

# Designing of Grid Connected Solar PV system

11 – 13 Oktober 2021



Unit Perunding Tenaga Lestari  
Cawangan Kejuruteraan Elektrik



# KURSUS DESIGNING OF GRID CONNECTED SOLAR PV SYSTEMS (11 – 13 OKTOBER 2021)

| MASA         | 8.30 Pg - 9.00 Pg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 9.00 Pg - 10.30 Pg                                                                                                                                                           | 10.30 pg<br>-<br>11.00 Pg | 11.00 Pg - 1.00 tgh                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1.00 ptg<br>-<br>2.30 Ptg | 2.30 Ptg - 4.30 Ptg                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| HARI PERTAMA | PEMBUKAAN & PRE TEST                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u>SLOT 1</u><br>Fundamental of RE Technology<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Background<br>- RE Technology<br>- Solar PV system<br>Kaedah : Ceramah                                  | REHAT : MINUM PAGI        | <u>SLOT 2</u><br>Asas kejuruteraan Sistem Solar Photovoltaic (PV)<br><br>Kandungan :<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS1837<br>- Basic earth geography<br>- Solar-earth-collector geometry<br>- Availability of solar energy<br>Kaedah: Ceramah    | REHAT : MAKAN TENGAHARI   | <u>SLOT 3</u><br>Teknologi Solar PV & Balance of System (BOS)<br><br>Kandungan :<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS62093<br>- PV cells, modules, string & array<br>- Electrical performance<br>- Balance of System components<br>Kaedah : Ceramah |
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| HARI KEDUA   | <u>SLOT 4</u><br>Teknologi Solar PV & Balance of System (BOS) – (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Connection to the grid<br>- Interconnection issues<br>Kaedah : Ceramah                                                                                 | <u>SLOT 5</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Dimensioning of PV array<br>- Sizing of PV array to inverter<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan |                           | <u>SLOT 6</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV - (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Dimensioning of PV array<br>- Sizing of PV array to inverter<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan                                                     |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| HARI KETIGA  | <u>SLOT 7</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV - (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Sizing of BOS components<br>- Penyediaan lukisan skematik<br>- System performance & evaluation<br>- Key performance indices<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan | <u>SLOT 8</u><br>Kerja berkumpulan<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Case study of solar PV grid connected design<br>Kaedah : Latihan berkumpulan                                       |                           | <u>SLOT 9</u><br>Pemasangan sistem (hands-on), operasi & penyelenggaraan<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS2692<br>- Testing and commissioning<br>- Operation and maintenance<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & Latihan Hands-on di lapangan |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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# Objektif Latihan

Mengenalpasti komponen sistem “grid-connected solar PV”, spesifikasi dan standard pemasangan sistem selaras dengan MS1837;

Merekabentuk sistem grid-connected solar PV termasuk komponen “Balance of System” (BOS) seperti inverter, Net Energy Metering (NEM) dan pendawaian selaras dengan MS62093

Menganalisis tahap prestasi sistem grid-connected solar PV selaras dengan MS61724

Membuat pengujian terhadap pemasangan sistem grid-connected solar PV selaras dengan spesifikasi dan standard MS2692

## LATARBELAKANG

- Unit Perunding Tenaga Lestari (UPTL) ditubuhkan untuk memberi khidmat pakar dalam bidang Tenaga Boleh Baharu (TBB) & Kecekapan Tenaga
- 17 tahun pengalaman & kepakaran dalam bidang teknologi solar



## KHIDMAT PAKAR UPTL

Pengkhususan kepada bidang Tenaga Boleh Baharu (TBB) & Kecekapan Tenaga

- Rekabentuk, pengurusan projek & penyelenggaraan sistem TBB
- Audit Tenaga bangunan
- Audit Prestasi system TBB
- Khidmat nasihat teknikal
- Penyediaan garis panduan & spesifikasi



## ANTARA PENGLIBATAN UPTL DALAM BIDANG TEKNOLOGI SOLAR

- Sistem Solar Hibrid untuk sekolah luar bandar Semenanjung, Sabah & Sarawak dengan jumlah kapasiti 10 MW (316 buah sekolah)
- Program Solar Energy Purchasing (SEP) untuk Bangunan Kerajaan
- Penyelenggaraan Sistem Solar Hibrid
- Menaiktaraf Stesen Solar Hibrid Pulau Kapas, Marang
- Sistem Solar untuk kawasan pelancongan Tasik Kenyir
- Sistem Solar Hibrid untuk Klinik Kesihatan luar bandar



## PENCAPAIAN & MANFAAT PENGLIBATAN UPKTE

- ASEAN ENERGY AWARD 2016 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners Up (Best Practice Off-Grid Solar PV System)
- Mewujudkan pasukan pakar - #teamsolarJKR
- Penyelidikan & Pembentangan kertas kerja – dalam & luar negara





Sistem Solar Hibrid di SK Pulau Omadal, Semporna, Sabah



## Sistem Solar Hibrid Sekolah luar bandar



**316** sekolah di Semenanjung,  
Sabah & Sarawak



**10** MegaWatt (MW)



Capaian bekalan elektrik 24 jam  
kepada lebih **20,000** murid  
dan guru





### Solar Energy Purchasing (SEP)

Rooftop solar PV installation for buildings

1

### Integrated Solar PV System (ISPV)

Off-grid power system solution for remote areas

2



### Solar PV Integrated Management System (SPV-IMS)

IoT based information management system for solar PV system

3

## Solar Power Initiatives



4

### Energy Storage System (ESS)

Energy storage as a backup for buildings energy supply





# Senarai Projek UPTL

*Sepanjang tempoh Pandemic COVID-19*

**RM675 juta**

**32 projek**

**687 tapak projek**

## Skop Perlaksanaan

Rekabentuk

Perolehan

Penyeliaan tapak

Operasi & Penyelenggaraan

Pelupusan Aset

680 sekolah luar bandar, 2 Klinik Kesihatan, 3 perkampungan, 2 pusat pelancongan



1

# Projek Operasi & Penyelenggaraan Genset

Sekolah Luar Bandar Sarawak

763 buah genset

Rektifikasi, pembaikan, penggantian, pembekalan minyak,  
operasi & penyelenggaraan



# 2

## Projek Lampu Solar LED Kg Orang Asli, Royal Belum, Gerik, Perak





# 2

## Projek Lampu Solar LED Kg Orang Asli, Royal Belum, Gerik, Perak

30 unit lampu solar LED  
Penyerahan projek pada 4 September 2021





3

# Projek Solar Hibrid

## Sekolah Luar Bandar Sarawak

5.02 MW

*Sistem solar hibrid –  
konsep ISPV*



SODIUM &  
LITHIUM Battery  
Energy Storage System





## 5

# Program Solar Energy Purchasing (SEP) untuk Bangunan Kerajaan



- Program Solar Energy Purchasing (SEP) untuk bangunan KKR dan JKR Malaysia telah dilancarkan oleh **YB Dato' Sri Haji Fadillah bin Haji Yusof, Menteri Kanan Kerja Raya** pada 16hb Mac 2021.
- Program SEP berkonsep *zero upfront cost* dan *zero capex* ini mensasarkan pemasangan sistem solar di 12 buah bangunan KKR & JKR Malaysia dengan **kapasiti 1.2 MW**, penjimatan bil elektrik sebanyak **RM9.3 juta** untuk tempoh 21 tahun dan pengurangan pelepasan karbon sebanyak **819 tan CO<sub>2</sub> setahun**.
- KKR dan JKR Malaysia akan menjadi **peneraju untuk pelaksanaan program SEP yang lebih menyeluruh** untuk bangunan-bangunan Kerajaan yang lain ke arah penggunaan tenaga yang lebih cekap dengan penerapan elemen lestari dalam aspek pembinaan.



# CHAPTER 1

## - Background & Review on Solar PV System Technology



# Energy Resources

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

- Gas & oil
- Coal
- Diesel

| KAPASITI TERPASANG SISTEM GRID<br>GRID SYSTEM INSTALLED CAPACITY                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2018                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2019                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>24,418MW</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>26,132MW</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gas (11,537MW)<br/>Gas (11,537MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gas (11,000MW)<br/>Gas (11,000MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                          |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arang Batu (10,066MW)<br/>Coal (10,066MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arang Batu (12,066MW)<br/>Coal (12,066MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hidro (2,536MW, termasuk 296MW yang dianggap sebagai hidro mini)<br/>Hydro (2,536MW, which is inclusive of 296MW that is considered as mini hydro)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hidro (2,240MW)<br/>Hydro (2,240MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBB (179MW)*<br/>*LSS (179MW di rangkaian penghantaran)<br/>RE (179MW)*<br/>*LSS (179MW at transmission network)</li> </ul>                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TBB (725MW)*<br/>*LSS (429MW di rangkaian penghantaran) + Hidro Mini (296MW)<br/>RE (725MW)*<br/>*LSS (429MW at transmission network) + mini hydro (296MW)</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sambungtara (100MW)<br/>Interconnection (100MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sambungtara (100MW)<br/>Interconnection (100MW)</li> </ul>                                                                                                            |

Source: ST Annual Report 2019



# Energy Resources

|                                          | 2018                                                              |                                                                  | 2019                                                            |                                                                  |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                          | Semenanjung Malaysia<br>Peninsular Malaysia                       | Sabah dan Labuan<br>Sabah and Labuan                             | Semenanjung Malaysia<br>Peninsular Malaysia                     | Sabah dan Labuan<br>Sabah and Labuan                             |
| Kapasiti Terpasang<br>Installed Capacity | → <b>24,418MW</b>                                                 | <b>1,277MW</b>                                                   | <b>26,132MW</b>                                                 | <b>1,277MW</b>                                                   |
| SAIDI<br>SAIDI                           | → <b>48.22</b><br>minit /pelanggan/tahun<br>minutes/customer/year | <b>267.87</b><br>minit /pelanggan/tahun<br>minutes/customer/year | <b>48.13</b><br>minit /pelanggan/tahun<br>minutes/customer/year | <b>205.31</b><br>minit /pelanggan/tahun<br>minutes/customer/year |
| Kapasiti LSS<br>LSS Capacity             | → <b>179MW</b>                                                    | <b>50MW</b>                                                      | <b>429MW</b>                                                    | <b>50MW</b>                                                      |
| Margin Rizab<br>Reserve Margin           | → <b>32%</b>                                                      | <b>29%</b>                                                       | <b>38%</b>                                                      | <b>23%</b>                                                       |
| Permintaan<br>Maksimum<br>Maximum Demand | → <b>18,338MW</b>                                                 | <b>955MW</b>                                                     | <b>18,566MW</b>                                                 | <b>1,001MW</b>                                                   |

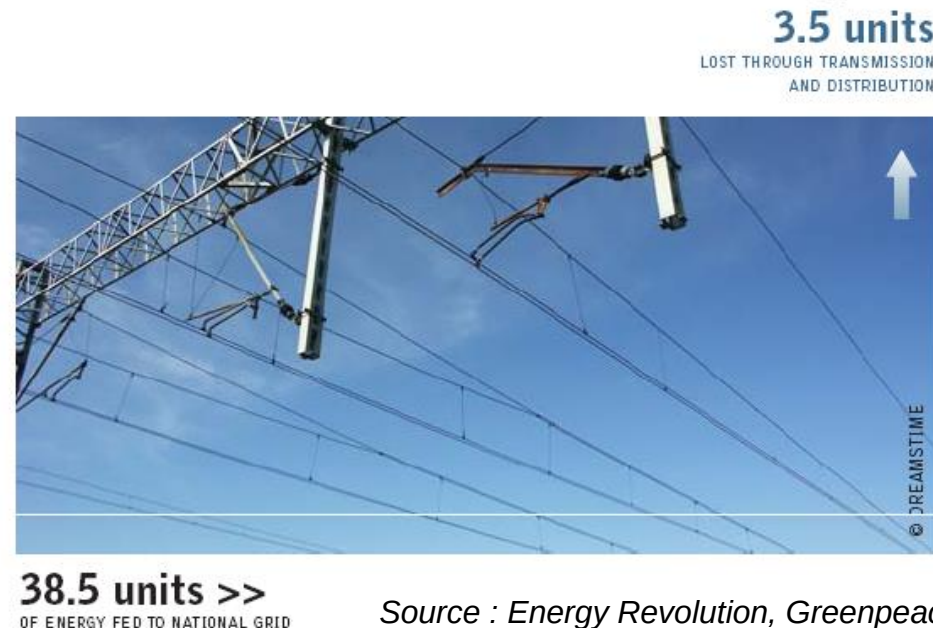
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# Energy Emission Overview

- Every day we damage our climate by using fossil fuels for energy & transport
- Malaysia emitted 208 mill. tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> or 7.1 tonnes per capita in 2009
- Projected total emissions – 285.73 mill tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> (2020). Largest emitting sector – electricity generation (43.4%)

**centralised energy infrastructures waste more than two thirds of their energy**



Source : Energy Revolution, Greenpeace

- Fossil fuel based energy will be depleted by time

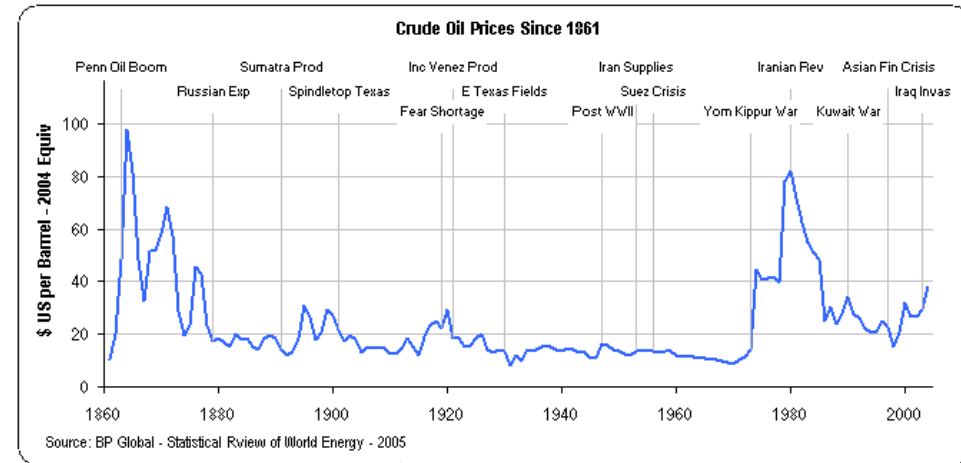
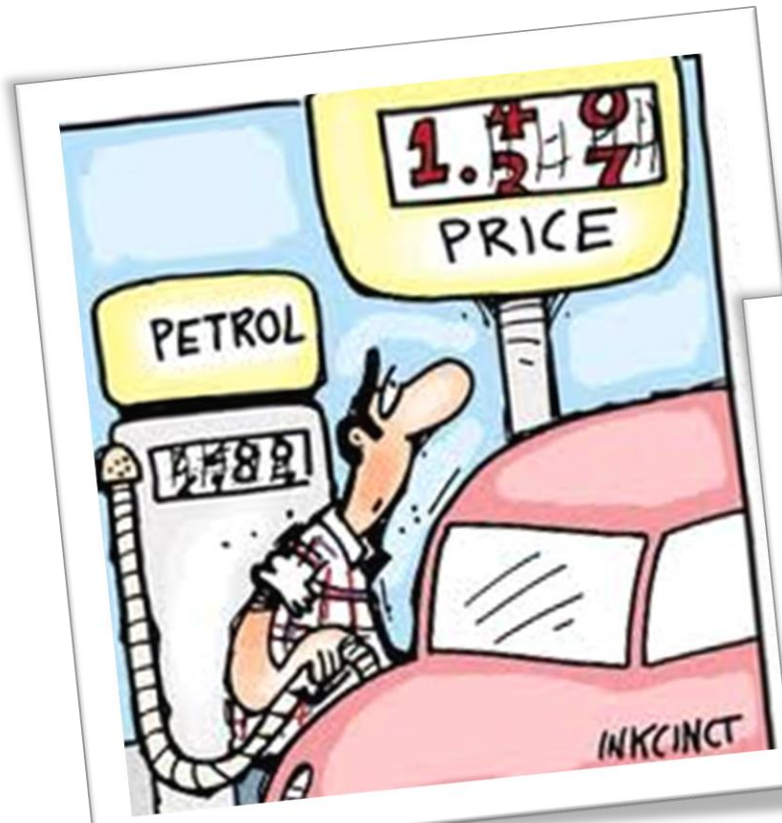
### – **Malaysia's energy reserve**

- 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





- Fluctuation of global oil price



- World population growth requires more energy
- Environmental pollution

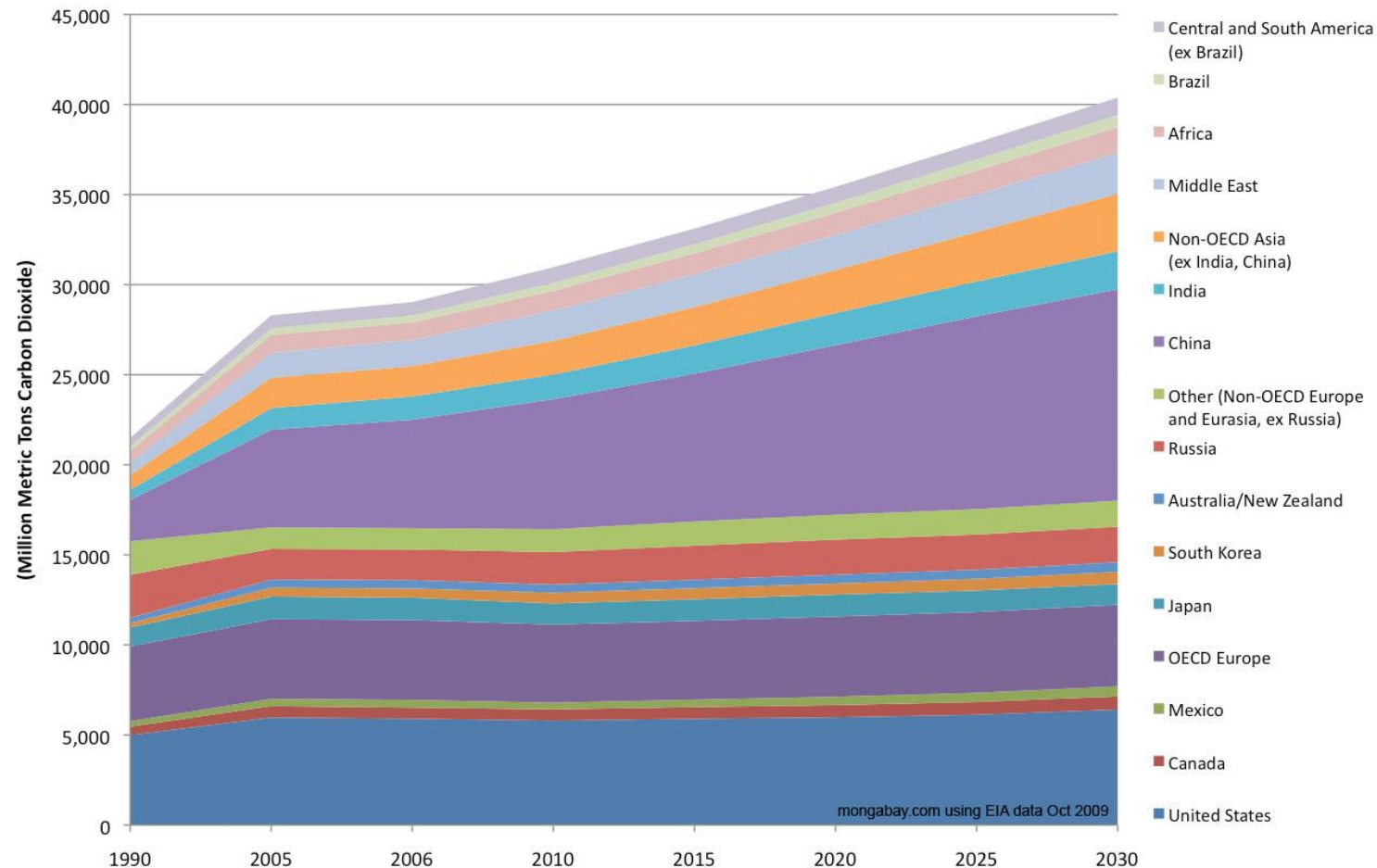




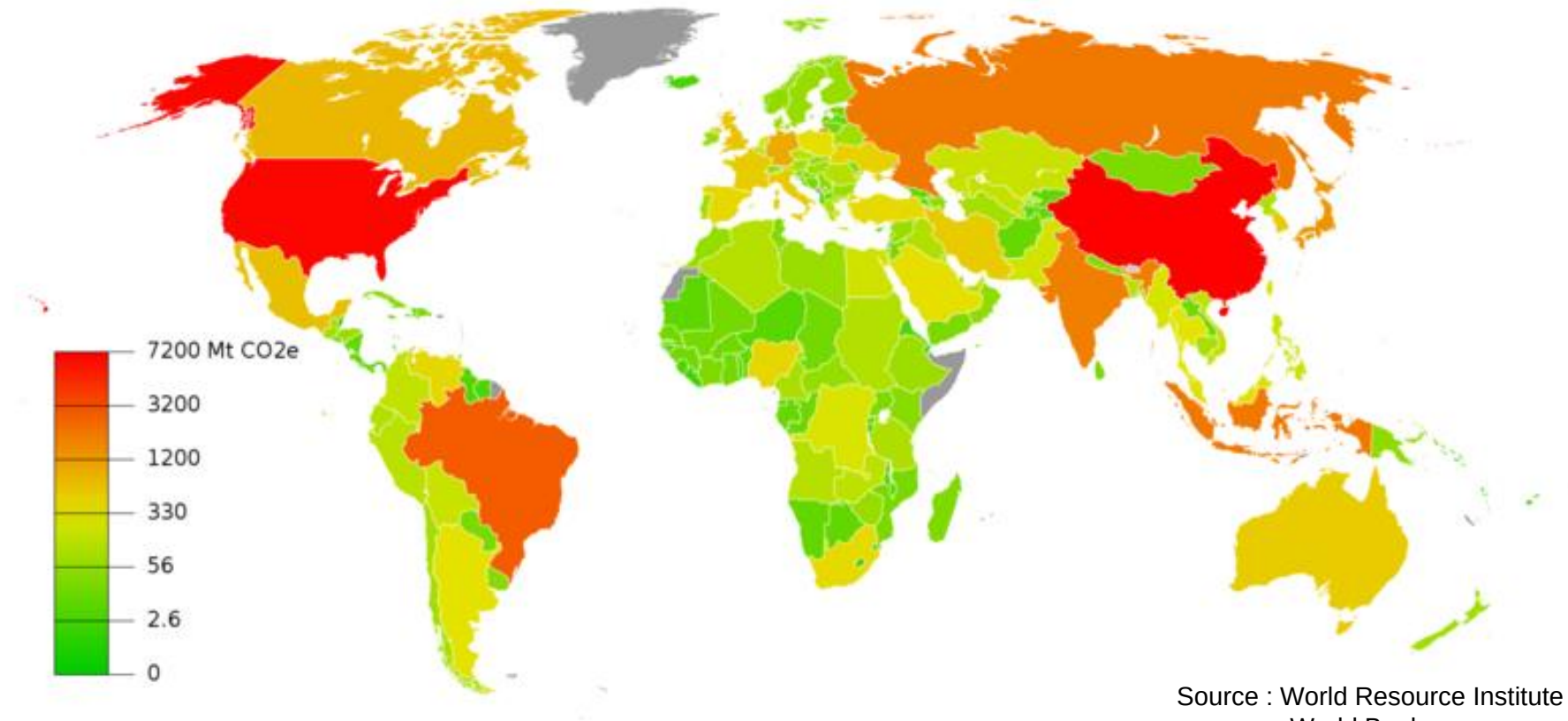
# Environmental Effect

- Green House Gasses
  - Global warming & climate change

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



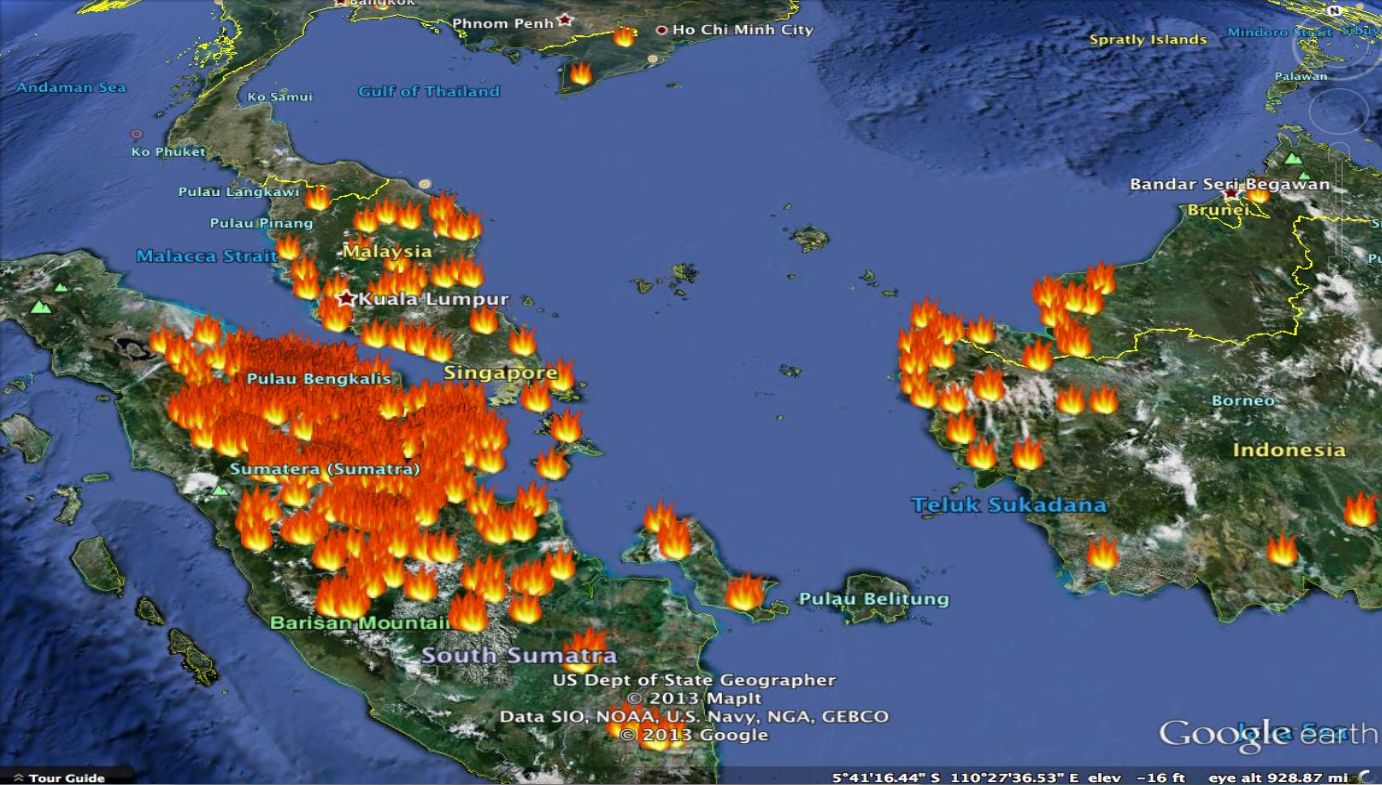
# Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emission (2005) including land use



## Malaysia

- Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emission (2008) = 208,267,000 metric tons (0.7% of world emission)
- Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emission per capita (2009) = 7.1 metric tons per capita (not including land use)

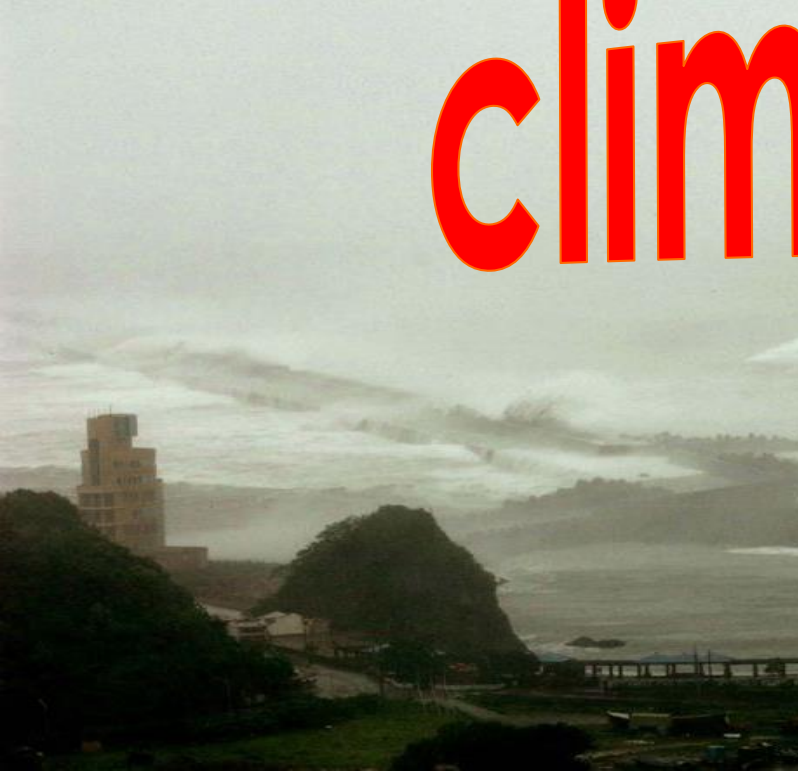








climate change !!!





# The earth needs to be healed....

- Sustainable energy is the answer...



**RENEWABLE  
ENERGY**

**ENERGY  
EFFICIENCY**

# 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.



**Biomass**



**Wind Energy**



**Hydro**



**Biogas**



**Geothermal**



**Solar PV**



# Solar Energy Application

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**Solar Photovoltaic**



**Solar Thermal**

**Major applications :**

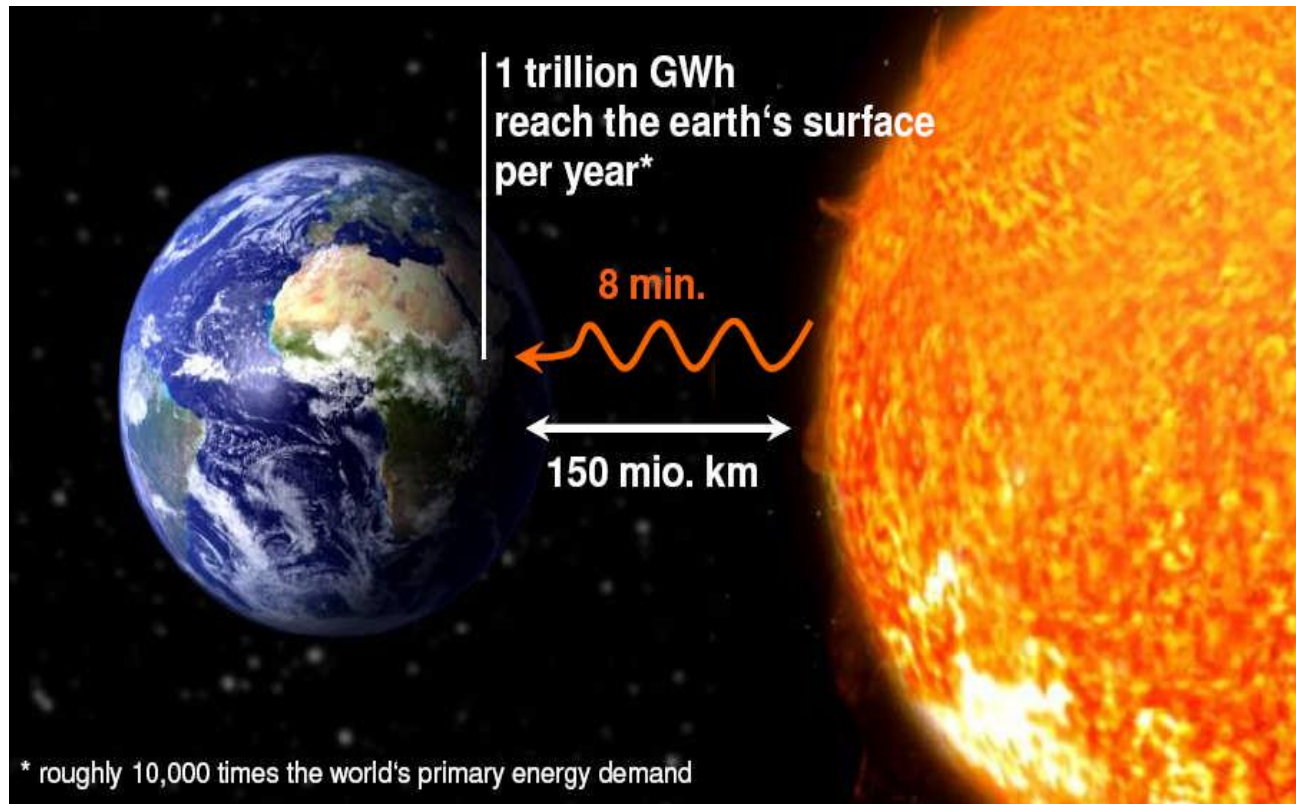
**1) Electricity**

**2) Heat**



# Solar Photovoltaic (PV)

- Convert solar radiation into electric power



Maximum irradiance that can reach earth surface is  $\sim 1,000 \text{ W/m}^2$

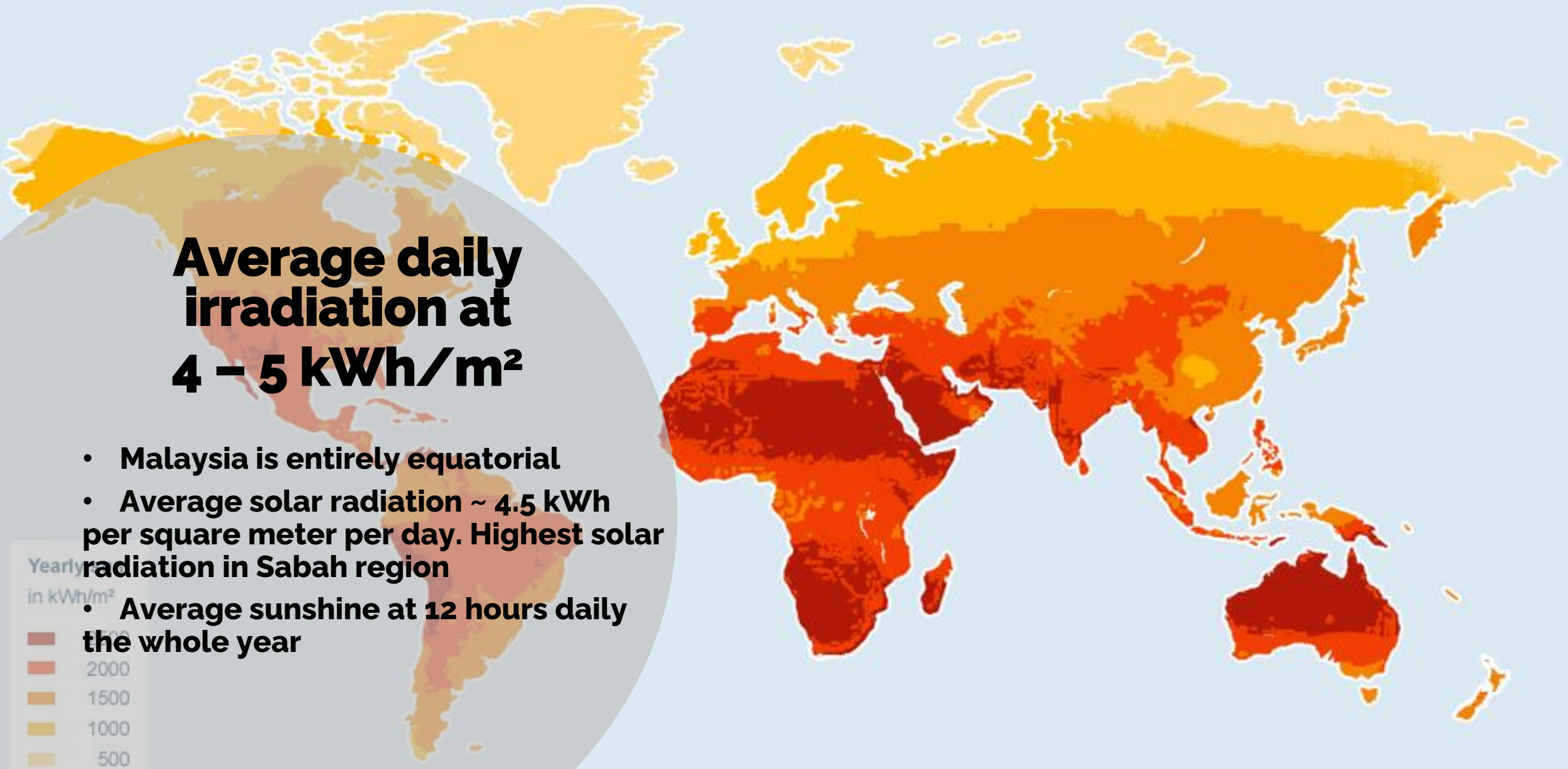


# Average daily irradiation at 4 – 5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

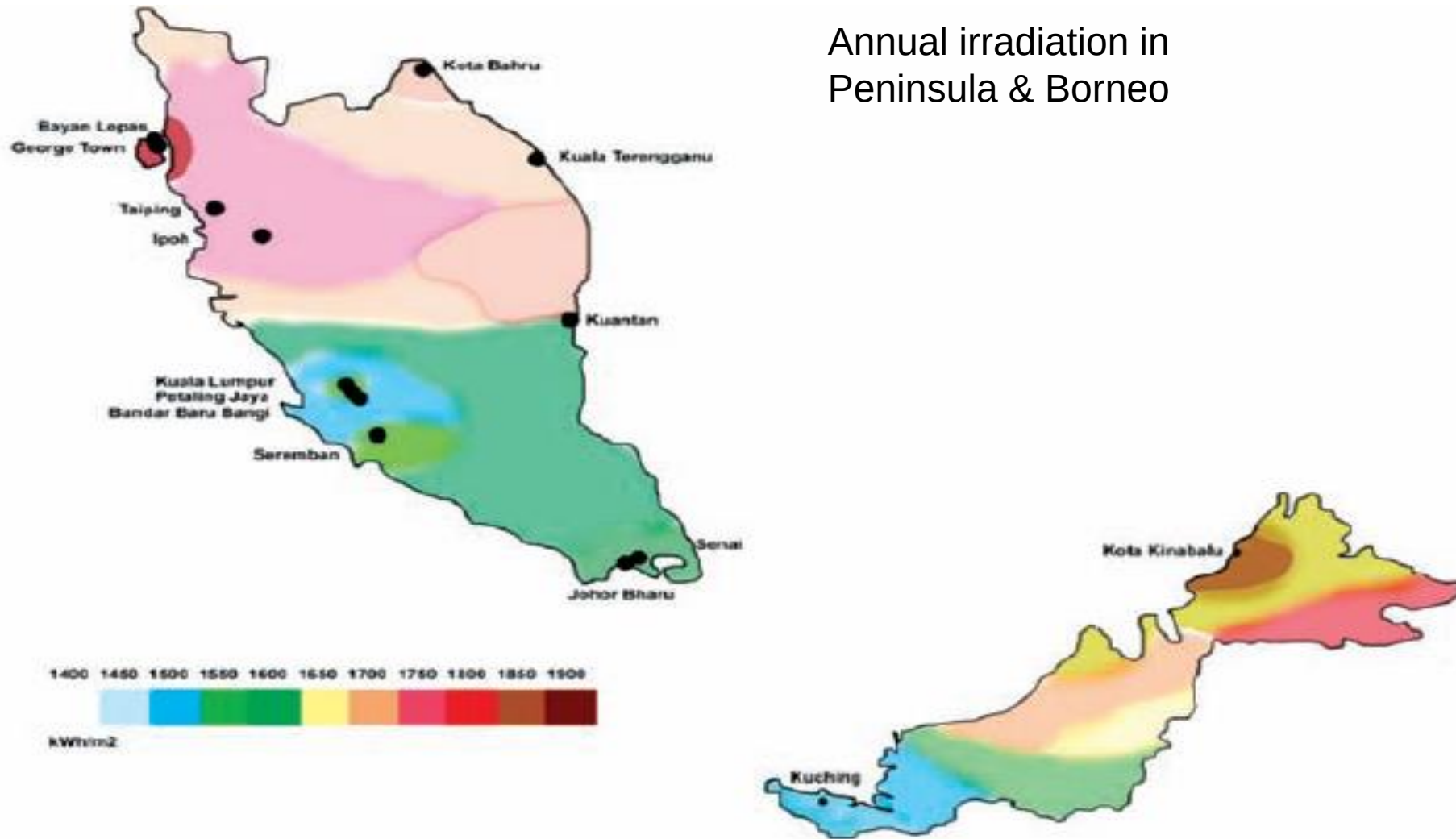
- Malaysia is entirely equatorial
- Average solar radiation ~ 4.5 kWh per square meter per day. Highest solar radiation in Sabah region
- Average sunshine at 12 hours daily the whole year

Yearly  
in kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

|      |
|------|
| 2500 |
| 2000 |
| 1500 |
| 1000 |
| 500  |



# Irradiance in Malaysia



Average daily irradiation at 4 – 5 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>

Source : NREPAP 2009



80 MWp, Revigo, Italy



40 MWp, Waldpolenz, German



20 MWp, Pilgrove  
Township, New Jersey





## World's largest solar park Shakti Sthala launched in Karnataka

The world's largest solar park, Shakti Sthala, has a capacity of 2,000 MW and has set up at an investment of Rs16,500 crore at Pavagada in Karnataka's Tumakuru district

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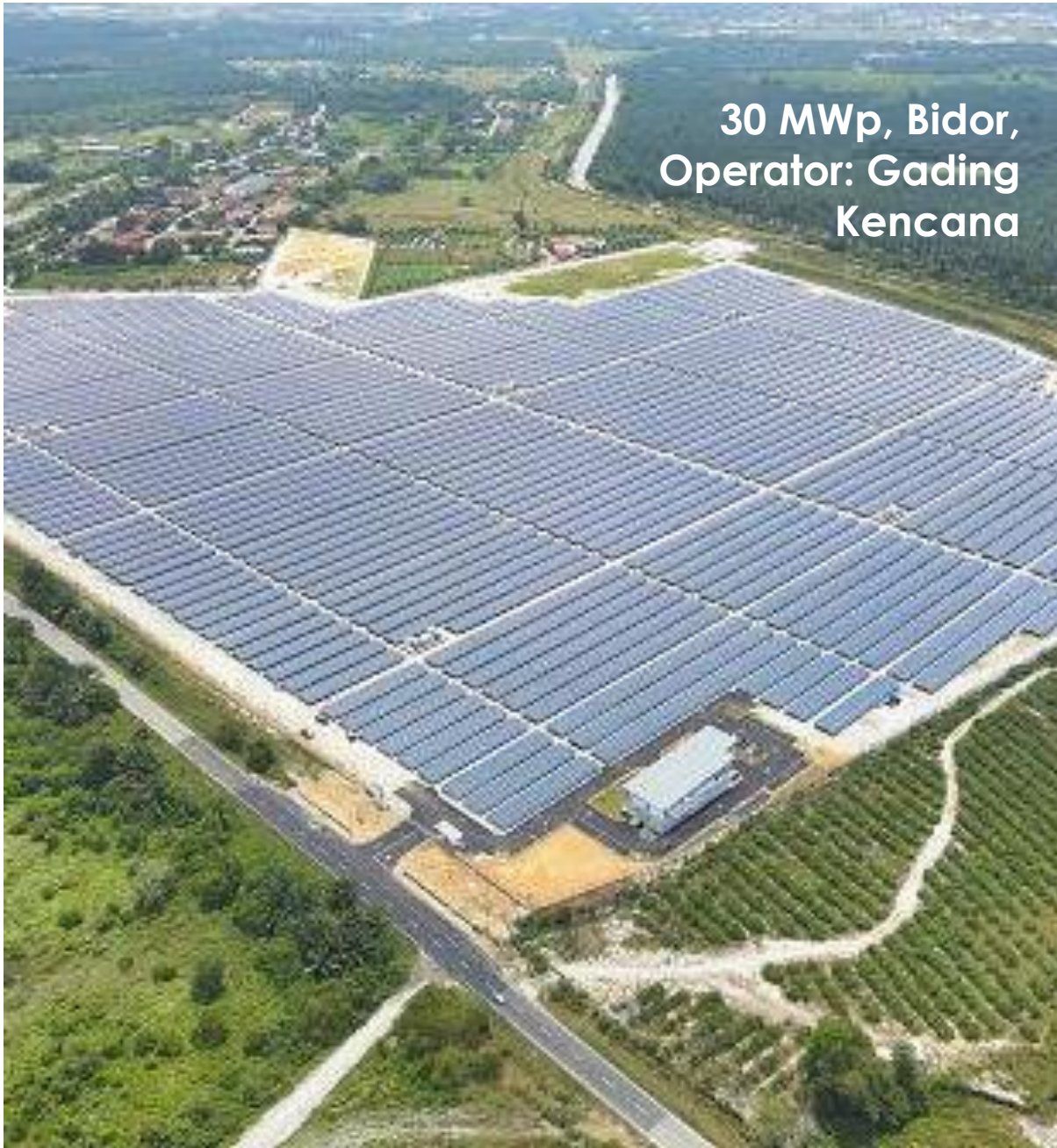
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## China Turns On the World's Largest Floating Solar Farm

Floating on a lake over a collapsed coal mine, the power station in Anhui province can produce 40 megawatts of energy







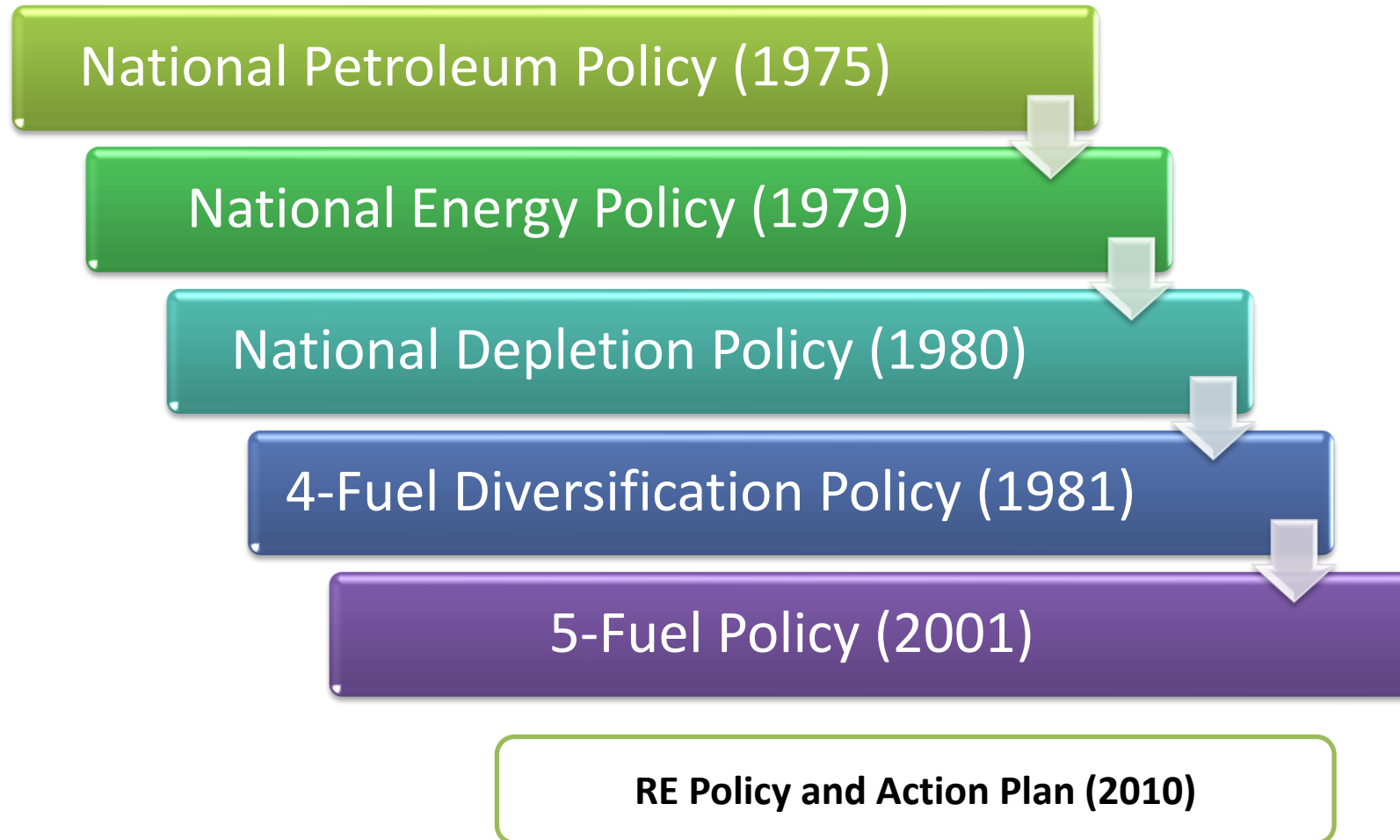
**30 MWp, Bidor,  
Operator: Gading  
Kencana**



**50 MWp, Sepang  
Operator: TNB**

# Renewable Energy in Malaysia

## Development of Energy Policies in Malaysia





# POLISI TEKNOLOGI HIJAU NEGARA



**2011**

## Feed In Tariff

- Tarif untuk solar PV  
2013 – RM0.68 – RM1.1316/kWh  
\* *Degression rate 8% setahun*

**2016**

## Net Energy Metering (NEM)

- Konsep *Net billing*
- *Self consumed*, lebihan penajaan tenaga dijual ke pihak utiliti pada kadar tarif belian tenaga
- Contoh:  
Tarif B = RM0.509/kWh  
\* *Rate telah disemak semula tahun 2018*

**2018**

## Supply Agreement for Renewable Energy (SARE)

- *Self consumed*,
- Tarif penajaan tenaga daripada solar PV rendah daripada tarif grid utiliti
- Contoh:  
Grid = RM0.509/kWh  
Solar = RM0.43/kWh

# POLISI TEKNOLOGI HIJAU NEGARA

EMBARGO SEHINGGA 10.00AM 29 DISEMBER 2020

## MEKANISME PELAKSANAAN *NET ENERGY METERING* 3.0



| PERKARA                        | NEM 3.0                                    |                                 |                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                | NEM RAKYAT                                 | NEM GoME <sub>n</sub>           | NOVA                                                                                                        |
|                                | Domestik                                   | Bangunan Kerajaan               | Komersial & Industri                                                                                        |
| Kuota ditawarkan (MW)          | 100                                        | 100                             | 300                                                                                                         |
| Mekanisme ( <i>roll-over</i> ) | NEM 1:1 (12 bulan)                         | NEM 1:1 (12 bulan)              | SELCO+ (1 bulan)                                                                                            |
| Tarikh mula ditawarkan         | 1 Februari 2021                            |                                 | 1 April 2021                                                                                                |
| Tempoh tawaran                 | 3 tahun                                    |                                 |                                                                                                             |
| Kadar <i>offset</i>            | Tarif Semasa                               | Tarif Semasa                    | <i>System Marginal Price</i>                                                                                |
| Tempoh <i>offset</i>           | 10 tahun                                   |                                 |                                                                                                             |
| Ketetapan selepas 10 tahun     | <i>Self-Consumption (SelCo)</i>            | <i>Self-Consumption (SelCo)</i> | <i>Self-Consumption (SelCo)</i>                                                                             |
| Had Kapasiti Pepasangan        | Single Phase: 4kWac<br>Three Phase: 10kWac | 1 MWac/ 1 Akaun                 | <div> <i>Nett offset</i>   1MWac<br/> <i>Net offset +Virtual aggregation</i>   5MWac                 </div> |
| Kelayakan                      | Pemegang Akaun Domestik                    | Jabatan/Agensi Kerajaan         | Pemegang Akaun Bukan Domestik                                                                               |



# KAEDAH PERLAKSANAAN PEMASANGAN SISTEM SOLAR PV DI ATAS BUMBUNG BANGUNAN

## KAEDAH

Pemasangan sendiri melalui peruntukan sendiri

## OPERASI

- Tiada tarif untuk setiap penajaan tenaga solar yang digunakan
- Penjimatan bil elektrik bulanan  $> 20\%$  (bergantung kepada kapasiti sistem)
- Hak milik sepenuhnya
- Memerlukan peruntukan tahunan untuk kos operasi & penyelenggaraan



Program SEP tanpa kos pemasangan & penyelenggaraan  
(Zero upfront & maintenance cost)

- Tarif khas tenaga solar yang lebih rendah daripada tarif TNB
- Tarif khas solar adalah tidak berubah sepanjang masa
- Penjimatan bil elektrik sehingga 20% sebulan (bergantung kepada kapasiti sistem)
- Tempoh perjanjian sehingga 21 tahun, hak milik sepenuhnya selepas tamat tempoh perjanjian
- Tiada kos operasi & penyelenggaraan

# PRINSIP ASAS SOLAR ENERGY PURCHASING



1

Panel Solar akan menjana tenaga elektrik daripada cahaya matahari

3

Tenaga elektrik yang dijana akan digunakan untuk kegunaan bekalan elektrik bangunan/premis

2

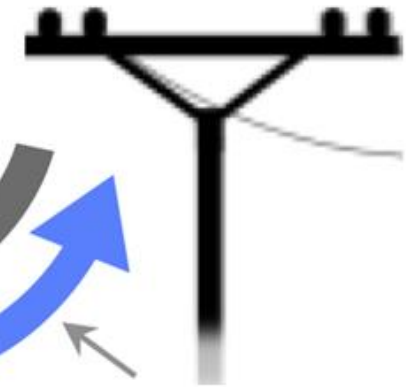
Inverter akan mengubah tenaga elektrik yang dijana oleh panel Solar daripada Direct Current (DC) kepada Alternating Current (AC) untuk kegunaan tenaga bangunan/premis



Tenaga elektrik daripada Grid

4

Bi-directional meter digunakan untuk mengukur tenaga yang digunakan daripada Grid dan lebih tenaga daripada sistem Solar



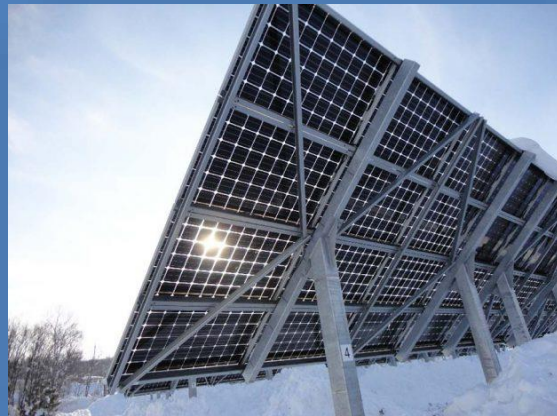
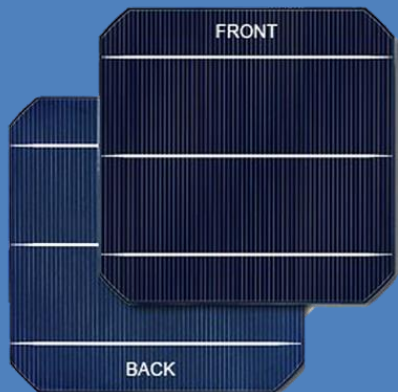
Lebih tenaga elektrik yang dijana sistem Solar dijual ke Grid



# Way forward

## New solar panel design & aesthetics

- Frameless solar panel
  - Clear solar panels
  - Solar tiles



## Solar panel products improvement

- Double sided solar panels
- PV integration – micro inverter

# Training & Certification

- Training for certification is provided by SEDA
- Training is held at UiTM and SHRDC
- Refer to SEDA website at [www.seda.gov.my](http://www.seda.gov.my)

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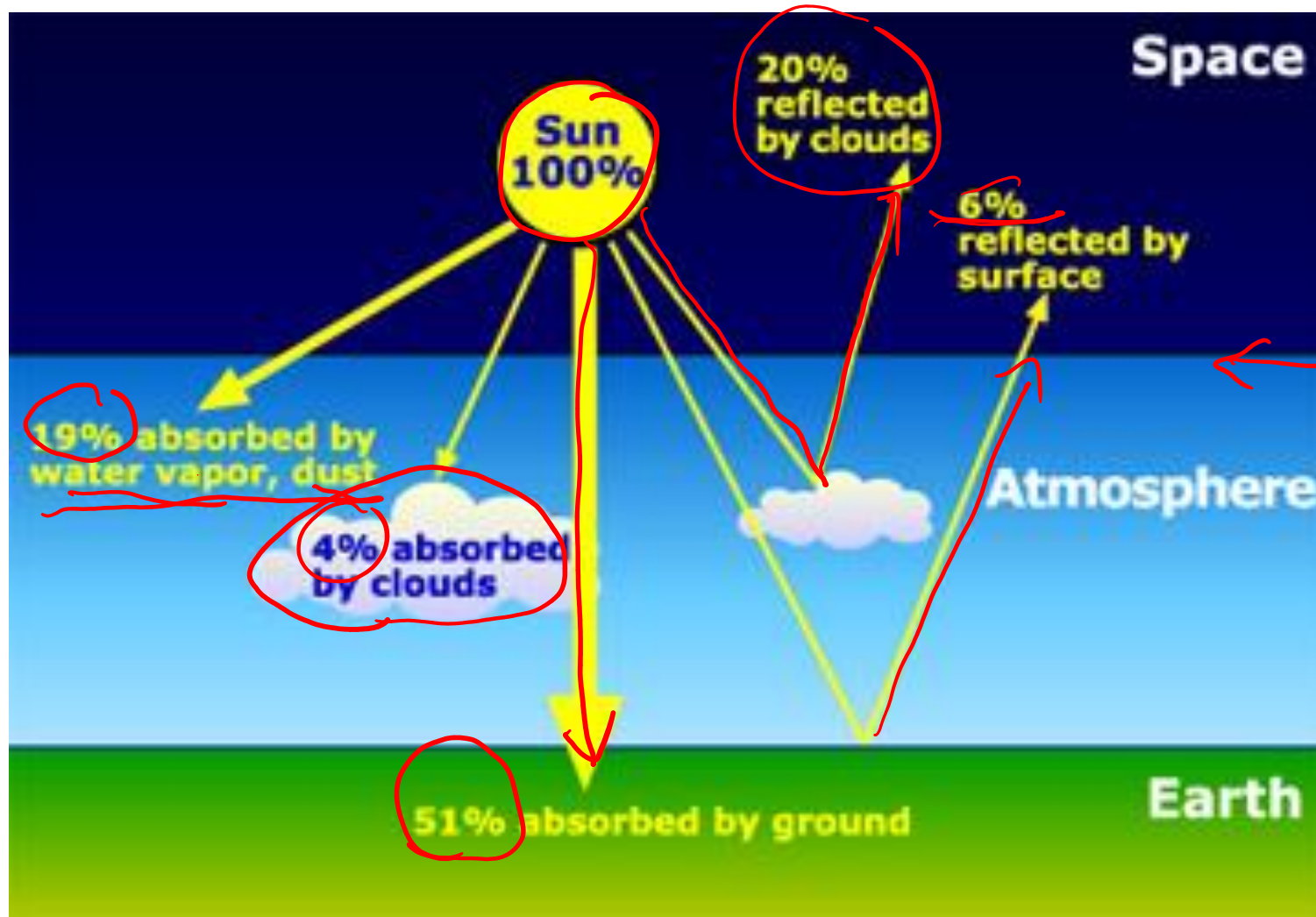
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**BREAK**

# Availability of Solar Energy





# Irradiance & irradiation

## Irradiance

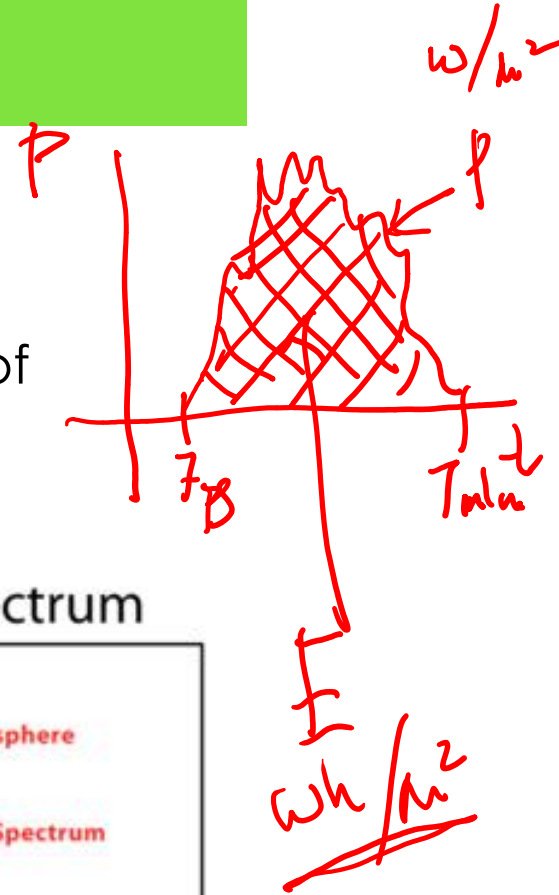
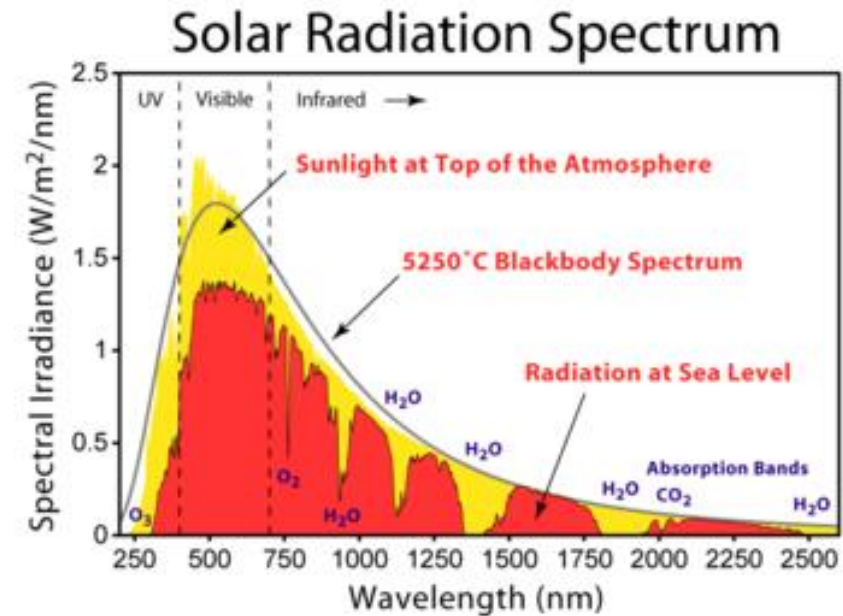
The **power** per **unit area** received from the Sun in the form of electromagnetic **radiation** in the wavelength range of the measuring instrument.

**Unit of irradiance in  $\text{W/m}^2$**

## Irradiation

The **energy** per **unit area** received from the Sun in the period of daylight time

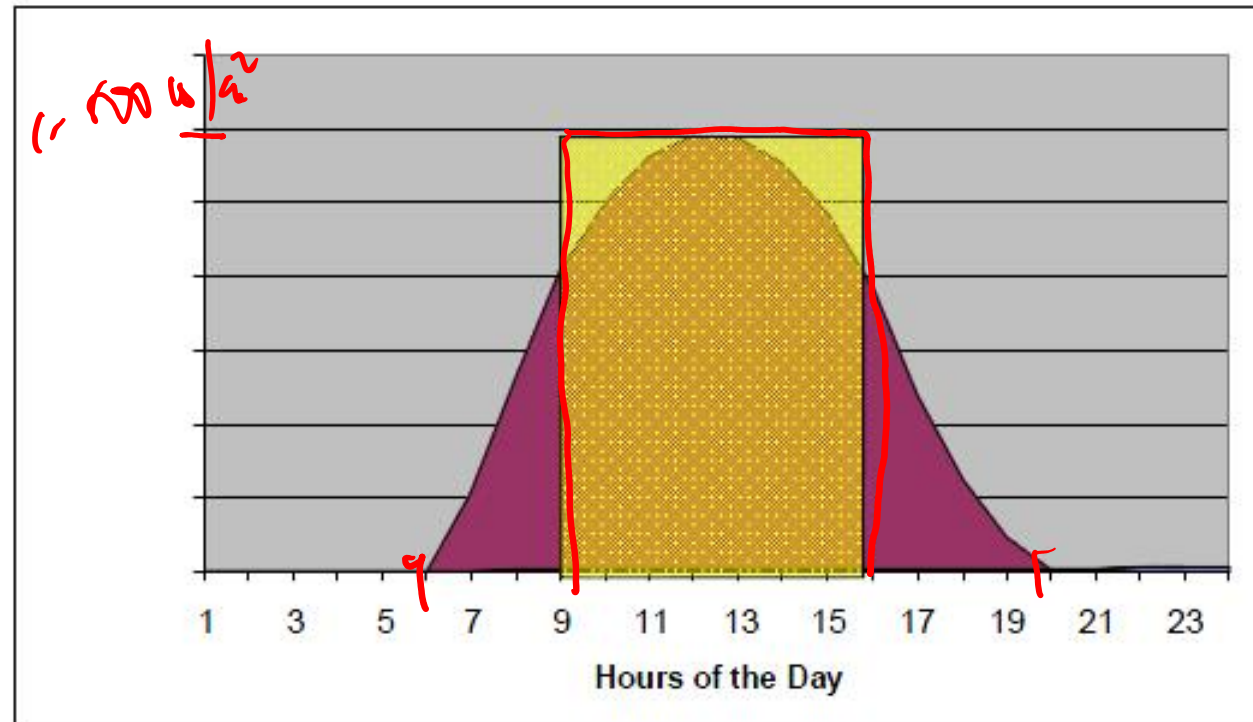
**Unit of irradiation in  $\text{Wh/m}^2$**



# Availability of Solar Energy

## Peak Sun Hour (PSH)

- The number of hour solar irradiance at  $1,000\text{Wm}^{-2}$  gives the equivalent amount of solar irradiation (H) for the day



$$\frac{4.5 \text{ kWh/m}^2}{1 \text{ kW/m}^2} = 4.5 \text{ h PSH}$$



## Exercise 1: (10 minutes & 5 minutes discussion)

| Location | Irradiation (Wh/m <sup>2</sup> /day) |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| A        | 2,580                                |
| B        | 4,660                                |
| C        | 4,090                                |
| D        | 4,150                                |
| E        | 5,380                                |

$$\frac{2,580 \text{ Wh/m}^2}{1,000 \text{ W/m}^2}$$

$$\text{PSH} = 2.58 \text{ h}$$

$$4.66$$

$$4.09$$

$$4.15$$

$$5.38$$

$$\frac{400 \text{ Wp}}{1,000 \text{ W/m}^2}$$

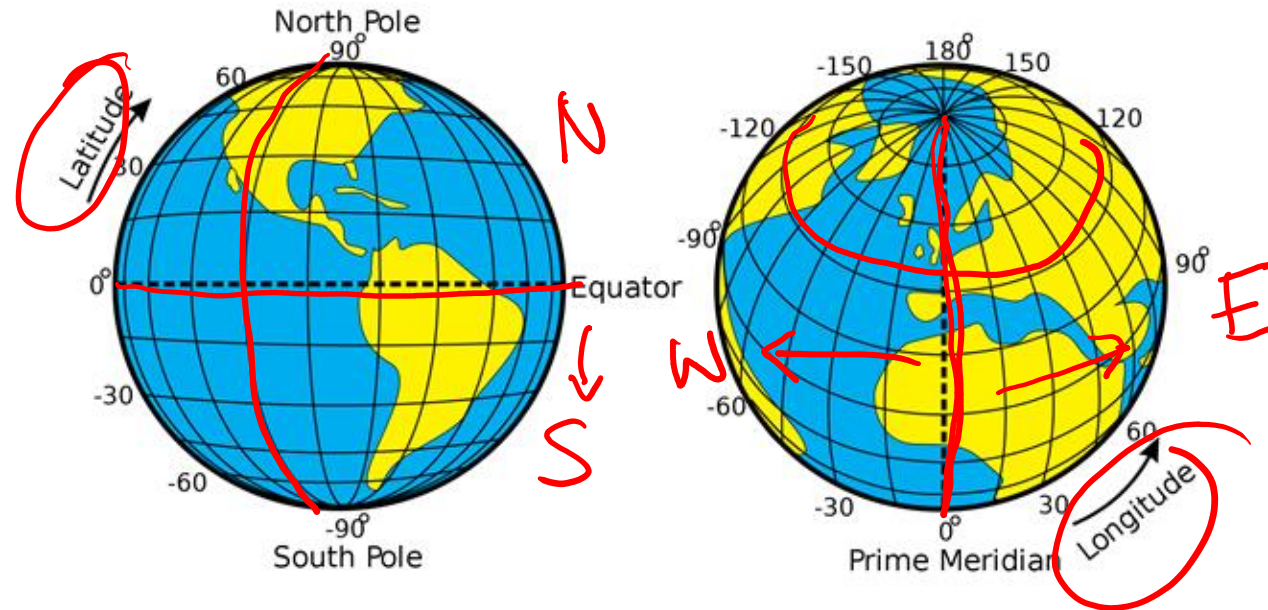
- 1) Calculate the PSH at each location
- 2) Calculate the annual (365 days) energy generation of 10 kWp solar PV system at each location, assuming irradiation is constant everyday and consider no losses

$$E_{\text{annual}} = 10 \text{ kWp} \times 2.58 \text{ h} \times 365 \text{ days}$$

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

$$9,417 \text{ kWh}$$

# Geographic Coordinate System

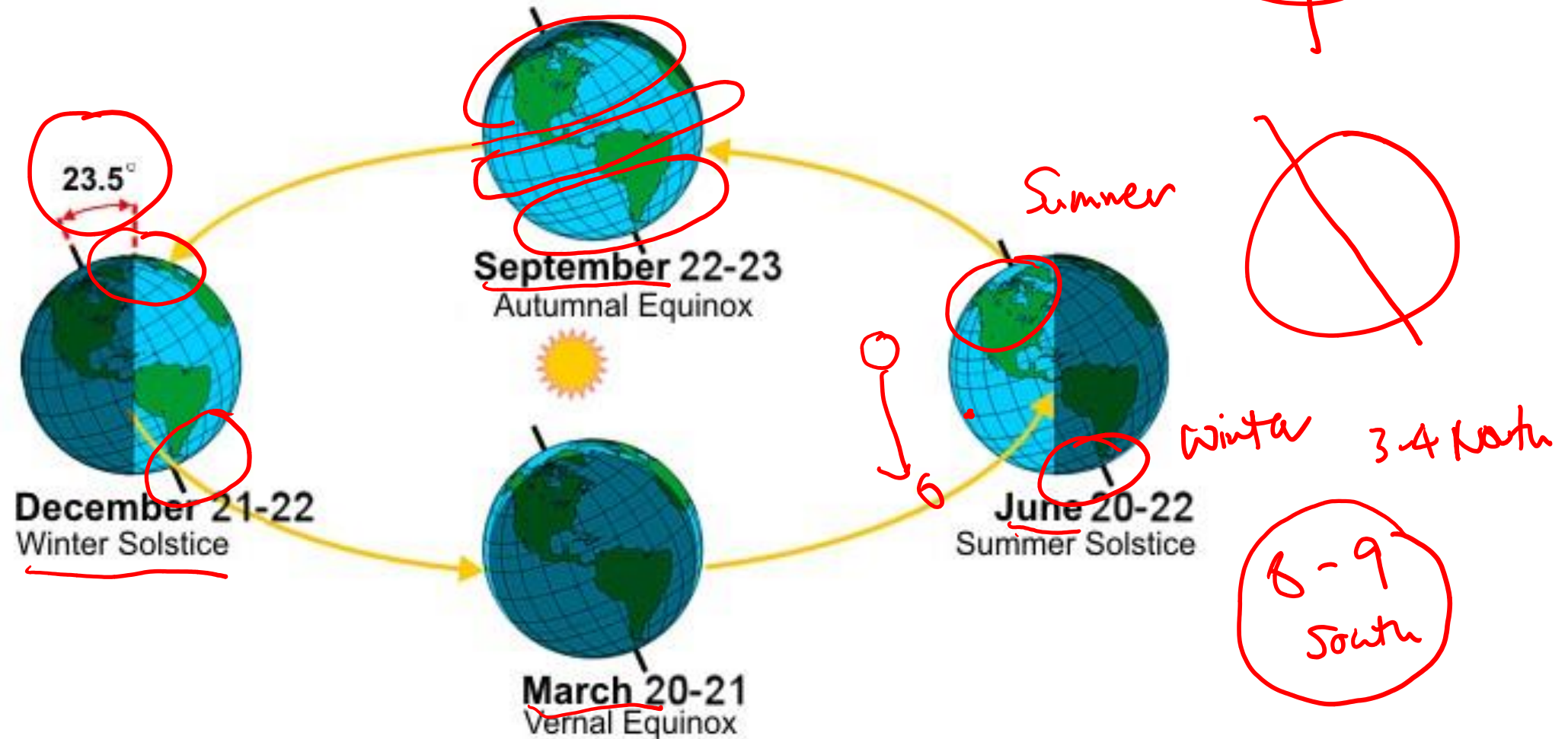


- Main lines/latitude of reference:
- Malaysia:
  - Latitude: 1° to 7° N
  - Longitude : 99° to 120° E



# Earth geography

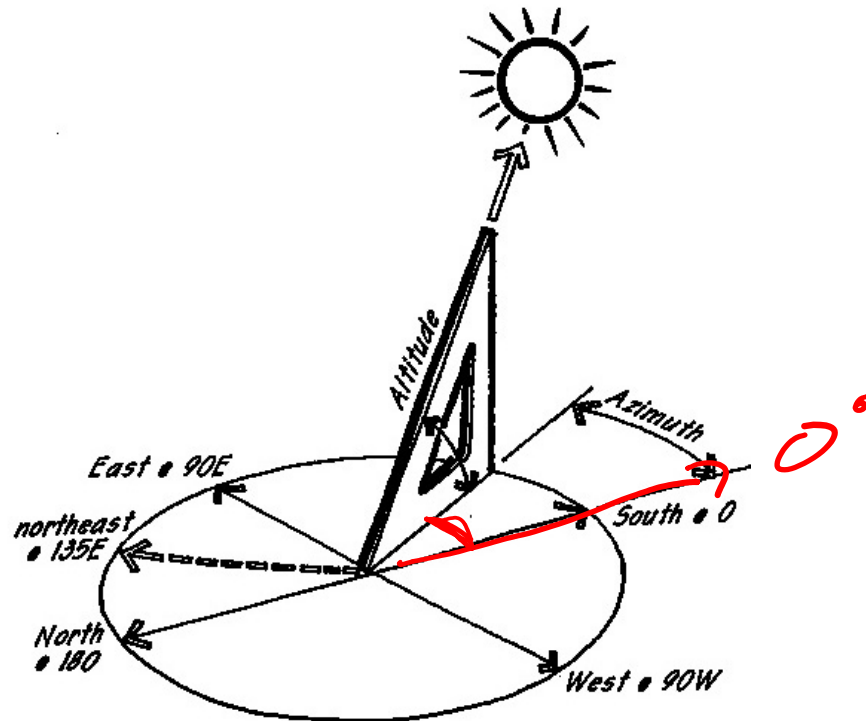
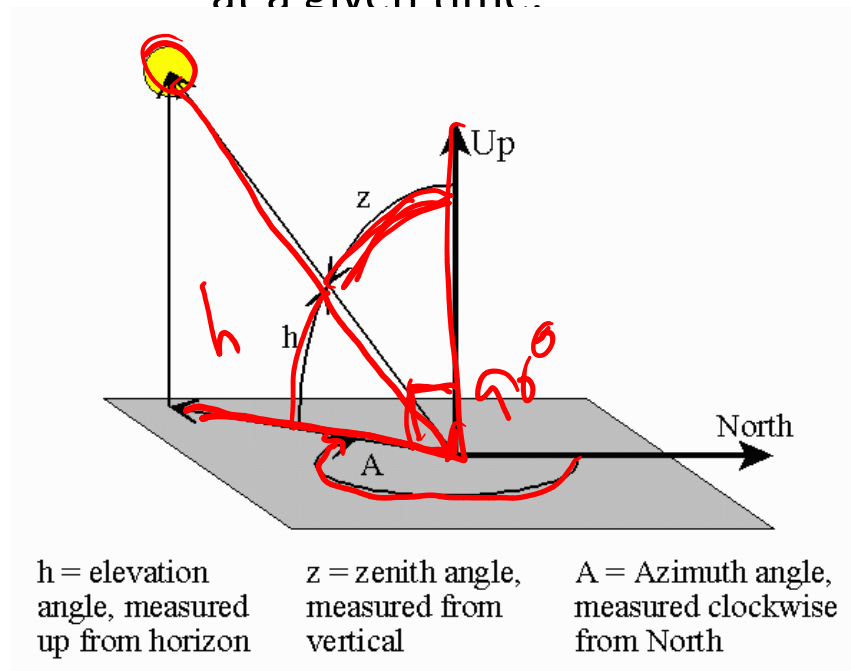
Tilt angle and revolution around the Sun



# Sun Path Coordinate

## 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.





## Availability of Solar Energy

- How to quantify solar radiation?



Solar cell sensor → irradiance

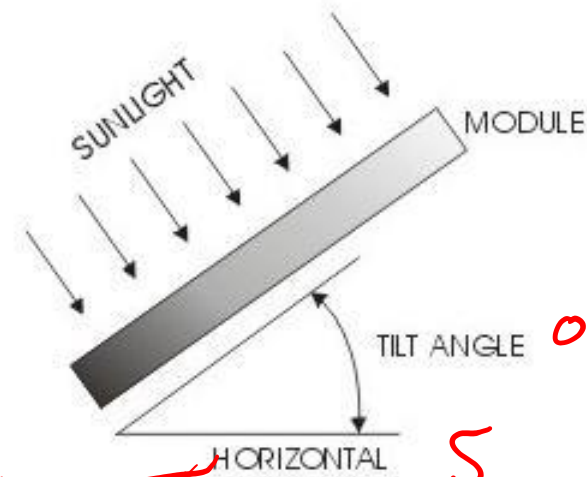
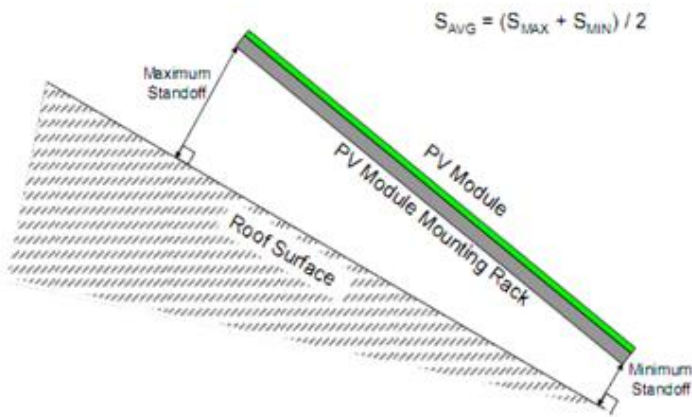


pyranometer — total

# Sun Earth Collector Geometry

## Tilt angle of solar collector

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



1° - 7° N

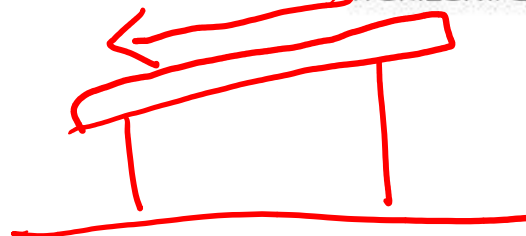
3.23° N

40°

3.23°

5° < 10°

S N





# LANGKAH BERJAGA-JAGA DAN KESELAMATAN



- **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



# **CHAPTER 3**

## **: Solar PV Technology & Balance of System (BOS)**

# KATEGORI SISTEM SOLAR PV

## GRID CONNECTED SOLAR PV

### LARGE SCALE SOLAR (LSS)



### ROOFTOP SOLAR



## OFF-GRID SOLAR PV

Bekalan tenaga elektrik 24 jam untuk Kawasan di luar liputan rangkaian Grid

Solar PV + Sistem Inverter + Sistem simpanan tenaga + Genset

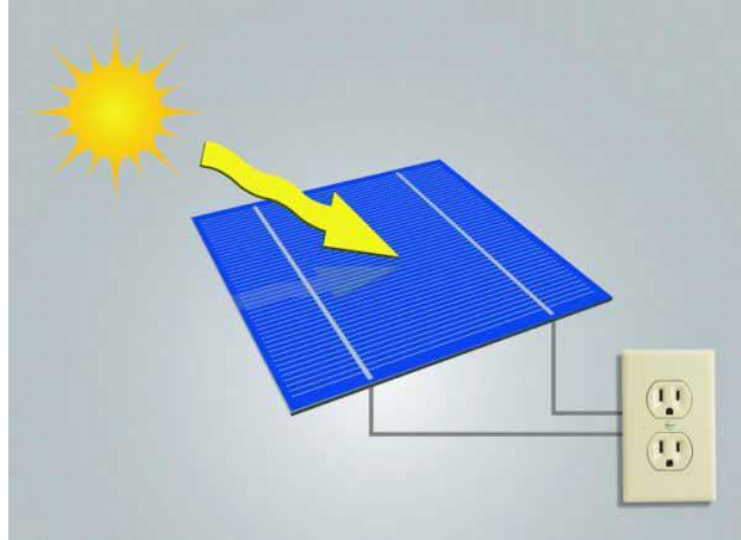
684 kW solar hibrid di Long Bemang, Sarawak



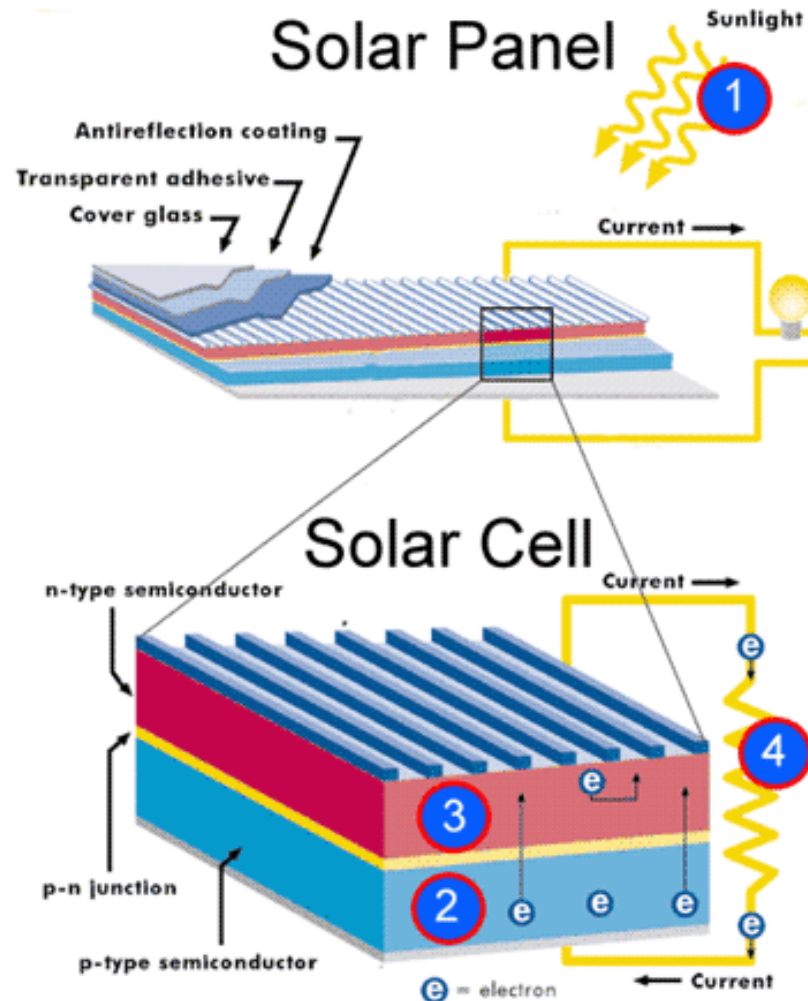


# Solar Electricity

- **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

Cell



Module



Array



## PV System Sizing:

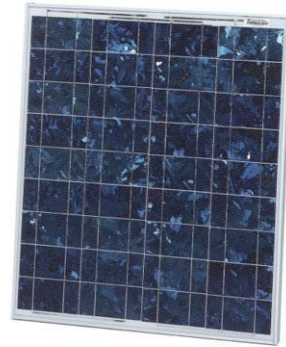
**4 kWp PV system:** means that 4,000 watts (4 kW) is the MAXIMUM it will produce in full sunlight, ie at  $1,000 \text{ W/m}^2$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$  & 1.5 Air Mass

# Types of Solar PV cell

- **Crystalline Silicon PV**



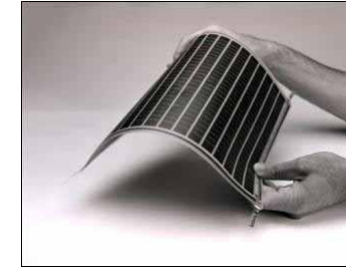
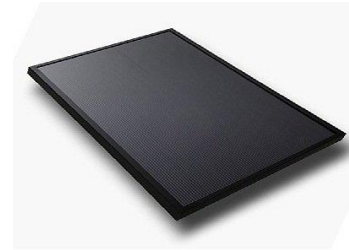
Mono crystalline



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**



- 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
- Types of Thin-film : Amorphous Silicon, CIS/CIGS, Dye-sensitized, Organic, CdTe, Micro-crystalline & Micromorphous

- Others like Hetero-junction intrinsic thin layer (HIT), Organic & Gallium Arsenide



## Types of Solar PV cell...cont'd

| Cell Technology          | Crystalline Silicon                                                                                                                    | Thin Film                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Types of Technology      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mono-crystalline silicon (c-Si)</li> <li>• Poly-crystalline silicon (pc-Si/ mc-Si)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amorphous silicon (a-Si)</li> <li>• Cadmium Telluride (CdTe)</li> <li>• Copper Indium Gallium Selenide (CIG/ CIGS)</li> <li>• Organic photovoltaic (OPV/ DSC/ DYSC)</li> </ul> |
| Temperature Coefficients | Higher                                                                                                                                 | Lower<br>(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           | Kyocera, Evergreen, Q-Cell<br>Sanyo, Schuco,<br>Canadian Solar, Sharp,<br>Yingli, ET Solar, Solon, Schott,<br>Conergy, REC, Solarworld | First Solar, Solyndra, UniSolar,<br>Konarka, Dye Solar, Bosch Solar,<br>Sharp, Abound Solar                                                                                                                             |

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

# Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

## 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  $1,000 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$
  - Cell temperature of  $25 \text{ deg C}$
  - Solar spectrum of Air Mass (AM) 1.5 ( $48.2^\circ$ )
- 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  $800 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$
  - Ambient temperature of  $20 \text{ deg C}$
  - Solar spectrum of Air Mass (AM) 1.5
  - Wind speed of  $1.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$



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<sup>1</sup> APT test conditions according to IEC/TS 62804-1:2015, method B (-1500V, 168h)  
<sup>2</sup> See data sheet on rear for further information.

### THE IDEAL SOLUTION FOR:

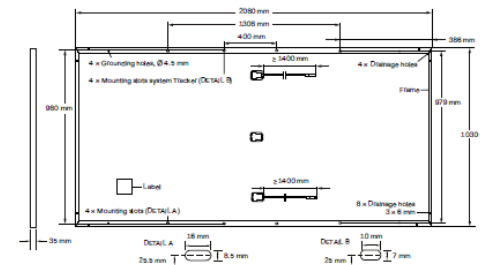


Engineered in Germany

**Q CELLS**

## MECHANICAL SPECIFICATION

|              |                                                                                                                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Format       | 2080 mm × 1030 mm × 35 mm (including frame)                                                                                    |
| Weight       | 24.5 kg                                                                                                                        |
| Front Cover  | 3.2 mm thermally pre-stressed glass with anti-reflection technology                                                            |
| Back Cover   | Composite film                                                                                                                 |
| Frame        | Anodised aluminium                                                                                                             |
| Cell         | 6 × 24 monocrystalline Q.ANTUM solar half cells                                                                                |
| Junction box | 53-101 mm × 32-60 mm × 15-18 mm<br>Protection class IP67, with bypass diodes                                                   |
| Cable        | 4 mm <sup>2</sup> Solar cable; (+) ≥1400 mm, (-) ≥1400 mm                                                                      |
| Connector    | Stäubli MC4-Evo2, Hanwha Q CELLS HQC4, Amphenol UTX, Renhe 05-8, JMTHY JM601A, Tongling Cable01S-F; IP68 or Friends PV2e; IP67 |

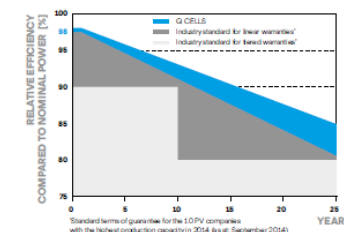


## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

| POWER CLASS                                                                                     |                                    | 415                  | 420   | 425   | 430   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| MINIMUM PERFORMANCE AT STANDARD TEST CONDITIONS, STC <sup>1</sup> (POWER TOLERANCE +5 W / -0 W) |                                    |                      |       |       |       |
| Minimum                                                                                         | Power at MPP <sup>1</sup>          | P <sub>MPP</sub> [W] | 415   | 420   | 425   |
|                                                                                                 | Short Circuit Current <sup>1</sup> | I <sub>SC</sub> [A]  | 10.69 | 10.74 | 10.78 |
|                                                                                                 | Open Circuit Voltage <sup>1</sup>  | V <sub>OC</sub> [V]  | 48.59 | 48.84 | 49.09 |
|                                                                                                 | Current at MPP                     | I <sub>MPP</sub> [A] | 10.18 | 10.22 | 10.27 |
|                                                                                                 | Voltage at MPP                     | V <sub>MPP</sub> [V] | 40.77 | 41.08 | 41.39 |
|                                                                                                 | Efficiency <sup>1</sup>            | η [%]                | ≥19.4 | ≥19.6 | ≥19.8 |
| MINIMUM PERFORMANCE AT NORMAL OPERATING CONDITIONS, NMOT <sup>2</sup>                           |                                    |                      |       |       |       |
| Minimum                                                                                         | Power at MPP                       | P <sub>MPP</sub> [W] | 310.8 | 314.5 | 318.3 |
|                                                                                                 | Short Circuit Current              | I <sub>SC</sub> [A]  | 8.61  | 8.65  | 8.69  |
|                                                                                                 | Open Circuit Voltage               | V <sub>OC</sub> [V]  | 45.82 | 46.05 | 46.29 |
|                                                                                                 | Current at MPP                     | I <sub>MPP</sub> [A] | 8.01  | 8.05  | 8.08  |
|                                                                                                 | Voltage at MPP                     | V <sub>MPP</sub> [V] | 38.79 | 39.09 | 39.38 |

<sup>1</sup> Measurement tolerances P<sub>MPP</sub> ± 3%; I<sub>SC</sub>; V<sub>OC</sub> ± 5% at STC: 1000 W/m<sup>2</sup>, 25 ± 2°C, AM 1.5 according to IEC 60904-3 • \*800 W/m<sup>2</sup>, NMOT, spectrum AM 1.5

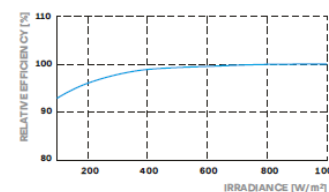
### Q CELLS PERFORMANCE WARRANTY



At least 98% of nominal power during first year. Thereafter max. 0.54% degradation per year. At least 93.1% of nominal power up to 10 years. At least 85% of nominal power up to 25 years.

All data within measurement tolerances. Full warranties in accordance with the warranty terms of the Q CELLS sales organisation of your respective country.

### PERFORMANCE AT LOW IRRADIANCE



Typical module performance under low irradiance conditions in comparison to STC conditions (25°C, 1000 W/m<sup>2</sup>).

### TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENTS

|                                             |   |       |       |                                            |      |       |        |
|---------------------------------------------|---|-------|-------|--------------------------------------------|------|-------|--------|
| Temperature Coefficient of I <sub>SC</sub>  | α | [%/K] | +0.04 | Temperature Coefficient of V <sub>OC</sub> | β    | [%/K] | -0.27  |
| Temperature Coefficient of P <sub>MPP</sub> | γ | [%/K] | -0.35 | Normal Module Operating Temperature        | NMOT | [°C]  | 43 ± 3 |

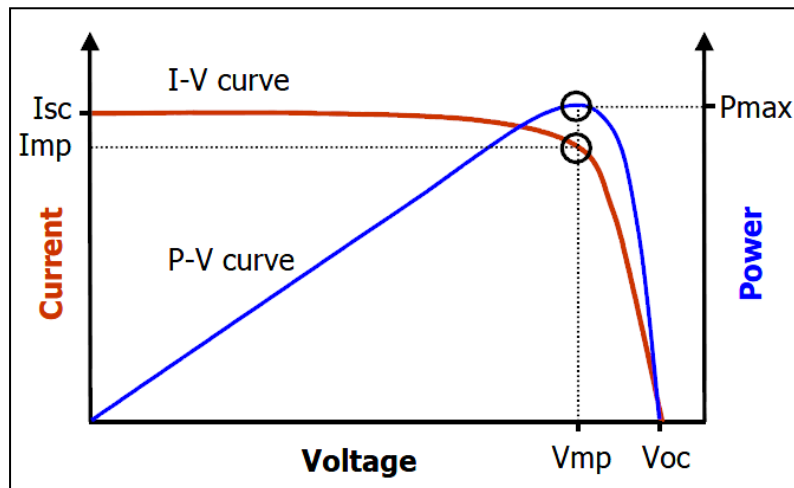
## PROPERTIES FOR SYSTEM DESIGN

|                               |                      |                      |                                                 |               |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Maximum System Voltage        | V <sub>sys</sub> [V] | 1500 (IEC)/1500 (UL) | Safety Class                                    | II            |
| Maximum Reverse Current       | I <sub>R</sub> [A]   | 20                   | Fire Rating based on ANSI / UL 1703             | C / TYPE 1    |
| Max. Design Load, Push / Pull | [Pa]                 | 3600/1600            | Permitted Module Temperature on Continuous Duty | -40°C - +85°C |
| Max. Test Load, Push / Pull   | [Pa]                 | 5400/2400            |                                                 |               |

# Photovoltaic Modules

## 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



Characteristics of a PV modules

### 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

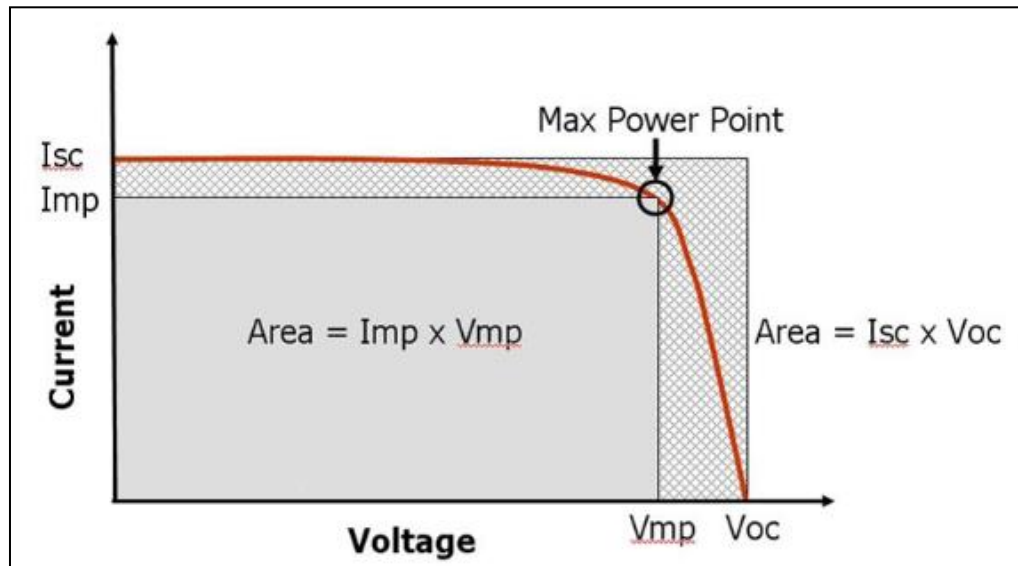
$I_{mp}$  = Current at maximum power in A

# Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

## 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

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



Where :

$V_{oc}$  = 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



# Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

## Characterization of PV modules

- Efficiency,  $\eta$  represents the efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{I_{mp} \times V_{mp}}{G \times A} = \frac{P_{mp}}{G \times A}$$

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 ( $G = 1,000 W/m^2$ ).*

*It should not be used as the only parameter in determining the quality of the module.*

## Exercise 2: (10 minutes & 5 minutes discussion)

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- 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?

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{415 \text{ W}}{\text{FF}} : \frac{40.77 \times 10.13}{43.59 \times 10.69} \\ & = \underline{0.799} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{430 \text{ W}}{\text{FF}} = 0.805 \end{aligned}$$

$P_{\text{total}}$





LUNCH TIME



# Standard & Test Conditions

- The electrical rating of PV module are rated at Standard Test Condition (STC)
  - Irradiance  $1,000\text{W/m}^2$
  - Cell temperature  $25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - Solar Spectrum AM1.5
- Also, can be referred at Nominal Operating Cell Temperature (NOCT)
  - Irradiance  $800\text{ W/m}^2$
  - Ambient temperature  $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - Solar Spectrum AM1.5
  - Wind Speed  $1.0\text{ m/s}$

# Electrical Performance

- Outputs of Installed PV system at site may differ from STC and operated at Real Operating Condition (ROC)
  - Irradiance
  - Temperature
  - Site conditions – due to location

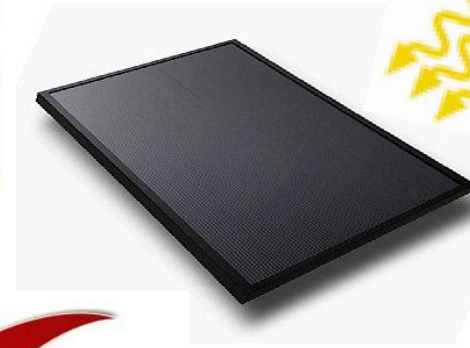
# Issues of PV Technology

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## Low efficiency

- Most solar panel have less than 20% efficiency. 80% of the solar radiation is not converted into electricity
- Current highest solar panel efficiency
  - SunPower (22.2%)
  - LG (21.1%)
  - Solartech Universal (20.2%)
  - Silfab (20%)
  - Solaria (19.4%)

**Electricity  
generation**



100% useful  
energy from  
sun

## Effect on Temperature

- High temperature resulted in lower Power production
- Temperature coefficient
- The higher the panel temperature the lower the power generated. More heat produce as losses



**Heat, losses**

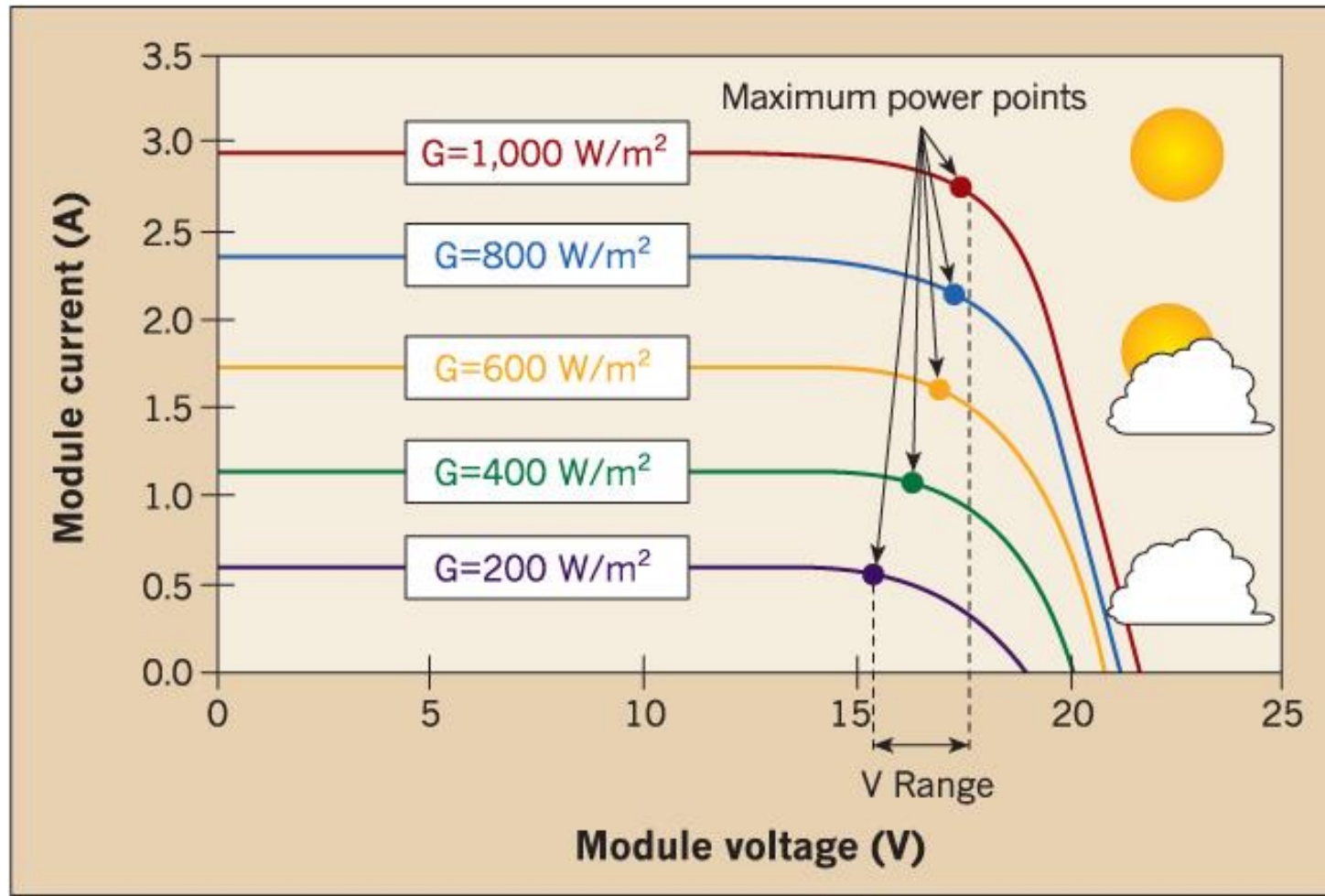
20 – 30% loss of power due to  
PV panel temperature  
(average symptom in hot,  
tropical region)

## Land requires



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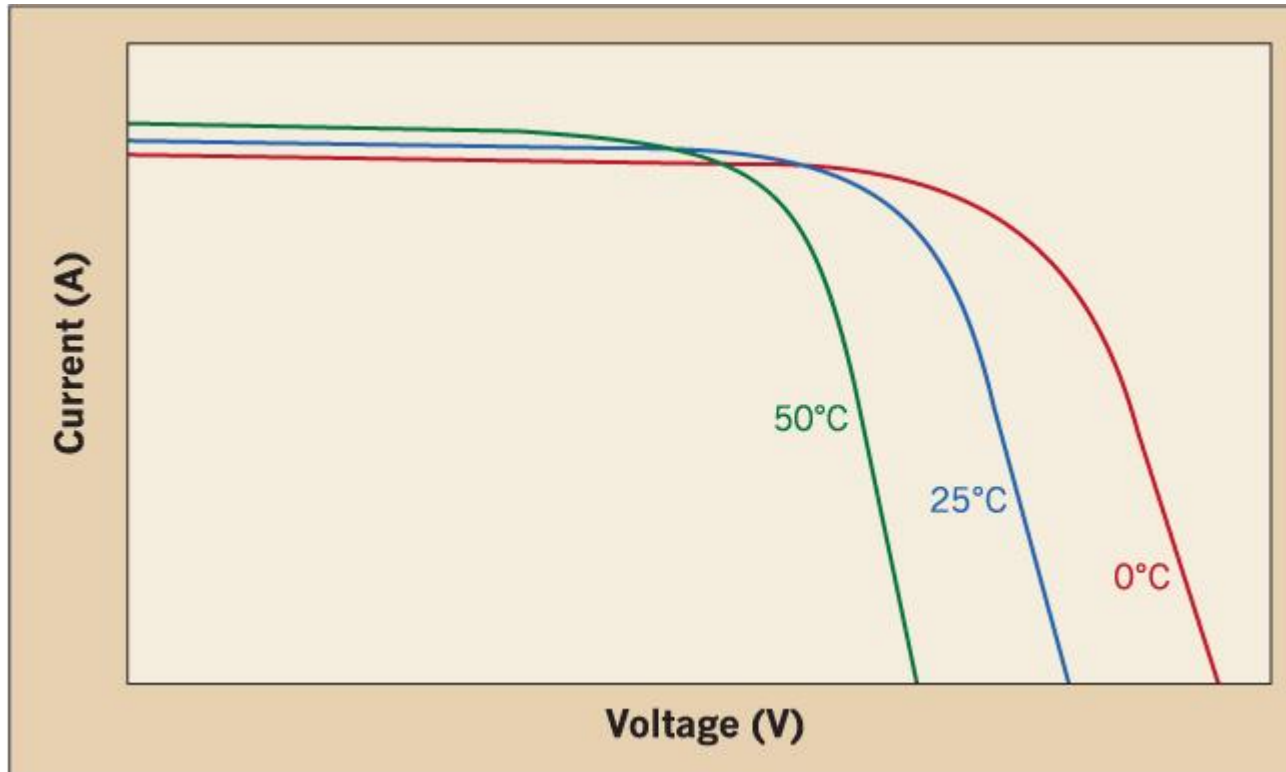
## Effect of Irradiance



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

## Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

### Effect of temperature



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

- The output of PV module is affected 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

# 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)
- $\gamma_{P_{mp}}$  (Temperature coefficient for Maximum Power)
- $\gamma_{I_{sc}}$  (Temperature coefficient for short circuit current)
- $\gamma_{V_{oc}}$  (Temperature coefficient for open circuit voltage)
- $\gamma_{V_{mp}}$  (Temperature coefficient for voltage at maximum power)
- $\gamma_{I_{mp}}$  (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

$$f_{temp\_x} = y_x \times (T_{cell} - T_{stc})$$

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

$$P_{SK} = 4 \text{ kW} \times \text{PSF}$$

25°C

$E_{daily}$   $P_{real}$   
mV

$$-0.35\%$$

0-39

# Determining cell operating temperature

- Formula to calculate cell or module temperature:

①

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

$T_{NOCT}$

$G_{NOCT}$

1,000 W/m<sup>2</sup>

900 W/m<sup>2</sup>

43°C ± 3°C

$T_{cell}$  = temperature of cell during operation (°C)

NOCT = given by manufacturer (°C)

$T_{amb}$  = ambient average temperature during operation (°C)

G = irradiance at ambient temperature (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

If NOCT is not available;

②

$$T_{cell} = T_{amb} + 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$

# For Irradiance

10k



- Derating factor due to irradiance effect

$$- f_g = \frac{G}{1,000 \text{ W/m}^2}$$

1,000 900

–  $f_g$  is peak sun factor (decimal)

- Hence, by combining the factors;

$$- P_{roc} = P_{stc} \times f_{power\_deration}$$

400 0.89 1 0.98

\*  $f_{power\_deration} = f_{mm\_p} \times f_{temp\_p} \times f_g \times f_{dirt} \times f_{age}$

0.99 0.89 1 0.98

$$f_{current\_deration} = f_{mm\_i} \times f_{temp\_i} \times f_g \times f_{dirt}$$

$$f_{voltage\_deration} = f_{mm\_v} \times f_{temp\_v}$$

$P_{tolerance} = 1\%$

$dirt = 2\%$

$0.95 = 0.899$

0.5% / yr.

$400 \times 0.899$

→ 359.6 W 1,000 W/m<sup>2</sup>



## Exercise 4: 15 minutes

- Refer to the datasheet given,  $G$  is given at 900 W/m<sup>2</sup>;  
– 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

rounded  
dirt  
annually  
avg! 1,000

$f_{inh} = 1$   
 $f_{age} = 1$

$$T_{\text{cell}} = 30^{\circ}\text{C} + \left[ \frac{43 - 20}{800} \right] \times \underline{900} \quad f_g = 0.9$$

$$= 55.88^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$f_{\text{Temp-Pop}} = 1 + \left[ \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (55.88 - 25) \right]$$

$$= 1 - 0.108 = 0.8919$$

$$P_{\text{r6C}} = P_{\text{STC}} \times f_{\text{Temp}} \times f_{\text{dirt}} \times f_g$$

$$= 430 \times 0.8919 \times 0.98 \times 0.9$$

$$= \underline{\underline{363.88 \text{ Wp}}}$$

$$f_{\text{Temp-}I_{\text{sc}}} = 1 + \left[ \frac{0.04}{100} \times (55.88 - 25) \right]$$

$$= 1.012$$

$$f_{\text{Tag}} = \frac{P_{\text{Tag}} (V_{\text{Tag}})}{I_{\text{Tag}}}$$

$$f = \frac{I_{\text{sc}}}{V_{\text{oc}}}$$

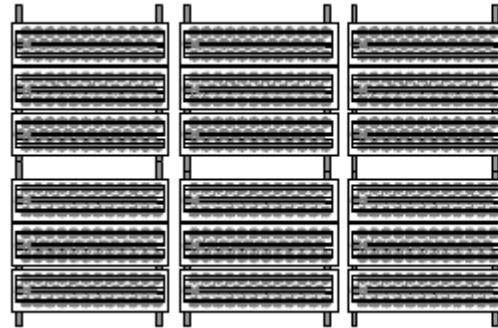
$$\underline{I_{\text{sc-oc}}} = I_{\text{STC}} \times 1.012 \times 0.9 \times 0.98$$

$$= \underline{\underline{9.205 \text{ A}}}$$

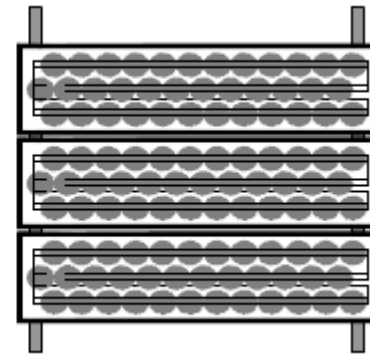
# Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

## 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)



**Array**



**String**



# Photovoltaic Modules...cont'd

## Array Configuration

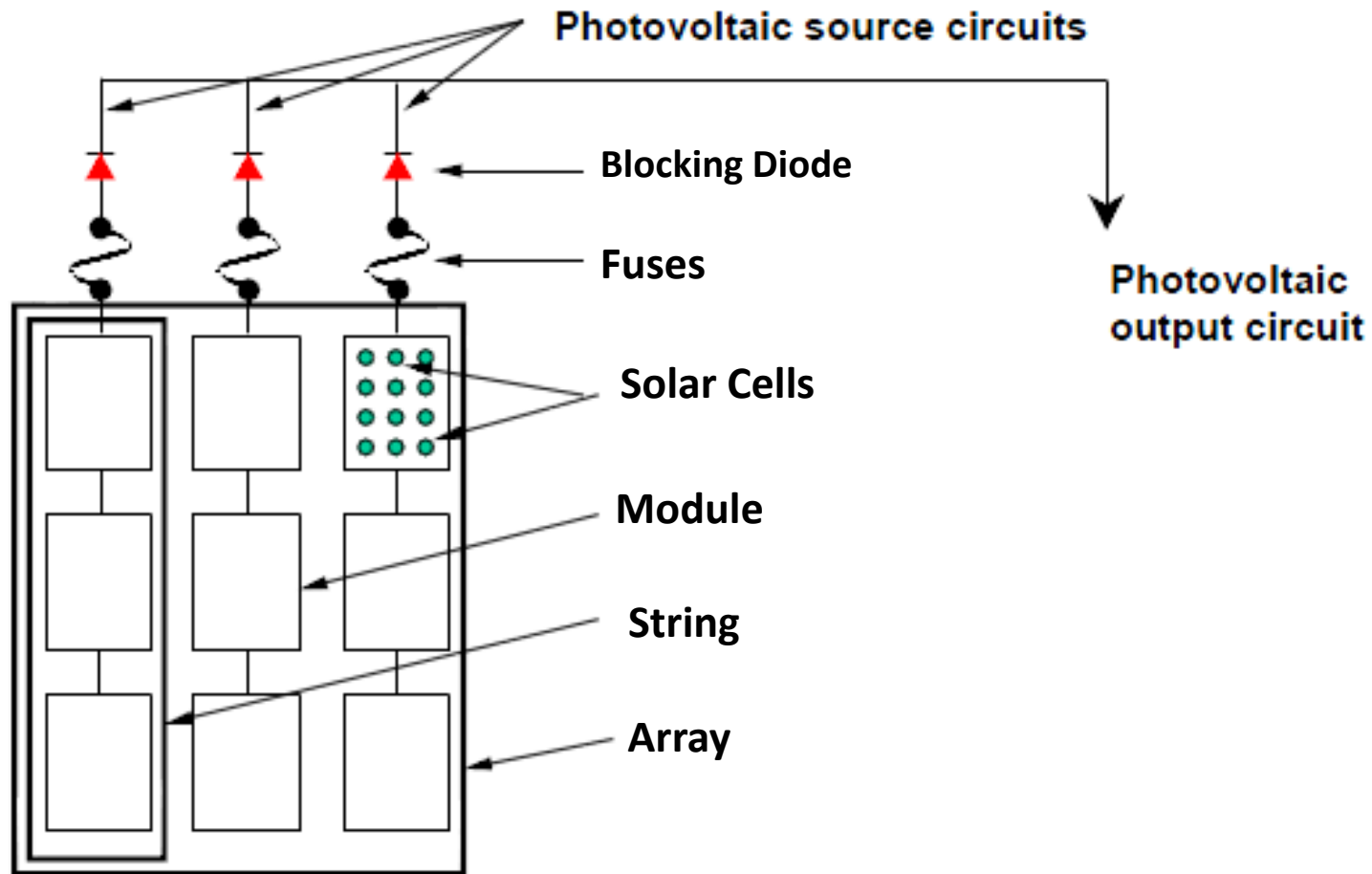


Illustration of string and array

### Exercise 3: (20 minutes & 5 minutes discussion)

- 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)?

# Spesifikasi & Standard MS1837

## *Installation of grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) system*

- This MS sets out the general installation requirements for GCPV arrays with DC open circuit voltage up to 1,500V
  - Includes PV array configuration
    - Single string modules
    - Multi-string PV array
    - PV array divided into several sub-arrays
- Provide guidelines on GCPV system installation, electrical safety & fire protection requirements



# Spesifikasi & Standard MS IEC 62093

*Balance of system components for photovoltaic system – Design qualification natural environments*

- Adoption to IEC 62093
- Describes the requirements for design qualification of BOS components
- Suitable for indoor, conditioned or unconditioned, or outdoor
- Some components such as batteries, inverters, charge controllers, system diode, heat sinks, surge protectors, system junction boxes, MPPT & switch gear
- Includes test procedures of BOS to determine performance characteristics



**TAKE SOME REST & SEE U TOMORROW**

# KURSUS DESIGNING OF GRID CONNECTED SOLAR PV SYSTEMS (11 – 13 OKTOBER 2021)



| MASA         | 8.30 Pg - 9.00 Pg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 9.00 Pg - 10.30 Pg                                                                                                                                                           | 10.30 pg<br>-<br>11.00 Pg | 11.00 Pg - 1.00 tgh                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1.00 ptg<br>-<br>2.30 Ptg | 2.30 Ptg - 4.30 Ptg                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| HARI         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                              |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| HARI PERTAMA | PEMBUKAAN & PRE TEST                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u>SLOT 1</u><br>Fundamental of RE Technology<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Background<br>- RE Technology<br>- Solar PV system<br>Kaedah : Ceramah                                  | REHAT : MINUM PAGI        | <u>SLOT 2</u><br>Asas kejuruteraan Sistem Solar Photovoltaic (PV)<br><br>Kandungan :<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS1837<br>- Basic earth geography<br>- Solar-earth-collector geometry<br>- Availability of solar energy<br>Kaedah: Ceramah    | REHAT : MAKAN TENGAHARI   | <u>SLOT 3</u><br>Teknologi Solar PV & Balance of System (BOS)<br><br>Kandungan :<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS62093<br>- PV cells, modules, string & array<br>- Electrical performance<br>- Balance of System components<br>Kaedah : Ceramah |
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| HARI KEDUA   | <u>SLOT 4</u><br>Teknologi Solar PV & Balance of System (BOS) – (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Connection to the grid<br>- Interconnection issues<br>Kaedah : Ceramah                                                                                 | <u>SLOT 5</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Dimensioning of PV array<br>- Sizing of PV array to inverter<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan |                           | <u>SLOT 6</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV - (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Dimensioning of PV array<br>- Sizing of PV array to inverter<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan                                                     |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| HARI KETIGA  | <u>SLOT 7</u><br>Rekabentuk sistem grid connected solar PV - (sambungan)<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Sizing of BOS components<br>- Penyediaan lukisan skematik<br>- System performance & evaluation<br>- Key performance indices<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & latihan | <u>SLOT 8</u><br>Kerja berkumpulan<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Case study of solar PV grid connected design<br>Kaedah : Latihan berkumpulan                                       |                           | <u>SLOT 9</u><br>Pemasangan sistem (hands-on), operasi & penyelenggaraan<br><br>Kandungan:<br>- Spesifikasi & standard MS2692<br>- Testing and commissioning<br>- Operation and maintenance<br>Kaedah : Ceramah & Latihan Hands-on di lapangan |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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# Energy Resources

- 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

# Connection to the Grid

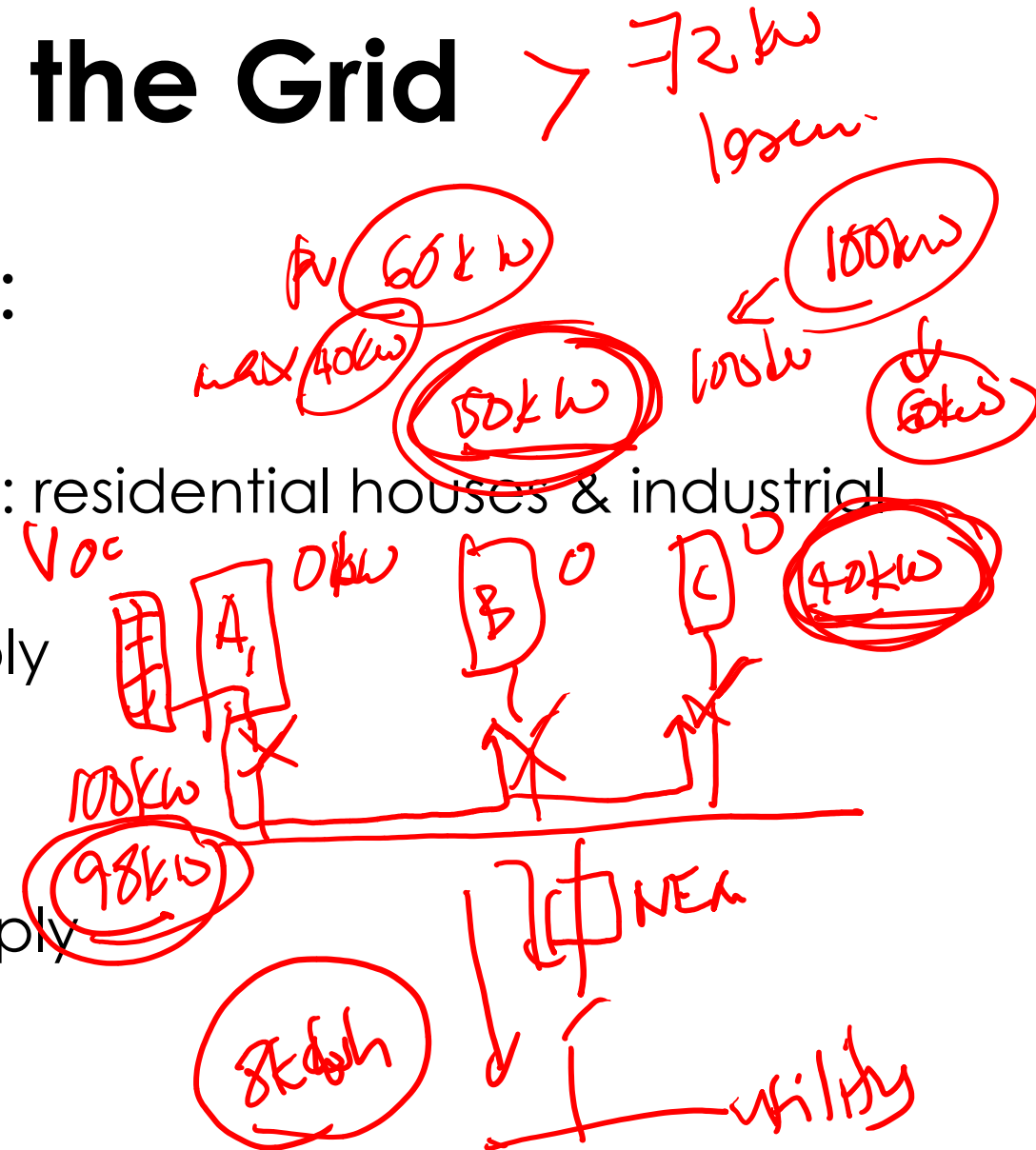
- GCPV can be categorised as:

- Distributed system

- Small to medium sized systems, eg: residential houses & industrial premises
- Connected to LV side of grid supply

- Centralised system

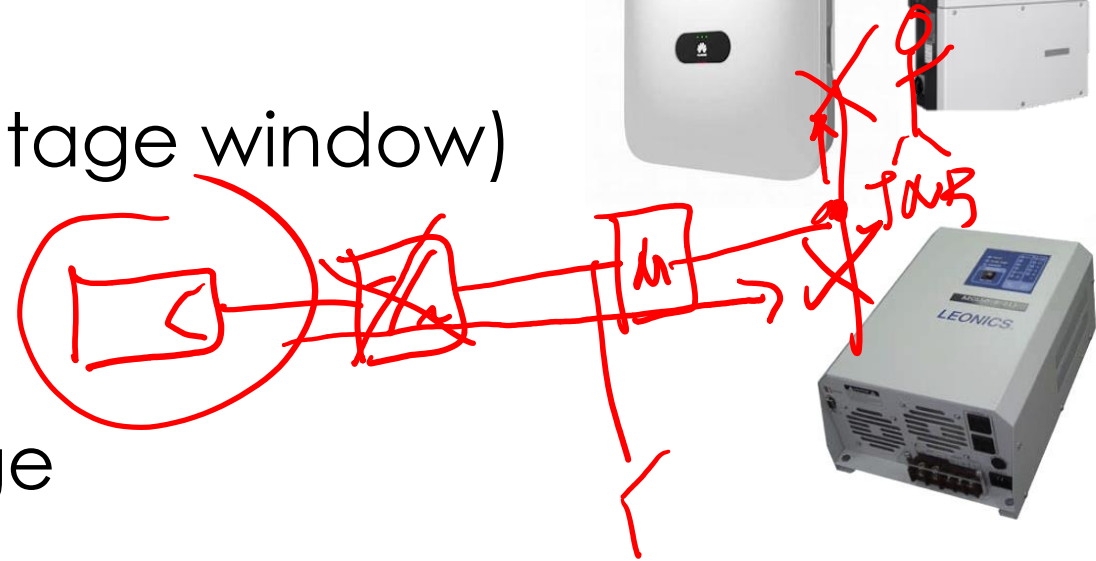
- Large scale GCPV, eg: solar farm
- Connected at MV side of grid supply



# Balance of System (BOS) Components

## *Grid Inverter*

- DC to AC conversion
- Works with the presence of grid voltage
- Standard Features
  - Maximum input voltage
  - Input voltage window (MPP voltage window)
  - Rated & maximum AC power
  - Operating frequency
  - Range of operating grid voltage
  - Anti-islanding detection
  - Etc...refer to data sheet







**SMA ShadeFix**  
STRING LEVEL OPTIMIZATION

## Higher yields for private homes – intelligent solar power generation

The new Sunny Boy 3.0–6.0 enters maximum energy yields for private homes. This inverter combines the integrated Services SMA Smart Connected service and intelligent technology for all ambient requirements. Thanks to its extremely light design, the device can be installed quickly and easily. The Sunny Boy can be commissioned quickly via smartphone or tablet thanks to its integrated web interface. For specific requirements on the roof, such as shading, the TS4-R module optimizers can be added into the system, with all communication and monitoring facilitated through the inverter. Current communication standards make the inverter future-proof, meaning intelligent energy management solutions as well as SMA storage solutions can be flexibly added anytime.

15 A  
per mpy

# Grid Inverter

## *Types of GCPV inverter*

### String Inverter

- Single phase grid inverter
- Multiple PV string can be combined in the Array Junction Box (AJB) before connected to string inverter
- Maximum DC current should not be exceeded



### Capacity Rating

Micro inverter

DC power optimiser

String inverter

Central inverter

### Galvanic isolation

Transformer

Transformerless

# Grid Inverter

## *Types of GCPV inverter*

### Central Inverter

- Three phase grid inverter
- Usually used for large scale GCPV as power rating for an inverter can reach up to a few megawatts



### Capacity Rating

Micro inverter

DC power optimiser

String inverter

Central inverter

### Galvanic isolation

Transformer

Transformerless



# Grid Inverter

## *Types of GCPV inverter*

### Micro Inverter

- A small (micro) inverter for each solar panel
- Suitable for installation with different orientation
- Not practical for large solar PV system
- AC voltage & AC current are produced from each panel



### Capacity Rating

Micro inverter

DC power optimiser

String inverter

Central inverter

### Galvanic isolation

Transformer

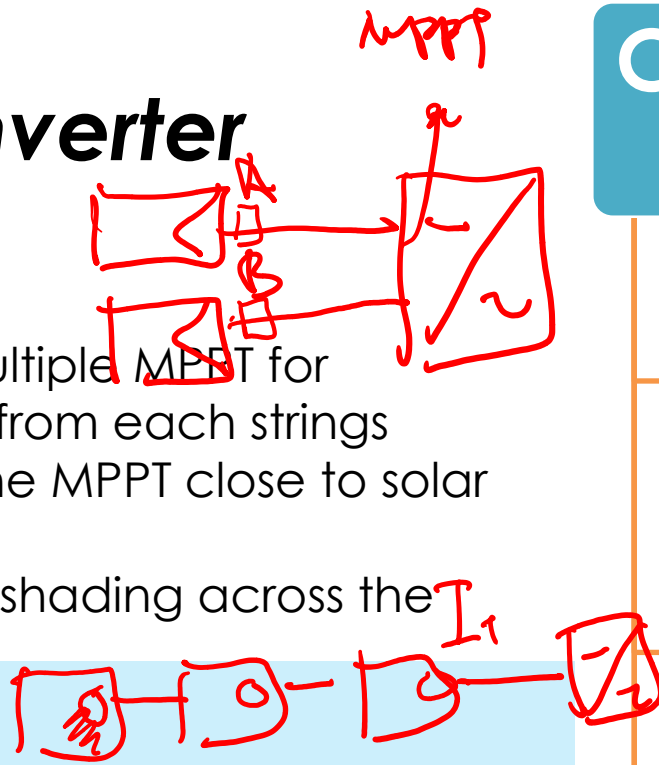
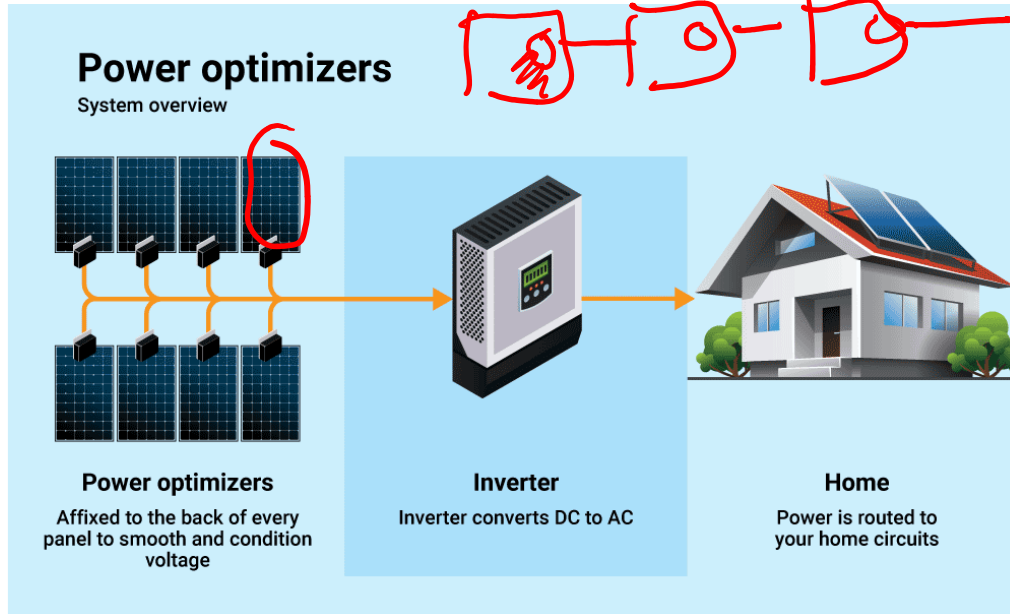
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# Grid Inverter

## Types of GCPV inverter

### DC power optimiser

- Some inverters may have Multiple MPPT for optimum power generation from each strings
- DC power optimiser brings the MPPT close to solar panel
- Reduce the effect of partial shading across the system



### Capacity Rating

Micro inverter

DC power optimiser

String inverter

Central inverter

### Galvanic isolation

Transformer

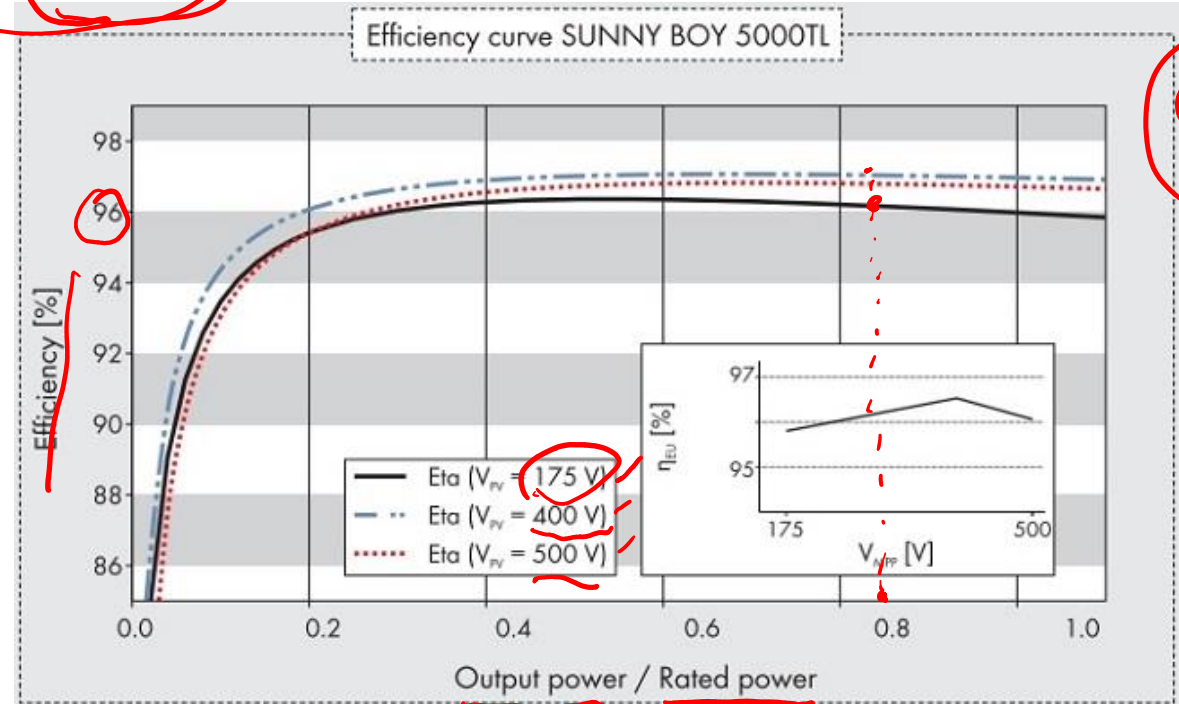
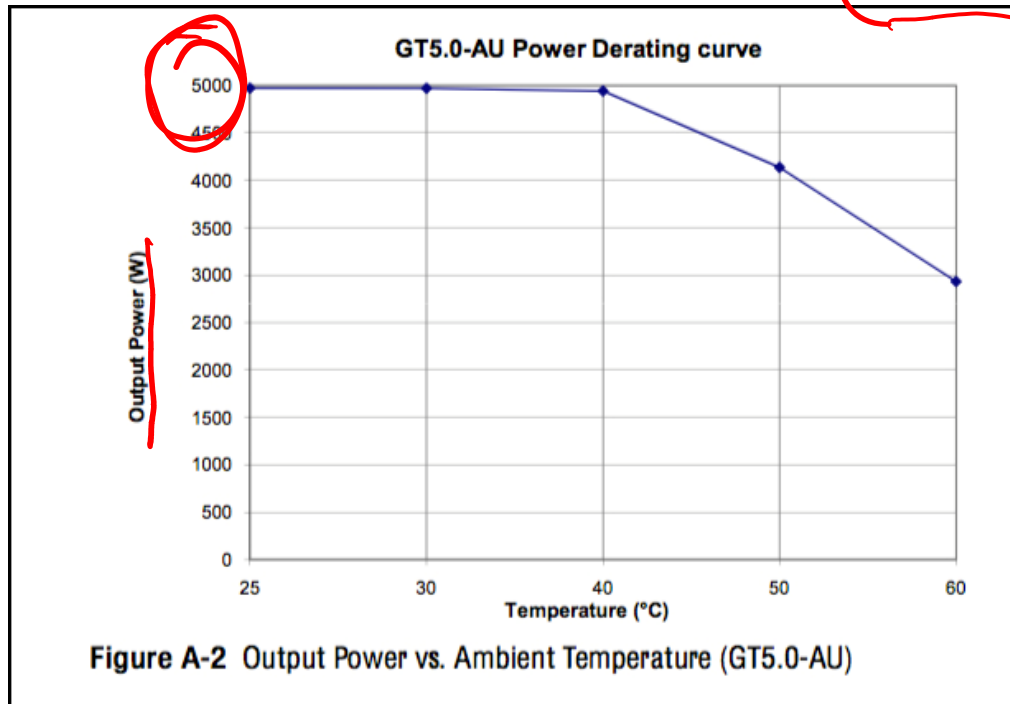
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# Derating Power of Inverters

- Input voltage variation ✓
- Ambient temperature

Handwritten notes:

- $5\text{kw}$  (circled)
- $3.8\text{kw}$  (circled)
- $3.8\text{kw}$  (circled)
- $0.04$
- $X h$
- $100 - 500v$
- $X yr$
- $-25^\circ C - +60^\circ C$  (circled)
- lifetime



Handwritten note: 97% (circled)



# Types of Connection

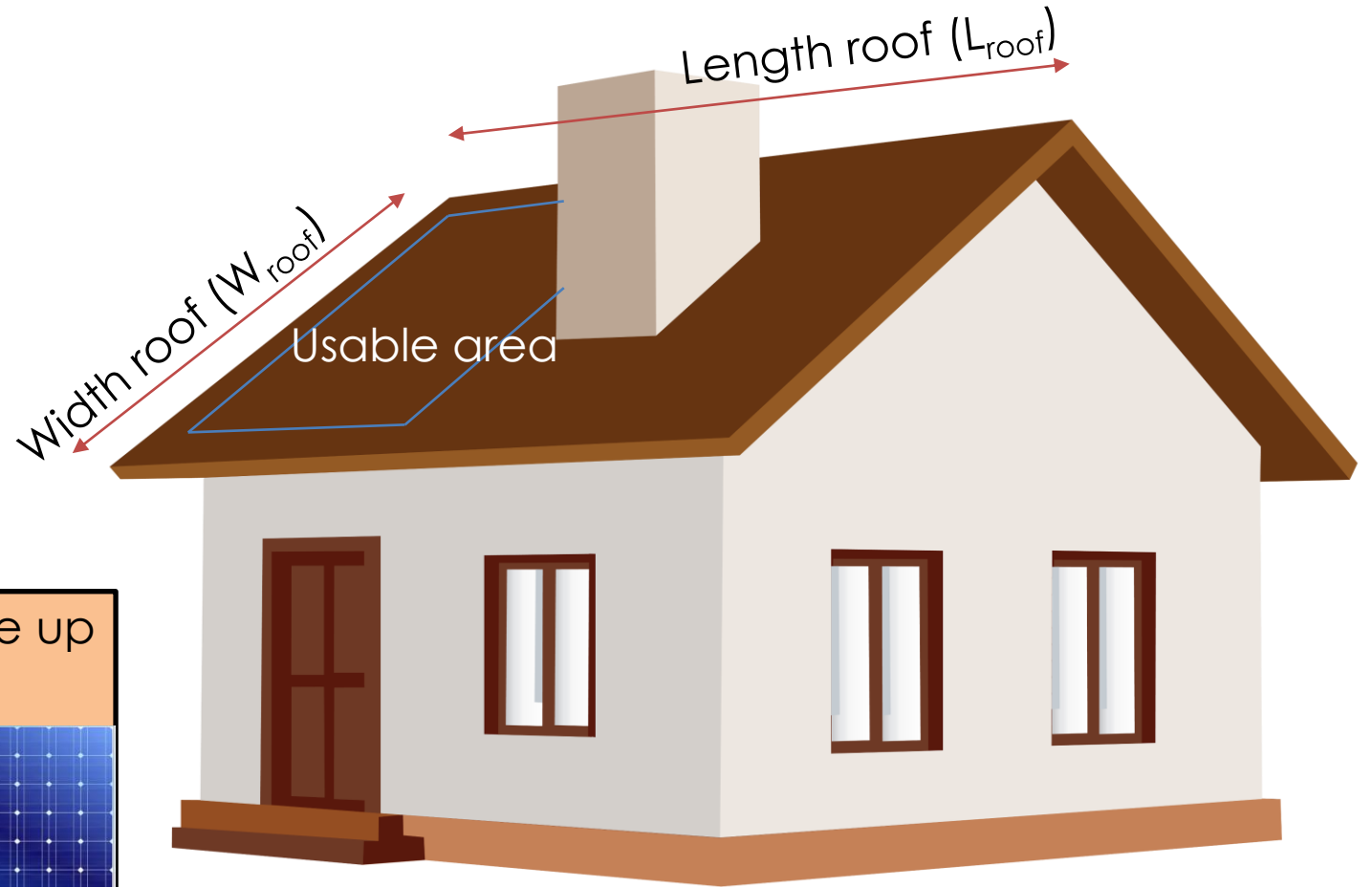
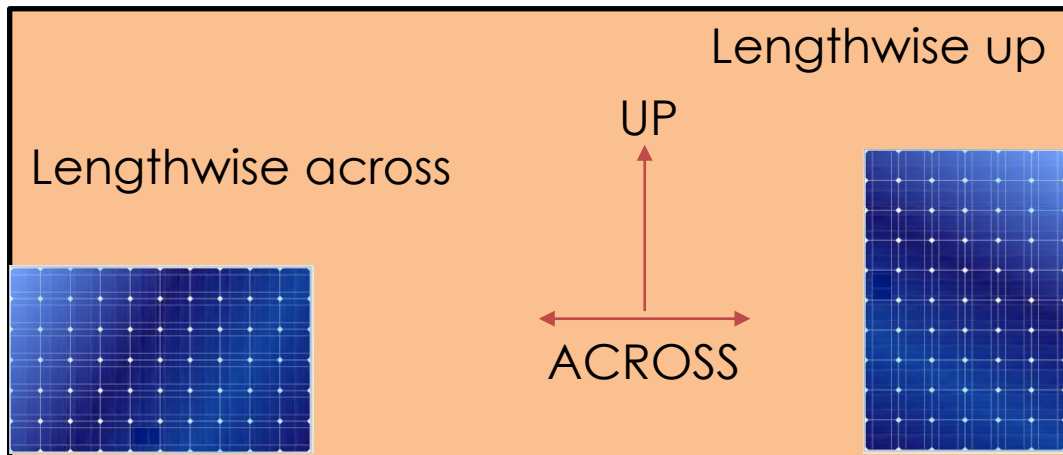
- Direct connection
  - Used for Feed-in-Tarif (FiT)
  - Export all generated power/energy into the grid network
- Indirect connection
  - Used for Net Energy Metering (NEM)
  - Connected to MSB or SSB or DB
  - Energy generated for PV used for building consumption, excess to be exported into the grid network

# CHAPTER 4

## : GCPV system design

# Dimensioning of PV Array

- Architectural constraint
  - Numbers of modules depends on the orientation of the utilisable area





# Dimensioning of PV Array

- Lengthwise across

- $N_{\max\_module\_across} = N_{across\_up} \times N_{across\_across}$

- $N_{across\_up} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{W_{roof}}{W_{mod} + \Delta} \right]$

- $N_{across\_across} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{L_{roof}}{L_{mod} + \Delta} \right]$

- $\Delta$  is the allowed inter-module gap (m)

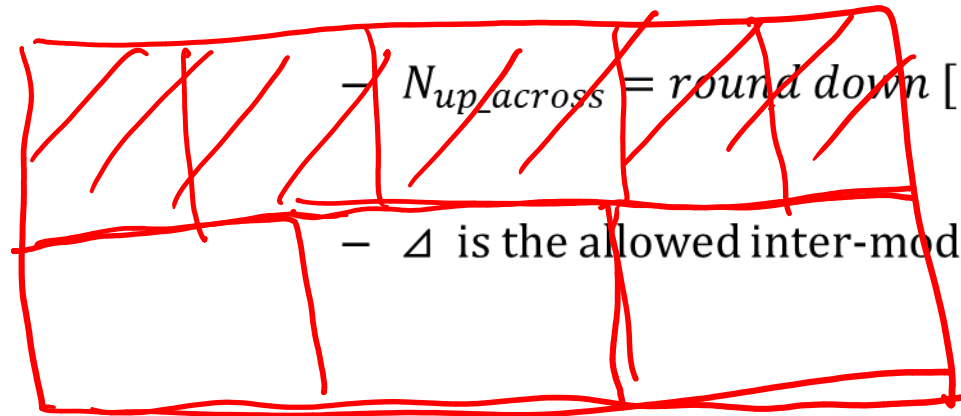
- Lengthwise up

- $N_{\max\_module\_up} = N_{up\_up} \times N_{up\_across}$

- $N_{up\_up} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{W_{roof}}{L_{mod} + \Delta} \right]$

- $N_{up\_across} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{L_{roof}}{W_{mod} + \Delta} \right]$

- $\Delta$  is the allowed inter-module gap (m)



**This step would give an idea to the designer of how much (maximum) modules can be installed**

# Exercise

- An area has utilisable dimension of 30m in length by 15m in width. Inter-module gap is 10mm. Use Q-Cell panel of 420 W to determine the arrangement of maximum panels.

$$\begin{aligned} W &= 1m \\ L &= 2m \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} LWA : \\ N_{\text{row}} &= r.d \left[ \frac{15m}{1m + 0.01} \right] = 14.85 \\ N_{\text{row}} &\approx 14 \\ N_{\text{col}} &= r.d \left[ \frac{30}{2 + 0.01} \right] = 14.92 \\ N_{\text{col}} &\approx 14 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{max}} &= 14.88 \times 14.92 \\ &= 221.56 \text{ panel} \\ &\approx \underline{221 \text{ panel}} \end{aligned}$$

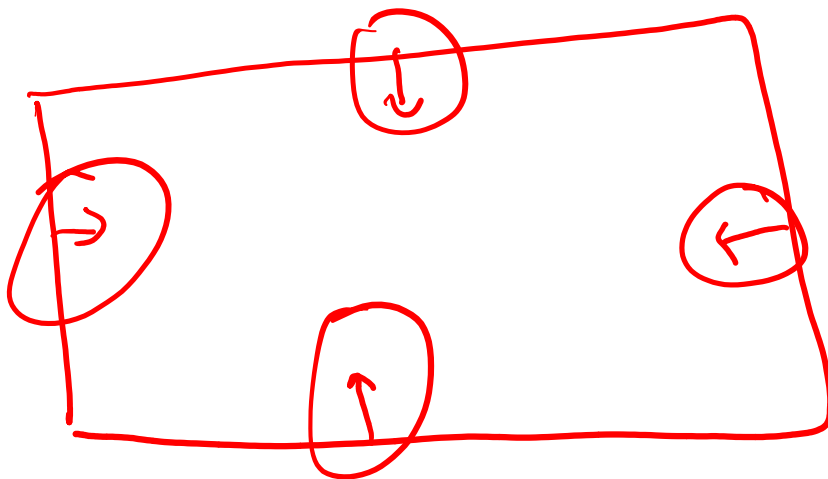
$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{STC}} &= 196 \times 420W \\ &= \underline{82.32 \text{ kW}} \end{aligned}$$

LWU

$$Nu_u = r.d \left[ \frac{\cancel{15}}{2 + 0.01} \right] = 7 \text{ module}$$

$$Nu_a = r.d \left[ \frac{30}{1 + 0.01} \right] = 29$$

$$N_{max} = 203 \quad P_{STC} = \underline{85.26 \text{ kW}}$$





# Dimensioning of PV Array

- Energy constraint

- How much energy required to be generated by the PV (daily, weekly, monthly or annually)

1. Determine the amount of energy supplied by solar PV ✓
2. Determine the minimum power of PV array required ✓
3. Determine the minimum number of PV modules needed ✓

1. 
$$E_{req} = \frac{\varepsilon}{100\%} \times \frac{12}{n} \times \sum_{n=1}^{12} E_n$$

$E_{req}$  is energy required per annum

# Dimensioning of PV Array

2. The minimum power of PV array required can be calculated as:

$$P_{array\_stc} = \frac{E_{req}}{\underbrace{PSH} \times \underbrace{f_{deration}} \times \underbrace{\eta_{sub\_system}}}$$

$P_{array\_stc}$  is power of PV array at STC

PSH is peak sun hour received on plane of array per annum (h)

$$\eta_{sub\_system} = \underbrace{\eta_{cable}} \times \underbrace{\eta_{inv}}$$

# Dimensioning of PV Array

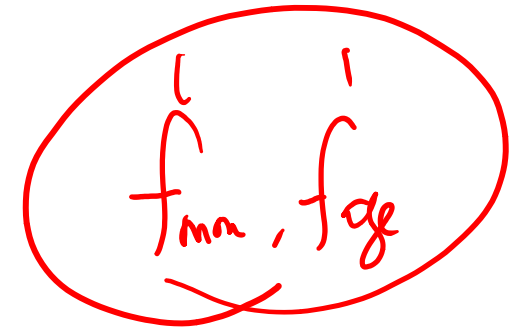
## 3. Minimum number of solar PV modules needed

$$N_{\min\_module} = \text{round up} \left[ \frac{P_{array\_stc}}{P_{module\_stc}} \right]$$

## Exercise

Monthly recorded energy consumption

| Month        | Jan | Feb   | Mar  | Apr | May | Jun |
|--------------|-----|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Energy (kWh) | 900 | 935   | NA   | 600 | 885 | 850 |
| Month        | Jul | Aug   | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec |
| Energy (kWh) | NA  | 1,020 | 950  | 915 | NA  | NA  |



- 70% energy from solar PV
- PSH is 5 hrs daily
- Max ambient Temperature is 36 oC
- 4% loss due to dirt
- 3% cable loss
- 97% inverter efficiency



$$T_{\text{cell}} = 36 + \left[ \left( \frac{43 - 20}{800} \right) \times 1000 \right] = 64.7^\circ\text{C}$$

$$f_{\text{temp}} = 1 + \left[ \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (64.7 - 25) \right] = 0.8655$$

$$f_{\text{orientation}} = 0.8655 \times 0.96 = 0.8309$$

$$E_{\text{ray}} = \frac{70}{100} \times \frac{12}{8} \times (7.055) = \frac{7407.5}{\text{day}} \text{ kWh/yr}$$

$$P_{\text{array}} = \frac{7407.5}{5 \times 365 \times 0.8309 \times 0.97 \times 0.97} = \underline{5.19 \text{ kW}}$$

$$N = \frac{5.19}{0.42} = \underline{13 \text{ modules}}$$

# Dimensioning of PV Array

- Budget constraint
  - Total modules also depends on investment
    1. Set a ceiling for budget
    2. Establish the affordable total PV power
    3. Determine the maximum number PV affordable

$$B = P_{array\_stc} \times k_{index}$$

$B$  is allocated total investment cost

$k_{index}$  is unit rate price for complete PV system (RM/Wp)

# Dimensioning of PV Array

- $N_{\text{max\_module}} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{P_{\text{array\_stc}}}{P_{\text{module\_stc}}} \right]$

$$P_{\text{array}} = \frac{37,500}{5,000} = 7.5 \text{ kW} = 7,500 \text{ W}$$
$$N_{\text{mod}} = \frac{7,500}{420} = 17 \text{ module}$$

- **Exercise**

- Budget available is RM37,500 for GCPV system
- Determine the maximum array capacity, per unit cost is RM5,000/kWp, using Q-Cell 420 Wp

$$B = \underline{\underline{\text{RM } 25,950}}$$

- At this point, designer may have preliminary info in term of area, energy & budget to explain to the client





# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

- Selection of inverter
  - Now we have established the numbers of PV modules required.
  - Next step is to match with the inverter specification.

$$P_{array} \times f_1 \leq P_{nom\_inv} \leq P_{array} \times f_2$$

*$f_1$  &  $f_2$  are the derating factors of PV array (0.9 and 1.0)*

## Exercise

Based on previous exercise, determine the required inverter range.

$$5.19 \times 0.9 \leq P_{\text{nom-inv}} \leq 5.19 \times 1.0$$

$$4.671 \leq P_{\text{nom-inv}} \leq 5.19$$

$$\text{SB } 5.0 - P_{\text{nom-inv}} : 5 \text{ kW} / 5 \text{ kVA}$$

# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

- Range of numbers of modules
  - Nominal power rating of inverter determines the number of PV modules that can be connected to the inverter

$$N_{min} = \text{round up} \left[ \frac{P_{inv\_nom}}{f_2 \times P_{module\_stc}} \right]$$

$$N_{max} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{P_{inv\_nom}}{f_1 \times P_{module\_stc}} \right]$$



# Exercise

- Based on previous exercise (budget constraint), determine:

- the suitable inverter
- Minimum number of PV modules
- Maximum number of PV modules

$$5000 \text{ W } P_{\text{array}} = 7500 \text{ W}$$

$$7500 \times 0.9 \leq P_{\text{inv}} < 7500$$
$$6750 \leq P_{\text{inv}} \leq 7500$$

$$N_{\text{min}} = \frac{7000}{1.0 \times 420} = 17 \text{ mod}$$

$$N_{\text{max}} = \frac{7000}{0.9 \times 420} = 18 \text{ mod}$$



# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

- Limits on voltages of PV module
  - Range of input voltage values ie,  $V_{oc\_max}$ ,  $V_{mp\_max}$  and  $V_{mp\_min}$  are required for safety and functionality of inverter & optimum operation
  - These limits would define the voltage output of PV modules and strings

$$\underline{V_{oc\_max}} = \underline{V_{oc\_stc}} \times \left\{ 1 + \left[ \left( \frac{\beta_{Voc}}{100\%} \right) \times (T_{cell} - T_{stc}) \right] \right\}$$

$V_{oc\_max}$  is the maximum open circuit voltage at real operating condition

# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

- Limits on voltages of PV module
  - The highest allowable voltage of maximum power PV should generate

$$V_{mp\_max} = V_{mp\_stc} \times \left\{ 1 + \left[ \left( \frac{\beta_{Vmp}}{100\%} \right) \times (T_{cell\_min} - T_{stc}) \right] \right\}$$

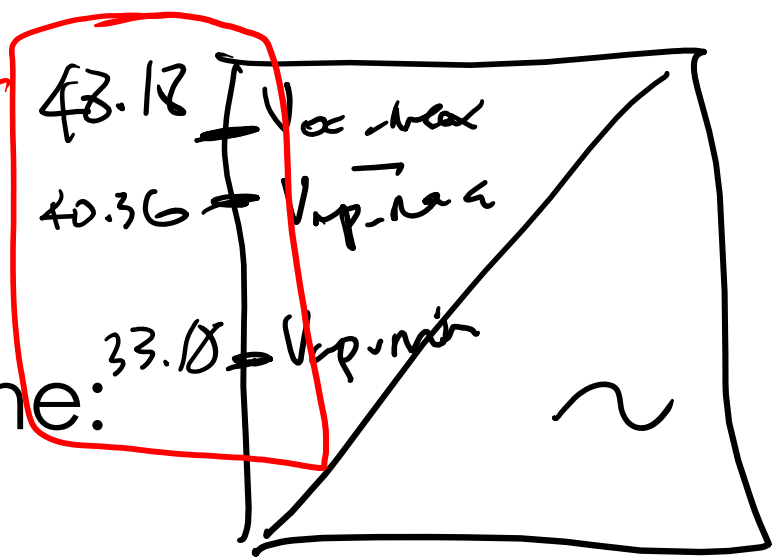
- The lowest voltage of maximum power from PV module

$$V_{mp\_minx} = V_{mp\_stc} \times \left\{ 1 + \left[ \left( \frac{\beta_{Vmp}}{100\%} \right) \times (T_{cell\_max} - T_{stc}) \right] \right\}$$



# Exercise

1 module



- Based on previous exercise, determine:

- Maximum voltage open circuit
- Maximum voltage PV module
- Minimum voltage PV module

11 - 13 module

$$\underline{V_{oc,max}} = 48.84 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.27}{100} \times (20 - 25) \right) \right]$$

$$= 48.18 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{mp,max} = 41.08 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (20 - 25) \right) \right]$$

$$= 40.36 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{mp,min} = 41.08 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (25 - 20) \right) \right]$$

$$= 33.89 \text{ V}$$

→ 11-14 module

# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

14 - 0.95,  $f_5 = 0.97$ ,  $f_6 = 1.1$

## Limits on voltages of PV string (series)

- The voltage generated by PV string must comply with input window of the inverter
- Maximum number of PV modules:

$$N_{s\_max} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{V_{\max\_inv} \times f_4}{V_{mp\_max}} \right]$$

*$N_{s\_max}$  c r. d*  $\left[ \frac{500 \times 0.95}{40.36} \right] = 11$

$$N_{s\_min} = \text{round up} \left[ \frac{V_{\min\_inv} \times f_6}{V_{mp\_min} \times f_5} \right]$$

$N_{s\_min} = 8.11 \left[ \frac{600}{33.89 \times 0.97} \right] = 17$

- **Exercise:** Determine the series configuration of PV modules

$N_s = 6 \dots 11 \text{ module}$

= 6

# Sizing of PV array to Inverter

$$I_{series} = I_{sc}$$

- Parallel string
  - The inverter limits certain number of parallel PV strings, to ensure maximum input current is not exceeded.

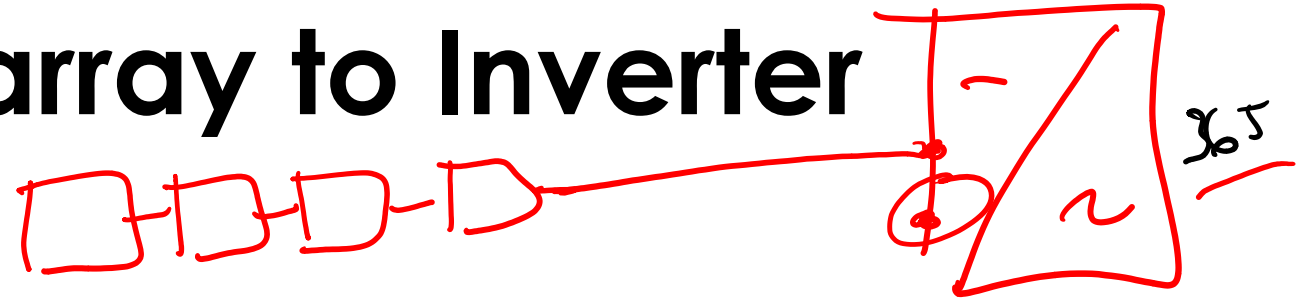
$$N_{p\_max} = \text{round down} \left[ \frac{I_{\max\_inv}}{I_{sc\_string}} \right]$$

- **Exercise:** Determine the maximum parallel string can be connected to the inverter

$$V \uparrow I =$$

$$N_{p\_max} = \text{r.d} \left[ \frac{15}{10.74} \right] = 1$$

# Sizing of PV array to Inverter



- Array Configuration

– At this stage, we now know the PV modules configuration in series & parallel:

$$N_t = N_s \times N_p$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{246.48}{6 \times 1} &= N_s = 6 & P_{STC} &= 2.52 \text{ kW} \checkmark \\ 11 \times 1 &= N_p = 11 & P_{STC} &= 4.62 \text{ kW} \\ 451.89 & & P_{inv} &= 5 \text{ kW} \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise

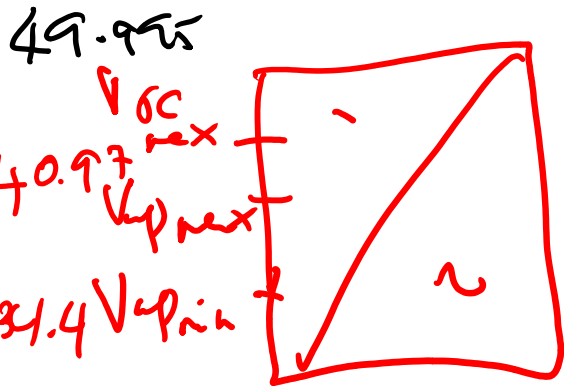
Using Q-Cell 430 Wp and SMA Sunnyboy 5,500 W, determine optimum array configuration & total PV modules.

What is the peak PV array?



$I_{nv} : V_{max} : 170 - 500 V$        $3600 W$        $20^{\circ}C$   
 $I_{max} : 15 A$        $75^{\circ}C$

$PV : 430 W : V_{oc} : 49.33 V$        $I_{sc} : 10.83$   
 $V_{mp} : 41.70$



$$V_{oc_{max}} = 49.33 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.27}{100} \times (20 - 25) \right) \right]$$

$$= 49.995 V$$

$$V_{mp_{max}} = 41.7 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (20 - 25) \right) \right]$$

$$= 40.97 V$$

$$V_{mp_{min}} = 41.7 \times \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{-0.35}{100} \times (75 - 25) \right) \right] = 34.4 V$$

$$N_{S_{max}} = \frac{500 \times 0.95}{46.97} = 11 \text{ modules}$$

$$N_S = 5 \dots 11 \text{ modules}$$

$$N_{S_{min}} = \frac{130 \times 1.1}{34.4 \times 0.97} = 5 \text{ modules}$$

$$N_p = f.d \left[ \frac{13 \times 0.95}{10.83} \right] = 1 \text{ parallel} \quad 36$$

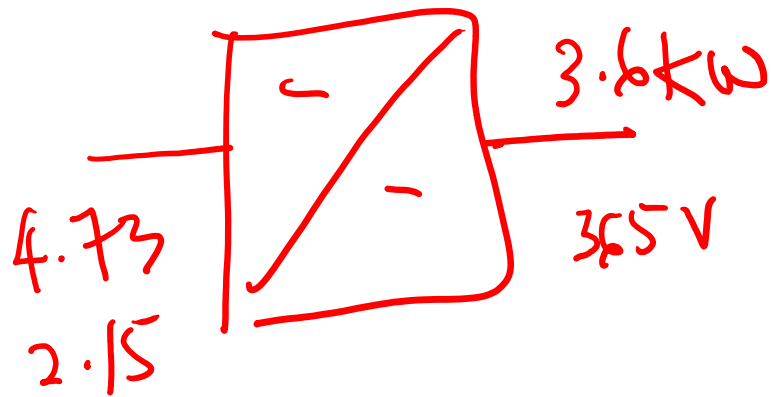
$$N_s = \begin{array}{c} + 8 \times 1 \\ 5 \times 1 \\ - 11 \times 1 \end{array}$$

$$V_{mp-total} = 208.5 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{op-total} = 458.7 \text{ V}$$

$$P_{total} = 2.15 \text{ kw}$$

$$P_{total} = 4.750 \text{ kw}$$



$$N_s = 5 \dots 11$$

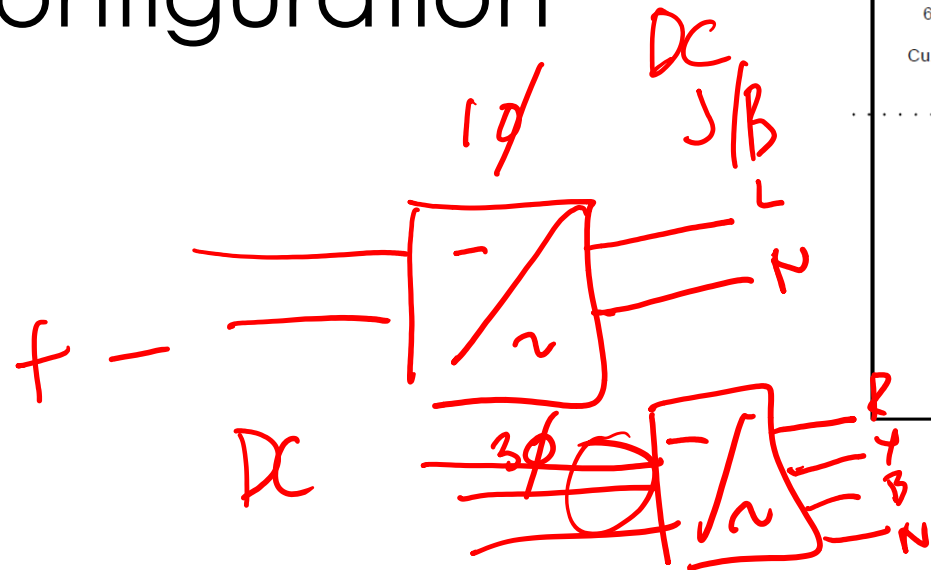
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# Exercise

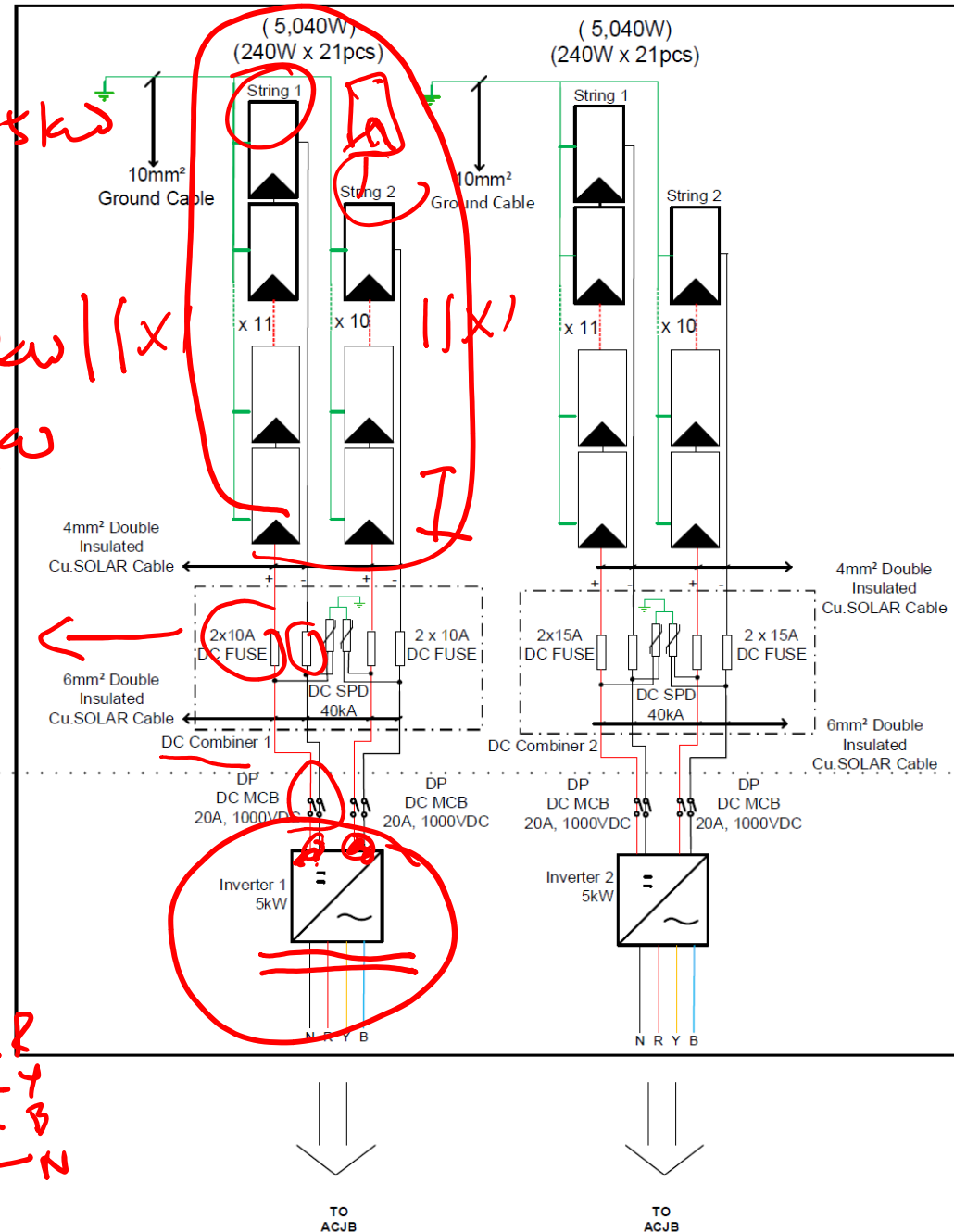
- Given that a client wants to reduce his house annual energy consumption by 60% and he has budget of RM50,000. Determine the best configuration of PV & Inverter according to energy constraint method.
  - Annual energy consumption is 12,600 kWh
  - What would you suggest to him?

40kW → Inv 40kW  
 → redundancy  
 2 x 20kW  
 4 x 10kW  
 11 x 2  
 8 x 5kW

# Example of PV Array & Inverter configuration



PV ARRAY SECTOR 1 (10.08kW)



± 10%

✓



# Sizing of other BOS components

- Current carrying capacity – maximum current carrying capability of a conductor
  - Effects by cross sectional area (mm<sup>2</sup>), type of insulation, & environment

$$I_{\min\_string} \geq 2 \times I_{sc\_stc\_string}$$

$$I_{\min\_array} \geq 1.3 \times I_{sc\_stc\_string}$$

- DC cable
  - Minimum CSA of DC cable can be calculated:

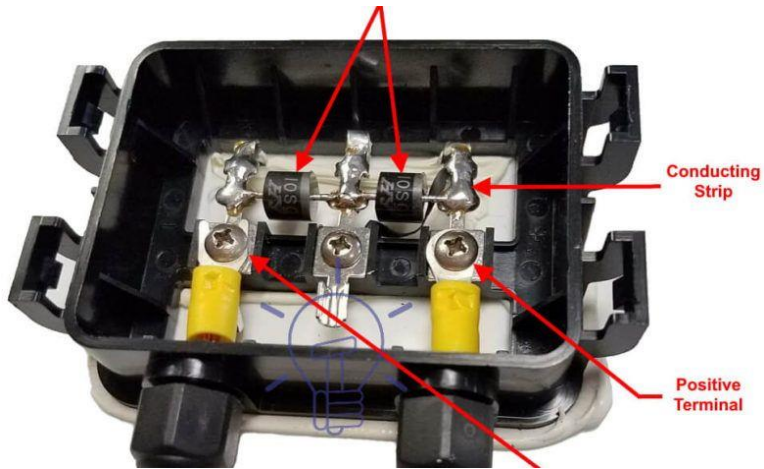
$$A_{\min\_dc\_cable} = \frac{2 \times L_{dc} \times I_{dc} \times \rho}{Loss \times V_{\min\_string}}$$

# Balance of System (BOS) Components

## *Other components*

- AC & DC Cables
- Fuses or OC protection unit
- AC & DC switches
- Array (DC & AC) junction box & combiner box
- Structure
- Connectors
- AC & DC SPD
- Earthing system
- LPS

# Balance of System



By-pass diode

BLUSUNSOLAR®



MC4 connector



Single core DC  
cable for PV

# Sizing of other BOS components

- DC cable

- Voltage insulation rating

$$V_{dc\_cable} \geq 1.2 \times V_{oc\_stc\_array}$$

## Exercise

A PV array using Q-Cell 420W is configured using 8 x 1 arrangement.

Longest length of string cable is 8m & length of array cable is 5m.

Minimum MPPT voltage is 34.4V. Maximum dc current is 10.22A.

Voltage drop is 3% in string cable, 1% in array cable. Find:

- Minimum CSA of string & array cable
- Actual voltage drop in string & array cable
- Voltage insulation rating in string & array cable



# Sizing of other BOS components

- Power & voltage losses

$$P_{dc} = \frac{2 \times L_{dc\_cable} \times (I_{dc})^2 \times \rho}{A_{dc\_cable}}$$

Or

$$P_{dc} = V_{drop\_dc} \times I_{dc}$$

$$\%V_{drop\_dc} = \frac{V_{drop\_dc}}{V_{min} \times N_s} \times 100\%$$

# Sizing of other BOS components

- String fuse
  - MS1837 – string fuse is required on the +ve cable

$$V_{fuse} = 1.2 \times V_{oc\_string\_stc}$$

$$1.5 \times I_{sc\_string} \leq I_{trip} \leq 2 \times I_{sc\_string}$$

$V_{fuse}$  is the voltage rating of string fuse

$I_{trip}$  is tripping current of string fuse

# Sizing of other BOS components

- DC main switch

$$V_{dc_{ms}} = 1.2 \times V_{oc_{array_{stc}}}$$

$$I_{sc_{string}} \geq 1.3 \times I_{sc_{array}}$$

- Surge Protection Device
  - Protects the electronic components from surges. It is recommended that SPD shall be installed:
    - Between each of array DC cables & earth
    - Between each of inverter output AC cable & earth

# System Performance & Evaluation

- Advantages of proper & appropriate system performance monitoring, analysis & reporting:
  - Key indices describes whether the system is operating as designed
  - Data analysis
- Standard for system performance & evaluation
  - MS IEC 61724:2010 – Photovoltaic system performance monitoring: guidelines for measurement, data exchange & analysis
  - IEA PVPS: Task 2 – describe technical information on the system's performance, which highlighted the use of normalized system performance indicators that are energy yields, system efficiency, and performance ratio.



# System Performance & Evaluation

- Key Performance Indices
  - Yield is the amount of energy generated by the system.  
Can be described annually, monthly or daily

$$Y_{exp} = P_{array} \times PSH_{poa} \times f_{deration} \times \eta_{sub\_system}$$

$$Y_{mea} = \text{Actual energy meter reading}$$

- Specific Yield
  - Amount of energy generated per unit capacity (kWh/kWp)

$$SY_{exp} = \frac{Y_{exp}}{P_{array\_stc}}$$

$$SY_{mea} = \frac{Y_{mea}}{P_{array\_stc}}$$

# System Performance & Evaluation

- Performance Ratio
  - Dimensionless quantity of overall quantity of the system, ie; normalised indication of the system

$$PR_{exp} = \frac{Y_{exp}}{Y_{ideal}}$$

$$PR_{mea} = \frac{Y_{mea}}{Y_{ideal}}$$

$$Y_{ideal} = P_{array\_stc} \times PSH_{poa}$$

# Assignment

- GCPV system is required at N 45.76, E 78.48
- Based on the data sheet, design and configure an optimum configuration of a GCPV system:
  - Total energy consumption per year is 145,800 kWh
  - Energy saving of 75%
  - Area availability is 600 m<sup>2</sup>
  - No budget constraint
  - Insert all assumption and factors
- Determine the BOS rating & sizing
- Produce the schematic diagram of the complete system
- Determine the performance indices