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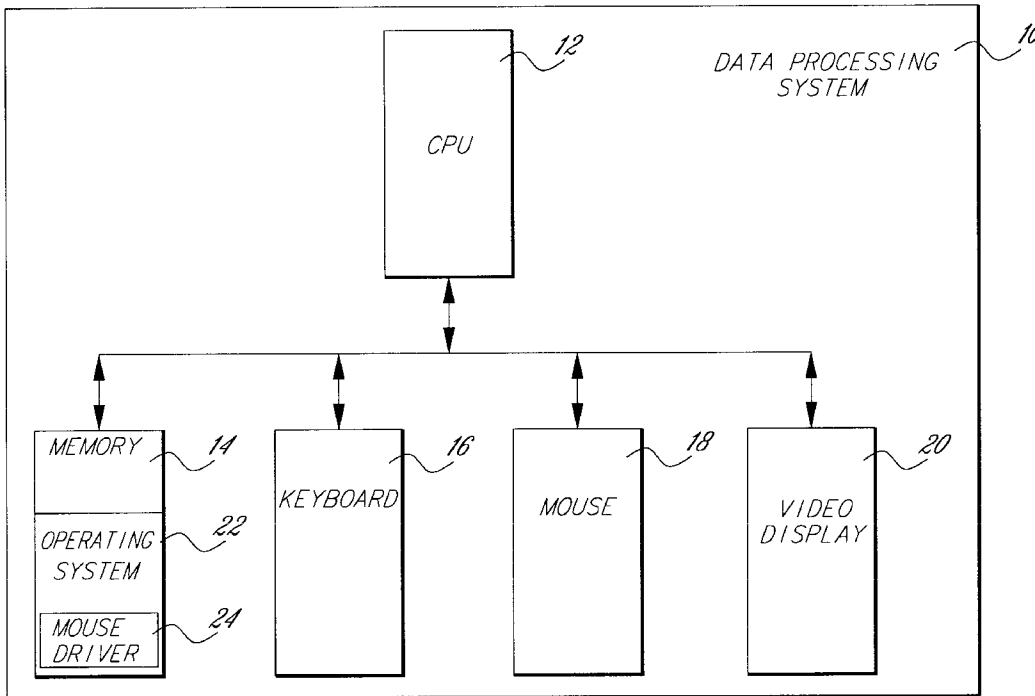
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Information cursors are provided for use in an operating system and/or application programs. Each information cursor includes a pointing portion to point to objects displayed on a video display and an information portion to display information about an object to which the pointing portion points. The information displayed in an information cursor may include the name of the object, a preview of the contents of the object, or property information about the object.

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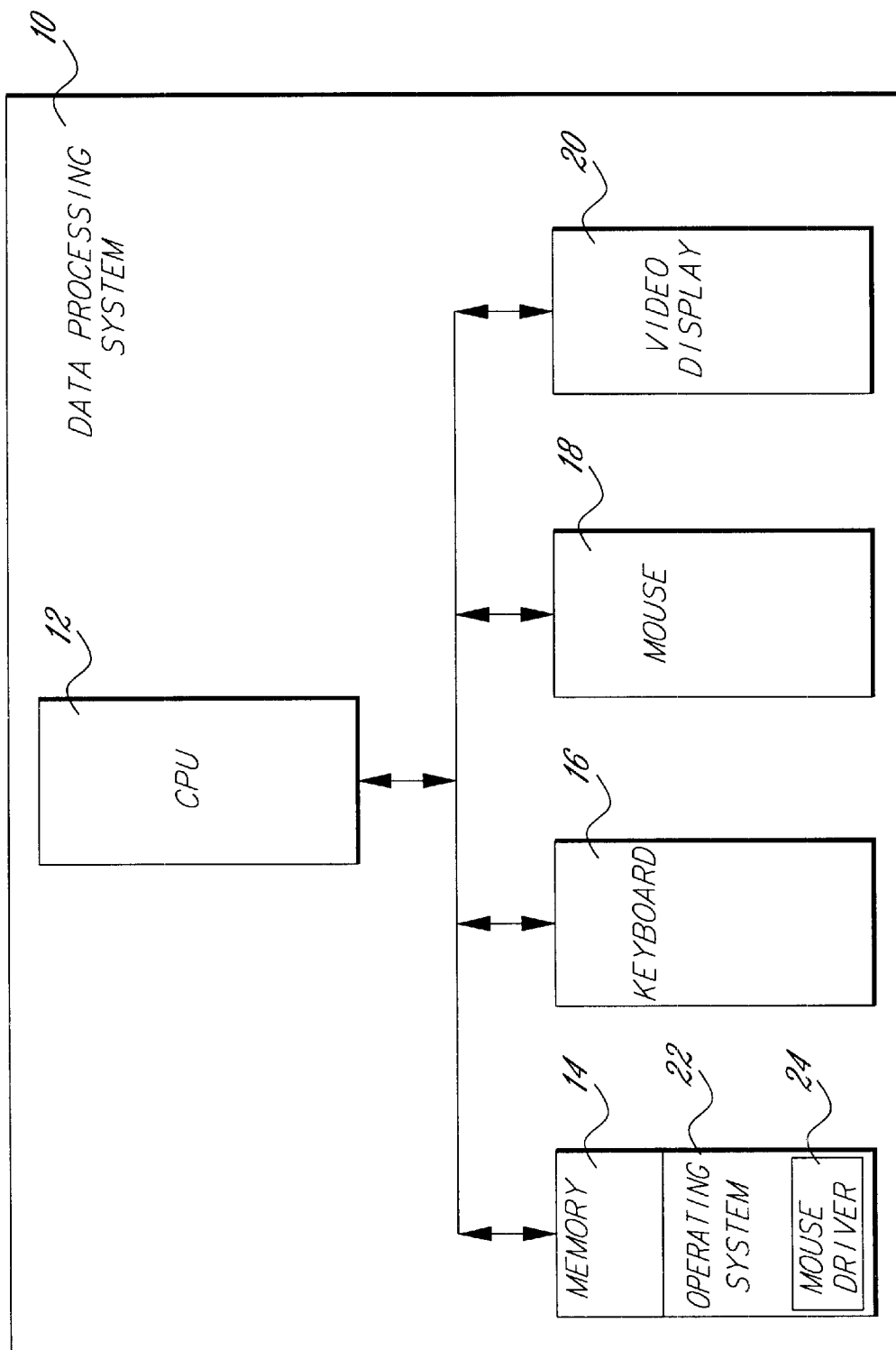
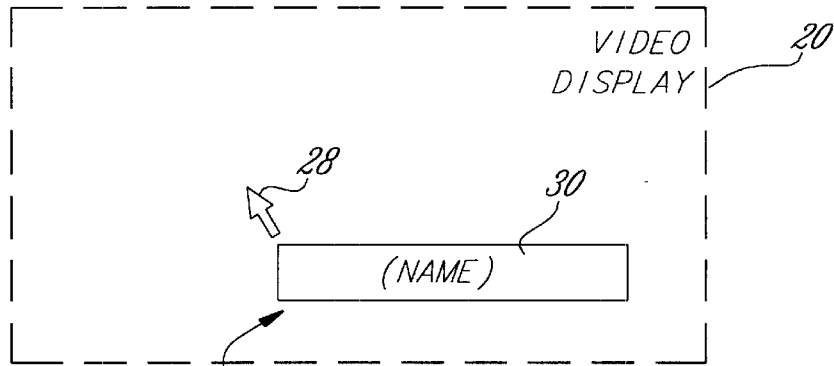
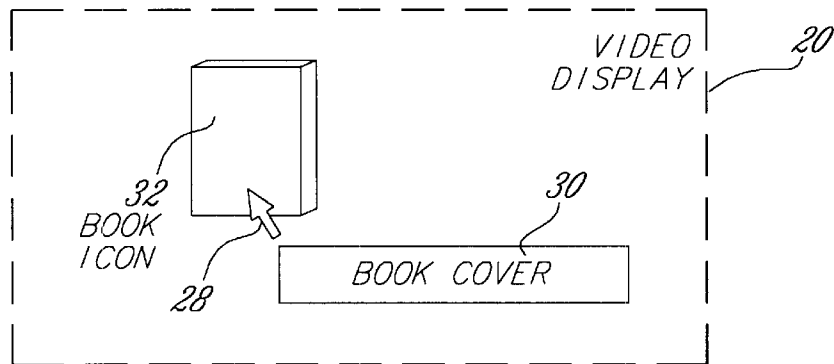


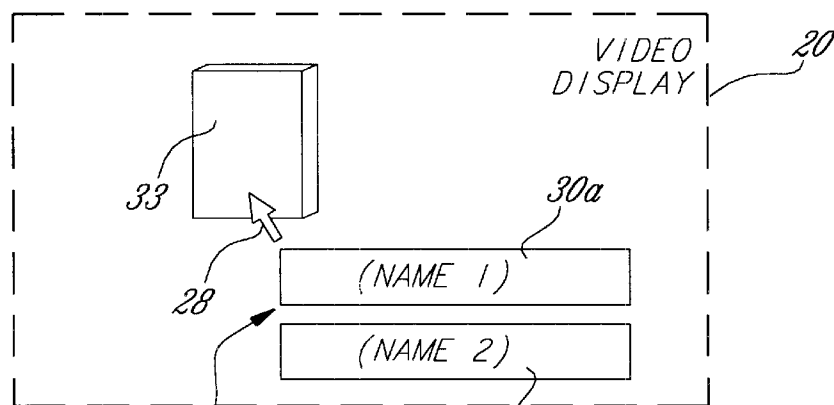
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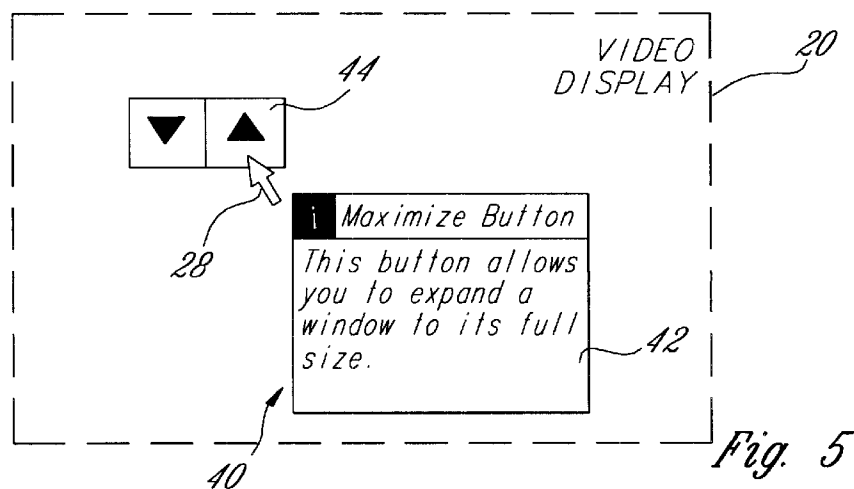
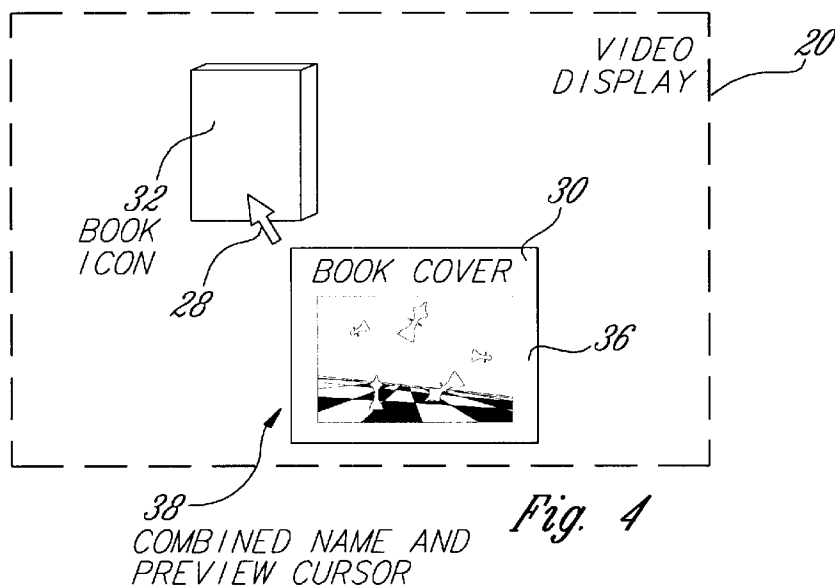
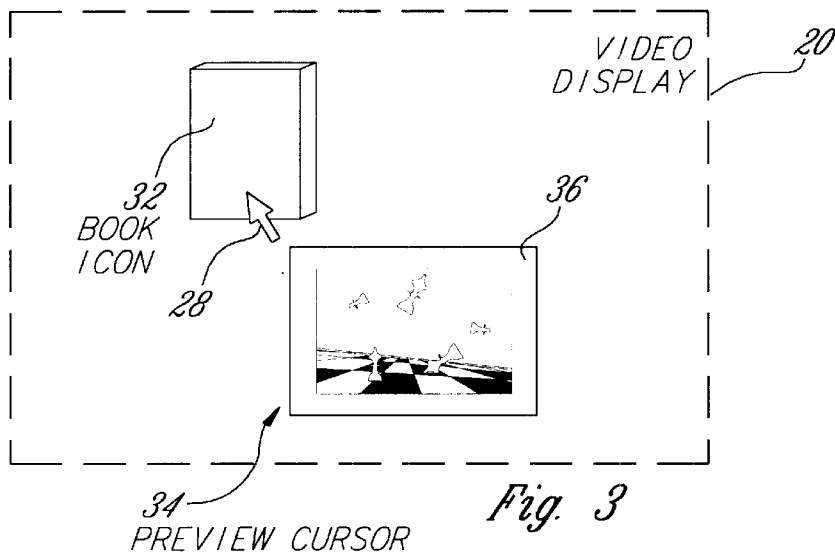
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Fig. 2a



26 NAME CURSOR
Fig. 2b



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Fig. 2c



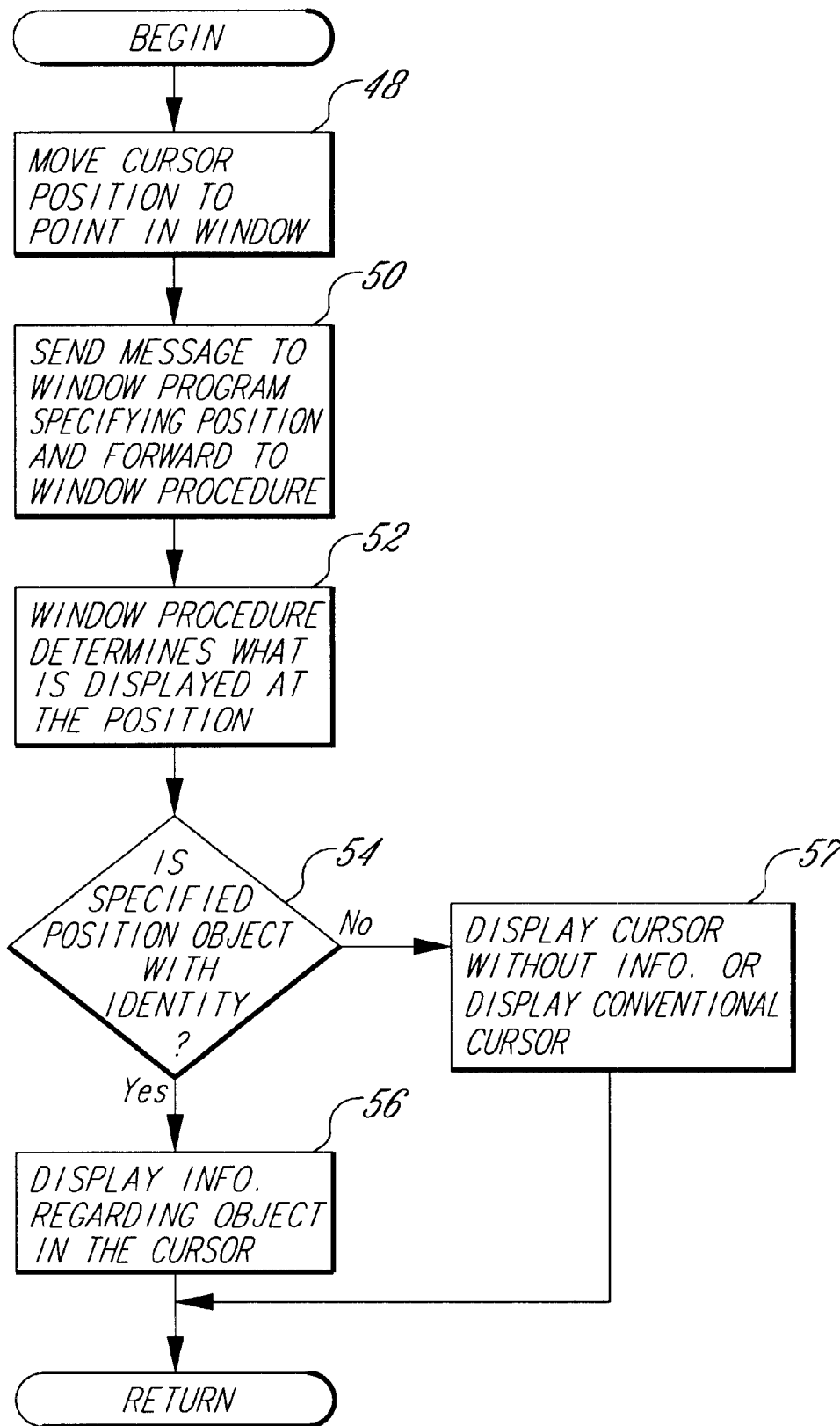


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