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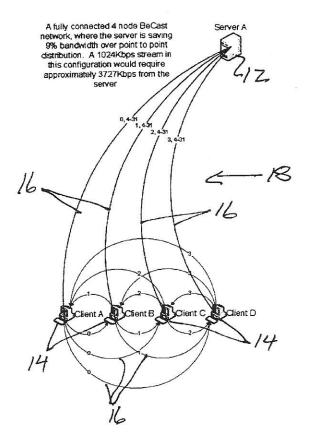
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(57) ABSTRACT

A data delivery system and method of the present invention according to one embodiment includes establishing connections between computers regardless of NAT, transporting data between computers in a reliable fashion, creating a secure stream of packets from stored or streaming data on a server, organizing a plurality of computers to cooperatively transport secure packet streams, transporting and correcting secure packet streams in a cooperative environment, and rendering the original stored or streaming data from a secure packet stream thereby reducing demand on the server.

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Lines represent one half of a connection and the mask used to choose which portions of data are transported over each connection.