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(54) **SCROLL WHEEL DEVICE FOR PORTABLE COMPUTERS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A portable notebook computer includes a base having an exterior surface. A keyboard is mounted on the exterior surface. A palmrest area is mounted on the exterior surface adjacent the keyboard. A scroll device is mounted in the exterior surface adjacent the palmrest area. The scroll device includes a first portion protruding from the exterior surface, and a second portion extending through the exterior surface and recessed into the base. The scroll device is bi-directionally rotatable relative to the exterior surface and resiliently depressible into the base.

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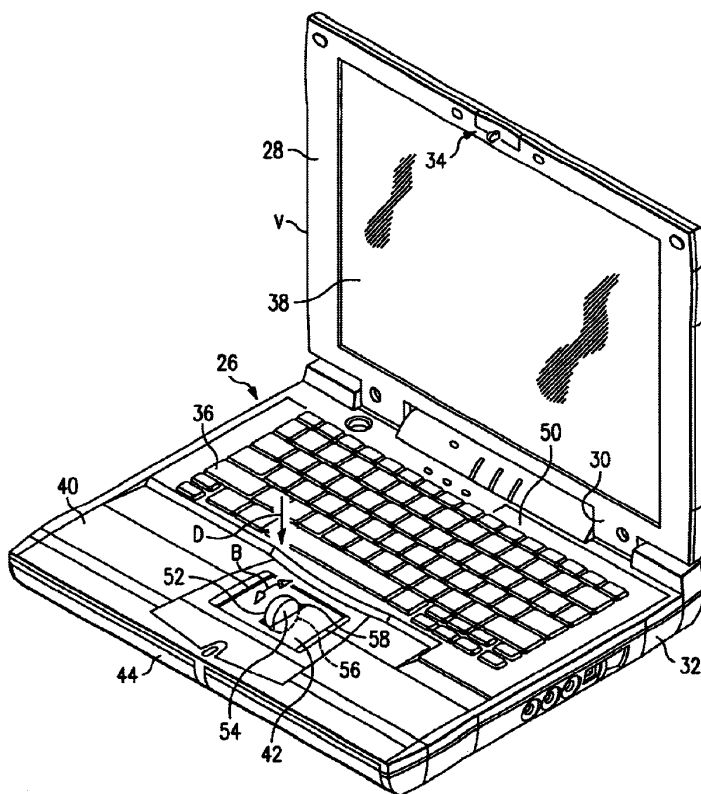


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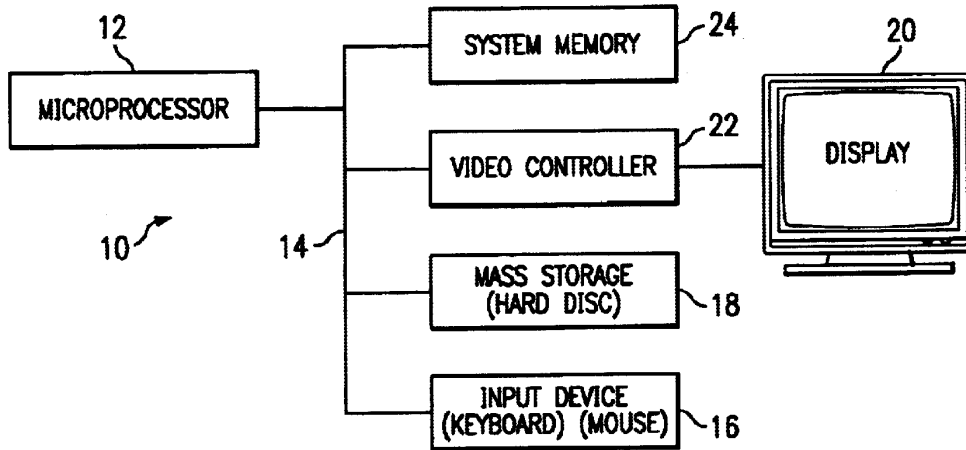
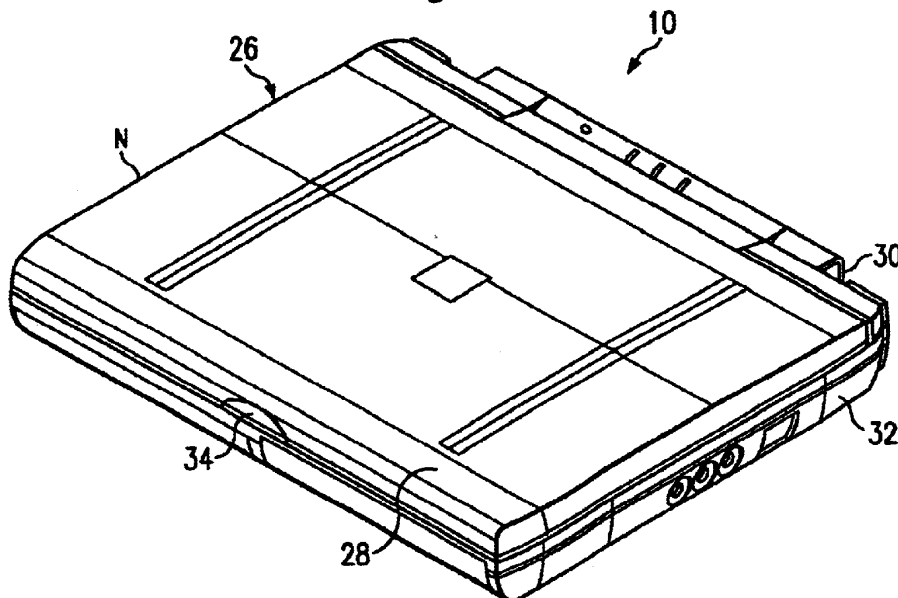


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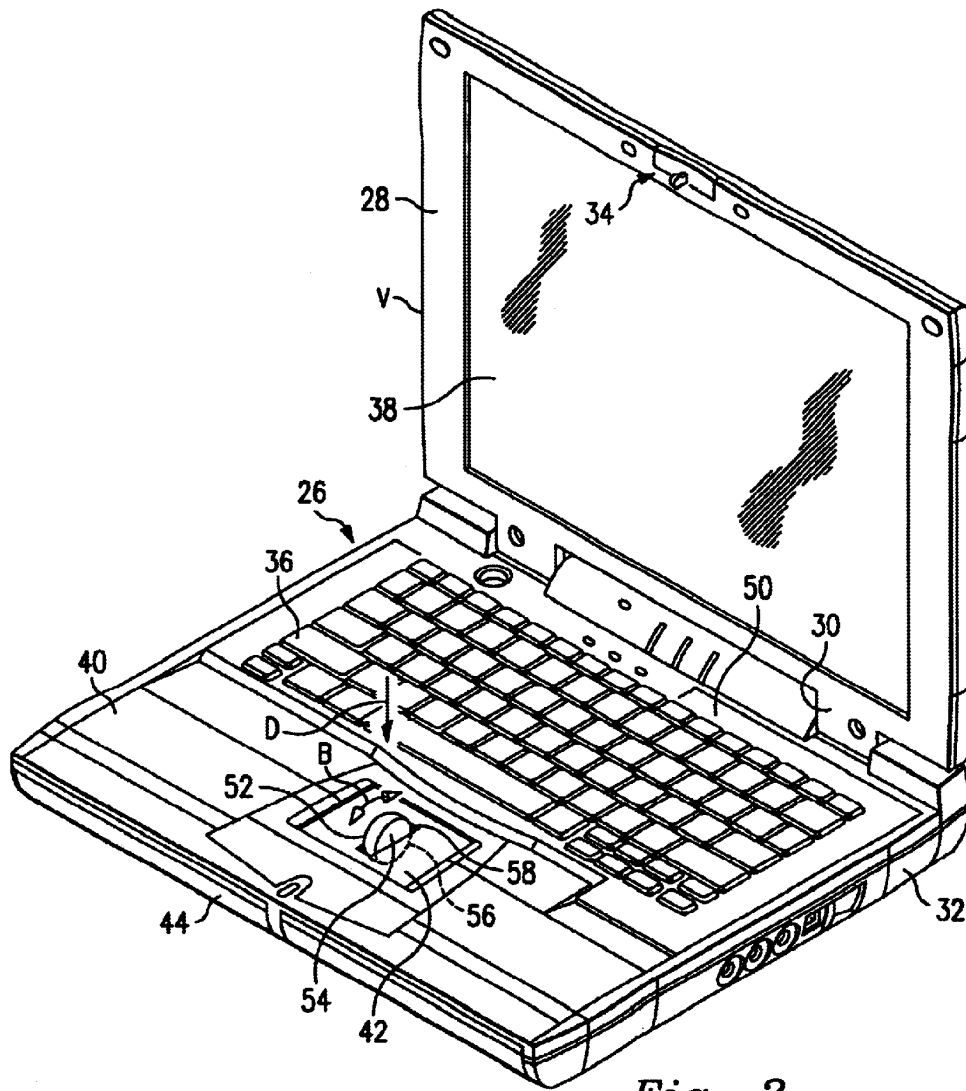


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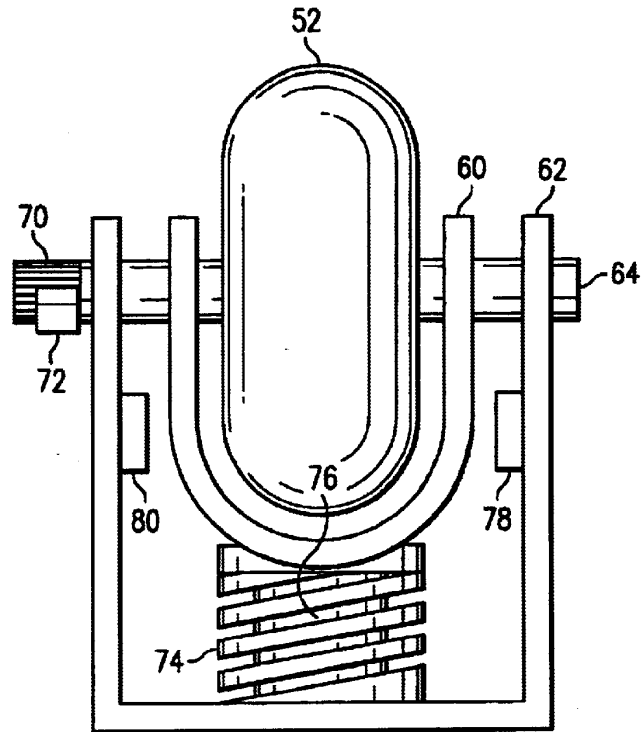


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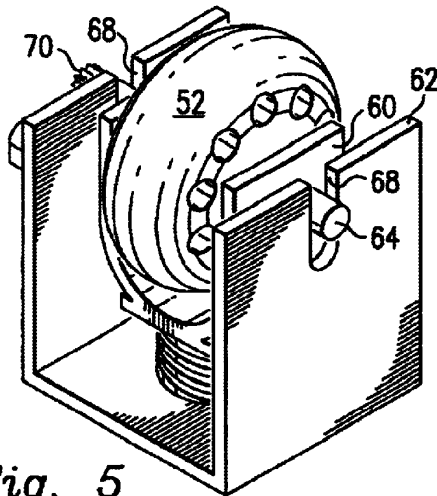


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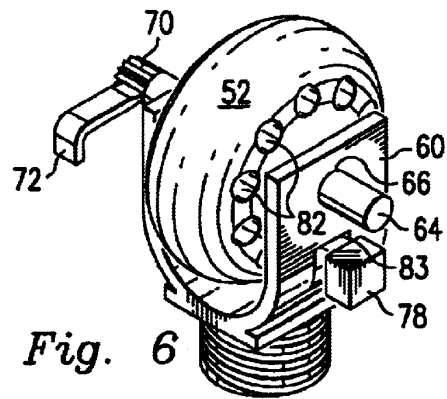


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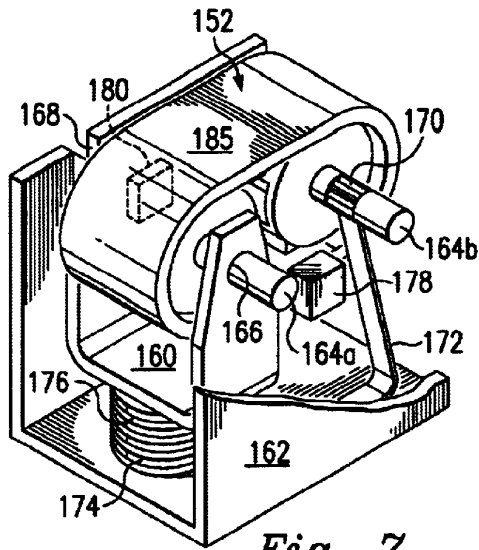


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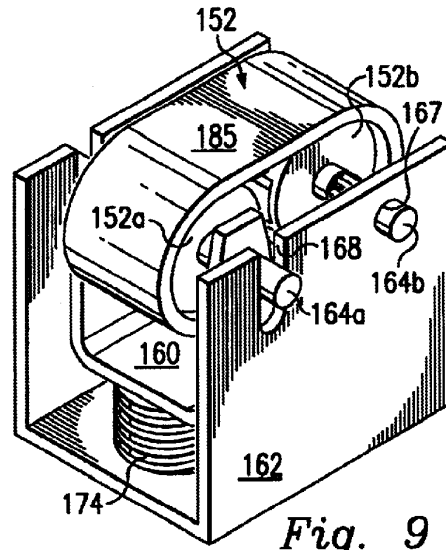


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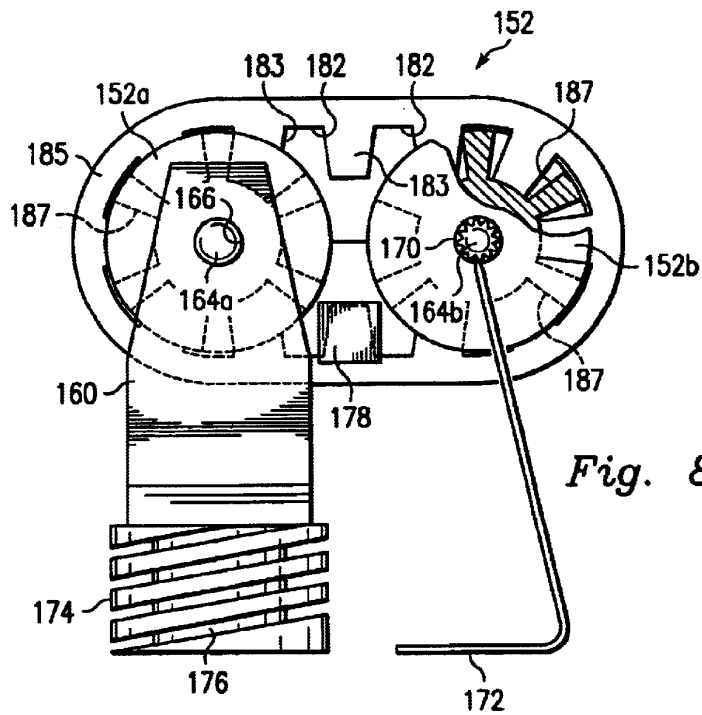


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