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Performance Investigation of WIPO, USPTO and Patent Lens Patent Databases for Prior Art Search

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Abstract: Patentability assessment is done to check for patent grant which is evaluated using prior art search. .Patent Search is classified into simple, advanced search. Comparison of patent search databases like WIPO,USPTO and Patent Lens is done to check which database retrieves the keywords gives accurate result..
Keywords: **WIPO, USPTO, Patent Lens**.

I. INTRODUCTION

IPR(Intellectual Property Rights) are the rights awarded by the society to individuals or organization over the creations of innovative work. They generally specify a time period during which others do not copy the innovations, Idea allowing him or her to commercialize it and recover any investment on research and development. Pior to TRIPS(Trade Related Intellectual property rights)Agreement, there are number of international treaties and conventions covering Intellectual Property Rights. the conventions covering geographical indications are Paris convention and Madrid Agreement(1891)and Lisbon agreement(1958) these treaties however failed to exert much influence and could not become competent. Berne convention for protection of literary and artistic works as one of oldest international treaties in copyright i.e rights of authors in literary and artistic works. Hague agreement covers the protection of industrial designs. Rome conventions defined as the standards of protection of related rights enacted to protect artistic and broadcasting organization.. Patent co-operation treaty is to bring about the effectiveness and economy by simplying patent process ..International convention for protection of new varieties of plants was covered in 1991.New varieties require time money and effort. Trademark law treaty(1994)simplifies and harmonises administrative procedures with respect to national application and protection has endowed with intellectual created by beneficial faculty and same has been effectively utilized thereby improving the standard of living right from the stone age .It is a property which has been created by exercise of intellectual faculty. India has a long credible protection of IPR to a system of well developed substantiated laws and establishment of legal ,administrative infrastructure for IPR enforcement. The importance of patent system for innovative research and development which inturn causes the industrial development of a country. The progress and prosperity of a nation depend on level of scientific, industry and technological development. The inventors, research workers, entrepreneurs have to be encouraged, ,inspired, accelerate the research work, Research and Developmental activities by providing incentives and the rewards for their valuable work for the progress of the country. In the absence of any other bulletin system granting patterns for new inventors have to be accepted all over the world.

II. DSCRIPTION

A. Patent search

Patent Search is to determine the novelty, Inventiveness and industrial utility of the research disclosure. This search needs to be done rigorously in patent and non patent literature to find out if any prior art overlap exists or not.If prior art exists, then its non patentable else its patentable Steps to conduct a patent search. Summarize the invention in 100 words covering the novel key aspects alone. Frame the key aspects from the keywords. Perform an iterative combination of Key words such that the combination of novel key aspects is not present in any one patent or non patent document,

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C. Uspto

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D. Patent Lens

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II. N UMERICAL RESULTS

A. Case study:1

*1) Invention title:*Novel ultrasonic technique for the distributed temperature measurements with different configurations.

2) Keywords: Ultrasonic, waveguide, multiple, distributed, plural, plurality, sensors, configuration, dimension, shape, transmission, reflection, geometry, material, wave modes.

a) Database : WIPO

b) Keywords used: Ultrasonic waveguide, plural, plurality , one more transducers, distribute, displacement

c) Iteration1

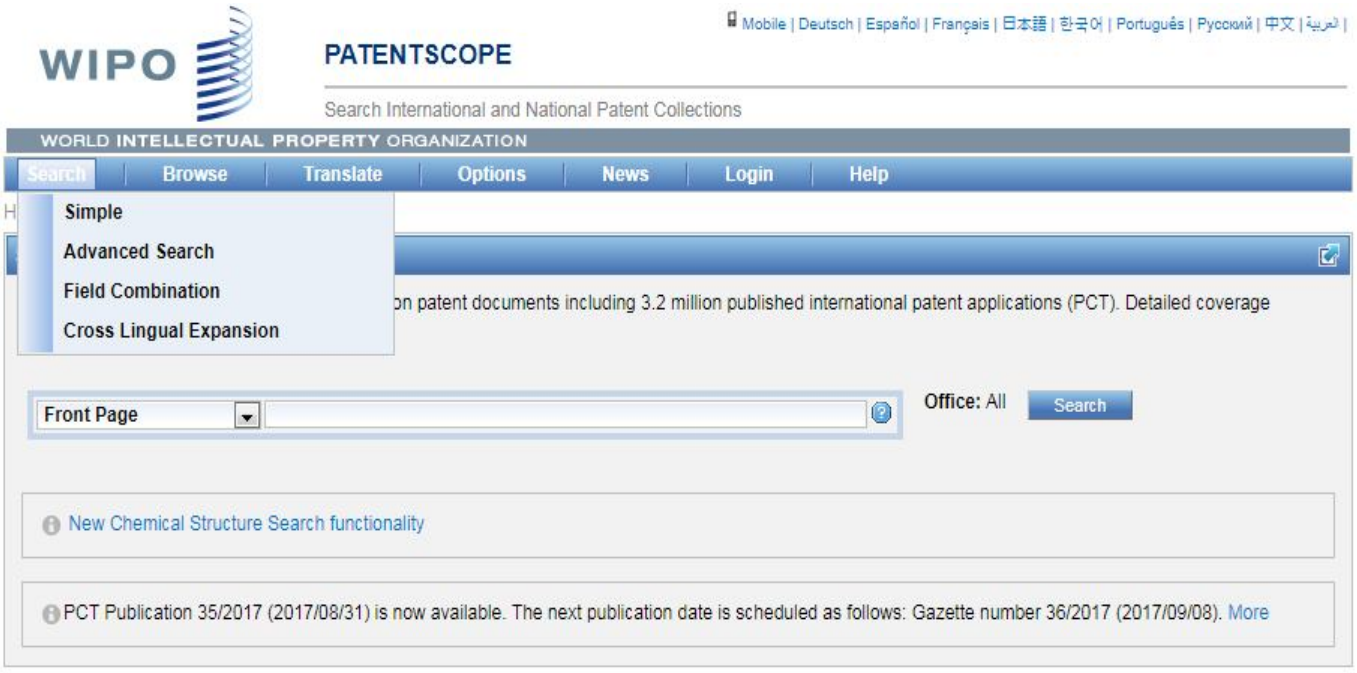


Fig1: Shows the general search windoe of WIPO- Patent scope

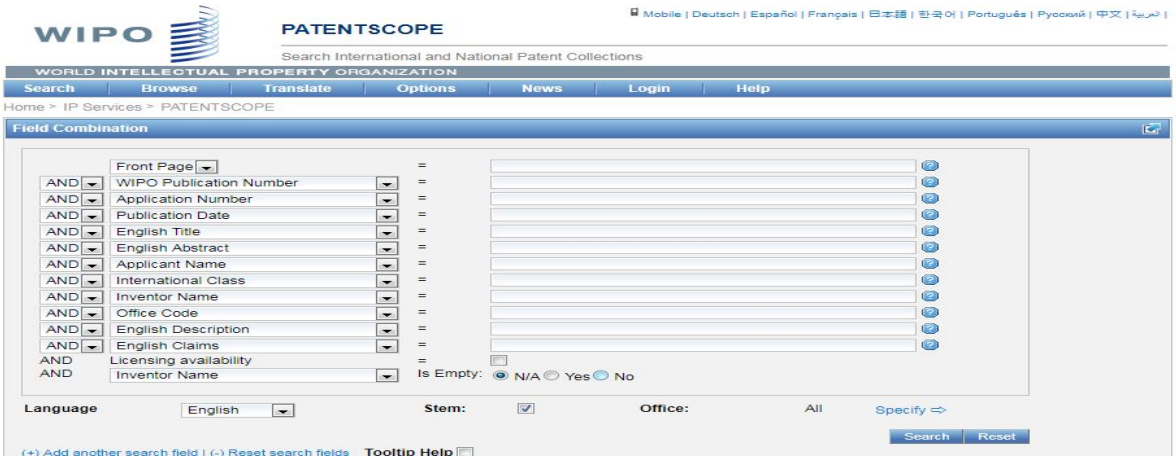


Fig2: Shows the different options of search about patents

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Fig3: Shows the filtered options for search about patents

d) Keywords used: Ultrasonic, waveguide, distribute , senso

e) Output: No result

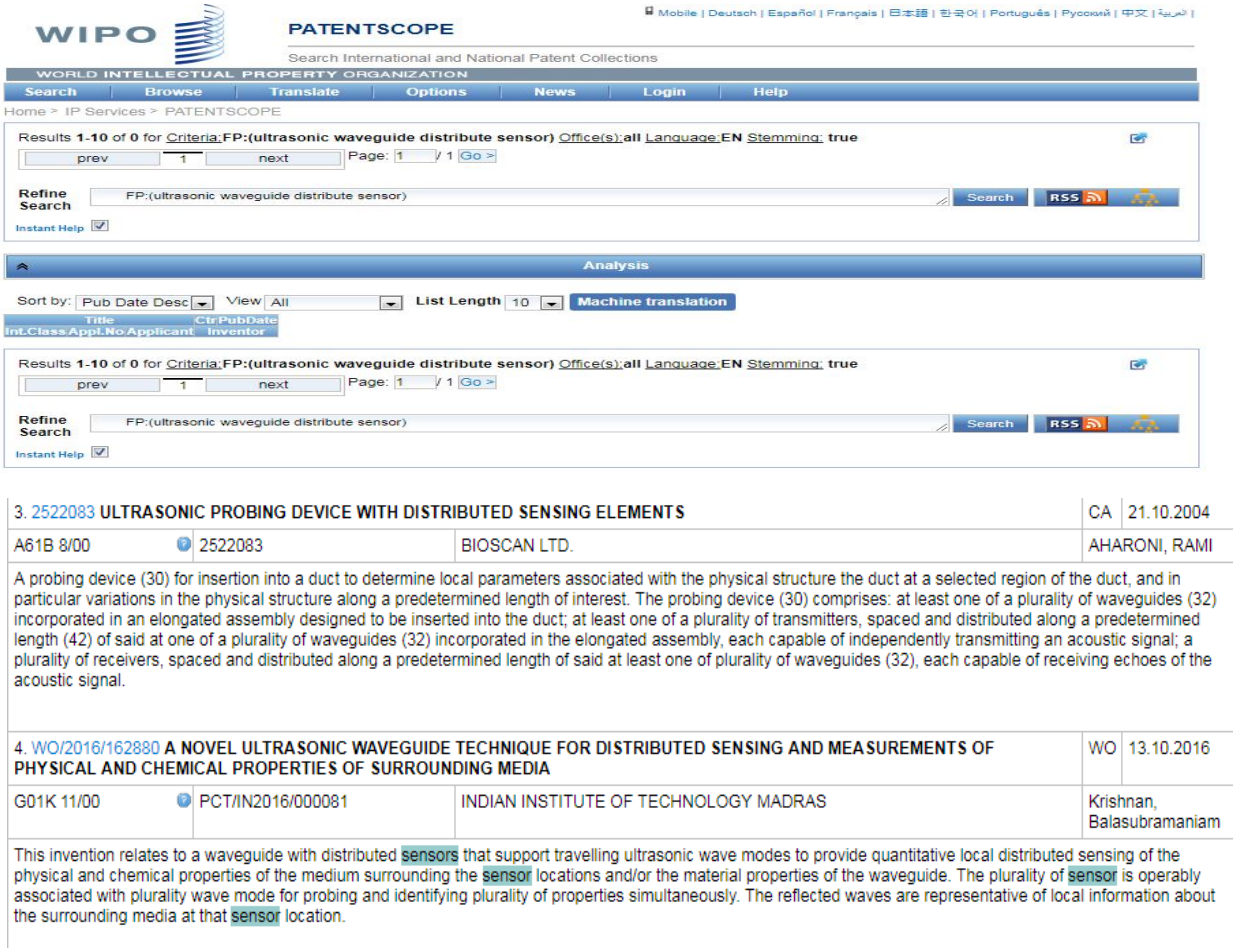


Fig4: Shows the prior art output reference of the novel keywords prescribed in the invention disclosure

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III. DATABASE : USPTO

A. Keywords used: Ultrasonic waveguide, plural, plurality , one more transducers, distribute, displacement

B. Iteration1



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Kind Code	A1
Aharoni; Rami ; et al.	May 31, 2007

Ultrasonic probing device with distributed sensing elements

Abstract

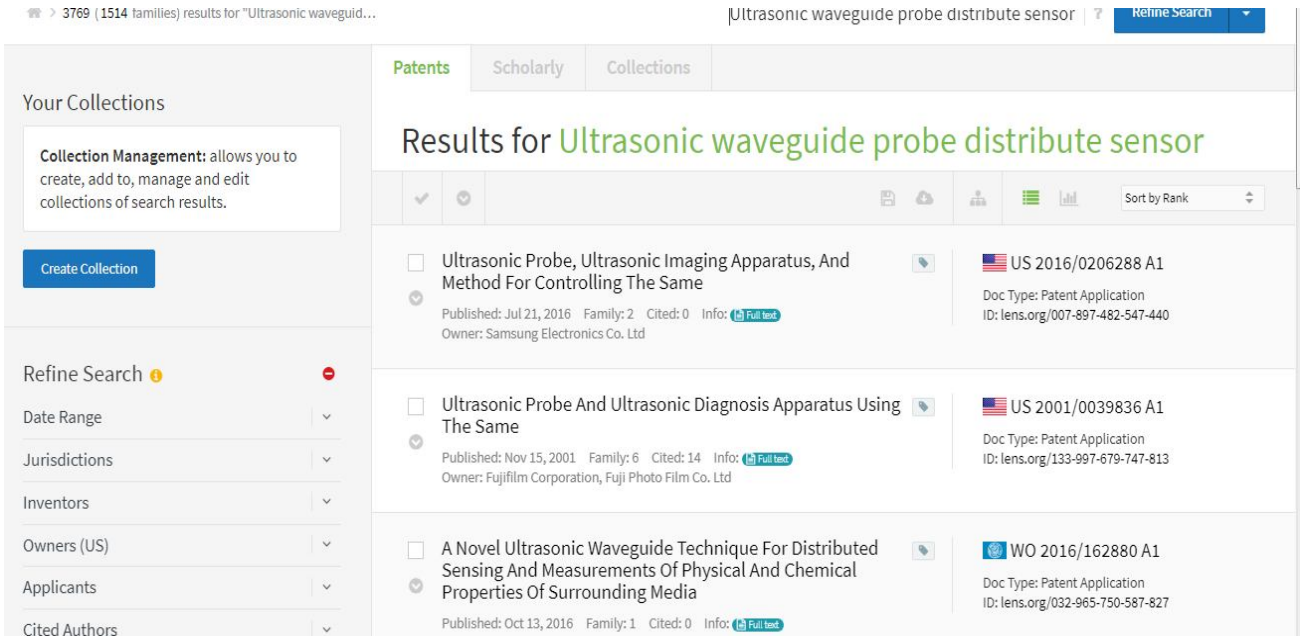
A probing device for insertion into a duct to determine local parameters associated with the physical structure the duct at a selected region of the duct, and in particular variations in the physical structure along a predetermined length of interest. The probing device comprises: at least one of a plurality of waveguides incorporated in an elongated assembly designed to be inserted into the duct; at least one of a plurality of transmitters, spaced and distributed along a predetermined length of said at one of a plurality of waveguides incorporated in the elongated assembly, each capable of independently transmitting an acoustic signal of predetermined characteristics; a plurality of waveguides incorporated in the elongated assembly, each capable of receiving echoes of the acoustic signal, reflected off the structure of the duct; whe when each of said at least one of a plurality of transmitters generates an acoustic signal, echoes of the signal received by the plurality of receivers and received data associated with the echoes is processed by a processing unit to determine parameters of the physical structure at the region.

Fig5: Shows the prior art output reference from USPTO of the novel keywords prescribed in the invention disclosure .

IV. DATABASE : PATENT LENS

A. Keywords used: Ultrasonic waveguide, plural, plurality , one more transducers, distribute, displacement

B. Iteration1:



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Fig5: Shows the prior art output reference from Patent Lens of the novel keywords prescribed in the invention disclosure

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Table1: Comparison of WIPO,USPTO and Patent Lens databases for prior art search

SL.NO	PARAMTERS	WIPO (World Intellectual Property organisation-Patentscope)	USPTO (United states patent treaty organization)	Patent lens
1	Keyword strategy	complex	Complex	easier
2	Operators	Boolean Logic, Field combination, Advanced search	Boolean Logic	Boolean Logic
3	Iterations	Less required	Less no. of iterations required	More
4	Prior art references	More	More	Less
5	Compatibility	Claims, description,abstract, drawings,reference, PCT status, ISR	Claims, description, abstract,mosiacs, PCT status, ISR	No
6	In-built tools	Patent scope	USPTO	No
7	Update of patent applications	Published, Pending, Grant from patent office are indexed to higher extent in WIPO	Published, Pending, Grant from patent office are indexed to higher extent in Espacenet.	Published, Pending, Grant from patent office are indexed to Lesser extent in Espacenet.

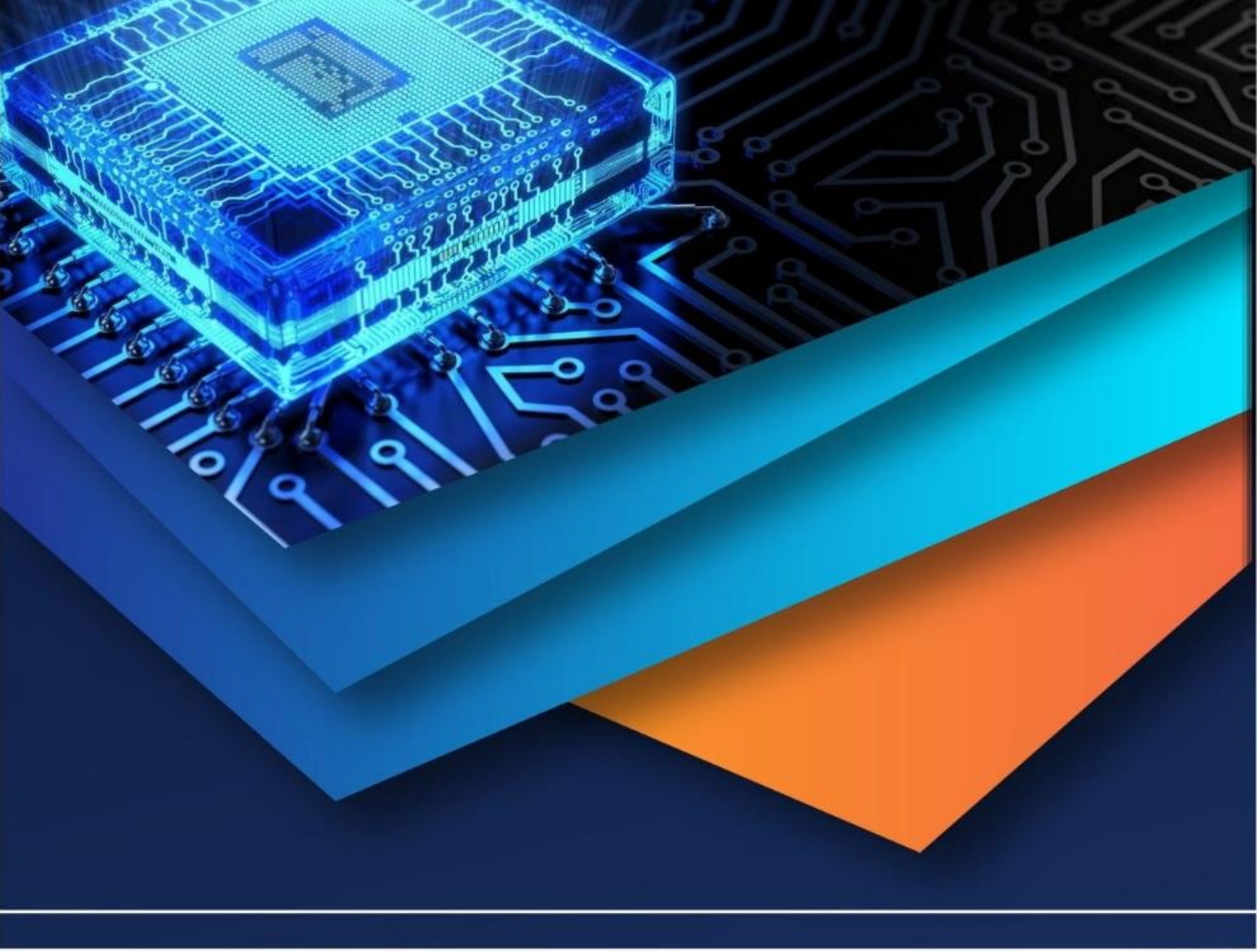
VII. CONCLUSIONS

From the above results, it clearly shows that WIPO and USPTO optimizes the iterations and gives instant prior art result , ISR, ISA, legal status, patent updation, fees status, assignment change etc. whereas Patent Lens database provides only the prior art result and competitive intelligence analytics called as the marketing intelligence. Hence WIPO and USPTO are a better database than Patent Lens.

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