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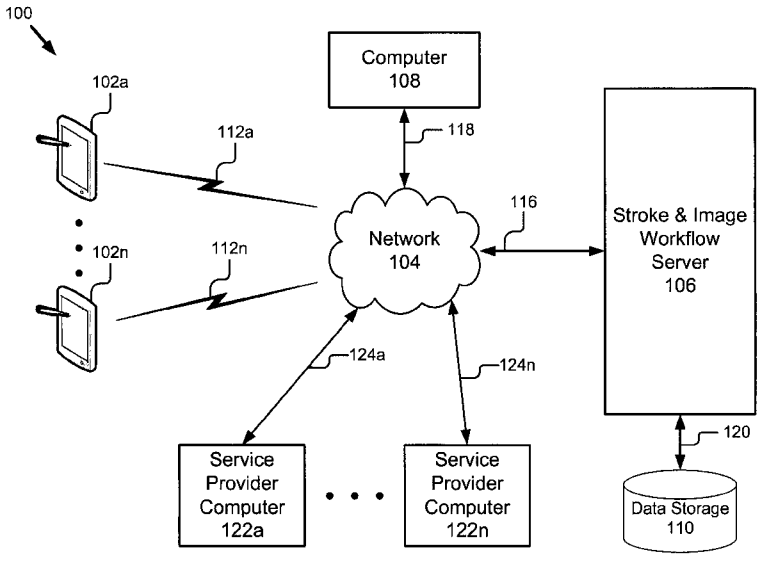
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(54) **Title**: AUTOMATIC AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC SELECTION OF SERVICE OR PROCESSING PROVIDERS

FIG.1



(57) **Abstract**: A system and method for automatic or semi-automatic selection of service or processing providers is disclosed. In one embodiment of the present invention allows the user to input a set of preferences, and from that input automatically selects a service or processing provider that matches the attributes that are important the user as derived from the input preferences. In another embodiment, the process is semi-automatic in that the user provides a set of preferences, and the present invention filters and the service or processing providers and presents a limited number of them that match the user's preferences and from which the user can select one for processing of the particular task.

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