

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY QUIZ

The distance between a PV string and inverter is 30 m. The I_{mp} and V_{mp} of the PV string are 15 A and 240 V, respectively. Assume that both positive and negative cables have the same length and copper cable is used in the system (resistivity, $\rho = 0.017857$).

- i) Determine the minimum cable size if the maximum voltage drop across the cable is 2%. Given that the available cable sizes are 1.5 mm², 2.5 mm², 4 mm² and 6 mm². Justify your answer.
- ii) Calculate the actual voltage drop across the DC cable in volt.
- iii) Calculate the actual DC power loss of the cable in percentage.