

**Article title:** An explicit  $J$ - $V$  model of a solar cell for simple fill factor calculation

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**Abstract:** The  $J$ - $V$  equation of a solar cell is implicit and requires iterative calculation to determine the fill factor and the maximum power point. Here an explicit model for  $J$ - $V$  characteristic is proposed which is applicable to a large variety of solar cell. This model allows an easy estimation of fill factor from four simple measurements of the bias points corresponding to  $V_{oc}$ ,  $J_{sc}$ , and any two voltage values lying between 0 and  $V_{oc}$ , where  $V_{oc}$  is the open circuit voltage and  $J_{sc}$  is the short circuit current density.