

Lightning protection design for rooftop solar panels





Overview

Do rooftop photovoltaic systems need a lightning protection system?

This guideline also requires that LPL III and thus a lightning protection system according to class of LPS III be installed for rooftop PV systems (> 10 kWp) and that surge protection measures be taken. As a general rule, rooftop photovoltaic systems must not interfere with the existing lightning protection measures.

Can Lightning affect a roof top PV system?

It has been shown that for buildings with roof top PV systems only the avoidance of lightning attachment to unprotected parts of the building is not sufficient. Lightning currents passing through the lightning protection system may still affect the PV power system through inductive coupling.

Do PV systems need a lightning protection system?

The necessities of lightning protection on the PV systems and its barrier, the need for different lightning protection system on PV systems as well as its recommended practices are also discussed in this paper.

How to protect PV panels during lightning strikes?

Therefore, an adequate lightning protection system (LPS) must be installed to protect the PV panels. In addition, the transient performance of PV panels during lightning strikes must be analyzed well. This paper presents a comprehensive review of the superior modeling methods of PV systems during lightning strikes.



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