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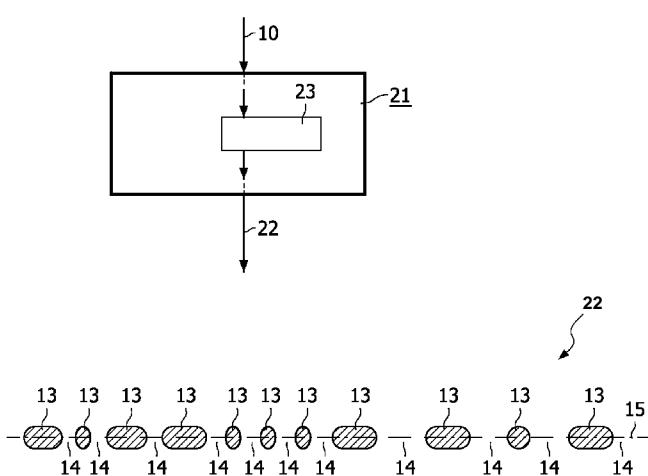
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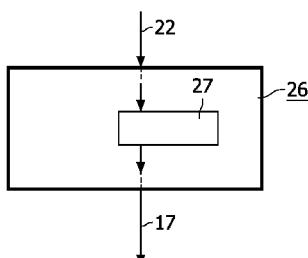
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(57) **Abstract:** In the field of content distribution a typical problem is the protection of Digital Rights information (DRM), which is appended to the content and recorded on a record carrier in the form of a corresponding recorded pattern, from tampering by malicious users. According to some known schemes, the protection is implemented by linking the DRM to some physical distinctive feature of the corresponding recorded pattern. From this distinctive feature fingerprint data can be extracted with some conventional method, and used for the authentication of the DRM. The invention proposes a method of recording data wherein variations in the density of the recorded pattern are formed, as result of a perturbation in the recording process, which is a non-controllable substantially random process.



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