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(54) RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION TAG AND RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION TAG ANTENNA

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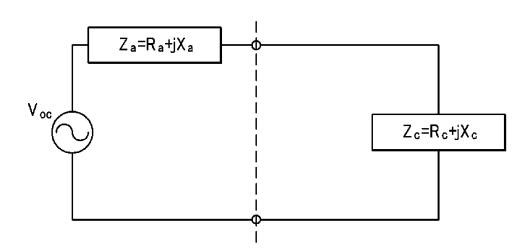
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(57) ABSTRACT

An RFID tag includes an antenna and a chip, and the antenna includes a first polygonal dielectric material, first and second microstrip lines partially formed in the first dielectric material, a second polygonal dielectric material stacked on the first dielectric material, and a third microstrip line partially formed in the second dielectric material. According to the present invention, the RFID tag can efficiently receive electromagnetic waves to thereby maximize a readable range.

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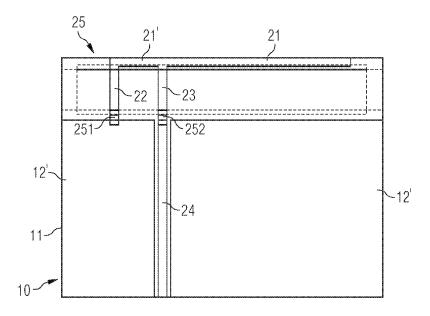
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(57) ABSTRACT

A device having an electric antenna and a magnetic antenna is described, the antennas being spatially arranged in immediate mutual proximity. The electric antenna has at least one current-carrying electric conductor which acts as a resonator for the electric antenna, while the magnetic antenna has a coil with at least one current-carrying conductor loop which acts as an inductor of the magnetic antenna. Thus the electric antenna and the magnetic antenna are spatially arranged relative to each other such that the direction of the current in the electric conductor of the electric antenna extends substantially at right angles to the direction of the current in the conductor loop of the magnetic antenna.

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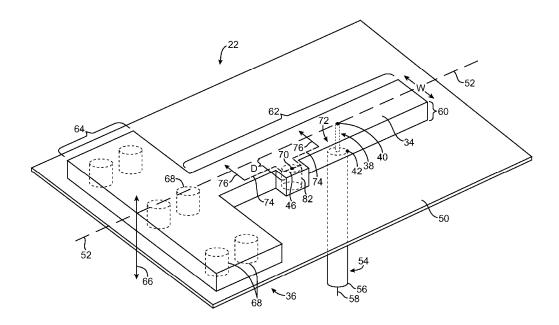
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(57) ABSTRACT

An inverted-F antenna is provided that has a resonating element arm and a ground element. A shorting branch of the resonating element arm shorts the resonating element arm to the ground element. An antenna feed that receives a transmission line is coupled to the resonating element arm and the ground element. One or more impedance discontinuity structures are formed along the resonating element arm at locations that are between the shorting branch and the antenna feed. The impedance discontinuity structures may include shorting structures and capacitance discontinuity structures. The impedance discontinuity structures may be formed by off-axis vertical conductors such as vias that pass through a dielectric layer separating the antenna resonating element arm from the ground element. Capacitance discontinuity structures may be formed from hollowed portions of the dielectric or other dielectric portions with a dielectric constant that differs from that of the dielectric layer.

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(54) HYBRID ANTENNAS FOR ELECTRONIC

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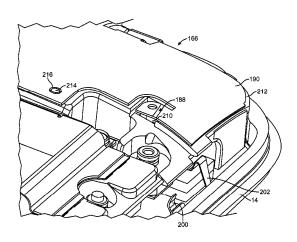
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(57) ABSTRACT

A portable electronic device is provided that has a hybrid antenna. The hybrid antenna may include a slot antenna structure and a planar inverted-F antenna structure. The planar inverted-F antenna structure may be formed from traces on a flex circuit substrate. A backside trace may form a series capacitance for the planar inverted-F antenna structure. The antenna slot may have a perimeter that is defined by the location of conductive structures such as flex circuits, metal housing structures, a conductive bezel, printed circuit board ground conductors, and electrical components. Springs may be used in electrically connecting these conductive elements. A spring-loaded pin may be used as part of an antenna feed conductor. The pin may connect a transmission line path on a printed circuit board to the planar inverted-F antenna structure while allowing the planar inverted-F antenna structure to be removed from the device for rework or repair.

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(54) ANTENNA STRUCTURE FOR PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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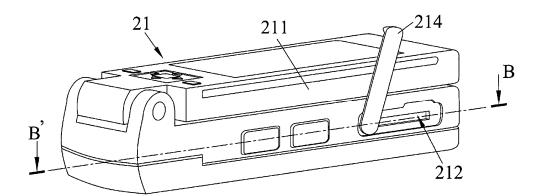
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna structure for portable electronic device includes an antenna and an electrical connection element. The portable electronic device includes a main body, a slotted section, a shaft, and a slot cover. The slot cover is coupled to the main body via the shaft, and the slot cover is located on the slotted section. The antenna is disposed on the slot cover, and the electrical connection element is coupled to the shaft and a printed circuit board mounted in the main body, so that the antenna is electrically coupled via the electrical connection element to the printed circuit board. Since the antenna disposed on the slot cover is not parallel with the printed circuit board, a clearance distance required between the antenna and the printed circuit board can be reduced to enable reduction of a volume of the portable electronic device.

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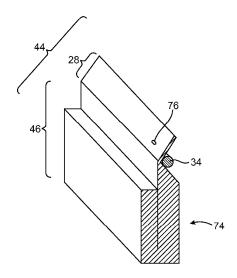
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(57) ABSTRACT

A cavity antenna for an electronic device such as a portable computer is provided. The antenna may be formed from a conductive cavity and an antenna probe that serves as an antenna feed. The conductive cavity may have the shape of a folded rectangular cavity. A dielectric support structure may be used in forming the antenna cavity. A fin may protrude from one end of the dielectric support structure. The antenna probe may be formed from conductive structures mounted on the fin. An inverted-F antenna configuration or other antenna configuration may be used in forming the antenna probe. The electronic device may have a housing with conductive walls. When the cavity antenna mounted within an electronic device, a planar rectangular end face of the fin may protrude through a thin rectangular opening in the conductive walls to allow the antenna to operate without being blocked by the housing.

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(54) HYBRID DUAL DIPOLE SINGLE SLOT ANTENNA FOR MIMO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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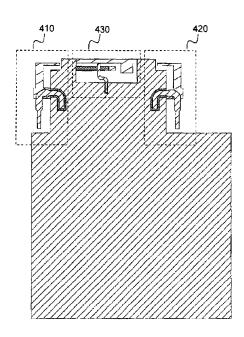
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna arrangement implemented within a printed circuit board (PCB) having three metal coplanar layers, for use in multiple input multiple output (MIMO) communication systems. The antenna arrangement comprises a first dipole antenna and second dipole antenna, substantially symmetrical to the first dipole antenna a slot antenna positioned substantially between the first and the second dipole antennas. The antenna arrangement is implemented in three coplanar metal layers. The antennas are used for MIMO communication systems, specifically complying with IEEE 802.11n and are shaped such that their combined radiation pattern exhibits a substantially omni-directional radiation pattern.

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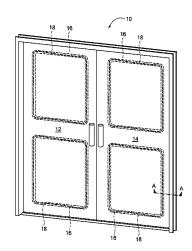
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A door and method of constructing a door whereby a security system antenna is routed through channels that are incorporated within the outer perimeter of the door, and completely or partially hidden from sight. The channels are sized to retain at least a portion of the security system antenna therein. The door can be purchased with the antenna wires already embedded therein and hidden from sight and installed at a facility without the need to mount the antenna wires on a pedestal or dig up floors and/or walls to embed the antenna coils. Existing doors can be retrofitted to install the antenna wires. Such antennas may be used, for example, in an RFID marker system or a magneto-acoustic EAS marker system.

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(54) ANTENNA USING ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE INK AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

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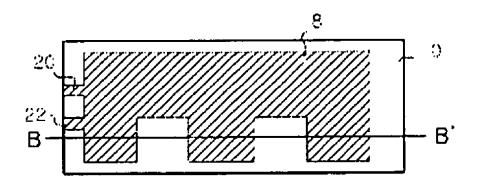
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(57) ABSTRACT

Disclosed is an antenna having an antenna radiator formed by printing electrically conductive ink on a substrate. An antenna radiator according to an embodiment of the present invention is formed to the same thickness as a skin depth with respect to an operation frequency of the antenna. Therefore, an antenna can be fabricated using a small amount of electrically conductive ink while not reducing the gain of the antenna. Further, an antenna radiator according to another embodiment of the present invention is formed to the same thickness as a skin depth with respect to a predetermined frequency at a corresponding hot spot with respect to the frequency. Accordingly, an amount of electrically conductive ink used can be further reduced while maintaining the gain of the antenna.

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(12) United States Patent De Vita

(54) CIRCULARLY POLARIZED PATCH ANTENNA WITH SINGLE SUPPLY POINT

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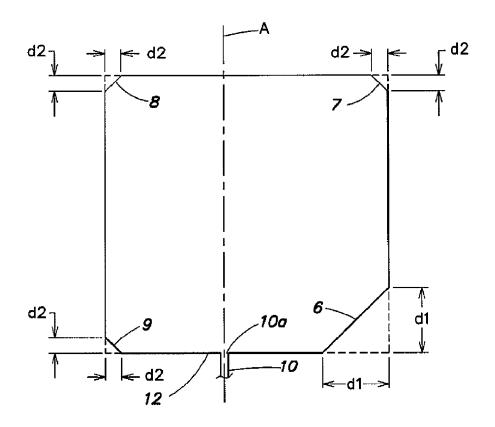
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An antenna for circularly polarized radiation having a lamina of electrically conductive material with a generally square shape and a first chamfer on a first vertex of the generally square shape. The chamfer determines an asymmetrical shape of the lamina.

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(12) United States Patent Chou

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(54) MINIATURE ANTENNA

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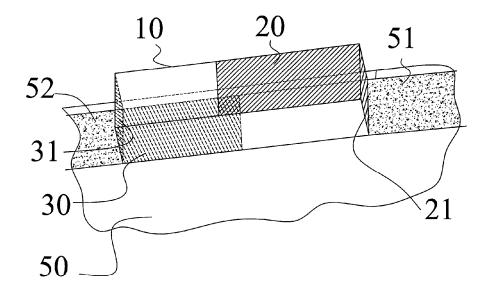
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(57) ABSTRACT

The present invention discloses a miniature antenna that has a simple structure, compact dimension and high efficiency. The miniature antenna is comprised of a dielectric element made of a dielectric material, having a first surface and a second surface opposite to the first surface, a first electrode layer being laid on the first surface, and a second electrode layer being laid on the second surface. The first electrode layer connected to a signal feeding line and the second electrode layer, connected to a ground plane, are partially overlapped to form a region that functions as a capacitor. Thereby, the miniature antenna can transmit and receive signals. The capacitance and resonant frequency of the miniature antenna can be adjusted via varying the pattern of the electrode layers, varying the thickness or permittivity of the dielectric element or via varying the size of the overlapping areas of the two electrode layers.

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(12) United States Patent Copeland

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(54) SWITCHABLE PATCH ANTENNA FOR RFID SHELF READER SYSTEM

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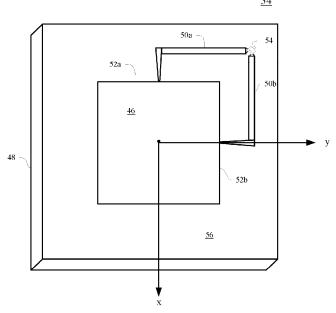
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57) ABSTRACT

A switchable patch antenna includes a ground plane, a metal patch, at least two feed lines and a switch. The metal patch is positioned adjacent, but not in contact with, the ground plane. Each feed line is electrically connected to the metal patch. Each feed line is substantially orthogonal to at least one other feed line. The switch is electrically connected to the at least two feed lines. The switch is operable to sequentially select between the at least two feed lines for exciting the switchable patch antenna.

20 Claims, 10 Drawing Sheets



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(12) United States Patent Chien et al.

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(54) DUAL-BAND ANTENNA

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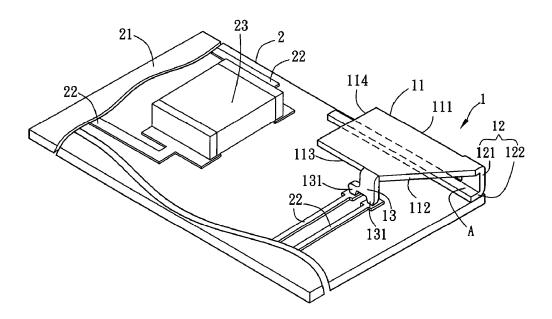
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(57)ABSTRACT

A dual-band antenna is disposed on a substrate having an antenna-mounted surface. The dual-band antenna includes a first radiating unit, a second radiating unit, and a feeding terminal. The first radiating unit is disposed opposite to the antenna-mounted surface of the substrate, and at least has a first side, a second side and, a third side. The first side is opposite to the third side, and the length of the first side is not equal to that of the third side. The second side is connected to the first side and the third side. The second radiating unit is connected to the first side of the first radiating unit. The feeding terminal is connected to the third side of the first radiating unit and the antenna-mounted surface of the substrate.

20 Claims, 4 Drawing Sheets





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(54) HYBRID ANTENNAS FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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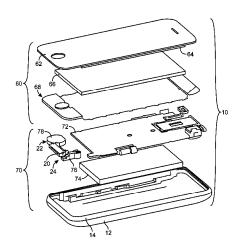
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ABSTRACT

A portable electronic device is provided that has a hybrid antenna. The hybrid antenna may include a slot antenna structure and an inverted-F antenna structure. The slot antenna portion of the hybrid antenna may be used to provide antenna coverage in a first communications band and the inverted-F antenna portion of the hybrid antenna may be used to provide antenna coverage in a second communications band. The second communications band need not be harmonically related to the first communications band. The electronic device may be formed from two portions. One portion may contain conductive structures that define the shape of the antenna slot. One or more dielectric-filled gaps in the slot may be bridged using conductive structures on another portion of the electronic device. A conductive trim member may be inserted into an antenna slot to trim the resonant frequency of the slot antenna portion of the hybrid antenna.

28 Claims, 22 Drawing Sheets





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(12) United States Patent Man et al.

(54) MOBILE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS

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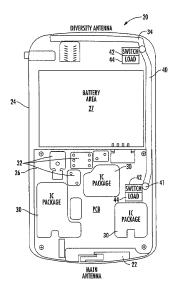
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(57) ABSTRACT

A mobile wireless communications device has a portable handheld housing. A circuit board is carried by the portable handheld housing. RP circuitry is carried by the circuit board. A diversity antenna and main antenna are carried by the portable handheld housing and coupled to the RF circuitry and operative together. The RF circuitry tunes the diversity antenna into a diversity communications frequency band to achieve a diversity mode of operation with the main antenna and tunes the diversity antenna into a non-diversity communications frequency band when cross-coupling has occurred from the diversity antenna to the main antenna when operating in the diversity communications frequency band. A switch is carried by the portable handheld housing and connected to the RF circuitry and coupled between the diversity and main antennae and disconnects the diversity antenna when operating in the non-diversity band to prevent cross-coupling from the diversity antenna to the main antenna.

20 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets





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(54) MULTI-BAND ANTENNA

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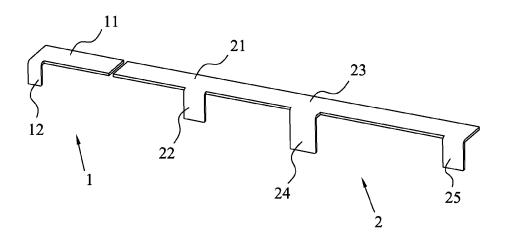
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(57) ABSTRACT

A multi-band antenna has a strip-shaped first radiating portion disposed levelly. An end of a long side of the first radiating portion is extended downwardly to form a first grounding portion. A strip-shaped second radiating portion is disposed in alignment with and spaced from the first radiating portion. A long side of the second radiating portion is extended downwards to form a feeding portion at an end thereof away from the first radiating portion. A third radiating portion, which is stretched levelly and oppositely from an end of the second radiating portion adjacent to the feeding portion, is longer than the second radiating portion and has a long side extended downwardly to form a fixing portion adjacent to a free end thereof. The feeding portion and the fixing portion are located at the same side as the first grounding portion with respect to the first, second and third radiating portion.

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(54) ANTENNA STRUCTURE

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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna structure consists of a substrate, a radiation element, a signal feeding element, and a grounding element. The radiation element includes a first radiator and a second radiator coupled to the first radiator, wherein the first radiator is identical to the second radiator. The signal feeding element is coupled to a joint of the first radiator and the second radiator, wherein the first radiator and the second radiator are symmetrically disposed in the left and right sides of the signal feeding element to permute an array. The grounding element includes a first grounding sub-element and a second grounding sub-element, wherein the first grounding sub-element is coupled between the first radiator and the substrate and the second grounding sub-element is coupled between the second radiator and the substrate. The first grounding sub-element is identical to the second grounding sub-element is

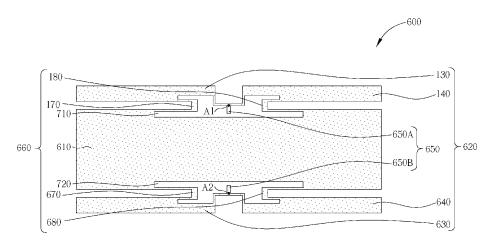
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(54) PROGRAMMABLE ANTENNA WITH PROGRAMMABLE IMPEDANCE MATCHING AND METHODS FOR USE THEREWITH

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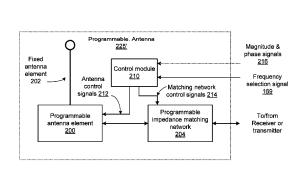
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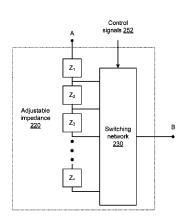
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(57)ABSTRACT

A programmable antenna includes a fixed antenna element and a programmable antenna element that is tunable in response to at least one antenna control signal, wherein tuning the programmable antenna element changes an impedance of the antenna. A programmable impedance matching network is tunable in response in response to at least one matching network control signal to adjust for the changes in the impedance of the antenna.

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(12) United States Patent Vance

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(54) COMMUNICATIONS STRUCTURES INCLUDING ANTENNAS WITH FILTERS BETWEEN ANTENNA ELEMENTS AND GROUND SHEETS

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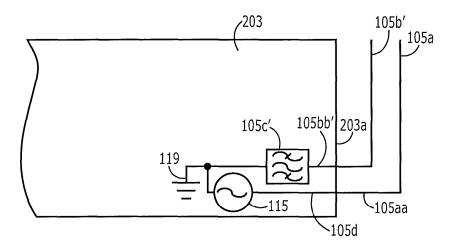
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(57) ABSTRACT

A communications structure may include a ground sheet, a feed conductor, and an active antenna branch electrically coupled to the feed conductor. A parasitic antenna branch may be electrically coupled to the ground sheet, and the active and parasitic antenna branches may be spaced apart. Moreover, the parasitic antenna branch may be between portions of the active antenna branch and the ground sheet.

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(54) MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATION TERMINAL

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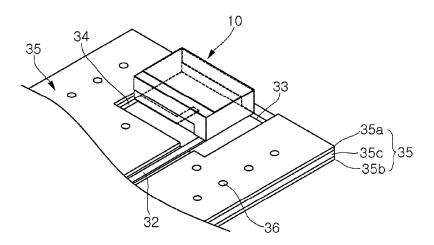
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(57) ABSTRACT

There is provided a mobile telecommunication terminal comprising: a chip antenna, and a printed circuit board having the chip antenna mounted on one surface thereof, the printed circuit board comprising a tuning ground pattern formed on a surface opposing the one surface of the printed circuit board to have one end connected to a ground part so as to be used for tuning frequency characteristics of the chip antenna.

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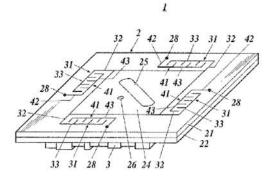
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(57)ABSTRACT

Disclosed is an antenna apparatus, including: a multi-layer substrate having at least two substrates in a stacking manner and having a first through hole; an amplifying circuit on one face of the multi-layer substrate; a ground pattern formed between two adjacent substrates of the multi-layer substrate; an antenna pattern formed on the other face of the multi-layer substrate; and a first comb electrode having comb teeth and a second comb electrode having comb teeth, both of which are formed around the antenna pattern on the other face of the multi-layer substrate. The first comb electrode is electrically connected to the antenna pattern. The second comb electrode is electrically connected to the ground pattern through the first through hole. The comb teeth of the first comb electrode and the comb teeth of the second comb electrode are spaced from one another at predetermined intervals in a staggered manner.

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(12) United States Patent Baliarda et al.

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(54) SLOTTED GROUND-PLANE USED AS A SLOT ANTENNA OR USED FOR A PIFA ANTENNA

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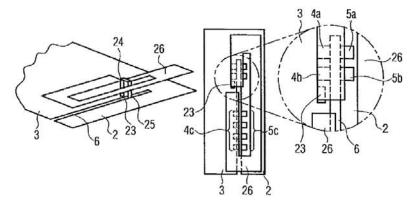
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(57)ABSTRACT

A wireless device includes a ground plane with at least two portions. On each of the at least two portions at least one connecting means is provided. The two connecting means are connected with an electric component for connecting the at least two portions of the ground plane. The ground plane is partially covered with an insulating material and the connecting means are given by a part of the ground plane which is not covered by any insulating material.

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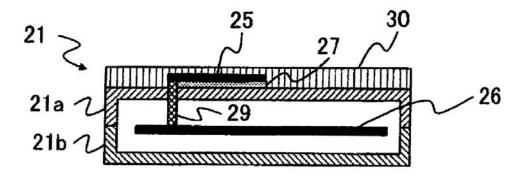
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(57)ABSTRACT

A wireless communication device includes: a case made of a first dielectric material; a cover made of a second dielectric material which covers an outer surface of the case; a wireless communication circuit which is housed in the case; an antenna element made of a conductive material and provided on the outer surface of the case between the case and the cover, the antenna element being electrically connected to the wireless communication circuit by a connection member that penetrates the case; and an adhesive layer which is disposed between the antenna element and the case to adhere the antenna element onto the case, the adhesive layer being made of a third dielectric material.

9 Claims, 4 Drawing Sheets





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(12) United States Patent Kagaya et al.

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(54) HIGH FREQUENCY WAVE GLASS ANTENNA FOR AN AUTOMOBILE AND WINDOW GLASS SHEET FOR AN AUTOMOBILE WITH THE SAME

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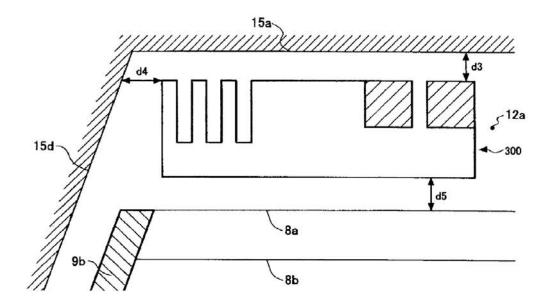
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(57) ABSTRACT

A high frequency wave glass antenna for an automobile includes an antenna conductor formed in a loop shape and disposed in or an automobile window glass sheet, the antenna conductor having a discontinuity and feeding portions at both ends of the discontinuity or in the vicinity of said both ends, the discontinuity being formed of a portion of the loop shape cut by a length. The antenna conductor includes a detour in a portion of the loop shape, the detour being formed of a single or a plurality of detour elements, the detour being disposed in a position, which satisfies that a rate of a distance from a center of the discontinuity of the original loop shape to a center of the detour of the original loop shape with respect to a length of an inner peripheral edge or an outer peripheral edge of the original loop shape ranges from 0.18 to 0.4.

27 Claims, 12 Drawing Sheets





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(54) SLOT ANTENNA FOR A CIRCUIT BOARD GROUND PLANE

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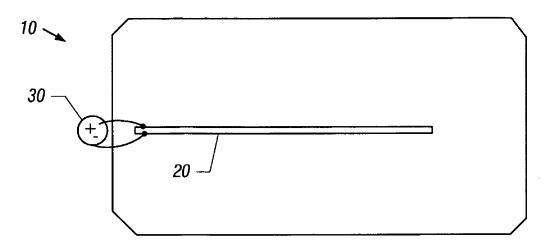
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Primary Examiner — Huedung Mancuso

ABSTRACT

In one embodiment, the present invention includes a slot antenna that is formed on a ground plane of a circuit board. The slot antenna may be connected to radio circuitry adapted on the circuit board by way of a feedline, which is coupled to the radio circuitry and across a portion of the slot antenna.

21 Claims, 4 Drawing Sheets





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(54) MULTI-BAND HAC COMPATIBLE ANTENNA

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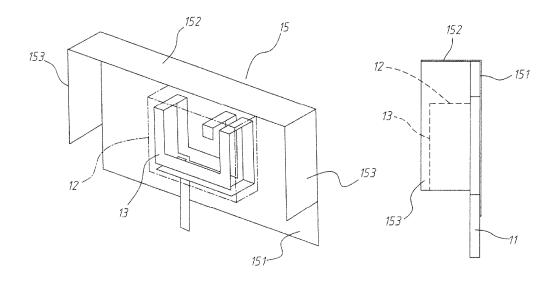
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ABSTRACT

A multi-band HAC compatible antenna module having a metal shield arranged around the built-in antenna for resonant coupling with the antenna to lower electromagnetic interference and to improves hearing aids compatibility characteristic. When compared with a reference antenna without metal shield, the multi-band HAC compatible antenna module shows 3 dB~4 dB HAC improvement in GSM850 and GSM900, and 1 dB HAC improvement in DCS and PCS bands.

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(54) HANDHELD DEVICE WITH TWO ANTENNAS, AND METHOD OF ENHANCING THE ISOLATION BETWEEN THE ANTENNAS

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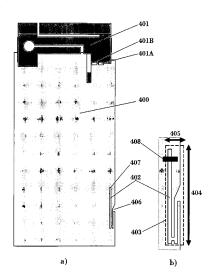
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(57) ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a handheld device comprising a first antenna (401, 701, 901, 931, 961, 1101, 1151, 1301, 1501) arranged to operate in at least a first frequency band, and a second antenna (402, 702, 902, 1102, 1302, 1502, 2210) arranged to operate in at least a second frequency band, wherein said second frequency band is different from said first frequency band. According to the invention, the second antenna comprises a slot antenna comprising at least one slot in at least one conductive layer. The invention also relates to enhancement of the isolation between first and second antennas in a handheld device.

49 Claims, 23 Drawing Sheets





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(12) United States Patent Takeguchi et al.

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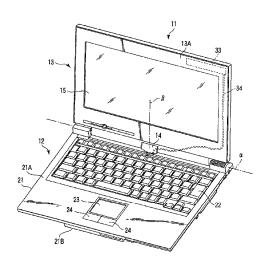
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(57) ABSTRACT

According to one embodiment, an electronic device is provided with the following an antenna, a first radio module configured to perform wireless communications by use of the antenna, a second radio module configured to perform wireless communications by use of the antenna, a first printed circuit board with reference to which the second radio module is attachable or detachable, a first cable which connects the antenna and the second radio module together, a second cable which connects the second radio module and the first radio module together, and a connection mechanism which connects the first and second cables together in a state where the second radio module is detached from the first printed circuit board.

7 Claims, 10 Drawing Sheets





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(12) United States Patent Takasu

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(54) ELECTRONIC APPARATUS AND ANTENNA LINIT

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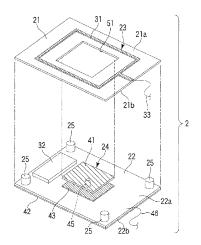
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(57) ABSTRACT

According to one embodiment, an electronic apparatus includes a housing, a first board contained in the housing, a second board contained in the housing on the inner side of the first board, a first antenna part, and a second antenna part. The first antenna part includes a loop antenna provided on the first board, and configured to communicate with a communication module opposed to the loop antenna. The second antenna part includes an element part provided in an area surrounded by the loop antenna, and positioned in the same plane as the loop antenna, and a ground part provided on the second board, and configured to communicate with a communication module opposed to the element part.

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(54) MULTI-BAND ANTENNA WITH IMPROVED CONNECTING PORTION

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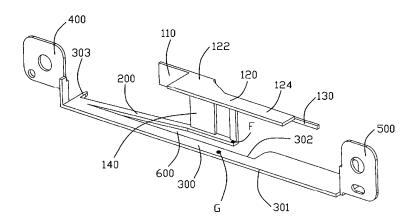
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(57) ABSTRACT

A multi-band antenna includes a grounding element located on a first plane, a connecting element extending from the grounding element to form a slot between the connecting element and the grounding element, a conductive portion extending from the connecting element, a first radiating portion, a second radiating portion, and a third radiating portion. The first radiating portion is narrower than the conductive portion and extends from an end of the conductive portion along a first direction. The second radiating portion is connected to the first radiating portion and extends along a second direction opposite to the first direction. The third radiating portion is narrower than the first radiating portion and extends from an end of the connecting element.

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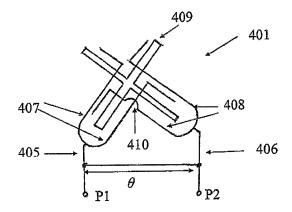
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ABSTRACT

A dual polarized antenna element having improved antenna isolation is disclosed by the present invention. The antenna element includes a first feeder for feeding the antenna element in a first polarization direction, and a second feeder for feeding the antenna element in a second polarization direction. According to the present invention, a compensation line is arranged between the first and the second feeders for compensating for an imbalance caused by an essentially capacitive coupling between the first and second feeders. The compensation line is connected to the first and second feeders in close proximity to a radiating part of said antenna element, and has a short electrical length θ and a high impedance relative to an impedance of the first and second feeders, respectively, thereby giving the compensation line an essentially inductive character.

10 Claims, 10 Drawing Sheets





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(54) ANTENNA FORMED WITH CASE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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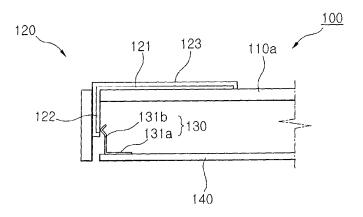
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(57) ABSTRACT

There are provided an antenna integrally formed with a case and a method of manufacturing the same. An antenna integrally formed with a case according to an aspect of the invention includes: a case unit forming an exterior of an electronic device, a radiator comprising a radiation unit tightly fixed to an outer surface of the case unit and terminal units each extending from an end portion of the radiation unit, passing through the case unit, and exposed on the inside of the case unit, and contact pins provided on a board disposed in an interior space of the case unit and electrically connected to the individual terminal units.

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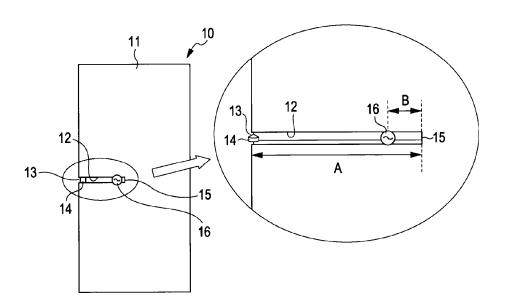
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ABSTRACT

A notch antenna includes a ground conductor having a slit and a reactance circuit containing a capacitive reactance element and an inductive reactance element, the reactance circuit being placed at an open end of the slit so as to bridge the slit and being connected to the ground conductor. The slit has a closed end to which power is supplied, and the capacitance of the capacitive reactance element and the inductance of the inductive reactance element are set so that the reactance circuit has a capacitance desired to obtain a first antenna resonance point at a first frequency and a capacitance desired to obtain a second antenna resonance point at a second frequency.

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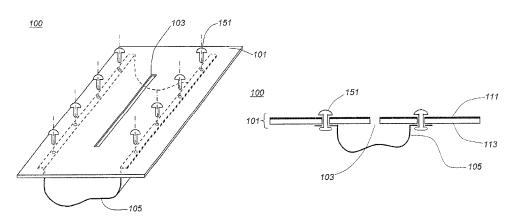
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ABSTRACT (57)

A transmission line slot antenna is described. Although more generally applicable, the antenna is particularly adapted to conformal applications. The antenna has a ground plate with a conductive top surface having a slot with a feed whose ground reference terminal is connected to one side of the slot and whose signal terminal is connected to the other side of the slot. A conductive cylindrical screen, which can be of an arbitrary cross section and non-uniform in the longitudinal direction, is formed of one or more sections attached along the bottom surface of the ground plate, with each of the sections having a first and second edge conductively connected to the top surface of the ground plate along opposite sides of the slot. The antenna is tuned to support the fundamental mode (H₀₀) of a slotted cylinder transmission line formed by the screen sections and a part of the ground plate with the slot.

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(54) COMPACT CONTINUOUS GROUND PLANE

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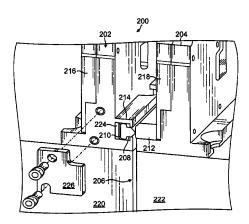
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ABSTRACT

A compact continuous ground plane system is provided. In one embodiment, the invention relates to an assembly for forming a continuous ground plane for an antenna having at least two elements configured to move relative to one another, the ground assembly including a first element having a housing, a plunger disposed within the housing, a second element, a wear plate coupled to the second element, and a spring disposed between the plunger and the housing, the spring configured to urge the plunger toward the wear plate, where the plunger is configured to be moved within the housing and to make electrical contact with the wear plate.

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ABSTRACT

A multifunctional antenna chip is able to mate with many kinds of matched circuits and is able to adjust the character of an antenna structure of the multifunctional antenna chip, in order that the antenna structure has one or multiple standard working frequencies. The antenna structure is a folded antenna structure basically; this can save its volume occupied. And the multifunctional antenna chip has a non-signal inputting pin for connection to thereby increase shape of the antenna for adjusting the style of the antenna structure designed.

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