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(54) **SUCKER ROD APPARATUS AND METHOD**

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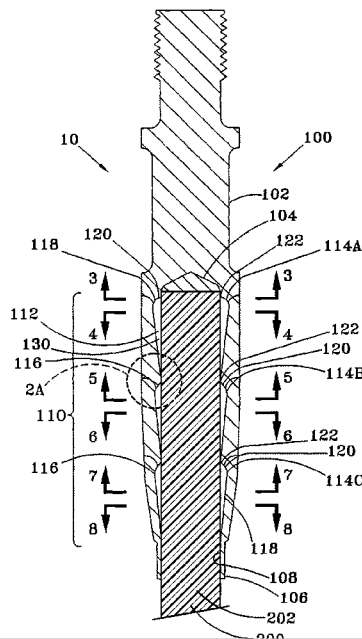
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(57) **ABSTRACT**  
The present disclosure relates to a fiberglass rod with connectors on each end. Each connector has a rod-receiving receptacle having an open end, a closed end, and axially spaced annular wedge shaped surfaces such that the compressive forces between the rod and the respective connector are defined by the shape of the wedged surfaces.

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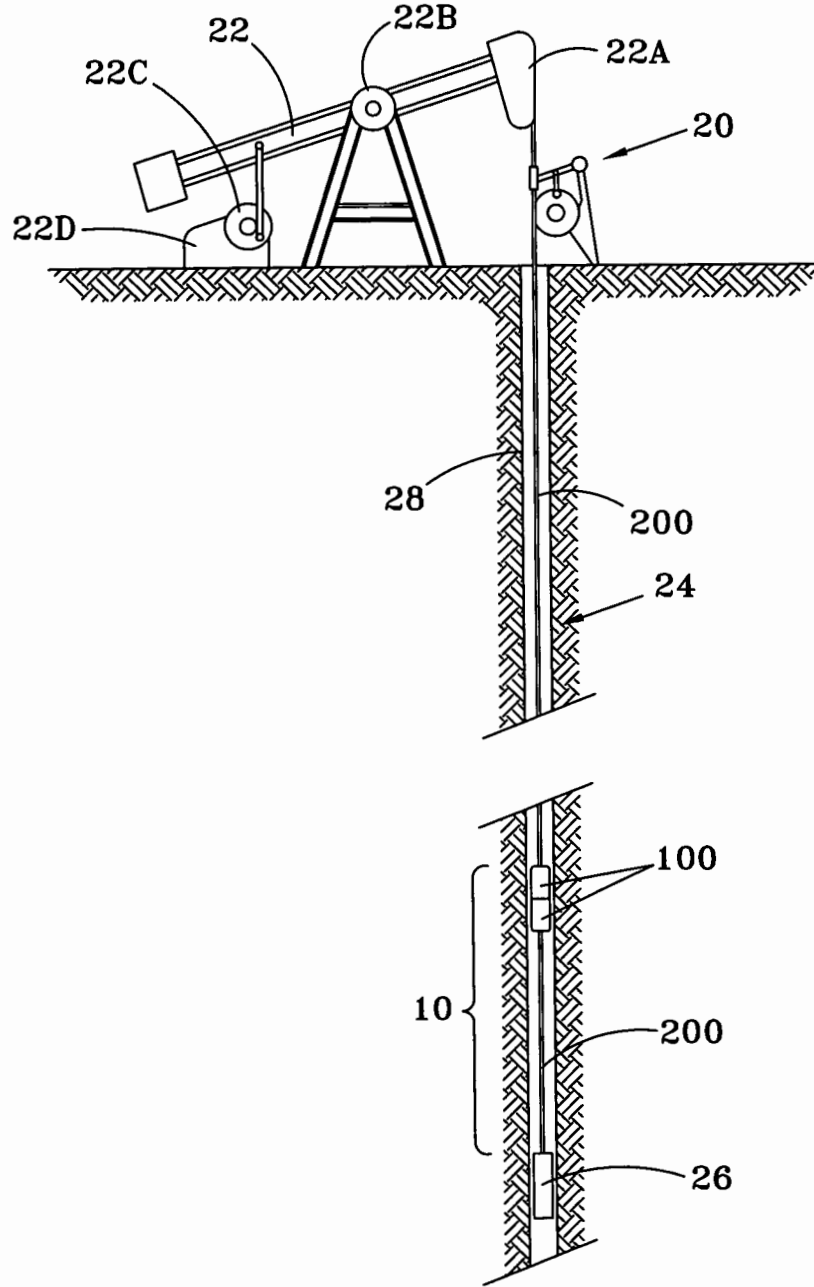


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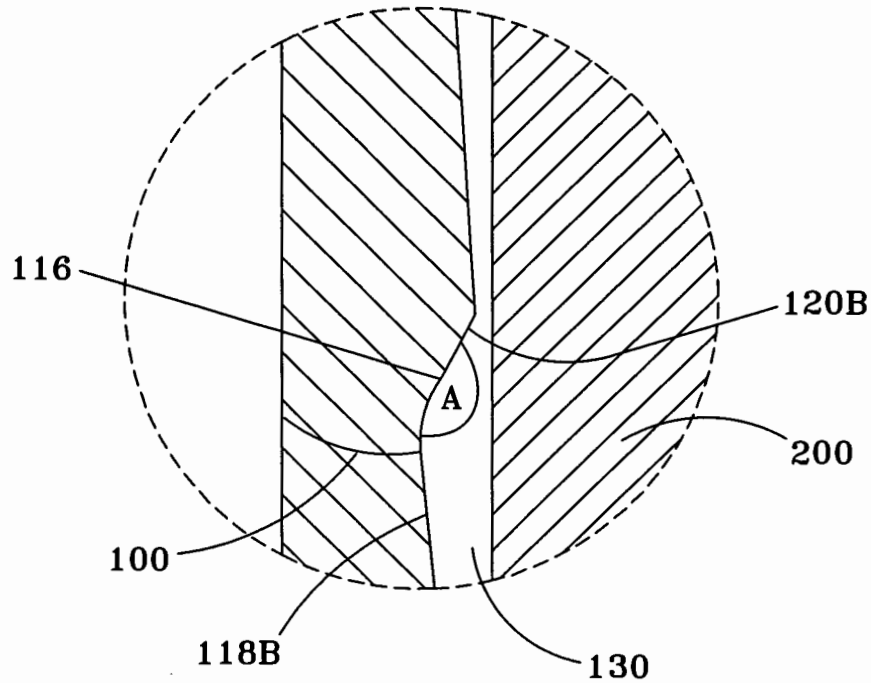


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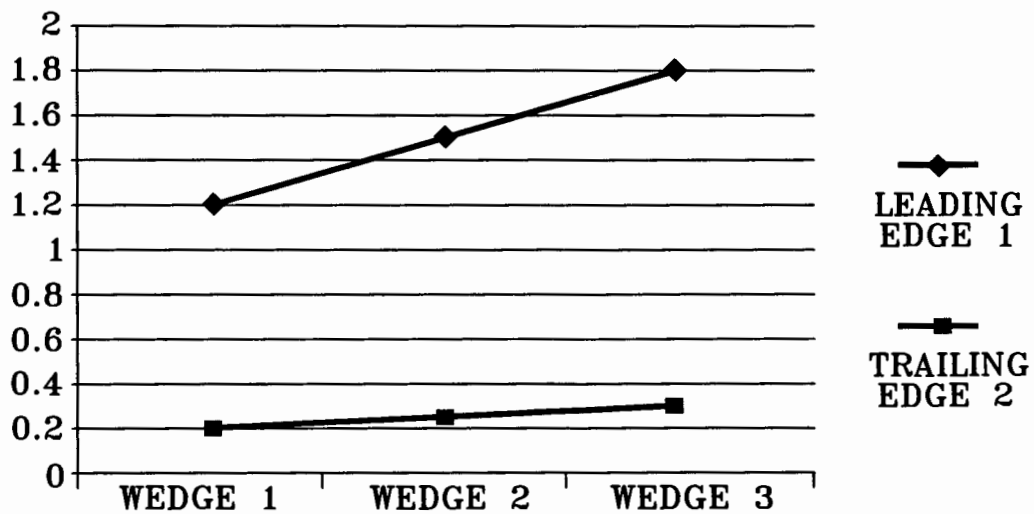


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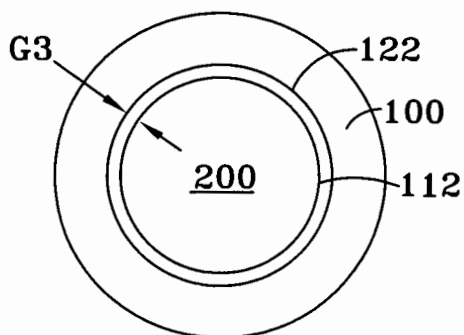


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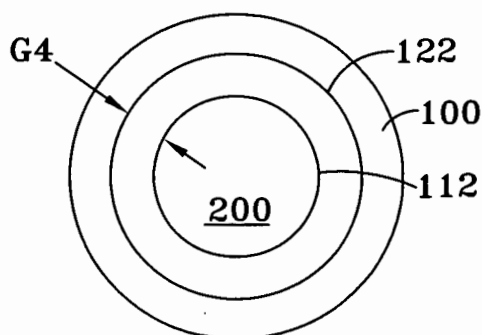


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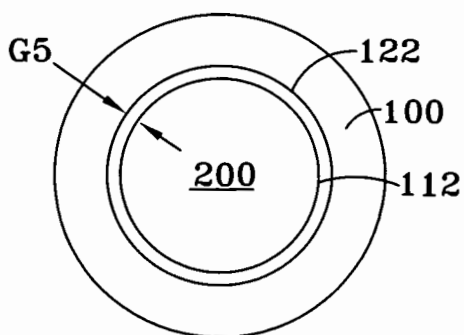


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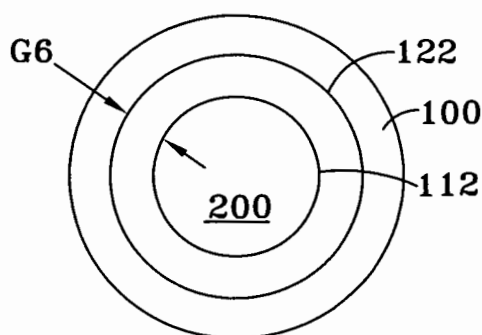


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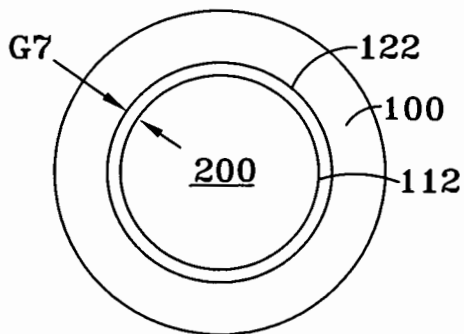


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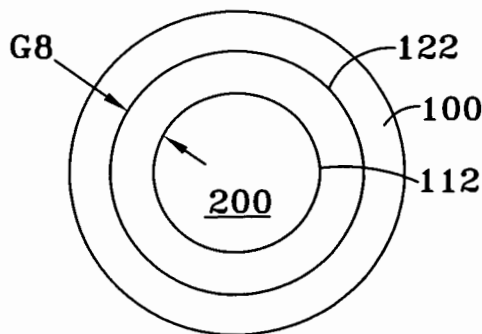


FIG. 8

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