

## ECE 333 Green Electric Energy - Quiz 6 Solutions

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Duration: 20 minutes

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**Closed book, closed notes, cell phones are not allowed.**

**Show all your work and always indicate the units, as appropriate.**

### Problem 1 [65 points]:

Consider a *PV* system with *stc* rated *DC PV* system power output of  $p_{DC,stc} = 3 \text{ kWp}$ , installed in a site in Durham with a  $0.8\text{-sun}$  and  $32^\circ\text{C}$  ambient temperature. The *PV* system has a temperature coefficient of  $-0.6\%/^\circ\text{C}$ , and  $\tau_n = 45^\circ\text{C}$ . Take the derate factor  $\chi$  equal to the default derate factor in *PVWATTS*,  $\chi = 0.77$ .

- a. [35 points] Calculate  $\chi'$ , (temperature-related derate factor).

**Solution:**

$$\tau_{cell} = \tau_a + \left( \frac{\tau_n - 20}{0.8} \right) (\text{insolation}) = 32 + \left( \frac{45 - 20}{0.8} \right) (0.8) = 57^\circ\text{C}.$$

$$\chi' = \chi [1 + z(\tau_{cell} - 25)] = (0.77)[1 - (0.006)(57 - 25)]$$

$$\chi' = (0.77)[1 - (0.006)(32)] = (0.77)(0.808) = 0.622$$

- b. [30 points] Calculate the *AC* power delivered by the *PV* system.

**Solution:**

$$p_{AC} = (p_{DC,stc})(\chi') = (3)(0.622) = 1.866 \text{ kW}$$

### Problem 2 [35 points]:

Calculate the solar altitude angle at solar noon on a clear January 9 in Istanbul at latitude  $l = 0.716$  radians.

**Solution:**

$$\delta|_d = 0.41 \times \sin\left(2\pi \frac{(d-81)}{365}\right). \text{ For } d=9,$$

$$\delta|_9 = 0.41 \times \sin\left(2\pi \frac{(9-81)}{365}\right) = 0.41 \times \sin\left(2\pi \frac{(-72)}{365}\right) = 0.41 \times \sin(-1.2394)$$

$$\delta|_9 = 0.41 \times (-0.9456) = -0.3877 \text{ radians}$$

$$\beta(0)|_d = \frac{\pi}{2} - l + \delta|_d. \text{ For } d = 9 \text{ and } l = 0.716 \text{ radians}$$

$$\beta(0)|_9 = \frac{\pi}{2} - 0.716 + (-0.3877) = 0.467 \text{ radians}$$

**Formulae:**

The apparent solar irradiation is given by the formula:  $a|_d = 1,160 + 75 \times \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{(d-275)}{365} \right)$ .

The solar declination angle is given by the formula:  $\delta|_d = 0.41 \times \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{(d-81)}{365} \right)$ .

The air mass ratio is given by the formula:

$$r(h)|_d = \sqrt{[708 \sin (\beta(0)|_d)]^2 + 1,417} - 708 \sin (\beta(0)|_d).$$

The clear-sky direct beam radiation is given by the formula:  $i_b(h)|_d = a|_d e^{-k|_d r(h)|_d}$ .

The solar altitude angle at solar noon is given by the formula:  $\beta(0)|_d = \frac{\pi}{2} - l + \delta|_d$ .

The optical depth is given by the formula:  $k|_d = 0.174 + 0.035 \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{(d-100)}{365} \right)$ .