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[54] TIME-VARYING MAXIMUM-TRANSITION-RUN CODES FOR DATA CHANNELS

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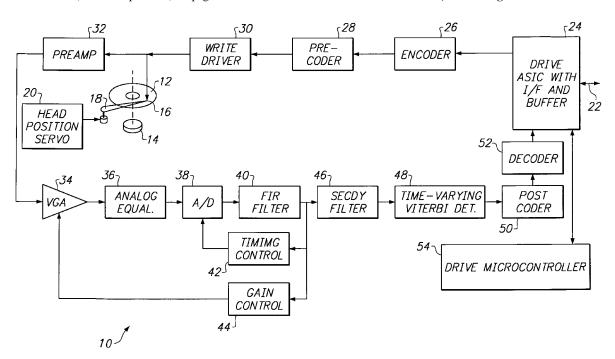
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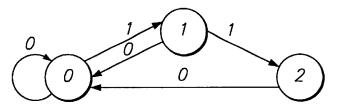
[57] ABSTRACT

A data channel, such as a magnetic recording/playback channel implements a time-varying maximum-transition-run code such that the code allows three consecutive transitions while it removes a dominant plus-minus-plus error-event and does not permit of four or more consecutive transitions.

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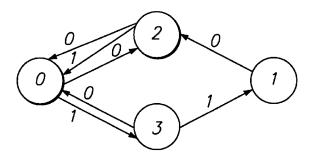






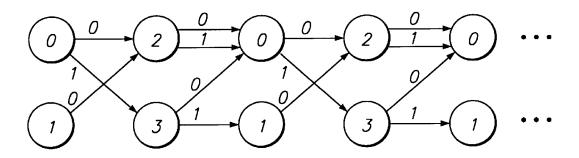
The MTR constraint graph with capacity 0.8792 using NRZI notation.

FIG. 1



Time-varying MTR constraint graph with capacity 0.9162 using NRZI notation.

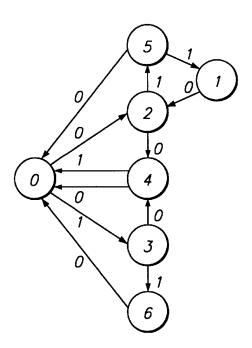
FIG. 2



Time-varying MTR trellis with period 2.

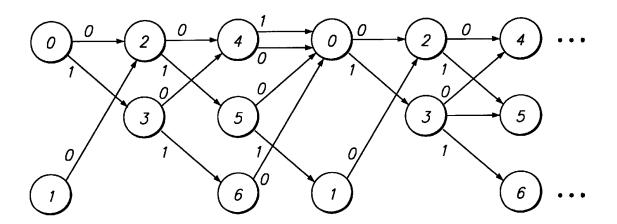
FIG. 3





Time-varying MTR constraint graph with capacity 0.9032 using NRZI notation.

FIG. 4



Time-varying MTR trellis with period 3.

FIG. 5

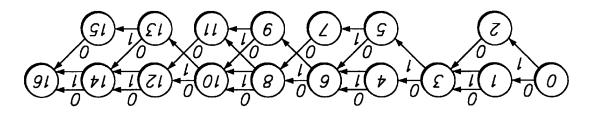


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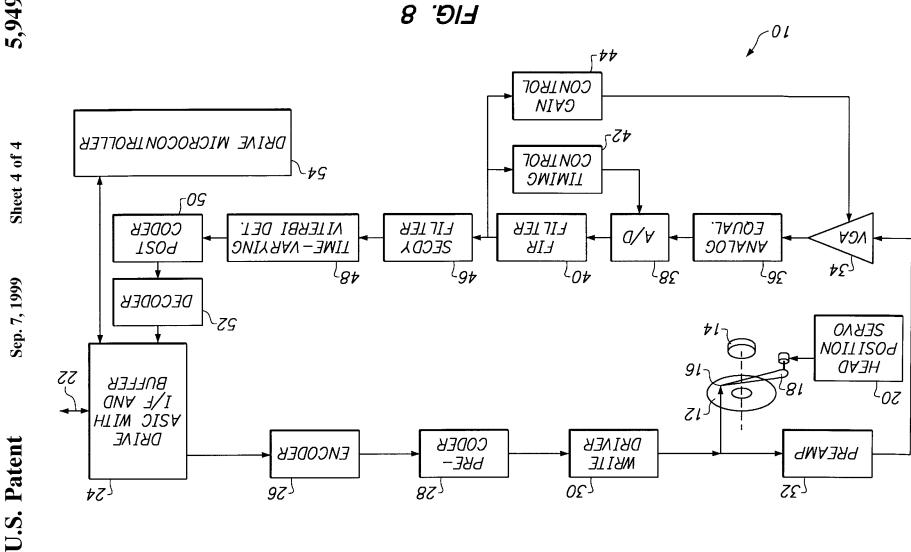
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