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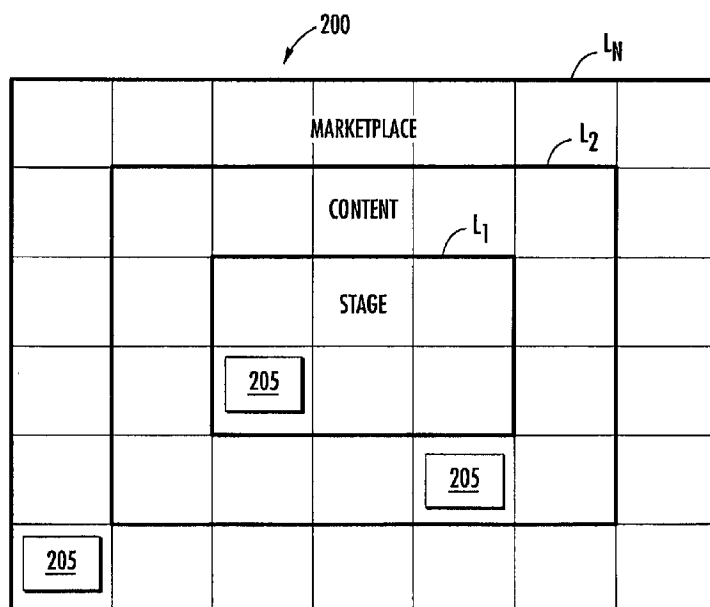


FIG. 2

(57) Abstract: A graphical user interface for a computer system having a plurality of icons, each icon representing an activity. A display controller launches the activity associated with a selected icon when selected. An organization algorithm directs a processor of the computer system to arrange the plurality of icons along a sequence of consecutive closed paths, each closed path representing an organizational level of associated activities.



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