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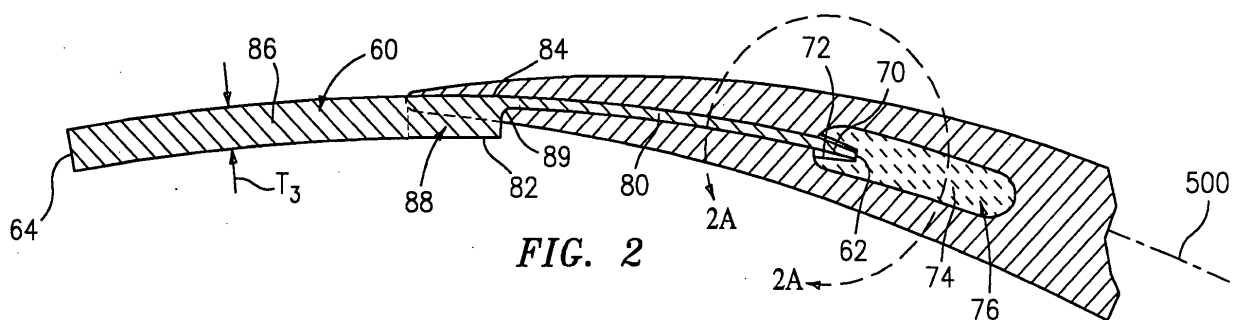
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(54) **Contoured metallic casting core**

(57) A method for manufacturing an investment casting core uses a metallic blank (60) having a thickness between parallel first and second faces less than a width and length transverse thereto. The blank is locally

thinned from at least one of the first and second faces (82, 84). The local thinning forms a taper on a leading portion of the RMC. The blank is through-cut across the thickness. The blank is inserted into the leading portion into a slot in a pre-formed ceramic core.





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