

What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:
  - causing a display device of a mobile communication device to display a user interface including a main menu having a fixed portion and a movable portion, the fixed portion including primary icons associated with primary functions of the mobile communication device and the movable portion including secondary icons associated with secondary functions of the mobile communication device;
  - receiving a first input via a touch interface of the display device to scroll the secondary icons within the movable portion;
  - causing the secondary icons to scroll within the movable portion while the primary icons remain stationary within the fixed portion in response to the first input; and
  - receiving a second input via the touch interface to select a secondary icon from the movable portion to access a secondary function of the mobile communication device.
2. The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising:
  - determining an orientation of the mobile communication device; and
  - causing the user interface to be displayed in one of a portrait mode or a landscape mode in response to the determined orientation.
3. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein the movable portion is positioned to a side of the fixed portion when the user interface is displayed in the portrait mode, the secondary icons being aligned vertically and scrolling in a vertical direction.
4. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein the movable portion is positioned below the fixed portion when the user interface is displayed in the landscape mode, the secondary icons being aligned horizontally and scrolling in a horizontal direction.
5. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein the primary icons are displayed in a vertical arrangement within the fixed portion when the user interface is displayed in the portrait mode, the primary icons remaining fixed with respect to the display during scrolling of the secondary icons.
6. The method as recited in claim 2, wherein the primary icons are displayed in a horizontal arrangement within the fixed portion when the user interface is displayed in the landscape mode, the primary icons remaining fixed display during scrolling of the secondary icons.
7. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the first input comprises a flick gesture input, and wherein the secondary icons continue scrolling for a duration of time after receipt of the flick gesture input.
8. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the primary icons comprise a phone icon associated with a mobile phone function, a search icon associated with a search function, and a navigation icon associated with a navigation function employing a global positioning system of the mobile communication device.
9. The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising dynamically configuring the user interface to display icons as primary icons within the fixed portion or secondary icons within the movable portion based on a frequency of selection of the icons.
10. A mobile communication device comprising:
  - a display device operable to display information, the display device including a touch screen operable to receive touch input;
  - a memory operable to store a module; and
  - a processing system operable to execute the module to implement a user interface for display by the display device, the user interface including a main menu having a fixed portion and a movable portion, the fixed portion including primary icons associated with primary functions of the mobile communication device and the movable portion including secondary icons associated with secondary functions of the mobile communication device, wherein the secondary icons are configured to scroll within the movable portion upon receipt of an input via the touch screen while the primary icons within the fixed portion remain stationary with respect to the display device.
11. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 10, further comprising an orientation sensor operable to determine an orientation of the mobile communication device, the user interface configured to be displayed in one of a portrait mode and a landscape mode in response to the determined orientation.
12. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 11, wherein the movable portion is positioned to a side of the fixed portion with respect to the display device when the user interface is displayed in the portrait mode, the secondary icons being aligned vertically and scrolling in a vertical direction with respect to the display device.
13. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 11, wherein the movable portion is positioned below the fixed portion with respect to the display device when the user interface is displayed in the landscape mode, the secondary icons being aligned horizontally and scrolling in a horizontal direction with respect to the display device.
14. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 11, wherein the primary icons are displayed in a vertical arrangement within the fixed portion with respect to the display device when the user interface is displayed in the portrait mode, the primary icons remaining fixed with respect to the display device during scrolling of the secondary icons.
15. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 11, wherein the primary icons are displayed in a horizontal arrangement within the fixed portion with respect to the display device when the user interface is displayed in the landscape mode, the primary icons remaining fixed with respect to the display device during scrolling of the secondary icons.
16. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 10, wherein the input comprises a flick gesture input, and wherein the secondary icons continue scrolling for a duration of time after receipt of the flick gesture input.
17. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 10, further comprising a location determining component operable to receive satellite navigation signals and determine a current position of the mobile communication device using the received satellite navigation signals, wherein the primary icons comprise a navigation icon associated with a navigation function utilizing the current position.
18. The mobile communication device as recited in claim 10, wherein the module is configured to dynamically configure the user interface to display icons as primary icons within the fixed portion or secondary icons within the movable portion based on a frequency of selection of the icons.

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