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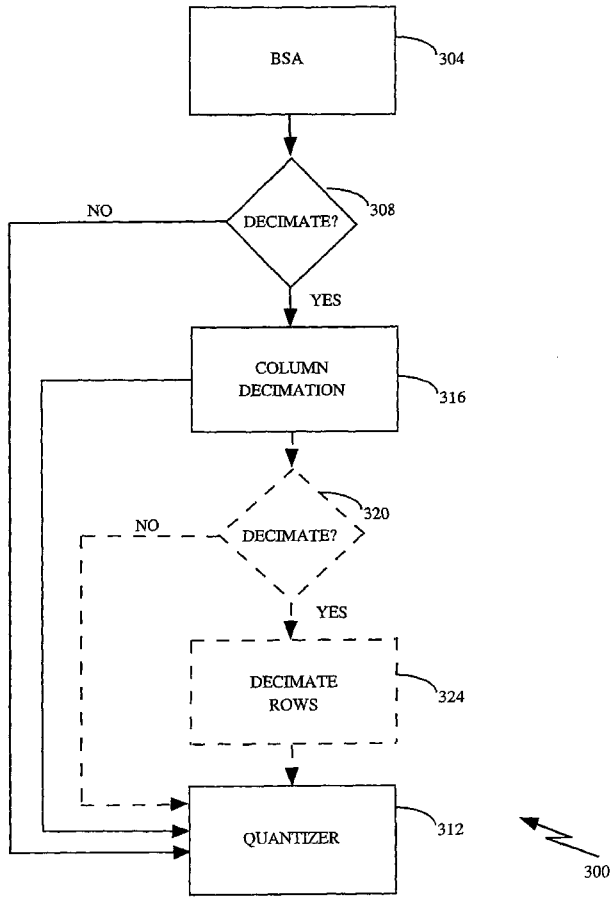
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(54) Title: SELECTIVE CHROMINANCE DECIMATION FOR DIGITAL IMAGES



(57) Abstract: A method of decimation of a digital image, the digital image represented by a plurality of pixels, is claimed. In the pixel domain, the digital image is divided into a plurality of blocks (304). Certain ones of the blocks are selectively decimated based upon predetermined criteria (320). In an embodiment, the chrominance portions of a given pixel block are decimated.

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