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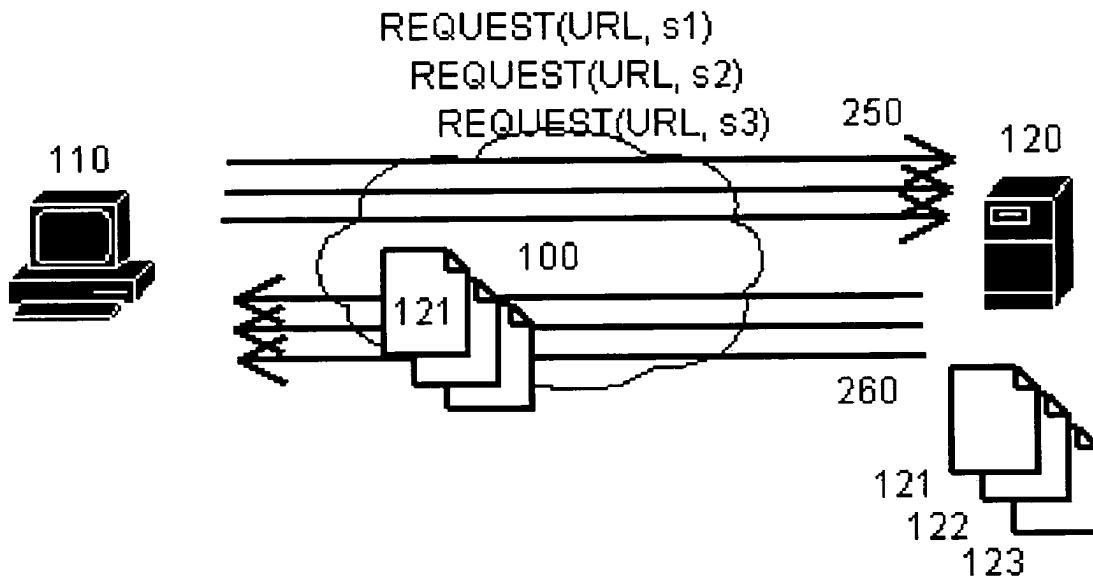
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present invention is directed to mechanisms for improving the "crawling" of resources on a network, which takes into account the notion of browser state. An improved indexing scheme for the crawled results and improved search mechanisms are also disclosed.

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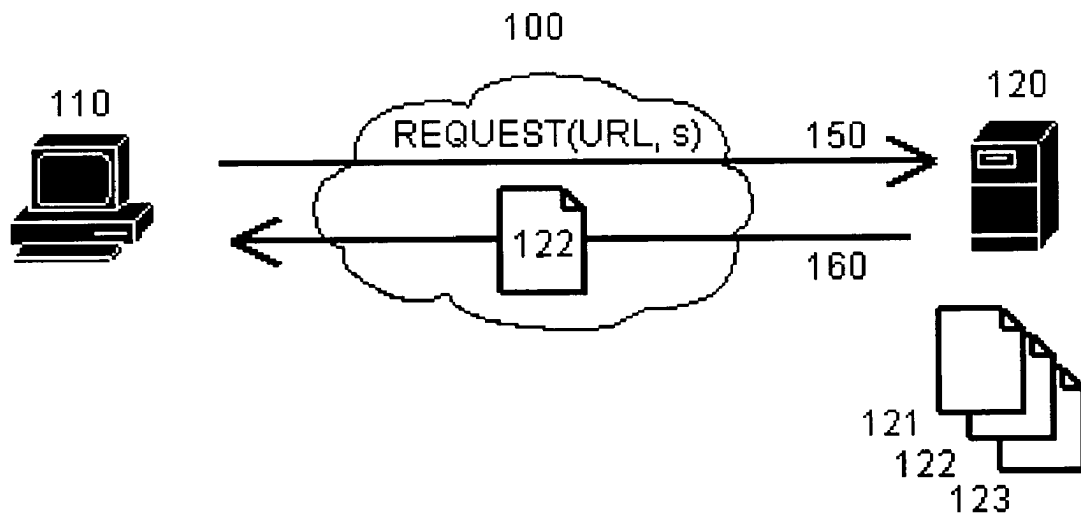


FIG. 1
(PRIOR ART)

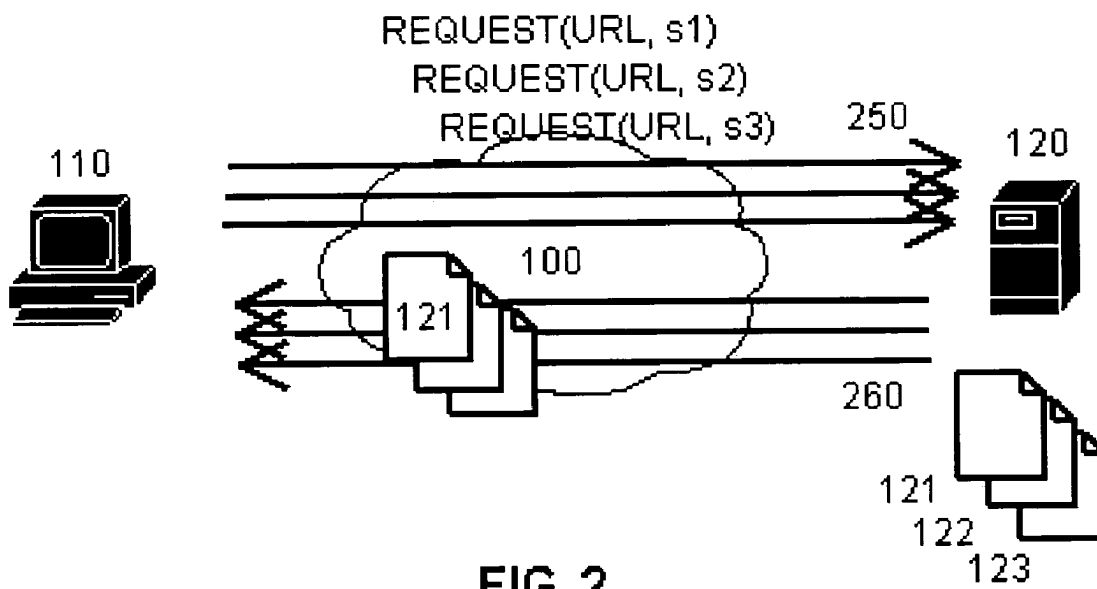


FIG. 2

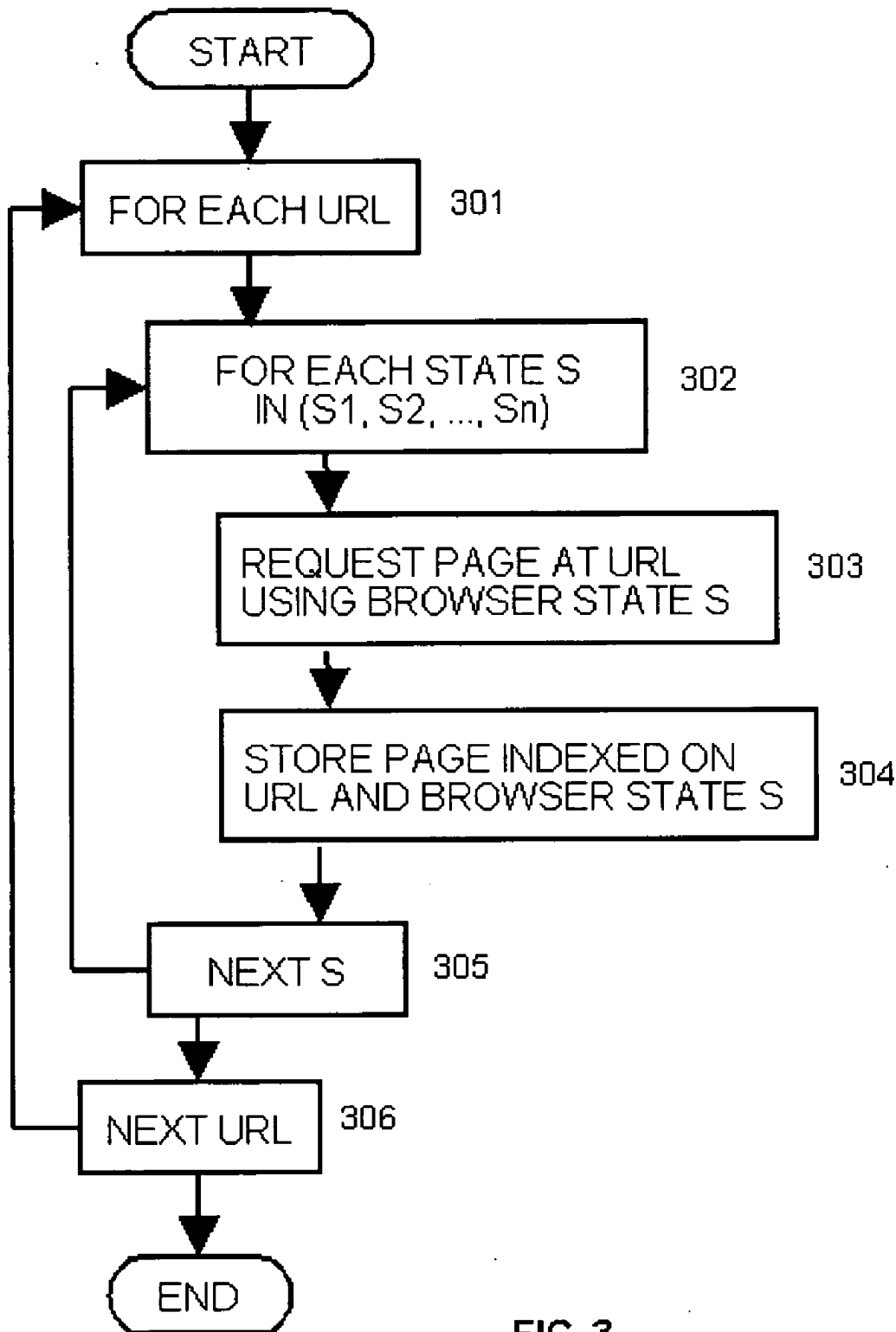


FIG. 3

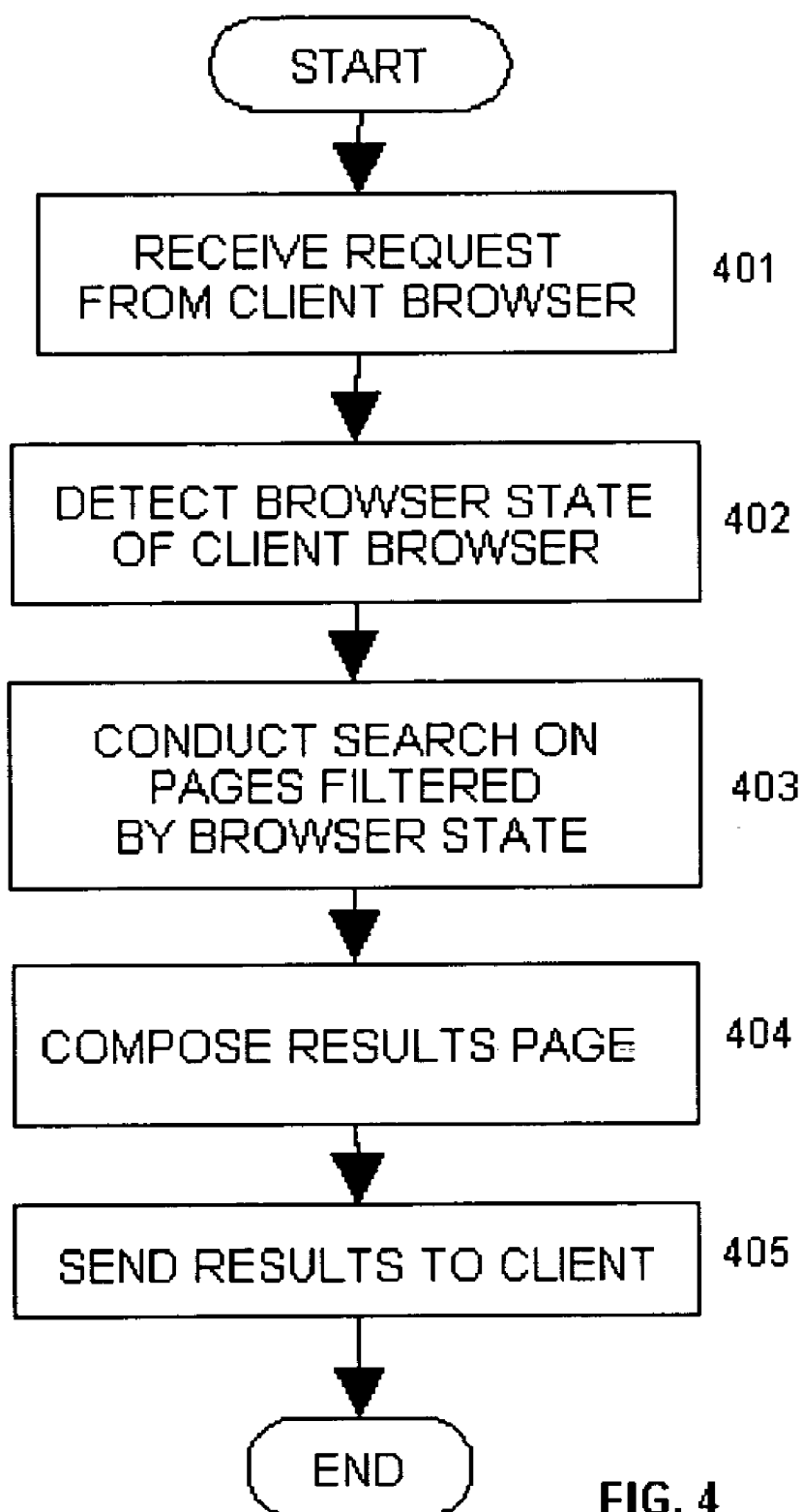


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