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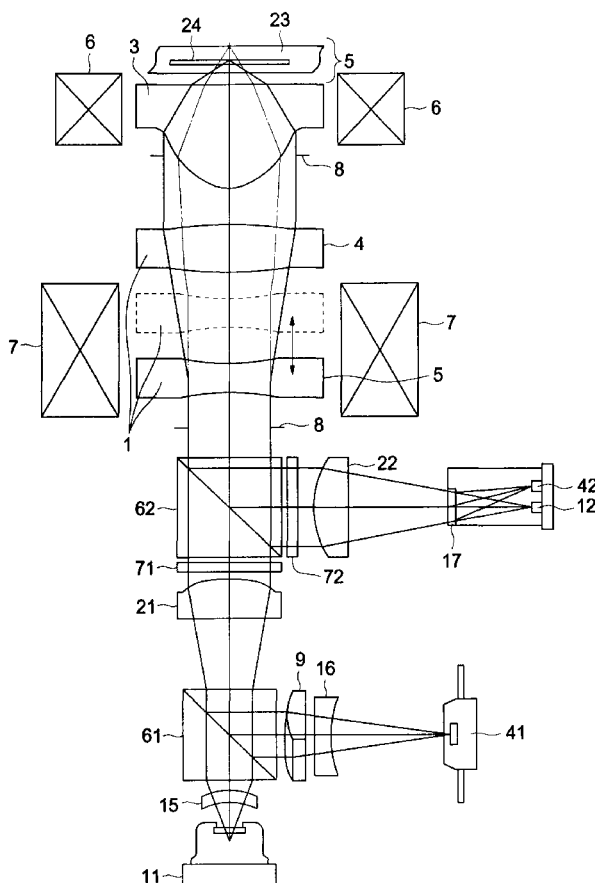
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(57) Abstract: An optical pickup apparatus for conducting recording and/or reproducing information of an optical information recording medium, comprises a light source; a converging optical system having an objective lens; and a photo-detector. The converging optical system comprises a plastic lens and a spherical aberration correcting element to correct deviation of a spherical aberration of the converging optical system. A numerical aperture of the objective lens at an image-side is 0.65 or more.

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