

AFFORDABLE AND Clean Energy FASHION

## **REMOTE APPLICATIONS**

- Motivation
- PV economics
- Rural electrification
- Water pumping
- Health care systems
- Other remote applications





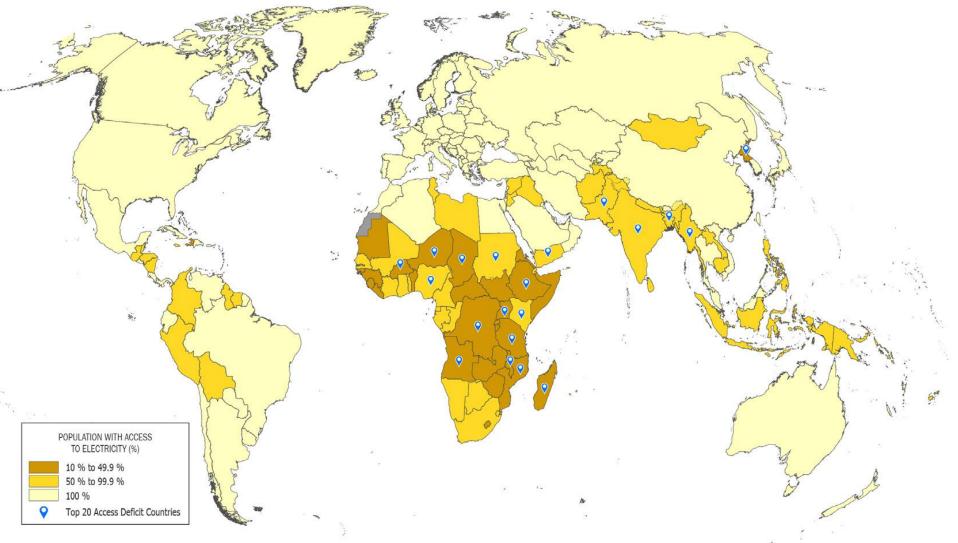






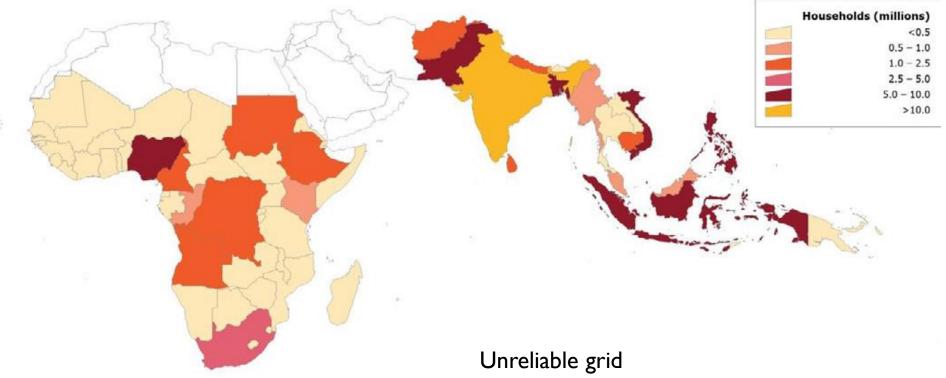


### Access to electricity





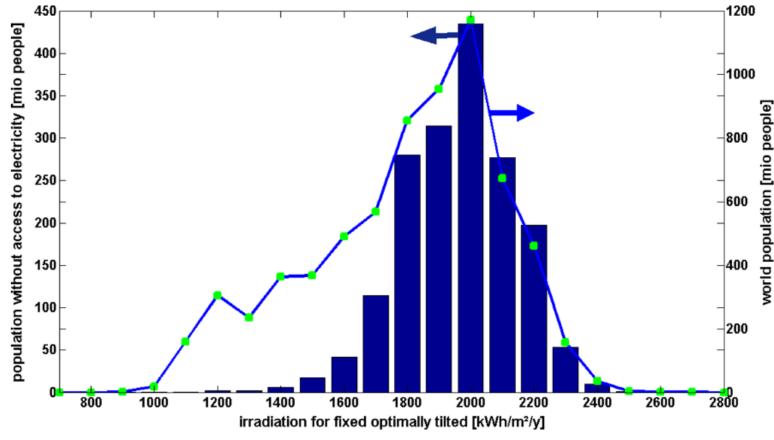
### Access to electricity





### Access to solar electricity

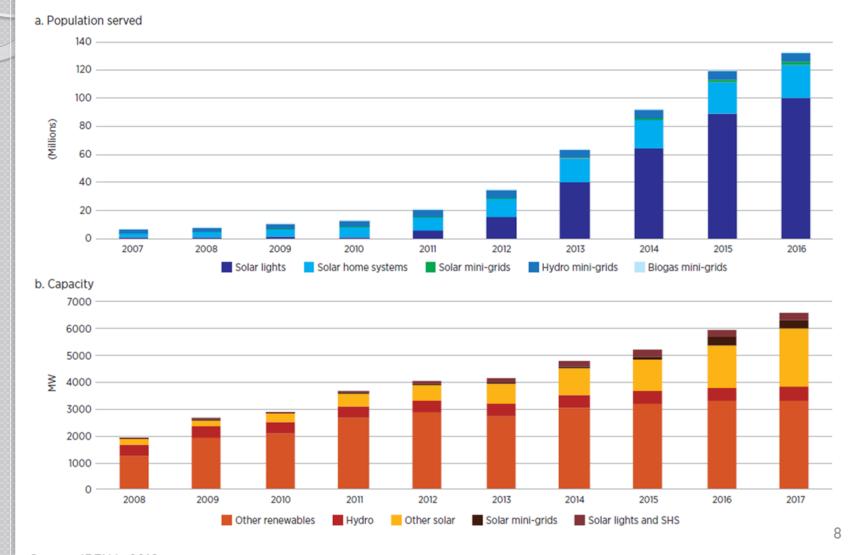
Population without access to electricity and local irradiation



Christian Breyer and Alexander Gerlach, Global overview on grid-parity, Prog. Photovolt: Res. Appl. (2012) DOI: 10.1002/pip.1254

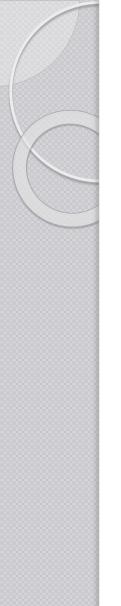


#### Figure 3: Population served by, and capacity of, off-grid renewable energy solutions

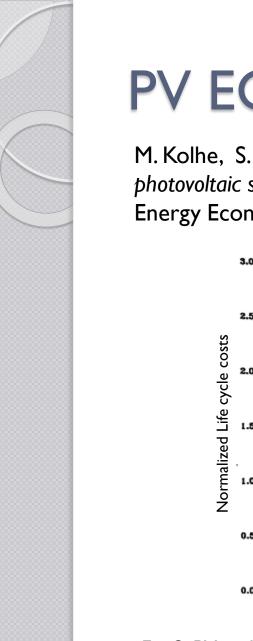


- High capital cost
- No fuel cost
- Low maintenance cost
- High reliability (= low replacement cost)
- System output depends on location

- Life cycle cost: sum of all costs over lifetime, at today's money
- Payback time: time it takes for total cost to be paid for by system benefits/revenues
- Rate of return: magnitude of benefits expressed as a percentage on initial investment



- **Period of analysis:** lifetime of longest lived system under comparison
- Excess inflation (i): rate of price increase above (or below) general inflation
- **Discount rate (d):** rate (relative to inflation) at which money would increase in value if invested
- **Capital cost:** total initial cost
- **Operation and maintenance:** amount spend yearly in keeping system operational
- Fuel costs: annual fuel bill
- **Replacements costs:** cost of replacing each component at the end of its lifetime.



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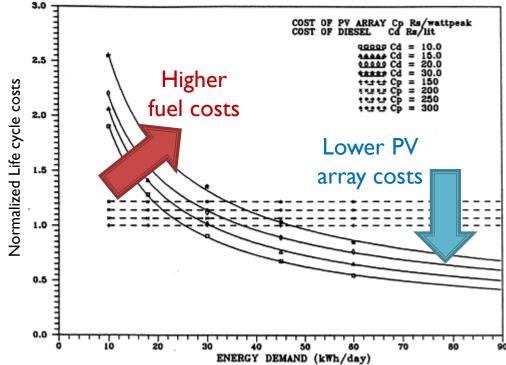


Fig. 3: PV and diesel system life-cycle cost comparisons for different PV array and diesel cost as a function of energy demand.



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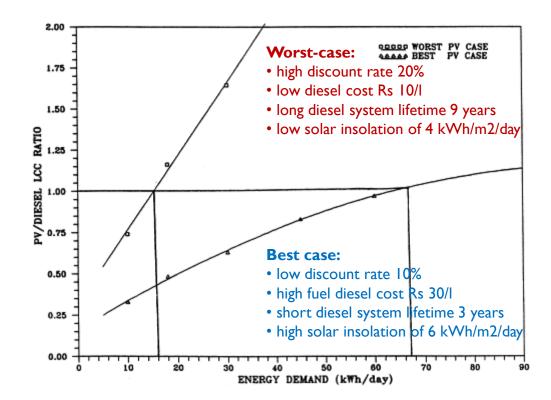


Fig. 4: Sensitivity to PV and diesel system life-cycle costs to the best and worst PV conditions as a function of energy demand.

- Lighting and power supply for remote buildings (mosques, farms, schools, mountain huts, etc.)
- Remote villages
- Battery charging stations
- Portable power for nomads

#### Table 1

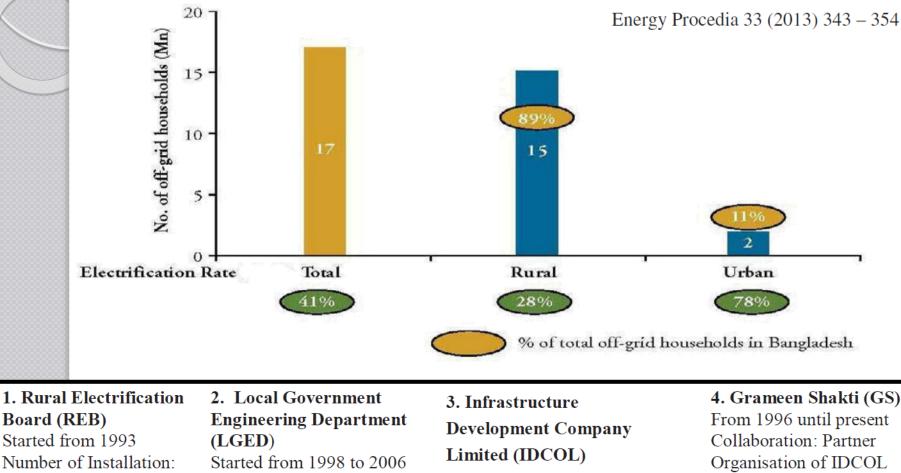
Expenses related to charging MP in developed and developing areas.

Parameter	Canada	Sub-Saharan Africa
Cost of energy (US\$/Wh)	0.00013	-
Charge energy (Wh)	8 Wh	8 Wh
Charges per month	30	30
Cost per charge (US\$)	0.001	0.20
Cost per month (US\$)	0.03	6.00
Phone plan per month (\$)	50.00	6.00
Charging costs as a percentage of total phone costs	0.06%	50%

Even if an MP user was to charge their phone once a month (and not daily!) they would still be paying nearly <u>seven times</u> the price for it.



And remember: there are 500,000,000 mobile phones in off grid regions around the globe



Number of Installation: Solar electricity provided to 4220 rural houses by June 2007.

Number of Installation: 4500 direct and about 50,000 indirect beneficiaries.

From 2003 until present Partner Organisation: 30 Number of Installation. A total of 1,655,832 (Aug 2012).

#### 4. Grameen Shakti (GS) From 1996 until present Organisation of IDCOL Number of Installation: 5, 18, 210.

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### Solar Home System (SHS) in rural Bangladesh: Ornamentation or fact of development?



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#### HIGHLIGHTS

• No specific proof is there to conclude that SHS has contributed to development.

- SHS's contribution to income generation and employment is not significant.
- SHS is mostly used for entertainment and to uplift the so called 'social status'.

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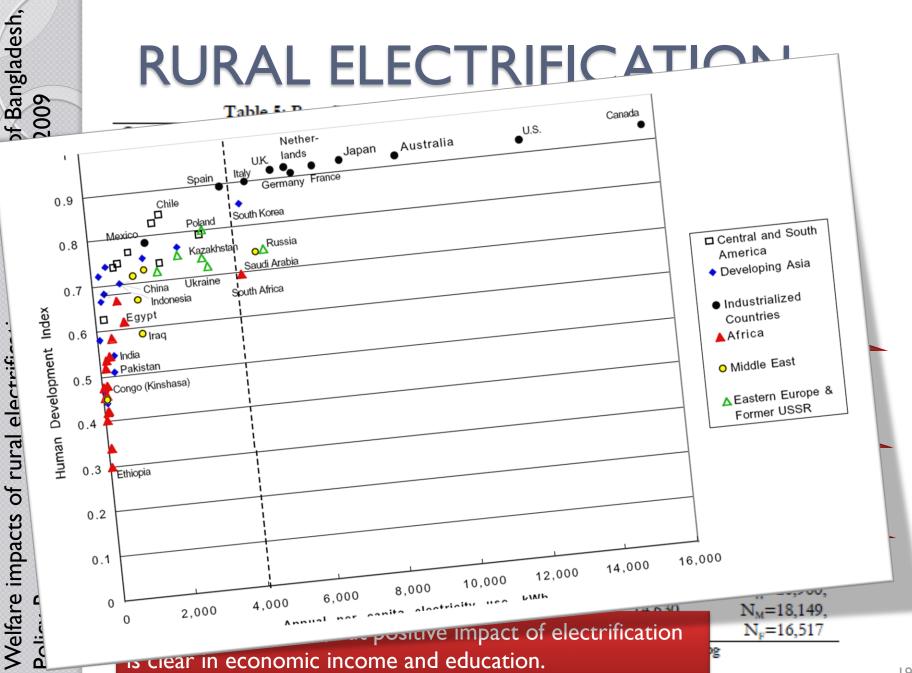
#### ABSTRACT

Energy requirement has been growing every day due to higher population growth, and consequently higher consumption. About one third of rural households of Bangladesh are connected to the grid. To meet the gap, solar energy has been treated as a feasible option for people in rural areas where grid connections are not available. A good number of organizations have been working together to provide Solar Home System (SHS) in rural Bangladesh. There is little evidence that supply of small scale energy supports significant rural development. This paper aims at understanding how increased energy access through SHS in rural Bangladesh contributes towards rural development. Recent published literatures on SHS in Bangladesh have been studied to get insight into the technical, financial, and operational as well as economic and social issues. Later the findings have been critically analyzed with respect to selected indicators of rural development. The study identified that increased access to energy through SHS in rural Bangladesh provides mostly recreational and leisure benefits with the so called 'social status'; income generation is negligible while support for education is average.

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Table 5: Benefits of household electrification (single difference)

Outcome variables	Comparison of electrified households with households			
	without electricity in			
	In villages with	In villages without	All villages	
	electricity	electricity		
Economic outcomes	_			
Yearly per capita expenditure (Tk.)	0.234	0.112	0.155	
	(35.76)	(17.99)	(26.61)	
Yearly farm income (Tk.)	1.227	-0.733	-0.037	
	(14.05)	(-9.51)	(-0.50)	
Yearly non-farm income (Tk.)	0.993	1.322	1.205	
	(15.64)	(21.18)	2450	
Yearly total income (Tk.)	0.433	0.177	245%	
	(45.44)	(18.89)	(30.92)	
Education outcomes (age 5-18)				
Boys' completed schooling years	1.134	0.725	0.867	
	(18.91)	(12.97)	131%	
Girls' completed schooling years	1.068	1.015		
	(16.72)	(17.47)	(18.99)	
Boys' study time (minutes/day)	33.4	17.7	23.1	
	(14.32)	(8.24)	11100	
Girls' study time (minutes/day)	36.2	24.6	168%	
	(15.10)	(11.17)	(14.04)	
Observations	N <sub>H</sub> =13,829,	N <sub>H</sub> =16,853,	N <sub>H</sub> =20,900,	
Observations	N11.806	N14.630	N <sub>M</sub> =18,149,	



### Different deployment strategies

- Donations
- Cash sales
- Consumer credit
- Fee-for-service

### Donations

- ✓Low initial cost for user
- ✓ Economies of scale
- ✓ Rapid deployment
- XLack of user commitment
- XNo funding for maintenance/replacements

### Cash sales

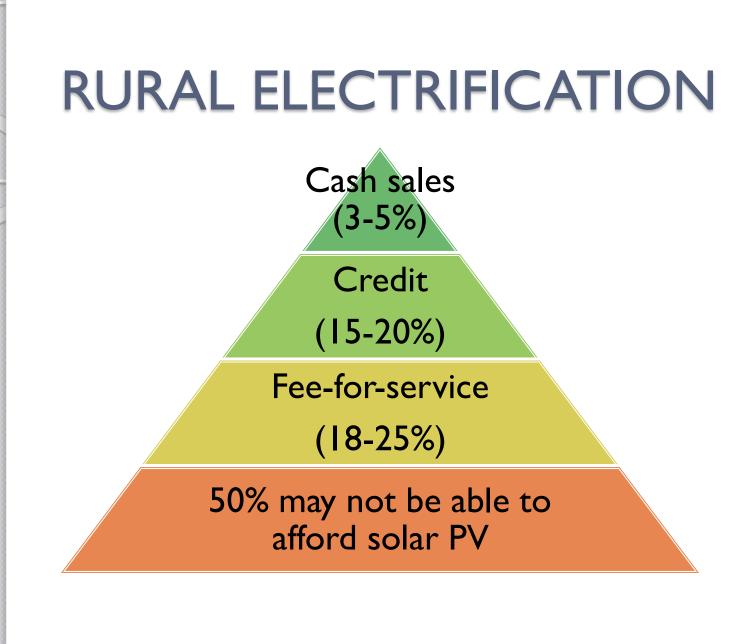
- ✓User choice
- ✓User commitment
- ✓'Modular' purchasing
- Cheap/low quality/undersized components
- ✗ High- and middle class access only

### Consumer credit

- As 'cash sales'
- Dealer extended credit or micro-credit

### • Fee-for-service

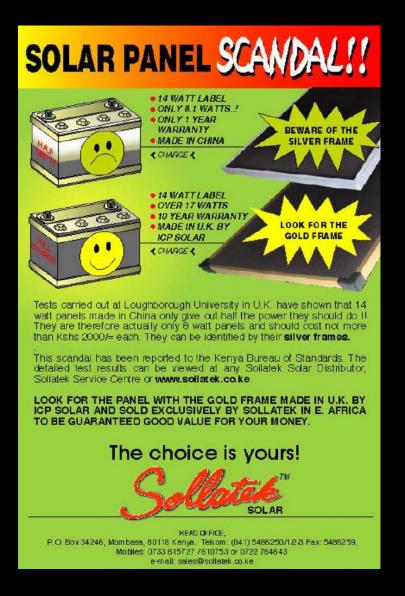
- As 'cash sales'
- Economies of scale



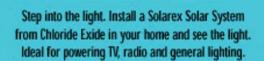








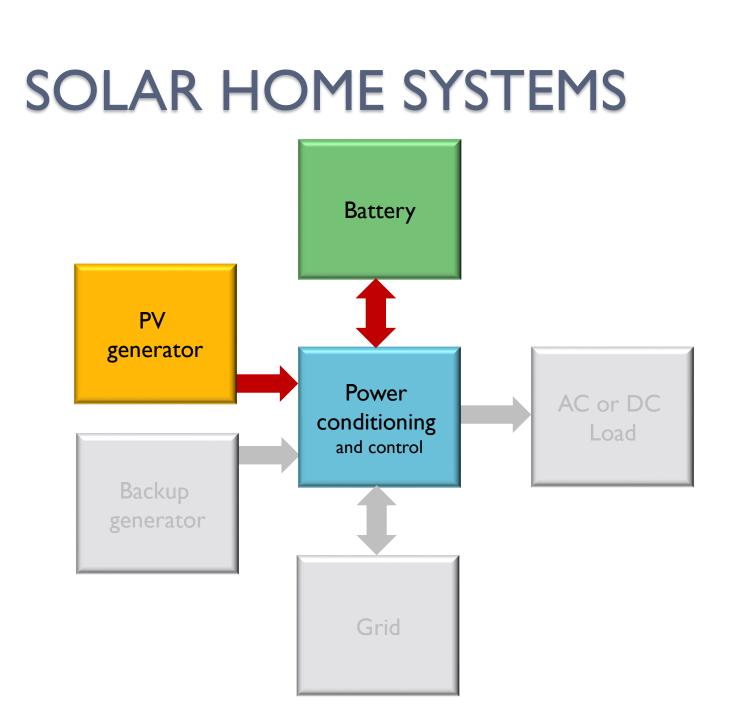
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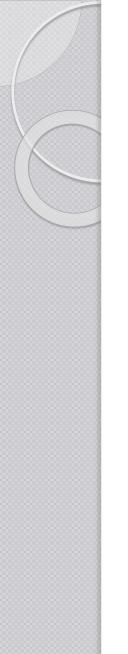


- Certified PV modules (no need for bypass diode)
- Support structures
  - at least 10 years of outdoor exposure
  - withstand winds of 120 km/h
- Tilt angle: latitude ± 10°
- Manual tracking: 2-3 positions/day, moving from East to West)
  - ✓ (Slight) performance improvement
  - $\checkmark$  Promotes user participation
  - ✗ Risk of damage
  - Kisk of energy loss due to poor or no adjustment

- Automotive batteries (SLI)
  - ✓Cheap
  - ✓Widely available
  - ✓ Locally produced
    - Economic & socially convenient
    - Recycle
  - X Short lifetime
    - use larger capacity
    - use lower electrolyte density
      - (1.24 instead of 1.28g/cl)
    - replace thin electrodes (>2mm)



- Maximum depth of discharge:
   0.3 < Depth<sub>max</sub> < 0.6</li>
- Useful capacity  $(C_U) < Nominal capacity <math>(C_B)$  $C_U = C_B \times Depth_{max}$
- C<sub>U</sub> = 3-to-5 days x daily energy consumption
   Depth of discharge in daily cycle:
   0.06 < Depth < 0.2</li>



- Depth<sub>max</sub> = 0.3-0.5
- n x Load /  $Depth_{max} < C_B$

Load = 12 Ah Dry place: n = 3 days Isc = 3.3 AC: 72 Ah < C<sub>B</sub> R: 120 Ah < C<sub>B</sub> Load = 12 Ah VVet place: n = 5 days Isc = 3.3 AC: 120 Ah < C<sub>B</sub> R: 200 Ah < C<sub>B</sub>

- NOC (number of cycles before residual capacity less than 80% CB) > 200
- Self discharge < 6%/month



- Voltage losses:
  - PV modules  $\rightarrow$  charge regulator < 3%
  - Battery  $\rightarrow$  charge regulator < 1%
  - Charge regulator  $\rightarrow$  load < 5%
- Minimum section of copper cable (12V)  $S(mm^2) = 0.3 \times length (m) \times I_M(A) / \Delta V(\%)$

- Energy performance
  - Loss of load probability (LLP)
  - Performance ratio(= useful energy / max theoretical energy) includes losses in module (temperature, mismatch), self consumption of charge regulator, battery efficiency, etc.
- Energy requirement (typical)
  - 40-50Wp
  - 120-160Wh/day

Lighting, radio, TV

(for refrigerator, fans, etc, larger systems required)



- Sizing:
  - PV generator capacity CA =  $\eta A Gd / L$
  - Storage capacity (days)
     CS = CU / L

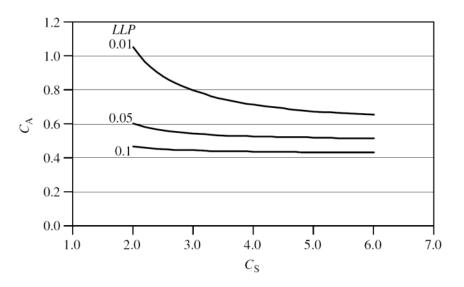
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η – efficiency
A – Area
Gd – daily irradiation
L – (load) daily consumption
CU – useful battery capacity
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- Rules of thumb
  - Energy produced during worst month can, at least, equal demand of the load (CA = I)
  - Battery useful capacity should allow 3-to-5 days of autonomy (3 < CS < 5)</li>



Proper sizing using Loss-of-load-probability method (LLP)

- R. Posadillo, R. López Luque, Approaches for developing a sizing method for stand-alone PV systems with variable demand, Renewable Energy 33:5 (2008)1037-1048
- E. Lorenzo, *Energy collected and delivered by PV modules*, in Handbook of Photovoltaic Science and Engineering, ed.A. Luque, S. Hegedus (2003)



**Figure 20.23** Reliability maps: Generator capacity  $C_A$  versus storage capacity  $C_S$  with the reliability *LLP* as parameter



- No shadows on modules, at least 8h/day, centred at noon, all year
- Pedestal mounting preferable
- If on roof: 5cm gap for air circulation
- Battery locked but accessible
- And...
  - Avoid different bolts/screws to minimise tools
  - Use fluorescent tubes available locally
  - All materials (screws, connectors, etc) in SHS kit
  - etc.

# SOLAR HOME SYSTEMS

#### **Flexibility:**

- Any component may be substituted by similar component (even from different supplier)
- Increasing system size:
  - PV modules in parallel (check wiring sizes and regulator maximum current)
  - Batteries in parallel?
    - Not more than 2 identical batteries
    - Old and new batteries OR 2 non-identical batteries may not be connected in parallel





- Pumping for drinking water
- Pumping for irrigation
- De-watering and drainage
- Ice production
- Saltwater dessalination
- Water purification
- Water circulation in fish farms



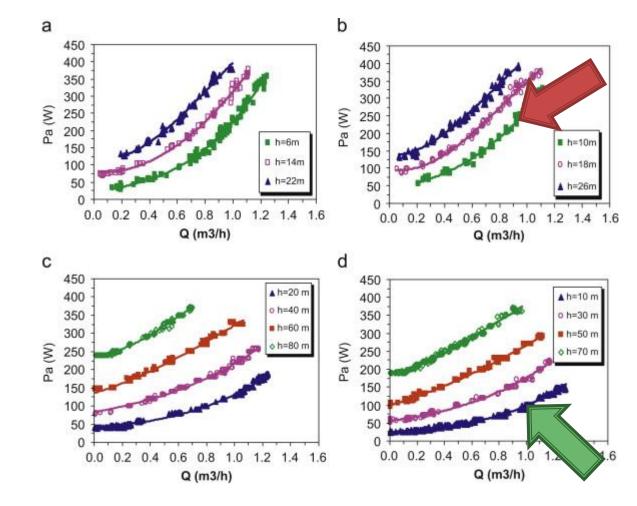
- Solar pumps
  - Hydraulic energy (kWh/day) =
    - = volume required (m<sup>3</sup>/day) x head (m) x water density x gravity
    - =  $2.725 \times 10^{-3} \times \text{volume required (m<sup>3</sup>/day)} \times \text{head (m)}$

#### Solar array required (kWp) =

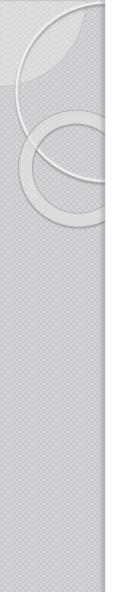
Hydraulic energy (kWh/day)

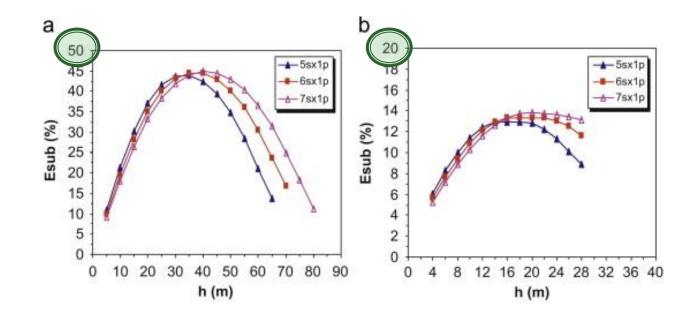
Example 25m<sup>3</sup>/day 20m head requires 800Wp at Sahel Average daily solar irradiation (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/day) x F x E

F (mismatch factor) = 0.85E (subsystem efficiency) = 0.25 - 0.4



**Fig. 3.** Electrical power versus flow rate: (a) and (b) centrifugal pump, and (c) and (d) displacement pump.





**Fig. 4.** The subsystem efficiency, the peak power of the photovoltaic array: (a) DC motor with a positive displacement pump and (b) AC motor with a centrifugal pump.



• Maximum point tracker:

DC/DC converter to track pump input I/V

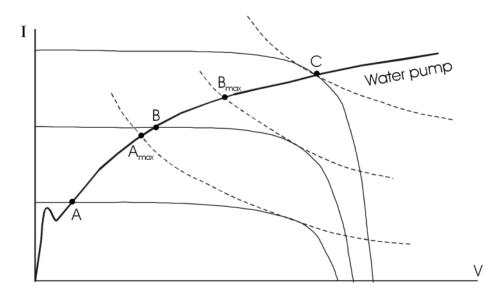


Figure 3.27 Pump and PV I-V characteristics, showing the need for use of MPT.

# HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

- Lighting in rural remote clinics
- UHF transreceivers between health centres
- Vaccine refrigeration
- Ice pack freezing for vaccine carriers
- Sterilisers
- Blood storage refrigerators

### OTHER REMOTE APPLICATIONS

- Remote communications: Radio repeaters, Remote TV & radio receivers, Mobile radios, Emergency phones
- Remote weather measuring
- Earthquake monitoring
- Road sign lighting
- Navigations buoys
- Boat power supply
- Corrosion protection systems
- Calculators

