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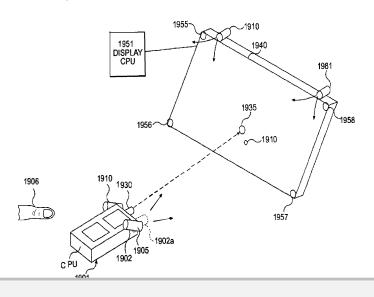
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(57) ABSTRACT

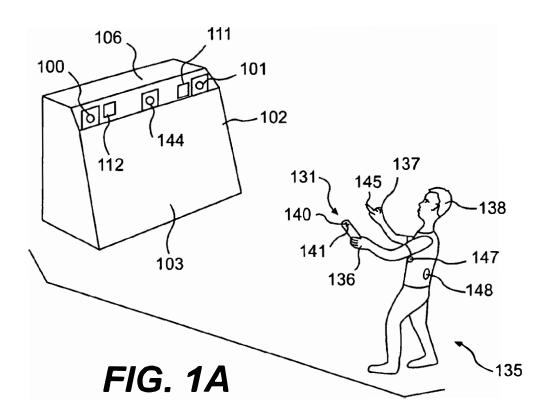
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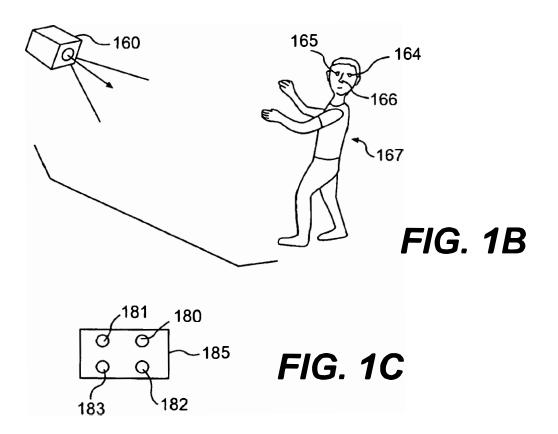
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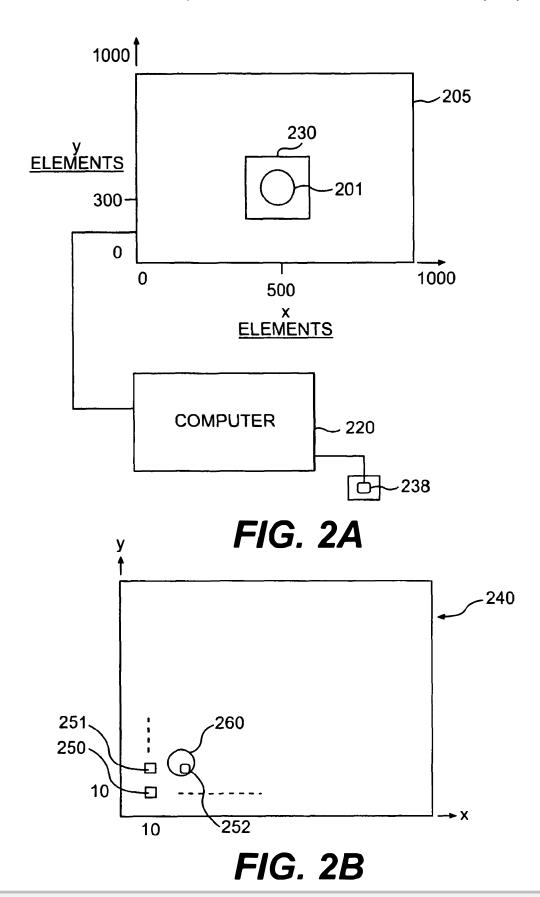














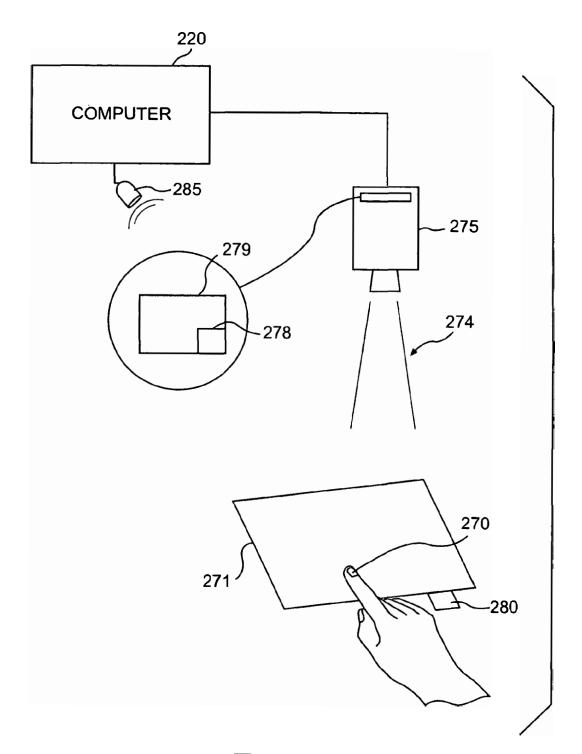


FIG. 2C



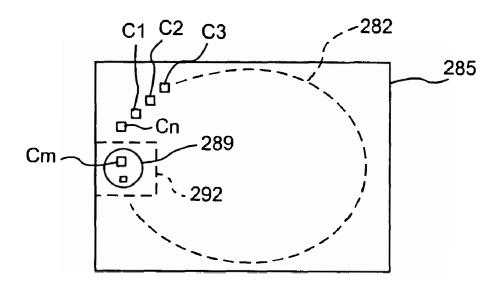


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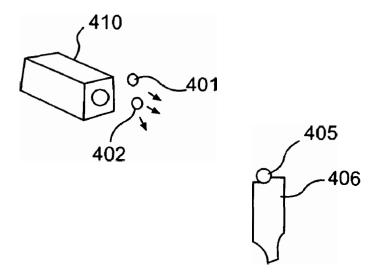


FIG. 4A



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