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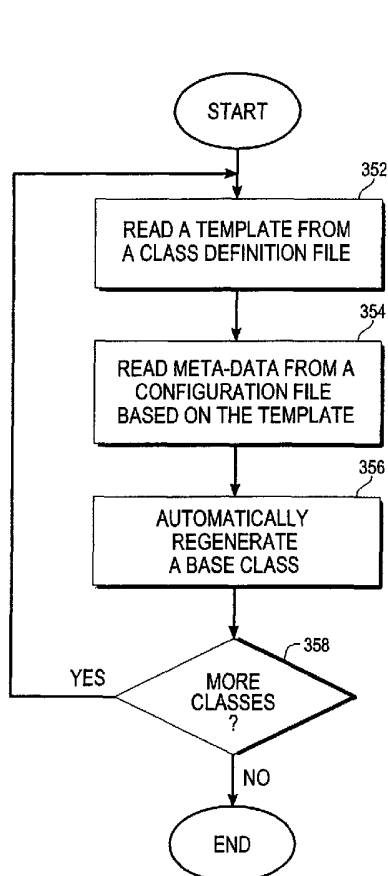
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(54) Title: SYSTEM TO AUTOMATICALLY REGENERATE SOFTWARE CODE



(57) Abstract: A method and system are provided to automatically regenerate software for an object relational mapping system. For each class, the system reads class information (352); reads meta-data based on the class information (354); and automatically regenerates the class based on the meta-data without overwriting associated custom code (356).



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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☒ Claims Nos.: 8-12 and 25-29
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
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3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

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Continuation of Box II Reason 2:

Claims 8-12 and 25-29 contain limitations that lack antecedent bases, rendering the scope of the claims indefinite and unascertainable. For example, there is no antecedent basis for each of the following terms:

- i. "the configuration file" in claim 8, line 1;
- ii. "the second plurality of classes" and "the data object" in claim 9, lines 1-3;
- iii. "the second plurality of classes" in claim 10, lines 1-2;
- iv. "the columns that are requested from the database and populated..." in claim 11, lines 2-4;
- v. "the attributes [that] are persisted to the database..." in claim 12, line 3.

Claims 25-29 are system versions of the claimed methods discussed above (claims 8-12), and likewise have unascertainable scope.