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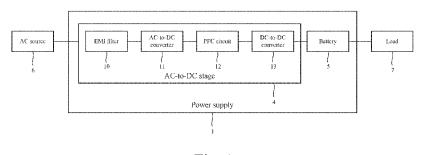


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A power supply (1) comprising input terminals for connection to an AC source (6), output terminals for connection to a load (7), an AC-to-DC stage (4), and a battery (5). The AC-to-DC stage (4) and the battery (5) are connected in parallel between the input terminals and the output terminals. The power supply operates in either a first mode or a second mode. When operating in the first mode, the load draws current from the battery only. When operating in the second mode, the load draws current from both the battery and the AC-to-DC stage. More specifically, when operating in the second mode, the AC-to-DC stage draws an input current from the AC source and outputs an output current having a waveform that is periodic with a frequency twice that of the input current and a ripple of at least 50%. The current drawn by the load is then greater than the current output by the AC-to-DC stage during first periods, and is less than the current output by the AC-to-DC stage during second periods. The load draws current from the battery and the AC-to-DC stage during the first periods such that the battery discharges, and the load and the battery each draw current from the AC-to-DC stage during the second periods such that the battery charges.





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