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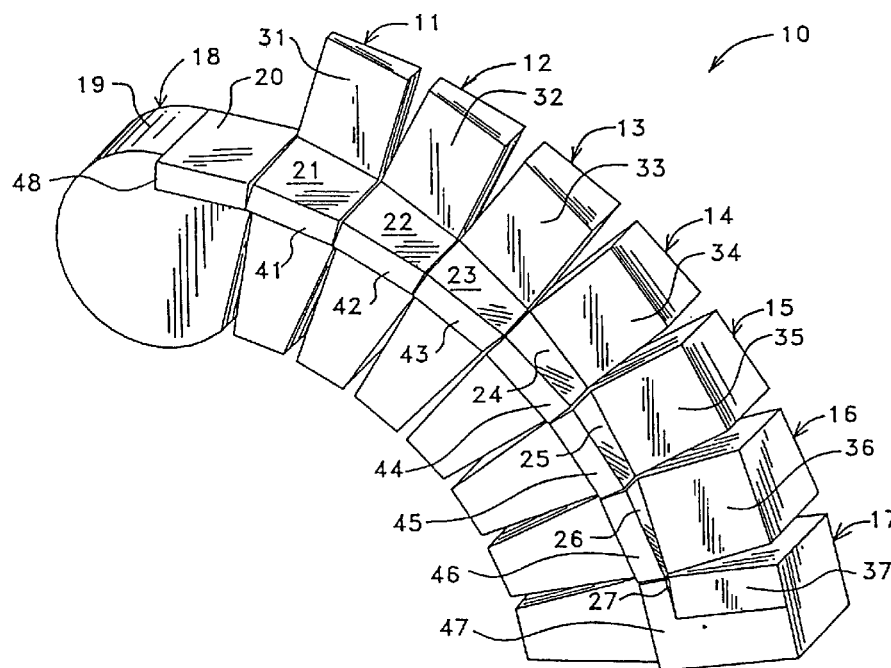
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(54) Title: **BELT INSTALLATION TOOL**



(57) **Abstract:** The invention comprises a belt installation tool (10) for installing a belt on a pulley. The tool (10) comprises a plurality of segments (11-17). The segments (11-17) and the headpiece (18) are connected by a flexible connector (30) with a headpiece (18) attached to one end of the string of segments (11-17). Each segment (11-17) comprises a belt bearing surface (21-27) and a lip (41-48) for engaging a pulley rim, thereby conforming to the curve of the pulley rim. The belt bearing surface (21-27) describes a tapered surface. A surface normal to the belt bearing surface on each segment (11-17) urges a belt from the tool onto a pulley as the pulley is turned.



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