

Title (en)

A method and a unit for testing the quality of production in a line for manufacturing tobacco products

Title (de)

Verfahren und Vorrichtung zum Prüfen der Produktionsqualität in einer Produktionslinie für Tabakerzeugnisse

Title (fr)

Procédé et unité pour le contrôle de la qualité de la production dans une ligne de production d'articles à fumer.

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Abstract (en)

Single cigarettes (2) selected as samples at the outfeed stage (38) of a manufacturing line (1) undergo a systematic quality control operation, performed by a testing unit (46), that consists in verifying a given number of characteristics for each cigarette (2) and generating a set of signals each reflecting the quality of a respective characteristic; the succession of signals, each assigned a value on a predetermined scale, is represented in the form of a graph. Once a significant sample has been processed, the values assigned to all the characteristics of the tested cigarettes (2) are displayed in a table, ordered such that each column will serve effectively as a production report on an individual cigarette (2).

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