

# Comparative Study of Perovskite PV Cells with other PV Cells and Analysis of Experimental Perovskite solar cells with Simulation Results and their Efficiency Analysis

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**Abstract:** In recent years Photovoltaic technology has achieved tremendous growth as a sustainable source of energy. Silicon cells are more effective in turning sunlight into energy, but they have higher production costs. Off late specialized category of solar cells like Perovskite solar cells (PSC) emerged which can be used in satellites and the military application, which is the very low weight with high efficiencies and comparatively lower in cost. This paper gives an intensive assessment on the near investigation of PSC with other PV cells and its proficiency examination. Between every one of the three ages of photovoltaic cells and boundaries like Short Circuit Current Density ( $J_{sc}$ ), Open Circuit Voltage ( $V_{oc}$ ), Fill Factor (FF) and Power Conversion Efficiency (PCE) is studied. Many factors, such as the composition of the material, the methods used during manufacture, and the surrounding environment, might affect the performance of perovskite solar cells. In order to forecast and comprehend how these photovoltaic cells operate in various settings, simulation tools serve as a useful and cost-effective platform. Perovskite PV cell simulation using Silvaco Atlas software and SCAPS 1D were studied for the analysis. A detailed survey and comparative study are done and its durability, reliability, efficiency, stability and price variations are presented in this paper, which would be helpful to pursue research on perovskite solar cells in the future.

**Keywords:** - PSC, PCE, Photovoltaic, Silvaco Atlas, SCAPS 1D

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Due to the increasing Fossil-fuel consumption like Coal, gasoline, and shale gas, non-renewable resources of energy cause a worldwide problem. Solar, wind, biomass, hydro, and geothermal energy are some of the renewable energy sources studied by researchers. Photovoltaic (PV) solar technology is one of the most efficient renewable power sources on the planet, has witnessed rapid growth over the last several years. It justifies the world's developing interest in energy since it is quite possibly the main challenge that our general public is confronting. The PV cell is made of silicon-based Photovoltaic cells and has a PCE of 4.5 percent. was invented in Bell lab, USA, in 1953, marking the



beginning of Photovoltaics [1]. Photovoltaic cells made of GaAs, CdTe, InP, and CIGs were made for sunlight-based photovoltaics and they were for the most part dependent on III-V gadget structure.

The 3rd generation Dye-sensitized Solar cells (DSSC) and Quantum Dot solar cells(QDSC) were introduced in the early 1990s. Organic Photovoltaic (OPV) cells were first introduced in the 2000s. With the increased interest in nanomaterials, researchers are focusing on developing advanced materials for photovoltaic devices that are cheaper. Perovskite solar cells were invented in the year 2009[2]. Amongst various types of solar cells, Perovskite solar cells exhibited phenomenal progress in the latest years of the remarkable increase in Performance of conversions, from estimates of about 3% in 2006 to over 25% in 2020, within a very short period making it more reliable and important among all the photovoltaic cells thus creating huge interest to researchers as there is a great opportunity for further research [3]. National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) showed that PCE of about 92 percent of solar panels manufactured in the lab is made of Si, subsequently 5% CdTe, 2% CIGS and less than 1% Amorphous Silicon Hydrogen. [4].

Perovskite solar cells had similar cell efficiencies within 4 years of their breakthrough, which has been around for over 40 years. Yingzhuang Ma stated that flexibility and tunable transparency is another advantage over conventional solar cells [5].

A perovskite structure is made up of a Calcium titanate ( $\text{CaTiO}_3$ ) compound. It has an  $\text{ABX}_3$  molecular shape, where A denotes methylammonium ( $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3^+$ ) or formamidinium ( $\text{NH}_2\text{CHNH}_2^+$ ), B for inorganic cation (typically  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  or  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ ), and C for halogen anion commonly chloride ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) or iodide ( $\text{I}^-$ ). The materials with such properties acquire admirable photoelectric characteristics inferior exciton-binding energy and high coefficients of optical captivation (up to  $10^4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Perovskites have the potential to successfully collect photovoltaic energy since it has a light-assimilating covering [6].

Perovskite PV cells have advanced rapidly, in any case, a few pivotal factors might restrict their progression. Environmental factors consume a noteworthy consequence on the constancy of organic lead halide perovskite material leading to declining instability. As a result, cultivating a high-reliability device formulation, which includes the light-assimilating layer, electron/hole transport layer, electrode materials, and a practicable and elegant device-packaging strategy, will be crucial in furthering the practicality of these types of gadgets. Since this lead element used in perovskite solar cells is extremely hazardous, it can be difficult to promote and build perovskite solar cells in the manufacturing industries. As a result, finding a low- or non-toxic component to substitute Pb will be important [7].

## 2. Evolution of Solar Cells

### 2.1 Silicon Solar Cells

The first-ever crystalline silicon solar cell was manufactured at Bell Telephone Laboratories in the year 1953 that had an efficiency of 4.5% [1]. It was found out that light with a wavelength lower than 1.2 microns can produce electron-hole pairs, the efficiency of energy conversion diminishes for short wavelengths [8]. Vanguard I IGY Satellite (1958 Beta) was the world's first solar-powered satellite. The structure of the solar cell was Grid-contact B diffused created by Hoffman Electronics, thus this cell uses grid contact to reduce the resistance of the cells [9]. A commercially available Phosphorous-Diffused Silicon Solar Cells with 14.5% ground-based cell efficiency was fabricated in 1962, this cell exhibited high radiation resistance, for high-resistivity base cells a very high long-wavelength collection efficiency is achieved and high short-wavelength collection is also attained [10]. In a PESC cell wherein the utilization of a slender, emitter diffusion, a narrow passivating oxide layer with much higher sheet resistivity and a methodology that all of these factors work together to prevent emitter recombination by limiting the interfacial area in between the upper metal substrate and the silicon to low values. Parameters obtained by the PESC cell included proficiency of 19.8% with F.F of 81.9% [11]. Later the same year the structure was modified by using micro-grooved surfaces, the majority of the silicon cell surface is covered in  $5\mu\text{m}$  deep slats with a  $10\mu\text{m}$  pitch. Thus increasing the efficiency of the cell to 20.9% [12].

The surface of the material could be successfully shaped using a suitable selective etching process, resulting in a reduction in overall optical reflection. The advent of relatively inexpensive silicon in square-shaped slices of virtually arbitrary dimensions opens the door to automated solar cell manufacturing systems, resulting in significant cost savings. The cell exhibited 12.5% AMO efficiency and AM1 value 14% [13]. PERL cell was fabricated in the Photovoltaics Research Centre in the UNSW. Conservation of the majority of the cell surface areas with elevated TCA (trichloroethane) produced  $\text{SiO}_2$  which is a massive benefit of the PERL cells. Protection is provided by highly phosphorous and boron diffused zones on both the front and back metal contact surfaces hence contact resistance is

improved by inhibiting contact recombination. The light-trapping technique created by the inverted pyramid in both the front and rear surfaces of the mirror is remarkable. The PERL cell with FZ substrate and 1ohm-cm resistivity exhibited efficiency with a range of 24-25% [14]. Devised inverted-pyramid photonic crystal IBC solar cell that employs an innovative method for producing thin, flexible 15  $\mu\text{m}$ -thick c-Si sheets with a square-lattice pattern. They employed a photonic crystal with a matrix of interlocked back connections called a micro-pyramid. This cell recorded an efficiency of 30-31% with Jsc and Voc of 44.39mA/cm<sup>2</sup> and 0.7908V respectively with a fill factor of 87.67%. To ensure enhanced light-trapping ability of the c-Si photovoltaic cell by simulating Maxwell's equations, a reliable FDTD approach is utilized, which is done by using the software program Electromagnetic Template Library (EMTL) [15].

## 2.2 Second Generation Solar cells

Using a p-Cu<sub>2</sub>-xTe/n-CdTe structure, Cusano developed the first effective polycrystalline thin-film PV cell with a PCE of 6% have been achieved [16]. PV cells were made by reactively depositing thin films of n-n-In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> upon single-crystal p-CdTe. The cell functioned as a buried homojunction that recorded efficacy of 13.4% with a F.F of 74.5% [17]. By fabricating CdTe/CdS thin-film heterojunction PV cell, chemical bath deposition was utilized to create CdS films, while close-spaced sublimation was used to manufacture p-CdTe films and used glass/SnO<sub>2</sub>/CdS/CdTe structure. The decreased sensitivity at lower wavelength implies that there is a predominant loss in the window layer absorption that showed an efficiency of  $\eta$ =15.8% [18]. The construction of the ZnO/CdS/CdTe/ZnTe cell model was mimicked utilizing the ADEPT 1D reenactment instrument. A slender CdTe absorber layer and a ZnTe back surface field (BSF) were used to replicate the device, resulting in a reasonable energy conversion efficiency of 24.66% [19]. According to reports, the CdTe technique is around 30% relatively lower in cost than the CIGS technique and 40% affordable compared to a-Si technology [20]. The Solar Cell Capacitance Simulator-1D (SCAPS-1D) was utilized to recreate cadmium sulfide (CdS) and cadmium telluride (CdTe) based photovoltaic cell (ZnO/CdS/CdTe/NiO/Au). The PV cell with the best performance exhibited a phenomenal PCE of 28.04% with a Fill Factor of 87.84%. The greatest power conversion efficiency was achieved with a carrier density of 1017 cm<sup>3</sup> and a width of 1000 nm, correspondingly [21]. Cu (In, Ga)Se<sub>2</sub> is utilized in a slender film (CIGS) based sun powered cell, wherein, substrate glass with an area of 1 cm<sup>2</sup>, layers from base to top are Molybdenum back contact, the p-doped Cu(In<sub>1-x</sub>, Ga<sub>x</sub>)Se<sub>2</sub> as safeguard layer, the n-doped ZnO layer as window layer or transparent conducting oxide (TCO). The performance of the cell improves as the temperature drops. The conversion efficiency achieves a peak of 32.45% at 240 degrees Celsius, which is 9.53% higher than the previous record [22]. By strengthening and retrofitting the cell buffer layer and introducing an electron reflector layer, a model with a 28.3 percent efficiency was developed. It was inferred that, choosing better appropriate materials, like transparent conducting oxide (in this case, ZnO: Al), a window layer, and a buffer layer with a bigger bandgap, because less light absorption in these layers boosts efficiency [23]. CIGS with a novel device architecture p-Si/p-CIGS/In<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>/ZnO/Al-ZnO was developed which obtained efficiency approximately equal to 26%. A system with a Cd-free buffer layer with an economical CIGS-based extremely thin photovoltaic cell was designed using a 1 D SCAPS simulator. The main drawback of this model is the efficiency of 26% increases with an enhancement in the absorber material's size [24]. By simulating a highly-efficient n-CdS/p-CIGS/p<sup>+</sup>-CGS dual heterojunction solar cell 47% efficiency was achieved [25].

**Table 1. Comparison of CdTe/CIGS/GaAs Solar cells**

| Refer<br>ence                 | Layer<br>Topology | Description        | Jsc<br>(mA/<br>cm <sup>2</sup> ) | V<br>O<br>C<br>(V) | F.<br>F<br>% | $\eta$<br>(<br>%<br>) | Advant<br>ages                                                                                               | Disadva<br>ntages                                                |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| D. A.<br>Cusan<br>'o,<br>1963 | CdTe/CdS          | Heterojunctio<br>n | 12                               | 0.7<br>5           | 0.<br>7      | 6                     | First<br>efficient<br>polycrys<br>talline<br>thin-<br>film<br>solar<br>cell<br>using p-<br>Cu <sub>2</sub> - | Instabilit<br>ies<br>associate<br>d with<br>Cu <sub>2</sub> -xTe |

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
|                                    |                                                                                                                                     |                                   |       |        |       |       | xTe/n-<br>CdTe            |                                                    |
| Nakazawa, 1987                     | n-In <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /CdTe                                                                                              | Buried Homojunction               | 20.1  | 0.892  | 74.5  | 13.4  | High open-circuit voltage | The substrate surface has to be carefully treated. |
| J Britta and C Ferekides, 1993     | CdTe/CdS                                                                                                                            | Heterojunction                    | 25.09 | 0.8429 | 74.48 | 15.8  | -                         | Combination of CdTe/CdS                            |
| Sultana et al., 2017               | CdTe/CdS                                                                                                                            | Heterojunction                    | 34.4  | 0.946  | 75.78 | 24.66 | High efficiency           | Combination of CdTe/CdS                            |
| Ahmed et al., 2020                 | CdTe/CdS                                                                                                                            | Heterojunction                    | 29.09 | 1.09   | 87.84 | 28.04 | Good Efficiency           | Combination of CdTe/CdS                            |
| Repins et al., 2008                | ZnO/CdS/CIGS/Mo                                                                                                                     | Heterojunction                    | 35.5  | 0.69   | 81.2  | 19.9  | High Fill Factor          | Use of Zn and Cd                                   |
| Kamada et al., 2016                | Al/ MgF <sub>2</sub> / ZnO:B/ i-ZnO/ (Zn(O,S,OH)) / (CIGSSe)/ (Mo(S,Se) <sub>2</sub> ) / (Mo) / (SiO) <sub>2</sub> /glass substrate | Buffer layer (Zn,Mg)O/Zn (O,S,OH) | 41.4  | 0.71   | 77.5  | 22.8  | CdS free                  | KT-PDT is still under investigation                |
| Fatemi Shariat Panahi et al., 2020 | ZnO:Al/ Zn <sub>0.83</sub> Mg <sub>0.17</sub> O/ CdS/ CIGS/ CIS/ GaAs/MO                                                            | Heterojunction                    | 54.7  | 0.84   | 83.9  | 27.9  | CdS free                  | Use of Zn and Cd                                   |
| (Bouabdelli et. Al, 2020           | Glass/Mo/p CIGS/n CdS/I ZnO/n ZnO/Ni-Al Contact                                                                                     | Heterojunction                    | 40.3  | 0.95   | 86.68 | 32.45 | Good efficiency           | CdS buffer                                         |

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|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|------------------|
| Mostaque, S.K et al., 2021 | n-CdS/p-CIGS/p+-CGS                                                                            | dual heterojunction solar cell      | 59.94 | 0.98  | 80.07 | 47    | High efficiency | CdS              |
| King et al., 2002          | GaInP/GaInAs/Ge                                                                                | 3 junction solar cell               | 17.4  | 2.716 | 86.3  | 30.1  | Good efficiency | Increase in cost |
| Patel et al., 2012         | InGaAs/GaAs/InGaP                                                                              | IMM4J                               | 46.84 | 3.236 | 85    | 34.5  | Good efficiency | Complex          |
| Pham DP et al., 2021       | AZO/ZnO/P-type GaAs/GaInP BSF/p+-GaAs contact/Glass/n+-a-Si/a-Si/c-Si bottom cell/a-Si/p+-a-Si | 4 terminal GaAs/c-Si tandem PV cell | 30.48 | 1.11  | 88.60 | 35.16 | Low cost        | -                |

CIGS cell in which KF was vaporized on the absorber surface using molecular beam epitaxy after the absorber was formed and PDT was used to anneal the absorber. To increase the VOC, the degree of KF deposition was studied and obtained 22.8% efficiency. KF-PDT is impactful on sulfur-containing absorbers manufactured using a two-step process, which would be a viable mass-production procedure that can be used for 1 GW manufacturing [26]. The electron reflector layer should be made of a suitable material while the cell's absorber layer should be made of a different material to boost efficiency up to 27.9% [27].

Lower bandgap middle cells such as GaInAs middle cells, and greater bandgap top cell materials can both boost efficiency. In freeloading consuming layers like tunnel junctions, the use of broad bandgap and indirect-gap materials enhances light transmission to the functional layers of cells beneath [28]. With IMM4J AM0 conversion efficiency has improved. Another trial best AM0 competence of 34.2 percent was achieved due to recent material and fabrication process advances [29]. A 6J inverted metamorphic concentrator solar cell which with reasonably elevated quality junction materials can approach 50% efficiency, it had the architecture Front metal contact/Ga4In6As/InSbxP1-xCGB/GaxIn1-xP CGB/Ga7In3As/AlGaIn/As CGB/GaAs/Al2Ga3As/Al2Ga3In5P/Front metal grid with VOC= 5.15V, JSC=5.6 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> and F. F= 0.86% [30]. A 4 terminal GaAs/c-Si tandem PV cell with architecture AZO/ZnO/P-type GaAs/GaInP BSF/p+-GaAs contact/Glass/n+-a-Si/a-Si/c-Si bottom cell/a-Si/p+-a-Si, obtained the efficacy of 35.61% with Voc, Jsc and F.F of 1.1V, 30.48 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> & 88.60% respectively. These findings point to a huge future potential for high-efficiency and minimal cost multi-junction PV cell manufacturing [31]. Second-generation solar cells and their performance can be seen in Table 1.

### 2.3 Third Generation Solar Cell

A DSSC is a moderately reasonable PV cell. This cell, otherwise called the Gratzel cell, was concocted by Michael Gratzel and Brian O'Regan. It depends on a photoelectrochemical framework in which a semiconductor is made between a photosynthesized anode and an electrolyte. It is a kind of thin-film PV cell [32]. A sensitizer is fixed to the exterior of a broadband semiconducting material, and it captivates light. Charge separation occurs at the contact because of dye-induced electron injection into the solid's conduction band. Carriers crossing the semiconductor's conduction band are collected by the charge collector. The combination of broad-band sensitizers and nanocrystalline-morphology oxide sheets allows a significant amount of sunlight to be gathered. The conversion of input photons into electric current is virtually quantitative over a wide spectral range, from ultraviolet to near-infrared. To control the

self-assembly of the N3 dye at the TiO<sub>2</sub> interface, Guanidinium thiocyanate was added to the electrolyte. At the contact with the N3 anions, the guanidinium cations are adsorbed, preventing the sensitizer's lateral coulombic repulsion and permitting the self-assembly of a compact dye monolayer. As a result of the reduction in dark current, the cell voltage increased significantly to about 10.6% with F.F 0.748% [33]. DSSCs are intriguing because, in comparison to the two preceding kinds of photovoltaic cells, they are less expensive, simpler to construct on big panels, lighter and more flexible, and provide transparency [34]. Because of their remarkable light-harvesting capabilities beneath prevailing light conditions, DSSCs have a lot of potential for light energy recycling in indoor solar applications. The high power-conversion efficiency (PCE) of over 30% under indoor lighting circumstances, as well as their colourful aesthetics, cost-effectiveness, consistent device functioning, and PCE retention of up to 99 percent, demonstrate DSPVs' utility for ambient energy collection [35]. The major challenge in DSSC design is the use of a liquid electrolyte, which is not very stable at different temperatures. At a relatively low temperature, the electrolyte can freeze, resulting in a loss of power and physical harm. When the liquid expands at higher temperatures, it becomes more challenging to encapsulate the surfaces. [36] To address this issue, solid-state DSSCs using glass coated with FTO and conducting glass as the substrate was created. The initial layer was a thin compact layer of TiO<sub>2</sub>, followed by a mesoporous layer of TiO<sub>2</sub> or spiro-OMeTAD as HTM. The HTM, combined with a thin HTM overstanding layer, is then infiltrated into the porous structure. Finally, over the HTM a metal contact is vaporized. Direct metal-to-TiO<sub>2</sub> contact could also produce shunting. The latest copper complex-based HTM devices have surpassed the performance of spiro-OMeTAD as HTM. In the solid phase, Cu phenanthroline complexes were used as a molecular hole-carrying material for solid-state DSSC. When it comes to electron transfer, it has a high self-exchange rate and requires little driving force to regenerate dye. With Cu(tmbpy)<sub>2</sub> as HTM using Y123 Dye, PCE= 11.3%, VOC= 1.08 V, JSC =13.87(mA/cm) and F.F= 0.75 [37] Due to increased charge recombination from titanium dioxide to HTMs, low intrinsic conductivities of HTMs, poor electrical contact between HTMs, dye molecules due to insufficient penetration of solid HTMs into the TiO<sub>2</sub> matrix, the PCE of most solid-state DSSCs which is derived from organic HTMs is reduced [38]. One of the greatest challenges with the DSSC integration is counter electrode deterioration. Because of its great electrocatalytic effectiveness and high electrical conductivity for the I/I<sub>3</sub> redox process, platinum is frequently chosen as the catalyst material for electrode coating. On the other hand, Pt coatings are unsuitable for commercialization because they are chemically unstable in iodide or triiodide-based electrolytes and are too expensive [39]. The use of nanoporous films in dye-derived wideband semiconductor research culminated in a key breakthrough in dye-sensitized solar cells (DSCs) in photoelectric energy conversion. In simulated photovoltaic light, the basic incident photon to contemporary conversion effectivity (IPCE) yield was once 7.1–7.9%, whilst in diffuse daylight it used to be 12%. Since then, DSCs have gotten a lot of attention from academics and businesses because of their great efficiency, prospective low price, and manufacturability [40]. Researchers exhibited cell proficiency of 8.2 percent utilizing a novel solvent-free liquid redox electrolyte comprised of three salts as an option in contrast to utilizing natural solvents as an electrolyte arrangement [41]. Mesoscopic solar cells with a redox-based electrolyte and a custom-manufactured zinc porphyrin dye as a sensitizer (named YD2-o-C8) slow interfacial back electron transport from the nanocrystal film's conduction band to the oxidized cobalt mediator, allowing for photovoltages approaching 1 volt. The device's performance is further improved by co-sensitizing the dye with another organic dye, which results in a measured PCE of 12.3 percent over simulated air mass 1.5 [42].

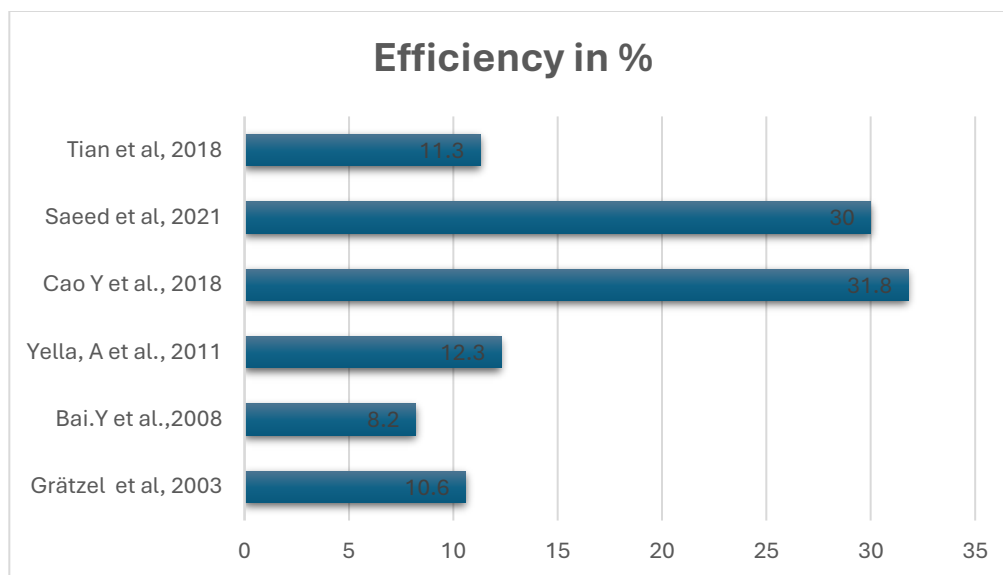


Fig.1. Comparison of proficiency of Dye Synthesized Solar Cell

Table 2. Comparison between DSSC/QDSC/OSC

| Reference             | Cell | Description                                                                                                          | Jsc (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | VOC (V) | F.F % | η (%) | Inferences                                                                   |
|-----------------------|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|-------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bai.Y et al., 2008    | DSSC | DMII/EMII/EMITCB/I <sub>2</sub> /NBB/GNCS (12:12:16:1.67:3.33:0.67)                                                  | 14.26                     | 0.741   | 77.4  | 8.2   | Solvent-free electrolyte. But not applicable for large scale door production |
| Yella, A et al., 2011 | DSSC | Co(II/III)tris(bipyridyl)–based redox electrolyte with YD2-o-C8 as the synthesizer.                                  | 17.66                     | 0.935   | 74    | 12.3  | High photovoltage but has losses due to volatile acetonitrile solvent.       |
| Cao Y et al., 2018    | DSSC | TiO <sub>2</sub> /FTO/ Meso-TiO <sub>2</sub> /Dye/ Electrolyte/ Sealant/ Insulating porous spacer/ Counter electrode | 0.138                     | 0.878   | 77.3  | 31.8  | Higher Efficiency                                                            |
| Gao, J et al., 2011   | QDSC | ITO/ZnO/PbS QD/metal                                                                                                 | 18.145                    | 0.524   | 46.2  | 4.04  | Poisonous lead is used                                                       |
| Pan Z et al., 2014    | QDSC | CIS/ZnS core/shell QDs                                                                                               | 19.73                     | 0.58    | 58    | 6.66  | Cd & Pb free with less performance                                           |

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|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Jiao S et al.,<br>2017     | QDSC    | N-MC/Ti CE                                                                             | 25.53 | 0.785 | 63.2  | 12.23 | Improved efficiency with Poor stability              |
| Zhang, L et al.,<br>2021   | QDSC    | FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>3</sub> QDs/Spiro-OMeTAD/MoOx/Ag                    | 17.58 | 1.23  | 74.3  | 16.07 | Good efficiency but causes lead poisoning            |
| Lungenschmied et al., 2007 | Organic | Al/P3HT: PCBM/PEDOT: PSS/ITO/Substrate                                                 | 13.9  | 1.38  | 29    | 0.5   | Stable and Low efficiency                            |
| Kang, M.G et al.,<br>2010  | OSC     | Al/LiF/ P3HT: PCBM/ PEDOT: PSS/ITO/Substrate                                           | 8.75  | 0.59  | 69    | 3.5   | Scalable and Low efficiency                          |
| Farooq. W et al.,<br>2020  | OSC     | ITO/PEDOT: PSS/P3HT: PCBM/TiO <sub>2</sub> /PEDOT: PSS/PTB7: PCBM/TiO <sub>2</sub> /Al | 22.6  | 0.85  | 68.21 | 13.5  | High-Temperature stability with moderate performance |
| Jin K, 2021                | OSC     | ITO/PEDOT: PSS/D18-Cl: N3: PC61BM (D: A1:A2)/PDIN/Ag                                   | 28.22 | 0.85  | 78    | 18.69 | Higher efficiency                                    |
| Fu, Jiehao, et al.,2023    | OSC     | PM6:BTP-eC9 organic solar cell                                                         | 27.88 | 0.861 | 80.39 | 19.31 | High efficiency                                      |
| Chen, Chen, et al..2024    | OSC     | D18:L8-ThCl/L8-BO:L8-ThCl Ternary p-BHJ                                                | 27.5  | 0.91  | 80.3  | 20.1  | Increased efficiency                                 |

A DSC architecture achieves 13.1% efficiency under air mass 1.5 global, 100 mW cm<sup>2</sup> solar radiation, and 32% PCE under a standard Osram 930 Warm White fluorescent tube light at 1,000 lux intensity. Direct contact of the dye-impregnated TiO<sub>2</sub> layer with the hole-collecting poly(3,4-ethylenedioxythiophene) (PEDOT) reference electrode considerably improves the cell [43]. CIS-Z QD sensitizer was used to build high-efficiency "green" Quantum Dot Solar Cells. These solar cells have a verified efficiency of 6.66%, which is a new high for Cd- and Pb-free QD solar cells and the maximum for QDSCs [44]. In QD-SSCs, a single layer of nanoparticles is chemically assimilated on an electron acceptor such as TiO<sub>2</sub> or ZnO. The electrons are injected into the nanoporous electron acceptor and the holes are retrieved by a liquid electrolyte when photogenerated excitons (pairs of electron holes) are formed from a QD monolayer. As a result, the QDs in the QD-SSCs can only serve a single function as a layer of absorption with a recorded efficiency of 12.2%. Furthermore, the single-layer thickness of QDs restricts their application [45]. By including ZnI<sub>2</sub> as the dopant in the synthesis process, an anion/cation synergy technique was exhibited to increase the stability and photoelectric characteristics of CsPbI<sub>3</sub> QDs. The photovoltaic performance of PV cells made of Zn: CsPbI<sub>3</sub> QDs is superior as well as stable with an efficiency of 16.7% [46]. For more than 1000 hours in the air, the device has remained incredibly stable. As a result, the focus of this research is on air-fabricated devices having an ITO/ZnO/PbS QD/metal configuration. The photovoltaic cell efficacy can be increased to over 4% by tempering PbS QD film at low temperatures up to 140 degrees Celsius [47]. On both glass substrates and flexible ultra-high barrier foils, interlinked massive organic solar cells were developed. Flexible solar cell modules with a 0.5 percent efficiency, made up of three series-connected components was realized with J<sub>sc</sub>, V<sub>oc</sub> and Fill factor of 13.9 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, 1.38V, 29% respectively. In the case of the P3HT: PCBM-based cells, the ultra-high barrier material can last up to 6000 hours on the shelf, or more than 8 months [48]. An essential approach is used to produce exceptional BHJ morphology in a short amount of time, paving the door for scalable high-efficiency polymer solar cell manufacturing with 3.5% efficiency [49]. Integrated P3HT: PCBM and PTB7: PCBM results in a hybrid tandem structure. The proposed architecture is more efficient (13.5%) and more stable at high temperatures, indicating that it is better suited for actual applications [50]. Cell architecture of ITO/PEDOT: PSS/D18-Cl: N3:PC61BM (D: A1:A2)/PDIN/Ag with

high PCE of 18.69%, JSC of 28.22 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, OC Voltage of 0.85V and F.F of 78% is obtained [51]. Using a self-assembled molecule of 2-(9H-carbazol-9-yl) (2PACz), the self-assembled interlayer (SAI) technique is created, which uses a thin layer of 2–6 nm to form a full coverage on the substrate via both covalent and van der Waals connections. In addition to optimizing the electrical and optical properties of OPVs, allowing for a world-record efficiency of 20.17% (19.79% certified), the simple spin coating eliminates the need for additional rinsing and annealing steps and streamlines the laborious production process. A record light usage efficiency of 5.34% is made possible by the SAI method, which is particularly helpful in enhancing the absorption selectivity for semi-transparent OPVs [52]. Using 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene as a crystallization regulator, a nonmonotonic intermediate state manipulation strategy for cutting-edge organic solar cells optimizes the film crystallization process and controls the bulk-heterojunction's self-organization in a non-monotonic way, i.e., by first promoting and then relaxing molecular aggregation. As a result, we have produced effective organic solar cells with lower non-radiative recombination loss and prevented the excessive aggregation of non-fullerene acceptors. Our approach effectively provides a record binary organic solar cell efficiency of 19.31% (18.93% certified) in PM6:BTP-eC9 organic solar cells with a very low non-radiative recombination loss of 0.190 eV. Additionally, the PM1:BTP-eC9 organic solar cell has a lower non-radiative recombination loss of 0.168 eV (19.10% efficiency) [53]. Creating L8-ThCl, a thiophene-ended non-fullerene acceptor, which induces the fibrillation of both the host acceptor and the polymer donor, surpassing the 20% efficiency milestone of organic solar cells. In addition to the host acceptor L8-BO assembling into nanofibrils with improved structural order, the initial weak and less continuous nanofibrils of polymer donors, such as PM6 or D18, are well expanded and refined after the addition of L8-ThCl. With specific values of 19.4% and 20.1% for the PM6:L8-ThCl/L8-BO:L8-ThCl and D18:L8-ThCl/L8-BO:L8-ThCl devices, respectively, the improved structural order can be maintained by modifying the layer-by-layer deposition method. The latter is certified at 20.0%, the highest certified efficiency noted thus far for single-junction organic solar cells [54].

Table 2 shows the simulation parameters such as PCE, FF, Voc, Jsc and the features of the third-generation solar cells.

### 3. Progression of PSC Device Architecture

Over the last years, a new group of perovskites attracted considerable interest in science, emerged into existence called Hybrid Organic-Inorganic Perovskites, consisting of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, an ammonium cation; and Sn<sup>2+</sup>, Pb<sup>2+</sup>, etc which is a divalent metal cation and Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup> and I<sup>-</sup>, which are halide ions. Kojima was the first person who publishes a report on the photovoltaic solar cell, he fabricated dye synthesized solar cells with liquid electrolytes. It used CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub> (MAPbI<sub>3</sub>) and CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbBr<sub>3</sub> (MAPbBr<sub>3</sub>) as sensitizers that achieved 3.81% efficiency. No consideration was given to this device due to its reduced stability and efficiency [55]. There came up groundbreaking results when Solid State hole transport material was incorporated instead of liquid electrolyte, as the efficiency strikingly enhanced up to 9% [56]. When Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> based PSC with mixed halide (CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>2</sub>Cl) is used as buffer layer the PV cell exhibited a maximum efficacy of 10.9% [57]. Li doped film-based perovskite with CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub> as absorber material exhibited an enhanced short circuit current with a remarkable 19.3 percent efficiency [58]. Perovskite solar cell with 20.7% power conversion efficiency and the device was stable for over 90 days maintaining the efficiency 20% [59]. PSCs with methylammonium format (MAF) could remain stable for a longer duration compared to PSCs without MAF and recorded proficiency of 19.5% with F.F of 0.71 [60]. Bai in 2016 synthesized crosslinked C60-Sam layer on MAPbI<sub>2</sub> to PbI<sub>3</sub> layer and inferred that crosslinked C60-Sam layer improved the water stability of the cell [61].

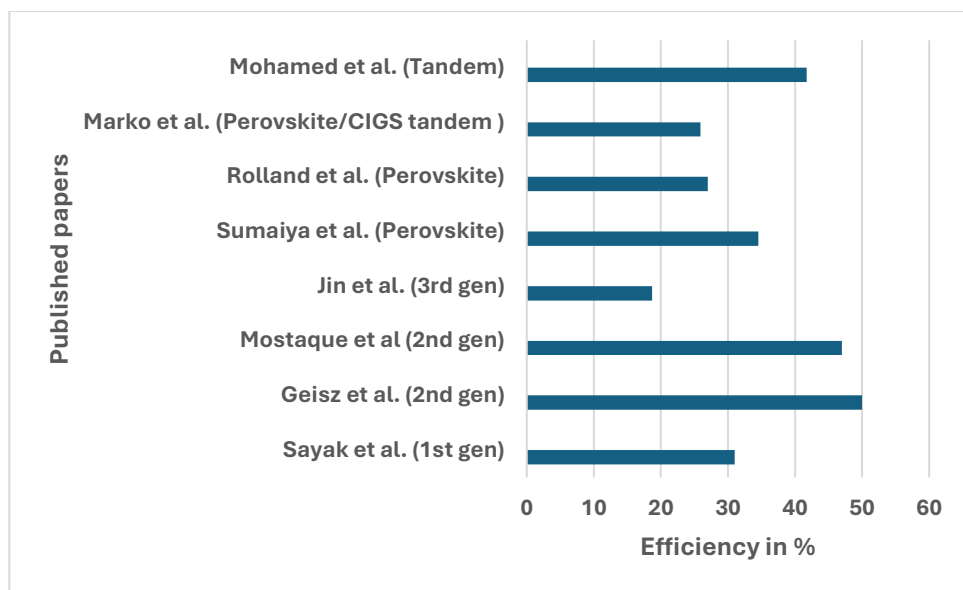
### 4. Review on PSCs

Low-cost materials with simple manufacturing processes can be used to manufacture PSCs. But its main challenge is to maintain the stability of the module level and durability concerning outdoor applications as loss in efficiency is observed as the area of PSC increases [62]. PSC lasts only for 6 months whereas silicon solar panels work up to 25 years [63]. Using first-principle measurements and thermodynamic modeling and found that the limit of absolute maximum efficiency was in the range of 25-27 % concerning the band-gaps of the metal halide perovskites [64]. Beneath real-world weather patterns, simulated functional Perovskite/Si tandem solar cells and showed that Si will increase the efficiency gain of tandem cells up to 12.9% by enhancing parasitic cell resistance, non-radioactive recombination, and optical loss. A greater efficiency gain can be obtained by optimizing the Perovskite cell by minimizing non-radioactive recombination and optimizing electrical and optical losses [65]. A small "loss-in-potential" value results in Perovskite cells' VOC greater than 1.1 V. Making it a potential competitor for solar cells with crystal silicon (1.1 eV) [66]. Studies showed that solar cell-oriented perovskite (CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub>) considering the structure of n-i-p. Stated that, an integrated structure with zinc oxide as ETM and nickel (II) oxide as HTM, using a

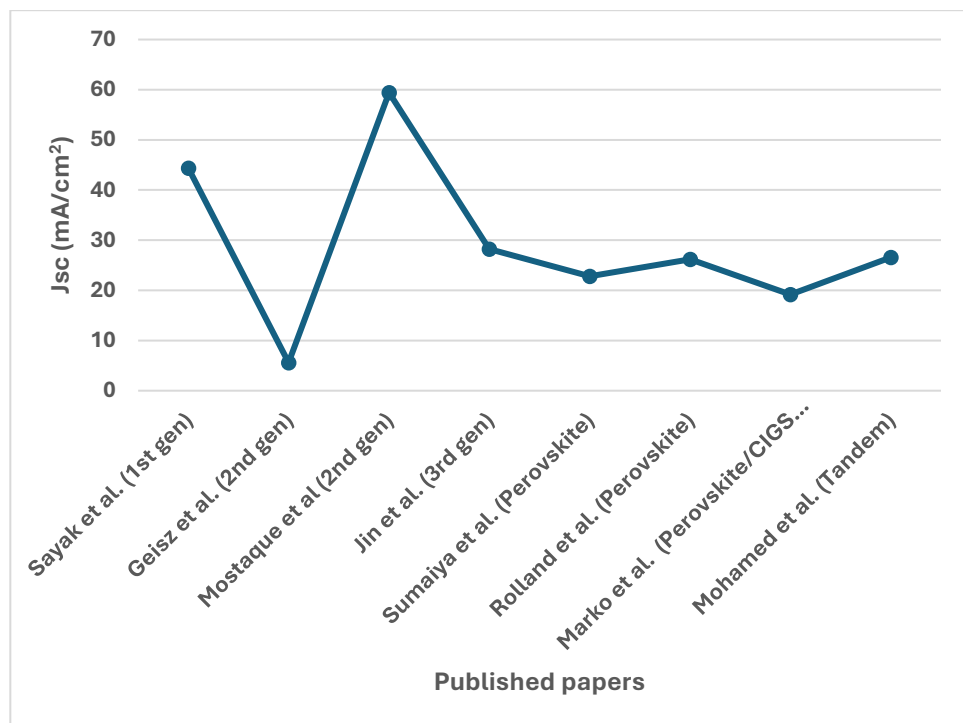
hybrid optical and electrical approach with SCAPS -1D software, outscored the performance of the traditional photovoltaic cell. The PCE recorded was 24.94% for the conforming Voc and Jsc obtained were 1.3V and 23.58mA/cm<sup>2</sup> respectively and fill factor was 0.83 [67]. Lead-free ecofriendly cell with antimony based (MA3Sb2I) Active layer and tungsten disulfide (WS2) interlayer to form a p-i-n heterojunction solar cell that achieved an efficiency of 20.36%. However, the bandgap of Antimony (Sb) is always higher than the optimal value which makes it difficult to achieve maximum PCE due to less recombination [68]. For enhanced performance, laser-scribing methods are employed to shape the module segment, eliminate dead space, and optimize aperture area efficiency. The module's dead area is less than 16 percent, demonstrating the benefits of laser scribing technology. This laser scribing has reduced the PCE by 2.6% and also has lesser values of Voc, Jsc concerning reference cell because of photocurrent loss [69]. With changed ZnO-nanorod interfacial construction with further developed security. With the device layers: FTO/ZnO-nanorods/PCBM/CH3NH3PbI3/Spiro-OMeTAD/Au. The use of ZnO nanorods has increased the Jsc and Voc by 18.6% and 18.5% respectively. These ZnO-based nanorods are not user-friendly for fabrication because of their higher cost [70]. Lead-free perovskite sun-based cell by utilizing tin and the imperfections in buffer layer are displayed by utilizing exponentially decaying band tails for shallow-level deformities and Gaussian dispersion for the profound level deformities. The layer topology is ITO/Glass/PEDOT: PSS/MAGeI3/PCBM/Au. The PCE obtained is not economical whereas if we replace MAGeI3 with MAPbI3 the PCE is around 4% higher. This design is used for synthesizing lead-free eco-friendly perovskite solar cells [72]. The deposition of SALD (Spatial atomic layer deposition) TiO2 films on the fluorine-doped tin oxide substrate work on the fog at mid-long frequencies, repaying the optical misfortune brought about by the retention of the TiO2 layer in short-frequencies. The layer topology is Au/spiro-OMeTAD/perovskite/SnO2/TiO2(sol-gel SiO2/SALD SiO2)/FTO. The use of SALD has led to an increase of Voc by 4.6% and Jsc by 2%. Increasing the TiO2 thickness up to 10nm reduces the Jsc by 75%. It can be used for producing solar cells with a low hysteresis index [73]. When compared to an encapsulation approach using a glass cover with ultraviolet-cured resin at the module edges, the epoxy resin-based encapsulation method reduces the lead leakage rate by a factor of 375. Its enhanced mechanical strength and ideal self-healing properties under operational conditions are linked to the epoxy resin encapsulation's higher Pb leakage reduction. Based on suitable encapsulation, these results clearly imply that Pb leakage from perovskite solar products can be minimized during deployment [74].

## 5. Review on Device Modeling and Simulation

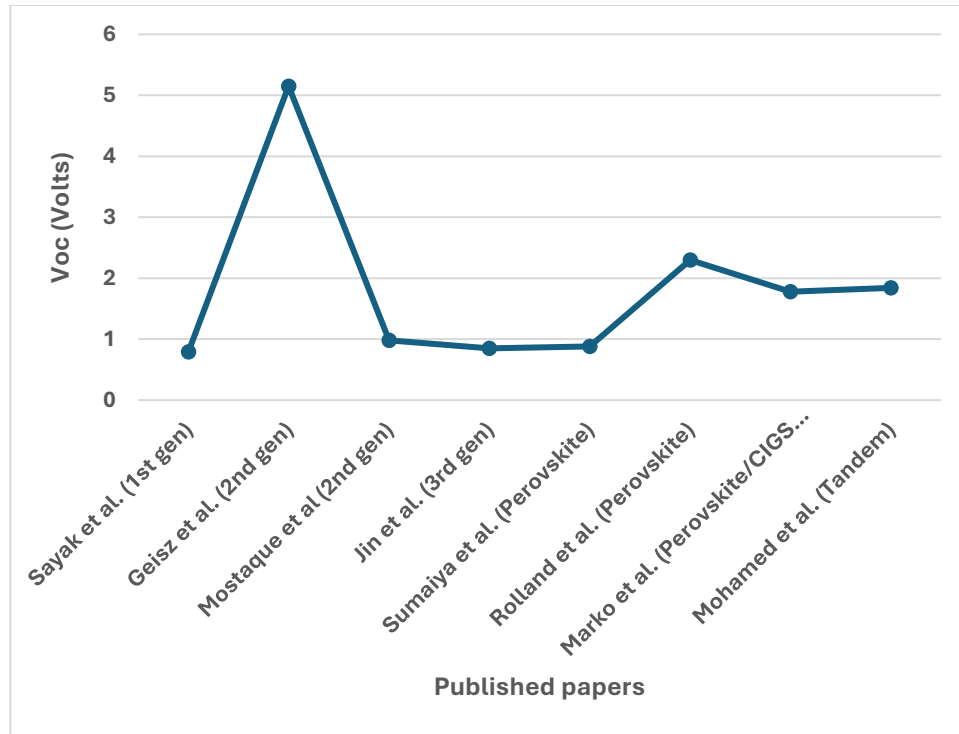
Methodology Numerically modeled PSC in Relying upon this Poisson and continuity, a drift-diffusion approximation has been developed. with planar p-i-n structure and showed that Perovskite absorber thickness and its consistency affect the efficiency, i.e., the preferred thickness of 500-600 nm with a broader range of Diffusion of 1-1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  leads to 25-27% efficiency [75]. In addition to assessing the efficiency of metal electrode work in the fabrication of PV cells, work was carried on perovskite/p-Si heterojunction perovskite planar solar cell with Silvaco Atlas Software and concluded that VOC, JSC, and FF can be influenced by adjusting the working feature that fits the front and back electrodes [76]. By modeling monolithically integrated series-connected tandem solar cells i.e., hybrid perovskite on silicon tandem solar cells with Silvaco software. This research provides strong evidence that the CH3NH3PbI3(1-x)Br3x alloy of perovskite methylammonium lead iodide-bromide is a highly promising absorbing material for escalated performance and low-cost tandem photovoltaic cells based on silicon, as it gives maximum efficiency of about 27% [77]. By incorporating a PSC on Si-based Tandem solar cell with Silvaco, wherein PSC acts as top cell since it is low in cost and has high absorption and yields transmittance >50% in a near-infrared spectral region. The whole module is encapsulated by a double-layer antireflection coating consisting of Al2O3 with SiO2, LiF and MgF2 were satisfactory, since the optimized Power conversion efficiency was found to be 26.75% [78]. An equivalent circuit for four miscellaneous forms of PSCs related to physics-based analytical models (n-i-p/n-p-p and p-i-n/p-p-n and) was therefore developed using MATLAB since analytical modeling has the potential to forecast the supreme output of the panel of individual PSCs and it can map efficiency of the and module's gap to the statistical distribution of one or more cell parameters and suggest enhancement prospects [79]. A convenient and cost-effective way of producing high-performance solar cells is recommended that could extend the spectral response range to form a 4-terminal perovskite/Si tandem architecture a Si bottom cell layered beneath a PSC top, increasing the efficacy of the tandem cell by about 20% compared to the Si solar cells reference [80].



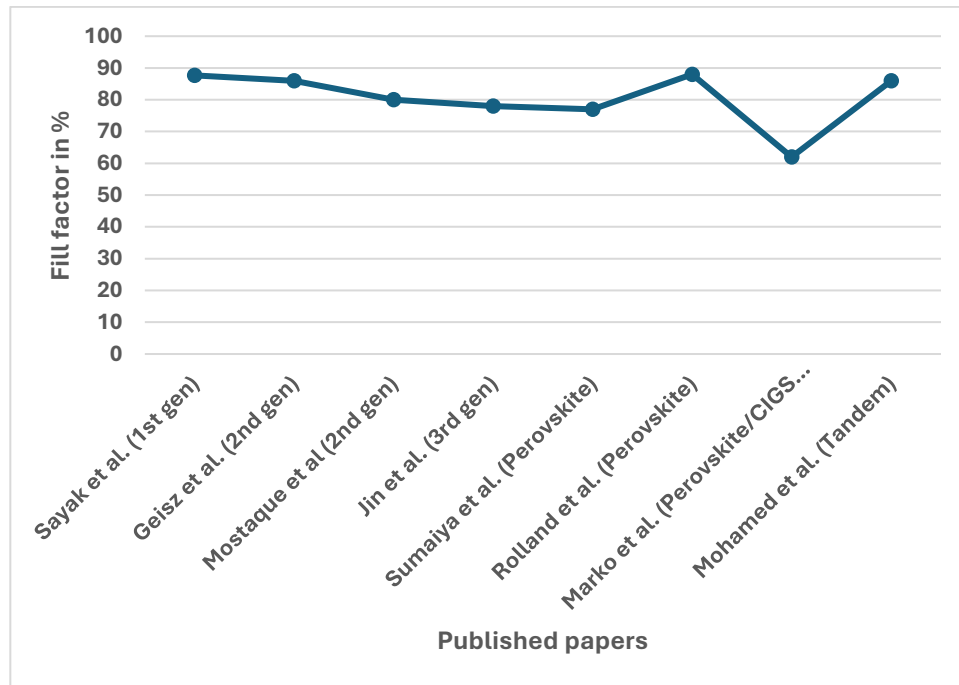
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Fig. 2. a) Comparison of proficiency of diverse kinds of PV cells. b) Comparison of Jsc of various PV cells. c) Comparison of Voc of different types of solar cells. d) Comparison of Fill factor of different kinds of PV cells.

Considering Fig.2. a), b) and c), we can conclude that the second generation (2nd gen) solar cells have the maximum recorded efficiency, Jsc and OC Voltage values of 50%, 59.4 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> and 5.15 V respectively. This is because of the use of indirect bandgap materials like GaAs, CdTe, etc. which have low hysteresis loss and higher

stability. Also the Fig. 2. d) shows that Perovskite has the highest Fill factor of 88% which is almost the same as the Si-based solar cells.

## 6. Analysis of Experimental and Simulated Results

In a mesoporous perovskite photovoltaic cell when a limited quantity of n-butyl amine (BTA) is added into PbI<sub>2</sub> to obtain optimal quality, seamless Perovskite films with huge kernels of crystal, and elevated crystal quality thus the rate of crystallization in PbI<sub>2</sub> due to moisture can be hindered. Without BTA PCE was 11.38%, but PSC demonstrated with BTA constituent showed improved efficiency of 16%, there is an improvement in all the parameters of the PSC [81]. P-i-n-type solar cells with  $\gamma$ -CsPbI<sub>3</sub> phase obtained by co-evaporation method recorded PCE of 12.5% with improved stability of 50days [82]. Perovskite/CIGS tandem PV cells likewise have extraordinary potential that had accomplished a proficiency of 25.9%. Coordinated with radiation hardness and flexibility, there is a wide scope of utilizations, where Perovskite/CIGS tandem cells could be beneficial over other perovskite pair sun-oriented cells [83]. The morphology of BHJ for exceedingly effective p-i-n-type ISCs that integrate a Perovskite with MAPbI<sub>3</sub> and organic BHJ absorbing NIR showed that highly efficient PSCs with photogenic absorption are feasible as a modern Photo - voltaic architectural design and the important rules for PSC optimization and obtained 0.77 Fill Factor with PCE 16.36% [84]. Later with the utilization of P3HT as an HTM layer in PSC with no dopants was recorded a PCE of 22.7 percent with a hysteresis of  $\pm 0.51$  percent; Without encapsulation, it demonstrates incredible adequacy at 85 percent relative to clamminess and when a thin layer of wide-bandgap halide perovskite is molded on top of the restricted bandgap light-fascinating layer by an in situ reaction of n-hexyl trimethyl ammonium bromide on the perovskite surface, it shows long-stretch practical strength for 1,370 hours under 1-Sun lighting at room temperature, keeping 95 percent of the fundamental capability, and an FF of 0.79 is obtained [85]. By Simulating perovskite/silicon tandem solar cells in a new three-terminal design, with one terminal in front and two in the back, in which the top and bottom cells are either inverted or have the same polarity. Layer topology is MgF<sub>2</sub>/ITO/HTM/ETM/n-type Si/ITO/Ag. It employs an additional layer over ITO called MgF<sub>2</sub> that increases the efficiency up to 32%. The PCE increases by 4% as the thickness of the perovskite layer grows by 50nm, but this can be exploited to generate higher PCE for solar cells with thicker perovskite layers [86]

Table 3. Comparison of experimental and simulated Results

| Reference                      | Technique                    | VOC<br>in<br>Volts | J <sub>sc</sub> in<br>mA/cm <sup>2</sup> | F.F  | PCE in % | Type                                           |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------|------|----------|------------------------------------------------|
| Jian Wu et al.,<br>2018        | Experimental                 | 1.10               | 22.29                                    | 0.65 | 16       | Mesoporous Perovskite Solar Cell               |
| Becker et al<br>2018           | Experimental                 | 0.96               | 17.8                                     | 0.73 | 12.5     | P-i-n-type Solar Cells                         |
| Junghwan Kim et al., 2016      | Experimental                 | 1.06               | 20.04                                    | 0.77 | 16.36    | P-I-N type ISCs                                |
| Marko Jošt et al.,2020         | Experimental                 | 1.78               | 19.2                                     | 0.62 | 25.9     | Perovskite/CIGS Tandem Solar Cells             |
| Abdelkader Himaa, et al., 2018 | SILVACO<br>ATLAS<br>software | 1.1                | 21.1                                     | 0.88 | 18.16    | Perovskite-based n-i-p Planar Heterojunction   |
| Rolland et al                  | SILVACO<br>ATLAS<br>software | 2.3                | 26.2                                     | 0.88 | 27       | Hybrid Perovskite on Silicon Tandem Solar Cell |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Masood Mehrabian & Sina Dalir, 2017 | SILVACO ATLAS software | 1.02  | 15.92 | 0.70  | 11.3  | Perovskite Heterojunction Solar Cell                                                                |
| Eui Hyuk Jung et al., 2019          | Experimental           | 1.152 | 24.88 | 0.81  | 23.3  | DHA based PSC incorporating P <sub>3</sub> HT                                                       |
| Mohamed Mousa et. Al, 2021          | SCAPS Software         | 1.84  | 26.54 | 0.86  | 41.73 | Two-terminal double junction tandem cells                                                           |
| Alsalmeh et. Al, 2023               | SCAPS Software         | 1.77  | 14.51 | 84.05 | 21.62 | MAGeI <sub>3</sub> -based lead free PSC                                                             |
| Alanazi, Terek, 2023                | SCAPS Software         | 1.33  | 17.44 | 62.59 | 14.62 | Cs <sub>2</sub> AgBiBr <sub>6</sub> -based lead free PSC                                            |
| BHATTARAI et al, 2022               | SCAPS Software         | 0.876 | 33.19 | 76.19 | 22.16 | Lead-free MASnI <sub>3</sub> -based PSC                                                             |
| Sabbah, Hussein, et al., 2023       | SCAPS Software         | 1.278 | 23.30 | 88.21 | 26.34 | Hydrogenated lead-free Cs <sub>2</sub> AgBiBr <sub>6</sub> double PSC with inverted p-i-n structure |
| Bhattarai, Sagar, et al., 2023      | SCAPS Software         | 1.108 | 31.89 | 85.01 | 30.10 | Lead free Cs <sub>2</sub> BiAgI <sub>6</sub> /CIGS based PSC                                        |
| Wahid M.F, et al., 2024             | SCAPS Software         | 1.053 | 33.92 | 88.57 | 31.63 | Lead free FTO/WS <sub>2</sub> /CsSnI <sub>3</sub> /P <sub>3</sub> HT/Au                             |

Over 41% efficiency was reached by simulating high-current tandem PV cells with balanced currents, where the layering topology of the proposed cell is Glass/TCO/ZnOS/IDL1/ MAPbI<sub>3</sub>2/CuO/ZnO/CdS/GeTe. Temperature causes efficiency, OC Voltage and F.F to drop. Using the incident spectrum AM 1.5, in recent years, two-junction tandem cells have achieved some of the maximum PCE. This cell is favorable since it has only two connections, which reduces the complexity and expense of solar cells significantly [87]. MAGeI<sub>3</sub>-based PSCs were studied with SCAPS-1D software. After being numerically modelled, PSCs with the device architecture FTO/ZnOS/MAGeI<sub>3</sub>/spiro-OMeTAD/Au showed increased performance at 300K f 21.62%[88].FTO/SnO<sub>2</sub>/Cs<sub>2</sub>AgBiBr<sub>6</sub>/Spiro-OMeTAD/Au has been used as the cell layout. By adding a ZnO<sub>0.4</sub>Sn<sub>0.6</sub>/Cs<sub>2</sub>AgBiBr<sub>6</sub> DETL system, a double ETL structure was found to solve the absorber/ETL problem, boosting efficiency from 10.35% to 14.23% for an absorber with a thickness of 140 nm and 400 nm for the single and double ETL structures, respectively [89]. PSC with architecture ZnO/MASnI<sub>3</sub>/CuSbS<sub>2</sub> is simulated CuSbS<sub>2</sub> as HTM and ZnO as ETM can be utilized as an exceptional candidate to supplement the expensive Spiro-OMeTAD and ZnO as ETM for better band alignment and higher mobility factors , which notably enhances the efficiency of up to 22.16% and becomes useful in further optimizing the lead-free Sn-based PSC device making it cost effective[90].Hydrogenated lead-free Cs<sub>2</sub>AgBiBr<sub>6</sub> double perovskite solar cells with an inverted p-i-n structure have their structural characteristics adjusted. The absorber and hole transport layer thicknesses and doping concentrations, as well as the effects of band alignment and ETL doping on performance, are carefully adjusted in this study using numerical modeling using SCAPS-1D. According to the study, the use of ZnO as an electron transport layer material results in an impressive power conversion efficiency of around 26.34%, showing the possibility of creating stable, extremely efficient, and reasonably priced Cs<sub>2</sub>AgBiBr<sub>6</sub>-based perovskite solar cells for use in future commercial applications [91]. ITO/ZnO/Cs<sub>2</sub>BiAgI<sub>6</sub>/Spiro-OMeTAD/Au, ITO/ZnO/CIGS/Spiro-OMeTAD/Au, and ITO/ZnO/Cs<sub>2</sub>BiAgI<sub>6</sub>/CIGS/Spiro-OMeTAD/Au are the three configurations whose performances will be compared. The use of materials like Cs<sub>2</sub>BiAgI<sub>6</sub> and CIGS as light absorbers in solar devices is restricted due to their limited absorption of light. However, by adding a second light active layer made up of the graded active layer of both Cs<sub>2</sub>BiAgI<sub>6</sub>/CIGS, the device's ability to absorb light can be improved, hence increasing the configuration's efficiency. The suggested solar cell models in this study were analyzed using the SCAPS-1D program. The optimum output parameters that were attained are as follows: FF of 85.01%, PCE of 30.10%, VOC of 1.108 V, and JSC of 31.89

mA/cm<sup>2</sup> [92]. Due to their potential as a perovskite absorber layer in the device architecture, lead-free double perovskite solar cells (DPSCs) have attracted a lot of research interest recently. They are also reasonably priced, exhibit exceptional stability, and have great performance. Commercialization of perovskite solar cells (PSCs) still faces challenges due to their lead and non-biodegradable material basis. Using SCAPS-1D software, an inorganic, non-toxic substance, Cs<sub>2</sub>AgInBr<sub>6</sub>, is studied. The simulation result indicates that the Cs<sub>2</sub>AgInBr<sub>6</sub>-based DPSC has reached a maximum efficiency of 26.9% at an absorber layer thickness of 600 nm [93]. SCAPS-1D software was used to determine the structure FTO/WS<sub>2</sub>/CsSnI<sub>3</sub>/P3HT/Au's properties, which include an open-circuit voltage of 1.053V, an efficiency of 31.63%, a short-circuit current density of 33.92 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, and an FF of 88.57%. With its exceptional quantum efficiency in the visible and near-infrared spectrums, this structure will contribute to the development of more stable lead-free solar cells that could serve as the foundation for flexible technology [94].

MAPbI<sub>3</sub> layers with excess PbI<sub>2</sub> experimental data were used in this study to investigate a primary n-i-p planar structure (ITO/SnO<sub>2</sub>/MAPbI<sub>3</sub>/spiro-OMeTAD/Au) using drift-diffusion SCAPS-1D simulations. According to the calculations, the power conversion efficiency (PCE) was high, at about 24 percent. In order to enhance device efficiency, a number of parameters affecting photovoltaic performance were investigated, including MAPbI<sub>3</sub> thickness, series resistance, shunt resistance, defect density, and recombination methods (radiative and Auger). Adding ohmic contacts (IZO at the back and Azol at the front) to an optimized structure (AZO/SnO<sub>2</sub>/MAPbI<sub>3</sub>/spiro-OMeTAD/IZO) also increased the PCE to 26.03%. For the development of high-efficiency bifacial MAPbI<sub>3</sub> perovskite solar cells, these findings provide insightful information. Furthermore, the optimization of these parameters could lead to even higher efficiencies in future designs, as researchers continue to explore novel materials and architectures. Continued advancements in fabrication techniques and scalability will be crucial for the commercialization of these high-performance solar cells [96].

Table 3 provides a detailed comparison between the simulated and experimented solar cells based on their specifications.

## 7. Efficiency Comparison between Silicon PV cells, 2nd Generation Solar Cells, 3rd Generation Photovoltaic Cells and Perovskite Photovoltaic Cells.

### 7.1 Efficiency Comparison of Silicon Photovoltaic cell and Perovskite Solar cell.

The first Silicon Solar Cell, invented in 1953, could only achieve a 31 percent efficiency over 70 years, whereas PSCs could achieve high efficacy in just ten years which can be witnessed in Fig. 3.

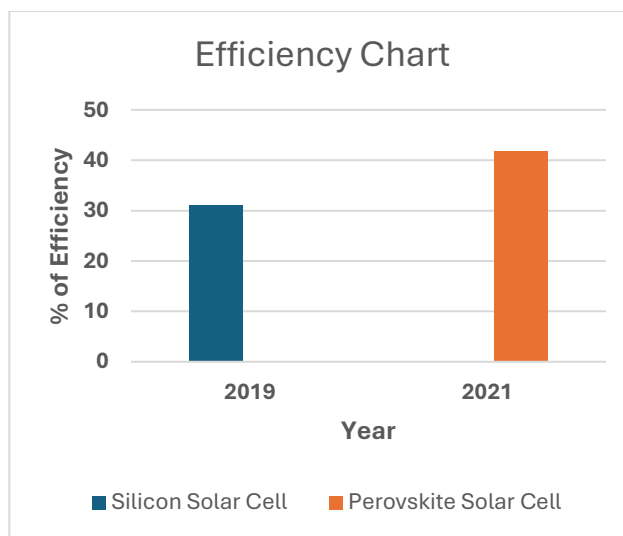


Fig.3 Efficiency comparison between Silicon and Perovskite solar cells.

### 7.2 Efficiency Comparison of CdTe/CIGS/GaAs and Perovskite Solar cell

The graph in Figure 4 depicts the year-by-year incremental efficiency of CdTe/CIGS/GaAs and Perovskite Solar cell. When comparing various solar cells, it is discovered that gallium arsenide is the best material for solar cell architecture since it has excellent light reception. GaAs concentrator Photo Voltaic cells have better efficiency than

the other second-generation solar cells. PSCs could reach a phenomenal efficacy of 41.73% within a 14-year span, which can be termed as a great achievement, whereas GaAs solar cells could reach 50% in 60 years.

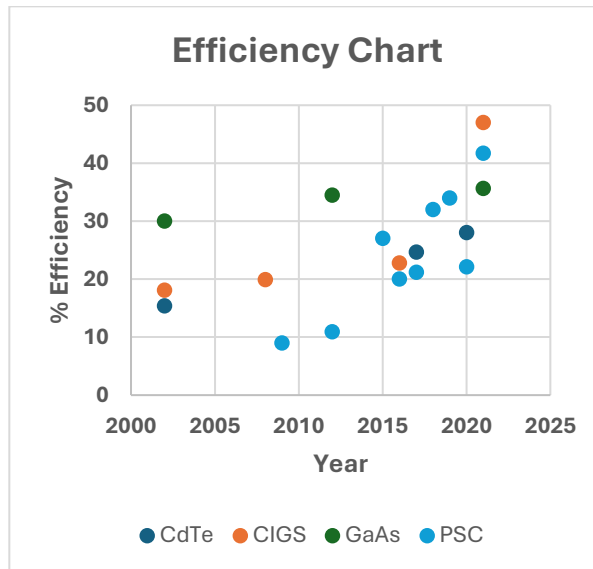


Fig.4 Efficiency comparison between second generation (2nd gen) and Perovskite solar cell.

### 7.3 Efficiency Comparison of DSSC/QDSC/OSC and Perovskite Solar cell

The graph in Fig.5 shows an efficiency comparison between Dye Synthesized PV cell, QD PV cell, Organic PV cell and PSC. It can be deduced that, even though PSCs were developed considerably later than other emerging cells, their performance is far exceptional. Fig.5 shows an Efficiency comparison between DSSC, QDSC and PSC.

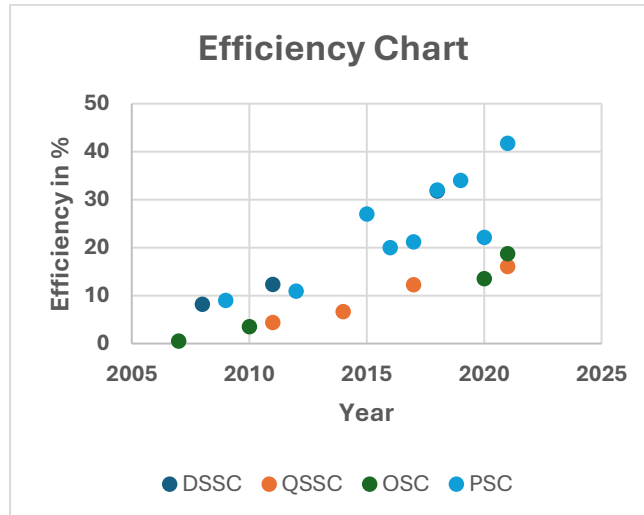


Fig.5 Efficiency comparison between Dye-sensitized, Quantum dots and Perovskite solar cells.

## 8. Conclusion and Future Work

According to the report, solar cells are simulated and manufactured using a variety of ways, each of which will produce a variable performance depending on the materials and technology employed. Solar cells encounter various challenges like high production cost, insufficient output, bulkiness, complexity, stability and design parameters. The efficiency of DSSCs and PSCs, which are among the future third-generation solar cells, is astounding. However, PSC outperformed DSSC in terms of performance. Important aspects that could influence PSC includes design parameters, stability and production cost. As an outcome of the literature review, it can be concluded that a tandem Perovskite/GaAs and Perovskite/CIGS solar cell will improve overall cell efficiency. The integration of an established

manufacturing method that uses Perovskite Solar cells would be promising for the future photovoltaic market [97]. By fabricating high-efficiency modules with high precision in PSCs can be attained to design a cost-effective module making it more curious to explore. Device stability is also another important aspect to be considered while modeling since the stability of PSC is still not satisfactory. Either lead or tin is the prime constituent of Perovskite Cell, both lead and tin cause pollution, so a suitable substitute for Pb and Sn has to be spotted which can maintain or even improve PCE. It can also be seen that tandem perovskite photovoltaic cells are much highly reliable than Traditional perovskite photovoltaic cells [98]. It can be concluded that device modeling and simulation are very important tools that have a great impact on electronic technologies [99] and can state that simulation done by SILVACO ATLAS software can reach a closer simulated model to the experimental one [100]. It can be determined that among SCAPS-1D and other simulation software, SCAPS does have huge benefits like that of the capacity to interpret heterojunction and multi-junction photovoltaic devices, the ability to reproduce up to seven unique layers with non-routine estimations (C-V, C-f), tandem cells, and is not difficult to learn and exact to control [101]. Furthermore, the simulation result is consistent with past experiment protocols. We could analyze that the PSC parameters found experimentally are nearly equal to the parameters obtained by Simulation. Perovskite solar cells can be simulated using various software like Silvaco Atlas, SCAPS 1D, wxamps, Amps, Sentaurus TCAD, etc. Silvaco software offers 1D, 2D, 3D simulations. Modeling with the help of SCAPS 1D, Silvaco and Sentaurus Tcad software offers better accuracy. From the statistics, it can be shown that both the simulated and actual results agree well.

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