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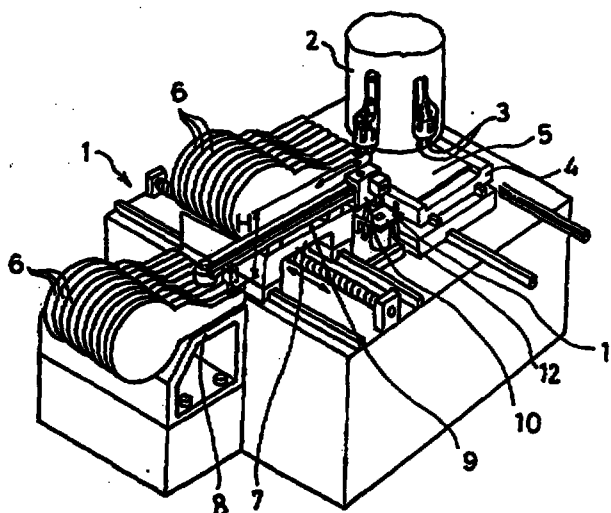
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(57) Abstract

A component feeding device (1) comprises a first feeder table (7) provided with a plurality of component supply units (6) aligned in parallel rows thereon, and arranged for movement in a direction of the parallel alignment, a second feeder table (8) provided with a plurality of component supply units (6) aligned in parallel rows thereon, and located behind the first feeder table (7), and a transfer unit (9) for receiving and conveying supplementary components from the component supply units (6) on the second feeder table (8) to a predetermined component feeding position. When a certain group of the components on the first feeder table (7) has been exhausted, their new supplies are picked up from the second feeder table (8) by the transfer unit (9), conveyed to the component feeding position, and placed on a board (5), thereby eliminating necessity for providing waiting spaces for feeder tables (7, 8) in a flow direction of boards (5) and increasing productivity with a compact arrangement.