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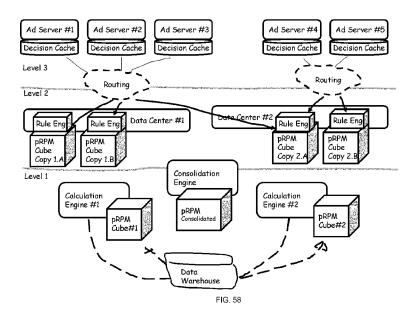
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(57) Abstract: A method and apparatus for universal placement server is disclosed. In one embodiment, the method comprises transforming a webpage having an ad slot into a webpage having an human viewable ad in said ad slot, a causality indicator associated with said human viewable ad, and a slot counter associated with said human viewable ad.





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#### C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:					
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Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)					
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:					
I . Claims 1-6 are directed to a method comprising: transforming a webpage having an ad slot into a webpage having an ad, a causality indicator associated with the ad, and a slot counter associated with the ad.					
$\Pi$ . Claims 7-13 are directed to a method comprising: transforming traffic into a split of traffic based on a rule, transforming the split of traffic into placements, transforming the placements into causality vectors, and transforming the placements into human viewable elements.					
III. Claims 14-20 are directed to a placement server apparatus comprising: a data warehouse, a plurality of calculation engines, a plurality of predicted revenue per thousand(pRPM) cubes, and a consolidated pRPM.					
1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.					
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