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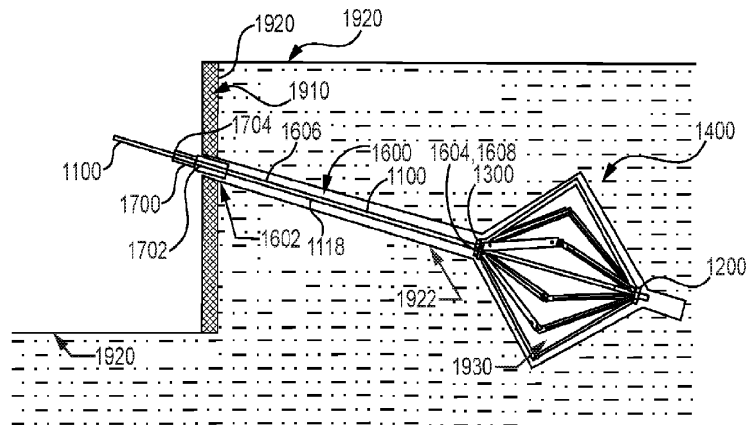


FIG. 5B

(57) Abstract: Various implementations include a ground anchoring apparatus including a longitudinal body, first and second retaining members, and a set of expanding linkage assemblies. The first retaining member is rigidly coupled to the longitudinal body. The second retaining member is movably coupled to the longitudinal body. Each expanding linkage assembly includes first and second linkage members. The first linkage member has first and second portions, and the second linkage member has third and fourth portions. The first portion is rotatably coupled to the first retaining member. The fourth portion is rotatably coupled to the second retaining member. The third portion is rotatably coupled to the second portion. The set of expanding linkage assemblies is movable between a collapsed and expanded configuration. The second retaining member is closer to the first retaining member and the third portion is further from the central axis in the expanded configuration than in the collapsed configuration.

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