

Title (en)

Apparatus for operating discharge lamp.

Title (de)

Apparat zum Einschalten von einer Entladungslampe.

Title (fr)

Appareil pour l'opération d'une lampe à décharge.

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Abstract (en)

In an apparatus for operating discharge lamp of this invention, a DC output frequency supplied from a DC power source (12) can be varied by a high-frequency generator (20) and is supplied to a discharge lamp (241, 242). The ON state of the discharge lamp (241, 242) is detected by an ON detector (34). The output frequency of the high-frequency generator (20) is controlled such that a soft-start circuit (30) generates an output lower than that for normal ON operation of the discharge lamp (241, 242) during a start operation. At the same time, the output frequency of the high-frequency generator (20) is varied down to a level for the normal ON operation. When the ON detector (34) detects the ON operation of the discharge lamp (241, 242) the output frequency of the high-frequency generator (20) is switched to a level for the normal ON operation by a soft-start release circuit (32). <IMAGE>

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