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[54] METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GUIDED TOURING OF INTERNET/INTRANET WEBSITES

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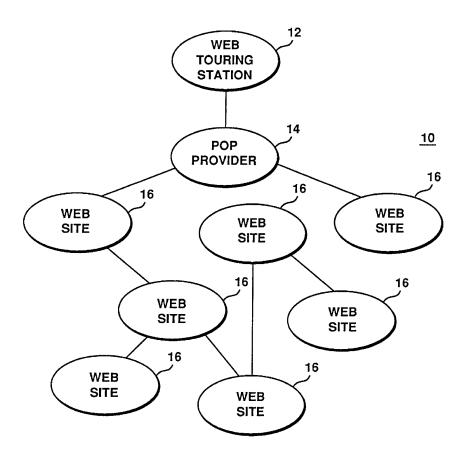
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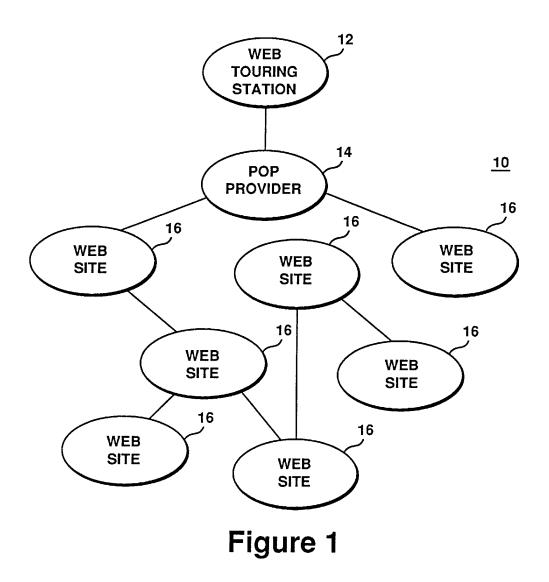
[57] ABSTRACT

The present invention for guided touring of websites includes a web tour director programmed onto a web server for connecting a client system to a number of web sites in accordance with a web tour stop vector identifying the web sites as tour stops of a web guided tour. The present invention further includes a media rendering function also programmed onto the web server for rendering on the client system, one or more corresponding media for each of the web sites, for at least a portion of the time while the web site is connected to the client system.

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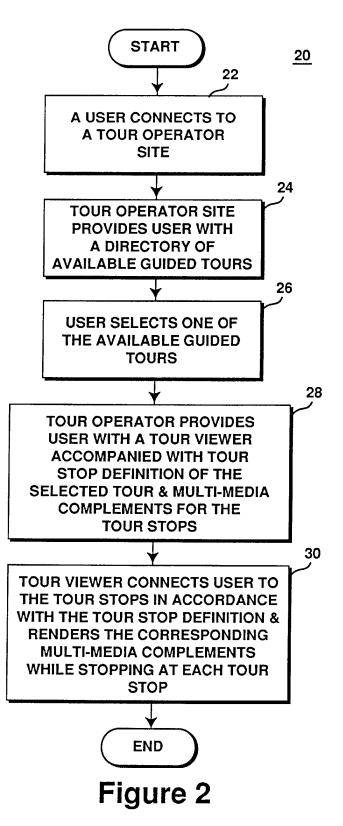


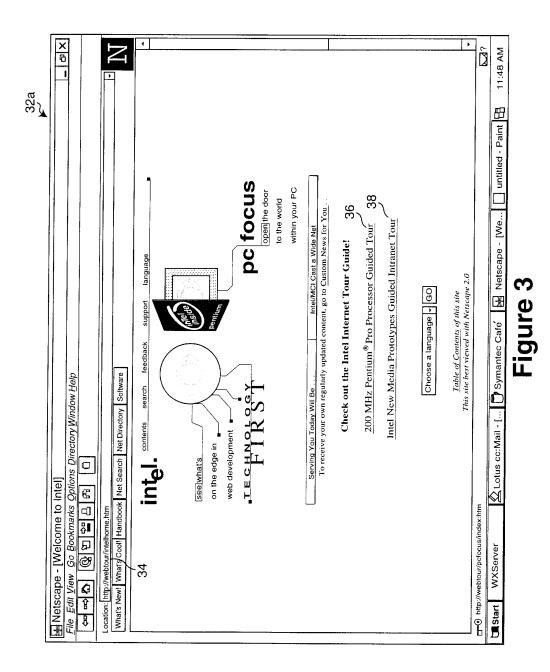
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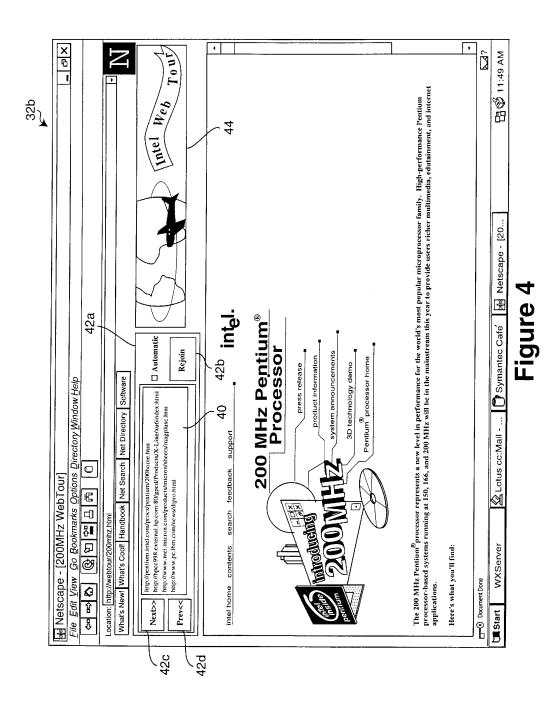
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