

**CPC****COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION****B06B**

**METHODS OR APPARATUS FOR GENERATING OR TRANSMITTING MECHANICAL VIBRATIONS OF INFRASONIC, SONIC, OR ULTRASONIC FREQUENCY, { e.g. } FOR PERFORMING MECHANICAL WORK IN GENERAL** (for particular applications, see the relevant subclasses, e.g. [B07B 1/40](#), [B23Q 17/12](#), [B24B 31/06](#); measurement of mechanical vibrations [G01H](#) ; in direction finding, locating, distance or velocity measuring [G01S](#) ; { generating seismic energy [G01V 1/02](#) }; control of mechanical vibrations in general [G05D](#) ; sound-producing devices, e.g. bells, sirens, whistles [G10K](#) , { e.g. methods or devices for transmitting, conducting, or directing sound in general [G10K 11/00](#) }; generation of electrical oscillations [H03B](#) ; electromechanical resonators in general [H03H](#) ; electromechanical transducers { for communication techniques, e.g. microphones, speakers } [H04R](#) )

**Guidance heading:****B06B 1/00**

**Methods or apparatus for generating mechanical vibrations of infrasonic, sonic, or ultrasonic frequency**

- B06B 1/02 . making use of electrical energy ([B06B 1/18](#), [B06B 1/20](#) take precedence)
- B06B 1/0207 .. {Driving circuits (specially adapted for particular applications, see the relevant subclass, e.g. [G01](#) ; circuits for steering transducer arrays [G10K 11/34](#); basic circuits [H03](#) ) }
- B06B 1/0215 ... {for generating pulses, e.g. bursts of oscillations, envelopes }
- B06B 1/0223 ... {for generating signals continuous in time }
- B06B 1/023 .... {and stepped in amplitude, e.g. square wave, 2-level signal }
- B06B 1/0238 .... {of a single frequency, e.g. a sine-wave }
- B06B 1/0246 ..... {with a feedback signal }
- B06B 1/0253 ..... {taken directly from the generator circuit }
- B06B 1/0261 ..... {taken from a transducer or electrode connected to the driving transducer }
- B06B 1/0269 .... {for generating multiple frequencies }
- B06B 1/0276 ..... {with simultaneous generation, e.g. with modulation, harmonics }
- B06B 1/0284 ..... {with consecutive, i.e. sequential generation, e.g. with frequency sweep }
- B06B 1/0292 .. {Electrostatic transducers, e.g. electret-type }
- B06B 1/04 .. operating with electromagnetism (dynamo-electric motors with vibrating magnet, armature or coil system [H02K 33/00](#))
- B06B 1/045 ... {using vibrating magnet, armature or coil system }
- B06B 1/06 .. operating with piezo-electric effect or with electrostriction (piezo-electric or electrostrictive devices per se [H01L 41/00](#))
- B06B 1/0603 ... {using a piezo-electric bender, e.g. bimorph }
- B06B 1/0607 ... {using multiple elements ([B06B 1/064](#) and [B06B 1/0688](#) take precedence) }
- B06B 1/0611 .... {in a pile }
- B06B 1/0614 ..... {for generating several frequencies }

B06B 1/0618	.....	{of piezo- and non-piezo-electric elements, e.g. `Tonpilz` }
B06B 1/0622	....	{on one surface }
B06B 1/0625	.....	{Annular array }
B06B 1/0629	.....	{Square array }
B06B 1/0633	.....	{Cylindrical array }
B06B 1/0637	.....	{Spherical array }
B06B 1/064	.....	{with multiple active layers }
B06B 1/0644	...	{using a single piezo-electric element ( <a href="#">B06B 1/0688</a> takes precedence) }
B06B 1/0648	....	{of rectangular shape }
B06B 1/0651	....	{of circular shape }
B06B 1/0655	....	{of cylindrical shape }
B06B 1/0659	....	{of U-shape }
B06B 1/0662	....	{with an electrode on the sensitive surface }
B06B 1/0666	.....	{used as a diaphragm }
B06B 1/067	.....	{which is used as, or combined with, an impedance matching layer }
B06B 1/0674	.....	{and a low impedance backing, e.g. air }
B06B 1/0677	.....	{and a high impedance backing }
B06B 1/0681	.....	{and a damping structure }
B06B 1/0685	.....	{on the back only of piezo-electric elements }
B06B 1/0688	...	{with foil-type piezo-electric elements, e.g. PVDF }
B06B 1/0692	....	{with a continuous electrode on one side and a plurality of electrodes on the other side }
B06B 1/0696	....	{with a plurality of electrodes on both sides }
B06B 1/08	..	operating with magnetostriction ( <a href="#">magnetostrictive devices per se H01L 41/00</a> )
B06B 1/085	...	{using multiple elements, e.g. arrays }
B06B 1/10	.	making use of mechanical energy ( <a href="#">B06B 1/18</a> , <a href="#">B06B 1/20</a> take precedence)
B06B 1/12	..	operating with systems involving reciprocating masses
B06B 1/14	...	the masses being elastically coupled
B06B 1/16	..	operating with systems involving rotary unbalanced masses { ( <a href="#">electrical motors using rotary unbalanced masses in general H02K 7/061</a> ) }
B06B 1/161	...	{Adjustable systems, i.e. where amplitude or direction of frequency of vibration can be varied }
B06B 1/162	....	{Making use of masses with adjustable amount of eccentricity }
B06B 1/163	.....	{the amount of eccentricity being only adjustable when the system is stationary ( <a href="#">B06B 1/165</a> takes precedence) }
B06B 1/164	.....	{the amount of eccentricity being automatically variable as a function of the running condition, e.g. speed, direction ( <a href="#">B06B 1/165</a> takes precedence) }
B06B 1/165	.....	{with fluid masses or the like }
B06B 1/166	....	{Where the phase-angle of masses mounted on counter-rotating shafts can be varied, e.g. variation of the vibration phase }
B06B 1/167	...	{Orbital vibrators having masses being driven by planetary gearings, rotating cranks or the like }
B06B 1/168	....	{Rotary pendulum vibrators }

- B06B 1/18 . wherein the vibrator is actuated by pressure fluid ([B06B 1/20](#) takes precedence)
- B06B 1/183 . . {operating with reciprocating masses }
- B06B 1/186 . . {operating with rotary unbalanced masses }
- B06B 1/20 . making use of a vibrating fluid { ([whistles or sirens per se G10K](#) ) }
- B06B 3/00** **Methods or apparatus specially adapted for transmitting mechanical vibrations of infrasonic, sonic, or ultrasonic frequency**
- B06B 3/02 . involving a change of amplitude
- B06B 3/04 . involving focusing or reflecting

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- B06B 2201/00** **Indexing scheme associated with [B06B 1/0207](#) for details covered by [B06B 1/0207](#) but not provided for in any of its subgroups**
- B06B 2201/20 . Application to multi-element transducer
- B06B 2201/30 . with electronic damping
- B06B 2201/40 . with testing, calibrating, safety devices, built-in protection, construction details
- B06B 2201/50 . Application to a particular transducer type
- B06B 2201/51 . . Electrostatic transducer
- B06B 2201/52 . . Electrodynamic transducer
- B06B 2201/53 . . . with vibrating magnet or coil
- B06B 2201/54 . . . Electromagnetic acoustic transducers [EMAT]
- B06B 2201/55 . . Piezoelectric transducer
- B06B 2201/56 . . . Foil type, e.g. PVDF
- B06B 2201/57 . . Electrostrictive transducer
- B06B 2201/58 . . Magnetostrictive transducer
- B06B 2201/70 . Specific application
- B06B 2201/71 . . Cleaning in a tank
- B06B 2201/72 . . Welding, joining, soldering
- B06B 2201/73 . . Drilling
- B06B 2201/74 . . Underwater
- B06B 2201/75 . . Repelling animals, insects, humans
- B06B 2201/76 . . Medical, dental
- B06B 2201/77 . . Atomizers