

adidas AG (Petitioner) v.
NIKE, Inc. (Patent Owner)
IPR2016-00921 (U.S. Patent 7,814,598)
IPR2016-00922 (U.S. Patent 8,266,749)

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Instituted Grounds of Unpatentability

Claims – 598 Patent	Prior Art
1-13	Reed + Nishida

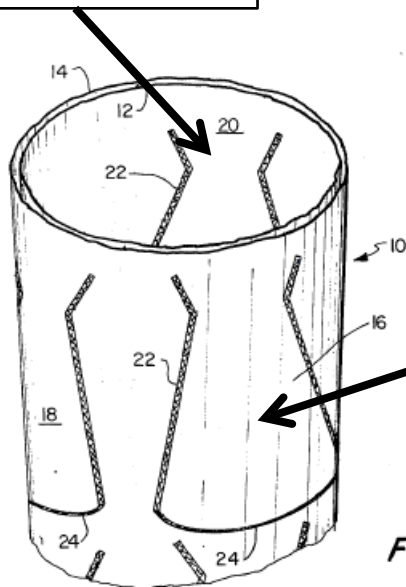
Claims – 749 Patent	Prior Art
1-9, 11-19, and 21	Reed + Nishida

U.S. Patent No. 3,985,003 to Reed

- Reed discloses a method of manufacturing a wearable item, which includes, among other things,
 - Mechanically manipulating a yarn with a circular-knitting machine to form a cylindrical textile structure with textile elements located in different portions of the textile structure;
 - Removing the textile elements from the textile structure; and
 - Incorporating the textile elements “to form all types of garments worn by men, women, and children.”

Reed's Textile Element Is Formed by Interknitting Two Circular Tubes to Form a Pattern Outline

Interknitted stitches forming outline of textile element formed on inner tube 12

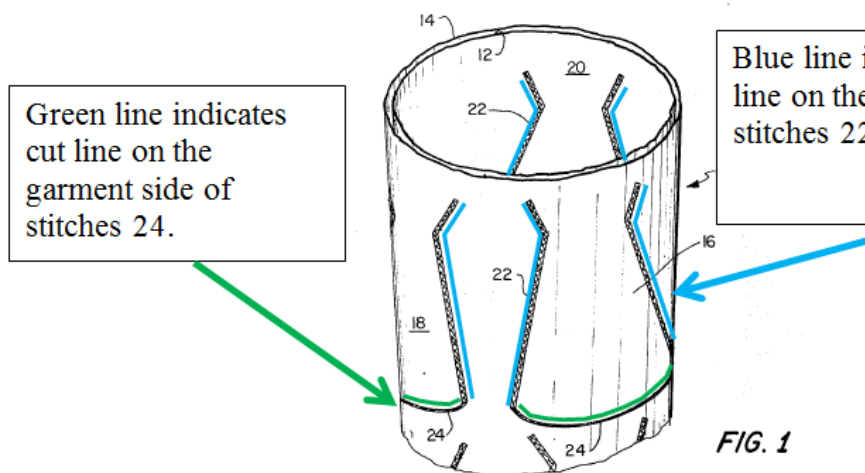


Interknitted stitches forming outline of textile element formed on inner tube 12

The present invention uses an electronic double knitting machine programmed to simultaneously knit two concentric tubes, one on the needles and a second on the cylinder set of needles. The machine is additionally programmed to interconnect the concentric tubes by a knit interlock stitch to form the outline of the design of a garment.

Reed's Textile Element May be Removed by Cutting Along Interknitted Stitch Outline

The garments 16, 18 and 20 are outlined by a plurality of interconnecting knitted stitches 22 and 24. The interconnecting knitting 22 not only forms the outline of the garments 16, 18 and 20, but joins the inner tube 12 to the outer tube 14 so as to create a seam. The interconnecting knitting 24 is merely to define the lower outline of the skirt upon which the pattern may be cut.



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