

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATED DISTINGUISHED NAME LOCKUP

ABSTRACT

A method and system for an automated distinguished name lookup is provided for use in a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) directory operation. A user provides input via a dialog window for an identifier string which is not a distinguished name. A directory search is requested using a LDAP search filter string (456) that contains at least a portion of the identifier string. In response to the requested directory search, one or more distinguished names are received (438). If a single a distinguished name is received, the received distinguished is automatically applied in the LDAP directory operation (462). If a plurality of distinguished names are received, the plurality of distinguished names are presented to the user (466), and the user may select one of the plurality of distinguished names (468). The selected distinguished name is then applied in the LDAP directory operation (462), which may perform an authentication process for the user using a distinguished name received in response to the requested directory search.

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