

'014 Patent, Claim 25	'949 Patent, Claim 1
25. An apparatus for controlling a plurality of players , the apparatus comprising:	1. A multimedia controller including a processor, the controller configured to:
displaying on a screen a first list showing at least available players ;	
displaying a zone group including players from the available players when at least two of the available players are selected to form the zone group, wherein any one of the players in the group serves as a zone group head;	provide a user interface for a player group, wherein the player group includes a plurality of players in a local area network, and wherein each player is an independent playback device configured to playback a multimedia output from a multimedia source;
synchronizing all players in the zone group in accordance with the zone group head; and	accept via the user interface an input to facilitate formation of the player group, wherein the input to facilitate formation of the player group indicates that at least two of the plurality of players in the local area network are to be included in the player group for synchronized playback of a multimedia output from the same multimedia source;
	for any individual player in the player group, accept via the user interface a player-specific input to adjust a volume of that individual player , wherein the player-specific input to adjust the volume of that individual player causes that individual player to adjust its volume; and
adjusting a volume meter represented by an averaged value of audio volumes of the players in the group, wherein said adjusting of the volume meter includes changing a volume of each of the group of players synchronously in accordance with an adjustment made by a user.	accept via the user interface a group-level input to adjust a volume associated with the player group, wherein the group-level input to adjust the volume associated with the player group causes each of the players in the player group to adjust its respective volume.