

# PROJECT REPORT PART 1

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# Project Report

Part 1

#### Scope

This investigation involves the integration of a photovoltaic (PV) battery system as denoted below in Figure 1, with the battery converting solar power to supply a DC link with specifications mentioned in sections below.

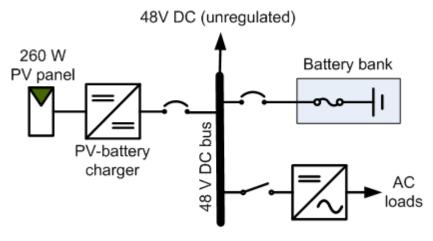


Figure 1: PV System

(Sydney, 2020)

#### System Concept – Part 1

- Power source is the PV panel with a nominal power rating of 260W.
- A PV-battery charger converts the solar power to supply DC link, which is rated to be 48V DC.
- The battery bank is rated as 48V nominal and 4.8kWH in capacity.
- A DC to single-phase AC converter supplies AC loads, which is rated as 230V (RMS) and 50Hz.

#### **Specifications**

Table 1: Circuit Specifications

Parameters	Specification
Rated Maximum Power	260W
Open Circuit Voltage $(V_{oc})$	39.10 <i>V</i>
Short Circuit Current $(I_{sc})$	8.56 <i>A</i>
Voltage (Max Power) $\left(V_{mp} ight)$	31.91 <i>V</i>
Current (Max Power) $\left(I_{mp} ight)$	8.15 <i>A</i>
Maximum Fuse Current	15 <i>A</i>
Maximum System Voltage	1000 <i>V</i>
Module Size	$1640 \times 992 \times 35 \ (mm)$
Module Efficiency	15.98%
Types of Solar Cell	Polycrystalline

The converter topology for the PV – battery charger according to the step-up voltage conversion from 48V to 230V is a flyback converter with the following section highlighting the calculated parameters and further specifications of the converter. This decision to utilize a flyback topology with a transformer structure is attractive due to the low power application, low cost, high efficiency.

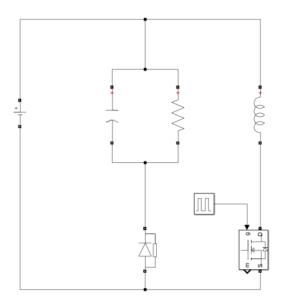


Figure 2: Flyback Configuration Section

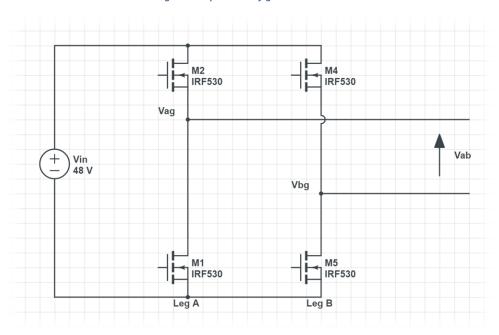


Figure 3: DC/AC Conversion Configuration

#### Circuit Design Calculations - Part 2

- Based on the converter for the PV-battery charger, the design is as follows:

Table 2: Design Specifications

Parameters	Specification
$V_{in}$	31.91V
$V_o$	48 <i>V</i>
R	8.86Ω
$f_{sw}$	100 <i>kHz</i>
$\Delta I_L$	2 <i>A</i>
$\Delta V_o$	1 <i>V</i>

- a. Assuming the operation of the converter is in CCM, the on-state duty ratio  $D_{on}$  is determined as follows;
  - The selection of a duty cycle of  $D_{ON}=40\%$  is utilized to determine the limitation of the turns or coils n.

Note: The required  $V_o = 48V$ .

$$\frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \times \left(\frac{D}{1 - D}\right)$$

• Assume that D = 0.4. If this is substituted, the equation is:

$$\therefore n = \frac{N_2}{N_1} = 2.26$$

- $\circ$  Let the turns ratio be rounded down to integer value n=2, the duty ratio therefore, is calculated to be  $D_{ON}=0.4298$  from the equation above.
- b. The computation for the on-state time  $T_{ON}$  or  $T_{UP}$  is as follows:

$$T_{ON} = \frac{D_{ON}}{f_{sw}} = \frac{0.4298}{100 \times 10^3} = 4.298 \times 10^{-6} s = 4.298 \mu s$$

c. Utilizing the converter specifications, the derivation for the inductance of the converter L is as follows;

$$L = \frac{V_{in}D_{ON}}{\Delta I_L f_{sw}}$$

Note: The magnetizing inductance is given by the equation about which employs the value of the magnetizing inductance current  $I_L$  which is given by the equation below:

$$I_L = \frac{V_o}{(1 - D_{ON})R} \times n$$

 The magnetizing inductance current average is to be multiplied by a factor or percentage resulting in the value that is given within the specification. - Since, the peak-to-peak value for the magnetizing inductance current,  $\Delta I_L$  is given from the specifications, the magnetizing inductance is:

$$L = \frac{(31.91)(0.4298)}{2(100 \times 10^3)} = 68.57 \mu H$$

d. The derivation of the capacitance from the converter specifications is computed as follows;

$$\frac{\Delta V_o}{V_o} = \left(\frac{D_{ON}}{RCf_{sw}}\right) \to \frac{1}{48} = \left(\frac{0.4298}{(8.86)(100 \times 10^3)(C)}\right)$$

Note: The output voltage ripple is limited to a percentage or factor of the output voltage.

The value with this multiplication of the factor resultant is given in the specification table above (*Table 2*).

The capacitance, *C* is calculated with the formula above and has resulted to be:

$$C = 23.28 \mu F$$

### DC to Single-Phase AC Conversion – Part 3

The converter topology for the PV-battery charger according to the voltage ratings of the input and output is the following, four-switch bridge with two legs, A and B. This topology is suitable for single-phase AC conversion from DC, since the application is of relatively low power (< 7kW).

The transformer winding turns ratio is based off the operation of the flyback converter. Furthermore, this calculation is that of a non-isolated buck-boost converter. From the PV parameters in *Table 1* with the required output voltage of 230V.

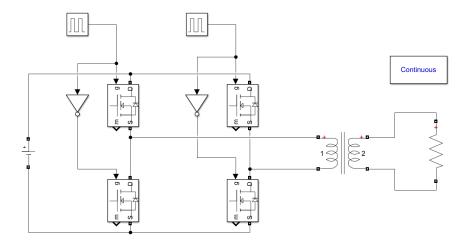


Figure 4: Converter Configuration

- If the defined phase is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  therefore, the  $RMS(V_{ab})$  can be determined with the following calculation:

$$RMS(V_{ab}) = \frac{V_{in}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{48}{\sqrt{2}} = 33.94V \rightarrow n = \frac{V_o}{V_{ab}} = \frac{230}{33.94} = 6.78$$
$$\therefore n = 6.78$$

The values of the duty cycle for the four MOSFET's that are utilized within the system design are assumed to have a  $D_{ON}=50\%$  or 0.5.

The modulation of the index ma and mf is defined as:

$$0 < ma < 1$$

$$ma = \frac{V_r}{V_c}$$

$$ma = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{230}{48} = 4.79$$

$$V_{ab} = ma \times V_{in}$$

It is preferred to output a modified square wave. The following figure defines the potential filtering that can be utilized with a sine wave output in the investigation.

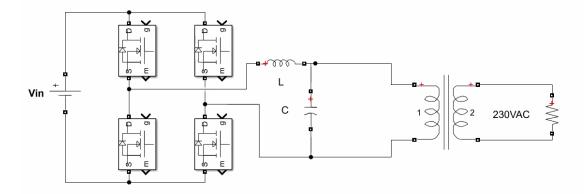


Figure 5: Potential Filter Configuration

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# Appendix

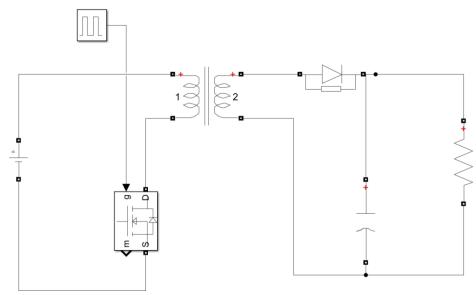


Figure 6: Flyback Component with PV



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Part 2

## **Required Parameters**

The following section highlights all the required parameters to formulate a single diode model for simulation based from the Standard Test Condition (STC):

Table 1: Datasheet Values

Parameter:	Specification:
Nominal Temperature $(T_C)$	25°C or 298°K
Boltzmann's Constant (k)	$1.38 \times 10^{-23} J/K$
Electron Charge $(q)$	$1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$
Short-Circuit Current of Cell at $1000W/m^2$ ( $k_i$ )	0.0006

Table 2: Simulink Rating for Modelling in Simulink

Parameter:	Specification:
Rated Power $(V_{mp})$	240W
Voltage at Maximum Power $(V_{mp})$	30.54V
Current at Maximum Power $(I_{mp})$	7.85A
Open Circuit Voltage $(V_{ocs})$	36.84V
Short Circuit Current $(I_{scs})$	8.38A
Total Number of Cells in Series $(N_s)$	60
Total Number of Cells in Parallel $(N_p)$	1

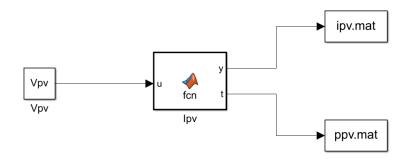


Figure 1: I-V & P-V Curve Model

#### **Calculations**

The first calculation that is required is the  $A_n$ , the diode ideality factor:

$$\begin{split} I_{SCS} &= I_{SS} \left[ e^{\frac{V_{OCS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1 \right] \rightarrow I_{SS} = \frac{I_{SCS}}{e^{\frac{V_{OCS}}{V_{OCS}}}} - 1 \\ I_{MS} &= I_{SCS} - I_{SS} \left[ e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1 \right] \rightarrow I_{SS} = \frac{I_{SCS} - I_{MS}}{e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1} \\ & \therefore \frac{I_{SCS} - I_{MS}}{e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}}} = \frac{I_{SCS}}{e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1} \\ & \frac{\left( e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1 \right)}{\left( e^{\frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1 \right)} = 1 - \frac{I_{MS}}{I_{SCS}} \\ V_{TCS} &= \frac{kT_{CS}}{q} = \frac{60(1.38 \times 10^{-23})(298)}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 1.542V \\ & \frac{\left( e^{\frac{19.80}{A_n}} - 1 \right)}{\left( e^{\frac{23.89}{A_n}} - 1 \right)} = 1 - 0.9368 = 0.0632 \\ & C_1 = \frac{V_{MS}}{V_{TCS}} \\ & C_2 = \frac{V_{OCS}}{V_{TCS}} \\ & C_3 = 1 - \frac{I_{MS}}{I_{SCS}} \\ & \therefore C_1 = 19.81, C_2 = 23.89, C_3 = 0.0632 \\ & f(A_{inv}) = e^{19.81A_{inv}} - 0.0632e^{23.89A_{inv}} = 0 \\ & A_{inv} = 1/A_n \\ & \therefore A_n = 1.4538 \end{split}$$

<u>Note:</u> This value  $A_n$ , was determine using MATLAB 2018b solve function.

$$I_{SS} = \frac{I_{SC}}{e^{\frac{V_{OCS}}{V_{TCS}A_n}} - 1} \rightarrow I_{SS} = \frac{8.38}{e^{\frac{36.84}{1.542(1.4538)}} - 1}$$
$$\therefore I_{SS} = 6.1097 \times 10^{-7} A$$

$$i_{d} = I_{SS} \times e^{\frac{qV_{pv}}{k \times 298 \times A_{n}N_{S}}} - 1$$

$$I_{PV} = I_{SCS} - i_{d}$$

$$D_{OC} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\tilde{V}_{OCS}}{V_{OCS}} - 1\right)^{2}} & D_{SC} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\tilde{I}_{SCS}}{I_{SCS}} - 1\right)^{2}}$$

$$D_{OC} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{36.84}{36.84} - 1\right)^{2}} = 0 & D_{SC} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{8.38}{8.38} - 1\right)^{2}} = 0$$

: As expected the output at STC display zero values for the deviation of the open-circuit voltage and short-circuit current, as per criteria.

$$D_{MPP} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\tilde{P}_{MPP}}{P_{MPP}} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tilde{V}_{MPP}}{V_{MPP}} - 1\right)^2}$$

$$D_{MPP} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{240.7}{240} - 1\right)^2 + \left(\frac{30.83}{30.54} - 1\right)^2} = 0.0099$$

In conclusion, the true distance from the true MPP normalization is calculated as above and shown to be accurate due to its small magnitude regarding the simulation model output.

#### STC Figures - Simulation Model

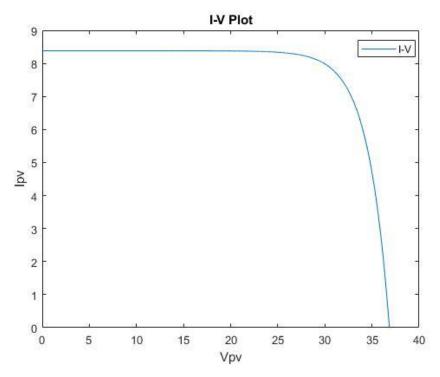


Figure 2: I-V Plot

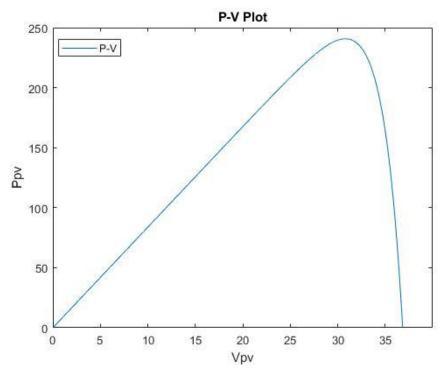


Figure 3: P-V Plot

#### **PV ISDM Simulation Model**

The following section highlights the real-world representation with appropriate solar irradiance and cell temperature of  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ :

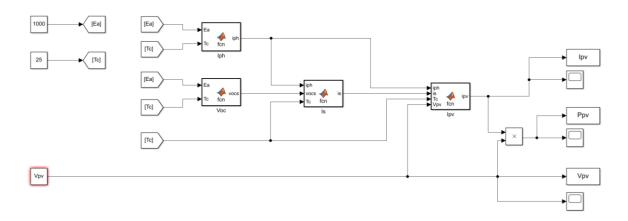


Figure 4: Simulation Model - PV ISDM

# I-V & P-V Output Curves – Solar Cell

With a changing solar irradiance, the output I-V and P-V plots are as follows:

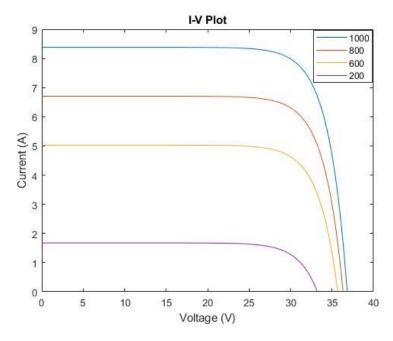


Figure 5: I-V Plot for Solar Cell

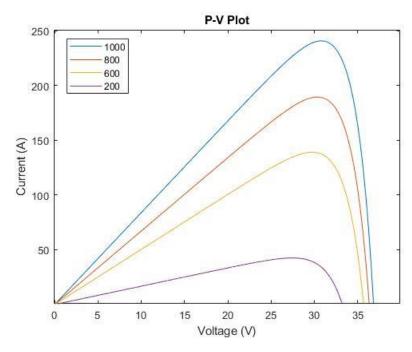


Figure 6: P-V Plot for Solar Cell

#### **Appendix**

For the calculations of the PV ISDM Simulation Model the following MATLAB functions were created in the creation of the I-V & P-V plots:

```
I_{nh} Calculations
      function iph = fcn(Ea, Tc, Estc, Iscs)
           alpha = 0.06/100;
          delta t = Tc - 298;
           iph = (Ea/Estc) * (Iscs*(1+(alpha*delta t)));
      end
V<sub>oc</sub> Calculations
      function vocs = fcn(Ea, Tc, Voc)
               vt = 1;
               Voc 1 = Voc/60;
               beta = -0.33/100;
               if(Ea == 1000)
                   vt = 1;
               elseif(Ea == 800)
                   vt = 0.989;
               elseif(Ea == 600)
                   vt = 0.972;
               elseif(Ea == 200)
                   vt = 0.911;
               end
               delta t = Tc - 298;
               vocs = Voc 1*(1-beta*delta t)*vt;
      end
I<sub>s</sub> Calculations
      function is = fcn(iph, vocs, Tc, k, q, An)
           is = iph/(exp(vocs*q)/(k*Tc*An));
      end
I_{pv} Calculations
      function ipv = fcn(iph, is, Tc, Vpv, q, k, An)
          id = is * (exp((q*Vpv)/(k*Tc*An))-1);
           ipv = iph-id;
      end
```

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# PV System – Case Study

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#### **Abstract**

The following document will highlight the investigation and overall system design, performance and specifications of a *PV system*. The report will also encompass a Simulink design of the *PV system* along with an analysis of the results according to the design requirements.

Keywords – PV, photovoltaic, Simulink, solar cell, converter, inverter.

#### Introduction

The following investigative report will highlight the *PV system*, with reference to its simulation performance with MATLAB & Simulink. The *PV* design has been highlighted within a previous report (*Part 2*) and therefore, the system in this investigation will utilize the *PV array* function to simplify connections overall.

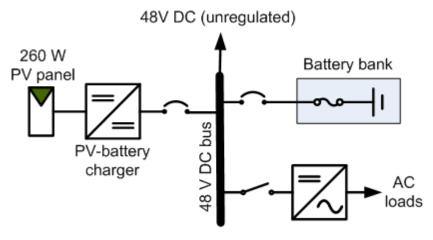


Figure 1: PV System

(Sydney, 2020)

#### **Specifications**

The power source is *PV* is rated at a nominal power 260*W*. The *PV-battery charger* within this report in specific aims to covert the solar power to supply the DC link, rated at 48*V* DC. The *battery bank* is rated as 48*V* nominal and 4.8*kWH* in capacity. Finally, the *DC to single-phase AC converter* supplies AC loads, which is rated as 230*V* (RMS) and 50*Hz*.

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#### Datasheet

Table 1:Design Specifications

Parameter	Specification
Rated Maximum Power	260W
<i>Open Circuit Voltage</i> (V <sub>OC</sub> )	39.10V
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Maximum System Voltage	1000V
Module Size	$1640 \times 992 \times 35(mm)$
Module Efficiency	15.98%
Types of Solar Cell	Polycrystalline

#### **Equations & Formulations**

Table 2:DC - DC Boost Converter Specifications

Parameters	Specification
$V_{in}$	31.91 <i>V</i>
$V_o$	48 <i>V</i>
R	8.86Ω
$f_{sw}$	100 <i>kHz</i>
$\Delta I_L$	2 <i>A</i>
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- If the defined phase is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  therefore, the  $RMS(V_{ab})$  can be determined with the following calculation:

$$RMS(V_{ab}) = \frac{V_{in}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{48}{\sqrt{2}} = 33.94V \rightarrow n = \frac{V_o}{V_{ab}} = \frac{230}{33.94} = 6.78$$
  
$$\therefore n = 6.78$$

Hence, the n can be rounded to 7 turns.

Therefore, the specifications for the transformer windings has been arranged as follows:

winding 2 parameter:

$$→ voltage V_2(V_{RMS}) = n \times RMS(V_{ab})$$

$$→ 33.94 \times 7 = 237.58V$$

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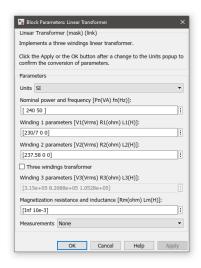


Figure 2: PV Array Specifications

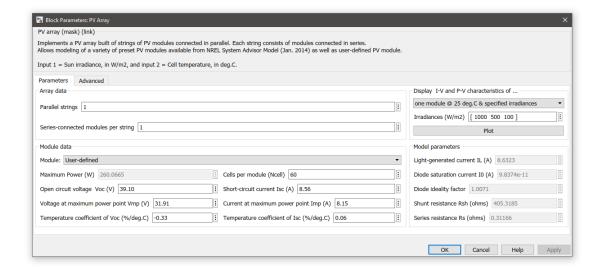


Figure 3: Transformer Specifications

#### **Design Requirements**

The following section highlights all the required parameters to formulate a single diode model for simulation based from the Standard Test Condition (STC):

Table 3: Datasheet Values – PV IDSM Design

Parameter:	Specification:
Nominal Temperature $(T_C)$	25°C or 298°K
Boltzmann's Constant (k)	$1.38 \times 10^{-23} J/K$
Electron Charge (q)	$1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$
Short-Circuit Current of Cell at $1000W/m^2$ ( $k_i$ )	0.0006

Table 4: Cell Count - PV IDSM Design

Parameter:	Specification:
Total Number of Cells in Series $(N_s)$	60
Total Number of Cells in Parallel $(N_p)$	1

#### PV System Design

The system can be broken down into an initial *PV solar cell array* function or component that is responsible for the solar panel or *PV ISDM* element representing a real-world situation with *solar irradiance* and *cell temperature*. The *battery bank* operates in conjunction to the *DC Bus* acting as an entire unit that is the *PV – battery charger*. Prior the battery's operation within the system, the *DC-DC* boost (further discussed in the *Discussion* and *Conclusion* section of this investigative report) is designed to operate to the design requirements for the voltage input and output ratings. The integration of the simulated *DC/AC inverter* allows for the appropriate connection from the battery to the *step-up transformer*. This allows for connection to grid or for further filtering to occur (discussed further in the *Discussion* and *Conclusion* section of this report).

<u>Note:</u> The Design for the *single diode model* for simulation is assumed to operate in *Standard Test Condition (STC)*.

The following section highlights the final PV system design utilized for the simulations and analysis:

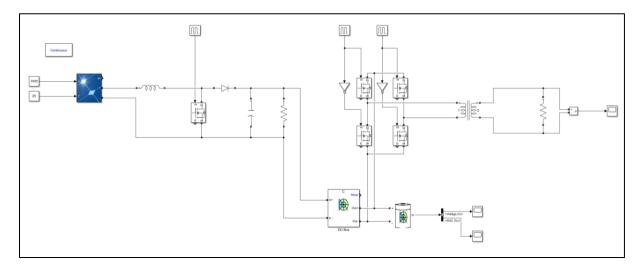


Figure 4: PV System

Note: The following displays the overall parameters utilized in designing the PV-battery:

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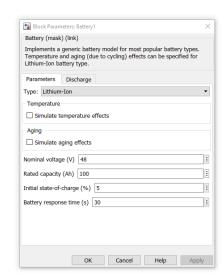


Figure 5: DC Bus & Battery Parameters

#### Results & Discussion

The battery charge is noted to have reached approximately 47.24V as an RMS value relatively close to the requirement of 48V however, falls short due to the calculation within Simulink outputs and measurement restrictions using tools within the *scope function*. The losses are caused primarily from active components such as the MOSFETS.

The following plot highlights the simulation of the charge from the PV generator to the battery:

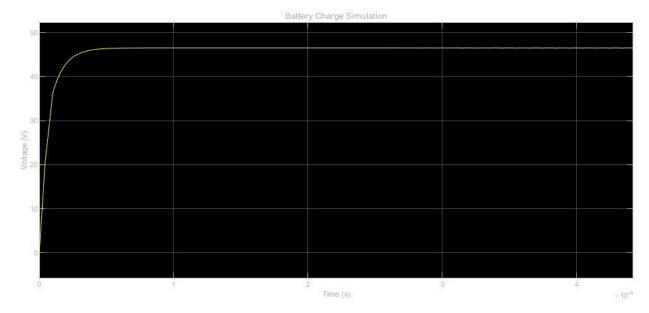


Figure: Battery Charge - PV Generator

The output voltage is measured to be close to the design requirement, highlighted at 221V in comparison with the expected 230V. Possible reasons for the difference in the output voltage not matching the requirement or expected voltage is due to the chosen *duty cycle* and hence, following calculations for the

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transformer specifications (as highlighted for Final Project Report 1 and in the Equations and Formulations section).

The output voltage delivered to the grid is highlighted below:

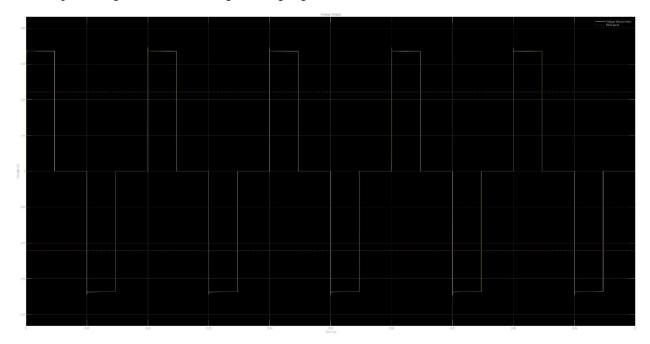


Figure 6: Voltage Output

#### Conclusion & Recommendation

In summation, the overall system operates in close specification to the design requirements with the appropriate output voltage, SOC (denoted in *Appendix Figure 8*) and battery charge as mentioned. Furthermore, within this project as an overall overview, the buck converter design within the *Final Project Report Part 1*, was replaced with a boost converter due to a simpler design, calculations and furthermore, realistically allows for a more efficient performance.

For future investigations, it is recommended that a capacitor and inductor is utilized at the *AC Loads* section of the system design acting as a filter to create a more consistent voltage output for realistic applications. This was not explored due to its mention being not included from the design requirements.

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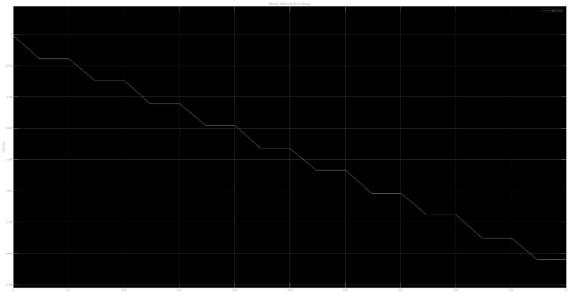


Figure 7: SOC Trace - PV Battery

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