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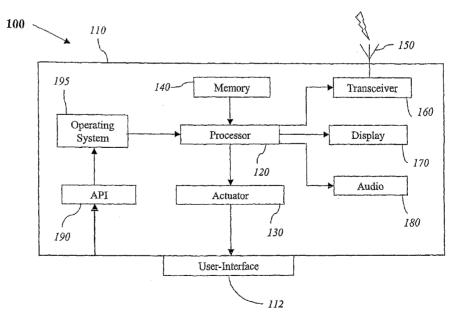
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(57) Abstract: Embodiments of the invention relate to methods and systems for providing customized "haptic messaging" to users of handheld communication devices in a variety of applications. In one embodiment, a method of providing haptic messaging to a handheld communication device (12, fig. 1) includes:associating an input signal (20) with an event (new e-mail); determining a source of the event and selecting the control signal (32) based on the determination; and outputting a control signal to an actuator (30) coupled to the handheld communication device. The control signal is configured to cause the actuator to output a haptic effect associated with the event. An event in the above may be a connection event.





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