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(57) Abstract

Recording apparatus for recording in a track on an optical information carrier (6) a first channel signal CS1 representing a main information signal, a second channel signal CS2 representing a cue information signal and a third channel signal CS3 representing a sub information signal, said main information signal comprising at least one programme item and said cue information signal comprising for said at least one programme item an indication of its location on said track, the recording apparatus comprising means (1) for receiving the main information signal, the cue information signal and the sub information signal; means (2) for encoding the main information signal, providing said first channel signal; means (3) for encoding the cue information signal, providing said second channel signal; means (4) for encoding the sub information signal, providing said third channel signal carrying sub information packs in substantially non-interleaved form, by generating sub information packs, comprising data from said sub information signal plus data for error detection and correction thereof, in substantially non-interleaved form; means (5) for writing the first channel signal in a main information area of said track on the information carrier and for writing the second channel signal and the third channel signal in a lead-in area of said track preceding the main information area.

