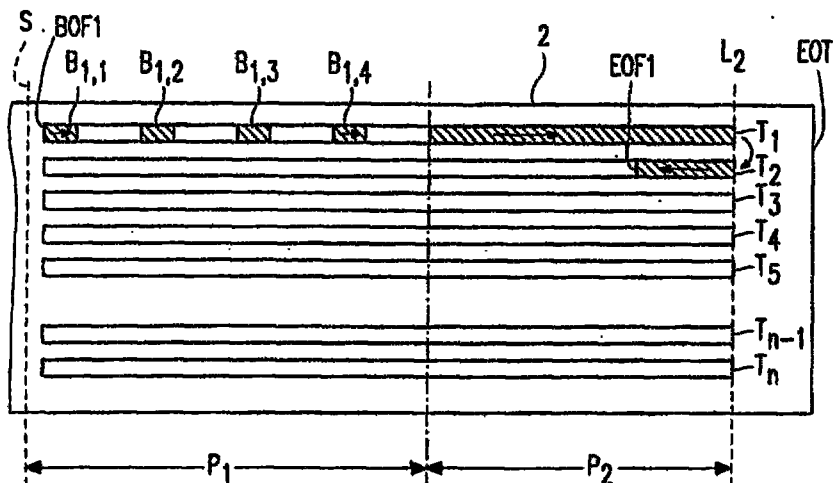




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(54) Title: APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF RECORDING INFORMATION SIGNALS ON A RECORD CARRIER

**(57) Abstract**

An apparatus for recording information signals in a track (T_i) on a record carrier (2) is disclosed, comprising an input terminal (30) for receiving an information signal, a signal processing unit (32) for processing the information signal so as to make the information signal suitable for recording in at least one track on said record carrier, and a writing unit (33) for writing, after processing, the information signal in said at least one track on said record carrier, starting from a start position (s) viewed in the length direction of the record carrier and in a direction towards one of the end positions of the record carrier. The portion of the record carrier (2) between said start position (s) and said one end position (L_2) is fictitiously divided into a first sub portion lying (P_1) adjacent the start position and a second sub portion (P_2) lying adjacent the end position of the record carrier. When recording a first information signal, a first portion of a first information signal is recorded by intermittently recording blocks of information ($B_{1,1}$, $B_{1,2}$, $B_{1,3}$, ...) in said track (T_1) in said first subportion (P_1) of the record carrier, starting from said start position (s). A second portion of the said first information signal is continuously recorded in said second subportion of the record carrier.