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Hybrid Solar Wind-Powered Luo DC-DC Converter with Adaptive Control for Enhanced Efficiency and Reliability

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Abstract

This paper aims at discussing the concept, design and setup of a renewable hybrid energy system incorporating Luo converters for photovoltaic (PV) charging system with solar & wind power sources. By engaging an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) for controlling and operating the system most effectively, the power flow control system smartly controls energy conversion and storage fortifying the effectiveness and dependability of renewable energy production. The Luo converter becomes the decisive part, and it could boost or buffer the frequencies of the DC voltage produced from the solar panels and wind turbines to fit the batteries and electronics. Also, the efficiency of the converter is high reducing energy losses, ensuring proper charging and powering operations under different input voltage ranges characteristic of renewable sources. System employs a charge controller which manages the charging currents, commonly used to control the rate of energy charge. Lastly, this hybrid renewable energy system improves both uses of solar and wind power and provides a stable power supply to the grid, making it contribute positively towards the integration of sustainable energy supply. This converter was designed to maximize efficiency with minimal ripples. These objectives would be achieved using an LCL filter. Here, the typical Luo converter circuit arrangement includes two inductors, two capacitors, and two switches. The input voltage is first selected by an inductor and the output current from the second inductor. The two capacitors along with the switches are in combination with the two inductors, thus forming an LCL filter. Now when the first switch is ON, it allows the input voltage feeding into the first inductor. As the result, the current flow increases. After the first switch is OFF and the second switch is ON, then the current passes through the LCL filter; thus, the output capacitor gets charged. Then the energy built up in the succeeding inductor gets transferred to the output capacitor. It raises the output voltage. In Luo converter, its functionality depends on the duty cycle of the switches. The duty cycle may be altered either in an increase or decrease, depending on which will be required for the output voltage in relation to the input voltage. Through the application of LCL filters, the Luo converter achieves higher efficiency and fewer ripple effects regardless of their working in high frequencies of switching. Luo converters are often implemented in applications in power electronics where efficiency needs to be kept high, like electric vehicles, renewable systems, and data centers. The first peak wave in solar structure installation took place during the 1980s and 1990s. Alongside growing environmental concern, government policies encouraged the use of solar power by offering some incentives for production. Many of the countries which led in that area were those like Japan or Germany, introducing feed-in tariffs and even subsiding the installation of solar panels, which proves to be quite cost-effective to individuals and firms. In this era, efficiencies for solar cells increased and installation prices dropped to a surprisingly small amount. The millennium turn was the decisive point of time for the industry of solar energy. After this point of time, the worldwide market was soaring at a rate which, up to the moment, was unknown at least in Europe and North America. Next to that technological progress followed step by step along with improvements of efficiency of thin-film solar cells and CSP amongst others. These technologies brought efficiency improvements besides bringing the total cost of solar energy systems to their lowest levels. The cost of solar panels had decreased by more than 80% in the 2010s, and the cost of solar energy had become one of the cheapest ways to produce electricity.

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1. Introduction

This converter was constructed for a high level of efficiency, coupled with minimal ripples. These aims would be met through the use of an LCL filter. In this case, the normal Luo converter circuit composition contains two inductors, two capacitors, and two switches. The input voltage is selected by an inductor and the second inductor produces the output current. The two capacitors along with the switches are arranged in combination with the two inductors to form an LCL filter. Now when the first switch is ON, the input voltage feeds to the first inductor; this results in increasing the current flow. Subsequently, after the first switch is OFF and the second switch is ON, then the current passes through the LCL filter; in this way, the output capacitor gets charged. The energy built up in the subsequent inductor then gets transferred to the output capacitor, raising the output voltage. In the Luo converter, its functionality depends on the duty cycle of the switches. The duty cycle can be changed, thereby either increasing or decreasing the output voltage compared to the input voltage. Because of the implementation of LCL filters, the Luo converter is able to gain high efficiency and low-ripple effects even when they are in high switching frequencies. Therefore, Luo converters are often implemented in applications in power electronics where efficiency needs to be kept high, like electric vehicles, renewable systems, and data centers.

2. Literature Survey

2.1. Electronic Circuit Design

This has actually applied an extended method in electronic circuit designing to improve circuit performance. Established widely by voltage lift, parasitic elements limit both output voltages and efficiency of transferring in DC- DC converters but the voltage lift technique really tackles these issues. It has been implemented successfully after long years of research in DC-DC converter designs [1][2]. This innovation has led to a modern class of step-up (boost) DC- DC converters known as Luo-converters. These converters are based on the voltage lift technique and allow the positive-to-positive DC voltage to be enhanced. They feature high power density, excellent efficiency, and a simple cost-effective structure. With the possibility of generating high output voltages with minimal ripple, Luo-converters are very appropriate for computer peripherals and industrial systems, especially those applications that require high voltage outputs [3][4].

2.2. Super-Lift Converter

The voltage lift technique is one of the most commonly used techniques for modern electronic circuit design with the arithmetic progression of voltages that increase step by step. However, when a super-lift converter is applied, the rise in the output voltage in the power system occurs with a geometric progression, therefore, providing an improvement of the transfer gain. This paper proposes the development of a PI control system that ensures excellent static and dynamic performance [5]. MATLAB software is used to simulate the dynamic behavior and closed-loop performance of the converters with a resistive load under supply and load disturbances. In addition, a DAC card is used to implement the hardware of the positive output elementary super-lift Luo converter and its PI control [6][7][8]. Simulation and experimental results are presented closely, and thus demonstrate the feasibility and effectiveness of the proposed control scheme [9].

2.3. High-Gain DC-DC Converter

It is one of the high-gain DC-DC converters modified positive output Luo. The circuit is based on a positive output Luo converter. The modified positive output Luo converter with a single switch re-lift configuration has a voltage gain two times of that obtained with a boost converter. The relevant expressions for the converter, namely, the steady state analysis of the re-lift configuration of the modified positive output Luo converter operating in the continuous conduction mode are derived and presented here in this paper [10]. A suggestion of implementing this converter as one stage in a single-

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phase, transformer-less grid-integrated solar PV system is brought forward, and some results for the sake of support during theoretical analysis are also provided [11][12].

3. Existing System

A noteworthy fact that, the most of renewable energy systems relies on individual solar or wind power technologies. The PV on the other hand works by converting the solar radiation into electricity while the kinetic energy from the wind turns the wind into electricity by use of turbines. Nevertheless, it has severe limitations since its production depends on its exposure to sunlight and thus vary as and when it is invoked since during the cloudy and at night periods, the production is incredibly low. Likewise, areas generate production from wind energy and can experience fluctuations between periods of operation and non-operation due to the presence or absence of weather and particular wind types. Further, many existent systems do not incorporate efficient energy management and optimally capable storage systems; this leads to wasting energy during peak production phases and the unavailable energy during high demand phases. As such, the lack of capacity to harness such renewable energy sources poses a major constraint to their utilization since the former will not serve as a stable and reliable source of power.

4. Proposed System

Although the current renewable energy system has some drawbacks, this solar and wind integration in the hybrid renewable energy system might integrate both solar and wind in a good energy-generating solution. The Luo converter in this system is what supports ideal voltage conversion so as to ensure full energy management from both the panels and the turbines in the converting of energy. In addition to the losses at this stage of voltage step-up or step-down, the Luo converter provides for a further boost to energy efficiency. The ANNs used here ensure an intelligent control mechanism that analyzes 19 real-time data of energy production and consumption. With this, it is feasible to dynamically adjust the operation of the system so as to optimize the distribution and storage of energy. The hybrid system here proposed can overcome the issues of intermittent sources of energy and is scalable and adaptable for a wide range of applications from small residential settings to larger commercial operations. Figure 1 shows Block Diagram of Battery Working System in Luo Convertor to Load [13][14][15].

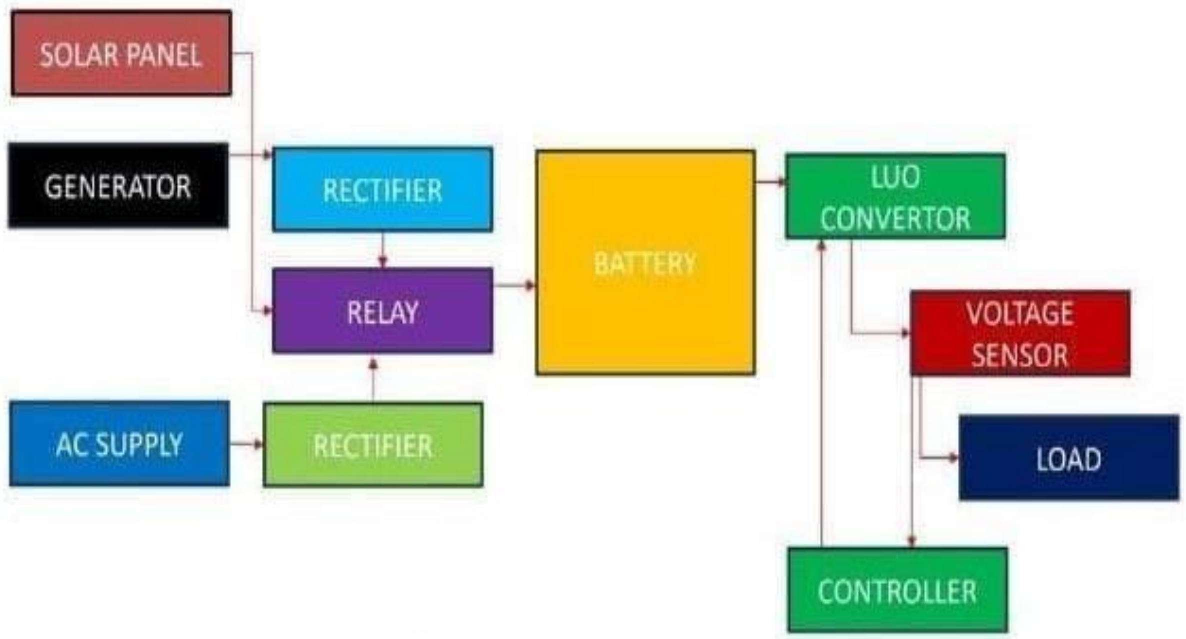

Figure 1 Block Diagram of Battery Working System in Luo Convertor to Load

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5. Wind Power and Solar Energy

5.1. Wind Energy Is Major Source

Wind energy is one of the major categories of renewable energy, converting kinetic energy in the wind into electrical power. It is done through wind turbines, which have long blades mounted on tall towers to maximize the catching of wind. The spinning of the blades activates a generator that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy. There are mainly two types of turbines in the market. HAWT is the dominating type, with better efficiency, whereas VAWT are used mainly as per specific purposes, that is, mostly in an urban scenario.

5.2. Wind Energy Benefits

The benefits of wind energy are many. It is a renewable and almost infinite resource, dependent on solar- induced atmospheric processes. The operation of wind turbines generate virtually no greenhouse gas emissions, thus making it a clean and environmentally friendly source of energy[16][17].

5.3. Nature of Wind

The variable nature of wind can result in inconsistencies in electricity production, thereby highlighting the need for improvements in energy storage technologies and the integration of wind power with alternative energy systems. Spatial limitations further restrict access to ideal wind conditions, frequently necessitating the deployment of turbines in isolated or offshore locations, which escalates logistical challenges. Moreover, the establishment of wind farms can present ecological threats to avian and chiropteran populations, requiring meticulous site assessment and biodiversity conservation strategies to alleviate adverse environmental effects.

5.4. Solar Energy Tapped

There are two major ways in which solar energy is tapped. There include photovoltaic or PV systems and solar thermal systems. Photovoltaic systems are those that work with the help of the photovoltaic effect which is utilized by solar panels, generally made from semiconductors such as silicon, to directly convert sunlight into electricity.

5.5. Current Electrical Grid

The electricity produced can be utilized immediately, accumulated in a battery, or integrated into the current electrical grid. Conversely, solar thermal systems transform solar energy into thermal energy to elevate the temperature of a working fluid, which subsequently generates steam to drive turbines for electricity production or is employed in direct heating applications.

5.6. Solar Energy Is Available

Solar energy is both abundant and renewable, and access is available in many parts of the world. The operation of solar power systems has a minimal impact on the environment because they do not emit greenhouse gases. This factor greatly contributes to the relief of climate change. Furthermore, the use of solar energy enhances energy security through the reduction of reliance on imported fossil fuels, thus promoting energy independence for countries and communities.

5.7. Widespread of Solar Energy

Nonetheless, the widespread implementation of solar energy presents several challenges. The generation of solar power is intrinsically variable, as it relies on sunlight, which fluctuates due to meteorological factors and daily cycles. Consequently, effective strategies for energy storage and integration into the grid are crucial for harnessing this power source. Furthermore, extensive solar installations necessitate considerable land use, which may pose difficulties in regions that are either densely populated or ecologically vulnerable.

6. Development of Wind Energy

6.1. Radical Developments for Wind Energy

For all these years from very simple kinds to the more developed kinds today, and onto the advanced turbines, are being radical developments for wind energy. Wind energy started back with the ancient civilizations. People started to use windmills even back then but for the mechanical purposes only like in grinding the grains, and pumping the water mainly.[18][19][20]

6.2. Significant Means of Power Generation

Those early applications would form the foundation for what would one day become a significant means of power generation through renewable means. A true history of the modern era was however still far off. In

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fact, modern application only comes back to those final advancements of the kind made with wind turbines at the close of the 19th century. Still, it wasn't until finally really after the energy crunches in the 1970's when this modern resurgence finally was fully in sight. Steeply rising, oil price and growing realization that fossil fuels are finite spurred governments around the world to seek alternatives. This period also saw large-scale investments into the development of wind energy and brought improvements in the design of turbines and efficiency.

6.3. Primarily in United States and Denmark

It began to put up the first modern wind farms in the 1980s, primarily in the United States and Denmark. The demonstration proved that wind energy could be a commercially viable source of energy. More progress took place in the 1990s when there were greater diameters of rotors as well as new materials encouraging better capture of energy with efficiency in the wind energy industry. The trend towards larger, more efficient turbines allowed wind farms to generate more electricity and make the competition of wind energy with traditional sources of energy stronger. The early 2000s proved to be the inflection point for the wind energy industry.[21][22]

7. Development of Solar Energy

7.1. Tremendous Improvement

The development of solar energy has gone through a tremendous improvement that has made the specific technology become the world's most recognized renewable energy source for providing crucial input to meet the world's energy demand while trying to prevent global warming. The use of solar energy is traced back to 7th century B.C. when humans first exploited the sun to kindle fire. The modern solar power project was started in the 19th century, and it began with the French physicist Edmond Becquerel's invention of the photovoltaic cell in 1839. Even though this first solar cell could only convert a small portion of the sunlight falling on it into electrical energy with low efficiency, it formed the foundation for further development. It was during the 1950 decade that researchers at Bell Laboratories designed the first practical silicon solar cell with an efficiency of about 6%. This marked the beginning of solar technology commercialization, more or less applied to space and powering satellites. During the 1970 oil crisis, governments and researchers suddenly became interested in solar energy as it found its potential as a new renewable source of energy. More investment helped augment further funding on solar research. This, in turn led to the advancement of different technologies and reduced the cost.

7.2. Increasing Environmental Awareness

The first major wave in the installation of solar structures was during the 1980s and 1990s. Together with increasing environmental awareness, incentives by governments promoted the production of solar energy. Many countries, such as Japan and Germany, led in providing feed-in tariffs and even subsidies to encourage the usage of solar energy, which can be more financially viable for people and businesses. In this era, efficiencies for solar cells increased, and installation prices reduced to a remarkably small amount. The millennium turnover marked a crucial point in time for the solar energy industry. Since then, the global market had surged at a pace which is unprecedented, at least in Europe and North America. Further technological development went hand in hand with enhanced efficiency in thin-film solar cells and CSP amongst others. These technologies brought efficiency improvements besides bringing the total cost of solar energy systems to their lowest levels. The cost of solar panels had decreased by more than 80% in the 2010s, and the cost of solar energy had become one of the cheapest ways to produce electricity.

8. Operations and Modelling

8.1. Protect Equipment and Monitor

In industrial purposes, they protect equipment and monitor faults as voltage sensors continuously show the status of voltage levels, which it identifies abnormal cases such as undervoltage or overvoltage conditions by causing alarms to prevent possible equipment damage through protective actions. This ability is critical to ensuring reliability in manufacturing and downtime minimization. Renewable energy sources, like solar panels and wind turbines, will require voltage sensors that would enhance their performance by giving them necessary and accurate voltage readings so as to keep the system within its safe operating range.

8.2. Safe Electrical Operation

This way, the monitoring will make the output maximized and, therefore, make the equipment longer-lived. The need for smart grids and energy management systems has increased the application of voltage sensors in providing efficient, reliable, and safe electrical operation. They are increasingly becoming indispensable for modern electrical engineering.

8.3. Voltage Sensor

This is a critical sensor component that measures and monitors levels of electrical voltage in various applications and ensures safety, efficiency, and performance in electrical systems. From consumer electronics to industrial machinery to renewable energy systems, there will be sensors that provide real-time data concerning the conditions of voltage. In residential appliances, it is integrated as part of smart home to monitor consumption of energy and optimize how appliances can be used to attain energy efficiency.

8.4. Application of Voltage Sensors

The need for smart grids and energy management systems means that the application of voltage sensors in providing efficient, reliable, and safe electrical operation is on the rise. They are becoming increasingly indispensable for modern electrical engineering.

8.5. Batteries Are the Essential Energy Storage Systems

More specifically, batteries are the essential energy storage systems of great significance in various applications including renewable energy power generation. In the consumer electronics field, batteries enable the functionality of mobile phones, laptops, tablets and the like through provision of mobility. In this industry, thereby supporting environmentally friendly transportation through the use of electric vehicles (EV), such rechargeable lithium- ion batteries are central to the modern automobile. In renewable energy source applications, batteries are used for storing energy beyond that generated through for example photovoltaic cells or wind power and energy can be easily utilized when it is low or high in production.

8.6. Artificial Neural Network (ANN)

Output voltage is getting as feedback tallied with reference value then getting error value is entered ANN produce a Corrected value with help of error training. Enhancing this capability increases the reliability of variable renewable energy systems and ensures grid stability. Moreover, batteries are increasingly employed in grid storage both for scheduling and balancing, as well as for integrating fluctuating sources of electrical power into the grid. Opportunities for further evolution of the subsequent generations of batteries, such as solid-state and flow batteries, that demonstrate higher energy density and safety and service life also outline new subtitle possibilities of their application in diversified areas. Still, batteries are helpful in getting better energy effectiveness and, as a result, the transition to the cleaner energy system. Figure 2 shows Solar Panel and Wind Turbine , Figure 3 shows PCB Board and Figure 4 shows Full Luo Convertor Project.

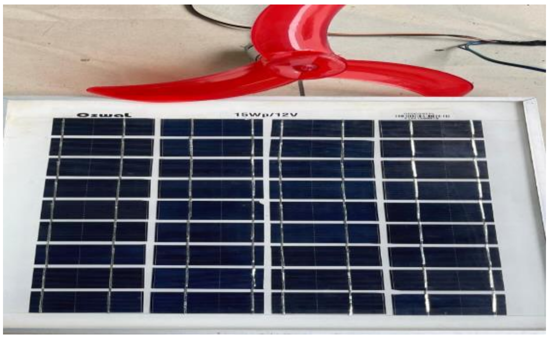

Figure 2 Solar Panel and Wind Turbine

Figure 3 PCB Board

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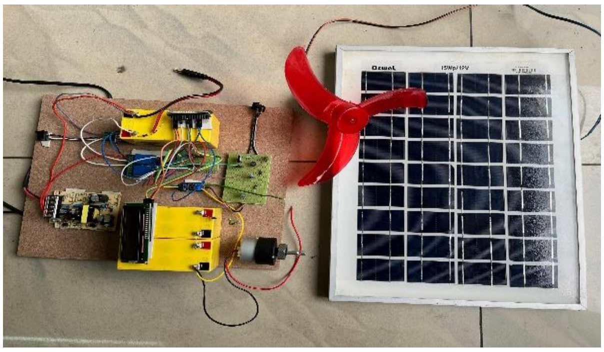

Figure 4 Full Luo Convertor Project

9. Result and Discussion

The hybrid solar-wind system consistently provided a stable input to the Luo Boost DC-DC converter by combining solar panels and a wind turbine. This integration significantly improved the availability and reliability of power by compensating for the variability of each individual source. Solar Panel, Power output ranged between 150W to 200W during peak sunlight conditions, with efficiency variations due to shading and irradiance[23][24].

Conclusion and Future Scope

It utilizes the Luo converter topology with a photovoltaic (PV) technology-based converter which takes in a source of PV panels. Its popularity for an exceptional efficiency is gained from it along with an ability to deal with high magnitudes of voltage, as well as it has a reduction in the stress of voltage over the switches. For operation like LED lighting, battery charging, and motor function, the PV- based Luo boost converter is very favorite to many. Such an output voltage that is so big compared with the applied one makes it useful in different applications.

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