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[54] **METHOD OF SOFTWARE INSTALLATION AND SETUP**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A method for reducing the time needed for setting up a computer system in a user selected language version of a disk operating system by pre-installing a plurality of modules for different language versions of disk operating systems. Upon initial power on by an end user, a minimal disk operating system runs a software setup program which installs the end user selected language version of the disk operating system and merges certain factory loaded files into the user selected language operating system. A software installation program is then run which implements the changes necessitated by each of the modules for proper operation thereby resulting in a disk operating system that is properly configured for the operation of the combination of software programs. The computer system is then re-booted to implement the changes to the configuration of the disk operating system.

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