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(54) **PROJECTOR-TYPE DISPLAY APPARATUS**

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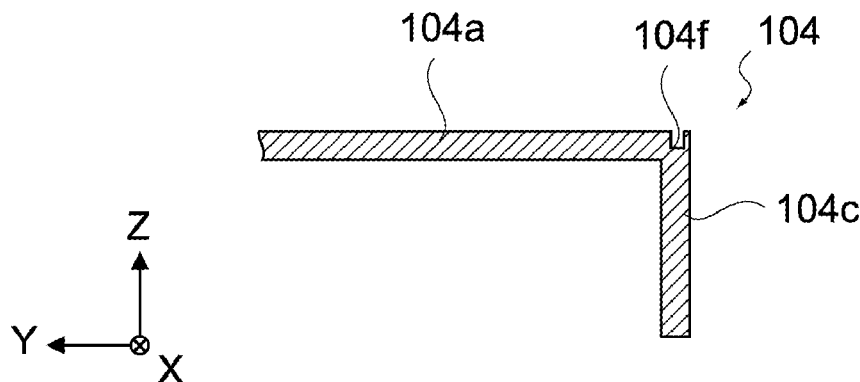
[Object] To provide a projector-type display apparatus with ease of maintenance.

[Solving Means] According to the present technology, a projector-type display apparatus includes an optical-system-for-projecting, a housing, a fan, an air-filter, and a filter-cover. The housing includes an air-inlet-port, and houses the optical-system-for-projecting. The fan is housed in the housing, air from the air-inlet-port flowing into the fan. The air-filter is attachable to and detachable from the housing, and covers the air-inlet-port. The filter-cover is attachable to and detachable from the air-filter.

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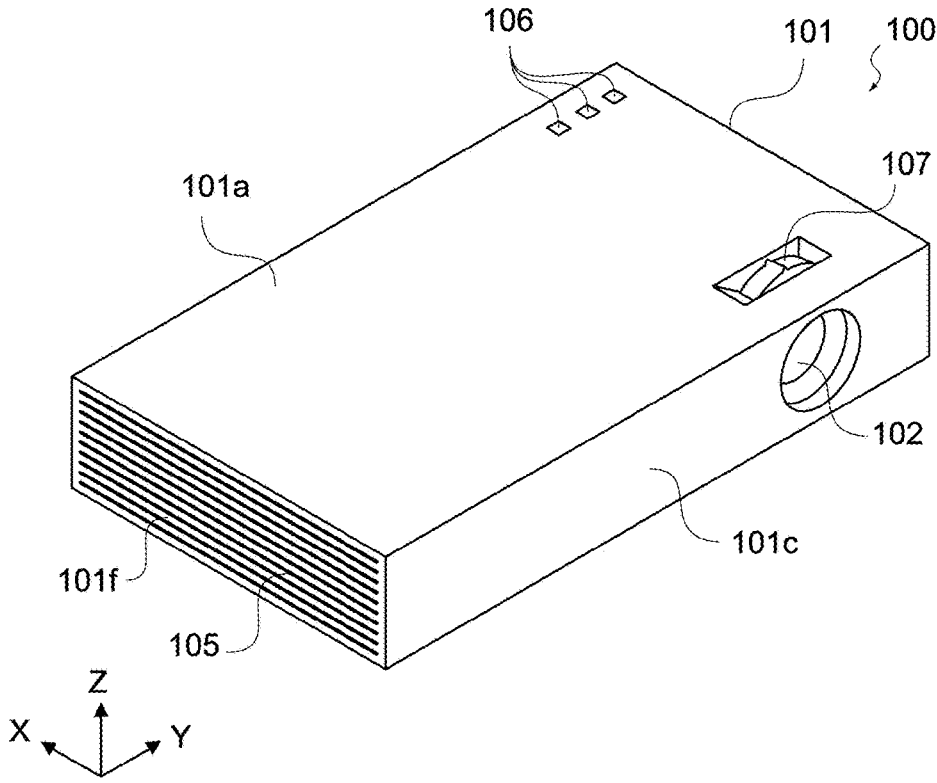


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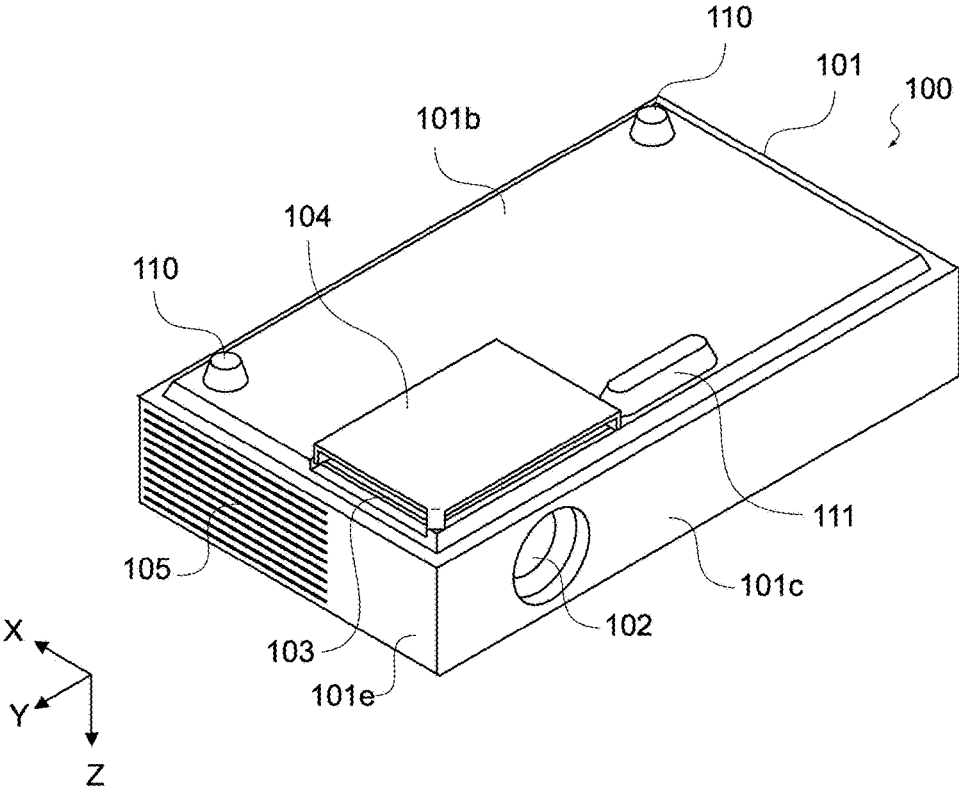


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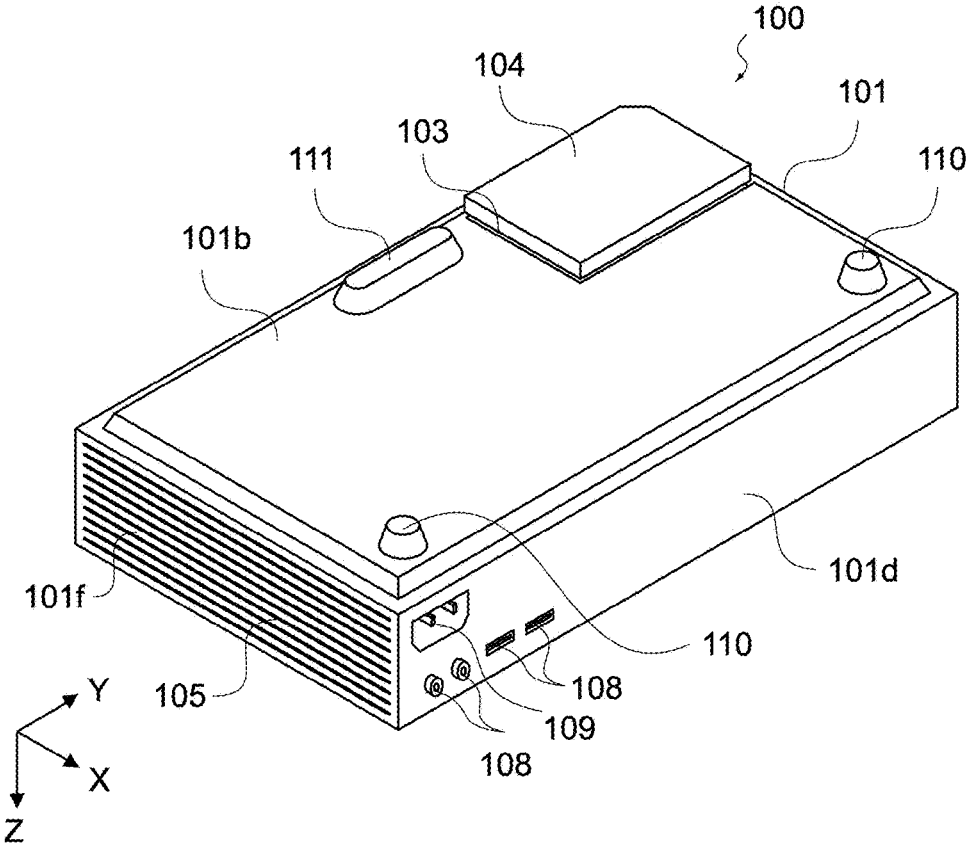


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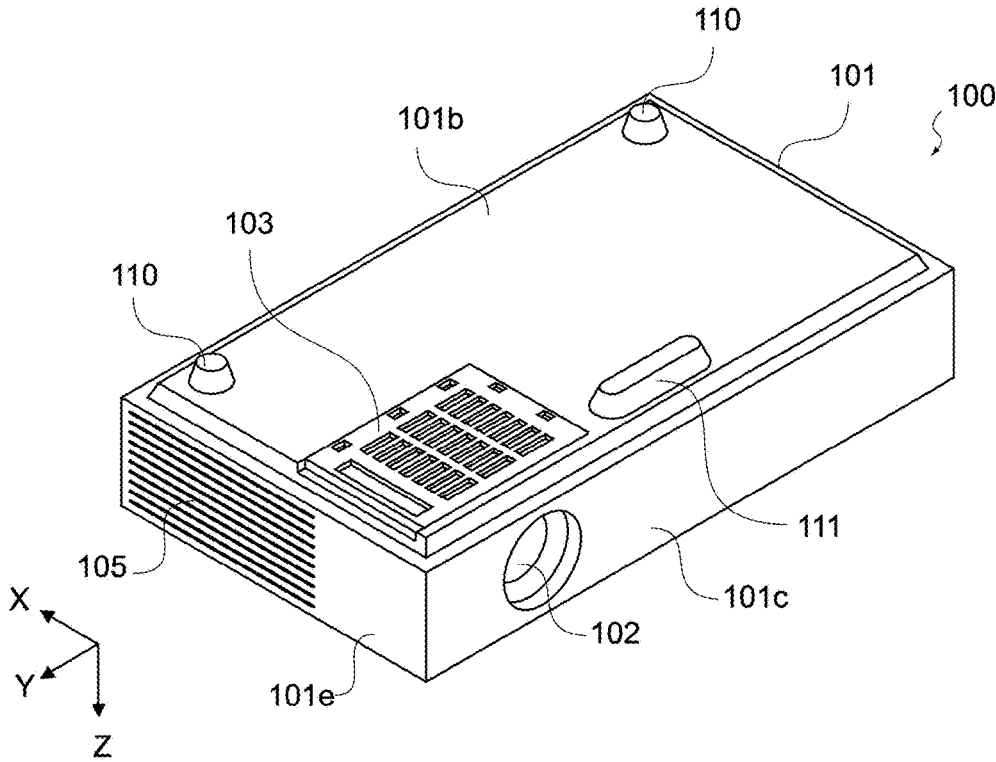


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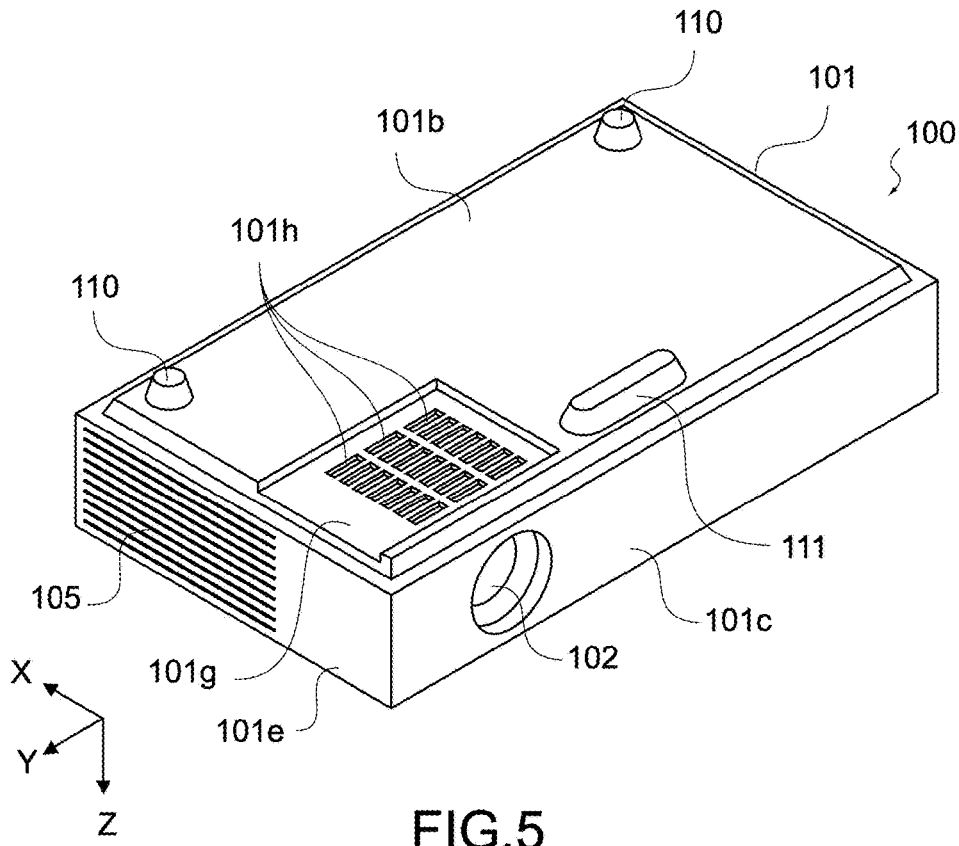


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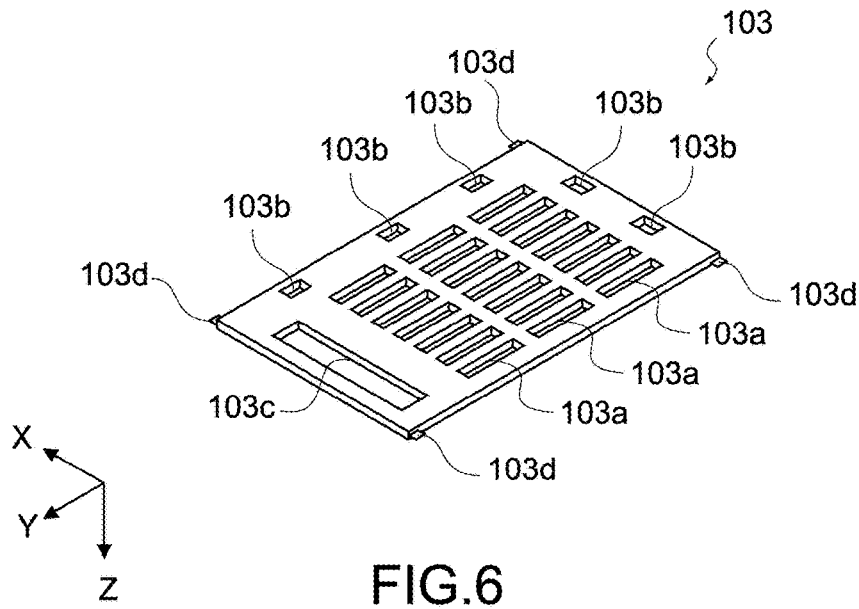


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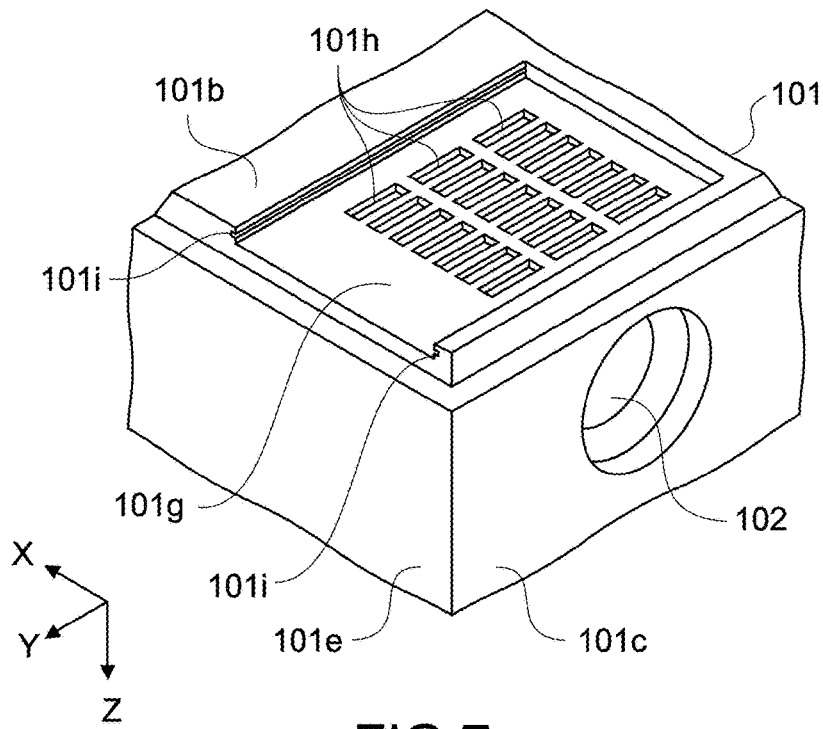


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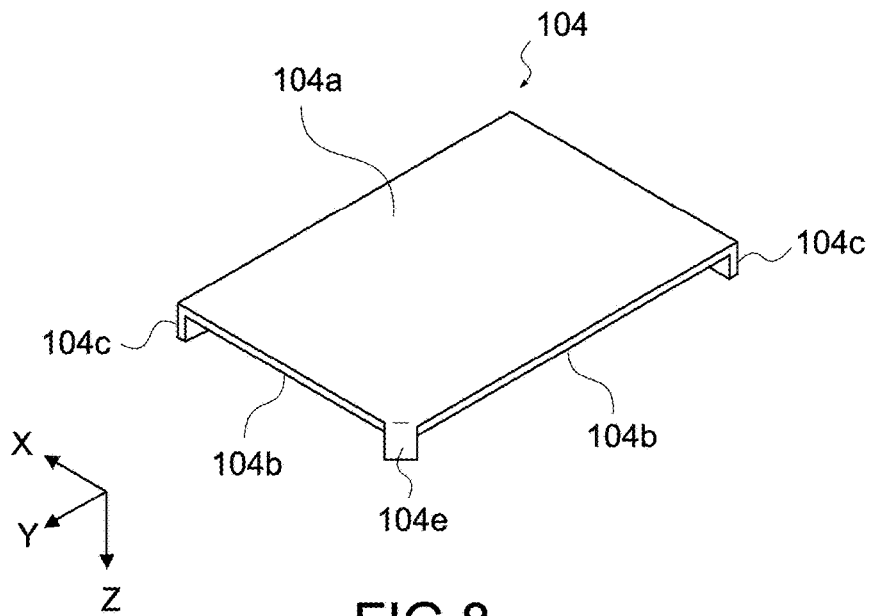


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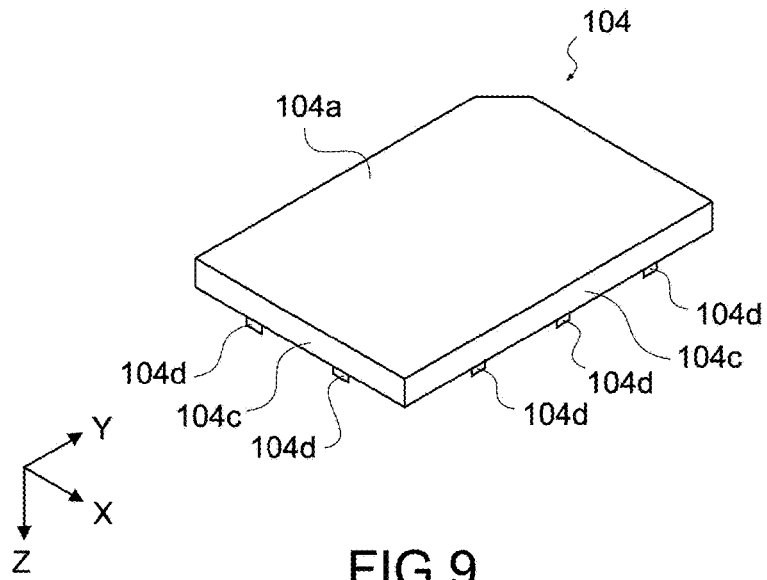


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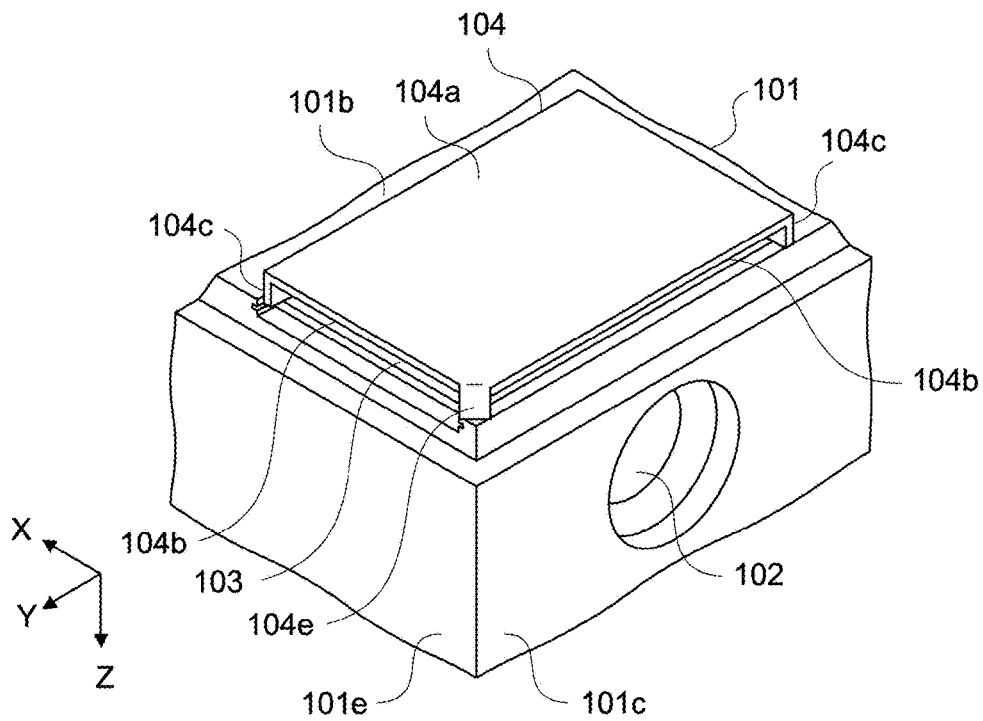
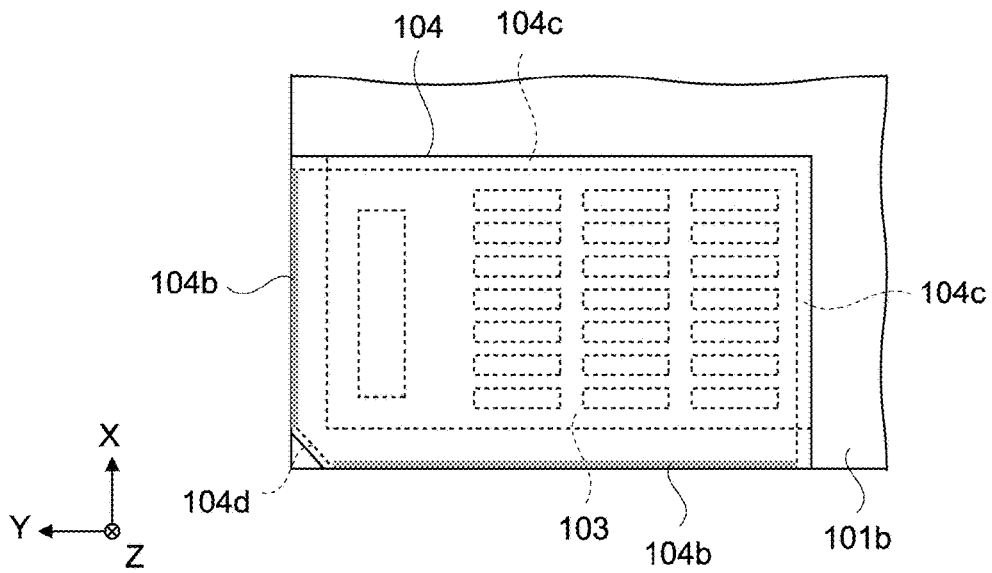
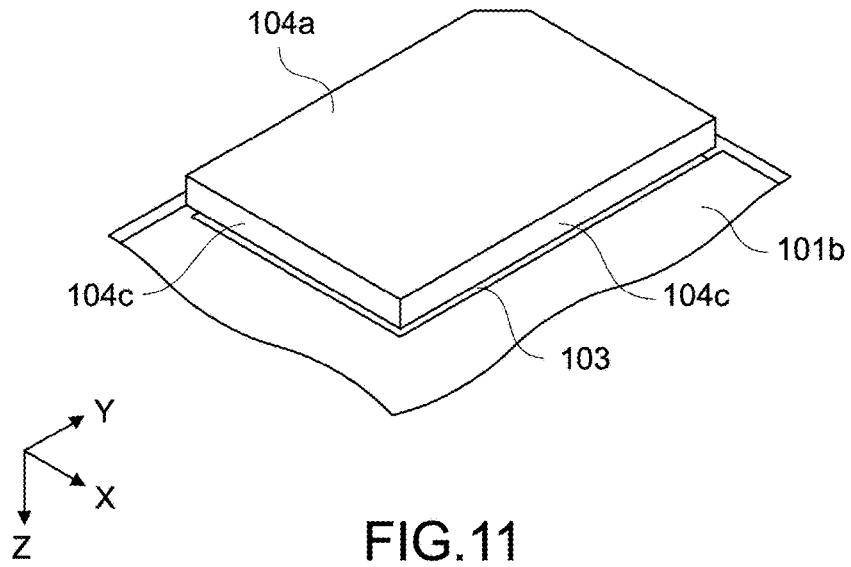


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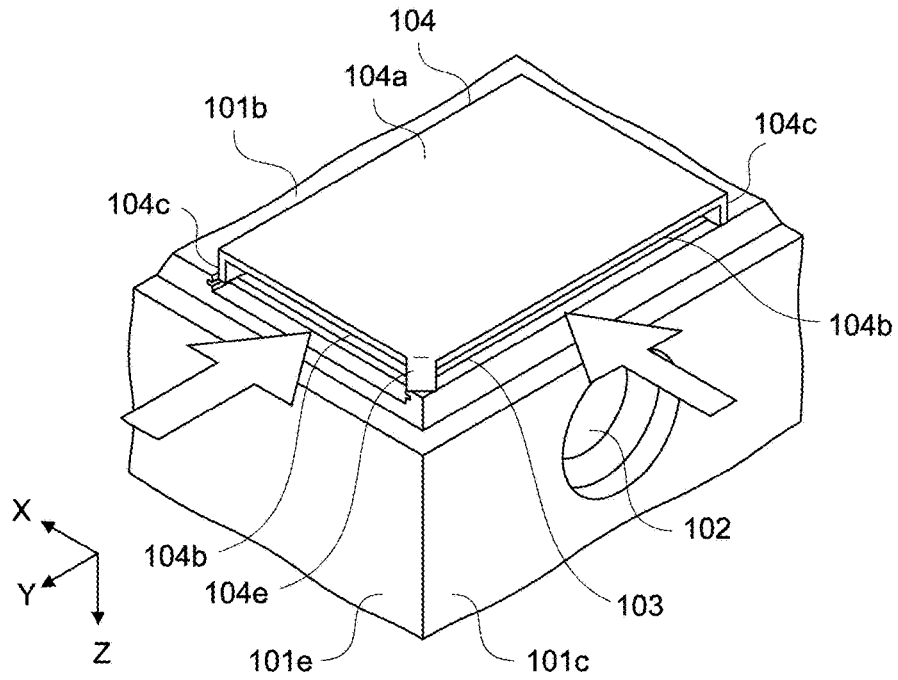


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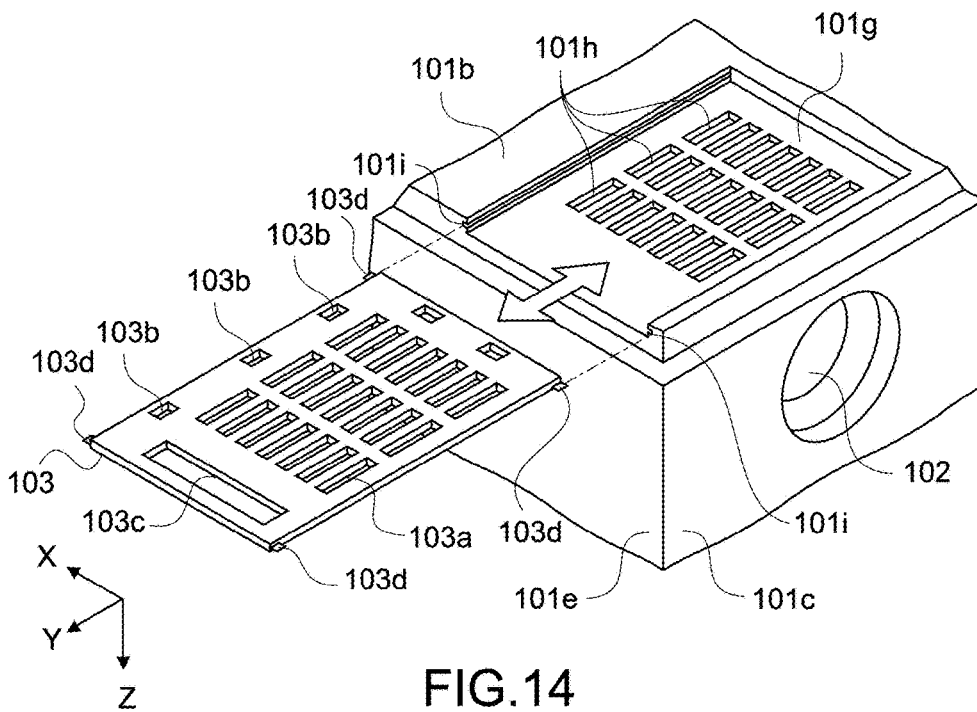


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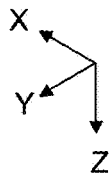
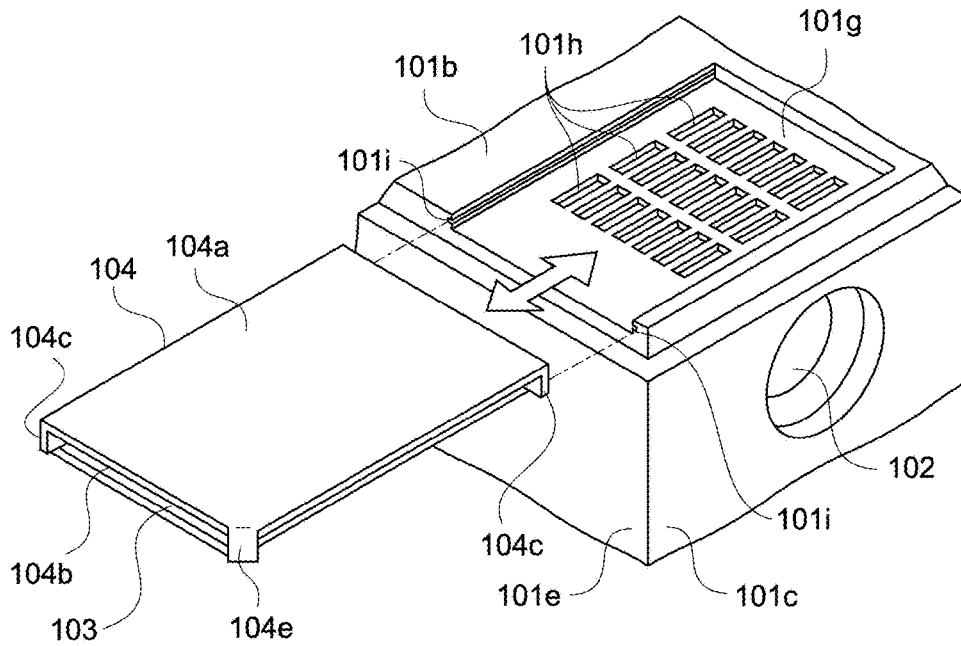


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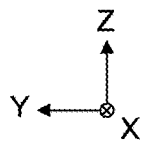
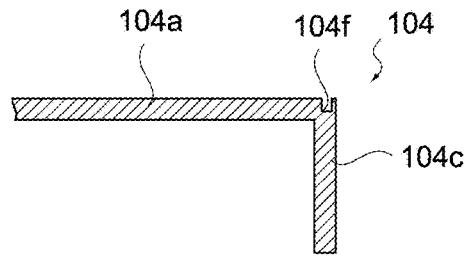
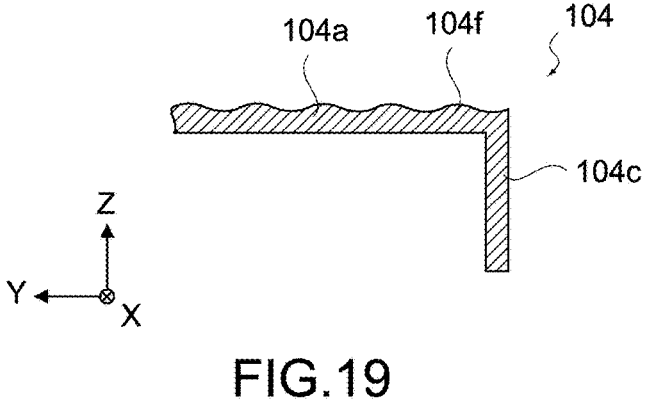
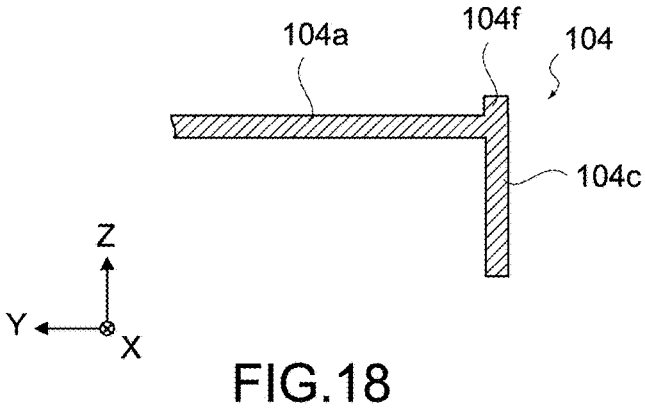
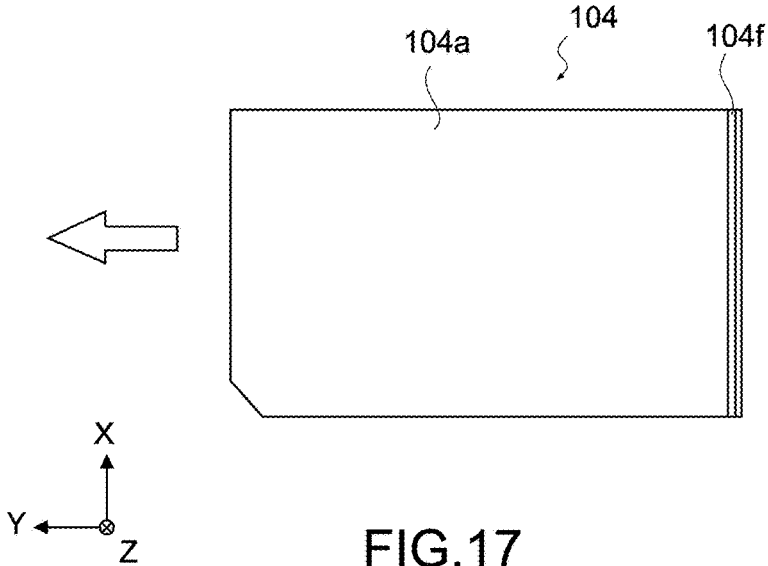


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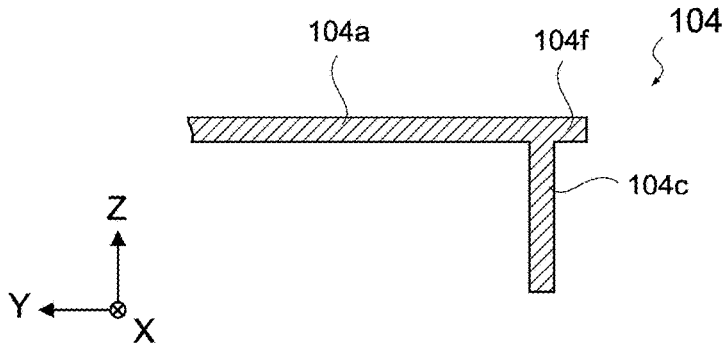


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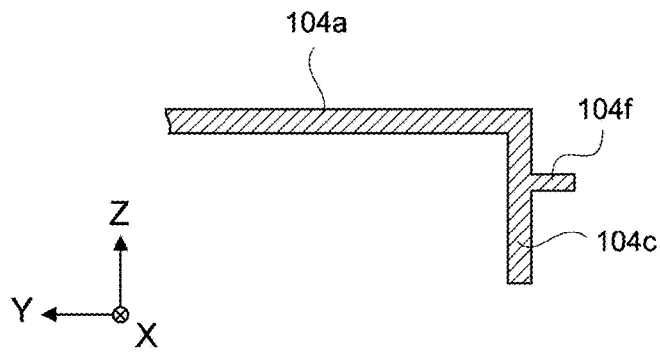


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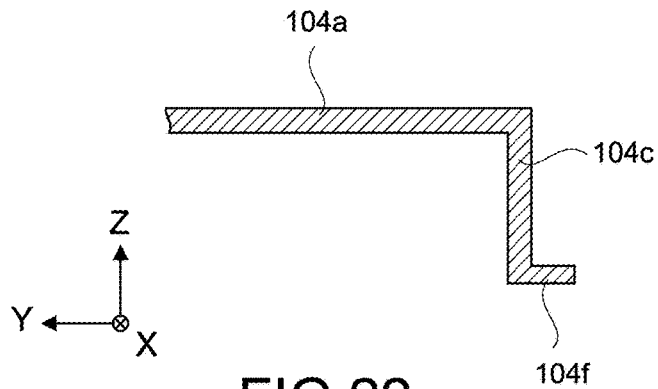


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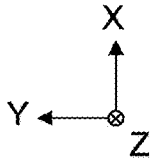
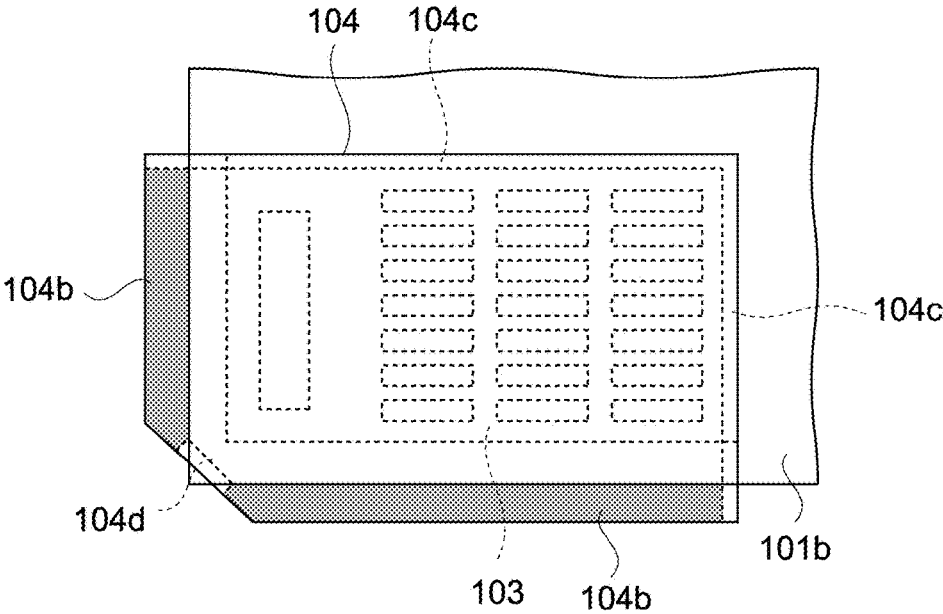
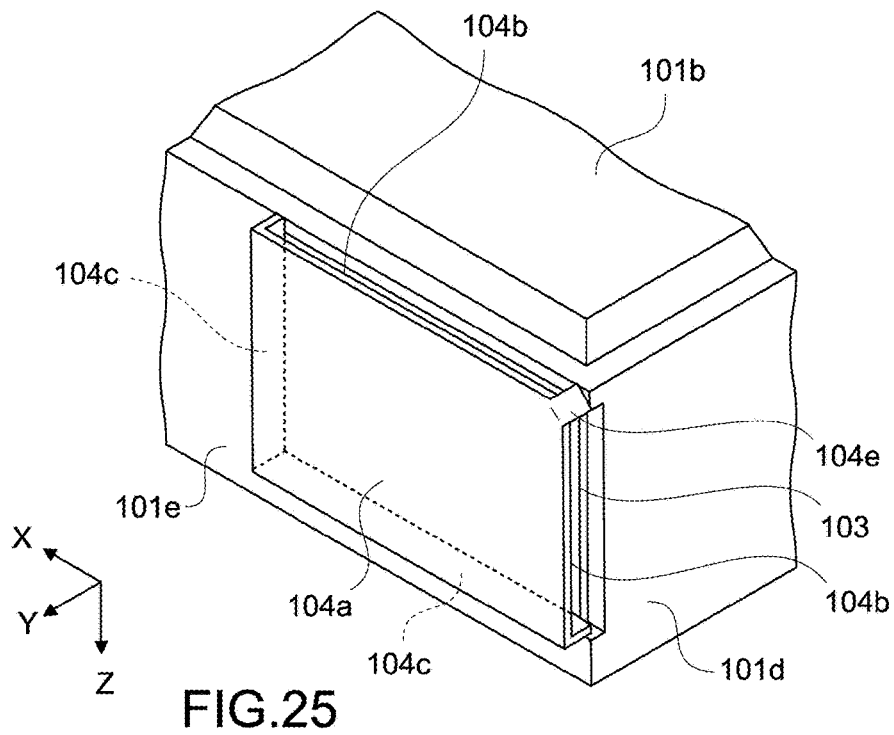
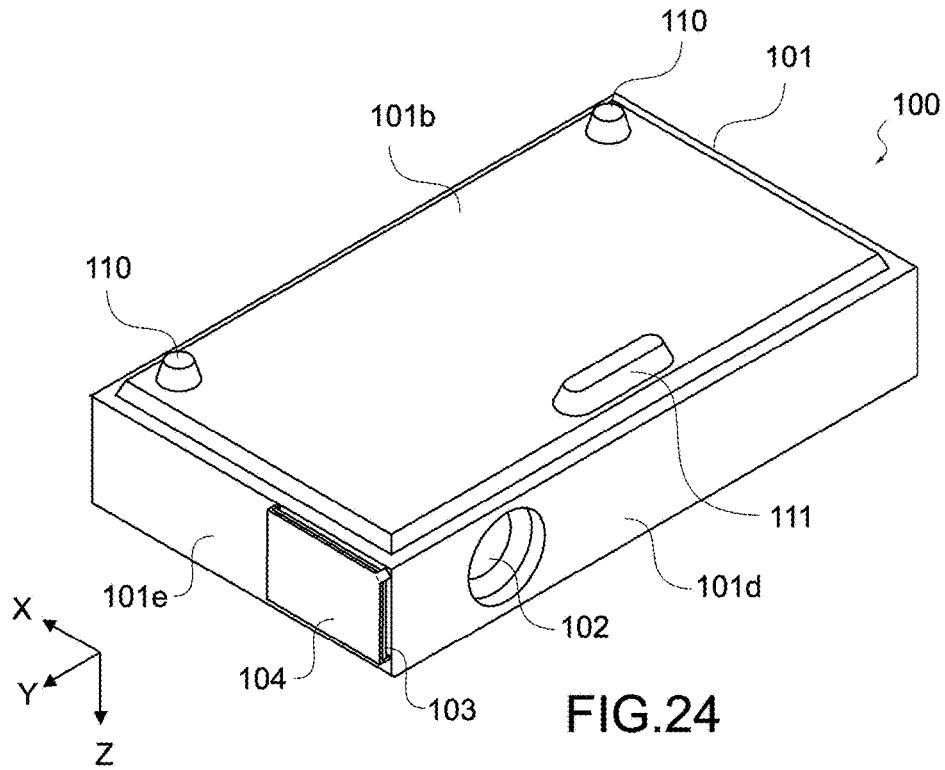


FIG. 23



**PROJECTOR-TYPE DISPLAY APPARATUS**

## TECHNICAL FIELD

The present technology relates to a projector-type display apparatus such as a liquid crystal projector and a CRT projector.

## BACKGROUND ART

A projector-type display apparatus such as a liquid crystal projector and a CRT (Cathode Ray Tube) projector includes a light source, optical components, and the like. It is necessary to cool down the components heated by the light source to lower the temperature thereof. Typically, a housing of a projector-type display apparatus has an air-inlet-port. Air from the air-inlet-port flows into an air-intake fan. The intake air flows into the housing, and cools down the components.

The air-inlet-port has a filter, which blocks dust from flowing into the housing. For example, Patent Literature 1 discloses a projector-type display apparatus including a filter. The filter is attached to a housing, and is covered by a cap-for-replacing-filter. The cap has an air-inlet-port. Air flows into a housing via the air-inlet-port and the filter.

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Patent Literature 1: Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 2008-262061

## DISCLOSURE OF INVENTION

## Technical Problem

Where more and more dust accumulates on the filter, less and less air passes through the filter. So it is necessary to detach the filter from the housing and to replace or clean the filter on a regular basis. However, according to the structure of Patent Literature 1, it is necessary to detach the cap, which is screwed, for example, and fixed onto the housing. It is thus not easy to attach and detach the filter.

In particular, in some cases, a projector-type display apparatus is hung on a ceiling when it is used. In such a case, it is more and more difficult to attach and detach the filter. Further, when detaching the filter from the housing, due to inclination of the filter, dust may float up and flow into the air-inlet-port.

In view of the aforementioned circumstances, it is an object of the present technology to provide a projector-type display apparatus with ease of maintenance.

## Solution to Problem

To attain the aforementioned object, according to an embodiment of the present technology, a projector-type display apparatus includes an optical-system-for-projecting, a housing, a fan, an air-filter, and a filter-cover.

The housing includes an air-inlet-port, and houses the optical-system-for-projecting.

The fan is housed in the housing, air from the air-inlet-port flowing into the fan.

The air-filter is attachable to and detachable from the housing, and covers the air-inlet-port.

The filter-cover is attachable to and detachable from the air-filter.

According to this structure, the filter-cover and the air-filter, which are assembled, may be attached to and detached from the housing. This structure will provide ease of maintenance compared to a structure in which a filter-cover and an air-filter are attached to a housing separately.

The air-filter and the filter-cover may be slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing.

According to this structure, even if the housing is hung on a ceiling and the air-inlet-port is positioned on a vertical-upside of the housing or the like, it is possible to attach and detach the filter-cover and the air-filter to and from the housing with ease.

The filter-cover may include a top plate part facing the air-filter, a side wall part that blocks air from flowing into a space between the top plate part and the air-filter, and an open part that allows air to flow into the space between the top plate part and the air-filter.

According to this structure, the air-inlet-port is positioned on a vertical-upside surface of the housing. Even if dust accumulates on that surface, since the top plate part covers the air-filter, it is possible to block dust from flowing into the air-filter.

The open part may be provided along a rim of a surface of the housing, the surface having the air-inlet-port, and the side wall part may be provided such that the side wall part separates the air-filter from an area of the surface, the area avoiding facing the top plate part.

According to this structure, even if dust accumulates on the surface having the air-inlet-port of the housing, air flows into the open part, which is provided on the rim of that surface, i.e., provided in a direction avoiding that surface. The side wall part may thus block dust accumulated on that surface from flowing into the air-filter.

A part of the top plate part may protrude from the rim of the surface, and

the open part may be provided between the rim of the surface and the top plate part protruding from the rim of the surface.

According to this structure, the open part is spaced apart from an area of the surface having the air-inlet-port of the housing, the area avoiding facing the top plate part. So dust accumulated on that surface less flows into the open part.

The filter-cover includes a dust catcher that blocks dust from falling onto the air-inlet-port when sliding.

As described above, the filter-cover and the air-filter are slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing. So, if dust accumulated on the filter-cover falls down when sliding, the dust may flow into the air-inlet-port. However, since the dust catcher is provided, it is possible to block such dust into the air-inlet-port.

The projector-type display apparatus may be attached onto a ceiling.

The air-inlet-port may be provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a ceiling.

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According to this structure, where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a ceiling, it is possible to prevent dust from accumulating on the air-filter, which is positioned on a vertical-upside of the housing.



The air-inlet-port may be provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a wall.

According to this structure, where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a wall, it is possible to prevent dust from accumulating on the air-filter, which is positioned on a vertical-upside of the housing.

#### Advantageous Effects of Invention

As described above, according to the present technology, it is possible to provide a projector-type display apparatus with ease of maintenance. Note that the aforementioned effects are not necessarily limitations, and any other effects described in the present disclosure may be obtained.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus of an embodiment of the present technology.

FIG. 2 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 3 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 4 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus, from which the filter-cover is detached.

FIG. 5 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus, from which the air-filter and the filter-cover are detached.

FIG. 6 A perspective view showing the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 7 A perspective view showing the air-inlet-port of the housing of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 8 A perspective view showing the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 9 A perspective view showing the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 10 A perspective view showing the filter-cover and the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 11 A perspective view showing the filter-cover and the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 12 A plan view showing the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 13 A diagram schematically showing directions of airflow flowing into the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 14 A diagram schematically showing how to attach and detach the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus to and from the housing.

FIG. 15 A diagram schematically showing how to attach and detach the filter-cover and the air-filter of the projector-type display apparatus to and from the housing.

FIG. 16 A cross-sectional view showing the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 17 A plan view showing the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 18 A cross-sectional view showing a filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 19 A cross-sectional view showing a filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 20 A cross-sectional view showing a filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 21 A cross-sectional view showing a filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 22 A cross-sectional view showing a filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

FIG. 23 A plan view showing the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus according to a modification example of the present technology.

FIG. 24 A perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus of another modification example of the present technology.

FIG. 25 A perspective view showing the air-filter and the filter-cover of the projector-type display apparatus.

#### MODE(S) FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION

A projector-type display apparatus of the present embodiment will be described.

[Entire structure of projector-type display apparatus]

FIG. 1 to FIG. 3 are perspective views showing the projector-type display apparatus 100 of the present embodiment seen in different directions. In the drawings, the X direction, the Y direction, and the Z direction are three directions orthogonal to each other.

As shown in FIG. 1 to FIG. 3, the projector-type display apparatus 100 includes the housing 101, the projector lens 102, the air-filter 103, the filter-cover 104, the blowholes 105, the operational switches 106, the optical system adjustment lever 107, the image input terminals 108, the power terminal 109, the foot parts 110, and the foot part 111.

As shown in FIG. 1 to FIG. 3, the housing 101 has a substantially rectangular-parallelepiped shape, and has the top surface 101a, the bottom surface 101b, the front surface 101c, the back surface 101d, the right-side surface 101e, and the left-side surface 101f. The top surface 101a is parallel to the bottom surface 101b. The front surface 101c, the back surface 101d, the right-side surface 101e, and the left-side surface 101f are orthogonal to the top surface 101a and the bottom surface 101b. Further, the front surface 101c is parallel to the back surface 101d, and the right-side surface 101e is parallel to the left-side surface 101f.

The housing 101 houses an optical-system-for-projecting including a light source, an optical system, a driver circuit, the projector lens 102, and the like. A configuration of the optical-system-for-projecting is not especially limited. The optical-system-for-projecting may have any configuration as long as the optical-system-for-projecting is capable of generating an image on a basis of an image signal input in the image input terminal 108 from an external device such as a PC and projecting the image on a screen or the like from the projector lens 102.

The air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 are attachable to and detachable from the housing 101. FIG. 4 is a perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus 100, from which the filter-cover 104 is detached. FIG. 5 is a perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus 100, from which the air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 are detached.

As shown in FIG. 5, the bottom surface 101b has the filter attachment part 101g and the air-inlet-ports 101h. The filter attachment part 101g is concave from the bottom surface 101b. As shown in FIG. 4, the filter attachment part 101g has a depth such that the air-filter 103 is flush with the bottom surface 101b where the air-filter 103 is attached to the housing 101.

The air-inlet-ports 101h are formed in the filter attachment part 101g, and are openings for communication between the inside and the outside of the housing 101, the number and the shape thereof being not especially limited.

The housing **101** has an air-intake fan (not shown) inside. The air-intake path thereof is connected to the air-inlet-ports **101h**. As shown in FIG. 5, the filter attachment part **101g** and the air-inlet-ports **101h** of the housing **101** may be near the projector lens **102**. Not limited to that, the filter attachment part **101g** and the air-inlet-ports **101h** may be on any positions as long as it is effective to cool down the optical-system-for-projecting.

The front surface **101c** has the projector lens **102**. As described above, the projector lens **102** is a part of the optical-system-for-projecting, and projects an image on a screen or the like.

The air-filter **103** is a filter that removes dust from the air flowing into the air-inlet-ports **101h**. The filter-cover **104** is a cover that blocks dust flowing into the air-filter **103**. The air-filter **103** and the filter-cover **104** will be described later.

The right-side surface **101e** and the left-side surface **101f** have the blowholes **105**. The blowholes **105** include openings for communication between the inside and the outside of the housing **101**. Air flowing into the housing **101** from the air-inlet-ports **101h** goes out from the blowholes **105**. The positions and shapes of the blowholes **105** are not especially limited.

The top surface **101a** has the operational switches **106**. The operational switches **106** are switches for operations of the projector-type display apparatus **100**, and include a power switch, a switch for selecting a device that inputs an image, and the like. The top surface **101a** has the optical system adjustment lever **107**. The optical system adjustment lever **107** is a lever for adjusting the focus of the projector lens **102** and the like.

The back surface **101d** has the power terminal **109**. The power terminal **109** is a terminal to which a power cord is connected. The back surface **101d** has the image input terminals **108**. Each of the image input terminals **108** is a terminal to which a device that outputs an image such as a PC is connected.

The bottom surface **101b** has the foot parts **110** near the back surface **101d** side. The bottom surface **101b** has the foot part **111** near the front surface **101c** side. The foot parts **110** and the foot part **111** support the housing **101** on a table, on which the projector-type display apparatus **100** is placed. The height of the foot part **111** from the bottom surface **101b** may be adjustable.

[Air-filter and Filter-cover]

FIG. 6 is a perspective view showing the air-filter **103**. As shown in FIG. 6, the air-filter **103** has a plate shape, and has the openings **103a**, the holes-connected-with-cover **103b**, the grip **103c**, and the tabs-engaged-with-housing **103d**.

The openings **103a** are openings for communication between the front surface and the back surface of the air-filter **103**. At least one of the inside of the openings **103a**, the front surface of the air-filter **103**, and the back surface of the air-filter **103** has a filter material having fine pores. The filter material catches dust in the air passing through the openings **103a**. As shown in FIG. 4, where the air-filter **103** is attached to the housing **101**, the openings **103a** are placed immediately above the air-inlet-ports **101h** of the housing **101**.

The holes-connected-with-cover **103b** are holes that are used to attach the filter-cover **104** to the air-filter **103**. A user uses the grip **103c** to slide the air-filter **103** on the housing **101**.

The tabs-engaged-with-housing **103d** are protrusions provided on side surfaces of the air-filter **103**. The air-filter **103** is capable of sliding on the housing **101** with the use of the tabs-engaged-with-housing **103d**. FIG. 7 is a perspective

view showing the filter attachment part **101g** of the housing **101** and therearound. As shown in FIG. 7, the filter attachment part **101g** has the guide grooves **101i**. The tabs-engaged-with-housing **103d** are inserted in the guide grooves **101i**, and guide the air-filter **103** sliding on the housing.

The sliding direction of the air-filter **103** on the housing **101** may be a direction parallel to the bottom surface **101b**. Note that the structure, which allows the air-filter **103** to slide on the housing, is not limited to the aforementioned structure. For example, the air-filter **103** may have guide grooves, and the housing **101** may have tabs engaged with the air-filter. Further, according to another possible structure, the air-filter **103** comes in close contact with the filter attachment part **101g** in the direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**, is then slid slightly, and is thereby attached to the housing **101**.

FIG. 8 and FIG. 9 are perspective views showing the filter-cover **104** seen in different directions. FIG. 10 and FIG. 11 are perspective views showing the filter-cover **104** attached to the housing **101** seen in different directions. As shown in FIG. 8 to FIG. 11, the filter-cover **104** includes the top plate part **104a**, the open parts **104b**, the side wall parts **104c**, the tabs-engaged-with-filter **104d**, and the support part **104e**.

The top plate part **104a** is a plate-shaped part. Where the filter-cover **104** is attached to the housing **101**, the top plate part **104a** faces the air-filter **103**, the top plate part **104a** being spaced apart from the air-filter **103**. The height of the top plate part **104a** from the bottom surface **101b** is not especially limited. Preferably, the height is such that, where the projector-type display apparatus **100** is placed on a table and the foot parts **110** and the foot part **111** come in close contact with the table, the top plate part **104a** does not contact with the table.

As shown in FIG. 10, the open parts **104b** are gaps between the top plate part **104a** and the housing **101**. The open parts **104b** allow air to flow into the space between the top plate part **104a** and the air-filter **103**. The side wall parts **104c** are plate-shaped parts that are orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b** where the filter-cover **104** is attached to the housing **101**.

The tabs-engaged-with-filter **104d** are on the edges of the side wall parts **104c**. Where the tabs-engaged-with-filter **104d** are inserted in the holes-connected-with-cover **103b** of the air-filter **103**, the filter-cover **104** is fixed onto the air-filter **103**. As shown in FIG. 11, the side wall parts **104c** thereby close the space between the top plate part **104a** and the air-filter **103**. The side wall parts **104c** block air from flowing into the space between the top plate part **104a** and the air-filter **103**.

FIG. 12 is a plan view showing the filter-cover **104** seen in a direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**. As shown in FIG. 12, the open parts **104b** are provided along rims of the bottom surface **101b**. According to the present embodiment, where the filter-cover **104** is seen in the direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**, two edges of the substantially-rectangular top plate part **104a** overlap with rims of the bottom surface **101b**. It means that the open parts **104b** are formed between those two edges and the housing **101**.

If one edge of the top plate part **104a** overlaps with a rim of the bottom surface **101b** where the filter-cover **104** is seen in the direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**, the open part **104b** may be formed between that edge and the housing **101**. Similarly, if three edges of the top plate part **104a** overlap with rims of the bottom surface **101b** where the

filter-cover **104** is seen in the direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**, the open parts **104b** may be formed between those three edges and the housing **101**.

The side wall parts **104c** are provided such that the side wall parts **104c** separate the air-filter **103** from an area of the bottom surface **101b**, the area avoiding facing the top plate part **104a**. The area of the bottom surface **101b**, the area avoiding facing the top plate part **104a**, is an area around the filter-cover **104**, where the filter-cover **104** is seen in the direction orthogonal to the bottom surface **101b**.

The support part **104e** is provided on a rim of the top plate part **104a**, is at a position spaced apart from the side wall parts **104c**, and protrudes from the top plate part **104a** in the direction toward the housing **101**. Where the filter-cover **104** is attached to the housing **101**, the support part **104e** comes in close contact with the housing **101** and supports the top plate part **104a**. Note that, if the top plate part **104a** has a certain size or is made of a certain material and the top plate part **104a** thereby has enough strength, the support part **104e** may not be provided.

FIG. **13** is a diagram schematically showing the filter-cover **104** and directions of airflow. Upon powering on the projector-type display apparatus **100** where the air-filter **103** and the filter-cover **104** are attached to the housing **101**, the air-intake fan housed in the housing **101** is driven, and air flows into the air-inlet-ports **101h**.

Note that the filter-cover **104** has the open parts **104b**. As the arrows shown in FIG. **13**, air therefore flows into the filter-cover **104** from the open parts **104b**, and flows into the air-inlet-ports **101h** via the air-filter **103**. The side wall parts **104c** are provided between the air-filter **103** and the area of the bottom surface **101b**, the area avoiding facing the top plate part **104a**. So airflow from that area is blocked.

The projector-type display apparatus **100** may be placed where the bottom surface **101b** is a vertical-downside, when it is used. In addition, the projector-type display apparatus **100** may be hung on a ceiling where the bottom surface **101b** is a vertical-upside, when it is used. Note that, where the bottom surface **101b** is the vertical-upside, dust accumulates on the bottom surface **101b**.

In the filter-cover **104**, the side wall parts **104c** are provided between the outer sides of the filter-cover **104** and the bottom surface **101b**. The open parts **104b** are provided along rims of the bottom surface **101b**. Dust accumulated on the bottom surface **101b** is thus blocked from flowing into the filter-cover **104**. So, even if the projector-type display apparatus **100** is placed where the bottom surface **101b** is a vertical-upside, the maintenance frequency of the air-filter **103** is not affected.

[Attachment and Detachment of Air-filter and Filter-cover]

FIG. **14** is a diagram schematically showing how to attach and detach the air-filter **103**. As shown in FIG. **14**, the air-filter **103** may be attached to the housing **101** by inserting the tabs-engaged-with-housing **103d** in the guide grooves **101i** and sliding the air-filter **103** on the housing **101**.

The sliding direction may be a direction parallel to the bottom surface **101b**. Note that, according to the structure of the present embodiment, the air-filter **103** is slid on the housing **101** from the right-side surface **101e** side. According to an alternative structure, the air-filter **103** may be slid on the housing **101** from the front surface **101c** side.

The filter-cover **104** may be attached to the air-filter **103** by inserting the tabs-engaged-with-filter **104d** in the holes-connected-with-cover **103b**. FIG. **15** is a diagram schematically showing how to attach and detach the filter-cover **104**. As shown in FIG. **15**, the air-filter **103** and the filter-cover

**104** are slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing **101**, where the filter-cover **104** is attached to the air-filter **103**.

So, even if the projector-type display apparatus **100** is hung on a ceiling and the bottom surface **101b** faces the vertical-upside, it is possible to slide the air-filter **103** and the filter-cover **104** together to be attached and detached. Meanwhile, according to a structure of a typical projector-type display apparatus, it is necessary to detach a filter-cover and then detach an air-filter. If the projector-type display apparatus is hung on a ceiling, in many cases, it is difficult to see the filter-cover and the air-filter and, in addition, it is difficult to attach and detach the filter-cover and the air-filter because a space between the ceiling and the projector-type display apparatus is narrow.

To the contrary, according to the structure of the present embodiment, it is possible to attach and detach the air-filter **103** and the filter-cover **104** to and from the housing **101** only by sliding the air-filter **103** and the filter-cover **104** together between a ceiling and the projector-type display apparatus, which will provide ease of maintenance. Further, as described above, dust is blocked from flowing into the air-filter **103** by the top plate part **104a** of the filter-cover **104** covering the air-filter **103** and thanks to the arrangement of the open parts **104b** and the side wall parts **104c**. So, even if the bottom surface **101b** is a vertical-upside, the maintenance frequency is not affected.

Note that the filter-cover **104** may be attached to the air-filter **103** after the air-filter **103** is solely attached to the housing **101**.

[Dust Catcher]

As described above, the filter-cover **104** and the air-filter **103** are slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing **101**. Note that, where the bottom surface **101b** is a vertical-upside, dust accumulates on the bottom surface **101b** and the top plate part **104a**. In view of that, the filter-cover **104** may have a dust catcher.

FIG. **16** is a cross-sectional view showing a part of the filter-cover **104**. FIG. **17** is a plan view showing the filter-cover **104**. As shown in FIG. **16** and FIG. **17**, the filter-cover **104** may have the dust catcher **104f**.

The dust catcher **104f** is on a front surface (surface opposite to surface facing air-filter **103**) of the top plate part **104a**, and has a groove-shaped structure. As shown in FIG. **17**, the dust catcher **104f** extends in a direction orthogonal to the sliding direction (arrow of FIG. **17**) of the filter-cover **104**. Preferably, the dust catcher **104f** may be positioned near a rim of the top plate part **104a**, the rim being the back end of the top plate part **104a** when sliding the filter-cover **104** to be detached from the housing **101**.

If the dust catcher **104f** is not provided, when the filter-cover **104** is slid on the housing **101**, dust accumulated on the top plate part **104a** may float up, and the dust may fall down from the top plate part **104a** over the rim of the top plate part **104a**. The dust falls toward the air-inlet-ports **101h** (see FIG. **15**), and the dust may thus flow into the air-inlet-ports **101h**. The dust catcher **104f** may catch dust floating up from the top plate part **104a**, and block the dust from falling down from the rim of the top plate part **104a**.

The dust catcher **104f** may have not only the aforementioned groove but also another structure capable of blocking dust from falling down when sliding. FIG. **18** to FIG. **20** are cross-sectional views showing the dust catchers **104f** having various structures. As shown in FIG. **18**, the dust catcher **104f** may be a convex part provided on a rim of the top plate part **104a** and extending in a direction orthogonal to the sliding direction.

Further, as shown in FIG. 19, the dust catcher 104f may be a concavo-convex waveform formed on the top plate part 104a. As shown in FIG. 20, the dust catcher 104f may be a protrusion of the top plate part 104a from the side wall parts 104c.

Further, the dust catcher 104f may be formed on the side wall parts 104c. Each of FIG. 21 and FIG. 22 is a cross-sectional view showing the dust catcher 104f formed on the side wall part 104c. As shown in each of FIG. 21 and FIG. 22, the dust catcher 104f may be a protruding part formed on the side wall part 104c and extending in a direction orthogonal to the sliding direction. A groove, a convex part, or the like may be formed on the protruding part.

[Modification Examples]

FIG. 23 is a plan view showing the filter-cover 104 of the projector-type display apparatus 100 according to a modification example, which is seen in a direction orthogonal to the bottom surface 101b. As shown in FIG. 23, parts of the top plate part 104a may protrude from rims of the bottom surface 101b. The open parts 104b may be provided between the rims of the bottom surface 101b and the top plate part 104a protruding from the rims of the bottom surface 101b. The open parts 104b are therefore spaced apart from outer sides of the bottom surface 101b of the filter-cover 104. So dust accumulated on the bottom surface 101b less flows into the open parts 104b.

FIG. 24 is a perspective view showing the projector-type display apparatus 100 of another modification example. FIG. 25 is a perspective view showing the air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 of the projector-type display apparatus of this modification example. As shown in FIG. 24 and FIG. 25, the air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 may be attached to the right-side surface 101e. The right-side surface 101e has the air-inlet-ports 101h, and the air-filter 103 covers the air-inlet-ports 101h.

The air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 are slid in a direction parallel to the right-side surface 101e to be attached to and detached from the housing 101. The open parts 104b are provided along rims of the right-side surface 101e. The side wall parts 104c are provided such that the side wall parts 104c separate the air-filter 103 from an area of the right-side surface 101e, the area avoiding facing the top plate part 104a.

The bottom surface 101b of the projector-type display apparatus 100 may be attached onto a wall, or the right-side surface 101e may be a vertical-upside. Since the right-side surface 101e has the air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104, even if the right-side surface 101e is a vertical-upside, dust may be blocked from flowing into the air-filter 103 and, in addition, the air-filter 103 and the filter-cover 104 may be attached and detached with ease. Similarly, the right-side surface 101e or the top surface 101a may have the air-inlet-ports 101h, the air-filter 103, and the filter-cover 104.

Note that the present technology may employ the following structures.

- (1) A projector-type display apparatus, including:
  - an optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a housing including an air-inlet-port, and housing the optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a fan housed in the housing, air from the air-inlet-port flowing into the fan;
  - an air-filter attachable to and detachable from the housing, and covering the air-inlet-port; and
  - a filter-cover attachable to and detachable from the air-filter.

(2) The projector-type display apparatus according to the aforementioned (1), in which the air-filter and the filter-cover are slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing.

(3) The projector-type display apparatus according to the aforementioned (1) or (2), in which the filter-cover includes a top plate part facing the air-filter, a side wall part that blocks air from flowing into a space between the top plate part and the air-filter, and an open part that allows air to flow into the space between the top plate part and the air-filter.

(4) The projector-type display apparatus according to the aforementioned (3), in which the open part is provided along a rim of a surface of the housing, the surface having the air-inlet-port, and

the side wall part is provided such that the side wall part separates the air-filter from an area of the surface, the area avoiding facing the top plate part.

(5) The projector-type display apparatus according to the aforementioned (3) or (4), in which

a part of the top plate part protrudes from the rim of the surface, and

the open part is provided between the rim of the surface and the top plate part protruding from the rim of the surface.

(6) The projector-type display apparatus according to any one of the aforementioned (1) to (5), in which the filter-cover includes a dust catcher that blocks dust from falling onto the air-inlet-port when sliding.

(7) The projector-type display apparatus according to any one of the aforementioned (1) to (6), in which

the air-inlet-port is provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a ceiling.

The projector-type display apparatus according to any one of the aforementioned (1) to (6), in which

the air-inlet-port is provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a wall.

REFERENCE SIGNS LIST

- 100 projector-type display apparatus
- 101 housing
- 101b bottom surface
- 101h air-inlet-port
- 102 projector lens
- 103 air-filter
- 104 filter-cover
- 104a top plate part
- 104b open part
- 104c side wall part
- 104f dust catcher

The invention claimed is:

1. A projector-type display apparatus, comprising:
  - an optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a housing including an air-inlet-port, and housing the optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a fan housed in the housing, air from the air-inlet-port flowing into the fan;
  - an air-filter attachable to and detachable from the housing, and covering the air-inlet-port; and
  - a filter-cover attachable to and detachable from the air-filter, the filter-cover including a dust catcher that blocks dust from falling onto the air-inlet-port when sliding.
2. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

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- the air-filter and the filter-cover are slid together to be attached to and detached from the housing.
- 3. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 2, wherein
  - the filter-cover includes a top plate part facing the air-filter, a side wall part that blocks air from flowing into a space between the top plate part and the air-filter, and an open part that allows air to flow into the space between the top plate part and the air-filter.
- 4. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 3, wherein
  - the open part is provided along a rim of a surface of the housing, the surface having the air-inlet-port, and the side wall part is provided such that the side wall part separates the air-filter from an area of the surface, the area avoiding facing the top plate part.
- 5. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 2, wherein
  - the air-inlet-port is provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a ceiling.
- 6. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 2, wherein
  - the air-inlet-port is provided on a surface of the housing, the surface being a vertical-upside of the housing where the projector-type display apparatus is attached onto a wall.

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- 7. A projector-type display apparatus comprising:
  - an optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a housing including an air-inlet-port, and housing the optical-system-for-projecting;
  - a fan housed in the housing, air from the air-inlet-port flowing into the fan;
  - an air-filter attachable to and detachable from the housing, and covering the air-inlet-port; and
  - a filter-cover attachable to and detachable from the air-filter, wherein
    - an open part is provided along a rim of a surface of the housing, the surface having the air-inlet-port,
    - a side wall part is provided such that the side wall part separates the air-filter from an area of the surface, the area avoiding facing a top plate part,
    - a part of the top plate part protrudes from the rim of the surface, and
    - the open part is provided between the rim of the surface and the top plate part protruding from the rim of the surface.
- 8. The projector-type display apparatus according to claim 7, wherein
  - the filter-cover includes a dust catcher that blocks dust from falling onto the air-inlet-port when sliding.

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