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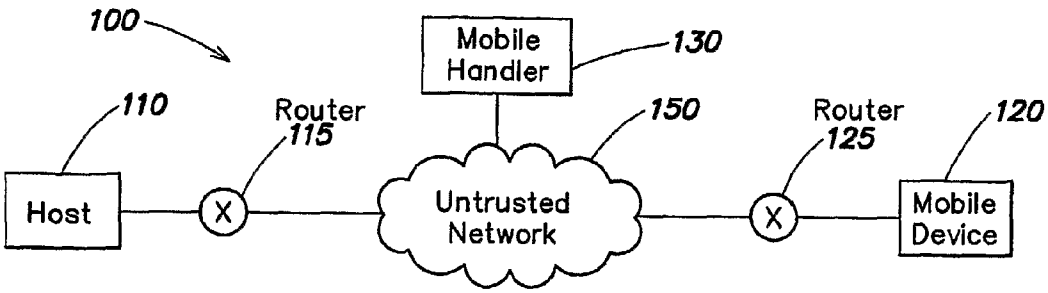
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(57) Abstract: In one aspect, a system capable of performing network address changes is provided. The system comprises a network interconnecting a plurality of hosts, a mobile device connected to the network, the mobile device associated with a first network address corresponding to a first network location of the mobile device on the network, a first host connected to the network, and a mobile handler capable of communicating with the mobile device and the host over the network. Wherein the mobile handler is configured to receive a change of address request from the mobile device, the change of address request including a second network address corresponding to a second network location of the mobile device on the network, the mobile handler configured to notify the first host of the change of address request, the notification including the second network address, and wherein the first host is adapted to receive the notification and to initiate a connection with the mobile device at the second network address, wherein a communication path of the connection does not include the mobile handler.

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