## Agenda

- U.S. Patent Procurement
- Patent Searching
- U.S. Trademark Procurement
- Trademark Searching
- Overlapping Universes of Intellectual property
- Case Studies (time permitting)



## **U.S. Patent Procurement**

- USPTO's Patent Process Overview
- www.uspto.gov/patentsgetting-started/patentprocess-overview



## **Overview of U.S. Patent Procurement Process**

- Prepare application
  - Description
  - Drawings
  - Claims
- Application is Examined
  - Prior Art Search
  - (Usually) Issues Office Action
- File Response
  - Amendments, AND/OR
  - Arguments
- (Possibly) Final Office Action
- (Possibly) Amendment, Request Continued Examination, or Appeal

#### **U.S. Patent Procurement – how long will it take?**



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#### Office Time and Applicant Time - Traditional Total Pendency



#### Office Time and Applicant Time - Traditional Total Pendency Including Requests for Continued Examination (RCEs)



traditional total pendency including RCEs measure, and the Track One Prioritized Examination Process. The data is cumulative for the year and breaks out time into three categories: prosecution time with the office, time awaiting first action, and prosecution

# U.S. Patent Procurement – How much will it cost?





## U.S. Patent Procurement – a financial timeline



- Fees for a U.S. non-provisional patent application without extras fees for claims or pages
- Micro Entity/Small Entity/Large Entity

## **Patent Searching**

- Types of Searches
  - Patentability
  - Validity
  - Infringement
  - Clearance
  - State of the Art
- Tools and Techniques
  - USPTO's Seven Step Search Strategy
  - USPTO Search Example



# Types of Prior Art Searches – Patentability Search

- To determine if an invention is patentable / claim scope
- Look for prior art disclosing the invention or something similar
- Any "public domain" knowledge







## **Collecting Information About Inventions**

- Invention Disclosure Form (IDF)
  - Title of the invention
  - Name and contact information for each inventor
  - Field of the invention
  - Current state of the art, including any problems with current solutions
  - Objections and goals of the invention
  - Detailed explanation of the invention, including:
    - Advantages over the current state of the art
    - Alternative embodiments
  - Include drawings, flowcharts, logic diagrams, and electrical schematics
  - Any prior disclosure of the invention
- Interview the Inventor(s)

## **Types of Prior Art Searches – Validity Search**

- To determine the validity of an issued patent
- Look for prior art documents that would invalidate one or more claims in the issued patent



## **Types of Prior Art Searches – Validity Search** (example)

What is claimed is:

- 1. An apparatus, comprising:
- a vehicle ("ego-vehicle") configured to be autonomously navigated in a peloton along a roadway, wherein the peloton comprises the ego-vehicle and at least one additional vehicle, wherein the ego-vehicle comprises: a vehicle navigation system which is configured to:
  - based on a comparison of driving ranges of each of the ego-vehicle and the at least one additional vehicle, determine a particular configuration of the peloton, which comprises a particular peloton position in which the ego-vehicle is navigated relative to the at least one additional vehicle, which reduces a difference of the relative driving ranges of the ego-vehicle and the at least one additional vehicle; and
  - generate a set of control commands which cause the vehicle to be navigated in the peloton at the particular peloton position, according to the particular configuration of the peloton.

#### **Related U.S. Application Data**

Provisional application No. 62/232,853, filed on Sep. (60)25, 2015.

#### (12) United States Patent Aikin et al.

(10) Patent No.: US 10,108,202 B1 (45) Date of Patent: Oct. 23, 2018

References Cited

#### (54) PELOTON

- (71) Applicant: Apple Inc., Cupertino, CA (US)
- (72) Inventors: Randol W. Aikin, Sunnyvale, CA (US); Malcolm J. Northcott, Felton, CA (US)
- (73) Assignee: Apple Inc., Cupertino, CA (US)
- ( \* ) Notice: Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.
- (21) Appl. No.: 15/275,160
- (22) Filed: Sep. 23, 2016

#### **Related U.S. Application Data**

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G05D 1/0293 (2013.01); B60L 11/1801 CPC ...... (2013.01); B60L 11/1816 (2013.01); G05D 1/0295 (2013.01)

Field of Classification Search (58)

CPC ...... G05D 1/00; G05D 1/0293; G05D 1/0295; B60L 11/00; B60L 11/1801; B60L 11/1816; G01C 21/00; G01C 21/26; G01C 21/34; G08G 1/22 See application file for complete search history.

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Primary Examiner - Yonel Beaulieu (74) Attorney, Agent, or Firm - Robert C. Kowert;

Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C.

#### ABSTRACT

A vehicle configured to be autonomously navigated in a peloton along a roadway, wherein the peloton comprises at least the vehicle at least one additional vehicle, is configured to determine a position of the vehicle in the peloton which reduces differences in relative driving ranges among the vehicles included in the peloton. The vehicles can dynamically adjust peloton positions while navigating to reduce driving range differences among the vehicles. The vehicle can include a power management system which enables the vehicle to be electrically coupled to a battery included in another vehicle in the peloton, so that driving range differences between the vehicles can be reduced via load sharing via the electrical connection. The vehicle can include a power connector arm which extends a power connector to couple with an interface of another vehicle.

#### 20 Claims, 5 Drawing Sheets



# **Types of Prior Art Searches – Infringement Search**

- To determine whether a patent claim would be infringed
- Compare a proposed product or service to non-expired U.S. patents

	United States Patent Aikin et al.	(10) Patent No.:         US 10.198,202 B1           (45) Date of Patent:         Oct. 23, 2018	
(54)	PELOTON	(56) References Cited	September 23, 2016
(71)	Applicant: Apple Inc., Cupertino, CA (US)	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS	+
(72)	Inventors: Randol W. Aikin, Sunnyvale, CA (US); Malcolm J. Northcott, Felton, CA	6,032,097 A * 2/2000 Iihoshi G08G 1/22 180/168	20 years
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	patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.	9,396,661 B2 * 7/2016 Okamoto	=
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(22)	File: Sep. 23, 2016	* cited by examiner	
(60)	Related U.S. Application Data Provisional application No. 62/232,853, filed on Sep.	Primary Examiner — Yonel Beaulieu (74) Attorney, Agent, or Firm — Robert C. Kowert; Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C.	
	25, 2015.	(57) ARSTRACT	



## **Types of Prior Art Searches – Clearance Search**

- To determine if an action is a "safe" practice of the prior art ("safe" = reduced risk of patent infringement liability)
- Try to find that the invention has been "dedicated to the public"



Scope

- Expired or Lapsed Patents
- Abandoned Published Patent Applications

# **Types of Prior Art Searches – State of the Art Search**

- To determine the "lay of the land" in a technical space
- Look at the broad, general inventive concept without specific implementation details



## **USPTO's 7-Step Search Strategy**

- 1. Brainstorm Terms
- 2. Find Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC)
- 3. Verify CPC



- 4. Retrieve Issued U.S. Patents with CPC, Review and Narrow Results
- 5. Review Each Relevant Patent in Depth including References Cited by the Examiner and the Applicant
- 6. Retrieve U.S. Patent Applications with CPC, Review and Narrow Results
- 7. Broaden Your Search

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## **USPTO Search Example – Step 1**

 Invention: Umbrella with a new rib design to eliminate collapsing or inverting due to winds

Step 1: Brainstorm Terms

- Umbrella
- Rib
- Parasol
- Sunshade
- Wind-resistant



## **USPTO Search Example – Step 2**

Step 2: Find CPC

- www.uspto.gov
- Search for "CPC scheme umbrella"
- Scan results for the best match: "A45B 25/22 Devices for increasing the resistance of umbrellas to wind"
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## **USPTO Search Example – Step 3**

#### Step 3: Verify Relevancy of CPC

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D	A45B 25/22
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D	A45B 25/26
D	A45B 25/28
D	A45B 25/30
D	- A45B 27/00
D	A45B 27/02

- . . Windows in covers
- . Devices for increasing the resistance of umbrellas to wind
- . Protective coverings for umbrellas when closed
- . . Ventilated coverings
- . Drip receptacles for umbrellas; Attaching devices therefor
- . Name-plates; Badges; Labelling or marking devices; Means for attaching same (attached to the umbrella stick A45B 9/06)

#### Ladies' or like fans

. with mechanical hand-drive

#### A45B 25/22

Devices for increasing the resistance of umbrellas to wind

#### **Definition statement**

This place covers:







#### **USPTO Search Example – Step 4**

Step 4: Retrieve Issued U.S. Patents with CPC

- www.uspto.gov/patent
- Use PatFT tool
- Search String: CPC/ A45B25/22
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#### Patent Tools & Links

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## **USPTO Search Example – Step 4 (continued)**

Step 4 (cont.): Review and Narrow Results of >100 patents, including U.S. Patent No. 10,092,069

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		d States Patent inthwaite et al.	(10) Patent No.: US 10,092,069 B2 (45) Date of Patent: Oct. 9, 2018
(54)	UMBREI MECHAN	LA HAVING AN ANTI-INVERSION NSM	(58) Field of Classification Search CPC
(71)	Applicant:	Shedrain Corporation, Portland, OR (US)	See application file for complete search history.
(72)	Inventors:	David Haythornthwaite, Fujian Province (CN); Andrew Haythornthwaite, Fujian Province	(56) References Cited U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS
(73)	Assignee:	SHEDRAIN CORPORATION, Portland, OR (US)	864,572         A         8/1907         Stimmel           1,167,431         A         1/1916         Raabe           1,369,996         A         3/1921         Weatbeld           1,405,824         A         *         2/1922         Evans           135/29         135/29         135/29         135/29
(*)	Notice:	Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.	1,434,942 A 11/1922 Brandt 1,743,043 A 1/1930 Mclean 1,964,292 A 6/1934 Livingston 2,185,587 A 1/1940 Carlisle
(21)	Appl. No.	15/409,088	(Continued)
(22)	Filed:	Jan. 18, 2017	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS CN 2381177 6/2000
(65)		Prior Publication Data	DE 390403 2/1924
	US 2017/0	196324 A1 Jul. 13, 2017	(Continued)
	Re	ated U.S. Application Data	Primary Examiner — Noah Chandler Hawk (74) Attorney, Agent, or Firm — Leason Ellis LLP
(63)		on-in-part of application No. 14/614,906, ab. 5, 2015, now Pat. No. 9,668,553.	(54) ABSTRACT
(60)	19, 2016,	l application No. 62/377,042, filed on Aug. provisional application No. 62/423,708, ov. 17, 2016.	An umbrella has a plurality of ribs attached to a runner by main struts. The umbrella has an anti-inversion mechanism formed of a plurality of anti-inversion struts. Each anti-
	Int. Cl. A45B 25/2 A45B 25/2 A45B 25/2 A45B 25/2 A45B 25/2 A45B 25/2	6 (2006.01) 8 (2006.01) 4 (2006.01)	inversion struit is pivotally coupled to one respective main strut and is pivotally connected to a floating joint member that is freely movable along a length of one respective rib. The anti-inversion mechanism also includes a stop that is fixedly attached to the rib and restricts the degree of travel of the floating joint member along the rib and is positioned to prevent the respective rib from inverting in response to an
(52)			applied force. 17 Claims, 33 Drawing Sheets

## **USPTO Search Example – Steps 5 & 6**

Step 5: Review Each Relevant Patent in Depth including References Cited during Examination

 HINT: List of the references cited by the Examiner and the Applicant starts on the front page of the patent

Step 6: Retrieve U.S. Patent Applications with CPC, Review and Narrow Results

- Use AppFT tool
- Example: CPC/A45B25/22

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## **USPTO Search – Step 7**

#### Step 7: Broaden Your Search

Title

 Consider inventor(s) and assignees of relevant patents

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1 <u>10,092,069</u> T <u>Umbrel</u>	<u>a having an anti-inversion mechanism</u>
2 <u>9,756,912</u> Wind re	<u>sistant umbrella</u>
3 D789,074 Button :	<u>`or a handle</u>
4 <u>9,668,554</u> <u>Umbrel</u>	<u>a having an anti-inversion mechanism</u>
5 <u>9,668,553</u> Tumbrel	<u>a having an anti-inversion mechanism</u>
6 <u>9,609,926</u> <u> Umbrel</u>	a having improved shaft and rib assembly
7 D773,799 <b>Button</b> :	<u>for a handle</u>
8 <u>9,301,582</u> III <u>Umbrel</u>	a having improved shaft and rib assembly
9 <u>D699,543</u> <b>T</b> <u>Handle</u>	
10 <u>D691,446</u> <b>T</b> <u>Handle</u>	
11 <u>D689,280</u> <u>Umbrel</u>	a having reflective material
12 <u>D652,203</u> <u>Umbrel</u>	a having reflective material
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	PAT. NO.	Title
1	10,092,069	Umbrella having an anti-inversion mechanism
2	<u>9,838,749</u>	System and methods for providing content to vehicles
3	<u>9,756,912</u>	Wind resistant umbrella
4	<u>D789,074</u>	Button for a handle
5	<u>9,668,554</u>	<u>Umbrella having an anti-inversion mechanism</u>
6	<u>9,668,553</u>	<u>Umbrella having an anti-inversion mechanism</u>
7	<u>9,609,926</u>	<u>Umbrella having improved shaft and rib assembly</u>
8	<u>D773,799</u>	Button for a handle
9	<u>9,301,582</u>	Umbrella having improved shaft and rib assembly
10	8, <u>858,038</u>	Lighting apparatus with peak/flat adjustment
11	<u>D713,637</u>	Pocket umbrella and container
12	2 <u>D699,543</u>	I <u>Handle</u>
13	<u>D691,446</u>	I <u>Handle</u>
14	<u>8,453,660</u>	Foldable pocket umbrella
15	<u>D481,531</u>	Umbrella handle
16	<u>D466,764</u>	Eating utensil
17	6, <u>453,063</u>	Automatic focused ion beam imaging system and method
18	3 <u>6,288,393</u>	Automated method of circuit analysis
19	<u>5,647,982</u>	Vacuum filter element
20	D343,351	Container
21	<u>D309,071</u>	Condiment dispenser
22	2 <u>4,721,222</u>	Combination beverage can carrier device and drinking accessory
23	4 <u>,702,004</u>	Glass razor blade and handle
24	4, <u>616,828</u>	Tennis ball
25	<u>4,613,138</u>	Tennis racquet with flexible membrane frame
26	4 <u>,597,576</u>	Sports racquet utilizing non-circular strings
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## **USPTO Search – Step 7**

#### Step 7: Broaden Your Search

- Keyword Searching
  - HINT: Use OR between synonyms
  - HINT: Place phrases and terms of art in quotation marks
  - HINT: Use truncation symbols
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- Other sources:
  - Search the Espacenet patent database @ http:// worldwide.espacenet.com
  - Search Non-Patent Literature Disclosures

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## **Trademarks**

#### K&L GATES





#### **Trade Dress**





United States Patent and Trademark Office



Reg. No. 4,277,914 APPLE INC. (CALIFORNIA CORPORATION) Registered Jan. 22, 2013 # MS 36-4TM Int. Cl.: 35

SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

1 INFINITE LOOP CUPERTINO, CA 95014

FOR: RETAIL STORE SERVICES FEATURING COMPUTERS, COMPUTER SOFTWARE, COMPUTER PERIPHERALS, MOBILE PHONES, CONSUMER ELECTRONICS AND RELATED ACCESSORIES, AND DEMONSTRATION OF PRODUCTS RELATING THERETO, IN CLASS 35 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND 102).

FIRST USE 9-0-2006; IN COMMERCE 9-0-2006.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE DESIGN AND LAYOUT OF A RETAIL STORE. THE STORE FEATURES & CLEAR GLASS STOREFRONT SURROUNDED BY A PANELED FACADE CONSISTING OF LARGE, RECTANGULAR HORIZONTAL PANELS OVER THE TOP OF THE GLASS FRONT, AND TWO NARROWER PANELS STACKED ON EITHER SIDE OF THE STOREFRONT. WITHIN THE STORE, RECTANGULAR RECESSED LIGHTING UNITS TRAVERSE THE LENGTH OF THE STORE'S CEILING. THERE ARE CANTILEVERED SHELVES BELOW RECESSED DISPLAY SPACES ALONG THE SIDE WALLS, AND RECTANGULAR TABLES ARRANGED IN A LINE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STORE PAR-ALLEL TO THE WALLS AND EXTENDING FROM THE STOREFRONT TO THE BACK OF THE STORE. THERE IS MULTI-TIERED SHELVING ALONG THE SIDE WALLS, AND A OBLONG TABLE WITH STOOLS LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE STORE, SET BELOW VIDEO SCREENS FLUSH MOUNTED ON THE BACK WALL. THE WALLS, FLOORS, LIGHTING, AND OTHER FIXTURES APPEAR IN DOTTED LINES AND ARE NOT CLAIMED AS INDIVIDUAL FEATURES OF THE MARK; HOWEVER, THE PLACEMENT OF THE VARIOUS ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE PART OF THE OVERALL MARK.



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#### **Trademark Procurement**

- USPTO's Trademark Process
- www.uspto.gov/trademarks-getting-s trademark-process

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#### **Trademark Procurement - flowcharts**



www.uspto.gov/trademark/trademark-timelines/trademark-application-and-post-registration-process-timelines

## **Trademark Procurement – a financial timeline**



## **Trademark Searching**

- www.uspto.gov/trademark
- Exact mark
- Part(s) of the mark
  - HINT: Try sounds-like searching
  - Combine part(s) of the mark with an International Classification (IC) (Find @ www.wipo.int/classifications/ nice/en/)
  - Combine part(s) of the mark with goods or services
- Other sources: common law use (search online)



#### Trademark Tools & Links





# Case Study #1 – Beatbots LLC

- Founded by a CMU grad student
- Website: http://beatbots.net/
- Products and Services
  - Robots
  - Software
  - Apparel
- Intellectual Property
  - Utility Patents (search at www.uspto.gov)
  - Design Patents (search at www.uspto.gov)
  - Trademarks (search at www.uspto.gov)
  - Copyrights (search at www.copyright.gov)





#### **Beatbots's Brand**



- Trademarks
  - Registered U.S. trademark BEATBOTS in International Classes 9 (electrical and scientific aparatus), 25 (apparel), and 28 (games and playthings)
  - Foreign trademarks
  - Unregistered marks

## **Beatbots's Blennie**

- A wobbling robot that exhibits vestibulo-ocular reflex
- http://beatbots.net/blennie
- Intellectual Property
  - Utility Patent: U.S. Patent No. 9,358,475, which claims priority to a provisional patent application
  - Design Patent: U.S. Design Patent No. D714,881
  - Trademarks?
  - Copyright?
  - Trade Dress?





#### (12) United States Patent Michalowski et al.

10)	Patent No.:	US 9,358,475 B2
45)	Date of Patent:	Jun. 7, 2016

B2

#### (54) ROBOT

- (71) Applicant: Beatbots, LLC, San Francisco, CA (US)
- (72)Inventors: Marek P. Michalowski, San Francisco, CA (US); Gregory R. Katz, San Francisco, CA (US); Thiago G. Hersan, Pittsburgh, PA (US); Alea C. Teeters, Daly City, CA (US)
- (73) Assignee: BEATBOTS, LLC, San Francisco, CA
- Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this (\*) Notice: patent is extended or adjusted under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) by 0 days.
- (21) Appl. No.: 14/568,821
- (22)Filed: Dec. 12, 2014
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#### (58) Field of Classification Search

USPC ...... 446/273-275, 279, 280, 286-288, 446/324-326, 330, 351, 353, 379, 431, 457 See application file for complete search history.



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#### ABSTRACT

A robot is disclosed. The robot can comprise a body comprising a curved base and a multi-directional center of mass shifter assembly positioned within the body. The multi-directional center of mass shifter assembly can comprise a weight, a first actuator drivingly coupled to the weight, and a second actuator drivingly coupled to the first actuator. Actuation of the first actuator can be configured to rotate the weight relative to a first axis, and actuation of the second actuator can be configured to rotate the weight relative to a second axis, which is transverse to the first axis. The robot can comprise an inertial measurement unit, a controller, and/or an eye movable relative to the body. The position of the eye can be adjusted by an eye actuation assembly.

#### 14 Claims, 12 Drawing Sheets





11. A robot, comprising:

FIG. 5

a body comprising an inertial measurement unit, wherein the inertial measurement unit is configured to detect a direction of movement of the body;

an eye movable relative to the body, wherein the eye comprises an actuation assembly comprising:

a first actuator comprising a first output drive;

a second actuator coupled to the first output drive. wherein the second actuator comprises a second output drive, and wherein the second output drive is transverse to the first output drive: and

a controller in communication with the inertial measurement unit and the actuation assembly, wherein the controller is configured to control the actuation assembly to move the eye in the opposite direction of the direction of movement of the body detected by the inertial measurement unit.
## (12) United States Design Patent (10) Patent No.: Michalowski et al.

### (54) TOY

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(57)CLAIM

The ornamental design for a toy, as shown and described.

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### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front-left perspective view of a toy. FIG. 2 is a front elevation view thereof. FIG. 3 is a rear elevation view thereof. FIG. 4 is a left elevation view thereof. FIG. 5 is a right elevation view thereof. FIG. 6 is a top plan view thereof. FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view thereof. FIG. 8 is a front-left perspective view of a second embodiment of the toy; FIG. 9 is a front elevation view thereof. FIG. 10 is a front elevation view thereof in an alternate position. FIG. 11 is a front elevation view thereof in a second alternate position. FIG. 12 is a front elevation view thereof in a third alternate position. FIG. 13 is a rear elevation view thereof. FIG. 14 is a left elevation view thereof. FIG. 15 is a right elevation view thereof. FIG. 16 is a top plan view thereof. FIG. 17 is a bottom plan view thereof. FIG. 18 is a front-left perspective view of a third embodiment of the toy; FIG. 19 is a front elevation view thereof. FIG. 20 is a rear elevation view thereof. FIG. 21 is a left elevation view thereof. FIG. 22 is a right elevation view thereof. FIG. 23 is a top plan view thereof; and, FIG. 24 is a bottom plan view thereof. In all figures, broken lines illustrate environmental structures and form no part of the claimed design.

### 1 Claim, 24 Drawing Sheets



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FIG. 11



FIG. 12



# **Beatbots's Ploomi**

- A glowing, touch-sensitive, interactive robotic character
- http://beatbots.net/ploomi
- Intellectual Property
  - Utility Patent: U.S. Patent No. 9,421,688, which claims priority to a provisional patent application
  - Design Patent: U.S. Design Patent No. D714,883
  - Trademarks?
  - Copyright?
  - Trade Dress?





## (12) United States Patent Michalowski et al.

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### ABSTRACT

A robot is disclosed. The robot can comprise a body and an emotion-expressing system. The emotion-expressing system can comprise a touch sensor embedded within the body, a feedback generator, and a controller in communication with the touch sensor and the feedback generator. The controller can be configured to determine the emotional state of the robot based on feedback from the touch sensor, and the feedback generator can be configured to generate feedback indicative of the emotional state.

20 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets







1. An emotionally-expressive robot configured to respond to touches by an interactant, wherein the emotionally-expressive robot comprises:

a body comprising a deformable portion and a non-planar outer surface; and

an emotion-expressing system, comprising:

an internal touch sensor embedded within the body, wherein the deformable portion of the body is positioned intermediate the internal touch sensor and at least a portion of the non-planar outer surface, and wherein the internal touch sensor is configured to detect externally-applied forces at a plurality of non-planar locations on the non-planar outer surface through the deformable portion;

a feedback generator; and

a controller in communication with the internal touch sensor and the feedback generator, wherein the controller is configured to determine an emotional state of the robot based on feedback from the internal touch sensor, and wherein the feedback generator is configured to generate feedback indicative of the emotional state.

## (12) United States Design Patent (10) Patent No.: Michalowski et al. (45) Date of Patent:

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The ornamental design for a toy, as shown and described.

### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front-right perspective view of a toy. FIG. 2 is a rear-right perspective view thereof. FIG. 3 is a front elevation view thereof. FIG. 4 is a rear elevation view thereof. FIG. 5 is a left elevation view thereof. FIG. 6 is a right elevation view thereof. FIG. 7 is a top plan view thereof. FIG. 8 is a bottom plan view thereof. FIG. 9 is a front-left perspective view of a second embodiment of the toy. FIG. 10 is a front elevation view thereof. FIG. 11 is a rear elevation view thereof. FIG. 12 is a left elevation view thereof. FIG. 13 is a right elevation view thereof. FIG. 14 is a top plan view thereof; and, FIG. 15 is a bottom plan view thereof. In all figures, broken lines illustrate environmental structures and form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 15 Drawing Sheets





FIG. 1



FIG. 9



# Beatbots's metrognōm

- A metronome and a metrognome
- http://beatbots.net/metrognom
- Intellectual Property
  - Design Patent: U.S. Design Patent No. D714,888
  - Trademarks?
  - Copyright Registration Nos. VAu001149651 (color drawing), VAu001149660 (line drawing), VAu001149726 (sculpture)



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## (12) United States Design Patent (10) Patent No.:

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(57) CLAIM

The ornamental design for a toy, as shown and described.

### DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front-left perspective view of a toy.
FIG. 2 is a front elevation view thereof.
FIG. 3 is a front elevation view thereof in an alternate position.
FIG. 4 is a front elevation view thereof in a second alternate position.
FIG. 5 is a rear elevation view thereof.
FIG. 6 is a left elevation view thereof.
FIG. 7 is a right elevation view thereof.
FIG. 8 is a top plan view thereof.
FIG. 8 is a bottom plan view thereof.
In all figures, broken lines illustrate environmental structures and form no part of the claimed design.

### 1 Claim, 9 Drawing Sheets



# Case Study #2: Uber Technologies Inc.

- Provider of a mobile application that allows users to request transportation services and automatically sends the closest available Uber driver to the user
- Founded in 2009
- Currently available in over 60 countries
- www.uber.com



# **Uber's Intellectual Property**

- Issued U.S. Utility Patents
- Issued U.S. Design Patents
- Issued foreign patents (Canada and Europe)
- Pending U.S. and foreign patent applications
- Registered U.S. Trademarks, including:
  - UBER
  - UBEREATS
  - UBERRUSH
  - UBERX
  - EVERYONE'S PRIVATE DRIVER
  - UBERCAB



## (12) United States Patent Zych

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### TRACT

vides systems and methods that of a highly capable automated the systems and methods of the uman (e.g., a passenger, driver/ or of an autonomous vehicle) to ion control of the autonomous ion plan that controls the vehicle ion to a secondary motion plan safe state. As such, the systems nt disclosure enable advanced tonomous vehicle behavior in autonomous vehicle to operate otherwise maneuver to a safe state, without requiring the human to actually assume manual control of the vehicle.

18 Claims, 4 Drawing Sheets



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# Independent Claim 1 in U.S. Patent No. 10,156,849

What is claimed is:

1. A computing system, comprising:

one or more processors; and

one or more non-transitory computer-readable media that collectively store instructions that, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the computing system to perform operations, the operations comprising:

prior to receiving a user input:

determining a primary motion plan that controls an autonomous vehicle towards a first destination;

determining a secondary motion plan that controls the autonomous vehicle to a second destination that is different than the first destination; and

controlling the autonomous vehicle according to the primary motion plan;

receiving the user input; and

in response to receipt of the user input, switching a control of the autonomous vehicle from the primary motion plan to the secondary motion plan that was determined prior to receipt of the user input;

wherein the computing system comprises multiple redundant motion planning systems, the multiple redundant motion planning systems comprising:

a primary motion planning system that determines the primary motion plan; and

a secondary motion planning system that determines the secondary motion plan; and

wherein the primary motion planning system and the secondary motion planning system share sensor data but separately determine the primary motion plan and the secondary motion plan.

#### (12) United States Design Patent (10) Patent No.: US D837,229 S Hilhorst et al. (45) Date of Patent: Jan. 1, 2019 \*\*

- 54) COMPUTING DEVICE DISPLAY SCREEN WITH GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE FOR PROVIDING GEOGRAPHIC-BASED SERVICE INFORMATION
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### CLAIM

The ornamental design of a computing device display screen with graphical user interface for providing geographic-based service information, as shown and described.

### DESCRIPTION

The FIGURE illustrates a computing device display screen with graphical user interface for providing geographic-based service information.

The broken lines, which depict the computing device and a portion(s) or element(s) of a graphical user interface, are provided for the purpose of illustrating environment and/or context, and form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 1 Drawing Sheet







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