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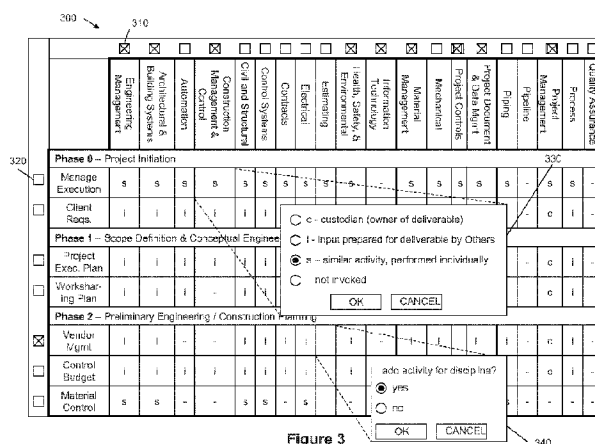
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(57) Abstract: A system and method for creating a project workflow involves tracking all activities from all disciplines within a company in a database, such that when a new workflow is created, a project architect is forced to consider every activity ever performed to the workflow in relation to every discipline. Only after activities have been assigned to their appropriate disciplines, can a user filter a view of the map to hide disciplines and activities from view. This ensures that every task ever performed by various disciplines within a company is always considered whenever designing a project workflow.

AMENDED CLAIMS

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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of producing a visual map of a management workflow of a project, comprising:
 - collecting past activities from at least three disciplines into a database;
 - selecting a plurality of past activities and automatically generating the visual workflow map with the plurality of past activities from a plurality of disciplines;
 - protecting the past activities to prevent user deletion of a past activity from the visual map; and
 - providing a user interface that allows a user to (a) alter a visual characteristic of a past activity, and (b) delete a discipline from the visual map.
2. The method of producing the visual map of claim 1, further comprising providing a legend of visual characteristics for the activities.
3. The method of producing a visual map of claim 2, further comprising permanently write-protecting the legend to prevent deletion of a visual characteristic.
4. The method of producing a visual map of claim 2, further comprising providing a user interface that allows a user to change a visual characteristic of the legend.
5. The method of producing a visual map of claim 2, wherein a visual characteristic of the legend represents at least two participants.
6. The method of producing a visual map of claim 5, further comprising providing a user interface that allows a user to alter a visual characteristic of a past activity to show percentage of work each participant is responsible for.
7. The method of producing a visual map of claim 1, further comprising providing a user interface that allows a user to link additional information to each activity.
8. The method of producing a visual map of claim 1, further comprising partitioning the visual map into at least two views of activities, wherein a first view of activities comprises activities assigned to a discipline, and a second view of activities comprises activities assigned to at least two disciplines.

9. The method of producing a visual map of claim 8, further comprising providing a user interface that allows a user to assign a visual characteristic to an activity that shows the responsible custodian of an activity.