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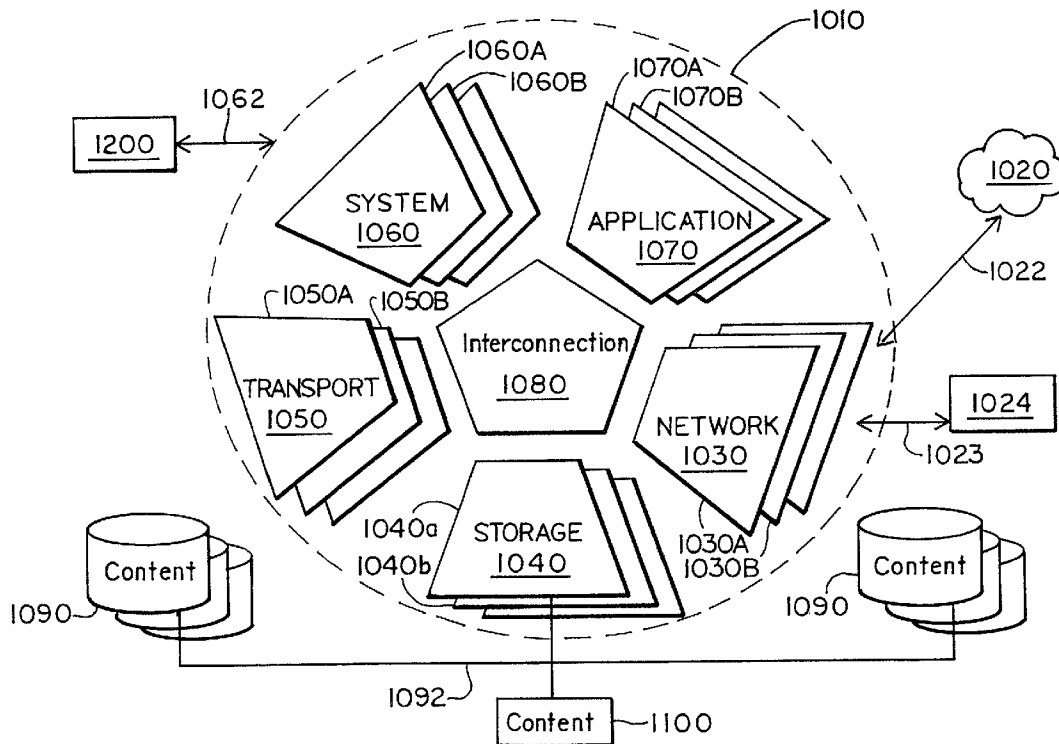
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Methods and systems for providing differentiated service that may be employed, for example, to deliver content or services in a network environment. Differentiated services that may be so delivered include both differentiated information service that may be implemented, for example, at the system and/or processing level, as well as differentiated business service that may be implemented, for example, to differentiate information exchange between different network entities such as different network provider entities, different network user entities, etc. The methods and systems may include or facilitate provisioning of system service parameters such as service level agreement ("SLA") policies and may be employed in network computing system environments to enable differentiated service provisioning, for example, in accordance with business objectives.



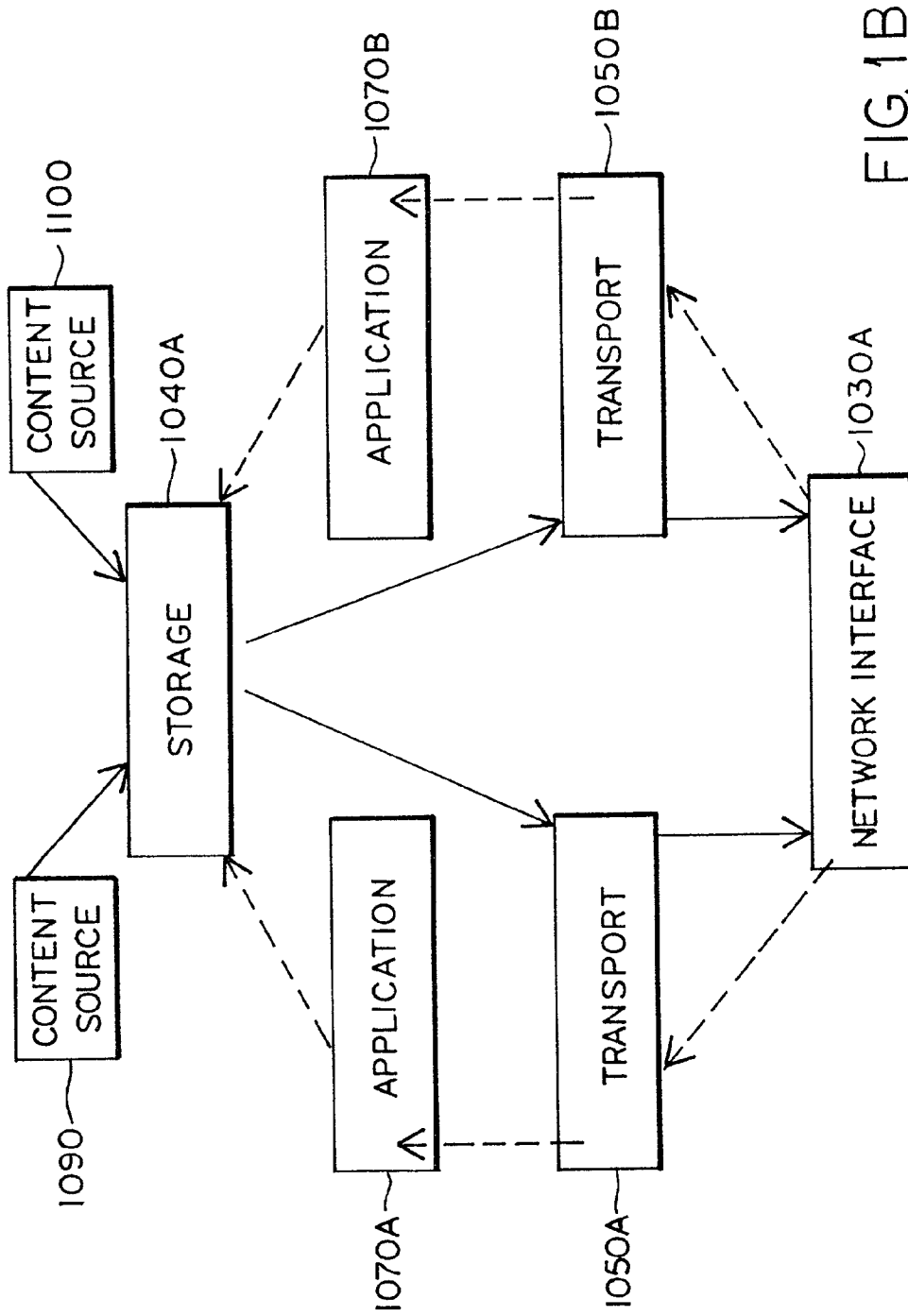


FIG. 1B

FIG. 1C FIG. 1C^I FIG. 1C^{II}

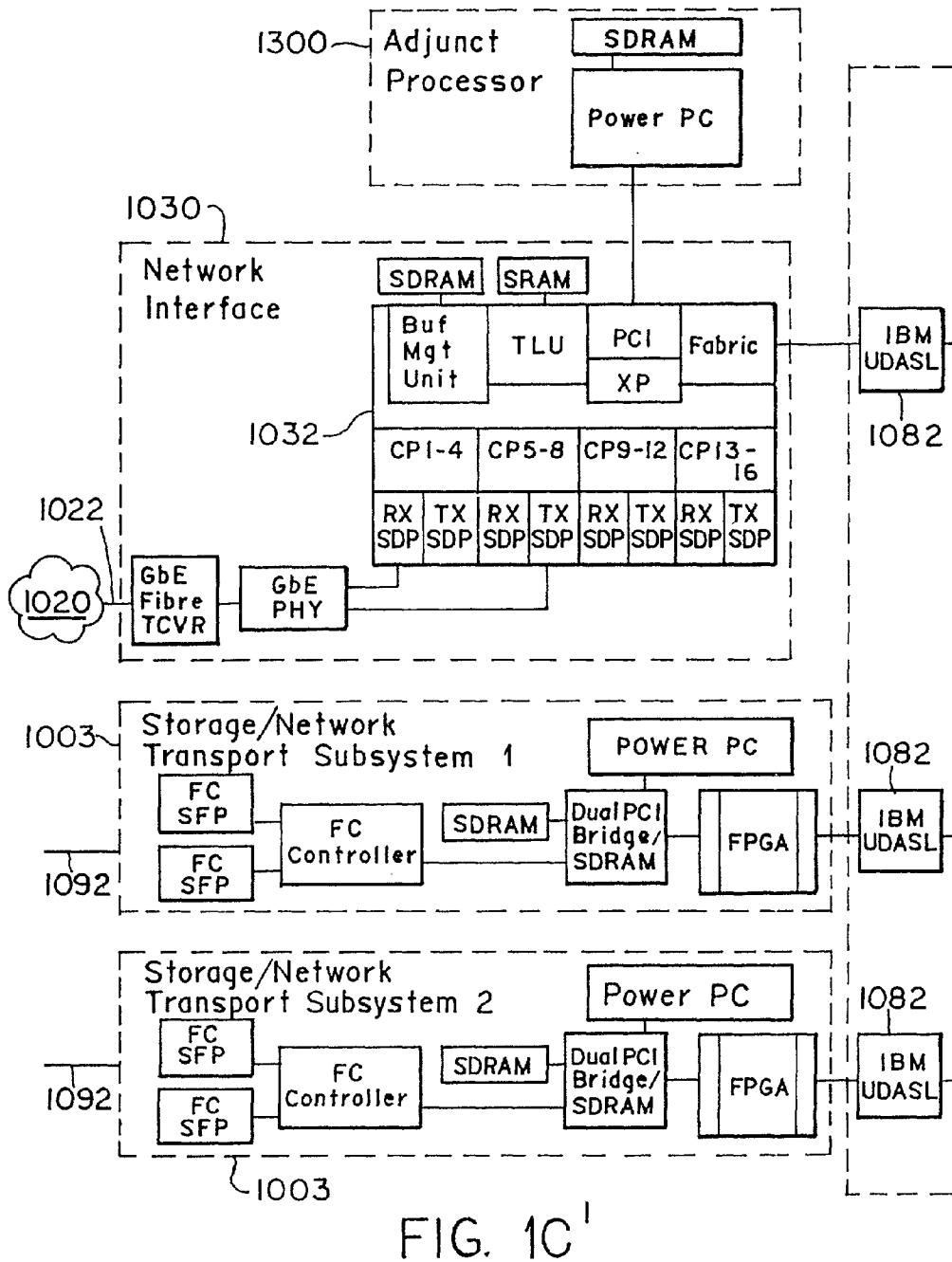


FIG. 1C^I

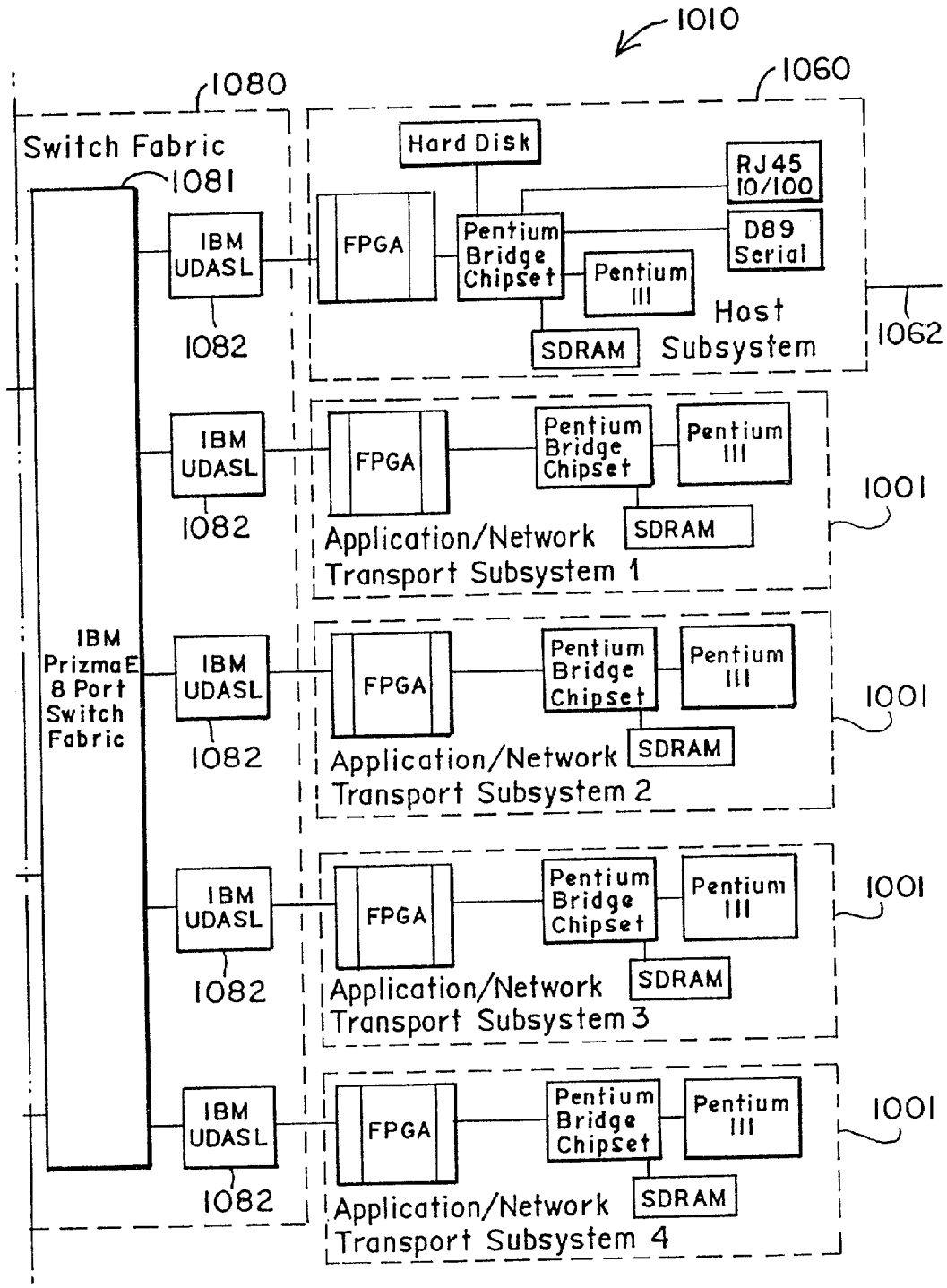


FIG. 1C¹¹

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