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Policy
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"In 2050 . . . where is this energy going to come from?"

"Oil . . . fission . . . fusion . . . hydrogen . . . renewable energy . . ."

" . . . reasonable goal for 2050 . . a three way mix of renewable energy, fossil fuels and nuclear fission . . ."

"By 2050, we will surely know more about . . . fusion, hydrogen and large-scale harvesting of renewable energy, and we will have to readapt ourselves to a new equilibrium point for 2100."

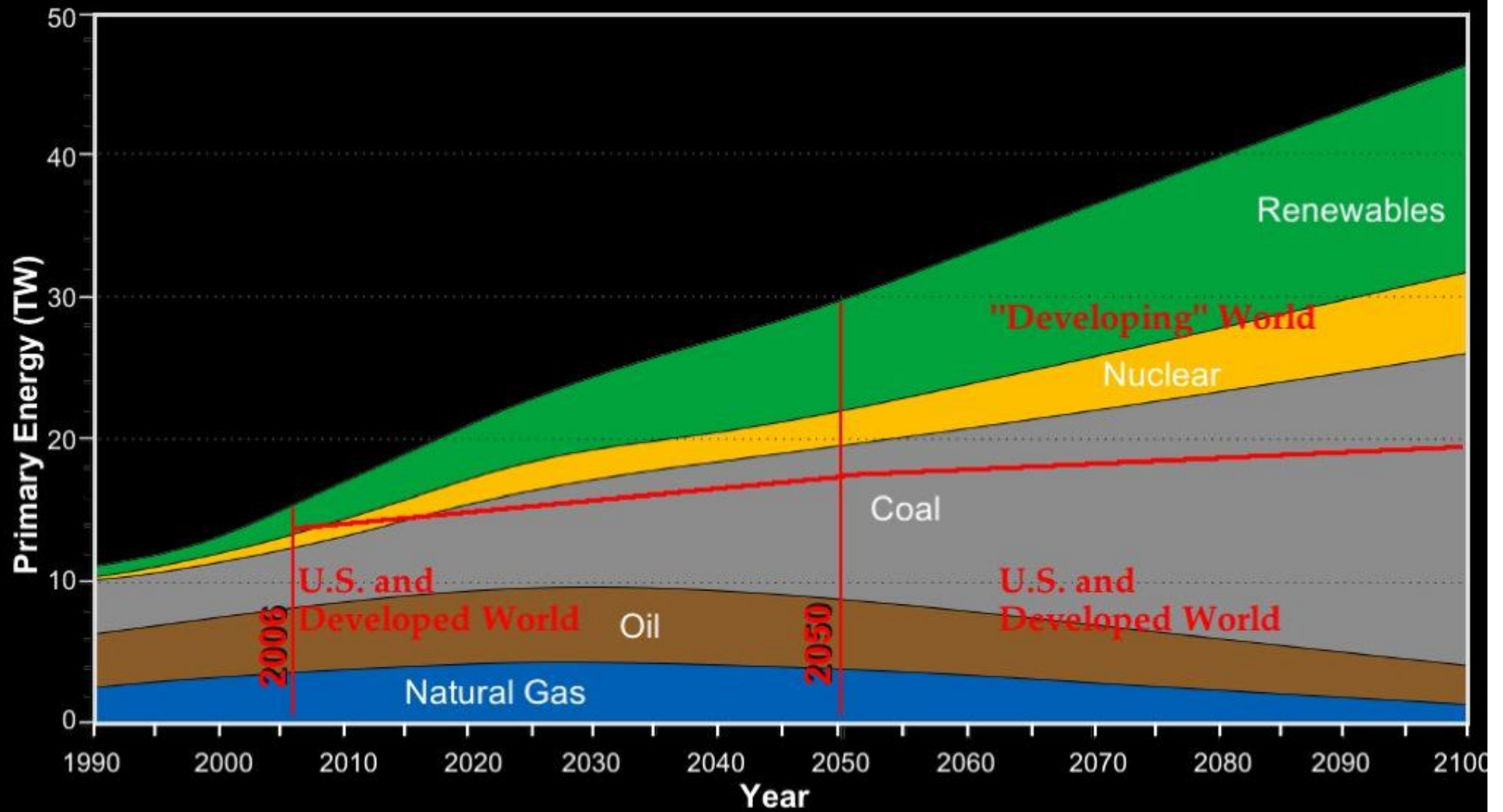
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Energy Issues . . .

Now and short term

	U.S.	Developed World	Developing World
Growth			XXX
Security	XXX	XXX	
Environment	X-	XX	X

Primary Energy Projections in Terawatts



Energy Issues . . .

Long term (toward 2050 & beyond)

	U.S.	Developed World	Developing World
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The Challenges (*The Terawatt Dilemma . . .*)

Worldwide Energy Consumption (now to the future):

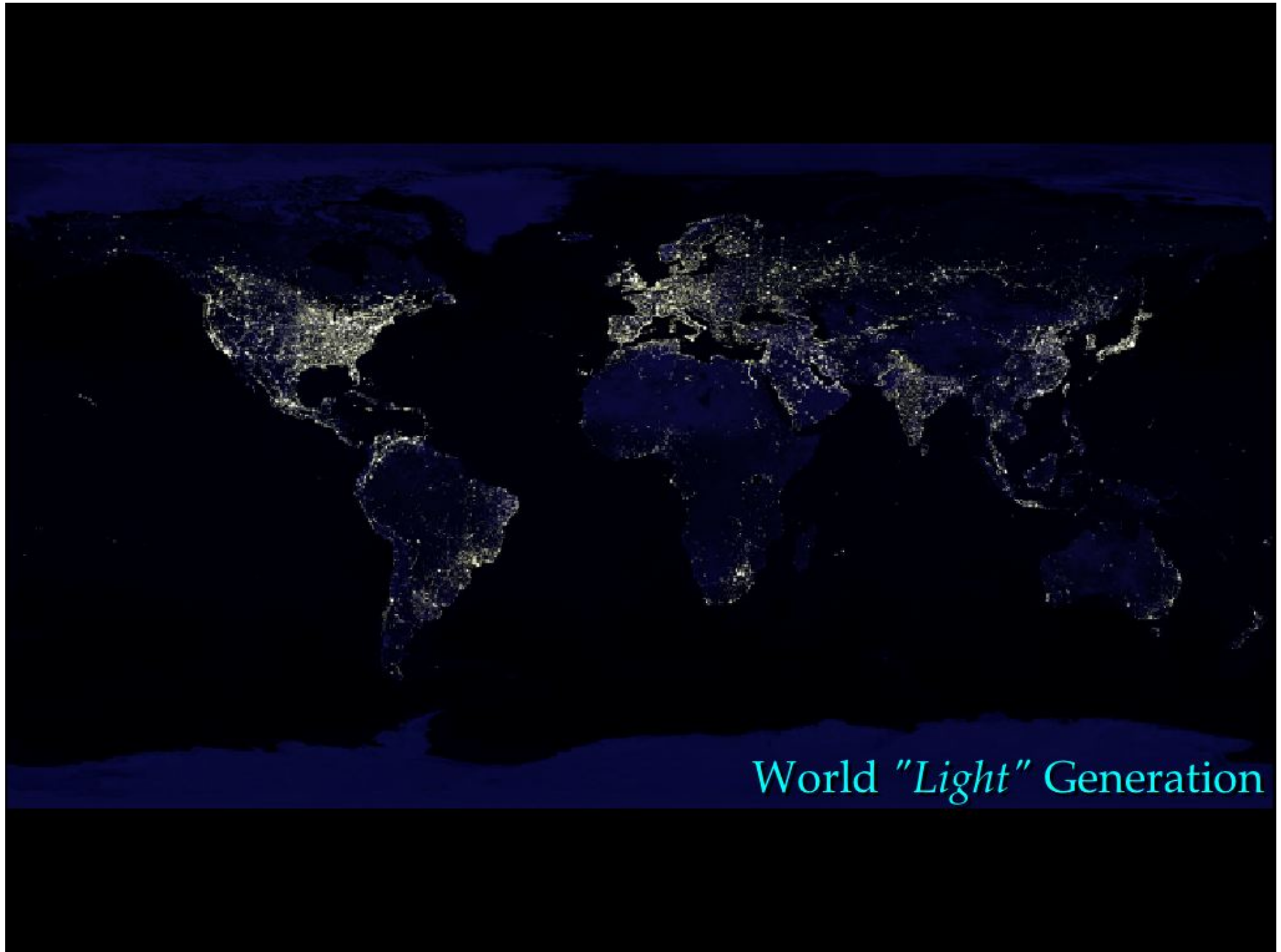
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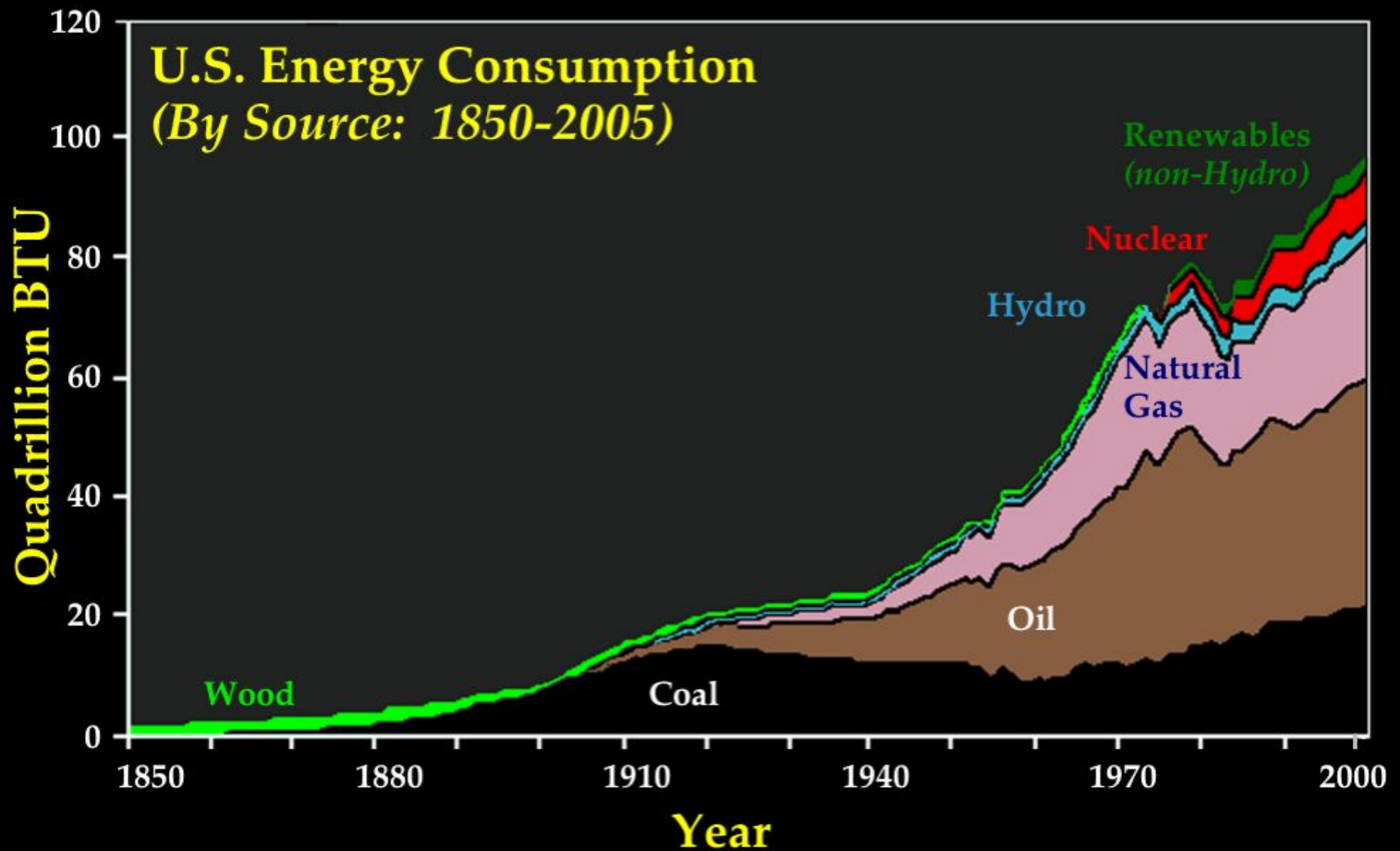
Energy to meet this future?

Electricity: *Solar, Wind, Bioenergy, . . . Nuclear, Renewables?*

Fuels: *Hydrogen, methanol, ethanol, others?*

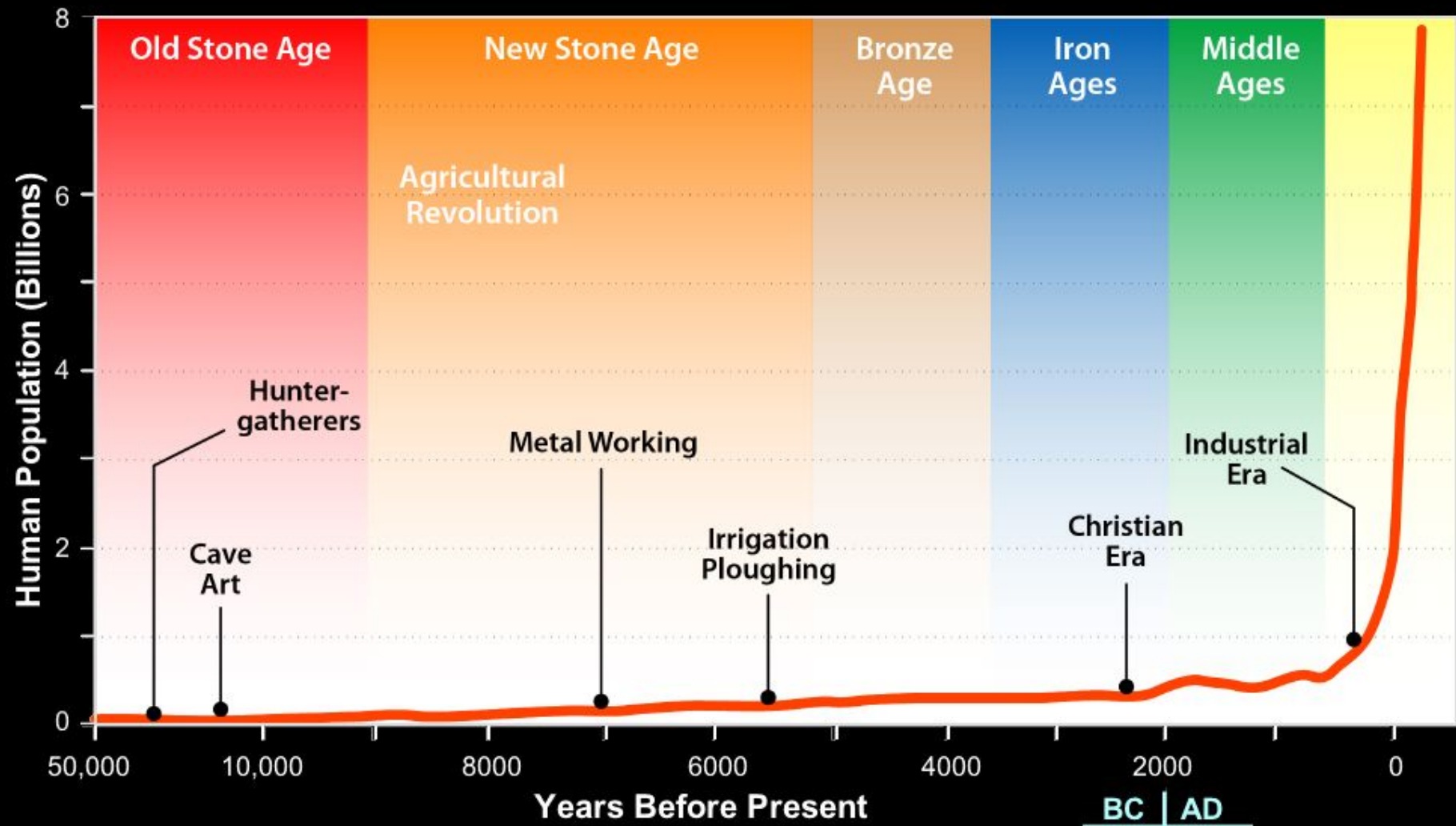


World "*Light*" Generation



Source: 1850-1949, *Energy Perspectives: A Presentation of Major Energy and Energy-Related Data*, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1975; 1950-2005, *Annual Energy Review 2000*, Table 1.3.

World Population: Historical Perspectives



World Oil Comparison

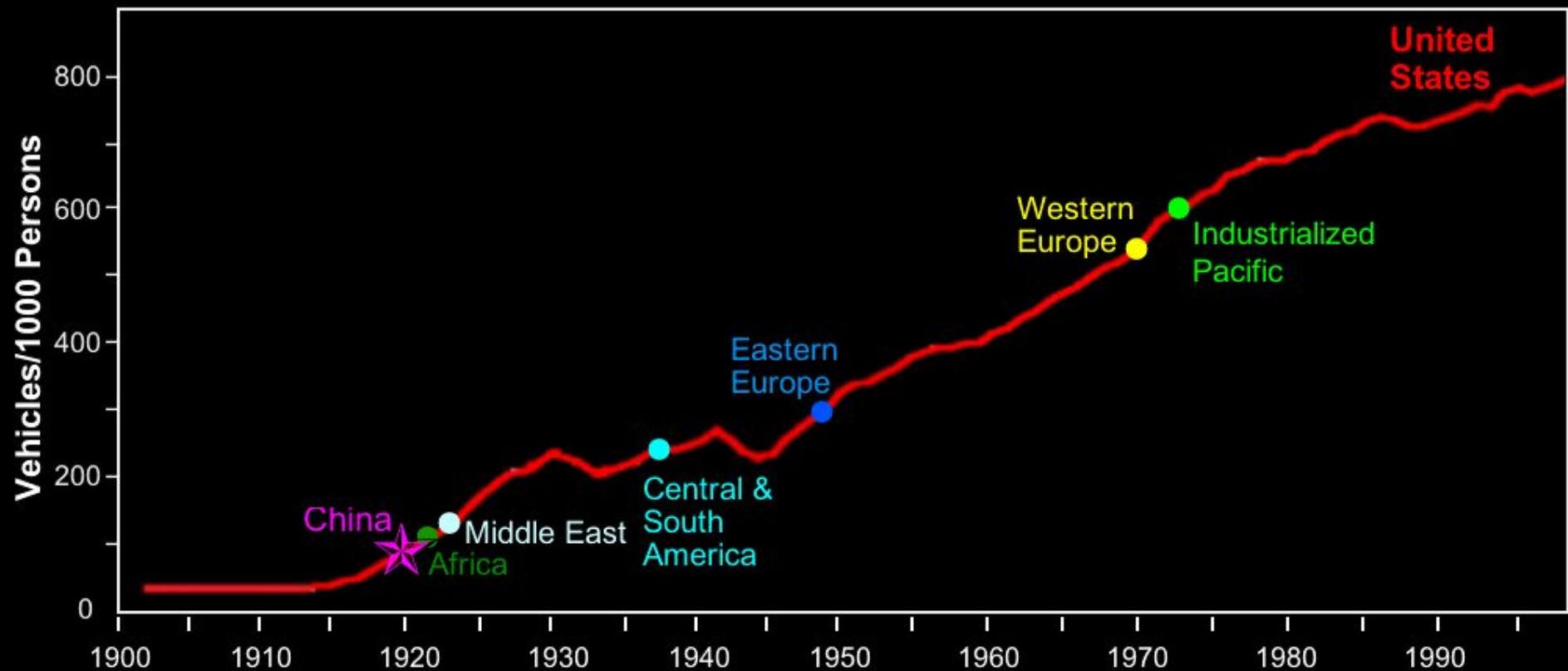
Oil Reserves

Saudi Arabia	22.4%
Iran	11.3%
Iraq	9.7%
Kuwait	8.4%
UAE	8.3%
Venezuela	6.5%
Russia	6.1%
Kazakhstan	3.4%
Libya	3.0%
Nigeria	3.0%
United States	2.4%

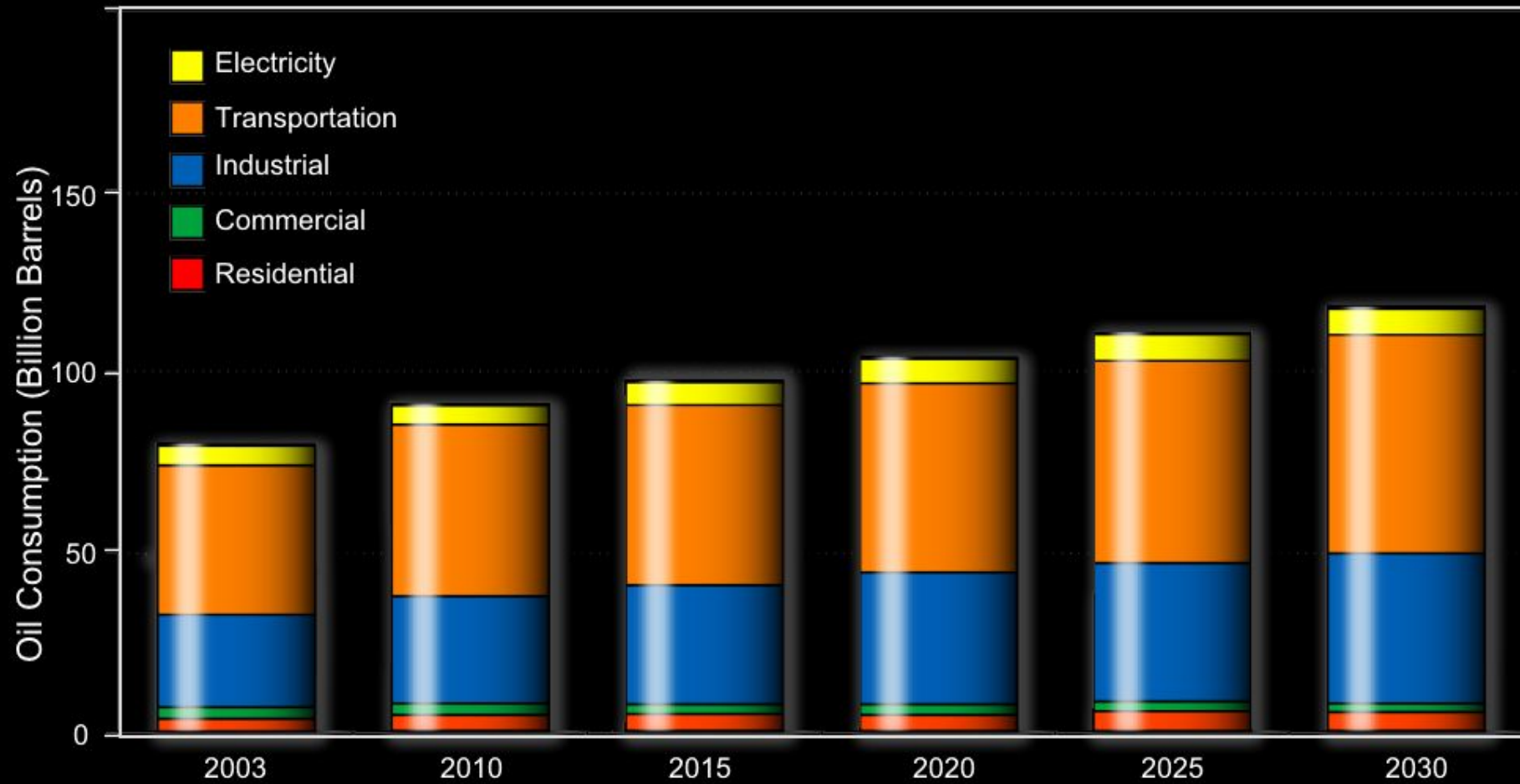
Oil Use

United States	24.8%
China	8.0%
Japan	6.9%
Russia	3.5%
Germany	3.3%
India	2.9%
Canada	2.7%
South Korea	2.7%
Mexico	2.5%
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Vehicles Per 1000 Persons as a Function of Time



World Oil Consumption by Use Sector



World Coal Comparison

Coal Reserves



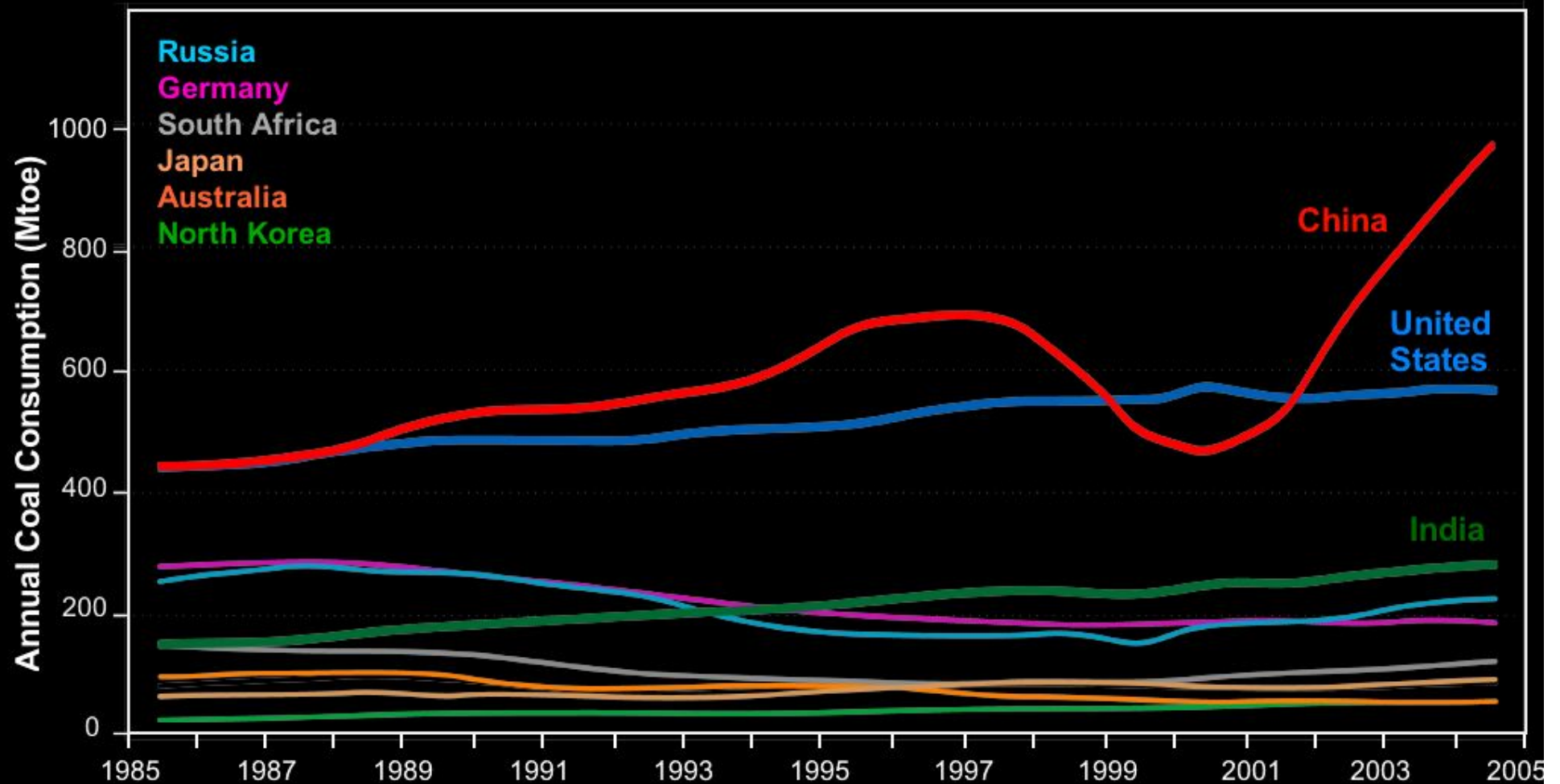
China	32.2%
Australia	22.2%
Romania	17.6%
Hungary	10.1%
Turkey	5.8%
Kazakhstan	5.0%
Brazil	2.2%
United States	1.2%
Venezuela	0.4%
Canada	0.3%
India	0.3%

Coal Use



China	28.7%
United States	23.3%
India	7.4%
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Annual Coal Consumption by Country



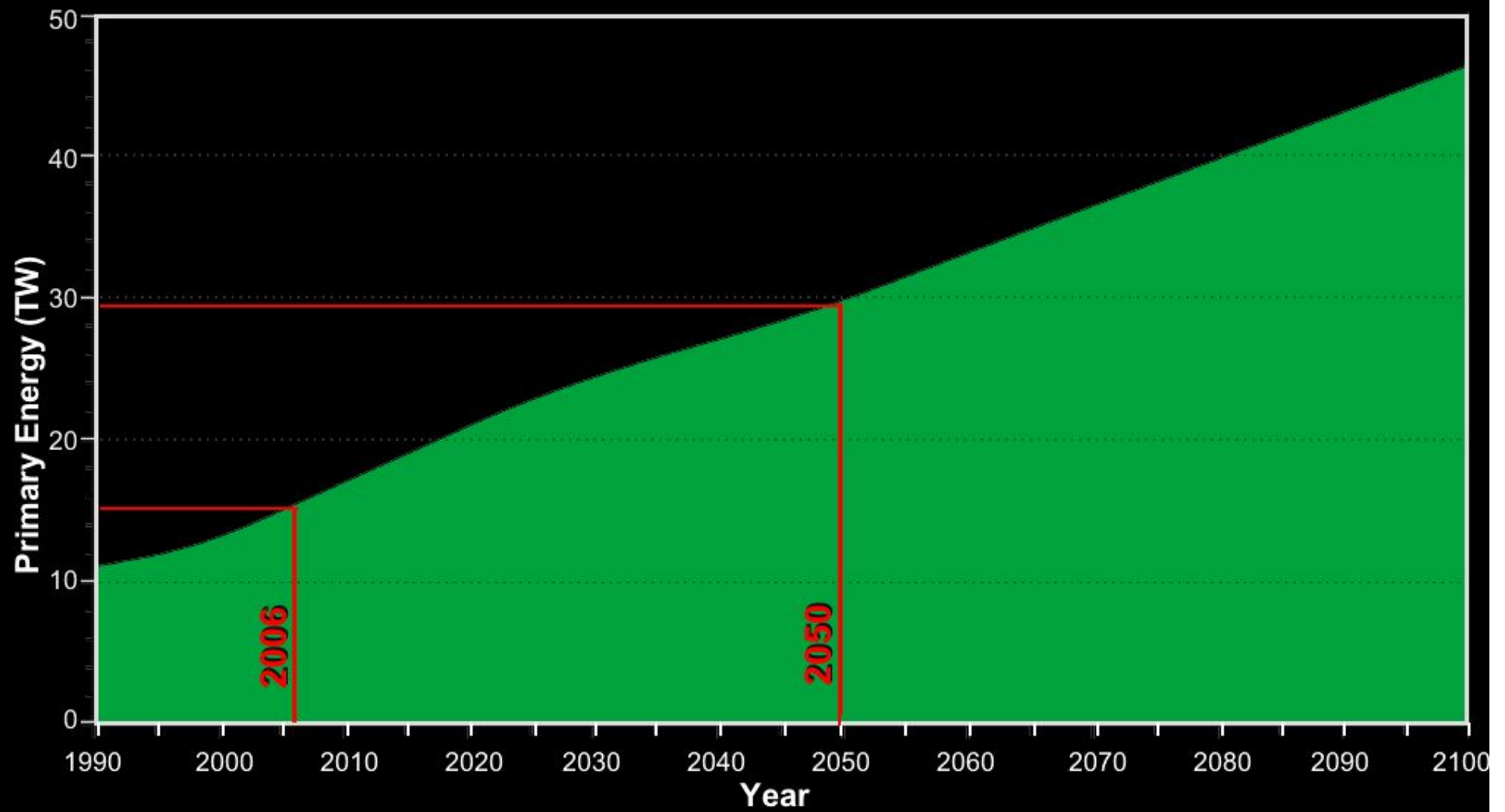
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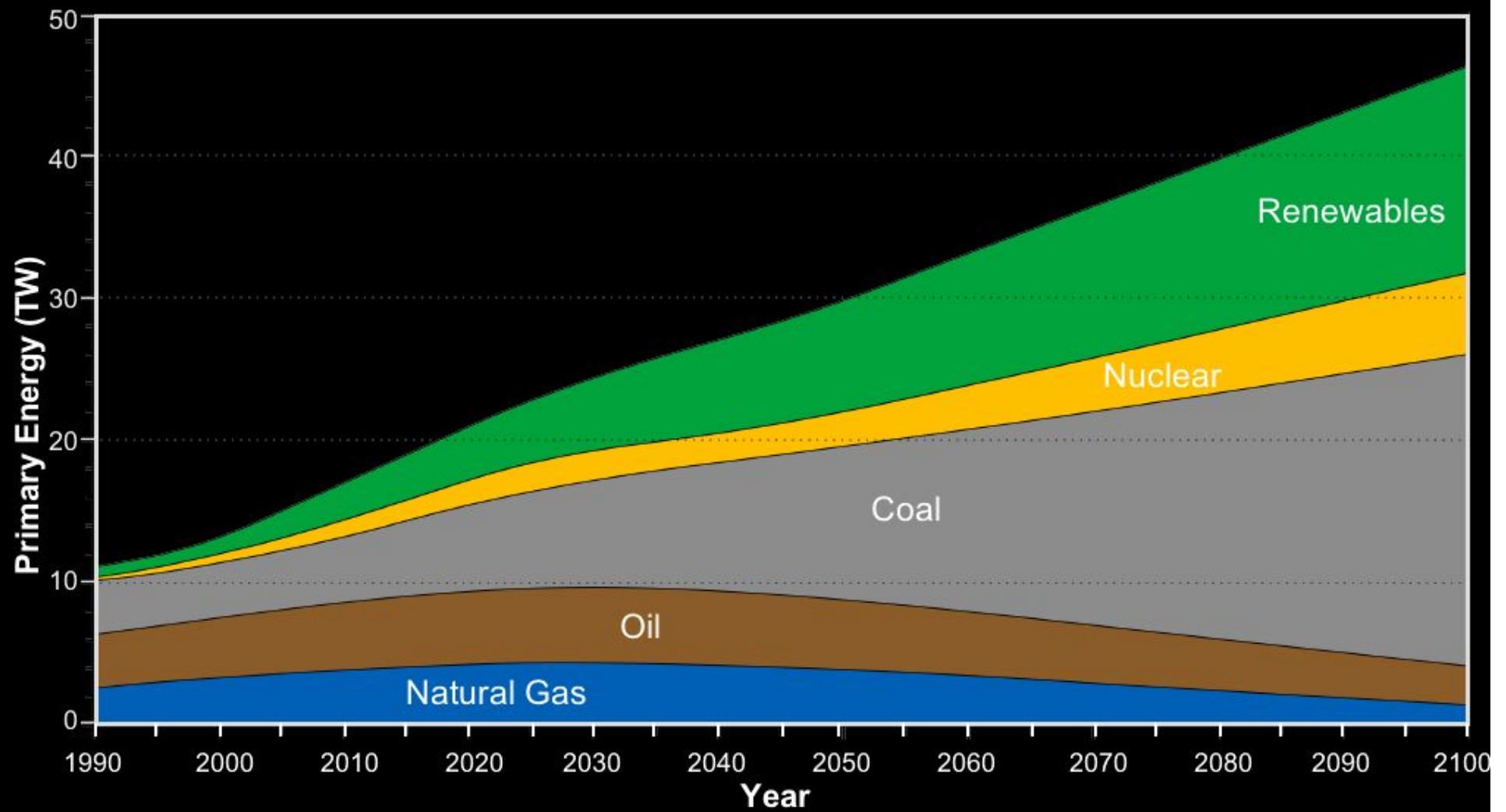
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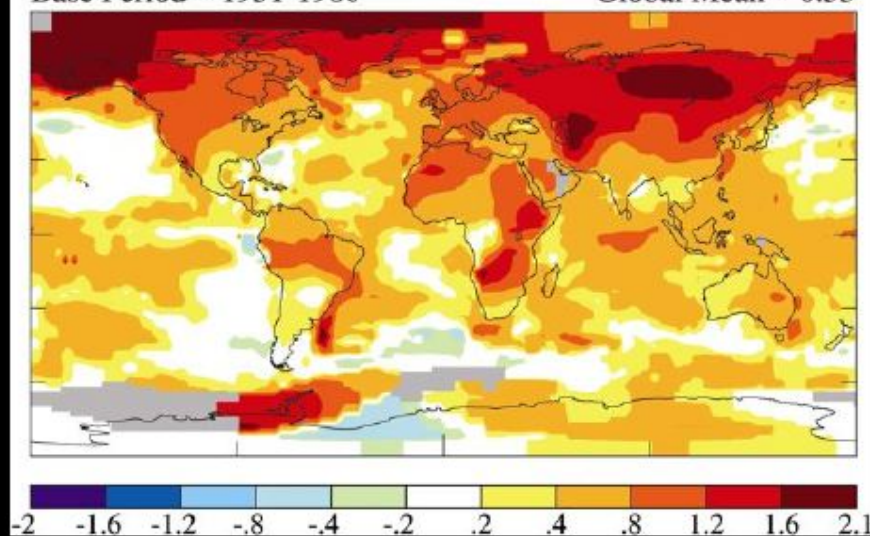
1. The Background: Global Climate Change

"A threat to our planet", Dr. James Hansen, NASA

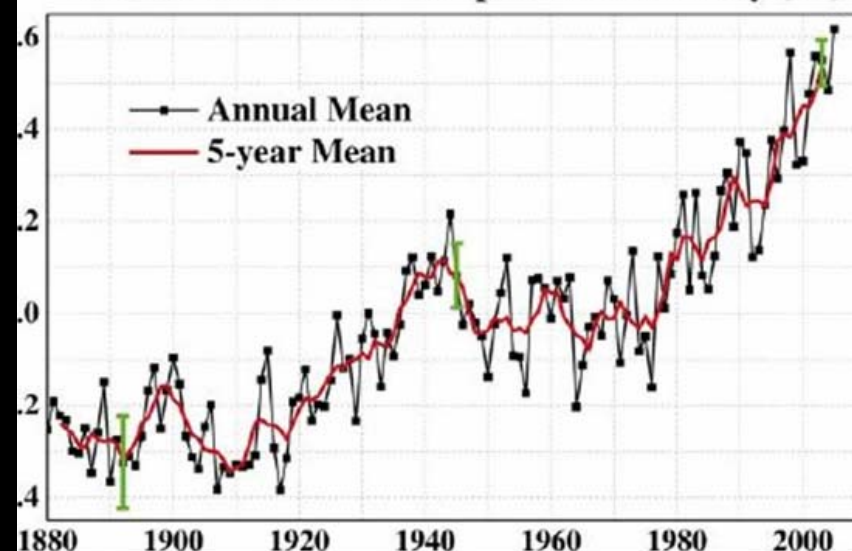
2001-2005 Mean Surface Temperature Anomaly ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)

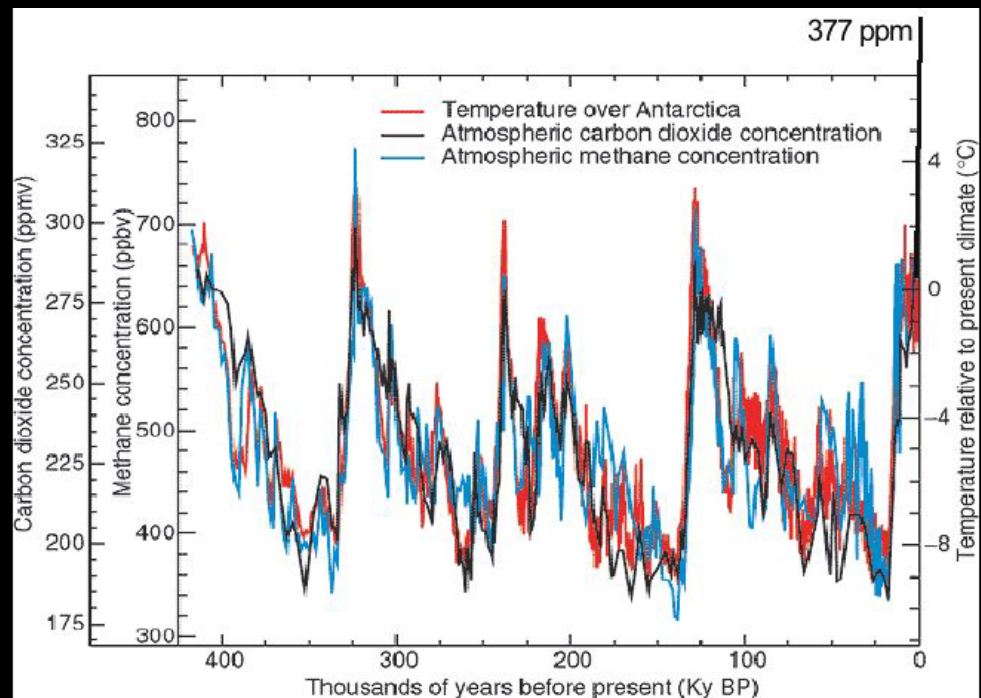
Base Period = 1951-1980

Global Mean = 0.53



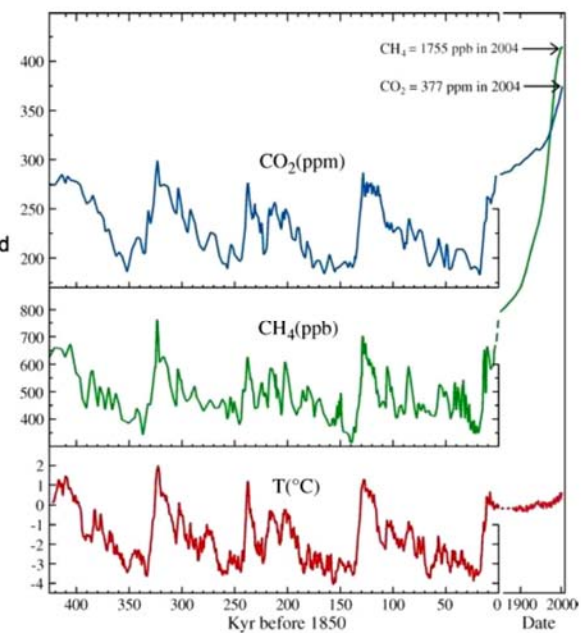
Global Land-Ocean Temperature Anomaly ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)



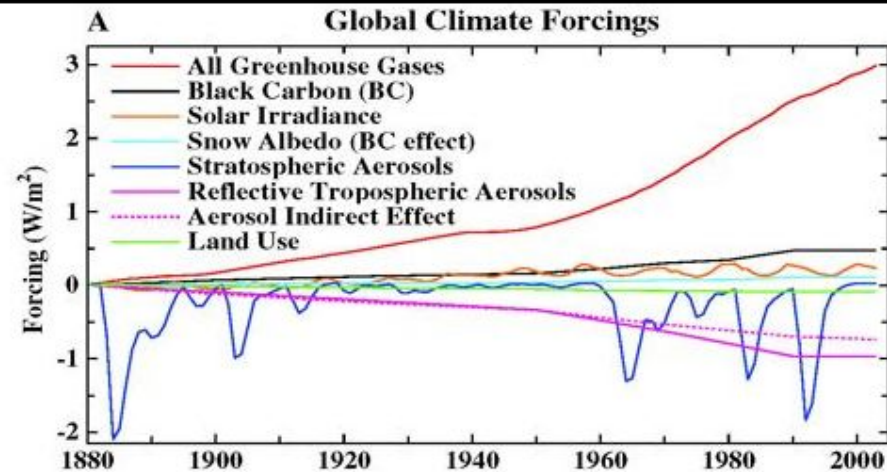


CO₂, CH₄ and estimated
global temperature
(Antarctic $\Delta T/2$
in ice core era)
0 = 1880-1899 mean.

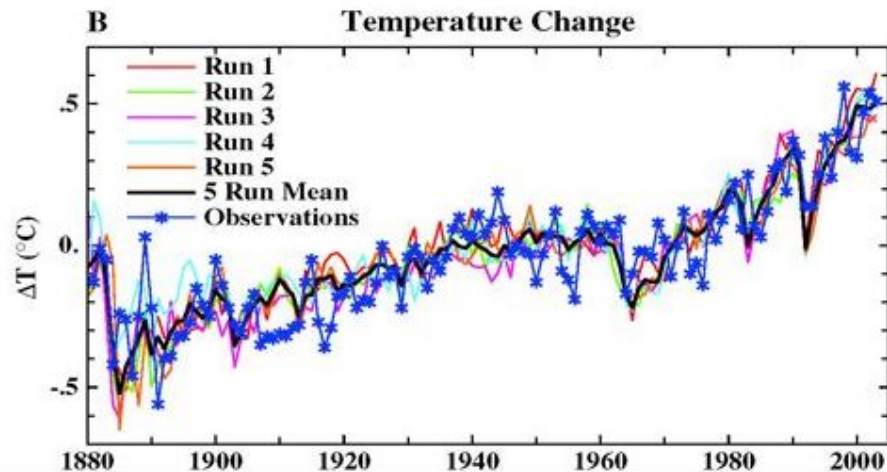
Source: Hansen, *Clim.
Change*, 68, 269, 2005.



(A) Forcings used to drive climate simulations.



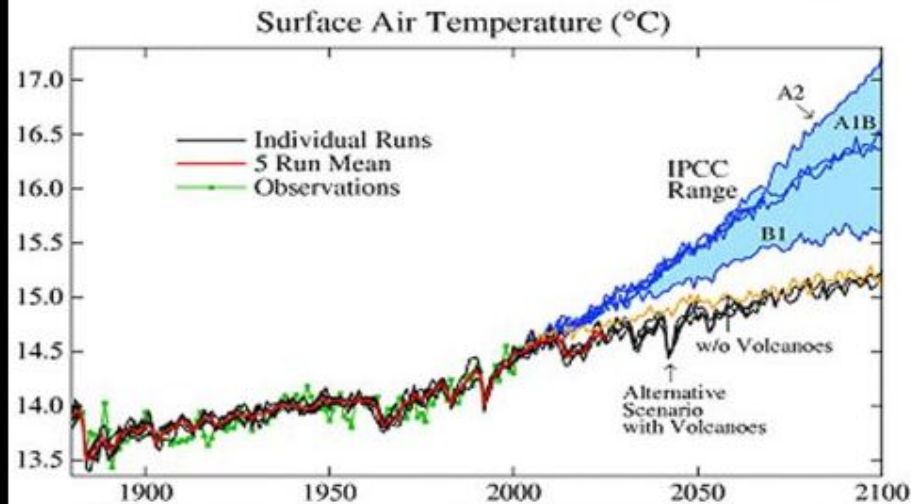
(B) Simulated and observed surface temperature change.



Source: Earth's energy imbalance: Confirmation and implications. *Science* 308, 1431, 2005.

Hansen Models: Temperature change and ice area changes due to greenhouse gases (humans control global climate . . .)

21st Century Global Warming



Climate Simulations for IPCC 2007 Report

- **Climate Model Sensitivity ~ 2.7°C for 2xCO₂**
(consistent with paleoclimate data & other models)
- **Simulations Consistent with 1880-2003 Observations**
(key test = ocean heat storage)
- **Simulated Global Warming < 1°C in Alternative Scenario**

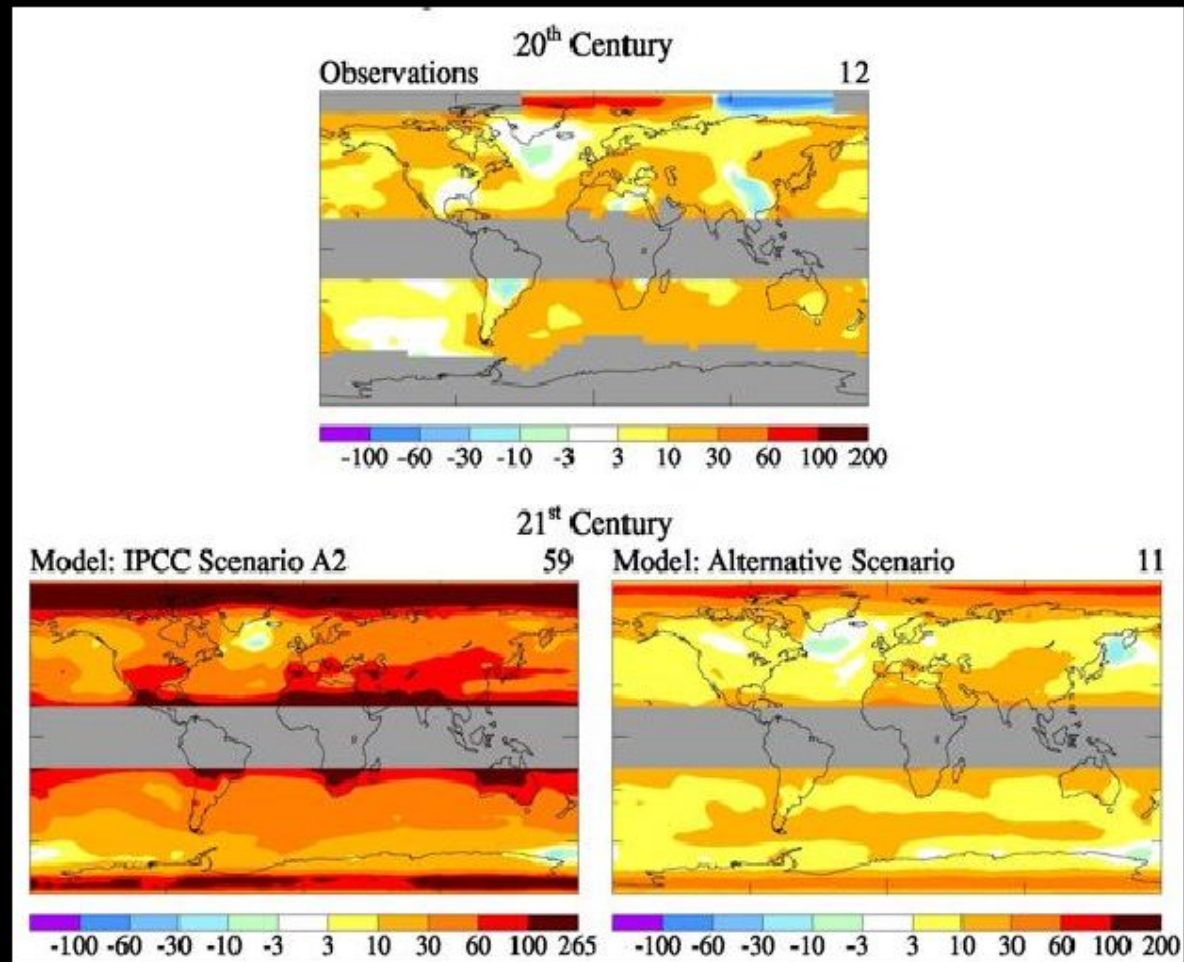
Conclusion: Warming < 1°C if additional forcing ~ 1.5 W/m²

Source: Hansen et al., to be submitted to J. Geophys. Res.

*Aim is to stabilize
greenhouse gas
emissions . . .*

*in balance with the
climate system*

Observation and Prediction: Poleward Migration Rate of Isotherms (*km/decade*)



Evidence for Global Warming

- The 12 hottest years (over the last 145 years) have occurred in the last 15 years.

Rank	Year
1	2005
1	1998
3	2002
4	2003
5	2004
6	2001
7	1997
8	1990
9	1995
10	1999
11	2000
12	1991

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- Glaciers in most parts of the world are receding.



Upsala Glacier in Argentina, comparing 1928 and 2004, showing the glacier has mostly disappeared.



Riggs Glacier in Alaska, comparing 1941 & 2004 (Most of the 610 meter thick glacier has disappeared).



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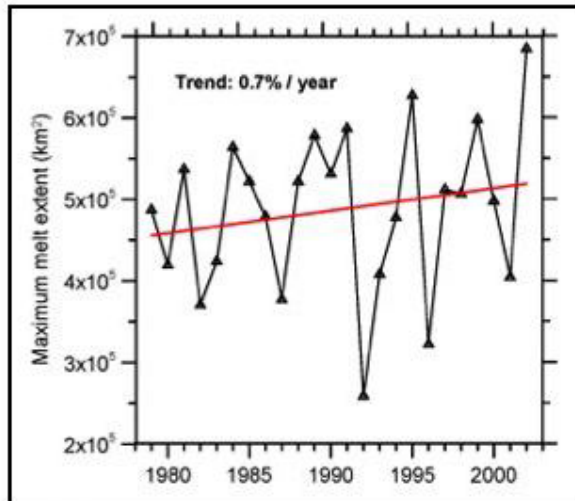


Increasing ice discharges from major ice stream (Jacobshavn) in Greenland

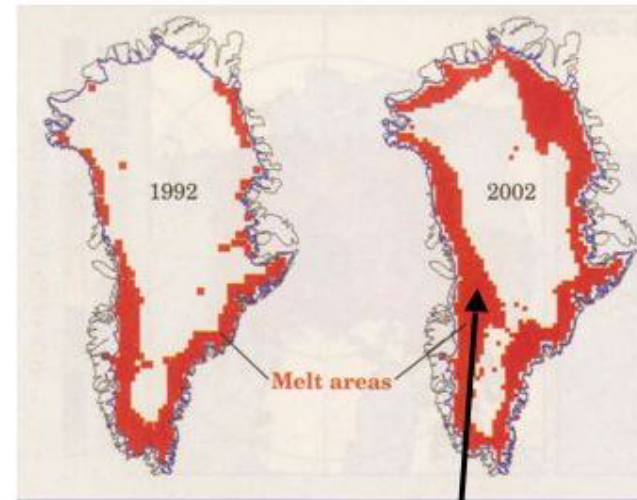


Surface melt on Greenland (descending into a "moulin", vertical shaft that carries melt to the ice sheet base).

Increasing Melt Area on Greenland



- 2002 all-time record melt area
- Melting up to elevation of 2000 m
- 16% increase from 1979 to 2002



70 meters thinning in 5 years

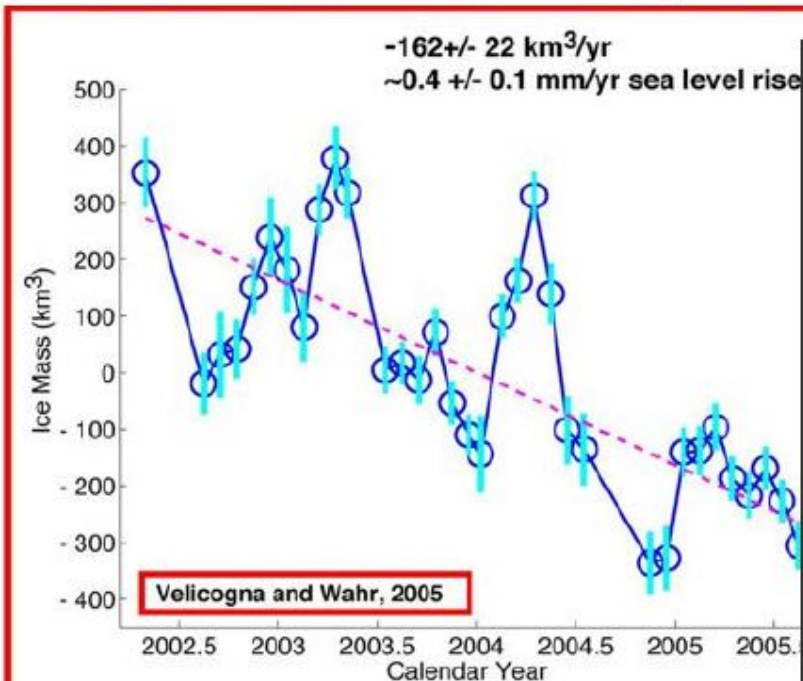
Satellite-era record melt of 2002 was exceeded in 2005.

Source: Waleed Abdalati, Goddard Space Flight Center

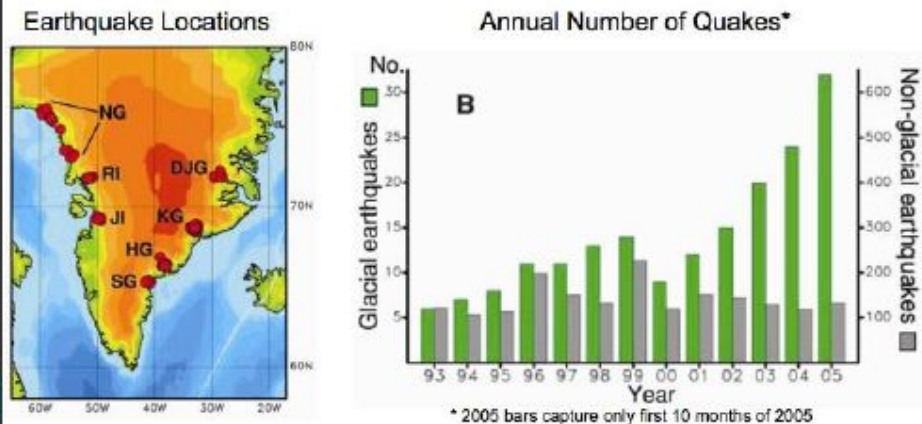
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Greenland Mass Loss – From Gravity Satellite



Glacial Earthquakes on Greenland



Location and frequency of glacial earthquakes on Greenland. Seismic magnitudes are in range 4.6 to 5.1.

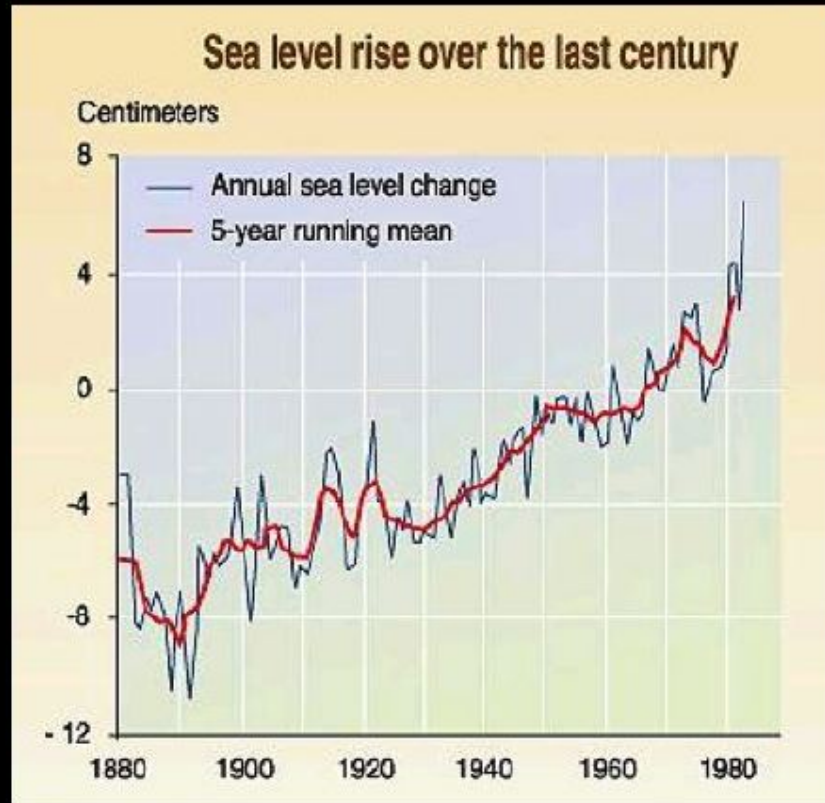
Source: Ekstrom, Nettles and Tsai, Science, 311, 1756, 2006.

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- Worldwide precipitation patterns have changed significantly over the last 100 years.
- Both the duration and the highest wind speeds of cyclones and hurricanes have increased by about 50% over the last 50 years (some argue that part of this is cyclical).

Consequences of Global Warming

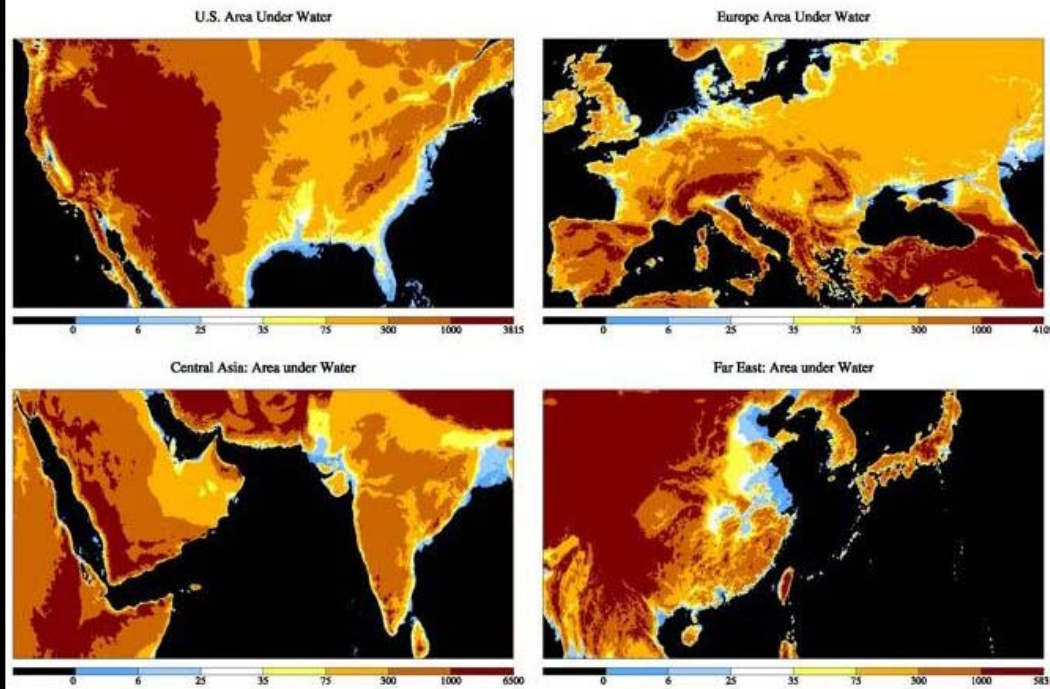
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Areas Under Water: Four Regions



Population (millions) in 2000

Region (total population)	Population Under Water (for given sea level rise)			
	6m	25 m	35m	75m
United States (283)				
East Coast	9	41	51	70
West Coast	2	6	9	19
China + Taiwan (1275+23)	93	224	298	484
India + Sri Lanka (1009+19)	46	146	183	340
Bangladesh (137)	24	109	117	130
Indonesia + Malaysia (212+22)	23	72	85	117
Japan (127)	12	39	50	73
Western Europe (454)	26	66	88	161

Consequences of Global Warming

- Accelerating rise in sea levels (*Destruction of cities; relocation of people; loss of land area*)
- More extreme weather (floods, hurricanes, droughts, . . .)
- Ocean thermohaline circulation slowdown or abrupt cessation (*the Gulf Stream stops!*)
- Alteration of natural habitats (extinction of species; potential for increasing desertification; relocation of farms, ranches--threat to food production)

Survival of Species

1. "Business-as-Usual" Scenario

- Global Warming ~ 3°C
- Likely Extinctions ~ 50 percent

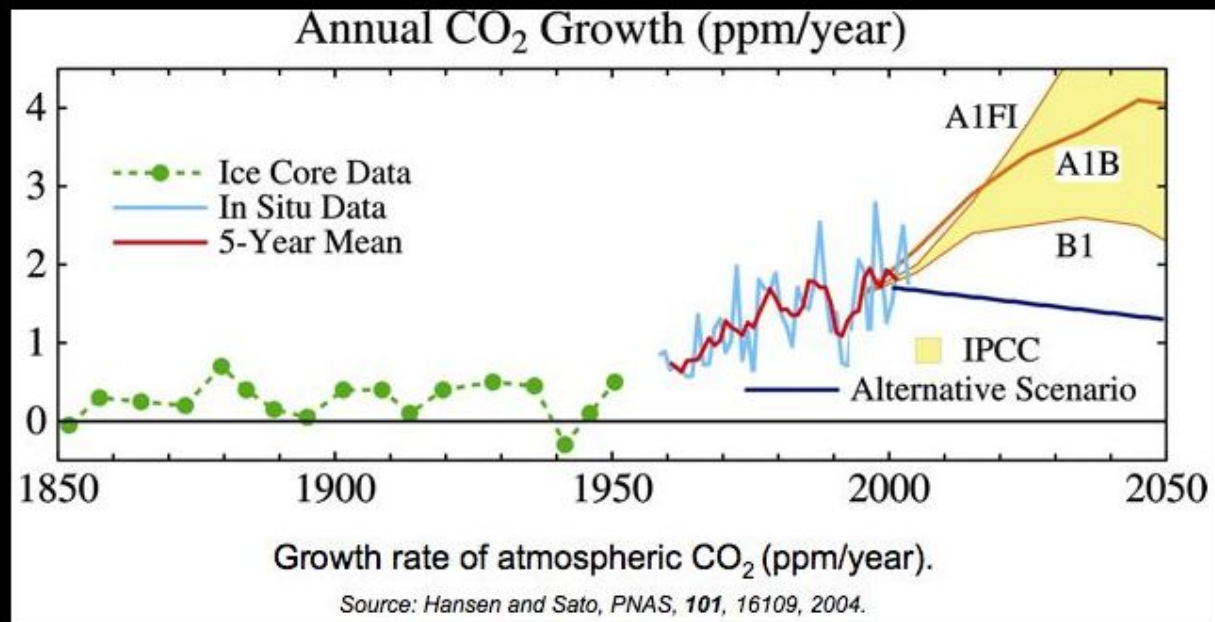
2. "Alternative" Scenario

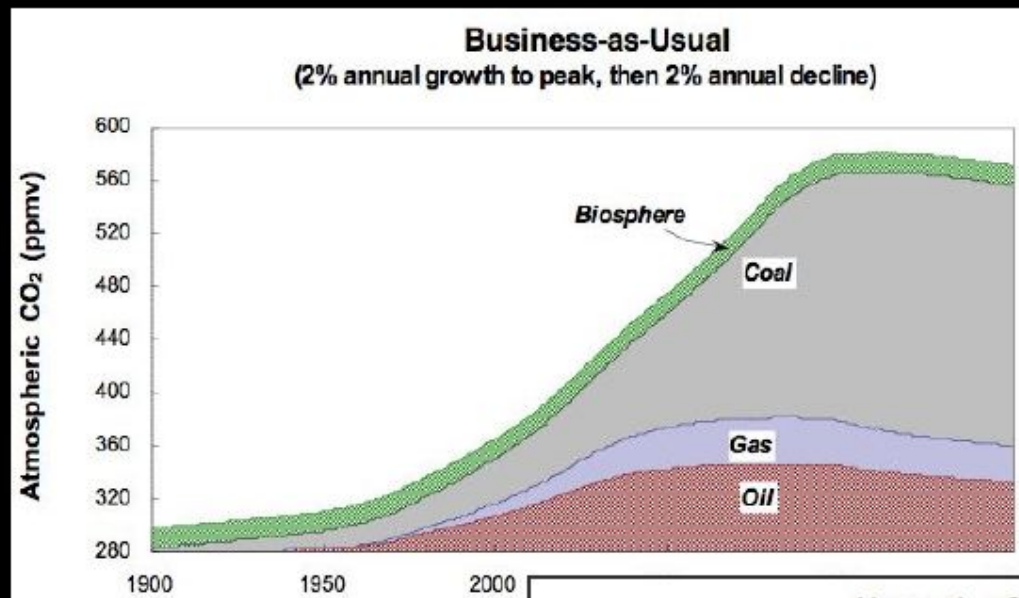
- Global Warming ~ 1°C
- Likely Extinctions ~ 10 percent

Climate Feedbacks → Scenario Dichotomy

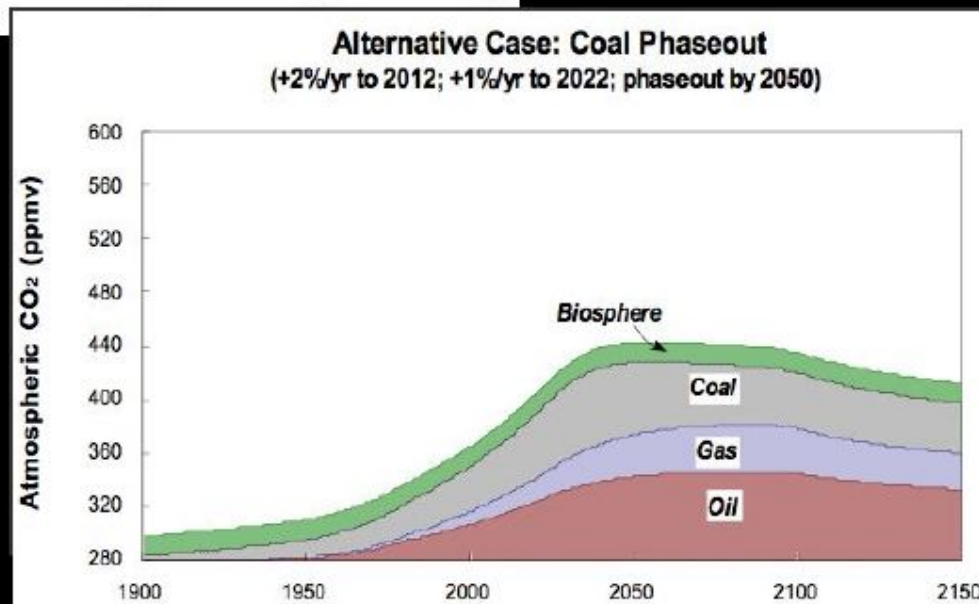
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- More heat-related diseases; health deterioration
- Economic strain/failures; increased world tensions (war)





We don't change . . .



Toward "450 ppm/yr CO₂" . . .

The telling of the story . . . ozone vs. climate change

	Ozone Case	Global Climate
Scientists	Clear warning	Fail to make clear distinction between climate change and BAU means a different planet
Media	Reported messages well	False "balance"; leap to hopelessness
Special Interests	Initial skepticism, but did not engage in disinformation. Instead, pursued advanced technologies	Disinformation campaigns, emphasis on short-term profits
Public	Quick response (spray cans replaced). No additional CFC infrastructure built	Understandably confused, disinterested
Government	U.S. and Europe leadership. Allowed delay & technical assistance to developing world.	Affected by special interests; fails to lead assistance to developing world.



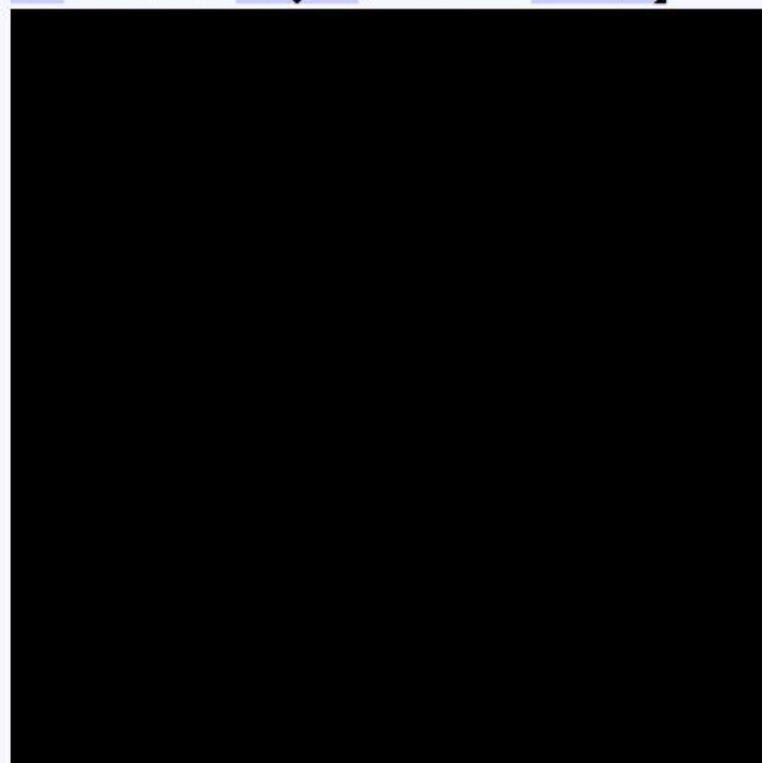
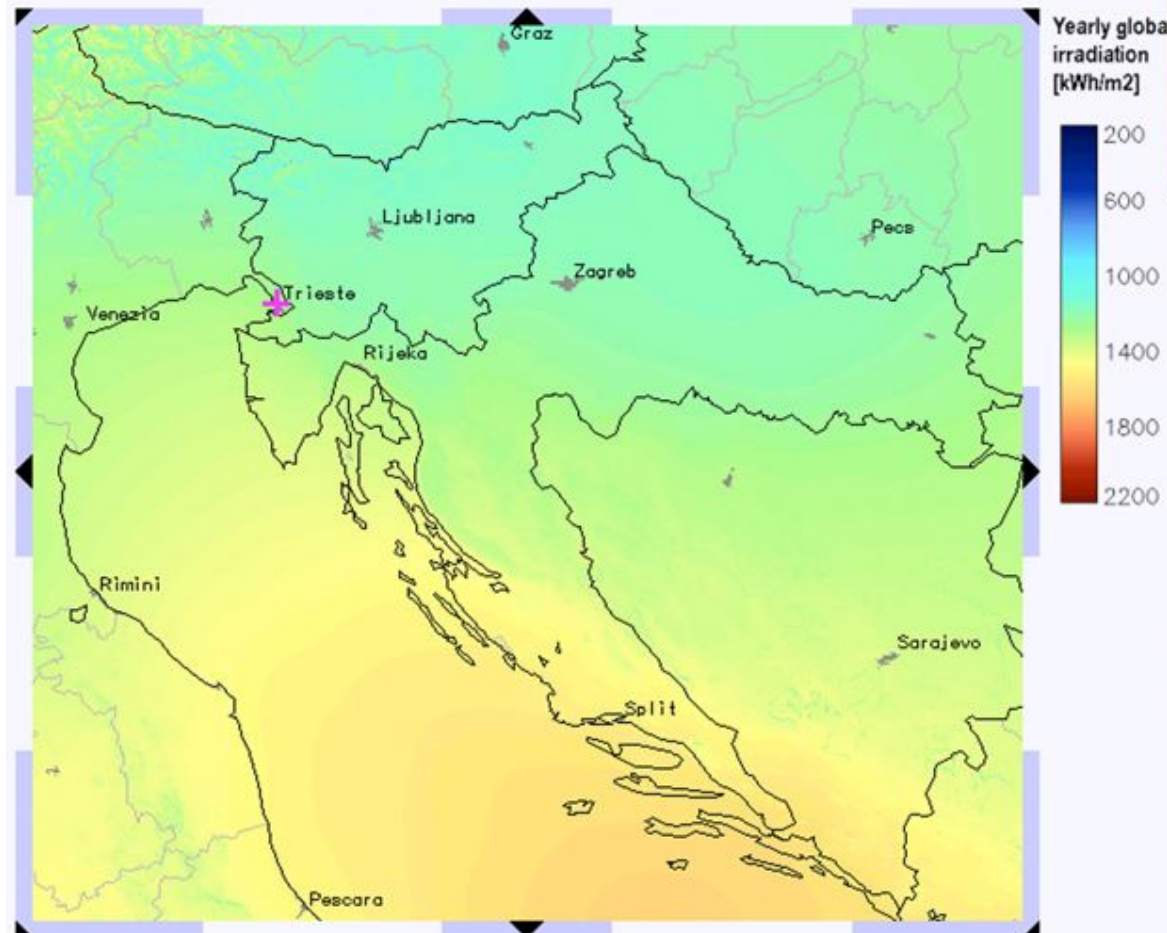
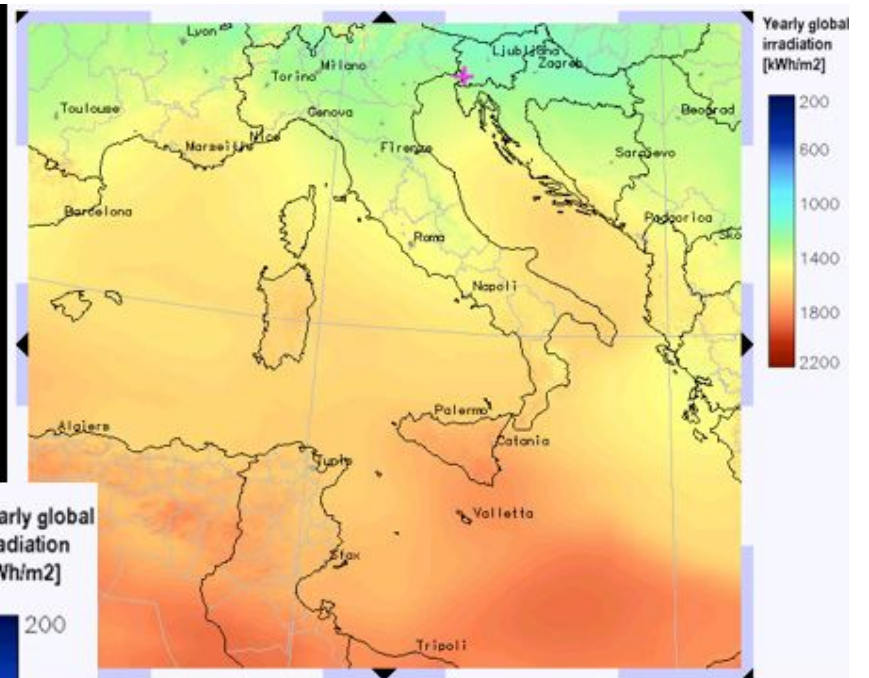
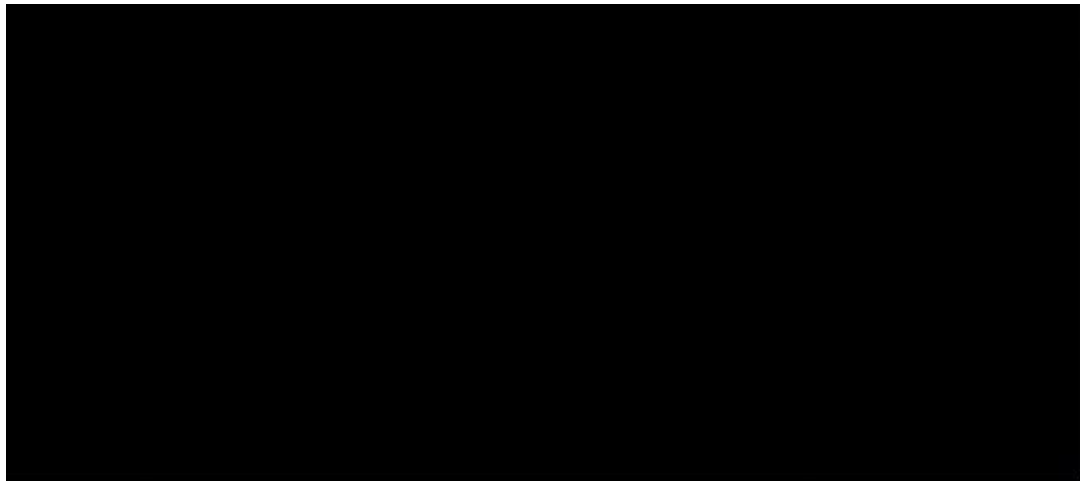
Need to solve the inequities . . .

Is ***solar*** part of the solution?

Solar is real . . .
now and for our future

Important issues for solar:

1. Solar Resource (*Need to know*)
2. Efficiency (buildings, appliances, . . .)
(*Need to have*)



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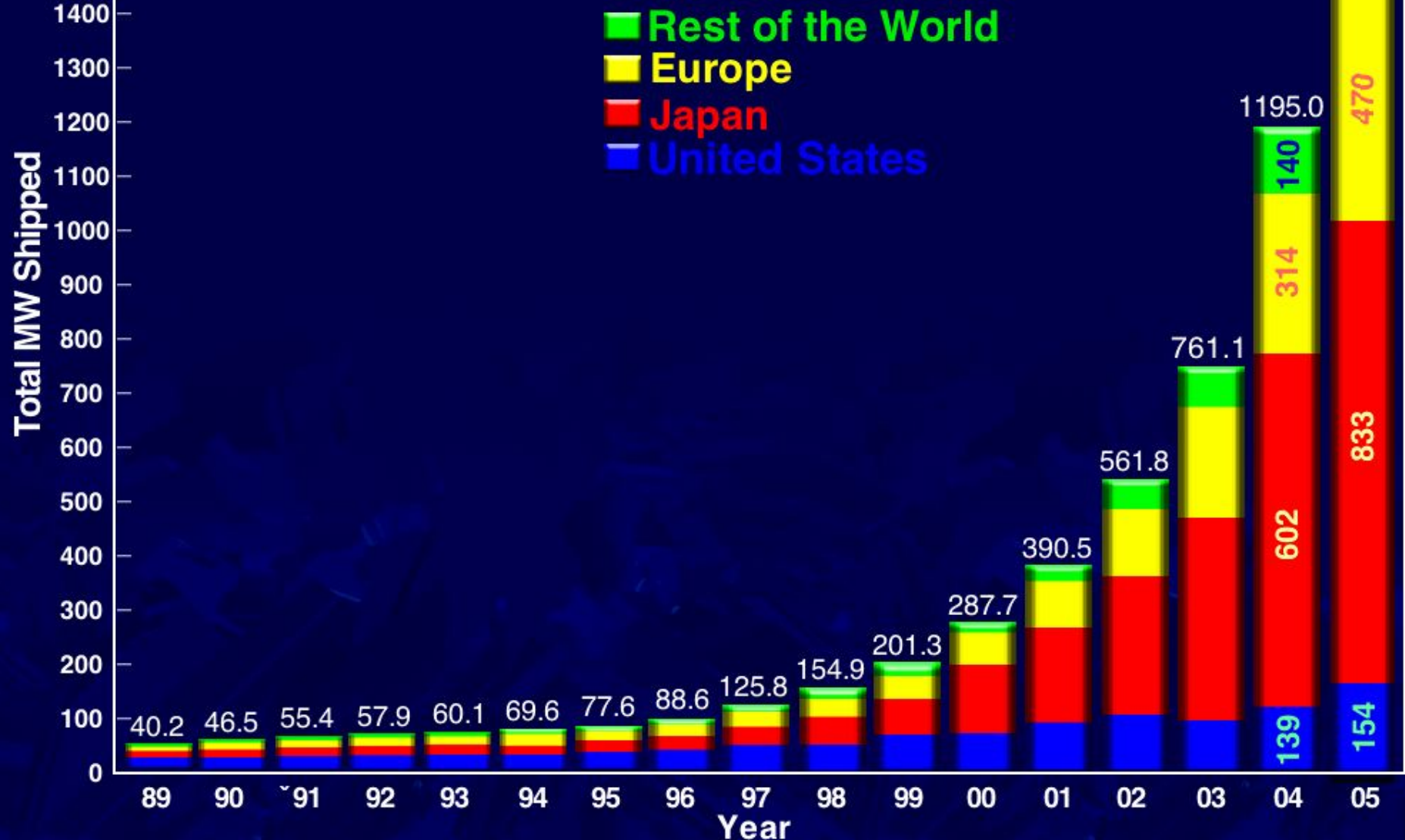
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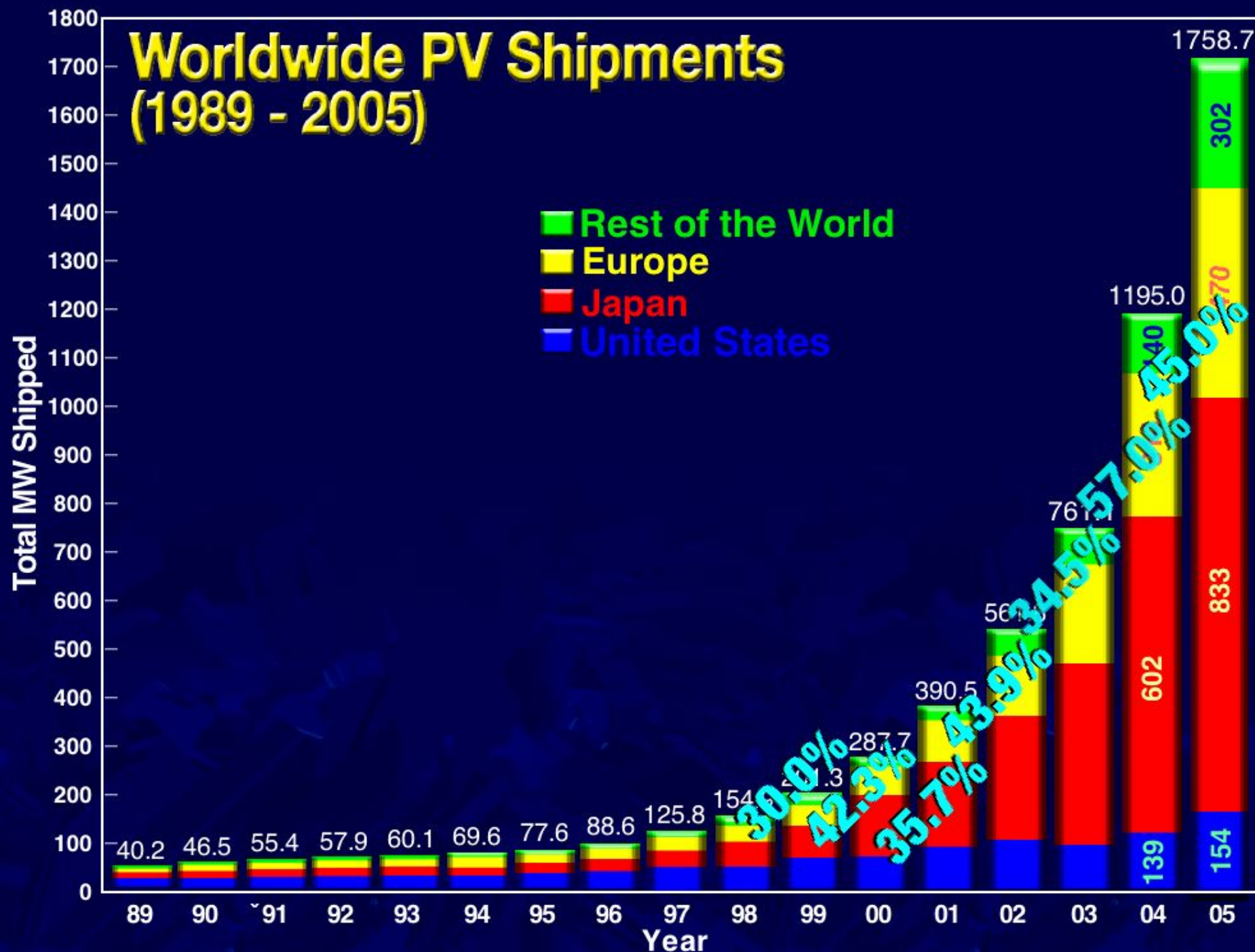
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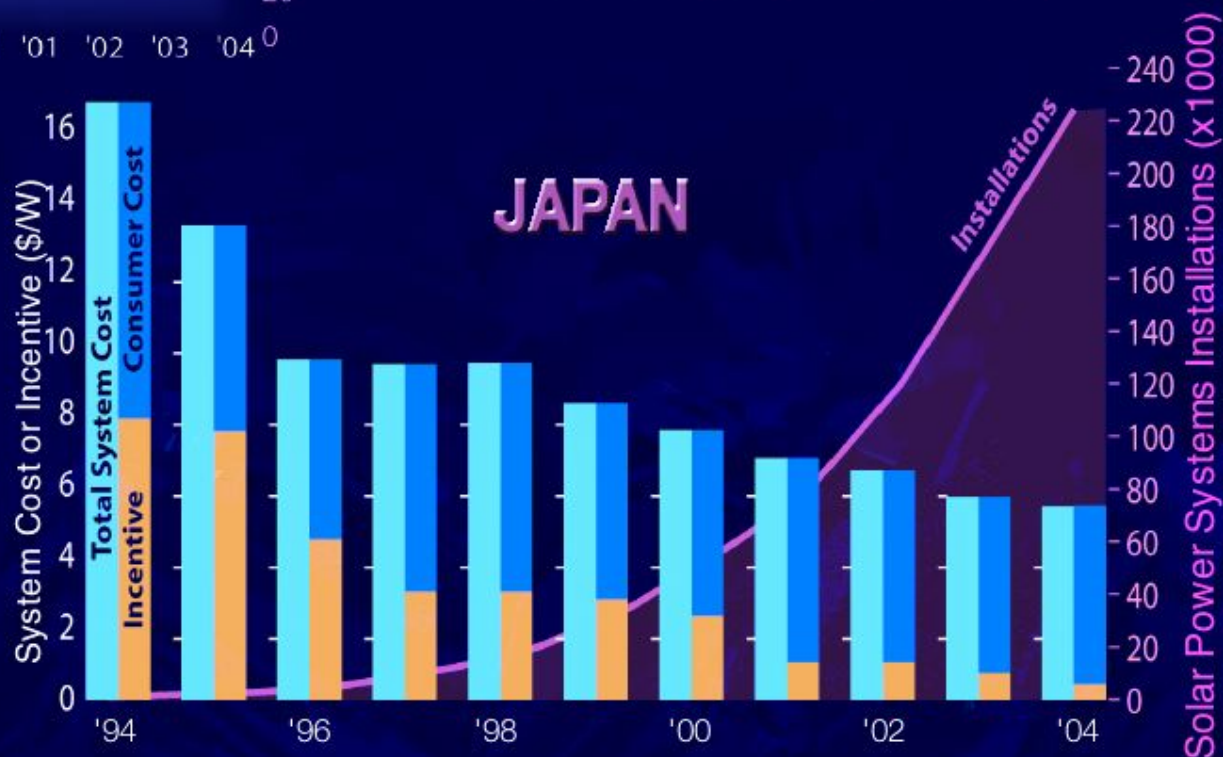


German Feed-In Tarrif Program

- Pay for kWh produced by PV into grid
- Tariff phase-out:
Introduction in 2000: ~50 Euro cents for every kWh fed into grid (20-year guarantee); Price is reduced 5 % every year for subsequent years
- "100,000 Roofs Program" (provides low-cost loans)
- Result: 20 MW/yr market in 2000; ~250 MW/year currently
- Pay? Cost is spread over the entire electricity user rate base—utilities are *not* negatively impacted: no government annual appropriations (cost to consumer? ~1EU/month!)

Japan Subsidy Program

- "700,000 Roofs"
- Capital investment buy down
- Subsidy phase-out:
Introduction: 50% cash subsidy for 3-4 kW grid-connected system
Current: About 7% subsidy this year
- Result: 500 systems in 1995; 230,000 in 2004



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Fostered

- market growth & acceptance by consumer
- sustainable markets (long-term commitment)
- internationally competitive mass production
- product shortage! Benefits to some newer technologies for significant market introduction

Feed-In Law
100,000 Rooftop Program

Yearly Installed MWp

JAPAN

System Cost or Incentive (\$/W)

Total System Cost
Incentive
Consumer Cost

Installations

Solar Power Systems Installations (x1000)

'94

'96

'98

'00

'02

'04

"What we are proposing . . . really does work. And . . . will deliver the proven benefits of more jobs, a cleaner environment, and more secure domestic energy."

By

2025: 1/2 of new U.S. electricity generation (100 GW)

By

2030: 500-fold growth in U.S. installed capacity over 2004
150-fold growth in U.S. annual shipments
40% reduction in consumer system price
80% reduction in consumer electricity rates
Direct employment more than supported now
by General Electric

By

2050: Electricity equivalent
to 40%-50% consumed
in U.S. buildings

OUR Solar
Power
FUTURE

The U.S. Photovoltaics Industry Roadmap Through 2030 and Beyond

How?

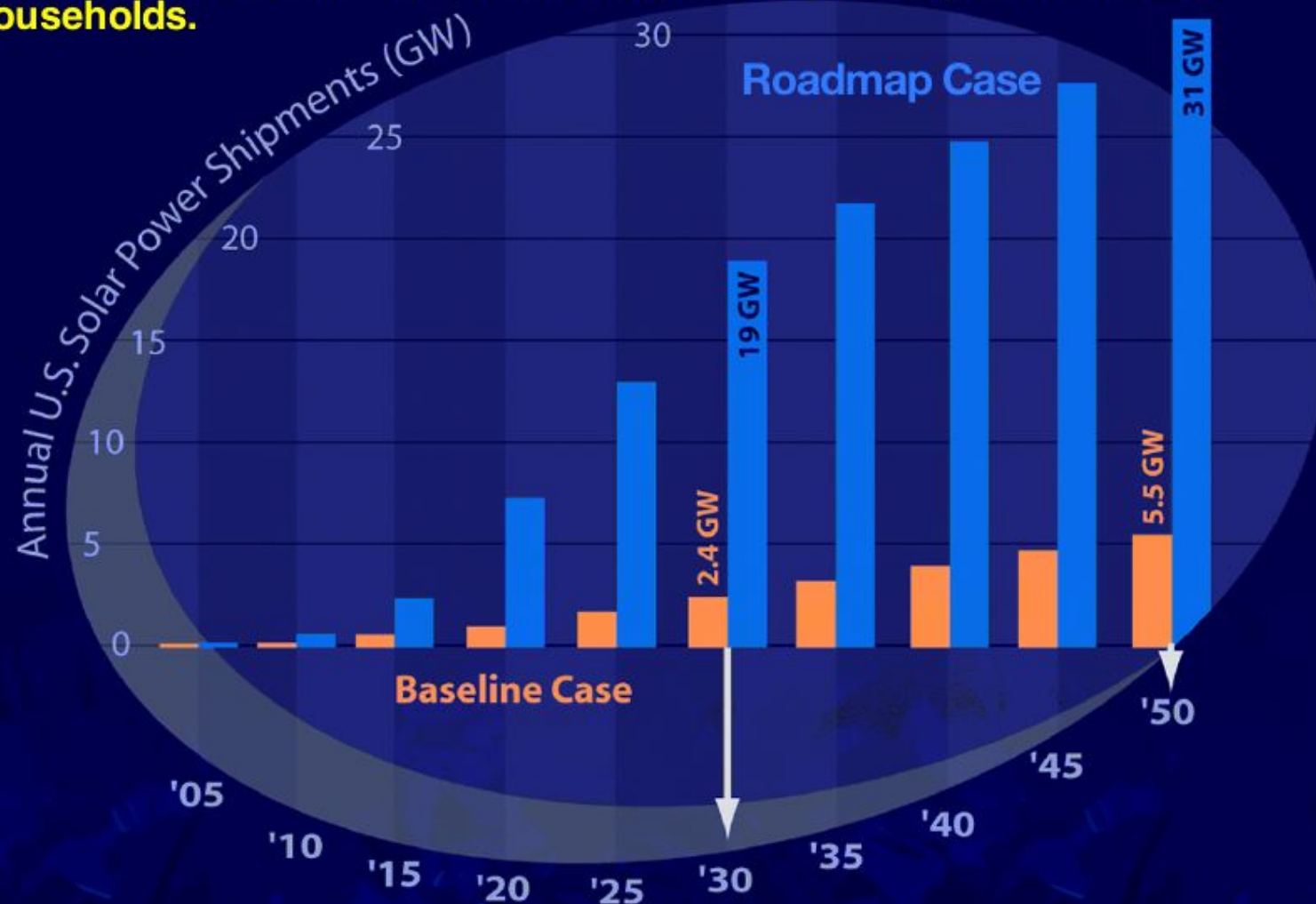
Reclaiming Market Leadership (Policies)

- Enact residential and commercial tax credits
- Establish uniform net metering and interconnection standards
- Boost federal government procurements (especially in applications to enhance security)
- Support state public benefit charge programs and other state & local initiatives; build strategic alliances with public & private organizations

Maintaining Technology Ownership (R&D)

- Increase R&D investment to \$250M/year by 2010
- Strengthen investments in crystalline silicon, thin film, and balance-of-systems components/new systems concepts
- Support higher-risk, longer-term R&D that can leapfrog beyond today's technologies (performance/cost)
- Enhance funding for facilities and equipment to shorten the time between lab discovery and industry use in manufacturing and products
- Grow partnerships among industry, universities and national laboratories

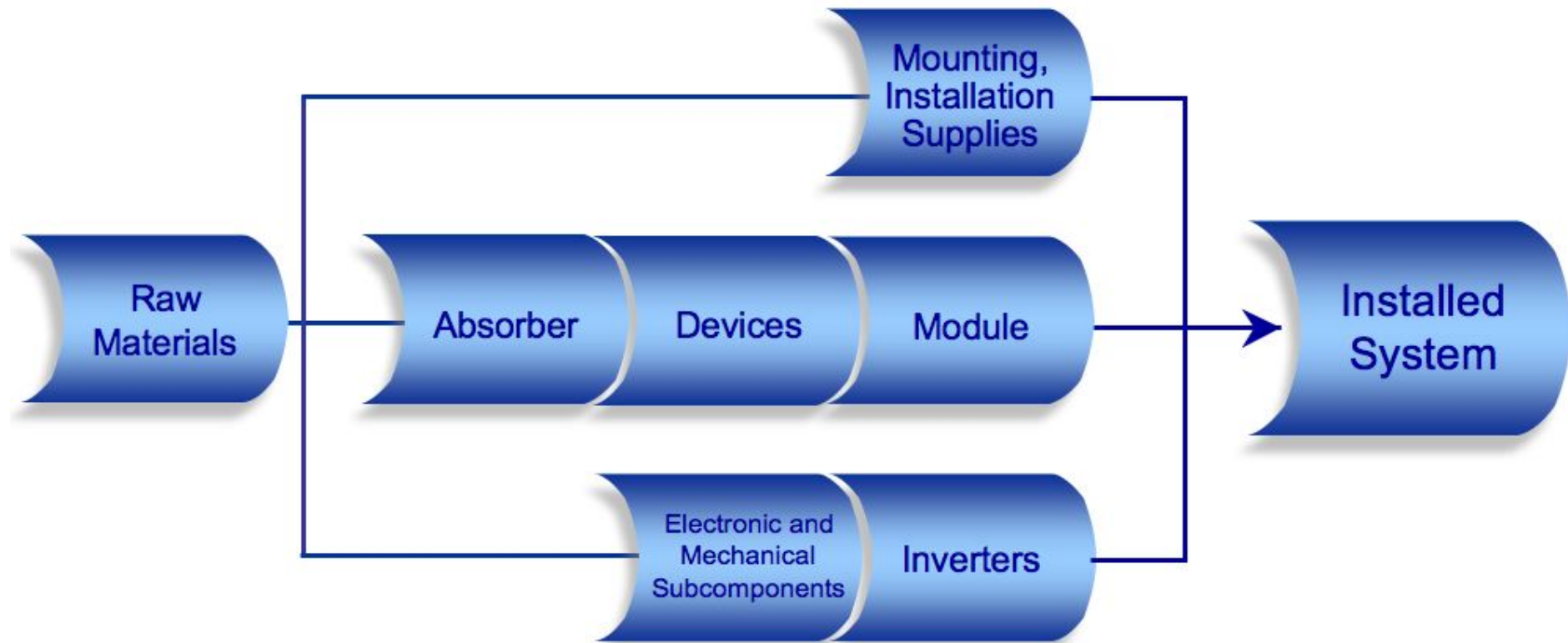
The Roadmap case would enhance annual solar electricity generation in 2030 by 360-billion kWh over the Baseline case—the amount of electricity consumed by 34 million households.



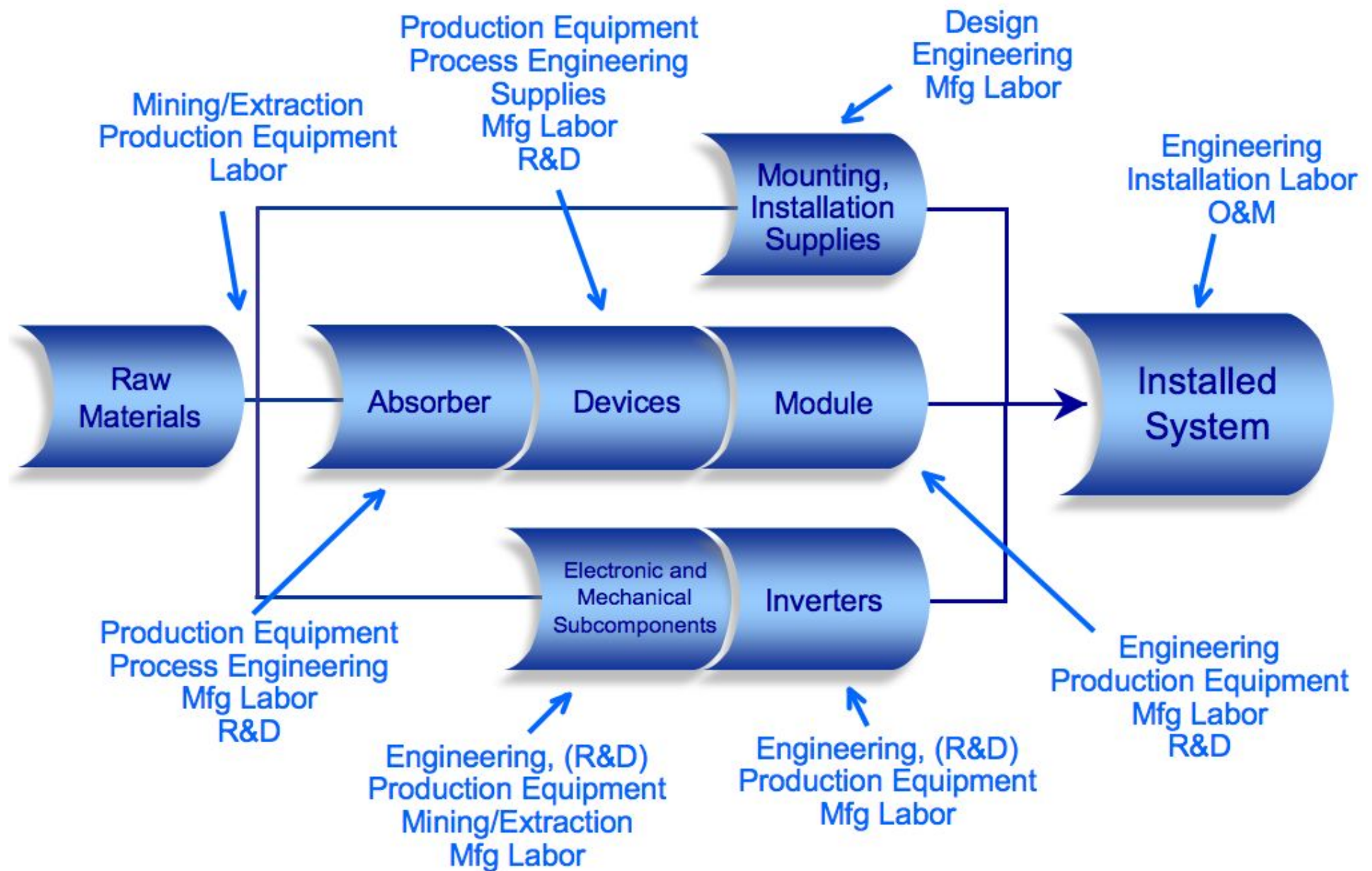
Comparison of annual U.S. solar power shipments under the Baseline and Roadmap cases.

2030 and 2050 differences are highlighted by the arrows.

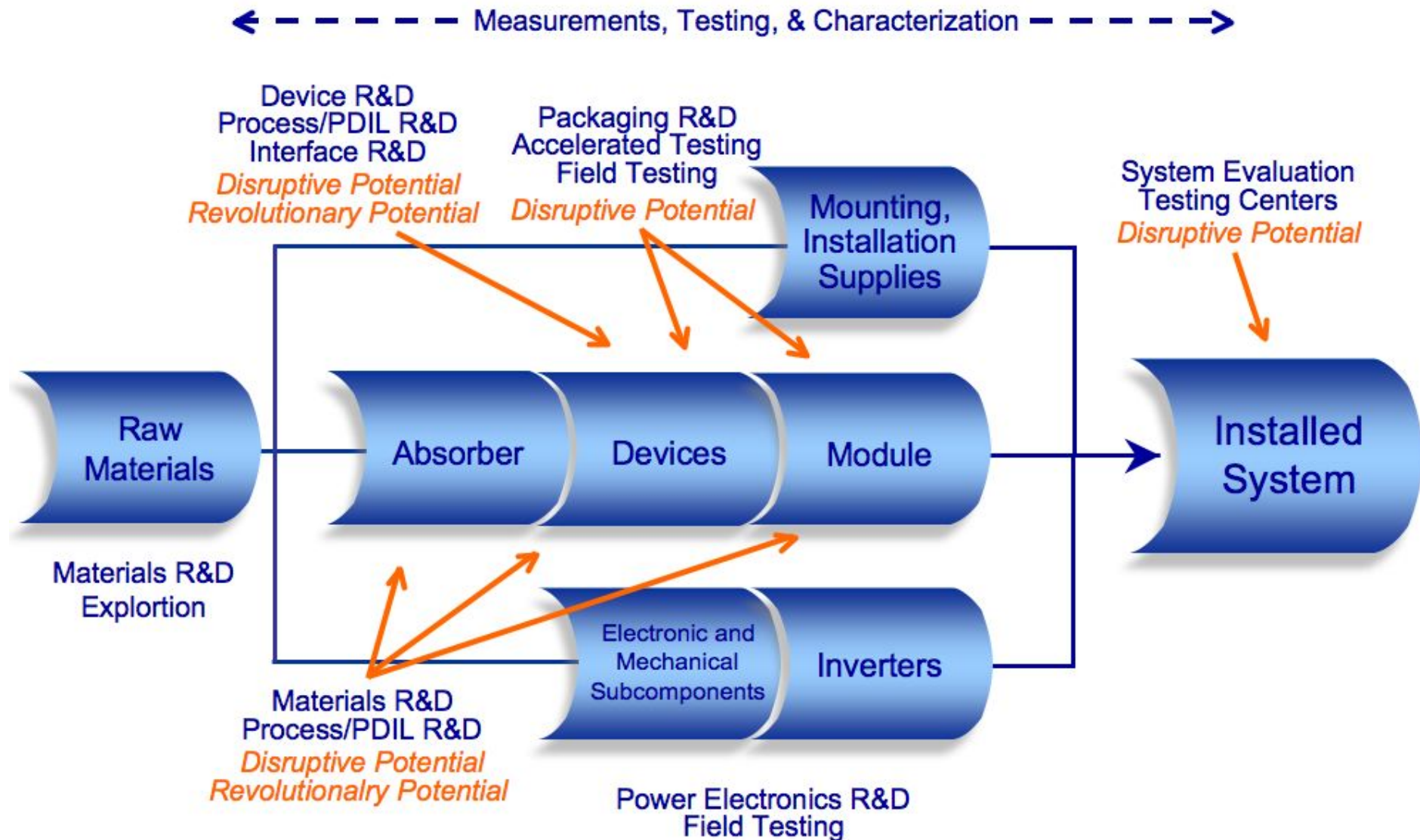
PV System Value Chain



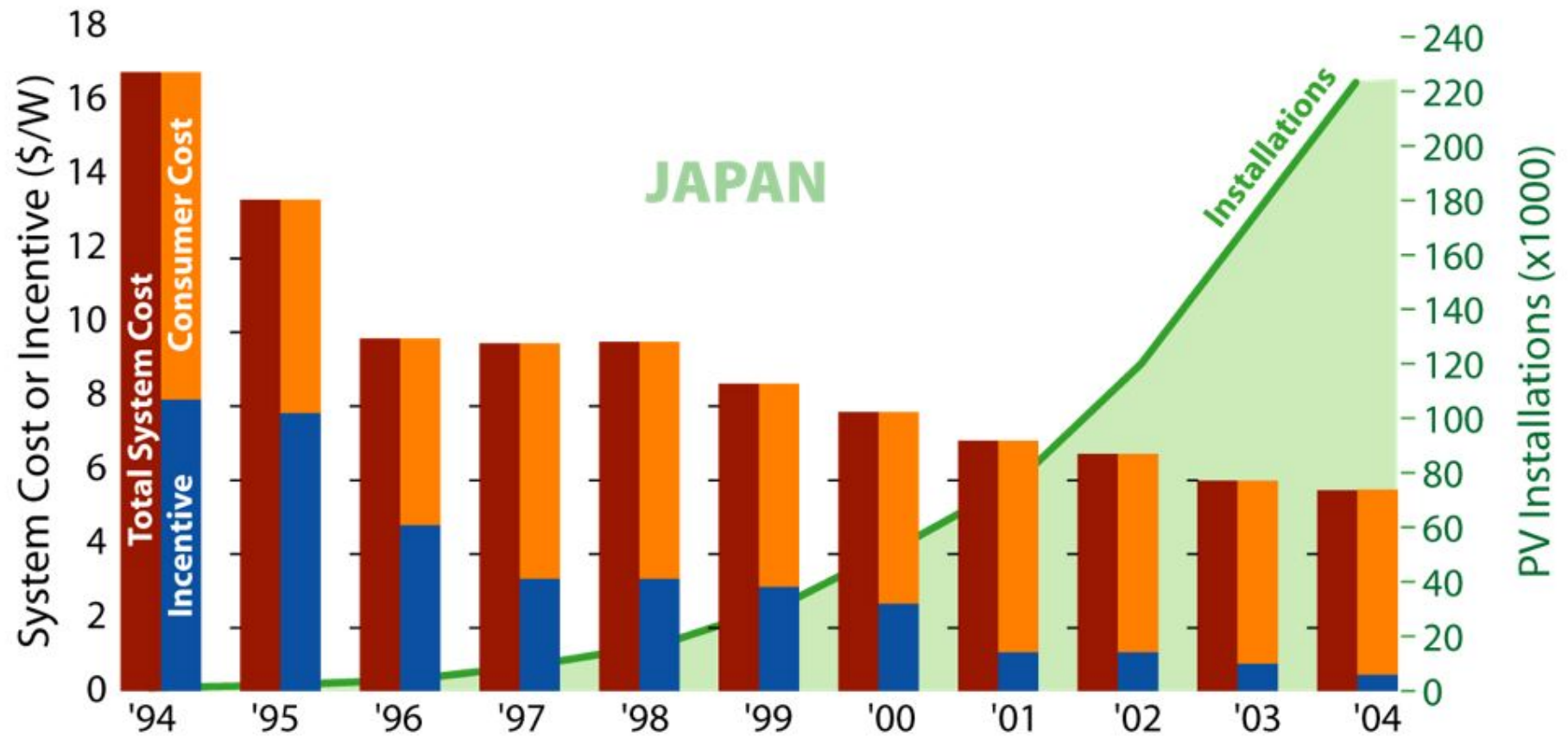


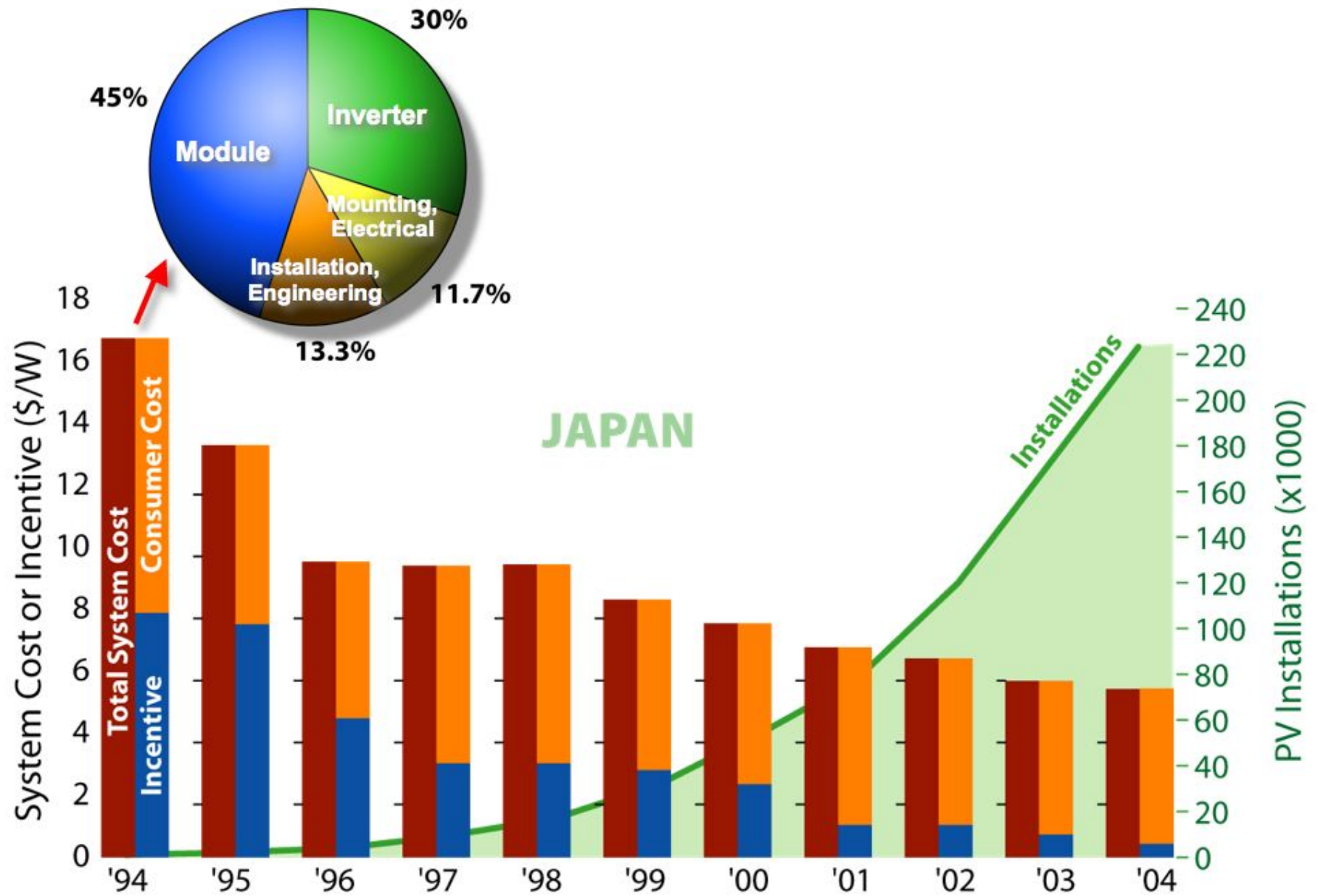


Value Chain and Key Competencies

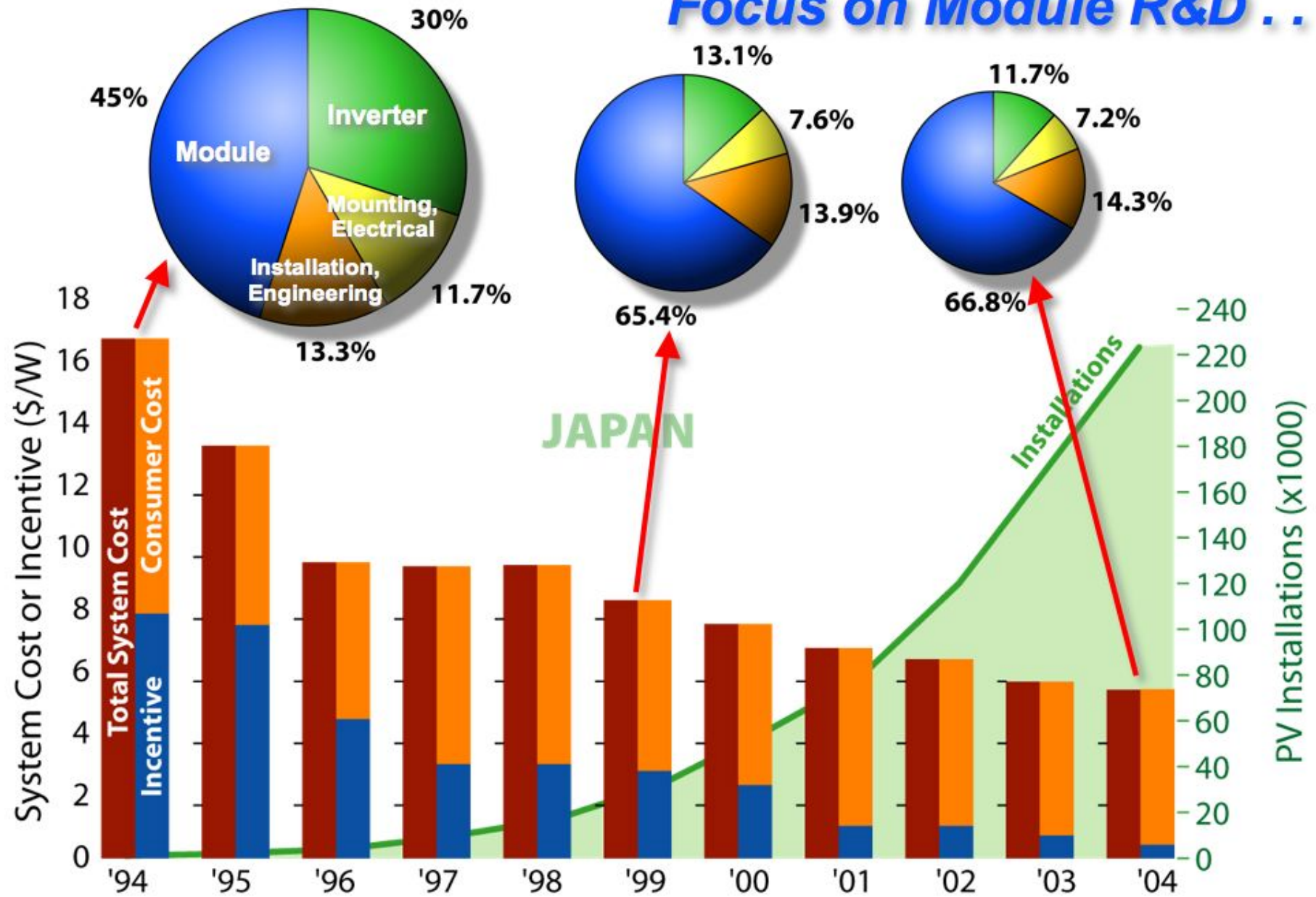


But, where to make the investment?

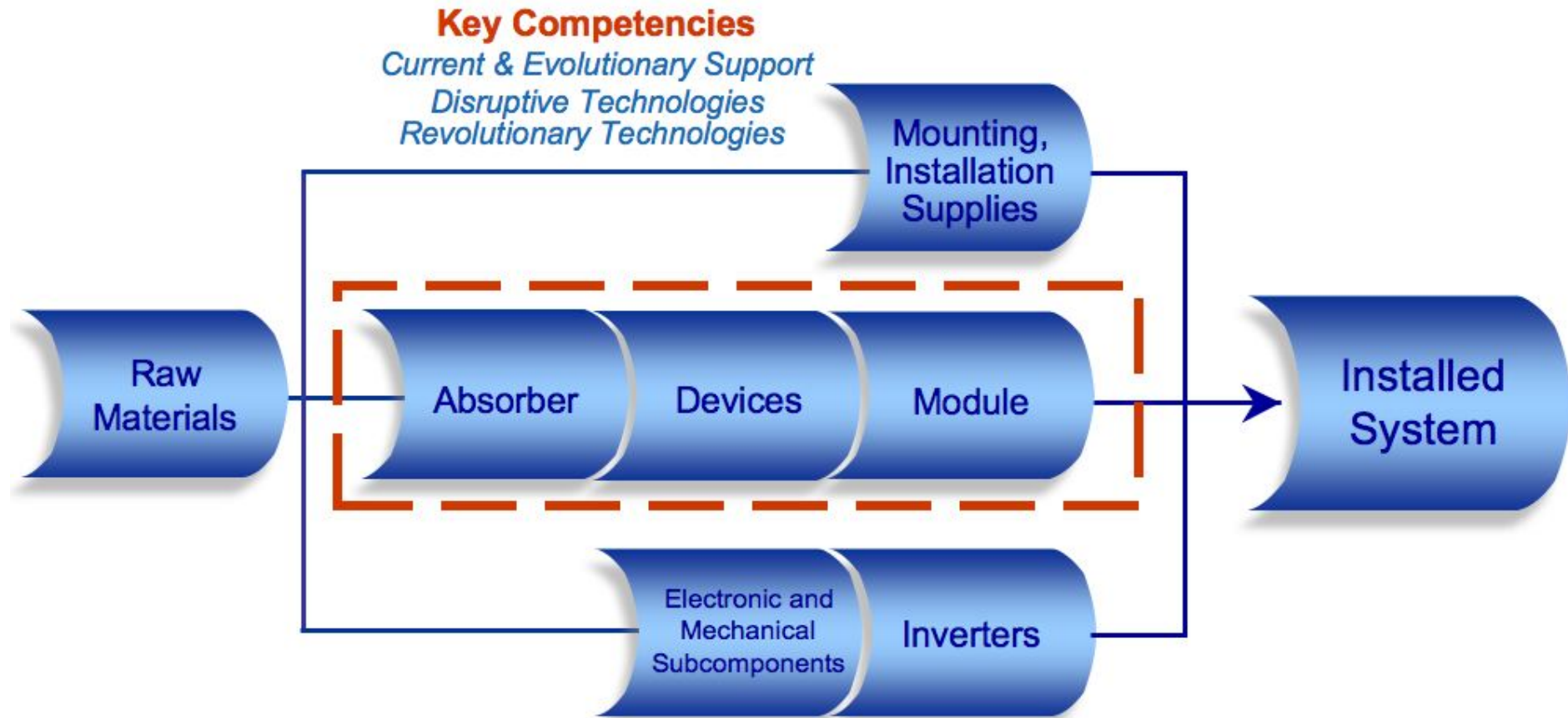


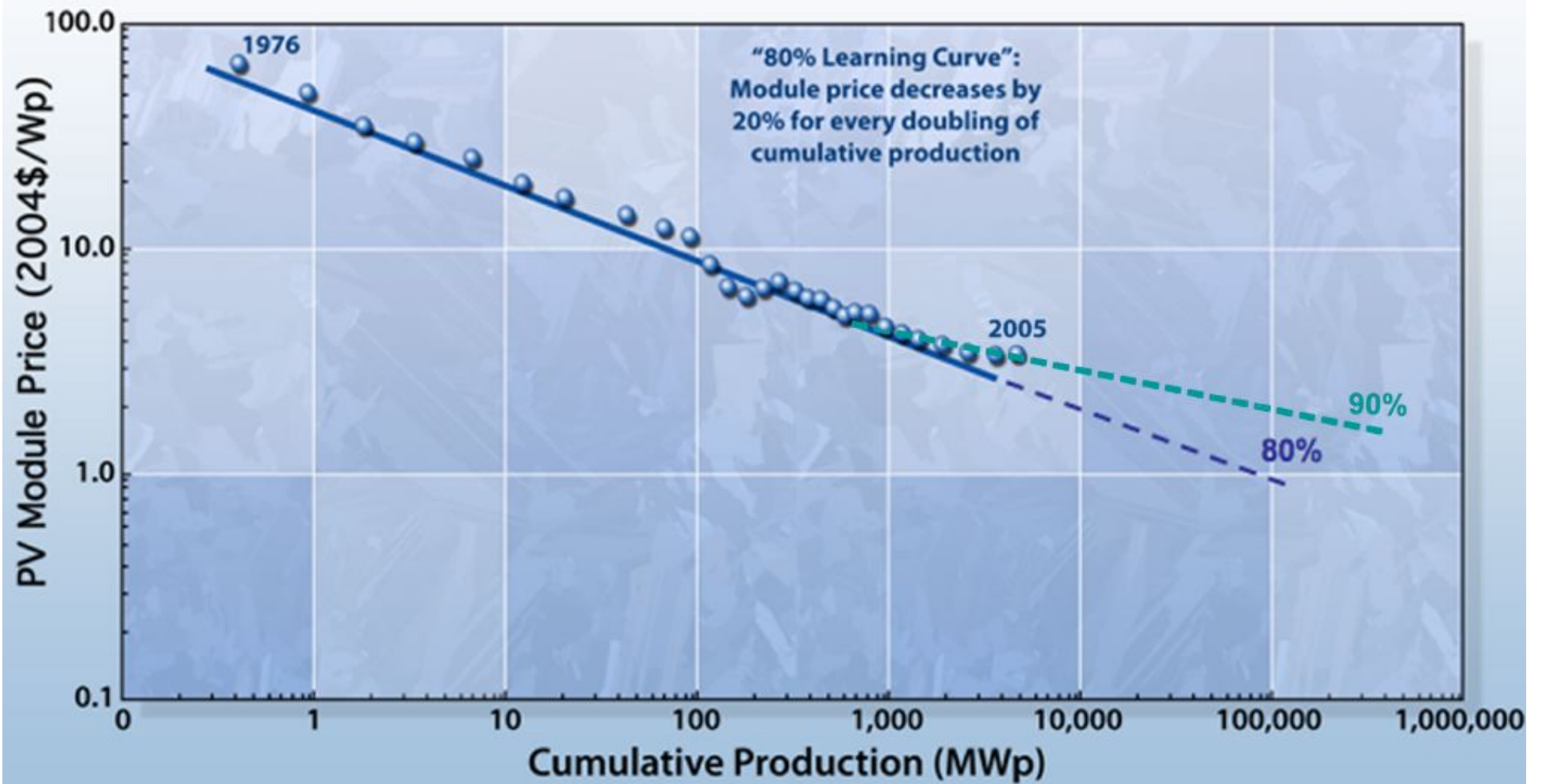


Focus on Module R&D . . .



PV System Value Chain





Technology Investment Pathways



1st-Generation PV
• Silicon

Evolutionary
(5-15 years)

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1954

I think could be a way of producing light sensitive elements etc. to be used in multistage of photo - control systems, using an conducting particles diffused - arsenic doped silicon

Surface back + contact

CH

2/10/53

March 6, 1953

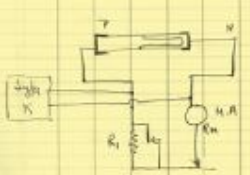
3 Rectifier from photovoltaic data
on a unit similar to that which I gave
to Christmas (see page 146) this rectifier.
It was found that 3.4V was more than
needed with open filter and.

Found data in book.

E (volts) I (mA) R

0.5	0.01	
1	0.02	
2	0.04	
3	0.07	
4	0.1	
5	0.15	
6	0.2	
7	0.3	
8	0.4	
9	0.5	
10	0.6	
11	0.7	
12	0.8	
13	0.9	
14	1.0	

3 rectifier data in the book with
no battery voltage



Rectifier Voltage	Time	R _L	V _L
0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

Testing the rectifier from circuit voltage is
approximately 3.4V.

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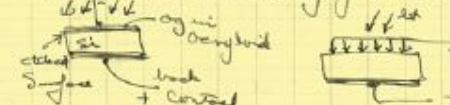
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Suggested that Chapin's
manuscript on photo voltage may
be the result of school
controls on a paper to
attend to. Now we give
a multitude of pt. controls
instructors.

Chapin tested this and found some support to the idea. He is following up further.

This could be a way of providing light sensitive elements i.e. v to use a multitude of points - metal filings, wires or conducting particles.



Witnessed & subscribed

2/23/52

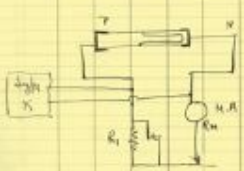
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CASE No. March 6, 1953

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a very similar to that which I gave
for *Christman* (see page 146) the whole.
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low with other fossils and.

Found also in sub.

E (pct)	I (pct)	C
0.0	0.0	
1	0.006	
2	0.078	
3	0.24	
5	0.7	
8	1.86	
1.5	3.0	2.7
1.0	3.57	2.0
1.6	4.6	3.0

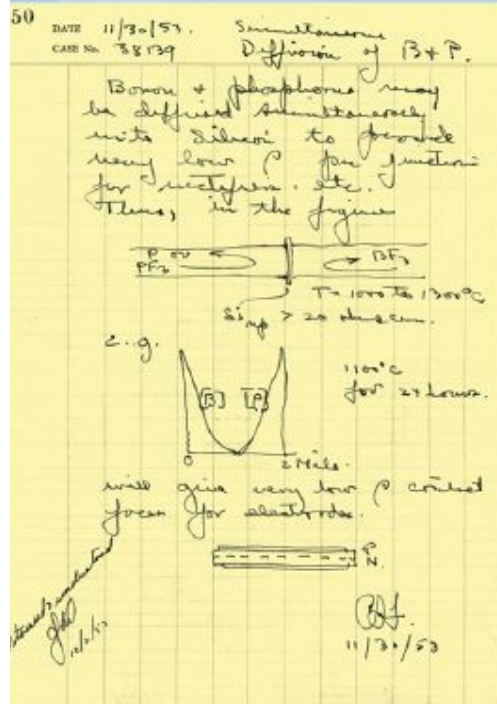
I swept took bats in the light with
no battery voltage



Run	Time	Run	Y ₂
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2000	0.04	200	0.01
3000	1	100	0.01
4500	3	300	0.01
5000	7	45	0.01
6000	10	55	0.01
7000	15	100	0.01

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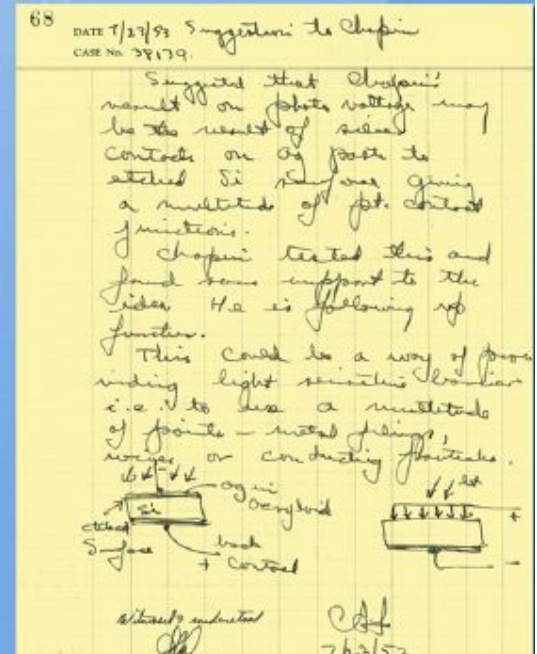


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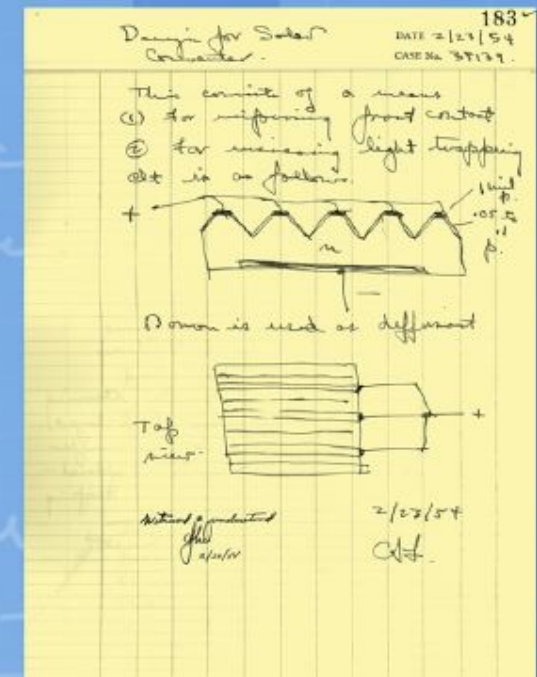
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Need to move renewable technologies faster from the laboratory bench (*research stage*) to the consumer (*commercial stage*)--like Bell Laboratories did 50 years ago

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NEWARK EVENING NEWS, MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1954

Bell Lab Puts Harness on Power in Sun's Rays

Device Connects Vast Power of the Sun Into Electric Battery Use

BY ELIZABETH WADDEN

Staff Correspondent

MURRAY HARRIS

2005

880,000,000 cells

10,000,000,000,000 cm²

1,713,000,000 watts

1954

1 cell

2 cm²

0.005 watts

A solar battery, the

simple, long-lasting

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batteries on which floodlights

were focused.

Should Last Forever

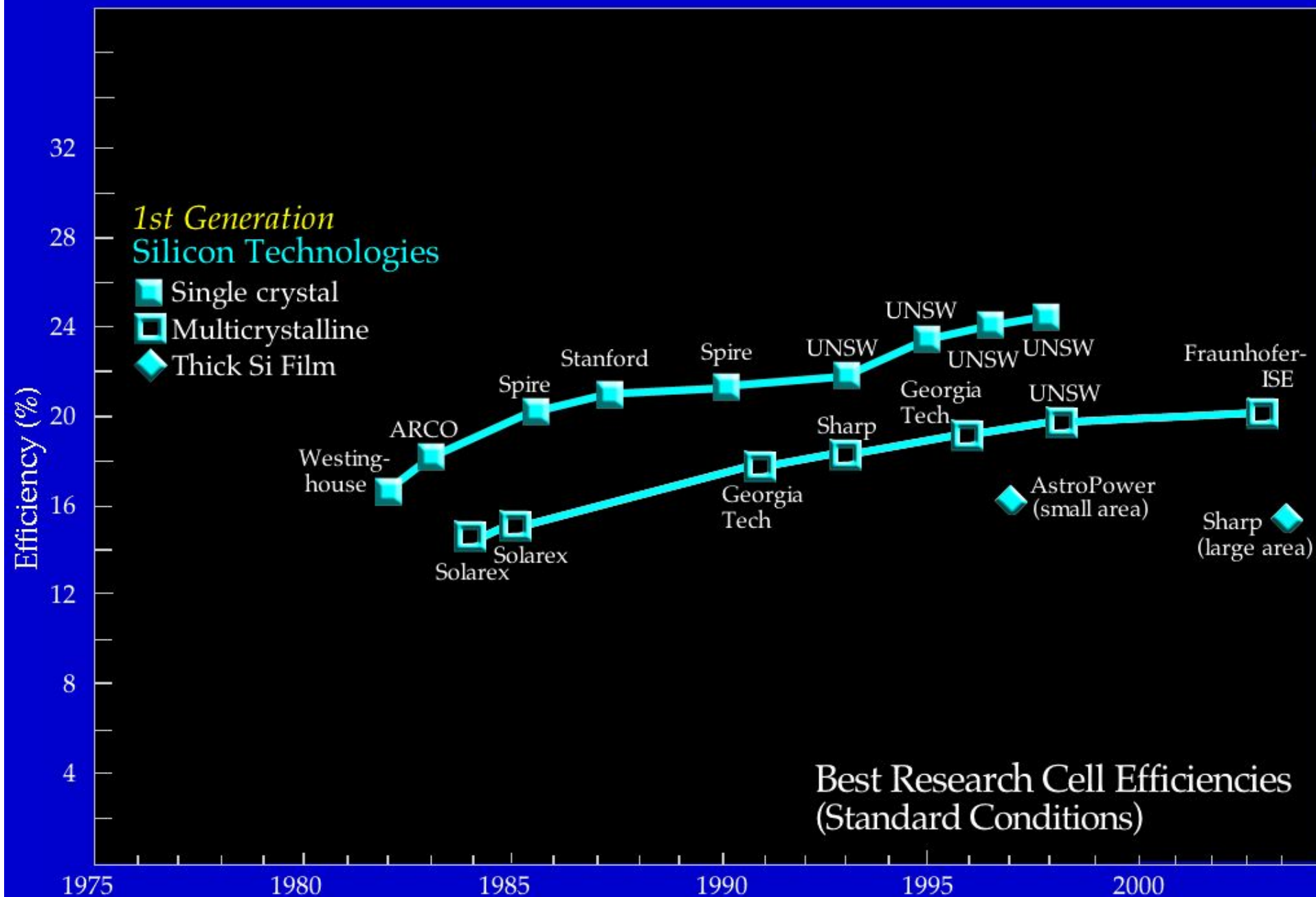
A unique feature of the device is its everlastingness. Theoretically, since nothing is consumed or destroyed during the energy conversion process

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STUDEBAKERS. GET OUR DEAL. Highest grades. DREW MOTORS, 1505

HARNESS GUN—Calvin S. Fuller, Daryl M. Chapin, and Pearson, inventors of solar battery, inspect the

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Technology Investment Pathways

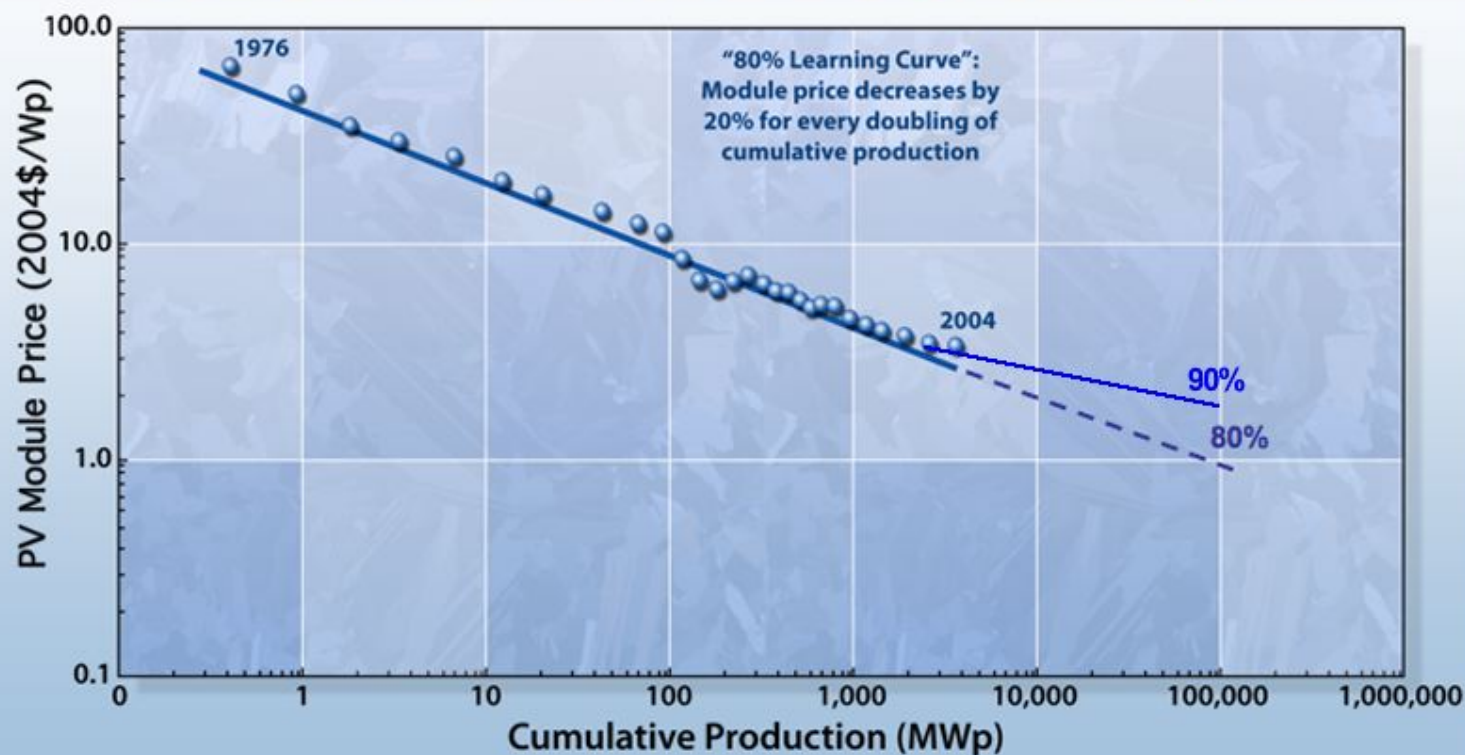
Industry-Driven

1st & 2nd Generation PV

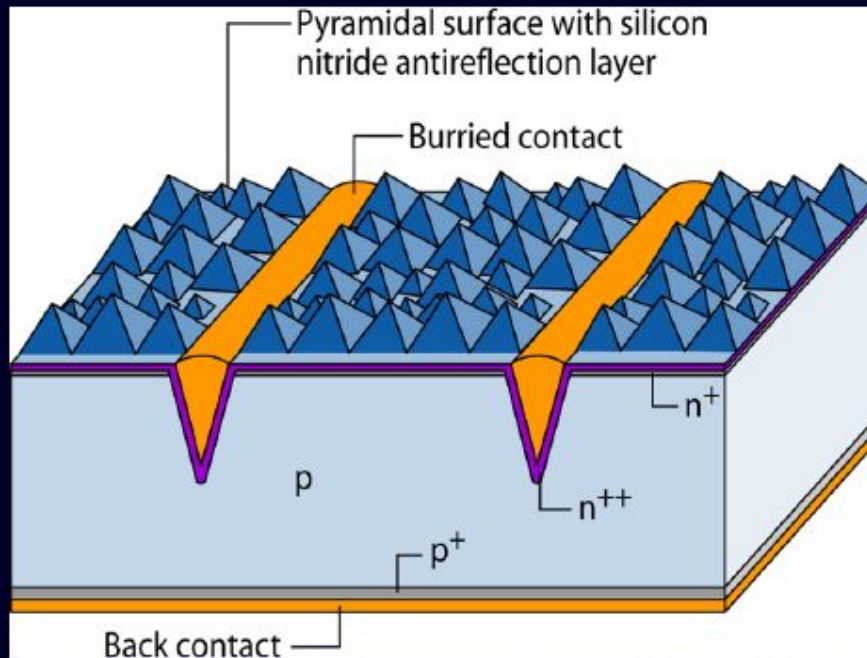
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Accelerated Evolutionary (3 years)

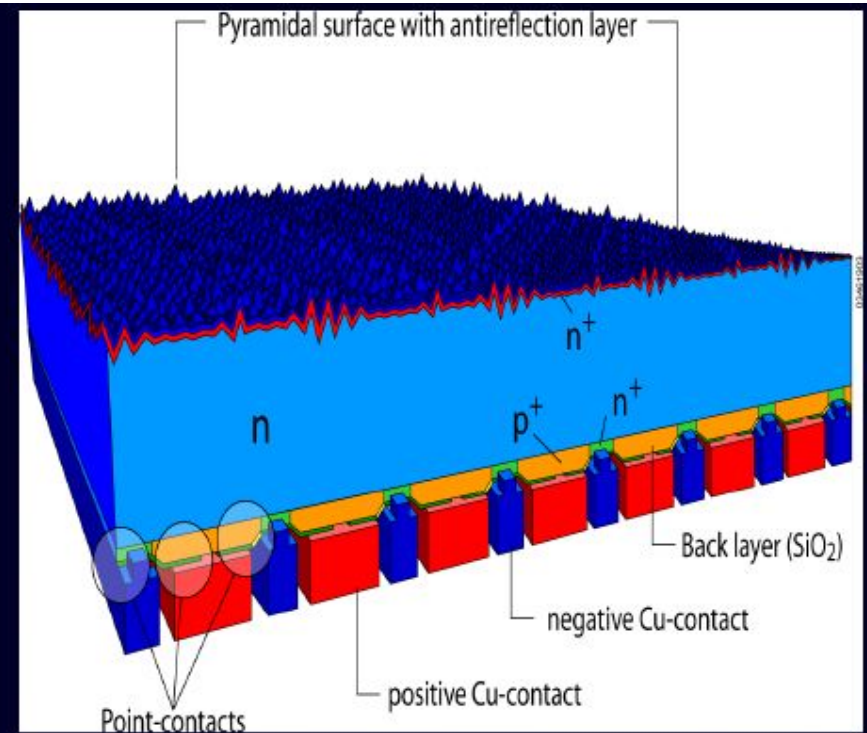
PV Module Production Experience (or “Learning”) Curve



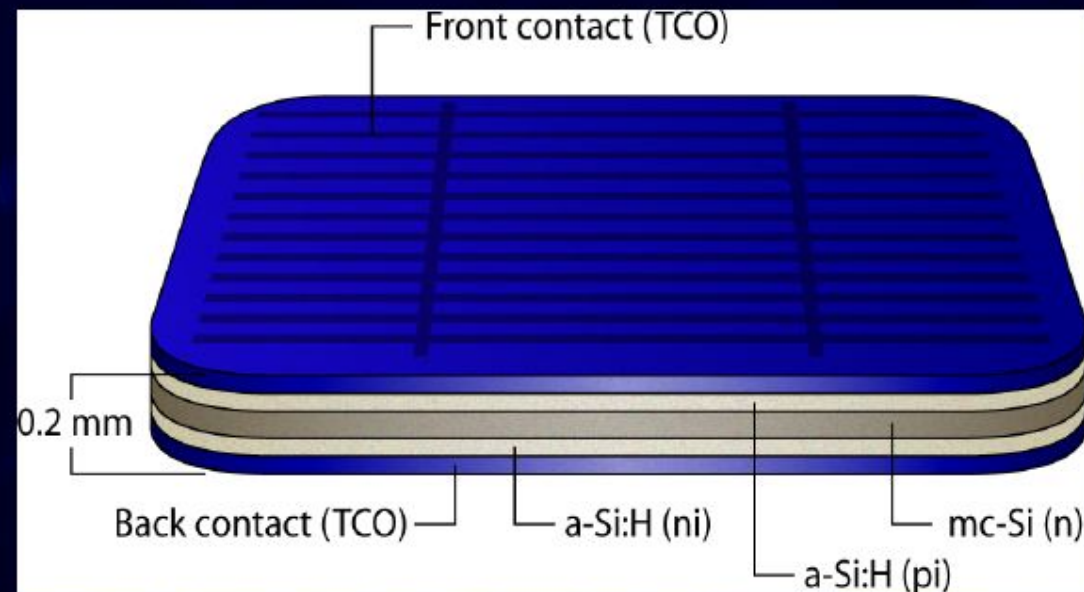
PV Si 20% Club



BP Saturn

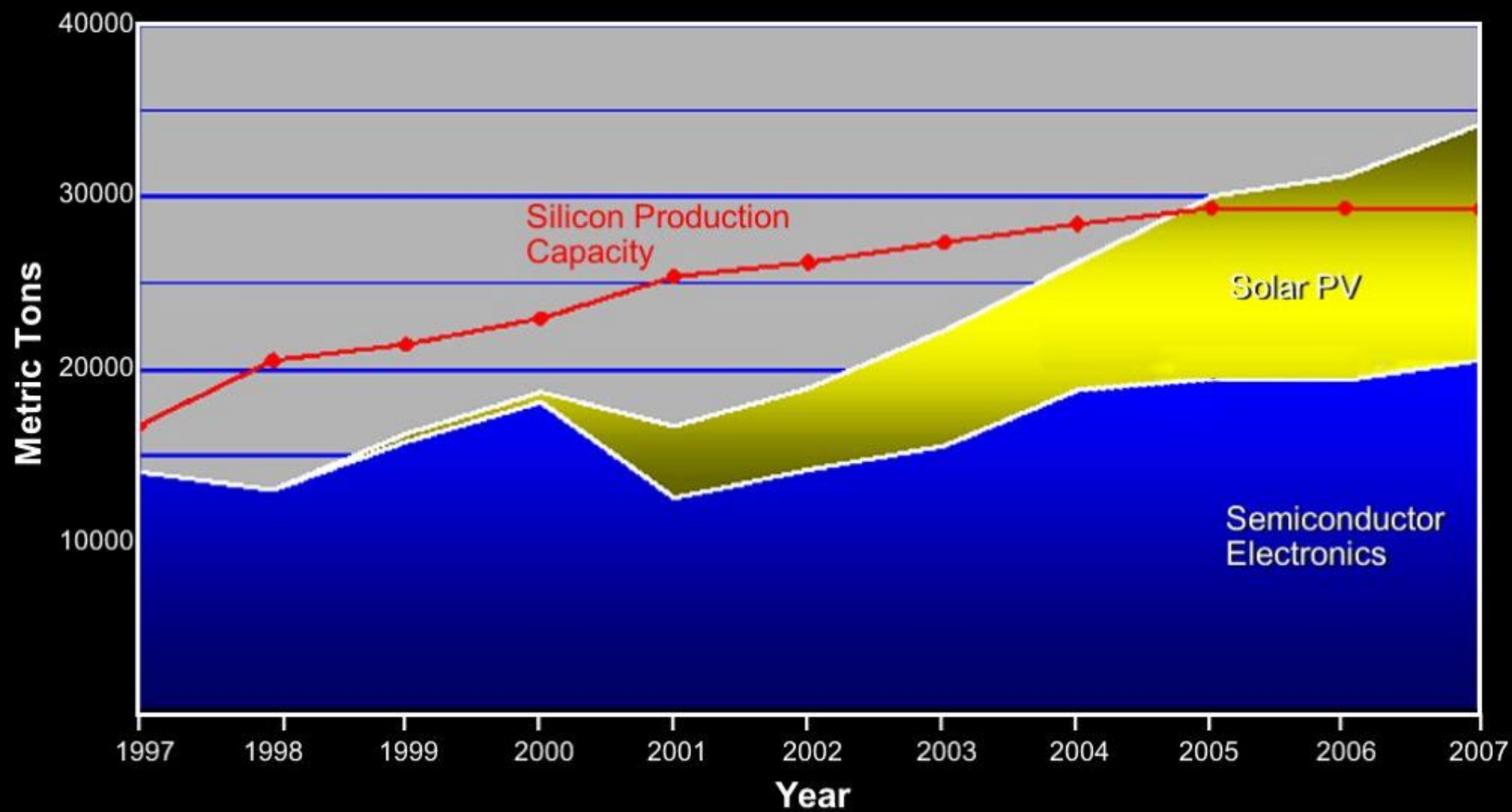


SunPower Cell



**Sanyo
HIT Cell**

The Silicon Issue



Benefits . . .

Made the Si industry examine itself.

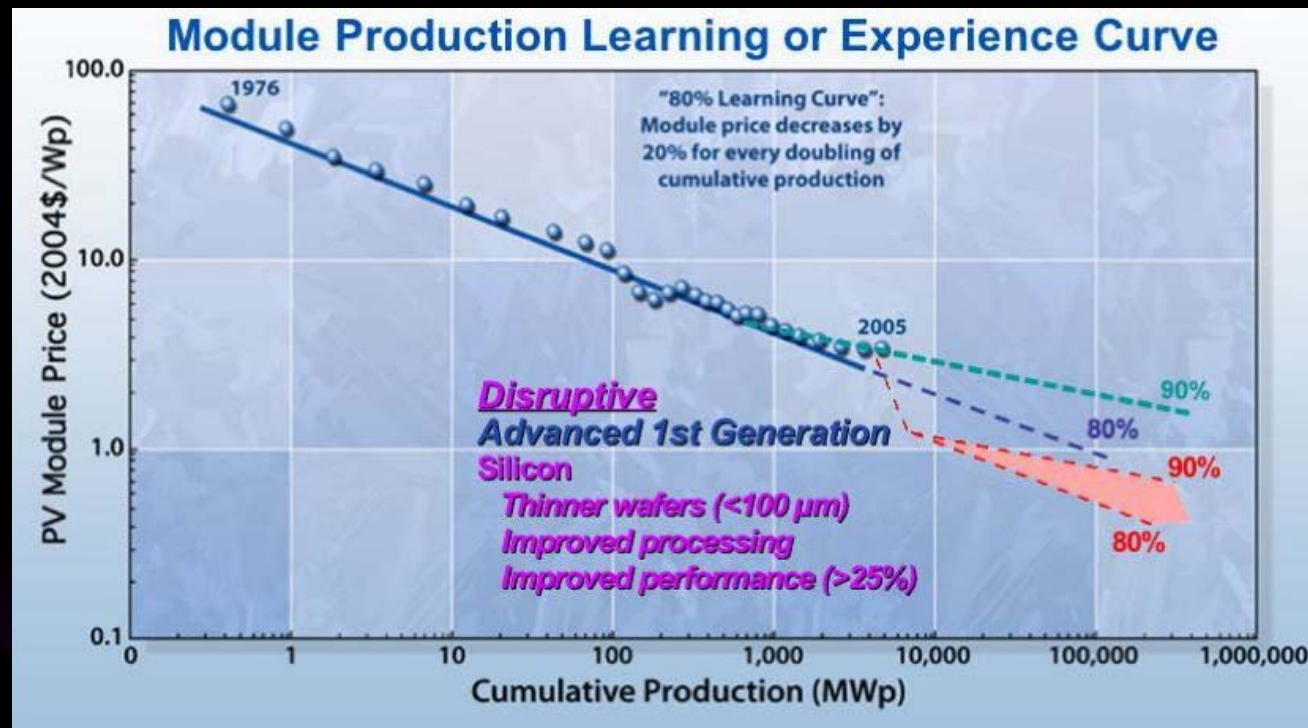
- Better Si material utilization
- Process improvements
- Performance improvements

Accelerated other technologies.

- Thin films into the marketplace
- Established companies look at alternatives

Problem: Si Shortage

Technology Investment Pathways



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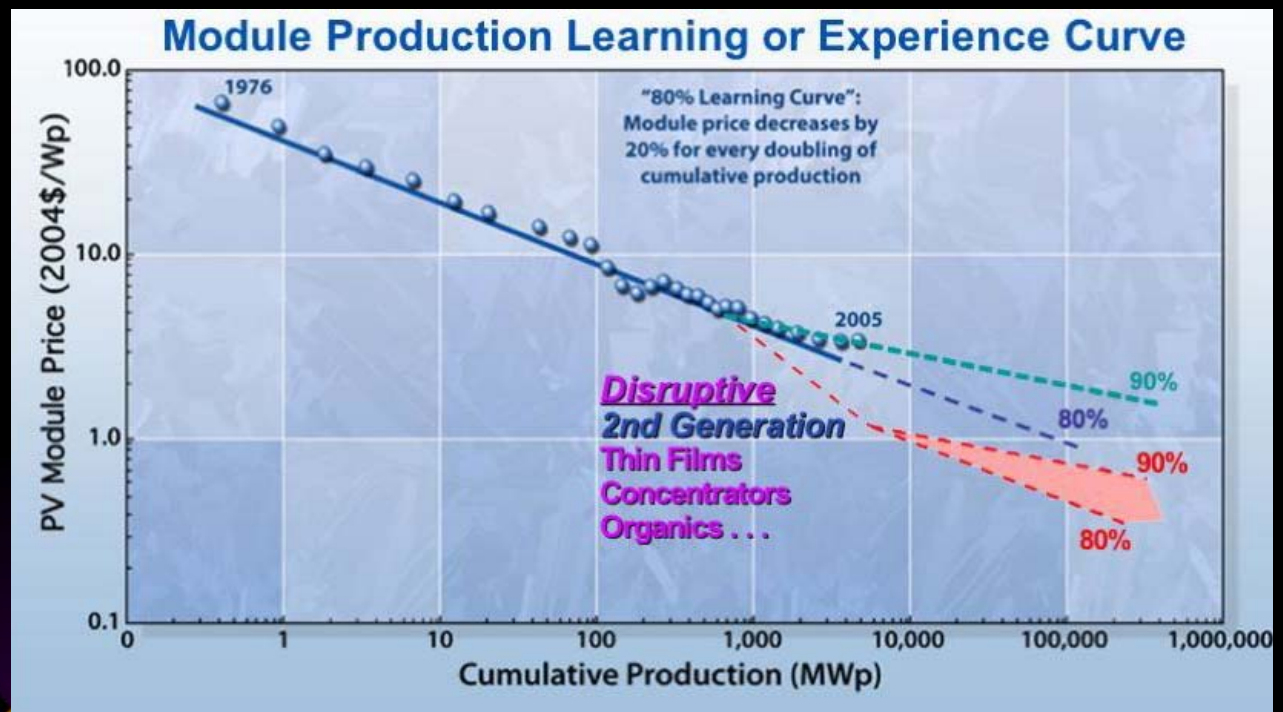
**Disruptive
(3-10 years)**

Technology-Driven

2nd Generation PV

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- organics
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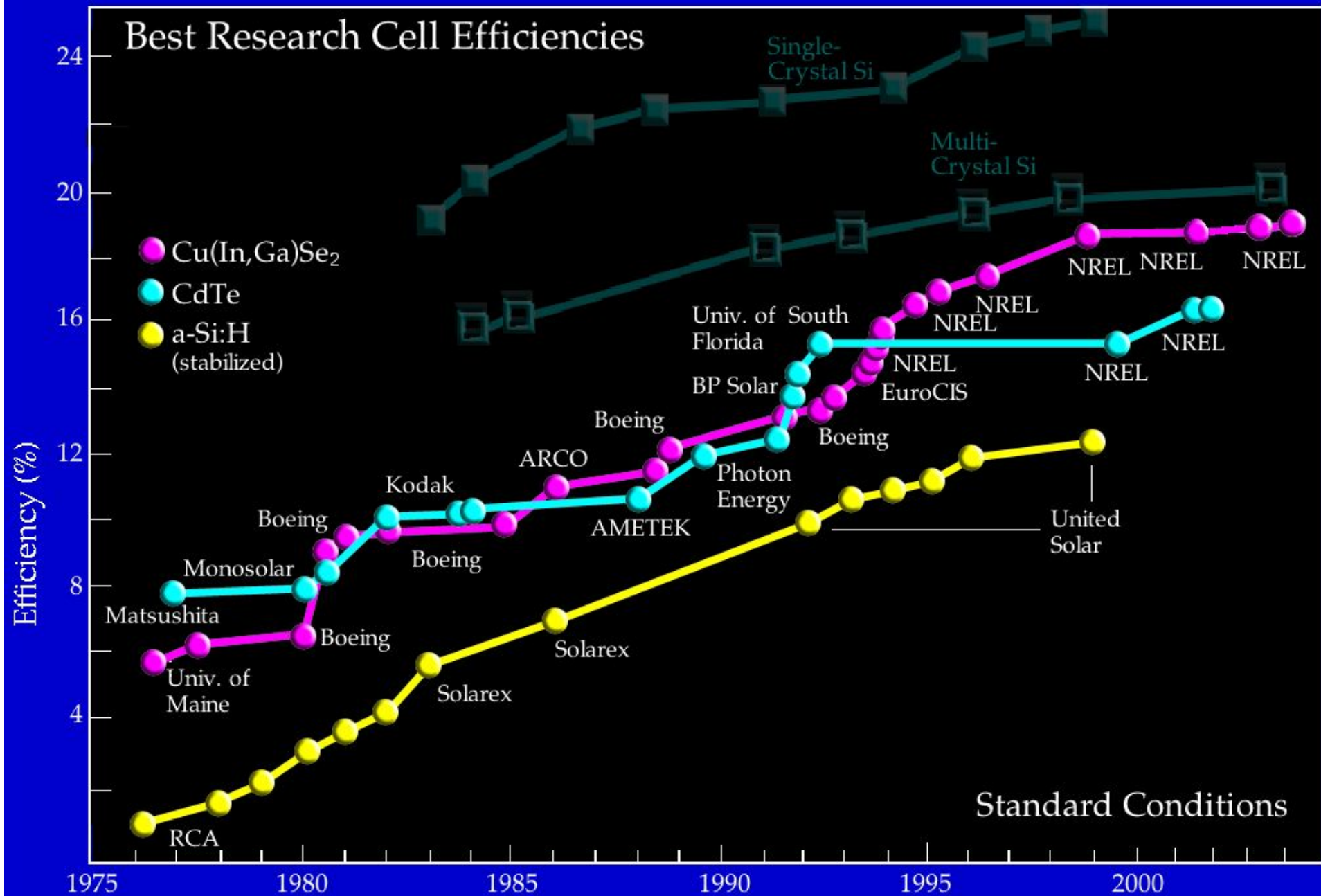
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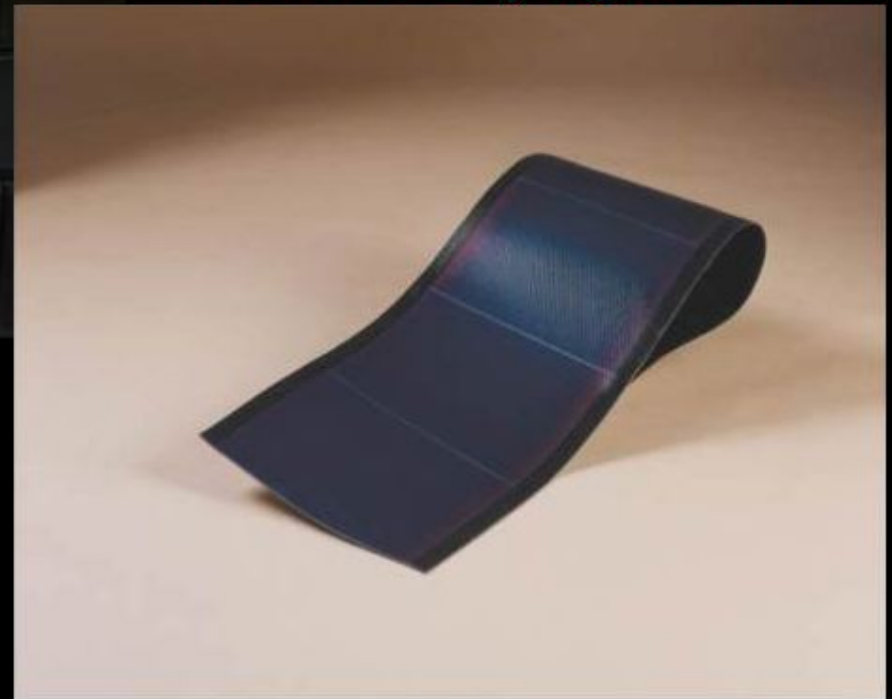
Best Research Cell Efficiencies



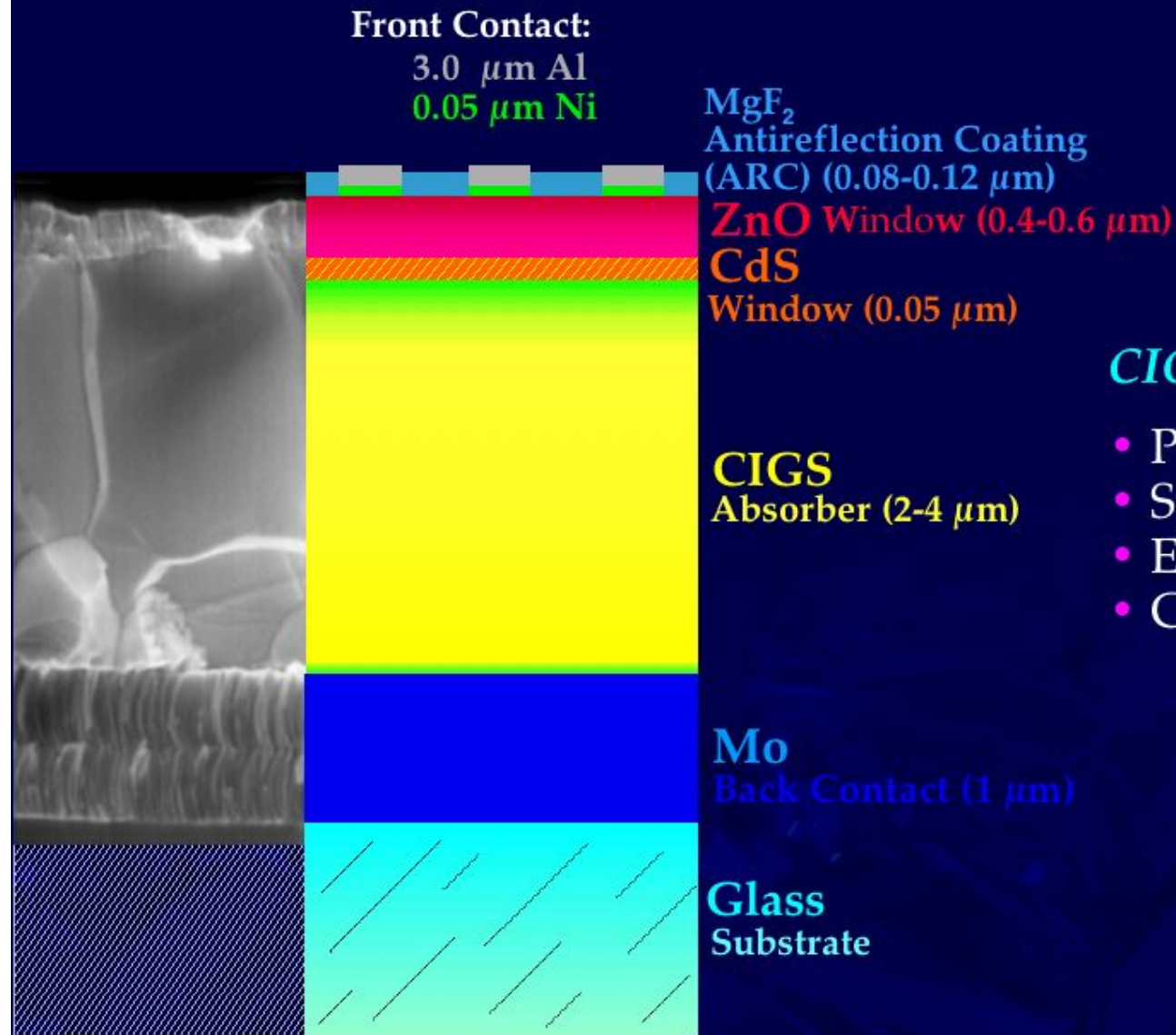
Flexible shingle laminate



Flexible roofing laminate



Thin-Film $\text{Cu}(\text{In,Ga})(\text{S,Se})_2$ - CIGSSe



CIGS Deposition

- PVD (elemental deposition)
- Sputtering / gas reaction
- Electrodeposition
- Chemical deposition

CdS/Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ Cell

Device ID: C1812-11 #3

Device Temperature: 25.0 ± 1.0 °C

Aug 18, 2004 12:48

Device Area: 0.409 cm^2

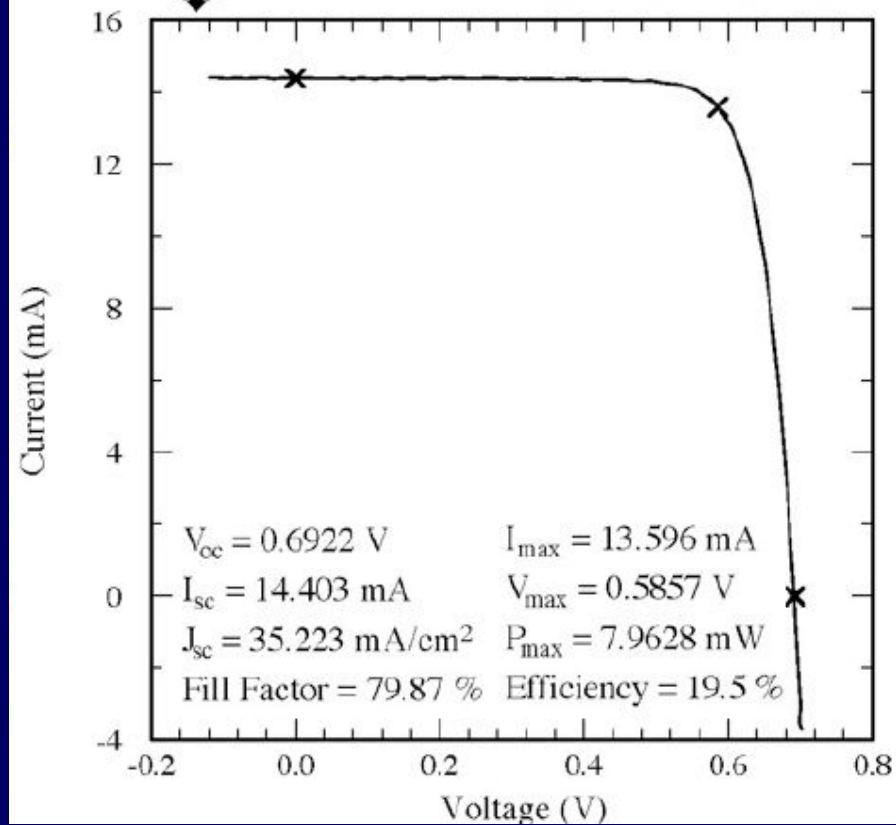
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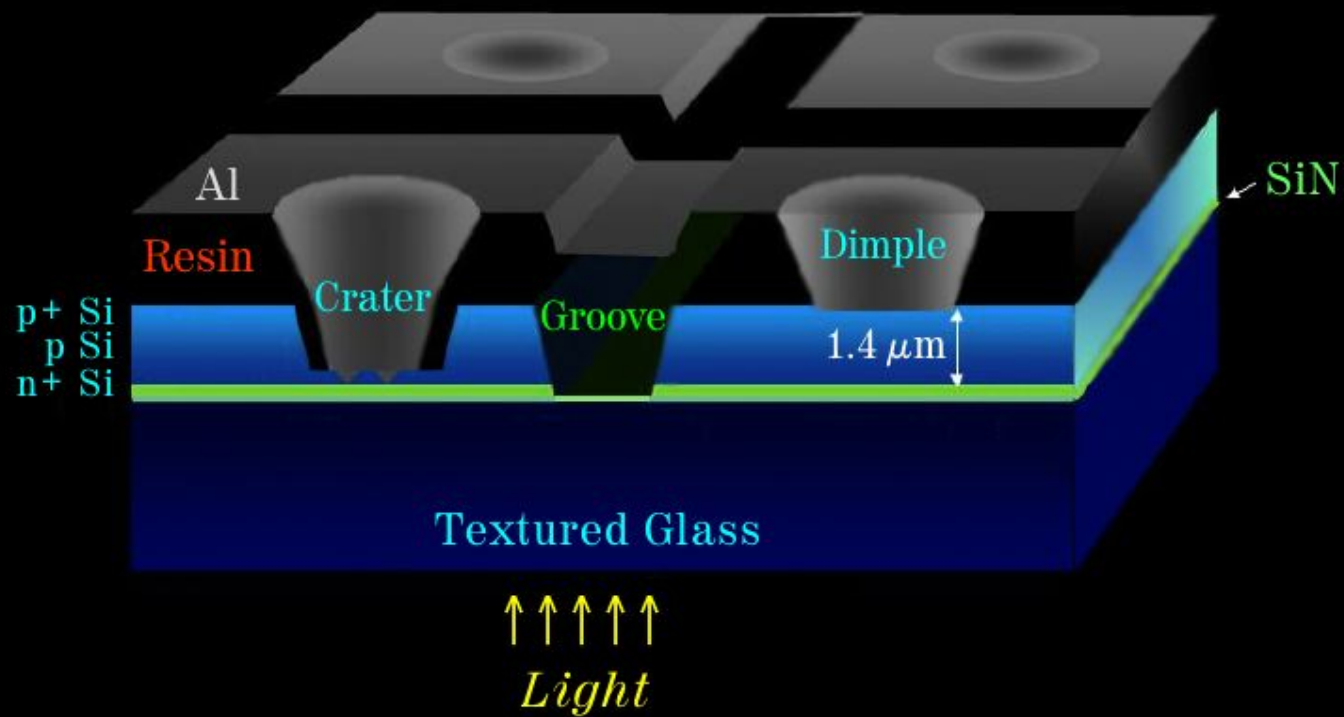
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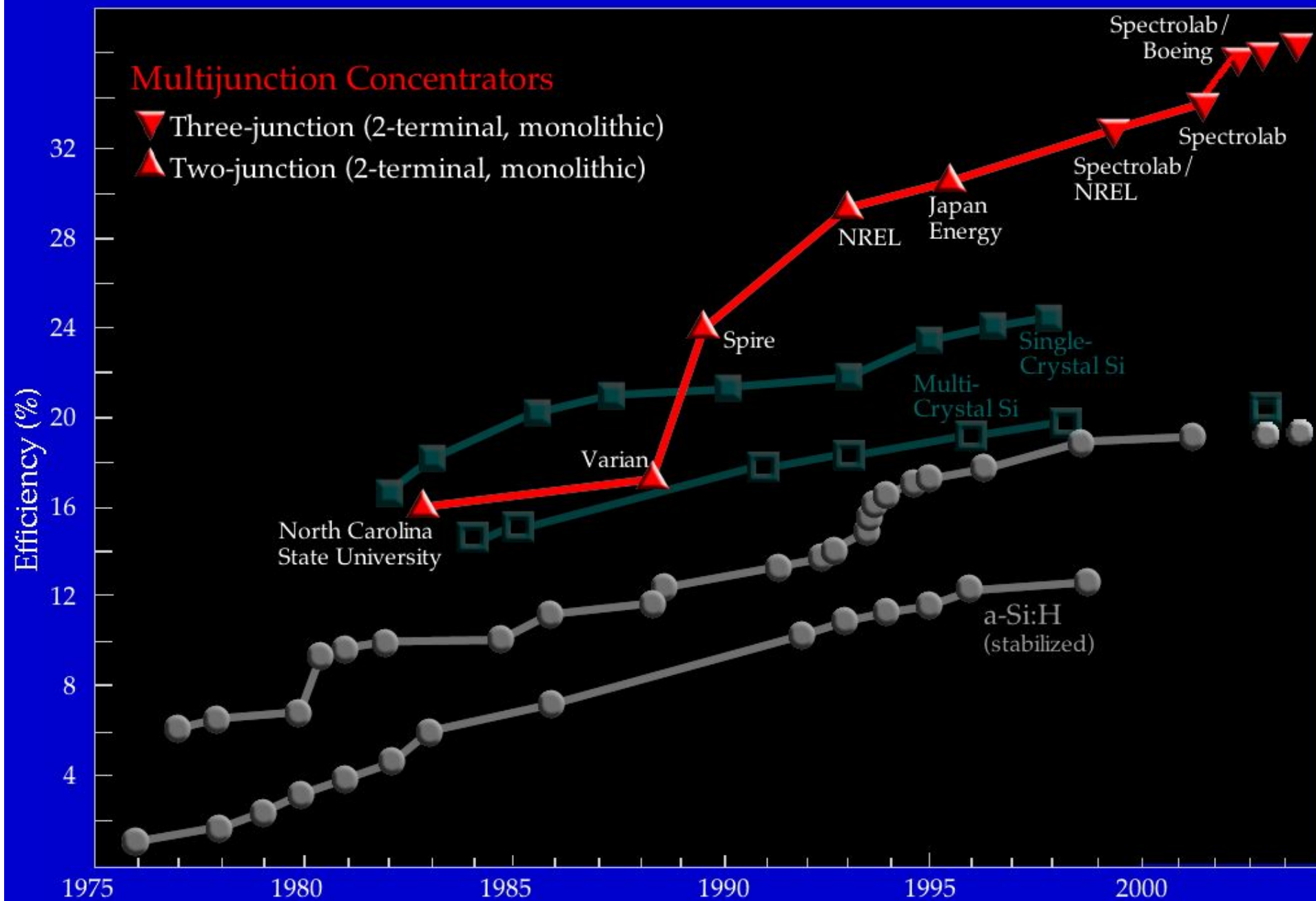
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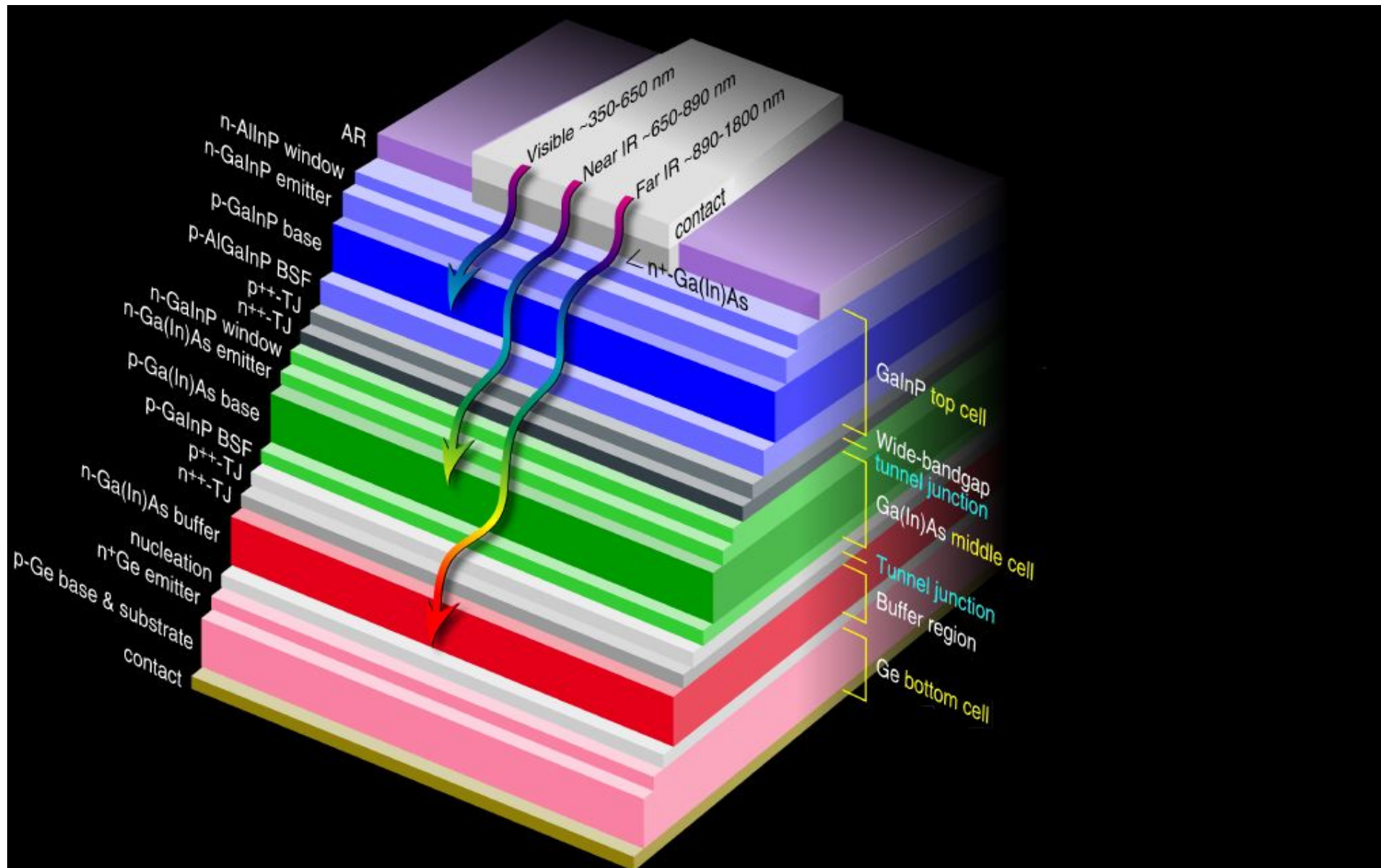


Thin-Film Silicon

CSG: "*Crystalline Silicon on Glass*"







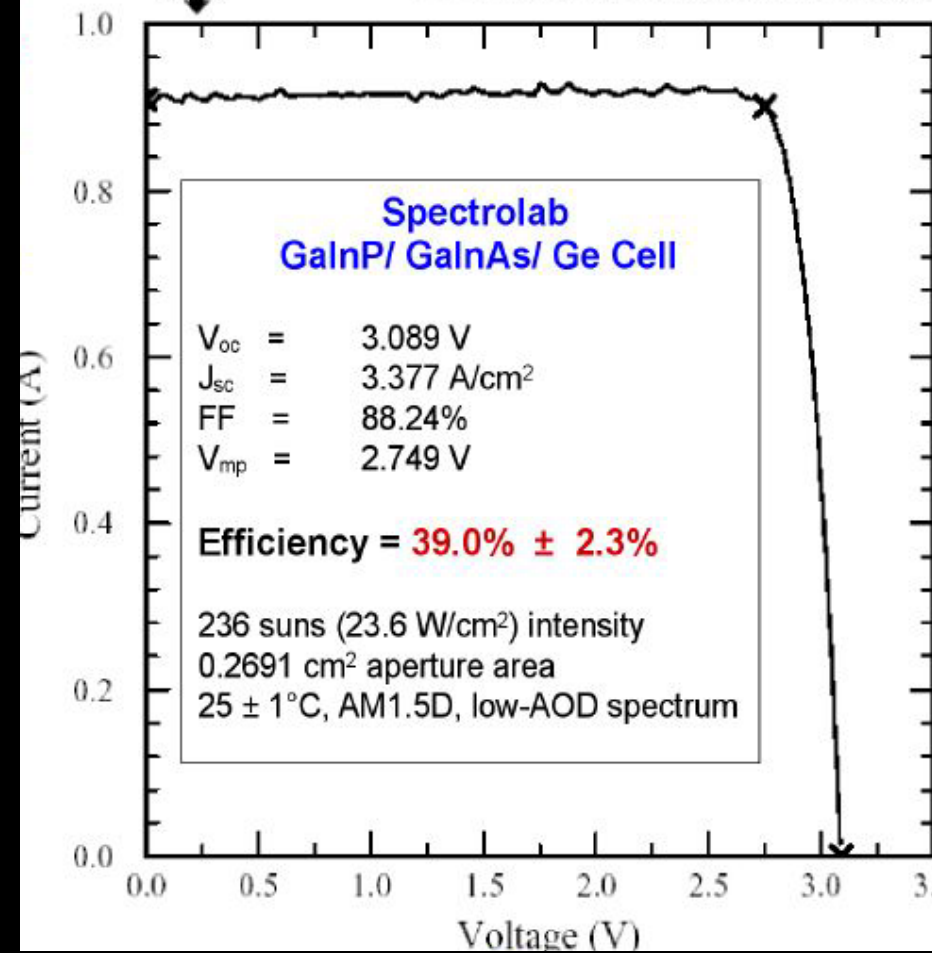
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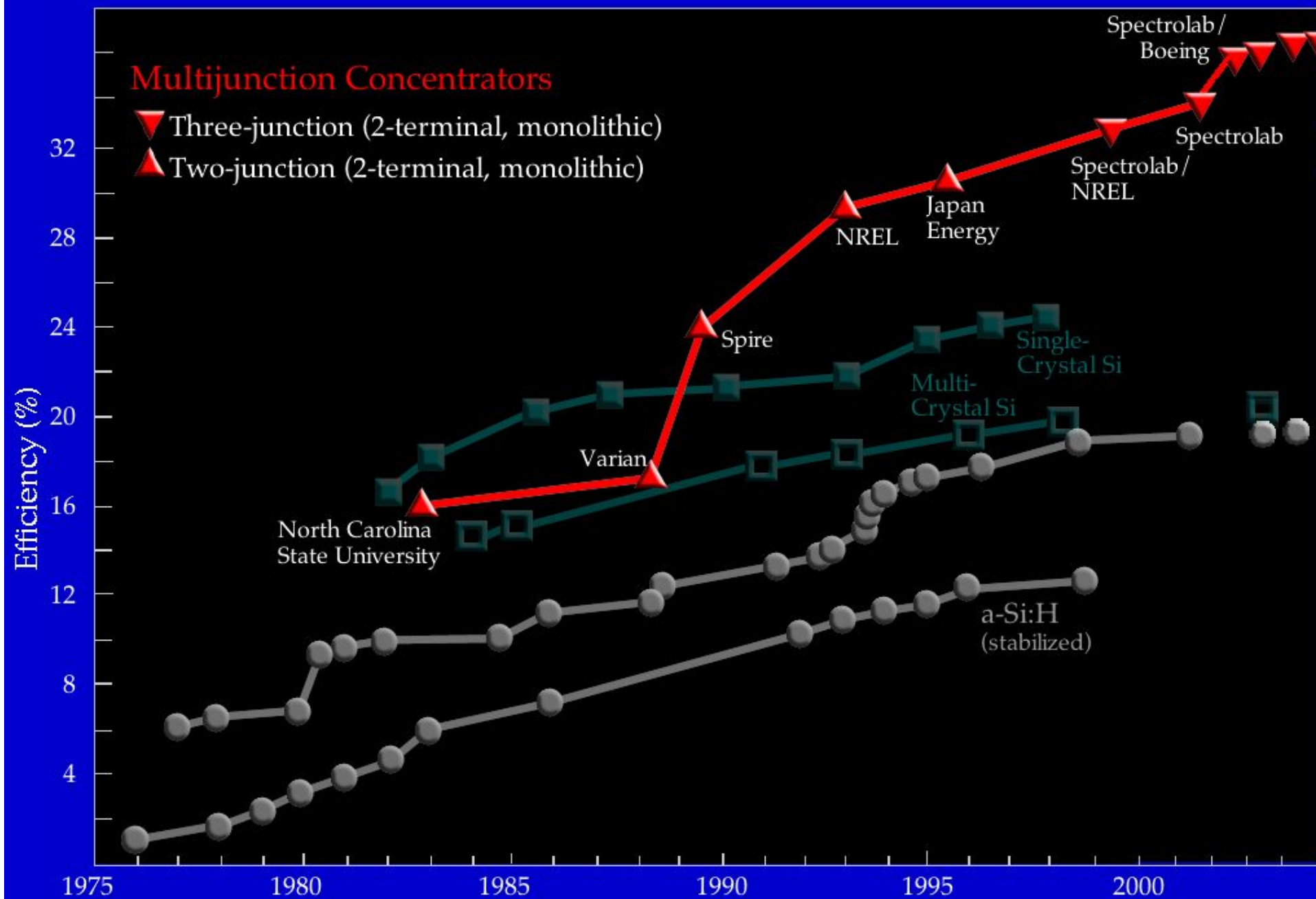


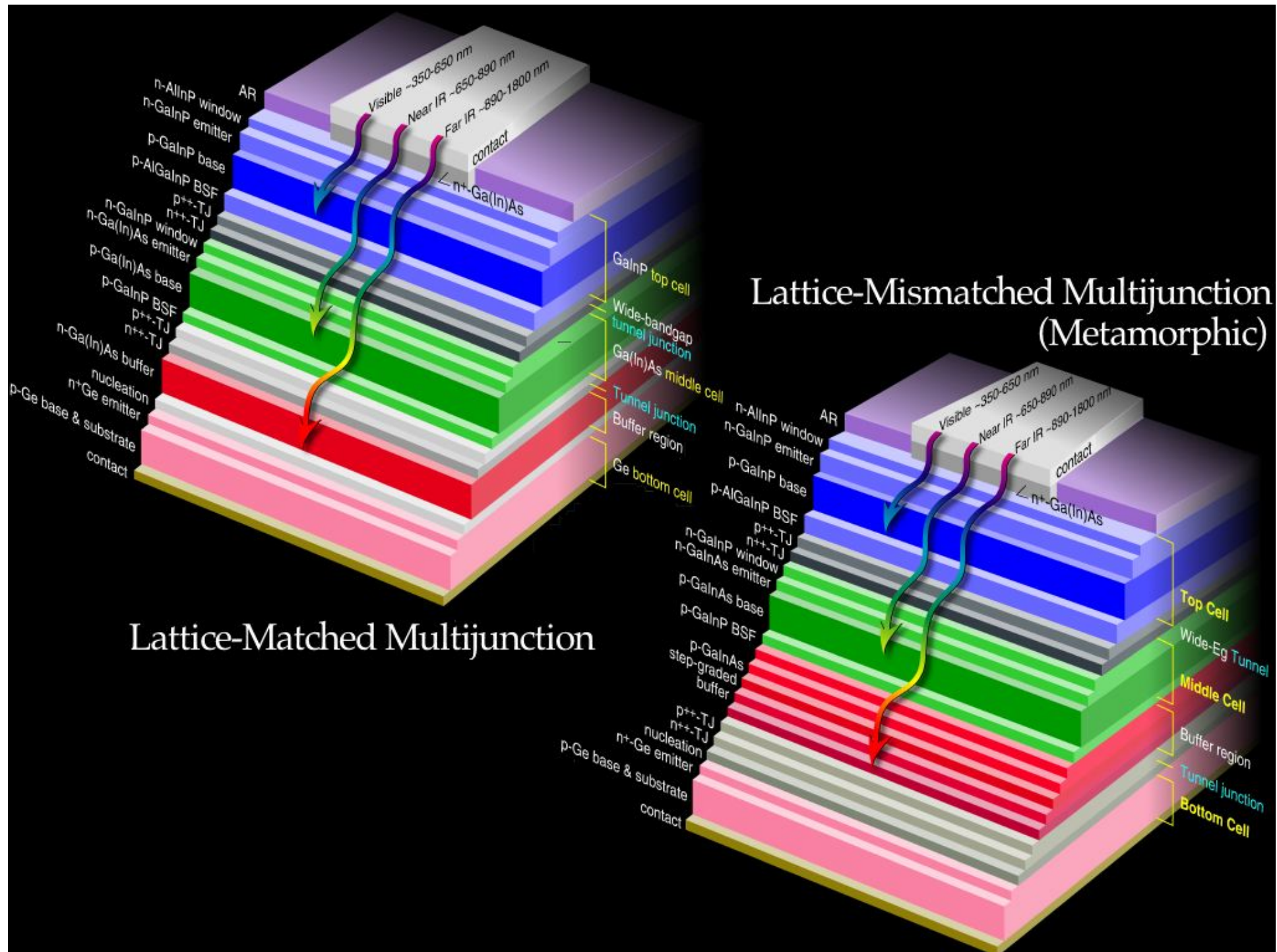
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Spectrolab

GaInP/GaInAs/Ge Cell

Sample: 6997-C407

Device Temperature = 25.0°C

Wed, Sep 6, 2006 7:46 PM area used = 0.26685 cm²

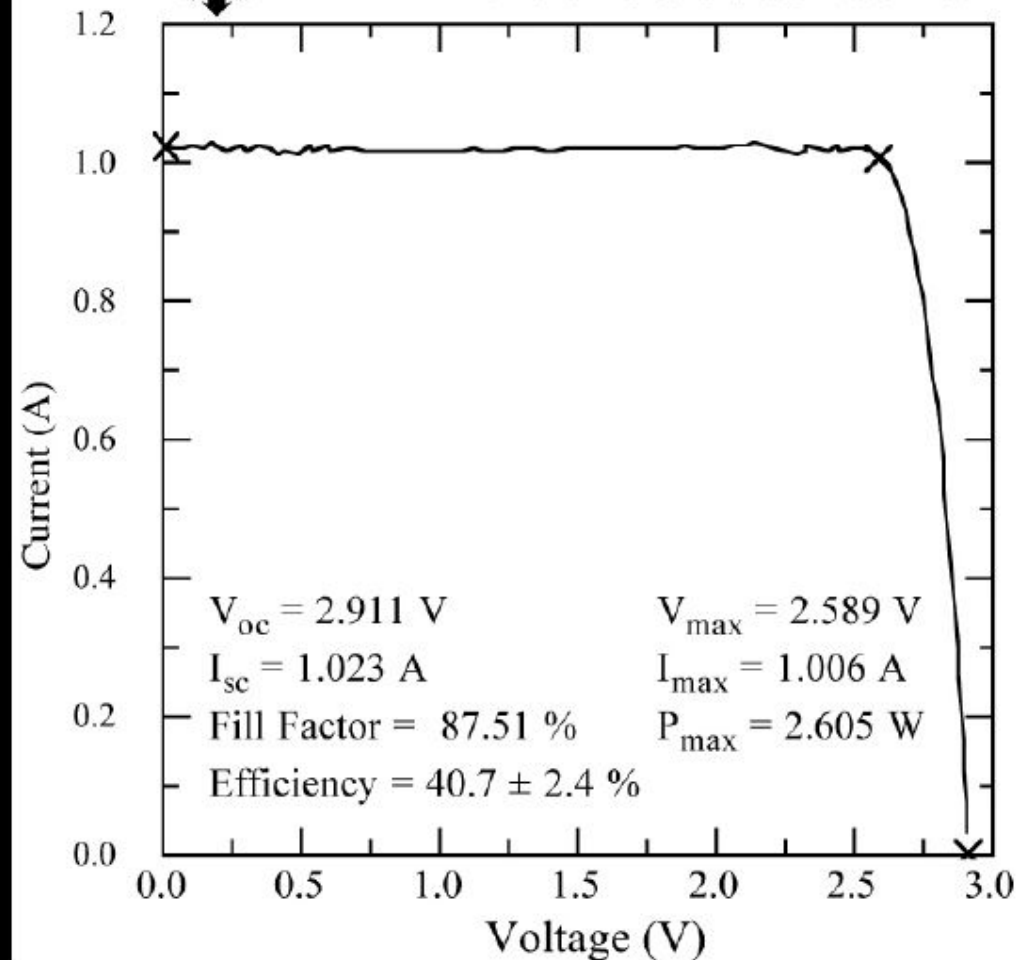
HiPer Direct Reference

Irradiance: 240037.1 W/m²



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Front Contact: 3.0 μm Al
0.05 μm Ni

ZnO Window
(0.4-0.6 μm)

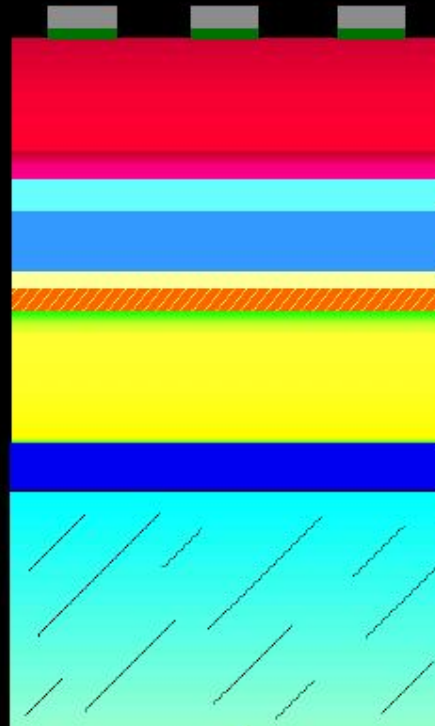
CdS Window (0.05 μm)

Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ Absorber
(2-4 μm)

Mo Back Contact
(1 μm)

Soda-Lime Glass Substrate

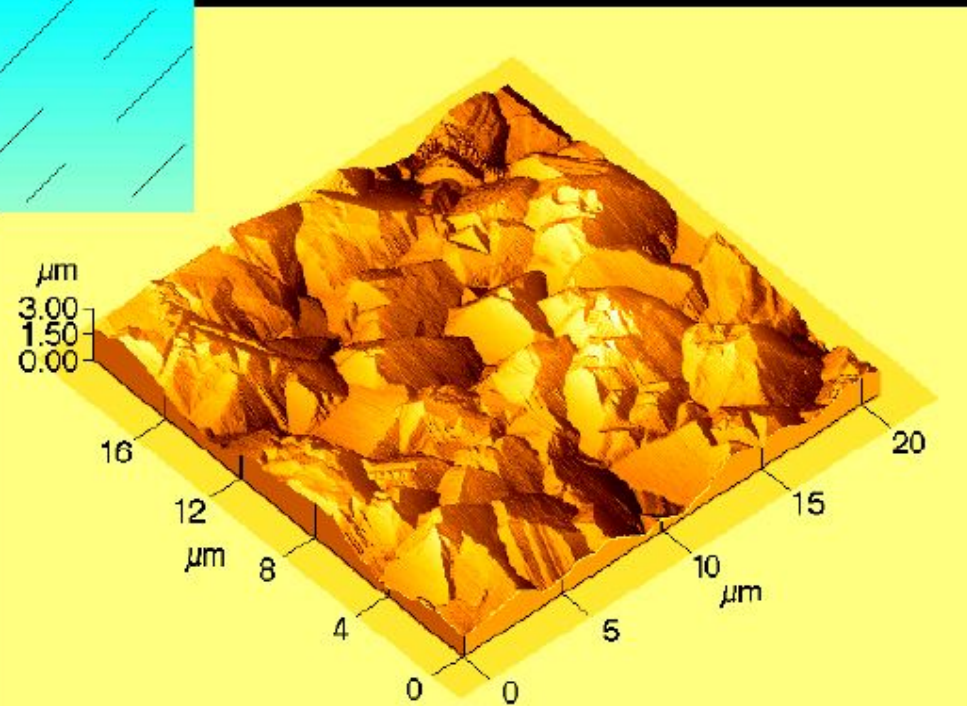
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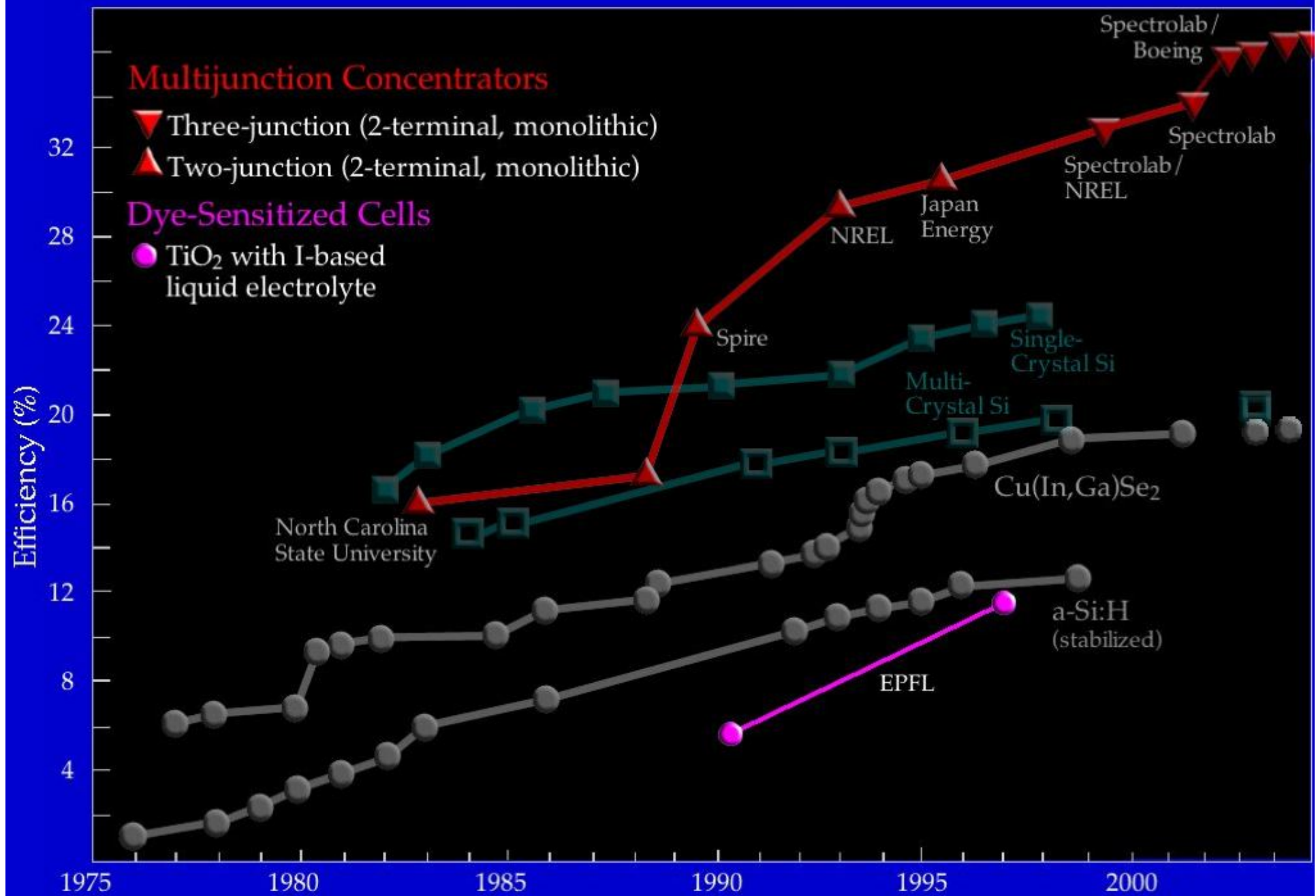


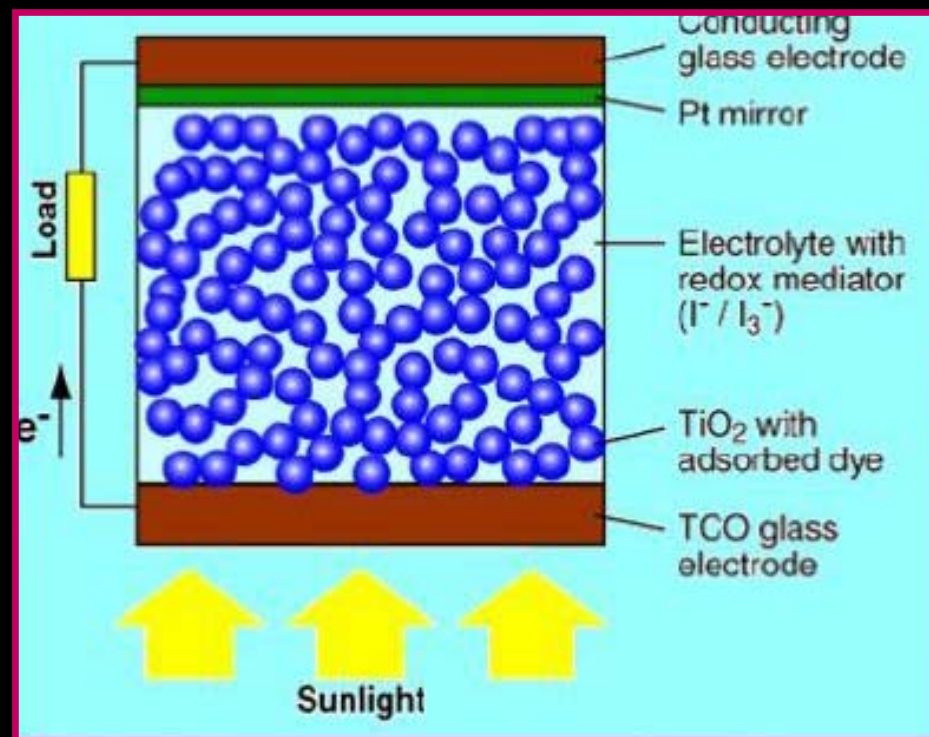
1 Absorber : CuAlSe₂ (2.7 eV)
1.5-2.5 μm CuGaSe₂ (1.7 eV)
CuInS₂ (1.53 eV)
CdTe (1.5 eV)

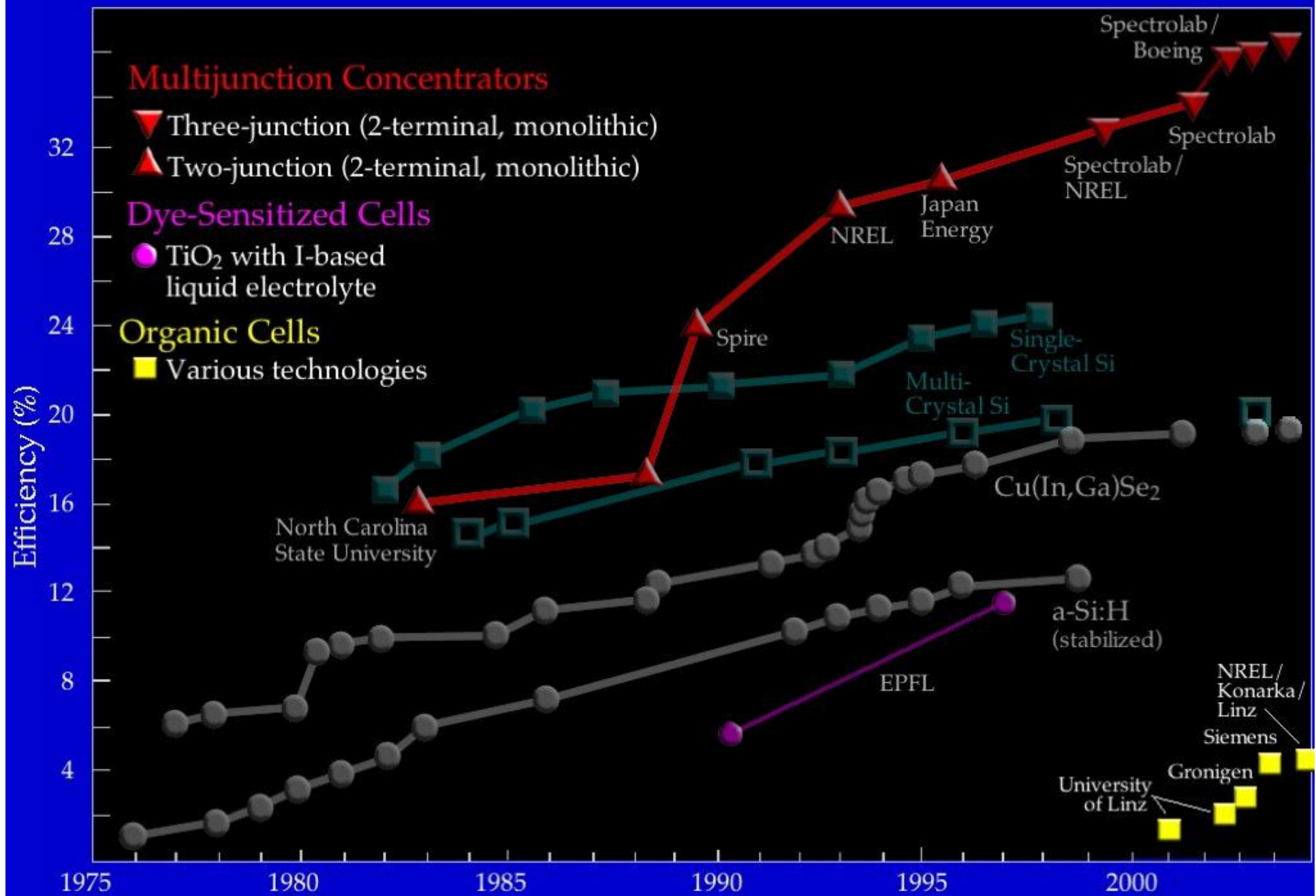
Connecting
Junction ???? ?

Multijunction
Polycrystalline Thin Films









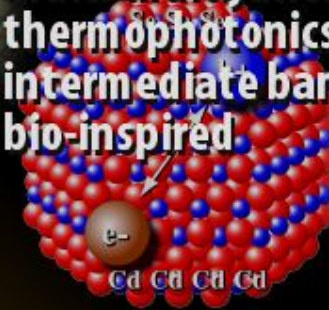
Technology Investment Pathways

Basic Research Driven

Revolutionary
(10 years and beyond)

3rd Generation PV

- quantum dots
- nanotechnology
- multi-multijunctions
- thermophotonics
- intermediate band
- bio-inspired



Industry-Driven

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(3 years)

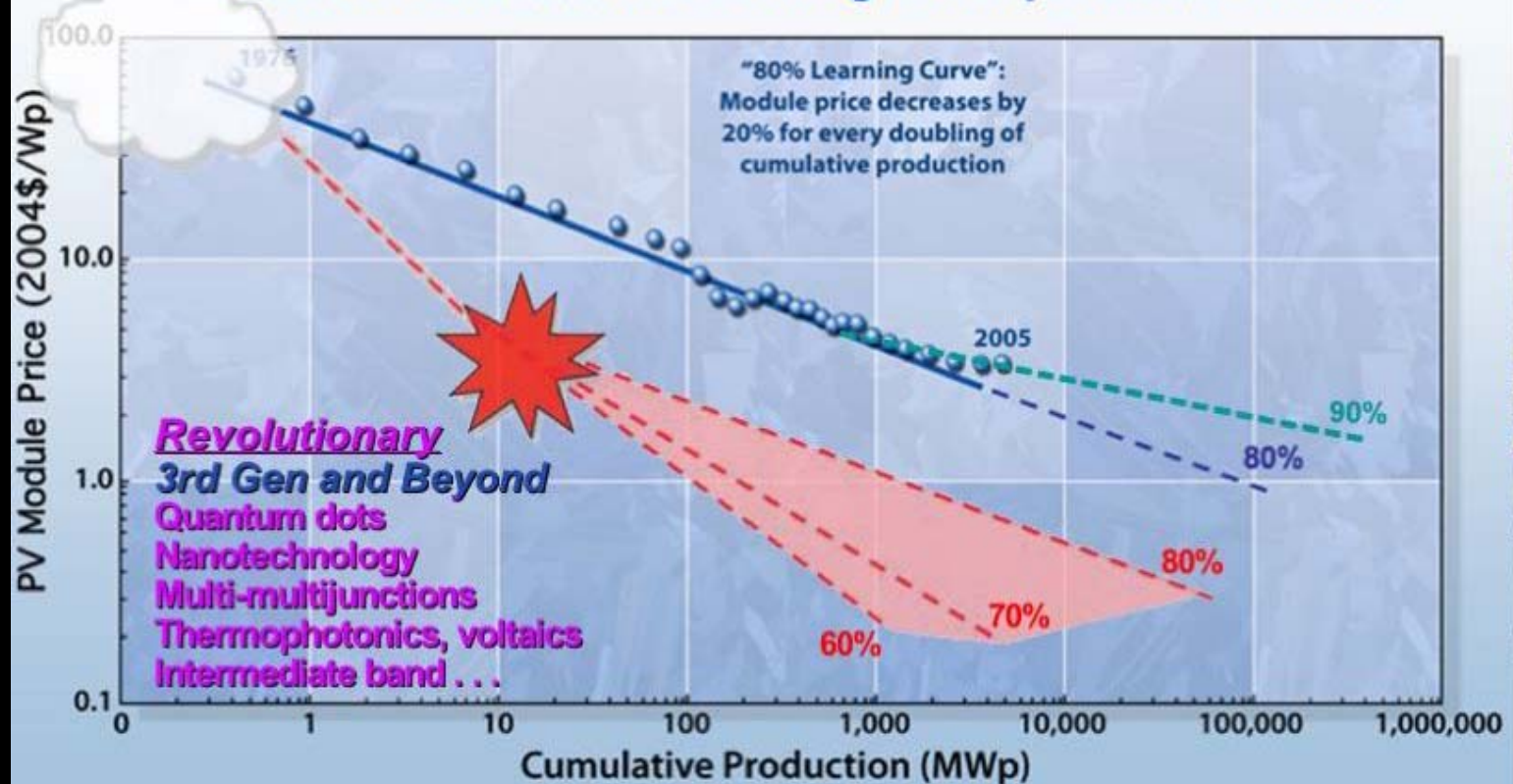
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Module Production Learning or Experience Curve



3rd, 4th, . . . Future Generations

Revolutionary Technologies for Our Next Generations of Consumers

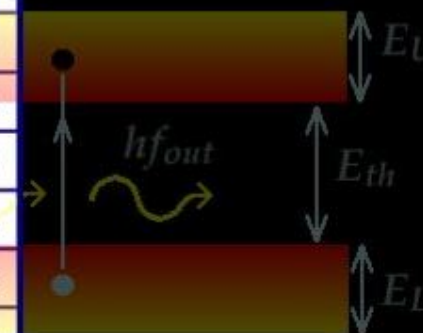
- . . . quantum dot, pod, rod and other novel structures; nanotechnologies; multiple-junctions...
- with efficiencies 2-3 *times* those for conventional PV
- . . . high-risk research
- . . . the fringes of technology exploration



Multiband

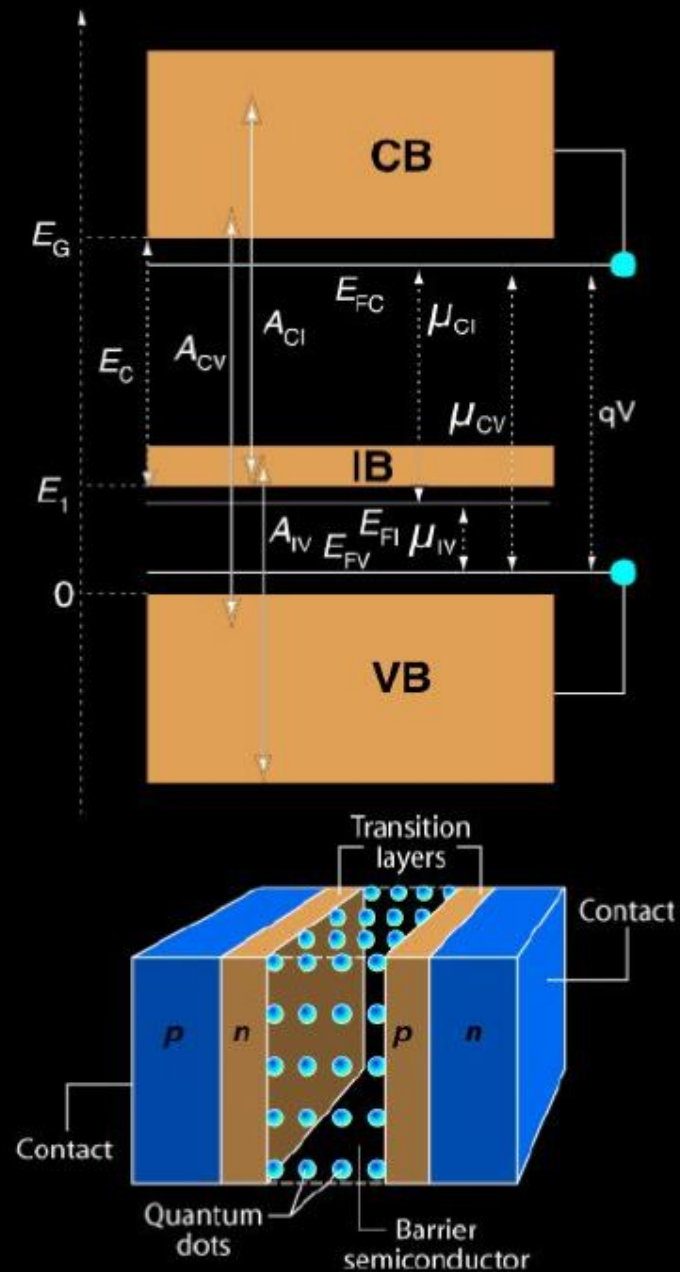
Efficiencies for Ideal Future Generation Solar Cells

Ideal converter; $T_s = 6000K$, $T_a = 300K$ isotropic illumination		Efficiency
Carnot		0.950
Landsberg		0.933
Multijunction		0.868
Impact ionisation, best Q		0.868
Solar thermal		0.854
Hot electrons		0.854
Thermophotovoltaic		0.854
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Intermediate band, (MQD or alloy)		0.632
2nd photon pumped MQW		0.632
Shockley & Queisser limit		0.403

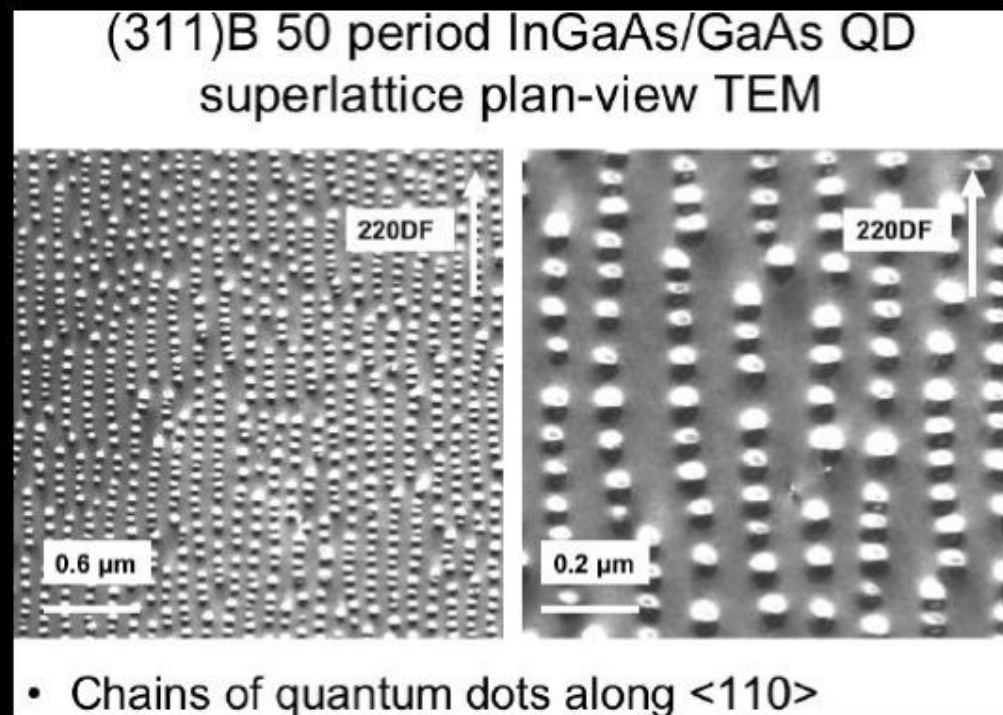
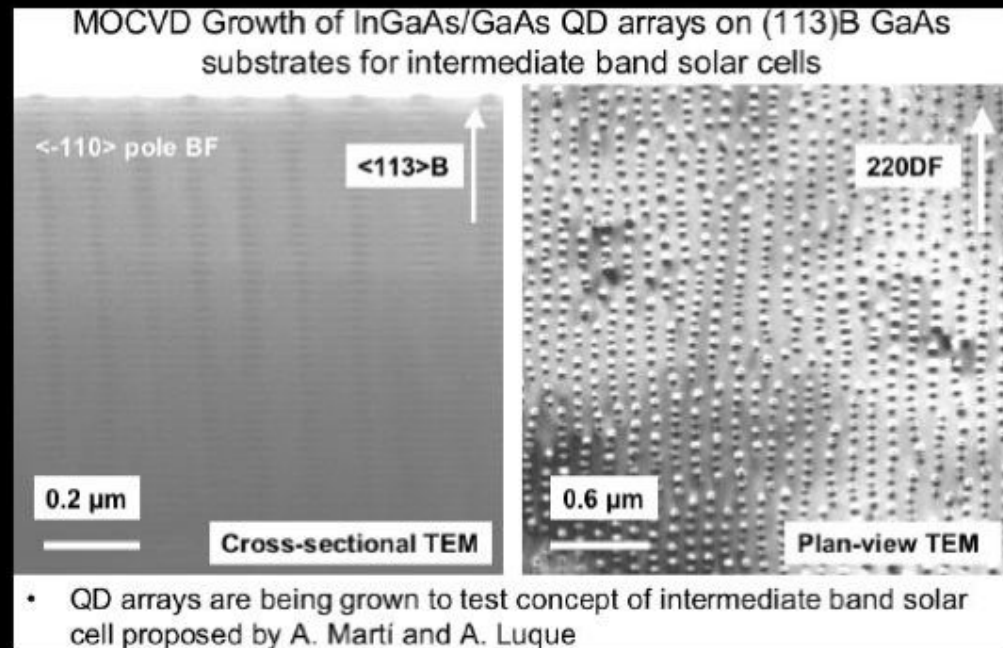


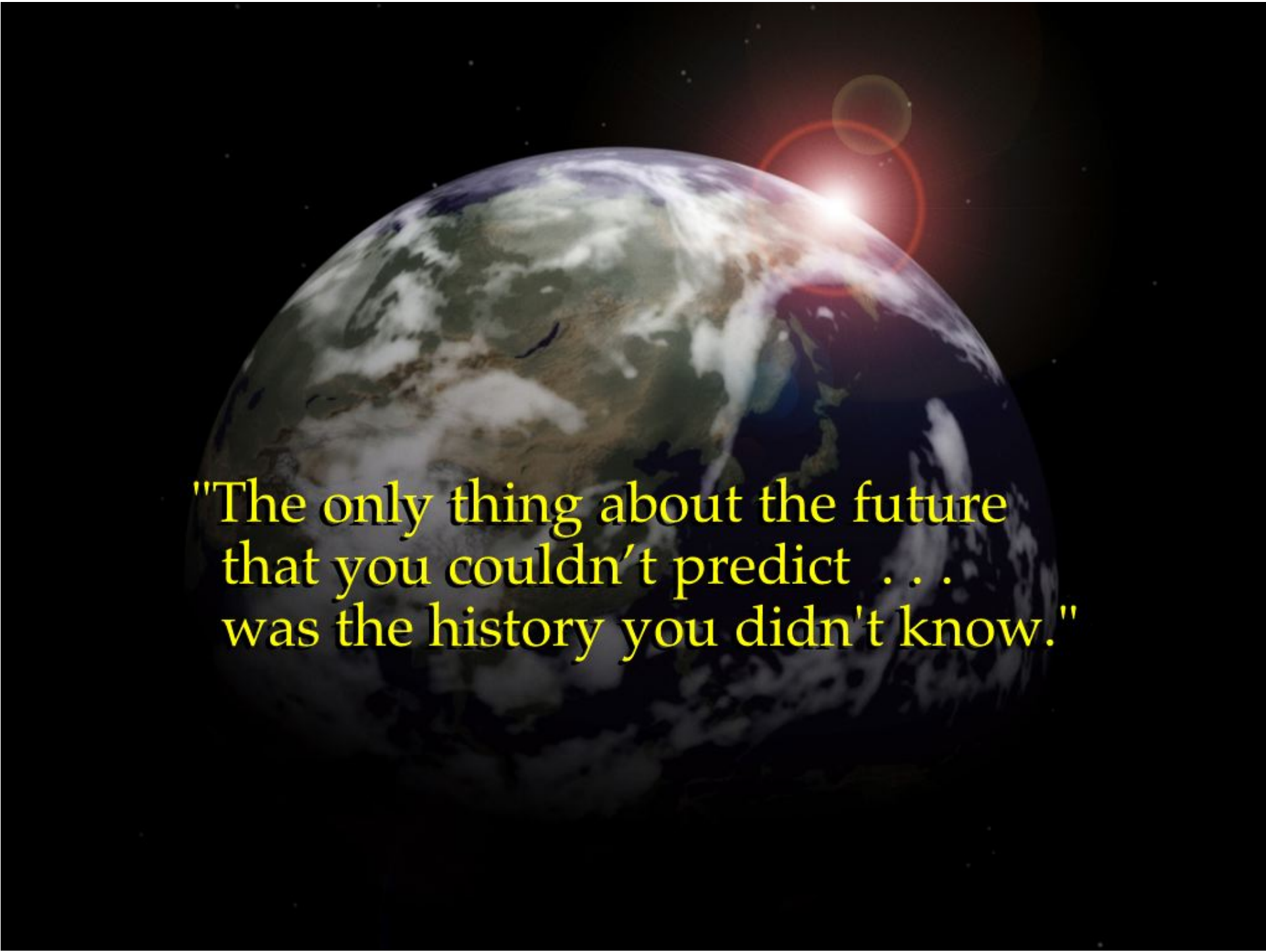
Multiple
Electron-Hole Pairs

Intermediate Band Solar Cells



A. Norman, M Romero, and M. Al-Jassim, (NREL),
A. Luque, A. Marti, Spain



A composite image showing the Earth and the Moon in space. The Earth is in the foreground, showing continents and clouds, while the Moon is in the background, partially obscured by the Earth. A bright light source, possibly the Sun, is visible in the upper right, creating a lens flare effect with red and orange rings. The background is a dark, starry space.

"The only thing about the future
that you couldn't predict . . .
was the history you didn't know."



*But, it is easier to grasp the future
if you know what it should look like . . .*