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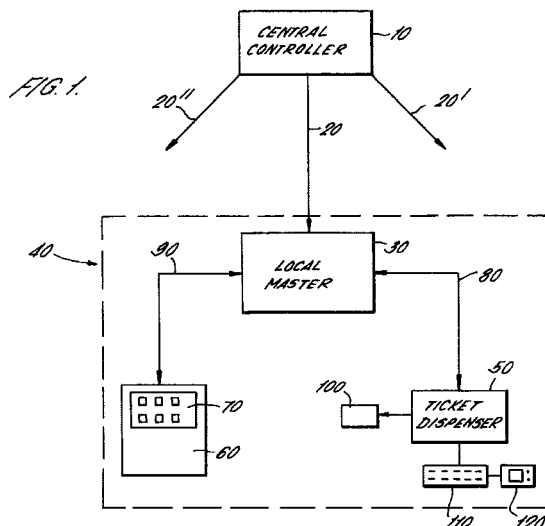
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**(54) Lottery system**

(57) A video lottery system comprises a central controller (10) that provides fixed pools of chances in electronic form. These are downloaded on request to a local master (30) at a given location (40) such as a club. The local master is connected to a ticket dispenser (50). A person wishing to play a game of chance approaches a vendor in the location (40), who enters information into

the ticket dispenser (50) in exchange for cash. The ticket dispenser prints out a ticket and this is handed to the player. Each ticket printed represents a fixed chance (win or lose) obtained from the fixed pool.

The player inserts the purchased ticket into a separate lottery machine (60) which reads the ticket and indicates to the player, via a screen (70), whether the ticket represents a winning or losing chance.





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