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Investigation of Deposition Temperature and Time Effect on the Quality of FSF in n-PERT Solar Cells Using Phosphorus Doped Paper Sheets

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ABSTRACT

The generation of phosphorus-diffused Front Surface Fields (FSF) is regarded as a key step in the fabrication of high-conversion-efficiency n-typePERT (passivated emitter rear fully diffused) solar cells. Experimental data show that the application of a FSF reduces the total series resistance. The penetration depths in the range of 0.50 μm and 0.81 μm , the dopants surface concentrations are 2.5 E21 cm^{-3} and 1.9 E22 cm^{-3} for n-850 and n-900 °C respectively. The passivation property was studied, and it was discovered that the effective lifetime grew considerably to 127 μs at 900 °C and a deposit period of 20 minutes, and subsequently decreased to up to 20 μs at the same temperature and a deposition time of 6 minutes.

Keywords: n-type silicon solar cells; n-PERT; front surface field (FSF); lifetime (t_{eff}).

Introduction

Because of its great efficiency, n-type crystalline silicon (c-Si) solar cells are now attracting a lot of attention. In this work, we presented front surface field (FSF) optimization for n-PERT¹ (Passivated Emitter Rear Totally-diffused). N-type silicon has longer bulk lifetimes and is less susceptible to metal impurities² and light-induced degradation³. The primary function of an FSF is to decrease the dark emitter current and therefore raise the open-circuit voltage⁴. This study presents findings for industrially optimizing diffusion (FSF), with a focus on the two parameters temperature and deposition time to obtain high FSF performance.

Experimental

We employed sheet paper (perform source) to examine the FSF quality diffusion through phosphorus source doped n-type monocrystalline silicon wafers with low resistivity (1 - 3 Ωcm). The diffusion process is carried out in the Omega Junior 3 oven of the manufacturer Tempress (Holland). The effect of diffusion temperature and deposition time is investigated.



Results and Discussion

SIMS and ECV measurements reveal that diffusion by a solid source at 900°C and a deposition period of 20 minutes yields a satisfactory result, which is consistent with minority carrier lifetime data or a good passivation of the surface. The Hall stripping technique we demonstrate that increasing the deposition temperature or duration reduces the Hall mobility, which may be explained by a high doping level. For a doping time of 10 min we have a concentration of $1.83 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, a larger fraction of substituted phosphorus.

Conclusion

Sample n-850 had a penetration depth of 0.65 μm and a concentration of $2.5 \text{ E}21 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, whereas sample n-900 had a depth of 0.81 μm and a concentration of $1.9 \text{ E}22 \text{ cm}^{-3}$. We investigated the effective lifetime of the minority charge carriers. We achieved lifetime values 127 μs and an open circuit voltage of 634.5 mV using iodine-ethanol passivation at a deposition temperature of 900 ° C and deposition duration of 20 minutes.

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