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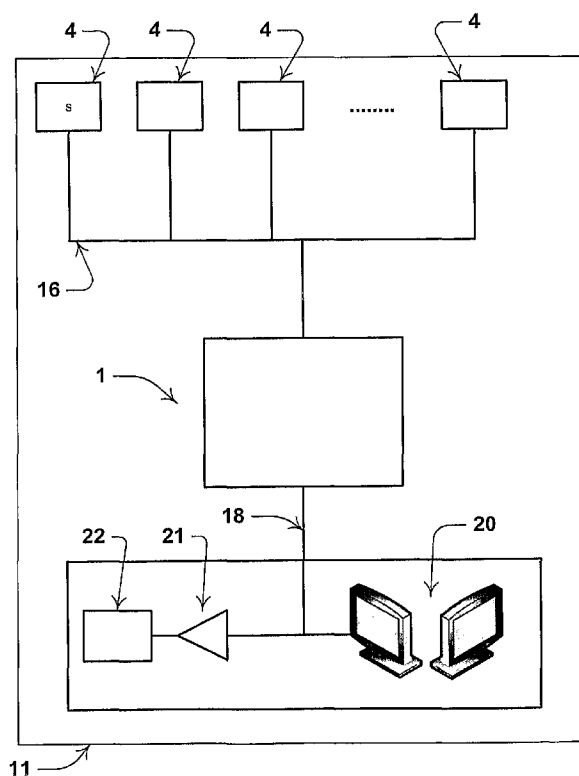
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(54) Title: APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING THE AWARD OF A PLURALITY OF SETS OF PRIZES

FIGURE 1



(57) Abstract: There is described an apparatus for determining the award of a plurality of sets of prizes where each prize in each set has a respective prize value. The apparatus includes memory for storing data indicative of the prize values and an input device being responsive to input signals from a respective plurality of gaming terminals for providing an increment signal. An increment device is included for accessing the data to define a current prize value as one of the prize values from one of the sets; and being responsive to the increment signal for incrementing an accumulated value toward the current prize value. Also included is a comparator responsive to the current prize value and the accumulated value for determining if the current prize value is to be awarded and, if so, generating an award signal and removing from the one of the sets the prize value corresponding to the current prize value. A controller is responsive to the award signal for determining if the one of the sets includes at least one remaining prize value and, if so, actuating the increment device to define the current prize value as one of the at least one remaining prize value. If not, actuating the increment device to define the current prize value as one of the prize values from another one of the sets.



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