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(54) **Folded sheet metal roofing structure**

(57) A folded metal sheet roofing structure, which comprises: a plurality of metal sheets (33) with two non-adjacent edges (36, 37) complementarily folded or otherwise shaped so as to allow mating of two contiguous metal sheets (33) by partial overlapping and snap engagement; a plurality of supporting and holding blocks (1), which can be anchored to a roofing purlin and have a base portion with two protruding raised portions (3, 4), each raised portion being externally flanked by a respective recess. One raised portion of each supporting block (1) has a diverging inclination with respect to the other and each one of the recesses is externally adjacent to an inclined-plane cradle which is inclined toward a corresponding raised portion with its access delimited by a shoulder or abutment tooth (11) on one side, and by inclined-plane surfaces at the other side, thereby allowing the anchoring and quick overlapping coupling of one metal sheet (33) with a contiguous one simply by applying pressure from above to cause the metal sheet to slide on the inclined-plane surfaces.

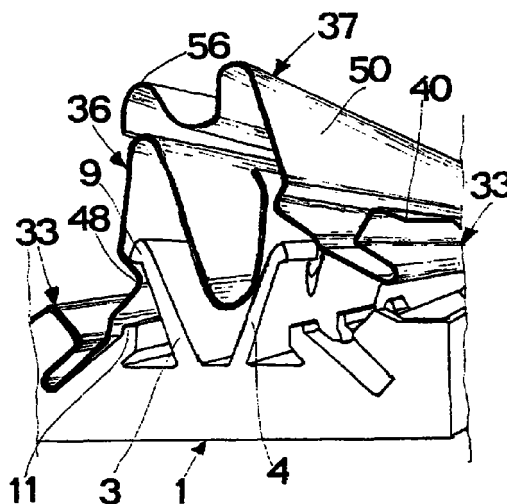


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