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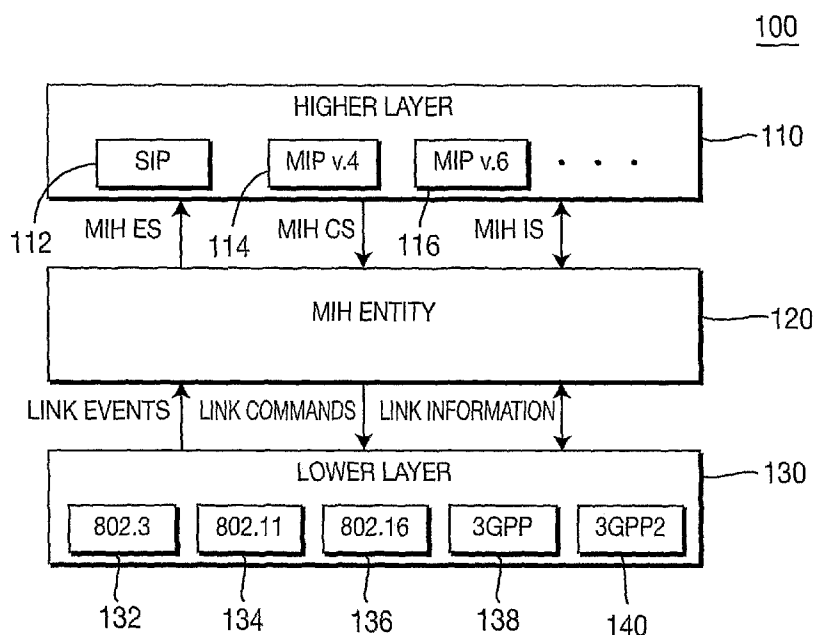
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(57) Abstract: A method and system for media independent handover (MIH) using an Ethernet operation, administration and maintenance (OAM) protocol are disclosed. Link connectivity between a user equipment (UE) and an MIH point of service (PoS) is monitored by using an OAM protocol. An OAM trigger indicating a link status is mapped to an MIH event and the MIH event is reported for potential handover. The OAM protocol may be IEEE 802.3ah or 802.1ag.



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