Renewable Energy Technologies A Quick Glance

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No Escape

Energy (+ mass) can neither be created nor destroyed.

It can merely be transformed from one form to another

Energy Sources: Conventional



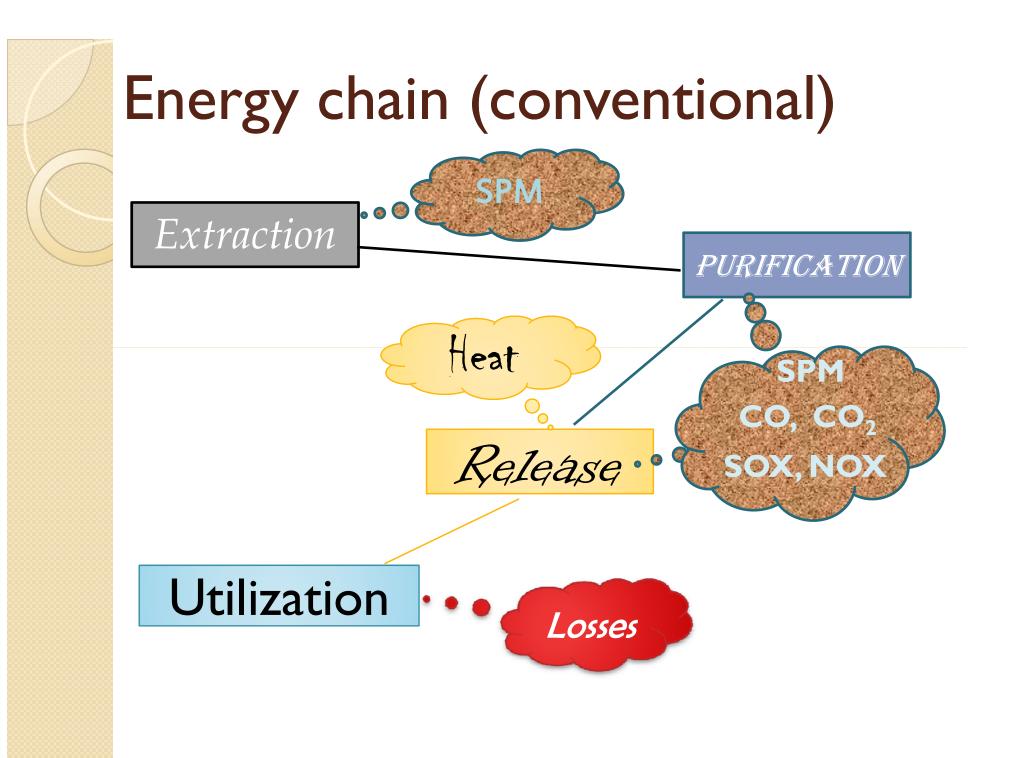


Mineral reserve

- Limited
- Complex processing chain







"Non-conventional" sources





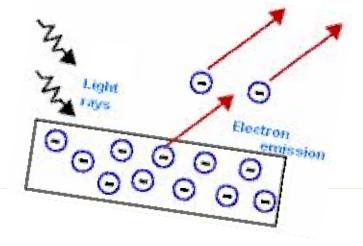
BUT.

WE WANT ELECTRICITY -LOTS OF IT

Sunshine on my panel

Photoelectric Effect

- Special materials
- Light
 Electricity

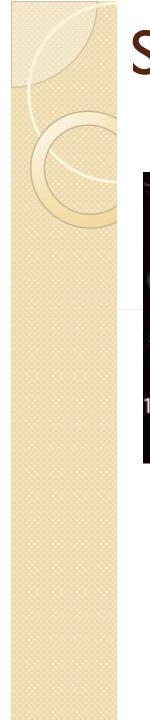


But ... a few hitches

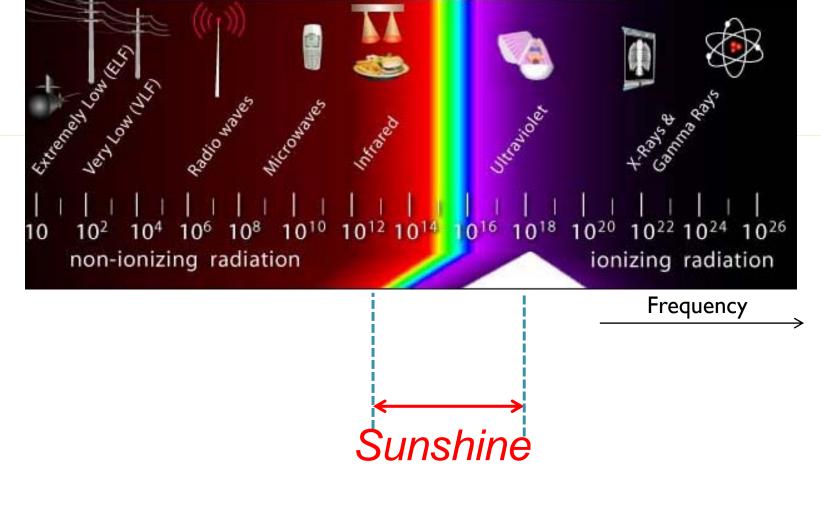
- Light is an electro-magnetic wave frequency
- Any light frequency 🔆 excite photoelectrons



Same frequency light may not excite in all materials



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Sunshine on my panel Sunlight : FREE light

Search for materials which

• are excited with more of the solar spectrum

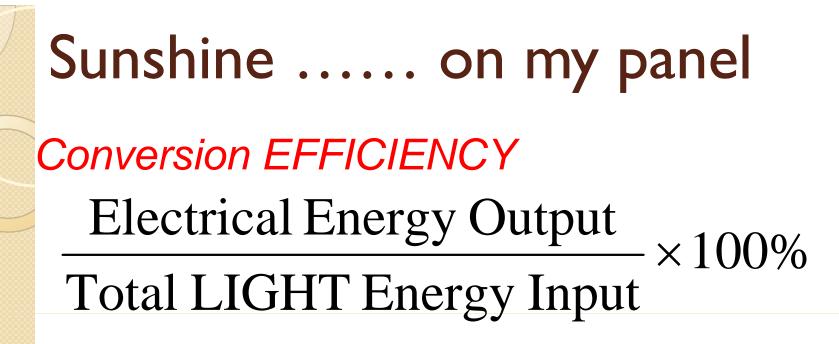
OR

Synthesize them

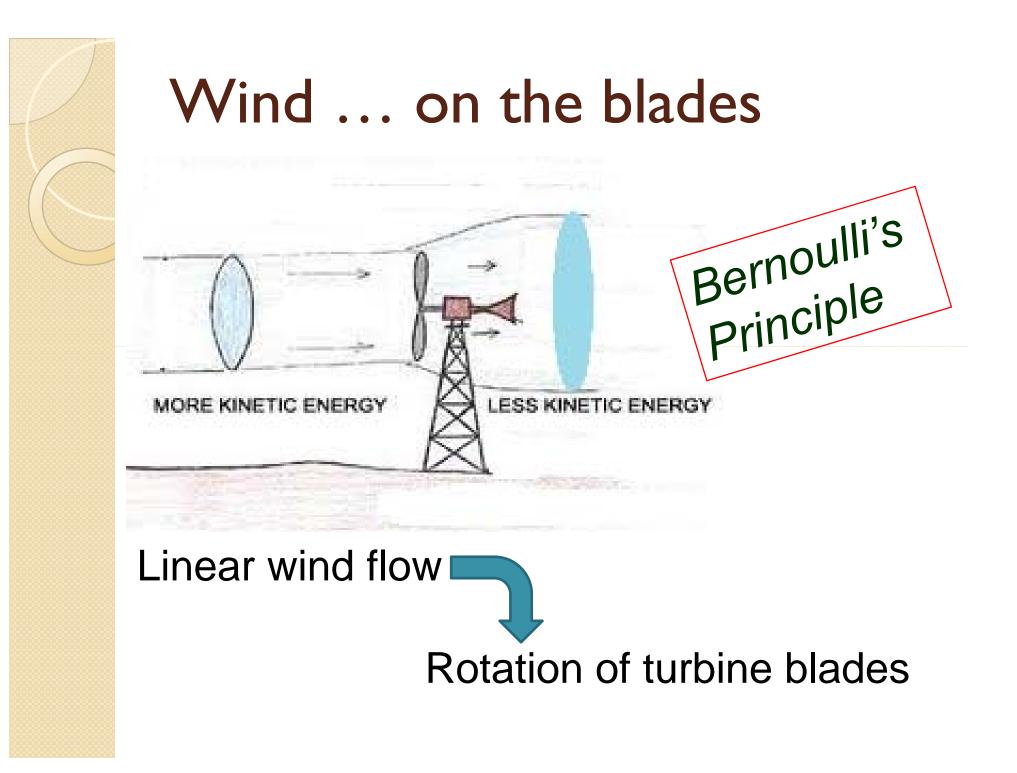
and THEN

Package photoelectric material and electrode

- less recombination, more electricity in the external circuit
- less reflection

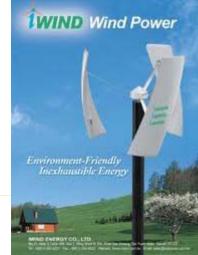


No energy LOST if efficiency less than 100%



Wind ... on the blades







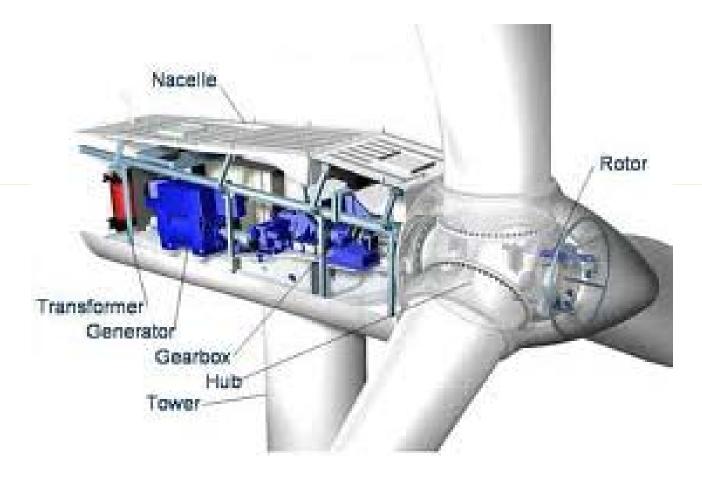
Various Wind Turbine Designs







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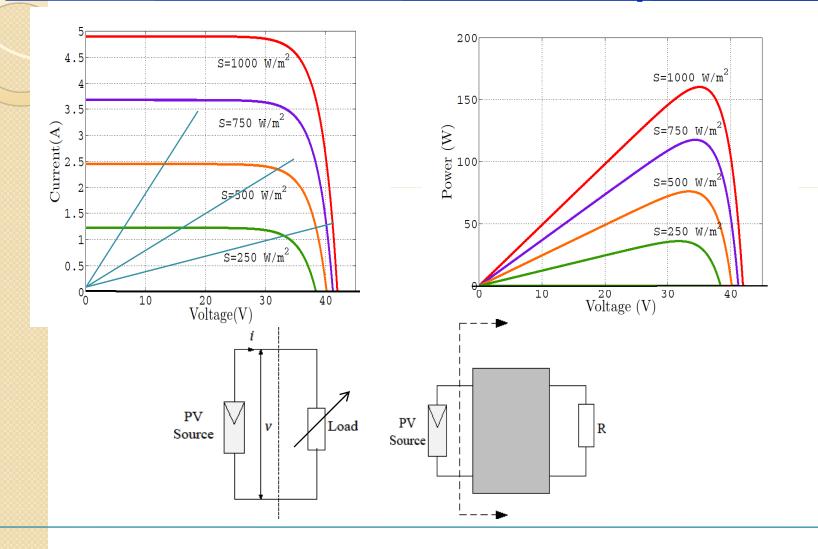


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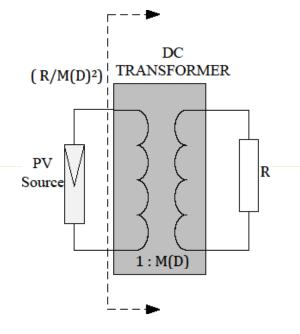
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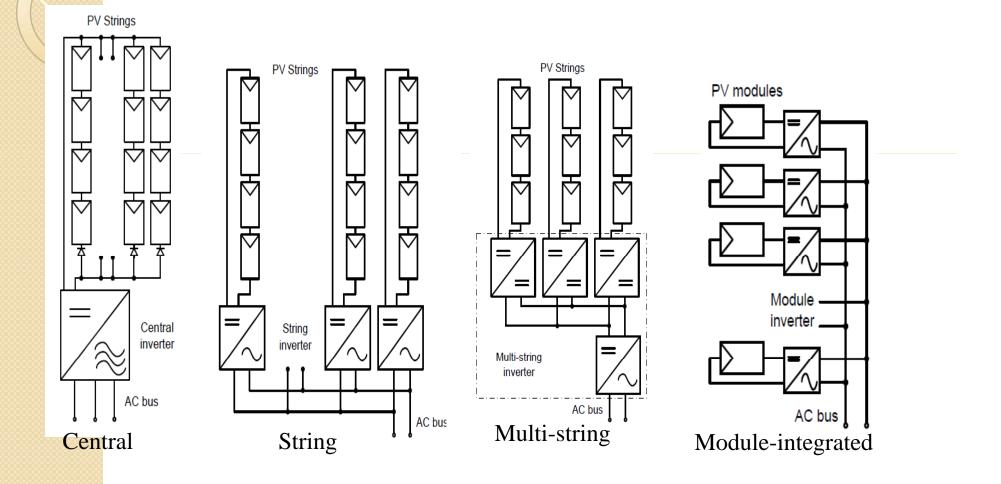


- MPP operation ensures maximum energy harvest
- Important as PV cells have low conversion efficiency(~15%)



- PV output is dc
- Majority of consumer loads are ac
- Distribution systems are ac

PV inverters -Types





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Central/String inverter

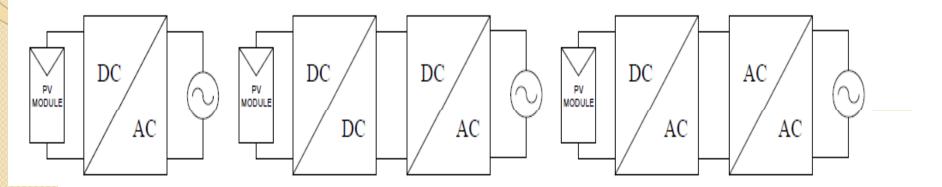
Microinverter

PV inverters – Microinverters

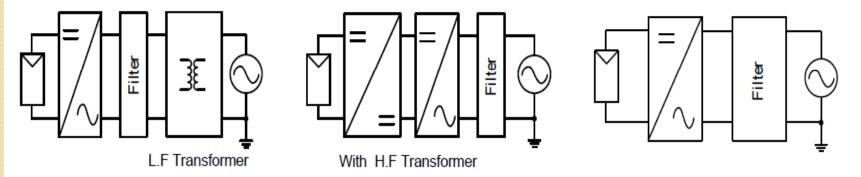
- Individual MPPT possible
- High voltage dc cabling absent
- Improved reliability
- Higher voltage boosting necessary

PV inverters –Types

Single-stage / two-stage



Isolated / non-isolated



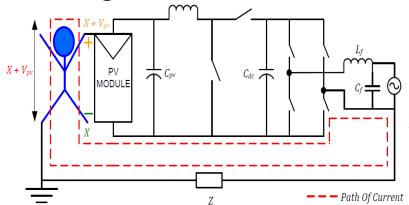
Grounding

To enhance personnel safety and minimize the effect of lightning surges on equipment

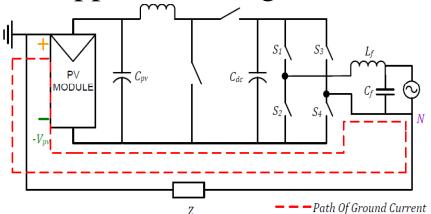
- System grounding connecting electrical terminal to ground (e.g. negative or positive of a dc array, neutral of a split-phase system)
- Equipment grounding connecting metal parts to ground (e.g. metal enclosure, module frame)

Grounding – System Grounding

• Motivation - mitigation of shock hazard

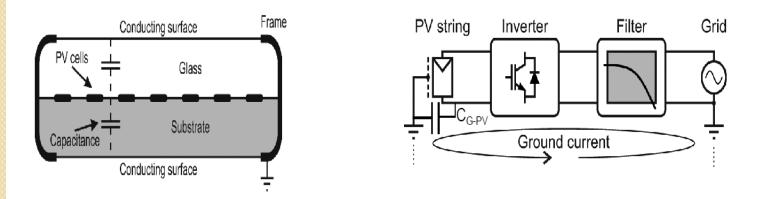


Repercussion – appearance of ground current



Grounding – Equipment Grounding

- Motivation relaxation of system grounding norm
- Repercussion appearance of parasitic capacitance and ground current

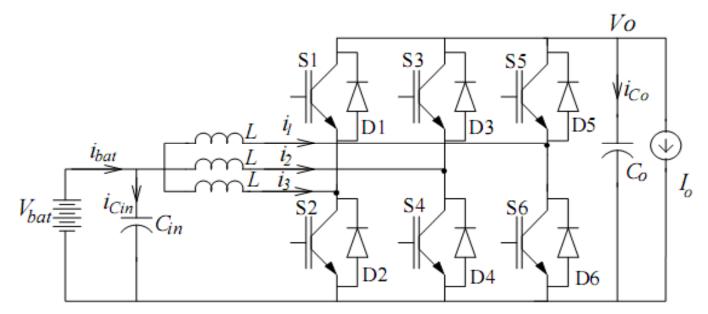


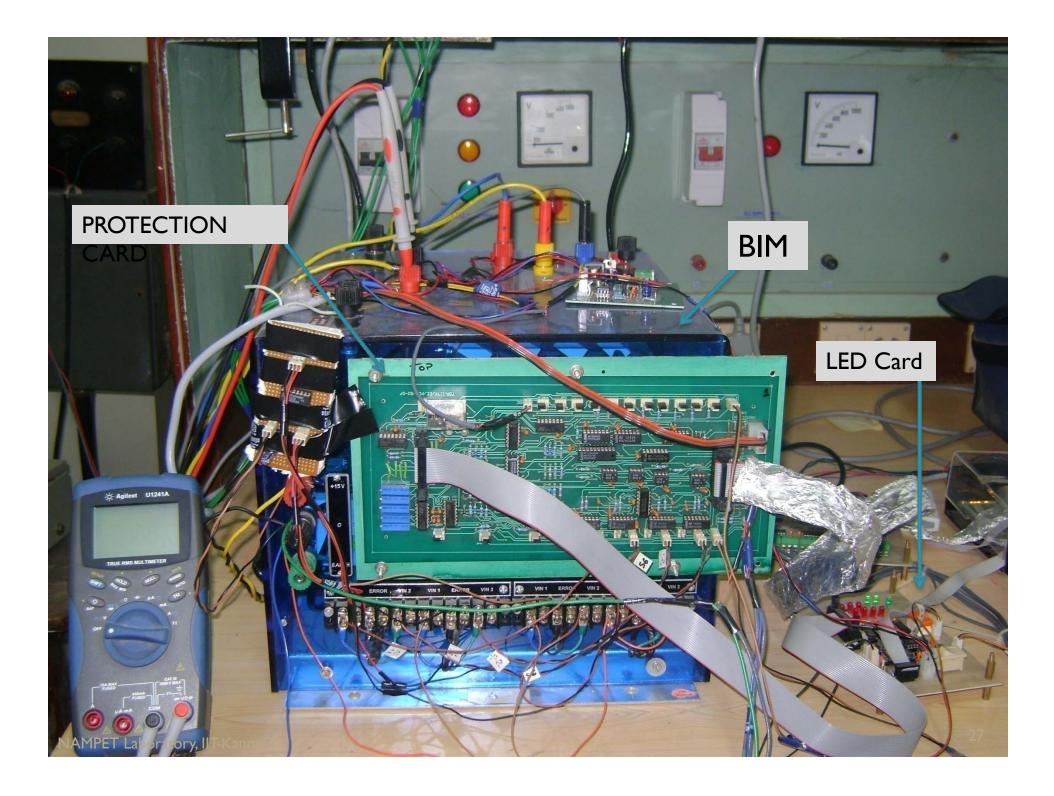
 Ground current increases losses, grid current distortion and EMI

The Battery Interface Module (BIM)

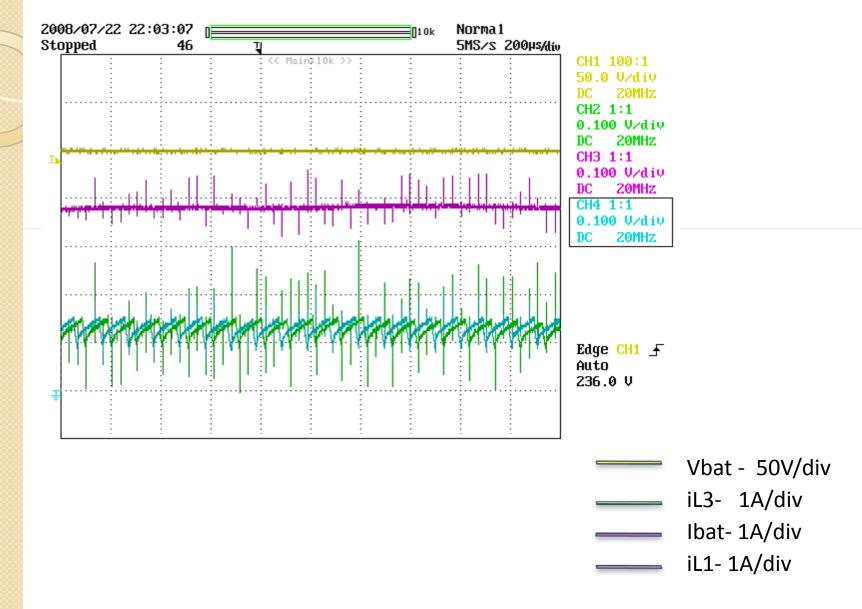
Salient features

- •Bi-directional
- •Structurally the same as a VSI
- •Compatible with the battery bank and DC bus ratings of a typical distributed generation system
- •Modular- IPOP connected

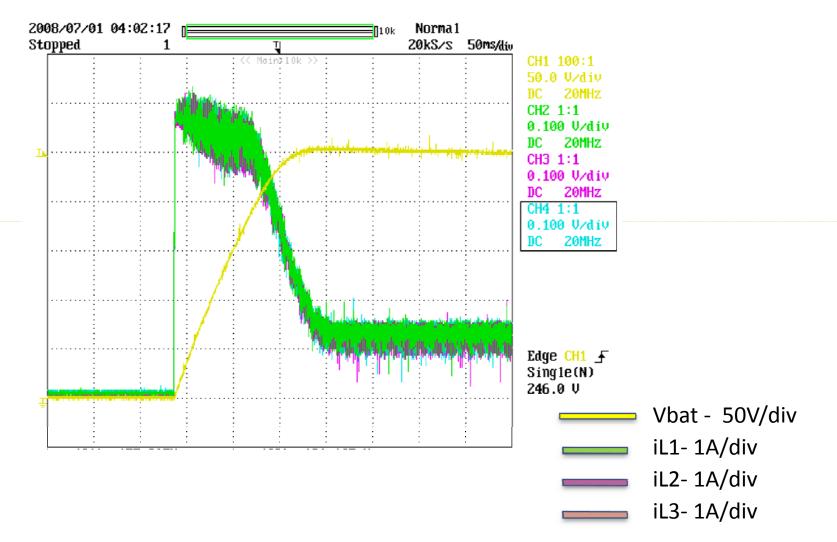




Constant Current Charging



Constant Voltage Charging



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