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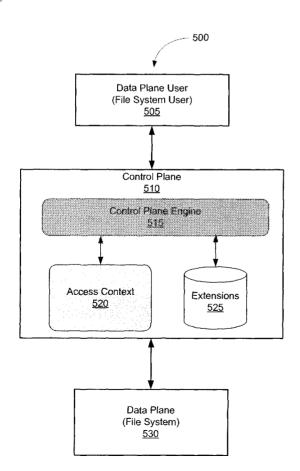


FIG. 5

(57) Abstract: According to various embodiments of the invention, a system and method for controlling a file system. In some embodiments, a control plane interposes between a data plane user and a data plane, intercepts file system operations, and performs control plane operations upon the file system operations. In one such embodiment, the system and method is implemented between a data plane user that is a local file system user and a data plane that is a local file system. In another such embodiment, the system and method is implemented between a data plane user that is a client and a data plane that is a file server. Furthermore, for an embodiment where the control plane that interposes between a client and a file server, the control plane can be implemented as a file system proxy. Control plane operations include, but are not limited to, observation, verification, and transformation of a file system operation.

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