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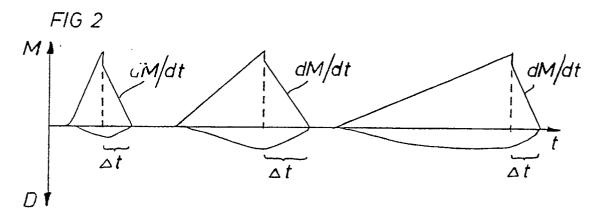
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- (54) Method and device for tightening threaded joints.

The invention relates to a method and a device for tightening threaded joints by applying torque on the joint by means of a power tool until a predetermined pretension level in the joint is reached, whereupon a control means connected to the power tool is arranged on one hand to initiate power shut-off and on the other hand to initiate continued successively decreasing power supply to the tool as the predetermined pretension level is passed.



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