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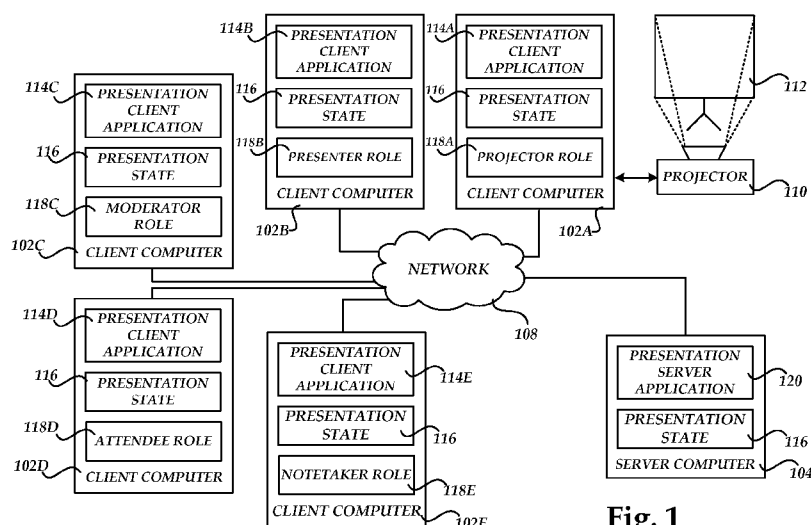


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A presentation state that includes a presentation and other information is synchronized between one or more client computers executing a presentation client application. A client computer executing the presentation client application receives the presentation state, including the presentation, and is assigned a role. The client computer then provides a user interface ("UI") for viewing and interacting with the presentation that is based upon the assigned role. The role might be a projector role, a presenter role, an attendee role, a moderator role, a notetaker role, or another type of role. The UI might also be customized for the particular type of client computer that it is displayed upon.