

Patent Public Search - Navigation with numeric keypad



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A major advantage of Patent Public Search over legacy systems is the ability to quickly view a set of documents. You can move from document to document, page to page, or section to section using the numeric keypad on your computer keyboard.

1. Once you have conducted a Search, the Search Results panel will list all of the results, with the first listed document highlighted and appearing in the Document Viewer. Use the Full-Text/Image button in the top left corner of the Document Viewer toolbar (in purple square in **Figure 1**) to toggle from the full-text view to the image view of the document.

The screenshot displays the Patent Public Search interface with three main panels:

- Search Results:** Shows a list of search results. The first result is highlighted in yellow: "US 11245039 B2 Semiconductor device and manufacturing method thereof".
- Document Viewer:** Displays the full text of the selected document, "United States Patent 11,245,039 B2". It includes a toolbar with a purple square icon for toggling between full-text and image views. A green dashed arrow points from the highlighted result in the Search Results panel to the Document Viewer.
- Search History:** Shows the search history, including the query "heat\$ SAME (steering ADJ wheel)" and the number of results found (3,819).

Figure 1. Document 1 in Search Results corresponds with its image in the Document Viewer

Use the numeric keypad

2. The numeric keypad of your computer keyboard can be used for navigation of patent images in the Document Viewer as well as limited tagging. The **Num Lock key must be on** for the keypad functions to work. The functions are indicated on each key in the diagram below.

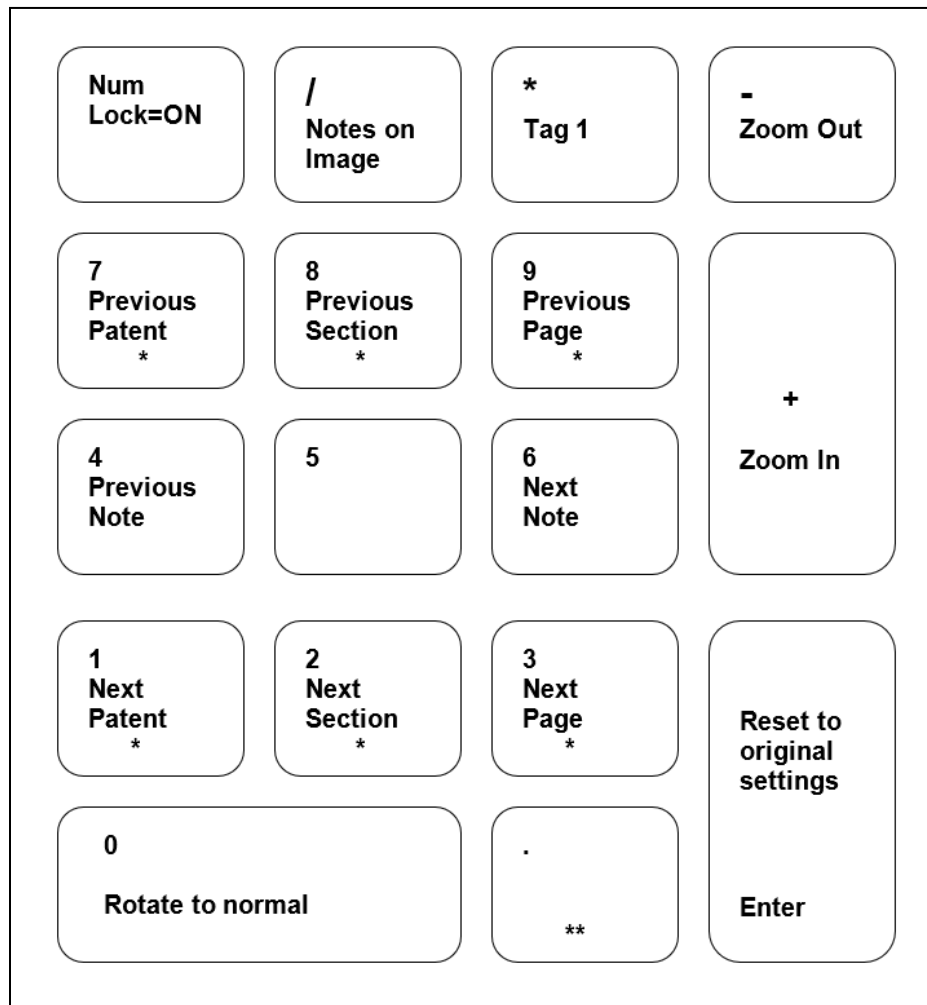


Figure 2 Numeric keypad with functions indicated

- Numbers 1-3 are Forward keys used to move to Next Patent, Next Section and Next Page, respectively. Numbers 7-9 are Backward keys used to move to Previous Patent, Previous Section and Previous Page, respectively.
- Holding down the Forward keys (1-3) or Backward keys (7-9) engages autoflip to quickly flip images.
- The period numeric key (indicated with **) toggles between the first and last page of a patent.
- The asterisk key (*) will tag the document being viewed to the Tag 1 column in Search Results.