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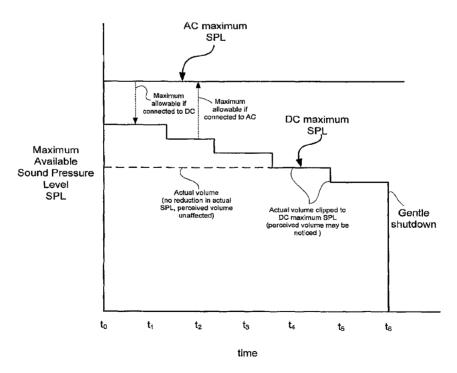
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(57) Abstract: A consumer electronic product (e.g., a portable media player ported to a media delivery accessory) is powered by a limited capacity DC power source (such as a battery or mini-fuel cell). The consumer electronic product limits the maximum allowable sound pressure level (SPL) that can be produced by the speakers. In one embodiment, the maximum allowable SPL is based upon an amount of stored energy available in the limited capacity DC power source.

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Method and product for shutting down a media delivery system or change the maximum allowable SPL based on the charge status of the internal power supply.

2. claims: 5-9, 18-21, 38-42

Method and product for generating a shutdown signal if the downward going voltage crosses a threshold and a subsequent upward going voltage does not re-cross the threshold voltage level in a predetermined length of time.

3. claims: 26-33

Method of shutting down a consumer electronic product comprising: muting an audio amplifier and providing user feedback.

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