

Zehndorfer
Engineering Consulting

PID-Analyse

14.9.2015

Middle East

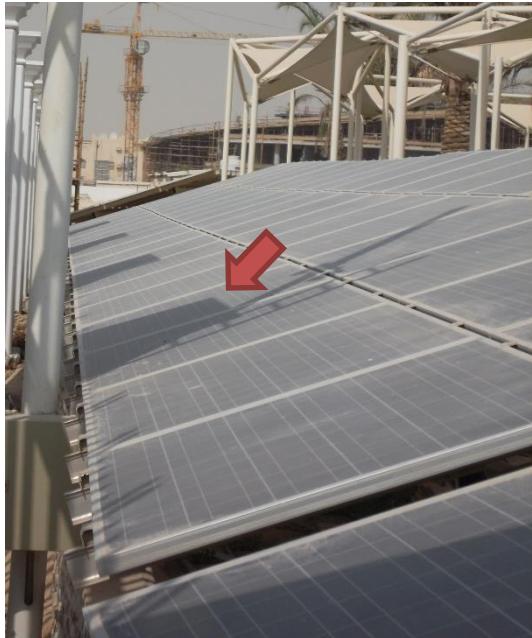
Contents

- System description
- Visual inspection
- Measurements
 - Voltage
 - Infrared
 - IV-curve
- Conclusions
- Next steps

System description

- 297 PV Panels 215Wp poly
- 4 Inverters
- 12 Island Inverters
- Ground mounted system

Visual inspection



Electric

- No inverter errors
- Cables & plugs no visual damage
- PV cables should be protected from sharp edges
- Grounding present at inverter & mounting structure

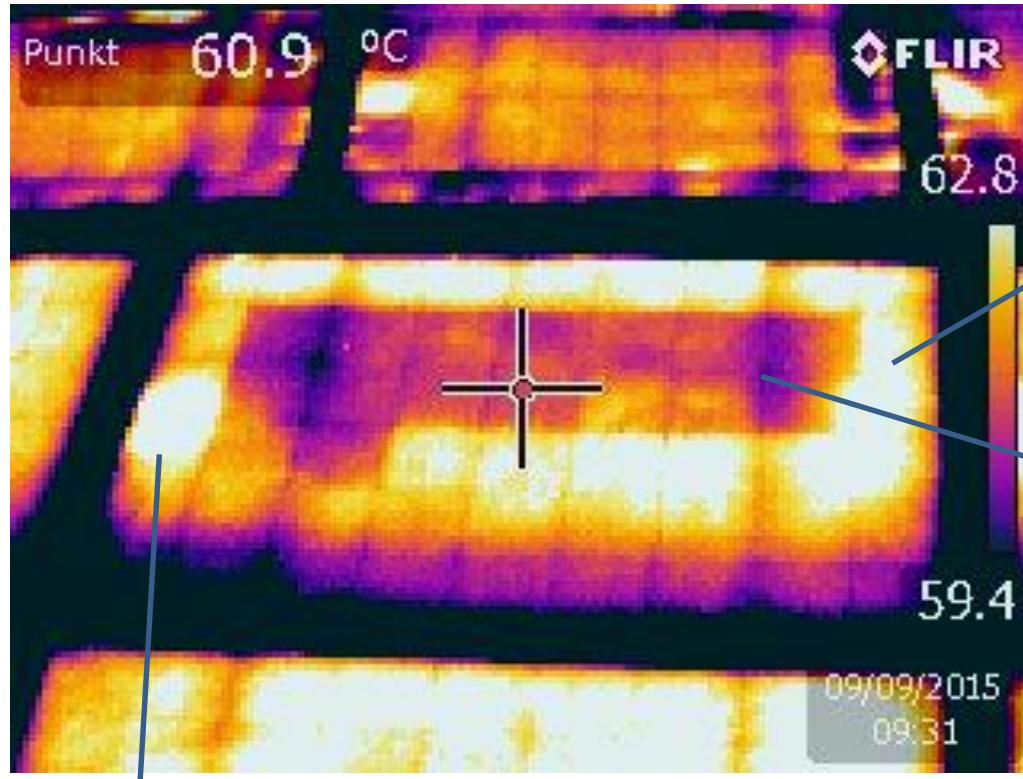
System

- Some permanent shading by fence (can lead to local hotspots over a longer time)
- No visual damage of glass or cells

Measurements - Voltage

	Nominal	Measured
PV Panel - open circuit voltage (V_{OC})	33.45V (@STC)	7.5 ... 28.5V
PV String Voltage (max power point) $25 \times V_{mpp}$	836.3V (@STC)	149 ... 200V

Measurements - Infrared



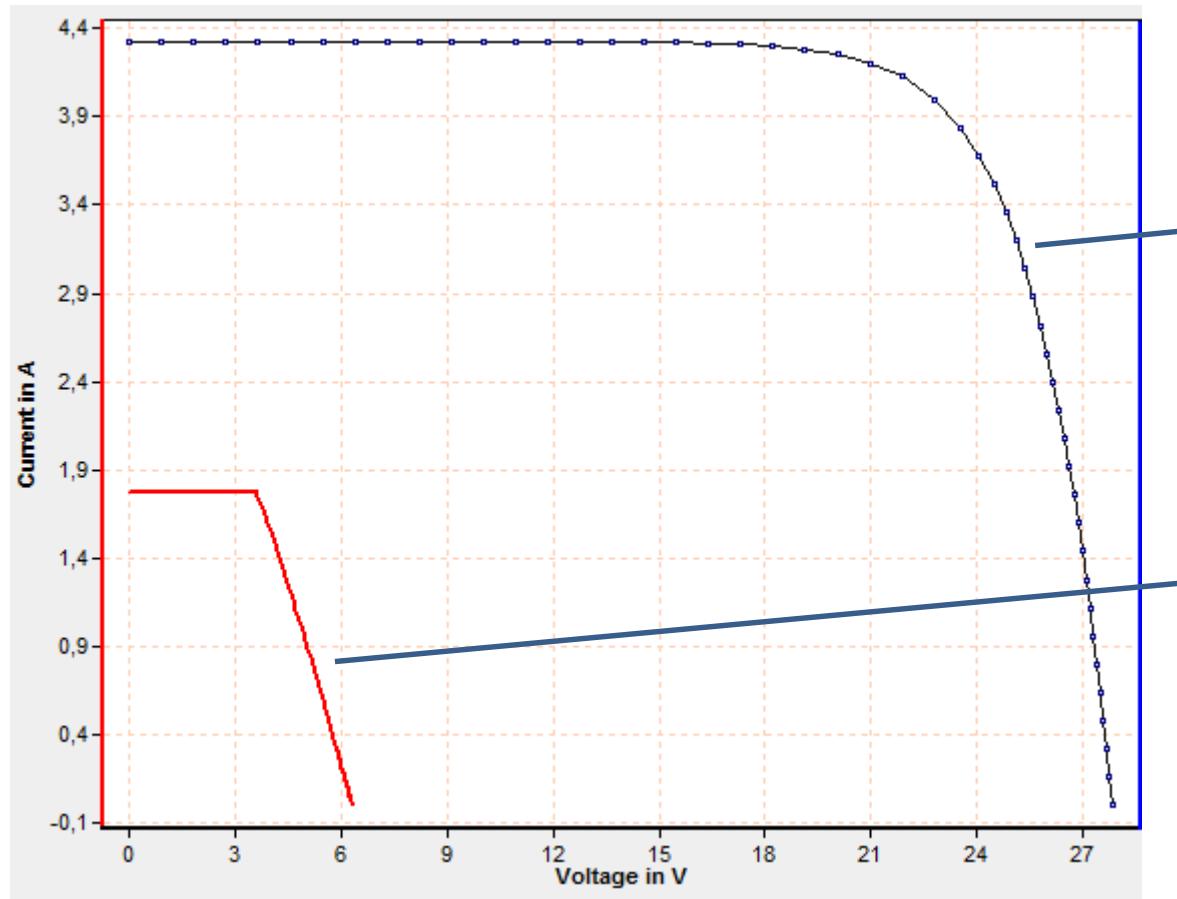
Junction box (normal)

Hot cells at the edge
(peculiar)

Cooler cells in the middle

Temperature difference approx 3-4K

Measurements – IV-curve



Nominal Curve

Measured Curve

Conclusions

- Significant reduction in generated power
- No visual damage
- No inverter errors
- No observable design errors
- No observable faults in execution
- PID (Potential Induces Degradation) on all PV panels

Next steps

- EL-Analysis of 1 module
- Trial run with SMA Offset-box

Contact



Zehndorfer Engineering Consulting e.U.
Jakob Zehndorfer Dipl.-Ing. ,MBA
Bachstraße 20
9161 Maria Rain
Austria

email: jakob.zehndorfer@zehndorfer.at
www.zehndorfer.at
Tel: +43 (680) 244 3310