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Container emptying apparatus

Title (de)
Vorrichtung zum Leeren von Behältern

Title (fr)
Appareil permettant de vider un récipient

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Abstract (en)
Described herein is a method and apparatus for automatically emptying bottles (132, 134, 136, 138) from a crate (110) without the need for supporting each of the bottles (132, 134, 136, 138) during the process. A housing (140) is moved to surround and to engage with the crate (110) containing a plurality of bottles (132, 134, 136, 138). The housing (140) is closed to form an enclosure prior to being inverted. The enclosure is re-opened after inversion so that a base portion (112) of the crate (110) can be removed by an arm (170) leaving the bottles (132, 134, 136, 138) within the housing (140). The housing (140) is re-closed to form the enclosure and is then re-inverted prior to being re-opened to deposit the bottles (132, 134, 136, 138) on a delivery surface.

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