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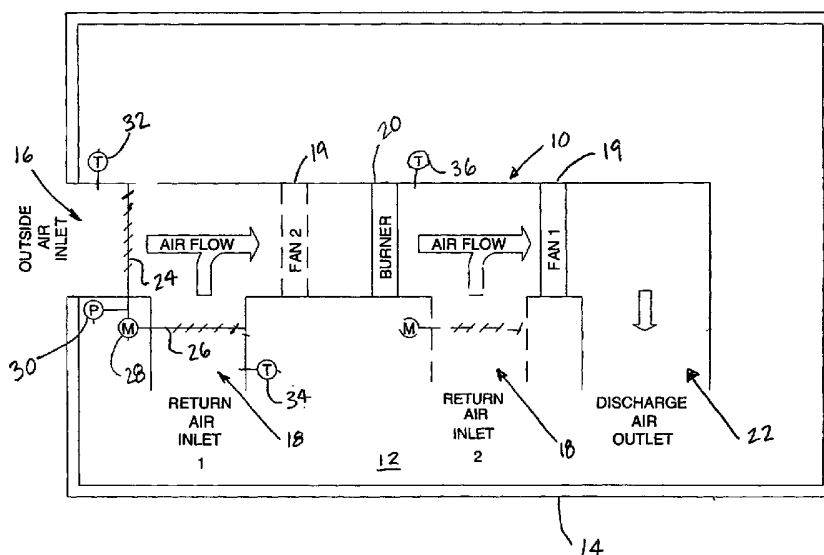
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(57) Abstract: A method of determining the amount of air flowing through an outside air damper (24) of a recirculating air heater (10) includes the steps of sensing an amount of airflow flowing through the damper, recording the amount of airflow and a damper position value at a plurality of damper positions, and interpolating a curve relating the amount of airflow to the damper position for all damper positions between a minimum damper position and a maximum damper position. Once the amount of air flowing through the outside air damper is determined from a position on the curve, the concentration of carbon dioxide (CO₂) within a building space can be calculated and/or determined to be within acceptable limits.



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