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(54) **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR A MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE TO CONTROL APPLIANCES**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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An appliance control system of the present invention comprises an appliance and a mobile computing device configured for controlling the appliance by at least one of determining an available content for the appliance, selecting the content used by the appliance, and applying user preferences to the appliance.

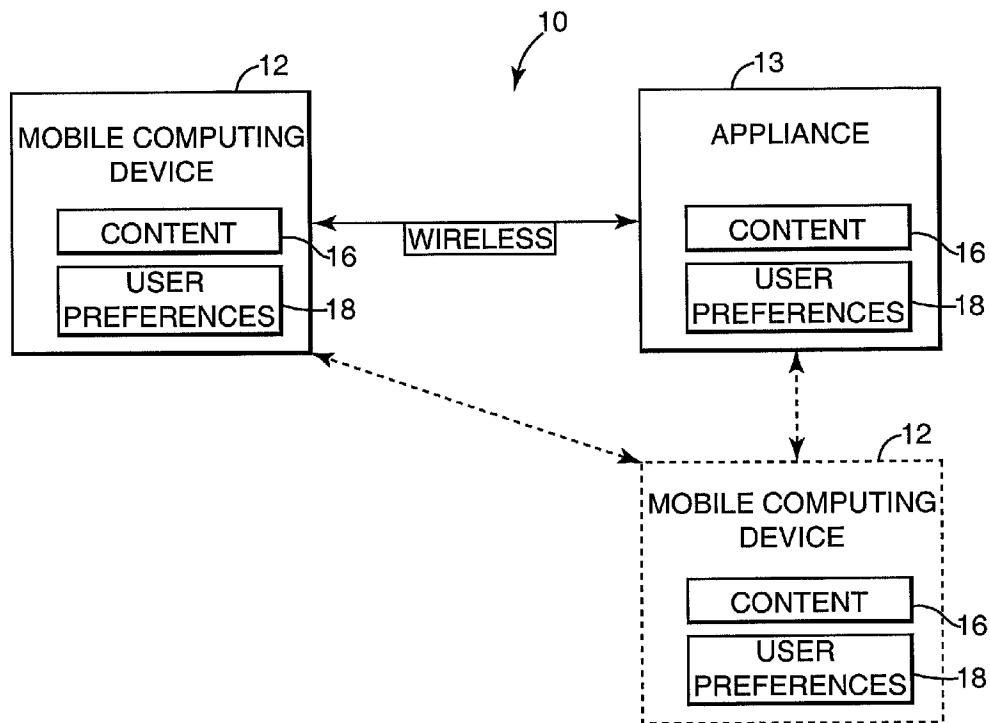
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A method of controlling an appliance of the present invention comprises establishing a wireless communication link between an appliance and a mobile computing device, and controlling the appliance with the mobile computing device includes at least one of determining an available content for the appliance, selecting the content used by the appliance, and applying user preferences to the appliance.

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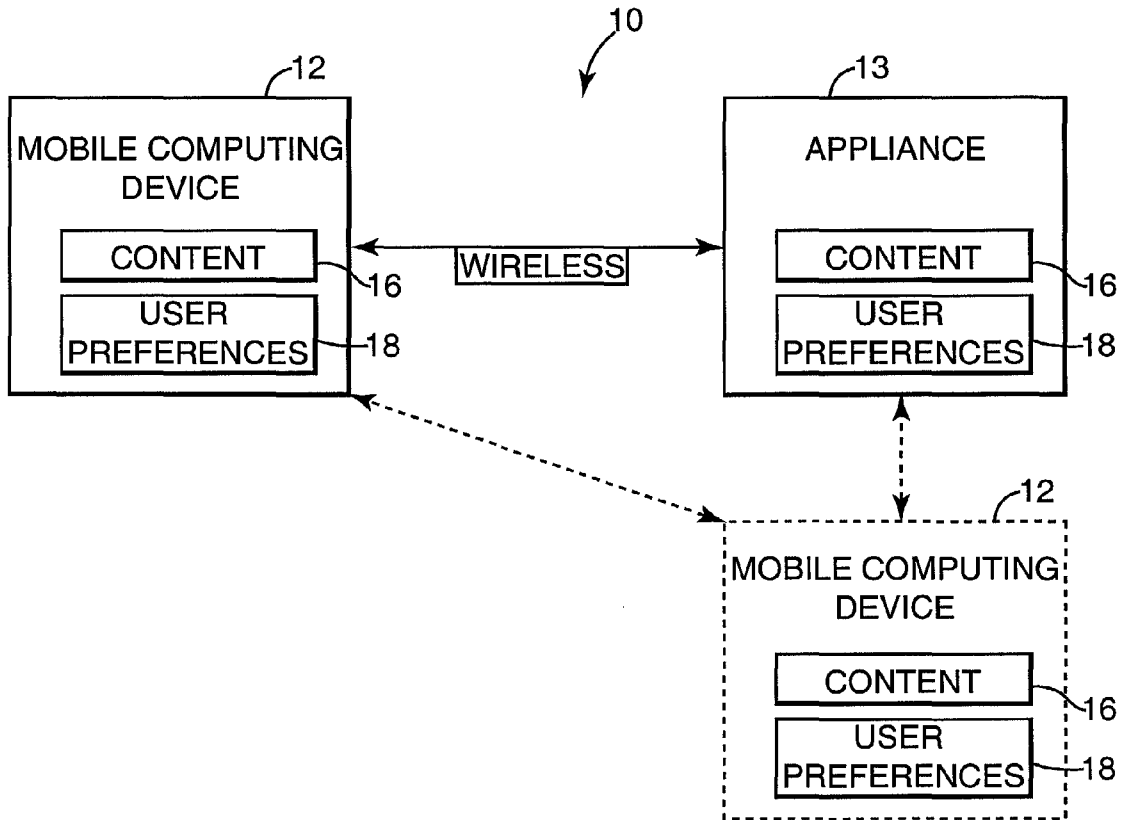


Fig. 1

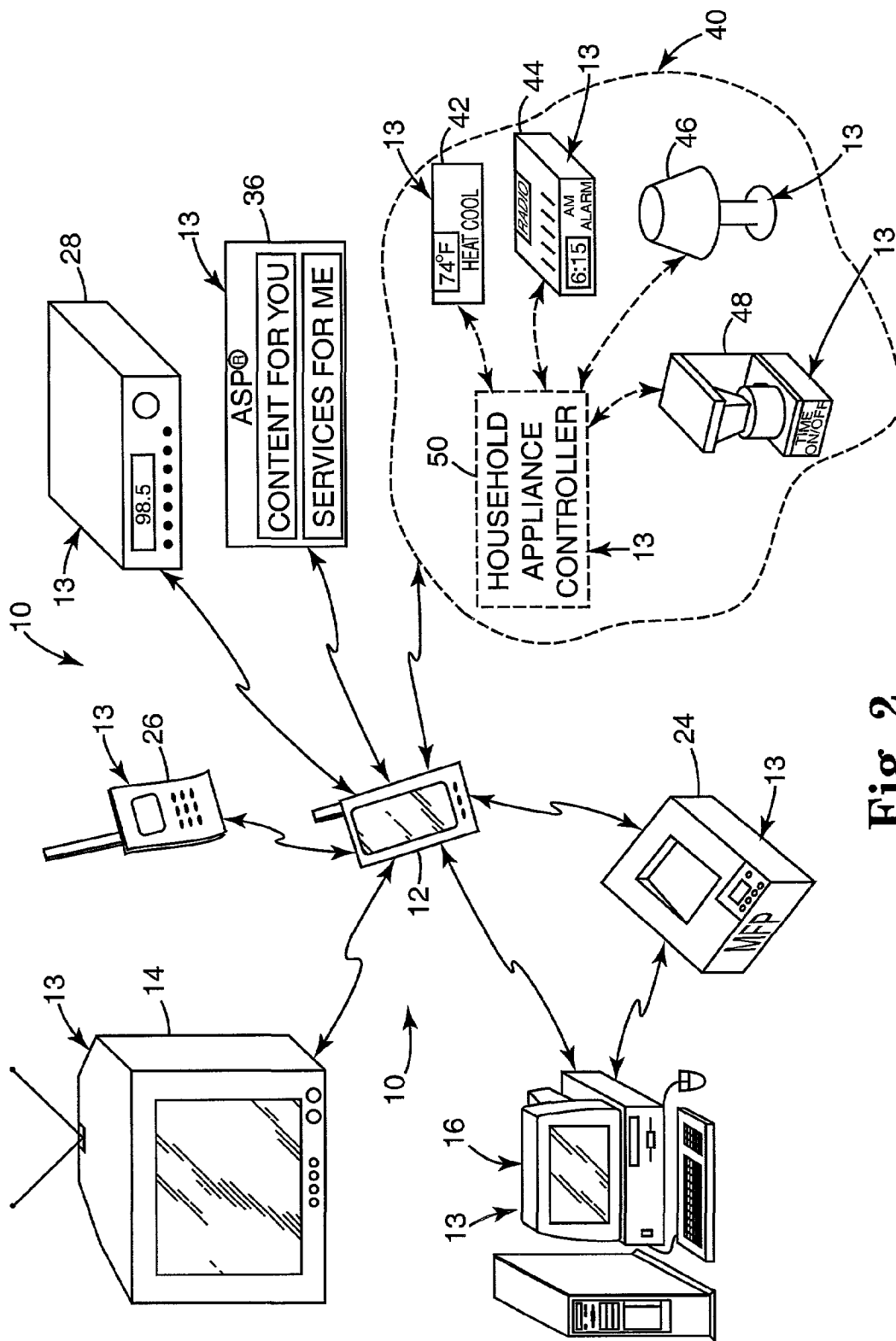


Fig. 2

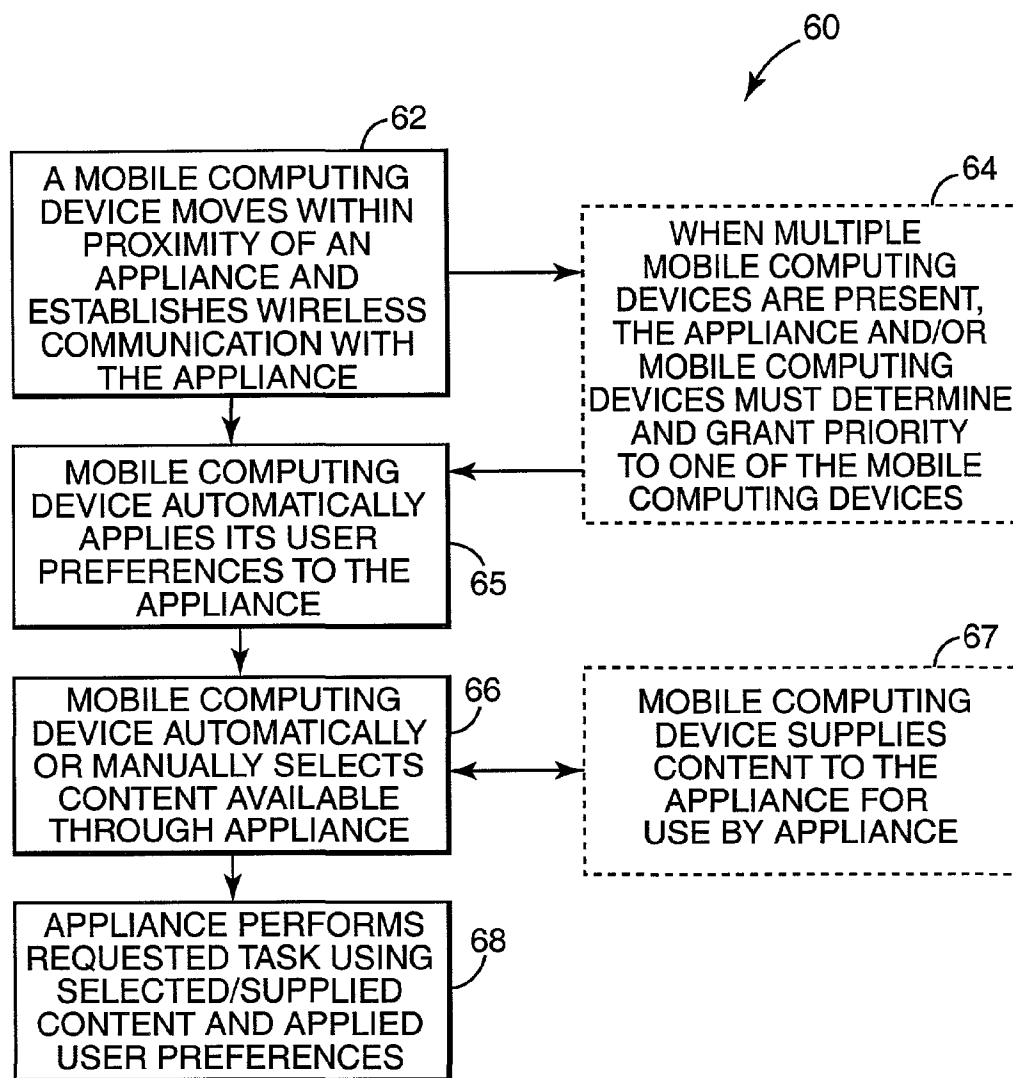


Fig. 3

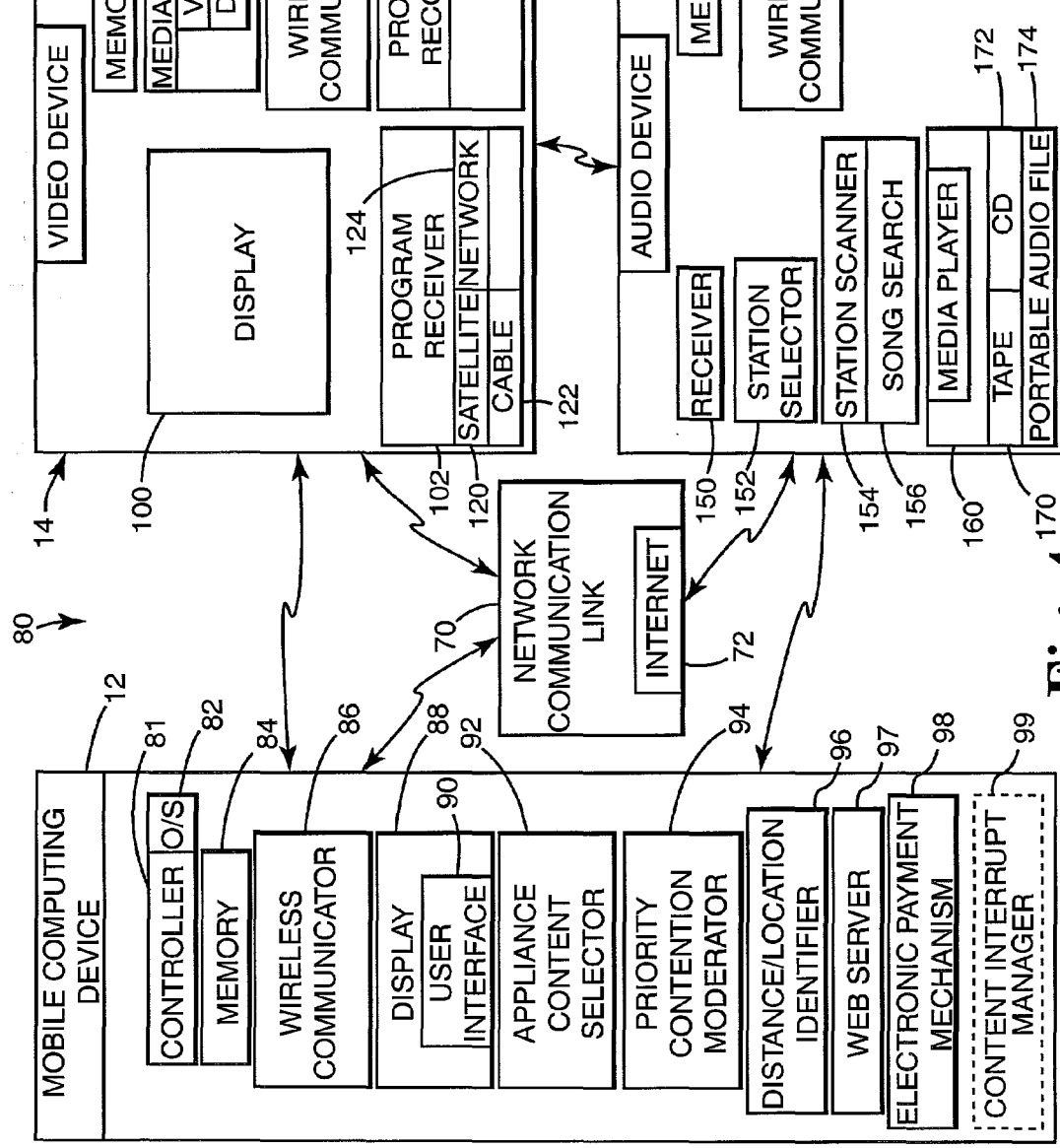


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