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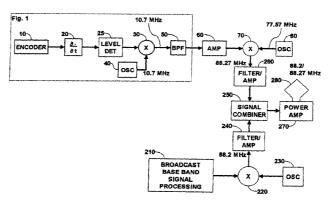
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(57) Abstract: An FM broadcast transmitter (Fig. 5) transmits a broadcast signal having a carrier at a broadcast frequency and sidebands, able to be transmitted at full power, within a transmission bandwidth around the carrier. It includes a source of a modulated FM stereo signal having a carrier at the broadcast frequency and having sidebands with a bandwidth less than the trnasmission bandwidth representing a stereo signal. It also includes a source of a modulated IBOC signal, having carrier pulses spaced relative to each other to represent the IBOC digital data signal encoded as a variable pulse width encoded signal, and a bandwidth within the transmission bandwidth not overlapping the FM stereo signal sidebands. A signal combiner combines the modulated FM stereo signal and the modulated IBOC signal to form the broadcast signal. An FM broadcast receiver (Fig. 6) receives a broadcast signal including a first modulated signal representing an FM stereo signal, and a second modulated signal, having carrier pulses spaced relative to each other to represent an in-band-on-channel (IBOC) digital data signal encoded as a variable pulse width encoded signal. It includes a signal separator for generating a first separated signal representing the FM stereo signal and a second separated signal representing the IBOC digital data signal. An FM signal processor generates a stereo audio signal represented by the FM stereo signal. An IBOC signal processor generates a digital data signal represented by the IBOC digital data signal.

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