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Overview

This article provides a comprehensive review of the current understanding of grain boundaries in photovoltaic materials and their impact on solar cell performance. Polycrystalline materials are ubiquitous in technology, and grain boundaries have long been known to affect materials properties and performance. First principles materials modeling and electron microscopy methods are powerful and highly complementary for investigating the atomic scale structure. Sub-micrometer-resolved photocurrent mapping in operational perovskite solar cells, achieved through our home-built photoluminescence and photocurrent imaging microscopy, reveals enhanced photocurrent at grain boundaries compared to grain interiors. Local pump-probe femtosecond transient absorption. The efficiency of solar cells is significantly influenced by the microstructure of the material used, particularly the presence of grain boundaries. Grain boundaries are defects in the crystal structure that can either hinder or enhance the performance of solar cells, depending on their properties. Photoluminescence and photocurrent spectroscopies combined with diffraction-limited and sub-diffraction-limited spatial resolution are achieved via micro-photoluminescence (m-PL) and near-field microscopy (NSOM). These methods are used to examine the photo-response of individual grain boundaries. Abstract—The impact of grain boundaries on the performance of polycrystalline photovoltaics remains an open question. We present a simplified description of dark grain boundary recombination current. The dark current takes the form of a diode equation, and the model provides closed form.



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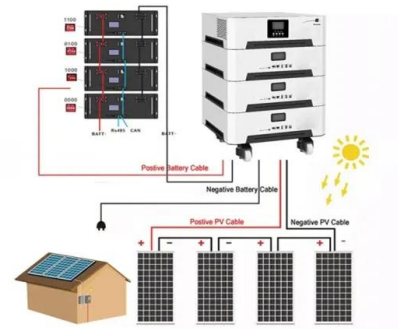


The study of grain boundaries in polycrystalline thin-film solar cells

In order to investigate the interplay between grain boundary and intra-grain defects on solar cell performance and determine the potential benefits of developing biaxially-textured film solar cells, I ...

Grain Boundaries Contribute to the Performance of Perovskite Solar

Historically seen as a limitation, grain boundaries (GBs) within polycrystalline metal halide perovskite (MHP) films are thought to impede charge transport, adversely impacting the efficiency of ...



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Wide-bandgap (WBG) perovskite solar cells (PSCs) are critical for tandem solar cells, yet their fabrication in ambient air-a critical requirement for industrial scaling-introduces grain boundary ...

Effects of grain boundaries on the performance of polycrystalline

A comprehensive carrier recombination model under optical illumination near grain boundaries (GBs) is proposed by considering the asymmetric Gaussian energy distribution of GB interface



states model. ...



Effects of grain boundaries on cell performance of poly-silicon thin

The grain boundaries with short carrier lifetime have an adverse influence on the total performance of solar cells. Thus in this paper, we have theoretically analyzed the effects of grain

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The role of grain boundaries in perovskite solar cells

Polycrystalline PVSF films are grown by low temperature solution processes that results in the formation of sub-micron scale grains and consequent grain boundaries.



Modeling of grain boundary effects on photovoltaic properties of metal

A model has been developed to characterize the photovoltaic properties of a thin-film polycrystalline semiconductor solar cell with a metal-insulator-semiconductor (MIS) structure and an accumulated ...





Three-Dimensional TCAD Modeling of Grain Boundaries in High ...

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The residual strain and modulus of polycrystalline films often limit the photovoltaic and mechanical performance of flexible perovskite solar cells. Here, the authors introduce metal chelates ...

Amorphous grain boundary engineering for scalable flexible perovskite

The mechanical reliability and scalability of flexible perovskite solar cells remain challenging. Mingzhu He et al. design β -cyclodextrin derivatives to reinforce grain boundaries, ...



Grain boundaries in polycrystalline materials for energy applications

In this review, we provide an introduction to key concepts and approaches for investigating grain boundaries using these methods. We also provide a number of case studies ...



The role of grain boundaries in perovskite solar cells

With a certified power conversion efficiency (PCE) exceeding 22%, the hunt is now on clues to further improve the PCE and stability of perovskite (PVSK) solar cells toward commercialization. ...



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Consequences of grain boundary barriers on electrical characteristics

The model assumptions and simulation results show how the concentration of surface donors at the grain boundaries affects the height of the grain boundary barriers and the measured ...

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