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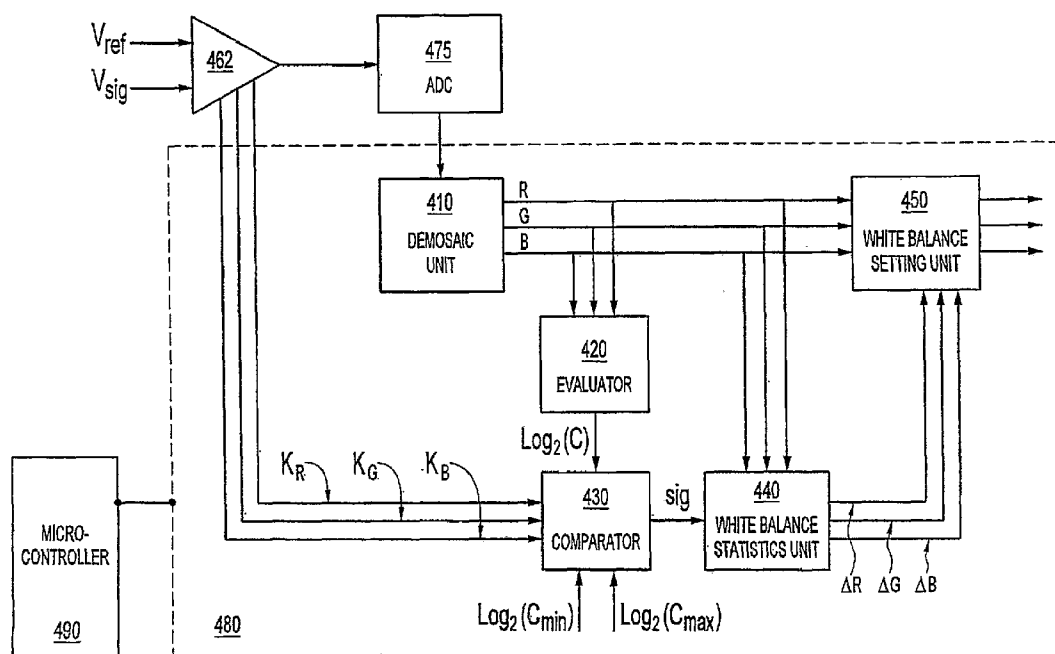
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(S7) Abstract: A method and apparatus are provided for determining which pixels of a plurality of pixels have outputs which are reflecting of the color temperature of a light source. Those pixels which are determined to be representative of a light source may be used in a white balance operation. In the method and apparatus of the invention, the pixels are examined for a relationship among the color components (e.g., R, G, B) of a pixel which meet a predetermined criteria. Those pixels which meet the criteria are used in a white balance operation.