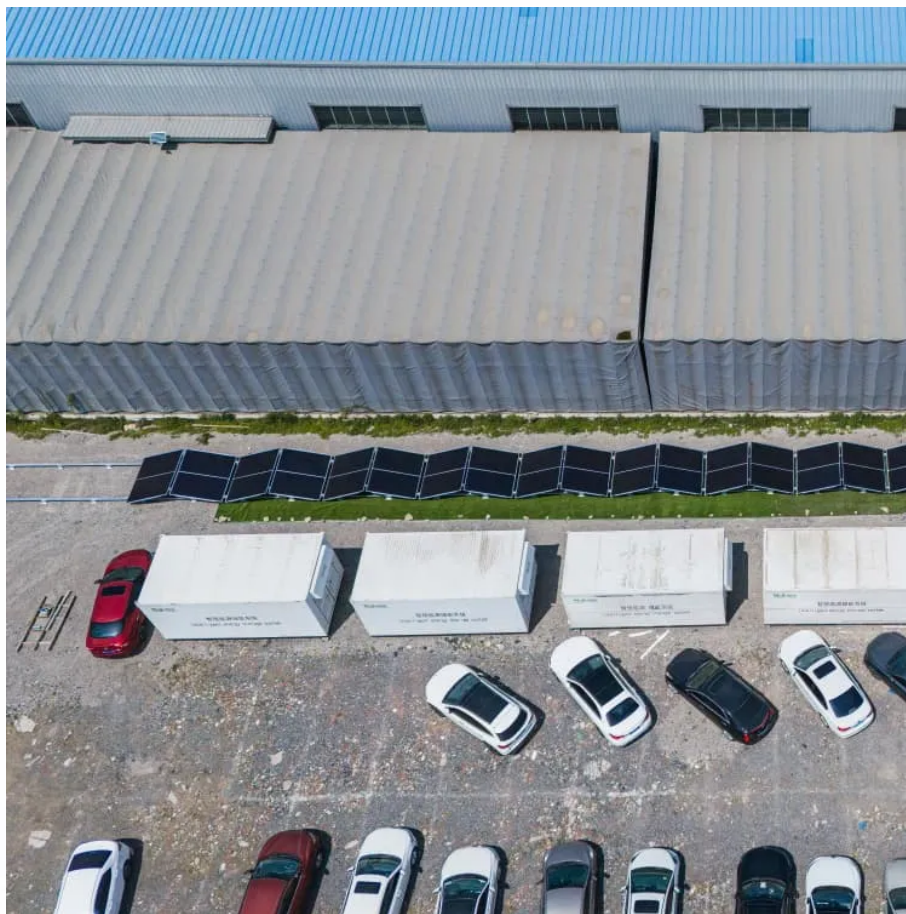


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Overview

Can rooftop solar PV panels be installed in a city-scale solar potential assessment?

“Few studies have considered the actual installation layout of solar PV panels in rooftop solar PV potential assessments at the city-scale.” The proposed method consists of four steps. First, an empirical model based on sunshine duration uses 3D data to calculate solar irradiance on building rooftops.

Can a new method be used to estimate rooftop solar energy potential?

The novel methodology was demonstrated in Nanjing, east China, and was found to be superior to conventional methods when it comes to estimating planned capacity. Researchers from China’s Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology have proposed a novel method for estimating rooftop solar energy potential on an urban scale.

Can solar energy be used on a sustainable roof?

Solar energy can be used on sustainable rooftops, as shown by an adapted solar energy model. This model estimates PV yield on such rooftops. A practical energy balance model is developed to simulate roof surface temperature, which is then included in solar energy modelling to improve accuracy. In Zurich, PVs on green and cool roofs can generate up to 4% more energy than those on gravel roofs.

What is a rooftop energy balance model?

A rooftop energy balance model is a type of model that was combined with a physically-based solar energy model (the System Advisor Model) to evaluate improvements in PV energy yield. This can be achieved by replacing traditional black membrane or rock ballasted roofs with sustainable, green or reflective (cool) roofs.



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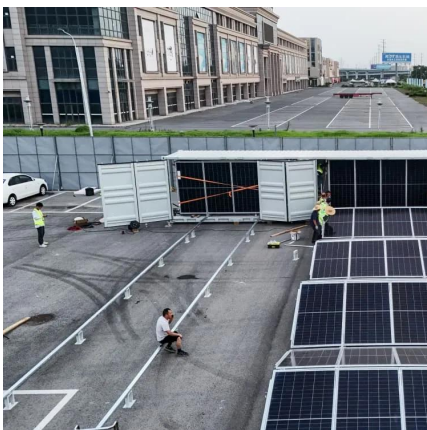
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