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Price of lightweight crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules



Overview

Crystalline silicon (c-Si) dominates the current PV market, and its MSPs are the lowest—\$0.25–\$0.27/watt across the c-Si technologies analyzed. Are lightweight and flexible solar cell modules a good choice?

Lightweight and flexible solar cell modules have great potential to be installed in locations with loading limitations and to expand the photovoltaics market. We used polyethylene terephthalate films instead of thick glass cover as front cover materials to fabricate lightweight solar cell modules with crystalline silicon solar cells.

How are lightweight solar cells with c-Si solar cells fabricated?

Lightweight solar cell modules with c-Si solar cells were fabricated using PET films. The fabricated modules have flexible properties. The lightweight and flexible modules exhibit high reliability under both high temperature and high humidity conditions.

How much does a crystalline silicon module cost?

Today's typical wholesale price for mainstream crystalline silicon modules is in the range US\$0.17–0.25/W_m –1 (ref. 10), depending on the type and efficiency, which converts to a staggering low US\$35–50/m² –2. Data until 2021 adapted with permission from ref. 10, Fraunhofer ISE.

How much does a photovoltaic module cost?

Mainstream Modules: Average price of €0.11/Wp, stable compared to September but 21.4% lower than January 2024. Low-Cost Modules: Average price of €0.065/Wp, a 7.1% decrease from September and 27.8% from January 2024. These trends are exerting mounting pressure on the photovoltaic sector.

What are crystalline silicon solar cells?

Crystalline silicon solar cells are today's main photovoltaic technology,

enabling the production of electricity with minimal carbon emissions and at an unprecedented low cost. This Review discusses the recent evolution of this technology, the present status of research and industrial development, and the near-future perspectives.

How to fabricate a lightweight solar cell module?

To fabricate a lightweight solar cell module, we used a 0.025 mm-thick PET film sheet as both a front-cover and a backsheet. The solar cells were encapsulated with EVA. As a reference sample, we fabricated solar cell modules with 3.2 mm-thick glass as the front-cover material. The sample structures are shown in Fig. 1.

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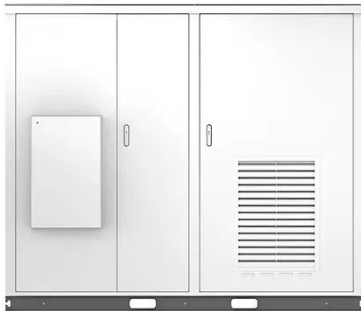
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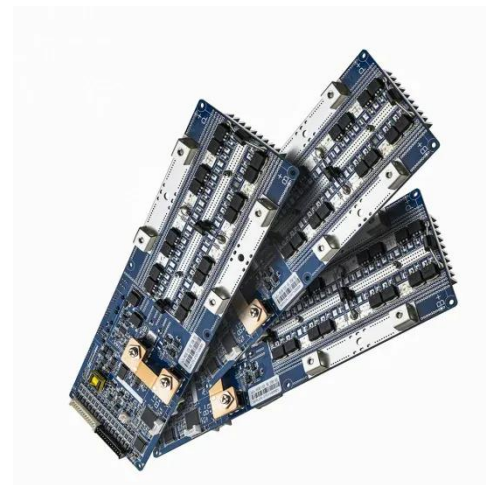


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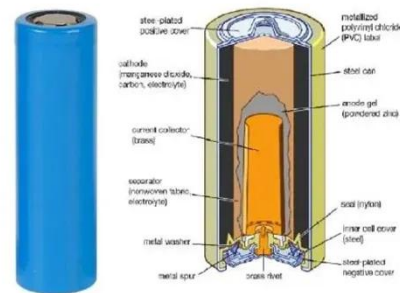
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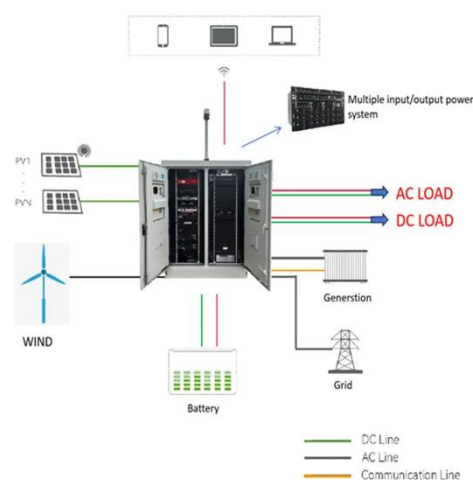
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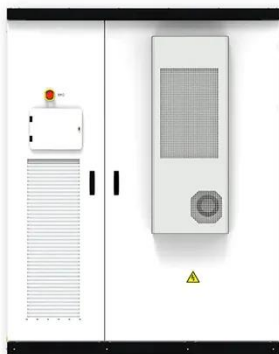
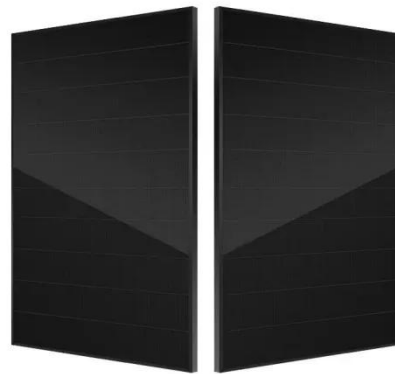
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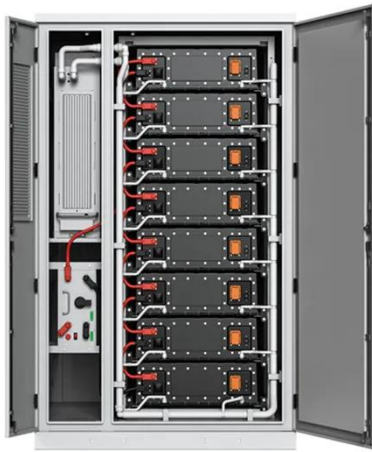
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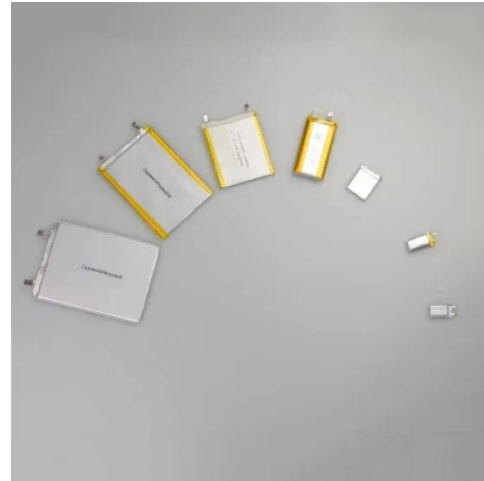
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