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easily seen on the screen. Alternatively, the first translucent window (e.g., window 351) is hidden so that only the second window (e.g., window 361) is displayed. The timer of the first window is stopped while being hidden until the second window is automatically closed. In a further embodiment of the present invention, the window system tracks the translucent windows to automatically schedule the sequence and the screen positions of the display of the translucent windows according to the importance of the windows, the time to close (or estimated time to close), and/or other conditions.

[0040] Figures 8 – 11 show an example of translucent windows that are initiated by a system without any input associated with user input devices (e.g., a keyboard, mouse, track ball, touch pad, touch screen, joy stick, button, or other criteria). In one embodiment of the present invention, these translucent windows do not consume any user input; and no user input can be provided to these windows to close these windows, which close automatically when certain conditions are met (e.g., the expiration of a timer, the change in system status, and others). In one alternative embodiment of the present invention, these windows accept predetermined inputs (é.g., special function keys, such as the escape key "ESC" for closing) so that a user has the option to directly control the display of these translucent windows.

[0041] A user may initiate a translucent window through an input associated with a user input device. For example, a user may use a special function key to adjust volume (or contrast, or brightness). In response to the special function key, a translucent window is displayed to show the current volume level (or contrast, or brightness). In one embodiment of the present invention, the window system (or an application program) automatically determines a location for displaying the translucent volume window (e.g., independent from the location of a cursor on the screen). When the volume window receives an input from the function key for adjust volume, the timer for the translucent volume window is restarted. After the user

stops adjusting the volume for a predetermined amount of time, the timer expires; and the volume control window is faded out and closed automatically. In one embodiment of the present invention, the volume window is not translucent. In one embodiment of the present invention, the translucent window initiated by an input associated with a user input device does not close in response to any input from a user input device (e.g., the window does not have a button for closing the window, nor takes a short cut key for closing the window); the window closes only automatically. When the window does not close in response to any input from a user input device, the window may still respond to system inputs, such as a request from the operating system to close the window (e.g., when the user starts to shut down a computer system). In one embodiment of the present invention, a message window initiated by a user only displays a message to the user without consuming any input from user input devices.

[0042] In one embodiment of the present invention, when a translucent window accepts user input, the translucent window consumes only predetermined inputs for user input devices; other inputs are forwarded to normal windows as if the translucent window does not exist. For example, if a cursor related event (e.g., a click) is not accepted by the translucent window, the input is considered for the window that is just under the translucent window so that the user can interact with the window under the translucent window as if the translucent window does not exist. If the translucent window does not consume a keyboard input, the keyboard input is forwarded to the window that has the keyboard focus (which is typically indicated by a highlighted title bar). Thus, the presence of the translucent window has minimum distractions for the user working on regular windows.

[0043] Figures 7 - 11 illustrate one embodiment of the present invention with translucent windows. It is apparent to one skilled in the art from this description that some methods of the present invention can be implemented for windows that are not

translucent.

[0044] Figure 12 shows a flow diagram of a method to display a window according to one embodiment of the present invention. Operation 401 displays a user interface window (e.g., a translucent window which when displayed on top of a portion of a second window allows the user to see the portion of the second window through the translucent window); and operation 403 automatically closes the user interface window (e.g., fade out an image of the window and destroy the window) without user input (e.g., after a timer expired, or after a determination that a system status is changed or a condition is met, or after receiving input that is not associated with any user input device).

[0045] Figure 13 shows a flow diagram of a method to close a window according to one embodiment of the present invention. Operation 411 displays a first window in response to an input (e.g., an input from a user input device, or an input that is not associated with any user input device, such as an input trigged by a system event, a change in system status, ringing signals on a phone line, or inputs initiated by the operating system). Operation 413 starts a timer. Operation 415 closes the first window when the timer expires (e.g., fade out an image of the first window and destroy the first window).

[0046] Figure 14 shows a detailed flow diagram of a method to control a translucent window according to one embodiment of the present invention. After operation 421 receives an input (e.g., a user input from a user input device, such as a keyboard, a mouse, a track ball, a touch pad, a touch screen, a joy sticker, a button, or others) from a digital processing system, operation 423 displays a first translucent window on a display device (e.g., a LCD display, a CRT monitor, a touch screen, or others) of the digital processing system (e.g., on top of a portion of a second window), where the first window does not close in response to any input from a user input device of the digital processing system. Operation 425 starts a timer. When

operation 427 determines that an input (e.g., a user input or a system input) for the first window is received, operation 431 restarts the timer; and operation 433 processes the input (alternatively, the timer may be stopped and restarted after the input is processed). When operation 429 determines that a second translucent window is displayed, operation 435 repositions (or hides) the first translucent window. When one of a number of translucent windows is closed, the remaining translucent window(s) may be repositioned (or displayed if hidden). Operation 437 closes the first translucent window when the timer expires (e.g., by fading out an image of the first window and destroying the first window).

[0047] Figure 15 shows a method to display a translucent window according to one embodiment of the present invention. Operation 441 combines the image of a translucent window and the portion of the image of window under the translucent window to generate a combined image for the translucent window and the window under the translucent window. Operation 443 displays the combined image on the screen for the translucent window and the window under the translucent window. If operation 445 determines that the translucent window is updated or operation 447 determines that the window under the translucent window is updated, operation 441 is performed to update the corresponding portion of the screen image. In a buffered window system, the images of the translucent window and the window under the translucent window are generated separately; and the window system combines the images of the windows to display the translucent window and the window under it. In a non-buffered window system, the translucent window may generate the image of the translucent window on top of the other window using the image of the window under it. For example, the translucent window obtains the image of the window under it after the window under it draws on the frame buffer; then, the translucent window generates a combined image to update the corresponding portion of the screen.

[0048] Figures 16 - 21 show example screen images of windows displayed according to one embodiment of the present invention. When a user starts to adjust the volume level (e.g., pressing on a function key for increasing or decreasing volume, or selecting an item from a system control menu with a cursor control device, such as a mouse or a touch pad), translucent volume window 511 appears on screen 501. Since window 511 is translucent, the portion of window 503 under window 511 is still visible. In one embodiment of the present invention, when window 511 is initially loaded, the background of volume window 511 has a high degree of transparency; and the content of window 511 has a low degree of transparency (or no transparency). Therefore, the user can easily see the content of window 511 when the user is supposed to focus on window 511. As the user provides input to adjust the volume level, window 511 remains in a state with a high degree of transparency for the background and a low degree of transparency for the content. For example, when the user decreases the volume level (e.g., pressing a function key, or an array key), the volume level is decreased as indicated by window 521 in **Figure 17**. When the user further decreases the volume level to mute the speakers, window 531 changes an icon to indicate that the speakers are muted, as shown in **Figure 18**. When the user starts to adjust the brightness of the monitor, translucent brightness window 541 appears, as shown in Figure 19, while the volume window is hidden (or destroyed, or converted into the brightness window by redrawing the icon and the level bar). If the user stops providing input for the brightness window for an amount of time (e.g., a predetermined amount of time, a randomly selected amount of time, a time period determined according to a system condition or other criteria, a time period calculated on the fly, or a time period specified by a user) window 541 starts to fade away and be destroyed, as shown in Figures 20 and 21. In one embodiment of the present invention, when a translucent window starts to fade away, the degree of transparency of the content in the

translucent window is increased to allow the user to see better the window under the translucent window, as illustrated by window 551 in Figure 20. Thus, the degree of transparency of the window can be adjusted during the life cycle of the window to lead the focus point of the user. Further, a user may specify the degree of transparency of the window (e.g., as a preference parameter). The image of the window may fade out smoothly in an animation; or the image of the window may fade out in a number of discrete steps. The degree of translucency, the speed for fading out, the discrete levels of translucency for fading out, the time to expire, and/or other parameters for controlling the display of the window may be set by the user or adjusted by the system (or application software programs) automatically according to system conditions or other criteria. For example, the system (or application programs) may adjust the time to expire according to the number of translucent windows displayed concurrently on the screen; or the system (or an application program) may adjust the initial degree of translucency according to the color pattern at the location where the translucent window is displayed.

[0049] In the foregoing specification, the invention has been described with reference to specific exemplary embodiments thereof. It will be evident that various modifications may be made thereto without departing from the broader spirit and scope of the invention as set forth in the following claims. The specification and drawings are, accordingly, to be regarded in an illustrative sense rather than a restrictive sense.

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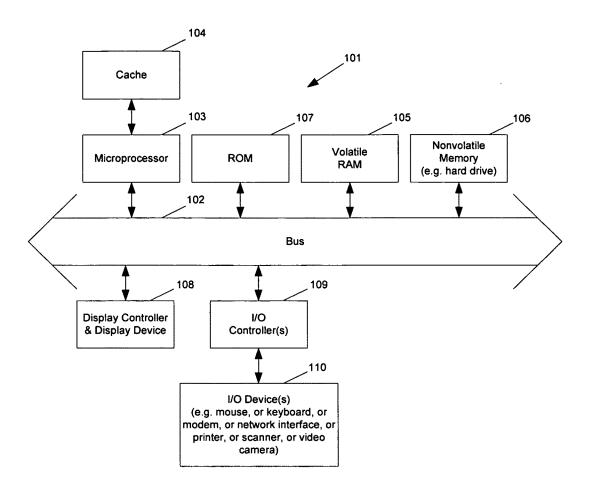


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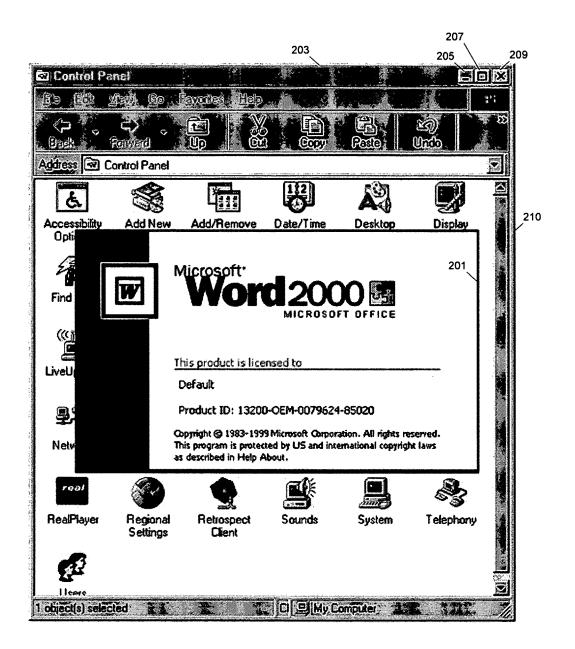


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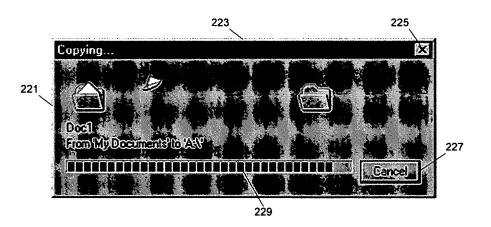


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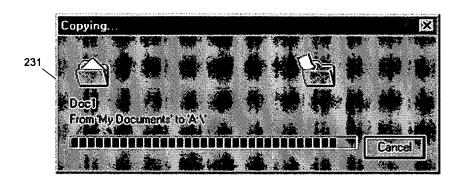


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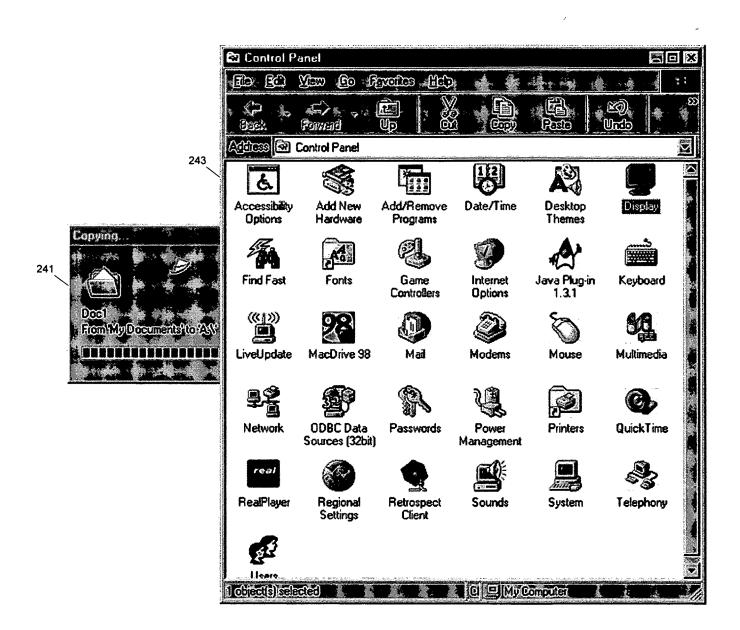


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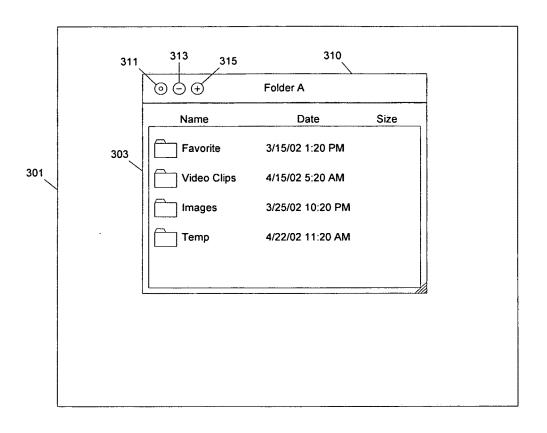


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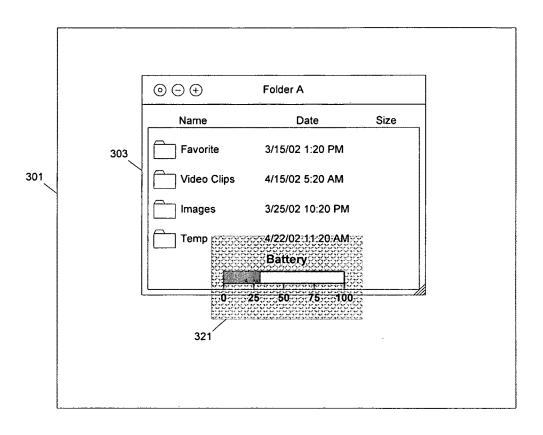


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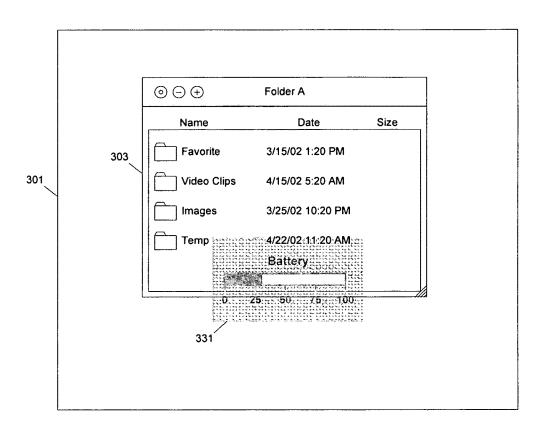


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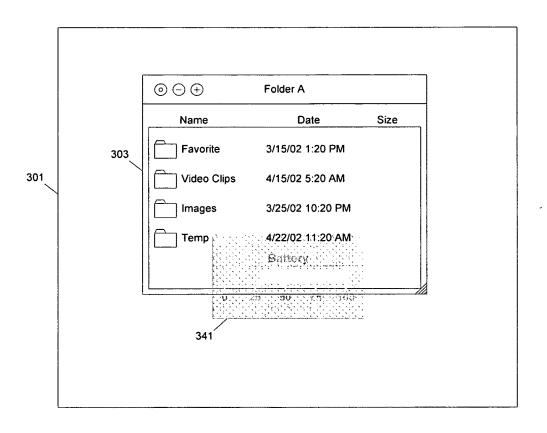


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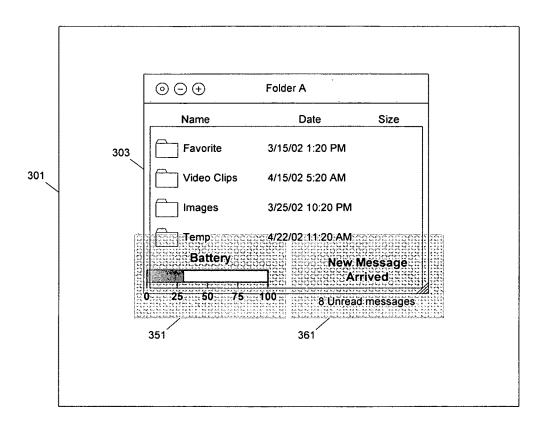


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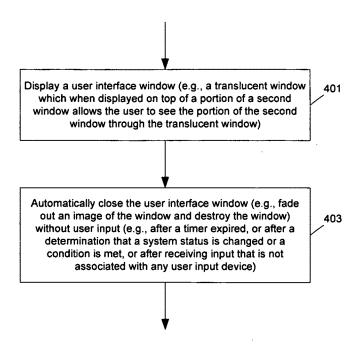


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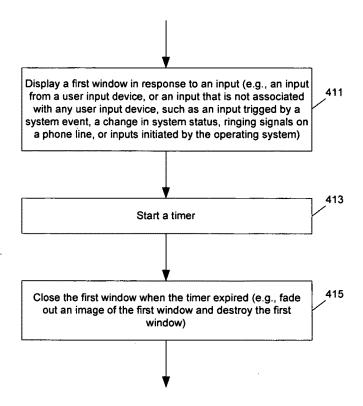


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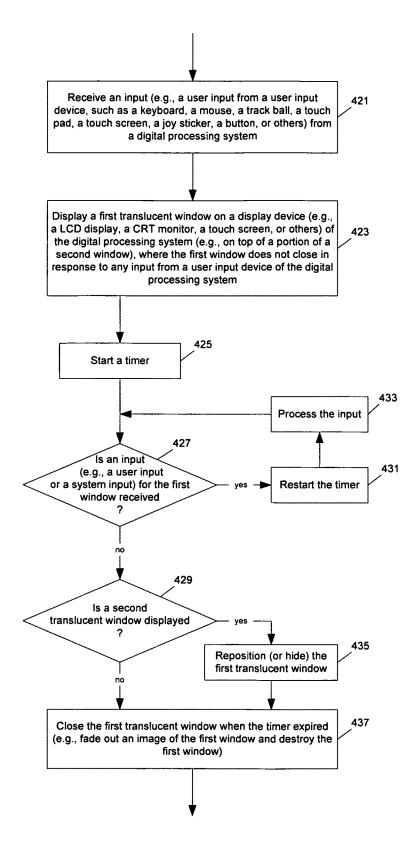


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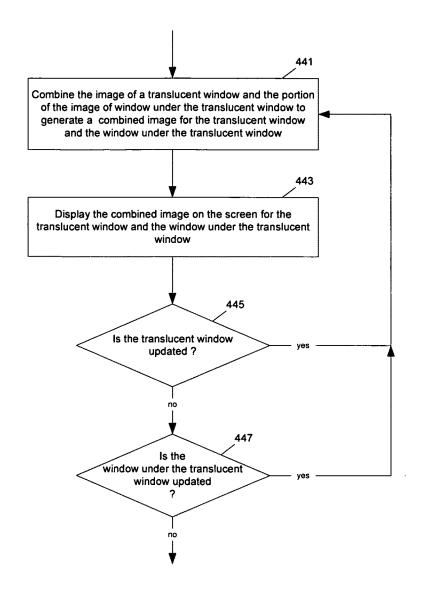


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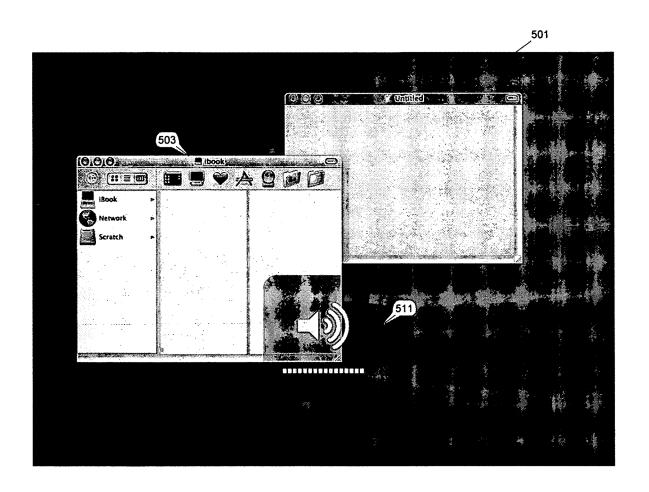


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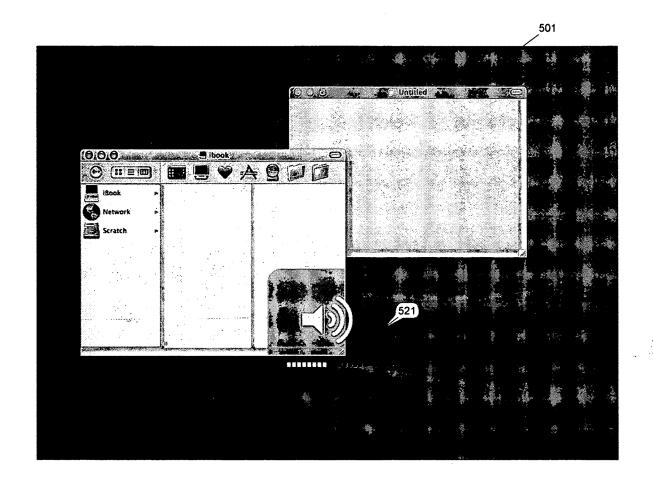


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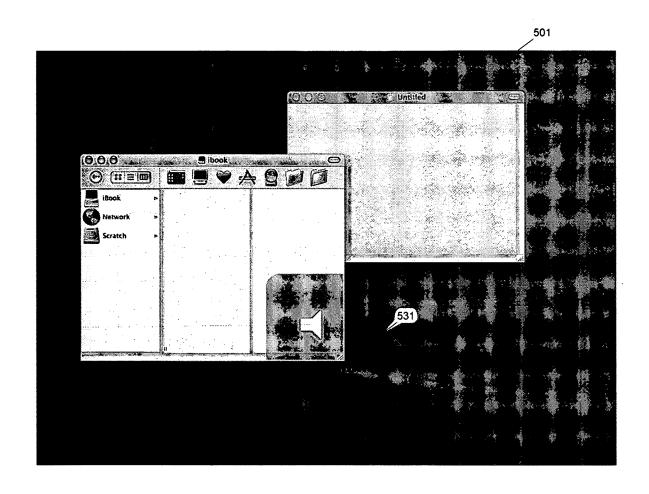


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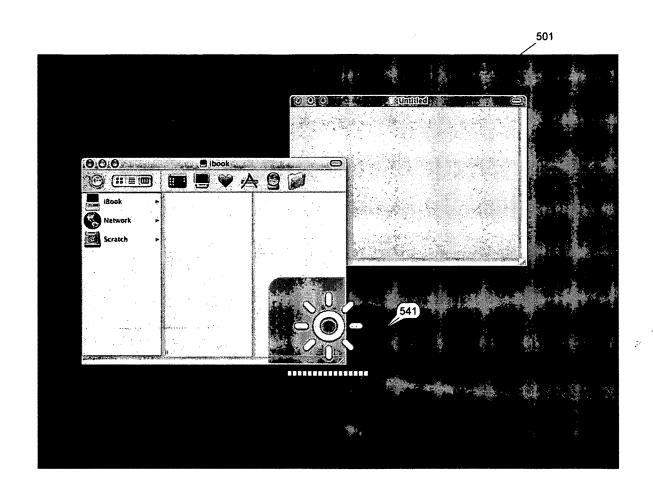


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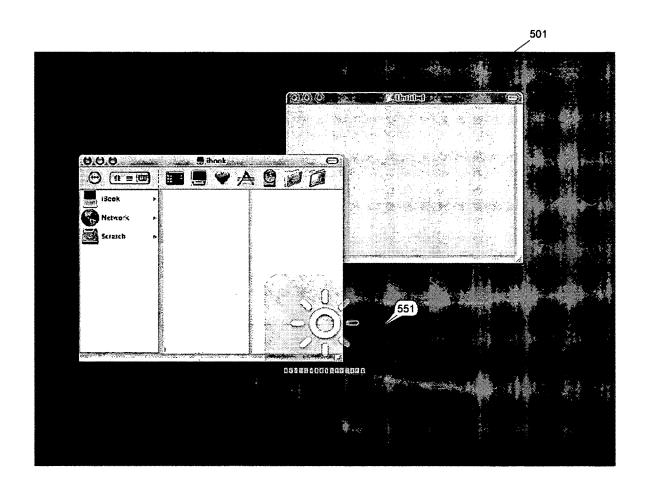


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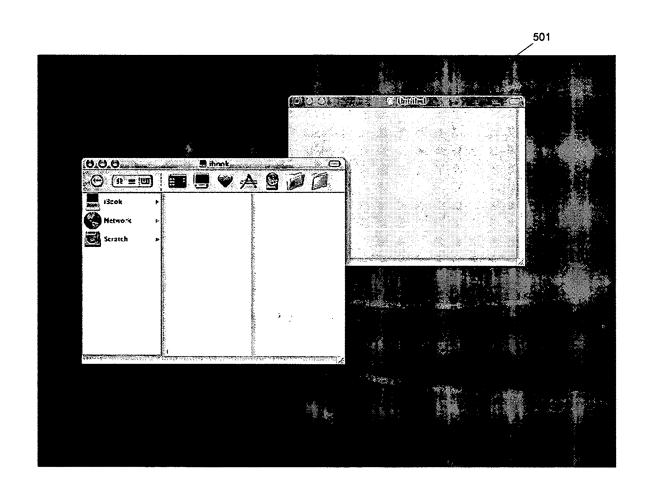


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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In this Notice, the line quality in Figures 2-6 and 16-21 was indicated as "too light to be reproduced" or "missing or blurry" by the Notice; in response, please note that differences in the shading in the figures is used to accurately depict the invention consistent with the specification. Replacement Figures 2-6 have been darkened and should be accepted. Figures 16-21 show examples of screen images which included regions which fade away; see paragraph [0048]. Hence, at least some of the drawings are meant to depict a sequence of images, over time, in which some of the regions fade away

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Respectfully submitted,

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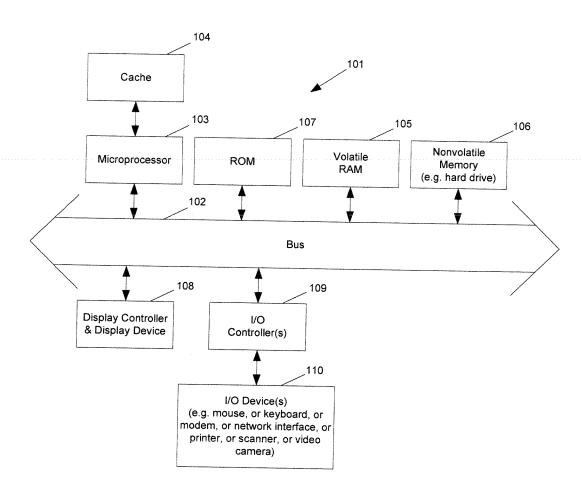


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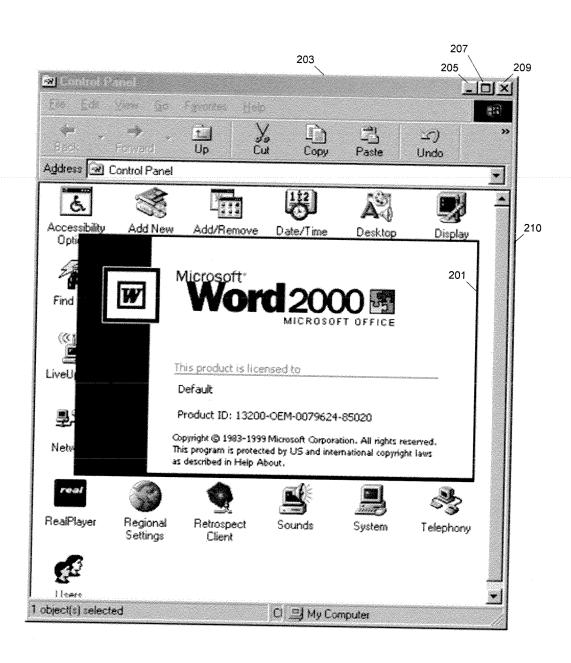


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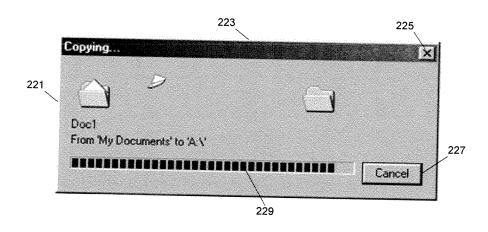


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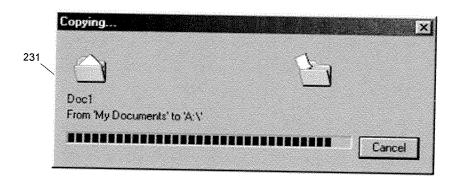


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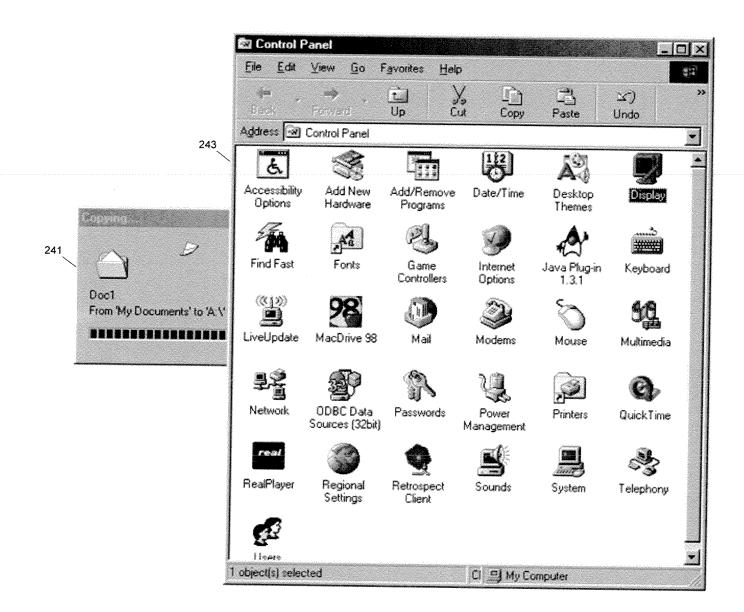


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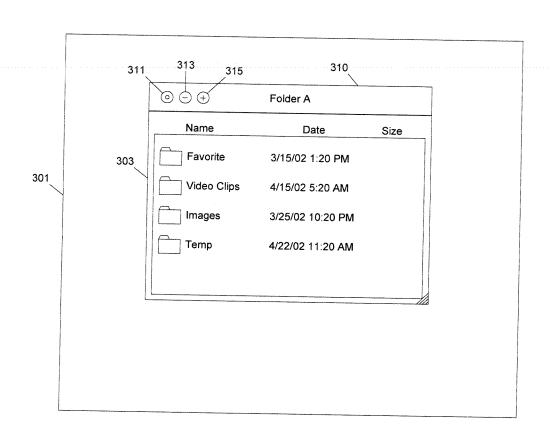


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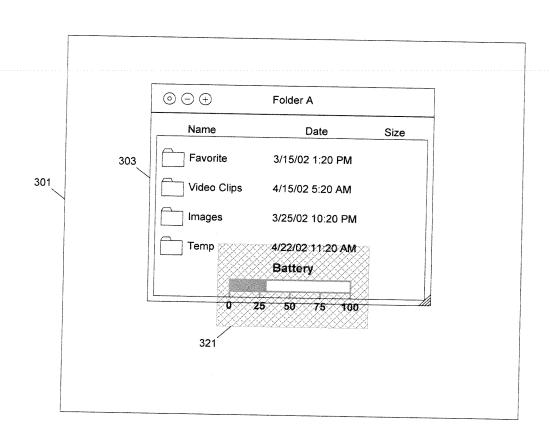


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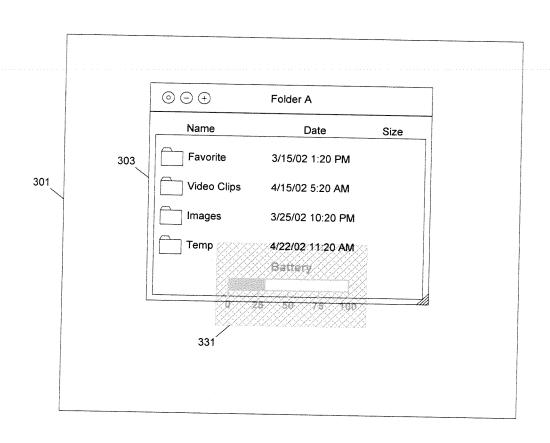


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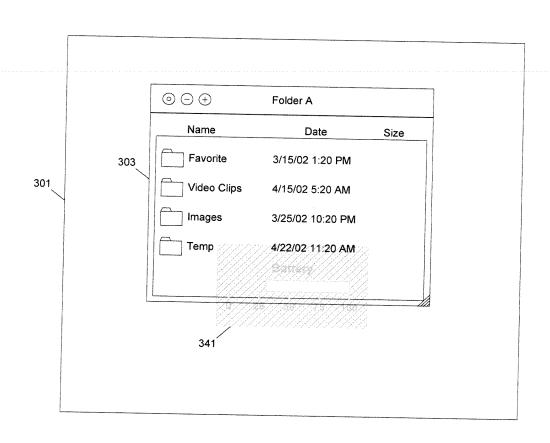


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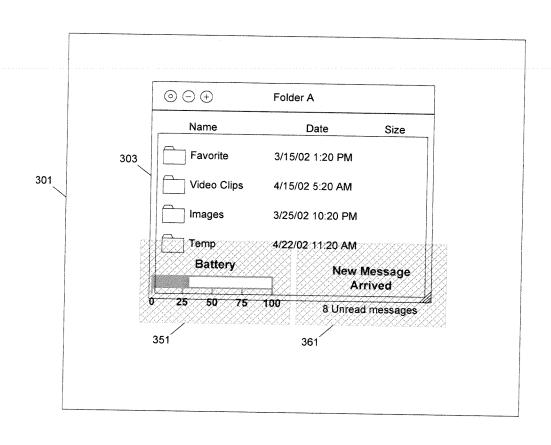


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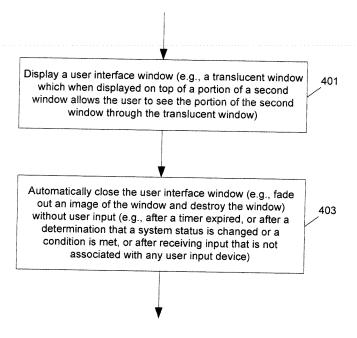


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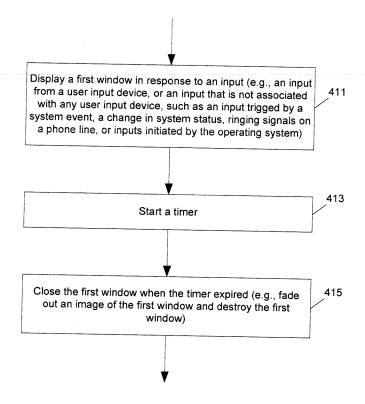


Fig. 13