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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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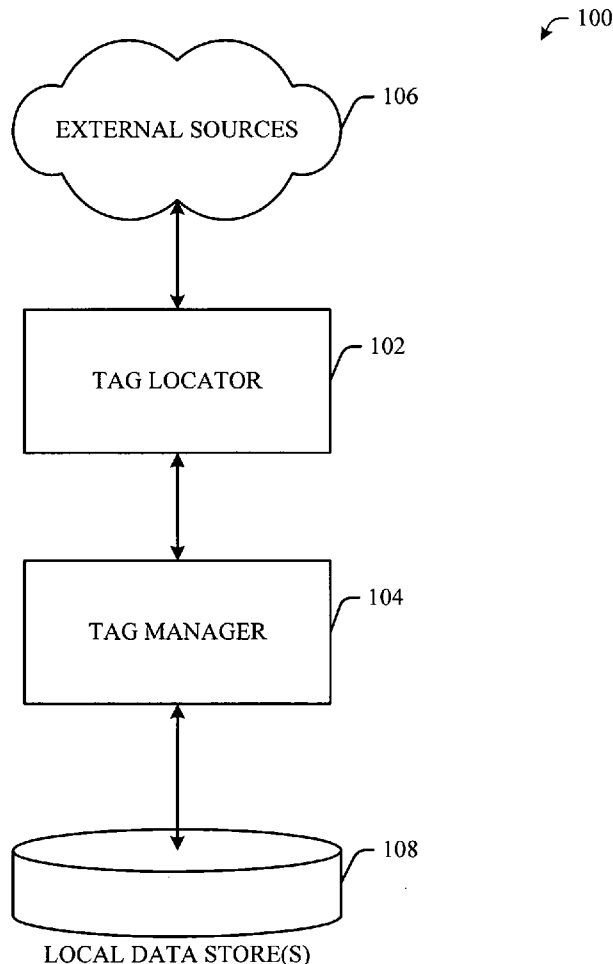
A tag management system that enables consolidation, aggregation and/or synchronization of tags between local and remote sources. Further, the system provides users with a single rich view of client and Internet data related to appropriate tagging schemes. The system allows users to import and export tags and taxonomies from online service providers and provides a central location for users to store their tags. The central location is accessible to the user both on the client and for use online.

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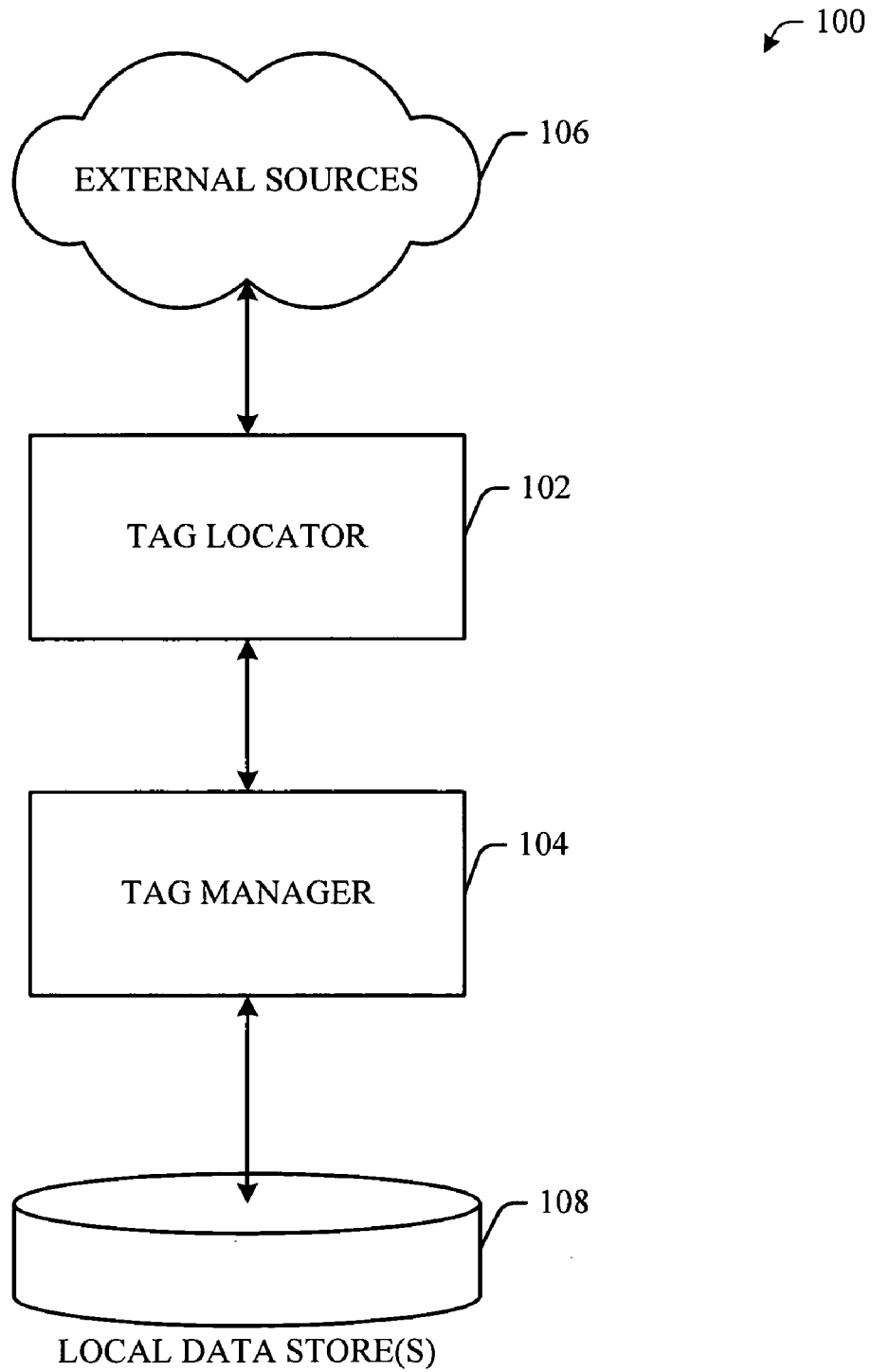


FIG. 1

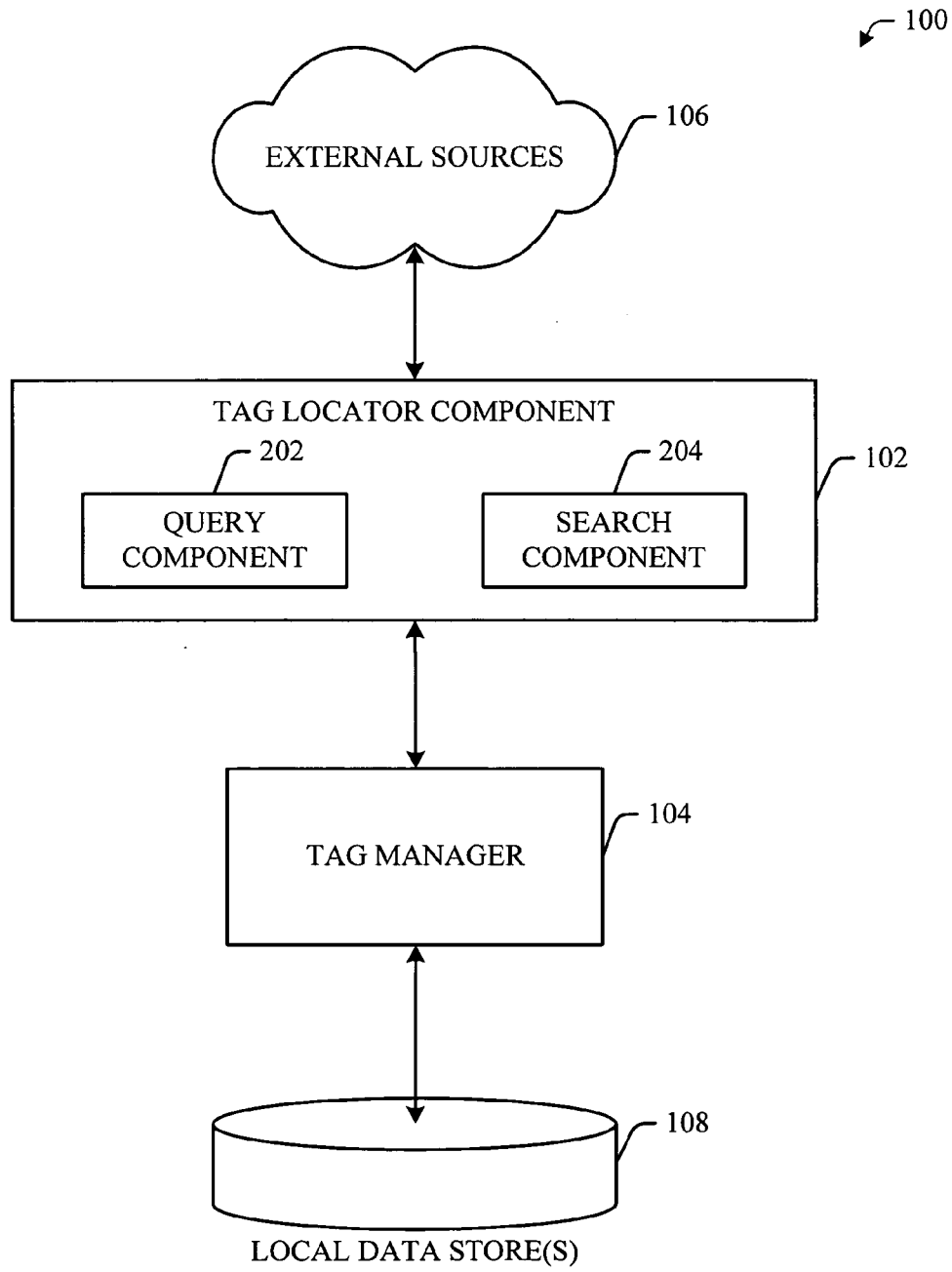


FIG. 2

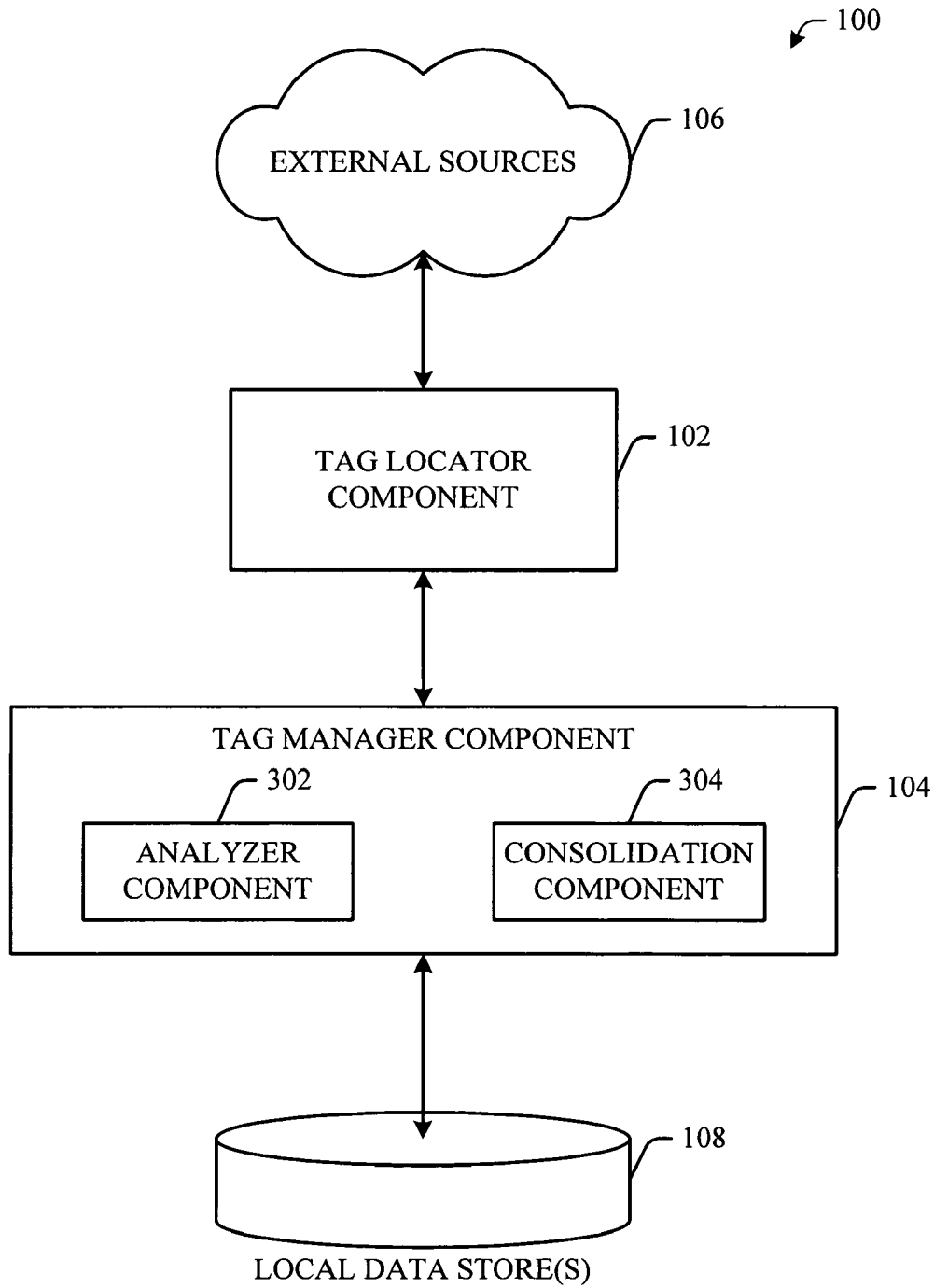


FIG. 3

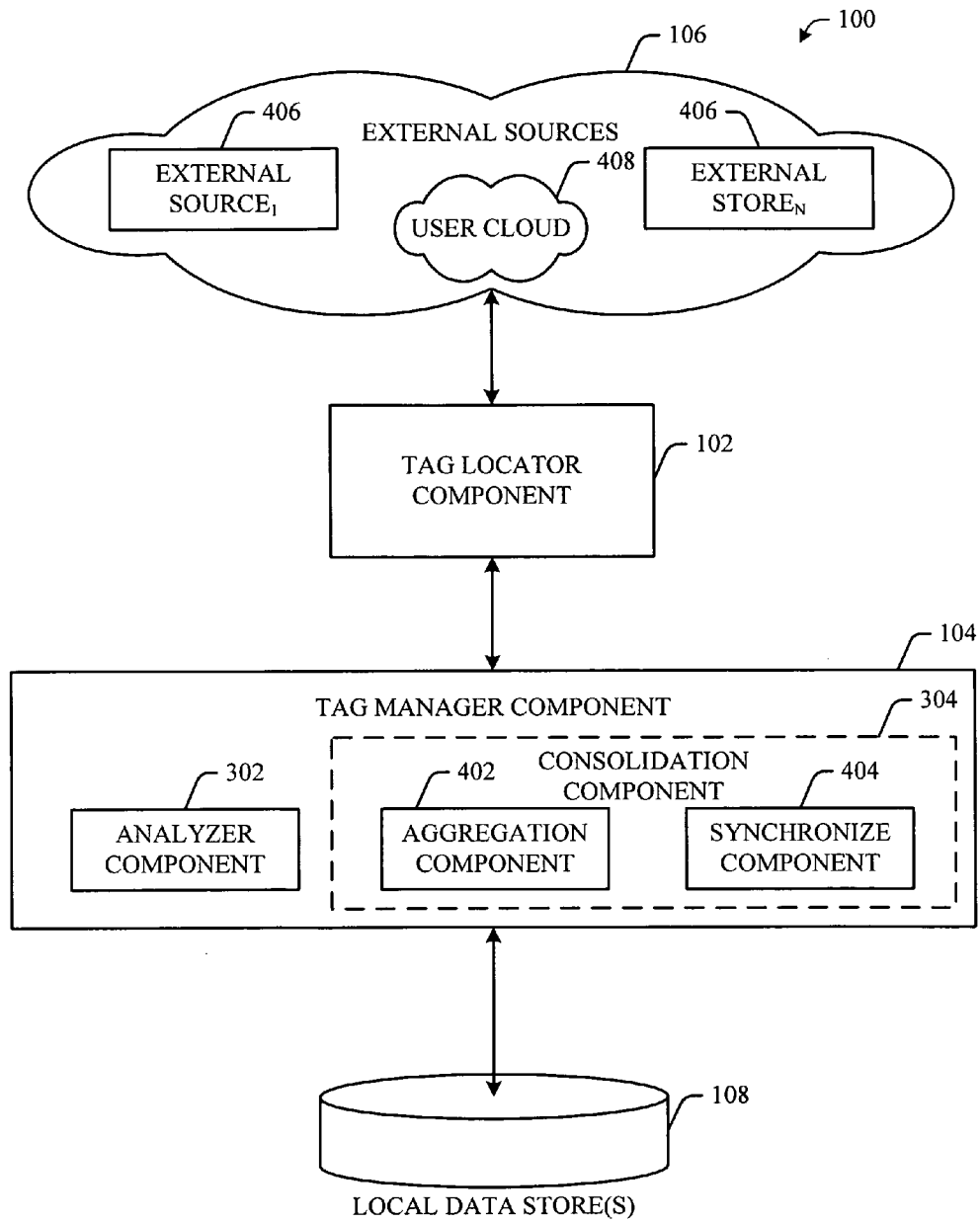


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