EXCHANGEABLE STORAGE APPARATUS, RECORDING MEDIUM DRIVE ACTUATOR, HEAD DRIVE ACTUATOR, AND RECORDING MEDIUM CARTRIDGE

ABSTRACT

A thin (less than 5 mm) flexible disk drive (FDD) for which the recording medium can be replaced is disclosed. Recording medium drive actuator (140) and head drive actuator (105) are made thinner. A positioning means (158) of the inserted recording medium (301) is projected so as to enable avoidance, and FDD (100) is constructed in such a manner that read/write head (101) is avoided in the direction of movement of the recording medium drive actuator (140). Furthermore, a window (305) is provided for a recording medium cartridge (300) to be used for the FDD's so as to expose part of the radial surface and the outer circumference of the recording medium (301).

Fig. 2.