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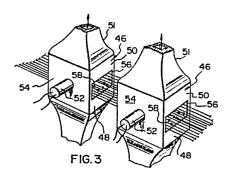
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(54) Manufacture of telecommunications cable core units.

Forming a telecommunications cable core unit (10) in which conductor pairs (12) change their relative positions along the core unit. The conductor pairs, as they are fed towards a core unit forming means (20), are passed through individual guides (58, 96, 100, 108) which are movable independently of each other laterally of the feedpath of the conductor pairs and within certain confines. A fluid force is used to cause this guide movement. The fluid force may be the force created by an air flow, in which case the guides are buoyant. Alternatively, the guides are or comprise a magnetically permeable material (64) in which case the fluid force is that created by a magnetic field which has a changing flux strength and field pattern.





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