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(54) **BINDING MACHINE AND BINDING METHOD**

(57) A binding machine that binds objects with a tape, the binding machine includes a staple magazine unit configured to accommodate a plurality of staples, a main handle, a clincher arm configured to approach a leading staple of the plurality of staples and a clincher configured to bend the leading staple. The clincher has, on a surface thereof, a first groove that extends in an acute angle direction with respect to an axial direction of

a rotation shaft of the clincher arm and has a first groove length and a first groove width, and a second groove that extends in an acute angle direction with respect to the axial direction of the rotation shaft of the clincher arm and has a second groove length and a second groove width. The second groove is disposed offset with respect to the first groove in a width direction of the first groove.

FIG. 1

