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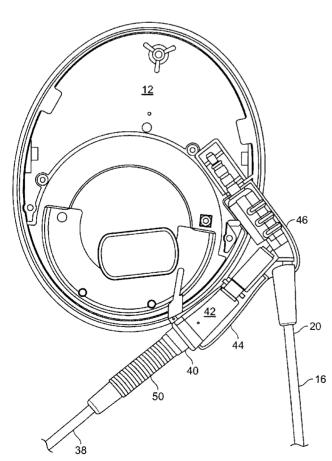
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(57) Abstract: Among other features, a boom microphone has a microphone connector; an earcup module includes an earcup connector jack to connect to a headphone and a boom lead-in to receive the microphone connector; and a control module communicates voice signals wirelessly between (a) the boom microphone and headphone and (b) a telephone.

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1. claims: 1-9

Apparatus comprising a boom microphone, an earcup module including a jack to connect to a headphone and a boom lead—in to receive the microphone connector, a control module for wireless communication between the headphone and a telephone

2. claims: 10-16,27-31

Apparatus having headphone, attachable and detachable microphone and power connection between headphone and control module/microphone.

3. claims: 17-26

Apparatus having noise canceling headphone, attachable and detachable microphone and noise canceling circuitry.

4. claims: 32-34,40-46

Apparatus comprising headphone and attachable/detachable microphone and circuitry to control operations of the apparatus while receiving incoming calls.

5. claims: 35-39

Apparatus having a headphone, an attachable detachable microphone, connector to attach the microphone being non-axi-symmetrical

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