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(54) **HYDRAULIC BREAKER PROVIDED WITH
AUTOMATIC LUBRICANT SUPPLY
STRUCTURE**

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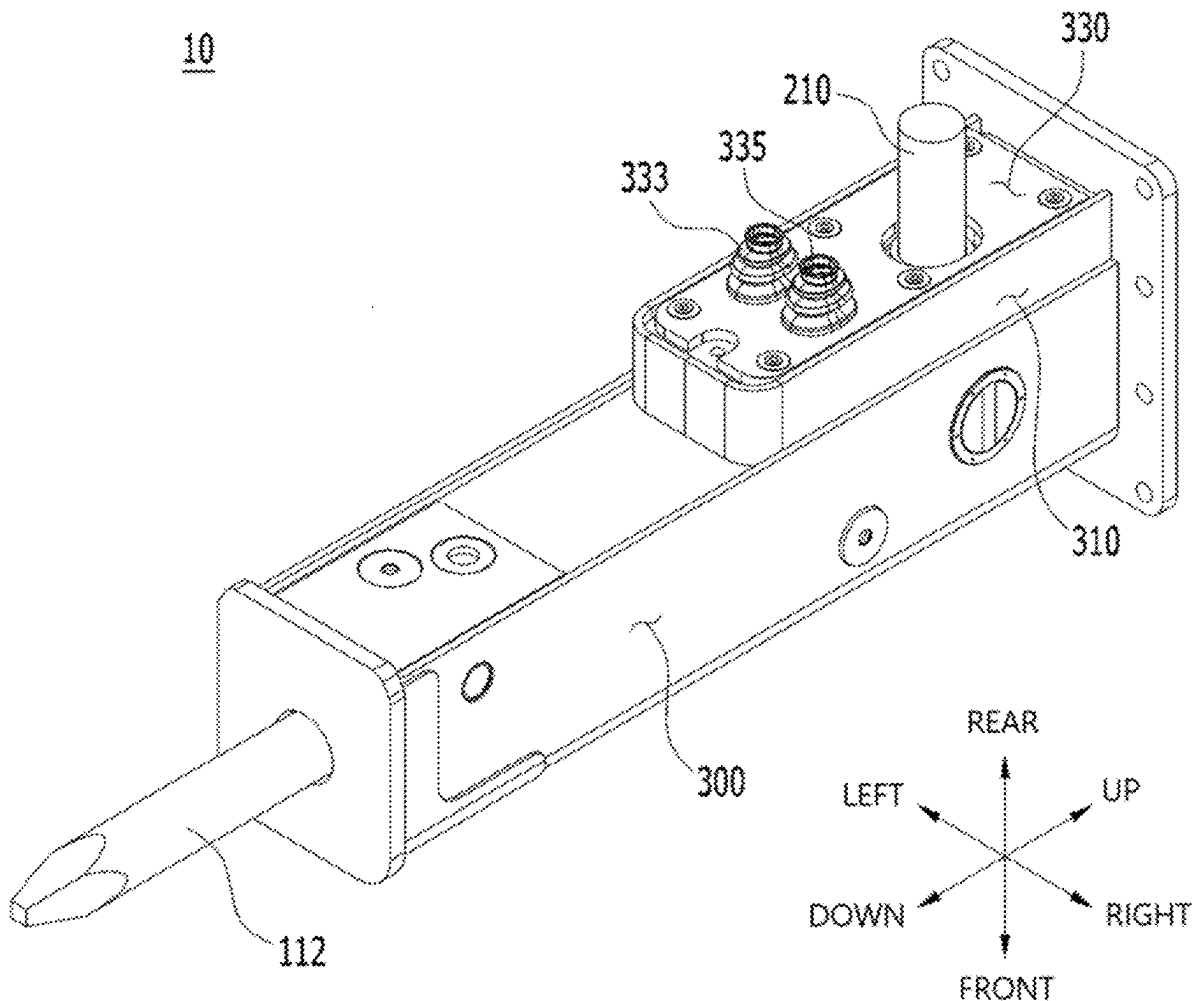
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ABSTRACT

A hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure is proposed. The automatic lubricant supply structure is configured to automatically supply a lubricant without a separate hose, using a working fluid, and is disposed in the body of the hydraulic breaker, and can be used without a separate external part.



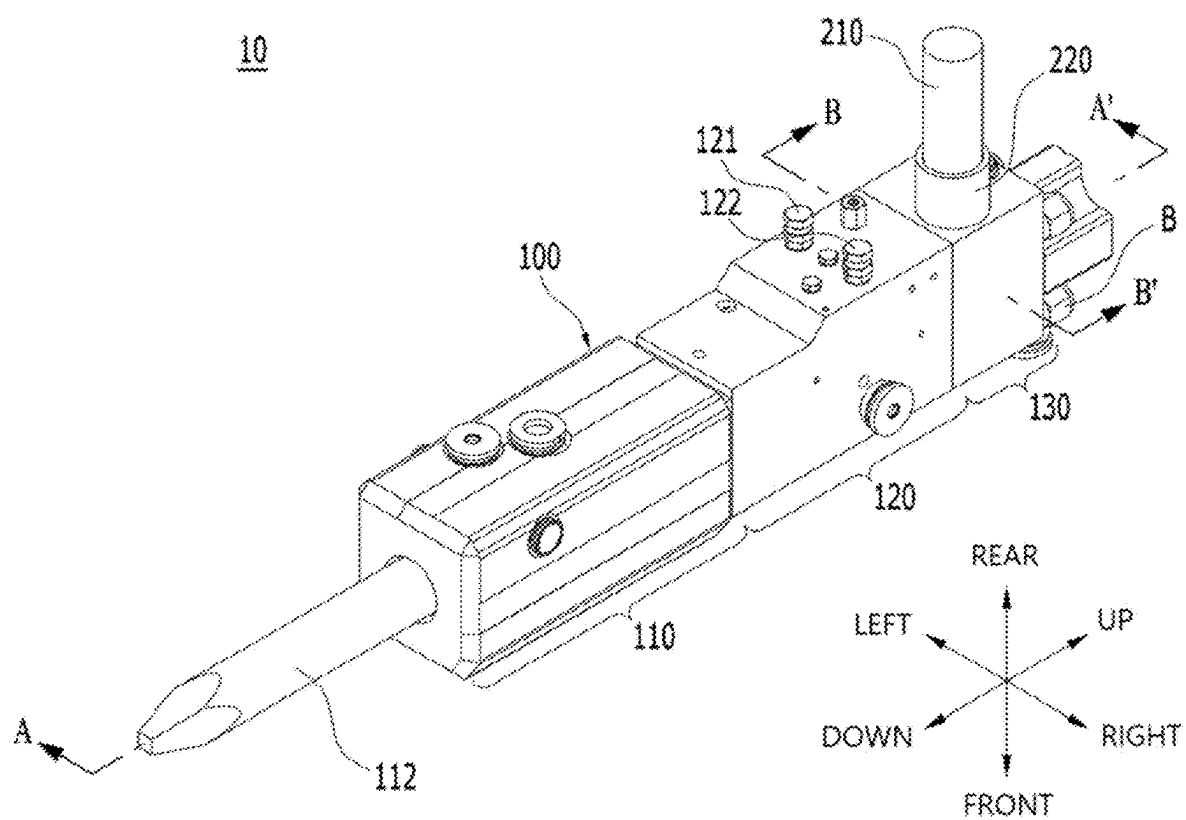


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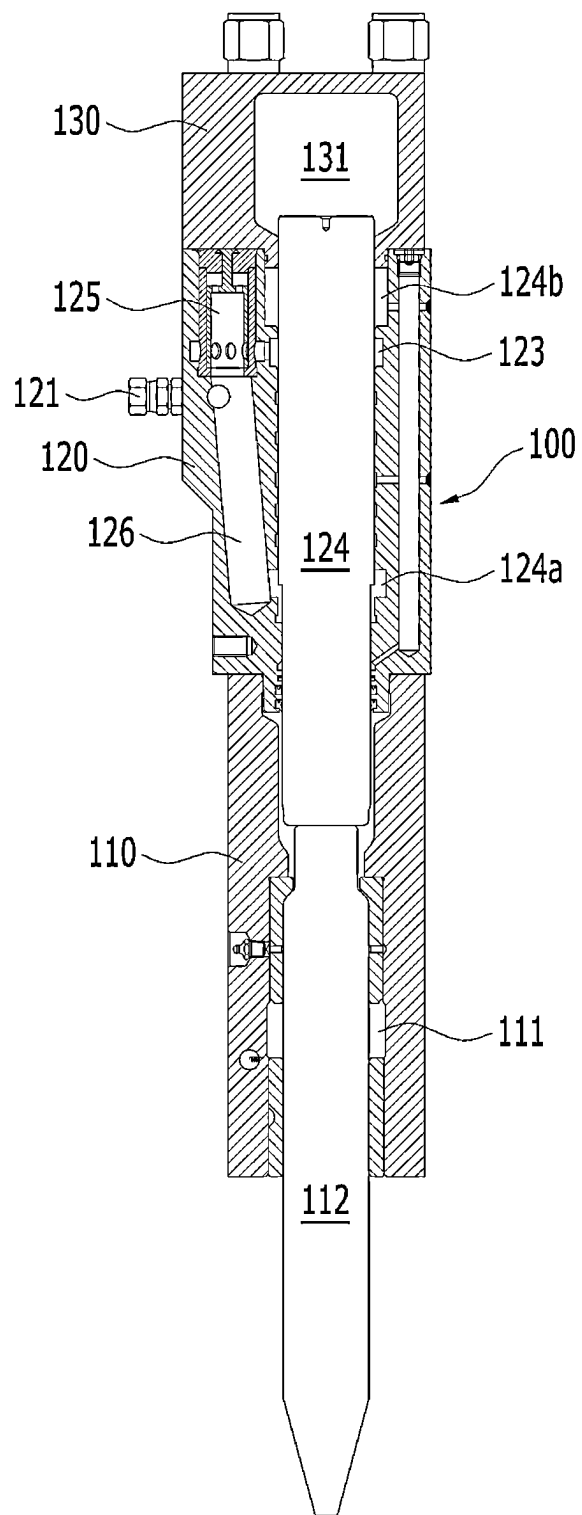


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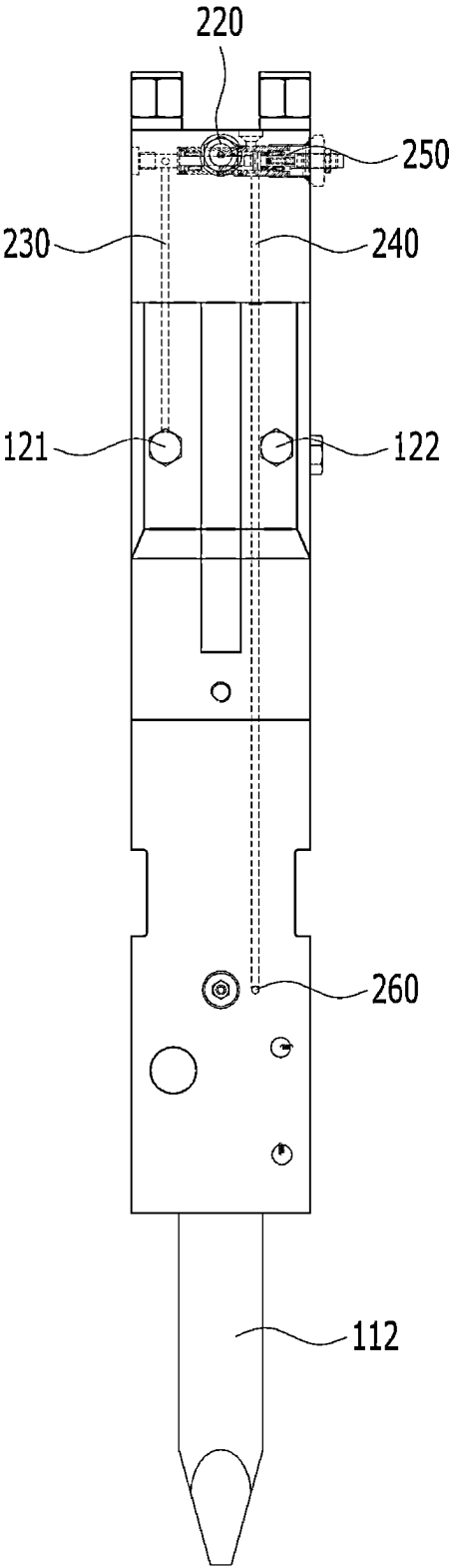


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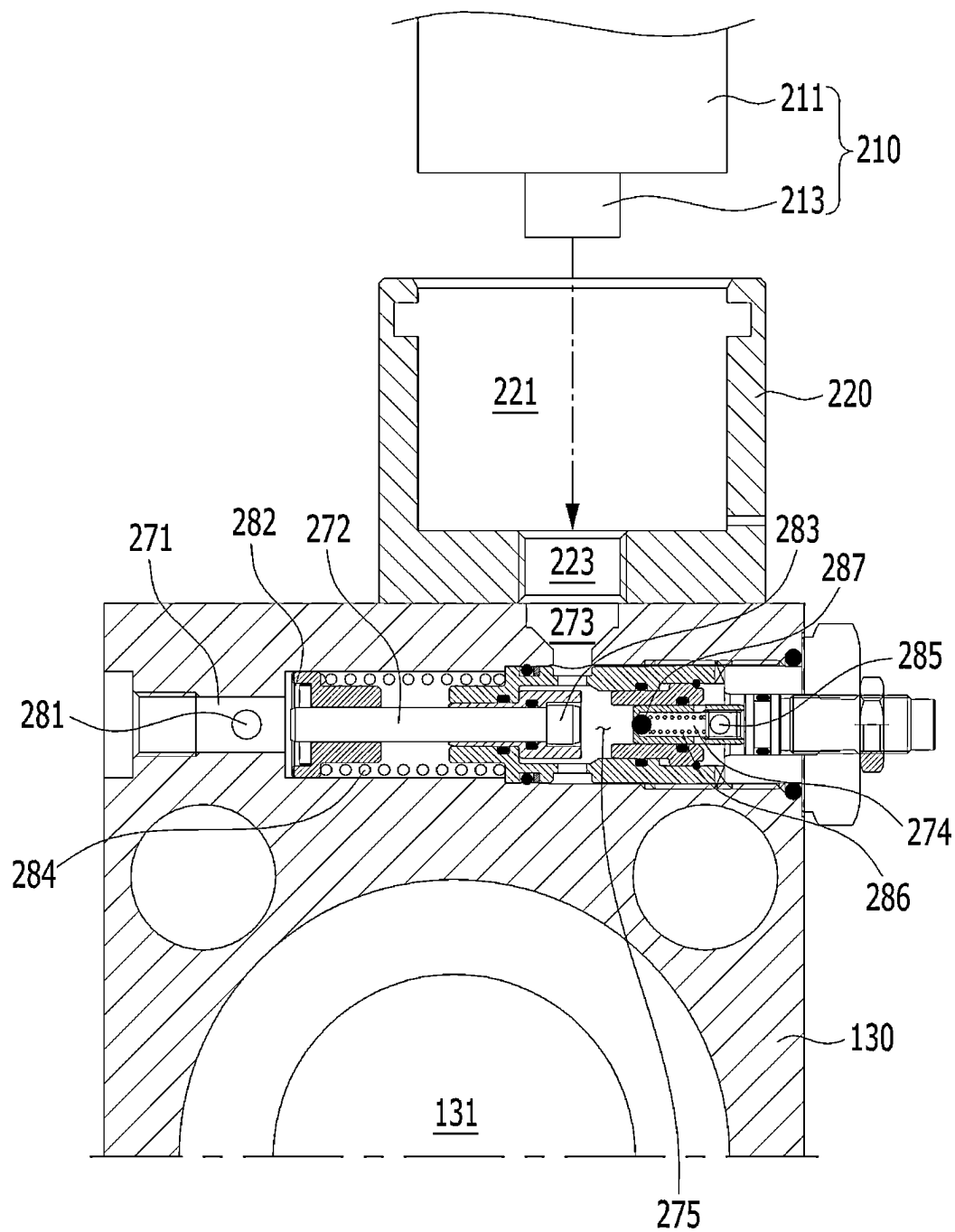


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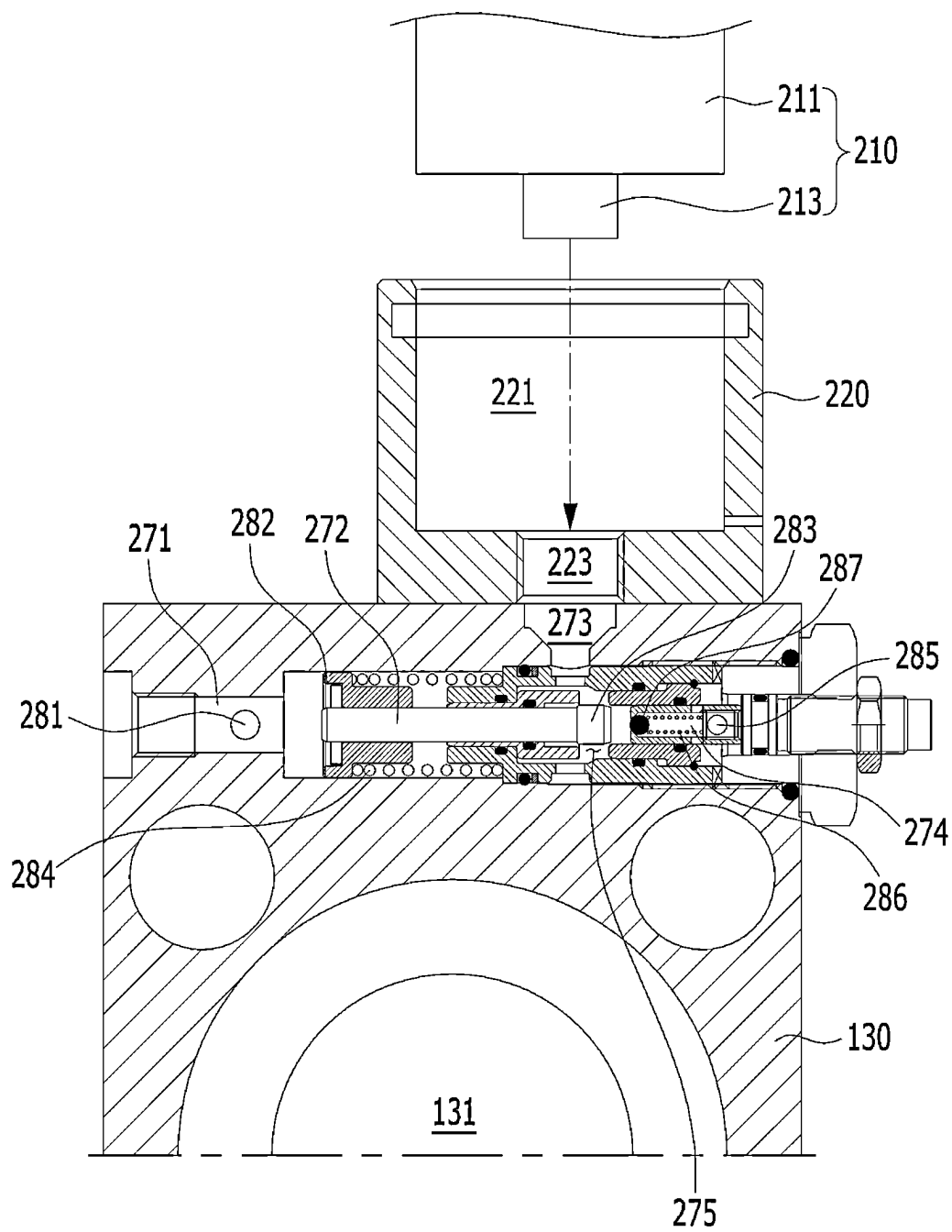


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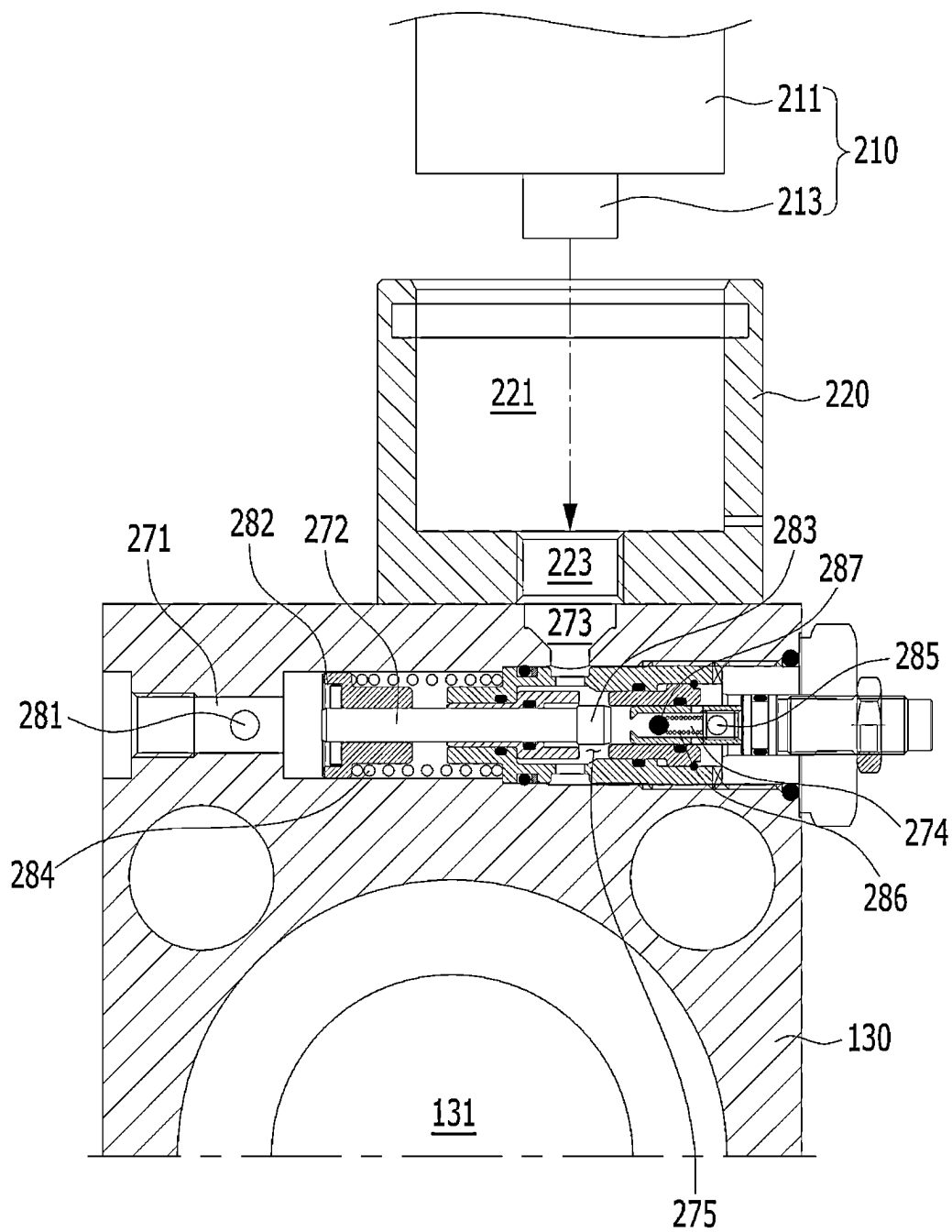


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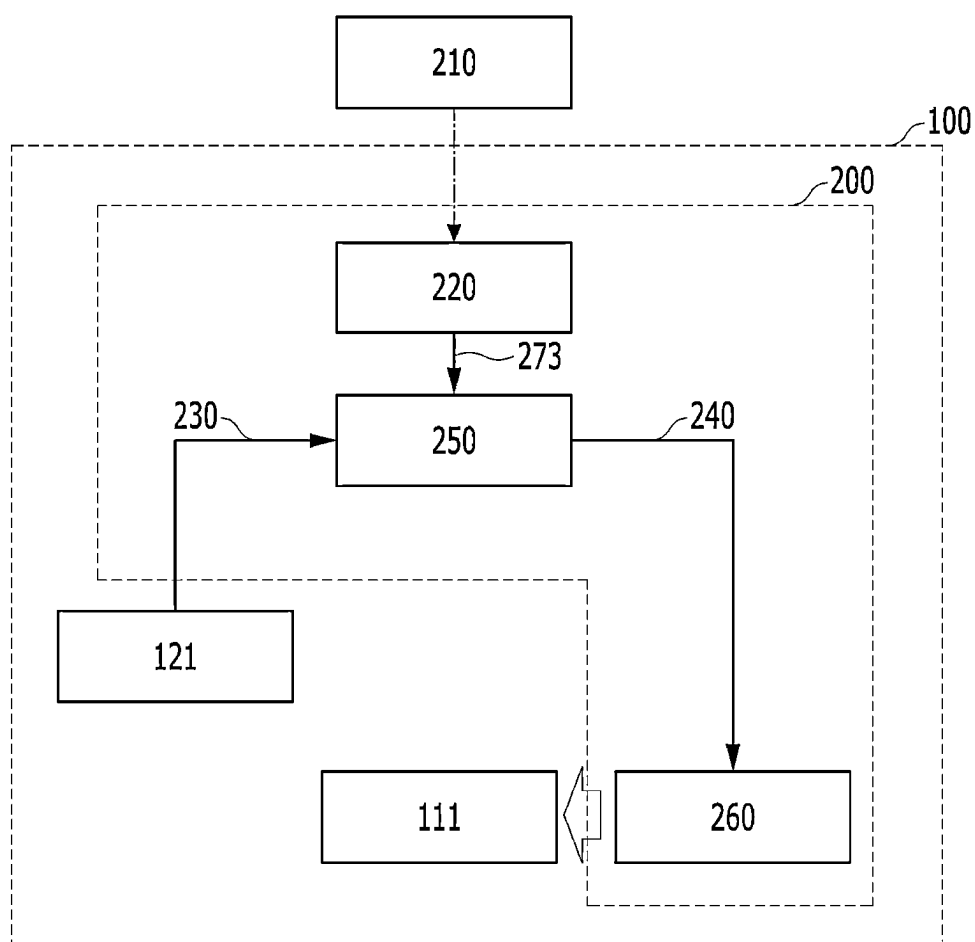


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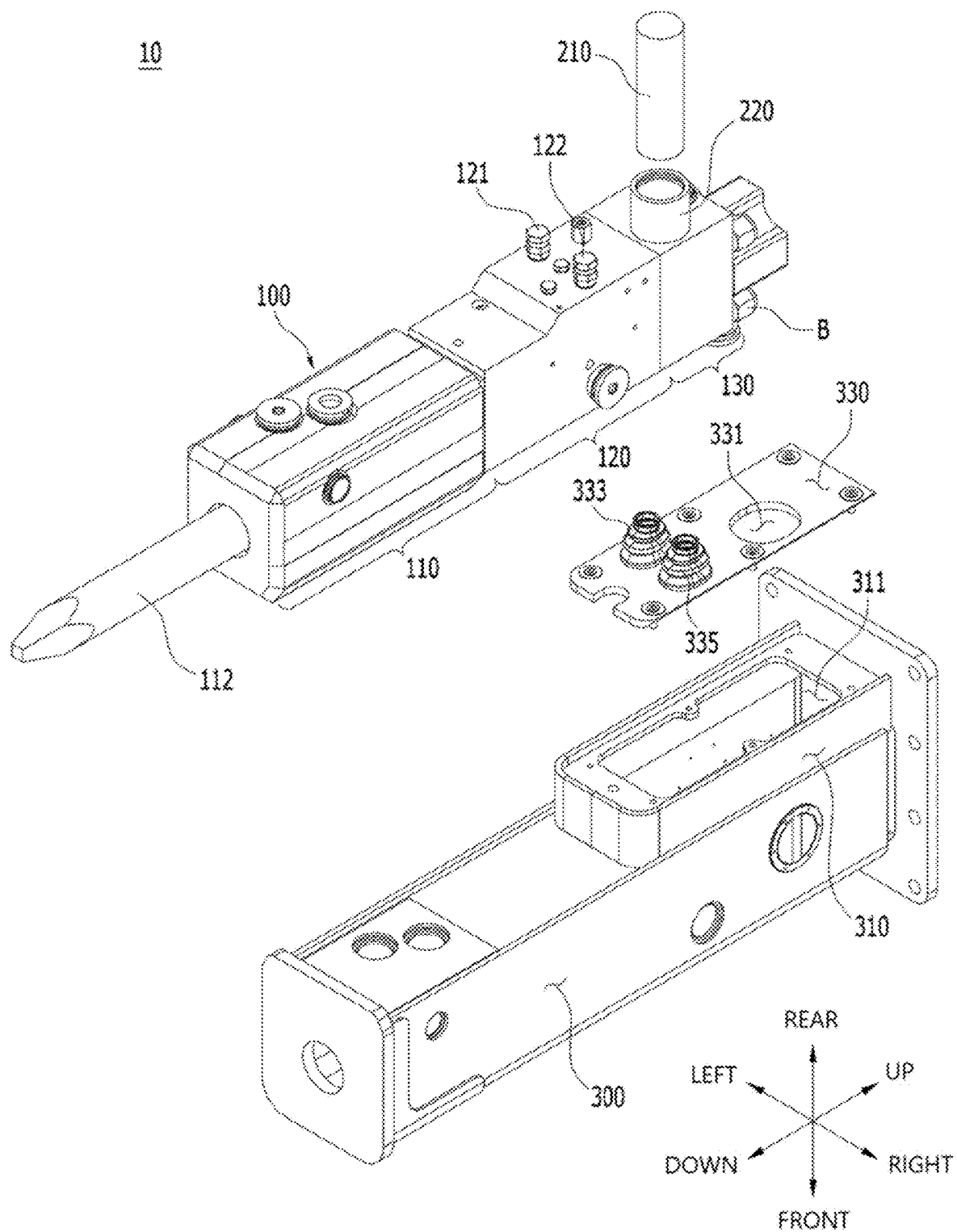


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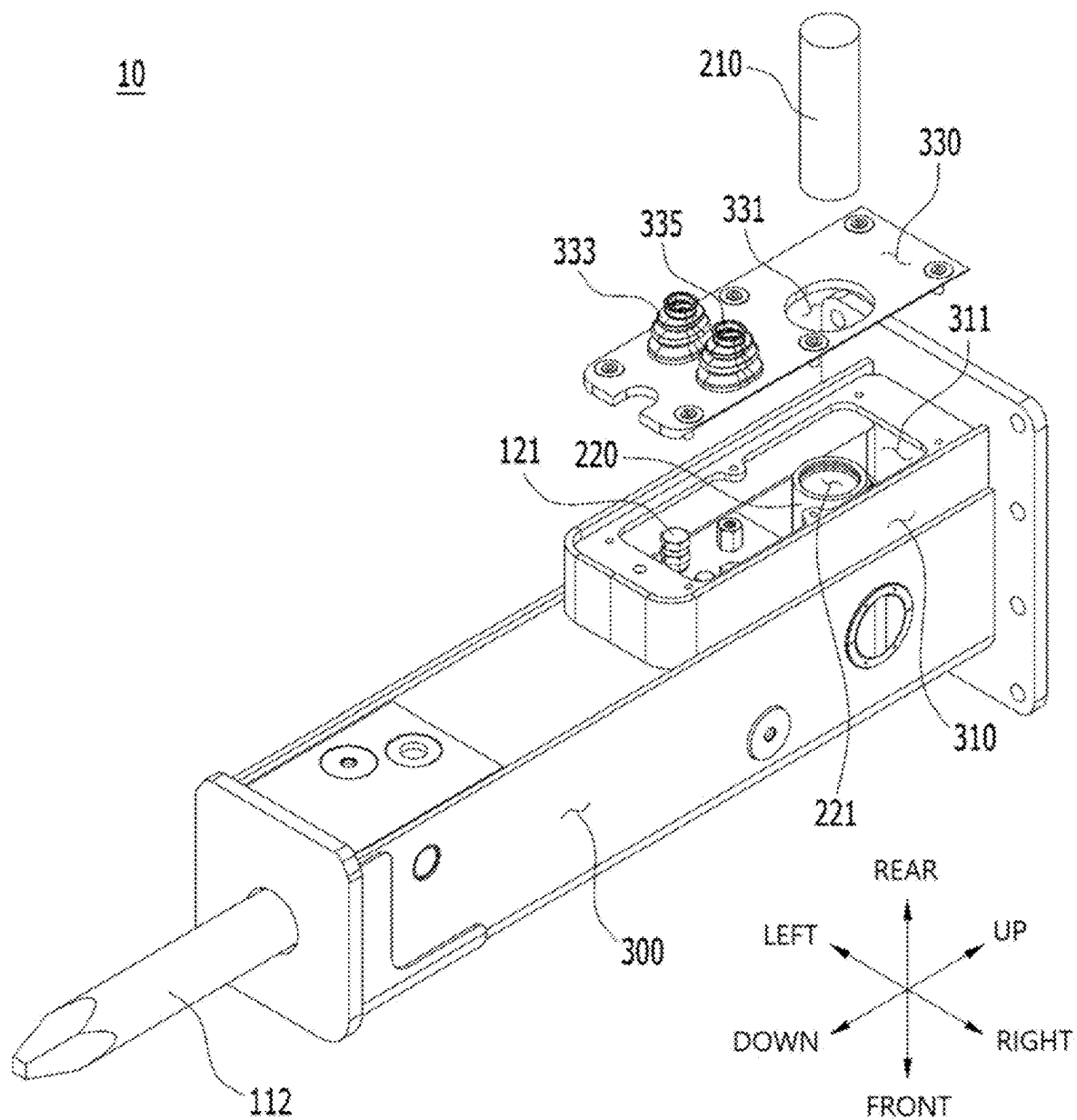


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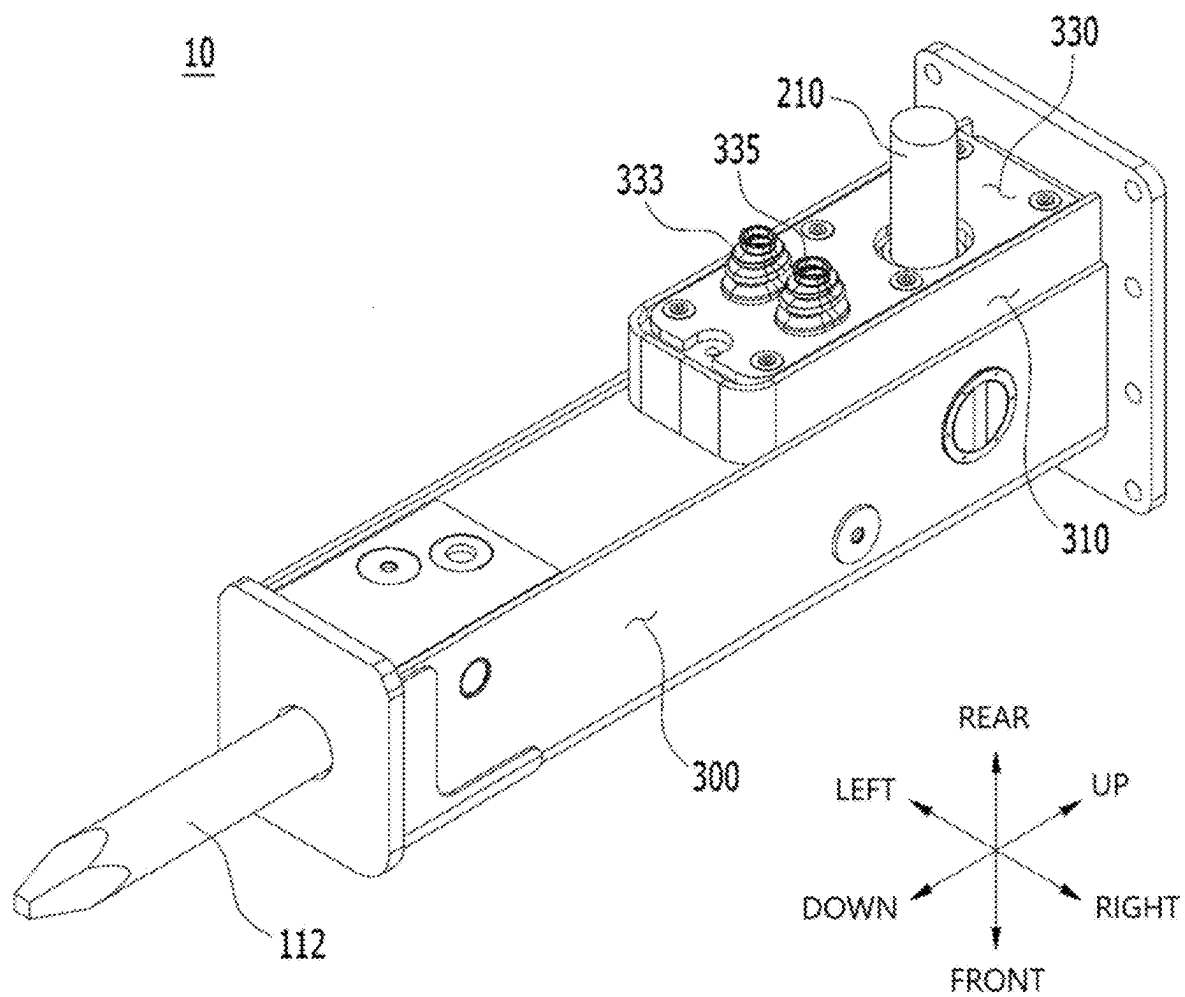


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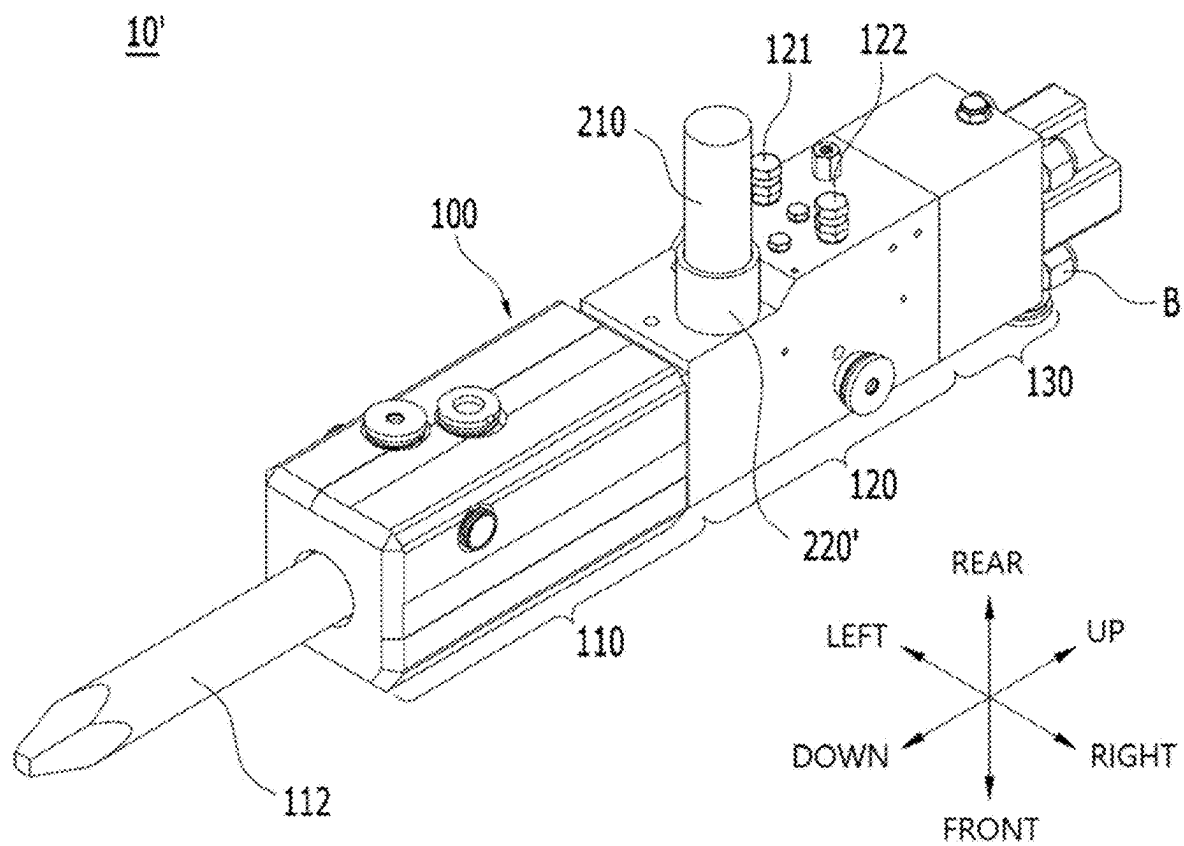


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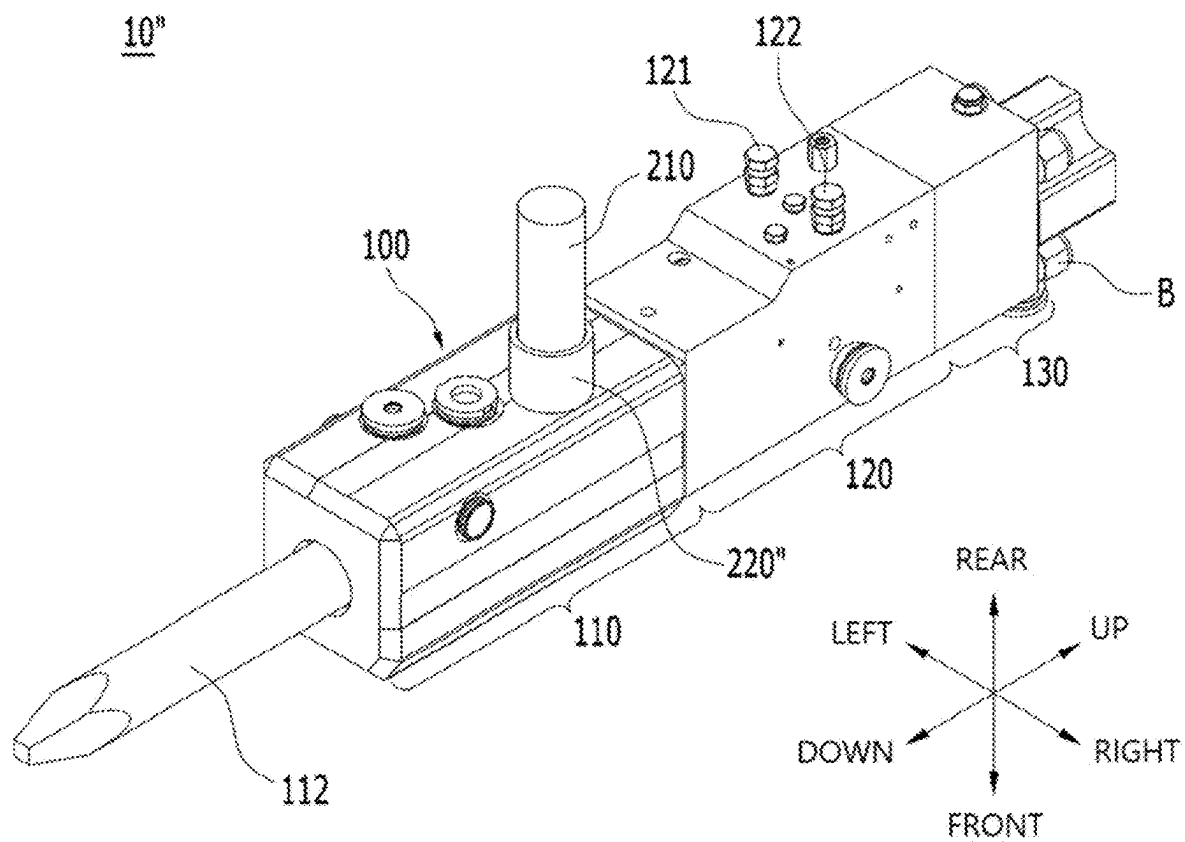


FIG. 12

HYDRAULIC BREAKER PROVIDED WITH AUTOMATIC LUBRICANT SUPPLY STRUCTURE

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 16/975,075 filed on Aug. 21, 2020, which is a U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/KR2018/006103 filed on May 29, 2018, which claims priority Korean Patent Application 10-2018-0057031 filed on May 18, 2018, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

TECHNICAL FIELD

[0002] The present invention relates to a hydraulic breaker and, more particularly, to a hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure.

BACKGROUND ART

[0003] In general, a hydraulic breaker is an apparatus that is mounted on construction equipment such as an excavator and breaks an object such as a rock and concrete using a hitting force that is generated by moving up/down a piston that is an ascending/descending member using power such as hydraulic pressure.

[0004] According to hydraulic breakers of the related art, a worker has to periodically directly inject a lubricant to prevent a chisel that is hit by a piston moving up/down from being worn due to friction, so there is a problem that the work efficiency decreases. Further, since a worker must periodically directly inject a lubricant, as described above, when the timing to inject a lubricant is missed, a supporting portion is severely worn, which causes reduction of lifespan of the piston and the chisel and severe damage to the hydraulic breakers.

[0005] In order to solve these problems, hydraulic breakers that automatically supply a lubricant have been developed, and such hydraulic breakers have been disclosed in Korean Patent No. 10-0908218 (hereafter, referred to as a 'patent document 1') and Korean Patent No. 10-0468942 (hereafter, referred to as 'patent document 2').

[0006] First, the patent document 1 proposes a hydraulic breaker that automatically supplies a lubricant, in which an automatic lubricant supply apparatus is integrated with the hydraulic breaker.

[0007] According to the hydraulic breaker of the patent document 1, a ball blocks a supply channel when the hydraulic breaker is not operated, so a lubricant is not discharged even though a pressure plate presses the lubricant in a lubricant chamber. Further, when the hydraulic breaker is operated, a chisel applies a reacting force to a piston and the reacting force applied to the piston is transmitted to the lubricant chamber and presses the pressing plate together with an elastic force of an elastic member in the lubricant chamber, so the ball blocking the supply channel is pushed up and the lubricant is supplied into a front head through the supply channel.

[0008] As described above, according to the hydraulic breaker of the patent document 1, since the supply channel is opened and the lubricant is supplied every time the piston hits the chisel, the lubricant is automatically supplied.

[0009] However, according to the patent document 1, when the chisel is hit, elasticity is generated in the elastic member due to vibration, etc., and accordingly the lubricant is supplied. Therefore, if vibration is generated even though the hydraulic breaker is not operated (e.g., when the hydraulic breaker is carried by a truck, etc.), malfunction such as supply of the lubricant may occur in the lubricant supply mechanism.

[0010] The patent document 2 proposes an automatic lubricator that is separately attached to the body of a breaker.

[0011] The automatic lubricator of the patent document 2 is separately attached to a side of a body and a grease cartridge filled with grease is detachably coupled to the automatic lubricator.

[0012] Further, the automatic lubricator has a hydraulic pressure entrance that is connected to a hydraulic line of an excavator, so when high hydraulic pressure is supplied into the automatic lubricator through the hydraulic pressure entrance, a valve opens and the grease in the grease cartridge is supplied to a breaker through a grease outlet.

[0013] According to the patent document 2, unlike the patent document 1, since grease is automatically supplied by high hydraulic pressure, it is possible to solve the problem of malfunction in the patent document 1.

[0014] However, according to the patent document 2, since the automatic lubricator is attached to a breaker as a separate part, the automatic lubricator is exposed to the outside. Accordingly, there are problems that 1) the automatic lubricator may be broken by fragments of a rock when the rock is broken and 2) the size of a breaker increases, so it may not be easily mounted on an excavator.

[0015] Further, since the hydraulic pressure entrance and the hydraulic line of an excavator are connected through a hose, the hose structure becomes very complicated when the hydraulic lubricator is mounted on a breaker. This is because since a breaker has an intake line through which a working fluid flows into the breaker and a discharge line through which a working fluid is discharged from the breaker to an excavator, when a separate hose is added, at least three hoses are required.

RELATED ART DOCUMENT

Patent Document

[0016] (Patent Document 1) Korean Patent No. 10-0908218

[0017] (Patent Document 2) Korean Patent No. 10-0468942

DISCLOSURE

Technical Problem

[0018] The present invention has been made in an effort to solve the problems described above and an objective of the present invention is to provide a hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure that automatically supplies a lubricant without a separate hose using a working fluid and can be used without a separate external part because it is installed in the body of the hydraulic breaker.

Technical Solution

[0019] In a hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an aspect of the present invention, the automatic lubricant supply structure is disposed in a body to supply a lubricant using a working fluid, and a lubricant cartridge is detachably directly coupled to the automatic lubricant supply structure.

[0020] The automatic lubricant supply structure may include a cartridge coupler to which the lubricant cartridge is coupled and that communicates with a lubricant supply line, and the lubricant supply line may include: a working fluid line that communicates with a working fluid inlet of the body; a lubricant line configured to supply a lubricant to a chisel; and a supply valve that communicates with the working fluid line, the lubricant line, and the cartridge coupler, and supplies a lubricant in the lubricant cartridge to the chisel through the lubricant line, depending on whether a working fluid flows inside through the working fluid line.

[0021] The body may include a cylinder, a front head disposed under the cylinder, and a back head disposed over the cylinder, the cartridge coupler to which the lubricant cartridge is coupled may be disposed at the back head, and the cartridge coupler may be positioned in the same plane as the working fluid inlet of the cylinder.

[0022] The hydraulic breaker may further include a bracket coupled to the body, in which the bracket may include: a housing in which the cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet of the body are accommodated; and a cover coupled to the housing and covering the cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet.

[0023] The cover may have a cartridge insertion groove that communicates with a body seat hole of the cartridge coupler, an inlet connector that communicates with the working fluid inlet, and an outlet connector that communicates with the working fluid outlet.

[0024] The cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet may be positioned on a rear surface of the body, and the housing may be positioned on a rear surface of the bracket to be positioned on the rear surface of the body when the bracket is coupled to the body.

[0025] The height of the housing may be larger than or the same as the protrusive heights of the cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet.

Advantageous Effects

[0026] The hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an aspect of the present invention described above has the following effects.

[0027] Since the automatic lubricant supply structure is operated by a working fluid, a lubricant is supplied only when the hydraulic breaker is operated. Accordingly, the problem of malfunction that a lubricant is supplied when a hydraulic breaker is not operated is solved, so an unnecessary waste of lubricant can be reduced.

[0028] Since the automatic lubricant supply structure is disposed in the body of the hydraulic breaker, it is possible to prevent the automatic lubricant supply structure from being damaged by fragments of rocks, etc. when breaking the rocks.

[0029] The structure of the body in which the automatic lubricant supply structure is disposed is simple and the space of the body is used, so it is possible to manufacture a compact hydraulic breaker.

[0030] Since there is no need for a separate hose in the lubricant supply line of the automatic lubricant supply structure, there is no need for a separate hose other than the supply hose and the discharge hose when connecting the hydraulic breaker to the hydraulic pump of an excavator. Accordingly, the hose structure is simplified, so free use of the hydraulic breaker mounted on an excavator is secured and high compatibility is secured in hydraulic connection between the excavator and the hydraulic breaker. Further, it is possible to prevent a specific hose from being damaged by rocks during breaking.

[0031] Since a lubricant is supplied by the lubricant cartridge that can be separated from the body, it is possible to simply supply a lubricant by replacing the lubricant cartridge.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[0032] FIG. 1 is a view showing a hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

[0033] FIG. 2 is a cross-sectional view taken along line A-A' of FIG. 1.

[0034] FIG. 3 is a rear view of the hydraulic breaker of FIG. 1.

[0035] FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view taken along line B-B' of FIG. 1.

[0036] FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view showing a pump spool that has been moved in the state of FIG. 4.

[0037] FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view showing a check valve that has been opened in the state of FIG. 5.

[0038] FIG. 7 is a schematic view of the automatic lubricant supply structure in the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

[0039] FIG. 8 is a view showing the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention and a bracket that is coupled to the hydraulic breaker.

[0040] FIGS. 9 and 10 are views the assembly of the bracket of FIG. 8 and the hydraulic breaker of FIG. 8.

[0041] FIG. 11 is a view showing a first modified example of the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

[0042] FIG. 12 is a view showing a second modified example of the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

MODE FOR INVENTION

[0043] The following description provides only the principle of the present invention. Accordingly, those skilled in the art may implement of the principle of the present invention and various apparatuses included in the concept and range of the present invention even though they are not explicitly described or shown herein. All conditional terminologies and embodiments described herein should be

understood as being definitely intended only on the purpose of understanding the concept of the present invention without limiting the specifically stated embodiments and states.

[0044] The objectives, features, and advantages of the present invention described above will be clearer through the following detailed description relating to the accompanying drawing, so the spirit of the present invention could be easily implemented by those skilled in the art.

[0045] Hereafter, a hydraulic breaker 10 provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure 200 according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention is described.

[0046] FIG. 1 is a view showing a hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, FIG. 2 is a cross-sectional view taken along line A-A' of FIG. 1, FIG. 3 is a rear view of the hydraulic breaker of FIG. 1, FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view taken along line B-B' of FIG. 1, FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view showing a pump spool that has been moved in the state of FIG. 4, FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view showing a check valve that has been opened in the state of FIG. 5, FIG. 7 is a schematic view of the automatic lubricant supply structure in the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, FIG. 8 is a view showing the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention and a bracket that is coupled to the hydraulic breaker, and FIGS. 9 and 10 are views the assembly of the bracket of FIG. 8 and the hydraulic breaker of FIG. 8.

[0047] As shown in FIGS. 1 to 3, and 7, a hydraulic breaker 10 according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention may include a body 100, a piston 124 reciprocating in the body 100, a working fluid channel 126 formed in the body 100 for a working fluid reciprocating the piston 124 to flow therethrough, a control valve 125 controlling flow of the working fluid, a chisel 112 configured to be hit by the piston 124, and an automatic lubricant supply structure 200 disposed in the body 100.

[0048] In the hydraulic breaker 10, the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 that supplies a lubricant using a working fluid is disposed in the body 100, and a lubricant cartridge 210 is detachably coupled to the automatic lubricant supply structure 200.

[0049] In other words, the lubricant cartridge 210 is detachably directly coupled to the automatic lubricant supply structure 200, without using a hose in a lubricant supply line.

[0050] The body 100 may be assembled by combining a cylinder 120, a front head 110 disposed under the cylinder 120, and a back head 130 disposed over the cylinder 120.

[0051] In other words, the front head 110, the cylinder 120, and the back head 130 are positioned upward from the bottom, and the front head 110, the cylinder 120, and the back head 130 may be fastened to one another by long bolts B.

[0052] The chisel 112 for breaking rocks is disposed in a first hollow 111 formed in the front head 110.

[0053] A working fluid inlet 121 and a working fluid outlet 122 are formed through the rear surface of the cylinder 120, and the piston 124 moving up and down in the cylinder 120 is disposed in a second hollow 123 formed in the cylinder 120.

[0054] The control valve 125 that controls the flow of a working fluid, which flows in the body 100 through the working fluid inlet 121, to a lower chamber 124a or an upper chamber 124b is disposed in the cylinder 120.

[0055] In detail, when the control valve 125 is closed and a working fluid is supplied through the working fluid inlet 121, the working fluid flows to the lower chamber 124a through the working fluid channel 126. On the contrary, when the control valve 125 is opened and a working fluid is supplied through the working fluid inlet 121, the working fluid flows to the upper chamber 124b.

[0056] When a working fluid flows to the lower chamber 124a, the piston 124 is moved up. When the piston 124 is moved up to the top dead center, the control valve 125 allows the working fluid to flow to the upper chamber 124b, whereby the piston 124 is moved down.

[0057] In other words, the piston 124 is controlled to repeatedly move up and down by the control valve 125. When the piston 124 moves down, the bottom of the piston 124 hits the top of the chisel 112, and the chisel 112 moves down and breaks the ground by the hitting force.

[0058] A gas chamber 131 connected with a hole in the cylinder 120 is formed in the back head 130 and is filled with nitrogen gas. The nitrogen gas in the gas chamber 131 serves to attenuate shock when the piston 124 reacts upward after hitting the chisel 112.

[0059] As described above, the operation of the hydraulic breaker 10 is achieved by a working fluid.

[0060] A hydraulic pump and a hydraulic tank of equipment such as an excavator are connected to the working fluid inlet 121 and the working fluid outlet 122 of the hydraulic breaker 10 to send a working fluid into the body 100 of the hydraulic breaker 10 and discharge a working fluid from the body 100.

[0061] In this case, the hydraulic pump and the working fluid inlet 121 are connected by a supply hose and a high-pressure working fluid provided from the hydraulic pump through the supply hose flows into the working fluid inlet 121. The hydraulic tank and the working fluid outlet 122 are connected by a discharge hose and a low-pressure working fluid discharged from the working fluid outlet 122 through the discharge hose flows to the hydraulic tank.

[0062] The automatic lubricant supply structure 200, as shown in FIGS. 1, 3, and 7, includes a cartridge coupler 220 to which the lubricant cartridge 210 is coupled, and a lubricant supply line communicating with the cartridge coupler 220.

[0063] The lubricant cartridge 210 has a body 211 in which a lubricant is kept, and an injection port 213 formed on the bottom of the body 211.

[0064] Threads (not shown) may be formed on the injection port 213 and may be thread-fastened to threads (not shown) formed in a body seat hole 221 of the cartridge coupler 220.

[0065] A body seat hole 221 in which the body 211 of the lubricant cartridge 210 is seated and an injection port seat hole 223 in which the injection port 213 of the lubricant cartridge 210 is seated may be formed in the cartridge coupler 220. In this case, the body seat hole 221 and the injection port seat hole 223 may communicate with each other.

[0066] The cartridge coupler 220 may be formed on the rear surface of the back head 130, so the cartridge coupler

220 is positioned in the same plane as the working fluid inlet 121 and the working fluid outlet 122 of the cylinder 120.

[0067] The body seat hole 221 and the injection port seat hole 223 of the cartridge coupler 220 may be formed to have a depth in the direction of a plane that is perpendicular to the rear surface of the back head 130 (that is, may be formed to have a depth in the front-rear direction of the hydraulic breaker 10). Accordingly, when the body 211 of the lubricant cartridge 210 is seated in the body seat hole 221 of the cartridge coupler 220 and the injection port 213 of the lubricant cartridge 210 is thread-fastened in the injection port seat hole 223 of the cartridge coupler 220, the body 211 of the lubricant cartridge 210 protrudes rearward from the hydraulic breaker 10, like the working fluid inlet 121.

[0068] In other words, when the lubricant cartridge 210 is coupled to the cartridge coupler 220, the lubricant cartridge 210 protrudes rearward from the hydraulic breaker 10 in the same way as the working fluid inlet 121 and the working fluid outlet 122.

[0069] As shown in FIGS. 3 and 7, the lubricant supply line serves to selectively supply a lubricant to the chisel 112, depending on whether a working fluid flows inside, and may include a working fluid line 230 that communicates with the working fluid inlet 121 of the body 100, a lubricant line 240 for supplying a lubricant to the chisel 112, and a supply valve 250 that communicates with the working fluid line 230, the lubricant line 240, and the cartridge coupler 220 and supplies a lubricant in the lubricant cartridge 210 to the chisel 112 through the lubricant line 240, depending on whether a working fluid flows inside through the working fluid line 230.

[0070] The working fluid line 230 is formed through the cylinder 120 and the back head 130 and has one end that communicates with the working fluid inlet 121 and another end that communicates with the supply valve 250.

[0071] The working fluid line 230 serves to operate the supply valve 250 by supplying the working fluid, which flows into the body 100 through the working fluid inlet 121, to the supply valve 250.

[0072] The lubricant line 240 is formed through the back head 130, the cylinder 120, and the front head 110, and has one end that communicates with the supply valve 250 and another end that communicates with a lubricant injection port 260.

[0073] The lubricant line 240 function as a passage through which the lubricant supplied from the supply valve flows to the lubricant injection port 260.

[0074] The lubricant injection port 260 connects the first hollow 111 formed in the front head 110 to the lubricant line 240, and accordingly, the lubricant flowing through the lubricant line 240 can be supplied to the chisel 112 through the first hollow 111.

[0075] As shown in FIGS. 3, 4, and 7, the supply valve 250 is disposed in the back head 130 and communicates with the working fluid line 230, the lubricant line 240, and the cartridge coupler 220. The supply valve 250 serves to supply the lubricant in the lubricant cartridge 210 to the chisel 112 through the lubricant line 240, depending on whether a working fluid flows inside through the working fluid line 230.

[0076] The supply valve 250 may include a first chamber 271 that has a first hole 281 that communicates with the working fluid line 230, a pumping spool 272 that is operated by a working fluid in the first chamber 271, a lubricant inlet

273 that connects the injection port seat hole 223 and the supply valve 250, a check valve 274 that has a second hole 285 that communicates with the lubricant line 240, and a second chamber 275 that communicates with the lubricant inlet 273 and the check valve 274.

[0077] The first hole 281 that communicates with the working fluid line 230 is formed in the first chamber 271.

[0078] The first chamber 271 serves to provide a space that is filled with a working fluid when the working fluid in the working fluid line 230 flows into the first chamber 271 through the first hole 281.

[0079] The pumping spool 272 has a pressing surface 282 on a side (the left side in FIG. 4) and a protruding end on another side (the right side in FIG. 4).

[0080] If a working fluid flows into the first chamber 271 and rises in the first chamber 271, the pressing surface 282 of the pumping spool 272 is pressed by the working fluid and an end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is moved to another side (the right side in FIG. 4). The end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is positioned in the second chamber 275 in this way.

[0081] The pumping spool 272 has a pumping spool spring 284 and the pumping spool spring 284 serves to move the end 283 of the pumping spool 272 to a side (the left side in FIG. 4), that is, serves to return the pumping spool 272 to the initial position using an elastic restoring force.

[0082] Hereafter, the operation process of the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 of the hydraulic breaker 10 according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention is described with reference to FIGS. 3 to 7.

[0083] When the hydraulic breaker 10 is started by starting a hydraulic pump of an excavator, high-pressure working fluid pumped up from the hydraulic pump flows into the body 100 of the hydraulic breaker 10 through the supply hose and the working fluid inlet 121.

[0084] As described above, some of the high-pressure working fluid flowing in the body 100 flows to the working fluid channel 126 or the control valve 125 and takes part in up/down movement of the piston 124, and the other of the high-pressure working fluid flows into the first chamber 271 through the working fluid line 230 and the first hole 281.

[0085] When high-pressure working fluid flows in the first chamber 271, the high-pressure working fluid presses the pressing surface 282 of the pumping spool 272, whereby, as shown in FIG. 5, the end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is moved to another side, that is, the right side. This is because the pressing force of the high-pressure working fluid is larger than the elastic restoring force of the pumping spool spring 284 of the pumping spool 272.

[0086] In this case, the second chamber 273 has been filled with a lubricant that has been kept in the body 211 of the lubricant cartridge 210 through the injection port 213 of the lubricant cartridge 210 and the lubricant inlet 273.

[0087] Accordingly, as shown in FIG. 5, as the end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is moved to the left side, the end 283 pushes the lubricant out of the second chamber 275 and a ball 287 of the check valve 274 is moved to another side, that is, the right side by the pressing force of the lubricant, as shown in FIG. 6, whereby the check valve 274 is opened.

[0088] As the check valve 274 is opened, the lubricant in the second chamber 275 flows to the lubricant line 240 through the second hole 285 and is injected into the first hollow 111 of the front head 110 through the lubricant injection port 260, whereby the lubricant is supplied

between the chisel 112 and the inner surface of the front head 110, that is, the inner surface of the first hollow 111.

[0089] If when the operation of the hydraulic breaker 10 is stopped by stopping the operation of the hydraulic pump of the excavator, inflow of a high-pressure working fluid to the first chamber 271 is stopped, so the end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is moved left and returned to the initial position by the elastic restoring force of the pumping spool spring 284.

[0090] As the end 283 of the pumping spool 272 is returned to the initial position (the position in FIG. 4), the pressing force of the lubricant in the second chamber 275 is removed, so the ball 287 of the check valve 274 is also moved left and returned to the initial position (the position in FIGS. 4 and 5) by the elastic restoring force of the check valve spring 286, whereby the check valve 274 is closed. Therefore, supply of a lubricant through the lubricant line 240 is stopped.

[0091] The hydraulic breaker 10 provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure 200 having the configuration described above in accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the present invention has the following effects.

[0092] Since the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 is operated by a working fluid, a lubricant is supplied only when the hydraulic breaker 10 is operated. Accordingly, it is possible to solve the problem of malfunction in the hydraulic breakers of the related art that a lubricant is supplied when a hydraulic breaker is not operated, thereby being able to reduce an unnecessary waste of lubricant.

[0093] Since the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 is disposed in the body 100 of the hydraulic breaker 10, it is possible to prevent the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 from being damaged by fragments of rocks, etc. when breaking the rocks, unlike the hydraulic breakers of the related art. The built-in structure of the body of the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 is simple and the space of the body 100 is used, so it is possible to manufacture a compact hydraulic breaker 10.

[0094] Since the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 is disposed in the body 100 of the hydraulic breaker 10, there is no need for a separate hose in the lubricant supply line, so there is no need for a separate hose other than the supply hose and the discharge hose when connecting the hydraulic breaker 10 to the hydraulic pump of an excavator. Accordingly, the hose structure is simplified, so free use of the hydraulic breaker 10 mounted on an excavator is secured and high compatibility is secured in hydraulic connection between the excavator and the hydraulic breaker 10.

[0095] Further, it is possible to prevent a separate hose from being damaged by rocks generated in breaking.

[0096] Since a lubricant is supplied by the lubricant cartridge 210 that can be separated from the body 100, it is possible to simply supply a lubricant by replacing the lubricant cartridge 210.

[0097] The hydraulic breaker 10 according to an exemplar embodiment of the present invention described above may further include a bracket 300 that is coupled to the body 100, as shown in FIGS. 8 to 10.

[0098] The bracket 300 includes: a housing 310 formed on the rear surface of the bracket 300 and accommodating the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122 of the body 100; and a cover 330

coupled to the housing 310 and covering the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122.

[0099] The housing 310 is positioned on the rear surface of the bracket 300 and a housing groove 311 is formed at the center of the housing 310.

[0100] The height of the housing 310 is larger than or the same as the protrusive heights of the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122.

[0101] Accordingly, as shown in FIG. 9, when the bracket 300 is coupled to the body 100, the housing 310 is positioned on the rear surface of the body 100.

[0102] Further, since the housing groove 311 is formed, the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122 can be easily accommodated in the housing 310.

[0103] The cover 330 is coupled to the housing 310 and serves to cover the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122.

[0104] The cover 330 has a cartridge insertion groove 331 that communicates with the body seat hole 221 of the cartridge coupler 220, an inlet connector 333 that communicates with the working fluid inlet 121, and an outlet connector 335 that communicates with the working fluid outlet 122.

[0105] When the cover 330 is coupled to the housing 310, the inlet connector 333 communicates with the working fluid inlet 121 and the outlet connector 335 communicates with the working fluid outlet 122. In this case, the supply hose described above is connected to the working fluid inlet 121 and the discharge hose is connected to the working fluid outlet 122.

[0106] Further, when the cover 330 is coupled to the housing 310, the lubricant cartridge 210 may be inserted by the cartridge insertion groove 331. Accordingly, even though the cover 330 is coupled, the lubricant cartridge 210 can be easily coupled to the cartridge coupler 220.

[0107] As described above, since the cartridge coupler 220 is formed on the rear surface of the body 100, that is, the rear surface of the back head 130, the housing 310 may be formed to have a position corresponding to the cylinder 120 and the back head 130 of the body 100.

[0108] Further, as described above, since the cartridge coupler 220 is positioned in the same plane as the working fluid inlet 121 and the working fluid outlet 122 of the cylinder 120, that is, is positioned on the rear surface of the body 100, the cartridge coupler 220 can be easily accommodated in the housing 310 of the bracket 300. Accordingly, when the bracket 300 is coupled to the body 100, the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122 are prevented from being exposed outside the hydraulic breaker 10. Therefore, it is possible to prevent damage to the cartridge coupler 220, the working fluid inlet 121, and the working fluid outlet 122.

[0109] Hereafter, various modified examples of the hydraulic breaker 10 provided with the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention are described.

[0110] FIG. 11 is a view showing a first modified example of the hydraulic breaker provided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention and FIG. 12 is a view showing a second modified example of the hydraulic breaker pro-

vided with an automatic lubricant supply structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

[0111] Although the cartridge coupler 220 of the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 is disposed at the back head 130 in the description of the hydraulic breaker 10 provided with the automatic lubricant supply structure 200 according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, a cartridge coupler 220' may be disposed at the cylinder 120, as shown in FIG. 11, or a cartridge coupler 220" may be disposed at the front head 110, as shown in FIG. 12.

[0112] A hydraulic breaker 10' according to a first modified example shown in FIG. 11 has a cartridge coupler 220' at the cylinder 120. In this case, a working fluid line of the automatic lubricant supply structure may be formed in the cylinder 120 and a lubricant line may be formed through the cylinder 120 and the front head 110. Further, a supply valve may be disposed in the cylinder 120.

[0113] A hydraulic breaker 10" according to a second modified example shown in FIG. 12 has a cartridge coupler 220" at the front head 110. In this case, a working fluid line of the automatic lubricant supply structure may be formed through the cylinder 120 and the front head 110, and a lubricant line may be formed in the front head 110. Further, a supply valve may be disposed in the front head 110.

[0114] Although the cartridge couplers 220, 220', and 220" are positioned only on the rear surface of the body 100 in the description of the embodiment and modified examples, the cartridge couplers 220, 220', and 220" may be positioned on the front surface, the right surface, the left surface, the upper surface, and the lower surface, depending on the design, the use, etc. of the hydraulic breakers 10, 10', and 10".

[0115] Although the present invention was described through preferred embodiments, those skilled in the art may change or modify the present invention in various ways within a range not departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention described in the following claims.

<Description of the Reference Numerals in the Drawings>

10, 10', 10": hydraulic breaker	
100: body	110: front head
111: first hole	112: chisel
120: cylinder	121: working fluid inlet
122: working fluid outlet	123: second hole
124: piston	124a: lower chamber
124b: upper chamber	125: control valve
126: working fluid channel	130: back head
131: gas chamber	
200: automatic lubricant supply structure	210: lubricant cartridge
211: body	213: injection port
220: cartridge coupler	221: body seat hole
223: injection port seat hole	230: working fluid line
240: lubricant line	250: supply valve
260: lubricant injection port	271: first chamber
272: pumping spool	273: lubricant inlet
274: check valve	275: second chamber
281: first hole	282: pressing surface
283: end	284: pumping spool spring
285: second hole	286: check valve spring
287: ball	
300: bracket	310: housing
311: housing groove	330: cover
331: cartridge insertion groove	333: inlet connector
335: outlet connector	

1. A hydraulic breaker comprising:

- a bracket;
- a body coupled to an inside of the bracket;
- a piston provided in the body and reciprocating by a working fluid;

- a chisel provided in the body and configured to be hit by the piston;

- a cartridge coupler to which a lubricant cartridge is detachably directly coupled;

- a working fluid inlet connected to a hydraulic pump by a supply hose, wherein a high-pressure working fluid provided from the hydraulic pump through the supply hose flows into the working fluid inlet;

- a working fluid outlet connected to a hydraulic tank by a discharge hose, wherein a low-pressure working fluid discharged from the working fluid outlet through the discharge hose flows to the hydraulic tank;

- an automatic lubricant supply structure being configured to supply a lubricant from the lubricant cartridge using the working fluid; and

- a supply valve being configured to supply the lubricant to the lubricant injection port in response to a pressure of the working fluid,

wherein the automatic lubricant supply structure comprises:

- a working fluid line disposed in the body, the working fluid line having one end communicating with the working fluid inlet and another end communicating with the supply valve; and

- a lubricant line disposed in the body and configured to supply the lubricant to the lubricant injection port, the lubricant line having one end communicating with the supply valve and another end communicating with the lubricant injection port.

2. The hydraulic breaker of claim 1,

wherein the supply valve includes:

- a first chamber having a first hole that communicates with the working fluid line and filled with the working fluid through the first hole;

- a second chamber communicating with a lubricant inlet and filled with the lubricant of the lubricant cartridge through the lubricant inlet;

- a pumping spool provided between the first chamber and the second chamber and moved in one direction by the pressure of the filled working fluid in the first chamber so that the pumping spool pushes the filled lubricant in the second chamber; and

- a check valve provided on one side of the second chamber and having a second hole that communicates with the lubricant line, and

wherein the second chamber is provided between the pumping spool and the check valve, and the check valve is opened by a pressure of the filled lubricant in the second chamber.

3. The hydraulic breaker of claim 1,

wherein the body includes a cylinder, a front head disposed under the cylinder, and a back head disposed over the cylinder,

the cartridge coupler is disposed at the back head, and the cartridge coupler is positioned in the same plane as the working fluid inlet of the cylinder.

4. The hydraulic breaker of claim 2,

wherein the working fluid inlet and a working fluid outlet of the body are accommodated in the housing; and

the cover covers the working fluid inlet and the working fluid outlet.

5. The hydraulic breaker of claim 4, wherein the cover has a cartridge insertion groove that communicates with a body seat hole of the cartridge coupler, an inlet connector that communicates with the working fluid inlet, and an outlet connector that communicates with the working fluid outlet.
6. The hydraulic breaker of claims 2, wherein the cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet are positioned on a rear surface of the body, and the housing is positioned on a rear surface of the bracket to be positioned on the rear surface of the body when the bracket is coupled to the body.
7. The hydraulic breaker of claim 6, wherein a height of the housing is larger than or the same as protrusive heights of the cartridge coupler, the working fluid inlet, and the working fluid outlet.

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