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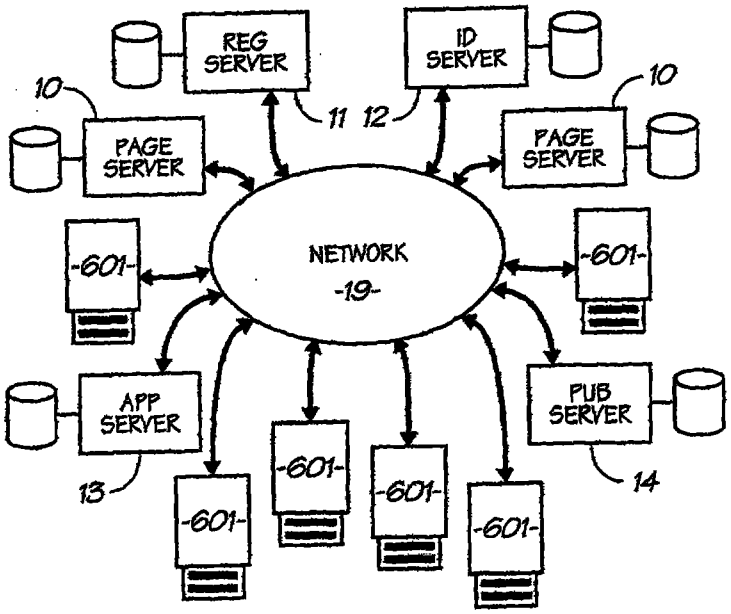
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(57) Abstract: A method of distributing documents, via a communications network, to a plurality of receiving stations associated with a plurality of users. At least one document layout is pointcast to each receiving station, the document layout being associated with a predetermined user and defining one or more data objects such as text, images and graphics. Collections of shared data objects are then multicast, via the communications network, to the receiving stations on the basis of the respective users' document layouts. Each collection is only transmitted to those receiving stations whose users' document layouts include data objects in that collection.

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