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Slicing machine carriage driving means

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A food slicer with a choice of product table operating modes incorporating a controller and a number of sensors. Operating modes include manual, servo-assisted and powered according to either predefined, or
- user defined parameters. There is also a learning mode in which the operator can arrange for the food slicer to store parameters from manual table movements for use in powered mode.

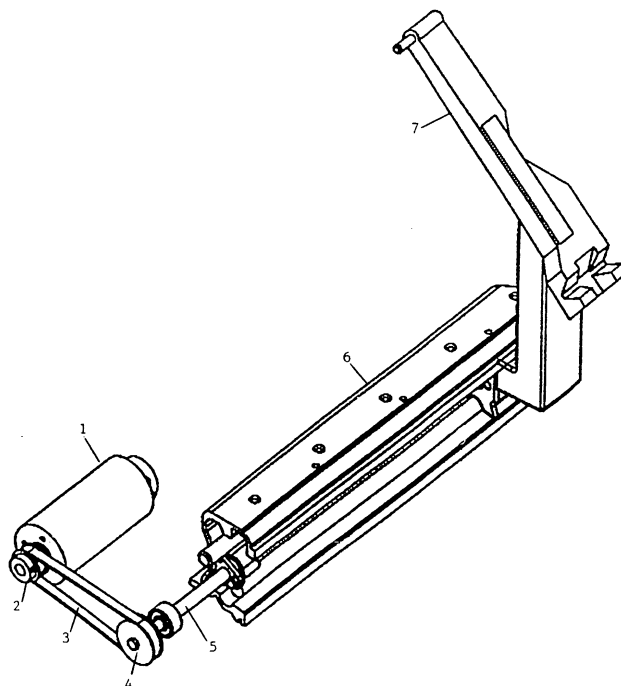


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