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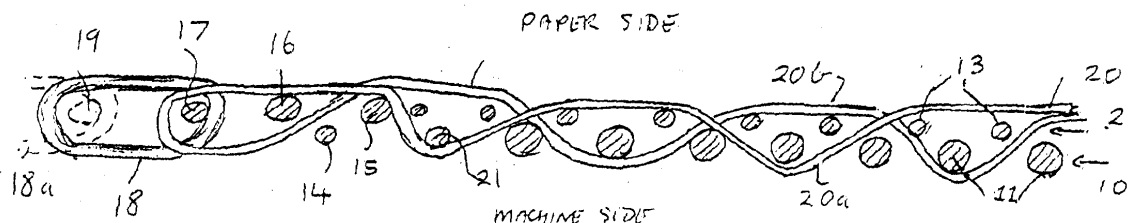
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(54) **Woven fabrics**

(57) A woven fabric comprises at least two layers (10,12) of cross-machine direction yarns, one layer (10) having yarns (11) of larger dimensions, e.g. diameter, and the other layer (12) having yarns (13) of smaller dimensions and/or 'shaped' (i.e. of non-circular cross-section). A seaming spiral (18) is connected to the fabric by a seam binding yarn (19) secured by at least some ma-

chine-direction yarns being looped about the seam binding yarn (19). The final yarn (14) of the layer of smaller dimensioned or shaped yarns (13) is displaced towards the opposite side of the fabric. The last two larger dimensioned yarns (15,16) may be displaced towards the smaller dimensioned or shaped yarn layer (12), and the third yarn (17) of the larger dimensioned yarn layer may have an intermediate diameter.



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