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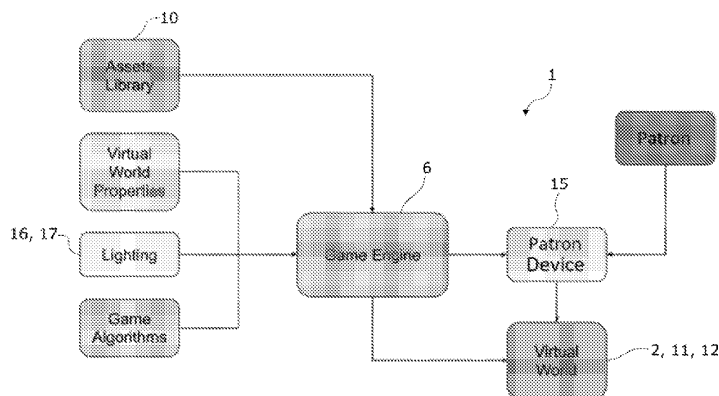


Fig. 1

(57) **Abstract:** A system for use by a user to provide a virtual premises. The system comprises a handheld scanning device operated by the user to scan a real-world item to capture item data characterizing one or more physical features of the real-world item. A modelling processor receives the item data and generates a 3-dimensional model of the real-world item from the item data. A gaming engine receives the 3-dimensional model of the real-world item to generate a virtual premises including a virtual item based on the 3-dimensional model of the real-world item. An information database stores item information related to the real-world item and correlated to the virtual item. A patron device is operated by a patron to visit the virtual premises and to perform an action based on the item information. A related method is also provided.

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