

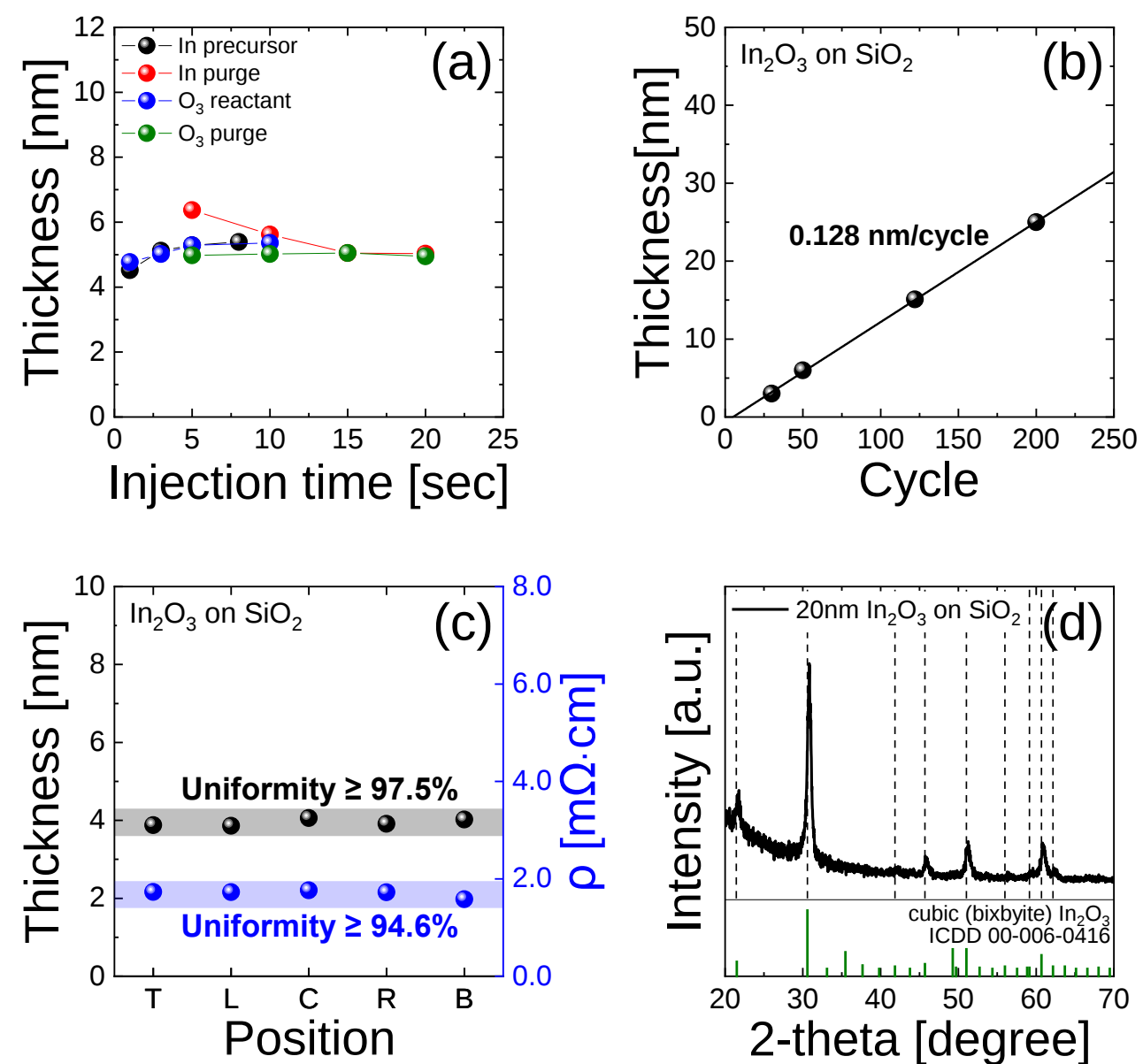


Fig. S1 (a) The saturation behavior of IO thin films as a function of precursor and reactant injection times. The film thickness remains nearly constant beyond a certain injection time (In precursor: 3 s, purge: 10 s, O₃: 5 s, purge: 5 s), indicating the saturation of the atomic layer deposition (ALD) process. (b) Linear relationship between film thickness and the number of ALD cycles, confirming a self-limiting and controlled growth mechanism of IO on SiO₂. (c) Thickness and electrical resistivity uniformity across different positions of the deposited IO films on SiO₂. The measured thickness variation indicates high uniformity, with values exceeding 97.5% measured by ellipsometry, while the resistivity uniformity is maintained above 94.6% measured by 4PP. (d) GIXRD data of a 20 nm-thick IO thin film grown on SiO₂, confirming the cubic bixbyite structure. The observed diffraction peaks match well with the standard reference pattern (ICDD 00-006-0416), indicating the crystalline nature of the deposited film.

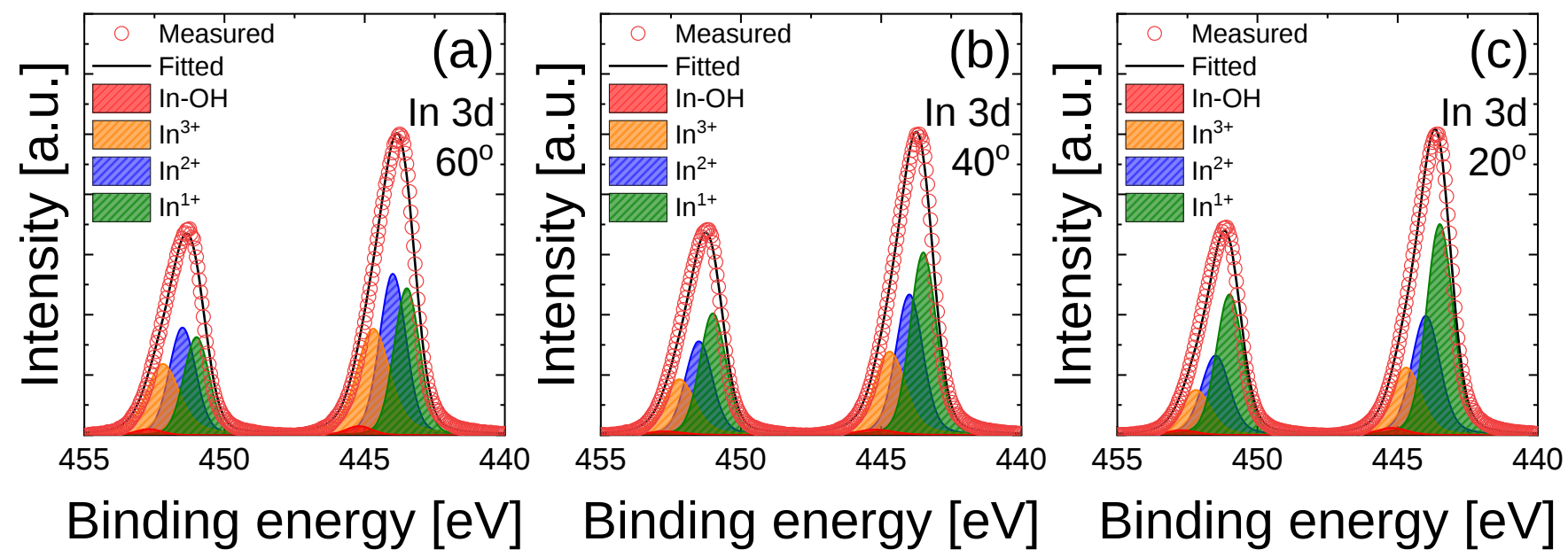
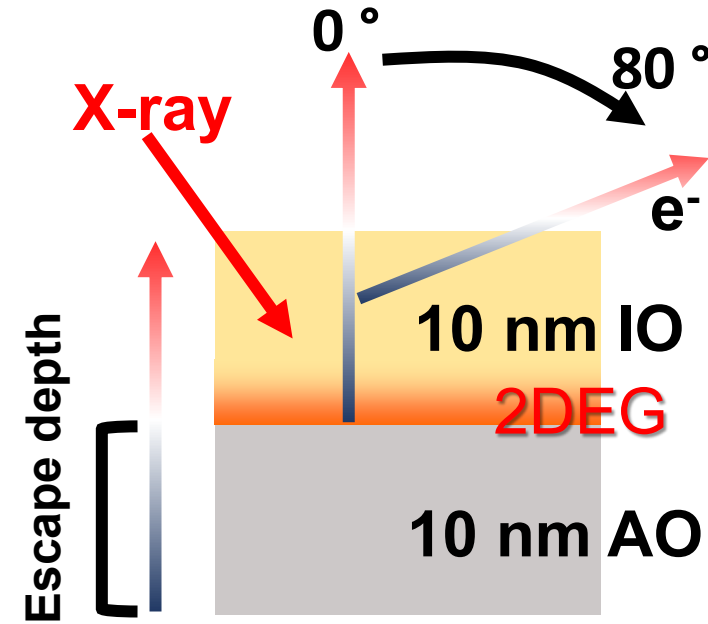


Fig. S2 In 3d ARXPS spectra of a 10 nm IO / 10 nm AO bilayer structure, measured at different stage angles: (a) 60°, (b) 40°, and (c) 20°. The measured spectra are fitted with contributions from different indium oxidation states. As the detection angle decreases the peak intensity corresponding to In³⁺ decreases, whereas the peaks corresponding to In¹⁺ and In²⁺ increase.



The equation is derived from the following assumptions:

- (1) Photoelectron attenuation through the 10 nm-thick IO overlayer.
- (2) The IO bulk is assumed to be stoichiometric

c : X-ray flux density

p : $\text{In}^{1+-2+}/\text{In}^{3+}$ ratio in 2DEG layer

d : 2DEG thickness

λ_{IO} : Inelastic mean free path of photoelectrons in IO

t_{IO} : Total IO thickness (=10nm)

$$\frac{dI}{dt} = p \times c \times \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}} - t}{\lambda \cos \theta}\right)$$

$$I(\text{In}^{1+-2+}) = p \times c \times \int_0^{t_{\text{IO}}-d} \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}-t}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right) dt$$

$$= p \times I_{\text{2DEG}}^{\infty} \times \exp\left(-\frac{d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right) \times [1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}-d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right)]$$

$$I_{\text{2DEG}}^{\infty} = c \times \lambda \times (1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right))$$

$$I(\text{In}^{3+}) = I_{\text{2DEG}}^{\infty} - I(\text{In}^{1+-2+})$$

$$\frac{I(\text{In}^{1+-2+})}{I(\text{In}^{3+})} = \frac{p \times \exp\left(-\frac{d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right) \times [1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}-d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right)]}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right) - p \times \exp\left(-\frac{d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right) \times [1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{IO}}-d}{\lambda_{\text{IO}} \cos \theta}\right)]}$$

Fig. S3 An analytical model was newly adapted to quantitatively estimate the 2DEG thickness. This model uses the ratio of ARXPS intensities from the reduced In^{1+-2+} and fully oxidized (In^{3+}) states as a function of stage angle.

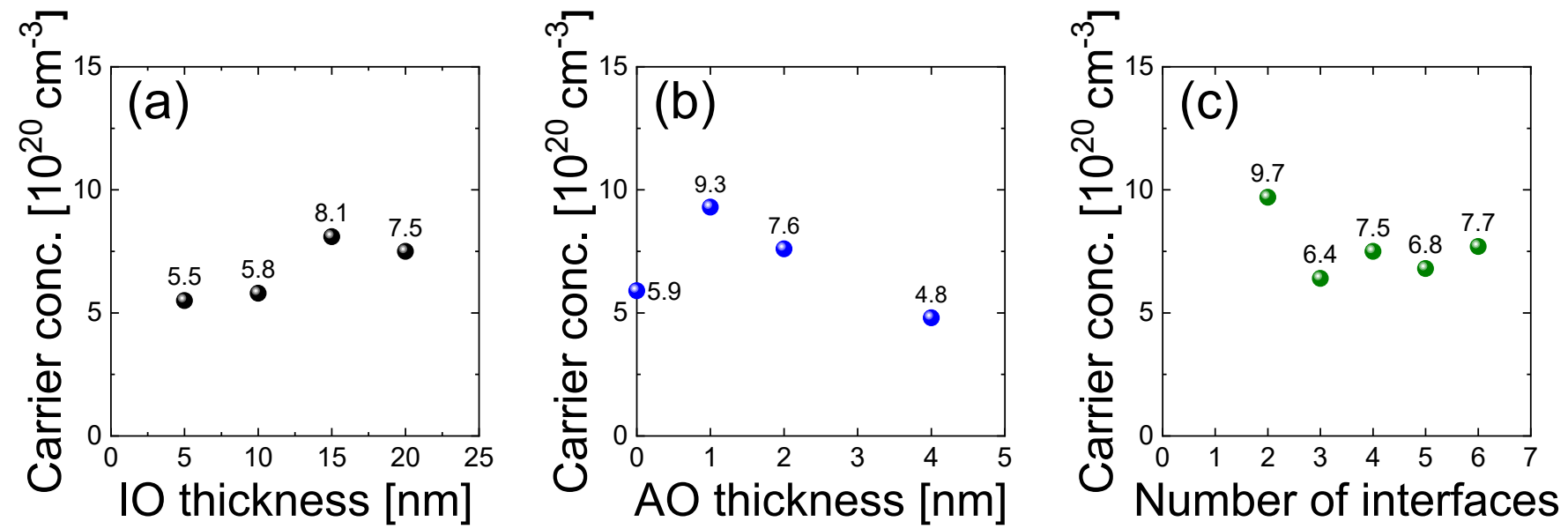


Fig. S4 Bulk carrier concentration of various ALD-structured AO/IO configurations as a function of (a) IO thickness, (b) AO thickness, (c) Number of interfaces. Except for the 4 nm AO sample, all NL structures exhibit higher carrier concentrations than bare IO, highlighting the beneficial role of AO layers and interface in improving carrier transport.