Abstract of the Disclosure

An optical data storage system **100** utilizes optical fibers **102** for transfer of information to and from storage media **107**. The storage media **107** comprises magneto-optical storage disks. The optical fibers **102** are low-birefringence optical fibers. As compared to the prior art, a polarization state conveyed by the optical fiber **102** is accurately reproduced with reduced noise.



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