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(54) **Product driven in- line glue dot applicator and method for using same**

(57) A method and apparatus (100) are provided, for transferring pressure-sensitive adhesive segments (102) from a rolled flexible carrier release tape (126) to a workpiece, by directing the flexible carrier release tape (126) to a dispensing member (140) attached to a pivotable arm (106), and pivoting the arm (106) in such a manner that the dispensing member (140) clamps the flexible carrier release tape (126) against the workpiece. With the carrier release tape (126) clamped against the workpiece, relative linear movement between the carrier release tape (126) and the workpiece is initiated, in such a manner that the relative motion unrolls the flexible carrier tape (126) and moves one or more pressure-sensitive adhesive segments (102) into pressurized contact with the workpiece so that the one or more pressure-sensitive segments (102) are transferred from the flexible carrier tape (126) to the workpiece.

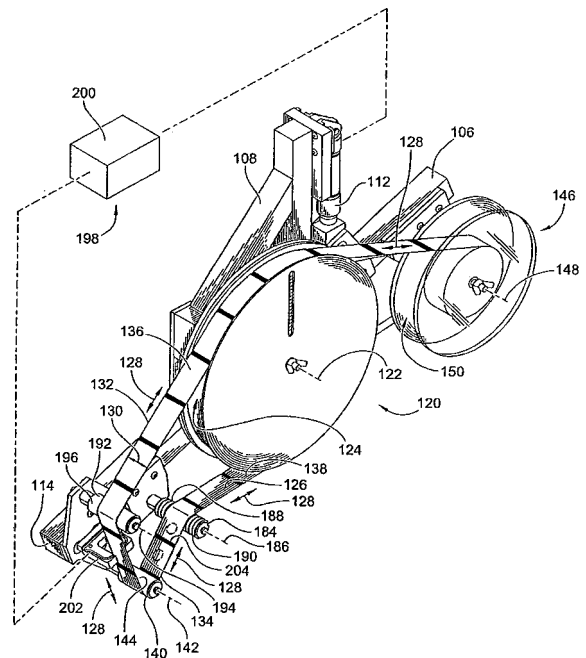


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