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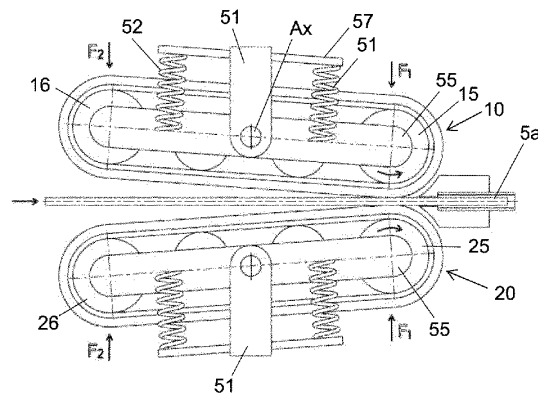
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Fig. 2A



(57) Abstract: An apparatus (1) for laying an elongated element such as an optic cable (5) into a duct, comprising: a driving unit with a two-belt conveyer (10, 20) for driving the elongated element into the duct, forming an inlet part (71) into which the cable is inserted in the driving unit and an outlet part (72) from which the optic cable is sent out of the driving unit, and a fiber protecting unit for the elongated element, wherein the fiber protecting unit comprises at least one of: - a precise clamping force setting means for setting a clamping force exerted by the two-belt conveyers (10, 20), and/or - non-parallel belt setting system (10, 20), for setting the two-belt conveyers (10, 20) in a non-parallel fashion and/or - stepped belts having a stepped contact surface.

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