Design of Off-grid Solar PV system

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Objektif Latihan

Kesedaran (awareness)

Mengenali asas Tenaga Boleh Baharu (TBB) – Renewable Energy

Memahami asas teknologi Solar PV – teori, operasi & pengujian

Merekabentuk sistem solar PV offgrid



KANDUNGAN KURSUS



- Asas Kejuruteraan
 Sistem Solar PV
- Off-Grid solar PV





1. Pengenalan Tenaga Boleh Baharu (TBB)

- Senario tenaga global
- Sumber & teknologi TBB;

3. Latih amal

- Latihan pengiraan & rekabentuk
- Latihan (Individu & berkumpulan
- Hands-on
- Case study



CHAPTER 1 - Review on Renewable Energy System Technology



> The world energy demand is still dependent on fossil fuel base energy generation

- ➤ Gas & oil
- ➤ Coal

Diesel



	Capacity (MW)					
Resources	Peninsul ar	Sabah	Sarawak	Total		
Oil and gas	11,988.4	1,034.2	608	13,630.6		
Coal	7,056.0	-	480	7,536.0		
Hydro	1,899.1	76.9	2,496	4,472.0		
Diesel	-	487.3	163	650.3		
Other renewable energy	234.2	52.0	-	286.2		
Total installed capacity	21,177.7	1,650.4	3,747	26,575.1		

■ Oil & Gas ■ Coal ■ Hydro ■ Diesel ■ Renewable Energy



Source : Energy Commission of Malaysia, KeTTHA, SEDA



Pengenalan Tenaga Boleh Baharu / Renewable Energy

Energy Emission Overview

Every day we damage our climate by using fossil fuels for energy & transport

> Malaysia emitted 208 mill. tonnes of CO_2 or 7.1 tonnes per capita in 2009

> Projected total emissions – 285.73 mill tonnes CO_2 (2020). Largest emitting sector – electricity generation (43.4%)

centralised energy infrastructures waste more than two thirds of their energy

61.5 units LOST THROUGH INEFFICIENT GENERATION AND HEAT WASTAGE



13 units WASTED THROUGH WEFFICIENT END USE



100 units >> ENERGY WITHIN FOSSIL FUEL



38.5 units >>

Source : Energy Revolution, Greenpeace







 Fossil fuel based energy will be depleted by time

- Malaysia's energy reserve

- Oil reserve of three billion barrels. Crude oil production 750,000 barrel/day
- Natural gas produced 80,000 barrels/day, with 2.12 trillion cubic meter reserves
- The current reserve amount for oil may last for 19 years & natural gas for 33 years







Global Issues

• Fluctuation of global oil price



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- World population growth requires more energy
- Environmental pollution





Environmental Effect

> Green House Gasses

Global warming & climate change

World Carbon Dioxide Emissions by Region, Reference Case, 1990-2030







Malaysia

• Annual CO2 emission (2008) = 208,267,000 metric tons (0.7% of world emission)

• Annual CO2 emission per capita (2009) = 7.1 metric tons per capita (not including land use)



cimdle change







The earth needs to be healed....

• Sustainable energy is the answer...







Definition of Renewable Energy

Renewable Energy (RE) is any form of primary energy from recurring and non-depleting indigenous resources such as agricultural produce, hydro-power, solar, wind, solid-waste, etc.





Renewable energy technology

• Solar Energy



Solar Photovoltaic

Major applications :

- 1) Electricity
- 2) Heat



Solar Thermal



Convert solar radiation into electric power



Maximum irradiance that can reach earth surface is ~1,000 W/m2



Global irradiation

Global irradiance worldwide





Irradiance in Malaysia



Average daily irradiation at 4 – 5 kWh/m²



Solar Photovoltaic fundamental









20 MWp, Pilgrove Township, New Jersey





40 MWp, Waldpolenz, German

80 MWp, Revigo, Italy



999 kWp, Stadium Verona, Italy



8 MWp at Cypark, Pajam



Solar Home System in Laos (Source: www.unep.org)



Convert solar radiation into thermal power (heat)





Solar thermal power plant



technological development



Persian wind mill



15th century wind mill



french wind mill Ardenne



new dutch wind mill



modern wind mill



Wind turbine evolution







7.5 MW Wind Turbine



Off shore Wind Farm



Vertical wind turbine



- Any organic matter (excluding fossil fuels), that was or is a living organism available on renewable basis and can potentially be used as fuels
- A product of photosynthesis and is a carbon, hydrogen & oxygen based







Major Biomass resources in Malaysia

Oil palm, Wood, Paddy, Sugarcane, Municipal waste





- Micro / Mini hydro
 - Environmental benign
 - -Low cost
 - Best for isolated communities

- A. Intake
- B. Power canal/conduit
- C. Penstock
- D. Powerhouse
- E. Tailrace
- F. Electrical Transmission Line
- G. Transformer House
- H. Village/Longhouse





Geothermal











Other RE resources

- Hydrogen
 - Main source:
 - Water
 - Crude oil
 - Biomass
 - Expected to be the main primary energy in the future









Benewable Energy in Malaysia

Development of Energy Policies in Malaysia

National Petroleum Policy (1975)

National Energy Policy (1979)

National Depletion Policy (1980)

4-Fuel Diversification Policy (1981)

5-Fuel Policy (2001)

RE Policy and Action Plan (2010)



Renewable Energy: Government Policies



2nd April 2010: National Renewable Energy Policy & Action Plan approved
10th Jun 2010: 10th Malaysia Plan (chapter 6)
15th Oct 2010: National Budget 2011 (paragraph 34)
25th Oct 2010: Economic Transformation Programme (chapter 6)

Renewable energy will increase from ${<}1\%$ in 2009 to 5.5% of Malaysia's total electricity generated by 2015



RE investments will receive a huge push through FiT

- Introduction of Feed-in Tariff (FiT) of 1% to be incorporated into the electricity tariffs of consumers
- Establishment of a Renewable Energy
 Fund from the FiT to be administered by a special agency under KeTTHA
- This provides an annual CO₂ avoidance of 3.2 million tonnes

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Malaysian National RE Policy

Policy Statement:

• Enhancing the utilisation of indigenous renewable energy resources to contribute towards national electricity supply security and sustainable socioeconomic development

Objectives:

- To increase RE contribution in the national power generation mix;
- To facilitate the growth of the RE industry;
- To ensure reasonable RE generation costs;
- To conserve the environment for future generation; and
- To enhance awareness on the role and importance of RE.



National RE Targets

Year	Cumulative RE Capacity	RE Power Mix	Cumulative CO ₂ avoided
2015	985 MW	5.5%	11.1 mt
2020	2,080 MW	11%	42.2 mt
2030	4,000 MW	17%	145.1 mt

Note: RE capacity achievements are dependent on the size of RE fund

• Assumptions:

> Feed-in Tariff (FiT) implemented

FEED-IN TARIFF

Sources: www.seda.gov.my



Concept of the Feed-in Tariff (FiT)

- A mechanism that allows electricity produced from indigenous RE resources to be sold to power utilities at a fixed premium price and for specific duration.
 - ✓ Provides a conducive and secured investment environment
 - Enable to make financial institutions be comfortable in providing loan with longer period (>15 years)
 - ✓ Provides incentives to RE producers as it only pays for electricity produced
 - $\,\circ\,$ promotes system owner to install good quality & maintain the system
 - \circ Provides fixed revenue stream for installed system
- degression annual reduction of tariffs for FiT rates for each technology/ RE source
 - $\checkmark\,$ Promotes reduction of RE costs
 - \checkmark Higher portfolio in energy mix



FiT Implementation: Accounts & Payments



2 separate accounts with TNB &

2 separate contracts :

- Consumption Meter Electricity consumption bill : consumer pays to TNB for kWh electricity consumed.
- Generation Meter -FiT bill: TNB pays to consumer for gross kWh electricity generated.

Net Energy Meter (NEM) launched on 1st November 2016

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Feed-in Tariff Rates

Technology / Source	FiT Duration	Range of FiT Rates (RM/kWh)	Annual Degression
Biomass (palm oil waste, agro based)	16	0.27 – 0.35	0.5%
Biogas (palm oil waste, agro based, farming)	16	0.28 – 0.35	0.5%
Mini Hydro	21	0.23 – 0.24	0%
Solar PV	21	0.85 – 1.78	8%
Solid waste & Sewage	16	0.37 – 0.45	1.8%



JKR involvement in BE





- > Technical advisor & project management
 - Involved in several rural area electrification programs using Solar PV system
 - Rural Electrification Program using Solar Hybrid System for rural schools in Sabah, Malaysia
 - ✓ Total of 142 schools that were isolated from the electricity grid network in Sabah, were installed with Solar Photovoltaic Hybrid System



 The system consists of Solar Photovoltaic (PV) as the primary energy source, diesel generator as the backup energy generation and batteries as the energy storage system



- The project started in 2007 with:
 - ✤ 78 schools for Phase 1 ;
 - ✤ 84 schools for Phase 2 (2009)





JKR involvement in RE...cont'd

> Solar Hybrid System info

No.	Description	Project phase 1	Project Phase 2
1	Total Project Cost	RM300mil.	RM365mil.
2	Total install capacity (solar PV)	1,585.65kW	1,910kW
3	Total No. of School	78 schools	84 school







JKR involvement in RE...cont'd

Challenges & Risks



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CHAPTER 2 : Fundamental of solar PV system

Renewable energy technology

• Solar Energy



Solar Photovoltaic

Major applications :

1) Electricity

2) Heat



Solar Thermal



Availability of Solar Energy



Irradiance & irradiation

Irradiance

The **power** per **unit area** received from the Sun in the form of electromagnetic radiation in the wavelength range of the measuring instrument.



Unit of irradiation in Wh/m²

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Wavelength (nm)



Peak Sun Hour (PSH)

The number of hour solar irradiance at 1,000Wm⁻² gives the equivalent amount of solar irradiation (H) for the day





Location	Irradiation (Wh/m²/day)
Α	2,580
В	4,660
С	4,090
D	4,150
E	5,380

- 1) Calculate the PSH at each location
- Calculate the annual (365 days) energy generation of 10 kWp solar PV system at each location, assuming irradiation is constant everyday and consider no losses

$$E_{PV_{annual}} = P_{PV} X \frac{H}{G_{stc}} X 365$$
days



Geographic Coordinate System



- > Main lines/latitude of reference:
- Malaysia:
 - Latitude: 1^0 to 7^0 N
 - Longitude : 99^o to 120^o E



Earth geography





Describing Location of the Sun

- > Azimuth horizontal angle of sun east or west of due south
- Elevation / altitude angle of sun above the horizon
- Zenith angle angle of the sun measured from vertical
- Azimuth and altitude describe the location of the sun in the sky at a given time.



Azim

West . 90W

South . 0



Availability of Solar Energy...cont'd

Global irradiation



Average daily irradiation at $4 - 5 \text{ kWh/m}^2$

- Malaysia is entirely equatorial
- Average solar radiation ~ 4.5 kWh per square meter per day. Highest solar radiation in Sabah region
- Average sunshine at 12 hours daily the whole year



Availability of Solar Energy...cont'd

Annual irradiation in Peninsular & Borneo



PV Energy Yield: KL (1,200 kWh/kWp/Yr) = 1.3 x Germany



Availability of Solar Energy

• How to quantify solar radiation?





pyranometer

Solar cell sensor



Tilt angle of solar collector

> Tilt angle is the angle between a collector plane and the ground plane





- Photovoltaic Effect
 - photo = light; voltaic = produces voltage
 - Photovoltaic (PV) systems convert light directly into electricity (using semiconductors)





Solar Photovoltaic fundamental



- Usually produced with semiconductor grade Silicon
- Dopants create positive and negative regions
- P/N junction results in 0.5 volts per cell
- Wire grid provides path for current



PV Terminology







PV System Sizing:

4 kWp PV system: means that 4,000 watts (4 kW) is the MAXIMUM it will produce in full sunlight, ie at 1,000 W/m², 25°C & 1.5 Air Mass



Types of Solar PV cell

• Crystalline Silicon PV



Mono crystalline

Polycrystalline

- Firm, like crystals
- Longest track record, over 50 years
- Most common, over 85% of the market
- Highest efficiencies: avg. 15%, up to 22%

Thin-Film PV

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- Can be applied on many different materials
- Longevity still to be proven
- Production growing at high rate
- Lower efficiencies: avg. 7%, up to 15%
- Has potential for big cost reduction
- Requires about 200 sf. per kilowatt
- Others like Hetero-junction intrinsic thin layer (HIT), Organic etc....mostly still in early research & manufacturing stage



Types of Solar PV cell...cont'd

Cell Technology	Crystalline Silicon	Thin Film
Types of Technology	 <u>Mono-crystalline silicon (c-Si)</u> <u>Poly-crystalline silicon (pc-Si/mc-Si)</u> 	 <u>Amorphous silicon (a-Si)</u> Cadmium Telluride (CdTe) <u>Copper Indium Gallium Selenide</u> (CIG/ CIGS) Organic photovoltaic (OPV/ DSC/ DYSC)
Temperature Coefficients	Higher	Lower (Lower is beneficial at high ambient temperatures)
Module construction	With Anodized Aluminum	Frameless, sandwiched between glass; lower cost, lower weight
Module efficiency	14% - 22%	4% - 12%
Required Area	Industry standard	May require up to %50 more space for a given project size
Example Brands	<u>Kyocera, Evergreen,</u> <u>Sanyo, Schuco,</u> <u>Canadian Solar, Sharp,</u> <u>Yingli, ET Solar, Solon, Schott,</u> <u>Conergy, REC, Solarworld</u>	First Solar, <u>Solyndra, UniSolar</u> , Konarka, Dye Solar, Bosch Solar, Sharp, Abound Solar

Thin-film needs about twice as much space for the same-size system.



Datasheets

- The electrical ratings of a PV module are normally rated at a Standard Test Conditions (STC), i.e. the PV module has been tested under this condition
- > The STC refers to
 - Irradiance of 1,000 Wm⁻²
 - Cell temperature of 25 deg C
 - Solar spectrum of Air Mass (AM) 1.5 (48.2°)
- The electrical ratings of a PV module are also sometimes rated at Nominal Operating Cell Temperature (NOCT) conditions, i.e. the PV module has been tested under several conditions.
- > The NOCT conditions refer to:
 - Irradiance of 800 Wm-2
 - Ambient temperature of 20 deg C
 - Solar spectrum of Air Mass (AM) 1.5
 - Wind speed of 1.0 ms⁻¹



Characterization of PV modules

- A PV module is characterized based on current-voltage performance of the string (s) of solar cells on the PV module
- The current-voltage performance is characterized using an I-V curve and power curve
- The I-V curve and power curve are valid at a particular irradiance and cell temperature only



Legend :

 P_{mp} = Maximum power in W V_{oc} = Open circuit voltage in V V_{mp} = Voltage at maximum power in V I_{sc} = Short circuit current in A I_{mn} = Current at maximum power in A



Characterization of PV modules

- > Fill Factor (FF) represents the degree of squareness of the IV curve
- > The FF of a PV module or string is an important performance indicator

$$FF = I_{\frac{mp}{sc}} \times V_{mp}$$



 V_{oc} = Open circuit voltage in V V_{mp} = Voltage at maximum power in V I_{sc} = Short circuit current in A I_{mp} = Current at maximum power in A



Characterization of PV modules

 \succ Efficiency, η represents the efficiency

$$P = I_{mp} \times V_{mp} = P_{mp}$$

Where :

 P_{mp} = Maximum power in W V_{mp} = Voltage at maximum power in V

 I_{mp} = Current at maximum power in A

 $G = Irradiance in Wm^{-2} at STC (1,000 W/m^2)$

A = Area of solar PV module in m^2



Efficiency of a solar PV modules only describes the ability of the module to produce maximum power at its surface area at STC level ($G = 1,000 \text{ W/m}^2$). It should not be used as the only parameter in determining the quality of the module.



- Refer to datasheet solar PV module:
 - Determine FF of the module
 - Determine efficiency of the module
 - Base on the efficiency of the modules, what can you summarize?



Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

Array Configuration

- PV modules can be electrically inter-connected to form a string or array:
 - String: consists of several PV modules being electrically connected in series
 - Array: consists of one or more than one PV string(s)







String



Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

Array Configuration



Illustration of string and array



Operational Issues

- The output performance of a PV module depends on several factors such as:
 - Irradiance falling on the solar cells
 - Temperature of solar cells


Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

Operational Issues



I-V curve of a PV module at different levels of irradiance



Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

Operational Issues



I-V curve of a PV module at different cell temperatures

Photovoltaic (PV) System



- Classified according to:
 - Functional & operational requirements
 - Component configurations
 - Connection to other power sources & electrical loads
- 2 Main categories:
 - Grid Connected (GCPV)
 - \checkmark Operate interconnected (in parallel) with the utility grid
 - Stand-alone (SAPV)
 - ✓ Operate interconnected of the utility grid, includes hybrid system



Off-grid PV (OGPV)



- Features of off-grid solar PV (OGPV) Systems:
- Not connected to the electric utility grid
- Designed to operate independent of the electric utility grid
- Commonly installed in remote locations with no utility grid
- Supply DC and/or AC electrical load
- Inverter is used for AC load
- Can be configured in several ways, such as direct coupled system or hybrid system



Configuration of a direct-coupled OGPV System

- Simplest type of SAPV system, common application include water pump and fans
- DC load is directly connected to a PV array, no energy storage
- No overcurrent device typically required



OGPV System with battery storage

- PV array charges battery which supplies power to DC electrical loads as needed
- Without charge control, battery is susceptible to overcharge and over discharge.
- Charge control may only be eliminated under special circumstances the load is well defined and the battery is oversized.





OGPV System with battery storage & Charge Control

- Charge Control Charge control is required whenever the load is variable and the battery is not oversized.
- Protects the battery from overcharge and over discharge, and may provide load control functions.
- Charge controllers manage interactions and energy flows between a PV array, battery bank, and electrical load.





System Configuration...cont'd

OGPV Hybrid System

- One or more energy sources are used in addition to the PV generator
- Common hybrid sources used in off-grid PV systems include engine generators, wind turbines, small hydro and fuel cells
- Reliance on any single generating source is reduced, battery storage capacity and size of PV array can be minimized
- > Hybrid PV systems are often the least costly for remote power applications.





System Configuration...cont'd

AC Couple vs DC Couple

AC Couple System Diagram



- Two types of inverter Bidirectional (yellow) & grid inverter (Red)
- All components directly connected to the AC bus
- Capability for future expansion and additional of other power source

Battery Bank Battery Bank Solar Array Solar Array

DC Couple System Diagram

- Only one inverter bidirectional inverter
- DC bus connected to the battery bank and solar panel
- AC bus connected with Load and other AC power source



OGPV Hybrid System



Configuration of SAPV Hybrid System for SK Penontomon, Keningau, Sabah



- Solar batteries are key components of OGPV system as they act as energy storage and backup
- Solar batteries are designed to have deep cycle and can last longer compare to automotive batteries that only design for cranking purposes.
- Normally for OGPV system used Lead acid batteries
- Types of lead acid batteries:
 - Flooded lead acid batteries
 - Valve Regulated Lead Acid
 - Absorbed Glass Mat (AGM)
 - Gelled electrolyte
- Other energy storage type is Lithium Ion, Lithium Polymer, Sodium, Redox battery, Fly wheel, Fuel cell



- Training for certification is provided by SEDA
- Training is held at UiTM and SHRDC
- Refer to SEDA website at www.seda.gov.my

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- Sistem solar PV adalah selamat jika dioperasikan dengan cara dan kaedah yang betul, tetapi berpotensi untuk mendatangkan bahaya jika cuai
- Sila patuhi langkah-langkah keselamatan dan prosedur operasi dan senggara yang ditetapkan
- Hanya orang kompeten sahaja dibenarkan untuk menjalankan kerja-kerja operasi dan senggaraan

AC Voltage

240V AC power adalah merbahaya dan boleh mengakibatkan maut jika 'live wires/terminal' terdedah dan boleh juga mengakibatkan kebakaran





LANGKAH BERJAGA-JAGA DAN KESELAMATAN

• Solar PV array

- > Electric shock ($V_{oc} = 696.9 V_{dc}$)
- Kemalangan disebabkan kedudukan pemasangan di tempat tinggi



NOTE

maintenance can only be undertaken by a suitably licensed electrical worker or contractor.



• PERINGATAN!!

Sentiasa pastikan bekalan kuasa suis utama dan suis-suis di solar PV array dan bilik inverter dimatikan sebelum sebarang kerja-kerja penyenggaraan dan pembaikan dan seumpamanya dijalankan



- Based on the given solar PV module datasheet, works in group:
 - Determine the total output power at STC of 10 modules
 - Determine the total system V_{oc} and I_{sc} of the following configuration;
 - a) 5 modules in series per string
 - b) 2 modules in series per string
 - How many strings for (a) and (b)?

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CHAPTER 3 : Off-grid solar PV system design (Part 1)

1.0 Effect of temperature on output

- The output of PV module is effected by temperature:
 - Current marginally increases with module temperature increases
 - Voltage significantly decreases with increase in module temperature
 - Power significantly decreases with increase in module temperature
- Question:
 - What is the best condition for a PV module operating condition?

Determining cell operating temperature

• Formula to calculate cell or module temperature:

$$T_{cell} = T_{amb} + \left[\frac{NOCT - 20}{800 W/m^2} X G\right]$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} T_{cell} & = temperature of cell during operation (^{O}C) \\ NOCT & = given by manufacturer (^{O}C) \\ T_{amb} & = ambient average temperature during operation (^{O}C) \\ G & = irradiance at ambient temperature (W/m²) \end{array}$

If NOCT is not available;

$$T_{cell} = T_{amb} + 25^{o}C$$

Temperature coefficient

- Temperature coefficients are used to determine the correct output values in different climate conditions
- Temperature coefficient can be in 2 forms:
 - Percentage values; eg, (%/°C)
 - Absolute values; eg, (mV/°C)
- y_{Pmp} (Temperature coefficient for Maximum Power)
- y_{lsc} (Temperature coefficient for short circuit current)
- y_{Voc} (Temperature coefficient for open circuit voltage)
- y_{Vmp} (Temperature coefficient for voltage at maximum power)
- y_{Imp} (Temperature coefficient for current at maximum power)

Temperature correction factor

Percentage values

$$f_{temp_x} = 1 + \left[\frac{y_x}{100} \times (T_{cell} - T_{stc})\right]$$

Absolute values

$$f_{temp_x} = y'_x \ge (T_{cell} - T_{stc})$$

x can be
$$I_{sc}$$
, V_{oc} , V_{mp} , I_{mp} or P_{mp}

Peak Sun Factor (PSF) & corrected output

• PSF is used to determine the expected output of solar PV module under Real Operating Operation (ROC)

$$PSF = \frac{G_{array_plane}}{1,000 \, W/m^2}$$

• Thus the expected output power is;

$$P_{mp_corrected_PSF} = P_{mp_STC} x f_{temp} x PSF$$

- Can you determine the formula if using absolute value?
- PV system designer must appreciate the module when designing a system for different location
- For a hot & dry regions, as a PV designer, would you a module with;
 - a) Low temperature coefficient, or
 - b) High temperature coefficient

Exercise 4: 5 - 10 minutes

- Refer to the datasheet given, G is given at 900 W/m²;
 - Calculate the T_{cell} given the T_{amb} is 30°C
 - Calculate the f_{temp} of I_{sc} , V_{oc} , V_{mp} , I_{mp} or P_{mp}
 - The corrected Power output
 - If you have to consider dirt factor of 2%, determine the corrected Power output

2.0 Batteries system and characteristics

- Battery capacity
 - The amount of charge that can be stored
 - -Capacity(Ah) = Current(A) X Time(h)
- Battery energy content

- Energy = System Voltage (V) X Capacity (Ah)

- A battery is also rated based the ability to supply certain amount of charge within a specified period (rate)
 - The Ah rating of battery is quoted at a discharge rate; eg
 C₅, C₁₀, C₂₀

Exercise 5: 5 - 10 minutes

- Calculate the time needed to completely discharge a 1,000 Ah battery, if the discharging current is 100A
- What is the discharge rate C_x?
- Determine the discharge current at the discharge rate of C₂₀?

State of Charge (SOC) & Depth of Discharge (DOD)

• DOD + SOC = 100%



Maximum Depth of Discharge

- The maximum allowable DOD (%)
- The common value is 80%
- Frequent discharge to DOD_{\max} per day will reduce the cycle life dramatically

3.0 Off grid solar PV system components

- Solar PV (module > string > array)
- Inverters (Grid inverter & Bidirectional inverter)
- Charge controller for DC couple system
- Battery system
- Diesel generator
- Cables (DC & AC)
- Protection (switches, fuse, lightning protection)
- Junction BOX (DC & AC)

- Determine the system configuration as required by the client:
 - PV with battery
 - PV with battery & genset
 - PV with batery, wind, hydro etc.
- Determine the Total Energy Required Daily (E_{daily})
 - Several methods can be used:
 - Most common by constructing 24 hours Load Profile for each appliances
 - If the site has existing genset, load profile can be logged
- Determine the Maximum Demand
 - Using Diversity Factor method
 - From the Load Profile

- Determine the solar energy resources of the particular site for each month for a year
 - NASA meteorological data
 - Global Solar Atlas http://globalsolaratlas.info/
 - Local meteorological station
- Select the lowest Irradiation (kWh/m²) in a year

- Determine which System Voltage (SV) to use
 - Either 12 Vdc, 24 Vdc, or 48 Vdc
 - Sometimes system with 120 Vdc and 240 Vdc can also be considered
 - The selection of which SV to use may result in quantity of battery to use
- Rule of thumb:
 - $-E_{required_{daily}} \le 1 \,\mathrm{kWh}$ = 12 Vdc
 - $E_{required_{daily}} \le 4 \text{ kWh} = 24 \text{ Vdc}$
 - $E_{required_{daily}} > 4 \text{ kWh} = 48 \text{ Vdc}$

• Convert the $E_{required_daily}$ to Total Capacity Required (Ah)

 $-C_{required_{daily}} = \frac{E_{required_{daily}}}{SV}$

- Eg; given $E_{required_{daily}}$ = 2,400 Wh with SV = 24Vdc;

• $C_{required_{daily}} = \frac{2,400 Wh}{24 Vdc} = 100 Ah$

- Battery Bank Capacity Required (*C*_{bankrequired})
 - The ability of battery to meet energy demand for a day or a few days (autonomy)
 - The ability of battery to supply peak power demand
 - $E_{required_daily}$
 - Maximum DOD
 - Maximum Power & surge demand
 - Maximum charging current

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$$C_{bank_required} = C_{required_daily} \times \frac{T_{autonomy}}{DOD_{max}}$$

4.0 System sizing – Step 5 (exercise: 10 minutes)

- If $C_{required_daily} = 100 \text{ Ah}$, $T_{autonomy} = 2 \text{ days with backup}$ genset, $DOD_{max} = 80\%$. Calculate the capacity of the battery bank required.
- Note:
 - For this training, several steps are not considered and it is assumed that the effect/factors do not influence the sizing method of battery capacity
 - Temperature correction methods
 - Battery bank discharge rate
 - Revised battery capacity
 - Maximum Continuous Discharge Rate (MCDR)
 - Curra Damand

- Number of batteries in series string
- $N_{series_bank} = \frac{SV}{Nominal\ battery\ voltage}$
- Eg; A battery capacity = 875 Ah. If the nominal battery voltage is 2 V and the selected SV is 12 V. The number of batteries required per string is 6 unit

- Number of battery strings
- It is important to minimize the number of parallel strings:
 - All strings are required to be fused. Fuses are costly
 - Possibility of uneven charging in parallel strings. The batteries closest to the charging source may charge at marginally higher charging rate than those further away
 - Most manufactures recommend up to 3 to 4 strings
- $N_{parallel_bank} = \frac{C_{bank_required}}{C_{per_battery}}$ (round up the numbers)
- Selected battery bank capacity

- $C_{bank_selected}$ = $N_{parallel_bank} \times C_{per_bank}$
Checking mechanism to determine the estimate Daily DOD < DOD_{max}

 $-DOD_{d} = \frac{C_{required_daily}}{C_{bank_selected}}$

• Exercise:

 $-E_{required_daily}$ = 2,400 Wh; system voltage is 24 V; autonomy is 3 days; DOD_{max} = 0.8; battery 12 V each.

• Select a battery capacity.



Describe the expected IV curve as shown above

Answer



- Shading effect
- Maximum power does not match
- PV produce
 lower Power

- Given the Daily Irradiation of a location is 3,400 Wh/m2,
 - Determine the PSH
 - What is the daily potential energy generation for 1 kWp solar PV modules
- Base on the data sheet of the thin film and monocrystalline solar PV,
 - How much area is required to construct a 30 kWp solar PV, regardless spacing and mounting.
 - determine the estimated (corrected) power that can be produced for a 30 kWp, if:
 - Ambient temperature is 33 °C
 - Average Irradiance is 750 W/m^2

- Total daily energy requirement of a clinics and its quarters in a rural area is 98,450 kWh
 - Design the battery system
 - What is not considered in your calculation and design?
 - Can you suggest other battery technology to be considered.

- The items that should be considered in designing solar PV array:
 - Energy form PV shall meet a specified amount of energy required
 - System voltage
 - Solar resources
 - Tilt angle
 - Orientation of PV
 - Derating of PV
 - Efficiency of battery
 - Solar fraction
- Normally a charge controller is equipped with MPPT. Current Grid inverter do have the same features

- Determine f_{temp_Pmp}
- Determine the corrected output power of PV modules that includes derating factor of manufacturing tolerance (f_{mm}) , and derating factor for dirt (f_{dirt})
- Determine the sub-system efficiency

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 $-\eta_{PV_{ss}} = \eta_{PV_{batt}} X \eta_{controller} X \eta_{Wh_{batt}}$

- Where η_{PV_ss} is efficiency of PV sub-system
- $-\eta_{PV_batt}$ is efficiency of cable from PV array to battery (5%)
- η_{controller} is efficiency of MPPT charge controller/grid inverter (refer manufacturer datasheet)

 After considering the Solar Fraction (SF) that the solar PV array shall produce, determine the total number of modules

 $-N_{T} = \frac{E_{required_daily} X f_{o}}{P_{mp_{corrected}} X PSH X \eta_{pv_ss}}$

 $-f_o$ is the over-supply coefficient (1.0 - 1.2)

 Determine the numbers of module connected in series based on Vmp

$$- N_{series} = \frac{0.95 \, X \, V_{\max_window_cc}}{V_{mp}}$$

- Now we know the total numbers of PV module required and the total numbers of modules in series.
 - Next is to determine the numbers of strings required

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$$N_P = \frac{N_T}{N_S}$$

 Total power at STC that can be generated from the PV modules is;

$$D = D \vee M$$

Average daily energy output of PV array is;

$$-E_{PV_out} = P_{array} \times PSH$$

 To confirm whether the design solar PV modules meet the energy required;

$$-E_{check} \ge E_{required_daily}$$
$$-E_{check} = \frac{E_{PV_out} X \eta_{PV_ss}}{f_o}$$

- Total daily energy requirement of a clinics and its quarters in a rural area is 98,450 Wh
- A solar PV system that can supply 100% electricity to the premise is required
 - Consider the 250Wp Monocrystalline Sunworld
 - Ambient temperature is 25oC
 - Irradiance is 1,000 W/m2
 - Irradiation 3,400 Wh/m2
- Design the capacity of the solar PV module

- To size a charge controller, a designer need to consider the amount current the charge controller need to handle
- ie; Short circuit current of the PV array $-I_{controller_rating} = 1.3 \times I_{sc_stc} \times Np$

- Inverter is costly. Therefore, several factors need to be considered to optimize its operation:
 - Total load at the same time and continuously > MD
 - Energy demand management
 - Avoid load with high surge to start at same time
 - Future load growth 10%-20%
 - Inverter running at low load would reduce the efficiency
- Apparent power of inverter for 30 minutes MD

- $S_{inv_{30min}} = S_{max_{AC}} X sf_{inv}$; sf_{inv} is safety factor (1.1)

$$- S_{\max_AC} = \frac{P_{real} X S_f}{PF}$$

- Preal is real power consumption
- PF is power factor
- Sf is surge factor (1 for resistive load, 3 for universal motor, 5-7 for induction motor)

- S_{max_AC} is obtain from load assessment
- Other factors:
 - Quality of waveform
 - Standby power consumption
 - Installation (outdoor or indoor)
 - Input voltage range
 - Output voltage
 - Frequency
- Important that $S_{inv_{30min}}$ not greater than C_5 rating of battery

- It is important to select a generator (as backup power supply) that can:
 - Meet the power requirements (MD)
 - Not to be oversized for cost effective especially during O&M
- There are three system arrangements:
 - Series mode power use to charge battery and provide power to DC loads
 - Switch mode power use to charge the battery and provide AC power
 - Parallel mode (Bidirectional) power use to charge battery and at the same time to directly supply to AC load

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$$S_{gen_parallel} = \frac{(S_{bc} + MD) X \ 1.1}{f_{gen_derate}}$$

- Genset run time
 - Depends on:
 - Battery charging regime
 - Load energy demand
 - Output of energy from PV
 - How the genset is controlled

Case Study

You are the solar PV specialist consultant for off-grid installation. As a ٠ consultant you are required to design a system for rural electrification program. The system to be installed at the following locations:

 Group A – Lat: N 4.49° 	Long: E 115.79°	T _{amb}	= 26 °C
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- Group B Lat: N 6.71° Long: E 116.36° = 32 °C T_{amb}
- Both sites have the same load requirement: •
 - School - LED Street light • Numbers = 10 units • E_{required_daily} = 49,502 Wh • Power • MD = 8,120 W
 - Houses
 - Numbers = 30 houses
 - = 8 kWh • E_{required_daily}
 - = 3.2 kW• MD
 - Clinics
 - = 15,420 kWh • E_{required_daily}
 - MD = 3,300 W

Design an off-grid solar PV system base on the following criteria:

= 100 W per unit

- Solar Fraction = 70%
- Irradiance = 1,000 W/m2
- Includes all the assumptions