CLAIMS

1. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

accepting means for accepting an input of a search term;

transmission means for transmitting a search instruction based on a search term to an external search server;

reception means for receiving a search result based on the search instruction; and

display means for displaying a search result,

wherein in a case where a plurality of pieces of link information is included in the search result and one of the pieces of link information is selected, the transmission means transmits a request for a Web page to a destination server in accordance with that link information, and

the information processing apparatus further comprises processing means for, with respect to the Web page that the reception means received in accordance with the request, searching in that Web page for the search term, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term into that Web page, and

the display means displays the Web page, into which the tag for the emphasized display is inserted, emphasizing the search term in that Web page.

2. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the processing means performs the processing on the Web page only in a case where the received Web page is a page obtained based on a selection of link information of a search result.

3. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein

the processing means searches for the search term in a text in a body included in the Web page, and text associated with a predetermined tag, and

the predetermined tag includes a tag defining at least a Web page title, a tag for designating a display image, and a tag for defining page information.

4. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein the display means

uses a first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web page displayed by the display means,

uses a second display element different to the first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for an image in the Web page displayed by the display means, , and

uses a third display element different to the first and second display elements in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web

page not displayed by the display means,.

5. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the processing means processes the Web page by executing a script included in the received Web page.

6. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-5, wherein

the display means additionally displays an interface for controlling a display form in a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display,

the display means, in accordance with an operation of the interface, executes one of a display in which the search term for which the emphasized display is performed is selected in an order of appearance or in a reverse order, a display or non-display of the emphasized display, a full screen display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display, and erasure of a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display.

7. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-6, wherein the display means causes the emphasized display in the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display to disappear

after a predetermined amount of time elapses after the emphasized display is performed.

8. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-7, wherein the display means, in a case where any of the emphasized display is selected while the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display is displayed, causes the selected emphasized display to disappear.

9. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-8, wherein

the transmission means, in the case where the one of the pieces of link information is selected, further transmits a request for a preview image of a Web page corresponding to the link information to the search server,

the reception means further receives the preview image, and

the display means displays the preview image until the Web page becomes displayable by the reception means receiving the Web page, and in a case where the Web page becomes displayable, displays the Web page replacing the preview image.

10. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means

displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display in an area in a window for displaying the search result.

11. The information processing apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the display in the area in the window is performed by the processing means executing a script included in the search result received from the search server.

12. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display in an area in a window displaying the search result, replacing the search result.

13. A search server that receives a search instruction based on a search term from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-11, and executes search processing, the server comprising:

reception means for receiving a search term from the information processing apparatus;

search means for searching a full-text search database using the search term to generate a search result; and

transmission means for transmitting the search

result to the information processing apparatus,
wherein the search means includes in the search result a script for, in a case where one of pieces of link information in the search result in the information processing apparatus is selected, causing that information processing apparatus to display a Web page, that corresponds to that link information and that is a Web page into which a tag for an emphasized display of a search term is inserted, in an area in a window that displays a search result.

14. The search server according to claim 13, further comprising:

processing means for describing in a Web page a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for a search term in that Web page and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page,
wherein the transmission means, in a case where the reception means receives a request of a Web page corresponding to one of the pieces of link information in the search result from the information processing apparatus, transmits a Web page in which the script corresponding to the requested Web page is described to the information processing apparatus.

15. A Web server comprising:

reception means for receiving, from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12, a request for a Web page included in a search result which that information processing apparatus obtained, wherein the search result is based on a predetermined search term; and

transmission means for transmitting that requested Web page to that information processing apparatus, wherein in the Web page that the transmission means transmits a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for the search term in the Web page, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page is described.

16. A computer program for causing a computer to function as the processing means of an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12.

CLAIMS

1.(Amended) An information processing apparatus, comprising:

accepting means for accepting an input of a search term;

transmission means for transmitting a search instruction based on a search term to an external search server;

reception means for receiving a search result based on the search instruction; and

display means for displaying a search result, wherein in a case where a plurality of pieces of link information is included in the search result and one of the pieces of link information is selected, the transmission means transmits a request for a Web page to a destination server in accordance with that link information, and

the information processing apparatus further comprises processing means for, by executing a script described in the Web page, with respect to the Web page that the reception means received in accordance with the request, searching in that Web page for the search term, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term into that Web page, and

the display means displays the Web page, into which the tag for the emphasized display is inserted,

emphasizing the search term in that Web page.

2. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the processing means performs the processing on the Web page only in a case where the received Web page is a page obtained based on a selection of link information of a search result.

3. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein

the processing means searches for the search term in a text in a body included in the Web page, and text associated with a predetermined tag, and

the predetermined tag includes a tag defining at least a Web page title, a tag for designating a display image, and a tag for defining page information.

4. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein the display means

uses a first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web page displayed by the display means,

uses a second display element different to the first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for an image in the Web page displayed by the display means, , and

uses a third display element different to

the first and second display elements in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web page not displayed by the display means,.

5. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the processing means processes the Web page by executing a script included in the received Web page.

6. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-5, wherein

the display means additionally displays an interface for controlling a display form in a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display,

the display means, in accordance with an operation of the interface, executes one of a display in which the search term for which the emphasized display is performed is selected in an order of appearance or in a reverse order, a display or non-display of the emphasized display, a full screen display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display, and erasure of a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display.

7. The information processing apparatus according to

any one of claims 1-6, wherein the display means causes the emphasized display in the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display to disappear after a predetermined amount of time elapses after the emphasized display is performed.

8. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-7, wherein the display means, in a case where any of the emphasized display is selected while the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display is displayed, causes the selected emphasized display to disappear.

9. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-8, wherein

the transmission means, in the case where the one of the pieces of link information is selected, further transmits a request for a preview image of a Web page corresponding to the link information to the search server,

the reception means further receives the preview image, and

the display means displays the preview image until the Web page becomes displayable by the reception means receiving the Web page, and in a case where the Web page becomes displayable, displays the Web page replacing the preview image.

10. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display in an area in a window for displaying the search result.

11. The information processing apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the display in the area in the window is performed by the processing means executing a script included in the search result received from the search server.

12. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display in an area in a window displaying the search result, replacing the search result.

13.(Amended) A search server that receives a search instruction based on a search term from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12, and executes search processing, the server comprising:

reception means for receiving a search term from the information processing apparatus;

search means for searching a full-text search database using the search term to generate a search result;

transmission means for transmitting the search result to the information processing apparatus; and

processing means for describing in a Web page a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for a search term in that Web page and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page,

wherein the search means includes in the search result a script for, in a case where one of pieces of link information in the search result in the information processing apparatus is selected, causing that information processing apparatus to display a Web page, that corresponds to that link information and that is a Web page into which a tag for an emphasized display of a search term is inserted, and

the transmission means, in a case where the reception means receives a request of a Web page corresponding to one of the pieces of link information in the search result from the information processing apparatus, transmits a Web page in which the script corresponding to the requested Web page is described to the information processing apparatus.

14.(Amended) The search server according to claim 13, wherein the script is a script for allowing a display of a Web page into which a tag for the emphasized display of the search term is inserted, in an area in a window that displays a search result.

15. A Web server comprising:

reception means for receiving, from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12, a request for a Web page included in a search result which that information processing apparatus obtained, wherein the search result is based on a predetermined search term; and

transmission means for transmitting that requested Web page to that information processing apparatus,

wherein in the Web page that the transmission means transmits a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for the search term in the Web page, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page is described.

16. A computer program for causing a computer to

function as the processing means of an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12.

CLAIMS

1. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

accepting means for accepting an input of a search term;

transmission means for transmitting a search instruction based on a search term to an external search server;

reception means for receiving a search result based on the search instruction; and

display means for displaying a search result, wherein in a case where a plurality of pieces of link information is included in the search result and one of the pieces of link information is selected, the transmission means transmits a request for a Web page to a destination server in accordance with that link information, and

the information processing apparatus further comprises processing means for, by executing a script described in the Web page, with respect to the Web page that the reception means received in accordance with the request, searching in that Web page for the search term, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term into that Web page, and

the display means displays the Web page, into which the tag for the emphasized display is inserted, emphasizing the search term in that Web page.

2. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the processing means performs the processing on the Web page only in a case where the received Web page is a page obtained based on a selection of link information of a search result.

3. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein

the processing means searches for the search term in a text in a body included in the Web page, and text associated with a predetermined tag, and

the predetermined tag includes a tag defining at least a Web page title, a tag for designating a display image, and a tag for defining page information.

4. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein the display means

uses a first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web page displayed by the display means,

uses a second display element different to the first display element in a case where the emphasized display is performed for an image in the Web page displayed by the display means, , and

uses a third display element different to the first and second display elements in a case where the emphasized display is performed for text in the Web

page not displayed by the display means,.

5. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the processing means processes the Web page by executing a script included in the received Web page.

6. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-5, wherein

the display means additionally displays an interface for controlling a display form in a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display,

the display means, in accordance with an operation of the interface, executes one of a display in which the search term for which the emphasized display is performed is selected in an order of appearance or in a reverse order, a display or non-display of the emphasized display, a full screen display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display, and erasure of a display of the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display.

7. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-6, wherein the display means causes the emphasized display in the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display to disappear

after a predetermined amount of time elapses after the emphasized display is performed.

8. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-7, wherein the display means, in a case where any of the emphasized display is selected while the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display is displayed, causes the selected emphasized display to disappear.

9. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-8, wherein

the transmission means, in the case where the one of the pieces of link information is selected, further transmits a request for a preview image of a Web page corresponding to the link information to the search server,

the reception means further receives the preview image, and

the display means displays the preview image until the Web page becomes displayable by the reception means receiving the Web page, and in a case where the Web page becomes displayable, displays the Web page replacing the preview image.

10. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted

for the emphasized display in an area in a window for displaying the search result.

11. The information processing apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the display in the area in the window is performed by the processing means executing a script included in the search result received from the search server.

12. The information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein the display means displays the Web page into which the tag is inserted for the emphasized display in an area in a window displaying the search result, replacing the search result.

13. A search server that receives a search instruction based on a search term from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12, and executes search processing, the server comprising:

reception means for receiving a search term from the information processing apparatus;

search means for searching a full-text search database using the search term to generate a search result;

transmission means for transmitting the search result to the information processing apparatus; and

processing means for describing in a Web page a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for a search term in that Web page and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page,
wherein the search means includes in the search result a script for, in a case where one of pieces of link information in the search result in the information processing apparatus is selected, causing that information processing apparatus to display a Web page, that corresponds to that link information and that is a Web page into which a tag for an emphasized display of a search term is inserted, and
the transmission means, in a case where the reception means receives a request of a Web page corresponding to one of the pieces of link information in the search result from the information processing apparatus, transmits a Web page in which the script corresponding to the requested Web page is described to the information processing apparatus.

14. The search server according to claim 13, wherein the script is a script for allowing a display of a Web page into which a tag for the emphasized display of the search term is inserted, in an area in a window that displays a search result.

15. A Web server comprising:

reception means for receiving, from an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12, a request for a Web page included in a search result which that information processing apparatus obtained, wherein the search result is based on a predetermined search term; and

transmission means for transmitting that requested Web page to that information processing apparatus,

wherein in the Web page that the transmission means transmits a script that is executed by the information processing apparatus, and that is a script for causing that information processing apparatus to perform searching for the search term in the Web page, and processing by inserting a tag for performing an emphasized display of that search term in that Web page is described.

16. A computer program for causing a computer to function as the processing means of an information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1-12.