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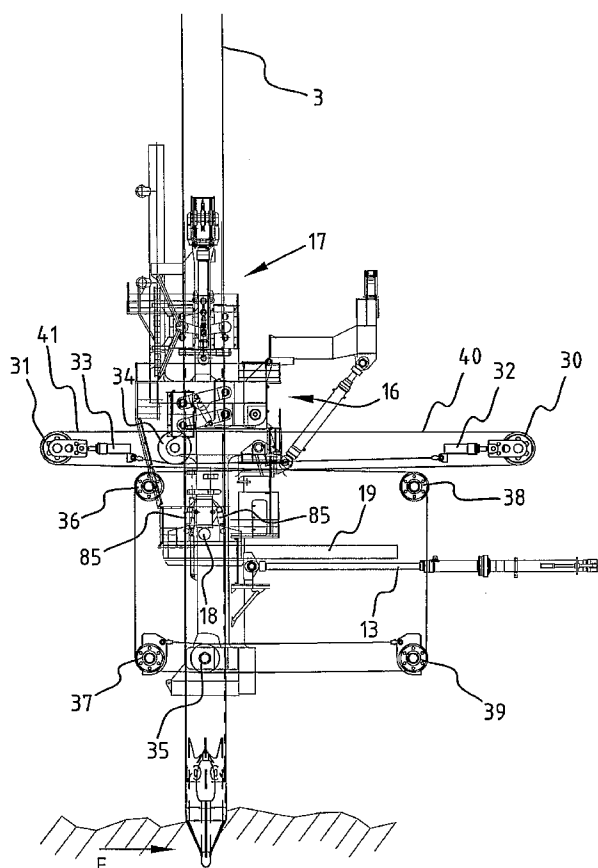
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(57) Abstract: Apparatus for accommodating a substantially vertical spud of a dredging vessel with a longitudinal direction, comprising a spud carriage which is mounted for limited rotation around a horizontal transverse axis, wherein-at least a first and a second spring means is arranged under bias between vessel and spud in the longitudinal direction for the purpose of absorbing a moment on the spud carriage, which first and second spring means compensate each other in the non-loaded situation of the spud; and-at least one spring means is provided with a spring force limiting means for limiting the tension in said spring element from a determined maximum moment on the spud carriage.



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