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Overview

What is a BIPV module?

A BIPV module is a photovoltaic (PV) module and a construction product at the same time, mainly designed to be a multifunctional component of the building skin. PV modules generate renewable electricity by directly converting solar radiation into direct current (DC) using semiconductor materials.

Can BIPV be used as a building component?

The main barriers for the widespread implementation are non-technical 172, namely, social 161, legal 173, economic 174 and aesthetic 175 considerations. Considering BIPV as a building component as opposed to a specialist category of PV modules could help overcome these barriers by integrating it seamlessly into construction practices.

How can a BIPV module be customized?

Customised solar cell patterns can be tailor-made (Figure 3.5). In this case, the cell strings have to be connected manually. Finally, the BIPV module shape can be varied by using different glass formats and geometries, such as circular, triangular, or free-form glasses. Glass is the most common material used also as a backsheet in BIPV modules.

How does a BIPV system work?

To set up a BIPV system, the solar modules are connected in series to form “module strings.” The module strings are then connected either in series or in parallel at the PV array combiner box. The BIPV system may also contain overcurrent protection and disconnection devices.



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