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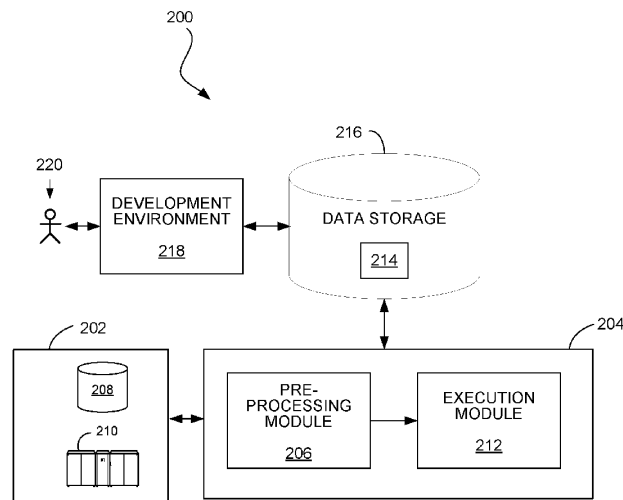


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A method for processing state update requests in a distributed data processing system includes processing a set of state update requests associated with a first time interval including maintaining a count of issued state update requests for the set of state update requests, maintaining a count of state updates performed for the first set of state update requests, and updating a state consistency indicator to indicate that state updates associated with all state update requests of the first set of state update requests have been performed in response to determining that the count of state updates performed for the first set of state update requests equals the count of issued state update requests for the first set of state update requests.

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