ABSTRACT:

Data storage unit

A data storage unit comprises a housing (1), an information disc (9) which is centrically rotatable about an axis of rotation (92), an electrical drive unit (11) for driving the information disc, a bearing means (31, 32) for supporting the information disc and the rotor relative to the housing, and a scanning unit for cooperation with the information disc. The housing comprises two plane-parallel main walls (3, 4) which are oriented transversely of the axis of rotation, which each have a contour at least substantially similar to that of the information disc, and which are interconnected by smaller side walls (6, 8). The housing forms a cartridge accommodating the information disc, the electrical drive unit and the scanning unit, the information disc being disposed in a plane intersecting the electrical drive unit, and the scanning unit being situated between the information disc and one of the main walls.

(Fig. 1)

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