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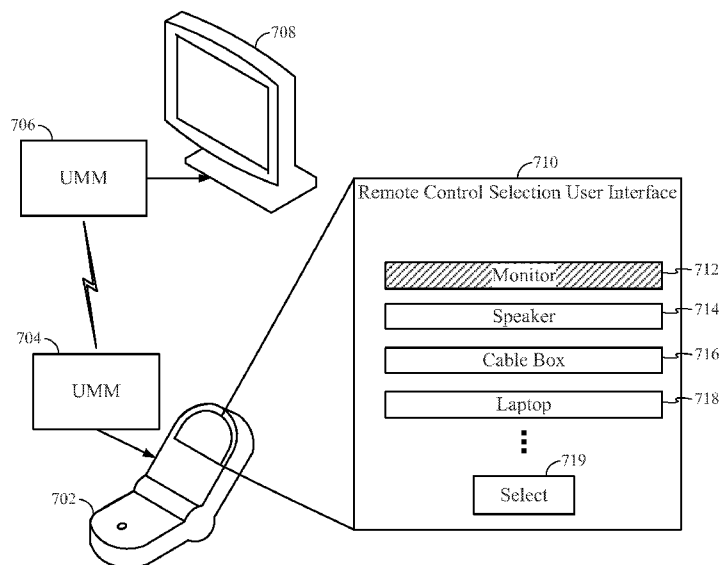


FIG. 7A

(57) Abstract: Described herein are various techniques for remotely controlling the presentation of multimedia data contained within a multiplex signal by various devices on a local area network. According to one aspect, a method is provided that allows for controlling the presentation of multimedia data being delivered to one or more devices on a local area network. Control is provided through the steps of receiving at least a portion of a multiplex signal at a control device, determining at the control device the one or more logical channels contained within the multiplex signal, detecting the presence of a controllable device on the local area network, receiving at least a portion of the multiplex signal at the controllable device, and transmitting instructions from the control device to the controllable device that instructs the controllable device to present to a user at least one type of multimedia data associated with one or more of the logical channels of the multiplex signal. According to another aspect, a mobile device is provided that communicates wirelessly over a local area network and includes at least one interface for displaying information and accepting input from a user. Furthermore, the mobile device receives a wireless multiplex signal that comprises one or more logical channels of multimedia data, and issue instructions to at least one multimedia device on the network indicating what multimedia data to consume by instructing the multimedia device to tune into one or more logical channels of the multiplex signal.

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