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ELECTRONIC DEVICE FOR DETECTING OPTICAL SIGNAL

Abstract

An electronic device for detecting an optical signal is provided. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal includes an optical sensor and a light-emitting element. The light-emitting element is disposed adjacent to the optical sensor. The optical sensor is configured to detect the optical signal. The light-emitting element has a first brightness during a non-detection period of the electronic device. The light-emitting element is dimmed and has a second brightness during a detection period of the electronic device. The optical sensor is configured to output a signal when the light-emitting element is dimmed. The first brightness is greater than the second brightness.

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Background/Summary

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS [0001] This application is a Continuation of application Ser. No. 18/330,605, filed on Jun. 7, 2023, which is a Divisional of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 17/210,914, filed Mar. 24, 2021, which claims priority of China Patent Application No. 202010284110.0, filed on Apr. 13, 2020, the entirety of which is incorporated by reference herein.

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Field of the Disclosure

[0002] The present disclosure relates to an electronic device, and in particular it relates to an electronic device for detecting an optical signal.

DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART

[0003] A conventional electronic device may sense light generated by a laser pen, or the reflected light generated by a finger touching an electronic device through an optical sensor, in order to determine the position of the laser pen or the finger on the electronic device. However, since the proper operation of the optical sensor may be affected by ambient light or light with a corresponding brightness that is generated by the light-emitting element of the electronic device, the accuracy of sensing the optical signal may be decreased. Therefore, a new driving design is needed to solve the above problem.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0004] An embodiment of the disclosure provides an electronic device for detecting an optical signal. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal includes an optical sensor and a light-emitting element. The light-emitting element is disposed adjacent to the optical sensor. The optical sensor is configured to detect the optical signal. The light-emitting element has a first brightness during a non-detection period of the electronic device. The light-emitting element is dimmed and has a second brightness during a detection period of the electronic device. The optical sensor is configured to output a signal when the light-emitting element is dimmed. The first brightness is greater than the second brightness.

Description

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0005] The disclosure can be fully understood by reading the subsequent detailed description and examples with references made to the accompanying drawings, wherein:

[0006] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an electronic device according to an embodiment of the disclosure;

[0007] FIG. 2 is an operation timing diagram of an optical sensor and light-emitting elements of an electronic device according to an embodiment of the disclosure;

[0008] FIG. 3 is an operation timing diagram of an optical sensor and light-emitting elements of an electronic device according to an embodiment of the disclosure;

[0009] FIG. 4 is a schematic view of an electronic device according to another embodiment of the disclosure;

[0010] FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the electronic device in FIG. 4 taken along a line A-A';

[0011] FIG. 6 is a partial cross-sectional view of the electronic device in FIG. 4 taken along line A-A';

[0012] FIG. 7 is a stereogram of the electronic device in FIG. 4 along line A-A';

[0013] FIG. 8 is a flowchart of an operation method of an electronic device for sensing an optical signal according to an embodiment of the disclosure; and

[0014] FIG. 9 is a flowchart of an operation method of an electronic device for sensing an optical signal according to an embodiment of the disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0015] In order to make objects, features and advantages of the disclosure more obvious and easily understood, the embodiments are described below, and the detailed description is made in conjunction with the drawings. In order to help the reader to understand the drawings, the multiple drawings in the disclosure may merely depict a part of the entire device, and the specific components in the drawing are not drawn to scale.

[0016] The specification of the disclosure provides various embodiments to illustrate the technical features of the various embodiments of the disclosure. The configuration, quantity, and size of each component in the embodiments are for illustrative purposes only, and are not intended to limit the disclosure. In addition, if the reference number of a component in the embodiments and the drawings appears repeatedly, it is for the purpose of simplifying the description, and does not mean to imply a relationship between different embodiments.

[0017] Furthermore, use of ordinal terms such as “first”, “second”, etc., in the specification and the claims to describe a claim element does not by itself connote and represent the claim element having any previous ordinal term, and does not represent the order of one claim element over another or the order of the manufacturing method, either. The ordinal terms are used merely as labels to distinguish one claim element having a certain name from another element having the same name.

[0018] In the disclosure, the technical features of the various embodiments may be replaced or combined with each other to complete other embodiments without being mutually exclusive.

[0019] FIG. 1 is a schematic view of an electronic device according to an embodiment of the disclosure. In some embodiments, the electronic device **100** may include a liquid crystal (LC), an organic light-emitting diode (OLED), a light-emitting diode (LED), a quantum dot (QD), a fluorescence, a phosphor, other suitable materials, or a combination thereof, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. The light-emitting diode may include, for example, a mini light-emitting diode (mini LED), a micro light-emitting diode (micro LED), a quantum dot light-emitting diode (QLED/QDLED). In some embodiments, the electronic device **100** may be a display device, an antenna device, a sensing device, a touch display, a curved display or a free shape display, and may also be a bendable or flexible spliced display device, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. The antenna device may be, for example, a liquid crystal antenna, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. It should be noted that the electronic device may be any combination of the foregoing, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. Furthermore, the appearance of the electronic device may be rectangular, circular, polygonal, a shape with curved edges, or other suitable shapes. The electronic device may include peripheral systems, such as a driving system, a control system, a light source system, a shelf system, etc., to support the display device or the antenna device.

[0020] Please refer to FIG. 1. The electronic device **100** may include a plurality of optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** and a plurality of light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL**, wherein M, N, K and L are positive integers greater than 1. In the embodiment, K and L are greater than M and N, i.e., a

number of light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** is greater than a number of optical sensors **110_11~110_MN**. In some embodiments, M and N may be the same or different, and K and L may be the same or different. In the embodiment, the optical sensor **110_11~110_MN** may be made of thin film transistors (TFTs) or other sensors, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. In addition, the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** are used to sense the optical signal generated by the light source device (not shown). The above light source device is, for example, a laser light pen or an infrared light pen, but the disclosure is not limited thereto.

[0021] The light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** may be disposed adjacent to the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN**. For example, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** may be disposed adjacent to the optical sensor **110_11**. That is, for example, there are no other light-emitting elements or optical sensors between the light-emitting element **120_11** and the optical sensor **110_11**, and there are no other light-emitting elements or optical sensors between the light-emitting element **120_12** and the optical sensor **110_11**. The light-emitting element **120_13**, the light-emitting element **120_14**, the light-emitting element **120_23** and the light-emitting element **120_24** may be disposed adjacent to the optical sensor **110_12**. The light-emitting element **120_1L-1**, the light-emitting element **120_1L**, the light-emitting element **120_2L-1** and the light-emitting element **120_2L** may be disposed adjacent to the optical sensor **110_1N**. The manner in which the remaining light-emitting elements and the remaining optical sensors are disposed adjacent to each other may be deduced by analogy from the description of the above embodiment.

[0022] In the embodiment, the light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** may be the organic light-emitting diode, the light-emitting diode (LED), such as the mini light-emitting diode, the micro light-emitting diode, the quantum dot light-emitting diode, etc., but the disclosure is not limited thereto. In addition, the light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** may be a light-emitting die or a package form including the light-emitting die. Furthermore, the light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** may generate lights of a single color, such as a white light, or lights of multiple colors, such as a red light, a green light, a blue light, but the disclosure is not limited thereto.

[0023] In the embodiment, the user may operate the light source device to generate the optical signal to the electronic device **100**. That is, the optical signal is provided to a first optical sensor of the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** of the electronic device **100**, such as the optical sensor **110_11**. Then, when the light-emitting elements (such as the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22**) adjacent to the optical sensor **110_1** are dimmed, the optical sensor **110_1** outputs a driving signal, allowing the electronic device **100** to determine the position of the optical signal. In the embodiment, the light-emitting element is dimmed to decrease the gray level of the light-emitting element, for example, to 50% or less of the original gray level. Furthermore, the gray level of the light-emitting element may be decreased to zero, for example, when the light-emitting element is turned off and does not generate an optical signal.

[0024] In some embodiments, the electronic device **100** may further include a plurality of detection periods. The detection periods are periods during which the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** detect and are detected by a processing device (not shown) in the electronic device **100** in order to generate corresponding driving signals. At the same time, the light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** adjacent to the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** may be dimmed during the corresponding detection periods. For example, when the optical sensor **110_11** detects during the detection period, at least one or all of the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** may be dimmed during the corresponding detection period. When the optical sensor **110_12** detects during the detection period, at least one or all of the light-emitting element **120_13**, the light-emitting element **120_14**, the light-emitting element **120_23** and the light-emitting element **120_24** may be dimmed during the corresponding detection period. The operation of the remaining light-emitting elements

and the remaining optical sensors may be deduced by analogy from the description of the above embodiment.

[0025] In some embodiments, the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** may detect in order, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. For example, the detective order may be the optical sensor **110_11**, the optical sensor **110_12**, the optical sensor **110_13**, In addition, the detective order may also be the optical sensors **110_11~110_1N**, the optical sensors **110_21~110_2N**, the optical sensors **110_31~110_3N**, . . .

[0026] In some embodiments, the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** may detect in a skipingly order, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. For example, the detective order may be the optical sensor **110_11**, the optical sensor **110_13**, the optical sensor **110_15**, In addition, the detective order may also be the optical sensors **110_11~110_1N**, the optical sensors **110_31~110_3N**, the optical sensors **110_51~110_5N**,

[0027] In some embodiments, the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** may detect in an irregular order, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. For example, the detective order may be the optical sensor **110_11**, the optical sensor **110_23** (not marked), the optical sensor **110_41** (not marked), In addition, the detective order may also be the optical sensors **110_11~110_1N**, the optical sensors **110_51~110_5N** (not marked), the optical sensors **110_21~110_2N** (not marked).

[0028] In some embodiments, all of the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** may detect during a detection period, and generate the corresponding driving signals. At the same time, all of the light-emitting elements **120_11~120_KL** are dimmed during the detection period. Therefore, the possibility that the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN** will mistakenly determine that the light emitted by the adjacent light-emitting elements **110_11~110_MN** is the optical signal generated by the light source device may be effectively decreased, effectively increasing the detection accuracy of the optical sensors **110_11~110_MN**.

[0029] FIG. 2 is an operation timing diagram of an optical sensor and light-emitting elements of an electronic device according to an embodiment of the disclosure. For the convenience of description, the electronic device **100** including the optical sensor **110_11**, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** is taken as an example. The electronic device **100** may include, for example, a frame period **F11**, a frame period **F12**, a frame period **F21** and a frame period **F22** during a display period. The frame period **F11** may include a light-emitting period **L11** and a non-light-emitting period **N11** of the light-emitting element **120_11** or the light-emitting element **120_12**. In an embodiment of the disclosure, the non-light-emitting period **N11** may include a blanking period. In other words, for example, before the frame period **F11** enters the frame period **F12**, the light-emitting element **120_11** or the light-emitting element **120_12** may not receive a gate signal generated by the electronic device **100** for a period, and this period that the gate signal is not received is called the blanking period. The frame period **F12** follows the frame period **F11**, and the frame period **F12** may include a light-emitting period **L12** and a non-light-emitting period **N12** of the light-emitting element **120_11** or the light-emitting element **120_12**. In an embodiment of the disclosure, the non-light-emitting period **N12** may include the blanking period.

[0030] The frame period **F21** follows the light-emitting period **L11** of the light-emitting element **120_11** or the light-emitting element **120_12**, and the frame period **F21** may include a light-emitting period **L21** and a non-light-emitting period **N21** of the light-emitting element **120_21** or the light-emitting element **120_22**. In an embodiment of the disclosure, the non-light-emitting period **N21** may include the blanking period. The frame period **F22** follows the frame period **F21**, and the frame period **F22** may include a light-emitting period **L22** and a non-light-emitting period **N22** of the light-emitting element **120_21** or the light-emitting element **120_22**. In an embodiment of the disclosure, the non-light-emitting period **N12** may include the blanking period.

[0031] During the light-emitting period **L11** of the frame period **F11**, the light-emitting element **120_11** and the light-emitting element **120_12** may be turned on and emit a light. Then, during the

light-emitting period L21 of the frame period F21, the light-emitting element 120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22 may be turned on and emit a light. At this time, the optical sensor 110_11 may sense the optical signals generated by the light-120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22 and generate a driving signal. However, during the frame period F11 and the frame period F21, the driving signal has not yet been detected by the processing device.

[0032] During the light-emitting period L12 of the frame period F12, the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12 are dimmed or turned off, i.e., the brightness of the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12 is decreased. For example, the brightness of the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12 is decreased to 50% or less of the original brightness (or the gray level value). Then, during the light-emitting period L22 of the frame period F22, the light-emitting element 120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22 are dimmed or turned off. In an overlap period of the light-emitting period L12 and the light-emitting period L22, i.e., a detection period T1, the optical sensor 110_11 may sense the optical signal generated by the light source device and generate the corresponding driving signal accordingly. The driving signal generated by the optical sensor 110_11 may be transmitted, for example, to the processing device of the electronic device 100, allowing the processing device to determine the position of the optical signal and perform the corresponding process.

[0033] In FIG. 2, the detection period T1 is between one-half of the light-emitting period L12 and one-half of the light-emitting period L22, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. In another embodiment, the detection period T1 may be between the starting position of the light-emitting period L12 and the ending position of the light-emitting period L22.

[0034] During the non-light-emitting period N12 of the frame period F12, i.e., the blanking period of the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12, the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12 do not emit the light. Then, during the non-light-emitting period N22 of the frame period F22, i.e., the blanking period of the light-emitting element 120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22, the light-emitting element 120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22 do not emit the light. In an overlap period of the non-light-emitting period N12 and the non-light-emitting period N22 (such as an overlap period of the blanking period of the light-emitting element 120_11 and the light-emitting element 120_12 and the blanking period of the light-emitting element 120_21 and the light-emitting element 120_22), i.e., a detection period T2, the optical sensor 110_11 may sense the optical signal generated by the light source device and generate the corresponding driving signal accordingly. The driving signal generated by the optical sensor 110_11 may be transmitted, for example, to the processing device of the electronic device 100, allowing the processing device to determine the position of the optical signal and perform the corresponding process. The operation of the remaining optical sensors 110_12~110_MN may be deduced by analogy from the operation of the above optical sensor 110_11, and the description thereof is not repeated herein.

[0035] Therefore, during the light-emitting period of the frame period in which the light-emitting elements are dimmed (for example, the overlap period of the light-emitting period L12 in which the light-emitting element 120_11 or the light-emitting element 120_12 is dimmed and the light-emitting period L22 in which the light-emitting element 120_21 or the light-emitting element 120_22 is dimmed) or the non-light-emitting period of the light-emitting elements (for example, the overlap period of the non-light-emitting period N12 of the light-emitting element 120_11 or the light-emitting element 120_12 and the non-light-emitting period N22 of the light-emitting element 120_21 or the light-emitting element 120_22), the optical sensor 110_11 may sense the optical signal generated by the light source device, so as to effectively decrease the possibility of noise misjudgment or increase the detection accuracy of the optical sensor 110_11.

[0036] In addition, in some embodiments, in cases where the display frame of the electronic device 100 includes the frame with brightest and darkest (such as displaying a fireworks frame), when the

optical signal generated by the light source device appears in the darkest position, the optical sensor may immediately sense the optical signal generated by the light source device to generate the corresponding driving signal. When the optical signal generated by the light source device appears in the brightest position, the optical sensor may use the above method to sense, so as to generate the corresponding driving signal. For example, the light-emitting element is dimmed, the optical sensor may sense the brightness of the optical signal generated by the light source device to generate the corresponding driving signal.

[0037] FIG. 3 is an operation timing diagram of an optical sensor and light-emitting elements of an electronic device according to another embodiment of the disclosure. Please refer to FIG. 1 and FIG. 3. The electronic device **100** of the embodiment is the same as the above embodiment, and the description thereof is not repeated herein. For the convenience of description, the electronic device **100** including the optical sensor **110_11**, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** is taken as an example. The operation of the remaining optical sensors **110_12~110_MN** may be deduced by analogy from the operation of the above optical sensor **110_11**, and the description thereof is not repeated herein. The electronic device **100** includes, for example, a frame period **F11**, a frame period **F12**, a frame period **F21** and a frame period **F22** during the display period. The frame period **F11** may include light-emitting periods **L11** and non-light-emitting periods **N11** of a plurality of light-emitting elements, for example, a light-emitting period **L11** and a non-light-emitting period **N11** of the light-emitting element **120_11** or the light-emitting element **120_12**. The frame period **F12** follows the frame period **F11**, and the frame period **F12** may include light-emitting periods **L12** and non-light-emitting periods **N12** of the light-emitting elements.

[0038] The frame period **F21** may include light-emitting periods **L21** and non-light-emitting periods **N21** of the light-emitting elements, for example, a light-emitting period **L21** a non-light-emitting period **N21** of the light-emitting element **120_21** or the light-emitting element **120_22**. The frame period **F22** follows the frame period **F21**, and the frame period **F22** may include light-emitting periods **L22** and non-light-emitting periods **N22** of the light-emitting elements. In the embodiment, **F11**, **F12**, **F21** and **F22** are, for example, the frame periods of the electronic device **100** in the display stage.

[0039] In the embodiment, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** normally perform the function of the electronic device **100** during the frame periods **F11** and **F21**, respectively. This function may be, for example, displaying dynamic or static frames. During the next frame period **F12** and the frame period **F22**, the brightness of the light-emitting period **L12** and the light-emitting period **L22** is decreased. At this time, the light-emitting period **L12** and the light-emitting period **L22** are added to form a detection period **T3**. The processing device of the electronic device **100** may receive the driving signal generated by the optical sensor **110_11** during the detection period **T3** and perform the corresponding process. For example, the processing device determines the coordinates of the position of the electronic device **100** that is touched by the finger using the detected driving signal.

[0040] In the embodiment, the brightness may also be transformed into a corresponding gray level value to indicate that the gray level value is high or the brightness is high. For example, when the electronic device **100** is performing a function normally, the highest brightness appears, for example, to be gray level 255. When the processing device receives the driving signal during the detection period **T3**, the electronic device **100** sends a signal, such as a pulsed signal, to the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22**. The light-**120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** generate a lower gray level during the corresponding light-emitting periods **L12** and **L22**. For example, the light-emitting brightness with the highest brightness of the gray level 255 is taken as an example, the light-emitting elements are adjusted to a relatively lower brightness of the gray

level **190**, the noise signal received by the processing device from the driving signal not generated by the optical sensor **110_11** may be decreased, so as to improve the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) or increase the detection accuracy of the processing device.

[0041] In the embodiment, the pulsed signal refers to a periodic signal, but the time axis of the previous signal and the next signal is not continuous. The type of the pulsed signal is not limited. For example, the pulsed signal may be a rectangular pulse, a square wave pulse, a triangular pulse or other suitable pulse signals. It should be noted that decreasing the brightness of light-emitting period **L12** and light-emitting period **L22** and receiving the driving signal generated by the optical sensor **110_11** during the detection period **T3** is an example of the disclosure.

[0042] In another embodiment, the brightness of the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** may be increased during the detection period, so that the processing device of the electronic device **100** receives the driving signal generated by the optical sensor **110_11**. For example, referring to FIG. 3, the frame period **F13** and the frame period **F23** are the period that the electronic device **100** normally performs the function. When the processing device starts to detect, the electronic device **100** sends a signal, such as a pulsed signal, such that the brightness of the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** during the corresponding light-emitting period **L13** and light-emitting period **L23** is higher than the brightness of the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** during the previous frame period **F12**. At this time, the added time of the light-emitting period **L13** and the light-emitting period **L23** may be a detection period **T4**, and the processing device may receive the driving signal generated by the optical sensor **110_11** during the detection period **T4** and perform the corresponding process.

[0043] Therefore, the brightness of the light-emitting elements during the detection period is changed, such that the optical sensor **110_11** may be detected by the processing device during the light-emitting period of the frame period of the electronic device **100**, so as to effectively decrease the possibility of noise misjudgment or increase the detection accuracy of the processing device. As for the details and steps of the detection may be described in the subsequent embodiments.

[0044] FIG. 4 is a schematic view of an electronic device according to another embodiment of the disclosure. FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the electronic device in FIG. 4 taken along a line A-A'. Please refer to FIG. 4 and FIG. 5. The electronic device **400** may include a plurality of light-emitting element and a plurality of optical sensors, as shown in the electronic device **100**. It is worth noting that, for the convenience of description, FIG. 4 shows a part of the situation of the electronic device. Please refer to FIG. 4. The electronic device **400** at least includes a substrate **410**, a light-emitting element **120_11**, a light-emitting element **120_12**, a light-emitting element **120_21**, a light-emitting element **120_22** and an optical sensor **440**. In an embodiment, the electronic device **400** may be a display device, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. In addition, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21**, the light-emitting element **120_22** and the optical sensor **440** shown in FIG. 4 and FIG. 5 are an exemplary embodiment of the disclosure, but not used to limit the number or shape of light-emitting elements and optical sensor of the disclosure. The user may adjust the number or shape of the light-emitting elements and optical sensor according to the requirements thereof. The disposing of the light-emitting elements and the optical sensor may not necessarily follow the disposing manner shown in FIG. 4. The light-emitting element **120_11** and the light-emitting element **120_21** may be alternatively disposed on the Y direction or other suitable design manners, as long as the effect of the disclosure may be achieved.

[0045] In the embodiment, the substrate **410** may be a rigid substrate or a flexible substrate. The material of the substrate includes, for example, glass, quartz, sapphire, polyimide (PI), polycarbonate (PC) or polyethylene terephthalate (PET) or a combination thereof but the disclosure

is not limited thereto. The light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** are disposed on the substrate **410**, and the light-emitting element **120_11** is adjacent to the light-emitting element **120_22**. In the embodiment, the light-emitting element **120_11**, the light-emitting element **120_12**, the light-emitting element **120_21** and the light-emitting element **120_22** may be the OLED, the LED, such as the mini LED, the micro LED, the QLED/QD-LED etc., but the disclosure is not limited thereto. [0046] The optical sensor **440** is disposed on the substrate **410** and adjacent to the light-emitting element **120_11** and the light-emitting element **120_22**. In the embodiment, the distance D1 between the optical sensor **440** and the light-emitting element **120_11** is less than half of the distance D2 between the light-emitting element **120_11** and the light-emitting element **120_22**. That is, the optical sensor **440** is disposed adjacent to the light-emitting element **120_11** and far away from the light-emitting element **120_22**. In addition, the distance D1 and the distance D2 are, for example, the shortest distances between two objects in a top view direction of the electronic device **400**, such as the X-Y plane. The disposing position of the optical sensor **440** shown in FIG. 5 is an exemplary embodiment of the disclosure, but the disclosure is not limited thereto. The user may adjust the disposing position of the optical sensor **440** according to the requirements thereof. The distance D1 between the optical sensor **440** and the light-emitting element **120_11** is still less than half of the distance D2 between the light-emitting element **120_11** and the light-emitting element **120_22**, and the same technical effect may be achieved.

[0047] In some embodiments, since the optical sensor **440** is adjacent to the light-emitting element **120_11** and the height of the light-emitting element **120_11** is higher than the height of the optical sensor **440**, the light-emitting element **120_11** may be used to shield at least some of the noise light **450** coming toward the optical sensor **440**, as indicated by the “X” marked in FIG. 5. The height referred to in the disclosure may, for example, be the distance between the surface **410a** of the substrate **410** closest to the light-emitting element **120_11** and the top surface **120_11a** of the light-emitting element **120_11**. Similarly, the height of the optical sensor **440** refers to the distance from the surface **410a** to the top surface **440a** of the optical sensor **440**. The noise light **450** of the embodiment may be an ambient light or a light that is not sensed by the optical sensor **440**. Therefore, the optical sensor **440** may be shielded from the interference of the noise light **450**, improving the signal-to-noise ratio of the optical sensor **440** or increasing the sensing accuracy of the optical sensor **440**.

[0048] In some embodiments, in a normal direction of the substrate **410**, such as a Z direction, the optical sensor **440** may partially overlap the light-emitting element **120_11**. That is, a part of the optical sensor **440** is disposed below the light-emitting element **120_11**, and another part of the optical sensor **440** is exposed outside the light-emitting element **120_11**. The term “below” in this embodiment indicates that when viewed from the Z direction, the light-emitting element **120_11** and the optical sensor **440** overlap completely or partially. When the overlap range of the light-emitting element **120_11** and the optical sensor **440** in the Z direction is larger, the light-emitting element **120_11** may decrease more noise light **450** toward the optical sensor **440**. Therefore, the optical sensor **440** may decrease the influences from the noise light **450**, so as to improve the signal-to-noise ratio of the optical sensor **440** or increase the detection accuracy of the optical sensor **440**.

[0049] The embodiment shown in FIG. 6 takes the optical sensor **440** directly below the light-emitting element **120_11** as an example. When the light-emitting element **120_11** and the optical sensor **440** completely overlap in the Z direction, the light-emitting element **120_11** may shield more noise light **450**, as “X” marked in FIG. 6. Therefore, the optical sensor **440** may decrease the influences from the noise light **450**, so as to improve the signal-to-noise ratio of the optical sensor **440** or increase the detection accuracy of the optical sensor **440**. Next, the details and steps of the detection of the disclosure will be described.

[0050] FIG. 7 is a stereogram of the embodiment in FIG. 4. Please refer to FIG. 7 and FIG. 4. The

electronic device **400** may include a plurality of light-emitting elements, such as a light-emitting element **120_11**, a light-emitting element **120_12**, a light-emitting element **120_21** and a light-emitting element **120_22**. Please refer to FIG. **3**. The light-emitting elements may generate optical signals during the frame period **F11**, such as an optical signal **OS1** marked in FIG. **7**, and the optical signal **OS1** has a corresponding first gray level. In addition, the light-emitting elements may also generate an optical signal **OS2** during the frame period **F12**, and the optical signal **OS2** has a corresponding second gray level. In an embodiment, the optical signal **OS1** may represent the optical signal emitted by the light-emitting elements during the display period. The optical signal **OS2** may represent the optical signal emitted by the light-emitting elements during the detection period. At this time, the optical signal **OS2** may be, for example, a pulsed optical signal.

[0051] Please refer to FIG. **7**. In the overall operation, the light-emitting elements may generate the optical signal **OS2** during the detection period. The user may use an object **700** to touch the electronic device **400**, such that the object **700** may reflect the optical signal **OS2** generated by the light-emitting elements far away from the optical sensor **440**, such as the light-emitting element **120_22**, to generate an optical signal **OS3** (regarded as a reflected optical signal). In the embodiment, the above object **700** may be a finger or a stylus, but the disclosure is not limited thereto, as long as the effect of the disclosure may be achieved.

[0052] Then, the optical sensor **440** may sense the optical signal **OS3**, and output the driving signal during the detection period of the processing device according to the optical signal **OS3**. Therefore, since the noise light **450** may be partially or completely shielded by the light-emitting elements of the optical sensor **440**, such that the light-emitting element, the optical sensor **440** may decrease the interference from the noise light **450**, so as to improve the signal-to-noise ratio of the optical sensor **440** or increase the detection accuracy of the optical sensor **440**.

[0053] In more detail, since the optical sensor **440** is used to sense the optical signal **OS3** generated by the object **700** reflecting the optical signal **OS2**, in order to decrease the influence of the optical sensor **440** on the noise light **450**, the gray level values of the light-emitting elements adjacent to the optical sensor **440** may be changed, i.e., the light brightness of the light-emitting elements are changed. For example, when the function of the electronic device **400** is performed normally, the light-emitting elements emit the optical signal **OS1**, and the optical signal **OS1** has a first gray level. During the detection period, the light-emitting elements emit the optical signal **OS2**, and the optical signal **OS2** has a second gray level, wherein the second gray level and the first gray level are different.

[0054] In an embodiment, if the first gray level is the highest gray level, taking gray levels 0 to 255 as an example, for example, the gray level **255**, and the value of the second gray level may be lower the value of the first gray level, for example, the second gray level is the gray level **190**. In another embodiment, if the first gray level is in a state of a lower gray level, for example, the gray level **62**, the value of the second gray level may be higher than the value of the first gray level, for example, the second gray level is the gray level **255**. The object **700** may reflect the optical signal **OS2** and generate the optical signal **OS3**. The optical sensor adjacent to these light-emitting elements, such as the optical sensor **440** of the optical sensors, outputs the driving signal according to the optical signal **OS3**. This driving signal may be received, for example, by the processing device of the electronic device **400**, such that the processing device may determine the position of the optical signal and perform the corresponding process.

[0055] FIG. **8** is a flowchart of an operation method of an electronic device for sensing an optical signal according to an embodiment of the disclosure. For example, FIG. **8** corresponds to FIG. **1** to FIG. **2**. In the embodiment, the electronic device includes a plurality of optical sensors and a plurality of light-emitting elements disposed adjacent to the plurality of optical sensors. In step **S802**, the method involves providing the optical signal to a first optical sensor of the plurality of optical sensors. In step **S804**, the method involves the first optical sensor outputting a driving signal when dimming the plurality of light-emitting elements adjacent to the first optical sensor. In

some embodiments, different optical sensors detect during different detection periods, and the light-emitting elements adjacent to the optical sensors are dimmed during the corresponding detection periods. In some embodiments, all the plurality of optical sensors detect during a detection period, and all the plurality of light-emitting elements are dimmed during the detection period.

[0056] FIG. 9 is a flowchart of an operation method of an electronic device for sensing an optical signal according to an embodiment of the disclosure. For example, FIG. 9 corresponds to FIG. 3 to FIG. 7. In the embodiment, the electronic device includes a plurality of optical sensors and a plurality of light-emitting elements disposed adjacent to the plurality of optical sensors. In step S902, the method involves the plurality of light-emitting elements emitting a first optical signal, wherein the first optical signal has a first gray level. In step S904, the method involves the plurality of light-emitting elements emitting a second optical signal, wherein the second optical signal has a second gray level, and the second gray level and the first gray level are different. In step S906, the method involves providing an object. In step S908, the method involves the object reflecting the second optical signal to form a third optical signal. In step S910, the method involves a first optical sensor of the plurality of optical sensors outputting a driving signal according to the third optical signal. In some embodiments, the processing device performs the detection during a period when the plurality of light-emitting elements emit the second optical signal.

[0057] In summary, according to the operation method of the electronic device for sensing the optical signal and the electronic device in the embodiments of the disclosure, the optical signal is provided to the first optical sensor of the optical sensors, and when the light-emitting elements adjacent to the first optical sensor are dimmed, the first optical sensor of the optical sensors outputs the driving signal. Therefore, the possibility that the optical sensors mistakenly determine the light emitted by the adjacent light-emitting elements as the optical signal generated by the light source device may be decreased, so as to increase the detection accuracy of the optical sensors. In addition, the disclosure further sets the distance between the optical sensor and the first light-emitting element being less than half of the distance between the first light-emitting element and the second light-emitting element, and the optical sensor senses the third optical signal generated by the object reflecting the second optical signal generated by the light-emitting element, so as to output the driving signal. Therefore, the optical sensor may be shielded from the interference of the noise light, improving the signal-to-noise ratio of the optical sensor or increasing the sensing accuracy of the optical sensor.

[0058] While the disclosure has been described by way of examples and in terms of the preferred embodiments, it should be understood that the disclosure is not limited to the disclosed embodiments. On the contrary, it is intended to cover various modifications, combinations, and similar arrangements (as would be apparent to those skilled in the art). Therefore, the scope of the appended claims should be accorded the broadest interpretation to encompass all such modifications, combinations, and similar arrangements.

Claims

1. An electronic device for detecting an optical signal, comprising: an optical sensor; and a light-emitting element disposed adjacent to the optical sensor, wherein the optical sensor is configured to detect the optical signal, wherein the light-emitting element has a first brightness during a non-detection period of the electronic device, the light-emitting element is dimmed and has a second brightness during a detection period of the electronic device, the optical sensor is configured to output a signal when the light-emitting element is dimmed, and the first brightness is greater than the second brightness.
2. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, wherein the optical sensor overlaps the light-emitting element.

3. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, wherein the optical sensor does not overlap the light-emitting element.

4. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, wherein during the detection period of the electronic device, a gray level of the light-emitting element is zero.

5. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, wherein during the detection period of the electronic device, the light-emitting element is turned off.

6. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, wherein the light-emitting element comprises an organic light-emitting diode.

7. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 1, further comprising: a substrate, having a normal direction; and an another light-emitting element; wherein the another light-emitting element, the light-emitting element and the optical sensor are disposed on the substrate; wherein when viewing along the normal direction, the optical sensor is adjacent to the light-emitting element and the another light-emitting element, and a distance between the optical sensor and the light-emitting element is different from a distance between the optical sensor and the another light-emitting element.

8. The electronic device for detecting the optical signal according to claim 7, wherein the distance between the optical sensor and the light-emitting element is less than half of a distance between the light-emitting element and the another light-emitting element.
