

My research plan for the master's program

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Overview

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 - Statistical and numerical analysis
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Some of the emerging research topics

Examples of independent research topics

- Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT)
- Hybrid power supplies



Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) I

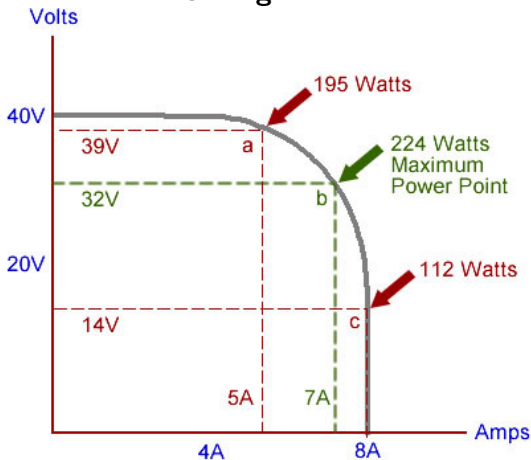
Problem statement

Renewable energies are not constant power suppliers. MPPT is a controller, usually an electronic circuit implementing an algorithm to extract the maximum possible power from the renewable energy source at all the times.



Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) II

Defining MPPT

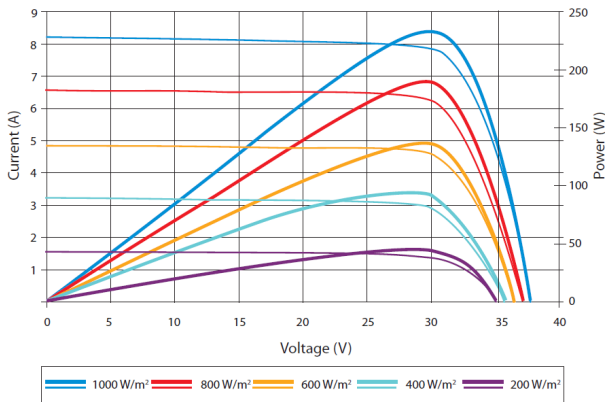


VI (Voltage-current) curve of a battery.



Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) III

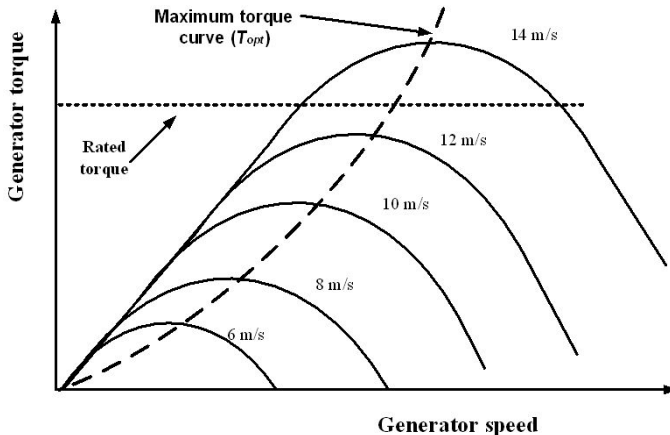
MPPT application to the photovoltaic (PV) cells Current-Voltage & Power-Voltage Curve(230-20)



PV current vs voltage curve at the various solar intensity.

Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) IV

MPPT application to wind mills



Generator speed vs torque curve at the various wind speeds.



Hybrid renewable energy systems (HRES) I

Problem statement

- Providing the solutions to grid independent renewable energy sources.
- Selection of capacity of each power source.
- Optimized switching between different power sources.



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- Sciences: Basics of differential equations, basic classical physics
- Technology: Basic analog and digital electronics, control systems
- Computer knowledge: At least one programming language



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Target journals

| Journal | I.P. | Review time |
|--|------|-------------|
| Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews | 7 | 1-2 years |
| IEEE Transaction on Industry Application | 1.9 | >1 |
| Applied Energy | 5 | ≈ 1 |
| Solar Energy | 3.7 | >1 |



Examples of research support

- Automation of a process
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Automation of a process

Examples

- Building a custom signal conditioner circuit.
- Process control, i.e. Controlling flow, temperature etc. with high precision.
- Custom experimental setup.



Statistical and numerical analysis

Examples

- Organizing, making a computer program for collecting and processing data.
- Working in parallel to the experimenting professor to provide help with the mathematical part of the article to speed up publications.



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Questions?

Thank you for your attention.

