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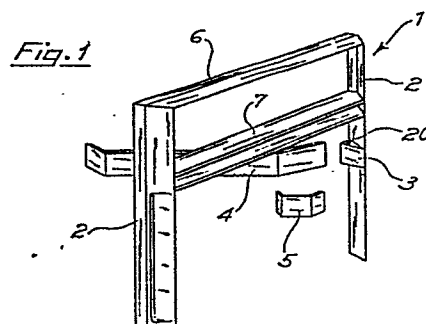
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54 **A modular element for furnishing components.**

57 This invention concerns a modular element to obtain basic structures of furnishing components such as stools, chairs, armchairs, desk-chairs, small tables, tables and small trucks. This modular element can be produced in series at low cost and allows to obtain a whole series of furnishing components, each component being formed by coupling several equal modular elements.

Accordingly, a modular element (1) to obtain basic structures of furnishing components such as stools, chairs, armchairs, desk-chairs, tables, small tables, small trucks and the like, is made of die-cast aluminium, has a U-shaped configuration and shows, in correspondence with its vertical parts (2) built-in connections (3) to releasably fix several modular elements (1) to each other by means of shaped bars (4) or small arms (5) said vertical parts having, below said connections, a length chosen among several different values.





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