

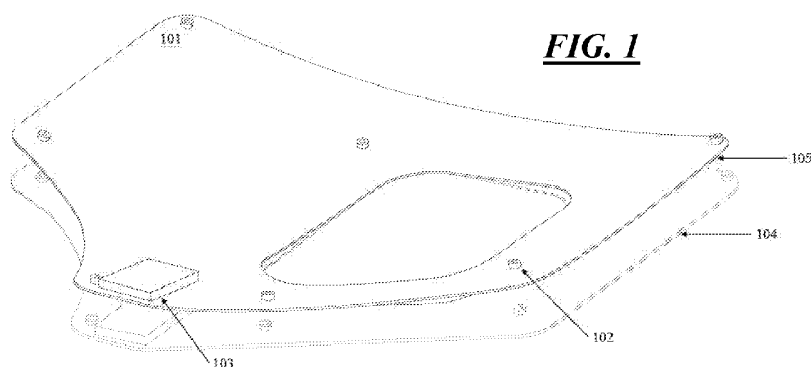
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(57) Abstract: Methods and systems for the laminated object manufacturing of metal parts. Some embodiments include a method that includes bonding a plurality of metal sheets to form a workpiece comprising at least one pre-form blank having a variable thickness and at least one support region; and subjecting the workpiece to a mechanical forming process to form the part from the at least one pre-form blank.