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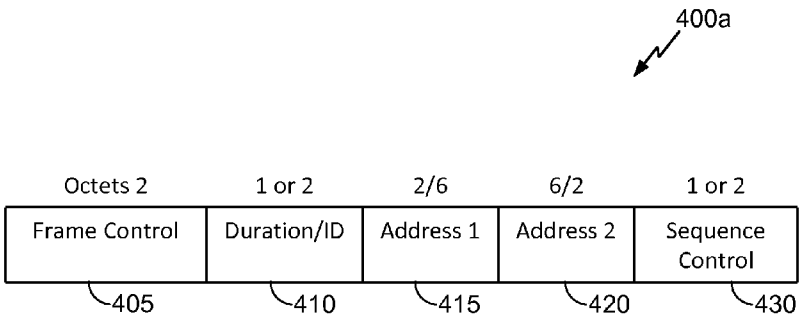


FIG. 4A

(57) Abstract: Systems, methods, and devices for communicating packets having a plurality of types are described herein. The sender or receiver-MAC address, depending on the packet direction, is substituted with a shorter local identifier in order to reduce packets' overhead.

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