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|                                     | <b>Examiner</b>        | <b>Art Unit</b>     |
|                                     | David García Cervetti  | 2419                |

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This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 15 November 2019.
  - (a) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to the final rejection. (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) if this is utility or plant application, a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. Note that RCEs are not permitted in design applications.)
  - (c) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 8 below).
  - (d) ☒ No reply has been received.
2. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37CFR 1.18 is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record or other party authorized under 37 CFR 1.33 (b). See 37 CFR 1.138(b).
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Patent Trial and Appeal Board rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☐ The dismissal of the appeal in an application having no allowed claims. (When an appeal is dismissed in an application having no allowed claims the application stands abandoned. See MPEP 1215.04 subsections I-V for an explanation of the reasons why an appeal is dismissed.)
8. ☒ The reason(s) below:

Contacted Attorney of Record, Patricia Markison Healy, at 808.283.3608 to verify and was informed that the Applicant decided to discontinue prosecution of the application and let it go abandoned.

/David Garcia Cervetti/  
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2419

Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137, or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.



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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. Applicant's amendment filed 8/27/2019 has been fully considered.
2. Claims 1-16 are pending and have been examined.

### ***Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status***

3. The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

### ***Response to Amendment***

4. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.
5. The objection to the claims is withdrawn.
6. Regarding the obviousness-type double patenting rejection, Examiner respectfully points out that the instant claims are analogous to the conflicting claims since they also require the dispersed storage error encoding, the randomly ordered/obfuscated data slices, and the auxiliary data. Applicant's arguments are not persuasive.
7. Regarding the rejection under 35 USC 103, the cited portions of Applicant's specification fall short of defining "dispersed storage error encoding", at most it broadly describes that error encoding could be forward error correction (FEC), information dispersal algorithm, or error correction coding, just as Casanova provides with the tracker mechanism to enable dispersal and reconstruction of a file and additional encoding/compression processing of fragments (par.42-50). Applicant's arguments are not persuasive.
8. Regarding the argument that Casanova does not tech auxiliary data (e.g., this is some type of extra data that does not include the file data), Examiner respectfully points out that Casanova provides a "file tracker" that reasonably corresponds to "some type of extra data that does not include the file data" (par.26-30, 34-45). Applicant's arguments are not persuasive.

### ***Double Patenting***

9. Claims 1-16 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of Patent Nos. 8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617, and 9128870. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because

- "A method comprises: dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage" (claim 1, instant application) is analogous to
- "A method for execution by a processing module of a computing device, the method comprises: receiving a data object retrieval message regarding receiving a transmission from a particular source device; receiving, as the transmission, randomly ordered encoded slices from the particular source device; rearranging the randomly ordered encoded slices into first randomly ordered encoded data slices corresponding to data and a set of second randomly ordered encoded data slices corresponding to auxiliary data based on de-selection information; ordering the second randomly ordered encoded data slices into a set of encoded data slices in accordance with auxiliary data de-sequencing information; decoding the set of encoded data slices in accordance with operational parameters to produce auxiliary data; when the auxiliary data content corresponds to de-sequencing of the first randomly ordered encoded data slices, determining a pseudo random de-sequencing order for the first randomly ordered encoded data slices from the auxiliary data; ordering the first randomly ordered encoded data slices based on the pseudo-random de-sequencing order to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error decoding the plurality of sets of encoded data slices to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; decrypting the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce a plurality of data segments; and aggregating the plurality of data segments to produce the data" (claim 1, patent 8959366) and analogous to
- "A method comprising: receiving a data segment of a data stream; encrypting the data segment to produce an encrypted data segment; dispersed storage error encoding the encrypted data segment to produce a set of encoded data slices, wherein a threshold number of the encoded data slices of the set of encoded data slices are needed to recover the encrypted data segment; dispersed storage error encoding auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices; generating a sequence of output slices to obscure the set of encoded data slices by interspersing the set of encoded auxiliary data slices within the set of encoded data slices; and sending the sequence of output slices for storage in a distributed storage network (DSN)" (claim 1, patent 10282564).

10. This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims of the instant application have not in fact been patented.

11. The claims of the conflicting patents and/or applications contain every element of claims 1-16 of the instant application and thus anticipate the claims of the instant application. Claims 1-16 of the instant application therefore are not patently distinct from the copending application claims and as such are unpatentable for obvious-type double patenting. A later patent/application claim is not patentably distinct from an earlier claim if the later claim is anticipated by the earlier claim.

12. "A later patent claim is not patentably distinct from an earlier patent claim if the later claim is obvious over, or anticipated by, the earlier claim. In re Longi, 759 F.2d at 896, 225 USPQ at 651 (affirming a holding of obviousness-type double patenting because the claims at issue were obvious over claims in four prior art patents); In re Berg, 140 F.3d at 1437, 46 USPQ2d at 1233 (Fed. Cir. 1998) (affirming a holding of obviousness-type double patenting where a patent application claim to a genus is anticipated by a patent claim to a species with that genus). "ELI LILLY AND COMPANY v BARR LABORATORIES, INC., United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, ON PETITION FOR REHEARING EN BANC (DECIDED: May 30, 2001).

13. "Claim 12 and Claim 13 are generic to the species of invention covered by claim 3 of the patent. Thus, the generic invention is "anticipated" by the species of the patented invention. Cf., Titanium Metals Corp. v. Banner, 778 F.2d 775, 227 USPQ 773 (Fed. Cir. 1985) (holding that an earlier species disclosure in the prior art defeats any generic claim) 4. This court's predecessor has held that, without a terminal disclaimer, the species claims preclude issuance of the generic claim. In re Van Ornum, 686 F.2d 937, 944, 214 USPQ 761, 767 (CCPA 1982); Schneller, 397 F.2d at 354. Accordingly, absent a terminal

disclaimer, claims 12 and 13 were properly rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting." (In re Goodman (CA FC) 29 USPQ2d 2010 (12/3/1993).

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

**14. Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Casanova (20080126357), and further in view of Michaelsen (20050002531).**

**Regarding claims 1 and 9**, Casanova teaches dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices (par.14-15, 22-31,51-60); and

outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of encoded data slices for storage (par.57-61).

Casanova does not expressly disclose, however Michaelsen teaches obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage (par.9-19, 105-135, 140-150).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to apply the teachings of Michaelsen to the system of Casanova.

One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to perform such a modification to further increase complexity for unintended recipients to access content (Michaelsen, par.3-19, 100-150).

**Regarding claims 2 and 10**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices (Casanova, par.26-40, 55-60);

obfuscating, by the computing device, the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a

first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and obfuscating, by the computing device, the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices (Michaelsen, par.9-19, 105-135, 140-150).

**Regarding claims 3 and 11**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of: null data; authentication information; a next pseudo random output sequencing order; a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier; a next outputting threshold; a random number generator output; an encryption key; a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order; a device identifier; a data identifier; a data type; a data size indicator; a priority indicator; a security indicator; and a performance indicator (Casanova, par.26-42, 55-60, Michaelsen, 120-130).

**Regarding claims 4 and 12**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches encrypting, by the computing device, the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 5 and 13**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches encrypting, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 6 and 14**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 7 and 15**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and the plurality of data segments is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments (Casanova, par. 14-15, 22-31,51-60, Michaelsen, 142-150).

**Regarding claims 8 and 16**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices comprises: interspersing, by the computing device, the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output

sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices (Michaelson, 14-20, 120-130, 142-150).

### ***Conclusion***

15. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

16. A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

17. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Garcia Cervetti whose telephone number is (571)272-5861. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM.

18. Examiner interviews are available via telephone, in-person, and video conferencing using a USPTO supplied web-based collaboration tool. To schedule an interview, applicant is encouraged to use the USPTO Automated Interview Request (AIR) at <http://www.uspto.gov/interviewpractice>.

19. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, SHEWAYE GELAGAY can be reached on (571)272-4219. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2436

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| S3    | 2045 | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR               | OFF     | 2012/12/08 21:55 |
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| S5 | 44  | ("20110182424"   "20110182429"   "20110185193"   "20020016961"   "20030028879"   "20100266120"   "20100269008"   "20100287200"   "20110026842"   "20110029742"   "20110029809"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110072321"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110083053"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110072321"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110083053"   "20110107027"   "20110107165"   "20110107180"   "20110107181"   "20110107184"   "20110107185"   "20110107380"   "20110122523"   "20110125771"   "20110126026"   "20110126295"   "20110161655"   "20110161680"   "20110161681"   "20110161781"   "20110184997"   "20110185253"   "20110185258"   "20110213929"   "20110214011"   "20110225362"   "20110228931"   "20110231699"   "20110231733"   "20110261839"   "20110264717"   "20110264823").PN.                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/08 21:57 |
| S6 | 1   | "20110185193".pn. and (aont transformation)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 12:49 |
| S7 | 158 | (aont nothing near4 transformation)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 12:50 |
| S8 | 63  | (aont nothing near4 transformation) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 12:50 |
| S9 | 63  | (US-20120255035-\$ or US-20120255034-\$ or US-20120226904-\$ or US-20120222134-\$ or US-20120221856-\$ or US-20120221855-\$ or US-20120221854-\$ or US-20120198241-\$ or US-20120179916-\$ or US-20120173883-\$ or US-20120170750-\$ or US-20120166818-\$ or US-20120166815-\$ or US-20120166576-\$ or US-20120159197-\$ or US-20120124366-\$ or US-20120110346-\$ or US-20120072723-\$ or US-20120054747-\$ or US-20110314346-\$ or US-20110314154-\$ or US-20110314072-\$ or US-20110314058-\$ or US-20110311051-\$ or US-20110296440-\$ or US-20110258439-\$).did. or (US-20110246817-\$ or US-20110246766-\$ or US-20110202763-\$ or US-20110202755-\$ or US-20110185193-\$ or US-20110182429-\$ or US-20110182424-\$ or US-20110107112-\$ or US-20100299313-\$ or US-20100269008-\$ or US-20100268966-\$ or US-20100266120-\$ or US-20100266119-\$ or US-20100098255-\$ or US-20090177894-\$ or US-20090158052-\$ or US-20090097661-\$ or US-20080183992-\$ or US-20070226145-\$ or US-20070219915-\$ or US-20070160198-\$ or US- | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 12:51 |

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| S10 | 63     | S9 and S7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 12:52 |
| S11 | 138668 | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 14:51 |
| S12 | 138667 | (desequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 14:52 |
| S13 | 17416  | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram frame)                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09 14:52 |
| S14 | 2808   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame)                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09 14:53 |
| S15 | 37     | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering re-order)                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09 14:54 |
| S16 | 474    | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order)                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09 14:54 |
| S17 | 3      | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj transformation disper\$ near4 storage near4 error) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09 16:12 |
| S18 | 3      | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09 16:12 |

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|     |      | reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj transformation disper\$ near4 error)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                 |    |    |                  |
| S19 | 338  | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj transformation error crc) | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10 08:29 |
| S20 | 205  | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10 08:32 |
| S23 | 174  | dispers\$ adj storage near4 error near5 (encrypt\$ decrypt\$ crypto\$ encod\$ decod\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10 08:33 |
| S24 | 5    | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (dispers\$ near4 storage)              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10 12:43 |
| S25 | 38   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (distribut\$ near4 storage)            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10 12:45 |
| S26 | 9128 | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information )                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2013/03/24 15:28 |
| S27 | 980  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata)                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2013/03/24 15:28 |
| S28 | 77   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (reorder\$)                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2013/03/24 15:29 |
| S29 | 263  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (assemble                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2013/03/24 21:55 |

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|     |      | assembling)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                  |    |     |                     |
| S30 | 260  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet<br>slice content data information ) and (frame<br>datagram packet slice content data<br>information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata)<br>and (frame datagram packet slice content<br>data information ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24<br>22:11 |
| S31 | 4186 | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:24 |
| S32 | 1295 | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:24 |
| S33 | 2124 | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:24 |
| S34 | 1    | "7457415".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:28 |
| S35 | 37   | ("4736420"   "4742544"   "4947447"  <br>"5014310"   "5049990"   "5113443"  <br>"5195134"   "5351299"   "5392072"  <br>"5420866"   "5479512"   "5546461"  <br>"5621799"   "5625416"   "5701391"  <br>"5706346"   "5734755"   "5764994"  <br>"5802520"   "5926624"   "6035068"  <br>"6041160"   "6061451"   "6064748"  <br>"6081785"   "6101195"   "6157606"  <br>"6266299"   "6285774"   "6349088"  <br>"6392705"   "6529553").PN. OR<br>("7457415").URPN. | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT;<br>USOCR | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:28 |
| S36 | 24   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24<br>23:22 |
| S37 | 502  | cleversafe.as.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:43 |
| S38 | 135  | cleversafe.as.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | USPAT                            | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:44 |
| S39 | 24   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:58 |
| S40 | 24   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:44 |

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| S41 | 24   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)<"20100128" | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:45 |
| S42 | 132  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame slice ) same<br>(sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)<"20100128"                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:46 |
| S43 | 0    | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame slice ) and<br>transmit\$ near6 (index ) near8 content and<br>(@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<br><"20100128"                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:48 |
| S44 | 2    | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame slice ) and<br>transmit\$ near6 (vector order ) near8<br>content and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)<"20100128"                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:49 |
| S45 | 1669 | G06F11/1008.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>10:09 |
| S46 | 1294 | G06F21/72.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>10:09 |
| S47 | 1163 | G06F21/80.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>10:10 |
| S48 | 1258 | G06F21/85.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>10:10 |
| S49 | 743  | H04L9/3242.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>10:10 |
| S50 | 742  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj<br>network                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05<br>11:24 |
| S51 | 405  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj<br>network.clm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05<br>11:24 |
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| S59 | 5365  | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:47 |
| S60 | 1545  | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:47 |
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| S62 | 1781  | G06F11/1008.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S63 | 1402  | G06F21/72.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S64 | 1185  | G06F21/80.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S65 | 1332  | G06F21/85.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S66 | 806   | H04L9/3242.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S67 | 4     | (G06F21/85 and H04N21/2347 and H04N21/222 and H04N21/8456 and H04L9/3242 and G06F21/72 and G06F21/80 and H04L67/1097 and H04L65/604 and G06F2211/1028 and H04W12/02 and G06F2221/2107 and G06F11/1008).cpc.                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:51 |
| S68 | 23270 | (G06F21/85 H04N21/2347 H04N21/222 H04N21/8456 H04L9/3242 G06F21/72 G06F21/80 H04L67/1097 H04L65/604 G06F2211/1028 H04W12/02 G06F2221/2107 G06F11/1008).cpc.                                                                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:51 |
| S72 | 1627  | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:42 |
| S73 | 39916 | (G06F21/85 or G06F3/067 or G06F3/0647 or G06F11/1076 or G06F3/0619 or H04L67/1097 or G06F21/72 or H04N21/222 or G06F21/80 or H04N21/8456 or H04L9/3242 or H04N21/2347 or H04L65/604 or H04W12/02 or G06F2211/1028 or G06F11/1008 or G06F2221/2107).cpc. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:42 |
| S74 | 5962  | 713/193.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:43 |
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| S77 | 549  | 380/268.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:43 |
| S78 | 1097 | 380/279.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:43 |
| S79 | 46   | ("7505535"   "7207224"   "7907722"  <br>"7907722"   "8098952"   "9125609"  <br>"4882737"   "5148479"   "5373372"  <br>"5430830"   "5602638"   "5768159"  <br>"7200233"   "7483058"   "7774272"  <br>"7792067"   "7933218"   "8014479"  <br>"8085283"   "7933218"   "8014479"  <br>"8085283"   "8094813"   "8300809"  <br>"8379523"   "8429414"   "8437870"  <br>"8588423"   "8670430"   "8891370"  <br>"8924983"   "8983787"   "9064438"  <br>"3555184"   "3555195"   "3555204"  <br>"3555251"   "3555255"   "3555259"  <br>"3556007"   "3557308"   "3557314"  <br>"3557349"   "3557354"   "3557355"  <br>"3557357"   "3557673"   "3558811"  <br>"3558820"   "3558823").PN.                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:44 |
| S80 | 4044 | S75 S76                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:44 |
| S81 | 90   | S75 S79                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:44 |
| S82 | 2450 | 714/763.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:46 |
| S83 | 479  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3<br>sequencing sequencing interspersing)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;          | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25<br>21:53 |

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|     |       | near5 (data slice) near8 stream                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | USPAT           |    |    |                  |
| S84 | 609   | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet) near8 stream                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/25 21:53 |
| S85 | 499   | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet) near8 stream and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128"                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/25 21:53 |
| S86 | 105   | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) near8 stream and encrypt\$ near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/25 21:54 |
| S87 | 105   | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) near8 stream and encrypt\$ near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/25 21:54 |
| S88 | 13930 | reed adj solomon adj code                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:31 |
| S89 | 0     | reed adj solomon adj code and distribution adj matrix and identity adj matrix                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:33 |
| S90 | 6     | reed adj solomon adj code and distribution adj matrix                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:33 |
| S93 | 26    | reed adj solomon adj code and (distribution identity) adj matrix and galois and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 storage                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:35 |
| S94 | 1     | "8959366".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:37 |
| S95 | 33    | distributed adj storage and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and (obfuscat\$ obscur\$ unintellig\$) near6 (slice packet segment)                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 11:57 |
| S96 | 1752  | distributed adj storage and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment)                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 12:10 |
| S97 | 666   | distributed adj storage adj network and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment)                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 12:10 |
| S98 | 237   | distributed adj storage adj network and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128"                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 12:10 |
| S99 | 1     | distributed adj storage.clm. and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and (obfuscat\$ obscur\$ unintellig\$) near6 (slice packet                                                                                            | USPAT           | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 13:03 |

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|      |      | segment)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                 |    |    |                  |
| S100 | 11   | distributed adj storage and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and (obfuscat\$ obscur\$ unintellig\$) near6 (slice packet segment)                                                                                                                                                              | USPAT           | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 13:04 |
| S104 | 134  | (dispersed distributed) adj storage adj network and encrypt\$ near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20100128" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 13:12 |
| S105 | 2814 | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:12 |
| S106 | 1346 | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored) and (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet)                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:12 |
| S107 | 1037 | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored) and (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (error near3 (code encode coding encoding) parity near3 check)                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:13 |
| S108 | 39   | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored) and (random\$ pseudorandom\$) near8 (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (error near3 (code encode coding encoding) parity near3 check)         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:14 |
| S109 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and readable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:11 |
| S110 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and (media medium)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:12 |
| S111 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and nothing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:42 |
| S112 | 0    | "all or nothing"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:43 |
| S113 | 78   | ("20020062422"   "20020166079"   "20030018927"   "20030037261"   "20030065617"   "20030084020"   "20040024963"   "20040122917"   "20040215998"   "20040228493"   "20050100022"   "20050114594"   "20050125593"   "20050131993"                                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:51 |

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| S114 | 338  | ("5485474").URPN.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | USPAT                  | OR | OFF | 2015/09/27<br>18:33 |
| S115 | 1    | "8626820".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/27<br>20:43 |
| S116 | 0    | "20080263113".pn. and error                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>21:55 |
| S117 | 1    | "20080263113".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>21:56 |
| S118 | 5    | dispersed near4 storage near4 error and<br>encoding near4 auxiliary near4 data                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>22:16 |
| S119 | 43   | distributed near4 storage and error near4<br>encoding and auxiliary near4 data                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>22:20 |
| S120 | 32   | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 slice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S121 | 36   | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 (slice portion section<br>part segment)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S122 | 36   | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 (slice portion section<br>part segment fragment)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S123 | 573  | information adj dispersal and error adj<br>encoding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:34 |
| S125 | 151  | information adj dispersal and encrypt\$ and<br>error adj encoding and (@pd @prad @rlad<br>@ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:42 |
| S126 | 5933 | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-                    | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19          |

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| S127 | 1632  | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19<br>21:56 |
| S128 | 2927  | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19<br>21:56 |
| S129 | 30886 | (G06F21/85 H04N21/2347 H04N21/222<br>H04N21/8456 H04L9/3242 G06F21/72<br>G06F21/80 H04L67/1097 H04L65/604<br>G06F2211/1028 H04W12/02<br>G06F2221/2107 G06F11/1008).cpc.                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/19<br>21:59 |
| S130 | 1     | "20080263113".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/24<br>09:47 |
| S131 | 77    | (intersper\$ scatter\$ intermix\$ ) near6 (slice<br>packet datagram) near8 (encrypted<br>encoded)                                                                                                          | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24<br>10:03 |
| S132 | 70    | (intersper\$ scatter\$ intermix\$ ) near6 (slice<br>packet datagram) near8 (encrypted<br>encoded) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)<"20100128"                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24<br>10:04 |
| S133 | 23    | (random\$ pseudorandom\$ ) near6 (order<br>ordering ordered) near6 (slice packet<br>datagram) near8 (encrypted encoded) and<br>(@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<br><"20100128"                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24<br>10:29 |
| S134 | 1     | "8626820".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/24<br>10:42 |
| S135 | 1284  | information adj dispersal adj algorithm                                                                                                                                                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28<br>21:32 |
| S136 | 823   | information adj dispersal adj algorithm and<br>data near6 (slice slices portion section<br>segment) near8 metadata                                                                                         | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28<br>21:33 |
| S137 | 334   | information adj dispersal adj algorithm and<br>data near6 (slice slices portion section<br>segment) near8 metadata and (@pd<br>@prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28<br>21:33 |
| S138 | 338   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and<br>data near6 (slice slices portion section<br>segment) near8 metadata and (@pd<br>@prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                              | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28<br>21:34 |
| S139 | 305   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and<br>data near6 (slice slices portion section<br>segment) near8 metadata and error near6<br>(encoding encoded encode) and (@pd<br>@prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128" | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28<br>21:34 |
| S140 | 313   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and<br>data near6 (slice slices portion section<br>segment) near8 metadata and error near6<br>(encoding encoded encode) and (@pd<br>@prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128" | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/09/28<br>21:34 |
| S141 | 47    | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8<br>(share ) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10<br>15:49 |

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| S142 | 1     | "6690795".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10<br>16:28 |
| S143 | 9     | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8 (share ) and reed adj solomon and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10<br>16:31 |
| S144 | 15    | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8 (share ) and (reed adj solomon fec error adj correct\$) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10<br>16:32 |
| S145 | 5     | jigdfs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10<br>16:54 |
| S146 | 61384 | (G06F21/85 or G06F11/1076 or G06F3/0647 or G06F3/0619 or G06F3/067 or H04L67/1097 or H04N21/2347 or H04N21/8456 or G06F21/72 or H04N21/222 or H04L9/3242 or G06F21/80 or H04L65/604 or H04W12/02 or G06F11/1008 or G06F2221/2107 or G06F2211/1028).cpc. | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>09:53 |
| S147 | 1     | "7574579".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>11:09 |
| S148 | 0     | "7574579".pn. and error                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>11:11 |
| S149 | 1     | "7574579".pn. and integrity                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>11:11 |
| S150 | 0     | "7574579".pn. and (mac hmac)                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>11:11 |
| S151 | 1     | "7574579".pn. and (code)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13<br>11:11 |
| S152 | 1     | "20130272164".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>13:13 |
| S153 | 1     | "20170272942".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>13:13 |
| S154 | 0     | "20130272164".pn. and (pair pairing)                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>13:20 |
| S155 | 1     | "20170272942".pn. and (pair pairing)                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>13:21 |
| S156 | 456   | (dispersed distributed) adj storage adj network and encrypt\$ near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                        | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>14:09 |
| S157 | 278   | error near6 (encode encoding encoded) near8 (encrypted) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>16:28 |
| S158 | 466   | error near6 (encode encoding encoded) near8 (encrypted) and (@pd @prad @rlad                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB;          | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13<br>16:28 |

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| S159 | 1    | ("20040172371" ).pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 17:08 |
| S160 | 19   | (encrypted) near6 interspersed near3 error and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20140805"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:09 |
| S161 | 276  | (encrypted) near6 integrity near3 code and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20140805"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:57 |
| S162 | 185  | (encrypted) near6 integrity near3 code and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:57 |
| S163 | 32   | (intersper\$) near3 error near6 (correction correcting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20140805"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:12 |
| S164 | 38   | (intersper\$) near3 error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20140805"                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:13 |
| S165 | 23   | program near3 (id identifier ) and (cervetti.xa. cervetti.xp.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:17 |
| S166 | 1    | program near3 (id identifier ) and "20070263864".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:18 |
| S167 | 1    | program near3 (id identifier ) and "20030123664".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:21 |
| S168 | 12   | program near3 (id identifier ) and error and (cervetti.xa. cervetti.xp.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:22 |
| S169 | 981  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/16 13:11 |
| S170 | 1    | "8275132".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/17 07:57 |
| S171 | 5359 | data near5 (dispersal dispersion dispersing dispersed) and error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20140805"                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/17 09:06 |
| S173 | 76   | data near5 (dispersal dispersion dispersing dispersed) near8 (encrypt\$ crypto\$) and error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                 | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/17 09:07 |
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| S175 | 214  | (dispersed distributed disperse) adj storage adj network and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/07/08 11:13 |

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| S182 | 1659 | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error near5 (encrypt\$ decrypt\$ crypto\$ encod\$ decod\$)                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07 20:45 |
| S183 | 1658 | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error near5 (encod\$ decod\$)                                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07 20:45 |
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| S191 | 208  | reed adj solomon adj code and (distribution identity) adj matrix and galois                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB;       | OR | ON  | 2018/08/08 09:02 |

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to an office action dated July 02, 2019 regarding the above-captioned patent application, the Applicant respectfully submits the following amendment and response, which is being filed within three (3) months of the mailing date thereof.

The three (3) month due date for responding to the office action falls on October 02, 2019, and the Applicant respectfully asserts that this amendment and response being filed on or before October 02, 2019 is timely filed in accordance with M.P.E.P. §710.05, 35 U.S.C. §21, and 37 C.F.R. §1.7.

**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Original) A method comprises:

dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices;

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices;

obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and

outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprises:

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscating, by the computing device, the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and

obfuscating, by the computing device, the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of:

null data;

authentication information;

a next pseudo random output sequencing order;

a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier;

a next outputting threshold;

a random number generator output;

an encryption key;

a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order;

a device identifier;

a data identifier;

a data type;

a data size ~~indicator~~ indicator;

a priority indicator;

a security indicator; and

a performance indicator.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprises:

encrypting, by the computing device, the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices.

5. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprises:

encrypting, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data.

7. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and the plurality of data segments

is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices comprises:

interspersing, by the computing device, the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices.

9. (Original) A computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), the computing device comprises:

an interface;

memory; and

a processing module operably coupled to the memory and the interface, wherein the processing module is operable to:

dispersed storage error encode a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices;

dispersed storage error encode auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscate a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices;

obfuscate a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and

output the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage.

10. (Original) The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

dispersed storage error encode the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscate the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and

obfuscate the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

11. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 9, wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of:

null data;

authentication information;

a next pseudo random output sequencing order;

a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier;

a next outputting threshold;

a random number generator output;

an encryption key;

a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order;

a device identifier;

a data identifier;

a data type;  
a data size ~~indictor~~ indicator;  
a priority indicator;  
a security indicator; and  
a performance indicator.

12. (Original) The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and

dispersed storage error encode the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices.

13. (Original) The computing device of claim 12, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

encrypt the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and

dispersed storage error encode the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices.

14. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 13, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

encrypt the auxiliary data via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data.

15. (Original) The computing device of claim 13, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

encrypt the auxiliary data via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and encrypt the plurality of data segments via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments.

16. (Original) The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to obfuscate the first set of encoded data slices by:

interspersing the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

1. In the above referenced Office Action:
  - a. Status of the claims.
    - Claims 1-16 are pending;
    - Claims 1-16 are rejected;
    - Claims 3, 11 and 14 are objected to.
  - b. Claims 3 and 11 have been objected to for informalities;
  - c. Claim 14 has been objected to for informalities;
  - d. Claims 1-16 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created obviousness-type double patenting doctrine as being unpatentable over Patent No.'s (8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617 and 9128870);
  - e. Claims 1-16 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Casanova (U.S. Pub. No. 2008/0126357) and further in view of Michaelsen (U.S. Pub. No. 2005/0002531).

The rejections and objections have been traversed. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the allowability of claims 1-16.

2. Claims 3 and 11 have been objected to for informalities. The Applicant has amended claims 3 and 11 to overcome the present objection.

3. Claim 14 has been objected to for informalities. The Applicant has amended claim 14 to overcome the present objection.

4. Claims 1-16 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created obviousness-type double patenting doctrine as being unpatentable over Patent No.'s (8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617 and 9128870). The Applicant respectfully disagrees.

MPEP 804(II)(B)(2) states in part that:

“Any non-statutory double patenting rejection made under the obviousness analysis should make clear:

- (A) The differences between the inventions defined by the conflicting claims — a claim in the patent compared to a claim in the application; and
- (B) The reasons why a person of ordinary skill in the art would conclude that the invention defined in the claim at issue is anticipated by, or would have been an obvious variation of, the invention defined in a claim in the patent.

When considering whether the invention defined in a claim of an application would have been an obvious variation of the invention defined in the claim of a patent, the disclosure of the patent may not be used as prior art. *General Foods Corp. v. Studiengesellschaft Kohle mbH*, 972 F.2d 1272, 1279, 23 USPQ2d 1839, 1846 (Fed. Cir. 1992).”

The M.P.E.P. requires that an obviousness-type double patenting rejection should make clear the differences between the inventions defined by the conflicting claims — a claim in the patent compared to a claim in the application; and the reasons why a person of ordinary skill in the art would conclude that the invention defined in the claim at issue is anticipated by, or would have been an obvious variation of, the invention defined in a claim in the patent.

The Office Action has failed to make clear the differences between the inventions defined by the conflicting claims and the reasons why a person of ordinary skill in the art would conclude that the invention the reasons why a person of ordinary skill in the art would conclude that the invention defined in the claim at issue is anticipated by, or would have been an obvious variation of, the invention defined in a claim in the patent.

The Office Action only compares claim 1 of patent numbers 8959366 and 10282564 with claim 1 of the instant application and states that the claims of the conflicting patents and/or applications contain every element of claims 1-16 of the instant application and thus anticipate the claims of the instant application.

The Office Action fails to cite a claim from Patent No.’s 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617 and 9128870 or make clear the

differences between the inventions defined in Patent No.'s 8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617 and 9128870 and the current application as required by M.P.E.P 804. The Office Action also fails to provide reasons why a person of ordinary skill in the art would conclude that the invention defined in the claim at issue is anticipated by, or would have been an obvious variation of, the invention defined in a currently pending claim in the patent application as required by M.P.E.P. 804. As such, the Applicant requests that the rejection citing 8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617 and 9128870 be withdrawn.

5. Claims 1-16 have been rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Casanova (U.S. Pub. No. 2008/0126357) and further in view of Michaelsen (U.S. Pub. No. 2005/0002531). The Applicant respectfully disagrees with this rejection and the reasoning thereof.

Casanova teaches at paragraphs 23-31 a distributed file system that operates by partitioning a file into a plurality of fragments, preferably encrypting each fragment, and storing the fragments at a plurality of remote nodes in a network. To assure reliability, each fragment is redundantly stored at a plurality of nodes. For example, a user initiates a request to save or transmit a file. In response to the request, the device partitions the file into a plurality of fragments. The device then transmits the fragments to a variety of remote storage nodes. Optionally, each fragment is encrypted. Preferably, the method and system of invention provides for secure storage of each file; however, the degree of security may vary, depending upon the particular file being saved or transmitted. If a user is storing or transmitting a financial file, for example, each fragment will preferably be encrypted.

Casanova further teaches at paragraphs 53-60 storage and retrieval of fragments where a sending node is configured to send fragments of a file to a plurality of storage nodes and a receiving node is configured to retrieve the segments from one or more of the storage nodes and to create a copy of the original file. The sending node includes a segmenter that segments the file into fragments, and an optional encrytor that encrypts each segment. If the receiving user wants to access the file, the receiving node extracts the information in the file tracker to create a tracking

table that corresponds to the original tracking table at the sending node. A gatherer component is configured to download each fragment in the tracking table by requesting the fragment from one of the identified storage units, SUIDs, assigned to the fragment. If the selected storage unit is not available, or is notable to send the requested fragment, the gatherer selects another storage unit from the list of SUIDs for the fragment and tries again until the fragment is received from at least one of the storage units. If the fragment had been encrypted at the sending node, it is correspondingly decrypted by a decryptor at the receiving node. A collator arranges the fragments in their proper order and provides a copy of the original file.

As such Casanova teaches a distributed file system where files are partitioned into fragments, optionally encrypted, and stored across multiple storage units. Casanova does not teach dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices.

The Applicant's specification defines dispersed storage error encoding in paragraphs 49-50 and paragraphs 63-74. In summary, dispersed storage error encoding involves partitioning a data file into segments, error encoding each segment (e.g., forward error correction (FEC), information dispersal algorithm, or error correction coding) and slicing each error encoded segment into a plurality of error coded (EC) data slices. For example, if a Reed-Solomon (or other FEC scheme) is used in an  $n/k$  system, then a data segment is divided into  $n$  slices, where  $k$  number of slices is needed to reconstruct the original data (i.e.,  $k$  is the threshold). As a few specific examples, the  $n/k$  factor may be 5/3; 6/4; 8/6; 8/5; 16/10. In contrast, in Casanova, files are partitioned and optionally encrypted.

Further, Casanova does not teach dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices. In Casanova, the file is partitioned and stored. While fragments may be stored redundantly, this does not equate to dispersed storage error encoding auxiliary data (e.g., this is some type of extra data that does not include the file data) to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices.

Based on the above clarifications, the combination of Casanova and Michaelsen does not render the claims obvious. Therefore, the Applicant believes claims 1-16 overcome the present rejection.

**CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, the Applicant believes that claims 1-16 are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that they be passed to allowance.

The Applicant hereby rescinds any disclaimer of claim scope made in the parent application or any predecessor application in relation to the instant application. The Examiner is advised that any such previous disclaimer and the prior art that it was made to avoid, may need to be revisited. Further, the claims in the instant application may be broader than those of a parent application. Moreover, the Examiner should also be advised that any disclaimer made in the instant application should not be read into or against the parent application.

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## DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-16 are pending and have been examined.

### ***Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status***

2. The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

### ***Claim Objections***

3. Claims 3 and 11 are objected to because of the following informalities: “a data size indicator”.
4. Claim 14 is objected to because of the following informalities: “encrypt the auxiliary data an encryption”. The intended metes and bounds of the claim is unclear. Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Double Patenting***

5. Claims 1-16 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of Patent Nos. 8959366, 10282564, 8677214, 9076138, 9021263, 8649521, 8918897, 8744071, 8885821, 8782494, 8856617, and 9128870. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because

- “A method comprises: dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage” (claim 1, instant application) is analogous to
- “A method for execution by a processing module of a computing device, the method comprises: receiving a data object retrieval message regarding receiving a transmission from a particular source device; receiving, as the transmission, randomly ordered encoded slices from the particular source device; rearranging the randomly ordered encoded slices into first randomly ordered encoded data slices corresponding to data and a set of second randomly ordered encoded data slices corresponding to auxiliary data based on de-selection information; ordering the second randomly ordered encoded data slices into a set of encoded data slices in accordance with auxiliary data de-sequencing information; decoding the set of encoded data slices in accordance with operational parameters to produce auxiliary data; when the auxiliary data content corresponds to de-sequencing of the first randomly ordered encoded data slices, determining a pseudo random de-sequencing order for the first randomly ordered encoded data slices from the auxiliary data; ordering the first randomly ordered encoded data slices based on the pseudo-random de-sequencing order to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error decoding the plurality of sets of encoded data slices to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; decrypting the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce a plurality of data segments; and aggregating the plurality of data segments to produce the data” (claim 1, patent 8959366) and analogous to
- “A method comprising: receiving a data segment of a data stream; encrypting the data segment to produce an encrypted data segment; dispersed storage error encoding the encrypted data segment to produce a set of encoded data slices, wherein a threshold number of the encoded data slices of the set of encoded data slices are needed to recover the encrypted data segment; dispersed storage error encoding auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices; generating a sequence of output slices to obscure the set of encoded data slices by interspersing the set of encoded auxiliary data slices within the set of encoded data slices; and sending the sequence of output slices for storage in a distributed storage network (DSN)” (claim 1, patent 10282564).

6. This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims of the instant application have not in fact been patented.

7. The claims of the conflicting patents and/or applications contain every element of claims 1-16 of the instant application and thus anticipate the claims of the instant application. Claims 1-16 of the instant application therefore are not patently distinct from the copending application claims and as such are unpatentable for obvious-type double patenting. A later patent/application claim is not patentably distinct from an earlier claim if the later claim is anticipated by the earlier claim.

8. "A later patent claim is not patentably distinct from an earlier patent claim if the later claim is obvious over, or anticipated by, the earlier claim. In re Longi, 759 F.2d at 896, 225 USPQ at 651 (affirming a holding of obviousness-type double patenting because the claims at issue were obvious over claims in four prior art patents); In re Berg, 140 F.3d at 1437, 46 USPQ2d at 1233 (Fed. Cir. 1998) (affirming a holding of obviousness-type double patenting where a patent application claim to a genus is anticipated by a patent claim to a species with that genus). "ELI LILLY AND COMPANY v BARR LABORATORIES, INC., United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, ON PETITION FOR REHEARING EN BANC (DECIDED: May 30, 2001).

9. "Claim 12 and Claim 13 are generic to the species of invention covered by claim 3 of the patent. Thus, the generic invention is "anticipated" by the species of the patented invention. Cf., Titanium Metals Corp. v. Banner, 778 F.2d 775, 227 USPQ 773 (Fed. Cir. 1985) (holding that an earlier species disclosure in the prior art defeats any generic claim) 4. This court's predecessor has held that, without a terminal disclaimer, the species claims preclude issuance of the generic claim. In re Van Ornum, 686 F.2d 937, 944, 214 USPQ 761, 767 (CCPA 1982); Schneller, 397 F.2d at 354. Accordingly, absent a terminal disclaimer, claims 12 and 13 were properly rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting." (In re Goodman (CA FC) 29 USPQ2d 2010 (12/3/1993).

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

10. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

**11. Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Casanova (20080126357), and further in view of Michaelsen (20050002531).**

**Regarding claims 1 and 9**, Casanova teaches dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices; dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices (par.14-15, 22-31,51-60); and

outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of encoded data slices for storage (par.57-61).

Casanova does not expressly disclose, however Michaelsen teaches obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices; obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage (par.9-19, 105-135, 140-150).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to apply the teachings of Michaelsen to the system of Casanova.

One of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to perform such a modification to further increase complexity for unintended recipients to access content (Michaelsen, par.3-19, 100-150).

**Regarding claims 2 and 10**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices (Casanova, par.26-40, 55-60);

obfuscating, by the computing device, the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and obfuscating, by the computing device, the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices (Michaelsen, par.9-19, 105-135, 140-150).

**Regarding claims 3 and 11**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of: null data; authentication information; a next pseudo random output sequencing order; a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier; a next outputting threshold; a random number generator output; an encryption key; a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order; a device identifier; a data identifier; a data type; a data size indicator; a priority indicator; a security indicator; and a performance indicator (Casanova, par.26-42, 55-60, Michaelsen, 120-130).

**Regarding claims 4 and 12**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches encrypting, by the computing device, the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 5 and 13**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches encrypting, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 6 and 14**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data (Casanova, par.14, 26-42, 55-60).

**Regarding claims 7 and 15**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and the plurality of data segments is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments (Casanova, par. 14-15, 22-31,51-60, Michaelsen, 142-150).

**Regarding claims 8 and 16**, Casanova/ Michaelsen teaches wherein the obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices comprises: interspersing, by the computing device, the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices (Michaelsen, 14-20, 120-130, 142-150).

### ***Conclusion***

12. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Garcia Cervetti whose telephone number is (571)272-5861. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM.

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... than planning when the design diagrams are interpreted consistently across geographically **dispersed** organizations ... Automation of labor-intensive and **error**-prone development tasks results in additional ... a 3X reduction in defects, which is also borne out by the **data**: In Figure 6 ...

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| S4    | 49   | ("5126964"   "5930466"   "8046044"   "8046044"   "8225233"   "20060079755"   "20100156761"   "20120011474"   "3774161"   "3886359"   "4056846"   "4138721"   "4216526"   "4228468"   "4228495"   "4258273"   "4279199"   "4342916"   "4378022"   "4404684"   "4418383"   "4458203"   "4468748"   "4472818"   "4479205"   "4555763"   "4557019"   "4559597"   "4580215"   "4582491"   "4608977"   "4630193"   "4630202"   "4631585"   "4651096"   "4674046"   "4707661"   "4718432"   "4731839"   "4733187"   "4739308"   "4739352"   "4742480"   "4748887"   "4751587"   "4763279"   "4767992"   "4789929"   "4791590"   "4817187").PN.                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR               | OFF     | 2012/12/08 21:57 |
| S5    | 44   | ("20110182424"   "20110182429"   "20110185193"   "20020016961"   "20030028879"   "20100266120"   "20100269008"   "20100287200"   "20110026842"   "20110029742"   "20110029809"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110072321"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110083053"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110072321"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110083053"   "20110107027"   "20110107165"   "20110107180"   "20110107181"   "20110107184"   "20110107185"   "20110107380"   "20110122523"   "20110125771"   "20110126026"   "20110126295"   "20110161655"   "20110161680"   "20110161681"   "20110161781"   "20110184997"   "20110185253"   "20110185258"   "20110213929"   "20110214011"   "20110225362" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR               | OFF     | 2012/12/08 21:57 |

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| S6  | 1      | "20110185193".pn. and (aont<br>transformation)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>12:49 |
| S7  | 158    | (aont nothing near4 transformation)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>12:50 |
| S8  | 63     | (aont nothing near4 transformation) and<br>(encrypt\$ crypto\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>12:50 |
| S9  | 63     | (US-20120255035-\$ or US-20120255034-\$<br>or US-20120226904-\$ or US-20120222134-\$<br>or US-20120221856-\$ or US-<br>20120221855-\$ or US-20120221854-\$ or<br>US-20120198241-\$ or US-20120179916-\$<br>or US-20120173883-\$ or US-20120170750-\$<br>or US-20120166818-\$ or US-<br>20120166815-\$ or US-20120166576-\$ or<br>US-20120159197-\$ or US-20120124366-\$<br>or US-20120110346-\$ or US-20120072723-\$<br>or US-20120054747-\$ or US-<br>20110314346-\$ or US-20110314154-\$ or<br>US-20110314072-\$ or US-20110314058-\$<br>or US-20110311051-\$ or US-20110296440-\$<br>or US-20110258439-\$).did. or (US-<br>20110246817-\$ or US-20110246766-\$ or<br>US-20110202763-\$ or US-20110202755-\$<br>or US-20110185193-\$ or US-20110182429-\$<br>or US-20110182424-\$ or US-<br>20110107112-\$ or US-20100299313-\$ or<br>US-20100269008-\$ or US-20100268966-\$<br>or US-20100266120-\$ or US-20100266119-\$<br>or US-20100098255-\$ or US-<br>20090177894-\$ or US-20090158052-\$ or<br>US-20090097661-\$ or US-20080183992-\$<br>or US-20070226145-\$ or US-20070219915-\$<br>or US-20070160198-\$ or US-<br>20060177061-\$ or US-20050118141-\$ or<br>US-20040141613-\$).did. or (US-8320560-\$<br>or US-8300828-\$ or US-8271802-\$ or US-<br>8266438-\$ or US-8135134-\$ or US-<br>8121294-\$ or US-8060877-\$ or US-<br>8009830-\$ or US-7913093-\$ or US-<br>7840487-\$ or US-7457419-\$ or US-<br>7260820-\$ or US-7220891-\$).did. | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>12:51 |
| S10 | 63     | S9 and S7                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>12:52 |
| S11 | 138668 | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>14:51 |
| S12 | 138667 | (desequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj<br>sequence sequence sequencing) near5<br>order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>14:52 |
| S13 | 17416  | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram frame)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2012/12/09<br>14:52 |
| S14 | 2808   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-                    | OR | ON  | 2012/12/09          |

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|     |     | sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame)                                                                                                                                                             | PGPUB;<br>USPAT        |    |    | 14:53               |
| S15 | 37  | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame) near8 (ordering<br>reordering re-order)                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/09<br>14:54 |
| S16 | 474 | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame) near8 (ordering<br>reordering order re-order)                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/09<br>14:54 |
| S17 | 3   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame) near8 (ordering<br>reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj<br>transformation disper\$ near4 storage near4<br>error) | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/09<br>16:12 |
| S18 | 3   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame) near8 (ordering<br>reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj<br>transformation disper\$ near4 error)                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/09<br>16:12 |
| S19 | 338 | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8<br>(packet slice data message datagram<br>segment block frame) near8 (ordering<br>reordering order re-order) and (nothing adj<br>transformation error crc)                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10<br>08:29 |
| S20 | 205 | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10<br>08:32 |
| S23 | 174 | dispers\$ adj storage near4 error near5<br>(encrypt\$ decrypt\$ crypto\$ encod\$<br>decod\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10<br>08:33 |
| S24 | 5   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj<br>sequencing de adj sequence sequence<br>sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet<br>slice data message datagram segment<br>block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2012/12/10<br>12:43 |

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|     |      | (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (dispers\$ near4 storage)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                 |    |     |                  |
| S25 | 38   | (desequenc\$ de-sequenc\$ de adj sequencing de adj sequence sequence sequencing) near5 order near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near8 (packet slice data message datagram segment block frame) near8 (ordering reordering order re-order) and (distribut\$ near4 storage)                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2012/12/10 12:45 |
| S26 | 9128 | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information )                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24 15:28 |
| S27 | 980  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata)                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24 15:28 |
| S28 | 77   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (reorder\$)                                                      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24 15:29 |
| S29 | 263  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (assemble assembling)                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24 21:55 |
| S30 | 260  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (assemble assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24 22:11 |
| S31 | 4186 | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24 22:24 |
| S32 | 1295 | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24 22:24 |
| S33 | 2124 | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24 22:24 |
| S34 | 1    | "7457415".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-             | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24       |

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| S35 | 37  | ("4736420"   "4742544"   "4947447"  <br>"5014310"   "5049990"   "5113443"  <br>"5195134"   "5351299"   "5392072"  <br>"5420866"   "5479512"   "5546461"  <br>"5621799"   "5625416"   "5701391"  <br>"5706346"   "5734755"   "5764994"  <br>"5802520"   "5926624"   "6035068"  <br>"6041160"   "6061451"   "6064748"  <br>"6081785"   "6101195"   "6157606"  <br>"6266299"   "6285774"   "6349088"  <br>"6392705"   "6529553").PN. OR<br>("7457415").URPN. | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT;<br>USOCR | OR | OFF | 2013/03/24<br>22:28 |
| S36 | 24  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2013/03/24<br>23:22 |
| S37 | 502 | cleversafe.as.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:43 |
| S38 | 135 | cleversafe.as.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | USPAT                            | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:44 |
| S39 | 24  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>08:58 |
| S40 | 24  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20101128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:44 |
| S41 | 24  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame ) and (frame )<br>near6 (sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (frame ) near8 (assemble<br>assembling) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                               | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:45 |
| S42 | 132 | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame slice ) same<br>(sequence sequencing index auxiliary<br>metadata) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad<br>@ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:46 |
| S43 | 0   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo<br>adj random\$) near8 (order ordered<br>ordering) near6 (frame slice ) and<br>transmit\$ near6 (index ) near8 content and<br>(@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<br>< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT           | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15<br>09:48 |
| S44 | 2   | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-                              | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15          |

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| S45 | 1669 | G06F11/1008.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15 10:09 |
| S46 | 1294 | G06F21/72.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15 10:09 |
| S47 | 1163 | G06F21/80.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15 10:10 |
| S48 | 1258 | G06F21/85.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15 10:10 |
| S49 | 743  | H04L9/3242.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/05/15 10:10 |
| S50 | 742  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:24 |
| S51 | 405  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm.                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:24 |
| S52 | 332  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in.                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:25 |
| S56 | 27   | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and error.clm. and data adj slice and encrypted.clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in.                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:27 |
| S57 | 30   | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and error.clm. and data adj slice and (encrypted encrypt encrypting).clm. and (encode encoded encoding).clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in.      | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:27 |
| S58 | 5    | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and error.clm. and data adj slice.clm. and (encrypted encrypt encrypting).clm. and (encode encoded encoding).clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:30 |
| S59 | 5365 | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:47 |
| S60 | 1545 | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:47 |
| S61 | 2686 | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2014/10/05 11:47 |
| S62 | 1781 | G06F11/1008.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05 11:48 |
| S63 | 1402 | G06F21/72.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-             | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05       |

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| S64 | 1185  | G06F21/80.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05<br>11:48 |
| S65 | 1332  | G06F21/85.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05<br>11:48 |
| S66 | 806   | H04L9/3242.cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05<br>11:48 |
| S67 | 4     | (G06F21/85 and H04N21/2347 and H04N21/222 and H04N21/8456 and H04L9/3242 and G06F21/72 and G06F21/80 and H04L67/1097 and H04L65/604 and G06F2211/1028 and H04W12/02 and G06F2221/2107 and G06F11/1008).cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05<br>11:51 |
| S68 | 23270 | (G06F21/85 H04N21/2347 H04N21/222 H04N21/8456 H04L9/3242 G06F21/72 G06F21/80 H04L67/1097 H04L65/604 G06F2211/1028 H04W12/02 G06F2221/2107 G06F11/1008).cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2014/10/05<br>11:51 |
| S72 | 1627  | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:42 |
| S73 | 39916 | (G06F21/85 or G06F3/067 or G06F3/0647 or G06F11/1076 or G06F3/0619 or H04L67/1097 or G06F21/72 or H04N21/222 or G06F21/80 or H04N21/8456 or H04L9/3242 or H04N21/2347 or H04L65/604 or H04W12/02 or G06F2211/1028 or G06F11/1008 or G06F2221/2107).cpc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:42 |
| S74 | 5962  | 713/193.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:43 |
| S75 | 44    | ("20110214011"   "20110213928"   "20110213929"   "20030225970"   "20060010290"   "20070294565"   "20110225451"   "20010026677"   "20050031042"   "20100260262"   "20100268692"   "20100332751"   "20110026842"   "20110029711"   "20110029742"   "20110029809"   "20110029836"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110078774"   "20110083053"   "20110055661"   "20110072210"   "20110078080"   "20110078373"   "20110078774"   "20110083053"   "20110106855"   "20110106904"   "20110106972"   "20110106973"   "20110107026"   "20110107027"   "20110107036"   "20110107078"   "20110107094"   "20110107113"   "20110107165"   "20110107180"   "20110107181"   "20110107182"   "20110107184"   "20110107185"   "20110107380"   "20110122523"   "20110125771" | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25<br>21:43 |

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| S76 | 4000 | 380/28.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:43 |
| S77 | 549  | 380/268.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:43 |
| S78 | 1097 | 380/279.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:43 |
| S79 | 46   | ("7505535"   "7207224"   "7907722"   "7907722"   "8098952"   "9125609"   "4882737"   "5148479"   "5373372"   "5430830"   "5602638"   "5768159"   "7200233"   "7483058"   "7774272"   "7792067"   "7933218"   "8014479"   "8085283"   "7933218"   "8014479"   "8085283"   "8094813"   "8300809"   "8379523"   "8429414"   "8437870"   "8588423"   "8670430"   "8891370"   "8924983"   "8983787"   "9064438"   "3555184"   "3555195"   "3555204"   "3555251"   "3555255"   "3555259"   "3556007"   "3557308"   "3557314"   "3557349"   "3557354"   "3557355"   "3557357"   "3557673"   "3558811"   "3558820"   "3558823").PN. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:44 |
| S80 | 4044 | S75 S76                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:44 |
| S81 | 90   | S75 S79                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:44 |
| S82 | 2450 | 714/763.ccls.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/25 21:46 |
| S83 | 479  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice) near8 stream                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25 21:53 |
| S84 | 609  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet) near8 stream                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25 21:53 |
| S85 | 499  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet) near8 stream and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25 21:53 |
| S86 | 105  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) near8 stream and encrypt\$ near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section)and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25 21:54 |
| S87 | 105  | (desequencing de-sequencing de near3 sequencing sequencing interspersing) near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) near8 stream and encrypt\$ near5 (data slice packet segment part portion section) and (@pd @prad @rlad                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2015/09/25 21:54 |

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| S88  | 13930 | reed adj solomon adj code                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:31 |
| S89  | 0     | reed adj solomon adj code and distribution<br>adj matrix and identity adj matrix                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:33 |
| S90  | 6     | reed adj solomon adj code and distribution<br>adj matrix                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:33 |
| S93  | 26    | reed adj solomon adj code and (distribution<br>identity) adj matrix and galois and<br>(disperse dispersed distributed) near6<br>storage                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:35 |
| S94  | 1     | "8959366".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:37 |
| S95  | 33    | distributed adj storage and (random\$<br>pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6<br>(slice packet segment) and (obfuscate\$<br>obscure\$ unintelligible\$) near6 (slice packet<br>segment)                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>11:57 |
| S96  | 1752  | distributed adj storage and (random\$<br>pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6<br>(slice packet segment)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>12:10 |
| S97  | 666   | distributed adj storage adj network and<br>(random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$<br>order\$) near6 (slice packet segment)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>12:10 |
| S98  | 237   | distributed adj storage adj network and<br>(random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$<br>order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and<br>(@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<br>< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>12:10 |
| S99  | 1     | distributed adj storage.clm. and (random\$<br>pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6<br>(slice packet segment) and (obfuscate\$<br>obscure\$ unintelligible\$) near6 (slice packet<br>segment)                                                                                                                                                                | USPAT              | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>13:03 |
| S100 | 11    | distributed adj storage and (random\$<br>pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6<br>(slice packet segment) and (obfuscate\$<br>obscure\$ unintelligible\$) near6 (slice packet<br>segment)                                                                                                                                                                     | USPAT              | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>13:04 |
| S104 | 134   | (dispersed distributed) adj storage adj<br>network and encrypt\$ near6 (data content)<br>near6 (slice segment part portion section<br>packet) and (order ordering ordered<br>reorder reordered reordering sequence<br>sequencing) near6 (data content) near6<br>(slice segment part portion section packet)<br>and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<br>< "20100128" | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>13:12 |
| S105 | 2814  | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed<br>distributed) near6 (storage store storing<br>stored)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>14:12 |
| S106 | 1346  | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed<br>distributed) near6 (storage store storing<br>stored) and (order ordering ordered<br>reorder reordered reordering sequence                                                                                                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27<br>14:12 |

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|      |      | sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                 |    |    |                  |
| S107 | 1037 | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored) and (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (error near3 (code encode coding encoding) parity near3 check)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:13 |
| S108 | 39   | reed adj solomon and (disperse dispersed distributed) near6 (storage store storing stored) and (random\$ pseudorandom\$) near8 (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (error near3 (code encode coding encoding) parity near3 check)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 14:14 |
| S109 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and readable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:11 |
| S110 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and (media medium)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:12 |
| S111 | 1    | "20140344645".pn. and nothing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:42 |
| S112 | 0    | "all or nothing"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:43 |
| S113 | 78   | ("20020062422"   "20020166079"   "20030018927"   "20030037261"   "20030065617"   "20030084020"   "20040024963"   "20040122917"   "20040215998"   "20040228493"   "20050100022"   "20050114594"   "20050125593"   "20050131993"   "20050132070"   "20050144382"   "20050229069"   "20060047907"   "20060136448"   "20060156059"   "20060224603"   "20070079081"   "20070079082"   "20070079083"   "20070088970"   "20070174192"   "20070214285"   "20070234110"   "20070283167"   "20090094251"   "20090094318"   "20100023524"   "4092732"   "5454101"   "5485474"   "5774643"   "5802364"   "5809285"   "5890156"   "5987622"   "5991414"   "6012159"   "6058454"   "6128277"   "6175571"   "6192472"   "6256688"   "6272658"   "6301604"   "6356949"   "6366995"   "6374336"   "6415373"   "6418539"   "6449688"   "6567948"   "6571282"   "6609223"   "6718361"   "6760808"   "6785768"   "6785783"   "6826711"   "6879596"   "7003688"   "7024451"   "7024609"   "7080101"   "7103824"   "7103915"   "7111115"   "7140044"   "7146644"   "7171493"   "7222133"   "7240236"   "7272613" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2015/09/27 17:51 |

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|      |       | "7636724").PN.                                                                                                                                                          |                        |    |     |                     |
| S114 | 338   | ("5485474").URPN.                                                                                                                                                       | USPAT                  | OR | OFF | 2015/09/27<br>18:33 |
| S115 | 1     | "8626820".pn.                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2015/09/27<br>20:43 |
| S116 | 0     | "20080263113".pn. and error                                                                                                                                             | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>21:55 |
| S117 | 1     | "20080263113".pn.                                                                                                                                                       | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>21:56 |
| S118 | 5     | dispersed near4 storage near4 error and<br>encoding near4 auxiliary near4 data                                                                                          | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>22:16 |
| S119 | 43    | distributed near4 storage and error near4<br>encoding and auxiliary near4 data                                                                                          | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/18<br>22:20 |
| S120 | 32    | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 slice                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S121 | 36    | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 (slice portion section<br>part segment)                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S122 | 36    | (distributed dispersed) near4 storage and<br>error near4 encoding and auxiliary near4<br>data and data near4 (slice portion section<br>part segment fragment)           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:21 |
| S123 | 573   | information adj dispersal and error adj<br>encoding                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:34 |
| S125 | 151   | information adj dispersal and encrypt\$ and<br>error adj encoding and (@pd @prad @rlad<br>@ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                        | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/18<br>22:42 |
| S126 | 5933  | 713/189.ccls.                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19<br>21:56 |
| S127 | 1632  | 713/194.ccls.                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19<br>21:56 |
| S128 | 2927  | 380/270.ccls.                                                                                                                                                           | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/19<br>21:56 |
| S129 | 30886 | (G06F21/85 H04N21/2347 H04N21/222<br>H04N21/8456 H04L9/3242 G06F21/72<br>G06F21/80 H04L67/1097 H04L65/604<br>G06F2211/1028 H04W12/02<br>G06F2221/2107 G06F11/1008).cpc. | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/19<br>21:59 |
| S130 | 1     | "20080263113".pn.                                                                                                                                                       | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/24<br>09:47 |
| S131 | 77    | (intersper\$ scatter\$ intermix\$ ) near6 (slice<br>packet datagram) near8 (encrypted<br>encoded)                                                                       | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24<br>10:03 |
| S132 | 70    | (intersper\$ scatter\$ intermix\$ ) near6 (slice<br>packet datagram) near8 (encrypted                                                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;          | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24<br>10:04 |

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|      |       | encoded) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                     | USPAT           |    |     |                  |
| S133 | 23    | (random\$ pseudorandom\$ ) near6 (order ordering ordered) near6 (slice packet datagram) near8 (encrypted encoded) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20100128"                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/03/24 10:29 |
| S134 | 1     | "8626820".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/03/24 10:42 |
| S135 | 1284  | information adj dispersal adj algorithm                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28 21:32 |
| S136 | 823   | information adj dispersal adj algorithm and data near6 (slice slices portion section segment) near8 metadata                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28 21:33 |
| S137 | 334   | information adj dispersal adj algorithm and data near6 (slice slices portion section segment) near8 metadata and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                 | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28 21:33 |
| S138 | 338   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and data near6 (slice slices portion section segment) near8 metadata and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28 21:34 |
| S139 | 305   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and data near6 (slice slices portion section segment) near8 metadata and error near6 (encoding encoded encode) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2016/09/28 21:34 |
| S140 | 313   | ( data information ) near3 dispersal and data near6 (slice slices portion section segment) near8 metadata and error near6 (encoding encoded encode) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/09/28 21:34 |
| S141 | 47    | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8 (share ) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10 15:49 |
| S142 | 1     | "6690795".pn.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10 16:28 |
| S143 | 9     | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8 (share ) and reed adj solomon and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10 16:31 |
| S144 | 15    | threshold near8 (recover\$ recreat\$) near8 (share ) and (reed adj solomon fec error adj correct\$) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10 16:32 |
| S145 | 5     | jigdfs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2016/10/10 16:54 |
| S146 | 61384 | (G06F21/85 or G06F11/1076 or G06F3/0647 or G06F3/0619 or G06F3/067 or H04L67/1097 or H04N21/2347 or H04N21/8456 or G06F21/72 or H04N21/222 or H04L9/3242 or G06F21/80 or H04L65/604 or H04W12/02 or G06F11/1008 or G06F2221/2107 or G06F2211/1028).cpc. | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 09:53 |

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| S147 | 1   | "7574579".pn.                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 11:09 |
| S148 | 0   | "7574579".pn. and error                                                                                                                                                         | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 11:11 |
| S149 | 1   | "7574579".pn. and integrity                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 11:11 |
| S150 | 0   | "7574579".pn. and (mac hmac)                                                                                                                                                    | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 11:11 |
| S151 | 1   | "7574579".pn. and (code)                                                                                                                                                        | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/02/13 11:11 |
| S152 | 1   | "20130272164".pn.                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 13:13 |
| S153 | 1   | "20170272942".pn.                                                                                                                                                               | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 13:13 |
| S154 | 0   | "20130272164".pn. and (pair pairing)                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 13:20 |
| S155 | 1   | "20170272942".pn. and (pair pairing)                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 13:21 |
| S156 | 456 | (dispersed distributed) adj storage adj network and encrypt\$ near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128" | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 14:09 |
| S157 | 278 | error near6 (encode encoding encoded) near8 (encrypted) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 16:28 |
| S158 | 466 | error near6 (encode encoding encoded) near8 (encrypted) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20140805"                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 16:28 |
| S159 | 1   | ("20040172371" ).pn.                                                                                                                                                            | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 17:08 |
| S160 | 19  | (encrypted) near6 interspersed near3 error and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20140805"                                                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:09 |
| S161 | 276 | (encrypted) near6 integrity near3 code and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20140805"                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:57 |
| S162 | 185 | (encrypted) near6 integrity near3 code and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) <"20100128"                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 20:57 |
| S163 | 32  | (intersper\$) near3 error near6 (correction correcting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20140805"                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:12 |
| S164 | 38  | (intersper\$) near3 error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20140805"                                                          | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13 21:13 |
| S165 | 23  | program near3 (id identifier ) and                                                                                                                                              | US-             | OR | ON  | 2018/02/13       |

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| S169 | 981  | (distributed dispersed ) adj storage adj network.clm. and (grube markison resch leggette).in.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/16<br>13:11 |
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| S171 | 5359 | data near5 (dispersal dispersion dispersing dispersed) and error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20140805"                                                                                                                                                                                            | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/17<br>09:06 |
| S173 | 76   | data near5 (dispersal dispersion dispersing dispersed) near8 (encrypt\$ crypto\$) and error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128"                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/02/17<br>09:07 |
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| S175 | 214  | (dispersed distributed disperse) adj storage adj network and (encrypt\$ crypto\$) near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (order ordering ordered reorder reordered reordering sequence sequencing) near6 (data content) near6 (slice segment part portion section packet) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20100128" | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/07/08<br>11:13 |
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| S177 | 201  | data near5 (dispersal dispersion dispersing dispersed) near8 (encrypt\$ crypto\$) and error near6 (correction correcting detection detecting) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)<"20140805"                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/06<br>17:09 |
| S178 | 550  | reed adj solomon adj code and (distribution identity) adj matrix                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>10:44 |
| S179 | 0    | rehm.xp.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>10:50 |
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| S182 | 1659 | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error near5 (encrypt\$ decrypt\$ crypto\$ encod\$ decod\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>20:45 |
| S183 | 1658 | dispers\$ near5 storage near4 error near5 (encod\$ decod\$)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>20:45 |
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| S185 | 1116 | speed near4 light near4 faster                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>20:59 |
| S186 | 588  | speed near4 light near4 faster and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)> "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/07<br>21:00 |
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| S189 | 312  | distributed adj storage adj network and (random\$ pseudorandom\$ reorder\$ order\$) near6 (slice packet segment) and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad) < "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                    | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/08/07<br>22:02 |
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| S191 | 208  | reed adj solomon adj code and (distribution identity) adj matrix and galois                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/08<br>09:02 |
| S192 | 401  | (random randomly pseudorandom\$ pseudo adj random\$) near8 (order ordered ordering) near6 (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near6 (auxiliary metadata) and (frame datagram packet slice content data information ) near8 (assemble assembling) | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/08/08<br>09:57 |
| S193 | 46   | laforgia.xa.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/08/08<br>21:17 |
| S194 | 368  | laforgia.xp.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | OFF | 2018/08/08<br>21:17 |
| S195 | 248  | information adj dispersal and error adj encoding and (@pd @prad @rlad @ptad @ad)< "20100128"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-<br>PGPUB;<br>USPAT | OR | ON  | 2018/08/09<br>08:38 |
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| S202 | 152   | (dispersed dispersing disperse dispersion) near6 (encode encoded encoding) and (obfuscate obfuscating obfuscated obfuscation)                                                                                                                                                                                     | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | OFF | 2019/06/26 09:20 |
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| S213 | 291  | vmac and wireless                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2019/06/26 10:07 |
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| S219 | 1654 | dispersed adj storage adj error adj encoding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | US-PGPUB; USPAT | OR | ON | 2019/06/26 12:09 |
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Title of Invention: **SECURE DATA TRANSMISSION UTILIZING DISTRIBUTED STORAGE**

As a below named and undersigned inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is directed to the attached application, or (if following box is checked):

☒ United States application or PCT international application number 16/197,275 filed on 11/20/2018.

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

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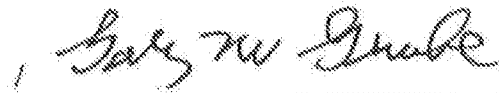
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The present application claims priority, as a continuation, continuation-in-part, or a divisional of U.S. Utility Application No. 14/452,182, filed 8/5/2014, co-pending, entitled “DISTRIBUTED STORAGE WITH AUXILIARY DATA INTERSPERSAL AND METHOD FOR USE THEREWITH,” may also claim priority to one or more other applications and/or patents, and may be related to other applications and/or related patents, as detailed within the Application Data Sheet and/or the Specification of the present application along with any other applications and/or patents that claim priority from any of the foregoing (collectively, “Predecessor Applications”).

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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method includes dispersed storage error encoding a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices and dispersed storage error encoding auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices. The method further includes obfuscating a first set  
5 of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices. The method further includes obfuscating a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data  
10 slices. The method further includes outputting the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage.

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method comprises:

5 dispersed storage error encoding, by a computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices;

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

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obfuscating, by the computing device, a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices;

15 obfuscating, by the computing device, a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and

20 outputting, by the computing device, the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprises:

25 dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscating, by the computing device, the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and

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obfuscating, by the computing device, the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

5     3.     The method of claim 1, wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of:

null data;

authentication information;

a next pseudo random output sequencing order;

10    a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier;

a next outputting threshold;

a random number generator output;

an encryption key;

a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order;

15    a device identifier;

a data identifier;

a data type;

a data size indicator;

a priority indicator;

20    a security indicator; and

a performance indicator.

4.     The method of claim 1 further comprises:

25    encrypting, by the computing device, the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and

dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices.

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5. The method of claim 4 further comprises:

encrypting, by the computing device, the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and

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dispersed storage error encoding, by the computing device, the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data.

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7. The method of claim 5, wherein the auxiliary data is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and the plurality of data segments is encrypted via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments.

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8. The method of claim 1, wherein the obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices comprises:

interspersing, by the computing device, the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices.

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9. A computing device of a dispersed storage network (DSN), the computing device comprises:

an interface;

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memory; and

a processing module operably coupled to the memory and the interface, wherein the processing module is operable to:

10 dispersed storage error encode a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices;

dispersed storage error encode auxiliary data to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

15 obfuscate a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices;

obfuscate a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices; and

20 output the first and second sets of obfuscated encoded data slices for storage.

10. The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

25 dispersed storage error encode the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices;

obfuscate the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices; and

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obfuscate the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

5 11. The computing device of claim 9, wherein the auxiliary data comprises one or more of:

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authentication information;

a next pseudo random output sequencing order;

10 a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier;

a next outputting threshold;

a random number generator output;

an encryption key;

a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order;

15 a device identifier;

a data identifier;

a data type;

a data size indicator;

a priority indicator;

20 a security indicator; and

a performance indicator.

12. The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

25 encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of encrypted data segments; and

dispersed storage error encode the plurality of encrypted data segments to produce the plurality of sets of encoded data slices.

13. The computing device of claim 12, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

encrypt the auxiliary data to produce encrypted auxiliary data; and

5 dispersed storage error encode the encrypted auxiliary data to produce the set of encoded auxiliary data slices.

14. The computing device of claim 13, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

10 encrypt the auxiliary data an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of data segments to produce the encrypted auxiliary data.

15. The computing device of claim 13, wherein the processing module is further operable to:

15 encrypt the auxiliary data via an all or nothing transformation to produce the encrypted auxiliary data and encrypt the plurality of data segments via an all or nothing transformation to produce the plurality of encrypted data segments.

20 16. The computing device of claim 9, wherein the processing module is further operable to obfuscate the first set of encoded data slices by:

interspersing the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order to produce the first set of obfuscated  
25 encoded data slices.

## **TITLE OF APPLICATION**

SECURE DATA TRANSMISSION UTILIZING DISTRIBUTED STORAGE

## **CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

**[0001]** This application claims priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 120 as a continuation-in-part of U.S. Utility Application No. 14/452,182, entitled “DISTRIBUTED STORAGE WITH AUXILIARY DATA INTERSPERSAL AND METHOD FOR USE THEREWITH,” filed 08/05/2014, which claims priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 120 as a continuation of U.S. Utility Application No. 12/954,880, entitled “DE-SEQUENCING ENCODED DATA SLICES,” filed 11/28/2010, issued as U.S. Patent No. 8,959,366 on 02/17/2015, which claims priority pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/299,245, entitled “SECURE DATA TRANSMISSION UTILIZING DISTRIBUTED STORAGE,” filed 01/28/2010, all of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety and made part of the present U.S. Utility Patent Application for all purposes.

## **STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT**

**[0002]** Not Applicable.

## **INCORPORATION-BY-REFERENCE OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED ON A COMPACT DISC**

**[0003]** Not Applicable.

## **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

### **TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

**[0004]** This invention relates generally to computer networks and more particularly to dispersing error encoded data.

## **DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART**

**[0005]** Computing devices are known to communicate data, process data, and/or store data. Such computing devices range from wireless smart phones, laptops, tablets, personal computers (PC), work stations, and video game devices, to data centers that support millions of web searches, stock trades, or on-line purchases every day. In general, a computing device includes a central

processing unit (CPU), a memory system, user input/output interfaces, peripheral device interfaces, and an interconnecting bus structure.

**[0006]** As is further known, a computer may effectively extend its CPU by using “cloud computing” to perform one or more computing functions (e.g., a service, an application, an algorithm, an arithmetic logic function, etc.) on behalf of the computer. Further, for large services, applications, and/or functions, cloud computing may be performed by multiple cloud computing resources in a distributed manner to improve the response time for completion of the service, application, and/or function. For example, Hadoop is an open source software framework that supports distributed applications enabling application execution by thousands of computers.

**[0007]** In addition to cloud computing, a computer may use “cloud storage” as part of its memory system. As is known, cloud storage enables a user, via its computer, to store files, applications, etc. on an Internet storage system. The Internet storage system may include a RAID (redundant array of independent disks) system and/or a dispersed storage system that uses an error correction scheme to encode data for storage.

**[0008]** Additional layers of security may be required when dispersed storage error encoding data for distributed storage depending on the type of data and/or user.

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S)**

**[0009]** Figure 1 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a computing system in accordance with the invention;

**[0010]** Figure 2 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a computing core in accordance with the invention;

**[0011]** Figure 3 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a distributed storage processing unit in accordance with the invention;

**[0012]** Figure 4 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a grid module in accordance with the invention;

**[0013]** Figure 5 is a diagram of an example embodiment of error coded data slice creation in accordance with the invention;

**[0014]** Figure 6 is another schematic block diagram of another embodiment of a computing system in accordance with the invention;

**[0015]** Figure 7 is another schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a dispersed storage (DS) processing module in accordance with the invention;

**[0016]** Figure 8A is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a storage module in accordance with the invention;

**[0017]** Figures 8B-8E are diagrams illustrating examples of sequencing and selecting encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0018]** Figure 9 is a flowchart illustrating an example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0019]** Figure 10 is a flowchart illustrating an example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0020]** Figure 11 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0021]** Figure 12 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0022]** Figure 13 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0023]** Figure 14 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0024]** Figure 15 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0025]** Figure 16 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0026]** Figure 17 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0027]** Figure 18 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0028]** Figure 19 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0029]** Figure 20 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0030]** Figure 21 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0031]** Figure 22 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0032]** Figure 23 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0033]** Figure 24 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention;

**[0034]** Figure 25 is a flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices in accordance with the invention;

**[0035]** Figure 26 is a flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data in accordance with the invention; and

**[0036]** Figure 27 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a computing device of the distributed or dispersed storage network (DSN) in accordance with the invention; and

**[0037]** Figure 28 is a flowchart illustrating an example of secure data transmission utilizing distributed storage in accordance with the invention.

## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

**[0038]** Figure 1 is a schematic block diagram of a computing system 10 that includes one or more of a first type of user devices 12, one or more of a second type of user devices 14, at least one distributed storage (DS) processing unit 16, at least one DS managing unit 18, at least one storage integrity processing unit 20, and a distributed storage network (DSN) memory 22 coupled via a network 24. The network 24 may include one or more wireless and/or wire lined communication systems; one or more private intranet systems and/or public internet systems; and/or one or more local area networks (LAN) and/or wide area networks (WAN).

**[0039]** The DSN memory 22 includes a plurality of distributed storage (DS) units 36 for storing data of the system. Each of the DS units 36 includes a processing module and memory and may be located at a geographically different site than the other DS units (e.g., one in Chicago, one in Milwaukee, etc.). The processing module may be a single processing device or a plurality of processing devices. Such a processing device may be a microprocessor, micro-controller, digital signal processor, microcomputer, central processing unit, field programmable gate array,

programmable logic device, state machine, logic circuitry, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or any device that manipulates signals (analog and/or digital) based on hard coding of the circuitry and/or operational instructions. The processing module may have an associated memory and/or memory element, which may be a single memory device, a plurality of memory devices, and/or embedded circuitry of the processing module. Such a memory device may be a read-only memory, random access memory, volatile memory, non-volatile memory, static memory, dynamic memory, flash memory, cache memory, and/or any device that stores digital information. Note that if the processing module includes more than one processing device, the processing devices may be centrally located (e.g., directly coupled together via a wired and/or wireless bus structure) or may be distributedly located (e.g., cloud computing via indirect coupling via a local area network and/or a wide area network). Further note that when the processing module implements one or more of its functions via a state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry, the memory and/or memory element storing the corresponding operational instructions may be embedded within, or external to, the circuitry comprising the state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry. Still further note that, the memory element stores, and the processing module executes, hard coded and/or operational instructions corresponding to at least some of the steps and/or functions illustrated in Figures 1–26.

**[0040]** Each of the user devices 12 – 14, the DS processing unit 16, the DS managing unit 18, and the storage integrity processing unit 20 may be a portable computing device (e.g., a social networking device, a gaming device, a cell phone, a smart phone, a personal digital assistant, a digital music player, a digital video player, a laptop computer, a handheld computer, a video game controller, and/or any other portable device that includes a computing core) and/or a fixed computing device (e.g., a personal computer, a computer server, a cable set-top box, a satellite receiver, a television set, a printer, a fax machine, home entertainment equipment, a video game console, and/or any type of home or office computing equipment). Such a portable or fixed computing device includes a computing core 26 and one or more interfaces 30, 32, and/or 33. An embodiment of the computing core 26 will be described with reference to Figure 2.

**[0041]** With respect to the interfaces, each of the interfaces 30, 32, and 33 includes software and/or hardware to support one or more communication links via the network 24 and/or directly. For example, interfaces 30 support a communication link (wired, wireless, direct, via a LAN, via the network 24, etc.) between the first type of user device 14 and the DS processing unit 16. As

another example, DSN interface 32 supports a plurality of communication links via the network 24 between the DSN memory 22 and the DS processing unit 16, the first type of user device 12, and/or the storage integrity processing unit 20. As yet another example, interface 33 supports a communication link between the DS managing unit 18 and any one of the other devices and/or units 12, 14, 16, 20, and/or 22 via the network 24.

**[0042]** In general and with respect to data storage, the system 10 supports three primary functions: distributed network data storage management, distributed data storage and retrieval, and data storage integrity verification. In accordance with these three primary functions, data can be distributedly stored in a plurality of physically different locations and subsequently retrieved in a reliable and secure manner regardless of failures of individual storage devices, failures of network equipment, the duration of storage, the amount of data being stored, attempts at hacking the data, etc.

**[0043]** The DS managing unit 18 performs distributed network data storage management functions, which include establishing distributed data storage parameters, performing network operations, performing network administration, and/or performing network maintenance. The DS managing unit 18 establishes the distributed data storage parameters (e.g., allocation of virtual DSN memory space, distributed storage parameters, security parameters, billing information, user profile information, etc.) for one or more of the user devices 12-14 (e.g., established for individual devices, established for a user group of devices, established for public access by the user devices, etc.). For example, the DS managing unit 18 coordinates the creation of a vault (e.g., a virtual memory block) within the DSN memory 22 for a user device (for a group of devices, or for public access). The DS managing unit 18 also determines the distributed data storage parameters for the vault. In particular, the DS managing unit 18 determines a number of slices (e.g., the number that a data segment of a data file and/or data block is partitioned into for distributed storage) and a read threshold value (e.g., the minimum number of slices required to reconstruct the data segment).

**[0044]** As another example, the DS managing module 18 creates and stores, locally or within the DSN memory 22, user profile information. The user profile information includes one or more of authentication information, permissions, and/or the security parameters. The security parameters may include one or more of encryption/decryption scheme, one or more encryption keys, key generation scheme, and data encoding/decoding scheme.

**[0045]** As yet another example, the DS managing unit 18 creates billing information for a particular user, user group, vault access, public vault access, etc. For instance, the DS managing unit 18 tracks the number of times user accesses a private vault and/or public vaults, which can be used to generate a per-access bill. In another instance, the DS managing unit 18 tracks the amount of data stored and/or retrieved by a user device and/or a user group, which can be used to generate a per-data-amount bill.

**[0046]** The DS managing unit 18 also performs network operations, network administration, and/or network maintenance. As at least part of performing the network operations and/or administration, the DS managing unit 18 monitors performance of the devices and/or units of the system 10 for potential failures, determines the devices' and/or units' activation status, determines the devices' and/or units' loading, and any other system level operation that affects the performance level of the system 10. For example, the DS managing unit 18 receives and aggregates network management alarms, alerts, errors, status information, performance information, and messages from the devices 12-14 and/or the units 16, 20, 22. For example, the DS managing unit 18 receives a simple network management protocol (SNMP) message regarding the status of the DS processing unit 16.

**[0047]** The DS managing unit 18 performs the network maintenance by identifying equipment within the system 10 that needs replacing, upgrading, repairing, and/or expanding. For example, the DS managing unit 18 determines that the DSN memory 22 needs more DS units 36 or that one or more of the DS units 36 needs updating.

**[0048]** The second primary function (i.e., distributed data storage and retrieval) begins and ends with a user device 12 - 14. For instance, if a second type of user device 14 has a data file 38 and/or data block 40 to store in the DSN memory 22, it sends the data file 38 and/or data block 40 to the DS processing unit 16 via its interface 30. As will be described in greater detail with reference to Figure 2, the interface 30 functions to mimic a conventional operating system (OS) file system interface (e.g., network file system (NFS), flash file system (FFS), disk file system (DFS), file transfer protocol (FTP), web-based distributed authoring and versioning (WebDAV), etc.) and/or a block memory interface (e.g., small computer system interface (SCSI), internet small computer system interface (iSCSI), etc.). In addition, the interface 30 may attach a user identification code (ID) to the data file 38 and/or data block 40.

**[0049]** The DS processing unit 16 receives the data file 38 and/or data block 40 via its interface 30 and performs a distributed storage (DS) process thereon (e.g., an error coding dispersal storage function). The DS processing 34 begins by partitioning the data file 38 and/or data block 40 into one or more data segments, which is represented as Y data segments. For example, the DS processing 34 may partition the data file 38 and/or data block 40 into a fixed byte size segment (e.g.,  $2^1$  to  $2^n$  bytes, where  $n \geq 2$ ) or a variable byte size (e.g., change byte size from segment to segment, or from groups of segments to groups of segments, etc.).

**[0050]** For each of the Y data segments, the DS processing 34 error encodes (e.g., forward error correction (FEC), information dispersal algorithm, or error correction coding) and slices (or slices then error encodes) the data segment into a plurality of error coded (EC) data slices 42 - 48, which is represented as X slices per data segment. The number of slices (X) per segment, which corresponds to a number of pillars n, is set in accordance with the distributed data storage parameters and the error coding scheme. For example, if a Reed-Solomon (or other FEC scheme) is used in an n/k system, then a data segment is divided into n slices, where k number of slices is needed to reconstruct the original data (i.e., k is the threshold). As a few specific examples, the n/k factor may be 5/3; 6/4; 8/6; 8/5; 16/10.

**[0051]** For each slice 42 - 48, the DS processing unit 16 creates a unique slice name and appends it to the corresponding slice 42 - 48. The slice name includes universal DSN memory addressing routing information (e.g., virtual memory addresses in the DSN memory 22) and user-specific information (e.g., user ID, file name, data block identifier, etc.).

**[0052]** The DS processing unit 16 transmits the plurality of EC slices 42 - 48 to a plurality of DS units 36 of the DSN memory 22 via the DSN interface 32 and the network 24. The DSN interface 32 formats each of the slices for transmission via the network 24. For example, the DSN interface 32 may utilize an internet protocol (e.g., TCP/IP, etc.) to packetize the slices 42 - 48 for transmission via the network 24.

**[0053]** The number of DS units 36 receiving the slices 42 - 48 is dependent on the distributed data storage parameters established by the DS managing unit 18. For example, the DS managing unit 18 may indicate that each slice is to be stored in a different DS unit 36. As another example, the DS managing unit 18 may indicate that like slice numbers of different data segments are to be stored in the same DS unit 36. For example, the first slice of each of the data segments is to be stored in a first DS unit 36, the second slice of each of the data segments is to be stored in a second

DS unit 36, etc. In this manner, the data is encoded and distributedly stored at physically diverse locations to improve data storage integrity and security. Further examples of encoding the data segments will be provided with reference to one or more of Figures 2 – 26.

**[0054]** Each DS unit 36 that receives a slice 42 – 48 for storage translates the virtual DSN memory address of the slice into a local physical address for storage. Accordingly, each DS unit 36 maintains a virtual to physical memory mapping to assist in the storage and retrieval of data.

**[0055]** The first type of user device 12 performs a similar function to store data in the DSN memory 22 with the exception that it includes the DS processing. As such, the device 12 encodes and slices the data file and/or data block it has to store. The device then transmits the slices 11 to the DSN memory via its DSN interface 32 and the network 24.

**[0056]** For a second type of user device 14 to retrieve a data file or data block from memory, it issues a read command via its interface 30 to the DS processing unit 16. The DS processing unit 16 performs the DS processing 34 to identify the DS units 36 storing the slices of the data file and/or data block based on the read command. The DS processing unit 16 may also communicate with the DS managing unit 18 to verify that the user device 14 is authorized to access the requested data.

**[0057]** Assuming that the user device is authorized to access the requested data, the DS processing unit 16 issues slice read commands to at least a threshold number of the DS units 36 storing the requested data (e.g., to at least 10 DS units for a 16/10 error coding scheme). Each of the DS units 36 receiving the slice read command, verifies the command, accesses its virtual to physical memory mapping, retrieves the requested slice, or slices, and transmits it to the DS processing unit 16.

**[0058]** Once the DS processing unit 16 has received a read threshold number of slices for a data segment, it performs an error decoding function and de-slicing to reconstruct the data segment. When Y number of data segments has been reconstructed, the DS processing unit 16 provides the data file 38 and/or data block 40 to the user device 14. Note that the first type of user device 12 performs a similar process to retrieve a data file and/or data block.

**[0059]** The storage integrity processing unit 20 performs the third primary function of data storage integrity verification. In general, the storage integrity processing unit 20 periodically retrieves slices 45, and/or slice names, of a data file or data block of a user device to verify that

one or more slices have not been corrupted or lost (e.g., the DS unit failed). The retrieval process mimics the read process previously described.

**[0060]** If the storage integrity processing unit 20 determines that one or more slices is corrupted or lost, it rebuilds the corrupted or lost slice(s) in accordance with the error coding scheme. The storage integrity processing unit 20 stores the rebuild slice, or slices, in the appropriate DS unit(s) 36 in a manner that mimics the write process previously described.

**[0061]** Figure 2 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a computing core 26 that includes a processing module 50, a memory controller 52, main memory 54, a video graphics processing unit 55, an input/output (IO) controller 56, a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) interface 58, an IO interface 60, at least one IO device interface module 62, a read only memory (ROM) basic input output system (BIOS) 64, and one or more memory interface modules. The memory interface module(s) includes one or more of a universal serial bus (USB) interface module 66, a host bus adapter (HBA) interface module 68, a network interface module 70, a flash interface module 72, a hard drive interface module 74, and a DSN interface module 76. Note the DSN interface module 76 and/or the network interface module 70 may function as the interface 30 of the user device 14 of Figure 1. Further note that the IO device interface module 62 and/or the memory interface modules may be collectively or individually referred to as IO ports.

**[0062]** The processing module 50 may be a single processing device or a plurality of processing devices. Such a processing device may be a microprocessor, micro-controller, digital signal processor, microcomputer, central processing unit, field programmable gate array, programmable logic device, state machine, logic circuitry, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or any device that manipulates signals (analog and/or digital) based on hard coding of the circuitry and/or operational instructions. The processing module 50 may have an associated memory and/or memory element, which may be a single memory device, a plurality of memory devices, and/or embedded circuitry of the processing module 50. Such a memory device may be a read-only memory, random access memory, volatile memory, non-volatile memory, static memory, dynamic memory, flash memory, cache memory, and/or any device that stores digital information. Note that if the processing module 50 includes more than one processing device, the processing devices may be centrally located (e.g., directly coupled together via a wired and/or wireless bus structure) or may be distributedly located (e.g., cloud computing via indirect coupling via a local area network and/or a wide area network). Further note that when the processing module 50

implements one or more of its functions via a state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry, the memory and/or memory element storing the corresponding operational instructions may be embedded within, or external to, the circuitry comprising the state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry. Still further note that, the memory element stores, and the processing module 50 executes, hard coded and/or operational instructions corresponding to at least some of the steps and/or functions illustrated in Figures 1- 26.

**[0063]** Figure 3 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a dispersed storage (DS) processing module 34 of user device 12 and/or of the DS processing unit 16. The DS processing module 34 includes a gateway module 78, an access module 80, a grid module 82, and a storage module 84. The DS processing module 34 may also include an interface 30 and the DSnet interface 32 or the interfaces 68 and/or 70 may be part of user device 12 or of the DS processing unit 16. The DS processing module 34 may further include a bypass/feedback path between the storage module 84 to the gateway module 78. Note that the modules 78-84 of the DS processing module 34 may be in a single unit or distributed across multiple units.

**[0064]** In an example of storing data, the gateway module 78 receives an incoming data object that includes a user ID field 86, an object name field 88, and the data object field 40 and may also receive corresponding information that includes a process identifier (e.g., an internal process/application ID), metadata, a file system directory, a block number, a transaction message, a user device identity (ID), a data object identifier, a source name, and/or user information. The gateway module 78 authenticates the user associated with the data object by verifying the user ID 86 with the managing unit 18 and/or another authenticating unit.

**[0065]** When the user is authenticated, the gateway module 78 obtains user information from the management unit 18, the user device, and/or the other authenticating unit. The user information includes a vault identifier, operational parameters, and user attributes (e.g., user data, billing information, etc.). A vault identifier identifies a vault, which is a virtual memory space that maps to a set of DS storage units 36. For example, vault 1 (i.e., user 1's DSN memory space) includes eight DS storage units ( $X=8$  wide) and vault 2 (i.e., user 2's DSN memory space) includes sixteen DS storage units ( $X=16$  wide). The operational parameters may include an error coding algorithm, the width  $n$  (number of pillars  $X$  or slices per segment for this vault), a read threshold  $T$ , a write threshold, an encryption algorithm, a slicing parameter, a compression algorithm, an integrity

check method, caching settings, parallelism settings, and/or other parameters that may be used to access the DSN memory layer.

**[0066]** The gateway module 78 uses the user information to assign a source name 35 to the data. For instance, the gateway module 78 determines the source name 35 of the data object 40 based on the vault identifier and the data object. For example, the source name may contain a file identifier (ID), a vault generation number, a reserved field, and a vault identifier (ID). As another example, the gateway module 78 may generate the file ID based on a hash function of the data object 40. Note that the gateway module 78 may also perform message conversion, protocol conversion, electrical conversion, optical conversion, access control, user identification, user information retrieval, traffic monitoring, statistics generation, configuration, management, and/or source name determination.

**[0067]** The access module 80 receives the data object 40 and creates a series of data segments 1 through Y 90-92 in accordance with a data storage protocol (e.g., file storage system, a block storage system, and/or an aggregated block storage system). The number of segments Y may be chosen or randomly assigned based on a selected segment size and the size of the data object. For example, if the number of segments is chosen to be a fixed number, then the size of the segments varies as a function of the size of the data object. For instance, if the data object is an image file of 4,194,304 eight bit bytes (e.g., 33,554,432 bits) and the number of segments  $Y = 131,072$ , then each segment is 256 bits or 32 bytes. As another example, if segment sized is fixed, then the number of segments Y varies based on the size of data object. For instance, if the data object is an image file of 4,194,304 bytes and the fixed size of each segment is 4,096 bytes, the then number of segments  $Y = 1,024$ . Note that each segment is associated with the same source name.

**[0068]** The grid module 82 receives the data segments and may manipulate (e.g., compression, encryption, cyclic redundancy check (CRC), etc.) each of the data segments before performing an error coding function of the error coding dispersal storage function to produce a pre-manipulated data segment. After manipulating a data segment, if applicable, the grid module 82 error encodes (e.g., Reed-Solomon, Convolution encoding, Trellis encoding, etc.) the data segment or manipulated data segment into X error coded data slices 42-44.

**[0069]** The value X, or the number of pillars (e.g.,  $X = 16$ ), is chosen as a parameter of the error coding dispersal storage function. Other parameters of the error coding dispersal function include a read threshold T, a write threshold W, etc. The read threshold (e.g.,  $T = 10$ , when  $X =$

16) corresponds to the minimum number of error-free error coded data slices required to reconstruct the data segment. In other words, the DS processing module 34 can compensate for  $X-T$  (e.g.,  $16-10 = 6$ ) missing error coded data slices per data segment. The write threshold  $W$  corresponds to a minimum number of DS storage units that acknowledge proper storage of their respective data slices before the DS processing module indicates proper storage of the encoded data segment. Note that the write threshold is greater than or equal to the read threshold for a given number of pillars ( $X$ ).

**[0070]** For each data slice of a data segment, the grid module 82 generates a unique slice name 37 and attaches it thereto. The slice name 37 includes a universal routing information field and a vault specific field and may be 48 bytes (e.g., 24 bytes for each of the universal routing information field and the vault specific field). As illustrated, the universal routing information field includes a slice index, a vault ID, a vault generation, and a reserved field. The slice index is based on the pillar number and the vault ID and, as such, is unique for each pillar (e.g., slices of the same pillar for the same vault for any segment will share the same slice index). The vault specific field includes a data name, which includes a file ID and a segment number (e.g., a sequential numbering of data segments 1-Y of a simple data object or a data block number).

**[0071]** Prior to outputting the error coded data slices of a data segment, the grid module may perform post-slice manipulation on the slices. If enabled, the manipulation includes slice level compression, encryption, CRC, addressing, tagging, and/or other manipulation to improve the effectiveness of the computing system.

**[0072]** When the error coded data slices of a data segment are ready to be outputted, the grid module 82 determines which of the DS storage units 36 will store the EC data slices based on a dispersed storage memory mapping associated with the user's vault and/or DS storage unit attributes. The DS storage unit attributes may include availability, self-selection, performance history, link speed, link latency, ownership, available DSN memory, domain, cost, a prioritization scheme, a centralized selection message from another source, a lookup table, data ownership, and/or any other factor to optimize the operation of the computing system. Note that the number of DS storage units 36 is equal to or greater than the number of pillars (e.g.,  $X$ ) so that no more than one error coded data slice of the same data segment is stored on the same DS storage unit 36. Further note that EC data slices of the same pillar number but of different segments (e.g., EC data

slice 1 of data segment 1 and EC data slice 1 of data segment 2) may be stored on the same or different DS storage units 36.

**[0073]** The storage module 84 performs an integrity check on the outbound encoded data slices and, when successful, identifies a plurality of DS storage units based on information provided by the grid module 82. The storage module 84 then outputs the encoded data slices 1 through X of each segment 1 through Y to the DS storage units 36. Each of the DS storage units 36 stores its EC data slice(s) and maintains a local virtual DSN address to physical location table to convert the virtual DSN address of the EC data slice(s) into physical storage addresses.

**[0074]** In an example of a read operation, the user device 12 and/or 14 sends a read request to the DS processing unit 16, which authenticates the request. When the request is authentic, the DS processing unit 16 sends a read message to each of the DS storage units 36 storing slices of the data object being read. The slices are received via the DSnet interface 32 and processed by the storage module 84, which performs a parity check and provides the slices to the grid module 82 when the parity check was successful. The grid module 82 decodes the slices in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage function to reconstruct the data segment. The access module 80 reconstructs the data object from the data segments and the gateway module 78 formats the data object for transmission to the user device.

**[0075]** Figure 4 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a grid module 82 that includes a control unit 73, a pre-slice manipulator 75, an encoder 77, a slicer 79, a post-slice manipulator 81, a pre-slice de-manipulator 83, a decoder 85, a de-slicer 87, and/or a post-slice de-manipulator 89. Note that the control unit 73 may be partially or completely external to the grid module 82. For example, the control unit 73 may be part of the computing core at a remote location, part of a user device, part of the DS managing unit 18, or distributed amongst one or more DS storage units.

**[0076]** In an example of write operation, the pre-slice manipulator 75 receives a data segment 90-92 and a write instruction from an authorized user device. The pre-slice manipulator 75 determines if pre-manipulation of the data segment 90-92 is required and, if so, what type. The pre-slice manipulator 75 may make the determination independently or based on instructions from the control unit 73, where the determination is based on a computing system-wide predetermination, a table lookup, vault parameters associated with the user identification, the type

of data, security requirements, available DSN memory, performance requirements, and/or other metadata.

**[0077]** Once a positive determination is made, the pre-slice manipulator 75 manipulates the data segment 90-92 in accordance with the type of manipulation. For example, the type of manipulation may be compression (e.g., Lempel-Ziv-Welch, Huffman, Golomb, fractal, wavelet, etc.), signatures (e.g., Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA), Elliptic Curve DSA, Secure Hash Algorithm, etc.), watermarking, tagging, encryption (e.g., Data Encryption Standard, Advanced Encryption Standard, etc.), adding metadata (e.g., time/date stamping, user information, file type, etc.), cyclic redundancy check (e.g., CRC32), and/or other data manipulations to produce the pre-manipulated data segment.

**[0078]** The encoder 77 encodes the pre-manipulated data segment 92 using a forward error correction (FEC) encoder (and/or other type of erasure coding and/or error coding) to produce an encoded data segment 94. The encoder 77 determines which forward error correction algorithm to use based on a predetermination associated with the user's vault, a time based algorithm, user direction, DS managing unit direction, control unit direction, as a function of the data type, as a function of the data segment 92 metadata, and/or any other factor to determine algorithm type. The forward error correction algorithm may be Golay, Multidimensional parity, Reed-Solomon, Hamming, Bose Ray Chauduri Hocquenghem (BCH), Cauchy-Reed-Solomon, or any other FEC encoder. Note that the encoder 77 may use a different encoding algorithm for each data segment 92, the same encoding algorithm for the data segments 92 of a data object, or a combination thereof.

**[0079]** The encoded data segment 94 is of greater size than the data segment 92 by the overhead rate of the encoding algorithm by a factor of  $X/T$ , where  $X$  is the width or number of slices, and  $T$  is the read threshold. In this regard, the corresponding decoding process can accommodate at most  $X-T$  missing EC data slices and still recreate the data segment 92. For example, if  $X=16$  and  $T=10$ , then the data segment 92 will be recoverable as long as 10 or more EC data slices per segment are not corrupted.

**[0080]** The slicer 79 transforms the encoded data segment 94 into EC data slices in accordance with the slicing parameter from the vault for this user and/or data segment 92. For example, if the slicing parameter is  $X = 16$ , then the slicer 79 slices each encoded data segment 94 into 16 encoded slices.

**[0081]** The post-slice manipulator 81 performs, if enabled, post-manipulation on the encoded slices to produce the EC data slices. If enabled, the post-slice manipulator 81 determines the type of post-manipulation, which may be based on a computing system-wide predetermination, parameters in the vault for this user, a table lookup, the user identification, the type of data, security requirements, available DSN memory, performance requirements, control unit directed, and/or other metadata. Note that the type of post-slice manipulation may include slice level compression, signatures, encryption, CRC, addressing, watermarking, tagging, adding metadata, and/or other manipulation to improve the effectiveness of the computing system.

**[0082]** In an example of a read operation, the post-slice de-manipulator 89 receives at least a read threshold number of EC data slices and performs the inverse function of the post-slice manipulator 81 to produce a plurality of encoded slices. The de-slicer 87 de-slices the encoded slices to produce an encoded data segment 94. The decoder 85 performs the inverse function of the encoder 77 to recapture the data segment 90-92. The pre-slice de-manipulator 83 performs the inverse function of the pre-slice manipulator 75 to recapture the data segment 90-92.

**[0083]** Figure 5 is a diagram of an example of slicing an encoded data segment 94 by the slicer 79. In this example, the encoded data segment 94 includes thirty-two bits, but may include more or less bits. The slicer 79 disperses the bits of the encoded data segment 94 across the EC data slices in a pattern as shown. As such, each EC data slice does not include consecutive bits of the data segment 94 reducing the impact of consecutive bit failures on data recovery. For example, if EC data slice 2 (which includes bits 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 25, and 29) is unavailable (e.g., lost, inaccessible, or corrupted), the data segment can be reconstructed from the other EC data slices (e.g., 1, 3 and 4 for a read threshold of 3 and a width of 4).

**[0084]** Figure 6 is a schematic block diagram of another embodiment of a computing system that includes a source user device 12, a plurality of destination user devices 1-D 12, a plurality of wireless modules 102-108, a dispersed storage (DS) processing unit 16, and a dispersed storage network (DSN) memory 22. Each of user devices 12 includes a computing core 26 and a DSN interface 32, wherein the computing core 26 includes a DS processing 34. Each of the wireless modules 102-108 may be portable devices (e.g., cell phone, tablet computer, radio, etc.) or fixed devices (e.g., access point, cellular base station, a radio site, etc.) and each includes a radio frequency transceiver and baseband processing circuitry. The wireless modules 102-108 operate in accordance with one or more wireless industry standards including, but not limited to, universal

mobile telecommunications system (UMTS), global system for mobile communications (GSM), long term evolution (LTE), wideband code division multiplexing (WCDMA), IEEE 802.11, IEEE 802.16.

**[0085]** Note that a wireless broadcast service is provided by the wireless module 102 by way of a common wireless resource including but not limited to a common frequency division multiplexing frequency (e.g., channel), a common time division multiplexing slot, a common code division multiplexing code, and/or a common frequency hopping sequence. In an example, all slice pillars produced from a common data object are transmitted as wireless signals of a common wireless resource. In another example, each slice pillar produced from the same data object is transmitted as wireless signals via two or more wireless resources (e.g., two or more frequencies).

**[0086]** In an example of operation, the source user device 12 is contained in a mobile vehicle (e.g., an aircraft, a ship, a truck, etc.) and is operable to securely transmit audio/video (A/V) data (e.g., a live video stream, an image file, a video file, an audio file, a text file, a text communication, etc.) to one or more of the destination user devices and/or to the DSN memory 22. In this example, the source user device 12 receives the audio/video data from an A/V source (e.g., one or more digital cameras, one or more microphones, etc.) and the DS processing module 34 encrypts the A/V data. The DS processing module 34 then partitions the encrypted data into data segments and encodes each of the data segments using a dispersed storage error encoding function to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices. Note that a set of encoded data slices corresponds to a data segment of the encrypted data.

**[0087]** As the DS processing module 34 is producing sets of encoded data slices, it stores them until a threshold number of encoded data slices are stored. Once a threshold number of encoded data slices are stored, the DS processing module 34 outputs encoded data slices to the DSN interface in accordance with a pseudo-random sequencing order. The pseudo-random sequencing order ensures that the encoded data slices of a set of encoded data slices are not outputted sequentially, but are outputted in a random order with encoded data slices of other sets to add further security to the transmission of the A/V data. For example, the pseudo-random sequencing order randomly orders the data segments prior to dispersal storage error encoding and then randomly orders the encoded data slices. As another example, the pseudo-random sequencing order randomly orders the encoded data slices.

**[0088]** The wireless module 102 converts the randomly ordered encoded data slices into outbound RF signals in accordance with one or more standardized wireless communication protocols or a proprietary wireless communication protocol. For example, the baseband circuitry of the wireless module 102 converts an encoded data slice (a portion or an encoded data slice or multiple encoded data slices) into an outbound symbol stream. The RF transceiver of the wireless module converts the outbound symbol stream into an outbound RF signal.

**[0089]** At least one of the other wireless modules 104-108 receives the outbound RF signals of wireless module 102 and determines whether it is a destination. For example, the RF signals include destination address information, which the receiving wireless modules interpret to determine whether they are destinations. As another example, the RF signals include source address information, which the receiving wireless modules interpret to determine whether they are destinations for the source.

**[0090]** When a wireless module 104-108 is a destination, it converts the RF signals into the encoded data slices 110 and provides them to the corresponding DS unit (e.g., user device 12 or DS processing unit 16). The corresponding DS unit uses a pseudo-random de-sequencing order to re-order the received encoded data slices into sets of encoded data slices. The corresponding DS unit then decodes the set of encoded data slices using a dispersal storage error decoding function to produce the data segments, which are decrypted to re-produce the A/V data. To ensure security of the A/V data transmission, the pseudo-random sequencing/de-sequencing order and the dispersal storage error encoding/decoding function is securely communicated between the source user device 12 and the corresponding destination unit(s) (e.g., destination user devices and/or the DS processing unit).

**[0091]** Figure 7 is a schematic block diagram of another embodiment of a dispersed storage (DS) processing module 34 coupled to the DSnet interface 32 and the processing module 50. The processing module 50 is coupled to one or more data sources (e.g., camera, microphone, text messaging input, etc.) and the DSnet interface 32 is coupled to a wireless module 102. The DS processing module includes a storage module 138, a plurality of interfaces 114-118, a plurality of gateway modules 78, a plurality of access modules 80, and a plurality of grid modules 82. The interface modules 114-118, the gateway modules 78, the access modules 89, and the grid modules 82 are arranged in sets for processing different data (e.g., data 140 – 144), which includes A/V data from one or more data sources (e.g., cameras, computer, microphones, etc.) and/or auxiliary

data 144 (e.g., null data, authentication information, a next pseudo random output sequencing order, a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier, a next outputting threshold, a random number generator output, an encryption key, a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order, a device identifier, a data identifier, a data type, a data size indicator, a priority indicator, a security indicator, and/or a performance indicator).

**[0092]** In a first example of operation, one or more of the data sources provides data to the processing module 50 and/or directly to the DS processing module 34. For example, a first digital camera provides a stream of video directly to interface 114 of the DS processing module 50 and a second camera provides A/V data to the processing module 50 for A/V processing (e.g., video encoding, video decoding, compression, aspect ratio conversion, etc.). The processing module 50 provides the processed A/V data to interface 116 of the DS processing module 34. The processing module, or an auxiliary data source, may also generate auxiliary data 144, which is provided to interface 118 of the DS processing module 34.

**[0093]** Each set of gateway, access, and grid modules 78, 80, and 82 perform their corresponding functions on the data 140, 142, or auxiliary data 144, to produce one or more sets of slices 146-150. For instance and as discussed with reference to one or more of Figures 1-5, the gateway module 78 accommodates a file system of a data source (e.g., a computing core) by translating a computer file system to a virtual dispersed storage network (DSN) addressing (e.g., a source name). The access module 80 converts the data 140 – 144 into sequential data segments (e.g., segment 1, segment 2, segment 3, etc.). Alternatively, the access module 80 converts the data 140-144 into non-sequential data segments (e.g., segment 4, segment 1, segment 3, etc.) in accordance with a segment sequence sequencing/de-sequencing order. The grid module 82 encrypts and dispersal storage error encodes a data segment into a set of encoded data slices in a sequential order (e.g., pillar 0 slice 1, pillar 0 slice 2 etc., pillar 1 slice 1, pillar 1 slice 2 etc.). Alternatively, the grid module 82 encrypts and dispersal storage error encodes data segments into sets of encoded data slices and outputs the encoded data slices in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order (e.g., pillar 4 slice 8, pillar 2 slice 3 etc., pillar 5 slice 4, pillar 0 slice 2 etc.).

**[0094]** The storage module 138 receives the sets of encoded data slices 146-150 and outputs encoded data slices in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order. The random outputting of encoded data slices may be done in combination with the segment

sequencing performed by the access module 80, in combination with encoded data slice output randomize sequencing performed by the grid module 82, done without the sequencing performed by the access module or grid module, and/or a combination thereof.

**[0095]** As an example of the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order, the storage module selects ten slices from set 1 (e.g., a set from the sets 146) followed by five slices from set 2 (e.g., a set from sets 148) followed by one slice from set 3 (e.g., a set from sets 150) etc. The storage module 138 may determine the random sequence and the starting point for the random sequence via a selection sequence generator and a seed. The seed and/or the identity of the random sequence may be included in the auxiliary data, may be embedded in the data 140, 142, and/or may be communicated using another secure mechanism.

**[0096]** In a second example of operation, the storage module 138 receives randomly ordered encoded data slices 110 and outputs sets of encoded data slices in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order. The grid module 82 decodes the set of encoded data slices 146-150 in accordance with a dispersal storage error decoding function to produce encrypted data segments, which it decrypts to produce data segments. Alternatively, the grid module 82 may re-order the sets of slices in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order prior to dispersal storage error decoding.

**[0097]** The access module 80 converts the data segments into the data 140-144. Alternatively, the access module 80 reorders the data segments in accordance with a segment sequence sequencing/de-sequencing order and then produces the data. The gateway module 78 translates the virtual dispersed storage network (DSN) addressing (e.g., a source name) into a computer file system name. The processing module 50 receives the data 140-144, processes it, and/or provides it to a data destination (e.g., a video monitor, a speaker, DSN memory, etc.).

**[0098]** Figure 8A is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a storage module 138 that includes a plurality of sequencers 160-164, a plurality of sequence generators 166-170, a plurality of de-sequencers 172-176, a plurality of de-sequence generators 178-182, a selector 184, a selection sequence generator 188, a de-selector 186, and a de-selection de-sequence generator 190.

**[0099]** In an example of operation, the storage module 138 receives sets of encoded data slices 192-196 from the plurality of grid modules 82. Each sequencer 160-162 converts its sets of encoded data slices into randomly ordered sets of encoded data slices accordance with a pseudo

random segment and/or slice sequence generated by the corresponding sequence generators 166-170. For instance, the sequence generators generate a random sequence based on a seed that reorders the corresponding sets of encoded data slices, reorders slices within a set of slices, and/or reorders slices and sets of slices. Alternatively, the sequence generator generates a null sequence such that the sequencer outputs the encoded data slices in the order they were received (i.e., first in, first out).

**[0100]** The selector 184 selects slices from sequencers 160-164 in accordance with a selection sequence. The selection sequence generator 188 generates the selection sequence in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order. As a specific example, the select sequence generator 188 generates a selection sequence that causes the selector 184 to select ten slices from sequencer 160, then five slices from sequencer 162, and then three slices from sequencer 164, which are subsequently outputted as output sequenced slices 204.

**[0101]** In another example of operation, the de-selector 186 receives input sequenced slices 206 and provides them to the de-sequencers 172-176 in accordance with a de-sequence order. The de-selection de-sequence generator 190 generates the de-sequence order in accordance with the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order. As a specific example, the de-selection de-sequence generator 190 generates the de-sequence order such that the de-selector 186 sends ten slices of the input sequenced slices 206 to de-sequencer 172, the five slices to de-sequencer 174, and then three slices to de-sequencer 176.

**[0102]** Each of the de-sequencers 172-176 produces sets of encoded data slices as ordered output slices 198-202 in accordance with a slice and/or segment de-sequence order that is generated by a corresponding de-sequence generator 178-182. For instance, the de-sequence generators generate a random sequence based on a seed that reorders the received slices into sets of encoded data slices. Alternatively, the de-sequence generator generates a null sequence such that the de-sequencer outputs the encoded data slices in the order they were received (i.e., first in, first out).

**[0103]** The segment and/or slice sequence/de-sequence order may be part of the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order. In addition, each pair of sequence generators and de-sequence generators may generate the same sequence/de-sequence order or different sequence/de-sequence orders. Further, the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order includes one or more of one or more slice sequence/de-sequence orders, a selection sequence/de-sequence, a

sequence/de-sequence seed determination, one or more sequence/de-sequence seeds. Still further, the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order may be determined based on one or more of a performance indicator, a security indicator, a security indicator, sequence information, a key, a user device identifier (ID), a lookup, a list, a command, a predetermination, a message, an algorithm, a data object, a data object ID, a data type, a data size, and a hash of the data. Even further, the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order may be generated by any one of a variety of pseudo random number generation techniques that may be implemented in software, programmable logic, and/or a state machine.

**[0104]** Figure 8B is a diagram illustrating an example of pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing of encoded data slices within the storage module 138 for two different data streams (e.g., data 1 and data 2). In this example, an encrypted data segment is dispersal storage error encoded into five encoded data slices. For instance, data segment 1 of data 1 is encoded into five encoded data slices (e.g., data 1, segment 1, slice 1, through data 1, segment 1, slice 5).

**[0105]** For pseudo random sequencing, the storage module 138 receives the encoded data slices of data 1 and data 2, stores them, and when a threshold number (e.g., X times the pillar width, which, for this example is 6 times 5 = 30) applies the pseudo random sequencing order to randomize the outputting of the encoded data slices. In this example, the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order randomized encoded data slices are sequenced and selected to produce slices in order of data 2, segment 2, slice 3 followed by data 1, segment 1, slice 3, followed by data 1, segment 2, slice 1, followed by data 2, segment 3, slice 2, followed by data 2, segment 1, slice 4, etc.

**[0106]** For pseudo random de-sequencing, the storage module 138 receives the randomized encoded data slices 209, stores them until a threshold number are stored, and then applies the pseudo random de-sequencing order to reproduce the encoded data slices 205 of data 1 and the encoded data slices 207 of data 2. The storage module 138 may output the de-sequenced encoded data slices as they are de-sequenced or store a data segment's worth of slices and then send the set of encoded data slices.

**[0107]** Figure 8C is a diagram illustrating an example of pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing of encoded data slices within the storage module 138 for two different data streams (e.g., data 1 and data 2, which may be auxiliary data). In this example, the access module 80 of the DS processing module 34 randomized the data segments prior to the grid module 82 dispersal

storage error encoding the data segments. The randomizing of the data segments may be different for each data path or it may be the same.

**[0108]** In the present example, the data segments of the first data path are randomized using a first segment sequence to produce, for three data segments, a randomized data segment order of 3, 1, 2. The data segments of the second data path are randomized using a second segment sequence to produce, for three data segments, a randomized data segment order of 2, 1, 3. The storage module 138 randomizes and de-randomizes the encoded data slices of the randomized data segments using the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order as previously discussed.

**[0109]** Figure 8D is a diagram illustrating an example of pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing of encoded data slices within the storage module 138 for two different data streams (e.g., data 1 and data 2). In this example, the grid module 82 of the DS processing module 80 randomized the encoded data slices for each data segment it dispersal storage error encodes. The randomizing of the encoded data slices may be different for each data path or it may be the same. The randomizing of the encoded data slices may also be the same or different for each data segment.

**[0110]** In the present example, each of the data segments of the first and second data paths are randomized using the same sequence to produce, for five encoded data slices per data segment, a randomized encoded data segment order of 2, 1, 5, 4, 3. The storage module 138 randomizes and de-randomizes the randomized encoded data slices using the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order as previously discussed.

**[0111]** Figure 8E is a diagram illustrating an example of pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing of encoded data slices within the storage module 138 for two different data streams (e.g., data 1 and data 2). In this example, an encrypted data segment is dispersal storage error encoded into five encoded data slices, but, for at least some of the data segments, less than all of the encoded data slices will be outputted. For instance, the first encoded data slice of data segment 1 of data 1 will not be outputted; the fourth encoded data slice of data segment 2 of data 1 will not be outputted; the second and fifth encoded data slices of data segment 3 of data 1 will not be outputted; the second encoded data slice of data segment 1 of data 2 will not be outputted; and the third encoded data slice of data segment 2 of data 2 will not be outputted.

**[0112]** For pseudo random sequencing, the storage module 138 receives the encoded data slices of data 1 and data 2, stores them, and a threshold number applies the pseudo random

sequencing order to randomize the outputting of the encoded data slices. When the storage module 138 reaches one of the encoded data slices that is not to be outputted, it outputs a null data slice or repeats one of the other encoded data slices.

**[0113]** For pseudo random de-sequencing, the storage module 138 receives the randomized encoded data slices 209, stores them until a threshold number are stored, and then applies the pseudo random de-sequencing order to reproduce the encoded data slices 205 of data 1 and the encoded data slices 207 of data 2, less the omitted encoded data slices. When the storage module 138 outputs a set of encoded data slices that includes one or more omitted encoded data slices, it may output the set without the omitted encoded data slice(s) or it may output a null data slice in the place of the omitted encoded data slice.

**[0114]** The examples of Figures 8B – 8E are equally applicable for data from a single source. In this instance, the pseudo random sequencing/de-sequencing order is applied to sets of encoded data slices of data segments of data from a single source.

**[0115]** Figure 9 is a flowchart illustrating an example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices. The method begins with step 210 where a processing module receives a store data object message from one or more of a computing core, a user device, a dispersed storage (DS) processing unit, a storage integrity processing unit, a DS managing unit, a DS unit, and a process or function of a user device. The store data object message includes a requester identifier (ID) (e.g., a source user device ID), a target ID (e.g., a destination user device ID), a data object name, data, a data stream (e.g., a video stream), sequence information, a key (e.g., an encryption key), a priority indicator, a security indicator, and/or a performance indicator.

**[0116]** The method continues at step 212 where the processing module determines one or more sets of error coding dispersal storage function parameters regarding the data of the data object message and for auxiliary data. For example, one set of error coding dispersal storage function parameters may be determined for the data and another set may be determined for the auxiliary data. As another example, the same error coding dispersal storage function parameters are determined for both the data and the auxiliary data.

**[0117]** The method continues at step 214 where the processing module segments the data in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage function parameters. The processing module segments the data into data segments, which may be outputted in a variety of ways. For example, the processing module outputs the data segments in the order in which they were created (i.e.,

sequentially). As another example, the processing module outputs the data segments in accordance with a segment sequencing order (i.e., pseudo randomly non-sequential).

**[0118]** The method continues at step 216 where the processing module dispersed storage error encodes the data segments to produce sets of encoded data slices (e.g., one set per data segment). The processing module may output the sets of encoded data slices in a variety of ways. For example, the processing module outputs the encoded data slices of a set in the order in which they were created (i.e., sequentially). As another example, the processing module outputs the encoded data slices of a set in accordance with a segment sequencing order (i.e., pseudo randomly non-sequential). As yet another example, the processing module outputs a threshold number of a set of encoded data slices (e.g., a read threshold, a write threshold, a decode threshold, etc.). As a further example, the processing module buffers a set of encoded data slices in two buffers: the first including a threshold number of encoded data slices and the second including the remaining encoded data slices. In this example, the processing module outputs the encoded data slices of the first buffer and outputs zero to all of the encoded data slices of the second buffer.

**[0119]** At step 216, the processing module may also generate a slice name for each encoded data slice of a set. The processing module determines slice information for a set of encoded data slices and encrypts the slice information to produce the slice name, which may be buffered.

**[0120]** The method continues at step 218 where the processing module determines a pseudo-random sequencing order and/or sequence information. For example, the processing module determines a pseudo-random sequencing order associated with algorithm 3AC (e.g. a pseudo random number generation algorithm), a sequence seed of 1F46D8EA39B based on a calculating a hash over requester ID 5F02D77B, and a key of 34D8AB90, which was embedded in the sequencing information.

**[0121]** The method continues at step 220 where the processing module sequences the outputting of encoded data slices in accordance with the pseudo-random sequencing order. For example, the processing module buffers encoded data slices of the sets until a threshold number have been buffered. When a threshold number of slices have been buffered, the processing module outputs the encoded data slices based on the pseudo-random sequencing order; example of which were discussed with reference to Figures 8B - 8E.

**[0122]** The method continues at step 222 where the processing module dispersal storage error encodes auxiliary data using the parameters determined at step 212 to produce one or more sets of

encoded auxiliary data slices. The auxiliary data, which may be encrypted using one or more the encrypting functions discussed herein prior to dispersal storage error encoding, includes null data, authentication information, a next pseudo random output sequencing order, a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier, a next outputting threshold, a random number generator output, an encryption key, a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order, a device identifier, a data identifier, a data type, a data size indicator, a priority indicator, a security indicator, and/or a performance indicator. For example, a video stream is the data of steps 214 & 216 and a next pseudo random output sequencing order is the auxiliary data.

**[0123]** The method continues at step 224 where the processing module determines auxiliary data sequence information (i.e., a pseudo-random sequencing order). The method continues at step 226 where the processing module sequences outputting of the encoded auxiliary data slices, which may be similar to sequencing the outputting of the encoded data slices.

**[0124]** The method continues at step 228 where the processing module determines selection information, which includes a pseudo random output sequencing order, a selection algorithm ID, a de-selection algorithm ID, a seed generation algorithm ID, a key, an ID, a hash algorithm, and/or a sequence seed. The method continues at step 230 where the processing module selects encoded data slices and encoded auxiliary data slices to produce output sequenced slices in accordance with the selection information. The method continues at step 232 where processing module transmits the output sequenced slices to one or more destinations via a wired and/or wireless network.

**[0125]** In addition, at step 232, the processing module may compare an ingress number of encoded data slices being buffered to an egress number of encoded data slices being outputted within a given time interval when a number of buffered encoded data slices compares favorably to the threshold. Next, the processing module adjusts the dispersed storage error encoding of the data segment such that the comparing of the ingress number to the egress number is favorable with respect to an underflow threshold when the comparing of the ingress number to the egress number is unfavorable with respect to the underflow threshold. Alternatively, the processing module may adjust the dispersed storage error encoding of the data segment such that the comparing of the ingress number to the egress number is favorable with respect to an overflow threshold when the comparing of the ingress number to the egress number is unfavorable with respect to the overflow threshold.

**[0126]** Figure 10 is a flowchart illustrating an example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data. The method begins with step 234 where a processing module receives a retrieve data object message from one or more of a computing core, a user device, a dispersed storage (DS) processing unit, a storage integrity processing unit, a DS managing unit, a DS unit, and a process or function of a user device). The retrieve data object message includes one or more of a requester identifier (ID) (e.g., a source user device ID), a target ID (e.g., a destination user device ID), a data object name, a data object, sequence information, a key (e.g., an encryption key), a priority indicator, a security indicator, and a performance indicator.

**[0127]** The method continues at step 236 where the processing module determines error coding dispersal stored function parameters as previously discussed. The method continues at step 238 where the processing module obtains at least an ordering threshold number of encoded data slices to produce obtained encoded data slices from a user device, from DSN memory, etc.

**[0128]** The method continues at step 240 where the processing module determines de-selection information, which is the compliment to the selection information and is determined in a similar fashion. The method continues at step 242 where the processing module de-selects input sequenced slices (e.g., the received randomized encoded data slices) in accordance with the de-selection information. For example, this separates randomized encoded data slices from the randomized encoded auxiliary data slices.

**[0129]** The method continues at step 244 where the processing module determines auxiliary data de-sequence information, which is complimentary to the auxiliary data sequence information. The method continues at step 246 where the processing module de-sequences the sequenced (i.e., randomized) encoded auxiliary data slices to produce de-sequenced encoded auxiliary data slices. The method continues at step 248 where the processing module recreates the auxiliary data from the de-sequenced encoded auxiliary data slices in accordance with the auxiliary error coding dispersal storage function parameters. If the auxiliary data was encrypted, this step further includes decrypting the auxiliary data.

**[0130]** The method continues at step 250 where the processing module processes the auxiliary data in accordance with one or more of the auxiliary error coding dispersal storage function parameters, a flag, a command, a lookup, and the de-sequence information. For example, the processing module discards at least some of the auxiliary data when the de-sequence information indicates that the auxiliary data contains random numbers. In another example, the processing

module subsequently de-sequences sequenced encoded data slices of a sequence seed contained within the auxiliary data when the de-sequence information indicates that the auxiliary data contains the sequence seed. In another example, the processing module subsequently de-sequences sequenced encoded data slices of desired data utilizing de-sequence information contained within the auxiliary data when the de-sequence information indicates that the auxiliary data contains the de-sequence information.

**[0131]** The method continues at step 252 where the processing module determines data de-sequence information, which is complimentary to the data sequence information. The method continues at step 254 where the processing module orders (e.g., de-sequences) the randomized encoded data slices based on the pseudo-random de-sequencing order to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices. The method continues at step 256 where the processing module dispersed storage error decodes the plurality of sets of encoded data slices to produce a plurality of data segments in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage function parameters.

**[0132]** The method continues at step 258 where the processing module aggregates the plurality of data segments to produce the data (e.g., a data stream or one or more data objects). The processing module may aggregate the plurality of data segments by ordering them in accordance with a data segment order of the pseudo-random de-sequencing order. The method continues at step 260 where the processing module sends the data to a requester.

**[0133]** Figure 11 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes many similar steps to Figure 9. The method begins with steps 210 – 214 of Figure 9 and then continues with step 268 where, in order of receiving data segments, the processing module encrypts a data segment to produce an encrypted data segment. The processing module may encrypt the data segment using one or more encrypting functions, which include an all or nothing transformation (AONT), a stored encryption key and an encryption algorithm, a random encryption and an encryption algorithm, an encryption key associated with at least one recipient and an encryption algorithm, an obfuscating method, and/or a null encryption method.

**[0134]** As a specific example, the processing module encrypts the data segment utilizing an all or nothing transformation (AONT) to produce an encrypted data segment. The processing module then calculates a hash of the encrypted data segment utilizing a hash function (e.g., secure hash function SHA-256, SHA-512 etc.), which may use a secret key. The processing module truncates

the encrypted data hash to match the number of bits of the secret key, or other key. The processing module calculates an exclusive OR (XOR) of the key and the (truncated) encrypted data hash to produce a masked key. The processing module appends the masked key to the encrypted data segment, which is subsequently dispersal storage error encoded.

**[0135]** The method continues at step 270 where the processing module dispersed storage error encodes the encrypted data segments to sets of encoded data slices. The method concludes with steps 218 – 232 of Figure 9.

**[0136]** Figure 12 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps to the flowchart of Figure 10. The method begins with steps 234-256 of Figure 10 and then continues with step 312 where the processing module decrypts the encrypted data segments of step 256 to produce a plurality of data segments. The decrypting includes the complement of the encrypting function used to encrypt the data segments.

**[0137]** For example, if the data segments were encrypted using the AONT encryption method, the processing module utilizes the AONT method to decrypt the encrypted data segment packages. As a more specific example, the processing module uses the AONT method and a key (e.g., a random key) to decrypt each encrypted data segment based on the random key used to decrypt at least one encrypted auxiliary data segment associated with the auxiliary data. The method concludes with steps 258 – 260 of Figure 10.

**[0138]** Figure 13 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes many similar steps to Figure 9. The method begins with steps 210 – 214 of Figure 9 and then continues with step 324 where the processing module determines a data segment type (e.g., content) of a data segment. The data segment type includes one or more of a file header, a video header, routing information, addressing information, compression information, source information, destination information, video, text, music, speech, audio, telemetry, control information, a command, a request, status information, a random number, a sequence seed, a key, a private key, a shared key, a secret key, a public key, and an image. Such a determination may be based on one or more of the data segment, a data segment type determination algorithm, the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, a requester identifier (ID), a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, sequence

information, a key, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a command, a predetermination, a message, a performance indicator, and information received in the store data object message.

**[0139]** The method continues at step 326, where, in order of receiving the data segments, the processing module selects an encryption method based on the data type (e.g., data segment type) and encrypts the data segment using the selected encryption method to produce an encrypted data segment. Such a selection of the encryption method may be based on one or more of the data segment type, the data segment, an encryption method determination algorithm, the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, a requester ID, a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, sequence information, a key, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a command, a predetermination, a message, the performance indicator, and information received in the store data object message.

**[0140]** For example, the processing module encrypts the data segment utilizing an all or nothing transformation (AONT) encryption method when the data segment type indicates that the type is a video header and the security indicator indicates to encrypt video headers. In another example, the processing module determines not to encrypt the data segment when the data segment type indicates that the type is routine status information and the security indicator indicates to not encrypt routine status information. In another example, the processing module selects the encryption method to include encrypting the data segment utilizing a key based on a calculation of a hash value (e.g., secure hash function SHA-256, SHA-512 etc.) over a key of the day, a source user ID, and a current time value. The method concludes with steps 218 – 232 of Figure 10.

**[0141]** Figure 14 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps to the flowchart of Figure 10. The method begins with steps 234-256 of Figure 10 and then continues with step 370 where the processing module determines a data segment type of a data segment. The processing module may determine the data segment type based on one or more of the data segment type extracted from the auxiliary data, from the sets of encoded data slices, from the encrypted data segments, the encrypted data segment, a data segment type determination algorithm, the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, a requester ID, a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, sequence information, a key, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a command, a predetermination, a message, a performance indicator, and information received in the store data object message.

**[0142]** The method continues at step 372 where the processing module selects a decryption method based on the data segment type and decrypts the encrypted data segments utilizing the decryption method to produce the plurality of data segments. Note that the decryption method may vary from encrypted data segment to encrypted data segment. The method concludes with steps 258 and 260 of Figure 10.

**[0143]** Figure 15 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9 and 11. The method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9, step 268 of Figure 11, and steps 216-220 of Figure 9. The method continues at step 392 where the processing module scrambles auxiliary data segments to produce scrambled auxiliary data segments utilizing a low processing utilization scrambling algorithm. The low processing utilization scrambling algorithm may include one or more of rearranging auxiliary data segment bits in accordance with a predetermined bit rearranging method, inverting all of the auxiliary data segment bits, inverting a portion of the auxiliary data segment bits in accordance with a predetermined method, and rearranging a portion of the auxiliary data segment bits in accordance with the predetermined bit rearranging method and inverting a portion of the auxiliary data segment bits in accordance with a predetermined bit inversion method. The processing module then dispersed storage error encodes the scrambled auxiliary data segments to produce encoded auxiliary data slices in accordance with auxiliary error coding dispersal storage function parameters as previously discussed. The method concludes with steps 224 – 232 of Figure 9.

**[0144]** Figure 16 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10 and 12. The method begins with steps 234 -246 of Figure 10 and continues with step 418 where the processing module dispersed storage error decodes the de-sequenced encoded auxiliary data slices to produce scrambled auxiliary data segments. The processing module de-scrambles (e.g., the compliment of the scrambling) the scrambled auxiliary data segments to produce auxiliary data segments in accordance with a de-scrambling algorithm. The processing module aggregates the auxiliary data segments to produce the auxiliary data. The method concludes with steps 250-256 of Figure 10, step 312 of Figure 12, and steps 258 – 260 of Figure 10.

**[0145]** Figure 17 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9 and 11. The

method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9 and continues at step 440 where the processing module determines an obfuscating method based on one or more of the error coding dispersal storage functions parameters, a requester identifier (ID), a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, sequence information, a key, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a command, a predetermination, a message, information in the store data object message, and a performance indicator. The obfuscating method may include one or more of adding random bits (e.g., creation of a new data segment that contains all of the bits of at least one receive data segment of the received data segments and new random bits), inverting bits of the received data segment, and replacing a portion of the bits of the received data segment with bits produced from a obfuscation calculation based on the portion of bits of the received data segment (e.g., a logical XOR of the data segment bits with a key). The method concludes with step 268 of Figure 11 and sets 216 – 232 of Figure 9.

**[0146]** Figure 18 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10 and 12. The method begins with steps 234 -256 of Figure 10 and step 312 of Figure 12. The method continues at step 488 where the processing module determines a de-obfuscating method (e.g., the compliment of the obfuscating method). The processing module may determine the de-obfuscating method may be based on one or more of the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, a requester identifier (ID), a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, sequence information, a key, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a command, a predetermination, a message, information in the store data object message, and a performance indicator. The method concludes with steps 258 – 260 of Figure 10.

**[0147]** Figure 19 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9 and 11. The method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9 and continues at step 500 where the processing module determines a secret key. Such a determination may be based on one or more of retrieval from a memory, a list, a lookup, a command, a message, a predetermination, and a calculation. Note that the processing module may determine a secret key for each data segment of the received data segments. In an example, the processing module calculates the secret key by hashing a key of the day, a user device identifier (ID), and a current date value.

**[0148]** The processing module encrypts the data segment in accordance with encryption algorithm utilizing the secret key to produce an encrypted data segment as a data segment of the received data segments. The processing module may determine a second key based on one or more of retrieval from a memory, a list, a lookup, a command, a message, a predetermination, and a calculation. For example, the processing module determines the second key as a public key from a lookup subsequent to receiving the public key and storing it in a memory. The processing module encrypts the secret key in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage option parameters utilizing the second key to produce an encrypted secret key and appends the encrypted secret key to an associated encrypted data segment and/or to one or more encoded data slices of the associated encrypted data segment. The method concludes with step 268 of Figure 11 and steps 216 – 232 of Figure 9.

**[0149]** Figure 20 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10 and 12. The method begins with steps 234 -256 of Figure 10 and step 312 of Figure 12. The method continues at step 548 where the processing module extracts an encrypted secret key from the encrypted data segment and/or from at least one of the encoded data slices of the encrypted data segment. The processing module determines a second key based on one or more of a retrieval from a memory, a list, a lookup, a command, a message, a predetermination, and a calculation.

**[0150]** The processing module decrypts the encrypted secret key in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage function parameters (e.g., a specified decryption algorithm) utilizing the second key to produce a received secret key. The processing module determines a secret key based on one or more of the received secret key, retrieval from a memory, a list, a lookup, a command, a message, a predetermination, and a calculation. The processing module decrypts each of the further encrypted data segment (e.g., after the AONT method) in accordance with the error coding dispersal storage function parameters (e.g., a decryption algorithm) utilizing the corresponding secret key. The method concludes with steps 258 – 260 of Figure 10.

**[0151]** Figure 21 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9 and 11. The method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9, step 268 of Figure 11, and steps 216 – 218 of Figure 9. The method continues at step 566 where the processing module determines a sequence seed based on one or more of the sequence information, a seed generation algorithm, a hash function, a

received key, a stored key, a calculated key, a data type (e.g., video, audio, telemetry, commands, status information, etc.), a requester identifier (ID), a vault lookup, a data object name, a data object, a data stream, received sequence information (e.g., part of the request message), the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, information received in the store data object request message, a calculation, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a list, a command, a predetermination, a message, a previous seed, a last seed, a previous seed, and a performance indicator. For example, the processing module determines the sequence seed to include a calculated (e.g., hash) value of 1F46D8EA39B based on a hash over a source user device 5F02D77B, a key 34D8AB90, a sequence algorithm 3AC, and a video data type. The method concludes with steps 220 – 234 of Figure 9.

**[0152]** Figure 22 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10 and 12. The method begins with steps 234 -252 of Figure 10 and continues at step 602 where the processing module determines a de-sequence seed based on one or more of the de-sequence information, a seed generation algorithm, a hash function, a received key, a stored key, a calculated key, a data type (e.g., video, audio, telemetry, commands, status information, etc.), a requester identifier (ID), a vault lookup, a data object name, auxiliary data, a received sequence information (e.g., part of the request message), the error coding dispersal storage function parameters, information received in the retrieve data object request message, a calculation, a priority indicator, a security indicator, a list, a command, a predetermination, a message, a previous seed, a last seed, and a performance indicator. For example, the processing module determines the de-sequence seed to include a calculated (e.g., hash) value of 1F46D8EA39B based on a hash over a source user device 5F02D77B, a key 34D8AB90, a sequence algorithm 3AC, and a video data type.

**[0153]** The method continues at step 254 where the processing module orders the encoded data slices based on a pseudo-random de-sequencing order using the de-sequence seed. The method concludes with step 256 of Figure 10, 312 of Figure 12 and steps 258 – 260 of Figure 10.

**[0154]** Figure 23 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9 and 11. The method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9, step 268 of Figure 11, and steps 216 – 218 of Figure 9. The method continues at step 626 where the processing module determines a sequence seed, an encryption key or seed, which it appends to one or more data segments. In this step, the processing

module encrypts the sequence seed utilizing the encryption key to produce an encrypted sequence seed. Note that the encryption key may be varied from data segment to data segment. Alternatively, or in addition to, the processing module may include the sequence seed as data of the auxiliary data. The method concludes with steps 220 – 232 of Figure 9.

**[0155]** Figure 24 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10 and 12. The method begins with steps 234 -252 of Figure 10 and continues at step 662 where the processing module extracts an appended encrypted sequence seed from one or more of an auxiliary data segment, and encoded auxiliary data slice, and an encoded and sliced to produce an encrypted de-sequence seed. The processing module decrypts the encrypted de-sequence seed in accordance utilizing a private key (e.g., of a public/private key pair of an associated destination user device) to produce a decrypted de-sequence seed. In an example, the processing module determines the de-sequence seed to include a value of 1F46D8EA39B based on the decrypted de-sequence seed. In another example, the processing module determines the de-sequence seed to include a calculated (e.g., hash) value of 1F46D8EA39B based on a hash over a source user device 5F02D77B, a key 34D8AB90, a sequence algorithm 3AC, and a video data type.

**[0156]** The method continues at step 254 where the processing module orders the encoded data slices based on a pseudo-random de-sequencing order utilizing the de-sequence seed. The method concludes with step 256 of Figure 10, step 312 of Figure 12, and steps 258-260 of Figure 10.

**[0157]** Figure 25 is another flowchart illustrating another example of encoding data to produce encoded data slices, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 9, 11, and 21. The method begins with steps 210-214 of Figure 9, step 268 of Figure 11, steps 216 – 218 of Figure 9, step 566 of Figure 21, and steps 220-230 of Figure 9. The method continues at step 700 where processing module sends the output sequenced slices to a dispersed storage (DS) processing unit (e.g., that may have requested slices and that may have provided a sequence seed and other information) for storage in at least one dispersed storage network (DSN) memory. In an example, the processing module sends first buffered encoded data slices and, at most, some second buffered encoded data slices of second buffered encoded data slices to the DSN memory for storage therein. Note that the output sequenced slices may be communicated from the source user device to the DS processing unit via one or more wireless modules utilizing wireless signals.

**[0158]** Figure 26 is another flowchart illustrating another example of decoding encoded data slices to produce data, which includes similar steps from the flowcharts of Figures 10, 12, and 22. The method begins with steps 234 -252 of Figure 10, step 602 of Figure 22, steps 254 – 256 of Figure 9, and step 312 of Figure 12. The method continues at step 730 where the processing module aggregates the plurality of data segments to produce a data stream or data object and determines second error coding dispersal storage function parameters based on one or more of information in the retrieve data object message, a user device ID, a DS processing unit ID, a vault lookup, a predetermination, a command, and a message. The processing module dispersed storage error and codes the data stream or data object to produce a plurality of sets of re-encoded data slices in accordance with the second error coding dispersal storage parameters. The method continues at step 732 where the processing module sends slices to the DSN memory for storage therein in accordance with the slice storage format. For example, the processing module sends the obtained encoded data slices to the DSN memory for storage therein when the processing module determines that the slice storage format includes storing information in the format of the obtained encoded data slices (e.g., path A). In another example, the processing module sends the plurality of sets of encoded data slices to the DSN memory for storage therein when the processing module determines that the slice storage format includes storing information in the format of the plurality of the encoded data slices (e.g., path C). In another example, the processing module dispersed storage error encodes the plurality of data segments to produce the plurality of sets of re-encoded data slices and sends the plurality of sets of re-encoded data slices to the DSN memory for storage therein when the processing module determines that the slice storage format includes storing information in the format of re-encoded data slices.

**[0159]** It is noted that terminologies as may be used herein such as bit stream, stream, signal sequence, etc. (or their equivalents) have been used interchangeably to describe digital information whose content corresponds to any of a number of desired types (e.g., data, video, speech, text, graphics, audio, etc. any of which may generally be referred to as ‘data’).

**[0160]** As may be used herein, the terms “substantially” and “approximately” provides an industry-accepted tolerance for its corresponding term and/or relativity between items. For some industries, an industry-accepted tolerance is less than one percent and, for other industries, the industry-accepted tolerance is 10 percent or more. Other examples of industry-accepted tolerance range from less than one percent to fifty percent. Industry-accepted tolerances correspond to, but

are not limited to, component values, integrated circuit process variations, temperature variations, rise and fall times, thermal noise, dimensions, signaling errors, dropped packets, temperatures, pressures, material compositions, and/or performance metrics. Within an industry, tolerance variances of accepted tolerances may be more or less than a percentage level (e.g., dimension tolerance of less than +/- 1%). Some relativity between items may range from a difference of less than a percentage level to a few percent. Other relativity between items may range from a difference of a few percent to magnitude of differences.

**[0161]** Figure 27 is a schematic block diagram of an embodiment of a computing device (e.g., user device 12 or DS processing unit 16) of the distributed or dispersed storage network (DSN). When a computing device 734 has data to store it disperse storage error encodes the data in accordance with a dispersed storage error encoding process based on dispersed storage error encoding parameters. The dispersed storage error encoding parameters include an encoding function (e.g., information dispersal algorithm, Reed-Solomon, Cauchy Reed-Solomon, systematic encoding, non-systematic encoding, on-line codes, etc.), a data segmenting protocol (e.g., data segment size, fixed, variable, etc.), and per data segment encoding values. The per data segment encoding values include a total, or pillar width, number (T) of encoded data slices per encoding of a data segment i.e., in a set of encoded data slices); a decode threshold number (D) of encoded data slices of a set of encoded data slices that are needed to recover the data segment; a read threshold number (R) of encoded data slices to indicate a number of encoded data slices per set to be read from storage for decoding of the data segment; and/or a write threshold number (W) to indicate a number of encoded data slices per set that must be accurately stored before the encoded data segment is deemed to have been properly stored. The dispersed storage error encoding parameters may further include slicing information (e.g., the number of encoded data slices that will be created for each data segment) and/or slice security information (e.g., per encoded data slice encryption, compression, integrity checksum, etc.).

**[0162]** In the present example, Cauchy Reed-Solomon has been selected as the encoding function; the data segmenting protocol is to divide the data object into fixed sized data segments; and the per data segment encoding values include: a pillar width of 5, a decode threshold of 3, a read threshold of 4, and a write threshold of 4. In accordance with the data segmenting protocol, the computing device 734 divides the data (e.g., a file (e.g., text, video, audio, etc.), a data object, or other data arrangement) into a plurality of fixed sized data segments (e.g., 1 through Y of a fixed

size in range of Kilo-bytes to Tera-bytes or more). The number of data segments created is dependent of the size of the data and the data segmenting protocol.

**[0163]** The computing device 734 then disperse storage error encodes the plurality of data segments using the selected encoding function (e.g., Cauchy Reed-Solomon) to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices (EDSs). The computing device 734 may encrypt one or more of the plurality of data segments using one or more encrypting functions, which include an all or nothing transformation (AONT), a stored encryption key and an encryption algorithm, a random encryption and an encryption algorithm, an encryption key associated with at least one recipient and an encryption algorithm, an obfuscating method, and/or a null encryption method.

**[0164]** Computing device 734 dispersed storage error encodes an auxiliary data segment 738 of auxiliary data 736 (e.g., null data, authentication information, a next pseudo random output sequencing order, a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier, a next outputting threshold, a random number generator output, an encryption key, a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order, a device identifier, a data identifier, a data type, a data size indicator, a priority indicator, a security indicator, and/or a performance indicator) to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices (EADSs 1\_1 through 5\_1).

**[0165]** The computing device 734 may encrypt the auxiliary data 736 using one or more encrypting functions, which include an all or nothing transformation (AONT), a stored encryption key and an encryption algorithm, a random encryption and an encryption algorithm, an encryption key associated with at least one recipient and an encryption algorithm, an obfuscating method, and/or a null encryption method. The auxiliary data may be encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of encrypted data segments.

**[0166]** The computing device 734 obfuscates a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices. The obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices may include interspersing the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order. In this example, encoded auxiliary data slices EADS 1\_1 and EADS 3\_1 of the first set of encoded auxiliary data slices are interspersed within the first set of encoded data slices to create the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices (EDSs).

**[0167]** The computing device 734 obfuscates a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices. The obfuscating the second set of encoded data slices may include interspersing the at least one other encoded auxiliary data slices within the second set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order. In this example, encoded auxiliary data slices EADS 2\_1 and EADS 4\_1 of the first set of encoded auxiliary data slices are interspersed within the second set of encoded data slices to create the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices (EDSs).

**[0168]** Computing device 734 may further dispersed storage error encode the auxiliary data 736 to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices. The computing device 734 obfuscates the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices. The computing device 734 may also obfuscate the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

**[0169]** Computing device 734 outputs the first and second sets of obfuscated (and/or further obfuscated) encoded data slices for storage.

**[0170]** Figure 28 is a flowchart illustrating an example of secure data transmission utilizing distributed storage. The method begins with step 740 where a computing device (e.g., user device 12 or DS processing unit 16) of the DSN disperse storage error encodes a plurality of data segments to produce a plurality of sets of encoded data slices (EDSs). The computing device may encrypt one or more of the plurality of data segments using one or more encrypting functions, which include an all or nothing transformation (AONT), a stored encryption key and an encryption algorithm, a random encryption and an encryption algorithm, an encryption key associated with at least one recipient and an encryption algorithm, an obfuscating method, and/or a null encryption method.

**[0171]** The method continues with step 742 where the computing device dispersed storage error encodes an auxiliary data segment of auxiliary data (e.g., null data, authentication information, a next pseudo random output sequencing order, a pseudo random output sequencing order identifier, a next outputting threshold, a random number generator output, an encryption key, a starting point for the pseudo random output sequencing order, a device identifier, a data identifier,

a data type, a data size indicator, a priority indicator, a security indicator, and/or a performance indicator) to produce a set of encoded auxiliary data slices (EADSs).

**[0172]** The computing device may encrypt the auxiliary data using one or more encrypting functions, which include an all or nothing transformation (AONT), a stored encryption key and an encryption algorithm, a random encryption and an encryption algorithm, an encryption key associated with at least one recipient and an encryption algorithm, an obfuscating method, and/or a null encryption method. The auxiliary data may be encrypted via an encryption methodology used to encrypt the plurality of encrypted data segments.

**[0173]** The method continues with step 744 where the computing device obfuscates a first set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of obfuscated encoded data slices. The obfuscating the first set of encoded data slices may include interspersing the at least one encoded auxiliary data slices within the first set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order.

**[0174]** The method continues with step 746 where the computing device obfuscates a second set of encoded data slices of the plurality of sets of encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slices of the set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of obfuscated encoded data slices. The obfuscating the second set of encoded data slices may include interspersing the at least one other encoded auxiliary data slices within the second set of encoded data slices in accordance with a pseudo random output sequencing order.

**[0175]** The computing device may further dispersed storage error encode the auxiliary data to produce a second set of encoded auxiliary data slices. The computing device obfuscates the first set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one encoded auxiliary data slices of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a first set of further obfuscated encoded data slices. The computing device may also obfuscate the second set of obfuscated encoded data slices using at least one other encoded auxiliary data slice of the second set of encoded auxiliary data slices to produce a second set of further obfuscated encoded data slices.

**[0176]** The method continues with step 748 where the computing device outputs the first and second sets of obfuscated (and/or further obfuscated) encoded data slices for storage.

**[0177]** As may also be used herein, the term(s) “configured to”, “operably coupled to”, “coupled to”, and/or “coupling” includes direct coupling between items and/or indirect coupling

between items via an intervening item (e.g., an item includes, but is not limited to, a component, an element, a circuit, and/or a module) where, for an example of indirect coupling, the intervening item does not modify the information of a signal but may adjust its current level, voltage level, and/or power level. As may further be used herein, inferred coupling (i.e., where one element is coupled to another element by inference) includes direct and indirect coupling between two items in the same manner as “coupled to”.

**[0178]** As may even further be used herein, the term “configured to”, “operable to”, “coupled to”, or “operably coupled to” indicates that an item includes one or more of power connections, input(s), output(s), etc., to perform, when activated, one or more its corresponding functions and may further include inferred coupling to one or more other items. As may still further be used herein, the term “associated with”, includes direct and/or indirect coupling of separate items and/or one item being embedded within another item.

**[0179]** As may be used herein, the term “compares favorably”, indicates that a comparison between two or more items, signals, etc., provides a desired relationship. For example, when the desired relationship is that signal 1 has a greater magnitude than signal 2, a favorable comparison may be achieved when the magnitude of signal 1 is greater than that of signal 2 or when the magnitude of signal 2 is less than that of signal 1. As may be used herein, the term “compares unfavorably”, indicates that a comparison between two or more items, signals, etc., fails to provide the desired relationship.

**[0180]** As may be used herein, one or more claims may include, in a specific form of this generic form, the phrase “at least one of a, b, and c” or of this generic form “at least one of a, b, or c”, with more or less elements than “a”, “b”, and “c”. In either phrasing, the phrases are to be interpreted identically. In particular, “at least one of a, b, and c” is equivalent to “at least one of a, b, or c” and shall mean a, b, and/or c. As an example, it means: “a” only, “b” only, “c” only, “a” and “b”, “a” and “c”, “b” and “c”, and/or “a”, “b”, and “c”.

**[0181]** As may also be used herein, the terms “processing module”, “processing circuit”, “processor”, “processing circuitry”, and/or “processing unit” may be a single processing device or a plurality of processing devices. Such a processing device may be a microprocessor, microcontroller, digital signal processor, microcomputer, central processing unit, field programmable gate array, programmable logic device, state machine, logic circuitry, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or any device that manipulates signals (analog and/or digital) based on hard coding

of the circuitry and/or operational instructions. The processing module, module, processing circuit, processing circuitry, and/or processing unit may be, or further include, memory and/or an integrated memory element, which may be a single memory device, a plurality of memory devices, and/or embedded circuitry of another processing module, module, processing circuit, processing circuitry, and/or processing unit. Such a memory device may be a read-only memory, random access memory, volatile memory, non-volatile memory, static memory, dynamic memory, flash memory, cache memory, and/or any device that stores digital information. Note that if the processing module, module, processing circuit, processing circuitry, and/or processing unit includes more than one processing device, the processing devices may be centrally located (e.g., directly coupled together via a wired and/or wireless bus structure) or may be distributedly located (e.g., cloud computing via indirect coupling via a local area network and/or a wide area network). Further note that if the processing module, module, processing circuit, processing circuitry and/or processing unit implements one or more of its functions via a state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry, the memory and/or memory element storing the corresponding operational instructions may be embedded within, or external to, the circuitry comprising the state machine, analog circuitry, digital circuitry, and/or logic circuitry. Still further note that, the memory element may store, and the processing module, module, processing circuit, processing circuitry and/or processing unit executes, hard coded and/or operational instructions corresponding to at least some of the steps and/or functions illustrated in one or more of the Figures. Such a memory device or memory element can be included in an article of manufacture.

**[0182]** One or more embodiments have been described above with the aid of method steps illustrating the performance of specified functions and relationships thereof. The boundaries and sequence of these functional building blocks and method steps have been arbitrarily defined herein for convenience of description. Alternate boundaries and sequences can be defined so long as the specified functions and relationships are appropriately performed. Any such alternate boundaries or sequences are thus within the scope and spirit of the claims. Further, the boundaries of these functional building blocks have been arbitrarily defined for convenience of description. Alternate boundaries could be defined as long as the certain significant functions are appropriately performed. Similarly, flow diagram blocks may also have been arbitrarily defined herein to illustrate certain significant functionality.

**[0183]** To the extent used, the flow diagram block boundaries and sequence could have been defined otherwise and still perform the certain significant functionality. Such alternate definitions of both functional building blocks and flow diagram blocks and sequences are thus within the scope and spirit of the claims. One of average skill in the art will also recognize that the functional building blocks, and other illustrative blocks, modules and components herein, can be implemented as illustrated or by discrete components, application specific integrated circuits, processors executing appropriate software and the like or any combination thereof.

**[0184]** In addition, a flow diagram may include a “start” and/or “continue” indication. The “start” and “continue” indications reflect that the steps presented can optionally be incorporated in or otherwise used in conjunction with one or more other routines. In addition, a flow diagram may include an “end” and/or “continue” indication. The “end” and/or “continue” indications reflect that the steps presented can end as described and shown or optionally be incorporated in or otherwise used in conjunction with one or more other routines. In this context, “start” indicates the beginning of the first step presented and may be preceded by other activities not specifically shown. Further, the “continue” indication reflects that the steps presented may be performed multiple times and/or may be succeeded by other activities not specifically shown. Further, while a flow diagram indicates a particular ordering of steps, other orderings are likewise possible provided that the principles of causality are maintained.

**[0185]** The one or more embodiments are used herein to illustrate one or more aspects, one or more features, one or more concepts, and/or one or more examples. A physical embodiment of an apparatus, an article of manufacture, a machine, and/or of a process may include one or more of the aspects, features, concepts, examples, etc. described with reference to one or more of the embodiments discussed herein. Further, from figure to figure, the embodiments may incorporate the same or similarly named functions, steps, modules, etc. that may use the same or different reference numbers and, as such, the functions, steps, modules, etc. may be the same or similar functions, steps, modules, etc. or different ones.

**[0186]** While the transistors in the above described figure(s) is/are shown as field effect transistors (FETs), as one of ordinary skill in the art will appreciate, the transistors may be implemented using any type of transistor structure including, but not limited to, bipolar, metal oxide semiconductor field effect transistors (MOSFET), N-well transistors, P-well transistors, enhancement mode, depletion mode, and zero voltage threshold (VT) transistors.

**[0187]** Unless specifically stated to the contra, signals to, from, and/or between elements in a figure of any of the figures presented herein may be analog or digital, continuous time or discrete time, and single-ended or differential. For instance, if a signal path is shown as a single-ended path, it also represents a differential signal path. Similarly, if a signal path is shown as a differential path, it also represents a single-ended signal path. While one or more particular architectures are described herein, other architectures can likewise be implemented that use one or more data buses not expressly shown, direct connectivity between elements, and/or indirect coupling between other elements as recognized by one of average skill in the art.

**[0188]** The term “module” is used in the description of one or more of the embodiments. A module implements one or more functions via a device such as a processor or other processing device or other hardware that may include or operate in association with a memory that stores operational instructions. A module may operate independently and/or in conjunction with software and/or firmware. As also used herein, a module may contain one or more sub-modules, each of which may be one or more modules.

**[0189]** As may further be used herein, a computer readable memory includes one or more memory elements. A memory element may be a separate memory device, multiple memory devices, or a set of memory locations within a memory device. Such a memory device may be a read-only memory, random access memory, volatile memory, non-volatile memory, static memory, dynamic memory, flash memory, cache memory, and/or any device that stores digital information. The memory device may be in a form a solid-state memory, a hard drive memory, cloud memory, thumb drive, server memory, computing device memory, and/or other physical medium for storing digital information.

**[0190]** While particular combinations of various functions and features of the one or more embodiments have been expressly described herein, other combinations of these features and functions are likewise possible. The present disclosure is not limited by the particular examples disclosed herein and expressly incorporates these other combinations.

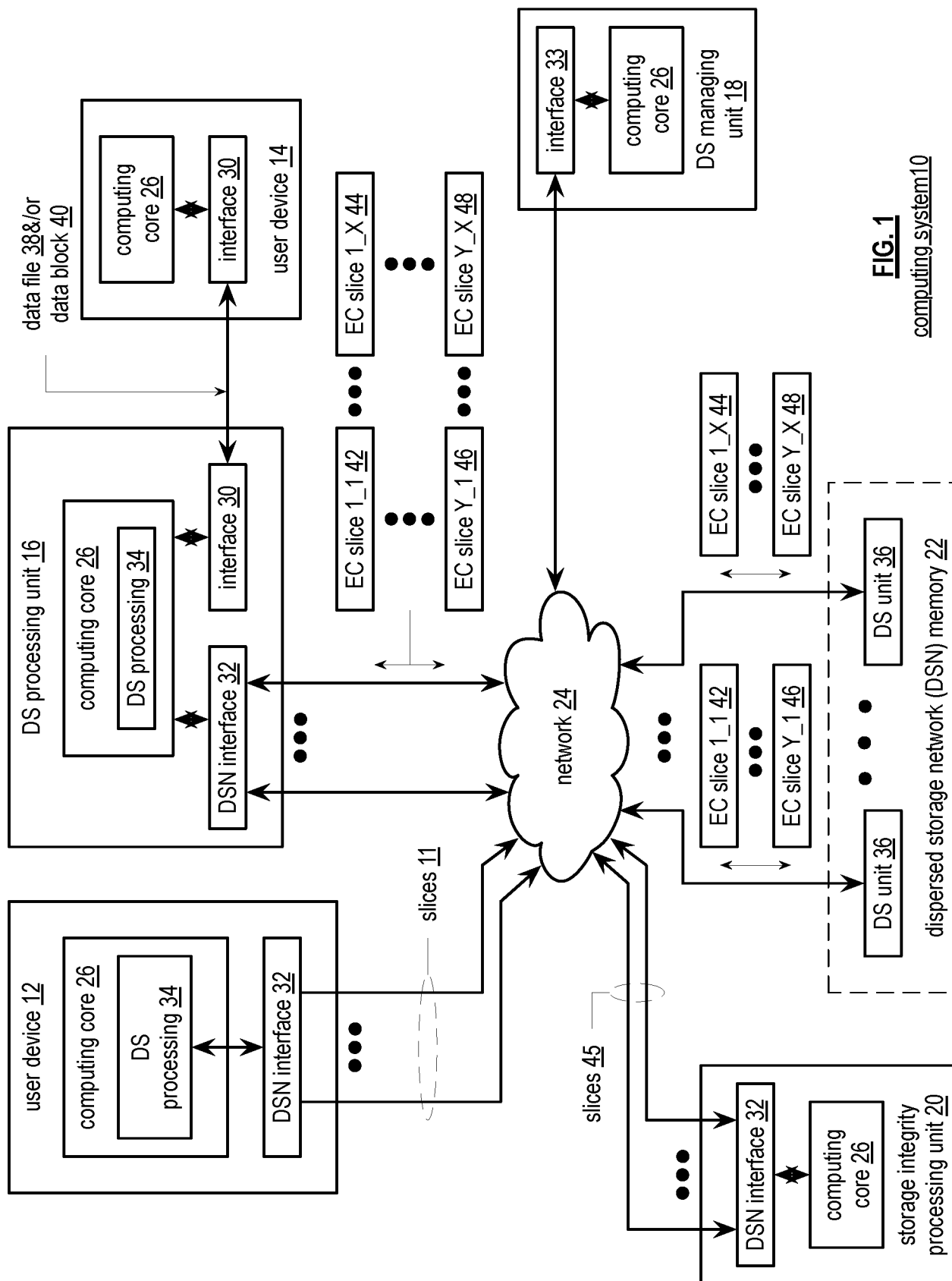


**FIG. 1**  
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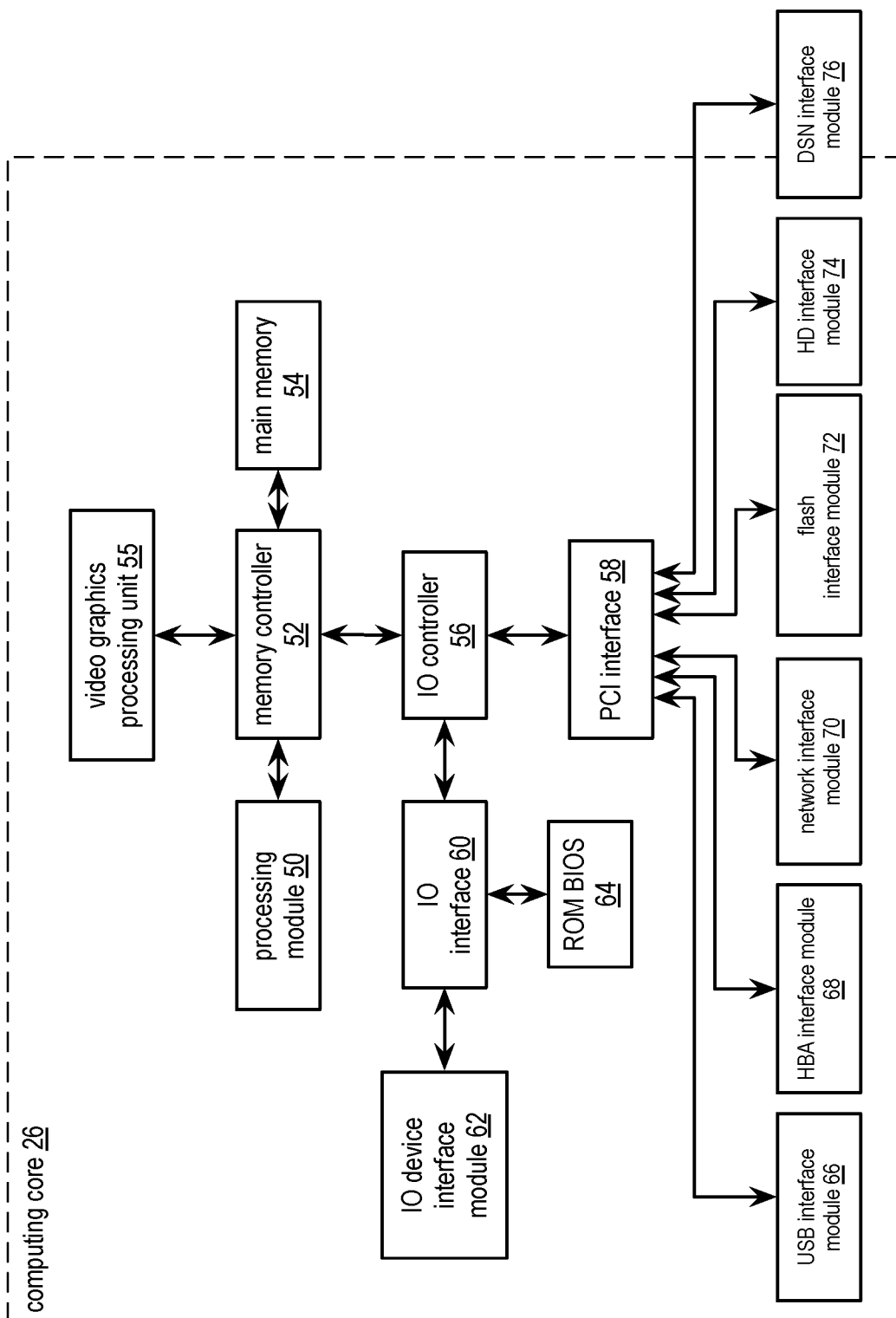


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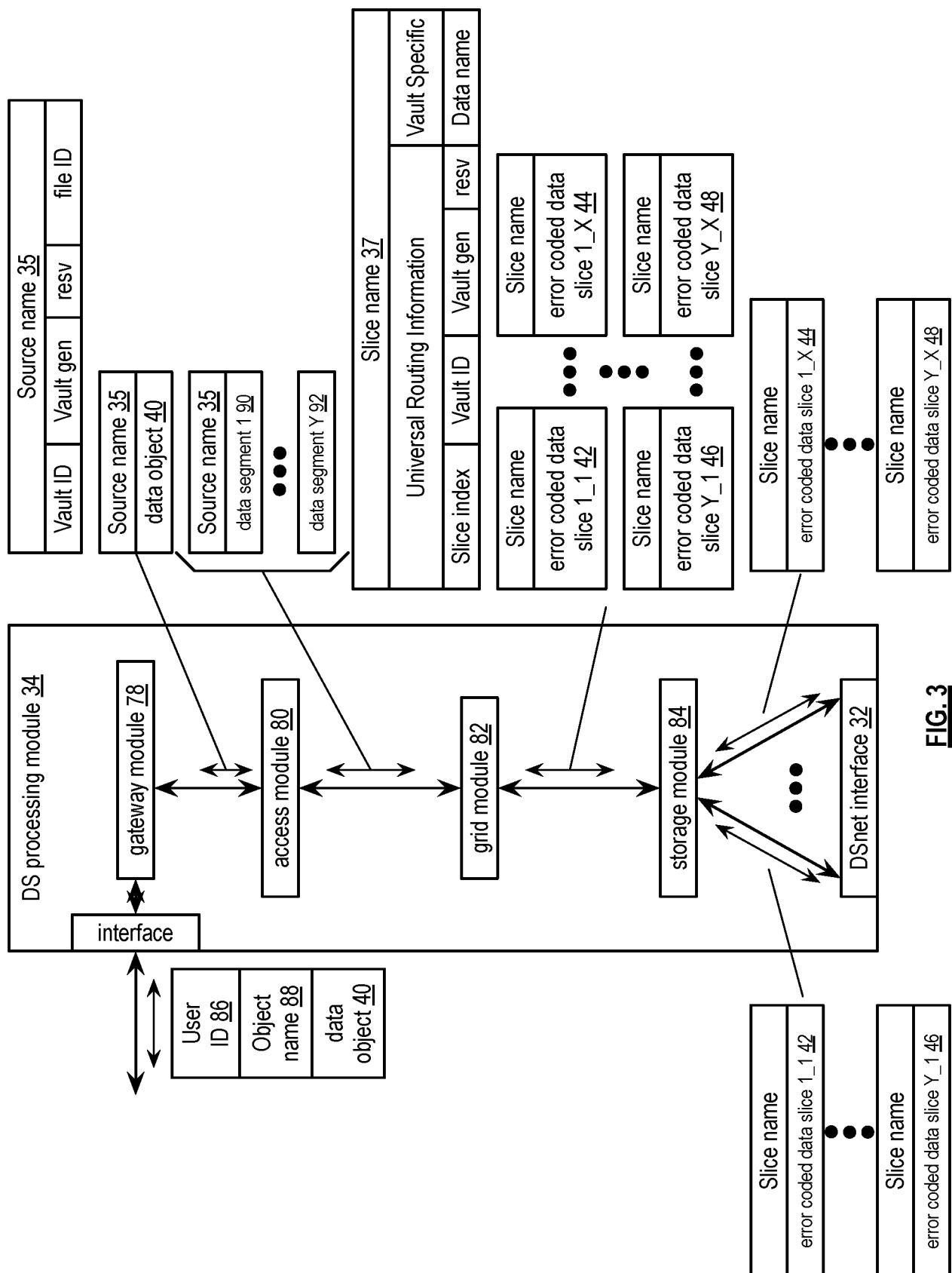


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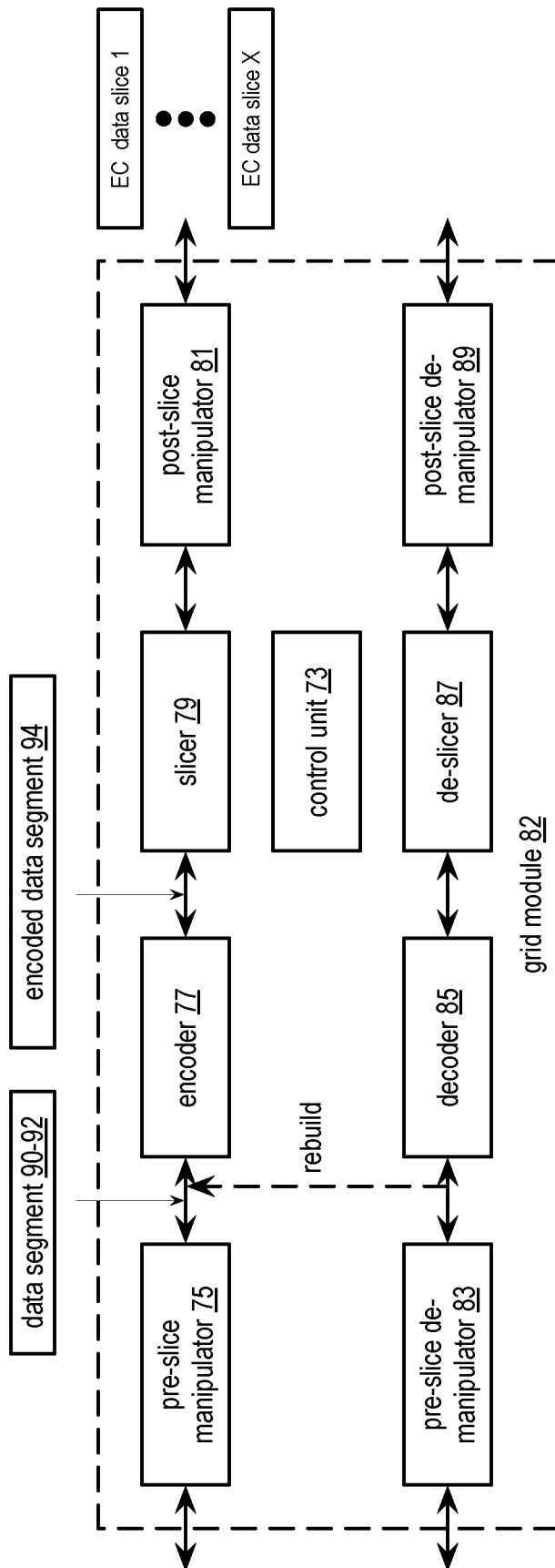


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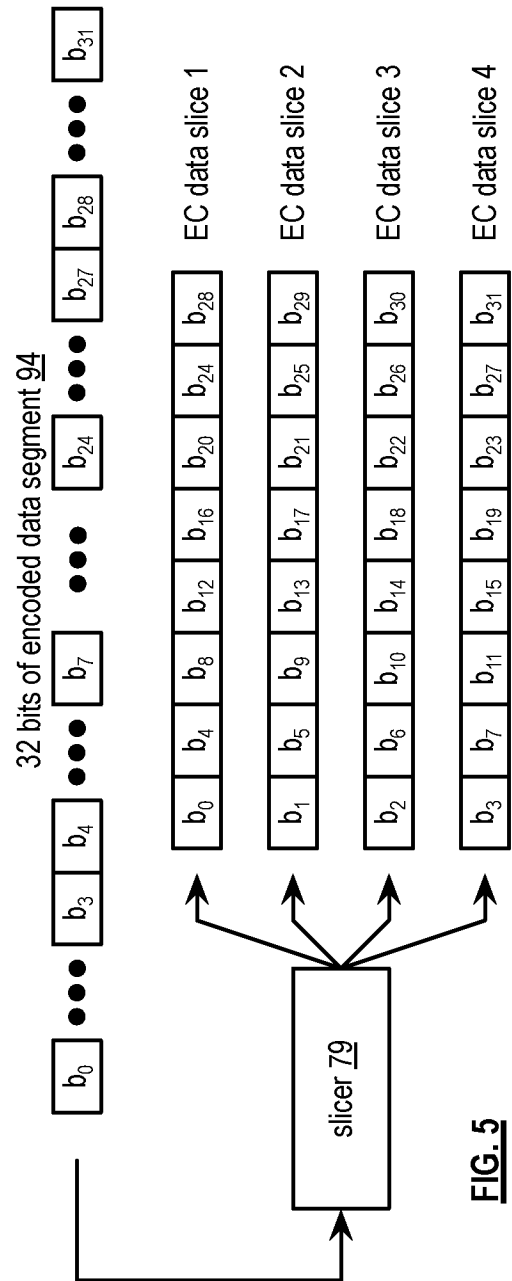


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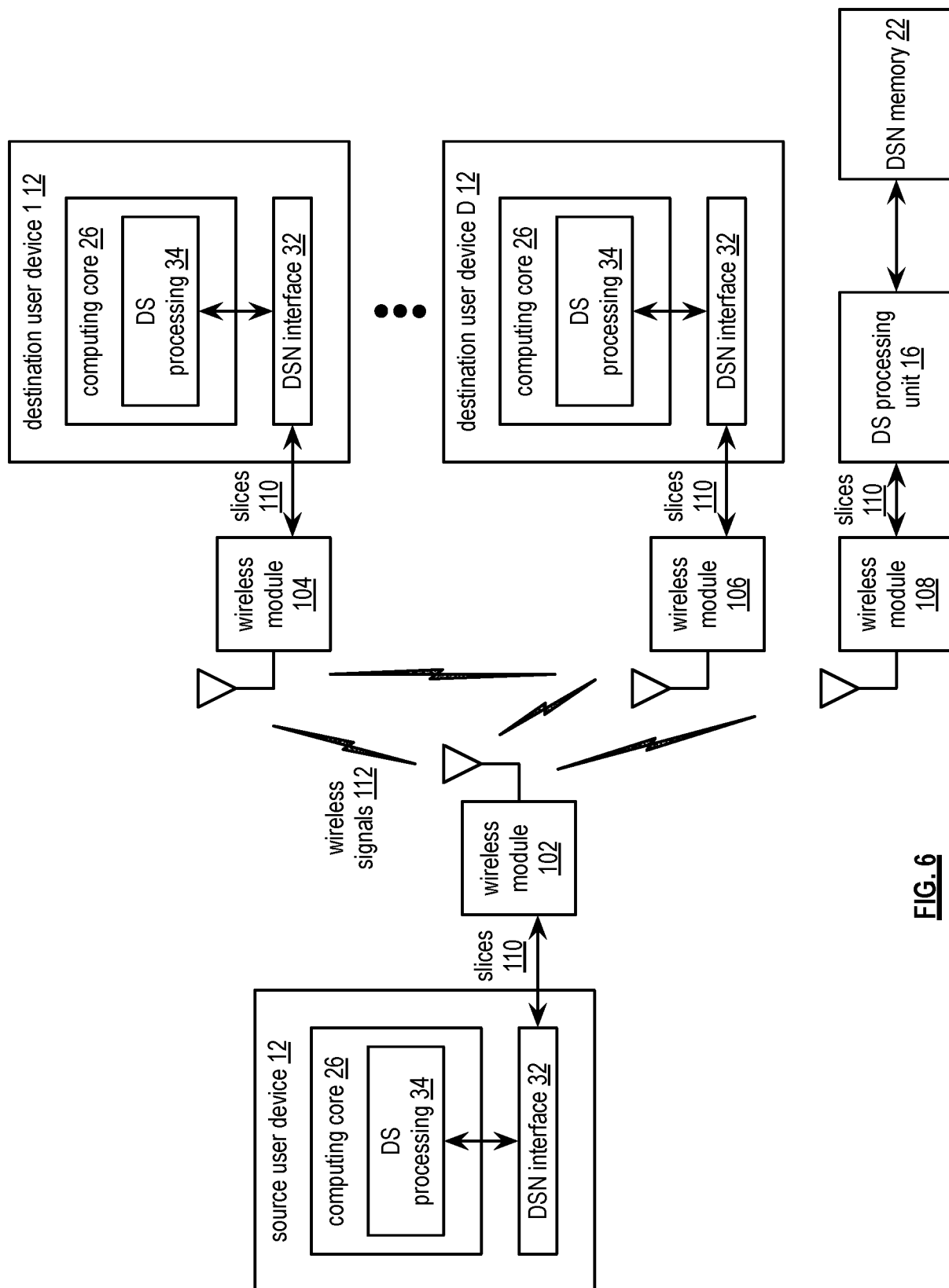


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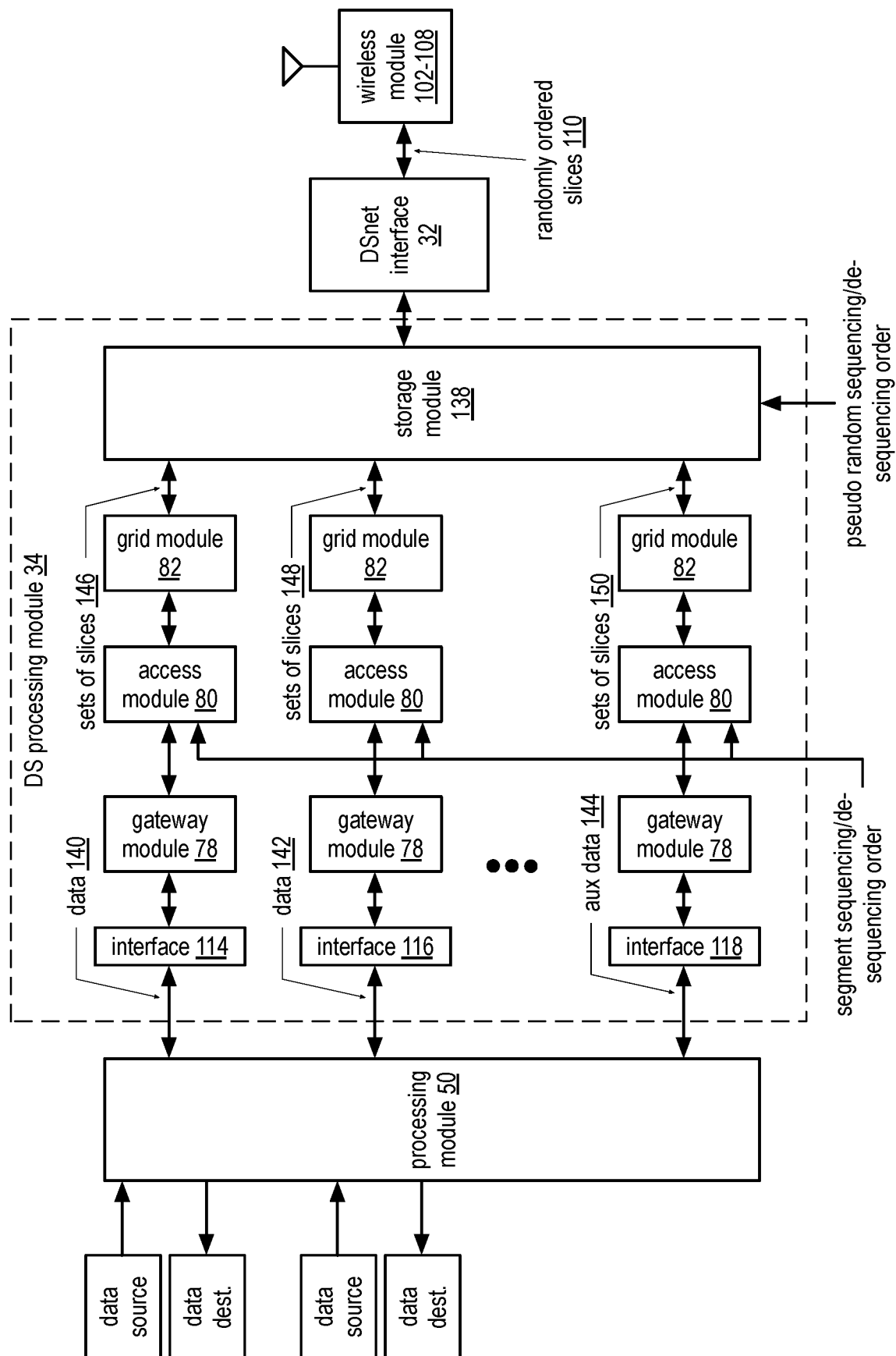


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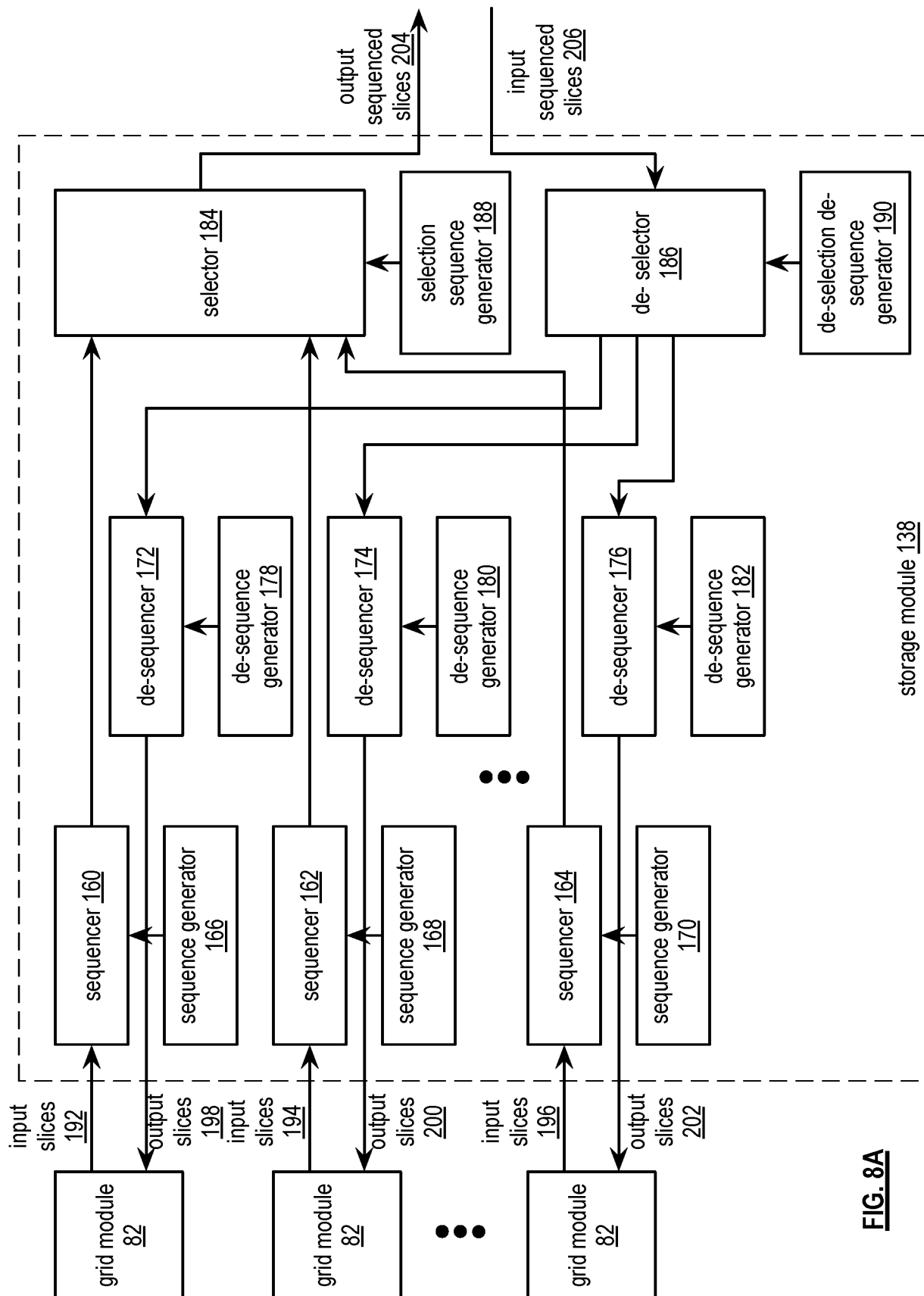


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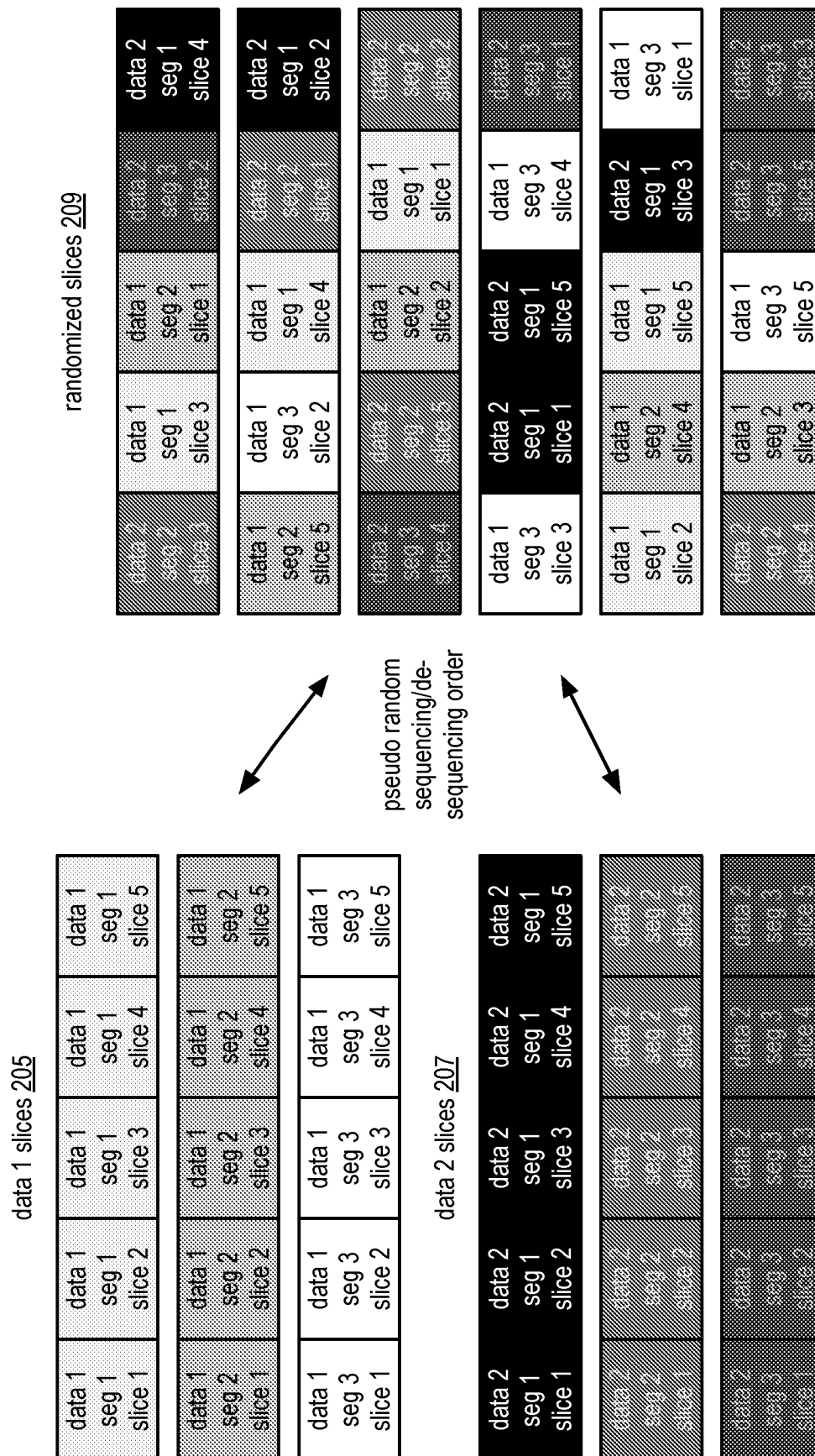


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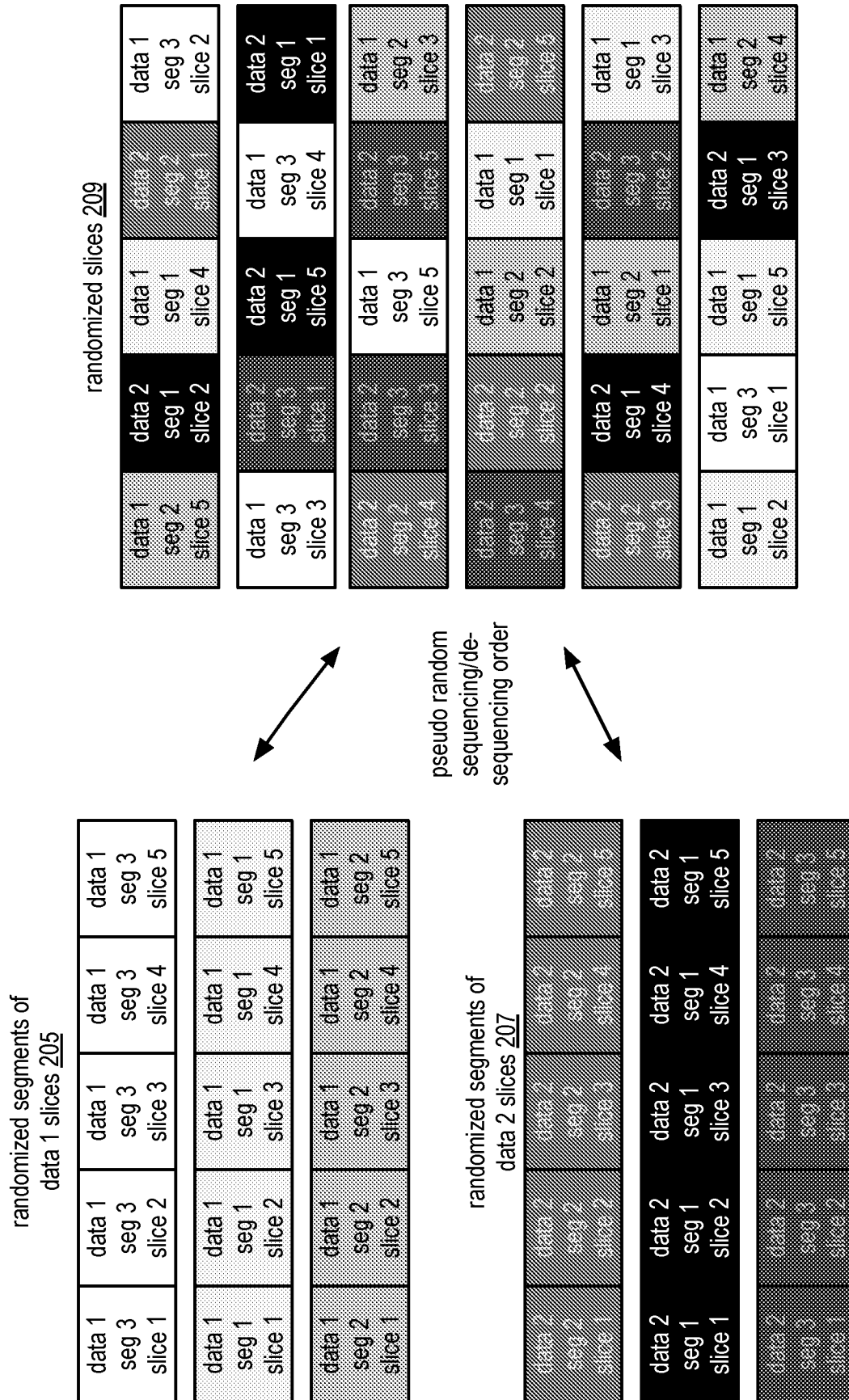
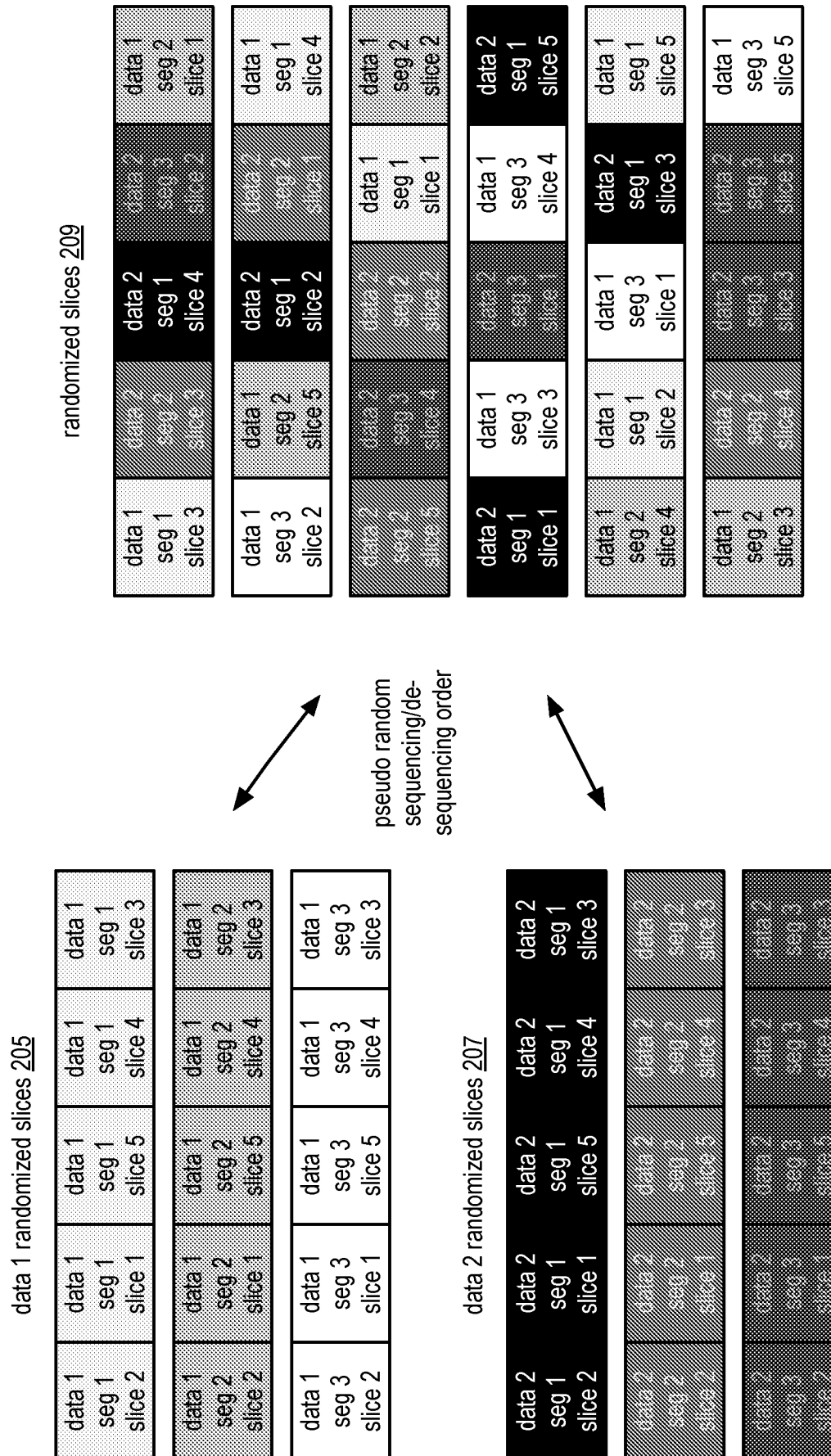


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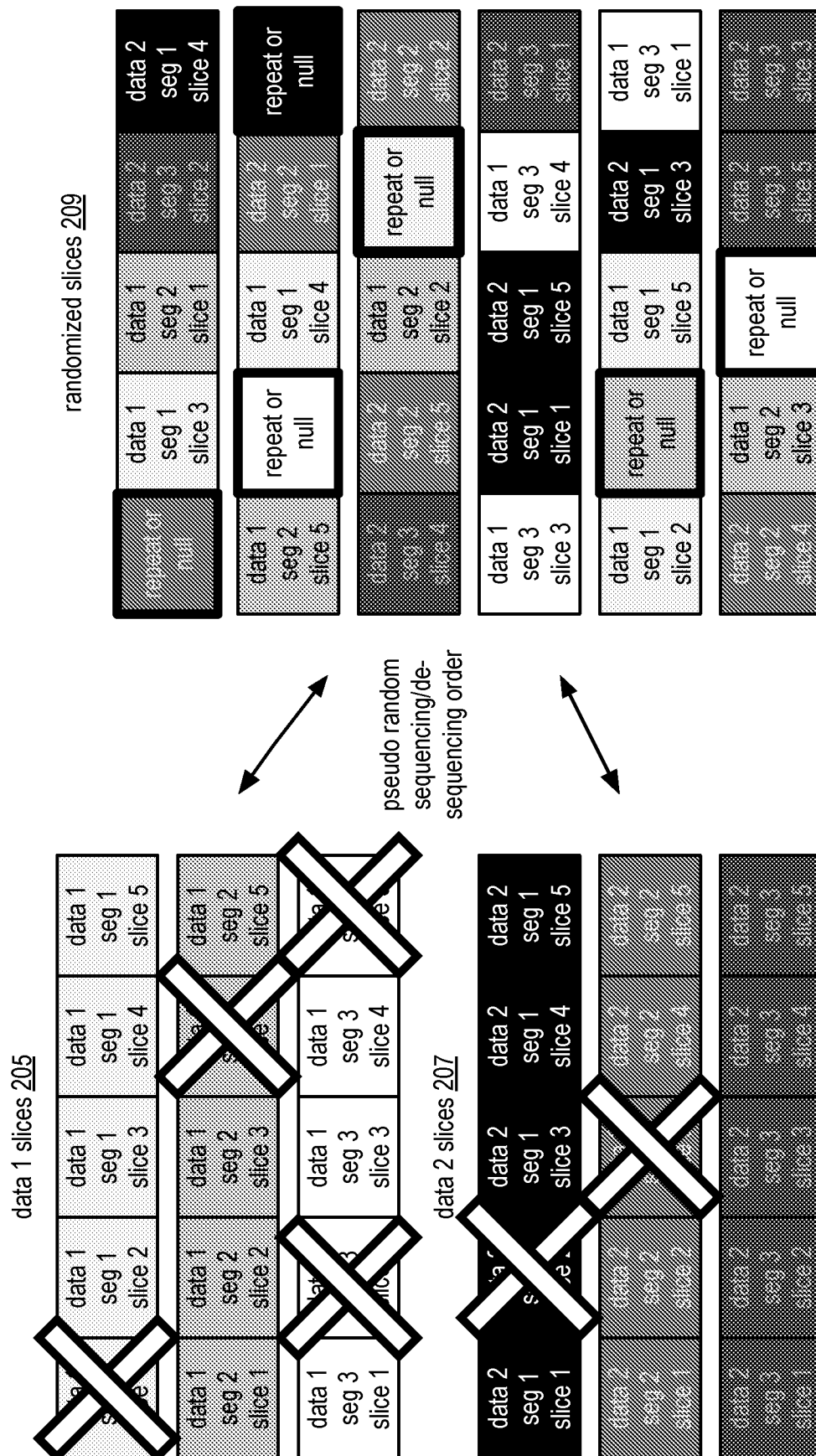


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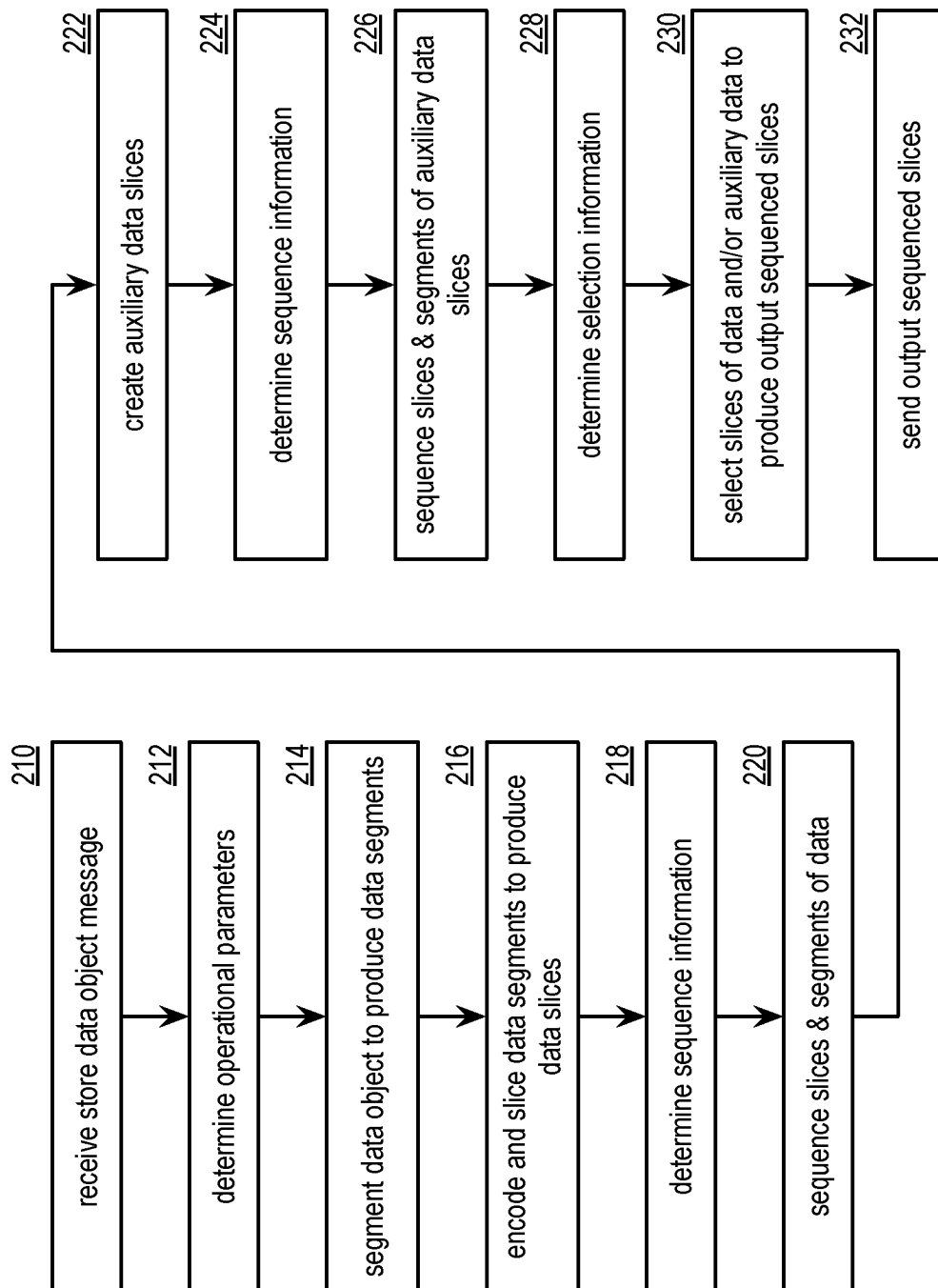


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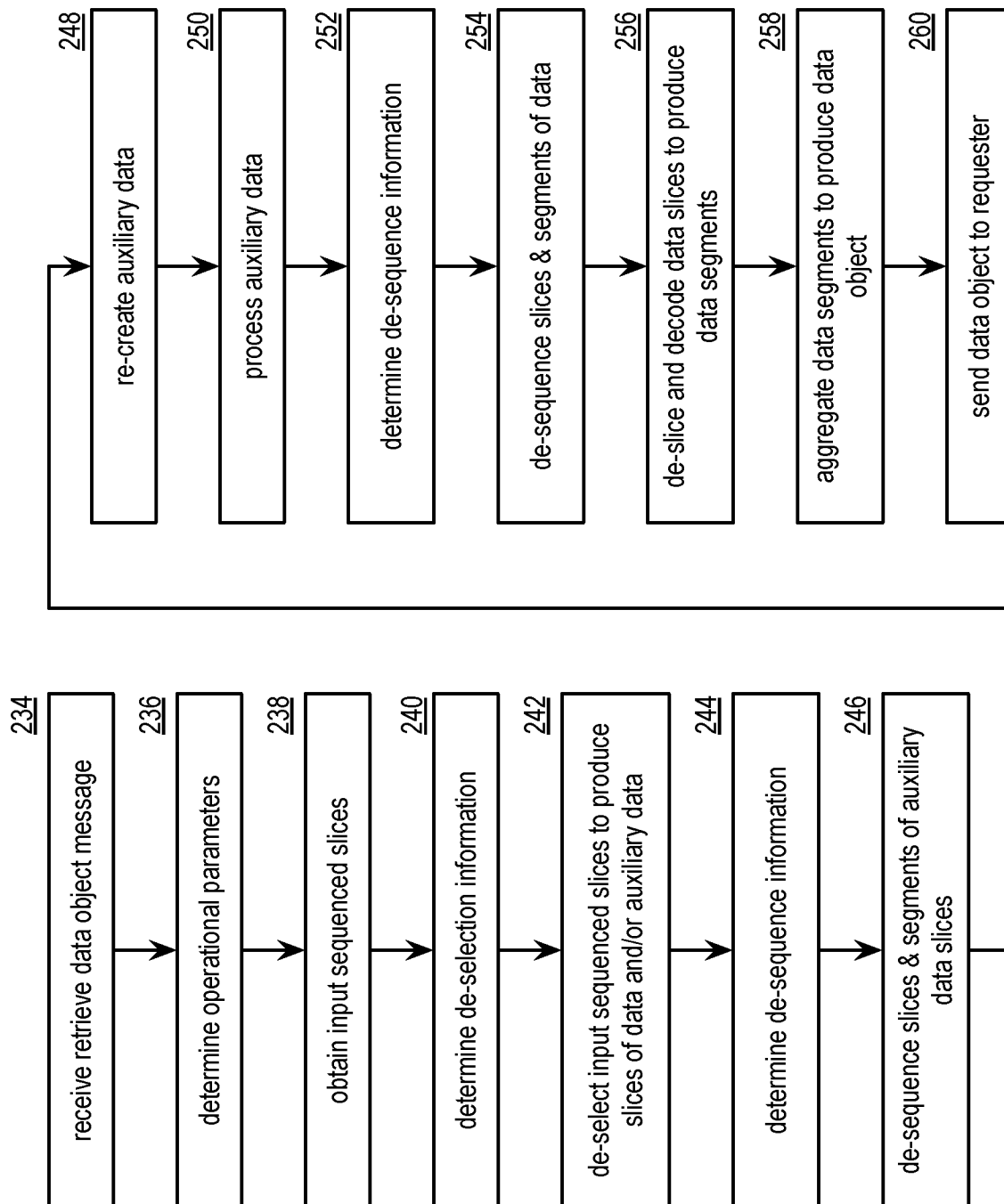


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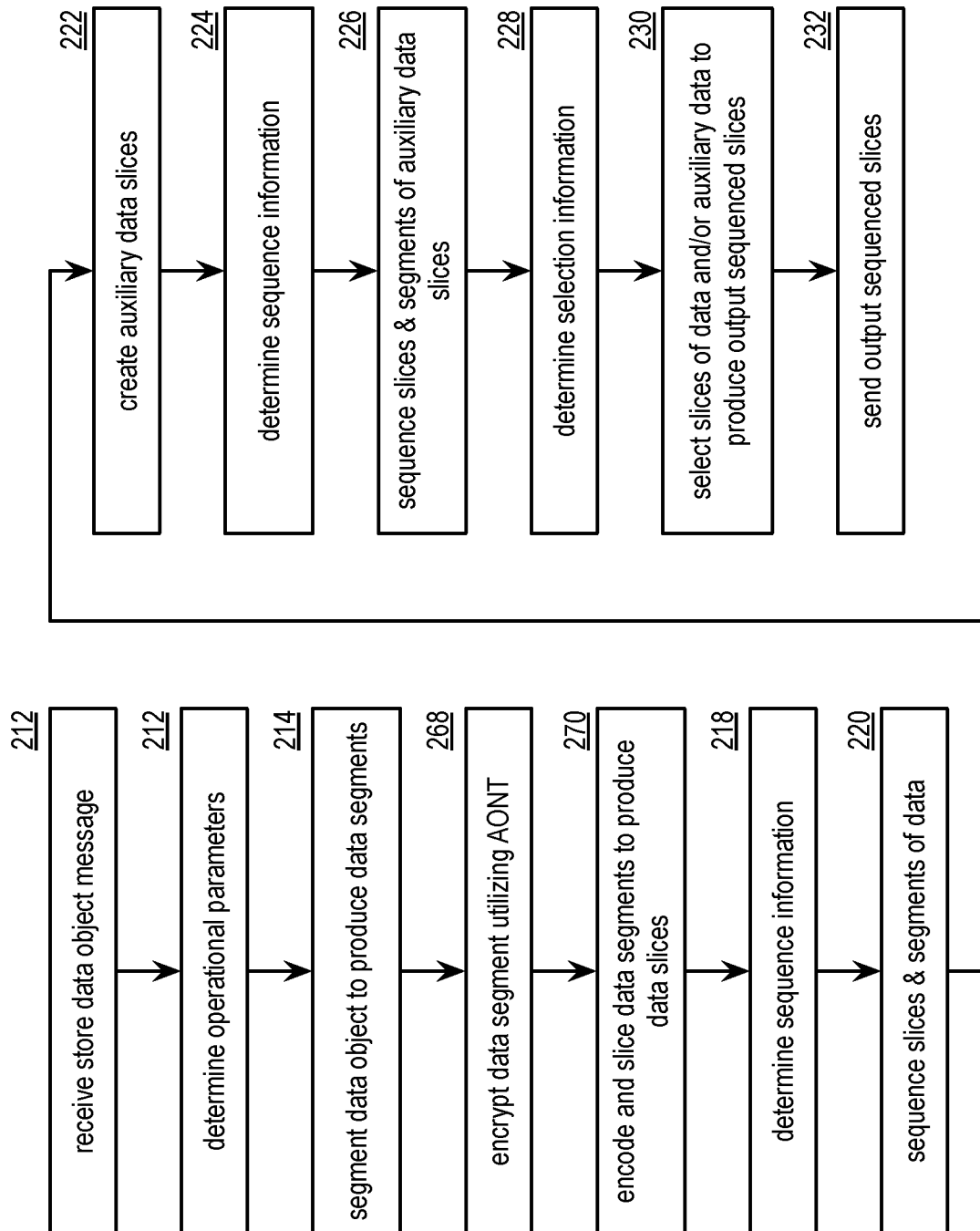


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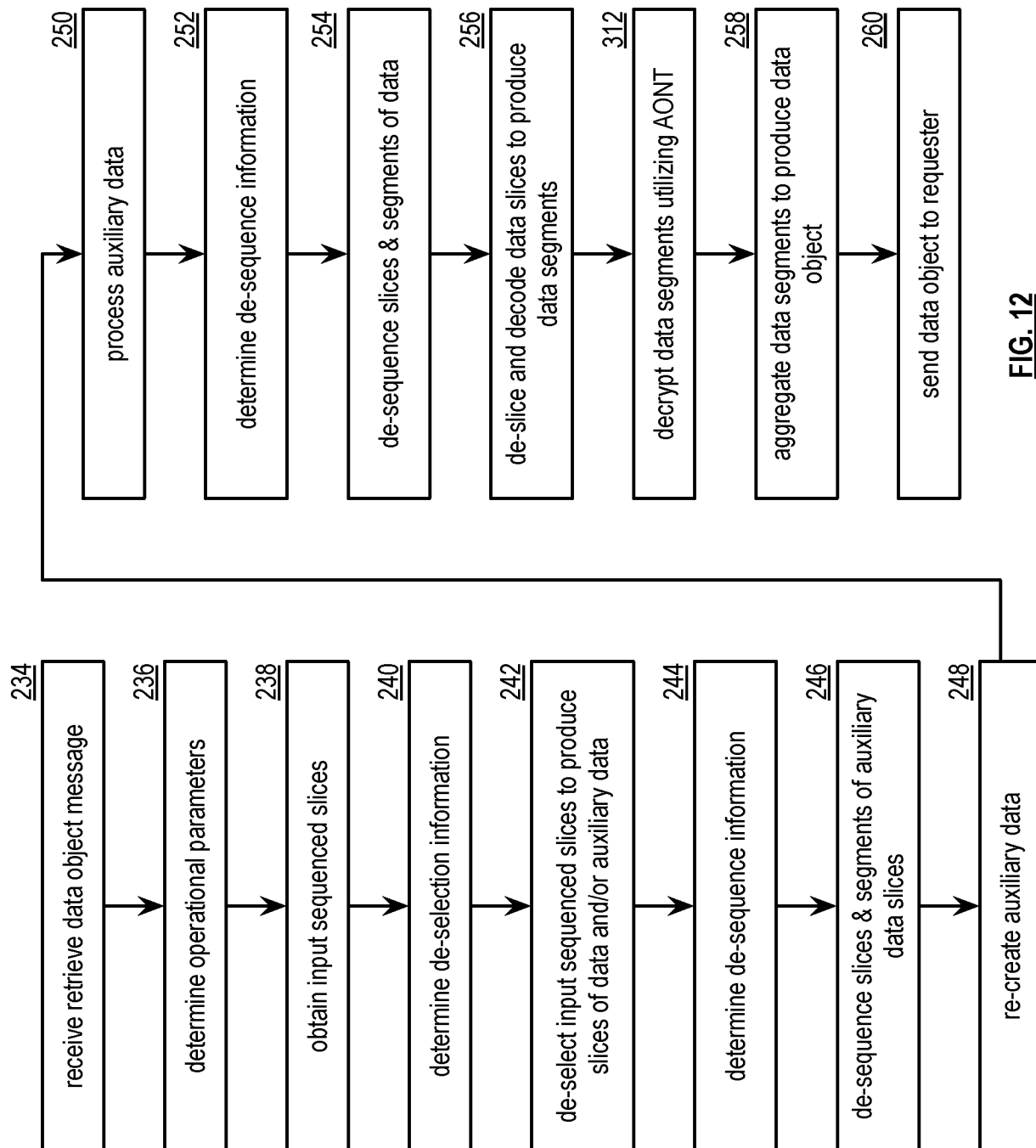


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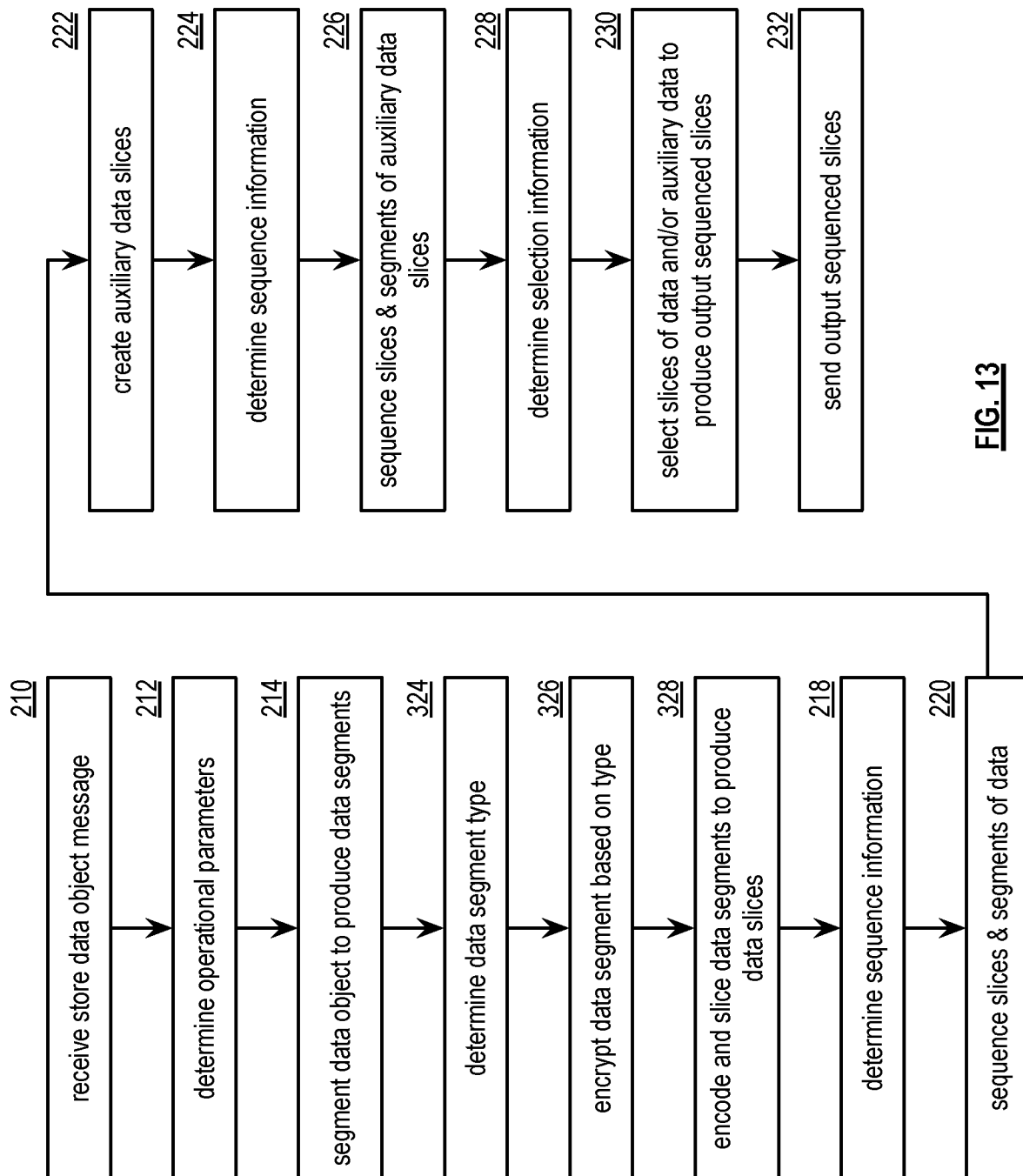


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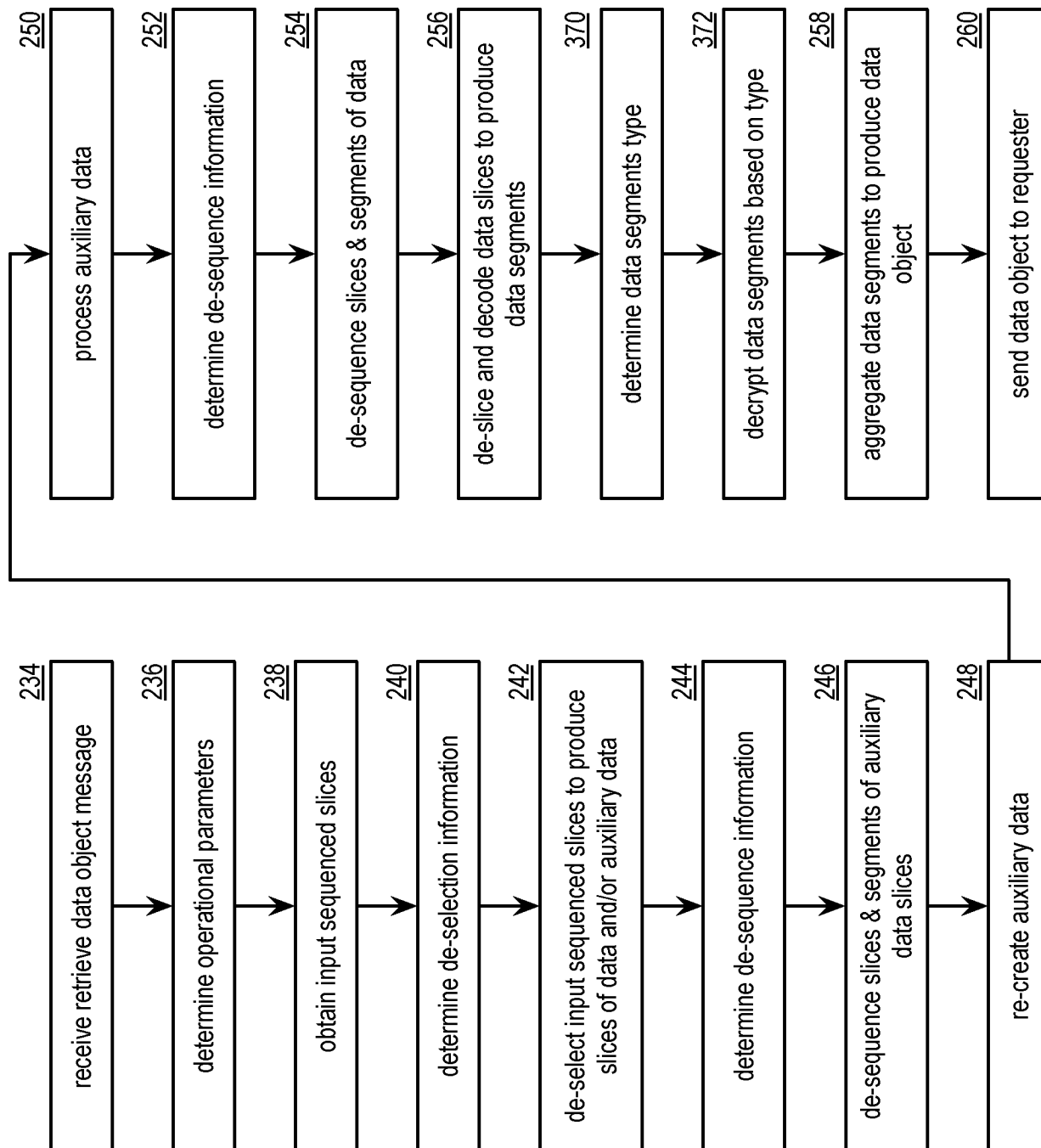


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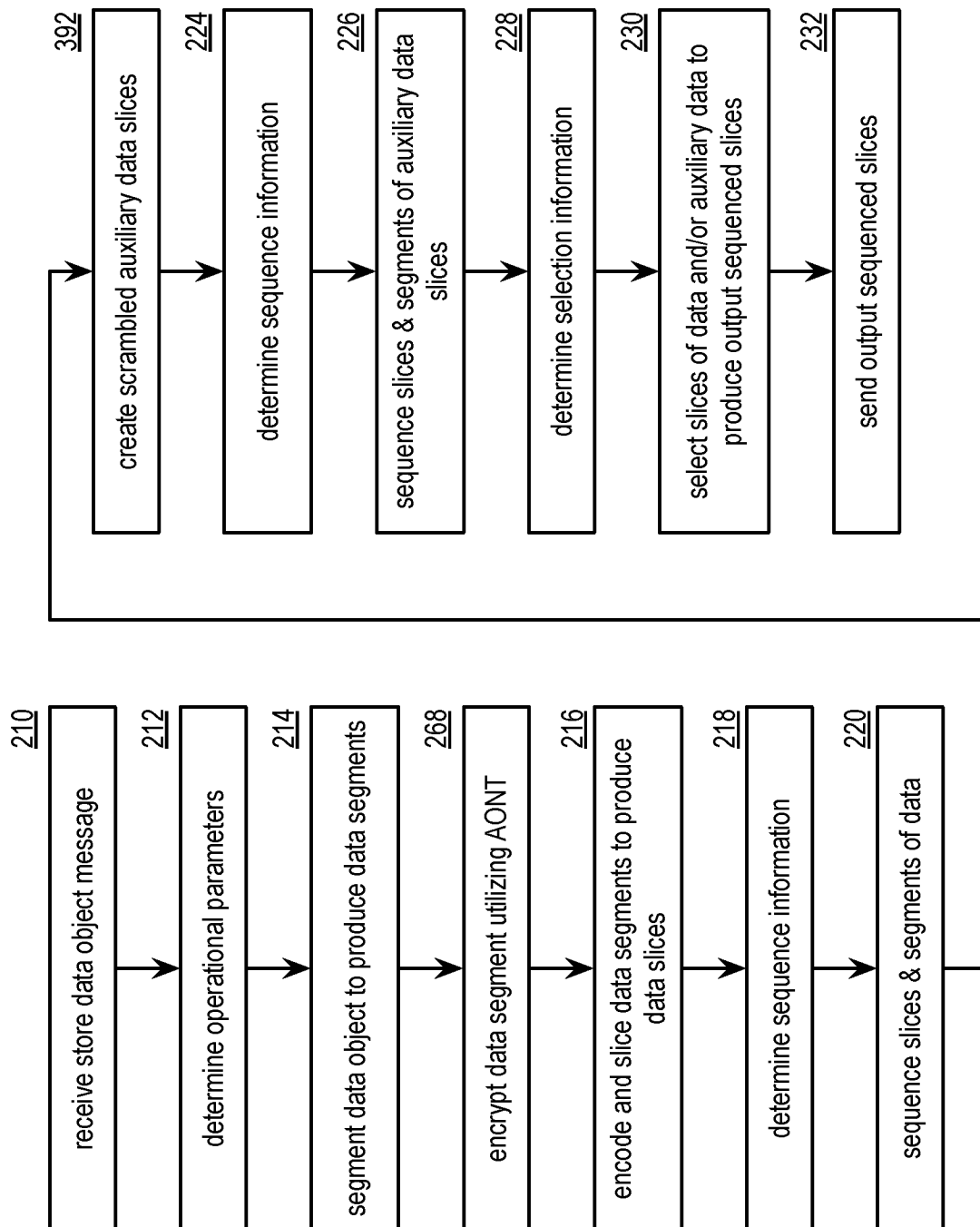


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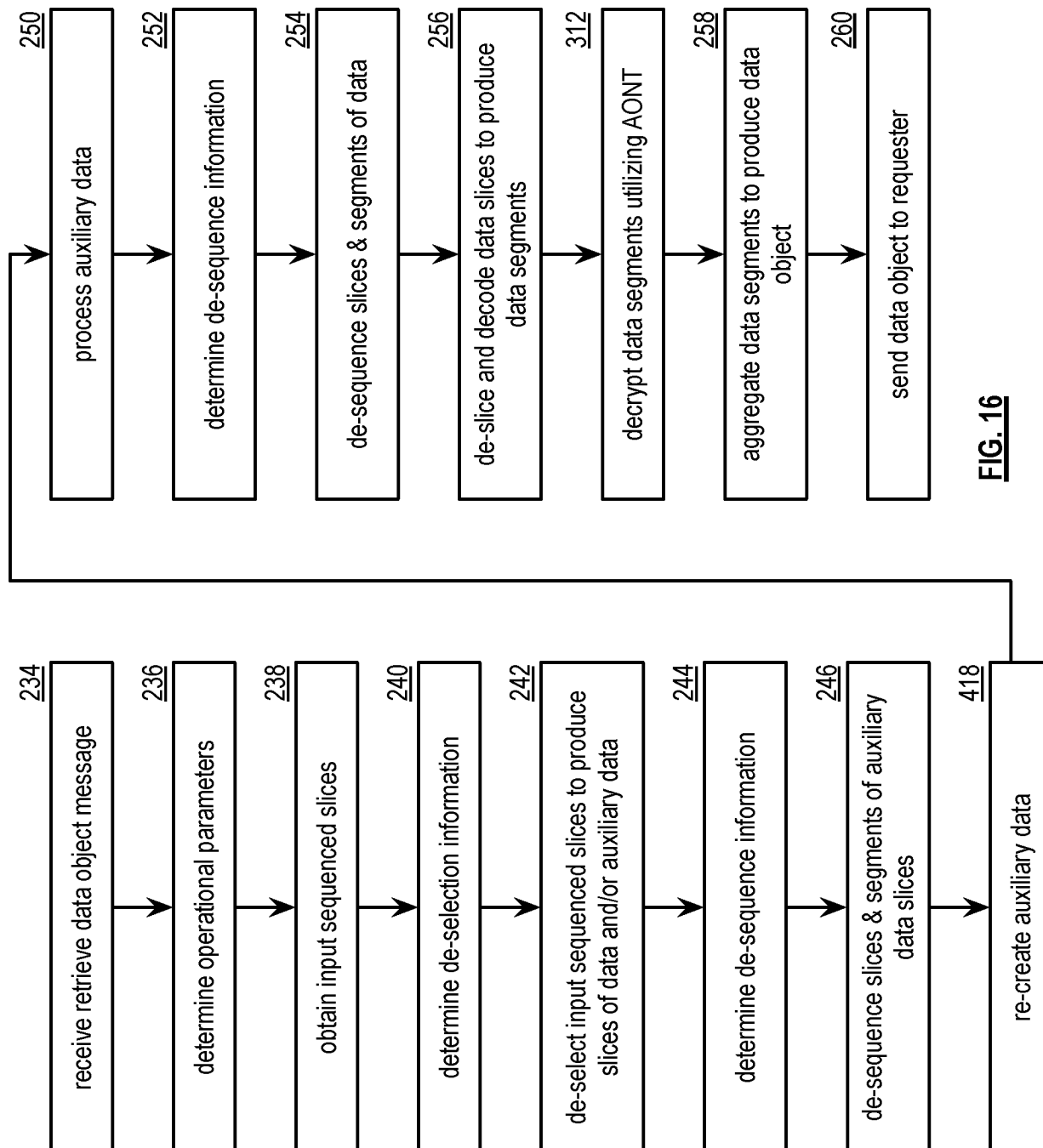


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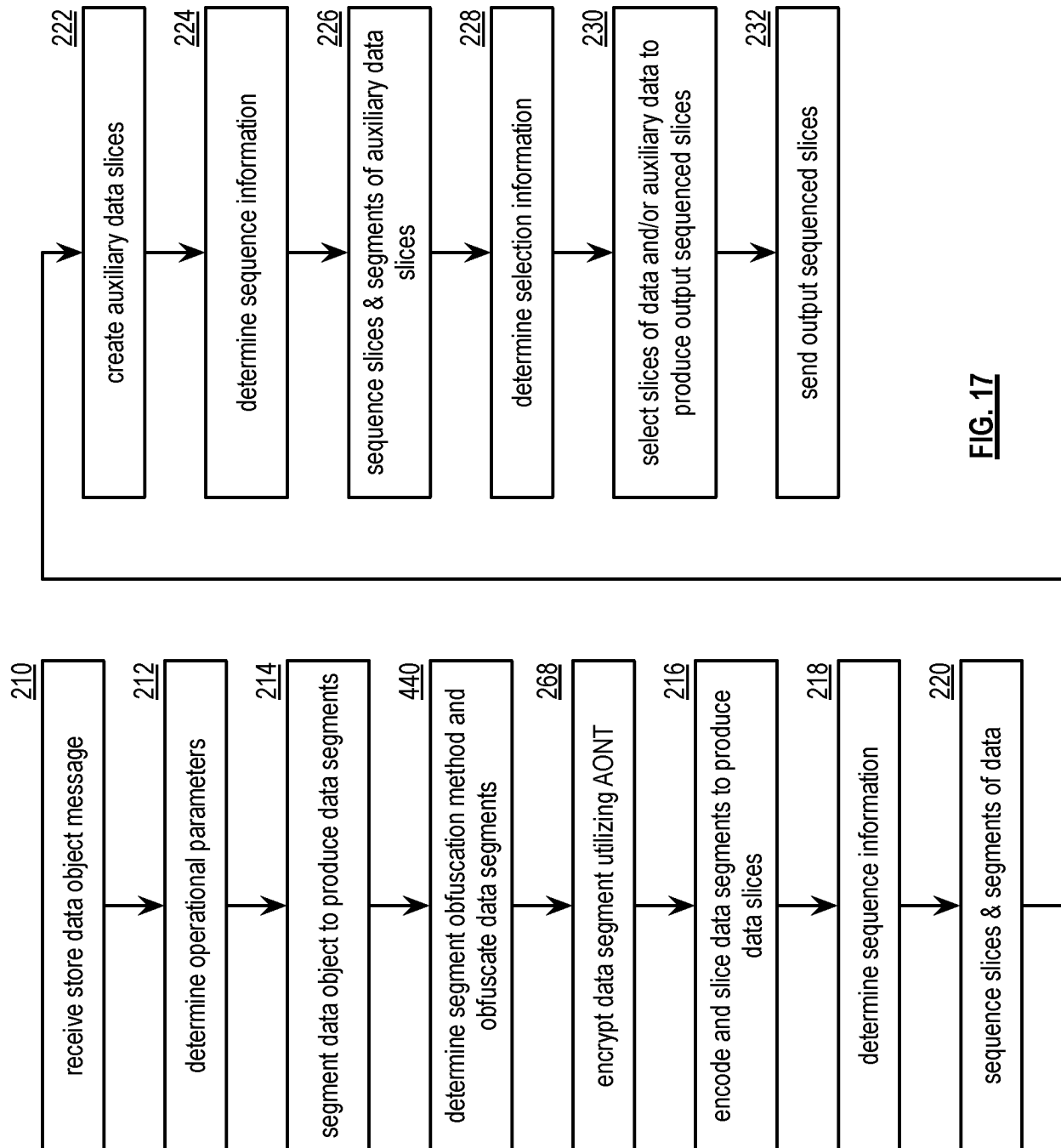


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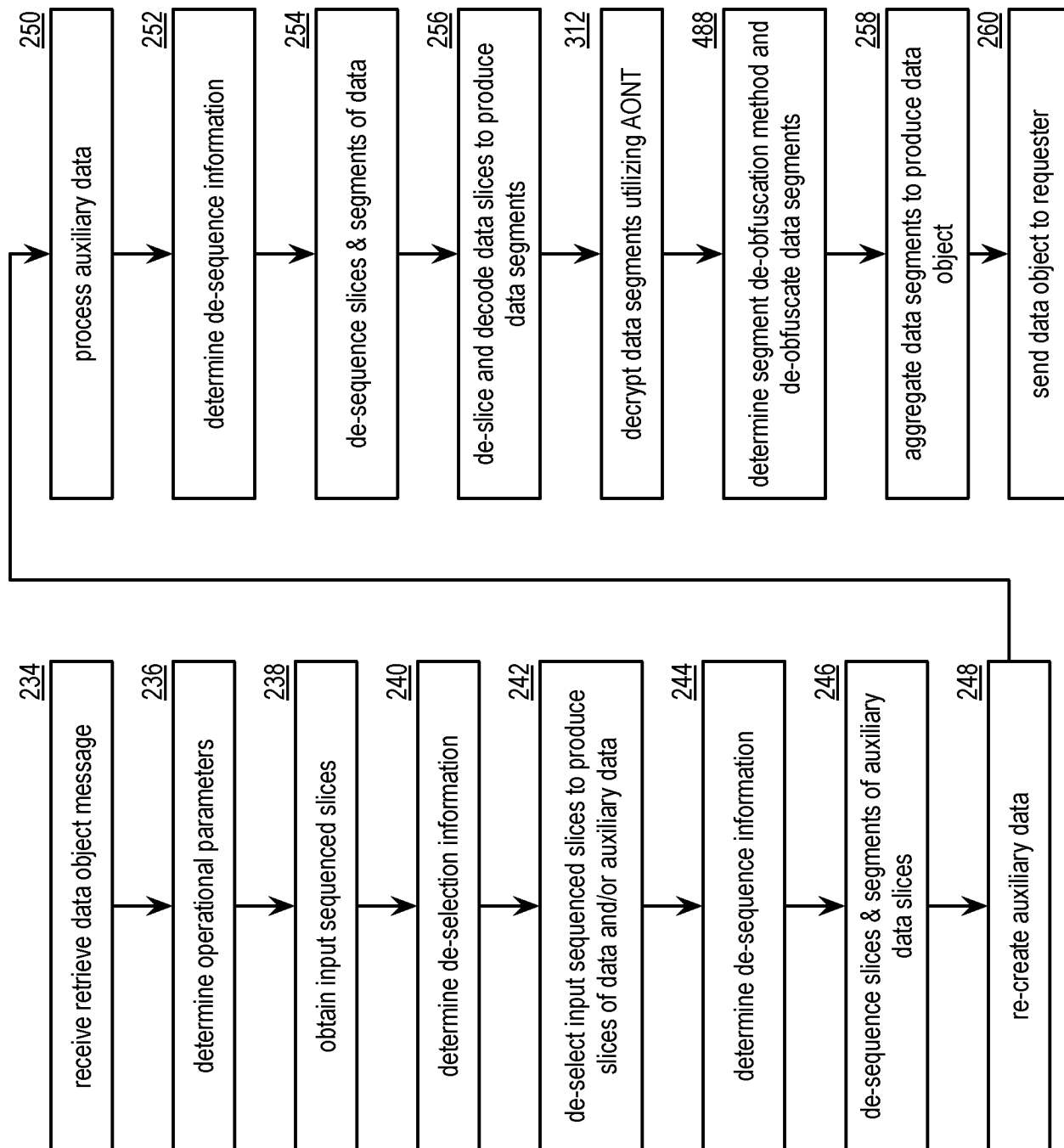


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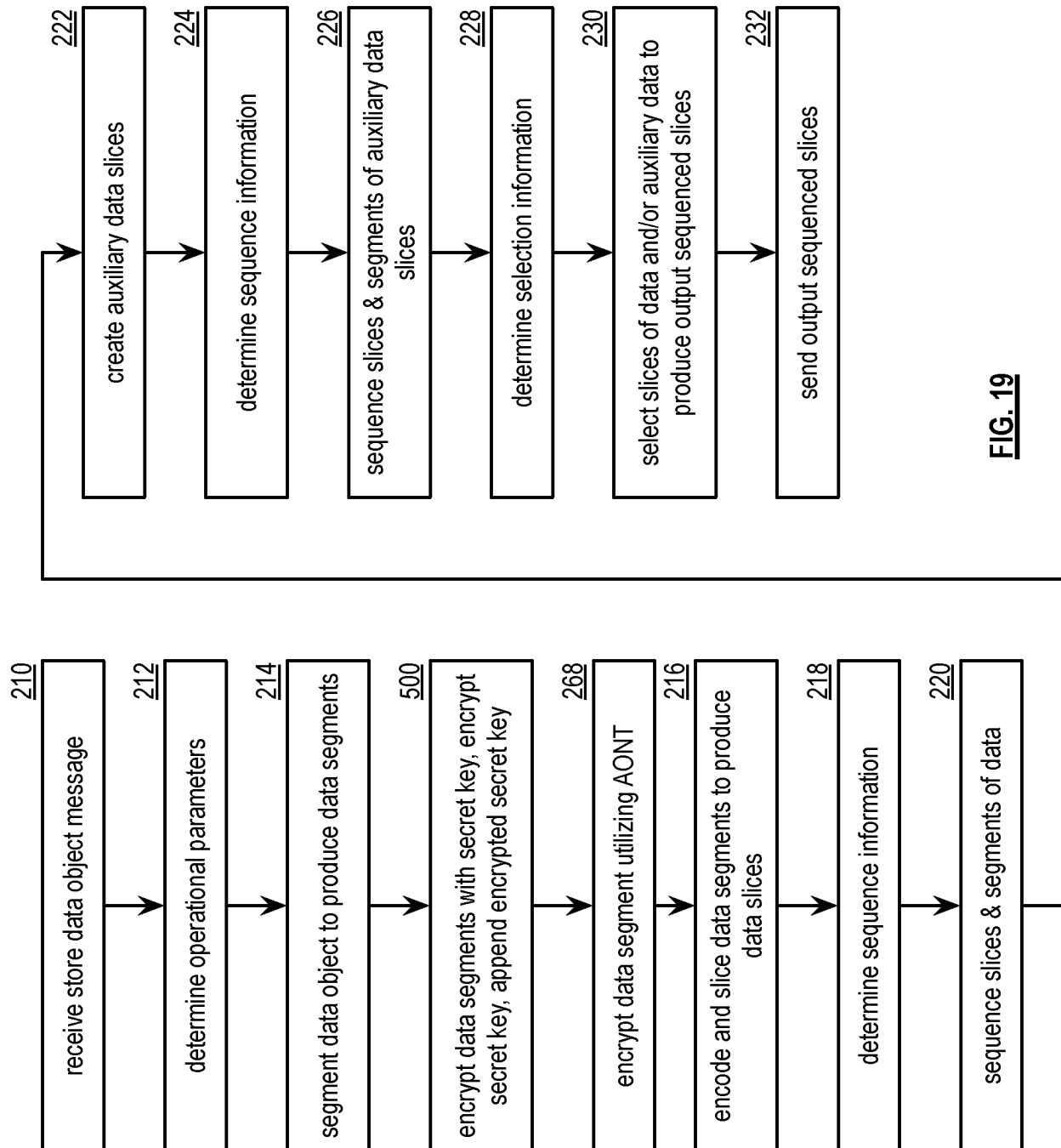


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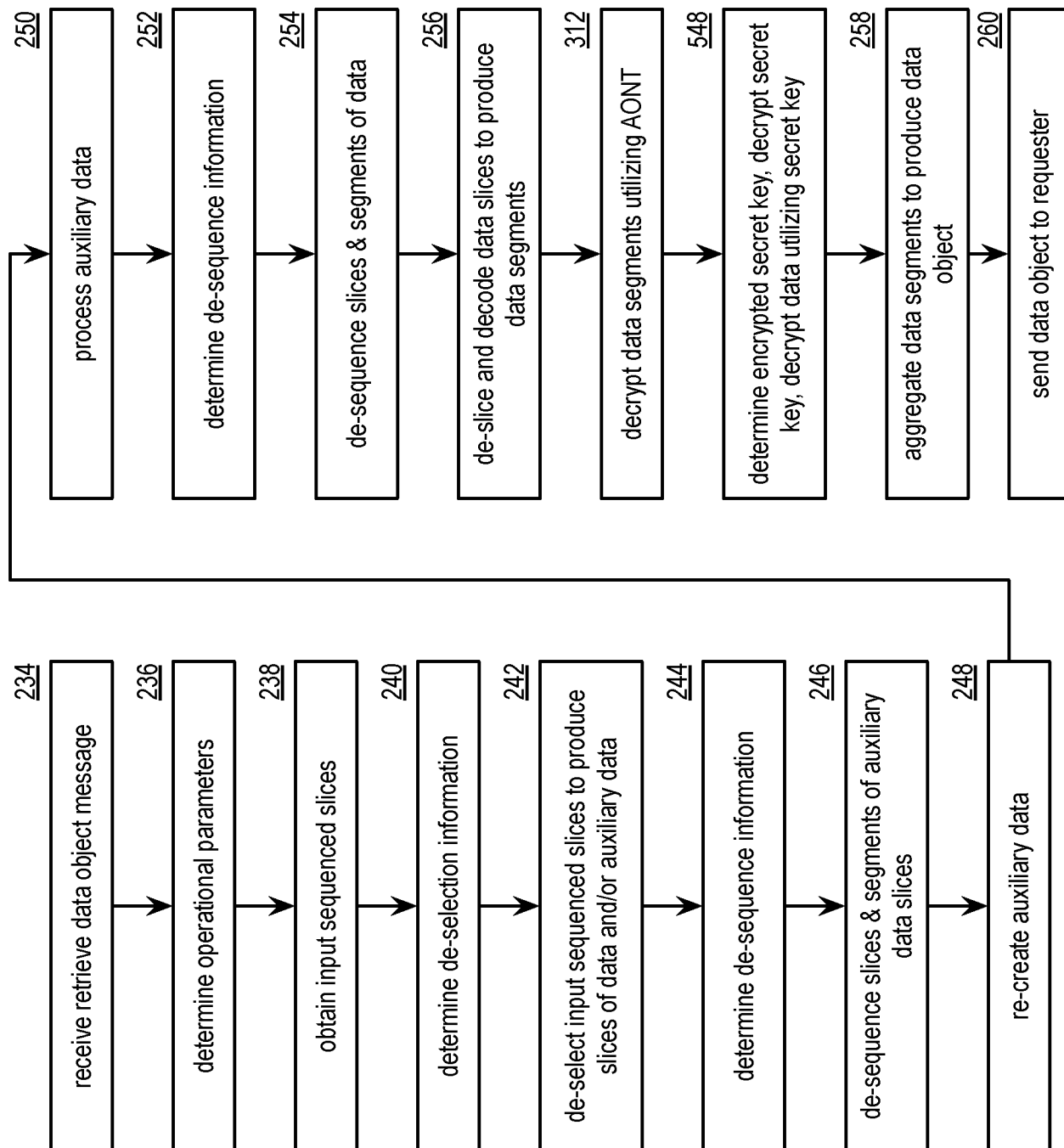


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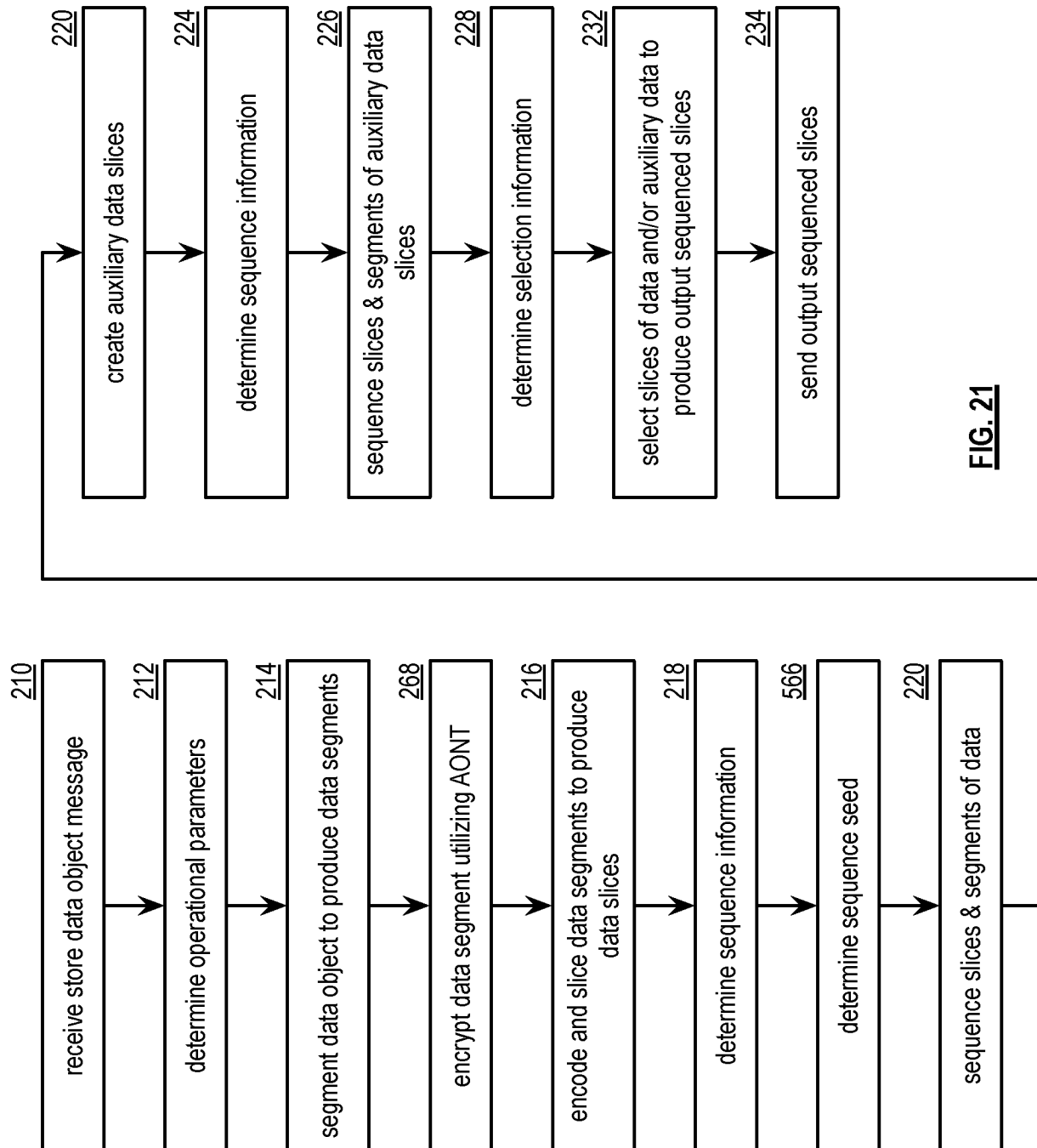


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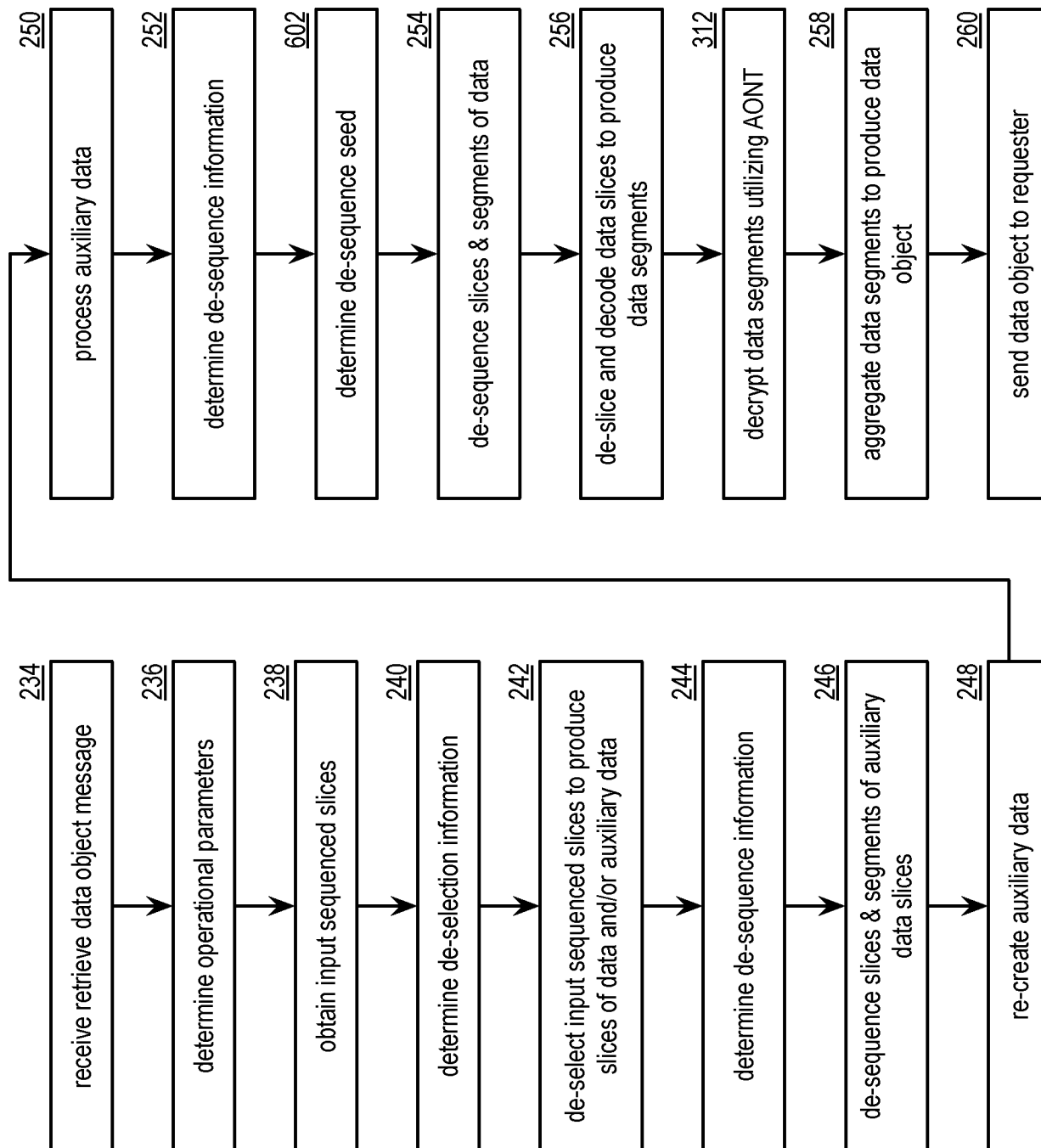


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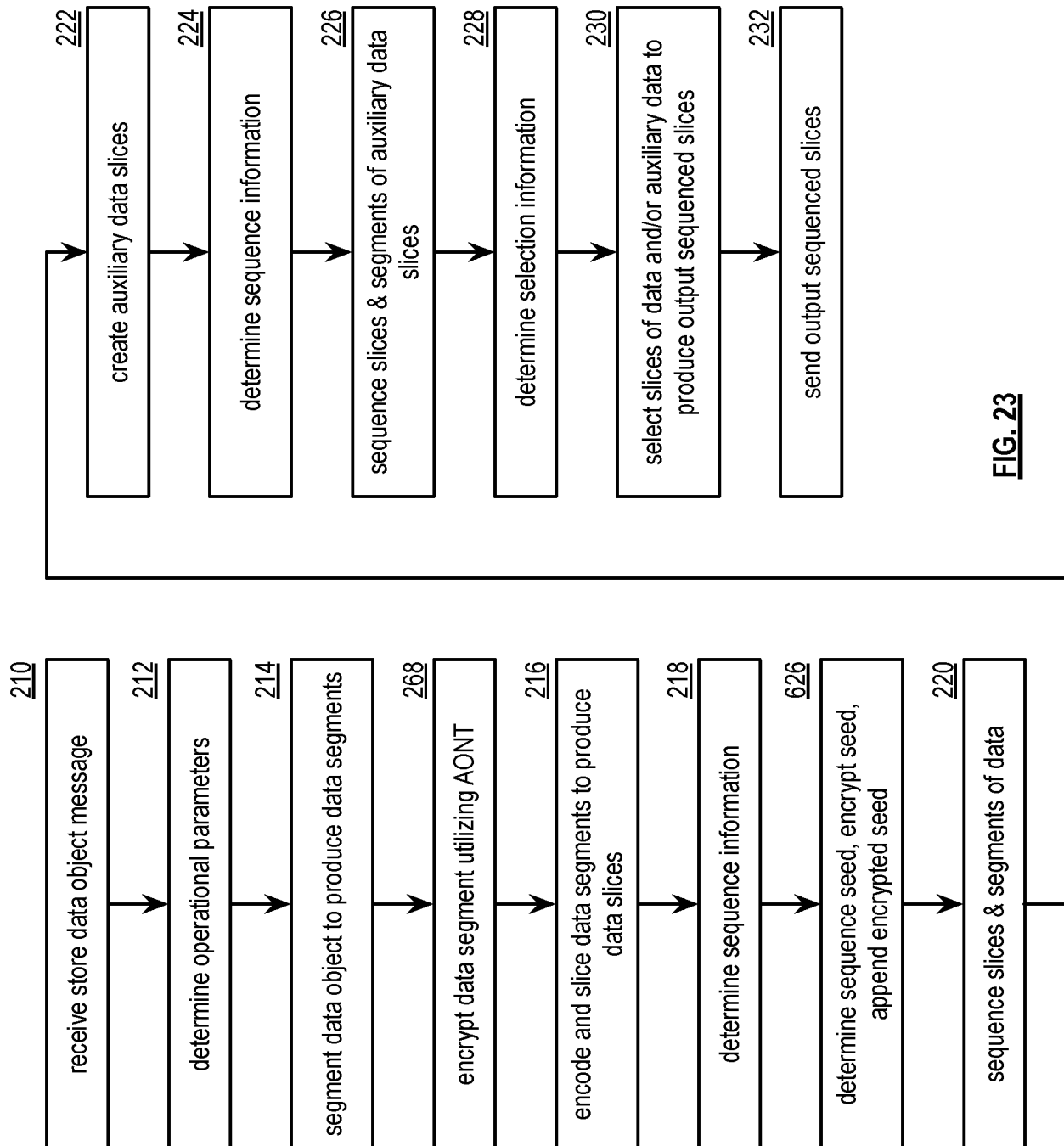


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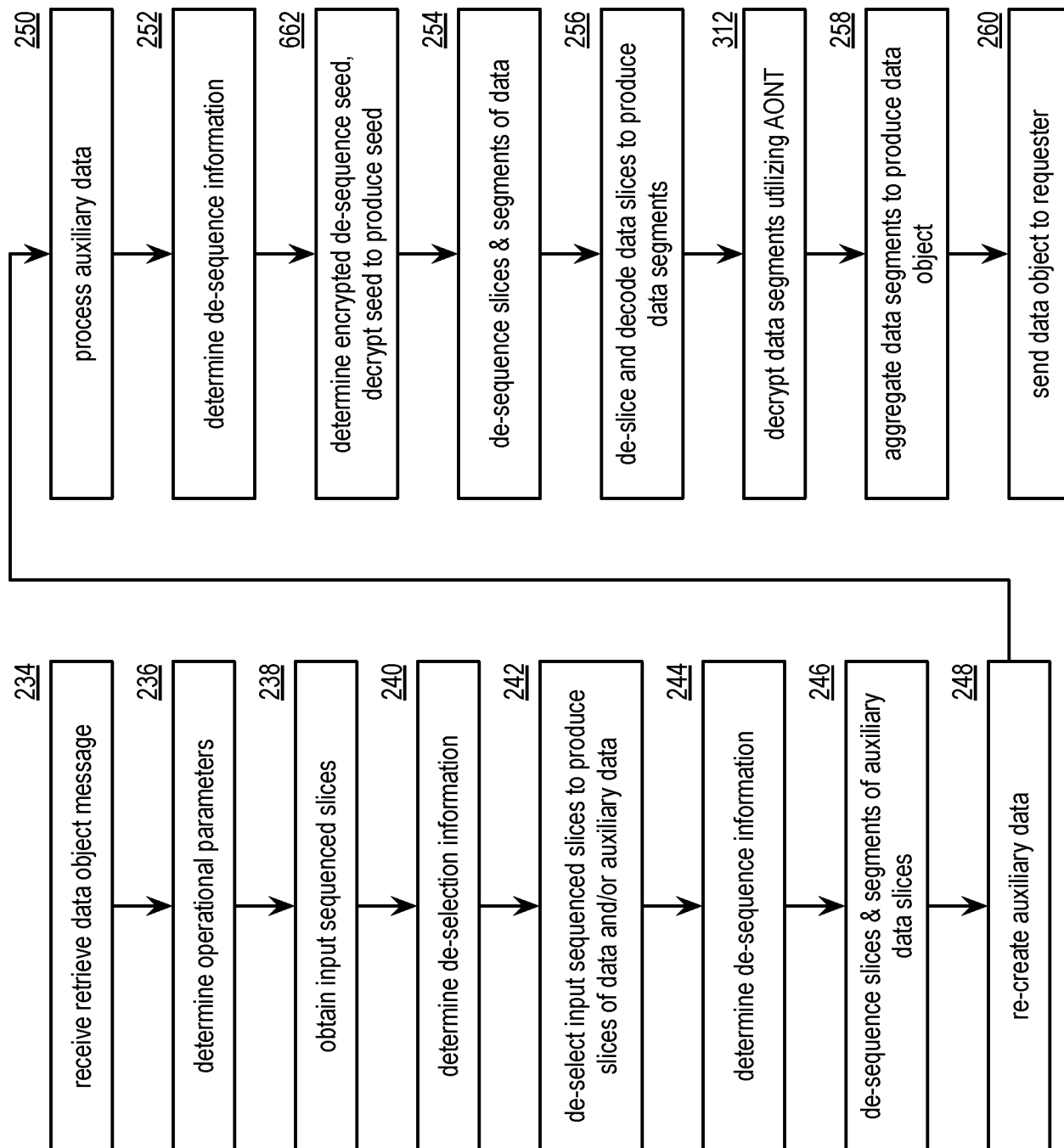


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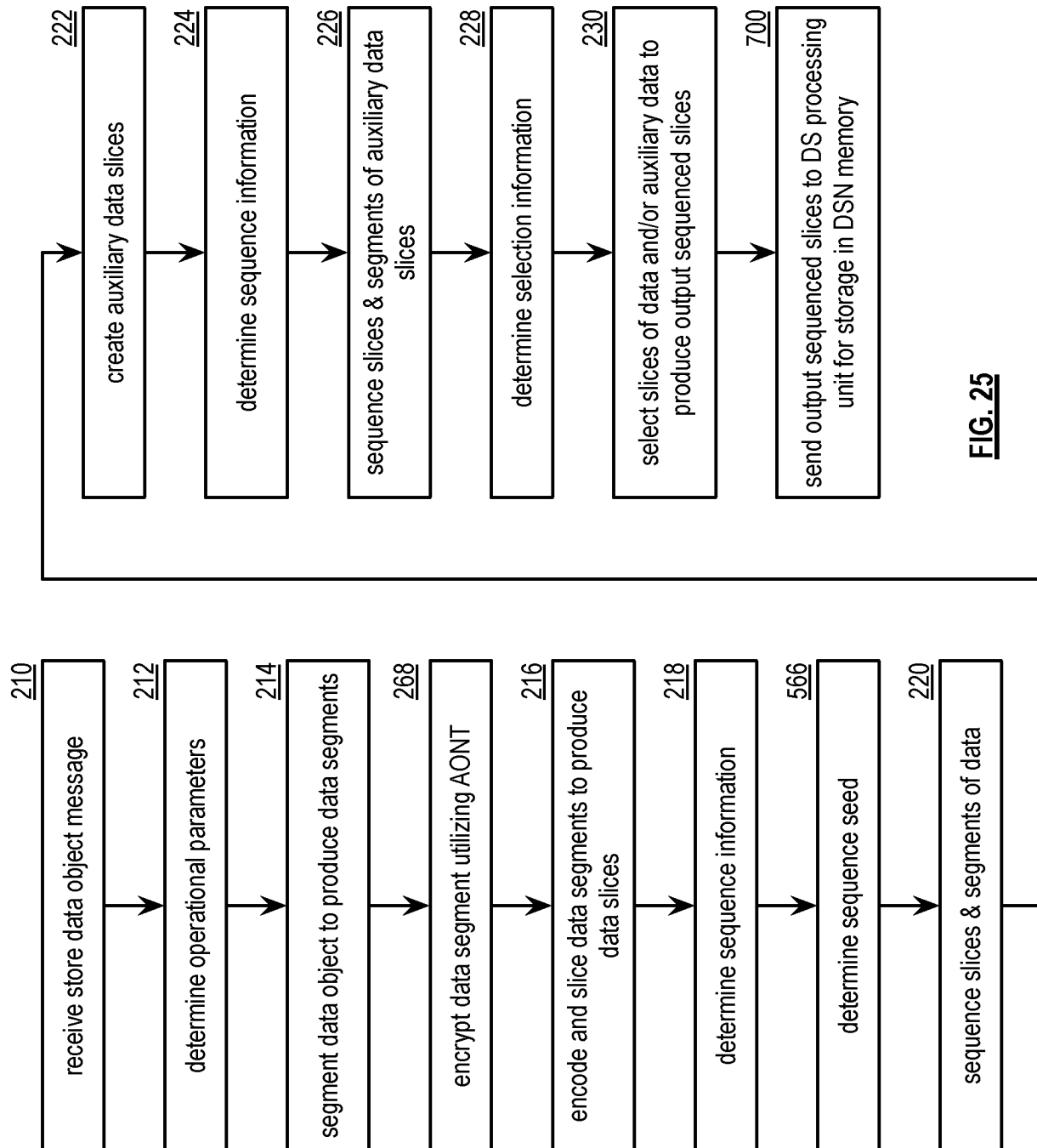


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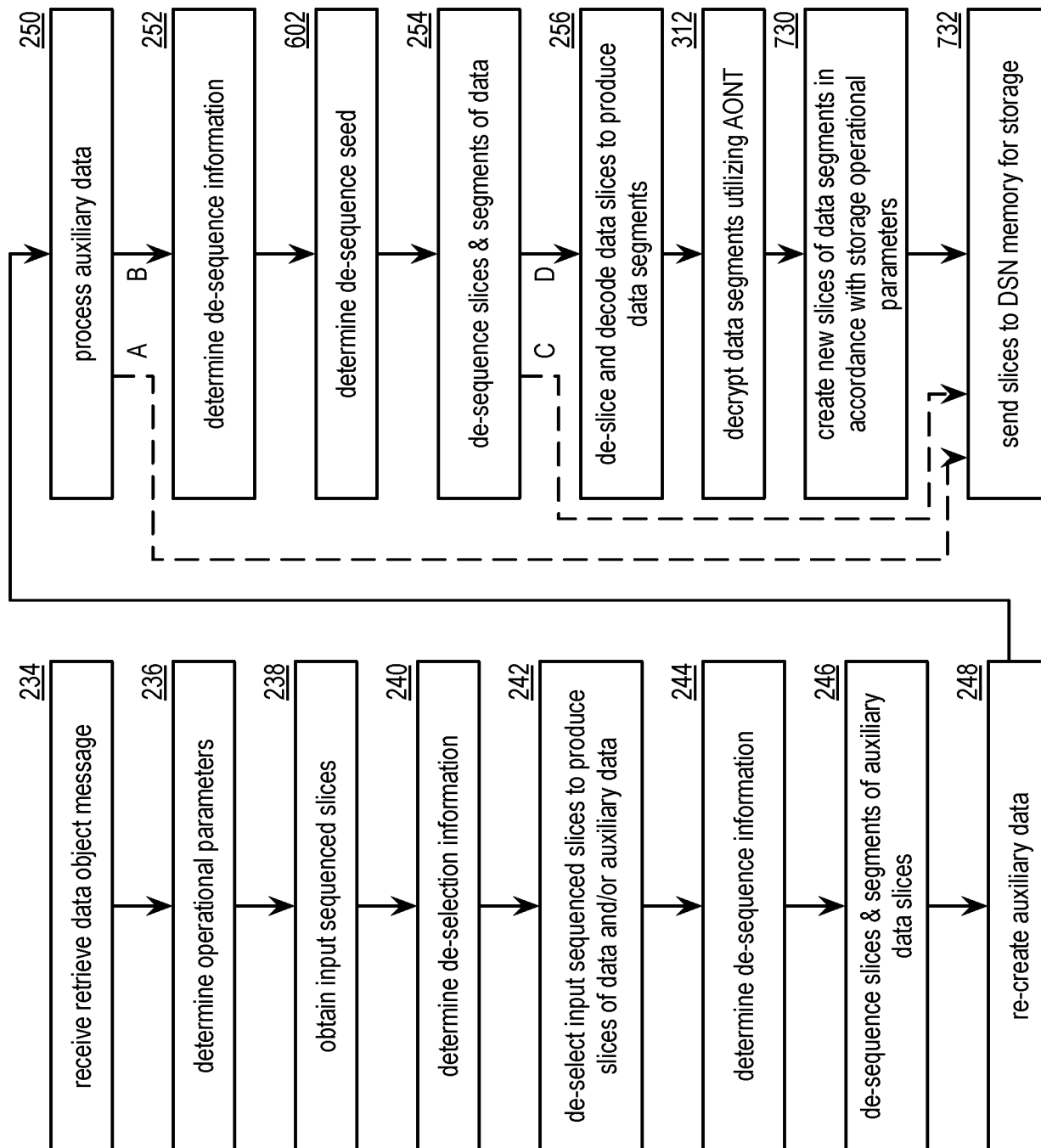


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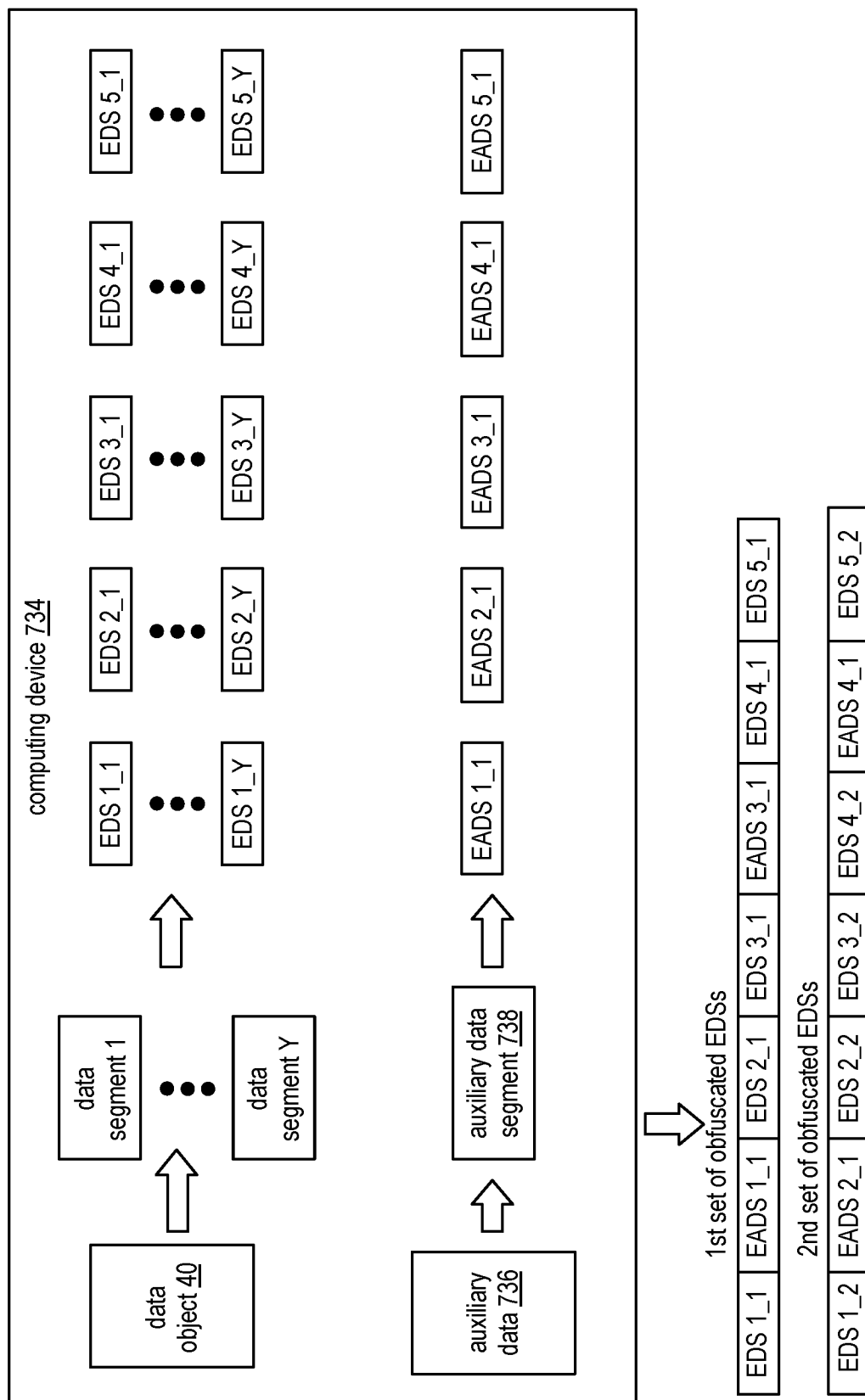


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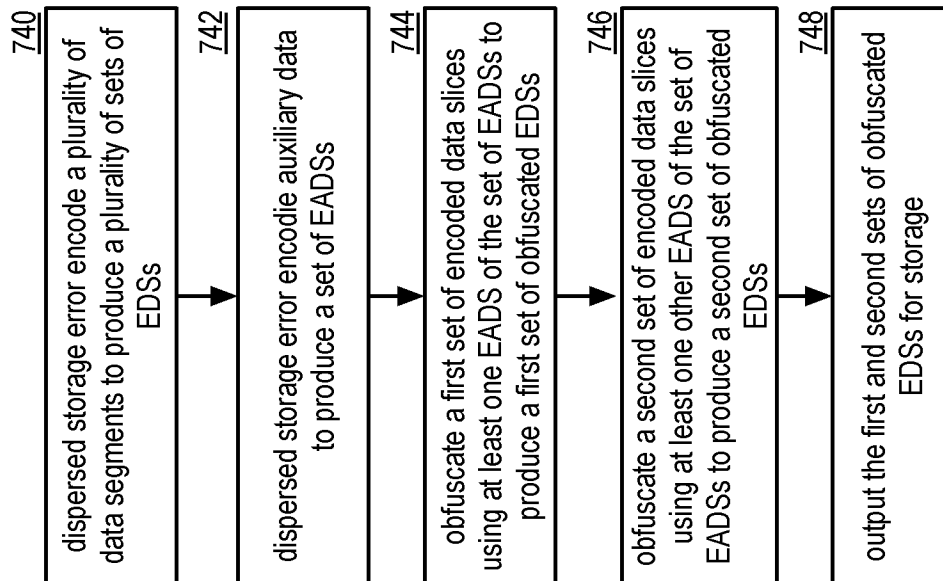


**FIG. 28**

**DECLARATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.63) FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 C.F.R. § 1.76) AND ASSIGNMENT**

Title of Invention: **SECURE DATA TRANSMISSION UTILIZING DISTRIBUTED STORAGE**

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I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the application, including the claims.

I am aware of the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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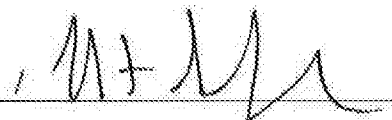
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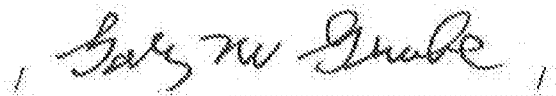
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