



Global research trends on photovoltaic maximum power extraction: Systematic and	
scientometric analysis	
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Abstract: This paper is thought to be an early attempt to address both the systematic and	
scientometric quantitative and qualitative data analysis of the worldwide research trends on	
photovoltaic maximum power point tracking (PV-MPPT) from 1995 to 2021. The science	
mapping of notable PV-MPPT research outlets, co-authorship network, articles' citations	
network, keywords network, and active countries network in PV-MPPT research have been	
provided, discussed, and analysed. On the other hand, the major worldwide research trends	
of the PV-MPPT energy technologies have been discussed, classified, compared, and	
analysed, focusing on the significant issues and hot development areas that attracted the	
attention of worldwide researchers, industrial sectors, and countries. To the best of our	
knowledge, the worldwide research trends of PV-MPPT energy technologies have two major	
techniques: control circuit-based and power circuit-based techniques. The control-circuit	
based techniques are classified into nature-inspired MPPT and hybrid MPPT algorithms. On	
the other hand, the power circuit-based techniques have been classified into PV array-based	
and PV system arrangement-based techniques. The detailed comparisons proved that, both	
nature-inspired and hybrid algorithms performed well in case of static partial shade	
conditions (PSCs) with one global maximum peak (GMP), but they required reinitialization to	
track the dynamic GMP under dynamic PSCs. The hybrid MPPT algorithms performed well	
compared with the nature inspired MPPT algorithms in terms of GMP tracking, tracking	
speed, and fluctuations around GMP. However, their cost and complexity are high. This	
review enhances the collaboration between worldwide researchers and prominent countries	
in the PV energy area and provides some insights and future perspectives.	

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