

Title (en)
TELEVISION SYSTEM ADAPTED TO FUNCTION AS SERVER FOR DISTRIBUTING BROADCASTED STAND-ALONE APPLICATIONS

Title (de)
FERNSEHSYSTEM DAS ALS SERVER FUNKTIONIERT, ZUR VERTEILUNG VON ÜBERTRAGENEN EIGENSTÄNDIGEN ANWENDUNGEN

Title (fr)
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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO0111869A1] A television system that is configured to function as a server for distributing broadcasted stand-alone applications to an external device. The broadcasted stand-alone application can be included in a broadcast program video signal or in a data stream broadcast over a dedicated data delivery channel. In a presently contemplated implementation, the broadcasted stand-alone application is a Java applet and the external device is Java-enabled. In one embodiment, the television system stores the stand-alone application prior to transmission to the external device, and displays application identification information sufficient to inform a viewer of different stand-alone applications that are available for downloading to the external device. The television system also preferably provides a mechanism for enabling the viewer to select any one or more of the different stand-alone applications that are available for downloading to the external device. In a particularly contemplated embodiment, the external device is an intelligent remote controller, e.g., the Philips "Pronto" iRCD.

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