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(54) **MOBILE TERMINAL**

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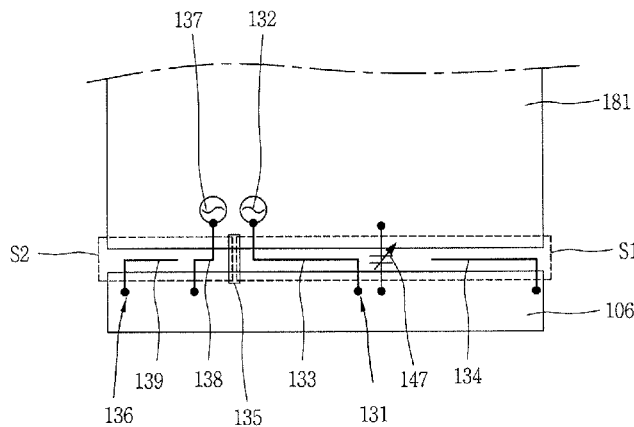
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A mobile terminal, comprising of a terminal body having a front surface, a rear surface, and side surfaces extending from end portions of the rear surface toward the front surface, the terminal body being made of a metal, a lower module coupled to a lower end of the terminal body and externally exposed to operate as a radiator of an antenna apparatus and a non-metal member interposed between the terminal body and the lower module and forming a slot by spacing the terminal body and the lower module apart from each other, and wherein the antenna apparatus comprises first and second antenna resonating different frequency bands wherein the first antenna and the second antenna comprise a first feeder and a second feeder, respectively, connected to a main printed circuit board provided in the terminal body and generating the electric fields in the first slot and the second slot, respectively, and wherein the lower module comprises first and second member and a connecting portion connecting end portions of the first and second members each other, and wherein the first member is

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(54) **ANTENNA ASSEMBLY AND SELF-CURING DECOUPLING METHOD FOR REDUCING MUTUAL COUPLING OF COUPLED ANTENNAS**

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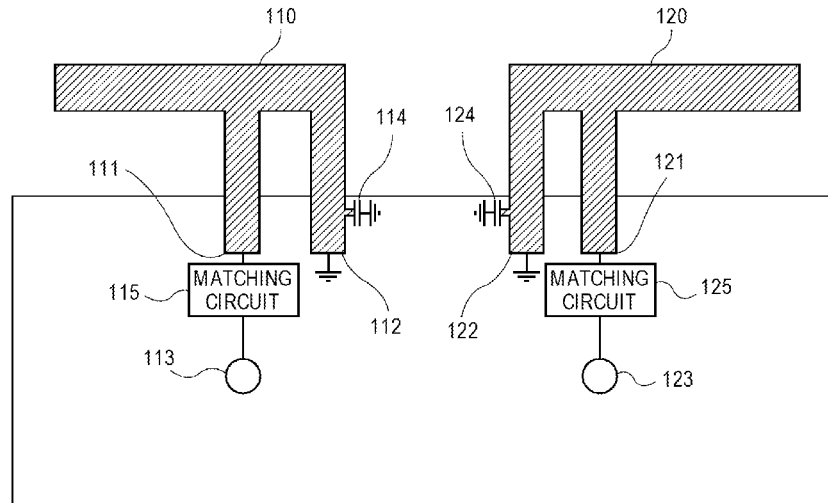
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The disclosure provides antenna assemblies and methods for reducing mutual coupling of coupled antennas. According to an embodiment, the antenna assembly, comprises: a first antenna; and a second antenna coupled with the first antenna; wherein a first capacitive load is provided to the first antenna at a first position of the first antenna so that a mutual coupling between the first antenna and the second antenna is reduced. According to the present disclosure, at least some of the following advantages may be achieved: 1) no any component that connects or structure between coupled antennas is required; 2) the capacitive load is very little frequency dependent so that the method is highly suitable for antenna decoupling at low frequencies; 3) the required capacitive load takes almost no space in the circuit layout; and 4) the load does not noticeably change antenna radiation patterns.

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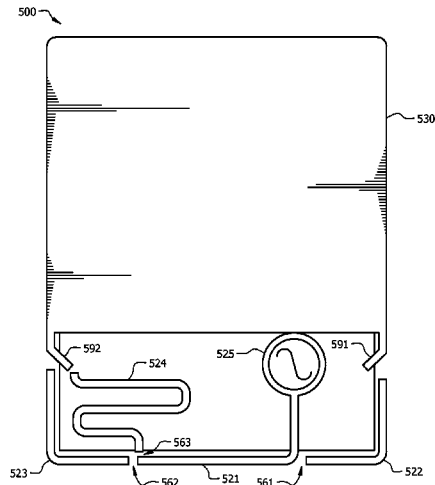
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An antenna comprising a main arm comprising conductive material, wherein the main arm is connected to a signal feed, and a first coupling arm comprising conductive material, wherein the first coupling arm is electrically coupled to a ground, and wherein the first coupling arm is electrically coupled to the main arm across a first span of nonconductive material. Also disclosed is a mobile node (MN) comprising a signal feed, a ground, and an antenna comprising a main arm comprising conductive material, wherein the main arm is connected to the signal feed, and a first coupling arm comprising conductive material, wherein the first coupling arm is connected to the ground, and wherein the first coupling arm is electrically coupled to the main arm across a first span of nonconductive material.

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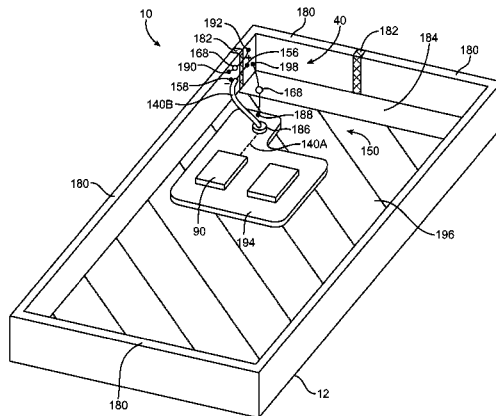
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(57) **ABSTRACT**
An electronic device has wireless communications circuitry including an adjustable antenna system coupled to a radio-frequency transceiver. The adjustable antenna system may include one or more adjustable electrical components that are controlled by storage and processing circuitry in the electronic device. The adjustable electrical components may include switches and components that can be adjusted between numerous different states. The adjustable electrical components may be coupled between antenna system components such as transmission line elements, matching network elements, antenna elements and antenna feeds. By (Continued)

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(54) **ANTENNA STRUCTURE AND WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE USING SAME**

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An antenna structure includes a metallic member, a first matching circuit, and a second matching circuit. The metallic member includes a front frame, a backboard, and a side frame. The side frame defines a slot. The front frame defines a first gap and a second gap communicating with the slot and extending across the front frame. A portion of the front frame between the first gap and the second gap forms a first radiating section. One end of the first feed portion connects to the first radiating section, the other end connects to a first feed source and a second feed source through an extractor of the first matching circuit; an end of the first radiating section adjacent to the second gap connects to a ground through an third inductor and an third capacitor of the second matching circuit. A wireless communication device using the antenna structure is provided.

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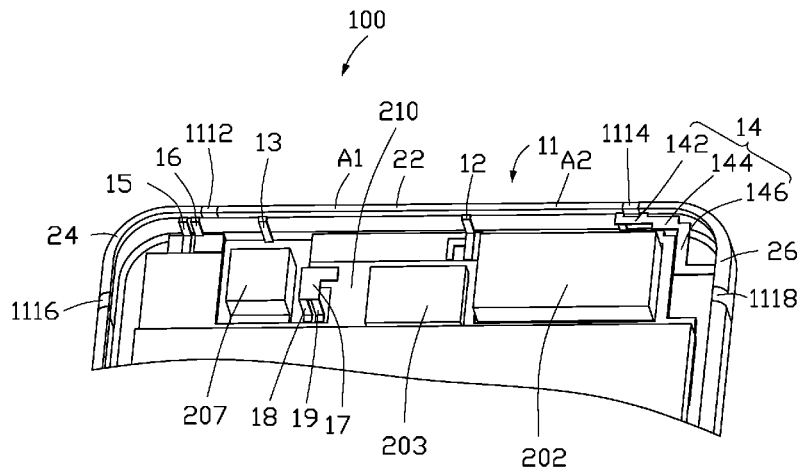
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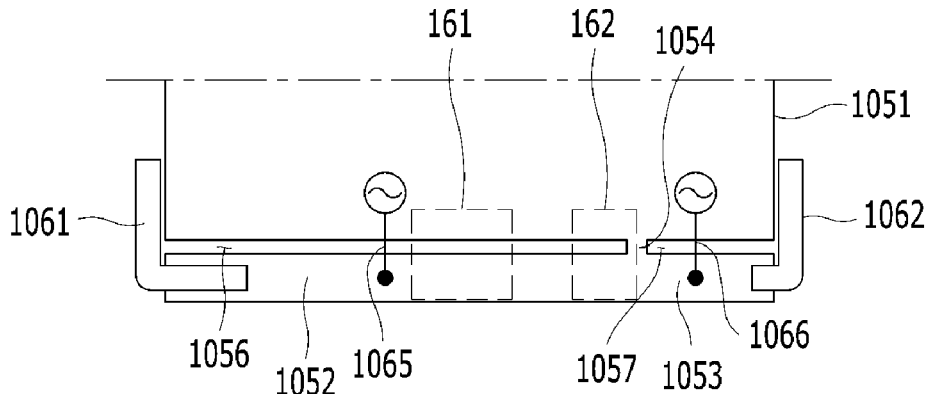
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(57) **ABSTRACT**
According to the present invention, a mobile terminal includes a main body including a front side with which a display unit is combined, a first antenna mounted on the main body, extended in a first direction and including a first slot of which one end is closed and another end is opened, a second antenna mounted on the main body, extended in a second direction corresponding to a direction opposite to the direction to which the first slot is extended and including a second slot of which one end is closed and another end is opened, a power supply unit mounted in the inside of the main body, a first feeder configured to supply power to the first antenna from the power supply unit and a second feeder configured to supply power to the second antenna from the power supply unit.

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(54) **COMMUNICATION ANTENNA, METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE SAME AND TERMINAL**

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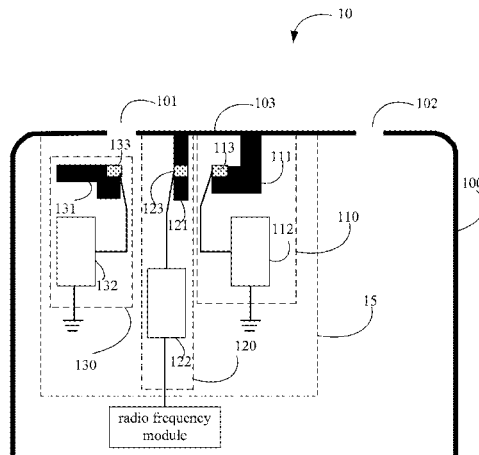
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A communication antenna, a method for controlling a communication antenna and a terminal are provided. The communication antenna includes a first passive unit, a stimulation receiving unit, and a second passive unit. The first passive unit and the second passive unit are respectively coupled to ground. The stimulation receiving unit is electrically coupled to a radio frequency module so as to receive an electrical signal transmitted by the radio frequency module. The first passive unit includes a regulating circuit that includes a switch, a controller, and a regulating assembly. The regulating assembly includes a plurality of electronic components. The controller is configured to control the switch to connect one or more electronic components of the regulating assembly to the circuit. The connected electronic components make the communication antenna resonate in one of a plurality of frequency ranges.

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(54) **WIRELESS COMMUNICATION UNIT,
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR
ANTENNA TUNING**

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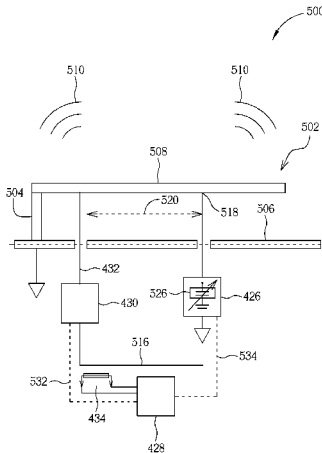
A wireless communication unit includes an antenna arrange-
ment; an aperture tuner operably coupled to a first port of the
antenna arrangement; a measurement circuit operably
coupled to an antenna input feed point of the antenna
arrangement and arranged to measure a parameter. A con-
troller, operably coupled to the aperture tuner, is arranged to
perform closed loop aperture tuning using the measured
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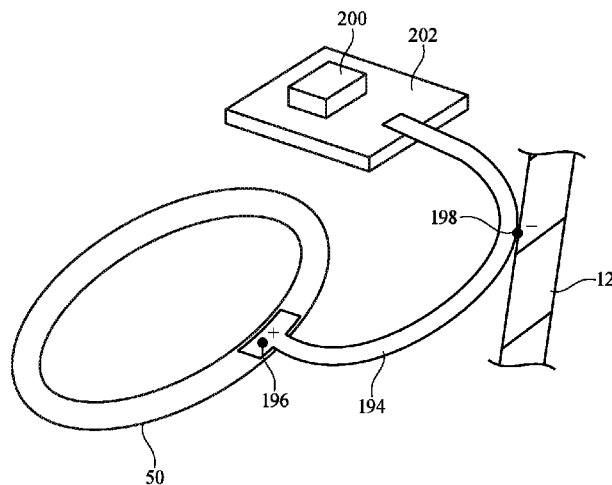
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(57) **ABSTRACT**
An electronic device such as a wristwatch may have a housing with metal portions such as metal sidewalls. The housing may form an antenna ground for an antenna. An antenna resonating element for the antenna may be formed from a stack of capacitively coupled component layers such as a display layer, touch sensor layer, and near-field communications antenna layer at a front face of the device. An additional antenna may be formed from a peripheral resonating element that runs along a peripheral edge of the device and the antenna ground. A rear face antenna may be formed using a wireless power receiving coil as a radio-frequency antenna resonating element or may be formed from metal antenna traces on a plastic support for light-based components.

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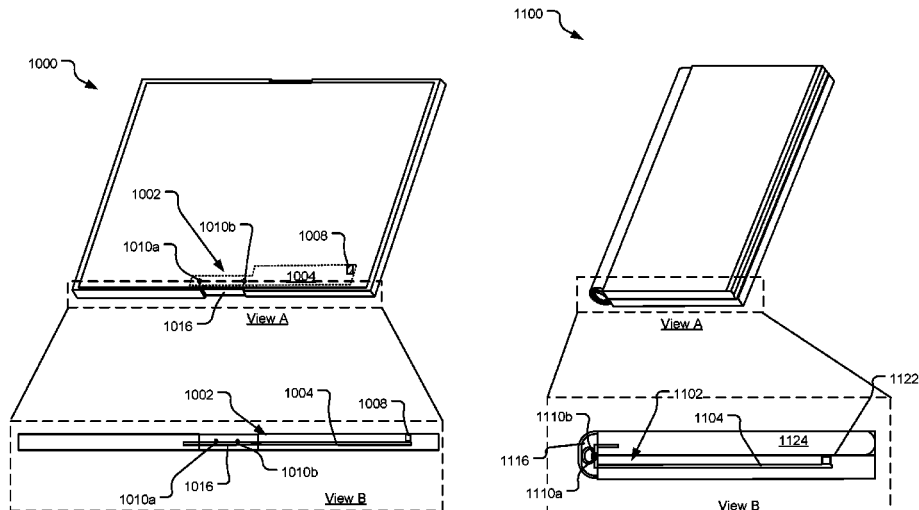
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An electronic device disclosed herein includes an antenna that self-tunes frequency responsive to changes to a physical configuration of the electronic device to negate a shift in the resonant frequency attributable to the change in physical configuration.

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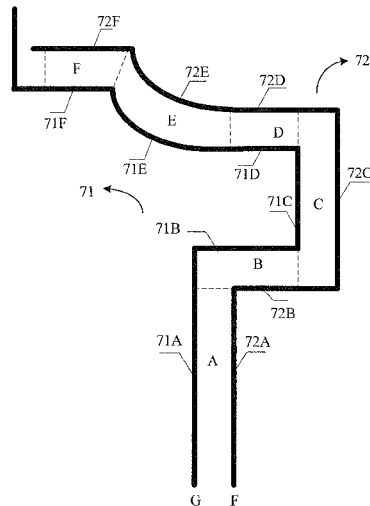
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Embodiments of the present invention disclose an antenna and a mobile terminal, which are relate to the field of antenna technologies, so as to improve radiation performance of the antenna. The antenna includes a first antenna arm and a second antenna arm that are not in contact with each other, where one end of the first antenna arm is configured for grounding, one end of the second antenna arm is configured to connect to a feed point, and the first antenna arm and the second antenna arm have at least one relative area.

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(54) **ANTENNA ARRAY, ANTENNA APPARATUS,
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Embodiments of the present invention relate to an antenna array, an antenna apparatus, and a base station. The antenna array includes: at least two antenna sub-arrays, where the at least two antenna sub-arrays are arranged in a vertical direction, each of the antenna sub-arrays includes multiple radiating elements, and in at least two adjacent antenna sub-arrays in the vertical direction, radiating elements at corresponding positions in the respective antenna sub-arrays are arranged in a staggered manner in a horizontal direction. In the embodiments of the present invention, horizontal side lobes and vertical far side lobes in an antenna array pattern are reduced, and the ultra-wideband performance is improved.

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