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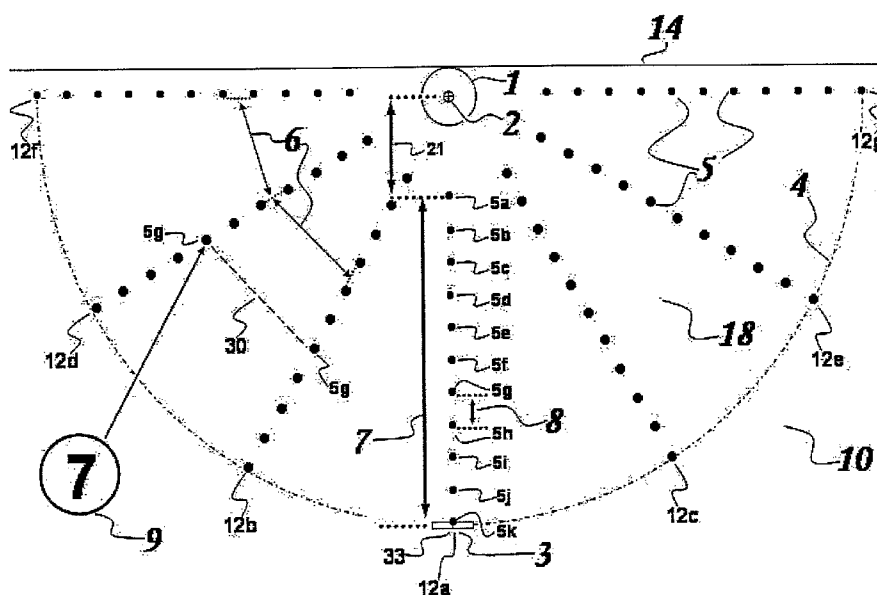
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(57) Abstract: A method and system are provided for increasing shots-made frequency by educating a player's eye and memory through repetitions at one or more specified distance locations from the basketball hoop, and then building on that information by progressively increasing the distance from the hoop through sequential steps to additional sets of repetitions taken at greater distances from the hoop. In one aspect, a shooter must make a first plurality of shots at a threshold success frequency to advance to a second location. Thresholds may be selected from previous success or other data input; divergent thresholds or shot set total numbers for shot locations. In one aspect, the plurality of markings are arrayed in a plurality of radial lines. In one aspect a second party verifies that a shooter meets at least one threshold.



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