

Abstract

The invention provides a surround sound speaker system for enhancing the spatial surround sound from a stereo system that has existing front left and right speaker boxes located in a listening area having a front (4), a rear (7), and left (5) and right (6) sides, said surround sound speaker system having:

a left side speaker box (15) for location on the left side of said listening area about half way between the front and the rear of said listening area, left side switching means (20a), for selectively switching a speaker driver of the left side speaker box to a pair of the left positive (10), left negative (11), and right positive (13) of the speaker outputs of the channels of an amplifier (1) of said stereo system, to allow alternative selective pair connections of output signals from the left positive (10), left negative (11) and right positive channels (13);

a right side speaker box (16) for location on the right side of said listening area about half way between the front and the rear of said listening area, right side switching means (20b) for selectively switching a speaker driver of the right side speaker box (16) to a pair of the right positive (13), right negative (12) and left positive (10) of the speaker outputs of channels of said amplifier (1), to allow alternative selective pair connections of signals from the right positive, right negative and left positive channels; and

a rear speaker box (17) for location to the rear of said listening area, a speaker driver thereof being connectable to the speaker outputs of the left (10) and right (13) positive channels of said amplifier (1),

whereby all of said speaker boxes are, in use, interconnectable to provide a spatial surround sound field in said listening area, and wherein different spatial surround fields can be obtained by switching said left side switching means (20a) and said right side switching

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means (20b) to provide different pairs of connections of the loud speakers of the left side speaker box (15) and the right side speaker box (16).

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