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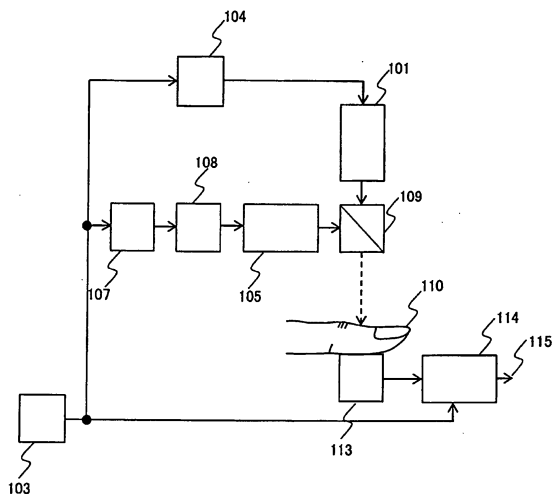
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(54) **Component concentration measuring device and method of controlling component concentration measuring device**

(57) An object of the present invention is to provide a noninvasive constituent concentration measuring apparatus and constituent concentration measuring apparatus controlling method, in which accurate measurement can be performed by superimposing two photoacoustic signals having the same frequency and reverse phases to nullify the effect from the other constituent occupying large part of the object to be measured. The constituent concentration measuring apparatus according to the invention includes light generating means for generating two light beams having different wavelengths, modulation means for electrically intensity-modulating each of the two light beams having different wavelengths using signals having the same frequency and reverse phases, light outgoing means for outputting the two intensity-modulated light beams having different wavelengths toward a test subject, and acoustic wave detection means for detecting an acoustic wave generated in the test subject by the outputted light.

Fig. 1



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摘要(译)

本发明的一个目的是提供一种无创成分浓度测量装置和成分浓度测量装置控制方法，其中可以通过叠加具有相同频率和反相的两个光声信号来执行精确测量，以抵消来自其他成分的影响。占据待测物体的大部分。根据本发明的成分浓度测量装置包括用于产生具有不同波长的两个光束的光产生装置，用于使用具有相同频率和反相的信号对具有不同波长的两个光束中的每一个进行电强度调制的调制装置，光输出用于向测试对象输出具有不同波长的两个强度调制光束的装置，以及用于通过输出光检测在测试对象中产生的声波的声波检测装置。

Fig. 1

