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(57) Abstract :

Maximizing power output from a solar panel is desirable to increase efficiency of a solar panel. The aim of this invention is to capture the maximum amount of energy dissipated from the sun in the form of solar rays using solar panels. The position of the Sun with respect to the solar panel is not fixed due to the rotation of the Earth. For an efficient output, solar panel should absorb energy to a maximum extent. This can be achieved only if the panels are continuously moved in the direction of the Sun. The combination of a DC motor with a Solar panel which is controlled by an ATmega328P microcontroller helps in the movement of the solar panel according to the direction of the Sun. The amount of rotation is determined by the microcontroller, based on inputs retrieved from the two LDR sensors located next to the solar panel. 3 Claims & 3 Figures

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