

PROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTS: MICROINVERTER

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Abstract - Solar inverter converts direct voltage from solar panels to AC supply. DC supply which is converted to AC. Solar inverter takes supply from panel and panel produce DC supply. AC load is connected to inverter. Solar inverter will sense DC as well as AC supply with it will take first DC supply they according to load requirement it will take AC supply from grid we can program the inverter we like with the help of microcontroller in it. MPPT and PWM inverter will compare their performance using simulation will be validated.

Keywords: Solar PV system, MPPT, PWM.

I. INTRODUCTION

Solar inverter converts direct voltage from solar panels to AC supply. DC supply which is converted to AC. Solar inverter takes supply from panel and panel produce DC supply. AC load is connected to inverter. In photovoltaic cell used a device solar micro inverter which converts direct current into alternating current this is generating by a single solar module. While several solar micro inverters are combined with each other it may result in electric grid.

Panel of PV system a multiple solar module are connected to string inverter which differentiated with micro inverter. As per compare to conventional inverter micro inverters has several advantages. If entire array supposed to shading, debris or snow lines on one solar module or on complete module failure does on disproportionality reduce output, by performing MPPT. The main disadvantages are high initial equipment cost per peak watt. It is necessary to initial adjust the panel because of that it make harder to continue same and more costly to remove and replace.

Direct current produce by solar panel at voltage that depend on module. Module used in solar inverter typically contain 60 cell which normally 6 inch and this produces 30volt. To convert in to AC a single large array to connected in series produce a nominal array which is normally 300 to 600volt. Problem arise with string inverter string of panel act if there a single large panel with maximum current occur a poorest performance in the string. If panel is shaded output drops even if other panel is not shaded. If slight changes in orientation losses are occur. In industry that are called as Christmas light effect. This is not accurate and it also avoid a interaction between module by pass diodes and modern string inverter maximum power point tracking. If inverter placed in panel output efficiency is affected. To increase the production of energy inverter used a technique by adjusting the load which is MPPT. MPPT system is applied the system if panel output varies which will affect to load. In string inverter a single panel is used which operate at differential point to match this MPPT. MPPT controller has to move this direction, by using this arrangement losses increases not only the

shaded panel but also the other panel. If shading is occur in surface of array this will reduce a 54% of power in system. However losses are reduce the effect of partial shading. String inverter are available in smaller power rating, centralize inverter also face some challenges such as heat dissipation if large inverter are used it is cooled by using cooling fans. In this inverter a cooling fan is used which is quite noise, so it is difficult to used central inverter to used in working place like offices and homes. A cooling fan is used in this it may give differs effect toothier performance because of dust, dirt and moisture. String inverter quite than central inverter but in after noon string inverter makes some noise when power is low. Micro inverter is modern type of inverter, micro inverter is to handle a panel output. Modern grid tie inverter rated in between 225 and 275watt. And micro inverter is typically rating in between 190watt and 220 watt. Many internal are occurring to large design if it is operated at lower power. Large transformer is not used in this also large electrolyte capacitor is exchanged thin film capacitor. Also cooling load is decrease so requirement of fan is eliminated. At back of Panel micro inverter compose a grid matching power. If micro inverter is connected to single panel it allows isolating and also tuning the output. Example if 10 panel used with micro inverter if any of panel is not perform is has no effect on around panels. Because of that it will produce more than string inverter. However single model is used with different panel, and add new panel to array it does not have the same rating as like pervious panel connected in parallel to each panel later on each connected to grid. Over all reliability of micro inverter is greater than string inverter. It has greater warranties than string inverter. Micro inverters are use basically up to 15 to 25 years and string inverter use 5 to 10 years only. If any fault occur in micro inverter is easily find out and this will occur in one point and not supposed to all point. This advantage of micro inverter is costly. Micro inverter has same size of arrangement and in each panel and give a maximum performance. If small number of panel is used per watt raises is reducing and smaller effect on overall cost. Micro inverter has lesser capability than string inverter. The efficiency is increased by each individual panel. When string of a panel is shaded output relatively reduced, this is not occurring in micro inverter.

Advantages of micro inverter are that output of any two panels is not differing but in string inverter is vary by 10% or more. And because of this micro inverter collect a more energy which supplied to load. Micro inverter maintained is easier we can easily monitor an output power of each unit by using app or websites.

II. PROPOSED SYSTEM

Block diagram of the proposed model for the micro inverter is shown in Fig. 1 to convert supply voltage into AC supply voltage. Solar panel supplies a DC voltage to inverter and arduino 328 microcontroller. Arduino microcontroller is operated at 5 volt. It also used 2kb of RAM, 32 kb of flash memory and 1kb of EPROM. 32 kb of RAM is used for storing program. 1kb of EPROM is used for storing parameter. The clock speed is 16 MHz which used to translate per second execute 300,000 lines of c source code.

Solar panel supply DC voltage to inverter. Inverter is used to convert DC into AC. One rechargeable battery is used in this. It has a function to supply dc voltage to inverter and microcontroller. Battery is continuously charge by solar panel and inverter. Whenever solar panel is not providing a DC power in any adverse condition, cloudy atmosphere battery is supply power to inverter and microcontroller. The microcontroller of board has inside called ADC means analogue to digital circuit. This circuit is used to read changing voltage. This circuit is used to convert number in between 0 and 1023. Solar panel is to take a decision to continuously monitor a supply. To monitor a supply to take a decision.

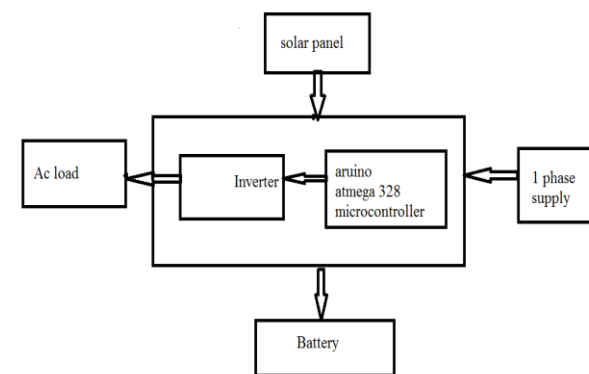


Fig.1 Block diagram proposed model

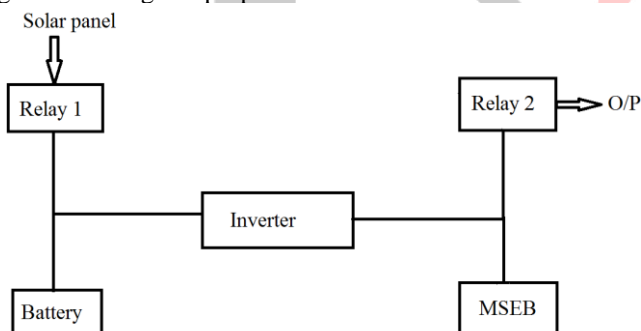


Fig.2 Block diagram of solar inverter

We get supply from solar panel to relay 1 and relay 1 is normally closed (NC), and current passes through relay 2 which is normally closed (NC) to battery and then go to inverter and we get an output. If solar supply is not greater than 5v then MSEB supply voltage to get a output and relay 2 is normally open (NO) and relay 2 is (NC). If solar and MSEB both are less than 5v battery supply a voltage to inverter and relay 2 is (NO) and relay 1 is (NC) so we get a output by bulb.

TABLE 1

HARDWARE SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

System Specification	Rating
IC	CD4047
Resistor	100Ω, 0.5w
Resistor	1k, 18k
Transformer	12-0-12v, 5amp
Solar panel	20w
CFL Bulb	10w
Capacitor	0.22μf
Battery	9v

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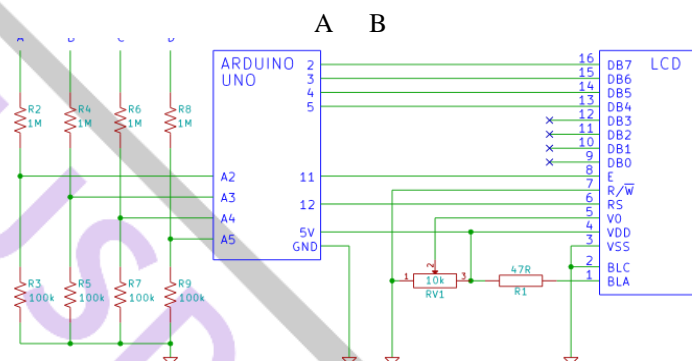


Fig.3 Input circuit for micro inverter

In this diagram show that solar panel voltage is given to A and battery voltage is given to B. Solar panel and battery give a supply to arduino kit to pin A2 and A3. LCD is connected to arduino. By using this action LCD shows a voltage given from solar and battery is continuously supplying or not. Battery voltage and panel voltage is display on LCD screen.

Microcontroller atmega 328 is used this project. It has high performance and low power 8 bit microcontroller. It has a inbuilt analog to digital converter. Microcontroller has features as memory size flash memory 32kB, 1kB of EEPROM and 2kB of RAM. Atmega 328 supports read-write capabilities. It has 23 programmable I/O lines, 28 pin PDIP. The voltage used in this device is 1.8v-5.5v and temperature range in between 40° to 85°.

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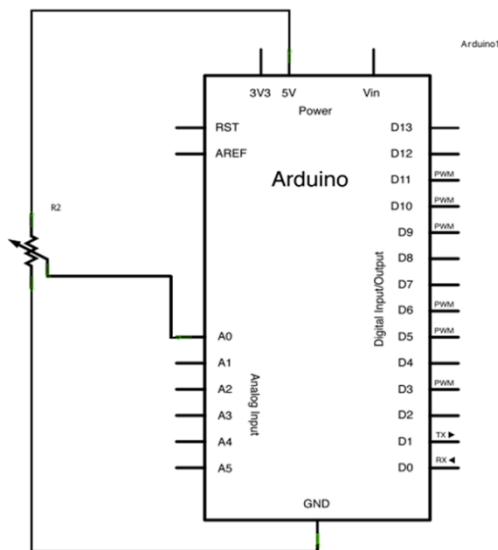


Fig.4 Pin diagram of aurdino

Arduino kit used inside a microcontroller. The pin is connected to variable reactor. Input voltage is 5v.Pin A0 is connected to R2.

V. ARDUINO COMPILER

In arduino compiler aurdino software is used to written a program. The program is written in aurdino software called as sketches. These sketches which has been written in text editor. These written texts are saved with the file extension. The editor has features like cutting, pasting, searching and replacing a text. The messages area also gives a feedback about whenever text is saving, exporting and display some error also. The console displays a text output and some other information and error messages. The tool bar button is used which allow you to verify a text, to upload a programs. The sketches are to open and save and also create using this button. Serial monitor has been opened.

VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper represent if the solar voltage is available then the output is driven by solar and battery will be in charging mode. If solar not available then output is driven by grid and battery will be in charging mode. If Solar and grid both not present then output has driven by battery. LCD shows the solar and battery voltage. By using this design the inverter whose input DC voltage is driven by solar and battery.

The inverter will power one LED bulb of 5W or CFL bulb of 10W.

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