

solarSIM  
MOD. T4E-SIM-03

**solarSIM mod.T4E-SIM-03** is a compact simulator that shows the operation of a photovoltaic system using an **Arduino UNO** board.

The unit is designed to allow the learning of basic electronics, the use of electronic components and **Arduino UNO** board, and the code programming (**sketch**). It allows the study and understanding of the functioning of a photovoltaic system type "grid-connected" complete of:

- connection to the national grid
- generation and consumption of electric energy
- injection and withdrawal of power from the national grid

It consists of:

- a transparent and ergonomic base which contains the block diagram of the system with all main components
  - an **Arduino UNO board** and
  - the breadboard with electronic components to be mounted
- The unit is powered by PC through the Arduino UNO board.

#### COURSE PROGRAM

- Installation of the simulator by placing the Arduino UNO board and the breadboard
- Reading of electrical diagram attached, identification of electronic components supplied and construction of the electrical circuit on the breadboard
- Check that the circuit is made consistent with the electrical diagram
- Connecting the Arduino UNO board to the PC with the USB cable and start the PC
- Installation of the **Arduino Software IDE** and open the file with the **code (Sketch) included**
- Selection of input commands (potentiometer, switch) and observation of the unit state by the output (leds, buzzer)
- Analysis of the operating logic of the simulator
- Performing electrical measurements with Tester (**option, not included**)
- Code analysis to observe the similarities between the operating logic of the simulator and the development of the code itself: it is supplied the **flow-chart** of the code
- Changing the code, load from your PC to Arduino UNO board and verification of the effects

#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The Block diagram contains the following components:

- Sun, photovoltaic generator, DC/AC inverter, energy meter generated, bi-directional energy meter injected / withdrawn, electrical panel, electrical installation, electric user appliance, MV/LV transformer, MV transmission line, HV/MV transformer, HV transmission line

Nr.1 Arduino UNO board

Nr.1 Breadboard

Electronic components:

- leds, buzzer, potentiometer, resistors, switch

Wiring:

- flexible jumper cable
- mix color and length

- male to male

User controls:

- solar irradiation: continuously adjustable
- electric user appliance: on, off

Light indicators:

- solar irradiation
- presence of MV/LV voltage
- energy flow produced: normal, low
- energy flow drawn
- energy flow injected
- electric user appliance

Sound indicator:

- alarm: power from the grid

Simulator is ready-to-use:

- Arduino UNO board is already programmed with its code

Accessories included:

- Student manual: contains exercises that describe how to use the unit and the code (sketch)

Power supply:

- by USB port of Arduino UNO board connected to a **Personal Computer or Power bank (not included)**

- by external power supply (**not included, option suggested T4E-MOD-01**)

Dimensions and weight:

- 310x210x70 mm
- Total weight: 1kg