Photovoltaic Power Plant Performance Optimizer

PV|HARVESTER®



EXCELLENCE IN RENEWABLES

in cooperation with









MOTIVATION

Experience in the field shows:

Almost every solar PV power plant does not operate at its optimum!

- → Waste of revenues for plant owners and investors.
- → Operational risks to lenders and operators.

Harvesting maximum yields is a gain for owners, lenders and operators!

The **PV HARVESTER** delivers:

- Detailed and fast performance analysis on string level.
- Clear view on improvement potential.
- Health check of the asset.







DEVELOPMENT ALGORYTHM - BASIS

- Latest scientific approach
- Best practice engineering
- Long-term experience in algorithm development and PV research
- According to latest PV research and development

BASED ON SCIENCES | PROVEN IN THE FIELD





DEVELOPMENT ALGORYTHM – APPROACH

1. Data collection

- Import of PV power plant data
- Import of meteorological measurement data

2. Data Processing

- Exclusion of any corrupt values
- Data quality check
- Temperature-correction to standard test conditions (STC)
- Determination of system KPIs (PR, P1000, spec. yield, availability,...)

3. Data analysis

- Localizing underperformance
- Root cause analysis
- Data visualization
- Standardized box plots, scatterplots and histograms
- Ranking and best in class identification

4. Reporting

- Evaluation and interpretation of exported results
- Elaboration of cure measures and costs
- Calculation of added value





DEVELOPMENT ALGORYTHM - RESULTS

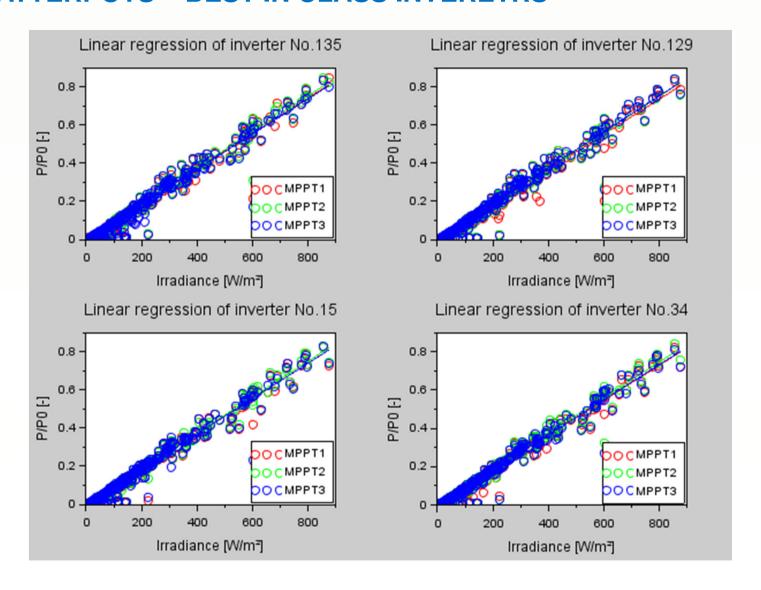
- Monthly and annual performance analysis
- Performance Ratio and availability analysis on inverter level
- P1000 values on string and MPP level
- Visualization of PV plant data
- Full-fledged health check of the assets

Maximized energy yield, revenues and profit!





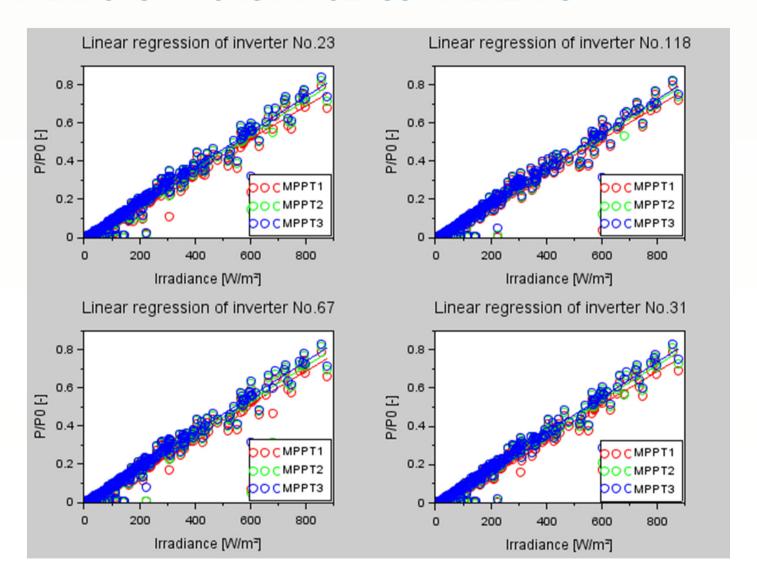
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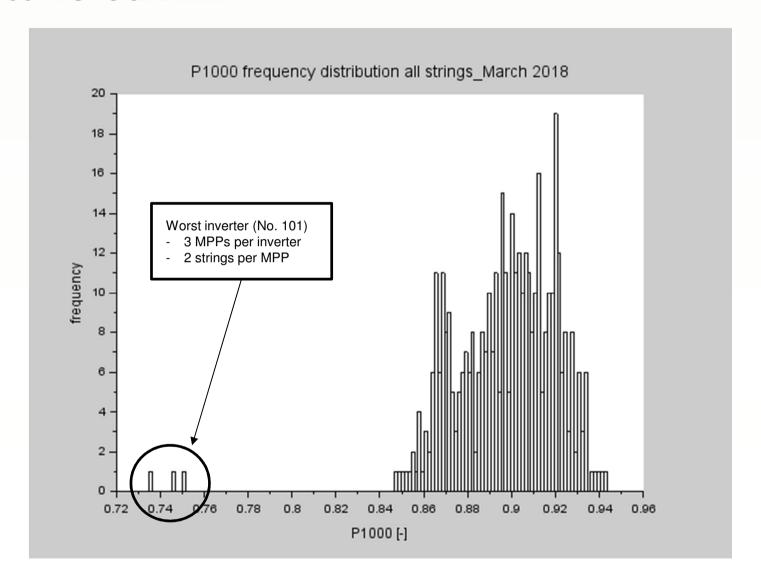
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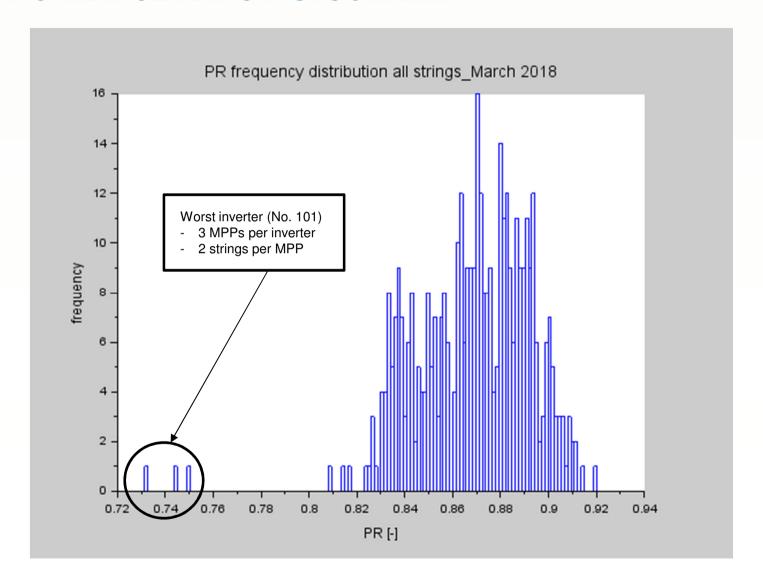
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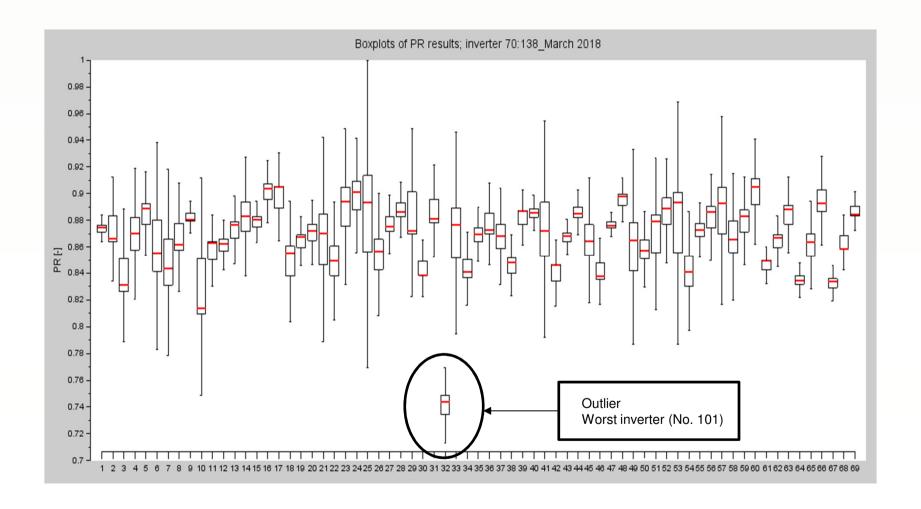
PERFORMANCE RATIO HISTOGRAMM







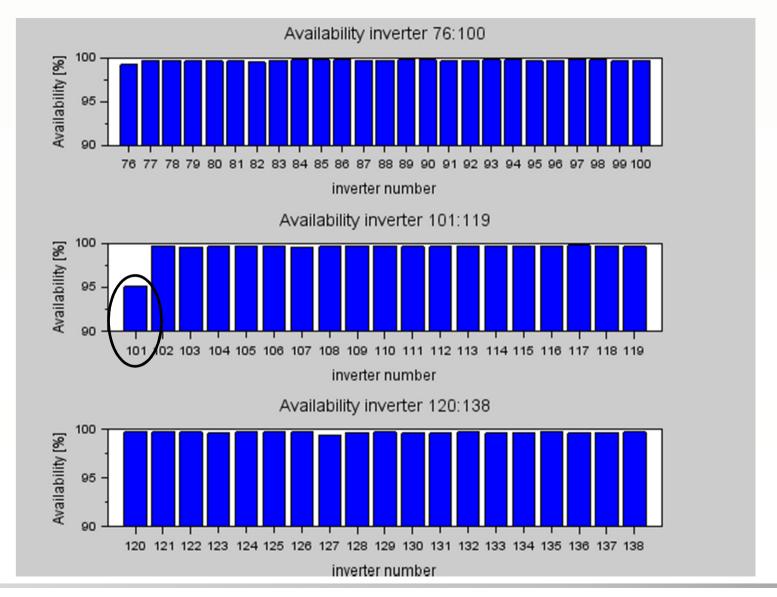
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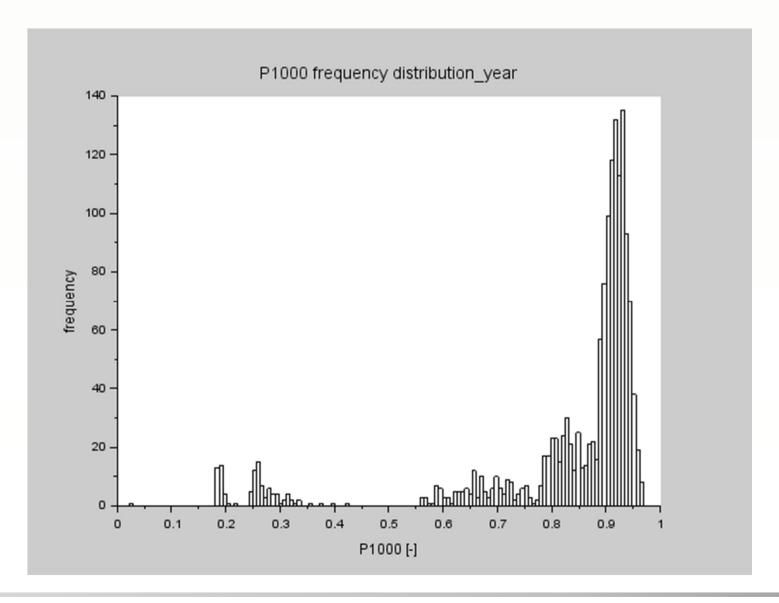
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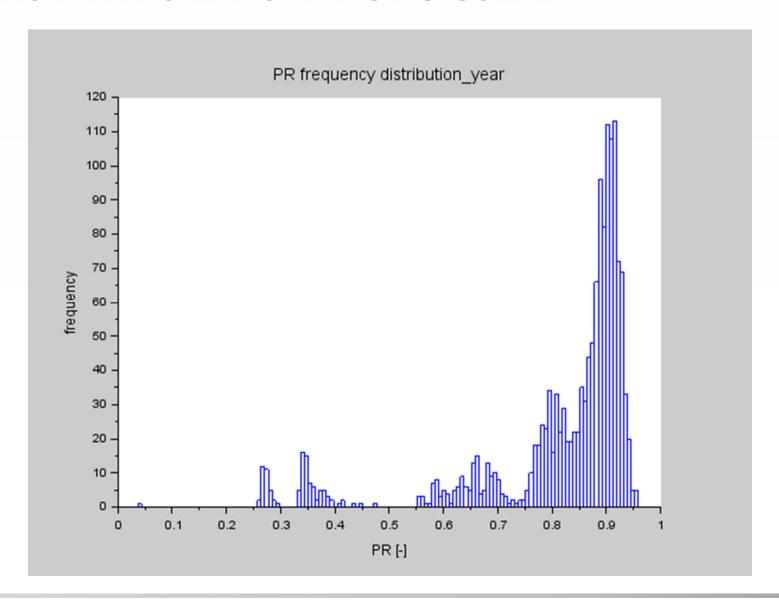
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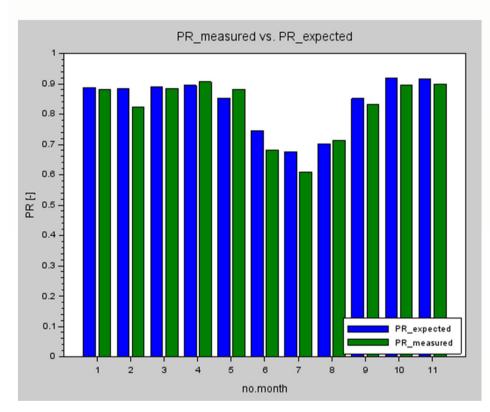
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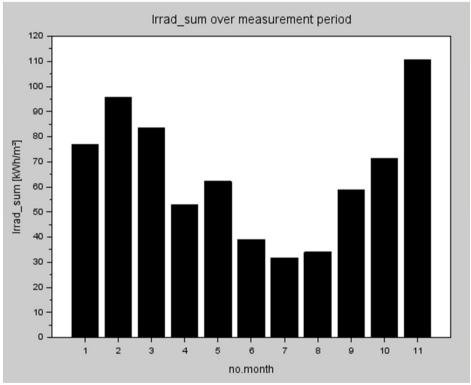






COMPARISSON - PR_{measured} vs. PR_{expected}



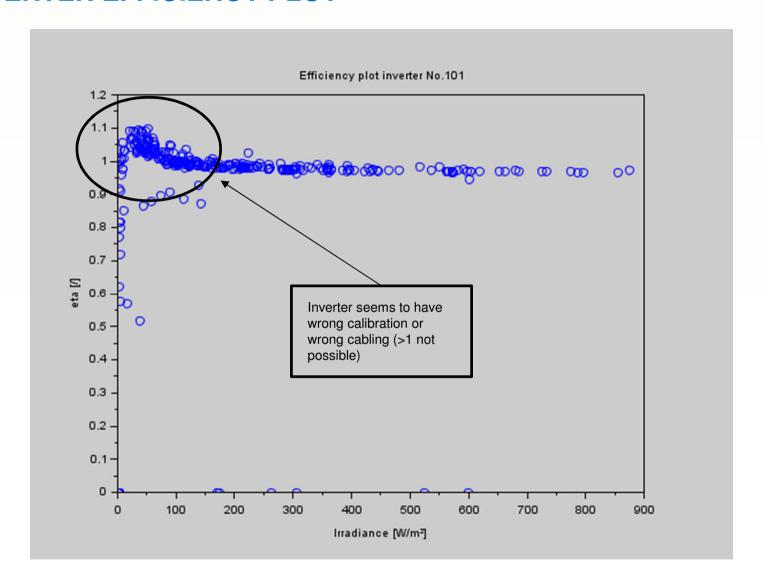


• Note: Month no. 1 = June 2017; no.11 = April 2018





INVERTER EFFICIENCY PLOT







CALCULATION OF ADDED VALUE

- Comparison of actual performance with data from yield assessment
- Ex-post simulation of power plant with measured irradiation and temperature data (assuming 100% availability and ideal technical conditions)
- Comparison of actual plant performance with ideal performance according to simulation
- Calculation of optimization potential in terms of energy yield and profit





AREAS OF APPLICATION

- Revenue tuning
- Health Check of the asset
- Due Diligence for asset transfer
- Calculation of Liquidated Damages
- General failure analysis and localization

Applicable to all solar PV technologies!

Fast and profitable!





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ACHIEVEMENTS







PLANT ANALYSIS & TDD

Location Germany

Installed capacity 52 MWp

COD 2010

FiT 28.43 ct€/kWh

FiT expiry 2030

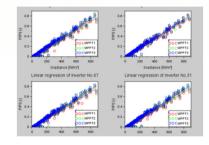
Underperformance 3.12%

Losses till FiT expiry 4.007.184 €

Estimated cure cost 25,000 €

Harvester fee incl. TDD 143,000 €







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PLANT ANALYSIS & TDD light

Location Germany

Installed capacity 3.5 MWp

COD 2008

FiT 35.49 ct€/kWh

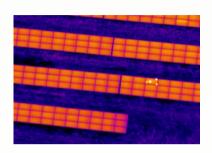
FiT expiry 2028

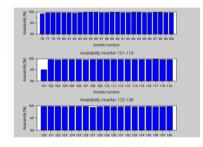
Underperformance 4.83%

Losses till FiT expiry 438,476 €

Estimated cure cost 8,450 €

Harvester fee incl. TDD light 22,250 €







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