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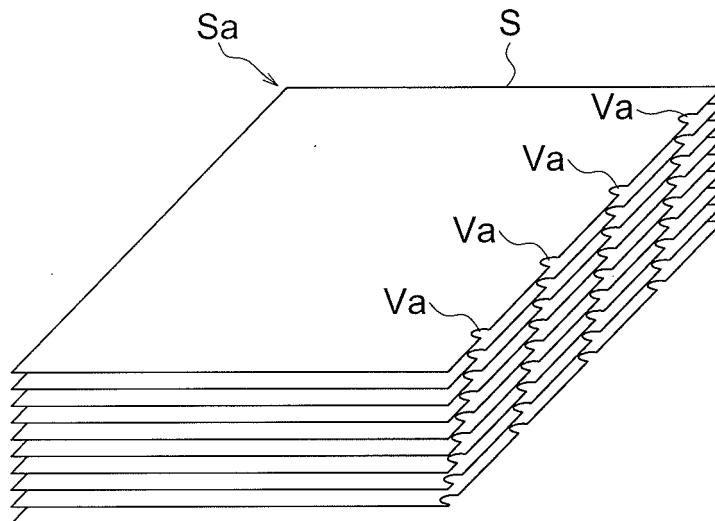
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(54) Notch forming apparatus, bookbinding apparatus and bookbinding system

(57) A control section of a notch forming apparatus shifts a position of a notch in the first direction for every single sheet or for every plural sheets. When number of

the sheets on which the notch is formed reaches at a criterion number, the position of the notch is shifted to a second direction which is an opposite direction in respect to the first direction.

FIG. 13a





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