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## [54] INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS INCLUDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACTIVATION TO AND DEACTIVATION FROM A POWER-SAVING STATE

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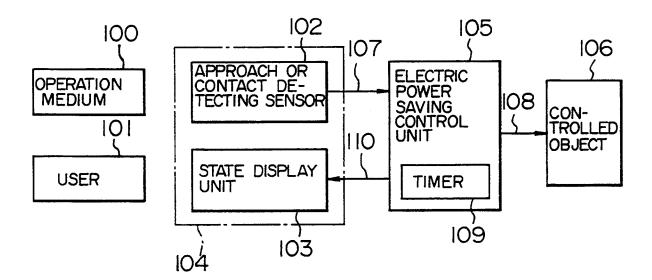
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#### [57] ABSTRACT

An information processing apparatus can save an electric power when it is not in use and can be made active immediately after an operation medium such as a pen and a finger or the user approaches or comes in contact with the apparatus, the arrangement being such that a housing portion of the apparatus includes therein a sensor for detecting the approach or contact of a user operation medium or user and a state display unit for informing the user that the apparatus is in the active state or in the standby state, a power saving control unit controls a controlled object concerning a power consumption in response to the approach, contact or separation of the operation medium or user, and a timer included in the electric power saving control unit determines whether or not the operation medium or user is separate from the apparatus.

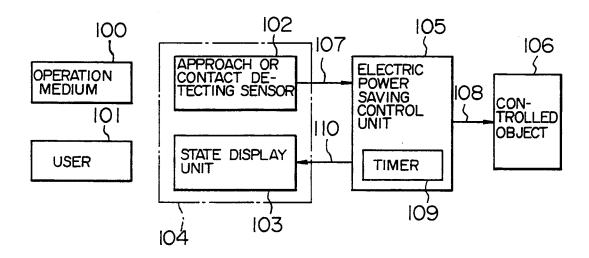
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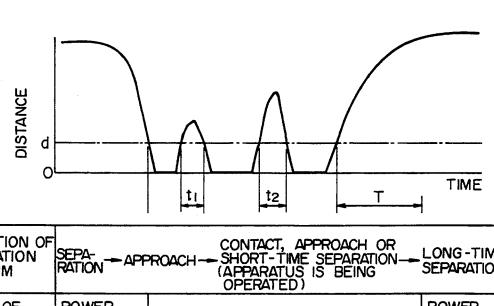


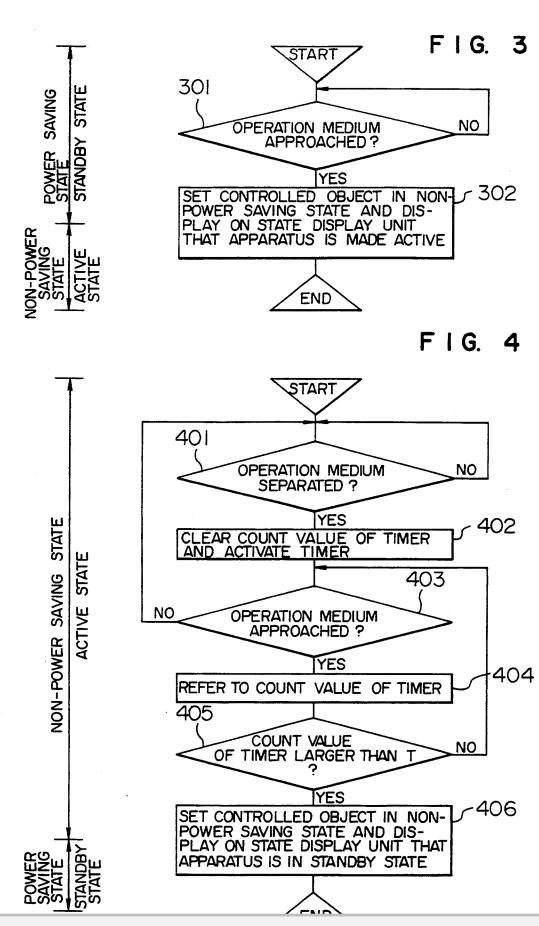
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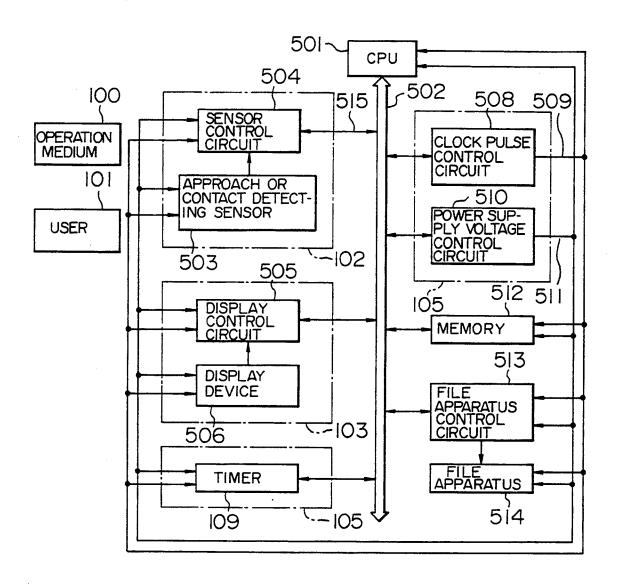
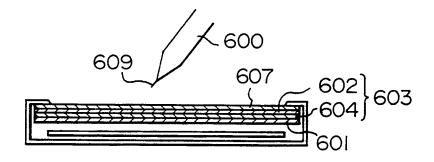


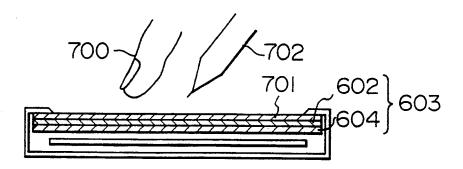
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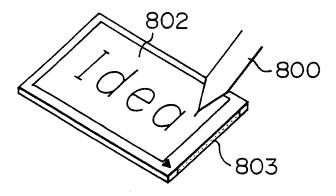


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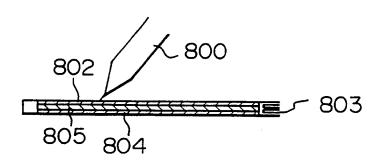
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