

# Effective Utilization of Japanese Patent Classifications on Search and Examination

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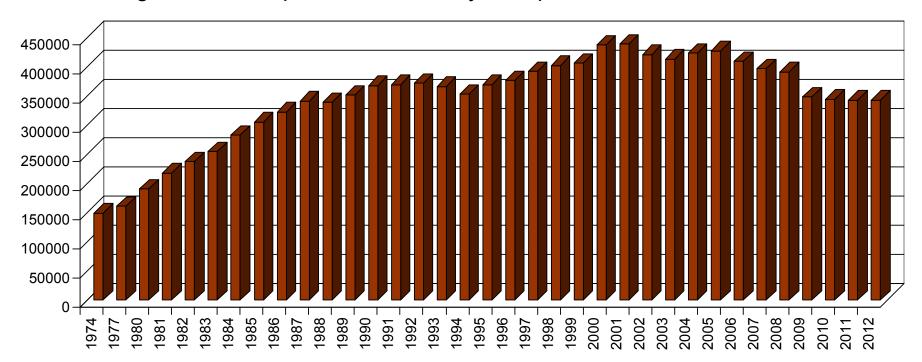
- FI/F-term
- Advantage of FI/F-term search
  - ➤ Identifying relevant FI/F-term
  - ➤ Searching with FI/F-term via IPDL
  - Search query with FI/F-term on EPOQUE
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#### Why FI & F-terms?



#### JP Patent Documents

- □ Annually about 350,000 patent applications in Japan (not including PCT applications)
- □ Totally about 20,000,000 documents
- □ About 75% of domestic applications have no patent families
- Huge amount of prior art docs. only in Japanese!



## Searching JP docs. with search indexes

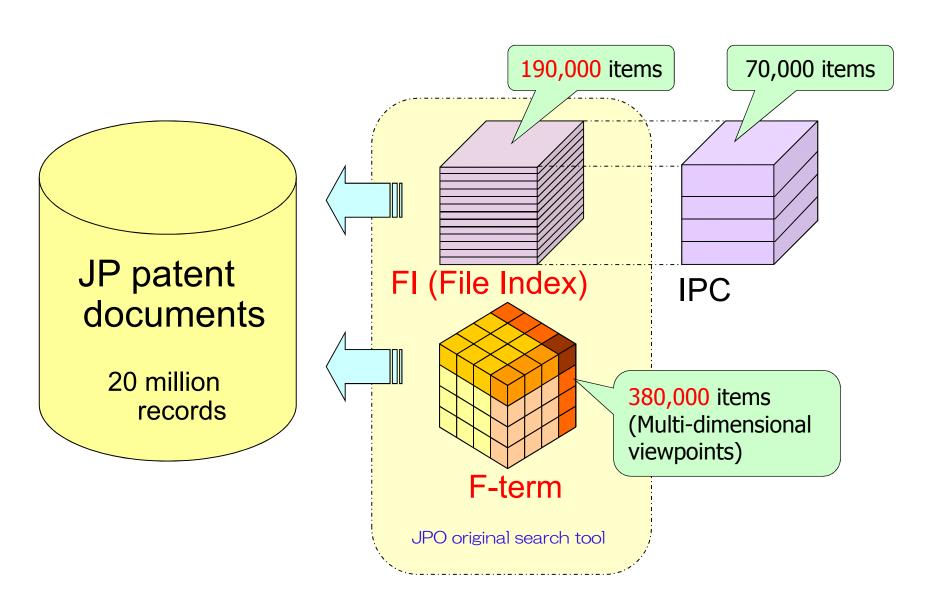


## Search index (IPC, FI, F-term)

	Search with search index	Text search
Pros	<ol> <li>No language barrier</li> <li>Low noise, low search omission</li> <li>Old JP docs covered</li> <li>Effective to search for structure and shape</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Simple</li> <li>The latest technical term</li> <li>Distinctive word (e.g., iPS cells)</li> <li>Applicant name, Inventor name</li> </ol>
Cons	<ol> <li>Understanding of classification system</li> <li>Not fully prepared for the latest technology</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Noise and search omission</li> <li>Unable for old JP docs.</li> <li>Unsuitable to search for structure and shape</li> <li>Thesaurus</li> </ol>

#### **Current status of FI/F-term**





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	IPC	FI	F-term
Total number of items	70,000	190,000	380,000
Coverage of patent documents	More than 100 countries	Japanese patent documents	Japanese patent documents
Coverage of technical fields	All	All	Approx. 70%



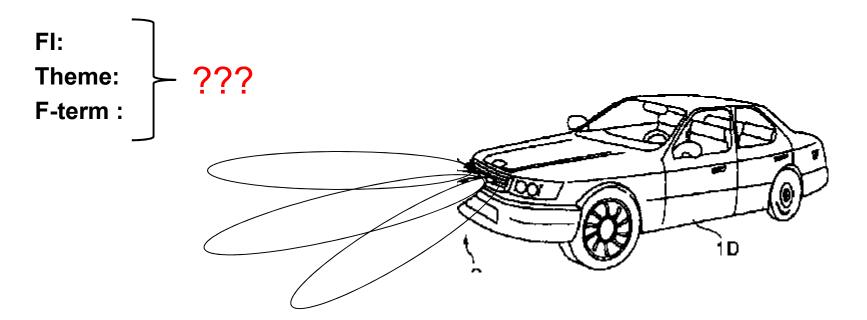
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[Example]

# Automobile collision avoidance radar with fixed antenna when curving

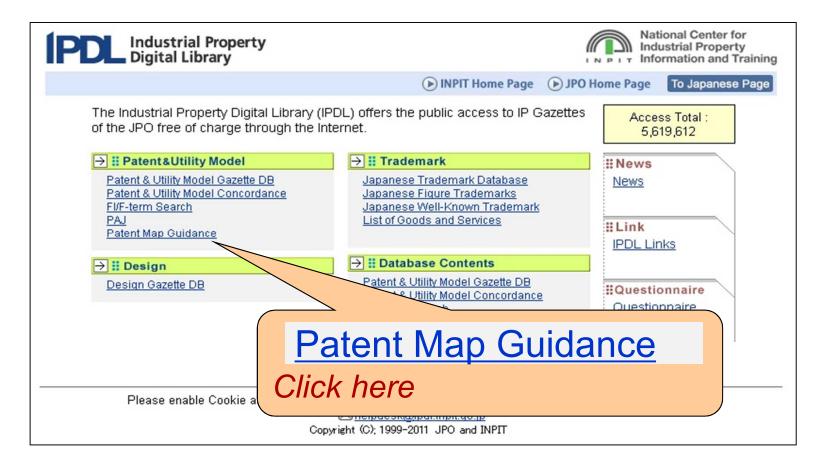
**IPC:** G01S 13/93 Radar or analogous systems, designed for anti-collision purposes





## IPDL (Industrial Property Digital Library)

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## Patent Map Guidance

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• Inquiry Click "FI" or	"F-term". Or input FI / F-term code to the que	
	Query	Search Object
• <u>FI</u>	Search	
	e.g.: A61K A61K6 C08L27/06 A61K7/46@A	A61K-//
• F-term	Search	● G01S13/93:
	e.g. : 2B 2B396	
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Indication T	ype  List Target The same hierarchy	9
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• IPC-FLCc	oncordance Search	
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	e.g.: A61K A61K6 A61K6/02 A01N25+B01	В





#### \* \* IPC-FI Concordance Search \* \*

If you want to search again, input IPC code to the query box and click Search button. Refer to HELP for a detailed input method.

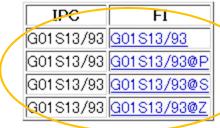
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#### Search Results 4

Click on a subgroup after you select Indication Type. Refer to HELP for the details of the Indication Type.

Indication Type 
List Target The same hierarchy

#### IPC-FI Search Results 4



G01S13/93 of IPC has 3 FI subdivisions







TOP BACK NEXT Former main group Following main group Main group selection Revision Information (Japanese only)

\* \* FI (List Indication) \* \*

This screen shows all FIs contained in the main group "G01S13/00".

Click on a subgroup after you select Indication Type. Refer to HELP for the details of the Indication Type.

Indication Type 
List Target The same hierarchy

- <u>13/89</u> ... for mapping or imaging [3]
- 13/90 ... using synthetic aperture
- 13/91 ... for traffic control (G01S 1
  - P For aircraft e.g. methods
  - S For boats e.g. navigating
  - Z Others
- 13/92 ... for velocity measurement [3]
- <u>13/93</u> ... for anti-collision purposes [3]
  - P For aircraft
  - S For boats
  - Z Others
- 13/94 .. for terrain-avoidance [3]
- 13/95 ... for meteorological use [3]

The relevant FI:

G01S13/93@Z

The relevant F-term theme code: 5J070

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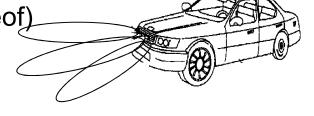
**Theme:** 5J070 (Radar systems and details thereof)

**F-term:** AD00 Antennas and polarized waves

∟AD13 . Fixed Antenna

BF00 Collision prevention

∟BF19 . Curved roadway



Subject of theme

Theme Code	Radar systems and details thereof											
	<b>(</b> AA <i>)</i>	AA00 RADAR SYSTEMS IN GENERAL				Cov	erag	e	•••	•••		
View-points												
View-points	AD	AD00 ANTENNAS AND POLARIZED WAVES						AD13 . Fixed Antenna				
		BF00 COLLISION PREVENTION	•••			•••			•••	BF19 . Curved roadway	•••	

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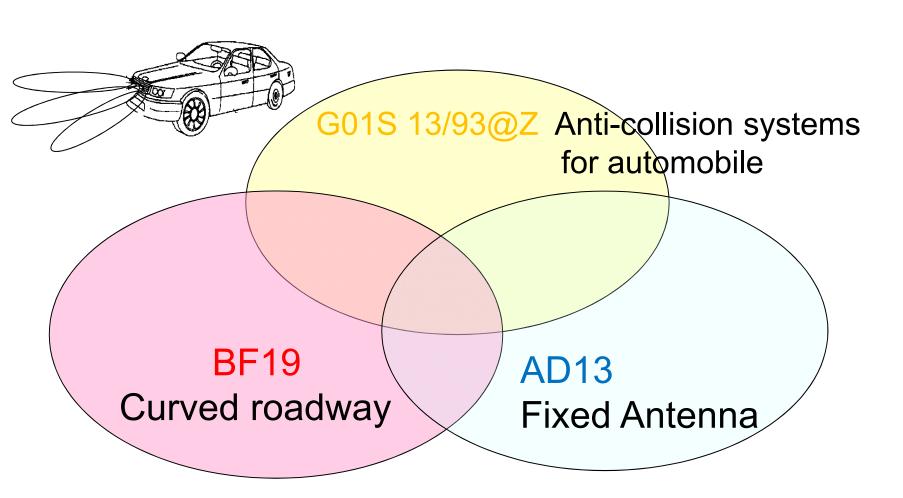
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**AD13** 

**BF19** 



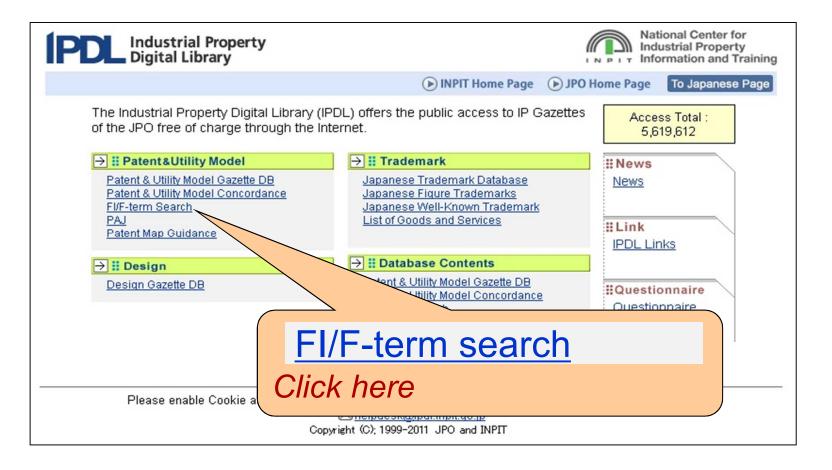


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#### FI/F-term search via IPDL



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🗹 Patent 📋 Examined utility model registration 🔲 Patent specification	Examined utility model specification
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(5J070	
Publication Date e.g. 20010101-20031231	
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FI/F-term/facet e.g. AA01+[A63F9/22-ZAA]	
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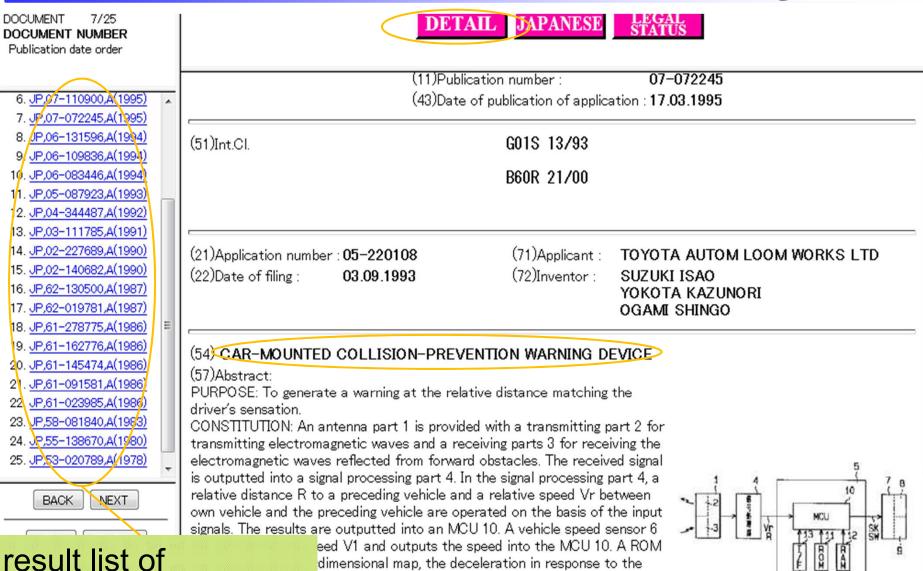
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#### FI/F-term search via IPDL

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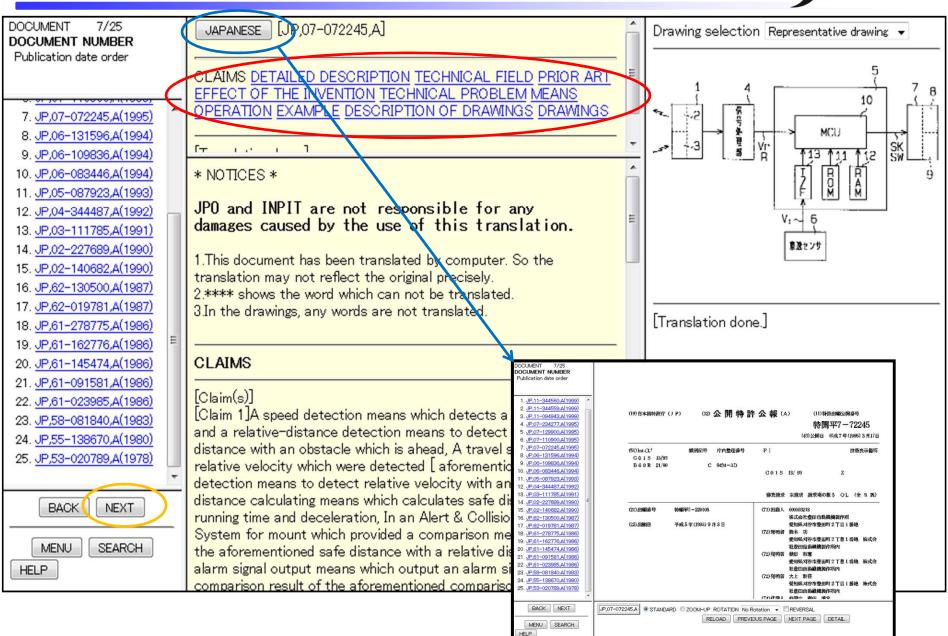




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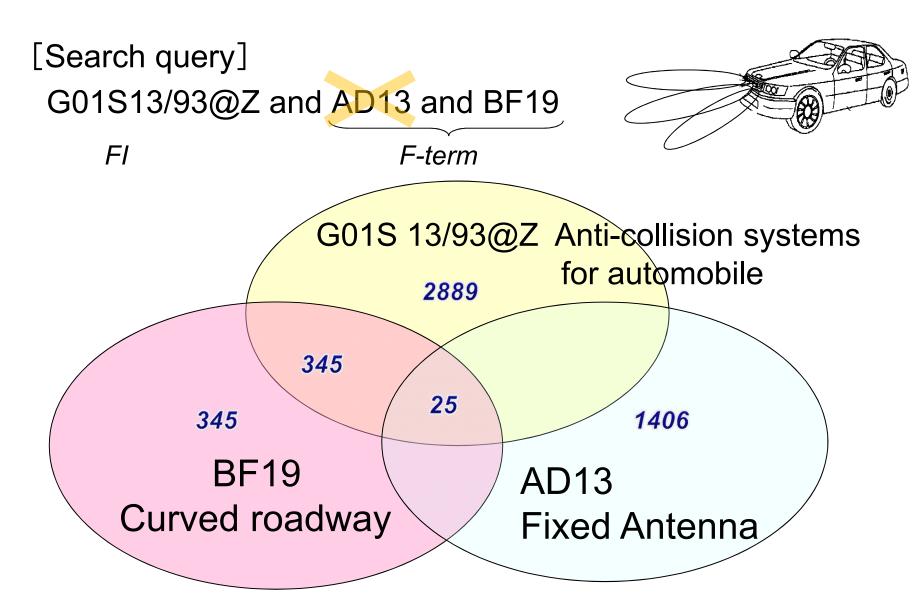
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#### Search Query with FI/F-term on EPOQUE



## FI on EPOQUE

Unlimited right hand truncation (e.g. /FI A47G9/10&A+) is not effective to cover lower concepts.

```
A47G9/10&A ... Pillows
A47G9/10&B ... Filled member
A47G9/10&C .... utilizing a natural resource
A47G9/10&D ..... Stones, magnets
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#### **Examples of Search Queries with Fl**

```
? /FI A47G9/10&A/LOW
? /FI A47G9/10&A:A47G9/10&D
? /FI A47G9/10&[A-D]
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#### Search Query with FI/F-term on EPOQUE



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G06K9/20&310C . Structures of optical systems G06K9/20&310D .. Filters G06K9/20&310E .. Optical fibres
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? /FI G06K9/20&310C/LOW
? /FI G06K9/20&310C:G06K9/20&310E
? /FI G06K9/20&310[C-E]
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#### Search Query with FI/F-term on EPOQUE



## F-term on EPOQUE

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Examples of Search Queries with F-term (/LOW does not work for F-term codes.)

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? /FT 3B115/BA04:3B115/BA07
? /FT 3B115/BA0[4-7]
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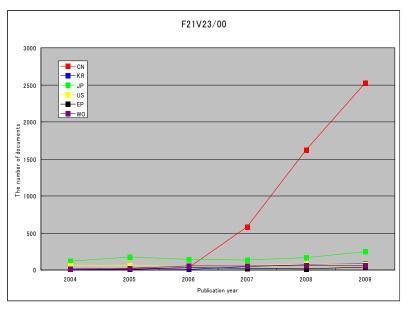


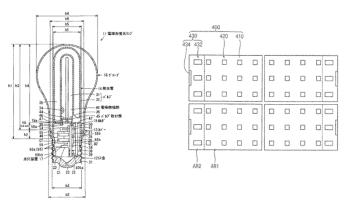
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## F21V23/00 (Lighting Devices)



#### FI(22)-CPC(10)



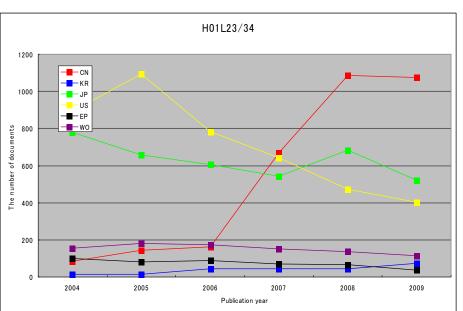


Device Layout Circuit Layout

		FI(4	4 <b>2)-</b> GI	PC(10)
		FI		CPC
F21V 23/00	<u>i</u>	Arrangement of electric circuit elements in or on lighting devices	F21V23/00	Arrangements of electric circuit elements in or on lighting devices (electric circuits per se H05B39/00)
F21V 23/00 100	ļ. 	Electric circuit elements for Idischarge lamps	F21V23/001	• { the elements being electrical wires or cables}
F21V 23/00 101	         	Arrangement of discharge lamp circuits I		··· { Arrangements of cables or conductors inside a lighting device, e.g. means for guiding along parts of the housing or in a pivoting arm}
F21V 23/00 102	   	Startup circuits, igniters I		· { the elements being electronics drivers or controllers for operating the light source, e.g. for a LED array}
F21V 23/00 103	¦	Power circuits, inverters	F21V23/004	••• { arranged on a substrate, e.g. a printed circuit
F21V 23/00 105	    -	Glow lamps	F21V23/005	•••• { the substrate is supporting also the light source}
F21V 23/00 107	j !	Close conductors	F21V23/006	···· { the substrate being distinct from the light source holder}
F21V 23/00 110	j.	Detection means	F21V23/007	· · { enclosed in a casing}
F21V 23/00 111	· · ·   	Disconnection or excess current detection means	F21V23/008	···· { the casing being outside the housing of the lighting device}
F21V 23/00 113	<u>i</u>	Photodetecting means	F21V23/009	I···· { the casing being inside the housing of the lighting device}
F21V 23/00 114		using photoconductors		
F21V 23/00 115	J	Human body detection means		
F21V 23/00 117		Temperature detection means		
F21V 23/00 120	i.	Power supply compartments, power supplies		
F21V 23/00 130	ļ.	Noise prevention members, grounding, shields		
F21V 23/00 140	ļ. !	Control devices [CPU], dimming devices		
F21V 23/00 150		Arrangement of circuit boards or power distribution blocks [assembly of elements]		
F21V 23/00 160	.   	Power supply elements [wirings, codes, electric pathes]		
F21V 23/00 170	ŀ	Terminal boards		
F21V 23/00 180	ļ. 	Magnets for controlling light emission of lamps		
F21V 23/00 190	-  -	having elements on lamp base parts		
F21V 23/00 200	j.     	characterised by layout of elements [e.g, to achieve size reduction]		

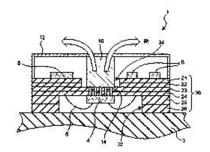
## H01L23/34 (Semiconductor Arrangements)





#### **FI(7)-CPC(2)**

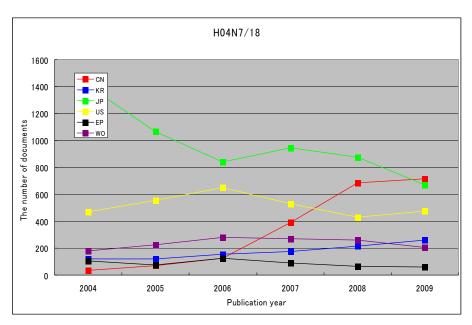
	FI	CPC
H01L 23/34	Cooling arrangements; Heating arrangements; Ventilating arrangements [2]	H01L23/34 • Arrangements for cooling, heating, ventilating or temperature compensation; { Temperature sensing arrangements (thermal treatmen
H01L 23/34 A	Semiconductor elements, vessels, land leads	H01L23/345 ··· { Arrangements for heating ( Ithermal treatment apparatus
H01L 23/34 B	Resin seal-type	
H01L 23/34 C	Pressure-type	
H01L 23/34 D		
H01L 23/34 E	thermostatic oven	
H01L 23/34 Z	Others	

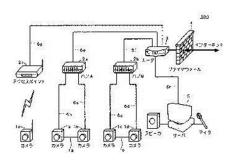


Semiconductor with High Radiation Performance

## H04N7/18 (Monitoring Systems)







Security Camera System

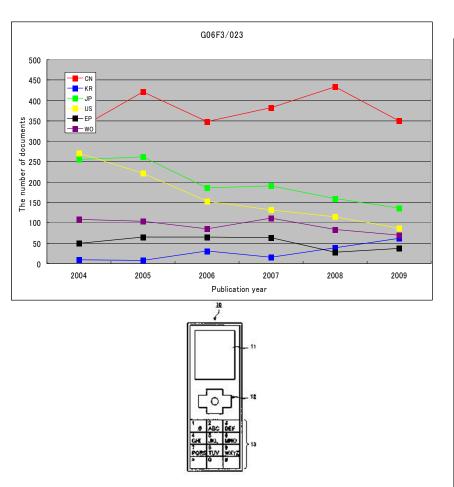
#### FI(23)-CPC(6)

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	FI		CPC
H04N 7/18   	Closed-circuit television systems, i.e. systems in which the signal is not broadcast	H04N7/18	Closed circuit television systems, i.e. systems inwhich the signal is not broadcast(( television transmission of measuredquantities G01D5/39; intruder alarm or detection by television surveillanceG08B13/196,G08B15/00B)
H04N 7/18 A	Transmission system of signal	H04N7/181	•• {for receiving images from a plurality ofremote sources}
H04N 7/18 B	Systems with a wide variety of inspections	H04N7/183	•• {for receiving images from a single   remotesource}
H04N 7/18 C	Systems with a wide variety of measurements	H04N7/185	from a mobile camera, e.g. for remotecontrol
H04N 7/18 D	Monitoring systems	H04N7/186	Video door telephones
H04N 7/18 H	• Monitoring of visitors [e.g.  television intercoms]		Capturing isolated or intermittent limagestriggered by the occurrence of a predetermined event, e.g.an object reaching a predetermined position( signal generation from motion picturefilms H04N5/253)}
H04N 7/18 J	<ul> <li>Monitoring of rear direction of lyehicles; monitoring of peripheral dead zones of yehicles</li> </ul>		
H04N 7/18 E	Television cameras for monitoring and the control thereof [television cameras for monitoring, H04N5/225]		
H04N 7/18 F	Switching controls for plural television cameras		
H04N 7/18 G	Automatic tracking of bodies		
H04N 7/18 K	Disassembly and processing of images		
H04N 7/18 W	Making images binary		
H04N 7/18 L	X-ray television systems		
H04N 7/18 M	Endoscope systems		
H04N 7/18 N	Infrared image pickups systems		
H04N 7/18 Q	Ultrasonic image pickup systems		
H04N 7/18 P	Television games		
H04N 7/18 R	Learning and practice machines		
H04N 7/18 S	Pattern analysis and pattern production systems		
H04N 7/18 T	Arrival order determination systems		
H04N 7/18 U	Image display and recording systems		
H04N 7/18 V	<ul> <li>Systems for composite displays of plural images</li> </ul>		
H04N 7/18 Z	Others		

# G06F3/023 (Coding Inputs from Keyboards)







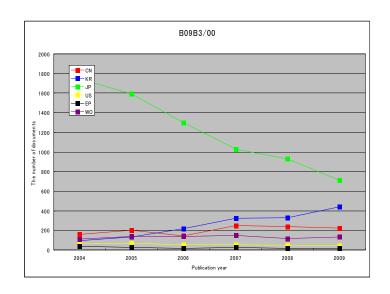
Character Encoding for Mobile Phones

		FI		CPC
G06F 3/023	· · · ·	Arrangements for converting discrete items of information into a coded form, e.g. arrangements for interpreting keyboard generated codes as alphanumeric codes, operand codes or instruction codes (coding in connection with keyboards or like devices in general H03M 11/00) [8]	G06F3/023	· · · Arrangements for converting discrete items of information into a coded form, e.g. arrangements for interpreting keyboard generated codes as alphanumeric codes, operand codes or instruction codes ( coding in connection with keyboards or like devices in general H03M11/00 )
G06F 3/023 310		Coded keyboards	G06F3/0231	···· { Cordless keyboards }
G06F 3/023 310 A	]   	Coding in general	G06F3/0232	···· { Manual direct entries, e.g. key to main memory }
G06F 3/023 310 B	İ	Using analog	G06F3/0233	···· { Character input methods }
G06F 3/023 310 C	   	Using commands	G06F3/0234	····· { using switches operable in different directions }
G06F 3/023 310 D	 	By scanning	G06F3/0235	····· { using chord techniques ( G06F3/0234 takes precedence ) }
G06F 3/023 310 E		Scanning using display signals	G06F3/0236	····· { using selection techniques to select from displayed items }
G06F 3/023 310 F		Using structures	G06F3/0237	····· { using prediction or retrieval techniques }
G06F 3/023 310 G	i I	Generating plurality of characters	G06F3/0238	Programmable keyboards ( key guide holders G06F3/0224 ) }
G06F 3/023 310 H	j	Can be registered		
G06F 3/023 310 J	ļ	Pressing time		
G06F 3/023 310 K	i	Key combinations		
G06F 3/023 310 L	İ	Display selection inputs		
G06F 3/023 310 Z	i	Others		
G06F 3/023 320		Coding by switching input modes		
G06F 3/023 320 A	į	Shift		
G06F 3/023 320 B	i	Shift display		
G06F 3/023 320 C	ļ	· Indicators on top of keys		
G06F 3/023 320 D	j	Keys mounted on indicators		
G06F 3/023 320 Z		Others		
G06F 3/023 330		Inputting plurality of items		
G06F 3/023 330 A		Selecting types		
G06F 3/023 330 B	!	Replacing sheets		
G06F 3/023 330 C		Book types		
G06F 3/023 330 D		Slide types		
G06F 3/023 330 E	<u>i                                     </u>	Rolling types		
G06F 3/023 330 F		Page sheet types		
G06F 3/023 330 Z	i	Others		
G06F 3/023 340		Coding other than keyboards		
G06F 3/023 340 A		Japanese typewriters		
G06F 3/023 340 B	i	Setting		
G06F 3/023 340 Z		Others		

## B09B3/00 (Biochemical Treatment of Waste)



#### FI(60)-CPC(12)



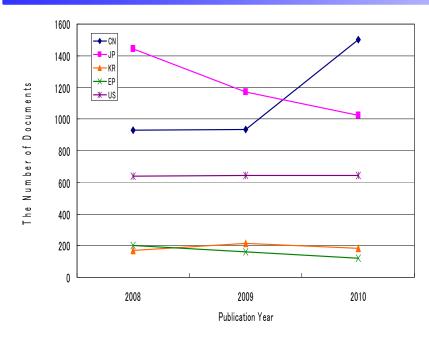
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**Biochemical Treatment of Waste** 

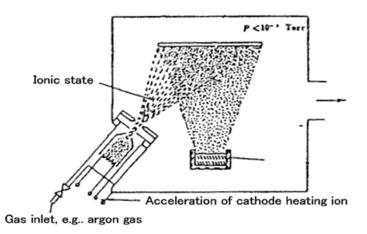
		, ,	<b>,</b> ,
	FI FI		CPC
B09B 3/00	Destroying solid waste or transforming solid waste into something useful or harmless [3]	B09B 3/00	Destroying solid waste or transforming solid waste (or contaminated solids) into something useful or harmless
B09B 3/00 A	Biochemical treatment of waste   I   I   I	B09B3/0008	• { comprising an adsorption step (separating processes involving the treatment of liquids with solid sorbents B01D15/00; separation of gases or vapors by adsorption B01D53/02)}
B09B 3/00 C	Anaerobiotic treatment	B09B3/0016	• { comprising an extraction step (separation by solvent extraction B01D11/00)}
B09B 3/00 D	I I · Treatment of kitchen refuse, kitchen waste, in   particular   I	B09B3/0025	(Agglomeration, binding or encapsulation of solid waste (solidification of sludge C02F11/008; waste materials as compounding ingredients in polymers C08K11/005)}
B09B 3/00 Z	Others	B09B3/0033	· · {using an organic binder or matrix}
B09B 3/00 301	Treatment by solidifying, granulating (involving volume decrease)	B09B3/0041	··· {using a mineral binder or matrix, e.g. to obtain a soil like material (C04B takes precedence); Apparatus therefor}
B09B 3/00 301 A	Treatment of refuse (kitchen refuse, kitchen waste)	B09B3/005	···· (involving a melting step)
B09B 3/00 301 B	Characterized by devices	B09B3/0058	• (Removing gases or liquids enclosed in discarded articles, e.g. aerosol cans, cooling systems of refrigerators (arrangements for charging or discharging refrigerant from refrigerators F25B45/00); Removing gases from discarded plastic foam products)
B09B 3/00 301 C	Characterized by treating agents	B09B3/0066	• {Disposal of asbestos}
B09B 3/00 301 E	Waste earth and sand (stone)	B09B3/0005	• (Disposal of medical waste (casings for used articles, e.g. sharps A61B19/0288; sterilisation of refuse A61L11/00; disposal of used needles or syringes A61M5/3205; disintegrating medical waste B02C19/12M)}
B09B 3/00 301 F	Residuum (metal)	B09B3/0083	• { by means of a thermal treatment, e.g. evaporation (treatment of waste by pyrolysis or by combustion F23G5/00)}
B09B 3/00 301 G	Waste tires, rubber	B09B3/0091	· · { Steam treatment}

ŀ	Chemical treatment
i_	Slag
<u> </u>	• from iron treatment
I L	· from nonferrous treatment
Ī	Ash, dust
	Waste materials
ĺ	Metal, inorganic (← asbestos)
	Waste catalysts (also involving ion exchange resin, adsorbents)
Ī	Liquefaction
	Waste tires, rubber
Ĺ	Waste plastic (macromolecular compounds)
ļ	Others (organic matters) (PCB R A62D3/)

# C23C 14/00-14/58(4K029:Physical vapor deposition) JPO



#### Ion beam mixing apparatus



		FI				CPC
		Coating by vacuum evaporation, by				Coating by vacuum evaporation, be sputtering or by ion implantation of
023014/00		sputtering or by ion implantation of the coating forming material (discharge tubes with provision for introducing objects or material to		G23G14/00		the coating forming material (discharge tubes with provision fo
		be exposed to the discharge H01J 37/00) [4]				introducing objects or material to be exposed to the discharge H01J37/00)
C23C14/00@A	-	Making foils, powders		C23C14/0005	-	[Separation of the coating from the substrate]
C23C14/00@B	-	Cleaning of devices, prevention of contamination (including cleaning, contamination preventing methods)		C23C14/001	-	[Coating on a liquid substrate]
023C14/00@C	-	Vacuum treatment		C23C14/0015	-	[ characterized by the colour of the layer]
C23C14/00@D	·	Magnetic materials		C23C14/0021	· ·	[Reactive sputtering or [Activation or excitation of react
023C14/00@Z	·	Other PVD		C23C14/0026	• • •	gases outside the coating chambe
23C14/24	<u>~~~</u>	Vacuum evaporation [4]	~~~~	C23C14/24	~~~	Vacuum evaporation
023C14/24@A		Evaporation source container unit (material quality, structure, inner coating)		C23C14/243		[Crucibles for source material (C23C14/28, C23C14/30 take precedence)]
C23C14/24@B		Heating, cooling of evaporation source container		C23C14/246		[Replenishment of source material
023C14/24@C		Number of evaporation source containers, movement of position				
023C14/24@D		Supply, replenishment of evaporation source materials				
C23C14/24@E		Evaporation source materials per				
023C14/24@F		Evaporation by electric arc discharge, arc discharge				
023C14/24@G	1	Vacuum evaporation (shutter, Substrate units for formation of				
023C14/24@H		vacuum evaporation coat Retention and movement of substrates for formation of vacuum				
023014/24@K	<del> </del>	evaporation coat  Heating and cooling of substrates for formation of vacuum				
	1	evaporation coat Heating and cooling in vacuum				
023C14/24@L	1	evaporation (excluding heating, cooling of substrates) Air supply and discharge in vacuum				
		evaporation, gas composition Vacuum evaporation (with				
023C14/24@N		designated film Vacuum evaporation (magnetism.				
D23C14/24@P		magnetism, magnetism, Vacuum evaporation				
C23C14/24@Q		Vacuum evaporation (superconducting film)				
023C14/24@R		(superconducting film) Vacuum evaporation method (with limited values)				
023C14/24@S		Vacuum evaporation method (with no limited values)				
C23C14/24@T	1	Vacuum evaporation devices not				
023C14/24@U		classified above Control, detection of vacuum				
C23C14/24@V	1	evaporation Continuous treatment of vacuum				
C23C14/24@V		evaporation Others				
023014/34	<del>~~~</del>	Sputtering [4]	~~~~		~~~~	Sputtering
023C14/34@A		Material quality of target (including		C23C14/3407		Cathode assembly for sputtering
C23C14/34@B		Shape of target		C23C14/3414		apparatus, e.g. Target] [Metallurgical or chemical aspect of target preparation, e.g. casting
023C14/34@C	1	Installation of target (including peripherals, multiple targets)		G23G14/3421		powder metallurgy] [ using heated targets]
C23C14/34@D		Facing target type sputtering		C23C14/3428		using liquid targets  Applying energy to the substrat
023014/34@E		Coaxial sputtering		C23C14/3435		during sputtering
023C14/34@F 023C14/34@G		Sputter guns Shutters		C23C14/3442 C23C14/345		[ using an ion beam] [ using substrate bias]
C23C14/34@H		Substrate units for formation of sputtering coat		C23C14/3457		[using other particles than noble gas ions (C23C14/0036, C23C14/46 take precedence)]
C23C14/34@J		Retention and movement of substrates for formation of		C23C14/3464		[using more than one target (C23C14/56 takes precedence)]
023C14/34@K		sputtering coat Heating and cooling of substrates for formation of sputtering coat		C23C14/3471		[Introduction of auxiliary energy into the plasma]
C23C14/34@L		Heating and cooling in sputtering (excluding heating, cooling of		C23C14/3478		[using electrons, e.g. triode sputtering]
023G14/34@M		substrates) Air supply and discharge in		C23C14/3485		[ using pulsed power to the targe
023C14/34@N		sputtering, gas composition Sputtering (with designated film		C23C14/3492		Variation of parameters during
C23C14/34@P						sputtering
C23C14/34@Q		Sputtering (magnetism, magnet) Sputtering (superconducting film) Sputtering method (with limited				
023C14/34@R		values) Sputtering method (with no limited				
023C14/34@S		values)				
023C14/34@T		Sputtering devices not classified above				
023C14/34@U 023C14/34@V		Control, detection of sputtering Continuous treatment of sputtering Others				
023C14/34@Z	1	Others				
023014/58	<u>~~~</u>	After treatment [4] Heat treatment (C takes		C23C14/58		After treatment
C23C14/58@A		precedence) Accompanied by formation of new		C23C14/5806	_	[ Thermal treatment]
C23C14/58@B		coating on PVD coating		C23C14/5813		[ using lasers]
023C14/58@C 023C14/58@D	1::	Energy beam irradiation After treatment of magnetic		C23C14/582 C23C14/5826		[ using electron bombardment] [ Plasma treatment]
023C14/58@Z		After treatment of magnetic Other after treatment		C23C14/5833 C23C14/584	-:-	[ Plasma treatment] [ Ion beam bombardment] [ Non-reactive treatment]
		1		C23C14/584 C23C14/5846	- ::	[ Non-reactive treatment] [ Reactive treatment]
		1		C23C14/5853 C23C14/586		[ Nitriding]
		1		C23C14/5866		[ Treatment with sulfur, selenium
				C23C14/5873	1	[ Removal of material]
						F
		1		C23C14/588 C23C14/5886		or tellurium] [ Removal of material] [ by mechanical treatment] [ Mechanical treatment (involving

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