

# Solar energy storage methods in cold regions

A novel method for constructing a distributed solar photovoltaic (PV) direct-drive cold storage system is proposed. In this system, the vapour compression refrigeration cycle (VCRC) is directly driven by a PV array, and ice thermal energy storage is used as the energy storage unit instead of a battery.

However, the numerical methods to investigate solar energy for cold storage are limited and not well explored in the literature. Existing literature has predominantly focused on solar energy for space cooling applications, typically designed for positive temperature ranges [3,4]. In contrast, cold storage necessitates sub-zero

The round-arch solar greenhouse (RASG) is widely used in the alpine and high latitude areas of China for its excellent performance. Common high temperature and high humidity environments have ...

Energy security has major three measures: physical accessibility, economic affordability and environmental acceptability. For regions with an abundance of solar energy, solar thermal energy storage technology offers tremendous potential for ensuring energy security, minimizing carbon footprints, and reaching sustainable development goals.

TRNSYS can simulate a geothermal solar system to optimize equipment parameters. Elizabeth [25] simulated and analyzed the different combinations of solar collectors and GSHP, and found that the best strategy is using solar energy to produce domestic hot water in summer and supplement hot water to buried pipes in winter. Emmi [26] determined ...

Household biogas-digesters are a prospective technique that can help minimal-income rural families to meet their basic energy requirements and enhance their living standards. Nevertheless, due to the cold temperature of the digesters, the biogas generation is decreased and the digestion efficiency is generally low. The current work proposes a solar-greenhouse ...

Due to the versatile applications of solar heat as shown in Table 2, researchers are working on developing novel technologies for capturing, storing solar heat at different temperatures. Solar thermal collectors like a flat plate, evacuated or parabolic troughs can capture solar energy under clear sunlight and that can be used for different applications at minimal ...

viding additional heat into the soil. Energy storage technology, such as solar energy storage, is commonly applied to store natural underground energy [13]. Solar-assisted GSHPs (SA-GSHPs) installed for a residential building in Tianjin, China (a cold region similar to Beijing), were studied by Wang et al. The system performance during long operating

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In recent years, heat pump technology has become more and more popular in HVAC systems all over the world with the advantages of high efficiency and environmental protection [3]. The heat pump is capable of using low-grade energy and is easy to combine with renewable energy, which has the potential to become an ideal solution for building energy ...

The integration of storage solutions with solar power systems provides several benefits for homeowners and businesses alike. By capturing excess energy generated during peak sunlight hours, these systems ensure a consistent power supply that can be tapped into when solar production declines, such as during the night or on cloudy days.

IndexTerms - Solar Powered Cold Storage, Thermal Energy Storage. 1. Introduction: ... conventional methods of storage, such as cold rooms and refrigerators, consume a large amount of energy and are expensive to ... which is abundant in many regions, to power the refrigeration cycle. Thermal energy storage (TES) backup systems are also used to ...

In the past decade, Chinese urban areas have seen rapid development, and rural areas are becoming the next construction hotspot. The development of rural buildings in China has lagged behind urban development, and there is a lack of energy-efficient rural buildings. Rural houses in severe cold regions have the characteristics of large energy exchange, a long ...

With the thriving development of tunnel construction in remote areas of China, it is imperative to seize this opportunity to apply the SSTSH system for cold-region tunnels in areas with abundant solar energy, to address the energy storage and frost prevention needs of cold-region tunnels, such as the Tianshan Shengli Tunnel in the Tianshan ...

$Q_{\text{Max}}$  is the theoretical heat storage or release for the phase change energy storage device,  $J$ ;  $Q_L$ ,  $Q_s$  respectively refer to latent heat transfer and sensible heat transfer of phase change energy storage device during heat storage and release,  $J$ ;  $M_{\text{PCM}}$  and  $M_{\text{pvc}}$  are the mass of PCM and PVC-U pipes respectively,  $\text{kg}$ ;  $L_{\text{ch}}(\text{dis})$  is the phase ...

One challenge facing solar energy is reduced energy production when the sun sets or is blocked by clouds. Thermal energy storage is one solution. ... The hot- and cold-temperature regions are separated by a temperature gradient or thermocline. High-temperature heat-transfer fluid flows into the top of the thermocline and exits the bottom at low ...

The adverse effect of conventional fuel-based energy systems on the environment, such as pollution and  $\text{CO}_2$  emission, can be mitigated by integrating them with suitable renewable energy resources along with energy storage. Solar energy technology has risen as the prominent renewable energy resource for various energy applications due to its ...

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The main objective of this study is to analyze the performance of SA-GSHP systems and to optimize the solar collector size for SA-GSHP systems operating in cold regions. The main components of the SA-GSHP ...

Numerous solutions for energy conservation become more practical as the availability of conventional fuel resources like coal, oil, and natural gas continues to decline, and their prices continue to rise [4]. As climate change rises to prominence as a worldwide issue, it is imperative that we find ways to harness energy that is not only cleaner and cheaper to use but ...

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Various researches have been investigated in terms of three types of energy storage methods i.e. sensible TES, latent TES, and thermochemical TES [13, 14]. Energy storage density, power density and thermal efficiency are key parameters to evaluate the overall performance of TES systems [15, 16]. Sensible TES has the advantage of simple structure ...

The efficient utilization of solar energy technology is significantly enhanced by the application of energy storage, which plays an essential role. Nowadays, a wide variety of applications deal with energy storage. Due to the intermittent nature of solar radiation, phase change materials are excellent options for use in several types of solar energy systems. This ...

2. Solar energy is a time dependent and intermittent energy resource. In general energy needs or demands for a very wide variety of applications are also time dependent, but in an entirely different manner from the solar energy supply. There is thus a marked need for the storage of energy or another product of the solar process, if the solar energy is to meet the ...

The primary objective of this study is to address the embankment frost heave issues in cold regions with an active heating method. The applicability of various heat sources was compared with the heating demands of embankments, and the results demonstrated that the seasonally frozen areas of China are rich in solar energy resources.

This chapter is presented to cover the basic aspects and key details of thermal energy storage (TES) methods at low to high temperatures. ... There is a mixing layer between the hot and cold regions. ... & Thompson, J. (1977). Experimental study of thermally stratified hot water storage tanks. *Solar Energy*, 19, 519-524. Article Google Scholar ...

Solar energy increases its popularity in many fields, from buildings, food productions to power plants and other industries, due to the clean and renewable properties. To eliminate its intermittence feature, thermal energy storage is vital for efficient and stable operation of solar energy utilization systems. It is an effective

way of decoupling the energy demand and ...

A comparative assessment of various thermal energy storage methods is also presented. Sensible heat storage involves storing thermal energy within the storage medium by increasing temperature without undergoing any phase transformation, whereas latent heat storage involves storing thermal energy within the material during the transition phase.

The findings provide useful references for future development of PCMs for thermal energy storage in those regions located in cold regions. 2. Solar energy storage. Solar energy is an attractive substitute for conventional fossil fuels for heating applications [38].

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