

Title (en)

A FLYING HEAD POSITIONER WITH FINE POSITIONING

Title (de)

STELLANTRIEB FÜR FLIEGENDEN OPTISCHEN KOPF MIT FEINEINSTELLUNG

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO9739447A1] A head positioner for an optical disk drive comprises a flying optical head, a coarse positioner and a head carriage coupled to the coarse positioner. The head carriage includes a fine positioner on which the flying optical head is mounted. A method for positioning a flying optical head includes steps of positioning the head carriage within a distance of the target position equal to a first positional resolution and rotating the head carriage to position the head within a distance of the target position equal to a second positional resolution less than the first positional resolution. The head positioner may also comprise a sensor having an output representative of a flying height of the head above the medium, a controller coupled to the sensor output and an actuator arranged to apply a variable load force to the flying head through the head carriage.

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