

## Supporting information

### pyro-photo-electric catalysis and photoelectrochemical measurements

To evaluate how the interface affects pyro-photo-electrical catalysis performance, the process is studied in the three-electrode system with a 0.5 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> electrolyte solution at a scan rate of 0.1 V s<sup>-1</sup>. In the three-electrode system, the temperature change ( $\Delta T = 20^{\circ}\text{C} - 50^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is achieved by water bath method, two different temperature baths of 20°C and 50°C are prepared for accelerating the heating and cooling the electrolyte. Fig. S4 gives an ideal temperature change curve, the scanning rate of the electrochemical workstation is determined by the rate of temperature change set by the curve. The Light conditions achieved with a 300 W xenon lamp equipped with an AM 1.5 G filter (100 mW·cm<sup>-2</sup>). The Platinum wire is used as an auxiliary electrode, Ag/AgCl is used as a reference electrode, FTO with a coating area of approximately 1 cm<sup>2</sup> is used as the working electrode. The mechanism diagram of the catalysis process and the energy band structure diagram of heterojunctions are shown in Fig. S5. The relationship between potential and reversible hydrogen electrode (RHE) is calculated by Nernst equation (1):<sup>1</sup>

$$E_{\text{RHE}} = E_{\text{Ag/AgCl}} + 0.0591 \text{ pH} + 0.1976 \text{ V} \quad (1)$$

ABPE is calculated by equation (2). Where  $J$  means photocurrent density (mA/cm<sup>2</sup>),  $V_{\text{RHE}}$  is the correlation of potential and RHE, and incident light irradiance (mW/cm<sup>2</sup>) is expressed by  $P_{\text{light}}$ .<sup>2</sup>

$$\text{ABPE} = \frac{J_{\text{Ph}} (1.23 - V_{\text{RHE}})}{P_{\text{light}}} \quad (2)$$

The IPCE of samples can be directly characterized by equation (3). Where  $\lambda$  means incident light wavelength (nm).  $P_{\text{light}}$  indicates the incident monochromatic light intensity (mW/cm<sup>2</sup>), and  $\lambda$  represents wavelength (nm).<sup>3</sup>

$$\text{IPCE} = \frac{1240J}{\lambda P_{\text{light}}} \quad (3)$$

$V_{\text{fb}}$ ,  $N_d$  and  $W_{\text{dep}}$  are calculated by the equation (4-6). Where  $C$  means the space charge capacitance ( $1.602 \times 10^{-19}$  C),  $K_B$  represents Boltzmann constant ( $1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  J/K),  $T$  indicates Kelvin temperature,  $\epsilon$  and  $\epsilon_0$  are the relative permittivities ( $8.834 \times 10^{-12}$  F/m) and the permittivity of vacuum (300) of CdS,  $e$  represents elementary charge and  $A$  is coated electrode area, the bias voltage applied to the electrodes is expressed by

$$1/c^2 = \frac{2(V - V_{fb} - \frac{K_B T}{e})}{\epsilon\epsilon_0 e A^2 N_d} \quad (4)$$

$$N_d = \frac{2}{\epsilon\epsilon_0 e} \left[ \frac{d(\frac{1}{c^2})}{dV} \right]^{-1} \quad (5)$$

$$W_{dep} = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon\epsilon_0(V - V_{fb})}{qN_d}} \quad (6)$$

The  $\eta_{bulk}$  and  $\eta_{surface}$  of the working electrodes are computed according to the equations below:<sup>7</sup>

$$J_{H_2O} = J_{abs} \times \eta_{bulk} \times \eta_{surface} \quad (7)$$

$J_{H_2O}$  stands for photocurrent density, and  $J_{abs}$  refers to photon absorption represented by current density (100 % photocurrent of APCE is assumed). After adding 0.25 M  $Na_2SO_3$  as the hole scavenger in 0.5 M  $Na_2SO_4$ , surface recombination of carriers is inhibited, and  $\eta_{surface}$  can be considered for 100 %. Therefore, in the case of hole scavenger addition, the photocurrent density is decided by equation (8).<sup>2</sup>

$$J_{Na_2SO_3} = J_{abs} \times \eta_{bulk} \quad (8)$$

So, the  $\eta_{bulk}$  and  $\eta_{surface}$  are calculated by equations (9) and (10):

$$\eta_{bulk} = J_{Na_2SO_3}/J_{abs} \quad (9)$$

$$\eta_{surface} = J_{H_2O}/J_{Na_2SO_3} \quad (10)$$

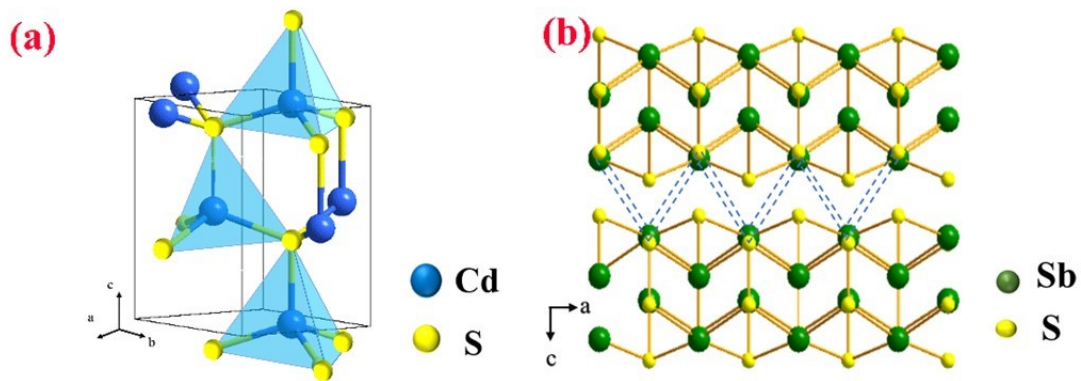


Fig. S1 The asymmetric crystal structure of CdS(a) and Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>(b)

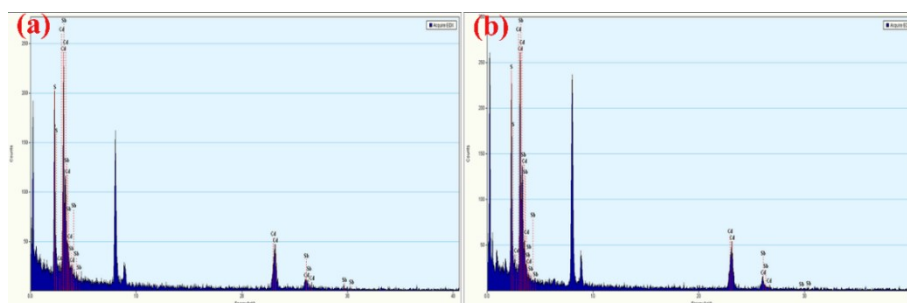


Fig. S2 EDS image of H-CdS/Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>(a), and I-CdS/Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>(b)

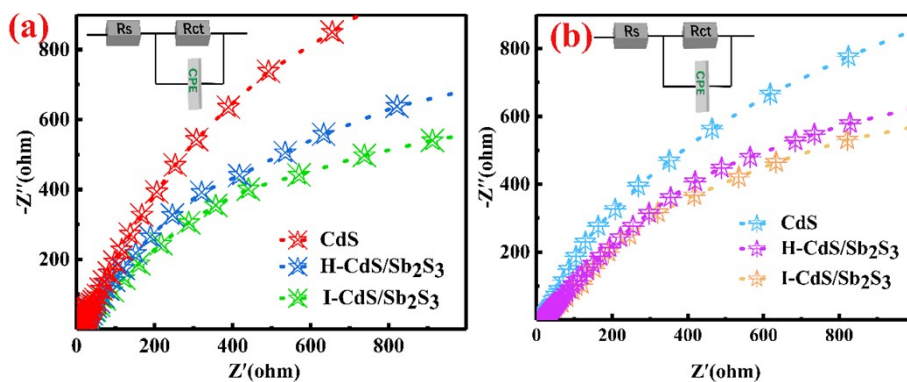


Fig.S3 EIS of different photoanode samples under the photoelectric catalysis (a), pyro-photo-electric catalysis(b)

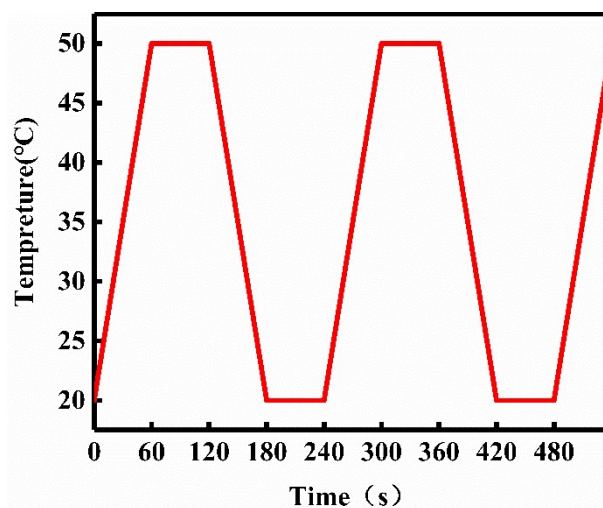


Fig.S4 The ideal temperature curve for cold-hot thermal cycles

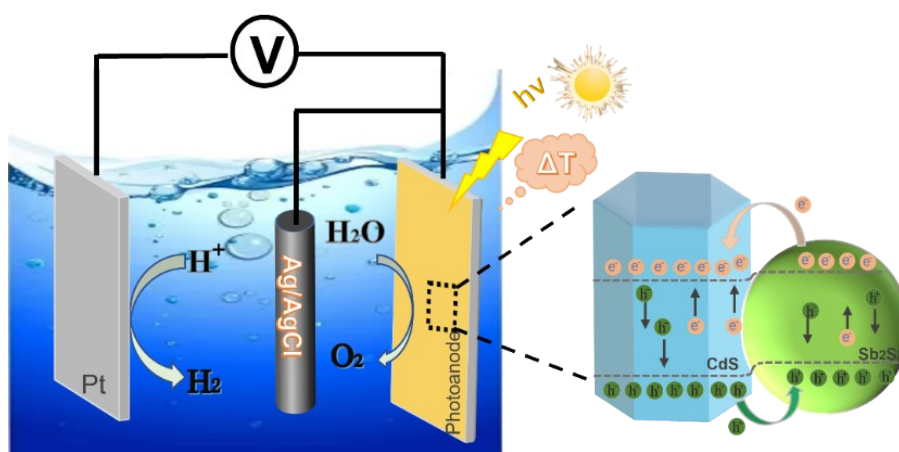


Fig. S5 Mechanism diagram of CdS/Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> heterojunctions

Tab. S1 Flat band potential ( $V_{fb}$ ) and donor density ( $N_d$ ) of electrodes deduced from Mott-Schottky

Sample	Condition	Light		Light+ $\Delta T$	
		$V_{fb}$ (V vs RHE)	$N_d$ (cm <sup>-3</sup> )	$V_{fb}$ (V vs RHE)	$N_d$ (cm <sup>-3</sup> )
CdS		0.29	$9.20 \times 10^{15}$	0.24	$8.16 \times 10^{16}$
H-CdS/Sb <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub>		0.16	$4.70 \times 10^{16}$	-0.21	$5.52 \times 10^{17}$
I-CdS/Sb <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub>		0.10	$2.04 \times 10^{17}$	-0.34	$8.85 \times 10^{17}$

Tab. S2  $W_{dep}$  of electrodes deduced from Mott-Schottky

Sample \ Condition	Light	Light+ $\Delta T$
CdS	$2.23 \times 10^{-3}$ nm	$6.36 \times 10^{-4}$ nm
H-CdS/Sb <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub>	$8.69 \times 10^{-4}$ nm	$2.94 \times 10^{-4}$ nm
I-CdS/Sb <sub>2</sub> S <sub>3</sub>	$4.28 \times 10^{-4}$ nm	$2.43 \times 10^{-4}$ nm

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