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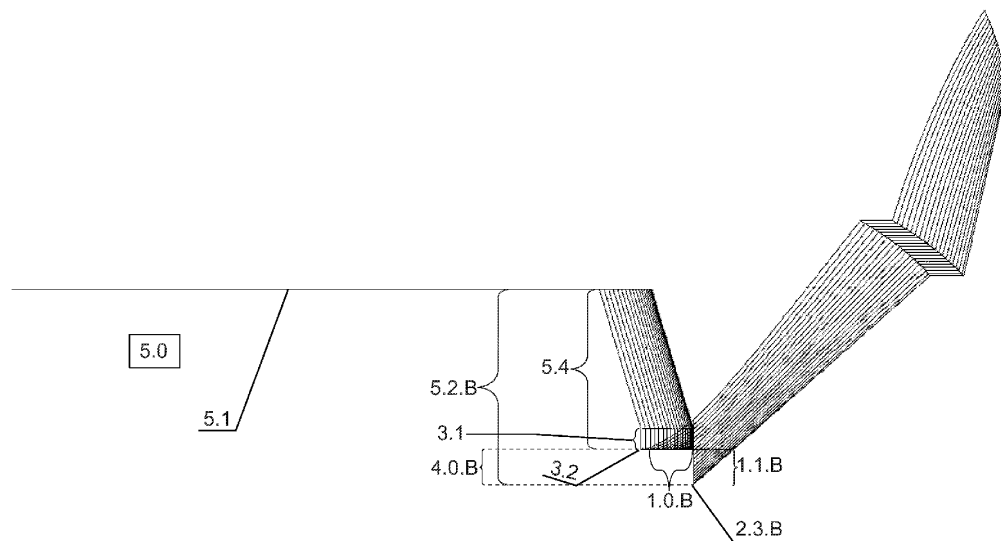


Fig. 7

(57) Abstract: An air supported vessel comprising a basically V-shaped hull with a starboard keel part and a port keel part and with a V-shaped bow, which includes an outer bow support surface, where the basically V-shaped hull has at least one air cushion chamber in a substantial part of the basically V-shaped hull's length below the waterline, and where the air supported chamber is delimited by an air supported chamber ceiling, air supported chamber starboard and port side walls and with at least one aft closing device with an aft threshold that forms an aft delimitation of the air supported chamber and with at least an air supported chamber air intake which, together with the side wall of the air supported chamber in the bow, forms the front delimitation of the air supported chamber.

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