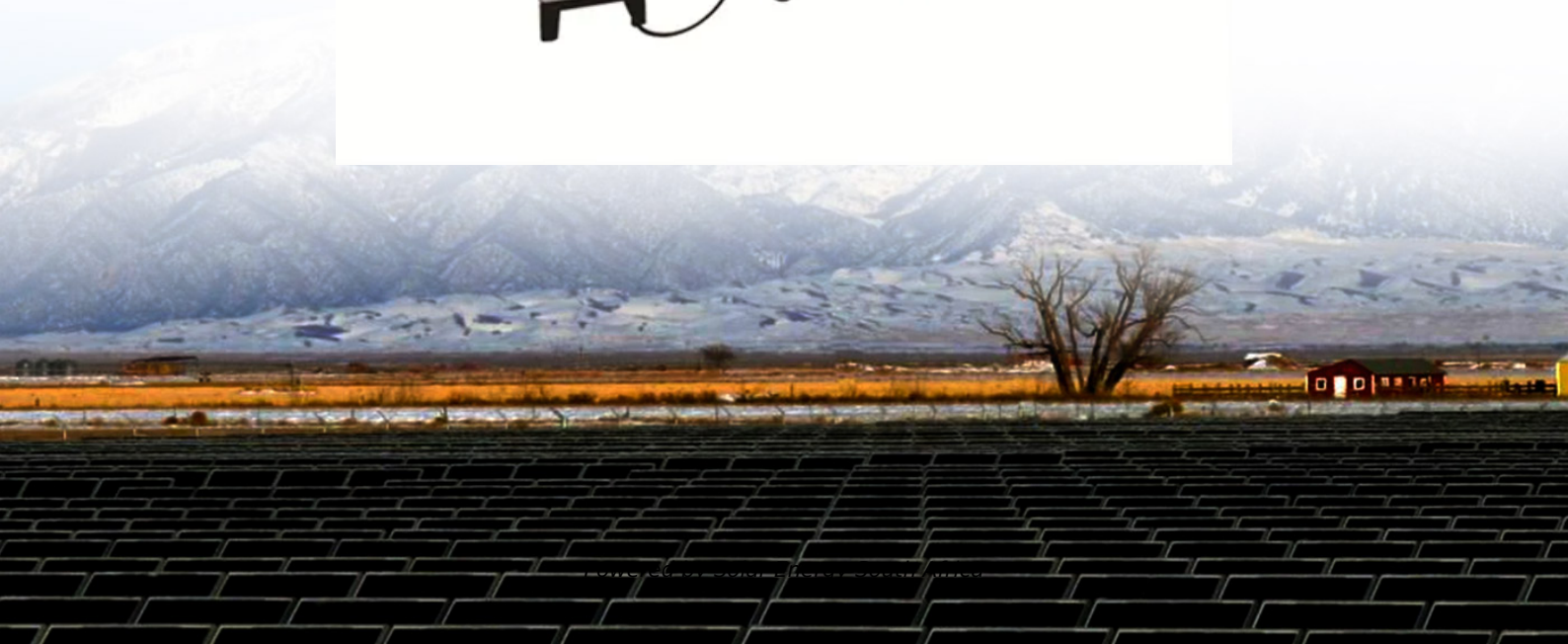


## Solar Energy South Africa

# Universal variable measurement of photovoltaic panels



## Overview

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I-V measurements are the PV industry standard for characterizing and ranking the performance of solar cells and modules. How do you measure the electrical characteristics of PV modules?

Measurement of monitoring systems parameters The electrical characteristics of the PV modules are stated by current-voltage (I-V) and power-voltage (P-V) curves (Kharb et al., 2014, Boutana et al., 2017, Aranda et al., 2009). It is important to measure current and voltage values to monitor the power generation of the PV module.

What is a low-cost virtual instrumentation of PV panel characteristics?

This paper describes a low-cost virtual instrumentation of PV panel characteristics based on Arduino and Excel. The proposed instrumentation system is able to make acquiring, monitoring and storing the data of the PV system in real time.

What parameters are measured in a PV Monitoring System?

The parameters measured in each PV monitoring system may vary. Although current, voltage, temperature, and radiation are the most frequently measured data, some systems measure different parameters. Three types of parameters are used to monitor PV systems: electrical data, environmental data, and real-time device operation data.

How to measure the I-V characteristic of PV modules?

Thus, in order to reduce the effect of solar irradiance and temperature fluctuations, several techniques are used to automatically measure the I-V characteristic of PV modules. Cotfas et al. used the capacitor charging cycle as an automatic variable load to measure the PV cell I-V curve by about a hundredth of a second.

What is a PV panel?

A PV panel is composed of several PV cells placed in parallel or in series which convert the solar energy into DC electrical energy (Ozdemir et al. 2014 ). The equivalent circuit of the PV panel is presented in Fig. 1 (Motahhir et al. 2015, 2016 ).

What is a PV instrumentation system?

The proposed instrumentation system is able to make acquiring, monitoring and storing the data of the PV system in real time. Moreover, this instrument is validated in this work by comparing its experimental data with those obtained by a PSIM model of PV panel which has been verified by various researchers in their studies.

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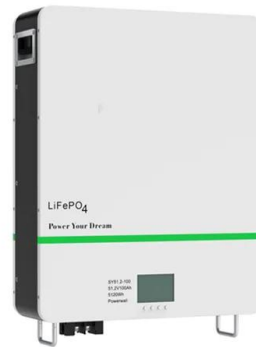
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