

Title (en)
SYSTEM FOR EXTENDING A RENTAL PERIOD OF DOWNLOADED VIDEO

Title (de)
SYSTEM ZUR VERLÄNGERUNG DES MIETZEITRANS EINES HERUNTERGELADENEN VIDEOS

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SYSTEME PERMETTANT D'ETENDRE LA DUREE DE LOCATION D'UN FICHER VIDEO TELECHARGE

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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO0120907A1] There is disclosed a video distribution server (180) for use in a communication network (140) capable of communicating with a plurality of subscribers seeking to download video files and a plurality of video content servers (150, 160, 170) capable of providing the video files. The video distribution server (180) extends an expired rental period of a first video file already downloaded to a first subscriber. The video distribution server (180) comprises a first controller (222) for receiving from the first subscriber a first video rental extension message requesting extension of the expired rental period of the first video file. The first controller (222), in response to receipt of the first video rental extension message, transmits to a first one of the plurality of video content servers (150) having the first video file a rental extension request message comprising a subscriber identifier associated with a first video player (112) associated with the first subscriber. The rental extension request message causes the first video content server (150) to transmit a rental extension authorization message to the first video player (112) when the first video player (112) subsequently transmits the subscriber identifier to the first video content server (150).

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