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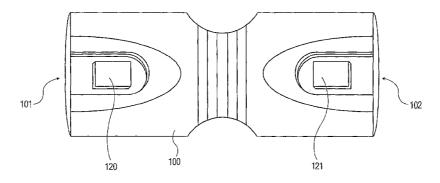


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A dual-sided smart card reader (100), and method for operating the same, is disclosed. The dual-sided smart card reader (100) permit the simultaneous insertion of at least two different smart cards from opposing sides. The dual -sided smart card reader (100) may additionally include a biometric verification device, such as fingerprint scanner (120, 121), for comparing biometric information from an operator of the reader (100) to biometric information stored on a smart card (150, 160). Also, the dual-sided smart card reader (10 may additionally include a pulse monitor, such as a sensor, to detect a pulse of an operator of the reader (100).





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