



## Case Study: Energy-Management System for a Grid-Connected Residential DC Microgrid

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### Abstract:

Power consumption increase and the never-ending industrial demand on electrical energy have resulted in a depletion of conventional generation resources, such as fossil fuels. On the other hand, renewable energies are still facing issues for massive generation and supply due to its unpredictable nature. One alternative to solve these issues is the distributed generation techniques sourced by renewable energy which require efficient and highly reliable power management schemes in microgrids.

Among the investigations carried out on energy management systems (EMSs) in microgrids ( $\mu$ Gs) there are different approaches that include scheduling strategies, cost reduction or energy commercialization, among others. However, in author's opinion, some of them are oversimplified and other considers ideal conditions, which are not satisfied in real-life situations. Therefore, the design and implementation of an EMS applied to a residential direct current microgrid (DC- $\mu$ G) is presented in this work. The proposed residential DC- $\mu$ G is designed to provide a maximum power of 1 kW by using two photovoltaic arrays (PAs) of 500 W, a battery bank (BB) of 120 V-115 Ah, a supercapacitor module of 0.230 F and a bidirectional DC-AC converter linked to the AC main grid (MG). The EMS works as a centralized

manager and it defines the working operation mode for each section of the DC- $\mu$ G. The operation modes are based on: (1) the DC-link bus voltage, (2) the generated or demanded power to each section of the DC- $\mu$ G and (3) the BB's state of charge. The proposed EMS—during the several working operation modes and at the same time—can obtain the maximum energy from the PAs, reduce the energy consumption from the main grid and keep the DC-link bus voltage inside a range of  $190\text{ V} \pm 5\%$ . The EMS and local controllers are implemented by using LabVIEW and NI myRIO-1900 platforms. Moreover, experimental results during connection and disconnection of



each DC- $\mu$ G sections and different on-the-fly transitions are reported, these results focus on the behavior of the DC bus, which shows the DC bus robustness and stability under different scenarios.

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