

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A nozzle is made not to obstruct the alignment of a container without an actuator. When the nozzle contacts the container before the alignment member does, the container is guided by means of a guide surface of the nozzle, the nozzle is lowered by a load applied from the container so that the alignment member contacts the container to align the container, and purge gas is injected from the nozzle into the container.

[Figure 3]