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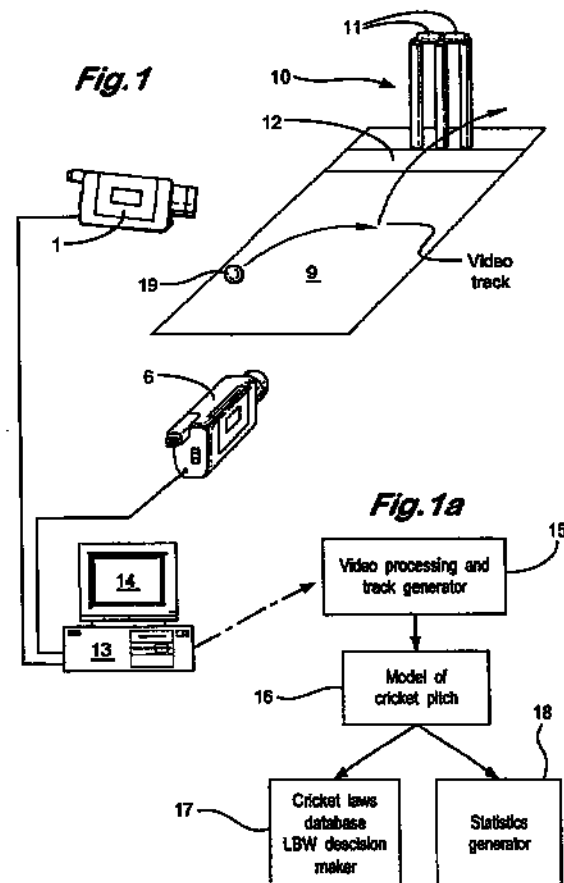
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(54) Abstract Title

Ball tracking and trajectory prediction

(57) A video processing system uses at two cameras to determine the 3D position of a ball in a series of frames. The future trajectory of the ball is calculated. The system uses at least four cameras so as to allow some redundancy in the system. The established trajectory is used to establish the likely occurrence of an event, principally for lbw determination in cricket. The location of the ball is preferably established by an algorithm that does not rely upon the colour of the ball. A statistics generator may be used to record data relating to the ball track to be used in the decision making process. The field of view of each camera may be minimised so as to maximise the resolution of the ball. The system may be automatic or manual, have active/idle modes and produce a virtual replay of the ball's trajectory.



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