

vided so that the LED lamps are always turned on during a period from power-on of the gaming machine till power-off thereof. Here, turning on includes blinking mode that the LED lamps are intermittently blinked with a very short time interval. Thus, since the LED lamps are always turned on, light emitted from the LED lamps always illuminates each symbol display area even if abnormality occurs in the mentioned LED drive circuit. Thereby, the player can always see the symbols arranged on each of the reels through the each symbol display areas, thus the above turning on control is preferable.

[0106] Further, turning on control of the above mentioned fluorescent lamps may be done by another display control means. In this case, for example, in the turning on control of the fluorescent lamps, electric power may be provided so that the fluorescent lamps are always turned on during a period from power-on of the gaming machine till power-off thereof. Thereby, similar to the above, light emitted from the fluorescent lamps always illuminates each symbol display area even if abnormality occurs in the mentioned LED drive circuit. Thereby, the player can always see and recognize the symbols arranged on each of the reels through the each symbol display areas.

[0107] Further, in the embodiment, though the above mentioned sub-CPU conducts display control of a plurality of the ornamental lamps arranged in the cabinet, sound output control and image display control of the liquid crystal display device, the present invention is not limited to this. Another sub-CPU separate from the above sub-CPU may conduct the above various controls. For example, in a case that another sub-CPU separate from the above sub-CPU conducts the control of a plurality of the ornamental lamps arranged in the cabinet and, for example, in a case that abnormality occurs in the display control, it is enough to exchange only the sub-CPU with abnormality occurrence or only the circuit construction including the sub-CPU with abnormality occurrence to the normal sub-CPU or circuit construction having the normal sub-CPU. Therefore, time and labor for removing the cause of the abnormality occurrence can be omitted and such construction is very preferable. And in a case that another sub-CPU other than the above sub-CPU conducts sound output control or image display control, or for example, in a case that abnormality occurs in the sound output control or the image display control, it is enough to exchange only the sub-CPU with abnormality occurrence or only circuit construction including the sub-CPU with abnormality occurrence.

[0108] Further, the liquid crystal display device described in the embodiment may have image enlarging means for enlarging the input images by a predetermined magnification. For example, the image enlarging means may convert the image data for 640×480 dots into the image data for 1024×768 dots and output the converted image data to the display part (above mentioned terminal part). Thereby, it can use the image data for small display area, the data quantity thereof being less in comparison with that for the factual display area. As a result, memory quantity of the ROM and image data forming time can be reduced.

[0109] And in the embodiment, though the symbol display area is divided corresponding to each of three reels 3L, 3C, 3R, the present invention is not limited to this and the symbol display area may be formed so as not to be divided.

For example, it may be conceivable that two or three of the reels 3L, 3C, 3R can be seen and recognized through one symbol display area. And if the first display means and the third display means are arranged at the rear face or side of the second display means, it may be constructed that the player sees and recognizes through one symbol display area a part or whole of the first display means and a part or whole of the third display means. When the reflection means is produced, there may be a case that the reflection means can be easily produced in comparison with a case that a plurality of transparent portions are formed dividedly.

[0110] In the embodiment, though the symbol display portions are formed every reel which displays a plurality of symbols while rotating, the present invention is not limited to this. For example, one symbol display area may be formed in the second display means corresponding to one or plural or all of plural reels (plural variable display parts) each of which displays a plurality of symbols while rotating. Entire area of the second display means may construct the symbol display area. The size thereof may be changed.

[0111] It is enough that the symbol display area can display the symbol of the first display means, and may be constructed from only member capable of displaying symbols (transparent glass or transparent resin) in which liquid crystal is not provided in the symbol display area.

[0112] The first display means or the third display means may be constructed so as to be able to move in directions of up and down, right and left, before and behind, reciprocally move, inducibly vibrate or rotate. In this case, the symbol display part may be constructed so as to move according to the movement of the first display means or the third display means. Based on these operations, it can expect more interesting effect and there may be a case that such operations are applicable for concerning with game contents.

[0113] The gaming machine may have power abnormality observation means for observing abnormality of power source and the game control means may judge that power should be cut off based on power abnormal signal from the power abnormality observation means.

[0114] The backup notifying means may notify that the backup restoration means is conducting the above treatment, that such treatment is completed or the information concerning with operational completion by the backup restoration means. In this case, the information concerning with operational completion of the backup restoration means corresponds to the demonstration notification for collecting players, and when the information normally stored or stored by the backup means is broken, it is preferable that the gaming machine is constructed to immediately notify the demonstration information for collecting players and to notify that the gaming machine lies in the state that games by the player can be immediately started.

[0115] The gaming machine may be constructed so that backup restoration notification is continuously done during a plurality of unit games, after power is restored. Thereby, the player can recognize that power cut off recently occurred and can prepare for the case that power is again cut off. Thus, necessary information can be notified to the player. And it can be notified the information concerning with the number of unit games after power is restored. Thereby, there is a case that the player can roughly guess the time since power is restored.