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(54) **Stringed musical instrument formed from bamboo plates**

(57) Bamboo fibers uniformly extend in the longitudinal direction of a bamboo stem (20) so as to impart good acoustic properties to bamboo plates (25) formed from bamboo strips (24), and the bamboo plates (25)

are available for a component part (1a/ 1b/ 1c/ 11/ 12) of a body and a neck (2a/ 2b) both forming part of an acoustic guitar, because the bamboo is easily economically obtainable.

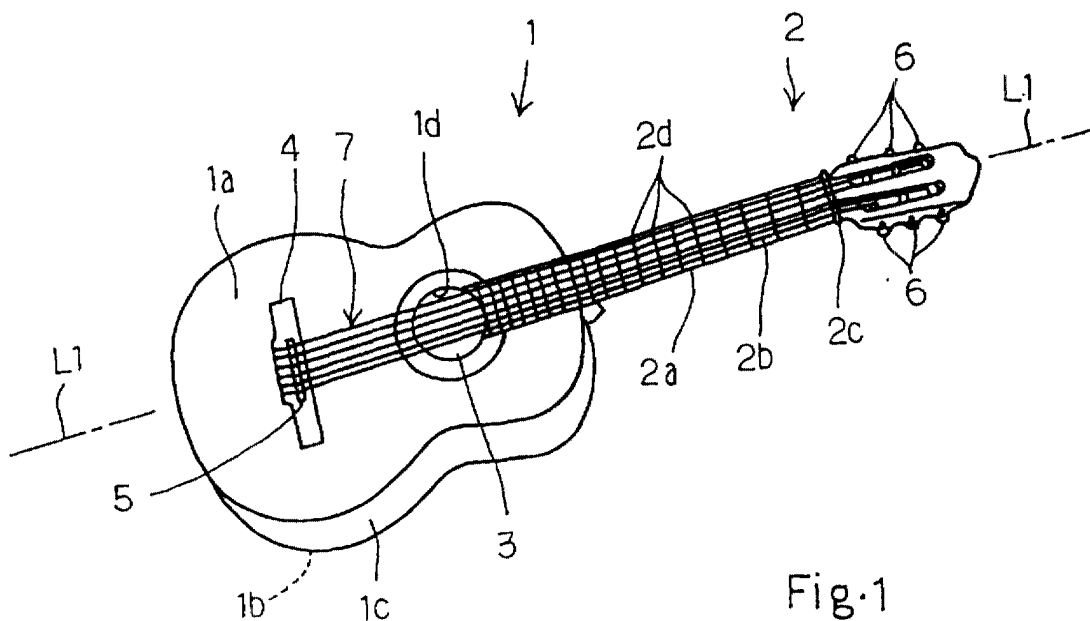


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