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BEFORE THE
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In the Matter of:) Investigation No.
CERTAIN MOBILE DEVICES) 337-TA-750
AND RELATED SOFTWARE)

Hearing Room A

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PREHEARING AND TUTORIAL

The parties met, pursuant to the notice of the
Judge, at 9:00 a.m.

BEFORE: THE HONORABLE THEODORE R. ESSEX

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1 O P E N S E S S I O N
2 MR. DAVIS: We're ready, Your Honor.
3 JUDGE ESSEX: You found him, did you?
4 MR. DAVIS: We did, indeed.
5 JUDGE ESSEX: If you would remain
6 standing for just a moment and raise your right
7 hand for me.
8 Whereupon--
9 WAYNE C. WESTERMAN,
10 having been first duly sworn, was examined and
11 testified as follows:
12 JUDGE ESSEX: Please be seated.
13 D I R E C T E X A M I N A T I O N
14 BY MR. DAVIS:
15 Q. Dr. Westerman, could you please state
16 your entire name?
17 A. Wayne Carl Westerman.
18 Q. And you have in front of you a witness
19 binder. Could you turn to the first exhibit?
20 It is marked as CX-208C. It is entitled the
21 witness statement of Wayne Westerman. Let me
22 know when you find that.
23 A. Yes.
24 Q. And if you can look through that. Is
25 that the witness statement that you submitted

1 in connection with this investigation?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And if you could turn to page 10. Is
4 that your signature that appears there?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. And does this witness statement
7 contain your answers to the questions that are
8 set forth therein?

9 A. Yes.

10 MR. DAVIS: Your Honor, we turn the
11 witness over for cross.

12 MR. NELSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 CROSS-EXAMINATION

14 BY MR. NELSON:

15 Q. I think I have some material to pass
16 out here. Good afternoon.

17 A. Good afternoon.

18 Q. I am Dave Nelson. I don't think we
19 have met before, but I am going to ask you some
20 questions, all right?

21 A. Okay.

22 Q. Good. Let's put JX-3 up here. Now,
23 JX-3, a patent entitled ellipse fitting for
24 multi-touch surfaces, 7,818,828. Do you see
25 that?

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. You are a named inventor on this
3 patent, correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. And you have one other joint inventor
6 on that; is that right?

7 A. That's right.

8 Q. And what is that gentleman's name?

A. John G. Elias.

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12 Q. But the '828 patent, you agree that
13 primarily concerns mathematical fitting of
14 ellipses to pixel groups that are received from
15 a touch sensing device; is that a fair
16 characterization?
17 A. Yeah, that's a fair characterization
18 of the claims.
19 Q. Okay. Of the claims of the '828
20 patent?
21 A. Yeah.
22 Q. Okay. So let's talk a little bit
23 about this elliptical fitting. The primary
24 reason that you wanted to do this elliptical
25 fitting was so that you could distinguish one
hand part from another on a touch device; is

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1 that right?
2 A. I'd say that's the primary reason. It
3 is not the only reason.
4 Q. But that is the primary reason?
5 A. Yeah.
6 Q. So let's look at this dissertation.
7 Can we put up -- well, it is JX-291. You have
8 it in the book if you want to look at the
9 original. Sometimes that is easier than the
10 screen.
11 A. Okay.
12 Q. Let's put up RDX-18.002. I have some
13 excerpts from here.
14 So this excerpt that I have on
15 RDX-18-002 is from your dissertation at page
16 19. So here you say, "nevertheless,
17 distinguishing palm contacts from finger
18 contacts on a large MTS is imperative for the
19 motion recognition algorithms to ignore palm
20 motions and allow palms to rest on the
21 surface."
22 Do you see that?
23 A. Yes.
24 Q. So, first of all, MTS, is that
25 multi-touch surface?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And so is that, that idea expressing
3 this concept that we just talked about, the
4 idea of being able to distinguish one hand part
5 from another?

6 A. That's one example, yes.

7 Q. Okay. And, similarly, down here at
8 the bottom, I have this sentence highlighted,
9 "identifying the thumb and maintaining a
10 consistent order for other finger contacts also
11 aids extraction of hand motion parameters."

12 Is that, again, that idea of being
13 able to recognize one --

14 A. That's one example.

15 Q. We have to get a little rhythm here.
16 So I know that sometimes it doesn't seem like I
17 am done with -- or it seems like I am done, but
18 it takes me a little while sometimes. I
19 apologize. So let me start that over.

20 So this last sentence here identifying
21 thumb and finger contacts, that's, again, this
22 notion of being able to distinguish one hand
23 part from another, correct?

24 A. That's another example, yes.

25 Q. And if we look at page 84 now, it is

1 on the next slide, RDX-18.3, here it says,
2 "while the user will not vary contact shape or
3 orientation intentionally, such parameters will
4 assist finger and hand identification in
5 chapter 4."

6 Do you see that?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Now, if you look -- and why don't we
9 put up the JX-291 at page 84 here.

10 So page 84 of your JX-291, this is
11 your dissertation, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And this is in the ellipse fitting
14 section. So that sentence that I just pulled
15 out, if I look at it again, we can highlight it
16 here, Ryan. That's fine.

17 "While the user typically will not
18 vary contact shape or orientation
19 intentionally, such parameters will assist
20 finger and hand identification in chapter 4."
21 So are the parameters that you are referring to
22 there the parameters that are generated from
23 the ellipse fitting procedure?

24 A. Yes, contact shape and orientation
25 generally, yes.

1 Q. So that, again, that's consistent with
2 this idea that you talked about that you wanted
3 to be able to precisely fit ellipses to the
4 pixel group so you could identify one finger
5 from another, right?

6 A. Right, but elsewhere, I do --
7 somewhere in the patent and the dissertation, I
8 do, you know, mention the possibility of
9 actually controlling something with the
10 rotation of your thumb or the orientation of
11 your thumb.

12 Q. Right. And that would be another
13 thing that you might want to do, recognize
14 exactly how the thumb is oriented and fitting
15 this ellipse precisely to that thumb touch
16 would help you do that, right? We've got to
17 get your audible answer.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. Thank you.

20 So let me go to RDX-4 now. So this is
21 from your dissertation now into chapter 4 that
22 we just saw referred to on the previous page
23 that we looked at, page 84. This is now at
24 page 116 of your dissertation.

25 Here you say, "if the MTS" -- again,

1 the multi-touch surface -- "was only to be used
2 for typing, trying to identify each surface
3 contact might not be worthwhile because key
4 taps should be distinguished by their spatial
5 location, not which finger strikes the key."

6 Do you see that?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. So there, the idea, what you are
9 saying at least in the dissertation is if all
10 you are trying to do is detect key taps, then
11 you don't necessarily need to be able to
12 distinguish one finger from another, correct?

13 A. Yeah. I think you should keep in mind
14 I am talking specifically there about fingers,
15 and I don't think I would have said the same
16 thing about palms because if a palm tapped a
17 key, you would want to ignore it, right? But
18 maybe it doesn't matter whether it is the index
19 finger or the middle finger for typing.

20 Q. Right. You don't need to know which
21 specific one, just generate the key taps.

22 Now, with the palm, there are ways you
23 can detect the palm without knowing it as the
24 palm, correct? Meaning it is a fairly large
25 contact area, right?

1 A. Well, that's another big topic of the
2 dissertation. I wouldn't simply -- want to
3 oversimplify that, yeah, there is a lot of --
4 generally, for detecting palms, you need -- you
5 often need multiple clues at once, but that's
6 one of them, is the large size, yes.

7 Q. Okay. So then here, the next
8 sentence, you say, "but recognition of the
9 rich, bimanual chordic manipulations
10 demonstrated in chapter 5, demands reliable
11 clustering of surface contacts with their
12 originating hand as well as reliable finger
13 ordering and thumb identification within each
14 hand."

15 Do you see that?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. So the idea was that you wanted to be
18 able to precisely detect which finger was
19 touching the screen, multiple fingers touching
20 the screen, the orientation of those fingers so
21 that you could implement these bimanual chordic
22 manipulations, right?

23 A. Yes, that was an important objective,
24 but I believe all along at the same time I was
25 -- another, as I say, another big part of doing

1 a good multi-touch system is ignoring things
2 such as palms.

3 And so it is not just identifying the
4 fingers. It is identifying palms and other
5 instances where you want to -- fingers are
6 applied and situations where you want to ignore
7 contacts and reject them also.

8 Q. Sorry. I didn't mean to talk over
9 you. Are you done?

10 A. Um-hum.

11 Q. So then what you are saying is what
12 you wanted to be able to do was precisely
13 identify fingers, hand parts, some of which you
14 want to know their orientation and which finger
15 it is, others you want to ignore, correct?

16 A. Um-hum, yes.

17 Q. Okay. And the way that you are able
18 to distinguish these hand parts from one
19 another -- let me start over.

20 In order to be able to do that, what
21 you did was invented a very precise way to do
22 the measurements of touch data and help the
23 multi-touch system tell you useful things about
24 those touches, right?

25 A. Yeah, it is a combination -- I did

1 measurements of the shape and orientation of
2 individual touches and then another part of the
3 dissertation is the overall arrangement of the
4 touches relative to one another. That is sort
5 of the inter-touch geometry is also -- also
6 provides important clues.

7 Q. And at least part of that precise way
8 to do this detection was this ellipse fitting
9 procedure that we looked at in section 3,
10 starts at around page 84 of your dissertation,
11 correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Okay. And now in order for this
14 ellipse fitting procedure to be useful and
15 detect these various things, these precise
16 touches and what part it is and what the
17 orientation of the finger was, it needed to be
18 precise, correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And if we look back at the
21 dissertation at page 84, this would be JX-291,
22 and let's just put it up there, no, page 84,
23 you had it right. Okay, good.

24 So on page 84 here in the
25 dissertation, this is the precise ellipse

1 fitting procedure that you described, correct?

2 A. I believe it continues on to the next
3 page.

4 Q. Okay. It continues on to the next
5 page.

6 A. To the end of that section, including
7 the paragraph after equation 320.

8 Q. Yeah, okay. So we will talk about
9 that in a minute. Let me go back up to the
10 beginning of this.

11 So you say at the very end of that
12 first paragraph in this ellipse fitting
13 section, "the ellipse fitting procedure
14 requires a unitary transformation of the group
15 covariance matrix G_{cov} of second moments G_{xx} ,
16 G_{xy} , and G_{yy} , correct?"

17 A. That's what I say, yes.

18 Q. So that's the precise ellipse fitting
19 procedure that you were describing, correct?

20 A. Well, that's just the first step.
21 Unitary transformation means a rotation of the
22 coordinate system of the matrix.

23 Q. Then the rest of the steps are found
24 from 3.12 down to 3.18?

25 A. Yeah, once you find the Eigenvalues

1 and Eigenvectors covariance matrix, which are
2 part of doing a unitary transformation off of
3 that -- the axis where the data is spread out
4 the most, it would be like the long axis for
5 thumb, the long axis, you rotate your
6 coordinate system to there, and that procedure
7 leads to Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors.
8 Equations 316 through 318, I show how to get
9 major radius, minor radius and orientation from
10 those Eigenvalues.

11 Q. And those equations then will give you
12 the parameters of the ellipse that you are
13 trying to fit to the touch data, correct?

14 A. Yes, in this case.

15 Q. Now, let's go to JX-3. Column 26,
16 Ryan, of JX-3. And let's pull that out a
17 little bit. Yeah, start with the since --
18 about line 18, 17. Can you get the last three
19 equations in there?

20 So then here in column 26 of the
21 patent, this is from the application that you
22 drafted, correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And the portion that's here, is that
25 part of the application that you drafted?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. So again, it says, the ellipse fitting
3 procedure requires a unitary transformation of
4 the group covariance matrix G -- where it says
5 sub eov. Should that be sub cov?

6 A. It should.

7 Q. Of second moments Q_{xx} , Q_{xy} , G_{yy} ?

8 A. That should be G_{xx} , G_{xy} , G_{yy} .

9 Q. So that shouldn't be a Q , that should
10 be a G , and that should be a G (indicating)?

11 A. Yes, apparently there was clerical
12 error during one of the many, I guess,
13 retypings of later versions of the patent.

14 Q. But then the equations that are shown
15 here in order to generate the ellipse
16 parameters, those are the same equations that
17 we just looked at from your dissertation,
18 correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. So let's step back through an example.
21 Now we need to go up to the top of column 26.
22 You can blow up all of 26 down to the arc
23 tangent equation we were just looking at.

24 Now let's take an example where you
25 have the pixel group that you want to fit an

1 ellipse to. So you have that data. We have
2 the equations up here, G_z and there is a
3 summation of all E_z 's, do you see that?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. I think in the patent it refers to
6 this G_z as the group proximity value; is that
7 right?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And essentially that's just an
10 addition of all the points and the value of how
11 close the touch object is to the touch sensor,
12 correct?

13 A. Yeah, it is a sum of the sensor
14 readings at each pixel in that group of pixels.

15 Q. Right. So you just add them all up?

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. Basically is what you are doing. Now,
18 this next one, we have G_x . And we have another
19 summation of E_z times E_x divided by that group
20 proximity value, correct?

21 A. Right.

22 Q. So basically -- and let me see if I
23 get this right -- what you are doing is you are
24 going through in the X direction, meaning let's
25 just say X is horizontal and Y is vertical.

1 And I take my sense data and I sum up a row of
2 that X data and I multiply the X , that
3 coordinate value, that X value by the proximity
4 value for that pixel and I get a product,
5 correct?

6 A. Right.

7 Q. It gives me a number?

8 A. Yeah.

9 Q. And then I divide that by the total
10 group proximity, right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. So essentially what is going on here
13 is that at least for G_x , I am finding a
14 weighted average of the proximity of that touch
15 data, correct?

16 A. Right.

17 Q. So it kind of tells me in the X
18 direction, where is the center of that
19 pressure, essentially?

20 A. Right.

21 Q. That's a fair characterization?

22 A. Yeah. For -- it is sort of analogous
23 to center of -- well, what lay people would
24 hear of as center of mass, what is the center
25 of mass of something. It is not mass, of

1 course, it is the touch proximity.
 2 Q. Right. Basically how close the object
 3 is and that kind of equates to a pressure,
 4 right, is the idea? Is that fair?
 5 A. I don't know if it -- it equates -- it
 6 is being the center of something, not whether
 7 it is the pressure, but it is the average
 8 center, center averaged over the object.
 9 Q. The center of the average of how close
 10 the touch object is to the sensor in the X
 11 direction, correct?
 12 A. Okay.
 13 Q. Okay. And so then we have got the
 14 next equation here, 14, we have got G_y , and
 15 then I have a similar equation here, but this
 16 sums the product of E_z times E_y instead of E_x
 17 and then divides it by that group proximity
 18 value, right?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. So that's doing exactly the same thing
 21 but now in the Y direction, in the vertical
 22 direction, correct?
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. So then basically what you get from
 25 this, I think you described, is the center of

1 mass or the center of proximity, let's say, you
 2 get a center of proximity for your touch data,
 3 correct?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. In an X/Y coordinate system, correct?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. All right. So then I take that
 8 information, that information being those X/Y
 9 coordinates that I just generated, and now I
 10 need to generate these second moments, correct?
 11 A. Yeah. The centroid is sometimes
 12 called the first moment. So next we do the
 13 second moments.
 14 Q. Okay. And with those second moments,
 15 can you tell us in some lay terms essentially
 16 what those second moments are?
 17 A. Second moments are -- in statistics,
 18 they are kind of like -- they end up being sort
 19 of the spread, like if you have a statistical
 20 distribution like a bell curve, and your
 21 centroid is the center of the peak in the bell
 22 curve, and the second moment is going to tell
 23 you about how wide it is, the spread of it, and
 24 they also could -- you might know them as
 25 standard deviation or variants.

1 Q. So then essentially what you are
 2 getting here is a spread in the X direction off
 3 the center, a spread in the Y direction off the
 4 center, and then this, I think you said it
 5 would be G_{xy} , would be kind of a spread along
 6 the diagonal off the center, correct?
 7 A. Something like that, yes.
 8 Q. Okay. And that's going to give me the
 9 second moments that I am going to use in my
 10 covariance matrix, correct?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. But so far the only thing I have found
 13 -- from going through the equations, the only
 14 thing I found in terms of anything I am going
 15 to use for ellipse parameters is that center,
 16 correct?
 17 A. Well, the center, and I would also say
 18 where we started equation 12, the total signal
 19 that's also a very important parameter to
 20 characterize the touch.
 21 Q. It tells you how close the touch is?
 22 A. How strong it is. It also tells you
 23 -- it is a mix of how close it is and how big
 24 it is, how much area it has. It is really kind
 25 of both.

1 Q. Is what you are saying is you sum it
 2 up over all the pixels, so if I have a wide
 3 touch that might not be so close, I will
 4 generate a value, but if I have a more narrow
 5 touch, so to speak, or smaller more pointed
 6 touch, that's very close, that will generate
 7 another value, correct?
 8 A. Yeah.
 9 Q. But in that example, those two values
 10 could be pretty similar, couldn't they?
 11 A. They could, but oftentimes in practice
 12 you find that the large object -- I mean,
 13 theoretically they could be, but in practice
 14 you could often neglect that, you know, for
 15 palms or something that are really large.
 16 I mean, they are just -- even if they
 17 are not real close, they are still going to
 18 have a huge signal compared to a finger, or
 19 tend to.
 20 Q. Okay. So then after I have generated
 21 the second moments, what I end up doing is
 22 finding the first and second Eigenvalues of
 23 that covariance values, correct?
 24 A. Yes.
 25 Q. We're going to spare everybody. We're

1 not going to go ahead and explain what those
 2 Eigenvalues are, okay?
 3 A. Okay.
 4 Q. Fair?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. Let's just assume that they are
 7 generated now, first one, second one, and those
 8 are going to give me essentially the square of
 9 the major and minor axes of the ellipse,
 10 correct?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. And then finally, this last one is
 13 orientation, correct? I am figuring out the
 14 orientation $G \sin \theta$; is that right?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. Theta, that's this little Greek letter
 17 here?
 18 A. Right.
 19 Q. Some engineers, mathematicians like to
 20 use that to denote angles, correct?
 21 A. Yeah.
 22 Q. Okay. Now what I am doing is I am
 23 taking the arc tangent of the first Eigenvalue
 24 less the spread in the X direction divided by
 25 the diagonal spread, correct?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. And that will give me an angle that
 3 tells me how that ellipse that I am trying to
 4 fit is oriented, correct?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. And when I say oriented, I am talking
 7 about with respect to my X/Y axis that we
 8 started with, correct?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. So then from that process, I have now
 11 generated the X position of the center,
 12 correct?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. That's here in 13. I have generated
 15 the Y position of the center, correct?
 16 A. Yes.
 17 Q. I have generated the major axis of my
 18 ellipse, correct, in equation 19?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. I have generated a minor axis in
 21 equation 20, correct?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. And I have generated the orientation
 24 in equation 21, correct?
 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. So those that I just went through,
 2 those would be the five degrees of freedom, so
 3 to speak, of an ellipse, right?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. Basically, the five parameters that
 6 you need to specify to specify an ellipse,
 7 correct?
 8 A. Yes, for an arbitrary ellipse, yes.
 9 Q. By arbitrary, you could always have
 10 special cases where you already know
 11 information beforehand, but assuming I don't
 12 know information beforehand, I don't know where
 13 the touch is going to be, then I need those
 14 five parameters, correct?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. Now, you agree to mathematically fit
 17 an ellipse, you need to calculate the
 18 parameters that describe the ellipse, correct?
 19 A. Yes. You need -- you need to
 20 calculate parameters for an ellipse.
 21 Q. And you also agree that fitting an
 22 ellipse to a pixel group would not include
 23 obtaining, simply obtaining measured data from
 24 an object that is in general ellipse-like,
 25 correct?

1 A. Well, I would say it wouldn't include
 2 just, you know, copying measure -- I think the
 3 confusion and the words can come there is are
 4 you talking about measuring kind of in the Z
 5 axis in the pixel strength, if you are just
 6 copying a group of pixels that happen to have
 7 an ellipse shape and you aren't measuring the
 8 spread, the spatial extent of them, then you
 9 aren't fitting an ellipse. You are just making
 10 a copy of an image of pixels, right?
 11 Is that clear?
 12 Q. Yeah, yeah, no, I understand what you
 13 are saying. So, I mean, essentially what you
 14 are saying is you can't simply copy the data,
 15 you have to figure out these statistical
 16 spreads that we talked about so that you can
 17 actually fit an ellipse to that data as well?
 18 A. Well, you have got to -- you have got
 19 to figure out the spread somehow. You have to
 20 make some sort of spatial measurement on it.
 21 Q. And we talked a little bit before
 22 about, just a minute ago, about these five
 23 parameters to specify an ellipse, right?
 24 A. Yeah.
 25 Q. An arbitrary ellipse, I think you

1 called it. So the X position to Y position,
2 the length of the major axis, the length of the
3 minor axis, and the orientation, right?

4 A. Yeah.

5 Q. But in addition to that, even if I
6 know all five of those things, I have to know
7 that I am also fitting an ellipse to those five
8 things, correct?

9 A. Well, hold on. What is -- I have to
10 know it for what? What was the question?

11 Q. Because I could take those five
12 parameters I just described and I could draw a
13 rectangle, too, right?

14 A. Yeah, I mean, you can always take --
15 circumscribe a circle or a rectangle with an
16 ellipse, and -- and I think the measurements
17 you may do might really be the same in both
18 cases, depending on what your source data looks
19 like, you would do the same thing, and I think
20 the result would seem to be kind of equivalent.
21 To me, regardless of the objective, if it was
22 the same process, I don't know.

23 Q. Okay. I am just trying to -- I mean,
24 the idea is even if I have all those five
25 things, in order to fit an ellipse, as opposed

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1 to one of these other things, I need to know
2 that I am fitting an ellipse, correct?

3 A. No, I am not sure I agree with that
exactly.

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1 Q. Can we -- and, indeed, counsel
 2 directed your attention to the section entitled
 3 3.2.8.2, ellipse fitting, correct?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. And that was page 84 of your thesis --
 6 A. And 85.
 7 Q. And 85. Starting at page 84, going on
 8 to 85 with JX-291.114 to 115. So how many ways
 9 of fitting an ellipse are described in that
 10 section?
 11 A. Well, there is two ways. There is the
 12 more involved statistical approach that we
 13 stepped through on page 84. And then on page
 14 85, it talks about situations where --
 15 basically where the pixel group isn't big
 16 enough for those approaches to work as well,
 17 and that might be when you have a very small
 18 finger touch or a low resolution electrode
 19 array.
 20 Q. Could you identify where in this
 21 section of ellipse fitting in section 3.2.8.2
 22 that that second approach is described?
 23 A. It is after equation 320, the
 24 paragraph there, yes.
 25 Q. Could you describe how this method

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15 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
 16 BY MR. DAVIS:
 17 Q. Dr. Westerman, could I ask you to turn
 18 in your notebook to your thesis, JX-91.
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. Do you recall being asked questions
 21 about this at the beginning of your
 22 examination?
 23 A. Yes, I do.
 24 Q. Does your thesis describe fitting an
 25 ellipse to a pixel group?
 A. Yes, I believe so.

1 works?
 2 A. Well, it talks about what to do when
 3 basically the finger gets too small or the
 4 pixels too weak compared to the resolution of
 5 your image. And at this point, we don't want
 6 things to just kind of -- well, we find it
 7 advantageous to set some limits or defaults for
 8 the ellipse parameters, so that we can report
 9 consistent parameters always to other parts of
 10 the system.
 11 So, for example, if the contact is
 12 very small, we can assume it is circular and
 13 set the eccentricity to one and implicitly
 14 since major radius and minor -- the ratio of
 15 major to minor radius is eccentricity, then you
 16 would set the major and minor radius equal to
 17 like a lower limit default value or it is
 18 suggested here you could also set them
 19 proportional to your total group proximity Gz.
 20 Q. Okay. And what kind of shape do you
 21 get when you do that?
 22 A. You would get a circle.
 23 Q. Okay. And is a circle a form of
 24 ellipse?
 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And why set a default value? Why not
2 just not use any value for those particular
3 parameters?

4 A. Well, you have to remember we're
5 building, you know, a multi-layered system.
6 And other parts of the system, maybe they are
7 trying to identify the fingers or whatever. We
8 always kind of want to report good values or
9 within ranges that make sense, and sometimes
10 when you just take the textbook equations, and
11 your data is insufficient, those equations
12 produce values that don't make as much sense.

13 And so as a good engineer, you look --
14 you alter your method to take that into account
15 and try to produce values for the parameters
16 that make sense all the time, 100 percent of
17 the time. And then that makes it easier to
18 engineer the rest of the system.

19 Q. If you performed the second method
20 described in your thesis rather than the first
21 method, do you still get a circle or other form
22 of ellipse that is indicative of where the
23 touch event occurred?

24 A. Yes, yes, you do. You are still
25 getting contact size, you get a circle

1 Could you turn to column 25 of the
2 patent. Do you see starting around line 54
3 where it states, "the last step, 272, of the
4 segmentation process is to extract shape, size,
5 and position parameters from each of the
6 electrode -- from each electrode group." Do
7 you see that?

8 A. Yes, I see that.

9 Q. For how long in the patent does the
10 description of step 272 go on for?

11 A. It goes on through column 26 and the
12 first paragraph of column 27.

13 Q. And let's talk about that top
14 paragraph of column 27, since the question
15 stopped with regard to the embodiments shown in
16 column 26.

17 Does -- what is the method that is
18 described here at the top of column 7?

19 A. Well, there is, in the first sentence,
20 it is talking about, again, using the total
21 proximity as an alternate indicator of contact
22 size rather than the fitted ellipse parameters,
23 which I'm kind of implicitly referring to the
24 minor radius and major radius, which are other
25 direct measures of the size.

1 representative of like the smallest finger that
2 you are expecting from the system and you get a
3 fixed orientation. Really for circles,
4 orientations don't matter but for other parts
5 of the system it is better to have that
6 orientation fixed vertical than to have it just
7 spinning around randomly.

8 Q. Okay. Could you -- I want to talk now
9 about your patent, the '828 that's at issue
10 here, which is JX-3. Could you turn to figure
11 18?

12 A. Figure 18?

13 Q. Figure 18 of the patent, JX-3. Let me
14 know when you have got it open.

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. Generally speaking, what does figure
17 18 show?

18 A. Figure 18 shows the segmentation of
19 the whole proximity image into groups of
20 pixels. And then in step 272, it shows fitting
21 ellipses to the pixel groups and the output of
22 a set of parameters for each pixel group.

23 Q. Okay. Let's turn now to the part of
24 the specification that talks about step 272,
25 which is fit ellipsis to combined groups.

1 And then I talk about, again, for your
2 smaller contacts and in the situation where the
3 size of your pixel group to the size of the
4 finger is low, then we can set default values
5 for some of the ellipse parameters.

6 Q. Okay. And what kind of shape do you
7 get when you practice the methods shown at the
8 top of column 27?

9 A. You would get a circle.

10 Q. I'm sorry, go ahead.

11 A. Assuming you -- I mean, in practice,
12 what we -- we would set eccentricity to, say,
13 one or a small value and then a major/minor
14 radius have to be set to be equal again.

15 Q. Okay. And does the method described
16 at the top of column 27 that we're looking at
17 now, does that require that a unitary
18 transformation of the covariance matrix be used
19 to set all the ellipse parameters?

20 A. No, in this case, you are kind of
21 bypassing or overriding all of that and you
22 would most likely make this sort of alternate
23 determination based on the thresholding, the Gz
24 or maybe counting the number of pixels or
25 something in your contact, you would decide

1 whether to use this alternate method.
 2 Q. Okay. I want to turn now to the
 3 language that you were directed to on column
 4 26, lines 18 or so where it says -- do you see
 5 where it says the ellipse fitting procedure
 6 requires a unitary transformation of the group
 7 covariance matrix and it goes on? Do you see
 8 that sentence?

9 A. Right.
 10 Q. All right. If all you do is obtain a
 11 unitary transformation of the group covariance
 12 matrix, Geov of second moments Gxx, Gxy and
 13 Gyy, do you -- would that by itself provide you
 14 any parameters for an ellipse?

15 A. No, not -- I mean, not by itself.
 16 That just means rotating the coordinate space
 17 of that matrix.

18 Q. And can you turn to claim 3 of the
 19 '828 patent, which should be column 60.

20 A. Okay.

21 Q. Do you see where it states, "the
 22 method of claim 2 wherein the one or more
 23 ellipse parameters is selected from the group
 24 consisting of position, shape, size,
 25 orientation, eccentricity, major radius, minor

1 Eigenvalues, are there any claims of the patent
 2 that specifically claim competing Eigenvalues
 3 or Eigenvectors to fit an ellipse?

4 A. Yes, I believe there are. That would
 5 be dependent claim number 5, dependent claim
 6 number 9, and then there is also dependent
 7 claim number 20.

8 Q. Okay. And let's go back to column 27
 9 and the method that's described there. Is that
 10 an example of mathematically fitting an
 11 ellipse?

12 MR. NELSON: I am going to object as
 13 leading, Your Honor.

14 JUDGE ESSEX: I'm sorry, what is the
 15 nature of the objection?

16 MR. NELSON: I'm sorry. I don't have
 17 my mic on. I am going to object as leading,
 18 Your Honor.

19 JUDGE ESSEX: Let's rephrase it. What
 20 does this depict?

21 MR. DAVIS: It is a yes-or-no
 22 question.

23 JUDGE ESSEX: Give me the question
 24 again.

25 MR. DAVIS: The question I had asked

1 radius, and any combination thereof"?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. All right. So according to the
 4 specification, are the parameters, shape and
 5 size always computed from the covariance matrix
 6 transformation procedure that's described in
 7 column 26?

8 A. No, no, they are not. An example
 9 would be in figure 25 for contact size so here
 10 we're trying to create what we call this thumb
 11 size factor, and it is -- it is like a special
 12 detector for something that's sized more like a
 13 thumb than either a finger or a palm.

14 And here you will see we're using on
 15 the X axis the contact size, but in this case
 16 we're using the normalized total proximity,
 17 which is Gz or equation 12 that we talked about
 18 earlier as that indicator contact size.

19 And that was, you know, again, it is
 20 just an alternate way of doing things, because
 21 the prototypes at the time, the Gz was more
 22 reliable than the major and minor radius
 23 measurements explicitly output from the
 24 Eigenvalues.

25 Q. Okay. And speaking of the

1 was, does that disclose mathematically fitting
 2 an ellipse? Or does that disclose some other
 3 way of fitting an ellipse?

4 JUDGE ESSEX: Why don't you tell me
 5 what that discloses, Doctor?

6 THE WITNESS: Yes, I believe it is an
 7 alternate way of fitting the ellipse
 8 parameters.

9 JUDGE ESSEX: What parameters?

10 THE WITNESS: Eccentricity,
 11 orientation, setting it to a default, and there
 12 is another example where we use, in figure 25,
 13 where we use the ratio of eccentricity to
 14 proximity as a stand-in for the width of the
 15 contact, which is like an alternate way of --
 16 and another -- well, that's an alternate way of
 17 -- sorry. My words are backwards.

18 So the minor radius is sort of the
 19 first way of measuring the width, but if you
 20 divide -- if you interpret the total proximity
 21 as an area that's roughly the minor radius
 22 times the major radius, and you divide that by
 23 eccentricity, which is the major radius divided
 24 by the minor radius, then that value in, I
 25 think it is figure 25C, is basically equivalent

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1 to a minor radius squared, but it is obtained
2 without directly using the minor radius.
3 Again, we did that because for those
4 prototypes and the noise characteristics of
5 them, that actually gave you a more stable
6 answer to kind of take this round-about method
7 than to use the minor radius directly.
8 BY MR. DAVIS:
9 Q. Do you assign numbers to the, to the
10 -- to each of the five parameters that you use
11 to define an ellipse?
12 A. Yes. In this paragraph we do this,
13 and we have basically always kind of had these
14 limits then and still do in the code, to do
15 this.
16 Q. And do you use the numbers to define
17 the ellipse?
18 A. Yes, they become the ellipse
19 parameters.
20 Q. And does it result in a circle or an
21 ellipse of a certain size once you plug in
22 those numbers?
23 A. Yeah, it --
24 MR. NELSON: Your Honor, I am just
25 going to object. It is leading again. It is

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1 the same exact issue we had before.
2 JUDGE ESSEX: You are kind of leading
3 the witness. Can you rephrase and let him
4 answer?
5 BY MR. DAVIS:
6 Q. Sure. Well, what do you get from the
7 numbers that are assigned to the five
8 parameters?
9 A. Well, what you get is a circle. We
10 have limits like for the major/minor radius of
11 something like 5 or 6 millimeters, that those
12 values are not allowed to go -- regardless of
13 what the equations originally put out, we don't
14 let the numbers go below 5 or 6 millimeters in
15 that same function. We limit them, sort of cap
16 them at 5 or 6 millimeters and then those get
17 transmitted as like a 5 or 6 millimeter circle
18 throughout the system.
19 Q. Okay. When you were working on your
20 Ph.D., were you aware of others who attempted
21 to address the problems that you were
22 addressing in your thesis?
23 A. Well, obviously, I think I have
24 hundreds of references talking about earlier
25 work, but no one had attempted to, I guess,

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1 develop a multi-touch surface so ambitiously
2 with identifying the fingers and trying to
3 merge typing and pointing and gestures and many
4 different modalities on the same surface.
5 Q. Did you -- did you refer to a Rubine
6 reference in your thesis?
7 A. Yes, I find a quote by Rubine, I
8 believe from his Master's or Ph.D. thesis in
9 '93 where he was working with a sensor frame,
10 which is another early -- it was a multi-touch
11 device. Would you like me to --
12 Q. Could I ask you to turn to JX-291.150.
13 What is shown there?
14 A. So this is my discussion of Rubine and
15 his work with multi-path gestures on the sensor
16 frame. And I quote him in the lower paragraphs
17 there where he says that for the devices such
18 as data gloves, which are attached to the hand,
19 and you have actually got sensors, wires
20 running down to each finger, then those devices
21 know exactly which finger is which, which
22 finger is associated with different sensor
23 input.
24 And so, you know, he says they could
25 build one class for thumb paths and one for

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1 forefinger paths and you could easily assign a
2 different operation to each finger. Then he
3 says for the sensor frame and multi-finger
4 tablets, they cannot tell which of the fingers
5 is the thumb, this is the forefinger and so on.
6 Thus, there is no a priori solution to the path
7 sorting and he says the solution he adopted was
8 to just try to apply a consistent ordering
9 between the paths.
10 MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Your Honor. I
11 have no further questions at this time.
12 MR. NELSON: Just a couple.
13 RE-CROSS-EXAMINATION
14 BY MR. NELSON:
15 Q. All right. Let's put column 27 back
16 up there of JX-3, the '828 patent. In that
17 paragraph we were just talking about, let's
18 blow that up again.
19 The one right at the top there. There
20 you go. The first sentence you just looked at
21 with counsel, it says, "on low resolution
22 electrode arrays, the total group proximity Gz
23 is a more reliable indicator of contact size as
24 well as finger pressure than the fitted ellipse
25 parameters." Right?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. So I think you said that that's used
 3 instead of the fitted ellipse parameters in
 4 what's described here in this paragraph at
 5 column 27, correct?
 6 A. Well, what I said is -- I mean, in
 7 practice, what it really means is it is used
 8 instead of minor radius and major radius
 9 individually. I mean, that's the intended
 10 meaning.
 11 Q. Right. And instead of the fitted
 12 ellipse parameters, right?
 13 A. That's what it says.
 14 Q. Okay. And then if you go down below,
 15 you talked about in this next sentence,
 16 "therefore, if proximity images have low
 17 resolution" -- first of all, what is low
 18 resolution?
 19 A. I don't define that. And that's why,
 20 you know, in practice, we still use this, and
 21 that's not to say that the resolution is low,
 22 but in practice what this means is it is, when
 23 the size of the fingertip contact gets so small
 24 relative to the resolution you have, whatever
 25 it is, that you only get a few pixels out, then

1 you are probably in a situation where this
 2 applies.
 3 Q. So but here in column 27, you don't
 4 tell people that are reading the patent when
 5 something is low resolution or when something
 6 is not low resolution, correct?
 7 A. No, I don't.
 8 Q. Okay. And then it goes on to say,
 9 "the orientation and the eccentricity of small
 10 contacts are set to default values rather than
 11 their measured values and total group proximity
 12 Gz is used as the primary measure of contact
 13 size instead of major and minor axis lengths,"
 14 do you see that?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. And so let's focus on the orientation
 17 and eccentricity. Set to default values, that
 18 means they are not calculated, correct?
 19 A. I don't agree with that, because to me
 20 in the work that I do, we're always computing
 21 these things. And, as I say, having to place
 22 limits and sort of post-process. And to me
 23 that's part of the process is to keep values
 24 within a meaningful range. And that's what
 25 this is talking about.

1 Q. Well, what this says is you set to
 2 default value, correct?
 3 A. You do, but it is based on -- you are
 4 setting it to default value, but it is usually
 5 -- you know, it is based on a decision, which
 6 is, you know, all part of the calculation.
 7 You are setting, you know, at the end
 8 of the equations your default value, too, but
 9 it is based on, you know, a set of decisions
 10 and formulas and this would be as well.
 11 Q. Well, here in column 27, you don't
 12 tell anybody that's reading this patent, set it
 13 to a default value that's dependent upon
 14 something that you measure, do you?
 15 A. I don't say it, but I say the
 16 eccentricity of small contacts, I don't say it
 17 is large, and so I think there is an implicit
 18 decision in there that you are only going to do
 19 this for the small ones, so implicitly you are
 20 making a decision somehow, as I suggested
 21 earlier, probably based on Gz, of what's small
 22 and what is large and whether to do this.
 23 Q. But you don't say any of that here in
 24 the paragraph in 27, correct?
 25 A. I don't give the details of that.

1 Q. Okay. So then in the example that you
 2 were talking about with counsel, I think you
 3 said that what you do, what you did in practice
 4 is you set the eccentricity value to 1,
 5 correct?
 6 A. Yep.
 7 Q. Eccentricity value of 1 is a circle,
 8 correct?
 9 A. Yep.
 10 Q. So that's a value, right? That's not
 11 calculated, correct?
 12 A. I mean, it is a value. To say it is
 13 not calculated, as I say, to me, the
 14 calculation is still -- the process you are
 15 taking to get there is still a calculation.
 16 Q. So what you are saying is you
 17 calculated something to determine that I
 18 shouldn't use any of those values, I should set
 19 it to a default value?
 20 A. Yes, I think so.
 21 Q. But the determination of the default
 22 value is not a calculation in and of itself,
 23 correct?
 24 A. Not -- not as explained here.
 25 Q. Okay. Thank you very much for your

1 time.

2 MR. NELSON: I don't have any further
3 questions at this time, Your Honor.

4 MS. KATTAN: No questions, Your Honor.

5 MR. DAVIS: Just a couple of
6 questions, Your Honor.

7 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MR. DAVIS:

9 Q. Could we pull back up column 27, JX-3.
10 So in the example that's provided at the top of
11 column 27, do you use the numbers that are
12 assigned as default values to determine the
13 size or shape of the circle?

14 MR. NELSON: I am going to object as
15 leading, Your Honor. He can ask him what he
16 uses the values for, but he can't keep
17 suggesting the answers.

18 JUDGE ESSEX: Rephrase your question,
19 please.

20 BY MR. DAVIS:

21 Q. Sure. So what is used to determine
22 the size and shape of the circle?

23 A. That would be -- I mean, the default
24 values become like, you know, they would become
25 like the major radii and minor radii. And

1 doesn't have to worry about whatever -- all
2 those different conditions. It can be
3 100 percent rock solid confident that values
4 for all parameters are always provided from
5 lower layers.

6 Q. Okay. And under the example that is
7 provided at the top of column 27, what are you
8 using the values to do?

9 A. Well, we can be using them -- sorry.
10 I am not sure what level.

11 I mean, in that layer, you know, they
12 are filling in the ellipse parameters. And
13 then in the higher layers, they could be using
14 them to decide if something is a finger or a
15 palm or a thumb like on the edge of a phone or
16 for debugging to display -- to display the
17 touches for purposes of just seeing what
18 touches are on the screen and how big they are.

19 Q. Okay. So is the example that's
20 provided at the top of column 27, is that an
21 example -- is that mathematically fitting an
22 ellipse or not mathematically fitting an
23 ellipse?

24 MR. NELSON: Objection, leading, Your
25 Honor. It is exactly the same question you

1 those would have been chosen, as I said,
2 probably like representative of the smallest
3 fingertip you would reasonably expect to see,
4 like, you know, a child's fingertip or
5 something.

6 Q. Is the default value a number value or
7 is it some other type of value?

8 A. It is a numeric measurement, like 5 or
9 6 millimeters.

10 Q. Okay. And are number values assigned
11 to each parameter or are there certain
12 parameters for which no number value is
13 assigned?

14 A. Well, typically when we engineer these
15 systems, in order to allow layering of them
16 and, you know, or in order to keep the layers
17 independent, you want your bottom layer, let's
18 call it the ellipse-fitting layer, to always
19 provide values for all parameters.

20 And you may have many different
21 alternate ways that you calculate those in
22 different conditions, but you always provide
23 them, so the next layer of the system doesn't
24 have to have any special knowledge about, oh,
25 is this value good now or is it only -- it

1 have already sustained the objection to.

2 JUDGE ESSEX: Let me ask the question
3 here from my -- having listened to the three of
4 you go over this and that, is there a point
5 where the contact seems so slight to the system
6 that it fits a value and that value is always
7 the same? Is that what is going on here?

8 THE WITNESS: Well, it is for
9 particular parameters. It is not for all.

10 JUDGE ESSEX: I understand not for all
11 parameters, but for particular parameters, if
12 it is below a minimum, then it has a value that
13 will always be the same value?

14 THE WITNESS: Yes.

15 JUDGE ESSEX: Is that what is going
16 on?

17 THE WITNESS: Yes.

18 JUDGE ESSEX: Okay.

19 MR. DAVIS: Thank you.

20 JUDGE ESSEX: Are you happy with that?

21 MR. DAVIS: I am happy with that, Your
22 Honor.

23 JUDGE ESSEX: Are you happy with that?

24 MS. KATTAN: Yes, Your Honor.

25 JUDGE ESSEX: All right. Anything

1 else?
 2 MR. NELSON: Nothing from us, Your
 3 Honor.
 4 JUDGE ESSEX: All right, Doctor. I
 5 think we're done with you. Thank you very
 6 much.

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