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(54) **AUDIO VOLUME CONTROL**

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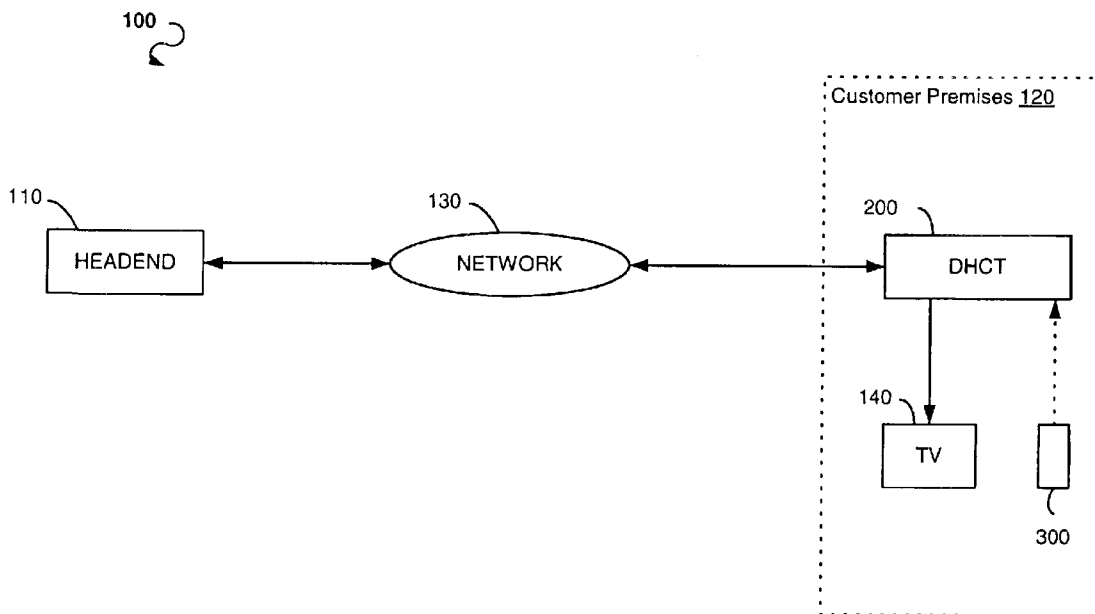
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Systems and method for controlling audio volume are provided. One method for controlling audio volume includes receiving a user input requesting a first volume-type that is associated with a first audible volume level, and responsive to receiving the user input, modifying an audio signal to achieve the first audible volume level.

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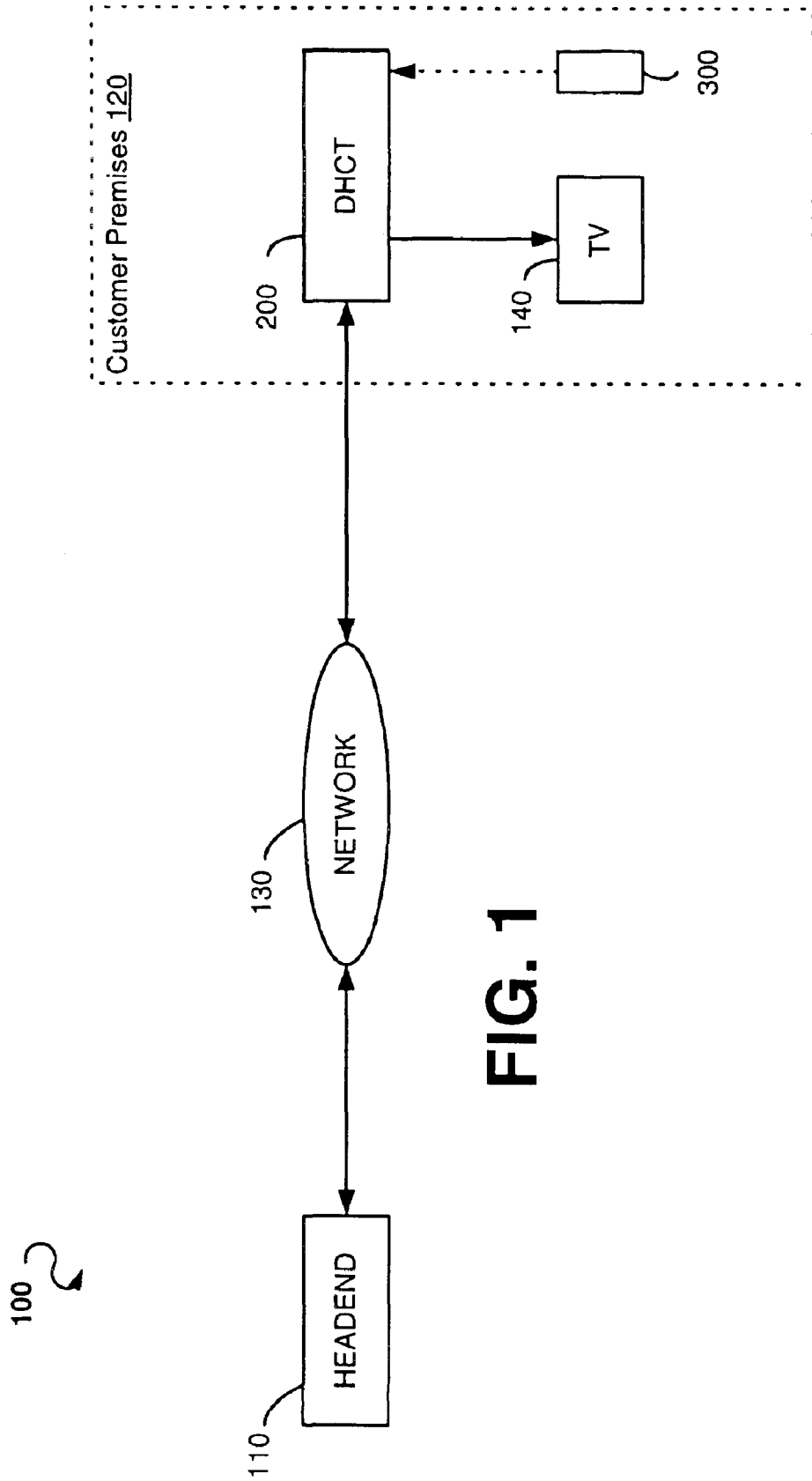


FIG. 1

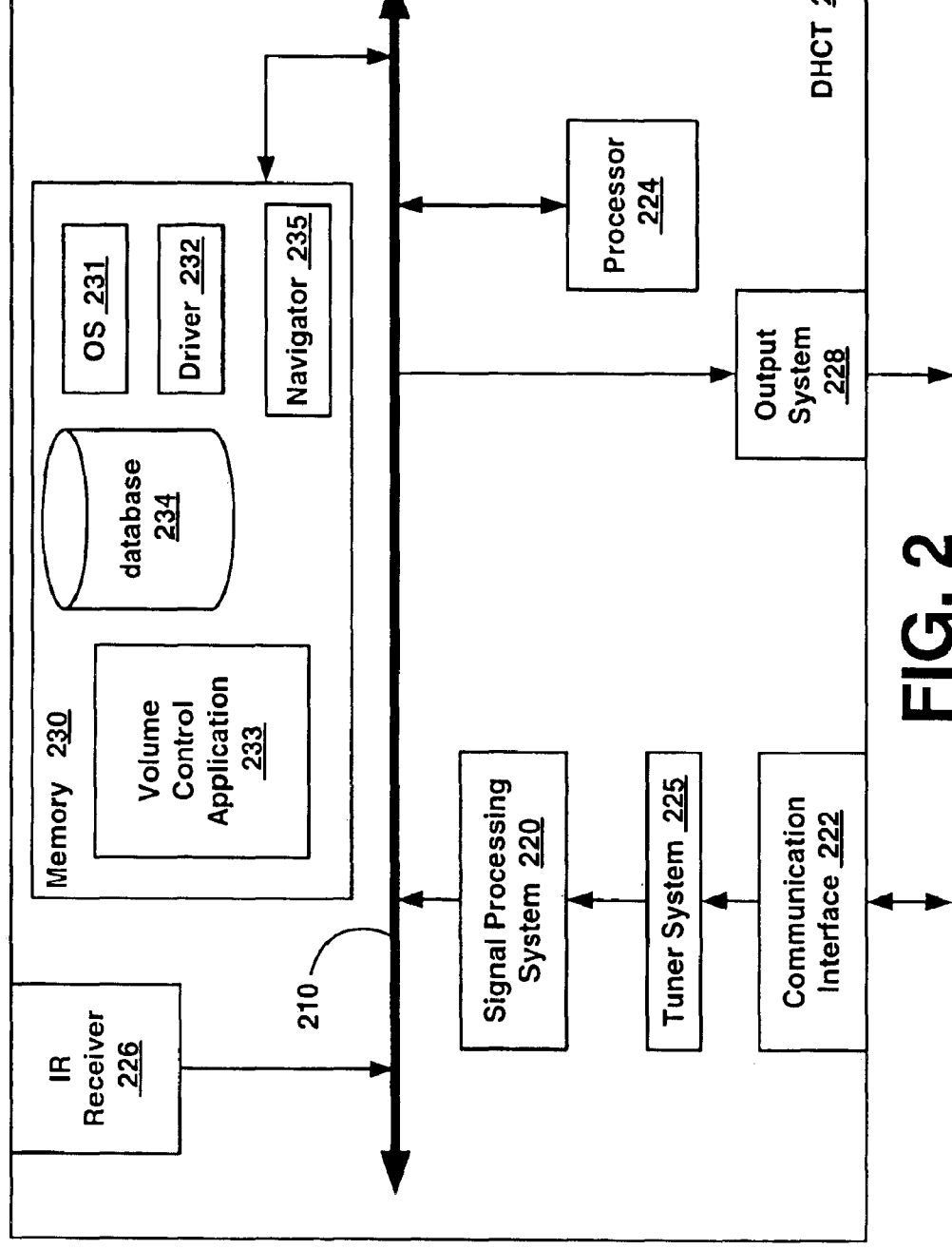


FIG. 2

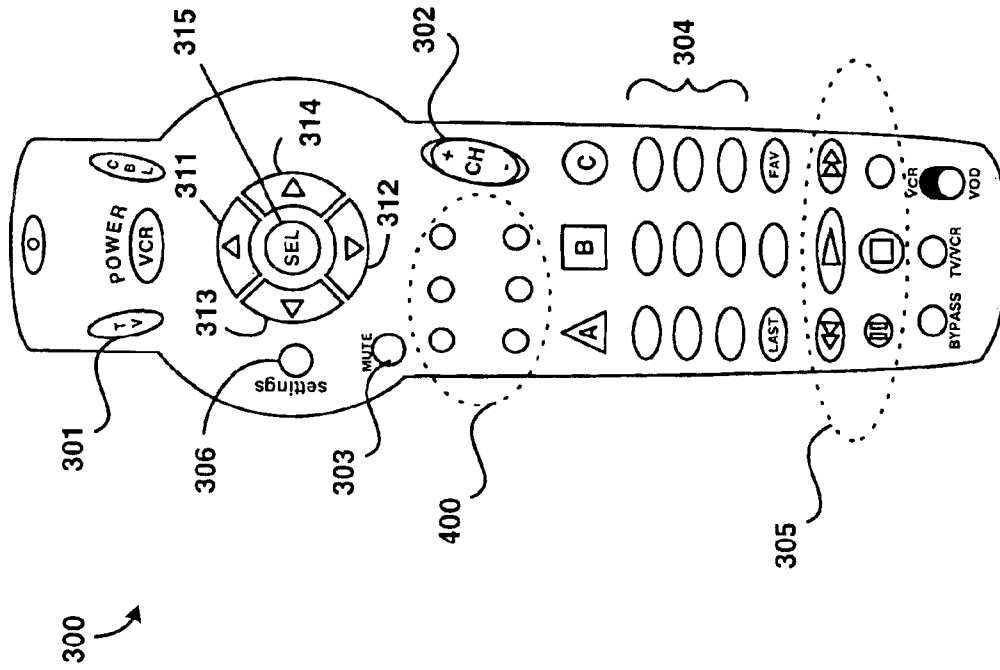


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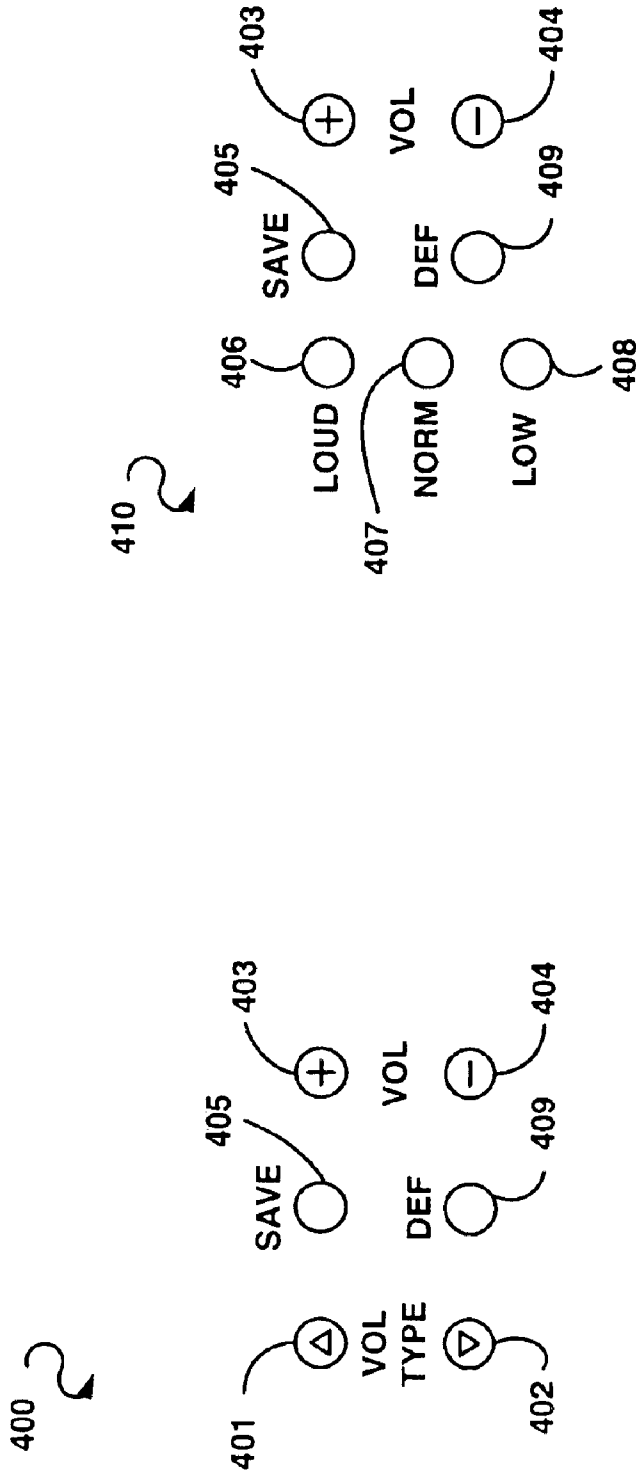


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FIG. 4A

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