Exhibit A



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(54) DYNAMIC LEARNING FOR NAVIGATION SYSTEMS

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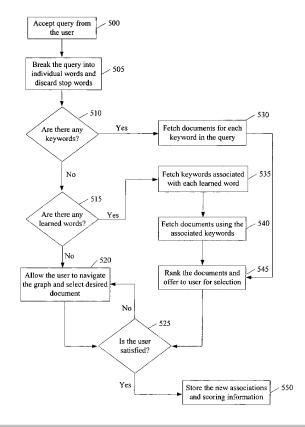
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(57) ABSTRACT

A method performed in a system involves, at a node within the system, receiving an input from a user, determining that the input contains an unknown word, presenting at least one response to the user, and based upon at least one additional input from the user, learning one or more associations for the unknown word.

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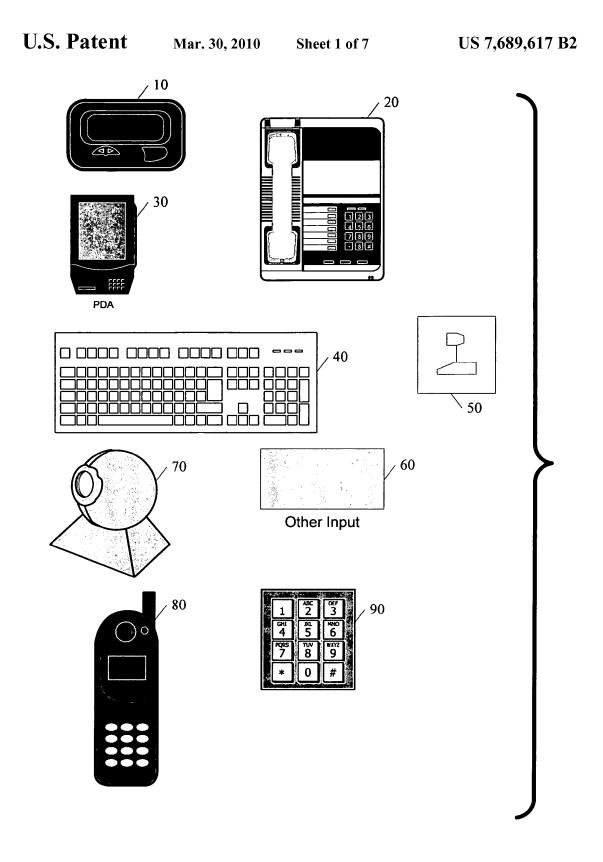


FIG. 1

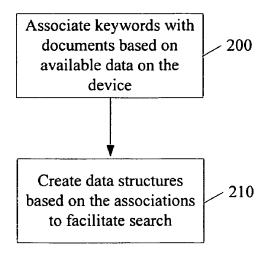


FIG. 2

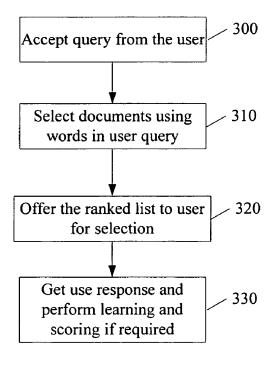


FIG. 3



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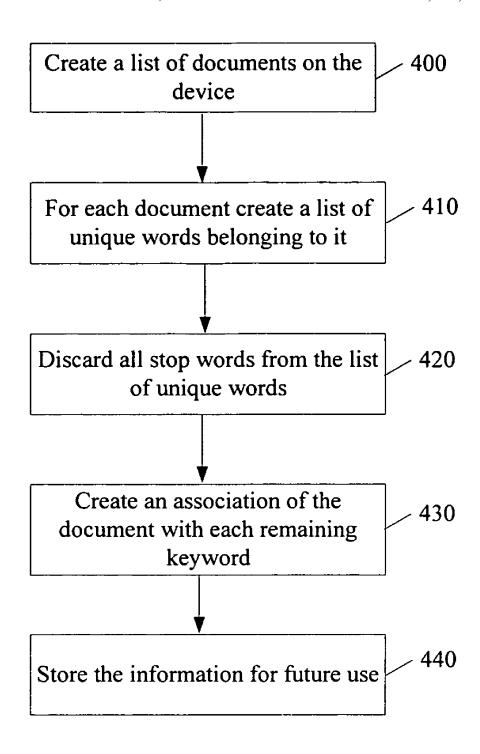


FIG. 4



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