

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

OPTICAL DISC RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS

An optical disc recording and reproducing apparatus is provided. The apparatus detects the level of a focus error signal output from an optical pickup and a peak of the focus error signal occurred before the focus is obtained while an objective lens of the optical pickup moves in the focusing direction, discriminates a type of the loaded optical disc based on a first reference level or a second reference level, and actuates a focus servo before the objective lens moving in the focusing direction reaches a focalized position. Thus, a read only disc or a recordable disc can be rapidly reproduced.

Fig. 1