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Description

FIELD

[0001] The present disclosure relates to a field of household appliances, and more particularly to a dishwasher.

BACKGROUND

[0002] For a dishwasher of the related art, an accommodating cavity of a body is heated up during a drying process, and tableware in the accommodating cavity is dried by the heat in the accommodating cavity. However, the heat in the accommodating cavity may be lost through a wall of the accommodating cavity.

[0003] JP2007 229190A relates to a dishwasher being provided with a dehumidification unit having a heat exchanger exchanging the heat between air inside the washing tub and air outside the washing tub, and an outside air suction port provided adjacent to a door part provided in the front face of the washing tub and incorporating the outside air linked with the dehumidification unit.

[0004] DE10040548A1 relates to a device consisting of a cold trap for vapor from a dishwasher or washing machine and a transport arrangement for carrying the vapor out of the dish chamber or similar. The cold trap is in the form of an indirect heat exchanger followed by a drop separator. A line for extracting condensate from the gas-conveying volume is connected to the drop separator.

[0005] JPH0690890A relates to dish drier having a suction duct provided to introduce air outside a main body into a drying chamber and an exhaust duct to introduce air in the drying chamber outside the main body being shielded with the suction duct and a heat exchanger. The heat exchanger is so arranged to have a draft path in the direction the same as that of drafting to an outlet from an inlet of the exhaust duct while being inclined downward to the side of the inlet from the side of the outlet.

SUMMARY

[0006] Embodiments of the present disclosure seek to solve at least one of the problems existing in the related art to at least some extent. Accordingly, the present disclosure provides a dishwasher having advantages of high heating efficiency and low energy consumption.

[0007] According to the present invention, there is provided a dishwasher as set out in claim 1.

[0008] The dishwasher according to embodiments of the present disclosure has advantages of high heating efficiency and low energy consumption.

[0009] In addition, the dishwasher according to the above embodiments of the present disclosure can have the following technical features.

[0010] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, an air inlet of the first fan is in communication

with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan is connected with the cooling air inlet through an air inlet pipe; an air inlet of the second fan is connected with the air outlet through a first passage, and an air outlet of the second fan is connected with the hot air inlet through a second passage.

[0011] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, an air inlet of the first fan is in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan is connected with the cooling air inlet through an air inlet pipe; the cooling air outlet is in communication with the inlet of the heater through a third passage; the hot air outlet is in communication with the external environment through a fourth passage; an air inlet of the second fan is connected with the air outlet through a first passage, and an air outlet of the second fan is connected with the hot air inlet through a second passage.

[0012] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, an air inlet of the first fan is in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan is connected with the cooling air inlet through an air inlet pipe; an air inlet of the second fan is connected with the air outlet through a first passage, and an air outlet of the second fan is connected with the hot air inlet through a second passage; the dishwasher further includes a fifth passage, a sixth passage, a seventh passage and an eighth passage; a first end of the fifth passage is connected with the hot air outlet, and a second end of the fifth passage is in communication with the external environment; a first end of the eighth passage is connected with the fifth passage, and a second end of the eighth passage is connected with the inlet of the heater; a first end of the sixth passage is connected with the cooling air outlet, and a second end of the sixth passage is in communication with the external environment; and a first end of the seventh passage is connected with the sixth passage, and a second end of the seventh passage is connected with the inlet of the heater.

[0013] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, the heater includes a tube and a heating element provided in the tube; the tube has an inlet and an outlet, the inlet of the tube is in communication with at least one of the hot air outlet and the cooling air outlet, and the outlet of the tube is in communication with the air inlet.

[0014] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, the air inlet is connected with the outlet of the heater through a ninth passage.

[0015] According to some embodiment of the present disclosure, the air inlet is defined in a peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity and adjacent to a bottom wall of the accommodating cavity, and the air outlet is defined in the peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity and adjacent to a top wall of the accommodating cavity.

[0016] Additional aspects and advantages of embodiments of present disclosure will be given in part in the following descriptions, become apparent in part from the following descriptions, or be learned from the practice of

the embodiments of the present disclosure.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0017] These and other aspects and advantages of embodiments of the present disclosure will become apparent and more readily appreciated from the following descriptions made with reference to the drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a schematic view of a dishwasher according to a related example not falling within the scope of the present claimed invention but suitable for understanding the same.

Fig. 2 is a schematic view of a dishwasher according to another related example not falling within the scope of the present claimed invention but suitable for understanding the same.

Fig. 3 is a schematic view of a dishwasher according to an embodiment of the present disclosure.

Fig. 4 is a schematic view of a heater of a dishwasher according to embodiments of the present disclosure.

Reference numerals:

[0018]

dishwasher 100,
body 1, accommodating cavity 11, air inlet 111, air outlet 112,
heat exchanger 2, hot air inlet 21, hot air outlet 22,
cooling air inlet 23, cooling air outlet 24, first fan 3,
heater 4, tube 41, heating element 42, inlet 43 of heater,
outlet 44 of heater,
second fan 5,
air inlet pipe 6, first passage 61, second passage 62,
third passage 63, fourth passage 64, fifth passage 65,
sixth passage 66, seventh passage 67, eighth passage 68,
ninth passage 69.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0019] Embodiments of the present disclosure will be described in detail in the following, and examples of the embodiments will be shown in drawings. The embodiments described herein with reference to drawings are explanatory, and used to interpret the present disclosure. The embodiments shall not be construed to limit the present disclosure.

[0020] A dishwasher 100 according to related examples and embodiments of the present disclosure will be described with reference to Figs. 1 to 4. As shown in Figs. 1 to 4, the dishwasher 100 according to embodiments of the present disclosure includes a body 1, a heat exchanger 2, a first fan 3 configured to convey cooling air to the

heat exchanger 2, a heater 4, and a second fan 5 configured to convey hot air in an accommodating cavity 11 to the heat exchanger 2.

[0021] The body 1 defines the accommodating cavity 11 therein, and a wall of the accommodating cavity 11 defines an air inlet 111 and an air outlet 112. The heat exchanger 2 has a hot air inlet 21, a hot air outlet 22, a cooling air inlet 23 and a cooling air outlet 24. The hot air inlet 21 is in communication with the air outlet 112, the cooling air inlet 23 is in communication with external environment, and at least one of the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24 is in communication with the external environment.

[0022] An inlet 43 of the heater 4 is in communication with at least one of the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24, and an outlet 44 of the heater 4 is in communication with the air inlet 111. The first fan 3 can be configured to convey the cooling air to the heat exchanger 2, and the second fan 5 is configured to convey the hot air in the accommodating cavity 11 to the heat exchanger 2. The second fan 5 can be located between the air outlet 112 and the hot air inlet 21, or between the hot air outlet 22 and the air inlet 111.

[0023] A present dishwasher heats up an accommodating cavity of a body during a drying process, and tableware in the accommodating cavity is dried by the heat in the accommodating cavity. However, the heat in the accommodating cavity may be lost through a wall of the accommodating cavity, such that only part of the heat is transferred to the tableware in the accommodating cavity. Moreover, when a fan is started to reduce humidity in the accommodating cavity, the temperature of the accommodating cavity will be lowered, and the heat in the accommodating cavity will flow out of the accommodating cavity along with an airstream produced by the fan. Thus, the present dishwasher has defects of low heating efficiency and high energy consumption.

[0024] Since the air outlet 112 of the accommodating cavity 11 is in communication with the hot air inlet 21 of the heat exchanger 2, the hot air in the accommodating cavity 11 enters the heat exchanger 2 through the air outlet 112 and the hot air inlet 21 sequentially when the second fan 5 is started. The first fan 3 conveys cooling air from the external environment to the heat exchanger 2 through the cooling air inlet 23 of the heat exchanger 2. The cooling air from the external environment conducts heat exchange, in the heat exchanger 2, with the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11, such that the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 is condensed to lower humidity of the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11, thereby taking away moisture on the tableware.

[0025] Meanwhile, the cooling air from the external environment is heated by the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11. That is, part of the heat of the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 is transferred to the cooling air from the external environment. In other words, the part of heat leaving the accommodating cavity 11 along with the hot air remains in the cooling air, and the rest

heat remains in the hot air.

[0026] Since the inlet 43 of the heater 4 is in communication with the at least one of the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24, the part of heat leaving the accommodating cavity 11 enters the heater 4 and hence returns to the accommodating cavity 11. That is, the part of heat leaving the accommodating cavity 11 is not lost but returns to the accommodating cavity 11. The heater 4 heats up the air entering the heater 4, and the heated air enters the accommodating cavity 11 to dry the tableware in the accommodating cavity 11.

[0027] By utilizing the hot air to dry the tableware in the accommodating cavity 11, the dishwasher 100 according to embodiments of the present disclosure may reduce the quantity of heat lost through the wall of the accommodating cavity 11 considerably, such that more heat is conveyed to the tableware in the accommodating cavity 11, thereby improving heating efficiency and drying speed of the dishwasher 100, and lowering energy consumption of the dishwasher 100.

[0028] In addition, for the dishwasher 100 according to embodiments of the present disclosure, by communicating the inlet of the heater 4 with the at least one of the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24, the part of heat leaving the accommodating cavity 11 can return to the accommodating cavity 11 again, and hence it is possible to prevent the heat in the accommodating cavity 11 from getting lost along with the airstream produced by the fan, so as to reduce the energy consumption of the dishwasher 100.

[0029] Therefore, the dishwasher 100 according to embodiments of the present disclosure has advantages of high heating efficiency, high drying speed and low energy consumption.

[0030] As shown in Figs. 1 to 4, the dishwasher 100 according to related examples and embodiments of the present disclosure includes the body 1, the heat exchanger 2, the first fan 3, the heater 4 and the second fan 5.

[0031] As shown in Fig. 1, the body 1 defines the accommodating cavity 11 therein, and the tableware can be stored in the accommodating cavity 11. The air inlet 111 and the air outlet 112 are defined in the wall of the accommodating cavity 11.

[0032] Advantageously, the air inlet 111 is located below the air outlet 112. Since the hot air flows from the bottom up, the air inlet 111 is provided below the air outlet 112, thereby facilitating flow of the hot air into the accommodating cavity 11.

[0033] As shown in Fig. 1, the wall of the accommodating cavity 11 is provided with the air inlet 111 and the air outlet 112. For example, the air inlet 111 can be defined in a peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity 11 and adjacent to a bottom wall of the accommodating cavity 11; the air outlet 112 can be defined in the peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity 11 and adjacent to a top wall of the accommodating cavity 11, so as to facilitate flow of the hot air into the accommodating cavity

11. The peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity 11 includes a front wall, a rear wall, a left wall and a right wall of the accommodating cavity 11.

[0034] In a specific example of the present disclosure, the heat exchanger 2 can internally define a first cavity in communication with the hot air inlet 21 and the hot air outlet 22, and a second cavity in communication with the cooling air inlet 23 and the cooling air outlet 24, the first cavity being separated from the second cavity. The cooling air from the external environment and the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 can conduct heat exchange in the heat exchanger 2 through a wall partitioning the first cavity from the second cavity.

[0035] As shown in Fig. 1, in a related example, the hot air inlet 21 is in communication with the air inlet 111, the hot air outlet 22 is in communication with the inlet 43 of the heater 4, and the cooling air inlet 23 and the cooling air outlet 24 are both in communication with the external environment. In such a case, the accommodating cavity 11, the second fan 5, the heat exchanger 2 and the heater 4 constitute a closed loop, such that the hot air is kept within the closed loop to minimize the heat loss. The first fan 3 and the heat exchanger 2 constitute an open loop.

[0036] After the cooling air from the external environment conducts heat exchange with the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 in the heat exchanger 2, the cooling air from the external environment returns to the external environment through the cooling air outlet 24, while the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 enters the heater 4 through the hot air outlet 22. The hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 is heated by the heater 4 and then returns to the accommodating cavity 11. That is, the heat of the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 returns to the accommodating cavity 11.

[0037] Specifically, an air inlet of the first fan 3 can be in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan 3 can be connected with the cooling air inlet 23; the air inlet of the first fan 3 can also be connected with the cooling air outlet 24, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 can be in communication with the external environment. An air inlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the air outlet 112, and an air outlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the hot air inlet 21; the air inlet of the second fan 5 can also be connected with the hot air outlet 22, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the inlet 43 of the heater 4; the air inlet of the second fan 5 can further be connected with the outlet 44 of the heater 4, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the air inlet 111.

[0038] As shown in Fig. 1, in a specific example of the present disclosure, the air inlet of the first fan 3 is in communication with the external environment, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 is connected with the cooling air inlet 23 through an air inlet pipe 6. Under the action of the first fan 3, the cooling air from the external environment enters the heat exchanger 2 through the air inlet pipe 6 and the cooling air inlet 23.

[0039] The air inlet of the second fan 5 is connected

with the air outlet 112 through a first passage 61, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 is connected with the hot air inlet 21 through a second passage 62. In other words, a first end of the first passage 61 is connected with the air inlet of the second fan 5, a second end of the first passage 61 is connected with the air outlet 112, a first end of the second passage 62 is connected with the air outlet of the second fan 5, and a second end of the second passage 62 is connected with the hot air inlet 21.

[0040] As shown in Fig. 2, in a further related example, the hot air inlet 21 is in communication with the air outlet 112, the hot air outlet 22 is in communication with the external environment, the cooling air inlet 23 is in communication with the external environment, and the cooling air outlet 24 is in communication with the inlet 43 of the heater 4. Thus, the dishwasher 100 forms a semi-closed loop.

[0041] After the cooling air from the external environment conducts heat exchange with the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 in the heat exchanger 2, the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 enters the external environment through the hot air outlet 22, while the cooling air from the external environment enters the heater 4 through the cooling air outlet 24. The cooling air from the external environment is heated by the heater 4 and then enters the accommodating cavity 11. That is, the heat stored in the cooling air from the external environment returns to the accommodating cavity 11.

[0042] Specifically, the air inlet of the first fan 3 can be in communication with the external environment, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 can be connected with the cooling air inlet 23; the air inlet of the first fan 3 can also be connected with the cooling air outlet 24, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 can be connected with the inlet 43 of the heater 4. The air inlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the air outlet 112, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the hot air inlet 21; the air inlet of the second fan 5 can also be connected with the hot air outlet 22, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be in communication with the external environment.

[0043] As shown in Fig. 2, in an example of the present disclosure, the air inlet of the first fan 3 is in communication with the external environment, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 is connected with the cooling air inlet 23 through the air inlet pipe 6. Under the action of the first fan 3, the cooling air from the external environment enters the heat exchanger 2 through the air inlet pipe 6 and the cooling air inlet 23. The cooling air outlet 24 is in communication with the inlet 43 of the heater 4 through a third passage 63. That is, a first end of the third passage 63 is connected with the cooling air outlet 24, and a second end of the third passage 63 is connected with the inlet 43 of the heater 4. The hot air outlet is in communication with the external environment through a fourth passage 64. That is, a first end of the fourth passage 64 is connected with the hot air outlet 22, and a second of the fourth passage 64 is in communication with the external

environment.

[0044] The air inlet of the second fan 5 is connected with the air outlet 112 through the first passage 61, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 is connected with the hot air inlet 21 through the second passage 62. In other words, the first end of the first passage 61 is connected with the air inlet of the second fan 5, the second end of the first passage 61 is connected with the air outlet 112, the first end of the second passage 62 is connected with the air outlet of the second fan 5, and the second end of the second passage 62 is connected with the hot air inlet 21.

[0045] As shown in Fig. 3, in an embodiment of the present disclosure, the hot air inlet 21 is in communication with the air outlet 112, the hot air outlet 22 is in communication with each of the inlet of the heater 4 and the external environment, the cooling air inlet 23 is in communication with the external environment, and the cooling air outlet 24 is in communication with each of the inlet 43 of the heater 4 and the external environment. In other words, the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24 both can be in communication with the inlet of the heater 4 and the external environment simultaneously. In such a case, the dishwasher 100 forms a semi-closed loop.

[0046] After the cooling air from the external environment conducts heat exchange with the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 in the heat exchanger 2, part of the hot air from the accommodating cavity 11 enters the external environment while rest of the hot air enters the heater 4, and part of the cooling air from the external environment enters the external environment while rest of the cooling air enters the heater 4.

[0047] Specifically, the air inlet of the first fan 3 can be in communication with the external environment, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 can be connected with the cooling air inlet 23; the air inlet of the first fan 3 can also be connected with the cooling air outlet 24, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 can be in communication with the inlet 43 of the heater and the external environment. The air inlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the air outlet 112, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be connected with the hot air inlet 21; the air inlet of the second fan 5 can also be connected with the hot air outlet 22, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 can be in communication with the air inlet of the heater 4 and the external environment.

[0048] As shown in Fig. 4, the air inlet of the first fan 3 is in communication with the external environment, and the air outlet of the first fan 3 is connected with the cooling air inlet 23 through the air inlet pipe 6. Under the action of the first fan 3, the cooling air from the external environment enters the heat exchanger 2 through the air inlet pipe 6 and the cooling air inlet 23. The air inlet of the second fan 5 is connected with the air outlet 112 through the first passage 61, and the air outlet of the second fan 5 is connected with the hot air inlet 21 through the second passage 62.

[0049] The dishwasher 100 further includes a fifth pas-

sage 65, a sixth passage 66, a seventh passage 67 and an eighth passage 68. A first end of the fifth passage 65 is connected with the hot air outlet 22, and a second end of the fifth passage 65 is in communication with the external environment. A first end of the eighth passage 68 is connected with the fifth passage 65, and a second end of the eighth passage 68 is connected with the inlet 43 of the heater 4. A first end of the sixth passage 66 is connected with the cooling air outlet 24, and a second end of the sixth passage 66 is in communication with the external environment. A first end of the seventh passage 67 is connected with the sixth passage 66, and a second end of the seventh passage 67 is connected with the inlet 43 of the heater.

[0050] As shown in Fig. 5, in some examples of the present disclosure, the heater 4 includes a tube 41 and a heating element 42 provided in the tube 41. The tube 41 has an inlet and an outlet, the inlet of the tube 41 is in communication with at least one of the hot air outlet 22 and the cooling air outlet 24, and the outlet of the inner tube 41 is in communication with the air inlet 111. The air heated by the heater 4 enters the accommodating cavity 11 and is used to dry the tableware in the accommodating cavity 11.

[0051] Advantageously, as shown in Fig. 4, the heater 4 includes a plurality of heating elements 42, and the plurality of heating elements 42 are disposed in the tube 41 and spaced apart from each other.

[0052] As shown in Figs. 1 to 3, in a specific example of the present disclosure, the air inlet 111 is connected with the outlet 44 of the heater 4 through a ninth passage 69. In other words, a first end of the ninth passage 69 is connected with the air inlet 111, and a second end of the ninth passage 69 is connected with the outlet 44 of the heater.

[0053] In the specification, it is to be understood that terms such as 'central,' 'longitudinal,' 'transverse,' 'length,' 'width,' 'thickness,' 'upper,' 'lower,' 'front,' 'rear,' 'left,' 'right,' 'vertical,' 'horizontal,' 'top,' 'bottom,' 'inner,' 'outer,' 'clockwise,' 'counterclockwise,' 'axial,' 'radial,' and 'circumferential' should be construed to refer to the orientation as then described or as shown in the drawings under discussion. These relative terms are for convenience of description and do not require that the present invention be constructed or operated in a particular orientation.

[0054] In addition, terms such as 'first' and 'second' are used herein for purposes of description and are not intended to indicate or imply relative importance or significance or to imply the number of indicated technical features. Thus, the feature defined with 'first' and 'second' may comprise one or more of this feature. In the description of the present invention, the term 'a plurality of' means two or more than two, unless specified otherwise.

[0055] In the present invention, unless specified or limited otherwise, the terms 'mounted,' 'connected,' 'coupled,' 'fixed' and the like are used broadly, and may be,

for example, fixed connections, detachable connections, or integral connections; may also be mechanical or electrical connections; may also be direct connections or indirect connections via intervening structures; may also be inner communications of two elements, which can be understood by those skilled in the art according to specific situations.

[0056] In the present invention, unless specified or limited otherwise, a structure in which a first feature is 'on' or 'below' a second feature may include an embodiment in which the first feature is in direct contact with the second feature, and may also include an embodiment in which the first feature and the second feature are not in direct contact with each other, but are contacted via an additional feature formed therebetween. Furthermore, a first feature 'on,' 'above,' or 'on top of' a second feature may include an embodiment in which the first feature is right or obliquely 'on,' 'above,' or 'on top of' the second feature, or just means that the first feature is at a height higher than that of the second feature; while a first feature 'below,' 'under,' or 'on bottom of' a second feature may include an embodiment in which the first feature is right or obliquely 'below,' 'under,' or 'on bottom of' the second feature, or just means that the first feature is at a height lower than that of the second feature.

[0057] Reference throughout this specification to 'an embodiment,' 'some embodiments,' 'an example,' 'a specific example,' or 'some examples,' means that a particular feature, structure, material, or characteristic described in connection with the embodiment or example is included in at least one embodiment or example of the present disclosure. Thus, the appearances of the phrases such as 'in some embodiments,' 'in one embodiment,' 'in an embodiment,' 'in another example,' 'in an example,' 'in a specific example,' or 'in some examples,' in various places throughout this specification are not necessarily referring to the same embodiment or example of the present disclosure. Furthermore, the particular features, structures, materials, or characteristics may be combined in any suitable manner in one or more embodiments or examples.

[0058] Although explanatory embodiments have been shown and described, it would be appreciated by those skilled in the art that the above embodiments cannot be construed to limit the present disclosure, and changes, alternatives, and modifications can be made in the embodiments without departing from the scope of the present disclosure.

Claims

1. A dishwasher (100), comprising:

a body (1) defining an accommodating cavity (11), a wall of the accommodating cavity (11) defining an air inlet (111) and an air outlet (112); a heat exchanger (2) having a hot air inlet (21),

a hot air outlet (22), a cooling air inlet (23) and a cooling air outlet (24), the hot air inlet (21) being in communication with the air outlet (112), the cooling air inlet (23) being in communication with external environment, and the hot air outlet (22) being in communication with the external environment;

a first fan (3) configured to convey cooling air to the heat exchanger (2);

a heater (4) having an inlet (43) and an outlet (44), the inlet (43) of the heater (4) being in communication with the cooling air outlet (24), and the outlet (44) of the heater being in communication with the air inlet (111); and

characterised by:

a second fan (5) configured to convey hot air in the accommodation cavity (11) to the heat exchanger (2), and located between the air outlet (112) and the hot air inlet (21), wherein the hot air outlet (22) is in communication with each of the inlet (43) of the heater (4) and the external environment, and the cooling air outlet (24) is in communication with each of the inlet (43) of the heater (4) and the external environment.

2. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein an air inlet of the first fan (3) is in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan (3) is connected with the cooling air inlet (24) through an air inlet pipe (6); an air inlet of the second fan (5) is connected with the air outlet (112) through a first passage (61), and an air outlet of the second fan (5) is connected with the hot air inlet (21) through a second passage (62).

3. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein an air inlet of the first fan (3) is in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan (3) is connected with the cooling air inlet (23) through an air inlet pipe (6); the cooling air outlet (24) is in communication with the inlet (43) of the heater through a third passage (63); the hot air outlet (22) is in communication with the external environment through a fourth passage (64); an air inlet of the second fan (5) is connected with the air outlet (112) through a first passage (61), and an air outlet of the second fan (5) is connected with the hot air inlet (21) through a second passage (62).

4. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein an air inlet of the first fan (3) is in communication with the external environment, and an air outlet of the first fan (3) is connected with the cooling air inlet (23) through an air inlet pipe (6); an air inlet of the second fan (5) is connected with the air outlet (112) through a first passage (61), and an air outlet of the second

fan (5) is connected with the hot air inlet (21) through a second passage (62);

wherein the dishwasher (100) further comprises a fifth passage (65), a sixth passage (66), a seventh passage (67) and an eighth passage (68); a first end of the fifth passage (65) is connected with the hot air outlet (22), and a second end of the fifth passage (65) is in communication with the external environment; a first end of the eighth passage (68) is connected with the fifth passage (65), and a second end of the eighth passage (68) is connected with the inlet (43) of the heater; a first end of the sixth passage (66) is connected with the cooling air outlet (23), and a second end of the sixth passage (66) is in communication with the external environment; and a first end of the seventh passage (67) is connected with the sixth passage (66), and a second end of the seventh passage (67) is connected with the inlet (43) of the heater.

5. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein the heater (4) comprises a tube (41) and a heating element (42) provided in the tube (41); the tube (41) has an inlet and an outlet, the inlet of the tube (41) is in communication with the hot air outlet (22), and the outlet of the tube (41) is in communication with the air inlet (111).

6. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein the air inlet (111) is connected with the outlet (44) of the heater (4) through a ninth passage (69).

7. The dishwasher (100) according to claim 1, wherein the air inlet (111) is defined in a peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity (11) and adjacent to a bottom wall of the accommodating cavity (11), and the air outlet (112) is defined in the peripheral wall of the accommodating cavity (11) and adjacent to a top wall of the accommodating cavity (11).

Patentansprüche

1. Geschirrspüler (100), der Folgendes umfasst:

ein Gehäuse (1), das einen Aufnahmehohlraum (11) definiert, wobei eine Wand des Aufnahmehohlraums (11) einen Lufteinlass (111) und einen Luftauslass (112) definiert;

einen Wärmetauscher (2), der einen Heißlufteinlass (21), einen Heißluftauslass (22), einen Kühlluft-einlass (23) und einen Kühlluftauslass (24) aufweist, wobei der Heißlufteinlass (21) mit dem Luftauslass (112) in Verbindung steht, der Kühlluft-einlass (23) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht und der Heißluftauslass (22) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht; ein erstes Gebläse (3), das dazu konfiguriert ist,

Kühlluft zu dem Wärmetauscher (2) zu fördern; eine Heizung (4), die einen Einlass (43) und einen Auslass (44) aufweist, wobei der Einlass (43) der Heizung (4) mit dem Kühlluftauslass (24) in Verbindung steht und der Auslass (44) der Heizung mit dem Lufteinlass (111) in Verbindung steht; und

gekennzeichnet durch:

- ein zweites Gebläse (5), das dazu konfiguriert ist, Heißluft in dem Aufnahmehohlraum (11) zu dem Wärmetauscher (2) zu fördern, und das sich zwischen dem Luftauslass (112) und dem Heißlufteinlass (21) befindet, wobei der Heißluftauslass (22) mit dem Einlass (43) der Heizung (4) und der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht und der Kühlluftauslass (24) mit dem Einlass (43) der Heizung (4) und der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht.
2. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei ein Lufteinlass des ersten Gebläses (3) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht und ein Luftauslass des ersten Gebläses (3) über ein Lufteinlassrohr (6) mit dem Kühlluftauslass (24) verbunden ist; ein Lufteinlass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen ersten Durchgang (61) mit dem Luftauslass (112) verbunden ist und ein Luftauslass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen zweiten Durchgang (62) mit dem Heißlufteinlass (21) verbunden ist.
3. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei ein Lufteinlass des ersten Gebläses (3) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht und ein Luftauslass des ersten Gebläses (3) über ein Lufteinlassrohr (6) mit dem Kühlluftauslass (23) verbunden ist; der Kühlluftauslass (24) über einen dritten Durchgang (63) mit dem Einlass (43) der Heizung in Verbindung steht; der Heißluftauslass (22) über einen vierten Durchgang (64) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht; ein Lufteinlass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen ersten Durchgang (61) mit dem Luftauslass (112) verbunden ist und ein Luftauslass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen zweiten Durchgang (62) mit dem Heißlufteinlass (21) verbunden ist.
4. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei ein Lufteinlass des ersten Gebläses (3) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht und ein Luftauslass des ersten Gebläses (3) über ein Lufteinlassrohr (6) mit dem Kühlluftauslass (23) verbunden ist; ein Lufteinlass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen ersten Durchgang (61) mit dem Luftauslass (112) verbunden ist und ein Luftauslass des zweiten Gebläses (5) über einen zweiten Durchgang (62) mit dem Heißlufteinlass (21) verbunden ist.

wobei der Geschirrspüler (100) ferner einen fünften Durchgang (65), einen sechsten Durchgang (66), einen siebten Durchgang (67) und einen achten Durchgang (68) umfasst; ein erste Ende des fünften Durchgangs (65) mit dem Heißluftauslass (22) verbunden ist und ein zweites Ende des fünften Durchgangs (65) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht; ein erstes Ende des achten Durchgangs (68) mit dem fünften Durchgang (65) verbunden ist und ein zweites Ende des achten Durchgangs (68) mit dem Einlass (43) der Heizung verbunden ist; ein erstes Ende des sechsten Durchgangs (66) mit dem Kühlluftauslass (23) verbunden ist und ein zweites Ende des sechsten Durchgangs (66) mit der Außenumgebung in Verbindung steht; und ein erstes Ende des siebten Durchgangs (67) mit dem sechsten Durchgang (66) verbunden ist und ein zweites Ende des siebten Durchgangs (67) mit dem Einlass (43) der Heizung verbunden ist.

5. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei die Heizung (4) eine Röhre (41) und ein in der Röhre (41) bereitgestelltes Heizelement (42) umfasst; die Röhre (41) einen Einlass und einen Auslass aufweist, der Einlass der Röhre (41) mit dem Heißluftauslass (22) in Verbindung steht und der Auslass der Röhre (41) mit dem Lufteinlass (111) in Verbindung steht.
6. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei der Lufteinlass (111) über einen neunten Durchgang (69) mit dem Auslass (44) der Heizung (4) verbunden ist.
7. Geschirrspüler (100) nach Anspruch 1, wobei der Lufteinlass (111) in einer Umfangswand des Aufnahmehohlraums (11) und einer Bodenwand des Aufnahmehohlraums (11) benachbart definiert ist und der Luftauslass (112) in der Umfangswand des Aufnahmehohlraums (11) und einer Deckenwand des Aufnahmehohlraums (11) benachbart definiert ist.

Revendications

1. Lave-vaisselle (100), comportant :

un corps (1) définissant une cavité de réception (11), une paroi de la cavité de réception (11) définissant une entrée d'air (111) et une sortie d'air (112) ;
un échangeur de chaleur (2) ayant une entrée d'air chaud (21), une sortie d'air chaud (22), une entrée d'air de refroidissement (23) et une sortie d'air de refroidissement (24), l'entrée d'air chaud (21) étant en communication avec la sortie d'air (112), l'entrée d'air de refroidissement (23) étant en communication avec l'environnement exter-

ne, et la sortie d'air chaud (22) étant en communication avec l'environnement externe ;
 un premier ventilateur (3) configuré pour transporter de l'air de refroidissement jusqu'à l'échangeur de chaleur (2) ;
 un corps de chauffe (4) ayant une entrée (43) et une sortie (44), l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe (4) étant en communication avec la sortie d'air de refroidissement (24), et la sortie (44) du corps de chauffe étant en communication avec l'entrée d'air (111) ; et

caractérisé par :

- un deuxième ventilateur (5) configuré pour transporter de l'air chaud dans la cavité de réception (11) jusqu'à l'échangeur de chaleur (2), et situé entre la sortie d'air (112) et l'entrée d'air chaud (21),
 dans lequel la sortie d'air chaud (22) est en communication avec chacun parmi l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe (4) et l'environnement externe, et la sortie d'air de refroidissement (24) est en communication avec chacun parmi l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe (4) et l'environnement externe.
2. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel une entrée d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est en communication avec l'environnement externe, et une sortie d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air de refroidissement (24) au travers d'un tuyau d'entrée d'air (6) ; une entrée d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à la sortie d'air (112) au travers d'un premier passage (61), et une sortie d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air chaud (21) au travers d'un deuxième passage (62).
 3. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel une entrée d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est en communication avec l'environnement externe, et une sortie d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air de refroidissement (23) au travers d'un tuyau d'entrée d'air (6) ; la sortie d'air de refroidissement (24) est en communication avec l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe au travers d'un troisième passage (63) ; la sortie d'air chaud (22) est en communication avec l'environnement externe au travers d'un quatrième passage (64) ; une entrée d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à la sortie d'air (112) au travers d'un premier passage (61), et une sortie d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air chaud (21) au travers d'un deuxième passage (62).
 4. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel une entrée d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est en communication avec l'environnement externe, et

une sortie d'air du premier ventilateur (3) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air de refroidissement (23) au travers d'un tuyau d'entrée d'air (6) ; une entrée d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à la sortie d'air (112) au travers d'un premier passage (61), et une sortie d'air du deuxième ventilateur (5) est raccordée à l'entrée d'air chaud (21) au travers d'un deuxième passage (62) ;
 dans lequel le lave-vaisselle (100) comporte par ailleurs un cinquième passage (65), un sixième passage (66), un septième passage (67) et un huitième passage (68) ; une première extrémité du cinquième passage (65) est raccordée à la sortie d'air chaud (22), et une deuxième extrémité du cinquième passage (65) est en communication avec l'environnement externe ; une première extrémité du huitième passage (68) est raccordée au cinquième passage (65), et une deuxième extrémité du huitième passage (68) est raccordée à l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe ; une première extrémité du sixième passage (66) est raccordée à la sortie d'air de refroidissement (23), et une deuxième extrémité du sixième passage (66) est en communication avec l'environnement externe ; et une première extrémité du septième passage (67) est raccordée au sixième passage (66), et une deuxième extrémité du septième passage (67) est raccordée à l'entrée (43) du corps de chauffe.

5. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel le corps de chauffe (4) comporte un tube (41) et un élément chauffant (42) mis en œuvre dans le tube (41) ; le tube (41) a une entrée et une sortie, l'entrée du tube (41) est en communication avec la sortie d'air chaud (22), et la sortie du tube (41) est en communication avec l'entrée d'air (111).
6. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel l'entrée d'air (111) est raccordée à la sortie (44) du corps de chauffe (4) au travers d'un neuvième passage (69).
7. Lave-vaisselle (100) selon la revendication 1, dans lequel l'entrée d'air (111) est définie dans une paroi périphérique de la cavité de réception (11) et de manière adjacente par rapport à une paroi inférieure de la cavité de réception (11), et la sortie d'air (112) est définie dans la paroi périphérique de la cavité de réception (11) et de manière adjacente par rapport à une paroi supérieure de la cavité de réception (11).

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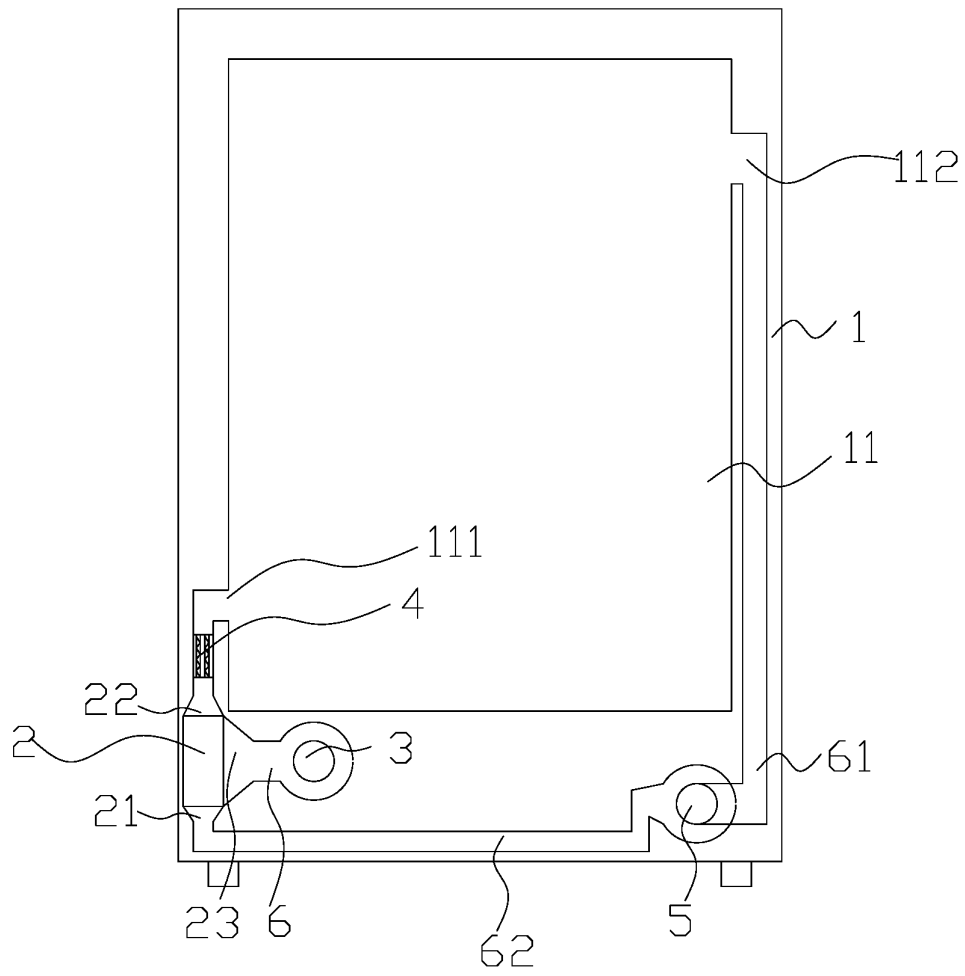


Fig. 1

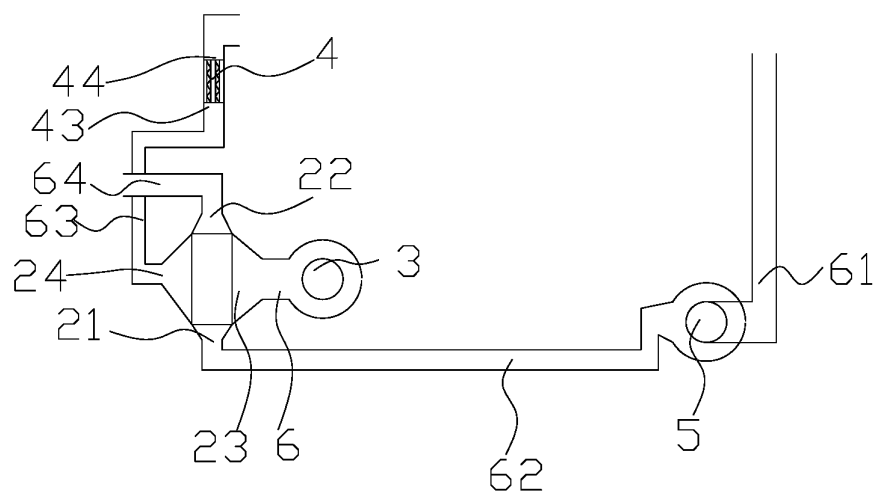


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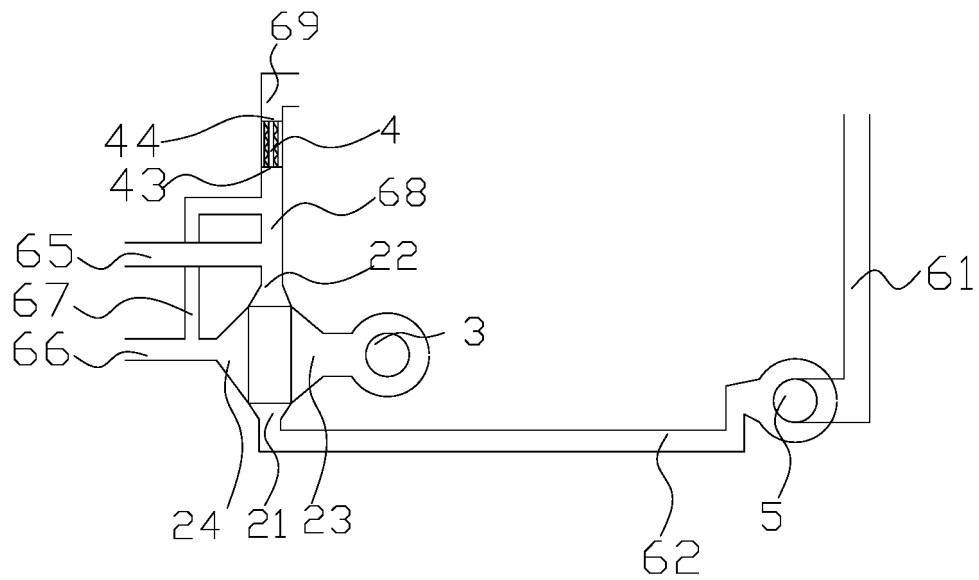


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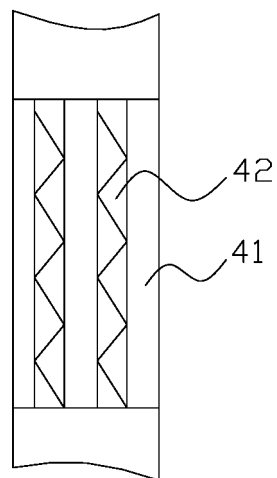


Fig. 4

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