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Comparative Analysis of MPPT Algorithms for PV Systems Under Partial Shading Conditions

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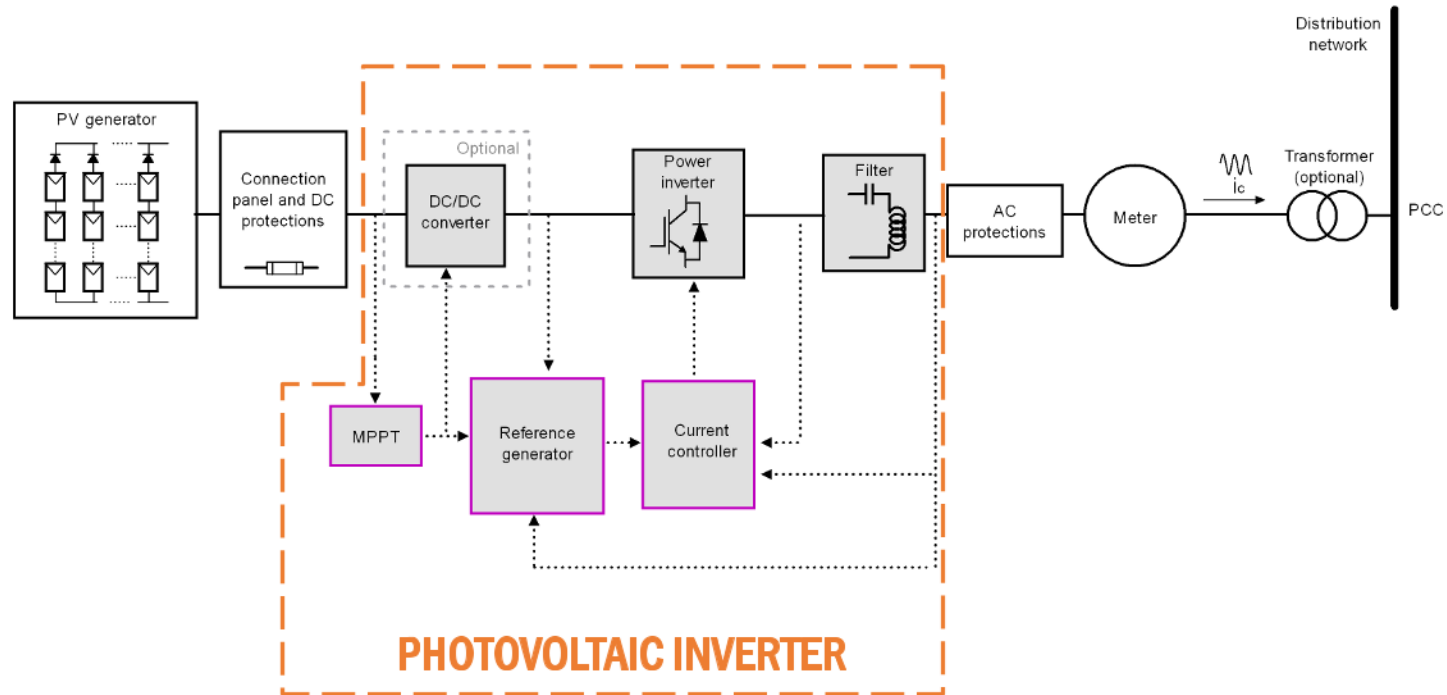


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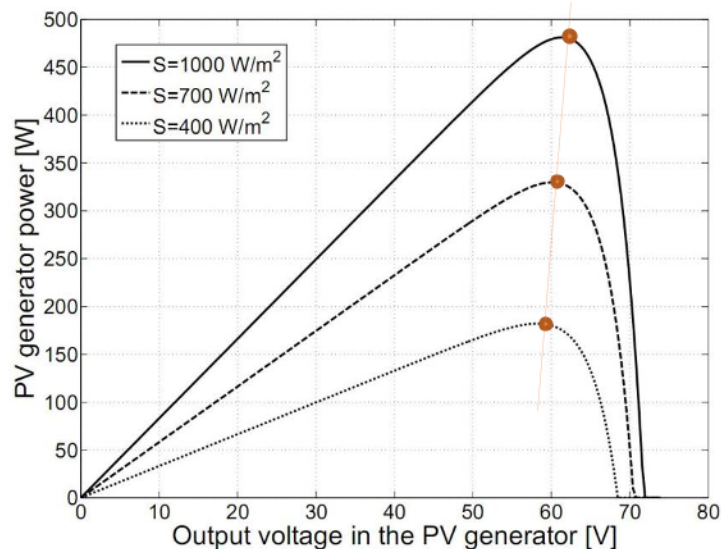
I. Introduction

General scheme of a grid-connected PV system



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Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) under uniform irradiance and temperature conditions

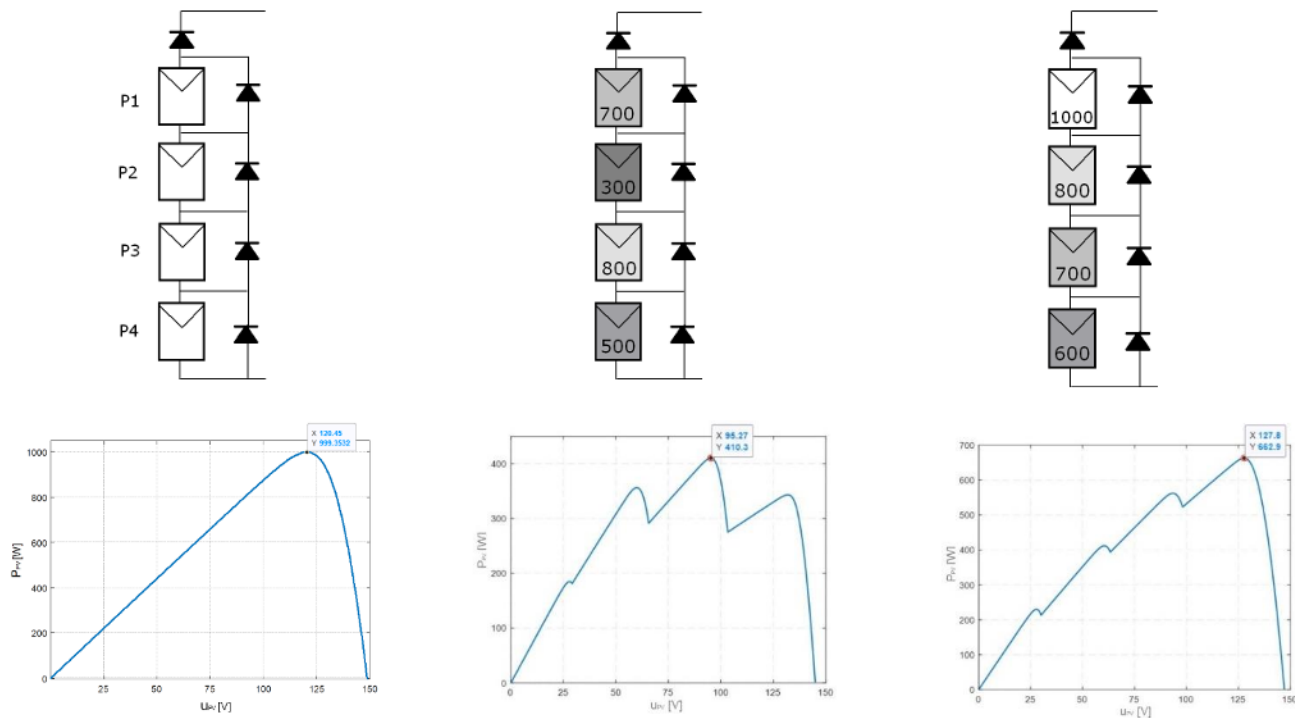


MPPT algorithms:

- Perturb and Observe (P&O) technique
- Incremental Conductance (IC) technique
- Constant Voltage (CV) method
- Adaptive P&O technique
- Adaptive IC technique
- P&O with compensation network
- Fuzzy logic
- Artificial Neuron Network

I. Introduction

Characteristic curves under different irradiance and partial shading conditions



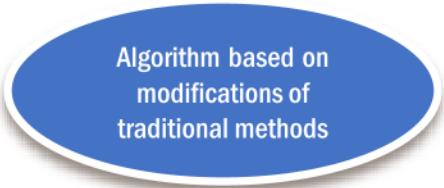
I. Introduction

This work presents a performance comparison between different kind of MPPT techniques for grid-connected PV systems under partial shading conditions.



Traditional methods

- P&O technique



Algorithm based on
modifications of
traditional methods

- Observe, Compare and
Perturbed (OC&P) technique

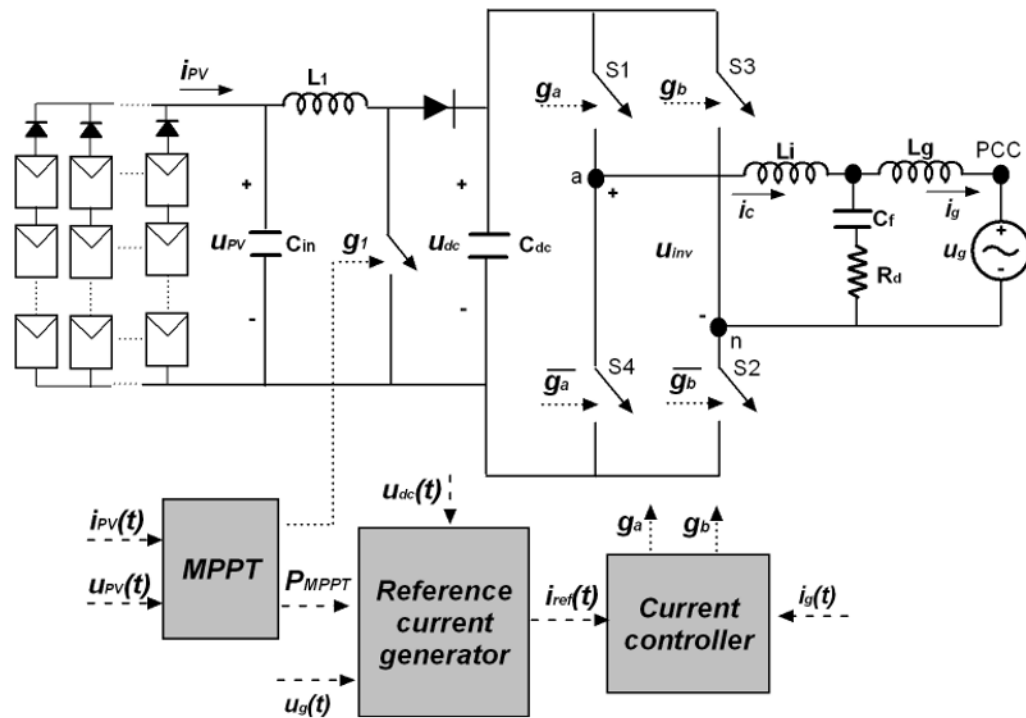


Algorithm based on
artificial intelligence

- Fuzzy logic controller

II. Grid-connected PV system

Scheme of the grid-connected PV system



II. Grid-connected PV system

Reference signal generation:

- Algorithm based on Fryze power theory

$$i_{ref} = \frac{P^* u_g}{U_{gRMS}^2}$$
$$P^* = P_{PV} - P_{dc}$$

where:

$$P_{dc} = k_p e + \frac{k_p}{T_i} \int e dt$$
$$e = U_{dc}^* - u_{dc}$$

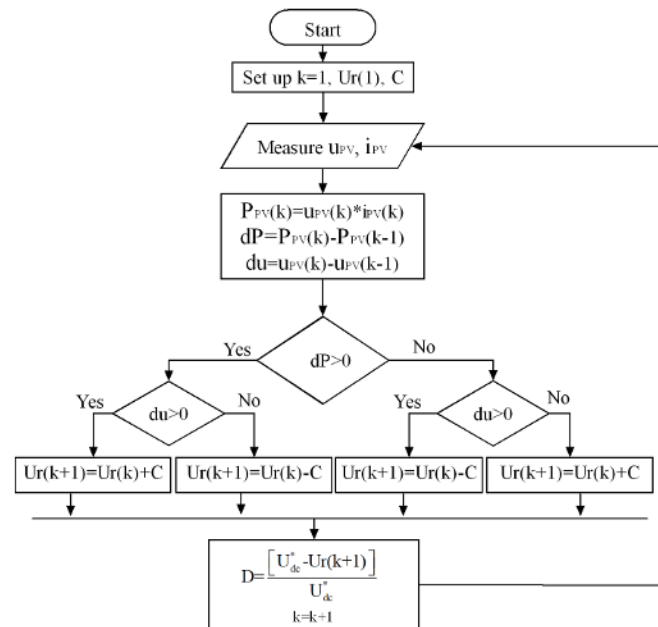
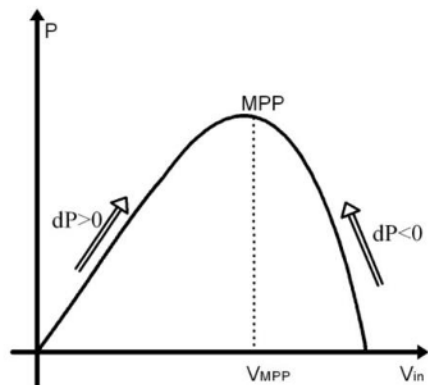
Current controller:

- Proportional resonant (PR) damped controller with PWM technique

$$G_{PR}(s) = k_{pr} + \frac{2k_i \omega_c s}{s^2 + 2\omega_c s + \omega_o^2}$$

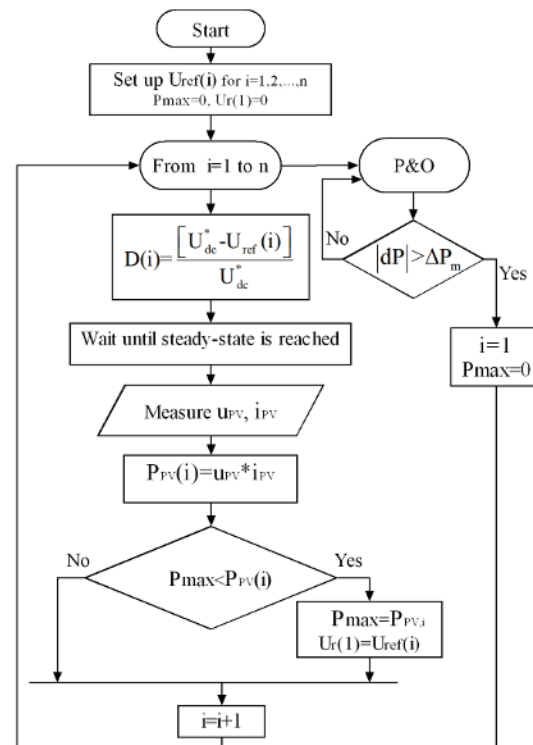
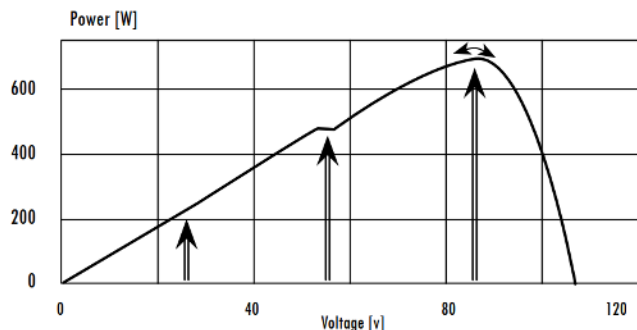
III. Maximum Power Point tracking (MPPT) algorithms

I. Perturb and Observe (P&O) technique



III. Maximum Power Point tracking (MPPT) algorithms

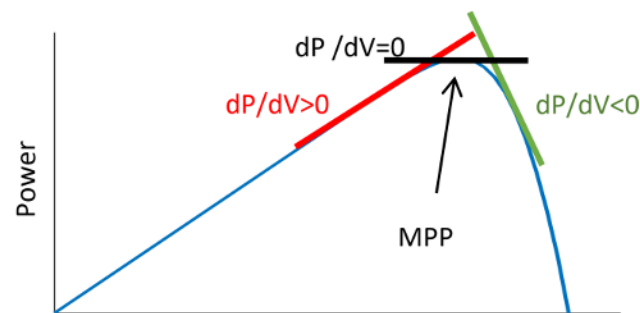
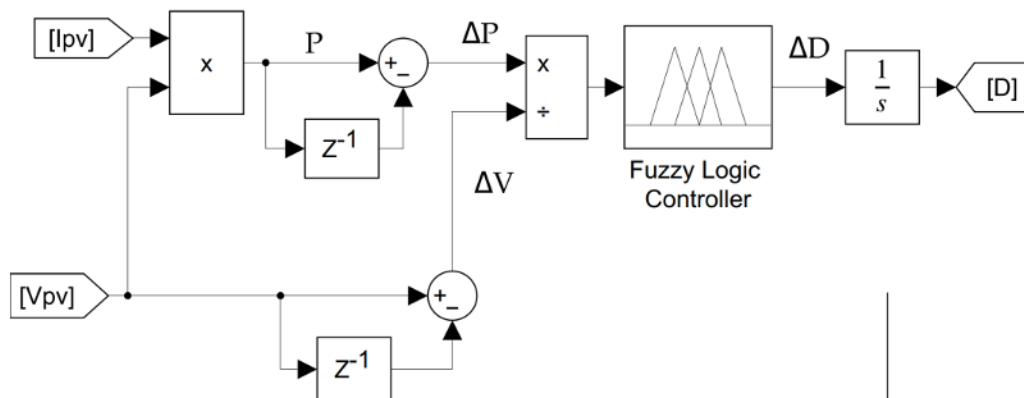
II. Observe, Compare and Perturb (OC&P) technique



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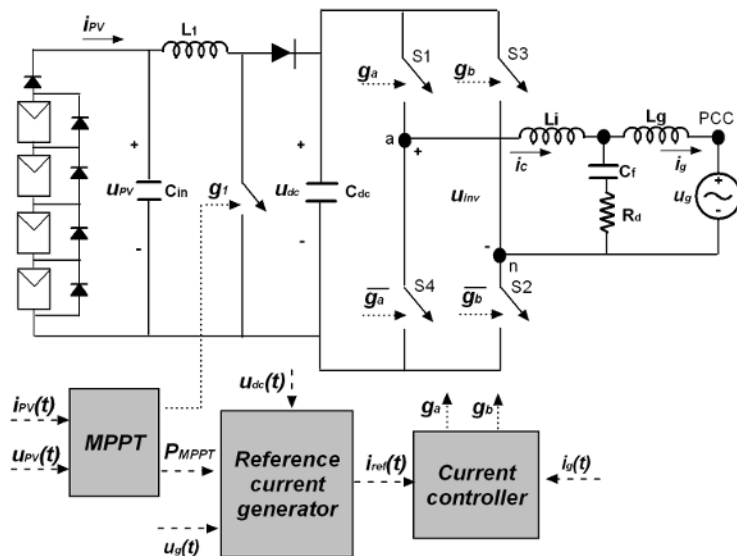
III. Fuzzy logic controller



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IV. Simulation test

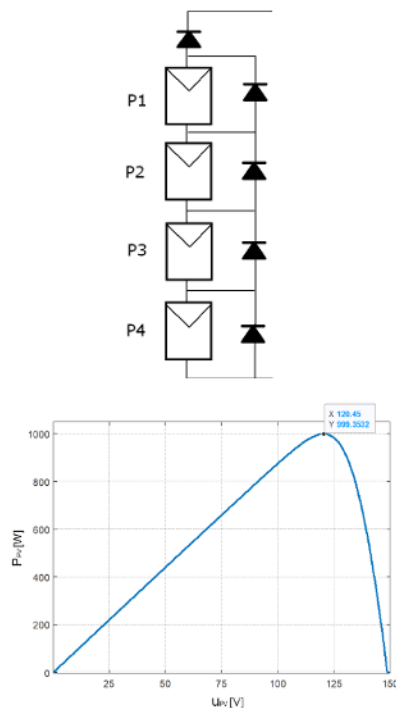
Grid-connected PV system



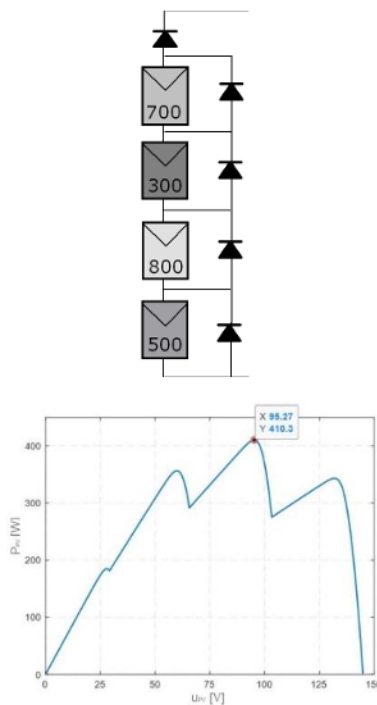
Parameter	Value
Power at the MPP under STC	1000 W
Voltage at the MPP under STC	120.4 V
Current at the MPP under STC	8.3 A
Input capacitor (C_{in})	10 μ F
DC-link capacitor (C_{dc})	2200 μ F
Filter capacitor (C_f)	9.2 μ F
Filter damping resistor (R_d)	1.5 Ω
Boost converter inductor (L_1)	10 mH
Inverter side inductor (L_i)	3.7 mH
Grid side inductor (L_g)	180 μ H
Grid voltage (u_g)	120 V_{rms} / 60 Hz
Switching frequency (f_s)	20 kHz
DC-link reference voltage (U_{dc}^*)	300 V

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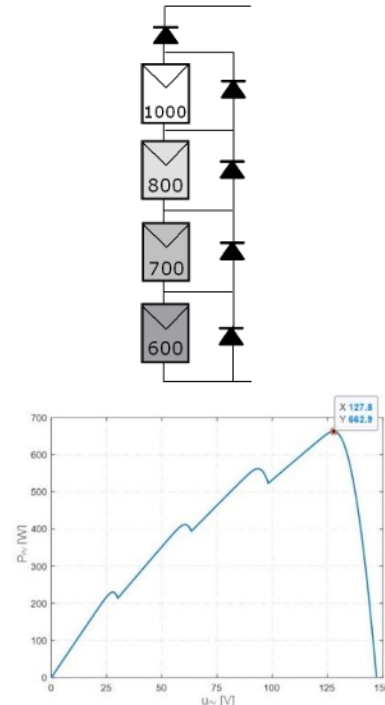
PV generator and shading conditions



$0 \leq t \leq 4$ [s]



$4 < t \leq 6$ [s]



$6 < t \leq 8$ [s]

IV. Simulation test

Comparison criteria:

- **Convergence time:** time required to reach the 95% of the final value of the power at the global MPP after the occurrence of a disturbance.
- **Maximum relative error in steady-state** between the power delivered by the PV generator (P_{PV}) and the power at the global MPP (P_{MPP}):

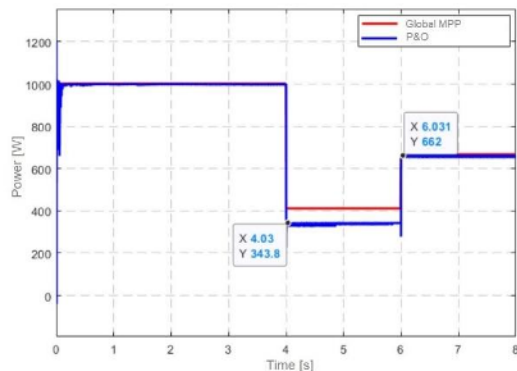
$$\varepsilon = \max \left(\frac{|P_{PV} - P_{MPP}|}{P_{MPP}} \right)$$

- **The efficiency of the algorithm in steady-state according to:**

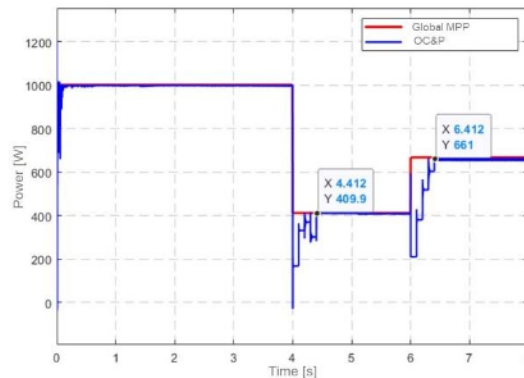
$$\eta(t) = \frac{\int_{t_1}^t P_{PV}(\tau) d\tau}{\int_{t_1}^t P_{MPP}(\tau) d\tau}$$

V. Results

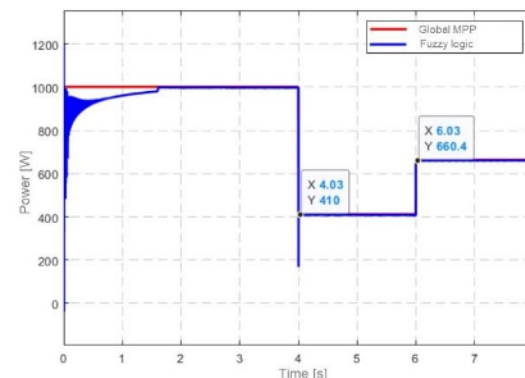
P&O



OC&P



Fuzzy Logic



Technique	Convergence time [s]	Relative error [%]	Efficiency [%]
OC&P	0,412	0,509	above 95
Fuzzy logic	0,03	0,178	above 95

VI. Conclusions

- The traditional P&O technique may converge to non-global maximums under partial shading conditions, which depends on the initial reference voltage value and the location of the global maximum.
- The OC&P method and fuzzy logic controller presented an outstanding performance on the tracking of the global maximum under different cases of partial shading conditions with an efficiency above the 95% in steady-state. Between these two algorithms, the fuzzy logic controller presented a faster respond to the global maximum power and smaller relative errors than the OC&P technique once the system has already been initialized.

VI. Conclusions

- The fuzzy logic controller requires a previous algorithm that provides the most suitable ranges for the membership functions, otherwise it could lead to local maximums.
- Regarding the OC&P method, it presented a convergence time less to 0.5 [s], which is feasible for this application. However, this algorithm requires prior knowledge of the number of PV panels in series connection in the PV generator and the number of sub-modules per panel with bypass diodes.

VII. Questions

¡THANK YOU!

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