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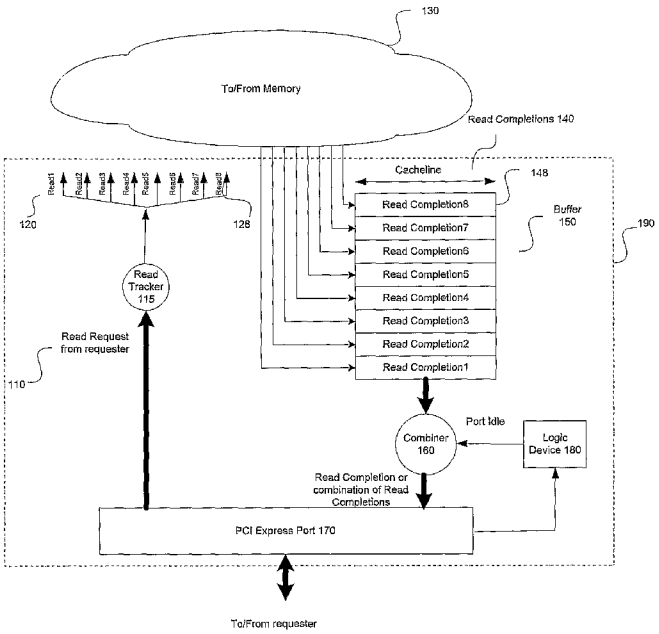
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(57) Abstract: A method and an apparatus to combine and to send data dynamically are disclosed. The method comprises receiving data that partially satisfies a read request from a memory in response to a request, wherein the request is from a requester. The method further comprises forwarding the data to the requester if a port used to forward the data of the read request is idle. If the port is busy, the data is stored for combining with additional data that partially satisfies the read request as the additional data is received, and the combined data is forwarded to the requester when the port is not busy. In one embodiment, the port is a PCI Express™ port.

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