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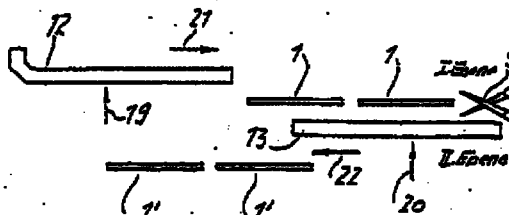
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a device for transporting a section of a product (1') that has been separated from a line of said product (1), said section of a product being transferred from a first transport means to a second transport means. The device has means for holding the separated section of a product (1'). The direction of transport (5) of the first transport means is oriented parallel to the longitudinal direction of the line of the product, while the direction of transport (6) of the second transport means is oriented crosswise to the longitudinal direction of the line of the product. The section of the product (1') can be displaced from the plane (I.) of the first transport means into the plane (II.) of the second transport means and delivered to said second transport means by a clamping means (2). The aim of the invention is to provide a transport device of this type which can reach a high number of cycles. To this end, each clamping device (2) consists of a pair of clamping jaws (12, 13), the individual clamping jaws (12, 13) being displaceable independently of each other, vertically in relation to the planes of the line of the product (1) or the sections of the product (1') and parallel to the direction of movement (6) of the sections of the product (1') and parallel to the transport direction (6) of the second transport means. In a first position, the clamping jaws (12, 13) clamp and hold the separated section of a product (1') in the plane (I.) of the first transport means, transfer the same into the plane (II) of the second transport means and can be moved to the second transport means. In a second position, the clamping jaws (12, 13) are moved from the closing position to an opening position, the first clamping jaws (12) extending forwards in the direction of the second transport means and then being returned to a third position from which they can be moved into the first position. In the second position, the second clamping jaws (13) can be moved away from the second transport means in the opposite direction to its transport direction, and moved back to the plane (I.) of the first transport means, from which point they can be moved back into the first position.