

Can n-type nanocrystalline silicon improve current and transport properties in heterojunction solar cells?

N-type nanocrystalline silicon (nc-Si:H (n)) layers are good candidates to improve current and transport properties in heterojunction solar cells. In this work, we perform thickness series alongside PH 3 doping series to unravel the desirable characteristics of nc-Si:H (n) along its growth direction.

How do we deposit a NC-SiH(n) layer in a single layer structure?

In the case of the single layer structure, we proceed exactly as for the "ip" contact stack, that is after the deposition of the a-Si:H (i) and SiO<sub>x</sub> seed we deposited a nc-Si:H (n) layer using a hydrogen dilution [H<sub>2</sub>]/[SiH<sub>4</sub>] of 133 and a varying PH 3 dopant gas flow of 0, 4, 9.5, 25, 50 and 100 sccm.

Do nanocrystalline-silicon hole contact layers improve solar cell performance?

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Which silicon wafers are used for solar cell preparation?

For solar cell preparation, we used n-type Czochralski (CZ) silicon wafers (c-Si) with a thickness of 140 μm (after texturing) and a resistivity of 50 cm. The as-cut c-Si substrates were processed to remove the saw damage due to the wafering procedure.

How to understand nc-Si-H integration in a solar cell?

Therefore, in order to understand nc-Si:H integration in the solar cell, we find it of particular importance to study its properties along its growth, as it is done e.g. in or using structures with different sub-layers as it is done using the so-called top-down and bottom-up approaches in .

Which solar cells have the highest conversion efficiency?

1. Introduction Silicon heterojunction (SHJ) solar cells demonstrated the highest conversion efficiency for silicon based devices with up to 26.7% with an interdigitated back contacts (IBC) architecture and recently up to 26.3% in double side contacted configuration .

This work reviews thin film solar cells regarding the aspects of development methods, structure, advantages, and disadvantages. ... p-type layer, intrinsic layer, n-type layer, back reflector ...

1 Ultra-thin nanocrystalline n-type silicon oxide front contact layers for rear-emitter silicon heterojunction solar cells L. Mazzarella\*, a, A. B. Morales-Vilches a, L. Korte b, R. Schlatmann a and B. Stannowski a a PVcomB, Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin für Materialien und Energie, Schwarzschildstr. 3, 12489 Berlin, Germany b Institute for Silicon Photovoltaics, Helmholtz ...

This study paves the way for WS<sub>2</sub> thin film as a potential window layer to be used in thin-film solar cells. ... (ITO) for the transparent conducting oxide, the n-type WS<sub>2</sub> window layer, ...

A method for producing transparent conductive ZnO films is used to produce the window layer of a CIGS thin-film solar cell. A first conductive film functioning as an interface-protective...

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Matching n-type partner with CdTe absorber layer has been highly impactful to increase thin film solar cell efficiency. Also, minority carrier production, carrier collection, and recombination rate at the p-n junction are directly impacted by the window layer compositions.

Structure of CIGS Solar Cell with CuO HTL. A CIGS solar cell with a CuO HTL has heterojunctions of several thin layer materials deposited on glass (soda-lime glass), as shown in Fig. 1 consists of Cu(In, Ga)Se<sub>2</sub> as an absorber, which is intrinsically a p-doped semiconductor due to the Cu vacancy defects. The energy bandgap in Cu(In, Ga)Se<sub>2</sub> can be ...

From the beginning, the high efficiency solar cell was based on CdS as n-type partner for the junction formation with the p-type CdTe absorber. A lot of the early work on the solar cell was concentrated on the growth of the layers and on the formation of the junction, but it became immediately clear that the technique used for the deposition of the absorber and for ...

We have developed highly crystallized n-type microcrystalline Si layers as window layers for rear emitter Si heterojunction solar cells. We introduce a seed layer between an n-type ...

Spin-coating technique has been utilized to deposit ZnO thin films on ITO substrates. The dependence of the structural, optical, and electrical properties of the prepared films on both the sol-pH values and annealing temperatures has been investigated. X-ray diffraction analysis has revealed that the optimal sol-pH value was found to be 8 at annealing ...

N-type hydrogenated nanocrystalline silicon oxide (nc-SiO<sub>x</sub>:H) is potential to enhance the performance of silicon heterojunction solar cells, but the raised plasma damage on underlying layer during the nc-SiO<sub>x</sub>:H deposition with a high-volume fraction of hydrogen is a burning issue. The underlying intrinsic hydrogenated amorphous silicon (i-a-Si:H) bilayer ...

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