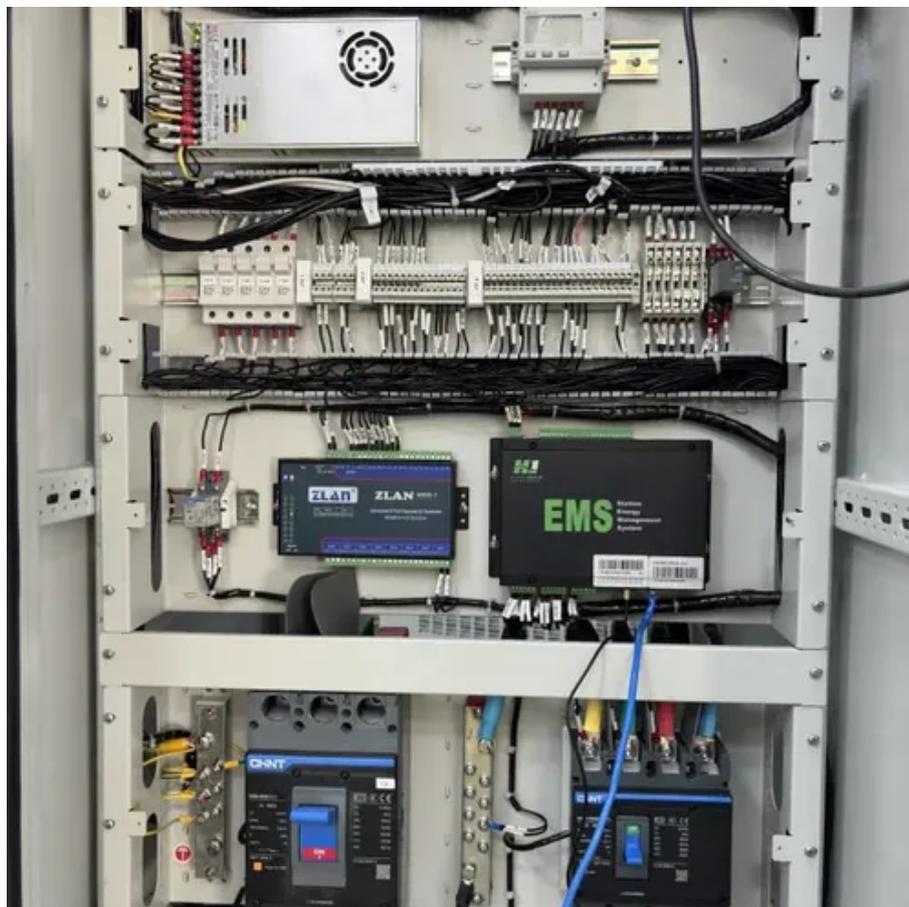




History of photovoltaic panels





Overview

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When was solar energy first used?

When were solar panels invented?

Though solar energy has found a dynamic and established role in today's clean energy economy, there's a long history behind photovoltaics. Long before the first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970, generating awareness about the environment and support for environmental protection, scientists were making the first discoveries in solar energy. It all began with Edmond Becquerel, a young physicist working in France, who in 1839. As early as 212 BC, the Greek scientist, Archimedes, used the reflective properties of bronze shields to focus sunlight and to set fire to wooden ships from the Roman Empire which were besieging Syracuse. Today's rooftop installations trace their lineage through brilliant inventors, accidental discoveries, and Cold War space races—transforming. The history of photovoltaic technology begins over 100 years ago, and is rich with novelty and scientific discovery. In the first chapter of solar history was a simple discovery: Light relates to electricity.



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Timeline of solar cells

Overview 1800s 1900-1929 1930-1959 1960-1979 1980-1999 2000-2019 2020s

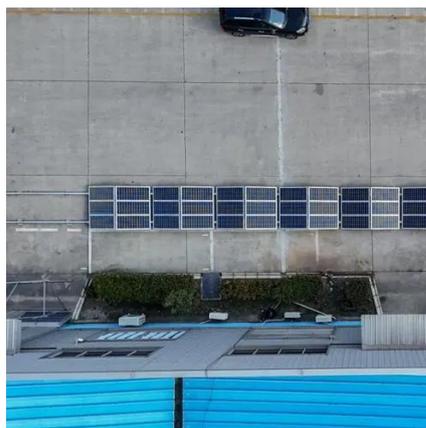
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