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(54) Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTING SOFTWARE OVER A NETWORK

## (57) Abstract

A system and method is disclosed for distributing, registering and purchasing software applications and other digital information over a network. Each software application is embedded with an agent module which communicates with a remote server module in a server attached to the network. The server module interacts with the user that is requesting installation of the software application and upon verification of billing or other constraints, the server module enables the agent module to proceed with installation. Subsequent to installation, the agent module monitors the server module and informs the user if an update to the software application is available.

