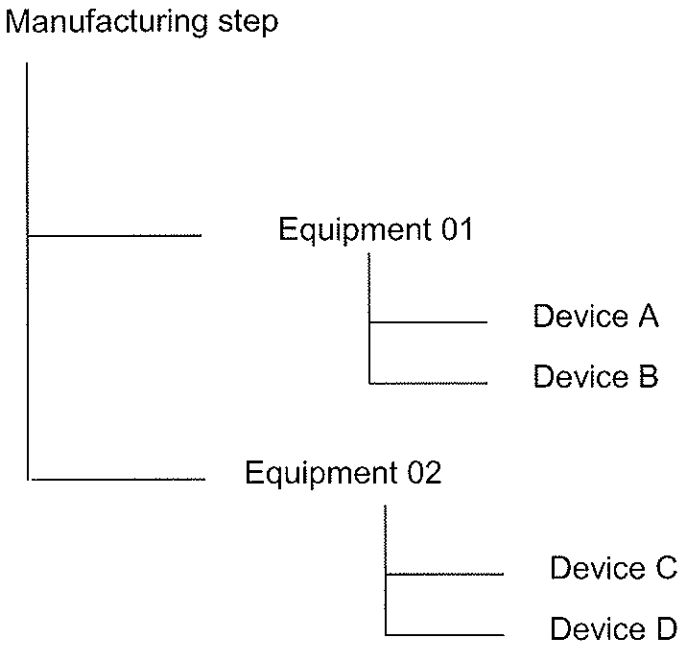


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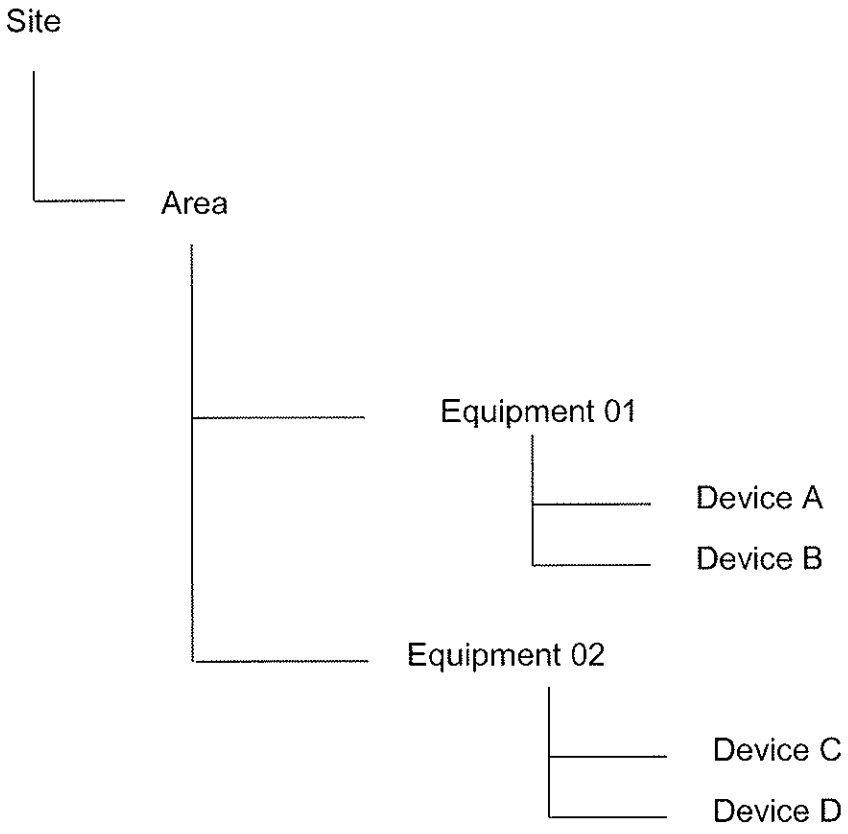


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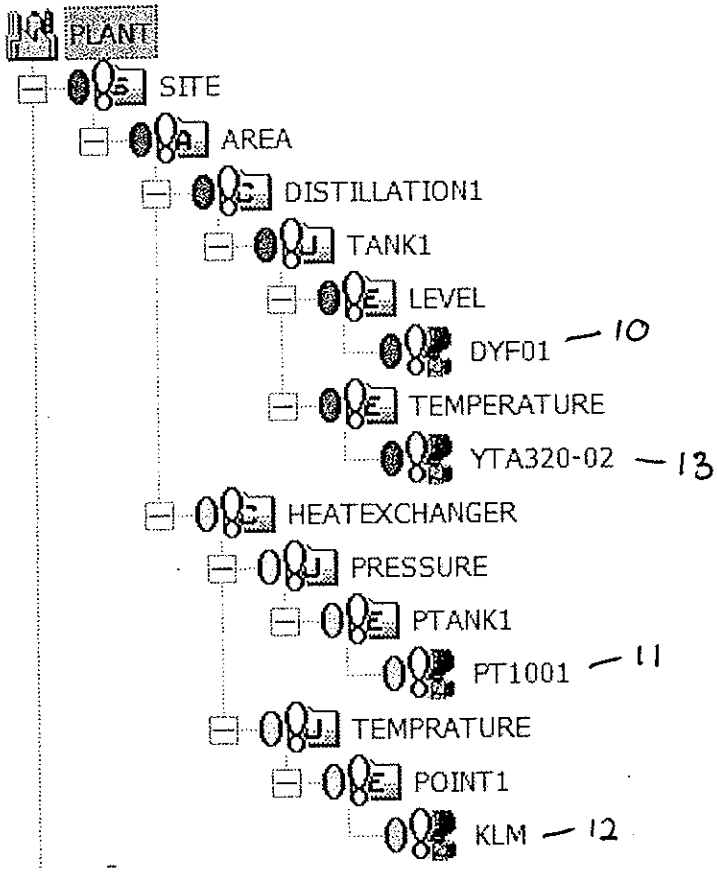


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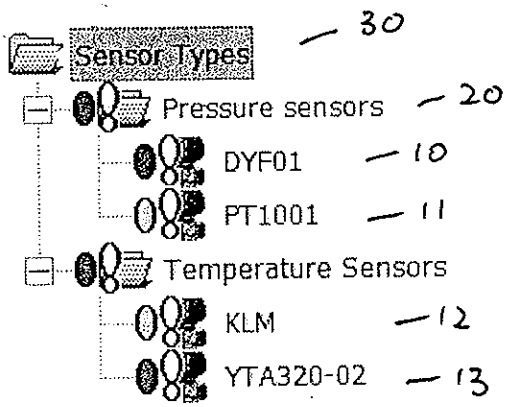


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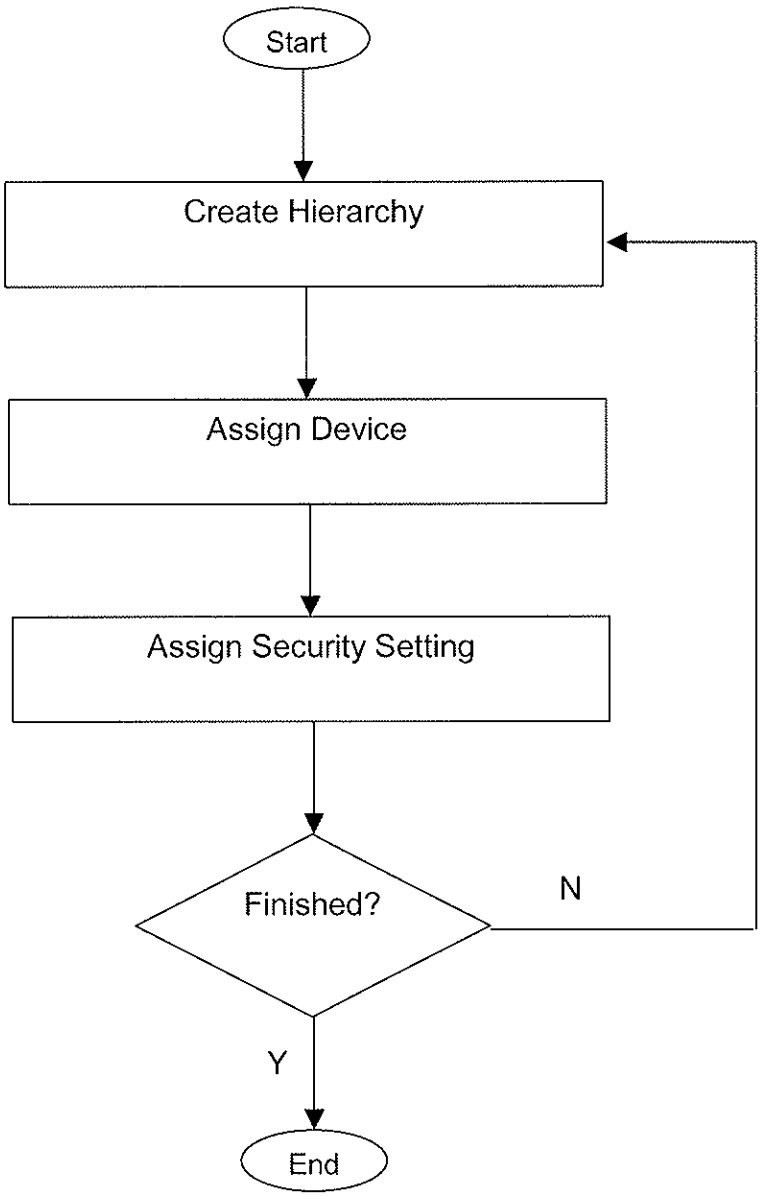

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Create Hierarchy
Assign Device
Assign Security Setting
Finished?
N
Y
End

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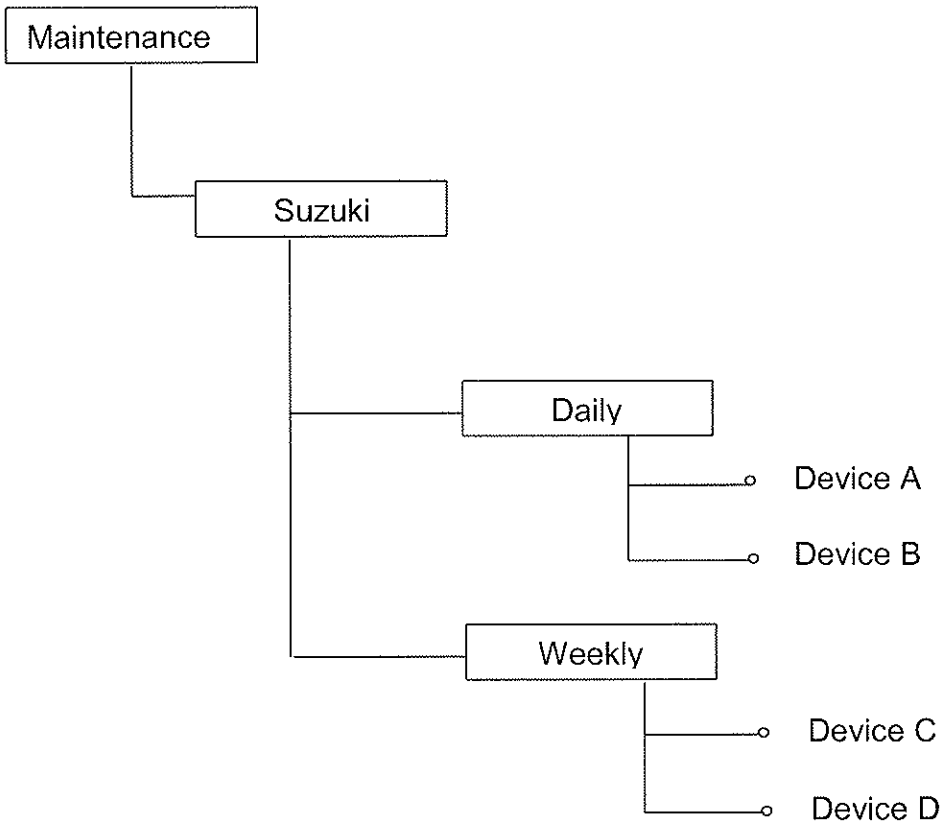

Maintenance
Suzuki
Daily
Device A
Device B
Weekly
Device C
Device D

FIGURE 4

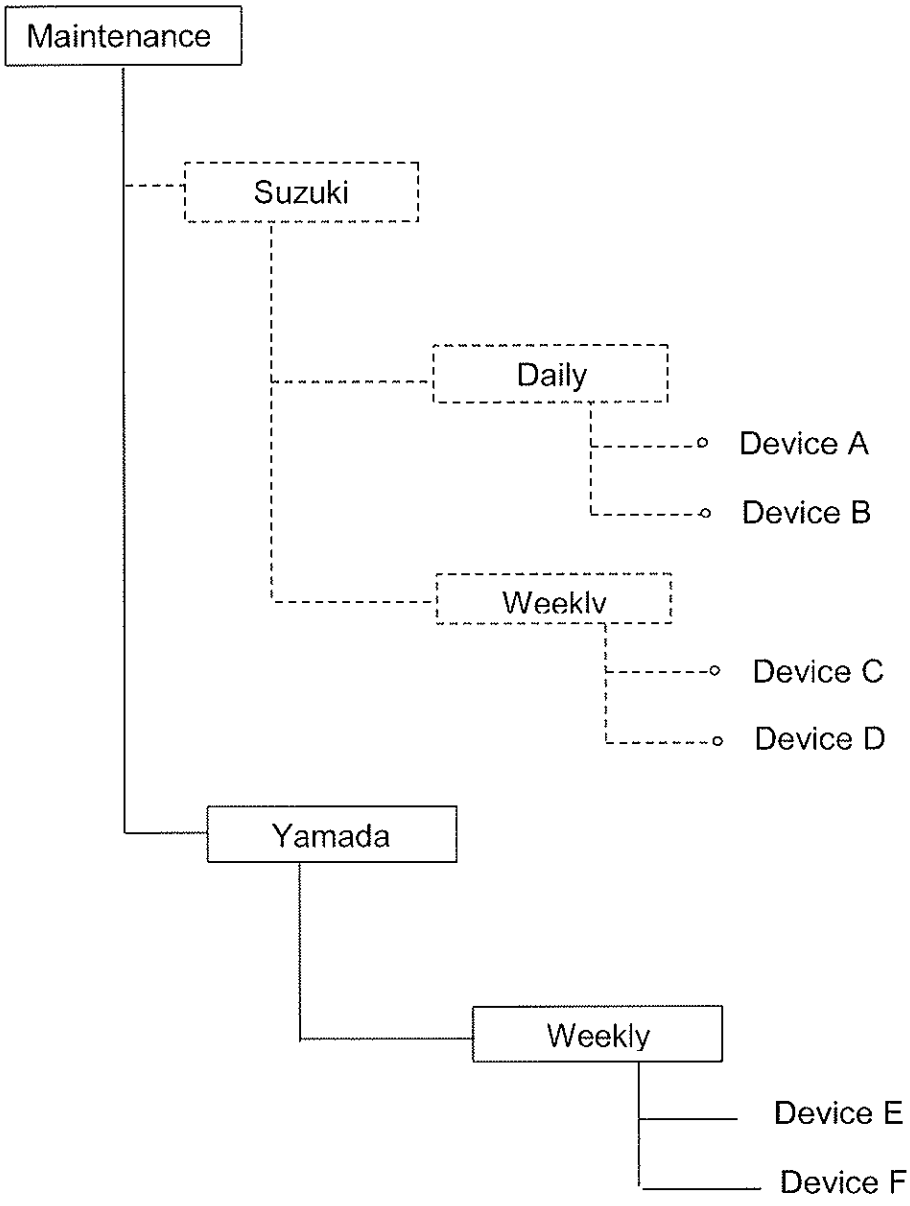

Maintenance
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Device C
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Yamada
Weekly
Device E
Device F

Figure 5