

DESIGN, ANALYSIS, SIMULATION, AND CONTROL OF A COST-OPTIMIZED HYBRID POWER SYSTEM FOR URBAN PAKISTAN



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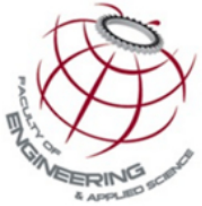
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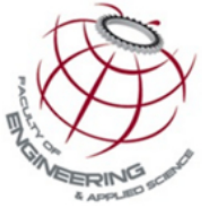


PRESENTATION OUTLINE



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- Dynamic Modeling and Simulation
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Background

- Global energy demand rising; IEA projects **1000 TWh** annual growth.
- Rising global energy prices and **supply chain disruptions** impact developing economies.
- Pakistan faces severe energy shortages due to growing demand and limited local resources.
- Heavy reliance on imported fossil fuels worsens with **exchange rate** volatility.
- **Subsidy removals** and **additional taxes** have sharply increased electricity costs.
- Frequent, severe floods cause widespread economic damage and displacement..
- Power outages of up to **12 hours** daily disrupt life and economic activity.
- Independent Power Projects (IPPs) increase electricity costs for citizens through capacity payments even when the requirement is low.

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Why Renewable Energy ?

- Burning fossil fuels releases **greenhouse gases** and causes **environmental damage** leading to global warming and extreme weather events. e.g severe floods
- **Frequent, severe floods** in Pakistan cause widespread economic damage and displacement, highlighting the urgent need for sustainable energy solutions.
- Fossil fuel reserves are **finite**. If we do not reduce consumption, they may deplete in our life span.
- Air pollution from fossil fuels results in adverse **health impacts** such as respiratory problems and lead to increased healthcare costs.

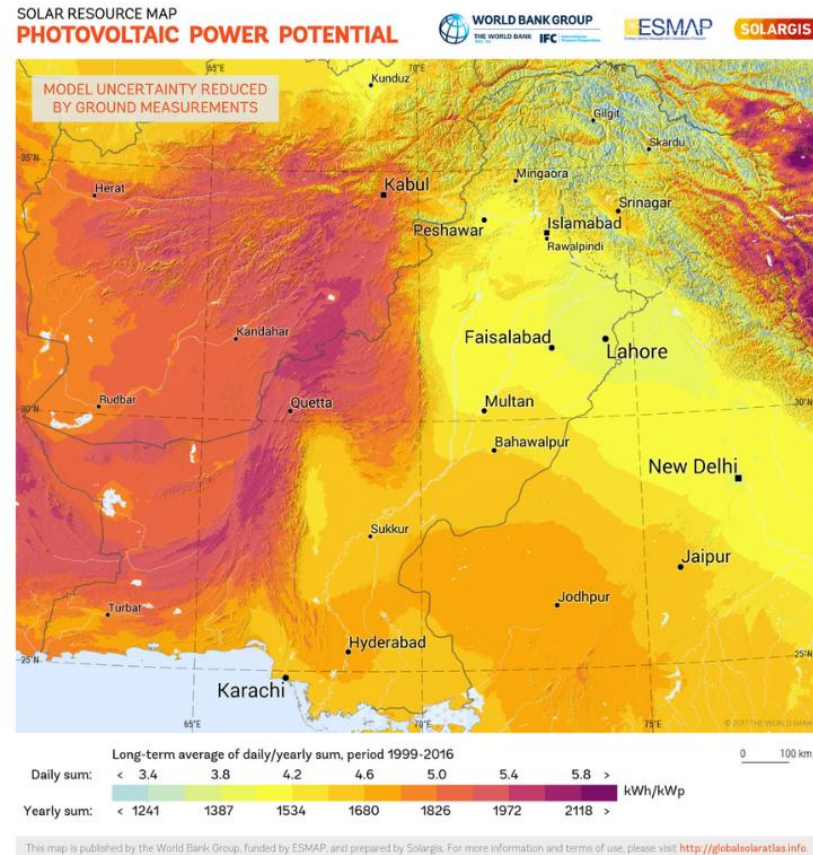
key takeaway: Transitioning to renewable energy is imperative for a cleaner, sustainable, and more secure future



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Pakistan's Solar Potential

- Pakistan benefits from favorable climatic conditions, with an average of 8 to 9 hours of sunlight per day.
- The country's solar radiation levels range between 4 and 7 kWh/m²/day, making it highly suitable for solar energy deployment.



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Types of PV Systems

◦ Grid-Tied (On-Grid) Systems:

- Connected directly to the utility grid.
- Supply electricity to properties and export surplus via net metering.
- Do not operate during grid outages unless paired with batteries.
- Recent change in net-metering policies.

◦ Off-Grid Systems:

- Operate independently of the grid using battery banks for energy storage.
- Ideal for remote/rural areas with no grid access.
- Require higher initial costs and battery maintenance.

◦ Hybrid Systems:

- Combine solar with other energy sources (e.g., diesel generators, wind).
- Include battery storage for enhanced reliability.
- Ensure uninterrupted power during low solar availability or grid outages.



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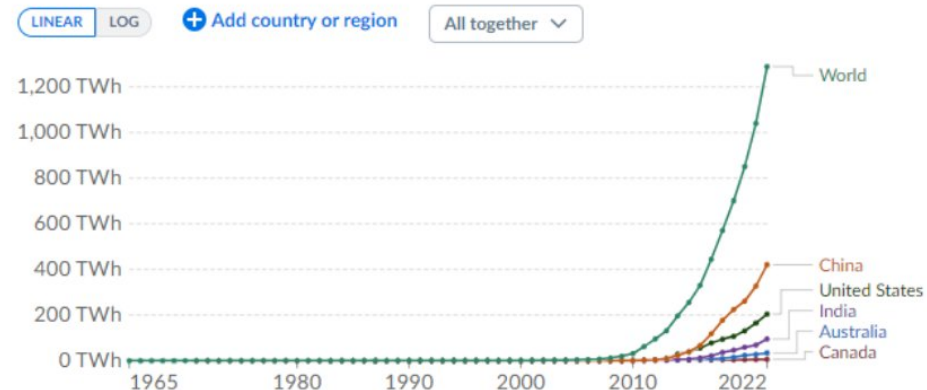
The Current State of Solar Energy & PV Technology

- The 'Our World in Data' website report presents solar energy production data up to 2022, highlighting China as the global leader in solar energy production.
- NREL data highlights the advancement of solar panel efficiency from 1975 to 2023, with the highest achieved efficiency of 47.6% in multi-junction solar cells.

Solar power generation

Electricity generation from solar, measured in terawatt-hours (TWh) per year.

Our World in Data

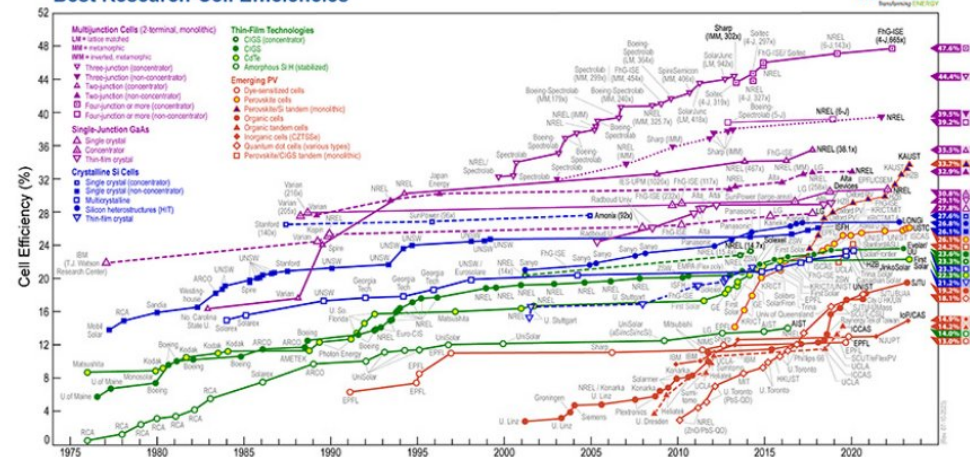


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Best Research-Cell Efficiencies

NREL





RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

- Address Pakistan's energy crisis marked by frequent load shedding, rising costs, and heavy reliance on imported fossil fuels.
- Design a cost-effective, grid-independent hybrid energy system tailored for urban residential neighborhoods.
- Conduct techno-economic optimization using HOMER Pro to identify the most feasible system configuration under local constraints.
- Perform dynamic modeling and simulation in MATLAB/Simulink to analyze system stability, load-following capability, and response to variable operating conditions.
- Develop advanced control strategies for intelligent load sharing, efficient battery management, and diesel generator coordination to ensure reliable and autonomous operation.

LITERATURE REVIEW



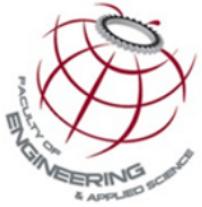
Reviewed Paper	Description
Ozogbuda & Iqbal (2021)	Designed a DC microgrid for a Nigerian community using HOMER Pro. Optimized PV–battery system for nine houses with varying loads and analyzed system performance under different solar conditions.
Al-Wakeel (2020)	Studied Iraq’s reliance on neighborhood diesel generators due to unreliable grids. Highlighted environmental and economic issues and proposed rooftop solar PV as a sustainable alternative.
Muskan & Channi (2023)	Designed a PV–diesel hybrid system in India using HOMER Pro, achieving LCOE of \$0.428/kWh.
Shang et al. (2020)	Proposed an improved MPPT strategy with faster response under varying irradiance in MATLAB.
Aziz et al. (2022)	Developed a PV–diesel–battery system in Iraq with improved dispatch, reducing NPC and emissions.

Site Location

- Study site: Urban neighborhood in Karachi with seven closely located houses.
- Geographical coordinates: 24.9199°N, 67.1455°E.
- Flat rooftops, free from shading, ideal for solar PV systems.

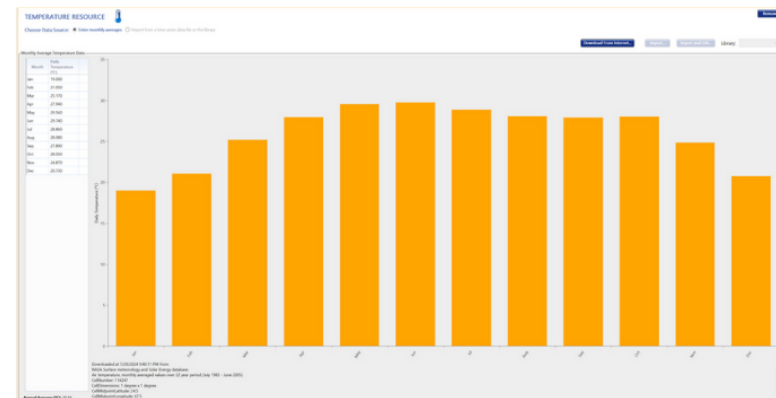
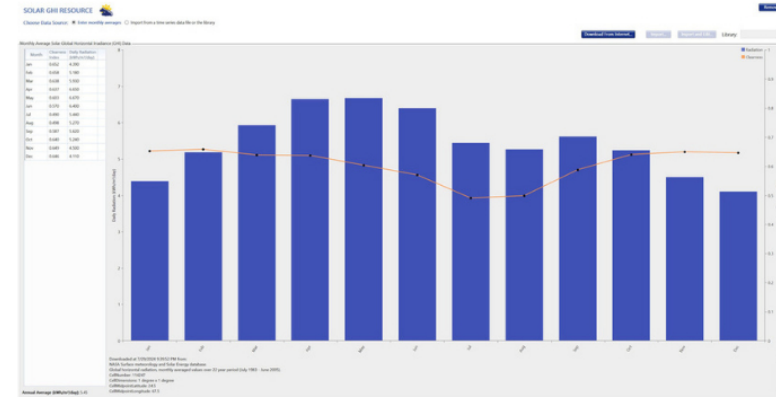


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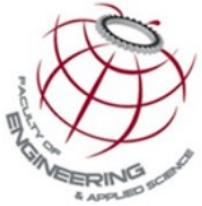


Weather and Solar Potential at Site

- Average solar irradiance: 5.45–5.6 kWh/m²/day, peaking in May and lowest in December.
- Average temperature: 19°C in January and 29.7°C in June, with summer highs reaching 40–45°C.

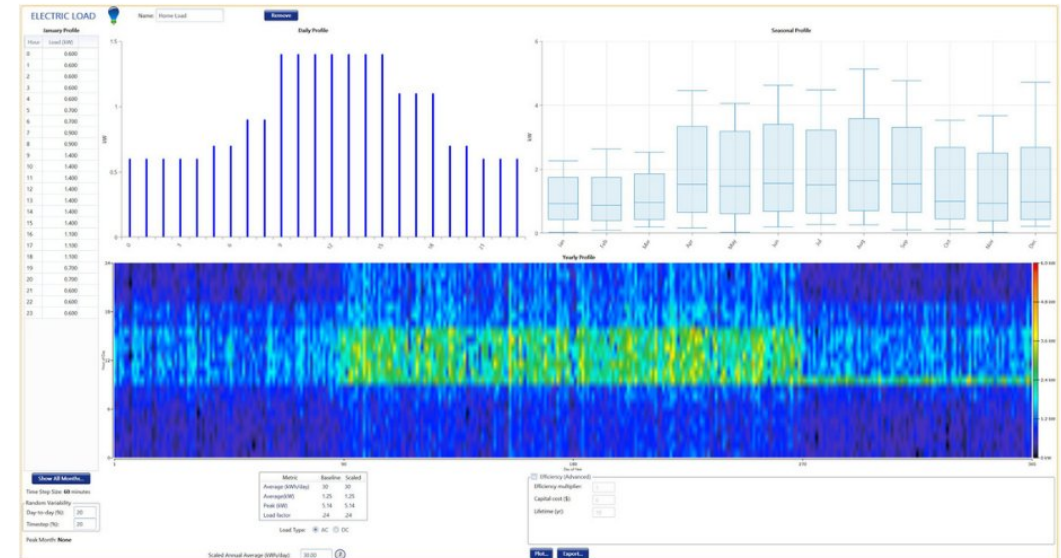


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Electric Load Profile in the Neighborhood

- Energy loads for seven houses range from 15–45 kWh/day, with House 1 (baseline) consuming 30 kWh/day due to varied occupant lifestyles and usage patterns.
- Peak demand occurs during May–September, driven by air conditioning use, with higher daytime consumption from non-essential activities to align with solar availability.

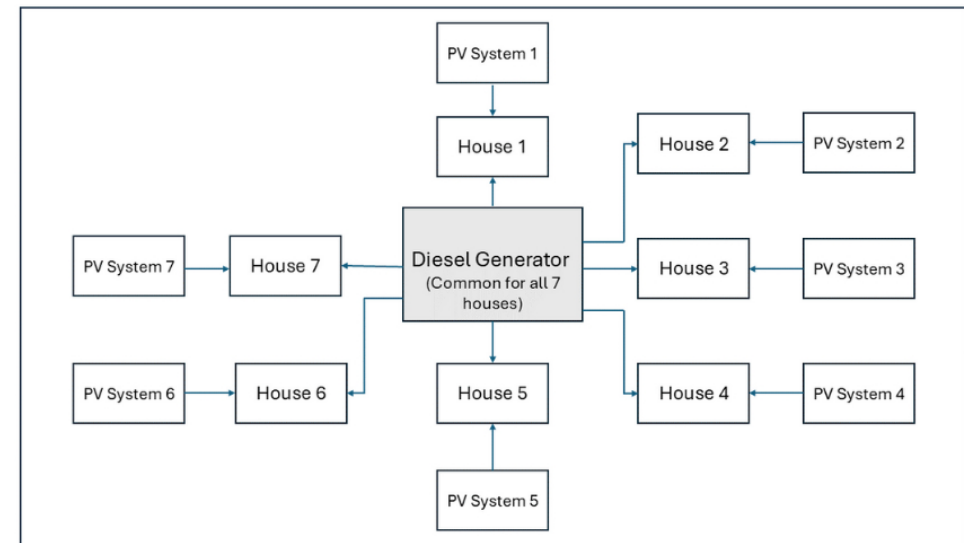


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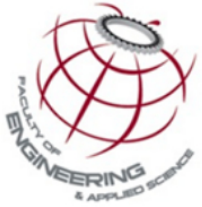


Proposed System Block Diagram

- Key components: PV systems, batteries, converters, shared diesel generator.
- Each house equipped with its own PV system and connected to the diesel generator via a DC bus.
- Separate meters installed in each house to monitor diesel generator usage.
- Diesel generator provides backup during low solar or high demand periods.

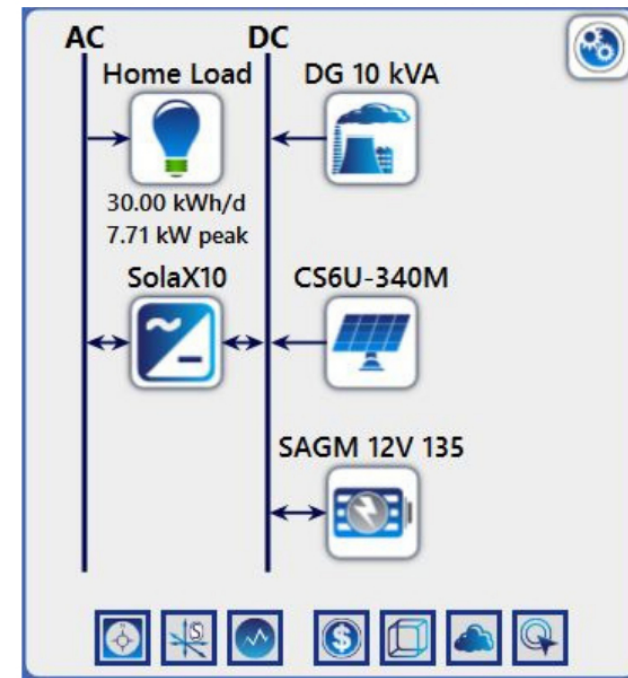


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System Design

- This hybrid energy system consists of individual solar power system for each house, battery storage, and a shared diesel generator.
- Key components include solar PV panels (CS6U-340M), a battery storage unit (SAGM 12V 135), a 10 kVA diesel generator (DG), and a SolaX10 inverter






































































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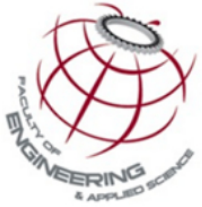


System Design and Sensitivity Analysis

- Seven off-grid PV systems sized for 15 to 45 kWh/day loads, supported by a shared 2 kW diesel generator for battery charging.
- Sensitivity analysis: Assessed performance under $\pm 10\%$ solar irradiance variations to account for weather fluctuations.
- Cycle Charging (CC) dispatch chosen for efficiency and reduced generator runtime vs. Load Following (LF).

Sensitivity		Architecture						Cost				DG 10kVA				SAGM 12V 135				
Home Load Scaled Average (kWh/d)	Solar Scaled Average (kWh/m ² /day)					CS6U-340M (kW)	DG 10kVA (kW)	SAGM 12V 135 (#)	Dispatch	NPC (\$)	LCOE (\$/kWh)	Operating cost (\$/yr)	CAPEX (\$)	Hours	Production (kWh)	Fuel (L)	O&M Cost (\$/yr)	Fuel Cost (\$/yr)	Autonomy (hr)	Annual Throughput (kWh/yr)
15.0	4.23					11.6	2.00	8	CC	\$15,488	\$0.300	\$598.35	\$7,752	27.0	35.5	11.5	21.6	21.3	17.2	2,031
15.0	4.70					7.61	2.00	12	CC	\$15,563	\$0.296	\$553.54	\$8,407	48.0	68.5	21.9	38.4	40.7	25.8	2,115
15.0	5.17					7.41	2.00	8	CC	\$14,807	\$0.287	\$612.86	\$6,884	66.0	92.5	29.6	52.8	55.1	17.2	2,078
20.0	4.23					12.3	2.00	12	CC	\$20,263	\$0.294	\$813.90	\$9,742	78.0	87.0	28.9	62.4	53.7	19.3	2,752
20.0	4.70					8.72	2.00	12	CC	\$20,438	\$0.298	\$886.94	\$8,972	154	183	60.1	123	112	19.3	2,778
20.0	5.17					9.02	2.00	12	CC	\$19,637	\$0.288	\$820.93	\$9,025	113	129	42.8	90.4	79.5	19.3	2,760
25.0	4.23					16.7	2.00	12	CC	\$25,444	\$0.282	\$1,102	\$11,198	99.0	136	43.6	79.2	81.1	15.5	3,507
25.0	4.70					15.0	2.00	16	CC	\$24,792	\$0.276	\$967.47	\$12,285	54.0	67.0	21.8	43.2	40.6	20.6	3,531
25.0	5.17					14.1	2.00	16	CC	\$24,500	\$0.271	\$958.34	\$12,111	56.0	66.1	21.8	44.8	40.5	20.6	3,548
30.0	4.23					16.6	2.00	20	CC	\$28,952	\$0.283	\$1,138	\$14,242	77.0	94.1	30.8	61.6	57.3	21.5	4,155
30.0	4.70					18.3	2.00	16	CC	\$28,392	\$0.275	\$1,176	\$13,185	65.0	82.0	26.7	52.0	49.6	17.2	4,127
30.0	5.17					18.3	2.00	16	CC	\$28,005	\$0.274	\$1,150	\$13,140	57.0	67.0	22.1	45.6	41.0	17.2	4,082
35.0	4.23					18.4	2.00	20	CC	\$33,940	\$0.283	\$1,463	\$15,032	157	204	66.0	126	123	18.4	4,867
35.0	4.70					19.1	2.00	20	CC	\$32,653	\$0.272	\$1,353	\$15,165	86.0	115	37.1	68.8	69.1	18.4	4,839
35.0	5.17					18.5	2.00	20	CC	\$32,115	\$0.269	\$1,322	\$15,020	83.0	98.6	32.4	66.4	60.3	18.4	4,800
40.0	4.23					29.5	2.00	20	CC	\$38,983	\$0.285	\$1,648	\$17,678	86.0	115	37.2	68.8	69.1	16.1	5,420
40.0	4.70					28.8	2.00	24	CC	\$39,278	\$0.286	\$1,567	\$19,015	72.0	84.8	27.9	57.6	51.9	19.3	5,419
40.0	5.17					17.9	2.00	20	CC	\$37,690	\$0.272	\$1,727	\$15,366	224	286	92.8	179	173	16.1	5,561
45.0	4.23					35.2	2.00	20	CC	\$43,841	\$0.285	\$1,902	\$19,251	106	118	39.2	84.8	72.9	14.3	6,047
45.0	4.70					29.3	2.00	20	CC	\$42,761	\$0.278	\$1,913	\$18,037	158	187	61.5	126	114	14.3	6,105
45.0	5.17					29.6	2.00	20	CC	\$41,840	\$0.273	\$1,839	\$18,068	112	130	42.8	89.6	79.5	14.3	6,087

OPTIMAL SIZING AND TECHNO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS



Specifications of system components

PV Module Specifications

Parameter	Values
Model	CS6U-340M
Manufacturer	Canadian Solar
Panel Type	Monocrystalline
Nominal Maximum Power(P_{max})	340 W
Operating Voltage (V_{mp})	37.8V
Operating Current (I_{mp})	8.87A
Operating Temperature	-40°C ~ +85°C
Cell Arrangement	72 cells(6x12)
Module Efficiency	17.49 %
Junction box rating	IP 67
Weight	22.4 kg

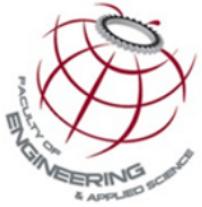
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Diesel Generator Specifications

Parameter	Values
Fuel Type	Diesel
Minimum Load Ratio	25 %
Life of operation	12 Years
Capacity Factor	1.9 %
Governor Type	Mechanical
Engine Compression Ratio	23:1
Displacement	1.1 litre
Mean Electrical Efficiency	32.9 %

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Specifications of system components

DG Fuel Consumption

Parameter	Values
Net fuel consumption	81.6 L
Fuel consumption per day(avg)	.22 L
Specific fuel consumption	0.309 L/kWh
Fuel curve intercept	0.5 L/hr
Fuel curve slope	0.273 L/hr/kW
Lower heating value	43.2 MJ/kg
Density	820 kg/m ³

DG Expected Emissions

Parameter	Values
Carbon Monoxide	16.34 g/L
Unburned Hydrocarbons	0.72 g/L
Particulate matter	0.098 g/L
Fuel sulfur converted to PTM	2.2 %
Nitrogen Oxides	15.359 g/L

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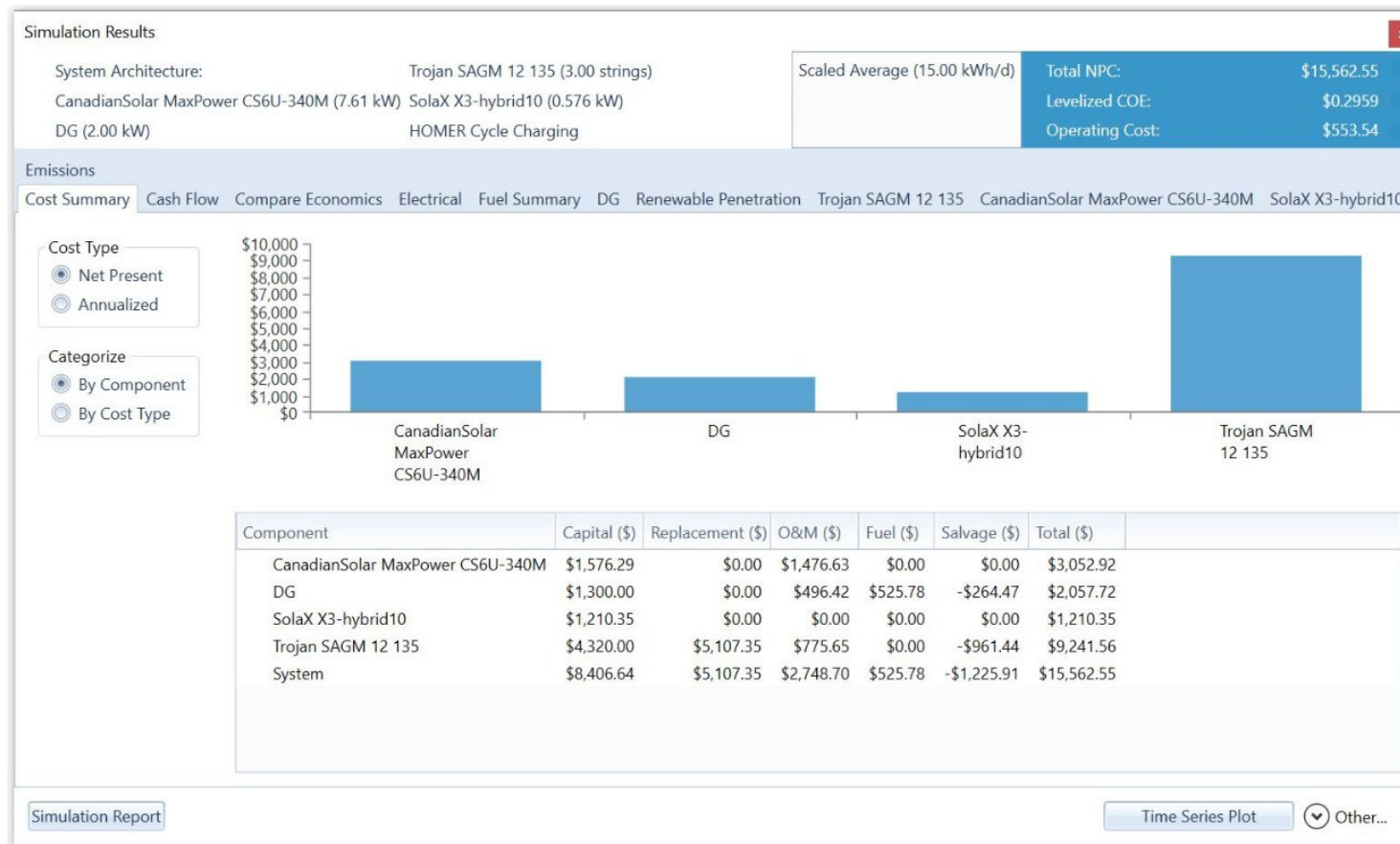
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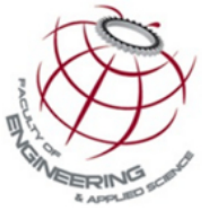
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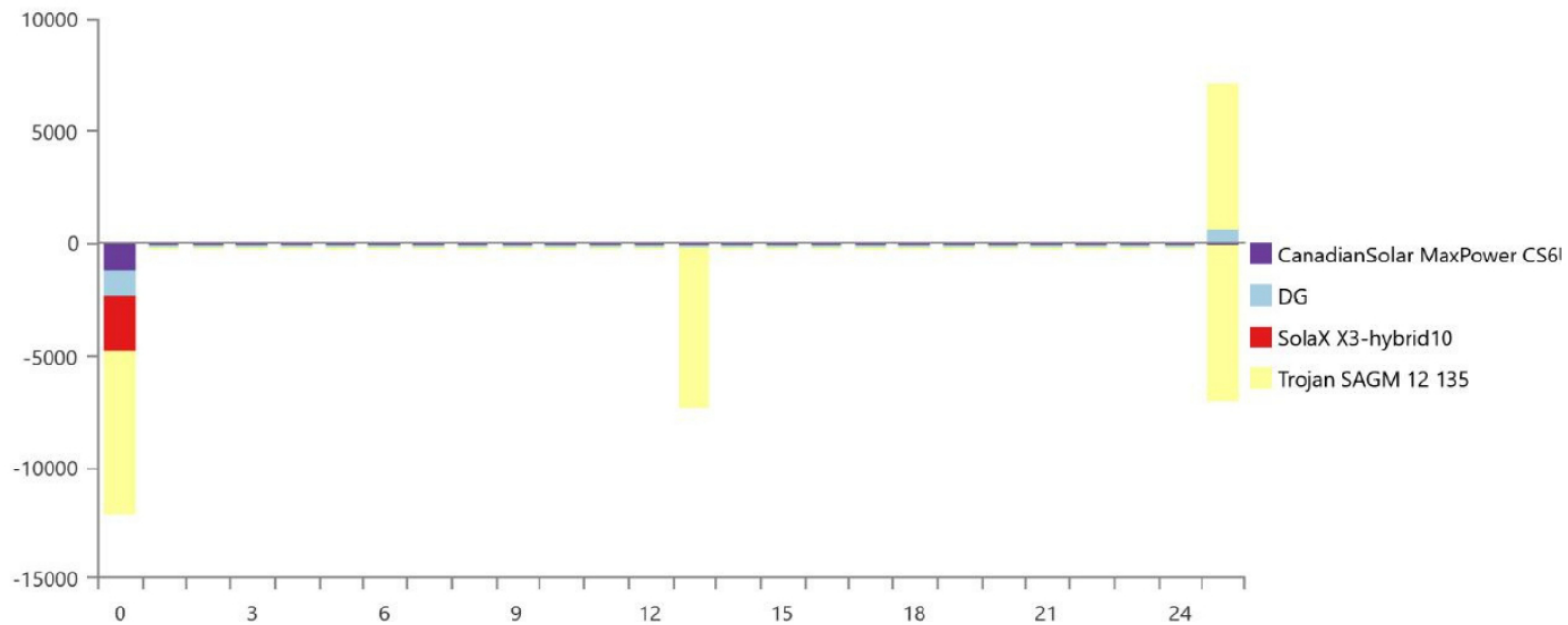
Cost Summary



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Cash Flow





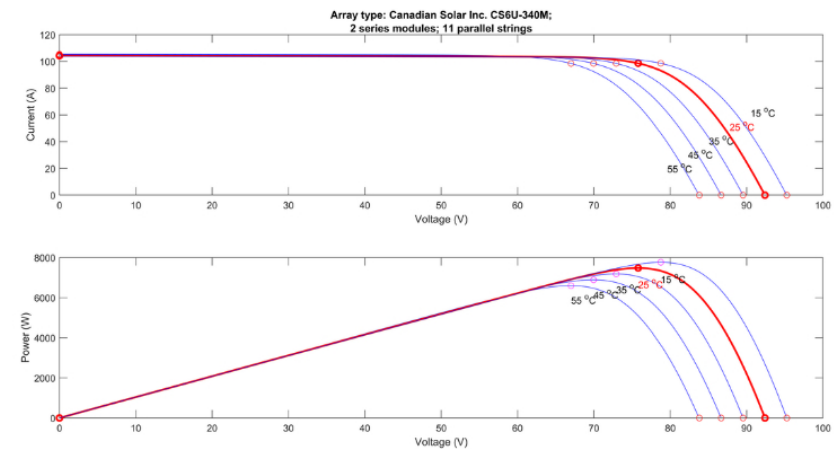
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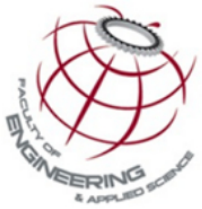


- House 1 was selected for the simulation with a daily energy requirement of 15 kWh.
- Canadian Solar CS6U-340M modules are used with 17.49% efficiency, Operating Current (I_{mp}) of 8.97 A, and Operating Voltage (V_{mp}) 37.9V.

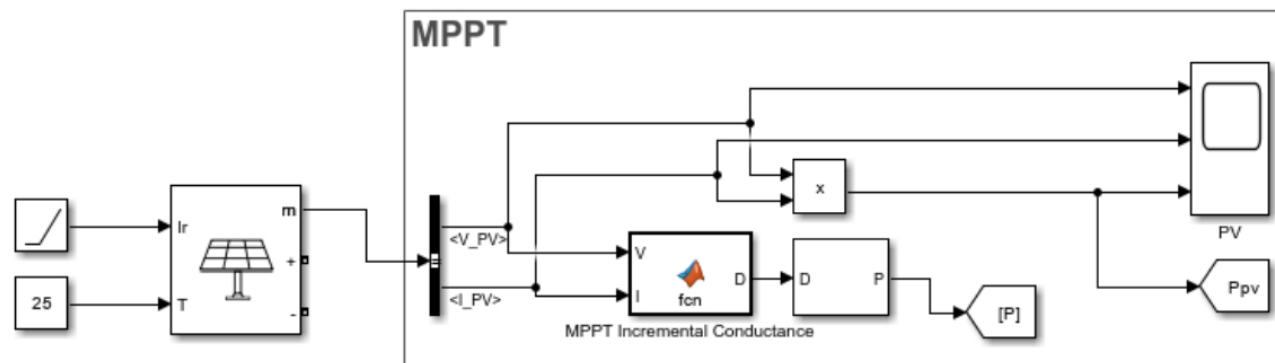


I-V and P-V curves of the PV Array

MPPT ALGORITHM



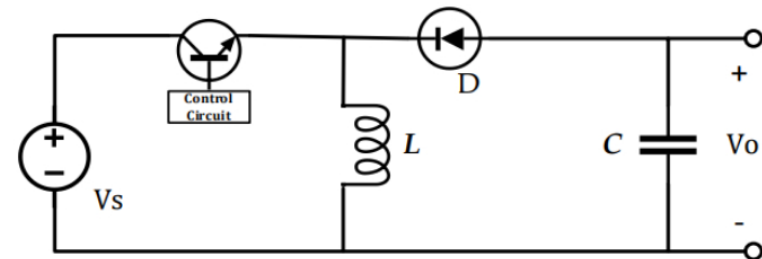
- Ensures maximum power extraction from the PV array by continuously adjusting to the optimal operating point based on irradiance and temperature.
- The Incremental Conductance (INC) algorithm was chosen; it dynamically adjusts the duty cycle of the DC-DC converter based on real-time changes in power and voltage.
- Reduces power loss and improves system efficiency by consistently operating near the Maximum Power Point (MPP).



BUCK CONVERTER

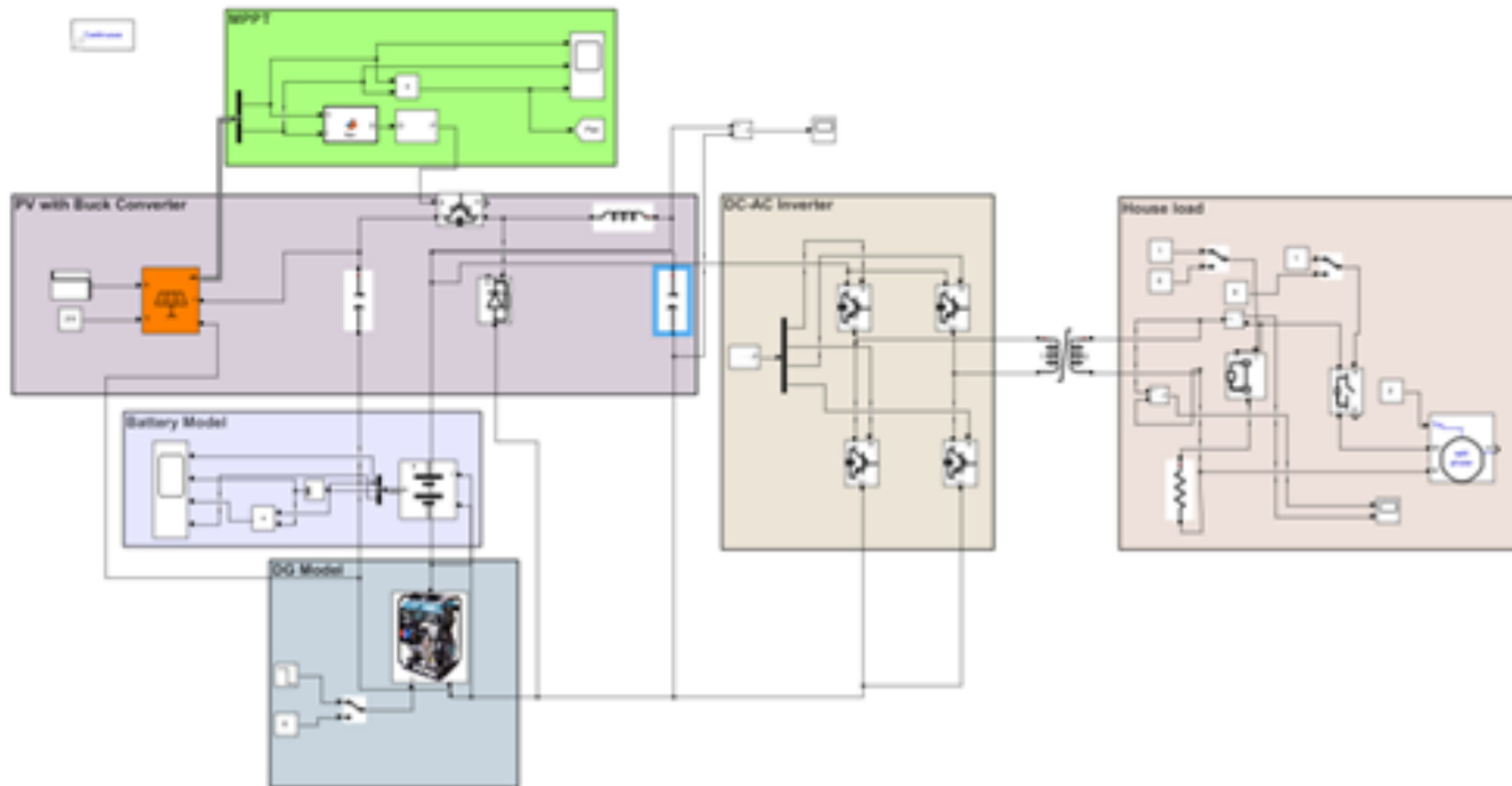


- The buck converter steps down the PV array voltage to meet the system's DC link voltage requirement of 48V.
- The duty cycle of the IGBT switch is dynamically adjusted through MPPT controller to control the voltage, with an LC filter ensuring smooth and stable output.
- The converter's design calculations yield an inductor value of 2.2 mH and a capacitor value of 19.55 μF , optimized for stable and efficient operation in the system.

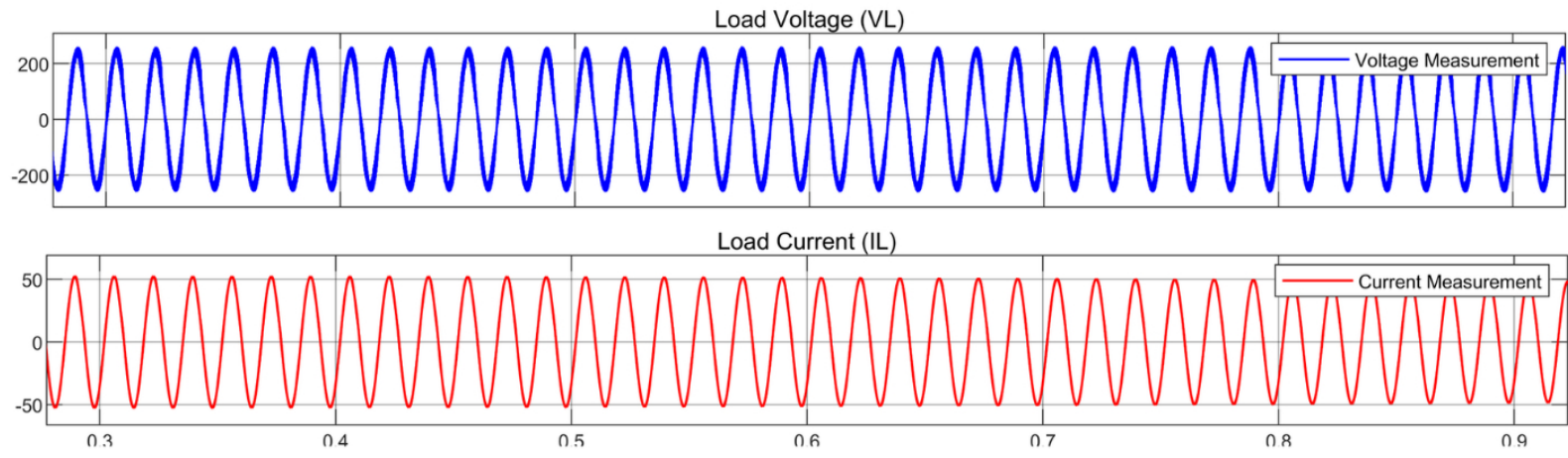
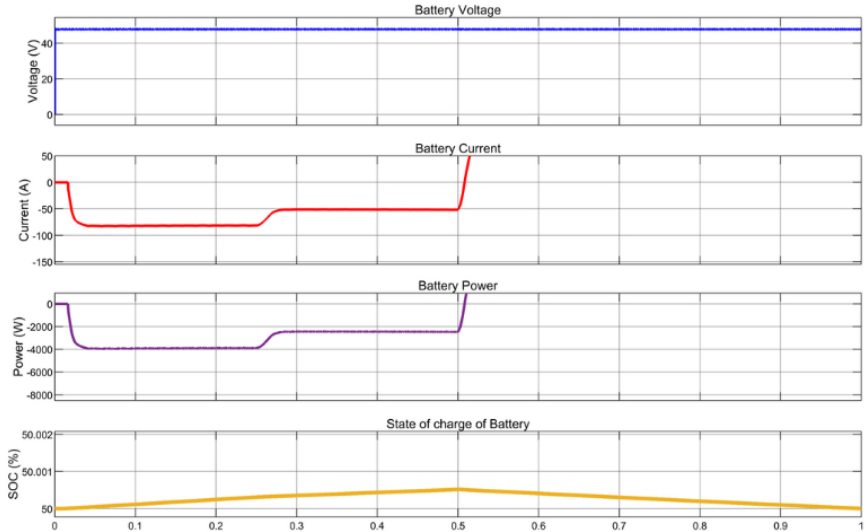
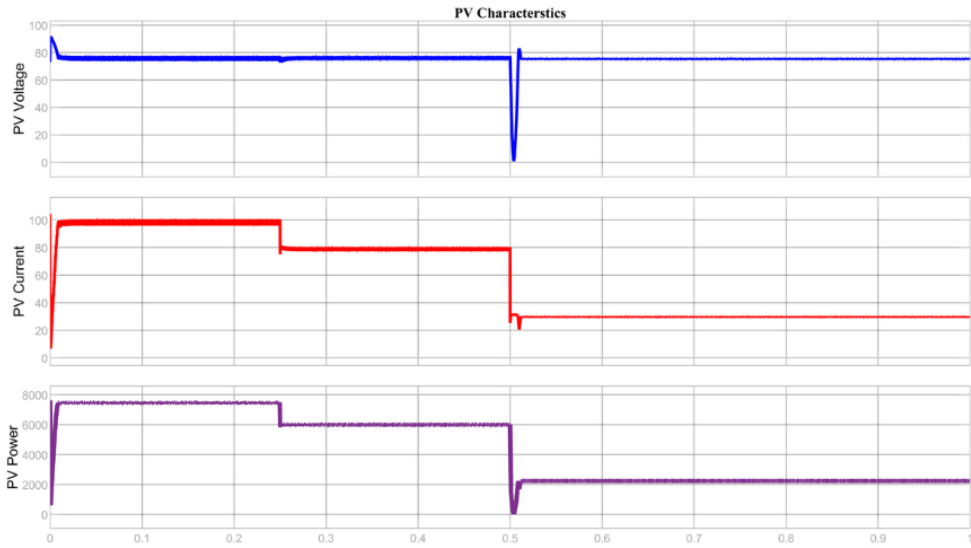


DC - DC Buck Converter

COMPLETE SYSTEM MODEL IN MATLAB SIMULINK



SIMULATION RESULTS

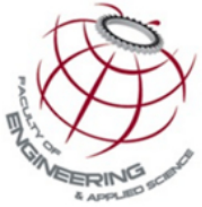


220 V, 50 Hz



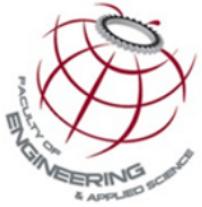
Control Strategies for Shared Diesel Generator in Hybrid Power System

DIESEL GENERATOR MODELING AND DYNAMICS

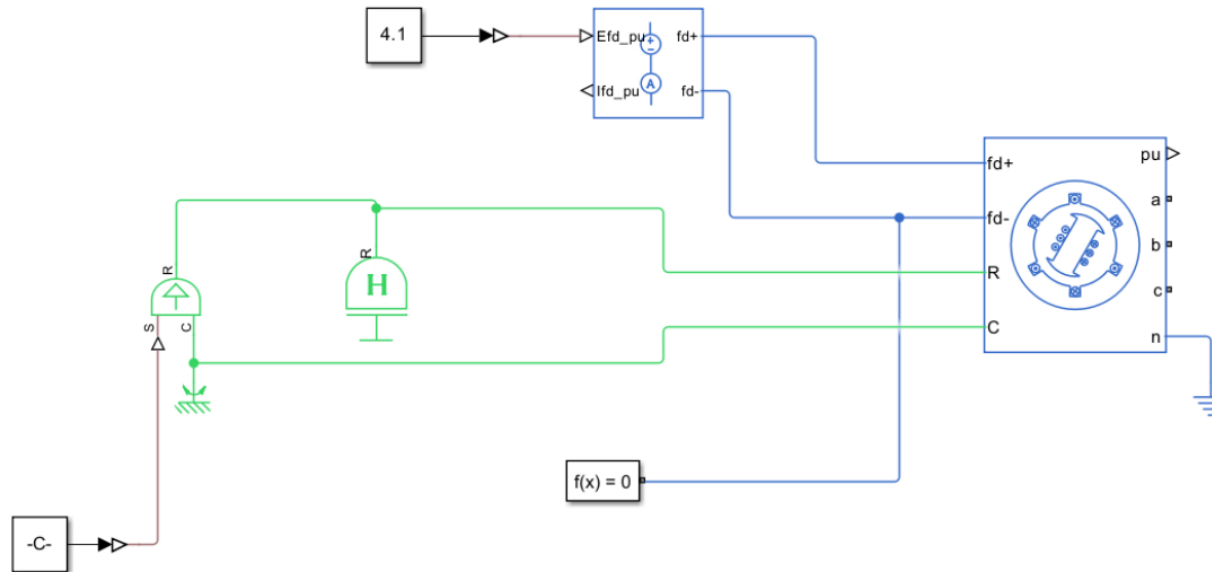


- A four-pole, 50Hz synchronous generator is rigidly coupled to a diesel engine via a mechanical shaft, ensuring synchronized mechanical and electrical angular displacement.
- Diesel engine converts fuel energy into mechanical torque; engine inertia mitigates torque pulsations and provides a kinetic energy buffer for transient stability.
- Generator excitation current of 32A produces a rotating magnetic field at 1500rpm, inducing three-phase voltages for real and reactive power supply.
- Active power regulated by fuel input control; reactive power controlled through excitation current to field winding.
- Dynamic response shaped by direct-axis (X_d) and quadrature-axis (X_q) reactances and their time constants (T'_{d0} , T''_{q0}), critical for voltage stability and damping.

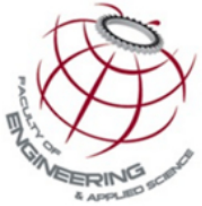
DIESEL GENERATOR MODELING AND DYNAMICS



- The model simulates mechanical and electrical dynamics, enabling studies on start-up, load changes, fault conditions, and control strategy optimization.



CONTROL STRATEGY FOR AC LOAD SUPPLY



- Diesel generator supplies AC loads during low PV output periods such as nighttime or extended cloudy days.
- Load sharing prevents overloading by alternating power delivery between two groups of houses using a time-sharing scheme.
- Three-phase output dynamically routed via SPDT switches:
 1. Phase A alternates between Houses 1 and 4
 2. Phase B alternates between Houses 2 and 5
 3. Phase C alternates between Houses 3 and 6 (with House 7 combined with House 6).
- Only half of the total neighborhood load is connected at any time, keeping generator current within safe limits.
- Household loads modeled as equivalent impedance networks with resistive and inductive branches i.e approx. 2 kW per house at 220 V, PF \approx 0.95.

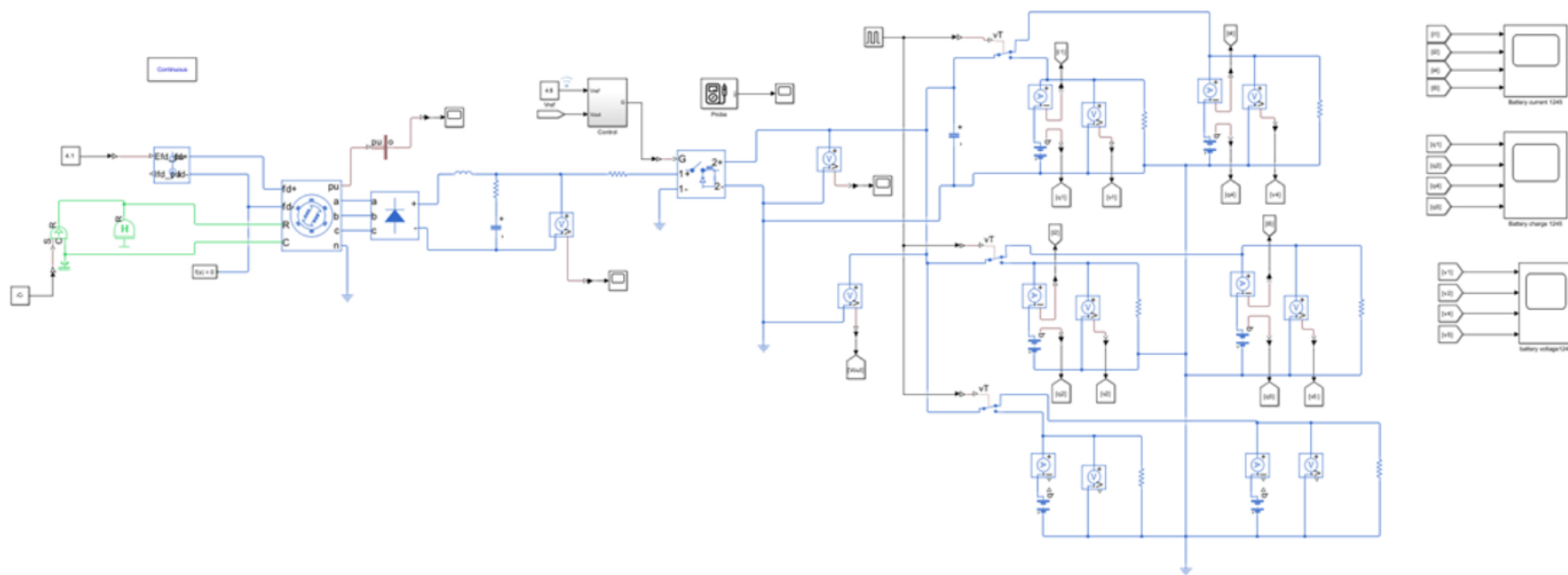
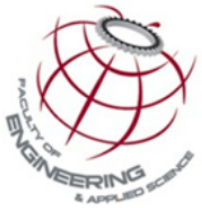
CONTROL STRATEGY FOR BATTERY CHARGING



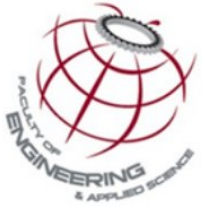
- Operates during low solar periods (nighttime, extended cloudy days) to recharge all seven battery banks.
- Diesel generator's three-phase AC output is rectified using a six-pulse diode bridge, then stepped down to 48 V DC via a buck converter.
- Buck converter uses IGBT switches and PWM control at 10 kHz, regulated by a PI controller to maintain stable 48 V DC output.
- All battery banks connected in parallel to the regulated DC bus for simultaneous charging with ideal load sharing in the simulation.
- Centralized AC–DC conversion enables efficient multi-bank charging, outperforming sequential charging methods in both time and energy efficiency.

CONTROL STRATEGY FOR BATTERY CHARGING

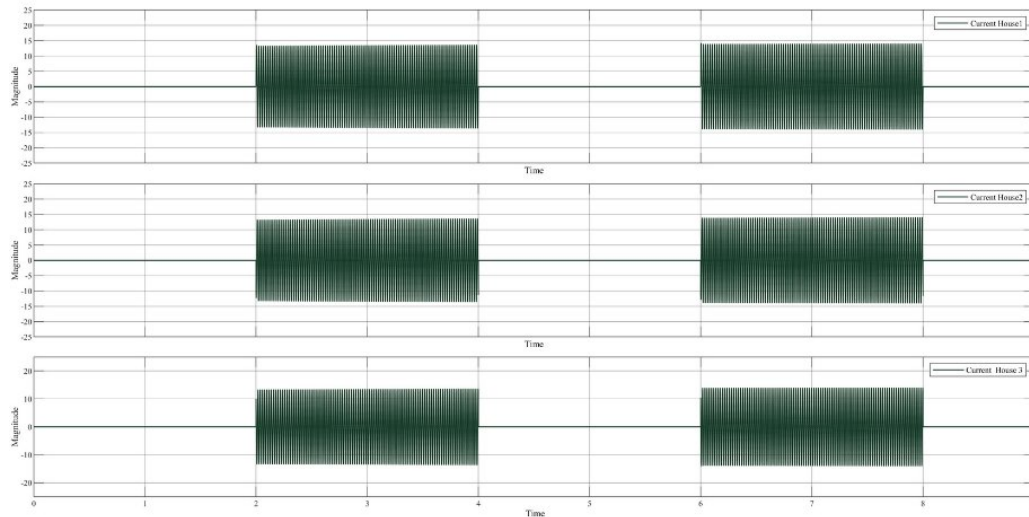
- Ensures batteries are replenished to maintain off-grid autonomy during periods of insufficient photovoltaic generation.



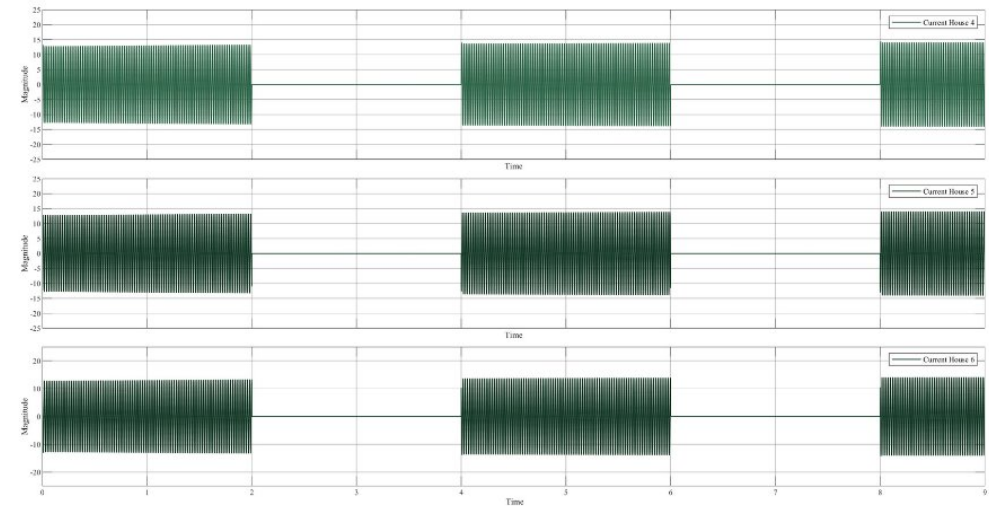
SIMULATION RESULTS



- Diesel generator supplies 9.65 A RMS per phase for 2 kW loads (resistive 6.81 A, inductive 2.84 A).
- Time-sharing alternates power between two house groups, preventing overload.
- Generator speed remains stable at 1500 rpm with minor transient droops promptly corrected.
- Current waveforms sinusoidal and distortion-free, confirming steady-state operation.

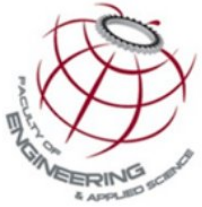


Load current waveforms for House 1, 2 & 3

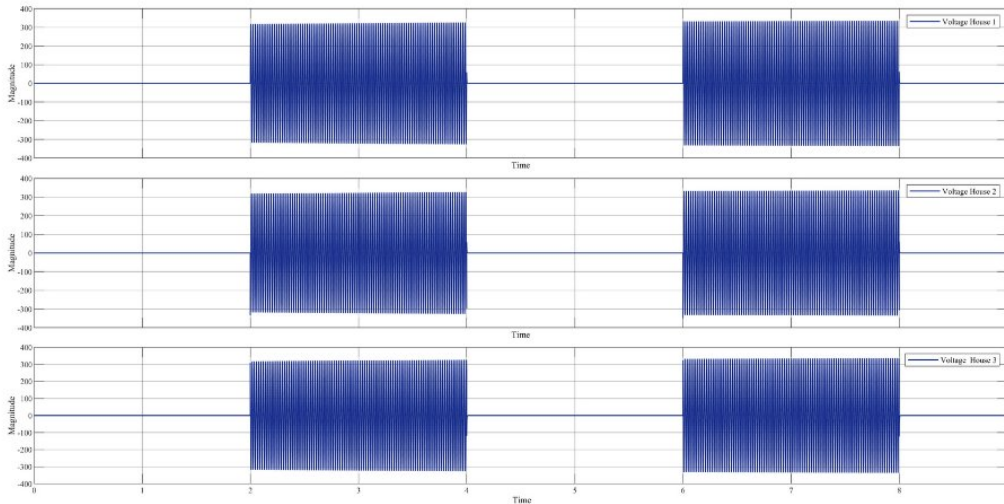


Load current waveforms for House 4, 5 & 6

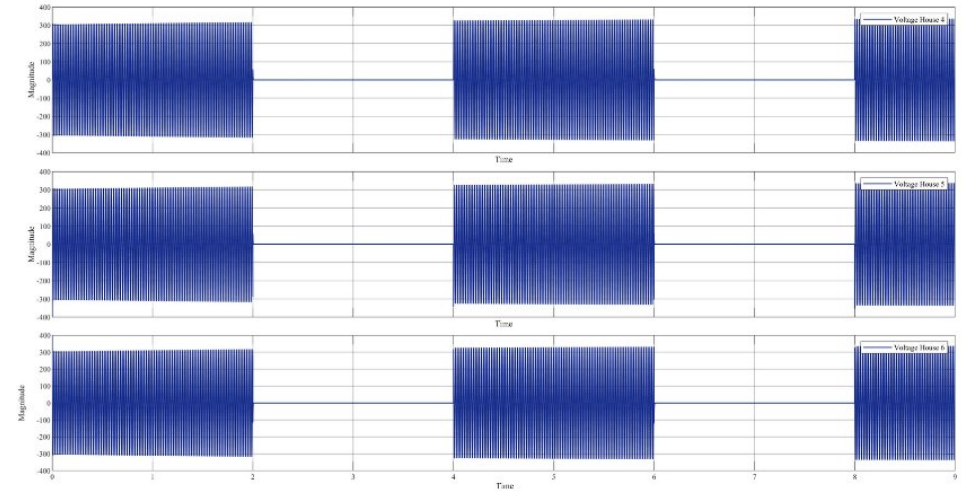
SIMULATION RESULTS



- Voltage regulated at ~220 V RMS (311V peak-to-peak), within $\pm 10\%$ of nominal for Pakistani appliances.
- Minor voltage dips during switching are rapidly corrected by the excitation system and generator inertia.
- Slight phase shift from inductive loads does not impact power quality.



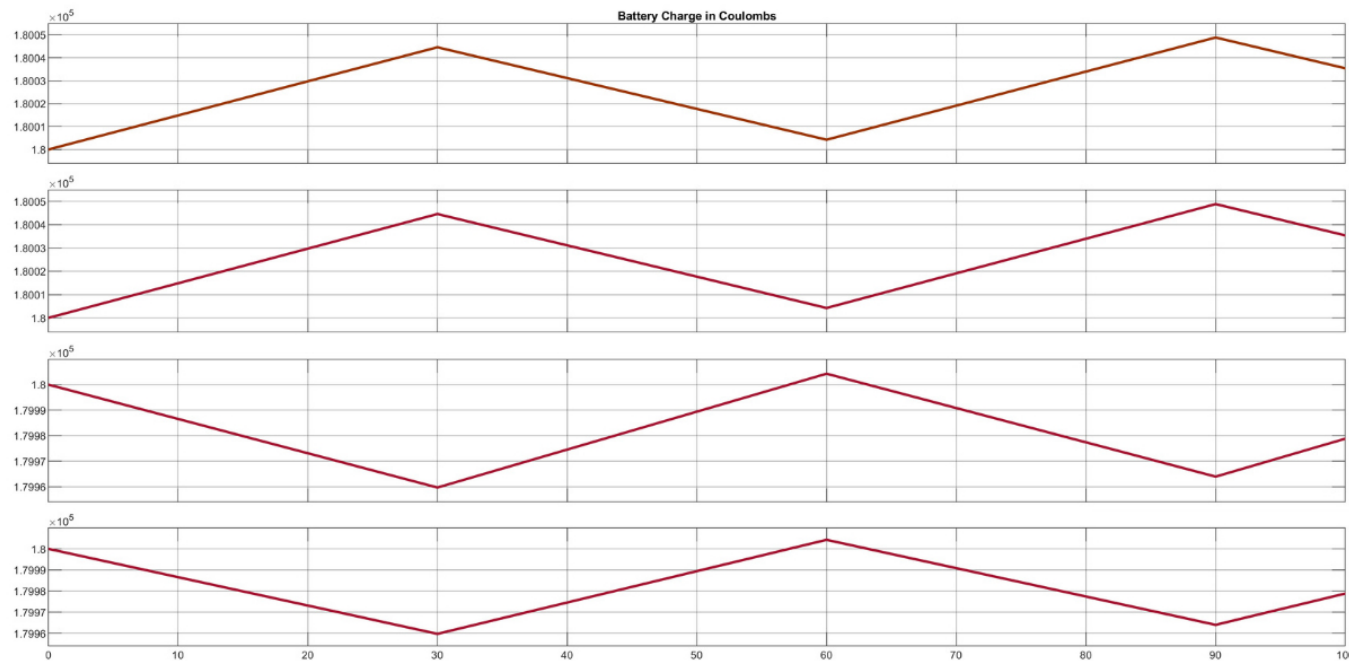
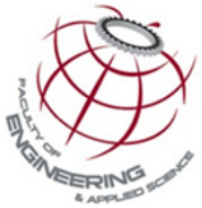
Load Voltage waveforms for House 1, 2 & 3



Load Voltage waveforms for House 4, 5 & 6

SIMULATION RESULTS

- Centralized 48V DC bus provides balanced, simultaneous charging of all battery banks.
- Initial high charge rates decrease as batteries approach full capacity, reflecting constant-voltage charging.
- Smooth and stable charge waveforms confirm effective voltage regulation and system autonomy.



Battery charging profile

CONCLUSION



- This thesis presents a hybrid PV–battery–diesel system designed for urban neighborhoods in Karachi to address energy shortages, grid unreliability, and rising electricity costs.
- Techno-economic analysis using HOMER Pro identified an optimal system configuration, achieving an LCOE of \$0.2959/kWh and a 25-year NPC of \$15,562.55 while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Dynamic modeling and simulation in MATLAB/Simulink validated system stability, with robust voltage and frequency control under variable solar and load conditions.
- Advanced control strategies were implemented for time-shared load management and centralized battery charging, ensuring efficient resource utilization and preventing generator overloading.
- The proposed system offers a scalable, cost-effective, and sustainable solution for urban energy resilience, supporting Pakistan's transition toward clean and reliable power systems.

FUTURE WORK



- **Advanced PV and Storage Technologies:** Explore high-efficiency panels such as bifacial, heterojunction, and perovskite, along with next-generation batteries including lithium-ion, sodium-ion, and flow batteries to enhance performance and reduce lifecycle costs.
- **Enhanced Control Strategies:** Develop Model Predictive Control, artificial intelligence, and machine learning-based controllers for adaptive operation and efficient resource utilization.
- **IoT and SCADA Integration:** Design real-time monitoring and control platforms with smart alerts via SMS or email and automated fault detection to improve system resilience.
- **Optimization Under Uncertainty:** Apply stochastic and multi-objective optimization techniques to manage variability in weather and household energy demand effectively.
- **Hardware Demonstration:** Conduct hardware-in-the-loop testing and field trials to validate control strategies in practical operating conditions.

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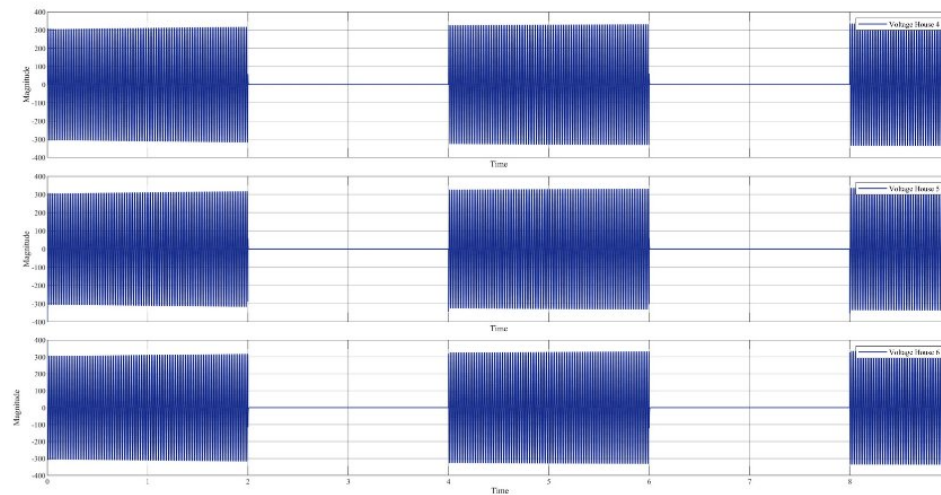


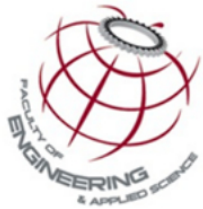
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