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Cours description

1. Introduction to photovoltaics

Basic information about the solar energy and photovoltaic Energy conversion

2. Technology of solar cells

The industrial technology of silicon solar cells and thin films solar cells will be presented

3. Emerging photovoltaics

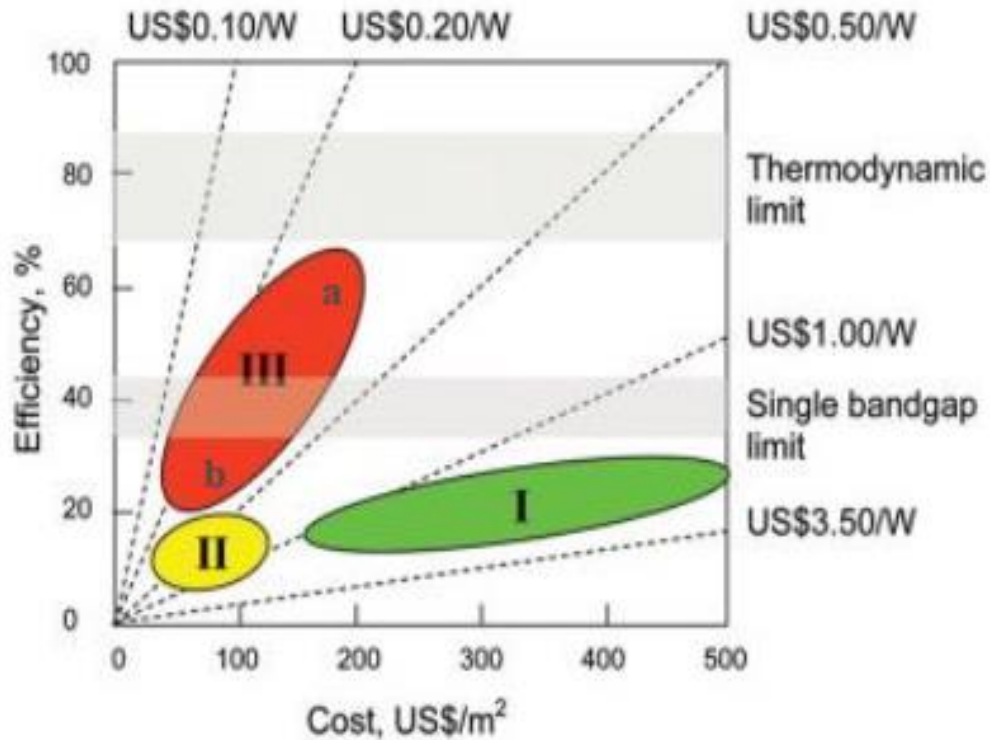
Emerging materials and devices including dye-sensitized solar cell, organic solar cell, perovskite solar cell and quantum dot solar cell

4. Photovoltaic systems

Technology, applications, economics of photovoltaic systems



Three generations of solar cells



Region IIIa: very high –efficiency devices that require novel mechanisms of device operation

Region IIIb: perovskite, DSSC, organic PV with moderate efficiency and very low cost

Average exchange conversion factor for the year 2012: 1US\$=0.76 €.

Region IIIb – Emerging PV

Figure 3: Cost-efficiency analysis for 1st, 2nd and 3rd generation PV technologies (I, II, and III, respectively)

[Adapted from M. Green "Third Generation Photovoltaics", Springer-Verlag, 2003]



Third generation solar cell - very high efficiency (Region IIIa)

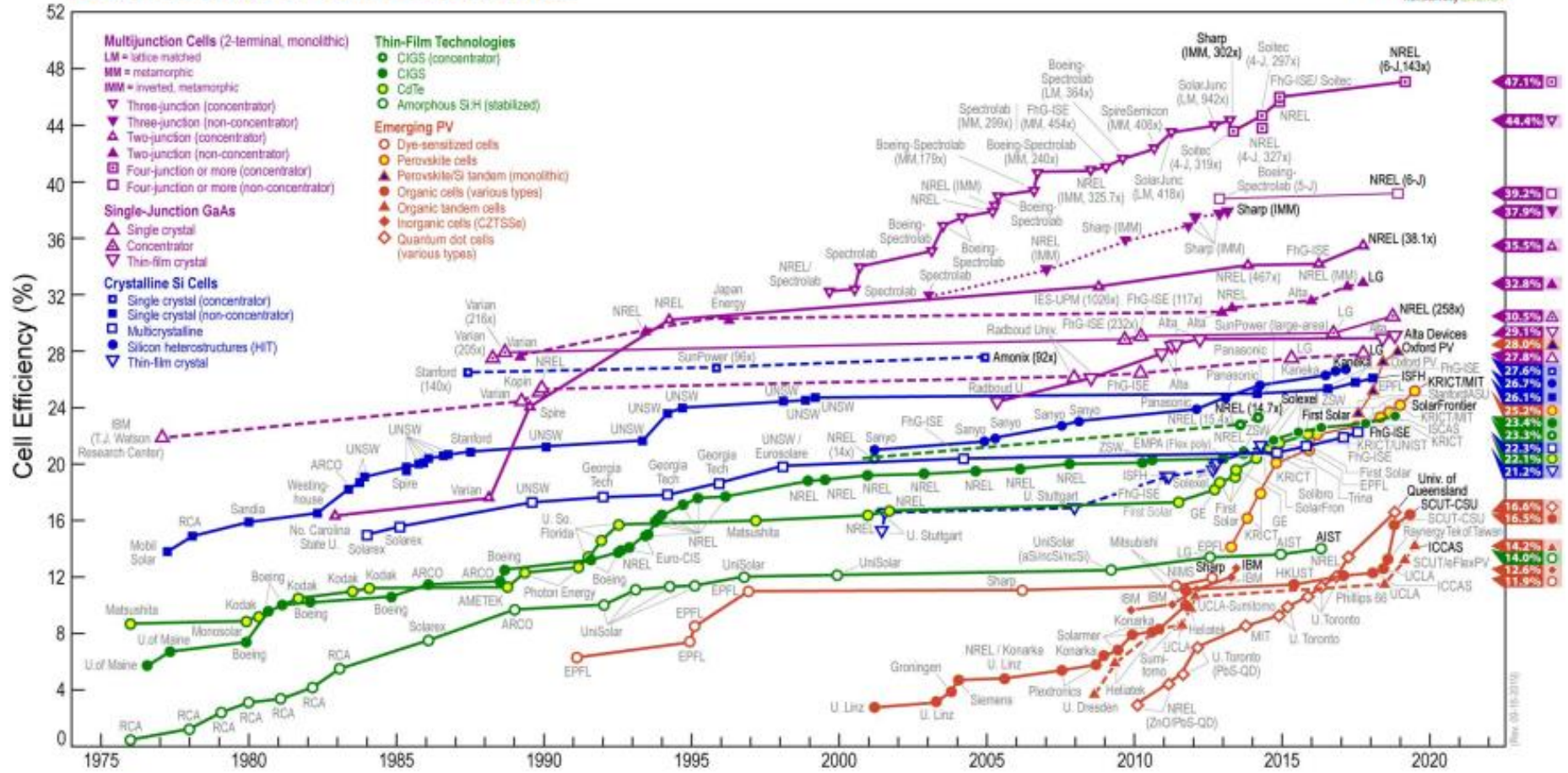
	Spectral conversion	Spectral splitting	Using excess energy
1 photon ↓ 1 electron		<p>Multi-junction</p>	<p>Hot-carrier</p>
2 particles (low energy) ↓ 1 particle (high energy)	<p>Up-conversion</p>	<p>Intermediate-band</p>	<p>Intermediate-band-assisted hot-carrier</p>
1 particle (high energy) ↓ 2 particles (low energy)	<p>Down-conversion</p>		<p>Multiple-exciton generation</p>

Types of solar cells to exceed the Shockley–Quiseer limit.

Only multijunctions solar cells reached very high efficiency!!

Best research cell efficiencies

Best Research-Cell Efficiencies





Efficiency limits third generation solar cells

Limit	η (max. concentration) %	η (AM1.5) %
Lansberg	93.3	73.7
∞ - cells	86.8	69.0
2 - cells	55.7	42.5
3 - cells	63.8	49.3
Hot carrier	85.0	65.0
IBSC	63.2	
MEG		
Down converter DC		36.7 (Si)
Up-converter		48 (Si)
Single junction Si	40.8	31.0

max. concentration $f_{\max} = (d_{zs}/r_s)^2 = 46\,198 (2)$ for vaccum
 d_{zs} the distance from the Earth to the Sun, and r_s the radius of the Sun.



Multijunction solar cells

	J_{sc} [mA/cm ²]	V_{oc} [mV]	FF [%]	PCE [%]	S [cm ²]	suns		year
4-junctions concentration				46,0	0,052	508	Fraunhofer ISE, Soitec	10. 2014
2-junctions				35,5	0,1	38,1	NREL	10.2017
4-junctions without concentration	8,457	5549	83,5	39,2	0,247	1	NREL	11.2018
2 junction without concentration	14,56	2570	87,7	32,8	1	1	LG Electronics	09.2017
1-junction GaAs, concentration				30,5	0,1004	258	NREL	10.2018

<https://spectrum.ieee.org/static/interactive-record-breaking-pv-cells>



Multijunction solar cells- high concentration

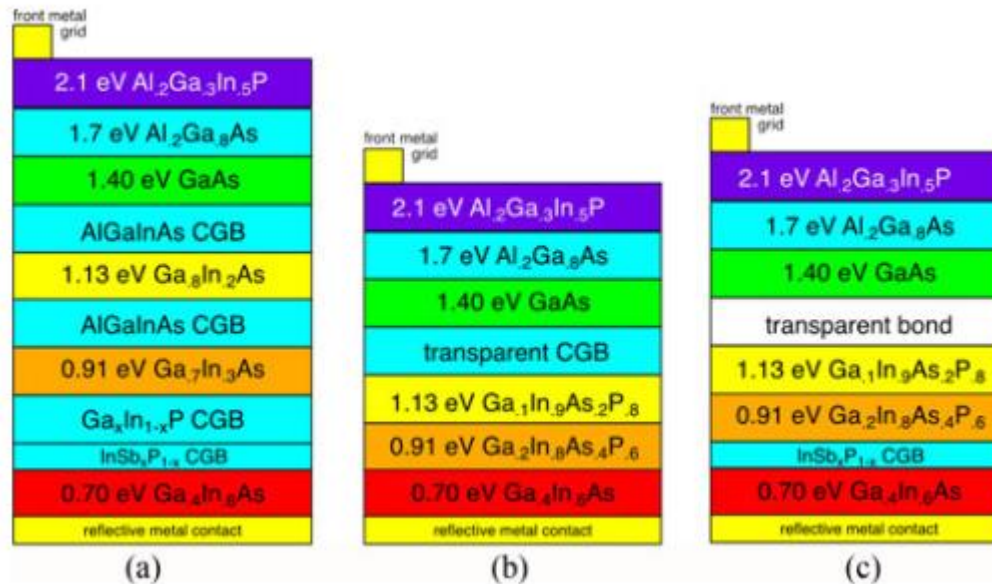


Fig. 1. Schematic for 6J design strategies. The second junction in any of these designs could also be composed of the 1.7-eV quaternary $\text{Ga}_{0.7}\text{In}_{0.3}\text{As}_{0.3}\text{P}_{0.7}$.

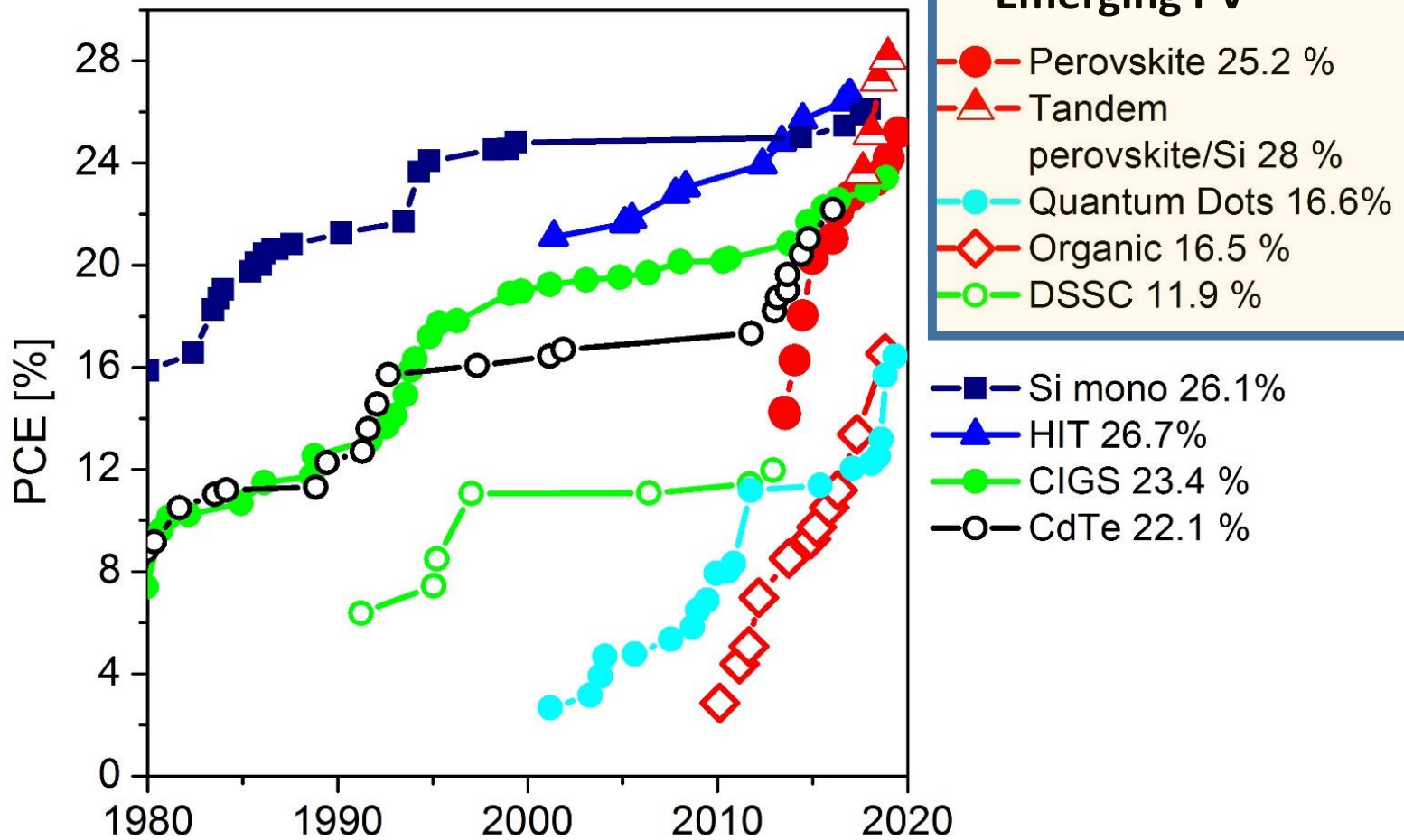
HIGH-CONCENTRATION photovoltaics (HCPV) in high direct normal irradiance regions have the potential to become the lowest cost utility-scale solar energy technology. Because of the lower capital investments required to manufacture and install HCPV systems compared with traditional flat-plate photovoltaics (PV), this technology also has the potential to rapidly scale up.

Efficiency 47.1 % was reached.

John F. Geisz et al., Building a Six-Junction Inverted Metamorphic Concentrator Solar Cell , IEEE JOURNAL OF PHOTOVOLTAICS, 8(2) (2018) 626-632.



Emerging PV

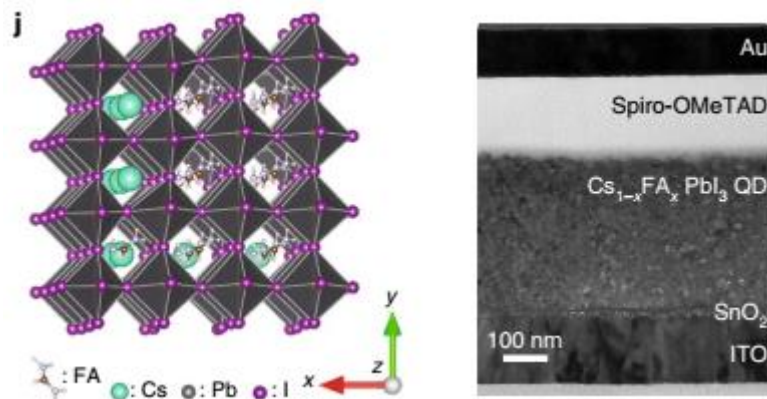




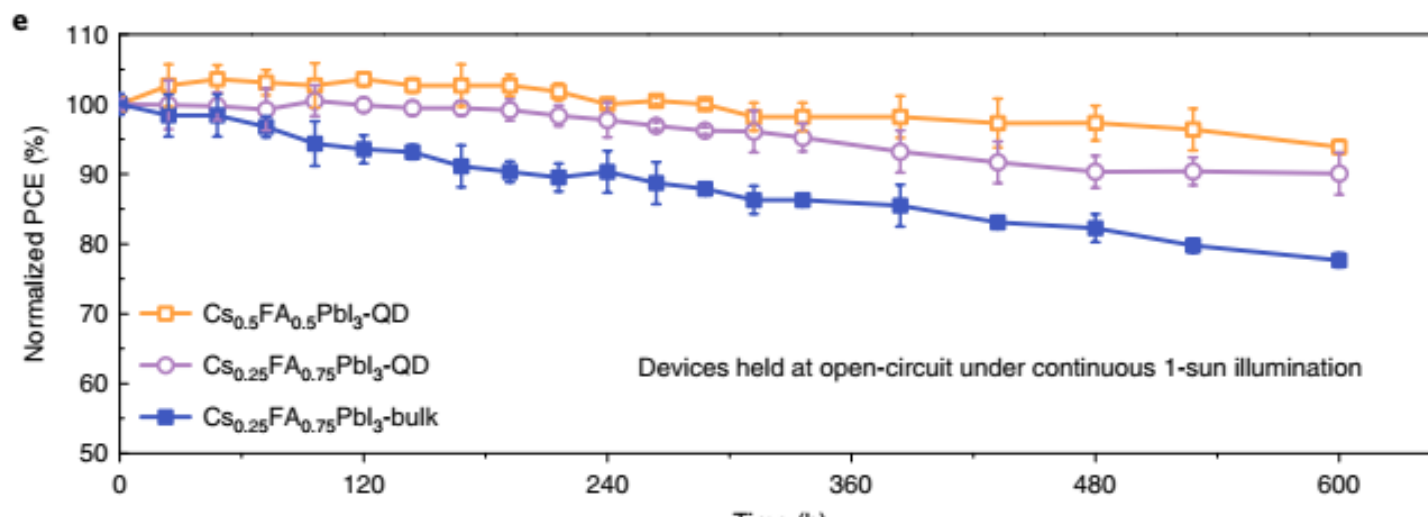
QD solar cells

Ligand-assisted cation-exchange engineering for high-efficiency colloidal $\text{Cs}_{1-x}\text{FA}_x\text{PbI}_3$ quantum dot solar cells with reduced phase segregation

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The best $\text{Cs}_{0.5}\text{FA}_{0.5}\text{PbI}_3$
PCE = QDS 16.6 % (certified record)



94 % of the original PCE under continuous 1-sun illumination for 600 h



Luminescent Solar Concentrators (LSC's)

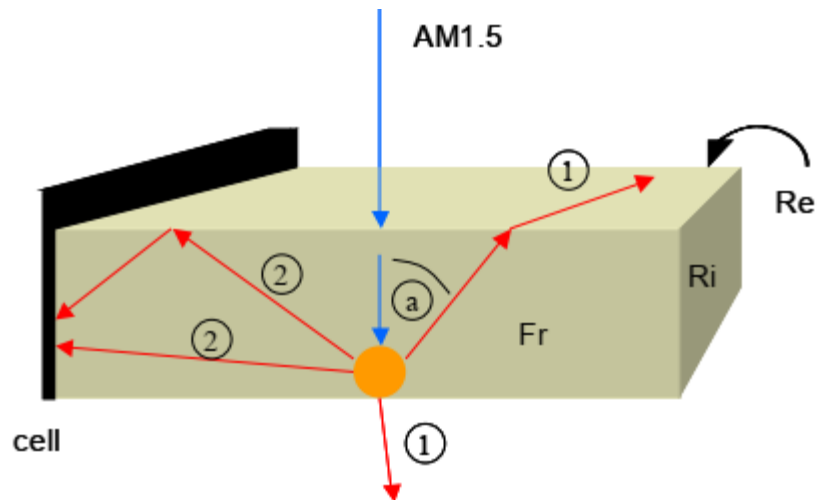
THE LUMINESCENT CONCENTRATOR: A BRIGHT IDEA FOR SPECTRUM CONVERSION?

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The LSC has an important advantage over geometric concentrators. Both direct and diffuse sunlight is collected, making solar tracking unnecessary.

Presented at the 20th European Photovoltaic Solar Energy Conference and Exhibition,
Barcelona, Spain, 6-10 June 2005

In an LSC **fluorescent dyes** or **Qdots** absorb and re-emit light isotropically, and due to total internal reflection the reemitted light is highly concentrated on the small edges of the collector.

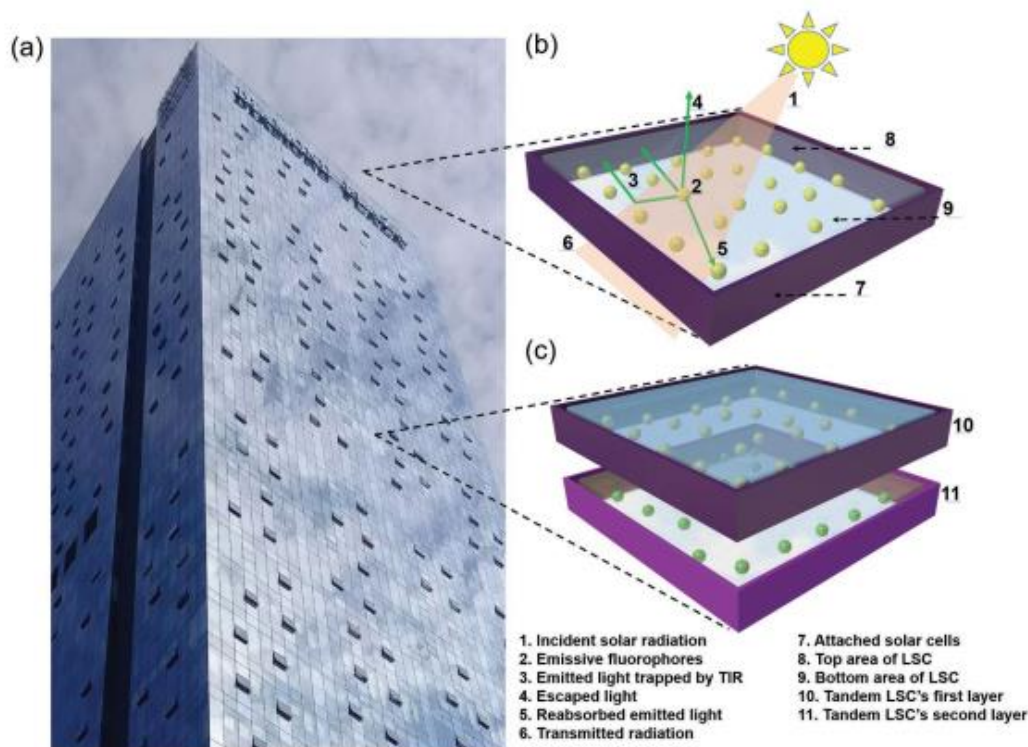


Eco-Friendly Colloidal Quantum Dot-Based Luminescent Solar Concentrators

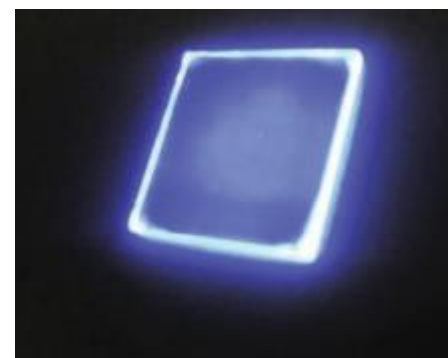
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LSC for building integrated photovoltaic (PV) systems



N-doped carbon QDots based LSC under UV illumination



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Table 1. Comparison of the parameters of various eco-friendly CQD/nanocrystal-based LSCs.

Fluorophore	QY [%]	Absorption range [nm]	Emission range [nm]	Stokes shift	LSC size [cm ³]	Optical efficiency [%]	PCE [%]
N-doped carbon QDs	–	300–550	400–650	–	2.5 × 1.6 × 0.1	4.75	3.94
N-doped carbon QDs	–	UV to 420	400–500	–	1.8 × 1.8 × 0.11	5.02	4.97
Carbon QDs ^{a)}	40	UV to 550	450–600	–	10 × 10 × 0.2	1.1	–
Si QDs	55	UV to 600	600–1000	400 meV	12 × 12 × 0.26	2.85	–
InP/ZnO QDs	–	UV to 550	550–700	–	9 × 1.5 × 0.3	1.45	–
CuInS ₂ /ZnS QDs	91	UV to 830	620–1240	> 550 meV	10 × 10 × –	8.1	2.94
CuInS ₂ /ZnS QDs	56	UV to 500	450–750	> 150 nm	2.2 × 2.2 × 0.3	26.5	8.71
CuInS ₂ /ZnS QDs	65	UV to 500	450–700	–	2 × 2 × 0.8	–	4.20
Zn and Al co-doped CuInS ₂ QDs	–	UV to 800	600–900	–	1.8 × 1.8 × 0.11	6.97	3.18
CuInSe ₂ /ZnS QDs ^{a)}	72	UV to 800	650–1000	–	15.2 × 15.2 × 0.16	6.4	3.1
CuInSe ₂ S _{2-x} QDs	40	UV to 900	800–1250	530 meV	12 × 12 × 0.3	3.2	–
AgInS ₂ /ZnS QDs	60	UV to 800	500–1240	–	5 × 5 × 3	3.94	–
GSH-AuNCs	–	UV to 500	500–800	–	2 × 2 × 0.2	–	–
Zn-AuNCs	53	UV to 500	350–550	–	2 × 2 × 0.2	–	–

^{a)}Tandem LSC.

Further optimization is needed.

Application: net-zero power consumption of future urban buildings.

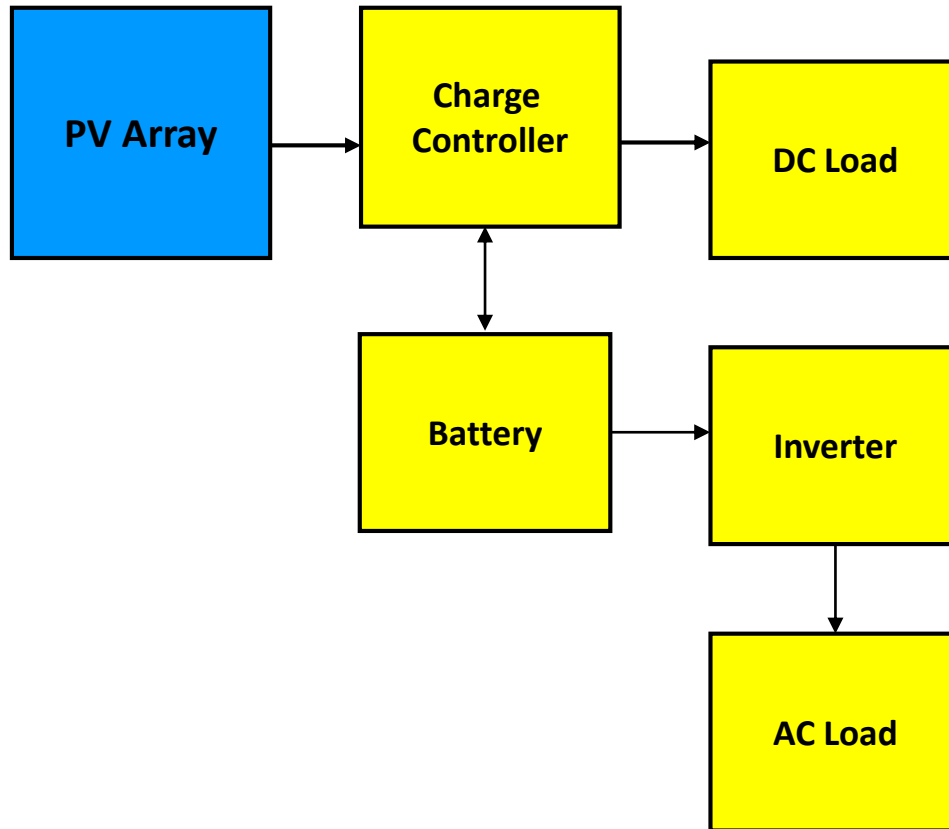


Photovoltaic Power System Types

- Stand-alone
- Grid-connected
- Hybrid



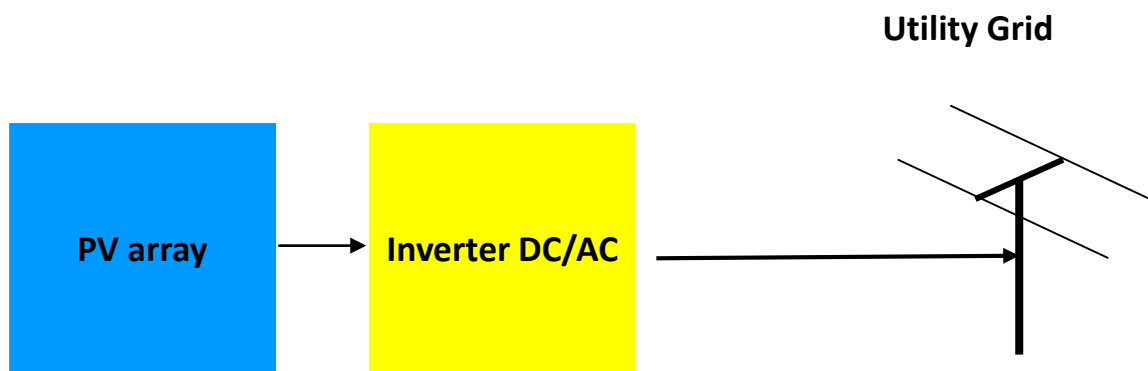
Stand-alone



Scheme of stand-alone (off grid) PV system

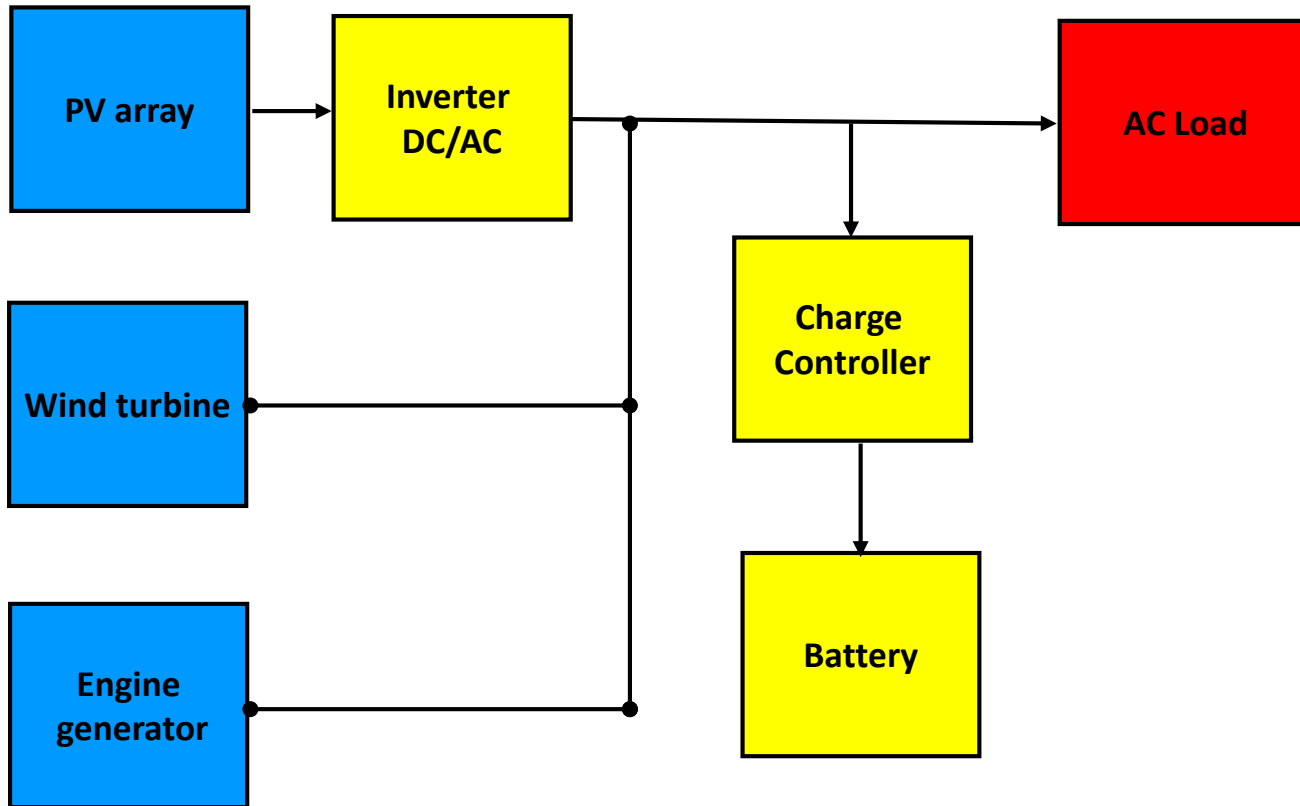


Grid-connected without battery





Hybride system (PV/Auxiliary Generators)



Scheme of Hybride System (PV/Auxiliary Generators)



Photovoltaic Power System Types



**Stand-alone system
(autonomus)
– off grid**



Grid conected



**Free standing
system**



**Roof
system**



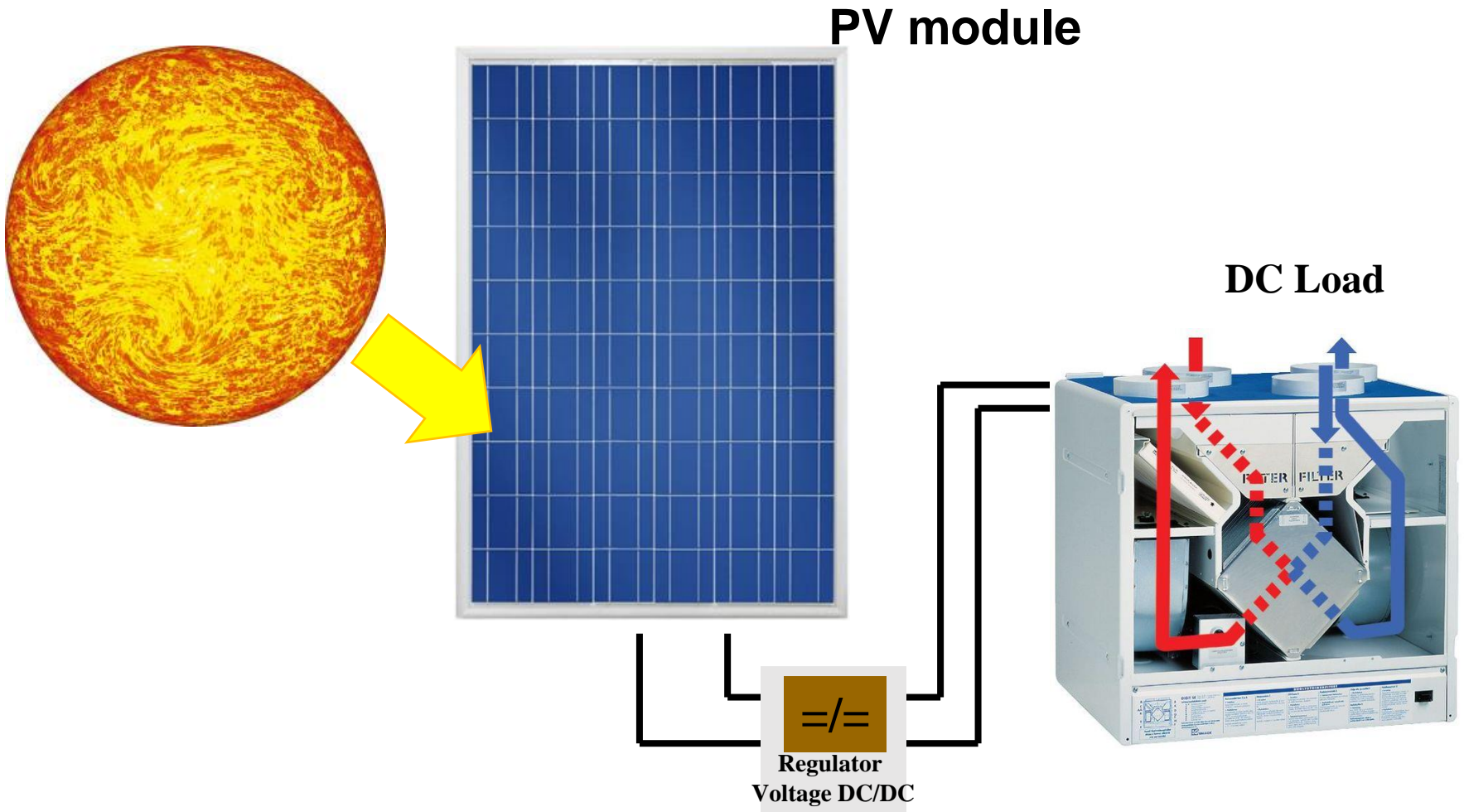
**integrated
with the
building BIPS**

without tracking system

with tracking system

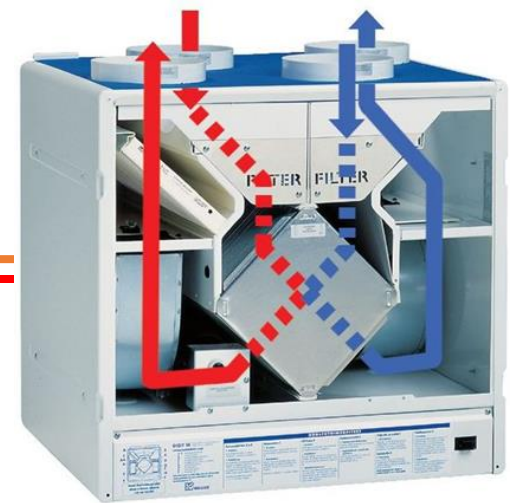


System PV without storage



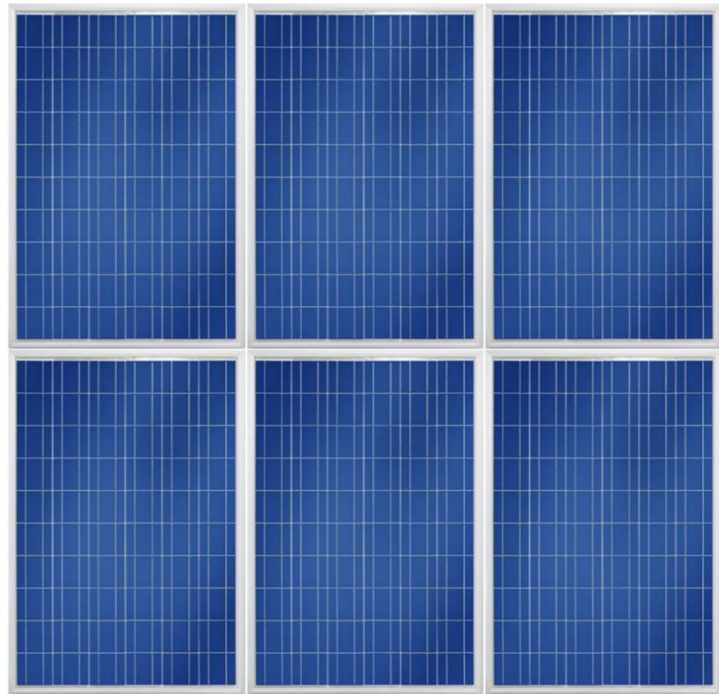


Stand-alone system DC





Grid connected PV system



PV modules

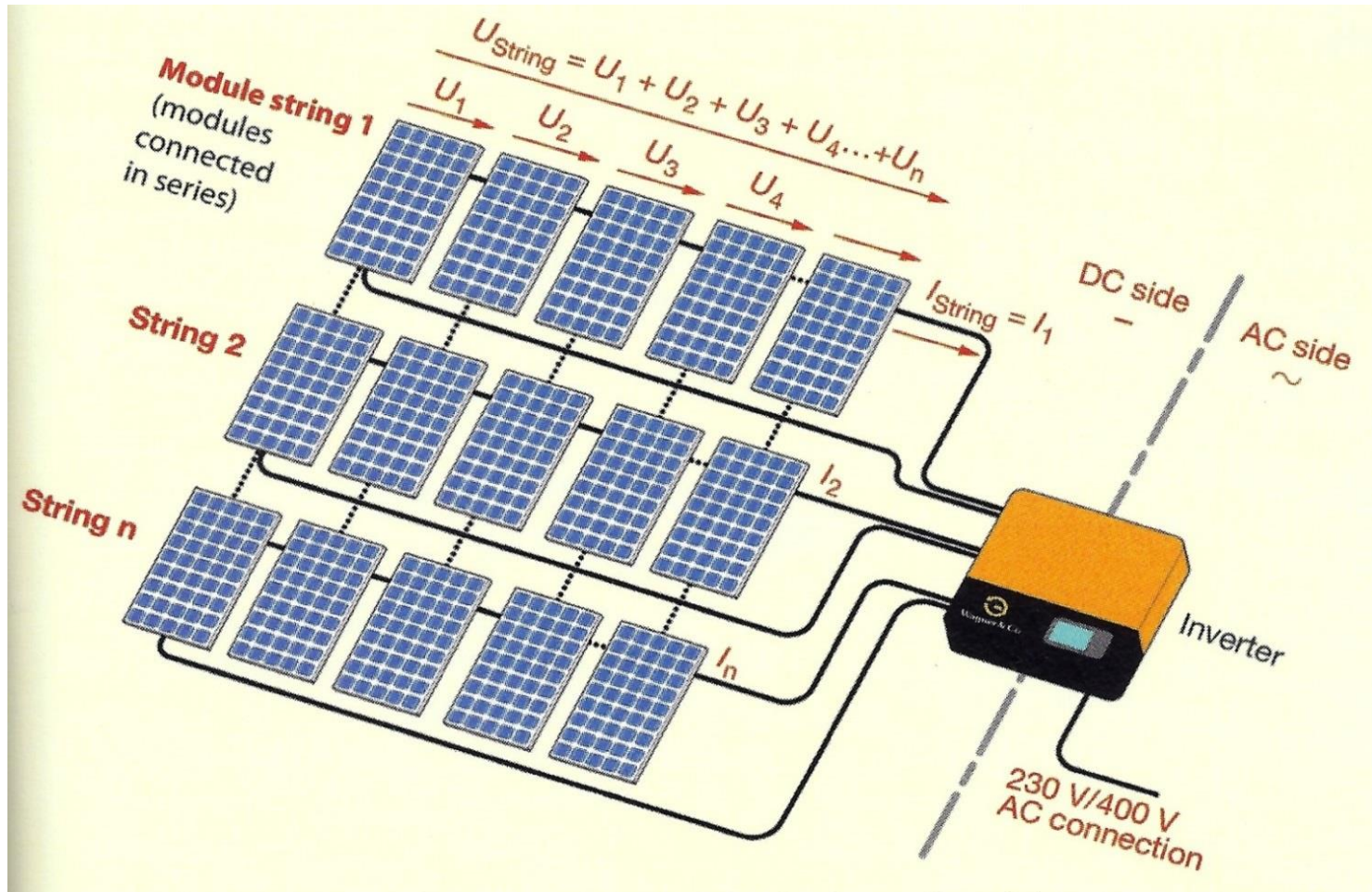


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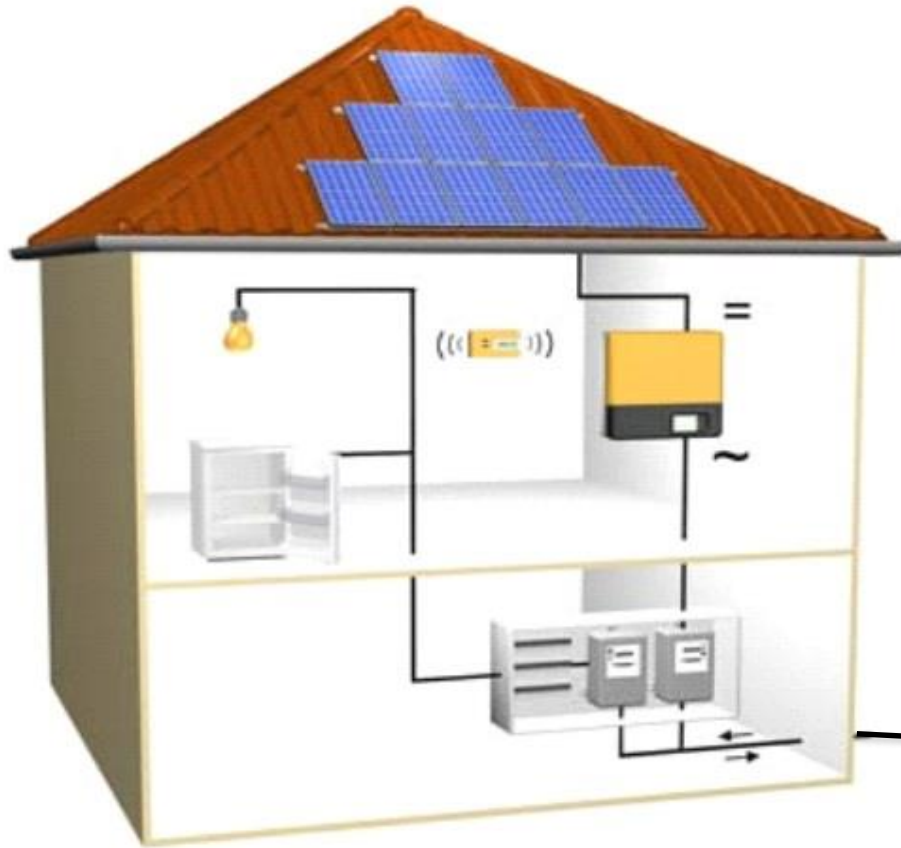


PV array





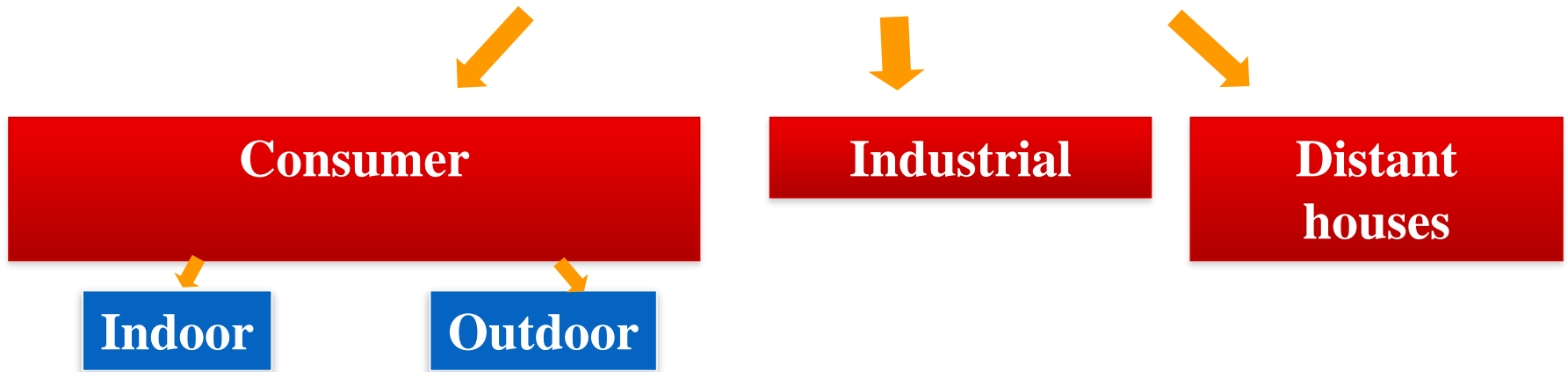
PV system grid-connected





Types of stand-alone (autonomous systems)

Stand-alone PV systems





Types of grid connected PV systems

Grid connected PV systems



Decentralized

**Roofs
School
Facades
Parking
Transport routes**



Centralized

PV plant



Hybrid PV systems

Box 11. HYBRID RENEWABLES DEVELOPMENTS

Reflecting the many benefits available from combining renewables power generation sources with storage, projects have been initiated in various countries.

HYBRID RENEWABLES DEVELOPMENTS IN COUNTRIES

Europe	Vestas and EDP completed Spain's first hybrid 3.3 MW wind-solar project in 2018.
India	In 2016, India introduced a national wind-solar hybrid policy to resolve grid integration issues, with a proposed target of 10 GW of hybrid projects to be installed by 2022 (Zion Market Research, 2019). Just prior to approval of this policy, Hero Future Energies completed India's first hybrid project, combining a 50 MW wind farm with a 28.8 MW solar PV site in Raichur district in April 2018. This project is aimed to be retrofitted with lithium-ion battery storage technology to combat curtailment during times of strong wind resource availability. The Solar Energy Corporation of India recent issued tenders for 2.5 GW of hybrid wind and solar projects to be connected to the country's Interstate Transmission System.
Unites States	GE Renewable Energy aims to develop the country's first commercial integrated 4.6 MW hybrid wind and solar project, in the state of Minnesota. NextEra and the US utility Portland General Electric will build a 380 MW wind-solar plus storage hybrid project in eastern Oregon.

Hybrid PV systems



The Danish wind specialist and the renewable energy unit of the Portuguese utility have installed the 3.3 MW power facility near Cadiz, in the Spanish region of Andalucia.



Lack of sites with transmission infrastructure, technical issues such as grid balancing and tariffs pose challenges to hybrid project roll-out in India.

www.pv-magazine.com/2020/06/11/india-set-to-add-15-gw-of-wind-solar-hybrid-capacity-in-five-years/

Image: hpgruesen/Pixabay

<https://www.pv-magazine.com/2018/03/27/vestas-and-edp-completes-hybrid-wind-solar-project-in-southern-spain/>



Agrophotovoltaics

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On the Coexistence of Solar-Energy Conversion and Plant Cultivation

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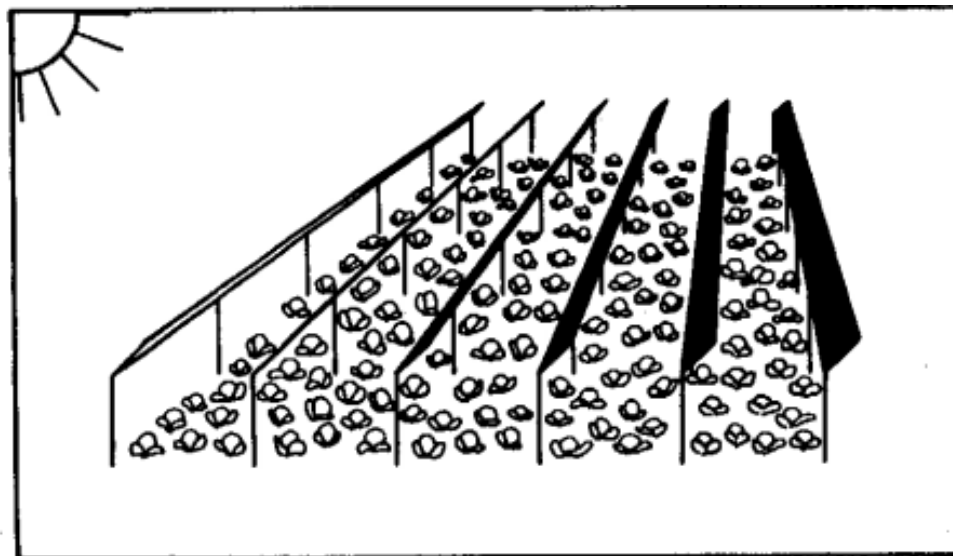


FIGURE 1 Model sketch of elevated collector field.



Agrophotovoltaics



Image by Fraunhofer ISE (www.ise.fraunhofer.de).

April 15 (Renewables Now) - A project in Germany testing the agrophotovoltaic (APV) concept has shown a land use efficiency of 160 % in 2017 and as much as 186 % in 2018, the Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE said Friday.

<https://renewablesnow.com/news/german-agro-pv-trial-shows-up-to-186-land-use-efficiency-650768/>

Agrophotovoltaics

The “Agrophotovoltaics – Resource Efficient Land Use (APV-RESOLA)” project evaluated the benefits of producing both solar power and crops on arable land near Lake Constance. The partners in the project installed a solar system of 194 kW on a five-meter-high structure on land used to grow winter wheat, potatoes, clover and celery.

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Elements of solar installation



Electrical parameters of the photovoltaic module

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS	
STC rated output (P_{mpp})*	250 Wp
PTC rated output (P_{mpp})**	223.0 Wp
Standard sorted output	
Warranted power output STC ($P_{mpp\ min}$)	250 Wp
Rated voltage (V_{mpp}) at STC	30.48 V
Rated current (I_{mpp}) at STC	8.23 A
Open circuit voltage (V_{oc}) at STC	38.09 V
Short circuit current (I_{sc}) at STC	8.64 A
Module efficiency	15.2%

PTC: “Photovoltaics for Utility Scale Applications Test Conditions” or PVUSA Test Conditions



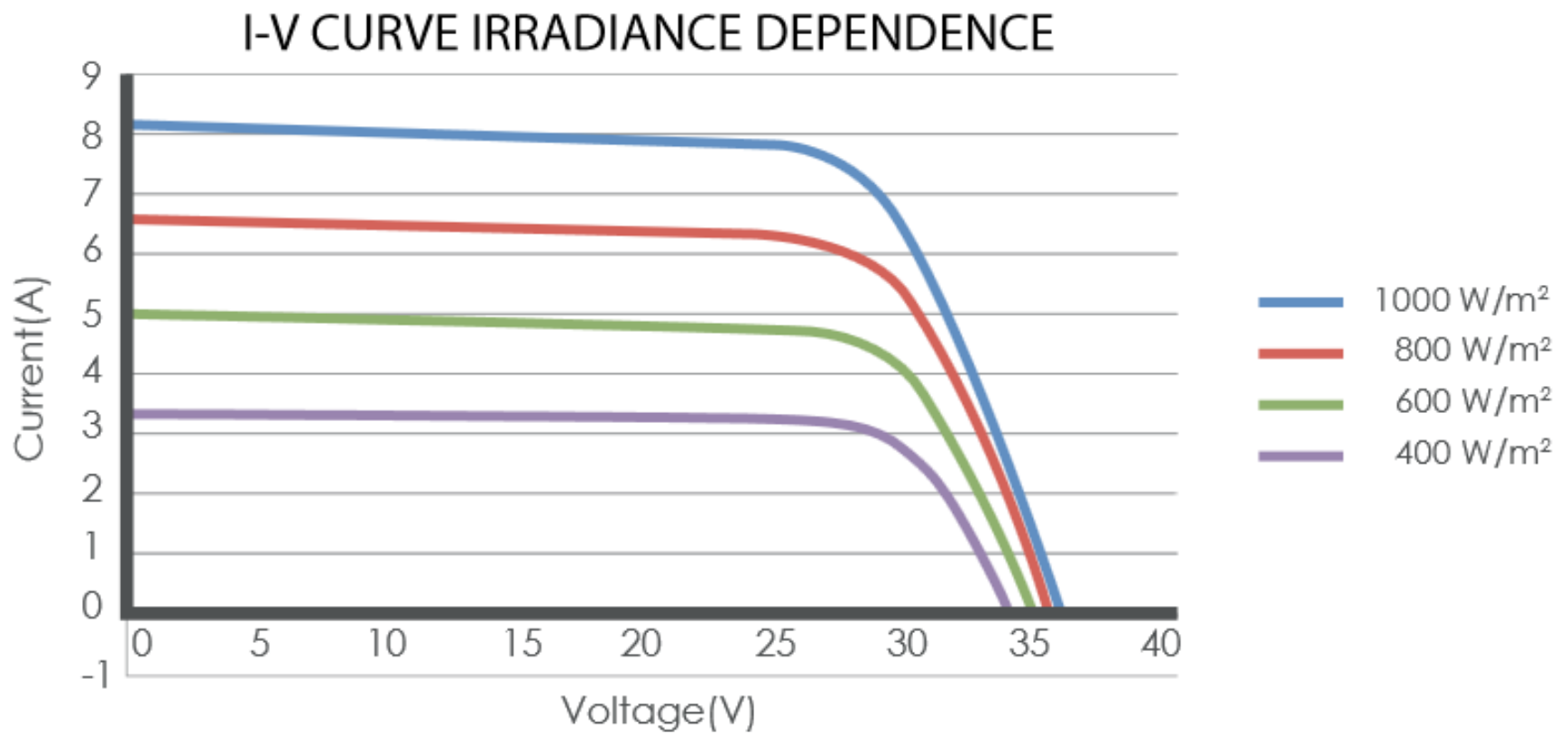
Mechanical parameters

MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Outer dimensions (L x W x H)	1652 x 994 x 45 mm 65.04 x 39.13 x 1.77 in
Frame technology	Aluminum, silver anodized
Module composition	Glass / EVA / Backsheet (white)
Weight (module only)	20 kg / 44.0 lbs
Front glass thickness	3.2 mm / 0.13 in
Junction box IP rating	IP 65
Cable length / diameter (UL)	1000 mm / 39.37 in / 12 AWG
Cable length / diameter (IEC)	1000 mm / 39.37 in / 4 mm ²
Maximum load capacity	5400 Pa
Fire class	C
Connector type (UL)	Multi Contact type 4
Connector type (TUV)	MC type 4 compatible



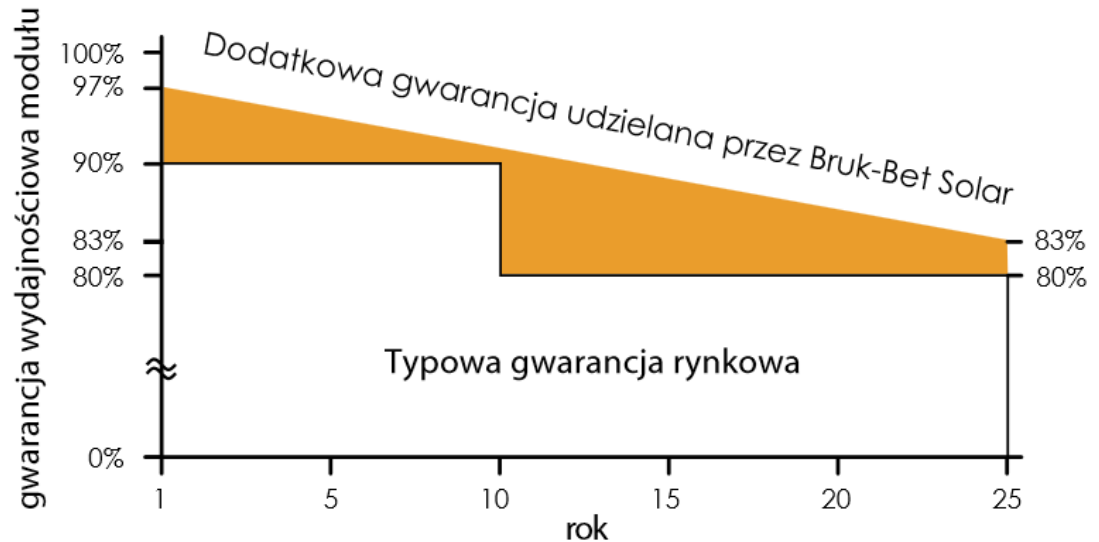
Electrical parameters of the photovoltaic module





Tests in the module certification process

- ✓ *Visual inspection*
- ✓ *UV preconditioning*
- ✓ *Damp heat test, DH*
- ✓ *Humidity-freeze, HF*
- ✓ *Mechanical Load test*
- ✓ *Thermal cycling, TC*
- ✓ *Hail impact test*



DH : temperature $85 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$, relative humidity: $(85 \pm 5)\%$ test duration 1000 h

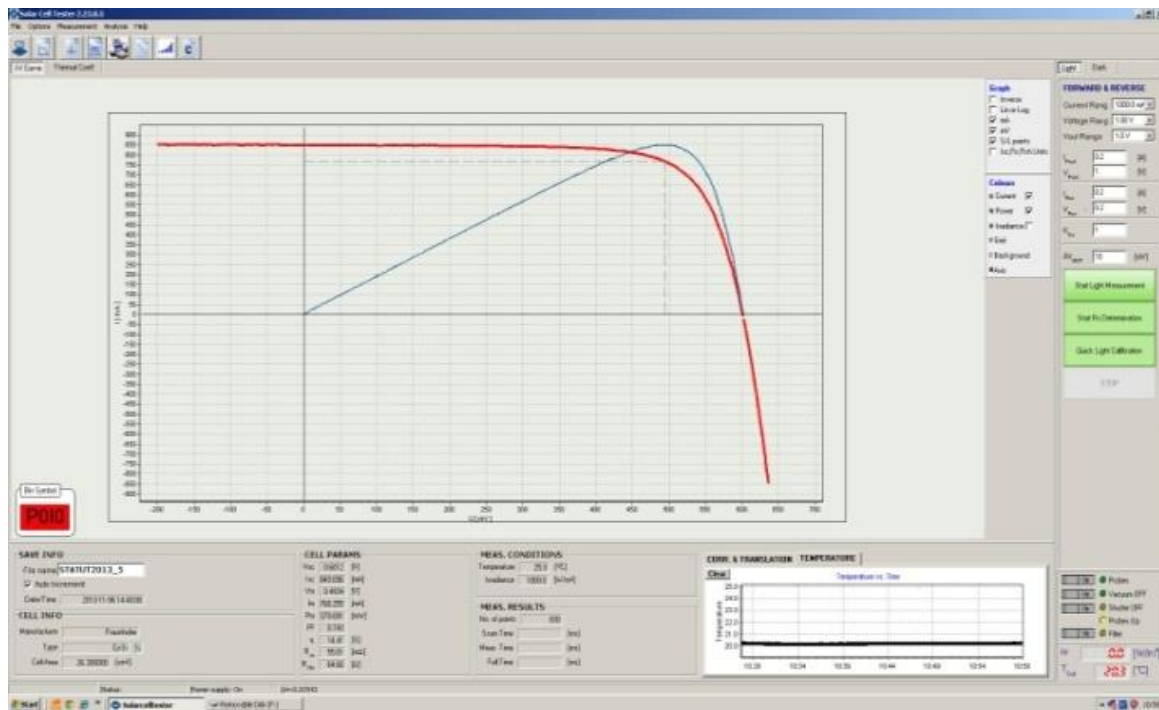
HF: Humidity Freeze - PV modules are exposed to cycles ranging between temperatures of 85°C with relative humidity of nearly 85 % and negative temperature reaching -40°C . PV modules are subjected to a total of 10 complete cycles in a closed climatic chamber.

TC thermal cycling test (200 cycles at -40°C to 85°C)



Certified measurements in the Photovoltaic Laboratory

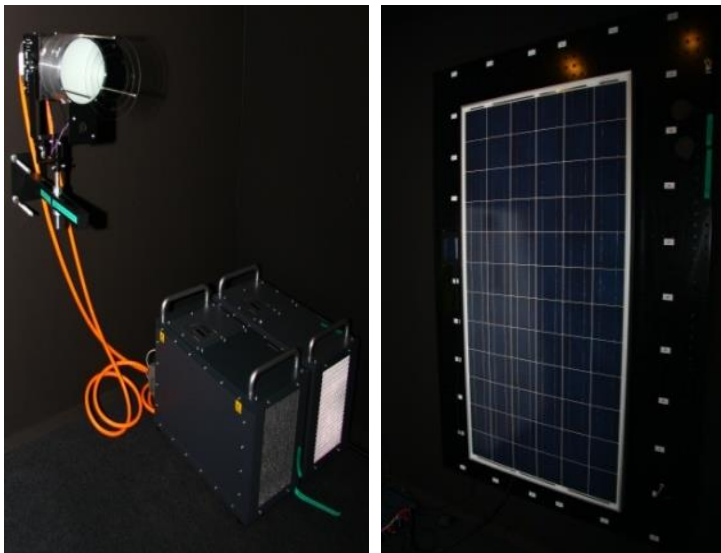
I-V characteristic solar cell



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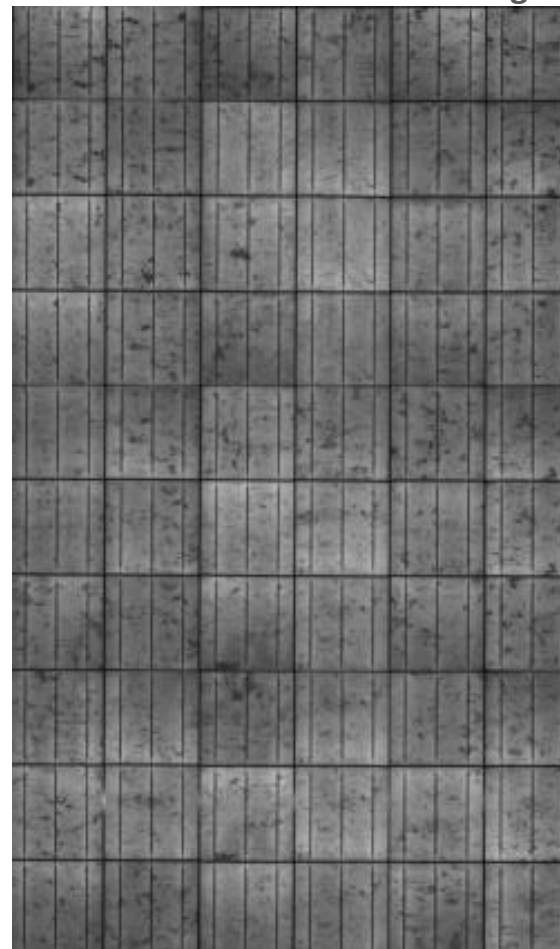


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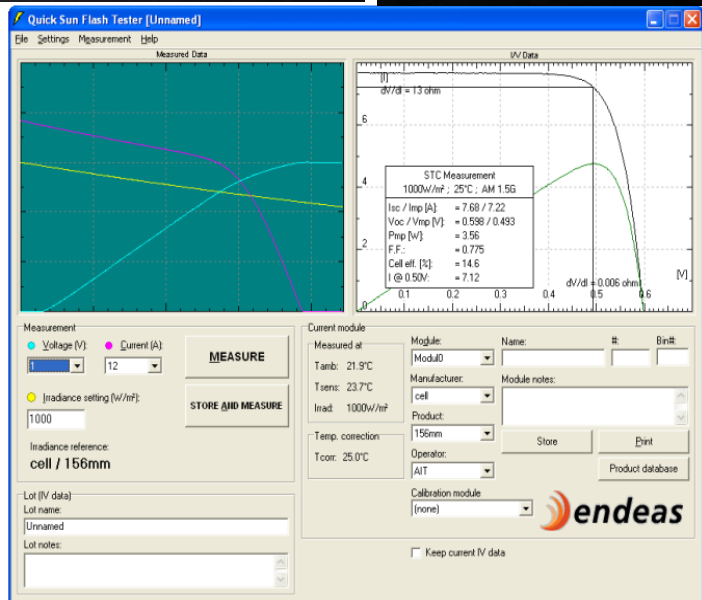


I-V characteristic solar cell

Electrical parameters:

- Isc
- Voc
- Impp
- Vmpp
- FF
- Eff
- Pmax

For STC





Solar system - actual implementation



Maximal Power for STC : 2.35 kWp

Number of PV modules: 10

PV modules: SFE 235 Wp

Total area of PV modules: 16.32 m²

Number of inverter: 1

Tilt angle: 35°

Azimut: 0°

Projected energy production: **2399** kWh

Źródło: Polskie Centrum Solarne

<http://2kw.krdglobalgroup.com/>

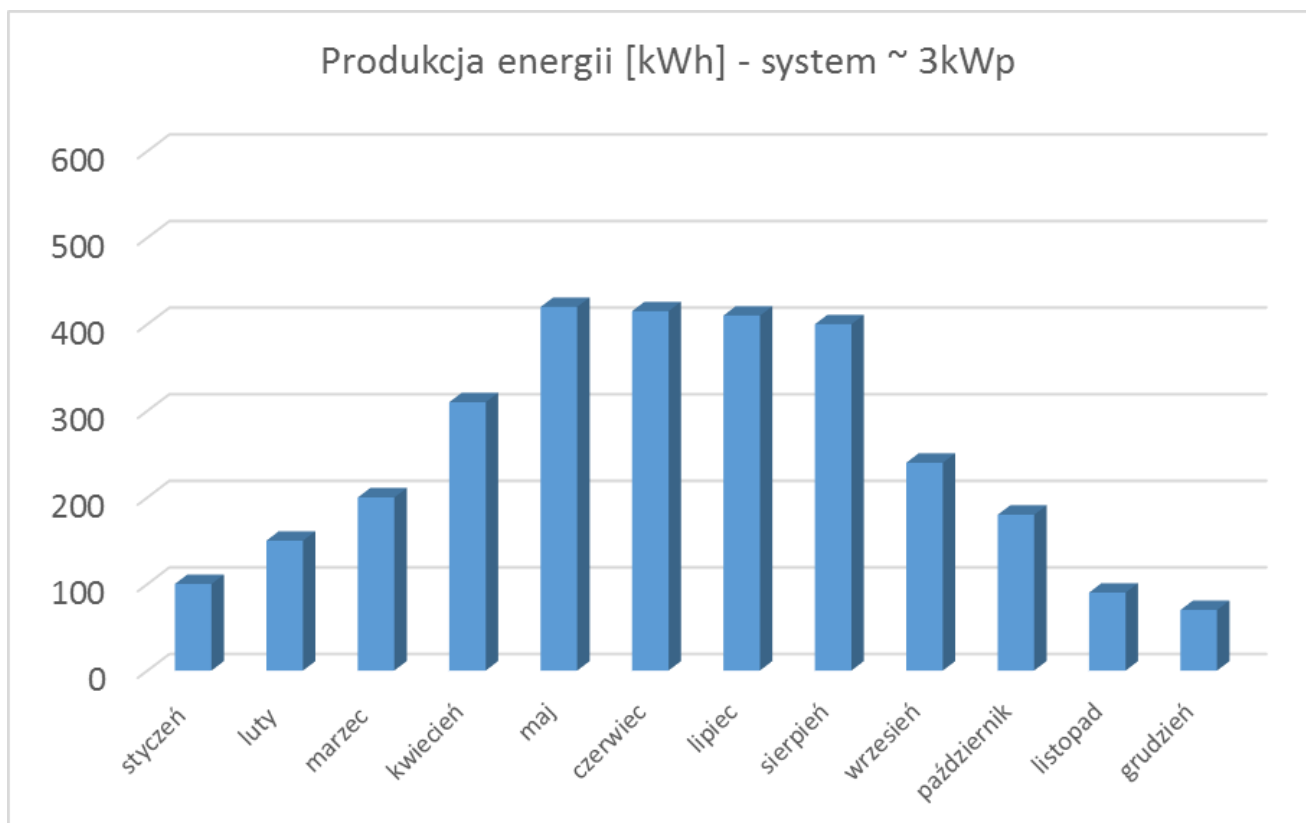


Solar system - actual implementation

Maximal Power for STC : **3,1 kWp**, Number of PV modules: **12**, ModulesL: Selfa **260 Wp**

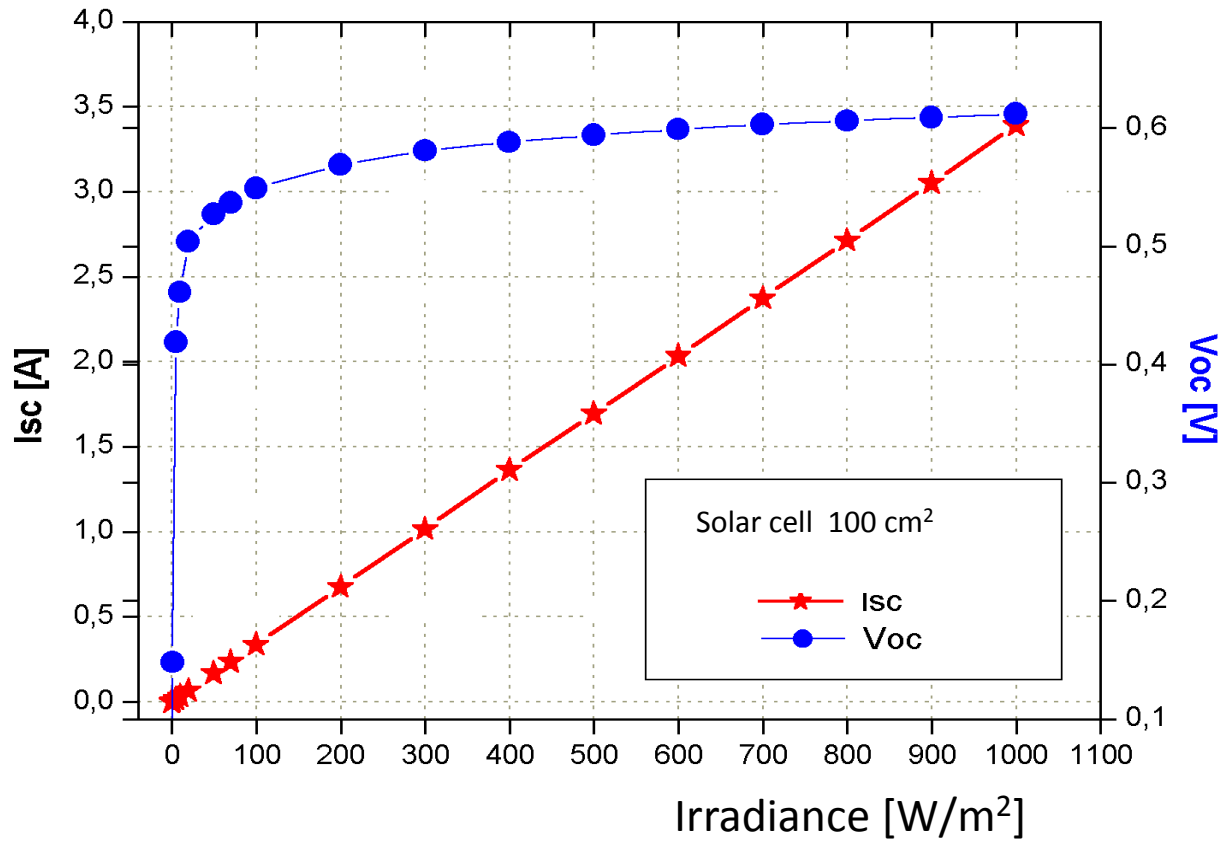
Total area: **20,4 m²**, Tilt angle: **32°**, Azimut: **0°**

Projected energy production: ~**3000 kWh**





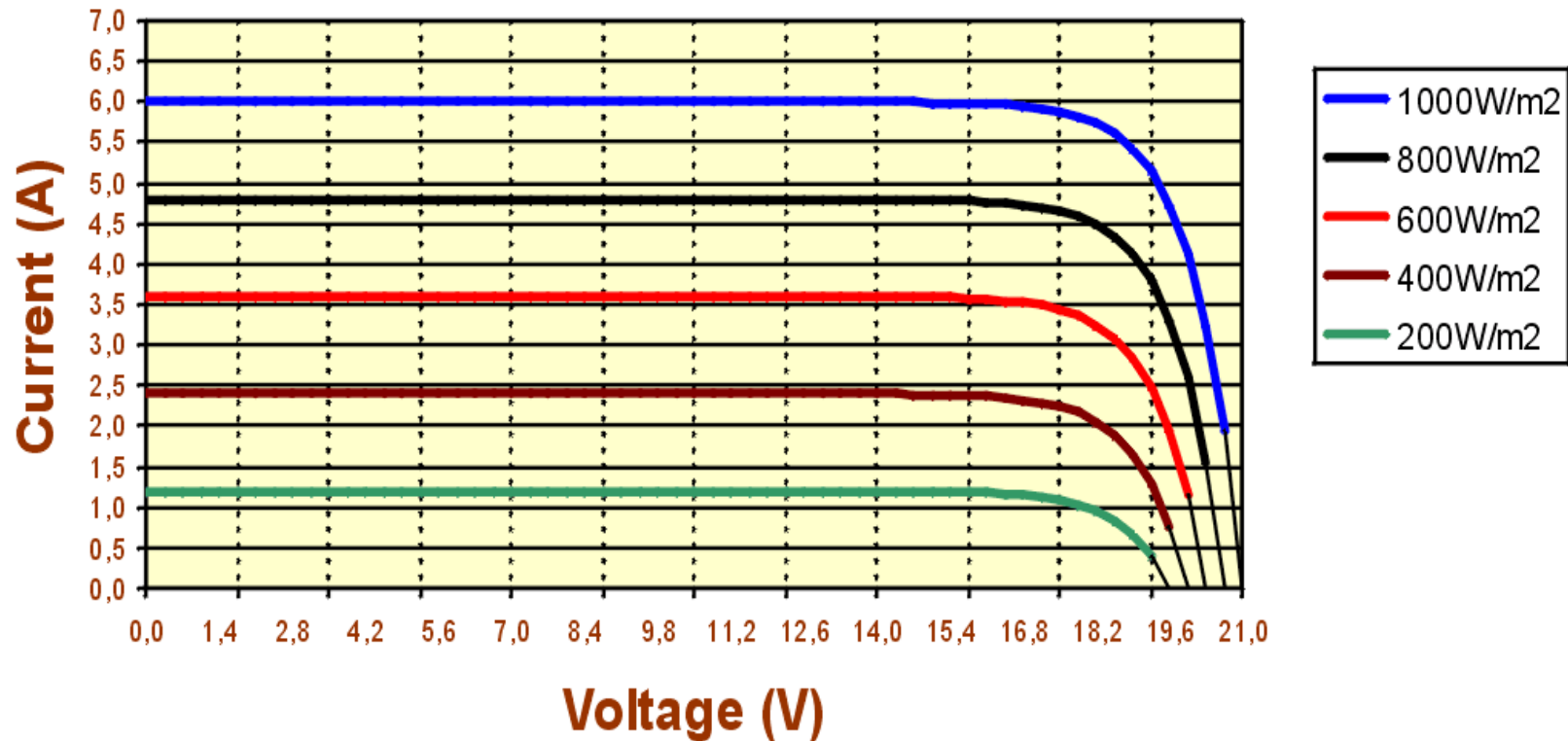
Dependence of basic solar cell parameters on the value of radiation intensity





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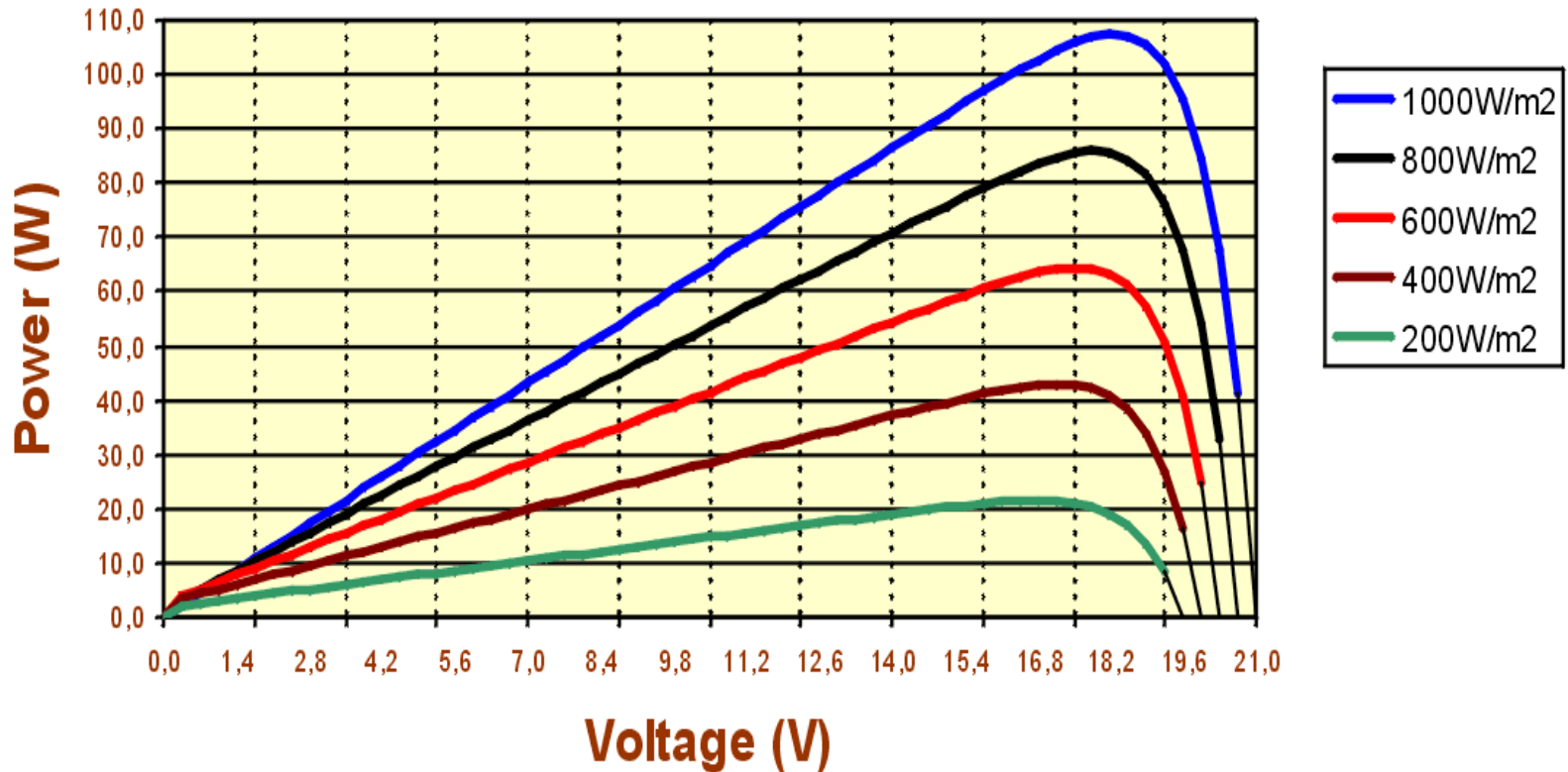
Module I-U characteristics





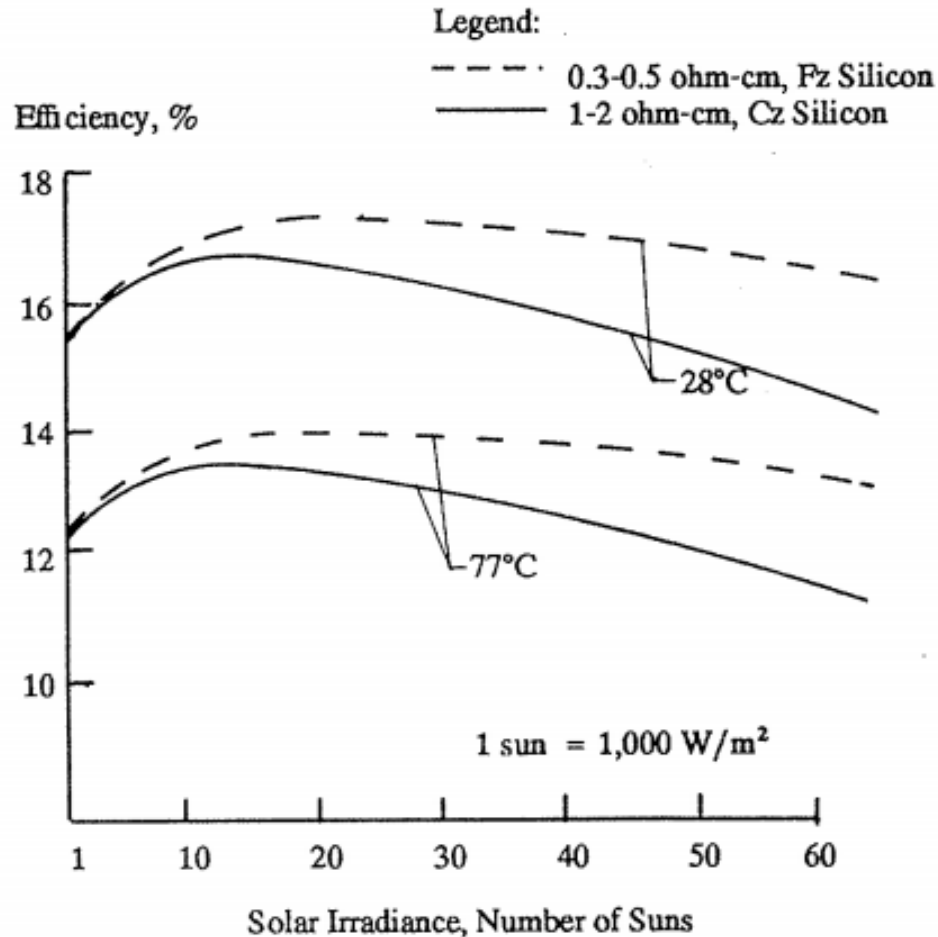
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Module power characteristics





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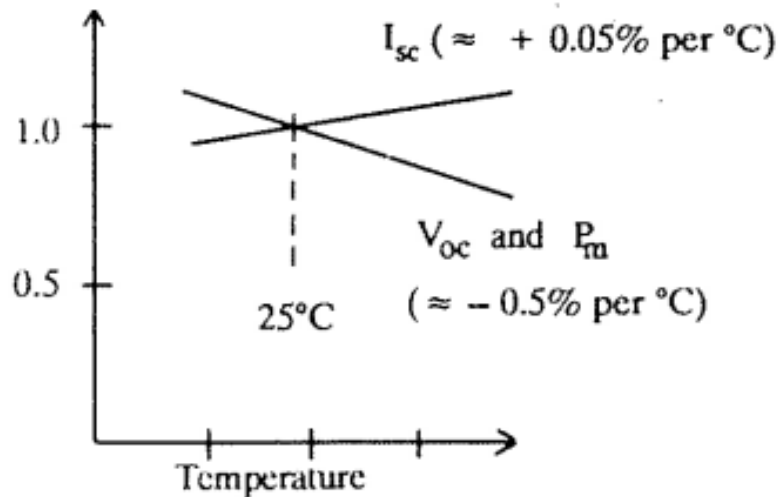




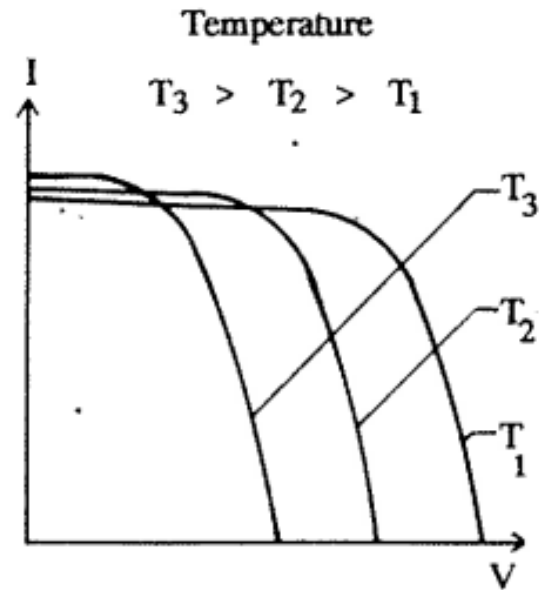
Dependence of basic solar cell parameters on the value of temperature

Positive Coefficients: I_{sc}
Negative Coefficients: V_{oc} and P_m

Normalized to 25°C



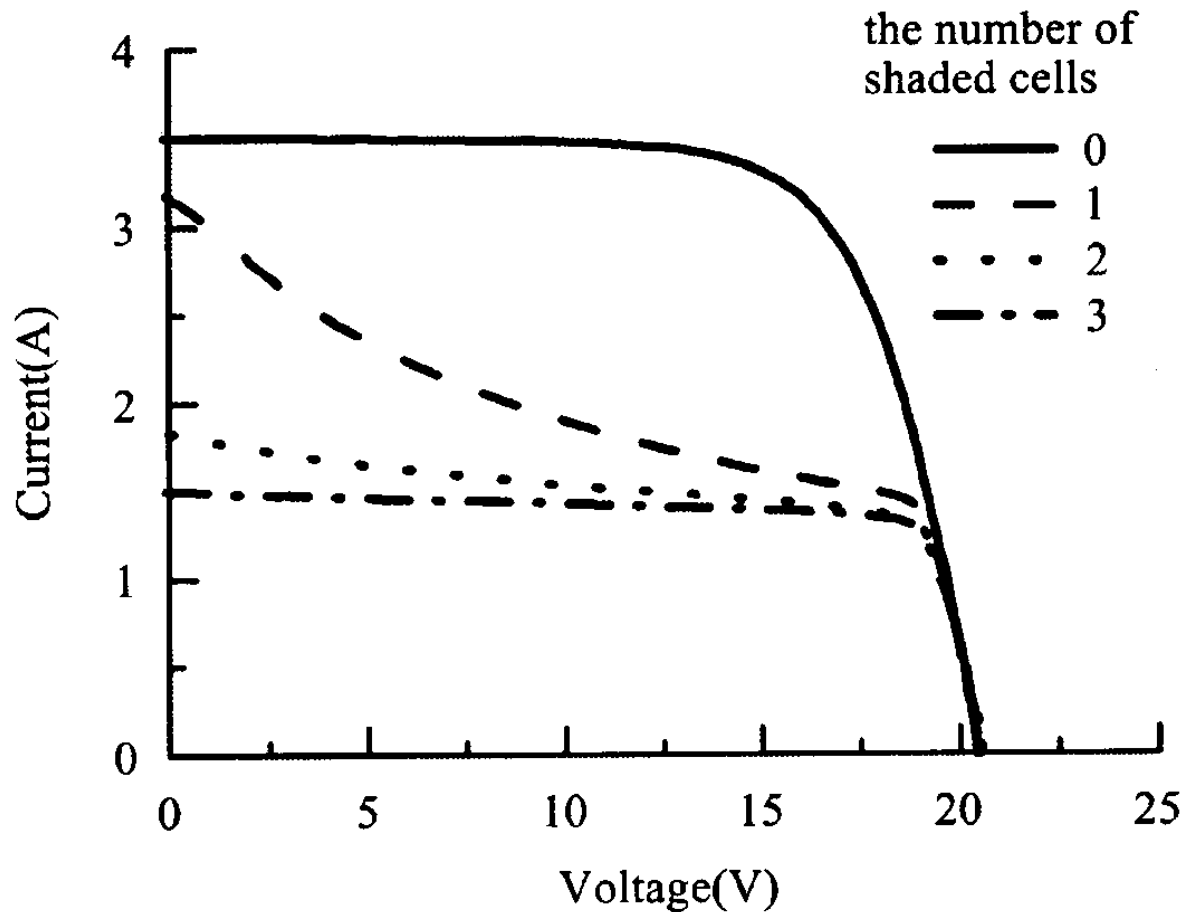
Temperature Coefficients



Temperature Effects on I-V Output

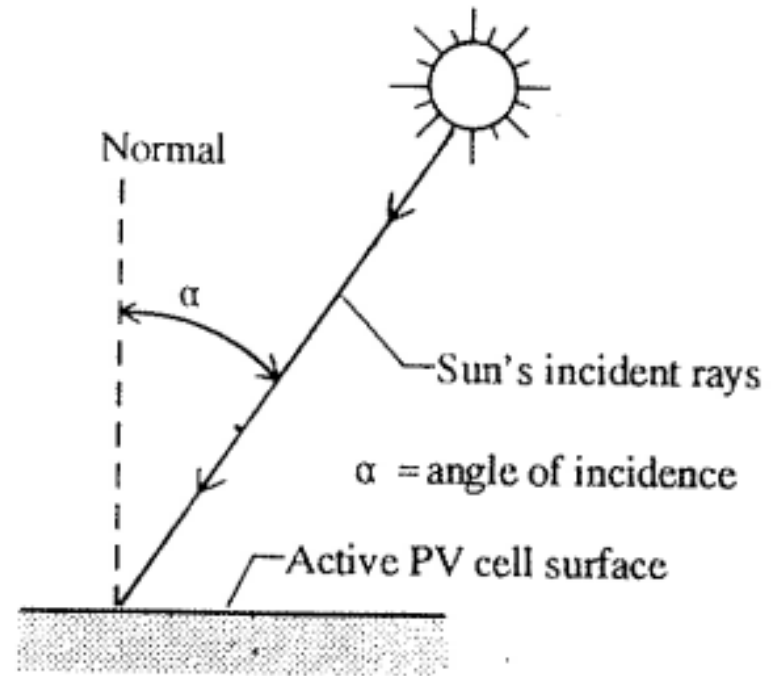
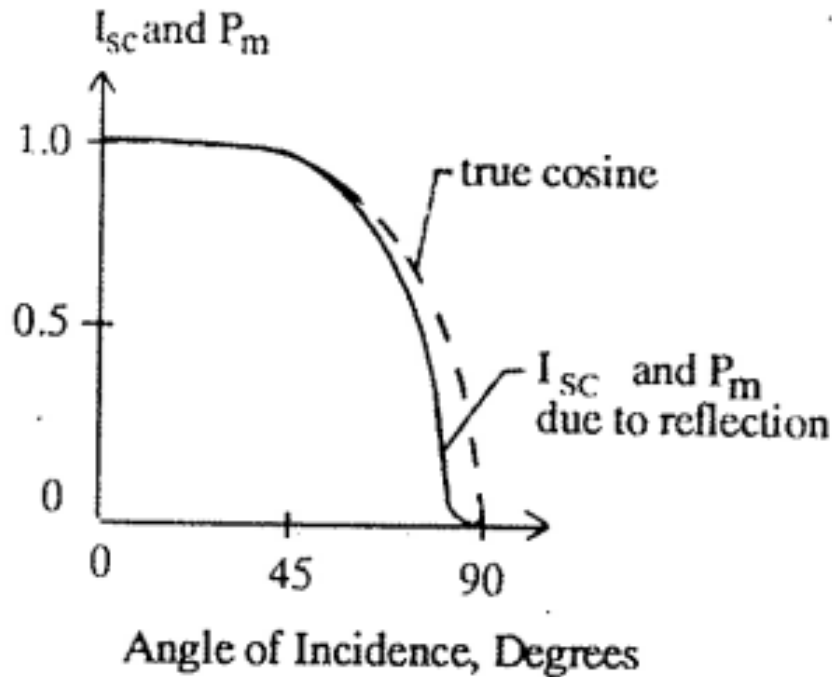


The effect of shading one link on the characteristics of the PV module





Dependence of I_{SC} on the value of angle of incidence



Effects of PV Module Orientation



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