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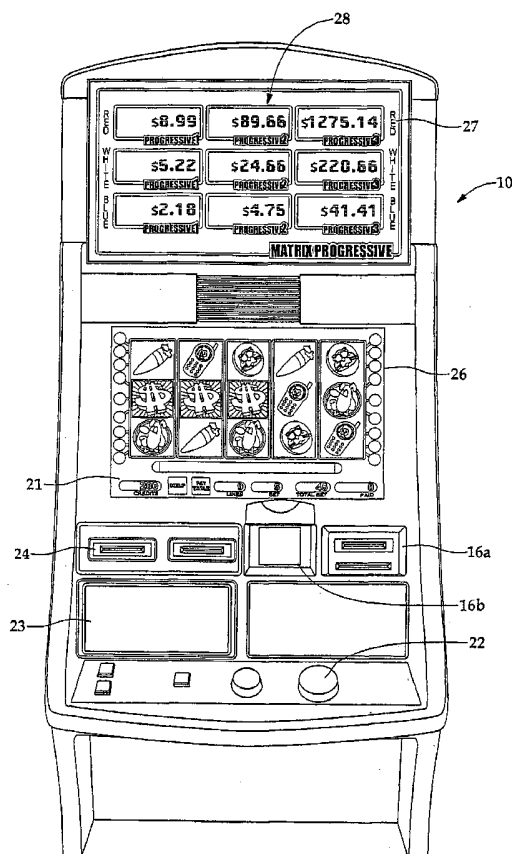
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(54) Title: WAGERING GAME HAVING PROGRESSIVE AMOUNTS DISPLAYED IN A MATRIX

(57) Abstract: A method for playing a wagering game on a gam-
ing terminal (10). The wagering game allows a player to be eli-
gible to win a plurality of progressive jackpots. The plurality of
progressive jackpots (28) can be arranged in columns and rows of
a matrix, or can be displayed with other characteristics for identi-
fication (27), such as color, shapes, or alpha-numeric characters.
The method includes conducting a wagering game having a ran-
domly selected outcome. The player can be awarded two progres-
sive jackpots in response to the randomly selected outcome being
a single multiple-jackpot winning outcome. Further, the progres-
sive jackpots that are achieved can be identified by their associated
characteristics, which are displayed to the player.





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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

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BOX III. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate additional examination fees must be paid.

Group I, claim(s) 1-66, 84-96 drawn to a plurality of progressive jackpots in a matrix.

Group II, claim(s) 67-78, drawn to a second reel set for displaying symbols corresponding to the progressive jackpots.

Group III, claim(s) 79-83, drawn to player with an option of awarding a player or reselecting in order to receive one of the remaining progressive jackpots.

The inventions listed as Groups I through III do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Group I lacks the corresponding special technical features of: 1) a second reel set for displaying symbols corresponding to the progressive jackpots as required by Group II; 2) an option of awarding a player or reselecting in order to receive one of the remaining progressive jackpots as required by Group III.

Group II lacks the corresponding special technical features of: 1) progressive jackpots displayed in matrix form as required by Group I; 2) an option of awarding a player or reselecting in order to receive one of the remaining progressive jackpots as required by Group III.

Group III lacks the corresponding special technical features of: 1) progressive jackpots displayed in matrix form as required by Group I; 2) a second reel set for displaying symbols corresponding to the progressive jackpots as required by Group II.