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## (54) REMOVABLE ANTENNAS FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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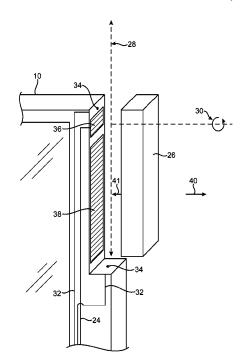
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A removable antenna is provided for an electronic device such as a laptop computer. An antenna resonating element is mounted within the antenna. Magnetic coupling structures are used to magnetically attach the antenna to the electronic device. The magnetic coupling structures couple the antenna resonating element to circuitry in the electronic device. The electronic device may have an antenna receptacle that holds the antenna in a stowed position and allows the antenna to extend to an extended position. A user may extend the antenna by sliding the antenna or by rotating the antenna to its extended position. The coupling structures may allow the antenna to break away from the electronic device without damage.

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## (54) TAG DEVICE, ANTENNA, AND PORTABLE CARD

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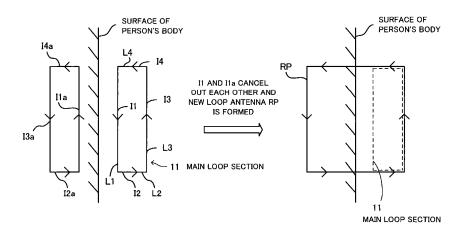
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A tag device that performs high-quality radio communication without radio wave radiation or receiving characteristics being deteriorated near a person's body and without hindering communication by another IC tag. A main loop section sends and receives radio waves. The main loop section is a metal foil and has the shape of a long thin loop. The area of the main loop section is smaller than the area of a dielectric substrate. The main loop section covers part of surfaces of the dielectric substrate and part of sides of the dielectric substrate so as to put the dielectric substrate inside the loop. The main loop section is mounted in a horizontal direction of the dielectric substrate. Each of capacitive load sections is a metal foil and has a load corresponding to a capacitance component. The capacitive load sections are located at both end portions of the main loop section which covers part of the front side of the dielectric substrate and are located at both end portions of the main loop section which covers part of the reverse side of the dielectric substrate. A control unit is connected to the main loop section and controls information via the radio

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## (54) ANTENNA WITH DUAL BAND LUMPED ELEMENT IMPEDANCE MATCHING

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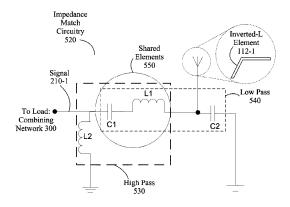
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

An antenna includes a first antenna element and a second antenna element. The first antenna element and the second antenna element are both configured to receive signals in a first band of frequencies and in a second band of frequencies. Frequencies in the second band of frequencies are greater than frequencies in the first band of frequencies. A first impedance matching circuit, coupled to the first antenna element, includes a first plurality of filters having a first shared component. A second impedance matching circuit, coupled to the second antenna element, includes a second plurality of filters having a second shared component. A feed network circuit is coupled to the first impedance matching circuit and to the second impedance matching circuit and has a combined output corresponding to the signals received by the first antenna element and a second antenna element.

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#### (54) ANTENNAS WITH POLARIZATION DIVERSITY

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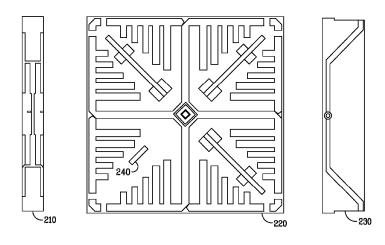
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#### ABSTRACT

A horizontally polarized antenna array allows for the efficient distribution of RF energy into a communications environment through selectable antenna elements and redirectors that create a particular radiation pattern such as a substantially omnidirectional radiation pattern. In conjunction with a vertically polarized array, a particular high-gain wireless environment may be created such that one environment does not interfere with other nearby wireless environments and avoids interference created by those other environments. Lower gain patterns may also be created by using particular configurations of a horizontal and/or vertical antenna array. In a preferred embodiment, the antenna systems disclosed herein are utilized in a multiple-input, multiple-output (MIMO) wireless environment.

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## (54) ARRAY ANTENNA AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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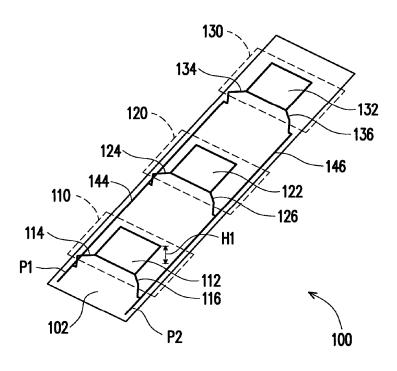
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

An array antenna and an electronic apparatus using the array antenna are provided. The array antenna includes a plurality of antenna units, a first connection line, and a second connection line. Each of the antenna units includes a rectangular radiation region, a first feeding line and a second feeding line. The first and second feeding lines are connected to two adjacent feeding corners of the rectangular radiation region. The first connection line and the second connection line are disposed at two sides of the antenna unit for connection with the other ends of the first feeding line and the second feeding line, respectively.

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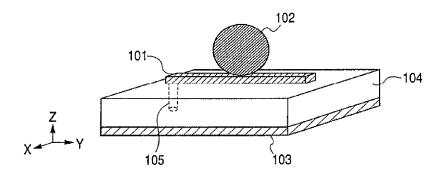
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

An antenna device for operating in a predetermined frequency band has a resonator section, a semiconductor section and an antenna section. The resonator section includes a first conductor section, a dielectric section, and a second conductor section for specifying a reference potential against each section which is arranged so as to oppose the first conductor section through the dielectric section. A semiconductor section is arranged so as to be sandwiched between the first conductor section and the second conductor section. The antenna section uses the second conductor section as a grounding conductor, is substantially spherical, makes at least its surface electroconductive, and is arranged on the first conductor section.

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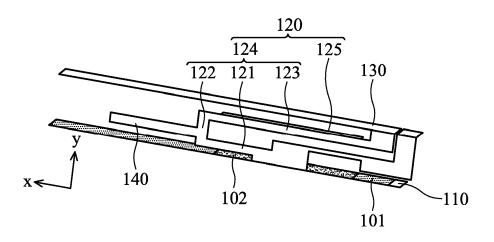
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#### ABSTRACT (57)

An antenna comprises a ground element, a transmission element, a conductive element and a coupling element. The conductive element connects the ground element and the transmission element. The coupling element extends from the conductive element substantially parallel to the transmission element, wherein the coupling element is located on a first plane, the transmission element is located on a second plane, and the second plane is parallel to the first plane.

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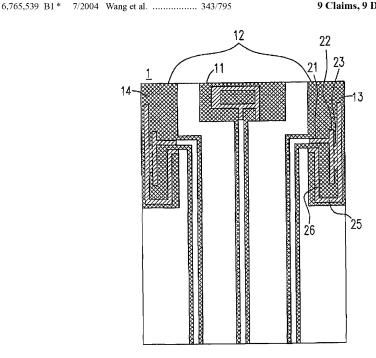
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a wireless transmit/receive unit, comprising a feeding connecting line, a first radiating line, a second radiating line, a third radiating line and a fourth radiating line, wherein the third radiating line is longer than the first radiating line and the first radiating line is longer than the second radiating line that provides different current paths for getting a broader bandwidth. The first, second and third radiating lines are connected parallel for enhancing an antenna pattern being perpendicular thereto, and form a series capacity between the first and the third radiating lines. The fourth radiating line vertically connects between the third radiating line and a grounding line for forming a grounding capacity. The printed antenna can be reduced in size by the effect of the two capacities. The wireless transmit/receive unit can provide a better isolation with others by the direction enforced pattern and the reduced size.

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## (54) MICRO-STRIP ANTENNA WITH L-SHAPED BAND-STOP FILTER

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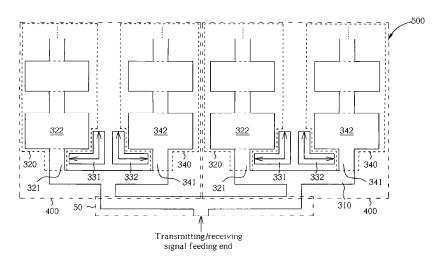
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A micro-strip antenna includes an L-shaped coupler, a set of micro-strip antennas, and an L-shaped band-stop filter. The set of micro-strip antennas includes at least one rectangular micro-strip antenna unit and a micro-strip line. The rectangular micro-strip antenna unit is coupled to the micro-strip line. The micro-strip line is coupled to the first end of the coupler. The band-stop filter is disposed along a corner of the rectangular micro-strip antenna unit, and is disposed between the antenna unit and the coupler without being physically connected to the antenna unit and the coupler. The width, length, and position of the L-shaped band-stop filter can be determined for the specific band-stop frequency and to optimize its coupling extent with the L-shaped coupler.

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#### (54) ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVE RECEPTION AND DECODING SYSTEM PROVIDED WITH A COMPACT ANTENNA

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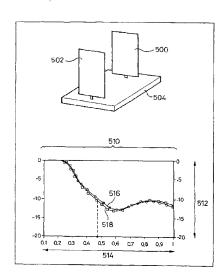
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a data transmission system comprising an antenna provided with a monopole radiating element held in place by an earth plane provided with a conducting surface. According to the invention, the radiating element is located facing the surface of the earth plane so as to interact with the latter in order to improve its performance.

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#### (54) HANDHELD ELECTRONIC DEVICE WITH **CABLE GROUNDING**

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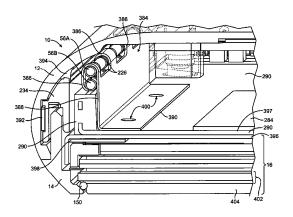
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#### ABSTRACT

A handheld electronic device may be provided that contains a conductive housing and other conductive elements. The conductive elements may form an antenna ground plane. One or more antennas for the handheld electronic device may be formed from the ground plane and one or more associated antenna resonating elements. Transceiver circuitry may be connected to the resonating elements by transmission lines such as coaxial cables. Ferrules may be crimped to the coaxial cables. A bracket with extending members may be crimped over the ferrules to ground the coaxial cables to the housing and other conductive elements in the ground plane. The ground plane may contain an antenna slot. A dock connector and flex circuit may overlap the slot in a way that does not affect the resonant frequency of the slot. Electrical components may be isolated from the antenna using isolation elements such as inductors and resistors.

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## (54) ULTRA-WIDE BAND ANTENNA AND PLUG-AND-PLAY DEVICE USING THE SAME

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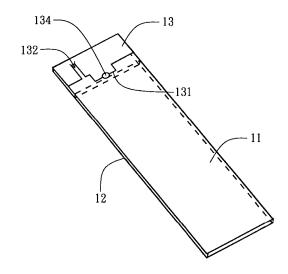
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

An ultra-wide band (UWB) antenna and a plug-and-play (PnP) device using the same are provided. A dielectric substrate of the PnP device has a ground plane. The UWB antenna includes a radiating metal plate and a feeding portion. The radiating metal plate is in a non-ground region of the dielectric substrate and has at least a slit cut. An opening of the slit cut is at the edge of the radiating metal plate facing the ground plane. The feeding portion is also at the edge of the radiating metal plate facing the ground plate for feeding a signal to the antenna.

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### (54) ANTENNA FOR WWAN AND INTEGRATED ANTENNA FOR WWAN, GPS AND WLAN

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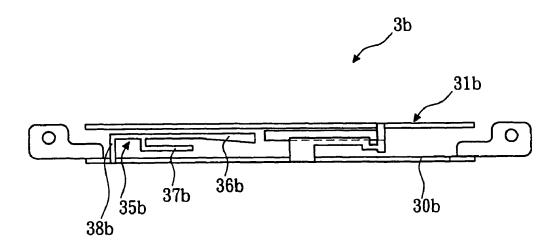
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(57) ABSTRACT

An integrated antenna for WWAN, GPS, and WLAN includes a ground metal plane, a WWAN antenna, and a WLAN antenna. The WWAN antenna is connected to the ground metal plane and includes first and second radiating metal strips which induce a first resonance mode and a second resonance mode respectively. The WLAN antenna is connected to the ground metal plane and includes third and fourth radiating metal strips which induce a third resonance mode and a fourth resonance mode respectively. The integrated antenna can be used in WWAN and WLAN at the same time. The ground metal plane of the integrated antenna does not need to connect to a ground end of a wireless electronic device, and is used for grounding. Therefore, the integrated antenna can be mounted on any part of a wireless electronic device, and can have stable electrical characteristics.

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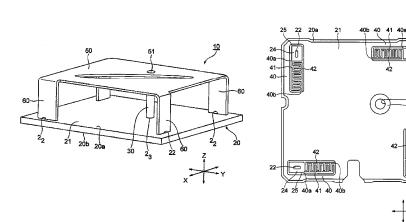
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#### (57) ABSTRACT

An antenna apparatus includes: a circuit board that has a main surface and a rear surface opposite to each other; an antenna element that is formed of a metal plate and is arranged at a predetermined distance from the main surface of the circuit board; a plurality of legs that extend from the antenna element toward the circuit board; a ground conductor that is formed on the main surface or the rear surface of the circuit board; a feeding pin that supplies power from the circuit board to the antenna element; and a plurality of comb-shaped capacitor patterns that are formed on one of or both the main surface and the rear surface of the circuit board and are electrically connected between the plurality of legs and the ground conduc-

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#### (54) HANDHELD ELECTRONIC DEVICES WITH ISOLATED ANTENNAS

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#### ABSTRACT (57)

Handheld electronic devices are provided that contain wireless communications circuitry having at least first and second antennas. An antenna isolation element reduces signal interference between the antennas, so that the antennas may be used in close proximity to each other. A planar ground element may be used as a ground by the first and second antennas. The first antenna may be formed using a hybrid planarinverted-F and slot arrangement in which a planar resonating element is located above a rectangular slot in the planar ground element. The second antenna may be formed from an L-shaped strip. The planar resonating element of the first antenna may have first and second arms. The first arm may resonate at a common frequency with the second antenna and may serve as the isolation element. The second arm may resonate at approximately the same frequency as the slot portion of the hybrid antenna.

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