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(54) FLEXIBLE INTERFACE FOR COMMUNICATION BETWEEN A HOST AND AN ANALOG IO DEVICE CONNECTED TO THE INTERFACE, REGARDLESS THE TYPE OF THE IO DEVICE

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(57) ABSTRACT

An interface device (10) provides fast data communication between a host device with superloop interface and a data transmit/receive device, wherein the interface device (10) comprises a processor means (13), a memory means (14), a first connecting device (12) for interfacing the host device with the interface device, and a second connecting device (15) for interfacing the interface device (10) with the data transmit/receive device. The interface device (10) is configured by the processor means (13) and the memory means (14) in such a way that, when receiving an inquiry from the host device via the first connecting device (12) as to the type of a device attached to the host device, regardless of the type of the data transmit/receive device, the interface device sends a signal to the host device via the first connecting device (12) which signals to the host device that it is communicating with an input/output device.

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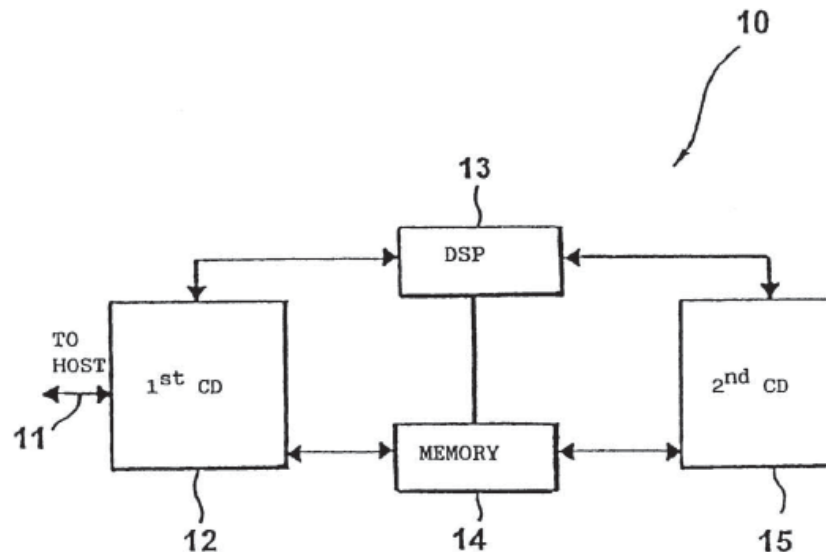


FIG. 1

'399 Claim 11

An interface device for communication between a host device, which comprises a multi-purpose interface, a specific driver for this interface, and a data transmit/receive device, the data transmit/receive device being arranged for providing analog data, comprising:

a processor;

a memory;

a first connecting device for interfacing the host device with the interface device via the multi-purpose interface of the host device; and

a second connecting device for interfacing the interface device with the data transmit/receive device, the second connecting device including a sampling circuit for sampling the analog data provided by the data transmit/receive device and

an analog-to-digital converter for converting data sampled by the sampling circuit into digital data;

where the interface device is configured using the processor and the memory to include a first command interpreter and a second command interpreter, **wherein the first command interpreter is**

configured in such a way that the interface device, when receiving an inquiry from the host device as to the type of a device attached at the multi-purpose interface of the host device, sends a signal, regardless of the type of the data transmit/receive device attached to the second connecting device of the interface device, to the host device which signals to the host device that it is an input/output device customary for the interface device, whereupon the host device communicates with the interface device using the specific driver for the multi-purpose interface, and wherein the second command interpreter is configured to interpret a data request command from the host device to the type of the input/output device signaled by the first command interpreter as a data transfer command for the transfer of the digital data to the host device.

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