

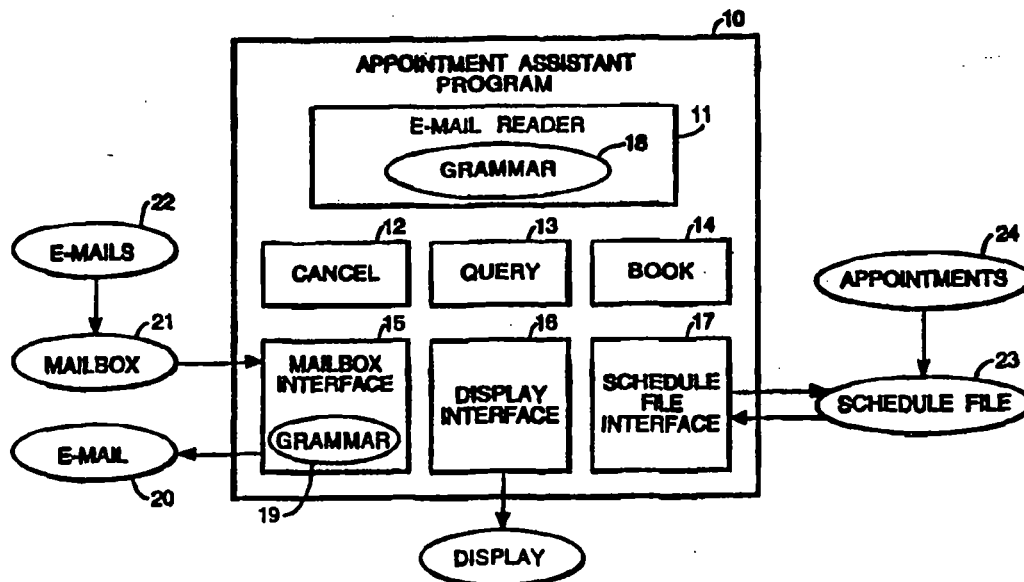
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(57) Abstract

The invention relates to a communication apparatus. Currently, the Internet provides an e-mail facility which enables natural language communication between many of the world's computer users. However, the ability to operate such a computer so as to interact automatically with an appointment file stored on another computer is limited. The invention overcomes this problem by providing a communication apparatus which is operable to extract appointment information (24) from a natural language e-mail message (22) and examines its user's schedule file (23) accordingly.

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