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(54) **DOWNLOADABLE SMART PROXIES FOR PERFORMING PROCESSING ASSOCIATED WITH A REMOTE PROCEDURE CALL IN A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM**

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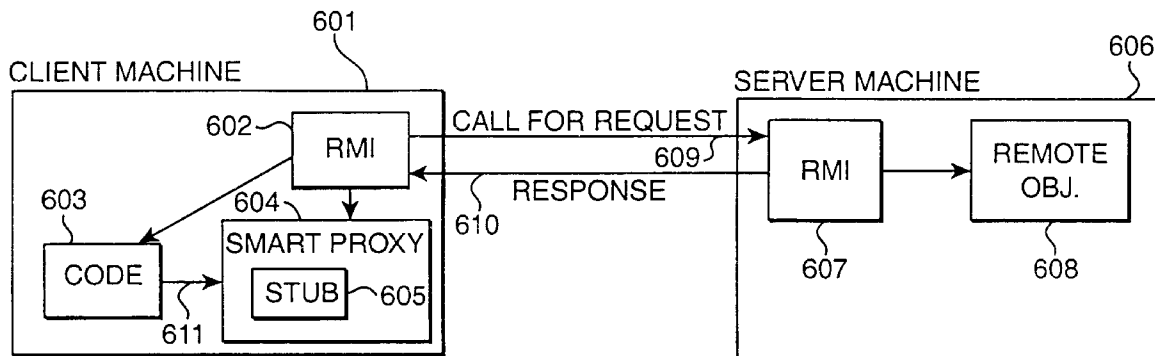
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Use of a smart proxy as a wrapper around a stub in a distributed system. Instead of receiving a stub as a result of a remote procedure call, a caller receives a smart proxy including the stub as an embedded object. The smart proxy performs predefined processing associated with a remote procedure call, the processing possibly occurring before, during, or after a response to the call.

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