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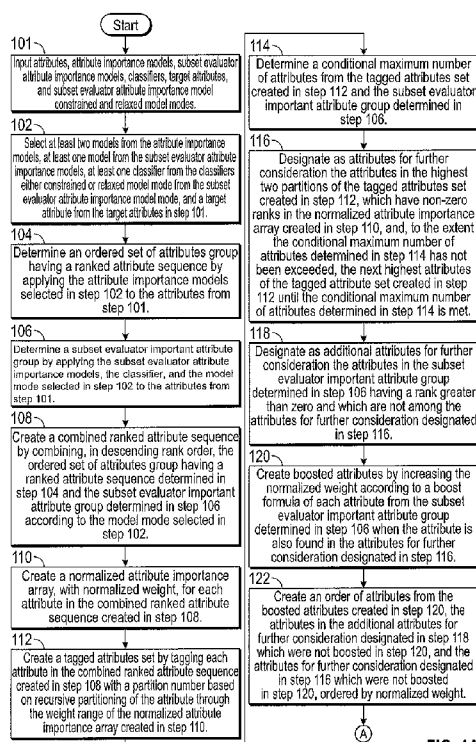


FIG. 1A

(57) **Abstract:** A system and method for determination of importance of attributes among a plurality of attribute importance models incorporating a segmented attribute kerneling (SAK) method of attribute importance determination. The method permits operation of multiple attribute importance algorithms simultaneously, finds the intersecting subset of important attributes across the multiple techniques, and then outputs a consolidated ranked set. In addition, the method identifies and presents a ranked subset of the attributes excluded from the union.

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