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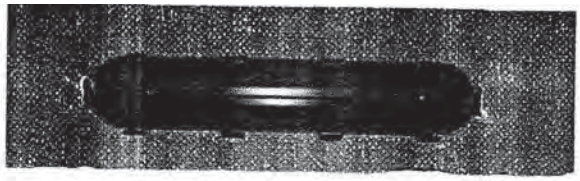

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT

TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates in general to the field of electronic systems, and more particularly to a system and method for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Software suppliers and other sellers of computer systems often have a need for correcting or upgrading existing software used by their customers. Common methods of doing so include the distribution of floppy disks and tapes and the provision of modem support. However, the distribution of floppy disks and tapes is time consuming and forces the customer to use the old software while waiting for updates. Modem support can be used to link directly to the consumer's remote computer system and manually upgrade the software. However, such manual upgrade is time consuming, expensive and prone to human error.

Additionally, a central computer system has been used to provide access to software updates from systems at fixed remote locations. One such system is disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 5,155,847 entitled "*Method and Apparatus for Updating Software at Remote Locations.*"

U.S. Patent No. 5,155,847 discloses a central computer system that can monitor and record changes to versions of software. A user having a fixed remote system operating an old version of software may access the central computer system. If changes are applicable to the software used by the remote system, the central computer system can provide patches to the remote system for updating the software.

However, the system disclosed by U.S. Patent No. 5,155,847 discloses remote systems at fixed locations that access a central computer system over an on-line communication link that allows interactive and bidirectional communication. The remote systems participate in a single, continuous communication session that is terminated after the remote user receives the appropriate patches.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In accordance with the present invention, disadvantages and problems associated with prior systems and methods for updating software have been substantially reduced or eliminated. One aspect of the present invention provides remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit.

According to an embodiment of the present invention, a system for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit is provided. The system includes a manager host and a mobile unit. The manager host is operable to initiate transmission through a communication network of at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch. The mobile unit is operable to receive the at least one patch message. The mobile unit is also operable to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the mobile unit and to switch execution to the patched operating code.

According to another embodiment of the present invention, a method for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit is provided. At least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch is transmitted through a communication network. The at least one patch message is received in a first mobile unit where the first mobile unit is executing current operating code located in the mobile unit. Patched operating code is created in the mobile unit by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code. Execution in the mobile unit is switched to the patched operating code.

A technical advantage of the present invention is allowing remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit without physically touching the mobile unit or establishing a bidirectional and interactive communication link. The patching of code may be to fix

software bugs, add new functionality, or completely replace the existing version of code with a new version.

An additional technical advantage of the present invention is the provision of mobile units operable to interpret patch messages and create patched operating code therefrom without affecting the normal functions performed by the mobile unit.

According to another technical advantage of the present invention, patches are broadcast to a number of mobile units from a central location. The central location operates to keep track of the location of each mobile unit and how to deliver patch messages. The central location can also tailor the broadcasts of patches to different mobile units.

According to an additional technical advantage of the present invention, patches are sent as several discrete patch messages to a mobile unit, reception of the discrete patch messages is verified by the mobile unit, and patch information is combined by the mobile unit to create a complete patch file used to patch current operating code. The patches can be sent in a single or multiple communication sessions.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

For a more complete understanding of the present invention and for further features and advantages, reference is now made to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, wherein like reference numerals represent like parts, in which:

FIGURE 1 illustrates one embodiment of a system for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit;

FIGURE 2 is a schematic representation of one embodiment of a manager host;

FIGURE 3 is a schematic representation of one embodiment of a mobile unit;

FIGURE 4 illustrates one embodiment of message formats for patch messages used to represent a patch file;

FIGURE 5 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of operation of a mobile unit for remote patching of operating code located in the mobile unit;

FIGURE 6 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of creating patched operating code in a mobile unit; and

FIGURE 7 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of resetting and restarting with patched operating code.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

FIGURE 1 illustrates one embodiment of a system, indicated generally at 10, for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit. System 10 comprises a communication network 12 that includes an enhanced services complex 14.

Communication network 12 may include one or a combination of several communication technologies, such as a wireless communication network like the cellular telephone network, a land-line communication network, another portion of the public switched telephone network (PSTN), a dedicated communication link, or any other appropriate communication link. Communication network 12 can support data transmissions or data and voice transmissions simultaneously. The type of communication link utilized in communication network 12 may vary between components of system 10, as described below.

A manager host 16 is coupled to enhanced services complex 14 using communication network 12. A first client host 18 and a second client host 20 also are coupled to enhanced services complex 14 in a similar manner as manager host 16. Manager host 16, first client host 18, and second client host 20 can be separate from or integral to enhanced services complex 14.

A first mobile unit 22 and a second mobile unit 24 are associated with first client host 18 and are coupled to enhanced services complex 14 using communication network 12. Similarly, a third mobile unit 26, a fourth mobile unit 28 and a fifth mobile unit 30 are associated with second client host 20 and are coupled to communication network 12. In the preferred embodiment, the communication link of the communication network 12 that couples mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 with the enhanced services complex 14 is a wireless or mobile communication network, such as a cellular telephone network.

In the embodiment of FIGURE 1, manager host 16 provides support to client host 18 and client host 20 with respect to processing of information messages exchanged between enhanced services complex 14 and associated mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 via communication network 12. For example, client host 18 and client host 20 can receive status information from and provide dispatching information to mobile units 22 and 24 and mobile units 26, 28 and 30, respectively. Manager host 16 provides support for systems operating in both client hosts 18 and 20 and mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30.

At times, manager host 16 might desire to enhance, correct, or replace current operating code located in one or more of the mobile units. A patch file can be created that defines one or more patches that need to be made to provide enhancements or corrections to the current operating code. In addition to the patch or patches, the patch file can provide a new version number and a new checksum for the resulting patched operating code. The version number can provide information such as the phase, release, revision and modifications made. Furthermore, as described below, the messages can also define a completely new version of the software that is to replace the current version running at the mobile units. Therefore, the description of the components and operation of sending patch messages to mobile units applies equally to the transmission of download messages that combine to form new operating code to replace the current operating code.

According to the teachings of the present invention, the patch file can be represented by a set of discrete patch messages. Each patch message can be sized as a discrete data payload suitable for transmission in a message through communication network 12. Manager host 16 can transmit the discrete patch messages to

appropriate mobile units. When a mobile unit receives the patch messages, the mobile unit can verify the patch messages, merge the defined patches with the current operating code, and switch execution to the patched operating code. In order to receive a complete patch file, each mobile unit receives all of the patch messages in the set representing the patch file. The transmission of discrete patch messages does not require a dedicated or interactive communication link, and can be performed in several communication sessions. For example, due to the inherent limitations of wireless communication, the communication link to the mobile unit may be lost. System 10 can then reestablish the communication link and continue transmission of the current patch message.

In this manner, operating code located in a mobile unit may be maintained and updated without the need for manager host 16 physically to contact the mobile unit. In addition, manager host 16 can provide varying levels of enhancements to mobile units associated with different client hosts and remotely maintain the operating code associated with each level of enhancement. This can be accomplished by addressing patch messages to the appropriate mobile units. For example, mobile units 22 and 24 associated with client host 18 can have a different version of operating code than mobile units 26, 28 and 30 associated with client host 20.

Manager host 16 can transmit discrete patch messages, according to the teachings of the present invention, in order to overcome limitations inherent in communication network 12. The communication link to the mobile units in communication network 12 can comprise any wireless or mobile communication system using land-based or space-based transmitters, receivers, or transceivers, such as a cellular telephone network, a personal communication system (PCS), a specialized mobile radio (SMR), an enhanced specialized mobile radio (ESMR),

citizen's band (CB), a paging network, a satellite-based communication network, or any other communication system supporting transmission of data to the mobile units.

Due to the nature of wireless communication, transmission of large amounts of data over communication network 12 can be expensive, error prone, and risky. For example, wireless communications may not be appropriate for an on-line session that requires bidirectional and interactive communications over an extended period of time. Further, in such a system, a mobile unit might be required to limit normal operation until the transmission of data was complete. Normal communication of messages between a client host and an associated mobile unit would be disrupted and the mobility of the mobile unit would be restricted. For example, if an on-line communication link over a cellular network were used, a mobile unit would be forced to stop at the edge of network coverage in order to maintain the communication link. The present invention overcomes these limitations of wireless communication by broadcasting short messages over one or several separate communication sessions that do not require interactive or substantial bidirectional communication. Furthermore, the present invention can resume transmissions when the communication link is lost without sacrificing a significant loss of previously transmitted data.

Each mobile unit 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 can be associated with a vehicle, person, or other mobile entity. Each mobile unit 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 operates by executing the current operating code located in the mobile unit. The mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 may perform various communicating, locating, and fleet management functions as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,155,689 entitled *"Vehicle Locating and Communicating Method and Apparatus"*.

In operation, manager host 16 can accomplish remote patching of operating code located in mobile units 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 by transmitting a set of discrete patch messages through communication network 12. The discrete patch messages collectively represent a patch file defining at least one patch to be made to current operating code located in one or more of mobile units 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30. Each mobile unit 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 is operable to receive the patch messages transmitted by manager host 16. Each mobile unit 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 can create patched operating code by merging the defined patch or patches with the current operating code and can switch execution to the patched operating code. The discrete patch messages can comprise packets that can be transmitted before or after voice communication, during dead time of conversation or other suitable time period for transmitting packet sized data.

Manager host 16 can address patch messages to mobile units as appropriate for the patch file being transmitted. Manager host 16 can address a patch message to one of the mobile units, to all of the mobile units, or to a group of mobile units. A patch message addressed to all of the mobile units can be referred to as a broadcast message. A patch message addressed to a group can correspond to mobile units associated with client host 18 or client host 20. For example, manager host 16 can address a patch message such that it will be transmitted to both mobile unit 22 and mobile unit 24 associated with client host 18.

In the embodiment of FIGURE 1, enhanced services complex 14 of communication network 12 operates to handle all messages transmitted between manager host 16, client host 18, client host 20 and mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30. In particular, enhanced services complex 14 maintains information to establish communication with mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 using communication

network 12. Enhanced services complex 14 then ensures that message data is delivered with integrity. Part of the operation of enhanced services complex 14 is to handle patch messages transmitted by manager host 16 to mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30. Enhanced services complex 14 recognizes whether a patch message is addressed to one mobile unit, a group of mobile units or all mobile units, establishes communication with the appropriate mobile units, and transmits the discrete patch message. Application Serial No. 08/095,166 entitled "Method and Apparatus for a Nation-wide Cellular Telephone Network" describes in detail the components and functionality of enhanced services complex 14, and is herein incorporated by reference. Enhanced services complex 14 and manager host 16 can be separate components in system 10, or integrated into a single platform as described in Application Serial No. 08/095,166.

A technical advantage of the present invention is allowing remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit without physically touching the mobile unit or establishing an on-line communication link. An additional technical advantage of the present invention is the provision of mobile units operable to interpret patch messages and create patched operating code therefrom without affecting the normal functions performed by the mobile unit. According to another technical advantage of the present invention, a mobile unit can provide feedback regarding the current version of operating code located in the mobile unit and can provide verification of completion of patches to the current operating code.

FIGURE 2 is a schematic representation of one embodiment of a manager host 16. Manager host 16 communicates with mobile units using link 40 to communication network 12. Link 40 may be one or a combination of dedicated or switched telephone lines in

the mobile or land-line public switched telephone network (PSTN), or other land-based communication links, satellite-based communication links, or any other suitable communication link that allows manager host 16 to transmit messages to or receive messages from communication network 12.

A message received from a mobile unit enters manager host 16 through a modem, DTMF coder/decoder, or other data encoder 42 and passes to central controller 44. Conversely, a message transmitted to a mobile unit passes from central controller 44 through coder/decoder 42 to communication network 12.

Memory 46 and input/output device 48 are coupled to central controller 44. Central controller 44 receives and processes messages from mobile units. Central controller 44 also transmits messages to mobile units including patch messages addressed to appropriate mobile units. Memory 46 may be RAM, ROM, CD-ROM, removable memory devices, or any other device that allows storage and retrieval of data. Input/output device 48 includes any variety of output devices, such as a display, a speaker to provide audible information, removable storage media, or any other appropriate output device. Input/output device 48 may also include a variety of input devices, such as a keyboard, mouse, touchscreen, removable storage media, or any other appropriate input device.

FIGURE 3 is a schematic representation of one embodiment of a mobile unit, indicated generally at 50. Mobile units 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 of FIGURE 1 may be constructed in a similar manner as mobile unit 50 of FIGURE 3. Mobile unit 50 comprises a mobile communications device 52 including an antenna 54 coupled to a transceiver 56. A handset 58 is also coupled to transceiver 56. Transceiver 56 is coupled to bus drivers 60 which in turn are coupled to a modem, DTMF

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coder/decoder, or other data encoder 62. Coder/decoder 62 is coupled to processor 64. Transceiver 56 is also coupled to processor 64 over link 65.

Processor 64 is coupled to a first flash bank 66 and to a second flash bank 68 and to a RAM 70. First flash bank 66, second flash bank 68, and RAM 70 may be RAM, ROM, CD-ROM, removable memory devices, or any other device that allows storage and retrieval of data. Furthermore, first flash bank 66, second flash bank 68, and RAM 70 may be separate devices or portions of one or more devices. An input device 72 and an output device 74 are also coupled to processor 64.

In operation, mobile communications device 52 receives and transmits messages over communication network 12. The messages received by transceiver 56 are passed to processor 64 either over link 65 or over other appropriate path such as bus drivers 60 and coder/decoder 62. Processor 64 manages the operation of mobile unit 50. Handset 58 provides additional voice or data communication. First flash bank 66 and second flash bank 68 are operable to store operating code for execution by processor 64, and RAM 70 is operable to provide processor 64 with memory work space.

In operation, processor 64 executes current operating code out of first flash bank 66 or second flash bank 68. Processor 64 performs functions according to the current operating code. When processor 64 receives one or more patch messages representing a complete patch file, processor 64 analyzes the patch messages to determine whether processor 64 should initiate a patch process. If processor 64 is currently executing an appropriate version of operating code suitable to receive the defined patch or patches, processor 64 initiates the patch process to implement the patch or patches defined by the patch messages.

Processor 64 stores patch information defined by the patch messages in RAM 70. If processor 64 is executing out of first flash bank 66, processor 64 creates patched operating code in second flash bank 68 by merging the patch information with the current operating code. After the patched operating code is created, processor 64 sets a flag indicating that further execution should occur out of second flash bank 68. Processor 64 then initiates a reset so that mobile unit 50 restarts with processor 64 executing the patched operating code located in second flash bank 68. An analogous switch from second flash bank 68 to first flash bank 66 can occur when the current operating code is located in second flash bank 68. In this manner, mobile unit 50 can enhance, correct, or replace the current operating code based upon discrete patch or download messages transmitted over communication network 12.

The components of mobile unit 50 shown in FIGURE 3 may be packaged into one or more housings. Mobile unit 50 may be mounted to a vehicle or associated with other movable objects. Mobile unit 50 may also be packaged as a portable, hand-held device that provides personal functions. For example, a portable, hand-held mobile unit 50 may be used by surveyors, rescue teams, individuals that may change forms of transportation, or any other application requiring portability of mobile unit 50.

FIGURE 4 illustrates one embodiment of message formats for transmission over communication network 12 to mobile units. The first three message types relate to patch messages for incorporating patches of code into existing code on the mobile units. The last three messages relate to direct program download messages for replacing the current code in the mobile unit with a new version of code. All message formats shown in FIGURE 4 are inserted in a general message format, that begins

with a start, message type, length, and identifier field and ends with a checksum and end field. These messages can be sized to accommodate optimal or preferred message sizes for different technologies in communication network 12.

The patch messages include: a new patch file message, an append patch message, an append data message, and a delete unincorporated patches message. These patch messages are designated as type "0", "1", "2", and "3" respectively. In the illustrated embodiment, each patch message includes up to 252 bytes of information.

A new patch file message operates to indicate to a mobile unit that a set of one or more patch messages representing a new patch file is being transmitted. As described above, the set of patch messages will define a patch or patches to be made to current operating code. The new patch file message also operates to define the first patch.

A new patch file message includes eight fields, as shown in FIGURE 4. The new patch file message includes a "message type" field which is one byte and holds a "0" indicating that the message is a new patch file message. A "patch file ID" field is one byte and comprises a unique identification number for the patch file represented by the set of patch messages. Each patch message associated with the patch file includes this unique patch file ID. A "software version" field is eight bytes and provides an indication of which operating code versions are appropriate for receiving the patch or patches contained in the represented patch file. The software version can operate as a mask to indicate such things as phase, release, revision, and modifications made. A "number of patches" field is one byte and gives the total number of patches that are included in the set of patch messages identified by the patch file ID. Each patch may be represented by one or more discrete patch

messages. A "memory address to be modified by patch" field is four bytes and identifies the memory address of the current operating code to be modified by the first patch which is defined by the new patch file message. A "starting address in patch memory space" field is four bytes and defines the starting address in the patched operating code where the first patch is to be written. A "number of bytes of data" field is one byte and defines the number of bytes of information in a "patch data" field. Lastly, the "patch data" field can include from one to 232 bytes and holds the data associated with the first patch.

An append patch message operates to define an additional patch to be made to current operating code. The append patch message includes six fields that are similar to fields in the new patch file message. A "message type field" is one byte and is a "1" to indicate an append patch message. A "patch file ID" field is one byte and comprises the unique identification number for the patch file. This patch file ID must match the patch file ID contained in the previous new patch file message. A "memory address to be modified by patch" field is four bytes and identifies the memory address of the current operating code to be modified by the additional patch defined by the append patch message. A "starting address in patch memory space" field is four bytes and defines the starting address in the patched operating code where the additional patch is to be written. A "number of bytes of data" field is one byte and defines the number of bytes of information in a "patch data" field. Lastly, the "patch data" field can include from one to 241 bytes and holds the data associated with the additional patch.

An append data message operates to provide patch extension data where the data associated with a patch requires more space than is available in the patch data field of a new patch file message or an append patch

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message. The append data message includes three fields. A "message type" field is one byte and is a "2" to indicate an append data message. A "patch file ID" field is one byte and comprises the unique identification number for the patch file. This patch file ID must match the patch file ID contained in the previous new patch file message. Lastly, a "patch extension data" field can include from one to 250 bytes and holds additional data associated with a patch. There can be one or more append data messages associated with a new patch file message or an append patch message depending upon the number of bytes of data needed to define the associated patch.

The delete unincorporated patches message includes a single "message type" field which is one byte and holds a "3". After receiving an entire set of patch messages, the mobile unit may perform an end-to-end checksum of the patched messages or the patched operating code. If there is a checksum error, the mobile unit informs manager host 16 of the checksum error. Manager host 16 may then send the delete unincorporated patches message to the mobile unit so that the transmission of patch messages can be repeated.

A new patch file message defines one patch, and each append patch message defines an additional patch. Thus, for a set of discrete patch messages, the total of the new patch file message plus the append patch messages equals the "number of patches" field in the new patch file message. The set of discrete patch messages also can include a number of append data messages. Append data messages provide extension data as necessary for a new patch file message or one of the append patch messages. Append data messages complete the patch definition if any of the patches require more bytes of data than available in the "patch data" field of a new patch file message or an append patch message.

Using the patch message formats illustrated in FIGURE 4, a complete patch file may be transmitted through communication network 12 using at least one discrete patch message representing the patch file. Each discrete patch message can have a separate checksum associated with it. Thus, each message can be separately verified. A mobile unit can initiate a patch process after all patch messages in a set are received and verified. For the embodiment of patch messages illustrated in FIGURE 4, the patch messages are received in proper sequence although the length of time between receipt of each patch message is unimportant. Other embodiments of discrete patch messages can include additional fields that define such things as sequence and could be received in any order. Each mobile unit can operate to determine whether a patch message has been missed and to request a patch message or complete set to be retransmitted.

A patch file and associated patch messages can be generated manually or automatically. In general, a patch may insert a jump command into the current operating code causing a jump to additional code. The additional code can return execution to the point following the jump command. A patch may alternatively simply overwrite current operating code. Additionally, the current operating code may include empty space following each module to provide room for expansion by patches. Other embodiments of patches are possible. The embodiments of patch messages and patches described with respect to FIGURE 4 are not intended nor should be construed to limit the scope of the present invention.

The direct program download messages include: a prepare for download, a download message, and a program checksum message. These patch messages are designated as type "4", "5" and "6", respectively. In the illustrated

embodiment, each download message includes up to 109 bytes of information.

The prepare for download message includes a single "message type" field which is one byte and holds a "4", which informs the mobile unit that a new program download is about to be transmitted. In response, the mobile unit erases first flash bank 66 or second flash bank 68 in preparation for receiving new operating code.

The download message transmits the actual data that combines to form the new operating code that replaces the current operating code of the mobile unit. Normally, the mobile unit receives several download messages that combine to form the new operating code. The download message includes six fields, as shown in FIGURE 4. The download message has a "message type" field which is one byte and holds a "5" indicating that the message is a download message. The "record type" field contains two bytes and indicates the format of the remaining data in the message. The "record length" field is one byte long and indicates the length of the remaining message. The "starting address" field can be between two and four bytes long and defines a starting address in first flash bank 66 or second flash bank 68 to insert the data contained in the download message. The "program data" field contains up to 100 bytes that define a portion of the new operating code for the mobile unit. The "record checksum" field contains a single byte that is used by the mobile unit to confirm the integrity of the received download message.

The new program checksum message includes two fields. A one-byte "message type" field holds a "6", which informs the mobile unit that the program download is complete and that a program checksum value follows. A "new checksum" field contains a two-byte checksum to verify the integrity of the new operating code combined from the download messages received at the mobile unit.

Using the download message formats illustrated in FIGURE 4, new operating code may be transmitted through communication network 12 using at least one download message representing the new operating code. Each download message includes a separate record checksum to verify the integrity of each download message transmission. Upon receipt and verification of a single download message, the mobile unit transmits an acknowledgement to manager host 16 that the download message has been accurately received. The program data from each download message is then loaded into first flash bank 66 or second flash bank 68 at the address specified in the download message. Additionally, an end-to-end checksum on the new operating code can be used to verify the complete set of download messages loaded in memory. After verifying receipt of the new operating code, the mobile unit swaps out the current operating code with the new operating code and initiates a reset to execute the new code. The download messages can be received in any sequence and over any number of communication sessions. By receiving acknowledgements from the mobile unit, manager host 16 or enhanced services complex 14 can monitor which download messages have been sent and when the transmission of the set of download messages is complete.

FIGURE 5 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of operation of a mobile unit for remote patching operating code. The method of FIGURE 5 is one embodiment of a patch process by which a mobile unit can receive a set of patch messages collectively representing a patch file, can merge the defined patches with the current operating code to create patched operating code, and can switch execution to the patched operating code. A similar operation could be used to receive several download messages defining new operating code to replace the current operating code in the mobile unit.

In step 100, the mobile unit receives an initial patch message which includes a software version. In one embodiment of the present invention, the initial patch message comprises a new patch file message as described with respect to FIGURE 4. In step 102, the mobile unit compares the software version provided by the initial patch message with the software version of the mobile unit's current operating code. In step 104, the mobile unit determines whether the software version of the current operating code is appropriate for the patches defined by the set of patch messages. If not, the mobile unit transmits an appropriate error message in step 106. This error message can be addressed to manager host 16, an associated client host 18 and 20, or both.

If the current operating code is an appropriate version, the mobile unit checks whether the initial patch message is valid in step 108. This validity check can comprise a checksum technique or other appropriate validity check. If the patch message is not valid, the mobile unit transmits an appropriate error message in step 106. If the patch message is valid, then the mobile unit stores the associated patch information in step 110. The mobile unit may also send an acknowledgment that the patch message was valid. In one embodiment, the patch information is stored in RAM 70 that is used as a work space. In step 112, the mobile unit determines whether there are additional patch messages to be received. If so, the mobile unit receives the next patch message in step 114. In one embodiment of the present invention, the next patch message comprises either an append patch message or an append data message as described with respect to FIGURE 4. The mobile unit checks the validity of the next patch message in step 108, and, if valid, stores the patch information in step 110. If the next patch message is not valid, the mobile unit sends an appropriate error message in step 106.

The mobile unit continues in this manner until all patch messages are received for the patch file. The mobile unit uses the "number of patches" defined by the new patch message to determine the total number of patch messages associated with a patch file. In one embodiment of the present invention, there is a new patch file message plus a number of append patch messages, the total equal to the "number of patches" field in the new patch file message format shown in FIGURE 4. The number of append data messages can be determined from respective "number of bytes of data" fields in the new patch file message or the append patch messages.

As described above, each patch message is a discrete message. When the mobile unit identifies an incoming message as a patch message, the mobile unit handles the patch message accordingly. The patch messages can be transmitted over a long or short period of time, and in one or many separate communication sessions. The mobile unit waits until a complete set of patch messages has been received and then continues to step 116 of FIGURE 5. Alternatively, the mobile unit may begin to create the patched operating code while still receiving additional patch messages from manager host 16.

In step 116, the mobile unit creates patched operating code. To do so, the mobile unit merges the patch or patches defined by the set of patch messages into the current operating code to create a patched operating code. One embodiment of this process is described with respect to FIGURE 6. This process is not necessary if the mobile unit receives a set of download messages that in themselves define the new operating code to be executed.

After creating the patched operating code, the mobile unit verifies the patched operating code in step 118. This step can be performed using a checksum or other appropriate technique. In step 120, the mobile

unit determines whether the result of verification indicates valid patched operating code. If not, the mobile unit transmits an appropriate error message in step 106. The mobile unit may then receive a delete unincorporated patch messages from manager host 16, and the process can be repeated at step 100.

If the patched operating code is valid, the mobile unit resets and restarts such that execution is switched to the patched operating code in step 122. One embodiment of this reset and restart process is described with respect to FIGURE 7. After patching is completed, the mobile unit executes and operates according to the patched operating code. If a new set of patch messages is received, the mobile unit repeats the patching process to create and switch to new patched operating code. In this manner, the current operating code in the mobile unit may be remotely patched to provide enhancements or corrections as part of ongoing support of the mobile unit. Similarly, a set of download messages can provide an entirely new version of software to replace the current version.

FIGURE 6 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of creating patched operating code. In this embodiment, the mobile unit comprises first flash bank 66 and second flash bank 68 and can execute operating code located in either flash memory bank. The mobile unit also comprises RAM 70 holding the patch information supplied by the set of patch messages.

In step 130, the mobile unit prepares the second flash bank 68 to receive patched code. Second flash bank 68 is the one in which the current operating code is not located. In step 132, the mobile unit begins the process of merging patches into the current operating code. In step 132, the mobile unit determines whether the next memory address of the current operating code in the first flash bank is to be modified by a patch beginning with

the first memory address that holds part of the current operating code. If so, in step 134, the mobile unit merges the patch with the current operating code and stores the resulting patched operating code in the second flash bank 68. In one embodiment of the present invention, the mobile unit steps through byte-by-byte, and upon detecting a patch, inserts bytes of a patch. After inserting bytes of a patch, the mobile unit continues with the next byte in the current operating code. If the next memory address in the first flash bank 66 is not to be modified, the mobile unit copies the associated byte of operating code into the second flash bank 68 in step 136.

In step 138, the mobile unit determines whether patching is complete. If not, the mobile unit continues at step 132. This process proceeds byte-by-byte, sequentially, until a current operating code memory address matches a patch message "memory address to be modified" field. The mobile unit continues merging patches with the current operating code until the current operating code has been processed completely from beginning to end and all patches have been inserted. In this manner, patched operating code is created in the second flash bank 68 by merging the current operating code in first flash bank 66 with the patches defined by the set of patch messages. The second flash bank 68 then contains complete patched operating code that is ready for verification and execution by the mobile unit.

FIGURE 7 is a flow chart showing one embodiment of a method of resetting and restarting with patched or new operating code stored in second flash bank 68. This process operates to switch execution to either patched operating code generated from a set of patch messages or new operating code generated from a set of download messages. The embodiment described with reference to FIGURE 7 comprises switching execution from first flash

bank 66 which holds the current operating code to second flash bank 68 which holds the patched or new operating code. An analogous method could be used to switch from second flash bank 68 to first flash bank 66.

In step 150, the mobile unit copies into RAM 70 the code needed to switch execution to second flash bank 68. In this embodiment of the present invention, this code comprises a copy of boot code executed by the mobile unit when a reset occurs. The boot code includes instructions to cause execution of the patched or new operating code stored in second flash bank 68. In step 152, the mobile unit executes a system reset from RAM to restart and switch execution to second flash bank 68. In this embodiment, the mobile unit accomplishes the switch by setting a flag in RAM indicating that the mobile unit should execute operating code located in second flash bank 68. After the reset occurs, the mobile unit begins power-up with the patched or new operating code. Alternatively, the mobile unit may physically swap the contents of first memory bank 66 and second memory bank 68, perform a reset, and execute the new or patched operating code now residing in first memory bank 66.

In step 154, the mobile unit determines whether the power-up checksum is valid. If the power-up checksum is valid, then the patched or new operating code located in the second flash bank 68 is valid, and the mobile unit continues execution of the patched or new operating code. If the power-up checksum is not valid, then in step 156, the mobile unit executes another system reset from RAM to restart and switch execution back to first flash bank 66. Thus, if the patched or new operating code is not valid, the mobile unit returns to executing the current operating code as it existed prior to receiving a set of patch messages or download messages.

In an alternative embodiment, the mobile unit copies the contents of second flash bank 68 to first flash bank

66 after verifying the receipt and compilation of patched or new operating code. Mobile unit then executes the patched or new operating code residing in first flash bank 66. If the operating code in first flash bank 66 becomes corrupted, then mobile unit can switch execution to the copy of the same operating code stored in second flash bank 68.

The system and method of remote patching or updating of operating code located in a mobile unit of the present invention provides numerous technical advantages. A manager host can provide support for operating code located in one or more mobile units. The manager host can transmit a set of discrete patch messages collectively representing a patch file defining one or more patches to be made to operating code currently executed by one or more mobile units. The patches can comprise enhancements or corrections to the current operating code. The mobile units are capable of receiving the patch messages, creating patched operating code, and switching execution to the patched operating code without interrupting normal functions. The manager host can also transmit a set of discrete download messages collectively representing new operating code to replace the current operating code being executed by the mobile unit.

Although the present invention has been described with respect to several embodiments, it should be understood that various changes, substitutions and alterations can be made thereto without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

~~1. A system for remote patching of operating code~~ located in a mobile unit, comprising:

a manager host operable to initiate transmission through a wireless communication network of at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch; and

a first mobile unit operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message, the first mobile unit further operable to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the first mobile unit and to switch execution to the ~~patched operating code~~.

2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the current operating code and the patched operating code comprise object code for a processor located in the first mobile unit.

3. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message collectively represent a patch file that defines the at least one patch.

4. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message comprises one discrete patch message.

5. The system of Claim 4, wherein the one discrete patch message defines one patch to be made to the current operating code.

6. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message comprises a plurality of discrete patch messages.

7. The system of Claim 6, wherein the at least one discrete patch message defines a plurality of patches to be made to the current operating code.

8. The system of Claim 7, wherein the at least one discrete patch message includes at least one new patch file message and at least one append patch message.

9. The system of Claim 8, wherein the at least one discrete patch message further includes at least one append data message.

10. The system of Claim 1, wherein the mobile unit separately verifies the at least one discrete patch message.

11. The system of Claim 1, wherein the mobile unit separately verifies the at least one discrete patch message, and the mobile unit verifies the patched operating code.

~~12. The system of Claim 1, further comprising:~~

a second mobile unit operable to receive the at lest one patch message, the second mobile unit further operable to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the second mobile unit and to switch execution to the patched operating code; and

wherein the manager host is further operable to address the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to ~~the first mobile unit but not to the second mobile unit.~~

~~13. The system of Claim 12, wherein the first~~ mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

14. The system of Claim 12, wherein the manager host is further operable to address the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to the first mobile ~~unit and to the second mobile unit.~~

15. The system of Claim 14, wherein the first mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

16. The system of Claim 1, wherein the wireless communication network includes an enhanced services complex operable to establish communication with the first mobile unit and to transmit the at least one patch message to the first mobile unit.

~~17. A mobile unit, comprising:~~

a memory operable to store current operating code;

a receiver operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message transmitted through a wireless communication network, the at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to the current operating code; and

a processor coupled to the memory and to the receiver, the processor operable to execute the current operating code, to process the at least one discrete patch message, to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code, and to switch execution to the patched operating code.

18. The system of Claim 17, wherein the current operating code and the patched operating code comprise object code for the processor.

~~19. The system of Claim 17, further comprising:~~

a second memory coupled to the processor; and

wherein the processor is further operable to store patch information provided by the at least one discrete patch message in the second memory.

~~20~~ 23. The system of Claim ~~19~~ 22, further comprising:

a third memory coupled to the processor; and

wherein the processor is further operable to store the patched operating code in the third memory after the patched operating code is created.

~~21. The system of Claim 20, wherein the processor~~ is further operable to switch execution between the first ~~memory and the third memory.~~

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~~22~~. The system of Claim 19, ~~21~~, wherein the processor is further operable to switch execution between the first memory and the third memory after a system reset.

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~~23. The system of Claim 20, wherein the first~~ memory comprises a ~~first~~ flash bank, the second memory ~~comprises~~ a random-access memory, and the third memory ~~comprises a second flash bank.~~

~~24. A set of discrete patch messages for defining a~~ plurality of patches to be made to current operating code located in a mobile unit, comprising:

a new patch file message operable to define a first patch to be made to current operating code;

an append patch message operable to define an additional patch to be made to the current operating code; and

an append data message operable to extend patch definition information.

25. The set of patch messages of Claim 24, wherein the new patch file message comprises information including a patch file ID, a software version, a number of patches, and first patch data.

26. The set of patch messages of Claim 25, wherein the append patch message comprises information including ~~a patch file ID, and additional patch data.~~

27. The set of patch messages of Claim 26, wherein the append data message comprises information including a patch file ID, and patch extension data.

~~28. A method of operation of a mobile unit for~~ remote patching of operating code, comprising:

receiving at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to current operating code located in the mobile unit;

creating patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code to create the patched operating code; and

~~switching execution to the patched operating code.~~

29. The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of creating comprises creating patched operating code comprising object code for a processor located in the mobile unit.

30. The method of Claim 28, further comprising the step of verifying each patch message after the step of receiving.

31. The method of Claim 28, further comprising the step of verifying the patched operating code after the step of creating.

32. The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of creating patched operating code comprises the steps of:

processing the current operating code byte-by-byte to determine whether a patch is to be made to each byte of the current operating code; and

storing the patched operating code in a memory byte-by-byte as the current operating code is processed.

~~33. The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of~~ switching comprises the steps of:

copying boot code into a ~~first~~ memory;

executing a system ~~reset~~ from the first memory such that execution is switched from a second memory to a third memory; and

~~restarting using patched operating code in the third memory.~~

34. The method ~~of~~ Claim 33, further comprising the step ~~of~~ validating patched operating code executed from ~~the third~~ memory.

35. A method for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit, comprising:

transmitting at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch through a communication network;

receiving the at least one patch message in a first mobile unit, the first mobile unit executing current operating code located in the first mobile unit;

creating patched operating code in the first mobile unit by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code; and

switching execution in the first mobile unit to the patched operating code.

36. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of creating comprises creating patched operating code comprising object code for a processor located in the first mobile unit.

37. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of receiving comprises separately verifying the at least one discrete patch message.

38. The method of Claim 37, wherein the step of switching comprises verifying the patched operating code.

39. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of transmitting is accomplished using an enhanced services complex in a communication network.

40. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of transmitting further comprises addressing the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to the first mobile unit but not to a second mobile unit.

~~41. The method of Claim 40, wherein the first~~ mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

42. The method of Claim 40, wherein the first mobile unit and the second mobile unit are associated ~~with a first client host.~~

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system (10) for remote patching or updating of operating code located in a mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30) is provided. The system (10) includes a manager host (16) and a mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30). The manager host (16) is operable to initiate transmission through a communication network (12) of at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch. The mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30) is operable to receive the at least one patch message. The mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30) is also operable to create patched operating code by merging the patch with current operating code located in the mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30) and to switch execution to the patched operating code. The mobile unit (22, 24, 26, 28, or 30) can also receive at least one download message defining new operating code to replace the current operating code.

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FIG. 1

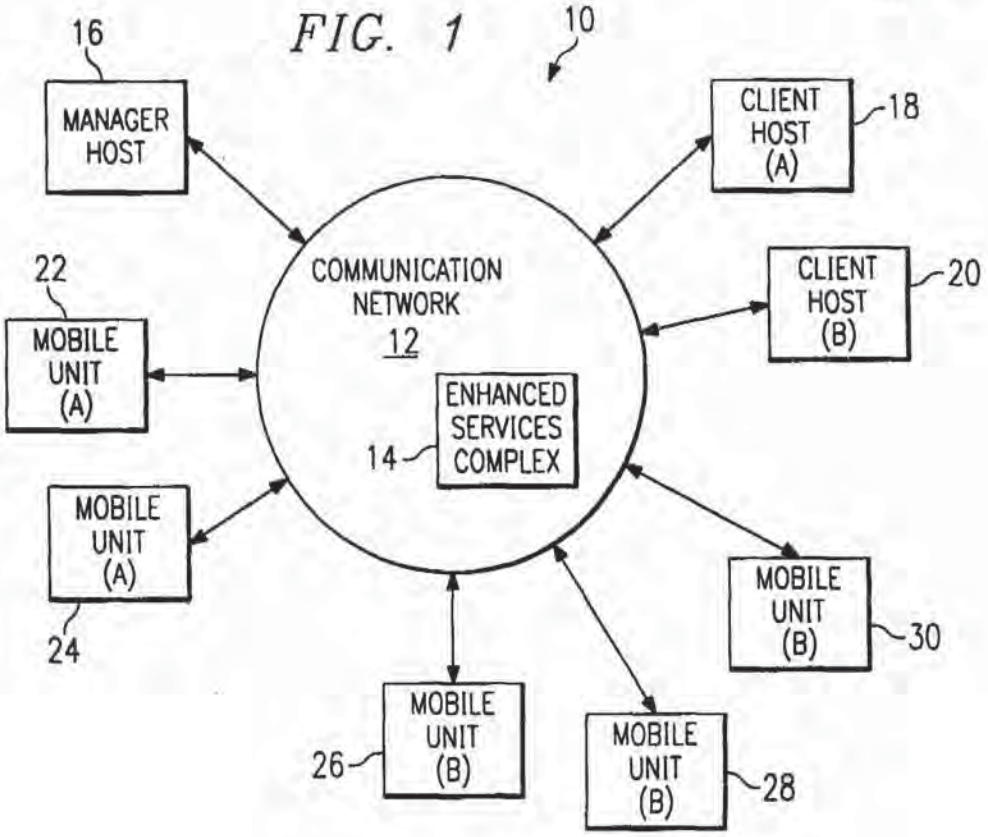


FIG. 2

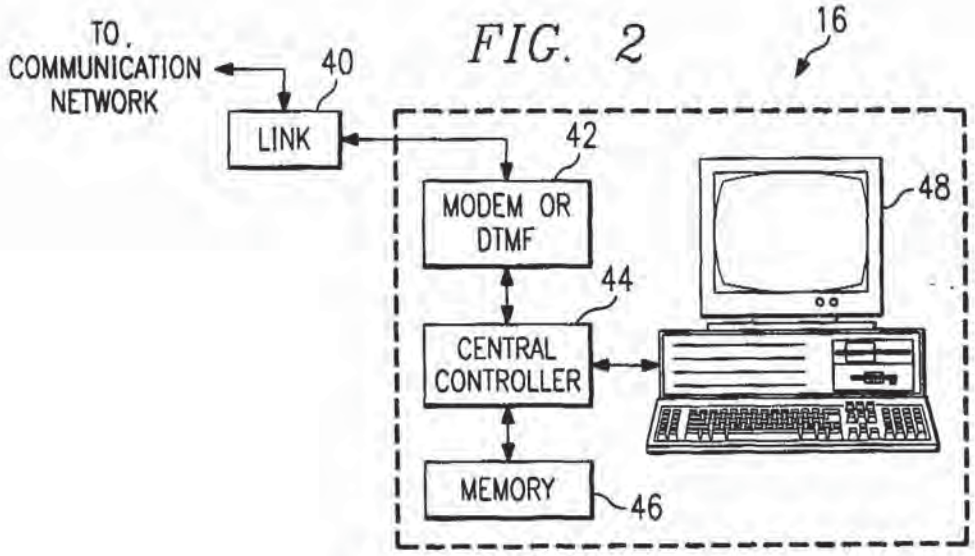
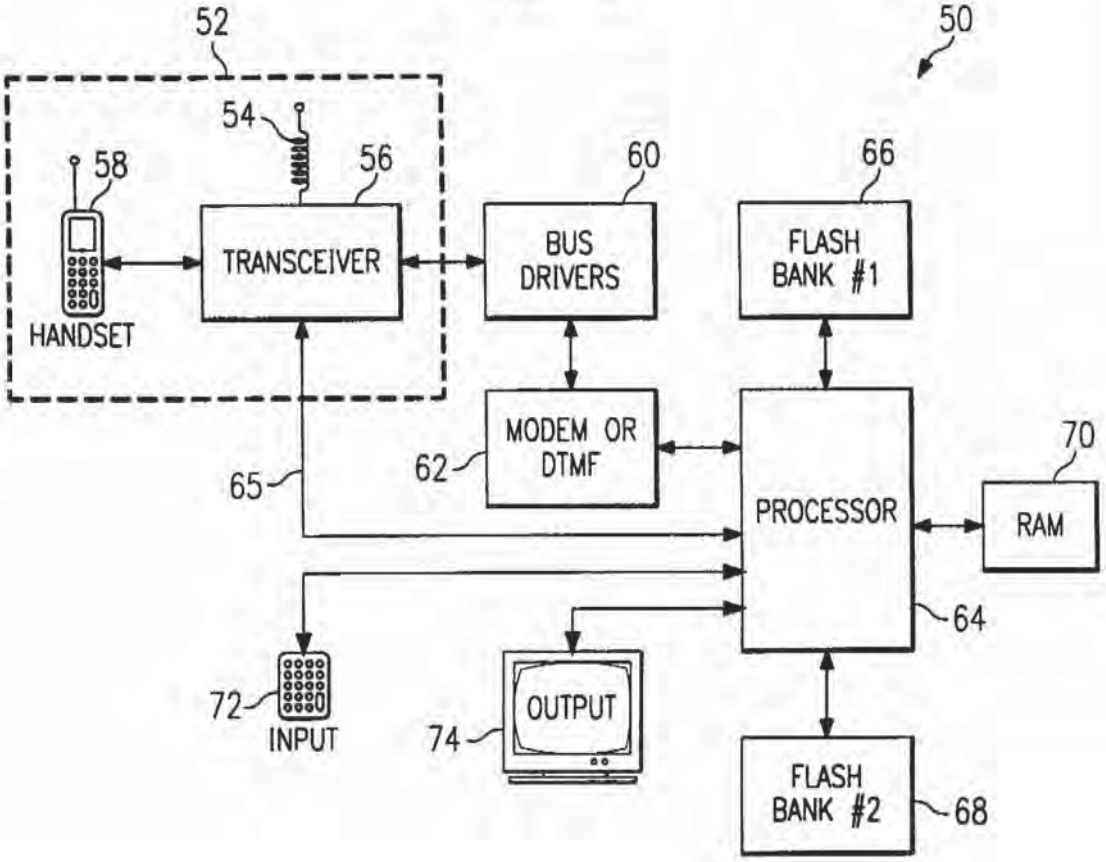


FIG. 3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TRANSCEIVER
BUS DRIVERS
FLASH BANK #1
HANDSET
MODEM OR DTMF
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PROCESSOR
70
RAM
64
72
INPUT
OUTPUT
74
FLASH BANK #2
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FIG. 4

MESSAGE	TYPE	MESSAGE FORMAT							
NEW PATCH FILE MESSAGE	0	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTE)	SOFTWARE VERSION (8 BYTES)	NUMBER OF PATCHES (1 BYTE)	MEMORY ADDRESS TO BE MODIFIED BY PATCH (4 BYTES)	STARTING ADDRESS IN PATCH MEMORY SPACE (4 BYTES)	NUMBER OF BYTES OF DATA (1 BYTE)	PATCH DATA (1-232 BYTES)
APPEND PATCH MESSAGE	1	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTES)	MEMORY ADDRESS TO BE MODIFIED BY PATCH (4 BYTES)		STARTING ADDRESS IN PATCH MEMORY SPACE (4 BYTES)	NUMBER OF BYTES OF DATA (1 BYTE)	PATCH DATA (1-241 BYTES)	
APPEND DATA MESSAGE	2	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTE)	PATCH EXTENSION DATA (1-250 BYTES)					
DELETE UNINCORPORATED PATCHES MESSAGE	3	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)							
PREPARE FOR DOWNLOAD MESSAGE	4	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)							
DOWNLOAD MESSAGE	5	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	RECORD TYPE (2 BYTES)	RECORD LENGTH (1 BYTE)	STARTING ADDRESS (2-4 BYTES)	PROGRAM DATA (1-100 BYTES)			RECORD CHECKSUM (1 BYTE)
PROGRAM CHECKSUM MESSAGE	6	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PROGRAM CHECKSUM (2 BYTES)						

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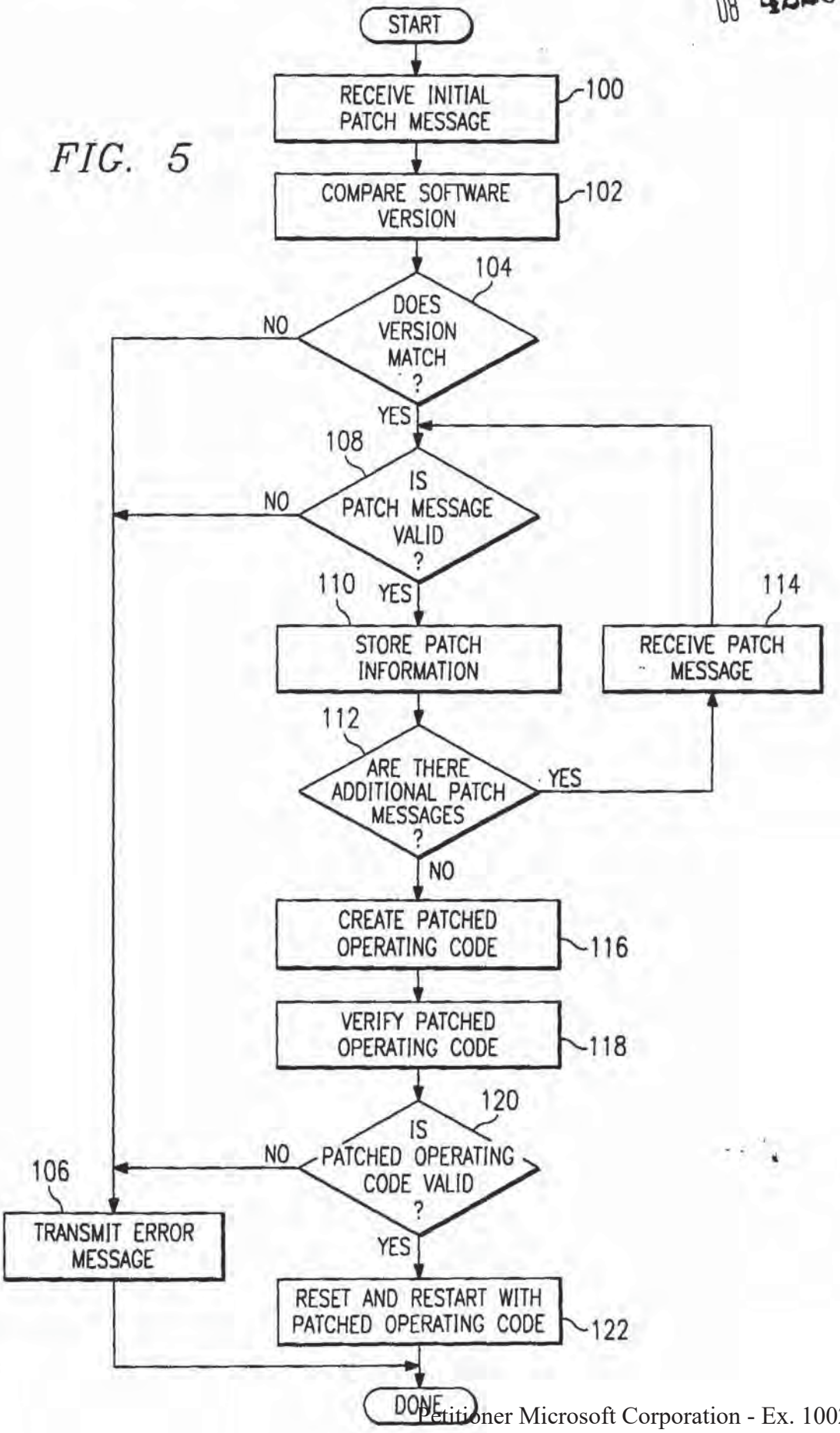
FIG. 5



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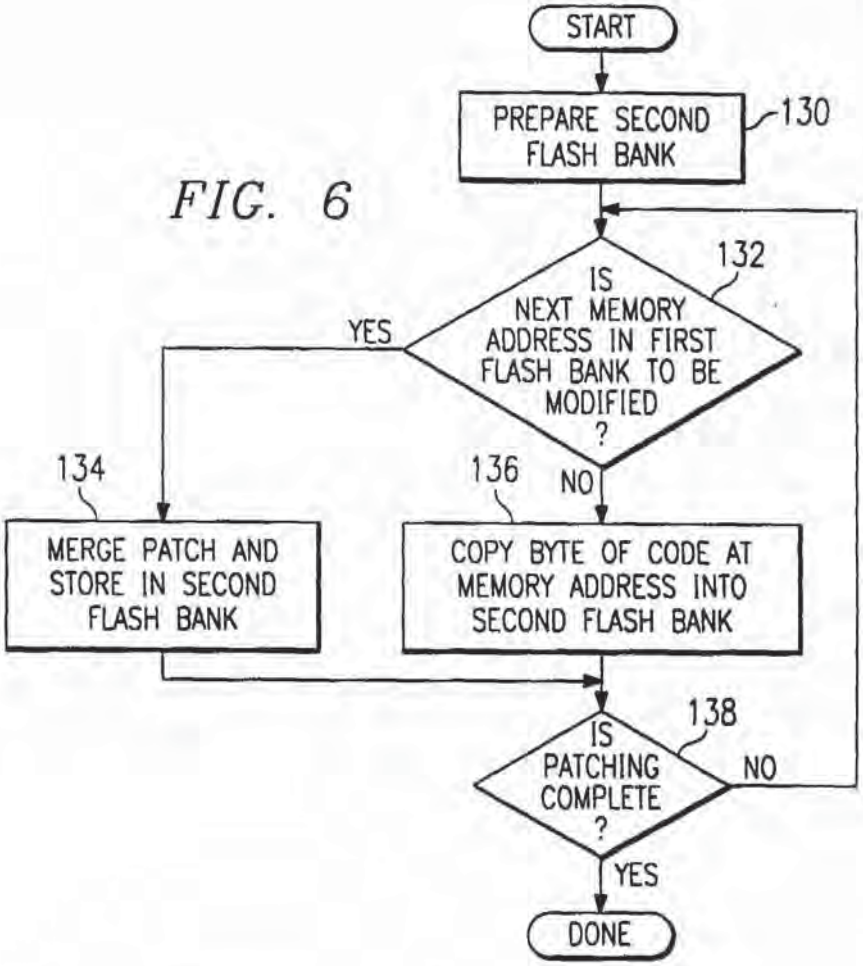
START
PREPARE SECOND FLASH BANK
130
IS NEXT MEMORY ADDRESS IN FIRST FLASH BANK TO BE MODIFIED ?
132
YES
NO
134
MERGE PATCH AND STORE IN SECOND FLASH BANK
136
COPY BYTE OF CODE AT MEMORY ADDRESS INTO SECOND FLASH BANK
IS PATCHING COMPLETE ?
138
NO
YES
DONE

FIG. 7

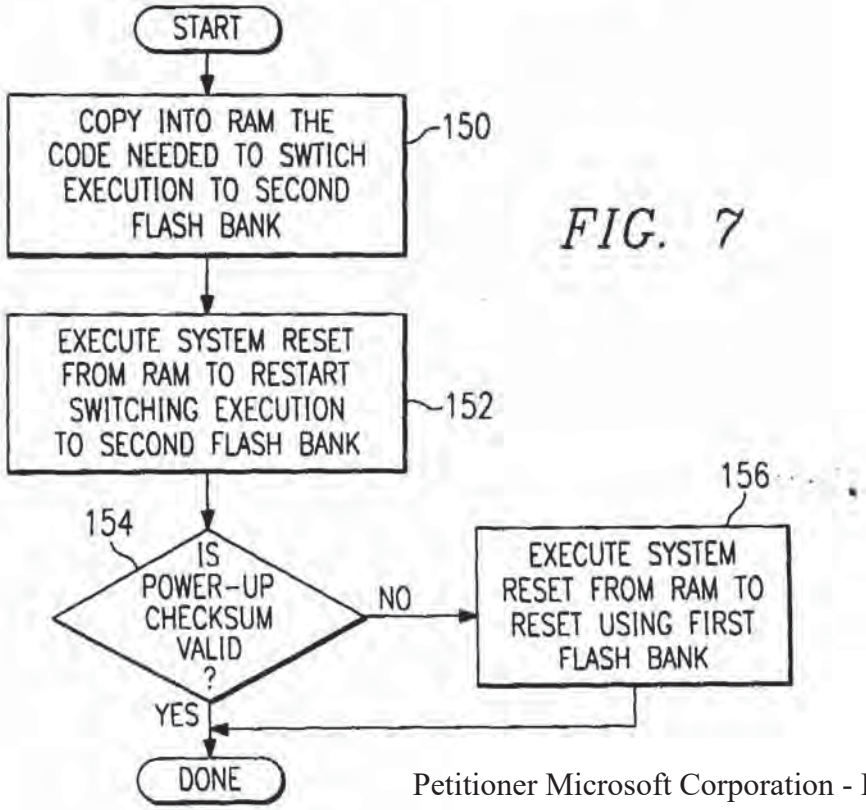
START
COPY INTO RAM THE CODE NEEDED TO SWTICH EXECUTION TO SECOND FLASH BANK
150
EXECUTE SYSTEM RESET FROM RAM TO RESTART SWITCHING EXECUTION TO SECOND FLASH BANK
152
154
IS POWER-UP CHECKSUM VALID ?
NO
156
EXECUTE SYSTEM RESET FROM RAM TO RESET USING FIRST FLASH BANK
YES
DONE

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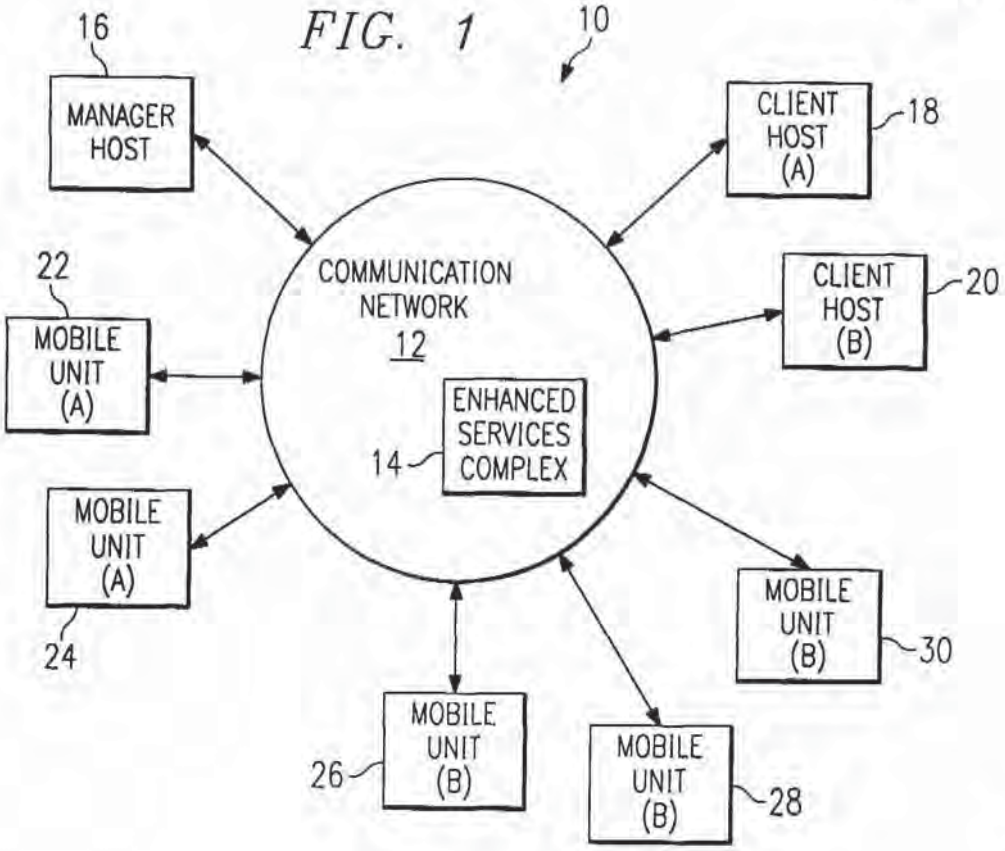
FIG. 1



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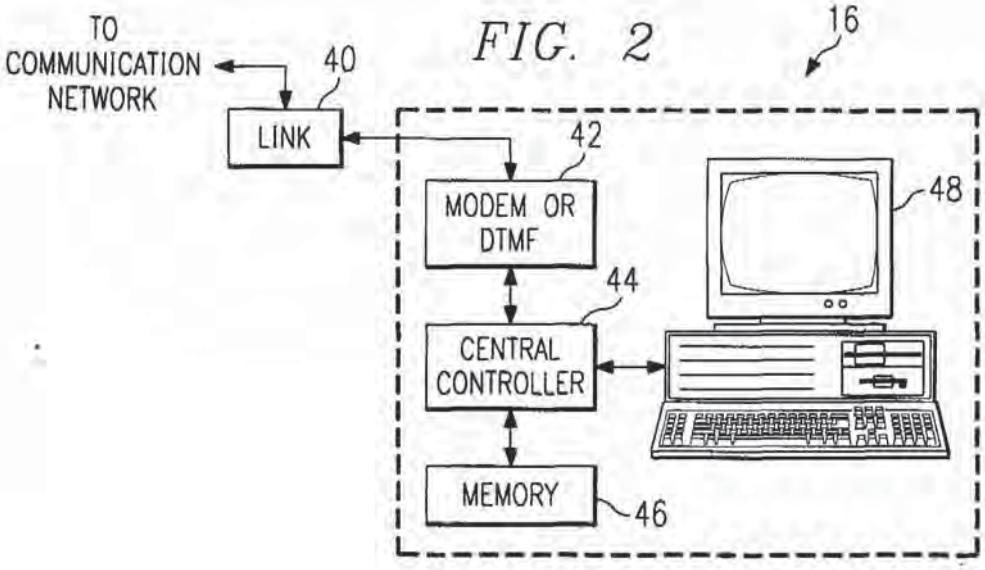

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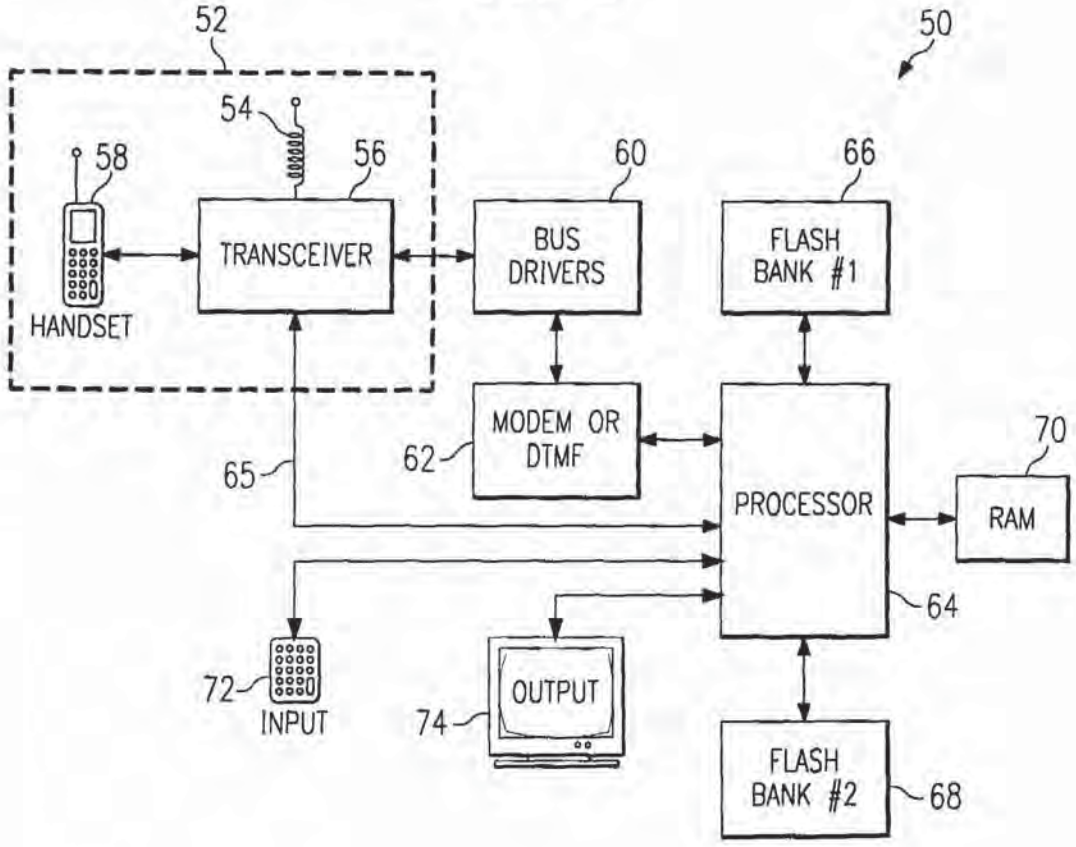

FIG. 4

MESSAGE	TYPE	MESSAGE FORMAT								
NEW PATCH FILE MESSAGE	0	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTE)	SOFTWARE VERSION (8 BYTES)	NUMBER OF PATCHES (1 BYTE)	MEMORY ADDRESS TO BE MODIFIED BY PATCH (4 BYTES)	STARTING ADDRESS IN PATCH MEMORY SPACE (4 BYTES)	NUMBER OF BYTES OF DATA (1 BYTE)	PATCH DATA (1-232 BYTES)	
APPEND PATCH MESSAGE	1	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTES)	MEMORY ADDRESS TO BE MODIFIED BY PATCH (4 BYTES)		STARTING ADDRESS IN PATCH MEMORY SPACE (4 BYTES)	NUMBER OF BYTES OF DATA (1 BYTE)	PATCH DATA (1-241 BYTES)		
APPEND DATA MESSAGE	2	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PATCH FILE ID (1 BYTE)	PATCH EXTENSION DATA (1-250 BYTES)						
DELETE UNINCORPORATED PATCHES MESSAGE	3	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)								
PREPARE FOR DOWNLOAD MESSAGE	4	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)								
DOWNLOAD MESSAGE	5	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	RECORD TYPE (2 BYTES)	RECORD LENGTH (1 BYTE)	STARTING ADDRESS (2-4 BYTES)	PROGRAM DATA (1-100 BYTES)				RECORD CHECKSUM (1 BYTE)
PROGRAM CHECKSUM MESSAGE	6	MESSAGE TYPE (1 BYTE)	PROGRAM CHECKSUM (2 BYTES)							

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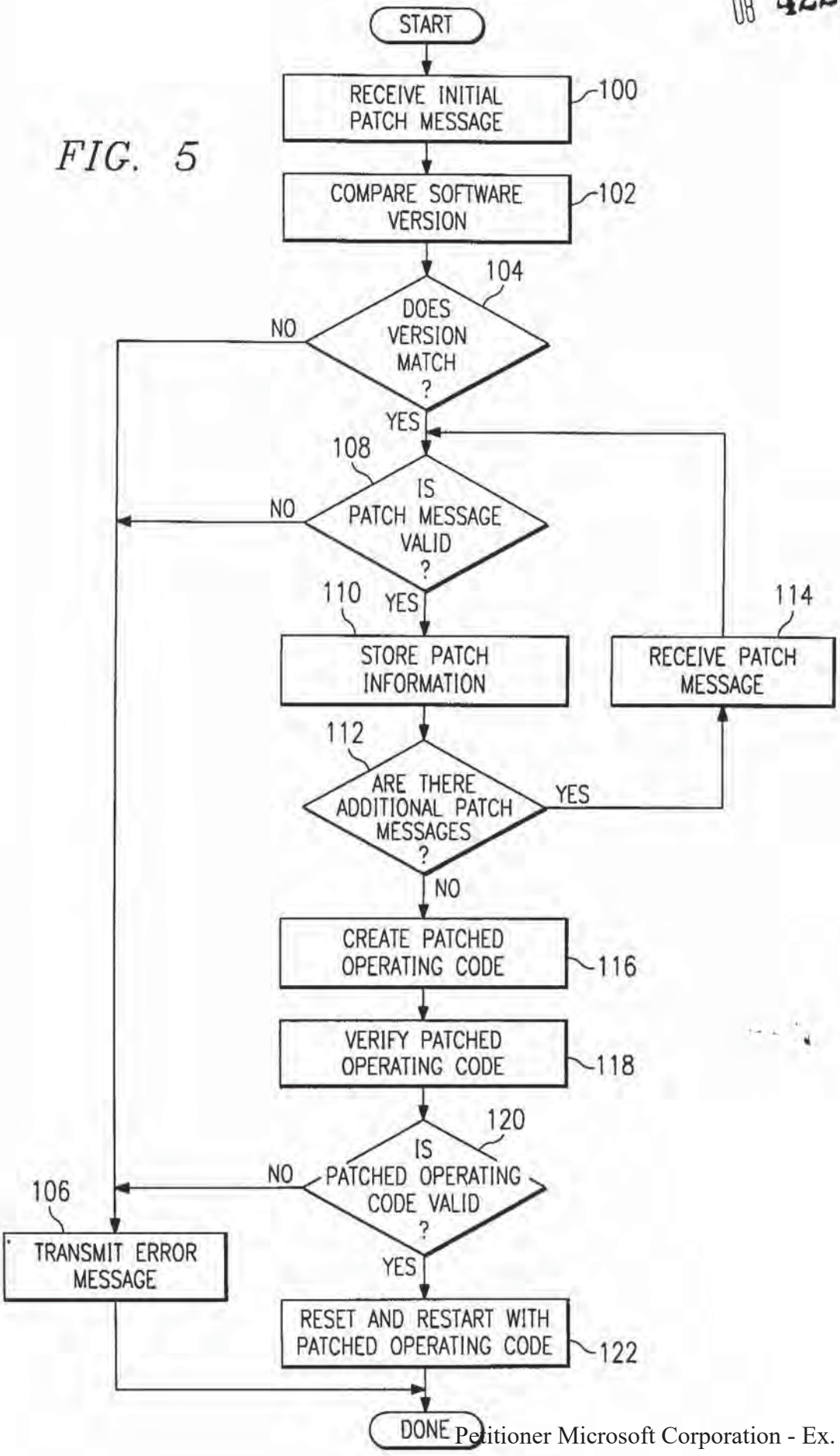
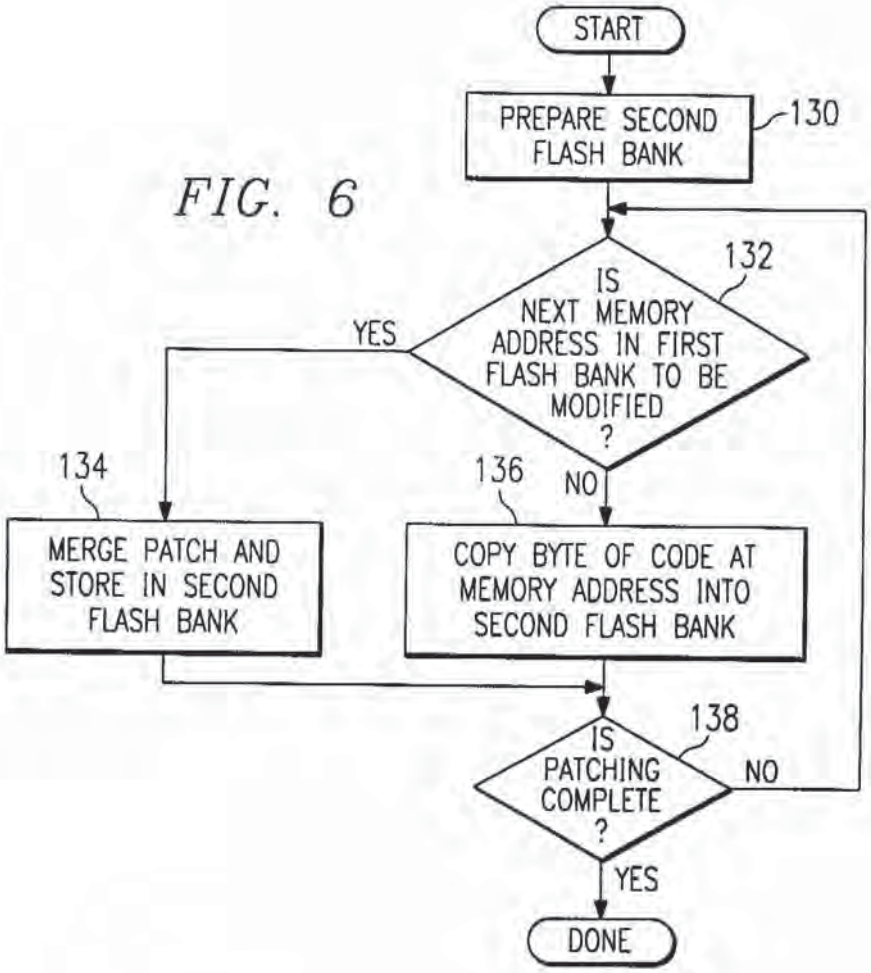
FIG. 5

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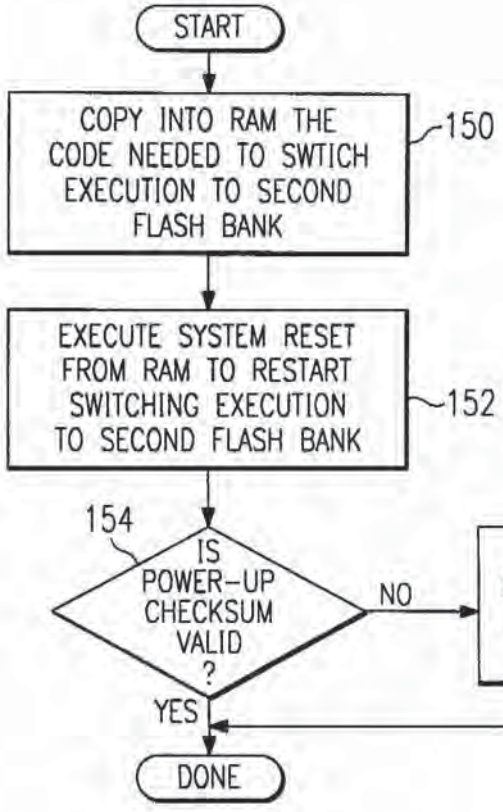
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YES
DONE

FIG. 7

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, that I believe I am an original and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT the specification of which is attached hereto; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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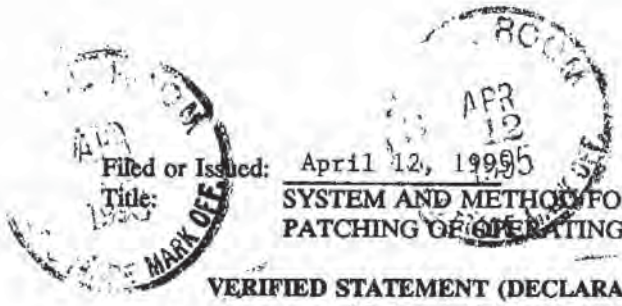

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c)) – SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

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I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT by inventors Dale E. Beasley, William C. Kennedy, III, and Kenneth R. Westerlage, described in the specification filed herewith.

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Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of this art is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that this art is material to patentability of the present application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of Applicants' above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosed is a copy of a PCT search report identifying U.S. Patent No. 5,371,692 issued to *Draeger, et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,430,877 issued to *Naylor*, and U.S. Patent No. 5,495,610 issued to *Shing, et al.* which are contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. The PCT search report has a mailing date of June 28, 1996. Therefore, I

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT OR THE DECLARATION

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 019743.0187	Date of Mailing *(day/month/year)* 28 JUN 1996 FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. PCT/US96/04505	International filing date *(day/month/year)* 01 APRIL 1996
Applicant HIGHWAYMASTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	

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1. [ ] **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

2. [ ] **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box II).

3. [ ] The international application contains disclosure of a **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing** and the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing
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4. With regard to the **title**,
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   - [X] the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

   REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE IN AMOBILE UNIT

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   - [ ] because this figure better characterizes the invention.
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y,P	US, A, 5,430,877 (NAYLOR) 04 July 1995, cols. 4-5.	1-42
Y, P	US, A, 5,495,610 (SHING et al.) 27 February 1996, cols.19-20.	1-35
Y	US, A, 5,155,847 (KIROUAC et al.) 13 October 1993, cols.7-8.	1-35
Y	US, A, 5,371,692 (DRAEGER et al.) 6 December 1994, col. 7, lines 52-61.	1-35

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	Examiner Kwang Bin Yao	Group Art Unit 2603

☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____.

☐ This action is **FINAL**.

☐ 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.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Disposition of Claims

☒ Claim(s) *1-42* is/are pending in the application.

Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

☒ Claim(s) *1-11, 16-19, 24, 28-32, and 35-39* is/are rejected.

☒ Claim(s) *12-15, 20-23, 25-27, 33, 34, and 40-42* is/are objected to.

☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

☒ See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

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

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Attachment(s)

☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). *2,3,4*

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☒ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 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 --
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> (e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371© of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

2. Claims 28-32 and 35-39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being clearly anticipated by Naylor (US 5,430,877).

Naylor discloses a reprogramming method comprising: receiving the issue number of software in the input terminal of the interface of handset B from other handset A (receiving at least one discrete patch message, transmitting discrete patch message through a communication network) via a cable loom to incorporating a link 46 (an enhanced service complex in a communication network); handset B compares its own software issue number (object code) with the software issue number received from A (step of verifying, processing the current operating code to determine whether a patch is to be made); the handset A having the updated version of the software commands the handset B to erase all older version software and updates the new version software for it (creating patched operating code by merging the one patch with the current operating code to create the patched operating code); saving the updating software in FLASH

Eprom memory in handset B (storing the patched operating code); after whole procedure of the updating software, the updated handset returns to normal operation using the updating software (switching execution to the patched operating code). (See columns 3-5, and Fig.1).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 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 negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 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 35 U.S.C. 103© and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

4. Claims 1-11, 16, and 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kirouac et al. (US 5,155,847).

Kirouac et al. discloses an apparatus for updating software at remote locations comprising: central computer 14 (a manager host, enhanced service complex); remote computers

12 receiving updating software (first mobile unit, second mobile unit, the mobile unit separately verifies the patch message, object code); patch P_N denoting all the changes made to a program, where N is the number of the patch (at least one discrete patch message collectively represent a patch file, at least one discrete patch message comprises one discrete patch message, one discrete patch message defines one patch to be made to the current operating code, one discrete patch message comprises a plurality of discrete patch message, at least one new patch file message, at least one append patch message); the first patch P made to any program is assigned to patch number 1 which is N=1 (a new patch file message operable to define a first patch to be made to current operating code); the second patch made to any program is assigned patch number 2 which is N=2 (an append patch message operable to define an additional patch); the patch number and assigned code denotes the patch information(an append data message). (See columns 4 and 5, and Fig.1). Kirouac et al. does not disclose the apparatus for mobile unit in wireless communication network. It would have been obvious to one of the ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to implement the apparatus in wireless communication network, as taught by Kirouac et al., in order to update software stored in the mobile unit whenever it is needed.

5. Claims 17-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Naylor (US 5,430,877).

Naylor discloses a reprogramming apparatus comprising: reprogrammable memory 10A (a memory) which stores a software (object code) controlling the operation of microprocessor 10A; transmitting and receiving circuitry (a receiver); microprocessor 5A (a processor) contains a small

amount of memory indicated at 8A (second memory). (See Fig. 1 and columns 3-5). Naylor discloses this reprogramming apparatus by using a cable loom to incorporate a link 46 between cellular phone handsets instead of implementing it under a wireless communication link. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to implement the reprogramming apparatus in the wireless communication link as taught by Naylor, in order to provide instant and convenient procedure for updating software in mobile communication equipments.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 12-15, 20-23, 25-27, 33-34, and 40-42 are objected to as being 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.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kwang Bin Yao whose telephone number is (703) 308-7583. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:30 to 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Olms, can be reached on (703) 305-4703. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 305-9509.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-4700.

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Nov. 19, 1996

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NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S PATENT DRAWING REVIEW

PTO Draftpersons review all originally filed drawings regardless of whether they are designated as formal or informal. Additionally, patent Examiners will review the drawings for compliance with the regulations. Direct telephone inquiries concerning this review to the Drawing Review Branch, 703-305-8404.

The drawings filed (insert date) 4/12/95, are
A. ✓ not objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.
B. ___ objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 as indicated below. The Examiner will require submission of new, corrected drawings when necessary. Corrected drawings must be submitted according to the instructions on the back of this Notice.

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ATENT APPLICATION

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Filing Date:	April 12, 1995
Group Art Unit:	2603
Examiner:	Yao, K.
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed November 21, 1996 (Paper No. 5), Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and the remarks as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS[1]:

1. **(Amended)** A system for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit, comprising:

a manager host operable to initiate transmission through a wireless communication network of at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch; **[and]**

a first mobile unit operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message, the first mobile unit further operable

[1] (Note that all claims not canceled by this Amendment have been included, whether amended or not, for the convenience of the Examiner in reviewing the Amendment).

to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the first mobile unit and to switch execution to the patched operating code; and

a second mobile unit operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message, the second mobile unit further operable to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the second mobile unit and to switch execution to the patched operating code; and

wherein the manager host is further operable to address the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to the first mobile unit but not to the second mobile unit.

2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the current operating code and the patched operating code comprise object code for a processor located in the first mobile unit.

3. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message collectively represent a patch file that defines the at least one patch.

4. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message comprises one discrete patch message.

5. The system of Claim 4, wherein the one discrete patch message defines one patch to be made to the current operating code.

6. The system of Claim 1, wherein the at least one discrete patch message comprises a plurality of discrete patch messages.

7. The system of Claim 6, wherein the at least one discrete patch message defines a plurality of patches to be made to the current operating code.

8. The system of Claim 7, wherein the at least one discrete patch message includes at least one new patch file message and at least one append patch message.

9. The system of Claim 8, wherein the at least one discrete patch message further includes at least one append data message.

10. The system of Claim 1, wherein the mobile unit separately verifies the at least one discrete patch message.

11. The system of Claim 1, wherein the mobile unit separately verifies the at least one discrete patch message, and the mobile unit verifies the patched operating code.

12. **(Amended)** The system of Claim 1, **[further comprising:**

a second mobile unit operable to receive the at least one patch message, the second mobile unit further operable to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with current operating code located in the second mobile unit and to switch execution to the patched operating code; and]

wherein the manager host is further operable to address **[the at least one]** **another** discrete patch message such that the **[at least one]** **other** discrete patch message is transmitted to the **second** **[first]** mobile unit but not to the **first** **[second]** mobile unit.

13. **(Amended)** The system of Claim **1** **[12]**, wherein the first mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

14. **(Amended)** The system of Claim **1** **[12]**, wherein the manager host is further operable to address the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to the first mobile unit and to the second mobile unit.

15. The system of Claim 14, wherein the first mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

16. The system of Claim 1, wherein the wireless communication network includes an enhanced services complex operable to establish communication with the first mobile unit and to transmit the at least one patch message to the first mobile unit.

17. **(Amended)** A mobile unit, comprising:

a memory operable to store current operating code;

a receiver operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message transmitted through a wireless communication network, the at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to the current operating code; **[and]**

a processor coupled to the memory and to the receiver, the processor operable to execute the current operating code, to process the at least one discrete patch message, to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code, and to switch execution to the patched operating code;

a second memory coupled to the processor; and

a third memory coupled to the processor;

and wherein the processor is further operable to store patch information provided by the at least one discrete patch message in the second memory and to store the patched operating code in the third memory after the patched operating code is created.

18. The system of Claim 17, wherein the current operating code and the patched operating code comprise object code for the processor.

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~~19.~~ **(Amended)** **[The system of Claim 17, further comprising:]** **A mobile unit, comprising:**

a first memory operable to store current operating code;

a receiver operable to receive the at least one discrete patch message transmitted through a wireless communication network, the at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to the current operating code;

a processor coupled to the first memory and to the receiver, the processor operable to execute the current operating code, to process the at least one discrete patch message, to create patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code, and to switch execution to the patched operating code; and

a second memory coupled to the processor; and

wherein the processor is further operable to store patch information provided by the at least one discrete patch message in the second memory.

20. The system of Claim 19, further comprising:

a third memory coupled to the processor; and

wherein the processor is further operable to store the patched operating code in the third memory after the patched operating code is created.

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~~21.~~ **(Amended)** The system of Claim **17** **[20]**, wherein the processor is further operable to switch execution between the first memory and the third memory.

22. The system of Claim 21, wherein the processor is further operable to switch execution between the first memory and the third memory after a system reset.

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~~23.~~ **(Amended)** The system of Claim **17** **[20]**, wherein the first memory comprises a first flash bank, the second memory comprises a random-access memory, and the third memory comprises a second flash bank.

24. **(Amended)** A set of discrete patch messages for defining a plurality of patches to be made to current operating code located in a mobile unit, comprising:

a new patch file message operable to define a first patch to be made to current operating code;

an append patch message operable to define an additional patch to be made to the current operating code; and

an append data message operable to extend patch definition information**; and**

wherein the new patch file message comprises information including a patch file ID, a software version, a number of patches, and first patch data.

25. **(Amended)** The set of patch messages of Claim 24, wherein the new patch file message **further** comprises **message type, memory address to be modified by patch, starting address in patch memory space, and number of bytes of data [patch file ID, a software version, a number of patches, and first patch data]**.

26. **(Amended)** The set of patch messages of Claim **24 [25]**, wherein the append patch message comprises information including a patch file ID, and additional patch data.

27. The set of patch messages of Claim 26, wherein the append data message comprises information including a patch file ID, and patch extension data.

28. **(Amended)** A method of operation of a mobile unit for remote patching of operating code, comprising:

receiving at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to current operating code located in the mobile unit;

creating patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code to create the patched operating code; and

switching execution to the patched operating code**, wherein switching execution comprises:**

copying boot code into a first memory;

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executing a system reset from the first memory such that execution is switched from a second memory to a third memory; and

restarting using patched operating code in the third memory.

29. The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of creating comprises creating patched operating code comprising object code for a processor located in the mobile unit.

30. The method of Claim 28, further comprising the step of verifying each patch message after the step of receiving.

31. The method of Claim 28, further comprising the step of verifying the patched operating code after the step of creating.

32. The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of creating patched operating code comprises the steps of:

processing the current operating code byte-by-byte to determine whether a patch is to be made to each byte of the current operating code; and

storing the patched operating code in a memory byte-by-byte as the current operating code is processed.

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~~33.~~ (Amended) A method of operation of a mobile unit for remote patching of operating code, comprising:

receiving at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch to be made to current operating code located in the mobile unit;

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creating patched operating code by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code to create the patched operating code;

verifying the patched operating code after the step of creating; and

switching execution to the patched operating code [The method of Claim 28, wherein the step of switching comprises the steps of:

copying boot code into a first memory;

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executing a system reset from the first memory such that execution is switched from a second memory to a third memory; and

restarting using patched operating code in the third memory].

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~~34~~. **(Amended)** The method of Claim 28 **[33]**, further comprising the step of validating patched operating code executed from the third memory.

35. **(Amended)** A method for remote patching of operating code located in a mobile unit, comprising:

transmitting at least one discrete patch message defining at least one patch through a communication network;

receiving the at least one patch message in a first mobile unit, the first mobile unit executing current operating code located in the first mobile unit;

creating patched operating code in the first mobile unit by merging the at least one patch with the current operating code; **[and]**

switching execution in the first mobile unit to the patched operating code; and

wherein the step of transmitting further comprises addressing the at least one discrete patch message such that the at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to the first mobile unit but not to a second mobile unit.

36. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of creating comprises creating patched operating code comprising object code for a processor located in the first mobile unit.

37. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of receiving comprises separately verifying the at least one discrete patch message.

38. The method of Claim 37, wherein the step of switching comprises verifying the patched operating code.

39. The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of transmitting is accomplished using an enhanced services complex in a communication network.

40. **(Amended)** The method of Claim 35, wherein the step of transmitting further comprises addressing **[the at least one]** **another** discrete patch message such that the **[at least one]** **other** discrete patch message is transmitted to **a second** **[the first]** mobile unit but not to **the first** **[a second]** mobile unit.

41. **(Amended)** The method of Claim **35** **[40]**, wherein the first mobile unit is associated with a first client host, and the second mobile unit is associated with a second client host.

42. **(Amended)** The method of Claim **35** **[40]**, wherein the first mobile unit and the second mobile unit are associated with a first client host.

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the time taken by the Examiner to review Applicants' present application. Claims 1, 12-14, 17, 19, 21, 23-26, 28, 33-35, and 40-42 have been amended. Applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 17, 24, 28, and 35 to incorporate the allowable subject matter formerly contained in Claims 12, 20, 25, 33, and 40. Claims 19 and 33 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's rejection. Applicants' respectfully request reconsideration and full allowance of all pending claims.

Allowable Subject Matter:

The Examiner stated that Claims 12-15, 20-23, 25-27, 33-34, and 40-42 would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have amended Claims 1, 17, 24, 28, and 35 to incorporate the allowable subject matter formerly contained in Claims 12, 20, 25, 33, and 40. Claims 2-16, 18, 20-23, 25-27, 29-32, 34, and 36-42 have been amended as necessary so that these claims now depend from corresponding independent Claims 1, 17, 24, 28, and 35. As such, Claims 2-16, 18, 20-23, 25-27, 29-32, 34, and 36-42 are patentably distinct as a further limitation upon those independent claims. Applicants therefore respectfully request entry of the above amendments and full allowance of Claims 1-18, 20-32, and 34-42.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 33, as amended, incorporates the elements of former Claim 28 which stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,430,877, issued to Naylor ("Naylor").

Claim 33, as amended, recites a method of operation of a mobile unit for remote patching of operating code that includes a step of "verifying the patched operating code after the step of creating." Naylor replaces entire versions of operating code, rather than creating patched operating code as recited in Claim 33. As stated by the Examiner on page 2 of

the Office Action, Naylor teaches erasing "all older version software." Moreover, Naylor does not perform a subsequent verification of the code. Naylor merely verifies, prior to copying, that the new code is a version of the old code. Thus, Naylor does not verify patched operating code after creation.

Applicants therefore respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of Claim 33, as amended.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claim 19 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,430,877, issued to Naylor ("Naylor").

Claim 19, as amended, recites a mobile unit comprising a first memory operable to store current operating code, a receiver to receive patch messages, a processor, and a second memory coupled to the processor, "wherein the processor is further operable to store patch information provided by the at least one discrete patch message in the second memory." Again, Naylor does not disclose, teach, or suggest the creation of patched operating code. In addition, Naylor does not disclose, teach, or suggest a system having a processor that stores patch information in a second memory, or a second memory for storing patch information. Naylor does not teach or suggest that the "small amount of memory" associated with microprocessor 8A stores any patch information or other provisioning data relating to the patched code.

Applicants therefore respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of Claim 19, as amended.

Consideration of IDS

Applicants point out that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, filed August 31, 1995, does not appear among the Information Disclosure Statements the Examiner indicated as considered. Applicants enclose a copy of the August 31, 1995 Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, as filed. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner consider the August 31, 1995 Supplemental IDS.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have now made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker & Botts, L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Dale E. Beasley, et al.
Serial No.: 08/422,075
Filing Date: April 12, 1995
Group Art Unit: 2312
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of this art is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that this art is material to patentability of the present application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of Applicants' above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

Respectfully submitted,
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FORM PTO-1449 (REV. 7-80)	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 019743.0165	SERIAL NO. 08/422,075
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Notice of Allowability

Application No.	Applicant(s)
08/422,075	Beasley et al.
Examiner	**Group Art Unit**
Kwang Bin Yao	2603

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

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☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are *1-42, renumbered 1-18, 22, 23, 19, 20, 21, 24-32, 34,33,35-42*.

☒ The drawings filed on *Apr 12, 1995* are acceptable.

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☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

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☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

None of the prior art discloses the following features in a system for remote patching of operating code: a manager host is operable to address at least one discrete patch message such that at least one discrete patch message is transmitted to a first mobile unit but not to a second mobile unit recited in claim 1; a processor is operable to store patch information provided by at least one discrete patch message in a second memory and to store a patched operating code in a third memory after the patched operating code is created recited in claim 17; a new patch file message comprises information including a patch file ID, a software version, a number of patches, and first patch data recited in claim 24; steps of copying boot code into a first memory, executing a system reset from the first memory, restarting using patched operating code in the third memory recited in claim 28; step of addressing at least one discrete patch message such that the least one discrete patch message is transmitted to a first mobile unit but not to a second mobile unit recited in claim 35.

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Dear Sir:

TRANSMITTAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

A Supplemental Declaration is transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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	Serial No.:	08/422,075
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	Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PATCHING OF OPERATING CODE LOCATED IN A MOBILE UNIT
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Dear Sir:

U. S. Patent No. 5,699,275 has been proofread against our file for printing errors. The printing errors which are noted on the enclosed Certificate of Correction (Form PTO-1050) have been found.

These corrections are not due to Applicants' error. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker & Botts, L.L.P.

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PATENT NO. : 5,699,275

DATED : December 16, 1997

INVENTOR(S) : Beasley, *et al.*

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 15, line 13, delete "executing", and insert -- execution --.

Column 15, line 58, delete "execution", and insert -- executing --.

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DATE : 3-26-98

TO : Supervisor, Art Unit 2603

SUBJECT : Certificate of Correction Request in Patent No. 5699275

A response to the following question(s) is requested with respect to the accompanying request for a certificate of correction.

☑ 1. Would the change(s) requested under 37 CFR 1.323 constitute new matter or require reexamination of the application?

☑ 2. Would the change(s) requested under 37 CFR 1.323 materially affect the scope or meaning of the claims allowed by the examiner in the patent?

☐ 3. Applicant disagrees with change(s) initialed and dated by Examiner in lieu of an Examiner's Amendment. Should the change request be granted?

☐ 4. With respect to the change(s) requested, correcting Office errors, should the patent read as shown in the certificate of correction?

☐ 5. If the amendment filed _____ had been considered by the Examiner, would the amendment have been entered?

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TO: CERTIFICATES OF CORRECTION BRANCH | DATE: 4/2/98

The decision regarding the change(s) requested in the certificate of correction is shown below.

1.	☐ YES	☑ NO	☐ Comments below
2.	☐ YES	☑ NO	☐ Comments below
3.	☐ YES	☐ NO	☐ Comments below
4.	☐ YES	☐ NO	☐ Comments below
5.	☐ YES	☐ NO	☐ Comments below

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Second Request

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Our File: 019743.0165

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On the attached Certificate of Correction, please note the change to Column 15, line 13. We previously incorrectly requested a change to this word. We have requested with this Certificate of Correction to change the text to read as originally published.

We are also requesting a change to Column 15, line 58. This correction is not due to Applicants' error.

The fee for the correction under 37 CFR §1.20(a) is $100.00 and paid with the enclosed check for $100.00 for the correction to Column 15, line 13. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker & Botts, L.L.P.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

FOR	(Column 1) NUMBER FILED	(Column 2) NUMBER EXTRA
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TOTAL CLAIMS	42 minus 20 =	* 22
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	5 minus 3 =	* 2
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

SMALL ENTITY RATE	SMALL ENTITY FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY RATE	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY FEE
	365.00	OR		730.00
x$11=	242.00	OR	x$22=	
x38=	76.00	OR	x76=	
+120=		OR	+240=	
TOTAL	683.00	OR	TOTAL	

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT A

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

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