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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A communication application server is provided with a unified framework for call control and media control. The framework supports a unified API having class objects and functions conforming to a telephony object model. The class objects are invoked and manipulated by a finite set of commands and an application program essentially issues a series of such commands to operate the communication application server. More particularly, an API server on the communication application server defining a messaging API protocol enables an application script to pass commands remotely to the communication application server to operate it. This allows application scripts to be processed remotely by appropriate scripting engines. In this way, application scripting is decoupled from the operation of the communication application server, which only needs to focus on providing basic communication services.

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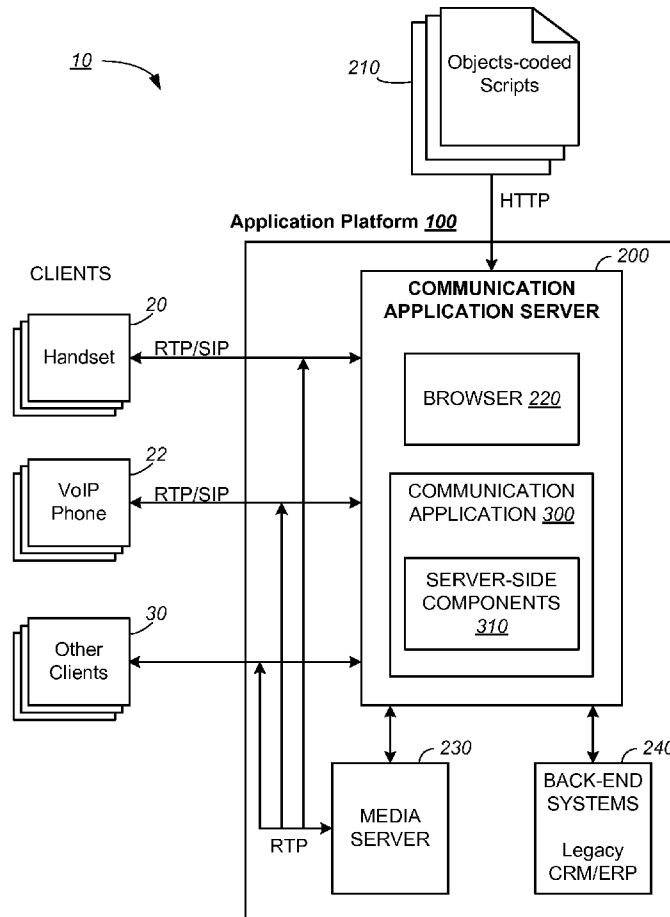
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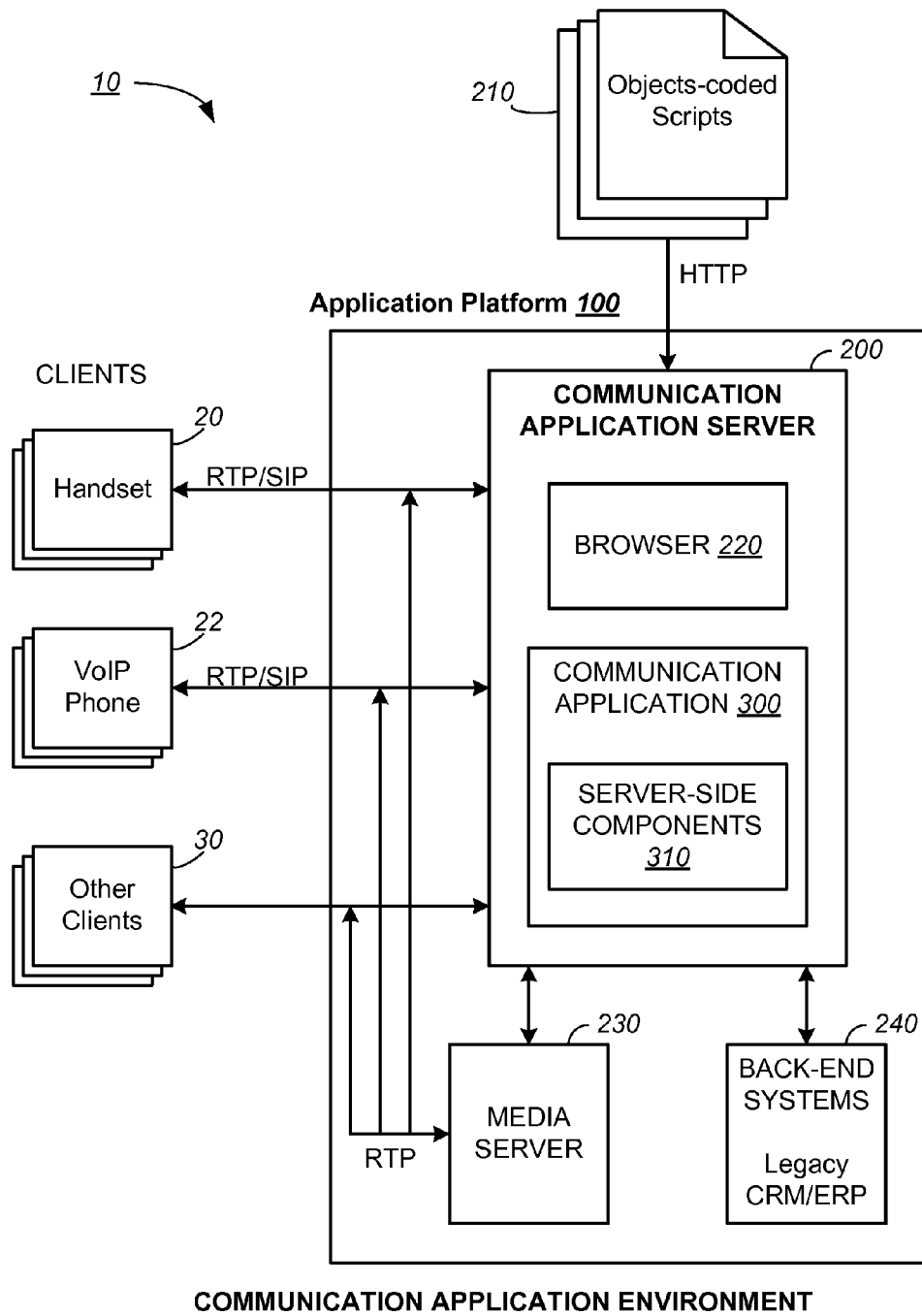
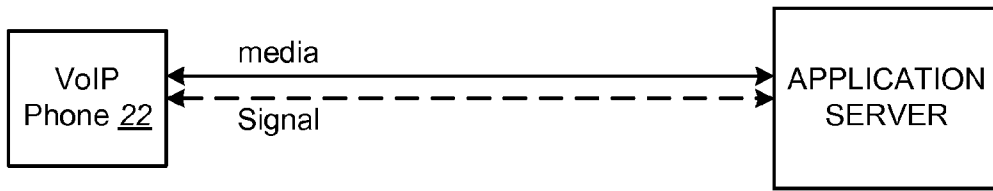
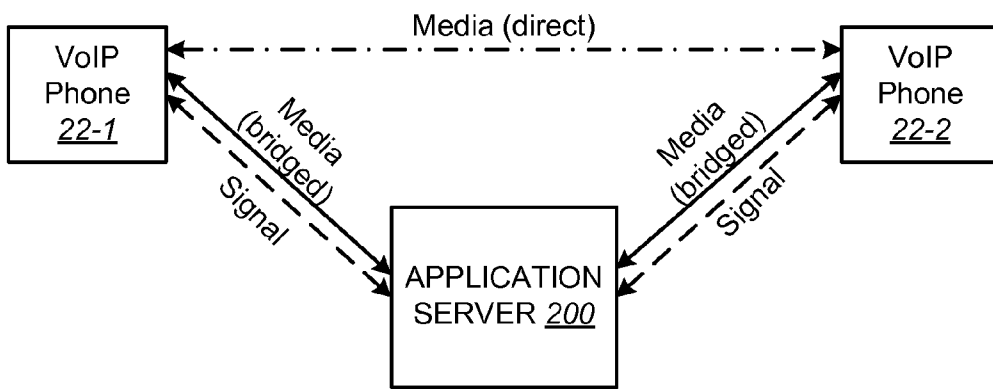


FIG. 1



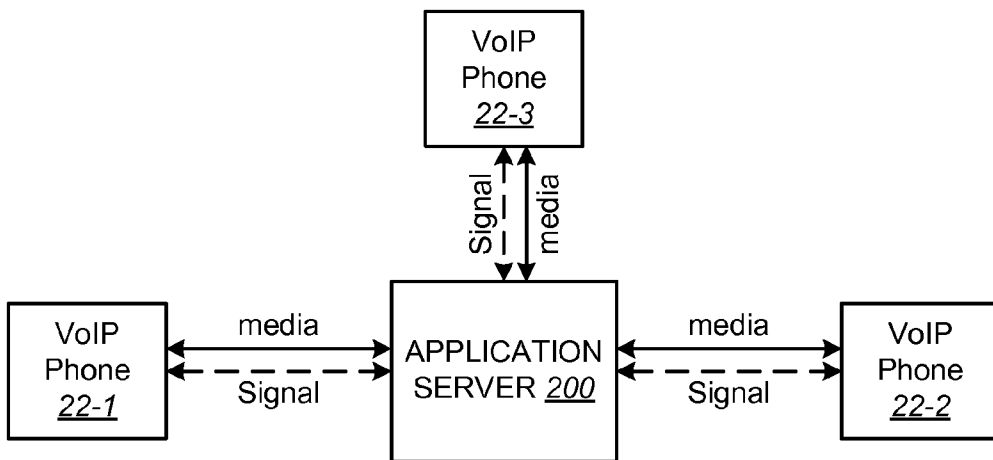
CALL Server

FIG. 2A



CALL another Endpoint

FIG. 2B



CALL Conference

FIG. 2C

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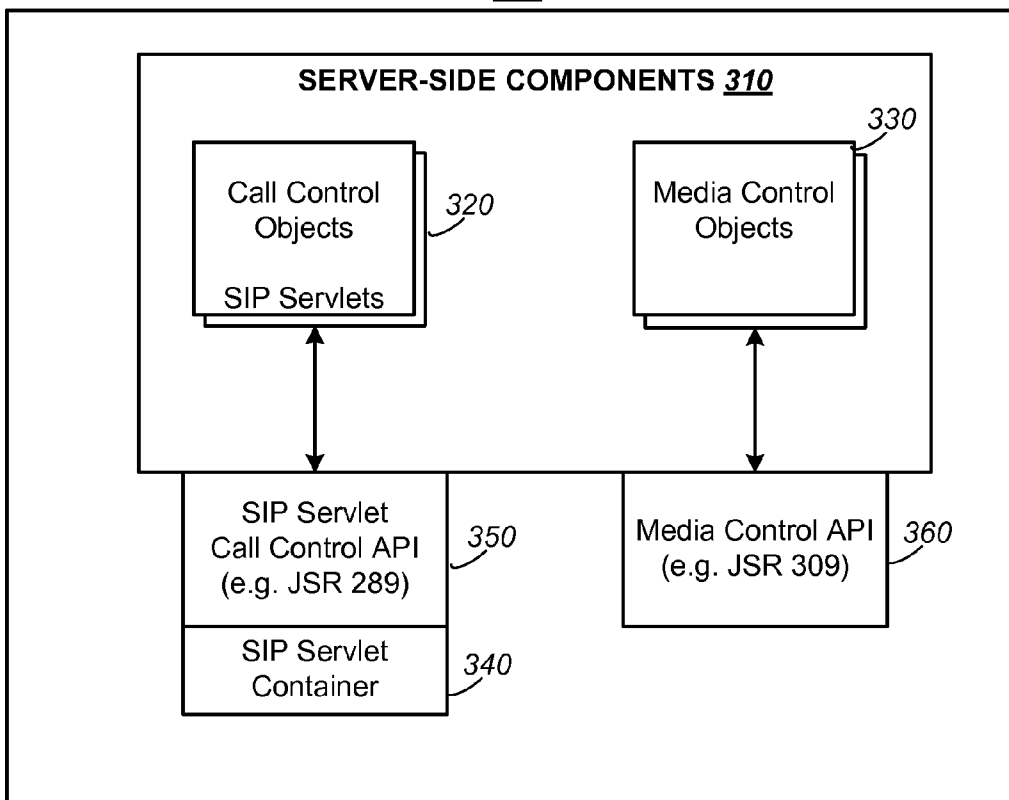


FIG. 3A (PRIOR ART)

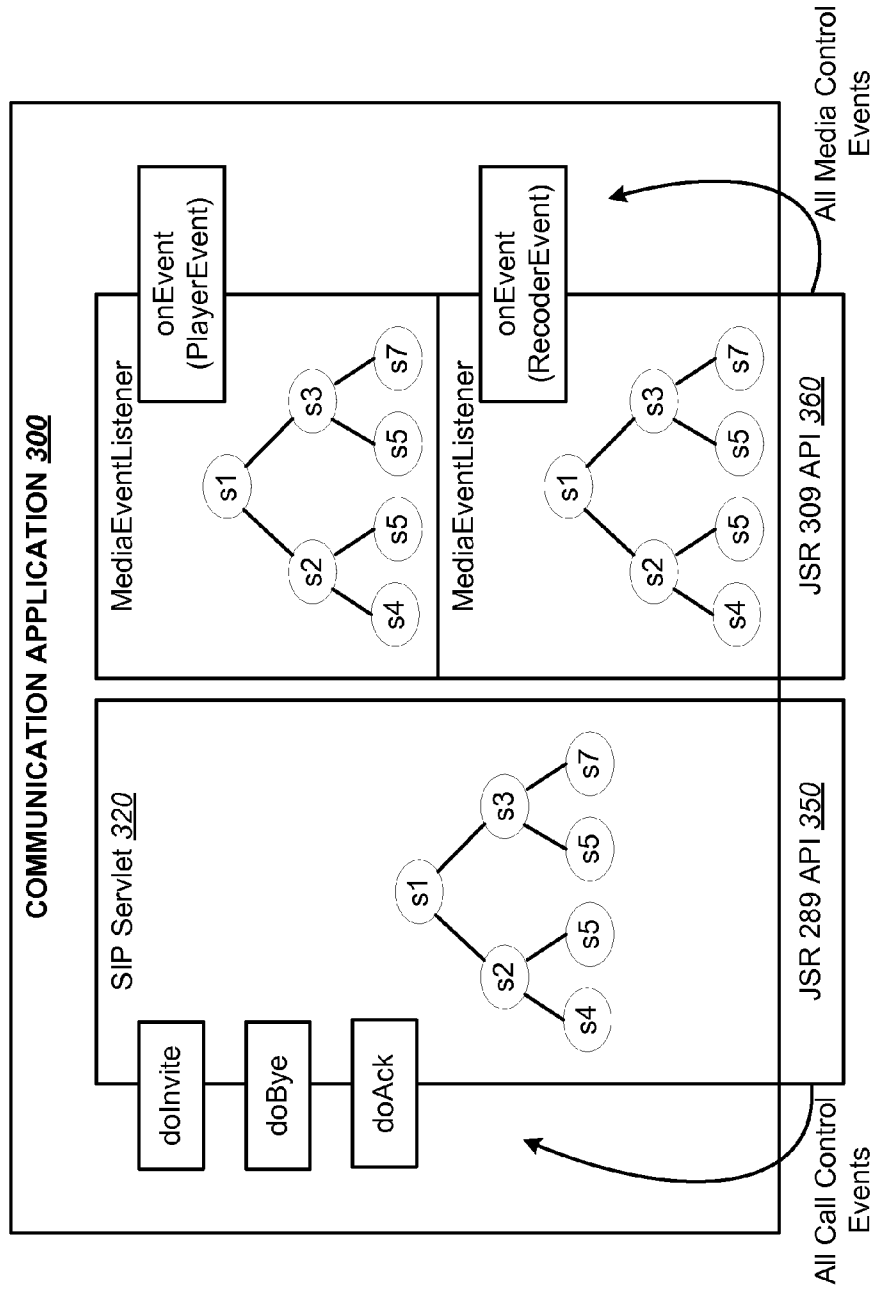


FIG. 3B (PRIOR ART)

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