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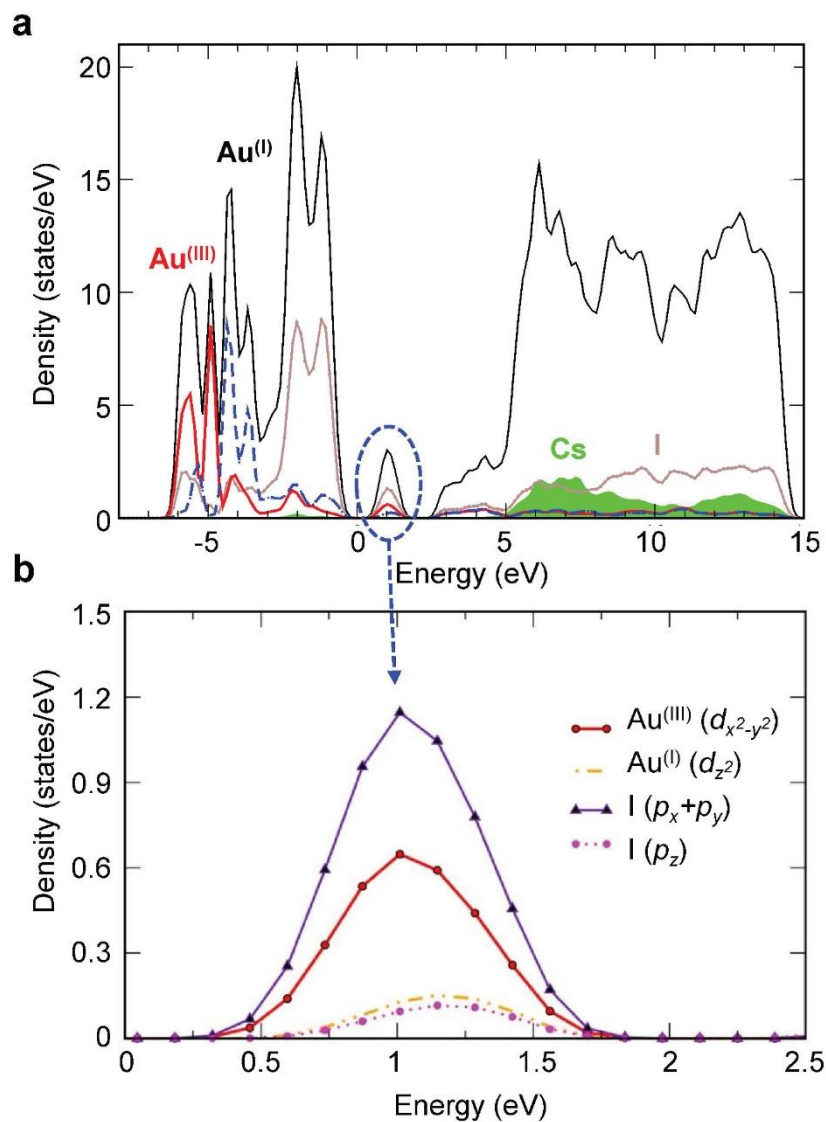


Figure S1. (a) Total and atomic partial density of states (DOS) of the $\text{Cs}_2\text{Au}_2\text{I}_6$ structure. The Fermi level is set at zero energy. (b) Partial DOS of the intermediate band (IB) is magnified. IB mostly consists of $d_{x^2-y^2}$ orbital of Au^{III} and p_{xy} orbital of I, implying the dominant contribution from the trivalent $\text{Au}^{\text{III}}\text{-I}_4$ unit.

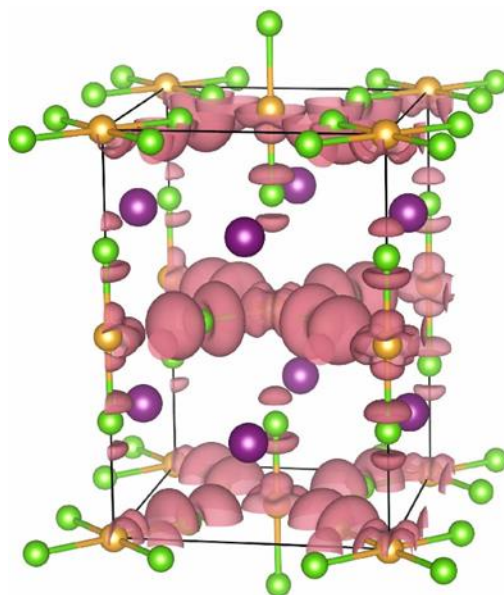


Figure S2. Real-space visualization of the intermediate band (IB) of the $\text{Cs}_2\text{Au}_2\text{I}_6$ structure. Charge density isosurface is shown with the isovalue of 0.0012 e/Bohr^3 .

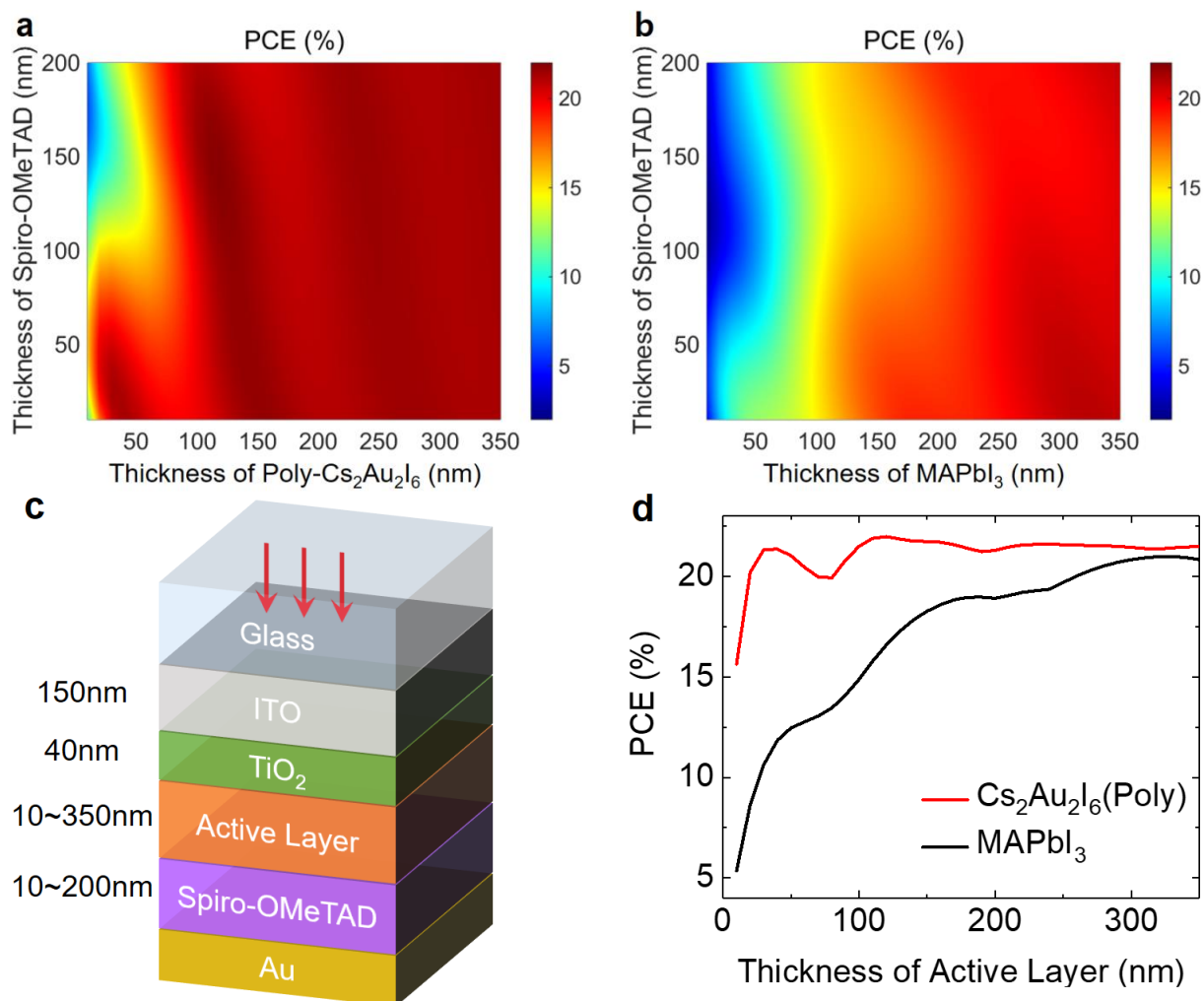


Figure S3. Dependence of photoconversion efficiency (PCE) on the thickness of Spiro-OMeTAD and the active layer of solar cell device based on (a) poly- $\text{Cs}_2\text{Au}_2\text{I}_6$ and (b) MAPbI_3 . (c) Schematic of full solar cell device structure (Glass / ITO(150nm) / TiO_2 (40nm) / Active layer(10~350nm) / Spiro-OMeTAD(10~200nm) / Au). (d) PCE of optimized structure with varying active layer thickness.

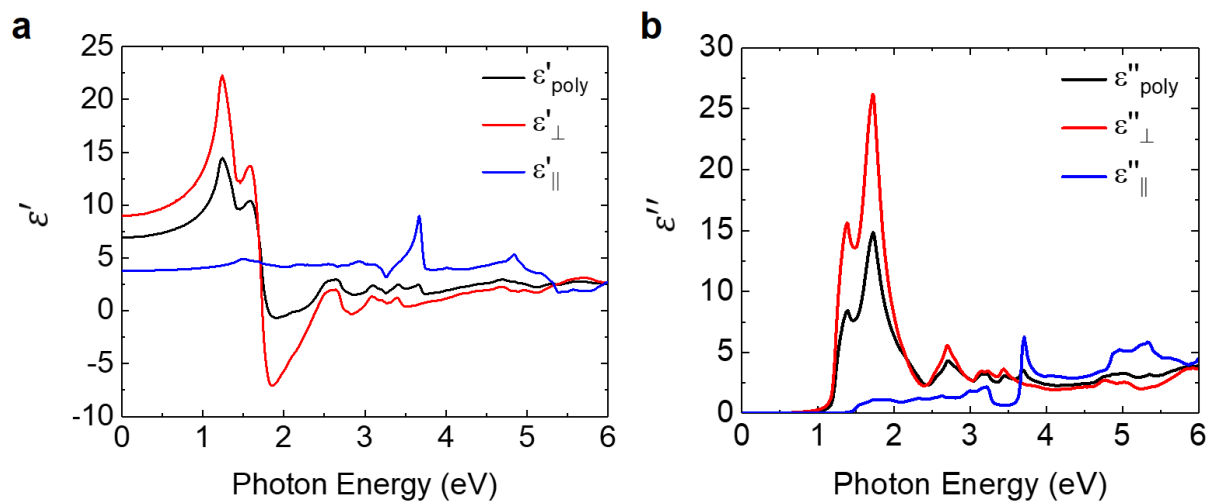


Figure S4. Real (a) and imaginary (b) part of electric permittivity of single (red curve for $E \perp c$ and blue curve for $E \parallel c$) and poly (black curve) crystalline $\text{Cs}_2\text{Au}_2\text{I}_6$ as functions of photon energy. PBE calculated ϵ'' is shifted by 0.42 eV (reproducing HSE bandgap of 1.21 eV), which is utilized to obtain ϵ' by using Kramers-Kronig transform.

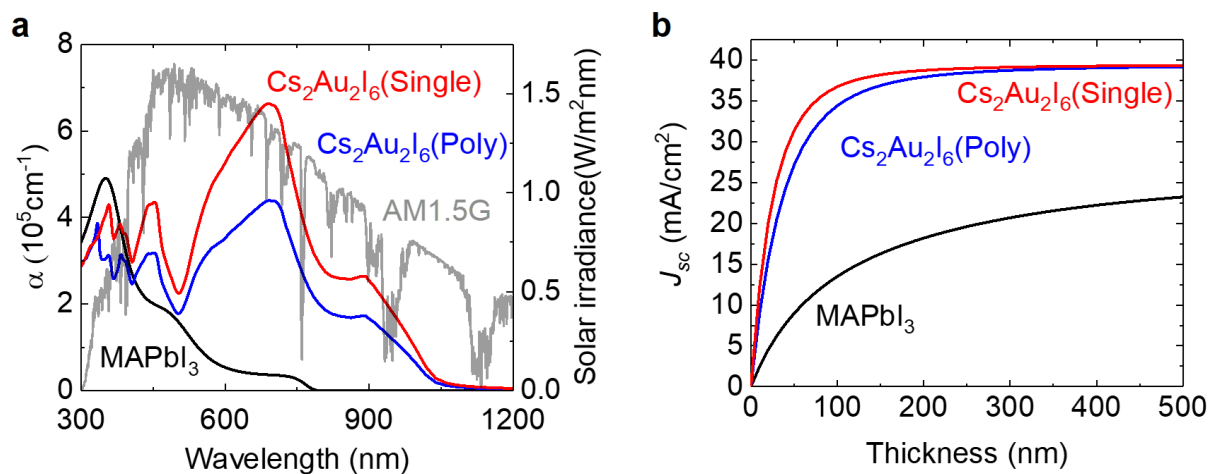


Figure S5. ϵ' and ϵ'' values shown in Figure S4 are used to obtain (a) absorption spectrum of MAPbI₃, poly-Cs₂Au₂I₆, and single-Cs₂Au₂I₆ which are indicated by black, blue and red line respectively, and (b) estimated short circuit current density (J_{sc}), assuming single-path absorption.

TABLE I. DFT optimized lattice constants (a , c), cell volume (V), and inter-atomic distances of the $\text{Cs}_2\text{Au}_2\text{I}_6$, calculated using PBE. For the comparison, the corresponding experimental values are also listed. All distances are in Å and volumes are in Å³.

	This work	Exp. ^a
a	8.39	8.284
c	12.34	12.092
V	869.04	829.8
Au ^{III} -I	2.703	2.646
Au ^I -I	2.625	2.586

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