

Title (en)  
METHOD FOR BALANCING THE LOAD IN A WASHING MACHINE OR TUMBLE DRYER, AND WASHING MACHINE OR TUMBLE DRYER

Title (de)  
VERFAHREN ZUM LASTAUSGLEICH IN EINER WASCHMASCHINE ODER EINEM WÄSCHETROCKNER UND WASCHMASCHINE ODER WÄSCHETROCKNER

Title (fr)  
PROCÉDÉ D'ÉQUILIBRAGE DE LA CHARGE DANS UNE MACHINE À LAVER OU UN SÈCHE-LINGE, ET MACHINE À LAVER OU SÈCHE-LINGE

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Abstract (en)  
A method for balancing the load of laundry in a laundry drum (5) in a washing machine (1) or tumble dryer, comprises- carrying out, before performing a spin step (27) in a laundry treatment program, a laundry load balancing check step (29), and:- in the case of a balanced load, performing the spin step (27),- in the case of an unbalanced load, not enabling the spin step (27) and performing a balancing step (29) of the load of laundry, through a sequence of movements of the laundry drum (5) at lower speeds than the rotation speed of the laundry drum (5) during the spin step (27) and, after the balancing step (29), repeating the balancing check step (28) of the load of laundry until the load of laundry resulted to be balanced from the balancing check step (29),- varying the balancing parameters (rebal\_XXX) of a next balancing step (29\_n+1) with respect to the balancing parameters (rebal\_XXX) of a previous balancing step (29\_n) within the same laundry treatment program.

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