Figure 21 shows a block diagram of how card 2000 (Figure 20) may be utilized. A card issuer 2110 may issue card 2000 to a cardholder 2130. As issued by card issuer 2110, card 2000 may include card software and application software as shown in Figure 21. Cardholder 2130 may couple card 2000 with intelligent electronic device 2140 and install application software on the intelligent electronic device. For example, intelligent electronic device 2140 may be a mobile phone capable of executing application software, and card 2000 may supply application software to be installed on the mobile phone. Also for example, intelligent electronic device 2140 may be a non-telephonic device such as a personal digital assistant (PDA), or other dedicated hardware, capable of receiving card 2000 in an add-on slot.

Figure 22 shows a block diagram of a combination memory card and electronic transaction card. Card 2200 includes processing element 2020, magnetic/smartcard circuitry 2030, card reader interface 2040, memory card circuitry 2050, and memory card slot compatible interface 2060, all of which are described above with reference to Figure 20. Card 2200 also includes nonvolatile memory 2210 and volatile memory 2220. As shown in Figure 22, nonvolatile memory 2210 includes card software 2212 to be executed by processing element 2020. Also as shown in Figure 22, card 2200 includes volatile memory 2220 having financial transaction data 2222 held therein. Financial transaction data 2222 may be programmed into volatile memory 2220 by processing alignment 2020 in response to communications from an intelligent electronic device coupled to memory card slot compatible interface 2060. For example, a mobile phone executing single transaction account number generation software may provide a single transaction account number as financial transaction data that gets stored in volatile memory 2220 in preparation for a transaction. In other embodiments, financial transaction data 2222 represents two, three, four, or more time-varying magnetic fields to be generated by the combination of magnetic/smartcard circuitry 2030 and card reader interface 2040.

Figure 23 shows a block diagram of a phone and a card. Phone 2310 may be a cellular telephone, and card 2350 may be any of the electronic transaction card embodiments described herein. Phone 2310 includes display 2312, processor 2314, single transaction account number (STAN) generation software 2316, and authentication software 2318. Card 2350 includes processor 2352, card software 2354, financial transaction data 2356, and point-of-sale (POS) interface 2358.

Single transaction account number generation software 2316 may be installed on the phone 2310 when card 2350 is inserted in a memory slot. For example, referring now back to Figures 20 and 21, STAN generation software 2316 may correspond to application software 2014. Authentication software 2318 may only allow authorized users access to phone 2310 and/or card 2350.

In operation, a user interacting with phone 2310 may gain access to features by satisfying requirements of authentication software 2318. Using STAN generation software 2316, a user may generate financial transaction data 2356 which is held on card 2350 in preparation for a transaction. Card 2350 may then interact with a card reader using point-of-sale interface 2358 to effect a transaction. This transaction may be effected with card 2350 coupled to phone 2310 or decoupled from phone 2310. Further, the transaction using card 2350 may be effected while card 2350 is coupled to any of the adapter embodiments described herein.

The following paragraphs provide further disclosure of various invention embodiments. Each embodiment is fully defined by the recitation of the corresponding paragraph, and no other elements are to be considered essential for that particular embodiment. The embodiments include:

A. An apparatus comprising:
a stripe to communicate with a magnetic card reader; and
an interface to communicate with an intelligent electronic device;
wherein the apparatus has dimensions smaller than a credit card.

A1. The apparatus of A wherein the stripe includes circuitry to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field.

A2. The apparatus of A wherein the interface is compatible with an add-on slot in the intelligent electronic device.

A3. The apparatus of A2 wherein the interface comprises a memory card interface.

A4. The apparatus of A further comprising a processing element coupled to the interface and to the stripe.

A5. The apparatus of A4 further comprising a memory element to hold programming information for the stripe.

A6. The apparatus of A4 further comprising an embedded swipe sensor to sense when the stripe is swiped through a magnetic card reader.

A7. The apparatus of A further comprising nonvolatile memory accessible by the intelligent electronic device.

B. A financial card comprising:
a point-of-sale compatible electronic transaction stripe;
a memory card compatible interface; and
memory card emulation circuitry coupled to the memory card compatible interface.

C. A memory card comprising:
a memory card compatible interface;
a point-of-sale compatible electronic transaction stripe; and

financial card emulation circuitry coupled to the point-of-sale compatible electronic transaction stripe.

D. A financial card apparatus comprising:

a point-of-sale compatible portion having a stripe to communicate with a point-of-sale transaction device; and

a memory card compatible portion having at least one electrical contact to communicate with a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device.

E. A memory card comprising:

a memory card interface operable to couple the memory card to an intelligent electronic device;

a nonvolatile memory device accessible through the memory card interface; and

a stripe operable to communicate with a magnetic card reader.

F. A memory card comprising:

a memory card slot interface; and

circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader.

F1. The memory card of F wherein the circuitry is configured to produce a plurality of time-varying magnetic fields compatible with a point-of-sale transaction device.

G. An apparatus comprising:

means for communicating through a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device;

means for producing at least one time-varying magnetic field to represent financial transaction data; and

means for storing the financial transaction data.

H. A card comprising:

a memory card compatible interface;

a smartcard compatible interface; and

a stripe to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader.

I. A memory card compatible with a memory card slot in a mobile phone, the memory card including nonvolatile memory accessible by the mobile phone, a point-of-sale interface to communicate with a point-of-sale terminal, and volatile memory to hold financial transaction data.

I1. The memory card of I wherein the point-of-sale interface comprises circuitry to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field.

I2. The memory card of I1 further including a processing device coupled to the nonvolatile memory, volatile memory, and point-of-sale interface.

J. An electronic financial transaction device having a thickness compatible with a point-of-sale card reader, a width less than a credit card width, a length less than a credit card length, an electronically programmable stripe situated along the length, and at least one electrical contact to provide an interface to an intelligent electronic device.

J1. The electronic financial transaction device of J wherein the at least one electrical contact comprises a memory card interface compatible with a memory card slot in the intelligent electronic device.

J2. The electronic financial transaction device of J wherein the electronically programmable stripe includes a circuit to emulate a magnetic stripe in a credit card.

J3. The electronic financial transaction device of J2 further comprising a swipe sensor to detect when the electronic financial device is swiped through a point-of-sale terminal.

K. A card comprising:

means for storing financial transaction data;

means for communicating with a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device; and

means for creating a time-varying magnetic field that represents the financial transaction data.

K1. The card of K wherein the means for storing financial transaction data comprises volatile memory.

K2. The card of K wherein the financial transaction data comprises a single transaction account number.

K3. The card of K further comprising a processing device coupled to read the financial transaction data and influence the operation of the means for creating a time-varying magnetic field.

L. An adapter for use with any of A-K, the adapter comprising:

a body portion having exterior dimensions larger than dimensions of A-G; and

a receiving portion to receive any of A-G, wherein the receiving portion is located on the body portion to expose any of A-G for use in magnetic card reader transactions.

M. An apparatus comprising a body portion with dimensions compatible with a swallow-type magnetic card reader, wherein the body portion includes a memory card compatible area to receive a memory card with magnetic stripe functionality.

M1. The apparatus of M further comprising a smartcard interface.

M2. The apparatus of M further comprising at least one electrical component coupled to the memory card compatible area portion to interface to the memory card.

M3. The apparatus of M wherein the memory card compatible area comprises a recessed portion of at least one side of the apparatus.

M4. The apparatus of M wherein memory card compatible area comprises at least one metallic contact on a periphery of an aperture in the apparatus.

N. A financial card to be used with a magnetic card reader at a point-of-sale, the financial card including a memory card interface to allow the financial card to be inserted in a memory card slot of a mobile phone, and including a stripe compatible with the magnetic card reader, wherein the stripe is shorter than a magnetic credit card stripe.

O. A card compatible with a magnetic card reader and compatible with a memory slot in an intelligent electronic device, the card including software to be installed on the intelligent electronic device.

O1. The card of O wherein the software includes a module for single transaction account number generation.

O2. The card of O1 wherein the software is configured to run on a mobile phone.

O3. The card of O wherein the card comprises:
a memory slot compatible portion; and
a magnetic card reader compatible portion.

O4. The card of O3 wherein the magnetic card reader compatible portion comprises circuitry to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field for use in a financial transaction.

P. A card comprising:
a memory card interface mechanically compatible with a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device;
a processing device coupled to the memory card interface; and
circuitry to produce a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a point-of-sale device.

Q. A card comprising:
a memory card interface electrically compatible with a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device;
a processing device coupled to the memory card interface; and
circuitry to produce a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a point-of-sale device.

Q1. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising nonvolatile memory exposed through the memory card interface.

Q2. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising volatile memory to hold financial transaction information.

Q3. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising a software component that when executed by the processing device causes the circuitry to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field representing the financial transaction information.

Q4. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising a visible stripe at which the at least one time-varying magnetic field emanates.

Q5. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising a battery.

Q6. Any of the cards of P-Q further comprising a capacitor to provide power to the card.

Q7. The card of Q wherein the card has a size substantially equivalent to a credit card.

R. A credit card sized adapter to receive any of the cards of P-Q.

R1. The adapter of R wherein the credit card sized adapter includes a smartcard interface.

R2. The adapter of R wherein the adapter includes a first edge having a width and a second edge having a length, wherein the second edge includes a recessed portion to accept the card.

R3. The adapter of R wherein the credit card sized adapter includes a first edge having a width and a second edge having a length, wherein the first edge includes a recessed portion to accept the card.

S. A combination financial card and memory card apparatus comprising:
electrical contacts to provide an interface to a mobile phone;

a transaction stripe to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field representing transaction information;

a processing device; and

a software component to receive the transaction information from the mobile phone;

wherein the electrical contacts are provided on a physical portion of the combination financial card and memory card apparatus having dimensions compatible with a memory card slot.

S1. The combination financial card and memory card apparatus of S further comprises an application software component to be installed on the mobile phone.

T. In combination:

a memory card having a transaction stripe compatible with a magnetic card reader; and

a credit card sized adapter to receive the memory card and to expose the transaction stripe for use in magnetic card reader transactions.

U. In combination:

a memory card having an interface compatible with a memory card slot in a mobile phone and a smartcard interface; and

a credit card sized adapter to receive the memory card and to expose the smartcard interface for use in smartcard transactions.

V. A financial transaction system comprising:

a mobile phone having a memory card slot;

a memory card compatible with the memory card slot, wherein the memory card includes circuitry to transmit financial transaction data to a point-of-sale device; and

a software component to produce single transaction account numbers for use as financial transaction data.

W. A system comprising:

a wearable intelligent electronic device having a card slot; and

a card comprising a card slot interface and circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader.

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. A memory card compatible with a memory card slot in a mobile phone, the memory card including nonvolatile memory accessible by the mobile phone, a point-of-sale interface to communicate with a point-of-sale terminal, and volatile memory to hold financial transaction data.

2. The memory card of claim 1 wherein the point-of-sale interface comprises circuitry to produce at least one time-varying magnetic field.

3. The memory card of claim 2 further including a processing device coupled to the nonvolatile memory, volatile memory, and point-of-sale interface.

4. The memory card of claim 1 wherein the point-of-sale interface includes an electronic stripe that emulates a magnetic stripe.

5. The memory card of claim 4 further comprising an embedded swipe sensor to sense when the electronic stripe is swiped through the point-of-sale terminal.

6. The memory card of claim 1 wherein the point-of-sale interface includes a smartcard interface.

7. The memory card of claim 1 further including software to be installed on the mobile phone.

8. The memory card of claim 7 wherein the software includes a module for single transaction account number generation.

9. An apparatus comprising:

means for communicating through a memory card slot in an intelligent electronic device;

means for producing at least one time-varying magnetic field to represent financial transaction data; and

means for storing the financial transaction data.

10. The apparatus of claim 9 further including software to be installed on the intelligent electronic device.

11. The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the software includes a module for single transaction account number generation.

12. The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the software is configured to run on a mobile phone.

13. The apparatus of claim 9 further comprising nonvolatile memory accessible through the means for communicating through a memory card slot.

14. The apparatus of claim 9 further comprising means to sense whether the memory card has been swiped through a magnetic card reader.

15. An electronic transaction card comprising:

a memory card slot interface; and

circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader.

16. The electronic transaction card of claim 15 wherein the circuitry is configured to produce a plurality of time-varying magnetic fields compatible with a point-of-sale transaction device.

17. The electronic transaction card of claim 16 further comprising nonvolatile memory accessible via the memory card slot interface.

18. The electronic transaction card of claim 15 further comprising a processing device coupled to the memory card slot interface and the circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field.

19. The electronic transaction card of claim 18 further comprising a software component that when executed by the processing device causes the circuitry to produce the time-varying magnetic field.

20. The electronic transaction card of claim 18 further comprising software to be transferred to a device other than the electronic transaction card.

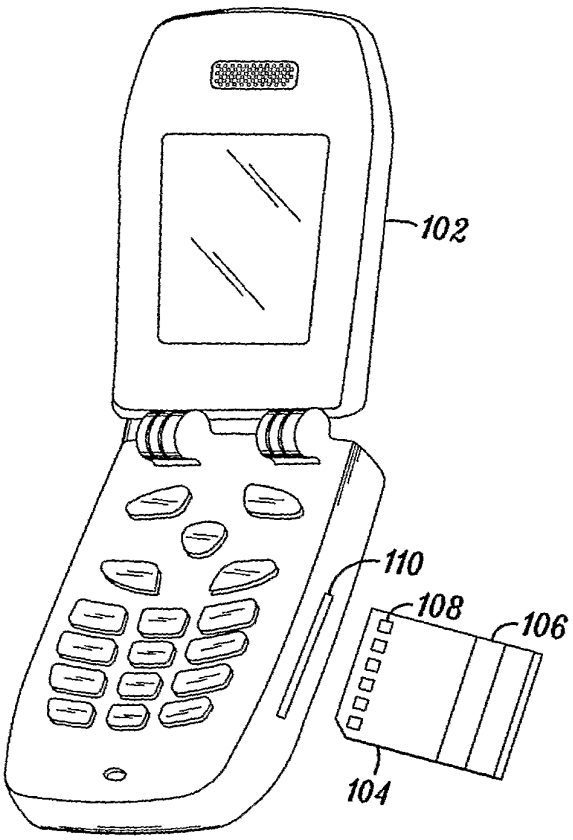


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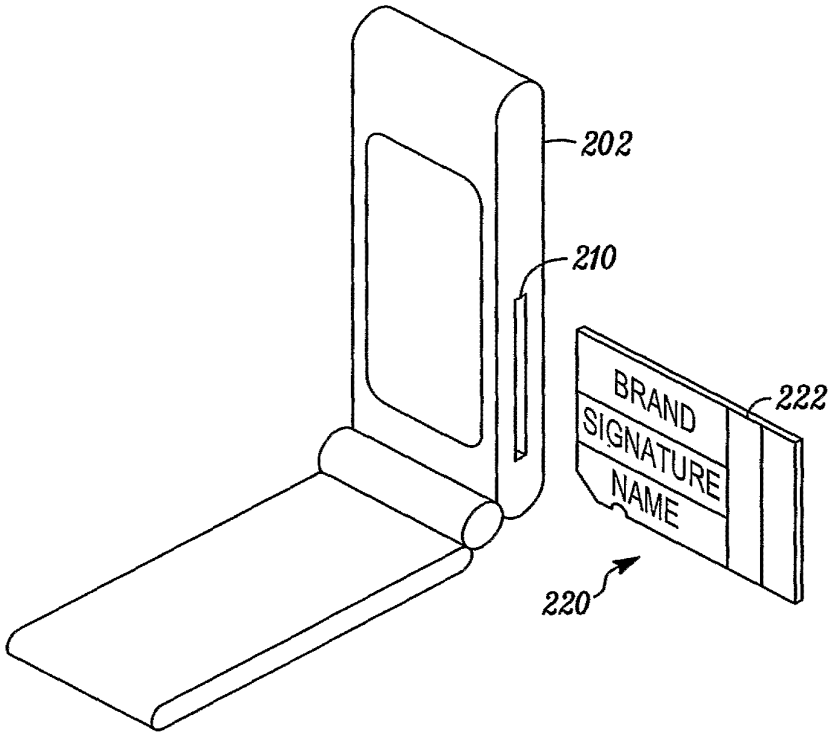


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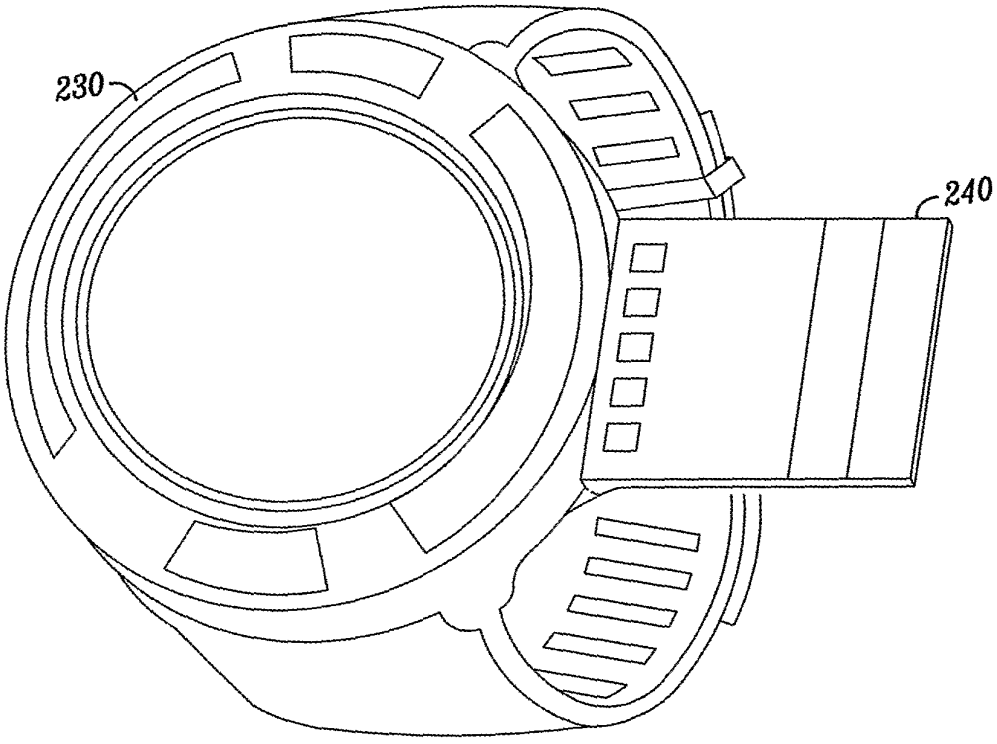


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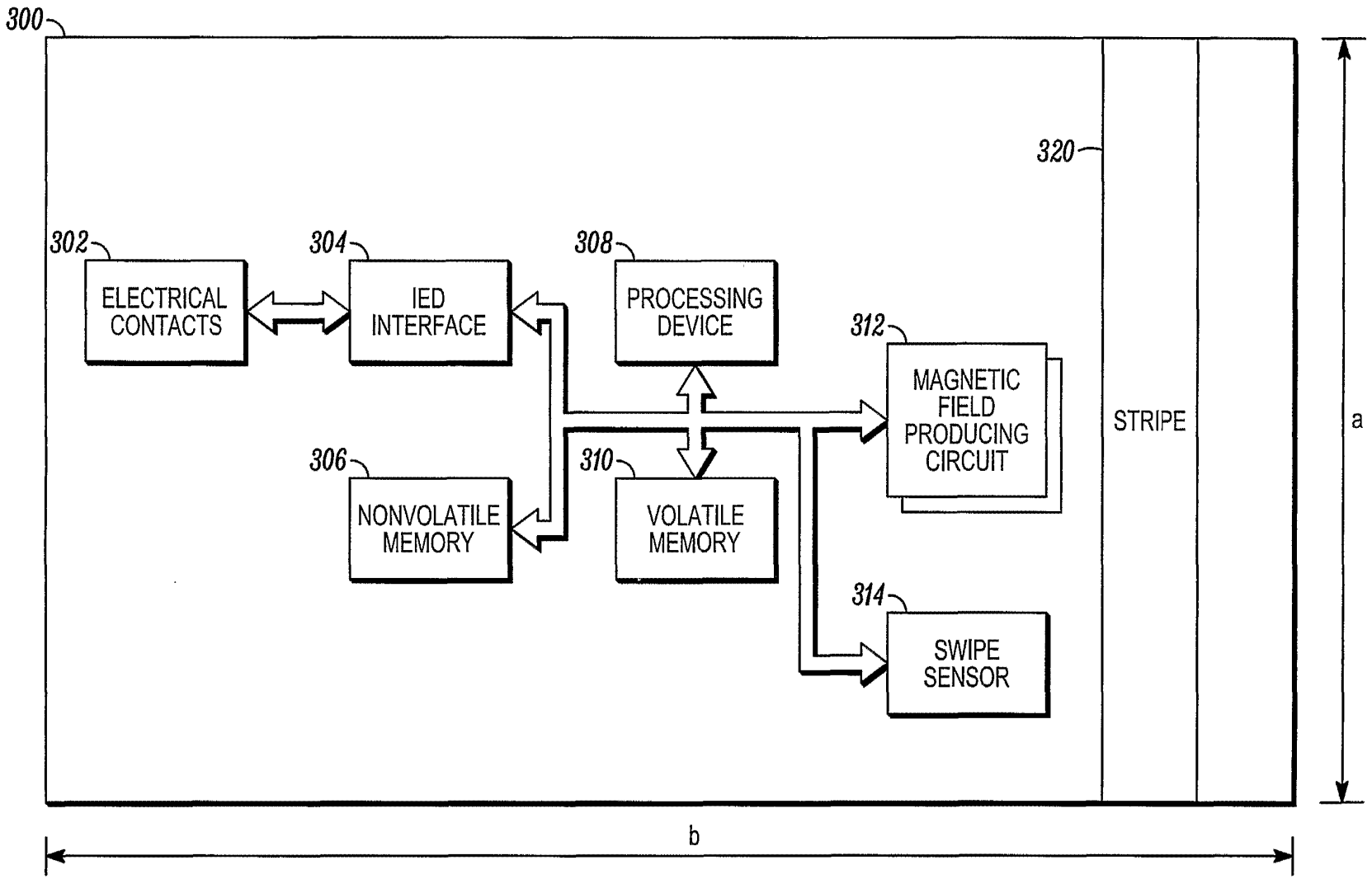

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304
IED INTERFACE
308
PROCESSING DEVICE
312
MAGNETIC FIELD PRODUCING CIRCUIT
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NONVOLATILE MEMORY
310
VOLATILE MEMORY
314
SWIPE SENSOR
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a
b

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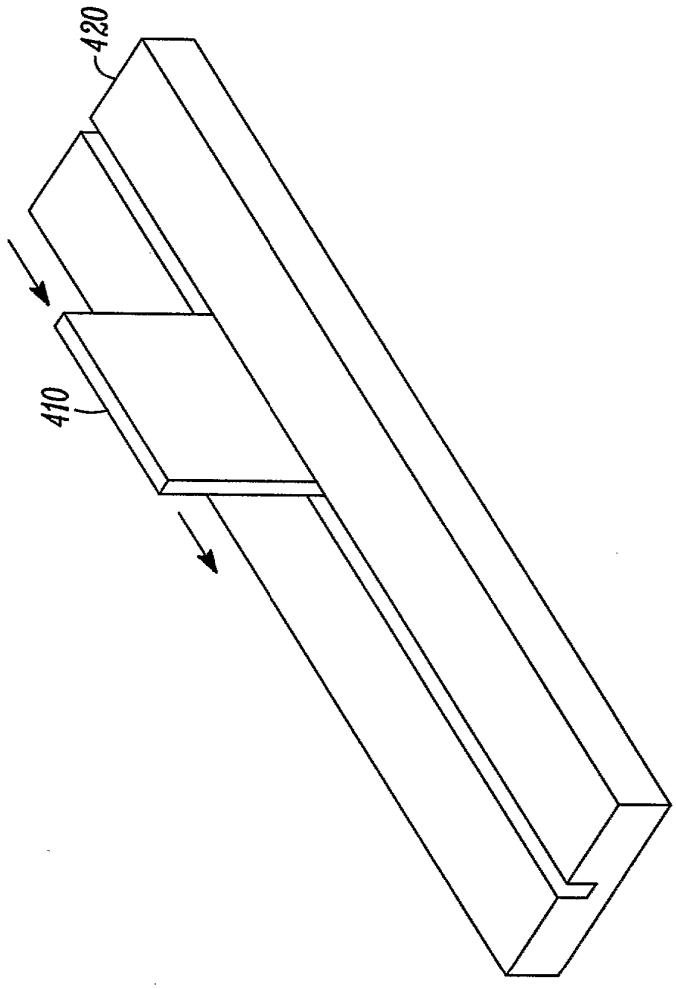


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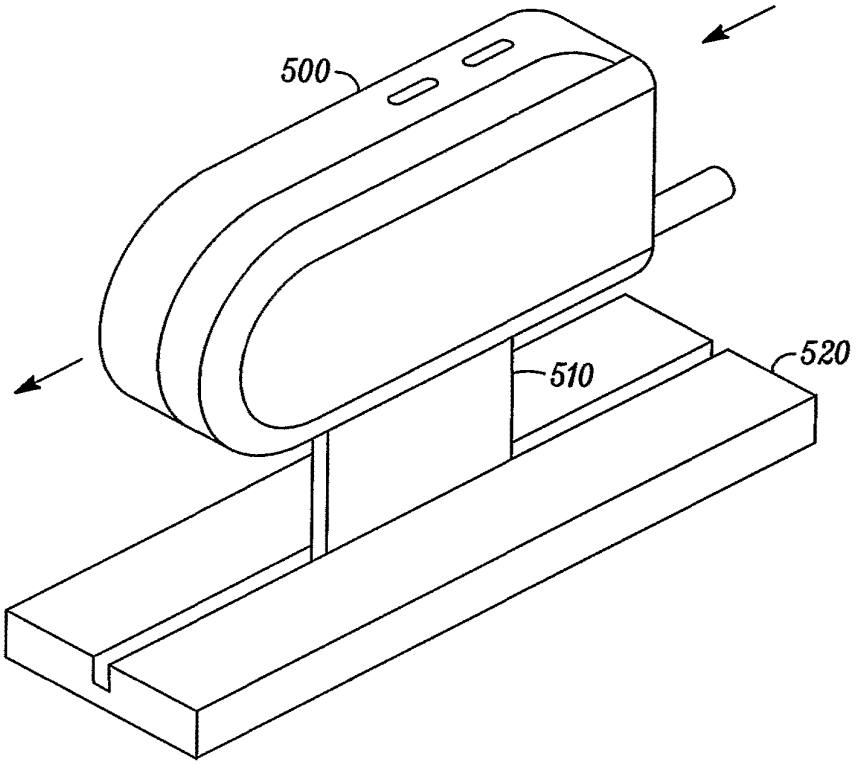


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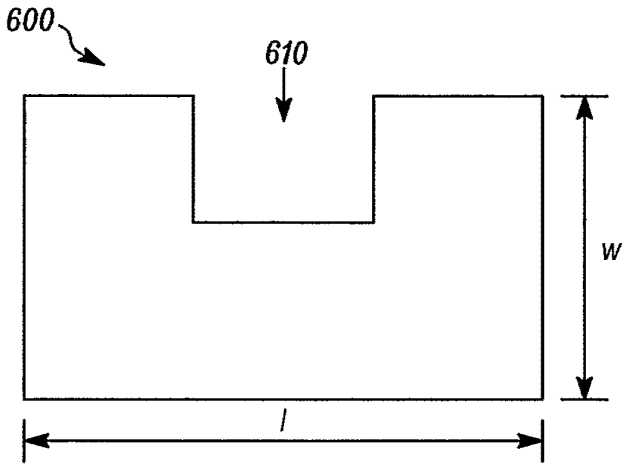


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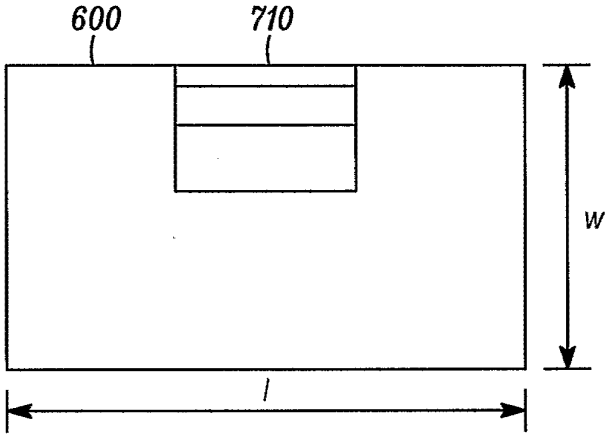


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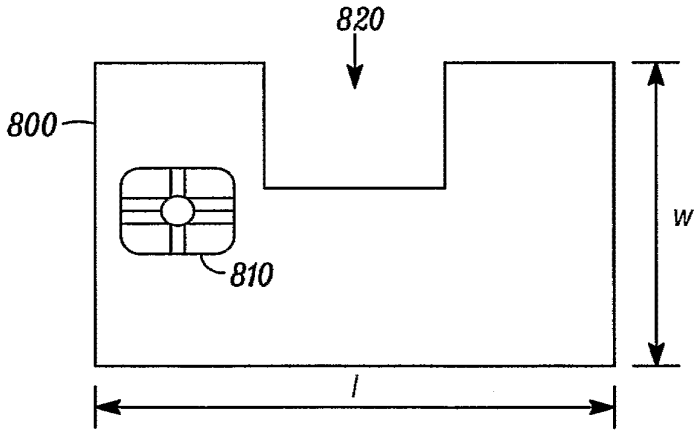


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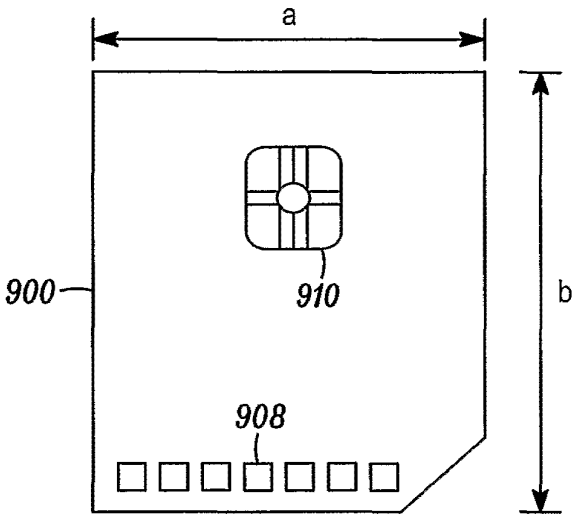


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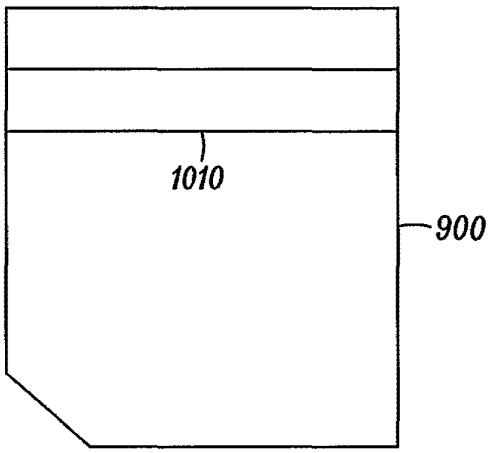


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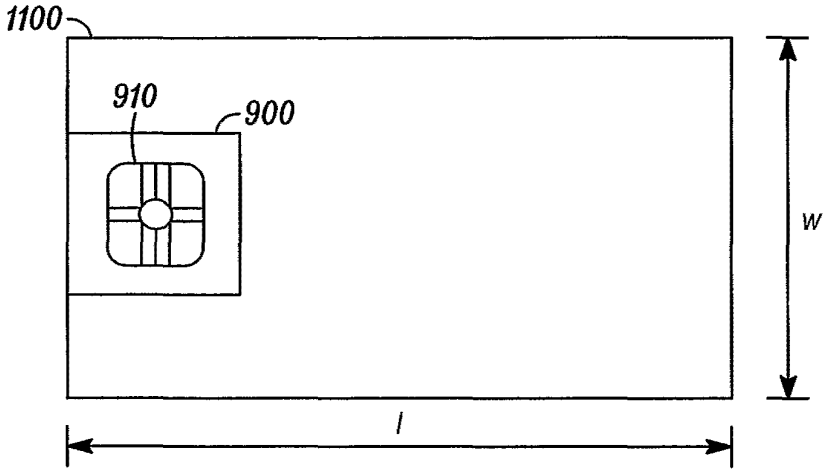


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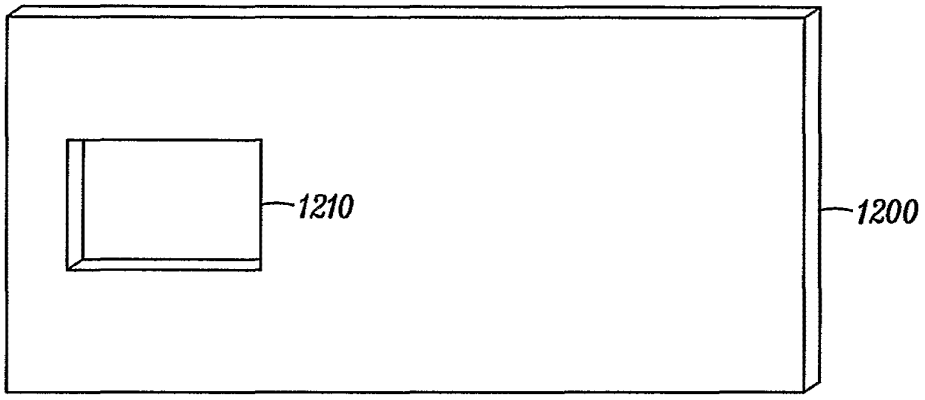


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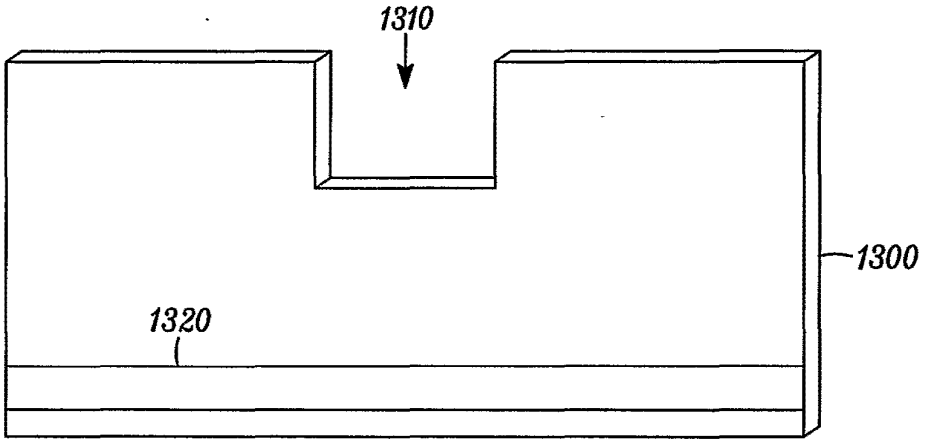


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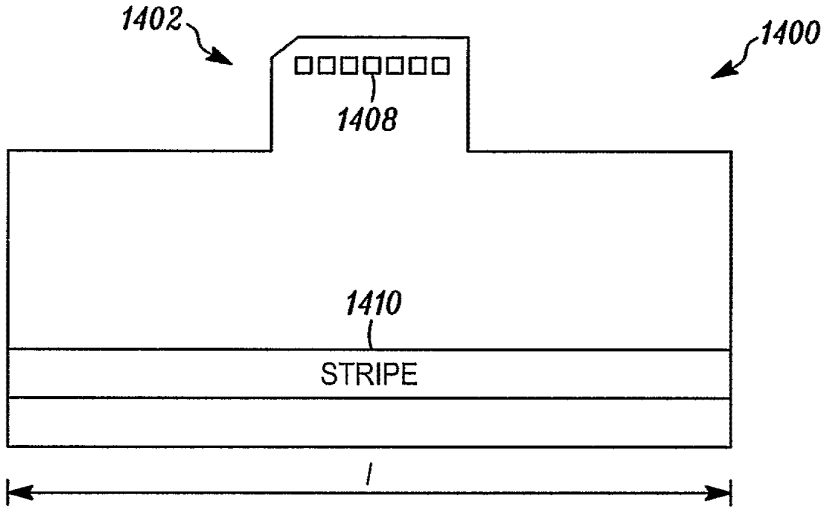


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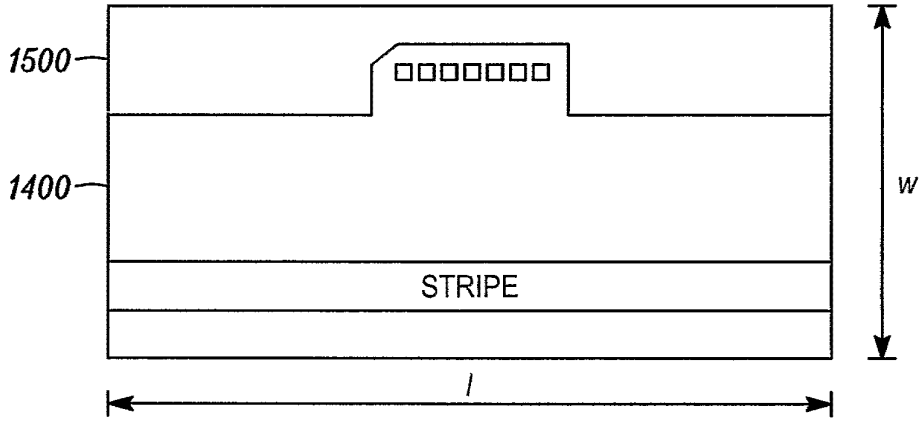


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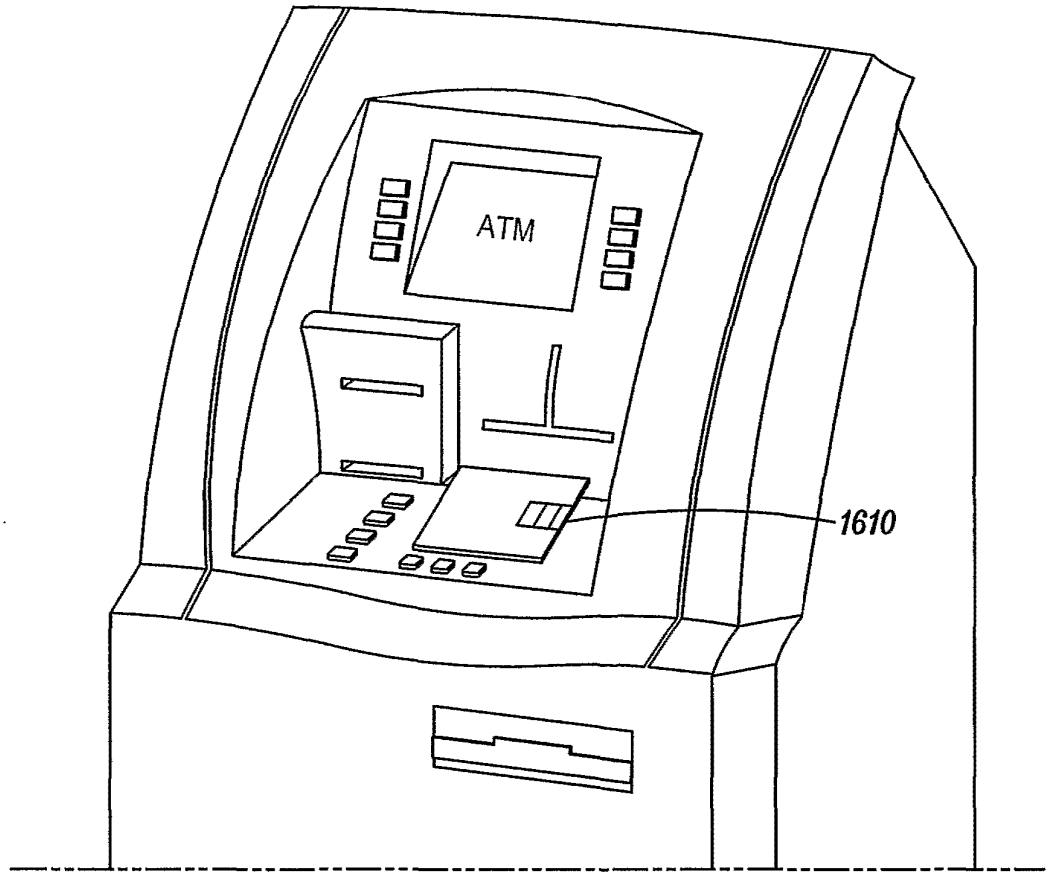


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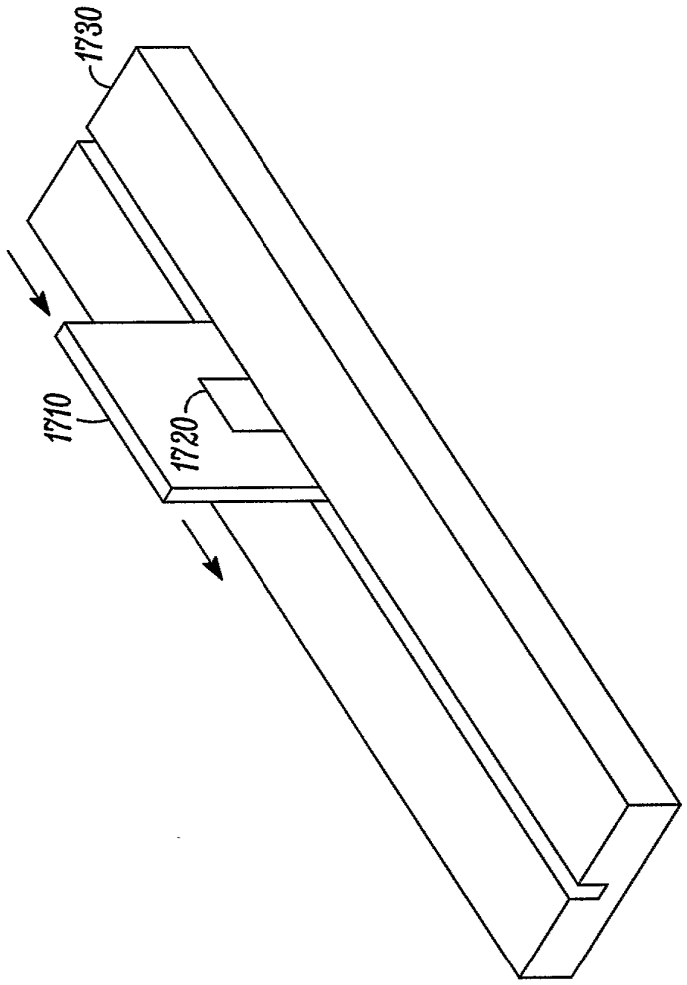


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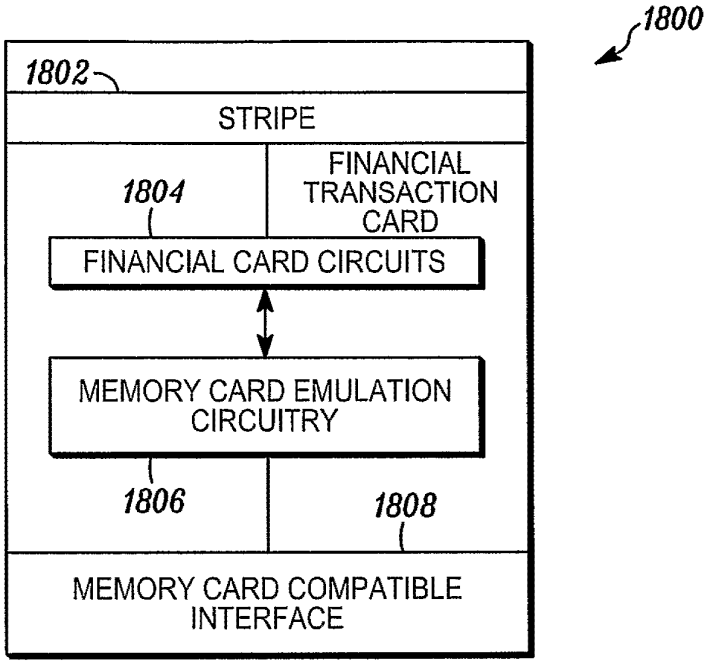

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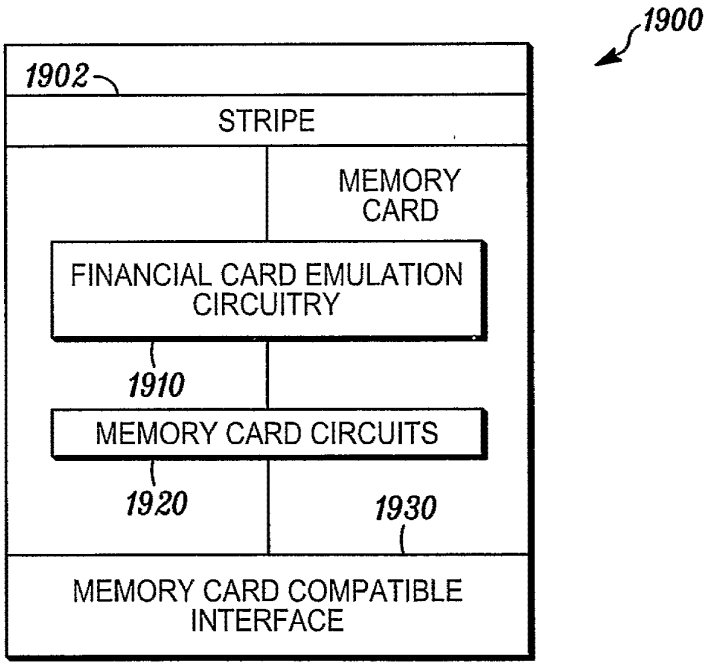

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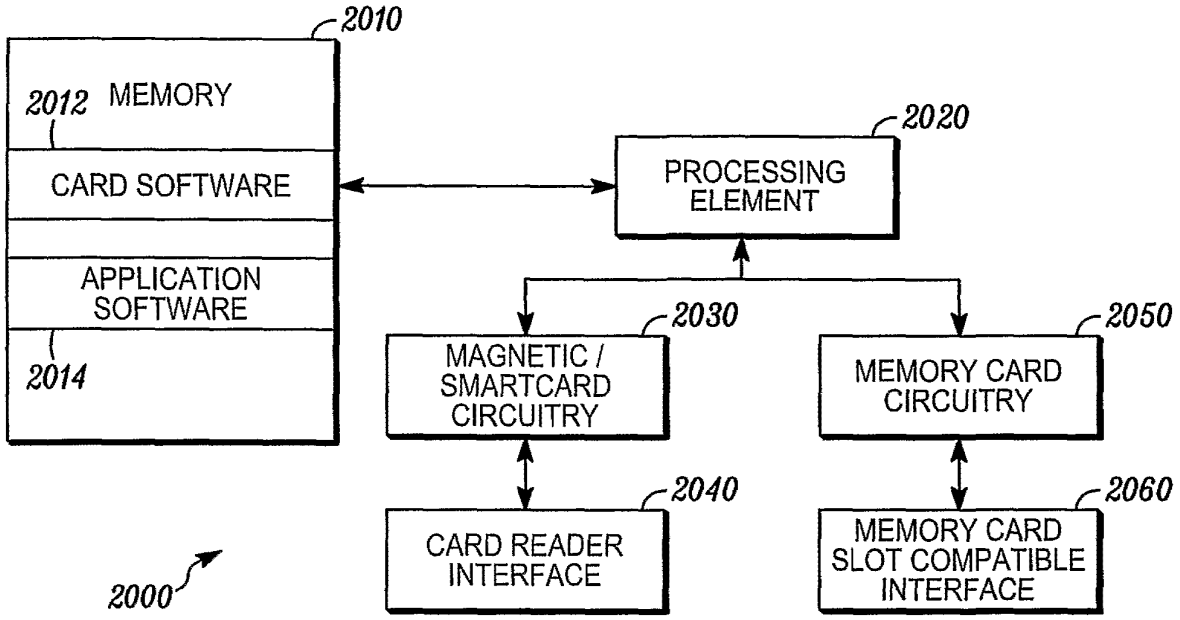

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MEMORY CARD SLOT COMPATIBLE INTERFACE
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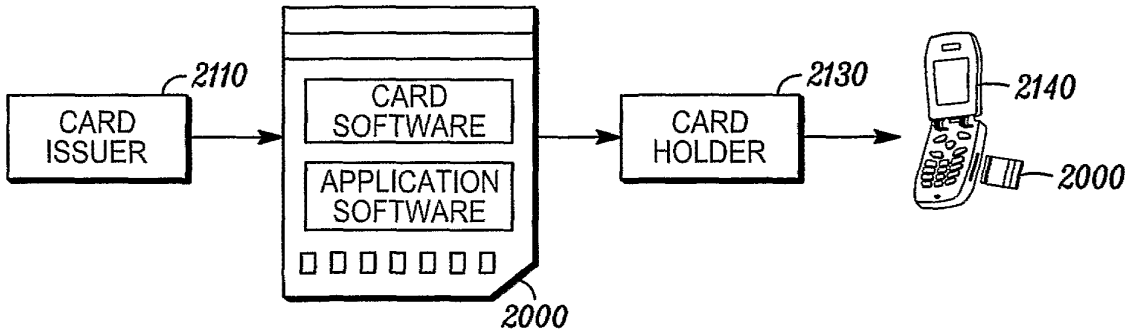

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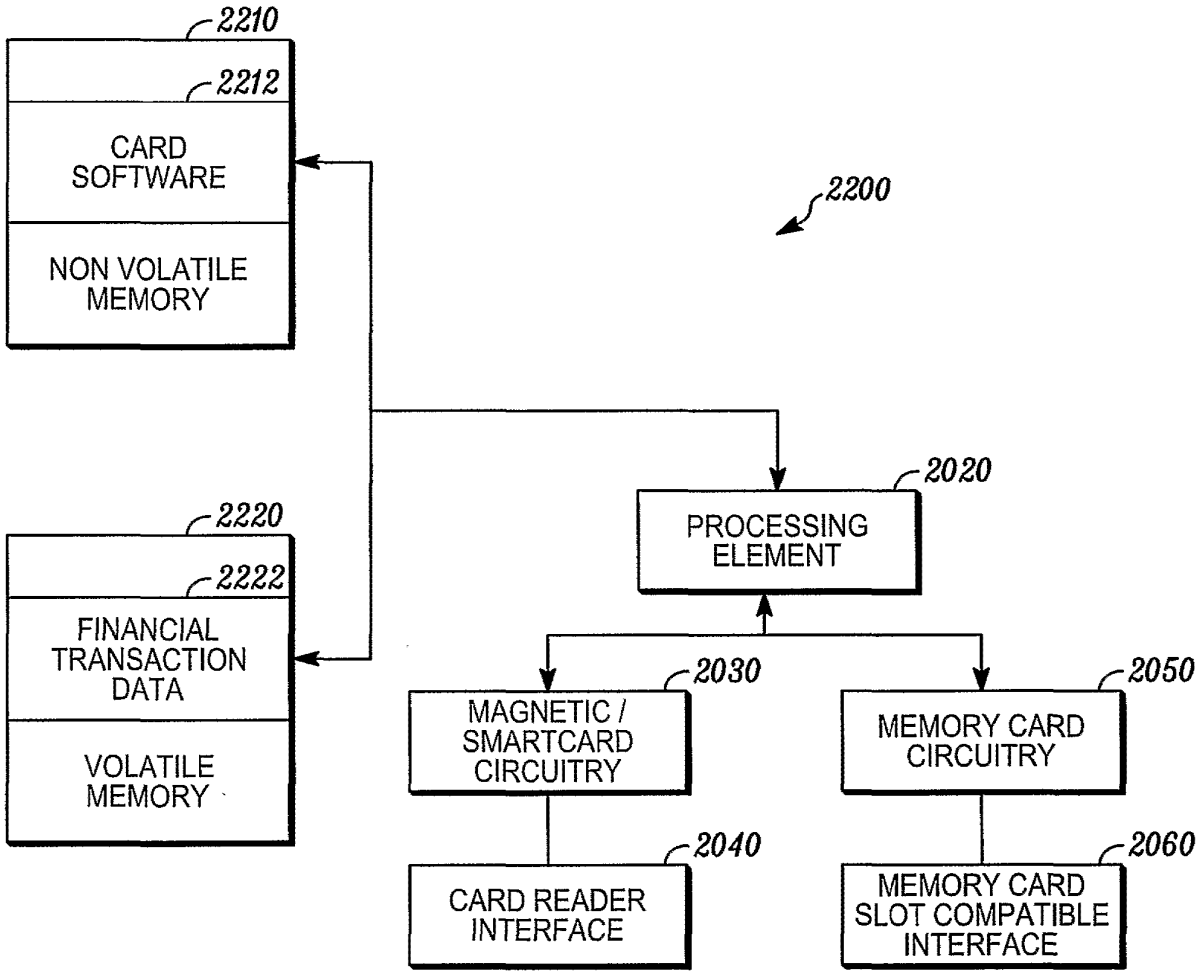

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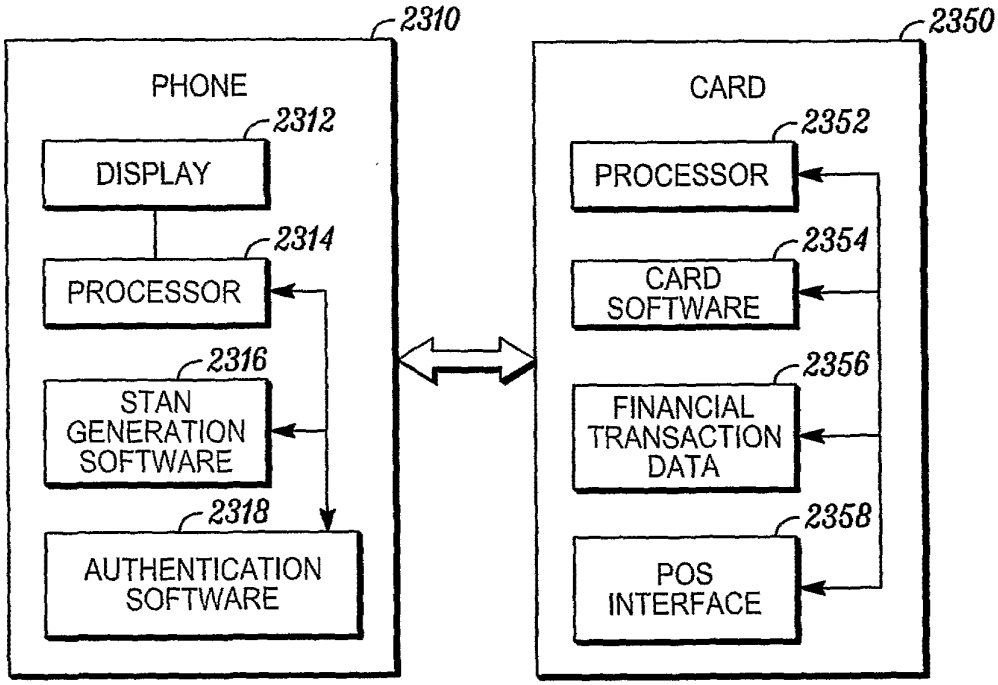

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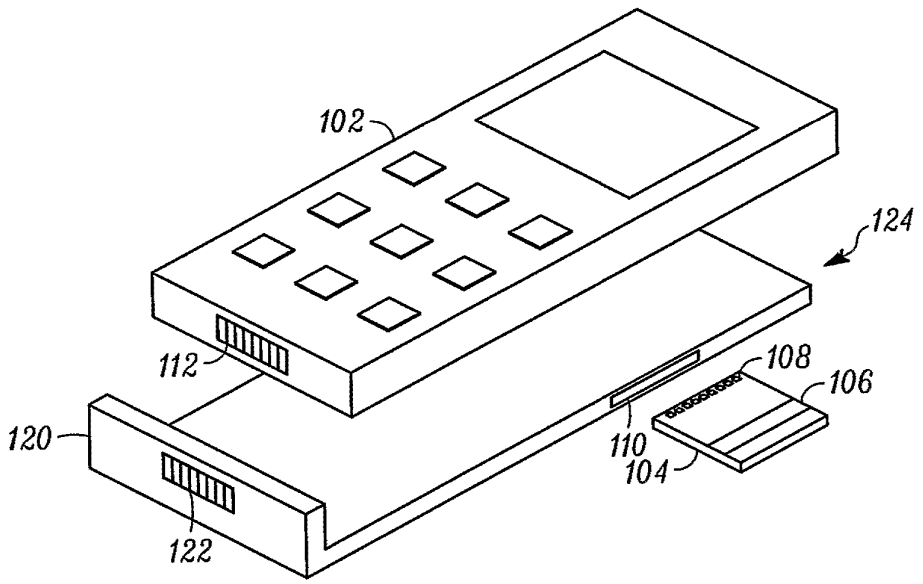
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(54) **Title:** SLEEVE FOR ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD



(57) **Abstract:** A sleeve provides communications between an electronic transaction card and an intelligent electronic device. The intelligent electronic device may be a mobile phone or other device with or without network connectivity. The electronic transaction card may have magnetic field producing circuitry compatible with magnetic card readers, smartcard circuitry, other point-of-sale interfaces, or any combination thereof.

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SLEEVE FOR ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION CARD

Field

The present invention relates generally to electronic devices, and more specifically to electronic devices that may perform transactions.

Background

Magnetic cards have many purposes. Examples include credit cards, debit cards, stored value cards, identification cards, access entry cards, and the like. Many of these cards have information stored in a magnetic stripe in a static manner. For example, a credit card may have a credit card number, a cardholder's name, and an issuing bank's name statically encoded in a magnetic strip. Likewise, an identification card or access entry card may have statically encoded information that identifies an individual or allows access to a controlled access area. When the card is swiped through a magnetic card reader, the information is transferred to the magnetic card reader to perform a transaction, such as a financial transaction or identification transaction.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figures 1-4 show exploded views of an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve, and an electronic transaction card;

Figure 5 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve, and an electronic transaction card;

Figure 6 shows an electronic transaction card and a card reader;

Figure 7 shows an intelligent electronic device, a sleeve an electronic transaction card, and a magnetic card reader;

Figure 8 show a sleeve for use with an electronic transaction card;

Figures 9-11 show block diagrams of sleeves;

Figures 12 and 13 show a foldable electronic transaction card;

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

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.

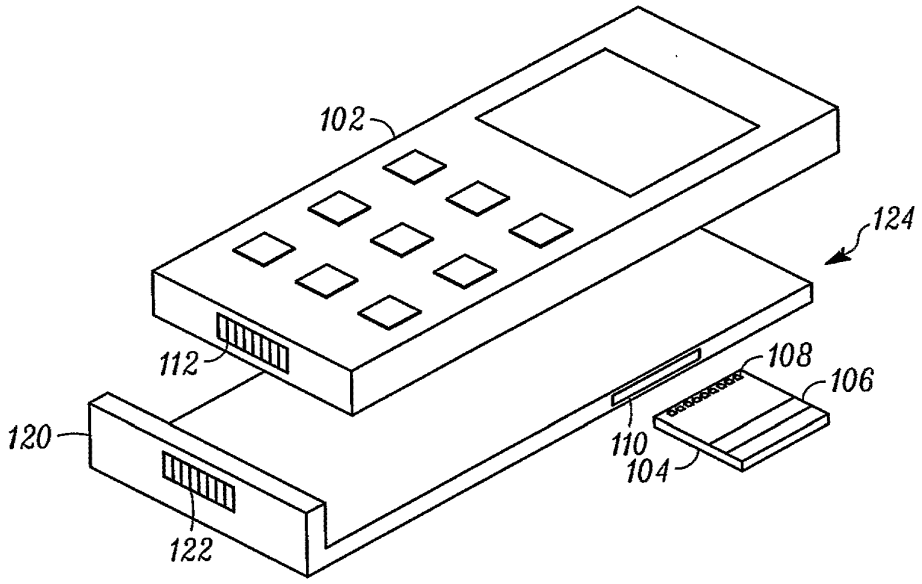


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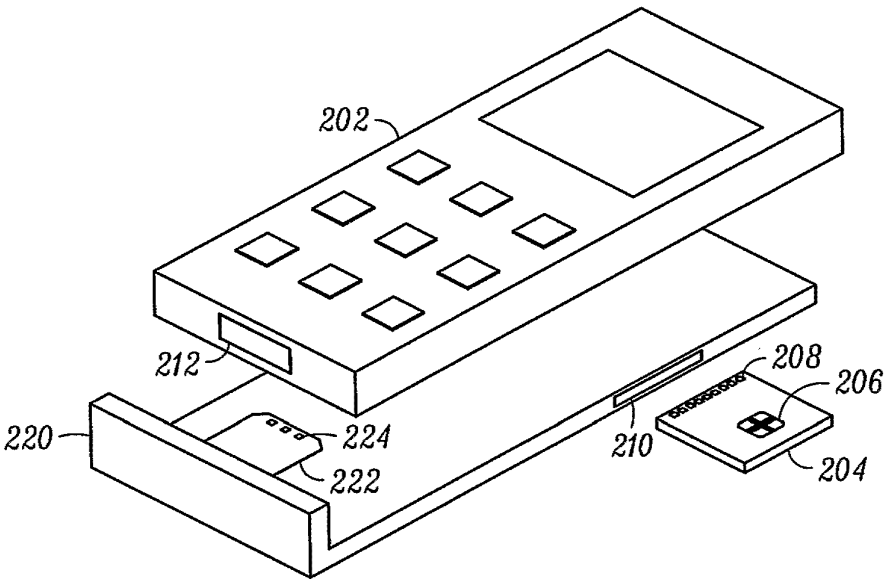


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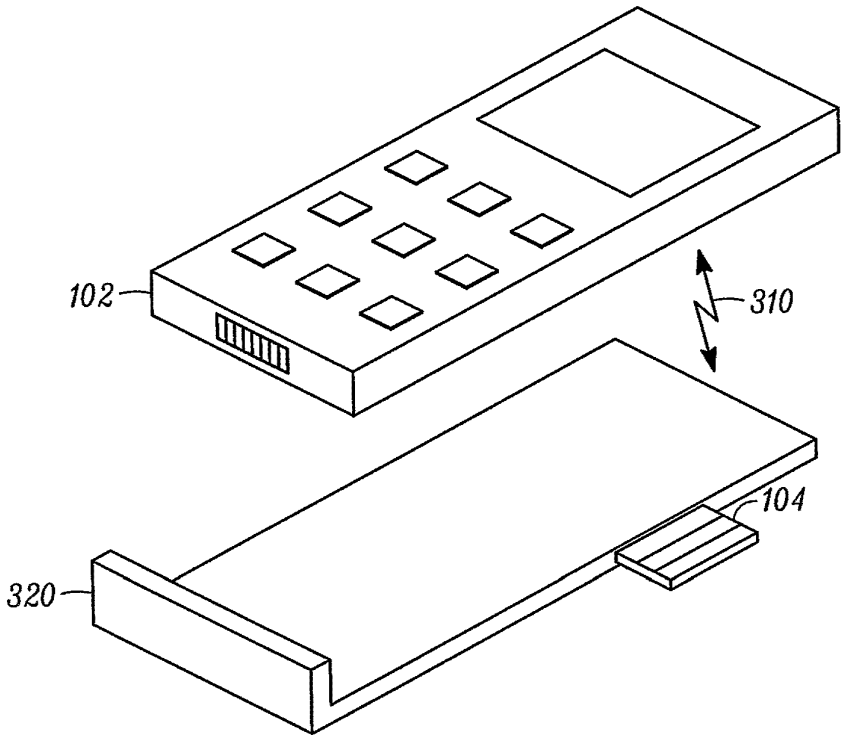


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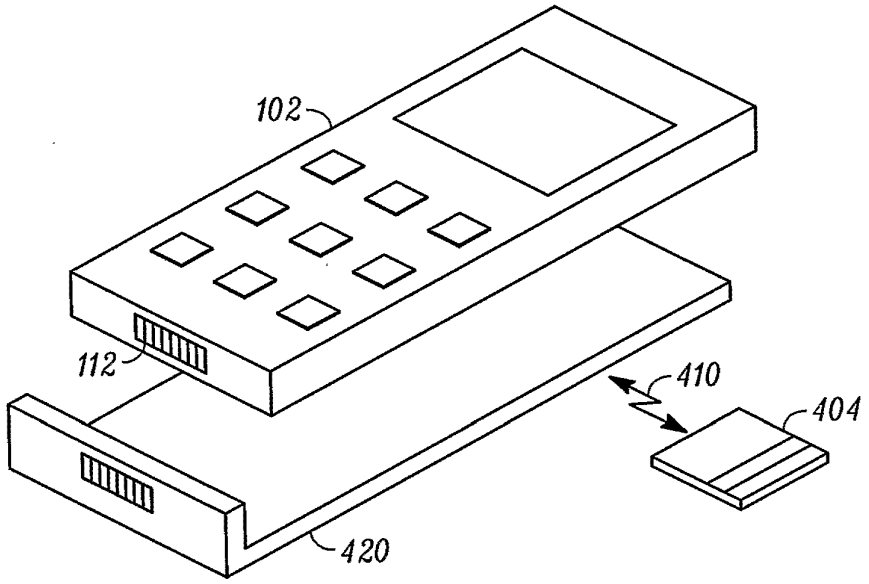


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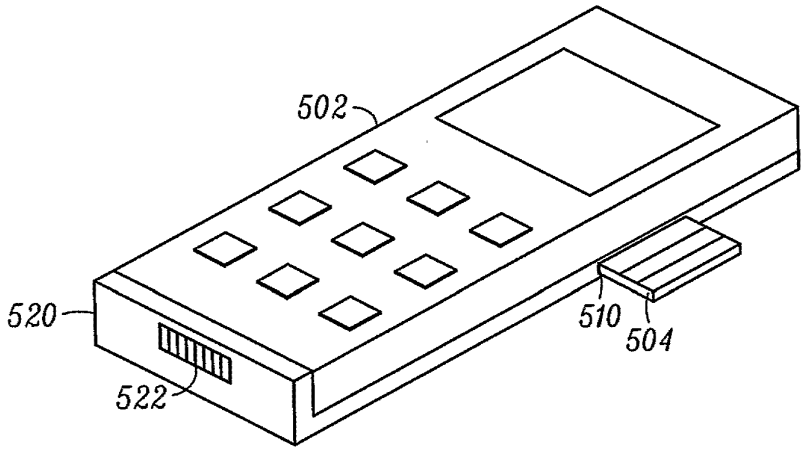


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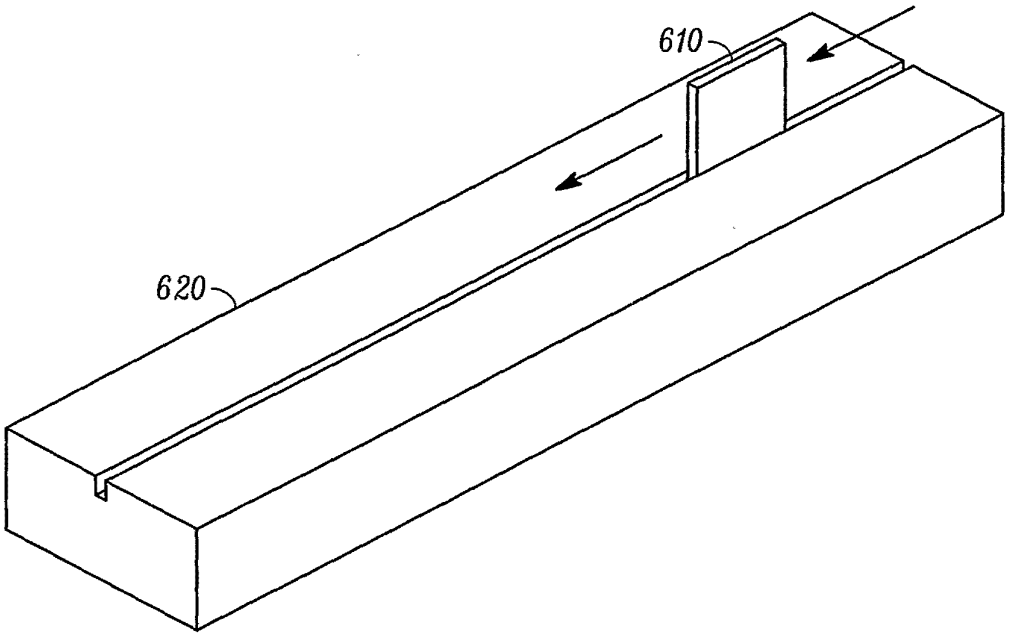


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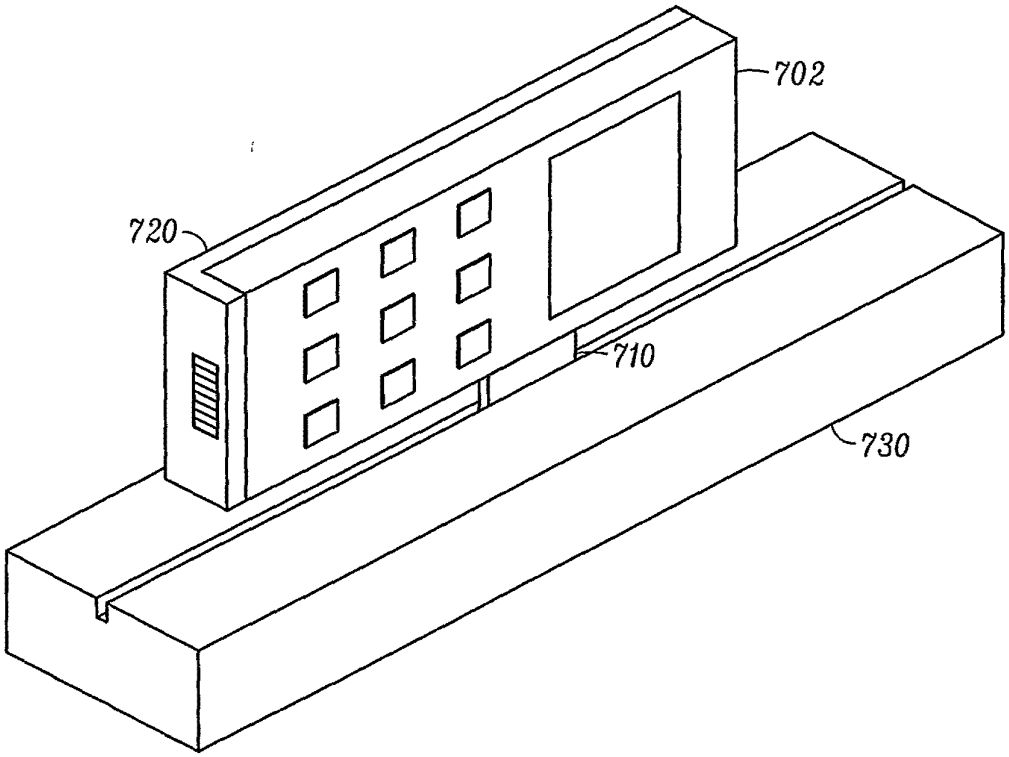


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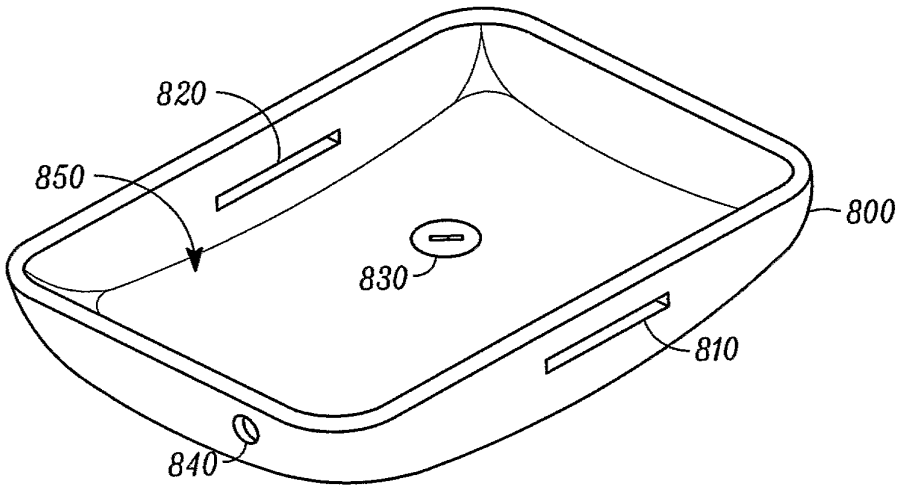


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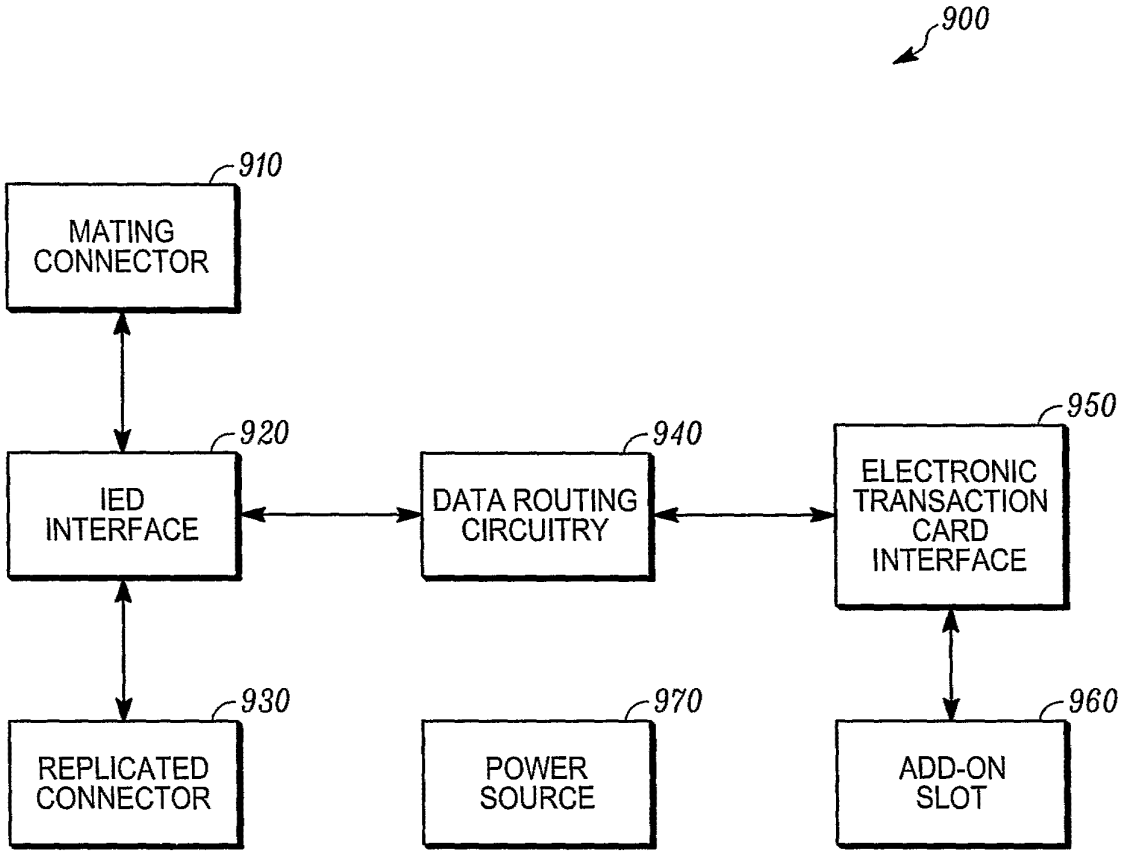

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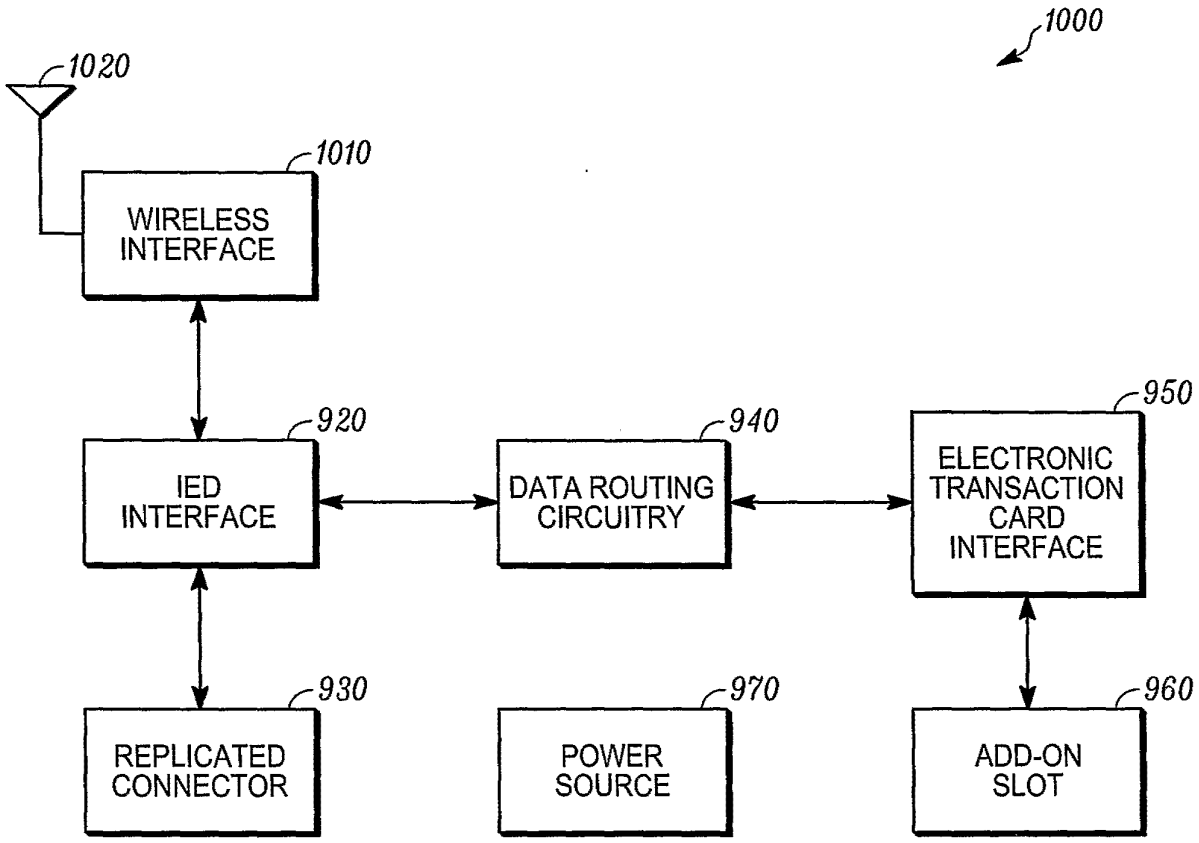

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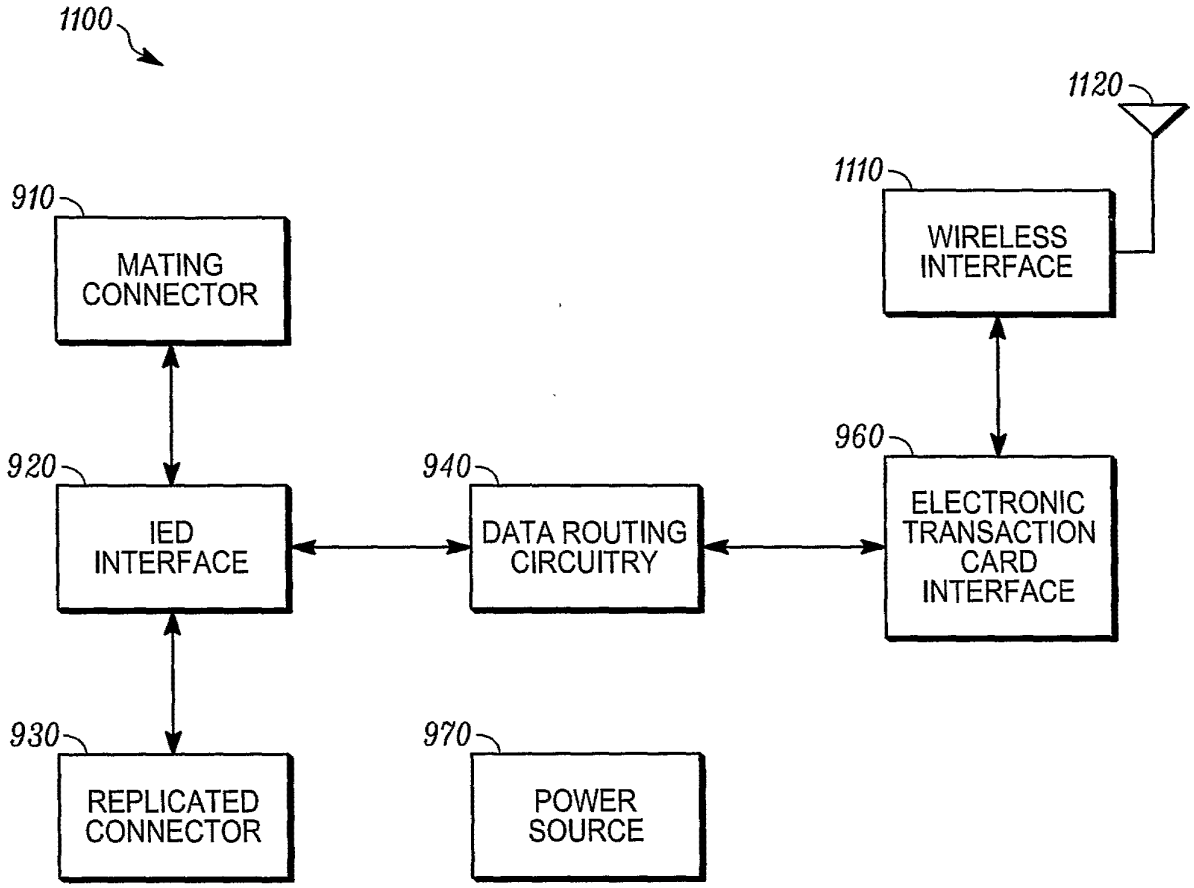

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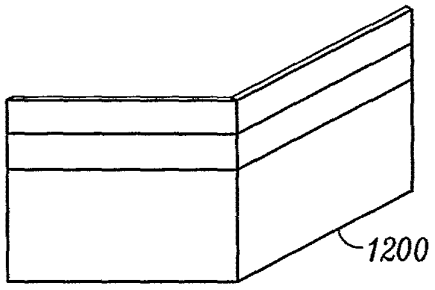


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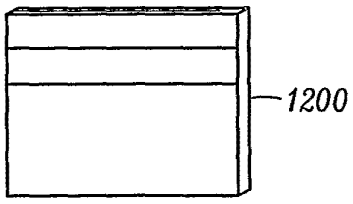


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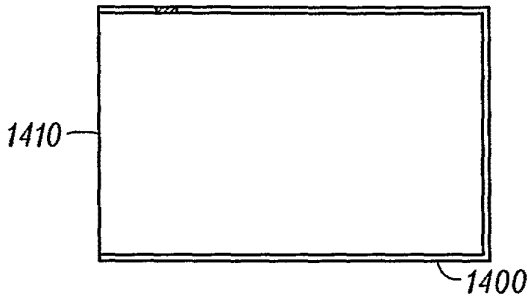


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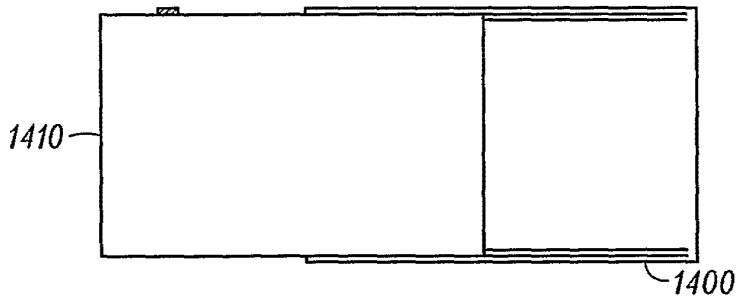


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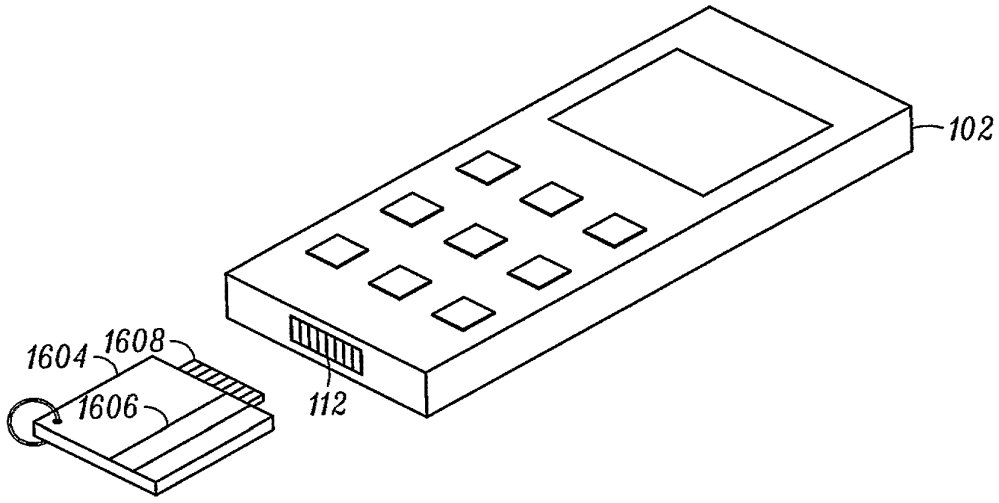


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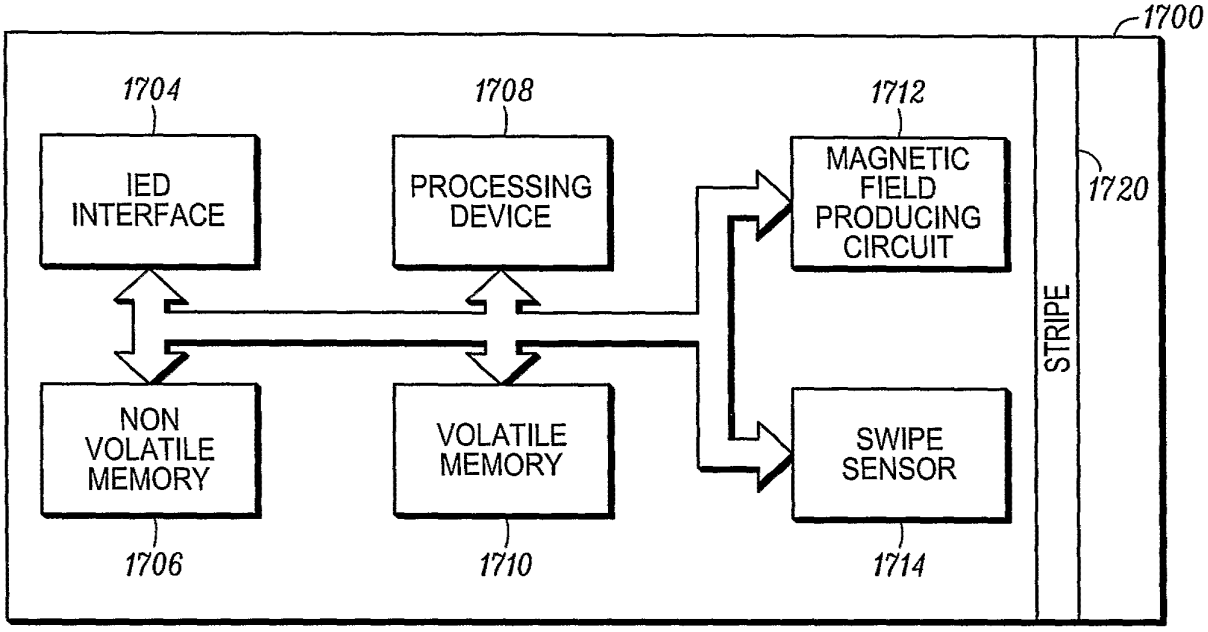

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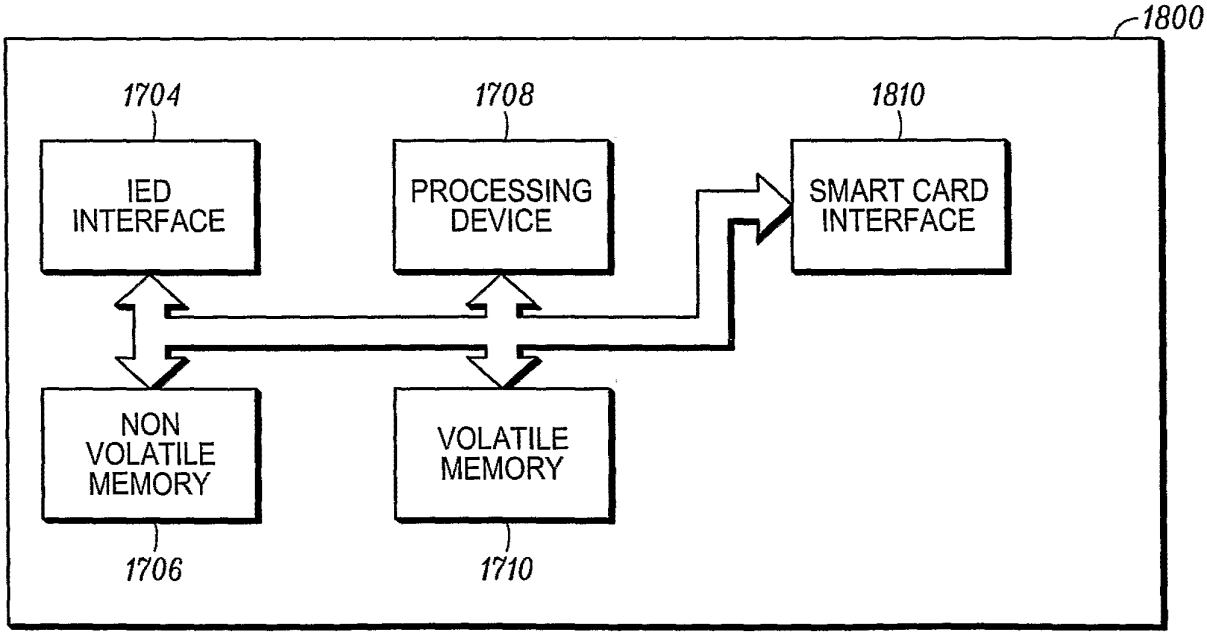

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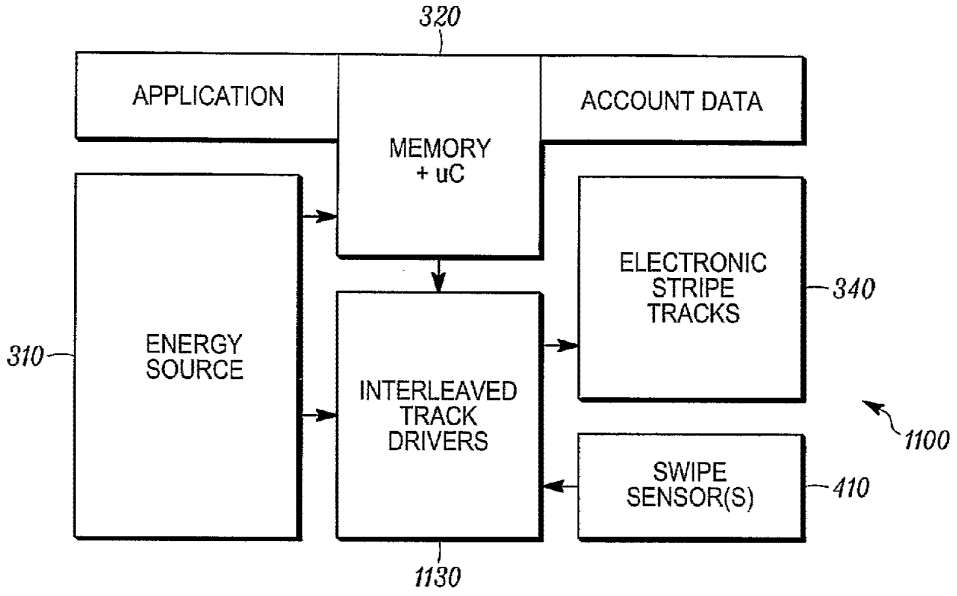
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(54) Title: ELECTRONIC STRIPE CARDS



(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

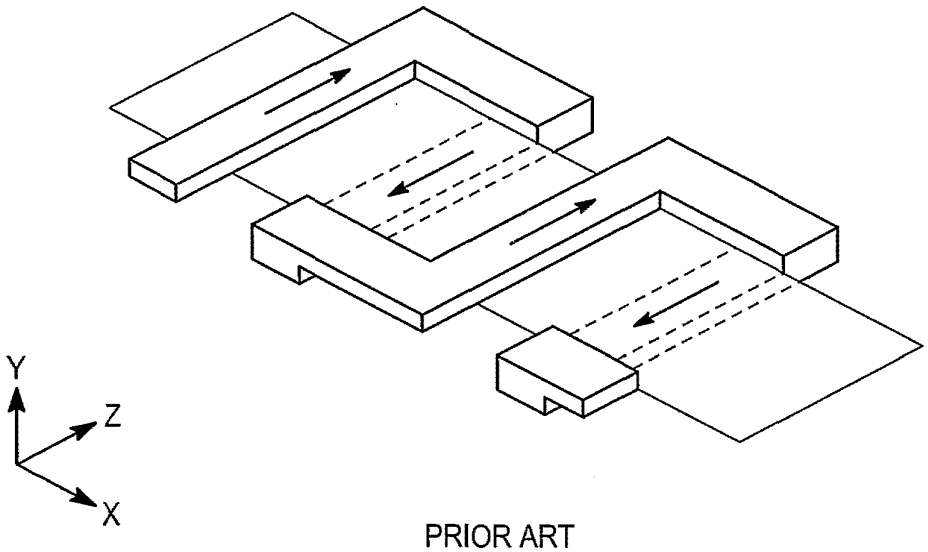
driving a first conductive path to mimic a first magnetic track and driving a second conductive path to mimic a second magnetic track, wherein the driving of the first and second conductive paths is interleaved.

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.

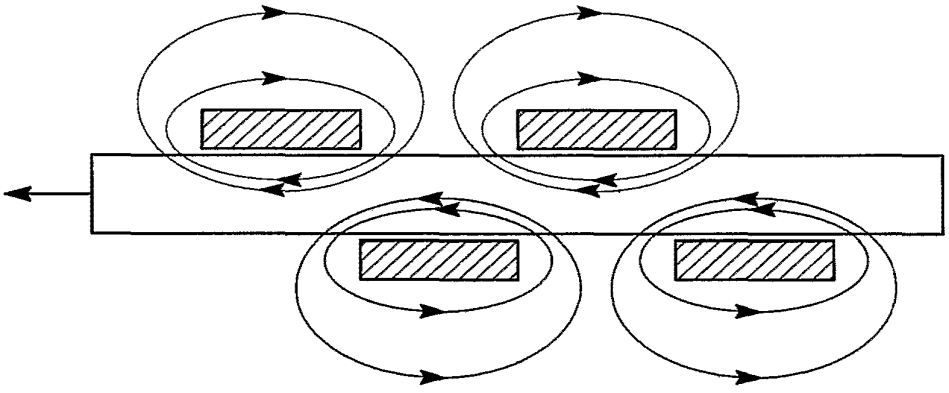
22. The method of claim 19 wherein driving a first conductive path comprises driving a first conductive path alternating between a top metal layer and a bottom metal layer, wherein the conductive path on the top metal layer is remote from the conductive path on the bottom metal layer to reduce magnetic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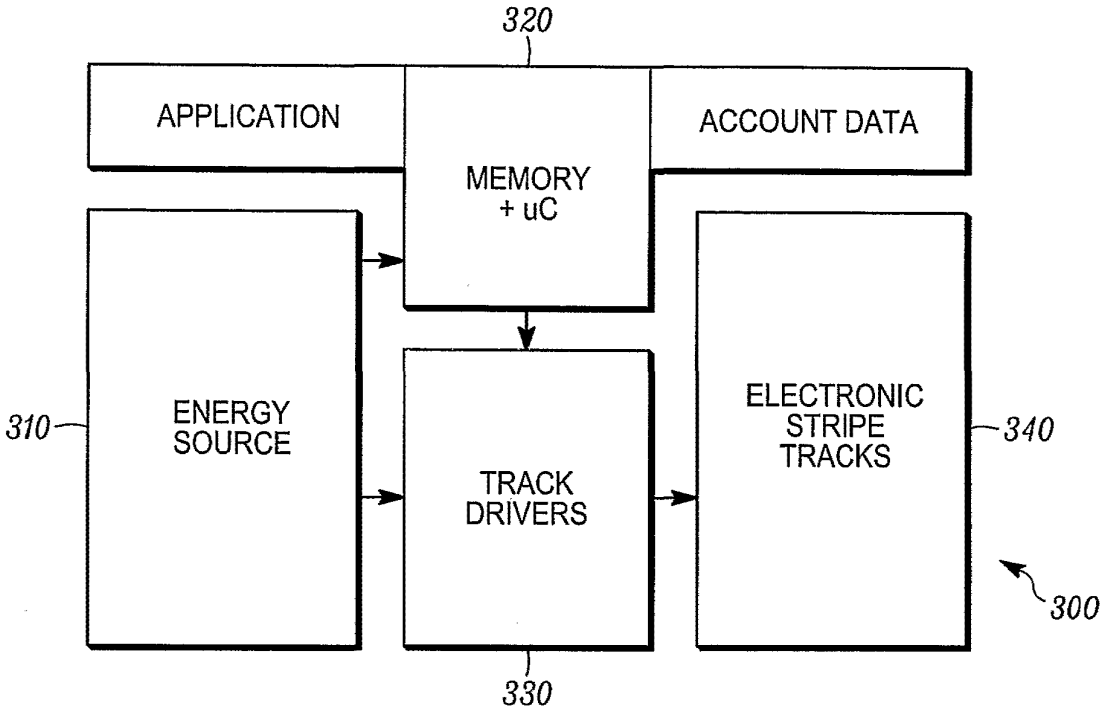

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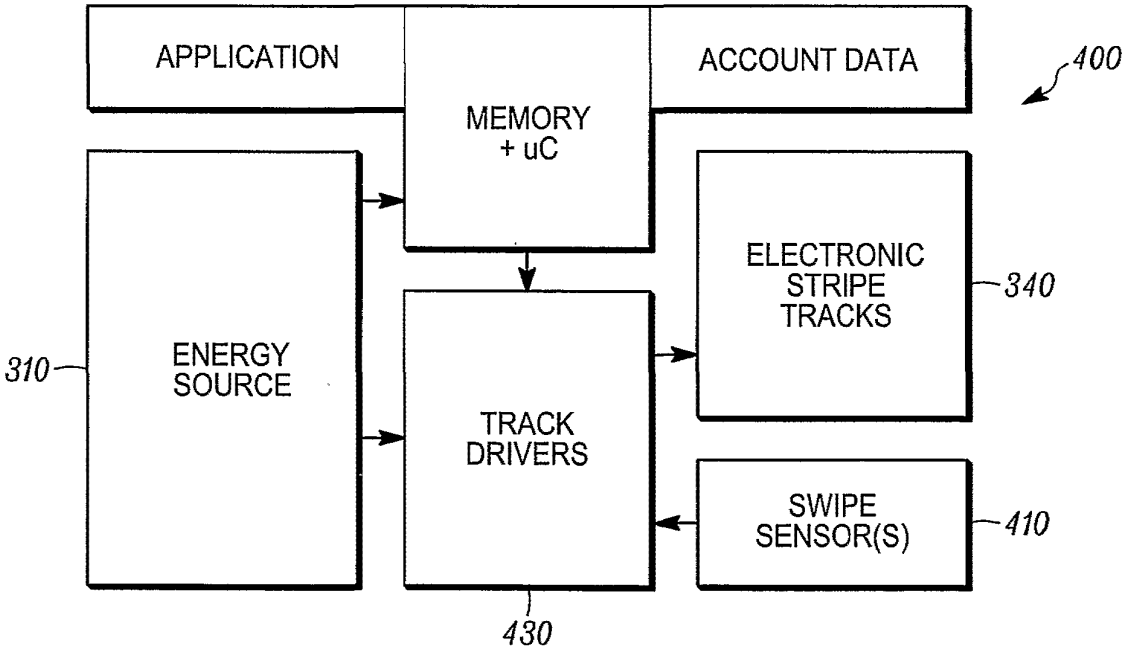

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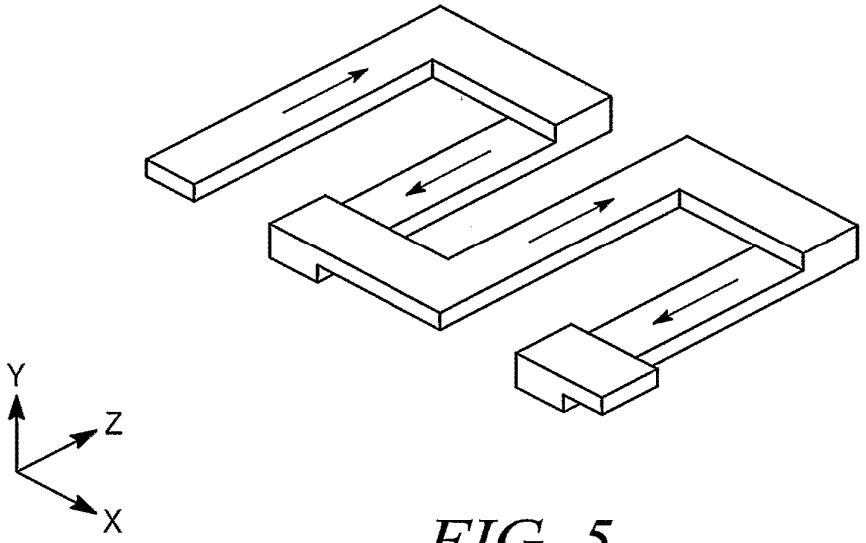


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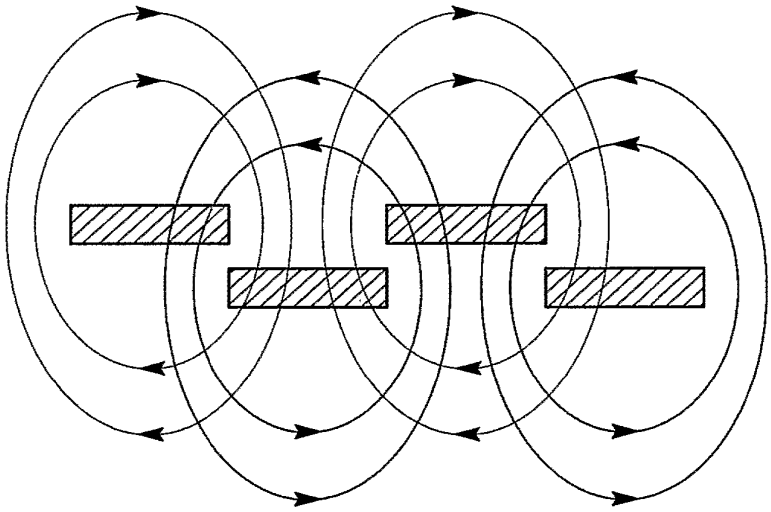


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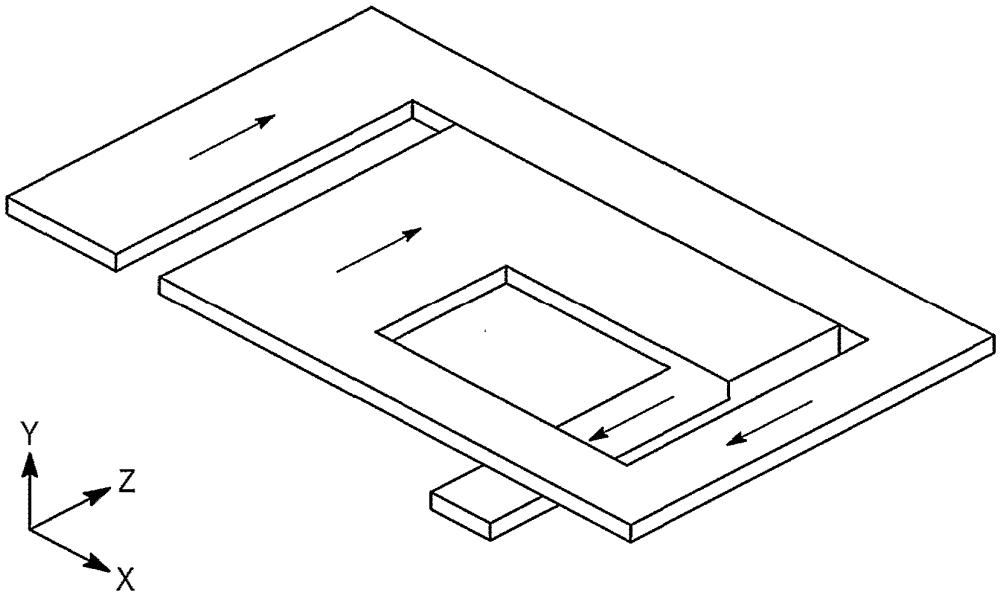


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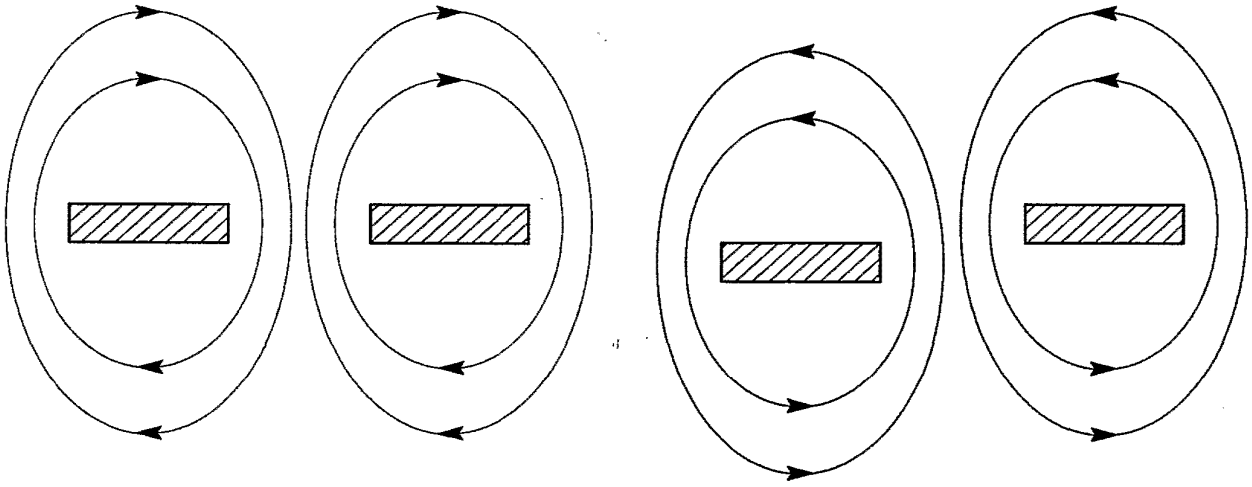


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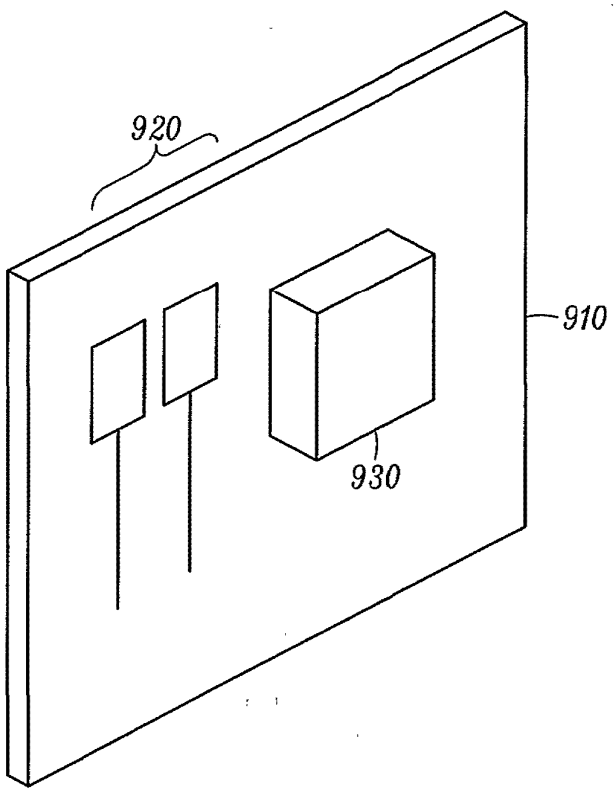

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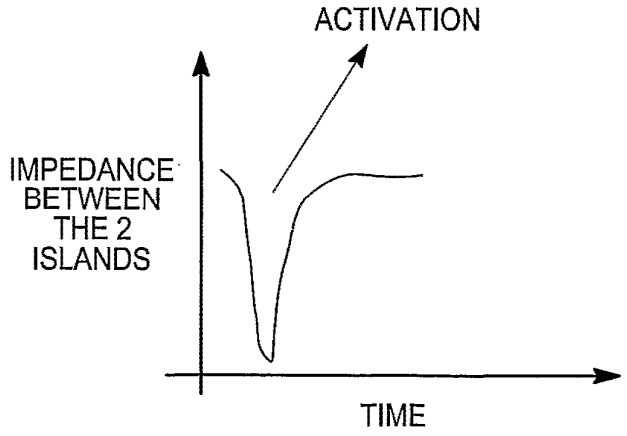

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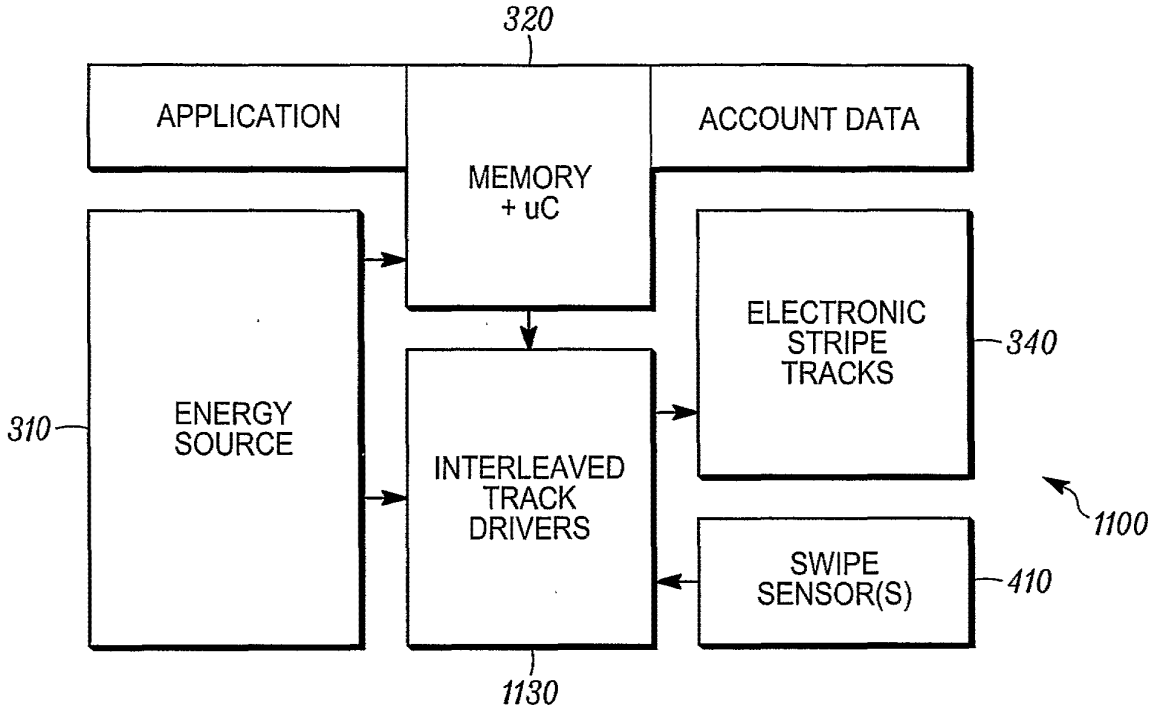

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(54) **Title:** MEMORY CARD HIDDEN COMMAND PROTOCOL

(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.

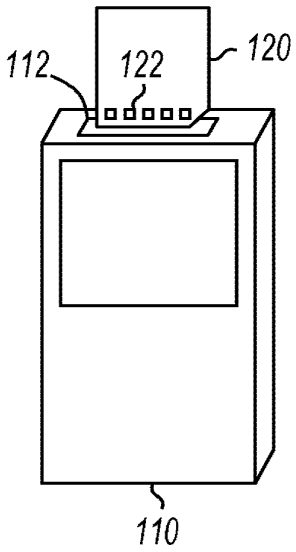


FIG. 1

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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;

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.

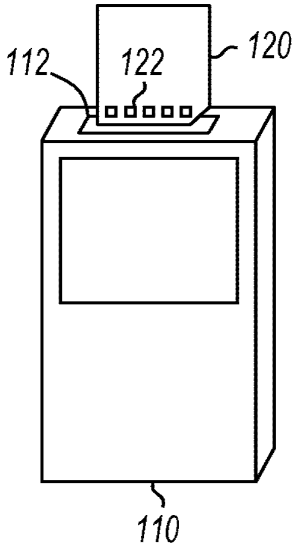

112
122
120
110

FIG. 1

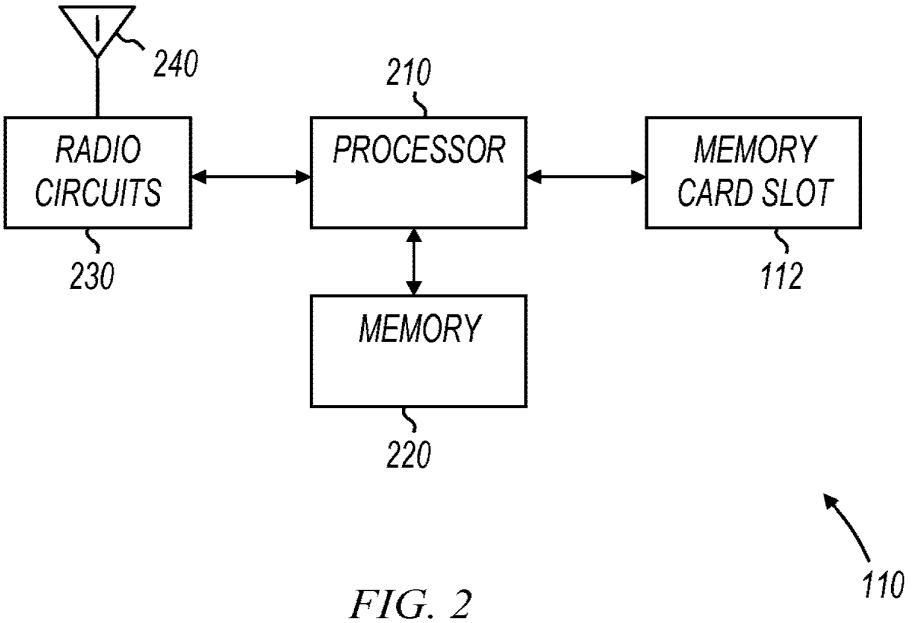

240
210
RADIO CIRCUITS
PROCESSOR
MEMORY CARD SLOT
230
112
MEMORY
220
110

FIG. 2

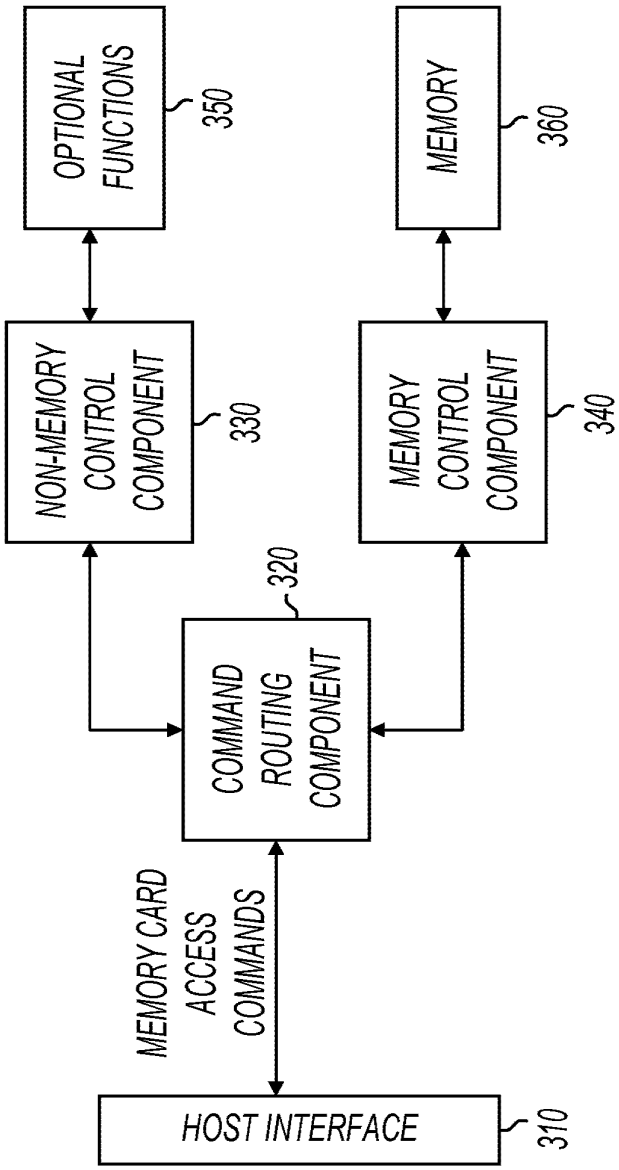

OPTIONAL FUNCTIONS
350
MEMORY
360
NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
330
MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
340
320
COMMAND ROUTING COMPONENT
MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMANDS
HOST INTERFACE
310
300

FIG. 3

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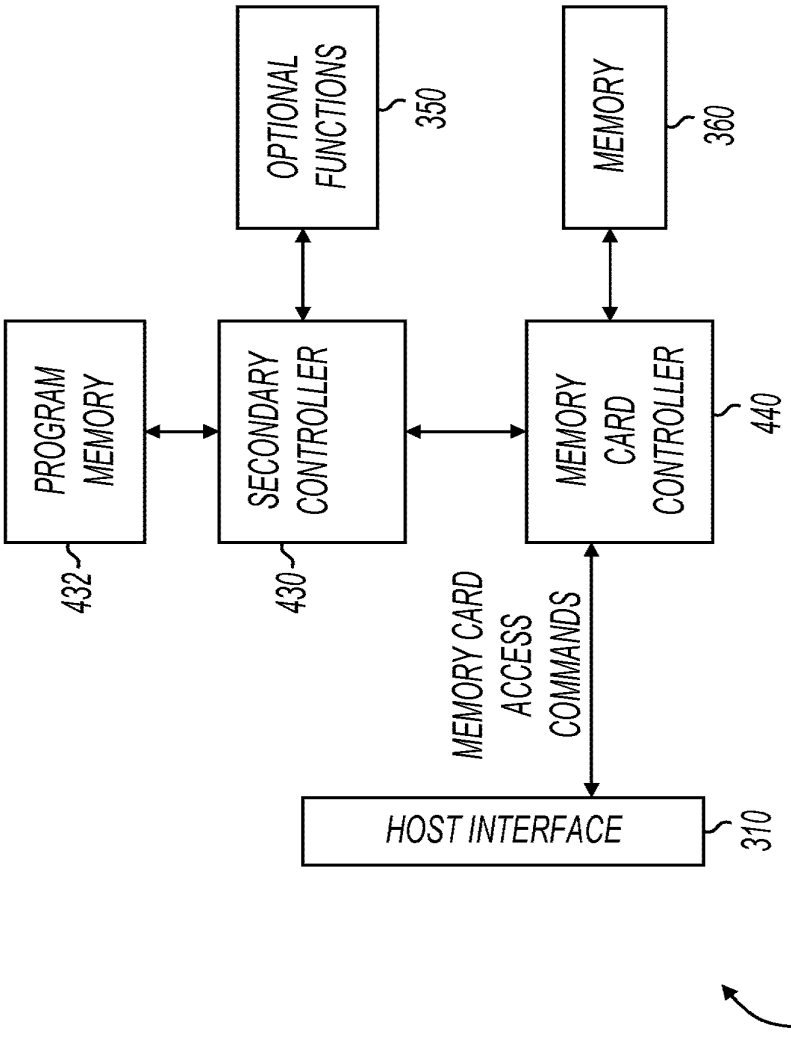


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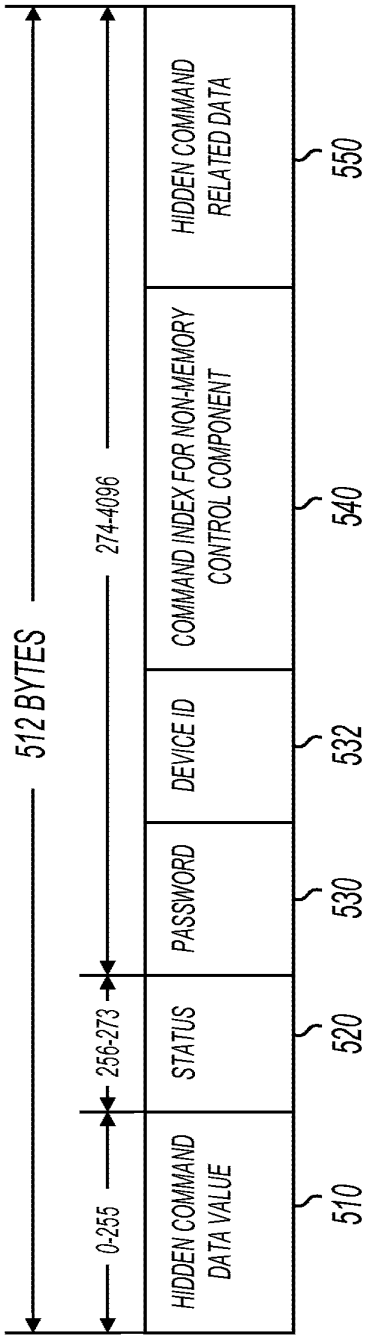

512 BYTES
274-4096
0-255
256-273
HIDDEN COMMAND DATA VALUE
STATUS
PASSWORD
DEVICE ID
COMMAND INDEX FOR NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
HIDDEN COMMAND RELATED DATA
510
520
530
532
540
550

FIG. 5

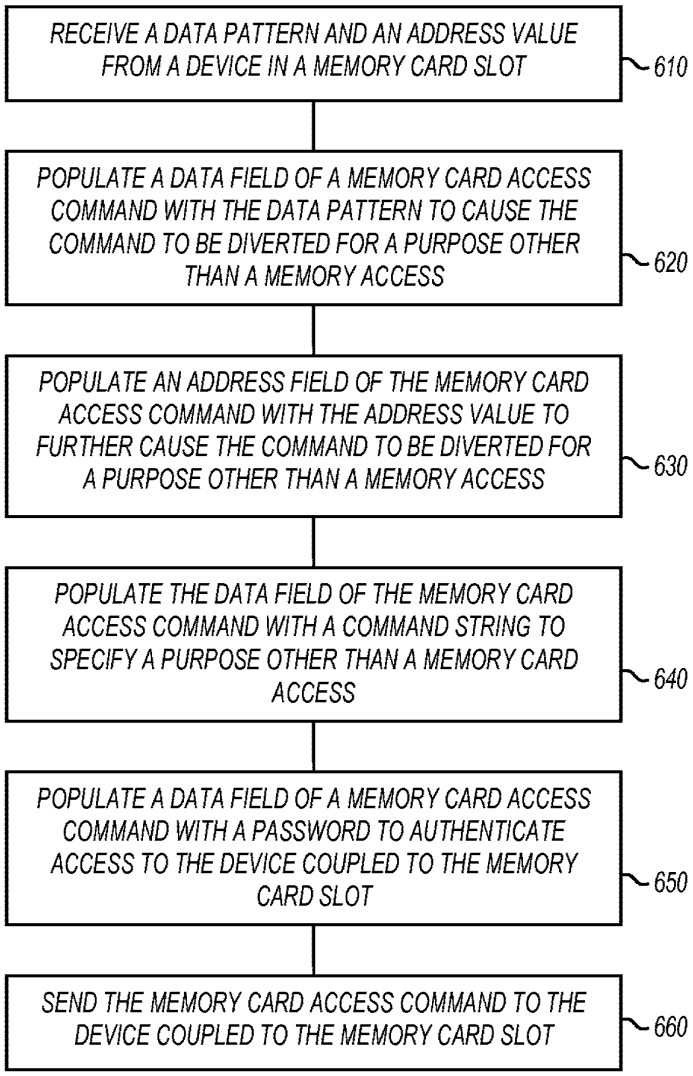

RECEIVE A DATA PATTERN AND AN ADDRESS VALUE FROM A DEVICE IN A MEMORY CARD SLOT
610
POPULATE A DATA FIELD OF A MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND WITH THE DATA PATTERN TO CAUSE THE COMMAND TO BE DIVERTED FOR A PURPOSE OTHER THAN A MEMORY ACCESS
620
POPULATE AN ADDRESS FIELD OF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND 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

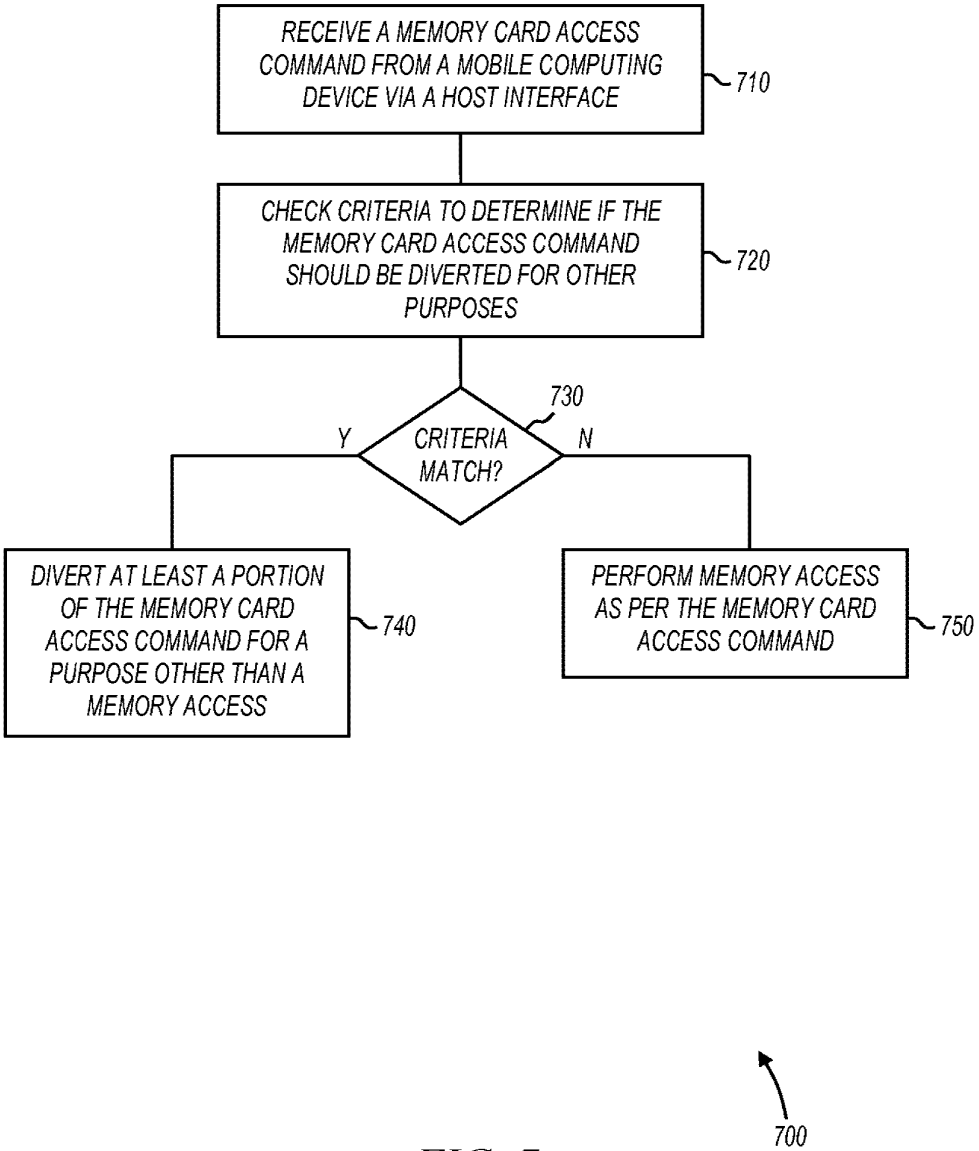

RECEIVE A MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND FROM A MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE VIA A HOST INTERFACE
710
CHECK CRITERIA TO DETERMINE IF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND SHOULD BE DIVERTED FOR OTHER PURPOSES
720
730
CRITERIA MATCH?
Y
N
DIVERT AT LEAST A PORTION OF THE MEMORY CARD ACCESS COMMAND FOR A PURPOSE OTHER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

FIG. 7

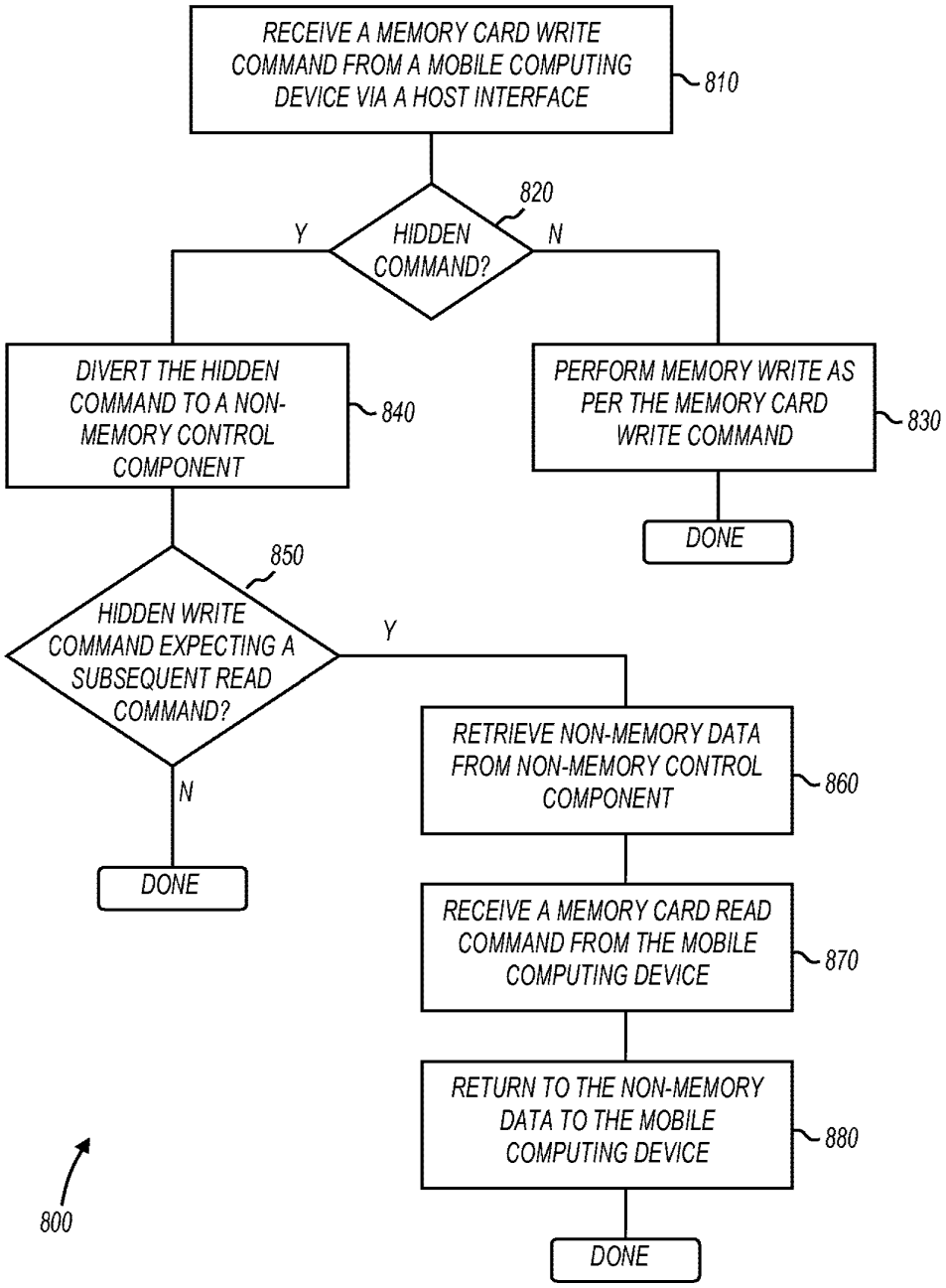

RECEIVE A MEMORY CARD WRITE COMMAND FROM A MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE VIA A HOST INTERFACE
810
820
HIDDEN COMMAND?
Y
N
DIVERT THE HIDDEN COMMAND TO A NON-MEMORY CONTROL COMPONENT
840
PERFORM MEMORY WRITE AS PER THE MEMORY CARD WRITE COMMAND
830
DONE
850
HIDDEN WRITE COMMAND EXPECTING A SUBSEQUENT READ COMMAND?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

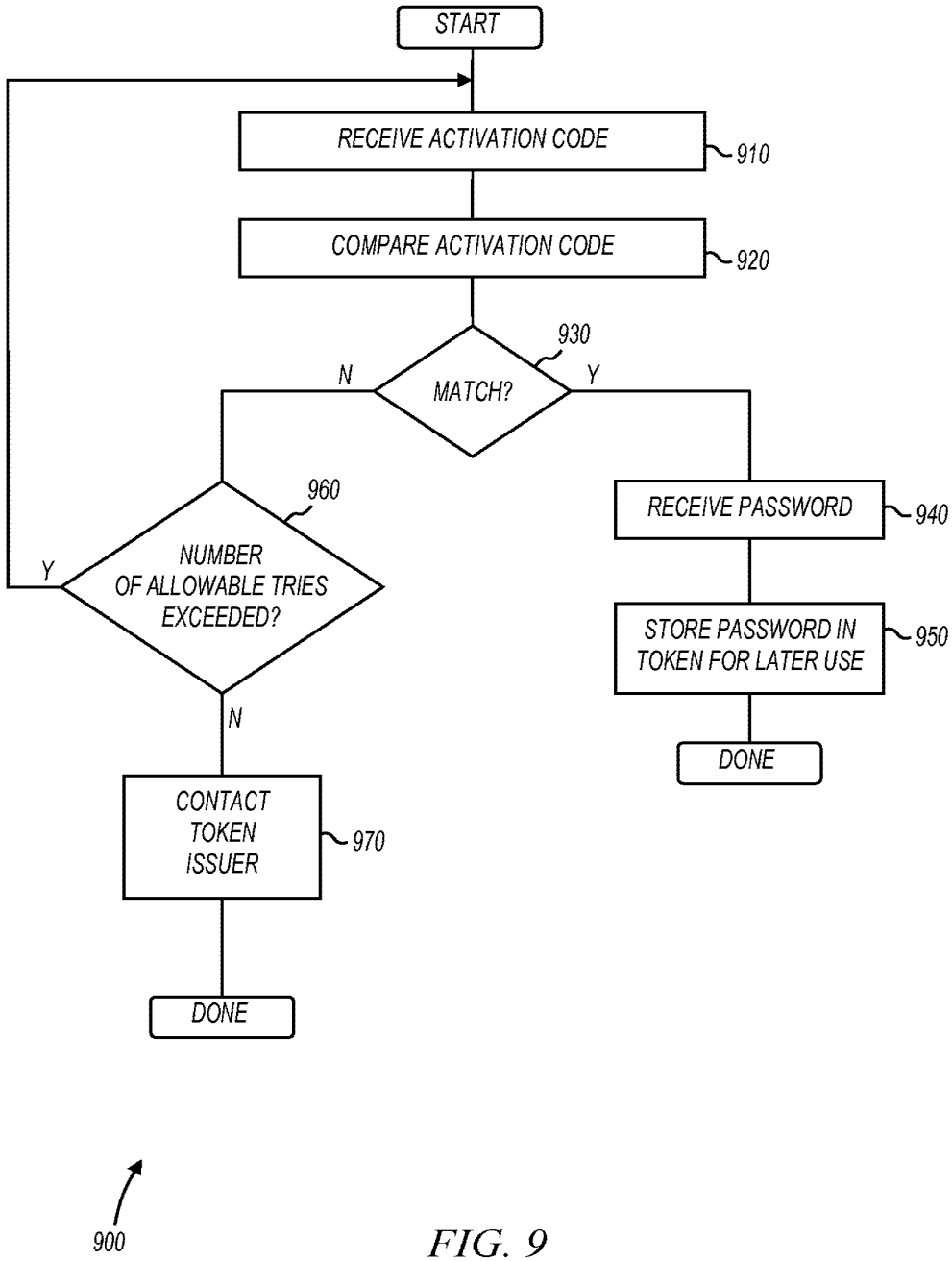

START
RECEIVE ACTIVATION CODE
910
COMPARE ACTIVATION CODE
920
930
MATCH?
N
Y
960
NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE TRIES EXCEEDED?
Y
N
RECEIVE PASSWORD
940
STORE PASSWORD IN TOKEN FOR LATER USE
950
DONE
CONTACT TOKEN ISSUER
970
DONE
900

FIG. 9

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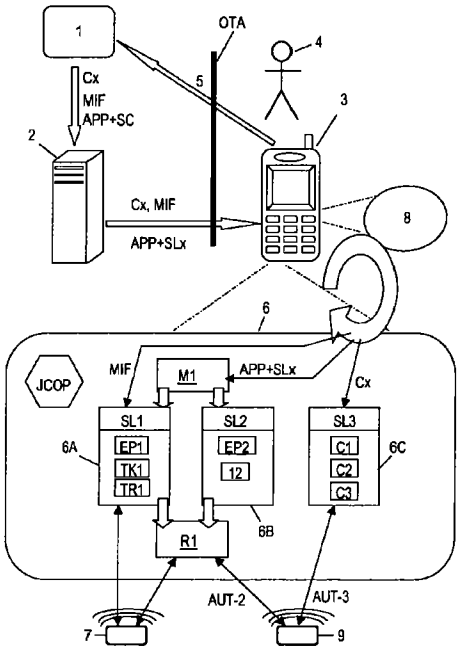


Fig. 4

(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.

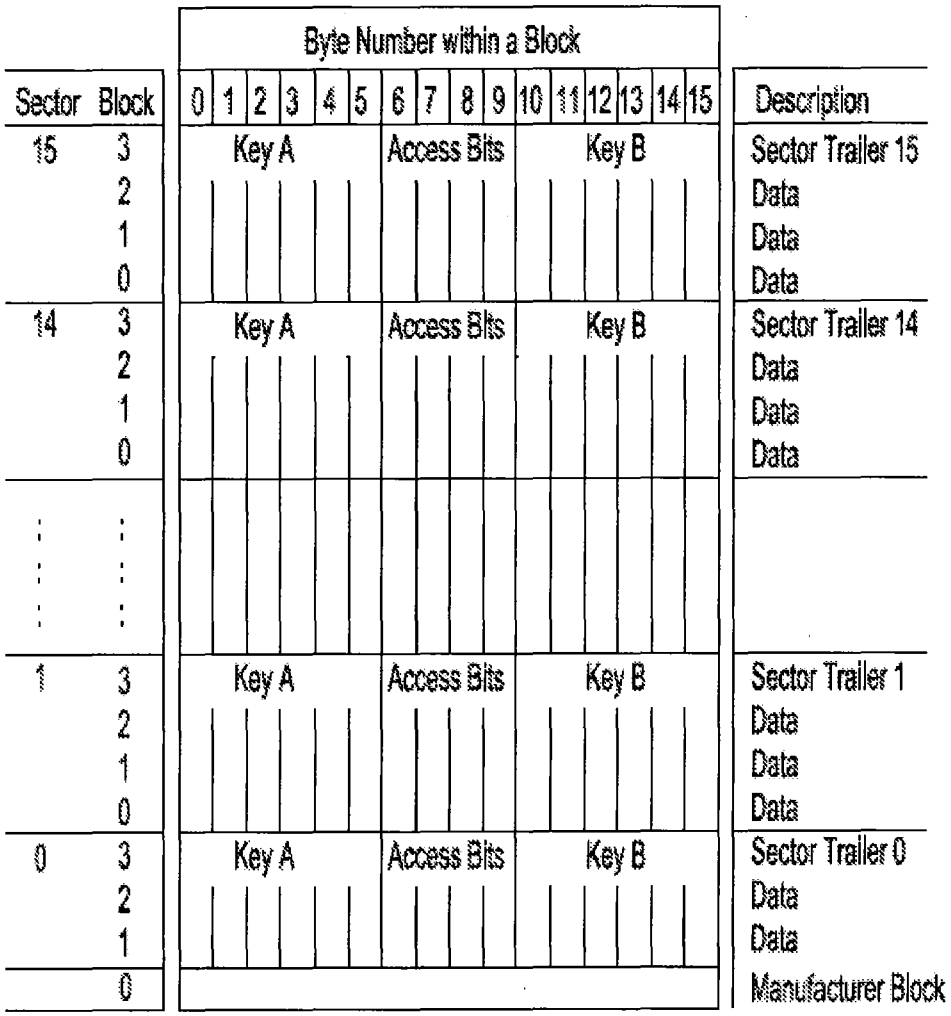


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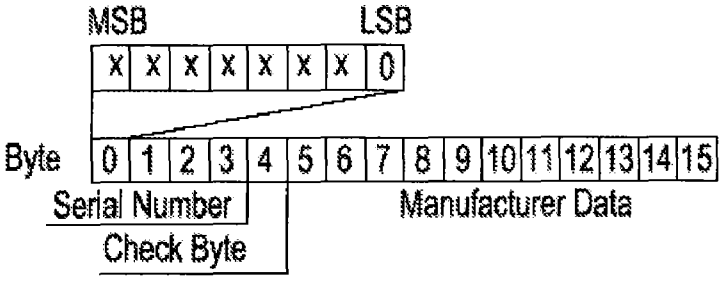


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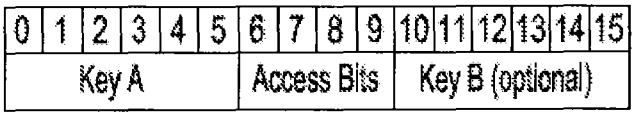


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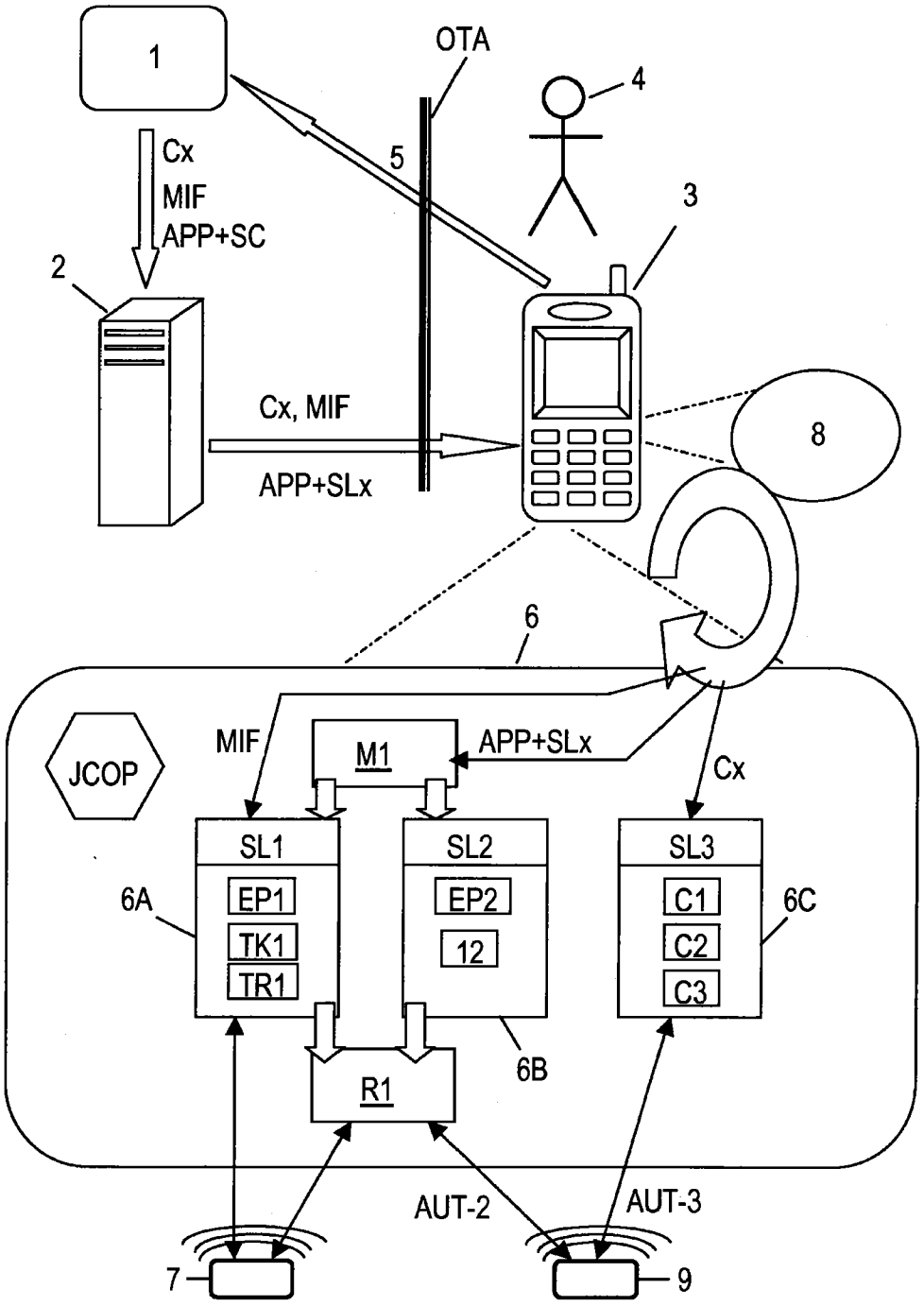

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

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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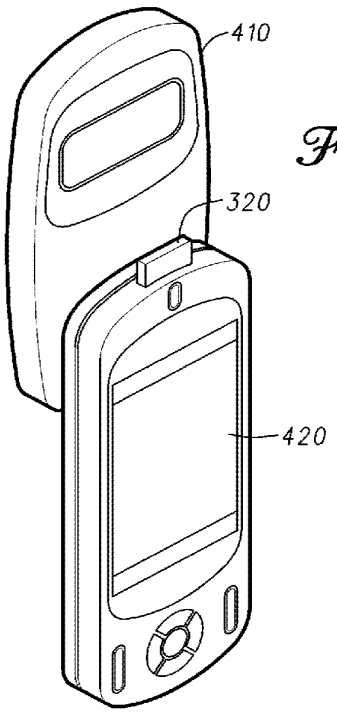


Fig. 4

(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

Related Applications

Benefit is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 61/155,144, entitled "Contactless Device with Miniaturized Antenna" by Narendra et al., filed February 24, 2009, which is herein incorporated in its entirety by reference for all purposes.

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:

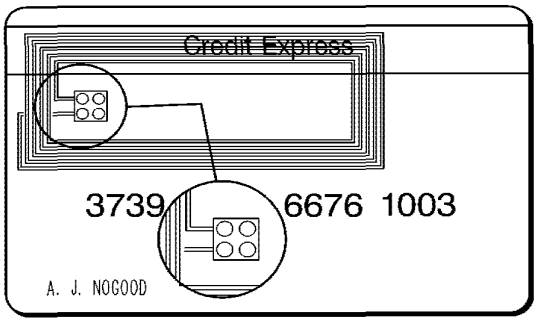
a memory card compatible substrate having at least one surface, an inner edge, and an outer edge opposite the inner edge;

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.

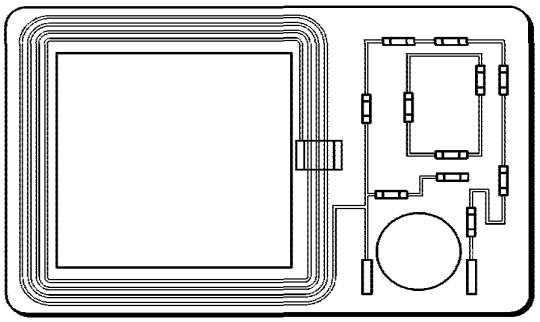
22. The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the apparatus has a micro secure digital (microSD) form factor.

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.



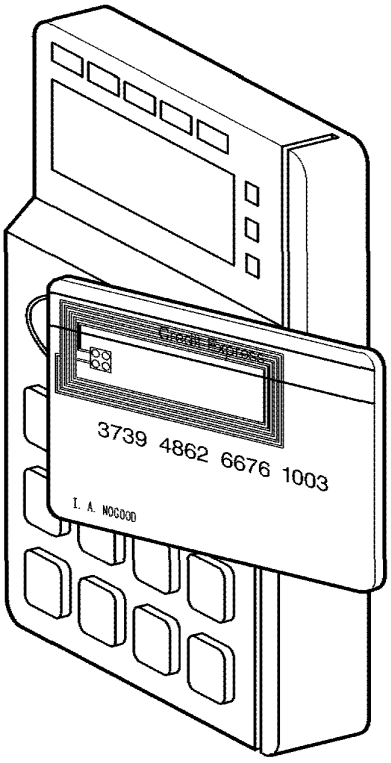
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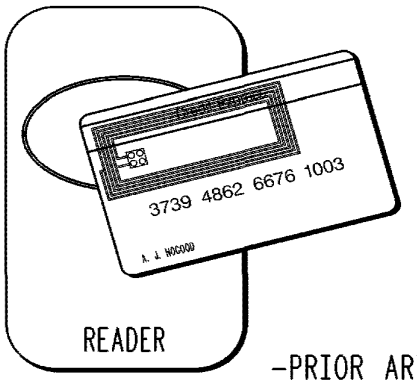
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Fig. 1B



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Fig. 2A



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Fig. 2B

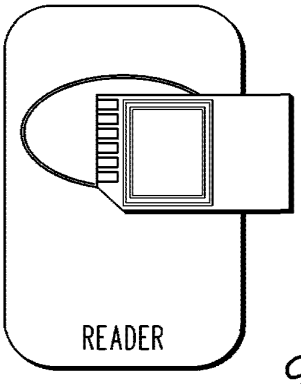


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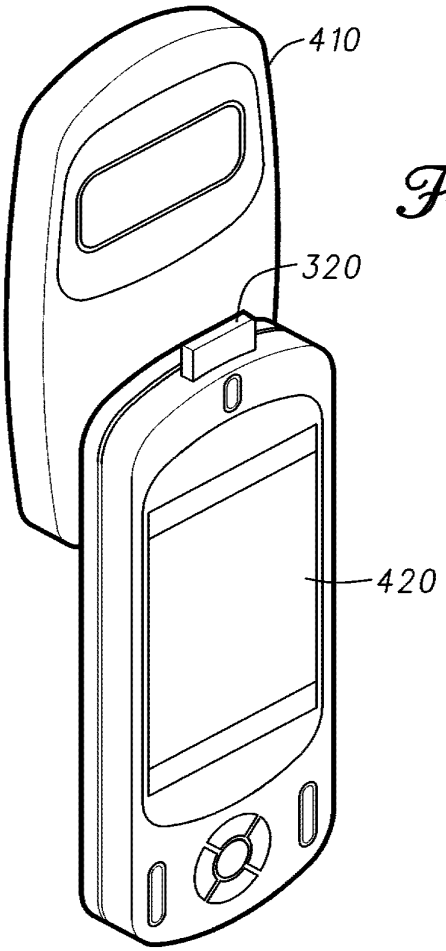


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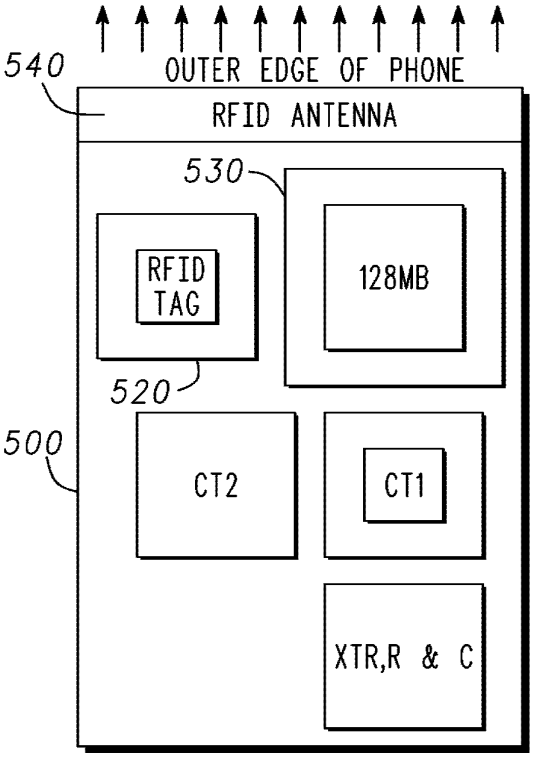


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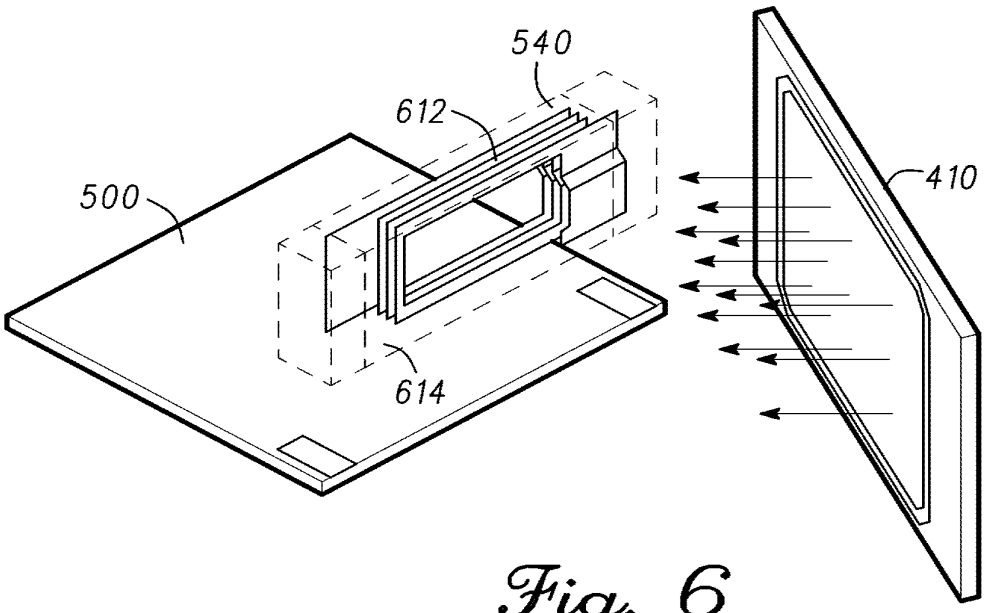


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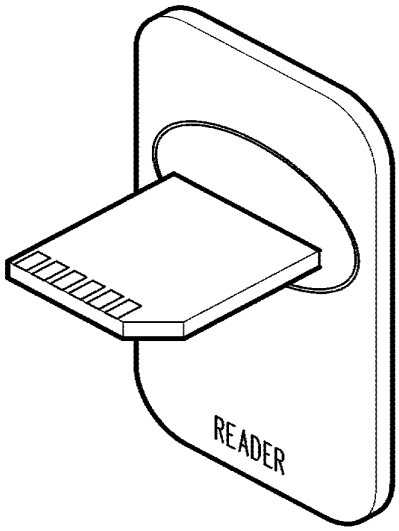


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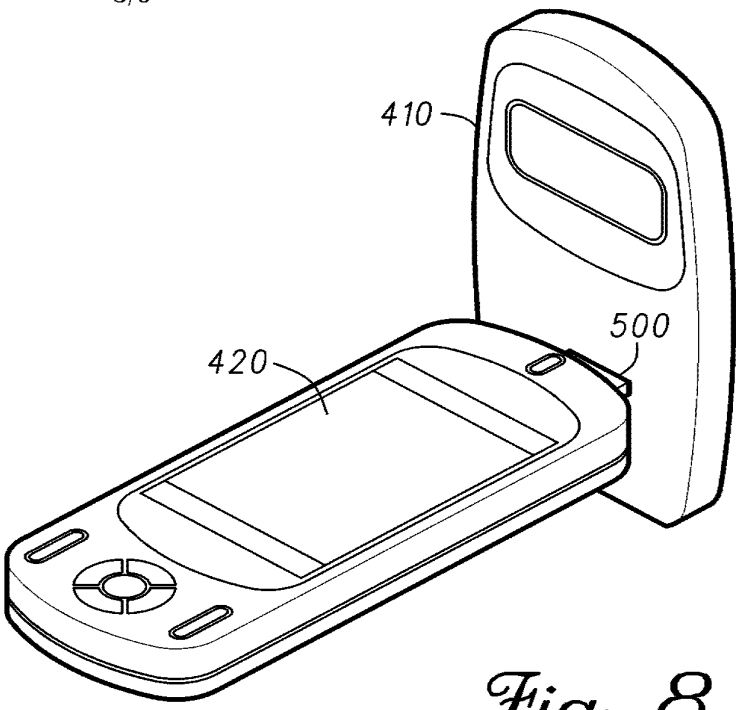


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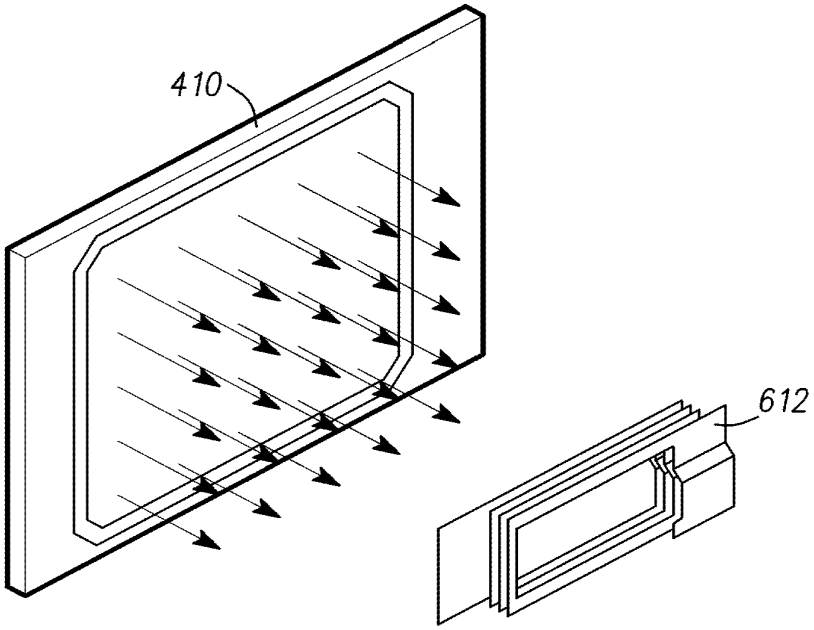


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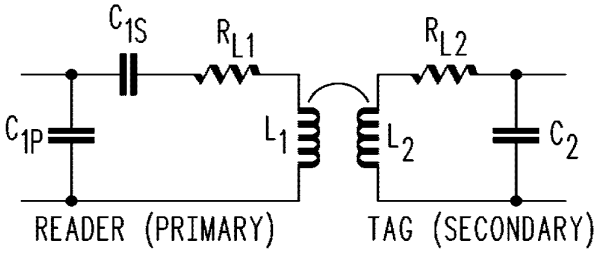


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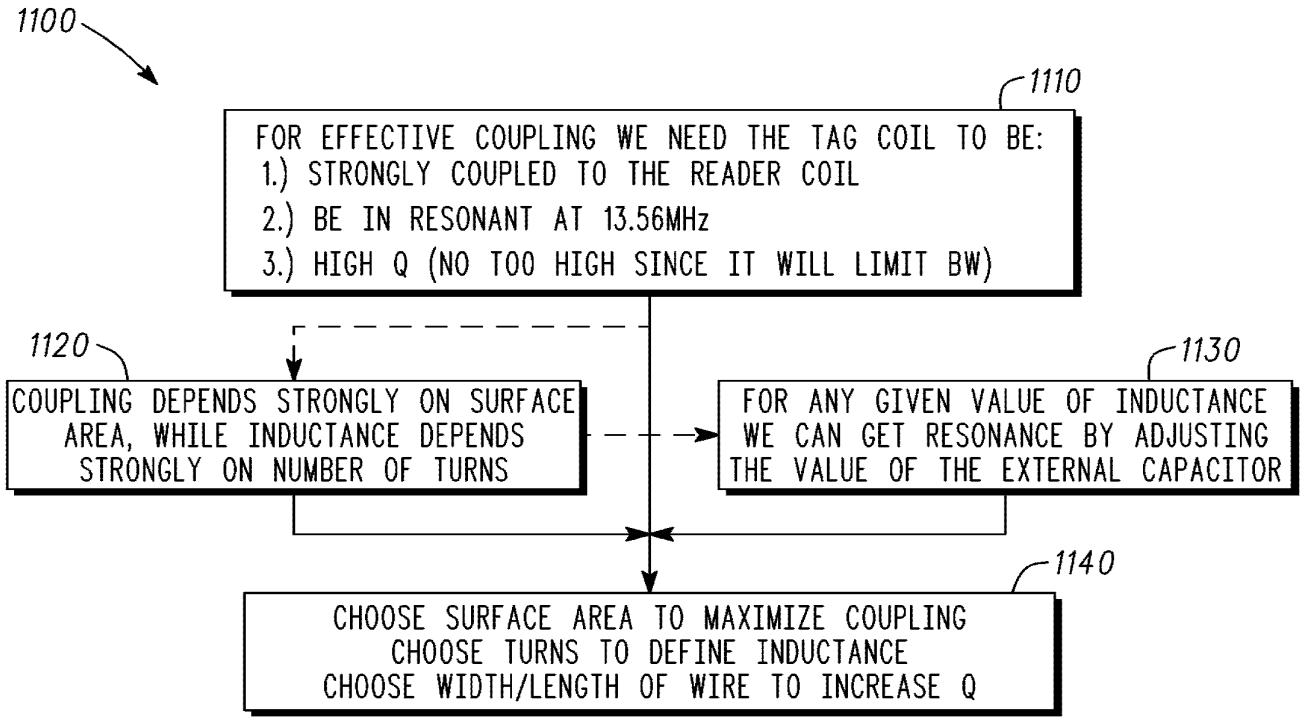


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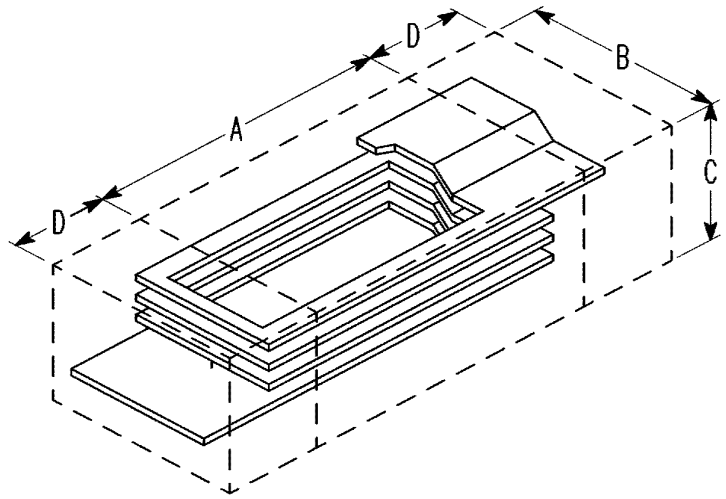


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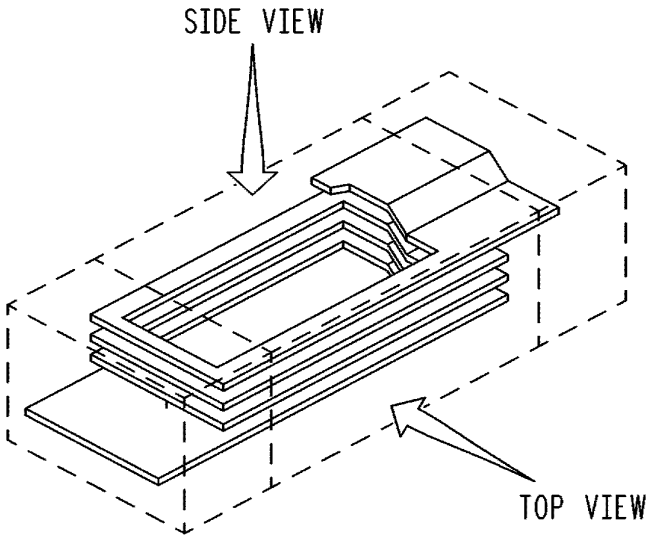


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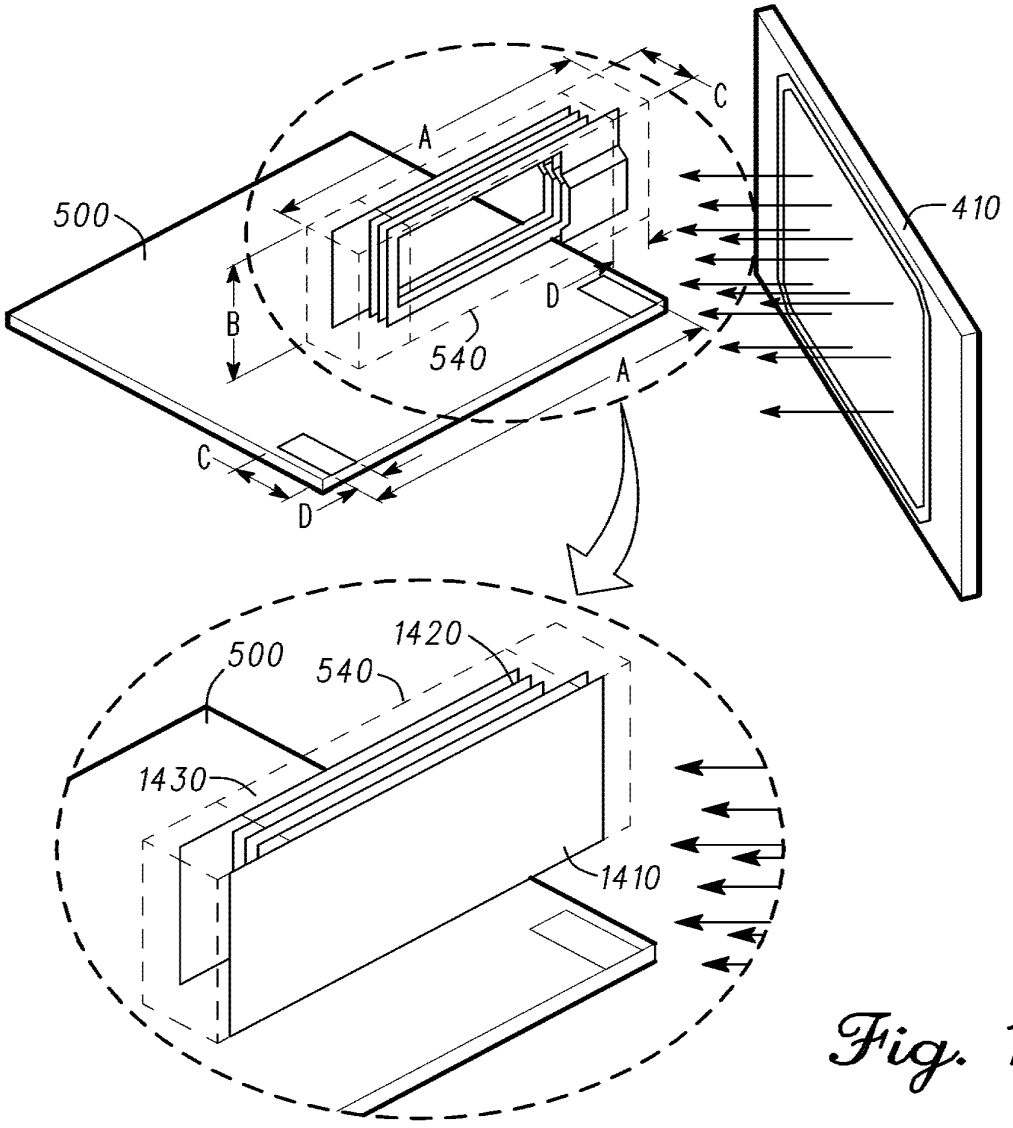


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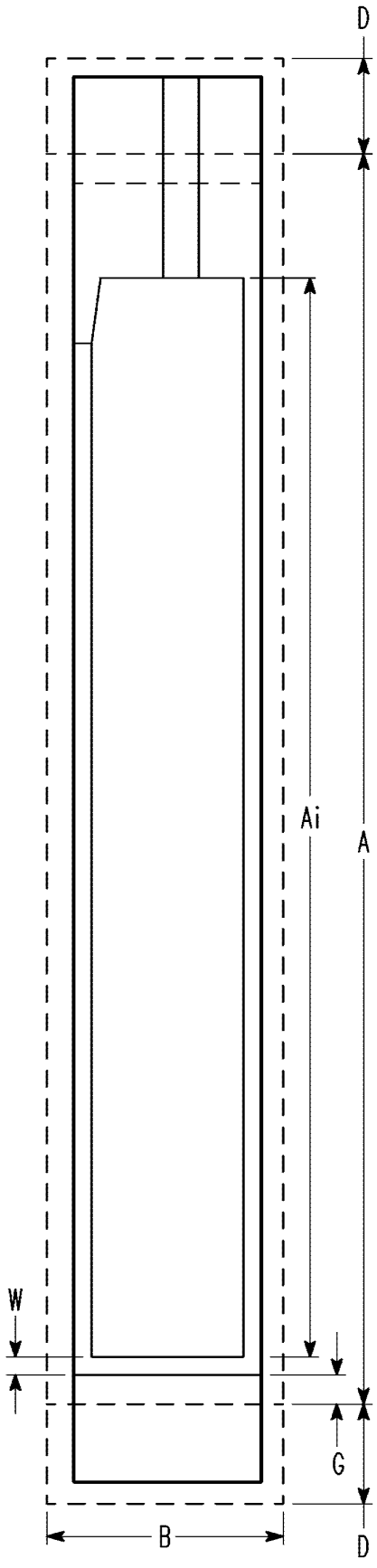


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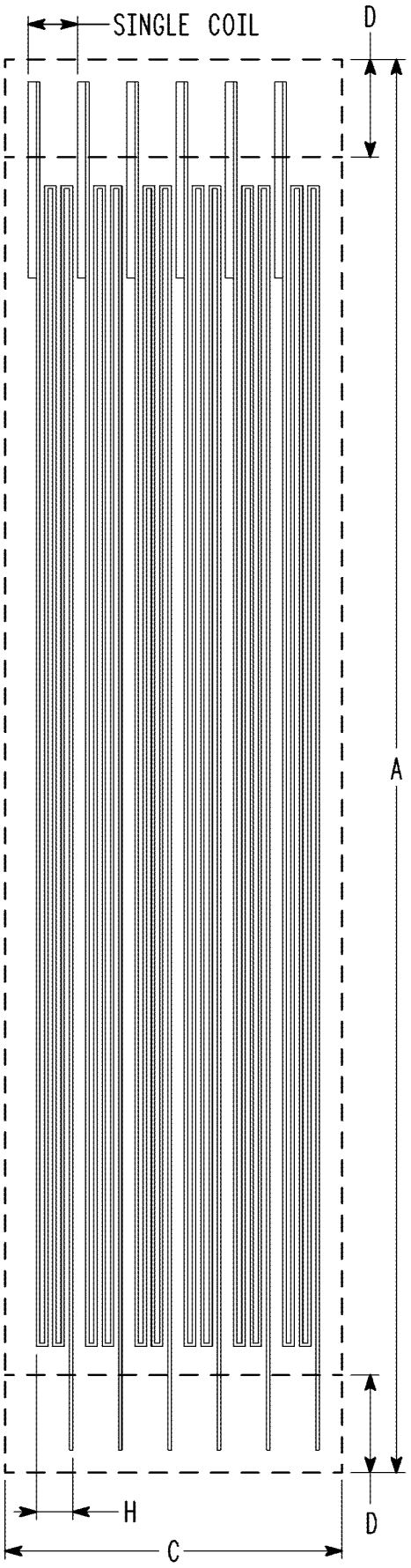


Fig. 15B

Fig. 16

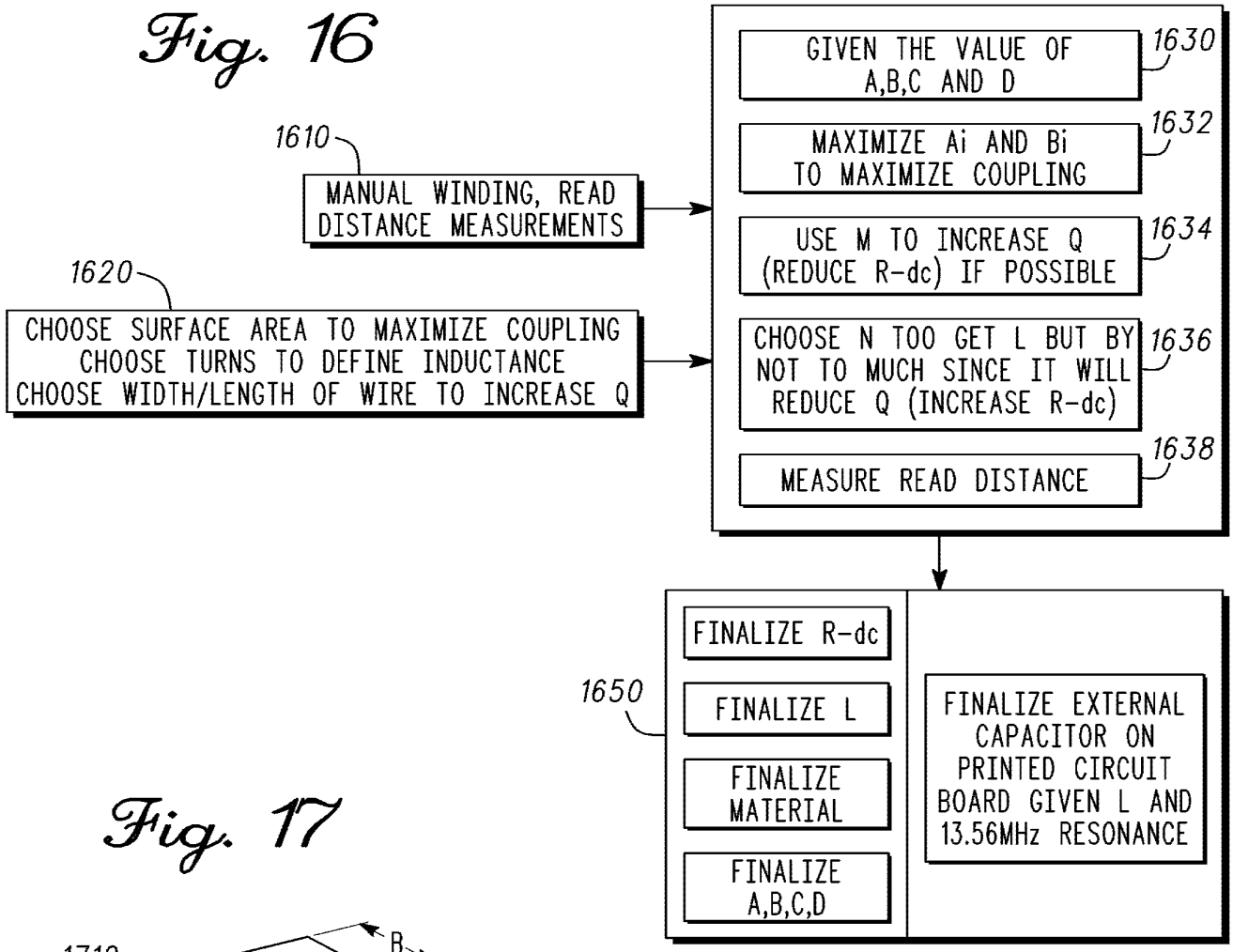
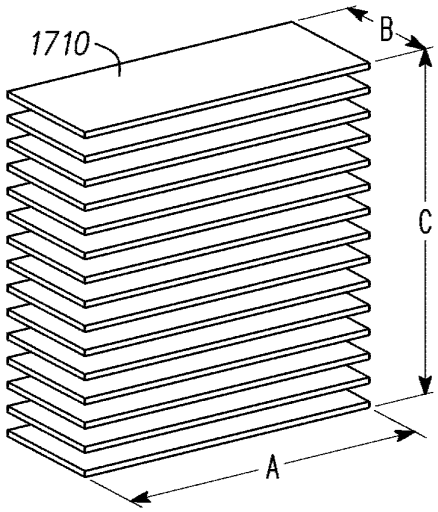


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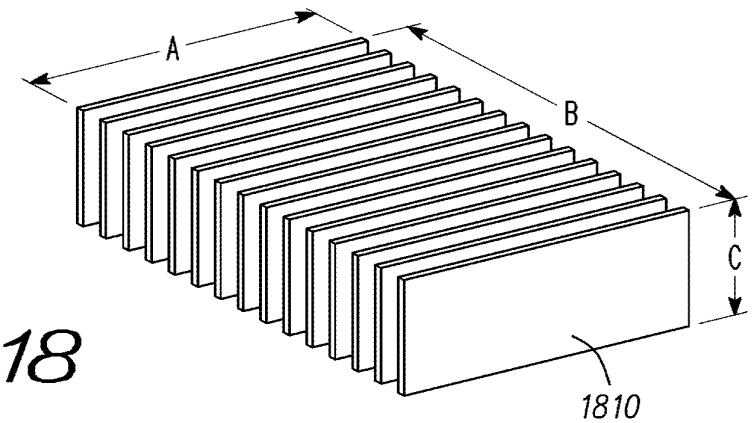


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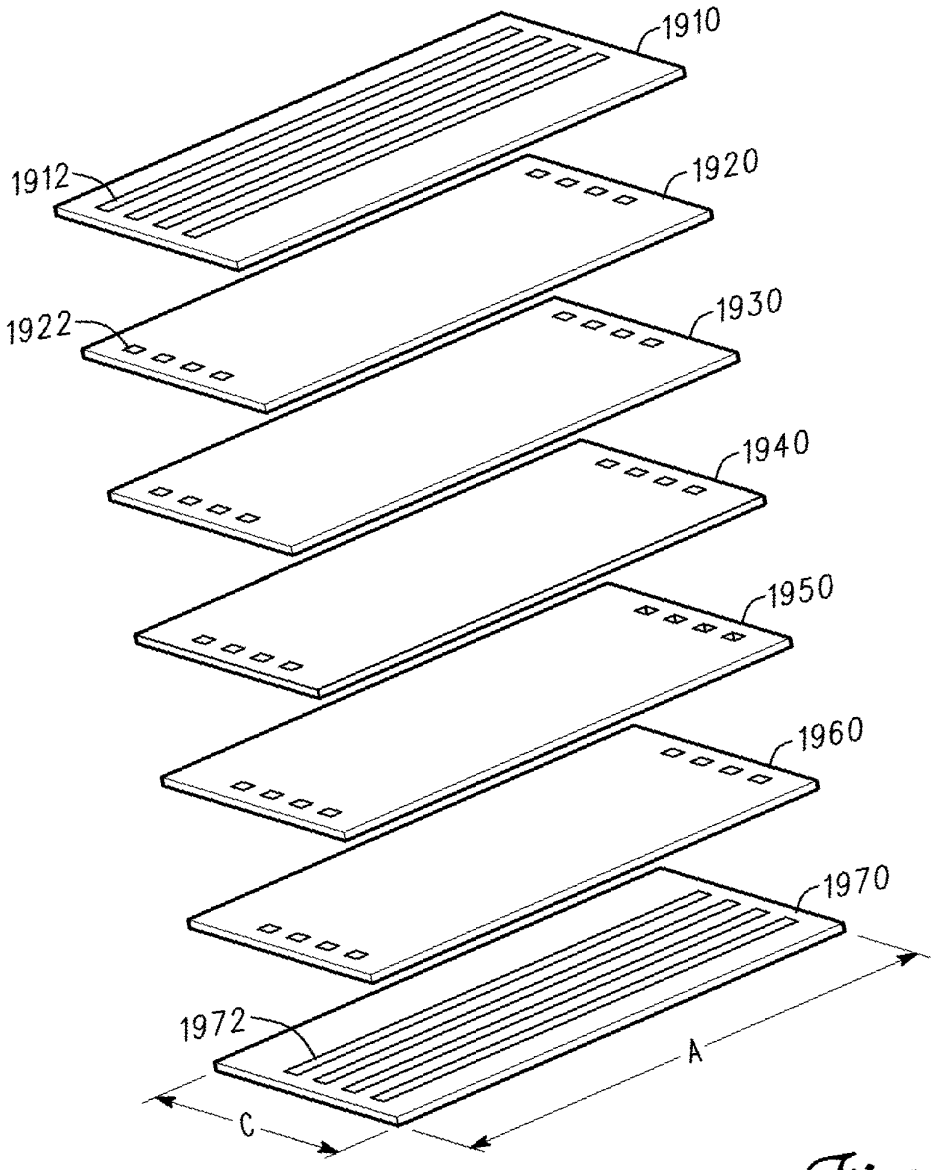


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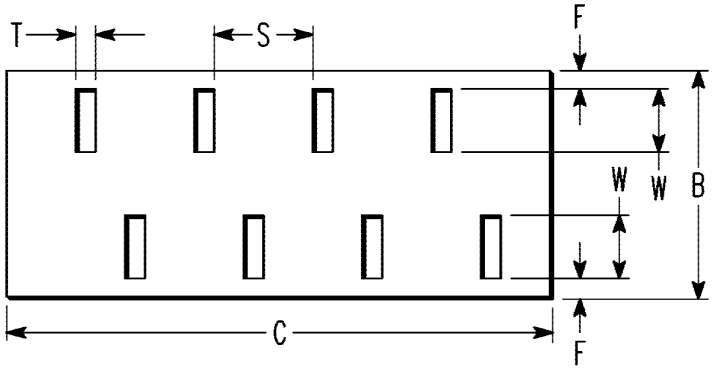


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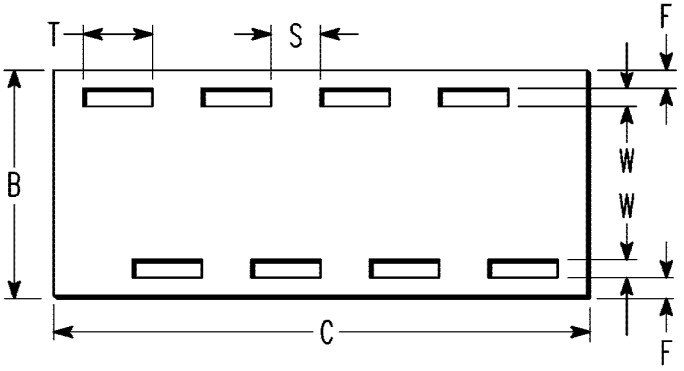


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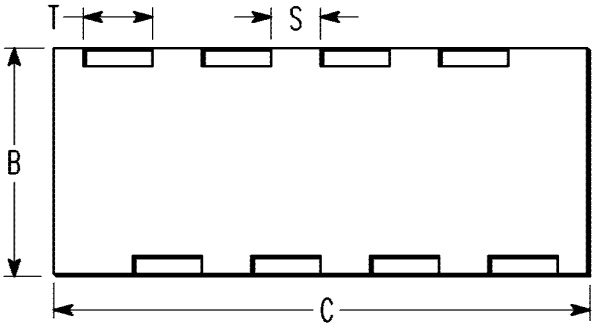


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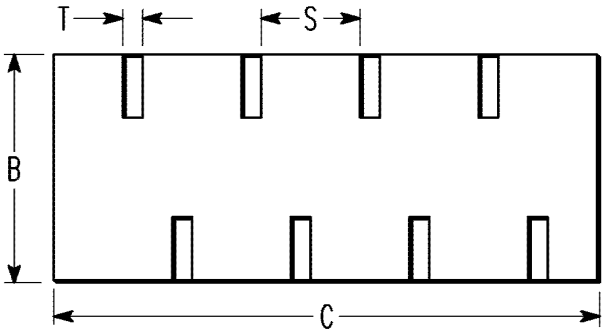


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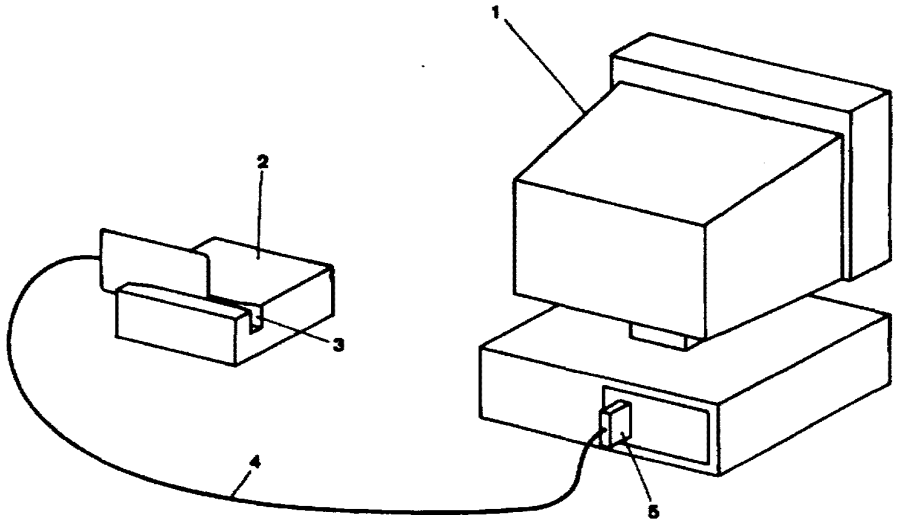
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A magnetic stripe card simulation means or "test card" comprises a planar substrate component of a similar size to a magnetic stripe card and one or more small electrical coils carried by the test card such that the coil will be positioned adjacent 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,

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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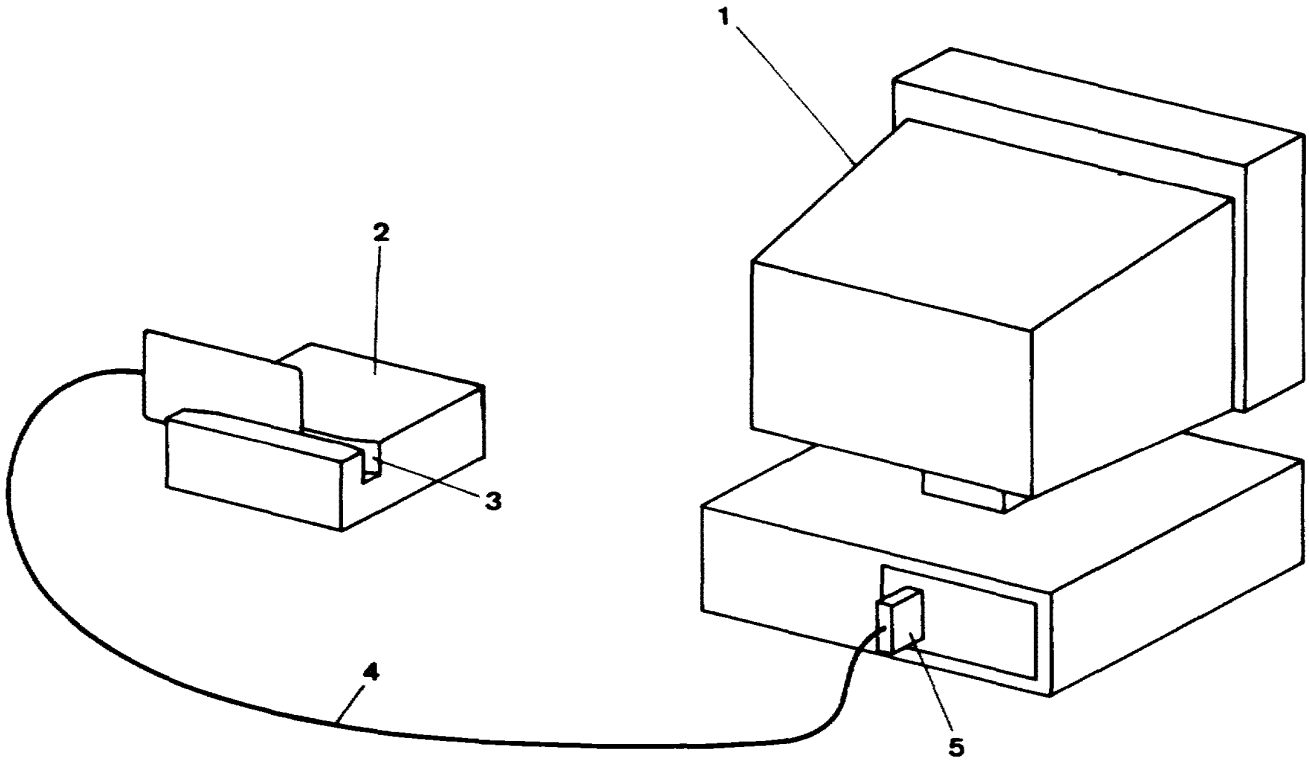


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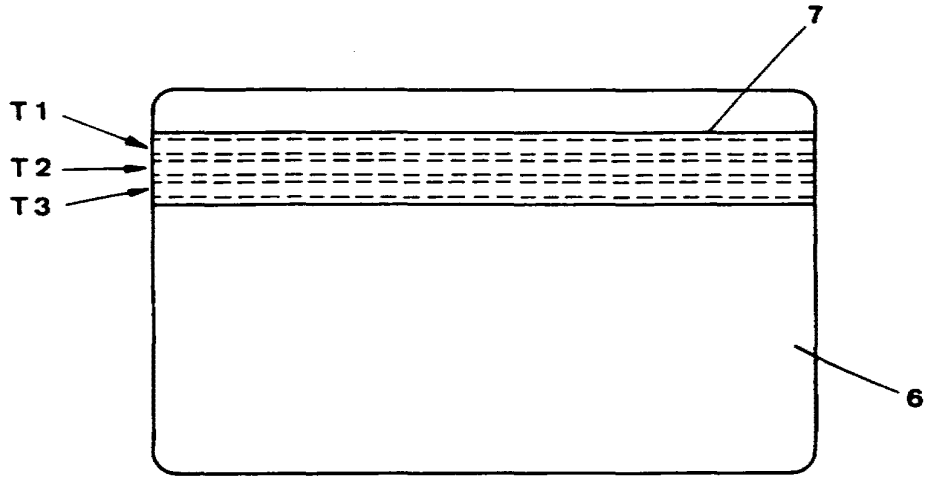


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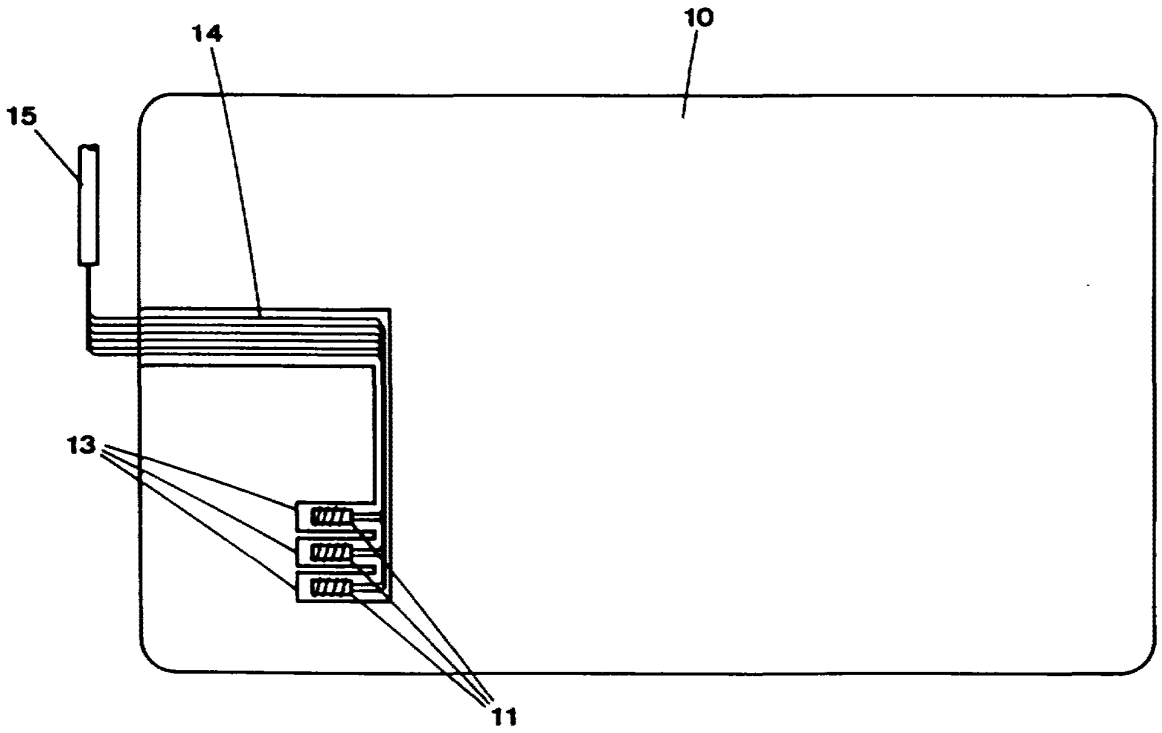


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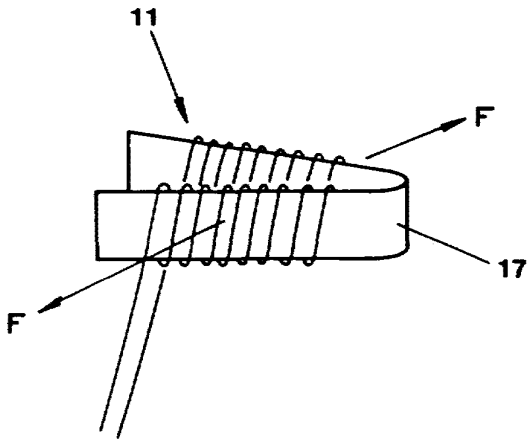


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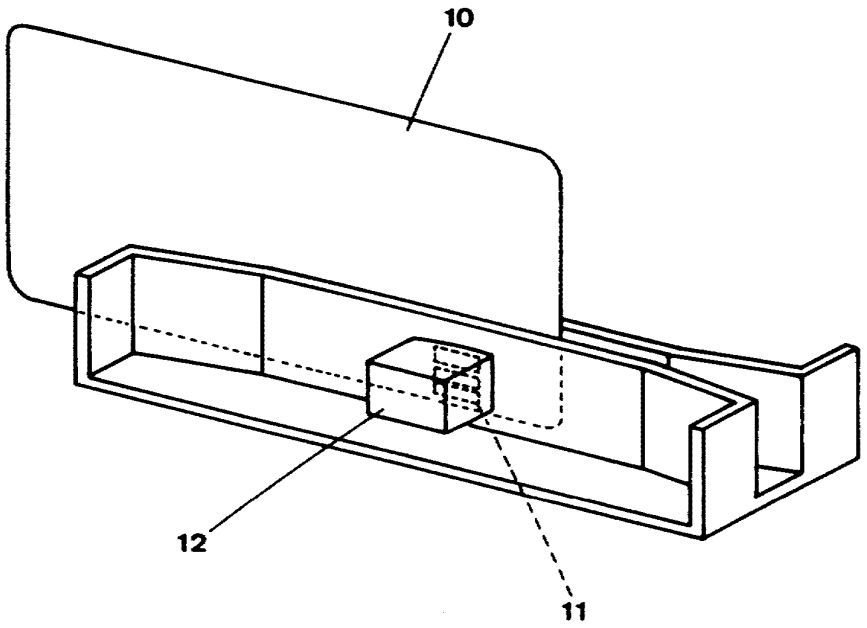


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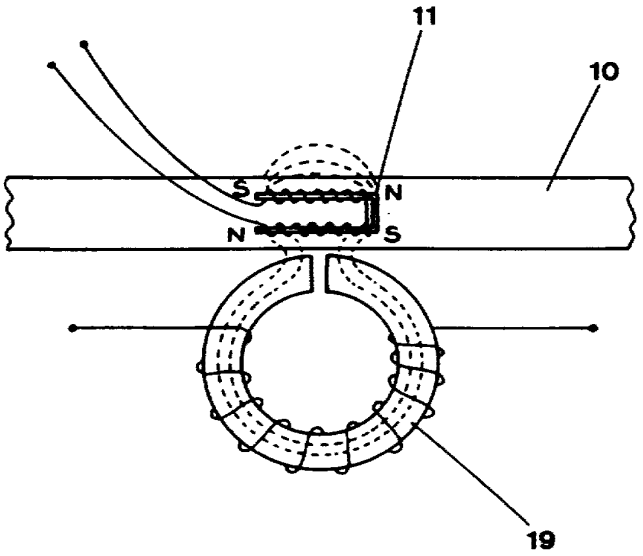


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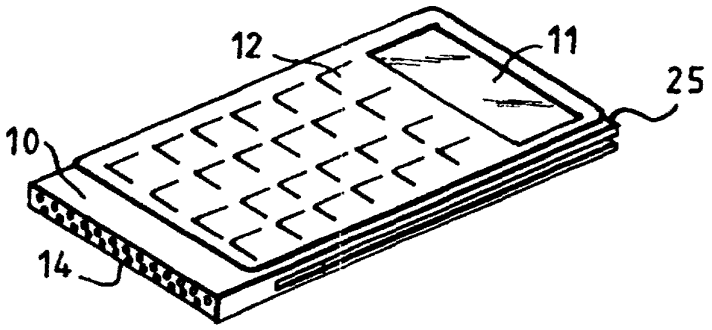
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A pocket value terminal comprises a pocketable case (10), a display (11) and a keyboard (12). The case is designed to receive and electrically connect with contact chip cards to carry out various transactions. The case has a multi-pin connector (14) 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.

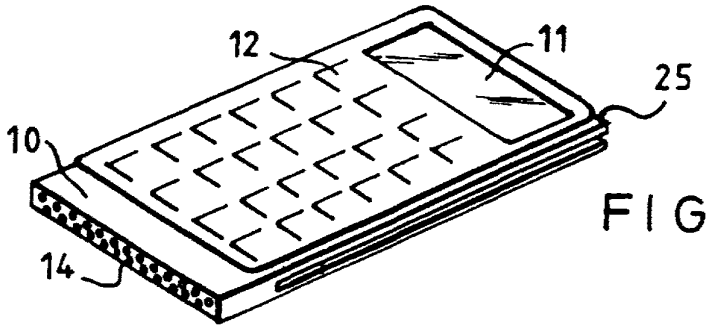


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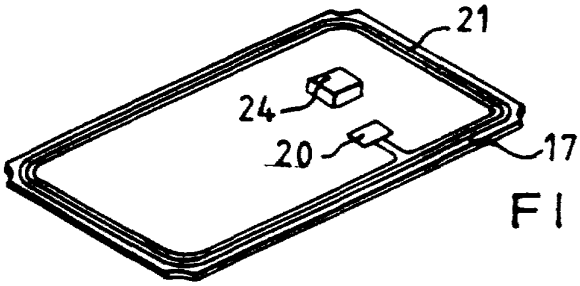


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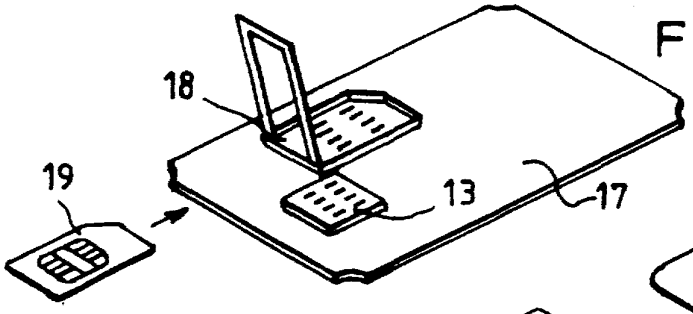


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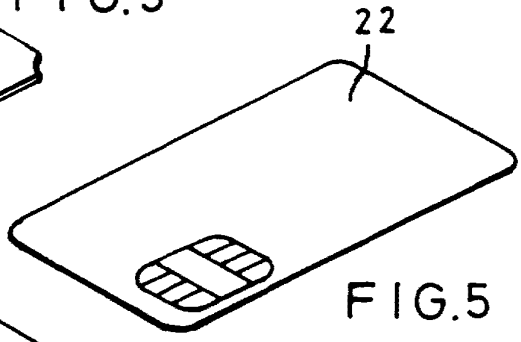


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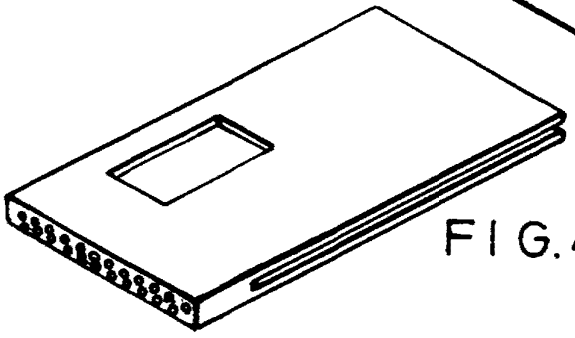


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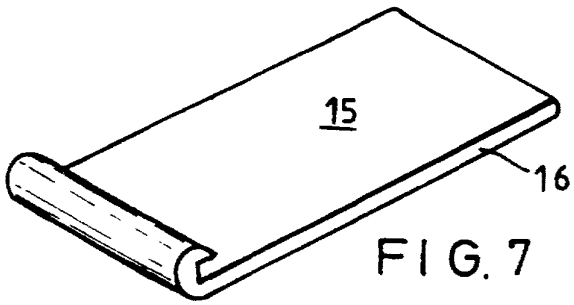


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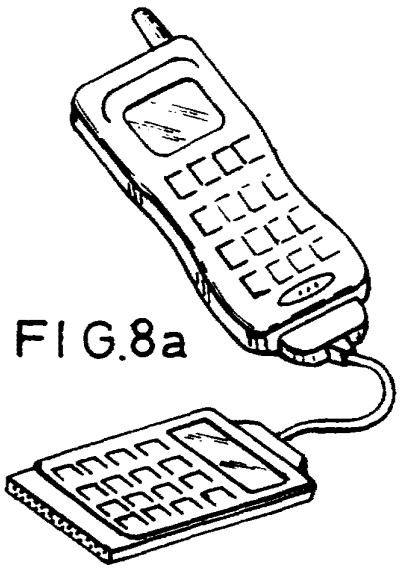


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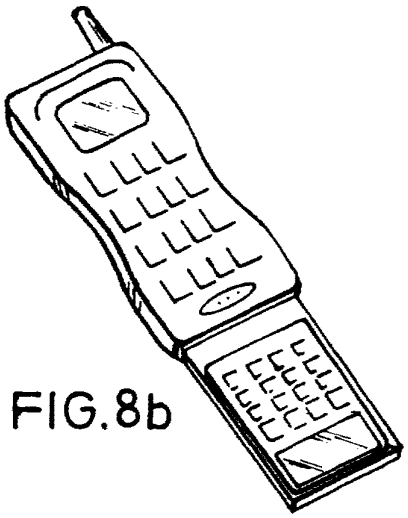


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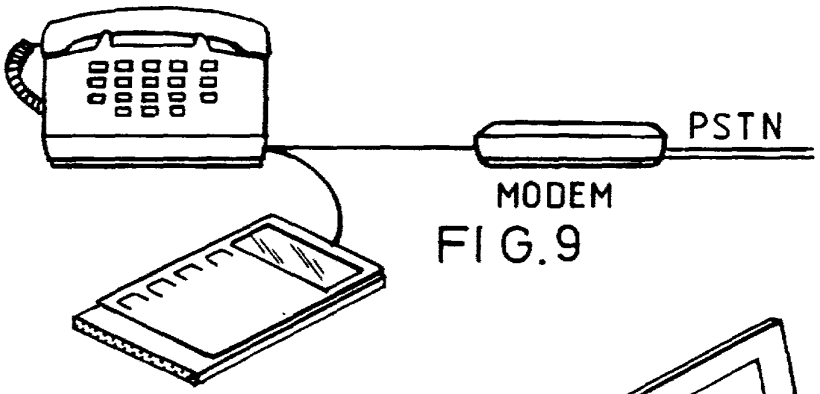


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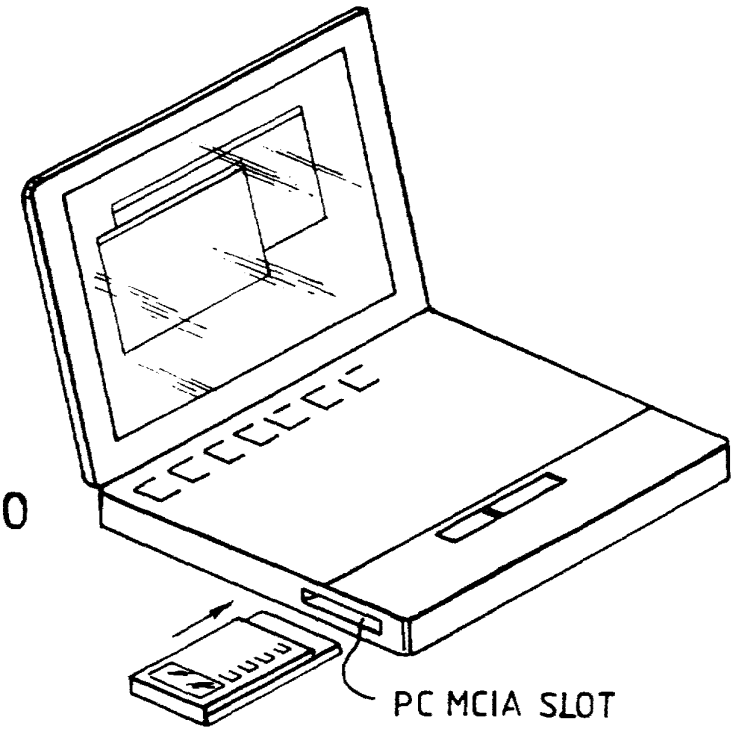


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[X] Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

[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

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No
PCT/US2006/027847

C(Continuation). DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	WO 2004/095169 A2 (OSTERWEIL JOSEF [US]; SHADMON MOSHE [US]) 4 November 2004 (2004-11-04) abstract paragraph [0042] - paragraph [0056] figures	1-12

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:

3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

see additional sheet

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.

2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

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Remark on Protest

☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.

☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

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.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International application No
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Patent document cited in search report	Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
WO 2005027030 A	24-03-2005	NONE	
WO 9626500 A	29-08-1996	AU 4498296 A	11-09-1996
US 6039260 A	21-03-2000	NONE	
WO 2004095169 A2	04-11-2004	NONE	

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)
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
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.

   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:

☒	Box No. I	Basis of the report
☒	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

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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International application No.	International filing date *(day/month/year)*	Priority date *(day/month/year)*
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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC
G07F19/00, G07F7/10

Applicant
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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
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- ☒ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ 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
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☒ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will usually be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA"). However, this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notifed the International Bureau under Rule 66.1*bis*(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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

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, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

   ☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

   a. type of material:

   ☐ a sequence listing

   ☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing

   b. format of material:

   ☐ in written format

   ☐ in computer readable form

   c. time of filing/furnishing:

   ☐ contained in the international application as filed.

   ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.

   ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.

3. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

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

   see separate sheet

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*)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115.003WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2005/022993	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 03 June 2005 (03.06.2005)	Priority date *(day/month/year)* 03 June 2004 (03.06.2004)
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
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 6 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:

☒	Box No. I	Basis of the report
☐	Box No. II	Priority
☐	Box No. III	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
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International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC
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Applicant
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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
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ 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
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2. **FURTHER ACTION**

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Box No. I Basis of the 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, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

   ☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

   a. type of material:

   ☐ a sequence listing

   ☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing

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3. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

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

see separate sheet

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

Re Item V

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

1 Reference is made to the following documents:
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).

Re Item VII

Certain defects in the international application

Apparatus claims 1, 8 and 15 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.

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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 115.001WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2006/006361	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 21 February 2006 (21.02.2006)	Priority date *(day/month/year)* 22 February 2005 (22.02.2005)
International Patent Classification (8th edition unless older edition indicated) See relevant information in Form PCT/ISA/237		
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 8 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:

☒	Box No. I	Basis of the report
☐	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

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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   a. type of material:

      ☐ a sequence listing

      ☐ table(s) related to the sequence listing

   b. format of material:

      ☐ on paper

      ☐ in electronic form

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4. Additional comments:

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	1-8,11-14,18-20
	No:	Claims	9,10,15-17
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims	
	No:	Claims	1-20
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-20
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

Re Item V

Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Documents

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: GB-A-2 316 908 (JOHN COWLING) 11 March 1998 (1998-03-11)
D2: US 2004/087339 A1 (GOLDTHWAITE SCOTT ET AL) 6 May 2004 (2004-05-06)
D3: US-B1-6 721 196 (GRASSL THOMAS) 13 April 2004 (2004-04-13)
D4: WO 96/26500 A (PEEK, GARRY) 29 August 1996 (1996-08-29)

2. Article 6 PCT

The subject-matter of claim 1 defines a memory card in part through its compatibility with a memory card slot in a mobile phone. However, the memory card slot in the mobile phone is not defined by any technical feature. Therefore, this feature of the memory card is unclear. For the purposes of the search, this feature has therefore been considered as being a standard card wherein the mobile phone has a standard card interface.

3. Article 33(2) PCT

3.1 Independent Claim 9

The subject-matter of independent claim 9 is not new for the following reasons.

The document D4 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

An apparatus (figure 1) comprising:

means for communicating through a memory card slot in an electronic device (standard magcard reader in combination with a personal computer; figure 5; page

7, lines 4-24);
means for producing at least one time-varying magnetic field to represent financial transaction data (page 7, lines 11-14; page 6, lines 7-16); and
means for storing the financial transaction data (personal computer; page 7 last paragraph).

3.2 Independent Claim 15

The subject-matter of independent claim 15 is not new for the following reasons.

The document D4 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

An electronic transaction card comprising:

a memory card slot transaction interface (magnetic stripe; figures 3 and 5; page 7, lines 4-17); and
circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader (figure 5; page 7, lines 4-17).

3.3 Dependent Claim 10

The subject-matter of dependent claim 10 is not new since personal computers may at any time comprise software to be installed upon them.

3.4 Dependent Claims 16-17

The subject-matter of dependent claims 16-17 is not new over D4. See D4, page 7, line 4 - page 10, line 18.

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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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:
      [X] 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. [ ] 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)
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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

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Date of the actual completion of the international search	Date of mailing of the international search report
11 September 2006	22/09/2006

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

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		AU 5683500 A	31-01-2001
		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
		JP 2003503834 T	28-01-2003
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	No:	Claims	1-20
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes:	Claims	1-20
	No:	Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

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Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: GB-A-2 316 908 (JOHN COWLING) 11 March 1998 (1998-03-11)
D2: US 2004/087339 A1 (GOLDTHWAITE SCOTT ET AL) 6 May 2004 (2004-05-06)
D3: US-B1-6 721 196 (GRASSL THOMAS) 13 April 2004 (2004-04-13)
D4: WO 96/26500 A (PEEK, GARRY) 29 August 1996 (1996-08-29)

2. Article 6 PCT

The subject-matter of claim 1 defines a memory card in part through its compatibility with a memory card slot in a mobile phone. However, the memory card slot in the mobile phone is not defined by any technical feature. Therefore, this feature of the memory card is unclear. For the purposes of the search, this feature has therefore been considered as being a standard card wherein the mobile phone has a standard card interface.

3. Article 33(2) PCT

3.1 Independent Claim 9

The subject-matter of independent claim 9 is not new for the following reasons.

The document D4 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

An apparatus (figure 1) comprising:

means for communicating through a memory card slot in an electronic device (standard magcard reader in combination with a personal computer; figure 5; page

7, lines 4-24);
means for producing at least one time-varying magnetic field to represent financial transaction data (page 7, lines 11-14; page 6, lines 7-16); and
means for storing the financial transaction data (personal computer; page 7 last paragraph).

3.2 Independent Claim 15

The subject-matter of independent claim 15 is not new for the following reasons.

The document D4 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

An electronic transaction card comprising:

a memory card slot transaction interface (magnetic stripe; figures 3 and 5; page 7, lines 4-17); and
circuitry for producing a time-varying magnetic field compatible with a magnetic card reader (figure 5; page 7, lines 4-17).

3.3 Dependent Claim 10

The subject-matter of dependent claim 10 is not new since personal computers may at any time comprise software to be installed upon them.

3.4 Dependent Claims 16-17

The subject-matter of dependent claims 16-17 is not new over D4. See D4, page 7, line 4 - page 10, line 18.

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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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

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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:

see separate sheet

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

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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

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   ☐ 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

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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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Applicant's or agent's file reference 115.019WO1	FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below

International application No.	International filing date *(day/month/year)*	Priority date *(day/month/year)*
PCT/US 08/57588	20 March 2008 (20.03.2008)	30 March 2007 (30.03.2007)

International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC
IPC(8) - G06F 12/00 (2008.04)
USPC - 711/103

Applicant TYFONE, INC.

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
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ 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
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

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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 3 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.

For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Facsimile No. 571-273-3201	31 July 2008 (31.07.2008)	Lee W. Young PCT Helpdesk: 571-272-4300 PCT OSP: 571-272-7774

Form PCT/ISA/237 (cover sheet) (April 2007)

WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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International application No.
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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. type of material

☐ a sequence listing

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5. Additional comments:

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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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Box V, 2. Citations and explanations:

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.

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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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.

   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.

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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

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

* 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 application or patent but published on or after the international filing date
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"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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USPC - 257/679

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Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Facsimile No. 571-273-3201	04 April 2010	Blaine R. Copenheaver PCT Helpdesk: 571-272-4300 PCT OSP: 571-272-7774

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      ☐ together with the international application in electronic form

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5. Additional comments:

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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).

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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).

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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.

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*

A) **Sequence-related tables cannot be filed as a separate part of the description or in text format.** They must be provided as an integral part of the international application either:
- in PDF format as part of an international application filed in electronic form via EFS-Web; or
- on paper as part of an international application filed on paper.

B) **A *sequence listing forming part of an international application*** may be provided either:
- in electronic form, as part of an international application filed in electronic form via EFS-Web, in
  - Annex C/ST.25 text format (preferred), or
  - PDF format; or
- on paper as part of an international application filed on paper.

C) **A *sequence listing not forming part of the international application* (for search under PCT Rule 13*ter*) in Annex C/ST.25 text format**
- is not required where the *sequence listing forming part of the international application* was filed in Annex C/ST.25 text format as part of an international application filed in electronic form via EFS-Web
- is required for search where the *sequence listing forming part of the international application* was filed in PDF
- is required for search on physical medium (*e.g.*, CD) where the *sequence listing forming part of the international application* was filed on paper as part of an international application filed on paper.

II. CALCULATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FILING FEE AND FEE REDUCTION UNDER AI § 707

A) **A sequence-related table** must form an integral part of the international application and will incur FULL page fees with no upper limit.

B) **A *sequence listing forming part of an international application*** filed:
- via EFS-Web in Annex C/ST.25 text format will incur NO page fees;
- on paper or in PDF format will incur FULL page fees with no upper limit.

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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Applicant's or agent's file reference 115024WO1	**FOR FURTHER ACTION**	See item 4 below
International application No. PCT/US2010/025014	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 23 February 2010 (23.02.2010)	Priority date *(day/month/year)* 24 February 2009 (24.02.2009)
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

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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(PCT Rule 43*bis*.1)

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- [x] 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
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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 66.1*bis*(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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 3 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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3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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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 sequence listing filed or furnished:

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4. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

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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

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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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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).

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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
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- [x] 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
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International application No.

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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
      ☐ in electronic form

   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.

4. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additioanl copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

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International application No.
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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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In case **the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient.**
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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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(PCT Rule 44.1)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 115026WO1	Date of mailing *(day/month/year)* 21 SEPTEMBER 2012 (21.09.2012) **FOR FURTHER ACTION** See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
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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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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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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**
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   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)).
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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,**
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   ☐ 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,
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      ☐ 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

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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

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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

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

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		JP 2011-521317 A	21.07.2011
		US 2011-0065386 A1	17.03.2011
		WO 2009-127279 A1	22.10.2009
US 2010-0069118 A1	18.03.2010	US 8086269 B2	27.12.2011

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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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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. 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

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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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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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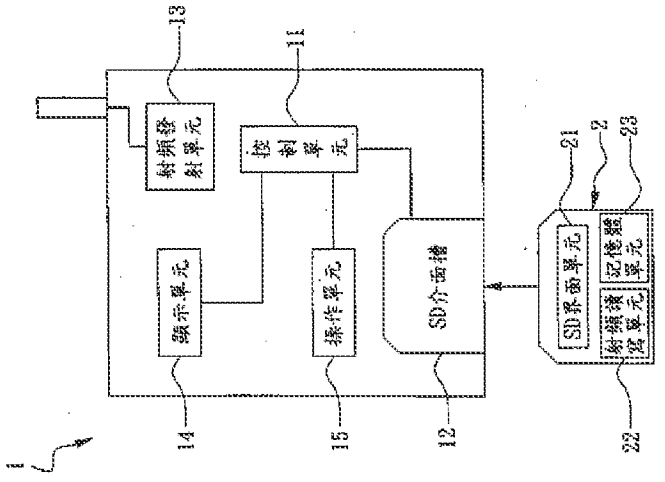
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【57】發明摘要

本發明提供一種射頻識別讀寫裝置及使用該裝置之金融交易方法，該射頻識別讀寫裝置包括：一SD介面單元、一射頻讀寫單元以及一記憶單元。該射頻讀寫單元，其係與該SD介面單元相偶接，該射頻讀寫單元可以讀取以及變更射頻識別標籤的內容；該記憶體單元，其係與該SD介面單元相偶接，該記憶體單元可以儲存資料。此外，本發明並提供使用該裝置之金融交易方法，其係將該射頻識別讀寫裝置插置於一電子終端裝置之SD介面槽內，利用該電子終端裝置可以操控該射頻識別讀寫裝置讀取以一射頻識別標籤記錄價格之商品，使射頻識別讀寫裝置讀取記錄於該射頻識別標籤內之商品價格以進行交易。



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2：射頻識別讀寫裝置
11：控制單元
12：SD介面槽
13：射頻發射單元
14：顯示單元
15：操作單元
21：SD介面單元
22：射頻讀寫單元
23：記憶體單元

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NESTED MEMORY SYSTEM WITH NEAR FIELD COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY

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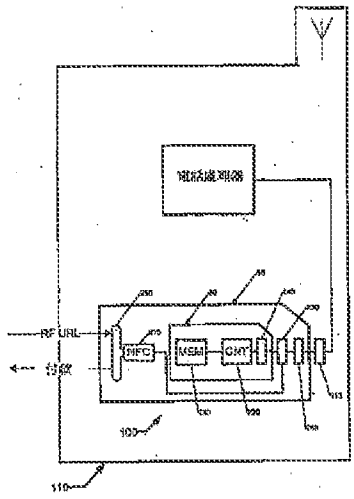
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【57】發明摘要

一大量儲存記憶卡可爲使用該大量儲存記憶卡時所結合之主機裝置添加功能性。除儲存大量使用者檔案及保護其免遭未經授權複製之外，依據本發明的一種大量儲存裝置可致動與一未具有此類功能性之可攜式電子裝置的近場通信。在一較佳具體實施例中，該大量儲存裝置具有一母／子組態，其中該子卡係一可獨立使用的全功能微SD卡。可在一SD卡插槽中接受該母卡且其經由一SD協定通信。無論該子卡是否存在於該母卡內，一其內具有該大量儲存裝置的主機均具近場通信能力。此等通信可爲點對點或可用以作爲一種電子錢包來購買商品或服務。該裝置之一控制器亦可操作以協調、控制、及保護將該等裝置與主機用作一電子錢包時所進行之財務交易。



代表圖式

50：子卡
95：母卡
100：大量儲存裝置
110：主機裝置
112：接點
220：控制器
230：記憶體
240：子卡接點
250：內部接點
260：外部接點
270：近場通信控制器（NFCC）／NFC控制器晶片
280：天線／突伸部件

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[57]申請專利範圍：

1.一種微型記憶卡結構改良，該微型記憶卡內係設有記憶裝置、一控制器、一RFID控制器及一天線，該記憶裝置係供資料存取，且與該控制器電性連接，該控制器係與該RFID控制器電性結合，而該RFID控制器再與天線電性連接；藉此，以供微型記憶卡兼具資料存取、發送訊號及修改RFID之內碼者。

2.如申請專利範圍第1項所述之微型記憶卡結構改良，其中，該微型記憶卡與RFID控制器係共用一記憶裝置者。

3.如申請專利範圍第1項所述之微型記憶卡結構改良，其中，該RFID係可有一獨立暫存記憶裝置者。

4.如申請專利範圍第1項所述之微型記憶卡結構改良，其中，該控制器係與該RFID控制器以匯流排連接，而該匯流排係為IIS標準介面。

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5.如申請專利範圍第1項所述之微型記憶卡結構改良，其中，該控制器係與該RFID控制器以匯流排連接，而該匯流排係為自定串列介面標準者。

6.一種微型記憶卡結構改良，該微型記憶卡內係設有記憶裝置、一控制器、一RFID控制器及一天線，該記憶裝置係供資料存取，且與該控制器電性連接，而該RFID控制器與天線電性連接；藉此，形成具雙功能之記憶卡者。

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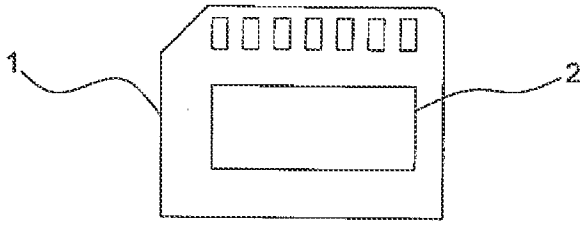
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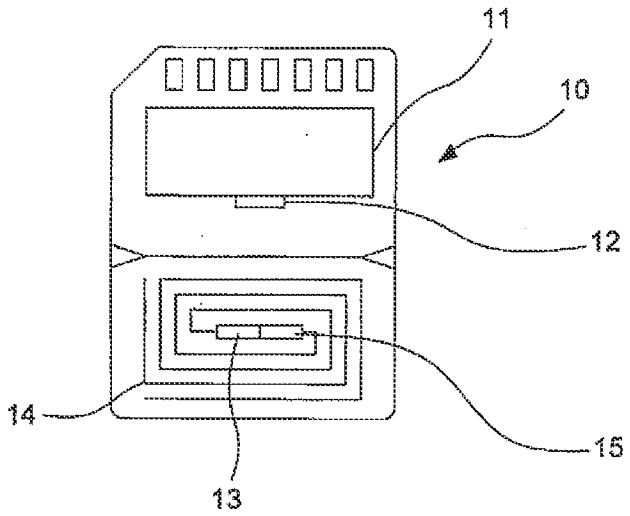
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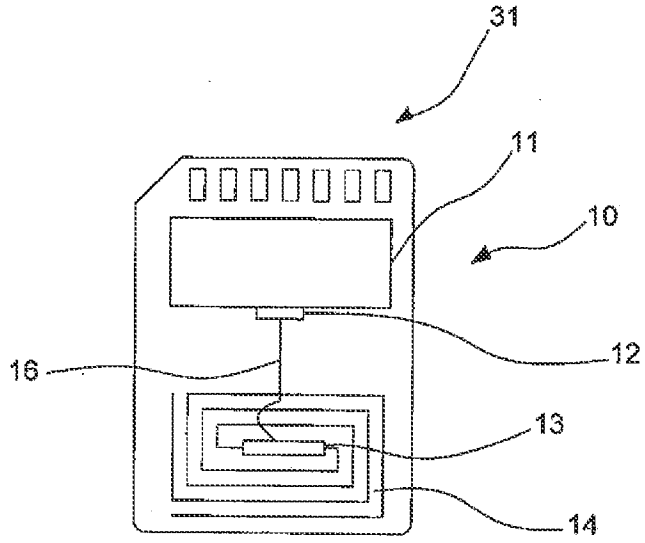


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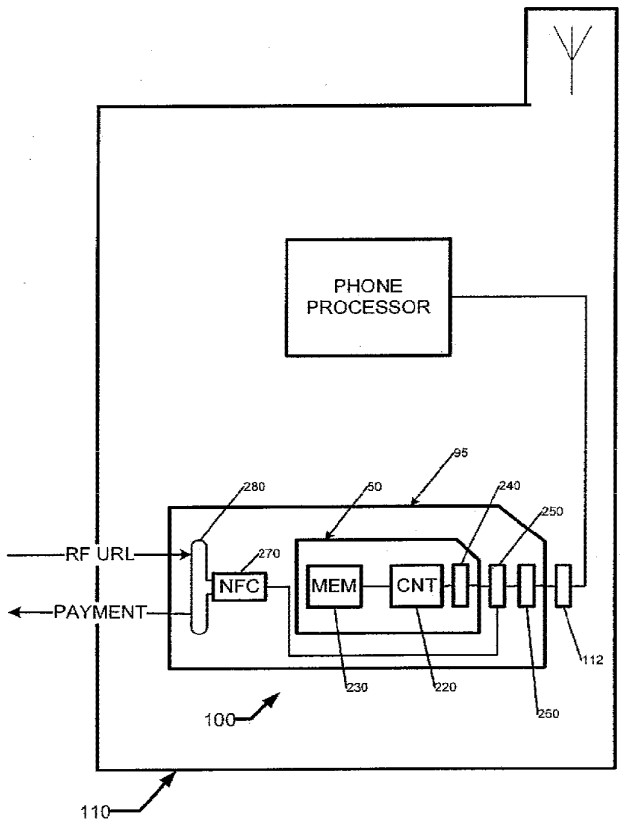
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(57) Abstract: A mass storage memory card adds functionality to host devices with which it is used. In addition to the ability to store large amounts of user files and protect them from unauthorized duplication, a mass storage device according to the present invention enables near field communications with a portable electronic device that otherwise does not have such functionality. In a preferred embodiment the mass storage device has a mother/daughter configuration wherein the daughter card is a fully functioning micro-SD card that can be used independently. The mother card can be accepted in an SD card slot and communicates via the SD protocol. Whether or not the daughter card is present in the mother card, a host with the mass storage device therein will be capable of near field communications. These communications can be peer to peer or can be used to purchase goods or services as a sort of electronic wallet. A controller of the device is also operable to coordinate, control, and safeguard the financial transactions made when using the device and host as an electronic wallet.

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NESTED MEMORY SYSTEM WITH NEAR FIELD COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

[0001] The present application is related to portable flash memory based mass storage devices, security of data and applications within such devices, and radio frequency communications.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] All documents, including but not limited to standards, papers and patents, referred to in any portion of this patent application, are incorporated by reference in their entireties, and are an intended to form integral part of the teachings of this document.

[0003] Electronic payment, and electronic commerce generally, are a great convenience to the user and the merchant alike. In addition to the electronic commerce over the Internet, payment can now be made with a radio frequency equipped card or portable device. One way of doing this is by utilizing near field communications ("NFC"). NFC allows payment by simply touching an NFC capable device to an NFC reader, or by putting the device within about ten to fifteen centimeters of the NFC reader. The close proximity requirement is necessary to avoid charging the wrong person or device.

[0004] Beyond using an NFC or "contactless" device on a contactless reader for payment of some other operation, two NFC devices can communicate with each other for any type of data transfer. The NFC technology can be also used to trigger Bluetooth connections. With two Bluetooth-enabled devices in close proximity, NFC can automatically initialize Bluetooth connectivity.

[0005] NFC technology is standardized in ISO 18092 and ISO 21481, ECMA 340, 352 and 356, and ETSI TS 102 190. NFC is also compatible with the broadly

established "contactless" smart card infrastructure based on ISO 14443 A, which includes Philips MIFARE® technology, as well as Sony's FeliCa™ card.

[0006] ISO 14443 defines a proximity card used for identification that usually uses the standard credit card form factor defined by ISO 7810 ID-1. Other form factors also are possible, and as mentioned above, NFC technology has been integrated into devices such as a mobile telephone. NFC devices or cards use an embedded microcontroller (including its own microprocessor and several types of memory) and a magnetic loop (inductive) antenna that operates at 13.56 MHz (RFID). ISO14443 consists of four parts and describes two types of cards: type A and type B. The main differences between these types concern modulation methods, coding schemes (part 2) and protocol initialization procedures (part 3). Both type A and type B cards uses the same high-level protocol (so called T=CL) described in part 4. T=CL protocol specifies data block exchange and related mechanisms.

[0007] ISO 15693 is an ISO standard for "Vicinity Cards", i.e. cards which can be read from a greater distance as compared to Proximity cards. ISO 15693 systems operate on 13.56MHz frequency, and offer maximum read distance of 1-1.5 meters. An example of this being the Radio Identification tags (RFID) used to collect toll electronically. Vicinity cards can also be used to allow access to buildings or other corporate environments. Vicinity detection systems that function according to ISO 15693 (or similar protocols) can also be built into portable devices.

[0008] A commonly employed NFC chip or controller is produced by Phillips and is believed to have part number PN531. This NFC controller has three communications paths. The first is through the antenna, and is used for communication with an NFC reader or other NFC capable device. The second is a serial interface through a UART of the NFC controller. If the NFC controller is integrated in a device, this is the path that the device uses to communicate data to and from the NFC controller and the antenna coupled to it. The third path is via a two wire/pin serial connection known as the S^2C connection or interface. Other NFC controllers and chips may have different connections and communications paths, and can also be used with the present invention, which will be described later.

[0009] Some currently available mobile telephones are capable of contactless communication. A few approaches are utilized for providing contactless communications within such telephones. In Japan, NFC (FeliCa™) functionality is provided in some mobile phones with an embedded secure controller and NFC chip, together with a permanent, dedicated NFC antenna built into the phone. This increases the cost of the phone for all consumers, including those who have no use for the NFC functionality, and is therefore an undesirable solution. Another approach is the so called "smart cover," which incorporates the NFC chip, secure controller, and battery all in a replacement battery cover. When the user wishes to add contactless communication to his phone, he can purchase a new smart cover and swap out his old cover. This however, is quite an expensive option because the battery is a very costly component that contributes significantly to the cost and price of the cover, and it also results in the waste of perfectly good batteries when the old battery is replaced with the new smart cover. Furthermore, there is not interchangeability or universality with such an approach. Another solution is a phone that has the NFC chip and antenna built into the phone, but relies on a SIM card for the secure controller. Again, this approach results in a costlier phone for all consumers including those that have no use for the NFC functionality. In yet another solution, only the NFC antenna is built into the phone, and a SIM card used with the phone has both the secure controller and NFC chip. This again requires the antenna to be built into the phone and increases the cost of the phone. Also, the NFC capability is not universal, and cannot be added to any phone, only those having a built in NFC antenna.

[0010] The approaches utilizing a SIM card have other drawbacks. A SIM card is normally owned by the mobile network operator, not the owner of the phone or a 3rd party. This makes it difficult for a 3rd party to use the SIM card to provide functionality. For example, a bank wishing to provide an application to the phone would have to establish a relationship with every mobile phone operator used by its customers in order to use the SIM card as a vehicle for the application. This is extremely onerous if not impossible. It also means that the bank would have to share customer information, which may be confidential and proprietary, with the network operator. This has obvious implications with regard to privacy and to competition. Finally, the life cycle of the SIM card and the bank application would likely be

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different, and this makes providing and updating applications difficult, which further adds to the complications in the business relations between the bank, in this example, and the various mobile phone operators. Therefore, to date, there is not a satisfactory solution for easily adding contactless communication to portable devices not already having such built in hardware and functionality.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0011] The present invention allows contactless communication to seamlessly be added to a wide variety of devices. Any device having a slot for a small mass storage type memory card can be utilized for contactless communication due to the present invention. Examples of a small mass storage type memory card are the SD card, mini-SD card, micro-SD card, MMC card, Memory Stick, Memory Stick Duo, Compact Flash card, Smart Media card, and XD card. Any device also having a USB port and can also now be utilized for contactless communication with a portable thumb drive, or alternatively, a memory card that has a USB connection such as the SanDisk Ultra® II SD™ Plus Card according to the present invention.

[0012] When the card is taken out of the host device, the user can then place it in another device, therefore enabling multiple devices to utilize contactless communication. When the communication involves electronic commerce, the user's information and accounts can therefore also travel with the user from host device to device. In a preferred embodiment incorporating a mother/daughter card configuration, the daughter card is extremely small and can be utilized directly as a mass storage device or can be used together with the mother card as a mass storage device. The very small daughter card can be used in devices incapable of accepting a larger card, such as certain mobile telephones for example, whereas when it is used with the mother card, it can be used in another variety or class of devices. When used with the mother card, contactless operations are possible in addition to the typical mass storage functionality.

[0013] This mother daughter configuration allows for maximum flexibility for use in electronic commerce and identification. For example, the daughter card can be used in a number of differently configured mother cards. The same daughter card could be

used in an SD card, a USB device, or a device specific type card. For example, a particular model of mobile phone may require a particular configuration of mother card due the geometry of the phone and placement of the mother card receptacle. In this case, the mother card may be a phone specific accessory to provide NFC or other functionality. The same may be true for any number of different host devices such as music players and digital cameras. With the mother/daughter configuration, the cost of the mother card can be reduced because the main mass storage memory is within the daughter card, and this reduces the cost of maintaining inventory of a variety mother cards. In certain embodiments, the antenna of the mother card may even telescope out from the main body of the mother card to facilitate contactless communication.

[0014] Other additional functionality such as a camera or GPS routines and maps can be provided with such a flexible mother/daughter combination.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0015] FIG. 1A is an illustration of a standard SD card.

[0016] FIG. 1B is an illustration of mass storage device 100, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

[0017] FIG. 1C is an illustration of the functionality that mass storage device ("MSD") 100 can add to a host device.

[0018] FIG. 1D is a schematic illustration of MSD 100 within a mobile or cellular telephone.

[0019] FIG. 2 is single mass storage controller, single card embodiment of MSD 100.

[0020] FIG. 3 is a schematic illustration of single card embodiment of MSD 100 having a first controller for mass storage and digital rights management and a second controller for financial transactions.

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[0021] FIG. 4A is plan view of a standard micro-SD card also known as a TransFlash™ card.

[0022] FIG. 4B is plan view a micro-SD card equipped for use as daughter card in the present invention.

[0023] FIG. 5 is a schematic illustration of a mother/daughter card embodiment of MSD 100 utilizing a single mass storage memory controller.

[0024] FIG. 6A is a schematic illustration of a mother daughter card embodiment of MSD 100 utilizing a single mass storage memory controller incorporating NFC hardware and capability.

[0025] FIG. 6B is a schematic illustration of a mother daughter card embodiment of MSD 100 having a first controller for mass storage and digital rights management and a second controller for financial transactions.

[0026] FIG. 7 is a plan view illustrating the concept of MSD 100.

[0027] FIG. 8 is an illustration of MSD 100 as used with host 110.

[0028] FIG. 9 is a plan view of MSD 100 illustrating insertion and retraction of distal member 97.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE MEMORY CARDS

[0029] In 1994, SanDisk Corporation, assignee of the present application, introduced the CompactFlash™ card (CF™ card) that is functionally compatible with the PC Card but is much smaller. The CF™ card is rectangularly shaped with dimensions of 42.8 mm. by 36.4 mm. and a thickness of 3.3 mm., and has a female pin connector along one edge. The CF™ card is widely used with cameras for the storage of still video data. A passive adapter card is available, in which the CF card fits, that then can be inserted into a PC Card slot of a host computer or other device. The controller within the CF card operates with the card's flash memory to provide an ATA interface at its connector. That is, a host with which a CF card is connected interfaces with the card as if it is a disk drive. Specifications for the CompactFlash card have been

established by the CompactFlash Association, "CF+ and CompactFlash Specification Revision 2.0," dated May 2003. An implementation of these specifications is described by SanDisk Corporation in a product manual "CompactFlash Memory Card Product Manual," revision 10.1, dated September 2003.

[0030] The SmartMedia™ card is about one-third the size of a PC Card, having dimensions of 45.0 mm. by 37.0 mm. and is very thin at only 0.76 mm. thick. Contacts are provided in a defined pattern as areas on a surface of the card. Its specifications have been defined by the Solid State Floppy Disk Card (SSFDC) Forum, which began in 1996. It contains flash memory, particularly of the NAND type. The SmartMedia™ card is intended for use with portable electronic devices, particularly cameras and audio devices, for storing large amounts of data. A memory controller is included either in the host device or in an adapter card in another format such as one according to the PC Card standard. Physical and electrical specifications for the SmartMedia™ card have been issued by the SSFDC Forum.

[0031] Another non-volatile memory card is the MultiMediaCard (MMC™). The physical and electrical specifications for the MMC™ are given in "The MultiMediaCard System Specification" that is updated and published from time-to-time by the MultiMediaCard Association (MMCA), including version 3.1, dated June 2001. MMC products having varying storage capacity are currently available from SanDisk Corporation. The MMC card is rectangularly shaped with a size similar to that of a postage stamp. The card's dimensions are 32.0 mm. by 24.0 mm. and 1.4 mm. thick, with a row of electrical contacts on a surface of the card along a narrow edge that also contains a cut-off corner. These products are described in a "MultiMediaCard Product Manual," Revision 5.2, dated March 2003, published by SanDisk Corporation. Certain aspects of the electrical operation of the MMC products are also described in United States patent no. 6,279,114 and in patent application Serial No. 09/186,064, filed November 4, 1998, both by applicants Thomas N. Toombs and M. Holtzman, and assigned to SanDisk Corporation. The physical card structure and a method of manufacturing it are described in U.S. patent no. 6,040,622, assigned to SanDisk Corporation.

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[0032] A modified version of the MMC™ card is the later Secure Digital (SD) card. The SD Card has the same rectangular size as the MMC™ card but with an increased thickness (2.1 mm.) in order to accommodate an additional memory chip when that is desired. A primary difference between these two cards is the inclusion in the SD card of security features for its use to store proprietary data such as that of music. Another difference between them is that the SD Card includes additional data contacts in order to enable faster data transfer between the card and a host. The other contacts of the SD Card are the same as those of the MMC™ card in order that sockets designed to accept the SD Card can also be made to accept the MMC™ card. A total of nine contacts are positioned along a short edge of the card that contains a cutoff corner. This is described in patent application Serial No. 09/641,023, filed by Cedar et al. on August 17, 2000, International Publication Number WO 02/15020. The electrical interface with the SD card is further made to be, for the most part, backward compatible with the MMC™ card, in order that few changes to the operation of the host need be made in order to accommodate both types of cards. Complete specifications for the SD card are available to member companies from the SD Association (SDA). A public document describing the physical and some electrical characteristics of the SD Card is available from the SDA: "Simplified Version of: Part 1 Physical Layer Specification Version 1.01," dated April 15, 2001.

[0033] More recently, a miniSD card has been specified by the SDA and is commercially available. This card is smaller than the SD card but provides much of the same functionality. It has a modified rectangular shape with dimensions of 21.5 mm. long, 20.0 mm. wide and 1.4 mm. thick. A total of eleven electrical contacts are positioned in a row on a surface of the card along one edge. The miniSD memory card is available from SanDisk Corporation and described in the "SanDisk miniSD Card Product Manual," version 1.0, April 2003.

[0034] A different type of card is the Subscriber Identity Module (SIM), the specifications of which are published by the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI). A portion of these specifications appear as GSM 11.11, a recent version being technical specification ETSI TS 100 977 V8.3.0 (2000-08), entitled "Digital Cellular Telecommunications System (Phase 2+); Specification of the Subscriber Identity Module – Mobile Equipment (SIM – ME) Interface," (GSM 11.11

Version 8.3.0 Release 1999). Two types of SIM cards are specified: ID-1 SIM and Plug-in SIM.

[0035] The ID-1 SIM card has a format and layout according to the ISO/IEC 7810 and 7816 standards of the International Organization for Standardizaton (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). The ISO/IEC 7810 standard is entitled "Identification cards – Physical characteristics," second edition, August 1995. The ISO/IEC 7816 standard has the general title of "Identification cards – Integrated Circuit(s) Cards with Contacts," and consists of parts 1-10 that carry individual dates from 1994 through 2000. Copies of these standards are available from the ISO/IEC in Geneva, Switzerland. The ID-1 SIM card is generally the size of a credit card, having dimensions of 85.60 mm. by 53.98 mm., with rounder corners, and a thickness of 0.76 mm. Such a card may have only memory or may also include a microprocessor, the latter often being referred to as a "Smart Card." One application of a Smart Card is as a debit card where an initial credit balance is decreased every time it is used to purchase a product or a service.

[0036] The Plug-in SIM is a very small card, smaller than the MMC™ and SD cards. The GSM 11.11 specification referenced above calls for this card to be a rectangle 25 mm. by 15 mm., with one corner cut off for orientation, and with the same thickness as the ID-1 SIM card. A primary use of the Plug-in SIM card is in mobile telephones and other devices for security against the theft and/or unauthorized use of the devices, in which case the card stores a security code personal to the device's owner or user. In both types of SIM cards, eight electrical contacts (but with as few as five being used) are specified in the ISO/IEC 7816 standard to be arranged on a surface of the card for contact by a host receptacle.

[0037] Sony Corporation has developed and commercialized a non-volatile memory card, sold as the Memory Stick™, that has yet another set of specifications. Its shape is that of an elongated rectangle having 10 electrical contacts in a row and individually recessed into a surface adjacent one of its short sides that also contains a cut out corner for orientation. The card's size is 50.0 mm. long by 21.5 mm. wide by 2.8 mm. thick.

[0038] A more recent Memory Stick Duo card is smaller, having dimensions of 31.0 mm. long by 20.0 mm. wide by 1.6 mm. thick. Ten contacts are provided in a common recess in a surface and along a short side of the card, which also contains an orienting notch. This smaller card is often used by insertion into a passive adapter having the shape of a Memory Stick card.

[0039] SanDisk Corporation has introduced an even smaller transportable non-volatile micro-SD card also known as the TransFlash memory module, in a modified rectangular shape, having dimensions of 15.0 mm. long by 11.0 mm. wide by 1.0 mm. thick. Eight electrical contact pads are provided in a row on a surface adjacent a short edge of the card. This card is useful for a variety of applications, particularly with portable devices, and is being incorporated into multimedia camera cell telephones.

[0040] As is apparent from the foregoing summary of the primary electronic card standards, there are many differences in their physical characteristics including size and shape, in the number, arrangement and structure of electrical contacts and in the electrical interface with a host system through those contacts when the card is connected with a host. Electronic devices that use electronic cards are usually made to work with only one type of card. Adaptors, both active and passive types, have been provided or proposed to allow some degree of interchangeability of electronic cards among such host devices. U.S. patent no. 6,266,724 of Harari et al. describes use of combinations of mother and daughter memory cards.

[0041] Small, hand-held re-programmable non-volatile memories have also been made to interface with a computer or other type of host through a Universal Serial Bus (USB) connector. These are especially convenient for users who have one or more USB connectors available on the front of their personal computers, particularly if a receptacle slot for one of the above identified memory cards is not present. Such devices are also very useful for transferring data between various host systems that have USB receptacles, including portable devices. Mechanical and electrical details of the USB interface are provided by the "Universal Serial Bus Specification," revision 2.0, dated April 27, 2000. There are several USB flash drive products commercially available from SanDisk Corporation under its trademark

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Cruzer. USB flash drives are typically larger and shaped differently than the memory cards described above.

[0042] Some of the devices described above are mass storage devices, and some are not. In particular, the SIM and smart cards are *not* mass storage cards because they not capable of storing any substantial amount of data. They do not have the memory capacity, and more importantly they were never meant to store more than a small amount of data relating to a user's identification and transactions. It is not just an issue of memory capacity. The controllers in the SIM cards are not equipped to frequently read and write the relatively massive amounts of data, for instance, of a digital photo or song. Nor do they typically have the digital rights management routines that limit the access to copyrighted or otherwise limited access content to only authorized users.

USE OF THE CARDS AND OTHER MASS STORAGE DEVICES

[0043] The micro-SD card is extremely small. For reference, the micro-SD card has a footprint much smaller than a U.S. ten cent coin, also known as a dime. In fact, it can be placed upon a dime with room to spare. It is already available with hundreds of times the capacity of floppy disks, and is therefore a very convenient way to store and transport volumes of data. The micro-SD card will be especially useful in portable or handheld mobile devices such as telephones, music players, cameras, digital organizers or all in one devices that combine some or all of the functions into one device.

[0044] Referring to Figure 1A, a standard mass storage memory card 11, in this case the SD card, is shown. Although any of the mass storage memory cards, as well as the portable USB flash drives can be used in the present invention, the use of the SD card and/or card bus is preferred and will be described in detail. According to the SD Memory Card Specifications, nine electrical contacts 15 – 23 are provided on bottom surfaces of recesses 25 – 32 in the plastic housing of the card 11, the two contacts 22 and 23 being placed in the one recess 32. The card is 24 mm. by 32 mm. in size with a thickness 35 of 2.1 mm. This card is backwards compatible with the MMC card and will fill into any device accepting an MMC card. Many different portable devices currently accept the SD and MMC cards and have the associated SD card slot. Long

popular as the card of choice for PDA's, the SD card is also now utilized by a wide array of digital cameras and music players, because of the copyright management ("CPRM") integrated into the cards. Because of the small size of the card, they are also frequently used in many types of mobile telephones.

[0045] With the present invention, these cards will add functionality, above and beyond the mass storage ability present in a standard SD card, to devices that otherwise lack the functionality. As discussed in the background, this is advantageous to manufacturers and consumers alike, because it allows the user to tailor the functionality of his device to his own needs and tastes, rather than integrating some predetermined functionality that not every user wants or needs into the device. This keeps the cost of the basic device down, and provides a greater level of flexibility over time.

[0046] As seen in FIG. 1B, mass storage device ("MSD") 100 will be used with host device 110. Device 100 will have the form factor of a memory card (or USB device, as mentioned previously), preferably, an SD card like SD card 11. While this is generally true, the form factor can deviate from the standard version of the memory card, so long as the card will fit into its intended receptacle and still communicate using the associated card standard or protocol. More specifically, some portion of device 100 may extend out of the slot of host 110, although the device will still be physically and logically compatible with the slot and the host. Host 110 can be any electronic device with a slot or receptacle for accepting device 100, many examples of which were previously described.

[0047] Device 100 can add any range of functionality to the host 110. While preferably, device 100 comprises a card within a card structure, embodiments utilizing only a single card (or body in the case of a USB "thumb" drive) are also encompassed by the present invention. For purposes of this application, the larger of the cards will be referred to as the mother card, and the smaller of the cards will be referred to as the daughter card. As seen in FIG. 1B, daughter card 50 fits within mother card 95. The functionality and hardware of device 100 will be distributed differently between daughter card 50 and mother card 95 depending on the end use of device 100, and some examples of the distribution and connectivity will be described

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later. Mother card 95, may also be referred to as an adapter, but unlike other currently available adapters, it is preferably not simply an adapter for making a small card fit into a larger card receptacle, but contributes to the overall functionality added by device 100.

[0048] FIG. 1C illustrates some examples of the functionality that device 100 can add to host device 110. MSD 100 can add near field communications (proximity and/or vicinity) technology to any host 110. This means that, for example, a user could use his mobile telephone to pay for any item he wants, by touching or putting the phone near to a payment receiver or other "smart poster" that allows a person to pay for an advertised good or service in the poster. This will be discussed more later with regard to FIG. 1D. Another interesting use of the device would be for instantly buying a plane or train ticket and for boarding a train or plane after that. It also means, that a user, could use the same phone to enter his office building or any other location where a wallet sized access card is typically utilized. While the phone is used as an example because a person rarely goes anywhere without his phone, as mentioned previously, the host could be any electronic device with the proper slot/receptacle.

[0049] GPS functionality and the maps associated with the GPS could also be added to a user's device. In such a case, all or some of the circuitry and routines necessary to enable GPS communication would be included in device 100. Of course, coordination of the functionality with the host device 100 will typically be important in most scenarios and is achieved via communications with the processor of the host device.

[0050] Wireless local area networks ("LANs") can also be accessed with device 100. This is more commonly referred to typically as WiFi. As discussed in the background, WiFi is governed by the 802.11x guidelines at the moment. Other radio frequency ("RF") transmission can also be included, including Bluetooth etc. In many RF applications, an antenna of device 100 will be positioned so that it will extend out from host device 110 and may also translate into or out of some portion of MSD 100.

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[0051] In addition, a camera can be added to a host device via portable device 100. While it has been possible for some time now to add a camera to mobile phones and other devices, those cameras have been device specific. This is mainly true because the processor of the phone had to directly control the camera. In device 100, a controller of the device can control the camera, and interface with a wide variety of host devices 110 through a simple application programming interface ("API"). Therefore, camera adapter of device 100 could be easily interchangeable with many different types of host a user may already have. For instance, the user could swap the camera from his PDA to his phone to his laptop or his mp3 player simply by inserting and removing the device from the host.

[0052] Preferably, the hardware required to provide the added functionality is contained in mother card 95. In such a way, the daughter card, usable directly in different host devices, with all of the user files and data therein, can easily be inserted into and removed from the mother card 95 without removing all of the functionality of MSD 100. Although all the functionality can be contained in the daughter card 95 as well, or as mentioned previously in a one card (non mother-daughter) embodiment, it is currently preferred to have much of the functionality specific hardware in the mother card 95.

[0053] It is important to note that while portion 95 is often referred to as a mother card, in some (but not all) embodiments it will lack the memory controller, and rely on the memory controller in the daughter card 50 for data storage and security. In such embodiments, this is not to say that it does not have a processor or other type of controller for other purposes, .e.g. a communications or other controller. However, the most common embodiments will rely on the controller of daughter card 50 in order to cut down on the cost of mother card 95 and the overall cost of device 100. This is also advantageous because, as mentioned previously, daughter card 50 can function as a stand alone mass storage memory card that can be used directly with any number of hosts. Even in embodiments where the mother card 95 does not have a memory controller, the mother card 95 will function without the daughter card. This means that the added functionality provided by device 100 will be usable by the host device whether or not the daughter card 50 is inserted. In embodiments of device 100 where the mother card lacks mass storage functionality on its own right, this mass

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storage functionality will be the only thing lacking when the mother card is used alone.

[0054] It is envisioned that the smaller daughter card may be accepted in a range of products different than the mother card 95 and the overall device 100, although of course, some amount of overlap will almost certainly be present. For instance, this is advantageous because while the daughter card may be accepted by certain small mobile phones, there may not be a slot for such a daughter card in a laptop computer or a digital television, for example. In such a case, the data on the daughter card can still easily be accessed by inserting the mother/daughter combination into the laptop computer or digital television.

[0055] FIG. 1D illustrates device 100 in one possible environment, that of a mobile telephone type of host 110. The present invention is especially useful in such an environment and will be described in such an environment from this point forward, although it should be well understood that this is only one of many possible hosts and environments.

[0056] A user of a mobile phone typically carries his phone more than any other electronic device at his disposal. This makes for a convenient platform in which to add functionality. One especially useful function to add to the phone is RF communications, especially near field communications, as described in the background. A host 110 capable of near field communications (via mass storage device 100) can communicate directly with another NFC enabled device. This could be a reader or another device in what is known as peer to peer communication. This happens through antenna 280 in MSD 100. It does not happen via the built in antenna of the telephone. This is because an NFC capable antenna is of a different design than the long range antenna in the telephone. Generally speaking, an NFC antenna is not capable of transmitting the long range signals needed to communicate with cellular telephone transmitters, and conversely, the long range antenna of the phone is not suitable for NFC communication, although there may be some exceptions. Although some design comprises might be made to use one single dual purpose antenna, at present it is believed that one dual purpose antenna would perform poorly at either task. Furthermore, it is undesirable for MSD 100 to use the

antenna of the phone for NFC because of the variances (parasitic characteristics etc.) in the antenna from phone to phone. This is all to say that the NFC capability is provided by MSD 100 and relies on the antenna 280 of the MSD.

[0057] One interesting application for NFC communication is payment. With MSD 100 inserted into a phone, one could use the phone to pay for any range of goods and services, via the MSD. In order to do so, the user would place his phone within the NFC range, which is about 10-15 centimeters, although typically the user may actually touch the phone to an NFC enabled device. Any kind of cash register, or electronic device for that matter, could be NFC equipped. As an example, a type of advertisement known as a "smart poster" has been developed. This smart poster would allow a person with an NFC equipped phone to pay for whatever is advertised on the face of the poster by putting his phone within NFC range of the poster. In such a case, a radio frequency universal resource locator ("RF URL") is transmitted from the poster to the antenna 280 of MSD 100. Once the good or service is purchased, a signal indicating payment is then transmitted from the MSD back to the poster. The payment details are kept secure within the memory 230 of MSD 100. User input may be provided through the user interface of the phone and would be coordinated with the phone processor. More specifically, a controller of MSD 100 would coordinate such transactions with the processor of the telephone. Alternatively, all of the transaction can be handled by a controller of MSD 100. In either case, the phone could be used to display details of the transaction, regardless of how the transaction was conducted.

[0058] Shown in FIG. 1D is the mother/daughter embodiment of device 100, although the one piece embodiment could be utilized. Within mother card 95 is the short range antenna 280 and NFC controller or "chip" 270. Also within mother card 95 are two sets of contacts, internal contacts 250 for communicating with daughter card 50 and external contacts 260 for communicating with host device 110. In the preferred case where the mother card has the form factor of an SD card as shown in FIG. 1A, the set of external contacts 260 would comprise contacts 15-23 as in an SD card shown. The internal set of contacts 250 are part of a receptacle within the mother card 95 for accepting and communicating with the daughter card 50, and as such will vary depending on the type of daughter card. In the preferred case, the daughter card is a type of micro-SD card and the contacts will be as shown and described later with

regard to FIG. 4B. NFC chip 270 is coupled to one or more of the internal set of contacts 250. Host device 110 has a receptacle with a group of contacts 112. When MSD 100 is inserted into host 110, host contacts 112 make electrical contact with mother card external contacts 260, which are intern coupled with some or all of mother card internal contacts 250, intern coupled to daughter card contacts 240 when the daughter card 50 is within a receptacle of mother card 95. Within daughter card 50, daughter card contacts 240 are coupled via a bus to controller 220. Controller 220 controls the read/write operations of the flash memory 230. Controller 220 includes security precautions that limit access to content in flash memory 230, and provides the security to overall MSD 100.

[0059] A larger sized but backward compatible SIM card is also currently being developed. It is envisioned that a version of the micro-SD card may be used as a daughter card in this larger sized SIM, which is also referred to as a mega or super SIM.

[0060] For purposes of this application an NFC capable device or NFC chip is capable of both vicinity and proximity range communications under ISO/IEC 14443PCD mode and ISO/IEC 15693VCD mode.

[0061] FIG. 2 illustrates a first embodiment of MSD 100. This is a single piece embodiment, rather than a mother/daughter embodiment. There are two communications paths to/from MSD 100. The first is to and from host 110 via the card contacts 260. This can be referred to as wired communication. The external card contacts 260 are connected to host device contacts 112. The second is an RF path to/from an NFC enabled device via NFC controller chip 270 and NFC antenna 280. One example of a currently available NFC chip is Phillips part No. 531 or 511. NFC controller ("NFCC") 270 has two interfaces, one for data, and one for configuration. The data interface is transceiver or "UART" 208, where data is sent to and from controller 220 via data lines 225. These communications can be of a proprietary nature or according to SDA or other protocol. The configuration interface 212 is connected to controller 220 via one ore more configuration lines 223. In the example NFC from Phillips, configuration can be accomplished with Phillips S^2C protocol which is a two wire solution. Other single wire solutions are currently

available from Axalto. Other versions of NFCC 270 may have a different configuration for communication and configuration.

[0062] As can be seen, controller 220 is at the heart of MSD 100. Controller 220 controls reading and writing of data to/from the mass storage flash memory 230, and in turn controls communication to/from MSD 100 to host device 110, and to/from a second NFC enabled device (not shown) via NFCC 270. As such, it also is responsible for the security of MSD 100.

[0063] Controller 220 is a secure controller capable of copy protection of user content such as copyrighted works as well as secure data relating to commercial ("EC") transactions. Protection of copyrighted or other content is sometimes referred to as CPRM or also one well known implementation of copy protection known as digital rights management ("DRM"). DRM when used in this application shall have the broad meaning of a scheme for limiting access to user content/files such as those that contain copyrighted or other material that is deemed worthy of copy protection. One of the security mechanisms of secure controller 220 is encryption. Data stored in mass storage memory 230 is encrypted, and data transmitted to and from MSD 100 may also be encrypted. The encryption techniques can be implemented in software or hardware, or a combination of the two. For more information on the security provided by controller 220 please refer to the following patents and patent applications, each of which is hereby incorporated by this reference it its entirety: co-pending patent application No. 11/317,862, entitled "Secure Memory Card with Life Cycle Phases" to M. Holtzman et al., Attorney Docket No. SNDK.383US3; co-pending patent application No. 11/313,536, having attorney docket number SNDK.382US4, and entitled "Control Structure for Versatile Content Control," to Fabrice Jogand-Coulomb et al; and published patent application No. 20020176575 entitled "System, method, and device for playing back recorded audio, video or other content from non-volatile memory cards, compact disks or other media" to Qawami et al.

[0064] In the case of financial transactions, in order to be accepted by the financial community as being sufficiently secure and robust, controller 220 is preferably certified or approved by a well accepted certifying body. For instance, the Smart

Card has such a controller that is certified. Controllers for smart cards are well known in the industry, and one example is referred to as an SMX controller, also from Philips. It is preferred have one single controller 220 that is certified (or otherwise well accepted) for financial transactions, as well as for DRM, as is shown in FIG. 2. If this is not the case, two separate controllers may be utilized, as will be described below.

[0065] FIG. 3 illustrates a one card, two controller embodiment of MSD 100. In such an embodiment, a first controller 220A controls the reading and writing of data to and from the flash memory and also contains the DRM functionality, but coordinates operations relating to financial transactions with a second controller 220B. This would be the implementation where, for example, controller 220A was not certified or otherwise sufficiently well accepted for financial transactions or electronic commerce whereas controller 220B was. An example of controller 220B is the Philips SMX controller, which although certified for financial transactions does not control the read/write operations of mass storage memory 230, including the copy protection management referred to herein as DRM. Communications between the two controllers 220A and 220B is over controller link 227 according to the ISO 7816 standard/protocol. This communication can alternatively be accomplished with proprietary communications or with a newly developed protocol of the SDA defined in the Mobile Commerce Extension Specification. For further information on this please refer to the micro-SD specification "SD Specifications, Part A1, Mobile Commerce Extension Specification, Version 1.00, February, 2004" available from the SD Association.

[0066] FIGS. 5, 6A, and 6B illustrate mother/daughter embodiments of MSD 100. The daughter card is preferably a mini-SD card or a micro-SD card, which is also known by its trademark name of the TransFlash™ card. Usage of a micro-SD card is shown in FIGS. 5, 6A and 6B will now be described. First, the standard micro-SD card is shown in FIG. 4A. Contacts 70-77 are used to communicate data according to the SD protocol. For further information on this please refer to documents entitled: "SD memory card specification, Part 1, physical layer specification ver.1.0;" and "SD Specifications, Part A1, Mobile Commerce Extension Specification, Version 1.00,

February, 2004" available from the SD Association. Other documents of interest may also be available from the SD Association.

[0067] The micro-SD card shown in FIG. 4A, when used as a daughter card in MSD 100, is not equipped to communicate with the NFCC. All of contacts 70-77 are utilized for communication and operation with a host device, as can be seen in the SD specification. To be used as a daughter card in an NFC enabled mother daughter combination, additional contacts have to be provided to communicate with the NFC hardware in the mother card. One example of a microSD card comprising the additional contacts for such operation is shown in FIG. 4B. Additional contacts 80 and 81 are used to communicate data to/from the UART 208 of NFCC 270. Additional contacts 90-91 are used to configure NFCC 270 via configuration interface 212 of the device. As mentioned previously, a single wire connection 223 can also be utilized to configure NFCC 270. In such a case, only one of contacts 90 or 91 would be necessary and present on daughter card 50 shown in FIG. 4B. Also, the arrangement and position of the contacts 80-81 and 90-91 may differ from that illustrated. It should be noted that the addition of contacts 80-81 and 90-91 in no way affects the compatibility of the microSD card with slots or receptacles designed to receive it. A slot or receptacle designed to work with the standard micro-SD card seen in FIG. 4A will accept daughter card 50 of FIG. 4B and utilize the standard contacts 70-77 just as it would the standard micro-SD card.

[0068] FIG. 5 shows the single controller 220 within daughter card 50. The signals used to configure NFCC 270 pass through contacts 90-91 of daughter card 50. They make a connection with contacts 250A-B of mother card 95, which are coupled to configuration interface 212 via configuration lines 223B. Data communication from the daughter card memory controller 220 to the NFCC in the mother card is through contacts 80-81 of daughter card 50. The communication lines 225 are now in two parts: 225A within the daughter card and 225B within the mother card. Communication to (contacts 112 of) host 110 from the daughter card memory controller 220 goes via the mother card SD contacts 260. Mother card contacts 260 are connected to the memory controller 220 though daughter card contacts 70-77 which are coupled to mother card internal contacts 250E-K.

[0069] FIG. 6A illustrates an embodiment of MSD 100 which is a mother/daughter combination where the NFC capability is directly integrated into controller 220. Controller 220 therefore controls DRM, EC, and NFC. In this case, contacts 80 and 81 of the daughter card that are used for RF/NFC communication are connected to antenna 280 in mother card 95 via contacts 250M and 250N of contacts 250, as there is no longer an NFC chip within mother card 95. This can also be implemented in a one piece version (not shown) rather than a mother/daughter configuration.

[0070] Finally, FIG. 6B shows a two controller mother/daughter embodiment of MSD 100. As in the embodiment shown in FIG. 3, controller 220A and 220B communicate via ISO 7816 or SDA protocol/standards. The EC controller 220B configures the NFCC 270 while mass storage memory controller 220A with DRM manages data storage and wireless and wired communications. As discussed previously, wireless near field communication takes place via NFCC 270 and antenna 280, whereas wired communications utilize the mother card contacts 260, which in the case of an SD card are SD card contacts 15-23.

[0071] Although an NFC controller 270 and antenna 280 have been described, any RF transmitter and controller can alternatively be implemented, including those for longer range wireless LAN (802.11) communication known as WiFi. The present invention is not limited to NFC range communications and the frequencies involved. Any radio frequencies can be utilized, and antennas tuned for different ranges and frequencies can be utilized. Therefore, it should be understood that the near field communications controller 270 described would also be capable of other RF communications.

[0072] Another embodiment of the invention not shown in the figures involves a mother card with a memory controller (such as controller 220) and a daughter card also having a memory controller (such as controller 220). Because each controller (220) is in charge of data storage operations in the mass storage flash memory (230 in the figures) there must be a way to coordinate the operation of both controllers when the daughter card is in the mother card. One way is for all communications with the host to be routed through the mother card controller. An application running in the mother card would then determine the nature of the incoming command type. If the

command is a storage type command it would then transmit the command and associated data to the daughter card and its controller. If the command is not a storage type command the command would be communicated to and handled by another application running in the mother card.

[0073] A second way is to route incoming communications from a host through a type of hardware based dispatcher in the card before the communication goes to the mother card controller. In this second way, the dispatcher assesses the command type and sends the command and associated data to either the mother card controller or to the daughter card and its controller.

[0074] FIG. 7 illustrates the daughter card 50 to be inserted into mother card 95. On the end of mother card 95 is a distal member 97 that would stick out of a host device when MSD 100 is inserted into the receptacle/slot of the host. This distal member 97 is where antenna 280 will be located in some embodiments of MSD 100. In other embodiments antenna 280 will be contained within the standard form factor for the given type of memory card. Putting the antenna in this distal, protruding member 280 provides for a clearer communication path with the device with which MSD 100 will be communicating, whether it is a reader or another device capable of wireless or "contactless" communication. FIG. 8 illustrates MSD 100 as it would be inserted into a PDA type of host 110, with where distal member 97 would protrude from the housing of the PDA to facilitate NFC or other RF communication using the PDA. In embodiments of MSD 100 where a camera would be provided, the camera would be contained on this distal member 97. In such an arrangement, the distal member 97 can have different geometries and sizes depending on the nature of the host. For example, an antenna suitable for GPS communication could provided on/in the distal member. GPS functionality would then be provided by an application running in the card controller and/or the host device processor.

[0075] In certain embodiments, the distal member can be inserted into the body of MSD 100 when it is not being used or if it is otherwise desirable to leave it within the body of MSD 100 for some other reason, as can be seen in FIG. 9. Different configurations of the member could be implemented to make it suitable for use with a variety of different host devices and with different mother/daughter combinations.

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IT IS CLAIMED:

1. A portable mass storage device comprising:

a mother card comprising:

a first plurality of contacts that make contact with a host device, said mother card enabling frequent insertion and removal of the portable mass storage device in a slot of the host device;

a communications controller;

an antenna coupled to the communications controller, said communications controller and antenna together operable to communicate directly with the first device, said antenna having a range of 2 meters or less;

a receptacle that receives a daughter card, said receptacle having a second plurality of contacts for communicating with a daughter card; and

a daughter card comprising:

a third plurality of contacts;

a mass storage memory;

a first controller, the first controller controlling read and write operations of the mass storage memory and the daughter card.

2. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, wherein when the daughter card is inserted into the mother card, the first controller controls the read and write operations of the portable mass storage device.

3. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, further comprising a second controller, the second controller controlling communications relating to identification and financial transactions.

4. The portable mass storage device of 1, wherein the first controller protects against unauthorized copying or altering of copy protected content stored in the mass storage memory.

5. The portable mass storage device of claim 3, wherein the first and second controller communicate with each other and coordinate read write operations of data relating to identification and financial transactions.

6. The portable mass storage device of claim 4, wherein the secure content comprises information relating to identification and financial transactions.

7. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, wherein the mother card is an SD compatible card and fits in an SD card slot.

8. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, wherein the daughter card is a micro-SD card.

9. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, wherein the daughter card is a mini-SD card.

10. The portable mass storage device of claim 1, wherein the mother card is a mini-SD card and the daughter card is a micro-SD card.

11. The portable mass storage device of claim 8, wherein the third plurality of contacts of the micro-SD card comprises a first group and a second group of contacts, the first group conforming with the SD protocol and the second group of contacts used for communication with the communications controller.

12. The portable mass storage device of claim 11, wherein 2 contacts of the second group are coupled to a transceiver of the communications controller, and are used to communicate data from the mass storage memory to the first device via the communications controller and the antenna.

13. The portable mass storage device of claim 11, wherein 2 contacts of the second group are coupled to the communications controller, and are used to configure the communications controller.

14. The portable mass storage device of claim 11, wherein the second group comprises a single contact.

15. The portable mass storage device of claim 14, wherein the single contact is used to configure the communications controller.

16. The portable mass storage device of claim 14, wherein the single contact is used to communicate data to and from the communications controller.

17. The portable mass storage device of claim 11, wherein 1 or more contacts of the second group are coupled to the communications controller, and are used to configure the communications controller and/or to communicate data from the mass storage memory and/or its controller to the first device via the communications controller and the antenna.

18. A memory card comprising:

removable means for storing mass quantities of data, said removable means having a first standardized memory card format compatible with a range of electronic devices; and

a body capable of receiving the removable means within the body, the memory card operable when said removable means is within the body and inoperable when the removable means is removed from said body,

said memory card conforming with a second standardized memory card format,

said body comprising means for short range communication.

19. The memory card of claim 18, wherein the range is within about 1.5 meters for vicinity communications.

20. The memory card of claim 18, wherein the range is within about 15 centimeters for proximity communications.

21. A portable mass storage device insertable into a slot of a mobile electronic device, the slot for accepting a first format of a mass storage memory card, the mass storage device comprising:

a functional application that adds functionality not otherwise incorporated in the mobile electronic device;

a mass storage memory card comprising:

flash memory;

a microprocessor that controls read and write operations of the flash memory and communications to and from the mass storage memory card;

a body compatible with receptacles that accept a second format of a mass storage memory card; and

an adapter that accepts the mass storage memory card, the adapter shaped so as to be compatible with the slot for accepting the first format of a mass storage memory card,

the adapter comprising an antenna and radio frequency transmission circuitry coupled to the antenna.

22. The portable mass storage device of claim 21, wherein the functional application adds global positioning functionality to the mobile electronic device.

23. The portable mass storage device of claim 22, wherein the functional application adds wireless LAN functionality to the electronic device.

24. The portable mass storage device of claim 22, wherein the functional application adds near field communications functionality to the electronic device.

25. The portable mass storage device of claim 21, wherein the functional application is stored within the flash memory of the mass storage memory card.

26. The portable mass storage device of claim 21, wherein the adapter comprises a memory, and wherein the functional application is stored within the memory of the adapter.

27. The portable mass storage device of claim 21, wherein the adapter further comprises a camera.

28. The portable mass storage device of claim 21, wherein the microprocessor of the portable mass storage device is operable to interact with a processor of the mobile electronic device and controls the storage of data in the flash memory of the mass storage memory card within the adapter and the overall portable mass storage device.

29. The portable mass storage device of claim 28, wherein when the portable mass storage device is within the slot of the mobile electronic device, the mobile electronic device is operable to read a radio frequency universal resource locator, facilitate the purchase of goods or services for a user of the portable electronic device from a provider associated with the radio frequency universal resource locator, and make payment for the goods or services.

30. A method of expanding the functionality of a portable electronic device to include near field communications, the method comprising:

providing a mass storage memory card comprising a near field communications controller and a near field communications antenna,

said near field communications controller coupled to a controller of the memory card,

said memory card removably coupled to the portable electronic device, and in communication with a processor of the electronic device.

31. A method of expanding the functionality of a portable electronic device to include near field communications, the method comprising:

providing an SD compatible card comprising a near field communications controller and a near field communications antenna,

said near field communications controller coupled to a controller of the SD compatible card,

said SD compatible card removably connectable with the portable electronic device at an SD receptacle of the electronic device, and in communication with a processor of the electronic device.

32. A method of expanding the functionality of a portable electronic device to include near field communications, the method comprising:

providing a first mass storage memory card comprising a memory controller; and

providing a module comprising a near field communications controller and an antenna, the module having the form factor of a second mass storage memory card,

the module having a recess that accepts the first mass storage memory card such that the first mass storage device fits in the recess and within the form factor of the of the second mass storage memory card,

the module and first mass storage memory card insertable in a slot of the electronic device.

33. A method of expanding the functionality of a portable electronic device to include short range communications, the method comprising:

providing a first mass storage memory card comprising a memory controller,

said memory controller comprising a radio frequency transceiver; and

providing a module comprising a short range antenna, the module having the form factor of a second mass storage memory card,

the module having a recess that accepts the first mass storage memory card such that the first mass storage device fits in the recess and within the form factor of the second mass storage memory card,

the transceiver within the first mass storage memory card coupled to the short range antenna within the module, the module having the form factor of a second mass storage memory card,

the module and first mass storage memory card therein, insertable together into a slot of the electronic device.

34. The method of claim 33, wherein the form factor of the first mass storage memory card is a micro-SD card form factor.

35. The method of claim 33, wherein the form factor of the module is an SD card form factor.

36. The method of claim 33, wherein the form factor of the module is one of: a MiniSD format, Memory Stick format, Memory Stick duo format, a compact flash card format, or an XD card format.

37. The method of claim 34, wherein providing a first mass storage memory card further comprises providing one or more contacts used for communicating with radio frequencies via the short range antenna, said one or more contacts provided in addition to a plurality of contacts utilized for wired data transfer if the first mass storage memory card were to be placed directly into an electronic device without the module.

38. A method of enabling near field communications in a portable electronic device having a slot for receiving a memory card, the method comprising:

providing a memory card that fits into the slot of the electronic device,

the memory card operable to store and retrieve user files and having digital rights management routines operable to protect copyrighted content on the card from unauthorized duplication,

the memory card also operable to safeguard transactional data used in commerce;

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providing a near field communications circuit within the memory card; and

providing a near field antenna within the memory card.

39. The method of claim 38, further comprising providing a movable element within the memory card, a portion of said element extending a distance away from a body of the card.

40. The method of claim 38, wherein the near field antenna is provided on or within the movable element, and wherein the element is extended to enhance near field communications.

41. A method of making a payment using a mobile telephone, the method comprising:

inserting a mass storage memory card having an antenna of a shorter range than the antenna of the mobile telephone into a receptacle of the mobile telephone;

receiving a signal associated with an available good or service with the mass storage memory card;

making the payment for the available good or service with the telephone by sending a signal from the mass storage memory card.

42. The method of claim 41, wherein the signal associated with the good or service comprises information regarding a radio frequency universal resource locator.

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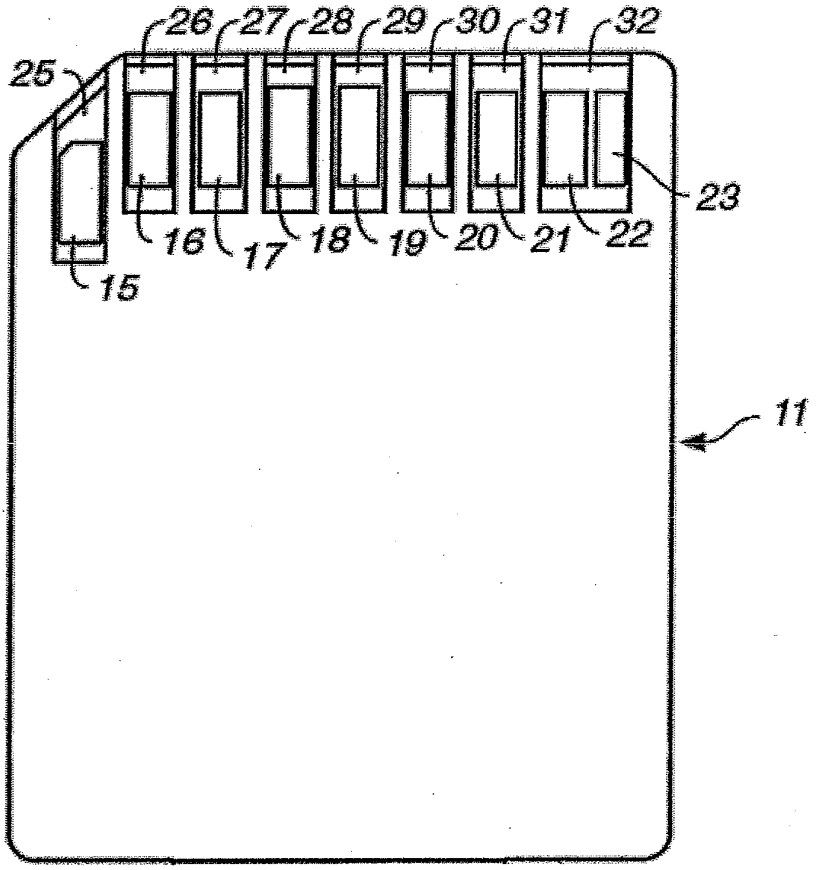


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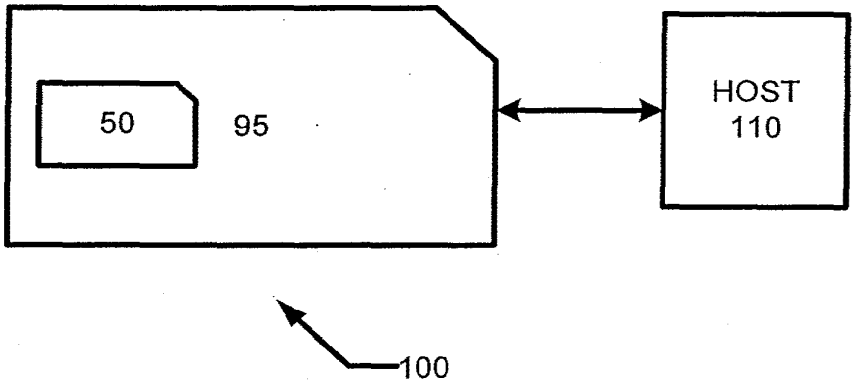


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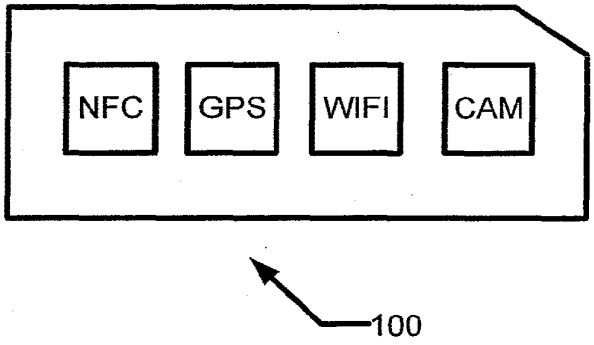


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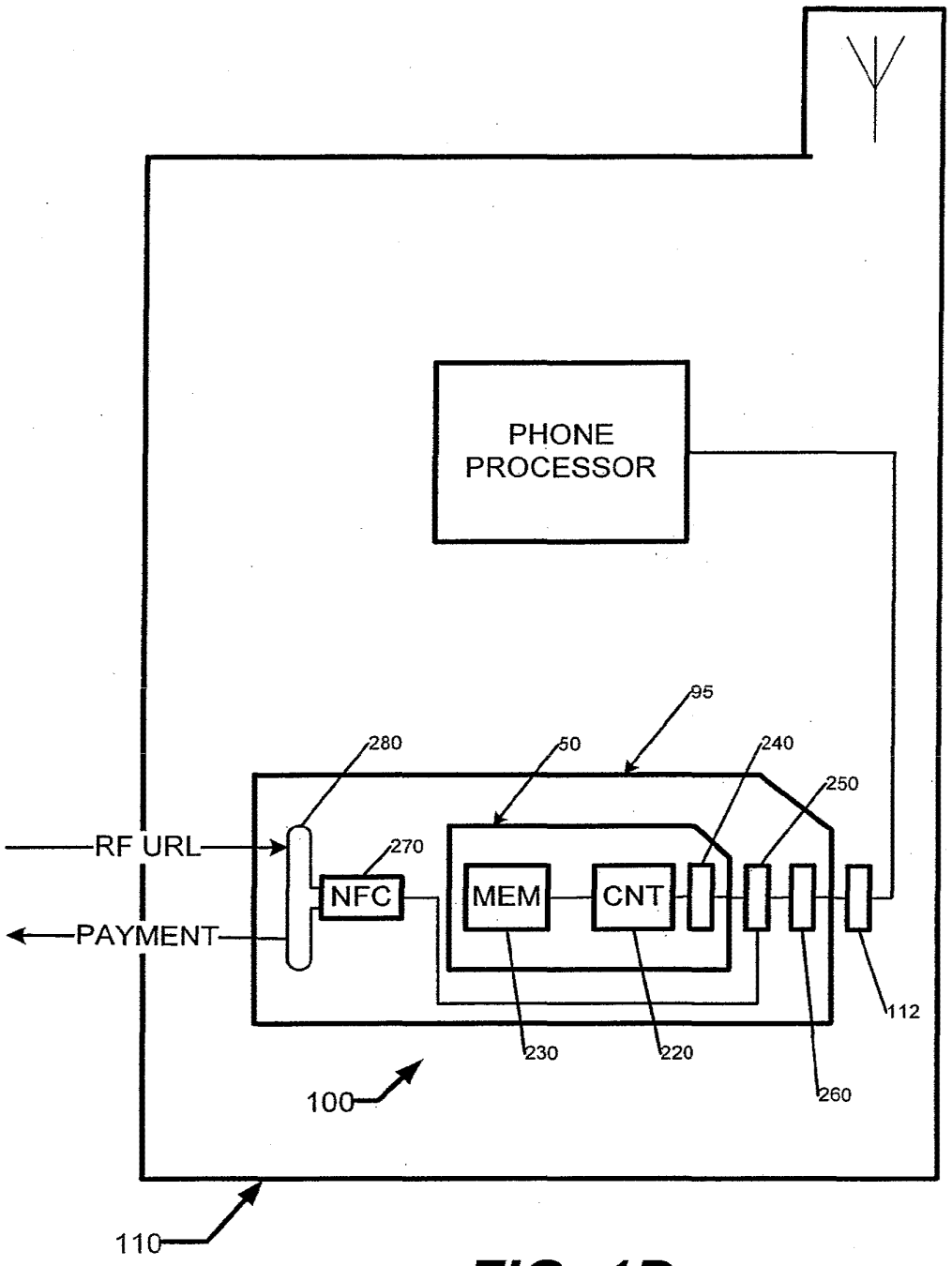

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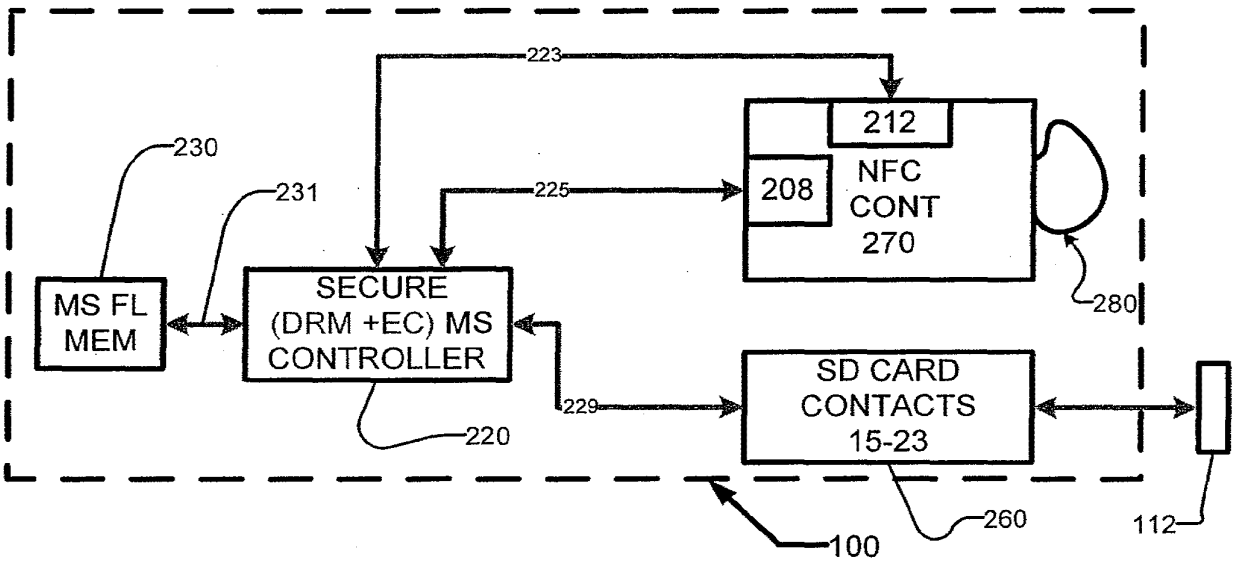

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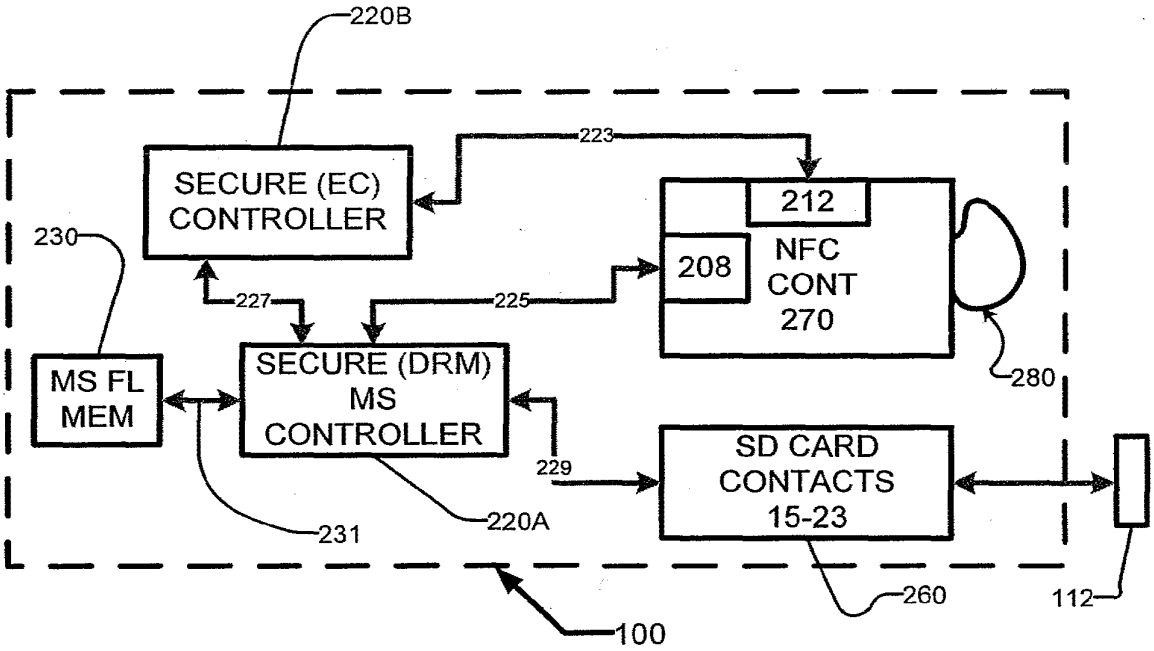

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FIG. 3

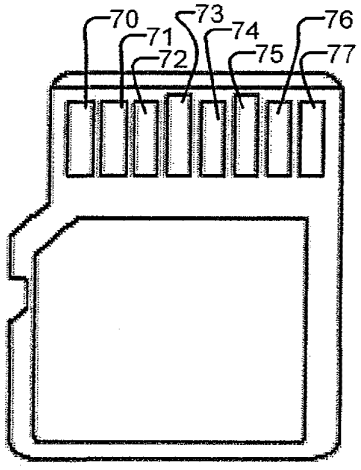


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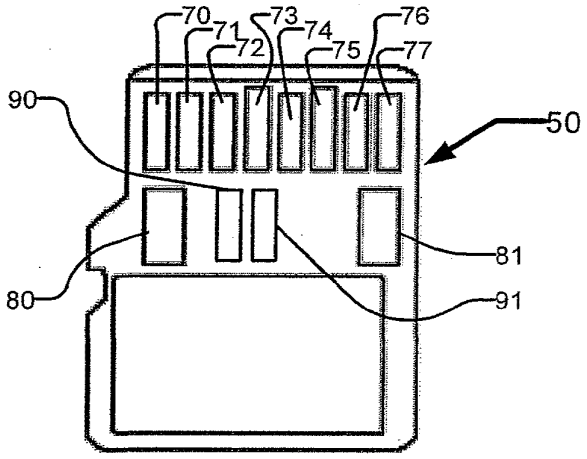


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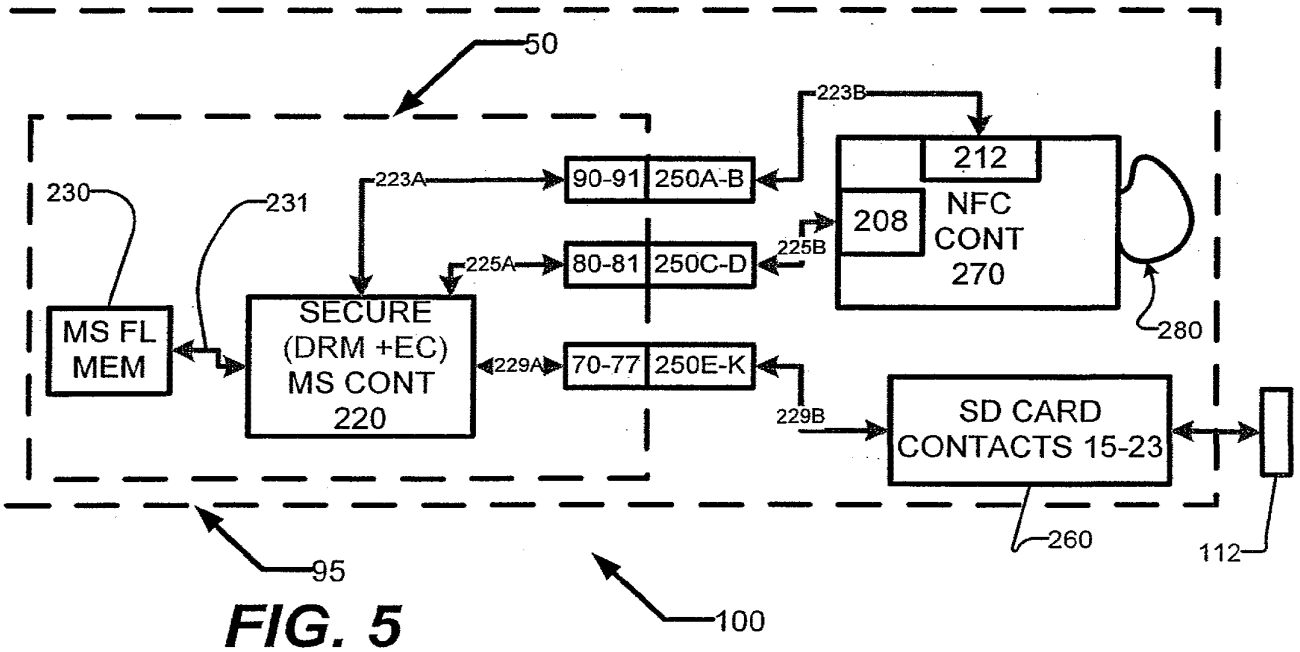


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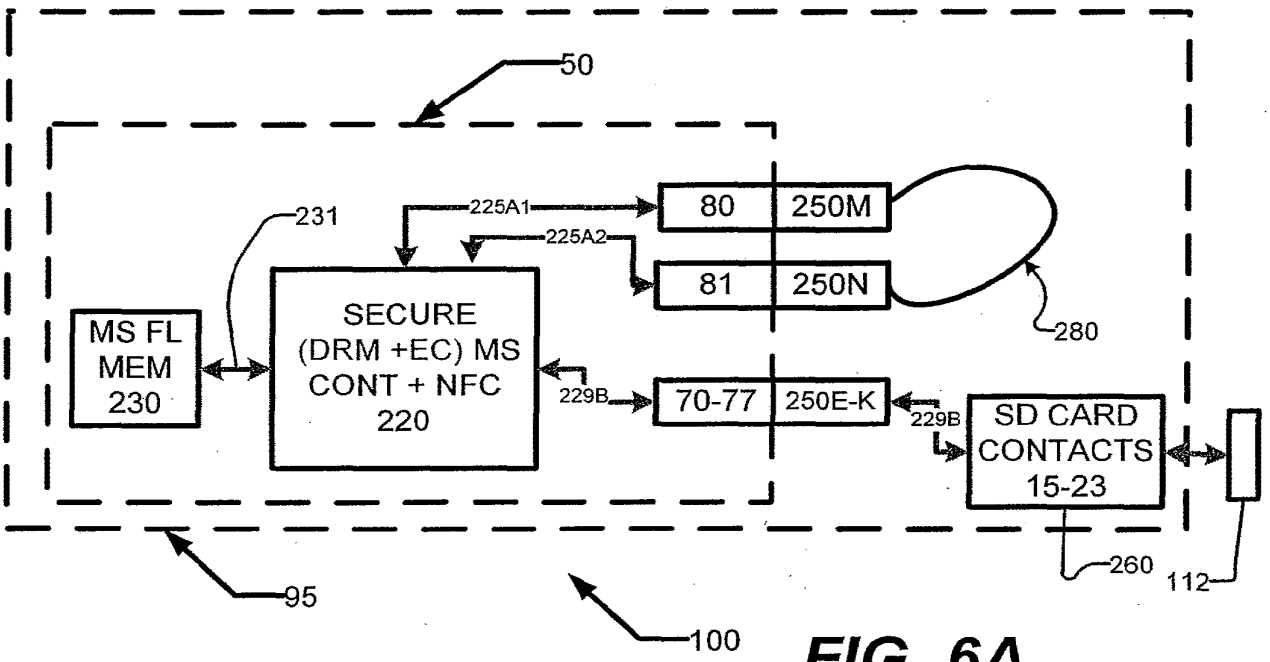

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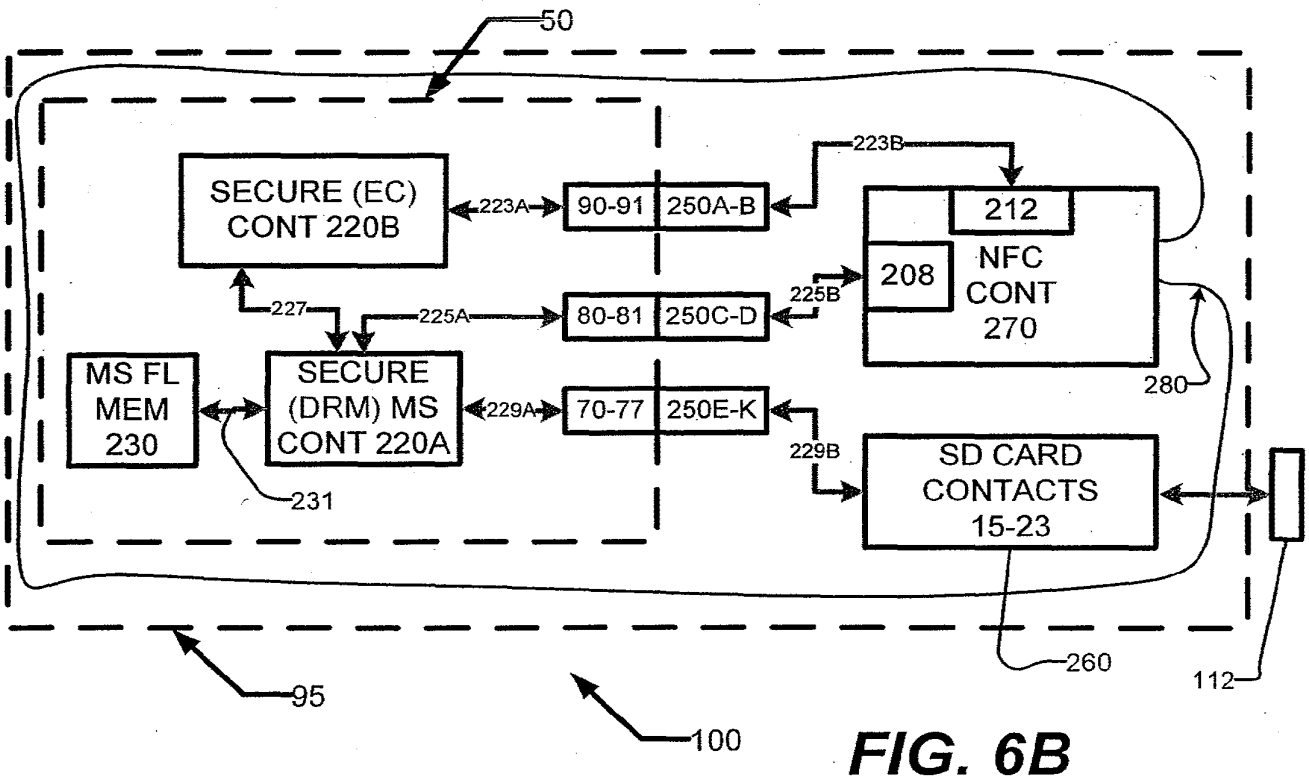

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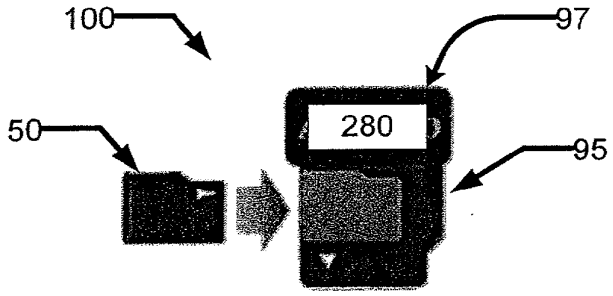

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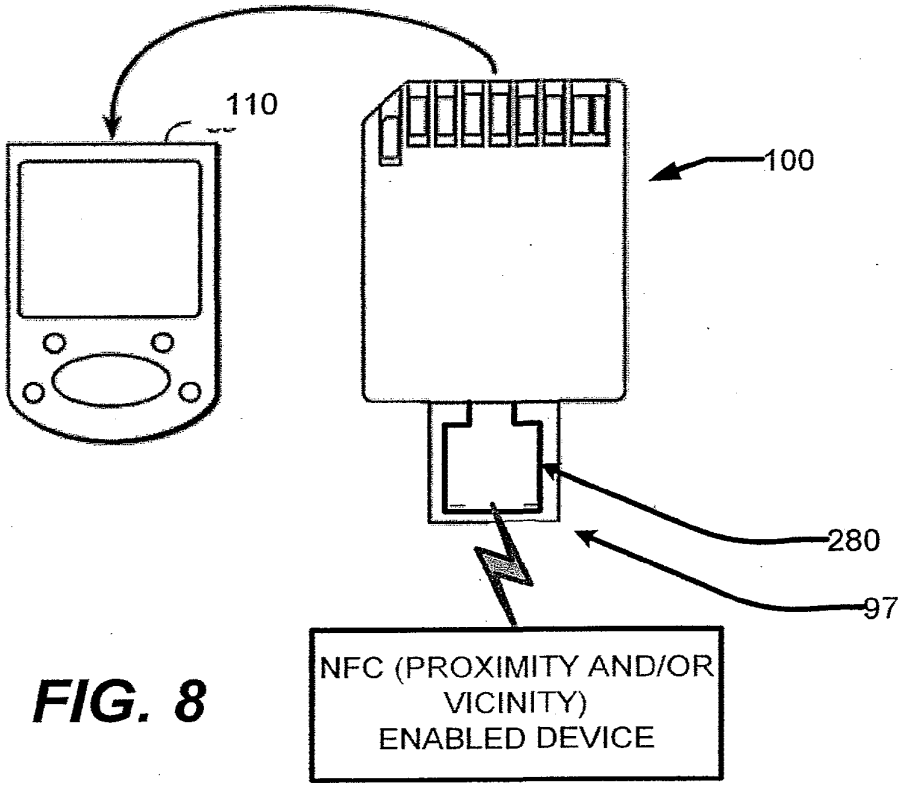

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FIG. 8

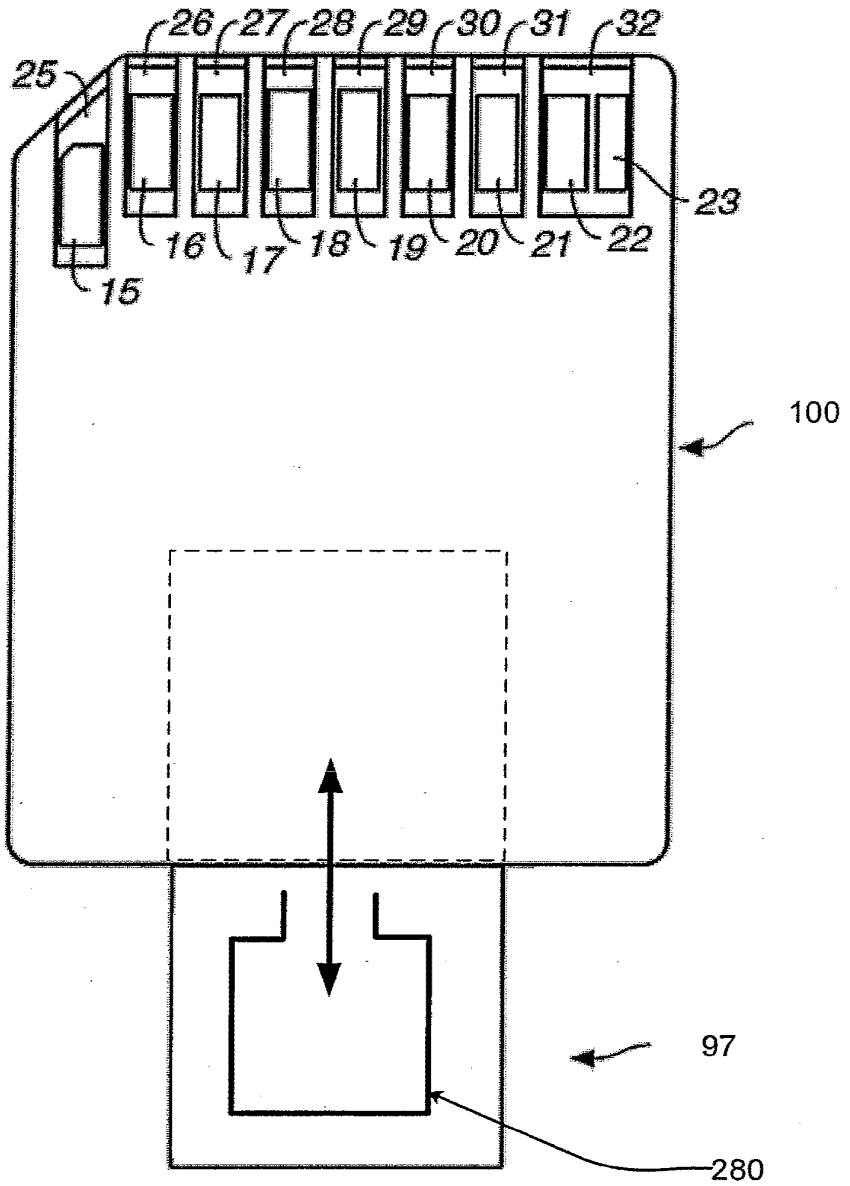


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1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on *10/17/14*.

☐ A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on _____.

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).

Certified copies:

a)☐ All b)☐ Some** c)☐ None of the:

1.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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3) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ .

4) ☐ Other: _____.

The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

DETAILED ACTION

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. See MPEP § 717.02 for applications subject to examination under the first inventor to file provisions

of the AIA as explained in MPEP § 2159. See MPEP §§ 706.02(l)(1) - 706.02(l)(3) for applications not subject to examination under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA. 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 as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of copending Application No. 14/517,585 (reference application). Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because they all claimed the same common subject matter regarding the smart card controller, an antenna; and a circuit that couples between them.

This is a provisional nonstatutory double patenting rejection because the patentably indistinct claims have not in fact been patented.

Claims 1-20 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 9,117,152 and claims 1-20 of U.S.

Patent No. 9,122,965. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because they all claimed the same common subject matter regarding the smart card controller, an antenna; and a circuit that couples between them.

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 –
>
> (e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (**pre-AIPA** 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

Claims 1-20 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kowalski (US 8,260,199).

Regarding claim 1: Kowalski discloses a mobile phone comprising a smartcard controller (311); an antenna (AC3); and at least one active circuit (LCT2b) coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the at least one active

circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65; Figs. 22A-22C).

Regarding claim 2: Kowalski discloses the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz. (col. 9, lines 17-22)

Regarding claim 3: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 4: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 5: Kowalski discloses the at least one active circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65).

Regarding claim 6: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Regarding claim 7: Kowalski discloses a smartcard controller; an antenna; and an amplifier coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 16, lines 15-20).

Regarding claim 8: Kowalski discloses the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz. (col. 9, lines 17-22)

Regarding claim 9: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 10: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 11: Kowalski discloses the load modulation circuit (RFM) coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna (col. 10, lines 27-40).

Regarding claim 12: Kowalski discloses the at least one active circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65).

Regarding claim 13: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Regarding claim 14: See claim 1 above.

Regarding claim 15: Kowalski discloses the antenna is tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz. (col. 9, lines 17-22)

Regarding claim 16: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 17: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 18: Kowalski discloses the amplifier coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna (col. 16, lines 12-20).

Regarding claim 19: Kowalski discloses the at least one active circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65).

Regarding claim 20: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The prior art of Matsushita et al. (US 7,796,449) discloses a mobile device with wireless smartcard communication.

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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S52	112	smartcard with contactless with interface	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 16:06
S53	5	S52 and (first adj2 antenna)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 16:06
S54	5	smartcard with contactless with interface and (first adj2 antenna)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 16:08
S55	11	smartcard with interface and (first adj2 antenna)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 16:10
S56	21	smartcard with contactless and (first adj2 antenna)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 16:54
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S61	33	S57 and contactless	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/14 20:46
S62	83	smartcard with contactless with antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 07:58
S63	2	smartcard with amplifier with antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 14:54
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S78	0	455/558.ccls. and controller and contractless and interface	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 16:11
S79	3	controller and contractless and interface	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 16:11
S80	5546	controller and contactless and interface	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 16:12
S81	351	S80 and smartcard and antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 16:12
S82	15	S81 and amplifier and modulation	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 16:13
S83	0	smartcard with pad with transmitter	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 18:29
S84	1	smartcard with pad with transmit$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 18:29
S85	1	smartcard with (dual adj2 interface) with transmit$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/01/15 18:33
S86	4	("7961101" "8072331").pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2013/02/04 16:12

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S88	8	((smart memory) adj2 card) with controller with amplifier with antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 14:43
S89	1	S88 and inductively and coupled	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 14:43
S90	98	((smart memory) adj2 card) with controller with amplifier	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 15:11
S91	1	S90 and inductively and coupled	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 15:11
S92	1	S90 and contactless and interface	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 15:14
S93	1	S90 and antenna and simplex and communication	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 15:15
S94	0	S90 and microsd and card	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/07/23 15:15
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S99	6	("8866614" "7961101" "8451122" "7961101").pn.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/12 19:06
S100	6	mobile with (smartcard adj2 controller) with antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:40
S101	5	S100 and amplifier	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:40
S102	1	mobile with smartcard with antenna with amplifier	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:41
S103	23	mobile with smartcard with antenna	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:41
S104	7	S103 and amplifier	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:41
S105	5	S104 and modulation	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:41
S106	21	(smartcard same controller) and antenna and amplifier and modulation and (mobile phone)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 10:59
S107	132	(smartcard same controller) and antenna and mhz	US-PGPUB; USPAT; EPO; JPO;	OR	OFF	2014/11/13 12:56

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on December 2, 2015. 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 tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz; and

at least one active circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the at least one active circuit ~~is~~ includes an amplifier coupled to be powered by the mobile device, 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. (Canceled)

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. (Canceled)

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 tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz; and

an amplifier coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device, 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. (Canceled)

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 further comprising a load modulation circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna.

12. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 further comprising an active transmit driver circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna.

13. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

14. (Currently Amended) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller;

an antenna tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz;

an amplifier coupled to be powered by the mobile device, wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller; and

an active transmit driver circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the active transmit driver circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The mobile device of claim 14 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.

17. (Original) The mobile device of claim 14 wherein the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

18-19. (Canceled)

20. (Original) The mobile device of claim 14 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

REMARKS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on December 2, 2015, and the references cited therewith. Claims 1, 7, and 14 are amended, claims 2, 5, 8, 15, and 18-19 are canceled, and no claims are added; as a result, claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9-14, 16, 17, and 20 are now pending in this application.

Nonstatutory Double Patenting Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-20 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of copending Application No. 14/517,585.

Claims 1-20 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 9,117,152 and claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 9,122,965.

A terminal disclaimer is being filed concurrently herewith to overcome this rejection.

35 USC § 102 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-20 were rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kowalski (US 8,260, 199).

Independent claims 1, 7, and 14 have been amended to overcome this rejection. Applicant has amended the independent claims to recite the antenna being tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz, and an amplifier coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller. Applicant respectfully submits that Kowalski fails to teach this combination. Accordingly, applicant believes independent claims 1, 7, and 14 are in condition for allowance. Further applicant believes the remaining dependent claims are in condition for allowance at least by virtue of dependency.

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 (971-344-0038) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

By Applicant's Representatives,

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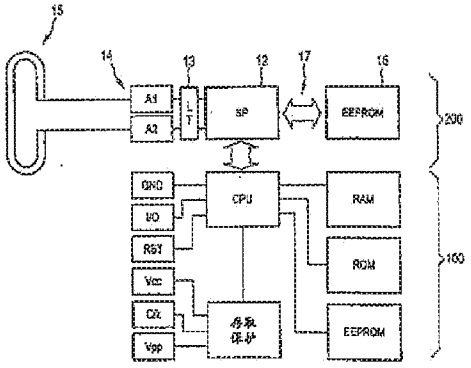
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(54)发明名称

具有发送和接收设备以及用于无线传输的天线的芯片卡

(57)摘要

一种 SIM 卡 (21) 或芯片卡 (20)，特别用于验证至少一个移动通信终端设备，其中 SIM 卡 (21) 具有至少一个处理器 (1) 和用于连接该 SIM 卡 (21) 与移动通信终端设备的接触区 (22)，其中 SIM 卡 (21) 具有天线 (15，23) 或用于与天线 (15，23) 连接的其他接触区 (14，24)，并且 SIM 卡 (21) 具有用于建立和保持近距离无线连接的无线接口 (200)。



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1. 一种 SIM 卡 (21) 或者芯片卡 (20)，尤其用于验证至少一个移动通信终端设备，其中所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有至少一个处理器 (1) 和用于将该 SIM 卡 (21) 与移动通信终端设备相连接的接触区 (22)，其特征在于，所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有天线 (15,23) 或者用于与天线 (15) 连接的其他接触区 (14)，并且所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有用于建立和保持近距离无线连接的无线接口 (200)。

2. 根据权利要求 1 所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述天线 (23) 平坦地设置在所述 SIM 卡 (21) 的背面。

3. 根据权利要求 1 或 2 所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 由集成在所述 SIM 卡 (21) 内的信号处理器 (12) 构成。

4. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有模数转换器和数模转换器。

5. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有数字滤波器。

6. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有输入和 / 或输出放大器。

7. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器具有自己的程序存储器和数据存储器 (16)。

8. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器能够不依赖于 SIM 处理器及其存储设备地执行自己的存储器事务处理、计算方法和程序步骤。

9. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器的程序存储器和 / 或数据存储器 (16) 能够在 SIM 处理器的支持下通过移动通信网络和 / 或连接到移动通信终端设备的与服务器设备、PC 或者网络等的接口被改变、加载或者再加载。

10. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器的程序存储器和 / 或数据存储器 (16) 能够通过 PRL 空中接口被改变、加载或者再加载。

11. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述 SIM 卡 (21) 的无线接口 (200) 和处理器 (1,100) 被集成到一个电子元件内。

12. 一种验证方法，其特征在于，移动通信终端设备的 SIM 卡 (21) 通过集成在该 SIM 卡 (21) 内的无线接口 (200) 在近距离通信中与一个或者多个读取设备无线连接，并且用于验证这个 / 这些移动通信终端设备。

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具有发送和接收设备以及用于无线传输的天线的芯片卡

技术领域

[0001] 本发明涉及一种 SIM 卡或芯片卡，尤其用于验证至少一个移动通信终端设备，其中该 SIM 卡具有至少一个处理器和用于将该 SIM 卡与移动通信终端设备连接的接触区域。

背景技术

[0002] 所谓 SIM 卡（Subscriber Identity Module 即用户身份模块）指一种芯片卡，该芯片卡被插入一个移动通信终端设备、例如移动电话机内，并且用于在移动通信网络中识别用户，亦即用于验证移动通信终端设备。SIM 卡通常具有一个带存储器的处理器。通过 SIM 卡，移动通信终端设备，即尤其是移动电话机，被对应到一个用户并且验证该用户。为此目的，在 SIM 卡上存储有相应的标识、号码和算法。

[0003] 其中，SIM 卡的电源供应通过该 SIM 卡被放入或者插入的移动通信终端设备进行。

[0004] 此外已知多种在使用芯片卡的情况下的支付方法。当今，为无现金支付往来等使用芯片卡。芯片卡是信用卡形式的塑料卡（通常为 85×55mm），具有内置的电子电路，带或不带磁条以及带或不带电触点，它在支付点（销售终端 ;Point of Sale, POS）与适宜的读卡器一起使用。

[0005] 此外，芯片卡可以作为移动通信终端设备中的 SIM（用户身份模块）用于具有附加用途（例如存储用户电话号码等）的用户验证。该卡通常以信用卡形式被提供，并且具有一个大小为 25×15mm 的预先冲制的（vorgestanzt）小芯片卡，这个小芯片卡能够容易地通过预定折裂位置而从完整格式的卡上拆下并用于小的移动通信终端设备中。此外，存在一种用于个人计算机（PC）的 SIM 适配器，其可选地通过通用串行总线（USB）、Firewire（火线）或者 PC 卡被连接，并且由此使得能够读写 SIM 存储器以及把 PC 用作移动通信终端设备。

[0006] 通过使用与移动通信网络连接的移动通信终端设备而实现的各种支付种类被称为移动支付。其中也存在这样一种变体方案，在该方案中，SIM 卡或者一般而言的芯片卡（银行卡）作为预付卡工作并且管理所预付的资金金额，该金额例如使得能够在专门为此装备的自动装置（例如自动售票机）上进行支付。

[0007] 迄今的借助于移动通信终端设备（手机）和例如自动装置之间的通信的支付解决方案需要一种特别制造的带发送 / 接收设备（例如蓝牙、RFIT-NFC（按照 ECMA-340 或者 NFCIP-1 的近距离通信 - 按照 ISO/IEC 18092 的近距离通信接口和协议）、无线以太网（WiFi）、或者无线局域网（WLAN）等）的手机，。

[0008] 例如蓝牙、WiFi 和 WLAN 的当前标准化需要很高的配置开销来在两个设备之间建立可靠的连接，并且通常不提供必需的滥用保护措施，而必需的滥用保护措施对于在 POS 上在例如收款系统和移动通信终端设备之间的自动连接是必需的。另一方面，这样的接口主更存在于当前昂贵的多媒体终端设备内，在那里它们用于传输视频和音频数据以及用于连接免提通话设备。

[0009] 特别的缺点在于，不可能为已有的终端设备增加这样的接口。

[0010] RFIT 是为读取设备和标签之间的连接而被提供的，并且用于读出数据，基于其没

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有提供不同设备之间的可靠的通信。与此相反，所提出的近距离无线通信系统 NFC 应该使得能够实现设备间的通信，尤其是也用于支付过程的通信，并且其在无线通信技术上基于 RFIT 规范，但是使用不同的传输协议和方法来可靠地建立不同设备之间的连接。

[0011] NFC 方法在 13.56MHz 的范围中在设备距离最大为 20 厘米的情况下工作，并且最大直至 424 千比特 / 秒地进行传输，或者按照扩展标准 (ISO/IEC 18092、ECMA 340、ETSI TS 102190) 直至 1 兆比特 / 秒地进行传输。

[0012] NFC 方法的缺点是需要专门的终端设备。为了使用该方法，需要专门设置或者改进的终端设备。

发明内容

[0013] 本发明的任务在于提供一种解决方案，即如何能够以尽可能简单经济的方式方法为不同的移动通信终端设备配备尤其是用于执行支付过程的为短距离优化的发送和接收设备。

[0014] 根据本发明，该任务通过按照权利要求 1 的 SIM 卡以及按照权利要求 12 的方法解决。本发明的进一步的有利扩展方案在各从属权利要求中给出。

[0015] 对于根据本发明的 SIM 卡或芯片卡、尤其是用于验证至少一个移动通信终端设备的 IM 卡或芯片卡，其中 SIM 卡具有至少一个处理器和用于将该 SIM 卡与移动通信终端设备连接的接触区域，特别有利地，该 SIM 卡具有天线或者用于与天线连接的其他接触区域，以及该 SIM 卡具有用于建立和保持近距离无线连接的无线通信接口。

[0016] 因此，根据本发明，为 SIM 卡配备发送和接收设备以及用于无线传输的天线或者用于与用于无线传输的天线连接的接触位置，使得能够借助于该 SIM 卡在不使用移动无线通信网络的情况下建立和保持近距离无线连接，以便不依赖于移动无线通信网络而使用增值服务。例如能够通过这样一种近距离无线连接进行支付过程。

[0017] 优选地，天线平坦地设置在 SIM 卡的背面。通过这种设置，以有利的方式可以将用于建立和保持无线连接的天线集成到 SIM 卡中，而无须改变 SIM 卡的几何边界条件，也就是说根据本发明的 SIM 卡可以对应于标准形式。

[0018] 在一种优选的实施方式中，无线接口由集成在 SIM 卡内的信号处理器构成。

[0019] 优选地，无线接口具有模数转换器和数模转换器。

[0020] 在一种优选的实施方式中，无线接口具有数字滤波器。

[0021] 优选地，无线接口具有输入和 / 或输出放大器。

[0022] 由于可以提供模数转换器和数模转换器以及 / 或者数字滤波器以及 / 或者输入和 / 或输出放大器，根据本发明的无线接口能够适配各种需求，以便能够与合适的对方站建立和保持无线连接。

[0023] 在一种特别优选的实施方式中，SIM 卡的无线接口和处理器被集成到一个电子元件内，也就是说 SIM 卡的迄今已知的处理器以及 SIM 卡的根据本发明设置的无线接口都可以被集成在该卡的单个集成芯片内。

[0024] 对于根据本发明的验证方法，特别有利地，移动通信终端设备的 SIM 卡通过集成在该 SIM 卡内的无线接口在近距离通信中与一个或者多个读取设备无线连接，并且用于验证这个 / 这些移动通信终端设备。

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[0025] 根据本发明的解决方案从下面一点出发，即在一个芯片卡、优选是在 SIM 上集成用于针对 POS 上的短距离优化的包括天线的无线接口的完整的发送和接收设备，并且作为移动终端设备的能加装模块、例如蜂窝 GSM 或 UMTS 网络的 MS 提供，由此不再必须购买专门的、配备有相应硬件的终端设备。

[0026] 在以下说明中，为移动通信终端设备和 POS 之间的无线传输方法代表性且仅示范性地使用表述“支付点无线连接”（支付无线链路 :Payment Radio Link-PRL）。因此，PRL 包括用于在通常为短的距离上无线传输数据（可选地为语音）的技术设备（发送和接收放大器、调制器、解调器、模数转换器、数模转换器、根据需要的回波补偿方法、中间存储器、天线等）以及用于建立（协商）两个设备之间的可靠连接的逻辑前提以及用于可靠地执行所必需的数据传输和用于确定性地中断该连接的相应的传输协议，该距离根据应用而处于分米或者米的范围内。

[0027] PRL 在这一意义上可以基于 NFC 传输方法，但是也可以是上述功能性的任意一种其他的方法。本发明不涉及传输方法本身，而是介绍一种技术功能性以及其以下述方式集成到移动通信终端设备中，即可以使尽可能多的已有的和新的终端设备以尽可能经济的方式方法通过这样一种技术参与到改革的新的服务，例如 POS 上的新的无现金支付方法。

[0028] 毫无疑问，该新的方法 - 例如也具有 PRL 功能性 - 可以通过将电子元件和软件程序添加到新的手机电路中而被集成。然而，根据本发明从下述一点出发，即用户应该能够在后来为已经有的手机加装这样一种功能性，或者移动通信提供商能够在不进行新开发的情况下用这种技术对各种终端设备进行配置。

[0029] 在这种情况下，SIM 适合于作为集成的场所，因为这样的模块在分布最广的蜂窝式 GSM 和 UMTS 移动通信网络中在每一个终端设备中使用，并且能够容易地更换。在将天线集成到 SIM 上时，必须考虑到由于终端设备自身的屏蔽效应（SIM 通常被设置在手机内部）而导致的缩小的作用范围，然而这个缩小的作用范围对于该应用所必需的短的无线作用范围而言不起任何作用。然而，通过提供在 SIM 外部设置天线这种可能性，本发明为具有较大作用范围需求的应用提供了空间。例如无法接近地设置的自动装置能够由此受益。为与外部设置的天线的连接设置相应的接触面。

附图说明

[0030] 附图中示出了本发明的一个实施例，并且在下面对该实施例进行说明。附图中：

[0031] 图 1 示出了根据现有技术的 SIM 卡的示意图；

[0032] 图 2 示出了根据本发明的 SIM 卡的示意图；

[0033] 图 3 示出了集成有发送 / 接收设备的芯片卡的视图；

[0034] 图 4a 示出了根据现有技术的 SIM 卡的截面图；

[0035] 图 4b 示出了根据本发明的集成有天线的 SIM 卡的截面图；

[0036] 相同的元件或组件在附图中具有相同的附图标记并且在下面相应地使用。

具体实施方式

[0037] 图 1 示意性地表示通常的 SIM。它具有完整的微处理器电路 100，即具有存储器 2(RAM) 的微处理器 1，并且能够在对于智能化增值服务的舒适执行中被考虑。因此，在存储

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器 2 中可以存储例如电话号码。新的 SIM 还具有例如用于音频或者视频数据的大的存储器 2。不同的功能决通常设置在单个电子元件（芯片）内。

[0038] 此外，在只读存储器 3(ROM) 中存储 SIM 卡的操作系统，在 EEPROM4 中存储应用数据。SIM 卡具有存取保护形式的安全设备 5，此外还具有诸如编程电压 6(Vpp)、时钟信号 7(Clk)、电源供给 8(Vcc)、复位 9(RST,reset)、输入 / 输出 10(I/O) 和地 11(GND) 这样的各种接点。

[0039] 因此，图 1 示意性表示了通常的 SIM 卡。

[0040] 根据本发明，SIM 被扩展以 PRL 功能性。这在图 2 中示意性表示。在图 2 中示出了根据本发明的 SIM 卡，包括对应于根据图 1 的架构的常规芯片卡架构 100，该架构根据本发明被扩展以无线接口 200。无线接口 200 具有信号处理器 12(SP)、专门分配的程序和数据存储器 16(EEPROM)、线路驱动器（发送 / 接收放大器）13(LT) 以及与天线 15 的接点 14(A1, A2)。

[0041] 在此，作为例如与终端设备的接口的 SIM 连接设计在物理上保特不变，由此它能应用在现有的终端设备中。为 SIM 补充涉及 SIM 处理器、或者优选作为 SIM 芯片的集成扩展的附加的信号处理器功能，其与 SIM 的微处理器协作执行无线接口协议方法，以及实现所必需的模拟的放大器和滤波器功能、模 / 数转换及反过来的数 / 模转换、调制解调器功能以及输入和输出放大和通过例如回波补偿方法的发送和接收信号的去耦合。

[0042] 信号处理器 12 具有自己的程序和数据存储器 16，它通过特定的接口 17 连接，并且解除 SIM 处理器 100 对于 PRL 功能性的时序要求严格的处理方法负担，例如发送和接收任务、调制和解调、编码方法、错误补偿等。这些功能可以由 SIM 处理器发起和控制地在信号处理器 200 中自主地进行。

[0043] 根据本发明，信号处理器的程序存储器可以在 SIM 处理器的支持下经由移动通信网络从服务器设备被加载，以便校正可能的程序错误以及使程序优化及新的 PRL 功能性能够使用。

[0044] 天线 15 优选同样位于 SIM 模块上。在一种有利的实现变形方案中，包括信号处理器和驱动电路的完整电路集成在 SIM 上的单个元件（芯片）内。

[0045] 天线 15 可选地可以预先设置在设备中，并且在这种情况下通过扩展有功能性 A1 和 A2 的接触区与 SIM 连接。在这种方案中，为了最佳的高频传输，可选地在设备中设置发送 / 接收放大器 13。这样的方法导致新的终端设备（或者可选地是 SIM 适配器），并且如果作用范围要包括多个收款位置，则这样的方法例如在涉及 PC 控制的收款的 SIM 应用中是有意义的。在这种情况下，包括附加天线的 SIM 可以例如被插入 SIM 适配器内，而 SIM 适配器又安装在收款区域中的暴露位置，并且例如借助于以太网或者 USB 连接与收款 PC 连接。

[0046] 有利地，SIM 天线 15、23 可以通过印刷技术或者电镀技术被设置在 SIM 的背面（接触侧）上，如在图 4b 中所示。在这种处理方式中，该电子元件超出通常的连接端子的框架具有两个附加的接触面 (A1 和 A2)。

[0047] 将 SIM 天线设置在 SIM 接触面（背面）上是特别有利的，并且尤其允许在单一工序中同时生产工艺地制造接触面和天线。

[0048] 对于电镀接触面的材料厚度和机械强度足够的情况，可以不需要通过芯片载体 26 的电镀通孔。在这种情况下，导线连接 25 通过芯片载体的相应空隙直接与 SIM 天线和 SIM

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接触面连接（结合）。

[0049] 图 3 举例示出了天线 23 在具有例如 6 个用于终端设备中接触弹簧的接触区 22 的 SIM 21 的接触侧上的设置，其中 SIM 21 作为芯片卡 20（通常为信用卡形式）的截面表示。为天线连接使用附加的触点接触 24，其不通过接触区 22 与终端设备连接。

[0050] 图 4 示意性示出了 SIM 的一种优选的机械结构。接触区 22 的为了连接天线 23 而使用的区域不被用于 SIM 保持架的弹簧接触，而根据本发明用于通过芯片载体 26 执行天线连接，并且在这一特征中在与 SIM 接触区 22 的通孔相同的加工过程中被一起制造。与按照图 4a 的通常的 SIM 不同，按照图 4 的变体 b 此外在为此特别扩大的芯片载体 26 上还具有优选电镀地与触点一起设置的天线 23。实际的芯片通常借助于焊接、粘合或者连接技术（示出的是导线连接技术）而被设置。根据图 3，为天线连接例如可以使用外接触面 24。

[0051] 图 4 在图 4a（上图）中以侧视图示意性表示两个接触区 22 穿过芯片载体 26 并借助于连接导线到 SIM 芯片的连接。在图 4b（下图）中，用侧视图表示设置在接触侧上的天线 23（右侧）以及示范性的接触区 22（左侧）的连接。芯片和布线 25 集成在卡壳 21 内，卡壳 21 在其底面具有触点 22 和天线 23。

[0052] 这个根据本发明的方法同样使得能够经济地和简单地为 POS 加装 PRL 功能。这里，SIM 通过使用通常的 SIM 适配器以 USB、FireWire、PCCard 或者类似的方法与 PC、或者处理器控制的收款机或自动装置连接，或者被插入 PC（收款机或者自动装置）的相应插座内，其中可以使用商用的 SIM 适配器。

[0053] 因此根据本发明，为芯片卡配备发送和接收设备以及用于无线传输的天线，使得为芯片卡、例如移动通信网络用户身份模块（SIM）为了开展无现金支付服务被配备有天线和所有对于在通常为短的、优选在分米或米范围内的距离上数据（可选地为语音）的无线传输所必需的电路和程序控制部件，例如信号处理器、协议控制器（程序控制的微处理器）、模拟的放大器元件、数模和模数变换器等，以便在用户发起后全自动地建立移动通信终端设备和支付点（销售终端 POS）之间的可靠连接，可靠地执行相应的传输协议，以及然后确定性地结束存在的连接，其中 SIM 优选地在单个电子电路（芯片）内包含所必需的电子部件，以及例如以印制或电镀技术制造的形式在 SIM 内或者可选地在至少一个外表面上包含天线。

[0054] 通过简单地用根据本发明的 SIM 更换常规的 SIM 提供支付点无线连接（支付无线链路 PRL）的这种功能，而无需终端设备中的附加硬件措施，其中终端设备的对于扩展后的 SIM 的控制以及对于设备内开展支付服务（菜单控制）而附加需要的驱动软件和对于可选附加的与移动通信网络的通信内部的或者连接到移动通信网络的金融服务功率设备（例如服务器设备）附加地可以通过例如更换终端设备程序存储器或者从特定的服务器设备下载而被引入。该功能性还包括用于 PRL 信号处理器的程序更换，以灵活地匹配 PRL 无线接口的无线技术的改变。

[0055] 用于 PRL 的 SIM 天线优选地可以（例如以电镀技术）在同一加工过程中与触点连接一起在 SIM 的接触侧上被制造（图 4），并且位于因此为这种情况而扩大的芯片载体上，其中天线与 SIM 芯片的连接以与 SIM 芯片接触同样的方式通过导线连接或者粘合或者焊接被建立，天线在 SIM 的接触侧上的连接以与 SIM 连接端子接触同样的方式通过芯片载体进行，这在该制造过程中也可以以与芯片触点的通孔相同的加工步骤进行。该方法的目的是在成

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本方面优化用于将附加的天线设置在 SIM 模块上的制造过程。

[0056] 可能的是，PRL 芯片卡能够多重使用，并且可以例如通过插座或者 SIM 适配器用例如 USB、fireWire、以太网、或者 PC 卡接口而连接到处理器控制的 POS，例如收款设备、POS 中央计算机或者自动装置等，其中涉及 PRL 芯片卡的附加软件负责 PRL 芯片卡的控制。在这种应用中，PRL 芯片卡的运行控制被组织为使得纯 PRL 功能在没有移动通信操作的情况下也可以使用。由此，该模块是能广泛使用的。移动通信领域中通常的验证和加密方法在这种应用中不被使用，并且通过经由设备连接通知 SIM 的控制指令被切断。

[0057] 可选地，设置在 PRL 芯片卡外的天线可以通过（设备中或者例如 PC 适配器中）模块的天线连接触点的接触被操作，并且由此能够实现模块的提高的作用范围和传输质量，其中在这种操作方式中又可选地，发送和接收放大器被设置在终端设备或者例如适配器内的 PRL 芯片卡之外。在这种情况下需要具有用于区域 A1 和 A2 的附加触点的扩展 SIM 插座。该方法适于固定的 POS 操作以及例如特殊的终端设备（PC、笔记本计算机和专用终端设备，例如为需要较大无线通信作用范围的行动不便的人）。

[0058] 还可能的是，将 SIM 卡以及天线都集成到塑料载体内，或者塑料卡、芯片卡等内。

[0059] 术语“SIM 卡”在本发明的意义上被理解为所有的用户身份模块（Subscriber Identity Module），如 SIM 或者 USIM 等，但是尤其还被理解为芯片卡的所有其他的形式，例如集成在信用卡等上的具有处理器和用于与设备连接的接触面的芯片卡。在这种芯片卡内也可以集成根据本发明的无线接口以及天线触点或者天线。

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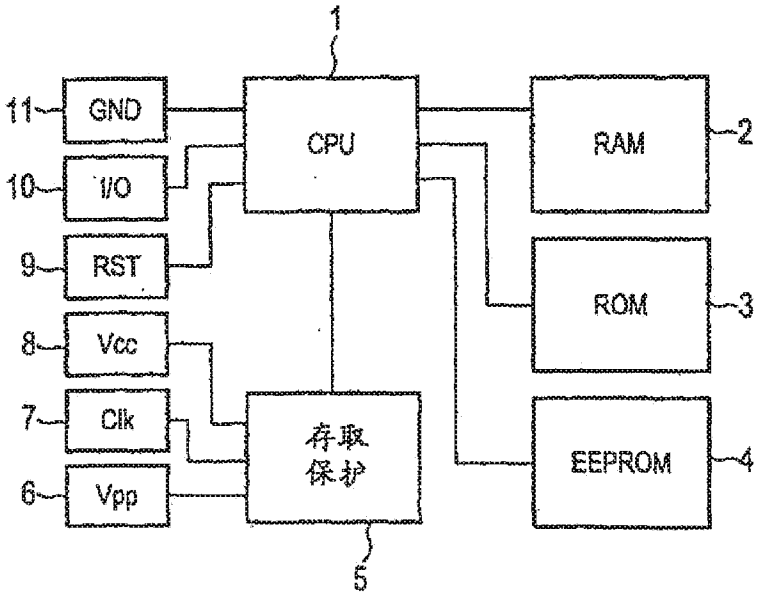


图 1 现有技术

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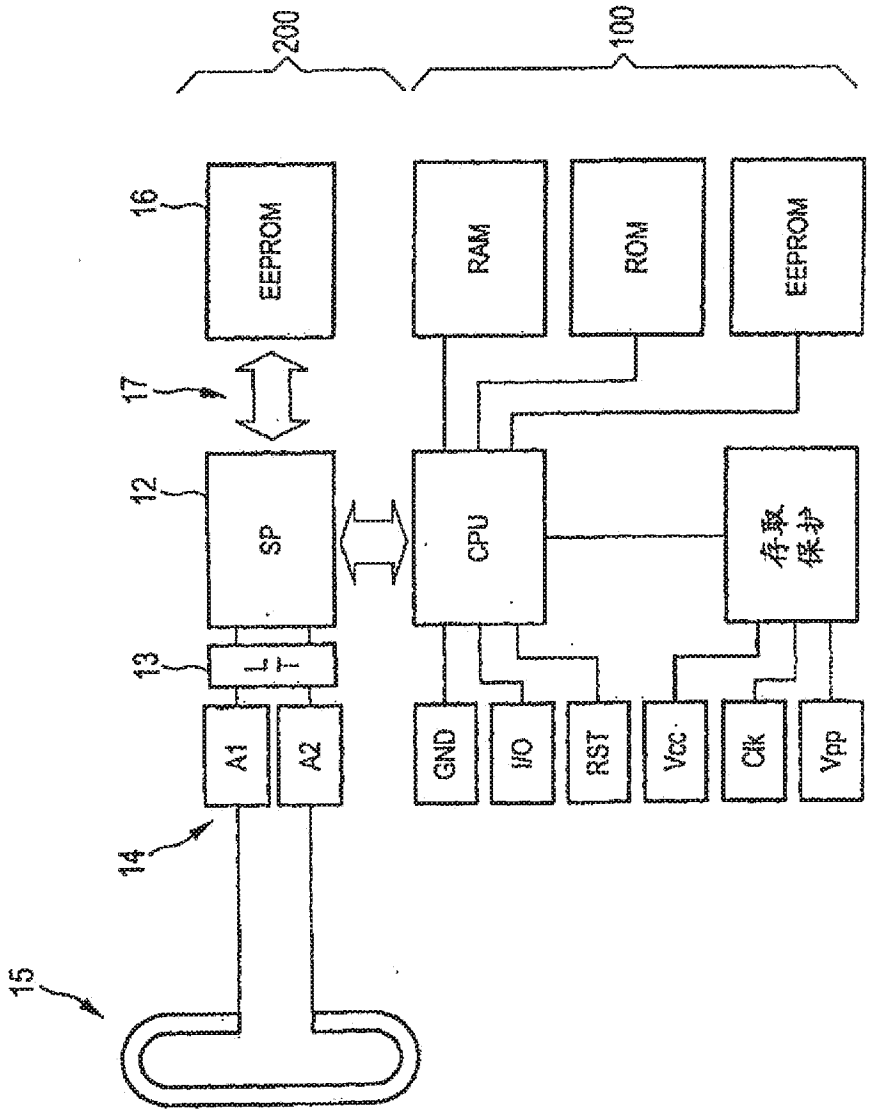


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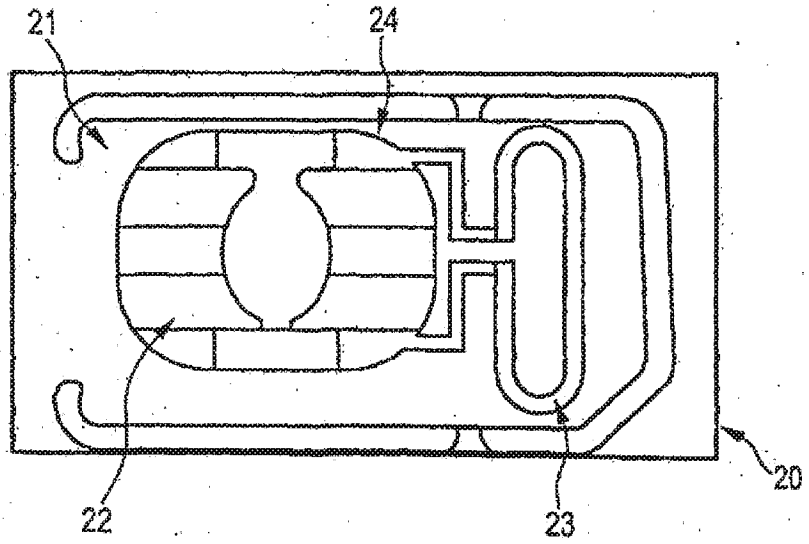


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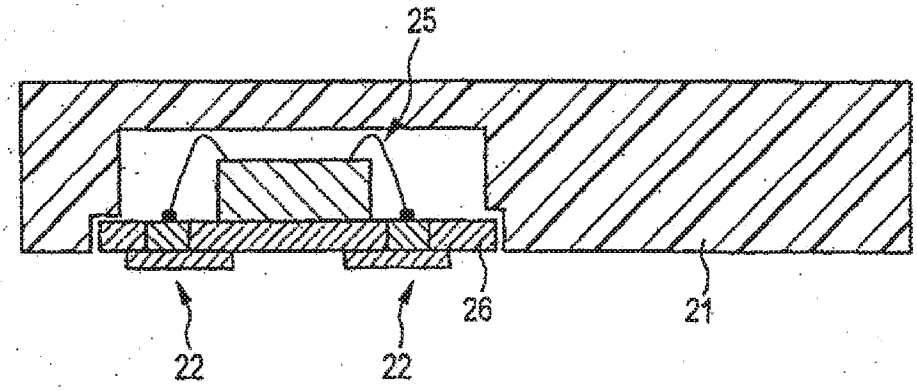


图 4a

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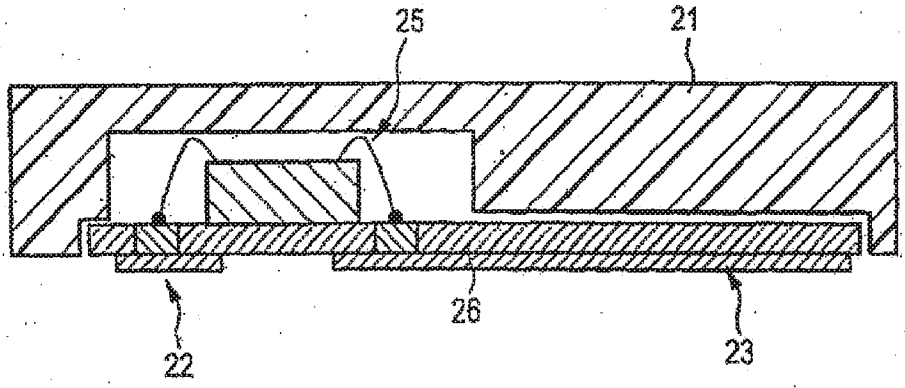


图 4b

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1. 一种 SIM 卡 (21) 或者芯片卡 (20)，尤其用于验证至少一个移动通信终端设备，其中所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有至少一个处理器 (1) 和用于将该 SIM 卡 (21) 与移动通信终端设备相连接的接触区 (22)，其特征在于，所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有天线 (15,23) 或者用于与天线 (15) 连接的其他接触区 (14)，并且所述 SIM 卡 (21) 具有用于建立和保持近距离无线连接的无线接口 (200)，其中该 SIM 卡 (21) 的无线接口 (200) 和处理器 (1,100) 被集成在一个电子元件内。

2. 根据权利要求 1 所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述天线 (23) 平坦地设置在所述 SIM 卡 (21) 的背面。

3. 根据权利要求 1 或 2 所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 由集成在所述 SIM 卡 (21) 内的信号处理器 (12) 构成。

4. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有模数转换器和数模转换器。

5. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有数字滤波器。

6. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述无线接口 (200) 具有输入和 / 或输出放大器。

7. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器具有自己的程序存储器和数据存储器 (16)。

8. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器能够不依赖于 SIM 处理器及其存储设备地执行自己的存储器事务处理、计算方法和程序步骤。

9. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器的程序存储器和 / 或数据存储器 (16) 能够在 SIM 处理器的支持下通过移动通信网络和 / 或连接到移动通信终端设备的与服务器设备、PC 或者网络等的接口被改变、加载或者再加载。

10. 根据上述权利要求之一所述的 SIM 卡 (21)，其特征在于，所述信号处理器的程序存储器和 / 或数据存储器 (16) 能够通过 PRL 空中接口被改变、加载或者再加载。

11. 一种验证方法，其特征在于，移动通信终端设备的 SIM 卡 (21) 通过集成在该 SIM 卡 (21) 内的无线接口 (200) 在近距离通信中与一个或者多个读取设备无线连接，并且用于验证这个 / 这些移动通信终端设备。

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[57]申請專利範圍

1. 一種與記憶卡相容的 RFID 卡片，其包含：一記憶卡插槽介面；一記憶卡控制器，其係耦接到該記憶卡插槽介面；一無接觸通訊裝置，其係耦接到該記憶卡控制器，該無接觸通訊裝置具有一天線埠；一電力傳遞機制，以將電力從該記憶卡插槽介面傳遞到該無接觸通訊裝置；一磁核；以及一圍著該磁核纏繞的線圈，該線圈係耦接到該無接觸通訊裝置之該天線埠。
2. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，其中該無接觸通訊裝置係設計成符合 ISO 14443。
3. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，其中該無接觸通訊裝置係設計成能與 MIFARE 交互運作。
4. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，其中該卡片符合一標準記憶卡的尺寸需求。
5. 如申請專利範圍第 4 項所述之卡片，其中該卡片符合下列其中一者之記憶卡尺寸需求：安全數位(SD)卡、迷你 SD 卡、以及微 SD 卡。
6. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，更包含一電路板，其中該記憶卡控制器、該無接觸通訊裝置、該磁核及線圈皆固定於其上。
7. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，其中該無接觸通訊裝置係可運作以反射實質上在 13.56MHz 上所接收之訊號。
8. 如申請專利範圍第 7 項所述之卡片，其中該無接觸通訊裝置係可運作以藉由修改一耦接到該天線埠之內部電路之阻抗的方式，來反射一已接收訊號。
9. 如申請專利範圍第 1 項所述之卡片，更包含耦接到該記憶卡控制器之非揮發性記憶體。
10. 一種無線射頻識別(RFID)記憶卡，其至少包含：一記憶卡控制器，其係與一主機端通訊；一 RFID 裝置，其具有一天線埠，且該 RFID 裝置進一步被耦接以從該主機端接收電

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力；一感應元件，其耦接到該天線埠，其中該感應元件對於要提供足夠能源以對該 RFID 裝置供電而言太小。

11. 如申請專利範圍第 10 項所述之 RFID 記憶卡，其中該 RFID 裝置係設計成符合 ISO 14443。

12. 如申請專利範圍第 10 項所述之 RFID 記憶卡，其中該 RFID 裝置係設計成能與 MIFARE 交互運作。

13. 如申請專利範圍第 10 項所述之 RFID 記憶卡，其中該卡片符合下列其中一者之記憶卡尺寸需求：安全數位(SD)卡、迷你 SD 卡、以及微 SD 卡。

14. 如申請專利範圍第 10 項所述之 RFID 記憶卡，更包含一電路板，其中該記憶卡控制器、該 RFID 裝置以及該感應元件皆固定於其上。

15. 如申請專利範圍第 10 項所述之 RFID 記憶卡，其中該 RFID 裝置係可運作以反射實質上在 13.56MHz 上所接收之訊號。

16. 一種行動付款裝置，其至少包含：一磁核，其具有一纏繞於其上之線圈，以感應地耦接到一由一行動付款讀取器所傳輸之訊問無線射頻場；一雙介面智慧卡控制器，其具有一耦接到該線圈之天線埠，該雙介面智慧卡控制器更被耦接以從除了該天線埠之外的其他處接收電力；一記憶卡控制器，其被耦接以與該雙介面智慧卡控制器通訊；一記憶卡相容電路板，其中該磁核、該雙介面智慧卡、以及該記憶卡控制器皆係裝配於其上。

17. 如申請專利範圍第 16 項所述之行動付款裝置，更包含金屬接觸，其係與在一主機端裝置內之一記憶卡插槽相容。

18. 如申請專利範圍第 16 項所述之行動付款裝置，其中該雙介面智慧卡控制器係耦接到該等金屬接觸，以從該主機端裝置接收電力。

19. 如申請專利範圍第 16 項所述之行動付款裝置，其中該雙介面智慧卡控制器被耦接，以從該記憶卡控制器處接收電力。

20. 如申請專利範圍第 16 項所述之行動付款裝置，其中該行動付款裝置符合下列其中一者之記憶卡尺寸需求：安全數位(SD)卡、迷你 SD 卡、以及微 SD 卡。

21. 如申請專利範圍第 20 項所述之行動付款裝置，更包含非揮發性記憶體，其耦接到該記憶卡控制器。

22. 如申請專利範圍第 16 項所述之行動付款裝置，其中該雙介面智慧卡控制器係可運作以反射實質上在 13.56MHz 上所接收之訊號。

圖式簡單說明

第 1 圖顯示一行動計算裝置以及一與記憶卡差曾相容之小型 RFID 卡；

第 2 圖顯示一行動計算裝置之方塊圖；

第 3A-3B 圖顯示具有整合感應元件之記憶卡相容 RFID 卡的方塊圖；

第 4 圖顯示具有一整合感應元件之記憶卡相容 RFID 卡的照片；

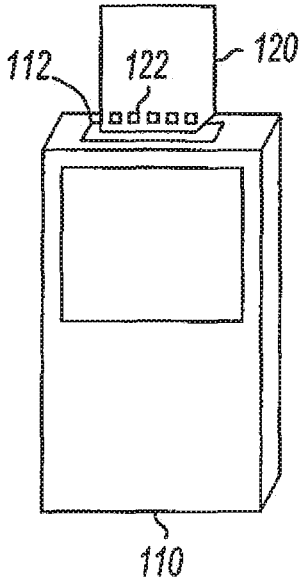
第 5 圖顯示一記憶體寫入命令之資料部分；

第 6-11 圖顯示根據本發明之各具體實施例之方法的流程圖；

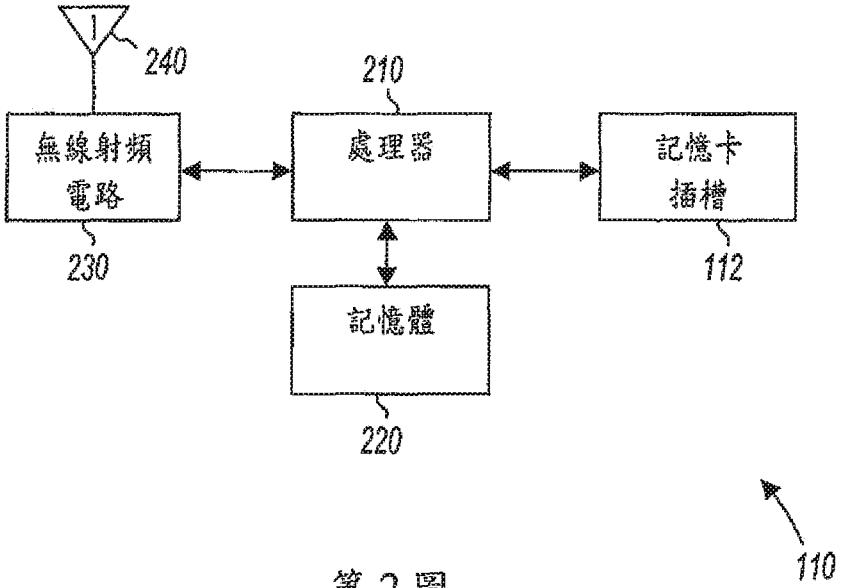
第 12 圖顯示在存在著一訊問 RF 場的情況下，藉由整流在一迴路天線內所感應之電壓而隨著時間所發展的電源供應電壓；以及

第 13 圖顯示在一安全數位(SD)記憶卡中之一先前技術之 RFID 標籤實作。

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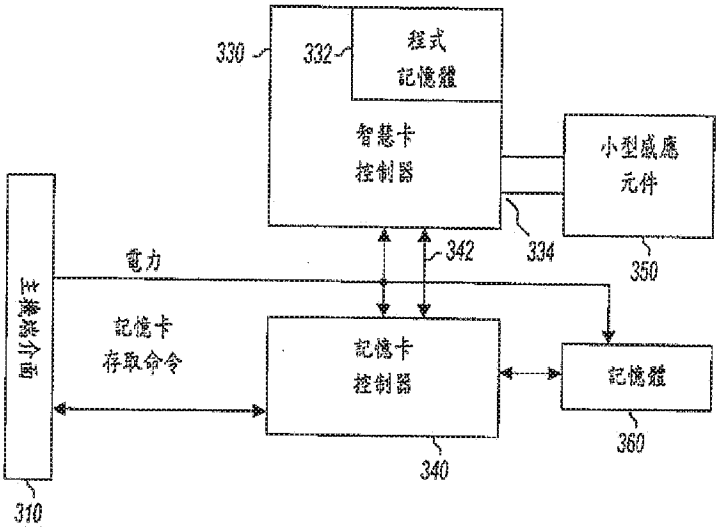


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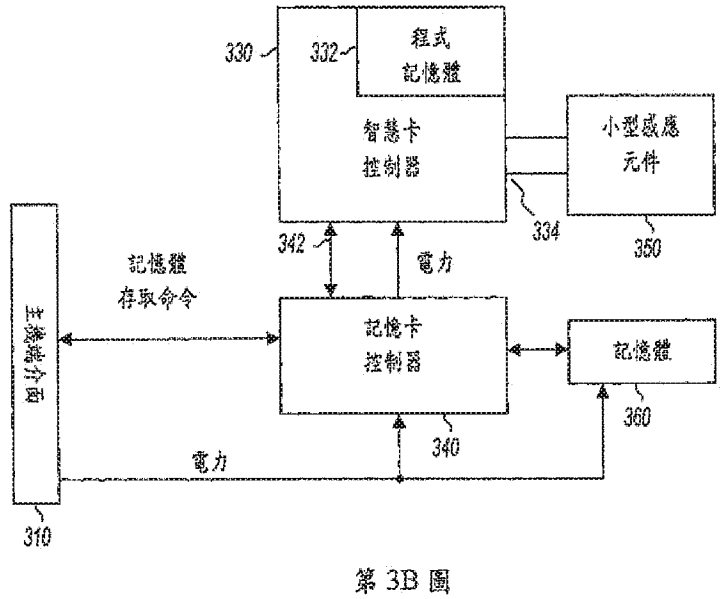


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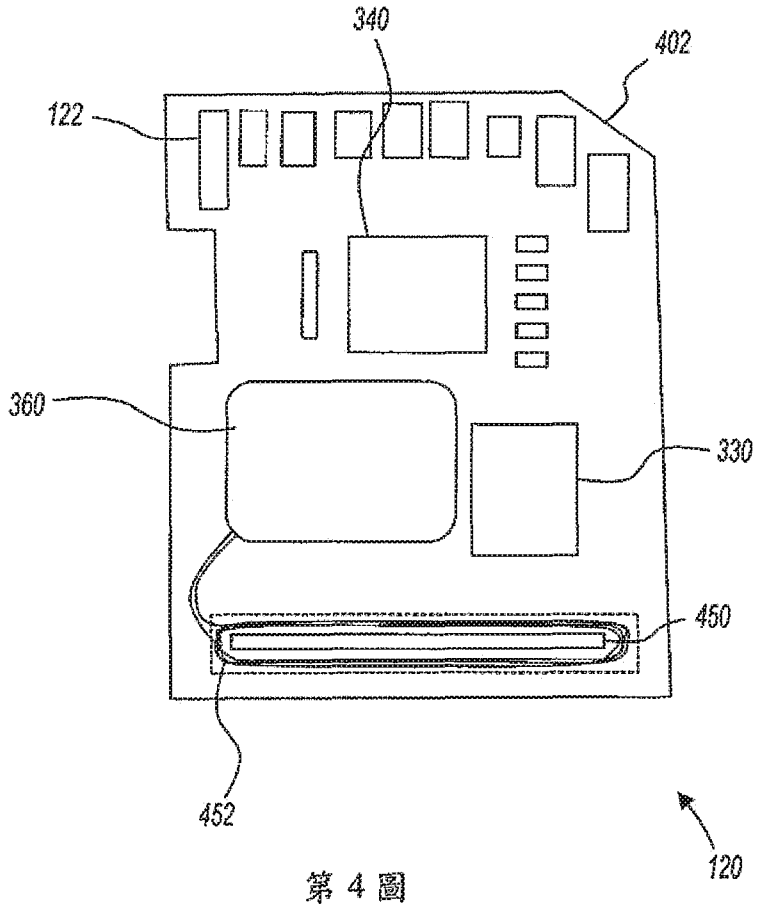


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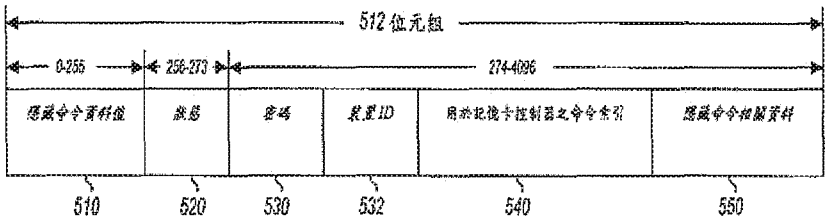


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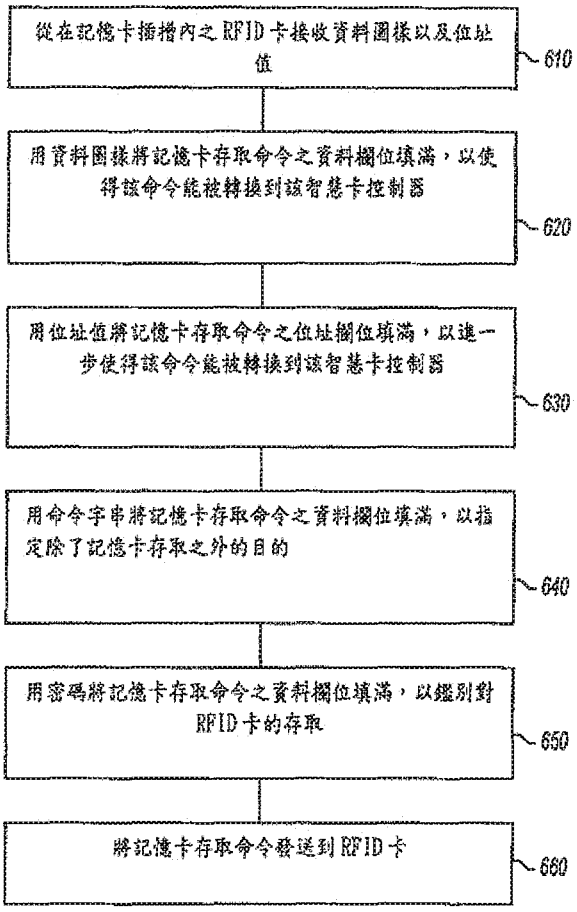


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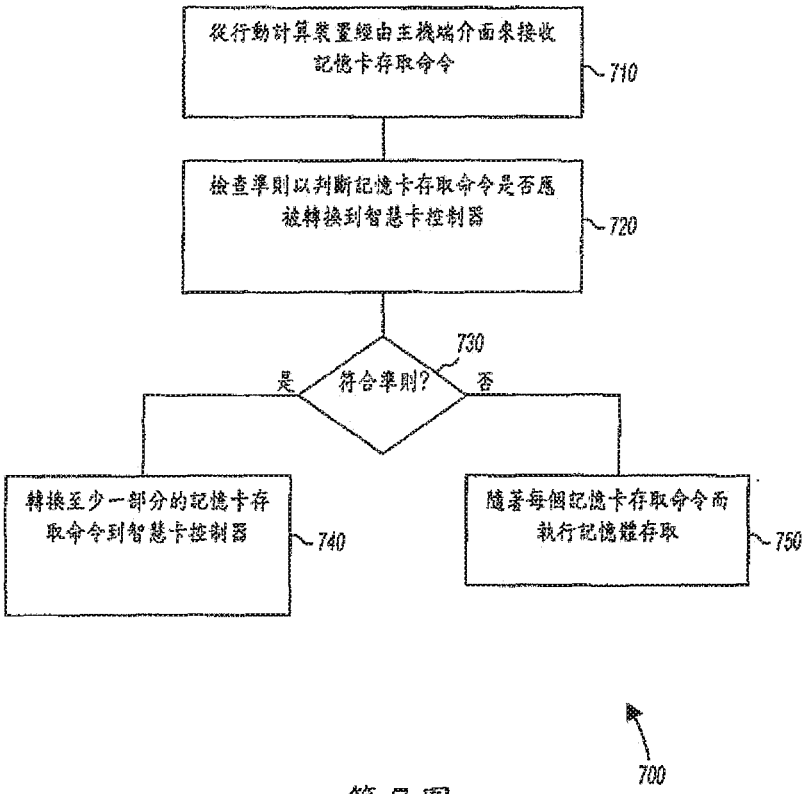
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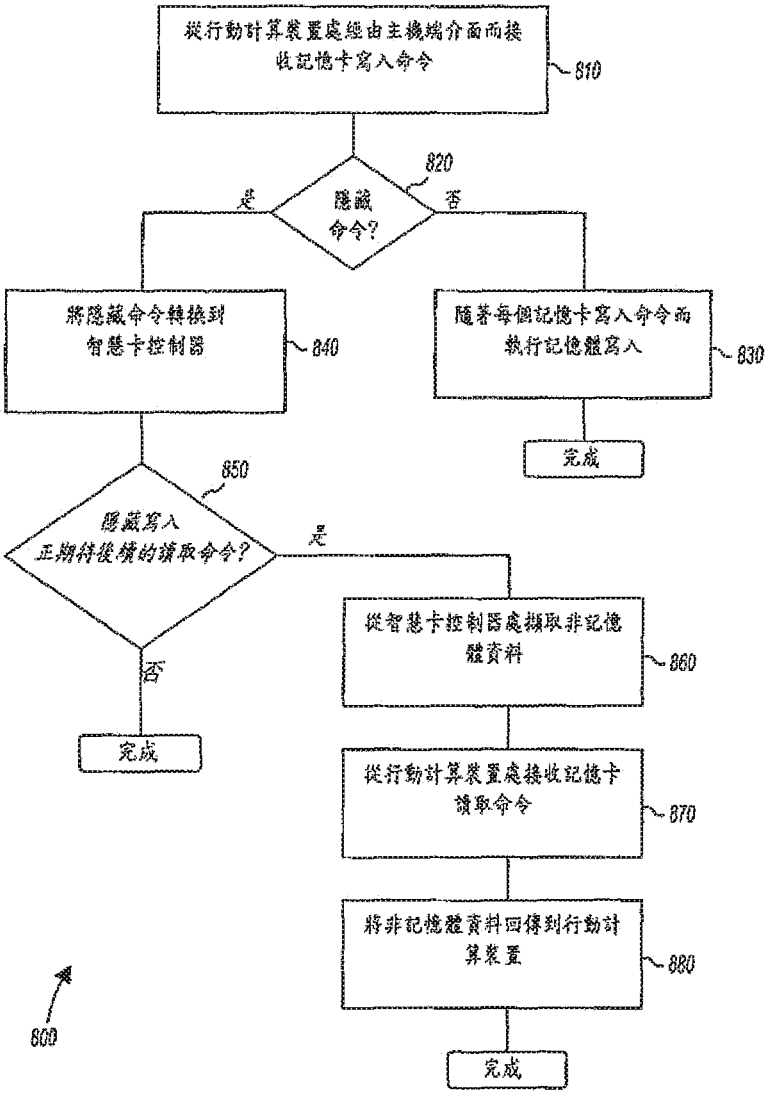
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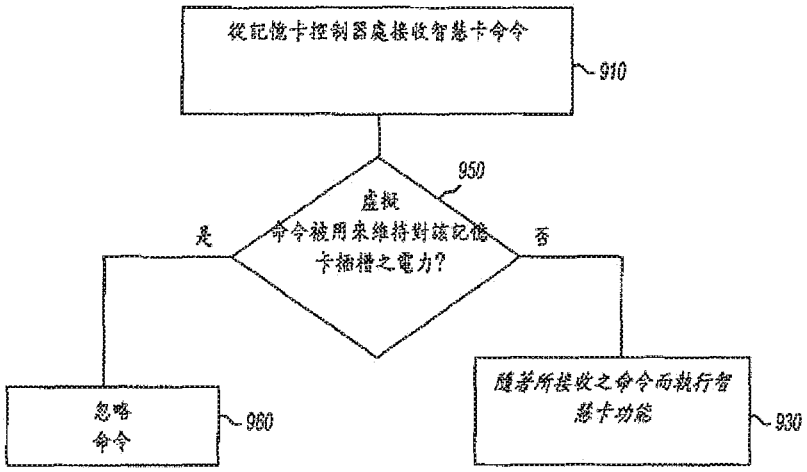
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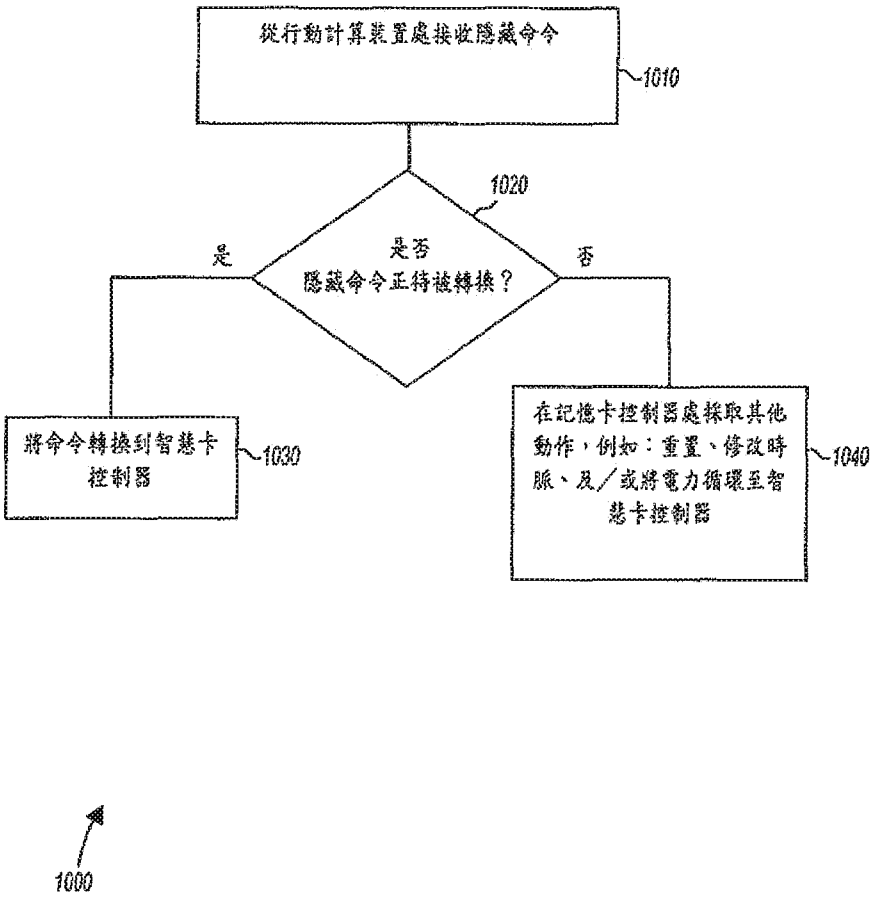
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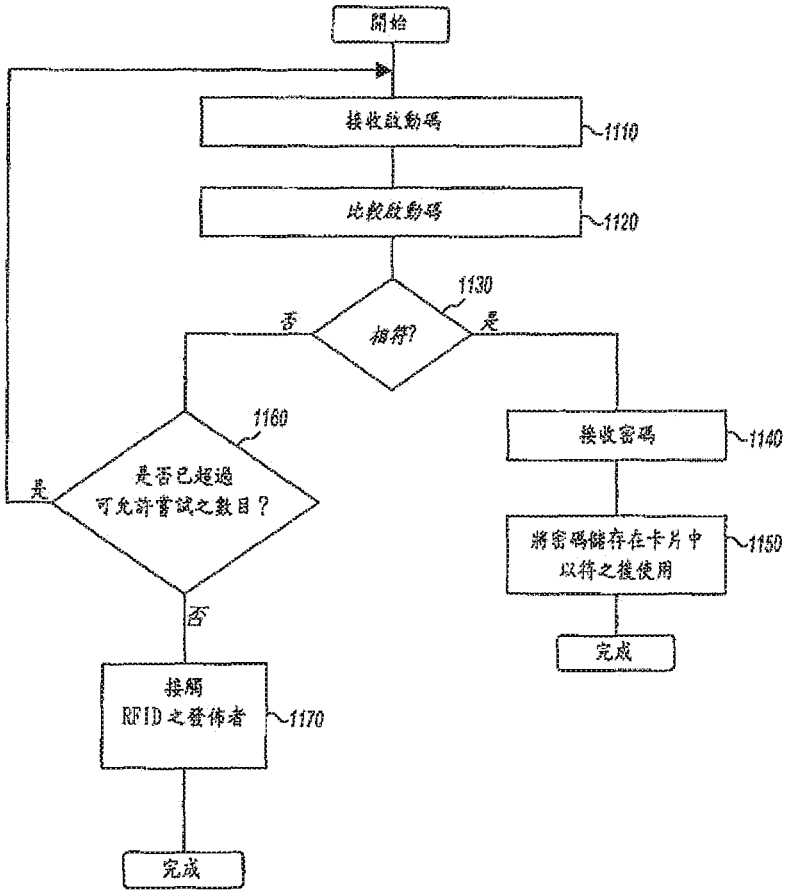
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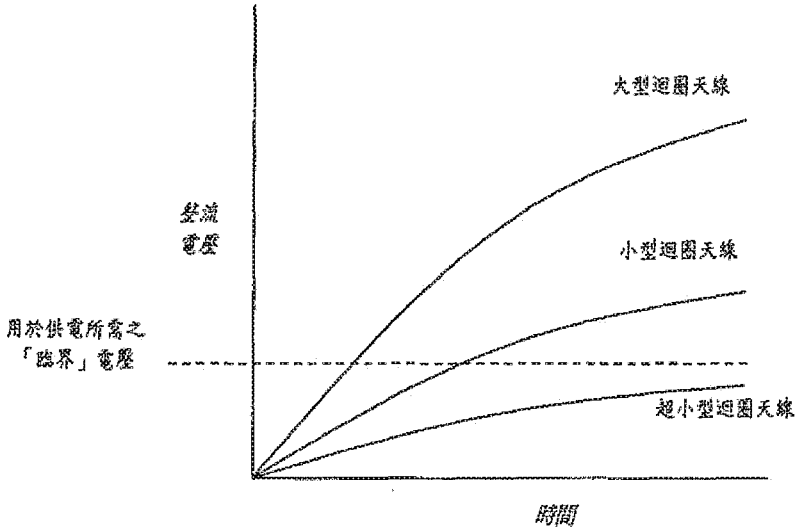
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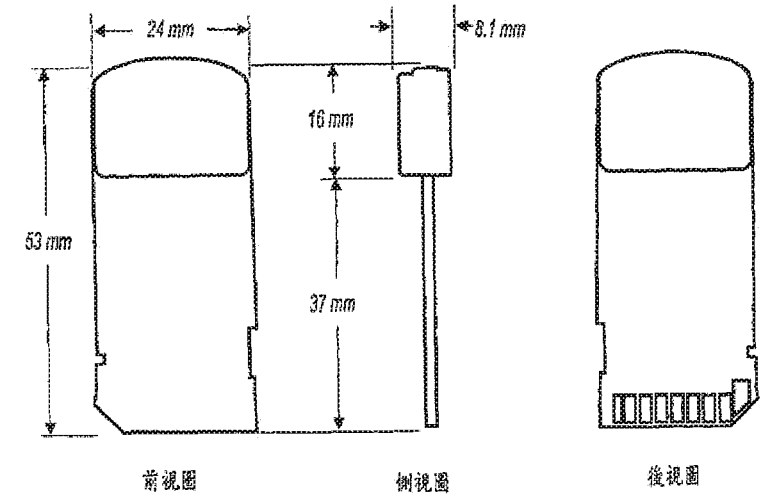


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2a)☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b)☐ This action is non-final.

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) *1,3,4,6,7,9-14,16,17 and 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) *1,3,4,6,7,9-14,16,17 and 20* is/are rejected.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

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11)☒ The drawing(s) filed on *10/17/14* 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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The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

DETAILED ACTION

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 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9-14, 16, 17 and 20 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kowalski (US 8,260,199) in view of Park et al. (US 2005/0224589).

Regarding claim 1: Kowalski discloses a mobile phone comprising a smartcard controller (311); an antenna (AC3) tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz. (col. 9, lines 17-22); and at least one active circuit (LCT2b) coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the at least one active circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65; Figs. 22A-22C); an amplifier to be powered by the mobile device (col. 16, lines 15-20). Kowalski does not disclose the amplifier to amplify the received signal from the antenna. Park et al. (US 2005/0224589) discloses a smart card with an amplifier to amplify the received signal to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller [0052]. It would have been obvious at the time of the invention to amplify the received signal so that the received data may be enhanced for better

communication.

Regarding claim 3: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 4: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 6: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Regarding claim 7: Kowalski discloses a smartcard controller; an antenna tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz (col. 9, lines 17-22); and an amplifier coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 16, lines 15-20). Kowalski does not disclose the amplifier to amplify the received signal from the antenna. Park et al. (US 2005/0224589) discloses a smart card with an amplifier to amplify the received signal to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller [0052]. It would have been obvious at the time of the invention to amplify the received signal so that the received data may be enhanced for better communication.

Regarding claim 9: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 10: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 11: Kowalski discloses the load modulation circuit (RFM) coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna (col. 10, lines 27-40).

Regarding claim 12: Kowalski discloses the at least one active circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 14, lines 16-65).

Regarding claim 13: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Regarding claim 14: See claim 1 above.

Regarding claim 16: Kowalski discloses 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 (the inductive coupling of the antennas are maximize after bringing them together; thus, they are small by themselves)(col. 13, lines 55-61).

Regarding claim 17: Kowalski discloses the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device (col. 12, lines 12-17).

Regarding claim 20: Kowalski discloses the mobile device comprises a mobile phone (col. 14, line 19; Figs. 22A-C).

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see Remarks, filed 2/29/16, with respect to the rejection(s) of claim(s) 1-20 under Kowalski (US 8,260,199) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Park et al. (US 2005/0224589).

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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First Named Inventor	NARENDRA, Siva G			Examiner Name	PHAM, Toan Ngoc		

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Serial No.:	14/517,575	Group Art Unit: 2684
Filed:	October 17, 2014	Docket No.: 115.026US6
Title:	AMPLIFIER AND TRANSMISSION SOLUTION FOR 13.56MHZ RADIO COUPLED TO SMARTCARD CONTROLLER	

SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING AN RCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller that includes load modulation circuitry for half duplex communication by creating at least one frequency sideband about a carrier frequency of an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field;

an antenna tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz; and

at least one active circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the at least one active circuit includes an amplifier coupled to be powered by the mobile device, and wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller, and the at least one active circuit further includes a transmit circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna that in operation forms a signal that mimics the at least one frequency sideband and wherein the signal drives the antenna.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) 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~~ the 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. (Canceled)

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 that includes load modulation circuitry for half duplex communication by creating at least one frequency sideband about a carrier frequency of an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field;

an antenna tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz; ~~and~~

an amplifier coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the amplifier is coupled to be powered by the mobile device, and wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller; and

a transmit circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna that in operation forms a signal that mimics the at least one frequency sideband and wherein the signal drives the antenna.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) 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~~ the 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. (Currently Amended) The mobile device of claim 7 ~~further comprising~~ wherein the transmit circuit comprises a load modulation circuit ~~coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna~~.

12. (Currently Amended) The mobile device of claim 7 ~~further comprising~~ wherein the transmit circuit comprises an active transmit driver ~~circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna~~.

13. (Original) The mobile device of claim 7 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

14. (Currently Amended) A mobile device comprising:

a smartcard controller that includes load modulation circuitry for half duplex communication by creating at least one frequency sideband about a carrier frequency of an interrogating radio frequency (RF) field;

an antenna tuned to operate at 13.56 MHz;

an amplifier coupled to be powered by the mobile device, wherein the amplifier is coupled to amplify a signal received from the antenna and to provide an amplified signal to the smartcard controller; and

an active transmit driver circuit coupled between the smartcard controller and the antenna, wherein the active transmit driver circuit is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The mobile device of claim 14 wherein the antenna comprises an inductive element too small to draw enough power sufficient to operate the smartcard controller from ~~an~~ the interrogating radio frequency (RF) field.

17. (Original) The mobile device of claim 14 wherein the smartcard controller is coupled to be powered by the mobile device.

18-19. (Canceled)

20. (Original) The mobile device of claim 14 wherein the mobile device comprises a mobile phone.

REMARKS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on April 29, 2016, and the references cited therewith. Claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, and 16 are amended, and no claims are canceled or added; as a result, claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9-14, 16, 17, and 20 are now pending in this application.

35 USC § 103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9-14, 16, 17 and 20 were rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kowalski (US 8,260,199) in view of Park et al. (US 2005/0224589).

Independent claims 1, 7, and 14 have been amended to overcome this rejection. Applicant has amended the independent claims to recite the smartcard controller including load modulation circuitry, and the mobile device including transmit circuitry separate from the load modulation circuitry in the smartcard controller. These newly added claim limitations are supported throughout the application as filed, including for example at pg. 3, ll. 13-19, pg.25, ll. 4-28, (1410, FIG. 14, load modulation inside smartcard controller), and (1530, FIG. 15; transmit circuit). Applicant respectfully submits that the combination of references fails to teach this combination. Accordingly, applicant believes independent claims 1, 7, and 14 are in condition for allowance. Further, applicant believes the remaining dependent claims are in condition for allowance at least by virtue of dependency.

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 (971-344-0038) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

By Applicant's Representatives,

Customer Number 35781

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Name/Print	Dana B. LeMoine	Registration Number	40062

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Attorney Docket Number:	115.026US6

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ENTITY: ☒ LARGE ☐ SMALL ☐ MICRO

APPLICATION AS FILED – PART I

FOR	(Column 1) NUMBER FILED	(Column 2) NUMBER EXTRA	RATE ($)	FEE ($)
☐ BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a), (b), or (c))	N/A	N/A	N/A	
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☐ EXAMINATION FEE (37 CFR 1.16(o), (p), or (q))	N/A	N/A	N/A	
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(i))	minus 20 =	*	X $ =	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(h))	minus 3 =	*	X $ =	
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* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.			TOTAL	

APPLICATION AS AMENDED – PART II

AMENDMENT	08/29/2016	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Column 3) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE ($)	ADDITIONAL FEE ($)
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	☐ Application Size Fee (37 CFR 1.16(s))						
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14/517,575	10/17/2014	Siva G. Narendra	115.026US6	1973

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APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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14/517,575	10/17/2014	Siva G. Narendra	115.026US6	1973

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APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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PATENT NO. : 9,483,722

APPLICATION NO.: 14/517,575

ISSUE DATE : November 1, 2016

INVENTOR(S) : Narendra, Siva G., Chakraborty, Saurav, Tadepalli, Prabhakar

It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In the claims, page 44, column 20, line 31, Claim 9, the phrase "further comprising" should be omitted.

9. The mobile device of claim 5 ~~further comprising~~ wherein the transmit circuit comprises an active transmit driver.

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In the Claims

Column 20, Line 31, Claim 9, should read:

9. The mobile device of claim 5 wherein the transmit circuit comprises an active transmit driver.

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RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST (TERMINATION STATEMENT)

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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Title: CFO

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
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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
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MOBILE DEVICE WITH TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/747,770	20150294208	9202156	12/1/2015
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DEVICE WITH CURRENT CARRYING CONDUCTOR TO PRODUCE TIME-VARYING MAGNETIC FIELD	14/948,325	20160086073	9715649	7/25/2017
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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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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
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ENHANCED INTEGRATED CIRCUIT WITH SMARTCARD CONTROLLER	14/460,647	20140353390	8937549	1/20/2015
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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		
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APPLICATION WITH DEVICE SPECIFIC USER INTERFACE	13/591,210	20130303084		
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURE CONSOLIDATION OF CLOUD SERVICES	13/531,342	20130347075		
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MICROUSB ACCESSORY DEVICE WITH ANTENNA	14/843,336	20150380874	9281633	3/8/2016
MICROUSB LIGHTNING DEVICE WITH OFFSET CIRCUIT BOARD	15/053,806	20160181737	9520684	12/13/2016
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