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(54) **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SYMBOL BINARIZATION**

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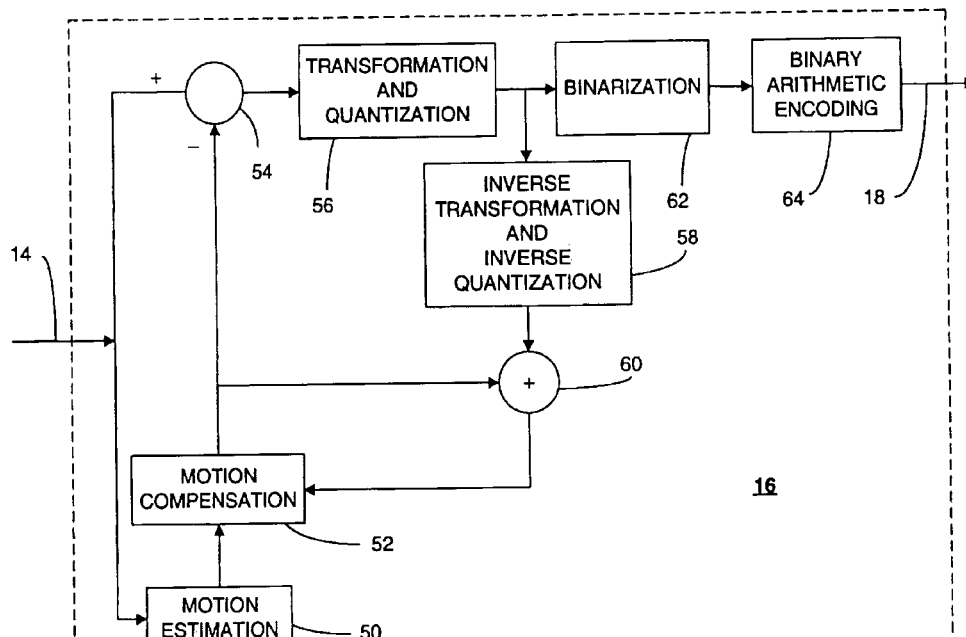
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(57)   **ABSTRACT**

The present invention is directed to an improved method for the binarization of data in an MPEG data stream. The invention makes use of unary binarization to create code-words up until an index threshold. Once the threshold has been met, succeeding code symbols have appended to them an exp-Golomb suffix. This hybrid binarization scheme reduces the number of binary codewords to be processed by a Binary Arithmetic Coder (BAC), thus reducing the computation required by the BAC.
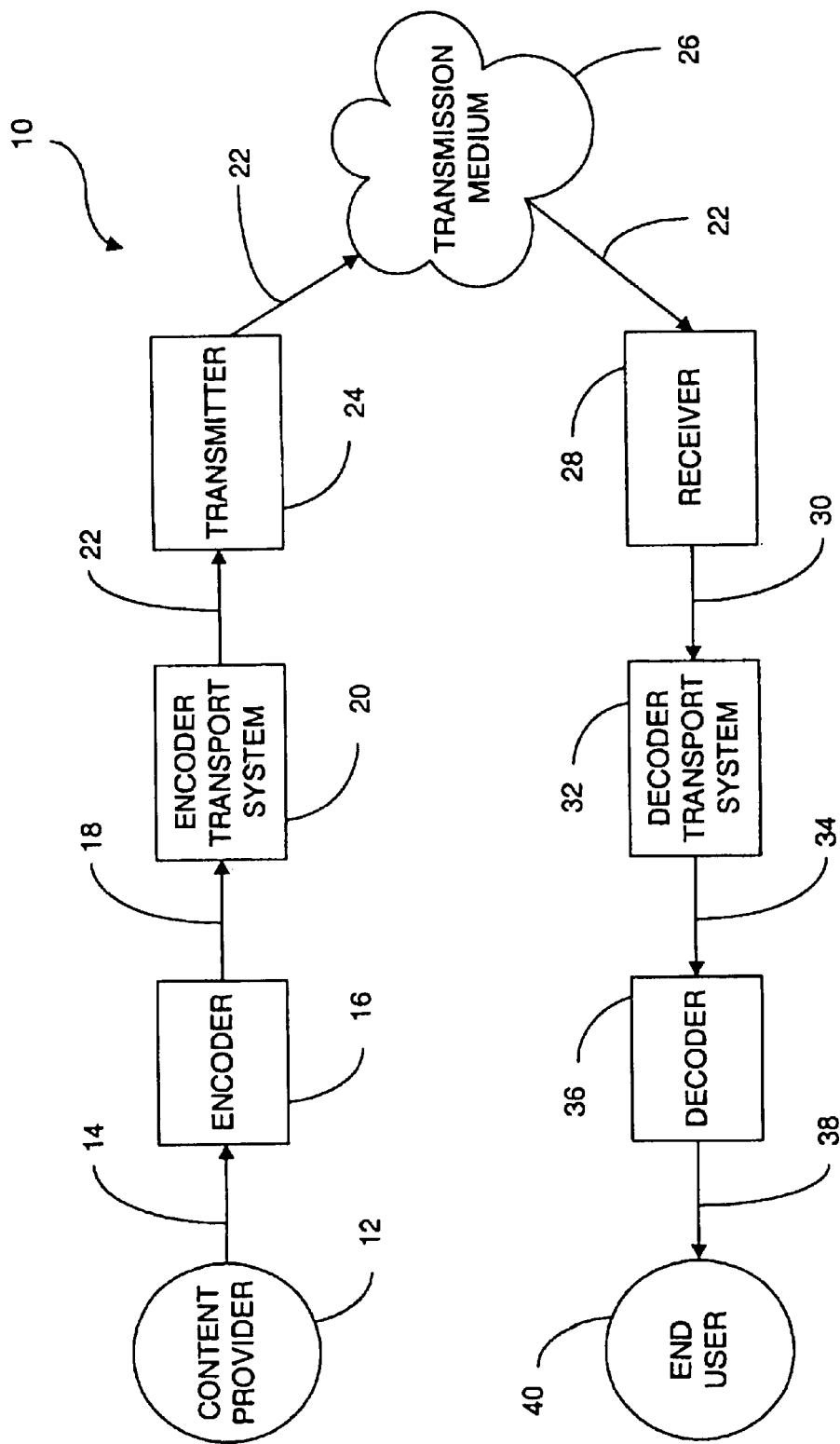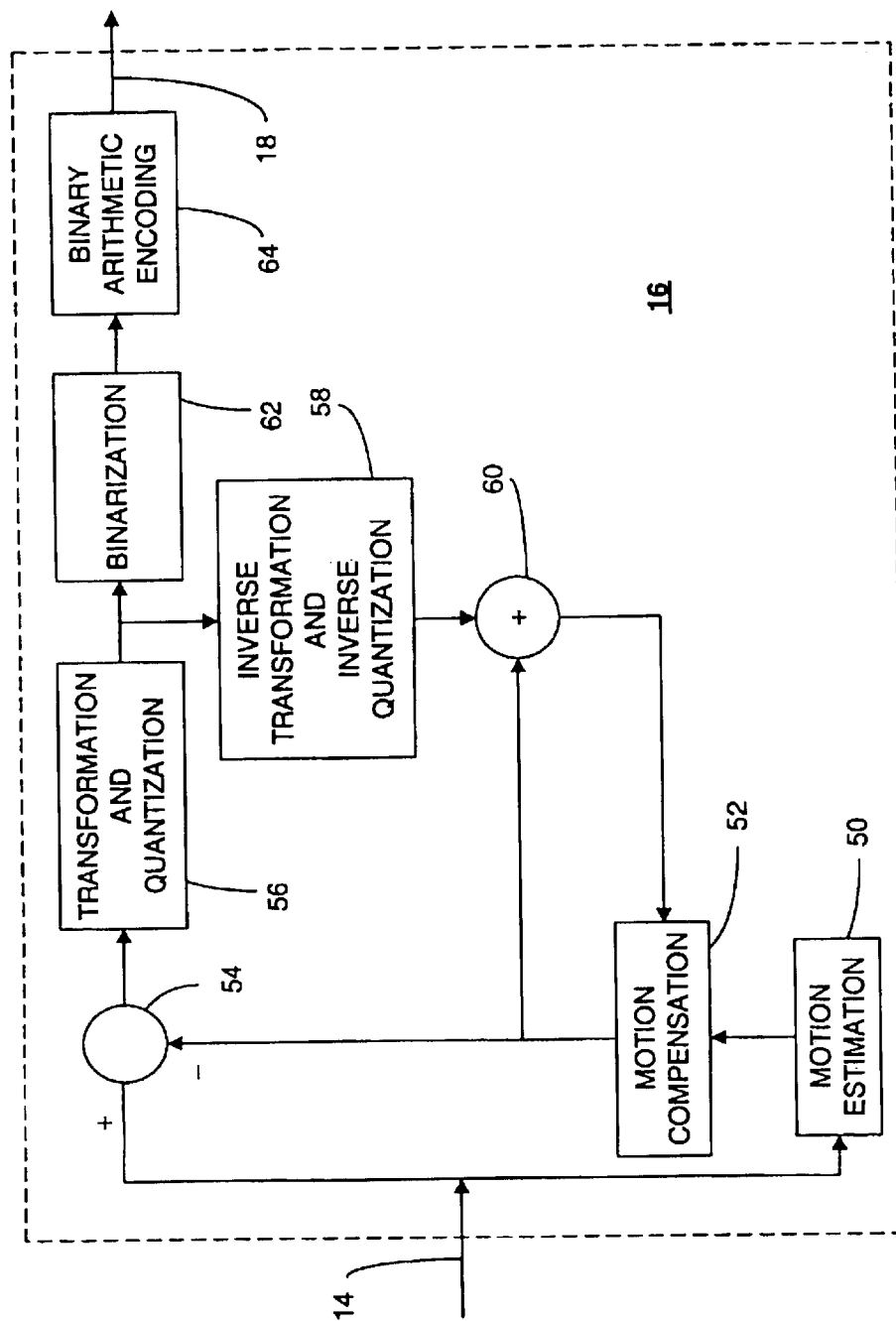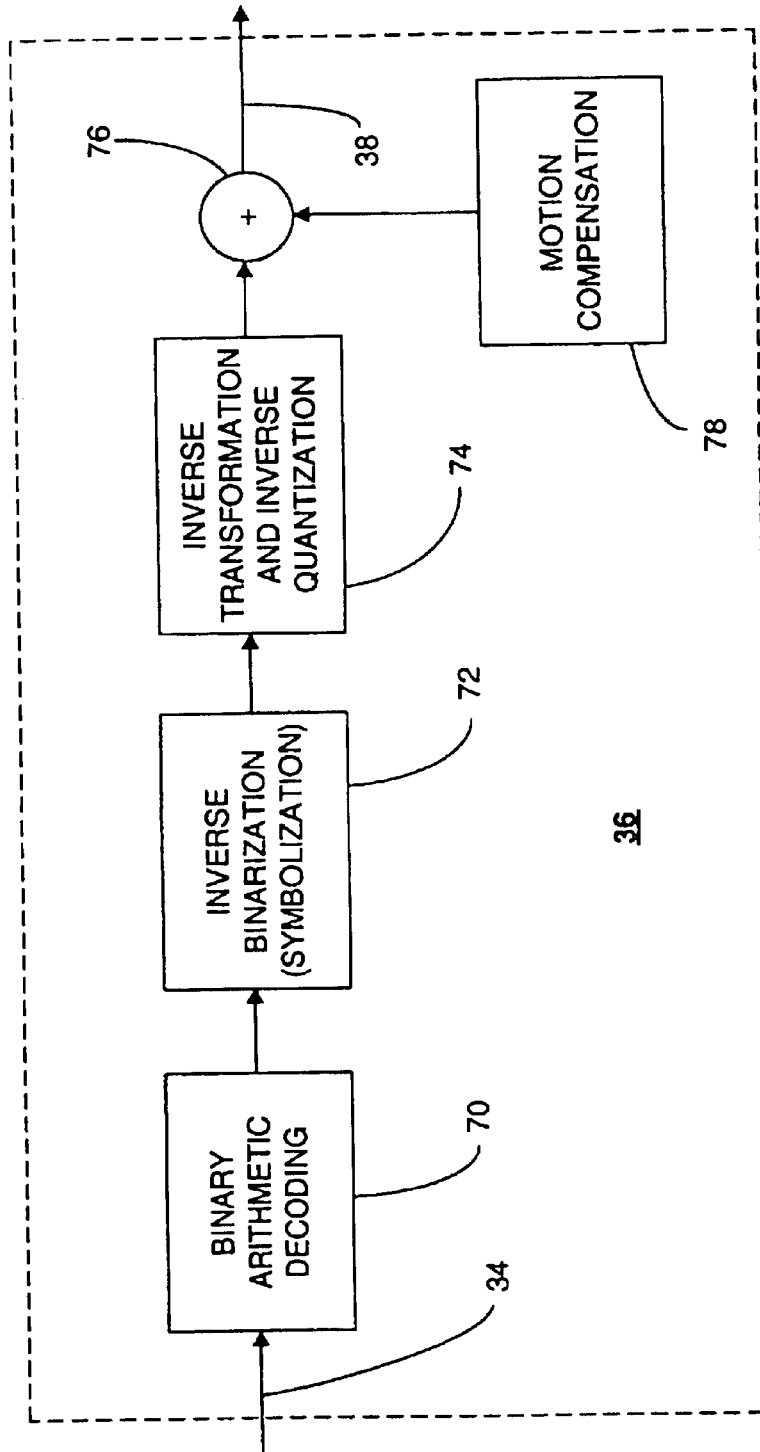
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FIG. 2

FIG. 3

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