

Are aircraft-based inspections better than UAV surveys for solar PV plants?

Airplane-based inspections are more convenientthan UAV surveys for PV plants > 40 MW. The continuous increase in the number and scale of solar photovoltaic power plants requires the implementation of reliable diagnostic tools for fault detection.

### Can a UAV be used to inspect a photovoltaic plant?

For more information on the journal statistics, click here. Multiple requests from the same IP address are counted as one view. Because photovoltaic (PV) plants require periodic maintenance, using unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) for inspections can help reduce costs. Usually, the thermal and visual inspection of PV installations works as follows.

### Can uav photogrammetry be used for Autonomous inspection of PV plants?

The autonomous inspection of PV plants through UAV photogrammetry has been explored in the literature[14,15,29,30]. The UAV is given a set of waypoints, usually arranged in such a way as to cover a delimited area to ensure the required horizontal and vertical overlapping of images.

### Can UAV-based approaches support PV plant diagnostics?

Focus was shed on UAV-based approaches, that can support PV plant diagnostics using imaging techniques and data analytics. In this context, the essential equipment needed and the sensor requirements (parameters and resolution) for the diagnosis of failures in monitored PV systems using UAV-based approaches were outlined.

#### What is a UAV based inspection?

Since the UAV-based inspection is currently considered the gold standard for monitoring of PV plants, the thermal data gathered by the UAV platform are regarded as the reference ones.

#### Can unmanned aerial vehicle-based approaches support PV plant diagnosis?

This study aims to give an overview of the existing approaches for PV plant diagnosis, focusing on unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)-based approaches, that can support PV plant diagnostics using imaging techniques and data-driven analytics.

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The output of PV modules must be measured under standard test conditions (STC- Temperature: 25°, Radiation: 1000 W/m^2, AM 1.5) to assure common reference criteria [12]. ... (UAV) ...



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the Canny operator to detect anomalies in the solar panel in their study. In the training of the algorithm, solar panel errors are detected in the images by using CNN as a deep learning ...

Solar panels are integral to harnessing solar energy, but performance varies across different models, types, and brands of solar panels. For this reason, the solar industry relies on Standard Test Conditions (STC), ...

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A Photovoltaic (PV) panel defects reduce the panel power and long-term reliability that is not recovered during regular operation. The defects may be initiated during ...

The panel area extraction algorithm developed in this paper has a process of four stages, as described in Fig. 2. Firstly, candidates of the photovoltaic panel boundaries are extracted. To ...

The main purpose of this study is to evaluate the feasibility to use Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) technology for solar panel applications and to propose a reliable, economical and fast method of ...

Recent developments in photovoltaic (PV) technology have made solar power a viable alternative for powering unmanned aircraft (UAV, UAS, RPAS, drones) as well as ground and marine based autonomous platforms ...

This study demonstrates that a drone flying above photovoltaic (PV) panels can clean the dust and enhance the panels" efficiency. If operated regularly, the drone downward ...

The test stand allows us to test solar cells in the STC (Standard Test Conditions): ir- radiate with the power 1000 W/m 2 in the temperature 25 °C, and Air mass 1.5 spectrum (AM 1.5) defined by ...

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This paper deals with the problem of coverage path planning for multiple UAVs in disjoint regions. For this purpose, a spiral-coverage path planning algorithm is proposed. Additionally, task ...

PV end, a point on the PV midline that identifies the end of the PV module row. PV start, a point that identifies the start of the new PV module row, whose position is computed with respect to ...

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