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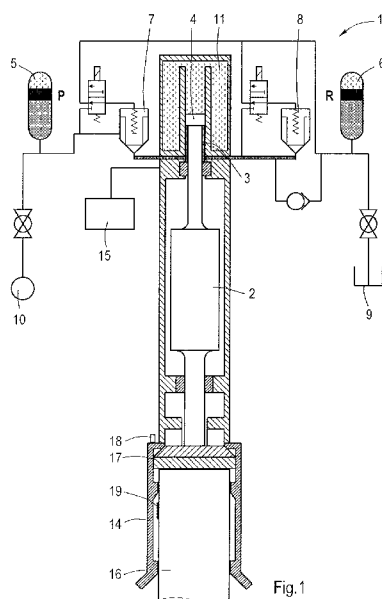


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method of installing a foundation element, in particular a (mono)pile (16), in a ground formation by means of a driver (1), comprising driving the foundation element (16) into the ground formation by means of blows delivered by the driver (1) to the foundation element (16), estimating or measuring stress waves that are generated by the blows and reflected from the tip of the foundation element (16), and, if a reflected stress wave is a tensile stress wave, reducing the blow energy.