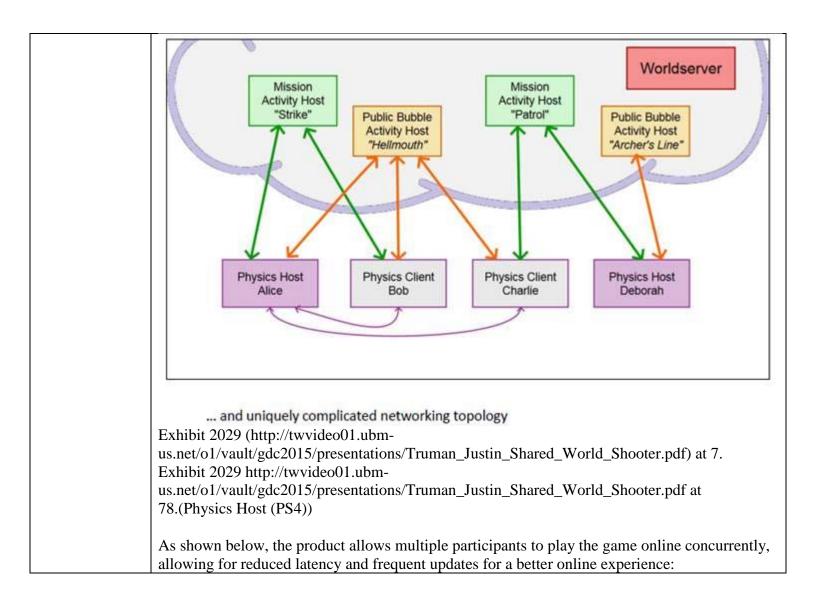
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Sony PlayStation Product

" Sony PlayStation Product " refers to the PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4 running, for example, the PlayStation game Destiny.		
Claim 6		
claim 6(a): A method for healing a disconnection of a first computer from a second computer, the computers being connected to a broadcast channel, said broadcast channel being an m-regular graph where m is at least 3, the method comprising:	The Sony PlayStation Product meets the recited claim language because it includes functionality to for healing a disconnection of a first computer from a second computer, the computers being connected to a broadcast channel, said broadcast channel being an m-regular graph where m is at least 3. The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality for healing a disconnection of a first	
	 computer from a second computer, the computers being connected to a broadcast channel, said broadcast channel being an m-regular graph where m is at least 3. This functionality controls players disconnecting from a game session, and attempts to heal a game session by making new connections. The match server, host server or peer will communicate with another player that had an established communication channel with the disconnecting play and that can be connected to the game session to maintain an optimized game session or match and to create an optimized connectivity mesh of players. The functionality will initiate an attempt by the match server, host server, or peer to find a connection port to another player that can be used to maintain an m-regular graph in the game session or match and to create an optimized connectivity mesh of players. The functionality creates m-regular topologies of players when setting up logical and physical network topologies in order to do the following: manage states when different players leave, are kicked, or are disconnected. 	
	• manage the game during gameplay and to relay content through different NAT configurations;	
	• route game data using optimal paths and relays;	
	• distribute VoIP chat data among the players; and	
	• determine which game a player should be matched to;	
	• ensure no players are overloaded for optimal gameplay in a connectivity mesh;	
	• create a game session with logical and physical network topologies	
	• connect players to other players for matchmaking;	
	As shown below, utilizes a "hybrid" peer-to-peer network topology, where additional game player's consoles as participants can forward data from one neighbor participant to another neighbor participant and non-client servers called "activity hosts" and can also communicate with each other as additional participants in the network, including PlayStation 3 (PS3) and PlayStation 4 (PS4) consoles (e.g. Physics Hosts and Physics Clients) and Activity Hosts (e.g. Mission Activity Hosts and Public Bubble Activity Hosts)	



Host Migration!

- Dedicated Servers!
- Need to be cost-feasible
- Need to perserve peer-to-peer responsiveness
- Can we instead "fix" our Host Migration problems?

At this point, I'm sure some of you are thinking – just use dedicated servers! If we just never Host Migrate, because we put all our Physics Hosts in the cloud, we never have to solve all these pesky problems.

There's a couple strong reasons we didn't simply run dedicate servers that were traditional Physics Hosts.

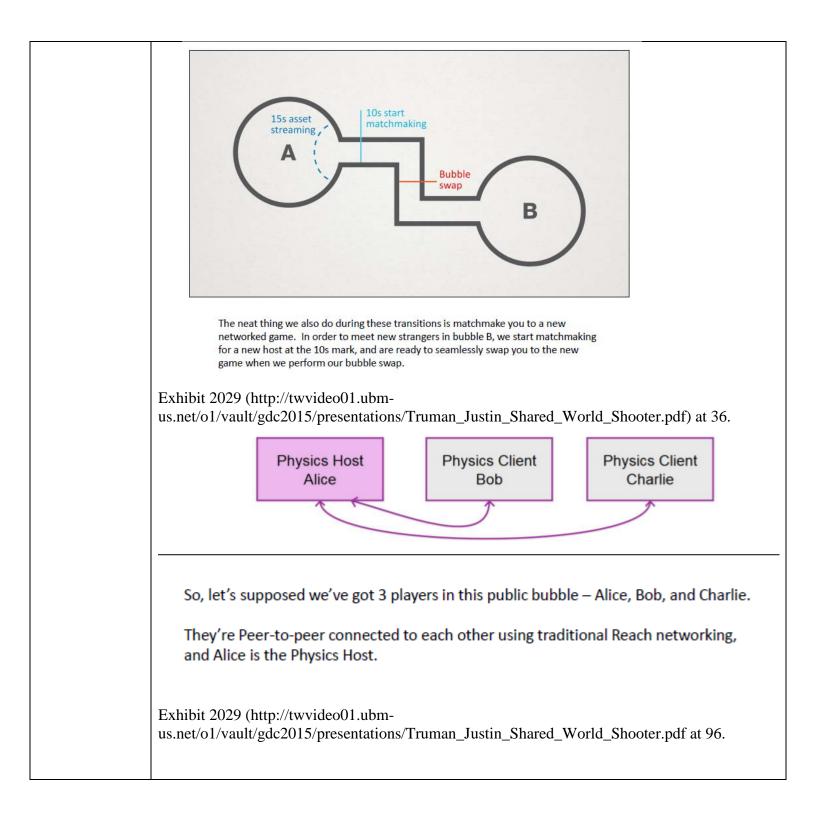
For one thing, they need to be cost-feasible. To support our launch, we'd have needed hundreds of thousands of headless PS3-Parity executables in the cloud, and that becomes a significant continuous cost to maintain, especially if our player-retention continues to stay as strong as it has.

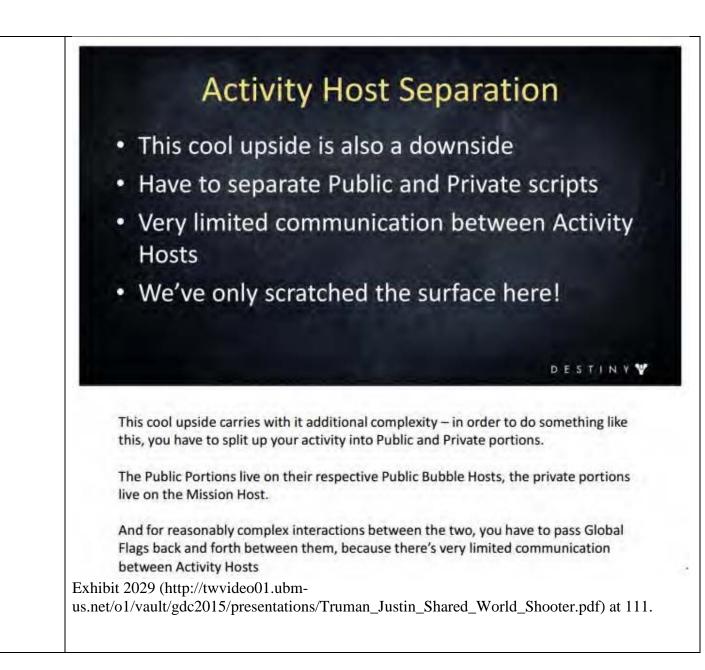
Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubmus.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 53.

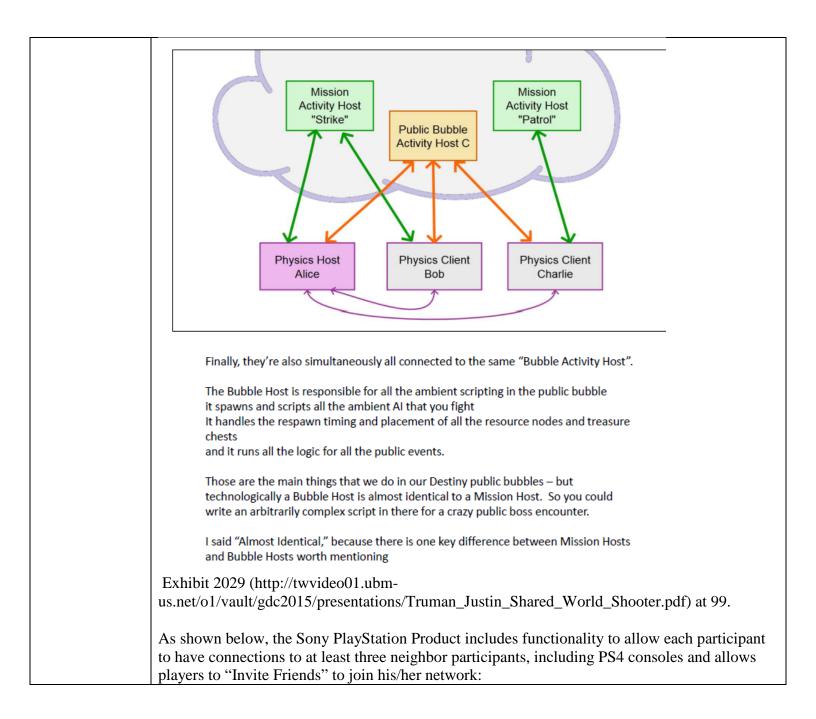
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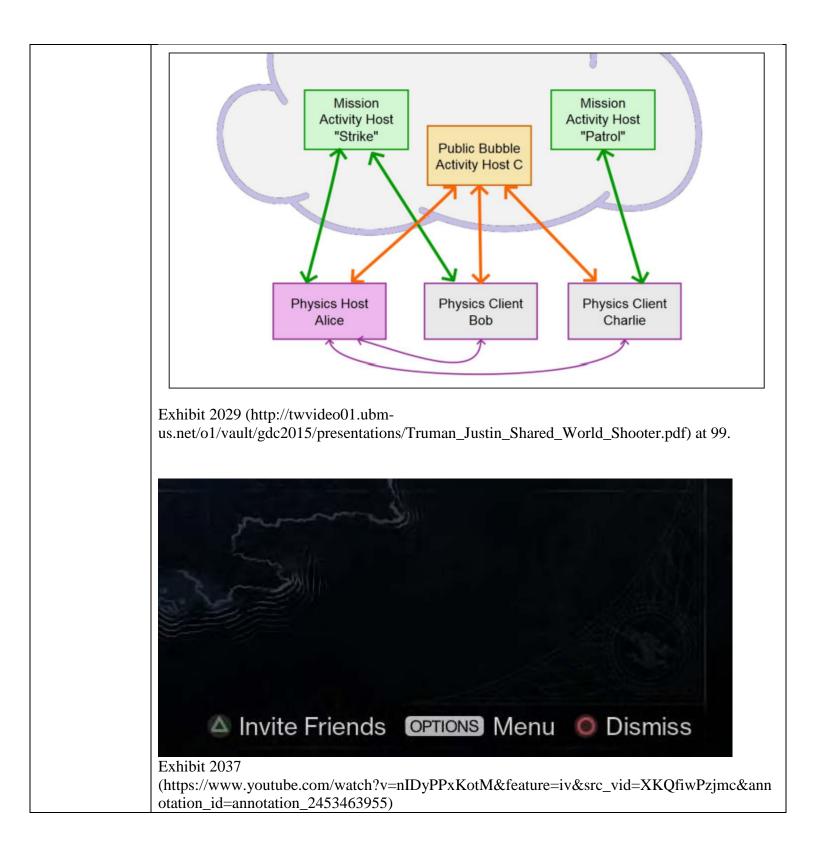
The product will retry to connect until a connection is successfully established by seamlessly swap players to the new game during matchmaking transitions to a networked game to heal a disconnection of a first computer from a second computer, the computers being connected to a broadcast channel, said broadcast channel being an m-regular graph where m is at least 3:

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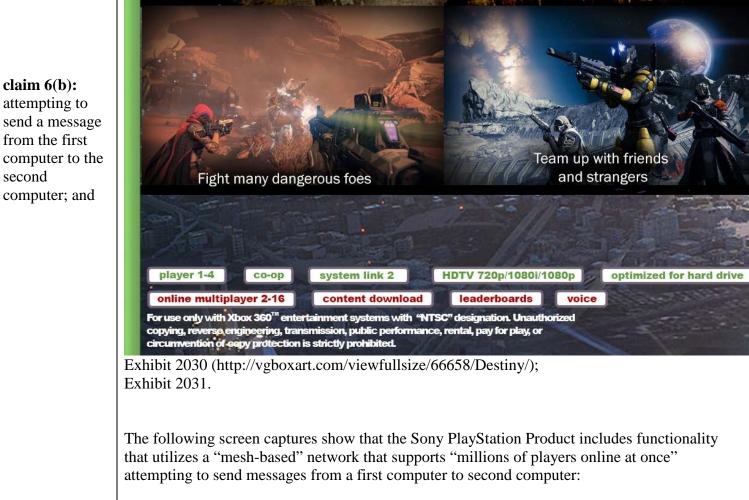




😐 1 Friend Online 🛛 🔺 Invite Friends OPTIONS Menu 🧔 Dismiss Exhibit 2037 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mfzIDQQLCqk). The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to create m-regular topologies of players when setting up logical and physical network topologies using the PlayStation Network SDKs and Activity Hosts, which are used to handle activity and failover states when players are no longer connected or leave via Host Migration to a new physics host to heal a disconnection of a first computer from a second computer, the computers being connected to a broadcast channel, said broadcast channel being an m-regular graph where m is at least 3: Public Private But Destiny is a world of intersecting, not parallel lines. Most of the time, players are just passing through public bubbles. Any one of these players could be the current Physics Host, and as soon as she leaves and deinstantiates the bubble, we need to Host Migrate to a new physics host. Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubmus.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 51; see also Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubmus.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 40.

The Sony PlayStation Product meets the recited claim language because it attempts to send messages from a first computer to second computer within m-regular connectivity meshes of players during different network game sessions and for different game session data and makes sure that each of the players is optimally connected to other players to ensure that all nodes are connected to the same number of nodes to ensure that no node is overloaded.

The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality that attempts to send messages from a first computer to second computer within m-regular connectivity meshes of players during different network game sessions and for different game session data and makes sure that each of the players is optimally connected to other players to ensure that all nodes are connected to the same number of nodes to ensure that no node is overloaded, as shown in the screenshots below:



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claim 6(b): attempting to send a message from the first computer to the second

Multiplayer in Destiny is set to be unlike anything that's come before. We spoke with Bungie technical director Chris Butcher about how it works under the hood and what displays to the player in the game. Find out the nuts and bolts of how Destiny differs from both MMOs and multiplayer shooters to carve its own path.
How did the big idea for Destiny's multiplayer philosophy start?
You have all of these examples of people who are doing big server cluster things like World of Warcraft or something like that. But we didn't really want to do that, because if you think about those kinds of games, you've got a centralized server that's simulating everything in the world, but that can only scale up to some number of players. Maybe it's 1,000. Maybe it's 5,000. Maybe it's 20,000. You compare that to the population of a console game and it's tiny.
So what that means is that you have to have dozens or hundreds of these separate servers. So we started out by thinking, "We want to have a single world that everybody can be in."
We took this mesh-based networking that we've been developing for years and years with Halo and adapted that networking to work in a seamless interconnected world full of other players and AIs. So when you're playing a destination you're moving from area to area and every one of those areas has got this mesh networking with a group of players that are in it at this one time. And then it has its own servers for that particular area so you're continuously moving around between these groups of both consoles and also dedicated servers that are hosting it.
That's the thing that I'm really excited that we've been able to do because I think it's been really hard for us. And I don't really think anybody else is going to be able to pull it off in the timeframe we're talking about on consoles.
Exhibit2028 <u>http://www.gameinformer.com/b/features/archive/2013/12/06/the-matchmaking-technology-of-destiny.aspx?PostPageIndex=1</u>

How does this mesh-based network play out in the game?

What happens is everybody in the world can play together. There aren't these barriers that are in place. You're all playing in one connected online world. When you're moving from location to location you're always going to have people to play with because there's this huge population. You never have to go to an area of the world that's deserted because there happens to be no one here on the server at this time.

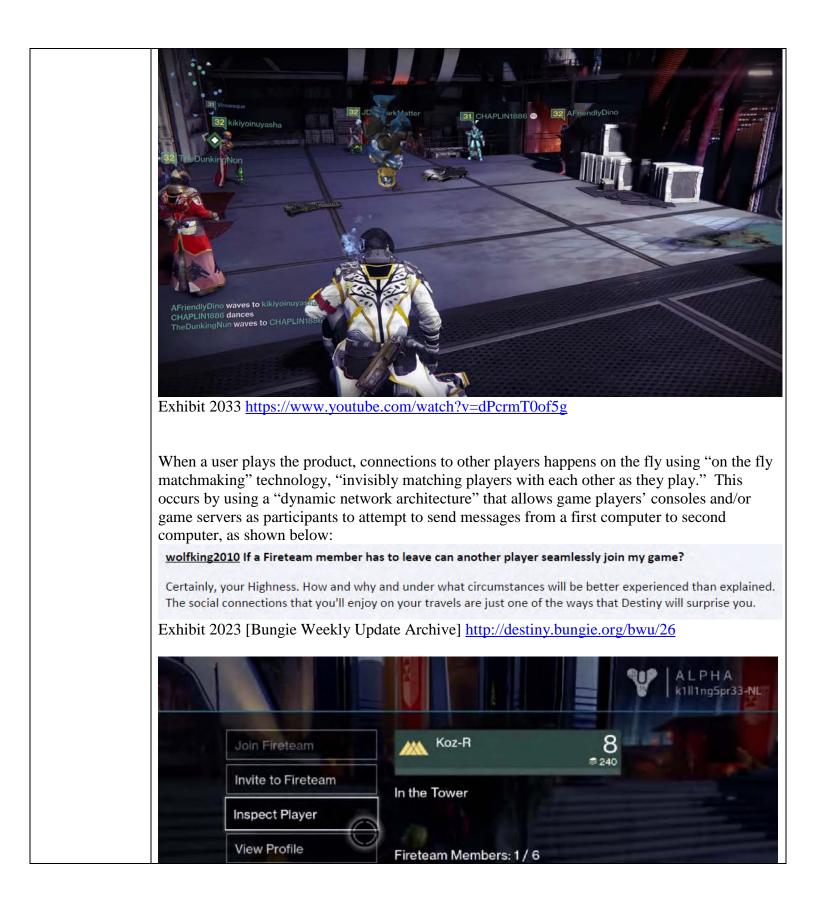
There are these artifacts that you get when you have, when you do a simulation that runs on a single server on a big mainframe type thing, there are two problems that you get. One problem is all of the 5,000 people on your server nobody is playing in Old Russia at the moment so it's just empty when you go there. Or the other problem is all 5,000 people logged in and tried to go to the same place at the same time and the server crashes or it gets so full up that it's totally lagged out. And if it does get full then there are some of those games that will start having different instances, but typically they don't handle that very well because it's not a core part of the game design.

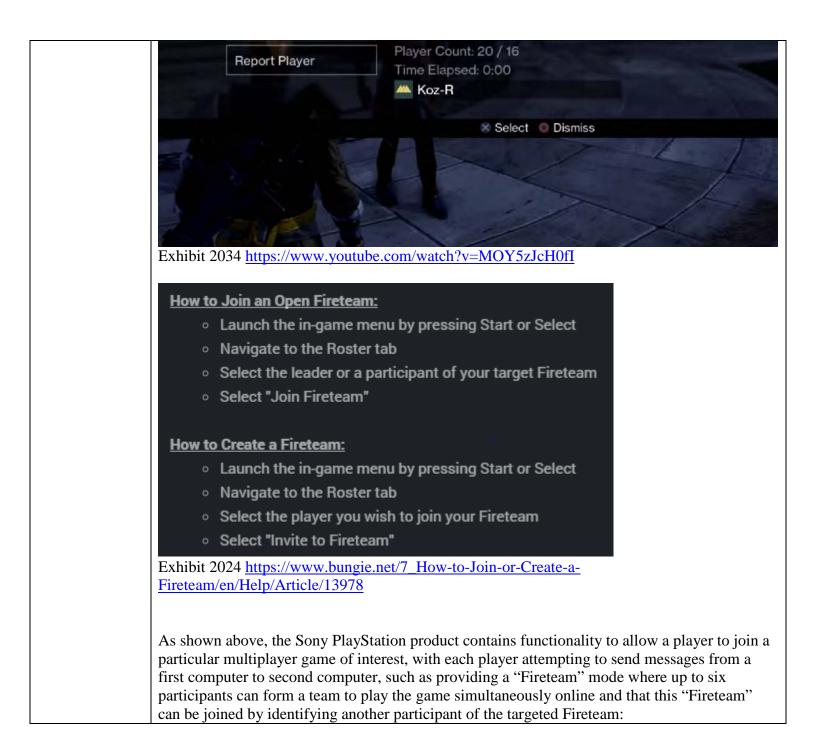
For us we've kind of said we want this game world to be able to work with millions of players online at once. And that means playing to the strengths of the consoles. Being able to use these very powerful machines to run a lot of the simulation. Being able to use the servers in a seamless fashion so that as you're moving from place to place you're switching networks with all of the different people that are around you. You've got a very high quality fast action gameplay experience. If you have all of these calculations taking place in a central server that's one place in the world you can't really have a fast action experience.

What if you're playing from Brazil or the West Coast of America? When we have this big pool of global players to matchmake with we're able to use all of our technology to make sure you're playing with people who are physically located near you so you have good ping to everybody else. So you're able to have this great action experience that you're used to in these action games. But at the same time you can do it in this global fashion.

Exhibit 2028 <u>http://www.gameinformer.com/b/features/archive/2013/12/06/the-matchmaking-technology-of-destiny.aspx?PostPageIndex=1</u>

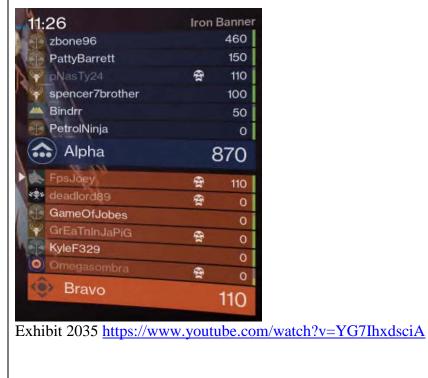
As a further example, the following screen capture shows eight participants interacting with each other attempting to send messages from a first computer to second computer:



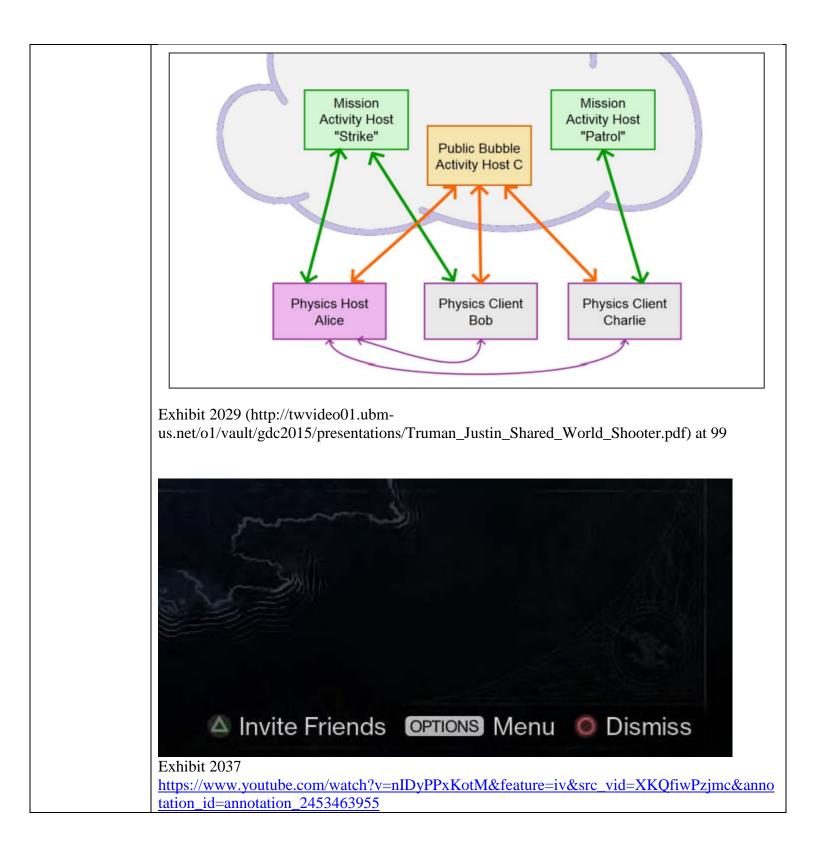


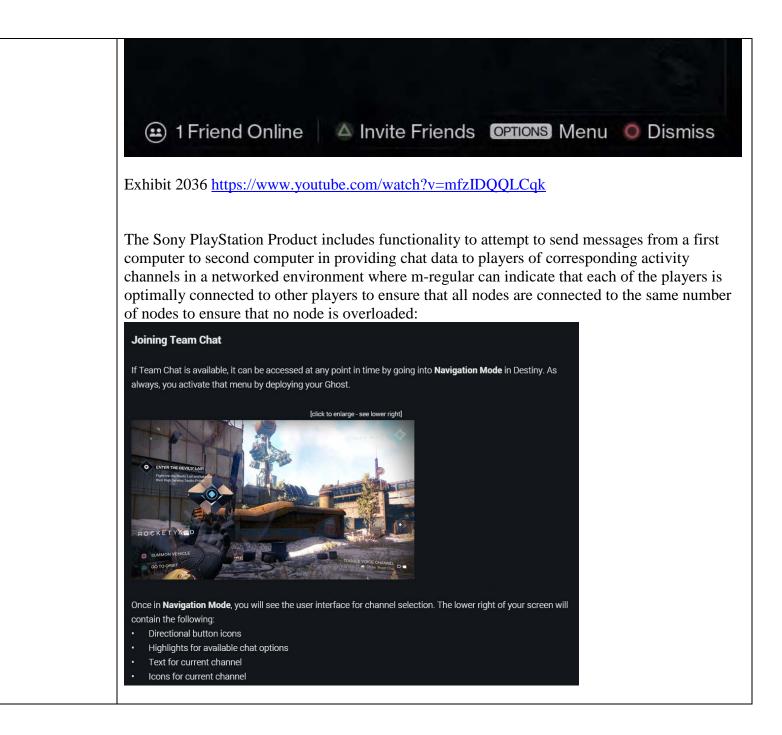
The next step on that front begins with this Iron Banner.

Lord Saladin's battle for the Spark will feature new matchmaking settings that will assign more emphasis to connection quality. These changes will be made in an effort to reduce lag. There will still be some consideration given to matching you with worthy adversaries, but that's a thing we've done since Destiny first shipped. Exhibit 2025 https://www.bungie.net/en/News/News?aid=14278

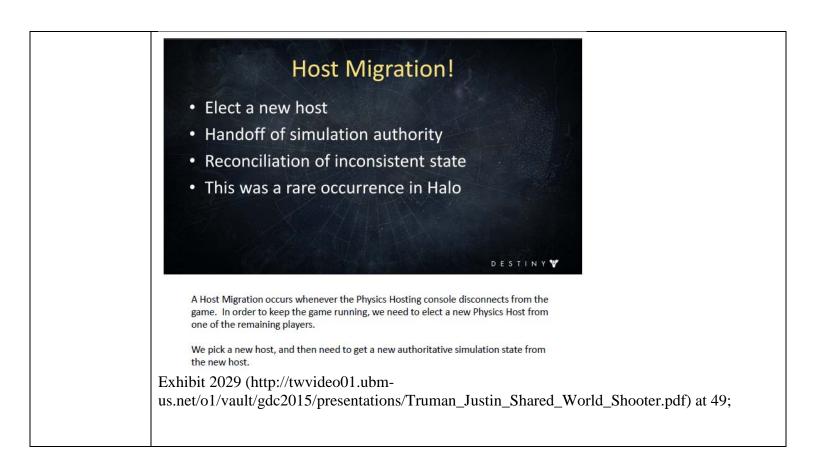


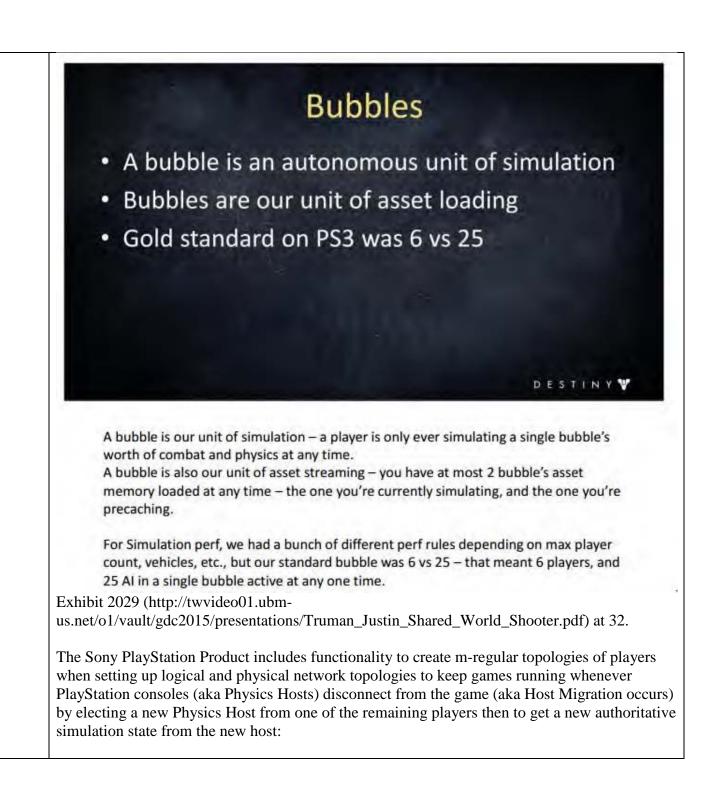
As shown below, the Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to allow each participant to have connections to at least three neighbor participants, with each player attempting to send messages from a first computer to second computer, including PS4 consoles and allows players to "Invite Friends" to join his/her network:

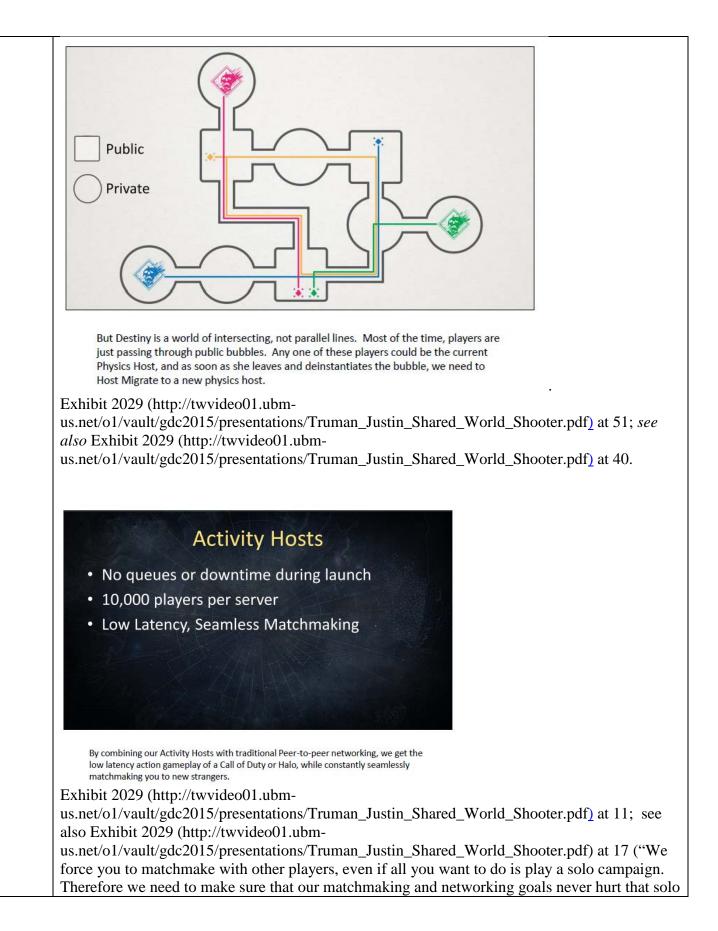




	Voice Chat Settings	
	As with everything in Destiny, your Settings menu will enable you to establish your preferences. You will have two	
	options under VOICE . Choose the one that best suits your style of play.	
	[click to enlarge - see lower left]	
	Manually Opt-in (Default) This is the default option. When playing a game, you will need to deliberately enter Navigation Mode to select Team Chat. Each member of a pre-formed party must select this option on their own.	
	Automatic Opt-in When Solo	
	With this option, you'll be automatically added to the Team Chat channel when you're alone. The automated toggle will not happen if you're keeping the company of a friend in your Fireteam. That would separate you from them, and	
	no one likes to be separated from their friends.	
	Exhibit 2032 https://www.bungie.net/en/News/Article/12376/7_voice-chat-beta-in-destiny	
claim 6(c):	The Sony PlayStation Product meets the recited claim language because when the attempt to	
when the	send the message is unsuccessful, it includes functionality to broadcast from the first computer a	
attempt to send	connection port search message indicating that the first computer needs a connection port.	
the message is unsuccessful,	The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to broadcast from the first computer a	
broadcasting	The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to broadcast from the first computer a connection port search message indicating that the first computer needs a connection when the	
from the first	attempt to send the message is unsuccessful by initiating an attempt by the match server, host	
computer a	server, or peer to find a connection port to another player that can be used to maintain an m-	
connection port	regular graph in the game session or match and to create an optimized connectivity mesh of	
search message	players, and keeping games running whenever PlayStation consoles (aka Physics Hosts)	
indicating that	disconnect from the game (aka Host Migration occurs) by electing a new Physics Host from one	
the first	of the remaining players then to get a new authoritative simulation state from the new host, as	
computer needs a connection;	described in the screenshots below:	
and		

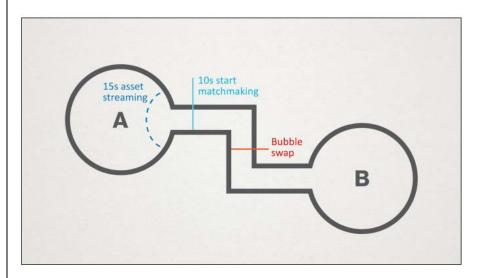






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The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to create m-regular topologies of players when setting up logical and physical network topologies to handle activity and failover states when players are no longer connected or leave via Host Migration to a new physics host:



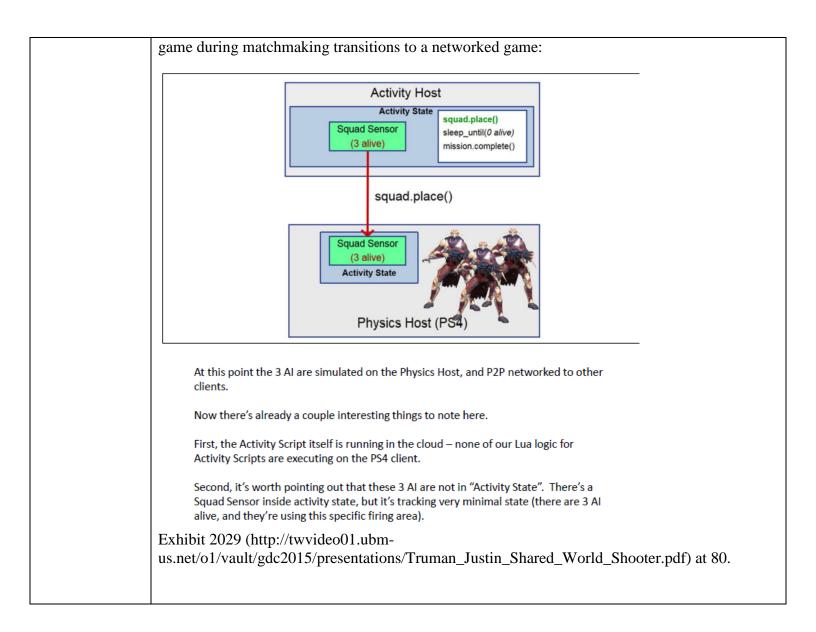
The neat thing we also do during these transitions is matchmake you to a new networked game. In order to meet new strangers in bubble B, we start matchmaking for a new host at the 10s mark, and are ready to seamlessly swap you to the new game when we perform our bubble swap.

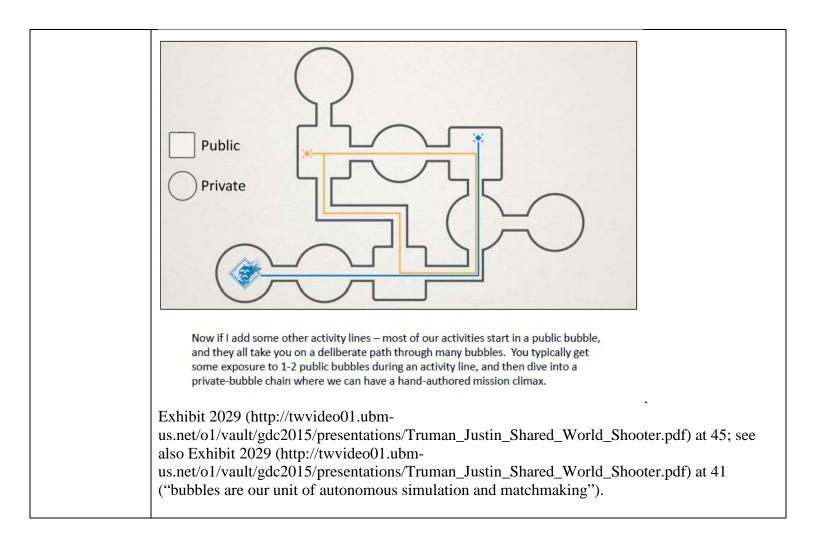
Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubm-

us.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 36.



The Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality to create m-regular topologies of players when setting up logical and physical network topologies to seamlessly swap players to the new





Activity Hosts

- No queues or downtime during launch
- 10,000 players per server
- Low Latency, Seamless Matchmaking
- PS4 Host Migrations every 160 seconds

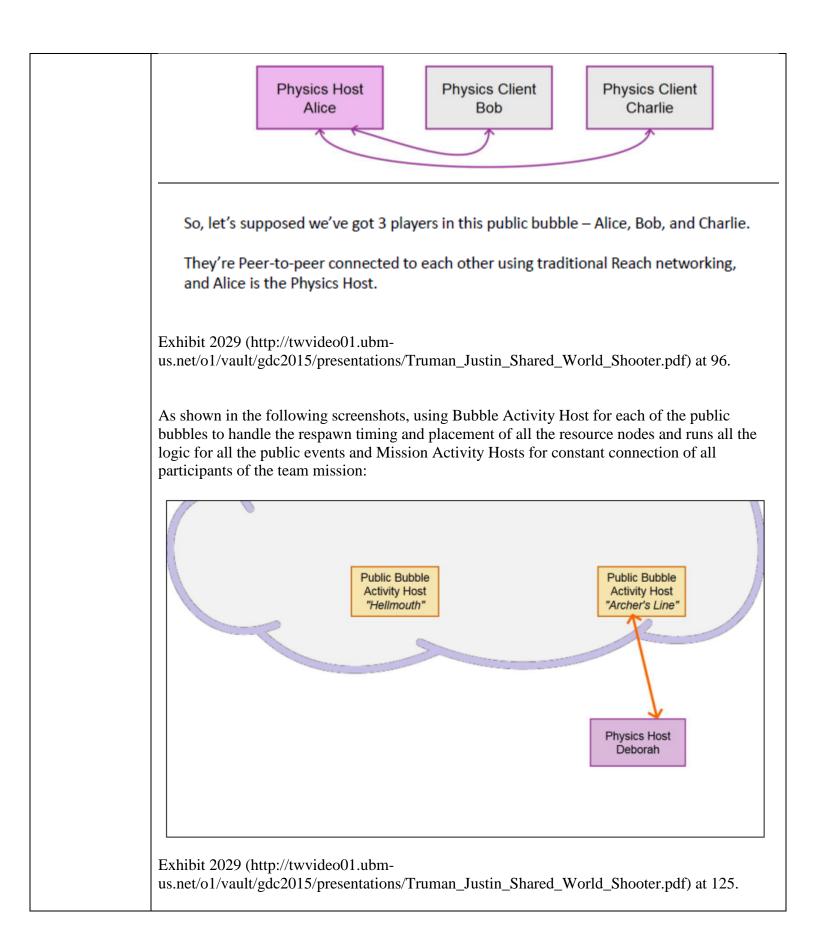
A typical Destiny player is Host Migrating between different PS4's once every 160 seconds, without noticing any discontinuity in their simulation.

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Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubmus.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 12.

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As shown in the screenshots below, where not every player in the game session is directly connected, either logically or physically to every other PS4 console (aka Physics Host of Physics Client) in the game, the Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality that broadcasts from the first computer a connection port search message indicating that the first computer needs a connection when the attempt to send the message is unsuccessful by creating a graph of players when setting up a logical and physical network topology via Public Bubbles Activity Hosts:



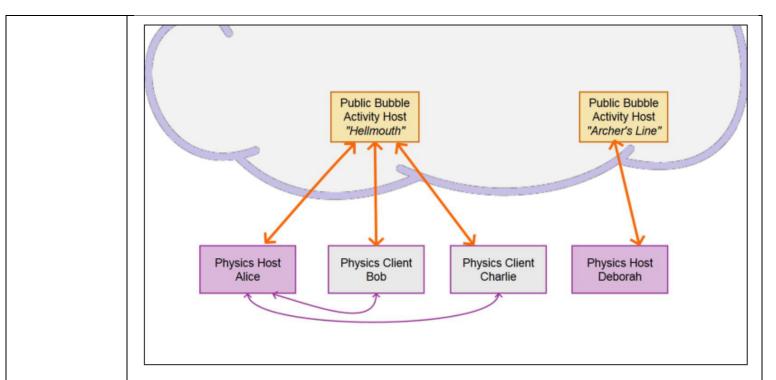
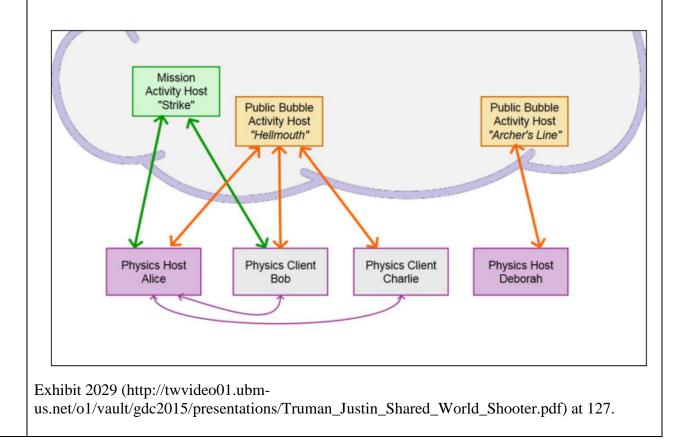
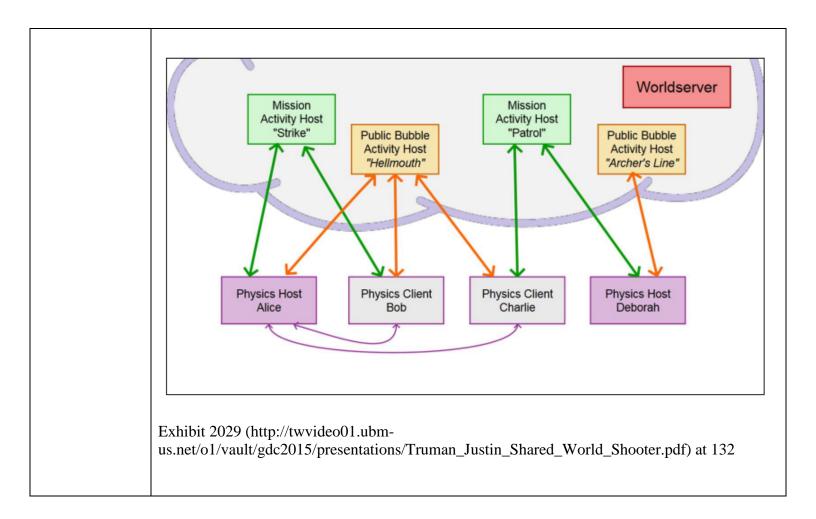


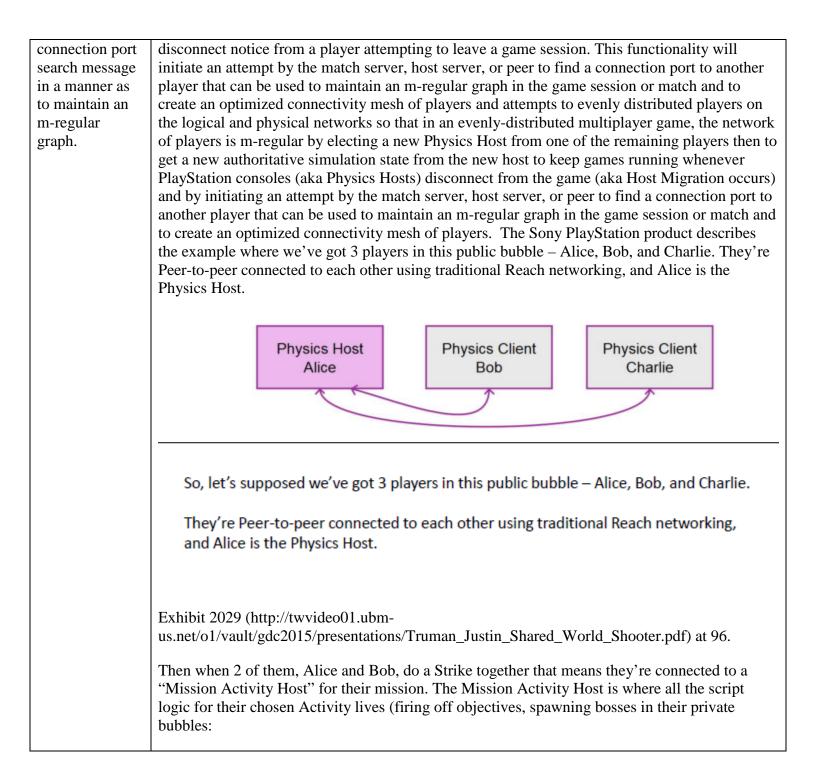
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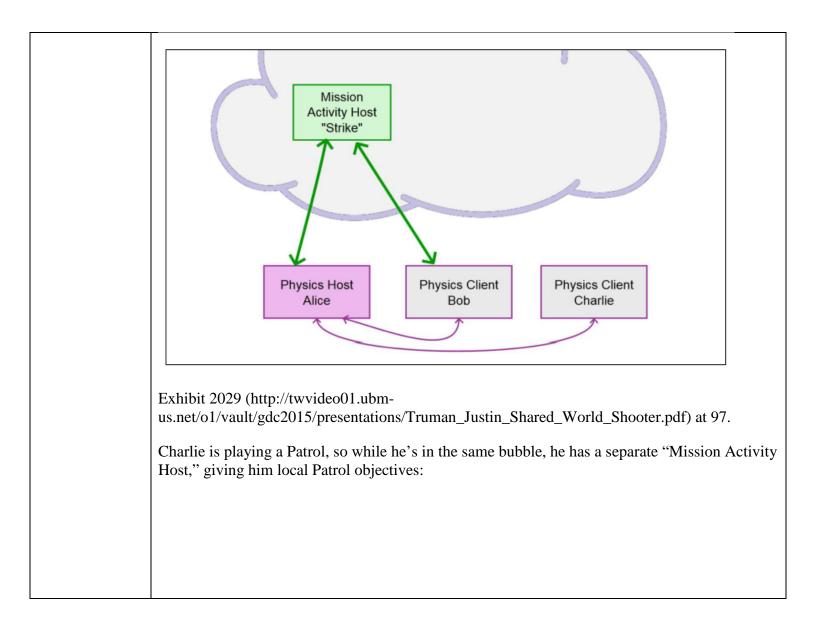


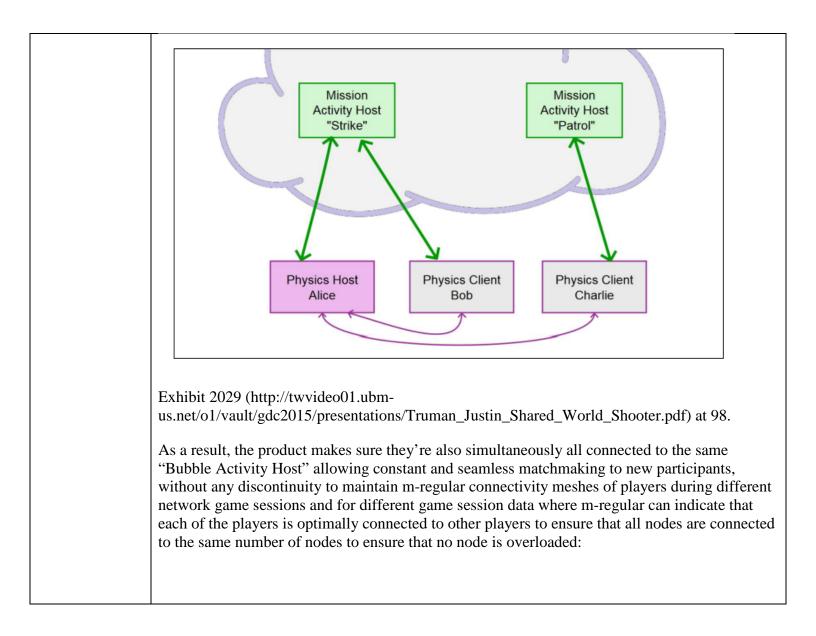
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	"Mission" Activity Host
	One Mission Host per Fireteam
	 Runs the Script for your current Activity
	 Owns all private bubbles in the destination
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	So, to reiterate:
	Each Fireteam gets their own Mission Host. All fireteammates are always connected to the same mission host (and this may be the only connection they share, if they're not in the same bubbles)
	The Mission Host runs the Activity Script specific to the activity you're on – like a given Story Mission Script.
	The Mission Host also owns all the Private Bubbles in the destination – that way your fireteam can meet up in any of these private bubbles, but no strangers will ever show up there.
	Exhibit 2029 (http://twvideo01.ubm- us.net/o1/vault/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 101.
claim 6(d): having a third computer not	The Sony PlayStation Product meets the recited claim language because it includes functionality to have a third computer not already connected to said first computer respond to said connection port search message in a manner as to maintain an m-regular graph.
already connected to said first computer respond to said	As shown below, the Sony PlayStation Product includes functionality for maintaining an m- regular graph by having a third computer not already connected to said first computer respond to said connection port search message in a manner that controls players disconnecting from a game session, and includes code for a match server, host server, or peers for receiving a







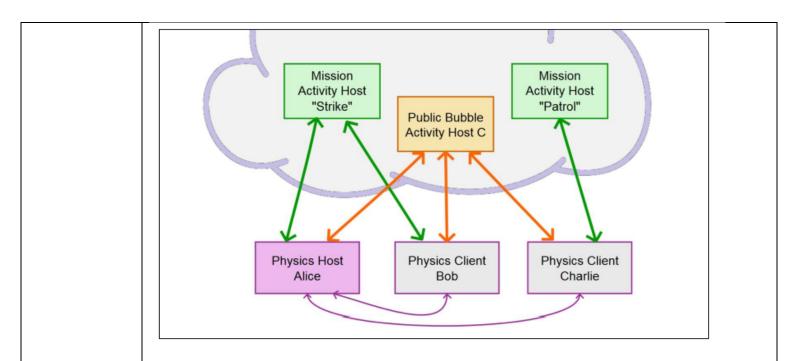
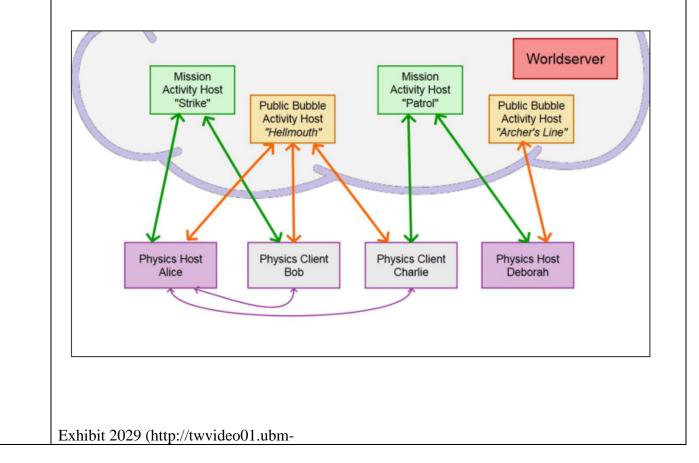
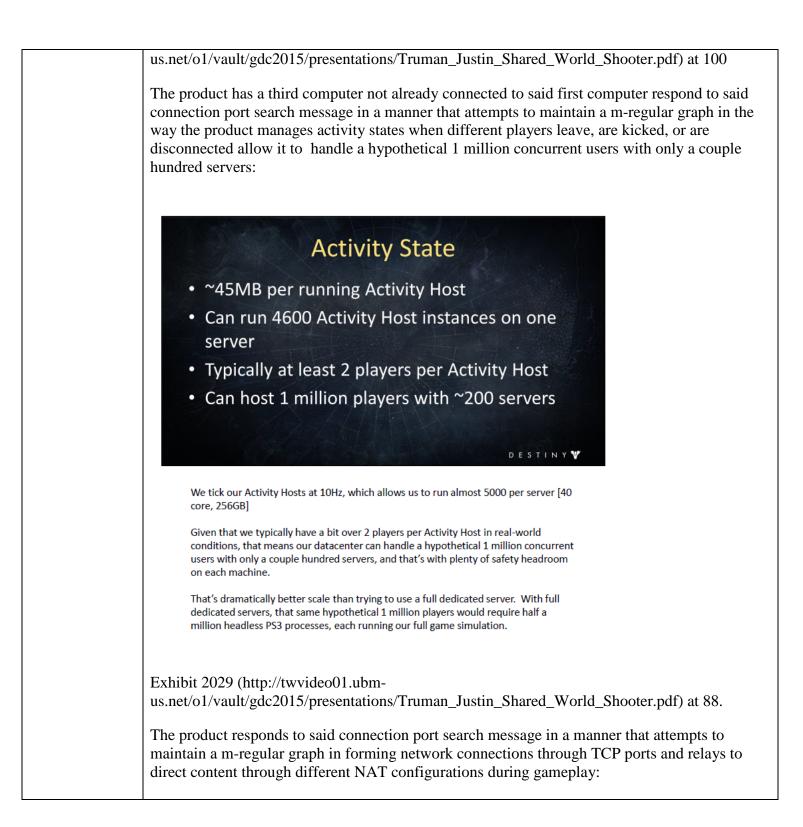


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NAT Type	How your PS4 [™] system is connected to the Internet This information can be used to judge the ease or difficulty of connecting to other PS4 [™] systems, such as when using communication features of games. Type 1: The system is connected directly to the Internet. Type 2: The system is connected to the Internet with a router. Type 3: The system is connected to the Internet with a router.
Use PlayStation™Netw you're using PlayStation might prevent your PS4	est Internet Connection _ PlayStation®4 User's Guide.pdf at 1. ork to connect your PS4 [™] system to a PlayStation [™] Network server or to another PS4 [™] system. When [™] Network at an office or other location with a shared network, a firewall or other security measures [™] system from connecting to PlayStation [™] Network. If this occurs, refer to the port numbers listed when you connect your PS4 [™] system to a PlayStation [™] Network server.
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These are the p server:	ort number that all games published by SCEE, may use for communicating with the game
TCP Ports: 80, 443, 5223, a	and what we call the 'port range' which is 10070 - 10080
UDP Ports: 3478, 3479, 36	58, and 10070
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(describing how always-online i	/gdc2015/presentations/Truman_Justin_Shared_World_Shooter.pdf) at 5 v the Sony PlayStation Product can run "a console shooter that requires an nternet connection.");
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