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(54) Dot matrix serial printer.

(57) Dot matrix serial printer for the simultaneous serial printing of two subsequent rows with line pitch selectable between several values, provided with a printing head having two needle groups arranged along a line transversal to the printing lines and with selection means which, according to a line pitch defining signal, select needle sub-groups within two groups to perform the simultaneous printing of characters on two subsequent lines having a line pitch value defined by said signal.

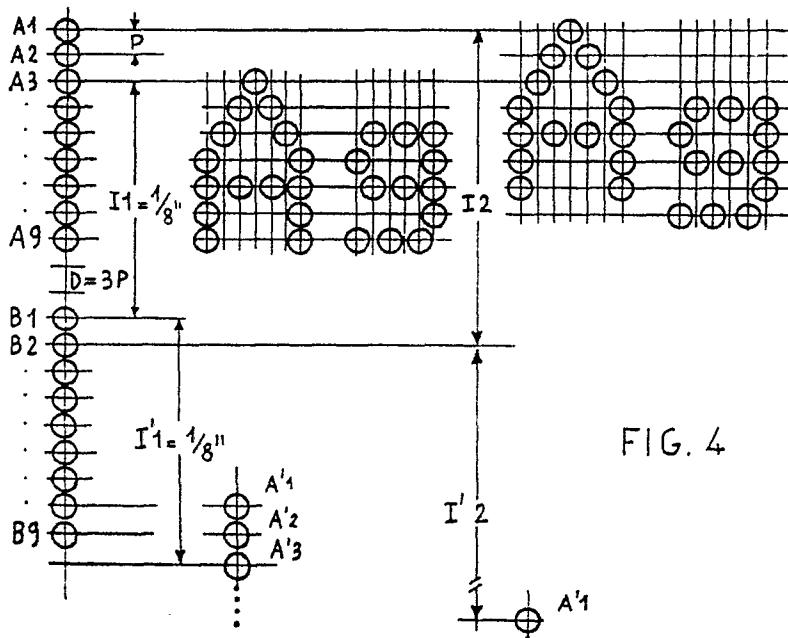


FIG. 4



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