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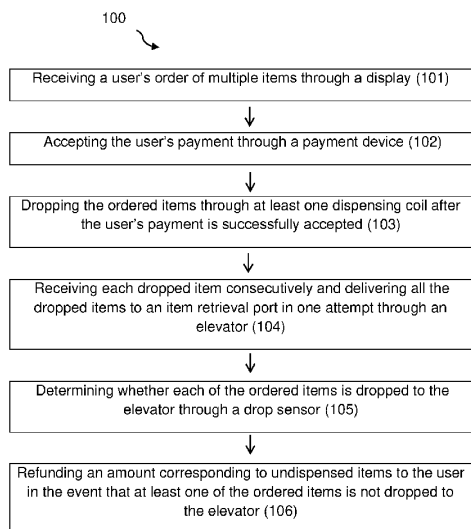


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a system for multiple purchases in a vending machine, comprising a display configured to receive a user's order of multiple items, and a payment device configured to accept the user's payment, in which the ordered items are dropped by at least one dispensing coil after the user's payment is successfully accepted. Further, an elevator is configured to consecutively receive each dropped item and deliver all the dropped items to an item retrieval port in one attempt, and a drop sensor is configured to determine whether each of the ordered items is dropped to the elevator, in which a certain amount is refunded to the user in the event that at least one of the ordered items is not dropped to the elevator. The present invention also relates to a method (100) for multiple purchases in a vending machine.

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