

What is the wind load of a PV support?

The wind load is the most significant load when designing a PV support; thus, its value and calculation should be investigated. Different countries have their own specifications and, consequently, equations for the wind loads of PV supports.

Are photovoltaic power generation systems vulnerable to wind loads?

(1) Background: As environmental issues gain more attention, switching from conventional energy has become a recurring theme. This has led to the widespread development of photovoltaic (PV) power generation systems. PV supports, which support PV power generation systems, are extremely vulnerable to wind loads.

What is the wind vibration coefficient of flexible PV support structure?

The wind vibration coefficients in different zones under the wind pressure or wind suction are mostly between 2.0 and 2.15. Compared with the experimental results, the current Chinese national standards are relatively conservative in the equivalent static wind loads of flexible PV support structure.

What is the average load factor for solar PV in 2019/20?

Boxes indicate range from lower to upper quartile (25th to 75th percentile) with median indicated. The median load factor for Solar PV in 2019/20 was lower than 2018/19 by 0.2 percentage points. However, in 2019/20 average sunlight hours were 4.4, down from 4.9 in 2018/19 which had been the sunniest year in this time series.

How does wind load affect PV panel support?

2. Influencing Factors of Wind Load of PV Panel Support 2.1. Panel Inclination Angle The angle  $\alpha$  between the PV panel and the horizontal plane is called the panel inclination (Figure 3). Because of the PV panel's varying inclination angle, a PV power generation system's wind load varies, impacting the system's power generation efficiency. Figure 3.

How does wind load affect PV power generation?

A wind load accelerates the cooling of PV panels, thereby reducing the cell's temperature and increasing the power generation efficiency for PV power generation. However, the PV panel generates wind-induced vibration due to the wind load, which can damage the system (Figure 12).

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