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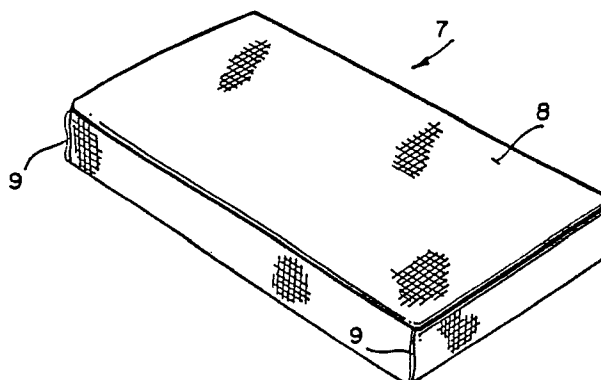
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Knitted sheeting products having sheath/core yarn construction.

Method of forming top bedsheets (4), bottom bedsheets (7) or pillowcases (1) and the products produced by the method. The method includes making a sheath/core yarn having a sheath of primarily cotton fibers or cellulosic fibers having smoothness of hand properties comparable to cotton, and a core of primarily synthetic material having strength properties greater than the sheath fibers; circular knitting the sheath/core yarn into a knit fabric; and cutting and sewing the fabric to form top bedsheets, bottom bedsheets or pillow cases. An antimicrobial agent may be applied either before or after the products are formed.

FIG. 3





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