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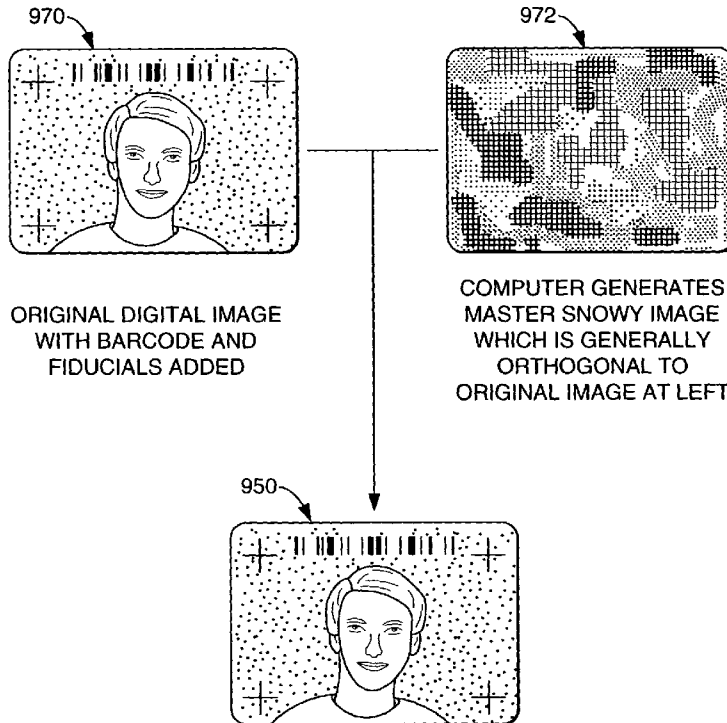
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The disclosure describes systems for creating and authenticating printed objects using authentication information. Techniques for incorporating authentication information into digital representations of objects and using the authentication information to authenticate the objects are also provided.



ORIGINAL DIGITAL IMAGE
WITH BARCODE AND
FIDUCIALS ADDED

COMPUTER GENERATES
MASTER SNOWY IMAGE
WHICH IS GENERALLY
ORTHOGONAL TO
ORIGINAL IMAGE AT LEFT

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FIG. 1

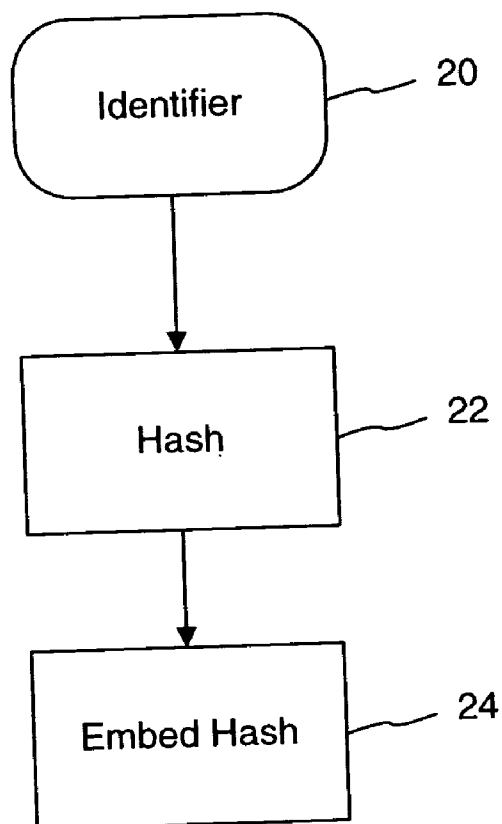


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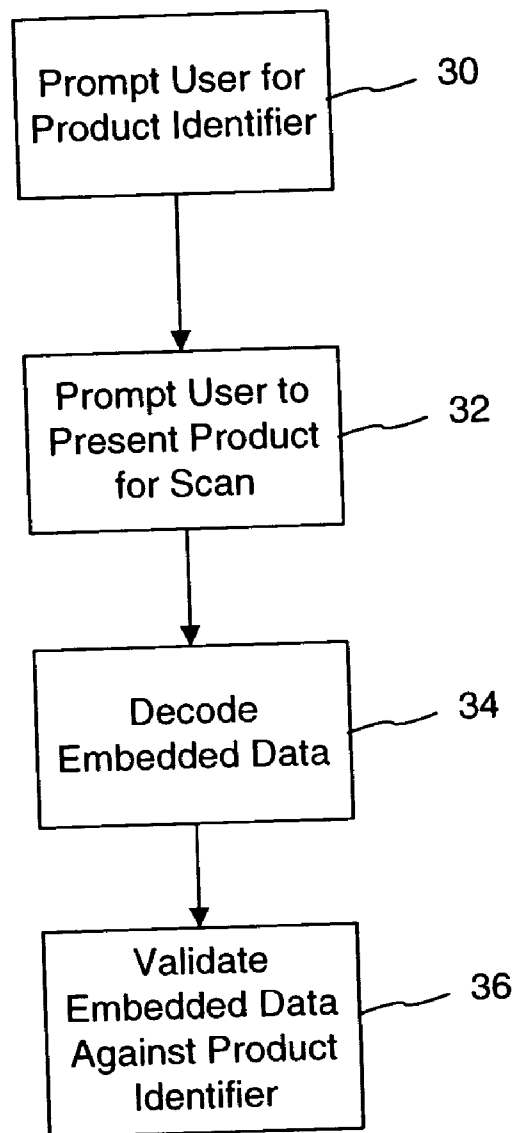
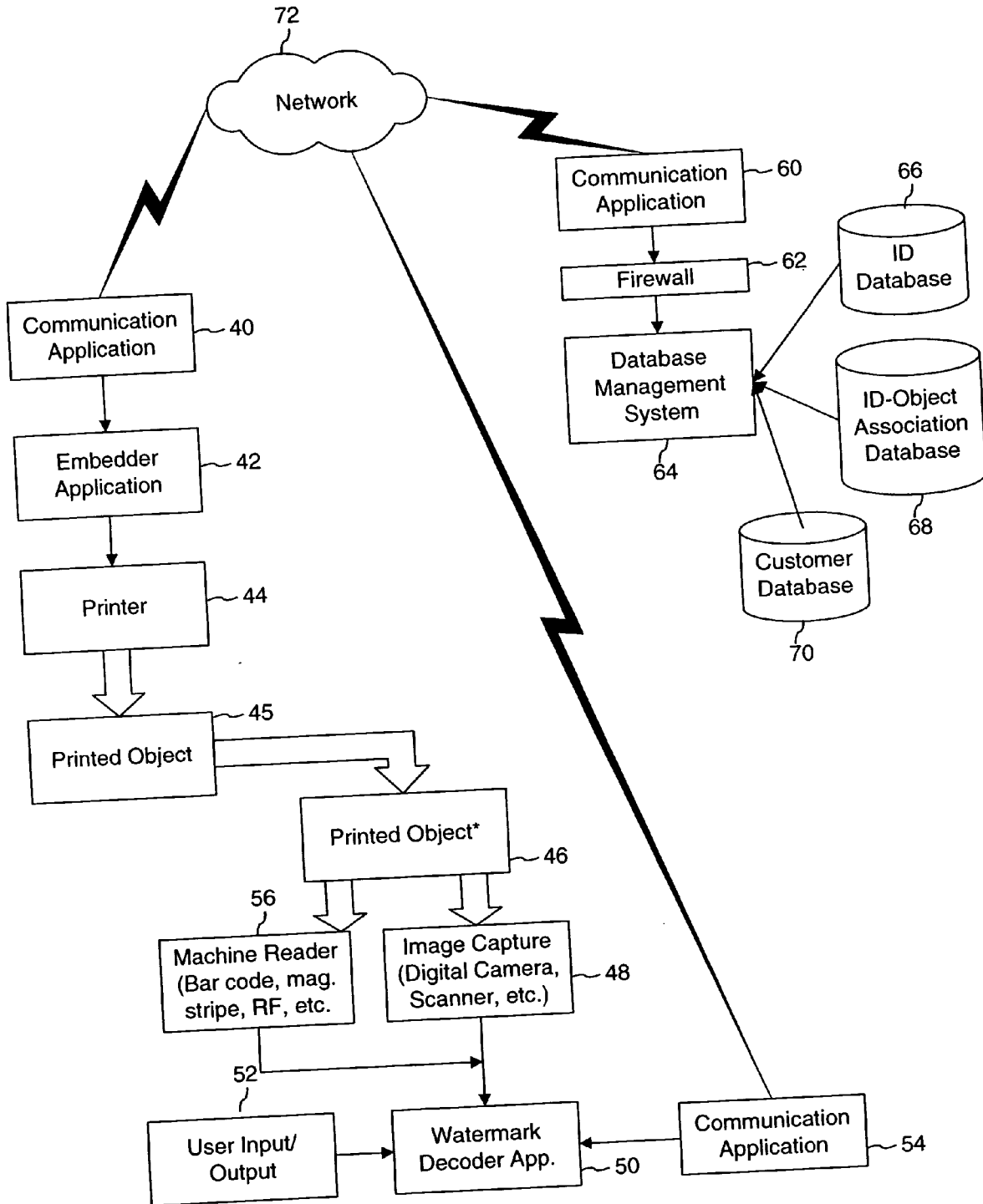


FIG. 3



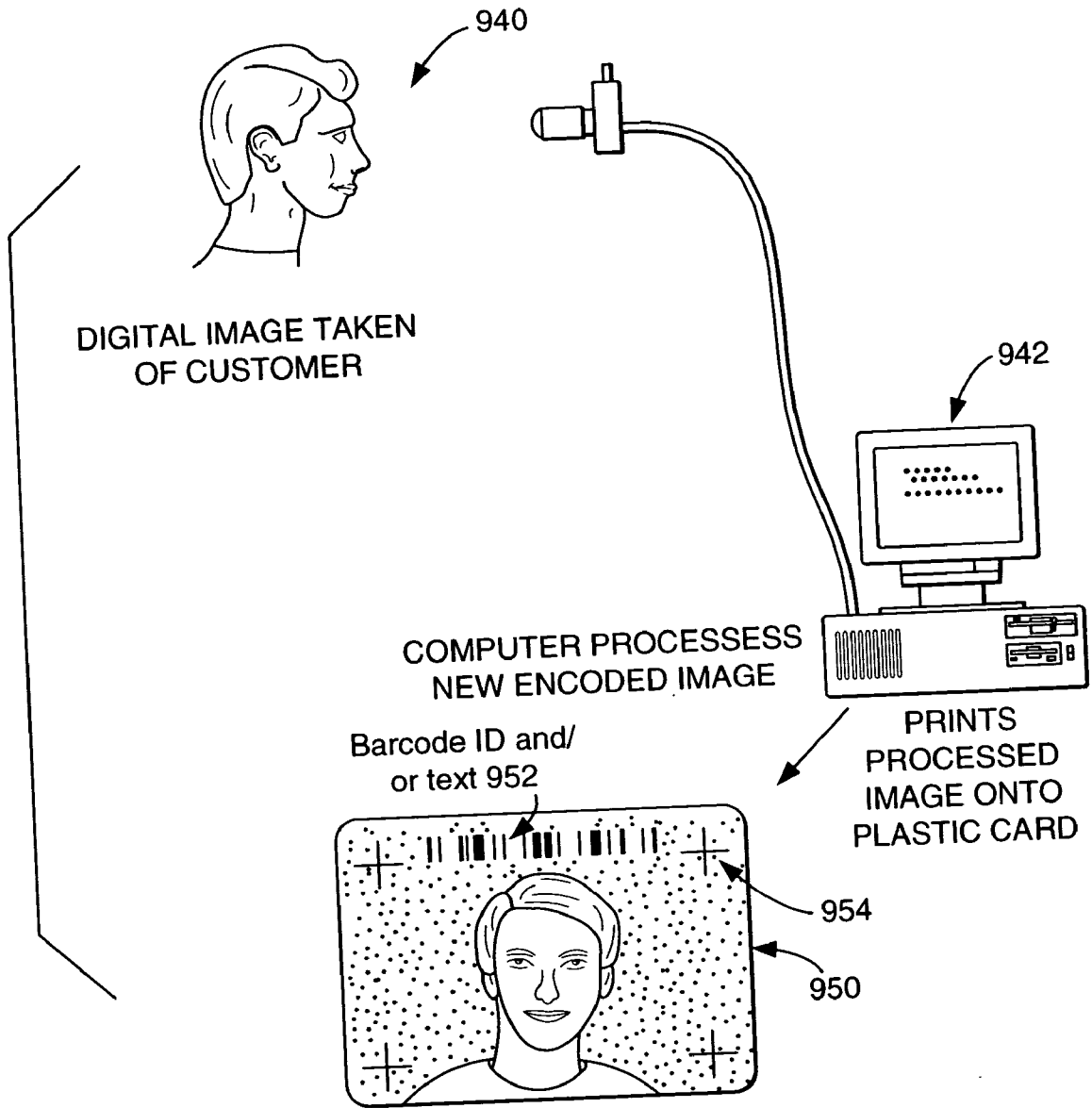


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