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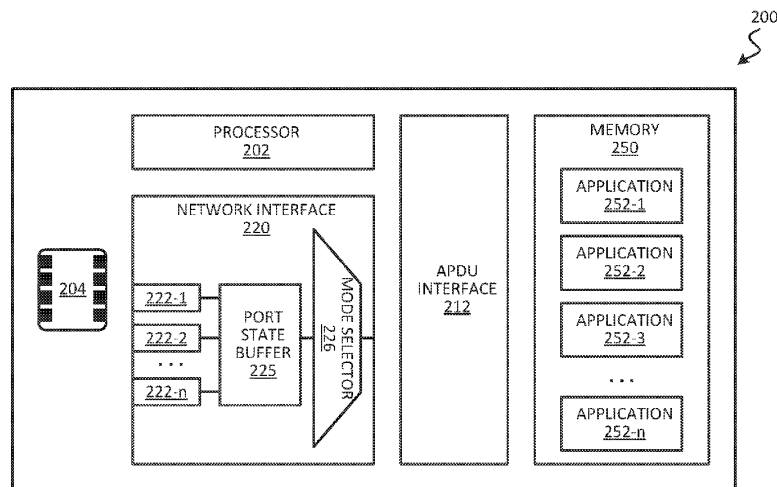


FIG. 2

(57) **Abstract:** Enhanced techniques for communicating with an integrated circuit chip card are disclosed. An integrated circuit chip card may include a processor, a memory storing a plurality applications executable by the processor, an input/output (I/O) interface, and a network interface coupled to the (I/O) interface. The network interface may implement a plurality of logical ports, and the network interface can be configurable to select between multiple communication protocols to communicate with an external device in a socket communication mode. The network interface can be configured to establish a plurality of communication channels between the external device the integrated circuit chip card using the plurality of logical ports, and each of the communication channels may support communication with one of the plurality of applications.

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