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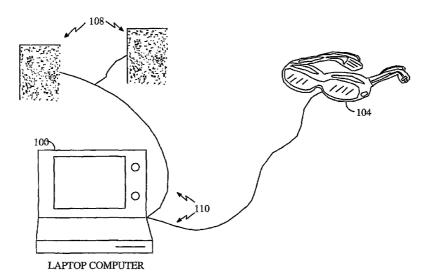
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(54) Title: GENERATING AND IMPLEMENTING A SIGNAL PROTOCOL AND INTERFACE FOR HIGHER DATA RATES



(57) Abstract: A data Interface for transferring digital data between a host (100) and a client (104,108) over a communication path (110) using packet structures linked together to form a communication protocol for communicating a pre-selected set of digital control and presentation data. The signal protocol is used by link controllers configured to generate, transmit, and receive packets forming the communications protocol, and to form digital data into one or more types of data packets, with at least one residing in the host device (100) and being coupled to the client (104,108) through the communications path (110). The interface provides a cost-effective, low power, bi-directional, high-speed data transfer mechanism over a short-range "serial" type data link, which lends itself to implementation with miniature connectors and thin flexible cables which are especially useful in connecting display elements such as wearable micro-displays (104) to portable computers (100) and wireless communication devices (102).

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-48

Claims 1-48 are directed to transferring high rate digital presentation data between a host device and a client device. This is done by using a communication protocol. However claims 1-48 present no special technical features in the sense of Rule 13.2 PCT, since they are not novel over the disclosure of the closest prior art document D1.

2. claims: 26 and 59-65

Claims 26 and 59-65 are directed to faster link wake up procedure. This is done by using current clock rate, instead of falling back to the minimum 1 Mbps clock rate, as disclosed in D1 (special technical features disclosed in claim 59).

3. claim: 26 and 66

Claims 26 and 66 are directed to improving the reliability of the reverse link between the host and the client. This is done by sampling the data line on both rising and falling edges during the reverse timing packet (special technical features of claim 66 over the disclosure of D1).

4. claims: 49-58

Claims 49-58 are directed to synchronization in an electronic system. This is done by using a state machine having at least one Acquiring synchronization state and at least two In-Sync synchronization states.

5. claims: 67-70

Claims 67-70 are directed to transferring error codes in a communication system. This is done by overwriting CRC value of a packet in case of detecting an error.

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