## TRUE vs. SYNTHESIZED 4-CHANNEL SOUND

## -Very Important Data for All Music Lovers-

FOUR-CHANNEL SOUND MEANS: four discrete (different) sound sources at both the program (FM radio, tape, records) and the playback ends. "True" 4-channel sound thus requires true 4-channel program material and, at the playback end, 4 channels of reproduction—4 amplifiers and 4 speakers. The Realistic /E-V system is TRUE 4-channel sound!

SYNTHESIZED 4-CHANNEL SOUND MEANS: a method by which regular 2-channel stereo can be electronically processed to apparently make each of four speakers sound a little unlike each other, creating a "4-channel effect" without requiring either four channels of discrete program information or four channels of amplification. Allied Radio Shack will offer a 4-channel synthesizer, as will others, but we will not claim it to be genuine 4-channel stereo.

FOUR-CHANNEL SOUND: during the early days of hi-fi, the sound was "monophonic"—one channel of sound, one amplifier, one speaker. Stereophonic hi-fi was introduced about 12 years ago and completely revolutionized music listening: it required 2 of everything. We are now certain that 4-channel ("quadraphonic") sound is an audio break-

through of even greater significance. It adds "cineramic" dimension and realism in a way that 2-channel stereo just can't do. It produces 360-degree "surround sound" without beaming or source-locating effect. It's the closest thing yet to actually being "there"—at the nightclub, theatre, or whatever. And there is even more good news.

A TOTALLY COMPATIBLE SYSTEM IS HERE: the Realistic/E-V system—commonly known as the "Electro-Voice Stereo-4" system—does NOT obsolete any equipment now used by stereo broadcasters, stereo tape and record makers, or stereo listeners! By the addition of an "encoder" at the program source (recording studio, FM station, etc.) and a Stereo-4 "decoder" at the system end—both low in cost and NOW in wide use nationwide—two things are achieved: (1) encoded programming which is compatible even with non-decoded listening, and (2) synthesized enhancement of regular 2-channel record and tapes and FM-stereo.

## You can adapt your present stereo system to 4-CHANNEL Sound at very low cost... NOW or later!

Just add a Stereo-4 adapter, a second amplifier, and two more speakers. You will be ready for any kind of 4-channel sound—true or synthesized! Nothing you own is obsoleted. Regular stereo is greatly enhanced. And Stereo-4 FM broadcasts are NOW on the air in many cities and Stereo-4 records are here TODAY—100% compatible with non-adapted systems.





