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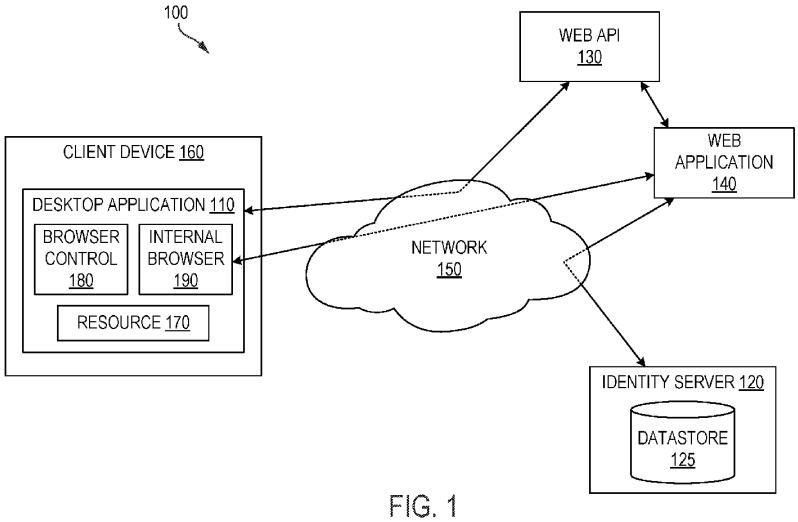


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: In one implementation, a system includes a web application and a desktop application, where the web application acts as an intermediary between the desktop application and an identity server. The desktop application loads a browser control to navigate an internal browser of the desktop application to the web application, and the web application redirects the internal browser to the identity server. The desktop application submits, via the internal browser, user credentials to authenticate a user of the desktop application to the identity server. The desktop application receives, at the internal browser, a cookie including an access token for the user of the desktop application. The desktop application transmits, to a web application programming interface (API) associated with the web application, an authentication request including the access token. The desktop application grants access to a resource of the desktop application based on an indication of authentication received from the web API.

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