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(54) **Mat anchoring device**

(57) The invention provides a mat securing device (1) comprising a base and attachment means for holding a mat (2) in place on a floor. The device can comprise

attachment means to interact with a plurality of mats. The attachment means can cooperate through a mat or interact with means within a mat.

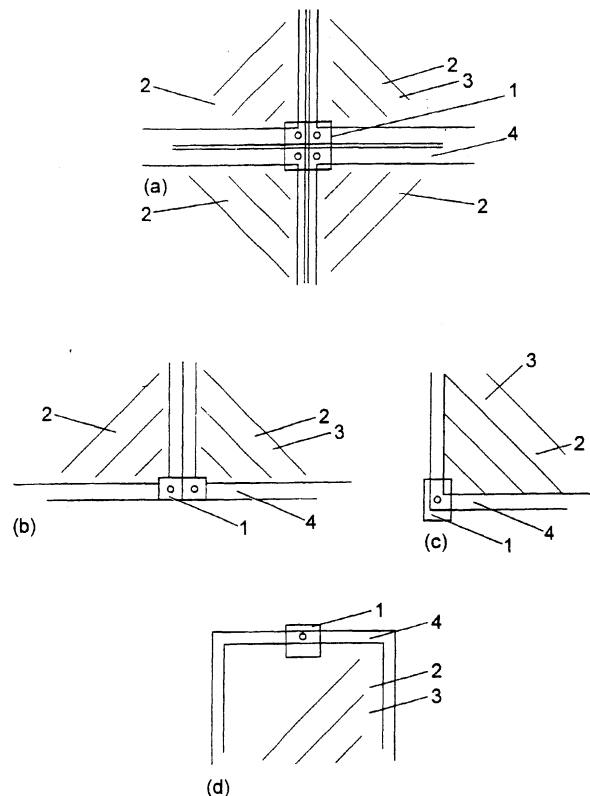


Figure 1

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