

ABSTRACT

A client computer system and associated method in a computer network over which is provided programs with methods in architecture neutral code. The client computer is capable of executing the programs with reduced run-time memory space requirements when the methods are in architecture specific code generated from the architecture neutral code of the methods. Specifically, a network communications interface receives the methods in architecture neutral code. A network communications manager loads uncompressed in available space in the run-time memory the architecture neutral code of the methods when received. A code generator then generates in the run-time memory uncompressed architecture specific code of the methods from the loaded architecture neutral code of the methods. An execution controller controls execution of the programs so that the methods are invoked and not invoked at different times. A code compressor compresses in the run-time memory the uncompressed architecture specific code of compressible ones of the methods that are not invoked so that space is made available in the run-time memory. The code compressor also decompresses in available space in the run-time memory the compressed architecture specific code of decompressible ones of the methods so that the decompressible ones of the methods may be invoked.

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