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(54) Circuit arrangement.

(57) The invention relates to a circuit arrangement for operating a discharge lamp (4). The circuit arrangement is provided with a DC-AC converter (3) and with a starter circuit (5) for starting the DC-AC converter. The starter circuit comprises means (50, 52, 53) for generating starting pulses through charging of capacitive means (50). According to the invention, the starter circuit comprises discharging means (51) for discharging the capacitive means, and disconnecting means (54) for keeping the starter circuit disconnected. It is achieved in this way that the starter circuit can generate starting pulses in quick succession, so that the luminous flux of the lamp becomes controllable over a wide range.

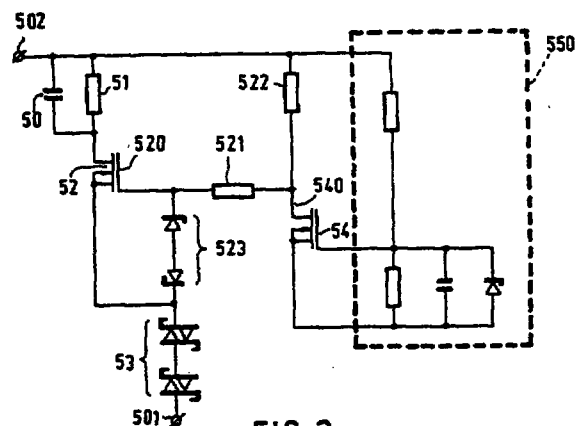


FIG. 2

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