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(54) **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FUNDING AN ELECTRONIC PURSE**

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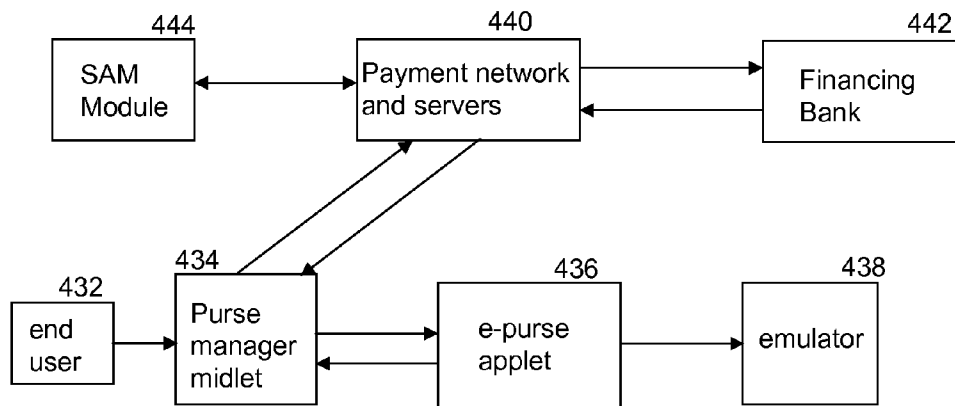
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Techniques for funding an electronic purse (e-purse) are disclosed. According to one aspect of the invention, a mechanism is provided to enable a portable device to conduct transactions over an open network with a payment server without compromising security. In one embodiment, a device is loaded with an e-purse manager. The e-purse manager is configured to manage various transactions and functions as a mechanism to access an e-purse therein. The e-purse is funded by interactions among the e-purse manager, a payment server and a financial institution (its server) that maintains an account therefor.

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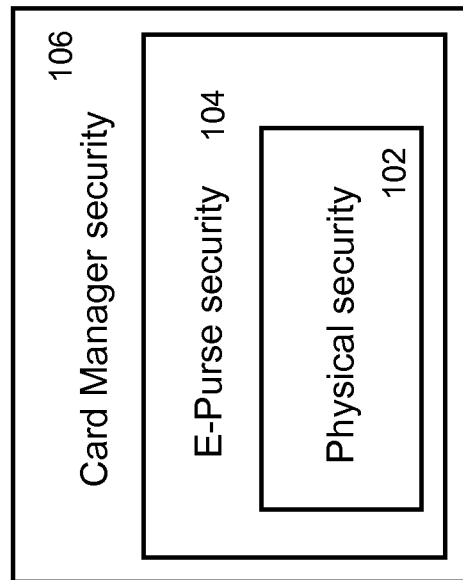


FIG. 1A

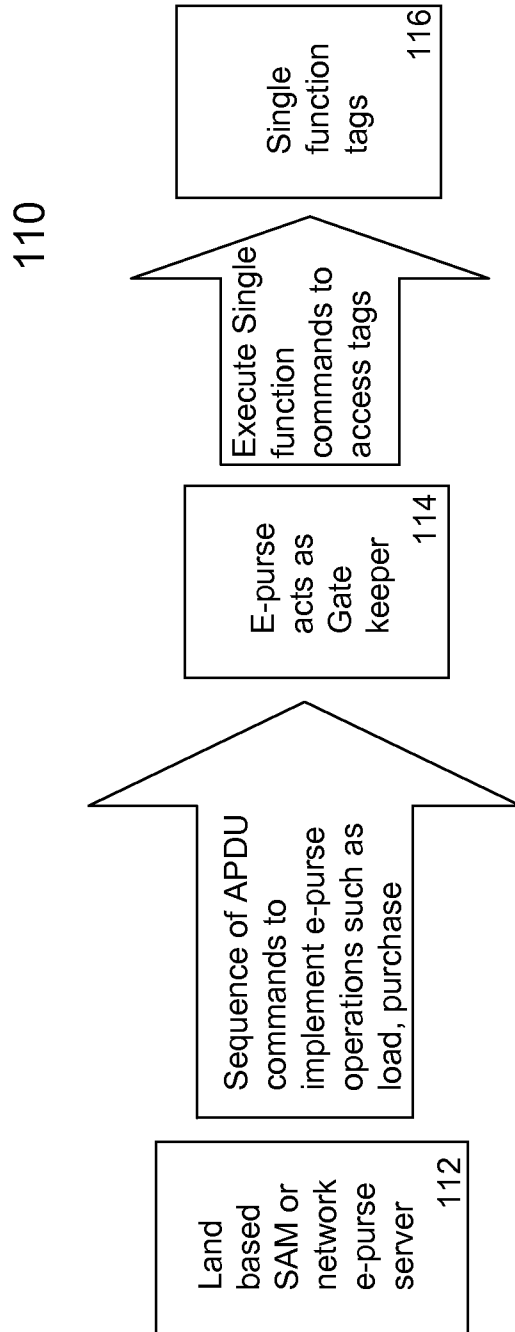


FIG. 1B

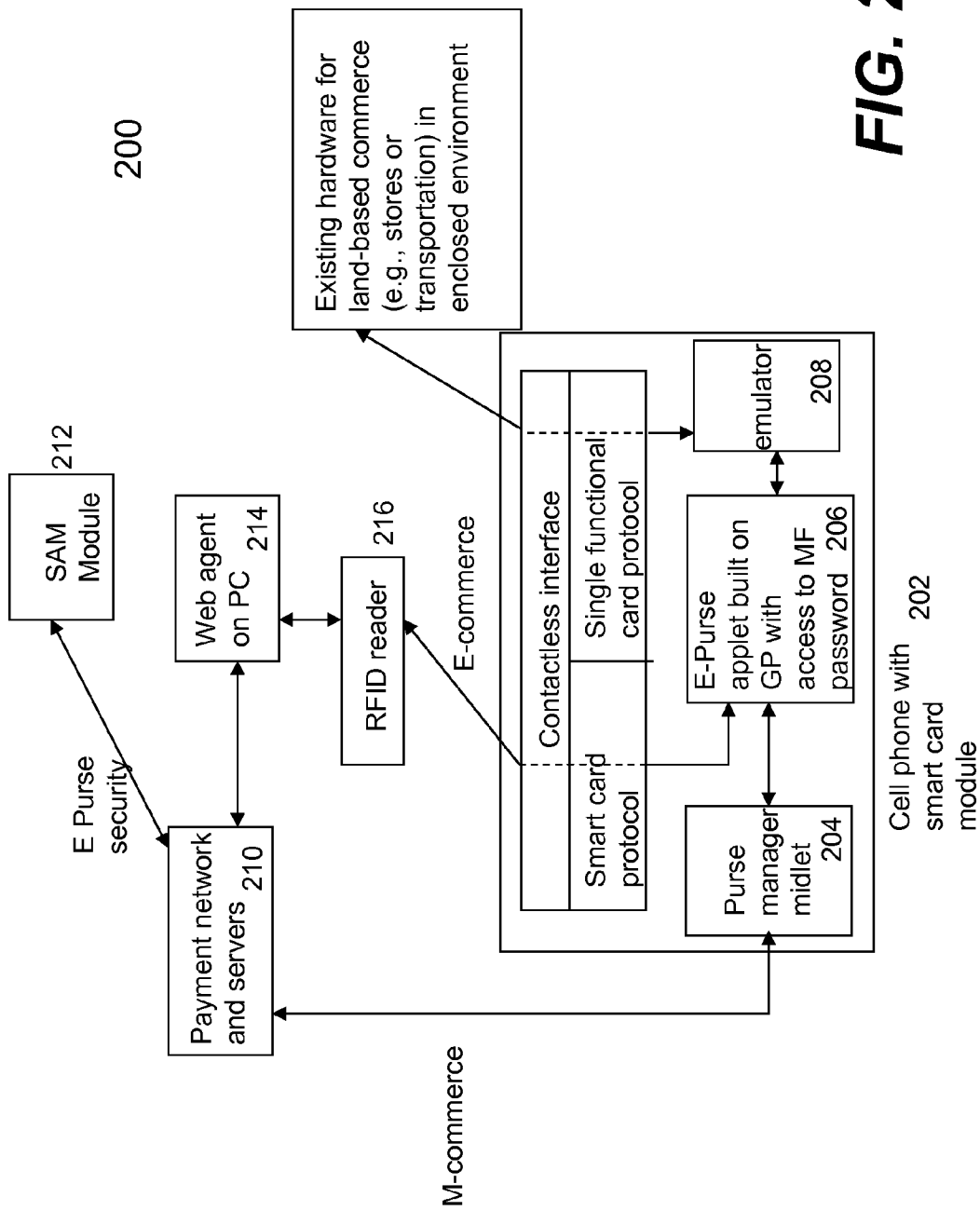


FIG. 2

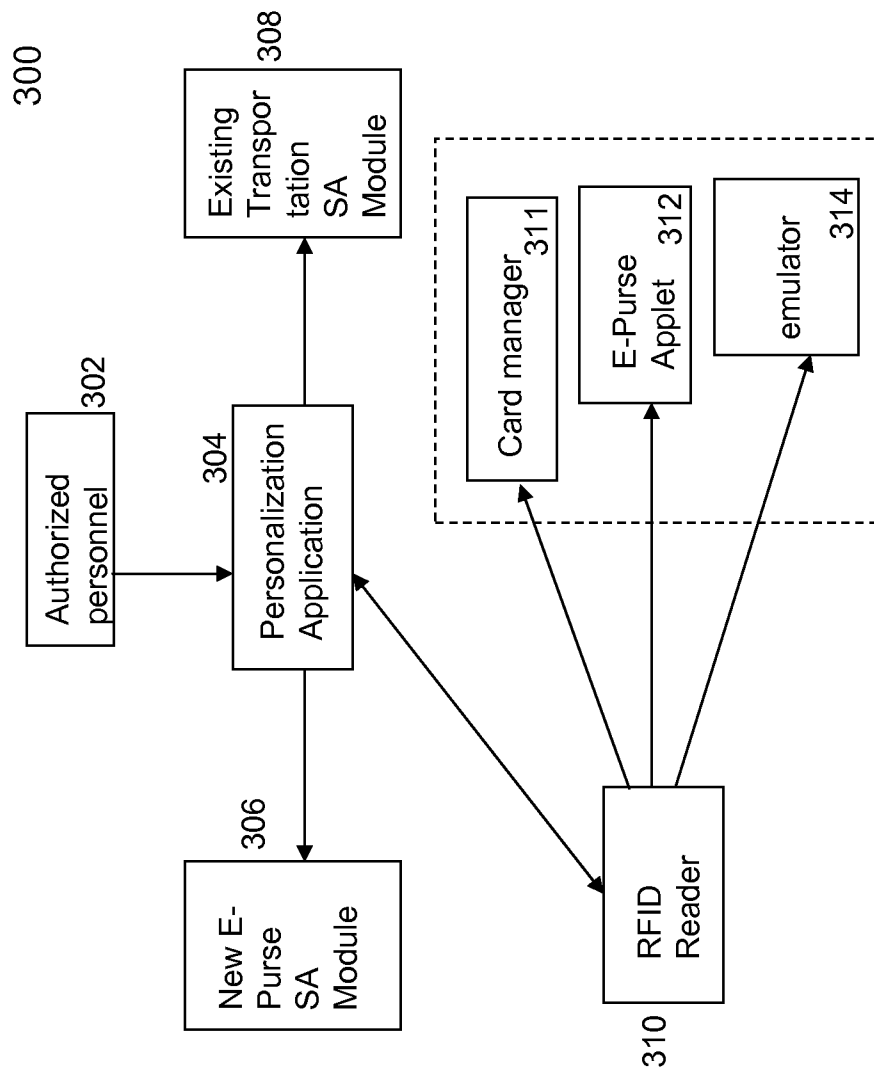


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