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(54) **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOCATING AND CORRECTING SOUND OVERLOAD**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The invention describes a graphical method for detecting and adjusting audio overload conditions. The graphical user interface provides a user complete playback control of several audio tracks, detection of overload conditions such as audio clipping, and graphical methods to correct the overload conditions. The graphical interface provides drag handles which the user can use to adjust the various characteristics of an audio file. The characteristics, such as amplitude and temp, may be adjusted as a function of time.

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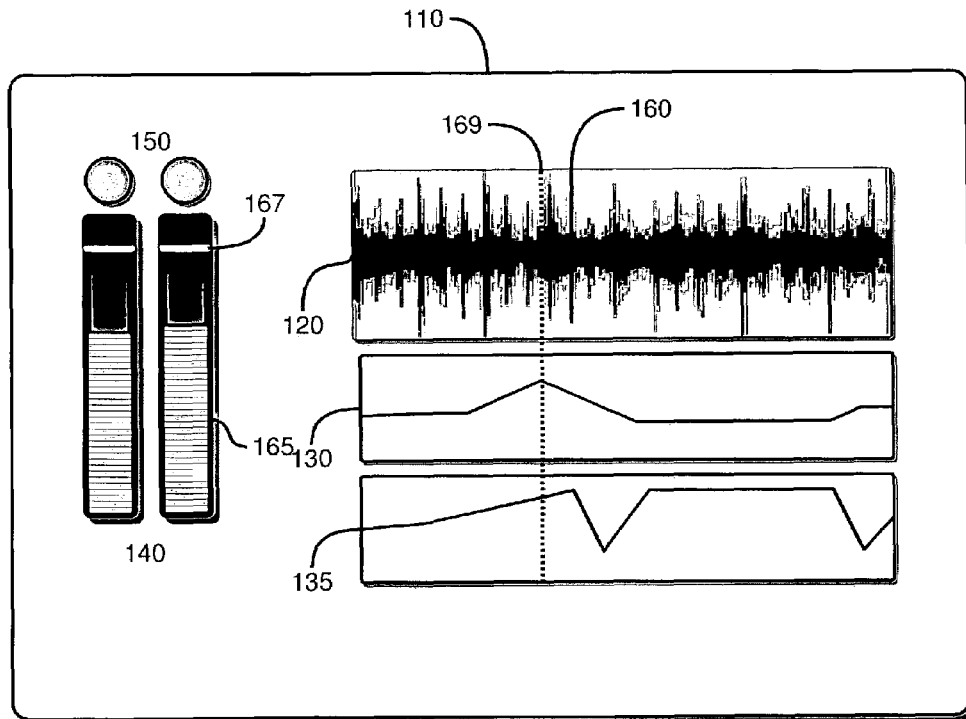


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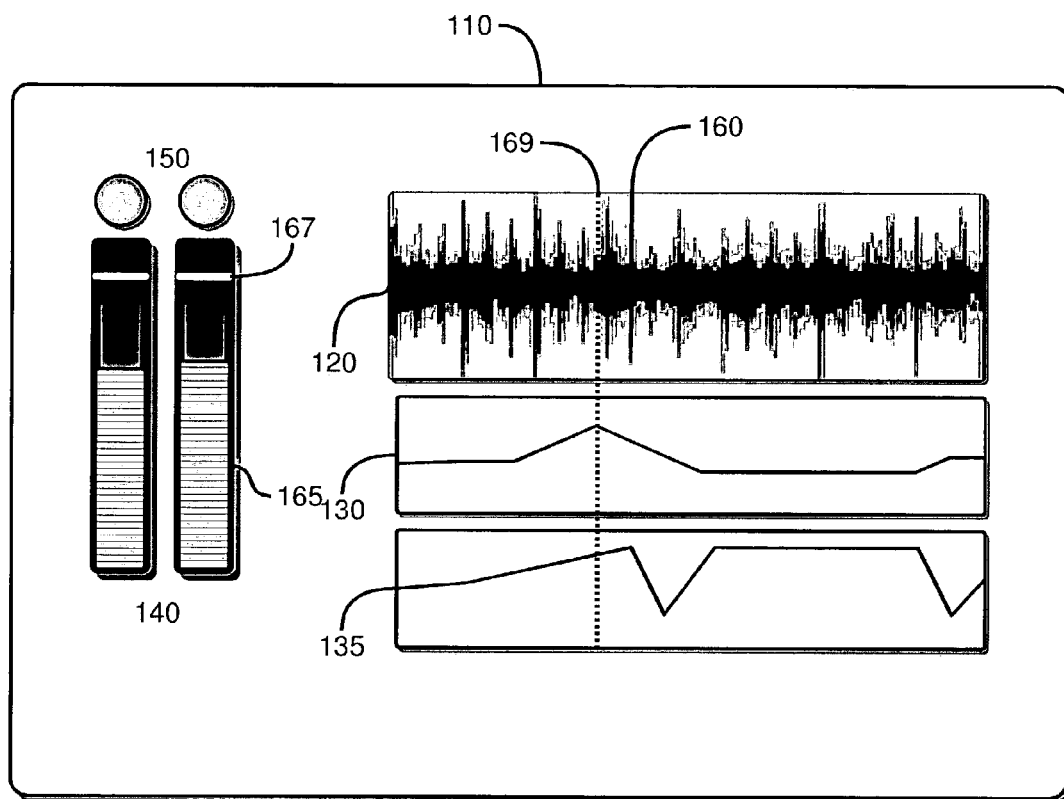


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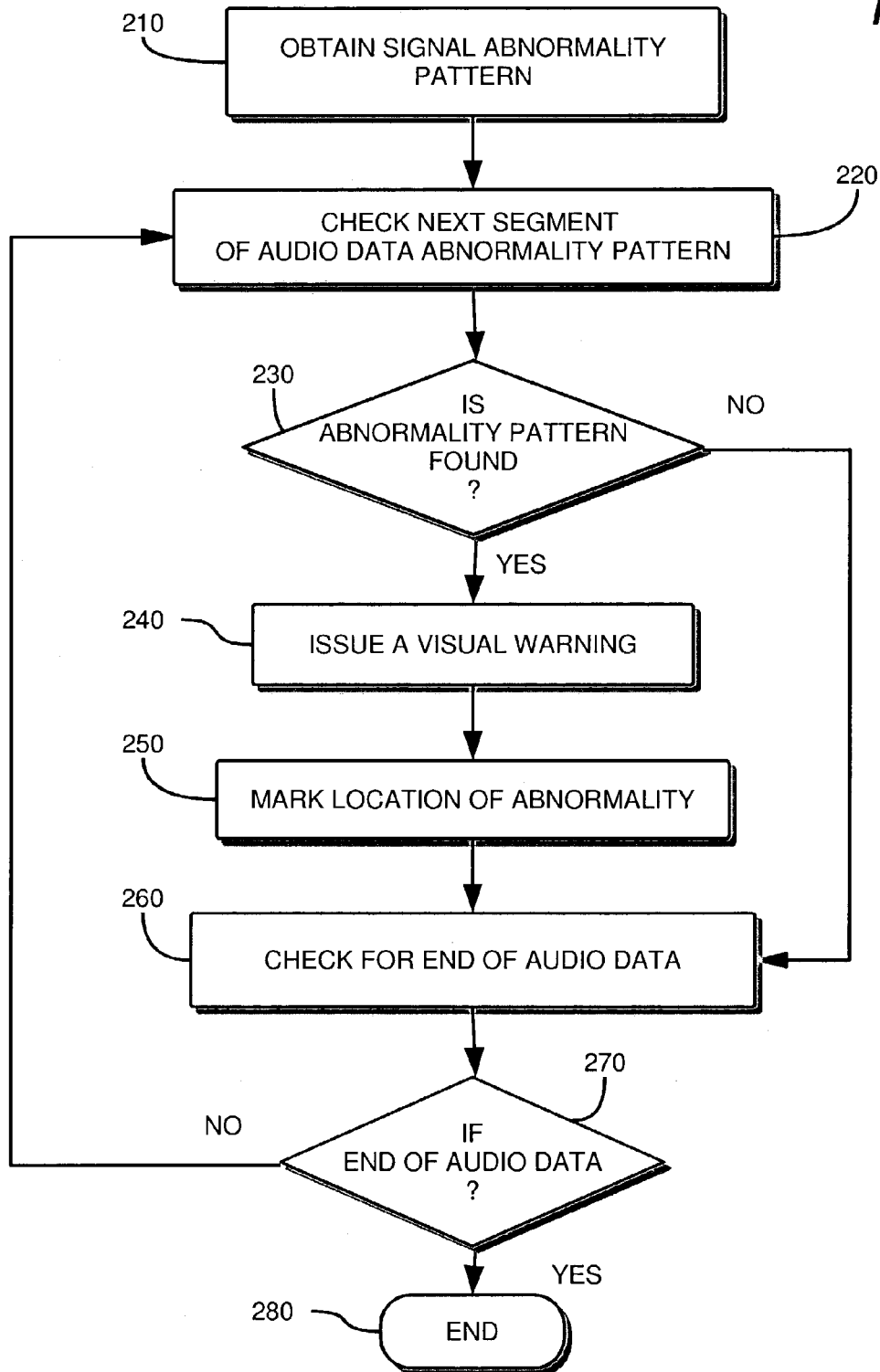


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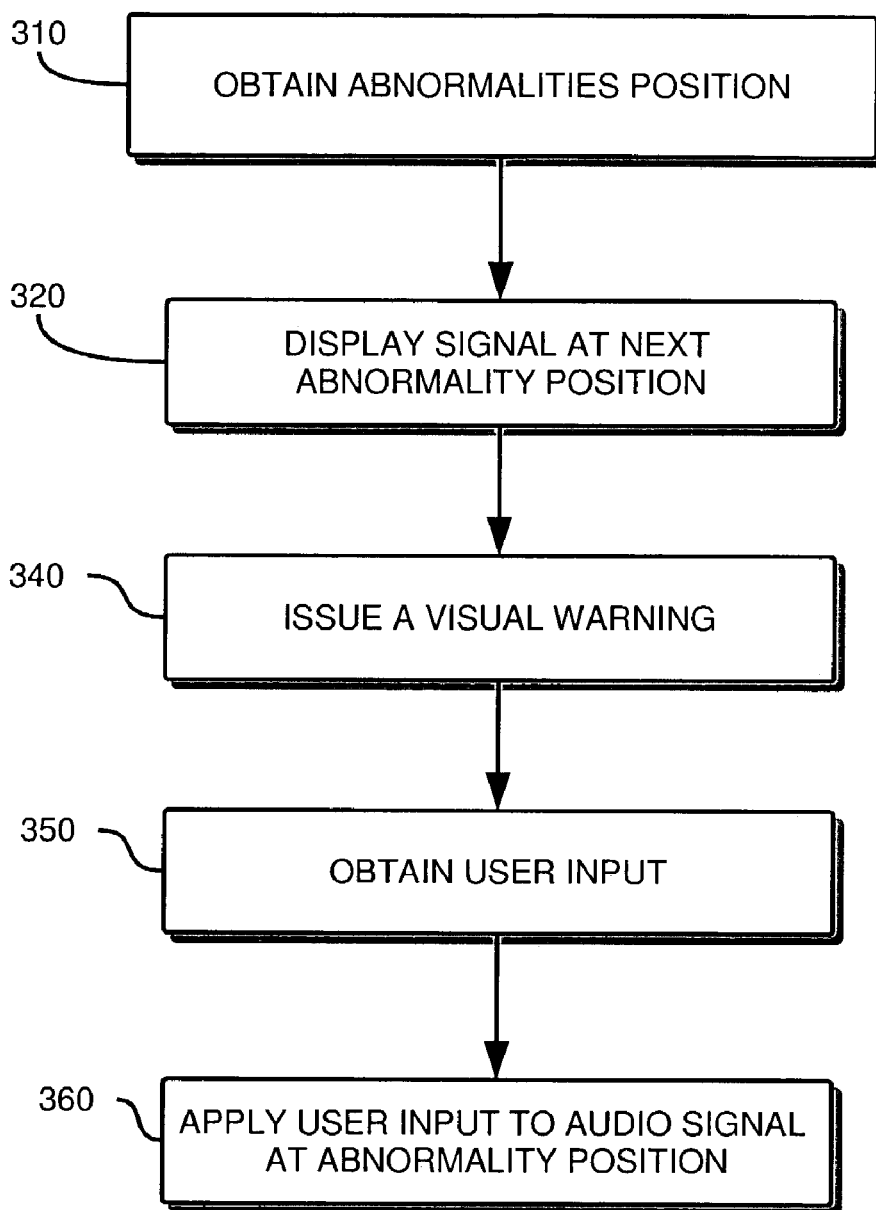
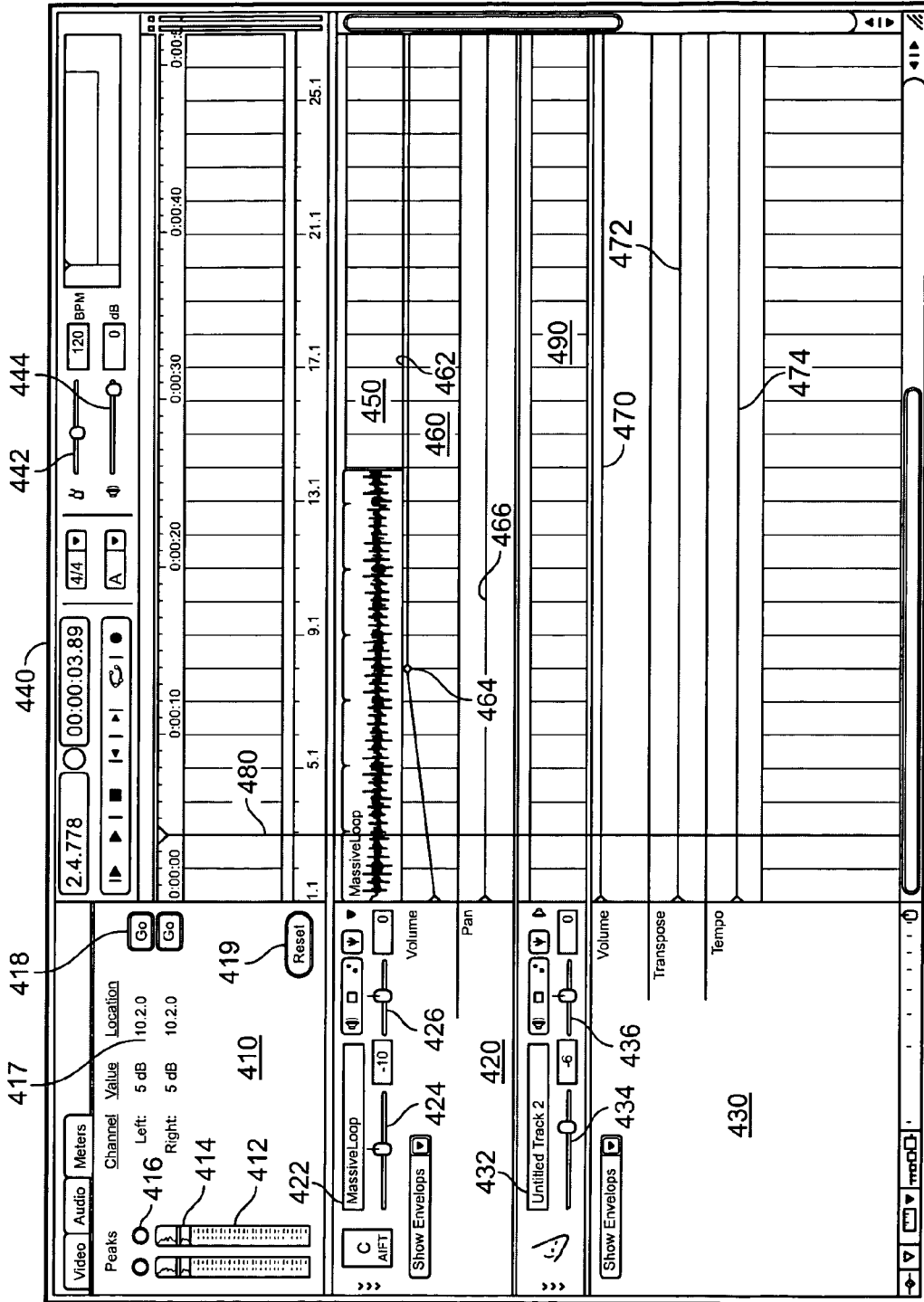


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