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The next generation of solar
& storage modeling.

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Agenda

- ⚡ Octavia and subhourly overview
- ⚡ Subhourly, Terrain Aware Simulation
- ⚡ Daly Overview



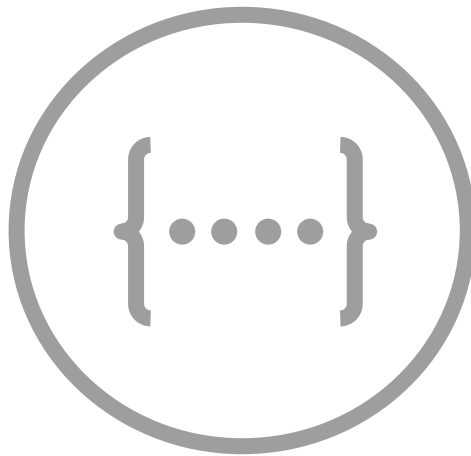
Octavia & Subhourly Overview



Daly Modeling Engine Overview



Accepted and widely used
physical models



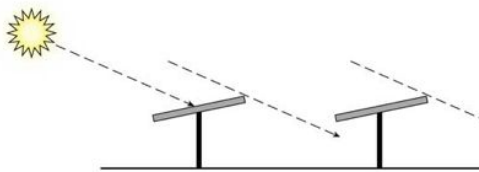
Simplified software and user
interfaces



Parallelized and distributed
computing



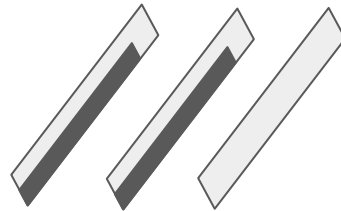
Near Shading Overview



Unlimited

2D Near Shading Engine

- ⚡ Analogous to 'unlimited' trackers
- ⚡ Simple inputs and usage
- ⚡ Simulated at energy model run time
- ⚡ Electrical impact optional
- ⚡ No separate object management



Octavia

3D Near Shading Engine

- ⚡ Advanced 3D near shading calculations
- ⚡ API Based
- ⚡ Diode protected areas in 3D
- ⚡ Terrain-aware tracking algorithm
- ⚡ Import shading scenes from SHD files, JSON point file, exports from PVComplete, .PVC file

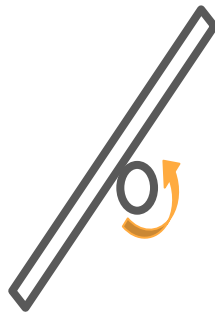


Octavia 3D Near Shade Scene Processing



Parallel Processing

Near shading calculations, like subhourly energy simulations, are broken up and run in parallel to improve calculator speed and complexity



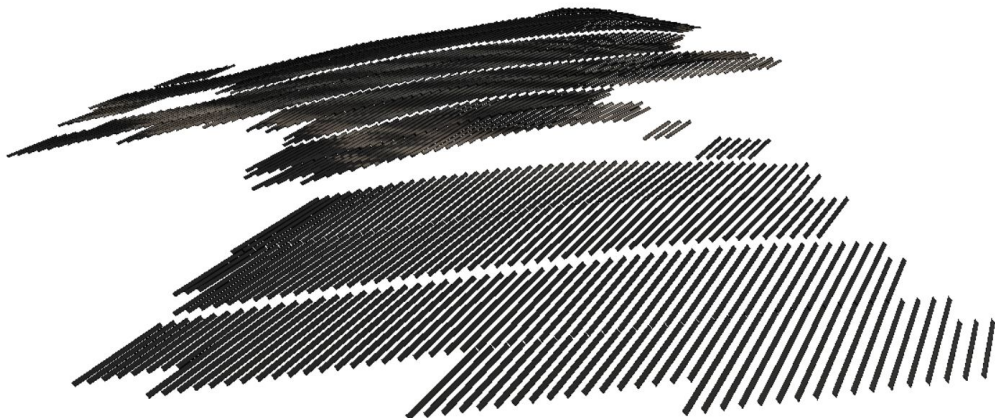
Tables Analyzed Individually

Each table is analyzed individually for a set of azimuths and a sweep of sun elevations to determine Terrain Aware Tracking adjustments, shade impacts and shading fractions

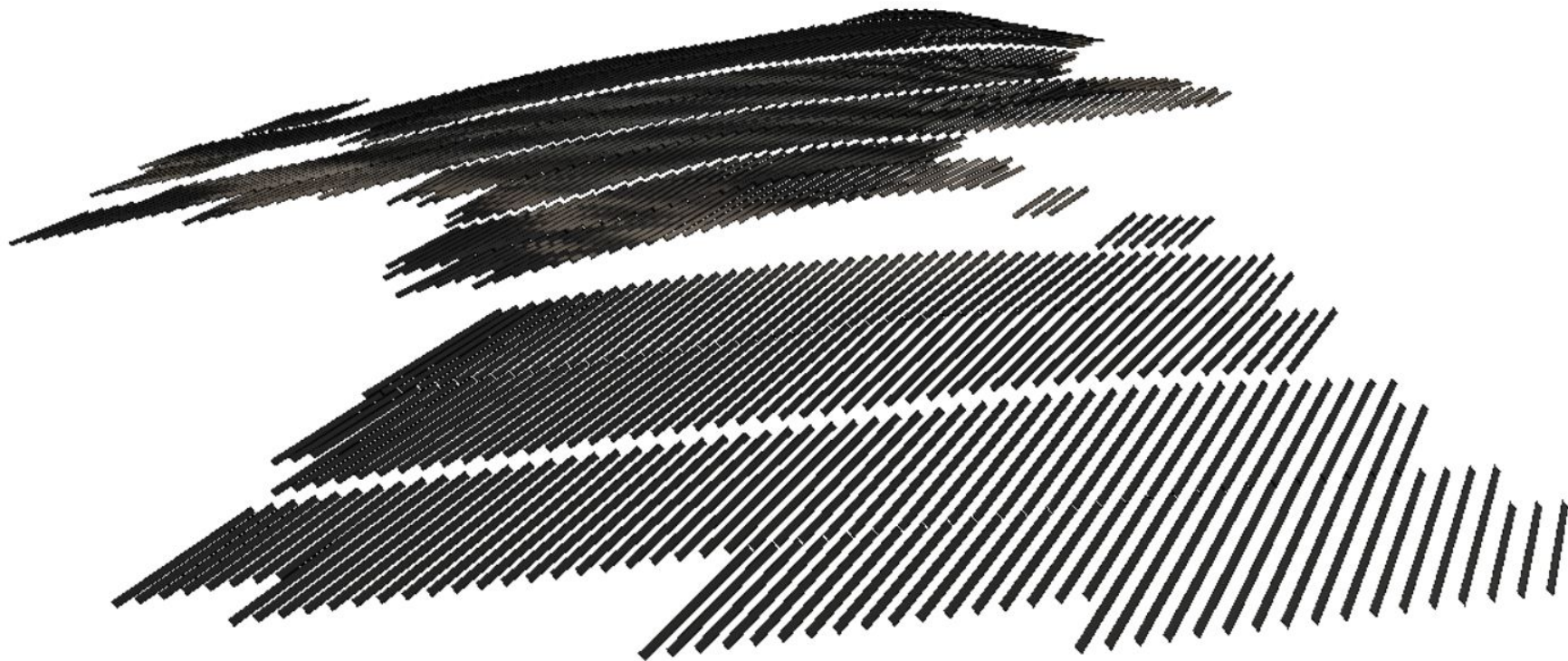
Case Study: Subhourly & Terrain-Aware



Example Project Overview



Location	Sonoma, CA
Latitude	38.28
Longitude	-122.46
Weather Source	NSRDB PSMv3
Weather Intervals	5, 15, 30, 60 min
MW	22.5
DC:AC Ratio	1.27
GCR	0.405
Average N/S Slope	4.42
Module	144 Cell – center bus bar

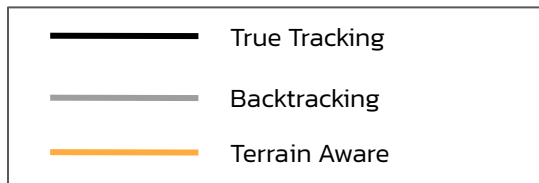


Layout Overview – Looking North



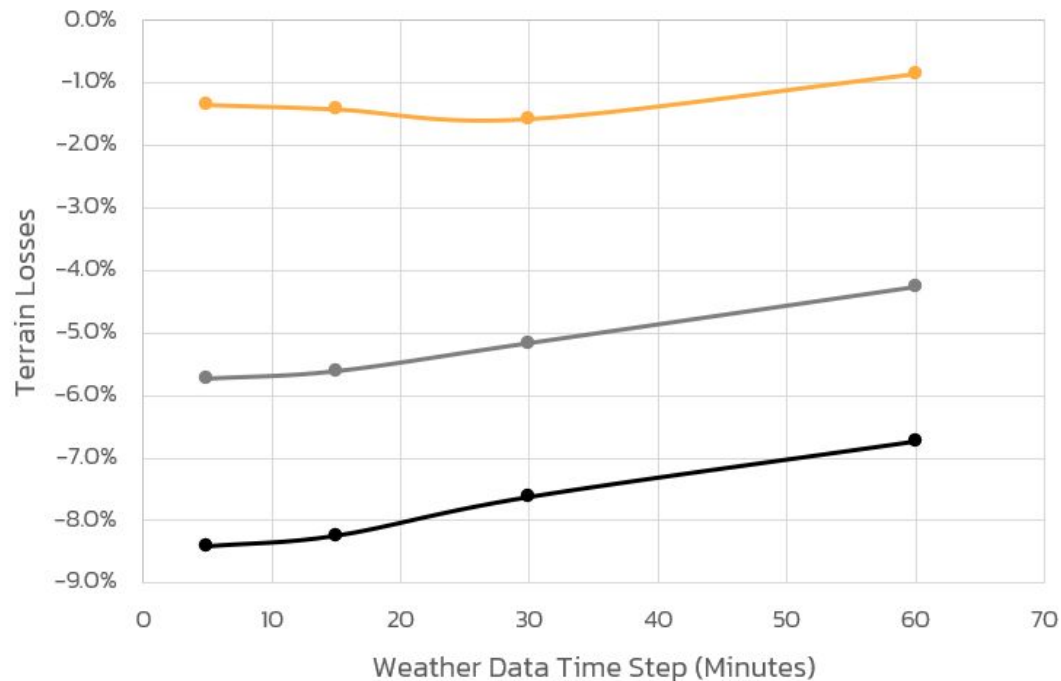
Results

Subhourly weather data allow
Terrain Aware tracking
simulations to minimize impact
to yield due to subhourly losses



Weather Data Time

Step (Minutes)	True Tracking	Backtracking	Terrain Aware	# of Terrain Aware Tracking Changes
60	-6.738%	-4.267%	-0.848%	394,194
30	-7.621%	-5.167%	-1.565%	798,029
15	-8.238%	-5.617%	-1.410%	1,590,611
5	-8.405%	-5.737%	-1.340%	4,631,874

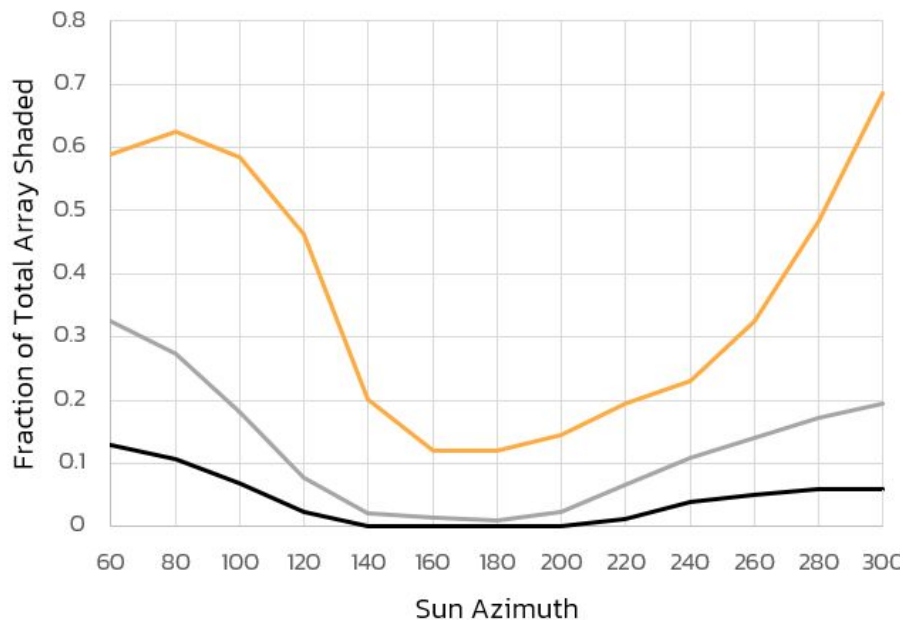




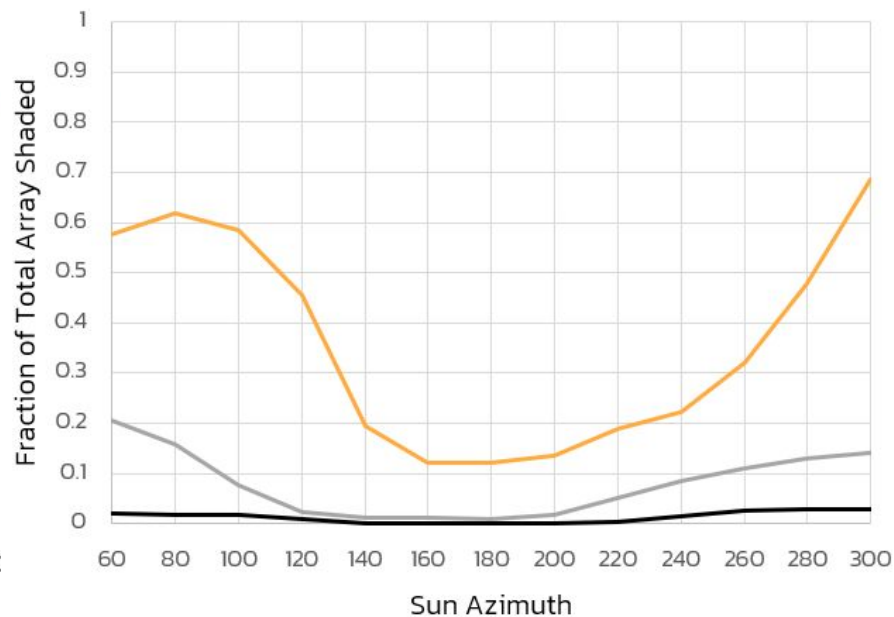
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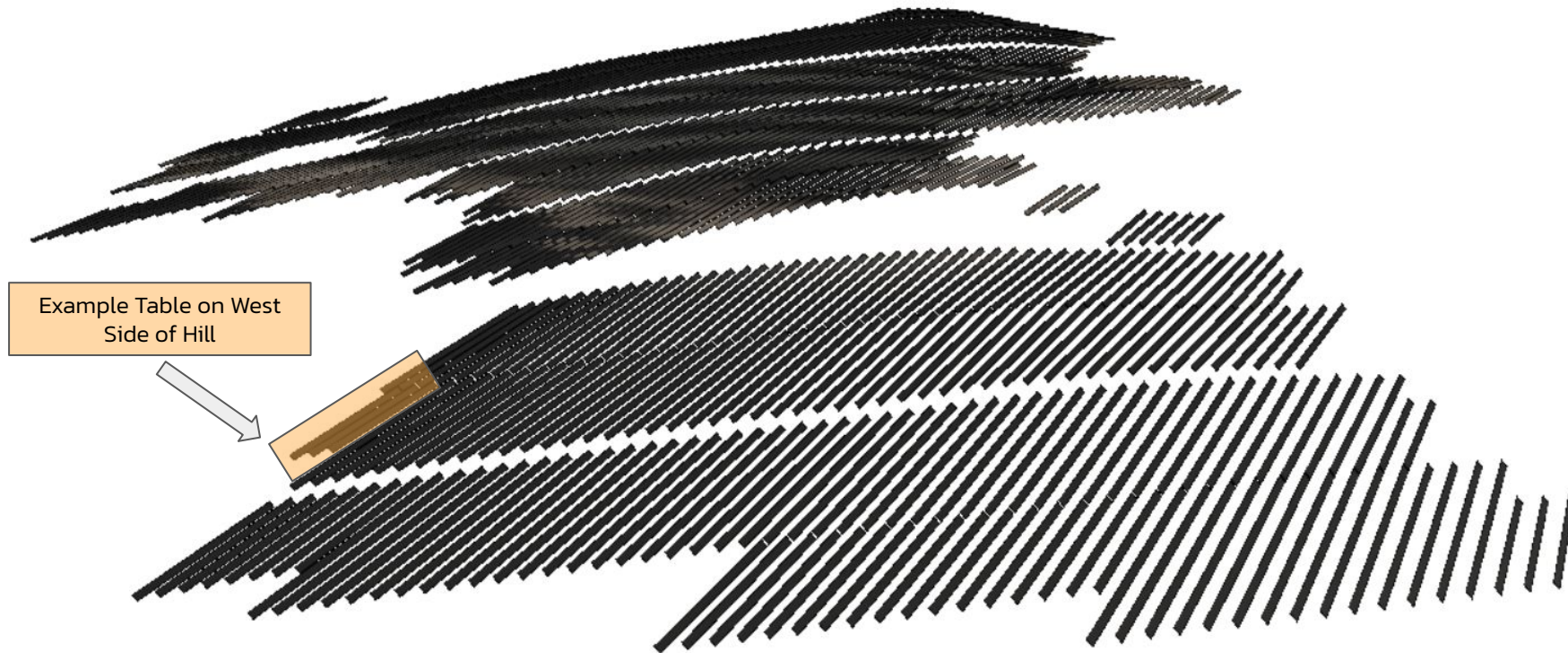
- 20 Deg Sun Elevation
- 10 Deg Sun Elevation
- 2 Deg Sun Elevation

Standard Backtracking



Terrain Aware

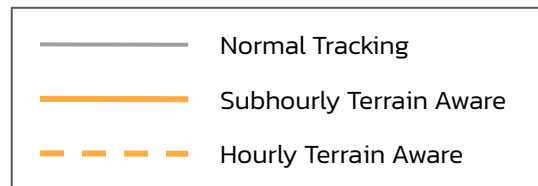




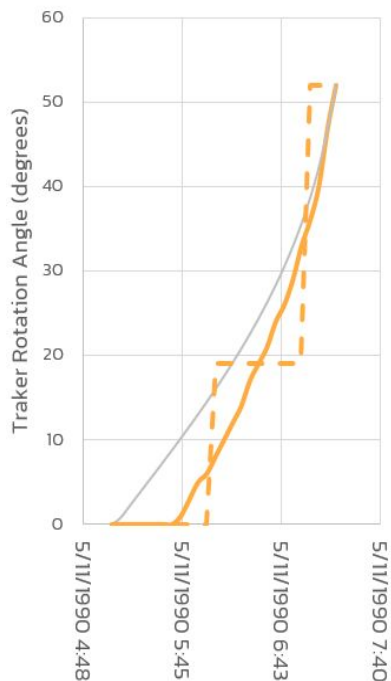
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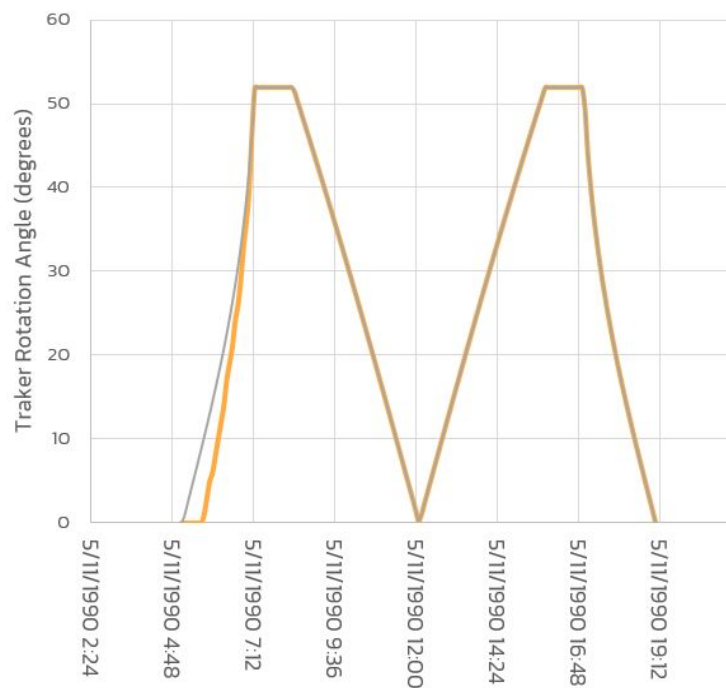
Tracking-Irradiance Comparison



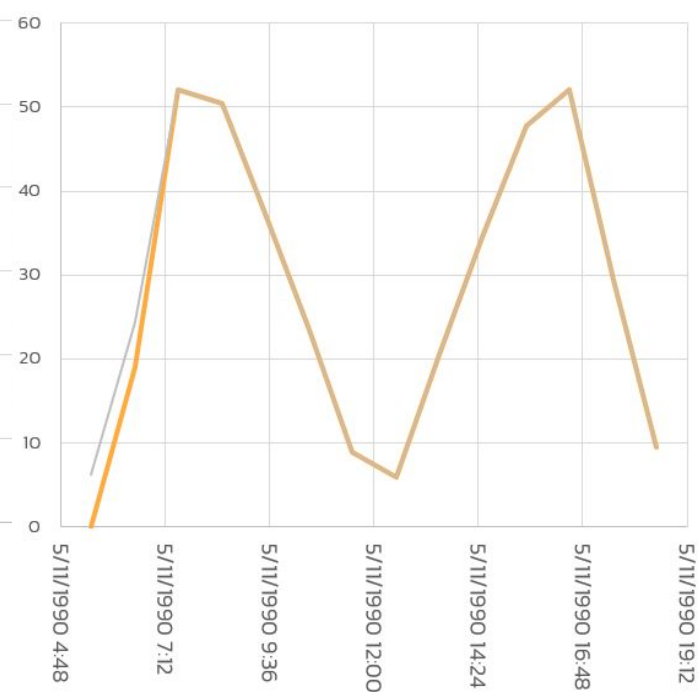
Focused Area



Subhourly Tracking

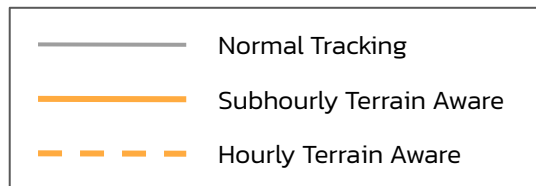


Hourly Tracking

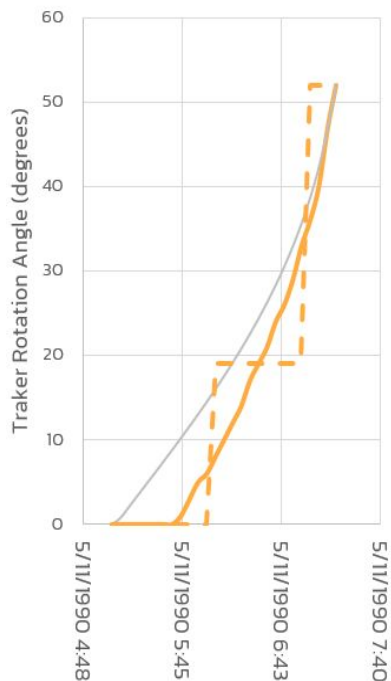




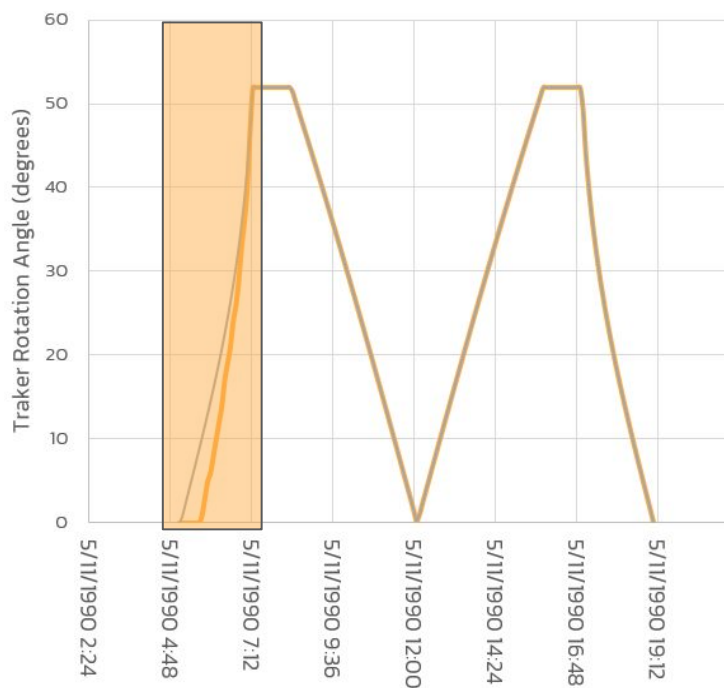
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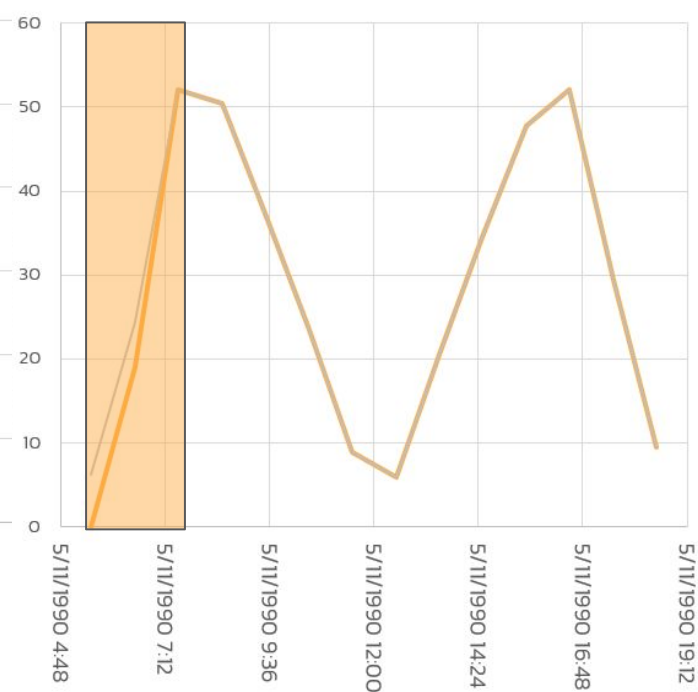
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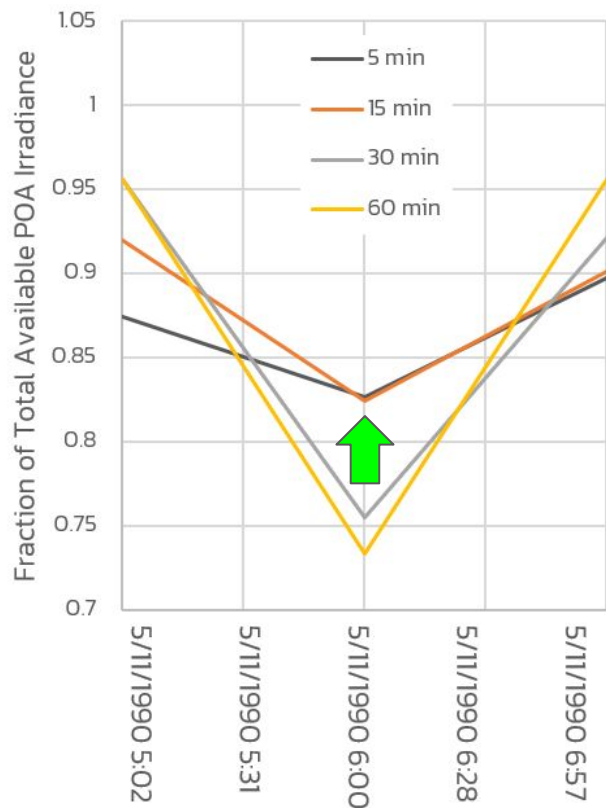


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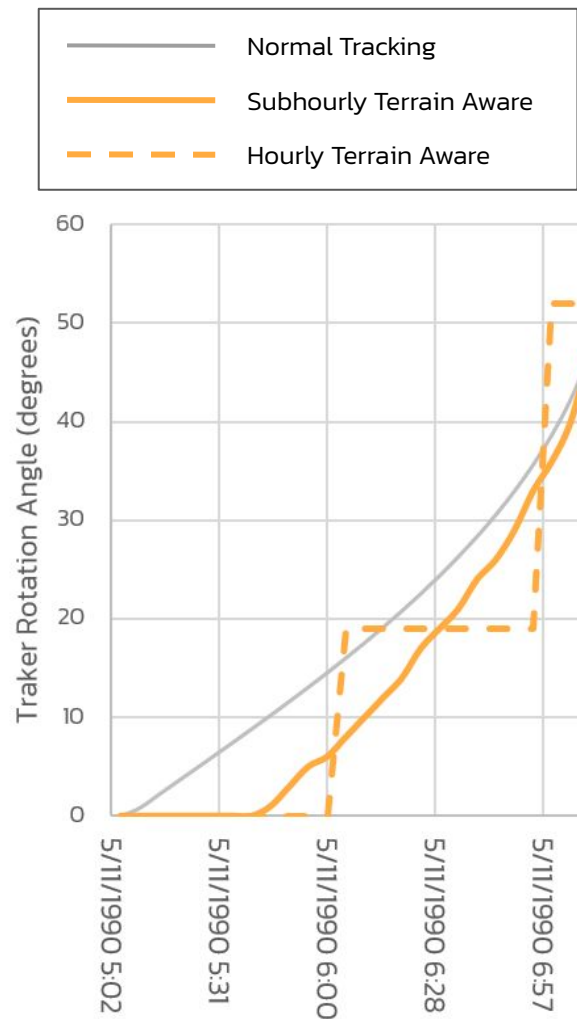




Tracking-Irradiance Comparison



Subhourly, specifically < 30min time step, simulations are able to capture more of the available irradiance over a given interval



Daly Overview



Software Offering



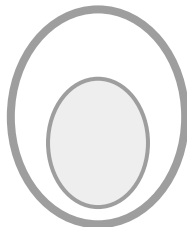
Web Interface

Collaborative workspaces designed to simplify and automate modeling work



API

Access entire platform through REST API for custom functionality and workflow automation



Third Party or Custom Software

Use Daly in other software platforms or integrate it directly into your in-house software and tools



Modeling Platform Overview

Daly Interface

Modeling Interface



One-Click Production Modeling



Automated Workflows



Cloud-Based Collaborative Workspaces



Integrate Into Any Process or Excel file



Automate Repetitive Processes



Accepted and Trusted Models



Terrain-Aware Single Axis Tracking Algorithm



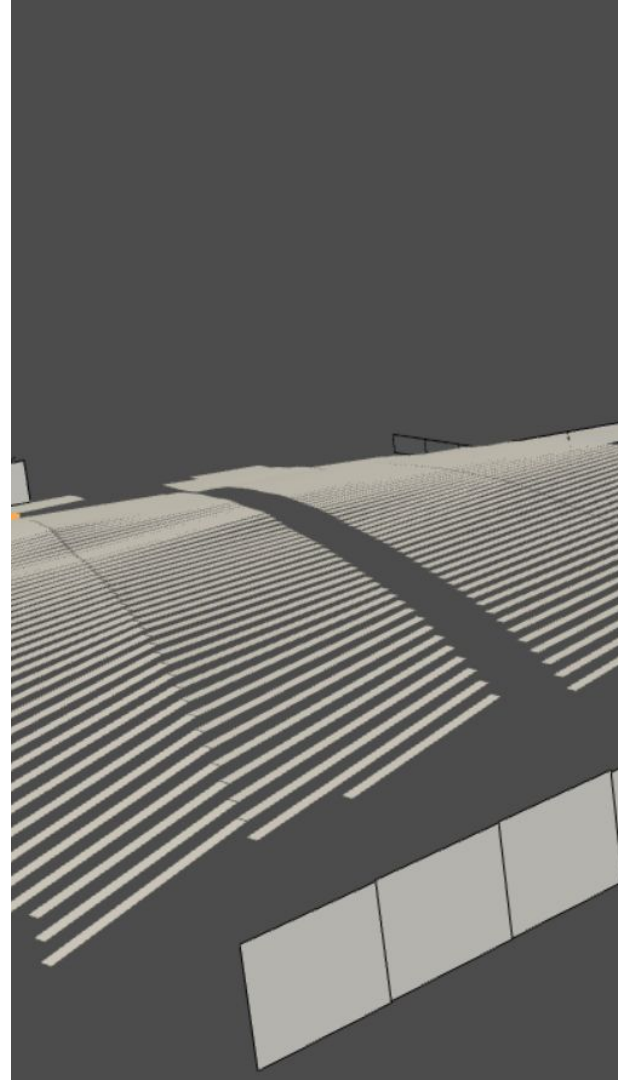
Model Electrical Architecture in 3D



Accepts .PVC, .SHD files and PVComplete Exports

Octavia

3D Near Shading API





Web Interface

NEWLY RELEASED

- ⚡ Segmented workspaces
- ⚡ Multi-blocks
- ⚡ Subhourly
- ⚡ PDF and Excel reports
- ⚡ Automated workflows
- ⚡ Automated weather import:

Vaisala

SolarAnywhere

NSRDB

Energy Model

- Locations
- Modules
- Inverters
- Shading Scene

New Energy Production Model

Simulation Name ①

Enter new simulation name

Workspace Locations Location 2 04/11/2023 3013 Esther Ln, Beardstown, IL 62618, USA

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BLOCK TYPE 1

BLOCK TYPE 2

BLOCK TYPE 3

General Inputs

Layout

Module mod2 Longi Solar LR6-72BP-375M-frame

Inverter inv1 Power Electronics FS3510MX_20190909_HEM_660Vac_V678_P

Array

AC Subsystem

EPM Input Summary

Simulation not complete

05/10/2023 Location 2

Block Type 1

DC SYSTEM:

Array Type: tracker

Module: LR6-72BP-375M-frame

Module Wattage: 375 W

String Length: 2

DC System Size: 1.5 kW

AC SYSTEM:

Inverter: FS3510MX_20190909_HEM_660Vac_V678_P

Inverter Nominal AC: 3,510 kW

String Count: 2

TOTAL PLANT

Number of Inverters: 5

Total DC System Size: 7.5 kW

Total AC System Size: 17,550 kW

Run Simulation



Up Next: Feature Releases Q2 2023

AOI Optimized Tracking

- ⚡ Accounting for AOI based losses in terrain aware tracking algorithm to optimize tracking schedules for center bus bar modules

Multi-Year Simulation

- ⚡ Multi-year/historical time series weather data import and yield modeling functionality
- ⚡ Can be run in place of typical year



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