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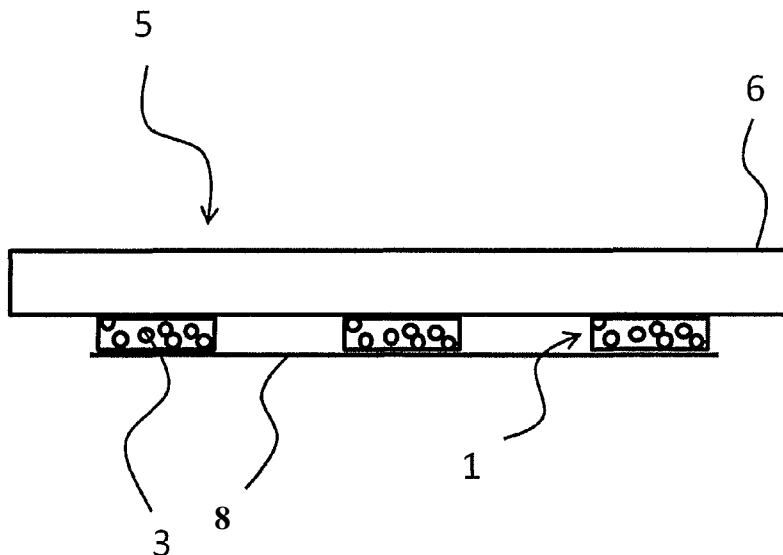


Fig. 3

(57) **Abstract:** The present invention relates to a composition for adhering a floor material to a base surface, which composition comprises an adhesive substance, characterized in that said adhesive substance is non-hardening, and in that the composition further comprises particulate spacer elements, which spacer elements, by virtue of their particle size, are intended to form a minimum distance between said floor material and said base surface, and wherein said spacer elements, in order to obtain said minimum distance, have an extent within the range 0.1-10 mm along at least one longitudinal axis; and further relates to a flooring and a method for producing a flooring.



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