

Title (en)

Method and system for conveying and merging two or more groups of shingled mail items

Title (de)

Verfahren und Vorrichtung zum Transportieren und Zusammenführen von zwei oder mehr Gruppen von geschuppten Poststücken

Title (fr)

Procédé et dispositif de transport et de fusion d'au moins deux groupes d'articles postaux imbriqués

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Abstract (en)

A method of conveying and merging, at a relative intersection zone (CZ i ), at least one (i-1)th group (2) of shingled mail items with an ith group (2') of shingled mail items, the method including the step of : a) conveying the (i-1)th and ith groups (2, 2'), as of a start time (t START ), along respective paths to the intersection zone (CZ i ); the method also including the steps of : b) determining, for each group (2, 2') of shingled mail items to be conveyed and merged, at least the position (P (i-1)0 , P i0 ) of its head (2H, 2H') at the start time (T START ) ; and c) controlling start-off of each group (2, 2') to the intersection zone (CZ i ) on the basis of at least the position (P (i-1)0 , P i0 ) of its head (2H, 2H') at the start time (t START ). There is also described a conveying and merging system designed to implement the above method.

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