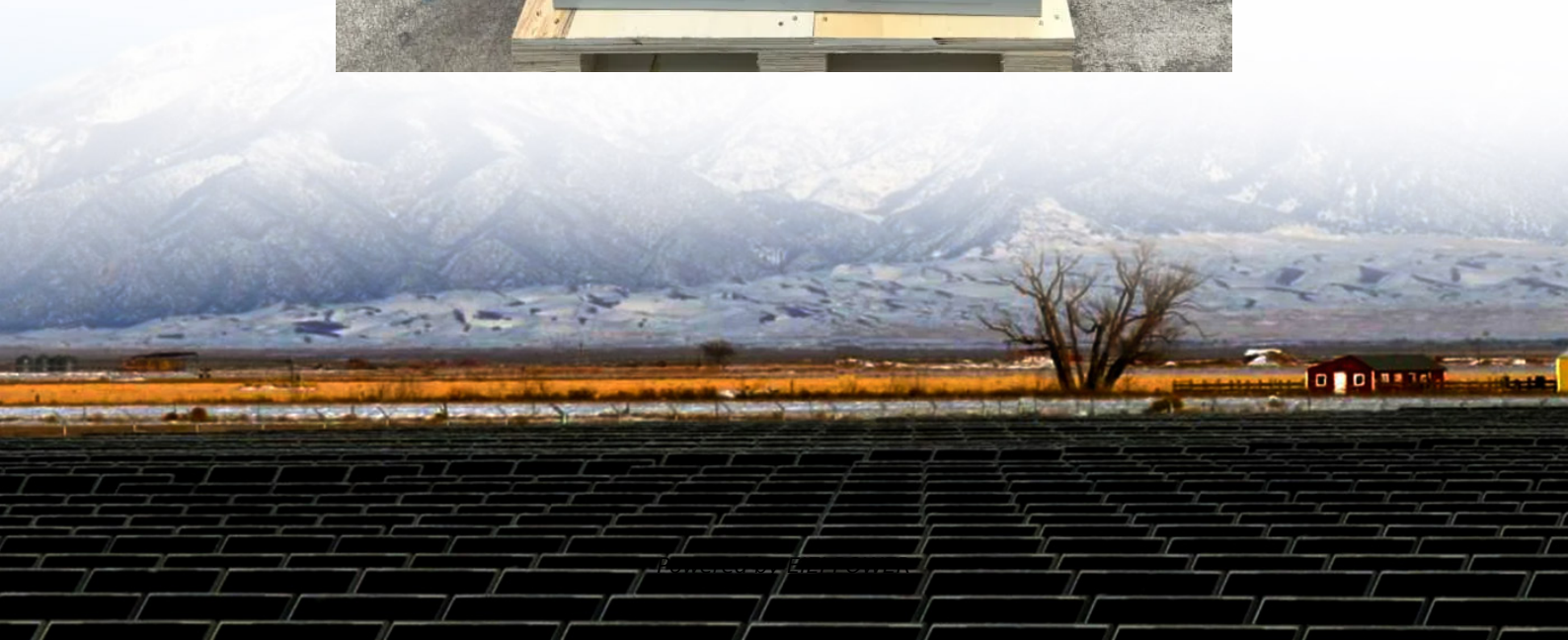


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## Overview

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What is crystalline silicon photovoltaics?

Crystalline silicon photovoltaics is the most widely used photovoltaic technology. Crystalline silicon photovoltaics are modules built using crystalline silicon solar cells (c-Si). These have high efficiency, making crystalline silicon photovoltaics an interesting technology where space is at a premium.

What type of glass is used for solar panels?

Crystalline silicon solar cells are connected together and then laminated under toughened or heat strengthened, high transmittance glass to produce reliable, weather resistant photovoltaic modules. The glass type that can be used for this technology is a low iron float glass such as Pilkington Optiwhite™.

Why do we need crystalline silicon for photovoltaic (PV) energy conversion?

Crystalline silicon is needed in large and ever-increasing amounts, in particular for photovoltaic (PV) energy conversion. Efficient thin-film absorbers, for example, based on abundant and stable compound semiconductors, were considered to reduce material consumption.

What is a monocrystalline silicon solar module?

Monocrystalline silicon represented 96% of global solar shipments in 2022, making it the most common absorber material in today's solar modules. The remaining 4% consists of other materials, mostly cadmium telluride. Monocrystalline silicon PV cells can have energy conversion efficiencies higher than 27% in ideal laboratory conditions.



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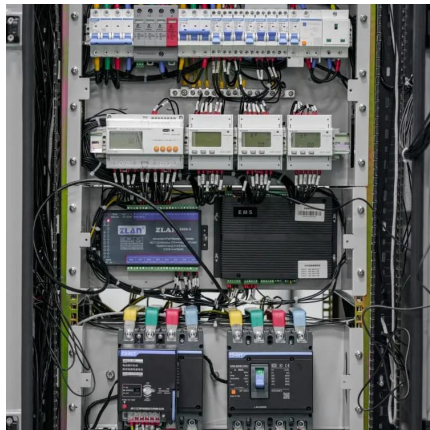
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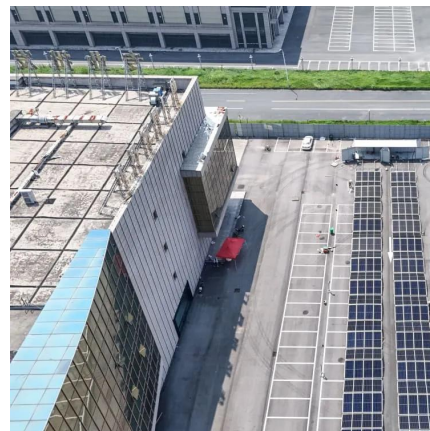


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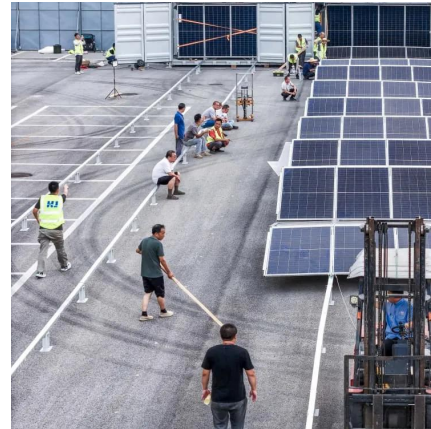
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