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Application Number	14/136,658
Filing Date	December 20, 2013
First Named Inventor	Gloria Lin
Title	Seamlessly Embedded Heart Rate Monitor
Art Unit	3762
Examiner Name	Alter Morschause, Alyssa Margo
Attorney Docket Number	P7276USC1

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Patent Practitioner

Signature	/S. Craig Hemenway/	Date (Optional)	April 29, 2021
Name	S. Craig Hemenway	Registration Number	44,759
Title (if Applicant is a juristic entity)	Attorney for Applicant		
Applicant Name (if Applicant is a juristic entity)	Apple Inc.		

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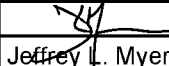


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SIGNATURE of Applicant for Patent

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the applicant (e.g., where the applicant is a juristic entity).

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Date (Optional)

April 20, 2021

Name

Jeffrey L. Myers, Assistant Secretary and Chief IP Counsel of Apple Inc.

Title

Assistant Secretary and Chief IP Counsel

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Confirmation Number:	2657
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First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Gloria Lin
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SIGNATURE of Applicant or Patent Practitioner

Signature	/Robert C. Kowert/	Date	2021-01-04
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Title and Company			

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(c)Applicant/Patent Owner: Apple Inc.Application No./Patent No.: 10,076,257Filed/Issue Date: September 18, 2018Titled: SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITORApple Inc., a Corporation

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1. ☒ The assignee of the entire right, title, and interest.
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

/Robert C. Kowert/

January 4, 2021

Signature

Date

Robert C. Kowert

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ISSUE NOTIFICATION

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Title of Invention:	SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR			
First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:	Gloria Lin			
Filer:	Jeffrey Charles Aldridge/Daniel Harris			
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Applicants : Gloria Lin et al.
Application No. : 14/136,658
Conf. No. : 2657
Filed : December 20, 2013
For : SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR
Art Unit : 3762
Examiner : Alyssa Margo Alter Morschause

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P.O. Box 1450 August 21, 2018
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 15 January 2018.
☐ 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 29-36,39,40,42 and 44-54. 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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/Alyssa M Alter/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3762

DETAILED ACTION

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

Election/Restrictions

2. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 24-28 are directed to an invention non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 24-28 have been cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 29-36, 39-40, 42 and 44-54 are allowed.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

4. 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.
5. The application has been amended as follows: Claims 24-28 are cancelled.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Niketa Patel can be reached on (571) 272-4156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 14, 2017 (hereinafter "the Office Action"). Applicant hereby responds as follows:

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled)

24. (Withdrawn) An electronic device comprising:
a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual characteristic comprises at least one of:
a particular color;

a particular tone; and
a particular reflectivity.

29. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead comprising a first pad that is embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead comprising a second pad that is embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second pad is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with at least one of the second pad and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal, wherein the first lead further comprises a first connector coupled to the first pad and configured to provide the first electrical signal detected by the first pad to the processor, and wherein the second lead further comprises a second connector coupled to the second pad and configured to provide the second electrical signal detected by the second pad to the processor.

30. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;

at least the third portion is constructed from a material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first pad to the second pad via the third portion.

33. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and

the second pad is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the exterior surface of the enclosure further comprises an exterior surface of the second portion;

the second pad is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact

with the exterior surface of the second portion;

the second pad is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;

at least the thickness of the second portion is constructed from material having a second conductivity; and

the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not able to be transmitted through material having the second conductivity over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first pad and the second pad are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion by material having the second conductivity.

36. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath the exterior surface of the enclosure; and

at least one of the first pad and the second pad is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Cancelled)

39. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:

a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the enclosure forms at least a portion of an exterior surface of the

electronic device behind the display; and

a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device; and

a second lead embedded in the display screen of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the display screen of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first lead from the second lead.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second portion of the enclosure.

45. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

46. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first lead.

47. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

48. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second

electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the display screen.

49. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first portion of the enclosure.

50. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

51. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the display screen.

52. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion of the enclosure is a bezel.

53. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second portion of the enclosure is a bezel.

54. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein an interior surface of the enclosure comprises an interior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned on the interior surface of the first portion.

REMARKS

Introduction

Claims 1-23, 37, 38, 41, and 43 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicant hereby reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of any cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications. Claims 24-28 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 29-36, 39, 40, 42, and 44-54 are also currently pending in the above-identified patent application. No new subject matter has been introduced and all amendments are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

Claims 29-36 and 40¹ have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by Weiss U.S. Patent No. 5,623,926 (hereinafter "Weiss").

A one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 14, 2017 is respectfully requested. The required fee is being paid by credit card, but the Director is authorized to charge any underpayment or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-6007.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application in light of the following remarks is hereby respectfully requested.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 29-36

Claims 29-36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by Weiss. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

¹ Applicant respectfully notes that none of applicant's claims 39, 42, and 44-54 are referenced in the Office Action. Therefore, applicant assumes that each one of applicant's claims 39, 42, and 44-54 are dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Confirmation by the Examiner of this assumption is respectfully requested.

Applicant's independent claim 29 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead including a first pad that is embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure includes an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure. The heart sensor also includes a second lead including a second pad that is embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second pad is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with at least one of the second pad and the second portion of the enclosure. The processor is configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal, wherein the first lead further includes a first connector coupled to the first pad and configured to provide the first electrical signal detected by the first pad to the processor, and wherein the second lead further includes a second connector coupled to the second pad and configured to provide the second electrical signal detected by the second pad to the processor.

For example, "[h]eart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112," and "[t]he cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102," where "[t]he processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received

signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication" (applicant's specification, paragraph [0033]). The "size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected," where "each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing" or "an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor," and the "pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing" (applicant's specification, paragraph [0034]), such as leads 322 and 324 of FIG. 3. As a specific example, with respect to applicant's FIG. 4B, an enclosure of electronic device 450 may include a bezel 460, where, "[i]f the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460," or "lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel," where a "short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474" (applicant's specification, paragraph [0047]).

Weiss is directed towards an ECG monitor 16 that includes a bottom case 14 of a housing, where an LCD display is provided at an opposite case (i.e., a top case) of the housing. Weiss' ECG monitor 16 also includes a swing arm assembly 10 rotatably mounted on

the bottom case 14, where sensing electrodes 12 are mounted on the swing arm assembly 10 to allow for variable positioning of the sensing electrodes 12 relative to the display when the swing arm assembly 10 rotates with respect to the bottom case 14.

Nowhere does Weiss show or suggest an electronic device with an enclosure and a heart sensor with "a first pad [that is] embedded in a first portion of the enclosure" and a "second pad [that is] embedded in a second portion of the enclosure," where "an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure," as required by applicant's independent claim 29. That is, nowhere does Weiss show or suggest that any electrode 12 is embedded in any portion of case 14 of the housing of ECG monitor 16 or in any portion of swing arm assembly 10 of ECG monitor 16, let alone show or suggest that any electrode 12 is "positioned underneath [an] exterior surface of" a portion of case 14 or swing arm assembly 10 such that the electrode 12 is "configured to detect a first electrical signal of [a] user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with [such an] exterior surface" of case 14 or swing arm assembly 10. Instead, each one of Weiss' electrodes 12 is "mounted on" swing arm assembly 10 (Weiss, column 1, line 54), where an outermost piece 46 of each one of Weiss' electrodes 12 "contacts the skin" of the user (Weiss, column 3, line 7).

For at least these reasons, applicant respectfully submits that applicant's independent claim 29 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 30-36, 39, 44, 45, and 52-54, are allowable over Weiss. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests

that the rejections of claims 29-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 be withdrawn.

Claim 40

Claim 40 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by Weiss. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant's independent claim 40 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in the display screen of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the display screen of the electronic device. The processor is configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

For example, as shown in applicant's FIG. 3, "electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302," where "[l]ead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302," and, "[u]sing lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322

and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity" (applicant's specification, paragraph [0043]).

Weiss is directed towards an ECG monitor 16 that includes a bottom case 14 of a housing, where an LCD display is provided at an opposite case (i.e., a top case) of the housing. Weiss' ECG monitor 16 also includes a swing arm assembly 10 rotatably mounted on the bottom case 14, where sensing electrodes 12 are mounted on the swing arm assembly 10 to allow for variable positioning of the sensing electrodes 12 relative to the display when the swing arm assembly 10 rotates with respect to the bottom case 14.

Nowhere does Weiss show or suggest an electronic device with a heart sensor that includes "a first lead embedded in a first portion of [an] enclosure of the electronic device," as well as "a second lead embedded in [a] display screen [exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure] of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the display screen of the electronic device," as required by applicant's independent claim 40. That is, nowhere does Weiss show or suggest that a first one of electrodes 12 is embedded in case 14 or swing arm assembly 10 and that a second one of electrodes 12 is embedded in a display screen exposed to a user through an opening in case 14 or swing arm assembly 10. In fact, nowhere does Weiss show or suggest that any electrode 12 is "embedded in the display screen" of ECG monitor 16, let alone show or suggest that such an electrode 12 is configured to "detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal" via the user's contact with at least one of such an electrode 12 and the display

screen. In fact, Weiss teaches away from such an electronic device of applicant's independent claim 40, as Weiss provides each sensing electrode 12 on swing assembly 10 that "allows for variable positioning of the sensing electrodes relative to the display" of ECG monitor 16 (Weiss, column 1, lines 25-27).

For at least these reasons, applicant respectfully submits that applicant's independent claim 40 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 42 and 46-51, are allowable. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 40 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that claims 29-36, 39, 40, 42, and 44-54 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 4 September 2016.
☐ A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on ____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
- 4) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims*

- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are pending in the application.
5a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are rejected.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 9) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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Application Papers

- 10) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 11) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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** See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____.
- 3) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 4) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

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

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 29 and 40 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Weiss (US 5,623,926).

4. As to claims 29 and 40, Weiss discloses a handheld electrocardiogram monitor enclosure with a swing arm assembly which allows for variable positioning of the sensing electrodes relative to the display, resulting in a configuration more beneficial to the desired function of the device. Furthermore, the shape of the swing arm assembly accommodates the human anatomy by allowing the sensing electrodes to contact the skin surface around curved surfaces. More specifically, the swing arm rotates with respect to the main case so that the user of the device can manipulate the viewing

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angle for ease in reading the LCD display. The swing arm is held fixed in its rotational position to some degree by means of a friction clutch (col. 1, lines 24-40).

5. Additionally, Weiss discloses “the electrodes are connected to internal circuitry within the ECG monitor by means of three conductors 50, i.e., one for each electrode, which are preferably miniature coaxial cable. Slots 52 are provided in the side walls of the swing arm chassis for the coaxial cables and for input resistors 54 connected on the electrode end of each coaxial cable. The cables are routed from the resistors through the slots provided in the swing arm and then through the centers of the standoff/pivot screw assemblies, which are made hollow for this purpose. The coaxial cables are terminated in connectors 56 on a circuit board (not shown) within the ECG monitor. The coaxial cables are hidden with cover plates 58 which are preferably solvent bonded to the outside on both sides of the chassis” (col. 3, lines 14-28).

6. As to claims 30-32 and 34-36, see figures of Weiss.

7. As to claim 33, Weiss discloses aluminum material (e.g., col. 2, lines 16-19).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alyssa M. Alter whose telephone number is (571)272-4939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7am to 3:30pm.

Examiner interviews are available via telephone, in-person, and video conferencing using a USPTO supplied web-based collaboration tool. To schedule an interview, applicant is encouraged to use the USPTO Automated Interview Request (AIR) at <http://www.uspto.gov/interviewpractice>.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Niketa Patel can be reached on (571) 272-4156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

/Alyssa M Alter/
Primary Examiner
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This application is being forwarded to your office for further processing. A decision has been rendered on a petition filed in this application, as indicated below. For details of this decision, please see the document PET.OP.DEC filed on the same date as this document.

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This is a decision in response to the petition to revive an abandoned application unintentionally under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(a), filed September 4, 2016, for the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action of March 2, 2016. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2), an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination and submission (37 CFR 1.114), or the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(2). An extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) for one (1) month was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on July 6, 2016. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed April 7, 2017.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(a) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee of \$1200, and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$1700; and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272- 6735. All other inquiries should be directed to the Technology Center at (571) 272-3700.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 3762 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

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This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 02 March 2016.
 - (a) ☐ A reply was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of _____ month(s)) which expired on _____.
 - (b) ☒ A proposed reply was received on 30 June 2016, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection.
 (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) if this is utility or plant application, a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. Note that RCEs are not permitted in design applications.)
 - (c) ☐ A reply was received on _____ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
 - (d) ☐ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
 - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$_____ is insufficient. A balance of \$_____ is due.
 The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$_____. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$_____.
 - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
 - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on _____ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated _____), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
 - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record or other party authorized under 37 CFR 1.33(b). See 37 CFR 1.138(b).
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on _____ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☒ The reason(s) below:

A timely proper reply to the Final Rejection dated March 2, 2016 was not received prior to the 6 month date of September 2, 2016. As a result, the application was considered to be abandoned. It is noted that a Petition for Revival was filed on September 4, 2016.

	/Alyssa M Alter/ Primary Examiner Art Unit: 3762

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137, or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION(RCE)TRANSMITTAL **(Submitted Only via EFS-Web)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed March 2, 2016 (hereinafter "the Office Action"). Applicants hereby respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled)

24. (Withdrawn) An electronic device comprising:
a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual characteristic comprises at least one of:

- a particular color;
- a particular tone; and
- a particular reflectivity.

29. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead comprising a first pad that is embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first ~~lead~~ pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first ~~lead~~ pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead comprising a second pad that is embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second ~~lead~~ pad is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with at least one of the second ~~lead~~ pad and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal, wherein the first lead further comprises a first connector coupled to the first pad and configured to provide the first electrical signal detected by the first pad to the processor, and wherein the second lead further comprises a second connector coupled to the second pad and configured

to provide the second electrical signal detected by the second pad to the processor.

30. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;

at least the third portion is constructed from a material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first ~~lead~~ pad to the second ~~lead~~ pad via the third portion.

33. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and

the second ~~lead~~ pad is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the exterior surface of the enclosure further

comprises an exterior surface of the second portion;

the second ~~lead~~ pad is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the second portion;

the second ~~lead~~ pad is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;

at least the thickness of the second portion is constructed from material having a second conductivity; and

the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not able to be transmitted through material having the second conductivity over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first ~~lead~~ pad and the second ~~lead~~ pad are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion by material having the second conductivity.

36. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath the exterior surface of the enclosure; and

at least one of the first ~~lead~~ pad and the second ~~lead~~ pad is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Cancelled)

39. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:

a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the enclosure forms at least a portion of an exterior surface of the electronic device behind the display; and

a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device; and

a second lead embedded in ~~a second portion~~ the display screen of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the ~~second portion~~ display screen of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal, ~~wherein:~~

~~the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device; and~~

~~the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device.~~

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first ~~portion of the electronic device~~ lead from the second ~~portion of the electronic device~~ lead.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second portion of the enclosure.

45. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

46. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first lead.

47. (New) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

48. (New) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the display screen.

49. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first portion of the enclosure.

50. (New) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

51. (New) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the display screen.

52. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion of the enclosure is a bezel.

53. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second portion of the enclosure is a bezel.

54. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein an interior surface of the enclosure comprises an interior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned on the interior surface of the first portion.

REMARKS

Introduction

Claims 1-23, 37, 38, 41, and 43 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of one or more of cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications. Claims 24-28 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 44-54 have been added. Claims 29, 32-36, 40, and 42 have been amended. Claims 30, 31, and 39 are also currently pending in the above-identified patent application. No new subject matter has been introduced and all amendments are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

Claims 29-32 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Gilles et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,635,646 (hereinafter "Gilles").

Claims 33-35, 39, 40, and 42 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles.

A three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed March 2, 2016 is respectfully requested. It is noted that a one-month extension was previously requested and paid for with the Reply filed June 30, 2016. The required fees are being paid by credit card, but the Director is authorized to charge any underpayment or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-6007.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application in light of the following remarks is hereby respectfully requested.

Summary of Examiner Interview

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the many courtesies extended during the interview of August 18, 2016 with the undersigned and the interview of August 23, 2016 with the undersigned (herein after "the Examiner Interviews"). During the interviews, the

currently amended claims were discussed in light of the cited references.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 29-32 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Gilles. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' amended independent claim 29 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead including a first pad that is embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure includes an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure. The heart sensor also includes a second lead including a second pad that is embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second pad is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with at least one of the second pad and the second portion of the enclosure. The processor is configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal, wherein the first lead further includes a first connector coupled to the first pad and configured to provide the first electrical signal detected by the first pad to the processor, and wherein the second lead further includes a second connector coupled to the second pad and configured to provide the second electrical signal detected by the second pad to the processor.

For example, "[h]eart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112," and "[t]he cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102," where "[t]he processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0033]). The "size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected," where "each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing" or "an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor," and the "pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0034]), such as leads 322 and 324 of FIG. 3. As a specific example, with respect to applicants' FIG. 4B, an enclosure of electronic device 450 may include a bezel 460, where, "[i]f the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460," or "lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel," where a "short thickness

of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0047]).

Gilles is directed towards heart monitoring apparatus. Gilles' FIG. 5 shows apparatus including an auxiliary device 9 with a male coupling 11 on one face for coupling to a case 3, and a female coupling 12 on another face for coupling to auxiliary electrode 7. Auxiliary device 9 is connected to several other auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 which adhere to the patient's bust in pre-determined positions via wires, as shown in Gilles' FIG. 8.

Nowhere does Gilles show or suggest an electronic device with an enclosure and a heart sensor with a first pad embedded in a first portion of the enclosure and a second pad embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, where "an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first pad is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first pad is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure," as required by applicants' amended independent claim 29. That is, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any electrode embedded in any portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone show or suggest a first electrode embedded in a first portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and a second electrode embedded in a second portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9. Instead, each one of auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles is distinct and independent from case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and is remotely coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 via one or more wires of Gilles' FIG. 8.

On pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner attempts to equate the wire connecting electrode 13 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 with the first lead of applicants' independent claim 29 and to equate the wire connecting electrode 14 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 with the second lead of applicants' independent claim 29. However, applicants' amended independent claim 29 requires its first lead to include a first pad configured to "detect a first electrical signal of [a] user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with [an] exterior surface of [a] first portion of [an] enclosure [in which the first pad is embedded]," and nowhere does Gilles show or suggest that the wire connecting electrode 13 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 is configured to detect an electrical signal of a user's cardiac signal via the user's skin's contact with an exterior surface of case 3 / auxiliary device 9. Instead, Gilles' electrode 13 is only configured to detect an electrical signal of a user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with electrode 13, which is clearly distinct from and not embedded in case 3 / auxiliary device 9.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' amended independent claim 29 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 30-36, 39, 44, 45, and 52-54, are allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 29-32 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 33-35 and 39

Claims 33-35 and 39 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles. Applicants respectfully submit that each one of claims 33-35 and 39, which depends from applicants' amended independent claim 29, is allowable

over Gilles for at least some of the same reasons as applicants' amended independent claim 29 is allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 33-35 and 39 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn be withdrawn.

Claims 40 and 42

Claims 40 and 42 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' amended independent claim 40 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure of the electronic device. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in the display screen of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the display screen of the electronic device. The processor is configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

For example, as shown in applicants' FIG. 3, "electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302," where "[l]ead 326 can be operative to detect a user's

heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302," and, "[u]sing lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0043]).

Gilles is directed towards heart monitoring apparatus. Gilles' FIG. 5 shows apparatus including an auxiliary device 9 with a male coupling 11 on one face for coupling to a case 3, and a female coupling 12 on another face for coupling to auxiliary electrode 7. Auxiliary device 9 is connected to several other auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 which adhere to the patient's bust in pre-determined positions via wires, as shown in Gilles' FIG. 8.

Nowhere does Gilles show or suggest an electronic device with a heart sensor that includes "a first lead embedded in a first portion of [an] enclosure of the electronic device," as well as "a second lead embedded in [a] display screen [exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure] of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the display screen of the electronic device," as required by applicants' amended independent claim 40. That is, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any electrode embedded in any enclosure portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone show or suggest a first electrode embedded in an enclosure of case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and a second electrode embedded in a display screen exposed to a user through an opening in such an enclosure of case 3 / auxiliary device 9. Instead, each one of auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles is distinct and independent from

case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and is remotely coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 via one or more wires of Gilles' FIG. 8.

Assuming, *arguendo*, that Gilles' auxiliary electrode 7 as coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 may be equated with a first lead embedded in an enclosure of an electronic device, which applicants do not accept, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any other electrode that may be embedded in case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone embedded in Gilles' display 24 as enclosed within case 3. In fact, each one of all other electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles' FIG. 8 is disclosed as being positioned at different positions along the user's body distanced via wires from the position at which case 3 / auxiliary device 9 / auxiliary electrode 7 / display 24 is positioned.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' amended independent claim 40 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 42 and 46-51, are allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 40 and 42 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that claims 29-36, 39, 40, 42, and 44-54 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney Docket Number:	P7276USC1			
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Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief	Application No. 14/136,658	Applicant(s) LIN ET AL.	
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THE REPLY FILED 30 June 2016 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

NO NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection. No Notice of Appeal has been filed. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance;
 (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114 if this is a utility or plant application. Note that RCEs are not permitted in design applications. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.

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Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) or (c) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☒ The proposed amendments filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because

a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);

b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);

c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or

d) ☒ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).

5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.

6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).

7. ☐ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): (a) ☐ will not be entered, or (b) ☐ will be entered, and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

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

9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).

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11. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

12. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.

13. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement(s)*. (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____

14. ☐ Other: _____.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

15. The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: _____
 Claim(s) objected to: _____
 Claim(s) rejected: 29-36,39,40 and 42.
 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____

Continuation of 3. NOTE: Claims 44-51 were added without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejection of claims .

Continuation of 12. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The proposed amendments will not be entered since they present additional claims (claims 44-51) without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. Additionally, the Applicant's arguments that Gilles fails to disclose a first and second lead is unpersuasive. The lead(s) of Gilles communicate sensed signals and thus are "configured to detect" electrical signals. As such, for these reasons, as well as the ones previously made of record, the claims remain rejected.

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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled)

24. (Withdrawn) An electronic device comprising:
a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual characteristic comprises at least one of:

- a particular color;
- a particular tone; and
- a particular reflectivity.

29. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

30. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;

at least the third portion is constructed from a material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first lead to the second lead via the third portion.

33. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and

the second lead is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the exterior surface of the enclosure further comprises an exterior surface of the second portion;

the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the second portion;

the second lead is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;

at least the thickness of the second portion is

constructed from material having a second conductivity; and
the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not able to be transmitted through material having the second conductivity over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first lead and the second lead are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion by material having the second conductivity.

36. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath the exterior surface of the enclosure; and

at least one of the first lead and the second lead is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Cancelled)

39. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:

a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the enclosure forms at least a portion of an exterior surface of the electronic device behind the display; and

a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the

user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device.

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a

bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first portion of the electronic device from the second portion of the electronic device.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second portion of the enclosure.

45. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

46. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first lead.

47. (New) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

48. (New) The electronic device of claim 46, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second portion of the electronic device.

49. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the first portion of the electronic device.

50. (New) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second lead.

51. (New) The electronic device of claim 49, wherein the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the second portion of the electronic device.

REMARKS

Introduction

Claims 1-23, 37, 38, 41, and 43 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of one or more of cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications. Claims 24-28 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 44-51 have been added. Claims 29-36, 39, 40, and 42 are also currently pending in the above-identified patent application. No new subject matter has been introduced and all amendments are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

Claims 29-32 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Gilles et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,635,646 (hereinafter "Gilles").

Claims 33-35, 39, 40, and 42 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles.

A one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed March 2, 2016 is respectfully requested. The required fees are being paid by credit card, but the Director is authorized to charge any underpayment or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-6007.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application in light of the following remarks is hereby respectfully requested.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 29-32 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Gilles. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' independent claim 29 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a

first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure includes an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure. The processor is configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

For example, "[h]eart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112," and "[t]he cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102," where "[t]he processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0033]). The "size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected," where "each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing" or "an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor," and the "pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing

cardiac signals to a processor for processing" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0034]), such as leads 322 and 324 of FIG. 3. As a specific example, with respect to applicants' FIG. 4B, an enclosure of electronic device 450 may include a bezel 460, where, "[i]f the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460," or "lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel," where a "short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0047]).

Gilles is directed towards heart monitoring apparatus. Gilles' FIG. 5 shows apparatus including an auxiliary device 9 with a male coupling 11 on one face for coupling to a case 3, and a female coupling 12 on another face for coupling to auxiliary electrode 7. Auxiliary device 9 is connected to several other auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 which adhere to the patient's bust in pre-determined positions via wires, as shown in Gilles' FIG. 8.

Nowhere does Gilles show or suggest an electronic device with an enclosure and a heart sensor with a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure and a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, where "an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact

with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure," as required by applicants' independent claim 29. That is, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any electrode embedded in any portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone show or suggest a first electrode embedded in a first portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and a second electrode embedded in a second portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9. Instead, each one of auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles is distinct and independent from case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and is remotely coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 via one or more wires of Gilles' FIG. 8.

On pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner attempts to equate the wire connecting electrode 13 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 with the first lead of applicants' independent claim 29 and to equate the wire connecting electrode 14 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 with the second lead of applicants' independent claim 29. However, applicants' independent claim 29 requires its first lead to be configured to "detect a first electrical signal of [a] user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with [an] exterior surface of [a] first portion of [an] enclosure [in which the first lead is embedded]," and nowhere does Gilles show or suggest that the wire connecting electrode 13 to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 is configured to detect an electrical signal of a user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with an exterior surface of case 3 / auxiliary device 9. Instead, electrode 13 is only configured to detect an electrical signal of a user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with electrode 13, which is clearly distinct from and not embedded in case 3 / auxiliary device 9.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' independent claim 29 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 30-36, 39, 44, and 45, are allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the

rejections of claims 29-32 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 33-35 and 39

Claims 33-35 and 39 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles. Applicants respectfully submit that each one of claims 33-35 and 39, which depends from applicants' independent claim 29, is allowable over Gilles for at least some of the same reasons as applicants' independent claim 39 is allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 33-35 and 39 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn.

Claims 40 and 42

Claims 40 and 42 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Gilles. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' independent claim 40 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the

electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device. The processor is configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

For example, as shown in applicants' FIG. 3, "electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302," where "[l]ead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302," and, "[u]sing lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0043]).

Gilles is directed towards heart monitoring apparatus. Gilles' FIG. 5 shows apparatus including an auxiliary device 9 with a male coupling 11 on one face for coupling to a case 3, and a female coupling 12 on another face for coupling to auxiliary electrode 7. Auxiliary device 9 is connected to several other auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 which adhere to the patient's bust in pre-determined positions via wires, as shown in Gilles' FIG. 8.

Nowhere does Gilles show or suggest an electronic device with a heart sensor that includes "a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device" as well as "a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in [an] enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is

configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device," as required by applicants' independent claim 40. That is, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any electrode embedded in any enclosure portion of case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone show or suggest a first electrode embedded in an enclosure of case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and a second electrode embedded in a display screen exposed to a user through an opening in such an enclosure of case 3 / auxiliary device 9.

Instead, each one of auxiliary electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles is distinct and independent from case 3 / auxiliary device 9 and is remotely coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 via one or more wires of Gilles' FIG. 8. Assuming, *arguendo*, that Gilles' auxiliary electrode 7 as coupled to case 3 / auxiliary device 9 may be equated with a first lead embedded in an enclosure of an electronic device, which applicants do not accept, nowhere does Gilles show or suggest any other electrode that may be embedded in case 3 / auxiliary device 9, let alone embedded in display 24 as enclosed within case 3. In fact, each one of all other electrodes 13, 14, and 15 of Gilles' FIG. 8 is disclosed as being positioned at different positions along the user's body distanced via wires from the position at which case 3 / auxiliary device 9 / auxiliary electrode 7 is positioned.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' independent claim 40 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 42 and 46-51, are allowable over Gilles. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 40 and 42 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Gilles be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that claims 29-36, 39, 40, 42, and 44-51 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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- 3) ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
- 4) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

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- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 24-36,39,40 and 42 is/are pending in the application.
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- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 29-36,39,40 and 42 is/are rejected.
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Application Papers

- 10) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 11) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on 20 December 2013 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

Certified copies:

- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some** c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

** See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	3) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____
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DETAILED ACTION

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

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to the amended claims has been considered but are moot because the arguments do not apply to any of the references being used in the current rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.
4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

5. Claims 29-32 and 36 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Gilles et al. (US 4,635,646). Gilles et al. discloses an electronic device for detecting the users cardiac signal with an enclosure and heart sensor (depicted in figure 8) wherein the heart sensor comprising a first lead (lead connecting electrode 13, as

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depicted in figure 8) embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion (e.g., since the lead is connected to the circuitry located within the heart sensor housing, the lead is embedded underneath an exterior surface of the first portion of the housing), and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure (see figure 8); and a second lead (e.g., lead connecting electrode 14, as depicted in figure 8) embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure; and a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal (see figures 6-7).

6. As to claim 30, as depicted in figure 8, the first portion (the side where the lead connects to electrode 13) is opposite side of the second portion (the side where the lead connects to electrode 14).

7. As to claims 31-32, the first and the second portions are not electrically conductive. Therefore, they are "electrically isolated" from each other. Furthermore, the first and second portions are separated by a third portion. As such, since the first and second portions are electrically isolated from each other, the third portion disposed between the first and second portion (depicted in figure 8), would necessarily be made

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of a material insufficient to transmit electrical signals (in order to maintain electrical isolation between the first and second portion).

8. As to claim 36, the examiner considers the internal cavity where the electronics and circuitry are disposed to be a "pocket" within the electronic device. Furthermore since the leads engage with the electronics and circuitry, the leads are placed within the at least one pocket.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

9. The following is a quotation of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

10. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

11. Claims 33-35 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gilles et al. (US 4,635,646). Gilles et al. discloses the claimed invention except for the materials and/or the second conductivity. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the materials employed in the electronic device, since it has been held to be within the general skill of a worker in the art to select a known material on the basis of its suitability for the

intended use as a matter of obvious design choice. *In re Leshin*, 125 USPQ 416 (See MPEP 2144.07). Furthermore, such a modification would provide the predictable results of modifying the electronic device to meet specific patient therapeutic needs and requirements.

12. As to claims 39, 40 and 42, Gilles et al. discloses a display but does not explicitly disclose where the display is located on the exterior surface or where it is located in the relation to a third lead. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the location of the display, since it has been held that rearranging parts of an invention involves only routine skill in the art. *In re Japikse*, 86 USPQ 70 (see MPEP 2144.04) Furthermore, such a modification would provide the predictable results of modifying the device to meet specific patient needs and requirements (i.e. ease of utilizing or observing the display while the device is being worn).

Conclusion

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

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the

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shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alyssa M. Alter whose telephone number is (571)272-4939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7am to 3:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Niketa Patel can be reached on (571) 272-4156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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1. U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290 for "SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR," issued December 24, 2013. Gloria Lin, Taido Nakajima, Pareet Rahul, and Andrew Hodge are the inventors of U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290, and the inventors have assigned their interests in the patent to Apple Inc., as recorded at reel 022149, frame 0581.

2. U.S. Patent Application No. 14/136,658 for "SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR," filed December 20, 2013 as a

continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 12/358,905 from which U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290 issued. Gloria Lin, Taido L. Nakajima, Pareet Rahul, and Andrew B. Hodge are the inventors of U.S. Patent Application No. 14/136,658, and the previous assignment of U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290, recorded at reel 022149, frame 0581, applies to U.S. Patent Application No. 14/136,658 as a continuation.

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2. The relevant evidentiary documents have been reviewed and, to the best of the undersigned's and inventors' knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified U.S. Patent Application No. 14/136,658 is in assignee.

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REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed June 19, 2015 (hereinafter "the Office Action"). Applicants hereby respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled)

24. (Withdrawn) An electronic device comprising:
a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual characteristic comprises at least one of:

- a particular color;
- a particular tone; and
- a particular reflectivity.

29. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

30. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;

at least the third portion is constructed from a material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first lead to the second lead via the third portion.

33. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and

the second lead is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the exterior surface of the enclosure further comprises an exterior surface of the second portion;

the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the second portion;

the second lead is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;

at least the thickness of the second portion is constructed from ~~[[a]]~~ material having a second conductivity; and the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not able to be transmitted through material having the second conductivity over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first lead and the second lead are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion by material having the second conductivity.

36. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath ~~an outer~~ the exterior surface of the enclosure; and

at least one of the first lead and the second lead is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Cancelled)

39. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:

a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein at least a portion of the exterior surface of the enclosure forms at least a portion of an exterior surface of the electronic device behind the display; and

a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the

user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (Currently Amended) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device.

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Currently Amended) The electronic device of claim [[41]] 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a

bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first portion of the electronic device from the second portion of the electronic device.

43. (Cancelled)

REMARKS

Introduction

Claims 1-23, 37, 38, 41, and 43 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of one or more of cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications. Claims 24-28 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 29, 34-36, 39, 40, and 42 have been amended. Claims 30-33 are also currently pending in the above-identified patent application. No new subject matter has been introduced and all amendments are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

Claims 29-36 and 39-43 have been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting.

Claims 34 and 35 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being indefinite.

Claims 29-36, and 40 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Ceballos et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,522,915 (hereinafter "Ceballos").

Claims 39 and 42 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Ceballos.

A two-month extension of time in which to respond to the Non-Final Office Action mailed June 19, 2015 is respectfully requested. A Terminal Disclaimer is being filed concurrently herewith. The required fees are being paid by credit card, but the Director is authorized to charge any underpayment or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-6007.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application in light of the following remarks is hereby respectfully requested.

The Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 29-36, 39, 40, and 42 have been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as allegedly being

unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290 (hereinafter the "'290 patent").

Solely in order to expedite prosecution and without conceding the patentability of the present claims in view of the '290 patent, applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in view of the '290 patent. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that the double patenting rejections of claims 29-36, 39, 40, and 42 should be withdrawn and that claims 29-36, 39, 40, and 42, and any claims dependent therefrom, are allowable.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 34 and 35 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being indefinite. Applicants have amended claims 34 and 35 to obviate these rejections (see, e.g., applicants' specification, paragraphs [0011], [0044], and/or [0047]). Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 be withdrawn.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 29-36

Claims 29-36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Ceballos. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' amended independent claim 29 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including an enclosure, a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein an exterior surface of the enclosure includes an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and

wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure. The processor is configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

For example, "[h]eart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112," and "[t]he cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102," where "[t]he processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0033]). The "size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected," where "each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing" or "an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor," and the "pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0034]). As a specific example, with respect to applicants' FIG. 4B, an enclosure of electronic device 450

may include a bezel 460, where, "[i]f the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460," or "lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel," where a "short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0047]).

Nowhere does Ceballos show or suggest an electronic device with an enclosure and a heart sensor with a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure and a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, where "an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion, wherein the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion, and wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion of the enclosure," as required by applicants' amended independent claim 29. Instead, Ceballos only describes coil electrodes 61 (and not wiring 53) for detecting electrical signals of a user, and Ceballos only shows each electrode 61 positioned within an opening 50 formed in shroud 48 through an exterior surface of shroud 48. Nowhere does Ceballos show or suggest that electrode 61 is positioned underneath the exterior surface of shroud 48 such that electrode 61 detects an electrical signal of a user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of shroud 48 underneath which electrode 61 is positioned. Instead, quite to the contrary, opening 50 is provided

through the exterior surface of shroud 48 for holding and exposing electrode 61. Indeed, shroud 48 is insulative and would be unable to enable passage of an electrical signal therethrough for detection by a heart sensor lead.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' amended independent claim 29 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claims 30-36 and 39, are allowable over Ceballos. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 29-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) with respect to Ceballos be withdrawn.

Claim 40

Claim 40 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Ceballos. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants' amended independent claim 40 defines an electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, including a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal and a processor coupled to the heart sensor. The heart sensor includes a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device. The heart sensor also includes a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead

and the second portion of the electronic device. The processor is configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

For example, as shown in applicants' FIG. 3, "electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302," where "[l]ead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302," and, "[u]sing lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity" (applicants' specification, paragraph [0043]).

Nowhere does Ceballos show or suggest an electronic device with a heart sensor that includes "a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in [an] enclosure of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device," as required by applicants' amended independent claim 40. Instead, Ceballos only describes coil electrodes 61 (and not wiring 53) for detecting electrical signals of a user, and Ceballos only shows each electrode 61 positioned within an opening 50 formed in shroud 48 through an exterior surface of shroud 48. Nowhere does Ceballos show or suggest any display screen exposed through an opening in shroud 48. Indeed, shroud 48 is only useful when positioned within a patient's body, thereby teaching away from any need to provide a display screen on shroud 48.

For at least these reasons, applicants respectfully submit that applicants' amended independent claim 40 and all claims dependent therefrom, including claim 42, are allowable over Ceballos. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 40 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) with respect to Ceballos be withdrawn.

The Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claim 39

Claim 39 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Ceballos. Applicants respectfully submit that claim 39, which depends from applicants' amended independent claim 29, is allowable over Ceballos for at least some of the same reasons as applicants' amended independent claim 39 is allowable over Ceballos. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 39 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Ceballos be withdrawn be withdrawn.

Claim 41

Claim 41 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Ceballos. Applicants respectfully submit that claim 41, which depends from applicants' amended independent claim 40, is allowable over Ceballos for at least some of the same reasons as applicants' amended independent claim 40 is allowable over Ceballos. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 41 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) with respect to Ceballos be withdrawn be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that claims 29-36 and 39, 40, and 42 are allowable. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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DETAILED ACTION

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

Election/Restrictions

2. Claims 24-28 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on April 17, 2015.

Double Patenting

3. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the “right to exclude” granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory double patenting rejection is appropriate where the claims at issue are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory

double patenting ground provided the reference application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement. A terminal disclaimer must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(b).

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4. Claims 29-43 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 8615290. Although the claims at issue are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because both recite an enclosure or housing, a heart sensor, a first lead embedded in a first portion of the device enclosure and a second lead embedded in a second portion of the device enclosure and a processor.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112(b):
(b) CONCLUSION.—The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the inventor or a joint inventor regards as the invention.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112 (pre-AIA), second paragraph:
The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

6. Claim 34-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112(b) or 35 U.S.C. 112 (pre-AIA), second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the inventor or a joint inventor, or for pre-AIA the applicant regards as the invention.

7. As to claim 34, it is unclear how the "second conductivity" is such that the signal cannot is not transmitted over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion. The examiner requests clarification how the thickness of the second portion impacts the conductivity and how to quantify such conductivity characteristics.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

8. In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.

9. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

10. Claims 29-38, 40 and 43 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ceballos et al. (US 6,522,915 B1).

11. As to claims 29, 40 and 43, Ceballos et al. discloses a subcutaneous electrode array (SEA) around the perimeter of an implantable medical device. The SEA electrodes are positioned in a non-conductive shroud (see figure 6).

12. The examiner considers the surround shroud with the recessed cups (depicted as 49a in figure 6) to be the enclosure. As additionally seen in figure 6, an electrode (coiled electrode depicted as 61) is positioned within the enclosure. An electrode is positioned within the bezel on the housing. The electrode functions as a heart sensor to detect cardiac depolarizations (col. 10, lines 5-13).

13. Additionally Ceballos et al. discloses “there are four recessed openings 50. A cup 49a with a contact plate 49b is fitted into each recessed opening. Into each of recessed openings 50 is placed an electrode such as a helical electrode (see FIG. 9 for details) that, in conjunction with other paired electrodes detect cardiac depolarizations. These electrical signals are passed to contact plate 49b that is electrically connected to hybrid circuitry 42 via insulated wires running on the inner portion of surround shroud 48 (see FIG. 5 for details)” (col. 10, lines 5-13). Thus the electrodes or heart sensor(s) include a lead (tubular wiring depicted as 53 in figure 6) that runs through the channels 62 formed in the inner surface of the housing (surround shroud). The sensors, through the wiring, connect to the hybrid circuitry (depicted as 42 in figure 4) and thus connect to a processor for receiving the signals (col. 10, lines 16-19).

14. Furthermore, since there are a plurality of electrodes and recessed openings (four depicted in figure 4) located in the housing (surround shroud) the examiner considers the housing to have a first section (one of the recessed openings) and a

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second section (an additional recessed opening). As seen in figure 6, for example, the portion of the housing with the recessed opening depicted as 60 is considered to be the first section (with a first associated lead, i.e. tubular wiring 53) while the second recessed opening depicted as the coil electrode 61 in figure 6 (with a second associated lead, i.e. tubular wiring 53) is considered to be the second section.

15. As to claim 30, as depicted in figure 6, for example, the first portion and second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

16. As to claim 31, since the housing (surround shroud) is non-conducting the first section with the first recessed opening is electrically isolated from the second section with the second recessed opening.

17. As to claim 32, as additionally depicted in figure 6, there is a third recessed opening depicted between the first and second portions. The examiner considers the third recessed opening to be the third portion. Additionally, since the surround shroud or housing, is constructed from non-conducting material, the third portion of the housing is constructed from a material having a first conductivity that is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signals via the first lead to the second lead.

18. As to claim 34, as best understood in light of the 112 rejections above, the thickness of the second portion of the housing is constructed from a non-conductive material and thus a material having a second conductivity such that a second electrical signal is not transmitted over the distance larger than a thickness of the second portion (i.e. the signal is not transmitted through the second portion since it is non-conductive).

19. As to claim 35, as depicted in figure 6, the first lead and second lead are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

20. As to claim 36, the electrodes or sensors positioned in the housing are associated with leads (tubular wiring). The tubular wiring is retained in the channels formed in the surround shroud. The examiner considers the channels that retain the lead to be the “pockets”.

21. As to claims 37-38, as seen in figure 6, for example, the exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion that disposes the lead underneath the exterior surface.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

22. The following is a quotation of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

23. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

24. Claims 39 and 41-42 are rejected under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ceballos et al. (US 6,522,915 B1). Ceballos et al. discloses a display (depicted as 64 in figure 2) but does not explicitly disclose the display is located on the

electronic device. It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the location of the screen or electronic components in order to provide the predictable results to modify treatment to meet specific patient needs and requirements, especially ensuring sufficient communication to the patient and/or clinician.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alyssa M. Alter whose telephone number is (571)272-4939. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7am to 3:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Niketa Patel can be reached on (571) 272-4156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2015, which did not address the merits of the above-identified patent application, but required restriction of the application to one of two alleged inventions. Applicants hereby amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled)

24. (Withdrawn) An electronic device comprising:
a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (Withdrawn) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual

characteristic comprises at least one of:

- a particular color;
- a particular tone; and
- a particular reflectivity.

29. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

30. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;

at least the third portion is constructed from a material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first lead to the second lead via the third portion.

33. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and

the second lead is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:

the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with an exterior surface of the second portion;

the second lead is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;

at least the thickness of the second portion is constructed from a material having a second conductivity; and

the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not transmitted over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first lead and the second lead are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

36. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath an outer surface of the enclosure; and

at least one of the first lead and the second lead is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:

an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion; and

the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion.

38. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 37, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion.

39. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:

a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein the enclosure forms an exterior surface of the electronic device behind the display; and

a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

41. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device.

42. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 41, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first portion of the electronic device from the second portion of the electronic device.

43. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a first portion of an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a second portion of the enclosure of the electronic device.

REMARKS

Introduction

Claims 1-23 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue any cancelled claims in one or more continuations. Claims 24-28 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 29-43 are currently pending in the above-identified patent application.

Summary of Office Action

The Examiner found that there are allegedly two distinct inventions in the above-identified patent application and required restriction to one of those inventions, as follows:

Group I: Claims 24-28, allegedly "drawn to an apparatus with a bezel and heart sensor, classified in A61B 5/0404"; and

Group II: Claims 29-43, allegedly "drawn to an apparatus with lead wires and a heart sensor, classified in A61B 5/024.

Applicants' Election

Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, for examination in this application, the claims of the alleged invention of Group II (i.e., claims 29-43).

Conclusion

Applicants have elected for examination a single alleged invention as required by the Examiner. An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 December 2013.
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- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on ____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
- 4) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims*

- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 24-43 is/are pending in the application.
5a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are rejected.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 9) ☒ Claim(s) 24-43 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

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DETAILED ACTION

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

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

I. Claims 24-28, drawn to an apparatus with a bezel and heart sensor, classified in A61B 5/0404.

II. Claims 29-43, drawn to an apparatus with lead wires and a heart sensor, classified in A61B 5/024.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

2. Inventions I and II are directed to related apparatuses. The related inventions are distinct if: (1) the inventions as claimed are either not capable of use together or can have a materially different design, mode of operation, function, or effect; (2) the inventions do not overlap in scope, i.e., are mutually exclusive; and (3) the inventions as claimed are not obvious variants. See MPEP § 806.05(j). In the instant case, the inventions as claimed have different designs and modes of operation. Invention I requires a bezel and wireless heart sensor. Conversely, Invention II does not require a bezel and instead requires a wired heart sensor with two leads. Furthermore, the inventions as claimed do not encompass overlapping subject matter and there is nothing of record to show them to be obvious variants.

3. Restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper because all these inventions listed in this action are independent or distinct for the reasons given above

and there would be a serious search and/or examination burden if restriction were not required because one or more of the following reasons apply: the divergent subject matter would necessitate a divergent search.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include (i) an election of an invention to be examined even though the requirement may be traversed (37 CFR 1.143) and (ii) identification of the claims encompassing the elected invention.

The election of an invention may be made with or without traverse. To reserve a right to petition, the election must be made with traverse. If the reply does not distinctly and specifically point out supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election shall be treated as an election without traverse. Traversal must be presented at the time of election in order to be considered timely. Failure to timely traverse the requirement will result in the loss of right to petition under 37 CFR 1.144. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which of these claims are readable upon the elected invention.

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the inventions are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the inventions to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103 or pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

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4. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be corrected in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(a) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. A request to correct inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a) must be accompanied by an application data sheet in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76 that identifies each inventor by his or her legal name and by the processing fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

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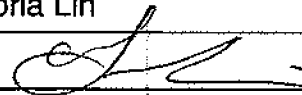
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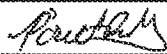
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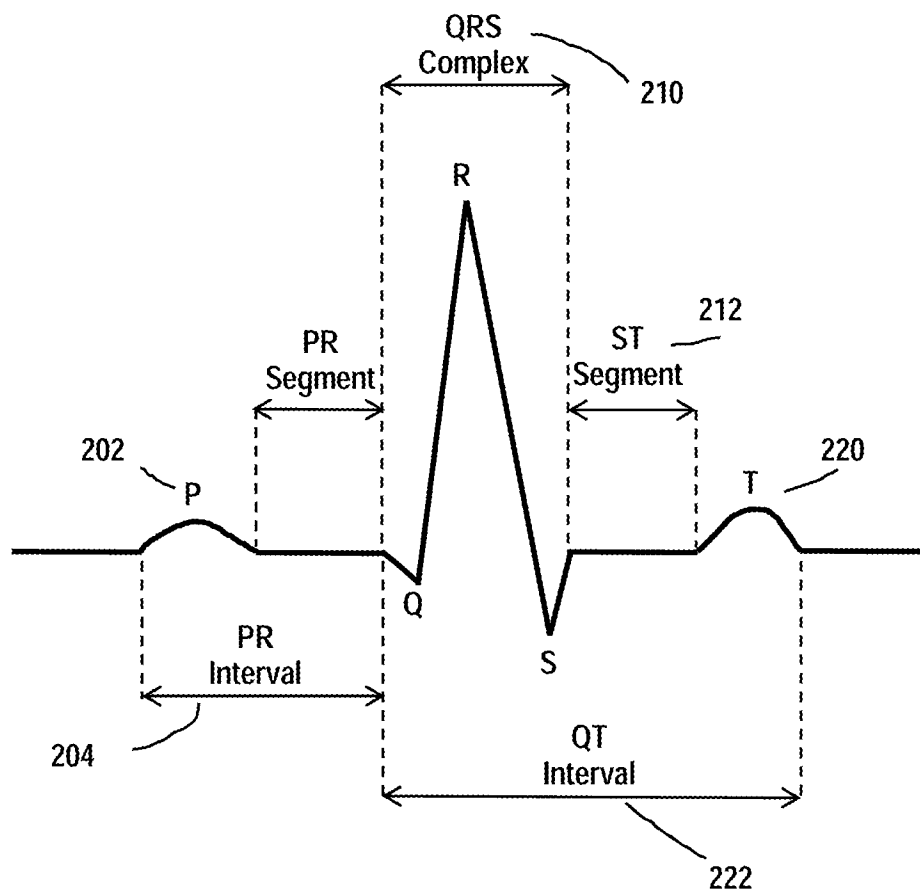
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- A properly executed inventor's oath or declaration has not been received for the following inventor(s):
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, applicants hereby amend the
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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
that begin on page 6 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 12/358,905, filed January 23, 2009 (now U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290), which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/111,498, filed November 5, 2008.~~, which~~ Each of these earlier applications is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please amend paragraph [0025] as follows:

[0025] Electronic device 100 can include any suitable mechanism or component for allowing a user to provide inputs to input/output circuitry 108. For example, electronic device 100 can include any suitable input mechanism, such as for example, a button, keypad, dial, a click wheel, or a touch screen. In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include a capacitive sensing mechanism, or a multi-touch capacitive sensing mechanism. Some sensing mechanisms are described in commonly owned ~~Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026521, filed July 30, 2004, entitled "Gestures for Touch Sensitive Input Device,"~~ U.S. Patent Nos. 8,479,122 and 8,239,784, and ~~Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026535, filed January 18, 2005, entitled "Mode-Based Graphical User Interfaces for Touch Sensitive Input Device,"~~ both of which are incorporated herein in their entirety.

Please amend paragraph [0034] as follows:

[0034] The heart sensor leads can be constructed from any suitable material. In some embodiments, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a specific material selected for particular conductive properties that permit a more effective transmission of the electrical signals reflecting the user's cardiac activity. For example, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a silver

based compound, which can provide superior conductivity relative to other metallic compounds (e.g., steel or aluminum). In addition, the size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected. For example, each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing. The pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing. As another example, an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor. In such embodiments, the portion of the enclosure can be sufficiently electrically isolated from other conductive portions of the electronic device housing to ensure that lead portions of the device do not short. In some embodiments, an accessory coupled to the electronic device can be used to detect a user's heart rate. For example, the leads can be located in one or more earbuds or in a headset, for example as is described in commonly assigned U.S. ~~Patent Application No. 11/729,075, filed March 3, 2007, entitled~~ "Integrated Sensors For Tracking Performance Metrics," Publication No. 2008/0076972, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please amend paragraph [0042] as follows:

[0042] The heart sensor of the electronic device can include several leads for detecting the user's heart activity. The leads can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device. FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 300 can include display 302 and bezel 310, and be portable such that a user can hold electronic device with fingers extending against one of sides 312 and 314 of bezel 310, and the user's thumb extending against the other of

sides 312 and 314. Leads 322 and 324, which can include conductive pads, can be coupled to sides 312 and ~~324~~ 314 of bezel 310, respectively, such that when the user holds the device, the user's thumb and fingers are placed in contact with leads 322 and 324. Alternatively, bezel 310 can include any other suitable number of leads, or any other suitable distribution of leads along bezel 310 and in other portions of electronic device 300. The leads can detect the user's cardiac activity through the contact with the user's thumb and fingers, and provide the detected activity to the electronic device processor for processing. The size of leads 322 and 324 can be selected based on any suitable consideration, including for example the different possible positions of a user's hands on the device, the amount of contact necessary to detect the user's cardiac activity, preventing or reducing short circuits and other cardiac signal detection errors, manufacturing considerations (e.g., the minimum or maximum size leads that can be integrated in the bezel), aesthetic considerations (e.g., sizing leads 322 and 324 to reduce the visibility of leads 322 and 324), or any other suitable consideration.

Please amend paragraph [0053] as follows:

[0053] In some embodiments, the electronic device can use the detected heart rate or heartbeat characteristics to determine the user's mood. In particular, because the allowable determined characteristics associated with each user can include a range of values, the electronic device can determine the distribution of the detected characteristics in the allowable characteristic ranges. Using the determined distribution, the electronic device can establish a user's mood and provide electronic device operations or data (e.g., media) associated with the extrapolated mood. Systems and methods for providing mood-based electronic device operations are discussed in more detail in commonly assigned U.S. ~~Patent Application~~ No. 12/218,203, filed July 10, 2008 and entitled "System and Method

~~for Creating a Playlist Based on Mood,"~~ Publication No. 2010/0011388,
which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please amend paragraph [0056] as follows:

[0056] At step 608, the electronic device can prevent access to restricted electronic device operations. For example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing personal or private information associated with other users. As another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing applications or operations associated with particular users (e.g., applications purchased by particular users). As still another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing any electronic device operation (e.g., no operation except for emergency calls). Process 600 can then end at step 610.

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-23. (Cancelled).

24. (New) An electronic device comprising:

a bezel, wherein an outer surface of at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first visual characteristic; and
a heart sensor coupled to the at least a portion of the bezel and operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, wherein an outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second visual characteristic that matches the first visual characteristic.

25. (New) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel and the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a portion of an outer surface of the electronic device.

26. (New) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein:
the outer surface of the at least a portion of the bezel comprises a first finish; and
the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a second finish that matches the first finish.

27. (New) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein the outer surface of the heart sensor comprises a conductive coating that provides the second visual characteristic.

28. (New) The electronic device of claim 24, wherein each of the first visual characteristic and the second visual characteristic comprises at least one of:

a particular color;
a particular tone; and
a particular reflectivity.

29. (New) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:

an enclosure;

a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:

a first lead embedded in a first portion of the enclosure, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the enclosure; and

a second lead embedded in a second portion of the enclosure, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion of the enclosure; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to receive and process the detected cardiac signal.

30. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion and the second portion are located on opposite sides of the electronic device.

31. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein the first portion is electrically isolated from the second portion.

32. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:
the first portion is separated from the second portion by a third portion of the enclosure;
at least the third portion is constructed from a

material having a first conductivity; and

the first conductivity is insufficient to transmit the first electrical signal from the first lead to the second lead via the third portion.

33. (New) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:
the material having the first conductivity comprises one of aluminum and steel; and
the second lead is constructed from a silver based compound.

34. (New) The electronic device of claim 32, wherein:
the second lead is configured to detect the second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with an exterior surface of the second portion;
the second lead is positioned from the exterior surface of the second portion by a thickness of the second portion;
at least the thickness of the second portion is constructed from a material having a second conductivity; and
the second conductivity is defined such that the second electrical signal is not transmitted over a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

35. (New) The electronic device of claim 34, wherein the first lead and the second lead are positioned apart from one another at a distance larger than the thickness of the second portion.

36. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:
the enclosure further comprises at least one pocket underneath an outer surface of the enclosure; and
at least one of the first lead and the second lead is placed within the at least one pocket.

37. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, wherein:
an exterior surface of the enclosure comprises an exterior surface of the first portion; and
the first lead is positioned underneath the exterior surface of the first portion.

38. (New) The electronic device of claim 37, wherein the first lead is configured to detect the first electrical signal via the user's contact with the exterior surface of the first portion.

39. (New) The electronic device of claim 29, further comprising:
a display, wherein the enclosure supports the display, and wherein the enclosure forms an exterior surface of the electronic device behind the display; and
a third lead embedded with the display, wherein the third lead is configured to detect a third electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the third lead and the display.

40. (New) An electronic device for detecting a user's cardiac signal, comprising:
a heart sensor configured to detect the user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising:
a first lead embedded in a first portion of the electronic device, wherein the first lead is configured to detect a first electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the first lead and the first portion of the electronic device; and
a second lead embedded in a second portion of the electronic device, wherein the second lead is configured to detect a second electrical signal of the user's cardiac signal via the user's contact with at least one of the second lead and the second portion

of the electronic device; and

a processor coupled to the heart sensor and configured to process the first and second electrical signals of the user's cardiac signal.

41. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a display screen exposed to the user through an opening in the enclosure of the electronic device.

42. (New) The electronic device of claim 41, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a bezel of the enclosure;

the electronic device further comprises a non-conductive component positioned between the bezel and the display screen for electrically isolating the first portion of the electronic device from the second portion of the electronic device.

43. (New) The electronic device of claim 40, wherein:

the first portion of the electronic device comprises a first portion of an enclosure of the electronic device; and

the second portion of the electronic device comprises a second portion of the enclosure of the electronic device.

Remarks

The specification has been amended to update information on related applications and to correct various minor typographical errors. A marked-up Substitute Specification and a clean copy of the Substitute Specification are submitted herewith. These documents include all of the desired changes made in this Preliminary Amendment.

Claims 1-23 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of one or more of the cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications. New claims 24-43 have been added.

No new subject matter has been introduced and all amendments are fully supported by the parent application as originally filed.

Consideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR

Cross-Reference to Related Application

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 12/358,905, filed January 23,
5 2009 (now U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290), which claims
priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/111,498, filed November 5, 2008., ~~which~~ Each of
these earlier applications is incorporated by reference
herein in its entirety.

10 Background of the Invention

[0001] This is directed to providing a seamless
heart-rate monitor in an electronic device.

[0002] Many electronic devices are used to store
personal or confidential information. In particular,
15 portable electronic devices such as cellular
telephones, personal assistants, and music players are
often used to store or access e-mail, contact lists,
communications history, remotely accessed accounts
(e.g., telephone, banking or credit card accounts), or
20 other information that a user may regard as personal or
private. In addition, several users may use the same
electronic device. For example, several users in a

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household may use the same computer or portable music player. As another example, a user may lend an electronic device to a friend (e.g., lend an iPod, available from Apple Inc. to a friend for a workout or a trip). To enhance each user's experience with the electronic device, the electronic device can include several profiles that can be loaded and provided to the users of the device. Each profile can be associated with a particular user, and include several settings that allow the electronic device interface user interaction components, and available data or applications to be personalized for the user.

[0003] The electronic device can use several approaches to identify the user of the electronic device and provide access to the user's private and personal information, or to load the user's personal profile. In some embodiments, the electronic device can identify or authenticate a user based on an input provided by the user, such as a password or key provided using an input mechanism. In some embodiments, the electronic device can include one or more sensors operative to detect a fingerprint, voice print, facial features, or other biometric characteristics of a user.

[0004] Other biometric-based approaches can be used to authenticate a user. In some embodiments, an electronic device can authenticate a user based on the attributes of the user's heartbeat. For example, the durations of particular portions of a user's heart rhythm, or the relative size of peaks of a user's electrocardiogram (EKG) can be processed and compared to a stored profile to authenticate a user of the device. To detect a user's heartbeat or heart rhythm,

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however, the electronic device must provide at least two leads that the user contacts to detect the user's cardiac signals. Although the leads can simply be placed on the exterior surface of the device housing, for example in a defined location where the user may place a finger, this approach is not aesthetically pleasing, and may cause some prospective buyers to consider other devices. In addition, such an approach may require the user to perform a specific authentication action - viz., placing a finger on the one or more leads, then unlocking or accessing the electronic device features (e.g., by moving a slider across the screen). This additional step may in fact be so encumbering that users disable the authentication feature and instead use an unsecured electronic device.

Summary of the Invention

[0005] This is directed to an electronic device having a seamlessly integrated cardiac sensor. The cardiac sensor can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device, including for example a portion with which the user is typically in contact (e.g., an input mechanism or a housing held by the user), or metallic or conductive portions of the device.

[0006] The electronic device can include any suitable type of electronic device, including for example a portable electronic device that the user may hold in hand (e.g., a portable media player or a cellular telephone), a larger portable electronic device (e.g., a laptop computer), or a substantially fixed electronic device. The electronic device may include software or hardware operative to process the

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output of a cardiac sensor to extract, from the received output, characteristics of the user's heartbeat, heart rate, or other cardiac signals. For example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic durations associated with the user's heart rate. As another example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic amplitudes or amplitude ratios associated with the user's heart rate.

5 [0007] Once the electronic device has identified one or more characteristics of the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic device can compare the one or more identified characteristics with cardiac signal characteristics of authorized users that have been stored in memory. In response to determining that the identified characteristics correspond to those of an authorized user (e.g., match those stored in memory), the electronic device can provide the user with access to the electronic device and load the identified user's personal settings and data.

10 [0008] To determine the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic device can include one or more sensors embedded in the device. The one or more sensors can include leads for receiving electrical signals from the user's heart. For example, the one or more sensors can include leads associated with the user's left and right sides, and lead associated with the ground. To provide an electrical signal from the user to the processing circuitry, the leads can be exposed such that the user may directly contact the leads, or may instead or in addition be coupled to an electrically conductive

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portion of the device enclosure (e.g., a metallic bezel or housing forming the exterior of the device).

[0009] Because each electronic device can include several leads, the leads may be electrically isolated to avoid shorting or interference among leads. In some embodiments, an electrically isolating component can be inserted between adjacent leads. Alternatively, if the electronic device enclosure is constructed from a material having insufficient conductivity for transmitting detected cardiac electrical signals, the distance along the enclosure between adjacent leads can be sufficient to isolate the leads. In addition, to ensure that the aesthetic appeal and appearance of the electronic device is retained, one or more of the isolating components, the leads themselves, and the device enclosure can be finished using a suitable process to disguise the leads.

[0010] In some embodiments, if the electrical conductivity of portions of the electronic device enclosure and the leads are suitably selected and designed, the leads can be positioned underneath the exterior surface of the enclosure while providing sufficient conductivity for detecting cardiac electrical signals and avoiding shorting or interference between adjacent leads. For example, the sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based compound having high electrical conductivity, while the electronic device enclosure can be constructed from steel and aluminum, both having lower electrical conductivity. By placing several leads at substantially larger distances apart along the electronic device enclosure than the thickness of the enclosure, electronic signals can be transmitted

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through the steel or aluminum enclosure to a silver based lead underneath the enclosure, but not along the surface of the enclosure to cause adjacent leads to short.

5 Brief Description of the Drawings

 [0011] The above and other features of the present invention, its nature and various advantages will be more apparent upon consideration of the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the
10 accompanying drawings in which:

 [0012] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

15 [0013] FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat;

 [0014] FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in
20 accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

 [0015] FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

25 [0016] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

30 [0017] FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention; and

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[0018] FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

5 Detailed Description

[0019] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 100 can include control
10 circuitry 102, storage 104, memory 106, input/output circuitry 108, communications circuitry 110, and heart sensor 112. In some embodiments, one or more of electronic device components 100 can be combined or omitted (e.g., combine storage 104 and memory 106). In
15 some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include other components not combined or included in those shown in FIG. 1 (e.g., motion detection components, a power supply such as a battery or kinetics, a display, bus, or input mechanism), or several instances of the
20 components shown in FIG. 1. For the sake of simplicity, only one of each of the components is shown in FIG. 1.

[0020] Control circuitry 102 can include any processing circuitry or processor operative to control
25 the operations and performance of electronic device 100. For example, control circuitry 100 can be used to run operating system applications, firmware applications, media playback applications, media editing applications, or any other application. In
30 some embodiments, the control circuitry can drive a display and process inputs received from a user interface.

[0021] Storage 104 can include, for example, one or more storage mediums including a hard-drive, solid state drive, flash memory, permanent memory such as ROM, any other suitable type of storage component, or
5 any combination thereof. Storage 104 can store, for example, media data (e.g., music and video files), application data (e.g., for implementing functions on device 100), firmware, user preference information data (e.g., media playback preferences), authentication
10 information (e.g. libraries of data associated with authorized users), lifestyle information data (e.g., food preferences), exercise information data (e.g., information obtained by exercise monitoring equipment), transaction information data (e.g., information such as
15 credit card information), wireless connection information data (e.g., information that can enable electronic device 100 to establish a wireless connection), subscription information data (e.g., information that keeps track of podcasts or television
20 shows or other media a user subscribes to), contact information data (e.g., telephone numbers and email addresses), calendar information data, and any other suitable data or any combination thereof.

[0022] Memory 106 can include cache memory, semi-
25 permanent memory such as RAM, and/or one or more different types of memory used for temporarily storing data. In some embodiments, memory 106 can also be used for storing data used to operate electronic device applications, or any other type of data that can be
30 stored in storage 104. In some embodiments, memory 106 and storage 104 can be combined as a single storage medium.

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[0023] Input/output circuitry 108 can be operative to convert (and encode/decode, if necessary) analog signals and other signals into digital data. In some embodiments, input/output circuitry 108 can also
5 convert digital data into any other type of signal, and vice-versa. For example, input/output circuitry 108 can receive and convert physical contact inputs (e.g., from a multi-touch screen), physical movements (e.g., from a mouse or sensor), analog audio signals (e.g.,
10 from a microphone), or any other input. The digital data can be provided to and received from processor 102, storage 104, memory 106, heart sensor 112, or any other component of electronic device 100. Although input/output circuitry 108 is
15 illustrated in FIG. 1 as a single component of electronic device 100, several instances of input/output circuitry can be included in electronic device 100.

[0024] Electronic device 100 can include any
20 suitable mechanism or component for allowing a user to provide inputs to input/output circuitry 108. For example, electronic device 100 can include any suitable input mechanism, such as for example, a button, keypad, dial, a click wheel, or a touch screen. In some
25 embodiments, electronic device 100 can include a capacitive sensing mechanism, or a multi-touch capacitive sensing mechanism. Some sensing mechanisms are described in commonly owned ~~Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026521, filed~~
30 ~~July 30, 2004, entitled "Gestures for Touch Sensitive Input Device,"~~ U.S. Patent Nos. 8,479,122 and 8,239,784, and ~~Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026535, filed January 18, 2005,~~

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~~entitled "Mode-Based Graphical User Interfaces for Touch Sensitive Input Device,"~~ both of which are incorporated herein in their entirety.

[0025] In some embodiments, electronic device 100
5 can include specialized output circuitry associated with output devices such as, for example, one or more audio outputs. The audio output can include one or more speakers (e.g., mono or stereo speakers) built into electronic device 100, or an audio component that
10 is remotely coupled to electronic device 100 (e.g., a headset, headphones or earbuds that can be coupled to communications device with a wire or wirelessly).

[0026] In some embodiments, I/O circuitry 108 can include display circuitry (e.g., a screen or projection
15 system) for providing a display visible to the user. For example, the display circuitry can include a screen (e.g., an LCD screen) that is incorporated in electronics device 100. As another example, the display circuitry can include a movable display or a
20 projecting system for providing a display of content on a surface remote from electronic device 100 (e.g., a video projector). In some embodiments, the display circuitry can include a coder/decoder (Codec) to convert digital media data into analog signals. For
25 example, the display circuitry (or other appropriate circuitry within electronic device 100) can include video Codecs, audio Codecs, or any other suitable type of Codec.

[0027] The display circuitry also can include
30 display driver circuitry, circuitry for driving display drivers, or both. The display circuitry can be operative to display content (e.g., media playback information, application screens for applications

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implemented on the electronic device, information regarding ongoing communications operations, information regarding incoming communications requests, or device operation screens) under the direction of control circuitry 102. Alternatively, the display circuitry can be operative to provide instructions to a remote display (e.g., display 130, FIG. 1).

5 [0028] Communications circuitry 110 can include any suitable communications circuitry operative to connect to a communications network and to transmit communications (e.g., voice or data) from communications device 100 to other devices within the communications network. Communications circuitry 110 can be operative to interface with the communications network using any suitable communications protocol such as, for example, Wi-Fi (e.g., a 802.11 protocol), Bluetooth®, radio frequency systems (e.g., 900 MHz, 1.4 GHz, and 5.6 GHz communication systems), infrared, GSM, GSM plus EDGE, CDMA, quadband, and other cellular protocols, VOIP, or any other suitable protocol.

20 [0029] In some embodiments, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a communications network using any suitable communications protocol. For example, communications circuitry 110 can create a short-range communications network using a short-range communications protocol to connect to other devices. For example, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a local communications network using the Bluetooth® protocol to couple electronic device 100 with a Bluetooth® headset.

30 [0030] Electronic device 100 can include one more instances of communications circuitry 110 for simultaneously performing several communications

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operations using different communications networks, although only one is shown in FIG. 1 to avoid overcomplicating the drawing. For example, electronic device 100 can include a first instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over a cellular network, and a second instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over Wi-Fi or using Bluetooth®. In some embodiments, the same instance of communications circuitry 110 can be operative to provide for communications over several communications networks.

[0031] In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can be coupled a host device for data transfers, synching the communications device, software or firmware updates, providing performance information to a remote source (e.g., providing riding characteristics to a remote server) or performing any other suitable operation that can require electronic device 100 to be coupled to a host device. Several electronic devices 100 can be coupled to a single host device using the host device as a server, and instead or in addition electronic device 100 can be coupled to several host devices (e.g., for each of the plurality of the host devices to serve as a backup for data stored in electronic device 100).

[0032] Heart sensor 112 can include any suitable sensor operative to detect a user's heartbeat, heart rate, or any other signal generated by the user's heart. In some embodiments, heart sensor 112 can serve as an EKG monitor. Heart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated

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with the user's heart to heart sensor 112. The cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102. The processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication.

[0033] The heart sensor leads can be constructed from any suitable material. In some embodiments, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a specific material selected for particular conductive properties that permit a more effective transmission of the electrical signals reflecting the user's cardiac activity. For example, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based compound, which can provide superior conductivity relative to other metallic compounds (e.g., steel or aluminum). In addition, the size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected. For example, each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing. The pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing. As another example, an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor. In such embodiments, the portion of the enclosure can be sufficiently electrically isolated from other conductive portions of the electronic device

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housing to ensure that lead portions of the device do not short. In some embodiments, an accessory coupled to the electronic device can be used to detect a user's heart rate. For example, the leads can be located in one or more earbuds or in a headset, for example as is described in commonly assigned U.S. ~~Patent Application~~ No. ~~11/729,075, filed March 3, 2007, entitled~~ "Integrated Sensors For Tracking Performance Metrics," Publication No. 2008/0076972, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0034] Using a heart sensor, the electronic device can detect and analyze the electrical activity of the heart over time. FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat. Representation 200 may include a plot of the variation of the heart's electrical potential over time. A typical heartbeat may include several variations of electrical potential, which may be classified into waves and a complex. For example, representation 200 can include P wave 202, QRS complex 210, and T wave 220. Some representations can in addition include a U wave (not shown). The P wave can represent normal atrial depolarization, when the main electrical vector spreads from the right atrium to the left atrium. The shape and duration of the P wave can be related to the size of the user's atrium (e.g., indicating atrial enlargement), and can be a first source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

[0035] The QRS complex can correspond to the depolarization of the heart ventricles, and can be separated into three distinct waves - a Q wave, a R wave and a S wave. Because the ventricles contain more muscle mass than the atria, the QRS complex is larger

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than the P wave. In addition, the His/Purkinje system of the heart, which can increase the conduction velocity to coordinate the depolarization of the ventricles, can cause the QRS complex to look "spiked" rather than rounded. The duration of the QRS complex of a healthy heart can be in the range of 60 to 100ms, but can vary due to abnormalities of conduction. The duration of the QRS complex can therefore serve as a second source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

[0036] The duration, amplitude, and morphology of each of the Q, R and S waves can vary in different individuals, and in particular can vary significantly for users having cardiac diseases or cardiac irregularities. For example, a Q wave that is greater than 1/3 of the height of the R wave, or greater than 40ms in duration can be indicative of a myocardial infarction and provide a unique characteristic of the user's heart. Similarly, other healthy ratios of Q and R waves can be used to distinguish different users' heartbeats.

[0037] Representation 200 may include one or more characteristic durations or intervals that can be used to distinguish different users. For example, representation 200 can include PR interval 204 and ST segment 212. PR interval 204 can be measured from the beginning of P wave 202 to the beginning of QRS complex 210. PR interval 204 can typically last 120 to 200ms. A PR interval 204 having a different duration can indicate one or more defects in the heart, such as a first degree heart block (e.g., PR interval 204 lasting more than 200ms), a pre-excitation syndrome via an accessory pathway that leads to early activation of

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the ventricles (e.g., PR interval 204 lasts less than 120ms), or another type of heart block (e.g., PR interval 204 is variable). ST segment 212 can be measured from QRS complex 210 to T wave 220, for example starting at the junction between QRS complex 210 and ST segment 212 and ending at the beginning of T wave 220. ST segment 212 can typically last from 80 to 120ms, and normally has a slight upward concavity. The combination of the length of ST segment 212, and the concavity or elevation of ST segment 212 can also be used to generate characteristic information unique to each user's heartbeat.

[0038] T wave 220 can represent the repolarization or recovery of the ventricles. The interval from the beginning of the QRS complex to the apex of the T wave can be referred to as the absolute refractory period. The last half of the T wave can be referred to as the relative refractory period or vulnerable period. The amplitude of T wave 220, the duration of the absolute refractory period, and the relative refractory period can also be used to define a characteristic of the user's heart rate.

[0039] QT interval 222, which can represent the total time needed for the ventricles to depolarize and repolarize, can be measured from the beginning of QRS complex 210 to the end of T wave 220. QT interval 222 can typically last between 300 and 450ms, and can vary based on the condition of the user's heart rate. Several correction factors have been developed to correct QT interval 222 for the heart rate. Both the measured and corrected QT interval 222 values can be used to define a unique characteristic of a user's heartbeat.

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[0040] Because a user's heartbeat or heart rate can vary slightly based on the user's activity or mood, each authorized user can initially provide a base or standard heart rate, heartbeat, or electrical activity to the device prior to first use. For example, the electronic device can sample several heartbeats or electrical activity at several different times to detect variations in the user's cardiac electrical activity. The electronic device can process detected signals to determine several unique characteristics of the user's heart activity, and identify a range of suitable characteristic values for each of the processed characteristics. Based on the characteristic values and associated ranges, the electronic device can select one, all or a subset of the characteristics to define a unique heart activity profile for the authorized user. The particular combination of characteristics and associated ranges can be selected to minimize overlap with other authorized users, or based on characteristic values and ranges that do not fall within a range of average values and ranges (e.g., do not use characteristic values and ranges that an average user of the device would have).

[0041] The heart sensor of the electronic device can include several leads for detecting the user's heart activity. The leads can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device. FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 300 can include display 302 and bezel 310, and be portable such that a user can hold electronic device with fingers extending against one of sides 312 and 314 of

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bezel 310, and the user's thumb extending against the other of sides 312 and 314. Leads 322 and 324, which can include conductive pads, can be coupled to sides 312 and ~~324~~ 314 of bezel 310, respectively, such that when the user holds the device, the user's thumb and fingers are placed in contact with leads 322 and 324. Alternatively, bezel 310 can include any other suitable number of leads, or any other suitable distribution of leads along bezel 310 and in other portions of electronic device 300. The leads can detect the user's cardiac activity through the contact with the user's thumb and fingers, and provide the detected activity to the electronic device processor for processing. The size of leads 322 and 324 can be selected based on any suitable consideration, including for example the different possible positions of a user's hands on the device, the amount of contact necessary to detect the user's cardiac activity, preventing or reducing short circuits and other cardiac signal detection errors, manufacturing considerations (e.g., the minimum or maximum size leads that can be integrated in the bezel), aesthetic considerations (e.g., sizing leads 322 and 324 to reduce the visibility of leads 322 and 324), or any other suitable consideration.

[0042] In some embodiments, electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302. Lead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302, for example in the vicinity of or directly over lead 326 (e.g., as the user drags a finger over lead 326 to move a slider when unlocking the electronic device). Using lead 326, the electronic device can

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detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity.

[0043] Any suitable approach can be used to prevent leads 322, 324 and 326 from shorting. In particular, electronic device 300 can include at least one non-conductive component positioned between each of leads 322, 324 and 326. For example, a rubber gasket can be positioned between leads 322 and 324 (in bezel 310) and lead 326 (in display 302). In some embodiments, the cardiac electrical signals detected by leads 322, 324 and 326 can be faint or have particular characteristics that require materials having particular properties (e.g., silver-based compounds) to detect and transmit. In such cases, although the material used for bezel 310 or other electronic device components can be conductive, its conductivity can be insufficient to transmit signals detected by lead 322 directly to lead 324 (e.g., shorting leads 322 and 324). This may allow leads 322 and 324 to be embedded directly in bezel 310 without the need for additional isolating material, which can add cost and complexity to the manufacturing process.

[0044] To ensure that electronic device 300, and in particular bezel 310 remains aesthetically pleasing, leads 322 and 324 can be finished to resemble bezel 310. For example, leads 322 and 324 can be polished or roughened to match the finish of bezel 310. As another example, a conductive coating can be applied to leads 322 and 324 to match the color, tone and

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reflectivity of bezel 310. In some embodiments, the texture or feel of leads 322 and 324 can also be selected to render leads 322 and 324 visibly and haptically indistinguishable or nearly

5 indistinguishable from bezel 310.

[0045] Leads 322 and 324 can be integrated in bezel 310 using any suitable approach. In some embodiments, leads 322 and 324 can be positioned on the exterior surface of bezel 310 and include an

10 electrically conductive path to the electronic device processor. FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 400 can

15 include display 402 and bezel 410. Lead 422 can be embedded along the outer surface of bezel 410 such that lead 422 is exposed to the user during use. Connector 424 can be coupled to the inner surface of lead 422 and extend into electronic device 400 to be

20 coupled with a processor. In some embodiments, electronic device 400 can in addition include an isolating layer positioned between lead 422 and bezel 410 (not shown). The isolating layer can be constructed from any suitable material having non-

25 conductive properties, including for example a ceramic material, plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Alternatively, if the material of bezel 410 is not conductive, or insufficiently conductive to cause several distinct leads 422 positioned on

30 bezel 410 from shorting, no isolating layer may be necessary.

[0046] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an

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embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 450 can include display 452 and bezel 460. If the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460. Alternatively, lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel. The short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474. In addition, if several leads are placed along different portions of bezel 460, the distance between adjacent leads can be sufficiently large (e.g., substantially larger than the thickness of bezel 460) that different leads of bezel 460 cannot detect the same electrical signal.

[0047] In some embodiments, entire portions of the bezel can be used as leads for the heart sensor. FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Similar to electronic device 300 (FIG. 3), electronic device 500 can include display 502 and bezel 510. Bezel 510 can be separated into several electrically isolated segments, for example segments 522 and 524. The segments can be electrically isolated using

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isolating portions 530 and 532, which can be constructed from any suitable non-conductive material, such as for example a composite material, a plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Although
5 FIG. 5 shows bezel 510 broken into two segments having similar sizes, it will be understood that bezel 510 can be separated into any suitable number of electrically isolated segments, and each segment can have any suitable size. In particular, the sizes and
10 distribution of each segment can be selected based on physiological considerations (e.g., where a user's hand will be positioned on the device, or aligning the segments to contact particular portions of the user's body).

15 **[0048]** To ensure that electronic device 500 remains aesthetically pleasing, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be finished to resemble bezel 510. For example, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be polished or machined to create a reflective surface matching the
20 reflection of bezel 510. As another example, a reflective or finishing coating can be applied to the surfaces of isolating portions 530 and 532 to match the finish of bezel 510. In some embodiments, the texture of isolating portions 530 and 532 can also be selected
25 to render segments 522 and 524 visually and haptically indistinguishable or nearly indistinguishable from isolating portions 530 and 532.

[0049] Other heart sensor leads can be placed at any other suitable position on the electronic device
30 enclosure. For example, if the enclosure is constructed from a bezel supporting a display and a housing forming the exterior surface of the device behind the display, one or more leads can be embedded

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in or adjacent to the housing. For example, if the housing includes a conductive section (e.g., a plastic housing with a metallic logo in the center of the housing), the lead can be coupled to or integrated in the conductive section.

5 **[0050]** The heart sensor and processor can detect and process the user's cardiac activity at any suitable time. For example, the processor can receive and process heart activity when the device is locked and held while in its locked state. As another example, the processor can receive and process heart activity as the user places a finger over lead 326 (e.g., when the user slides a finger across the display to unlock the device) or when an input mechanism detects a particular input. As still another example, the electronic device can receive and process heart activity data in response to a user instruction or request to access a particular application or data that for which access is restricted. Upon receiving the cardiac activity, the electronic device can extract one or more characteristics of the received activity and compare the extracted characteristics with the characteristics previously stored in memory that were associated with authorized users. If the extracted characteristics match those of an authorized user, the electronic device can authenticate the identified user.

20 **[0051]** The electronic device can perform any suitable operation in response to identifying and authenticating a user based on detected cardiac signals. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to restricted applications, for example applications for which only particular users have licenses or that only particular users have

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purchased. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to particular data or application settings associated with an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can provide access to
5 the identified user's contact list, or to the identified user's e-mail account or telephone history. As another example, the electronic device can allow the user to access private banking applications, or conduct financial transactions (e.g., transferring funds to
10 different accounts, or purchasing merchandise) using the electronic device. In some embodiments, the electronic device can load user settings and profiles for providing a customized display to the user. For example, the electronic device can display icons or
15 options in the manner set by the user, or provide displays using a color scheme, fonts, or other customizable display attribute that are associated with the identified user.

[0052] In some embodiments, the electronic device
20 can use the detected heart rate or heartbeat characteristics to determine the user's mood. In particular, because the allowable determined characteristics associated with each user can include a range of values, the electronic device can determine
25 the distribution of the detected characteristics in the allowable characteristic ranges. Using the determined distribution, the electronic device can establish a user's mood and provide electronic device operations or data (e.g., media) associated with the extrapolated
30 mood. Systems and methods for providing mood-based electronic device operations are discussed in more detail in commonly assigned U.S. ~~Patent Application No. 12/218,203, filed July 10, 2008 and entitled~~

~~"System and Method for Creating a Playlist Based on Mood,"~~ Publication No. 2010/0011388, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0053] In some embodiments, the electronic device
5 can provide media playback based on the user's detected cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can identify media having beats per minute or other characteristics that are associated with or related to the user's cardiac signal or heart rate, and play back
10 the identified media. As another example, the media provided can have beats per minute faster or slower than the user's current heart rate to direct the user to work harder (e.g., during a workout) or to cool or calm the user down (e.g., at the end of a workout).

15 [0054] FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Process 600 can begin at step 602. At step 604, the electronic device can
20 detect a user's cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can detect a user's heart rate or heart beat using one or more leads connected to or placed on a housing, bezel, or other exterior surface of the electronic device. The electronic device can
25 process the received signal using any suitable approach, including for example to determine unique characteristics of the signal. Such characteristics can include, for example, durations between peaks in an EKG signal, peak values or ratios between peaks in the
30 EKG signal, or any other suitable characteristic. At step 606, the electronic device can determine whether the user detected at step 604 is an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can compare the

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determined characteristics of the detected cardiac signals with a library of signals associate with known authorized users. If the electronic device determines that the user is not authorized (e.g., the characteristics of the detected cardiac signal do not match characteristics of a cardiac signal stored in memory), process 600 can move to step 608.

[0055] At step 608, the electronic device can prevent access to restricted electronic device operations. For example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing personal or private information associated with other users. As another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing applications or operations associated with particular users (e.g., applications purchased by particular users). As still another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing any electronic device operation (e.g., no operation except for emergency calls). Process 600 can then end at step 610.

[0056] If, at step 606, the electronic device instead determines that the user is authorized, process 600 can move to step 612. At step 612, the electronic device can determine the restricted operations that are associated with the user. For example, the electronic device can determine the particular private data associated with the authorized user (e.g., e-mail accounts, contact lists and banking information). As another example, the electronic device can determine the particular operations or applications associated with the authorized user (e.g., applications purchased by the user using an applications store, or system controlling operations

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associated with an administrative account). At
step 614, the electronic device can provide access to
the user's determined restricted operations. For
example, the electronic device can load determined
5 data. As another example, the electronic device can
provide links for launching determined personal or
private applications. Process 600 can then end at
step 610.

[0057] The above-described embodiments of the
10 present invention are presented for purposes of
illustration and not of limitation, and the present
invention is limited only by the claims which follow.

SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR

Cross-Reference to Related Application

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 12/358,905, filed January 23, 2009 (now U.S. Patent No. 8,615,290), which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/111,498, filed November 5, 2008. Each of these earlier applications is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

10 Background of the Invention

[0001] This is directed to providing a seamless heart-rate monitor in an electronic device.

[0002] Many electronic devices are used to store personal or confidential information. In particular, 15 portable electronic devices such as cellular telephones, personal assistants, and music players are often used to store or access e-mail, contact lists, communications history, remotely accessed accounts (e.g., telephone, banking or credit card accounts), or 20 other information that a user may regard as personal or private. In addition, several users may use the same electronic device. For example, several users in a

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household may use the same computer or portable music player. As another example, a user may lend an electronic device to a friend (e.g., lend an iPod, available from Apple Inc. to a friend for a workout or a trip). To enhance each user's experience with the electronic device, the electronic device can include several profiles that can be loaded and provided to the users of the device. Each profile can be associated with a particular user, and include several settings that allow the electronic device interface user interaction components, and available data or applications to be personalized for the user.

[0003] The electronic device can use several approaches to identify the user of the electronic device and provide access to the user's private and personal information, or to load the user's personal profile. In some embodiments, the electronic device can identify or authenticate a user based on an input provided by the user, such as a password or key provided using an input mechanism. In some embodiments, the electronic device can include one or more sensors operative to detect a fingerprint, voice print, facial features, or other biometric characteristics of a user.

[0004] Other biometric-based approaches can be used to authenticate a user. In some embodiments, an electronic device can authenticate a user based on the attributes of the user's heartbeat. For example, the durations of particular portions of a user's heart rhythm, or the relative size of peaks of a user's electrocardiogram (EKG) can be processed and compared to a stored profile to authenticate a user of the device. To detect a user's heartbeat or heart rhythm,

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however, the electronic device must provide at least two leads that the user contacts to detect the user's cardiac signals. Although the leads can simply be placed on the exterior surface of the device housing, for example in a defined location where the user may place a finger, this approach is not aesthetically pleasing, and may cause some prospective buyers to consider other devices. In addition, such an approach may require the user to perform a specific authentication action - viz., placing a finger on the one or more leads, then unlocking or accessing the electronic device features (e.g., by moving a slider across the screen). This additional step may in fact be so encumbering that users disable the authentication feature and instead use an unsecured electronic device.

Summary of the Invention

[0005] This is directed to an electronic device having a seamlessly integrated cardiac sensor. The cardiac sensor can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device, including for example a portion with which the user is typically in contact (e.g., an input mechanism or a housing held by the user), or metallic or conductive portions of the device.

[0006] The electronic device can include any suitable type of electronic device, including for example a portable electronic device that the user may hold in hand (e.g., a portable media player or a cellular telephone), a larger portable electronic device (e.g., a laptop computer), or a substantially fixed electronic device. The electronic device may include software or hardware operative to process the

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output of a cardiac sensor to extract, from the received output, characteristics of the user's heartbeat, heart rate, or other cardiac signals. For example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic durations associated with the user's heart rate. As another example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic amplitudes or amplitude ratios associated with the user's heart rate.

5 [0007] Once the electronic device has identified one or more characteristics of the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic device can compare the one or more identified characteristics with cardiac signal characteristics of authorized users that have been stored in memory. In response to determining that the identified characteristics correspond to those of an authorized user (e.g., match those stored in memory), the electronic device can provide the user with access to the electronic device and load the identified user's personal settings and data.

10 [0008] To determine the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic device can include one or more sensors embedded in the device. The one or more sensors can include leads for receiving electrical signals from the user's heart. For example, the one or more sensors can include leads associated with the user's left and right sides, and lead associated with the ground. To provide an electrical signal from the user to the processing circuitry, the leads can be exposed such that the user may directly contact the leads, or may instead or in addition be coupled to an electrically conductive

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portion of the device enclosure (e.g., a metallic bezel or housing forming the exterior of the device).

[0009] Because each electronic device can include several leads, the leads may be electrically isolated to avoid shorting or interference among leads. In some embodiments, an electrically isolating component can be inserted between adjacent leads. Alternatively, if the electronic device enclosure is constructed from a material having insufficient conductivity for transmitting detected cardiac electrical signals, the distance along the enclosure between adjacent leads can be sufficient to isolate the leads. In addition, to ensure that the aesthetic appeal and appearance of the electronic device is retained, one or more of the isolating components, the leads themselves, and the device enclosure can be finished using a suitable process to disguise the leads.

[0010] In some embodiments, if the electrical conductivity of portions of the electronic device enclosure and the leads are suitably selected and designed, the leads can be positioned underneath the exterior surface of the enclosure while providing sufficient conductivity for detecting cardiac electrical signals and avoiding shorting or interference between adjacent leads. For example, the sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based compound having high electrical conductivity, while the electronic device enclosure can be constructed from steel and aluminum, both having lower electrical conductivity. By placing several leads at substantially larger distances apart along the electronic device enclosure than the thickness of the enclosure, electronic signals can be transmitted

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through the steel or aluminum enclosure to a silver based lead underneath the enclosure, but not along the surface of the enclosure to cause adjacent leads to short.

5 Brief Description of the Drawings

 [0011] The above and other features of the present invention, its nature and various advantages will be more apparent upon consideration of the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the
10 accompanying drawings in which:

 [0012] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

15 [0013] FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat;

 [0014] FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in
20 accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

 [0015] FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

25 [0016] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

30 [0017] FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention; and

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[0018] FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

5 Detailed Description

[0019] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 100 can include control
10 circuitry 102, storage 104, memory 106, input/output circuitry 108, communications circuitry 110, and heart sensor 112. In some embodiments, one or more of electronic device components 100 can be combined or omitted (e.g., combine storage 104 and memory 106). In
15 some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include other components not combined or included in those shown in FIG. 1 (e.g., motion detection components, a power supply such as a battery or kinetics, a display, bus, or input mechanism), or several instances of the
20 components shown in FIG. 1. For the sake of simplicity, only one of each of the components is shown in FIG. 1.

[0020] Control circuitry 102 can include any processing circuitry or processor operative to control
25 the operations and performance of electronic device 100. For example, control circuitry 100 can be used to run operating system applications, firmware applications, media playback applications, media editing applications, or any other application. In
30 some embodiments, the control circuitry can drive a display and process inputs received from a user interface.

[0021] Storage 104 can include, for example, one or more storage mediums including a hard-drive, solid state drive, flash memory, permanent memory such as ROM, any other suitable type of storage component, or
5 any combination thereof. Storage 104 can store, for example, media data (e.g., music and video files), application data (e.g., for implementing functions on device 100), firmware, user preference information data (e.g., media playback preferences), authentication
10 information (e.g. libraries of data associated with authorized users), lifestyle information data (e.g., food preferences), exercise information data (e.g., information obtained by exercise monitoring equipment), transaction information data (e.g., information such as
15 credit card information), wireless connection information data (e.g., information that can enable electronic device 100 to establish a wireless connection), subscription information data (e.g., information that keeps track of podcasts or television
20 shows or other media a user subscribes to), contact information data (e.g., telephone numbers and email addresses), calendar information data, and any other suitable data or any combination thereof.

[0022] Memory 106 can include cache memory, semi-
25 permanent memory such as RAM, and/or one or more different types of memory used for temporarily storing data. In some embodiments, memory 106 can also be used for storing data used to operate electronic device applications, or any other type of data that can be
30 stored in storage 104. In some embodiments, memory 106 and storage 104 can be combined as a single storage medium.

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[0023] Input/output circuitry 108 can be operative to convert (and encode/decode, if necessary) analog signals and other signals into digital data. In some embodiments, input/output circuitry 108 can also
5 convert digital data into any other type of signal, and vice-versa. For example, input/output circuitry 108 can receive and convert physical contact inputs (e.g., from a multi-touch screen), physical movements (e.g., from a mouse or sensor), analog audio signals (e.g.,
10 from a microphone), or any other input. The digital data can be provided to and received from processor 102, storage 104, memory 106, heart sensor 112, or any other component of electronic device 100. Although input/output circuitry 108 is
15 illustrated in FIG. 1 as a single component of electronic device 100, several instances of input/output circuitry can be included in electronic device 100.

[0024] Electronic device 100 can include any
20 suitable mechanism or component for allowing a user to provide inputs to input/output circuitry 108. For example, electronic device 100 can include any suitable input mechanism, such as for example, a button, keypad, dial, a click wheel, or a touch screen. In some
25 embodiments, electronic device 100 can include a capacitive sensing mechanism, or a multi-touch capacitive sensing mechanism. Some sensing mechanisms are described in commonly owned U.S. Patent Nos. 8,479,122 and 8,239,784, both of which are incorporated
30 herein in their entirety.

[0025] In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include specialized output circuitry associated with output devices such as, for example, one or more

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audio outputs. The audio output can include one or more speakers (e.g., mono or stereo speakers) built into electronic device 100, or an audio component that is remotely coupled to electronic device 100 (e.g., a headset, headphones or earbuds that can be coupled to communications device with a wire or wirelessly).

[0026] In some embodiments, I/O circuitry 108 can include display circuitry (e.g., a screen or projection system) for providing a display visible to the user. For example, the display circuitry can include a screen (e.g., an LCD screen) that is incorporated in electronics device 100. As another example, the display circuitry can include a movable display or a projecting system for providing a display of content on a surface remote from electronic device 100 (e.g., a video projector). In some embodiments, the display circuitry can include a coder/decoder (Codec) to convert digital media data into analog signals. For example, the display circuitry (or other appropriate circuitry within electronic device 100) can include video Codecs, audio Codecs, or any other suitable type of Codec.

[0027] The display circuitry also can include display driver circuitry, circuitry for driving display drivers, or both. The display circuitry can be operative to display content (e.g., media playback information, application screens for applications implemented on the electronic device, information regarding ongoing communications operations, information regarding incoming communications requests, or device operation screens) under the direction of control circuitry 102. Alternatively, the display

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circuitry can be operative to provide instructions to a remote display (e.g., display 130, FIG. 1).

[0028] Communications circuitry 110 can include any suitable communications circuitry operative to connect to a communications network and to transmit communications (e.g., voice or data) from communications device 100 to other devices within the communications network. Communications circuitry 110 can be operative to interface with the communications network using any suitable communications protocol such as, for example, Wi-Fi (e.g., a 802.11 protocol), Bluetooth®, radio frequency systems (e.g., 900 MHz, 1.4 GHz, and 5.6 GHz communication systems), infrared, GSM, GSM plus EDGE, CDMA, quadband, and other cellular protocols, VOIP, or any other suitable protocol.

[0029] In some embodiments, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a communications network using any suitable communications protocol. For example, communications circuitry 110 can create a short-range communications network using a short-range communications protocol to connect to other devices. For example, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a local communications network using the Bluetooth® protocol to couple electronic device 100 with a Bluetooth® headset.

[0030] Electronic device 100 can include one more instances of communications circuitry 110 for simultaneously performing several communications operations using different communications networks, although only one is shown in FIG. 1 to avoid overcomplicating the drawing. For example, electronic device 100 can include a first instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over a

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cellular network, and a second instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over Wi-Fi or using Bluetooth®. In some embodiments, the same instance of communications circuitry 110 can be operative to provide for communications over several communications networks.

5 [0031] In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can be coupled a host device for data transfers, synching the communications device, software or
10 firmware updates, providing performance information to a remote source (e.g., providing riding characteristics to a remote server) or performing any other suitable operation that can require electronic device 100 to be coupled to a host device. Several electronic
15 devices 100 can be coupled to a single host device using the host device as a server, and instead or in addition electronic device 100 can be coupled to several host devices (e.g., for each of the plurality of the host devices to serve as a backup for data
20 stored in electronic device 100).

 [0032] Heart sensor 112 can include any suitable sensor operative to detect a user's heartbeat, heart rate, or any other signal generated by the user's heart. In some embodiments, heart sensor 112 can serve
25 as an EKG monitor. Heart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112. The cardiac
30 signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102. The processor may then analyze the received signals and

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generate, from the received signals, one or more characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication.

[0033] The heart sensor leads can be constructed from any suitable material. In some embodiments, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a specific material selected for particular conductive properties that permit a more effective transmission of the electrical signals reflecting the user's cardiac activity. For example, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based compound, which can provide superior conductivity relative to other metallic compounds (e.g., steel or aluminum). In addition, the size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected. For example, each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing. The pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing. As another example, an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor. In such embodiments, the portion of the enclosure can be sufficiently electrically isolated from other conductive portions of the electronic device housing to ensure that lead portions of the device do not short. In some embodiments, an accessory coupled to the electronic device can be used to detect a user's heart rate. For example, the leads can be located in one or more earbuds or in a headset, for example as is

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described in commonly assigned U.S. Publication No. 2008/0076972, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0034] Using a heart sensor, the electronic device
5 can detect and analyze the electrical activity of the heart over time. FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat. Representation 200 may include a plot of the variation of the heart's electrical potential over
10 time. A typical heartbeat may include several variations of electrical potential, which may be classified into waves and a complex. For example, representation 200 can include P wave 202, QRS complex 210, and T wave 220. Some representations can
15 in addition include a U wave (not shown). The P wave can represent normal atrial depolarization, when the main electrical vector spreads from the right atrium to the left atrium. The shape and duration of the P wave can be related to the size of the user's atrium (e.g.,
20 indicating atrial enlargement), and can be a first source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

[0035] The QRS complex can correspond to the depolarization of the heart ventricles, and can be separated into three distinct waves - a Q wave, a R
25 wave and a S wave. Because the ventricles contain more muscle mass than the atria, the QRS complex is larger than the P wave. In addition, the His/Purkinje system of the heart, which can increase the conduction velocity to coordinate the depolarization of the
30 ventricles, can cause the QRS complex to look "spiked" rather than rounded. The duration of the QRS complex of a healthy heart can be in the range of 60 to 100ms, but can vary due to abnormalities of conduction. The

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duration of the QRS complex can therefore serve as a second source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

5 **[0036]** The duration, amplitude, and morphology of each of the Q, R and S waves can vary in different individuals, and in particular can vary significantly for users having cardiac diseases or cardiac irregularities. For example, a Q wave that is greater than 1/3 of the height of the R wave, or greater than
10 40ms in duration can be indicative of a myocardial infarction and provide a unique characteristic of the user's heart. Similarly, other healthy ratios of Q and R waves can be used to distinguish different users' heartbeats.

15 **[0037]** Representation 200 may include one or more characteristic durations or intervals that can be used to distinguish different users. For example, representation 200 can include PR interval 204 and ST segment 212. PR interval 204 can be measured from the
20 beginning of P wave 202 to the beginning of QRS complex 210. PR interval 204 can typically last 120 to 200ms. A PR interval 204 having a different duration can indicate one or more defects in the heart, such as a first degree heart block (e.g., PR interval 204
25 lasting more than 200ms), a pre-excitation syndrome via an accessory pathway that leads to early activation of the ventricles (e.g., PR interval 204 lasts less than 120ms), or another type of heart block (e.g., PR interval 204 is variable). ST segment 212 can be
30 measured from QRS complex 210 to T wave 220, for example starting at the junction between QRS complex 210 and ST segment 212 and ending at the beginning of T wave 220. ST segment 212 can typically

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last from 80 to 120ms, and normally has a slight upward concavity. The combination of the length of ST segment 212, and the concavity or elevation of ST segment 212 can also be used to generate characteristic information unique to each user's heartbeat.

[0038] T wave 220 can represent the repolarization or recovery of the ventricles. The interval from the beginning of the QRS complex to the apex of the T wave can be referred to as the absolute refractory period. The last half of the T wave can be referred to as the relative refractory period or vulnerable period. The amplitude of T wave 220, the duration of the absolute refractory period, and the relative refractory period can also be used to define a characteristic of the user's heart rate.

[0039] QT interval 222, which can represent the total time needed for the ventricles to depolarize and repolarize, can be measured from the beginning of QRS complex 210 to the end of T wave 220. QT interval 222 can typically last between 300 and 450ms, and can vary based on the condition of the user's heart rate. Several correction factors have been developed to correct QT interval 222 for the heart rate. Both the measured and corrected QT interval 222 values can be used to define a unique characteristic of a user's heartbeat.

[0040] Because a user's heartbeat or heart rate can vary slightly based on the user's activity or mood, each authorized user can initially provide a base or standard heart rate, heartbeat, or electrical activity to the device prior to first use. For example, the electronic device can sample several heartbeats or electrical activity at several different times to

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detect variations in the user's cardiac electrical activity. The electronic device can process detected signals to determine several unique characteristics of the user's heart activity, and identify a range of
5 suitable characteristic values for each of the processed characteristics. Based on the characteristic values and associated ranges, the electronic device can select one, all or a subset of the characteristics to define a unique heart activity profile for the
10 authorized user. The particular combination of characteristics and associated ranges can be selected to minimize overlap with other authorized users, or based on characteristic values and ranges that do not fall within a range of average values and ranges (e.g.,
15 do not use characteristic values and ranges that an average user of the device would have).

[0041] The heart sensor of the electronic device can include several leads for detecting the user's heart activity. The leads can be integrated in any suitable
20 portion of the electronic device. FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 300 can include display 302 and bezel 310, and be portable such
25 that a user can hold electronic device with fingers extending against one of sides 312 and 314 of bezel 310, and the user's thumb extending against the other of sides 312 and 314. Leads 322 and 324, which can include conductive pads, can be coupled to
30 sides 312 and 314 of bezel 310, respectively, such that when the user holds the device, the user's thumb and fingers are placed in contact with leads 322 and 324. Alternatively, bezel 310 can include any other suitable

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number of leads, or any other suitable distribution of leads along bezel 310 and in other portions of electronic device 300. The leads can detect the user's cardiac activity through the contact with the user's thumb and fingers, and provide the detected activity to the electronic device processor for processing. The size of leads 322 and 324 can be selected based on any suitable consideration, including for example the different possible positions of a user's hands on the device, the amount of contact necessary to detect the user's cardiac activity, preventing or reducing short circuits and other cardiac signal detection errors, manufacturing considerations (e.g., the minimum or maximum size leads that can be integrated in the bezel), aesthetic considerations (e.g., sizing leads 322 and 324 to reduce the visibility of leads 322 and 324), or any other suitable consideration.

[0042] In some embodiments, electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302. Lead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302, for example in the vicinity of or directly over lead 326 (e.g., as the user drags a finger over lead 326 to move a slider when unlocking the electronic device). Using lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity.

[0043] Any suitable approach can be used to prevent leads 322, 324 and 326 from shorting. In particular,

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electronic device 300 can include at least one non-conductive component positioned between each of leads 322, 324 and 326. For example, a rubber gasket can be positioned between leads 322 and 324 (in
5 bezel 310) and lead 326 (in display 302). In some embodiments, the cardiac electrical signals detected by leads 322, 324 and 326 can be faint or have particular characteristics that require materials having particular properties (e.g., silver-based compounds) to
10 detect and transmit. In such cases, although the material used for bezel 310 or other electronic device components can be conductive, its conductivity can be insufficient to transmit signals detected by lead 322 directly to lead 324 (e.g., shorting leads 322 and
15 324). This may allow leads 322 and 324 to be embedded directly in bezel 310 without the need for additional isolating material, which can add cost and complexity to the manufacturing process.

[0044] To ensure that electronic device 300, and in
20 particular bezel 310 remains aesthetically pleasing, leads 322 and 324 can be finished to resemble bezel 310. For example, leads 322 and 324 can be polished or roughened to match the finish of bezel 310. As another example, a conductive coating can be applied
25 to leads 322 and 324 to match the color, tone and reflectivity of bezel 310. In some embodiments, the texture or feel of leads 322 and 324 can also be selected to render leads 322 and 324 visibly and haptically indistinguishable or nearly
30 indistinguishable from bezel 310.

[0045] Leads 322 and 324 can be integrated in bezel 310 using any suitable approach. In some embodiments, leads 322 and 324 can be positioned on the

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exterior surface of bezel 310 and include an electrically conductive path to the electronic device processor. FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 400 can include display 402 and bezel 410. Lead 422 can be embedded along the outer surface of bezel 410 such that lead 422 is exposed to the user during use.

Connector 424 can be coupled to the inner surface of lead 422 and extend into electronic device 400 to be coupled with a processor. In some embodiments, electronic device 400 can in addition include an isolating layer positioned between lead 422 and bezel 410 (not shown). The isolating layer can be constructed from any suitable material having non-conductive properties, including for example a ceramic material, plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Alternatively, if the material of bezel 410 is not conductive, or insufficiently conductive to cause several distinct leads 422 positioned on bezel 410 from shorting, no isolating layer may be necessary.

[0046] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 450 can include display 452 and bezel 460. If the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor

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can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460. Alternatively, lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel. The short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474. In addition, if several leads are placed along different portions of bezel 460, the distance between adjacent leads can be sufficiently large (e.g., substantially larger than the thickness of bezel 460) that different leads of bezel 460 cannot detect the same electrical signal.

[0047] In some embodiments, entire portions of the bezel can be used as leads for the heart sensor. FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Similar to electronic device 300 (FIG. 3), electronic device 500 can include display 502 and bezel 510. Bezel 510 can be separated into several electrically isolated segments, for example segments 522 and 524. The segments can be electrically isolated using isolating portions 530 and 532, which can be constructed from any suitable non-conductive material, such as for example a composite material, a plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Although FIG. 5 shows bezel 510 broken into two segments having similar sizes, it will be understood that bezel 510 can be separated into any suitable number of electrically isolated segments, and each segment can have any

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suitable size. In particular, the sizes and distribution of each segment can be selected based on physiological considerations (e.g., where a user's hand will be positioned on the device, or aligning the segments to contact particular portions of the user's body).

[0048] To ensure that electronic device 500 remains aesthetically pleasing, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be finished to resemble bezel 510. For example, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be polished or machined to create a reflective surface matching the reflection of bezel 510. As another example, a reflective or finishing coating can be applied to the surfaces of isolating portions 530 and 532 to match the finish of bezel 510. In some embodiments, the texture of isolating portions 530 and 532 can also be selected to render segments 522 and 524 visually and haptically indistinguishable or nearly indistinguishable from isolating portions 530 and 532.

[0049] Other heart sensor leads can be placed at any other suitable position on the electronic device enclosure. For example, if the enclosure is constructed from a bezel supporting a display and a housing forming the exterior surface of the device behind the display, one or more leads can be embedded in or adjacent to the housing. For example, if the housing includes a conductive section (e.g., a plastic housing with a metallic logo in the center of the housing), the lead can be coupled to or integrated in the conductive section.

[0050] The heart sensor and processor can detect and process the user's cardiac activity at any suitable time. For example, the processor can receive and

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process heart activity when the device is locked and held while in its locked state. As another example, the processor can receive and process heart activity as the user places a finger over lead 326 (e.g., when the user slides a finger across the display to unlock the device) or when an input mechanism detects a particular input. As still another example, the electronic device can receive and process heart activity data in response to a user instruction or request to access a particular application or data that for which access is restricted. Upon receiving the cardiac activity, the electronic device can extract one or more characteristics of the received activity and compare the extracted characteristics with the characteristics previously stored in memory that were associated with authorized users. If the extracted characteristics match those of an authorized user, the electronic device can authenticate the identified user.

[0051] The electronic device can perform any suitable operation in response to identifying and authenticating a user based on detected cardiac signals. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to restricted applications, for example applications for which only particular users have licenses or that only particular users have purchased. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to particular data or application settings associated with an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can provide access to the identified user's contact list, or to the identified user's e-mail account or telephone history. As another example, the electronic device can allow the user to access private banking applications, or conduct

financial transactions (e.g., transferring funds to different accounts, or purchasing merchandise) using the electronic device. In some embodiments, the electronic device can load user settings and profiles
5 for providing a customized display to the user. For example, the electronic device can display icons or options in the manner set by the user, or provide displays using a color scheme, fonts, or other customizable display attribute that are associated with
10 the identified user.

[0052] In some embodiments, the electronic device can use the detected heart rate or heartbeat characteristics to determine the user's mood. In particular, because the allowable determined
15 characteristics associated with each user can include a range of values, the electronic device can determine the distribution of the detected characteristics in the allowable characteristic ranges. Using the determined distribution, the electronic device can establish a
20 user's mood and provide electronic device operations or data (e.g., media) associated with the extrapolated mood. Systems and methods for providing mood-based electronic device operations are discussed in more detail in commonly assigned U.S. Publication No.
25 2010/0011388, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0053] In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide media playback based on the user's detected cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can
30 identify media having beats per minute or other characteristics that are associated with or related to the user's cardiac signal or heart rate, and play back the identified media. As another example, the media

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provided can have beats per minute faster or slower than the user's current heart rate to direct the user to work harder (e.g., during a workout) or to cool or calm the user down (e.g., at the end of a workout).

5 **[0054]** FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Process 600 can begin at step 602. At step 604, the electronic device can
10 detect a user's cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can detect a user's heart rate or heart beat using one or more leads connected to or placed on a housing, bezel, or other exterior surface of the electronic device. The electronic device can
15 process the received signal using any suitable approach, including for example to determine unique characteristics of the signal. Such characteristics can include, for example, durations between peaks in an EKG signal, peak values or ratios between peaks in the
20 EKG signal, or any other suitable characteristic. At step 606, the electronic device can determine whether the user detected at step 604 is an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can compare the determined characteristics of the detected cardiac
25 signals with a library of signals associate with known authorized users. If the electronic device determines that the user is not authorized (e.g., the characteristics of the detected cardiac signal do not match characteristics of a cardiac signal stored in
30 memory), process 600 can move to step 608.

[0055] At step 608, the electronic device can prevent access to restricted electronic device operations. For example, the electronic device can

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prevent the user from accessing personal or private information associated with other users. As another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing applications or operations associated with particular users (e.g., applications purchased by particular users). As still another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing any electronic device operation (e.g., no operation except for emergency calls). Process 600 can then end at step 610.

[0056] If, at step 606, the electronic device instead determines that the user is authorized, process 600 can move to step 612. At step 612, the electronic device can determine the restricted operations that are associated with the user. For example, the electronic device can determine the particular private data associated with the authorized user (e.g., e-mail accounts, contact lists and banking information). As another example, the electronic device can determine the particular operations or applications associated with the authorized user (e.g., applications purchased by the user using an applications store, or system controlling operations associated with an administrative account). At step 614, the electronic device can provide access to the user's determined restricted operations. For example, the electronic device can load determined data. As another example, the electronic device can provide links for launching determined personal or private applications. Process 600 can then end at step 610.

[0057] The above-described embodiments of the present invention are presented for purposes of

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illustration and not of limitation, and the present invention is limited only by the claims which follow.

SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDED HEART RATE MONITOR

Cross-Reference to Related Application

[0001] This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/111,498, filed
5 November 5, 2008, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Background of the Invention

[0002] This is directed to providing a seamless heart-rate monitor in an electronic device.

10 [0003] Many electronic devices are used to store personal or confidential information. In particular, portable electronic devices such as cellular telephones, personal assistants, and music players are often used to store or access e-mail, contact lists,
15 communications history, remotely accessed accounts (e.g., telephone, banking or credit card accounts), or other information that a user may regard as personal or private. In addition, several users may use the same electronic device. For example, several users in a
20 household may use the same computer or portable music player. As another example, a user may lend an electronic device to a friend (e.g., lend an iPod,

available from Apple Inc. to a friend for a workout or a trip). To enhance each user's experience with the electronic device, the electronic device can include several profiles that can be loaded and provided to the users of the device. Each profile can be associated with a particular user, and include several settings that allow the electronic device interface user interaction components, and available data or applications to be personalized for the user.

10 **[0004]** The electronic device can use several approaches to identify the user of the electronic device and provide access to the user's private and personal information, or to load the user's personal profile. In some embodiments, the electronic device can identify or authenticate a user based on an input provided by the user, such as a password or key provided using an input mechanism. In some embodiments, the electronic device can include one or more sensors operative to detect a fingerprint, voice print, facial features, or other biometric characteristics of a user.

20 **[0005]** Other biometric-based approaches can be used to authenticate a user. In some embodiments, an electronic device can authenticate a user based on the attributes of the user's heartbeat. For example, the durations of particular portions of a user's heart rhythm, or the relative size of peaks of a user's electrocardiogram (EKG) can be processed and compared to a stored profile to authenticate a user of the device. To detect a user's heartbeat or heart rhythm, however, the electronic device must provide at least two leads that the user contacts to detect the user's cardiac signals. Although the leads can simply be

placed on the exterior surface of the device housing, for example in a defined location where the user may place a finger, this approach is not aesthetically pleasing, and may cause some prospective buyers to consider other devices. In addition, such an approach may require the user to perform a specific authentication action - viz., placing a finger on the one or more leads, then unlocking or accessing the electronic device features (e.g., by moving a slider across the screen). This additional step may in fact be so encumbering that users disable the authentication feature and instead use an unsecured electronic device.

Summary of the Invention

[0006] This is directed to an electronic device having a seamlessly integrated cardiac sensor. The cardiac sensor can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device, including for example a portion with which the user is typically in contact (e.g., an input mechanism or a housing held by the user), or metallic or conductive portions of the device.

[0007] The electronic device can include any suitable type of electronic device, including for example a portable electronic device that the user may hold in hand (e.g., a portable media player or a cellular telephone), a larger portable electronic device (e.g., a laptop computer), or a substantially fixed electronic device. The electronic device may include software or hardware operative to process the output of a cardiac sensor to extract, from the received output, characteristics of the user's heartbeat, heart rate, or other cardiac signals. For

example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic durations associated with the user's heart rate. As another example, the electronic device may extract one or more characteristic amplitudes or
5 amplitude ratios associated with the user's heart rate.

[0008] Once the electronic device has identified one or more characteristics of the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic device can compare the one or more identified
10 characteristics with cardiac signal characteristics of authorized users that have been stored in memory. In response to determining that the identified characteristics correspond to those of an authorized user (e.g., match those stored in memory), the
15 electronic device can provide the user with access to the electronic device and load the identified user's personal settings and data.

[0009] To determine the user's heart rate, heartbeat, or other cardiac signals, the electronic
20 device can include one or more sensors embedded in the device. The one or more sensors can include leads for receiving electrical signals from the user's heart. For example, the one or more sensors can include leads associated with the user's left and right sides, and
25 lead associated with the ground. To provide an electrical signal from the user to the processing circuitry, the leads can be exposed such that the user may directly contact the leads, or may instead or in addition be coupled to an electrically conductive
30 portion of the device enclosure (e.g., a metallic bezel or housing forming the exterior of the device).

[0010] Because each electronic device can include several leads, the leads may be electrically isolated

to avoid shorting or interference among leads. In some
embodiments, an electrically isolating component can be
inserted between adjacent leads. Alternatively, if the
electronic device enclosure is constructed from a
5 material having insufficient conductivity for
transmitting detected cardiac electrical signals, the
distance along the enclosure between adjacent leads can
be sufficient to isolate the leads. In addition, to
ensure that the aesthetic appeal and appearance of the
10 electronic device is retained, one or more of the
isolating components, the leads themselves, and the
device enclosure can be finished using a suitable
process to disguise the leads.

[0011] In some embodiments, if the electrical
15 conductivity of portions of the electronic device
enclosure and the leads are suitably selected and
designed, the leads can be positioned underneath the
exterior surface of the enclosure while providing
sufficient conductivity for detecting cardiac
20 electrical signals and avoiding shorting or
interference between adjacent leads. For example, the
sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based
compound having high electrical conductivity, while the
electronic device enclosure can be constructed from
25 steel and aluminum, both having lower electrical
conductivity. By placing several leads at
substantially larger distances apart along the
electronic device enclosure than the thickness of the
enclosure, electronic signals can be transmitted
30 through the steel or aluminum enclosure to a silver
based lead underneath the enclosure, but not along the
surface of the enclosure to cause adjacent leads to
short.

Brief Description of the Drawings

[0012] The above and other features of the present invention, its nature and various advantages will be more apparent upon consideration of the following
5 detailed description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings in which:

[0013] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the
10 invention;

[0014] FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat;

[0015] FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in
15 accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0016] FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one
20 embodiment of the invention;

[0017] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

25 **[0018]** FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention; and

[0019] FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation
30 based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

Detailed Description

[0020] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device for receiving the output of one or more sensors in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 100 can include control circuitry 102, storage 104, memory 106, input/output circuitry 108, communications circuitry 110, and heart sensor 112. In some embodiments, one or more of electronic device components 100 can be combined or omitted (e.g., combine storage 104 and memory 106). In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include other components not combined or included in those shown in FIG. 1 (e.g., motion detection components, a power supply such as a battery or kinetics, a display, bus, or input mechanism), or several instances of the components shown in FIG. 1. For the sake of simplicity, only one of each of the components is shown in FIG. 1.

[0021] Control circuitry 102 can include any processing circuitry or processor operative to control the operations and performance of electronic device 100. For example, control circuitry 100 can be used to run operating system applications, firmware applications, media playback applications, media editing applications, or any other application. In some embodiments, the control circuitry can drive a display and process inputs received from a user interface.

[0022] Storage 104 can include, for example, one or more storage mediums including a hard-drive, solid state drive, flash memory, permanent memory such as ROM, any other suitable type of storage component, or any combination thereof. Storage 104 can store, for

example, media data (e.g., music and video files), application data (e.g., for implementing functions on device 100), firmware, user preference information data (e.g., media playback preferences), authentication
5 information (e.g. libraries of data associated with authorized users), lifestyle information data (e.g., food preferences), exercise information data (e.g., information obtained by exercise monitoring equipment), transaction information data (e.g., information such as
10 credit card information), wireless connection information data (e.g., information that can enable electronic device 100 to establish a wireless connection), subscription information data (e.g., information that keeps track of podcasts or television
15 shows or other media a user subscribes to), contact information data (e.g., telephone numbers and email addresses), calendar information data, and any other suitable data or any combination thereof.

[0023] Memory 106 can include cache memory, semi-
20 permanent memory such as RAM, and/or one or more different types of memory used for temporarily storing data. In some embodiments, memory 106 can also be used for storing data used to operate electronic device applications, or any other type of data that can be
25 stored in storage 104. In some embodiments, memory 106 and storage 104 can be combined as a single storage medium.

[0024] Input/output circuitry 108 can be operative to convert (and encode/decode, if necessary) analog
30 signals and other signals into digital data. In some embodiments, input/output circuitry 108 can also convert digital data into any other type of signal, and vice-versa. For example, input/output circuitry 108

can receive and convert physical contact inputs (e.g., from a multi-touch screen), physical movements (e.g., from a mouse or sensor), analog audio signals (e.g., from a microphone), or any other input. The digital data can be provided to and received from processor 102, storage 104, memory 106, heart sensor 112, or any other component of electronic device 100. Although input/output circuitry 108 is illustrated in FIG. 1 as a single component of electronic device 100, several instances of input/output circuitry can be included in electronic device 100.

[0025] Electronic device 100 can include any suitable mechanism or component for allowing a user to provide inputs to input/output circuitry 108. For example, electronic device 100 can include any suitable input mechanism, such as for example, a button, keypad, dial, a click wheel, or a touch screen. In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include a capacitive sensing mechanism, or a multi-touch capacitive sensing mechanism. Some sensing mechanisms are described in commonly owned Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026521, filed July 30, 2004, entitled "Gestures for Touch Sensitive Input Device," and Hotelling et al. U.S. Published Patent Application No. 1006/0026535, filed January 18, 2005, entitled "Mode-Based Graphical User Interfaces for Touch Sensitive Input Device," both of which are incorporated herein in their entirety.

[0026] In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can include specialized output circuitry associated with output devices such as, for example, one or more audio outputs. The audio output can include one or

more speakers (e.g., mono or stereo speakers) built into electronic device 100, or an audio component that is remotely coupled to electronic device 100 (e.g., a headset, headphones or earbuds that can be coupled to communications device with a wire or wirelessly).

[0027] In some embodiments, I/O circuitry 108 can include display circuitry (e.g., a screen or projection system) for providing a display visible to the user. For example, the display circuitry can include a screen (e.g., an LCD screen) that is incorporated in electronics device 100. As another example, the display circuitry can include a movable display or a projecting system for providing a display of content on a surface remote from electronic device 100 (e.g., a video projector). In some embodiments, the display circuitry can include a coder/decoder (Codec) to convert digital media data into analog signals. For example, the display circuitry (or other appropriate circuitry within electronic device 100) can include video Codecs, audio Codecs, or any other suitable type of Codec.

[0028] The display circuitry also can include display driver circuitry, circuitry for driving display drivers, or both. The display circuitry can be operative to display content (e.g., media playback information, application screens for applications implemented on the electronic device, information regarding ongoing communications operations, information regarding incoming communications requests, or device operation screens) under the direction of control circuitry 102. Alternatively, the display circuitry can be operative to provide instructions to a remote display (e.g., display 130, FIG. 1).

[0029] Communications circuitry 110 can include any suitable communications circuitry operative to connect to a communications network and to transmit communications (e.g., voice or data) from communications device 100 to other devices within the communications network. Communications circuitry 110 can be operative to interface with the communications network using any suitable communications protocol such as, for example, Wi-Fi (e.g., a 802.11 protocol), Bluetooth®, radio frequency systems (e.g., 900 MHz, 1.4 GHz, and 5.6 GHz communication systems), infrared, GSM, GSM plus EDGE, CDMA, quadband, and other cellular protocols, VOIP, or any other suitable protocol.

[0030] In some embodiments, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a communications network using any suitable communications protocol. For example, communications circuitry 110 can create a short-range communications network using a short-range communications protocol to connect to other devices. For example, communications circuitry 110 can be operative to create a local communications network using the Bluetooth® protocol to couple electronic device 100 with a Bluetooth® headset.

[0031] Electronic device 100 can include one more instances of communications circuitry 110 for simultaneously performing several communications operations using different communications networks, although only one is shown in FIG. 1 to avoid overcomplicating the drawing. For example, electronic device 100 can include a first instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over a cellular network, and a second instance of communications circuitry 110 for communicating over Wi-

Fi or using Bluetooth®. In some embodiments, the same instance of communications circuitry 110 can be operative to provide for communications over several communications networks.

5 **[0032]** In some embodiments, electronic device 100 can be coupled a host device for data transfers, synching the communications device, software or firmware updates, providing performance information to a remote source (e.g., providing riding characteristics
10 to a remove server) or performing any other suitable operation that can require electronic device 100 to be coupled to a host device. Several electronic devices 100 can be coupled to a single host device using the host device as a server, and instead or in
15 addition electronic device 100 can be coupled to several host devices (e.g., for each of the plurality of the host devices to serve as a backup for data stored in electronic device 100).

20 **[0033]** Heart sensor 112 can include any suitable sensor operative to detect a user's heartbeat, heart rate, or any other signal generated by the user's heart. In some embodiments, heart sensor 112 can serve as an EKG monitor. Heart sensor 112 can include one or more leads connected to the exterior of the electronic
25 device such that the user may contact one or more of the leads to provide an electrical signal associated with the user's heart to heart sensor 112. The cardiac signals detected by the heart sensor leads can be coupled to a processor incorporated in heart
30 sensor 112, or instead provided to processor 102. The processor may then analyze the received signals and generate, from the received signals, one or more

characteristic quantities of the user's heartbeat or heart rate for authentication.

[0034] The heart sensor leads can be constructed from any suitable material. In some embodiments, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a specific material selected for particular conductive properties that permit a more effective transmission of the electrical signals reflecting the user's cardiac activity. For example, the heart sensor leads can be constructed from a silver based compound, which can provide superior conductivity relative to other metallic compounds (e.g., steel or aluminum). In addition, the size and location of the leads can be selected to ensure that sufficient contact is made between the user (e.g., the user's hand or finger) and the leads for cardiac signals to be detected. For example, each lead can include a pad or extended area placed on the outer or inner surface of an electronic device bezel or housing. The pad or extended area can then be coupled to a wire or other connector for providing cardiac signals to a processor for processing. As another example, an entire portion of the electronic device enclosure (e.g., a portion of a bezel or housing) can serve as a lead for the heart sensor. In such embodiments, the portion of the enclosure can be sufficiently electrically isolated from other conductive portions of the electronic device housing to ensure that lead portions of the device do not short. In some embodiments, an accessory coupled to the electronic device can be used to detect a user's heart rate. For example, the leads can be located in one or more earbuds or in a headset, for example as is described in commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application

No. 11/729,075, filed March 3, 2007, entitled "Integrated Sensors For Tracking Performance Metrics," which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

5 **[0035]** Using a heart sensor, the electronic device can detect and analyze the electrical activity of the heart over time. FIG. 2 is a graphical representation of illustrative electrical activity of a heart during a heartbeat. Representation 200 may include a plot of
10 the variation of the heart's electrical potential over time. A typical heartbeat may include several variations of electrical potential, which may be classified into waves and a complex. For example, representation 200 can include P wave 202, QRS
15 complex 210, and T wave 220. Some representations can in addition include a U wave (not shown). The P wave can represent normal atrial depolarization, when the main electrical vector spreads from the right atrium to the left atrium. The shape and duration of the P wave
20 can be related to the size of the user's atrium (e.g., indicating atrial enlargement), and can be a first source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

[0036] The QRS complex can correspond to the depolarization of the heart ventricles, and can be
25 separated into three distinct waves - a Q wave, a R wave and a S wave. Because the ventricles contain more muscle mass than the atria, the QRS complex is larger than the P wave. In addition, the His/Purkinje system of the heart, which can increase the conduction
30 velocity to coordinate the depolarization of the ventricles, can cause the QRS complex to look "spiked" rather than rounded. The duration of the QRS complex of a healthy heart can be in the range of 60 to 100ms,

but can vary due to abnormalities of conduction. The duration of the QRS complex can therefore serve as a second source of heartbeat characteristics unique to a user.

5 **[0037]** The duration, amplitude, and morphology of each of the Q, R and S waves can vary in different individuals, and in particular can vary significantly for users having cardiac diseases or cardiac irregularities. For example, a Q wave that is greater
10 than 1/3 of the height of the R wave, or greater than 40ms in duration can be indicative of a myocardial infarction and provide a unique characteristic of the user's heart. Similarly, other healthy ratios of Q and R waves can be used to distinguish different users'
15 heartbeats.

[0038] Representation 200 may include one or more characteristic durations or intervals that can be used to distinguish different users. For example, representation 200 can include PR interval 204 and ST
20 segment 212. PR interval 204 can be measured from the beginning of P wave 202 to the beginning of QRS complex 210. PR interval 204 can typically last 120 to 200ms. A PR interval 204 having a different duration can indicate one or more defects in the heart, such as
25 a first degree heart block (e.g., PR interval 204 lasting more than 200ms), a pre-excitation syndrome via an accessory pathway that leads to early activation of the ventricles (e.g., PR interval 204 lasts less than 120ms), or another type of heart block (e.g., PR
30 interval 204 is variable). ST segment 212 can be measured from QRS complex 210 to T wave 220, for example starting at the junction between QRS complex 210 and ST segment 212 and ending at the

beginning of T wave 220. ST segment 212 can typically last from 80 to 120ms, and normally has a slight upward concavity. The combination of the length of ST segment 212, and the concavity or elevation of ST segment 212 can also be used to generate characteristic information unique to each user's heartbeat.

[0039] T wave 220 can represent the repolarization or recovery of the ventricles. The interval from the beginning of the QRS complex to the apex of the T wave can be referred to as the absolute refractory period. The last half of the T wave can be referred to as the relative refractory period or vulnerable period. The amplitude of T wave 220, the duration of the absolute refractory period, and the relative refractory period can also be used to define a characteristic of the user's heart rate.

[0040] QT interval 222, which can represent the total time needed for the ventricles to depolarize and repolarize, can be measured from the beginning of QRS complex 210 to the end of T wave 220. QT interval 222 can typically last between 300 and 450ms, and can vary based on the condition of the user's heart rate. Several correction factors have been developed to correct QT interval 222 for the heart rate. Both the measured and corrected QT interval 222 values can be used to define a unique characteristic of a user's heartbeat.

[0041] Because a user's heartbeat or heart rate can vary slightly based on the user's activity or mood, each authorized user can initially provide a base or standard heart rate, heartbeat, or electrical activity to the device prior to first use. For example, the electronic device can sample several heartbeats or

electrical activity at several different times to detect variations in the user's cardiac electrical activity. The electronic device can process detected signals to determine several unique characteristics of the user's heart activity, and identify a range of suitable characteristic values for each of the processed characteristics. Based on the characteristic values and associated ranges, the electronic device can select one, all or a subset of the characteristics to define a unique heart activity profile for the authorized user. The particular combination of characteristics and associated ranges can be selected to minimize overlap with other authorized users, or based on characteristic values and ranges that do not fall within a range of average values and ranges (e.g., do not use characteristic values and ranges that an average user of the device would have).

[0042] The heart sensor of the electronic device can include several leads for detecting the user's heart activity. The leads can be integrated in any suitable portion of the electronic device. FIG. 3 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device having several integrated leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 300 can include display 302 and bezel 310, and be portable such that a user can hold electronic device with fingers extending against one of sides 312 and 314 of bezel 310, and the user's thumb extending against the other of sides 312 and 314. Leads 322 and 324, which can include conductive pads, can be coupled to sides 312 and 324 of bezel 310, respectively, such that when the user holds the device, the user's thumb and fingers are placed in contact with leads 322 and 324.

Alternatively, bezel 310 can include any other suitable number of leads, or any other suitable distribution of leads along bezel 310 and in other portions of electronic device 300. The leads can detect the user's cardiac activity through the contact with the user's thumb and fingers, and provide the detected activity to the electronic device processor for processing. The size of leads 322 and 324 can be selected based on any suitable consideration, including for example the different possible positions of a user's hands on the device, the amount of contact necessary to detect the user's cardiac activity, preventing or reducing short circuits and other cardiac signal detection errors, manufacturing considerations (e.g., the minimum or maximum size leads that can be integrated in the bezel), aesthetic considerations (e.g., sizing leads 322 and 324 to reduce the visibility of leads 322 and 324), or any other suitable consideration.

[0043] In some embodiments, electronic device 300 can include additional lead 326 embedded in or behind display 302. Lead 326 can be operative to detect a user's heart activity as the user moves a finger across display 302, for example in the vicinity of or directly over lead 326 (e.g., as the user drags a finger over lead 326 to move a slider when unlocking the electronic device). Using lead 326, the electronic device can detect an electrical signal from a different portion of the user's body (e.g., leads 322 and 324 detect signals through a first hand, and lead 326 detects signals through the second hand), which can provide the processor with additional information for determining characteristics of the user's cardiac activity.

[0044] Any suitable approach can be used to prevent leads 322, 324 and 326 from shorting. In particular, electronic device 300 can include at least one non-conductive component positioned between each of
5 leads 322, 324 and 326. For example, a rubber gasket can be positioned between leads 322 and 324 (in bezel 310) and lead 326 (in display 302). In some embodiments, the cardiac electrical signals detected by leads 322, 324 and 326 can be faint or have particular
10 characteristics that require materials having particular properties (e.g., silver-based compounds) to detect and transmit. In such cases, although the material used for bezel 310 or other electronic device components can be conductive, its conductivity can be
15 insufficient to transmit signals detected by lead 322 directly to lead 324 (e.g., shorting leads 322 and 324). This may allow leads 322 and 324 to be embedded directly in bezel 310 without the need for additional isolating material, which can add cost and complexity
20 to the manufacturing process.

[0045] To ensure that electronic device 300, and in particular bezel 310 remains aesthetically pleasing, leads 322 and 324 can be finished to resemble bezel 310. For example, leads 322 and 324 can be
25 polished or roughened to match the finish of bezel 310. As another example, a conductive coating can be applied to leads 322 and 324 to match the color, tone and reflectivity of bezel 310. In some embodiments, the texture or feel of leads 322 and 324 can also be
30 selected to render leads 322 and 324 visibly and haptically indistinguishable or nearly indistinguishable from bezel 310.

[0046] Leads 322 and 324 can be integrated in bezel 310 using any suitable approach. In some embodiments, leads 322 and 324 can be positioned on the exterior surface of bezel 310 and include an

5 electrically conductive path to the electronic device processor. FIG. 4A is a cross-sectional view of an illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 400 can

10 include display 402 and bezel 410. Lead 422 can be embedded along the outer surface of bezel 410 such that lead 422 is exposed to the user during use. Connector 424 can be coupled to the inner surface of lead 422 and extend into electronic device 400 to be

15 coupled with a processor. In some embodiments, electronic device 400 can in addition include an isolating layer positioned between lead 422 and bezel 410 (not shown). The isolating layer can be constructed from any suitable material having non-

20 conductive properties, including for example a ceramic material, plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Alternatively, if the material of bezel 410 is not conductive, or insufficiently conductive to cause several distinct leads 422 positioned on

25 bezel 410 from shorting, no isolating layer may be necessary.

[0047] FIG. 4B is a cross-sectional view of another illustrative electronic device having a bezel with an embedded heart sensor lead in accordance with one

30 embodiment of the invention. Electronic device 450 can include display 452 and bezel 460. If the electrical conductivity and size of bezel 460, and the strength or characteristics of the cardiac signal provided by the

user and detected by the heart sensor are adapted such that the signal can be transmitted along short distances in bezel 460, lead 472 of the heart sensor can be positioned against the back surface of bezel 460. Alternatively, lead 472 can be placed within the thickness of bezel 460 (e.g., in a pocket within the bezel wall), but underneath the outer surface of the bezel. The short thickness of bezel 460 can allow electrical signals to propagate from the user to the outer surface of bezel 460, through bezel 460, and into lead 472, which may in turn transmit the signals to a processor using connector 474. In addition, if several leads are placed along different portions of bezel 460, the distance between adjacent leads can be sufficiently large (e.g., substantially larger than the thickness of bezel 460) that different leads of bezel 460 cannot detect the same electrical signal.

[0048] In some embodiments, entire portions of the bezel can be used as leads for the heart sensor. FIG. 5 is a schematic view of an illustrative electronic device using portions of the bezel as leads in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Similar to electronic device 300 (FIG. 3), electronic device 500 can include display 502 and bezel 510. Bezel 510 can be separated into several electrically isolated segments, for example segments 522 and 524. The segments can be electrically isolated using isolating portions 530 and 532, which can be constructed from any suitable non-conductive material, such as for example a composite material, a plastic, rubber, or any other suitable material. Although FIG. 5 shows bezel 510 broken into two segments having

similar sizes, it will be understood that bezel 510 can be separated into any suitable number of electrically isolated segments, and each segment can have any suitable size. In particular, the sizes and
5 distribution of each segment can be selected based on physiological considerations (e.g., where a user's hand will be positioned on the device, or aligning the segments to contact particular portions of the user's body).

10 **[0049]** To ensure that electronic device 500 remains aesthetically pleasing, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be finished to resemble bezel 510. For example, isolating portions 530 and 532 can be polished or machined to create a reflective surface matching the
15 reflection of bezel 510. As another example, a reflective or finishing coating can be applied to the surfaces of isolating portions 530 and 532 to match the finish of bezel 510. In some embodiments, the texture of isolating portions 530 and 532 can also be selected
20 to render segments 522 and 524 visually and haptically indistinguishable or nearly indistinguishable from isolating portions 530 and 532.

[0050] Other heart sensor leads can be placed at any other suitable position on the electronic device
25 enclosure. For example, if the enclosure is constructed from a bezel supporting a display and a housing forming the exterior surface of the device behind the display, one or more leads can be embedded in or adjacent to the housing. For example, if the
30 housing includes a conductive section (e.g., a plastic housing with a metallic logo in the center of the housing), the lead can be coupled to or integrated in the conductive section.

[0051] The heart sensor and processor can detect and process the user's cardiac activity at any suitable time. For example, the processor can receive and process heart activity when the device is locked and held while in its locked state. As another example, the processor can receive and process heart activity as the user places a finger over lead 326 (e.g., when the user slides a finger across the display to unlock the device) or when an input mechanism detects a particular input. As still another example, the electronic device can receive and process heart activity data in response to a user instruction or request to access a particular application or data that for which access is restricted. Upon receiving the cardiac activity, the electronic device can extract one or more characteristics of the received activity and compare the extracted characteristics with the characteristics previously stored in memory that were associated with authorized users. If the extracted characteristics match those of an authorized user, the electronic device can authenticate the identified user.

[0052] The electronic device can perform any suitable operation in response to identifying and authenticating a user based on detected cardiac signals. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to restricted applications, for example applications for which only particular users have licenses or that only particular users have purchased. In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide access to particular data or application settings associated with an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can provide access to the identified user's contact list, or to the

identified user's e-mail account or telephone history. As another example, the electronic device can allow the user to access private banking applications, or conduct financial transactions (e.g., transferring funds to
5 different accounts, or purchasing merchandise) using the electronic device. In some embodiments, the electronic device can load user settings and profiles for providing a customized display to the user. For example, the electronic device can display icons or
10 options in the manner set by the user, or provide displays using a color scheme, fonts, or other customizable display attribute that are associated with the identified user.

[0053] In some embodiments, the electronic device
15 can use the detected heart rate or heartbeat characteristics to determine the user's mood. In particular, because the allowable determined characteristics associated with each user can include a range of values, the electronic device can determine
20 the distribution of the detected characteristics in the allowable characteristic ranges. Using the determined distribution, the electronic device can establish a user's mood and provide electronic device operations or data (e.g., media) associated with the extrapolated
25 mood. Systems and methods for providing mood-based electronic device operations are discussed in more detail in commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 12/218,203, filed July 10, 2008 and entitled "System and Method for Creating a Playlist Based on
30 Mood," which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

[0054] In some embodiments, the electronic device can provide media playback based on the user's detected

cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can identify media having beats per minute or other characteristics that are associated with or related to the user's cardiac signal or heart rate, and play back the identified media. As another example, the media provided can have beats per minute faster or slower than the user's current heart rate to direct the user to work harder (e.g., during a workout) or to cool or calm the user down (e.g., at the end of a workout).

10 **[0055]** FIG. 6 is a flowchart of an illustrative process for performing an electronic device operation based on a user's cardiac signal in accordance with one embodiment of the invention. Process 600 can begin at step 602. At step 604, the electronic device can

15 detect a user's cardiac signal. For example, the electronic device can detect a user's heart rate or heart beat using one or more leads connected to or placed on a housing, bezel, or other exterior surface of the electronic device. The electronic device can

20 process the received signal using any suitable approach, including for example to determine unique characteristics of the signal. Such characteristics can include, for example, durations between peaks in an EKG signal, peak values or ratios between peaks in the

25 EKG signal, or any other suitable characteristic. At step 606, the electronic device can determine whether the user detected at step 604 is an authorized user. For example, the electronic device can compare the determined characteristics of the detected cardiac

30 signals with a library of signals associate with known authorized users. If the electronic device determines that the user is not authorized (e.g., the characteristics of the detected cardiac signal do not

match characteristics of a cardiac signal stored in memory), process 600 can move to step 608.

[0056] At step 608, the electronic device can prevent access to restricted electronic device operations. For example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing personal or private information associated with other users. As another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing applications or operations associated with particular users (e.g., applications purchased by particular users). As still another example, the electronic device can prevent the user from accessing any electronic device operation (e.g., no operation except for emergency calls). Process 600 can then end at step 610

[0057] If, at step 606, the electronic device instead determines that the user is authorized, process 600 can move to step 612. At step 612, the electronic device can determine the restricted operations that are associated with the user. For example, the electronic device can determine the particular private data associated with the authorized user (e.g., e-mail accounts, contact lists and banking information). As another example, the electronic device can determine the particular operations or applications associated with the authorized user (e.g., applications purchased by the user using an applications store, or system controlling operations associated with an administrative account). At step 614, the electronic device can provide access to the user's determined restricted operations. For example, the electronic device can load determined data. As another example, the electronic device can

provide links for launching determined personal or private applications. Process 600 can then end at step 610.

[0058] The above-described embodiments of the present invention are presented for purposes of illustration and not of limitation, and the present invention is limited only by the claims which follow.

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What is Claimed is:

1. An electronic device operative to detect
a user's cardiac signal, comprising:
a housing;
a bezel coupled to the housing to form
5 an enclosure for the electronic device;
a heart sensor operative to detect the
user's cardiac signal, the heart sensor comprising at
least one lead placed in contact with an interior
surface of at least one of the bezel and the housing;
10 and
a processor operative to receive and
process the detected cardiac electrical signal.

2. The electronic device of claim 1,
wherein:
the bezel comprises a first section and
a second section, the first and second sections located
5 on opposite sides of the electronic device; and
the heart sensor comprising a first and
second lead, the first lead coupled to the first
section and the second lead coupled to the second
section.

3. The electronic device of claim 2,
wherein the first section is electrically isolated from
the second portion.

4. The electronic device of claim 1,
wherein:
the bezel is constructed from a material
having a first conductivity; and

5 the at least one lead is constructed
from a material having a second conductivity, the
second conductivity being substantially higher than the
first conductivity.

5. The electronic device of claim 4,
wherein the bezel is constructed from one of aluminum
and steel, and wherein the at least one lead is
constructed from a silver based compound.

6. The electronic device of claim 4,
wherein the conductivity of the first material is such
that the detected cardiac electrical signal is not
transmitted over a distance substantially larger than
5 the thickness of the bezel.

7. The electronic device of claim 6,
wherein the heart sensor comprises a first lead and a
second lead placed in contact with the bezel, the first
and second leads positioned apart at distances
5 substantially larger than the thickness of the bezel.

8. The electronic device of claim 1,
wherein:
 the bezel further comprises a pocket
underneath the outer surface of the bezel; and
5 the at least one lead is placed within
the pocket.

9. A bezel for use in an electronic device
operative to detect a user's cardiac signal, the bezel
operative to be coupled to a housing to form an
electronic device enclosure, the bezel comprising:
5 an outer surface operative to be
contacted by the user; and

10 a pad coupled to a heart sensor lead,
the pad embedded in the outer surface, wherein the pad
and outer surface are visibly indistinguishable to the
user.

10. The bezel of claim 9, wherein the bezel
is constructed from a conductive material.

11. The bezel of claim 10, further
comprising:

5 a second pad coupled to a second heart
sensor lead, the second pad embedded in the outer
surface of the bezel, wherein the conductivity of the
bezel is insufficient to transmit a cardiac electrical
signal detected by the pad to the second pad.

12. The bezel of claim 9, wherein:
a first finishing process is applied to
the bezel; and

5 a second finishing process, different
from the first finishing process, is applied to the pad
to render the outer surfaces of the bezel and pad
visibly indistinguishable.

10 13. The bezel of claim 9, further
comprising an isolating layer placed between the bezel
and the pad, such that a cardiac signal detected by pad
is not transmitted to the bezel.

14. The bezel of claim 9, wherein the bezel
is constructed from one of steel and aluminum.

15. The bezel of claim 9, wherein the pad is
constructed from a silver based compound.

16. An electronic device operative to detect a user's cardiac electrical signals, comprising:

- 5 a display;
 a housing;
 a bezel operative to retain the display
and couple to the housing;
 a sensor operative to process the user's
10 cardiac electrical signals;
 a first lead connected to the sensor,
the first lead coupled to an interior surface of the
bezel; and
 a second lead connected to the sensor,
15 the second lead coupled to an interior surface of the
housing, wherein the first and second leads are
operative to detect the user's cardiac electrical
signals from contacts of the bezel and housing with the
user's skin

17. The electronic device of claim 16,
wherein the first and second leads are electrically
isolated such that the user's cardiac electrical signal
is not propagated between the first and second leads
5 through the bezel and housing.

18. The electronic device of claim 16,
wherein the first lead further comprises a pad embedded
underneath the outer surface of the bezel.

19. The electronic device of claim 18,
wherein the pad is constructed from a silver based
compound, and the bezel is constructed from at least
one of aluminum and steel.

20. A method for authenticating a user,
comprising:

detecting a user's cardiac signal from
contacts between the user and at least one lead, the at
5 least one lead placed in contact with an inner surface
of at least one of a bezel and housing of an electronic
device;

processing the detected cardiac signal
to extract at least one unique characteristic of the
10 cardiac signal;

comparing the at least one unique
characteristic with a library of characteristics
associated with authorized users;

determining that the at least one unique
15 characteristic matches a characteristic in the library
of characteristics; and

providing access to a restricted
electronic device operation in response to determining.

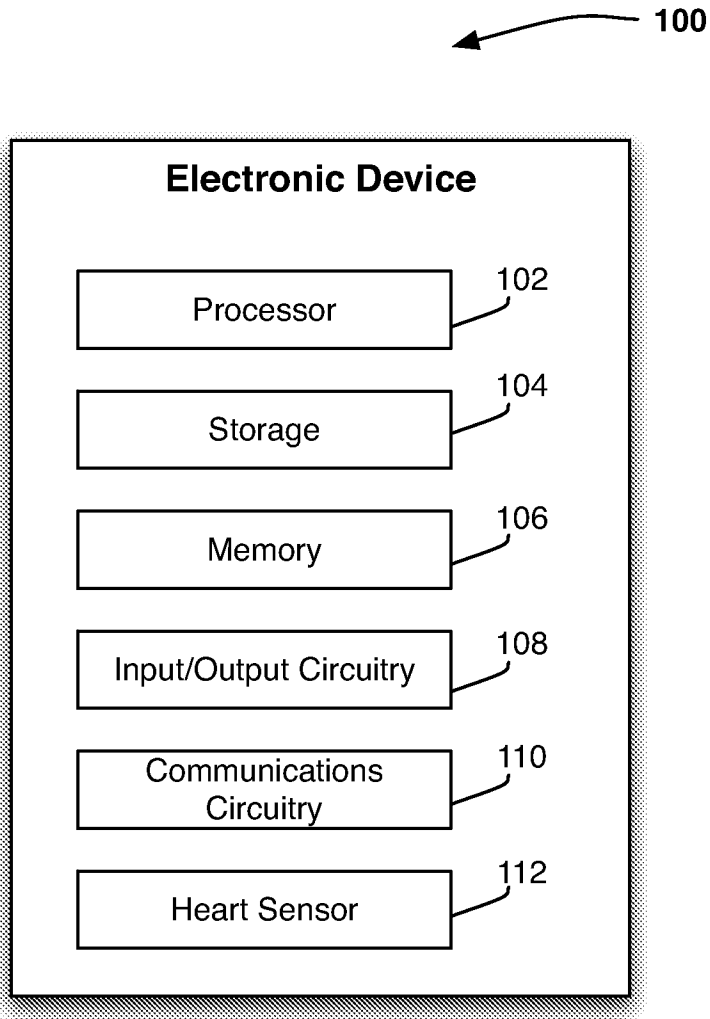
21. The method of claim 20, wherein
providing further comprises providing access to
restricted data.

22. The method of claim 20, wherein
providing further comprises providing access to at
least one restricted application.

23. The method of claim 20, wherein the at
least one unique characteristic further comprises at
least one of a duration, peak height, and ratio of peak
heights.

Abstract

[0059] This is directed to an electronic device having an integrated sensor for detecting a user's cardiac activity and cardiac electrical signals. The electronic device can include a heart sensor having several leads for detecting a user's cardiac signals. The leads can be coupled to interior surfaces of the electronic device housing to hide the sensor from view, such that electrical signals generated by the user can be transmitted from the user's skin through the electronic device housing to the leads. In some embodiments, the leads can be coupled to pads placed on the exterior of the housing. The pads and housing can be finished to ensure that the pads are not visibly or haptically distinguishable on the device, thus improving the aesthetic qualities of the device. Using the detected signals, the electronic device can identify or authenticate the user and perform an operation based on the identity of the user. In some embodiments, the electronic device can determine the user's mood from the cardiac signals and provide data related to the user's mood.

**FIG. 1**

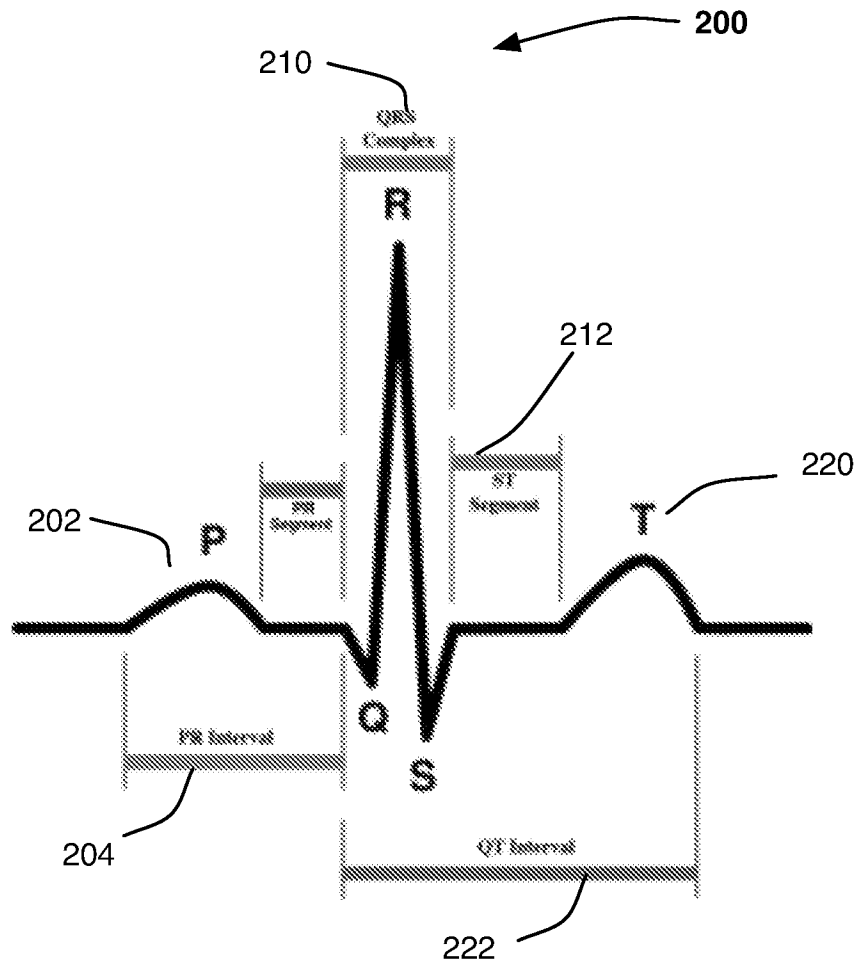


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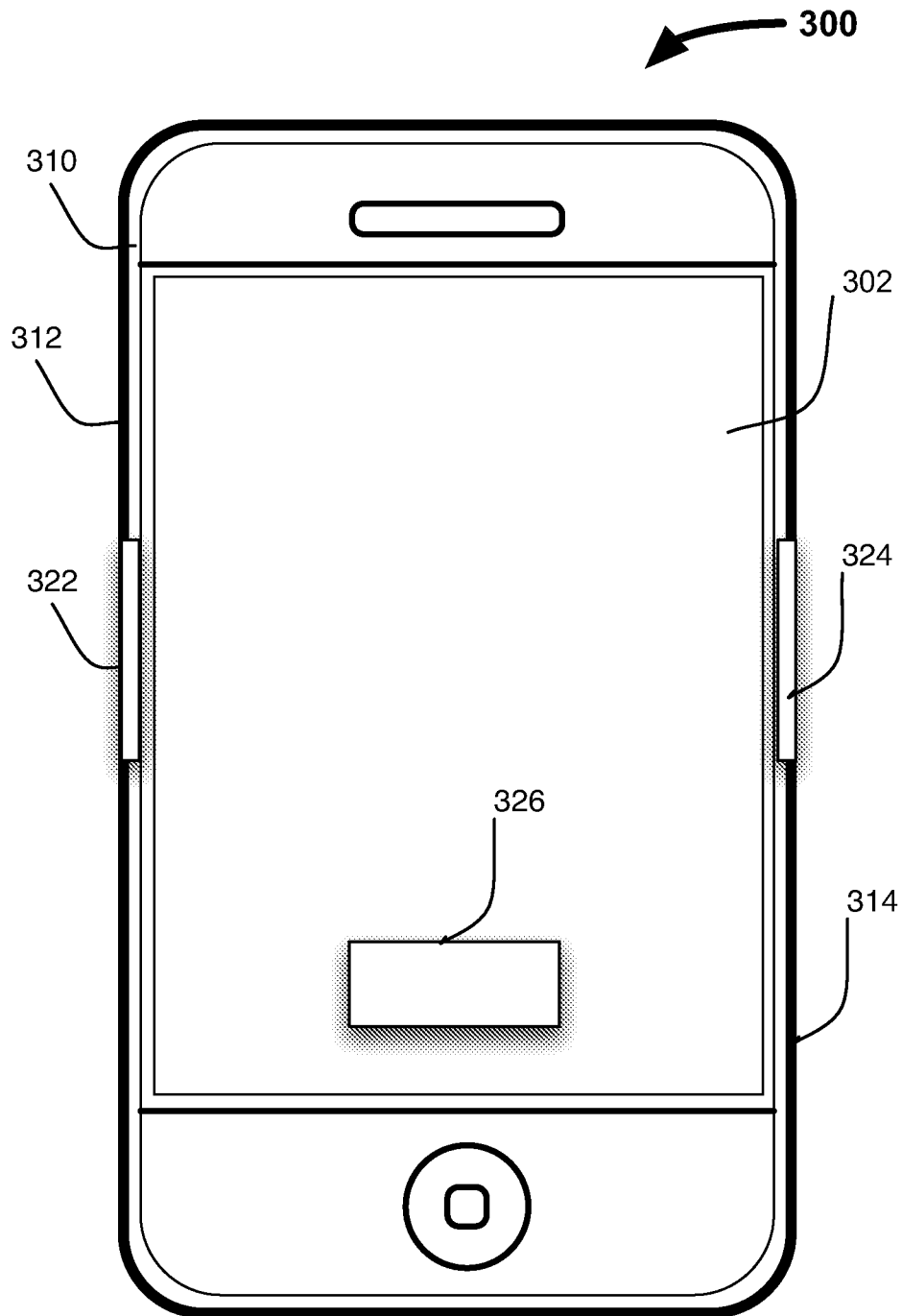


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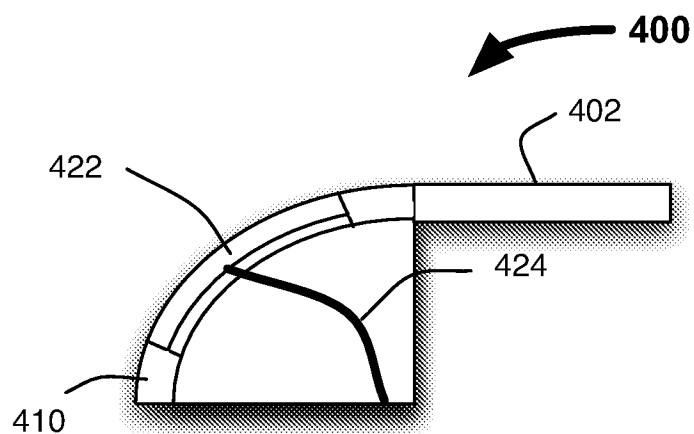


FIG. 4A

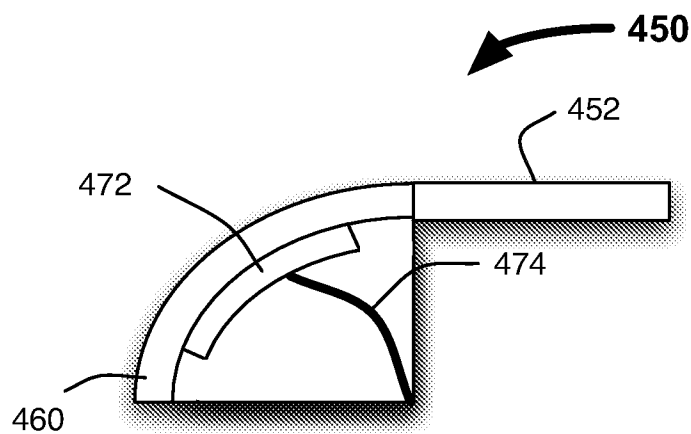


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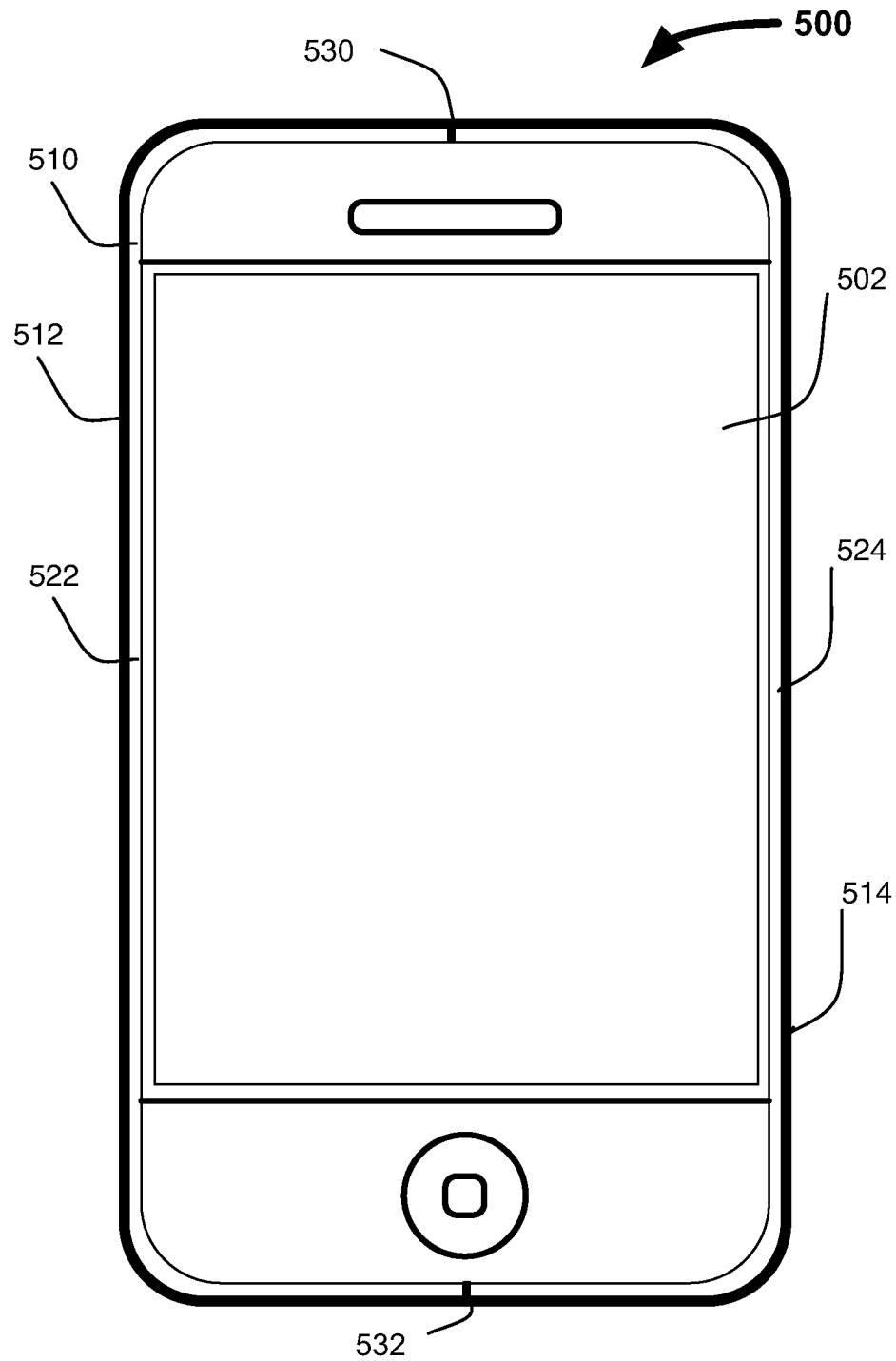


FIG. 5

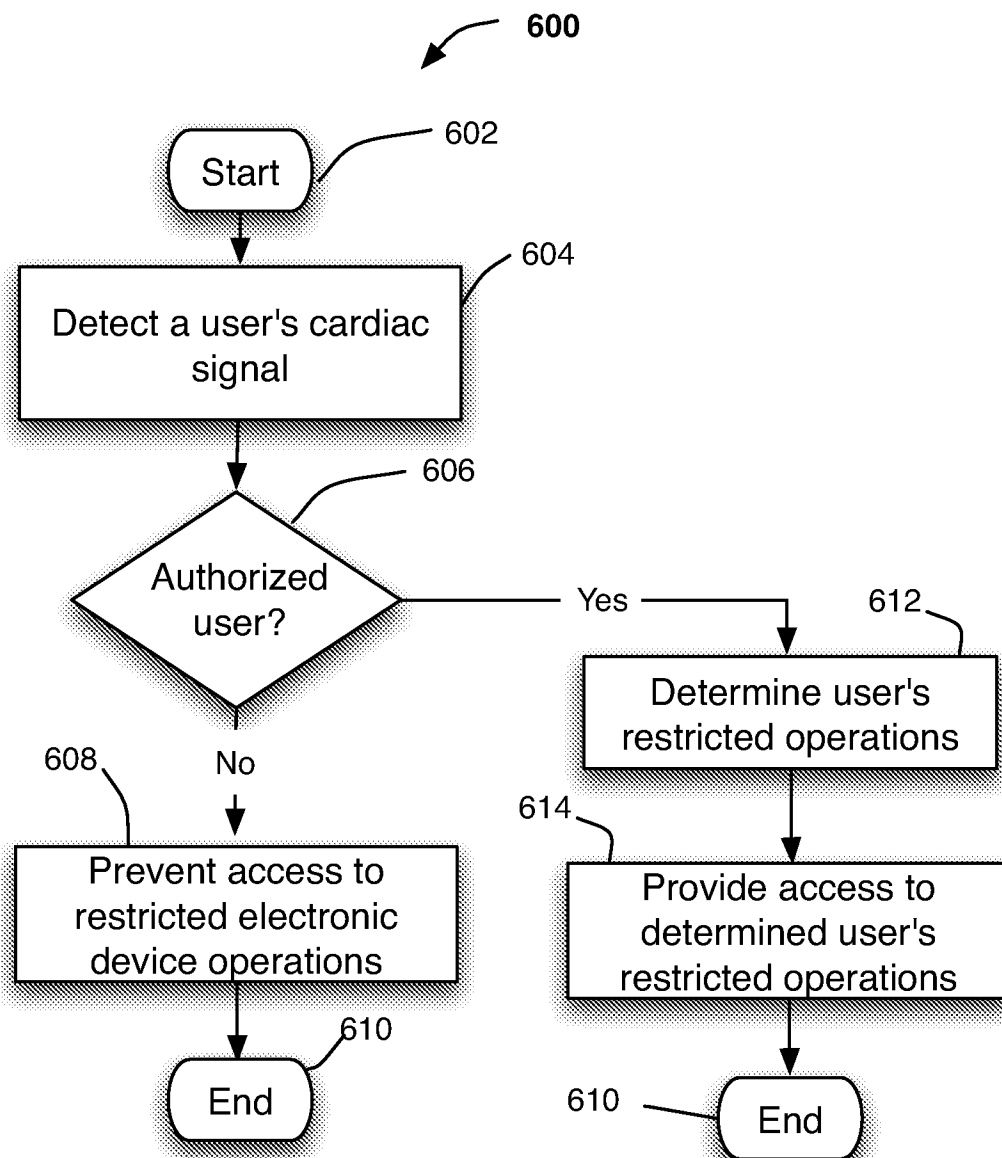


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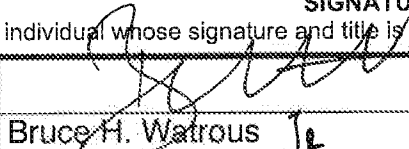
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

/Jeffrey C. Aldridge/

December 20, 2013

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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, we, Gloria Lin, Taido Nakajima, Pareet Rahul, and Andrew Hodge, residing in San Ramon, California; Cupertino, California; Markham, Canada; and Palo Alto, California, respectively have made an invention in:

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and are about to make application for United States Letters Patent therefor, the same having been executed by us on even date(s) herewith; and

WHEREAS, Apple Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of California and having an office and place of business at 1 Infinite Loop, Cupertino, CA 95014 is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said invention, said United States patent application and in any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to us, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said Apple Inc., its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said United States patent application, including any continuations, continuations-in-part, and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any patents which may issue thereon, and any reissues of the same, and including the right to claim priority under the International Convention based on said patent application; and all right, title and interest in and to every patent application filed or to be filed on said invention in any other country,

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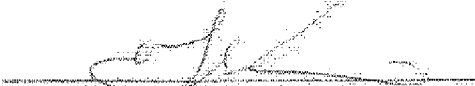
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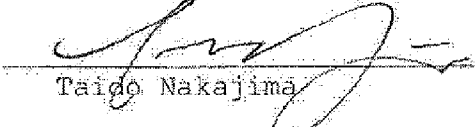
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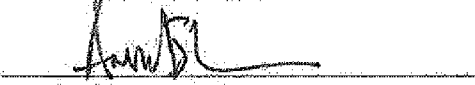
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08a.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), applicants have not submitted copies of the US patent and publication documents.

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It is respectfully requested that the aforementioned documents be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2)

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the application. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee(s) deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-6007.

Respectfully submitted,

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