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DISPLAY OF A MULTIPLE MESSAGE
ELECTRONIC MAIL THREAD**

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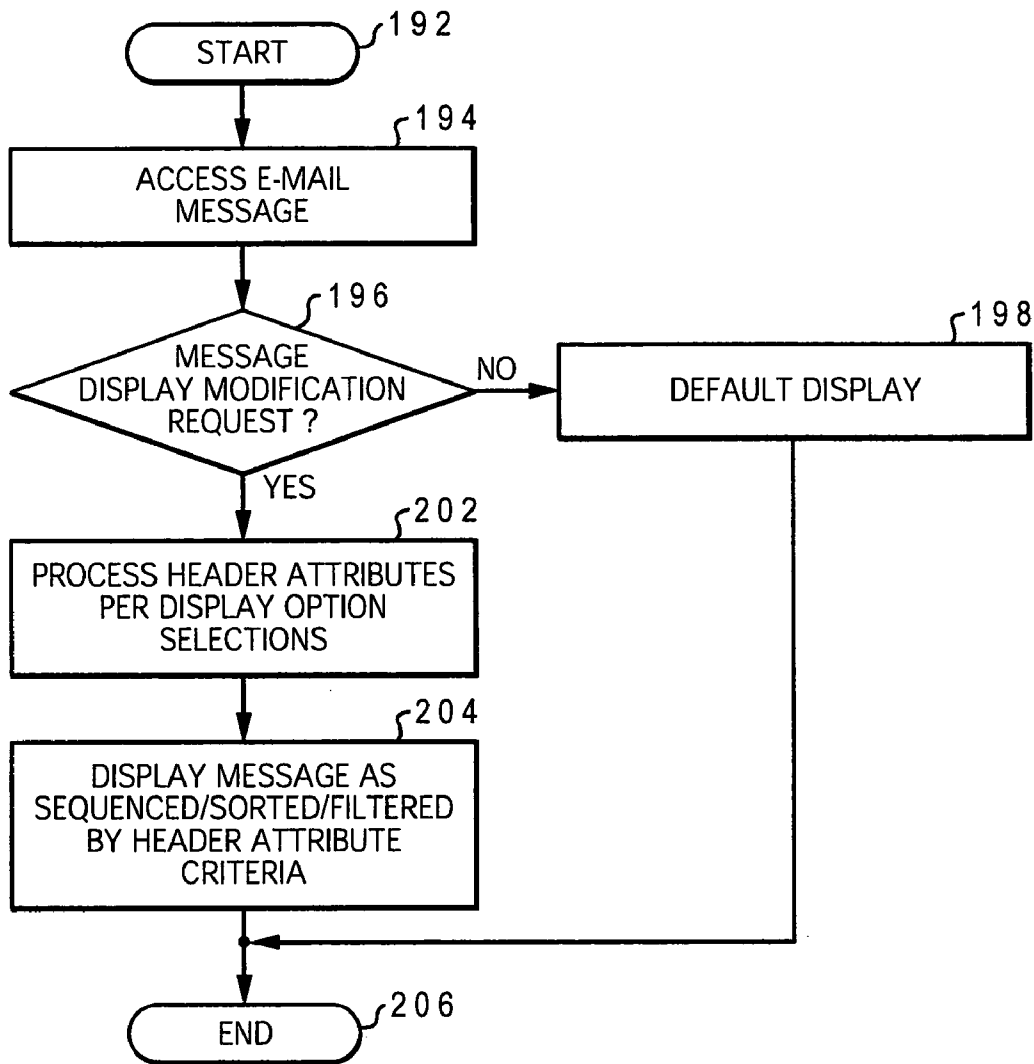
(57) **ABSTRACT**

A system, method and computer program product for managing display of a multiple message e-mail thread. In accordance with the method of the invention, an e-mail message is accessed by an e-mail thread display module. The e-mail message includes multiple sections each having an associated section header including one or more header attributes. A user display preference based on one or more of the header attributes is received and the e-mail message is displayed on a display device in accordance with the received user display preference.

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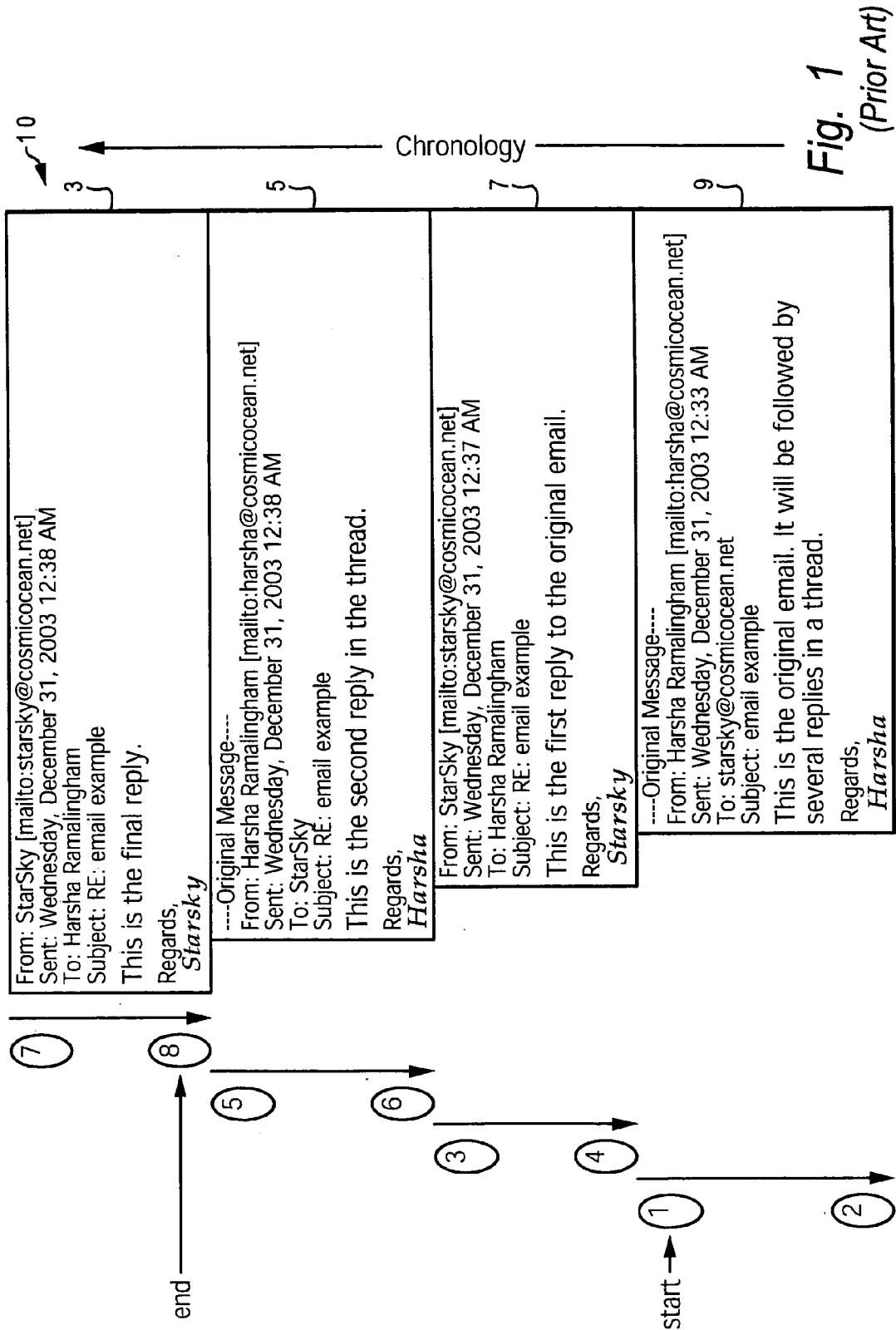


Fig. 1
(Prior Art)

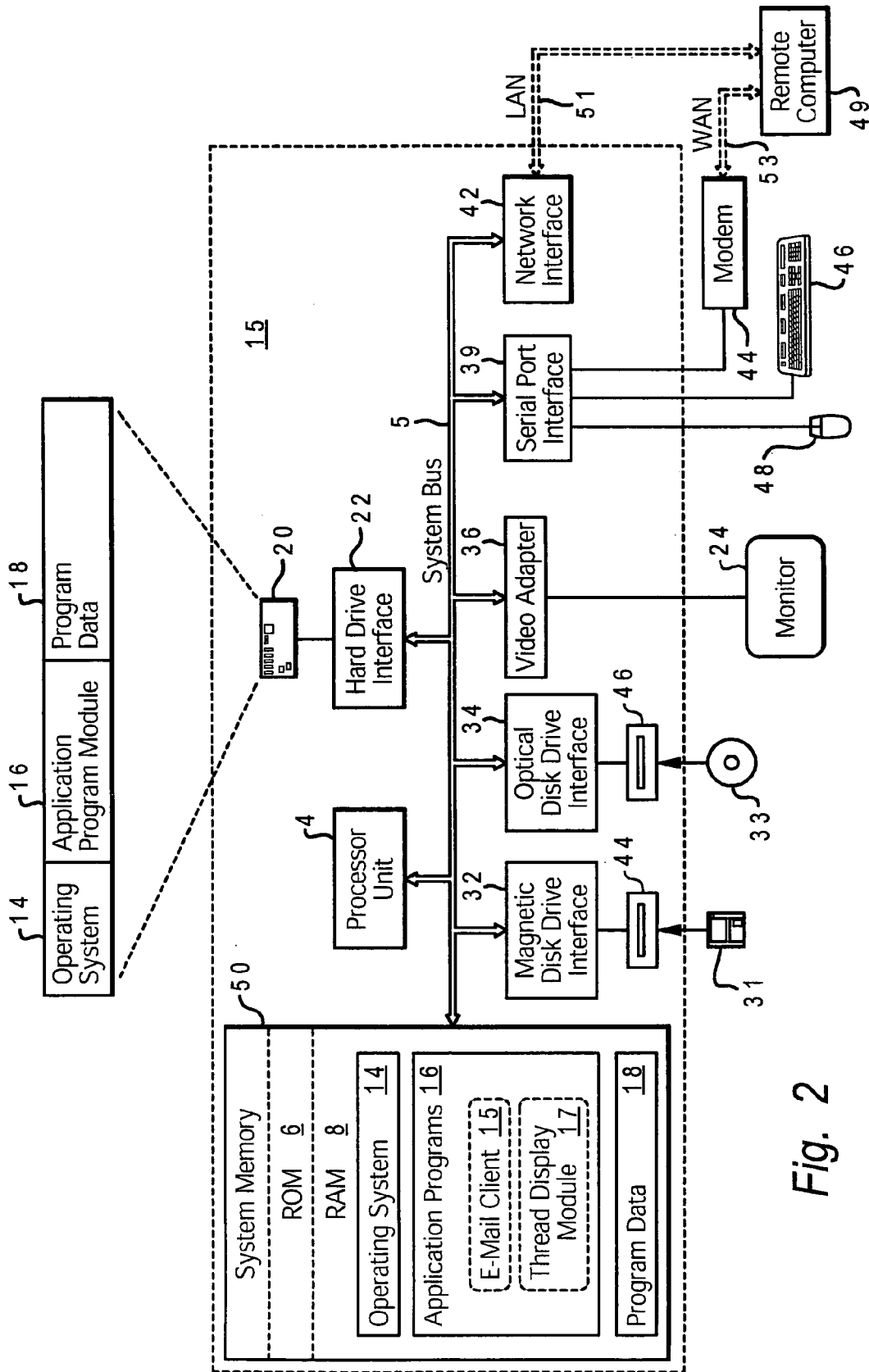


Fig. 2

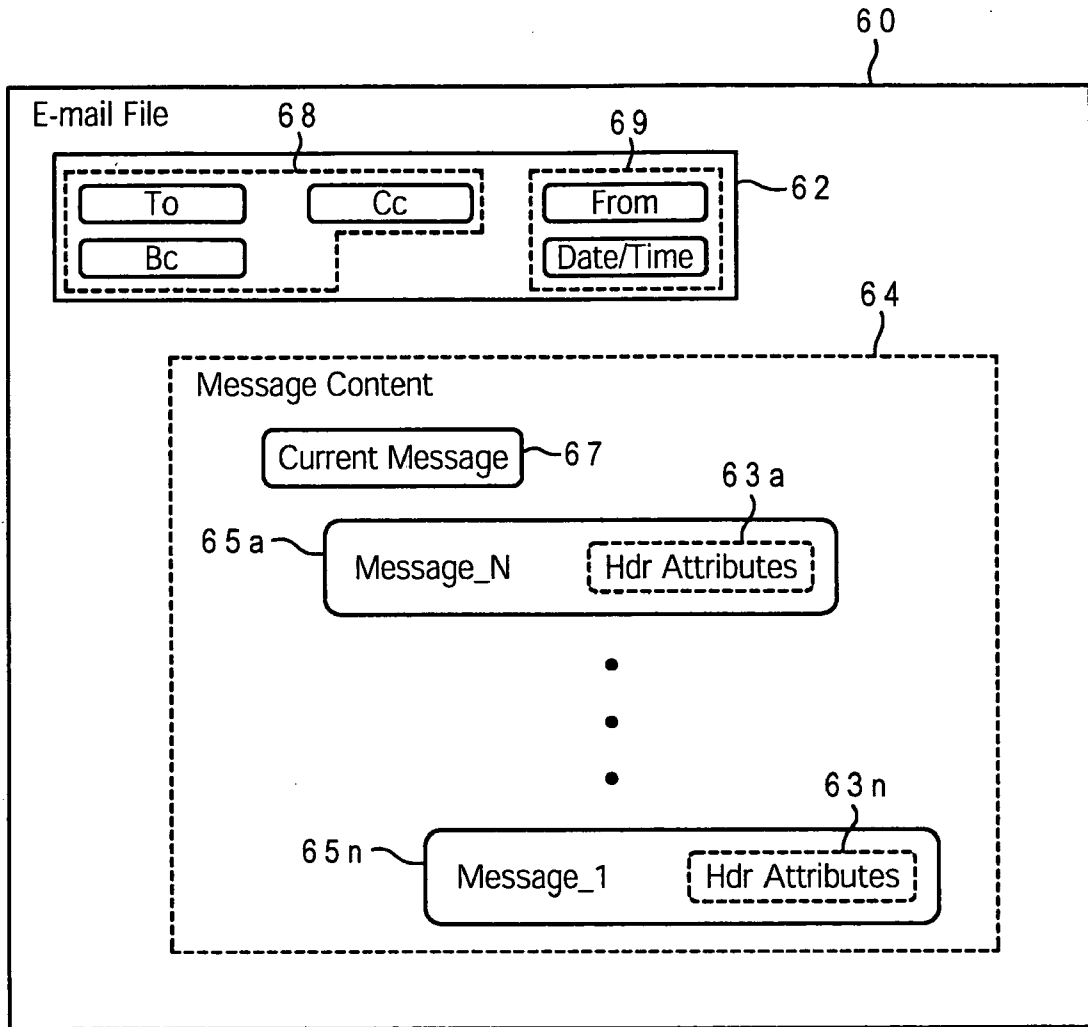


Fig. 3A

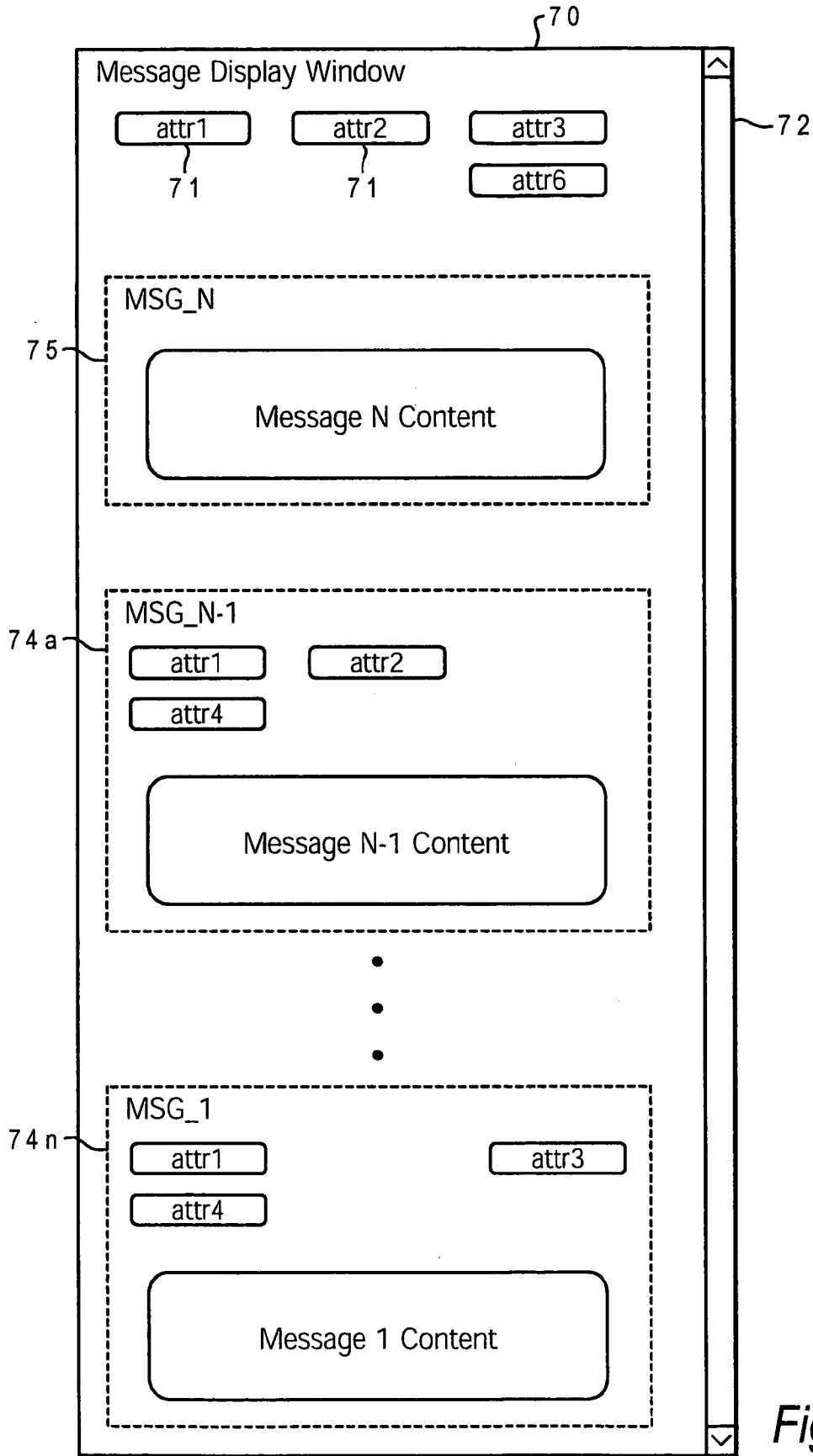


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