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(54) **CLICK BASED TRADING WITH INTUITIVE GRID DISPLAY OF MARKET DEPTH**

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A method and system for reducing the time it takes for a trader to place a trade when electronically trading on an exchange, thus increasing the likelihood that the trader will have orders filled at desirable prices and quantities. The "Mercury" display and trading method of the present invention ensure fast and accurate execution of trades by displaying market depth on a vertical or horizontal plane, which fluctuates logically up or down, left or right across the plane as the market prices fluctuates. This allows the trader to trade quickly and efficiently.

56 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets

SYCOM FGBL DEC99					
	E/W	104844	Bid	Ask	Pre LTQ
1009	L	3		104	99
1010	R	5		24	98
1011		750		35	97
1012	X	10		115	96
1013		0		32	95
1014		10 1H		27	94
		30 3H		63	93
1007	S, B	1K 9H		45	92
	W 24	CLR		28	91
1015	X	10		20	90 10
		17		16	89
1008	R, Q	CXL		37	88
	W 13	NET 0		30	87
1017				43	86
1018		NET REAL		110	85
1019				28	84
				31	83
1021				125	82
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FIG. 1

CONNECTION TO MULTIPLE EXCHANGES

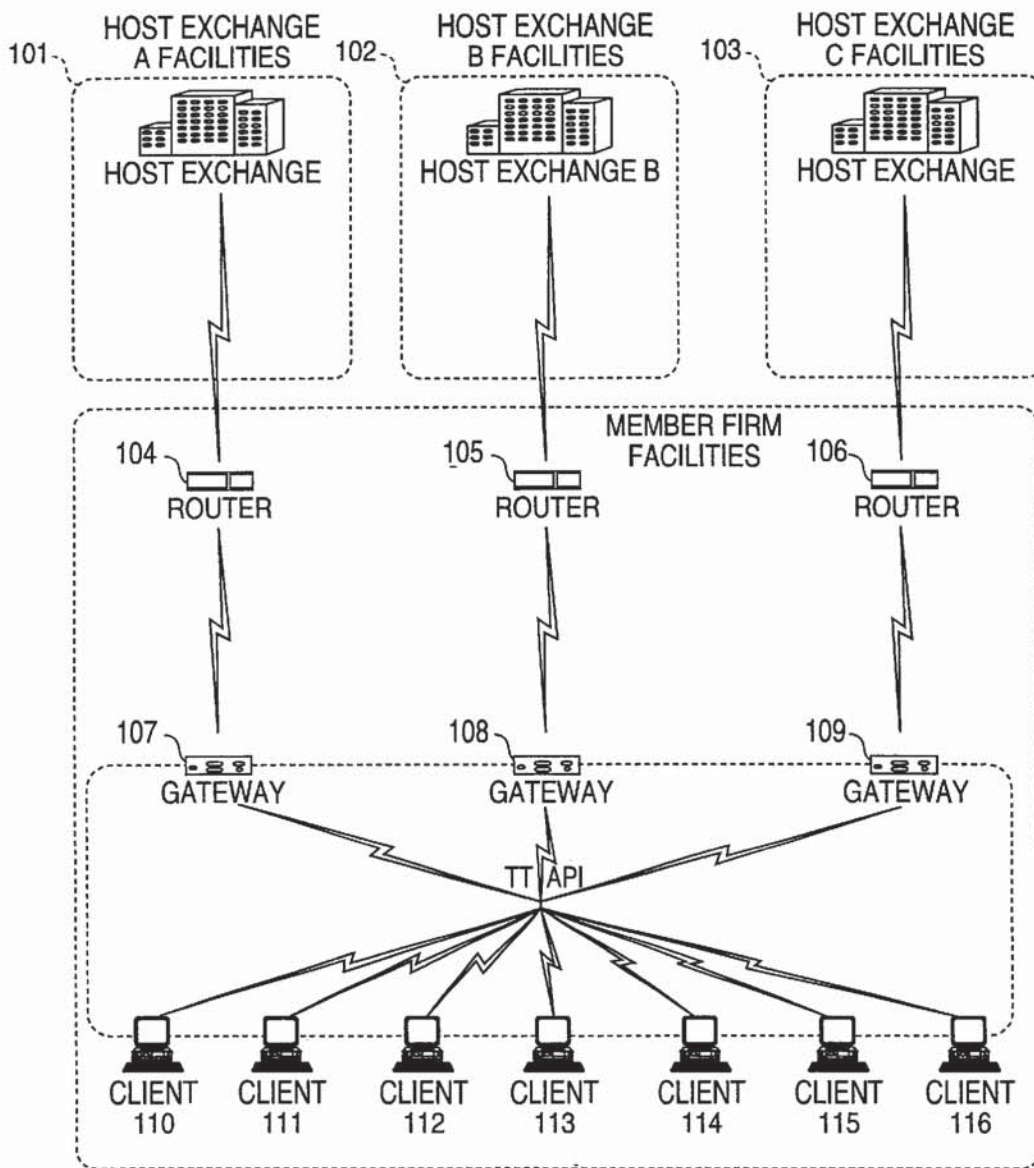


FIG. 2

	201	202	203	204	205				
	Contract	Depth	BidQty	BidPrc	AskPrc	AskQty	LastPrc	LastQty	Total
1	CDHO	•	785	7626	7627	21	7627	489	8230
2			626	7625	7629	815			
3			500	7624	7630	600			
4			500	7623	7631	2456			
5			200	7622	7632	800			

FIG. 3

SYCOM FGBL DEC99						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E/W	10:48:44		BidQ	AskQ	Prc	LTQ				
1009	L	3		104	99					
1010	R	5		24	98					
1011	720			33	97					
1012	×	10		115	96					
1013	0			32	95					
1014	10	1H		27	94					
	50	3H		63	93					
1007	S 0 W 24	1K 5H		45	92					
	S 0 W 7	CLR		28	91					
1015	×	10		20	90	10				
1016	17	▼		18	89		1020			
1008	B 0 W 15	CXL	18		89					
	B 0 W 13	+ -	97		88					
1017	NET 0		30		87					
1018	B 0 W 17	NET REAL	43		86					
1019			110		85					
			23		84					
			31		83					
1021			125		82					
			21		81					

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