

## IN THE CLAIMS

Each claim of the application is set forth below with a parenthetical notation immediately following the claim number indicating the claim status. The Examiner's entry of the claim amendments under Section 1.121 is respectfully requested.

1. (previously presented) An audio system responsive to a source of audio programming, the audio system comprising:

a master amplifier connected to the source of audio programming, the master amplifier providing channelized amplified audio signals at each one of a plurality of channel output connectors;

a signal splitter connected to at least one of the plurality of channel output connectors for splitting the channelized amplified audio signal at a selected one of the plurality of channel output connectors into an audio channel signal and a power signal;

a channel transmit module responsive to the audio channel signal and the power signal for transmitting the audio channel signal;

a channel receiver responsive to an intended audio channel signal;

a channel amplifier connected to an associated channel receiver for amplifying the intended audio channel signal; and

a sound reproducing device connected to the channel amplifier for aurally reproducing the intended audio channel signal.

2. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 1 the transmit module transmitting the audio channel signal as radio frequency signals or as optical signals.

3. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 1 wherein the signal splitter and the transmit module are enclosed in a single enclosure.

4. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 1 wherein the channelized amplified audio signals from the master amplifier maintain a relative audio level between each one of the channelized amplified audio signals.

5. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 1 further comprising a power module interposed between the signal splitter and the transmit module, the power module comprising:

a transformer responsive to the power signal from the signal splitter;

a rectifier connected to the transformer;

a charging circuit connected to the rectifier, the charging circuit supplying a modified power signal to the transmit module; and

an energy storage device responsive to the modified power signal for supplying power to the charging circuit as needed.

6. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 5 wherein the energy storage device comprises a capacitor, a battery or another energy device for storing energy.

7. (previously presented) The audio system of claim 1 further comprising a plurality of signal splitters, a like plurality of channel transmit modules, a like plurality of channel receivers, a like plurality of channel amplifiers and a like plurality of sound reproducing devices each of the like plurality of channel receivers responsive to a different audio channel signal.

8. (withdrawn) A transmit module responsive to a master amplifier that is responsive to a source of audio programming, the master amplifier providing channelized amplified audio signals at each one of a plurality of channel output connectors, the transmit module comprising:

a connector for physically connecting the transmit module to one of the plurality of channel output connectors for providing a selected channelized amplified audio signal to the transmit module;

a signal splitter for splitting the selected channelized amplified audio signal into an audio channel signal and a first power signal;

a power module responsive to the first power signal for providing a second power signal; and

a transmitter responsive to the audio channel signal and deriving power from the second power signal, the transmitter transmitting the audio channel signal to a channel receiver.

9. (withdrawn) The transmit module of claim 8 wherein the power module comprises:

a transformer responsive to the first power signal from the signal splitter;

a rectifier connected to the transformer;

a charging circuit connected to the rectifier, the charging circuit supplying the second power signal to the transmitter; and

an energy storage device responsive to the second power signal for supplying power to the charging circuit as needed.

10. (withdrawn) The transmit module of claim 9 wherein the energy storage device comprises a capacitor, a battery or another device capable of storing energy.