



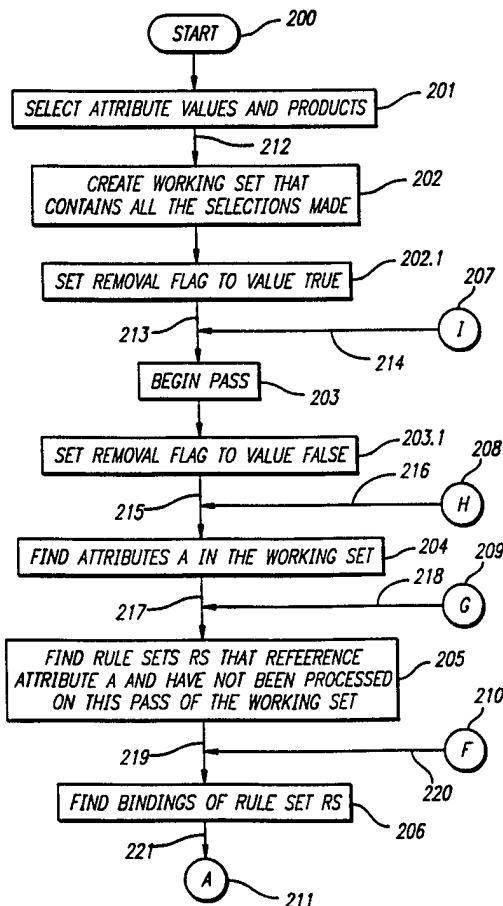
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The invention provides a method and apparatus for selecting desired attributes (201) for system configuration.



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