



This is a simulated display of a design for a hand-held control device for an interactive television set. However, it is unlikely to be built as it stands because a practical control device also has buttons for features such as switching the power on and off and changing television channels whereas this design simply shows twenty-three buttons.

The twenty-three buttons shown represent buttons which would have direct access to a Java program which is running in the interactive television set, that program having been broadcast. They are the twenty buttons of the minimum set of input events together with the two optional coloured buttons, which are here displayed in the colours magenta

and orange and also the suggested regular-heptagonally shaped white button for a suggested new input event named `VK_ACCESSIBILITY`.

It is possible that a real control device for interactive television will also have a roller ball or similar device so as to provide access to mouse events within those Java programs which react to mouse events.

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