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17	V.	ELAN MICROELECTRONICS CORP.'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL	
18	APPLE INC.,	SUMMARY JUDGMENT OF INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT	
19	Defendant and Counterclaim	NO. 5,825,352	
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INTRODUCTION

I, Ravin Balakrishnan, declare and state as follows:

I have been retained by Respondent Apple Inc. ("Apple") to investigate and opine
 on certain issues related to U.S. Patent 5,825,352 ("the '352 Patent") as applied to the accused
 Apple iBook G4, PowerBook G4, MacBook, and MacBook Pro that use the second or
 touchpads.

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II. QUALIFICATIONS

I am a tenured Professor in the Department of Computer Science at The University
 of Toronto, where I also serve as the Canada Research Chair in Human-Centered Interfaces.
 I received my B.Sc. (1st Class Honours) degree in Computer Science at the
 University of New Brunswick in May 1993. Subsequently, I received my M.Sc. and Ph.D.
 degrees in Computer Science in January 1997 and February 2001, respectively, both from the

13 University of Toronto.

4. Since 1993, I have either trained or worked in the field of human-computer
interfaces, including inter alia interfaces for touch sensitive input devices, multi degree-offreedom input devices, two-handed input, multi-touch input, haptic feedback interfaces, tabletbased input, large and small scale displays, and interactive 3D graphics.

5. During my undergraduate studies at the University of New Brunswick, I worked as
a research assistant in the human interface lab, working with different kinds of novel input
technologies, including touch input systems for three dimensional data interaction.

6. Since my undergraduate years, I have continued to work in this and other related
areas. I have published 13 refereed journal papers, 98 refereed conference full-length papers,
three refereed conference notes and short papers, and two technical reports in the field of humancomputer interfaces. I have further presented numerous conference abstracts, posters, talks, and
demonstrations in my field. I am a named inventor on nine issued patents in my area of work,
plus an additional eleven filed (though not yet issued) patents.

27 7. I have also served on the organizing and paper reviewing committees of many
28 leading conferences in my field, and have taken on editorial roles for leading technical journals in

fields pertinent to my research. For example, I am currently an Associate Editor of the ACM
Transactions on Computer-Human Interfaces (the premier journal in the field), and of the IEEE
Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics. Similarly, I have been the paper's chair
for the ACM UIST Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology, and have served
multiple times as an associate chair for the premier ACM CHI Conference on Human-Computer
Interaction.

7 8. I joined The University of Toronto in July 2001 as an Assistant Professor. In 8 2006, I was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, and in 2011 was promoted to full 9 Professor. As a professor, I have taught nine undergraduate courses and nine graduate courses in 10 topics related to human-computer interaction. Nine Ph.D. students and twenty research masters 11 students have completed their degrees and research under my supervision, and five postdoctoral 12 fellows have completed their research training under my supervision. In addition to these 13 graduated students and postdoctoral fellows, I currently supervise 4 Ph.D. and 7 masters students, 14 and 2 postdoctoral fellows.

15 9. My research at The University of Toronto has involved nearly every broad aspect 16 of human-computer interaction and data visualization. For instance, I have done significant work 17 in the areas of input devices, sensing technologies, and interaction techniques, in particular touch 18 and multi-touch interaction, gestural, sketching, and multi degree-of-freedom interaction, 19 interfaces to small and/or mobile computers, and interfaces to displays of the future. As another 20 example, I have done work in the evaluation of user interfaces, including associated metrics and 21 predictive models of human performance. My research program has been funded by leading 22 companies such as Microsoft, IBM and Hewlett-Packard and also organizations such as the 23 National Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada and also the Sloan Foundation. 24 10. I have also received major awards and honors in my field, including: 25 Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship. 26 Nine best paper awards and honorable mentions at the leading conferences in my field. 27

• Ontario Premier's Research Excellence Award, which included a \$100,000 research grant.

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1 11. A more detailed description of my work experience and other qualifications can be
 2 found in my Curriculum Vitae, which is attached as Appendix A to this Report.

I have previously testified in the ITC Investigation In re Certain Video Game
Machines and Related Three-Dimensional Pointing Devices, Inv. No. 337-TA-658 on behalf of
respondent Nintendo.

I have also testified in the recent ITC Investigation instituted by Elan on behalf of
Respondent Apple in which Elan asserted U.S. Patent 5,825,352, the same patent at issue here.
The Investigation name was In re Certain Electronic Devices With Multi-Touch Enabled
Touchpads And Touchscreens, No. 337-TA-714. During those proceedings, the parties agreed
that I was an expert in the field of computer user input devices, an agreement CALJ Luckern
accepted.

12 14. As set forth in my CV, I have over twenty years of experience studying and
13 teaching computer programming. I have been a professor of computer science for over nine
14 years. I can read and program using object-oriented programming languages fluently, including
15 the C++ language in which Apple's code is written.

16 15. I am currently being compensated at a rate of \$400 per hour. My compensation is
17 not contingent upon the outcome of this case.

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III. MATERIALS CONSIDERED

19 16. My conclusions are based on my review and analysis of various sources of
20 information relating to the structure, function and operation of the accused Apple products,
21 including source code for the accused legacy products made available to Elan in this Investigation
22 (including specifically those portions of the source code relied upon by Mr. Dezmelyk), and the
23 materials cited and relied upon by Mr. Dezmelyk in his report. A complete list of materials
24 considered is attached hereto as Appendix B.

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IV. BACKGROUND OF THE TECHNOLOGY

17. In this section, I provide a background of the applicable technology.

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device typically consists of a flat surface with an underlying sensing mechanism and associated

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The '352 Patent relates to touch sensitive input devices. A touch sensitive input

software that can determine the position of a user's finger or another object on the surface. This
touch location information can be used, for example, to control a cursor position on screen or
activate virtual buttons. Touch sensitive devices may be opaque and operate independently of the
computer display, or transparent and mounted as an overlay on the display.

5 From a hardware perspective, several different technologies have been developed 19. 6 over the years for sensing touch on the surface, with three common technologies being resistive, 7 capacitive, and optical sensing. Resistive touch sensing devices, in a typical instantiation, consist 8 of two stacked sheets of electrically conductive material that are spaced slightly apart such that 9 there is a gap between the two sheets. When a user touches the top sheet, it deforms slightly at the 10 touch point and contacts the bottom sheet, creating an electrical connection between the two 11 sheets at that point. A touch location can be calculated by varying a voltage across one sheet and 12 measuring the voltage at the contact point on the other sheet. This measurement is used to derive 13 the position of the contact along one axis (x or y). A similar voltage is placed across the second 14 sheet in a direction perpendicular to the first, and the position on the second axis (x or y) is 15 measured accordingly—thus providing an x, y position for the contact:

Resistive Sensing
X VOLTAGE
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24 20. Commercially viable resistive touch sensing devices will typically include
25 additional circuitry to, for example, remove electrical noise and improve sensing accuracy.
26 21. The advantages of resistive touch sensing devices are that they can be
27 manufactured at low cost, in sizes ranging from a square inch to several square feet, and can sense
28 contact from either human fingers or inanimate objects such as a stylus. Disadvantages are that

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they typically cannot provide a correct position reading if the device is touched at more than one
 location concurrently, and they can only detect a finger or inanimate object when it comes in
 actual contact with the device and cannot provide information regarding the position or proximity
 of a finger/object as it approaches the device.

5 22. Capacitive touch sensing devices rely on measuring changes in capacitance on a 6 conductive surface when it is touched. Because the human body is electrically conductive, 7 touching or coming in close proximity to a conductive surface will influence that surface's 8 capacitance, which is measured and analyzed to determine the location of the touch. There were 9 many different implementations of capacitive touch sensing devices known in the art prior to 10 January 1996. In one such instantiation, sometimes referred to as surface capacitive touch sensors, a small voltage is applied on the conductive layer that coats just one side of an insulating 11 12 material. When an electrical conductor such as a human finger touches the surface, the finger and 13 surface dynamically form a capacitor. The location of the touch is calculated by measuring the 14 change in capacitance measured across the sensor's surface. While simple, fast, and durable, the 15 accuracy of this approach is highly dependent on how uniformly the conductive layer is applied 16 on the insulating substrate and is also prone to errors due to stray capacitances arising from 17 electrical noise in the environment.

18 23. A more accurate capacitive touch sensing implementation, which was also known 19 in the art prior to January 1996, is often referred to as projected self capacitive touch sensors. 20 This method improves upon surface capacitive touch sensors by etching the conductive layer to 21 form a grid of electrodes. Each line within the grid is typically called a trace. A finger touching 22 or in close proximity to the sensor will cause a change in capacitance that will vary at each trace 23 by an amount that depends on the trace's distance to the touch location. In a common 24 implementation, the grid is arranged along the Cartesian X-Y axes, with each row or column of 25 the grid forming a trace, as shown below:

Capacitive Sensing

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12 27. Briefly, this may be accomplished by, for example, sequentially measuring the
13 difference in capacitance among pairs of perpendicularly oriented conductors until a measurement
14 has been made for each pair of perpendicularly oriented conductors.

15 28. The advantages of capacitive touch sensors are that they can be made from a variety of materials including ones that are truly transparent, they enable the sensing of more than 16 one touch point, and they can also detect position of fingers that are not actually touching but are 17 in close proximity to the device. Disadvantages are that capacitive touch sensors can typically 18 only sense touch from a human and cannot detect electrically inert objects such as a stylus. 19 Furthermore, mutual capacitive touch sensors generate more data (n^2) than that provided by self 20 capacitive touch sensors (2n), thus requiring more computational processing on the part of the 21 touch sensor or computer. 22

23 29. Optical touch sensing devices are those that employ an imaging sensor, such as a 24 camera, to create an image of the touch surface. A key advantage is that they are not limited to 25 sensing just points of contact but rather can be used to sense touch and objects of more complex 26 shapes; for example, a palm pressed against an optical touch sensing device can be detected in its 27 entirety and not just as five finger touch points.

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1 30. Hardware is but one component of a touch sensing device. The signals produced 2 by whatever hardware is used have to be read and analyzed by software to ultimately determine 3 how the touch information is interpreted and presented to the host computer. Software for a touch 4 sensing device would typically perform two high-level functions. First, the signals from the 5 hardware will have to be read or scanned. This scanning step is in essence a data-acquisition 6 process that is relatively straightforward in that no attempt is made to analyze data. After the 7 signal data has been acquired, it is followed by an analysis step where the data is then interpreted. 8 The analysis step can vary in complexity depending on the comprehensiveness of the scanned 9 data and the kinds of information one might want to extract from it.

10 31. Because of the different sensing technologies available, the algorithms used in the 11 analysis step to determine the desired touch information may vary. When only data along two 12 axes is provided, the analysis step is typically simpler in that a much smaller data set has to be 13 analyzed than when data across the entire matrix of the sensed surface is provided. The downside 14 is that the smaller data set also limits the type of information that can be inferred. For example, 15 recognizing the outline of several fingers touching the surface can be readily done with the rich 16 data set from an optical touch sensor as opposed to the limited data from a resistive touch sensor 17 that provided data along two axes.

18 32. During the timeframe of the '352 Patent (*i.e.*, January 1996), the amount of 19 computational processing power that could be dedicated to the analysis of the touch device data 20 was generally limited. The analysis could be performed either on an embedded microprocessor in 21 the touch device itself, with limited memory and processing power, or on the host computer's 22 main processor, in which case it would be competing for resources with all the other software 23 running on that host computer. Thus, simpler devices that reported smaller amounts of data, such 24 as only along the x and y axes, and which consequently required a simpler analysis step, were 25 more common even if they could not provide the sophisticated touch interpretations of the more 26 complex devices.

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V. OVERVIEW OF THE '352 PATENT

33. In this section, I will provide an overview of the '352 Patent.

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1 34. As explained in the specification, at the time of filing of the '352 Patent there 2 already existed a wide variety of touch pads that used any number of different sensing 3 technologies including those described above. See, e.g., Exh. 1 ['352 Patent] at 1:18-26. Thus, 4 one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that the claimed invention of the '352 Patent is 5 not about new touch pad devices or new hardware for detecting contact with a touch pad. Rather 6 the '352 Patent is about a specific, allegedly novel method for utilizing pre-existing touch pad 7 technology to detect the presence of multiple simultaneous finger contacts. As the '352 Patent 8 puts it, the '352 Patent "relates generally to touch pad devices, and more particularly relates to 9 touchpad devices which detect at least the presence of one or more objects such as fingers" 10 See, e.g., id. at 1:12-15. In other words, at a high level, the '352 Patent pertains to the detection 11 of one or more simultaneous contacts with a touch pad. See, e.g., id. at Title ("Multiple Fingers 12 Contact Sensing Method For Emulating Mouse Buttons And Mouse Operations On A Touch 13 Sensor Pad"); see also id. at Abstract ("Method and apparatus for detecting an operative coupling 14 between one or more fingers or other appropriate objects and a touch pad").

15 35. As explained in the specification, it is desirable to detect two finger contacts with a 16 touch pad so that a touch pad may be used to perform both the cursor movement and button 17 actuation functions of a conventional mouse, thus obviating the need for a traditional computer 18 mouse. Within the context of the '352 Patent, this is accomplished by allowing the first touch pad 19 contact and subsequent movement to control a cursor, while the second touch pad contact is 20 interpreted as button actuation. See, e.g., id. at 2:56-3:15 (noting that "the present invention can 21 be described in most of its applications by establishing one finger as controlling movement of the 22 cursor, and the second finger as controlling functions equivalent to a mouse button or switch"); 23 see also, e.g., id. at 4:36-39 (noting that a "further object of the present invention is to provide a 24 method for effecting on a touchpad, through the use of multiple finger contacts, a plurality of 25 conventional mouse button functions").

36. To perform such functions, the '352 Patent discloses a specific technique for
detecting multiple finger contacts based on the presence of maxima and minima in a capacitance
profile of the touch sensitive surface. However both the use of maximum values to detect touches

1 to the surface and the detection of two fingers to a touch sensitive surface were known at the time. 2 For example, at the time of filing of the '352 Patent, it was known that the presence of a single 3 finger contact could be determined by identifying a maximum in the signal data acquired from the 4 touch pad, including in the prior art cited on the face of the '352 Patent. See, e.g., Exh. 2 [U.S. 5 Patent No. 4,686,332] (cited prior art determining finger contact based on the identification of two matrix wires carrying the maximum signal); Exh. 3 [U.S. Patent No. 5,149,919] (determining 6 7 stylus position based on sets of matrix wires containing the highest signals); Exh. 4 [U.S. Patent 8 No. 4,733,222] (interpolating the three largest signals in a set of "drive" electrodes and to identify 9 finger position). As shown below, the use of peak detection to identify a finger contact was both 10 known and straightforward:

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18 37. Likewise, during prosecution of the '352 Patent, the patentee explained that to 19 detect the presence of multiple fingers, a well-known centroid "jumping" algorithm was 20 available. The patentee explicitly distinguished this technique from the alleged invention of the 21 '352 Patent during the prosecution of the '352 Patent. See generally Exh. 5 [Apr. 8, 1998] 22 Amendment]. In the centroid "jumping" technique, when one finger is in contact with a set of 23 sensors on the touch pad, the location of the finger may be determined by computing a weighted 24 average of the signal intensities from all touch pad sensors, which is referred to in the art as a 25 "centroid." Because the signal intensity will be greatest directly below the point of finger contact 26 and will fall off sharply on either side of this point, the "centroid" will naturally correspond to the 27 point of finger contact. However, when a second finger contacts the touch pad, there will, of 28 course, be two points where the signal intensity peaks, each point corresponding to the contact of

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a finger. As a result, the "centroid" will immediately "jump" to a point that is approximately
 midway between the two fingers. It was well known in the art that this jumping could be used to
 determine the presence of two fingers. *See, e.g.* Exh. 6 [U.S. patent No. 5,495,077]. This
 "centroid jumping" phenomenon is depicted below:



38. In view of the above methods already known in the prior art, the alleged novelty of
the '352 Patent is directed to the patent's disclosure of a specific method that enables the use of
peak detection to identify multiple finger contacts in lieu of other methods like "centroid
jumping."

17 39. The method disclosed in the '352 Patent relies on the analysis of "finger profiles" 18 that are obtained from a scan of sensors on a touch pad. *See*, *e.g.*, Exh. 1 ['352 Patent] at 5:20-43 19 (describing the use of a capacitive touch pad with X direction and Y direction traces). As 20 discussed above, at the time of filing of the '352 Patent, capacitive touch pads relied primarily on 21 a process called projection scanning in which a scan of touch sensor "traces" along an axis results 22 in a profile of the capacitances measured on that axis. *See*, *e.g.*, *id.* at 5:56-65 (describing the 23 scanning of traces and measurement of capacitance on each trace in typical traces).

40. The '352 Patent discloses a representative finger profile based on the use of such
capacitive touch pads as set forth below:

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1 one to identify extrema in order to determine the presence of fingers. Briefly, the method works 2 by stepping through the elements of the finger profile looking only for a first maximum until it is 3 first determined that the values of the finger profile are no longer increasing and then designates 4 the location of that value. At that point, the algorithm has identified a first maximum, an event 5 that is determinative of a first finger contact. After the first maxima has been identified, the algorithm starts looking only for a minimum and continues stepping through the elements of the 6 7 finger profile until the values of the finger profile are no longer decreasing and then designates 8 the location of that value. At this point, the first minima following the first maxima has been 9 identified. Then, the algorithm starts looking only for a second maximum and once again steps 10 through the elements of the finger profile until they are no longer increasing and designates its 11 location such that a "second maxima" following the first minima is identified. Similar to the 12 detection of the "first maxima," which is determinative of a first finger contact, this identification 13 of the "second maxima" is determinative of a second finger contact. See, e.g., generally id. at 14 9:18-10:65; Claim 1. This method is depicted below:



48. Having discussed the background of touch sensor technology and the '352 Patent, I will next provide an overview of the Apple Products accused in this case of infringement.

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THE ACCUSED LEGACY PRODUCTS

26 49. I understand that Elan's Motion for Partial Summary Judgment dated May 5, 2011, 27 relates to models of Apple's iBook, MacBook, MacBook Pro, and PowerBook laptop computers 28 released between 2005 and 2009. Each of these products incorporates what is referred to as a

1	or touchpad. For purposes of this declaration, I will refer to these products
2	as the "accused legacy products," to distinguish them from the current Apple products accused of
3	infringement in the lawsuit.
4	50. Apple's and touchpads have the ability to recognize gestures
5	performed by a user on the touchpad with one or two fingers. In order to distinguish a contact of
6	one finger from a contact of two fingers, the touchpads utilize source code that interprets the
7	touch sensor data. In brief, the source code contains an algorithm that receives data from the
8	touch sensor,
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12	Finally, the algorithm interprets gestures performed by a user based on the number of fingers,
13	movement of the fingers, and other information.
14	51. I understand that the or products are not current Apple products
15	and were not involved in the recent ITC Investigation in which Apple was respondent. The ITC
16	Investigation involved Apple's current products, which all use Apple's algorithm. I
17	understand that the Chief Administrative Law Judge issued a final initial determination finding no
18	infringement of the '352 Patent by Apple's products.
19	VII. LEGAL STANDARDS
20	52. I am not a legal expert and offer no opinions of the law. However, I have been
21	informed by counsel of the various legal standards that apply, and I have applied those standards
22	in arriving at my conclusions.
23	53. It is my understanding that the following legal standards apply in assessing
24	infringement. An analysis of infringement requires two steps. First, the language of the patent
25	claims must be properly construed. Next, to infringe a patent claim, the accused product must
26	include elements that correspond to each and every limitation in the claims as they have been
27	properly construed.
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1 54. Here, I understand that the certain terms of the asserted claims have been 2 construed in the November 1, 2010 Claims Construction Order, and that those constructions are 3 the constructions to be used for purposes of infringement. I have used the November 1, 2010 4 claim constructions in my analyses.

5 55. I understand that if an accused product contains elements that fall within the literal 6 meaning of the claims as properly construed, the accused product is said to infringe "literally." 7 Thus, to infringe literally, the accused product must contain elements that fall literally within the 8 scope of each and every limitation of the claims.

9 56. I understand that to infringe a means plus function claim, the accused product must 10 perform the identical function and contain identical or equivalent structure. I understand that two 11 structures are equivalent if a person of ordinary skill in the art would consider the differences 12 between them to be insubstantial for performing the required function. I also understand that one 13 way to determine this is to look at whether or not the accused structure performs the identical 14 function in substantially the same way to achieve substantially the same result. I understand that 15 structural equivalence is determined at the time of the issuance of the patent.

16 57. I understand that every limitation of a claim is essential and that the absence of any 17 one limitation avoids infringement. It is also my understanding that, to infringe a dependent 18 claim, the accused product must include each and every limitation of all claims from which it 19 depends.

20 58. I understand that to prove infringement, the patent owner must show specific 21 instances of direct infringement or that the accused device necessarily infringes the patent in suit.

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VIII. CLAIM CONSTRUCTION

23 59. I understand that the Court construed certain terms of the '352 Patent in a Claims 24 Construction Order dated November 1, 2010 ("Claims Construction Order"), and made non-25 substantive corrections to that order on January 25, 2011.

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60. I understand that the Court concluded that the claim language requires a temporal 27 order for the identification steps. Claims Construction Order at 9-10. Specifically, I understand 28 that the Court will instruct the jury that:

1 2	(a) "identify a first maxima in a signal corresponding to a first finger" means: "Identify a first peak value in a finger profile taken on a line obtained from scanning the touch sensor;"
3 4	(b) "identify a minima following the first maxima" means: "Identify the lowest value in the finger profile taken on said line that occurs after the first peak value and before another peak value is
5	identified;" and
6 7	(c) "identify a second maxima in a signal corresponding to the second finger following said minima" means: "After identifying the lowest value in the finger profile taken on said line, identify a second peak value in the finger profile taken on said line."
8	61. With respect to the term "identify," I understand that the Court did not issue a
9	construction, but instead concluded that "there is no dispute between the parties that the term
10	'identify' includes the concept of recognition." Claims Construction Order at 11.
11	62. With respect to the term "in response to," I understand that the Court did not issue
12	a construction, but concluded that "Apple has persuasively shown that the invention claimed in
13	the '352 Patent utilizes the identification of a first and second maxima, without some amalgam of
14	additional information, to determine and indicate the simultaneous presence of two fingers."
15	Claims Construction Order at 11.
16	63. I next set forth the relevant terms from asserted means-plus-function claims 18, 21,
17	and 30. As explained below, Elan and Mr. Dezmelyk apply different and broader constructions to
18	certain terms here than were determined to be correct in the ITC proceeding. For example,
19	asserted claim 30 was found to be indefinite in the ITC. The Court here has not yet construed all
20	of the necessary limitations of claims 18, 21, and 30 or addressed the indefiniteness issue with
21	respect to claim 30. As such, my infringement analysis is based on the parties' agreed
22	construction for one term, and my understanding of the correct constructions for the other terms
23	set forth below.
24	"Means for Scanning the Touch Sensor"
25	64. I understand that the parties' agreed construction for "means for scanning the
26	touch sensor" specifies a function of scanning the touch sensor as "the corresponding structure is
27	an analog multiplexer, a circuit to measure changes in capacitance of sensor conductors, an
28	analog to digital converter, a microcontroller, and equivalents thereof."

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"Means for Scanning the Touch Sensor to Identify"

65. While I believe that the parties' agreed construction for "means for scanning the touch sensor" is not inaccurate, I note that the parties have not agreed upon and the Court has not issued a claim construction for remainder of claim 18. While I have not previously been involved in this district court proceeding, I was asked to opine on behalf of Apple during claim construction proceedings in the ITC.

66. In the ITC, the Chief ALJ construed the complete means-plus-function portion of 7 claim 18. Specifically, the Chief ALJ construed the term "means for scanning the touch sensor to 8 (a) identify a first maxima in a signal corresponding to a first finger, (b) identify a minima 9 following the first maxima, and (c) identify a second maxima in a signal corresponding to a 10 second finger following said minima." Exh. 7 [ITC Claim Construction Order] at 34-38. The 11 Chief ALJ concluded that the recited function of this term is "scanning the touch sensor to (a) 12 identify a first maxima in a signal corresponding to a first finger, (b) identify a minima following 13 the first maxima, and (c) identify a second maxima in a signal corresponding to a second finger 14 following said minima." Id. at 38. The Chief ALJ further concluded that the corresponding 15 structure "is an analog multiplexer, a circuit to measure changes in capacitance of sensor 16 conductors, an analog to digital converter, a microcontroller, and Fig. 5 (items, 400-440) and Fig. 17 6-1 or Fig. 9-1 (items 200-278)." Id. I believe that the Chief ALJ's construction is correct for the 18 following reasons. 19

67. One of ordinary skill in the art would understand based on the plain language of
the claim that the claimed function is not merely scanning the touch sensor, but "scanning the
touch sensor to (a) identify a first maxima in a signal corresponding to a first finger, (b) identify a
minima following the first maxima, and (c) identify a second maxima in a signal corresponding to
a second finger following said minima." The corresponding structure must accomplish the
entirety of the claimed function. The parties' agreed construction only relates to the hardware
structure involved in scanning the touch sensor.

27 68. In the specification, the algorithm disclosed to accomplish the identification
28 function of claim 18 is Figure 5 (items 400-440) and Figure 6-1 (items 200-278). At item 400 of

1 Figure 5, the process for scanning the touch sensor to identify the claimed extrema begins. Exh. 1 2 ['352 Patent] at 7:34-36 ("Referring still to FIG. 5, the cyclical process begins at step 400, and 3 contnues at step 410 by scanning the conductor sensors."). At item 410, the touch sensor scans 4 the conductors and stores their values in memory. Id. at Fig. 5 ("Scan Conductors: Store in 5 Ram"); id. at 7:38-46 ("The scan process measures the values of finger-induced capacitance for 6 each of the conductors, and stores the values in RAM at step 420."). At items 430 and 440, the 7 Xcompute and Ycompute processes shown in Figure 6 identify the required first maxima, 8 minimum, and second maxima in the order recited in the claims. Id. at 7:40-43 ("The cycle 9 process continues by performing the Xcompute loop of FIG. 6 discussed hereinafter, and also the 10 Ycompute loop analogous to FIG. 6, at step 430 and 440, respectively."). The specification 11 makes clear that the function of the X compute and Y compute processes is to "evaluate the current 12 measurements . . . by detecting whether a second finger is touching the pad—which determines 13 the button state." Id. at 7:43-48; see also id. at 8:46-11:15 (explaining the operation of the 14 X compute and Y compute loops, and stating that their function is to "identif[y] [] minima and 15 maxima in the X and Y directions."). Indeed, the specification states that the X compute process 16 includes variables such as "Xpeak1" which "store[s] the value of the first peak X value." Id. at 17 8:64. Thus, the specification makes clear that the corresponding algorithmic structure that 18 accomplishes the scanning and identification function of claim 18 is Figure 5 (items 400-440) and 19 Figure 6-1 (items 200-278).

20 69. Consistent with the above, in the ITC Claim Construction order, the Chief ALJ 21 determined that claim 18 "recites two separate means: a means for scanning the touch sensor to 22 identify the claimed maxima and minima, and a means for providing an indication of the 23 simultaneous presence of two fingers in response to said identification." Exh. 7 [ITC Claim 24 Construction Order No. 17] at 35. The ITC judge further concluded that flow diagrams in Figure 25 5 and Figure 6 in the patent recite the structure for identifying extrema in the values obtained 26 from scanning the touch sensor. Specifically, the Xcompute and Ycompute processes, executed 27 at steps 430 and 440, detect whether a second finger is touching the pad. Id. at 37. Thus, the corresponding structure for the "means for scanning to identify . . ." limitation includes the 28

1	hardware eler	ments agreed-upon by the parties, as well as the corresponding algorithmic structure
2	of Figure 5 (i	tems 400-440) and Figure 6-1 (items 200-278).
3	<u>"Mea</u>	ns for Providing an Indication in Response to"
4	70.	I further note that the parties have not agreed upon and the Court has not issued a
5	claim constru	action for the limitation "means for providing an indication of the simultaneous
6	presence of t	wo fingers in response to the identification of said first and second maxima" in claim
7	18. In the IT	C, the Chief ALJ concluded that the recited function is "providing an indication of
8	the simultane	ous presence of two fingers." Exh 7. [ITC Claim Construction Order] at 39-45. The
9	Chief ALJ fu	rther concluded that the corresponding structure "is step 860 of Figure 8 where the
10	value of the '	Finger' variable is set to equal two." Id. at 43. I believe that the Chief ALJ's
11	construction	is the correct construction of the means for providing an indication limitation of
12	claim 18.	
13	71.	"[M]eans for providing an indication" first appears in claim 18:
14		A touch sensor for detecting the operative coupling of multiple
15		fingers comprising:
16 17		means for scanning the touch sensor to (a) identify a first maxima in a signal corresponding to a first finger, (b) identify a minima following the first maxima, and (c) identify a second maxima in a signal corresponding to a second finger following said minima, and
18		means for providing an indication of the simultaneous presence
19		of two fingers in response to identification of said first and second maxima.
20		'352 Patent (Exh. 1) at Claim 18 (emphasis added).
21	72.	I understand that the parties agree that this is a means-plus-function term. I further
22	understand th	at the parties agree that the claimed function is "providing an indication of the
23	simultaneous	presence of two fingers in response to identification of said first and second
24	maxima."	
25	73.	As to the corresponding structure, as set forth below, in the algorithm of Fig. 8-1, a
26	variable is se	t to indicate the number of fingers contacting the touch sensor:
27 28		At step 850, a determination is made whether two fingers are in contact with the touchpad by evaluating both X compute and Y compute. If neither X compute nor Y compute indicate the
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presence of two fingers, the answer is NO and the process drops to step 855. However, if either the Xcompute routine or the Ycompute routine indicates the presence of two fingers [i.e., identified a first maxima, minima, and a maxima], the answer at step 850 is YES and the process moves to step 860, where the value of the variable FINGER is set to 2.

Id. at 14:8-17.

74. This conclusion (*i.e.*, that there are two fingers) is thereafter used by the system to perform gestures. *See id.* at 14:28-15:11 (describing button actuation based on the conclusion concerning the number of fingers). For example, after the number of fingers is determined, if the value of the ButtonPrevious variable is down, and zero fingers are determined to be currently on the touch sensor, then "the process moves to step 925 and reports to the host that Button is Up, while also setting the variable ButtonPrevious to Up." *Id.* at 14:56-65 & Fig. 8-2. In other words, if the button was previously down but no fingers are currently detected, the algorithm recognizes the button as being up. Similarly, if the button was previously up and two fingers are currently detected, the algorithm recognizes the button as being down. *Id.* at 14:48-55 & Fig. 8-2.

75. Accordingly, by setting the variable to 2, the algorithm provides an indication to other software or software modules capable of accessing the FINGER variable that two fingers are simultaneously present. Indeed, in January 1996, setting a variable to a value was one of many well-known techniques for providing an indication in the context of computer programming. Thus, one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that the algorithm set forth in Fig. 8-1 is the corresponding structure for this claim element.

76. Mr. Dezmelyk opines that a preliminary step, the Xcompute algorithm, provides an indication of the simultaneous presence of two fingers. *See* Dezmelyk Decl. ¶ 42 (citing step 310 in Fig. 6-2 and step 980 in Fig. 9-2). In the ITC, Elan similarly argued that a preliminary step, step 980 of Figure 9-2, which sets "Xfinger = 2" within the "Xcompute" loop, provides an indication of the simultaneous presence of two fingers. Chief ALJ Luckern rejected Elan's argument, finding that "if step 980 within the Xcompute loop of Figure 9 were sufficient alone to determine the simultaneous presence of two fingers, then the algorithm would skip the Ycompute loop as well as steps 850-870 where a determination of the number of fingers is made." Exh. 7

1 [ITC Claim Construction Order No. 17] at 43. Chief ALJ Luckern also cited testimony by Elan's 2 expert Mr. Dezmelyk to the effect that the number of fingers is determined in steps 850, 855, 870, 3 860 or 865 of Figure 8-1, in concluding that "because the indication of the simultaneous presence 4 of two fingers requires analyzing both profiles, step 980 of Figure 9-2 does not accomplish the 5 claimed function." *Id.* at 43. In other words, Chief ALJ Luckern concluded that a preliminary 6 step of setting a variable equal to two fingers for the X profile does not provide an indication of 7 the simultaneous presence of two fingers. I agreed with Chief ALJ Luckern's reasoning and 8 conclusions for several reasons.

9 77. The preliminary results of either the X compute or Y compute algorithm alone does 10 not determine the final number of fingers. As shown in Figure 8-1 of the patent, the final number 11 of fingers is based on the consideration of both Xcompute and Ycompute, not one or the other in 12 isolation. For example, if one finger is detected in the X direction, but two fingers are detected in 13 the Y direction by the algorithm in the patent, then two fingers are reported, and that number is 14 used to determine the button state in the remainder of the algorithm. See Exh. 1 ['352 Patent] at 15 Fig. 8-1 & 8-2. Likewise, the conclusion of the algorithm shown in Figure 9 of the patent merely 16 sets the value of the Xfinger variable, which is then used in Figure 8-1 along with the value of the 17 Yfinger variable to determine the number of fingers.

18 78. Moreover, the patent describes performing gestures based on the results of the 19 number of fingers detected, but this is not done with the preliminary result of Xcompute or 20 Ycompute alone. See id. at 2:38-41 ("Operation of the present invention includes two aspects: 21 detection of multiple objects, typically fingers, and assignment of various functions to particular 22 actions by the movement of one or both fingers."). Setting Xbutton to Down in step 310 of 23 Figure 6-2 only sets the Xbutton variable. The state of the Xbutton variable is one of four 24 variables used to make a final determination as to whether the "Button" is up or down. See id. at 25 7:34-65 (showing that step 465 of Figure 5 depends on four variables, Xbutton, Ybutton, 26 XbuttonPrevious, and YbuttonPrevious). For example, if Xbutton is Up, the Button variable can 27 still be set to Down if Ybutton is down and YbuttonPrevious is Up. Therefore, I disagree with 28 Mr. Dezmelyk's opinion that the preliminary steps of step 310 in Fig. 6-2, or step 980 in Fig. 9-2 disclose the corresponding structure for providing an indication of the simultaneous presence of
 two fingers for claim 18.

3 79. I further disagree with Mr. Dezmelyk's opinion that setting a button equal to down 4 in step 465 of Figure 5 of the patent provides an indication of the simultaneous presences of two 5 fingers. In general, one of ordinary skill in the art would not understand a button being down as indicating the presence of two fingers. Indeed, the fact that BUTTON is DOWN in step 465 of 6 7 Figure 5 does not necessarily mean that two fingers are present on the touch sensor. That is 8 because the indication of button state in Figure 5 is in response to not just the presence of two 9 maxima, but the absence of two maxima in a previous scan. For example, if XbuttonPrevious and 10 YbuttonPrevious are Down, then BUTTON will not be set to DOWN in step 465 regardless of 11 how many fingers are on the touch sensor. See '352 Patent at 7:57-65 ("If both compares are 12 true, then the variable Button is set to Down at step 465.") & Fig. 5. In short, the indication of 13 button state in step 465 of Figure 5 is just that—an indication of button state. It is neither an 14 indication of the simultaneous presence of two fingers nor an in response to the presence of two 15 maxima.

16 80. The claim language requires that the indication must be "in response to" the 17 identification of two maxima. One of ordinary skill in the art would not understand this as 18 allowing for the involvement of several additional factors beyond than the presence of two 19 maxima in providing the indication of two fingers. See Exh. 8 [Balakrishnan ITC Claim 20 Construction Decl.] ¶ 96-103. As the Court stated, "the invention claimed in the '352 patent 21 utilizes the identification of a first and second maxima, without some amalgam of additional 22 information, to determine and indicate the simultaneous presence of two fingers." Claims 23 Construction Order at 11. Accordingly, I do not agree with Mr. Dezmelyk that Figure 9, which 24 includes 4 separate tests in block 305 that must be passed before setting Xfinger = 2, is the 25 corresponding structure for this claim element. To the extent Mr. Dezmelyk contends that Figure 26 8 requires the use of Figure 9, I disagree. See Dezmelyk Decl. ¶ 85. While Figure 8 represents 27 the general case, Figure 9 represents a specific manner of determining the presence of two

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maxima that includes additional steps. It is not required that this specific method be used in conjunction with Figure 8.

81. Accordingly, I cannot agree with Mr. Dezmelyk that step 465 in Fig. 5, step 310 in
Fig. 6-2, or step 980 in Fig. 9-2 is the structure corresponding to an indication of the simultaneous
presence of two fingers. Instead, one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that the
corresponding structure is the algorithm of Figure 8-1 of the '352 Patent wherein a variable is set
to indicate the number of fingers contacting the touch sensor.

8 82. In the ITC, Elan and Mr. Dezmelyk took the position that the corresponding 9 structure is "firmware or software that provides data indicating the presence of two fingers in 10 response to the identification of two maxima and equivalents thereof." I disagree with this view. 11 In my opinion, Elan's proposed corresponding structure is vague and ambiguous and does not 12 provide a link to any structure in the specification. Indeed, Elan's proposed structure makes no 13 reference to anything in the specification and instead just recites the claimed function verbatim as 14 something that can be done by generic firmware or software. Thus, under Elan's proposed 15 constructions, the claims apparently cover every conceivable method of carrying out the claimed 16 function. This view, however, does not provide any guidance to one of ordinary skill in the art 17 regarding the scope of the claims. Rather, it leaves them boundless. As a result, under Elan's 18 proposed construction, one of ordinary skill in the art would be unable to determine the scope of 19 the claims, a situation that one of ordinary skill in the art would find unacceptable.

20 83. In the ITC, Elan and Mr. Dezmelyk also identified portions of the specification as 21 supporting its proposed corresponding structure, including Figures 5 (steps 465, 540), 6-1, 6-2 22 (step 310), 8-1 (steps 860, 915), 9-1 and 9-2 (steps 980) and 7:1-6, 7:49-8:15, 14:3-55 and 15:12-23 31. Although neither Elan nor Mr. Dezmelyk explained how these portions of the specification 24 support its proposed corresponding structure, I have reviewed these passages and disagree that 25 they provide any support for the generic corresponding structure Elan proposed. A person of 26 ordinary skill in the art would not understand the passages Elan and Mr. Dezmelyk identified as 27 providing corresponding structure for the function of "providing an indication of the simultaneous

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presence of two fingers in response to identification of said first and second maxima," but instead,
 as relating to other functions such as computing motion and setting "button" states.

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Claim 30 Is Indefinite

84. It is my opinion that claim 30 of the '352 Patent is indefinite.¹ One of ordinary
skill in the art in January 1996 would not have been able to identify the corresponding structure of
"means for calculating first and second centroids corresponding to said first and second fingers"
in the specification of the '352 Patent because the specification fails to disclose any
corresponding structure for performing this function.

85. "[M]eans for calculating first and second centroids corresponding to said first and
second fingers" first appears in claim 30: The sensor of claim 18 *further comprising means for calculating first and second centroids corresponding to said first and second fingers*. Exh.1
['352 Patent] at Claim 30 (emphasis added).

13 86. I understand that the parties agree that this is a means-plus-function term. I further
14 understand that the parties agree that the claimed function is "calculating first and second
15 centroids corresponding to said first and second fingers."

- 87. One of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that although the specification
- 17 discloses an algorithm to calculate a single centroid and recognizes the prior art problem

18 associated with attempting to calculate two centroids simultaneously (a separate centroid for each

19 of two fingers contacting the touch sensor), the specification fails to disclose an algorithm to

20 calculate both centroids.

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88. For instance, the specification explains as follows:

In an exemplary embodiment, the Xcompute process then continues by calculating the centroid for the fingers detected, so long as the maxima exceed a threshold value. In accordance with the present invention, two approaches may be used in calculating centroid values. *In a first implementation, only a single centroid value is calculated* for the combination of one or more fingers. In this arrangement, it will be apparent that, when a second finger contacts

I note that I previously opined on and provided live testimony as to the indefiniteness of claims 19, 24, and 30 of the '352 Patent in the ITC Investigation. Subsequently, the Chief ALJ found those claims indefinite in an order dated September 28, 2010, and the ITC declined to review that order.

1	the touchpad, the centroid 'jumps' laterally approximately to the midpoint of the two fingers. <i>In a second implementation, a</i>
3	multiple centroid values when multiple fingers interact with the pad. For purposes of clarity, the following description will be limited to the first implementation.
4 5	<i>Id.</i> at 10:31-45 (emphasis added). Thus, according to the bolded text above, the specification specifically omits the description of detecting both centroids
6	89. In my opinion, this omission is critical because one of ordinary skill in the art in
7	Ianuary 1996 would have understood that detecting two centroids does not involve simply
8	applying the same algorithm used for detecting a single centroid twice. One reason for this was
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10	the well-known segmentation problem. Briefly, in certain situations where two fingers contact
11	the touch pad, it is difficult to determine whether a capacitance reading should be grouped as part
12	of the first finger's contact area (first centroid) or the second finger's contact area (second
13	centroid). Thus, an algorithm is required to "segment" the two contact areas. My review of the
13	specification reveals that it fails to disclose any algorithm that would accomplish this or any of
14	the other tasks attendant to calculating two separate centroids. As a result, one of ordinary skill in
15	the art would be unable to determine the scope of the claims.
16	90. Elan contends that the corresponding structure is "analog multiplexer 45:
17	Capacitance measuring circuit 70: A to D convertor 80, Microcontroller 60 and/or software,
18	firmware or hardware performing the claimed function." First Amended Joint Claim
19	Construction Statement, Exh. A at 11-12. I disagree with this view. In my opinion, Elan's
20	proposed corresponding structure is vague and ambiguous and does not provide a link to any
21	structure in the specification. Indeed Elan's proposed structure does nothing more than recite
22	bardwara alamanta ralated to the scanning function and further racits generic "softwara, firmwara
23	and wate elements ferated to the scaling function and further fecte generic software, finitiware,
24	or hardware that has no specific relation to the calculation of centroids. Thus, under Elan's
25	proposed constructions, the claims apparently cover every conceivable method of carrying out the
26	claimed function. This view, however, does not provide any guidance to one of ordinary skill in
27	the art regarding the scope of the claims. Rather, it leaves them boundless. Accordingly, one of
∠′ 20	ordinary skill in the art would find Elan's proposed construction unacceptable.
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1	91. In the ITC Investigation, Elan and Mr. Dezmelyk identified portions of the
2	specification as supporting its proposed corresponding structure for claim 30, including Figs 6
3	and 9 and 10:31-51. Although neither Elan nor Mr. Dezmelyk explained how these portions of
4	the specification support its proposed corresponding structure, I have reviewed these passages and
5	disagree that that they provide any support for the generic corresponding structure Elan has
6	proposed. In fact, even if Elan were proposing that these passages were themselves
7	corresponding structure for the "means for calculating first and second centroids" limitation, I
8	would disagree. A person of ordinary skill in the art would not understand the passages Elan
9	identifies as providing corresponding structure for the function of "calculating first and second
10	centroids corresponding to said first and second fingers." To the contrary, the patent specifically
11	describes an implementation in which one centroid value is calculated while omitting a
12	corresponding description for implementations in which more than one centroid value is
13	calculated. Id. at 10:31-51 (describing two implementations and noting that "[f]or purposes of
14	clarity, the following description will be limited to the first implementation"). In sum, it is my
15	opinion that claim 30 of the '352 Patent is indefinite.
16	92. I apply the foregoing claim constructions in my analysis below.
17	IX. THE ACCUSED LEGACY PRODUCTS DO NOT INFRINGE ASSERTED METHOD CLAIMS 1, 2, 6, 7, OR 16
18 19	A. The Accused Legacy Products Do Not Identify Maxima Or Minima Values
19	Obtained From Scanning The Touch Sensor
20	93. I understand that the claims require identif[ication] of a first peak value in a
21	finger profile obtained from scanning the touch sensor," "identif[ication] of the lowest value in
22	the finger profile taken on said line that occurs after the first peak value and before another peak
23	value is identified," and "after identifying the lowest value in the finger profile taken on said line,
24	identif[ication] of a second peak value in the finger profile taken on said line." Claims
25	Construction Order at 10. For the following reasons, it is my opinion that the accused legacy
26	products do not identify maxima or minima values in a finger profile obtained from scanning the
27	touch sensor.
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1 This is consistent with the patent specification, which discloses a state variable 111. 2 named "Xstate" is used "to indicate which part of the finger profile we are currently searching 3 for." Exh. 1 ['352 Patent] at 9:10-14. The "Xstate" variable "can have values Peak1, Valley, 4 Peak2 or Tail," which correspond to the first maximum, minimum, and second maximum of the 5 claims, as well as "the remainder of the scan after a second peak (in the exemplary embodiment) 6 has been identified." Id. Unless the Xstate variable in Figure 9-1 is set to Valley, the algorithm 7 will not identify a minimum. Id. at Fig. 6-1, 9-1. In other words, the '352 Patent discloses a 8 method that methodically looks for a first maximum. After identifying the first maximum, it only 9 then looks for a minimum. Similarly, after identifying a minimum, it only then looks for a second 10 maximum.

11 112. I understand that using a state variable in the patent relates to one embodiment and 12 that there might be a number of ways in which the method could search for the extrema in the 13 requisite order. However, it is my understanding of the claims that the search must be done in the 14 requisite order in some manner pursuant to the claim language that requires "scanning the touch 15 sensor to identify" a first maximum, minimum, and second maximum in the requisite order.



























1	153. With respect to Fig. 5, the accused Apple products include neither a Y compute
2	nor an X compute, much less both.
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5	X compute and Y compute loops in the patent lack any such structure.
6	154. With respect to the algorithm of Figs. 6-1 and 9-1 (items 200-278), the algorithm
7	begins by setting the variable Xstate = Peak1 at block 205. The algorithm then proceeds to Xloop
8	Start, block 210, and computes the centroid of the finger profile taken on the X axis. See Exh. 1
9	['352 Patent] at 9:24-38 ("At step 210, a loop referred to as 'Xloop' starts. The purpose of Xloop
10	is to calculate the X centroid, by accumulating the sum and weighted sum of the X values for all
11	the X conductors from one to Xcon ").
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13	155. After computing the centroid of the X axis, the corresponding structure in the
14	patent determines which extrema to seek by testing the Xstate variable and then proceeds to
15	iterate across the X axis (<i>i.e.</i> , the finger profile taken on a straight line) to locate the sought after
16	extrema. Peak 1 is identified on the X axis and then the algorithm specifically searches for
17	Xvalley. Following the identification of Xvalley, the algorithm specifically searches for Xpeak2.
18	Once Xpeak2 is found, the algorithm sets the Xstate variable to Tail, which effectively terminates
19	the search for the extrema.
20	See Section IX.B.
21	156. With respect to the last step of the algorithms disclosed in Figs. 6-1 and 9-1 is
22	block 278, which stops the search for another peak after the second peak is identified. The
23	accused Apple Products include no such step.
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25	Mr. Dezmelyk provides no evidence that the
26	accused Apple products conclude after a second maximum is detected as required by Figs. 6-1
27	and 9-1, nor has Mr. Dezmelyk offered any opinion that the accused Apple Products include any
28	equivalent algorithmic steps.



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