

ABSTRACT**MULTIMEDIA ENABLED NETWORK**

A network which is ~~suited~~ for the distribution of signals such as video and audio is disclosed. A second network 30 is overlaid on an existing LAN 20 to provide audio and video functionality, without further loading the capacity of the LAN. Switching of the video and audio signals is provided by a switchbox 31, controllable from the LAN via server 50. The second network may be a simple UTP arrangement .

Figure 1