Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A STRUCTURAL PART FROM CONSTRUCTION ELEMENTS AND ADHESIVE MATERIAL

Abstract: The invention relates to an apparatus for manufacturing a structural part from construction elements and adhesive material, comprising: a feed for individual construction elements, a displaceable gripper for gripping the construction elements supplied by means of the feed and for releasing gripped construction elements at a desired position, dispensing means for supplying means measured quantities of adhesive material for mutually connecting the construction elements, and a control for the displaceable gripper and the dispensing means. The invention also relates to a method for mechanical manufacture of a structural part from construction elements and adhesive material.
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