



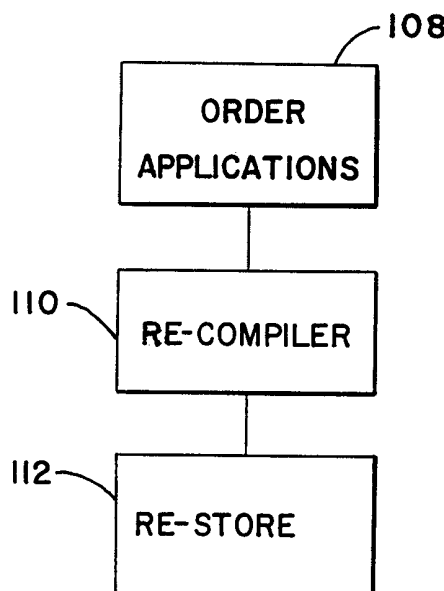
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(57) Abstract

A method for increasing a relative efficiency of an automatic data processing system involving a processing sequence of a plurality of event types. The method includes the steps of measuring event activity (110) of each event type of the plurality of event types and ordering (108) the processing sequence of at least a first set of the event types of the plurality of event types based upon the measured event activity.



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