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**Functional Thin Films and Surfaces, Room Pacific C,
Session C1-1-WeM, Optical Materials and Thin Films I, Wednesday,
May 24, 2023, C1-1-WeM5 (9:20 - 9:40)**

**High Hall Mobility W-Doped In₂O₃
Conductive Films with Thicknesses of Less Than 10 nm
Deposited on Glass Substrates**

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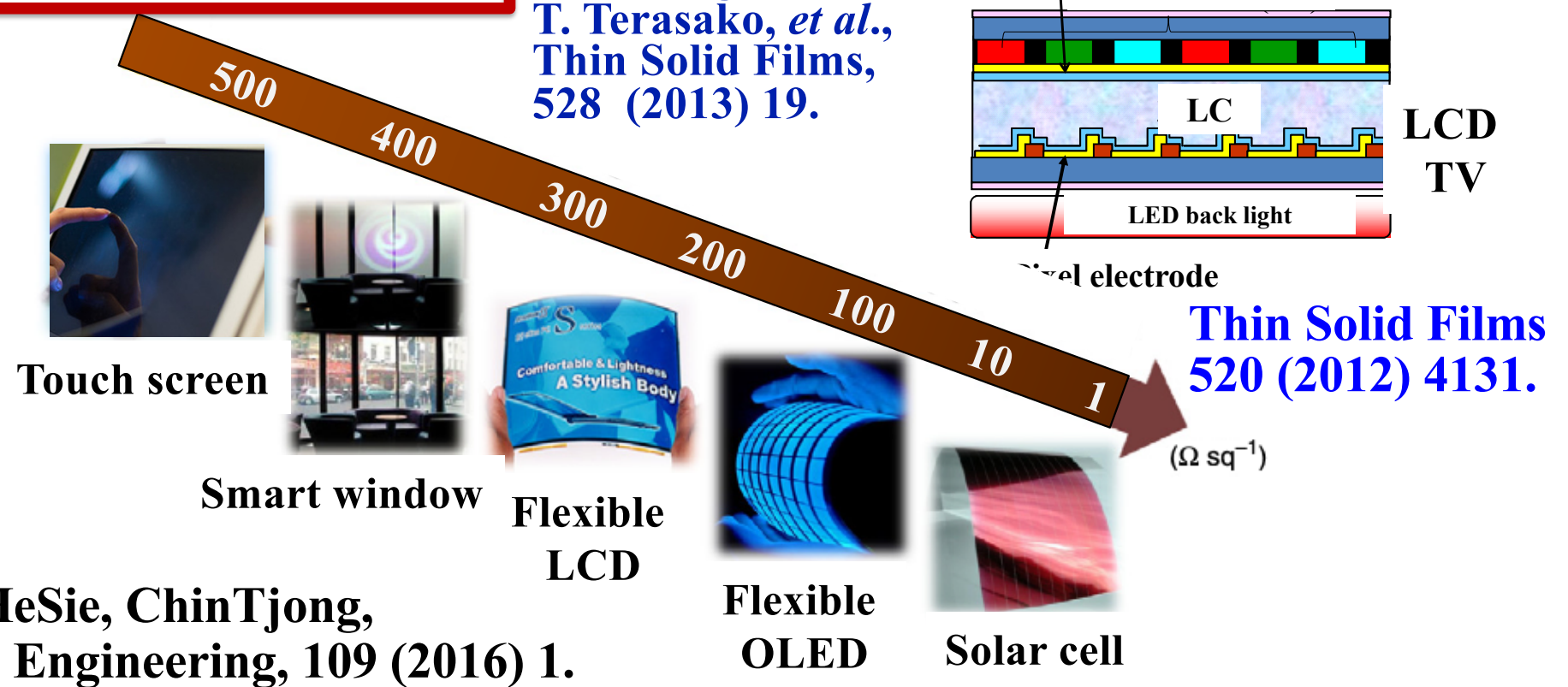
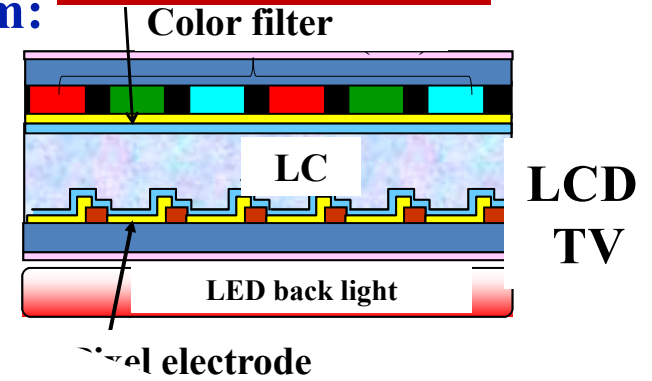
Sheet resistance ranges of transparent conductive films for various applications

$$R_s (\Omega \text{ sq}^{-1}) = \rho / t \text{ (thickness)} \propto 1/t \cdot 1/(n_e \mu_H)$$

Note: t of more than 100 nm

Scattering mechanism:
T. Terasako, *et al.*,
Thin Solid Films,
528 (2013) 19.

**Common electrode:
 $R_s < 30 \Omega/\text{Sq. @ 150nm}$**



**Thin Solid Films
520 (2012) 4131.**

**Linxiang HeSie, ChinTjong,
Mater. Sci. Engineering, 109 (2016) 1.**

For wide applications, to develop a low-temperature process with Solid Phase Crystallization

Firstly, *n*-type doped **amorphous (*a*-)** In₂O₃ films deposited on glass substrates at room temperature.

Then, the ***a*-films** are annealed at temperatures ranging from 150 to 300 °C for 30 min in air or under vacuum condition, to achieve high Hall mobility **transparent conductive polycrystalline** In₂O₃ films.

Ce-doped In₂O₃: thickness was 100 nm.

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W-doped In₂O₃: thicknesses range from 5 to 50 nm.

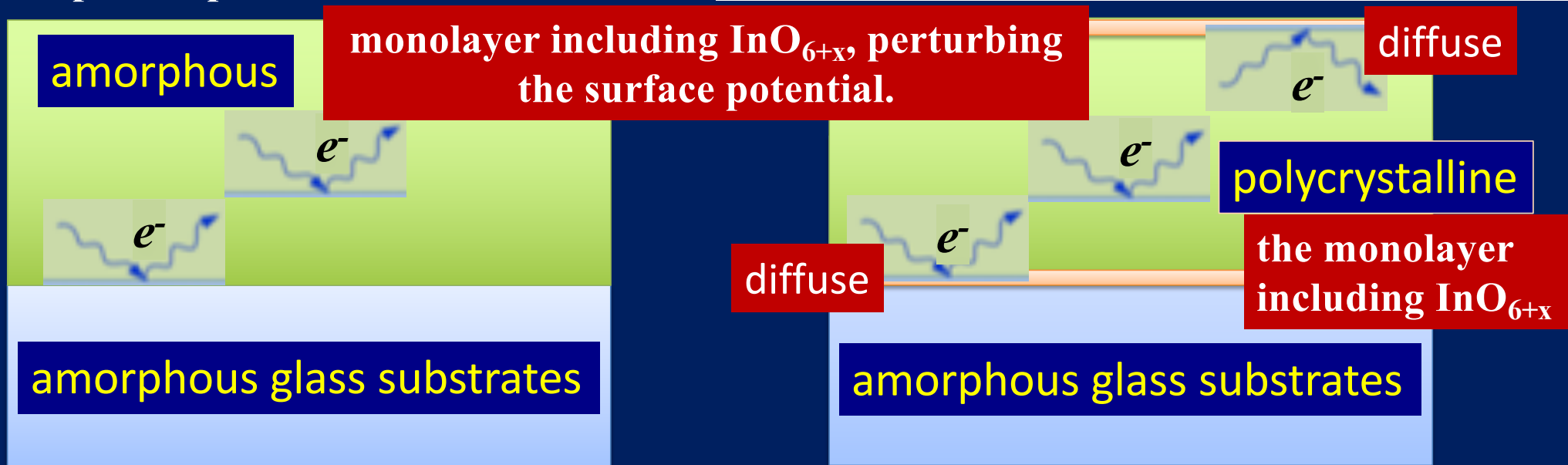
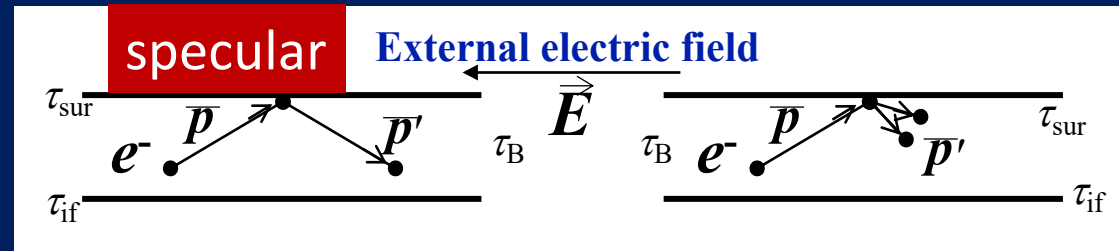
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What determines carrier transport ?

before/after solid phase crystallization

Diffuse scattering causes randomization of the electron momentum while **specular scattering** conserves the electron momentum component parallel to the surface.



Conclusions

We successfully achieved *p*-IWO films showing a high μ_{H} with the under-vacuum solid-phase crystallization of *a*-IWO films on glass substrates.

issue: to mitigate the carrier transport bottleneck by facilitating specular electron interface scattering

For ultra-thin IWO films, a **diffuse scattering** mechanism at the surfaces and film/substrate interfaces would cause a **reduction in μ_{H}** ; the presence of excess O atoms in the vicinity of the surfaces and near the film/substrate interfaces **may be a factor limiting μ_{H}** .