

CHIP DISPENSER AND METHOD OF OPERATING THE SAME

Abstract

A chip dispenser and a method of operating the chip dispenser are disclosed. The disclosed chip dispenser may comprise: a chip case including a base unit and a cover unit capable of being coupled to the base unit, wherein the base unit and the cover unit are configured to define a cylindrical accommodation area, a plurality of chips are accommodated in the accommodation area, and the chip case is provided with a pusher inlet and a chip outlet for discharging the chips; and a dispensing device on which the chip case is mounted, the dispensing device comprising a pusher member capable of entering and exiting the pusher inlet and a driving unit for driving the pusher member, and the dispensing device being configured to enable linear reciprocating movements of the pusher member by means of the driving unit. In a state in which the chip case is mounted on the dispensing device, the pusher member may be moved into the pusher inlet to push a chip inside the chip case, thereby discharging the chip through the chip outlet.

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