

Heterojunction cells and homojunction cells

What is the difference between homojunction and heterojunction solar cells?

In a homojunction solar cell, the p and n-type semiconductors for window and absorbing layers are fabricated by doping the different elements into the same material. While in a heterojunction solar cell, the window layer and absorbing layer are fabricated using different materials [12,13].

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In homojunction cells a distinct space charge zone is present. In heterojunction cell, the p-region is separated from the n-region by a layer of intrinsic amorphous silicon, and the space charge region is not so pronounced, because of lower doping efficiencies and thinner layers, as compared to homojunction cells.

What is a heterojunction cell?

The HJT cell is a combination between an amorphous cell and a crystalline cell. Figure is not to scale. It shows how heterojunction cells are constructed by combining the architecture of an amorphous cell and a crystalline cell. The efficient amorphous surface passivation layers p-i and i-n are used to passivate the crystalline silicon bulk.

What are heterojunction solar cells?

Heterojunction cells combine a high photon absorbance of a thick silicon bulk material with the extraordinary passivation properties of amorphous silicon. Without losses in efficiency the thickness of Heterojunction solar cells can be reduced down to 80-100 μm . In Fig. 7.2 some typical examples for applications are presented.

How to make homojunction solar cells?

The design toolbox for fabricating the homojunction solar cells has been extensively developed. Various doping, diffusion, and growth processes have been applied in order to change the intrinsic semiconductor into p-type or n-type ones, thus forming the homojunction solar cells.

Do heterojunction cells work with passivated contacts?

In contrast to conventional crystalline homojunction cells, heterojunction cells (HJT cells) work with passivated contacts on both sides. This chapter explains the functioning of such passivated contacts; it discusses the tunnel effect: an effect, which is important for these contacts. The role of the various layers within HJT cells is described.

Here we demonstrate the concept of phase heterojunction (PHJ) solar cells by utilizing two polymorphs of the same material. We demonstrate the approach by forming g-CsPbI₃/v-CsPbI₃ perovskite ...

Due to stable and high power conversion efficiency (PCE), it is expected that silicon heterojunction (SHJ)

solar cells will dominate the photovoltaic market. So far, the highest PCE of ...

Organic-inorganic heterojunction perovskite solar cell (PSC) is promising for low-cost and high-performance photovoltaics. To further promote the performance of PSCs, understanding and controlling the underneath ...

Thus, the design of p-n homojunction TFSCs is highly desirable as an essential direction of structural innovation to realize efficient solar cell operation. In this review, a ...

The maximum efficiency was found to be 16.5% for InP homojunction thin-film solar cells compared to 44.5% for heterojunction solar cells. Nanowires and quantum dots ...

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Metal halide perovskite photovoltaic devices, with a certified power conversion efficiency (PCE) of more than 26%, 1, 2, 3 have become one of the most attractive light-harvesting applications, showing a broad potential for mitigating the energy crisis. 4, 5, 6 The coexistence of high efficiency and long-term stability is the key requirement for the successful ...

5.5.2 Homojunction Cells with Fully Passivated Contact: The TOPCon Cell (Tunnel Oxide Passivation Contact) ... An alternative is to apply the IBC concept to heterojunction cells (see Chap. 7). Here, the p-region is next to the n-region and the emitter can be enlarged compared to the cell concept described in the present Section.

This work presents the investigation of an all-thin-film two-terminal (2T) monolithic homojunction perovskite (PVK)/c-Si tandem cell using Silvaco TCAD simulation. The front sub-cell utilizes homojunction PVK that ...

InGaN p-i-n homojunction (HOJ) and heterojunction (HEJ) solar cells (SCs) with similar width of depletion region are investigated. Through comparison of both the material property and device performance, it is demonstrated that HEJ exhibits much better results than HOJ, indicating that HEJ is preferred for fabrication of InGaN SCs. Some suggestions are proposed for the ...

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