Hybrid System Using Two Panel Parallel Solar Cells 110 WP and PLN Power Source

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Abstract—The limited availability of electricity and its continued use need to was sought for savings by providing alternative energy. New renewable energy sourced from sunlight can be an energy solution for electrical energy needs. Savings can be done using hybrid techniques from two sources to supply the load. This research makes hybrid plants utilizing sunlight using two panels of 110 wp capacity solar cells installed parallel to get a large output current. In this hybrid system used a deep cycle 12v / 100 Ah battery to supply 100-250 watts of light for three to four hours. The test results show that battery charging is very dependent on solar radiation and is needed for seven hours to reach 88% capacity and the inverter supplies a load of 213.5 watts on average for 45 minutes requiring 20% of battery capacity.

Index Terms—Hybrid, inverters, electricity, solar cells.

1. PRELIMINARY

Energy produced from sunlight has become an alternative source of electrical power and can even be the primary energy source for electricity needs. Solar radiation that hits the surface of photovoltaic (PV) solar panels turns into electricity.

The technology of photovoltaic solar cells, as shown in Figure 1, consists of two positively and negatively charged semiconductor layers. When the sun illuminates the semiconductor, there will be an electron displacement, and the electric current will produce a DC [1], [2].

Fig.1. The working principle of photovoltaic

Electrical energy generated from sunlight can be fully used to supply loads according to the capacity of solar cell panels, inverters, and batteries used in solar power generation systems. In specific needs, a hybrid technique is needed to supply loads from two different electrical energy sources. Hybrid systems combine two sources of electrical energy using a one-way source (generator) method to provide the load. This system regulates one of the two sources working to supply the load. When the solar cell supplies to the load, the PLN power source will automatically be cut off. When the inverter is no longer able to provide electricity, the controller automatically transfers it to the PLN power source. [3], [4]. Hybrid systems are intended to deal with the problem of electricity supply deficits from one source to another so that the electricity supply is maintained [5].

2. DEVELOPMENT OF HYBRID SYSTEMS

Hybrid systems are made to meet the energy supply to loads, especially parking lighting, which is turned on at night for three to four hours. During the day there is no load to be supplied, and entirely the electrical energy produced by sunlight through PV will be controlled by the Battery Charger Regulator to charge the battery. Switching controller will detect if the battery charging process is in progress and at the same time the load is activated; then the load supply is carried out by an electric source. When charging the battery reaches the range of 90%, the inverter that converts dc voltage from the battery to 220 volts AC will be activated to supply the load, and the controller will stop the electricity supply.

The construction of a hybrid system is used as an energy source to supply light loads in the parking area. Figure 2 shows the design of hybrid energy. From the calculation of solar cells and batteries used [6], two solar units with a parallel capacity of 110 Wp are needed, a 12V / 100 Ah deep cycle battery, a Mesonic MF1500 model inverter.

The specifications of the solar cell panel in the design made are:

Peak power: 110 watts

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Open circuit voltage: 21.9 volts 
Short circuit current: 6.40 amperes 
Peak voltage: 18.5 volts 
Peak current: 5.95 amperes 
Test condition, the intensity of the sun is 1000 W / m² 
Temperature: 25°C

PV modules are the results of tests by manufacturers on standard test conditions with solar radiation of 1000 W / m² and at cell temperature 25°C, and these results can change under different climatic operating conditions [7].

3. RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

The hybrid system installation uses 6 mm NYAF type wiring to connect two units of hybrid solar cell panels. Two solar cell panels are connected in parallel using a pair of MC4 connector two branches and a pair of MC4 connector one branch. To connect to the load and power source from a hybrid device used NYM 3x2.5 cable.

3.1. Installing a hybrid system

Hybrid system installations include solar cell panel installation, installation of solar cell panels and batteries to hybrid devices and installation of hybrid devices to loads and electricity sources. Figure 3 shows the installation of parallel solar cell panels to produce large currents according to the 100 Ah battery requirement.

Figure 4 shows the installation of solar cell panels and batteries to hybrid devices. The solar cell panel is connected to the input of a hybrid device with polarity (+) and (-) according to the panel connector using NYAF cable. Battery 12 volt / 100 Ah battery terminal connected to the (+) and (-) in the hybrid device.

At the end of the installation is carried out from the hybrid device to the load and from the power source as shown in figure 5.
3.2. Results

Testing of hybrid systems includes testing solar cell panel output, testing battery charging and testing the load supply by inverter output.

3.2.1. Testing the voltage and current of solar cell output

To measure the current and output voltage of a solar cell requires three measuring devices, namely two measuring devices in the form of a voltage gauge and a measuring instrument to measure electric current. Three measuring devices use two-volt meters of digital and one-ampere meter digital. The flow produced by solar panels is quite high, not less than 8 amperes, it requires an ampere meter with an ampere meter measurement range of up to 15 A DC. The measuring instrument used is the type CD772 as a current measuring device on solar panels and two voltmeter types CD800a for measuring solar panel voltage and battery voltage. Figure 6 shows the voltage measurements generated from solar cells and batteries.

![Fig.6. Measurement of the solar cell and battery voltage](image1)

Table 1

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Figure 7 shows the process of charging the battery from a solar cell. It appears on the indicator that during the battery charging process, PLN electricity fully supplies the load, so the input AC indicator lights up. This test is carried out during the day, and the lights are turned on.

The test results as in Table 1 show that battery charging reaches 88% for seven hours. Battery charging time depends entirely on solar radiation on solar cells. In this test, after seven hours the charging current generated from the cell solar continued to shrink so that the battery charging became sluggish and stopped at around 88%.

![Fig.7. Battery charging indicator from solar cells](image2)

![Fig.8. Charging batteries from solar cells](image3)
Figure 8 shows that solar cells charge the battery, and charging continues to increase with changes in current and voltage. Charging the battery becomes weaker along with the reduced flow generated from solar cells, this is due to the feeble beam of sunlight that falls on the surface of the solar cell. Charging continues to weaken until the current generated in the range of below 1.2 amperes with an indicator of 88% and then tiny once approach does not have a significant effect.

3.2.2. The inverter test supplies the load

The inverter will convert the dc source from the battery to the output of a 220-volt ac voltage that is used to supply a load (lighting) with 220-volt ac voltage. When the inverter works, the switching controller will disconnect the power source. Thus all the energy used to supply the load is all charged or provided by the inverter output (ac output). Figure 9 shows the load testing simulation board.

![Load testing simulation board](image)

Table 2 represents the measurement results of inverter output when supplying the load as shown in table 2. In this test, the hybrid device connects the output of the solar cell and, the input power source and the total lamp power is 213.5 watts. The output of the inverter supplies lights for three hours with a decrease in the average battery capacity of 12-15% every thirty minutes or about 4% every ten minutes of use of the supply to the load. When the inverter works, the switching controller disconnects the power source so that the inverter is in charge of supplying all the lights. In the range of 22% of the battery capacity, the switching controller moves (disconnects) the supply flow from the inverter to the electricity source 220 from the PLN.

![Graph of load testing](image)

Tests for battery charging without load during 7.5 hours of irradiation obtained by the range of 60% in conditions of solar radiation received by solar cell panels vary (sometimes cloudy and sunny) as shown in figure 12. When solar radiation is high which is characterized by high surface temperatures then the current and the voltage generated from solar cell panels is very large, on the contrary, if solar radiation is relatively low, then the power produced by solar cell panels is also small. As long as the current supplied to the battery is large the charging is very fast as indicated by the percentage of battery charging, otherwise charging becomes slow.

Electrical energy produced by solar cell panels is stored in the battery and converted to 220 volt AC power using an inverter device. The duration of the inverter supplying the load depends on the load power. In testing the 245 watts power lamp as in figure 13, the inverter can provide for 45 minutes for a battery capacity of 20%, while to supply a load of 101.5 watts it can supply for 52 minutes with a battery capacity of 16% as shown in Figure 14.
At a load of 245 watts, the average battery usage is to supply capacity of 1% every 2 minutes. If the average battery capacity of charge is 80% optimal, it can ready for use 160 minutes or 1.5 hours. Whereas at a load of 101.5 watts the inverter supplies a capacity of about three minutes more every 1%. So that for an optimal battery of 80% it will be able to support for no less than 4 hours. Thus this design can be implemented in the parking area lighting requirements that use lamp loads for 100 watts up to 250 watts with a duration of time that can be supplied by an inverter 1.5 hours to 4 hours.

4. CONCLUSION

The results of testing and analysis can be summarized as follows:
1. Hybrid systems can work to supply lighting models for parking areas.
2. Solar radiation significantly affects the capacity of battery charging by solar cell panels.
3. Charging a 12 volt / 100 Ah battery takes seven hours for a maximum charge of 88%.
4. Parking area lighting that uses a lamp load of 100 watts to 250 watts can be supplied by the inverter 1.5 hours to 4 hours.

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