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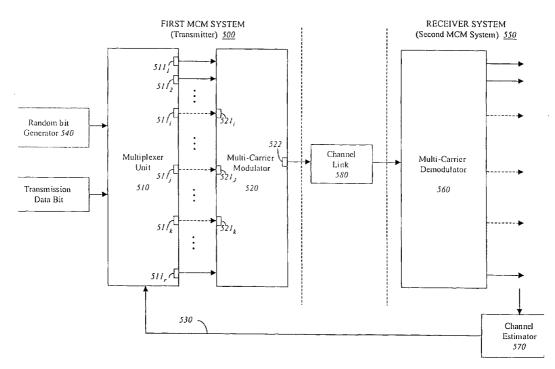
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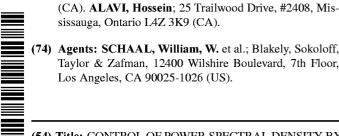
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(57) Abstract: A method is described for mitigating power spectral density irregularities in a multi-carrier modulation environment. The method involves identifying at least one carrier of a plurality of carriers that is in a non-data bearing state. Thereafter, that carrier is modulated with random data.





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