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(54) **Electrical connector with two-piece shield**

(57) An electrical connector is provided which has first and second shields which fit over an insulative housing. Each of the two shields is generally U-shaped, having a central panel and a pair of opposed side panels. The two shields fit over the housing so that the two mating panels overlap. The side panels of the two shields are disposed against four respective sides of the housing, providing substantial shielding of the connector. Each of the side panels includes a mounting foot which extends from a bottom edge for mounting the connector to a circuit board. Each of the U-shaped shields may be formed from a generally strip-shaped blank, enabling an efficient use of materials with little waste.

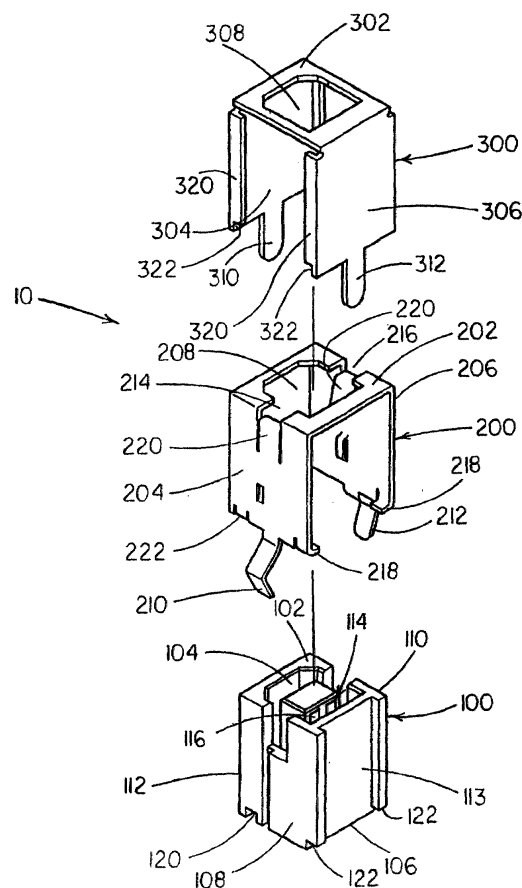


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