

Abstract

The present disclosure discloses a method, system and apparatus for searching for a user in a social network. A client obtains geographical position information of a user of the client after detecting that the user of the client transmits a searching command, and transmits a searching request to a server, wherein the searching request at least includes the obtained geographical position information of the user and a user identifier of the user. The server receives the searching request, stores a piece of searching request information, wherein the piece of the searching request information at least includes the geographical position information and the user identifier carried in the searching request received and receiving time when the searching request is received, determines whether there is a piece of searching request information satisfying a requirement in various pieces of searching request information previously stored, and returns information related with a user corresponding to the piece of the searching request information satisfying the requirement to the client if there is the piece of the searching request information satisfying the requirement, wherein the piece of the searching request information satisfying the requirement meets the following condition: a time interval between receiving time in the piece of the searching request information satisfying the requirement and the receiving time when the searching request transmitted from the client is received is less than a first threshold. By using the technical solution of the present disclosure, validity of a searching result can be improved.