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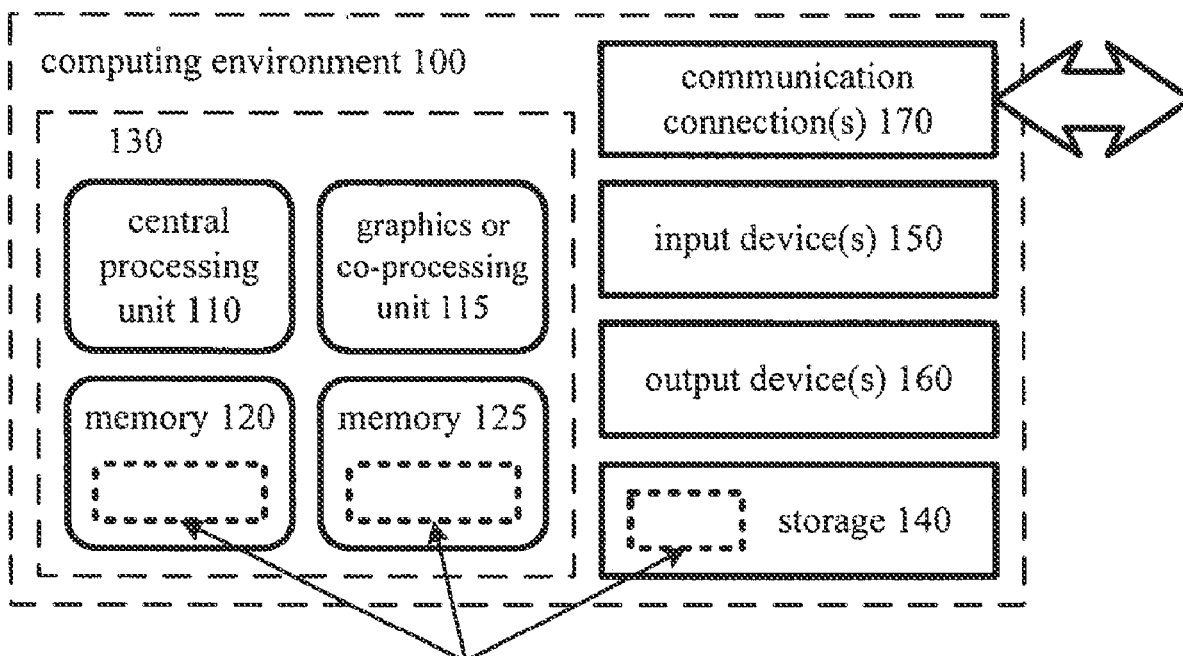
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Video decoding innovations for multithreading implemen-
tations and graphics processor unit (“GPU”) implemen-
tations are described. For example, for multithreaded decod-
ing, a decoder uses innovations in the areas of layered data
structures, picture extent discovery, a picture command
queue, and/or task scheduling for multithreading. Or, for a
GPU implementation, a decoder uses innovations in the
areas of inverse transforms, inverse quantization, fractional
interpolation, intra prediction using waves, loop filtering
using waves, memory usage and/or performance-adaptive
loop filtering. Innovations are also described in the areas of
error handling and recovery, determination of neighbor
availability for operations such as context modeling and
intra prediction, CABAC decoding, computation of col-
located information for direct mode macroblocks in B slices,
reduction of memory consumption, implementation of trick
play modes, and picture dropping for quality adjustment.



software 180 implementing one or more multithreaded
decoding innovations or other decoding innovations