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(54) ANTENNA DEVICE AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS INCLUDING ANTENNA DEVICE

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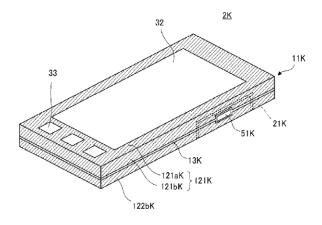
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna device includes a casing including a metal casing portion and a feed coil. The metal casing portion includes a main surface, a side surface connected to the main surfaces, and a notch portion located in the side surface. The feed coil is disposed inside the casing to be coupled with the metal casing portion by a magnetic field, and includes a winding central portion forming a coil opening portion. The feed coil is disposed near the notch portion, with the coil opening portion directed to a region including the notch portion.

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(54) INTEGRATED ANTENNA BEAM STEERING SYSTEM

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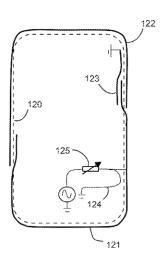
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(57) ABSTRACT

The disclosure concerns a beam steering antenna system that can be integrated into a portion of a mobile device, such as a ring conductor that encompasses the device or traverses a portion of the periphery of the mobile device. The single port antenna is capable of generating multiple radiation modes which possess different radiation pattern characteristics. An offset parasitic is implemented to couple to the main radiating element and alter the current distribution to affect a change in radiation mode. The coupling typically occurs at a coupling region designed into the conductive ring used as the antenna in a wireless device.

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(54) SWITCHING A SLOT ANTENNA

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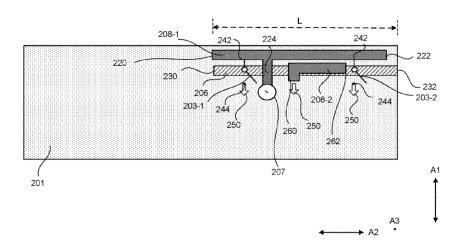
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(57) ABSTRACT

A computing device may include a conductive member, a slot antenna including a slot defined by the conductive member, and an antenna pattern portion disposed proximate to the slot. The computing device includes an antenna switch configured to switch the antenna pattern portion. The antenna switch has a first terminal coupled to the antenna pattern portion and a second terminal coupled to a ground contact. The antenna switch is switchable between a first configuration in which the first and second terminals are electrically connected and a second configuration in which the first and second terminals are not electrically connected. The computing device includes a switching controller configured to switch the antenna switch between the first and second configurations.

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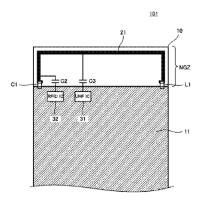
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(57) ABSTRACT

A square bracket-shaped radiation element is in a nonground region of a board. A first reactance element that equivalently enters a short-circuited state in a second frequency band is connected between a second end of the radiation element and a ground conductor. A second reactance element that equivalently enters a short-circuited state in a first frequency band s connected between a first end of the radiation element and the ground conductor. In the UHF band, the radiation element and the ground conductor function as an inverted F antenna that contributes to field emission. In the HF band, a loop including the radiation (Continued)





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(54) ANTENNA STRUCTURE AND WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE USING SAME

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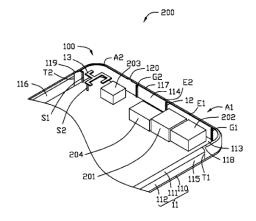
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna structure includes a housing, a first feed portion, a first ground portion, and a second ground portion. The housing defines a slot, a first groove, and a gap. The housing is divided into a first portion and a second portion by the slot, the first groove, and the gap. The first portion is further divided into a first radiating portion and a second radiating portion by the first feed portion. A first portion of the housing extending from the first feed portion to the first gap forms the first radiating portion. A second portion of the housing extending from the first feed portion to the groove forms the second radiating portion. The second radiating portion is shorter than the second portion. The second portion is shorter than the first radiating portion. The first portion activates a first operation mode and the second portion activates a second operation mode.

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(54) ANTENNA MODULE AND MOBILE TERMINAL HAVING THE SAME

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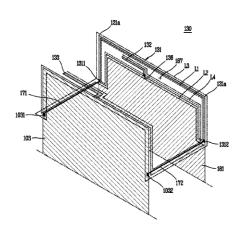
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ABSTRACT

Disclosed are an antenna module and a mobile terminal having the same. The antenna module includes a ground plate; a metal plate spaced apart from the ground plate by a distance such that a surface of the metal plate faces a surface of the ground plate; a first conductive member spaced apart from an edge of the ground plate by a distance, the first conductive member encompassing the edge; a feeding part formed on the ground plate; a second conductive member formed on the ground plate and coupled to the feeding part, wherein the second conductive member indirectly feeds the first conductive member and the metal plate; and a first connection member and a second connection member that couple the ground plate to the metal plate.

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METHOD THEREOF

MOBILE DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING

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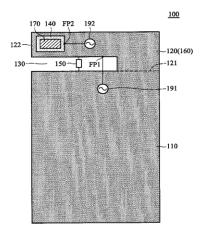
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(57) ABSTRACT

A mobile device includes a metal housing and an antenna structure. A ground plane and a ground branch form at least a portion of the metal housing. The ground branch is coupled to the ground plane. A slot is formed between the ground branch and the ground plane. A circuit element is coupled to the ground branch and the ground plane. The antenna structure is formed by the ground branch. The antenna structure is excited by a signal source.

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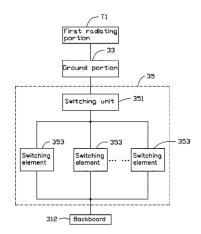
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna structure includes a metal housing, a feed portion, and a ground portion. The metal housing includes a front frame, a backboard, and a side frame. The side frame defines a slot and the front frame defines a first gap and a second gap. The metal housing is divided into at least a first radiating portion and a second radiating portion by the slot and the first and second gaps. The feed portion is electrically connected to the first radiating portion. The ground portion is electrically connected to the first radiating portion. The second radiating portion includes a first radiating section, a second radiating section, and a connecting section perpendicularly connected to the first radiating section, perpendicularly connected to the first radiating section, and the second radiating section, and the backboard. The first radiating section and the second radiating section are both parallel to the first radiating portion.

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(54) ANTENNAS WITH SHARED GROUNDING STRUCTURE

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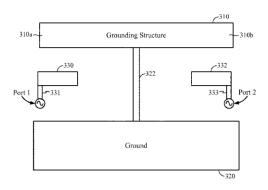
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(57) ABSTRACT

Techniques for providing multiple antennas in a wireless device using a compact configuration to achieve good isolation and broad bandwidth. In an aspect, first and second monopole elements that may be separately driven are provided on opposite sides of a grounding strip conductively coupled to a common grounding structure. By capacitively coupling the first and second monopole elements to the common grounding structure, the effective resonator size of each monopole antenna is increased, thus achieving better performance for the antenna structure. Illustrative patterns for the common grounding structure and other antenna elements are further disclosed.

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(54) ANTENNA STRUCTURE FOR MOBILE PHONE

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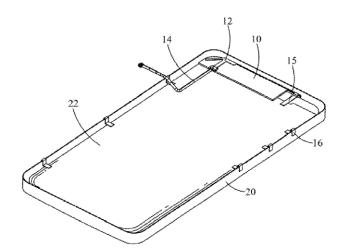
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(57) ABSTRACT

An antenna structure for mobile phone includes a branch antenna acting with a metal shell of the mobile phone, an insulating body located in the metal shell, a main antenna disposed on the insulating body to be coupled to the metal shell and having a feed portion, and a feed-line including a conductive portion welded with the feed portion. The metal shell has a back cover and a ring-shaped metal frame integrated with the back cover. A circuit board is located in the metal shell. The main antenna has a ground portion connected to a ground circuit of the circuit board, and the feed-line includes a braid portion connected with the ground circuit. The metal frame is formed into a continuous metallic loop configuration to ensure integrality and beauty of the metal shell for the mobile phone.

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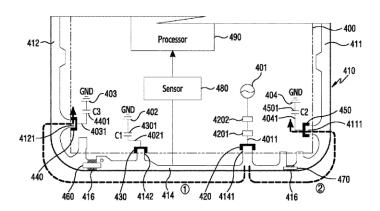
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(57) ABSTRACT

According to various embodiments, there is provided an electronic device including: a housing; a first conductive member that forms a portion of the housing and is at least partially disposed within the housing; a second conductive member that forms another portion of the housing and includes a portion disposed adjacent to a portion of the first conductive member; a non-conductive member disposed between the portion of the first conductive member and a portion of the second conductive member; a capacitive coupling structure coupled between the first conductive member and the second conductive member; a communication circuit electrically coupled to the first conductive member; and a sensor electrically coupled to the first conductive member. Various other embodiments may be made.

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(57)ABSTRACT

An antenna is provided to be applied in a mobile terminal having a metal body. The antenna includes: a feed point; a first ground point; and a metal dome connected with the feed point. A metal frame is extended from an upper side of the metal body. The metal frame is provided with a slit. The metal dome is fixedly connected with the metal frame at an end near the slit. The feed point is disposed on the metal body and under the metal dome. The first ground point is disposed on the metal body and connected with the metal frame.

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