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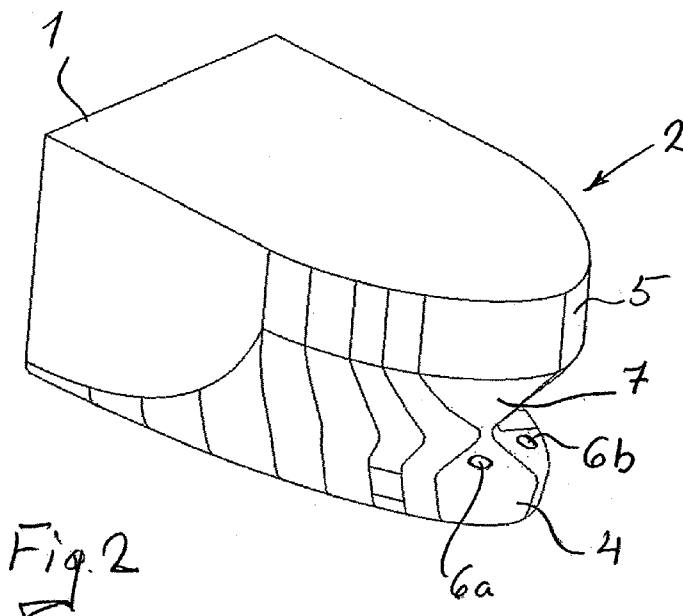
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a vessel or a floating structure operating in ice-covered waters comprising a hull or the like (1, 1') including at least one bow-like end or a similar hull portion (2, 2'), which is exposed to the loading effect of the ice, while the ice or the vessel is moving. Said bow-like end or a similar hull portion (2, 2'), in the underwater part of the hull, is equipped with means for leading one or several strong, mainly upwards-directed flows of water towards the ice or the ice field encountered by the bow-like end or a similar hull portion (2, 2'). The invention also relates to a method of using the vessel or the floating structure.



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