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(54) **TAPE REEL FOR MINIMIZING PRINT THROUGH**  
**THROUGH**

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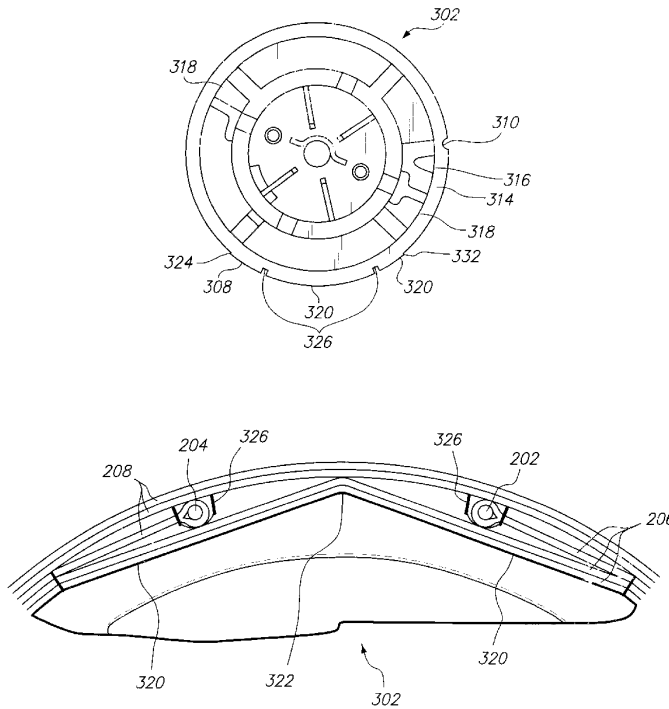
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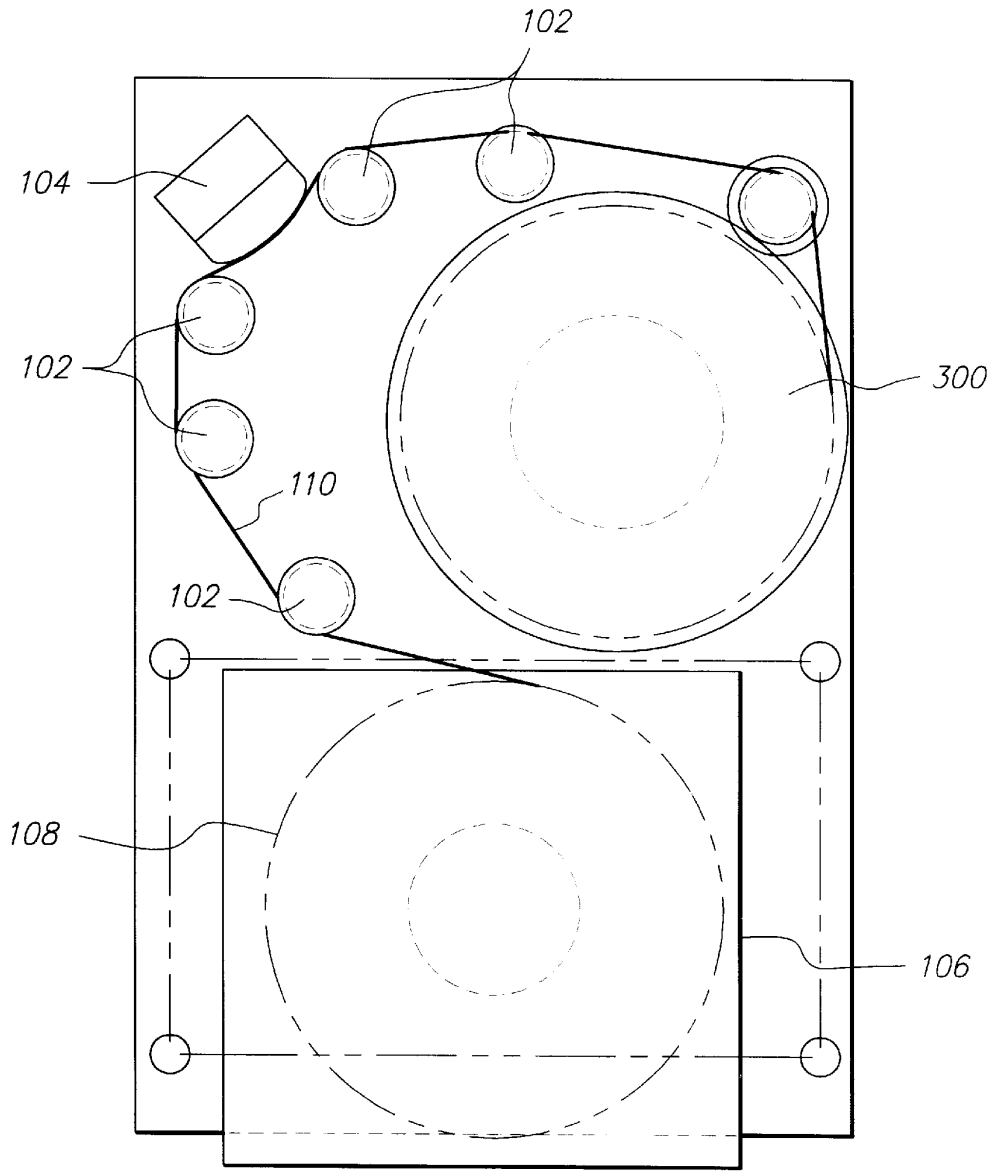
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A take-up reel for use in a tape drive for minimizing print through errors, or data transfer from one layer of tape on the take-up reel to an adjacent layer of tape on the take-up reel. The take-up reel is configured to allowing portions of the buckle, coupling the take-up leader to the supply leader, to recess into the take-up reel. The relatively even and concentric configuration of leaders tape and buckle when wound onto the take-up reel prevents the application of significant non-uniform pressure to the data tape wound thereover, which reduces print through sources of data error.

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**FIG. 1**

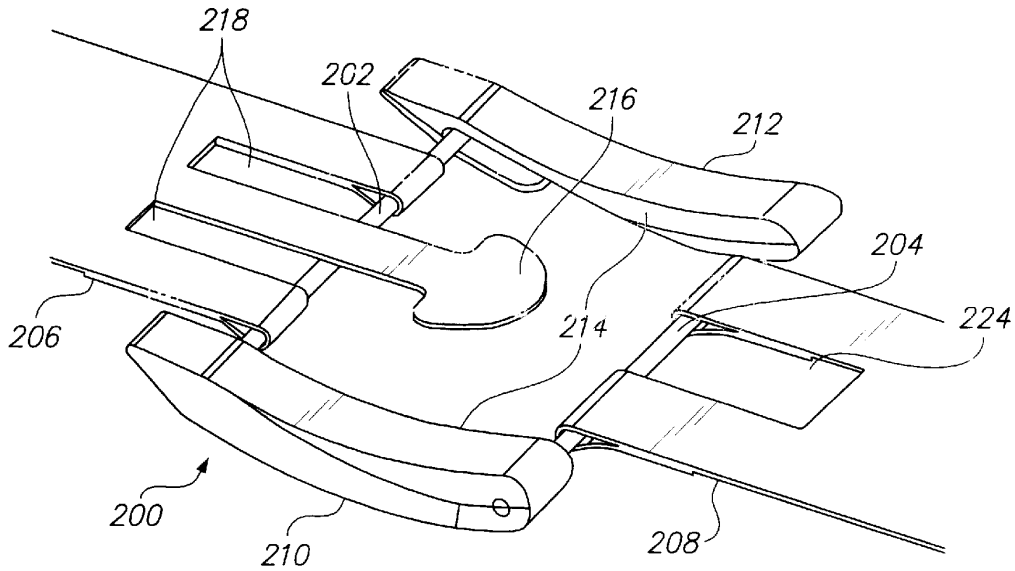


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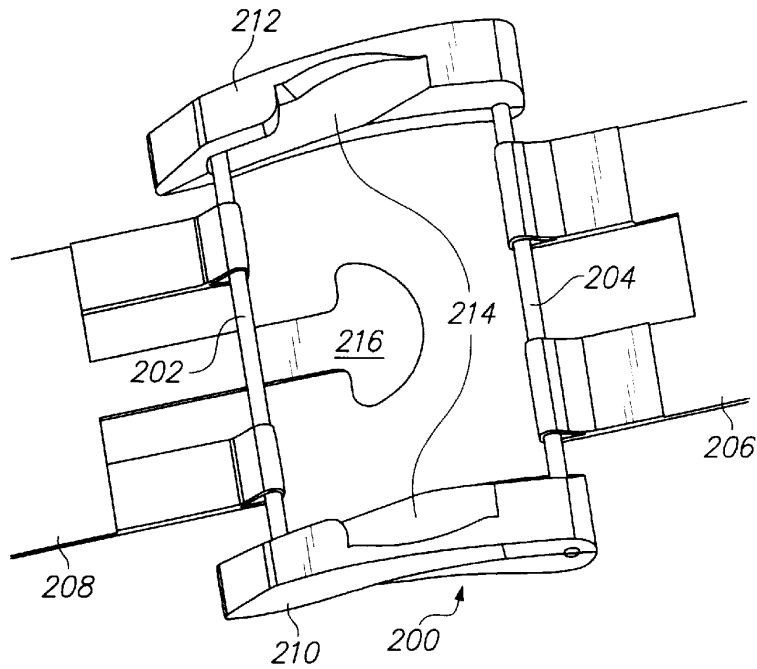
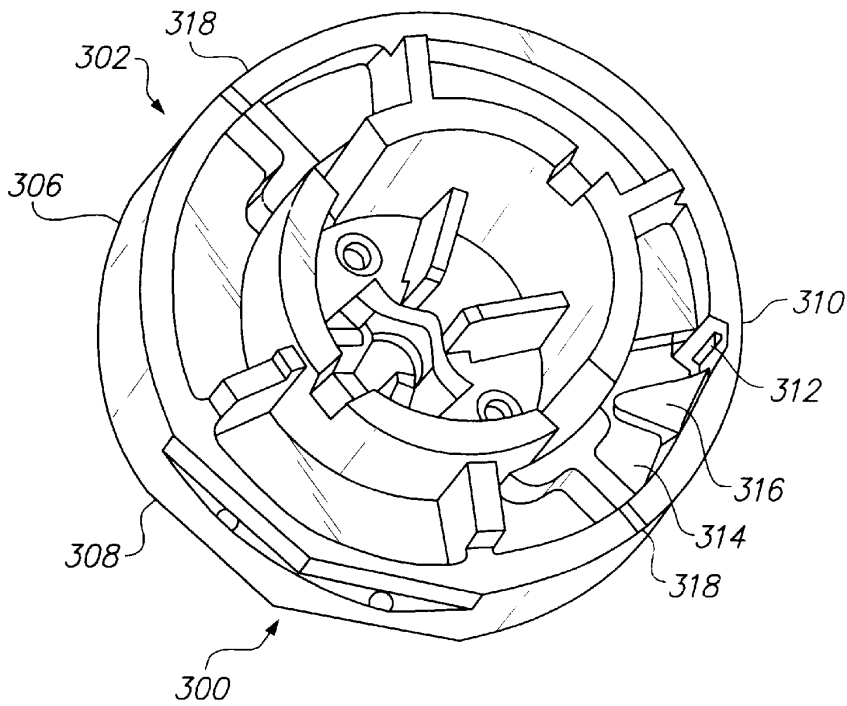
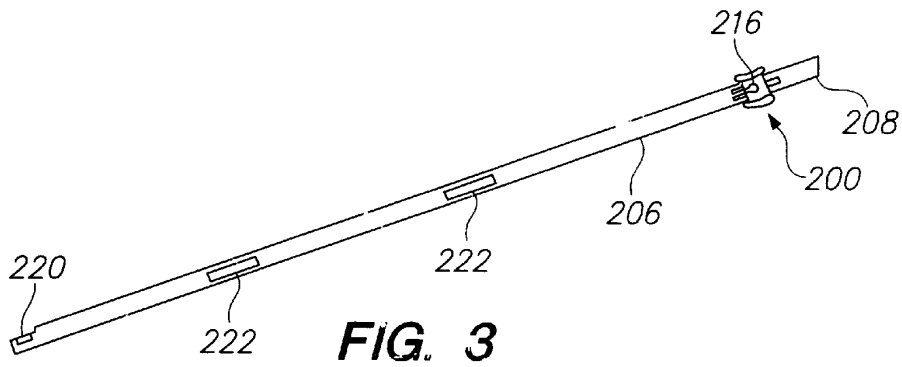


FIG. 2b



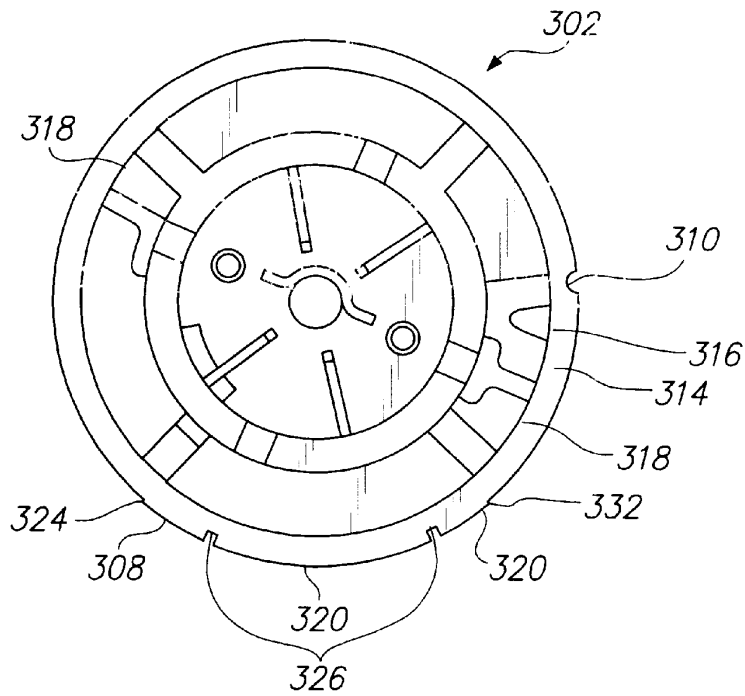


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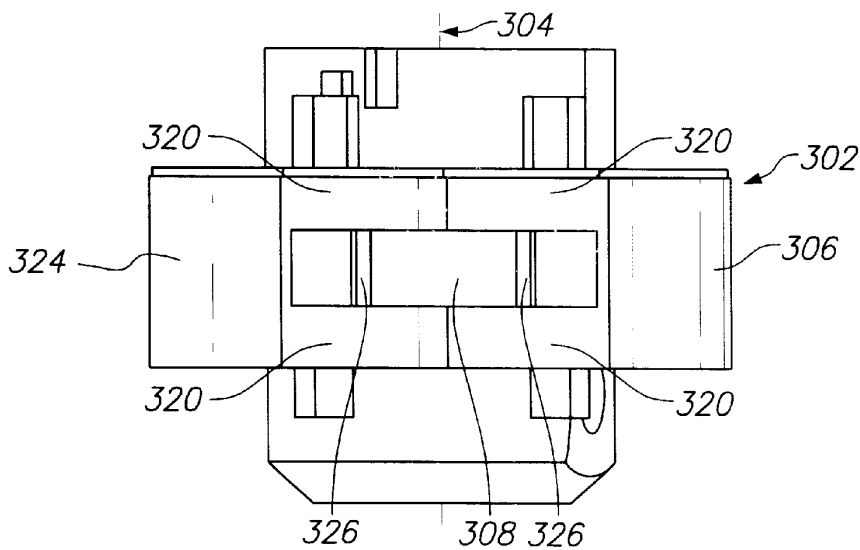


FIG. 6

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