

# Photovoltaic inverter PID module



## Overview

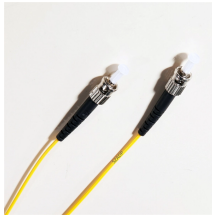
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Luckily, in most cases, the PID effect is reversible. However, if it has existed for a prolonged time without measures taken to fix the problem, it will permanently affect the cells and the encapsulant intrinsic properties. If PID has taken place, it can be mitigated by grounding the negative DC pole on the inverter in order to avoid negative volta. In the case of new PV plants, it's important to focus attention on the type of materials and the design choice of each module before making any purchases. Design choices that can affect the occurrence of PID are mainly related to PV module choice. For example, choosing a frameless PV module reduces the probability of PID because the region at zero.

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A PV Offset Box can be used for transformerless inverters that cannot be grounded. This device, developed by SMA Solar Technology AG, places inverse voltage on the PV array over night, thereby ...



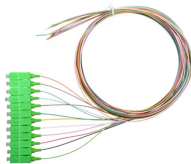
By prioritizing the selection of PID-resistant materials, adopting innovative system design practices, and leveraging technological advances, the solar industry can enhance the durability and performance of ...



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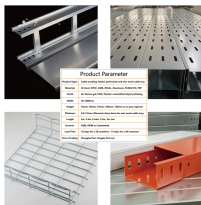
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Various module manufacturers claim to have developed PID-free modules, which are based on the use of PID-resistant components, anti-PID cells and encapsulant technology.

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