

ABSTRACT

First and second cap members (31,32) seal nozzle openings of first and second ink jet recording heads (7,8) and downward directed are disposed on an upper face of a slider (30). The slider is rotatably supported at the center portion in the longitudinal direction by a supporting member which is rotatable about a rotation shaft (50) elongating in a direction perpendicular to the moving direction of the carriage (1), and which is vertically movable in accordance with the movement of the carriage. When the carriage is moved, the slider swings about the shaft in a manner similar to a seesaw, whereby the two cap members are sequentially fitted into the recording heads.

[Figure 1]

This Sheet Has Been Replaced

