

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention is to provide a disk cartridge and the like in which a disk cartridge can be increased in strength and in which a disk recording and reproducing apparatus can be simplified in structure.

A disk cartridge according to the present invention relates to a disk cartridge comprising a cartridge housing in which a disk compartment is formed by combining an upper shell and a lower shell and a shutter member for opening and closing an opening portion formed on the cartridge housing to expose a part of the disk compartment. A chucking ring made of a magnetic material attracted by magnetic force of a magnet provided on a turntable inserted from the opening portion to the disk compartment is supported to substantially a central portion of the inner surface of the upper shell so as to become freely movable.

According to the present invention, since the chucking ring can be removed from the table drive apparatus, the table drive apparatus can be simplified in structure, the cartridge housing can be increased in strength and can be made compact in size.



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