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In re Appln. of: Deepa Joshi

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH
 QUERY

Attorney Docket No.: 12729-796 (Y01651US03)

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of prior application no. 12/765,676.

Prior application information: Examiner: Thai, Hanh B. Art Unit: 2163

- ☐ Maintenance of copendency of prior application: A request for extension of time and the appropriate fee have been filed in the pending prior application (or are being filed in the prior application concurrently herewith) to extend the period for response until _____.
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2. ATTACHMENTS: The following application elements and other papers are attached:

- ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR § 1.76.
- ☒ Title page
- ☒ Specification, including claims and Abstract (13 pages)
- ☒ Drawings (7 sheet(s))
- ☐ Appendices: _____
- ☒ Declaration or ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages):
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 - ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR §1.53(d)(4). Please DELETE the following inventor(s) named in prior nonprovisional application no. _____: _____
- ☐ English Translation Document:
 - ☐ is attached or ☐ has been filed in prior application no. _____.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment (Note: Related application data required under 37 CFR §1.78, if any, appears in the Amendments to the Specification section of the Preliminary Amendment, including incorporations by reference.)
- ☐ Petition to Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, including Form PTO-1449 (1 sheets) and copies of references cited, if required.

- ☒ Assignment to: Yahoo! Inc.:
- ☐ with accompanying Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet, is attached.
- ☒ was previously recorded on August 10, 2006 at Reel 018162, Frame 0139.
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- ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 USC §122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☒ Other: Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b).

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and systems for reconstructing a full query based on a partial query are disclosed. Existing interfaces for search engines may be rigid and require users to submit full queries to perform searched. The methods and systems described herein may solve these problems by allowing a flexible way for users to submit a partial query and reconstruct a full query based on the partial query. A search may then be performed using the reconstructed query.

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Application Data Sheet 37 CFR 1.76		Attorney Docket Number	12729-796 (Y01651US03)
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CLAIMS

1. A computer database system for providing search results to a user in response to user submissions over a data network, the computer database system comprising:

a database configured to store information about events in the computer database system; and

a query reconstruction server in data communication with the database and operative to receive a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user seeking search results matching the submitted partial query and, in response to the received partial query, determine a full query based on

(i) the received partial query, and

(ii) information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users,

wherein the submitted partial query comprises an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user and the full query is better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.

2. The computer database system of claim 1 wherein the query reconstruction server is further operative to determine as the full query the most frequently submitted, previously-submitted query that matches partial words of the partial query.

3. The computer database system of claim 2 further comprising:

a web server operative to receive search results produced by a search engine and deliver web pages that include the received search results to a browser of the user.

4. The computer database system of claim 1 further comprising:

a query data management server in data communication with the query reconstruction server and the database, the query data management server being operative to provide to the query reconstruction server the information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users.

5. The computer database system of claim 4 wherein the query data management server is further configured to:

- retrieve from the database historical query data relating to a plurality of previously submitted search queries;
- build a query index based on the historical query data;
- store the query index in the database; and
- provide the query index to the query reconstruction server.

6. The computer database system of claim 4 wherein the query data management server is further configured to:

- retrieve from the database information about queries previously submitted to the computer database system;
- filter the retrieved information about the queries; and
- construct one or more indexes from the filtered query information,

the query data management server providing the constructed indexes to the query reconstruction server for use as the information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users when the query reconstruction server determines the full query.

7. The computer database system of claim 6 wherein the query data management server is configured to select, as the filtered query information, most popular queries from the retrieved information about queries previously submitted.

8. A computer implemented method for a computer database system, the method comprising:

- storing in memory data about previously received queries at the computer database system;
- at a server, retrieving selected data from the memory including query data representative of previously submitted queries and information based on frequency counts for the respective previously submitted queries;
- at the server, constructing indexes using the retrieved selected data;
- receiving at the server a partial query submitted by a user at a remote user client system, the submitted partial query including an abbreviated or incomplete

search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user; and
at the server, using the indexes to determine a full query corresponding to the submitted partial query, the full query being better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.

9. The method of claim 8 further comprising communicating the full query from the server to a search engine for subsequent processing of the full query.

10. The method of claim 8 further comprising:
submitting the full query from the server to a search engine;
receiving search results at the server from the search engine; and
communicating a web page including at least some of the search results from the server to the user.

11. The method of claim 10 further comprising:
at the server, using the indexes to determine one or more alternative queries that match the submitted partial query,
and wherein communicating the web page comprises communicating a web page including at least some of the one or more alternative queries.

12. The method of claim 8 wherein receiving the partial query comprises interpreting the submitted partial query as a series of words separated by delimiters.

13. The method of claim 12 further comprising:
at the server, interpreting each word of the received partial query as a partial word of the entire search query desired by the user; and
using the indexes, determining a full query that matches the partial words specified in the partial query.

14. The method of claim 13 wherein determining a full query comprises determining the full query that is the most frequently submitted known query, as defined by the indexes, that matches the partial words of the received partial query in the same order.

15. A computer implemented method for a computer database system, the method comprising:

storing in memory data about previously received queries at the computer database system, the stored data including respective received queries and respective weight values determined based on receipt frequency of the respective received queries;

receiving at a server of the computer database system a partial query submitted by a user at a remote user client system, the submitted partial query including an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user;

at the server, interpreting each word of the received partial query as a partial word of the entire search query desired by the user; and

at the server, identifying in the memory previously received queries that match the partial words specified in the partial query;

at the server, selecting as a full query a matching query which is most popular based on the weight values, the full query being better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.

16. The method of claim 15 further comprising:

submitting the full query from the server to a search engine;

receiving search results at the server from the search engine; and

communicating a web page including at least some of the search results from the server to the user.

17. The method of claim 16 further comprising:

at the server, based on the weights, determining one or more alternative queries that match the submitted partial query,

and wherein communicating the web page comprises communicating a web page including at least some of the one or more alternative queries.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein communicating the web page comprises communicating a web page with one or more hyperlinks corresponding to the one or more alternative queries, the hyperlinks being selectable by the user viewing the web page to select on of the one or more alternative queries.

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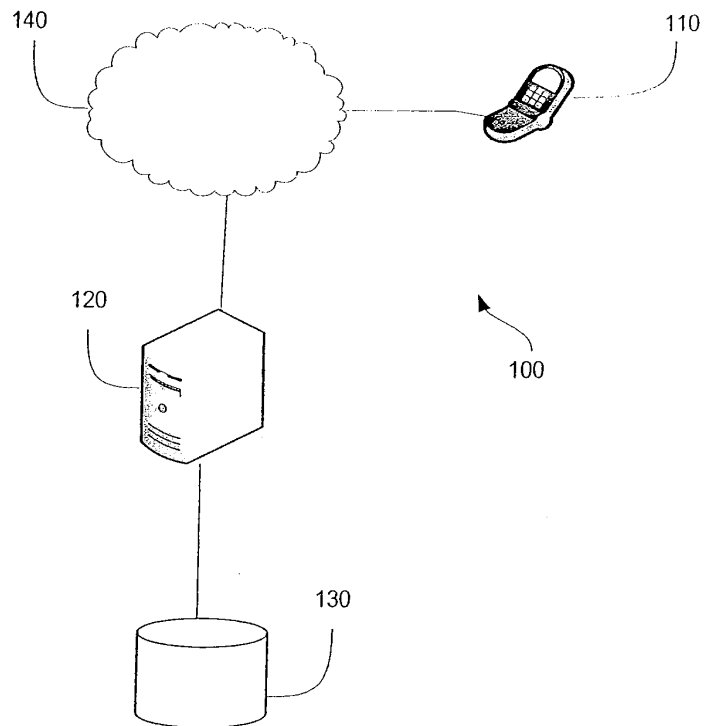


Figure 1

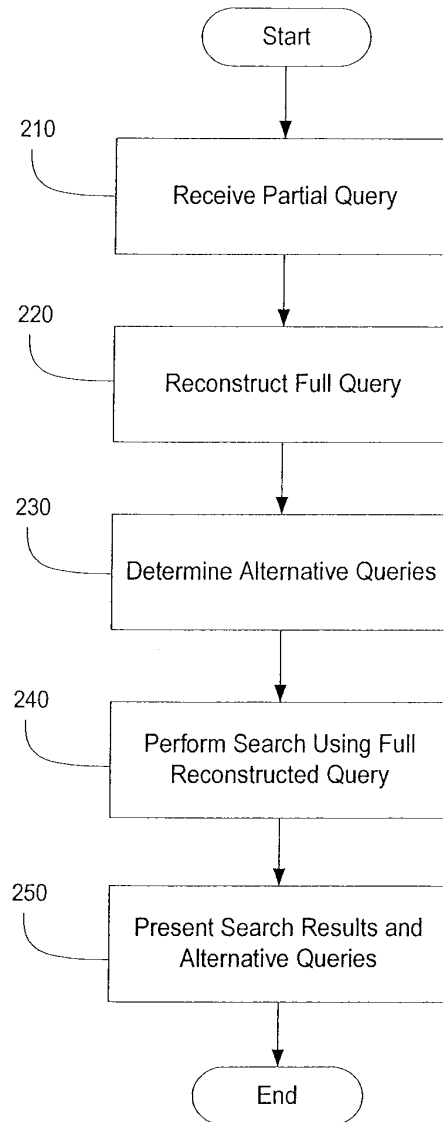


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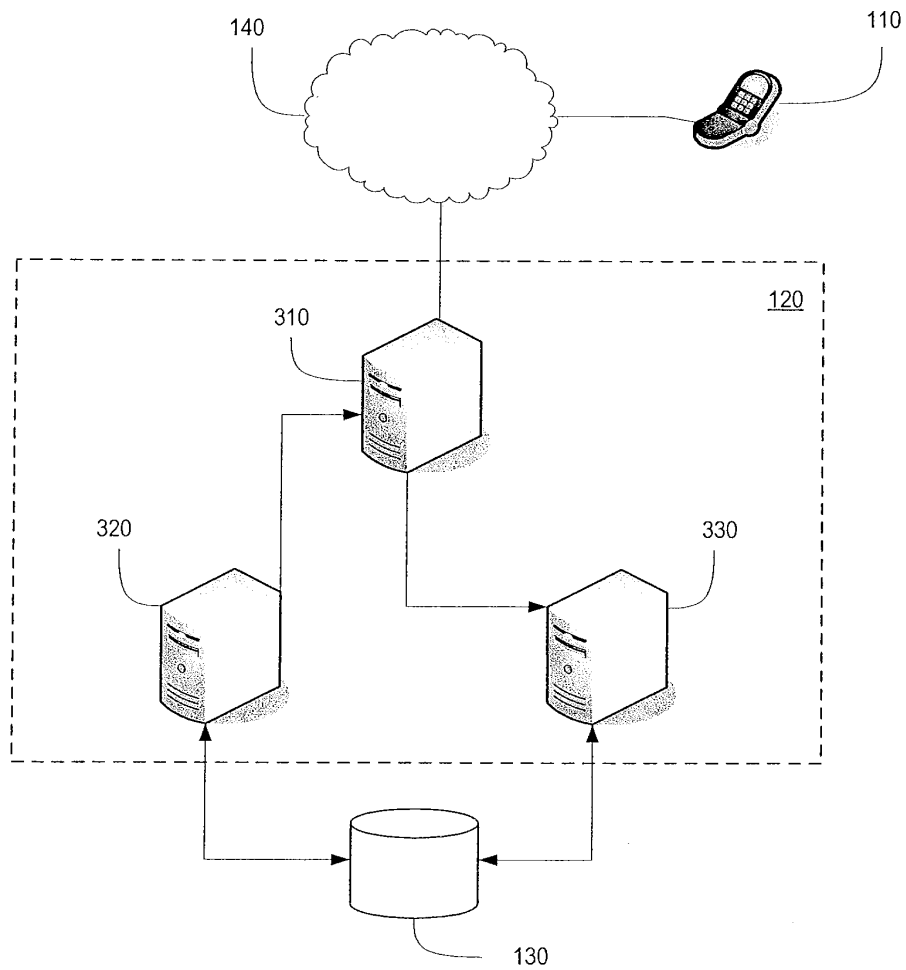


Figure 3

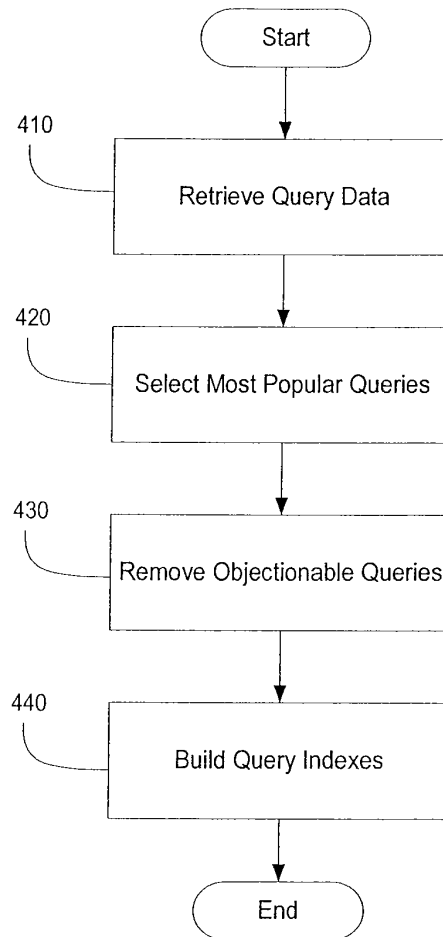
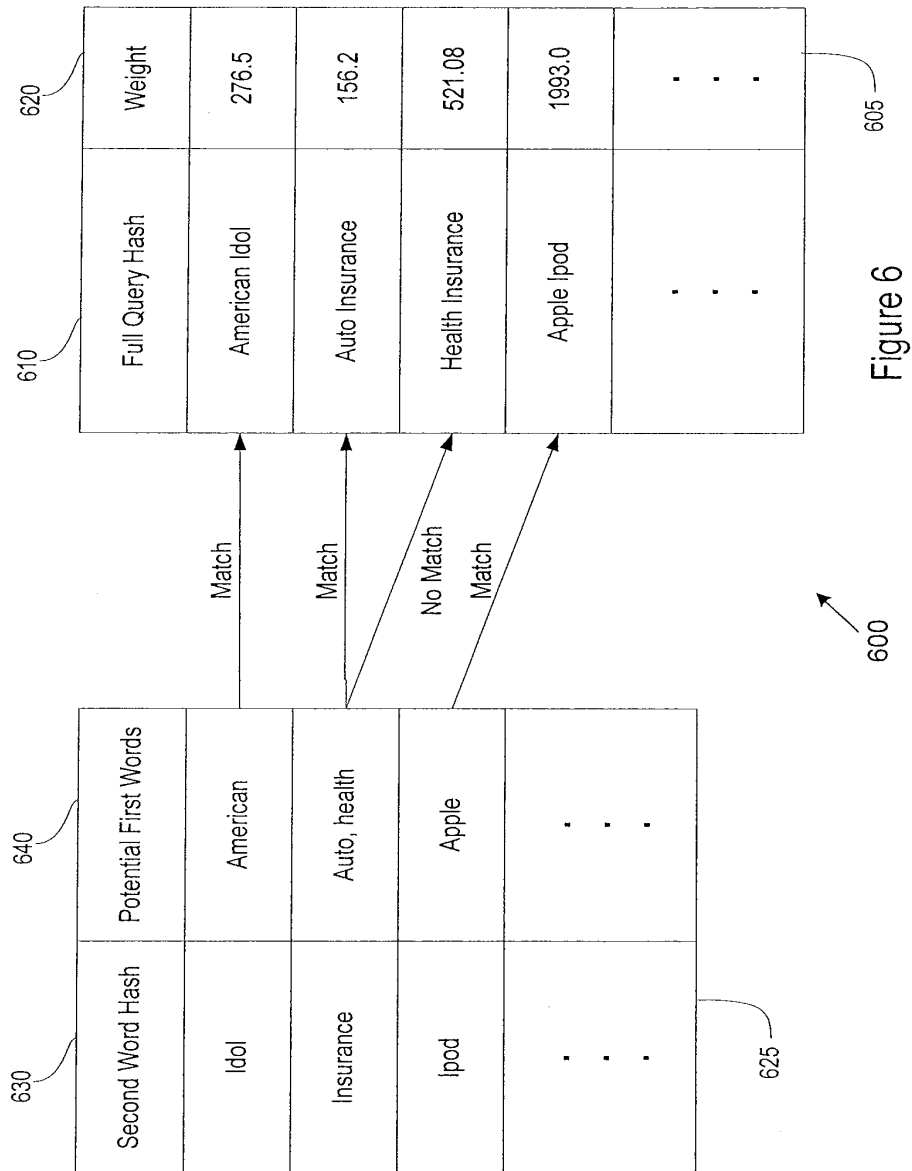


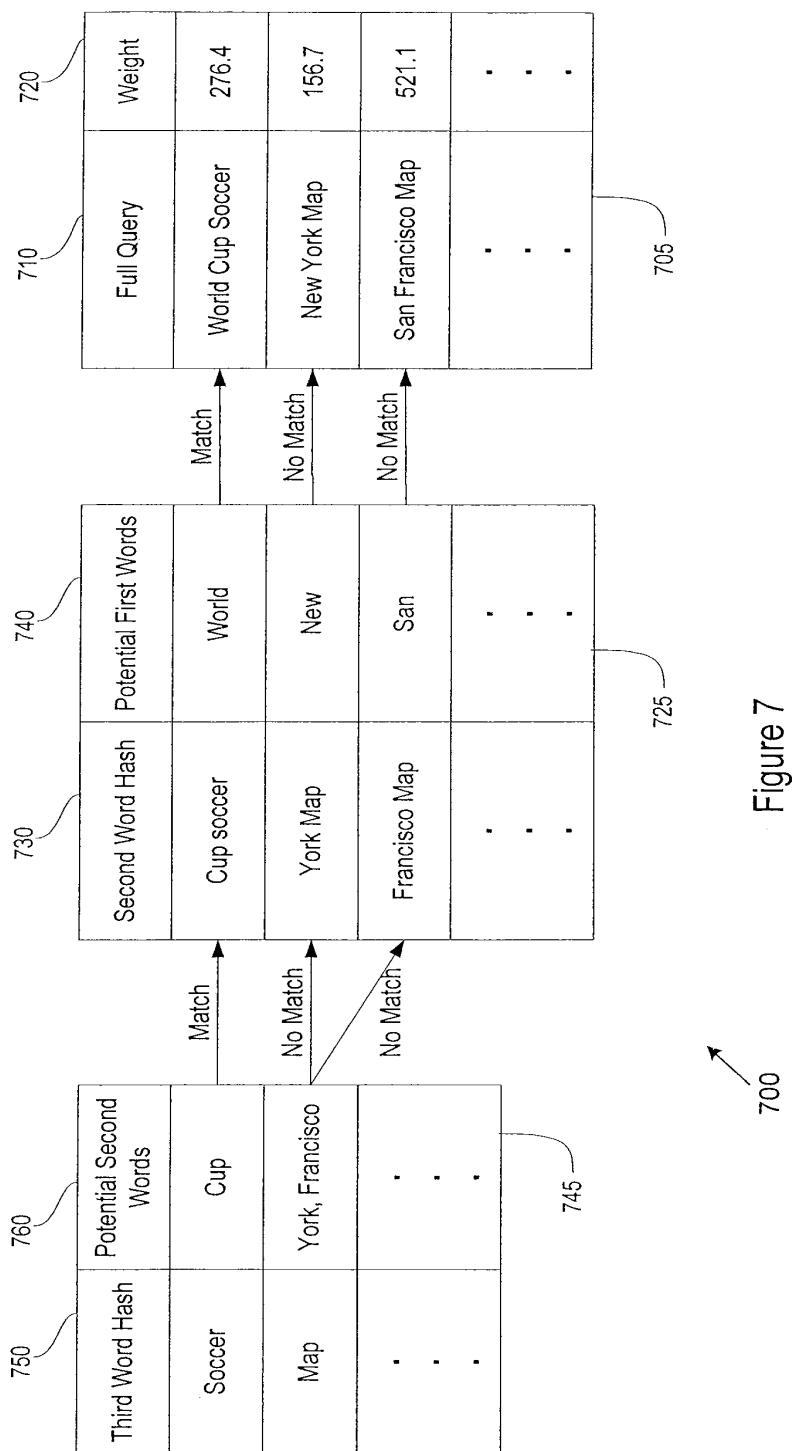
Figure 4

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	Query	Weight		
	Weather	100.8		
	Maps	200.4		
	Game	50.9		
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Figure 5





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This application claims priority under 35 USC §120 to the following United States patent applications: 12/765,676 and 11/502,202. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references cited herein which were submitted to, or cited by, the office, in compliance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)-(c) in the earlier application are not provided herewith. The Examiner is directed to those references cited in all Information Disclosure Statements filed in the priority United States patent applications cited above in addition to the references cited herein.

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

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OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
H. Itoh, NTCIR-4 Patent Retrieval Experiments at RICOH, Working Notes of NTCIR-4, NII Test Collection for IR Systems Workshop 4, June 2-4, 2004, 4 pages.	

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37

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C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 CFR §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a).

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	A24	H. Itoh, NTCIR-4 Patent Retrieval Experiments at RICOH, Working Notes of NTCIR-4, NII Test Collection for IR Systems Workshop 4, June 2-4, 2004, 4 pages.

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH QUERY

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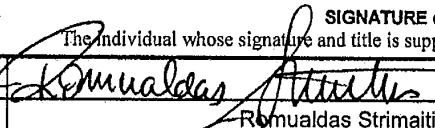
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH QUERY

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH QUERY RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present patent document is a continuation of Patent Application serial number 12/765,676, filed April 22, 2010, issued as 8,046,347 on October 25, 2011, which is a continuation of Patent Application Serial No. 11/502,202, filed August 10, 2006, now US patent number 7,716,201, both of which are hereby incorporated herein in their entirety by this reference.

BACKGROUND

[0002] 1. Technical Field

[0003] This application relates to search engines. In particular, this application relates to a flexible and intuitive system for reconstructing a search query based on a received partial query.

[0004] 2. Related Art

[0005] The transfer of information over computer networks, such as the Internet, has become an increasingly important means by which institutions, corporations, and individuals do business. Computer networks have grown over the years from independent and isolated entities established to serve the needs of a single group into vast internets which interconnect disparate physical networks and allow them to function as a coordinated system. Currently, the largest computer network in existence is the Internet. The Internet is a worldwide interconnection of computer networks that communicate using a common protocol. Millions of computers, from low end personal computers to high end supercomputers, are connected to the Internet.

[0006] The availability of powerful new tools that facilitate the development and distribution of Internet content (this includes information of any kind, in any form or format) has led to a proliferation of information, products, and services offered through the Internet and a dramatic growth in both the number and types of consumers using the Internet. To sift through this sea of information, users typically employ the use of search engines that allow users to submit queries and provide responsive information, such as a list of references, that meet criteria specified in the query.

[0007] Additionally, the number of devices capable of accessing the Internet has also dramatically increased. Today, user's may access the Internet using a wide variety of

devices, such as personal computers, cell phones, personal digital assistants, and the like which may utilize different networking technologies to connect to the Internet. The portability of the device and/or connection type has become an increasingly important concern for users. However, increased access costs and decreased input capabilities are often associated with portable Internet access. As a result, users are limited in their ability to access the full depth of the Internet. For example, users may not be able to take full advantage of a search engine on a mobile device, such as a cell phone, because the user is unable to enter a search query without substantial effort.

BRIEF SUMMARY

[0008] In one embodiment, a method for providing search results to a user is provided. The method may include receiving a first set of information indicative of a partial query, determining a full query based on the partial query, submitting the full query to a search engine, receiving results from the search engine, and presenting the results to the user.

[0009] In another embodiment, a method for determining a full query based on a partial query is provided. The method may include receiving a first set of information indicative of a partial query, comparing the partial query to an index of known search queries to determine matching known queries, determining a full query by selecting at least one of the matching known queries.

[0010] In another embodiment, a system for providing search results to a user is provided. The system may include a query reconstruction server operable to receive a first set of information indicative of a partial query, determining a full query based on the partial query, and submitting the full query to a search engine. The system may also include a web server operable to receiving results from the search engine and presenting the results to the user.

[0011] These and other embodiments and aspects are described with reference to the noted Figures and the below detailed description of the preferred embodiments.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0012] FIG. 1 is a diagram of an exemplary architecture for providing search results;

[0013] FIG. 2 is a flow chart of an exemplary method for providing search results to a user based on a partial query;

[0014] FIG. 3 is another exemplary architecture including a search engine and query reconstruction server;

[0015] FIG. 4 is a flow chart of an exemplary method for building query indexes;

[0016] FIG. 5 is an exemplary query index;

[0017] FIG. 6 is another exemplary query index; and

[0018] FIG. 7 is another exemplary query index.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PRESENTLY PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

[0019] Referring now to the drawings, and initially to FIG. 1, an exemplary architecture for providing search results is shown. The architecture 100 may include a user client system 110, a search engine server 120, and a database 130. Although reference will now be made to specific components of the system performing specific features, it should be apparent that such reference is exemplary, is not intended to limit the scope of the claims in any way, and that the functionalities described herein may be implemented in a virtually unlimited number of configurations.

[0020] The user client system 110 may submit a search query to search engine 120 via the communications network 140. The communication network 140 may be any private or public communication network. The user client system 110 may connect to the search engine server 120 via the Internet using a standard browser application. A browser based implementation allows system features to be accessible regardless of the underlying platform of the user client system 110. For example, the user client system 110 may be a workstation computer, laptop computer, handheld computer, cell phone, mobile messaging device, or the like which may all utilize different hardware and/or software packages. Alternatively, or additionally, the user client system 110 may connect to the search engine server 120 using a stand-alone application which may be either platform dependent or platform independent. Other methods may be used to implement the user client system 110.

[0021] The search engine server 120 may receive a partial query from the user client system 110, reconstruct a full query and provide search results based on the reconstructed query. The search engine server 120 may also include a web server that delivers Web pages that may include the search results to browsers (and other files to applications) via the HTTP protocol. The search engine server 120 may include a database 130 for storing

the information to be searched. The database 130 may also include search query statistics such as an index of all submitted queries, the number of times a particular query was submitted, and the like. Moreover, although figuratively attached to search engine server 120, database 130 may, in practice, distribute user-specific data elements (such as user preferences) to the user client system 110.

[0022] FIG. 2 is a flow chart of an exemplary method for providing search results to a user based on a partial query. Initially, the user may submit a partial query which is received at 210. As used herein, the term "partial search query" or "partial query" means any abbreviated or incomplete search query such that the submitted query is not fully representative of the entire search query desired by the user. In other words, partial search queries are shorthand ways of expressing typical search queries. For example, a partial query "a i" may be used to represent the full search queries "American IdolTM" or "auto insurance." It should be apparent that a full search query may be represented by a multitude of partial search queries. As an additional example, the full query "auto insurance" may be represented by the partial queries "a ins," "auto ins," "a insurance" and the like. The partial search query may include a regular expression, such as the partial query "w c s[oc].*", which may match the full queries "world cup soccer", "world cup schedule", "world cup scores", and the like.

[0023] Next, a full query is reconstructed from the partial query at 220. For example, the query "auto insurance" may be reconstructed from a partial query of "a i". In order to reconstruct the full query, the partial query may be interpreted in a particular manner. The system may interpret the partial query as a series of words separated by delimiters, such as a space character. For example, the partial query "a i" may be interpreted as a two word query. Each word of the partial query may be interpreted as a partial word of the full query, and the system may then determine a full query that matches the partial words specified in the partial query. The determined full query may be the most frequently submitted known query that matches the partial words of the partial query in the same order, or may be determined using any other criteria.

[0024] Optionally, alternative queries may also be determined at 230. Alternative queries may include any query that matches the partial query but is not selected as the reconstructed full query. For example, the partial query "b" may be reconstructed as the query "basketball" while the query "baseball" may be determined to be an alternative

query. The alternative queries may include any full queries that match the partial words of the partial query in a different order. The received partial query may also be designated as an alternative query.

[0025] Finally, a search may be performed using the reconstructed query at 240, and the results may be provided to the user at 250. Optionally, the alternative queries may also be provided to the user. For example, a list of hyperlinks may be provided that allow the user to submit a search using the alternative query. The list may also include the initially received partial query to allow the user to perform a search using the original partial query. The system may limit the number of alternative queries that are provided to the user, such as providing four or five alternative queries.

[0026] Another exemplary architecture for providing search results is shown in FIG. 3. The architecture 300 may include a user client system 110, a search engine server 120, and a database 130, similar to those described above in reference to FIG. 1. The search engine server 120 may include a query reconstruction server 310, a query data management server 320, and a search engine 330. The query reconstruction server 310 may reconstruct a full query from a partial query submitted via the client system 110. The reconstructed query may then be provided to the search engine 330. The query reconstruction server 310 may also determine alternative queries and cause the alternative queries to be provided to the user client system 110.

[0027] Query data management server 320 may analyze historic query data. For example, the query data management server 320 may retrieve historic query data, analyze or filter the data, and generate data structures for later use in reconstructing the query. In one implementation, the query management server 320 may create query indexes that are provided to the query reconstruction server 310 for use in reconstructing the query. Other data structures may also be used.

[0028] A flow chart of an exemplary method for building query indexes is shown in FIG. 4. Initially, query data may be retrieved from a database of query data. The query data may include previously submitted queries. For example, query data representative of previously submitted queries to the Yahoo! Search Engine may be retrieved. The query data may also include frequency counts representative of the number of times the query has been submitted. Alternatively, or additionally, the query data may include weights that are calculated using the frequency data. For example, a weight for a particular query

may be calculated by multiplying a constant value by the negative logarithm of the ratio of the frequency for the particular query to the highest frequency for all queries. Other methods of calculating a weight may also be used. The search query data may be retrieved periodically, such as once a day, once a week, or the like. Optionally, query data from multiple sources may be retrieved and consolidated by the system.

[0029] Next, the retrieved query data may be filtered. First, the most popular queries from the retrieved queries may be selected at 420. For example, the top million queries may be selected. Other amounts and criteria may also be used to filter the query data. The system may also filter the query data for controversial or objectionable queries at 430. For example, queries containing sexually explicit terms may be removed. Misspelled queries may also be removed. Alternatively, misspelled queries may be corrected. The system may also remove queries that are determined to be improper for other reasons, such as non-human submitted queries and the like. Other criteria for filtering the query data may also be used.

[0030] Finally, the system may construct indexes from the filtered query data at 440. In one implementation, the filtered queries may be split into different groups based on number of words in the query. Indexes may then be created for each query group. Exemplary one-word, two-word, and three-word indexes are shown in FIGS. 5, 6, and 7, respectively, described in more detail below. The index files may then be transmitted to the query reconstruction server 310, which may utilize the indexes to reconstruct the partial queries.

[0031] An exemplary one-word index 500 is shown in FIG. 5. The index may include a query 510 and a frequency 520 for each filtered query. The query may act as a key for the index and may be represented by a hash value based on the actual query. For example, the index may include hash values and weights for the single word queries "weather," "maps," and "game." Assuming the system receives a partial query of "w," the system may determine which single word queries match the reconstruction pattern for "w," and select "weather" as the only potential match. The reconstructed query "weather" may then be submitted to a search engine. If additional matches are found, however, the system may then select the matching query with the largest weight as the reconstructed query. Optionally, the system may designate certain remaining matching queries as

alternative queries, and provide a list of those alternative queries to the user with the search results.

[0032] An exemplary two-word index 600 is shown in FIG. 6. Two-word indexes may include a set of two sub-indexes. The first sub-index, referred to herein as the second word sub-index 625, may include a second word hash value 630 representative of all words that appear as the second word in the two word filtered query. The second word hash value 630 may act as a key for the second word sub-index, may also include corresponding values 640 representative of each potential first word that precedes the second word in the filtered two-word query. For example, the query "American Idol" may be represented as in the second word hash as the key-value pair "idol=American," while the queries "auto insurance" and "health insurance" may be represented in the second word sub-index 625 as the key-value pair of "insurance=auto,health."

[0033] Another sub-index, referred to herein as the first-word sub-index 605, may include hash values representative of the full two-word queries 610 along with their weight 620, similar to the one-word index described above. For example, the system may receive a partial query "a i" and determine potential matches from the second word sub-index of "idol," "insurance," and "ipod" by retrieving each value corresponding to the matching key. Each potential two-word query based on the partial matches may then be used to search the full query-hash 605. For example, the system may determine potential matches of "American Idol™," "auto insurance," "health insurance," and "Apple iPod™," based on the second word sub-index, and also determine that "health insurance" does not match based on the first word of the partial query "a i." The system may also determine a full query match by determining if the first word of the full query matches the first partial word of the partial query. The system may then retrieve weights 620 for each matching full query 610 from the first word sub-index 605.

[0034] The system may then select the most popular query from among the matching queries as the reconstructed query, and optionally provide the remaining matches, or a subset of those remaining matches, as alternative queries. For instance, "Apple iPod™," may have the largest weight and may be selected as the reconstructed query for submission to the search engine. The results may be provided to the user along with hyperlinks that enable the user to perform searches on the alternative queries "American Idol™," and "auto insurance."

[0035] An exemplary three-word index is shown in FIG. 7. The three-word index 700 may include three sub-indexes: a third word sub-index 745, a second word sub-index 725, and a first word query index 705. Similar to the second word sub-index 625 of the two-word index 600 described above, the third word sub-indexes 745 of the three-word index 700 may include keys 750 representative of hashed values based on the third word in the full query, and values 760 representative of list of potential second words. The second word sub-index 725 may include keys 730 representative of hashed values based on the second and third words in the query, and values 740 representative of list of potential first words. Finally, the first word sub-index 705 may include keys 710 representative of hashed values based on the three word query and values 720 representative of weights associated with each query. Using the index 700 shown in FIG. 7, the system may reconstruct the query "world cup soccer" from a partial query "w c s."

[0036] Additional indexes, such as four word or five word indexes may also be created by the system in a similar fashion. Alternatively, or additionally, the system may treat the last n words of queries containing more than a specified number of words as a single word. For example, the four word query "world cup soccer schedule" may be treated by the system as a three word query with a third word "soccer schedule". Because the number of such queries is small in comparison to the one and two word queries, placing them in a single group reduces the number of indexes which need to be managed without substantially affecting the performance of the reconstruction process. Alternatively, or additionally, the system may condense queries containing more than a specified number of terms. In condensing a query, the system may remove stop words from the query. Other methods of configuring the indexes and treating multi-word queries may also be used.

[0037] It is therefore intended that the foregoing detailed description be regarded as illustrative rather than limiting, and that it be understood that it is the following claims, including all equivalents, that are intended to define the spirit and scope of this invention.

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In re Appln. of: Deepa Joshi

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH
 QUERY

Attorney Docket No.: 12729-796 (Y01651US03)

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Prior application information: Examiner: Thai, Hanh B. Art Unit: 2163

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This application claims priority under 35 USC §120 to the following United States patent applications: 12/765,676 and 11/502,202. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the references cited herein which were submitted to, or cited by, the office, in compliance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)-(c) in the earlier application are not provided herewith. The Examiner is directed to those references cited in all Information Disclosure Statements filed in the priority United States patent applications cited above in addition to the references cited herein.

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APPLICANTS Deepa Joshi, Santa Clara, CA; ** CONTINUING DATA ***** This application is a CON of 12/765,676 04/22/2010 PAT 8,046,347 * which is a CON of 11/502,202 08/10/2006 PAT 7,716,201 (*)Data provided by applicant is not consistent with PTO records. ** FOREIGN APPLICATIONS ***** ** IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED ** 10/25/2011						
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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 October 2011.

2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.

3) ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on ____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.

4) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.

5a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

6) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.

7) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.

8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.

9) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

10) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

11) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 October 2011 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:

1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.

3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>10/11/11</u> .	4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____. 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application 6) ☐ Other: _____.
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This is Non-Final Office Action in response to application filed on October 11, 2011 in which claims 1-18 are presented for examination.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on April 22, 2010 have been considered and entered into record. A copy of initialed or signed IDS is hereby attached.

Double Patenting

3. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the “right to exclude” granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned

with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

4. Claims 1-18 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1-18 of U.S. Patent No. 8,046,347 and claims 1-2, 7, 9 and 10 of U. S. Patent No. 7,716,201 since the claims, if allowed, would improperly extend the "right to exclude" already granted in the patent.

The subject matter claimed in the instant application is fully disclosed in the patent and is covered by the patent since the patent and the application are claiming common subject matter, as follows.

The following table shows the claims in '933 that are rejected by corresponding claims in '347 and '201

Claims Comparison Table:

	'933	'347	'201
Claims	1-7	1-8	1-5
	8-14	9-12	6-9
	15-18	13-18	10-14

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<p>Claim 1. A computer database system for providing search results to a user in response to user submissions over a data network, the computer database system comprising:</p> <p><i>a database configured to store information about events in the computer database system; and a query reconstruction server in data communication with the database and operative to receive a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user seeking search results matching the submitted partial query and, in response to the received partial query, determine a full query based on (i) the received partial query, and(ii) information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users, wherein the submitted partial query comprises an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user and the full query is better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.</i></p>	<p>Claim 1 . A computer implemented method comprising:</p> <p><i>receiving at a server a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user seeking search results related to the submitted partial query, the partial query comprising one or more partial words forming an abbreviated or incomplete search query;</i></p> <p><i>storing information based on previously submitted queries received at the server;</i></p> <p><i>determining at the server a full query as the most frequently submitted, previously-submitted query received at the server that matches the partial words of the partial query; and</i></p> <p><i>at the server, submitting the full query to a search engine as a request for search results desired by the user;</i></p> <p><i>receiving, at the server, search results from the search engine that match the full query; and</i></p> <p><i>from the server, presenting the received search results to the user.</i></p>	<p>Claim 1 . A method for providing search results to a user, comprising:</p> <p><i>receiving at a server a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user seeking search results matching the submitted partial query, the partial query comprising an abbreviated or incomplete search query such that the submitted query is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user;</i></p> <p><i>at the server, comparing the received partial query to an index built using previously-submitted queries received at the server, the index including weights for each of the previously-submitted queries reflecting the number of times a respective query was submitted; based on the comparison to the index and the weights, determining at the server a full query as the most frequently submitted, previously-submitted query that matches the partial words of the partial query in matching order;</i></p> <p><i>at the server, submitting the full query to a search engine as a request for search results desired by the user;</i></p> <p><i>receiving, at the server, results from the search engine that match the partial query submitted by the user as if the full query had been submitted to the search engine by the user; and</i></p> <p><i>from the server, presenting the results to the user .</i></p>
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Regarding claims 1, 8 and 15 of the '933 application, these claims are directed toward the same subject matter as claims 1 and 9 of the '201 and '347 patent, except that the "submitted queries received at the server" have been omitted. In fact, "an index built using previously-submitted queries received at the server" in claims 1 and 9 is considered same meaning as "*a query reconstruction server in data communication with the database and operative to receive a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user*". Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because it would have been *prima facie* obvious to one with ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to match the partial words of the partial query by comparing the index and the weights. The motivation would have been to accommodate an obvious need.

Regarding claims 2-18, these claims map directly other claims of the '201 and 347 patents as set forth above.

Furthermore, there is no apparent reason why applicant was prevented from presenting claims corresponding to those of the instant application during prosecution of the application which matured into a patent. See *In re Schneller*, 397 F.2d 350, 158 USPQ 210 (CCPA 1968). See also MPEP § 804.

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HANH B. THAI whose telephone number is (571)272-4029. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur (7:00AM - 4:30 PM).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Don Wong can be reached on 571-272-1834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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December 15, 2011

/Hanh B Thai/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2163

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	)	
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2012, please amend the application as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A computer database system for providing search results to a user in response to user submissions over a data network, the computer database system comprising:
a database configured to store information about events in the computer database system;
and
a query reconstruction server in data communication with the database and operative to receive a partial query submitted at a remote user client system by a user seeking search results matching the submitted partial query and, in response to the received partial query, determine a full query based on
 - (i) the received partial query, and
 - (ii) information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users,wherein the submitted partial query comprises an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user and the full query is better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.
2. (Original) The computer database system of claim 1 wherein the query reconstruction server is further operative to determine as the full query the most frequently submitted, previously-submitted query that matches partial words of the partial query.
3. (Original) The computer database system of claim 2 further comprising:
a web server operative to receive search results produced by a search engine and deliver web pages that include the received search results to a browser of the user.

4. (Original) The computer database system of claim 1 further comprising:
a query data management server in data communication with the query reconstruction server and the database, the query data management server being operative to provide to the query reconstruction server the information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users.
5. (Original) The computer database system of claim 4 wherein the query data management server is further configured to:
retrieve from the database historical query data relating to a plurality of previously submitted search queries;
build a query index based on the historical query data;
store the query index in the database; and
provide the query index to the query reconstruction server.
6. (Original) The computer database system of claim 4 wherein the query data management server is further configured to:
retrieve from the database information about queries previously submitted to the computer database system;
filter the retrieved information about the queries; and
construct one or more indexes from the filtered query information,
the query data management server providing the constructed indexes to the query reconstruction server for use as the information stored in the database about queries previously-submitted by users when the query reconstruction server determines the full query.
7. (Original) The computer database system of claim 6 wherein the query data management server is configured to select, as the filtered query information, most popular queries from the retrieved information about queries previously submitted.
8. (Original) A computer implemented method for a computer database system, the method comprising:

storing in memory data about previously received queries at the computer database system;
at a server, retrieving selected data from the memory including query data representative of previously submitted queries and information based on frequency counts for the respective previously submitted queries;
at the server, constructing indexes using the retrieved selected data;
receiving at the server a partial query submitted by a user at a remote user client system, the submitted partial query including an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user; and
at the server, using the indexes to determine a full query corresponding to the submitted partial query, the full query being better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 further comprising communicating the full query from the server to a search engine for subsequent processing of the full query.

10. (Original) The method of claim 8 further comprising:
submitting the full query from the server to a search engine;
receiving search results at the server from the search engine; and
communicating a web page including at least some of the search results from the server to the user.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 further comprising:
at the server, using the indexes to determine one or more alternative queries that match the submitted partial query,
and wherein communicating the web page comprises communicating a web page including at least some of the one or more alternative queries.

12. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein receiving the partial query comprises interpreting the submitted partial query as a series of words separated by delimiters.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising:

at the server, interpreting each word of the received partial query as a partial word of the entire search query desired by the user; and
using the indexes, determining a full query that matches the partial words specified in the partial query.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein determining a full query comprises determining the full query that is the most frequently submitted known query, as defined by the indexes, that matches the partial words of the received partial query in the same order.

15. (Original) A computer implemented method for a computer database system, the method comprising:

storing in memory data about previously received queries at the computer database system, the stored data including respective received queries and respective weight values determined based on receipt frequency of the respective received queries;

receiving at a server of the computer database system a partial query submitted by a user at a remote user client system, the submitted partial query including an abbreviated or incomplete search query which is not fully representative of an entire search query desired by the user;

at the server, interpreting each word of the received partial query as a partial word of the entire search query desired by the user; and

at the server, identifying in the memory previously received queries that match the partial words specified in the partial query;

at the server, selecting as a full query a matching query which is most popular based on the weight values, the full query being better representative of the entire search query desired by the user.

16. (Original) The method of claim 15 further comprising:

submitting the full query from the server to a search engine;
receiving search results at the server from the search engine; and
communicating a web page including at least some of the search results from the server
to the user.

17. (Original) The method of claim 16 further comprising:

at the server, based on the weights, determining one or more alternative queries that
match the submitted partial query,
and wherein communicating the web page comprises communicating a web page
including at least some of the one or more alternative queries.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein communicating the web page comprises
communicating a web page with one or more hyperlinks corresponding to the one or more
alternative queries, the hyperlinks being selectable by the user viewing the web page to select on
of the one or more alternative queries.

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION OVER A PRIOR PATENT	Docket Number (Optional) 12729-796 (Y01651US03)								
<p>In re Application of: Deepa Joshi, et al.</p> <p>Application No. 13/270,933</p> <p>Filed: October 11, 2011</p> <p>For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONSTRUCTING A SEARCH QUERY</p> <p>The owner*, <u>Yahoo! Inc.</u>, of <u>one hundred</u> percent interest in the instant application hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of prior Patent Nos. <u>8,046,347</u> and <u>7,716,201</u>. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.</p> <p>In making the above disclaimer, the owner does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend to the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173 of the prior patent, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, in the event that it later: expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR 1.321, has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued, or is in any manner terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer.</p> <p>Check either box 1 or 2 below, if appropriate.</p> <p>1. ☐ For submissions on behalf of a business/organization (e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.), the undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of the business/ organization.</p> <p>I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.</p> <p>2. ☒ The undersigned is an attorney of record. Registration No. <u>37,218</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">/John G. Rauch/</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">April 2, 2012</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Signature</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Date</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">John G. Rauch</td> <td style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">312 321 4200</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Typed or Printed Name</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Telephone No.</td> </tr> </table> <p>☒ Terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR 1.20(d) is included.</p> <p>☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p>☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p>☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.</p> <p style="font-size: small;">* Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is required if terminal disclaimer is signed by the assignee (owner). Form PTO/SB/96 may be used for making this certification. See MPEP § 324.</p>		/John G. Rauch/	April 2, 2012	Signature	Date	John G. Rauch	312 321 4200	Typed or Printed Name	Telephone No.
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REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application including claims 1-18 are respectfully requested.

Obviousness-type double patenting rejection

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-18 of US patent number 8,046,347 and claims 1-2, 7, 9 and 10 of US patent number 7,716,201. According to the Office Action at page 2, a timely filed terminal disclaimer may be used to overcome the rejection based on nonstatutory double patenting provided the conflicting patents are commonly owned.

A Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection over a Prior Patent is filed herewith relative to conflicting US patent nos. 8,046,347 and 7,716,201. The conflicting patents and the present application are commonly owned by virtue of an assignment recorded on August 10, 2006 at reel 018162 frame 0139.

There being no prior art rejections or other rejections, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

With this response, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the examiner deem a telephone conference to be of assistance in advancing the application to allowance, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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	HANH THAI	2163	

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment 4/2/12.
2. ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on ____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
3. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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/Hanh B Thai/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2163	
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to amendment filed on April 2, 2012. Claims 1-18 are pending in this application.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-18 are allowed over the prior art of record.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

This case is allowed in light of the Terminal Disclaimer filed on April 2, 2012.

Regarding independent claims 1, 8 and 15, the prior art fails to disclose or suggest the claimed provision "determine a full query based on the received partial query and information stored in the database about queries previously submitted by users" as claimed in conjunction with remaining claims provisions.

4. The dependent claims, being further limiting to the independent claims, definite and enabled by the Specification are also allowed.

Comments

5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to Applicant's disclosure.

Point of Contact

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tony Mahmoudi can be reached on 571-272-4078. 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 2163

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May 17, 2012	(Date)

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The Patent Term Adjustment is 0 day(s). Any patent to issue from the above-identified application will include an indication of the adjustment on the front page.

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APPLICANT(s) (Please see PAIR WEB site <http://pair.uspto.gov> for additional applicants):

Deepa Joshi, Santa Clara, CA;

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00089	DATE FILED 1/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Samsung Electronics America, Inc.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,307,029	11/6/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,610,277	10/27/2009	R2 Solutions LLC
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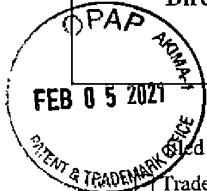
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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00090	DATE FILED 1/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Deezer S.A.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
4 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
5 9,928,279	3/27/2018	R2 Solutions LLC

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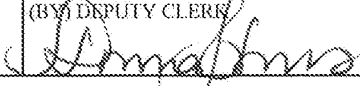
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PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Samsung Electronics America, Inc.
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DECISION/JUDGEMENT ORDER OF DISMISSAL. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that all claims by and between R2 Solutions and Samsung are hereby DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE, with each party to bear its own costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees. All relief not previously granted is hereby denied. The Clerk is directed to close this civil action. Signed by District Judge Amos L. Mazzant, III on 6/16/2021.
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CLERK David A. D'Poole	(BY) DEPUTY CLERK 	DATE 6/16/21
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DOCKET NO. 6:21-cv-00997	DATE FILED 9/28/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Western District of Texas, Waco Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Roku, Inc.
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PLAINTIFF	DEFENDANT
R2 Solutions LLC	Roku, Inc.

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8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
7,860,878	12/28/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
8,862,610	10/14/2014	R2 Solutions LLC
8,442,929	5/14/2013	R2 Solutions LLC
8,903,778	12/2/2014	R2 Solutions LLC
9,805,097	10/31/2017	R2 Solutions LLC

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00944	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEPENDANT Agoda Company Pte. Ltd.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
4 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00945	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEPENDANT Redfin Corporation
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
3 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
4 8,862,610	10/14/2014	R2 Solutions LLC
5 9,805,097	10/31/2017	R2 Solutions LLC

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00942	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEPENDANT Booking.com B.V.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00943	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEPENDANT Booking.com Transport Limited
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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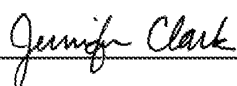
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00353	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT American Airlines, Inc.
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1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00357	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Citigroup Inc.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
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2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
4 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
5 7,370,011	5/6/2008	R2 Solutions LLC

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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00356	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.; and Hilton International Holding LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00354	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT CVS Health Corporation; and CVS Pharmacy, Inc.,
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00356	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc.; and Hilton International Holding LLC
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00353	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT American Airlines, Inc.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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DOCKET NO. 4:22-cv-00357	DATE FILED 4/28/2022	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Citigroup Inc.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
4 8,209,317	6/26/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
5 7,370,011	5/6/2008	R2 Solutions LLC

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00944	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Agoda Company Pte. Ltd.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
2 8,341,157	12/25/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
3 7,698,329	4/13/2010	R2 Solutions LLC
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DECISION/JUDGEMENT The Court is of the opinion that the Joint Stipulation of Dismissal should be, in all respects, GRANTED. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that all claims by and between R2 and Agoda Company Pte. Ltd. in the above-captioned action are hereby DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00943	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Booking.com Transport Limited
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 8,190,610	5/29/2012	R2 Solutions LLC
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In the above—entitled case, the following decision has been rendered or judgement issued:

DECISION/JUDGEMENT The Joint Stipulation of Dismissal should be, in all respects, GRANTED. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that all claims by and between R2 and Booking.com Transport Limited (“Rentalcars.com”) in the above-captioned action are hereby DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE

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DOCKET NO. 4:21-cv-00942	DATE FILED 11/29/2021	U.S. DISTRICT COURT Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division
PLAINTIFF R2 Solutions LLC		DEFENDANT Booking.com B.V.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
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DECISION/JUDGEMENT ORDER OF DISMISSAL. IT IS ORDERED that all claims by and between R2 and Booking.com in the above-captioned action are hereby DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.

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