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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPLEMENTING A SEARCH SELECTION TOOL ON A BROWSER

ABSTRACT

Initially, the user sets a series for select search preferences, which defines a select search tool (610). The preferences relate to the type of search tool being defined by the user, such as a select search engine search (614), a universal resource locator (URL) extension search or suffix (612), or a user defined search string (616). Once created, the select search tool may be placed on the browser (600) button bar as a search button, or it may be incorporated in an existing search button as a search tool in a drop down menu. By selecting a term the user effectively creates pseudo links to the selected term by simultaneously or sequentially searching a term using the predefined select search preferences, thus allowing the user to access resources related to the term in much the same manner as a conventional link.

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