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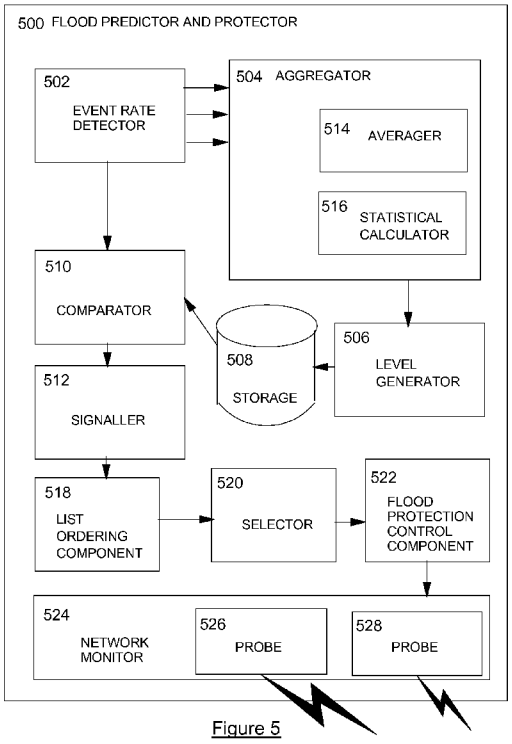

Figure 5

(57) Abstract: An apparatus for predicting a network event flood comprises an event rate detector for detecting rates of event emissions from one or more devices; an aggregator for producing an aggregate rate and an aggregate rate trend of the rates of event emissions from a plurality of the devices; a level generator for generating a plurality of levels comprising maximum acceptable event rate values of a plurality of the aggregate rate trends over plural time periods; a storage component for storing the plurality of levels; a comparator for comparing a current aggregate rate trend with at least a selected one of the levels; and a signaller for signalling a predicted event flood responsive to the comparator detecting that the current aggregate rate trend will exceed the at least a selected one of the levels at a first point in time.

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