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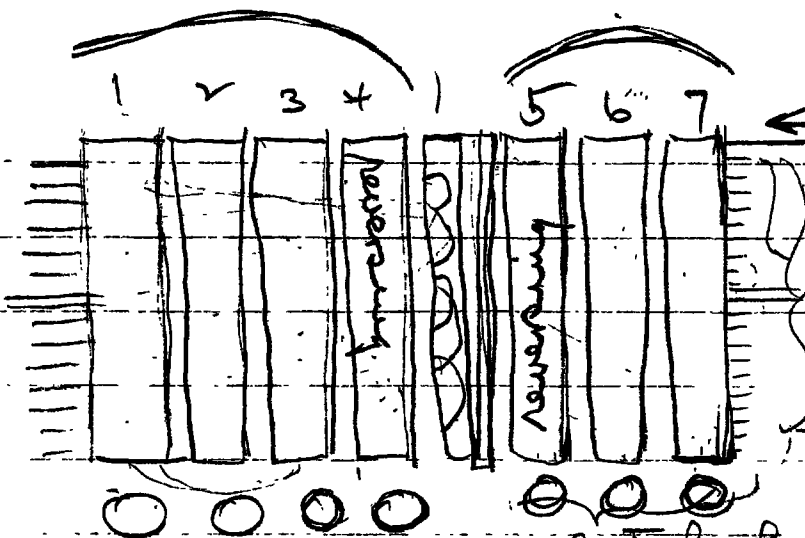
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17576



← 4 currents in 144

25 current-out currents
divided up into 4 groups;
in 3 groups of
one group
group 1-5
2-4
4-9
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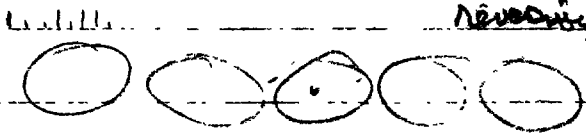
magnets for stepping, controlled by these

control wheels (same as cipher wheels)

These move in meter-like manner, universal bar steps wheel 7 once per depression, 6 once per 26, 5 once per 676 - total 17576

But five wheels are interchangeable, and two reversing wheels are also interchangeable, hence many series of "17576 keys"

$2 \times 10 \times 8 = 160$ keys of 17576 letters



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