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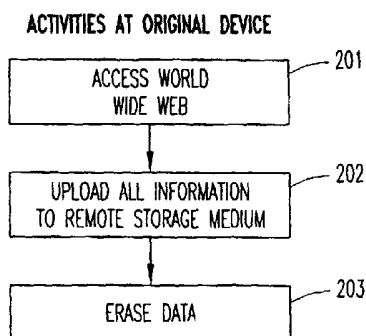
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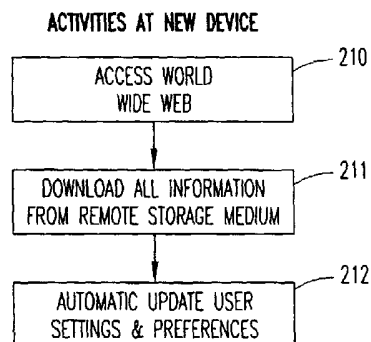
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(57) Abstract: The method and system of the present invention provides an improved technique for replacing, implementing and managing computer-related assets. A technician accesses the World Wide Web through a user's computer (201). The information resident on the computer, including information regarding the computer and the user's preferences, are downloaded to a remote storage medium (202) through the World Wide Web. Once downloaded, all information may be removed from the user's computer (203). Subsequently, the technician accesses another computer that has been assigned to the same user (210). The technician accesses the World Wide Web through the new computer and downloads the information previously stored on the remote storage medium (211). This information can then be used to install the user's prior applications, settings and preferences (212) on the new computer.





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