

General Installation Manual

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General Installation Manual for SANYO HIT[®] Double Photovoltaic Modules. Please read this manual completely before installation or use of HIT Double modules. This manual applies to the following products:

- HIT Double 200 (HIP-200DA3)
- HIT Double 195 (HIP-195DA3)
- HIT Double 190 (HIP-190DA3)
- HIT Double 186 (HIP-186DA3)
- HIT Double 180 (HIP-180DA3)

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing SANYO HIT[®] Double PV modules. With proper operation and maintenance, SANYO modules will provide you with clean, renewable solar electricity for many years. This manual contains important installation, maintenance and safety information. The word "module" as used in this manual refers to one or more PV modules. Retain this manual for future reference.

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General Information

The installation of solar modules requires a great degree of skill and should only be performed by qualified licensed professionals, including, without limitation, licensed contractors and electricians.

WARNING

All instructions should be read and understood before attempting to install, wire, operate, and/or maintain the photovoltaic module. PV modules generate DC electrical energy when exposed to sunlight or other light sources. Contact with electrically active parts of the module such as terminals

can result in burns, sparks, and lethal shock whether the module is connected or disconnected.

The shock hazard increases as modules are connected in parallel, producing higher current, and as modules are connected in series, producing higher voltage.

The installer assumes the risk of all personal injury or property damage that might occur during installation and handling of modules.

To avoid injury or damage:

- Cover the entire front and back surface of the bifacial modules with a dense, opaque material such as a cardboard box or heavy cloth.
- Work only in dry conditions, with dry modules and tools.
- Do not stand or step on a module.
- Do not drop a module.
- Do not break the glass surfaces of a module.
- Do not allow children and unauthorized persons near the installation site or storage area of modules.
- Completely ground all modules according to applicable electric codes.
- Do not disassemble the module, or remove any part installed by the manufacturer.
- Do not open the cover of the junction box.
- Wear suitable protection (gloves, clothes, etc.) to prevent direct contact with 30V DC or greater.
- Carry a module by its' frame with two or more people.
- Do not carry a module by its wires or junction box.
- Wear non-slip gloves.
- Do not drop or place heavy items on the surfaces of a module (such as tools).
- Check that all other system components (inverters, wires, racks, balance of system materials, etc.) are mechanically and electrically compatible.
- Do not install the module where flammable gases or vapors are present.
- Never leave a module unsupported or unsecured.
- Do not use or install broken modules.
- Do not artificially concentrate sunlight on a module by mirror, Fresnel lens, magnification, etc.
- Do not touch the junction box terminals.

- Do not change the wiring of bypass diodes.

CAUTIONS

- Use a module for its intended purpose only.
- Do not treat any portion of the module with paint or adhesives, to avoid damage to the module, inoperable conditions, or reducing the module's functionality.
- HIT Double modules have bifacial performance. These modules produce power from both surfaces of the module at the same time and may generate up to 30% more output power than its' STC rated value. Refer to Figure 5 for these output electrical characteristics.
- This additional power depends upon the level of incident light irradiance (albedo) available to the back side of the module, and can be increased or decreased depending upon site characteristics, installation design, weather, etc.
- Treat the back side of the module the same as the front side and avoid objects that directly shade the solar cells. Refer to "Notes on installation" section.

GENERAL SAFETY

Follow all permission, installation and inspection requirements.

- Before installing modules, contact the appropriate authorities to determine permissions, installation and inspection requirements that apply to your site and installation.
- Electrically ground modules for all systems of any voltage. If not otherwise specified, it is recommended that requirements of the latest National Electrical Code (USA) or Canadian Electric Code (Canada) or other national or international electrical standards be followed. Refer to "Earth Ground Wiring" section.
- Check applicable building codes to ensure that the construction or structure (roof, facade, support, etc.) where the modules are being installed has enough strength.
- For modules mounted on roofs, special construction or structures may be required to help provide proper installation support.
- Both roof construction and module installation design have an effect on the fire resistance of a building. Improper installation may contribute to fire hazards. Additional devices such

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- as ground faults, fuses, and disconnects may be required.
- Do not use modules of different specifications in the same series string.
- Do not use modules of different specifications in parallel.
- Check and follow all safety precautions of other system components used.

UL Listing Information

To satisfy UL standard 1703 requirements, when installing modules, be sure to:

- Use only stranded or solid copper single-conductor type UF cable or USE cable, rated sunlight resistant, for modules and interconnect wiring that is exposed to weather.
- Observe the requirements described in sections labeled INSTALLTION and SPECIFICATIONS.

INSTALLATION

General

Please read this guide completely before installation or use of the modules. This section contains electrical and mechanical specifications needed before using your SANYO PV modules.

- Modules should be firmly fixed in place in a manner suitable to withstand all expected loads, including wind and snow loads.
- Metals used in locations that are exposed to moisture shall not be employed alone or in combinations that could result in deterioration.
- Install modules where they are not shaded by obstacles like buildings and trees. Especially pay attention to avoid partially shading modules by objects during the daytime.
- Modules are water resistant, but not waterproof. Moisture may leak through where the frame and glass connect.
- Please contact your SANYO Authorized Representative with questions regarding mounting profiles for modules if needed.

Notes on Installation

- Clearance between the roof surface and module frame is *required* to allow cooling air to circulate under the back side of the module. This also allows any condensation or moisture to dissipate. Install modules so that air can circulate between the roof and the module as freely as possible.
- Leave 4 inches of clearance between the roof and the module frame.
- SANYO recommends (but does not require) the installation method and mounting profile shown in Figure 1.

- A module should be attached on a mount or support structure rail by metal fittings (Size: 27x27x14mm, Material: SUS304 or NSSC180). The metal fitting must meet the following specifications. Size: not less than 1.06" (27mm) width
Thickness: not less than 0.12" (3 mm)
Material: Stainless steel
- Bolting torque must be more than 8N.m.

The following information is provided to help customers obtain good performance without exceeding a module's operating conditions or warranty parameters.

- Do not artificially concentrate sunlight on a module by mirror, Fresnel lens, magnification, etc.
- The surface upon which modules are installed is recommended to be flat, to prevent artificially concentrated sunlight.
- Additional output power from the back face of the panel can be increased or decreased depending upon angles of installation, height from surfaces, shade from structures or rails, and the

albedo of surrounding surfaces.

- Please see Figure 5 for the effect of angles of installation on output power.
- The height of a module above a surface affects the power potential of the module's back face.
- When possible, maximize the height of modules above surfaces in order to maximize ambient light beneath the modules.
- Always position support structures and rails along the edges of a module, or between modules, and do not allow rails to shade a module's back surface.
- Light colored surfaces reflect more light than dark colored surfaces. Installing HIT Double modules over light colored surfaces will increase the output power potential from the back side.

Operating Conditions

SANYO requires that modules be operated within the following conditions:

- 1) Terrestrial applications only—no outer space use.
- 2) The ambient temperature must be within -20°C (-4°F) to 46°C (115°F).

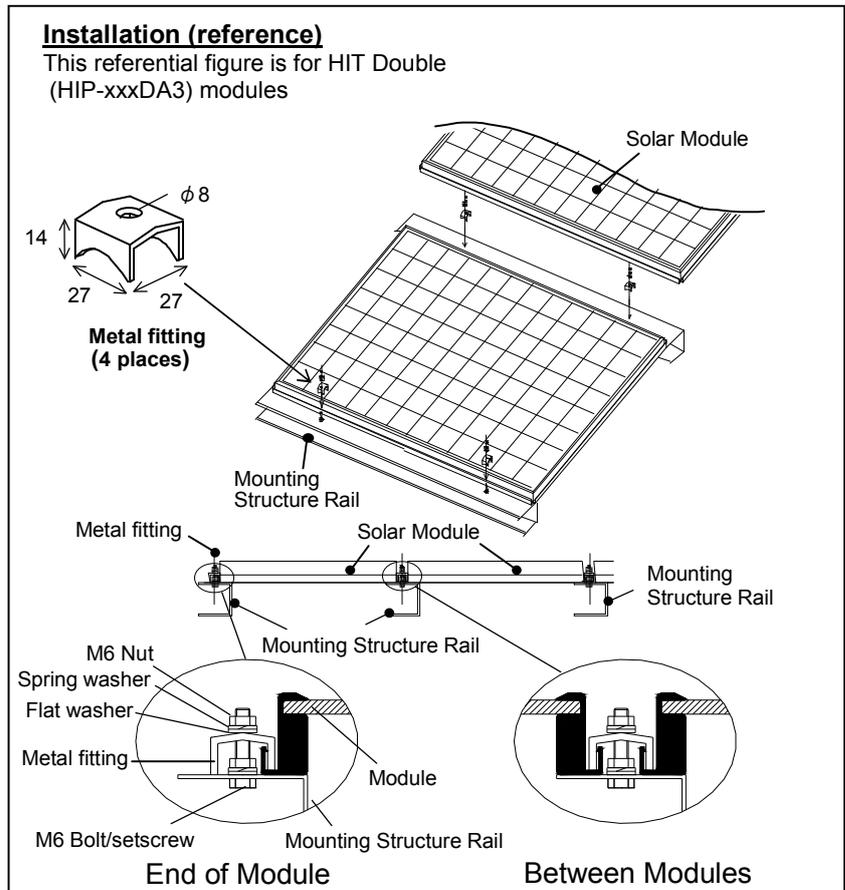


Figure 1. Installation

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The temperature limits are defined as the monthly average low and high of the installation site.

- 3) The wind pressure load of the installation site should be less than 1,440Pa (30PSF)*.

*Note: HIT Double modules were tested at 30PSF at UL's testing lab. Modules of exactly the same structure successfully achieved 50PSF load ratings at JET's (Japan Electrical Safety & Environment Technology Laboratories) testing lab, and are certified as fully compliant at 50PSF.

- 4) Modules must not be installed nor operated in areas where, salt, hail, snow, sand, dust, air pollution, chemically active vapors, acid rain, soot, etc., are excessive.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Rated electrical characteristics are within -5% to +10% of the values measured at STC. STC Conditions are; Irradiance of 1000W/m², 25°C cell temperature, and solar spectral irradiance per IEC 60904-3.
- Under normal conditions, a photovoltaic module may experience conditions that produce more current and/or voltage than reported at Standard Test Conditions. Accordingly, the values of Isc and Voc marked on modules should be multiplied by a factor of 1.25 when determining voltage ratings, conductor capacities, fuse sizes, and size of controls connected to the module output. **Refer to Section 690 of the National Electrical Code (NEC) for an additional multiplying factor of 1.25, which may be applicable.**
- The current output for the modules shown in the SPECIFICATIONS section is measured at Standard Test Conditions. These conditions may not be frequently observed in actual practice.

Mechanical Loading

- HIT Double modules should be mounted at four (4) symmetrical quarter points within the shaded areas (Range A) shown in Figure 4, or any mounting method with a continuous attachment, by which those four points are included in each side.
- The four symmetrical quarter point method offers a maximum loading of 1,440Pa (30PSF) in a static state on the module surface.
Note: This mechanical loading value was tested using the following mounting device:

Provider: AKATSUKI Industries, Ltd.
Part number: PVK-AJ4B

Note: HIT Double modules were tested at 30PSF at UL's testing lab. Modules of exactly the same structure successfully achieved 50PSF load ratings at JET's (Japan Electrical Safety & Environment Technology Laboratories) testing lab, and are certified as fully compliant at 50PSF.

WIRING

- All wiring should be done in accordance with applicable electrical codes.
- Wiring methods should be in accordance with the NEC in the USA or the CEC in Canada.
- A qualified, licensed professional should do all wiring.
- Wiring should be protected to help ensure personal safety and to prevent its damage.
- All modules connected in series should be of the same model number and/or type.
- Do not connect modules in parallel without using a connection box.
- Use caution and design the system in consideration of the increased output power (Pmax) and current (Isc) from the bifacial effect (see Table 1).
- Additional electrical values are provided up to 30% beyond the STC values for accurate system sizing including the bifacial effect.
- If in doubt about the expected power potential from the bifacial effect for your particular site, please use the values stated under the 30% column.

Module Wiring

- The number of modules that can be wired in series is recommended at seven (7) or fewer. If connecting eight (8) modules in series, check local temperature conditions and follow the National Electric Code (690.7) to ensure compliance with maximum voltage limitations. Also, be sure to calculate and account for the bifacial effect of the modules.
- HIT Double modules are not designed for "off-grid" or battery charging systems, because of their operating voltage. Therefore, it is not recommended to use them to charge batteries.
- These modules contain factory installed bypass diodes. If these modules are incorrectly connected to each other, the bypass diodes,

cable, or junction box may be damaged.

Array Wiring

- The term "array" is used to describe the assembly of several modules on a support structure with associated wiring.
- Use copper wire that is sunlight resistant and is insulated to withstand the maximum possible system open circuit voltage.
- Check local codes for requirements.

Earth Ground Wiring

- Grounding should be carried out by attachment to the module or array frame, to avoid the hazards of electric shock or fire.
- The array frame shall be grounded in accordance with NEC Article 250 (USA) or CEC in Canada.
- Each framed module has a 0.16" diameter (4 mm) hole marked "G" in the shorter side frame rail (see Figure 2), to connect a grounding conductor to the module's metal frame.
- Bonding shall be by a positive means, such as clamping, riveting, bolting, screwed connectors, welding, soldering, or brazing.
- The bolt and nut size must be M3 (0.12" diameter (3 mm)).
- Washers are required as part of the grounding connection. A star-washer is required in order to penetrate the coating of the frame in order to ensure a good ground connection between the grounding hardware, lead, and frame.

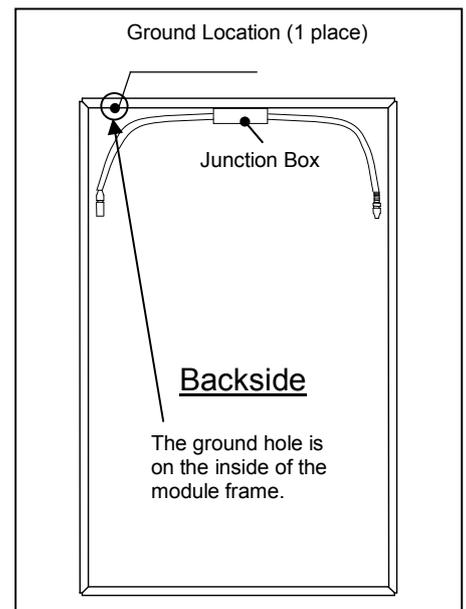


Figure 2. Module Ground Position

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The star-washer's material shall be made of stainless steel in order to avoid corrosion when in contact with other metal types. The size of the star-washer as well as the size of any other washers used will be M3 (0.12" diameter (3mm)). The star-washer shall be placed between the module's metal frame and the grounding conductor.

- The grounding lead size must be greater than 6mm² (No.10 AWG), and its type shall be sunlight-resistant UF cable or USE-2 cable.
- Maximum torque value for the connection must be 2.7 N.m (24 in-lb).

Module Terminations

- A junction box as a terminal enclosure is equipped for electrical connections.
- Modules are equipped with MC3TM plugs as a terminal enclosure. Use these MC3TM plugs for electrical connections.

Junction Box and Terminals

- Modules equipped with one junction box and contain terminals for both positive and negative polarity, and bypass diodes.
- One terminal is dedicated to each polarity; with the polarity symbols engraved onto the body of the junction box (see Figure 3).

Conduit

- For applications where wire conduits are used, follow the applicable codes for outdoor installation of wires in conduits.

- Verify that all fittings are properly installed to protect wires against damage and prevent moisture intrusion.

Bypass Diodes

- When modules in series strings are partially shaded, it may cause reverse voltage across the cells or modules, because the current from other cells in the same series is forced to flow through the shaded area. This may cause undesirable heating to occur.
- The use of a diode to bypass the shaded area can minimize both heating and array current reduction.
- Modules are equipped with four (4) factory installed bypass diodes. The factory-installed diodes provide proper circuit protection for the systems within the specified system voltage, so that you do not need any other additional bypass diodes.

MAINTENANCE

- Some maintenance is recommended to maintain optimal output performance of the HIT Double solar modules.
- When a module's front or back surface becomes dirty, power output is reduced.
- It is recommended to clean the front surface of the module with water and a soft cloth or sponge, twice or more per year. It is recommended to clean the back surface as needed.
- A mild non-abrasive detergent may be applied for persistent dirt.
- It is also recommended to inspect the electrical and mechanical connections annually.
- If you need electrical or mechanical

inspection or maintenance, it is recommended to have a licensed authorized professional carry out the inspection or maintenance to avoid the hazards of electric shock or injury.

For further information, please visit www.sanyo.com/solar or contact your SANYO Authorized Representative.

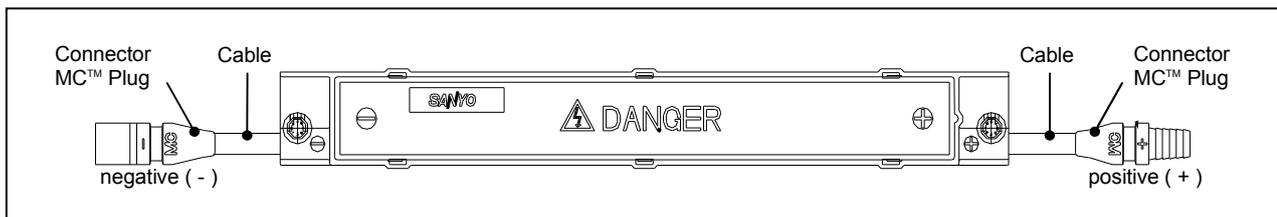


Figure 3. Configuration of Junction Box

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SPECIFICATIONS

HIT Double Series (HIP-xxxDA3)

Specifications

Cell Number in Series [Pieces]	96
Cell Type	HIT* (hybrid of amorphous and monocrystalline silicon)
Maximum System Voltage [V]	600
Bypass Diodes	4 Bypass Diodes
Panel Area	13.06 ft ² (1.21m ²)
Panel Weight	50.7 lbs. (23kg)
Panel Dimensions LxWxH	53.2x35.35x2.36in (1351x898x60mm)
Cable Lengths	39.4in each (1000mm)
Cable Size / Connector Type	No.12 AWG / MC3™ Connectors
Static Wind / Snow Load	50PSF (2400Pa) / 39PSF (1876Pa)
Pallet Dimensions LxWxH	54.3x36x70.1in (1379x912x1781mm)
Full Pallet Quantity / Full Pallet Weight	20pcs / 1014Lbs (460kg)
Quantity per 20', 40', 53' Container	200pcs / 420pcs / 540pcs

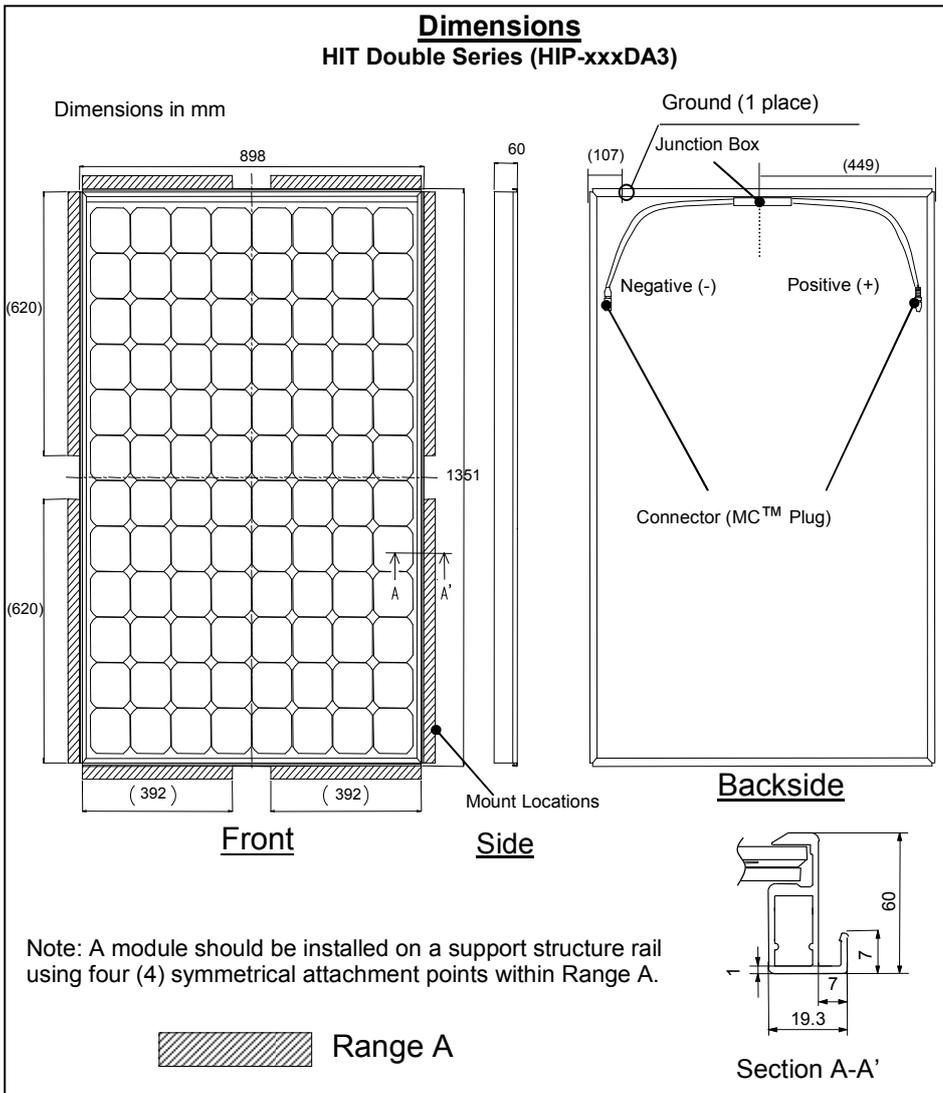


Figure 4. Dimensions

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Electrical Specifications Including Bifacial Effect

Model		Rated	Specifications Including Backside Irradiation Contribution in Isc as a Percent of STC						
			STC ¹	5%	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%
HIT Double 200 (HIP-200DA3)	Maximum Power (Pmax)	W	200	209	219	228	237	246	256
	Maximum Power Voltage (Vpm)	V	56.2	56.3	56.3	56.4	56.4	56.5	56.5
	Maximum Power Current (Ipm)	A	3.56	3.72	3.88	4.04	4.20	4.36	4.52
	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	V	68.8	69.0	69.1	69.2	69.4	69.3	69.6
	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	A	3.75	3.94	4.13	4.31	4.50	4.69	4.88
HIT Double 195 (HIP-195DA3)	Maximum Power (Pmax)	W	195	204	213	222	231	240	249
	Maximum Power Voltage (Vpm)	V	55.8	55.8	55.8	55.9	56.0	56.0	56.1
	Maximum Power Current (Ipm)	A	3.50	3.66	3.82	3.97	4.13	4.29	4.45
	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	V	68.7	68.9	69.0	69.1	69.2	69.2	69.5
	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	A	3.73	3.92	4.10	4.29	4.48	4.66	4.85
HIT Double 190 (HIP-190DA3)	Maximum Power (Pmax)	W	190	199	208	216	225	234	243
	Maximum Power Voltage (Vpm)	V	55.3	55.3	55.4	55.4	55.5	55.5	55.6
	Maximum Power Current (Ipm)	A	3.44	3.60	3.75	3.91	4.06	4.22	4.37
	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	V	68.1	68.3	68.4	68.5	68.6	68.6	68.8
	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	A	3.70	3.89	4.07	4.26	4.44	4.63	4.81
HIT Double 186 (HIP-186DA3)	Maximum Power (Pmax)	W	186	195	203	212	220	229	238
	Maximum Power Voltage (Vpm)	V	54.8	54.8	54.8	54.9	54.9	55.0	55.1
	Maximum Power Current (Ipm)	A	3.40	3.55	3.71	3.86	4.01	4.16	4.32
	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	V	67.5	67.7	67.8	67.9	68.0	68.0	68.2
	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	A	3.68	3.86	4.05	4.23	4.42	4.60	4.78
HIT Double 180 (HIP-180DA3)	Maximum Power (Pmax)	W	180	188	197	205	213	222	230
	Maximum Power Voltage (Vpm)	V	54.4	54.4	54.5	54.5	54.6	54.6	54.6
	Maximum Power Current (Ipm)	A	3.31	3.46	3.61	3.76	3.91	4.06	4.21
	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	V	67.0	67.2	67.3	67.4	67.5	67.5	67.7
	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	A	3.62	3.80	3.98	4.16	4.34	4.53	4.71

¹STC: Cell Temp. 25°C, AM1.5, 1000W/m²

Table 1. Specifications Including Bifacial Effect

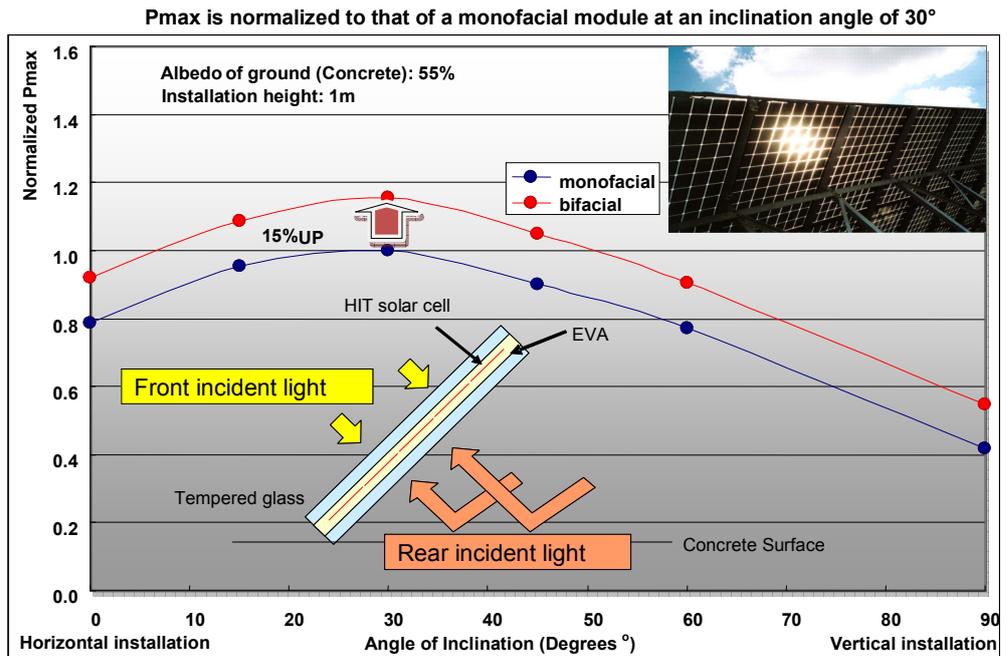


Figure 5. Installation angles and output changes.