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54 Extruded sections particularly for building shop furniture.

57 A framed structure such as an item of furniture or the like more particularly an item of shop furniture such as a retail counter, comprises a frame and a plurality of extruded sections including a main support section having a channel which fits onto a frame member so as to support the main section on the frame. Another extruded section for linking sub-frames together, providing infill panel or door panel tracks, or a facing section, is attached to the main support section by mounting means. The mounting means on at least one of the inter-engaged sections has a screw-fixing channel having a cross-sectional shape corresponding to the longitudinal cross-section of a tapped hole or a drilled hole of a size suitable for receiving a self-tapping screw. The structure enables (e.g.) retail counters to be built quickly from standard sections cut to a desired length, without the need to tap or otherwise form screw-threaded holes during assembly.

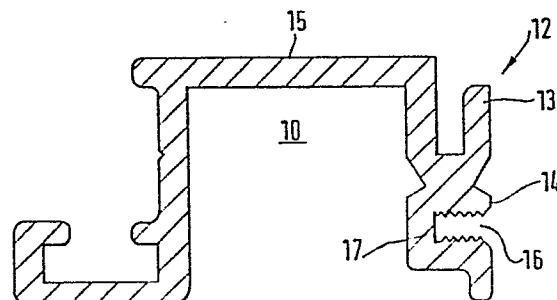


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