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(e.g., number "1a"	
and shorthand label	
"a device")	
1a	1. A USB multi-host device comprising:
a device	
1b	first and second upstream ports configured to couple to
ports	corresponding first and second hosts;
1c	a USB function block; and
a function	
1d	a multi-host device controller coupling the USB function
a controller	block to the first and second upstream ports,
1e	wherein the multi-host device controller is configured to
concurrence	establish concurrent respective USB connections between
	the USB function block and the first and second upstream
	ports, to allow the corresponding first and second hosts to:
1f	simultaneously enumerate and configure the USB multi-
simultaneous	host device;
enumeration	
1g	simultaneously access the USB multi-host device; and
simultaneous access	
1h	alternately access the USB function block without
alternating access	reconfiguring and/or re-enumerating the USB multi-host
	device before each access.
2	2. The USB multi-host device of claim 1, further
buffering	comprising a first endpoint buffer coupled between the first
	upstream port and the multi-host device controller, and a
	second endpoint buffer coupled between the second
	upstream port and the multi-host device controller.
3a	3. A USB multi-host device comprising:
a device	
3b	a USB function block; and
a function	



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3c	a multi-host device controller coupling the USB function
a controller	block to a first host and a second host, wherein the multi-
	host device controller is configured to establish a first USB
	connection between the first host and the USB function
	block and a second USB connection between the second
	host and the USB function block,
3d	wherein the first USB connection and the second USB
concurrence	connection are concurrent, to allow the first host and the
	second host to:
3e	simultaneously access the USB multi-host device; and
simultaneous access	•
3f	alternately access the USB function block, without either
alternating access	one of the first and second hosts reconfiguring the USB
	multi-host device each time a different one of the first host
	and the second host is given access to the USB function
	block.
4	4. The USB multi-host device of claim 3, wherein the
keeping enumeration	multi-host USB device is not re-enumerated by either the
Reeping enumeration	first host or the second host each time the first host and the
	second host alternate accessing the USB function block.
5	5. The USB multi-host device of claim 3, further
ports	comprising a first upstream port coupled between the first
ports	host and the multi-host device controller, and a second
	upstream port coupled between the second host and the
	multi-host device controller.
6	6. The USB multi-host device of claim 5, further
	comprising a first endpoint buffer coupled between first
buffering	
	upstream port and the multi-host device controller, and a
	second endpoint buffer coupled between the second
70	upstream port and the multi-host device controller.
7a	7. A USB device comprising:
a device	a LICD for ation blocks and
7b	a USB function block; and
a function	1.1 . 1
7c	a multi-host device controller configured to couple the USB
a controller	function block to a plurality of hosts, wherein the multi-
	host device controller is operable to establish concurrent
	respective USB connections between the USB function
	block and the plurality of hosts,



to allow the plurality of hosts to: simultaneously enumerate and configure the USB device; simultaneous access 7e simultaneous access 7e alternately access the USB function block, without any of alternating access the USB function block, without any of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time a different one of the plurality of hosts is given access to the USB function block. 8a		
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alternating access the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time a different one of the plurality of hosts is given access to the USB function block. 8a	simultaneous access	
alternating access the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time a different one of the plurality of hosts is given access to the USB function block. 8a	7e	alternately access the USB function block, without any of
time a different one of the plurality of hosts is given access to the USB function block. 8	alternating access	1
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device controller is operable to simultaneously receive respective host requests from the plurality of hosts, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to internally determine which of the respective host requests to service immediately. 9		_ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
device controller is operable to simultaneously receive respective host requests from the plurality of hosts, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to internally determine which of the respective host requests to service immediately. 9	8a	8. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host
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internally determine which of the respective host requests to service immediately. 9. The USB device of claim 8, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to interleave the respective host requests. 10. The USB device of claim 8, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to send not-ready packets in a USB specific manner to hosts whose request was not immediately serviced. 11a. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller comprises an internal arbitration mechanism configured to permit the plurality of hosts to simultaneously request access to the USB function block by interleaving host access requests and/or 11b. by using a common request/grant structure; wherein the request ordering common request/grant structure comprises one of the plurality of hosts being granted access to the USB function block while remaining ones of the plurality of hosts are not considered for access to the USB function block until the one of the plurality of hosts has completed accessing the USB function block. 12 The USB device of claim 11, wherein the arbitration mechanism is configured according to a specific USB device type device type comprised in the USB function block.	8b	
to service immediately. 9. The USB device of claim 8, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to interleave the respective host requests. 10. The USB device of claim 8, wherein the multi-host device controller is operable to send not-ready packets in a USB specific manner to hosts whose request was not immediately serviced. 11a. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller comprises an internal arbitration mechanism configured to permit the plurality of hosts to simultaneously request access to the USB function block by interleaving host access requests and/or 11c. by using a common request/grant structure; wherein the common request/grant structure comprises one of the plurality of hosts being granted access to the USB function block while remaining ones of the plurality of hosts are not considered for access to the USB function block until the one of the plurality of hosts has completed accessing the USB function block. 12		_
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device type device type comprised in the USB function block.	12	12. The USB device of claim 11, wherein the arbitration
	configuration by	mechanism is configured according to a specific USB
13. The USB device of claim 7, wherein a bandwidth from	device type	device type comprised in the USB function block.
	13	13. The USB device of claim 7, wherein a bandwidth from



the USB function block to each respective one of the plurality of hosts is reduced to allow each respective one of the plurality of hosts equal access to the USB function block. 14 The USB device of claim 13, wherein the bandwidth is not reduced if it exceeds a bandwidth of the respective one of the plurality of hosts. 15 15. The USB device of claim 7, further comprising a respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16 16 The USB device of claim 15, further comprising a respective buffer coupled between each respective upstream port and the multi-host device controller. 17a 17. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller is configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configurated to maintain respective dedicated address, configurated to maintain respective enumeration 18a 18. A method for sharing a USB device between multiple hosts, the method comprising. 18b establishing concurrent respective USB connections between a plurality of hosts and a shared USB function comprised in the USB device; 18c two or more of the multiple hosts simultaneously enumerating and configuring the USB device; 18d receiving respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e processing the respective access requests to the stared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function is accessed in response to a respective access request from a different one of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19 The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access request for hosts.		
the plurality of hosts equal access to the USB function block. 14	reducing	the USB function block to each respective one of the
block. 14. The USB device of claim 13, wherein the bandwidth is not reduced if it exceeds a bandwidth of the respective one of the plurality of hosts. 15. The USB device of claim 7, further comprising a respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16. 16. The USB device of claim 15, further comprising a respective buffer coupled between each respective upstream port and the multi-host device controller. 17a. 17. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller is configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configuration, and response information for each of the plurality of hosts. 18a. 18. A method for sharing a USB device between multiple hosts, the method comprising: 18b. establishing concurrent respective USB connections between a plurality of hosts and a shared USB function comprised in the USB device; 18c. two or more of the multiple hosts simultaneously enumeration 18d. receiving respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e. processing the respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e. processing the respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e. processing the respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function is accessed in response to a respective access request from a different one of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19 19 The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access	bandwidth	
14. The USB device of claim 13, wherein the bandwidth is not reduced if it exceeds a bandwidth of the respective one of the plurality of hosts. 15. The USB device of claim 7, further comprising a respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16. The USB device of claim 15, further comprising a respective buffer coupled between each respective upstream port and the multi-host device controller. 17a. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller is configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configuration, and response information for each of the plurality of hosts. 18a. A method for sharing a USB device between multiple hosts, the method comprising: 18b. establishing concurrent respective USB connections between a plurality of hosts and a shared USB function comprised in the USB device; 18c two or more of the multiple hosts simultaneously enumeration 18d receiving respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e request processing 18f to allow the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function is accessed in response to a respective access request from a different one of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19 The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access		•
keeping bandwidth of the plurality of hosts. 15		
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15. The USB device of claim 7, further comprising a respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16. The USB device of claim 15, further comprising a respective buffer coupled between each respective upstream port and the multi-host device controller. 17a	1 0	not reduced if it exceeds a bandwidth of the respective one
respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16	bandwidth	
device controller and each of the plurality of hosts. 16	15	
16 buffering respective buffer coupled between each respective upstream port and the multi-host device controller. 17a 17. The USB device of claim 7, wherein the multi-host device controller is configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configuration, and response information for each of the plurality of hosts. 18a 18. A method for sharing a USB device between multiple hosts, the method comprising: 18b establishing concurrent respective USB connections between a plurality of hosts and a shared USB function comprised in the USB device; 18c two or more of the multiple hosts simultaneously enumeration enumerating and configuring the USB device; 18d receiving respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e processing the respective access requests, 18e to allow the two or more of the plurality of hosts to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function is accessed in response to a respective access request from a different one of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19 The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access	ports	respective upstream port coupled between the multi-host
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device controller is configured to maintain respective dedicated address, configuration, and response information for each of the plurality of hosts. 18a		upstream port and the multi-host device controller.
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for each of the plurality of hosts. 18a	keeping	device controller is configured to maintain respective
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receiving respective access requests to the shared USB function from the two or more of the plurality of hosts; and requests 18e processing the respective access requests, request processing 18f alternating access to alternately access the shared USB function without any of the two or more of the plurality of hosts reconfiguring the USB device each time the USB function is accessed in response to a respective access request from a different one of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19 19. The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access	18c	two or more of the multiple hosts simultaneously
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of the two or more of the plurality of hosts. 19		USB device each time the USB function is accessed in
19 19. The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access		response to a respective access request from a different one
19 19. The method of claim 18, wherein said processing comprises determining which of the respective access		of the two or more of the plurality of hosts.
request ordering comprises determining which of the respective access	19	
requests to service immediately, and servicing that	request ordering	comprises determining which of the respective access
		requests to service immediately, and servicing that



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	respective access request.
20	20. The method of claim 19, wherein said processing
request ordering	comprises holding off access to the shared USB function by
	those respective access requests that are not immediately
	serviced, until the shared USB function is no longer
	accessed by a given one of the two or more of the plurality
	of hosts from which the serviced respective access request
	was received.
21	21. The method of claim 18, wherein said processing
Interleaving	comprises interleaving accesses requested by the respective
	access requests to the shared USB function.
22	22. The method of claim 18, further comprising
keeping enumeration	maintaining respective dedicated address, configuration,
nooping enumeration	and response information for each of the plurality of hosts.
23a	23. A USB device comprising:
a device	23. It Cob device comprising.
23b	a shared USB function block; and
a function	a shared CSB function block, and
23c	a controller configured to establish concurrent respective
a controller	USB connections between the shared USB function block
a controller	and two or more USB hosts, to allow the two or more USB
	hosts to simultaneously configure the USB device for the
	shared USB function;
23d	wherein the controller is configured to receive and respond
simultaneous access	_
Simultaneous access	to simultaneous respective USB access requests sent by the
	two or more USB hosts for accessing the shared USB function.
24	
24	24. The USB device of claim 23, wherein in establishing
keeping enumeration	the concurrent respective USB connections between the
	shared USB function block and the two or more USB hosts,
	the controller is operable to maintain respective dedicated
	address, configuration and response information for each of
	the two or more USB hosts.
25a	25. The USB device of claim 23, wherein the controller
interface circuits	comprises: a respective USB interface circuit for each of
	the two or more USB hosts, wherein each respective USB
	interface circuit enables the USB device to transmit and/or
	receive data over a USB bus; and
25b	a respective endpoint buffer for each of the two or more



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