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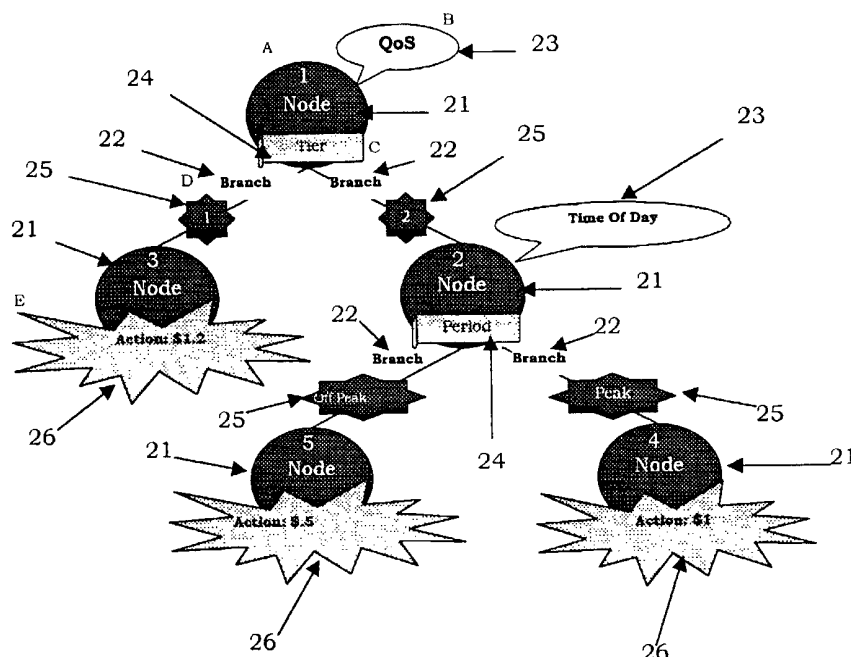
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(57) Abstract: A decision operation tree, DO Tree, according to the present invention is a logical tree representation of decision making rules and actions. In preferred embodiments, one or more trees are tailored for a user's rating and billing system needs. Said Do Trees are comprised of a plurality of nodes (21) and branches (22), branches connect the nodes in a descending relationship. A node may define one or more actions which are triggered whenever the node is reached. The nodes having branches stemming from them have two parameters, a Decision Attribute (23) and a Branching Type (24).



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