Attuatore bistabile basato sull’attrazione elettromagnetica

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A tactile display for the visually impaired comprising a plurality of tactile pins (taxels) that may be individually actuated to produce graphic figures or Braille lines of characters. The taxels consist of a multi-magnet arrangement connected to the stimulating pin that exhibits two stable positions: either raised or flat. The application of a short duration electric pulse to a printed circuit underlying a taxel brings it to the raised position, after which pulse the taxel remains in said position indefinitely, without the need of further energy delivery. The taxels can be brought collectively to the non-raised position by mechanical action.

Braille display, visually impaired persons

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Bi-stable scalable actuation mechanism based on electromagnetic adhesion

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