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#### (54) GAME TALK SERVICE BUS

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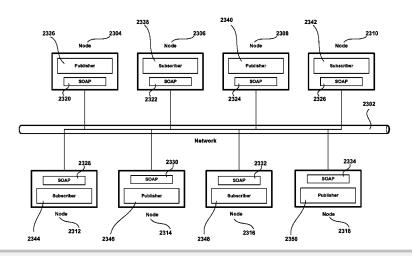
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#### (57)ABSTRACT

A service-oriented bus for distributed gaming systems allowing gaming machines, servers, workstations, mobile PCs, handheld devices and automatic telling machines to talk together over a network. The game service bus provides a publish-and-subscribe message bus over a private network within a gaming property and/or over the public Internet across several properties. The service bus framework allows participating communicating end points to publish services or subscribe to services in a simple and standardized high level fashion, thereby enabling the devices to understand one-another, thus "talk" together. The "talking together" paradigm is rather appropriate, as it emphasizes the value that the service bus brings to a complex distributed casino gaming system that may include thousands of devices manufactured by dozens of vendors. Gaming machines may talk together in a peer-fashion over the service bus, which is well suited for multiplayer gaming. The service-oriented bus allows third party ultraspecialized vendors to offer dazzling plug-in services directly on the casino floor, such as automated geo-localized logistic support and other geo-localized services.

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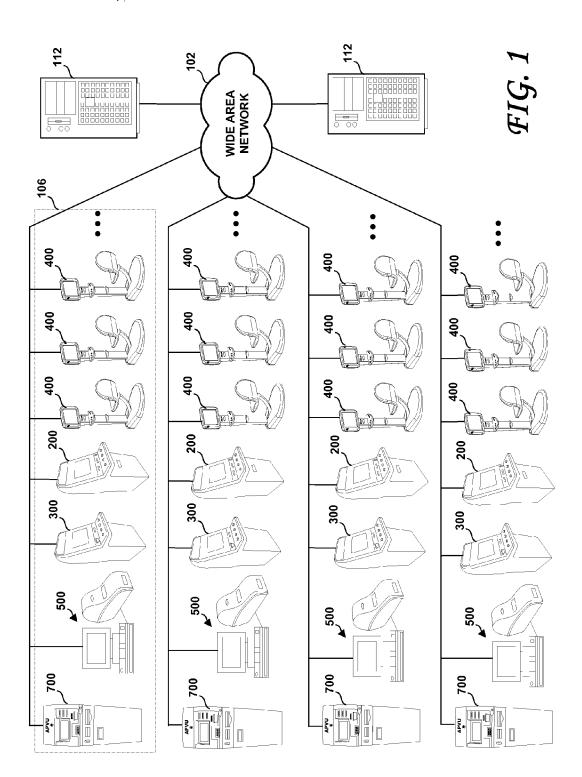
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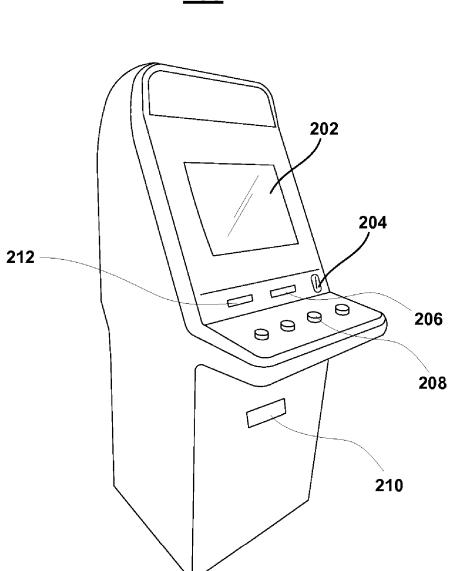
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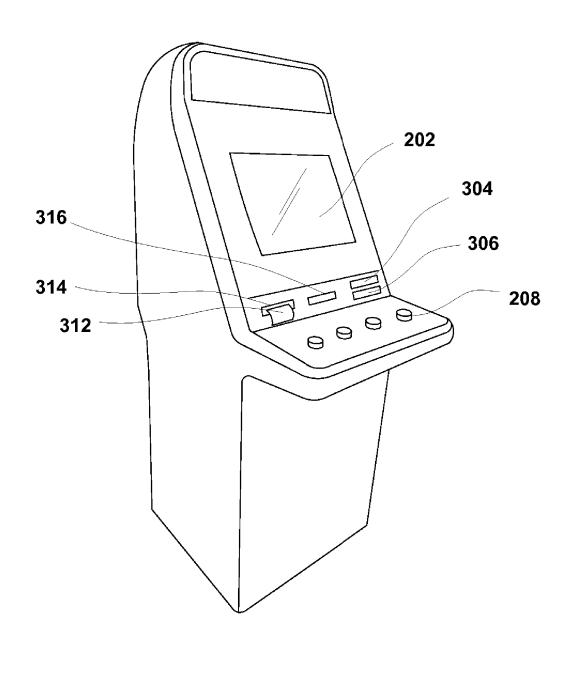




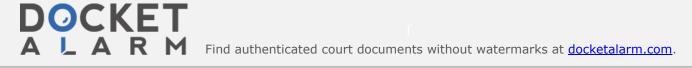
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# *FIG. 3*



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