

nel 2a. The driving unit 3c is provided, for example, on the rear surface side of the valve core portion 301.

[0084] In the valve changeover unit 303, the valve body 305 and an air-exhaust port 307 are provided. The valve body 305 operates so as to shut off or open the air-exhaust port 307 by obtaining the drive-power of the driving unit 3c. The air-exhaust port 307 communicates to the flow channel 2b. As the valve body 304 or 305, a plate rubber sheet member having a long oval shape is used.

[0085] In the above-mentioned embodiment, when the valve body 304 is opened through the driving unit 3c, the air supplied from the blower 3b is passed through the air-exhaust port 306 and the flow channel 2a and is introduced to the apertures p1 to p3 (not shown in FIG. 2A), the apertures p4 to p12 and the apertures p13 to p17 (not shown in FIG. 2A). Also, when the valve body 305 is opened, the air supplied from the blower 3b is passed through the air-exhaust port 307 and the flow channel 2b and is introduced to the apertures p18, p19, and the apertures p20 to p24 (not shown in FIG. 2A).

[0086] When the valve bodies 304, 305 are opened at the same time, the air supplied from the blower 3b is passed through the air-exhaust port 306 and the flow channel 2a and is introduced to the apertures p1 to p17 and at the same time, the air supplied from the blower 3b is passed through the air-exhaust port 307 and the flow channel 2b and is introduced to the apertures p18 to p24. Also, when the valve bodies 304, 305 are closed at the same time, the air supply to the apertures p1 to p24 stops.

[0087] Accordingly, the programmable air-circulation unit 3 is constituted to send the air to the apertures for every group such as the plurality of apertures p1 to p17 and the plurality of apertures p18 to p24 which are perforated in the base member 1, or to take in the air from the apertures for every group such as the apertures p1 to p17 and the apertures p18 to p24. AS shown in FIG. 2B, in the touch-sensitive sheet member 100, the air supplied from the air-circulation unit 3 by passing it through the flow channel 2a and the like can be blown out to the outside from the aperture p5, the aperture p8, the aperture p10 or the like. It should be noted that realizing air-taking from the apertures p1 to p17 and the apertures p18 to p24 is allowed by exchanging the connections of the flow channels 2a, 2b and the air-exhaust ports 306, 307.

[0088] FIG. 3 shows a configuration of the blower 3b. The blower 3b shown in FIG. 3 is a blower having a piston type structure and contains an apparatus main body 311, an air-intake port 312, a valve body 313, a piston unit 314, a piezoelectric unit 315, a valve body 316, an air-exhaust port 317 and a pedestal 318 in concurrent use of a lid. The apparatus main body 311 has a rectangular sectional shape and has internal volume in which the piston unit 314 is reciprocated. The apparatus main body 311 is constituted, for example, by a housing member formed by molding a resin or a light metal using a die.

[0089] In the apparatus main body 311, the air-intake port 312 and the air-exhaust port 317 are provided which have predetermined sizes (aperture diameters). The air-intake port 312 and the air-exhaust port 317 are provided together in parallel in, for example, the up/down on one of the side surfaces of the apparatus main body 311. The aperture diameters of the air-intake port 312 and the air-exhaust port 317 are set to have the same diameter, or are set so that the aperture diameter of the air-exhaust port 317 is larger than that of the

air-intake port 312. The reason why the aperture diameter of the air-exhaust port 317 is set larger is because the air-exhaust resistance is decreased.

[0090] The valve body 313 is movably mounted on the air-intake port 312, and is opened when the air is taken in the apparatus main body 311. The valve body 313 is closed when the air is released to the outside from the inside of the apparatus main body 311. In the inside of the apparatus main body 311, the piston unit 314 having a predetermined shape is provided. The piezoelectric unit 315 is mounted on one side of the piston unit 314 and the piston unit reciprocates by obtaining a driving force of the piezoelectric unit 315.

[0091] The valve body 316 is movably mounted on the air-exhaust port 317 and is opened when the air is released to the outside from the inside of the apparatus main body 311. The valve body 316 is closed when the air is taken in the apparatus main body 311. As the valve body 313 or 316, a plate shaped rubber sheet member is used. The piezoelectric unit 315 is mounted on the pedestal 318 concurrent used as the lid body. For the piezoelectric unit 315, a piezoelectric device (PZT: Actuator) is used. The pedestal 318 concurrent used as the lid body is assembled so as to close the apparatus main body 311. In this manner, the blower 3b is constituted which can supply the air to the flow channel panel 2 through the flow channel changeover unit 3a.

[0092] Although, in this embodiment, the blower 3b of a piston type has been described, the blower is not limited to this; a blower in which a Venturi effect is used may be used. A blower of Venturi type includes a diaphragm in a pump room and a Venturi tube unit is communicated to one end of the pump room. The Venturi tube unit is provided with an intake port and an exhaust port.

[0093] According to this blower, the diaphragm pushes air in the pump room out, so that the high speed air current occurs toward the Venturi tube unit from the pump room. The Venturi tube unit is designed to have an aperture diameter smaller than ones of the intake port or the exhaust port, so that the current speed of air (gas) becomes very high speed as compared with ones of the outside of the exhaust port.

[0094] On the other hand, the outside of the exhaust port is an atmospheric pressure (one atm), but the Venturi tube unit becomes negative pressure because the air current speed is big. Here, Bernoulli's theorem is formed between the Venturi tube unit and the outside of the exhaust port. When an air density is made ρ , the speed of the air in the Venturi tube unit is made as v_1 , the pressure thereof is made as P_1 , the speed of the air at the outside of the exhaust port is made as v_2 and the pressure thereof is made as P_2 , a formula (1) is obtained from the relationship of $v_1 > v_2$, $P_1 < P_2$, specifically as follows.

$$\rho * v_1^2 + 2 * P_1 = \rho * v_2^2 + 2 * P_2 \quad (1)$$

[0095] The P_2 is an atmospheric pressure and P_1 is lower than an atmospheric pressure, so that air is taken from the intake port through the flow channel. Specifically, the air having volume more than volume of the pushed air in the pump room is blown out of the exhaust port.

[0096] Further, when the diaphragm pulls air in the pump room, high speed air current occurs toward the pump room from the Venturi tube unit. In this case, similarly as the above, negative pressure occurs because the current speed of air of the Venturi tube unit is larger as compared with that of air of the outside of the exhaust port. This enables air to be taken from the intake port through the flow channel. It is also