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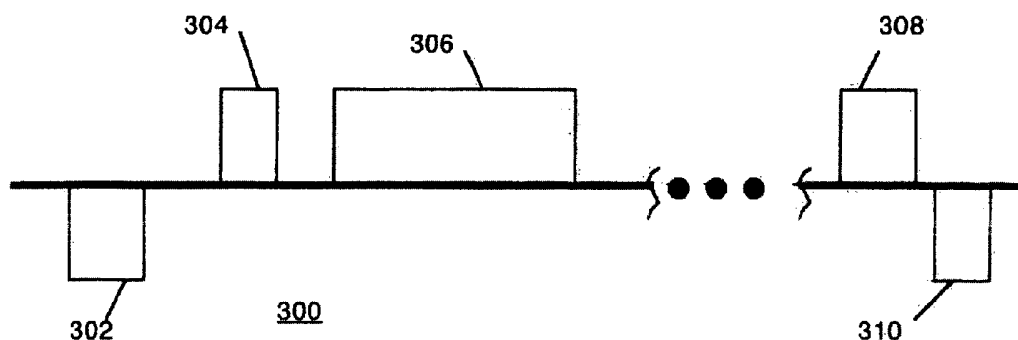
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(57) Abstract: A mobile station (204) in a wireless local area network is associated with an access point (202), which controls timing of certain transmissions, such as beacons (402). The mobile station has a timer (108) that is driven by a high frequency clock source (110) while operating in an active mode, and a low frequency clock source (112) when in a low power mode, to conserve battery charge. To prevent timing errors from significantly affecting the accuracy for the timer (108) upon transitioning from one mode to the other, access point transmits timing information to the mobile station in the course of servicing requests from the mobile station. The timing information is included in a response sequence (300).

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