

**Abstract****CONTAINER CRANE**

In the present invention, a container crane comprises a gantry device, a girder, a trolley, a spreader (10), a hoist mechanism, a laser scanner (22), and a crane control apparatus. The girder is supported by the gantry device and extends in the horizontal direction. The trolley is capable of traveling along the girder. The spreader (10) is hung from the trolley and is capable of engaging and disengaging the container. The hoist mechanism moves the spreader (10) up and down. The laser scanner (22) is provided in the spreader (10) and emits laser light and obtains the coordinates of the measuring point of an article of interest. The crane control apparatus controls the driving of the trolley and the spreader (10) based on the coordinates of the measuring point obtained using the laser scanner (22).

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