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(57) Abstract

A method of detecting the type of optical disc inserted in an optical disc player comprises the steps of: i) attempting to focus a laser read head on the disc using a first set of player parameters appropriate for a first type of disc (202), ii) if focus is obtained a) reading data from the disc (205) and determining whether a sub-code representative of a second type of disc is present (208), b) if so changing the first set of player parameters to a second set of player parameters appropriate to a second type of disc (209), c) if not playing or indicating the presence of the first type of disc (210), iii) if focus is not obtained (203) changing the first set of player parameters to said second set of player parameters (212), iv) if focus is then found (214) playing or indicating the presence of the second type of disc.

