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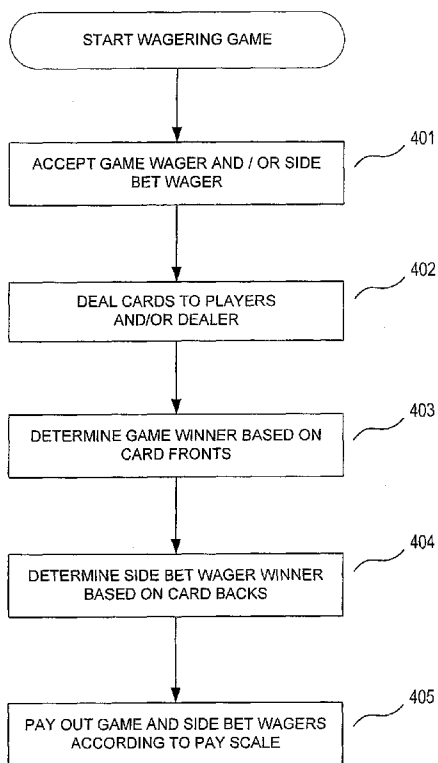


FIG. 4

(57) Abstract: Variations of a playing card wagering game are provided in which the outcome of the game and / or the payoff scale for the game are determined based on the front sides of the playing cards and at least one distinguishable card back design. The game deck may comprise one or more standard or modified standard 52-card decks of playing cards with multiple different designs, for example, different colors, on the backs of the different cards. The wagering game may comprise, for example, a standard casino game with a tiebreaker that depends on the backs of the cards in the players' and dealer's hands, or a side bet or payoff multiplier based on the card backs in the players' hands. Multiple different card back designs and configurations are provided, along with multiple different techniques for incorporating card back determinations into the outcome and payoff scale of the wagering card game.

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