

# MPPT Solar Charge Controller User Manual

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Tracer1206AN G3/Tracer1210AN G3

Tracer2206AN G3/Tracer2210AN G3

Tracer3210AN G3/Tracer4210AN G3



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# Important Safety Instructions

## Please keep this manual for future reference.

This manual contains the safety, installation, and operation instructions for the Tracer-AN G3 series MPPT solar charge controller (hereinafter referred to as "the controller").

- Read all the instructions and warnings carefully in the manual before installation.
- No user-serviceable components inside the controller. Do not disassemble or attempt to repair the controller.
- Mount the controller indoors. Avoid exposure to the components and do not allow water to enter the controller.
- Install the controller in a well-ventilated place. The controller's heat sink may become hot during operation.
- It is suggested to install appropriate external fast-acting fuses/breakers.
- Disconnect PV array connections and the battery's fast-acting fuse/breakers before controller installation and adjustment.
- Power connections must remain tight to avoid excessive heating from a loose connection.



**WARNING**

Do not install the controller in humid, high salt spray, corrosion, greasy, flammable, explosive, dust accumulative, or other severe environments.

# Disclaimers

## **The warranty does not apply to the following conditions:**

- Damage caused by improper use or inappropriate environment (such as the humid, high salt spray, corrosion, greasy, flammable, explosive, dust accumulative, or other severe environments).
- The actual current/voltage/power exceeds the limit value of the controller.
- Damage caused by working temperature exceeding the rated range.
- Arc, fire, explosion, and other accidents caused by failure to follow the controller stickers or manual instructions.
- Unauthorized dismantling or attempted repair.
- Damage caused by force majeure.
- Damage occurred during transportation or handling.

# 1 General Information

## 1.1 Overview

Tracer-AN G3 series controllers, based on a new design concept, adopt the solar charge controller as the main component. With optional 4G or Wi-Fi modules, the end-users read and write parameters by phone APP conveniently.

Adopting the advanced MPPT control algorithm, the Tracer-AN solar controller can minimize the maximum power point loss rate and time. It makes this product tracks the PV array's maximum power point and obtains maximum energy under any situation. Compared with the PWM charging method, MPPT solar controllers can increase the energy utilization ratio by 10%-30%. Charging current limit, charging power limit, and high temperature charging automatic power reduction fully ensure system stability when access to excess PV modules and high temperature running. Add a professional protection chip for the RS485 port, which further improves the reliability and meets the different application requirements.

The Tracer-AN series controller owns a self-adaptive three-stage charging mode based on a digital control circuit. It can effectively prolong the battery lifespan and significantly improve the system's performance. They are equipped with comprehensive electronic protections to ensure the solar system is more reliable and durable. This controller can be widely used for RV, household systems, field monitoring, and many other applications.

### Features:

- High quality and low failure rate components of ST or IR to ensure the service life
- Advanced MPPT technology, with Max. tracking efficiency higher than 99.5%.
- Advanced MPPT control algorithm to minimize the lost rate and lost time
- Accurate recognizing and tracking technology of multi-peaks maximum power point
- Wider MPP(maximum power point) running voltage to optimize PV utilization
- Maximum DC/DC conversion efficiency of 98%
- Support multi battery types including lithium batteries
- Equipped with a stable self-activation function for the lithium battery
- Set the battery voltage parameters on the LCD<sup>①</sup>
- Battery temperature compensation
- Limit the charging power & charging current to no higher than the rated value

- Real-time energy statistics function
- Charging power reduction automatically for over-temperature
- RS485 communication interface with optional 4G or Wi-Fi modules for remote monitoring
- Standard Modbus communication protocol based on the RS485 communication bus, extending the communication distance
- A power protection chip, which can provide 5VDC/200mA power and over-current, short-circuit protections, is adopted by the communication interface
- Setting parameters via the PC software, APP, or remote meter
- Constant voltage output function<sup>②</sup>
- Comprehensive electronic protections
- Multiple load work modes
- Low self-consumption, lower than 10 mA
- Operation at full load without charging power reduced in the working temperature range

**① For the Boost Charging Voltage (BCV), Float Charging Voltage (FCV), Low Voltage Disconnect Voltage (LVD), and Low Voltage Reconnect Voltage (LVR), users can modify them on the controller LCD when the battery type is "USE."**

**② To enable the constant voltage output function, ensure that the input power is higher than the output power. Suppose the input power is lower than the output power. In that case, the controller enters the ON-OFF state intermittently caused by the under-voltage protection.**

## 1.2 Characteristics

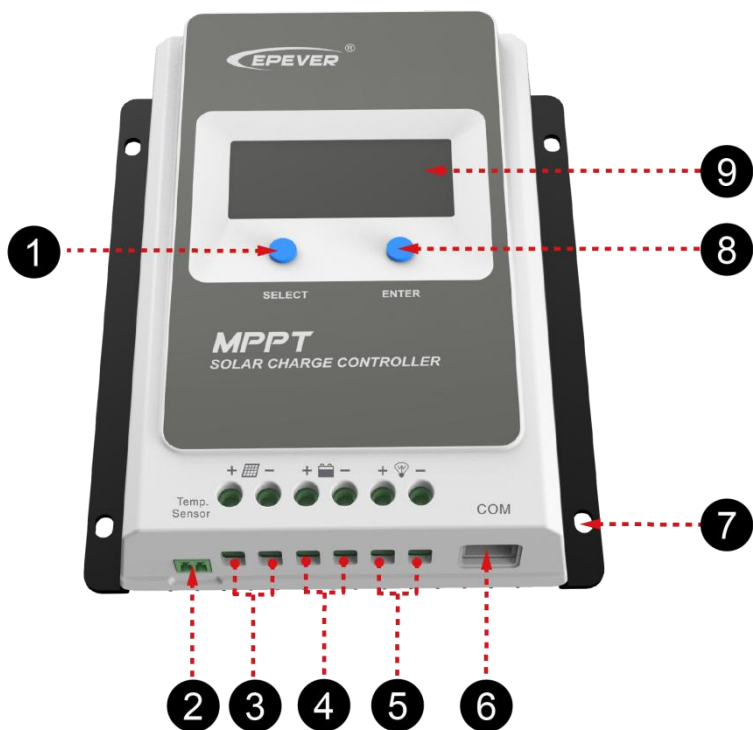


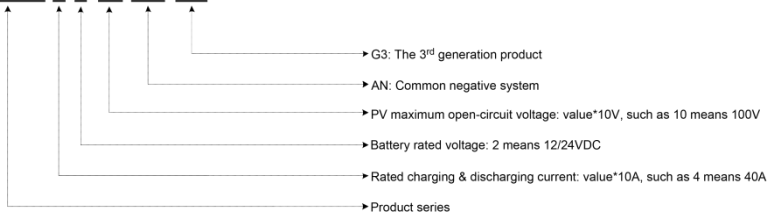
Figure 1-1 Product Characteristics

1	SELECT button	6	RS485 port (no isolation)
2	RTS interface	7	Mounting Hole 5mm
3	PV Terminals	8	ENTER button
4	Battery terminals	9	LCD
5	Load terminals		

★ Suppose the remote temperature sensor is not connected to the controller or damaged. In that case, the controller will charge or discharge the battery at the default temperature setting of 25 °C (no temperature compensation).

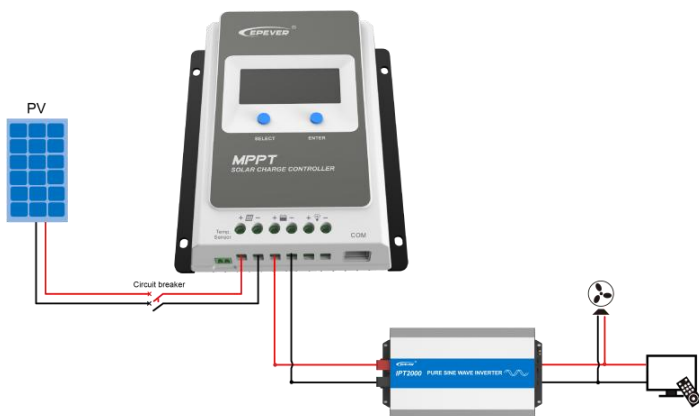
## 1.3 Naming rules

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## 1.4 Connection diagram

- **No-battery Mode**



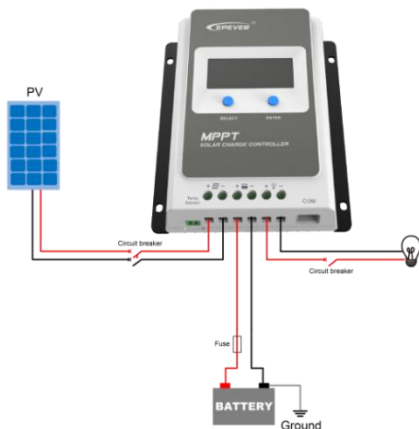
**WARNING**

When there is no battery, the Tracer-AN G3 series can be directly connected to the inverter. The inverter shall be connected to the battery terminals of the controller and meets the following conditions:

- 1) For high-frequency inverter:  $PV \text{ input power} > (\text{load output power} \div \text{inverter conversion efficiency} \div \text{controller conversion efficiency})$
- 2) For power frequency inverter:  $PV \text{ input power} > (\text{load output power} \div \text{inverter conversion efficiency} \div \text{controller conversion efficiency} \div 2)$



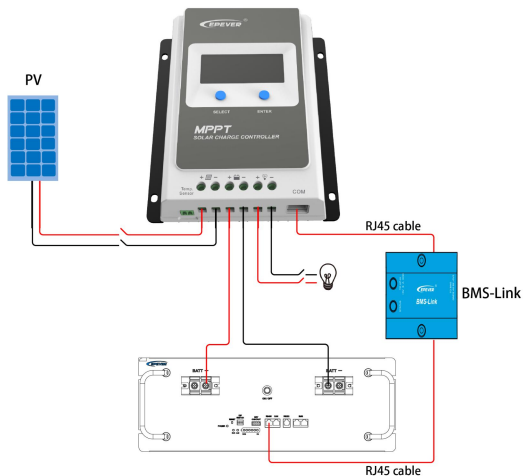
- **Battery Mode (not connect BMS-Link)**



**CAUTION**

- The cable length of the battery should not exceed 3 meters.
- The recommended cable length of the PV array should not exceed 3 meters. (Note: If the cable length of the PV array is less than 3 meters, the system meets EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements. If more than 3 meters, the system may not meet EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements).

- **Battery Mode (connect BMS-Link)**





#### CAUTION

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- The recommended cable length of the PV array should not exceed 3 meters (Note: If the cable length of the PV array is less than 3 meters, the system meets EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements. If more than 3 meters, the system may not meet EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements).

## 1.5 Maximum Power Point Tracking Technology

Due to the nonlinear characteristics of the solar array, there is a maximum energy output point (Maximum Power Point) on its curve. Traditional controllers, equipped with switch charging technology and PWM charging technology, cannot charge the battery at the maximum power point and cannot obtain the maximum energy available from the PV array. In contrast, the solar charge controller with Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) Technology can lock the point to obtain the maximum energy and deliver it to the battery.

Our company's MPPT algorithm continuously compares and adjusts the operating points to locate the array's maximum power point. The tracking process is fully automatic and does not need the user's adjustment.

As Figure 1-2, the curve is also the array's characteristic curve; the MPPT technology will 'boost' the battery charge current by tracking the MPP. Assuming 100% conversion efficiency exists in the solar system, the following formula is established:

$$\text{Input power (P}_{PV}\text{)} = \text{Output power (P}_{Bat}\text{)}$$



$$\text{Input voltage (V}_{MPP}\text{)} * \text{input current (I}_{PV}\text{)} = \text{Battery voltage (V}_{Bat}\text{)} * \text{battery current (I}_{Bat}\text{)}$$

Normally, the  $V_{MPP}$  is always higher than  $V_{Bat}$ . Due to the principle of energy conservation, the  $I_{Bat}$  is always higher than  $I_{PV}$ . The greater the difference between  $V_{MPP}$  &  $V_{Bat}$ , the greater the difference between  $I_{PV}$  &  $I_{Bat}$ . The greater the difference between the array and the battery will also decrease the system conversion efficiency. Therefore, the controller's conversion efficiency is particularly important in the PV system.

Figure 1-2 is the maximum power point curve, whose shaded area is the traditional solar charge controller (PWM Charging Mode). It is known that the MPPT mode can improve solar PV usage. According to the test, the MPPT controller can raise 20%-30% efficiency compared to the PWM controller. (Specified value may fluctuate due to the circumstance's influence and energy loss.)

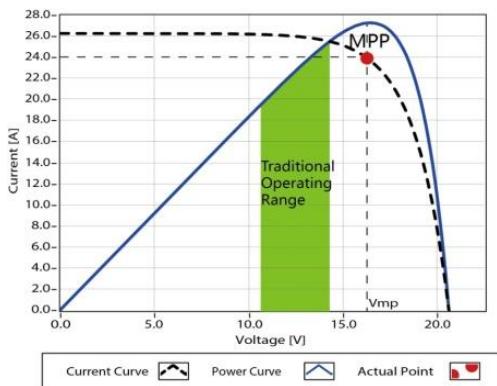


Figure 1-2 Maximum Power Point Tracking Technology

In actual application, the panel may appear Multi-MPP as shading from cloud, tree, and snow. However, in actuality, there is only one real Maximum Power Point. As the Figure 1-3 show:

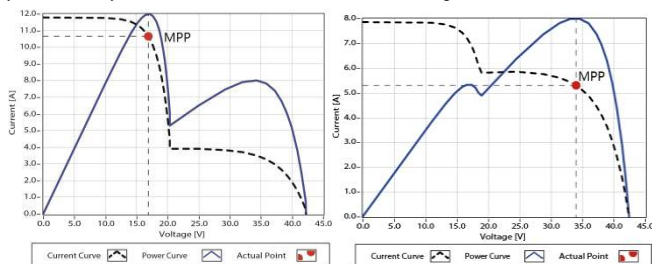


Figure 1-3 Mutil-MPP Curve

Suppose the program works improperly after appearing Multi-MPP. In that case, the system will not work on the real max power point, which may waste most solar energy resources and seriously affect the system's normal operation. The typical MPPT algorithm, designed by our company, can track the real MPP quickly and accurately. It can improve the PV array's utilization rate and avoid resource waste.

## 1.6 Battery charging stage

The controller has a three-stage battery charging algorithm, including Bulk Charging, Constant Charging, and Float Charging. The system can extend the battery's lifespan through the three-stage charging method.

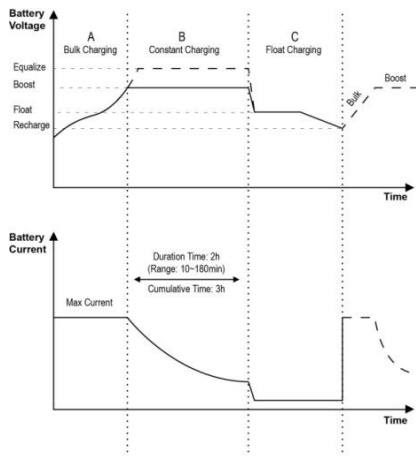


Figure 1-4 Battery charging stage curve

#### A) Bulk Charging

The battery voltage has not yet reached constant voltage (Equalize or Boost Charging Voltage). The controller operates in constant current mode, delivering its maximum current to the batteries (MPPT Charging). When the battery voltage reaches the constant voltage set point, the controller will start to operate in constant charging mode.

#### B) Constant Charging

When the battery voltage reaches the constant voltage set point, the controller will start to operate in constant charging mode. The MPPT charging stops during this process, and the charging current will drop gradually simultaneously. Constant charging has two stages, namely, equalize charging and boost charging. These two charging processes are not repeated. Among them, equalized charging starts on the 28th of each month.

##### ➤ Boost Charging


The default duration of the boost charging stage is generally 2 hours. Customers can adjust the constant time and preset value according to actual needs. The system will switch to the float charging stage when the duration is equal to the set value.

##### ➤ Equalize Charging




**WARNING**

Explosion hazard! Equalizing FLD batteries would produce explosive gases, so well ventilation of the battery box is recommended.

 <b>CAUTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equipment damage!</li> <li>• Equalization may increase battery voltage to the level that damages sensitive DC loads. Verify that the load's allowable input voltages are greater than the equalize charging voltage.</li> <li>• Over-charging and excessive gas precipitation may damage the battery plates and activate material shedding on them. Too high an equalized charging or for too long may cause damage. Please carefully review the specific requirements of the battery used in the system.</li> </ul>
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Some battery types benefit from equalizing charging, stirring electrolytes, balancing battery voltage, and accomplishing chemical reactions. Equalize charging increases the battery voltage to make it higher than the standard complement voltage, gasifying the battery electrolyte.

If the controller automatically controls the next charge for equalizing charging, the equalizing charging time is 120 minutes. Equalize and boost charges are not carried out constantly in a full charge process to avoid too much gas precipitation or overheating of the battery.

 <b>IMPORTANT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to the installation environment or load work, the system may not stabilize the battery voltage at a constant voltage. The controller will accumulate the time when the battery voltage is equal to the set value. When the accumulative time is equal to 3 hours, the system will automatically switch to float charging.</li> <li>• If the controller time is not adjusted, the controller will equalize charging following the inner time.</li> </ul>
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### C) Float Charging

After the constant charging stage, the controller will reduce the battery voltage to the float charging preset voltage by reducing the charging current. During the floating charge stage, the battery is charged weakly to ensure that the battery is maintained in a fully charged state. In the float charging stage, loads can obtain almost all power from the solar panel. Suppose loads' power exceeds the solar array's power. In that case, the controller will no longer maintain the battery voltage in the float charging stage. When the battery voltage goes lower than the boost voltage reconnect voltage, the system will exit the float charging stage and enter the bulk charging stage again.

## 2 Installation Instructions

### 2.1 Installation precautions

- Please read the instructions to familiarize yourself with the installation steps before installation.
- Do not install the controller in humid, high salt spray, corrosion, greasy, flammable, explosive, dust accumulative, or other severe environments.
- Be careful when installing the batteries. Please wear eye protection when installing the open-type lead-acid battery and rinse with clean water in time for battery acid contact.
- Keep the battery away from any metal objects, which may cause a short circuit of the battery.
- Acid gas may be generated when the battery is charged. Confirm that the surrounding environment is well ventilated.
- Avoid direct sunlight and rain infiltration when installing it outdoor.
- Loose power connectors and corroded wires may produce high heat that can melt wire insulation, burn surrounding materials, or even cause a fire. Ensure tight connections and secure cables with cable clamps to prevent them from swaying in moving applications.
- Only charge the lead-acid and lithium-ion batteries within the control range of this controller.
- The battery connector may be wired to another battery or a bank of batteries. The following instructions refer to a singular battery. Still, it is implied that the battery connection can be made to either one battery or a group of batteries in a battery bank.
- Select the system cables according to  $5A/mm^2$  or less current density.
- The wire size of the grounding wire should not be less than  $4mm^2$ .
- The torque of tightening the wiring screw should not be less than 1.2 N.m.

### 2.2 Requirements for the PV array

#### Serial connection (string) of PV modules

As the core component of the solar system, the controller needs to suit various types of PV modules and maximize solar energy conversion into electricity. According to the open-circuit voltage ( $V_{OC}$ ) and the maximum power point voltage ( $V_{MPP}$ ) of the MPPT controller, the serial connection of PV modules suitable for different controllers can be calculated. The below table is for reference only.

**Tracer1206/2206AN G3:**

System voltage	36cell Voc < 23V		48cell Voc < 31V		54cell Voc < 34V		60cell Voc < 38V	
	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	Max.	Best
12V	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
24V	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

System voltage	72cell Voc < 46V		96cell Voc < 62V		Thin-Film module Voc > 80V
	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	
12V	1	1	-	-	-
24V	1	1	-	-	-


**IMPORTANT**

The above parameters are calculated under the STC (Standard Test Condition)--module temperature 25°C, air mass 1.5, irradiance 1,000W/m2.)

**Tracer1210/2210/3210/4210AN G3:**

System voltage	36cell Voc < 23V		48cell Voc < 31V		54cell Voc < 34V		60cell Voc < 38V	
	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	Max.	Best
12V	4	2	2	1	2	1	2	1
24V	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	2

System voltage	72cell Voc < 46V		96cell Voc < 62V		Thin-Film module Voc > 80V
	Max.	Best	Max.	Best	
12V	2	1	1	1	1
24V	2	1	1	1	1


**IMPORTANT**

The above parameters are calculated under the STC (Standard Test Condition)--module temperature 25°C, air mass 1.5, irradiance 1,000W/m2.)


## 2.3 Wire size

The wiring and installation methods conform to the national and local electrical code requirements.

### ➤ PV wire size

The PV array's output current varies with size, connection method, and sunlight angle. Its ISC (short circuit current) can calculate the minimum wire size. Please refer to the ISC value in the PV module's specifications. When the PV modules are connected in series, the total ISC equals any PV module's ISC. When the PV modules are connected in parallel, the total ISC equals the sum of the PV module's ISC. The PV array's ISC must not exceed the controller's maximum PV input current. For max. PV input current and max. PV wire size, please refer to the table below:

Model	Max. PV input current	Max. PV wire size*	Circuit breaker
Tracer1206/1210AN G3	10A	4mm <sup>2</sup> /12AWG	16A/125V/2P
Tracer2206/2210AN G3	20A	6mm <sup>2</sup> /10AWG	32A/125V/2P
Tracer3210AN G3	30A	10mm <sup>2</sup> /8AWG	40A/125V/2P
Tracer4210AN G3	40A	16mm <sup>2</sup> /6AWG	63A/125V/2P


 <b>IMPORTANT</b>	<p>The total voltage must not exceed the PV maximum open-circuit voltage when the PV modules are connected in series. The PV maximum open-circuit voltage is 46V (Tracer**06AN G3) or 92V (Tracer**10AN G3) at 25°C environment temperature.</p>
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### ➤ Battery and Load Wire Size



The battery and load wire size conform to the rated current, and the reference size as below:

Model	Rated charge current	Rated discharge current	Battery wire size	Load wire size	Circuit breaker
Tracer1206/1210AN G3	10A	10A	4mm <sup>2</sup> /12 AWG	4mm <sup>2</sup> /12 AWG	16A/125V/2 P
Tracer2206/2210AN G3	20A	20A	6mm <sup>2</sup> /10 AWG	6mm <sup>2</sup> /10 AWG	32A/125V/2 P
Tracer3210AN G3	30A	30A	10mm <sup>2</sup> /8 AWG	10mm <sup>2</sup> /8 AWG	40A/125V/2 P
Tracer4210AN G3	40A	40A	16mm <sup>2</sup> /6 AWG	16mm <sup>2</sup> /6 AWG	63A/125V/2 P



 <b>CAUTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The wire size is only for reference. Suppose there is a long distance between the PV array and the controller or between the controller and the battery. In that case, larger wires can be used to reduce the voltage drop and improve performance.</li> <li>• The recommended wire is selected for the battery according to the conditions that its terminals are not connected to any additional inverter.</li> </ul>
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## 2.4 Mounting

 <b>WARNING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explosion hazard! Never install the controller in a sealed enclosure with FLD batteries! Do not install the controller in a confined area where battery gas can accumulate.</li> <li>• Electric shock hazard! The PV array may generate a high open-circuit voltage when wiring the PV modules. Disconnect the breaker or fast-acting fuse first, and be careful when wiring.</li> </ul>
 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>The controller requires at least 150mm of clearance above and below for proper airflow. Ventilation is highly recommended if mounted in an enclosure.</p>

### Installation steps:

#### Step 1: Determine the installation location and heat-dissipation space

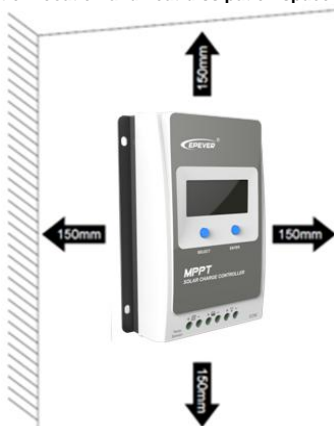





Figure2-1 Mounting

**Step 2:** Connect the system in the order of battery  -- load  --PV array  following Figure 2-2, " Schematic Wiring Diagram, " and disconnect the system in the reverse order.

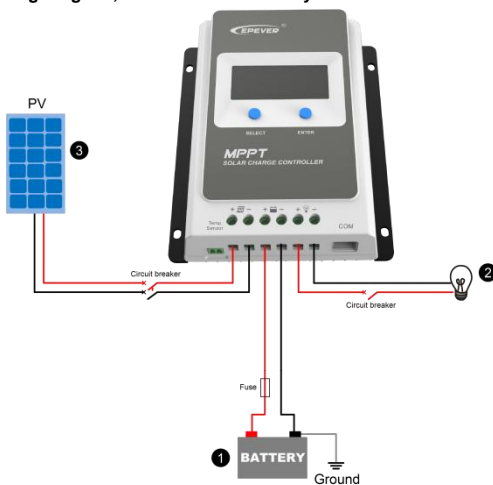


Figure 2-2 Schematic Wiring Diagram




**CAUTION**

- Please do not connect the circuit breaker or fast-acting fuse during the wiring and ensure that the electrode polarity is correctly connected.
- A fast-acting fuse whose current is 1.25 to 2 times the controller's rated current must be installed on the battery side with a distance from the battery no longer than 150mm.
- The cable length of the battery should not exceed 3 meters.
- The recommended cable length of the PV array should not exceed 3 meters (Note: If the cable length of the PV array is less than 3 meters, the system meets EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements. If more than 3 meters, the system may not meet EN/IEC61000-6-3 requirements).
- Suppose the controller is to be used in an area with frequent lightning strikes or an unattended area. In that case, it must install an external surge arrester.
- If an inverter is to be connected to the system, connect the inverter directly to the battery, not to the load side of the controller.

**Step 3: Grounding**



Tracer-AN G3 series are common-negative controllers. Negative terminals of the PV array, the battery, and the load can be grounded simultaneously, or any negative terminal is grounded. However, according


to the practical application, the negative terminals of the PV array, battery, and load can also be ungrounded. However, the grounding terminal on its shell must be grounded. It shields electromagnetic interference and avoids electric shock to the human body.

 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>It is recommended to use a common-negative controller for common-negative systems, such as the RV system. The controller may be damaged if a common-positive controller is used and the positive electrode is grounded in the common-negative system.</p>
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#### Step 4: Connect accessories


- **Connect the temperature sensor**

Included Accessory	Connect the temperature sensor	Model: RT-MF58R47K3.81A	
Optional Accessory	Remote temperature sensor	Model: RTS300R47K3.81A	

 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>Suppose the remote temperature sensor is not connected to the controller or is damaged. In that case, the controller will charge or discharge the battery at the default 25 °C (no temperature compensation).</p>
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- **Connect the accessories for RS485 communication**

Refer to [3.3 "Setting."](#)

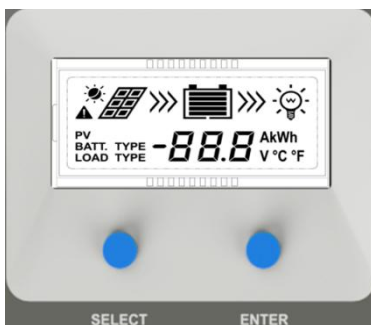
 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>The internal circuit of the RS485 port has no isolation design. Connecting an RS485 communication isolator to the port is recommended before communicating.</p>
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#### Step 5: Power on the controller

Connect the battery fast-acting fuse to power the controller. Check the battery indicator status (the controller operates normally when the indicator is lit green). Connect the fast-acting fuse and circuit breaker of the load and PV array. Then the system will be operating in preprogrammed mode.

 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>If the controller is not operating properly or the battery indicator shows an abnormality, please refer to 4.2 "Troubleshooting."</p>
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## 3 LCD



### IMPORTANT

The display screen can be viewed clearly when the angle between the end-user's horizontal sight and the display screen is within 90°. If the angle exceeds 90°, the information on the display screen cannot be viewed clearly.







### 3.1 Buttons

Mode	Note
Load ON/OFF	It can turn the load On/Off via the <b>ENTER</b> button in manual load mode.
Clear fault	Press the <b>ENTER</b> button.
Browsing mode	Press the <b>SELECT</b> button.
Setting mode	Press the <b>ENTER</b> button and hold on 5s to enter the setting mode. Press the <b>SELECT</b> button to set the parameters. Press the <b>ENTER</b> button to confirm the setting parameters or no operation for 10s. It will exit the setting interface automatically.









### 3.2 Interface

#### 1) Status Description

Name	Icon	Status
PV		Day
		Night

	 	No charge
		Charging
	<b>PV</b>	PV array's voltage, current, and generate energy
BATT.		Battery capacity, In charging
	<b>BATT.</b>	Battery Voltage, Current, Temperature
	<b>BATT. TYPE</b>	Battery type
LOAD		Load ON
		Load OFF
	<b>LOAD</b>	Current/Consumed energy/Load mode

## 2) Error codes

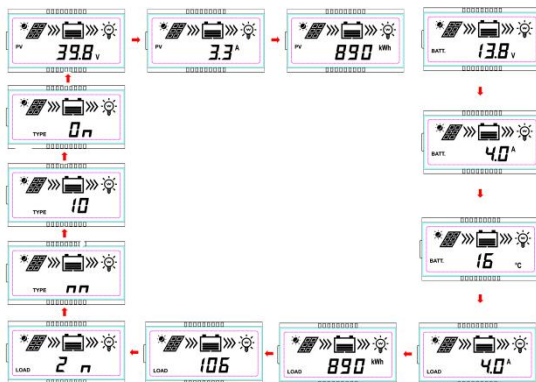
Status	Icon	Instruction
Battery over-discharged	 	Battery level shows empty, battery frame blink, fault icon blink
Battery overvoltage	 	Battery level shows full, battery frame blink, fault icon blink
Battery overheating	 	Battery level shows current value, battery frame blink, fault icon blink
Load failure	 	Overload <sup>B</sup> , Load short circuit

① When the load current reaches 1.02-1.05 times, 1.05-1.25 times, 1.25-1.35 times, and 1.35-1.5 times more than the rated value, the controller will automatically turn off the loads in 50s, 30s, 10s, and 2s respectively.

## 3) Browse interface

Press the **SELECT** button to cycle display the following interfaces.

- Master communication interface:



- Slave communication interface



### 3.3 Setting

#### 3.3.1 Master and slave modes

The master mode is used for BMS communication; the slave mode is used for RS485 communication and in such mode, battery parameters can be set remotely via PC host computer software or APP software. See “3.3.5 Battery type-3.Remote set the battery parameters” for details. The master and slave modes are switched as follows:

Press the **SELECT** button to switch to the first **TYPE** interface; press the **ENTER** button and the value will flash; press the **SELECT** button to switch the mode ("nn" indicates master communication mode, and "S" indicates slave communication mode); press the **ENTER** button to confirm selection.

### 3.3.2 BMS protocol number

When using the lithium batteries with BMS function, after the controller is connected to BMS-Link module and lithium batteries, by setting the BMS protocol number, BMS protocols of different lithium battery manufactures can be converted into our standard protocols by BMS-Link module so as to realize the communication between the controller and lithium battery BMS of different manufacturers. The BMS protocol number of different lithium batteries can be found on the websites of corresponding companies. Normal communication can only be achieved after the protocol number is properly set. The protocol number is set as follows:

In the master mode (the first **TYPE** interface displays "nn"), press the **SELECT** button to switch to the second **TYPE** interface; press the **ENTER** button to switch to the BMS protocol number (default 01, scope: 0-231); press the **SELECT** button to confirm selection.

After the controller reads the BMS detection:

- Make the charging/discharging switch logic control based on BMS detection.
- Upon reading the available BMS protection voltage, the actual working voltage can be predicted according to the logical relationship, which can be set in the device at that time, but it will not be actually executed; upon the disconnection or invalidity of BMS, the device can work based on the set voltage.
- After reading the available BMS current limit, current limit charging can be conducted in accordance with BMS current limit and the originally set current limit (whichever is the smaller).

### 3.3.3 Clear the generated energy

**Step 1:** Press the **ENTER** button and hold 5s under the PV-generated energy interface, and the value will flash.

**Step 2:** Press the **ENTER** button to clear the generated energy.

### 3.3.4 Switch the battery temperature unit

Press the button and hold for 5s under the battery temperature interface to switch the temperature unit.

### 3.3.5 Battery type

#### 1. Supported battery types

1	Battery	Sealed (default)
		Gel
		FLD
2	Lithium battery	LiFePO4 (4S/12V; 8S/24V)
		Li(NiCoMn)O2 (3S/12V; 6S/24V; 7S/24V)
3	User	

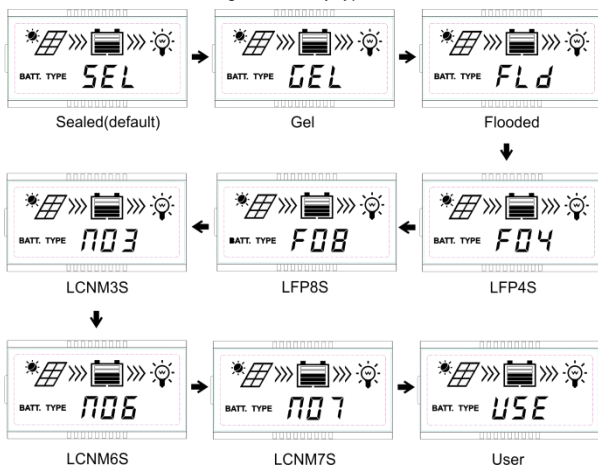
## 2. Local set the battery type

### Operation:

**Step 1:** Press the **SELECT** button to jump to the battery voltage interface.

**Step 2:** Press and hold the **ENTER** button until the battery-type interface flashes.

**Step 3:** Press the **SELECT** button to change the battery type, shown below:



**Step 4:** Press the **ENTER** button to confirm.

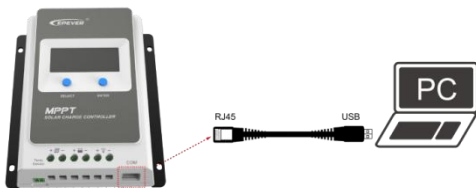
## 3. Remote set the battery parameters

Before setting the battery parameters, the communication mode should be set as the slave mode.

### 1) Setting the battery parameters by PC software

Connect the controller's RJ45 port to the PC's USB interface via a USB to RS485 cable. When selecting the battery type as "USE," set the voltage parameters by the PC software.





## 2) Setting the battery parameters by APP

- Via an external WiFi 2.4G adapter

Connect the controller to an external WiFi 2.4G adapter by the RS485 communication port. End-users can set the voltage parameters by the APP after selecting the battery type as "USE." Refer to the cloud APP manual for details.



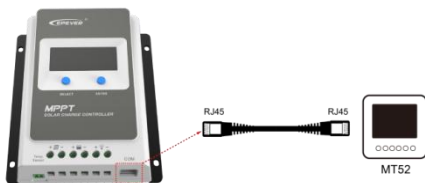
- Via an external Bluetooth adapter

Connect the controller to an external Bluetooth adapter by the RS485 communication port. End-users can set the voltage parameters by the APP after selecting the battery type as "USE." Refer to the cloud APP manual for details.



## 3) Setting the battery parameters by MT52

Connect the controller to the remote meter (MT52) through a standard network cable. After selecting the battery type as "USE," set the voltage parameters by the MT52. Refer to the MT52 manual or after-sales engineer for details.



#### 4. Local set the battery parameters

##### Operation:

**Step 1:** Press and hold the ENTER button to enter the battery type interface on the battery voltage interface.

**Step 2:** Press the **SELECT** button to change the battery type, such as selecting the "GEL," and then press the **ENTER** button to confirm and go back to the battery voltage interface automatically.

**Step 3:** On the battery voltage interface, press and hold the **ENTER** button to enter the battery type interface again.

**Step 4:** Press the **SELECT** button to change the battery type to the "USE." Under the "USE" battery type, the battery parameters can be set via the LCD.

Parameters	Default	Range	Operation Steps
System voltage level (SYS)★	12VDC	12/24 VDC	1) Under the "USE" interface, press the <b>ENTER</b> button to enter the "SYS" interface. 2) Press the <b>ENTER</b> button again to display the current "SYS" value. 3) Press the <b>SELECT</b> button to modify the parameter. 4) Press the <b>ENTER</b> button to confirm and enter the next parameter.
Boost charging voltage (BCV)	14.4V	9-17V	5) Press the <b>ENTER</b> button again to display the current-voltage value. 6) Press the <b>SELECT</b> button to modify the parameter (short press to increase 0.1V, long press to decrease 0.1V). 7) Press the <b>ENTER</b> button to confirm and enter the next parameter.
Float charging voltage (FCV)	13.8V	9-17V	
Low voltage reconnect voltage (LVR)	12.6V	9-17V	
Low voltage disconnect voltage (LVD)	11.1V	9-17V	
Lithium battery protection enable (LEN)	NO	YES/NO	Press the <b>SELECT</b> button to modify the switch status.  <b>Note:</b> It exists automatically from the current interface after no operation of more than 10s.

★ The SYS value can only be modified under the non-lithium "USE" type. If the battery type is Sealed, Gel, FLD before entering the "USE" type, the SYS value can be modified. The SYS value cannot be modified if it is a lithium battery type before entering the "USE" type.

Only the above battery parameters can be set on the local controller. The remaining battery parameters follow the following logic (the voltage level of the 12V system is 1, and the voltage level of the 24V system is 2).

Battery type Battery parameters	Sealed/Gel/FLD User	LiFePO4 User	Li(NiCoMn)O2 User
Overvoltage disconnect voltage	BCV + 1.4V * voltage level	BCV + 0.3V * voltage level	BCV + 0.3V * voltage level
Charging limit voltage	BCV + 0.6V * voltage level	BCV + 0.1V * voltage level	BCV + 0.1V * voltage level
Overvoltage reconnect voltage	BCV + 0.6V * voltage level	BCV + 0.1V * voltage level	Boost charging voltage
Equalize charging voltage	BCV + 0.2V * voltage level	Boost charging voltage	Boost charging voltage
Boost reconnect charging voltage	FCV - 0.6V * voltage level	FCV - 0.6V * voltage level	FCV - 0.1V * voltage level
Undervoltage warning reconnect voltage	UVW + 0.2V * voltage level	UVW + 0.2V * voltage level	UVW + 1.7V * voltage level
Undervoltage warning voltage	LVD + 0.9V * voltage level	LVD + 0.9V * voltage level	LVD + 1.2V * voltage level
Discharging limit voltage	LVD - 0.5V * voltage level	LVD - 0.1V * voltage level	LVD - 0.1V * voltage level

## 5. Battery voltage parameters

Measure the parameters in the condition of 12V/25 °C. Please double the values in the 24V system.

Battery type Battery parameters	Sealed	GEL	FLD	User
Overvoltage disconnect voltage	16.0V	16.0V	16.0V	9-17V
Charging limit voltage	15.0V	15.0V	15.0V	9-15.5V
Overvoltage reconnect voltage	15.0V	15.0V	15.0V	9-15.5V

Equalize charging voltage	14.6V	--	14.8V	9-15.5V
Boost charging voltage	14.4V	14.2V	14.6V	9-15.5V
Float charging voltage	13.8V	13.8V	13.8V	9-15.5V
Boost reconnect charging voltage	13.2V	13.2V	13.2V	9-15.5V
Low voltage reconnect voltage	12.6V	12.6V	12.6V	9-15.5V
Undervoltage warning reconnect voltage	12.2V	12.2V	12.2V	9-15.5V
Undervoltage warning voltage	12.0V	12.0V	12.0V	9-15.5V
Low voltage disconnect voltage	11.1V	11.1V	11.1V	9-15.5V
Discharging limit voltage	10.6V	10.6V	10.6V	9-15.5V
Equalize Duration	120 minutes	--	120 minutes	0-180 minutes
Boost Duration	120 minutes	120 minutes	120 minutes	10-180 minutes

- When the battery type is set as lithium battery, the lithium battery protection is enabled automatically, and the default value of "Equalize Duration" and "Boost Duration" is changed to 10 minutes.
- When the battery type is set as Sealed, GEL, or FLD, the lithium battery protection is disabled, and the default value of "Equalize Duration" and "Boost Duration" is changed to 120 minutes.
- When the battery type is set as user defined, the lithium battery protection, "Equalize Duration" and "Boost Duration" maintain the parameter values of the previous battery type.



**CAUTION**

When the default battery type is selected, the battery voltage parameters cannot be modified. To change these parameters, select the "USE" type.

**When the battery type is "USE," the battery voltage parameters follow the following logic:**

- Overvoltage Disconnect Voltage > Charging Limit Voltage Equalize Charging Voltage Boost Charging Voltage Float Charging Voltage > Boost Reconnect Charging Voltage.
- Overvoltage Disconnect Voltage > Overvoltage Reconnect Voltage
- Low Voltage Reconnect Voltage > Low Voltage Disconnect Voltage Discharging Limit Voltage.
- Undervoltage Warning Reconnect Voltage > Undervoltage Warning Voltage Discharging Limit Voltage;
- Boost Reconnect Charging voltage > Low Voltage Reconnect Voltage.

## 6. Lithium battery voltage parameters

Battery type Battery parameters	LFP			
	LFP4S	User	LFP8S	User
Overvoltage disconnect voltage	14.5V	9-17V	29.0V	18-34V
Charging limit voltage	14.3V	9-15.5V	28.6V	18-31V
Overvoltage reconnect voltage	14.3V	9-15.5V	28.6V	18-31V
Equalize charging voltage	14.2V	9-15.5V	28.4V	18-31V
Boost charging voltage	14.2V	9-15.5V	28.4V	18-31V
Float charging voltage	13.3V	9-15.5V	26.6V	18-31V
Boost reconnect charging voltage	13.0V	9-15.5V	26.0V	18-31V
Low voltage reconnect voltage	12.8V	9-15.5V	25.6V	18-31V
Undervoltage warning reconnect voltage	12.2V	9-15.5V	24.4V	18-31V
Undervoltage warning voltage	12.0V	9-15.5V	24.0V	18-31V
Low voltage disconnect voltage	11.3V	9-15.5V	22.6V	18-31V
Discharging limit voltage	11.0V	9-15.5V	22.0V	18-31V

LFP4S is for the 12V system, and LFP8S is for the 24V system.


Battery type Battery parameters	LNCM				
	LNCM3S	User	LNCM6S	LNCM7S	User
Overvoltage disconnect voltage	12.8V	9-17V	25.6V	29.8V	18-34V
Charging limit voltage	12.6V	9-15.5V	25.2V	29.4V	18-31V
Overvoltage reconnect voltage	12.5V	9-15.5V	25.0V	29.1V	18-31V
Equalize charging voltage	12.5V	9-15.5V	25.0V	29.1V	18-31V
Boost charging voltage	12.5V	9-15.5V	25.0V	29.1V	18-31V
Float charging voltage	12.2V	9-15.5V	24.4V	28.4V	18-31V
Boost reconnect charging voltage	12.1V	9-15.5V	24.2V	28.2V	18-31V
Low voltage reconnect voltage	10.5V	9-15.5V	21.0V	24.5V	18-31V
Undervoltage warning reconnect voltage	12.2V	9-15.5V	24.4V	28.4V	18-31V

Undervoltage warning voltage	10.5V	9-15.5V	21.0V	24.5V	18-31V
Low voltage disconnect voltage	9.3V	9-15.5V	18.6V	21.7V	18-31V
Discharging limit voltage	9.3V	9-15.5V	18.6V	21.7V	18-31V

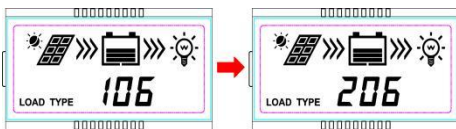
**LNCM3S is for the 12V system, LNCM6S and LNCM7S are for the 24V system.**

**When the battery type is "USE," the Lithium battery voltage parameters follow the following logic:**

- Overvoltage Disconnect Voltage > Overcharging Protection Voltage (Protection Circuit Modules(BMS)) + 0.2V;
- Overvoltage Disconnect Voltage > Overvoltage Reconnect Voltage = Charging Limit Voltage  
Equalize Charging Voltage = Boost Charging Voltage Float Charging Voltage > Boost Reconnect Charging Voltage;
- Low Voltage Reconnect Voltage > Low Voltage Disconnect Voltage Discharging Limit Voltage.
- Undervoltage Warning Reconnect Voltage > Undervoltage Warning Voltage Discharging Limit Voltage;
- Boost Reconnect Charging voltage > Low Voltage Reconnect Voltage;
- Low Voltage Disconnect Voltage Over-discharging Protection Voltage (BMS) + 0.2V

 <b>CAUTION</b>	<p>The required accuracy of BMS is no higher than 0.2V. We will not assume responsibility for the abnormal when the accuracy of BMS is higher than 0.2V.</p>
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### 3.3.6 Load modes



When the LCD shows the above interface, operate as follows:

**Operation:**

- Step 1:** Press the **SELECT** button to jump to the load type interface.
- Step 2:** Press and hold the **ENTER** button until the load type interface flashes.
- Step 3:** Press the **SELECT** button to modify the load type.
- Step 4:** Press the **ENTER** button to confirm.

## 1. Load mode list

1**	Timer 1	2**	Timer 2
100	Light ON/OFF	2 n	Disabled
101	The load will be on for 1 hour since sunset	201	The load will be on for 1 hour before sunrise
102	The load will be on for 2 hours since sunset	202	The load will be on for 2 hours before sunrise
103-113	The load will be on for 3 -13 hours since sunset	203-213	The load will be on for 3 -13 hours before sunrise
114	The load will be on for 14 hours since sunset	214	The load will be on for 14 hours before sunrise
115	The load will be on for 15 hours since sunset	215	The load will be on for 15 hours before sunrise
116	Test mode	2 n	Disabled
117	Manual mode(Default load ON)	2 n	Disabled
118	Always ON mode (The load always maintains the output state, and this mode is suitable for loads that require 24-hour power supply)		



### CAUTION




When selecting the load mode as the Light ON/OFF mode, Test mode, and Manual mode, only the Timer 1 can be set, and the Timer 2 is disabled and display "2 n".

## 2. Set load mode

Set the load modes by PC software, APP, or remote meter (MT52). For detailed connection diagrams and settings, refer to Subsection "[3.3.3 Battery type](#) > 3. Remote set the battery parameters."

## 4 Others

### 4.1 Protection




No.	Protections	Instruction
1	PV Overcurrent	When the actual PV array's charging current or power is higher than the controller's rated charging current or power, the controller will charge the battery per the rated current or power.
2	PV short-circuit protection	Not in the PV charging state, the controller will not be damaged when the PV array is short-circuited.  <b>WARNING:</b> It is forbidden to short-circuit the PV array during charging. Otherwise, the controller may be damaged.
3	PV reverse polarity protection	When the PV array's polarity is reversed, the controller may not be damaged and resume work after correcting the mis-wiring.  <b>CAUTION:</b> If the PV array is reversed and its actual power is 1.5 times the controller's rated power, the controller may be damaged.
4	Night reverse charging protection	Avoid the battery from discharging to the PV module at night.
5	Battery reverse protection	The battery can be reversely connected when the PV is disconnected or reversely connected. Correct the wire connection to resume work.  <b>WARNING:</b> The controller will be damaged when the PV connection is correct and the battery connection is reversed!
6	Battery overvoltage protection	When the battery voltage reaches the overvoltage disconnect voltage, the PV array will automatically stop charging the battery to avoid battery damage.
7	Battery over-discharging protection	The battery discharging is automatically stopped when the battery voltage is lower than the low voltage disconnect voltage.
8	Battery overheating protection	The controller detects the battery temperature through an external temperature sensor. The battery stops working when its temperature exceeds 65°C and resumes work when it is below 55°C.
9	Lithium battery low temperature protection	When the temperature detected by the optional temperature sensor is lower than the Low-Temperature Protection Threshold (LTPT), the controller will stop charging and discharging automatically. When the detected temperature is higher than the LTPT, the controller will work automatically (The LTPT is 0 °C by default and can be set within -40 °C to 10 °C).









10	Load short circuit protection	When a short circuit occurs on the load side (four times higher than the rated load current), the controller automatically cuts off the output. The output still attempts to resume five times automatically (delay 5s, 10s, 15s, 20s, 25s). Suppose you want the controller to restart the auto-recovery process. In that case, you need to press the Load button, restart the controller, or experience a night-to-day change (night time > 3 hours).
11	Overload protection	If the load current exceeds 1.05 times the controller's rating, the controller will cut off the output after a delay. After the overload occurs, the output attempts to resume automatically five times (delay of 5s, 10s, 15s, 20s, and 25s). Suppose you want the controller to restart the auto-recovery process. In that case, you need to press the Load button, restart the controller, or experience a night-to-day change (night time > 3 hours).
12	Device overheating protection	An internal temperature sensor can detect the internal temperature of the controller. The controller stops working when its internal temperature is higher than 85°C and resumes working when its internal temperature is below 75°C.
13	TVS high voltage transients protection	The controller's internal circuitry is designed with Transient Voltage Suppressors (TVS), which can only protect against high-voltage surge pulses with less energy. Suppose the controller is to be used in an area with frequent lightning strikes. In that case, it is recommended to install an external surge arrester.

★ When the controller's internal temperature reaches 81 °C, the charging power automatic reduction function is enabled. Temperature increases by 1 °C, and the charging power is reduced by 5%, 10%, 20%, and 40%. If the internal temperature exceeds 85 °C, the controller stops charging the battery. When the internal temperature is lower than or equal to 75 °C, the controller resumes charging per the rated charging power.

## 4.2 Troubleshooting

Faults	Faults	Troubleshooting
PV array open-circuit	When there is plenty of direct sunlight on the PV array, the LCD shows 	Confirm whether the connection of the PV array is correct and tight.
The battery voltage is lower than 8V.	The wire connection is correct; the controller is not working.	Please check the battery's voltage (at least 8V voltage to activate the controller).
Battery overvoltage	  Battery frame blink, fault icon blink	Check whether the battery voltage is higher than OVD (overvoltage disconnect voltage) and disconnect the

		PV array connection.
Battery over-discharged	  Battery frame blink, fault icon blink	<p>① When the battery voltage is restored to or above LVR (low voltage reconnect voltage), the load will recover.</p> <p>② Take other ways to recharge the battery.</p>
Battery overheating	  Battery frame blink, fault icon blink	While the temperature declines below 55 °C, the controller will resume.
Overload	1. Load off	<p>① Please reduce the number of electric devices.</p> <p>② Restart the controller or press the button to clear faults.</p>
Load short-circuit	<p>2</p>   Load and fault icon blink	<p>① Check carefully loads connection, clear the fault,</p> <p>② Restart the controller or press the button to clear faults.</p>

① When the load current goes higher than 1.02-1.05 times, 1.05-1.25 times, 1.25-1.35 times, and 1.35-1.5 times the rated value, the controller may automatically turn off loads in 50s, 30s, 10s, and 2s respectively.

## 4.3 Maintenance

The following inspections and maintenance tasks are recommended at least twice yearly for good performance.

- Make sure no block on airflow around the controller. Clear up any dirt and fragments on the radiator.
- Check all the naked wires to ensure insulation is not damaged by sun exposure, frictional wear, dryness, insects or rats, etc. Repair or replace some wires if necessary.
- Verify the indicator display is consistent with the actual operation. Pay attention to any troubleshooting or error conditions. Take necessary corrective action.
- Confirm that terminals have no corrosion, insulation damaged, high temperature, burnt/discolored sign, and tighten terminal screws to the suggested torque.
- Clear up dirt, nesting insects, and corrosion in time.
- Check and confirm that the lightning arrester is in good condition. Replace a new one in time to avoid damaging the controller and other equipment.



**CAUTION**

Electric shock hazard! Ensure that the power is turned off before the above operations, and then follow the corresponding inspections and operations.

## 5 Technical Specifications

Parameter	Tracer1206AN G3	Tracer2206AN G3	Tracer1210AN G3	Tracer2210AN G3	Tracer3210AN G3	Tracer4210AN G3
<b>Electrical Parameters</b>						
Battery Rated Voltage	12/24VDC <sup>①</sup> Auto-recognition					
Rated Charging Current	10A	20A	10A	20A	30A	40A
Rated Discharge Current	10A	20A	10A	20A	30A	40A
Controller Work Voltage Range	8-31V					
PV Maximum Open-circuit Voltage	60V <sup>②</sup> 46V <sup>③</sup>		100V <sup>②</sup> 92V <sup>③</sup>			
MPPT Voltage Range	(Battery voltage + 2V) to 36V		(Battery voltage + 2V) to 72V			
Rated Charging Power	130W/12V 260W/24V	260W/12V 520W/24V	130W/12V 260W/24V	260W/12V 520W/24V	390W/12V 780W/24V	520W/12V 1040W/24V
Static Losses	8mA (12V) 5mA (24V)					
Discharge-circuit Voltage Drop	0.23V					
Temperature Compensation <sup>④</sup>	-3mV/°C/2V (Default)					
Grounding Type	Common negative					
RS485 Port	5VDC/200mA (RJ45)					
LCD Backlight Time	Default: 60s, Range: 0-999s (0s: the backlight is ON all the time)					
<b>Environmental Parameters</b>						
Work Temperature Range <sup>⑤</sup>	-25°C to + 45°C (100% loads working)					
Storage Temperature Range	-20°C to + 70°C					
Relative Humidity	< 95 % (N.C.)					
Enclosure	IP30					

① When a lithium battery is used, the system voltage isn't automatically identified.

- ② At minimum operating environment temperature
- ③ At 25℃ environment temperature
- ④ When a lithium battery is used, the temperature compensation coefficient will be 0 and cannot be changed.
- ⑤ The controller can full load working in the working environment temperature. When the internal temperature reaches 81℃, the reducing charging power mode is turned on. Refer to Section [4.1 Protection](#).

**Mechanical parameters**

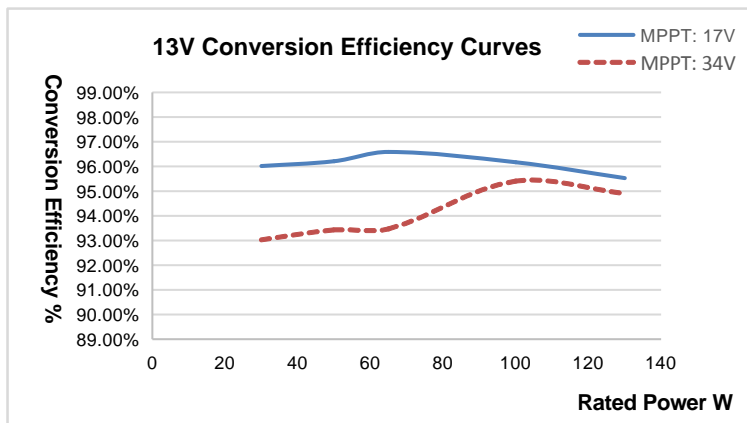
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Dimension (L x W x H)	172 x 139 x 44mm	220 x 154 x 52mm	228 x 164 x 55mm	252 x 180x63mm
Mounting Size (L x W)	124 x 130mm	170 x 145mm	170 x 155mm	204 x 171mm
Mounting Hole Size	5mm			
Terminal	12AWG (4mm <sup>2</sup> )	6AWG (16mm <sup>2</sup> )	6AWG (16mm <sup>2</sup> )	6AWG (16mm <sup>2</sup> )
Recommended Wire Size	12AWG (4mm <sup>2</sup> )	10AWG (6mm <sup>2</sup> )	8AWG (10mm <sup>2</sup> )	6AWG (16mm <sup>2</sup> )
Net Weight	0.57kg	0.94kg	1.26kg	1.65kg

# Appendix I Conversion Efficiency Curves

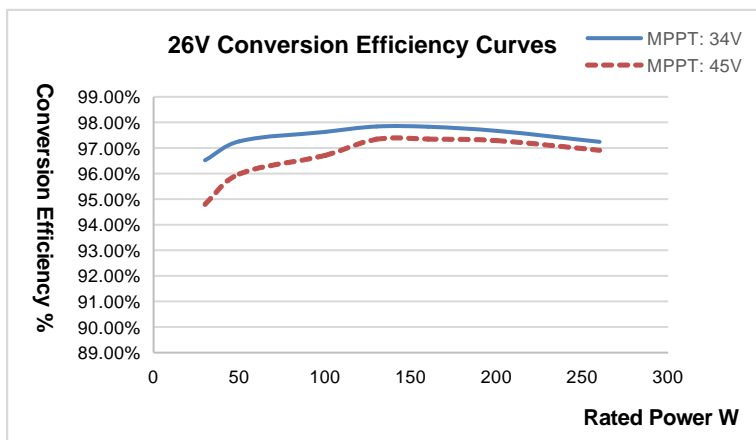
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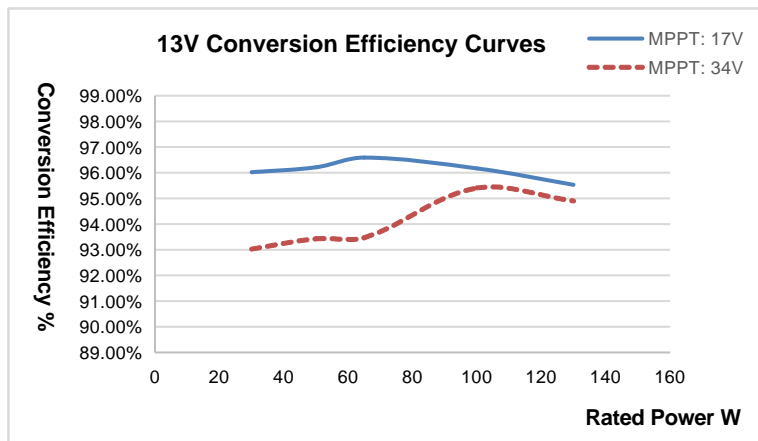


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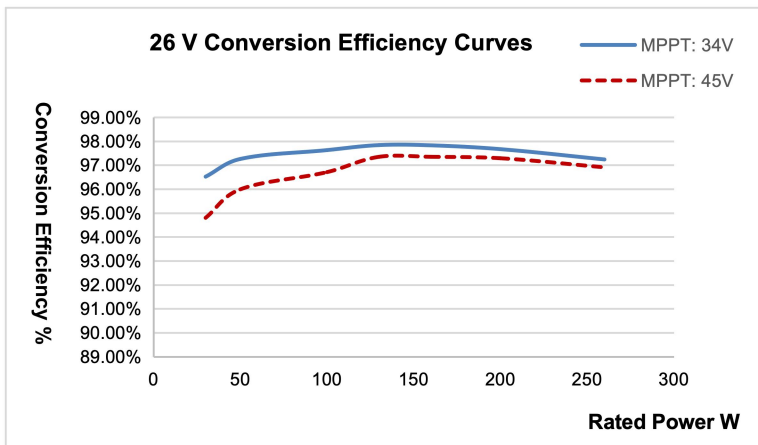


Model: Tracer1210AN G3

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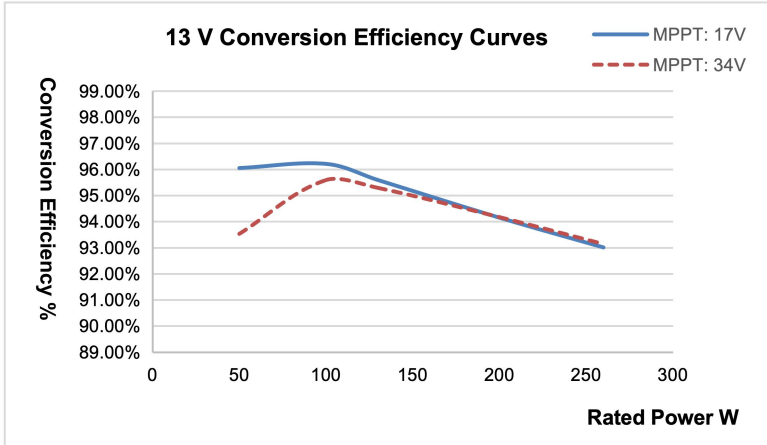


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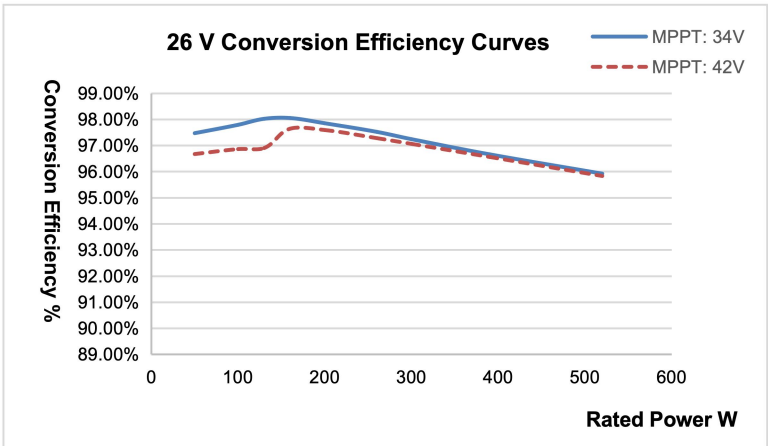


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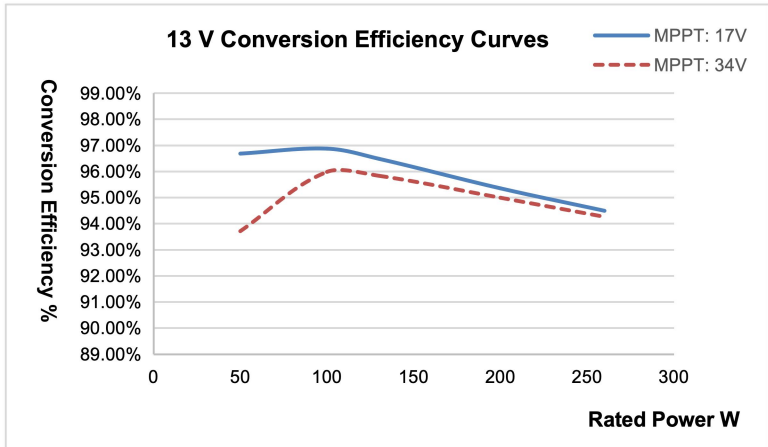
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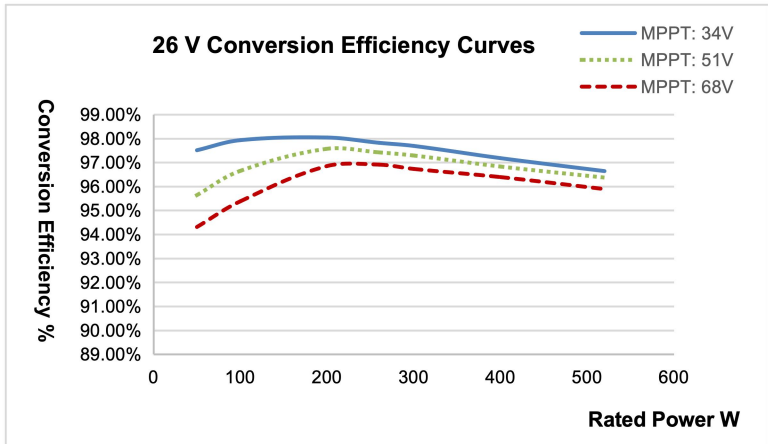


Model: Tracer2210AN G3

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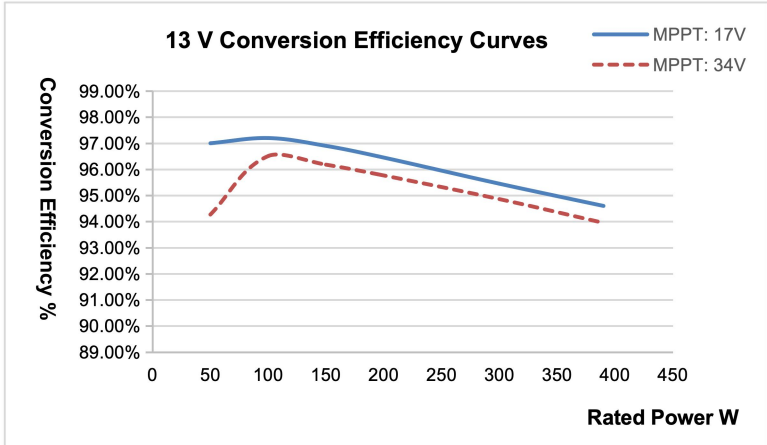


2. PV array MPP voltage (34V, 51V, 68V)/system voltage (26V)

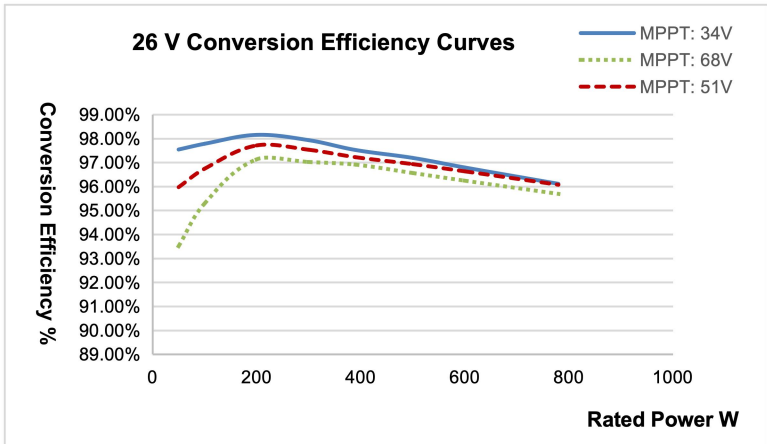


Model: Tracer3210AN G3

1. PV array MPP voltage (17V, 34V)/system voltage (13V)

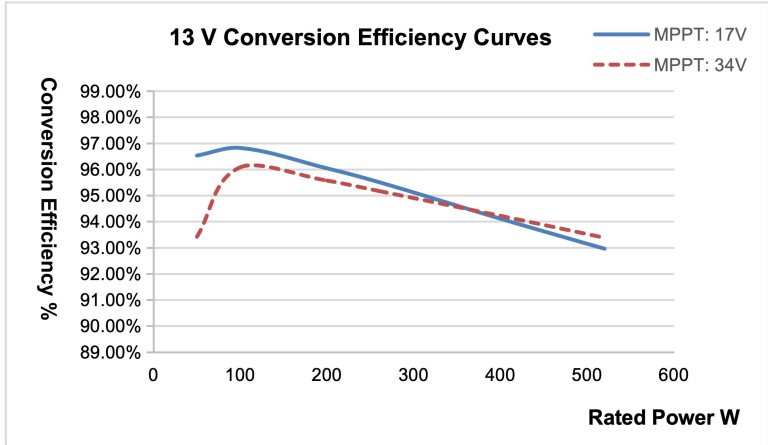


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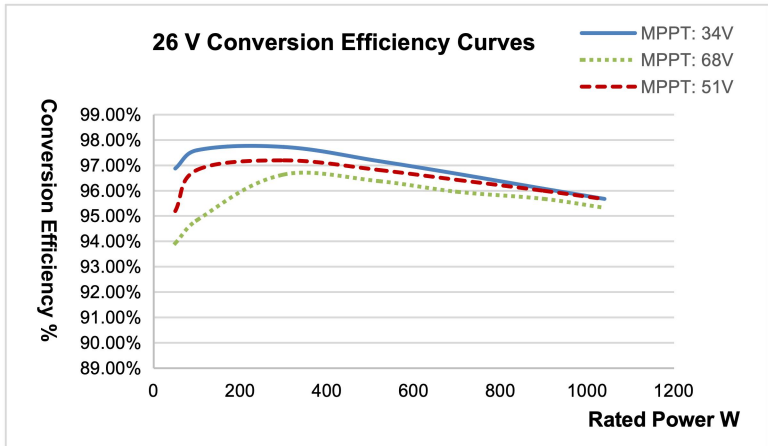


Model: Tracer4210AN G3

1. PV array MPP voltage (17V, 34V )/system voltage (13V)



2. PV array MPP voltage (34V, 51V, 68V)/system voltage (26V)



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