



Solar Still Technology Advancements for Recycling Industrial Wastewater with Renewable Energy: A Review

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ABSTRACT

In arid regions, around the world, where freshwater supplies are few, industry and agriculture utilize water of poor quality. These have the potential to affect both the ecosystem and the water quality utilized by humans and industry. This review discusses a comprehensive, consistent solution for simulating the condensation of industrial waste after it has been discharged and stored in an evaporation pond. Using evaporation ponds as a case study, the solar still is used to treat industrial effluent. This technique is geared toward small, simple systems in off-the-grid areas with access to both salty wastewater and renewable power sources. Therefore, desalination is undeniably one of the most effective ways to supply industry and agriculture. Possible energy systems include those that utilize concentrating solar power technology. In this review, the layout of a sustainable concentrating solar system is simulated and analyzed. Solar stills have a lower transpiration rate. Utilizing water vapor condensation in the air, the solar still effects, and the utilization of salt wastewater, desalination appears to be a good fit for wastewater recycling and reuse. The primary objective related to research is examining the possibility of desalinating industrial waste utilizing sustainable electricity. For this setup to work, we need to take a close look at how solar cells and collectors could be used to accelerate its treatment in solar still. In order to recycle industrial wastewater, the study's findings suggest combining solar collectors, PV modules, and solar still technology. This looks to be a sustainable, low-cost alternative for the industry.

1. INTRODUCTION

A focusing system may make use of the sun's energy by diverting its rays to a limited receiving region. It is advantageous to use a concentrating system because of its low-priced design, readily-available components like mirrors, and compatibility with nonrenewable solutions to build a hybrid mechanism. One of the concentrating methods that may produce electricity on a large scale⁷ and heat applications is a parabolic trough collector [1], [2].

Low, medium, and high-temperature applications are all feasible with the right parabolic mirrors (PTCSS) design. In order to produce hot liquid, designing and creating a flawless, 90° margin slope, breglass-enhanced concentrator collector. According to studies of eight solar parabolic collectors with various edge inclinations employed in a lower energy technique, best performance of 68% and around 108 °C may be reached at a ring angle of 90 degrees [3].

The water demand is skyrocketing, and some areas are struggling to keep up. Demand for desalination techniques and the recycling of industrial waste has consequently increased. Membrane filtration and distillation are two

well-known desalination processes, among many others. Some have criticized their high energy consumption and negative effects on the environment [4].

Saltwater greenhouse distillation, or the humidification and dehumidification of the greenhouse's air, uses the sun's rays to retain surplus electricity at a cheaper price. The water produced via greenhouse techniques is useful for irrigation, manufacturing, and public usage [5].

A coordinated strategy including water management and conservation is the long-term answer to resource depletion in dry places like Africa, where industrialization is on the rise [6].

Greenhouses and solar stills, both of which rely on renewable energy sources, are ideally suited to dry, sunny regions and can aid in the reuse of manufactured goods [7].

Solar evaporation is used to generate enough water for the greenhouse's plants and animals to thrive in a salty setting.

Many researchers recently published an evaluation of many solar desalination techniques, with an emphasis on systems that remove excess moisture from the air. Although these methods have been known for some time, it

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is only recently that they have been integrated into greenhouse crop production.

Therefore, from the point of view of desalination, it is appropriate to investigate methods that will enable more effective use of water in industry, including those that allow wastewater to be reused. The sun distillation method used in saltwater desalination still generates an environment that cuts down on water loss due to evaporation while also producing a sufficient quantity of potable water for use in either the home or the workplace [8].

According to similar research, solar distillation techniques have been around for quite some time, but their application to greenhouse agriculture is more recent. In several places throughout the globe, solar distillation plants have been established [9].

Whether or not greenhouse desalination or solar thermal technology is successful depends on the conditions in which they are used. Solar still functions best in bright, dry, and windy climates [10].

Our research goes beyond these efforts by addressing the need for new, low-cost technology solutions to help industrial enterprises control and recycle effluents.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

There is a correlation between the operational conditions of the greenhouse and the efficiency of the solar still. Climate (temperate or equatorial), season (summer or winter), area, size, freshwater production needs, and energy usage are just a few of the variables to think about (fans and pumps). That's according to research [11] industrial waste can be treated by placing it in huge ponds using an appropriate risk approach, where it will be exposed to strong sunlight and evaporate over time. Numerous nations use this technique to manage their salt water. Despite their benefits, evaporation ponds could pose huge social and environmental threats. For example, if sewage leaks out of evaporation ponds, it might have serious effects on wildlife. In a study conducted by many researchers [12], there is widespread concern that freshwater scarcity will have a devastating impact on human civilization in the twenty-first century, that was the conclusion reached by researchers [13]. As reported by [14], several scientists have worked to address this issue by involving novel distillation techniques, like membrane filtration [15] solar chimney systems [16], adsorption solutions condensation of vapor [17], polymers for electrostatic interaction [18] [19]. Around the turn of the last century, people began to see the potential of using renewable energy sources, and pond-style solar still was developed and produced to extract potable water by employing the sun's rays.

Solar distillation considered as the fastest and most affordable way to create drinking water [20]. At its most basic, distillation seems to be the most efficient approach for extracting clean water from saltwater. [21] and [22]

studied efficient methods of halting environmental degradation, which has recently become one of the most contentious topics on a global scale. Construction plants would make sure a thorough framework for environmental risk assessment is always applicable by methodically determining and reducing risks from different sources. [12]. The solar solution is seen as a promising technique to wastewater scarcity issues because of the widespread availability of salty water and renewable energy sources on Earth [23]. That was the sustainable conclusion reached by researchers [24] [25]. Interface solar desalination, a new concept, has just achieved a considerable evaporation process, thus fueling the expansion of this industry. In a 2014 study [26], There are many types of desalination techniques: inactive and active solar desalination [27]. When using a direct desalination system, solar energy is collected and turned into condensate without the need for any additional solar collectors, but when using an indirect system, additional solar mirrors are employed to supplement the electricity acquired from sun. According to many studies [28] [29] Condensation in a solar still design is novel, studied [30] especially in dry climates with little humidity. In contrast, a condenser mechanism is crucial in a salt wastewater system as it causes humidity in the air to condense [31]. A desalination technique based on humidification-dehumidification was proposed to achieve saltwater recycling, in particular freshwater generation adequate for crop growth and industrial uses, and to adapt the microclimate of a greenhouse or solar still to suit a particular crop [32]. The integrated greenhouse humidification and dehumidification system are demonstrated to be the most cost-effective choice, with lower capital and water expenses, in comparison to the separate greenhouse and concentrated solar desalination systems [33].

3. METHODOLOGY

3.1. Evaporation pond as final basin wastewater

In the twenty-first century, one of the biggest problems is that natural resources, especially water, are being used up and their quality is getting worse.

Most of Morocco's water comes from normal sources. Nontraditional water sources, like desalination, reuse, and recycling of treated wastewater, have been made in recent years to protect the environment and reduce the use of natural resources [34]. An evaporation pond (fig.1) is a lined earthen pond where the concentrate evaporates naturally because of the sun. when the clean water in the basins evaporates, crystalline salt is formed when the concentrate's elements react. These salt crystals are regularly recovered and thrown away. Since the 1800s, salty solutions have been drained of water in evaporation ponds. Using evaporation ponds to get rid of saltwater waste has several benefits.

They say that, compared to mechanical and electrical systems [35], evaporation ponds are easy to build, don't need much maintenance, and need less attention from the operator.

Some of the problems are that industries need a lot of land whenever the vaporization level is medium or the disposal frequency is considerable.

As per [36], evaporation ponds can be a good way to get rid of industrial wastewater, particularly in regions having arid, hot climates, and cheap land. Evaporation ponds can be sealed to reduce the chance that they will pollute the groundwater. [37] demonstrates that evaporation ponds work best in places that are moderately warm and dry, have high vaporization levels, and a very inexpensive land.

Evaporation ponds are employed to deal with wastewater. So, they try to reduce the amount of effluent by letting it evaporate, which may cause salt to form. [38] came up with a way to rate disposal basins based on basin dimension, the chance of groundwater leakage, who owns the basin and how often it is checked, how often it is reused, and other factors.

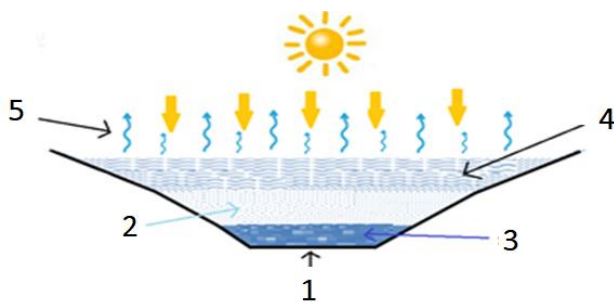


Fig .1. Evaporation pond drawing. (1) Geomembrane, (2) increasing salinity, (3) sludge, (4) warm surface, (5) water evaporation. [12]

Despite their usefulness, evaporation ponds have been linked to several ecological and environmental risks. For instance, if the evaporation ponds overflow with effluent, it might have a destructive consequences on the local environment. Furthermore, as open water surfaces, evaporation ponds serve as a magnet for a wide variety of avian and mammalian species; nevertheless, if the quality of the wastewater contained in those ponds is low and exceeds the constraints, this might lead to an increase in the mortality of those species.

3.2. Solar system with a reflector focusing modeling

Parabolic troughs are a specific type of solar thermal collector that is mirror-polished metal and are sleek in one size but resembles a parabolic in shape in the other. Any incoming solar energy is focused on the receiver along the optical axis. Concentrated solar radiation heats fluid in the receivers. There are a wide variety of commercial and residential applications for hot fluid, including but not

limited to power generation, and manufacturing of heated water. The setup is depicted in Fig. 2.

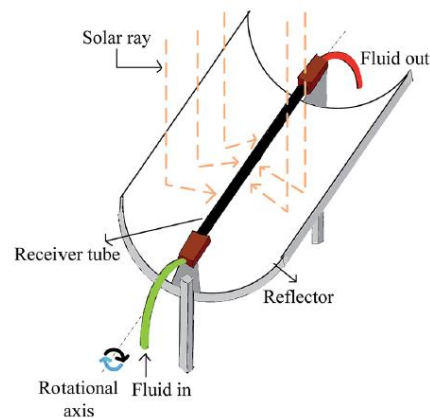


Fig. 2. Solar system Parabolic Mirror [41].

To trace the sun's journey during the day, a parabolic mirrors are positioned along the longitudinal upper vector at latitudes 3.1° beyond the equatorial and $101^\circ 39' 59''$ east of Kuala Lumpur's prime meridian. The following equation (1), (2), and (3) can be used to get the incidence angle [39] [40].

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} [(\cos 2 \theta_z + \cos 2 \delta \sin 2 \omega)_2^1] \quad (1)$$

θ : Denote for zenith angle

δ : declination

ω : hour angle

where

$$\theta_z = \cos^{-1} [\cos \phi \cos \delta \cos \omega + \sin \phi \sin \delta] \quad (2)$$

$$\delta = 23.45 \sin \left(360 \frac{284+n}{365} \right) \quad (3)$$

In the equation (3), n presents the day.

3.2.1 Design of a concentrator structure

Parabolic trough systems have three primary design variables: the angle, the aperture, and receiver dimension. This angle is set by the radiation that strikes the collector at its furthest edge (where the mirror radius R_r is the largest). The size of the picture of the receiver is greatly affected by the focal distance, which in turn is greatly affected by the rim angle. The typical direction of the sun's incident radiation is along the trough parallel. The trough creates a focal line by concentrating all photons at a single point. The receiver is centered in the optical path [41].

3.3. PV Module characteristics

The photovoltaic cell is the essential component of PV technology since it is responsible for transforming the chemical energy of sunshine into the electrical energy that we use in our daily lives [42].

For a PV module or panel, the individual PV cells must be linked in series. These modules are strung together in a series termed a string which is linked in succession to build a PV arrangement to achieve a desired voltage and current. The behavior of a PV module may be predicted using a nonlinear voltage-current curve (4) based on the equivalent circuit seen in Fig.3, often known as the one-diode model. This model, the most popular model of PV module under typical working conditions, may be mathematically represented as [43]:

$$I = I_{PV} - I_0 \left[\exp \left(\frac{V+R_s I}{V_t a} \right) \right] - \frac{V+R_s I}{R_p} \quad (4)$$

where

- I_{PV} : photocurrent
- I_0 : Diode' reverse saturation current
- R_s : Resistance type "series"
- R_p : Resistance type "shunt"
- a : a constant diode

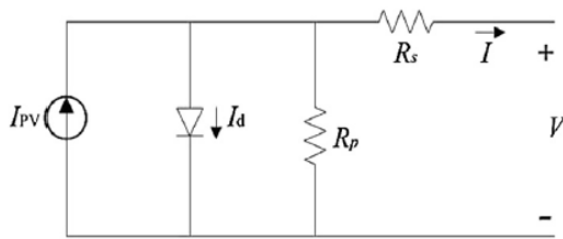


Fig. 3. PV module (One diode model).

Some sectors, such as inverters' critical assessment, inverters' maximum power point tracking (MPPT), and building grid-connected photovoltaic (GCPV) systems, can benefit from the mathematical model of PV modules. This has led to a great deal of investigation into the five previously unaccounted-for parameters.

3.4. Solar still combined with Condenser

The single-slope, watershed solar still's efficiency has been improved by the inclusion of a passive condensation. this was the subject of research by only a small number of writers [44].

Here we distinguish two solar thermal-electrical systems for distilling water for purification.

The first technique involves utilizing a low-powered exhaust fan to draw humid air from a basin-style still and cool it down in a condenser. The still's thermal efficiency is enhanced by more than 100% over that of a standard still. In the second scheme, water is scalded within the receiver tube using a concentrator-collector. To reduce the heating point of the liquide by around 11 °C, a simple vacuum pumping system is used (fig.4) [45].

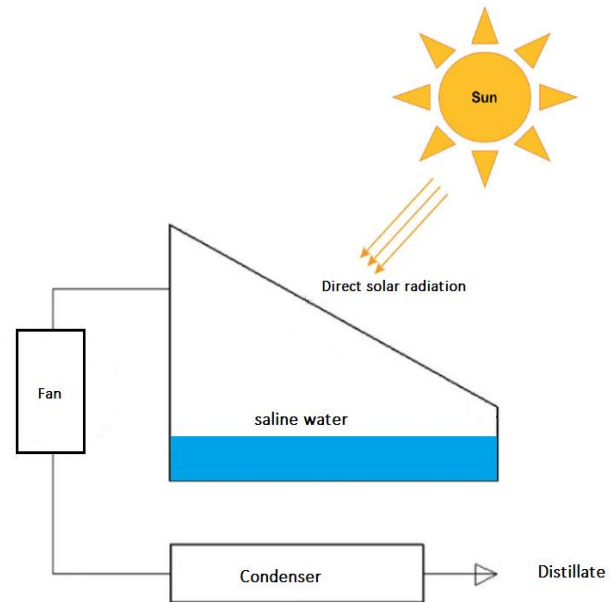


Fig. 4. Solar still combined with a condenser.

A novel sustainable still with a secondary condenser was created theoretically. The condenser is protected from the sun irradiation by the screen. This sustainable still may be used worldwide and can be constructed using relatively inexpensive components [46]. Current system performance with the condenser is evaluated and contrasted to that of a traditional solar system operating in similar environment and with the same weather conditions. If the findings are to be believed, the current version is still superior to the old one in terms of distillate production. In a study [45], The primary drawbacks of doing scientific research are their high cost and lengthy duration. Due to this, many scientists have oriented on computer simulating to better understand and optimize solar thermal systems by determining which factors are most important. [47] examined the impact of utilising a simple fan and found that productivity rose. [48] conducted a theoretical investigation on how establishing a vacuum within the solar still might affect its output. Their research suggested that in conditions of a complete vacuum, water production may be increased by a factor of one hundred.

3.5. Solar still combined with sun tracking

Other authors employed solar tracker systems to improve distillation yield [49] a tool for locating the sun with multiple mirrors, and the frames were explored. Others have developed a monitoring system that may be utilized with the addition of single-axis solar focusing devices [50].

A study has been carried out on a mirrors' collector comprising seven parabolic reflectors with sensors [51]. A study has been carried out to determine the impact of utilizing a multiple solar tracking system on the thermophysical properties of compound parabolic concentrators [52]; the monitoring of CPC collectors

demonstrated superior performance comparing to a stationary collector, the amount of energy gathered has increased by 78%. Using computerized sun-tracking equipment, the solar still was rotated to follow the sun's path, making use of a sun-tracking system [53]. designed to increase its efficiency. Solar tracking's application enhanced production by 25%, as measured by a comparative study of fixed and sun-tracked solar stills, leading to an improvement in the total efficiency of 2%. To sum up, sun tracking is superior to a stationary system and can increase output [23].

3.6. Experimental studies of solar still

The aim behind employing the solar still in this arrangement (fig. 5) is to expedite the condensation of wastewater and produce fresh water in a sustainable manner. Solar still and solar collectors could be used together to recycle wastewater.

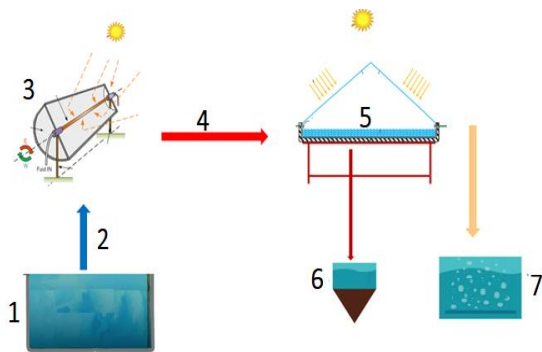


Fig. 5 Solar still illustration. (1) Effluent, (2) cold wastewater, (3) solar collector, (4) hot wastewater, (5) solar still, (6) brine, (7) fresh water. [46]

The effects of primarily employing a fan as a vacuuming approach and a separated condenser were investigated by many researchers. Aluminum and cuprous oxide nanoparticles were added to the solar water still to improve its efficiency. He summed up that the mathematical model of PV modules is useful in many different fields, including dynamic analysis of inverters, MPPT in inverters, and the construction of GCPV systems. Consequently, researchers have focused their attention on those five variables.

3.7. Pyramid shape solar still

Among the suggested improvements are spongy squares, a greenhouse, an outdoor condenser, solar trackers and reflector, a solar flat plate collectors, and phase transition material combined with solar stills. The use of a dye might reduce the quality of the distillate, which is a disadvantage shared by both approaches [54].

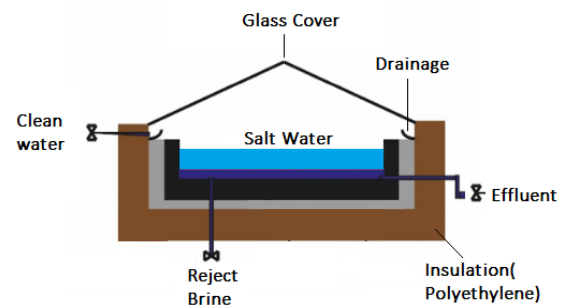


Fig. 6. Solar still pyramid design.

3.8. Maintenance of Solar collector system

Verification of torque specifications for fasteners Examination of the preload at each bolted joint is necessary to make sure that this preload is maintained. This checkup should be performed at least once every six months at first, but if the results are consistently positive, the frequency can be increased. The solar collectors' metal framework must be sufficiently corrosion-resistant. For this purpose, it is entirely coated with corrosion-resistant materials, such as paint, galvanizing, or special polymers. The area must be repaired if rust is found. The following tools are recommended for this task: Mechanical or chemical methods might be used to remove the rust covering. After giving the surface a thorough cleaning, making sure there is no remaining grease, oil, or salt, a coat of paint containing zinc should be applied right away. Hydraulic mechanisms mounted on the driving pylons turn the collectors in their intended direction. The leakage of hydraulic fluid, the overheating of the motor, the presence of unusual vibrations or sounds, and the proper operation of the electrical valves are all things that need to be checked on these machines. The oil and filters will also be checked for their quality. If the liners holding the axle are making noise when the drive is turning, or if they seem unpredictable, with rattling caused by extra clearance or something similar, then the liners need to be inspected. Slight damage to reflectors must be checked on at regular intervals and considered during initial checks. Even though they are still functional, they should be replaced since the loop's resistance will decrease due to the fissures formed by the break. The safety of workers moving about the field and the nearby reflecting device might be compromised by the presence of broken mirrors, which should be repaired as soon as possible.

4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Reusing and recycling wastewater from industrial processes is a pressing issue from a sustainability perspective. Since solar collectors and PV systems have been shown to significantly enhance heat and mass transfer, understanding their potential application in wastewater treatment and reuse is the goal of this survey.

Solar still systems configured with renewable energy and novel concepts for wastewater reuse will be the primary focus of this event.

Decision-makers in any field are profoundly affected by the economic factor. One common objective of financial analysis for solar still systems is to calculate the unit cost of fresh water (in liters or cubic meters) and the relative importance of various costs to the sector as a whole. This highlights the most pressing areas for cost reduction and improvement right now [55]. Even though solar technology has not yet achieved its full potential in the parts of the world where it is most needed, it is still a trustworthy one today. Climate, local availability of resources, and the cost of labor all play a role in driving ongoing evolution in design. Solar stills can be covered with polythene, glass, and, plastic. This demonstrates that total price of solar electricity is still rather cheap. The price tag on a solar still system might go up or down depending on a wide range of factors. Some examples of these factors include the local ecology and the diverse aesthetic principles. These factors affect the cost-effectiveness of solar thermal systems, but they also offer substantial benefits that are not location-specific. Comparable to the solar still, fan-ventilated greenhouses might potentially reduce energy use by operating at lower speeds, a topic that [56] explored. Power tests as a function of fan speed suggest a more than 70% reduction in energy use per unit of air moved at lower fan speeds. To save on the initial investment required for reduced movement, They developed a chilly conservatory with a blower where velocity corresponds to the amount of light, so that maximum acceleration isn't achieved until just after noon. There is a 40% energy savings compared to constant speed operating. Net present values of various mechanisms over a 15-year depreciation schedule are compared, and it is shown that solutions based on solar control save money under all price and sales price assumptions. As a result, solar fan designers may make energy-saving designs more widely available by including such solutions in their product range. The solar distillation technology's price tag is discussed [9]. They mentioned how costly solar energy conversion facilities are. Most solar distillation plants are constructed using less expensive locally accessible materials, exacerbating the problem. In this instance, prices might differ considerably depending on where you live. Economic research was conducted to anticipate the predicted water cost, and this was the greatest indication of the viability of the different solar freestanding water desalination machines [57]. The greatest desalination facilities in the world are still causing broad coastal ecosystems great harm with their brine discharges. In addition to preventing the discharge of very salty water into the ocean, the solar still or greenhouses might potentially recover sea salt and transform it into a desirable, marketable product. 1–5 kWh/m³ is the typical energy need for solar stills [58]. Currently, batteries and

inverters are not necessary to provide the modest electrical demands of fans and pumps, but research suggests that in the future, solar panels will be employed for this purpose. This will allow those living far from the grid to reduce their carbon footprint while still providing them with clean drinking water. Only 1% of the world's deserts would need to be used for concentrated solar power facilities to provide enough energy to meet global demand. The economic potential of these technologies for regenerating forests and providing staples like food, water, and energy is considerable. Whenever the plane was found in the wind of more elevated landforms, the weather bringing this "lost" moisture might be compelled to increase [59]. One eco-friendly aspect of solar stills is that they are constructed from inexpensive, completely recyclable materials [58]. Extensive research has been conducted to better understand the challenges of providing desalination plants with the energy they require. Both wind and solar electricity are renewable, clean energy options. To determine whether or not wind energy may be used to power solar still systems, [60] selected and analyzed five productive rural regions. They argued that wind energy is an effective means of producing electricity and may be used to supply the power requirements of salt water-based solar still devices.

As a scope of the future works, it is proposed that CSP innovation, employing parabolic collectors, be implemented to improve solar thermal systems' use of renewable energy. Using the suggested technique, the energy required to boil the wastewater before evaporating it in the solar still would be minimized. To guarantee full sun tracking by the collectors, CSP parabolic collectors will be powered by PV renewable energy. Using this solution will not set you back a lot of money. The operating and upkeep expenses are also manageable. As the collectors are already in place at these power plants, this method will be more efficient and cost-effective for recycling wastewater. As a bonus, the suggested approach may be used all through the year, summer and winter included, because the solar still can be heated using solar collectors that rely solely on solar radiation (DIN). Clear skies throughout the year indicate a suitable candidate for this solution. Research has been done to address the issue of meeting the power demands of industry with renewable sources. Solar parabolic and solar photovoltaic energy both contribute to a clean and sustainable energy grid. This research looked at the viability of utilizing CSP and PV to power wastewater solar distillation, which has been proposed for wastewater recycling and clean water generation. Electrical components of the solar thermal system, such as pumps, condensers, and fans, will rely heavily on the power supplied by the CSP and PV arrays. Sludge might be recycled in addition to the solar distiller's environmentally friendly wastewater recycling method through the use of alternative treatments that have been the subject of many studies. For instance, to improve the

Table 1. Solar still comparative studied

Solar still type	Characteristics	Production outcomes	benefits	limitations	reference s
Standard solar still	insulating strength. Performance at quasi - steady production	Conclusions drawn in the absence of insulation situation are much more plausible because wind increases the system's power loss.	simple to setup really simple to use. lower cost of investment. simple in design.	Low efficiency. And fresh water production.	[65] [66][67]
Solar still with tubes	Regular electricity - performance of solar still.	In comparison to a standard solar still, where seawater evaporates and water vapor condensate takes place in the same small area, increased freshwater productivity is achieved.	used for the coastline. simple to construct, Effectiveness is still superior to the standard solar still. Possibility of utilizing fiber polymer; less contamination	The cost of investment is expensive. extremely delicate equipment	[67][68]
Solar still with rooftop (tubular)	The Temperature used for this type is photocell; In addition to solar energy output	When designing a hybrid energy system, the liquid-to-energy ratio could be a crucial element in determining the ideal situation. The primary objective is to improve productivity.	This type of solar still is mobile, therefore it can be used in different areas, like laboratories.	Limited efficiency and only used infrequently.	[65] [69][70]
solar still with a tilt	Rate of Distillation Sunlight taken up by the wicking. Regular energy - efficiency of the still. Angle of solar still	During the day, the reflector-equipped still produces more distilled and absorbs higher solar energy onto the wick than the non-reflector-equipped still. since during that time the evaporating wick was unable to obtain sunlight out from the reflective surface.	When compared to a simple solar still, the reflector-equipped still has a higher productivity level. Water is much more productive as well.	Performance falls off when there's no reflector. Water must be fed continuously. Wicking pollution is a constant problem.	[71][72]
Solar still with active and passive modes	yearly output water level	The effectiveness of passive solar still as measured by hourly production at various water levels.	It is far more cost-effective to continue providing drinkable water using passive stills.	The cost of investment is expensive Productivity drops as water level rises.	[65] [73][74]
Solar still with Dispersion of multiple effects	sunlight. absorbs sunlight. Volume of distilled per day. Partitions. Eventually effectiveness Diffusion spaces among walls, in terms of thickness.	The second division has the highest daily condensate production, while the final split has the lowest production. The average daily output is higher throughout the wintertime than during the springtime.	suitable for basic applications. most effective whenever the separation is tiny	The primary issue is the diffusion interval between both the segments.	[75][76] [77]

handling scenarios for the manufacturing of clay tiles made from a combination of conventional ceramic cement and water purification waste, an experimental design was undertaken [61]. Even though PV electricity is among the most extensively used forms of clean energy, it is not without substantial limitations that compromise the quality of its output. Variables like module temperature and solar radiation intensity have a major impact on PV panel efficiency. Scientists have investigated this problem and developed a few solutions, like the one proposed by [62], which uses front and back surface cooling to regulate the PV module's heat. Therefore, similar proposals may be made to preserve the high efficiency of the PV panels that fuel our solar array.

The Still method is another approach to increasing the flow of fresh water. Whereas, combining angled solar still with conventional solar still increases production with minimal additional expense. Because the solar technique is tilted, the wastewater may be provided to it utilizing gravity alone, eliminating the need for a pump. Traditional solar stills' evaporation rates are increased, and the output of both stills is gathered. Since 2017, factors that influence solar stills' output are emphasized [63] [28]. Weather, layout, and process conditions are the three most influential factors. It was found that the output of the solar still was proportional to the sun irradiation available, and the outside heat. More light may be seen through a narrower glass angle. Still, production is also negatively impacted by increasing water temperature at the outset, increasing water depth, increasing cover thickness, increasing the separation across the water's surface with the condensing wrap, and using dyes.

In conclusion, tracking photovoltaic panels might power solar collectors in the future, which would heat wastewater before it is pumped into a solar still. This eco-friendly method will facilitate the fast and effective recycling of wastewater in industrial settings.

The evaluation of several solar still designs for producing fresh water from wastewater or effluent is shown in Table 1. All solar energy still has a purpose that makes it useful. Solar stills are evaluated under five separate sections in the summary table: design, characteristics, outcomes, benefits, and their associated drawbacks.

5. CONCLUSIONS

Multiple different saline desalination systems have been developed and put into use over the past several decades to boost water supply in arid regions of the world. Since the high cost of desalination is a significant obstacle. A solar still that employs evaporation to purify wastewater is powered by a thermoelectric solar power system, which generates electricity via a low-temperature Rankine cycle. Fields of parabolic-trough collectors concentrate the sun's rays on a centrally located Heat Collector Element (HCE)

that is filled with wastewater. Sludge is warmed as it loops through the solar still and the receivers.

As a result of the above revision of a single basin passive type solar still, the following techniques and changes were made to improve its efficiency: The still's efficiency and productivity depended on factors like its location, the amount of solar radiation, the temperature of the air, the depth of the water in the basin, the substance, depth, and angle of the glass cover, the speed of the wind, and its heat capacity. Compared to other parameters, the depth of the water in the basin is the most important one for how well the still works.

Most of the Physico-chemical parameters of industrial wastewater collected in an evaporation pond are connected in some manner. The Physico-chemical parameters of the wastewater in the evaporation ponds increased due to the presence of the industrial effluent. This will lead to a rise in water pollution. However, numerous measured values in the study region were higher than allowed for certain aspects of wastewater quality. It follows that employing a solar still to recycle wastewater is a promising strategy for preventing environmental and ecological catastrophes in the future. Synthetic polymer solar collectors are another option for the price reduction. Solar stills provide the possibility of providing potable water at a reasonable cost. Different cost estimation methods make it hard to establish uniform, interchangeable prices across all technologies.

Due to the unpredictability of environmental factors, the efficiency of solar distillation can be improved by adjusting operating and design parameters. Saltwater desalination has the potential to provide an abundant and continuous source of fresh water that has been cleansed from industrial effluent, but it should only be explored after all other options have been put into effect. choices available today.

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