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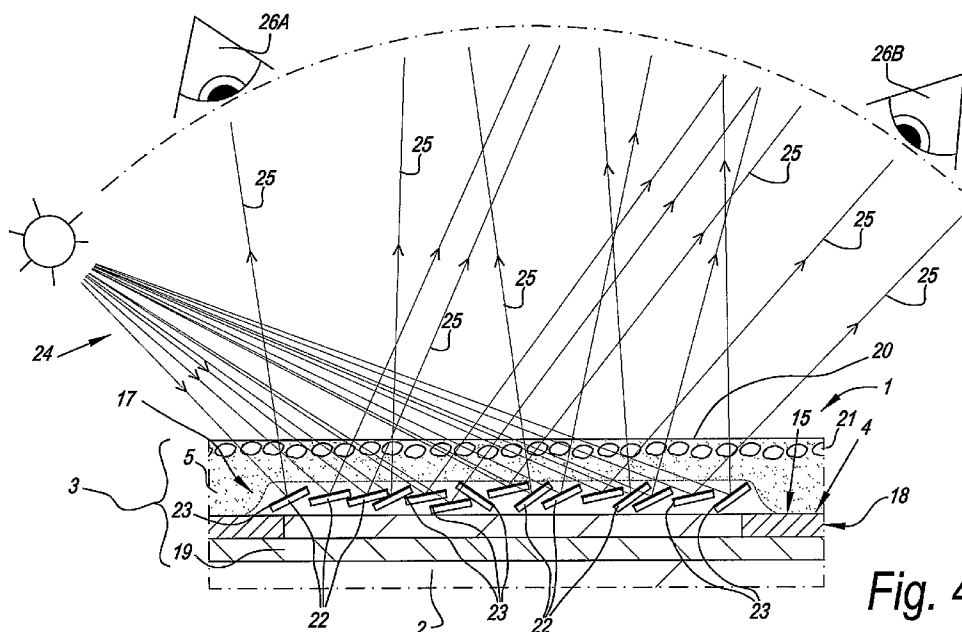


Fig. 4

(57) Abstract: Floor panel of the type comprising at least a substrate (2) and a top layer (3) located on this substrate (2), wherein said top layer (3) has a printed decor (4) and a synthetic layer (5) located on this decor (4), characterized in that the top layer (3) comprises pigments (22), which accomplish an angle-dependent optical effect visible at the surface (20) of the floor panel (1). The invention also relates to a method for manufacturing such floor panels (1).



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