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THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF A 10 kWp GRID-CONNECTED PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAY SYSTEM

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INSTALLATION OF A 10 KWP GRID-CONNECTED PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAY AT SZENT ISTVÁN UNIVERSITY



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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

BACKGROUND

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

SYSTEM DESCRIPTIONS

PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) MODELS

TERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF PV

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

CONCLUSIONS

BACKGROUND

- In the photovoltaic field, manufacturers provide ratings for PV modules for conditions referred to as standard test conditions (STC) [T = 25°C, S = 1000 W/m², AM = 1.5]
- Such conditions rarely occur outdoors, so the usefulness and applicability of the indoors' characterization in standard test conditions of PV modules are a controversial issue.
- To carry out photovoltaic engineering well, a suitable characterization of PV module electrical behaviour (I–V curves) is necessary.
- Testing (conducted to experimental data) and modelling efforts are typically to quantify and then to replicate the measured phenomenon of interest.
- Testing and modelling of photovoltaic module/array performance in the outdoor environment is very complicated and influences by a variety of interactive factors related to the environment and solar cell physics.

CURRENT RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

Thermodynamic evaluation of PV module in view of energetic and exergetic performance.

LONG TERM RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

Development of physical model of gridconnected PV array system, refer to an existing of PV array system at Szent Istvan University.

SYSTEM DESCRIPTION SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF A 10 KWP GRID-CONNECTED PV ARRAY



SPECIFICATION OF A 10 kWp PV ARRAY AT SIU

Latitude :	47, 43 ° N	Azimuth : 5° to East for South facing				
Longitude :	19, 35° E	Tilt angle : 30°				
Country :	Hungary					
Specification		Sub-system 1	Sub-system 2	Sub-system 3		
Nominal power [kWp]		3,3	3,1	3,1		
Total system power [kV	Vp]		9,5			
PV module supplier		RWE Solar Gmbh	DunaSolar Rt	DunaSolar Rt		
Module type		ASE-100 GT-FT	DS40	DS40		
PV cell technology		EFG	a-Si	a-Si		
P _{stc} , PV module power at STC, [W]		105	40	40		
Total number of modules		32	77	77		
No. of modules in series (per string)		16	7	7		
No. of strings in paralle	el (per inverter)	2	11	11		
Inverter type (Sunpowe	er)	SP3100/600	SP2800/500	SP2800/500		
No. of inverters within the Sub-system		1	1	1		
Total module area [m ²]		28	65	65		

MODULE TECHNOLOGY IN A 10 KWP GRID-CONNECTED PV ARRAY AT SIU



ASE 100 : POLYCRYSTALLINE TECHNOLOGY

DS 40 : AMORPHOUS SILICON TECHNOLOGY





TERMINOLOGY OF PV HIERARCHY AND GENERAL SOLAR CELL CIRCUIT DIAGRAM





module 3 parallel strings 2 series blocks 2 cells per substring

MODEL DESCRIPTION OF SOLAR CELL IN DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW



Focus

Scheme of the energy streams model of a solar cell (Thermal energy)

General model of solar cell circuit in a single diode model (Electric energy)



THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF PV CONCEPTS OF ENERGY AND EXERGY



ENERGY, EXERGY AND ENTROPY FLOW IN AND FLOW OUT ON A SYSTEM

ILLUSTRATION ENERGY AND EXERGY FROM THE SUN

GUIDANCE FOR ENERGY AND EXERGY ANALYSIS

ENERGY	EXERGY
Dependent on the parameters of matter or energy flow only, and independent of the environment parameters.	Dependent both on the parameters of matter or energy flow and on the environment parameters.
Guided by the first law of thermodynamics for all processes	Guided by the first and second law of thermodynamics for all irreversible processes
Measure of quantity	Measure both quantity and quality

PV CELL/MODULE MODEL ANALYSIS

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$$I = I_{l} - I_{o} \left[exp \left(\frac{V + IR_{s}}{\left(\frac{nkTc}{q} \right)} \right) - 1 \right] - \frac{V + IR_{s}}{R_{sh}}$$

$$I_{l} = \frac{G}{G_{ref}} \left[I_{l,ref} + K_{I} \left(T_{c} - T_{c,ref} \right) \right]$$

$$\left(T_{c} \right)^{3} \left[qE \left(1 \right)^{3} \right]$$

 $I_{o} = I_{o,ref} \left(\frac{T_{c}}{T_{c,ref}} \right) exp \left[\frac{qE_{G}}{nk} \left(\frac{1}{T_{c,Ref}} - \frac{1}{T_{c}} \right) \right]$

- n = Ideality factor (a number between 1 and 2)
- k = The Boltzmann's constant (= 1.381 x 10⁻²³ J/K)
- $q = \text{Electron charge} (=1.602 \text{ x } 10^{-19} \text{ C})$
- I_o = Dark saturation current for diode [A]
- K_I = The cell's short-circuit current temperature coefficient [A/K]

 E_G = The band gap energy of the semiconductor used in the cell [eV]

 $R_{s} I$

 $I = I_l - I_d$

Five Model Parameters of Cells $(I_l, n, I_o, R_s, R_{sh})$



CELL/MODULE CHARACTERISTIC CONCEPT

I-V and P-V solar cell characteristics and MPP



EFFICIENCY ANALYSIS

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

$$\eta_{en} = \frac{\dot{E}n_{out}}{\dot{E}n_{in}} = \frac{\dot{E}n_{electrical} + \dot{E}n_{thermal}}{\dot{E}n_{in}}$$

$$\eta_{en} = \frac{\left(V_{oc} \times I_{sc}\right) + Q}{G \times A}$$

EXERGY EFFICIENCY

$$\eta_{ex} = \frac{\dot{E}x_{out}}{\dot{E}x_{in}} = \frac{\dot{E}x_{electrical} + \dot{E}x_{thermal} + \dot{E}x_{dest.}}{\dot{E}x_{solar}}$$

$$\eta_{ex} = \frac{V_{mp} \times I_{mp} - \left(1 - \left(\frac{T_a}{T_c}\right)\right) \times \left[(5.7 + (3.8 \times v)) \times A \times (T_c - T_a)\right]}{\left(1 - \left(\frac{T_a}{T_s}\right)\right) \times G \times A}$$

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

HUNGARY IRRADIATION BASED ON GIS PREDICTION



OPTIMUM INCLINATION ANGLE BASED ON GIS PREDICTION FOR HUNGARY



ANNUAL CLIMATE DATA FOR GÖDÖLLŐ, HUNGARY SITE LOCATION

Month	G _{hax}	G _{arr}	ν	Ta	Sun-hours*	$G_{arr} = G$
IMOUTU	[kWh/m2.m]	[kWh/m2.m]	[m/s]	[°C]	(h)	[W/m2]
January	29.79	44.57	2.65	-0.94	9	159.75
February	46.35	62.82	2.70	1.70	10	224.34
March	86.25	104.16	2.82	6.20	12	279.99
April	127.23	140.31	2.91	11.54	14	334.07
May	162.17	163.76	2.67	16.48	15	352.16
June	172.06	167.49	2.76	19.30	16	348.93
July	182.90	182.05	2.75	21.42	15	391.51
August	153.71	164.99	2.38	20.82	14	380.16
September	109.33	130.47	2.29	16.54	12	362.42
October	70.55	98.39	2.12	11.37	10	317.39
November	35.31	52.03	2.49	5.30	9	192.71
December	23.06	33.38	2.64	1.14	8	134.60

* Based on sun-path diagram

Acquired data from MeteoSyn, Meteonorm, PVGIS, NASA SSE, SWERA (Klise et al., 2009)

THE ELECTRICAL AND OTHER PARAMETERS OF ASE-100 AND DS-40

Module parameters	Sub-system 1	Sub-system 2	Sub-system 2				
Electrical Module *	ASE-100	DS-40	DS-40				
Typical peak power (W)	105	40	40				
Voltage at peak power (V)	35	44.8	44.8				
Current at peak power (A)	3	0.8	0.8				
Short circuit current (A)	3.3	1.15	1.15				
Open circuit voltage (A)	42.6	62.2	62.2				
Temp. coeff. of open circuit voltage (%/°C)	-0.38	-0.2797	-0.2797				
Temp. coeff. of short circuit current (%/°C)	0.10	0.0897	0.0897				
Approx. effect of temp. On power (%/°C)	-0.47	-0.190	-0.190				
Nominal operating cell temp./NOCT (°C)	45	50	50				
Others							
Active surface area (m ²)	0.83	0.79	0.79				
Specific heat capacity (J/kg.K)	920	920	920				
Absorption coefficient (%)	70	70	70				
Weight (kg)	8.5	13.5	13.5				
Array							
No. of modules in series (per string)	16	7	7				
No. of strings in parallel (per inverter)	2	11	11				
Total module area (m ²)	27	61	61				
* Under Standard Test Conditions (G = 1000 W/m ² , $AM = 1.5$ and $T_{a} = 25$ °C).							

SIMULATION RESULTS I-V CHARACTERISTICS OF SINGLE MODULE







DS – 40 (AMORPHOUS SILICON)

ASE – 100 (POLYCRISTALLINE)

CALCULATED RESULTS OF P-V CHARACTERISTICS



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CHARACTERISTICS INTERPRETATIONS

- Increasing of irradiation at constant module temperature, give big affect (proportional) on a short circuit current (I_{SC}) value but small effect on the open circuit voltage (V_{OC}) value.
- Increasing of module temperature at constant irradiation will increase a short circuit current (I_{SC}) slightly and decrease the open circuit voltage (V_{OC}) proportional.
- Increasing of irradiation at constant module temperature, give significant affect on the output power of PV module (*P*).
- Increasing of module temperature at constant irradiation will great affect on decreasing of output power (*P*) PV module.

CALCULATED RESULTS OF MODULE PERFORMANCE IN SEVERAL EFFICIENCIES (THERMODYNAMIC TERMINOLOGY)



AVERAGE VALUE OF SEVERAL EFFICIENCIES IN THERMODYNAMIC TERMINOLOGY FOR PV

Deve weeks we	Average values in year				
Farameters	Sub-sys 1	Sub-sys 2	Sub-sys 3		
G = Solar irradiation (W/m2)	289.84	289.84	289.84		
Tc = Module temperature (°C)	17.6	17.6	17.6		
η_{en} (Eff_en) = Eff. of energy (%)	47.66	43.20	43.20		
η_{ex} (Eff_ex) = Eff. of exergy (%)	11.82	4.30	4.30		
η_{pc} (Eff_pc) = Eff. of power conversion (%)	11.94	4.91	4.91		
η_{max} (Eff_max) = Eff. of electrical max. (%)	15.72	8.88	8.88		



ASE-100 module efficiency based on exp. DS-40 module efficiency based on exp.

SCREENSHOT OF THE DATA LOGGER PC DURING DATA ACQUISITION PROCESS

Time 12:05: Date 14/05/20	22 D07	Monitoring program PV Enlargement (16 Diffchannels)				File saved		
	Data are	are saved in file:		C:\WIP\Upload\Data-file-19-20070514.txt		Time step 10 min.	1/	
Sub-System1		Sub-System2		Sub-System3				
Global irradiance		864.6 V	W/m2				12	
Ambient Air Temp.		27.8	°C					
Plane irradiance		981.1 \	W/m2					
T_ref		53.5 °	°C					
T_mod Sub1		54.4 °	°C	T_mod Sub2	58.5	°C		
DC Voltage Sub1		339.9 \	V	DC voltage Sub2	260.8	V		
DC current Sub1		6.3 A	д	DC current Sub2	11.9	А		
DC power Sub1	2	134.3 \	W	DC power Sub2	3094.9	W		
AC power Sub1	2	131.5 V	W	AC power Sub2	2541.9	W		
Cycle Time		63.0 n	ms					

"BRIDGE" EVALUATION MODULE OPERATION PARAMETER



CONCLUSION

- Energetic and exergetic approach to evaluate a PV module performance have been performed, theoretically. Some definition of efficiencies (refers to terminology of energy and exergy) are implemented to calculate a performance module components viz. polycrystalline technology (ASE-100) and amorphous silicon technology (DS-40), which is part of a 10 kWp grid-connected PV array at Szent István University, Gödöllő, Hungary.
- From the *I-V-P* characteristics, it can be seen that the open circuit voltage (V_{oc}) is dominated by temperature, and irradiation has strong influence on short circuit current (*I_{sc}*). Based on this characteristic, it can be concluded that high temperature and low irradiation conditions will reduce the power conversion capability.



CONCLUSION

- Further parametric studies are needed in order to obtain a deep correlation between climatic, operating and design parameters so that a possibility to increase a real actual electrical efficiency can be studied and observed.
- This work is part of our research in order to develop a dynamic model of a 10 kWp grid-connected PV array and the final objective of long term work is to develop an accurate model, in order to simulate the electrical behaviour and energy production of the PV array systems in a grid connected application, conducted to a grid-connected PV array installations.



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