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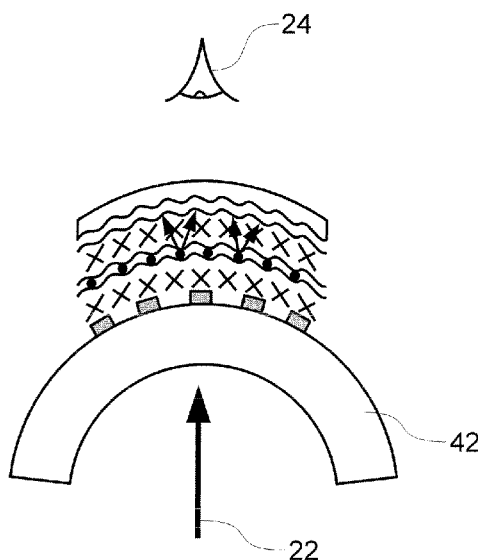
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides for a data protection device comprising an optically variable diffractive scratch-layered structure overlying data to be protected, wherein the device includes at least first and second opaque metallic layers separated by a flexible light-absorbing separation layer.

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