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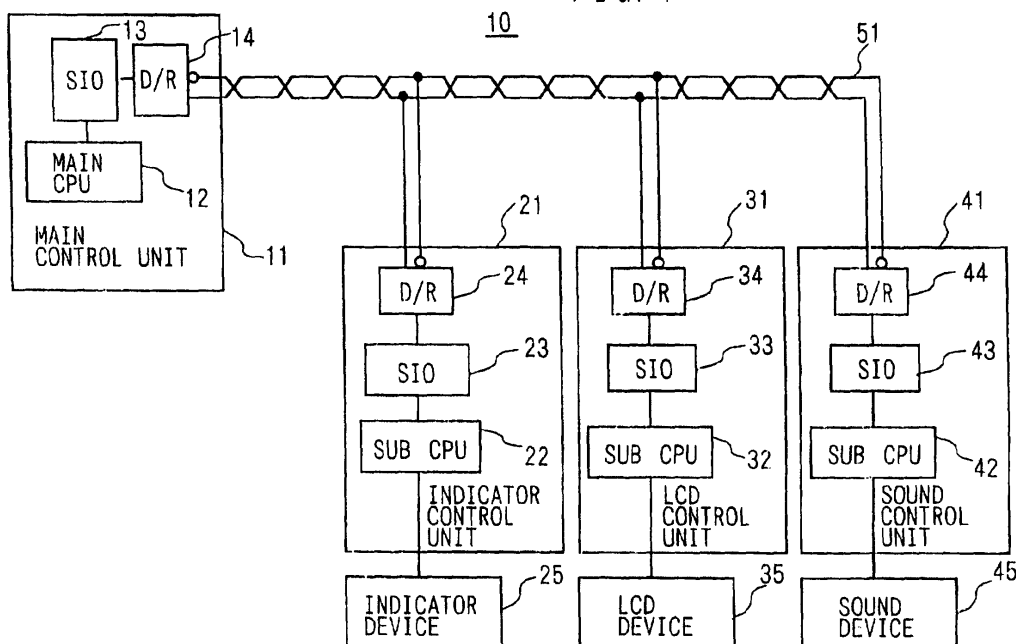
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(54) **"Control apparatus for game machine"**

(57) A control apparatus for a game machine (10), which comprises at least a main control unit (12) and a plurality of sub-control units (22, 25, 32, 35, 42 and 45), comprises a serial communication line (51) for linking the main control unit (12) and the sub-control units (22,

25, 32, 35, 42 and 45) with each other therethrough. The control apparatus allows the game machine (10) to be easily manufactured, tested and maintained at a low cost and improved in its reliability even when the game machine (10) is required to perform a highly enhanced function and have a complicated configuration.

FIG. 1





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