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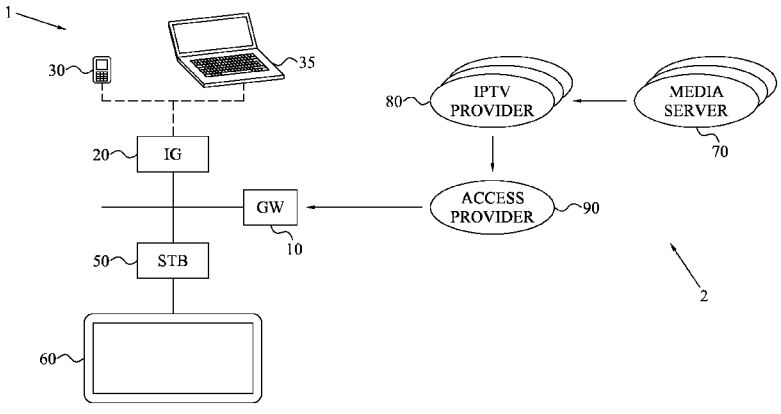


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A set top box (50) is enabled to handle in IMS services by providing a script-based IMS application (40) running in a declarative application environment(54) of the set top box (50) to effectuate IPTV session signaling between an IMS gateway (20) and the embedded OITF system (56) of the set top box (50). As a consequence, not only set top boxes (50) preconfigured with and having installed native IMS functionality can provide IMS services to users within a home network (1).

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