Title: AN INFORMATION NAVIGATION SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING THE SAME

Abstract: A navigation and cataloging system is described. In one embodiment, the navigation and cataloging system comprises a database and a server. The database stores content that is associated with a combination of locational information from a series of diagrams (which function as decision trees or flow diagrams) and from standardized, but specific categories of information typically sought by users of that particular type of information (e.g., technology, law, medicine, travel, etc.). Each location on the diagram is cross-indexed with a category of information and that combination leads to specific information being requested from the database. The server retrieves content in response to a request. The request has a context based on which diagram is showing on a display, a selection of a location on the diagram, and a selection of the category of content. In its cataloging role, the system provides the context, and thereby the unique location, to which content can and should be associated.
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