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(54) **CLEANING EQUIPMENT**

The present disclosure relates to a cleaning (57)equipment includes a main body comprising a machine body and a base, an accommodation cavity is defined by the base and a roller brush rotationally configured by a driver is disposed in the accommodation cavity; a wastewater tank, configured on the main body, with a liquid inlet and a liquid outlet, wherein the liquid inlet connects through the accommodation cavity, and a first flow channel, respectively connects through the accommodation cavity and the wastewater tank; a negative pressure source, provided on the main body, generating negative pressure to lead dirt on a waiting to be cleaned surface to pass through the accommodation cavity and the first flow channel in sequence then be deposited into the wastewater tank; and a water supply tank, configured on the main body, connecting to a suction source and a water divider in sequence with a water outlet channel.

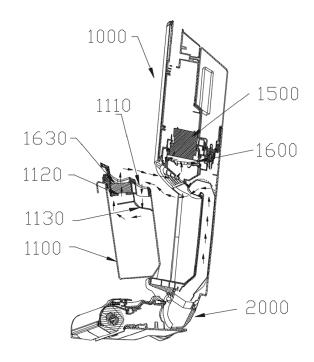


Fig. 1

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Description

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

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[0001] The present application claims priority to Chinese Patent Application 202210120529.1, filed on February 9, 2022, and U.S. Patent Application 17/895,854, filed on August 25, 2022. Chinese Patent Application 202210120529.1 and U.S. Patent Application 17/895,854 are incorporated herein by reference.

TECHNICAL FIELD

[0002] The present disclosure relates to the technical field of household appliances and in particular to cleaning equipment.

BACKGROUND

[0003] With the popularity of automated cleaning products, more and more families choose to use cleaning equipment such as mopping machines to clean their homes. Conventionally, the cleaning equipment integrated with washing and mopping functions needed to be equipped with a sewage tank that can be used to hold sewage and garbage. After the negative pressure source sucks sewage and garbage into the sewage tank, the airflow will be discharged from the sewage tank. However, this will easily cause the cleaning equipment to generate loud noises.

SUMMARY

[0004] An objective of embodiments of the present disclosure is to solve the above technical problems to provide cleaning equipment. In order to solve the aforementioned technical problems, an embodiment of the present disclosure provides cleaning equipment using the following technical solution.

[0005] A cleaning equipment, comprises

a main body, comprising a machine body and a base, wherein an accommodation cavity is defined by the base and a roller brushes is rotationally configured by a driver is disposed in the accommodation cavity; a wastewater tank, configured on the main body, with a liquid inlet and a liquid outlet, wherein the liquid inlet connects through the accommodation cavity, and a first flow channel, respectively connects through the accommodation cavity and the wastewater tank;

a negative pressure source, provided on the main body, generating negative pressure to lead dirt on a to be cleaned surface to pass through the accommodation cavity and the first flow channel in sequence then be deposited into the wastewater tank; and

a water supply tank, configured on the main body,

connecting to a suction source and a water divider in sequence with a water outlet channel, wherein at least one of a first distribution channel or a second distribution channel isdefined with the water divider, wherein the first distribution channel connects through the roller brush and the second distribution channel leads a liquid stream outwards from the main body.

[0006] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the water supply tank further includes a tank top section, a tank bottom section and a water storage cavity, the water storage cavity of the water supply tank are divided into at least two cavity sections along a direction from the tank top section to the tank bottom section, and anarea of cross sections of the cavity portionsis reduced gradually.

[0007] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, an air divider is provided on the negative pressure source and includes an air-dividing inlet and at least two air-dividing outlets, the air-dividing inlet connects to the liquid outlet provided with a filter assembly, the filter assembly is located between the liquid outlet and the air-dividing inlet, and the at least two air-dividing outlets connect to anexternal environment.

[0008] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the air divider further includes an airdividing shell provided on the negative pressure source, the air-dividing inlet is provided at abottom portion of the air-dividing shell and the at least two air-dividing outlets are provided atside portions of the air-dividing shell and located at two sides of the air-dividing shell symmetrically.

[0009] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the negative pressure source is located above the accommodation cavity, the air divider is located at abottom portion of the negative pressure source, the liquid outlet is provided at atop portion of the wastewater tank, the air-dividing inlet and the liquid outlet connect longitudinally, a flow gap is provided between an outer wall of the wastewater tank and an inner wall of the accommodation cavity, and the at least two air-dividing outlets of the air divider eachconnect to an upperportion of the flow gap.

[0010] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, at least one first unidirectional valve is provided, the at least one first unidirectional valve is located between the suction source and the water divider, the at least one first unidirectional valve is configured to connect to the suction source and the water divider under pressure formed when the suction source is turned-on.

[0011] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, at least one second unidirectional valve is provided, the at least one second unidirectional valve is located between the first distribution channel and the second distribution channel, the at least one of the first distribution channel or the second distribution

channel under pressure formed when the suction source is turned-on.

[0012] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, a water outlet structure is able to be provided on the water supply tank, the water outlet structure is located at abottom portion of the water supply tank, the water outlet structure includes a blocker and a water outlet and an air inlet connecting to the water storage cavity, the blocker blocks the water outlet elastically. [0013] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the cleaning equipment further includes a roller brush cover, the roller brush cover is located on the base, the accommodation cavity is provided between the roller brush cover and the base, aninner wall of the roller brush cover fits with at least a part of bristles of the roller brush.

[0014] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, a first scraping strip is configured on the roller brush cover to scrape wastewater on the roller brush, and a second scraping strip is configured on the base to scrape ground dust.

[0015] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the cleaning equipmentincludes a rotating device and a locking mechanism, the rotating device is rotatably assembled on the base or the machine body, the machine body is connected to the base through the rotating device, and the locking mechanism is provided on at least one of the rotating device or the base, the locking mechanism is configured to lock the rotating device at a preset rotation angle; arotation mechanism is arranged between the rotating device and the body, and the body rotates through the rotation mechanism on a fixed axis relative to the rotating device.

[0016] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the cleaning equipmentincludesa main seat detachably configured with the base; wherein a heater, a second fluid channel, and a hot air outlet are provided by the main seat, wherein the second fluid channel is located between the heater and the hot air outlet; the cleaning equipment includes a control panel, a selfcleaning function button with electrical connections is provided on the control panel, the self-cleaning function button defines an initiation of a self-cleaning mode. The cleaning equipment enters a drying mode after the cleaning equipment is initiated into the self-cleaning mode, in which the driver is configured to drive the roller brush to rotate, and the suction source is configured to drive acleaning medium stored in the water supply tank to supply the roller brush, and the roller brush rotates and selfcleans with the cleaning medium. The heater is configured to heat at least a part of air flowing through the second fluid channel in a self-cleaning mode to form a hightemperature airflow, and the high-temperature airflow is blown toward the roller brush through the hot air outlet. The negative pressure source is configured to drive the high-temperature airflow to flow along the second fluid channel and the first fluid channel. The high-temperature airflow passes through the roller brush to assist the cleaning medium to wash and dry the roller brush, and the negative pressure source drives dirt on the roller brush to flow into the wastewater tank along with the first fluid channel.

[0017] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the cleaning equipmentincludes a cleaning cavity for accommodating the roller brush provided on the main seat, a water storage space is provided in the cleaning cavity, at least a part of the roller brush is able to extend into the water storage space. In the self-cleaning mode, the high-temperature airflow heats the water in the water storage space.

[0018] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, the accommodation cavity is provided with a spray port connecting with the first distribution channel, and an included angle between aninjection direction of the spray port and aradial centerline of the roller brush is an acute angle.

[0019] As a further improvement to the aforementioned technical solution, an ultraviolet(UV) generator is provided, the UV generator is configured in the main seat.

[0020] For the above cleaning equipment, at least one inlet blocker is provided at the inlet of the wastewater tank to divide an air stream flowing to the wastewater tank into multiple air streams to make the multiple air streams collide in the wastewater tank.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0021] To illustrate the solutions in the present disclosure more clearly, the drawings to be used in the description of the embodiments will be introduced briefly as follows. It is apparent that the drawings in the following description are merely some embodiments of the present disclosure. For those of ordinary skill in the art, other drawings can be obtained according to these drawings without any inventive efforts. In the drawings:

FIG. 1 is a schematic three-dimensional schematic diagram of airflow of a wastewater tank and a negative pressure source according to an embodiment of the present disclosure;

FIG. 2 is a schematic plan view of the airflow of the sewage tank and the negative pressure source provided by an embodiment of the present disclosure;

FIG. 3 is a three-dimensional schematic diagram of airflow inside a wastewater tank provided by an embodiment of the present disclosure;

FIG. 4 is a schematic plan view of the airflow inside the wastewater tank as shown in Fig. 3;

FIG. 5 is a perspective view of cleaning equipment provided by an embodiment of the present disclosure;

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FIG. 6is a cross-sectional view of cleaning equip-
ment provided by an embodiment of the present dis-
closure;

- FIG. 7 is a schematic diagram of a connection structure of a water supply tank and a water divider provided by an embodiment of of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 8 is a plan view of a water supply tank provided by an embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 9 is a cross-sectional schematic diagram of the water supply tank along line J-J in Fig. 8;
- FIG. 10 is a partially enlarged schematic view of the water supply tank as shown in Fig. 9;
- FIG. 11 is an exploded view of the water supply tank shown in FIG. 10;
- FIG. 12 is a perspective view of a fuselage provided by an embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 13 is a cross-sectional schematic diagram of the machine body along line L-L in FIG. 12;
- FIG. 14 is a plan view of a main body provided inan embodiment of the presentdisclosure;
- FIG. 15 is a cross-sectional view of the main bodyalong line K-K in FIG. 14;
- FIG. 16 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the main body as shown in FIG. 15;
- FIG. 17 is an exploded view of the main body as shown in FIG. 16;
- FIG. 18 is a perspective view of a water divider provided inan embodiment of the presentdisclosure;
- FIG. 19 is an exploded view of the water divider as shown in FIG. 18;
- FIG. 20 is a plan view of the water divider as shown in FIG. 18;
- FIG. 21 is a cross-sectional view of the water divider along line M-M in FIG. 20;
- FIG. 22 is a partially enlarged view of the water divider as shown in FIG. 21;
- FIG. 23 is a perspective view of a water divider provided inanother embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 24 is an exploded view of the water divider as

shown in FIG. 23;

- FIG. 25 is a plan view of the water divider as shown in FIG. 23;
- FIG. 26 is a cross-sectional view of the water divider along line N-N in FIG. 25;
- FIG. 27 is a perspective view of a first unidirectional valve provided inan embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 28 is a schematic structural diagram of the spary port in the accommodation cavity of the base seat according to an embodiment of the presentdisclosure:
- FIG. 29 is cross-sectional view of the base seat along line O-O in FIG. 28;
- FIG. 30 is a schematic diagram of a first rotation state of a rotating device provided in an embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG. 31 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the first rotating state of the rotating device as shown in FIG. 30.
- FIG. 32 is a schematic diagram of the second rotation state of the rotating device provided in an embodiment of the present disclosure;
- FIG .33 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the second rotating state of the rotating device as shown in FIG. 32;
- FIG. 34 is a schematic diagram of a third rotating state of the rotating device provided in an embodiment of the presentdisclosure;
- FIG. 35 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the third rotating state of the rotating device as shown in FIG. 34;
- FIG. 36 is a schematic diagram of the first state of the locking mechanism provided in an embodiment of the presentdisclosure;
- FIG. 37 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the first state of the locking mechanism as shown in FIG. 36:
- FIG. 38 is a schematic diagram of the second state of the locking mechanism provided in an embodiment of the presentdisclosure;
- FIG. 39 is a partially enlarged schematic diagram of the second state of the locking mechanism as shown

in FIG. 38;

FIG. 40 is a cross-sectional view of a locking mechanism provided in another embodiment of the presentdisclosure;

FIG. 41 is a perspective view of a locking mechanism provided in another embodiment of the present disclosure;

FIG. 42 is a perspective view of a rotation mechanism provided in another embodiment of the present disclosure:

FIG. 43 is a cross-sectional view of a rotation mechanism provided in another embodiment of the presentdisclosure:

FIG. 44 is a schematic diagram of a first rotation state of a rotation mechanism provided in an embodiment of the presentdisclosure;

FIG. 45 is a schematic diagram of a second rotation state of a rotation mechanism provided in an embodiment of the present disclosure; and

FIG. 46 is a schematic diagram of a third rotation state of a rotation mechanism provided in an embodiment of the present disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EMBODIMENTS

[0022] In order to make the above objects, features,

and advantages of the present invention more clearly understood, the specific embodiments of the present invention will be described in detail below with reference to the accompanying drawings. In the following description, numerous specific details are set forth in order to provide a thorough understanding of the present invention. However, the present invention can be implemented in many other ways different from those described herein, and those skilled in the art can make similar improvements without departing from the connotation of the present invention. Therefore, the present invention is not limited by the specific embodiments disclosed below. [0023] In the description of the present invention, it should be understood that the terms "center", "longitudinal", "lateral", "length", "width", "thickness", "upper", "lower", "front", "back", "left", "right", "vertical", "horizontal", "top", "bottom", "inner", "outer", "clockwise", "counter-

"top", "bottom", "inner", "outer", "clockwise", "counter-clockwise", "axial", "radial", "circumferential", and other indicated orientations or positional relationships are based on the orientations or positional relationships shown in the accompanying drawings, and are only for the convenience of describing the present invention and simplifying the description, rather than indicating or implying the indicated device or elements must have a particular orientation, be constructed, and operate in a par-

ticular orientation and are therefore not to be construed as limitations of the invention.

[0024] In addition, the terms "first" and "second" are only used for descriptive purposes and should not be construed as indicating or implying relative importance or implying the number of indicated technical features. Thus, a feature delimited with "first", "second" may expressly or implicitly include at least one of that features. In the description of the present invention, "plurality" means at least two, such as two, three, etc., unless otherwise expressly and specifically defined.

[0025] In the present invention, unless otherwise expressly specified and limited, terms such as "installation", "connected", "connection", "fixation", and other terms should be understood in a broad sense, for example, it may be a fixed connection or a detachable connection, or integrated; it can be a mechanical connection or an electrical connection; it can be directly connected or indirectly connected through an intermediate medium, it can be the internal connection of two elements or the interaction relationship between the two elements, unless otherwise specified limit. For those of ordinary skill in the art, the specific meanings of the above terms in the present invention can be understood according to specific situations.

[0026] In the present invention, unless otherwise expressly specified and limited, a first feature "on" or "under" a second feature may be in direct contact between the first and second features, or the first and second features indirectly contact through an intermediary touch. Also, the first feature being "above", "over" and "above" the second feature may mean that the first feature is directly above or indirectlyabove the second feature, or simply means that the first feature being "below" the second feature may mean that the first feature is directly below or indirectlybelow the second feature, or simply means that the first feature is ata lower level than the second feature.

[0027] It should be noted that when an element is referred to as being "fixed to" or "disposed on" another element, it can be directly on the other element, or an intervening element may also be present. When an element is referred to as being "connected" to another element, it can be directly connected to the other element or intervening elements may also be present. The terms "vertical", "horizontal", "upper", "lower", "left", "right", and similar expressions used herein are for the purpose of illustration only and do not represent the only embodiment.

[0028] As shown in FIG. 1 to FIG. 46, one embodiment of the present application discloses cleaning equipment. The cleaning equipment includes a main body, a wastewater tank 1100, a first fluid channel, a negative pressure source 1500, and a water supply tank 1200. The main body includes a machine body 1000 and a base 2000. An accommodation cavity 2300 is defined by the base 2000. A roller brush is rotationally configured through a

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driver in the accommodation cavity **2300.** The wastewater tank **1100** is configured on the main body.

[0029] A fluid inlet 1110 and a fluid outlet 1120 are provided with the wastewater tank 1100. The fluid inlet 1110 connects through the accommodation cavity 2300, and an inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is arcshaped or its cross section is formed as a ring shape. At least one inlet blocker 1130 is provided at the inlet of the wastewater tank 1100 to divide an air stream flowing to the wastewater tank 1100 into multiple air streams and to make the multiple air streams collide in the wastewater tank 1100.

[0030] The first fluid channel is respectively connected with the accommodation cavity 2300 and the wastewater tank 1100, and the negative pressure source 1500 is configured on the main machine. The negative pressure source 1500 generates negative pressure to make the dirt on the surface be cleaned to enter the wastewater tank 1100 through the accommodation cavity 2300 and the first fluid channel in sequence. The first fluid channel is able to play the role of wastewater intake, which is equivalent to the wastewater intake pipeline. The water supply tank 1200 is assembled on the main body, and the water supply tank 1200 is sequentially connected with a suction source 1300 and a water divider 1400 through a water outlet. The water divider 1400 includes a first distribution channel 1410 connected to the roller brush and/or a second distribution channel 1420 for leading fluid streams outwards from the main body.

[0031] The fluid inlet 1110 is selectively provided at the top portion or the side portion of the wastewater tank 1100, which will determine whether the airflow of the accommodation cavity 2300 enters the inner cavity of the wastewater tank 1100 from the top portion of the wastewater tank 1100 or enters the inner cavity of the wastewater tank 1100 from the side portion. The wastewater tank 1100 can include a wastewater tank body and a wastewater tank cover, and both the fluid inlet 1110 and the fluid outlet 1120 can be arranged on the wastewater tank cover. Therefore, when the fluid inlet 1110 is located on the top of the wastewatertank 1100, the fluid inlet 1110 can be directly installed on the upper surface of the wastewater tank cover of the top portion of the wastewater tank 1100.In addition, when the fluid inlet 1110 is located at the side of the wastewater tank 1100, the fluid inlet 1110 can also be arranged on the side surface of the wastewatertank cover on the top portion of the wastewater tank 1100, or the fluid inlet 1110 can also be arranged on the side surface of the wastewatertank body. The wastewater tank 1100 can be provided with a wastewater tank handle, and the fluid inlet 1110 can be located on the side of the wastewater tank 1100, so the wastewater tank handle and the fluid inlet 1110 can be respectively arranged on the opposite sides of the wastewater tank 1100.

[0032] The negative pressure source 1500 has an air-dividing structure 1600, and the air-dividing structure 1600 has an air-dividing inlet 1610 and at least two air-

dividing outlets 1620. The air-dividing inlet 1610 communicates with the fluid outlet 1120, and the fluid outlet 1120 is provided with a filter assembly 1630. The filter assembly 1630 is located between the fluid outlet 1120 and the air-dividing inlet 1610, and the at least two air-dividing outlets 1620 connect through the outer environment. The air-dividing structure 1600 can be formed on the basis of the negative pressure source 1500 or can be a structure that is independent of the negative pressure source 1500 and assembled opposite to the negative pressure source 1500. In one embodiment, the air-dividing structure 1600 includes an air-dividing shell configured on the negative pressure source 1500. The air-dividing inlet 1610 is provided at the bottom of the air-dividing shell, and the airdividing outlets 1620 are provided at two side portions of the air-dividing shell. The two air-dividing outlets 1620 are symmetrically located on both sides of the air-dividing shell. Moreover, the negative pressure source 1500 is located above the accommodation cavity 2300, and the air-dividing structure 1600 is located at the bottom of the negative pressure source 1500. The fluid outlet 1120 is provided at the top of the wastewater tank 1100, and the air-dividing inlet 1610 is in longitudinal connection with the fluid outlet 1120.

[0033] The accommodation cavity 2300 can be connected with the fluid inlet 1110 of the wastewater tank 1100 through a channel formed by itself on the main body or a separately provided channel. Under the action of the negative pressure source 1500, after the air flows from the accommodation cavity to the fluid inlet 1110 of the wastewater tank 1100, the aircan enter the wastewater tank 1100 from the fluid inlet 1110 at the top or the side of the wastewater tank 1100. After the wastewater is separated and precipitated, under the suction of the negative pressure source 1500, the air can flow out from the fluid outlet 1120 of the wastewater tank 1100, wherein, the fluid outlet 1120 may be provided with the filter assembly 1630. The filter assembly 1630 is located between the fluid outlet 1120 and the air-dividing inlet 1610, so that the air can flow out after being filtered by the filter assembly **1630**.

[0034] The air flowing out from the fluid outlet 1120 will enter into the air-dividing structure 1600 on the negative pressure source 1500 based on the connection between the air-dividing inlet 1610 and the fluid outlet 1120. The air-dividing structure 1600 is configured to divide the air inhaled by the negative pressure source 1500 into two bundles, the left bundle and the right bundle(as shown by the arrows in FIG. 1 and FIG. 2, the arrows point to the flow trace of the airflow). The air of the left bundle and the right bundle flows out through the two air-dividing outlets 1620 of the air-dividing structure 1600 respectively, so as to flow out of the main body. The directions of the two air-dividing outlets 1620 are different and may be opposite directions or directions having a certain angle, as long as the directions are different. In one embodiment, there may be a flow gap 1140 between the outer wall of the wastewater tank 1100 and the inner wall of

the accommodation cavity 2300. At this time, both the two air-dividing outlets 1620 of the air-dividing structure 1600 can be connected with the upper portion of the flow gap 1140. Therefore, referring to FIG. 2, the air flowing out from the two air-dividing outlets 1620 of the air-dividing structure 1600 will flow along the flow gap 1140 and then flowto the outside environment. In particular, both of the two air-dividing outlets 1620 connect with the upper portion of the flow gap 1140. This allows the air to flow longitudinally along the flow gap 1140 after flowing out from the two air-dividing outlets 1620, from the top to the bottom of the main body, and finally flows out from the bottom of the main body. Because the wastewater tank 1100 is installed in front of the main body, the air is discharged from the front of the main body. The user stands behind the main body to operate it, so the outgoing wind will not blow directly to the user, which increases the user experience as well. Moreover, the air-dividing structure 1600 can change the airflow from one bundle to two bundles, which avoids the problem of noise caused by excessive concentration of the outlet air and is more conducive to the noise reduction of the product. It should be noted that the outlets of the air-dividing structure 1600 may be set in multiples according to requirements, such as three, four, five, six, etc.

[0035] In one embodiment, an inlet blocker 1130 is provided at the fluid inlet 1110 of the wastewater tank 1100. The inlet blocker 1130 can be configured on the cover of the wastewater tank 1100 or on the body of the wastewater tank 1100, and the inlet blocker 1130 is configured horizontally or vertically in the inner cavity of the wastewater tank 1100. The inlet blocker 1130 shields the fluid inlet 1110 to a certain extent, so that the air entering the wastewater tank 1100 can form two or more air streams in different directions after passing through the inlet blocker 1130, or the direction of the air streams can be changed by the inlet blocker 1130. If the airflow has only one direction during the process of entering the wastewater tank 1100 through the fluid inlet 1110, the airflow and water droplets(flow) cannot be easily separated inside the wastewater tank **1100**. Under above condition, the airflow and water droplets(flow) are easy to simultaneously discharge from the fluid outlet 1120 of the wastewater tank 1100 under the suction of the negative pressure source 1500 at the same time. Therefore, the inlet blocker 1130 in the wastewater tank 1100 is used to stop the incoming airflow at first and then make the airflow enter the bottom of the wastewater tank 1100.

[0036] The inlet blocker 1130 can adopt to any structural form to cooperate with the inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100, thereby forming an inlet drainage channel 1131 for airflow. In addition, the inlet blocker 1130 can also be formed to cooperate with the location (for example, top or side) of the fluid inlet 1110 on the wastewater tank 1100 in order to make the inlet blocker 1130 play a role in blocking the airflow when the airflow enters the wastewater tank 1100 through the fluid inlet 1110. Moreover, to what extent or direction the inlet blocker

1130 blocks the airflow. For example, the inlet blocker 1130 can be laterally configured in the inner cavity of the wastewater tank 1100. At this time, an inlet drainage channel 1131 is formed between the inlet blocker 1130 and the inner wall of one side of the wastewater tank 1100, and the airflow can enter the interior of the wastewater tank 1100 only through one inlet drainage channel 1131. Alternatively, the inlet blocker 1130 may be longitudinally configured in the inner cavity of the wastewatertank 1100. At this time, two inlet drainage channels 1131 in opposite directions are formed between the inlet blocker 1130 and the inner walls on opposite sides of the wastewater tank 1100. In view of theabove, the airflow can pass through the inlet blocker 1130 into two symmetrical bundles and enter the interior of the wastewater tank 1100. Besides, those skilled in the art can also set the position of the inlet blocker 1130 according to actual requirements, which is not limited here.

[0037] In one embodiment, the inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is an arc-shaped inner wall surface, such as a circular inner wall surface, or the cross-section of the inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is annular. The air stream of the accommodation cavity flows to the wastewater tank 1100 and, after entering through the fluid inlet 1110 of the wastewater tank 1100, whenthe inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is an arc-shaped inner wall or the cross-section of the inner wall is annular, the two or more streams divided by the inlet blocker 1130 can move along the circular or annular inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100, then the inlet blocker 1130 makes the multiple air streams collide in the wastewater tank 1100 so as to avoid the air continuing to fall and mix with the wastewater and waste to stir up the wastewater and waste. In view of theabove, this can effectively prevent the wastewater and waste in the wastewater tank 1100 from being sucked into the negative pressure source 1500, and not only can it avoid damage to the negative pressure source 1500 but also prevent wastewater and waste from being blown to the outside of the cleaning equipment so that the space utilization rate of the wastewater tank 1100 is increased. If the inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is not annular or circular, but other shapes, the collision of two or more air streams divided by the inlet blocker 1130 will be reduced, and the deposition of dirt cannot be achieved after the air streams enter the wastewater tank 1100. Thisis because, if the inner wall of the wastewater tank 1100 is not circular or annular, the direction of the airstream after entering will be chaotic, so that the direction and angle of the airstreams in the wastewater tank 1100 are difficult to cause the airstreams to form a hedging collision and offset the kinetic energy of each other, and therefore it is impossible to realize the separation of dirt and moisture deposition in the air streams.

[0038] Moreover, the cleaning equipment includes the main body, a rotating device 2500, and a locking mechanism 2510. The main body includes a machine body 1000 and a base 2000. An accommodation cavity is de-

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fined by the base, and a roller brush is rotationally configured by a driver in the accommodation cavity. The rotating device **2500** is rotatably assembled on the base **2000** or the machine body **1000**. The machine body **1000** is connected to the base **2000** through the rotating device **2500**. The locking mechanism **2510** is provided on the rotating device **2500** and/or the base **2000**. The locking mechanism **2510** is configured to lock the rotating device **2500** at a preset rotation angle.

[0039] Since the rotating device 2500 can be rotated relative to the base 2000, the machine body 1000 can be indirectly rotated relative to the base 2000 through the rotation of the rotating device 2500. Therefore, the machine body 1000 can swing forward or backward relative to the base 2000 to adjust the rotation angle of the machine body 1000 to the base 2000. The adjustment of the rotation angle of the machine body 1000 can facilitate the extension of the base 2000 into a narrow space for cleaning operations and improve the cleaning efficiency in the narrow space.

[0040] The rotating device 2500 can form a fixed rotating axis through a structure such as a rotating shaft to make the machine body 1000 be rotatably assembled on the base 2000 through the rotating device 2500. When the machine body 1000 rotates with the rotating device 2500, the machine body 1000 can achieve the effect of swinging forward or backward. In one embodiment, a rotating groove 2520 is defined on the base 2000, and the rotating device 2500 is rotatably assembled in the rotating groove 2520 through the rotation shaft.

[0041] During the rotation of the rotating device 2500 along the rotation axis, the locking mechanism 2510 can lock the rotating device 2500 when the rotating device 2500 rotates to a preset rotation angle, so that the rotating device 2500 cannot continue to rotate at this rotation angle. Therefore, the machine body 1000 can be fixed relative to the base 2000 at the preset rotation angle. In one of the embodiments, the rotating device 2500 includes a latching member 2511 and a latching position 2512 respectively disposed between the base 2000 and the rotating device 2500. The latching member 2511 is engaged with the latching position 2512, and the locking of the rotating device 2500 at the preset rotation angle can be achieved by the mutual latching of the latching member 2511 and the latching position 2512. The latching member 2511 can be an elastic part or indirectly assembled through an elastic part, so as to enable the latching member 2511 to be elastically latch-fitted with the latching position 2512. The latching position 2512 may be a corresponding matching structure such as a groove, a protrusion, etc., as long as the latching position 2512can form an elastic limit latching connection with the elastically assembled latching member 2511.

[0042] In one embodiment, the latching position 2512 is provided on the rotating device 2500, and the latching member 2511 is elastically assembled in the rotating groove 2520 through the elastic retractable member 2513. The latching member 2511 is elastically latched

with the latching position 2512 through the elastic retractable member 2513 so that when the rotating device 2500 is assembled and rotated in the rotating groove 2520, the rotating device 2500can be locked by the locking mechanism 2510 at the preset rotation angle.

[0043] In one of the embodiments, both the number of the latching member 2511 and the latching position 2512 is one, and the latching member 2511 is located on the front groove wall or the bottom groove wall of the rotating groove 2520. The latching position 2512 is located at the front or bottom of the rotating device 2500, and/or the number of the latching member 2511 and the latching position 2512 is two. The two latching members 2511 are symmetrically arranged on two opposite side groove walls of the rotating groove 2520. The two latching position 2512 are symmetrically arranged on two opposite sides of the rotating device 2500. Moreover, the numbers and positions of the latching member 2511 and the latching position 2512 can be set according to requirements, which are not limited herein.

[0044] In one embodiment, a rotation mechanism 2530 is configured between the rotating device 2500 and the machine body 1000. The machine body 1000 rotates relative to the rotating device 2500 through the rotation mechanism 2530 in a fixed axis. For example, the rotation axis of the rotation mechanism 2530 and the rotation axis of the rotating device 2500 are perpendicular to each other. At this time, the rotation of the rotating device 2500 can be responsible for driving the machine body 1000 to achieve forward and backward swing motions relative to the base 2000, and the rotation mechanism 2530 can be responsible for driving the machine body 1000 to rotate left and right relative to the base 2000.

[0045] The rotation mechanism 2530 can adopt various structural forms. In one of the embodiments, the rotation mechanism 2530 includes an annular groove 2531 and an annular protrusion 2532 respectively provided on the rotating device 2500 and the machine body 1000. The annular groove 2531 and the annular protrusion 2532 are slidably assembled, and the machine body 1000 rotates relative to the rotating device 2500 through the sliding assembly of the annular groove 2531 and the annular protrusion 2532. The user can hold the machine body 1000 and exert a control force on the machine body 1000, so that the annular protrusion 2532 can rotate relative to the annular groove 2531 in the circumferential direction. When the annular protrusion 2532 slides circumferentially relative to the annular groove 2531, the machine body 1000 can rotate relative to the rotating device 2500, which means turns right or left. Therefore, the machine body 1000 rotates indirectly relative to the base 2000, and turns right or left. In this way, when the cleaning equipment needs to enter some smaller space areas during operation, the machine body 1000 needs to be able to rotate to facilitate access to some narrow corners and low surfaces to be cleaned, such as under the bed, under the table, and in other more hidden spaces. Compared with cleaning equipment whose machine

body cannot rotate left and right, the above disclosed cleaning equipment that can be rotated left and right can obviously have a more prominent cleaning effect on the cleaning of narrow areas and the easy avoidance of obstacles during the cleaning process. The front and rear rotation of the above disclosed cleaning equipment can better solve the problems with cleaning equipment entering areas with restricted heights. The left and right rotation of the disclosed cleaning equipment can easily realize the operation of cleaning equipment, and the left and right rotation of the machine body can easily avoid furniture and obstacles. The cleaning device is provided with front and rear and left and right rotation functions, which makes it easy for users to clean low and narrow areas during the cleaning process.

[0046] In one of the embodiments, the bottom of the machine body **1000** is provided with a detachable bottom cover 2533, and the bottom cover 2533 and the bottom of the machine body 1000 are respectively provided with a part of the annular groove 2531 or a part of the annular protrusion 2532. The bottom cover 2533 and the bottom of the machine body 1000 are assembled to form the annular groove 2531 or the annular protrusion 2532. The separation of the bottom cover 2533 relative to the machine body 1000 can crack the annular groove 2531 or the annular protrusion 2532. The mapping of the bottom cover 2533 relative to the machine body 1000 can form the complete annular groove 2531 or the annular protrusion 2532. Therefore, when the bottom cover 2533 is separated from the machine body 1000, the assembly of the machine body 1000 and the annular groove 2531 and the annular protrusion 2532 on the rotating device 2500 can be facilitated. When the bottom cover 2533 is assembled relative to the machine body 1000, the annular groove 2531 and the annular protrusion 2532 can form a stable assembly structure.

[0047] The wastewater tank 1100 is configured on the main body, and the wastewater tank 1100 connects with the accommodation cavity 2300 of the base 2000. The wastewater and dirt enter the wastewater tank 1100 after passing through the accommodation cavity 2300. The water supply tank 1200 is configured on the main body, and the water supply tank 1200 is connected with the suction source 1300 and the water divider 1400 in sequence through the water outlet channel 1370. The water divider 1400 includes a first distribution channel 1410 that connects to the roller brush and/or a second distribution channel 1420 for dividing flow out of the main body. [0048] In one embodiment, a tank top portion 1310 and a tank bottom portion 1320 are provided from the water supply tank 1200. Further, a water storage cavity is provided in the water supply tank 1200. The water storage cavity of the water supply tank 1200 is divided into at least two inner cavity sections 1330 from the tank top portion 1310 to the tank bottom portion 1320. In the direction from the tank top portion **1310** to the tank bottom portion 1320, the cross-sectional areas of the plurality of inner cavity sections 1330 gradually decrease. In addition, the cross-sectional area is perpendicular to the direction from the tank top portion **1310** to the tank bottom portion **1320**.

[0049] The phenomenon of the cross-sectional area of the plurality of the inner cavity sections 1330 of the water supply tank 1200 gradually decreasing can be specifically expressed as the width of the different inner cavity sections 1330 gradually decreasing. In other words, the plurality of inner cavity sections 1330 of the water supply tank 1200 gradually decrease in width in the direction from the tank top portion 1310 to the tank bottom portion 1320. When the water supply tank 1200 is installed in the main body, comparing with the design of overall cross-sectional area of the water supply tank 1200 beingthe same, the water flow rate is faster in the inner cavity sections 1330 with smaller cross-sectional areas. Therefore, it can still ensure that the water outlet speed of the water supply tank 1200 remains relatively constant after the water level drops. It will not cause the output in the water supply tank 1200 to be significantly reduced due to the reduction of the water volume to better improve the water outlet efficiency of the water supply tank 1200 and reduce the impact on the water outlet speed. Under above, the water outlet speed of the water supply tank 1200 is made more uniform and stable, and the cleaning efficiency of the cleaning equipment is improved.

[0050] A water outlet structure may be provided on the water supply tank 1200, and the water outlet structure is arranged on the tank bottom portion 1320 of the water supply tank 1200. The water outlet structure includes a blocking member 1350, a water outlet 1360, and an air inlet 1341 connecting with the water storage cavity. The blocking member 1350 is used for elastically blocking the water outlet 1360. Therefore, in the case that the water supply tank 1200 is separated from the main body, the blocking member 1350 can block the water outlet 1360 by using elastic force, so that the water inside the water supply tank 1200 cannot flow out from the water outlet 1360. When the water supply tank 1200 is assembled with the host, a corresponding structure can be provided to overcome the elastic force of the blocking member 1350 to make the blocking member 1350 release the blocking of the water outlet 1360. Then, the water in the water supply tank 1200 can flow out through the water outlet 1360 and be supplied to the outside of the roller brush or the main body under the driving action of the suction source 1300.

[0051] In one embodiment, the water tank structure includes a tank cover 1340, and the water outlet 1360 is opened on the tank bottom portion 1320. The tank cover 1340 is configured on the water outlet 1360, and an external port 1343 is opened on the tank cover 1340 to communicate with the water outlet 1360. The blocking member 1350 is configured on the tank cover 1340, and the blocking member 1350 is used to elastically block the external port 1343 to block the water outlet 1360. The air inlet 1341 is opened on the tank cover 1340, and the main body is provided with a top opening 1354. The water

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supply tank 1200 is configured on the main body. The top opening 1354 abuts against and cooperates with the blocking member 1350 for pushing the blocking member 1350 to open the water outlet 1360. At this time, the top opening 1354 serves as a structure for overcoming the elastic force of the blocking member 1350 and can be mutually matched with the structure of the blocking member 1350, such as column or protrusion structures.

[0052] The tank cover 1340 can be assembled on the water outlet 1360 of the water supply tank 1200 through a screw-threaded structure. The blocking member 1350 is configured on the tank cover 1340. After the tank cover 1340 is screwed off, the water outlet 1360 of the water supply tank 1200 can also be used as a water inlet for replenishing water into the water storage cavity of the water supply tank 1200. It is convenient to add water to the water supply tank 1200 and does not require an additional independent water inlet on the water supply tank **1200.** In addition, the blocking member **1350** elastically assembled on the tank cover 1340 can also be directly designed at the position of the water outlet 1360 of the water supply tank 1200 so as to bypass the use of the tank cover 1340 and design independent water outlet 1360. Those skilled in the art can select a corresponding design structure according to requirements, which is not limited here.

[0053] In one embodiment, a limiting stage 1351 is provided in the external port 1343, and a limiting portion 1352 is provided on the blocking member 1350. The blocking member 1350 is elastically assembled in the external port 1343 through an elastic member 1353, and the limiting portion 1352 of the blocking member 1350 is in elastic contact with the limiting stage 1351 through the elastic force exerted by the elastic member 1353. In addition, the limiting portion 1352 and the limiting stage 1351 elastically contact each other to block the external port 1343.

[0054] The mutually abutting surfaces of the limiting stage 1351 and the limiting portion 1352 may be a cooperating plane or cooperating bevels. When the limiting stage 1351 and the limiting portion 1352 abut each other to make the surface of the limiting stage 1351 and the surface of the limiting portion 1352 fit with each other, it can form a good blocking of the external port 1343, and the water outlet 1360 is further blocked by blocking the external port 1343. It prevents the water in the water supply tank 1200 from flowing out from the water outlet 1360. Only when the elastic force exerted by the elastic member 1353 is overcome will the limiting portion 1352 and the limiting stage 1351 of the blocking member 1350 be separated. It causes the external port 1343 to be opened, and then the water outlet 1360 is opened, so that the water in the water supply tank 1200 flows out from the water outlet 1360.

[0055] In one embodiment, the water tank structure includes an unidirectional valve 1342, and the unidirectional valve 1342 is configured on the air inlet 1341. The unidirectional valve 1342 only allows air to enter the water

storage cavity along the air inlet 1341 and the water in the water storage cavity will not flow out of the water supply tank 1200 through the air inlet 1341. The unidirectional valve 1342 can be tubular, and the bottom of the unidirectional valve 1342 can form aV-shape. The inner walls on the opposite sides of the V-shaped section are fitted closed to each other under normal conditions. It can only be separated at the pressure value developed when the suction source 1300 is activated. Therefore, when the suction source 1300 is continuously pumping water, the negative pressure in the water supply tank **1200** is continuously increased. When the air pressure outside the water supply tank 1200 to the unidirectional valve 1342 is greater than the water pressure inside the water supply tank 1200 to the unidirectional valve 1342, the outside air of the water supply tank 1200 can enter the water supply tank 1200 through the unidirectional valve 1342 along the air inlet 1341 to supplement the air (intake) of the water supply tank 1200. When the air pressure inside the water supply tank 1200 is balanced with the air pressure outside the water supply tank 1200, the unidirectional valve 1342 can be closed under the extrusion of the water pressure in the water supply tank 1200. In other words, it means the inner pipe walls on the opposite sides of the V-shaped pipe section fit with each other. In this way, the unidirectional valve 1342 can be closed to prevent the water in the water supply tank 1200 from flowing out of the water supply tank 1200 through the air inlet 1341.

[0056] In one embodiment, the water tank structure includes a first filter, and the first filter is configured at the water outlet 1360. Therefore, the water in the water supply tank 1200 can be filtered and then flow out through the water outlet 1360,so as to prevent solid matter in water supply tank 1200 from clogging the water outlet 1360 and downstream channel.

[0057] The water supply tank 1200 can be provided with an elastic buckle structure 1390, and the water supply tank 1200 is configured to be detachably mounted on the main body of the cleaning equipment through the elastic buckle structure 1390. The elastic buckle structure 1390 can more firmly connect the water supply tank 1200 and the main body when the water supply tank 1200 is configured on the main body. Moreover, the elastic buckle structure 1390 will generate a sound when the water supply tank 1200 is connected to the main body. The sound can remind the user that the water supply tank 1200 has been configured on the main body.

[0058] In one of the embodiments, the water tank structure includes at least one first unidirectional valve 1430, and the first unidirectional valve 1430 is connected between the suction source 1300 and the water divider 1400. The first unidirectional valve 1430 can connect the suction source 1300 and the water divider 1400 under the pressure value formed when the suction source 1300 is activated. The suction source 1300 can use a water pump. When the suction source 1300 is turned on, the water of the water supply tank 1200 can be supplied to

the water divider **1400**, thereby generating a larger water pressure value. Only then can a sufficient water pressure value be generated to open the first unidirectional valve **1430**. When the suction source **1300** is turned-off, the water in the water supply tank **1200** cannot generate a sufficient water pressure value, so as to be unable to open the first unidirectional valve **1430**. The above state makes the water in the water supply tank **1200** not able topass through the first unidirectional valve **1430** when the main body is shut down or stops working.

[0059] When there is residual water in the channel between the first unidirectional valve 1430 and the water divider 1400, the first unidirectional valve 1430 can prevent the water of the water supply tank 1200 from being delivered downstream. At this time, the end of the channel with water and downstream of the first unidirectional valve 1430 is closed, and one end of the water divider 1400 is in connection with the air. Under the action of atmospheric pressure, due to the sealing effect of the first unidirectional valve 1430, it prevents the water in the pipeline between the first unidirectional valve 1430 and the water divider 1400 from flowing out of the main body so as to solve the problem of water leakage and ensure the cleanliness of the ground.

[0060] In one embodiment, the tank structure includes at least one second unidirectional valve 1440. The second unidirectional valve 1440 is provided on the first distribution channel 1410 and/or the second distribution channel 1420. The second unidirectional valve 1440 can open the first distribution channel 1410 and/or the second distribution channel 1420 at a pressure value established when the suction source 1300 is activated. The second unidirectional valve 1440 can close one end of the first distribution channel 1410 or the second distribution channel 1420 and open the other end when the first unidirectional valve 1430 is closed. Under the action of atmospheric pressure, no matter how the height and horizontal inclination of the first distribution channel 1410 or the second distribution channel 1420 change, or no matter how the main body shakes, it will not cause the residual water in the main body to flow out along the first distribution channel 1410 or the second distribution channel **1420** so as to avoid the problem of water leakage after the main body is turned-off or the suction source 1300 stops working.

[0061] The design principle is that when both ends of a water pipe with water are open, as long as the the two ends of the water pipe are at different heights, the water in the water pipe will leak out. But if one end of the water pipe is blocked, no matter how the water pipe is placed, whether the water pipe is vertical or horizontal, even if there is a height difference between the two ends of the water pipe, the water in the water pipe will not leak out of the water pipe if they are not at the same height.

[0062] It should be noted that the unidirectional valve 1342, the first unidirectional valve 1430, or the second unidirectional valve 1440 can all be of a type such as a soft type unidirectional valve, a mechanical spring valve,

or an electronic valve. For example, when a soft type unidirectional valve is used, the unidirectional valve 1342, the first unidirectional valve 1430, or the second unidirectional valve 1440 may include a main pipe section 1431 and a flexible pipe section 1432. The inner cavity of the flexible pipe section 1432 is communicated with the inner cavity of the main pipe section 1431, and the inner pipe walls of the opposite sides of the flexible pipe section 1432 are fitted and closed with each other. The inner tube wall on the opposite side of the flexible pipesection 1432 can only be separated at the pressure values developed when the suction source 1300 is activated so that only the pneumatic or hydraulic pressure value formed when the suction source 1300 is activated can cause the soft one-way valve to open. Alternatively, when a mechanical spring valve is used, and only the air pressure or hydraulic pressure value is greater than the elastic force of the spring in the mechanical spring valve, the gas or liquid can flow out of this mechanical spring valve. Alternatively, when the electronic valve is used, the unidirectional valve 1342, the first unidirectional valve 1430, or the second unidirectional valve 1440 can be automatically controlled to close when the main body is turned off or the water pump is not working.

[0063] In one embodiment, the accommodation cavity 2300 is provided with a spray port 2310 communicating with the first distribution channel 1410. The angle between the injection direction of the spray port 2310 and the radial centerline of the roller brush is an acute angle. The radial centerline is perpendicular to the central axis of the tube brush. Both ends of the roller brush are symmetrical with respect to the radial centerline. At this time, when the injection direction and the radial centerline are at an acute angle, the area of the injection can be expanded so as to make water sprayed more evenly on the roller brush. If the injection direction does not form an acute angle with the radial centerline, such as the injection direction beingparallel to the radial centerline, when the spray port 2310 sprays along the radial centerline of the roller brush, it can only spray to one point on the roller brush. The roller brush can only form a circle area at most after rotation but is unable to spray evenly.

[0064] In one embodiment, a roller brush cover 2400 is provided. The roller brush cover 2400 is located on the base 2000, the accommodation cavity 2300 is provided between the roller brush cover 2400 and the base 2000, and the inner wall of the roller brush cover 2400 fits with at least a part of the bristles of the roller brush. The bristles of the roller brush can be made of fluff or soft fiber materials. The abutment of the roller brush cover 2400 with at least a part of the bristles of the roller brush can be defined as the direct contact between the roller brush cover 2400 and the bristles of the roller brush. Alternatively, it can be defined as a distance of 0mm-5mm between the roller brush cover 2400 and the bristles of the roller brush.

[0065] After the roller brush cover 2400 is fitted to the bristles of the roller brush, the friction and squeezing force

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will be formed between the roller brush, the roller brush cover **2400**, and the water. The surface of the roller brush and the roller brush cover **2400** can be cleaned by the friction and squeezing force between the three so as to make the cleaning equipment always keep the roller brush and the roller brush cover **2400** clean during the operation of the equipment. Moreover, the roller brush and the roller brush cover **2400** can also be kept very clean after the cleaning equipment is self-cleaning. If the roller brush and roller brush cover **2400** are not designed to fit with each other, the roller brush or the roller brush cover **2400** is difficult to keep clean during operation of the cleaning equipment and after the machine is self-cleaning.

[0066] In one embodiment, the cleaning equipment includes a water leakage channel 1380, and the water leakage channel 1380 connects with the water storage cavity of the water supply tank 1200. The inlet of the water leakage channel 1380 is located at the lowest position of the water storage cavity, therefore, the water remaining in the water storage cavity of the water supply tank 1200 can be discharged through the water leakage channel 1380. At this time, a matching water tank can be provided on the main body, and the water discharged from the water leakage channel 1380 can be collected through the matching water tank.

[0067] In one embodiment, the cleaning equipment includes a second filter, the second filter is configured at the air outlet of the wastewater tank 1100. Therefore, the second filter can filter the airflow in the wastewater tank 1100 and then discharges the air to the outside of the main body of the cleaning equipment.

[0068] In one embodiment, the cleaning device includes a base seat 3000, a power supply 3100, and a control panel, and the base 2000 and the base seat 3000can be assembled separately. The base seat 3000 is provided with a heater 3400, a second fluid channel 3500, and a hot air outlet 3600, and the second fluid channel 3500 is provided between the heater 3400 and the hot air outlet 3600. There is a blower 3700 in the base seat 3000, which can play the role of hot air diversion through the second fluid channel 3500. The second fluid channel 3500 is equivalent to the hot air channel in the base seat 3000. The base seat 3000 is provided with a first charging contact 3200, and the first charging contact 3200 is configured to connect to an external power supply. A power supply 3100 is provided on the main body, and the power supply 3100 is a rechargeable power supply 3100. The base 2000 is provided with a second charging contact 3300, and the second charging contact 3300 is electrically connected to the power supply 3100. The first charging contact 3200 and the second charging contact 3300 are configured to be able to be electrically connected in a state in which the base 2000 is assembled to the base seat 3000 to charge the power supply 3100 with the external power supply. The control panel is at least electrically connected to the power supply3100, the negative pressure source 1500, and the suction source 1300. The

control panel has a self-cleaning function button, and the self-cleaning function button is electrically connected to the control assembly **2200**. The self-cleaning function button is configured to start a self-cleaning working mode, and in the self-cleaning working mode, the ultraviolet generator **2100** is turned off by the control assembly **2200**.

[0069] When the base 2000 of the cleaning equipment is placed on the base seat 3000, the user can press the self-cleaning function button, and the control panel can control the cleaning equipment to start the self-cleaning working mode through the corresponding control system. In the self-cleaning working mode of the cleaning equipment, the power supply 3100 can energize the negative pressure source 1500, the drive motor, the suction source 1300, etc. The suction source 1300 can control the clean water in the water supply tank 1200 to be delivered to the roller brush through the water outlet channel 1370, and the drive motor drives the roller brush to rotate to realize the self-cleaning of the roller brush. After the negative pressure source 1500 is activated, the suction force of the negative pressure source 1500 can suck the remaining stains on the roller brush or cleaning equipment into the wastewater tank 1100. Specifically, when the cleaning equipment is started in the self-cleaning working mode, the cleaning equipment enters the drying mode. In the drying mode, the driver is configured to drive the roller brush to rotate, the suction source 1300 is configured to drive the cleaning medium stored in the water supply tank 1200 to provide to the roller brush, and the roller brush rotates and self-cleans with the cleaning medium. The heater 3400 is configured to heat at least a part of the gas flowing through the second fluid channel 3500 to form a high temperature air in the self-cleaning working mode. The high temperature air is blown towards the roller brush through the hot air outlet 3600. The negative pressure source 1500 is configured to drive the high temperature air to flow along the second fluid channel 3500 and the first fluid channel. The high temperature air passes through the roller brush to assist the cleaning medium to dry the roller brush. The negative pressure source 1500 can also drive the dirt on the roller brush to flow into the wastewater tank 1100 along the first fluid channel.

[0070] The control panel also has an interactive display module. The interactive display module can display the charging status or other working mode status when the cleaning equipment is charging to alertthe user about the actual working condition of the current cleaning equipment. In addition, during the charging period of the cleaning equipment, the cleaning equipment can start the self-cleaning working mode at the same time to carry out the self-cleaning operation of the roller brush. Of course, the charging function can also be selectively deactivated in the self-cleaning working mode of the cleaning equipment. Meanwhile, when the cleaning equipment is not placed on the base seat 3000, the user can also start the self-cleaning working mode to perform the self-cleaning

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operation of the roller brush. Moreover, whether the base 2000 and the base seat 3000 are docked can be determined by detecting whether the first charging contact 3200 and the second charging contact 3300 are connected with each other. Alternatively, whether the main body and the base seat 3000 are docked can be detected through distance sensors, infrared sensors, etc. The implemented detection manner may also be other detection manners, which will not be repeated here.

[0071] The base seat 3000 is provided with a cleaning cavity for accommodating the roller brush, and a water storage tank is opened in the cleaning cavity. At least a part of the roller brush can extend into the water storage tank. A hot air blower is provided on the main body or the base seat 3000, and the hot air blower is used to provide hot air to the cleaning assembly and/or the water storage tank. The hot air blower may be configured to provide hot air to the roller brush or the water storage tank. Alternatively, the hot air blower may be configured to simultaneously provide hot air to the roller brush and the water storage tank. The hot air blower can include a heating module and a fan. During the process of the hot air blower providing hot air, the heating module can heat the surrounding air and the fan blows heated air to form hot air. The base seat 3000 can have pipelines and structures that cooperate with the hot air blower and use the pipeline structure to guide the hot air reasonably. For example, in one of the embodiments, the hot air blower may be connected with a hot air pipeline, and the outlet of the hot air pipeline communicates with the accommodation cavity. For instances, the outlet of the hot air pipeline is set on the base seat 3000 close to the end of the roller brush on the main body, and then the hot air blower is started to form hot air, and the hot air is blown out against the roller brush. While the hot air dries the surface of the roller brush on the main body, the hot air will also heat the water in the water storage tank. The heated water will clean the roller brush more thoroughly, making it easier for the dirt and dust attached to the roller brush to dissolve in hot water and separate from the roller brush. In addition, in one embodiment, a heater 3400 may also be provided on the base seat 3000, and the heater 3400 is thermally connected to the water storage tank. The heater 3400 directly heats the water in the water storage tank to assist the cleaning of the roller brush.

[0072] The technical features of the above-described embodiments can be combined arbitrarily. For the sake of brevity, all possible combinations of the technical features in the above-described embodiments are not described. However, as long as there is no contradiction between the combinations of these technical features, all should be regarded as the scope described in this specification.

[0073] The above-mentioned embodiments only represent several embodiments of the present invention, and the descriptions thereof are more specific and detailed, but should not be construed as a limitation on the scope of the invention patent. It should be pointed out

that for those skilled in the art, without departing from the concept of the present invention, several modifications and improvements can be made, which all belong to the protection scope of the present invention. Therefore, the protection scope of the patent of the present invention should be subject to the appended claims.

Claims

1. A cleaning equipment, comprising:

a main body comprising a machine body and a base, wherein an accommodation cavity is defined by the base and a roller brush rotationally configured by a driver is disposed in the accommodation cavity; a wastewater tank, configured on the main body, with a liquid inlet and a liquid outlet, wherein the liquid inlet connects through the accommodation cavity, an inner wall of the wastewater tank is arc-shaped or a cross-section of the inner wall is ring shaped, an inlet blocker is provided at an inlet of the wastewater tank to divide an air stream flowing to the wastewater tank into multiple air streams to make the multiple air streams collide in the wastewater tank, and a first flow channel respectively connects through the accommodation cavity and the wastewater tank;

a negative pressure source, provided on the main body, generating negative pressure to lead dirt on a waiting to be cleaned surface to pass through the accommodation cavity and the first flow channel in sequence then be deposited into the wastewater tank; and

a water supply tank, configured on the main body, connecting to a suction source and a water divider in sequence with a water outlet channel, wherein at least one of a first distribution channel or a second distribution channel is provided with the water divider, wherein the first distribution channel connects through the roller brush and the second distribution channel leads a liquid stream outwards from the main body.

The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

the water supply tank further includes a tank top portion, a tank bottom portion, and a water storage cavity, a water storage cavity of the water supply tank is divided into at least two cavity portions along a direction from the tank top portion to the tank bottom portion, and an area of cross sections of the cavity portions is reduced gradually.

3. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein: an air divider is provided on the negative pressure

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source and includes an air-dividing inlet and at least two air-dividing outlets, the air-dividing inlet connects to the liquid outlet provided with a filter assembly, the filter assembly is located between the liquid outlet and the air-dividing inlet, and the at least two airdividing outlets connect to an external environment.

 The cleaning equipment according to claim 3, wherein:

the air divider further includes an air-dividing shell configured on the negative pressure source, the air-dividing inlet is provided at a bottom portion of the air-dividing shell and the at least two air-dividing outlets are provided at side portions of the air-dividing shell and located at two sides of the air-dividing shell symmetrically.

 The cleaning equipment according to claim 4, wherein:

the negative pressure source is located above the accommodation cavity, the air divider is located at a bottom portion of the negative pressure source, the liquid outlet is provided at atop portion of the wastewater tank, the air-dividing inlet and the liquid outlet connect longitudinally, a flow gap is provided between an outer wall of the wastewater tank and an inner wall of the accommodation cavity, and the at least two air-dividing outlets of the air divider each connect to an upper portion of the flow gap.

6. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

at least one first unidirectional valve is provided, the at least one first unidirectional valve is located between the suction source and the water divider, the at least one first unidirectional valve is configured to connect to the suction source and the water divider under pressure formed when the suction source is turned-on.

7. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

at least one second unidirectional valve is provided, the at least one second unidirectional valve is located between the first distribution channel and the second distribution channel, the at least one second unidirectional valve is configured to open at least one of the first distribution channel or the second distribution channel under pressure formed when the suction source is turned-on.

8. The cleaning equipment according to claim 2, wherein:

a water outlet structure is provided on the water supply tank, the water outlet structure is located at a bottom portion of the water supply tank, the water outlet structure includes a blocker, a water outlet, and an air inlet connecting to the water storage cavity, the blocker is used to block the water outlet elastically.

 The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

the cleaning equipment further includes a roller brush cover, the roller brush cover is located on the base, the accommodation cavity is defined between the roller brush cover and the base, an inner wall of the roller brush cover fits with at least a part of bristles of the roller brush.

10. The cleaning equipment according to claim 9, wherein:

a first scraping strip is configured on the roller brush cover to scrape wastewater on the roller brush, and a second scraping strip is configured on the base to scrape ground dust.

11. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

a rotating device and a locking mechanism are provided, the rotating device is rotatably assembled on the base or the machine body, the machine body is connected to the base through the rotating device, and the locking mechanism is provided on at least one of the rotating device or the base, the locking mechanism is configured to lock the rotating device at a preset rotation angle, a rotation mechanism is arranged between the rotating device and the machine body, and the machine body rotates through the rotation mechanism on a fixed axis relative to the rotating device.

12. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, comprising:

a main seat detachably configured with the base, wherein a heater, a second fluid channel, and a hot air outlet are provided by the main seat, wherein the second fluid channel is located between the heater and the hot air outlet; and a control panel, wherein a self-cleaning function button with electrical connections is provided on the control panel, wherein the self-cleaning function button defines an initiation of a selfcleaning mode, wherein the cleaning equipment enters a drying mode after the cleaning equipment is initiated into the self-cleaning mode, in which the driver is configured to drive the roller brush to rotate, and the suction source is configured to drive a cleaning medium stored in the water supply tank to supply the roller brush, and the roller brush rotates and self-cleans with the cleaning medium,

wherein the heater is configured to heat at least a part of air flowing through the second fluid channel in a self-cleaning mode to form a hightemperature airflow, and the high-temperature airflow is blown toward the roller brush through the hot air outlet, wherein the negative pressure source is configured to drive the high-temperature airflow to flow along the second fluid channel and a first fluid channel, wherein the high-temperature airflow passes through the roller brush to assist the cleaning medium to wash and dry the roller brush, and the negative pressure source drives dirt on the roller brush to flow into the wastewater tank along with the first fluid channel.

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13. The cleaning equipment according to claim 12, wherein:

a cleaning cavity for accommodating the roller brush is provided on the main seat, a water storage space is provided in the cleaning cavity, at least a part of the roller brush extends into the water storage space, in the self-cleaning mode, the high-temperature airflow heats water in the water storage space.

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14. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

the accommodation cavity is provided with a spray port connecting with the first distribution channel, and an included angle between an injection direction of the spray port and a radial centerline of the roller brush is an acute angle.

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15. The cleaning equipment according to claim 1, wherein:

an ultraviolet (UV) generator is provided, the UV generator is configured in the base.

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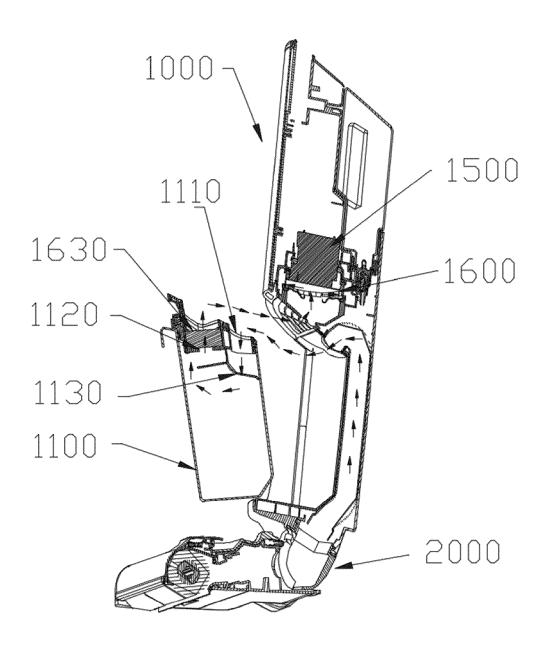


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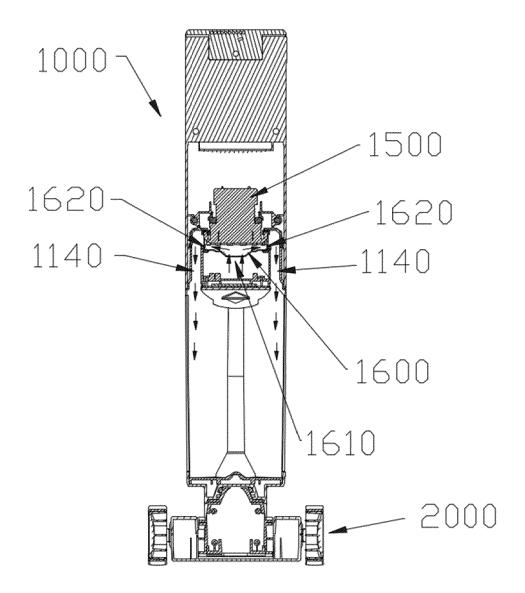


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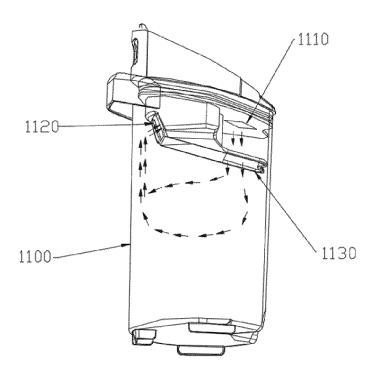


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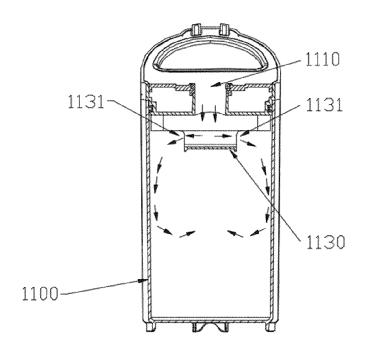


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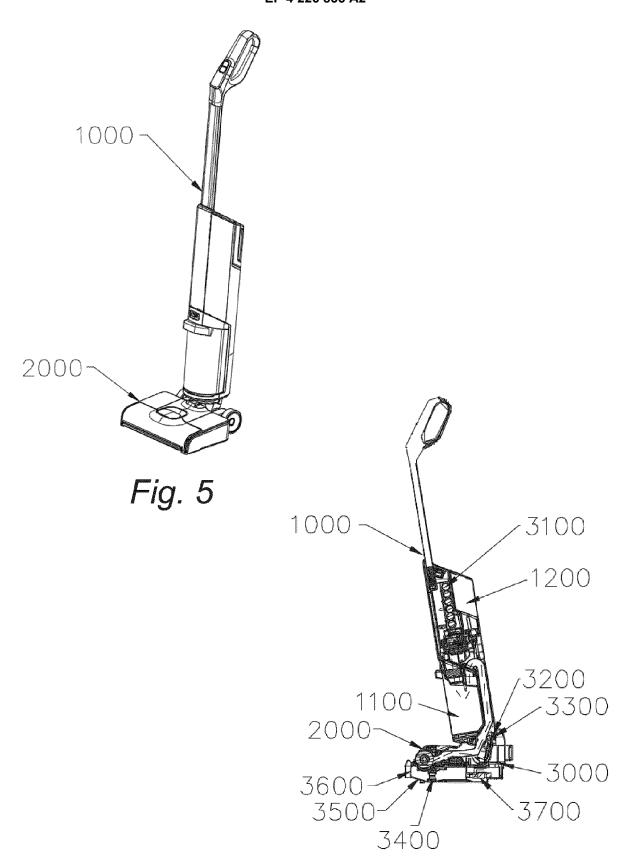
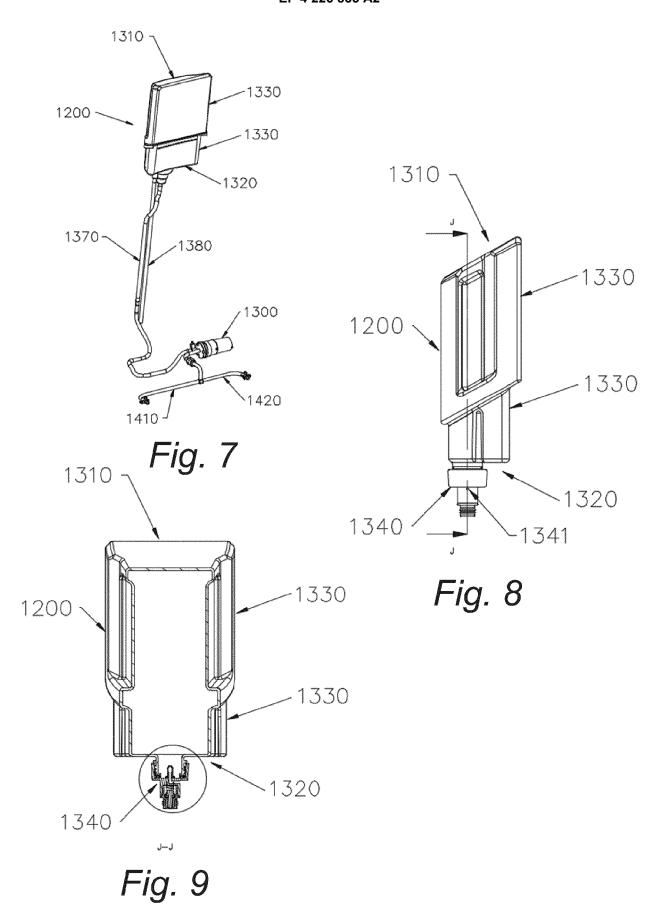


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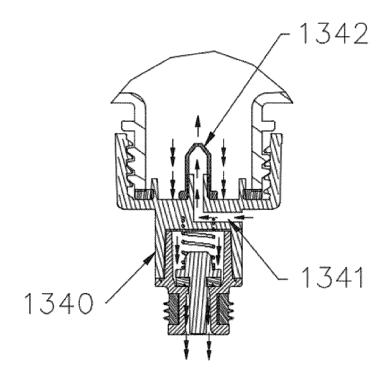


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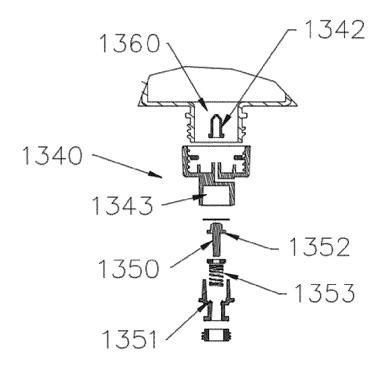


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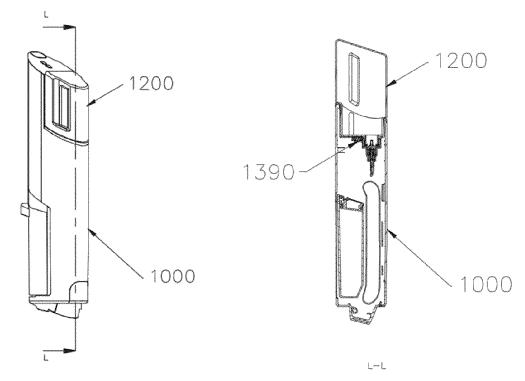


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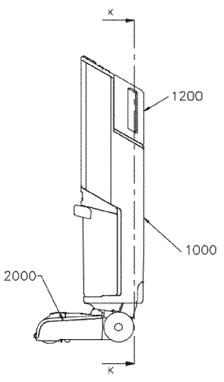


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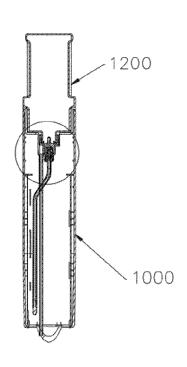
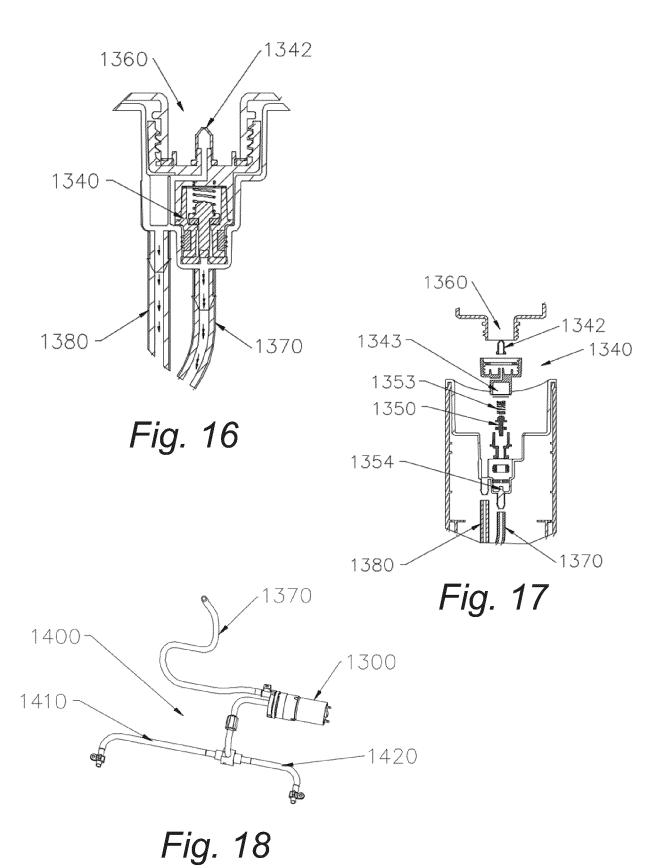
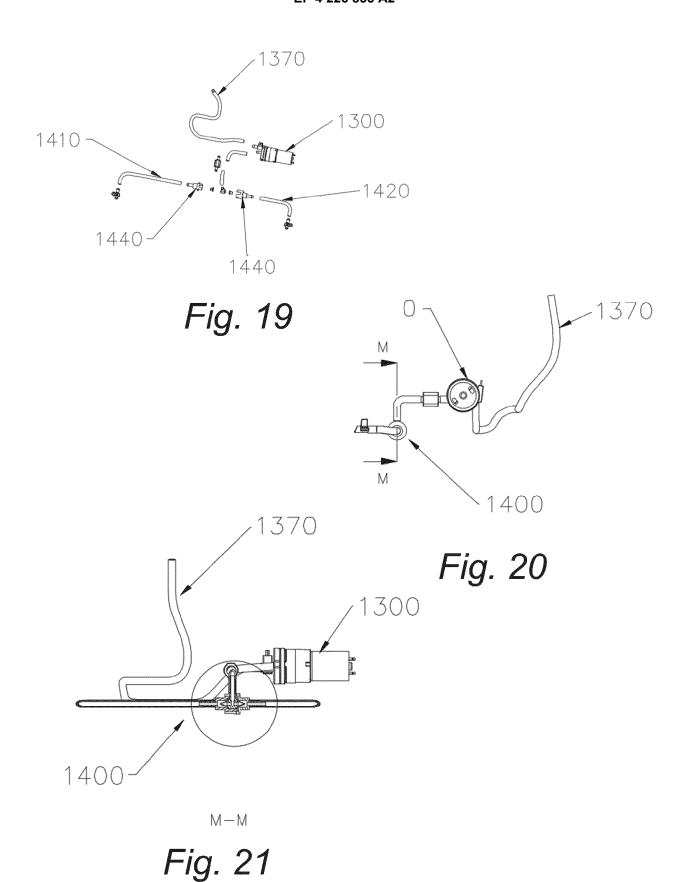
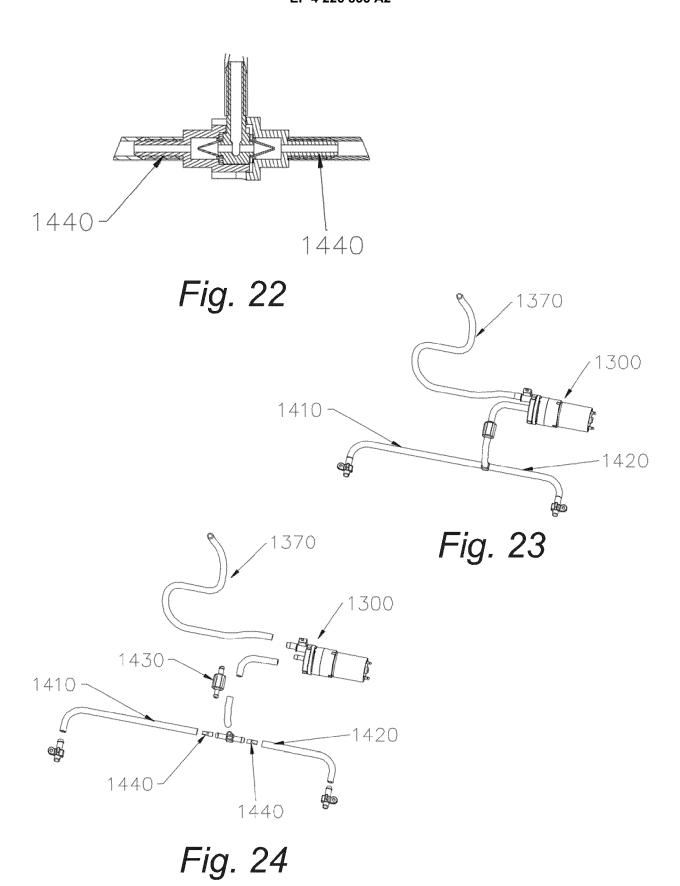


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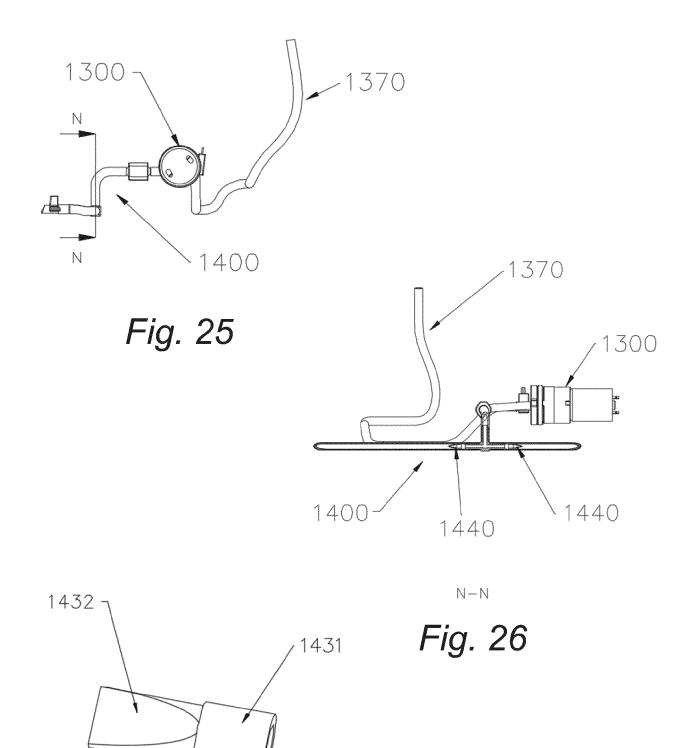


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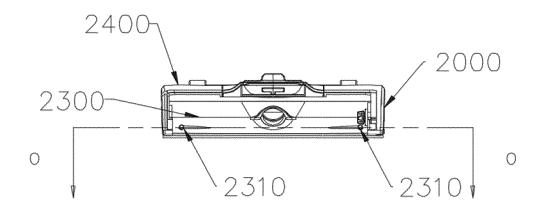


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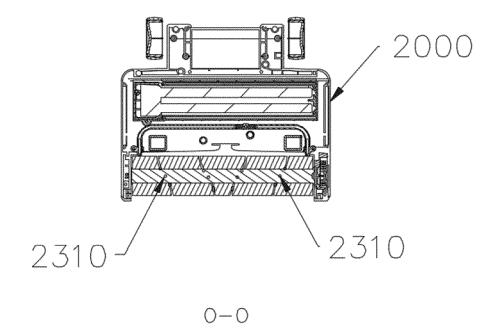


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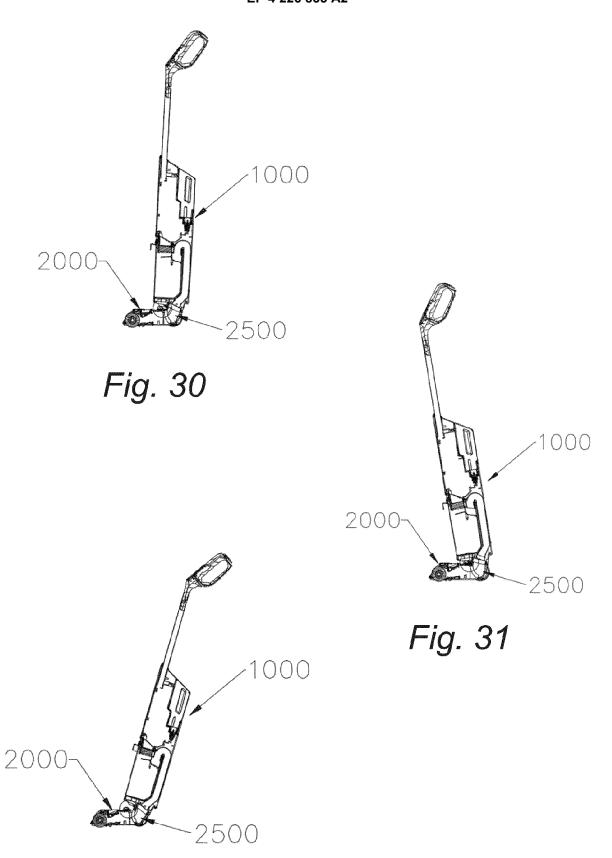


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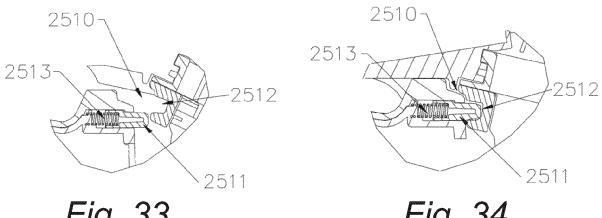


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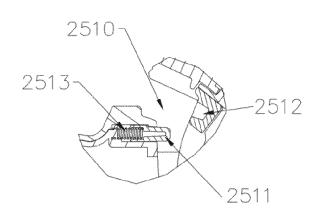


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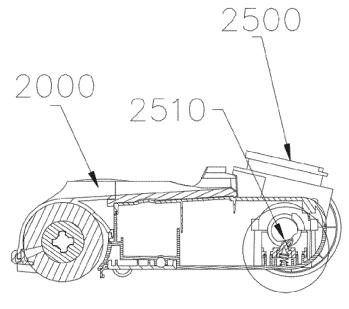
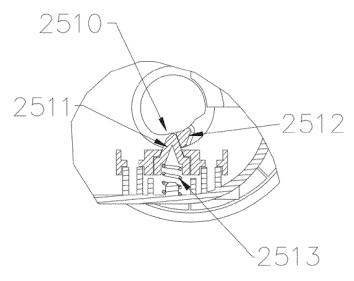
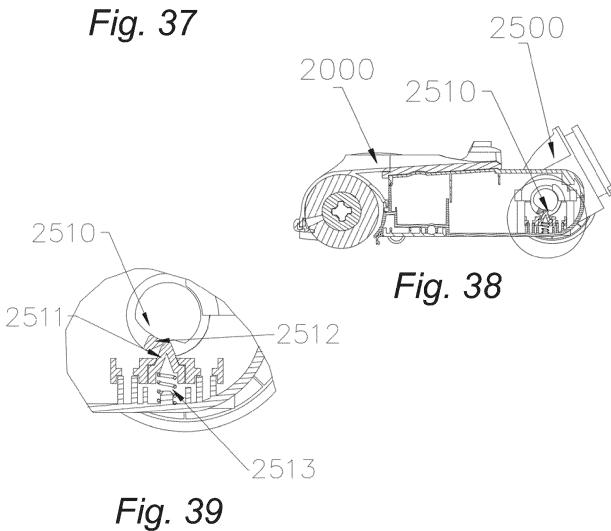


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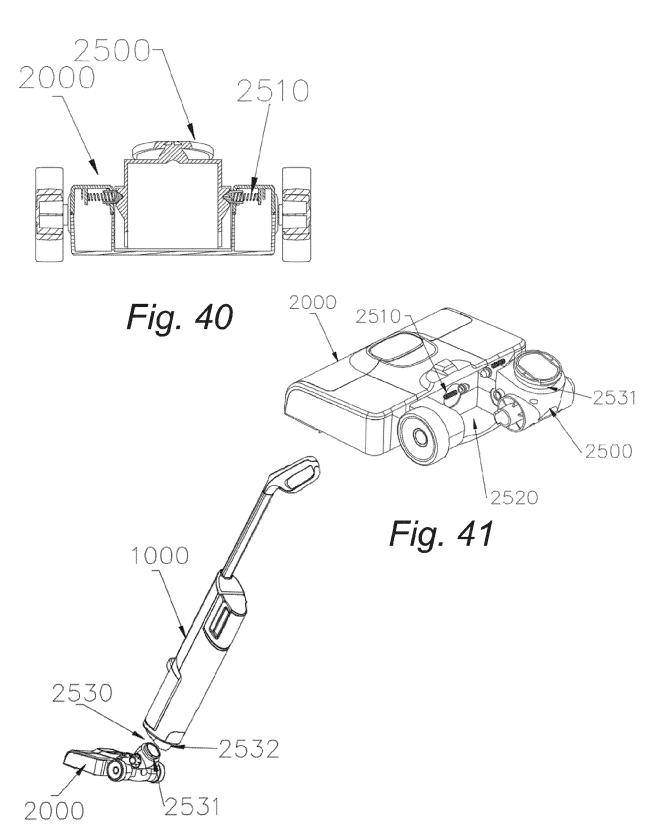


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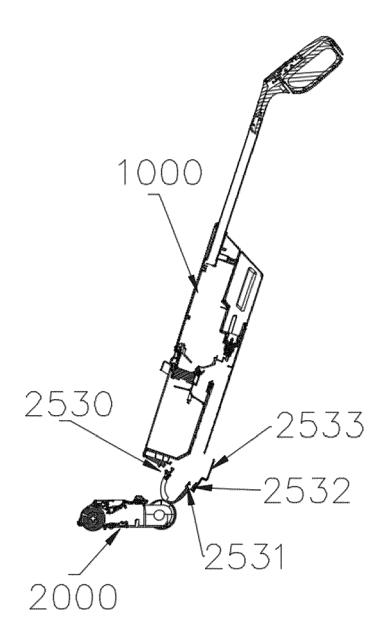
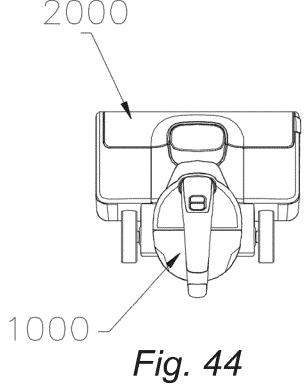
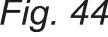
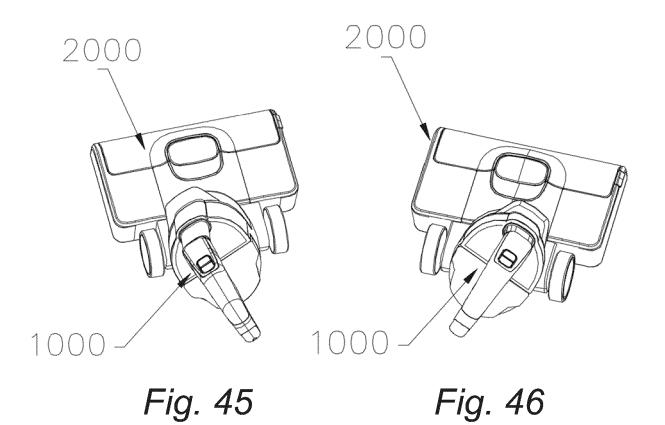


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