

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		Attorney Docket No. 1032326-001016
		U.S. Application No. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
International Application No. PCT/EP2018/081759	International Filing Date 2018-11-19	Priority Date Claimed 2017-12-29
Title of Invention AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM		
First Named Inventor Fabrice DELHOSTE		
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). NOTE: The express request under 35 U.S.C. 371(f) will not be effective unless the requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2), and (4) for payment of the basic national fee, copy of the International Application and English translation thereof (if required), and the oath or declaration of the inventor(s) have been received. 2. ☒ A copy of the International Application (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (not required if the International Application was previously communicated by the International Bureau or was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)). 3. An English language translation of the International Application (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. ☐ is attached hereto. b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 4. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. ☐ is attached. b. ☐ was previously filed in the international phase under PCT Rule 4.17(iv). <p>Items 5 to 8 below concern amendments made in the international phase.</p> <p><u>PCT Article 19 and 34 amendments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. ☒ Amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 are attached (not required if communicated by the International Bureau) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 6. ☐ English translation of the PCT Article 19 amendment is attached (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 7. ☐ English translation of annexes (Article 19 and/or 34 amendments only) of the International Preliminary Examination Report is attached (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). <p><u>Cancellation of amendments made in the international phase</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8a. ☒ Do not enter the amendment made in the international phase under PCT Article 19. 8b. ☐ Do not enter the amendment made in the international phase under PCT Article 34. <p>NOTE: A proper amendment made in English under Article 19 or 34 will be entered in the U.S. national phase application absent a clear instruction from applicant not to enter the amendment(s).</p> <p>The following items 9 to 17 concern a document(s) or information included.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 10. ☒ A preliminary amendment. 11. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 12. ☐ A substitute specification. NOTE: A substitute specification cannot include claims. See 37 CFR 1.125(b). 13. ☒ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 14. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.3 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 (not required if sequence listing in text format was indicated on the PCT Request as part of the International Application and the sequence listing was published as part of the international application). 15. ☐ Assignment papers (cover sheet and document(s)). Name of Assignee: <u>THALES DIS FRANCE SA</u> 16. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(c) Statement (when there is an Assignee). 		

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Independent claims	4 - 3 =	1	x \$460		\$460.00
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Signature	/James A LaBarre/	Date	June 26, 2020
Name (Print/Type)	James A. LaBarre	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	28,632

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: ~~[[-]]~~ collecting ~~24~~, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; ~~[[-]]~~ constituting ~~28~~, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; ~~[[-]]~~ generating ~~216~~, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; ~~[[-]]~~ sending the generated hash; ~~[[-]]~~ generating ~~220~~, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and ~~[[-]]~~ authenticating ~~224~~ successfully or not ~~223~~ based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step. The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

~~Figure-2~~

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-15 Cancelled.

16. (New) An authentication method comprising:

- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constituting a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
- generating a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm;
- sending the generated hash;
- generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

17. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprises a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, and wherein the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:

- generating a score, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
- comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;

- authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

18. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet.

19. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, the at least one context data element.

20. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping together, according to the authentication policy, at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group.

21. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering the data packet, according to the authentication policy.

22. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function.

23. (New) A first authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy;
- constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
- generate a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm; and
- send the generated hash to a second authentication device.

24. (New) A second authentication device, wherein the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash;
- and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

25. (New) An authentication system, comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy;
- constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
- generate a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm; and
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash;
 - and wherein the second authentication device is configured to:
- receive the generated hash from the first device;

- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash;
and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

REMARKS

The claims presented herein substantively correspond to the claims presented in the Article 19 Amendment submitted in the corresponding international application, having been revised to remove informalities and multiple dependencies. No new matter is introduced by these changes.

Favorable consideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested. Should any questions arise in connection with this application, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; constituting, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; generating, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; sending the generated hash; generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step. The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

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1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims	<u>1-15</u>
	No: Claims	
Inventive step (IS)	Yes: Claims	<u>1-15</u>
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Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes: Claims	<u>1-15</u>
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**Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial
applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1 Independent Claims

1 (method), 11 (apparatus), 13 (apparatus)

Independent claims 11 and 13 define the two authentication apparatuses
deployed in the method of claim 1 and are thus allowable.

2 Basis for amendments

no amendments

3 Prior art; Priority if applicable

D1 EP 2 924 603 A2 (FMR LLC [US]) 30 September 2015 (2015-09-30)

D2 WO 2016/083216 A1 (GEMALTO SA [FR]) 2 June 2016 (2016-06-02)

D3 US 2017/109514 A1 (CHENG HUI [US] ET AL) 20 April 2017
(2017-04-20)

Only D1 teaches a video stream being captured by a camera 103 which is
subsequently decomposed into separate audio/video segments (cap 402,
spoken password "Rosebud", plant 408 and cat 404).

4 Novelty: distinguishing features

- constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a
data packet;
- generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the
data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- sending the generated hash;
- generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance
between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
authenticating (...) based on the generated hash distance

5 Inventive step:

5.1 Closest prior art

D1 EP 2 924 603 A2 (FMR LLC [US]) 30 September 2015
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discloses

An authentication method (20) comprising:

- collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;

(...)

- authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) (...), as an authentication step.

5.2 Technical effect and problem to be solved

Technical security effect: accuracy of authentication

The technical problem means how to modify the closest prior art D1 in order to achieve the specified security effect

5.3 Solution (computer security countermeasure)

constitution of the data packets from the collected context data elements

hash type algorithm and hash distance generation as defined in the distinguishing features

5.4 Why is it inventive

D1 discloses a multi-factor authentication system in which the user is authenticated using his biometrics (facial, body movement, gesture; USER in D1 Fig. 4) and his environment (scene objects cat 404 and plant 408 in D1 Fig. 4) and his knowledge (spoken password "Rosebud" 406 in D1 Fig. 4). The computing device calculates a total score (115 in D1 table 2) of all video segments (which individually define the user biometrics, the user environment or the user knowledge) which is compared against a reference total score (145 in D1 table 2); cf. D1 Table 2.

D1, however, does not disclose nor render obvious to deploy hash functions for this specific purpose nor does it compute hash distances for comparing the sampled audio/video segments with respective reference. D1 table 2 and paragraphs [0035]-[0037] relies on simple numeric comparisons when comparing the sampled audio/video segment against their reference values.

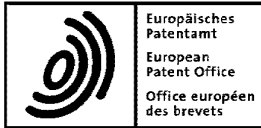
The scope of independent claim 11 does NOT (!!!) encompass the application of a standard hash on data (claim 11: context data element/s) because the data packet(s) first need to be "extracted" from the collected context data elements (see definition of the collect and constitute steps) before the hash is applied on the preprocessed data packet(s) (and not on the context data elements).

6 Further Relevant Information (Art. 82, 83, 84, 52, 53)

The two-part form of the independent claims is not appropriate because it would complicate the wording of the claims.

The above reasoning corresponds to that of the parental application
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(54) **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR USER AUTHENTICATION BASED ON BIOMETRICS, CLOTHES WEARING AND SURROUNDING SCENE**

(57) Methods and apparatuses, including computer program products, are described for authentication using a video signature. A computing device receives a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, e.g. biometrics, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, e.g. an object worn / owned by the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user, e.g. determining geolocation. The computing device analyz-

es one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device calculates a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device compares the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device determines whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

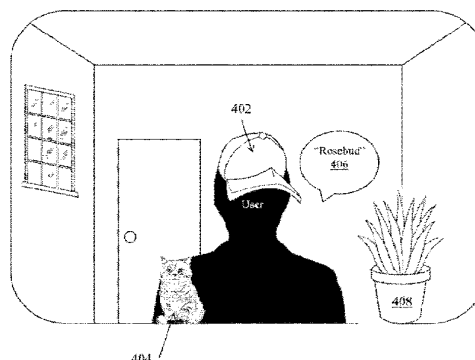


FIG. 4

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Description

[0001] This application relates generally to methods and apparatuses, including computer program products, for authentication using a video signature.

[0002] Typical authentication mechanisms, such as username / password combinations, are susceptible to theft, spoofing, phishing, and other forms of fraudulent activity by impostors seeking access to a user's secure accounts or resources (e.g., websites, documents, databases). More robust authentication techniques, like biometric scanning, have not yet become widely available and can depend significantly on both the type of technology available to a user and the type of technology used by an entity monitoring access to a secure resource.

[0003] Many computing devices, especially mobile devices, are equipped with cameras that can be used to record and transmit video segments (e.g., still images, video clips). Video segments typically incorporate a variety of visual and audio elements that can be used to uniquely identify the video segment in question from other video segments.

[0004] Therefore, what is needed are methods and systems to leverage the video capture capability of computing devices to generate a video signature used in authenticating a user and/or computing device to a secure resource. The techniques described herein provide the advantage of generating a video signature through analysis of a user-created and submitted video segment that includes a plurality of distinct visual and audio elements, where the plurality of elements are analyzed to calculate a total score for the video segment. A video segment, submitted by a user and assigned a score, can be used as a video signature to authenticate subsequent attempts to access the secure resource, e.g., by comparing the visual and audio elements in a later-submitted video segment against the video signature associated with a previously-submitted video segment.

[0005] The invention, in one aspect, features a method for authentication using a video signature. A computing device receives a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computing device analyzes one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device calculates a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device compares the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device determines whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0006] The invention, in another aspect, features a system for authentication using a video signature. The system includes a computing device configured to receive a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computing device is configured to analyze one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device is configured to calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device is configured to compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device is configured to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0007] The invention, in another aspect, features a computer program product, tangibly embodied in a non-transitory computer readable storage medium, for authentication using a video signature. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause a computing device to receive a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to analyze one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0008] In a yet further aspect, the invention relates to a method for authentication using a video signature, the method comprising: receiving, by a computing device from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user; determining, by the computing device, a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual and audio elements; assigning, by the computing device, a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device; calculating, by the computing device, a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the character-

istics; comparing, by the computing device, the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment previously received from the remote device; determining, by the computing device, whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based upon the comparison step; and connecting, by the computing device, the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

[0009] Any of the above aspects can include one or more of the following features. In some embodiments, the analyzing step includes determining one or more characteristics associated with each of the one or more plurality of visual and audio elements, assigning a value to the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device, and storing the values for the characteristics. In some embodiments, the one or more characteristics include a position of a visual element, movement of a visual element, a color of a visual element, a type of a visual element, and an absence of a visual element. In some embodiments, the computing device performs a speech-to-text conversion on an audio element. In some embodiments, values are assigned to the characteristics based upon frequency of appearance within frames of the first video segment. In some embodiments, the predetermined value information is adjusted based upon preferences provided by a user of the computing device.

[0010] In some embodiments, the calculating step includes assigning a weight to one or more of the analyzed elements based upon a security profile at the computing device. In some embodiments, the comparing step further includes comparing the value associated with one of the analyzed elements in the first video segment to a value associated with an analyzed element in the second video segment, and determining a deviation value based upon the comparison of the analyzed element values. In some embodiments, the computing device aggregates the deviation value for the comparisons of each of the analyzed element values and determines whether the aggregated deviation value falls below a predetermined threshold.

[0011] In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes a visual representation of a user of the computing device. In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes an object in proximity to the user of the computing device. In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes a phrase spoken by the user of the computing device.

[0012] In some embodiments, the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the computing device. In some embodiments, the computing device is a mobile device. In some embodiments, the secure resource is a website.

[0013] Other aspects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, illustrating the principles of the invention by way of example only.

[0014] The advantages of the invention described above, together with further advantages, may be better understood by referring to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings. The drawings are not necessarily to scale, emphasis instead generally being placed upon illustrating the principles of the invention.

FIG. 1 is a block diagram of a system for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a system for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 3 is a flow diagram of a method for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 4 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment to be analyzed to generate a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 5 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 6 is a diagram of another exemplary video segment to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

[0015] FIG. 1 is a block diagram of a system 100 for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. The system 100 includes a client computing device 102, a camera device 103 coupled to client device 102, a communications network 104, a server computing device 106 that includes a video signature authentication module 108, and a database 110.

[0016] The client device 102 connects to the server computing device 106 via the communications network 104 in order to authenticate a video signature captured by the client device 102. Exemplary client devices include desktop computers, laptop computers, tablets, mobile devices, smartphones, and internet appliances. It should be appreciated that other types of computing devices that are capable of connecting to the server computing device 106 can be used without departing from the scope of invention. Although FIG. 1 depicts one client device 102, it should be appreciated that the system 100 can include any number of client devices.

[0017] A camera device 103 is coupled to client device 102. The camera device can be any type of digital video camera (e.g., webcam) that is capable of capturing and transmitting video images of the user and/or the client device 102. As will be described in greater detail below, the camera device is configured to capture images of the user and the area

surrounding the user for purposes of performing authentication of the user and/or the client device. In some embodiments, the camera device 103 is embedded in the client device 102, for example, a smartphone with an integrated camera or a laptop computer with an integrated webcam. Although FIG. 1 depicts one camera device 103, it should be understood that the system 100 can include any number of camera devices.

[0018] The communication network 104 enables the client device 102 to communicate with the server computing device 106 in order to perform authentication procedures. The network 104 may be a local network, such as a LAN, or a wide area network, such as the Internet and/or a cellular network. In some embodiments, the network 104 is comprised of several discrete networks and/or sub-networks (e.g., cellular → Internet) that enable the client device 102 to communicate with the server computing device 106. It should be understood that the client device 102 can connect to the server computing device 106 via a wireless network (e.g., Bluetooth, WiFi, and so forth).

[0019] The server computing device 106 is a combination of hardware and software modules that authenticates a video signature captured by the client device 102 and enables access by the client device to a secure resource. The server computing device 106 includes a video signature authentication module 108. The module 108 is a hardware and/or software module that resides on the server computing device 106 to perform functions associated with authenticating the video signature provided by the client device 102. In some embodiments, the functionality of the module 108 is distributed among a plurality of computing devices. It should be appreciated that any number of computing devices, arranged in a variety of architectures, resources, and configurations (e.g., cluster computing, virtual computing, cloud computing) can be used without departing from the scope of the invention.

[0020] The system 100 also includes a database 110. The database 110 is coupled to the server computing device 106 and stores data used by the server computing device 106 to perform the video signature authentication functionality. The database 110 can be integrated with the server computing device 106 or be located on a separate computing device. An example database that can be used with the system 100 is MySQL™ available from Oracle Corp. of Redwood City, California.

[0021] FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a system 200 for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. The system 200 of FIG. 2 is similar to the system 100 of FIG. 1; the system 200 includes client device 102, a camera device 103 coupled to client device 102, and a database 110. In FIG. 2, however, the client computing device 102 includes the video signature authentication module 108, enabling the client device to perform video signature authentication locally (i.e., without requiring traversal of the communications network 104 of FIG. 1). As shown in FIG. 2, the camera device 103 is embedded within the client device 102. It should be appreciated that other configurations of the client device 102 and camera device are contemplated within the scope of invention, such as a camera device 103 wirelessly connected to the client device 102.

[0022] FIG. 3 is a flow diagram of a method 300 for authentication using a video signature, using the system 100 of FIG. 1. It should be appreciated that the system 200 of FIG. 2 can also be used to perform the method 300 depicted in FIG. 3.

[0023] The server computing device 106 receives (302) a request to access a secure resource. In one example, a secure resource is a website or other service that is protected from public access and requires the submission and verification of authentication credentials by a user seeking access to the secure resource. The process of authenticating the user involves verifying the user's identity.

[0024] For example, a user of client device 102 can navigate to a financial institution's website in order to log in to his or her account. Typically, such websites require that the user provides a form of authentication credential (e.g., username/password, token, and the like) before the user is granted access to the secure portions of the website where account information is available. It should be appreciated that other types of secure resources (e.g., databases, files, software) are included within the scope of invention.

[0025] As described herein, instead of or in addition to traditional authentication credentials, the server computing device 106 receives a new type of credential: a video segment captured by the client device 102 (e.g., using camera device 103 coupled to client device 102). Because video segments are multifaceted (i.e., typically including visual and audio elements), they can advantageously be used to generate a video signature - that is, a collection of distinct visual and audio elements represented in the video segment that are used to identify the associated user and can be compared to other video segments submitted by the user to authenticate the user's identity and allow access to the system.

[0026] The request to access a secure resource includes the captured video segment which comprises a plurality of visual and audio elements. Continuing with the above example, upon reaching the login page of the financial institution's website, the client device 102 captures a video segment and transmits the video segment to the server computing device as part of the authentication process. In some embodiments, the video segment is a single frame (i.e., image) or set of frames of video data captured by the camera device 103 that is used by the server computing device 106 to authenticate the user and/or the client device 102. The video segment can include any number of visual and audio elements that, when analyzed together, comprise the video signature for the video segment.

[0027] FIG. 4 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment 400 to be analyzed to generate a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 4, the video segment comprises a video of the user wearing a

baseball cap 402, holding a cat 404, saying the word "Rosebud" 406, with a potted plant 408 in the corner of the room. Each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406 and 408 are used by the system 100 during the video signature authentication process. In addition, other elements of the video segment can be used for authentication, such as the user himself, apparel that the user is wearing, elements of the room (e.g., door, window), and so forth. For example, the module 108 can use facial recognition techniques to analyze the user and the result of such facial recognition methodology can be used as part of the total score for the video segment (as described in greater detail below). Other examples include voice recognition technology to analyze the user's speech patterns, speech-to-text conversion technology to isolate audio cues and/or spoken words within the video segment, and motion detection technology to track movement of the user and/or objects within the scene of the video segment. For example, if the user nods his head during the video segment, the module 108 can analyze the speed, position, and timing of the head movement as part of the overall analysis process described below.

[0028] Continuing with the method 300 of FIG. 3, the video signature authentication module 108 of server computing device 106 analyzes (304) one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406, 408 in the first video segment 400 to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. As can be appreciated, the module 108 uses image and audio analysis algorithms / techniques to extract the various visual and audio elements from the video segment. For example, the module 108 can extract the shape of the baseball cap 402 from the video segment (or a single image of the video segment) and compare it to a database (e.g., database 110) of known shapes to determine a match. The module 108 can also analyze other characteristics associated with the visual and audio elements as part of the authentication process - such as color, position, and movement. For example, the module 108 determines that the baseball cap 402 is green and is positioned on top of the user's head.

[0029] Also, one or more of the visual and audio elements in the video segment can be assigned multiple values based upon different characteristics of the respective element. For example, the module 108 assigns the baseball cap a first value based upon its color (e.g., green) and assigns the baseball cap a second value based upon its position (e.g., on top of the user's head).

[0030] In some embodiments, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406, 408 represented in the video segment during the analysis step. Table One below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406 and 408:

TABLE ONE

Visual / Audio Element	Assigned Value
Baseball cap	10
Green baseball cap	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20
Cat	10
White cat	15
Holding cat in right hand	20
Saying "Rosebud"	25
Potted plant	10
Plant in back corner of room	20
TOTAL SCORE	145

[0031] After analyzing the video segment, the server computing device 106 calculates (306) a total score for the first video segment 400 based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. As shown in the table above, the total score for the video segment 400 is 145, based upon the summation of the individual visual and audio elements analyzed by the module 108. In some embodiments, certain visual and/or audio elements are weighted differently according to a predetermined security profile selected by the user and/or assigned by the module 108. For example, a financial institution may want to weigh the audio element 406 more heavily in the total score than a visual element (e.g., 408) because the institution can utilize speech recognition technology to identify the user with great precision (e.g., it may be harder for an impostor to duplicate a video segment that includes an audio element spoken by the user).

[0032] The module 108 stores the video segment and the associated values for each of the analyzed visual and audio elements in a database 110. The module 108 associates the stored data as a video signature for the particular user that

submitted the video segment. Thus, the first time a video segment is submitted for analysis by client device 102, the module 108 stores the video segment and associated values as the video signature against which future video segment submissions from the user / client device are compared, similar to a username / password combination provided by a user.

[0033] When a user subsequently attempts to authenticate and gain access to a secure resource after providing a video segment, the module 108 compares (308) the total score for the earlier-provided video segment (i.e., the video segment that has been analyzed and stored by the system as described above) to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the client device 102 and/or user in order to identify and authenticate the user. For example, during a subsequent request to authenticate to the server computing device 106 and access a secure resource, the client device 102 submits a new video segment which is then analyzed by the module 108 (as previously described). In order to successfully authenticate, the total score of the newly-submitted video segment as calculated by the module 108 meets or exceeds a predetermined threshold when compared to the previously-stored video segment (e.g., segment 400).

[0034] FIG. 5 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment 500 to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 5, the same user from FIG. 4 is present in the video segment. The video segment 500 includes a plurality of video and audio elements 502, 504, 506, 508: the user has an orange baseball cap 502 on top of his head, is holding a white cat 504 in his right hand, and is speaking the word "Roseburg" 506. Also, a potted plant 508 is positioned in the rear corner of the room.

[0035] The module 108 receives the video segment 500 from the client device 102 and analyzes the video segment 500 in the same manner as described previously. For example, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506, 508 represented in the video segment 500. During this process, the values assigned to the elements 502, 504, 506, 508 are further scaled by comparing them to the same elements 402, 404, 406, 408 as analyzed in the previously-stored video segment 400. Table Two below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506 and 508 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400:

TABLE TWO

Visual / Audio Element (Second Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
Baseball cap	10	Baseball cap	10
Orange baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20	Baseball cap on user's head	20
Cat	10	Cat	10
White cat	15	White cat	15
Holding cat in right hand	20	Holding cat in right hand	20
Saying "Roseburg"	10	Saying "Rosebud"	25
Potted plant	10	Potted plant	10
Plant in back corner of room	20	Plant in back corner of room	20
TOTAL SCORE	115	TOTAL SCORE	145

[0036] The module 108 determines a total score for the second video segment 500 to be one-hundred fifteen. The total score for the second video segment 500 is lower than the score for the previously-stored video segment 400 due to two main differences: a) the user is wearing an orange baseball cap, not a green cap; and b) the user is speaking the word "Roseburg" instead of "Rosebud." The differences result in the module 108 assigning a lower value to those two elements of the second video segment 500 (i.e., because they do not match the same characteristics of the elements as represented in the first video segment 400).

[0037] The module 108 determines (310) whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step. As shown in the table above, the module 108 determines that the total score for the second video segment 500 is within thirty points of the total score for the first video segment 400 (i.e., one-hundred fifteen to one-hundred forty-five). As a result, the module 108 can determine that the total score for the second segment 500 is sufficient to satisfy a predetermined threshold for permitting access to the secure resource. For example, the module 108 may determine that any total score for a submitted video segment that exceeds one hundred is sufficient to permit access.

[0038] In some embodiments, the user can provide certain scoring parameters or thresholds that provide some flexibility

in the visual and audio elements required to be present in video segments submitted for authentication. For example, the user may prefer that the color of the baseball cap 402 is not used during the analysis and authentication process - so that he can wear any baseball cap he might have available and still be able to authenticate to the system.

[0039] In some embodiments, the module 108 evaluates each of the visual and audio elements individually as part of the determination process to calculate a deviation value for the respective elements. For example, the module 108 may determine that, because only two of the nine values for the visual and audio elements in the second video segment 500 fall more than ten points below the corresponding elements in the first video segment 400 (i.e., a deviation value of ten), the second video segment 500 is sufficient to authenticate the user / client device 102. In another example, the module 108 may require that every visual and audio element in the second video segment 500 fall within at least eight points of the corresponding element in the first video segment 400 in order to permit access to the secure resource. Table Three below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506 and 508 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400, including a deviation value for each element comparison:

TABLE THREE

Visual / Audio Element (Second Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Deviation Value
Baseball cap	10	Baseball cap	10	0
Orange baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20	Baseball cap on user's head	20	0
Cat	10	Cat	10	0
White cat	15	White cat	15	0
Holding cat in right hand	20	Holding cat in right hand	20	0
Saying "Roseburg"	10	Saying "Rosebud"	25	15
Potted plant	10	Potted plant	10	0
Plant in back corner of room	20	Plant in back corner of room	20	0
TOTAL SCORE	115	TOTAL SCORE	145	

[0040] The aggregate deviation value between the elements of the two video segments is thirty, while the average deviation value is 3.33. In some examples, the module 108 can use the average deviation value to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted while in other examples, the aggregated deviation value can be used. As can be appreciated, a variety of scoring and comparison techniques can be used without departing from the scope of the invention.

[0041] FIG. 6 is a diagram of another exemplary video segment 600 to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 6, the third video segment 600 includes a plurality of video and audio elements 604, 606, 608: a person is holding a white cat 604 in his left hand and is speaking the words "Play it again" 606. Also, a coat rack 608 is positioned in the rear corner of the room. The person in FIG. 6 is not wearing a hat.

[0042] The module 108 receives the third video segment 600 from the client device 102 and analyzes the video segment 600 in the same manner as described previously. For example, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 604, 606, 608 represented in the video segment 600. During this process, the values assigned to the elements 604, 606, 608 are further scaled by comparing them to the same elements 402, 404, 406, 408 as analyzed in the previously-stored video segment 400. Table Four below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 604, 606, 608 in video segment 600 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400:

TABLE FOUR

Visual / Audio Element (Third Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
No baseball cap	0	Baseball cap	10
No baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15

(continued)

	Visual / Audio Element (Third Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
5	No baseball cap	0	Baseball cap on user's head	20
	Cat	10	Cat	10
	White cat	15	White cat	15
10	Holding cat in left hand	5	Holding cat in right hand	20
	Saying "Play it again"	0	Saying "Rosebud"	25
	Coat rack	0	Potted plant	10
	Coat rack in back corner of room	5	Plant in back corner of room	20
15	TOTAL SCORE	35	TOTAL SCORE	145

[0043] The module 108 determines a total score for the third video segment 600 to be thirty-five. The total score for the third video segment 600 is significantly lower than the score for the previously-stored video segment 400 due to many differences between the two segments: a) the absence of a baseball cap, b) the cat positioned in the wrong hand, c) the person speaking the wrong phrase, and d) the wrong object being positioned in the corner of the room. In this example, an impostor may be trying to gain access to the secure resource by attempting to pass himself off as the user by submitting a fraudulent video segment (just as someone may attempt to learn a user's password by making attempts using random character strings). Because the total score for the third video segment 600 is far below the total score for the first video segment 400, the module 108 denies the request to access the secure resource and does not authenticate the person / client device 102 to the system.

[0044] In some embodiments, if the submitted video segment does not meet or exceed a predetermined threshold for permitting access to the secure resource, the module 108 can offer other authentication means to the user so that such access may be granted. For example, the module 108 can prompt the user and/or client device 102 for an auxiliary authentication credential (e.g., biometric information, device footprint, token, public/private key information, and the like) in order to verify the identity of the user.

[0045] The above-described techniques can be implemented in digital and/or analog electronic circuitry, or in computer hardware, firmware, software, or in combinations of them. The implementation can be as a computer program product, i.e., a computer program tangibly embodied in a machine-readable storage device, for execution by, or to control the operation of, a data processing apparatus, e.g., a programmable processor, a computer, and/or multiple computers. A computer program can be written in any form of computer or programming language, including source code, compiled code, interpreted code and/or machine code, and the computer program can be deployed in any form, including as a stand-alone program or as a subroutine, element, or other unit suitable for use in a computing environment. A computer program can be deployed to be executed on one computer or on multiple computers at one or more sites.

[0046] Method steps can be performed by one or more processors executing a computer program to perform functions of the invention by operating on input data and/or generating output data. Method steps can also be performed by, and an apparatus can be implemented as, special purpose logic circuitry, e.g., a FPGA (field programmable gate array), a FPAA (field-programmable analog array), a CPLD (complex programmable logic device), a PSoC (Programmable System-on-Chip), ASIP (application-specific instruction-set processor), or an ASIC (application-specific integrated circuit), or the like. Subroutines can refer to portions of the stored computer program and/or the processor, and/or the special circuitry that implement one or more functions.

[0047] Processors suitable for the execution of a computer program include, by way of example, both general and special purpose microprocessors, and any one or more processors of any kind of digital or analog computer. Generally, a processor receives instructions and data from a read-only memory or a random access memory or both. The essential elements of a computer are a processor for executing instructions and one or more memory devices for storing instructions and/or data. Memory devices, such as a cache, can be used to temporarily store data. Memory devices can also be used for long-term data storage. Generally, a computer also includes, or is operatively coupled to receive data from or transfer data to, or both, one or more mass storage devices for storing data, e.g., magnetic, magneto-optical disks, or optical disks. A computer can also be operatively coupled to a communications network in order to receive instructions and/or data from the network and/or to transfer instructions and/or data to the network. Computer-readable storage mediums suitable for embodying computer program instructions and data include all forms of volatile and non-volatile memory, including by way of example semiconductor memory devices, e.g., DRAM, SRAM, EPROM, EEPROM, and flash memory devices; magnetic disks, e.g., internal hard disks or removable disks; magneto-optical disks; and optical

disks, e.g., CD, DVD, HD-DVD, and Blu-ray disks. The processor and the memory can be supplemented by and/or incorporated in special purpose logic circuitry.

[0048] To provide for interaction with a user, the above described techniques can be implemented on a computing device in communication with a display device, e.g., a CRT (cathode ray tube), plasma, or LCD (liquid crystal display) monitor, a mobile device display or screen, a holographic device and/or projector, for displaying information to the user and a keyboard and a pointing device, e.g., a mouse, a trackball, a touchpad, or a motion sensor, by which the user can provide input to the computer (e.g., interact with a user interface element). Other kinds of devices can be used to provide for interaction with a user as well; for example, feedback provided to the user can be any form of sensory feedback, e.g., visual feedback, auditory feedback, or tactile feedback; and input from the user can be received in any form, including acoustic, speech, and/or tactile input.

[0049] The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes a back-end component. The back-end component can, for example, be a data server, a middleware component, and/or an application server. The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes a front-end component. The front-end component can, for example, be a client computer having a graphical user interface, a Web browser through which a user can interact with an example implementation, and/or other graphical user interfaces for a transmitting device. The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes any combination of such back-end, middleware, or front-end components.

[0050] The components of the computing system can be interconnected by transmission medium, which can include any form or medium of digital or analog data communication (e.g., a communication network). Transmission medium can include one or more packet-based networks and/or one or more circuit-based networks in any configuration. Packet-based networks can include, for example, the Internet, a carrier internet protocol (IP) network (e.g., local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), campus area network (CAN), metropolitan area network (MAN), home area network (HAN)), a private IP network, an IP private branch exchange (IPBX), a wireless network (e.g., radio access network (RAN), Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, WiMAX, 3G, 4G, 4G LTE, 5G, general packet radio service (GPRS) network, HiperLAN), and/or other packet-based networks. Circuit-based networks can include, for example, the public switched telephone network (PSTN), a legacy private branch exchange (PBX), a wireless network (e.g., RAN, code-division multiple access (CDMA) network, time division multiple access (TDMA) network, global system for mobile communications (GSM) network), and/or other circuit-based networks.

[0051] Information transfer over transmission medium can be based on one or more communication protocols. Communication protocols can include, for example, Ethernet protocol, Internet Protocol (IP), Voice over IP (VOIP), a Peer-to-Peer (P2P) protocol, Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), H.323, Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP), Signaling System #7 (SS7), a Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) protocol, a Push-to-Talk (PTT) protocol, a PTT over Cellular (POC) protocol, Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS), 3GPP Long Term Evolution (LTE) and/or other communication protocols.

[0052] Devices of the computing system can include, for example, a computer, a computer with a browser device, a telephone, an IP phone, a mobile device (e.g., cellular phone, personal digital assistant (PDA) device, smart phone, tablet, laptop computer, electronic mail device), and/or other communication devices. The browser device includes, for example, a computer (e.g., desktop computer and/or laptop computer) with a World Wide Web browser (e.g., Chrome™ from Google, Inc., Microsoft® Internet Explorer® available from Microsoft Corporation, and/or Mozilla® Firefox available from Mozilla Corporation). Mobile computing device include, for example, a Blackberry® from Research in Motion, an iPhone® from Apple Corporation, and/or an Android™-based device. IP phones include, for example, a Cisco® Unified IP Phone 7985G and/or a Cisco® Unified Wireless Phone 7920 available from Cisco Systems, Inc.

[0053] Comprise, include, and/or plural forms of each are open ended and include the listed parts and can include additional parts that are not listed. And/or is open ended and includes one or more of the listed parts and combinations of the listed parts.

[0054] One skilled in the art will realize the invention may be embodied in other specific forms without departing from the spirit or essential characteristics thereof. The foregoing embodiments are therefore to be considered in all respects illustrative rather than limiting of the invention described herein.

Claims

1. A method for authentication using a video signature, the method comprising:

receiving, by a computing device from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual

elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user;
determining, by the computing device, a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual
and audio elements;
5 assigning, by the computing device, a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value
information stored by the computing device;
calculating, by the computing device, a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated
with each of the characteristics;
10 comparing, by the computing device, the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a
second video segment previously received from the remote device;
determining, by the computing device, whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based
upon the comparison step; and
connecting, by the computing device, the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

15 storing, by the computing device, the values for each of the characteristics in a database coupled to the computing
device.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein the plurality of characteristics includes at least two of:

20 a position of a visual element, movement of a visual element, a color of a visual element, a type of a visual
element, and an absence of a visual element.

4. The method of any preceding claim, further comprising performing, by the computing device, a speech-to-text
25 conversion on an audio element.

5. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the values are assigned to the characteristics based upon frequency
of appearance within frames of the first video segment.

30 6. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the predetermined value information is adjusted based upon preferences
received from the remote device.

7. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the calculating step includes assigning, by the computing device, a
weight to one or more of the characteristics based upon a security profile at the computing device.

35 8. The method of any preceding claim, the comparing step further comprising:

40 comparing, by the computing device, the value associated with one of the characteristics in the first video
segment to a value associated with a corresponding characteristic of the same element in the second video
segment; and
determining, by the computing device, a deviation value based upon the comparison of the characteristic values.

9. The method of claim 8, further comprising:

45 aggregating, by the computing device, the deviation value for the comparisons of each of the characteristic
values; and
determining, by the computing device, whether the aggregated deviation value falls below a predetermined
threshold.

50 10. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the plurality of visual and audio elements include a phrase spoken by
the user.

11. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the
remote device.

55 12. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the remote device is a mobile device.

13. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the secure resource is a website.

14. A system for authentication using a video signature, the system comprising a computing device configured to:

5 receive, from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user;

determine a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual and audio elements;

10 assign a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device;

calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the characteristics;

compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment previously received from the remote device;

15 determine whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based upon the comparison step;

and

connect the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

15. The system of claim 14, wherein the computing device is further configured to:

20 store the values for each of the characteristics in a database coupled to the computing device.

16. The system of claim 14 or 15, wherein the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the remote device.

25 17. The system of claim 14, 15 or 16, wherein the remote device is a mobile device.

30 18. A computer program product, tangibly embodied in a non-transitory computer readable storage medium, for authentication using a video signature, the computer program product including instructions operable to cause a computing device to: carry out a method according to any of claims 1 to 13.

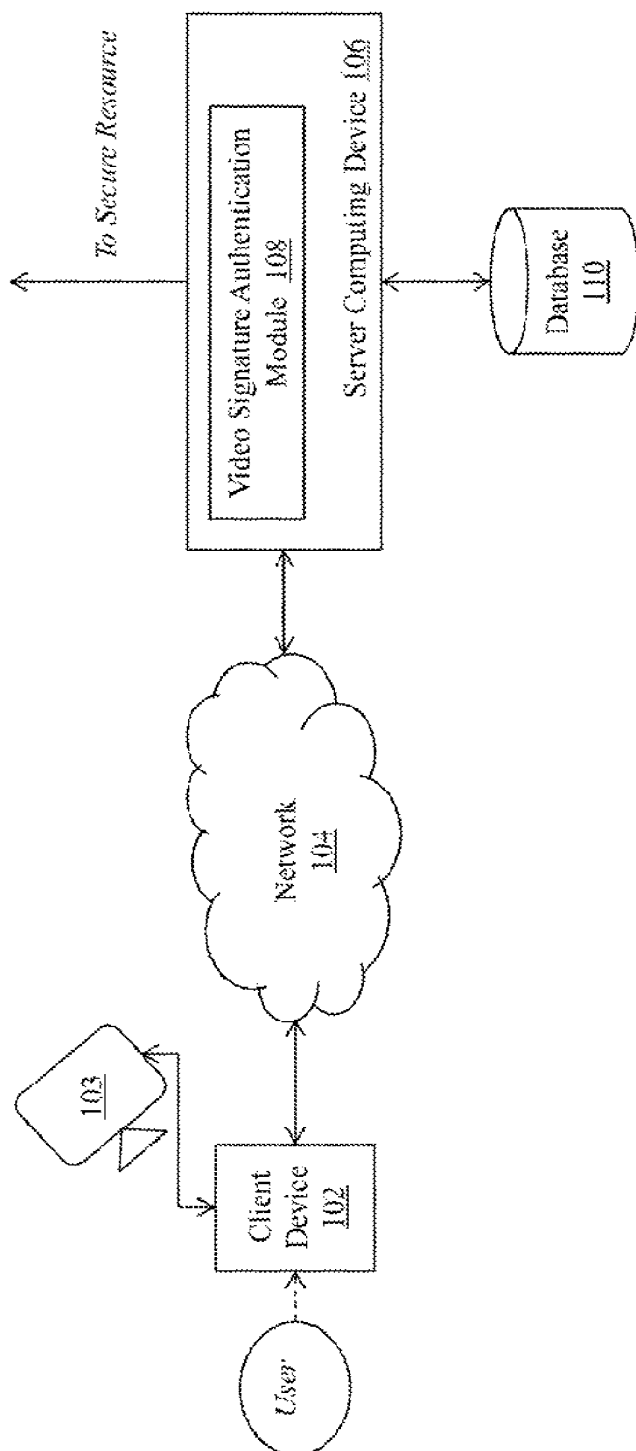


FIG. 1

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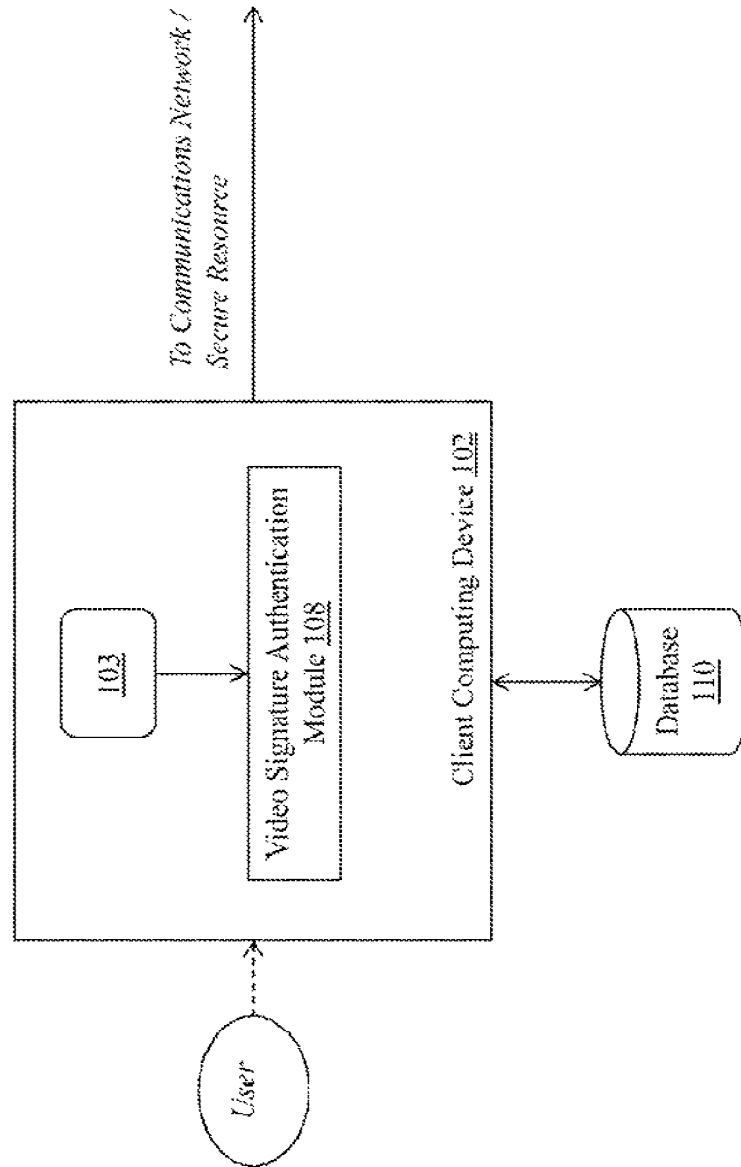


FIG. 2

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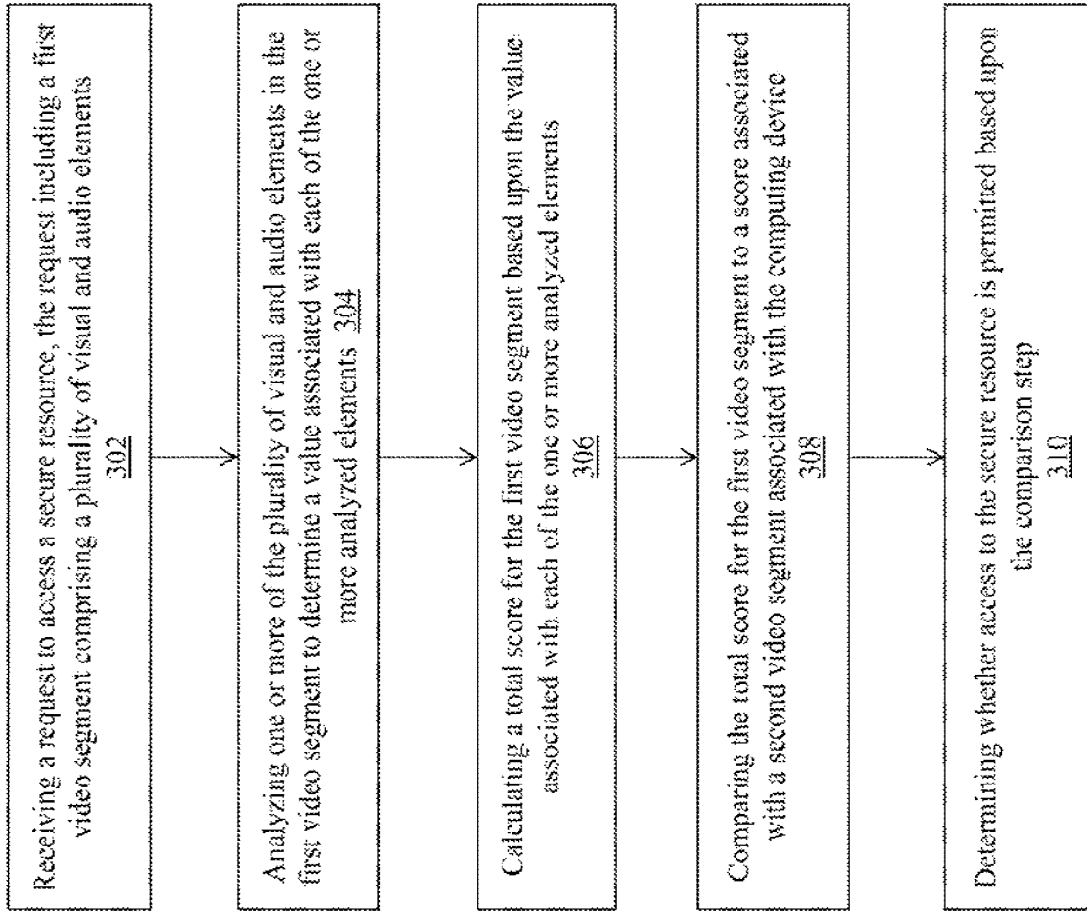


FIG. 3

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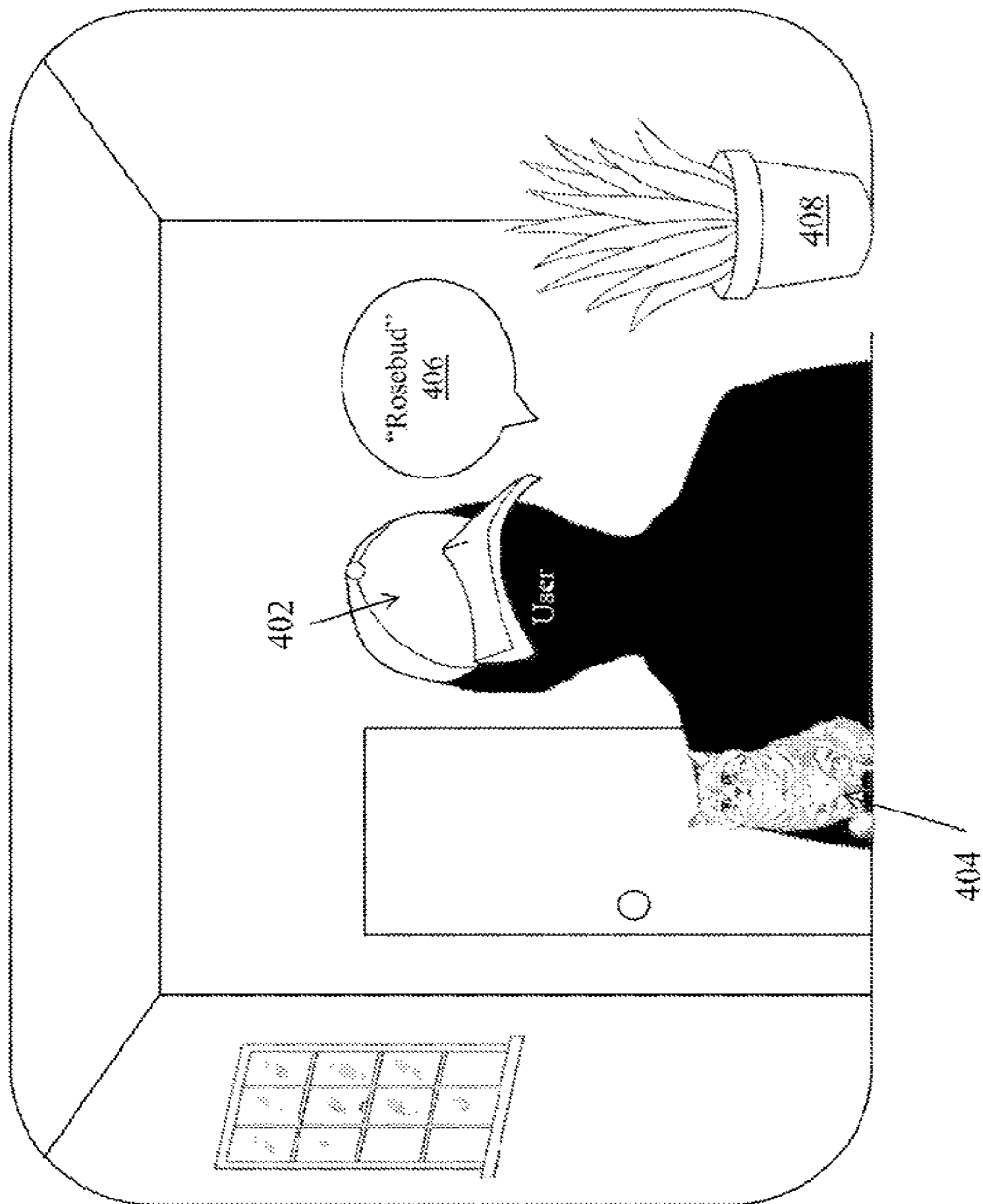


FIG. 4

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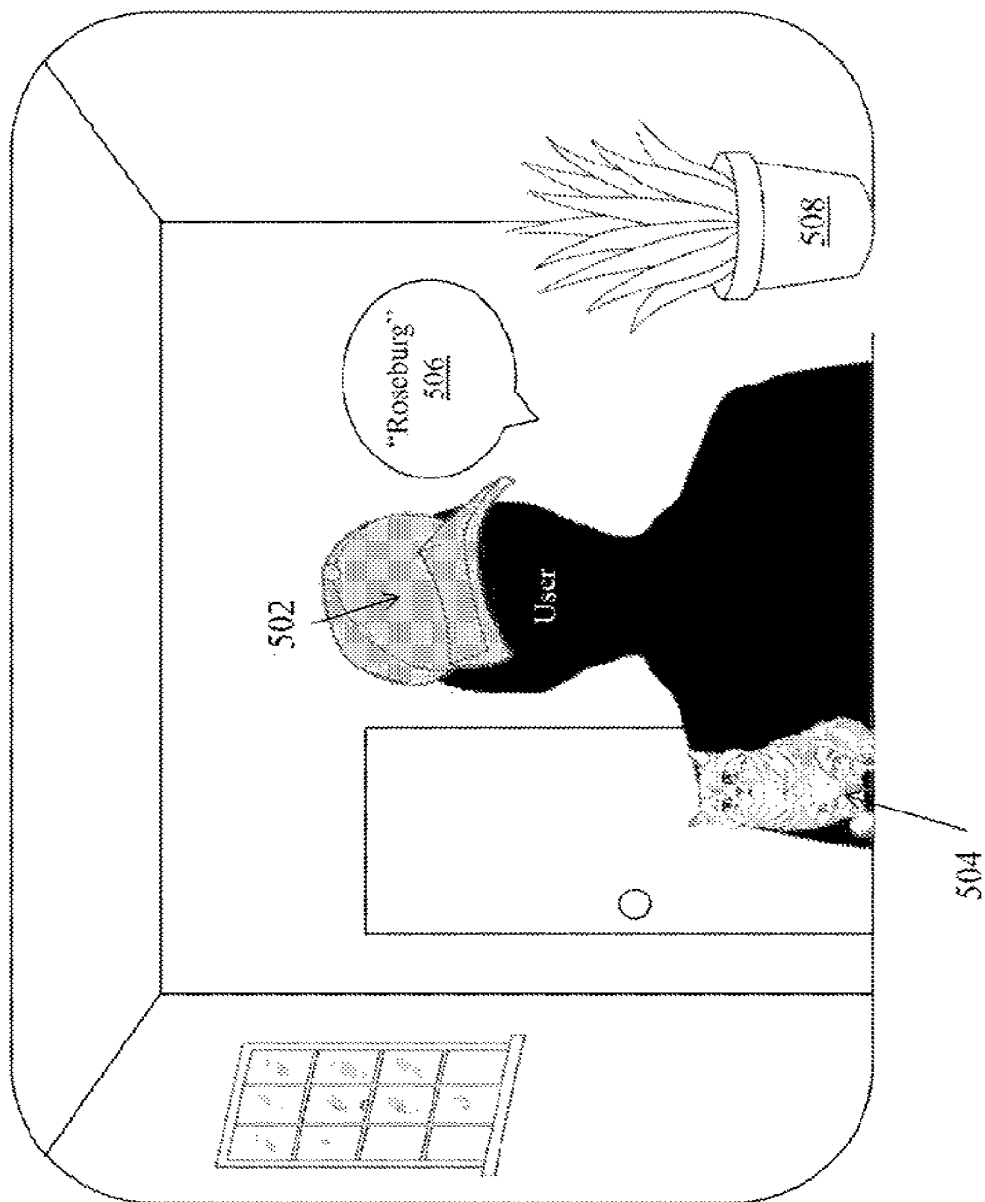


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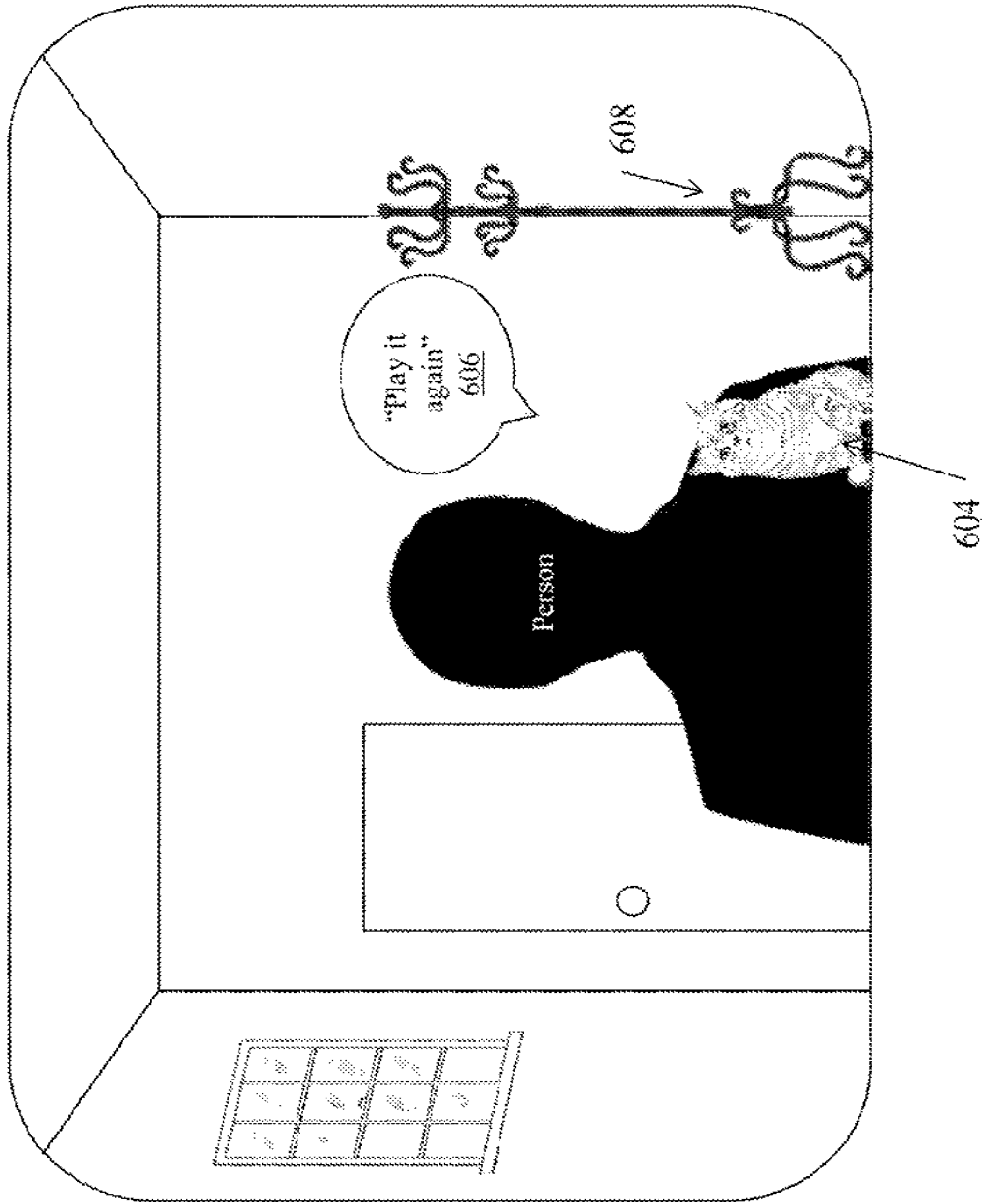


FIG. 6

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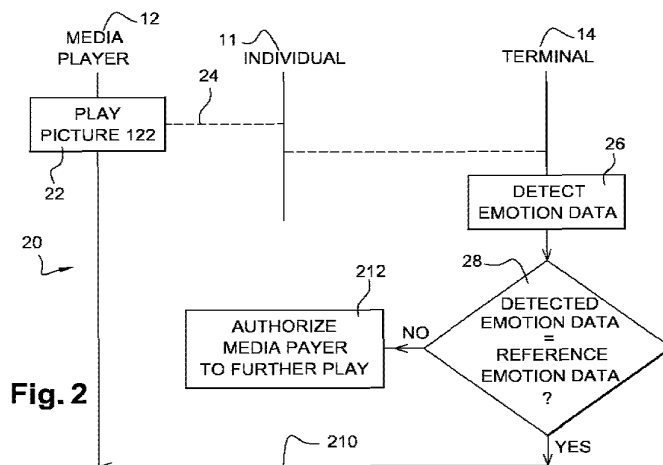
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method 20 for accessing media data. - According to the invention, the method comprises the following steps. A first device 12 plays 22 media data content. The first device or a second device 14 detects 26, through at least one sensor, during the media data content play, at least one emotion presented 24 by at least one individual 11, the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content. The first device, the second device or a third device cooperating with the second device compares 28 the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual. The first, second or third device records, based upon the at least one emotion comparison result, an audience score relating to the at least one individual. The first, second or third device sends to a server the audience score. And the server decides, based upon the received audience score, to carry out at least one action. The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

METHOD FOR ACCESSING MEDIA DATA AND CORRESPONDING DEVICE AND SYSTEM

Field of the invention:

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The invention relates generally to a method for accessing media data.
Furthermore, the invention also pertains to a device for accessing media data.
Moreover, the invention relates to a system for accessing media data.

10 State of the art:

Nowadays, there are more and more videos and/or audios that are accessible via
a TeleVision (or a TV) set, a radio set, a mobile (tele)phone or any other terminal.

However, a child may access a video (data) content and/or an audio (data)
15 content, such as a war movie, an horror movie or the like, which is able to induce the
child to respond negatively, i.e. while being scared.

Thus, there is a need to provide a solution that allows controlling access to audio
and/or video (data) content that is experienced by a child who is able to respond or
react negatively.

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Summary of the invention:

The invention proposes a solution for solving the just herein above specified need
by providing a method for accessing media data.

25 According to the invention, the method comprises the following steps. A first
device plays media data content. The first device or a second device detects, through at
least one sensor, during the media data content play, at least one emotion presented by
at least one individual, the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played
media data content. The first device, the second device or a third device cooperating
30 with the second device, as a control device, compares the at least one detected
emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual.
The control device decides, based upon at least one emotion comparison result, to
carry out at least one action.

The principle of the invention consists in that, while a media content is played, a control device analyses whether a captured emotion of one (or several) individual(s) who experience(s) the media content is a predefined reference emotion to be tracked, for each concerned individual. In case the captured emotion is or is not a previously stored reference emotion, the control device decides to perform one or several actions.

The control device tracks thus an emotional response relating to each individual who consumes the media content and acts according to an emotion comparison result.

A tracked emotional response may be an emotional expression(s) and/or any emotional feature(s) of a body of the concerned individual.

It is noteworthy that the captured emotion and the reference emotion may be based on a static or a dynamic feature(s) of at least a part of the body of the concerned individual, like e.g. a picture or a series of pictures of a face of the concerned individual.

Since each individual interacts, i.e. exhibits an emotion, in real time with the play of the concerned media content, the control device also acts in real time.

It is to be noted that the invention does not impose any constraint with respect to the number and/or the type(s) of the predefined reference emotion(s). The reference emotion(s) may include, for each concerned individual, one or several pictures including a smile, a laugh, a fear and/or anger. Such a reference emotion(s) may be used as a reference emotion(s), expected and/or avoided.

Due to the fact that the control device assesses the captured emotion with respect to a predetermined reference emotion(s), the control device acts on the basis of a real experience relating to the concerned individual.

It is noteworthy that the invention does not impose any constraint with respect to the number and/or the type(s) of the action(s). The control device may thus carry out any number and/or any type of action(s).

The control device may rate the concerned media content based on an emotion comparison result for the concerned individual.

The control device may warn its user, other identified person(people) and/or a service provider, about a score obtained by a played media content that has been consumed by her/his child or another person(people), as individual(s). Such a score may help a media content provider, like e.g. an advertiser or a publisher, to enhance the media content, so as to increase its positive feedback and/or its audience.

For instance, if an individual(s) smile(s) or laugh(s), then the control device authorizes the individual(s) to further consume the played media content. Otherwise, i.e.

if an individual(s) is(are) scared, feared or angry, the control device forbids the individual to further continue consuming the played media content.

Thus, the invention solution allows a control device user to control access to a media (data) content for its audience, as individual(s), who consume(s) the concerned media content, in a quick, efficient and convenient manner.

Moreover, the invention solution allows a control device user to control access to a media (data) content specifically for the concerned individual(s), i.e. the action(s) may be adapted to the thus surveyed individual(s).

It is to be noted that the control device may be located at a place where the individual(s) consume(s) the media content or remotely, like e.g. in a network entity, from a distant server.

According to a further aspect, the invention is a device for accessing media data.

According to the invention, the device comprises means for playing a media data content. The device is configured to detect, through at least one sensor, during a media data content play, at least one emotion presented by at least one individual, the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content. The device is configured to compare, as a control device, the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual. The device is configured to decide, based upon at least one emotion comparison result, to carry out at least one action.

As device for accessing media data, it may be a media player equipped with one or several sensors, like e.g. a TV set equipped with a camera, a mobile terminal or glasses equipped with a camera, a display screen and/or an earphone(s).

According to still a further aspect, the invention is a system for accessing media data.

According to the invention, the system includes a first device and a second device. The first device comprises means for playing a media data content. The second device is configured to detect, through at least one sensor, during a media data content play, at least one emotion presented by at least one individual, the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content. The second device is configured to compare, as a control device, the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual. The second device is configured to decide, based upon at least one emotion comparison result, to carry out at least one action.

As a second device, it may be a terminal, a user terminal, a token, a Secure Element (or SE) that cooperates with a host device, such as a media player or a terminal, or a remote server.

Within the present description, an SE is a smart object that, on the one hand, protects access to data that the smart object stores and, on the other hand, is intended to communicate with the outside world.

The SE may be embedded, like e.g. an embedded Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or eUICC) 14, within a host device, such as a mobile phone, as terminal.

Instead of being embedded, an SE chip may be included within a smart card termed Subscriber Identity Module (or SIM) type card or the like, as removable from its host device.

The invention does not impose any constraint as to a kind of the SE type. As removable SE, it may be a SIM type card, a Secure Removable Module (or SRM), a smart dongle of the USB (acronym for "Universal Serial Bus") type, a (micro-) Secure Digital (or SD) type card or a Multi-Media type Card (or MMC) or any format card to be coupled to a host device, as first device.

Brief description of the drawings:

Additional features and advantages of the invention will be more clearly understandable after reading a detailed description of one preferred embodiment of the invention, given as an indicative and non-limitative example, in conjunction with the following drawings:

- Figure 1 illustrates a simplified diagram of a mobile phone, as one exemplary embodiment of a local control device, the mobile phone being arranged to detect an emotion relating to an individual who consumes a played media content, to compare the detected emotion to a reference emotion(s) and to decide, based on an emotion comparison result, to carry out an action(s), according to the invention; and
- Figure 2 represents an example of one message flow between a media player, the individual and the mobile phone of figure 1, so that the mobile phone authorizes or forbids the individual to further consume the played media content.

Detailed description:

Herein under is considered a case in which the invention method for accessing media data is implemented by a TV set, as a media player and a first device, and a mobile phone, as a user terminal, a second device, a local control device and a standalone entity.

According to another embodiment, the invention method for accessing media data is implemented by a TV set, as a media player and a first device, a mobile phone, as a user terminal, and a remote server, as a third device and a remote control device. In other words, the mobile phone cooperates with the remote server, so as to decide, based on an emotion comparison result, to carry out an action(s). According to such an embodiment (not represented), the mobile phone is adapted to carry out a detection of an emotion of an individual that is described infra and that is performed by the mobile phone and the remote server is adapted to carry out a comparison of the detected emotion to a reference emotion(s) and to decide, based on an emotion comparison result, to carry out an action(s) that are described infra and that are performed by the mobile phone.

According to still another embodiment, the invention method for accessing media data is implemented by a TV set, as a media player and a first device, a mobile phone and a removable or incorporated SE, as a second device and a local control device. In other words, the SE cooperates with the mobile phone, so as to decide, based on an emotion comparison result, to carry out an action(s). According to such an embodiment (not represented), the SE is adapted to carry out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the mobile phone.

Naturally, the herein below described embodiment is only for exemplifying purposes and is not considered to reduce the scope of the invention.

Figure 1 shows schematically an individual 11, a TV set 12, as a media player, and a mobile telephone 14, as a user terminal.

For the sake of simplicity, the TV set 12 and the mobile telephone 14 are termed herein after the TV 12 and the phone 14 respectively.

Only one individual 11 is represented. Nevertheless, the invention is also applicable to several individuals, the control device accesses, for each individual, one (or several) reference emotion(s) to be compared to each detected emotion prior to

deciding, based on an emotion comparison result, to carry out one or several actions, as further explained infra.

The TV 12, as a media player, plays e.g. a film, a TV-series, a video clip, a TV show or any other media data content.

5 The TV 12 may be compliant with Wifi, Bluetooth and/or any other Short Range (or SR) communication technology enabled.

Alternately or additionally, the TV 12 includes an infrared receiver.

10 Instead of a TV, the media player may be a Personal Computer (or a PC), a game player or any other device including means for reading media data and comprising or being connected to one or several user interfaces. As user interface(s), there may be a display screen(s) and/or a loudspeaker(s), so as to let view and/or listen the concerned media content.

Within the present description, media data is audio and/or video data.

15 The media data may originate, possibly through a set-top box, from a remote radio or TV transmitter, as a broadcaster, a Video On Demand (or VOD) provider, an Audio and Video On Demand (or AVOD) provider or any other remote provider(s) from a server (not represented).

20 The media data may originate from a local Digital Video Disk (or DVD) type player, a set-top box or any other local provider (not represented) that is connected to the TV 12.

An individual 11 is sufficiently close to the TV 12, so as to watch and listen, i.e. consume or experience, a media content that is being played by the TV 12.

The phone 14 is used for surveying the individual 11 who consumes a media content and may react or respond to the media content that is being played.

25 The individual 11 may thus smile, laugh, be angry and/or feared once or several times from a beginning of the play of the media content.

The individual 11 may be either a phone 14 user or a person distinct from a phone user, like e.g. a relative or a parent of the individual 11 or any person who desires to survey the individual 11.

30 Instead of a phone, it may be a PC, a tablet or any other device including means for processing data, comprising or being connected to means for storing data, and comprising or being connected to one or several sensors for capturing or detecting an emotion of the individual 11.

The phone 14 is preferably equipped with a camera(s) 142, as one sensor for capturing each emotion that is visually expressed by the individual 11. The camera 142 allows either filming continuously or taking regularly a picture of the individual 11 who is situated in front of the camera 142 and consumes a played media content.

5 Instead of being equipped with a camera, the phone 14 is connected to a camera (not represented).

The camera 142 that points the individual 11 is present e.g. on the front side of the phone 14.

10 Alternately, the camera 142 that points the individual 11 is on the rear side of the phone 14.

The camera 142 is used for detecting an (or a plurality of) emotion(s) that the individual 11 presents by consuming the concerned played media content. To detect an emotion of the individual 11, the camera 142 may focus on a face of the individual 11, so as to extract either statically, i.e. through a picture, or dynamically, i.e. through a series of pictures, a facial expression. The facial expression may be based on an eye(s) expression and/or a mouth expression, as an individual body feature(s).

15 The phone 14 may be also equipped with (or connected to) a second camera (not represented), so as to either film continuously or take regularly a picture of the media content that is being played and consumed by the individual 11 in a manner synchronized with the operation of the first camera 142. The second camera is used for recording what the individual 11 watches at the time she/he has an emotion that is captured by the first camera 142. The phone 14 is thus able to associate a captured emotion with the corresponding played media content, like e.g. a picture or a series of pictures, as an extract of the consumed played media content that allows getting an emotional expression(s) from the individual 11.

20 The phone 14 is preferably equipped with one (or several) microphone(s) 144, as a sensor(s) for capturing each emotion that is orally expressed by the individual 11. The microphone 144 is used for detecting a sound(s), like e.g. a laughter sound(s) and/or a cry sound(s), as an emotion(s), that the individual 11 produces by consuming the played media content.

30 The phone 14 may be provided with a bracelet (not represented) and/or another wearable device, as a biometric data reader and a sensor, that is used for capturing each emotion that is expressed by a feature(s) of the individual 11. To detect an emotion of the individual 11, the biometric data reader may measure or sense a body

temperature increase (associated with a fear), a ruffled fur (associated with a fear) and/or an increased heart rate (associated with a fear), as an individual body feature(s).

The phone 14 is preferably provided with wireless communication means for exchanging data with outside.

5 Within the present description, the adjective “wireless” denotes notably that the communication means communicates via one or several Long Range (or LR) and/or Short Range (or SR) Radio-Frequency (or RF) links.

The SR RF link may be related to a Wifi or Bluetooth type link.

10 Alternately or additionally, the wireless communication means includes an infrared transmitter.

The phone 14 includes one or several microprocessors (not represented), as data processing means, one or several memories (not represented), data storing means, and two or more Input/Output (or I/O) interfaces.

15 The phone memory(ies) may comprise one or several volatile memories and/or one or several non-volatile memories.

The phone memory stores an Operating System (or OS) and one or several applications to be executed by the phone microprocessor. The applications including the invention application are offered to the phone 14 user.

20 The phone memory stores preferably one (or several) predetermined picture(s) 140 that includes a laugh of the individual 11, as a reference emotion(s), that may be expected. Such a picture 140 presents, for instance, an individual 11 face that has a relatively narrow eye opening and/or a mouth that is open with lip corners that are pulled obliquely.

25 The phone memory may store one (or several) predetermined picture(s) that include(s) a smile of the individual 11, as a reference emotion(s).

30 The phone memory stores preferably one (or several) predetermined picture(s) 141 that include(s) a fear of the individual 11, as a reference emotion(s), that may be feared or avoided. Such a picture 141 presents, for instance, an individual 11 face that has a relatively large eye opening and/or a mouth that is frankly open with lip corners that are pulled vertically.

The phone memory may store one (or several) predetermined picture(s) that include(s) anger of the individual 11, as a reference emotion(s).

The phone memory may store data relating to a Uniform Resource Identifier (or URI), a Uniform Resource Locator (or URL) and/or an Internet Protocol (or IP) address

of an external entity to be addressed, like a server, as a device that collects each detected emotion and/or a corresponding audience score.

The phone 14 may be arranged to detect that a media content is being played and/or the individual 11 is present in front of the phone 14, as an incoming event(s), so as to awake automatically the invention application to survey the concerned individual 11.

The phone 14 is configured to detect, through one or several sensors, each emotion presented by the individual 11. Then, the phone 14 records preferably each detected emotion within the phone memory.

At the time an emotion is detected, the invention application may allow recording, within the phone memory, the associated media content that is being played.

The phone 14 is configured to analyse each emotion that is detected through the sensor(s) and that originates from the concerned individual 11 during a media content play.

To analyse the detected emotion, the invention application allows comparing each detected emotion to one or several pre-stored reference emotions that are accessible. Such a reference emotion(s) to be used is(are) entered, configurable and selected under the phone user control.

The invention application allows deciding, based on a result of one or several comparisons to the reference emotion(s), to carry out one or several actions.

The actions may be of different natures.

As actions, it may include an authorization or an interdiction to further play part or all of the media content that is being played.

Alternately or additionally, it may include an analysis of the result of the comparison(s) to the reference emotion(s), so as to allocate a score, as an audience score, to each of the concerned individual 11 who consumes the media content. The invention application allows recording each audience score. The invention application may allow sending each audience score to a central server. The server may thus decide, based on the received audience score, possibly further to a comparison of an average of all the received audience scores to a predetermined reference audience score, like e.g. an expected audience score, to carry out one or several actions.

The invention application may allow transmitting to an identified device(s), like e.g. a mobile phone, a message for warning its user, every time a detection of a predetermined emotion, like e.g. a fear or anger, occurs.

The invention application may allow transmitting wirelessly to an identified device, like e.g. the TV 12, a message including a command for switching off the media content that is being played and/or the TV 12 or a command for switching from a TV 12 source of the played media content to a predetermined targeted source, like e.g. a dedicated
5 child program content provider, as a local or remote content provider, so as to stop the play of the media content.

Figure 2 depicts an exemplary embodiment of a message flow 20 that involves the TV 12, the individual 11 and the phone 14.

It is assumed that the phone 14 user, as a parent of a child, as the individual 11,
10 desires to either authorize or forbid the child 11 to follow a TV program, as a media content, that is being played by the TV 12.

It is assumed that only the camera 142 is used as the sensor for detecting an emotion presented or expressed by the child 11. It is clear that (an)other sensor(s) may be used for detecting an emotion. In such a case, a corresponding digital template is
15 associated with each used sensor. For instance, a microphone is used and a pre-stored reference sound is to be tracked and the phone 14 is configured to compare each detected sound to the reference sound. Furthermore, in order to enhance the recognition of a particular reference emotion, like e.g. a fear, several sensors, like e.g. the camera 142 and the microphone 144 are used and the detected picture and the
20 detected sound are both compared to the reference emotion picture and the reference emotion sound respectively. For each used sensor type, there is an associated digital template type.

It is further assumed that the phone 14 stores the picture 141 that includes a fear of the child 11, as a fear picture 141 and reference emotion that is negative and to be
25 avoided. The reference emotion 141 has been either loaded into the phone 14 or acquired with the phone camera 142.

The phone 14 user launches an execution of the invention application after having placed the phone 14 between the child 11 and the TV 12, so as to observe any feedback or response of the child 11 to be surveyed.

30 The child 11 consumes, i.e. views and/or listens to, the TV program.

At a given time, the TV program includes a picture 122 that is frightening for the child 11, like e.g. an animal with a ferocious air and extremely big teeth.

The TV 12 plays 22 the frightening picture 122.

The played frightening picture 122, as played media content, causes 24 a fear emotional state of the child 11.

The phone 142 detects 26, through the camera 142, during the media content play, a picture of the fear emotional state of the child 11, as detected emotion data.

5 Optionally, part or all the emotion (data) is detected, the phone 14 sends to a remote server (not represented) part or all of the detected emotion(s).

The phone 14 compares 28 the detected picture of the fear emotional state of the child 11 to the fear picture 141, as a reference emotion data.

10 If the detected picture of the fear emotional state of the child 11 matches the fear picture 141, then the phone 14 decides, based on the emotion comparison result, to forbid to further play the TV program by e.g. stopping the play of the TV program. To stop the play of the TV program, the phone 14 sends wirelessly to the TV 12 a message 210 including a command for switching off the TV program that is being played and/or the TV 12 or a command for switching from a TV 12 source of the played TV program to
15 a predetermined targeted source, like e.g. a dedicated child content provider, as a local or remote content provider.

Optionally, instead of a single detection of the fear picture 141, a predetermined threshold, like e.g. three, possibly during a predefined period of time, such as two or three minutes, is or are to be reached prior to deciding to forbid to further play the TV
20 program by e.g. stopping the play of the TV program.

Such an interdiction of the play of the TV program prevents its audience from continuing to consume the concerned TV program with a frightening picture(s), violent picture(s), dangerous scene(s)....

Otherwise, i.e. while the detected emotion data relating to the child 11 does not
25 match any (tracked) reference emotion data, the phone 14, as control device, authorizes 212 the TV 12, as media player, to further play part or all the TV program.

Alternately or additionally, instead of authorizing or forbidding to further play the media content, the phone 14 records, based on the emotion comparison result, an audience score relating to child 11. The phone 14 may send to a remote server (not
30 represented) the audience score. The server may collect from a fleet of control devices, like e.g. the phone 14, an audience score for the played TV program. The server decides, based on the received audience score(s), to carry out one or several actions, like e.g. an authorization or an interdiction of a server, as the provider of the concerned media content, to further play part or all the media content.

The invention allows thus a phone user who desires to survey an individual to control access in real time to the played media content specifically for the surveyed individual. As a matter of fact, for one and the same media content, a first child may react positively while a second child may react negatively.

5 The invention is therefore quick, efficient, convenient for a control device user.

 The embodiment that has just been described is not intended to limit the scope of the concerned invention. Other embodiments may be given. As another embodiment example, instead of having two or three separate devices that are involved, one and the same device, such as e.g. a mobile terminal, a TV or glasses, that is equipped with a
10 media player and comprises or is connected to one or several sensors, carries out the function that is performed by the TV 12 and the functions that are performed by the phone 14 that are all described supra.

CLAIMS

1. A method (20) for accessing media data,
characterized in that the method comprises the following steps:
 - a first device (12) plays (22) media data content;
 - 5 - the first device or a second device (14) detects (26), through at least one sensor, during the media data content play, at least one emotion presented (24) by at least one individual (11), the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content;
 - the first device, the second device or a third device cooperating with the second
 - 10 device, compares (28) the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual;
 - the first, second or third device records, based upon the at least one emotion comparison result, an audience score relating to the at least one individual;
 - the first, second or third device sends to a server the audience score; and
 - 15 - the server decides, based upon the received audience score, to carry out at least one action.
2. Method according to claim 1, wherein, the at least one reference emotion being associated with an authorization or an interdiction to consume the media data content,
- 20 the at least one action comprises an authorization (212) or an interdiction of the first device to further play at least a part of the media data content.
3. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the first, second or third device records the at least one detected emotion and/or the associated extract of the played
- 25 media data content.
4. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the first, second or third device sends to a server at least one of the at least one detected emotion.
- 30 5. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the at least one sensor comprises at least one element of a group including:
 - at least one camera (142);
 - at least one microphone (144); and
 - at least one biometric data reader.

6. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the at least one reference emotion comprises at least one element of a group including:

- at least one predetermined picture including a smile relating to each of the at least one individual;
- at least one predetermined picture (140) including a laugh relating to each of the at least one individual;
- at least one predetermined picture (141) including a fear relating to each of the at least one individual; and
- at least one predetermined picture including anger relating to each of the at least one individual.

7. A device for accessing media data,

characterized in that, the device comprising means for playing a media data content, the device is configured to:

- detect, through at least one sensor, during a media data content play, at least one emotion presented by at least one individual, the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content;
- compare the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual;
- record, based upon the at least one emotion comparison result, an audience score relating to the at least one individual; and
- send to a server the audience score.

8. Device according to claim 7, wherein the device includes a mobile phone.

9. A system for accessing media data,

characterized in that, the system including a first device (12), a second device (14) and a server, the first device comprising means for playing a media data content, the second device is configured to:

- detect (26), through at least one sensor (142, 144), during a media data content play, at least one emotion presented (24) by at least one individual (11), the at least one individual listening and/or viewing the played media data content;

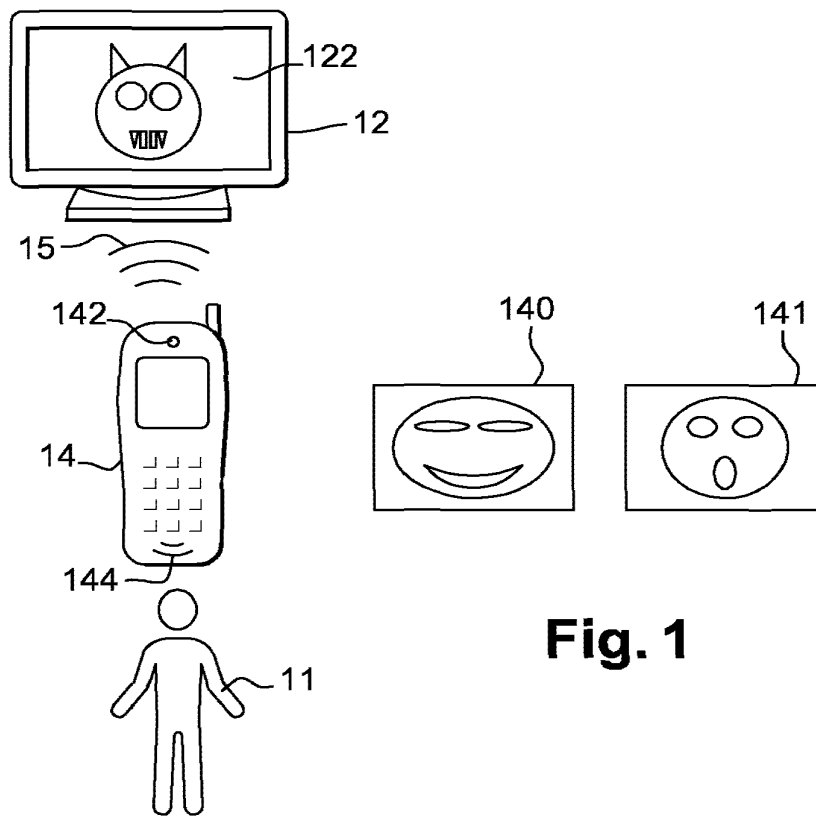
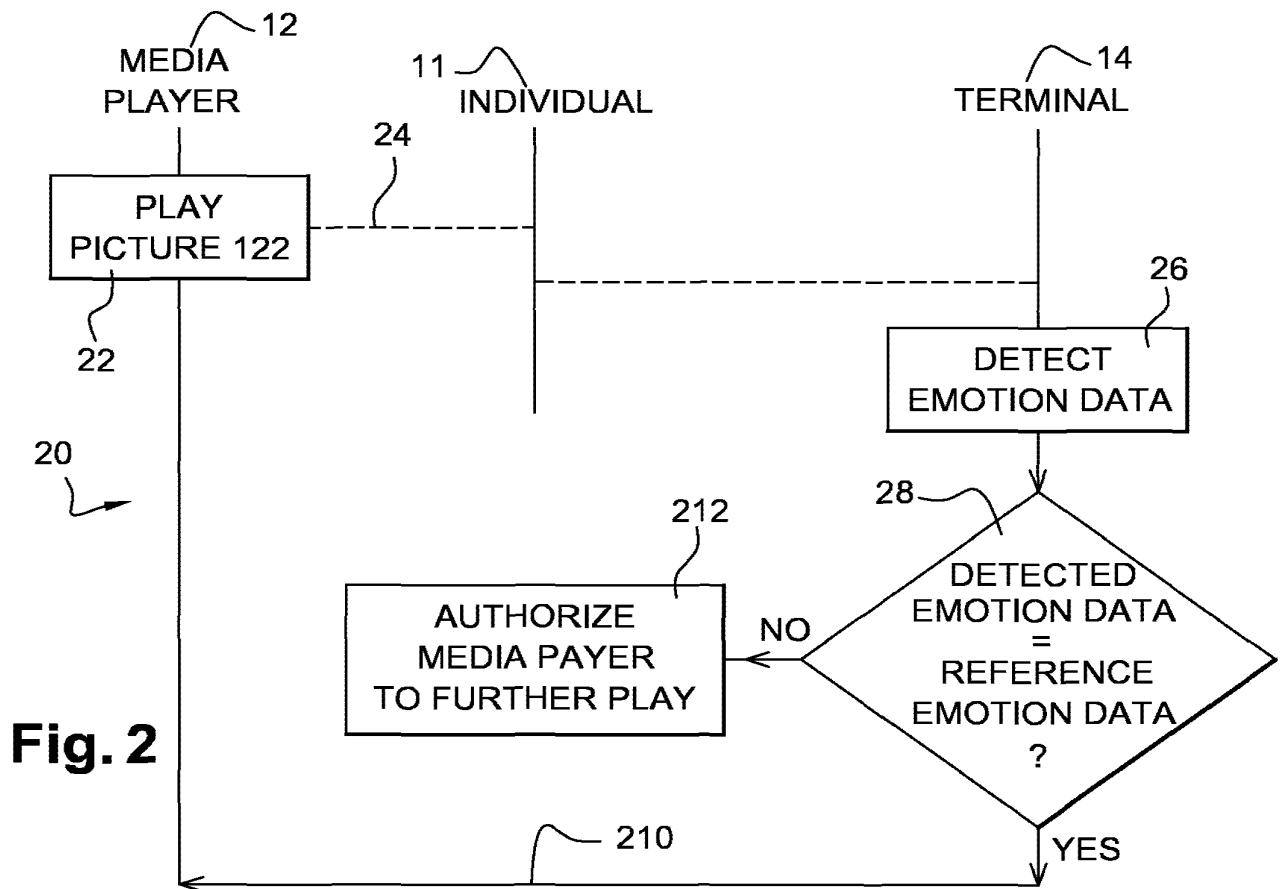
- compare (28) the at least one detected emotion to at least one predetermined reference emotion for each concerned individual;
- record, based upon the at least one emotion comparison result, an audience score relating to the at least one individual;

5 - send to the server the audience score; and

in that the server is configured to decide, based upon the received audience score, to carry out at least one action.

10. Device according to claim 9, wherein the first device includes a media player.

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**Fig. 1****Fig. 2**

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AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM

Field of the invention:

The present invention relates generally to an authentication method and an authentication device.

5 Furthermore, the invention pertains to an authentication system as well. The system includes at least two devices.

The present invention is notably applicable to a field in which a first device is e.g. a mobile (tele)phone or a Personal Computer (or PC) and a second device is e.g. a (local) Secure Element (or SE) or a remote server.

10 Within the present description, an SE is a smart object that includes a chip(s) that protect(s), as a tamper resistant component(s), access to stored data and that is intended to communicate data with a device(s), like e.g., an SE host device, and/or an SE user.

State of the art:

15 EP 2 924 603 A2 describes a user authentication technique based on a transmission, from a client to a server, of a captured video signal including a physical user characteristic(s) and a physical object(s)/element(s) in the user environment. The sever analyses the captured video signal to determine a value associated with each of the visual and audio elements, as environment characteristics. The server determines a
20 total score for the captured video signal and compares the total score to a predetermined reference score. The server decides to authorize (or not) based on a comparison result.

However, such a known solution requires a big bandwidth, namely several Mb, for an upload of the captured video signal. Moreover, the uploaded captured video signal
25 includes information that discloses the user environment and therefore private data.

There is a need of an alternative authentication solution while being more efficient and more secure than such an aforementioned known solution.

Summary of the invention:

The invention proposes a solution for satisfying the just herein above specified
30 need by providing an authentication method.

According to the invention, the method comprises:

- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;

- constituting, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
- 5 - generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

The principle of the invention consists in capturing, at a client device side, (local)
 10 context (or environment) data element(s) depending on an authentication policy, building a corresponding data packet and determining with a predefined hash type algorithm and, as input, the data packet a corresponding hash. The client device sends the determined hash. Then, a hash distance between the determined hash and a predefined reference hash is determined. The thus determined hash distance is then
 15 used for authenticating (or not) the tested authentication context (under survey).

The authentication policy defines notably the number and/or the nature of the context data element(s) to be captured. The authentication policy may include data relating to the used (client) device, a user, object(s) or thing(s) to be locally present and detected. To capture the context data element(s), the invention does not impose any
 20 constraint. The client device may use a camera(s), a microphone(s) and/or one or several sensors that is(are) incorporated within or connected to the client device.

The invention (authentication) solution is, through the authentication policy, configurable and therefore adaptable to different (local) environment or context scenario(s).

25 Since the client device (or a cooperating device, such as an SE), where there is an environment to be authenticated, generates (or determines) a hash from a data packet resulting from captured environment or context data element(s), the hash is transmitted in a secure and protected manner.

A software component, such as a library, a hardware component and/or a device
 30 may carry out the hash distance generation step and the authentication step. The software component may be supported by the client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server. The hardware component may be incorporated within or connected or coupled to the

client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server.

It is noteworthy that the hash distance generation step provides a hash distance that allows to determine whether the generated hash is more or less close to a predefined reference hash. The hash distance allows inferring whether the corresponding captured context data element(s) is(are) or is(are) not successfully authenticated, i.e. sufficiently close to respective predetermined reference captured context data element(s).

The hash distance may be generated through a hash type comparison algorithm.

An authentication of the concerned (local) environment or context under survey is therefore carried out through such a hash distance that is specific to (or characterizes) the invention solution.

The hash distance allows the invention solution to be resilient to more or less small changes with respect to the predefined reference hash while still authenticating successfully the concerned (local) environment or context, i.e. the value of at least some captured (or collected) context data element(s) has changed slightly.

It is to be noted that the hash or digest, as a byte stream relating to original captured context data element(s), is a string of bits with a resulting length, from e.g. 32 bytes to e.g. a few kbytes. The resulting length may be (or not) variable according to the captured context data element(s).

The hash relates to the original (captured) context data element(s) and reduces the number of bits (or elements of information) to be transferred with respect to the original context data element(s).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution does not need a large bandwidth to transmit data, including the hash, relating to the concerned environment or context, since the data relating to the concerned context includes only a few data (up to a few kbytes) to be transmitted.

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution is therefore efficient.

Moreover, the hash obfuscates the concerned original context data element(s), i.e. does not disclose any original context data element(s) in plain text.

Since no data relating to the privacy is transmitted in plain text, the invention is thus compliant with data privacy and therefore the Generation Data Protection Regulation (or GDPR).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, due to the use of a hash (and not the use of the concerned captured context data element(s) in plain text), the invention solution is secure.

The invention solution is an environment or context authentication solution that allows authenticating the concerned (local) environment or context under survey.

The invention solution is user convenient.

Advantageously, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:

- generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
- comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
- authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

The LSH type algorithm, as a hash type algorithm, is advantageously used to generate a score, as a hash distance used for comparing the generated hash to the predefined reference hash.

The generated score is then checked with respect to a predefined threshold value, so as to authenticate (or not) the concerned context.

Thus, the invention solution may be, through the score, as the hash distance, more or less permissive with respect to the predefined reference hash that has to be approached by the generated hash from the collected context data element(s).

It is to be noted that the score is either the hash distance itself or the result of a computation derived from the (hash) distance depending on the used algorithm for comparing the generated hash.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a first authentication device.

According to the invention, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;

- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- send to a second device the generated hash.

5 The first authentication device may be a mobile phone, a PC or any computing device.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a second authentication device.

According to the invention, the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- 10 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

The second authentication device may be a secure element, a remote server or any computing device.

According to still a further aspect, the invention is an authentication system.

15 According to the invention, the system comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- 20 - constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and

the second authentication device is configured to:

- 25 - receive from the first device, the generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

Brief description of the drawings:

30 Additional features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from a detailed description of one preferred embodiment of the invention, given as an indicative and non-limitative example, in conjunction with the following drawings:

- Figure 1 illustrates a simplified diagram of an exemplary embodiment of a system comprising a mobile phone and a server, the phone being configured to collect, based on a predefined authentication policy, a data element(s) comprised within the phone context, constitute a corresponding data packet, generate a corresponding hash, and send to the server the hash, the server being configured to generate a hash distance between the hash and a predetermined reference hash and authenticate, based on to the hash distance, the concerned context, according to the invention; and

- Figure 2 represents an example of a flow of messages exchanged between the user, the phone and the server of the system of figure 1, so that the server receives a hash generated at the client side, generates a corresponding hash distance and authenticates (or not), thanks to the generated hash distance, the concerned context.

Detailed description:

Herein under is considered an exemplary embodiment in which the invention authentication method is implemented notably by a phone, as a client (computer) device and a standalone entity, i.e. without cooperating with another device, such as an SE, and a remote server.

According to another exemplary embodiment (not represented), the invention authentication method is implemented by a computer device, as a terminal, in cooperation with an SE embedded within or connected to the terminal. According to such an embodiment, the SE, as a local and second authentication device, is adapted to perform the functions that are carried out by the server and described herein below while enhancing the security of stored and/or processed data.

The SE may be an incorporated chip, as a chip soldered, possibly in a removable manner, like e.g., an embedded SE, an embedded Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or eUICC) or an integrated Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or iUICC), on a Printed Circuit Board (or PCB) of the terminal, or a chip that is coupled to the terminal and included within a Universal Serial Bus (or USB), a smart card or any other medium (that may have different form factors), as an SE host device. The chip may thus be fixed to or removable from its host device, like e.g., the mobile phone.

The invention does not impose any constraint as to a kind of the SE type.

Naturally, the herein below described embodiment is only for exemplifying purposes and is not considered to reduce the scope of the present invention.

Figure 1 shows schematically an (authentication) system 10 that includes a (mobile) phone 14 and a remote (web) server 16.

The system is arranged to authenticate (or not) a context 12 (or environment) under survey.

5 The context 12 includes e.g. a user 11, as the owner of the phone 14.

Additionally (or alternately), the context 12 includes e.g. a TeleVision (or TV) set 13, as a physical object or thing.

10 However, the invention (authentication) solution is also applicable when the context 12 includes one or several human beings (and/or animal(s)) and/or one or several (physical) things.

For the sake of simplicity, only one phone 14, as a first (authentication) device, and only one user 11 and one object, as context data elements, have been represented.

15 However, the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, manages a set of context accounts and respective reference (context) hashes that have been previously respectively registered while using the same invention authentication process.

20 Instead of being constituted by a phone, the first device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or any other computer device. Such a list of first devices is given as mere examples for a first device that may be used without being exhaustive.

25 Instead of being constituted by a physical first device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the phone 14.

The phone 14 includes one or several Central Processing Unit(s) (or CPU), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) (not represented), as data processing means, one or several memories (not represented), as data storing means, and one or several Input/Output (or I/O) interfaces (not represented).

30 The (or each) phone processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several phone I/O interfaces.

The phone memories may include one or several EEPROMs (acronym for “Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory”), one or several ROMs (acronym for “Read Only Memory”), one or several Flash memories and/or any other memories of different types, like e.g., one or several RAMs (acronym for “Random
5 Access Memory”).

The phone 14 supports one or several Operating Systems (or OS).

The phone 14 supports a client application that allows the phone 14 to send, after a context data element collection, a corresponding data packet constitution and a corresponding hash generation, to the server 16 information including the generated
10 hash. The generated hash allows the server 16 to authenticate (or not) the concerned context 12.

A phone 14 memory (and/or a memory of another device connected or coupled to the phone 14) stores a Mobile Station International Subscriber Directory Number (or MSISDN), as the phone 14 number, and/or the like, as a phone 14 Identifiers (or ID), ,
15 an International Mobile Equipment Identity (or IMEI), an email address and/or other data that allow(s) uniquely identifying the phone 14, as the first device.

The phone I/O interface(s) may comprise (and/or be connected to) a display screen and a keyboard, as a phone Man Machine Interface (or MMI), so as to interact with the user 11.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., a camera 142, so as to capture or collect
20 video or picture data that is included in the environment or context that is present in front of the camera 142.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., one or several sensors that allow each to collect data relating to the context of the phone 14.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., an antenna 144, allowing to transmit
25 data, through a Radio-Frequency (or RF) link(s) 15, as a wireless link(s), via a possible (communication) network(s), to the server 16.

The RF may be fixed at several hundreds of MHz, e.g., around 850, 900, 1800, 1900 and/or 2100 MHz, as Long Range (or LR) type RF.

The RF link 15 between the phone 14 and the server 16 is at least mono-
30 directional, namely at least an uplink, i.e. from the phone 14 to the server 16.

The channel may be related to an HyperText Transfer Protocol (or HTTP) (Secure) (registered trademark) type channel, an Over-The-Air (or OTA), an Over-The-Internet (or OTI) type channel or any other data communication channel.

The channel using the RF link 15 may be secure or unsecure.

5 The phone 14 is arranged to collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, an image (or picture) (and/or a video signal) including image data relating to the user 11 face and image data relating to the TV 13, as data elements included in the context (relating to the phone 14).

10 To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may use a Machine Learning (or ML) engine to analyse a collected (or captured) image.

Each context data element is preferably a string of bits (or units of information) with an individual fixed length.

15 The authentication policy allows configuring the phone 14 to process data originating from a surrounding environment of the phone 14, so as to authenticate the concerned environment.

20 The authentication policy is preferably previously (prior to launching an authentication process) provided by the server 16 or another server (not represented) connected to the server 16. The authentication policy comprises a set of identified context data elements to be collected, so as to define context data element(s) to be collected.

25 As context data element(s), the context data element(s) may include, besides image data relating to the user face and image data relating to the TV 13, other data, such as a phone ID, a Service Set Identifier (or SSID), an OS version ID, geolocation data (like e.g., Global Positioning System (or GPS) data), a user 11 heart rate (not represented) and/or other data. To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may get or retrieve data, such as a phone ID, stored in a memory included within the phone 14 or a device connected or coupled to the phone 14.

30 The authentication policy may also define how the concerned context data element(s) is transformed into a corresponding data packet, how the resulting data packet is possibly processed, such as grouped, ciphered, weighted and/or sorted, and/or how a corresponding hash has to be generated.

The authentication policy may comprise information allowing to group together at least certain collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context

data element(s). Thus, certain context data elements are to be grouped within one and the same group, such as data relating to the operation of the phone 14, like e.g., an SSID and/or an OS version ID, and/or data relating to the audio and/or visual environment.

5 When two or more collected context data elements are grouped, the concerned collected context data element group impacts the corresponding generated hash distance (or score) by increasing the hash distance (or score) variation, i.e. if at least one of the collected context data elements within a concerned group changes, then the resulting corresponding generated hash distance (or score) varies more than if all of the
10 collected context data elements of the group were kept (individually) separated from each other.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that a data packet that results from the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be ciphered by using a key generated from submitted user authentication data (or one or
15 several data items originating from one or several external sources, such as a thermometer) (instead of being ciphered, being processed by a keyed one way function (i.e. non reversible), such as HMAC type function). Such a data packet ciphering request may further specify to use a specific encryption key, a specific encryption key
20 generation algorithm, a specific data encryption algorithm and/or a process to generate the concerned encryption key or algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using user authentication data, such as a Personal Identity Number (or PIN), a One-Time Password (or OTP), a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s), and/or data
25 provided by one or several external sources, such as an SE, as input to an (identified) key generation algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using a Hash-based Message Authentication Code (or HMAC) key derivation function.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a user authentication to be used for authenticating the user 11, when applicable, i.e. when the user authentication data is to be included in the context data element(s). For example, the
30 user 11 has to authenticate by providing a PIN, an OTP, a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s).

The authentication policy may comprise one or several weights to be associated with a specific (identified) group(s) and/or a specific (identified) context data element(s), so as to give heavier importance to the concerned group(s) and/or context data element(s) with respect to the other collected group(s) and/or collected context data element(s) within a corresponding data packet.

The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that, prior to generating a corresponding hash, the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be sorted, according to a predetermined numerical order, such as an increasing or decreasing numerical order.

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash relating to the collected context data element(s).

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying several hash type algorithms to be used for generating several hashes relating to the collected context data elements which may have separate natures of data elements. The corresponding hash distance (or score) to be generated is then averaged (or weighted) the hashes resulting from each hash type algorithms.

Optionally, the phone 14 is arranged, preferably according to the authentication policy, to group at least two collected context data elements within the collected context data elements within the data packet.

The phone 14 is adapted to constitute, based on the collected context data element(s), a (resulting) data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a kind of passphrase comprising, as word(s), the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a string of bits (or units of information) with a resulting length that may vary depending on the collected context data element length(s) between separate context authentication sessions. The data packet length corresponds to an addition of all of the individual length(s) relating to the collected context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone 14 is adapted, preferably according to the authentication policy, to cipher or encrypt the data packet. Each of the context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part is thus ciphered by using a predetermined encryption key. The encryption key may have been generated by using a HMAC type derivation function.

Optionally, the phone is adapted to weigh, according to the authentication policy, one or several (identified) collected context data element(s) of the collected context data element(s) that may have been previously grouped within the data packet. Such a collected context data element weighing may depend on a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash. Such a collected context data element weighing allows favouring the concerned collected context data element(s) and/or the concerned context data group(s) with respect to the other context data elements comprised within the concerned data packet. To weigh the concerned context data element(s), the phone 14 may duplicate the concerned context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone is arranged preferably according to the authentication policy, to sort, according to a numerical order, such as an increasing or a decreasing numerical order, the collected context data element(s) within the data packet. Such a (collected) context data element sorting allows preserving, depending on the used hash type algorithm, a generation of a corresponding hash and therefore a corresponding hash distance, i.e. the hash to be generated does not change when the concerned context data element sorting order is kept.

According to an essential invention feature, the phone 14 is configured to generate a hash by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm.

The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms: a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a Trend micro Locality Sensitive Hash (or TLSH) type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash with, as input, a data packet.

The hash type algorithm may incorporate a weighting, within the collected context data element(s), of one or several context data elements and/or one or several context data element group(s).

The phone 14 is arranged to send to the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, the generated hash.

Such a generated hash, as a cipher and a kind of context signature, allows not to disclose any original (user) private data that has been locally collected and therefore preserve the data privacy.

The generated hash has a fixed length that is a few data (up to a few kbits).

5 Instead of being constituted by a (physical) server, the second device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or
10 any other computer device. Such a list of second devices is given as mere examples for a second device that may be used without being exhaustive.

Instead of being constituted by a physical second device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the server 16.

15 The server 16 is connected to the phone 14 over the link 15.

The server 16 is remote and accessible through possibly one, two or more communication networks, such as an Intranet network and/or an Internet network, that allow to define or form a corresponding communication channel.

The corresponding communication channel may be secure or unsecure.

20 According to an alternative embodiment (not represented), the server 16 is local. For example, the server 16 is embedded within a device, such as an SE that is connected or coupled to the PC 14.

The server 16 may be operated or managed by a Mobile Network Operator (or MNO), a Mobile Virtual Network Operator (or MVNO), a banking Operator, a wire
25 communication network operator, a service Operator (or administrator) or on behalf of a service Operator, as a service provider.

The server 16 includes one or several CPU(s), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) 162, as data processing means, one or several memories 164, as data storing means, and one or several I/O interfaces 166 that are internally together
30 connected.

A (or the) server I/O interface 166 is used for communicating with external devices, such as the first device 14.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores preferably, besides an OS, an invention (server) authentication application accessible from the server 16 processor.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores or registers a database.

5 The database includes a set of e.g. first device accounts. The database relates to a set of e.g. first devices, as a fleet of first devices.

Each first device account may include one or several associated user identifiers, such as a user name.

The database includes preferably, in association with e.g. each (identified) first device account, a corresponding predetermined reference hash.

10 The predetermined reference hash has been previously (i.e. during an enrolment or registration phase and prior to any (context) authentication) registered while using the invention authentication process.

The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, a registered predetermined hash type algorithm.

15 The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms an LSH type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a TLSH type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

20 Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash distance with, as inputs, a generated hash (to be received from a client device) and a corresponding (registered) reference hash.

25 The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, a registered predetermined threshold value.

The predetermined threshold value has been previously (i.e. prior to any (context) authentication) registered. The predetermined threshold value is configurable according to a level of risk that the concerned service provider may take.

30 The (or each) server processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several server I/O interfaces.

The server 16 supports one or several OSs.

The server 16 supports a server application that allows the server 16, after a hash reception and a corresponding hash distance generation, to authenticate (or not), based on the hash distance, the concerned phone context.

5 The server 16 may be configured to generate and send an authentication policy to the first device, such as the phone 14, prior to any first device enrolment.

The server 16 is adapted to receive, from an (identified) client device, such as the phone 14, a generated hash.

The server 16 identifies, based on a received e.g. client device ID(s), a corresponding first device registered within the database accessible to the server 16.

10 Then, the server 16 retrieves a predetermined reference hash that is registered in association with the registered first device or a corresponding first device fleet.

According to an essential invention feature, the server 16 is configured to generate on-the-fly, i.e. when a first device launches a login (or connection) session with the server 16, a score, as a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and a
15 (registered) predetermined reference hash.

To generate the score, the server 16 uses the (retrieved) predetermined hash type algorithm and the (retrieved) predetermined reference hash.

The server 16 is adapted to authenticate successfully or not, based on the generated hash distance, the concerned context 12.

20 More exactly, the server 16 is configured to fail to authenticate the context 12 if the generated hash distance is less than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

The server 16 is configured to succeed in authenticating the context 12 if the generated hash distance is equal to or greater than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

25 The server 16 may be adapted to store, preferably in a secure and persistent manner, the (received) generated hash, each time the authentication is successful. Such a generated hash storage when the authentication is successful allows to trace the success authentication history or evolution.

Alternately (or additionally), each time the authentication is successful, the server
30 16 is arranged to register, instead of the predetermined reference hash, the (received) generated hash, as an updated reference hash to be used for a next authentication. The authentication process taking into account the last generated hash, as the updated

reference hash for a new (context) authentication, lets evolve the corresponding reference hash with the time at each authentication success.

Figure 2 depicts an example of a message flow 20 that involves the phone 14 and the server 16, so that the server 16 authenticates the context 12 based on a hash distance between a (received) generated hash and a (registered) predetermined reference hash.

It is assumed that the authentication policy has been provided during a personalization phase to the phone 14. The authentication policy requests to collect an image relating to the user 11 face, an image relating to the TV 13 and a phone ID, as three context data elements to be detected, so as to authenticate the user 11.

It is further assumed that the server 16 has previously registered (not represented) a user 11 ID in association with the phone 14 number, as a phone ID, a predetermined reference hash corresponding to the user 11 face image, the TV 13 image and the phone ID, as corresponding context data elements, a predetermined threshold value, such as e.g. 75%, and a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

It is assumed that the predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash and a corresponding hash distance is e.g. a LSH type algorithm.

The use of an LSH type algorithm allows generating similar hashes, i.e. a hash distance or score that is good, i.e. the score is equal or greater than the predefined threshold value, when there is a slight change between the hash relating to the current context under survey and the reference hash relating to a corresponding reference context.

The phone 14 thus constitutes a reference first (communication) device to be locally present within the user 11 context 12, so as to authenticate, through the context 12, the user 11.

It is further assumed that the phone 14 accesses the phone 14 ID and an image signal captured by the phone camera 142.

An execution of the client application supported by the phone 14 is automatically launched (i.e. without any involvement of the user 11).

Alternately, the user 11 launches the client application while using an MMI that is included in or connected to the phone 14.

The phone 14 gets, through the phone camera 142, an image signal 22 relating to all the physical human(s) (and/or animal(s)) and/or thing(s) that are present in front of the phone 14.

In the present scenario, the image signal includes e.g. the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image.

The phone 14 retrieves (not represented) from a phone memory the MSISDN of the phone 14, as the phone 14 ID.

Instead of collecting the phone 14 ID from a phone memory, the phone 14 collects from a locally connected device, such as an SE that has preferably authenticate a user e.g. through a PIN comparison to a reference PIN that is stored in an SE memory, the phone 14 ID 23.

The phone 14 collects 24 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image while extracting from the image signal 22 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image and the phone 14 ID, as three context data elements required by the authentication policy.

The phone 14 may group 26, based on the authentication policy, at least two context data elements, e.g., the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image, as one and the same context data element group, within the collected data elements.

The phone 14 constitutes 28, based on the collected context data elements, a data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data elements

Optionally, the phone 14 enciphers 210, based on the authentication policy, the (resulting) data packet, so as to improve the security aspect. The data packet that is thus enciphered while using a key depending on e.g. user authentication impacts on the corresponding hash distance (or score). If the user is not successfully authenticated (at the client side), then the corresponding resulting hash is remote from a predetermined reference hash leading to a "bad" hash distance (or score) and therefore a failure of context authentication (even if the other collected context data element(s) is(are) right with respect to a collected reference context data element(s) that produces the corresponding predetermined reference hash).

The phone 14 may weigh 212, based on the authentication policy (or the used predetermined hash type algorithm), more or less heavy, one or several collected context data elements and/or one or several groups of collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context data elements within the data packet.

Optionally, the phone 14 sorts 214, according to a numerical order, such as a decreasing or an increasing order, the collected context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part, possibly enciphered and/or possibly weighted, within the data packet.

5 Then, the phone 14 generates 216, by using e.g. a nilsimisa algorithm and the data packet, as input to the nilsimisa algorithm, a hash.

The phone 14 sends, through e.g., a Short Message Service (or SMS), Multimedia Messaging Service (or MMS), Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (or TCP/IP), or HTTP(s) type channel, to an (identified) server 16 a message 218 that
10 includes the phone ID and the generated hash.

Once the server 16 has received the message, the server 16 identifies (not represented), based on the phone ID, the concerned user 11 account and thus the associated predetermined reference hash and the associated predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

15 Then, the server 16 generates a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and the predetermined reference hash.

To generate the hash distance, the server 16 gets the reference hash and generates 220 a score by using e.g. the nilsimisa algorithm and the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash, as the two inputs to the nilsimisa algorithm.
20 The score is considered as a level of similarity between the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash. For instance with the nilsimisa algorithm, the score is "0" (zero) when there is no similarity i.e.0% of similarity, is "96" when there is 75% of similarity and is "128" when there is a full similarity, i.e. 100% of similarity.

Once the server 16 has generated the hash distance, the server 16 verifies 222
25 whether the authentication is or is not successful based on the generated hash distance. To do such an authentication verification, the server 16 compares 222 the generated score with respect to the predetermined threshold value.

If the generated score is less than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 fails 223 to authenticate, through the user context 12, the user 11 and denies
30 user access to the service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Otherwise, i.e. if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 succeeds 224 in authenticating, through the user

context 12, the user 11 and grants user access to a service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Optionally, if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, the server 16 registers 226 the received generated hash by either further enriching (or adding to) a database relating to the reference hashes in case of authentication success or substituting the received generated hash to the registered predetermined reference hash. Thus, in this latter case, the authentication process is continuously adaptive along the way the authentication context is evolving.

Optionally, the server 16 sends (not represented) to the phone 14, through the same channel or an out-of-band channel than the one used for the submission of the generated hash, a message that includes a request to present or display the authentication result. Then, the phone 14 presents or displays the authentication result (not represented), such as “authentication failure” or “authentication success”.

For the user, the invention solution is simple, easy, quick and practical since the user does not need to be involved. As a matter of fact, the user has just to present her or his face and the TV in front of the camera. The user does not need to enter any data, like e.g., an OTP, a number or a text on the first device, so as to let a first part collect the required context data elements and issue a corresponding hash to be verified by a second part, as its addressee, in order to be authenticated.

The invention solution allows carrying out a secure and efficient context authentication based on a hash distance that allows keeping flexibility.

The invention solution allows adapting to more or less small authentication context data element change(s), according to a level of risk to be adopted.

The invention solution does not include any oracle on the client (device) since it has no means for validating or verifying the generated hash. As a matter of fact, only the server is able to verify the generated hash.

The invention solution prevents thus from a client side brute-force attack of user authentication.

The embodiment that has just been described is not intended to limit the scope of the concerned invention. Other embodiments may be given. As another embodiment, instead of using an LR RF technology channel to transmit information to the second device, the first device uses a Short Range (or SR) RF technology(ies), like e.g., a Wi-

Fi, Bluetooth, a Near Field Communication or a Bluetooth Low Energy type technology(ies).

CLAIMS

1. An authentication method (20) comprising:
 - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
 - 5 - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
 - 10 - generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

- 15 2. Method according to claim 1, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:
 - generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
 - 20 - comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
 - authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

- 25 3. Method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet.

4. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, at least one
 - 30 of the at least one context data element.

5. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping, according to the authentication policy,

together at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group.

- 5 6. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering, according to the authentication policy, the data packet.
- 10 7. Method according to claim 6, wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function.
- 15 8. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the hash type algorithm includes at least one element of a group including:
 - a locality sensitive hash type algorithm;
 - 15 - a Trend micro Locality Sensitive Hash type algorithm;
 - a nilsimsa type algorithm;
 - an sdhash type algorithm;
 - an ssdeep type algorithm; and
 - a fuzzy matching type algorithm;
 - 20 - an approximate matching type algorithm;
 - a near duplicate matching type algorithm; and
 - a similarity detection type algorithm.
- 25 9. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, each time the authentication is successful, the method further comprises storing the generated hash.
- 30 10. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, each time the authentication is successful, the method further comprises registering, instead of the predetermined reference hash, the generated hash, as an updated reference hash to be used for a next authentication.
11. A first authentication device (14), **characterized in that** the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input
- 5 to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- send to a second authentication device the generated hash.

12. Device according to claim 11, wherein the first authentication device includes includes at least one element of a group including:

- 10 - a mobile phone;
- a Personal Computer;
- a vehicle;
- a desktop;
- a virtual reality device;
- 15 - an augment reality device;
- an Internet Of Things type device; and
- a computing device.

13. A second authentication device (16), **characterized in that** the second authentication device is configured to:

- 20 - receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

14. Device according to claim 13, wherein the second authentication device includes at least one element of a group including:

- a secure element;
- a local server;
- 30 - a remote server;
- a mobile phone;
- a Personal Computer;
- a vehicle;

- a desktop;
- a virtual reality device;
- an augment reality device;
- an Internet Of Things type device;
- 5 - a computing device.

15. An authentication system (10), **characterized in that**, the system comprising a first authentication device (14) and at least one second authentication device (16), the first authentication device is configured to:

- 10 - collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
 - constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - 15 - send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and
- in that** the second authentication device is configured to:
- receive from the first device, the generated hash;
 - generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - 20 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM**ABSTRACT**

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises:

- 5 - collecting 24, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constituting 28, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generating 216, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as
- 10 input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- sending the generated hash;
- generating 220, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating 224 successfully or not 223 based on the generated hash distance, as
- 15 an authentication step.

The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

Figure 2

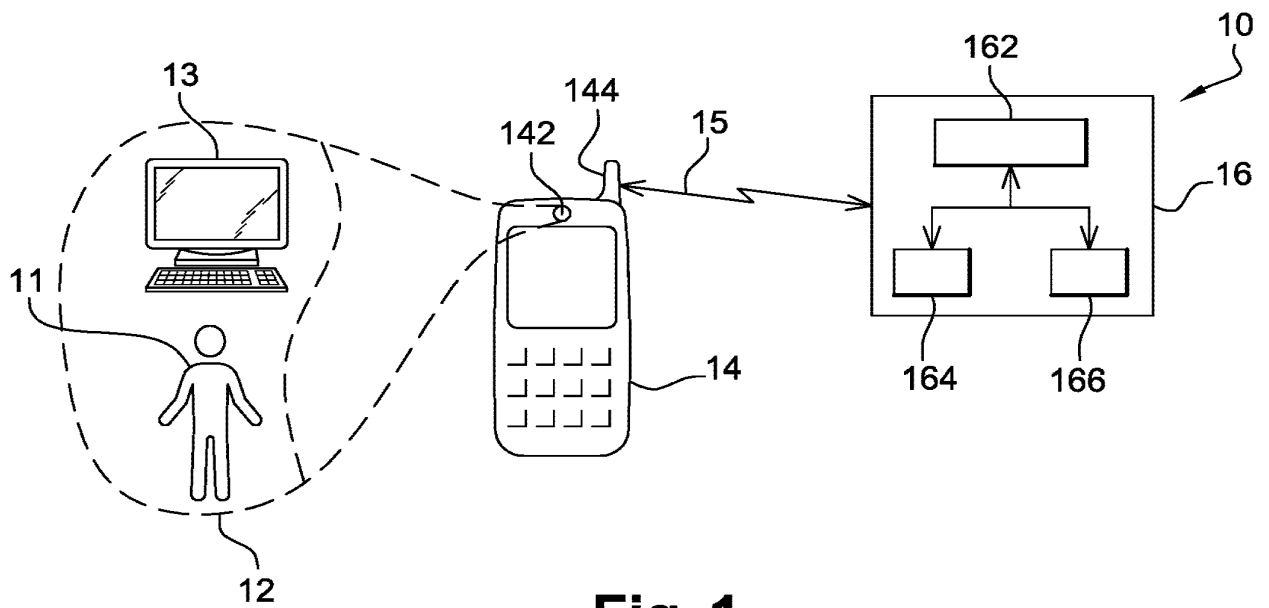
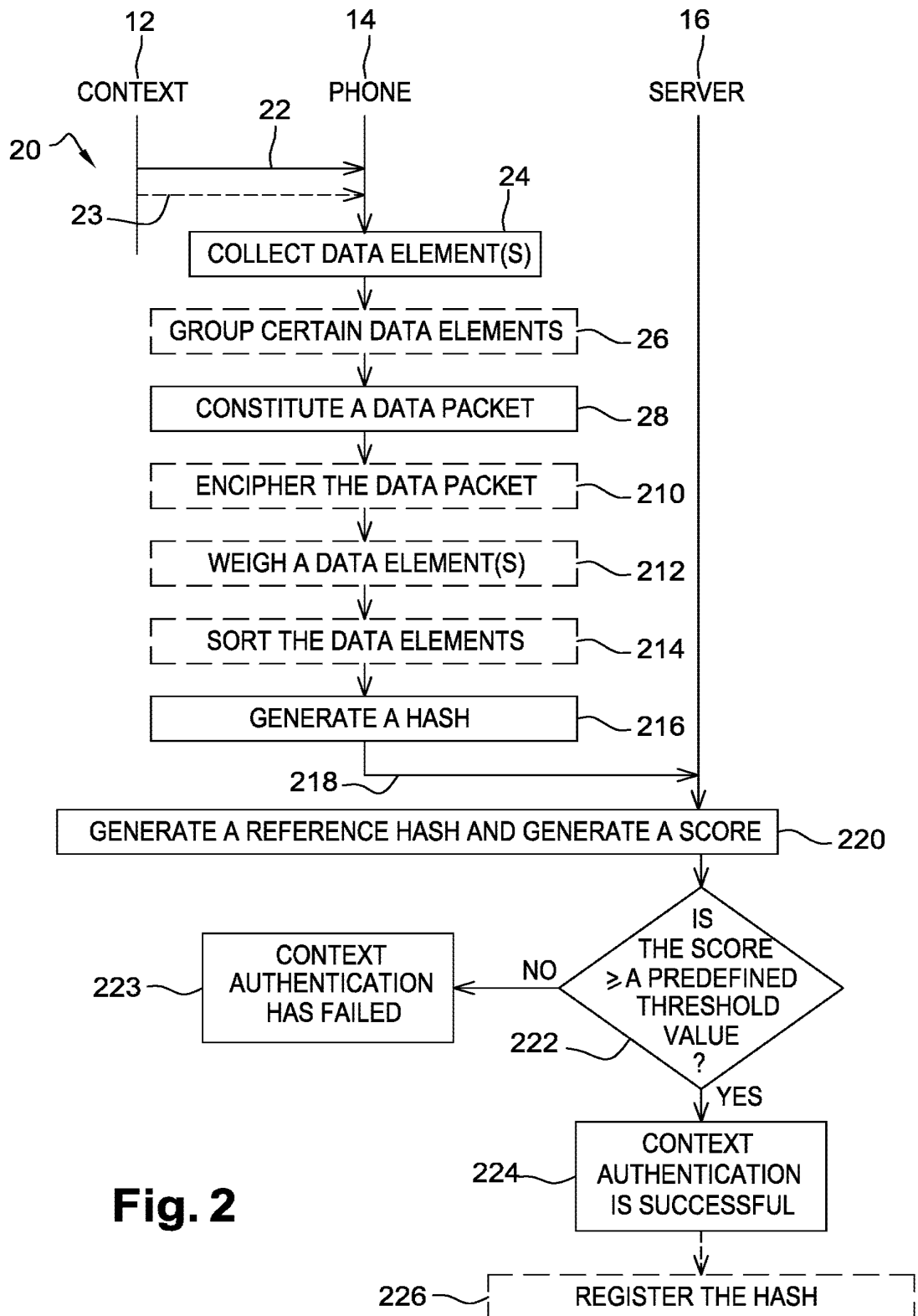


Fig. 1

**Fig. 2**

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To:

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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 27 November 2018 (27.11.2018)	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
Applicant's or agent's file reference GMT3707WO/DD	International application No. PCT/EP2018/081759

The applicant is hereby **notified** that the International Bureau has received the record copy of the international application as detailed below.

Name(s) of the applicant(s) and State(s) for which they are applicants:

GEMALTO SA (all designated States)

International filing date:

19 November 2018 (19.11.2018)

Priority date(s) claimed:

29 December 2017 (29.12.2017)

Date of receipt of the record copy by the International Bureau:

22 November 2018 (22.11.2018)

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- time limits for entry into the national phase (see www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time_limits.htm and *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Phase, especially Chapters 3 and 4)
- requirements regarding priority documents (if applicable) (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraph 5.070)

A copy of this notification is being sent to the receiving Office and to the International Searching Authority.

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PCTNOTIFICATION CONCERNING SUBMISSION,
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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 04 December 2018 (04.12.2018)	
Applicant's or agent's file reference GMT3707WO/DD	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
International application No. PCT/EP2018/081759	International filing date (day/month/year) 19 November 2018 (19.11.2018)
International publication date (day/month/year) Not yet published	Priority date (day/month/year) 29 December 2017 (29.12.2017)
Applicant GEMALTO SA	

The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (or of obtaining by the International Bureau) of the priority document(s) relating to all earlier application(s) whose priority is claimed. Unless otherwise indicated by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column or by an asterisk appearing next to the date of receipt, the priority document concerned was submitted or transmitted to or obtained by the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a), (b) or (b-bis). This Form replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission, transmittal or obtaining of priority documents.

Priority date	Priority application No.	Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office	Date of receipt of priority document
29 December 2017 (29.12.2017)	17306977.4	EP	28 November 2018 (28.11.2018)

The letters "NR" denote a priority document which, on the date of mailing of this Form, had not yet been received or obtained by the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a), (b) or (b-bis). Where the applicant has failed to either submit, request to prepare and transmit, or to request the International Bureau to obtain the priority document within the applicable time limit under that Rule, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

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**NOTIFICATION DE L'ENREGISTREMENT
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(règle 92bis.1 et instruction administrative 422 du PCT)

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Demande internationale n° PCT/EP2018/081759	Date du dépôt international (jour/mois/année) 19 novembre 2018 (19.11.2018)

1. Les renseignements suivants étaient enregistrés en ce qui concerne :

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(PCT Rule 47.1(c))

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30 April 2020 (30.04.2020)

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19 November 2018 (19.11.2018)

Priority date (day/month/year)

29 December 2017 (29.12.2017)

Applicant

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- ATTENTION.** For any designated Office(s), for which the time limit under Article 22(1), as in force from 1 April 2002 (30 months from the priority date), **does not apply**, please see Form PCT/IB/308(First Notice) issued previously.
- Notice is hereby given that the following designated Office(s), for which the time limit under Article 22(1), as in force from 1 April 2002, **does apply**, has/have requested that the communication of the international application, as provided for in Article 20, be effected under Rule 93bis.1. The International Bureau has effected that communication on the date indicated below:
04 July 2019 (04.07.2019)

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In accordance with Rule 47.1(c-bis)(i), those Offices will accept the present notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

- The following designated Offices, for which the time limit under Article 22(1), as in force from 1 April 2002, **does apply**, have not requested, as at the time of mailing of the present notice, that the communication of the international application be effected under Rule 93bis.1:

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In accordance with Rule 47.1(c-bis)(ii), those Offices accept the present notice as conclusive evidence that the Contracting State for which that Office acts as a designated Office does not require the furnishing, under Article 22, by the applicant of a copy of the international application.

4. TIME LIMITS for entry into the national phase

For the designated or elected Office(s) listed above, the applicable time limit for entering the national phase will, **subject to what is said in the following paragraph**, be **30 MONTHS** from the priority date.

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PCTNOTIFICATION CONCERNING THE
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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 24 April 2019 (24.04.2019)	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION
Applicant's or agent's file reference GMT3707WO/DD	
International application No. PCT/EP2018/081759	International filing date (day/month/year) 19 November 2018 (19.11.2018)
Applicant GEMALTO SA	

1. The applicant is hereby notified that amendments to the claims under Article 19 were received by the International Bureau on:
19 April 2019 (19.04.2019) .

2. This date is:

☒ within the time limit under Rule 46.1.

Consequently, the international publication of the international application will contain the amended claims according to Rule 48.2(f), (h) and (i).

☐ after the expiration of the time limit under Rule 46.1.

Consequently, the amendments will not be published and will not be considered for the international procedure.

3. The applicant is reminded that the international application (description, claims and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination under Chapter II, according to Article 34, and in any case, before each of the designated Offices, according to Article 28 and Rule 52, or before each of the elected Offices, according to Article 41 and Rule 78.

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World Intellectual Property Organization
International Office

Gémenos, April 19th 2019

Ref.: GMT3707-WO/DD

Application: n° PCT/EP2018/081759

Applicant: GEMALTO SA

Subject: Amendment of the claims of the International Application

Dear Madam, dear Sir

Please find herewith attached a set of claims as amended under Article 19 PCT and Rule 46.1 PCT after the transmittal of the international search report and the written opinion of the international searching authority dated January 22nd 2019.

Claims 1-7 are unchanged.

Previous claims 8-10, 12 and 14 have been deleted.

Claims 8-10 are previous claims 11, 13 and 15 respectively.

With best regards.

David Dagès
Patent Engineer

Claims

- [Claim 1] An authentication method (20) comprising:
- [Claim 2] collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- [Claim 3] constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- [Claim 4] generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- [Claim 5] sending the generated hash;
- [Claim 6] generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- [Claim 7] authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.
- [Claim 8] Method according to claim 1, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:
- generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
 - comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
 - authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.
- [Claim 9] Method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet.
- [Claim 10] Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, at least one of the at least one context data element.
- [Claim 11] Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping, according to the authentication policy, together at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group.
- [Claim 12] Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering, according to the au-

- thentication policy, the data packet.
- [Claim 13] Method according to claim 6, wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function.
- [Claim 14] A first authentication device (14), **characterized in that** the first authentication device is configured to:
- [Claim 15] collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- [Claim 16] constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- [Claim 17] generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- [Claim 18] send to a second authentication device the generated hash.
- [Claim 19] A second authentication device (16), **characterized in that** the second authentication device is configured to:
- receive a generated hash;
 - generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.
- [Claim 20] An authentication system (10), **characterized in that**, the system comprising a first authentication device (14) and at least one second authentication device (16), the first authentication device is configured to:
- [Claim 21] collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- [Claim 22] constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- [Claim 23] generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- [Claim 24] send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and **in that** the second authentication device is configured to:
- [Claim 25] receive from the first device, the generated hash;
- [Claim 26] generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- [Claim 27] authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

CLAIMS

1. An authentication method (20) comprising:
 - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
 - 5 - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
 - 10 - generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

- 15 2. Method according to claim 1, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:
 - generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
 - 20 - comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
 - authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

- 25 3. Method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet.

- 30 4. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, at least one of the at least one context data element.

5. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping, according to the authentication policy,

together at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group.

6. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering, according to the authentication policy, the data packet.

7. Method according to claim 6, wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function.

8. A first authentication device (14), **characterized in that** the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- send to a second authentication device the generated hash.

9. A second authentication device (16), **characterized in that** the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

10. An authentication system (10), **characterized in that**, the system comprising a first authentication device (14) and at least one second authentication device (16), the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;

- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and

5 **in that** the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive from the first device, the generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

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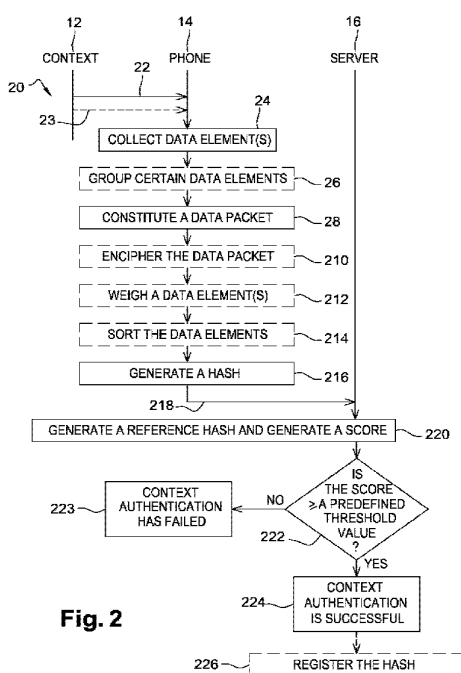


Fig. 2

(57) **Abstract:** The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; - generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; - sending the generated hash; - generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and - authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step. The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

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AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM

Field of the invention:

The present invention relates generally to an authentication method and an authentication device.

5 Furthermore, the invention pertains to an authentication system as well. The system includes at least two devices.

The present invention is notably applicable to a field in which a first device is e.g. a mobile (tele)phone or a Personal Computer (or PC) and a second device is e.g. a (local) Secure Element (or SE) or a remote server.

10 Within the present description, an SE is a smart object that includes a chip(s) that protect(s), as a tamper resistant component(s), access to stored data and that is intended to communicate data with a device(s), like e.g., an SE host device, and/or an SE user.

State of the art:

15 EP 2 924 603 A2 describes a user authentication technique based on a transmission, from a client to a server, of a captured video signal including a physical user characteristic(s) and a physical object(s)/element(s) in the user environment. The sever analyses the captured video signal to determine a value associated with each of the visual and audio elements, as environment characteristics. The server determines a
20 total score for the captured video signal and compares the total score to a predetermined reference score. The server decides to authorize (or not) based on a comparison result.

However, such a known solution requires a big bandwidth, namely several Mb, for an upload of the captured video signal. Moreover, the uploaded captured video signal
25 includes information that discloses the user environment and therefore private data.

There is a need of an alternative authentication solution while being more efficient and more secure than such an aforementioned known solution.

Summary of the invention:

The invention proposes a solution for satisfying the just herein above specified
30 need by providing an authentication method.

According to the invention, the method comprises:

- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;

- constituting, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
- 5 - generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

10 The principle of the invention consists in capturing, at a client device side, (local) context (or environment) data element(s) depending on an authentication policy, building a corresponding data packet and determining with a predefined hash type algorithm and, as input, the data packet a corresponding hash. The client device sends the determined hash. Then, a hash distance between the determined hash and a predefined reference hash is determined. The thus determined hash distance is then

15 used for authenticating (or not) the tested authentication context (under survey).

20 The authentication policy defines notably the number and/or the nature of the context data element(s) to be captured. The authentication policy may include data relating to the used (client) device, a user, object(s) or thing(s) to be locally present and detected. To capture the context data element(s), the invention does not impose any

20 constraint. The client device may use a camera(s), a microphone(s) and/or one or several sensors that is(are) incorporated within or connected to the client device.

25 The invention (authentication) solution is, through the authentication policy, configurable and therefore adaptable to different (local) environment or context scenario(s).

25 Since the client device (or a cooperating device, such as an SE), where there is an environment to be authenticated, generates (or determines) a hash from a data packet resulting from captured environment or context data element(s), the hash is transmitted in a secure and protected manner.

30 A software component, such as a library, a hardware component and/or a device may carry out the hash distance generation step and the authentication step. The software component may be supported by the client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server. The hardware component may be incorporated within or connected or coupled to the

client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server.

It is noteworthy that the hash distance generation step provides a hash distance that allows to determine whether the generated hash is more or less close to a predefined reference hash. The hash distance allows inferring whether the corresponding captured context data element(s) is(are) or is(are) not successfully authenticated, i.e. sufficiently close to respective predetermined reference captured context data element(s).

The hash distance may be generated through a hash type comparison algorithm.

An authentication of the concerned (local) environment or context under survey is therefore carried out through such a hash distance that is specific to (or characterizes) the invention solution.

The hash distance allows the invention solution to be resilient to more or less small changes with respect to the predefined reference hash while still authenticating successfully the concerned (local) environment or context, i.e. the value of at least some captured (or collected) context data element(s) has changed slightly.

It is to be noted that the hash or digest, as a byte stream relating to original captured context data element(s), is a string of bits with a resulting length, from e.g. 32 bytes to e.g. a few kbytes. The resulting length may be (or not) variable according to the captured context data element(s).

The hash relates to the original (captured) context data element(s) and reduces the number of bits (or elements of information) to be transferred with respect to the original context data element(s).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution does not need a large bandwidth to transmit data, including the hash, relating to the concerned environment or context, since the data relating to the concerned context includes only a few data (up to a few kbytes) to be transmitted.

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution is therefore efficient.

Moreover, the hash obfuscates the concerned original context data element(s), i.e. does not disclose any original context data element(s) in plain text.

Since no data relating to the privacy is transmitted in plain text, the invention is thus compliant with data privacy and therefore the Generation Data Protection Regulation (or GDPR).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, due to the use of a hash (and not the use of the concerned captured context data element(s) in plain text), the invention solution is secure.

The invention solution is an environment or context authentication solution that allows authenticating the concerned (local) environment or context under survey.

The invention solution is user convenient.

Advantageously, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:

- generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
- comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
- authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

The LSH type algorithm, as a hash type algorithm, is advantageously used to generate a score, as a hash distance used for comparing the generated hash to the predefined reference hash.

The generated score is then checked with respect to a predefined threshold value, so as to authenticate (or not) the concerned context.

Thus, the invention solution may be, through the score, as the hash distance, more or less permissive with respect to the predefined reference hash that has to be approached by the generated hash from the collected context data element(s).

It is to be noted that the score is either the hash distance itself or the result of a computation derived from the (hash) distance depending on the used algorithm for comparing the generated hash.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a first authentication device.

According to the invention, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;

- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- send to a second device the generated hash.

5 The first authentication device may be a mobile phone, a PC or any computing device.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a second authentication device.

According to the invention, the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- 10 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

The second authentication device may be a secure element, a remote server or any computing device.

According to still a further aspect, the invention is an authentication system.

15 According to the invention, the system comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- 20 - constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and

the second authentication device is configured to:

- 25 - receive from the first device, the generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

Brief description of the drawings:

30 Additional features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from a detailed description of one preferred embodiment of the invention, given as an indicative and non-limitative example, in conjunction with the following drawings:

- Figure 1 illustrates a simplified diagram of an exemplary embodiment of a system comprising a mobile phone and a server, the phone being configured to collect, based on a predefined authentication policy, a data element(s) comprised within the phone context, constitute a corresponding data packet, generate a corresponding hash, and send to the server the hash, the server being configured to generate a hash distance between the hash and a predetermined reference hash and authenticate, based on to the hash distance, the concerned context, according to the invention; and

- Figure 2 represents an example of a flow of messages exchanged between the user, the phone and the server of the system of figure 1, so that the server receives a hash generated at the client side, generates a corresponding hash distance and authenticates (or not), thanks to the generated hash distance, the concerned context.

Detailed description:

Herein under is considered an exemplary embodiment in which the invention authentication method is implemented notably by a phone, as a client (computer) device and a standalone entity, i.e. without cooperating with another device, such as an SE, and a remote server.

According to another exemplary embodiment (not represented), the invention authentication method is implemented by a computer device, as a terminal, in cooperation with an SE embedded within or connected to the terminal. According to such an embodiment, the SE, as a local and second authentication device, is adapted to perform the functions that are carried out by the server and described herein below while enhancing the security of stored and/or processed data.

The SE may be an incorporated chip, as a chip soldered, possibly in a removable manner, like e.g., an embedded SE, an embedded Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or eUICC) or an integrated Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or iUICC), on a Printed Circuit Board (or PCB) of the terminal, or a chip that is coupled to the terminal and included within a Universal Serial Bus (or USB), a smart card or any other medium (that may have different form factors), as an SE host device. The chip may thus be fixed to or removable from its host device, like e.g., the mobile phone.

The invention does not impose any constraint as to a kind of the SE type.

Naturally, the herein below described embodiment is only for exemplifying purposes and is not considered to reduce the scope of the present invention.

Figure 1 shows schematically an (authentication) system 10 that includes a (mobile) phone 14 and a remote (web) server 16.

The system is arranged to authenticate (or not) a context 12 (or environment) under survey.

5 The context 12 includes e.g. a user 11, as the owner of the phone 14.

Additionally (or alternately), the context 12 includes e.g. a TeleVision (or TV) set 13, as a physical object or thing.

However, the invention (authentication) solution is also applicable when the context 12 includes one or several human beings (and/or animal(s)) and/or one or
10 several (physical) things.

For the sake of simplicity, only one phone 14, as a first (authentication) device, and only one user 11 and one object, as context data elements, have been represented.

However, the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, manages a set of context accounts and respective reference (context) hashes that have been previously
15 respectively registered while using the same invention authentication process.

Instead of being constituted by a phone, the first device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game
20 console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or any other computer device. Such a list of first devices is given as mere examples for a first device that may be used without being exhaustive.

Instead of being constituted by a physical first device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra
25 and that are performed by the phone 14.

The phone 14 includes one or several Central Processing Unit(s) (or CPU), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) (not represented), as data processing means, one or several memories (not represented), as data storing means, and one or several Input/Output (or I/O) interfaces (not represented).

30 The (or each) phone processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several phone I/O interfaces.

The phone memories may include one or several EEPROMs (acronym for “Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory”), one or several ROMs (acronym for “Read Only Memory”), one or several Flash memories and/or any other memories of different types, like e.g., one or several RAMs (acronym for “Random
5 Access Memory”).

The phone 14 supports one or several Operating Systems (or OS).

The phone 14 supports a client application that allows the phone 14 to send, after a context data element collection, a corresponding data packet constitution and a corresponding hash generation, to the server 16 information including the generated
10 hash. The generated hash allows the server 16 to authenticate (or not) the concerned context 12.

A phone 14 memory (and/or a memory of another device connected or coupled to the phone 14) stores a Mobile Station International Subscriber Directory Number (or MSISDN), as the phone 14 number, and/or the like, as a phone 14 Identifiers (or ID), ,
15 an International Mobile Equipment Identity (or IMEI), an email address and/or other data that allow(s) uniquely identifying the phone 14, as the first device.

The phone I/O interface(s) may comprise (and/or be connected to) a display screen and a keyboard, as a phone Man Machine Interface (or MMI), so as to interact with the user 11.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., a camera 142, so as to capture or collect
20 video or picture data that is included in the environment or context that is present in front of the camera 142.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., one or several sensors that allow each to collect data relating to the context of the phone 14.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., an antenna 144, allowing to transmit
25 data, through a Radio-Frequency (or RF) link(s) 15, as a wireless link(s), via a possible (communication) network(s), to the server 16.

The RF may be fixed at several hundreds of MHz, e.g., around 850, 900, 1800, 1900 and/or 2100 MHz, as Long Range (or LR) type RF.

The RF link 15 between the phone 14 and the server 16 is at least mono-
30 directional, namely at least an uplink, i.e. from the phone 14 to the server 16.

The channel may be related to an HyperText Transfer Protocol (or HTTP) (Secure) (registered trademark) type channel, an Over-The-Air (or OTA), an Over-The-Internet (or OTI) type channel or any other data communication channel.

The channel using the RF link 15 may be secure or unsecure.

5 The phone 14 is arranged to collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, an image (or picture) (and/or a video signal) including image data relating to the user 11 face and image data relating to the TV 13, as data elements included in the context (relating to the phone 14).

10 To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may use a Machine Learning (or ML) engine to analyse a collected (or captured) image.

Each context data element is preferably a string of bits (or units of information) with an individual fixed length.

15 The authentication policy allows configuring the phone 14 to process data originating from a surrounding environment of the phone 14, so as to authenticate the concerned environment.

20 The authentication policy is preferably previously (prior to launching an authentication process) provided by the server 16 or another server (not represented) connected to the server 16. The authentication policy comprises a set of identified context data elements to be collected, so as to define context data element(s) to be collected.

25 As context data element(s), the context data element(s) may include, besides image data relating to the user face and image data relating to the TV 13, other data, such as a phone ID, a Service Set Identifier (or SSID), an OS version ID, geolocation data (like e.g., Global Positioning System (or GPS) data), a user 11 heart rate (not represented) and/or other data. To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may get or retrieve data, such as a phone ID, stored in a memory included within the phone 14 or a device connected or coupled to the phone 14.

30 The authentication policy may also define how the concerned context data element(s) is transformed into a corresponding data packet, how the resulting data packet is possibly processed, such as grouped, ciphered, weighted and/or sorted, and/or how a corresponding hash has to be generated.

The authentication policy may comprise information allowing to group together at least certain collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context

data element(s). Thus, certain context data elements are to be grouped within one and the same group, such as data relating to the operation of the phone 14, like e.g., an SSID and/or an OS version ID, and/or data relating to the audio and/or visual environment.

5 When two or more collected context data elements are grouped, the concerned collected context data element group impacts the corresponding generated hash distance (or score) by increasing the hash distance (or score) variation, i.e. if at least one of the collected context data elements within a concerned group changes, then the resulting corresponding generated hash distance (or score) varies more than if all of the
10 collected context data elements of the group were kept (individually) separated from each other.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that a data packet that results from the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be ciphered by using a key generated from submitted user authentication data (or one or
15 several data items originating from one or several external sources, such as a thermometer) (instead of being ciphered, being processed by a keyed one way function (i.e. non reversible), such as HMAC type function). Such a data packet ciphering request may further specify to use a specific encryption key, a specific encryption key
20 generation algorithm, a specific data encryption algorithm and/or a process to generate the concerned encryption key or algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using user authentication data, such as a Personal Identity Number (or PIN), a One-Time Password (or OTP), a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s), and/or data
25 provided by one or several external sources, such as an SE, as input to an (identified) key generation algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using a Hash-based Message Authentication Code (or HMAC) key derivation function.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a user authentication to be used for authenticating the user 11, when applicable, i.e. when the user authentication data is to be included in the context data element(s). For example, the
30 user 11 has to authenticate by providing a PIN, an OTP, a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s).

The authentication policy may comprise one or several weights to be associated with a specific (identified) group(s) and/or a specific (identified) context data element(s), so as to give heavier importance to the concerned group(s) and/or context data element(s) with respect to the other collected group(s) and/or collected context data element(s) within a corresponding data packet.

The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that, prior to generating a corresponding hash, the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be sorted, according to a predetermined numerical order, such as an increasing or decreasing numerical order.

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash relating to the collected context data element(s).

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying several hash type algorithms to be used for generating several hashes relating to the collected context data elements which may have separate natures of data elements. The corresponding hash distance (or score) to be generated is then averaged (or weighted) the hashes resulting from each hash type algorithms.

Optionally, the phone 14 is arranged, preferably according to the authentication policy, to group at least two collected context data elements within the collected context data elements within the data packet.

The phone 14 is adapted to constitute, based on the collected context data element(s), a (resulting) data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a kind of passphrase comprising, as word(s), the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a string of bits (or units of information) with a resulting length that may vary depending on the collected context data element length(s) between separate context authentication sessions. The data packet length corresponds to an addition of all of the individual length(s) relating to the collected context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone 14 is adapted, preferably according to the authentication policy, to cipher or encrypt the data packet. Each of the context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part is thus ciphered by using a predetermined encryption key. The encryption key may have been generated by using a HMAC type derivation function.

Optionally, the phone is adapted to weigh, according to the authentication policy, one or several (identified) collected context data element(s) of the collected context data element(s) that may have been previously grouped within the data packet. Such a collected context data element weighing may depend on a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash. Such a collected context data element weighing allows favouring the concerned collected context data element(s) and/or the concerned context data group(s) with respect to the other context data elements comprised within the concerned data packet. To weigh the concerned context data element(s), the phone 14 may duplicate the concerned context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone is arranged preferably according to the authentication policy, to sort, according to a numerical order, such as an increasing or a decreasing numerical order, the collected context data element(s) within the data packet. Such a (collected) context data element sorting allows preserving, depending on the used hash type algorithm, a generation of a corresponding hash and therefore a corresponding hash distance, i.e. the hash to be generated does not change when the concerned context data element sorting order is kept.

According to an essential invention feature, the phone 14 is configured to generate a hash by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm.

The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms: a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a Trend micro Locality Sensitive Hash (or TLSH) type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash with, as input, a data packet.

The hash type algorithm may incorporate a weighting, within the collected context data element(s), of one or several context data elements and/or one or several context data element group(s).

The phone 14 is arranged to send to the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, the generated hash.

Such a generated hash, as a cipher and a kind of context signature, allows not to disclose any original (user) private data that has been locally collected and therefore preserve the data privacy.

The generated hash has a fixed length that is a few data (up to a few kbits).

5 Instead of being constituted by a (physical) server, the second device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or
10 any other computer device. Such a list of second devices is given as mere examples for a second device that may be used without being exhaustive.

Instead of being constituted by a physical second device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the server 16.

15 The server 16 is connected to the phone 14 over the link 15.

The server 16 is remote and accessible through possibly one, two or more communication networks, such as an Intranet network and/or an Internet network, that allow to define or form a corresponding communication channel.

The corresponding communication channel may be secure or unsecure.

20 According to an alternative embodiment (not represented), the server 16 is local. For example, the server 16 is embedded within a device, such as an SE that is connected or coupled to the PC 14.

The server 16 may be operated or managed by a Mobile Network Operator (or MNO), a Mobile Virtual Network Operator (or MVNO), a banking Operator, a wire
25 communication network operator, a service Operator (or administrator) or on behalf of a service Operator, as a service provider.

The server 16 includes one or several CPU(s), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) 162, as data processing means, one or several memories 164, as data storing means, and one or several I/O interfaces 166 that are internally together
30 connected.

A (or the) server I/O interface 166 is used for communicating with external devices, such as the first device 14.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores preferably, besides an OS, an invention (server) authentication application accessible from the server 16 processor.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores or registers a database.

5 The database includes a set of e.g. first device accounts. The database relates to a set of e.g. first devices, as a fleet of first devices.

Each first device account may include one or several associated user identifiers, such as a user name.

The database includes preferably, in association with e.g. each (identified) first device account, a corresponding predetermined reference hash.

10 The predetermined reference hash has been previously (i.e. during an enrolment or registration phase and prior to any (context) authentication) registered while using the invention authentication process.

The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, a registered predetermined hash type algorithm.

15 The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms an LSH type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a TLSH type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

20 Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash distance with, as inputs, a generated hash (to be received from a client device) and a corresponding (registered) reference hash.

The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, 25 a registered predetermined threshold value.

The predetermined threshold value has been previously (i.e. prior to any (context) authentication) registered. The predetermined threshold value is configurable according to a level of risk that the concerned service provider may take.

30 The (or each) server processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several server I/O interfaces.

The server 16 supports one or several OSs.

The server 16 supports a server application that allows the server 16, after a hash reception and a corresponding hash distance generation, to authenticate (or not), based on the hash distance, the concerned phone context.

5 The server 16 may be configured to generate and send an authentication policy to the first device, such as the phone 14, prior to any first device enrolment.

The server 16 is adapted to receive, from an (identified) client device, such as the phone 14, a generated hash.

The server 16 identifies, based on a received e.g. client device ID(s), a corresponding first device registered within the database accessible to the server 16.

10 Then, the server 16 retrieves a predetermined reference hash that is registered in association with the registered first device or a corresponding first device fleet.

According to an essential invention feature, the server 16 is configured to generate on-the-fly, i.e. when a first device launches a login (or connection) session with the server 16, a score, as a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and a
15 (registered) predetermined reference hash.

To generate the score, the server 16 uses the (retrieved) predetermined hash type algorithm and the (retrieved) predetermined reference hash.

The server 16 is adapted to authenticate successfully or not, based on the generated hash distance, the concerned context 12.

20 More exactly, the server 16 is configured to fail to authenticate the context 12 if the generated hash distance is less than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

The server 16 is configured to succeed in authenticating the context 12 if the generated hash distance is equal to or greater than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

25 The server 16 may be adapted to store, preferably in a secure and persistent manner, the (received) generated hash, each time the authentication is successful. Such a generated hash storage when the authentication is successful allows to trace the success authentication history or evolution.

Alternately (or additionally), each time the authentication is successful, the server
30 16 is arranged to register, instead of the predetermined reference hash, the (received) generated hash, as an updated reference hash to be used for a next authentication. The authentication process taking into account the last generated hash, as the updated

reference hash for a new (context) authentication, lets evolve the corresponding reference hash with the time at each authentication success.

Figure 2 depicts an example of a message flow 20 that involves the phone 14 and the server 16, so that the server 16 authenticates the context 12 based on a hash distance between a (received) generated hash and a (registered) predetermined reference hash.

It is assumed that the authentication policy has been provided during a personalization phase to the phone 14. The authentication policy requests to collect an image relating to the user 11 face, an image relating to the TV 13 and a phone ID, as three context data elements to be detected, so as to authenticate the user 11.

It is further assumed that the server 16 has previously registered (not represented) a user 11 ID in association with the phone 14 number, as a phone ID, a predetermined reference hash corresponding to the user 11 face image, the TV 13 image and the phone ID, as corresponding context data elements, a predetermined threshold value, such as e.g. 75%, and a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

It is assumed that the predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash and a corresponding hash distance is e.g. a LSH type algorithm.

The use of an LSH type algorithm allows generating similar hashes, i.e. a hash distance or score that is good, i.e. the score is equal or greater than the predefined threshold value, when there is a slight change between the hash relating to the current context under survey and the reference hash relating to a corresponding reference context.

The phone 14 thus constitutes a reference first (communication) device to be locally present within the user 11 context 12, so as to authenticate, through the context 12, the user 11.

It is further assumed that the phone 14 accesses the phone 14 ID and an image signal captured by the phone camera 142.

An execution of the client application supported by the phone 14 is automatically launched (i.e. without any involvement of the user 11).

Alternately, the user 11 launches the client application while using an MMI that is included in or connected to the phone 14.

The phone 14 gets, through the phone camera 142, an image signal 22 relating to all the physical human(s) (and/or animal(s)) and/or thing(s) that are present in front of the phone 14.

5 In the present scenario, the image signal includes e.g. the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image.

The phone 14 retrieves (not represented) from a phone memory the MSISDN of the phone 14, as the phone 14 ID.

10 Instead of collecting the phone 14 ID from a phone memory, the phone 14 collects from a locally connected device, such as an SE that has preferably authenticate a user e.g. through a PIN comparison to a reference PIN that is stored in an SE memory, the phone 14 ID 23.

The phone 14 collects 24 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image while extracting from the image signal 22 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image and the phone 14 ID, as three context data elements required by the authentication policy.

15 The phone 14 may group 26, based on the authentication policy, at least two context data elements, e.g., the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image, as one and the same context data element group, within the collected data elements.

The phone 14 constitutes 28, based on the collected context data elements, a data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data elements

20 Optionally, the phone 14 enciphers 210, based on the authentication policy, the (resulting) data packet, so as to improve the security aspect. The data packet that is thus enciphered while using a key depending on e.g. user authentication impacts on the corresponding hash distance (or score). If the user is not successfully authenticated (at the client side), then the corresponding resulting hash is remote from a predetermined reference hash leading to a "bad" hash distance (or score) and therefore a failure of context authentication (even if the other collected context data element(s) is(are) right with respect to a collected reference context data element(s) that produces the corresponding predetermined reference hash).

25 The phone 14 may weigh 212, based on the authentication policy (or the used predetermined hash type algorithm), more or less heavy, one or several collected context data elements and/or one or several groups of collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context data elements within the data packet.

Optionally, the phone 14 sorts 214, according to a numerical order, such as a decreasing or an increasing order, the collected context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part, possibly enciphered and/or possibly weighted, within the data packet.

5 Then, the phone 14 generates 216, by using e.g. a nilsimisa algorithm and the data packet, as input to the nilsimisa algorithm, a hash.

The phone 14 sends, through e.g., a Short Message Service (or SMS), Multimedia Messaging Service (or MMS), Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (or TCP/IP), or HTTP(s) type channel, to an (identified) server 16 a message 218 that
10 includes the phone ID and the generated hash.

Once the server 16 has received the message, the server 16 identifies (not represented), based on the phone ID, the concerned user 11 account and thus the associated predetermined reference hash and the associated predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

15 Then, the server 16 generates a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and the predetermined reference hash.

To generate the hash distance, the server 16 gets the reference hash and generates 220 a score by using e.g. the nilsimisa algorithm and the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash, as the two inputs to the nilsimisa algorithm.
20 The score is considered as a level of similarity between the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash. For instance with the nilsimisa algorithm, the score is "0" (zero) when there is no similarity i.e.0% of similarity, is "96" when there is 75% of similarity and is "128" when there is a full similarity, i.e. 100% of similarity.

Once the server 16 has generated the hash distance, the server 16 verifies 222
25 whether the authentication is or is not successful based on the generated hash distance. To do such an authentication verification, the server 16 compares 222 the generated score with respect to the predetermined threshold value.

If the generated score is less than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 fails 223 to authenticate, through the user context 12, the user 11 and denies
30 user access to the service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Otherwise, i.e. if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 succeeds 224 in authenticating, through the user

context 12, the user 11 and grants user access to a service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Optionally, if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, the server 16 registers 226 the received generated hash by either further enriching (or adding to) a database relating to the reference hashes in case of authentication success or substituting the received generated hash to the registered predetermined reference hash. Thus, in this latter case, the authentication process is continuously adaptive along the way the authentication context is evolving.

Optionally, the server 16 sends (not represented) to the phone 14, through the same channel or an out-of-band channel than the one used for the submission of the generated hash, a message that includes a request to present or display the authentication result. Then, the phone 14 presents or displays the authentication result (not represented), such as "authentication failure" or "authentication success".

For the user, the invention solution is simple, easy, quick and practical since the user does not need to be involved. As a matter of fact, the user has just to present her or his face and the TV in front of the camera. The user does not need to enter any data, like e.g., an OTP, a number or a text on the first device, so as to let a first part collect the required context data elements and issue a corresponding hash to be verified by a second part, as its addressee, in order to be authenticated.

The invention solution allows carrying out a secure and efficient context authentication based on a hash distance that allows keeping flexibility.

The invention solution allows adapting to more or less small authentication context data element change(s), according to a level of risk to be adopted.

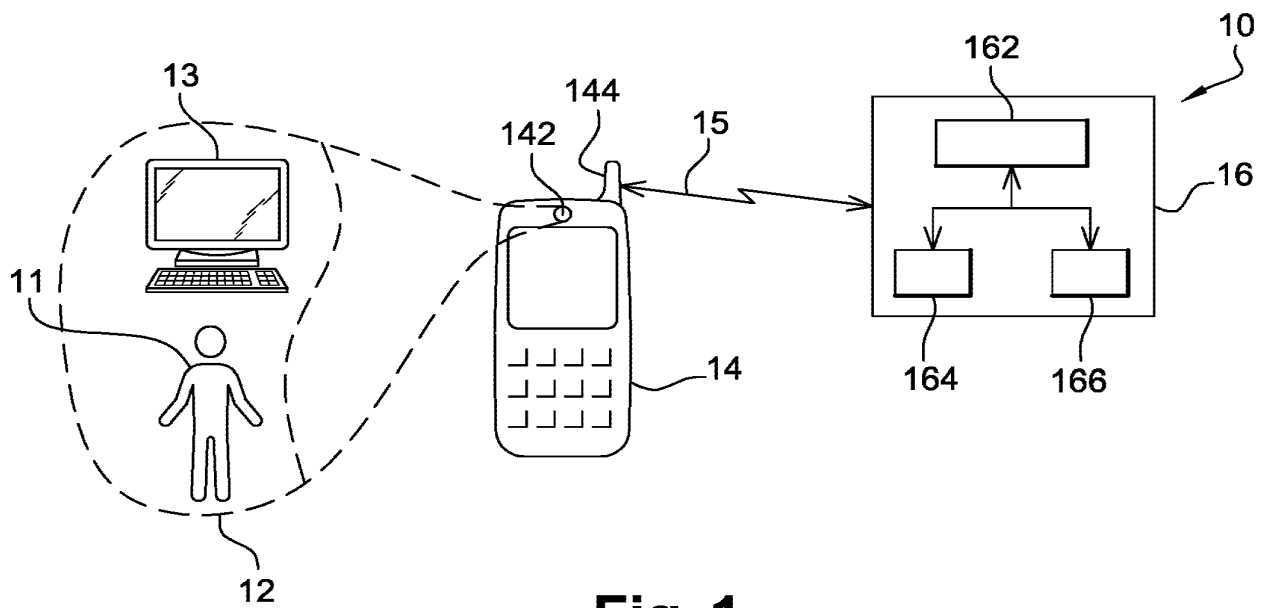
The invention solution does not include any oracle on the client (device) since it has no means for validating or verifying the generated hash. As a matter of fact, only the server is able to verify the generated hash.

The invention solution prevents thus from a client side brute-force attack of user authentication.

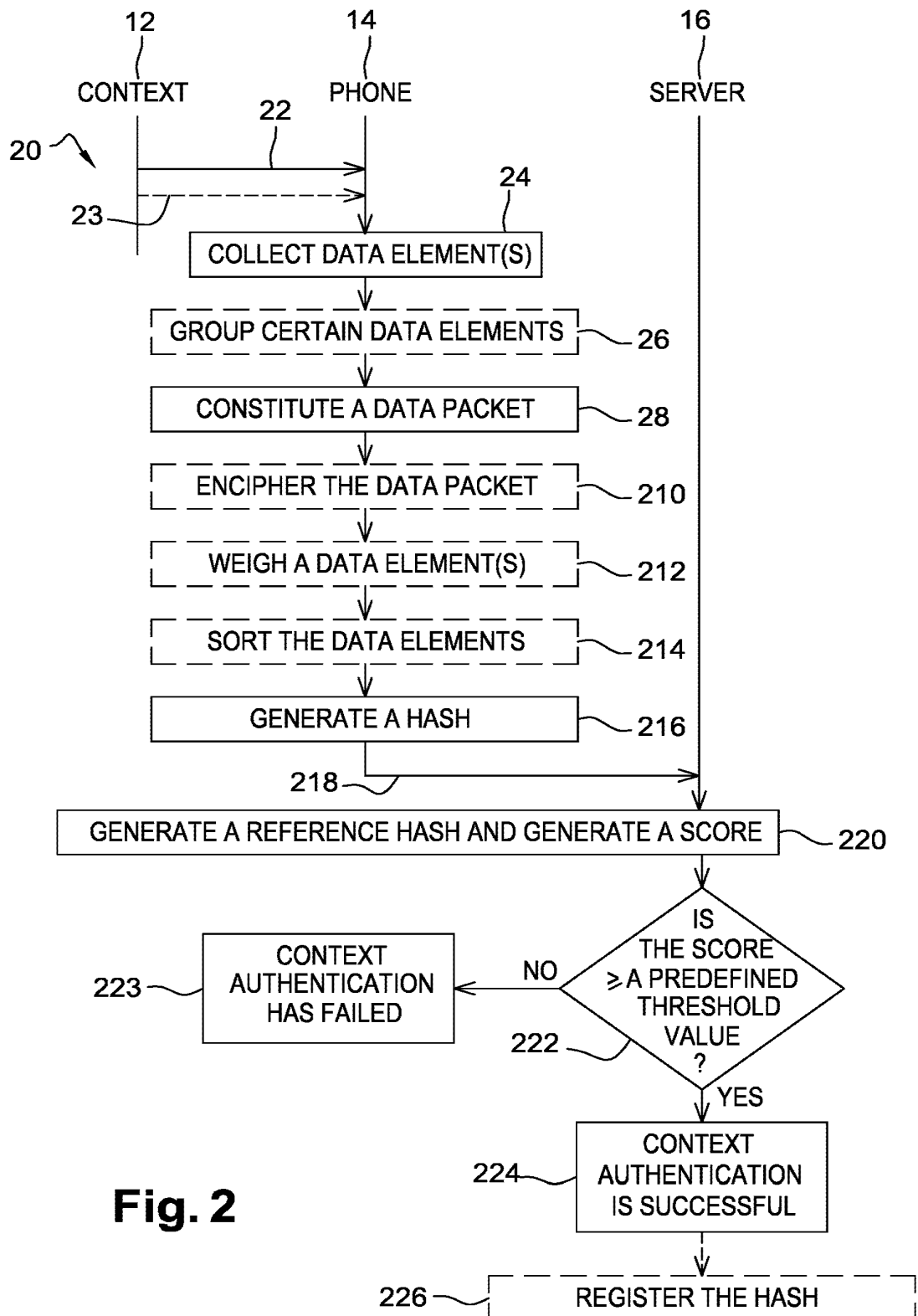
The embodiment that has just been described is not intended to limit the scope of the concerned invention. Other embodiments may be given. As another embodiment, instead of using an LR RF technology channel to transmit information to the second device, the first device uses a Short Range (or SR) RF technology(ies), like e.g., a Wi-

Fi, Bluetooth, a Near Field Communication or a Bluetooth Low Energy type technology(ies).

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**Fig. 2**

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AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM

Field of the invention:

The present invention relates generally to an authentication method and an authentication device.

5 Furthermore, the invention pertains to an authentication system as well. The system includes at least two devices.

The present invention is notably applicable to a field in which a first device is e.g. a mobile (tele)phone or a Personal Computer (or PC) and a second device is e.g. a (local) Secure Element (or SE) or a remote server.

10 Within the present description, an SE is a smart object that includes a chip(s) that protect(s), as a tamper resistant component(s), access to stored data and that is intended to communicate data with a device(s), like e.g., an SE host device, and/or an SE user.

State of the art:

15 EP 2 924 603 A2 describes a user authentication technique based on a transmission, from a client to a server, of a captured video signal including a physical user characteristic(s) and a physical object(s)/element(s) in the user environment. The sever analyses the captured video signal to determine a value associated with each of the visual and audio elements, as environment characteristics. The server determines a
20 total score for the captured video signal and compares the total score to a predetermined reference score. The server decides to authorize (or not) based on a comparison result.

However, such a known solution requires a big bandwidth, namely several Mb, for an upload of the captured video signal. Moreover, the uploaded captured video signal
25 includes information that discloses the user environment and therefore private data.

There is a need of an alternative authentication solution while being more efficient and more secure than such an aforementioned known solution.

Summary of the invention:

The invention proposes a solution for satisfying the just herein above specified
30 need by providing an authentication method.

According to the invention, the method comprises:

- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;

- constituting, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
- 5 - generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

The principle of the invention consists in capturing, at a client device side, (local)
 10 context (or environment) data element(s) depending on an authentication policy, building a corresponding data packet and determining with a predefined hash type algorithm and, as input, the data packet a corresponding hash. The client device sends the determined hash. Then, a hash distance between the determined hash and a predefined reference hash is determined. The thus determined hash distance is then
 15 used for authenticating (or not) the tested authentication context (under survey).

The authentication policy defines notably the number and/or the nature of the context data element(s) to be captured. The authentication policy may include data relating to the used (client) device, a user, object(s) or thing(s) to be locally present and detected. To capture the context data element(s), the invention does not impose any
 20 constraint. The client device may use a camera(s), a microphone(s) and/or one or several sensors that is(are) incorporated within or connected to the client device.

The invention (authentication) solution is, through the authentication policy, configurable and therefore adaptable to different (local) environment or context scenario(s).

25 Since the client device (or a cooperating device, such as an SE), where there is an environment to be authenticated, generates (or determines) a hash from a data packet resulting from captured environment or context data element(s), the hash is transmitted in a secure and protected manner.

A software component, such as a library, a hardware component and/or a device
 30 may carry out the hash distance generation step and the authentication step. The software component may be supported by the client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server. The hardware component may be incorporated within or connected or coupled to the

client device, a local device, such as an SE, cooperating with the client device, or a remote device, such as a remote server.

It is noteworthy that the hash distance generation step provides a hash distance that allows to determine whether the generated hash is more or less close to a predefined reference hash. The hash distance allows inferring whether the corresponding captured context data element(s) is(are) or is(are) not successfully authenticated, i.e. sufficiently close to respective predetermined reference captured context data element(s).

The hash distance may be generated through a hash type comparison algorithm.

An authentication of the concerned (local) environment or context under survey is therefore carried out through such a hash distance that is specific to (or characterizes) the invention solution.

The hash distance allows the invention solution to be resilient to more or less small changes with respect to the predefined reference hash while still authenticating successfully the concerned (local) environment or context, i.e. the value of at least some captured (or collected) context data element(s) has changed slightly.

It is to be noted that the hash or digest, as a byte stream relating to original captured context data element(s), is a string of bits with a resulting length, from e.g. 32 bytes to e.g. a few kbytes. The resulting length may be (or not) variable according to the captured context data element(s).

The hash relates to the original (captured) context data element(s) and reduces the number of bits (or elements of information) to be transferred with respect to the original context data element(s).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution does not need a large bandwidth to transmit data, including the hash, relating to the concerned environment or context, since the data relating to the concerned context includes only a few data (up to a few kbytes) to be transmitted.

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, the invention solution is therefore efficient.

Moreover, the hash obfuscates the concerned original context data element(s), i.e. does not disclose any original context data element(s) in plain text.

Since no data relating to the privacy is transmitted in plain text, the invention is thus compliant with data privacy and therefore the Generation Data Protection Regulation (or GDPR).

Contrary to the aforementioned prior art solution, due to the use of a hash (and not the use of the concerned captured context data element(s) in plain text), the invention solution is secure.

The invention solution is an environment or context authentication solution that allows authenticating the concerned (local) environment or context under survey.

The invention solution is user convenient.

Advantageously, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:

- generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
- comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
- authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.

The LSH type algorithm, as a hash type algorithm, is advantageously used to generate a score, as a hash distance used for comparing the generated hash to the predefined reference hash.

The generated score is then checked with respect to a predefined threshold value, so as to authenticate (or not) the concerned context.

Thus, the invention solution may be, through the score, as the hash distance, more or less permissive with respect to the predefined reference hash that has to be approached by the generated hash from the collected context data element(s).

It is to be noted that the score is either the hash distance itself or the result of a computation derived from the (hash) distance depending on the used algorithm for comparing the generated hash.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a first authentication device.

According to the invention, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;

- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
- send to a second device the generated hash.

5 The first authentication device may be a mobile phone, a PC or any computing device.

According to an additional aspect, the invention is a second authentication device.

According to the invention, the second authentication device is configured to:

- receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- 10 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

The second authentication device may be a secure element, a remote server or any computing device.

According to still a further aspect, the invention is an authentication system.

15 According to the invention, the system comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- 20 - constitute, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
- generate, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash; and

the second authentication device is configured to:

- 25 - receive from the first device, the generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

Brief description of the drawings:

30 Additional features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from a detailed description of one preferred embodiment of the invention, given as an indicative and non-limitative example, in conjunction with the following drawings:

- Figure 1 illustrates a simplified diagram of an exemplary embodiment of a system comprising a mobile phone and a server, the phone being configured to collect, based on a predefined authentication policy, a data element(s) comprised within the phone context, constitute a corresponding data packet, generate a corresponding hash, and send to the server the hash, the server being configured to generate a hash distance between the hash and a predetermined reference hash and authenticate, based on to the hash distance, the concerned context, according to the invention; and

- Figure 2 represents an example of a flow of messages exchanged between the user, the phone and the server of the system of figure 1, so that the server receives a hash generated at the client side, generates a corresponding hash distance and authenticates (or not), thanks to the generated hash distance, the concerned context.

Detailed description:

Herein under is considered an exemplary embodiment in which the invention authentication method is implemented notably by a phone, as a client (computer) device and a standalone entity, i.e. without cooperating with another device, such as an SE, and a remote server.

According to another exemplary embodiment (not represented), the invention authentication method is implemented by a computer device, as a terminal, in cooperation with an SE embedded within or connected to the terminal. According to such an embodiment, the SE, as a local and second authentication device, is adapted to perform the functions that are carried out by the server and described herein below while enhancing the security of stored and/or processed data.

The SE may be an incorporated chip, as a chip soldered, possibly in a removable manner, like e.g., an embedded SE, an embedded Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or eUICC) or an integrated Universal Integrated Circuit Card (or iUICC), on a Printed Circuit Board (or PCB) of the terminal, or a chip that is coupled to the terminal and included within a Universal Serial Bus (or USB), a smart card or any other medium (that may have different form factors), as an SE host device. The chip may thus be fixed to or removable from its host device, like e.g., the mobile phone.

The invention does not impose any constraint as to a kind of the SE type.

Naturally, the herein below described embodiment is only for exemplifying purposes and is not considered to reduce the scope of the present invention.

Figure 1 shows schematically an (authentication) system 10 that includes a (mobile) phone 14 and a remote (web) server 16.

The system is arranged to authenticate (or not) a context 12 (or environment) under survey.

5 The context 12 includes e.g. a user 11, as the owner of the phone 14.

Additionally (or alternately), the context 12 includes e.g. a TeleVision (or TV) set 13, as a physical object or thing.

10 However, the invention (authentication) solution is also applicable when the context 12 includes one or several human beings (and/or animal(s)) and/or one or several (physical) things.

For the sake of simplicity, only one phone 14, as a first (authentication) device, and only one user 11 and one object, as context data elements, have been represented.

15 However, the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, manages a set of context accounts and respective reference (context) hashes that have been previously respectively registered while using the same invention authentication process.

20 Instead of being constituted by a phone, the first device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or any other computer device. Such a list of first devices is given as mere examples for a first device that may be used without being exhaustive.

25 Instead of being constituted by a physical first device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the phone 14.

The phone 14 includes one or several Central Processing Unit(s) (or CPU), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) (not represented), as data processing means, one or several memories (not represented), as data storing means, and one or several Input/Output (or I/O) interfaces (not represented).

30 The (or each) phone processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several phone I/O interfaces.

The phone memories may include one or several EEPROMs (acronym for “Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-Only Memory”), one or several ROMs (acronym for “Read Only Memory”), one or several Flash memories and/or any other memories of different types, like e.g., one or several RAMs (acronym for “Random Access Memory”).

The phone 14 supports one or several Operating Systems (or OS).

The phone 14 supports a client application that allows the phone 14 to send, after a context data element collection, a corresponding data packet constitution and a corresponding hash generation, to the server 16 information including the generated hash. The generated hash allows the server 16 to authenticate (or not) the concerned context 12.

A phone 14 memory (and/or a memory of another device connected or coupled to the phone 14) stores a Mobile Station International Subscriber Directory Number (or MSISDN), as the phone 14 number, and/or the like, as a phone 14 Identifiers (or ID), , an International Mobile Equipment Identity (or IMEI), an email address and/or other data that allow(s) uniquely identifying the phone 14, as the first device.

The phone I/O interface(s) may comprise (and/or be connected to) a display screen and a keyboard, as a phone Man Machine Interface (or MMI), so as to interact with the user 11.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., a camera 142, so as to capture or collect video or picture data that is included in the environment or context that is present in front of the camera 142.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., one or several sensors that allow each to collect data relating to the context of the phone 14.

The phone I/O interface(s) includes e.g., an antenna 144, allowing to transmit data, through a Radio-Frequency (or RF) link(s) 15, as a wireless link(s), via a possible (communication) network(s), to the server 16.

The RF may be fixed at several hundreds of MHz, e.g., around 850, 900, 1800, 1900 and/or 2100 MHz, as Long Range (or LR) type RF.

The RF link 15 between the phone 14 and the server 16 is at least mono-directional, namely at least an uplink, i.e. from the phone 14 to the server 16.

The channel may be related to an HyperText Transfer Protocol (or HTTP) (Secure) (registered trademark) type channel, an Over-The-Air (or OTA), an Over-The-Internet (or OTI) type channel or any other data communication channel.

The channel using the RF link 15 may be secure or unsecure.

5 The phone 14 is arranged to collect, based on a predetermined authentication policy, an image (or picture) (and/or a video signal) including image data relating to the user 11 face and image data relating to the TV 13, as data elements included in the context (relating to the phone 14).

10 To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may use a Machine Learning (or ML) engine to analyse a collected (or captured) image.

Each context data element is preferably a string of bits (or units of information) with an individual fixed length.

15 The authentication policy allows configuring the phone 14 to process data originating from a surrounding environment of the phone 14, so as to authenticate the concerned environment.

20 The authentication policy is preferably previously (prior to launching an authentication process) provided by the server 16 or another server (not represented) connected to the server 16. The authentication policy comprises a set of identified context data elements to be collected, so as to define context data element(s) to be collected.

25 As context data element(s), the context data element(s) may include, besides image data relating to the user face and image data relating to the TV 13, other data, such as a phone ID, a Service Set Identifier (or SSID), an OS version ID, geolocation data (like e.g., Global Positioning System (or GPS) data), a user 11 heart rate (not represented) and/or other data. To collect a context data element(s), the phone 14 may get or retrieve data, such as a phone ID, stored in a memory included within the phone 14 or a device connected or coupled to the phone 14.

30 The authentication policy may also define how the concerned context data element(s) is transformed into a corresponding data packet, how the resulting data packet is possibly processed, such as grouped, ciphered, weighted and/or sorted, and/or how a corresponding hash has to be generated.

The authentication policy may comprise information allowing to group together at least certain collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context

data element(s). Thus, certain context data elements are to be grouped within one and the same group, such as data relating to the operation of the phone 14, like e.g., an SSID and/or an OS version ID, and/or data relating to the audio and/or visual environment.

5 When two or more collected context data elements are grouped, the concerned collected context data element group impacts the corresponding generated hash distance (or score) by increasing the hash distance (or score) variation, i.e. if at least one of the collected context data elements within a concerned group changes, then the resulting corresponding generated hash distance (or score) varies more than if all of the
10 collected context data elements of the group were kept (individually) separated from each other.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that a data packet that results from the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be ciphered by using a key generated from submitted user authentication data (or one or
15 several data items originating from one or several external sources, such as a thermometer) (instead of being ciphered, being processed by a keyed one way function (i.e. non reversible), such as HMAC type function). Such a data packet ciphering request may further specify to use a specific encryption key, a specific encryption key
20 generation algorithm, a specific data encryption algorithm and/or a process to generate the concerned encryption key or algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using user authentication data, such as a Personal Identity Number (or PIN), a One-Time Password (or OTP), a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s), and/or data
25 provided by one or several external sources, such as an SE, as input to an (identified) key generation algorithm. The encryption key may be generated by using a Hash-based Message Authentication Code (or HMAC) key derivation function.

 The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a user authentication to be used for authenticating the user 11, when applicable, i.e. when the user authentication data is to be included in the context data element(s). For example, the
30 user 11 has to authenticate by providing a PIN, an OTP, a password and/or a biometric user feature(s), such as a one or several user fingerprints, a user iris, a user face and/or a user palm(s).

The authentication policy may comprise one or several weights to be associated with a specific (identified) group(s) and/or a specific (identified) context data element(s), so as to give heavier importance to the concerned group(s) and/or context data element(s) with respect to the other collected group(s) and/or collected context data element(s) within a corresponding data packet.

The authentication policy may comprise data for requesting that, prior to generating a corresponding hash, the context data element(s) (possibly grouped at least in part) has to be sorted, according to a predetermined numerical order, such as an increasing or decreasing numerical order.

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying a hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash relating to the collected context data element(s).

The authentication policy may comprise data for identifying several hash type algorithms to be used for generating several hashes relating to the collected context data elements which may have separate natures of data elements. The corresponding hash distance (or score) to be generated is then averaged (or weighted) the hashes resulting from each hash type algorithms.

Optionally, the phone 14 is arranged, preferably according to the authentication policy, to group at least two collected context data elements within the collected context data elements within the data packet.

The phone 14 is adapted to constitute, based on the collected context data element(s), a (resulting) data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a kind of passphrase comprising, as word(s), the collected context data element(s).

The data packet is a string of bits (or units of information) with a resulting length that may vary depending on the collected context data element length(s) between separate context authentication sessions. The data packet length corresponds to an addition of all of the individual length(s) relating to the collected context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone 14 is adapted, preferably according to the authentication policy, to cipher or encrypt the data packet. Each of the context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part is thus ciphered by using a predetermined encryption key. The encryption key may have been generated by using a HMAC type derivation function.

Optionally, the phone is adapted to weigh, according to the authentication policy, one or several (identified) collected context data element(s) of the collected context data element(s) that may have been previously grouped within the data packet. Such a collected context data element weighing may depend on a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash. Such a collected context data element weighing allows favouring the concerned collected context data element(s) and/or the concerned context data group(s) with respect to the other context data elements comprised within the concerned data packet. To weigh the concerned context data element(s), the phone 14 may duplicate the concerned context data element(s).

Optionally, the phone is arranged preferably according to the authentication policy, to sort, according to a numerical order, such as an increasing or a decreasing numerical order, the collected context data element(s) within the data packet. Such a (collected) context data element sorting allows preserving, depending on the used hash type algorithm, a generation of a corresponding hash and therefore a corresponding hash distance, i.e. the hash to be generated does not change when the concerned context data element sorting order is kept.

According to an essential invention feature, the phone 14 is configured to generate a hash by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm.

The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms: a Locality Sensitive Hash (or LSH) type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a Trend micro Locality Sensitive Hash (or TLSH) type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash with, as input, a data packet.

The hash type algorithm may incorporate a weighting, within the collected context data element(s), of one or several context data elements and/or one or several context data element group(s).

The phone 14 is arranged to send to the server 16, as a second (authentication) device, the generated hash.

Such a generated hash, as a cipher and a kind of context signature, allows not to disclose any original (user) private data that has been locally collected and therefore preserve the data privacy.

The generated hash has a fixed length that is a few data (up to a few kbits).

5 Instead of being constituted by a (physical) server, the second device may be constituted by e.g., a smart phone, a PC, a vehicle, a virtual reality device, an augmented reality device, an Internet Of Things type device, a set-top box, a tablet computer, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a video player, an audio player, a media-player, a game console, a netbook, a Personal Digital Assistant (or PDA), and/or
10 any other computer device. Such a list of second devices is given as mere examples for a second device that may be used without being exhaustive.

Instead of being constituted by a physical second device, a software component, such as a library, or a hardware component carries out the functions that are described infra and that are performed by the server 16.

15 The server 16 is connected to the phone 14 over the link 15.

The server 16 is remote and accessible through possibly one, two or more communication networks, such as an Intranet network and/or an Internet network, that allow to define or form a corresponding communication channel.

The corresponding communication channel may be secure or unsecure.

20 According to an alternative embodiment (not represented), the server 16 is local. For example, the server 16 is embedded within a device, such as an SE that is connected or coupled to the PC 14.

The server 16 may be operated or managed by a Mobile Network Operator (or MNO), a Mobile Virtual Network Operator (or MVNO), a banking Operator, a wire
25 communication network operator, a service Operator (or administrator) or on behalf of a service Operator, as a service provider.

The server 16 includes one or several CPU(s), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) 162, as data processing means, one or several memories 164, as data storing means, and one or several I/O interfaces 166 that are internally together
30 connected.

A (or the) server I/O interface 166 is used for communicating with external devices, such as the first device 14.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores preferably, besides an OS, an invention (server) authentication application accessible from the server 16 processor.

A (or the) server memory 164 stores or registers a database.

5 The database includes a set of e.g. first device accounts. The database relates to a set of e.g. first devices, as a fleet of first devices.

Each first device account may include one or several associated user identifiers, such as a user name.

The database includes preferably, in association with e.g. each (identified) first device account, a corresponding predetermined reference hash.

10 The predetermined reference hash has been previously (i.e. during an enrolment or registration phase and prior to any (context) authentication) registered while using the invention authentication process.

The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, a registered predetermined hash type algorithm.

15 The predetermined hash type algorithm may be one of the following algorithms an LSH type algorithm, a fuzzy matching type algorithm, a TLSH type algorithm, a nilsimsa type algorithm, an sdhash type algorithm, an ssdeep type algorithm, an approximate matching type algorithm, a near duplicate matching type algorithm and a similarity detection type algorithm.

20 Such a list of hash type algorithms is given without being exhaustive as mere examples for an hash type algorithm that may be used for generating a hash distance with, as inputs, a generated hash (to be received from a client device) and a corresponding (registered) reference hash.

25 The database may associate, for each individual first device or the first device set, a registered predetermined threshold value.

The predetermined threshold value has been previously (i.e. prior to any (context) authentication) registered. The predetermined threshold value is configurable according to a level of risk that the concerned service provider may take.

30 The (or each) server processor processes data originating from and/or intended to any internal component and data originating from and/or intended to any external device through one or several server I/O interfaces.

The server 16 supports one or several OSs.

The server 16 supports a server application that allows the server 16, after a hash reception and a corresponding hash distance generation, to authenticate (or not), based on the hash distance, the concerned phone context.

5 The server 16 may be configured to generate and send an authentication policy to the first device, such as the phone 14, prior to any first device enrolment.

The server 16 is adapted to receive, from an (identified) client device, such as the phone 14, a generated hash.

The server 16 identifies, based on a received e.g. client device ID(s), a corresponding first device registered within the database accessible to the server 16.

10 Then, the server 16 retrieves a predetermined reference hash that is registered in association with the registered first device or a corresponding first device fleet.

According to an essential invention feature, the server 16 is configured to generate on-the-fly, i.e. when a first device launches a login (or connection) session with the server 16, a score, as a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and a
15 (registered) predetermined reference hash.

To generate the score, the server 16 uses the (retrieved) predetermined hash type algorithm and the (retrieved) predetermined reference hash.

The server 16 is adapted to authenticate successfully or not, based on the generated hash distance, the concerned context 12.

20 More exactly, the server 16 is configured to fail to authenticate the context 12 if the generated hash distance is less than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

The server 16 is configured to succeed in authenticating the context 12 if the generated hash distance is equal to or greater than the (retrieved) predetermined threshold value.

25 The server 16 may be adapted to store, preferably in a secure and persistent manner, the (received) generated hash, each time the authentication is successful. Such a generated hash storage when the authentication is successful allows to trace the success authentication history or evolution.

Alternately (or additionally), each time the authentication is successful, the server
30 16 is arranged to register, instead of the predetermined reference hash, the (received) generated hash, as an updated reference hash to be used for a next authentication. The authentication process taking into account the last generated hash, as the updated

reference hash for a new (context) authentication, lets evolve the corresponding reference hash with the time at each authentication success.

Figure 2 depicts an example of a message flow 20 that involves the phone 14 and the server 16, so that the server 16 authenticates the context 12 based on a hash distance between a (received) generated hash and a (registered) predetermined reference hash.

It is assumed that the authentication policy has been provided during a personalization phase to the phone 14. The authentication policy requests to collect an image relating to the user 11 face, an image relating to the TV 13 and a phone ID, as three context data elements to be detected, so as to authenticate the user 11.

It is further assumed that the server 16 has previously registered (not represented) a user 11 ID in association with the phone 14 number, as a phone ID, a predetermined reference hash corresponding to the user 11 face image, the TV 13 image and the phone ID, as corresponding context data elements, a predetermined threshold value, such as e.g. 75%, and a predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

It is assumed that the predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash and a corresponding hash distance is e.g. a LSH type algorithm.

The use of an LSH type algorithm allows generating similar hashes, i.e. a hash distance or score that is good, i.e. the score is equal or greater than the predefined threshold value, when there is a slight change between the hash relating to the current context under survey and the reference hash relating to a corresponding reference context.

The phone 14 thus constitutes a reference first (communication) device to be locally present within the user 11 context 12, so as to authenticate, through the context 12, the user 11.

It is further assumed that the phone 14 accesses the phone 14 ID and an image signal captured by the phone camera 142.

An execution of the client application supported by the phone 14 is automatically launched (i.e. without any involvement of the user 11).

Alternately, the user 11 launches the client application while using an MMI that is included in or connected to the phone 14.

The phone 14 gets, through the phone camera 142, an image signal 22 relating to all the physical human(s) (and/or animal(s)) and/or thing(s) that are present in front of the phone 14.

In the present scenario, the image signal includes e.g. the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image.

The phone 14 retrieves (not represented) from a phone memory the MSISDN of the phone 14, as the phone 14 ID.

Instead of collecting the phone 14 ID from a phone memory, the phone 14 collects from a locally connected device, such as an SE that has preferably authenticate a user e.g. through a PIN comparison to a reference PIN that is stored in an SE memory, the phone 14 ID 23.

The phone 14 collects 24 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image while extracting from the image signal 22 the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image and the phone 14 ID, as three context data elements required by the authentication policy.

The phone 14 may group 26, based on the authentication policy, at least two context data elements, e.g., the user 11 face image and the TV 13 image, as one and the same context data element group, within the collected data elements.

The phone 14 constitutes 28, based on the collected context data elements, a data packet by e.g. concatenating the collected context data elements

Optionally, the phone 14 enciphers 210, based on the authentication policy, the (resulting) data packet, so as to improve the security aspect. The data packet that is thus enciphered while using a key depending on e.g. user authentication impacts on the corresponding hash distance (or score). If the user is not successfully authenticated (at the client side), then the corresponding resulting hash is remote from a predetermined reference hash leading to a "bad" hash distance (or score) and therefore a failure of context authentication (even if the other collected context data element(s) is(are) right with respect to a collected reference context data element(s) that produces the corresponding predetermined reference hash).

The phone 14 may weigh 212, based on the authentication policy (or the used predetermined hash type algorithm), more or less heavy, one or several collected context data elements and/or one or several groups of collected context data elements with respect to the other collected context data elements within the data packet.

Optionally, the phone 14 sorts 214, according to a numerical order, such as a decreasing or an increasing order, the collected context data elements that are possibly grouped at least in part, possibly enciphered and/or possibly weighted, within the data packet.

5 Then, the phone 14 generates 216, by using e.g. a nilsimisa algorithm and the data packet, as input to the nilsimisa algorithm, a hash.

The phone 14 sends, through e.g., a Short Message Service (or SMS), Multimedia Messaging Service (or MMS), Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (or TCP/IP), or HTTP(s) type channel, to an (identified) server 16 a message 218 that
10 includes the phone ID and the generated hash.

Once the server 16 has received the message, the server 16 identifies (not represented), based on the phone ID, the concerned user 11 account and thus the associated predetermined reference hash and the associated predetermined hash type algorithm to be used for generating a hash distance.

15 Then, the server 16 generates a hash distance between the (received) generated hash and the predetermined reference hash.

To generate the hash distance, the server 16 gets the reference hash and generates 220 a score by using e.g. the nilsimisa algorithm and the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash, as the two inputs to the nilsimisa algorithm.

20 The score is considered as a level of similarity between the received generated hash and the predetermined reference hash. For instance with the nilsimisa algorithm, the score is "0" (zero) when there is no similarity i.e.0% of similarity, is "96" when there is 75% of similarity and is "128" when there is a full similarity, i.e. 100% of similarity.

Once the server 16 has generated the hash distance, the server 16 verifies 222
25 whether the authentication is or is not successful based on the generated hash distance. To do such an authentication verification, the server 16 compares 222 the generated score with respect to the predetermined threshold value.

If the generated score is less than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 fails 223 to authenticate, through the user context 12, the user 11 and denies
30 user access to the service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Otherwise, i.e. if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, then the server 16 succeeds 224 in authenticating, through the user

context 12, the user 11 and grants user access to a service(s) managed by or through the server 16.

Optionally, if the generated score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value, the server 16 registers 226 the received generated hash by either further enriching (or adding to) a database relating to the reference hashes in case of authentication success or substituting the received generated hash to the registered predetermined reference hash. Thus, in this latter case, the authentication process is continuously adaptive along the way the authentication context is evolving.

Optionally, the server 16 sends (not represented) to the phone 14, through the same channel or an out-of-band channel than the one used for the submission of the generated hash, a message that includes a request to present or display the authentication result. Then, the phone 14 presents or displays the authentication result (not represented), such as “authentication failure” or “authentication success”.

For the user, the invention solution is simple, easy, quick and practical since the user does not need to be involved. As a matter of fact, the user has just to present her or his face and the TV in front of the camera. The user does not need to enter any data, like e.g., an OTP, a number or a text on the first device, so as to let a first part collect the required context data elements and issue a corresponding hash to be verified by a second part, as its addressee, in order to be authenticated.

The invention solution allows carrying out a secure and efficient context authentication based on a hash distance that allows keeping flexibility.

The invention solution allows adapting to more or less small authentication context data element change(s), according to a level of risk to be adopted.

The invention solution does not include any oracle on the client (device) since it has no means for validating or verifying the generated hash. As a matter of fact, only the server is able to verify the generated hash.

The invention solution prevents thus from a client side brute-force attack of user authentication.

The embodiment that has just been described is not intended to limit the scope of the concerned invention. Other embodiments may be given. As another embodiment, instead of using an LR RF technology channel to transmit information to the second device, the first device uses a Short Range (or SR) RF technology(ies), like e.g., a Wi-

Fi, Bluetooth, a Near Field Communication or a Bluetooth Low Energy type technology(ies).

CLAIMS

1. An authentication method (20) comprising:
 - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
 - 5 - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;
 - generating (216), by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;
 - sending the generated hash;
 - 10 - generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.
- 15 2. Method according to claim 1, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprising a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:
 - generating, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, a score, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash;
 - 20 - comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value;
 - authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value.
- 25 3. Method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet.
4. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, at least one
 - 30 of the at least one context data element.
5. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping, according to the authentication policy,

together at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group.

- 5 6. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering, according to the authentication policy, the data packet.
- 10 7. Method according to claim 6, wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function.
- 15 8. Method according to any previous claim, wherein the hash type algorithm includes at least one element of a group including:
 - a locality sensitive hash type algorithm;
 - 15 - a Trend micro Locality Sensitive Hash type algorithm;
 - a nilsimsa type algorithm;
 - an sdhash type algorithm;
 - an ssdeep type algorithm; and
 - a fuzzy matching type algorithm;
 - 20 - an approximate matching type algorithm;
 - a near duplicate matching type algorithm; and
 - a similarity detection type algorithm.
- 25 9. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, each time the authentication is successful, the method further comprises storing the generated hash.
- 30 10. Method according to any previous claim, wherein, each time the authentication is successful, the method further comprises registering, instead of the predetermined reference hash, the generated hash, as an updated reference hash to be used for a next authentication.
11. A first authentication device (14), **characterized in that** the first authentication device is configured to:

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- 5 to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash; and
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12. Device according to claim 11, wherein the first authentication device includes includes at least one element of a group including:

- 10 - a mobile phone;
- a Personal Computer;
- a vehicle;
- a desktop;
- a virtual reality device;
- 15 - an augment reality device;
- an Internet Of Things type device; and
- a computing device.

13. A second authentication device (16), **characterized in that** the second authentication device is configured to:

- 20 - receive a generated hash;
- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance.

25 14. Device according to claim 13, wherein the second authentication device includes at least one element of a group including:

- a secure element;
- a local server;
- 30 - a remote server;
- a mobile phone;
- a Personal Computer;
- a vehicle;

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15. An authentication system (10), **characterized in that**, the system comprising a first authentication device (14) and at least one second authentication device (16), the first authentication device is configured to:

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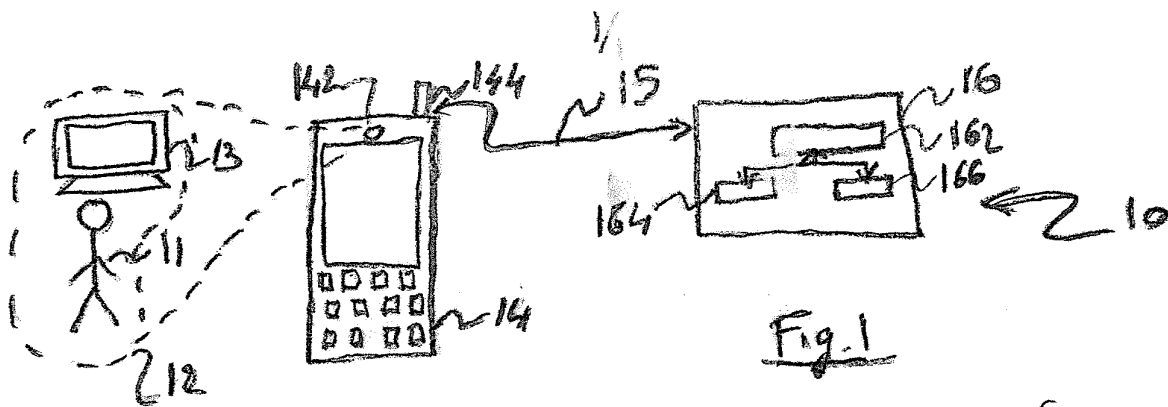
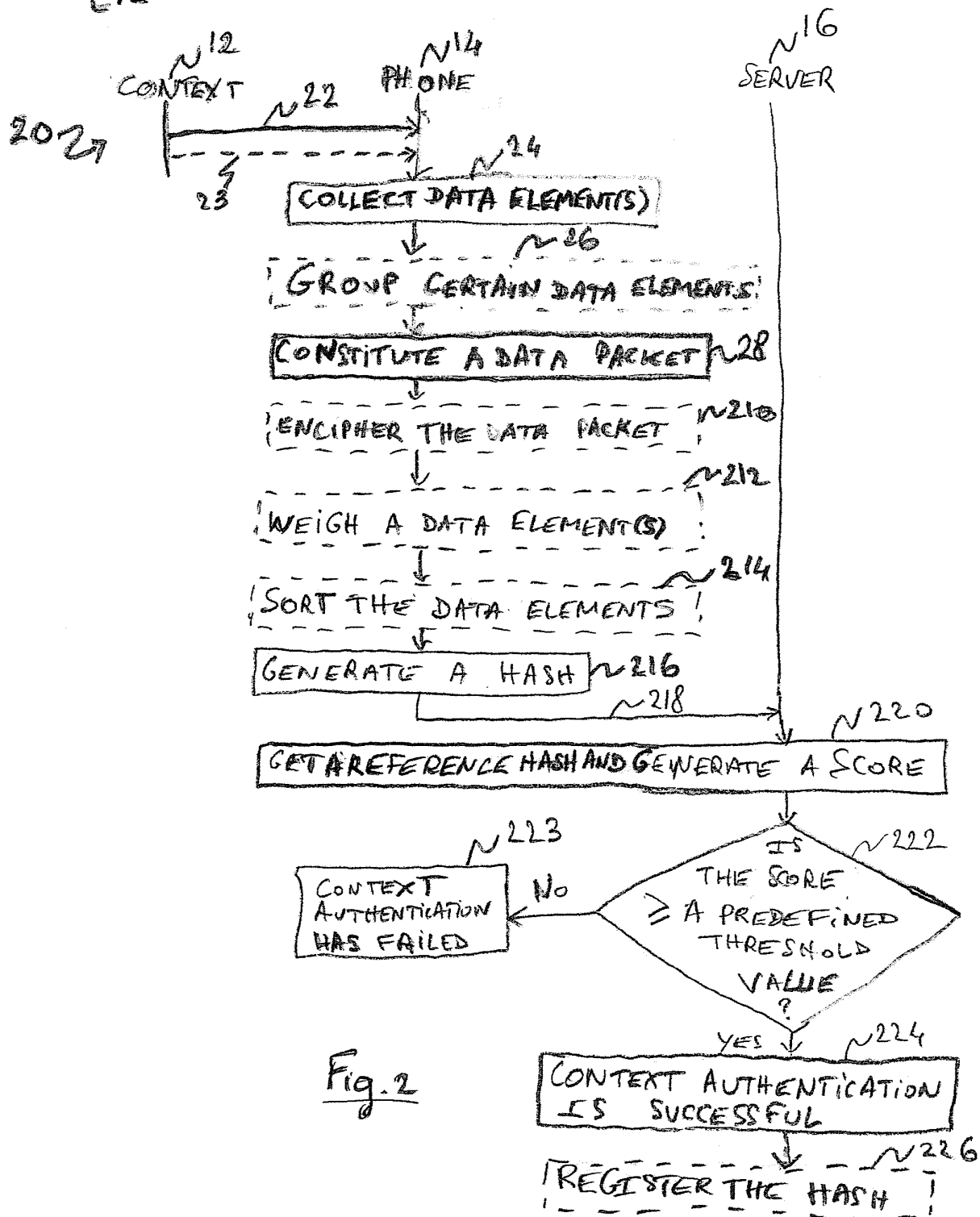
AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM**ABSTRACT**

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises:

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- sending the generated hash;
- generating 220, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating 224 successfully or not 223 based on the generated hash distance, as
- 15 an authentication step.

The invention also relates to corresponding device and system.

Figure 2



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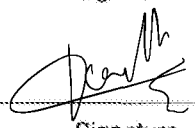
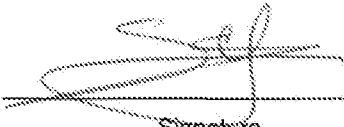
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1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

2. This is the initial office action that has been issued in response to patent application 16/958,252, filed on 06/26/2020. Claims 1-15 are cancelled. Claims 16-25 as originally filed and are currently pending and have been considered below.

Specification

3. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Drawings

4. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because they fail to show details of the drawings as described in the specification. Any structural detail that is essential for a proper understanding of the disclosed invention should be shown in the drawing. MPEP § 608.02(d). Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this

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A patent for a claimed invention may not be obtained, notwithstanding that the claimed invention is not identically disclosed as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art are such that the claimed invention as a whole would have been obvious before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which the claimed invention pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

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6. Claims 16, 20 and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1), Cheng (US 2017/109514 A1) and Aura (US 2006/0020796 A1) in view of Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 A1).

7. Regarding Claim 16, Lawrence and Cheng disclose, an authentication method comprising:

Lawrence does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Cheng teaches:

- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element (Cheng, [0031], the utilization of a user's activity context for continuous authentication, embodiment of the present invention may also be used for providing alerts. An alert generated in response to the detection of a predetermined activity context);

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include an authentication policy that is collected at the data element wherein at least one context is existing.

- constituting a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element (Lawrence, [0053], the client device 108 seeded by the digital samples 226 collected by the client device in the data block 138 and authenticate); -

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generating a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm (Lawrence, [0070], The function 242, may comprise for example but without limitation, a Secure Hash Algorithm or other algorithm capable of generating a repeatable hash value such as the hash value 152 for the same data block such as the data block 138); - sending the generated hash (Lawrence, [0058], sends hash value);

Lawrence and Cheng does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Aura teaches:

- generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash (Aura, [0074], in a predetermined portion of the hash value (such as a predetermined number of the left-most bits), may be the greatest number of zero bits within the complete computed hash value, may be the greatest number of sequential zero bits within the computed hash value);

Lawrence, Cheng and Aura does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Sakamoto teaches:

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include the generated hash between the determined hash.

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Lawrence, Cheng and Aura does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Sakamoto teaches:

and - authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step (Sakamoto, [0002], an authenticating system, an authenticating method, and an authenticating program that can be successively utilized also in a case where a hash algorithm)

8. Regarding Claim 20, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura and Sakamoto disclose, the method according to claim 16, Lawrence does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Cheng teaches:

wherein, prior to constituting the data packet, the method further comprises grouping together, according to the authentication policy, at least two context data elements comprised within the at least one context data element, to constitute at least one corresponding context data group (Cheng, [0050], *modules and/or data structures may be combined or divided into sub-modules, sub-processes or other units of computer code or data as may be required by a particular design or implementation of the user authentication subsystem 110.*).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed

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invention combine two of the context data from the information provided in the authentication policy and include at least one corresponding context data.

9. Regarding Claim 25, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto disclose, an authentication system, comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

Lawrence does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Cheng teaches:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy (Cheng, [0031], the utilization of a user's activity context for continuous authentication, embodiment of the present invention may also be used for providing alerts. an alert generated in response to the detection of a predetermined activity context [0024], the data signals produced by the sensing device(s) 126 provide the activity context inputs 128 and/or the biometric inputs 130 that are analyzed by the user authentication subsystem 110.); - constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element (Lawrence, [0053], the client device 108 seeded by the digital samples 226 collected by the client device in the data block 138 and authenticate); - generate

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a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm (Lawrence, [0070], The function 242, may comprise for example but without limitation, a Secure Hash Algorithm or other algorithm capable of generating a repeatable hash value such as the hash value 152 for the same data block such as the data block 138); and - send to the second authentication device, the generated hash (Lawrence, [0058], sends hash value); - and wherein the second authentication device is configured to: - receive the generated hash from the first device (Lawrence, [0006], a client device receives a received hash value);

Lawrence and Cheng does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Aura teaches:

- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash (Aura, [0074], in a predetermined portion of the hash value (such as a predetermined number of the left-most bits), may be the greatest number of zero bits within the complete computed hash value, may be the greatest number of sequential zero bits within the computed hash value);

and - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance (Sakamoto, [0002], an authenticating system, an authenticating method, and an authenticating program that can be successively utilized also in a case where a hash algorithm.).

10. Claims 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1), Cheng (US 2017/109514 A1), Aura (US 2006/0020796 A1) and Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 A1) in view of Sharifi (US 9514753 B2).

11. Regarding Claim 17, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamot and Sharifi disclose, the method according to claim 16, wherein, the predetermined hash type algorithm comprises a locality sensitive hash type algorithm, and wherein the method further comprises, as the hash distance generation step and the authentication step, the following steps:

Lawrence, Cheng Aura, Sakamoto does not disclose the following limitations that Sharifi teaches:

- generating a score, by using the locality sensitive hash type algorithm, as a level of similarity between the generated hash and the predetermined reference hash (Sharifi, Col. 19, lines 25-28, Comparing the speaker vectors in the set with the utterance vector includes determining similarity scores that each indicate a degree of similarity. Col. 9, lines 60-61, For each speaker vector 130 a-130 c, a hash value may be determined for each of multiple hash functions 140);

Lawrence and Cheng does not disclose the following limitations that Sharifi teaches:

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- comparing the score to a predetermined threshold value
(Sharifi, Col. 12, lines 54-55, *similarity score that satisfies the threshold*);

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include a score that is generated using levels of similarities for predetermined reference hash and comparing the score to the threshold.

- authenticating successfully only if the score is equal to or greater than the predetermined threshold value (Lawrence, [0050], *the data block 138 has effectively been validated, the data block 138 can reliably be processed to authenticate the time t_2 and/or the location 122 of the client device 108. [0086], he computed hash value 322 match, and if the time difference 322 ($t_1 - t_{2est}$) is below a time threshold value, the authentication processor 300 authenticates possession*).

12. Claims 18 and 21-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1), Cheng (US 2017/109514 A1), Aura (US 2006/0020796 A1) and Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 A1) in view of in view of Chul-min (US 20040221153 A1)

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13. Regarding Claim 18, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto and Chul-min disclose, the method according to claim 16, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Chil-min teaches:

wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises sorting, according to a numerical order, the at least one collected context data element within the data packet (Chul-min, Abstract, *data packets as a combination value, which is obtained by dividing the fixed width by the variable width, and combining the same number of sequentially received variable*).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include the generated hash and sorting the method in numerical order for one collected context data.

14. Regarding Claim 21, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto and Chul-min disclose, the method according to claim 16, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Chil-min teaches:

wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises ciphering the data packet, according to the authentication policy (Chul-min, [0050], *generates a hash code providing authentication for an entire fixed width data packet. [0041], he enciphering unit 22 enciphers a fixed width data*

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packet. [0051], AH engine generates an authentication code of an entire data packet).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to cipher the data packet with the information given from the authentication policy.

15. Regarding Claim 22, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto and Chul-min disclose, the method according to claim 21, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Chil-min teaches:

wherein a key used for the data packet ciphering includes a key generated by using a hash-based message authentication code key type derivation function (Chul-min, [0050], the AH engine using a hash message authentication code (HMAC)-message digest function 95 (MD5) algorithm, 32-bit data is input and enciphered and 32-bit cipher data is output. HMAC-MD5 is a secret key algorithm providing authentication).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include the key used to cipher the data packet generating the HMAC authentication code.

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16. Claims 19 is are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1), Cheng (US 2017/109514 A1), Aura (US 2006/0020796 A1) and Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 A1) in view of Bisikalo (EP 2924603 A2).

17. Regarding Claim 19, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto and Bisikalo disclose, the method according to claim 16, Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, Sakamoto does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Bisikalo teaches:

wherein, prior to generating the hash, the method further comprises weighting, according to the authentication policy, the at least one context data element (Bisikalo, [0031], *financial institution may want to weigh the audio element 406 more heavily in the total score than a visual element (e.g., 408) because the institution can utilize speech recognition technology to identify the user with great precision*).

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include weighing the hash for the context data element within the authentication policy

18. Claim 24 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1) and Aura (US 2006/0020796 A1) in view of Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 A1)

19. Regarding Claim 24, Lawrence and Aura disclose, a second authentication device, wherein the second authentication device is configured to: - receive a generated hash (Lawrence, [0006], a client device receives a received hash value);

Lawrence does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Aura teaches:

- generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash (Aura, [0074], in a predetermined portion of the hash value (such as a predetermined number of the left-most bits), may be the greatest number of zero bits within the complete computed hash value, may be the greatest number of sequential zero bits within the computed hash value);

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to include the generated hash between the determined hash.

Lawrence and Aura does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Sakamoto teaches:

and - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance (Sakamoto, [0002], an authenticating system, an authenticating method, and an authenticating program that can be successively utilized also in a case where a hash algorithm.).

20. Claims 23 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 A1) and Cheng (US 2017/109514 A1).

21. Regarding Claim 23, Lawrence and Cheng disclose, a first authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

Lawrence does not explicitly disclose the following limitations that Cheng teaches:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy (Cheng, [0031], the utilization of a user's activity context for continuous authentication, embodiment of the present invention may also be used for providing alerts. an alert generated in response to the detection of a predetermined activity context [0024], the data signals produced by the sensing device(s) 126 provide the activity context inputs 128 and/or the biometric inputs 130 that are analyzed by the user authentication subsystem 110.); - constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element (Lawrence, [0053], the client device 108 seeded by the digital samples 226 collected by the client device in the data block 138 and authenticate); - generate

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a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm (Lawrence, [0070], The function 242, may comprise for example but without limitation, a Secure Hash Algorithm or other algorithm capable of generating a repeatable hash value such as the hash value 152 for the same data block such as the data block 138); and - send the generated hash to a second authentication device (Lawrence, [0058], sends hash value).

Conclusion

22. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **MAYASA SHAAWAT** whose telephone number is (571)272-3939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8 AM TO 5 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **JEFFREY PWU** can be reached on (571)272-6789. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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4. **Authentication method, device and system**

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; - generating (216), by using a...

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5. **Method and apparatus for authenticating user**

Disclosed are an apparatus and a method for authenticating a user. The method for authenticating a user comprises the steps of: receiving, from a user terminal, account information on a user account, a hash value for first state information stored in the user terminal, and identification information...

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6. **Authentication method, device and system**

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: - collecting (24), based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; - constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; - generating (216), by using a...

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7. **Authenticating system, authenticating method, and authenticating program**

The present invention is an authenticating system including: a client (hereinafter, referred to as C) including a creator for, by employing a first hash algorithm (hereinafter, referred to as 1A), creating a first hash value (hereinafter, referred to as 1V) from authentication information including...

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8. **Authentication method, device and system**

The invention relates to an authentication method. The method comprises: - collecting 24, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element; - constituting 28, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet; - generating 216, by using a...

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9. **Method and apparatus for authenticating user**

Disclosed are a user authentication apparatus and a user authentication method. The user authentication method comprises the following steps: receiving account information for a user account, a hash value for first state information stored in a user terminal, and identification information of the...

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(54) **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR USER AUTHENTICATION BASED ON BIOMETRICS, CLOTHES WEARING AND SURROUNDING SCENE**

(57) Methods and apparatuses, including computer program products, are described for authentication using a video signature. A computing device receives a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, e.g. biometrics, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, e.g. an object worn / owned by the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user, e.g. determining geolocation. The computing device analyz-

es one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device calculates a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device compares the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device determines whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

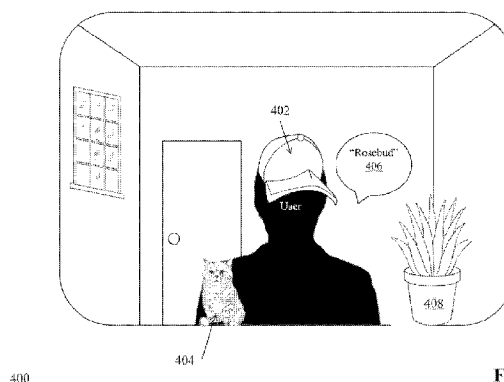


FIG. 4

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Description

[0001] This application relates generally to methods and apparatuses, including computer program products, for authentication using a video signature.

[0002] Typical authentication mechanisms, such as username / password combinations, are susceptible to theft, spoofing, phishing, and other forms of fraudulent activity by impostors seeking access to a user's secure accounts or resources (e.g., websites, documents, databases). More robust authentication techniques, like biometric scanning, have not yet become widely available and can depend significantly on both the type of technology available to a user and the type of technology used by an entity monitoring access to a secure resource.

[0003] Many computing devices, especially mobile devices, are equipped with cameras that can be used to record and transmit video segments (e.g., still images, video clips). Video segments typically incorporate a variety of visual and audio elements that can be used to uniquely identify the video segment in question from other video segments.

[0004] Therefore, what is needed are methods and systems to leverage the video capture capability of computing devices to generate a video signature used in authenticating a user and/or computing device to a secure resource. The techniques described herein provide the advantage of generating a video signature through analysis of a user-created and submitted video segment that includes a plurality of distinct visual and audio elements, where the plurality of elements are analyzed to calculate a total score for the video segment. A video segment, submitted by a user and assigned a score, can be used as a video signature to authenticate subsequent attempts to access the secure resource, e.g., by comparing the visual and audio elements in a later-submitted video segment against the video signature associated with a previously-submitted video segment.

[0005] The invention, in one aspect, features a method for authentication using a video signature. A computing device receives a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computing device analyzes one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device calculates a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device compares the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device determines whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0006] The invention, in another aspect, features a system for authentication using a video signature. The system includes a computing device configured to receive a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computing device is configured to analyze one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device is configured to calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computing device is configured to compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computing device is configured to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0007] The invention, in another aspect, features a computer program product, tangibly embodied in a non-transitory computer readable storage medium, for authentication using a video signature. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause a computing device to receive a request to access a secure resource, and the request includes a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to analyze one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements in the first video segment to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the computing device. The computer program product includes instructions operable to cause the computing device to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step.

[0008] In a yet further aspect, the invention relates to a method for authentication using a video signature, the method comprising: receiving, by a computing device from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user; determining, by the computing device, a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual and audio elements; assigning, by the computing device, a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device; calculating, by the computing device, a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the character-

istics; comparing, by the computing device, the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment previously received from the remote device; determining, by the computing device, whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based upon the comparison step; and connecting, by the computing device, the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

[0009] Any of the above aspects can include one or more of the following features. In some embodiments, the analyzing step includes determining one or more characteristics associated with each of the one or more plurality of visual and audio elements, assigning a value to the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device, and storing the values for the characteristics. In some embodiments, the one or more characteristics include a position of a visual element, movement of a visual element, a color of a visual element, a type of a visual element, and an absence of a visual element. In some embodiments, the computing device performs a speech-to-text conversion on an audio element. In some embodiments, values are assigned to the characteristics based upon frequency of appearance within frames of the first video segment. In some embodiments, the predetermined value information is adjusted based upon preferences provided by a user of the computing device.

[0010] In some embodiments, the calculating step includes assigning a weight to one or more of the analyzed elements based upon a security profile at the computing device. In some embodiments, the comparing step further includes comparing the value associated with one of the analyzed elements in the first video segment to a value associated with an analyzed element in the second video segment, and determining a deviation value based upon the comparison of the analyzed element values. In some embodiments, the computing device aggregates the deviation value for the comparisons of each of the analyzed element values and determines whether the aggregated deviation value falls below a predetermined threshold.

[0011] In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes a visual representation of a user of the computing device. In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes an object in proximity to the user of the computing device. In some embodiments, the plurality of visual and audio elements includes a phrase spoken by the user of the computing device.

[0012] In some embodiments, the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the computing device. In some embodiments, the computing device is a mobile device. In some embodiments, the secure resource is a website.

[0013] Other aspects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, illustrating the principles of the invention by way of example only.

[0014] The advantages of the invention described above, together with further advantages, may be better understood by referring to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings. The drawings are not necessarily to scale, emphasis instead generally being placed upon illustrating the principles of the invention.

FIG. 1 is a block diagram of a system for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a system for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 3 is a flow diagram of a method for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 4 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment to be analyzed to generate a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 5 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 6 is a diagram of another exemplary video segment to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention.

[0015] FIG. 1 is a block diagram of a system 100 for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. The system 100 includes a client computing device 102, a camera device 103 coupled to client device 102, a communications network 104, a server computing device 106 that includes a video signature authentication module 108, and a database 110.

[0016] The client device 102 connects to the server computing device 106 via the communications network 104 in order to authenticate a video signature captured by the client device 102. Exemplary client devices include desktop computers, laptop computers, tablets, mobile devices, smartphones, and internet appliances. It should be appreciated that other types of computing devices that are capable of connecting to the server computing device 106 can be used without departing from the scope of invention. Although FIG. 1 depicts one client device 102, it should be appreciated that the system 100 can include any number of client devices.

[0017] A camera device 103 is coupled to client device 102. The camera device can be any type of digital video camera (e.g., webcam) that is capable of capturing and transmitting video images of the user and/or the client device 102. As will be described in greater detail below, the camera device is configured to capture images of the user and the area

surrounding the user for purposes of performing authentication of the user and/or the client device. In some embodiments, the camera device 103 is embedded in the client device 102, for example, a smartphone with an integrated camera or a laptop computer with an integrated webcam. Although FIG. 1 depicts one camera device 103, it should be understood that the system 100 can include any number of camera devices.

[0018] The communication network 104 enables the client device 102 to communicate with the server computing device 106 in order to perform authentication procedures. The network 104 may be a local network, such as a LAN, or a wide area network, such as the Internet and/or a cellular network. In some embodiments, the network 104 is comprised of several discrete networks and/or sub-networks (e.g., cellular → Internet) that enable the client device 102 to communicate with the server computing device 106. It should be understood that the client device 102 can connect to the server computing device 106 via a wireless network (e.g., Bluetooth, WiFi, and so forth).

[0019] The server computing device 106 is a combination of hardware and software modules that authenticates a video signature captured by the client device 102 and enables access by the client device to a secure resource. The server computing device 106 includes a video signature authentication module 108. The module 108 is a hardware and/or software module that resides on the server computing device 106 to perform functions associated with authenticating the video signature provided by the client device 102. In some embodiments, the functionality of the module 108 is distributed among a plurality of computing devices. It should be appreciated that any number of computing devices, arranged in a variety of architectures, resources, and configurations (e.g., cluster computing, virtual computing, cloud computing) can be used without departing from the scope of the invention.

[0020] The system 100 also includes a database 110. The database 110 is coupled to the server computing device 106 and stores data used by the server computing device 106 to perform the video signature authentication functionality. The database 110 can be integrated with the server computing device 106 or be located on a separate computing device. An example database that can be used with the system 100 is MySQL™ available from Oracle Corp. of Redwood City, California.

[0021] FIG. 2 is a block diagram of a system 200 for authentication using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. The system 200 of FIG. 2 is similar to the system 100 of FIG. 1; the system 200 includes client device 102, a camera device 103 coupled to client device 102, and a database 110. In FIG. 2, however, the client computing device 102 includes the video signature authentication module 108, enabling the client device to perform video signature authentication locally (i.e., without requiring traversal of the communications network 104 of FIG. 1). As shown in FIG. 2, the camera device 103 is embedded within the client device 102. It should be appreciated that other configurations of the client device 102 and camera device are contemplated within the scope of invention, such as a camera device 103 wirelessly connected to the client device 102.

[0022] FIG. 3 is a flow diagram of a method 300 for authentication using a video signature, using the system 100 of FIG. 1. It should be appreciated that the system 200 of FIG. 2 can also be used to perform the method 300 depicted in FIG. 3.

[0023] The server computing device 106 receives (302) a request to access a secure resource. In one example, a secure resource is a website or other service that is protected from public access and requires the submission and verification of authentication credentials by a user seeking access to the secure resource. The process of authenticating the user involves verifying the user's identity.

[0024] For example, a user of client device 102 can navigate to a financial institution's website in order to log in to his or her account. Typically, such websites require that the user provides a form of authentication credential (e.g., user-name/password, token, and the like) before the user is granted access to the secure portions of the website where account information is available. It should be appreciated that other types of secure resources (e.g., databases, files, software) are included within the scope of invention.

[0025] As described herein, instead of or in addition to traditional authentication credentials, the server computing device 106 receives a new type of credential: a video segment captured by the client device 102 (e.g., using camera device 103 coupled to client device 102). Because video segments are multifaceted (i.e., typically including visual and audio elements), they can advantageously be used to generate a video signature - that is, a collection of distinct visual and audio elements represented in the video segment that are used to identify the associated user and can be compared to other video segments submitted by the user to authenticate the user's identity and allow access to the system.

[0026] The request to access a secure resource includes the captured video segment which comprises a plurality of visual and audio elements. Continuing with the above example, upon reaching the login page of the financial institution's website, the client device 102 captures a video segment and transmits the video segment to the server computing device as part of the authentication process. In some embodiments, the video segment is a single frame (i.e., image) or set of frames of video data captured by the camera device 103 that is used by the server computing device 106 to authenticate the user and/or the client device 102. The video segment can include any number of visual and audio elements that, when analyzed together, comprise the video signature for the video segment.

[0027] FIG. 4 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment 400 to be analyzed to generate a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 4, the video segment comprises a video of the user wearing a

baseball cap 402, holding a cat 404, saying the word "Rosebud" 406, with a potted plant 408 in the corner of the room. Each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406 and 408 are used by the system 100 during the video signature authentication process. In addition, other elements of the video segment can be used for authentication, such as the user himself, apparel that the user is wearing, elements of the room (e.g., door, window), and so forth. For example, the module 108 can use facial recognition techniques to analyze the user and the result of such facial recognition methodology can be used as part of the total score for the video segment (as described in greater detail below). Other examples include voice recognition technology to analyze the user's speech patterns, speech-to-text conversion technology to isolate audio cues and/or spoken words within the video segment, and motion detection technology to track movement of the user and/or objects within the scene of the video segment. For example, if the user nods his head during the video segment, the module 108 can analyze the speed, position, and timing of the head movement as part of the overall analysis process described below.

[0028] Continuing with the method 300 of FIG. 3, the video signature authentication module 108 of server computing device 106 analyzes (304) one or more of the plurality of visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406, 408 in the first video segment 400 to determine a value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. As can be appreciated, the module 108 uses image and audio analysis algorithms / techniques to extract the various visual and audio elements from the video segment. For example, the module 108 can extract the shape of the baseball cap 402 from the video segment (or a single image of the video segment) and compare it to a database (e.g., database 110) of known shapes to determine a match. The module 108 can also analyze other characteristics associated with the visual and audio elements as part of the authentication process - such as color, position, and movement. For example, the module 108 determines that the baseball cap 402 is green and is positioned on top of the user's head.

[0029] Also, one or more of the visual and audio elements in the video segment can be assigned multiple values based upon different characteristics of the respective element. For example, the module 108 assigns the baseball cap a first value based upon its color (e.g., green) and assigns the baseball cap a second value based upon its position (e.g., on top of the user's head).

[0030] In some embodiments, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406, 408 represented in the video segment during the analysis step. Table One below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 402, 404, 406 and 408:

TABLE ONE

Visual / Audio Element	Assigned Value
Baseball cap	10
Green baseball cap	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20
Cat	10
White cat	15
Holding cat in right hand	20
Saying "Rosebud"	25
Potted plant	10
Plant in back corner of room	20
TOTAL SCORE	145

[0031] After analyzing the video segment, the server computing device 106 calculates (306) a total score for the first video segment 400 based upon the value associated with each of the one or more analyzed elements. As shown in the table above, the total score for the video segment 400 is 145, based upon the summation of the individual visual and audio elements analyzed by the module 108. In some embodiments, certain visual and/or audio elements are weighted differently according to a predetermined security profile selected by the user and/or assigned by the module 108. For example, a financial institution may want to weigh the audio element 406 more heavily in the total score than a visual element (e.g., 408) because the institution can utilize speech recognition technology to identify the user with great precision (e.g., it may be harder for an impostor to duplicate a video segment that includes an audio element spoken by the user).

[0032] The module 108 stores the video segment and the associated values for each of the analyzed visual and audio elements in a database 110. The module 108 associates the stored data as a video signature for the particular user that

submitted the video segment. Thus, the first time a video segment is submitted for analysis by client device 102, the module 108 stores the video segment and associated values as the video signature against which future video segment submissions from the user / client device are compared, similar to a username / password combination provided by a user.

[0033] When a user subsequently attempts to authenticate and gain access to a secure resource after providing a video segment, the module 108 compares (308) the total score for the earlier-provided video segment (i.e., the video segment that has been analyzed and stored by the system as described above) to a score associated with a second video segment associated with the client device 102 and/or user in order to identify and authenticate the user. For example, during a subsequent request to authenticate to the server computing device 106 and access a secure resource, the client device 102 submits a new video segment which is then analyzed by the module 108 (as previously described). In order to successfully authenticate, the total score of the newly-submitted video segment as calculated by the module 108 meets or exceeds a predetermined threshold when compared to the previously-stored video segment (e.g., segment 400).

[0034] FIG. 5 is a diagram of an exemplary video segment 500 to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 5, the same user from FIG. 4 is present in the video segment. The video segment 500 includes a plurality of video and audio elements 502, 504, 506, 508: the user has an orange baseball cap 502 on top of his head, is holding a white cat 504 in his right hand, and is speaking the word "Roseburg" 506. Also, a potted plant 508 is positioned in the rear corner of the room.

[0035] The module 108 receives the video segment 500 from the client device 102 and analyzes the video segment 500 in the same manner as described previously. For example, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506, 508 represented in the video segment 500. During this process, the values assigned to the elements 502, 504, 506, 508 are further scaled by comparing them to the same elements 402, 404, 406, 408 as analyzed in the previously-stored video segment 400. Table Two below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506 and 508 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400:

TABLE TWO

Visual / Audio Element (Second Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
Baseball cap	10	Baseball cap	10
Orange baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20	Baseball cap on user's head	20
Cat	10	Cat	10
White cat	15	White cat	15
Holding cat in right hand	20	Holding cat in right hand	20
Saying "Roseburg"	10	Saying "Rosebud"	25
Potted plant	10	Potted plant	10
Plant in back corner of room	20	Plant in back corner of room	20
TOTAL SCORE	115	TOTAL SCORE	145

[0036] The module 108 determines a total score for the second video segment 500 to be one-hundred fifteen. The total score for the second video segment 500 is lower than the score for the previously-stored video segment 400 due to two main differences: a) the user is wearing an orange baseball cap, not a green cap; and b) the user is speaking the word "Roseburg" instead of "Rosebud." The differences result in the module 108 assigning a lower value to those two elements of the second video segment 500 (i.e., because they do not match the same characteristics of the elements as represented in the first video segment 400).

[0037] The module 108 determines (310) whether access to the secure resource is permitted based upon the comparison step. As shown in the table above, the module 108 determines that the total score for the second video segment 500 is within thirty points of the total score for the first video segment 400 (i.e., one-hundred fifteen to one-hundred forty-five). As a result, the module 108 can determine that the total score for the second segment 500 is sufficient to satisfy a predetermined threshold for permitting access to the secure resource. For example, the module 108 may determine that any total score for a submitted video segment that exceeds one hundred is sufficient to permit access.

[0038] In some embodiments, the user can provide certain scoring parameters or thresholds that provide some flexibility

in the visual and audio elements required to be present in video segments submitted for authentication. For example, the user may prefer that the color of the baseball cap 402 is not used during the analysis and authentication process - so that he can wear any baseball cap he might have available and still be able to authenticate to the system.

[0039] In some embodiments, the module 108 evaluates each of the visual and audio elements individually as part of the determination process to calculate a deviation value for the respective elements. For example, the module 108 may determine that, because only two of the nine values for the visual and audio elements in the second video segment 500 fall more than ten points below the corresponding elements in the first video segment 400 (i.e., a deviation value of ten), the second video segment 500 is sufficient to authenticate the user / client device 102. In another example, the module 108 may require that every visual and audio element in the second video segment 500 fall within at least eight points of the corresponding element in the first video segment 400 in order to permit access to the secure resource. Table Three below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 502, 504, 506 and 508 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400, including a deviation value for each element comparison:

TABLE THREE

Visual / Audio Element (Second Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Deviation Value
Baseball cap	10	Baseball cap	10	0
Orange baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15	15
Baseball cap on user's head	20	Baseball cap on user's head	20	0
Cat	10	Cat	10	0
White cat	15	White cat	15	0
Holding cat in right hand	20	Holding cat in right hand	20	0
Saying "Roseburg"	10	Saying "Rosebud"	25	15
Potted plant	10	Potted plant	10	0
Plant in back corner of room	20	Plant in back corner of room	20	0
TOTAL SCORE	115	TOTAL SCORE	145	

[0040] The aggregate deviation value between the elements of the two video segments is thirty, while the average deviation value is 3.33. In some examples, the module 108 can use the average deviation value to determine whether access to the secure resource is permitted while in other examples, the aggregated deviation value can be used. As can be appreciated, a variety of scoring and comparison techniques can be used without departing from the scope of the invention.

[0041] FIG. 6 is a diagram of another exemplary video segment 600 to be authenticated using a video signature, according to an embodiment of the invention. As shown in FIG. 6, the third video segment 600 includes a plurality of video and audio elements 604, 606, 608: a person is holding a white cat 604 in his left hand and is speaking the words "Play it again" 606. Also, a coat rack 608 is positioned in the rear corner of the room. The person in FIG. 6 is not wearing a hat.

[0042] The module 108 receives the third video segment 600 from the client device 102 and analyzes the video segment 600 in the same manner as described previously. For example, the module 108 assigns a numeric value to each of the visual and audio elements 604, 606, 608 represented in the video segment 600. During this process, the values assigned to the elements 604, 606, 608 are further scaled by comparing them to the same elements 402, 404, 406, 408 as analyzed in the previously-stored video segment 400. Table Four below depicts exemplary values assigned to each of the visual and audio elements 604, 606, 608 in video segment 600 and compared to the values previously assigned to the elements 402, 404, 406, 408 from the first video segment 400:

TABLE FOUR

Visual / Audio Element (Third Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
No baseball cap	0	Baseball cap	10
No baseball cap	0	Green baseball cap	15

(continued)

	Visual / Audio Element (Third Video Segment)	Assigned Value	Visual / Audio Element (First Video Segment)	Assigned Value
5	No baseball cap	0	Baseball cap on user's head	20
	Cat	10	Cat	10
	White cat	15	White cat	15
10	Holding cat in left hand	5	Holding cat in right hand	20
	Saying "Play it again"	0	Saying "Rosebud"	25
	Coat rack	0	Potted plant	10
	Coat rack in back corner of room	5	Plant in back corner of room	20
15	TOTAL SCORE	35	TOTAL SCORE	145

[0043] The module 108 determines a total score for the third video segment 600 to be thirty-five. The total score for the third video segment 600 is significantly lower than the score for the previously-stored video segment 400 due to many differences between the two segments: a) the absence of a baseball cap, b) the cat positioned in the wrong hand, c) the person speaking the wrong phrase, and d) the wrong object being positioned in the corner of the room. In this example, an impostor may be trying to gain access to the secure resource by attempting to pass himself off as the user by submitting a fraudulent video segment (just as someone may attempt to learn a user's password by making attempts using random character strings). Because the total score for the third video segment 600 is far below the total score for the first video segment 400, the module 108 denies the request to access the secure resource and does not authenticate the person / client device 102 to the system.

[0044] In some embodiments, if the submitted video segment does not meet or exceed a predetermined threshold for permitting access to the secure resource, the module 108 can offer other authentication means to the user so that such access may be granted. For example, the module 108 can prompt the user and/or client device 102 for an auxiliary authentication credential (e.g., biometric information, device footprint, token, public/private key information, and the like) in order to verify the identity of the user.

[0045] The above-described techniques can be implemented in digital and/or analog electronic circuitry, or in computer hardware, firmware, software, or in combinations of them. The implementation can be as a computer program product, i.e., a computer program tangibly embodied in a machine-readable storage device, for execution by, or to control the operation of, a data processing apparatus, e.g., a programmable processor, a computer, and/or multiple computers. A computer program can be written in any form of computer or programming language, including source code, compiled code, interpreted code and/or machine code, and the computer program can be deployed in any form, including as a stand-alone program or as a subroutine, element, or other unit suitable for use in a computing environment. A computer program can be deployed to be executed on one computer or on multiple computers at one or more sites.

[0046] Method steps can be performed by one or more processors executing a computer program to perform functions of the invention by operating on input data and/or generating output data. Method steps can also be performed by, and an apparatus can be implemented as, special purpose logic circuitry, e.g., a FPGA (field programmable gate array), a FPAA (field-programmable analog array), a CPLD (complex programmable logic device), a PSoC (Programmable System-on-Chip), ASIP (application-specific instruction-set processor), or an ASIC (application-specific integrated circuit), or the like. Subroutines can refer to portions of the stored computer program and/or the processor, and/or the special circuitry that implement one or more functions.

[0047] Processors suitable for the execution of a computer program include, by way of example, both general and special purpose microprocessors, and any one or more processors of any kind of digital or analog computer. Generally, a processor receives instructions and data from a read-only memory or a random access memory or both. The essential elements of a computer are a processor for executing instructions and one or more memory devices for storing instructions and/or data. Memory devices, such as a cache, can be used to temporarily store data. Memory devices can also be used for long-term data storage. Generally, a computer also includes, or is operatively coupled to receive data from or transfer data to, or both, one or more mass storage devices for storing data, e.g., magnetic, magneto-optical disks, or optical disks. A computer can also be operatively coupled to a communications network in order to receive instructions and/or data from the network and/or to transfer instructions and/or data to the network. Computer-readable storage mediums suitable for embodying computer program instructions and data include all forms of volatile and non-volatile memory, including by way of example semiconductor memory devices, e.g., DRAM, SRAM, EPROM, EEPROM, and flash memory devices; magnetic disks, e.g., internal hard disks or removable disks; magneto-optical disks; and optical

disks, e.g., CD, DVD, HD-DVD, and Blu-ray disks. The processor and the memory can be supplemented by and/or incorporated in special purpose logic circuitry.

[0048] To provide for interaction with a user, the above described techniques can be implemented on a computing device in communication with a display device, e.g., a CRT (cathode ray tube), plasma, or LCD (liquid crystal display) monitor, a mobile device display or screen, a holographic device and/or projector, for displaying information to the user and a keyboard and a pointing device, e.g., a mouse, a trackball, a touchpad, or a motion sensor, by which the user can provide input to the computer (e.g., interact with a user interface element). Other kinds of devices can be used to provide for interaction with a user as well; for example, feedback provided to the user can be any form of sensory feedback, e.g., visual feedback, auditory feedback, or tactile feedback; and input from the user can be received in any form, including acoustic, speech, and/or tactile input.

[0049] The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes a back-end component. The back-end component can, for example, be a data server, a middleware component, and/or an application server. The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes a front-end component. The front-end component can, for example, be a client computer having a graphical user interface, a Web browser through which a user can interact with an example implementation, and/or other graphical user interfaces for a transmitting device. The above described techniques can be implemented in a distributed computing system that includes any combination of such back-end, middleware, or front-end components.

[0050] The components of the computing system can be interconnected by transmission medium, which can include any form or medium of digital or analog data communication (e.g., a communication network). Transmission medium can include one or more packet-based networks and/or one or more circuit-based networks in any configuration. Packet-based networks can include, for example, the Internet, a carrier internet protocol (IP) network (e.g., local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN), campus area network (CAN), metropolitan area network (MAN), home area network (HAN)), a private IP network, an IP private branch exchange (IPBX), a wireless network (e.g., radio access network (RAN), Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, WiMAX, 3G, 4G, 4G LTE, 5G, general packet radio service (GPRS) network, HiperLAN), and/or other packet-based networks. Circuit-based networks can include, for example, the public switched telephone network (PSTN), a legacy private branch exchange (PBX), a wireless network (e.g., RAN, code-division multiple access (CDMA) network, time division multiple access (TDMA) network, global system for mobile communications (GSM) network), and/or other circuit-based networks.

[0051] Information transfer over transmission medium can be based on one or more communication protocols. Communication protocols can include, for example, Ethernet protocol, Internet Protocol (IP), Voice over IP (VOIP), a Peer-to-Peer (P2P) protocol, Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP), Session Initiation Protocol (SIP), H.323, Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP), Signaling System #7 (SS7), a Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) protocol, a Push-to-Talk (PTT) protocol, a PTT over Cellular (POC) protocol, Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS), 3GPP Long Term Evolution (LTE) and/or other communication protocols.

[0052] Devices of the computing system can include, for example, a computer, a computer with a browser device, a telephone, an IP phone, a mobile device (e.g., cellular phone, personal digital assistant (PDA) device, smart phone, tablet, laptop computer, electronic mail device), and/or other communication devices. The browser device includes, for example, a computer (e.g., desktop computer and/or laptop computer) with a World Wide Web browser (e.g., Chrome™ from Google, Inc., Microsoft® Internet Explorer® available from Microsoft Corporation, and/or Mozilla® Firefox available from Mozilla Corporation). Mobile computing device include, for example, a Blackberry® from Research in Motion, an iPhone® from Apple Corporation, and/or an Android™-based device. IP phones include, for example, a Cisco® Unified IP Phone 7985G and/or a Cisco® Unified Wireless Phone 7920 available from Cisco Systems, Inc.

[0053] Comprise, include, and/or plural forms of each are open ended and include the listed parts and can include additional parts that are not listed. And/or is open ended and includes one or more of the listed parts and combinations of the listed parts.

[0054] One skilled in the art will realize the invention may be embodied in other specific forms without departing from the spirit or essential characteristics thereof. The foregoing embodiments are therefore to be considered in all respects illustrative rather than limiting of the invention described herein.

Claims

1. A method for authentication using a video signature, the method comprising:

receiving, by a computing device from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual

elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user;
determining, by the computing device, a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual
and audio elements;
5 assigning, by the computing device, a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value
information stored by the computing device;
calculating, by the computing device, a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated
with each of the characteristics;
10 comparing, by the computing device, the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a
second video segment previously received from the remote device;
determining, by the computing device, whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based
upon the comparison step; and
connecting, by the computing device, the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

15 storing, by the computing device, the values for each of the characteristics in a database coupled to the computing
device.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein the plurality of characteristics includes at least two of:

20 a position of a visual element, movement of a visual element, a color of a visual element, a type of a visual
element, and an absence of a visual element.

4. The method of any preceding claim, further comprising performing, by the computing device, a speech-to-text
25 conversion on an audio element.

5. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the values are assigned to the characteristics based upon frequency
of appearance within frames of the first video segment.

30 6. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the predetermined value information is adjusted based upon preferences
received from the remote device.

7. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the calculating step includes assigning, by the computing device, a
weight to one or more of the characteristics based upon a security profile at the computing device.

35 8. The method of any preceding claim, the comparing step further comprising:

40 comparing, by the computing device, the value associated with one of the characteristics in the first video
segment to a value associated with a corresponding characteristic of the same element in the second video
segment; and
determining, by the computing device, a deviation value based upon the comparison of the characteristic values.

9. The method of claim 8, further comprising:

45 aggregating, by the computing device, the deviation value for the comparisons of each of the characteristic
values; and
determining, by the computing device, whether the aggregated deviation value falls below a predetermined
threshold.

50 10. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the plurality of visual and audio elements include a phrase spoken by
the user.

11. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the
remote device.

55 12. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the remote device is a mobile device.

13. The method of any preceding claim, wherein the secure resource is a website.

14. A system for authentication using a video signature, the system comprising a computing device configured to:

receive, from a remote device associated with a user, a request to access a secure resource, the request including a first video segment comprising a plurality of visual and audio elements, wherein at least a first one of the visual elements comprises a physical characteristic of the user, at least a second one of the visual elements comprises a physical object in proximity to the user, and at least a third one of the visual elements comprises an element of the environment surrounding the user;

determine a plurality of characteristics associated with each of the plurality of visual and audio elements;

assign a value to each of the characteristics based upon predetermined value information stored by the computing device;

calculate a total score for the first video segment based upon the value associated with each of the characteristics;

compare the total score for the first video segment to a score associated with a second video segment previously received from the remote device;

determine whether to permit the remote device to access the secure resource based upon the comparison step;

and

connect the remote device to the secure resource if access is permitted.

15. The system of claim 14, wherein the computing device is further configured to:

store the values for each of the characteristics in a database coupled to the computing device.

16. The system of claim 14 or 15, wherein the first video segment is captured using a camera connected to the remote device.

17. The system of claim 14, 15 or 16, wherein the remote device is a mobile device.

18. A computer program product, tangibly embodied in a non-transitory computer readable storage medium, for authentication using a video signature, the computer program product including instructions operable to cause a computing device to: carry out a method according to any of claims 1 to 13.

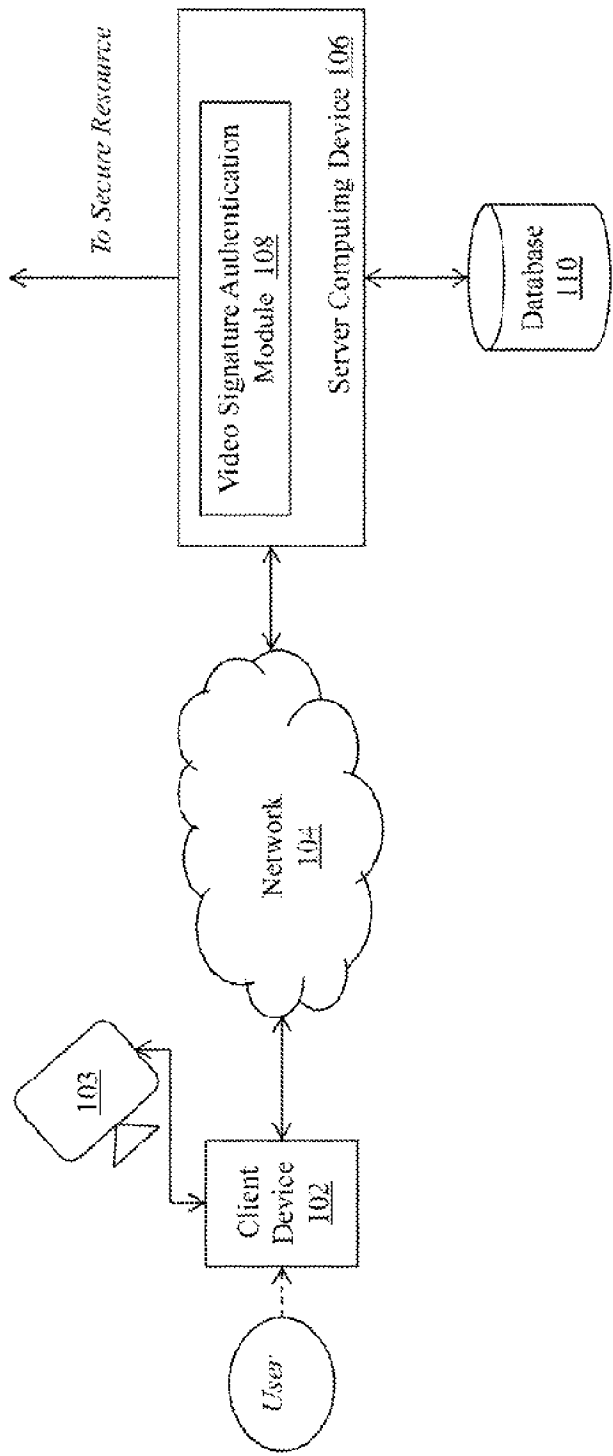


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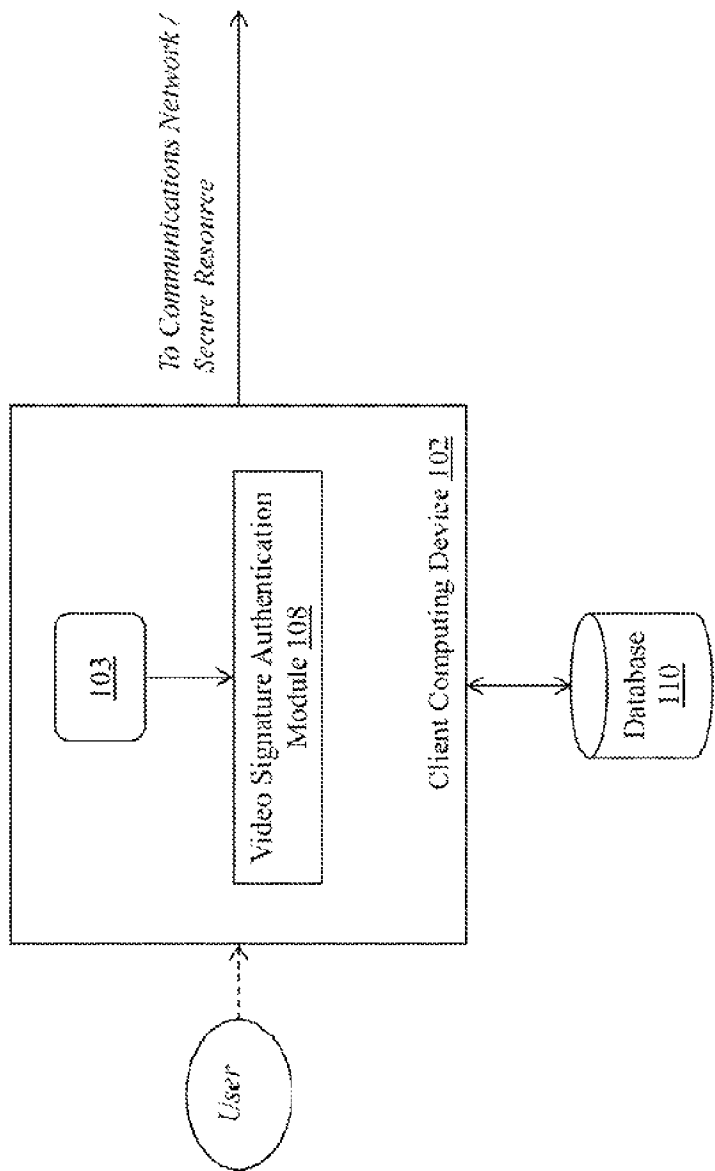
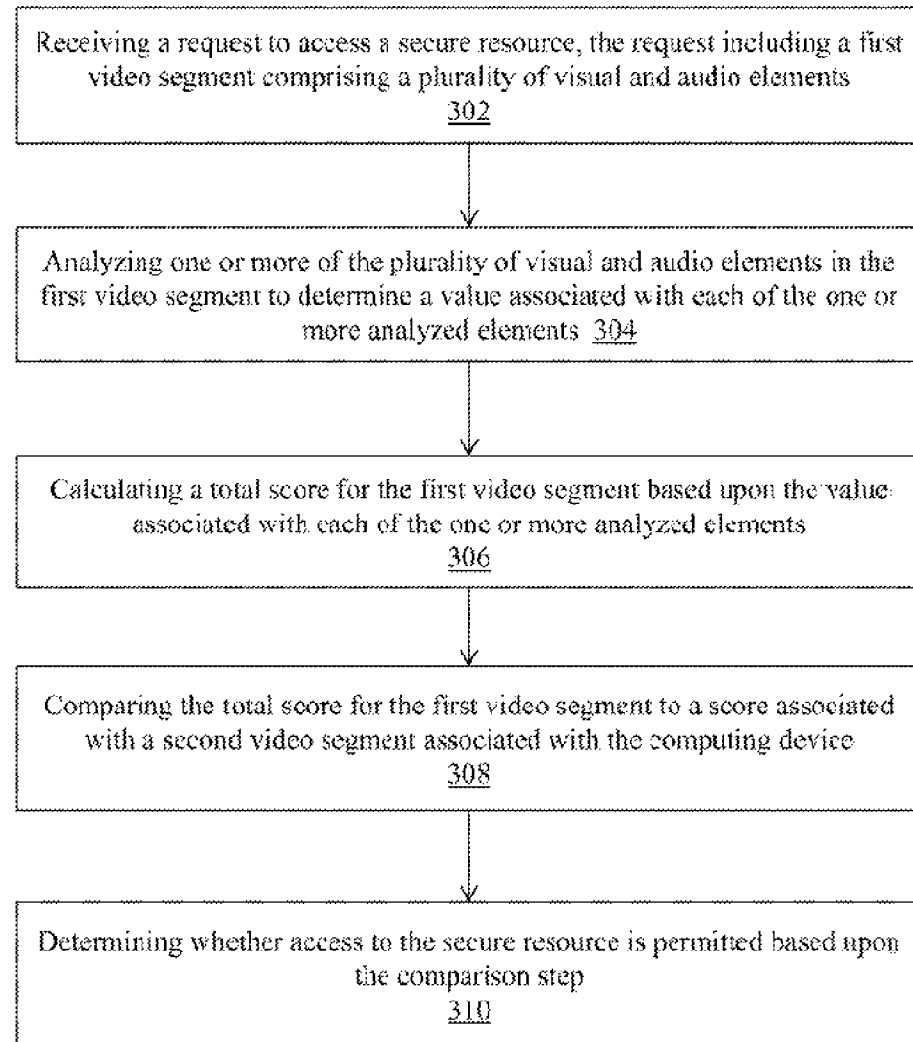


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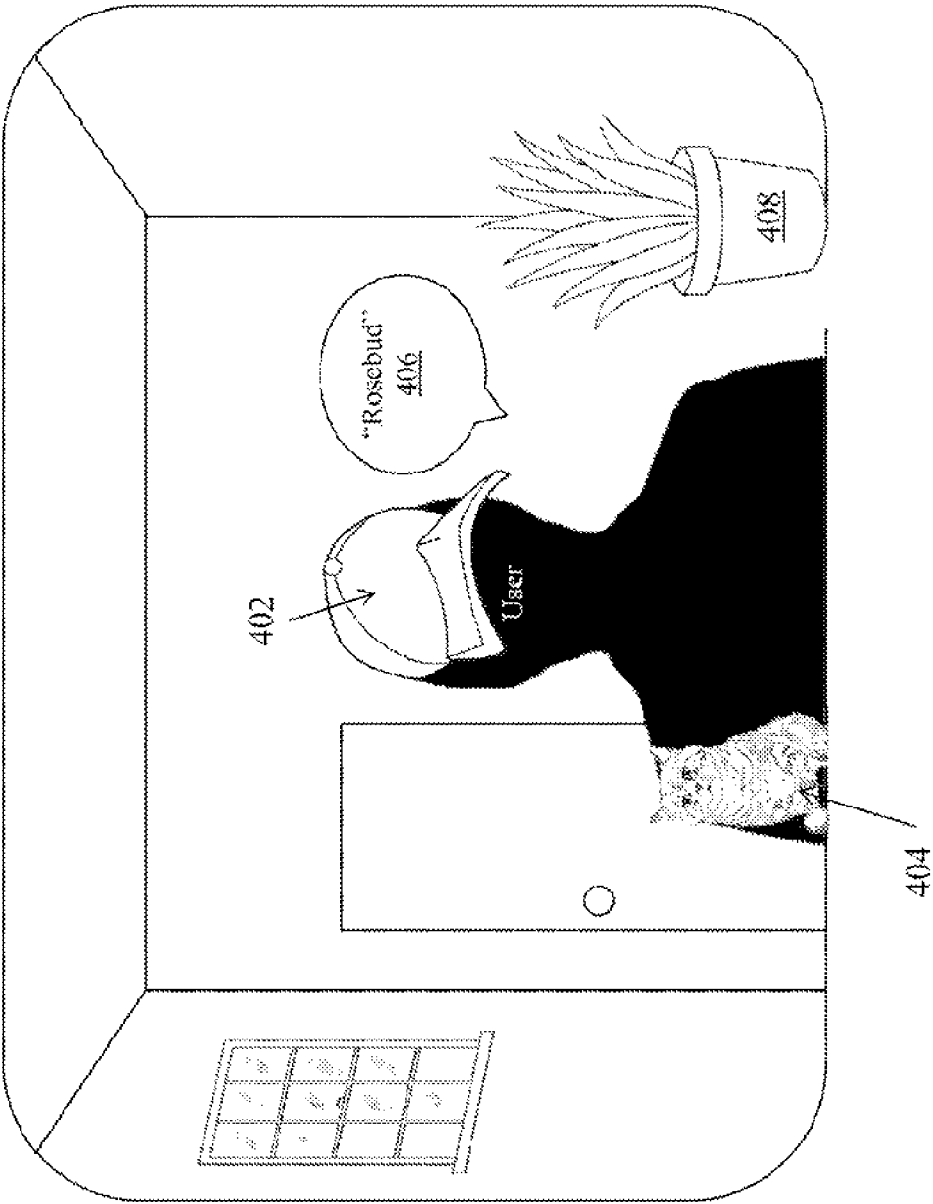


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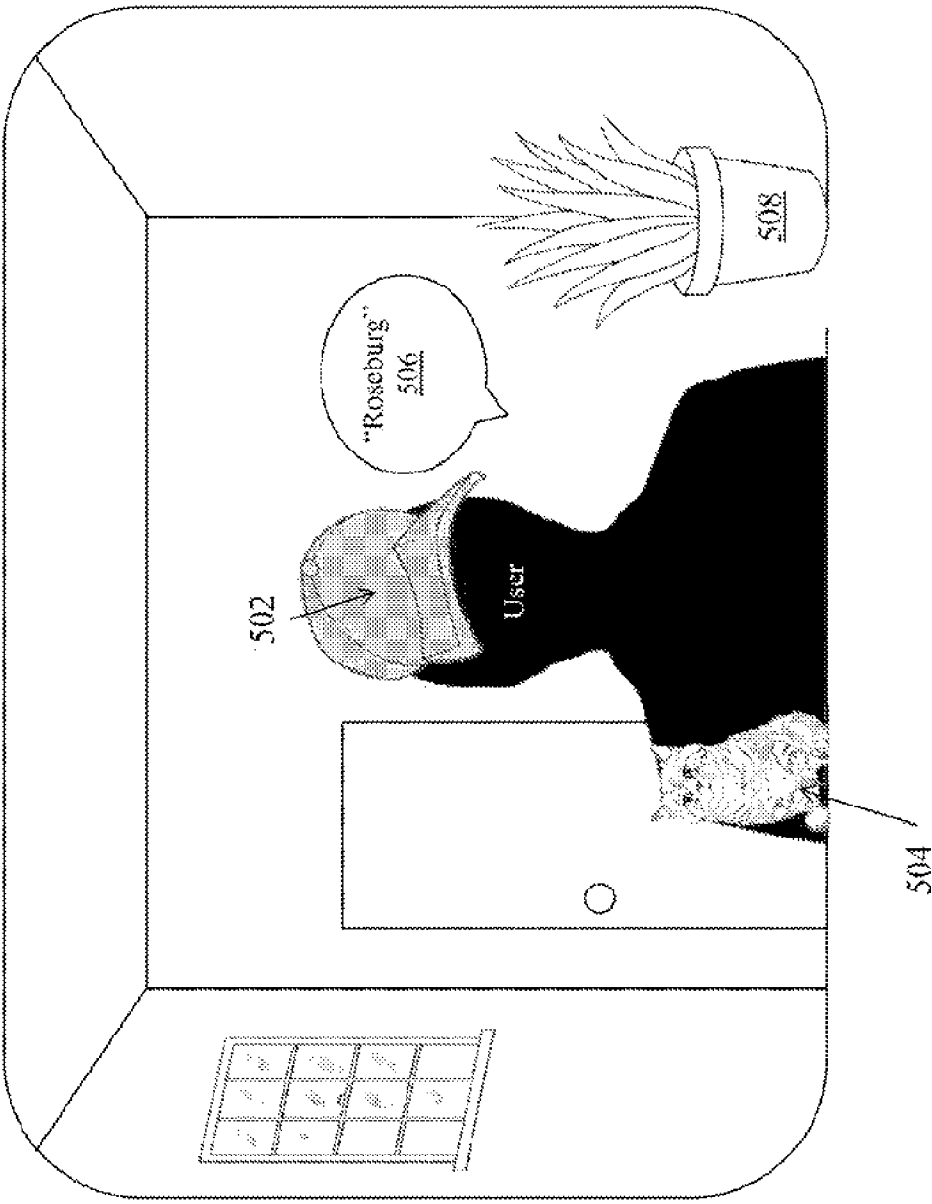


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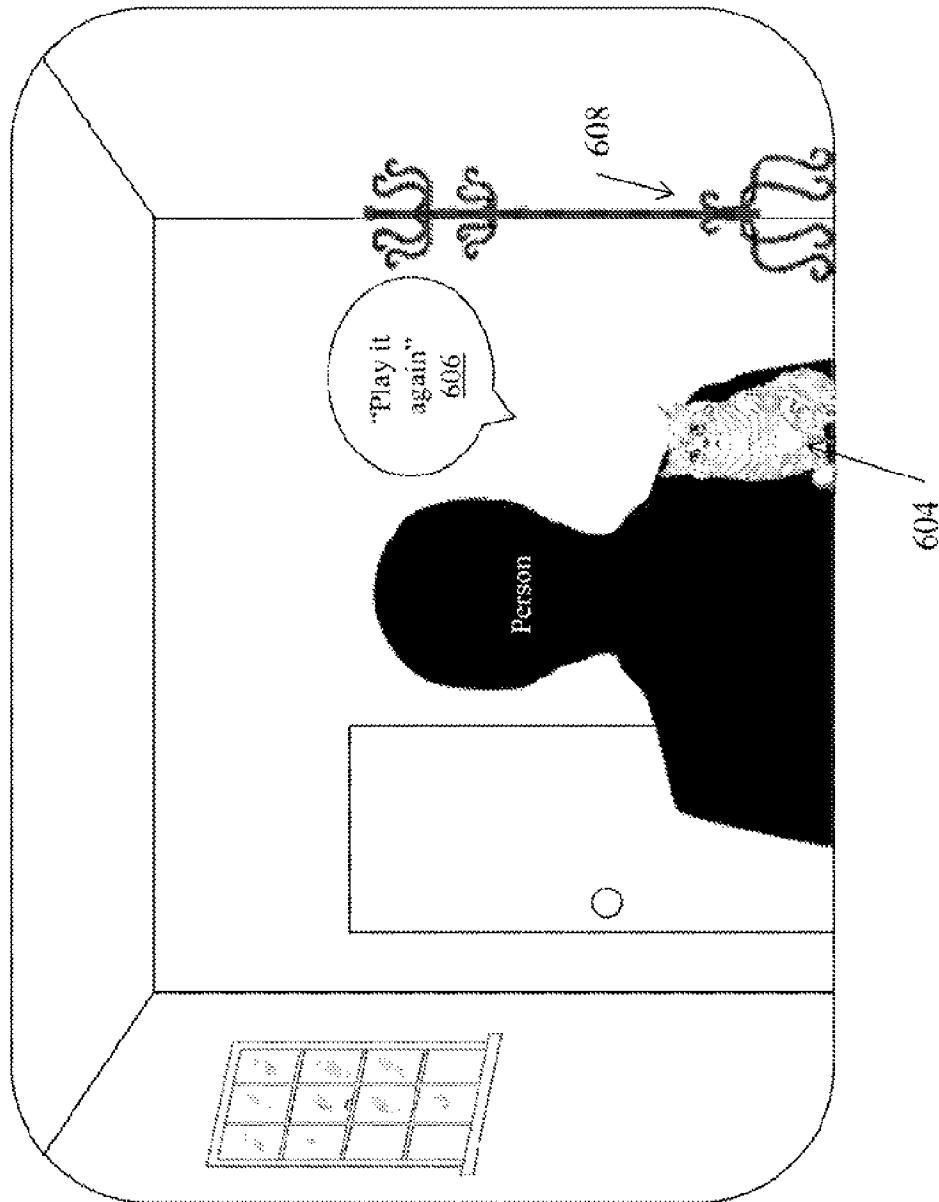


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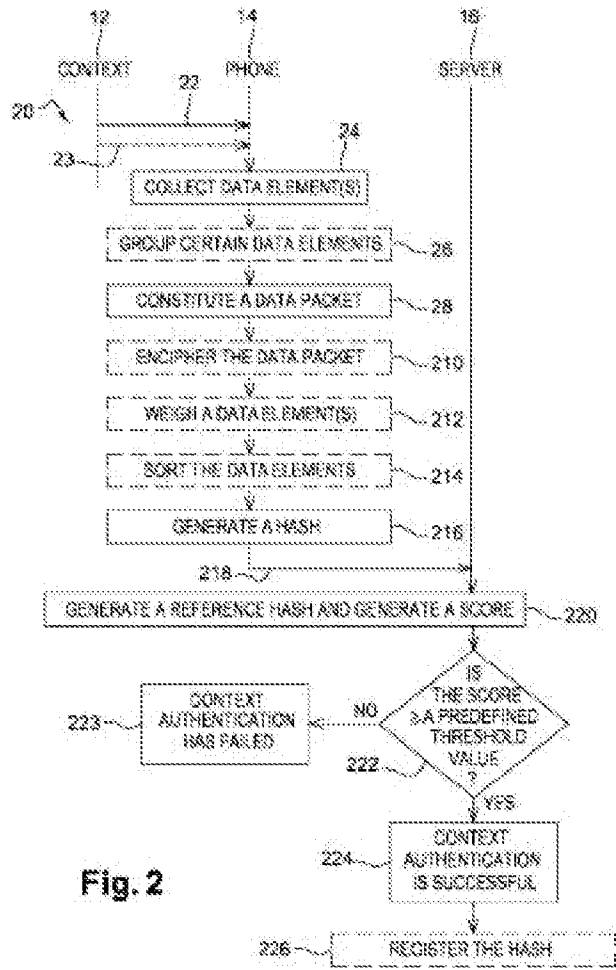


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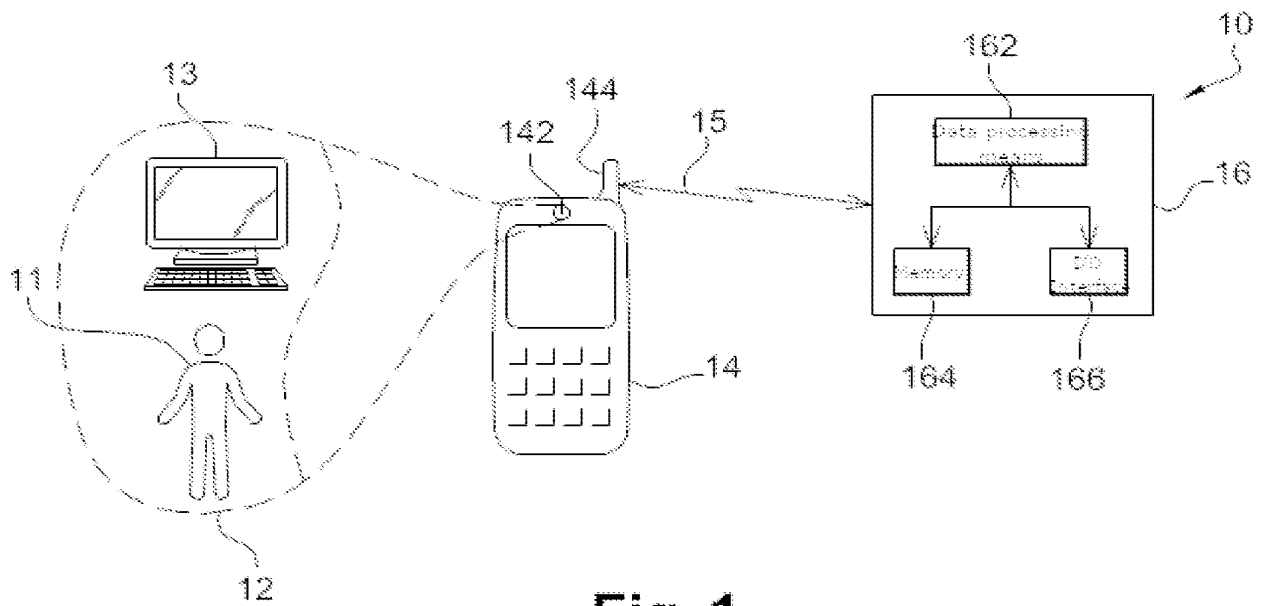
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**Fig. 1**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP Amendment
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Date: February 15, 2022

Applicant provides the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the **Non-Final** Office Action mailed September 16, 2021 (hereinafter "Office Action"). Please amend this application as follows and reconsider the rejections of the claims for at least the reasons presented in the following remarks.

The non-statutory 3-month deadline ended December 16, 2021. This response is however being filed within 5 months from the mailing date. Accordingly, a two-month extension fee is believed due. Please charge that fee to Deposit Account No. **60-4092**.

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page **2** of this submission.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page **3** of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page **4** of this submission.

Amendments to the Specification:

Per CFR 1.121(b)(1), Applicant hereby amends the specification of the application by “Amendment to delete, replace, or add a paragraph”, by submitting instructions to:

On Page 1 of the specification, please delete the title “AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM” and,

by way of the replacement paragraph with markings below to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph ~~“AUTHENTICATION METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING A HASH OF A DATA PACKET FROM COLLECTED CONTEXT DATA BASED ON A HASH DISTANCE GENERATION STEP, FIRST AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, SECOND AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, AND AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM”~~,

please replace with the full text of the added paragraph without any underlining:

“METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING A HASH OF A DATA PACKET FROM COLLECTED CONTEXT DATA BASED ON A HASH DISTANCE GENERATION STEP, FIRST AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, SECOND AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, AND AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM”

Amendments to the Drawings:

Per MPEP 1.121(d), Applicant hereby amends the drawings, by submitting:

- i) replacement drawing, and
- ii) an explanation of the changes.

RE i)

Changes to the replacement drawing is in compliance with CFR § 1.84, and are submitted on a replacement sheet of drawings accompanying this document; in the top margin of each labeled "Replacement Sheet".

RE ii)

Replacement sheet for FIG. 1, adds textual descriptors to elements 162, 164, and 166.

The basis for these amendments can be found on page 13, lines 26-27 of the PCT application where it is set forth:

"The server 16 includes one or several CPU(s), (micro)processor(s) and/or (micro)controller(s) 162, as data processing means, one or several memories 164, as data storing means, and one or several I/O interfaces 166 that are internally together connected."

No new matter has been added.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This communication is a full and timely response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2021. Applicant appreciates the detailed examination evidenced by the Office Action.

Applicant also appreciates the return phone call on February 10, 2022 regarding the objection to the drawings and what would constitute an acceptable correction to Figure 1.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing Amendments and following Remarks.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-15 were previously cancelled by way of a preliminary amendment.

Claims 16-25 remain pending, of which claims 16, 23, 24 and 25 are the independent claims

Claims 16, 20 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 AI), Cheng (US 2017/109514 AI) and Aura (US 2006/0020796 AI) in view of Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403) - see paragraph 6, on pg 4 of the Office Action,

Claims 17 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 AI), Cheng (US 2017/109514 AI), Aura (US 2006/0020796 AI) and Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 AI) in view of Sharifi {US 9514753 B2) – see paragraph 10, on pg 9 of the Office Action,

Claims 18 and 21-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 AI), Cheng (US 2017/109514 AI), Aura (US 2006/0020796 AI) and Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 AI) in view of in view of Chul-min(US 20040221153 AI) – see paragraph 12, on pg 10 of the Office Action,

Claim 24 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 AI) and Aura (US 2006/0020796 AI) in view of Sakamoto (US 2008/0181403 AI) – see paragraph 18, on pg 13 of the Office Action,

Claims 23 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lawrence (US 2014/0108800 AI) and Cheng (US 2017/109514 AI) – see paragraph 20, on pg 15 of the Office Action,

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

No claims have been amended. A response to the claim rejections is in order.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-11 are rejected under U.S.C. §103 for alleged unpatentability over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2014/0108800 to Lawrence et al. (“Lawrence”), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2017/109514 to Cheng et al. (“Cheng”), U.S. Patent Publication No. 2006/0020796 to Aura et al. (“Aura”), in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2008/0181403 to Sakamoto et al. (“Sakamoto”). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

At the outset, the mere fact of need to combine 4 documents in order to arrive at the subject-matter of claim 15 should be considered as an indicia of non-obviousness.

On a second note, the Applicant wishes to stress out that the idea underlying the invention is to avoid the bandwidth-related problems found in the prior art that, once the user captures the context data as defined by the authentication policy, he/she needs to send that entire and private information to the authentication server for its subsequent authentication.

This comes because the authentication policies requiring environment or context input are, unlike usernames and passwords, not fixed and may slightly differ in an acceptable manner. Therefore, if the protocol requires simply hashing the data packet before being sent, to save bandwidth while avoiding disclosing private data, the data originally captured should be identical to the template stored in the server, which is statistically impossible.

Thus, first, the present invention dispense with uploading the entire captured signal of the environment that needs several Mb while, second, still allows the server to authenticate the received data even if slightly differs in an acceptable manner with the stored template.

As it will be discussed herein-below, none of the cited documents addresses this very same problem or proposes a solution which could be applicable to solve it.

1. US 2014/0108800 A1 - Lawrence

Briefly, **Lawrence** addresses multi-factor authentication methods and, notably, discloses that when geolocation information is required for user's authentication it shall be transmitted by the client device to the authentication server which usually takes a long time. In [0034] it is stated an example of time delay between sending the information by the user device until arriving at the server side.

In [0032], it is set out that this significant amount of time may be leveraged by a spoofer to generate a false geolocation signal, for example, by creating a false data set that would mislead a time and/or location of the client device to the authentication server.

To solve this time delay-related issue, Lawrence proposes ([004]-[005]) sending by the client device hash value of the data block that enables authentication to the server, and also the data block itself.

Therefore, the server first receives the hash value and stores the time when this hash value is actually received at server side. Then, the server receives the actual data block comprising the alleged transmission signal data. At server's side, a hash value of the received data block is computed, and its receiving time calculated based on the alleged transmission signal data.

A timely possession of the received data block by the client device is authenticated based on a comparison of the computed hash value to the received hash value and a comparison of the hash value receiving time to the estimated transmission signal receiving time by the client.

Thus, Lawrence simply teaches sending in advance a hash of the data pack to have a reliable time stamping which is afterward compared with the actual data packet received. That is, there is the need of sending anyway the data packet to the server, which is exactly what our invention attempts to avoid for the bandwidth issues commented.

Consequently, as confirmed by the examiner, Lawrence does not disclose or suggest the following features:

- *collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;*
- *generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and*
- *authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.*

2. US 2017/109514 A1 - Cheng

Cheng aims at easing the tedious ways utilized to access the mobile devices which sometimes may delay important and time-sensitive access to the mobile device (e.g., in time-critical conditions). See [003] of Cheng.

According to its general description, for instance as per figure 1, there is a computing system with sensors able to capture activity context inputs and biometric inputs. In particular, a user authentication subsystem embodied in this computing system analyzes and interprets these inputs, and identifies therefrom the activity context and biometric signature expressed by one or more of the participants over time and in a substantially continuous fashion.

Then, the user authentication subsystem assesses the level of access control via access control module based on the score generated by authentication module. Using the activity context, the user authentication subsystem selects a biometric signature of the specific user, which is passed to the authentication module to either generate a score (if there is a match with a pre-stored one) or generate a new biometric key which will be stored in the enrolled user model. See [019]-[020] of Cheng.

First, Applicant wishes to remark that the whole authentication process takes place within the very same computing system, so in the proposed authentication method of Cheng there is no need to send any information or data packet outside. And, especially, Cheng does not focus on bandwidth restrictions or saving as the present invention does.

Hence, there is no incentive for the skilled person to consult this document.

Second, as everything happens internally to the computing system, there is no need to compute hashes and, especially, calculating hash distances for subsequent authentication.

Thus, to sum up, Cheng does not disclose or suggest the following features:

- *collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;*
- *generating, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm, a hash;*
- *sending the generated hash;*
- *generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and*
- *authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.*

3. US 2006/0020796 A1 - Aura

Aura addresses the associated problems about handling and memorizing long security codes when humans are used as secure channels. For instance, it is described that human users have a limited capability to remember long security codes, and if the security code is long enough, a human user may have difficulty entering the security code correctly. Security codes need to have long values (e.g., 50-80 bits) in order to be secure against brute-force attacks.

Thus, it proposes using a specific mechanism: extended Cryptographically Generated Addresses (ECGA). To generate an ECGA, an address owner computes two hash values using a public key and other parameters. A second hash value sets an input parameter for a first hash value, and at least a portion of the network address is derived from the first hash value. The combination of the two hash values increases the computational complexity of generating new addresses and, consequently, the cost of brute-force attacks.

Deep diving on the cited paragraphs by the examiner, namely on [0074], the examiner considers that this excerpt anticipates generating a *hash distance*. Applicant disagrees for the ensuing reasons.

The claimed feature under discussion is reproduced herein:

- *generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and*

And [074] of Aura is also reproduced:

A future cost of brute force attacks may be implied by the cost of generating the ECGA, e.g., the computing power of the computing system generating the ECGA. For example, the input $N \times \text{Sec}$ (e.g., Sec 302 of FIG. 3) may be replaced by a time input parameter indicating a time to be used for the address generation. In this manner, the generation of the second hash value may be based on the speed of the computing device generating the second hash value. The time input parameter may be set or initialized (such as in step 1102) by any suitable party, such as a device manufacturer or operating system vendor or by the user and may be set to the time that the user may be willing to spend on ECGA generation. For example, the time input may be set within a range of approximately 1-60 seconds if the user is waiting for the computations to approximately 1 CPU day or more if the computation is done slowly in the background. If the ECGA generation is done by a fast computer or dedicated machine other than the device for which the address is intended, the computation time may be set depending on the capacity of the machine used for the ECGA generation. More particularly, rather than having an input $N \times \text{Sec}$ 302 based on a number referring to a number of bits, the time parameter which is input to the ECGA generator 312 may refer to the time to compute the second hash value 500 of FIG. 5. The time parameter may be in any suitable form and/or units, such as an integer or real number value in seconds, CPU cycles, and the like. The ECGA generator may compute multiple second hash values during a time period defined by the time parameter input, and the output second hash value 500 may be selected as the 'most secure' hash value generated in that time. The most secure hash value may be determined in any suitable manner, such as by the generated hash value in the input time which has the **greatest number of zero bits**. If the number of zero bits is expressed as $N \times \text{Sec}$, where Sec is a security parameter encoded in some bits of the address, the most secure hash value may be determined by selecting the hash value that has the greatest number of zero bits rounded down to the nearest integer multiple of N. The greatest number of zero bits may be in a predetermined portion of the hash value (such as a predetermined number of the left-most bits), may be the greatest number of zero bits within the complete computed hash value, may be the greatest number of sequential zero bits within the computed hash value, the greatest hash extension, and the like.

Briefly, it explains that the security input parameter ($N \times \text{Sec}$) can be replaced by a time input parameter indicating a time to be used for the address generation. For example, the time input may be set within a range of approximately 1-60 seconds if the user is waiting for the computations to approximately 1 CPU day or more if the computation is done slowly in the background.

That is, in this approach, the ECGA generator computes multiple second hash values during a time period defined by the time parameter input, and the output second hash value is selected as the 'most secure' hash value generated in that time based on a specific criteria. This criterion is e.g., the hash value within the input time having the greatest number of zero bits.

Nevertheless, the present invention does not want to set a specific time window and generate in advance the hashes. Instead, the present invention wants to authenticate the current and genuine context of the user according to his authentication policy. This means that the assessment disclosed in Aura is not directed to authentication purposes but simply to select in advance the most secure hash value.

As a matter of fact, Aura's content teaches away the present invention because suggests setting a time window for calculating in advance the hashes and store them in the meantime for their subsequent local assessment before being sent outside.

Thus, in Applicant's opinion, Aura does not disclose or suggest the following features:

- *collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;*
- *constituting (28), based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;*
- *generating (220), as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and*
- *authenticating (224) successfully or not (223) based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.*

4. US 2008/0181403 A1 - Sakamoto

Finally, Sakamoto describes an authenticating system ([0021]) based on:

- a client apparatus that includes:
 - an authenticating information inputter for inputting ID and password of the user;
 - a client-side hash value creator for creating
 - a first hash value from the authentication information by employing a first hash algorithm that corresponds to a first hash algorithm identifier transmitted from the server apparatus, and
 - a second hash value from the first hash value and a random number transmitted from the server apparatus by employing the first hash algorithm; and
 - an authentication request manager for transmitting messages with a server
- the server apparatus that includes:

- a user information storage including
 - a second hash algorithm identifier that respectively corresponds for each the identification information of the user, and
 - a third hash value pre-created from the authentication information including the identification information and the password of the user by employing a second hash algorithm that corresponds to this hash algorithm identifier;
- a random number creator for creating a random number;
- a server-side hash value creator for creating a hash value; and
- an authentication information manager for, transmitting messages with the client apparatus.

Thus, it describes a authentication system formed by a client-side apparatus and a server communicating to each other. That is, the server instructs the client apparatus about which algorithm should use to compute the hash and further provides a random number to validate the received information afterwards.

This has nothing to do with the solution sets forth in the application or even the problem it attempts to solve.

Accordingly, Sakamoto does not disclose or suggest the following features:

- *collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;*
- *constituting, based on the at least one collected context data element, a data packet;*
- *sending the generated hash;*
- *generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and*
- *authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.*

That is, if there is no calculation of the hash distance, there cannot be an authentication based on this result.

Consequently, none of the cited documents either recites or suggests *inter alia* the steps of:

- i. generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash, and
- ii. authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication step.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, for at least the reasons set forth above, the combination of documents cannot support a prima facie case for rejecting claim 16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). As such, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 16 is patentably distinct from Lawrence, Cheng, Aura, in view of Sakamoto and hence requests that the rejection be withdrawn.

Independent claims 23, 24 and 25 although different in scope, recites at least some of the same distinguishing features as recited in claim 16. Accordingly, the same arguments apply *mutatis mutandis* to independent claim 23, 24 and 25.

By virtue of the dependency of claims 17-22 on independent claim 16 these dependent claims are also novel and non-obvious over the cited documents.

The Applicant believes that this application is now in full condition for allowance. Allowance of the application, accordingly, is respectfully requested. The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner please call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any matter within this Response, or if the Examiner believes a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

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Application Number	Continuity Type	Prior Application Number	Filing or 371(c) Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
	a 371 of international	PCT/EP2018/081759	2018-11-19
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Applicant 1 Remove

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Titled: METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING A HASH OF A DATA PACKET FROM COLLECTED CONTEXT DATA BASED ON A HASH DISTANCE GENERATION STEP, FIRST AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, SECOND AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, AND AUTHENTICATIONTHALES DIS FRANCE SAS, a Corporation

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Marc BOILLOT

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/Marc BOILLOT/

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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

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The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR AUTHENTICATING A HASH OF A DATA PACKET FROM COLLECTED CONTEXT DATA BASED ON A HASH DISTANCE GENERATION STEP, FIRST AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, SECOND AUTHENTICATION DEVICE, AND AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM

APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	UNDISCOUNTED	\$1200	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1200	07/19/2022

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 16/958,252	Applicant(s) DELHOSTE et al.	
	Examiner MAYASA A SHAAWAT	Art Unit 2433	AIA (FITF) Status Yes

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

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

2. ☐ 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.

3. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 16-25. As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the **Patent Prosecution Highway** program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to PPHfeedback@uspto.gov.

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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____ 3. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material _____ 4. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date. _____	5. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment 6. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance 7. ☐ Other _____
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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, see remarks, filed 02/15/2022, with respect to claims 16-25 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejections of claims 16-25 has been withdrawn.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an interview with Marc Boillot on 04/05/2022. Claims 16, 23 and 25 have been amended. The new amended limitations have been underlined.

16. (Currently Amended) An authentication method comprising:

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- collecting, based on a predetermined authentication policy, at least one context data element;
- constituting a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
- generating a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm
- sending the generated hash;
- generating, as a hash distance generation step, a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
- authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication; wherein said at least one context data element is a captured image represented as a string of bits with a fixed length for constituting said data packet, and wherein said hash is a byte stream generated from said string of bits representing said captured image for said data packet.

23. (Currently Amended) A first authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy;

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- constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
 - generate a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm; and
 - send the generated hash to a second authentication device;
- wherein said at least one context data element is a captured image represented as a string of bits with a fixed length for constituting said data packet, and wherein said hash is a byte stream generated from said string of bits representing said captured image for said data packet.

25. (Currently Amended) An authentication system, comprising a first authentication device and at least one second authentication device, wherein the first authentication device is configured to:

- collect at least one context data element, based on a predetermined authentication policy;
- constitute a data packet, based on the at least one collected context data element;
- generate a hash, by using a predetermined hash type algorithm and the data packet, as input to the predetermined hash type algorithm; and
- send to the second authentication device, the generated hash;

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- and wherein the second authentication device is configured to:
 - receive the generated hash from the first device;
 - generate a hash distance between the generated hash and a predetermined reference hash; and
 - authenticate successfully or not based on the generated hash distance; wherein said at least one context data element is a captured image represented as a string of bits with a fixed length for constituting said data packet, and wherein said hash is a byte stream generated from said string of bits representing said captured image for said data packet.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

4. Claims 16-25 are allowed.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: in combination of limitations including authenticating successfully or not based on the generated hash distance, as an authentication, wherein said at least one context data element is a captured image represented as a string of bits with a fixed length for constituting said data packet in combination with other limitations independent claims 16, 23 and 25.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **MAYASA SHAAWAT** whose telephone number is (571)272-3939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8 AM TO 5 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **JEFFREY PWU** can be reached on (571)272-6789. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/MAYASA A. SHAAWAT/
Examiner, Art Unit 2433

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Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2433

<i>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</i>	Application No. 16/958,252	Applicant(s) DELHOSTE et al.		
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MAYASA A SHAAWAT	Examiner	Telephonic
MARC BOILLOT	Attorney	

Date of Interview: 05 April 2022

Issues Discussed:

Proposed Amendment(s)

Examiner contacted applicant with proposed amendments for claims 16, 23 and 25. Applicant agreed to amendment.

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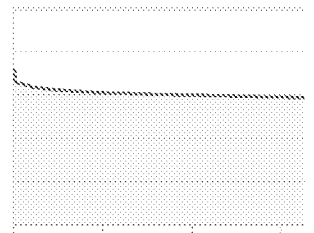
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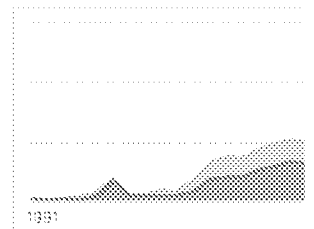
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