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1 Scope

This document provides a procedure for the measurement of the efficiency of the maximum power point tracking (MPPT) of inverters used in grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) systems. Both the static and dynamic MPPT efficiency are considered. Based on the static MPPT efficiency calculated in this document and steady state conversion efficiency determined in IEC 61683 the overall efficiency can be calculated.

The dynamic MPPT efficiency is indicated separately.

NOTE This document addresses PV inverters connected to an AC grid. However, this procedure may also be used for other power conversion devices with MPPT functionality used in PV systems, such as charge controllers or optimizers.

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IEC TS 61836, *Solar photovoltaic energy systems – Terms, definitions and symbols*

EN 50160, *Voltage characteristics of electricity supplied by public distribution networks*

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3.1 Inverter input (PV generator)

3.1.1 maximum input voltage

V_{DCmax}
allowed maximum voltage at the inverter input

Note 1 to entry: Exceeding of V_{DCmax} may destroy the equipment under test.