that Fox shows "performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit" at 134 and 142. Applicant disagrees.

Fox discloses power amplifier 134 and modulator 142 as part of cellular telephone function 46, which is used to transmit a voice signal (Fig. 4, col. 4, ll. 30-41). Fox does not disclose amplifier 134 and modulator 142 "coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna" as claimed. Accordingly, applicant submits that Fox fails to teach all elements of claim arranged as in the claim, and requests that the rejection of claim 7 under 35 USC § 102(b) be withdrawn.

The above traversal notwithstanding, applicant has amended claim 7 to make clear that the amplifier is coupled in a signal path between the antenna and the smartcard controller. This is described throughout the application as filed, including for example at page 24, lines 28-29. Fox's amplifier 134 is not in a signal path between the antenna 18 and smartcard logic function 42.

Independent Claim 13

Claim 13 recites:

A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna;

an amplifier coupled to amplify signals received at the antenna and drive the smartcard controller; and

a driver circuit to drive the antenna with data provided by the smartcard controller.

The office action alleges that Fox shows a smartcard controller at 42. Applicant agrees.

The office action alleges that Fox shows an antenna at 18. Applicant agrees.

The office action alleges that Fox shows "performance enhancement circuits coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the performance enhancement circuits include an amplifier and a load modulation circuit" at 134 and 142; however, the office action fails to allege that Fox teaches "an amplifier ***coupled to amplify signals received at the antenna and drive the smartcard controller***" or "a driver circuit ***to drive the antenna with data provided by the smartcard controller***" as claimed. [Emphasis Added].

Applicant respectfully submits that Fox's power amplifier 134 is not "coupled to amplify signals received at the antenna and drive the smartcard controller" as claimed. Applicant further submits that Fox's modulation circuit 142 does not "drive the antenna with data provided by the smartcard controller" as claimed. Accordingly, applicant submits that Fox fails to teach all elements of claim arranged as in the claim, and requests that the rejection of claim 13 under 35 USC § 102(b) be withdrawn.

Dependent Claims 3-6, 9-12, 14-17, 19 and 20

Claims 4-6, 9-12, 14-17, 19, and 20 depend from one of claims 1, 7, and 13, all of which are believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly claims 4-6, 9-12, 14-17, 19, and 20 are believed to be in condition for allowance at least by virtue of dependency.

35 USC § 103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 2, 8, and 18 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fox et al. (U.S. 5,943,624) in view of Rosenberg. (US 7,110,792). The rejection of claims 2, 8, and 18 under 35 USC § 103(a) relies on the sufficiency of the rejection of independent claims 1, 7, and 13 under 35 USC § 102(b). As discussed above, Fox fails to anticipate independent claims 1, 7, and 13. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that a *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been presented with respect to claims 2, 8, and 18.

Nonstatutory Double Patenting Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-20 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of copending Application No. 14/517,567. A terminal disclaimer is being filed concurrently herewith to overcome this rejection.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612-747-2346) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

By Applicant's Representatives,

Customer Number 35781

Date May 18, 2015 By /Dana B. LeMoine/
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	NONE	YES
	Claims	1-17	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims	NONE	NO

2. Citations and explanations :

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: US 2010-0033307 A1 (NARENDRA SIVA G. et al.) 11 February 2010
D2: KR 10-2010-0136546 A (DEUTSCHE TELEKOM AG) 28 December 2010
D3: US 2010-0069118 A1 (WANG PEN-LO) 18 March 2010

1. Novelty and Inventive Step
1.1 Independent Claim 1
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 1, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 1 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 1 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 1 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2 Dependent Claims 2-7
1.2.1 Claims 2-4
The additional features of claims 2-4 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 2-4 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.2 Claims 5,7
The additional features of claims 5,7 dependent on claim 1 are identical to the features of an extraction circuit and the memory card in D1. Therefore, claims 5,7 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.2.3 Claim 6
The additional feature of claim 6 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 6 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.3 Independent Claim 8
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 8, discloses a dual interface smartcard chip and a transmit circuit. Claim 8 differs from D1 in an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier to receive a signal from a receive antenna. Accordingly, claim 8 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 8 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4 Dependent Claims 9-13
1.4.1 Claims 9-11
The additional features of claims 9-11 dependent on claim 8 are identical to the features of the transmit antenna and receive antenna in D2. Therefore, claims 9-11 lack an inventive step under PCT
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Article 33(3).

1.4.2 Claim 12
The additional feature of claim 12 dependent on claim 8 is identical to the feature of an extraction circuit in D1. Therefore, claim 12 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.4.3 Claim 13
The additional feature of claim 13 is merely matters of design option when the general technical knowledge in relevant field of the art is used. Therefore, claim 13 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.5 Independent Claim 14
D1, which is considered to be the closest prior art to the subject matter of claim 14, discloses a secure element, an antenna and a transmit circuit. Claim 14 differs from D1 in an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the contactless interface. However, it is well known that D2 discloses an amplifier coupled to form a simplex communication path from the antenna to the interface. Accordingly, claim 14 would have been obvious over D1 in view of D2. Therefore, claim 14 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

1.6 Dependent Claim 15-17
The additional features of claims 15-17 dependent on claim 14 are identical to the features of the transmit circuit and the mobile device in D1. Therefore, claims 15-17 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3).

2. Industrial Applicability
Claims 1-17 are industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).

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TITLE OF INVENTION: 13.56 MHZ ENHANCEMENT CIRCUIT FOR SMARTCARD CONTROLLER

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This Release of Security Interest (this "Release"), dated and effective as of July 27, 2020 (the "Effective Date"), is made by RPX Corporation ("Lender") in favor of Tyfone, Inc. ("Borrower").

RECITALS

A. Pursuant to the Loan and Security Agreement dated May 15, 2015 (the "Loan and Security Agreement"), Borrower granted to Lender a security interest in the Patent Collateral (as defined in the Loan and Security Agreement).

B. Subsequent to the effective date of the Loan and Security Agreement, Lender recorded the Loan and Security Agreement with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") and with the State of Oregon, evidencing its security interest in the Patent Collateral, including but not limited to those patents and patent applications listed on Exhibit 1 to this Release.

C. Lender did not record the Loan and Security Agreement with any other authority of office other than ones mentioned in Recital B.

D. Borrower has fully paid the Obligations that were secured by the security interest in the Patent Collateral under the Loan and Security Agreement, and Lender desires to release fully its security interests in the Patent Collateral pursuant to this Release.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In consideration of the mutual promises and undertakings set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and with the intention of being legally bound hereby, Lender hereby: (a) releases the security interest in the Patent Collateral; and (b) authorizes the recordation of this Release with the USPTO, the State of Oregon, and any other authority or office as may be necessary to effectuate this Release.

Lender agrees to cooperate with Borrower and to execute, acknowledge and deliver such further releases, termination statements, assignments and other assurances pursuant to this Release, as may be reasonably requested by Borrower in order to effectuate the complete release of Lender's security interest in the Patent Collateral.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lender has executed this Release as of the Effective Date:

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EXHIBIT 1

Title	App. No.	Pub. No.	Pat. No.	Issue Date
ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD	11/063,291	20060186209	7581678	9/1/2009
MOBILE PHONE WITH ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD	12/539,369	20090298540	7828214	11/9/2010
MOBILE DEVICE WITH TRANSACTION CARD IN ADD-ON SLOT	12/941,410	20110053644	7954715	6/7/2011
ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD POWERED BY MOBILE DEVICE	12/962,937	20110073665	7954716	6/7/2011
ADD-ON CARD WITH SMARTCARD CIRCUITRY POWERED BY A MOBILE DEVICE	13/114,434	20110220726	8091786	1/10/2012
APPARATUS FOR SECURE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS	13/304,663	20120067964	8573494	11/5/2013
MOBILE DEVICE ADD-ON APPARATUS FOR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS	13/370,291	20120138675	8408463	4/2/2013
APPARATUS WITH SMARTCARD CIRCUITRY POWERED BY A MOBILE DEVICE	13/651,365	20130037611	8403219	3/26/2013
PROVISIONING ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD IN MOBILE DEVICE	12/962,953	20110077052	7954717	6/7/2011
PROVISIONING AN ADD-ON APPARATUS WITH SMARTCARD CIRCUITY FOR ENABLING TRANSACTIONS	13/114,473	20110223972	8083145	12/27/2011
METHOD FOR PROVISIONING AN APPARATUS CONNECTED CONTACTLESS TO A MOBILE DEVICE	13/426,500	20120178433	8474718	7/2/2013
ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD WITH CONTACTLESS INTERFACE	13/184,240	20110272469	8136732	3/20/2012
WEARABLE DEVICE TRANSACTION SYSTEM	13/592,323	20130168453	9004361	4/14/2015
WEARABLE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/680,684	20150213350	9092708	7/28/2015
MOBILE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/747,770	20150294208	9202156	12/1/2015
MOBILE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD AND SINGLE TRANSACTION ACCOUNT NUMBERS	14/833,113	20150363684	9208423	12/8/2015
WEARABLE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD AND SINGLE TRANSACTION ACCOUNT NUMBERS	14/866,998	20160019450	9251453	2/2/2016
PROVISIONING MOBILE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/929,297	20160055405	9626611	4/18/2017
DEVICE WITH CURRENT CARRYING CONDUCTOR TO PRODUCE TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/948,325	20160086073	9715649	7/25/2017
WEARABLE DEVICE WITH CURRENT CARRYING CONDUCTOR TO PRODUCE TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	15/658,208	20170323188	10185909	1/22/2019
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ELECTRONIC STRIPE CARDS	11/488,400	20070023532	7364092	4/29/2008
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MEMORY CARD HAVING ONE OR MORE SECURE ELEMENTS ACCESSED WITH HIDDEN COMMANDS	13/104,962	20110271044		
MEMORY CARD BASED CONTACTLESS DEVICES	12/002,317	20090152361	9741027	8/22/2017
SMALL RFID CARD WITH INTEGRATED INDUCTIVE ELEMENT	12/188,346	20100033307	7961101	6/14/2011
MOBILE PAYMENT DEVICE	13/081,775	20110180610	8072331	12/6/2011
CONTACTLESS CARD THAT RECEIVES POWER FROM HOST DEVICE	13/311,247	20120305653	8410936	4/2/2013

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MOBILE PAYMENT DEVICE WITH SMALL INDUCTIVE DEVICE POWERED BY A HOST DEVICE	13/657,846	20130043317	8814053	8/26/2014
POWER NEGOTATION FOR SMALL RFID CARD	12/188,382	20100033310		
CONTACTLESS DEVICE WITH MINIATURIZED ANTENNA	12/710,560	20100213265	8231061	7/31/2012
MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION SERVICE	13/036,774	20120222099	8745709	6/3/2014
TOKEN BASED MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION	14/289,901	20140282859	9055029	6/9/2015
CLIENT DEVICE TOKEN BASED MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION	14/608,073	20150143457	9148405	9/29/2015
SMARTCARD BASED MULTIFACTOR BANKING AUTHENTICATION	14/850,297	20150381613		
SMARTCARD PERFORMANCE ENHANCEMENT CIRCUITS AND SYSTEMS	13/038,341	20110171996	8451122	5/28/2013
ACTIVE CIRCUIT FOR RFID	13/871,849	20130233931	8866614	10/21/2014
ENHANCED INTEGRATED CIRCUIT WITH SMARTCARD CONTROLLER	14/460,647	20140353390	8937549	1/20/2015
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MOBILE DEVICE WITH A CONTACTLESS SMARTCARD DEVICE AND ACTIVE LOAD MODULATION	14/542,440	20150069139	9390359	7/12/2016
COMPUTING DEVICE WITH NFC AND ACTIVE LOAD MODULATION	15/338,436	20170046609	9904887	2/27/2018
COUPLING AREA ENHANCEMENT APPARATUS, SYSTEM, AND METHOD	13/097,167	20120276963	8843062	9/23/2014
MOBILE DEVICE WITH COUPLING AREA ENHANCEMENT	14/464,888	20140354503		
MOBILE DEVICE POWER MANAGEMENT	13/295,902	20130122804		
MOBILE DEVICE WITH PASSWORD PROTECTED DESKTOP SCREEN	13/470,139	20130305351	8949974	2/3/2015
APPLICATION WITH DEVICE SPECIFIC USER INTERFACE	13/591,210	20130303084		
MOBILE DEVICE WITH DESKTOP SCREEN INDICATORS	13/591,213	20130305352	9087184	7/21/2015
INSTALLING APPLICATIONS TO PASSWORD PROTECTED DESKTOP SCREENS ON A MOBILE DEVICE	13/470,163	20130305240		
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURE CONSOLIDATION OF CLOUD SERVICES	13/531,342	20130347075		
SECURE ELEMENT APPARATUS WITH MEMORY	14/289,884	20140273970		
MOBILE DEVICE WITH REVEAL OF DYNAMIC CONTENT	13/630,342	20140095315		
LIGHTNING CONNECTOR ACCESSORY DEVICE	13/629,595	20140087789	9077794	7/7/2015
OFFSET PCB LIGHTNING CONNECTOR ACCESSORY DEVICE	14/729,268	20150270601	9166281	10/20/2015
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MICROUSB LIGHTNING DEVICE WITH OFFSET CIRCUIT BOARD	15/053,806	20160181737	9520684	12/13/2016
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MOBILE REMOTE DEPOSIT CAPTURE	PCT/US14/23514	WO 2014/159412		
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MOBILE DEVICE AND APPLICATION FOR REMOTE DEPOSIT OF CHECK IMAGES RECEIVED FROM PAYORS	13/802,498	20140270462	9177310	11/3/2015

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REMOTE DEPOSIT CAPTURE SYSTEM WITH CHECK IMAGE GENERATION AND STORAGE	13/802,516	20140270463	9230282	1/5/2016
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