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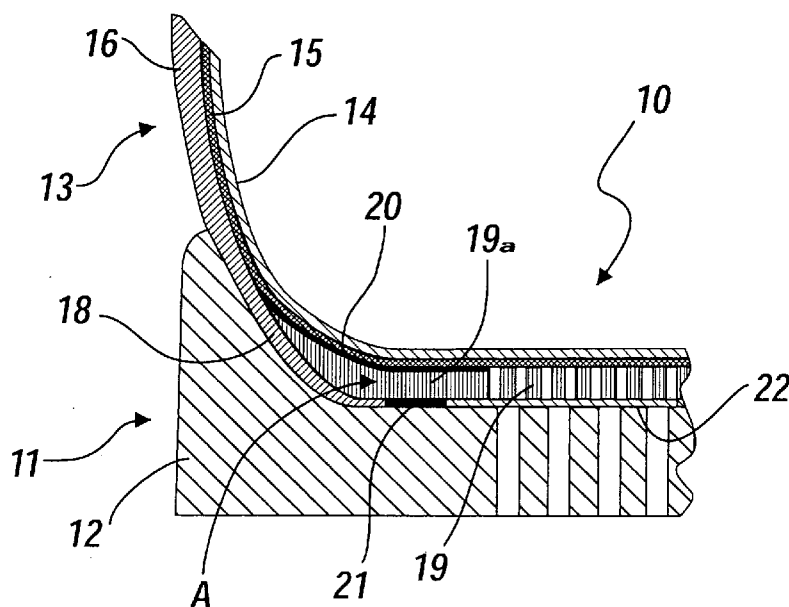
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(57) Abstract: A waterproof and water vapor-permeable shoe, which comprises: a bottom shoe part (11, 111, 211, 311, 411, 511), which comprises a sole (12, 112, 212, 312, 412, 512) that is perforated through from the tread toward the foot resting region, a top part (13, 113, 213, 313, 413, 513), which surrounds the foot completely and in turn comprises, from the inside outwardly, a vapor-permeable or perforated lining (14, 114, 214, 314, 414, 514), a membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515), which is waterproof and vapor-permeable and surrounds the foot completely, and a vapor-permeable or perforated upper (16, 116, 216, 316, 416, 516). The outer bottom portion (17, 117, 217, 317, 417) of the top shoe part (13, 113, 213, 313, 413, 513), which is superimposed on the perforated area of the sole (12, 112, 212, 312, 412, 512), is constituted by a portion (15a,

115a, 215a, 315a, 415a, 515a) of the membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515). A vapor-permeable or perforated protective element (22, 122, 222, 322, 422, 522) for the portion (15a, 115a, 215a, 315a, 415a, 515a) of the membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515) is provided below the portion (15a, 115a, 215a, 315a, 415a, 515a) of the membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515) and above the tread of the sole (12, 112, 212, 312, 412, 512). The material arranged below the portion (15a, 115a, 215a, 315a, 415a, 515a) of the membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515) and in direct contact therewith is waterproof and/or does not retain liquids. A water sealing region (A, 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A) is provided between the portion (15a, 115a, 215a, 315a, 415a, 515a) of the membrane (15, 115, 215, 315, 415, 515) and the sole (12, 112, 212, 312, 412, 512), around the perforated area of the sole, and separates the flaps of the upper from the perforated area of the sole (12, 112, 212, 312, 412, 512).

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