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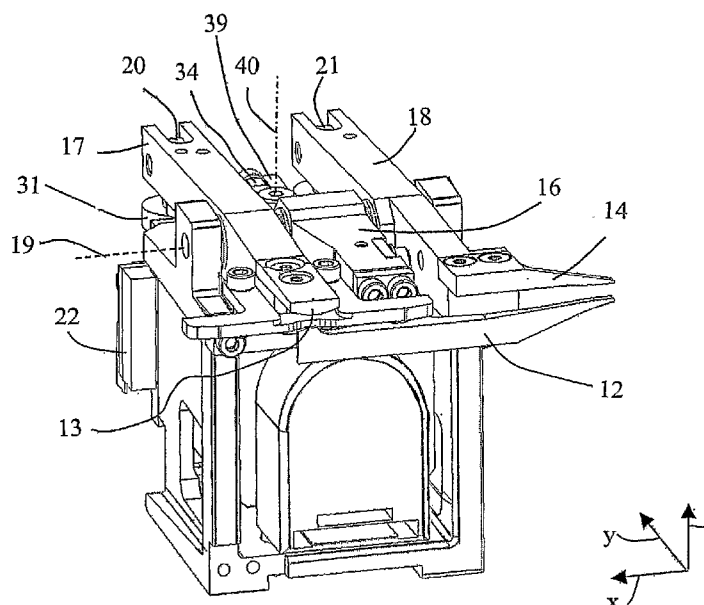
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(54) Title: GRIPPER WITH THREE JAWS FORMING TWO CLAMPS



(57) Abstract: A transport system of a wire bonder for the transport of a strip from an input magazine to the bonding area and to an output magazine comprises two grippers. The first gripper is a puller gripper adapted to pull the strip out of the input magazine and transport it to the bonding area. The second gripper is an ejector gripper adapted to transport the strip from the bonding area to the output magazine and to push it into the output magazine. The grippers comprise three levers (16, 17, 18) bearing on a common axis, a single motor and means for transforming the rotation of the motor into rotations of the three levers.

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