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ABSTRACT

HANDWRITTEN KEYBOARDLESS - ENTRY COMPUTER SYSTEM

A keyboardless-entry computer system includes a transparent input screen (18) that generates positional information when contacted by a stylus (16) and a display screen (20) mounted below the input screen so that a displayed character or symbol can be viewed through the input screen. When a handwritten symbol is written or drawn by a user, the positional information is input to a processor to identify the handwritten symbol as a font or command symbol, and to display the font or command symbol on the display screen. The processor can access a respective personalised database for each of a plurality of users, in which characteristics of handwritten symbols previously written or drawn by that user are stored in association with font or command symbols. A characteristic of a handwritten symbol subsequently written or drawn by that user is compared by the processor with the characteristics stored in the database for that user and if a comparison is successful, the subsequently written or drawn handwritten symbol is identified as corresponding to the associated font or command symbol.

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