

Title (en)

Circuit for operating electrical lamps

Title (de)

Schaltungsanordnung zum Betrieb elektrischer Lampen

Title (fr)

Circuit d'alimentation de lampes électriques

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP0648068A1] The invention relates to a circuit arrangement for operating electric lamps, in particular fluorescent lamps. The circuit according to the invention preferably comprises a free-running half-bridge inverter 2, 3 which is provided with a disconnecting device which disconnects the inverter in the case of a faulty lamp L by cutting off the control signal from a transistor 3 of the half-bridge. The disconnecting device contains as essential elements a field effect transistor 23 which is connected in parallel with the control electrode of the transistor 3, a bistable multivibrator 17, 18 which drives the gate of the field effect transistor 23, and a threshold-value switch 26 which resets the bistable multivibrator 17, 18 in the case of a faulty lamp L, leading to the field effect transistor 23 switching on and thus the inverter being disconnected. <IMAGE>

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