

# WPW 2022 Coupled Power School

## Magnetic developments

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# Overview

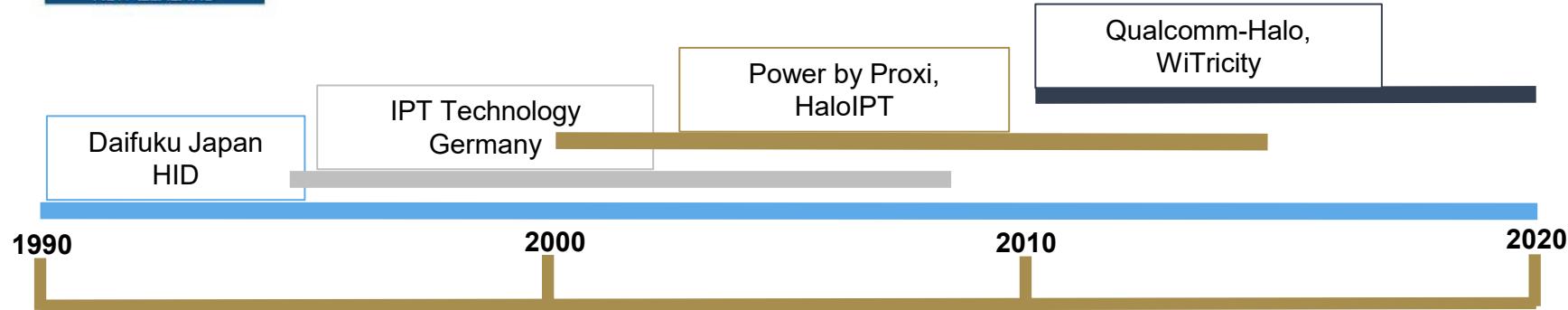
- A Brief History at UoA
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- Industrial Track Systems
- AGV and Robots
- Stationary EV Charging Systems
- Stationary Pad Developments
- SAE Compliance
- Multicoil Systems
- Future Road Systems

# IPT History @ University of Auckland



## Power Electronics and Wireless Power Transfer

Applications in Industrial, Static and Dynamic EV Charging,  
Biomedical Systems, Appliance Electronics, Lighting



35+ PhDs, 10+ postdocs, 100+ Licensed Patent Families

30 Years Resonant WPT

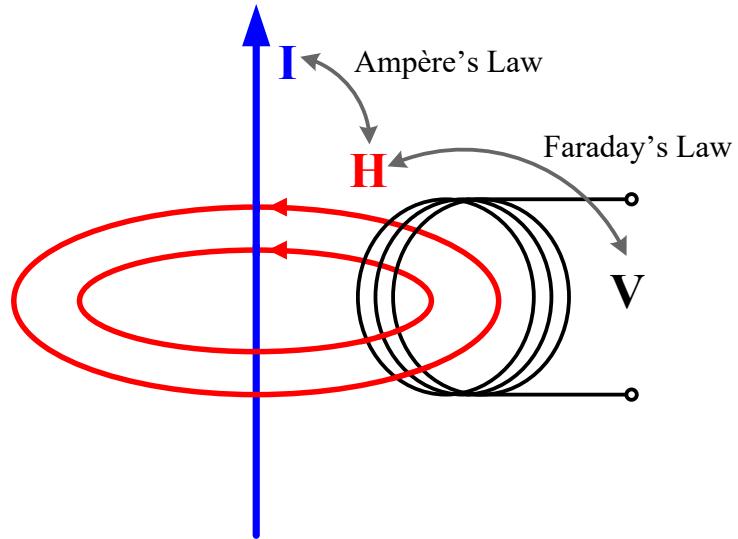
**Terminologies:** Magnetic resonance, Highly resonant, IPT.  
All use high Q coils & resonance for high efficiency at low coupling in the near field!

# Fundamentals & Design goals

Fundamentals  
Tuning & Operating Methodologies

# Fundamentals

- Reliable & convenient
- Tolerant of water, chemicals, and dirt.



$$P_{su} = V_{oc} I_{sc} = \frac{M^2}{L_1 L_2} \omega L_1 I_1^2 = k^2 V_1 I_1$$



# Tuning and Operating Methodologies

Power output when both sides are tuned to resonance:

$V_1$  and  $V_2$  are limited for safety

$I_1$  and  $I_2$  increase power (but also losses)

$$P_{out} = \sqrt{P_{su}V_2I_2} = k\sqrt{VA_1VA_2}$$

Losses in any pad as function of Pad quality

Higher quality indicates a more ideal inductor

$$Q_L = \frac{\omega L}{r_L}$$

$$P_{loss} = \frac{VA_{Pad}}{Q_{L_{Pad}}}$$

## Control Options

Primary side control only:

Secondary side control only:

Primary & secondary side control:

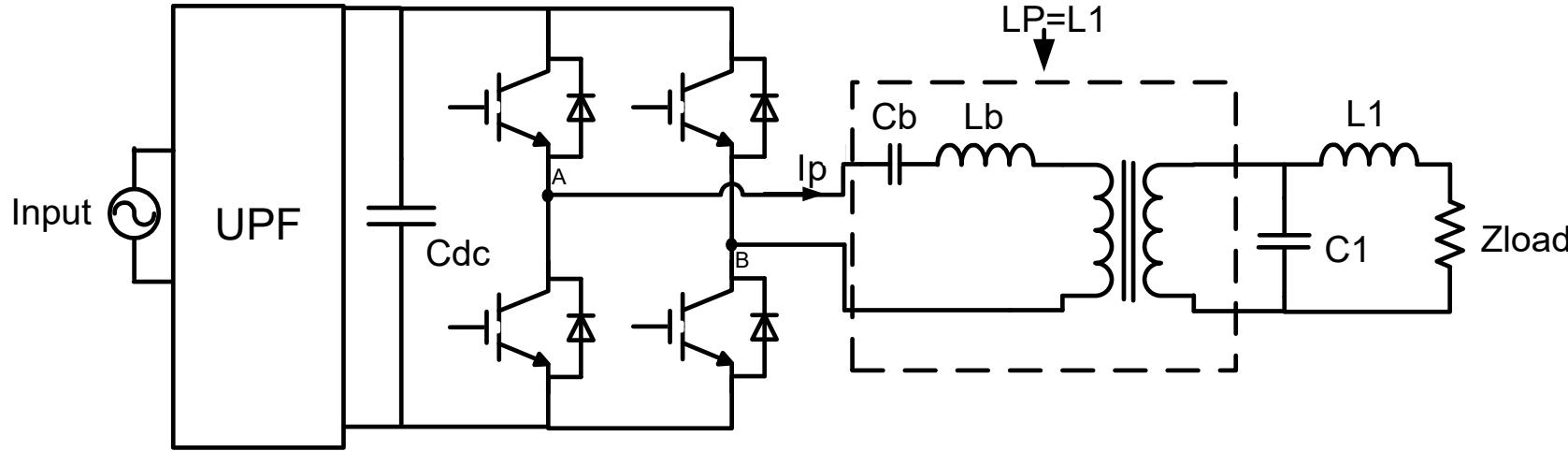
Only  $VA_1$  varied

Only  $VA_2$  varied

Both  $VA_1$  and  $VA_2$  varied to achieve the lowest loss

# Industrial Track Systems

# Fixed Frequency Resonant Supplies

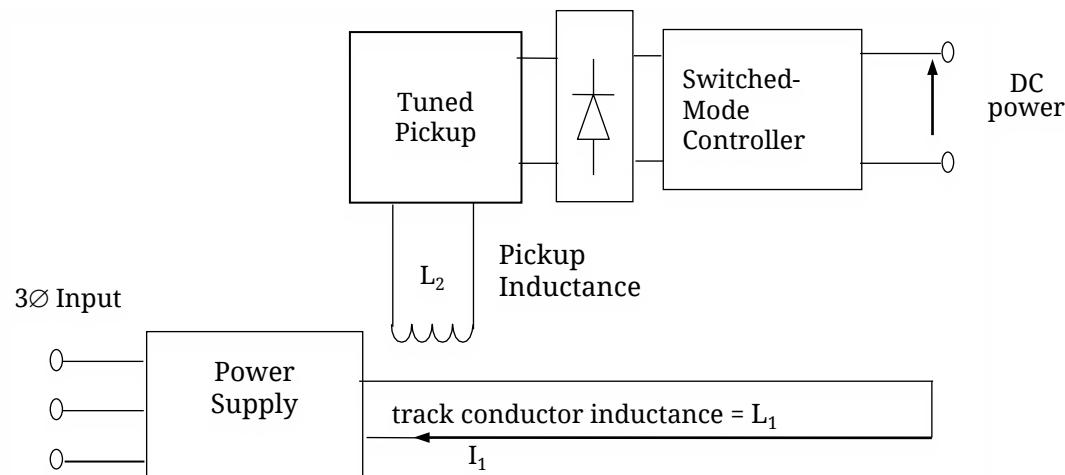


Typical LCL Resonant Track Systems Construction in 1990's

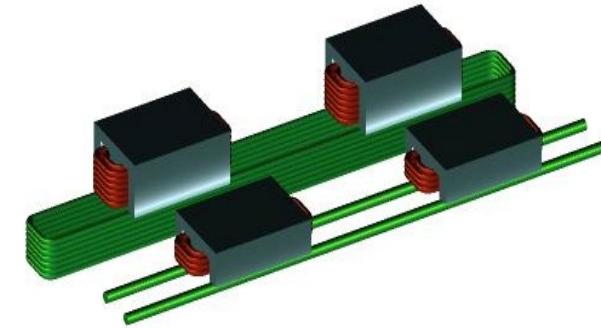
- Added transformer creates isolation and common mode rejection ( $L_p, C_1$ , &  $L_1$  at resonance)
- Long track  $L_1$  constructed using series C's and L's to manage the voltages.
- $V_p$  at the H-Bridge output, naturally produces a controlled current source in  $L_1$
- $Z_{load}$  represents the impedance reflected onto the primary "track" from one or more coupled secondaries under operation.

# IPT Resonant Track Systems

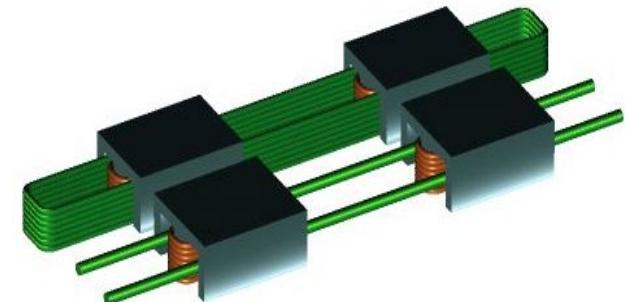
- Early current controlled resonant supply were at 20kHz
  - Often around 20 independent secondaries
  - System efficiency > 80% high under load
  - $k$  to each pickup ~ 0.01-0.03
- Often no primary core ( $Q_{L\text{-track}} \sim 200$ )
- Secondary magnetics has core and is tuned ( $Q_{L\text{-secondary}} \sim 550$  )
- Secondaries move along track and regulate  $VA_2$



Individual  $k$  very low  $< 0.05$

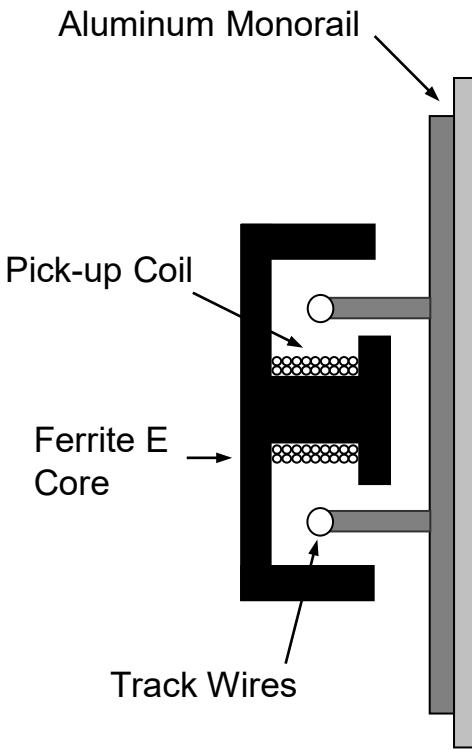


Primary recessed in floor: flat pick-ups



Rail mounted systems: E-core

# Prototype Operation

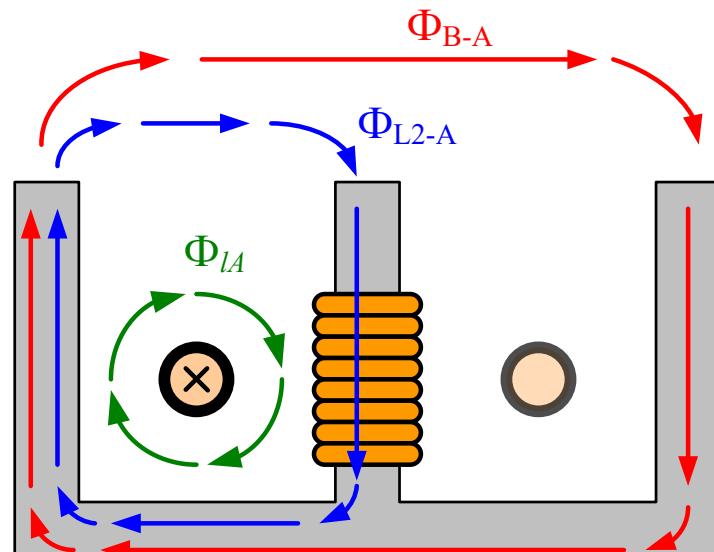


- Allows movement
- Tolerant of misalignment
- Unaffected by the environment

# Improving the Magnetic Design

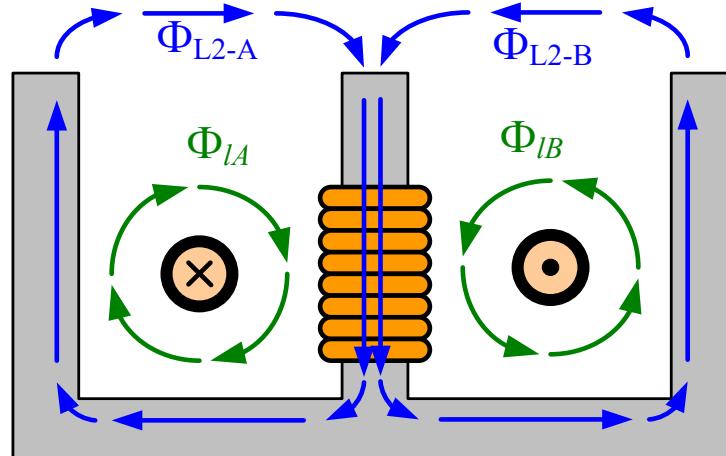
Problem: There is flux cancellation in E-Pick-up

- Evaluate flux paths from the primary coils
- Some of these cannot be measured because they cancelled by the return wire



Track  
Conductor A  
(excited)

Track  
Conductor B  
(not excited)

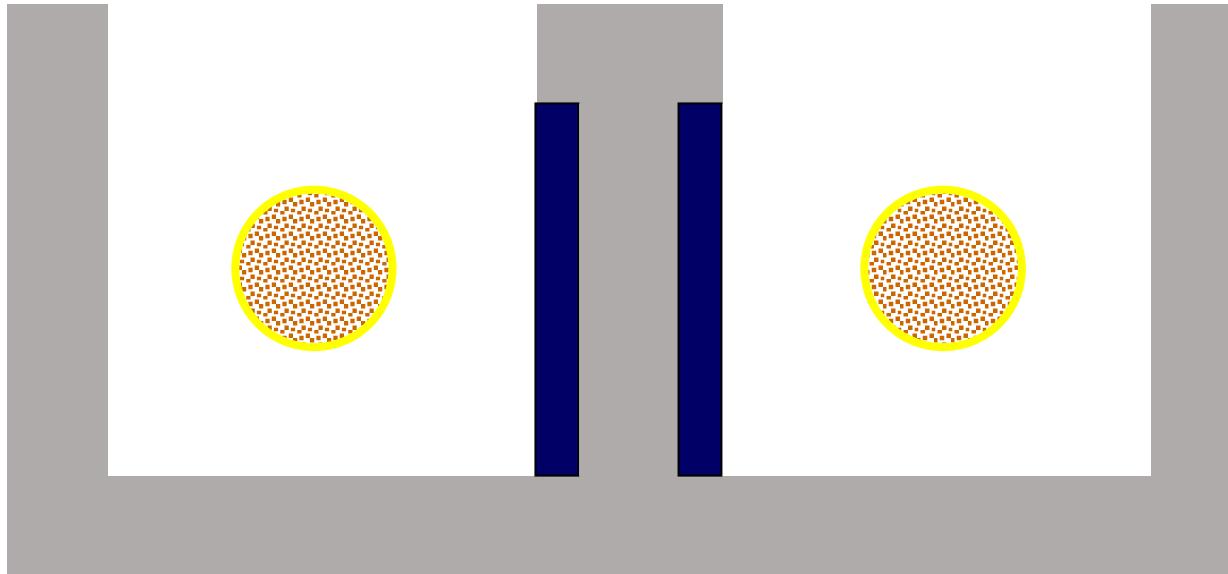


Track  
Conductor A  
(excited)

Track  
Conductor B  
(excited)

# Pickup design: E to S Core

Minimise flux paths that do not couple through the secondary coil



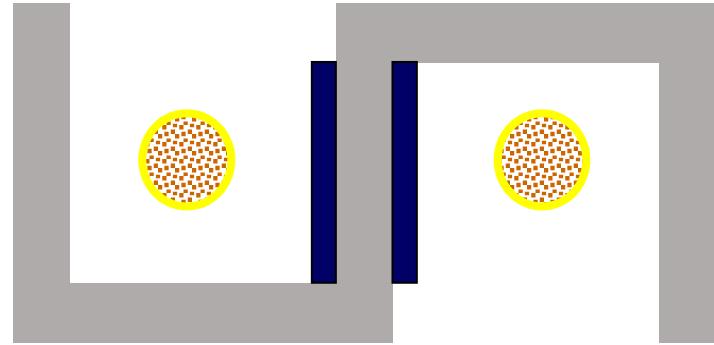
S and E pickups composition:

- Core ~ same ferrite
- Coil is identical

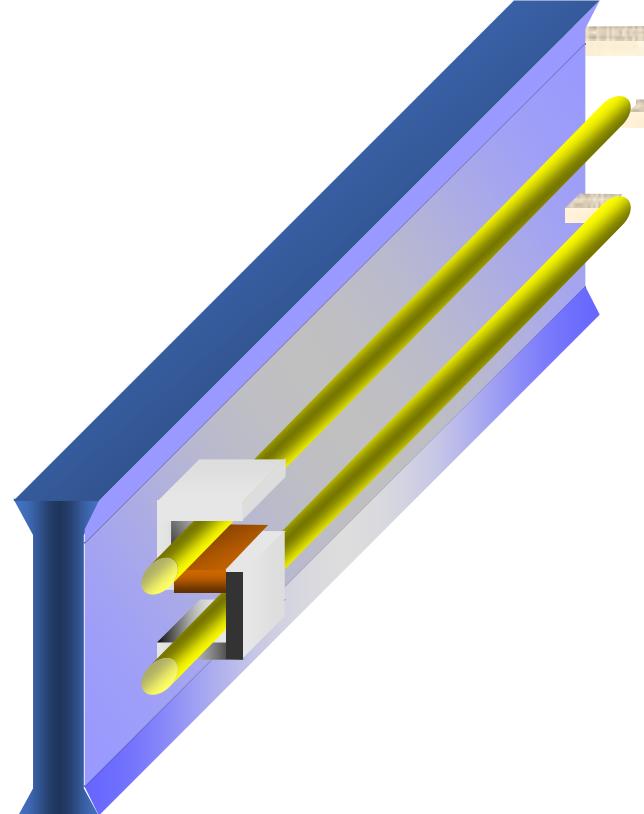
	<b>S-Pickup</b>	<b>E-Pickup</b>
$V_{oc}$ (rms)	35.7 V	20.1 V
$I_{sc}$ (rms)	4.4 A	4.0 A
$P_{su}$	158.5 VA	80.8 VA

# Pickup design: S Core

More power but more difficult to use



S-pickup on ICPT track



# Example Track Systems

# Roadway Lighting

3i Innovation



Tunnel (Wellington NZ)



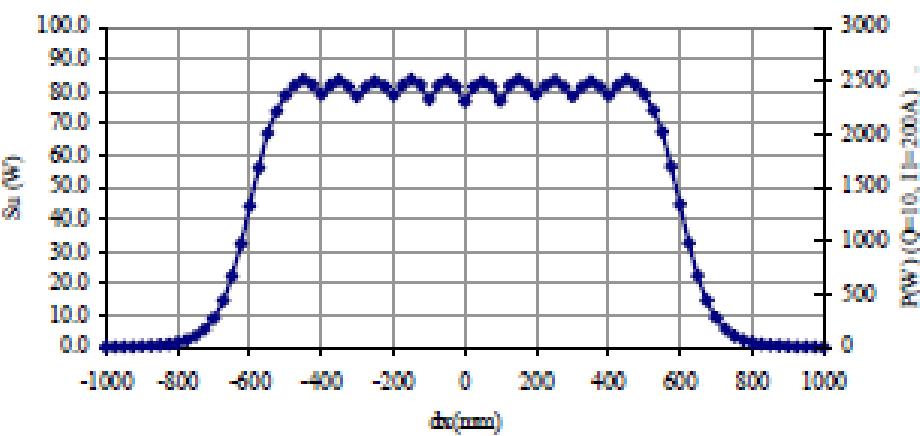
Tunnel (Sydney Australia)



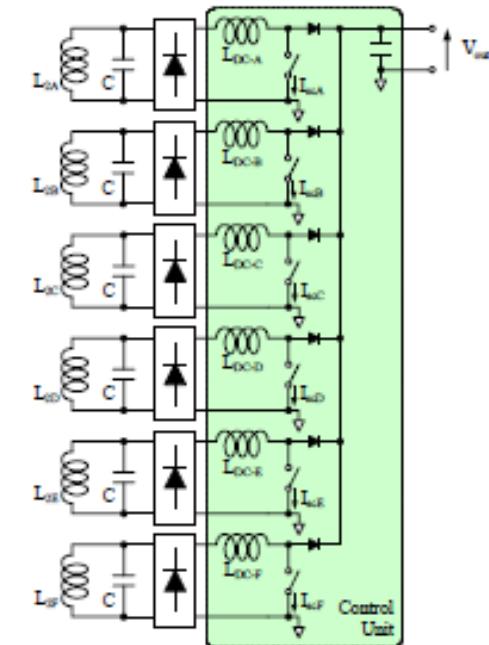
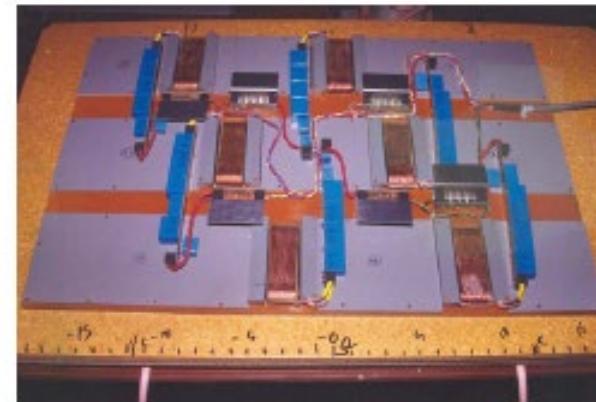
Double left turn (Illinois USA)

# Amusement Rides

- Disney Imagineering project
- Single phase track
- Multiple Pickups
- Wide tolerance

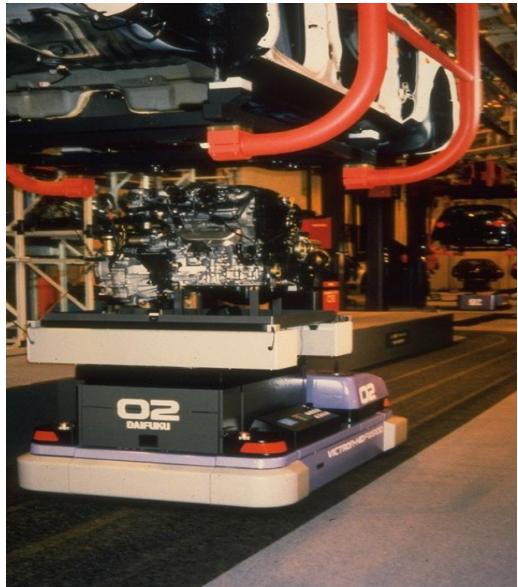


1994 Disney Imagineering



# Factory Automation

Daifuku: Materials Handling (Early 1990's)



# Electronic: Factory Automation

Daifuku: Clean Room Systems (Mid 1990s)



# Automotive: Materials Handling

Conductix-Wampfler (IPT Technology) (Late 1990's)



# Automotive:

## Wampfler: Rail Applications



10kW Pickup



## Japan Public Works Research Institute Test Track for new road pavements

- 1 Vehicle
- 90 kW power
- 165m track length
- Vehicle weight 22 tonne
- Speed 30 km/h



# Sorting:

## Wampfler: Rail Applications



## Paris (Carrefour), London, Italy (Turin)

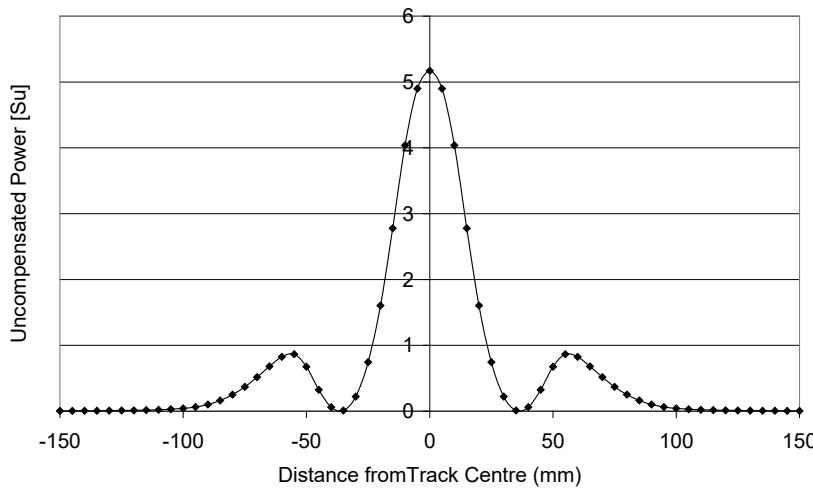
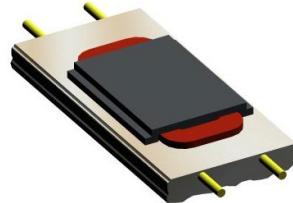
- 4 x 1.5 kW Power (75 or 48Vdc)
- Track Length ~ 210 - 280 m



# AGVs and Robots

Require greater freedom of movement

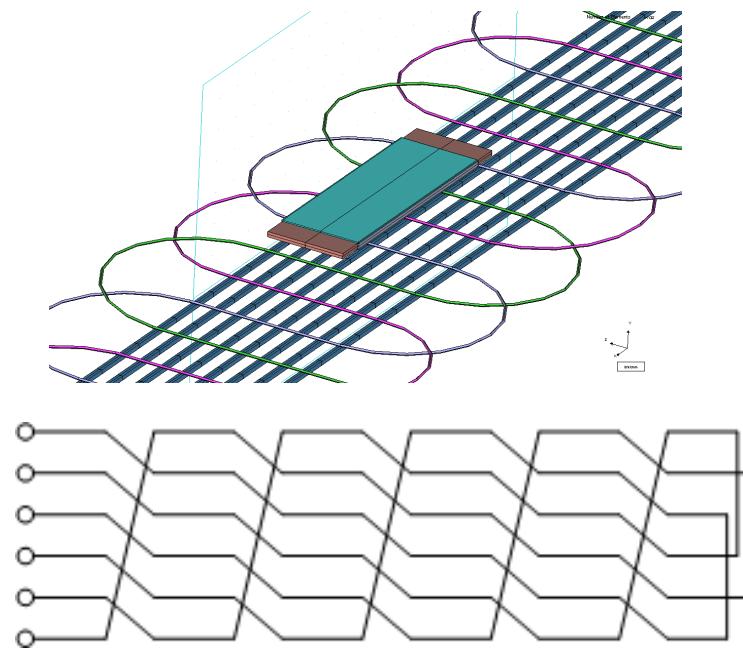
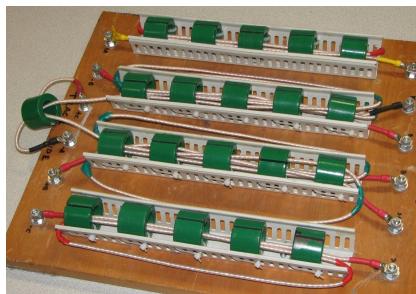
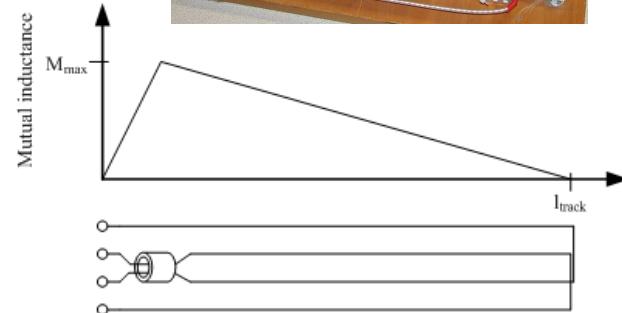
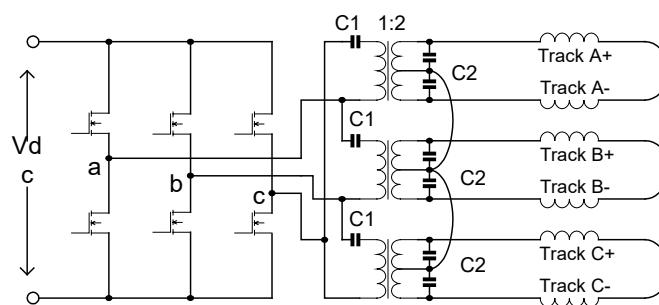
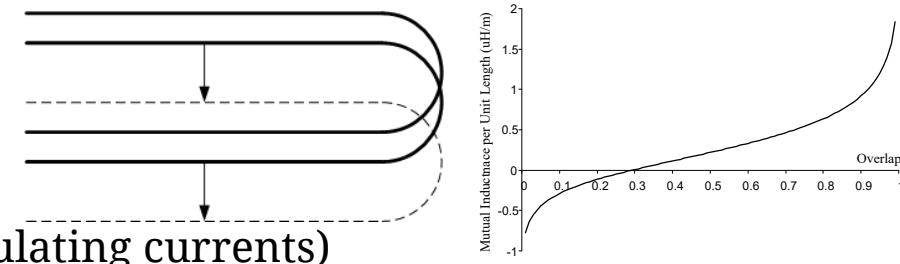
# AGV's and Robots



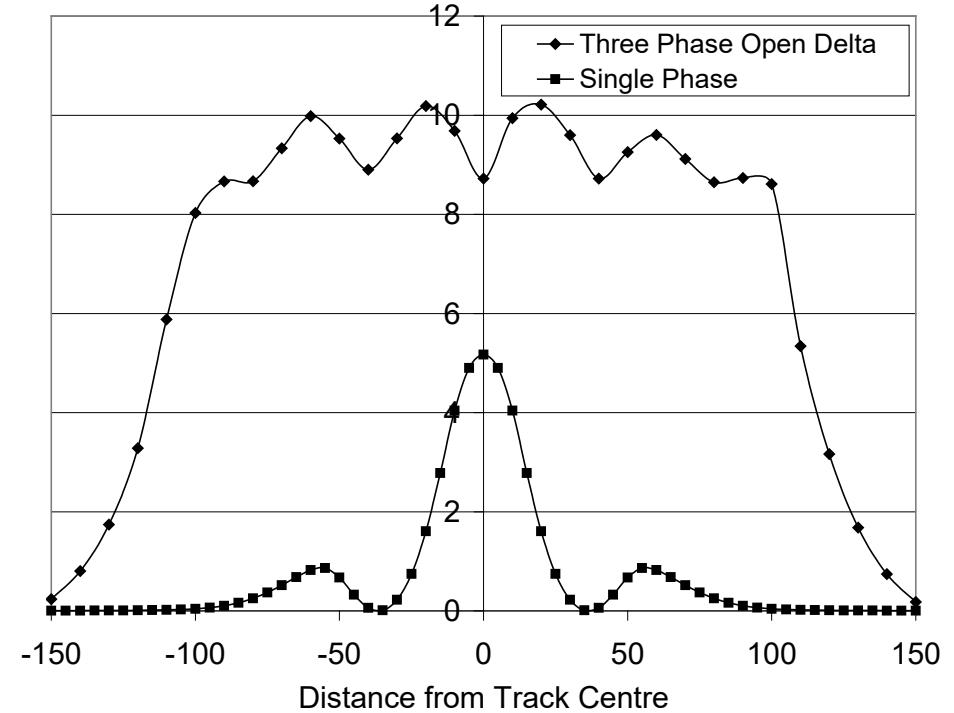
Precision alignment required for power transfer

# Multi-phase Industrial Tracks

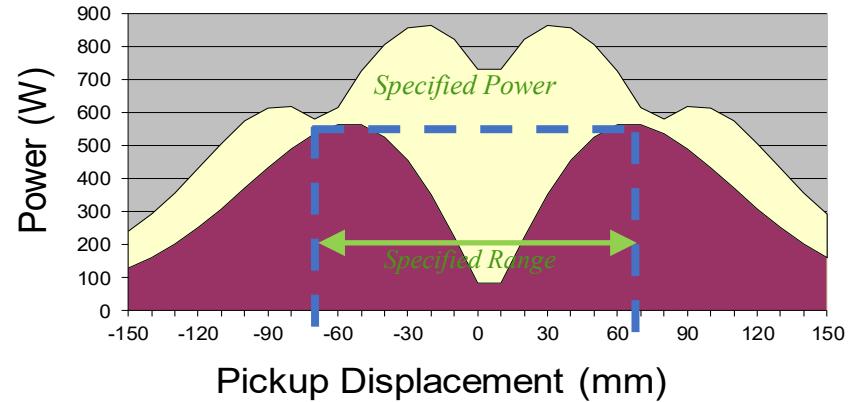
- Multi phase tracks - ferrite less primaries
  - Parallel layout decoupling mutuals only possible for 2 phase
  - Any M couples opposing voltages in nearby tracks
  - Drives unwanted currents back into the common bridge (circulating currents)
- Solutions include moving track loops to minimise M's, cancelling mutuals or balancing them



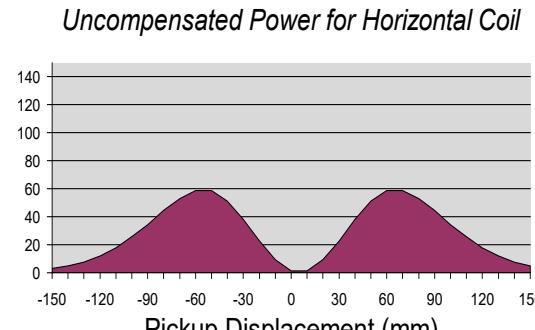
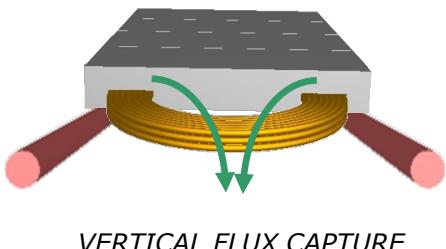
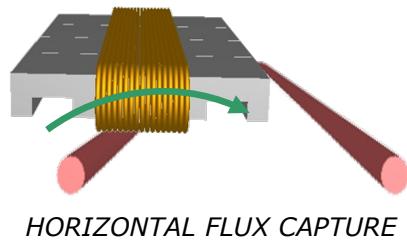
# Multiphase tracks



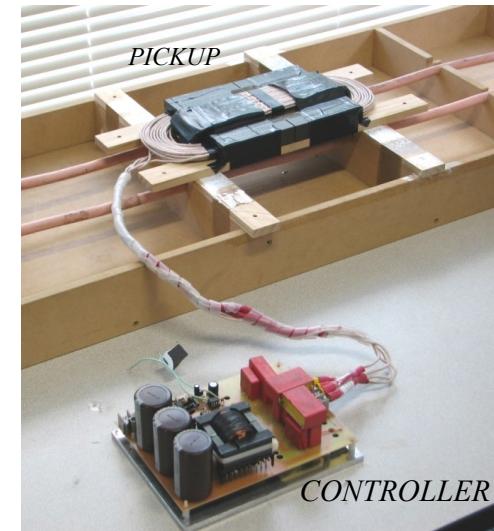
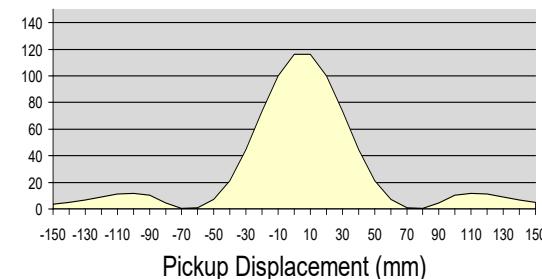
# Single & Multi-coil Pickups



- Vertical + Horizontal
- Horizontal Coil

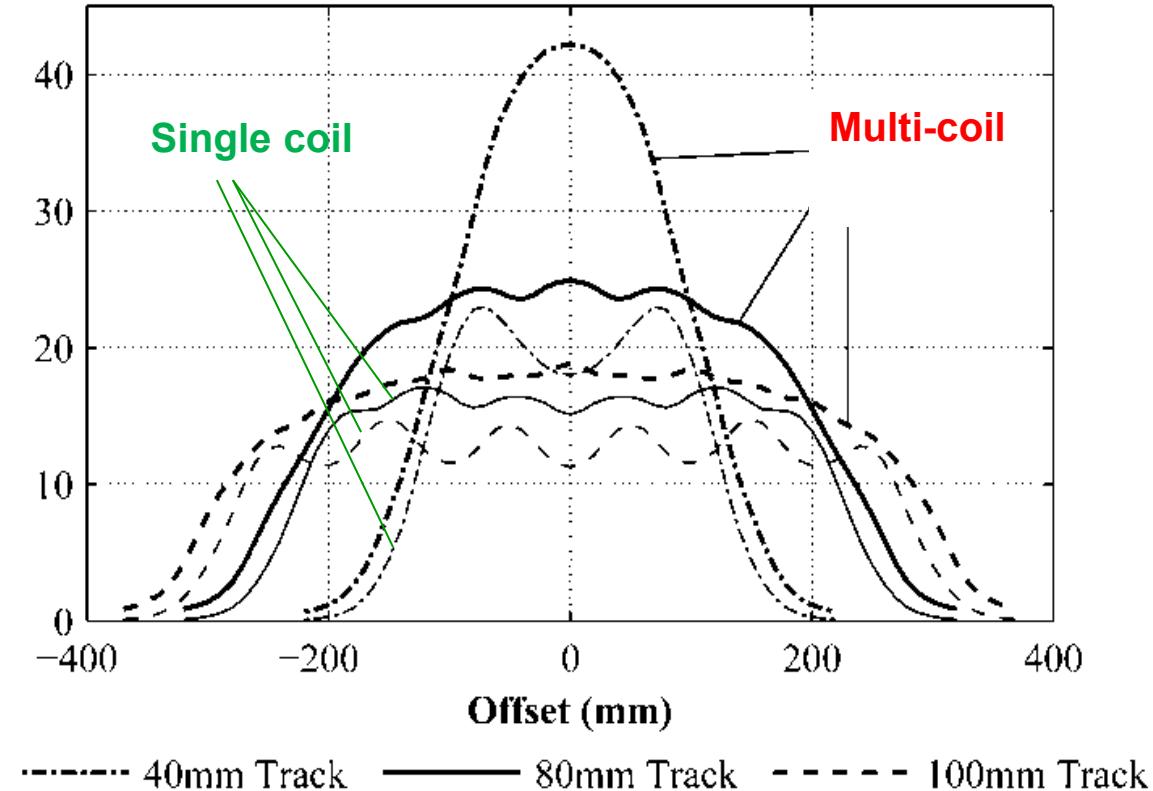


Uncompensated Power for Vertical Coil



# Multiphase Tracks & Pads

- Combined multi-coil
  - Flatter power profile
  - 25-50% more power

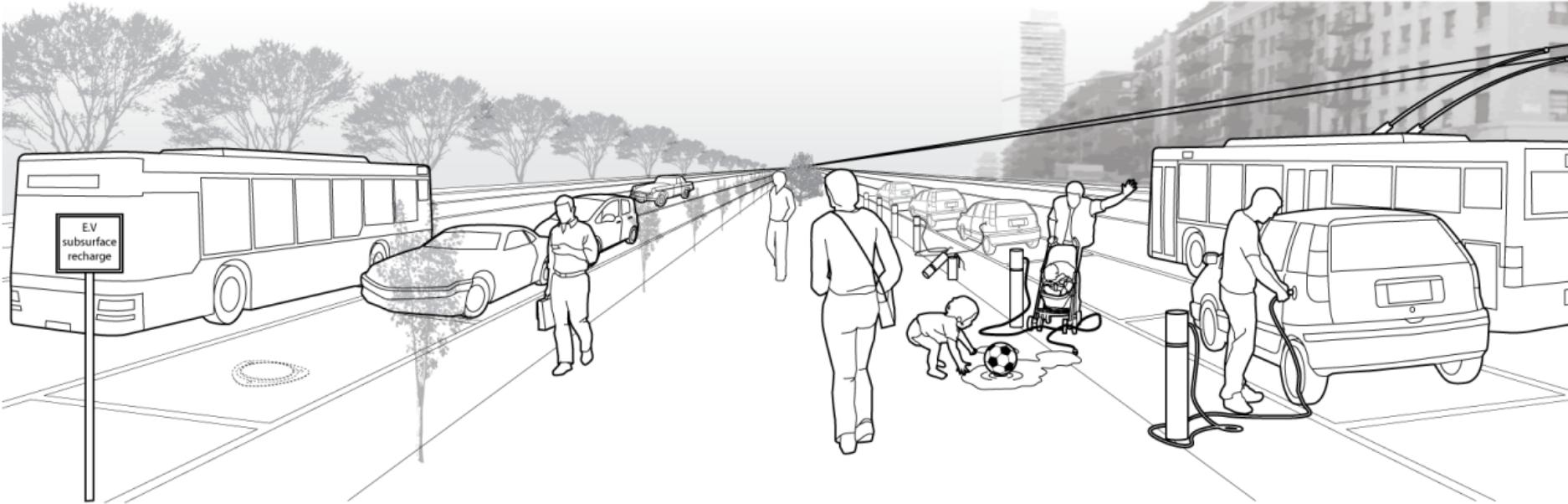


# Stationary EV Charging

## Early systems

# Mobility Vision

Autonomous, Connected, Electric and Wireless



IPT street



Safe and Durable

Easy to use

Aesthetically pleasing

Conductive charge street



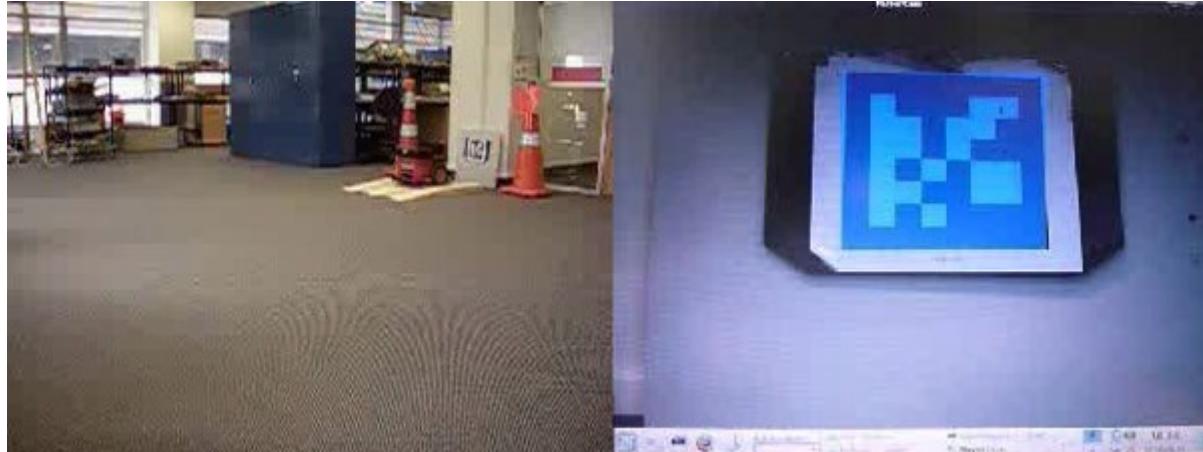
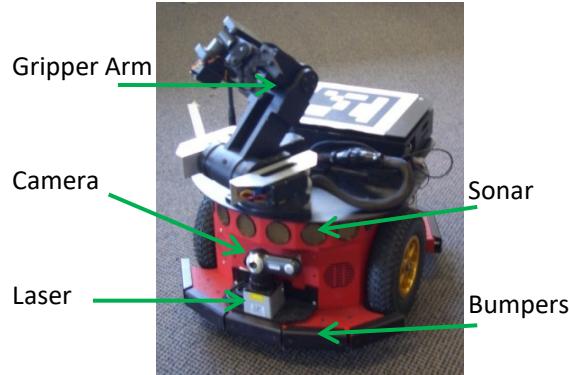
# EV1 Battery Charger

## Charging Paddle system



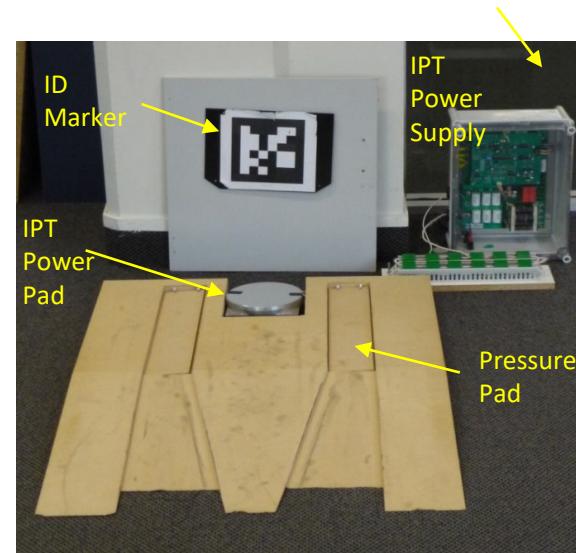
# Autonomous Robotics

## 50W Chargers



Wireless Charging as required

ID marker identifies  
charger position

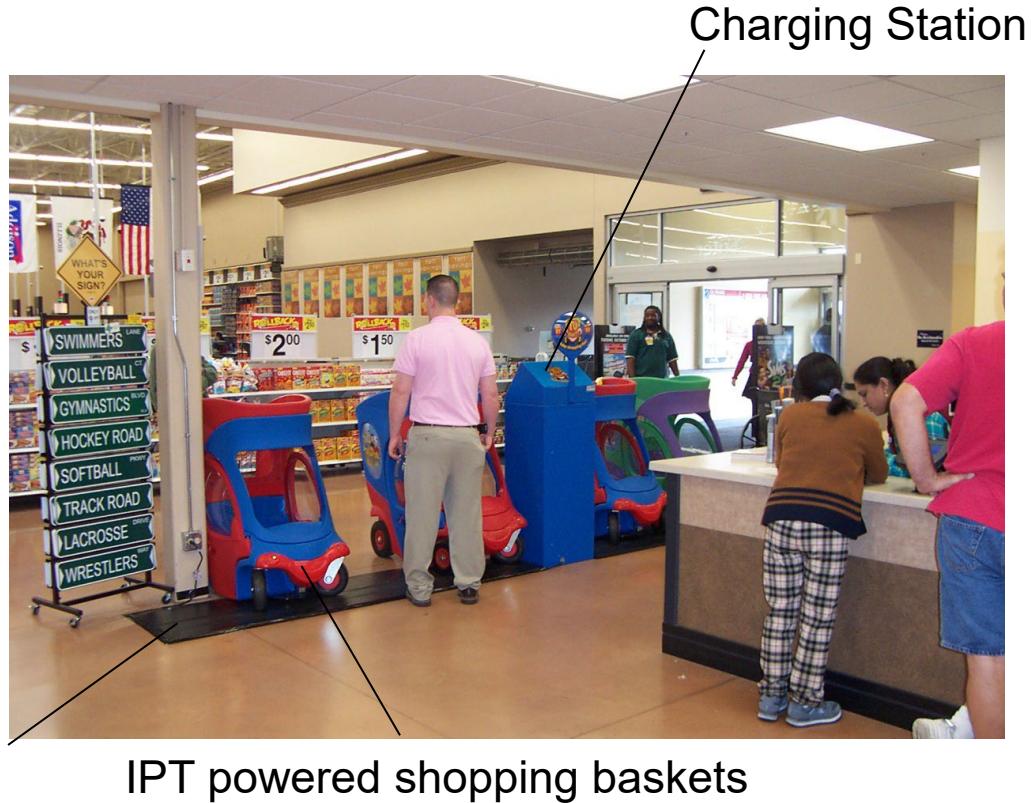


# 200W Shopping Basket Chargers



Power pad sited under trolley

Charging Mat in Walmart USA



Charging Station

IPT powered shopping baskets

# People Moving (Mid-late 1990s)

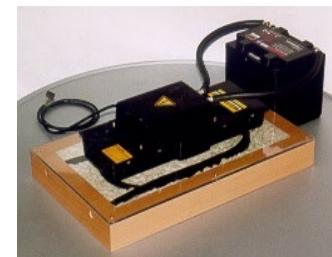
IPT Technology (Conductix-Wampfler)



## Whakarewarewa Rotorua Charging Bay



- 5 buses with trailer
- 3 x 10 batteries of 12 V
- Charging: 7min /15-20 min
- Charging power: 20 kW



10x 3kW Pickups @ 14kHz

# People moving (early 2000s)

IPT Technology (Conductix-Wampfler)



- 3 buses each with 56 x 6V Batteries
- Charging 60kW for 10 minutes/hour

Genoa, Porto Antico

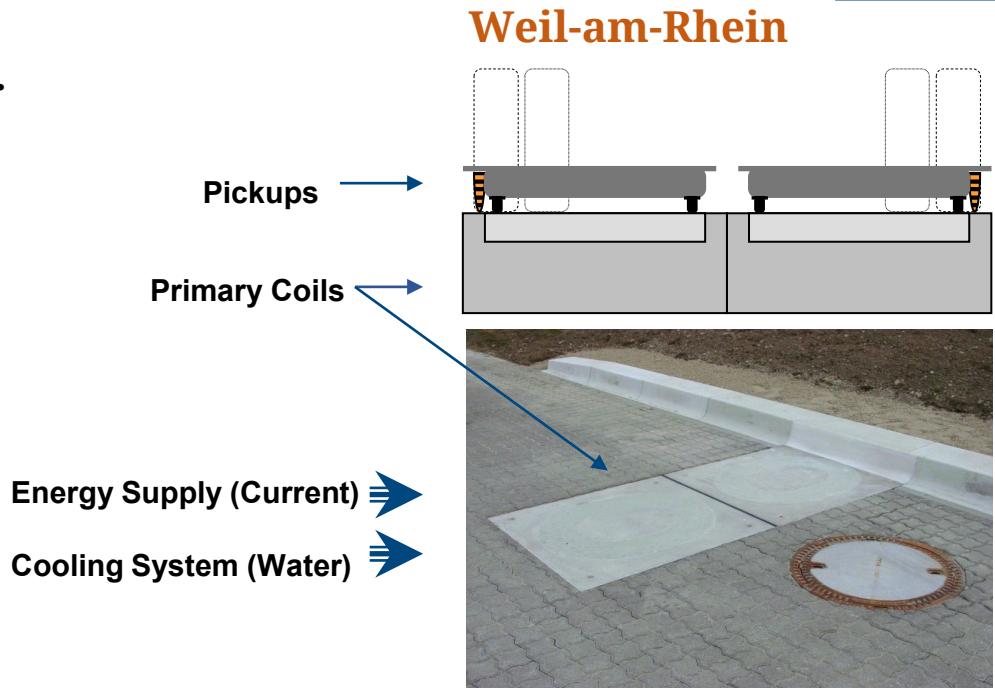


30kW Pickup 20kHz

# Automotive: 2000's

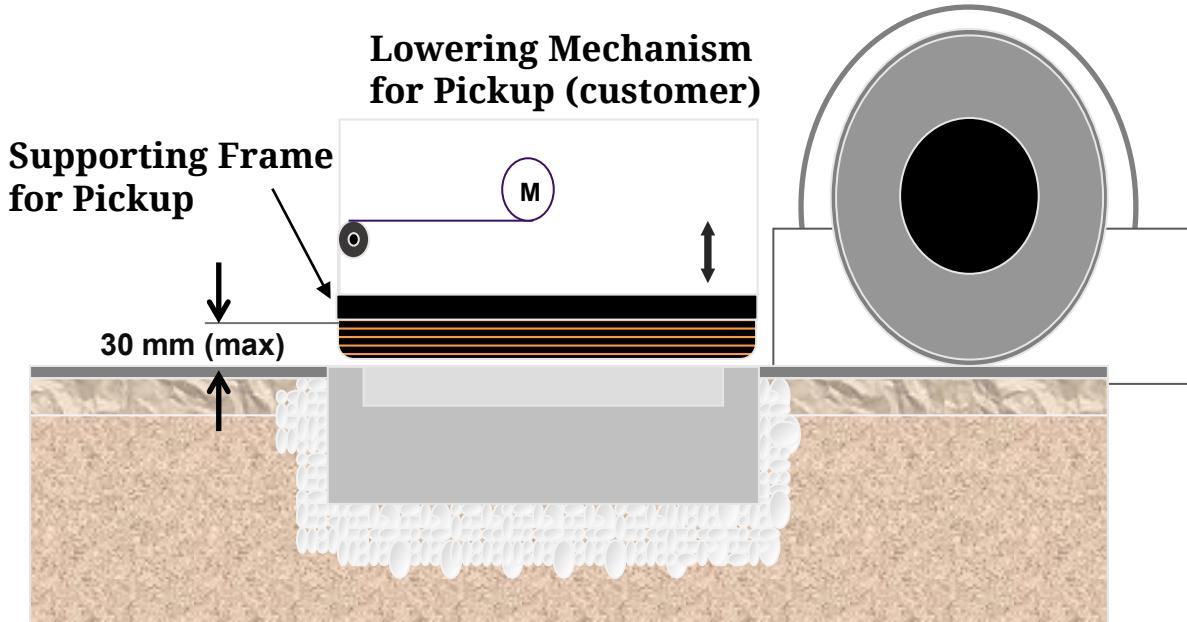
## IPT Technology: Charging- discontinuous power transfer

- Primary side control and Hydraulic levitation
  - Communications system required
  - Only application for 1 to 1 application



- ### IPT Technology: 60kw Charging station
- 20% Duty Cycle
  - 300/600V Output
  - Nom. Distance to Ground: 30mm
  - Tolerances: H/L +/-50mm; V +/-10mm
  - IP 67 -20°C / +50°C
  - 70 kg, 1025 x 875 x 61mm

# Automotive: 2000's



IPT Technology: Charging

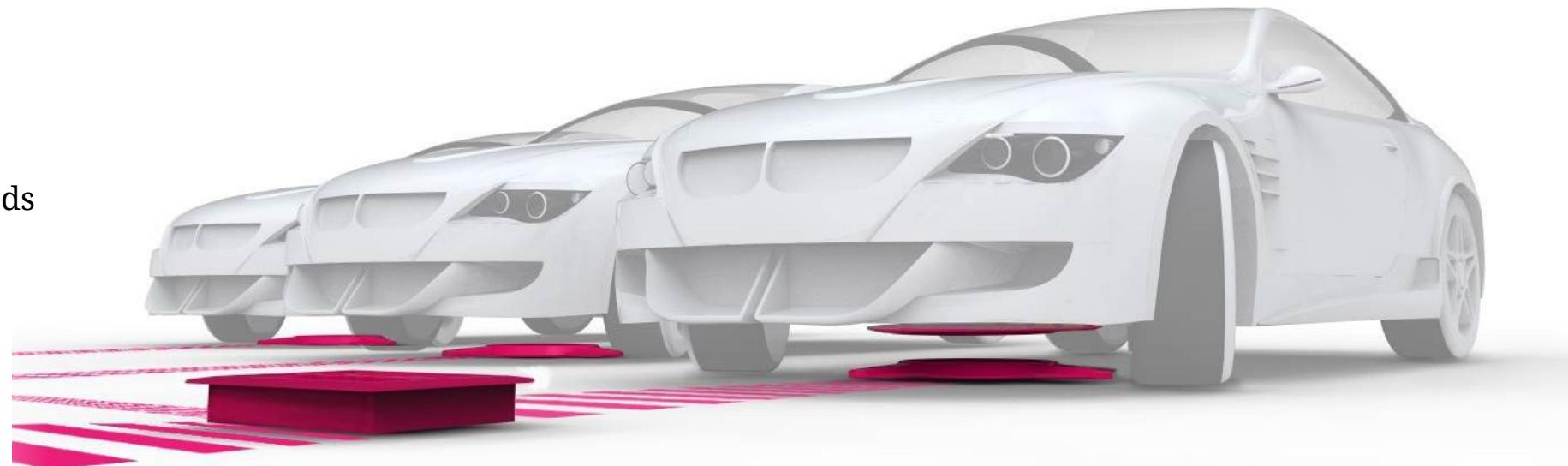
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# Automotive: Late 2000's – Greater Gaps Required

## The EV Charging System

- Power Supply
- Ground Assembly (GA)
- Magnetic field
- Vehicle Assembly (VA)
- Data Transmission
- Controller
- Battery
- User Interface
- Multiple Ground Pads



# Pad development

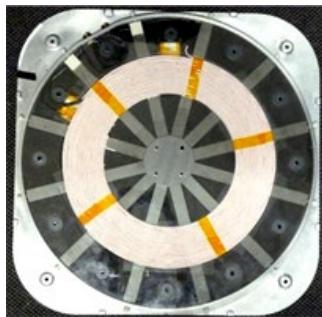
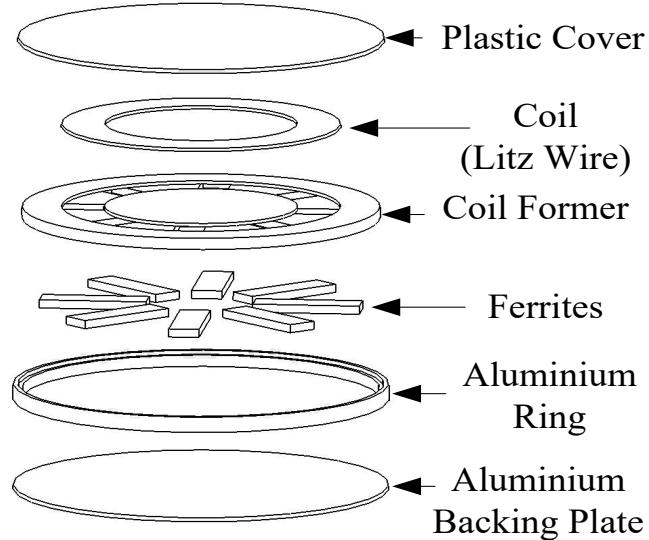
Non polarised Couplers

Polarised Couplers

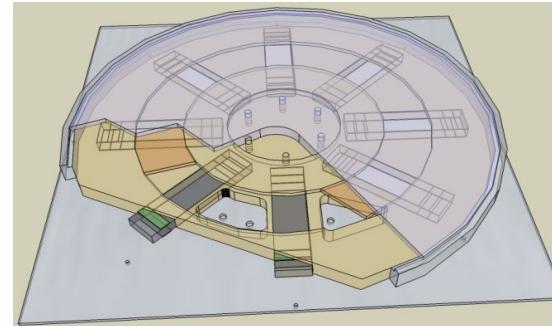
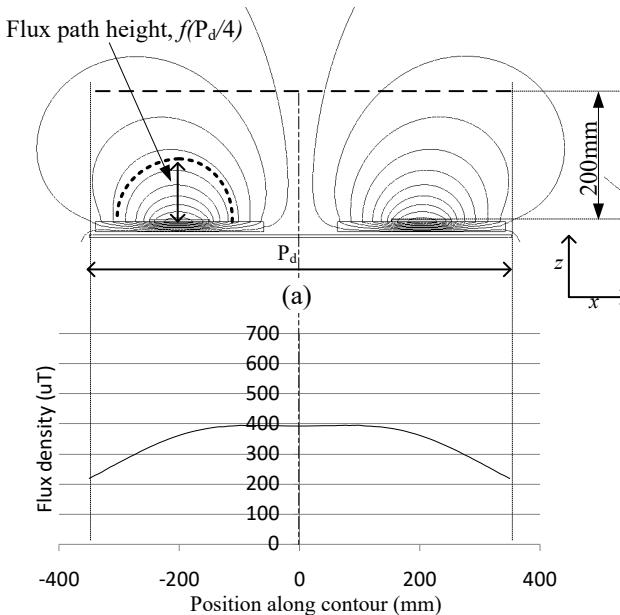
Multi-coil Topologies

# Non-Polarised Couplers

# Circular Non-polarized

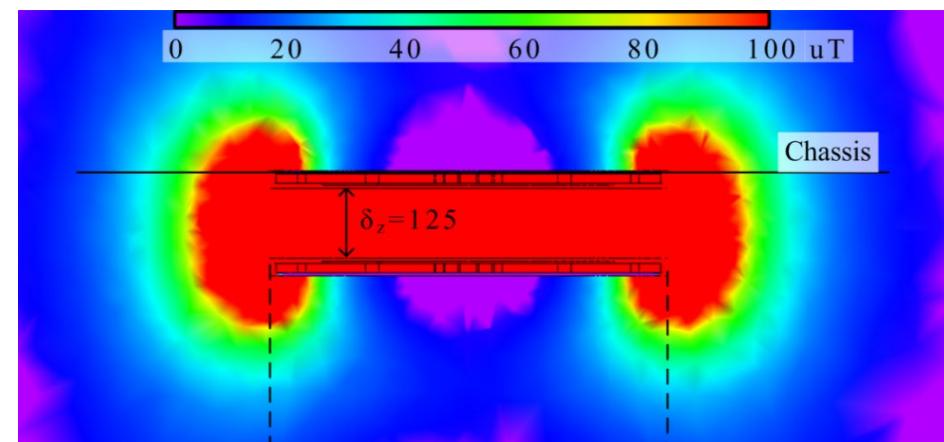
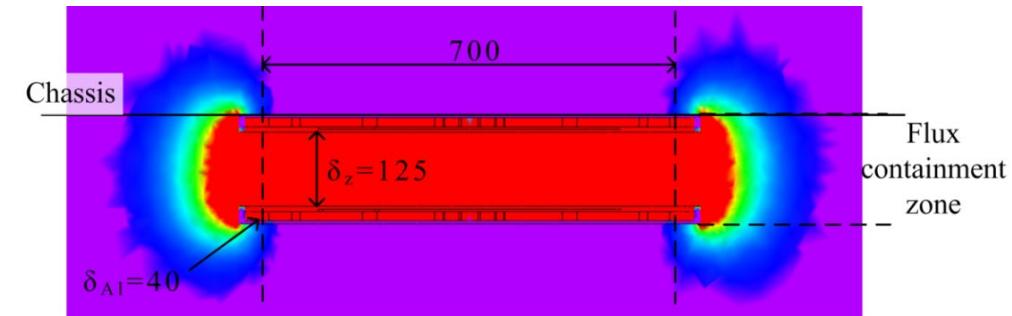
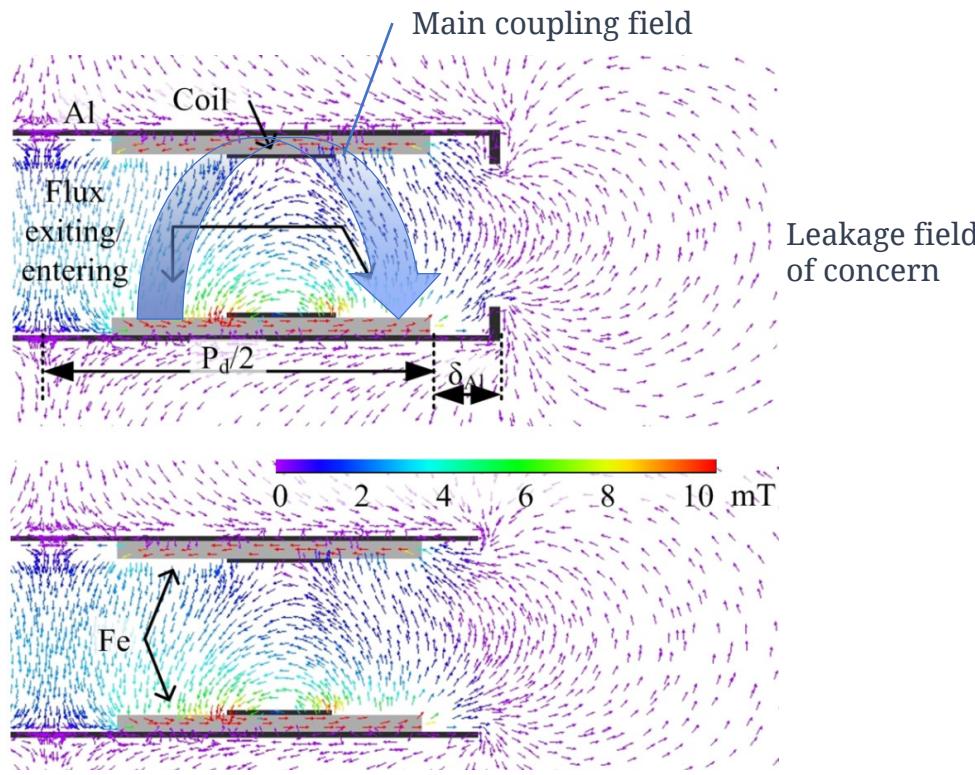


Circular  $Q_L$  ( $\sim 300$  at 20kHz)



# Coupler Leakage & Shielding

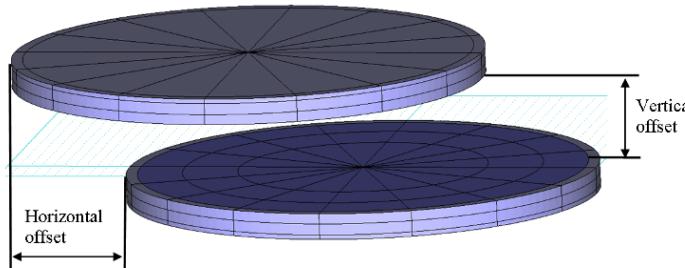
Installation - EV chassis and field leakage considerations



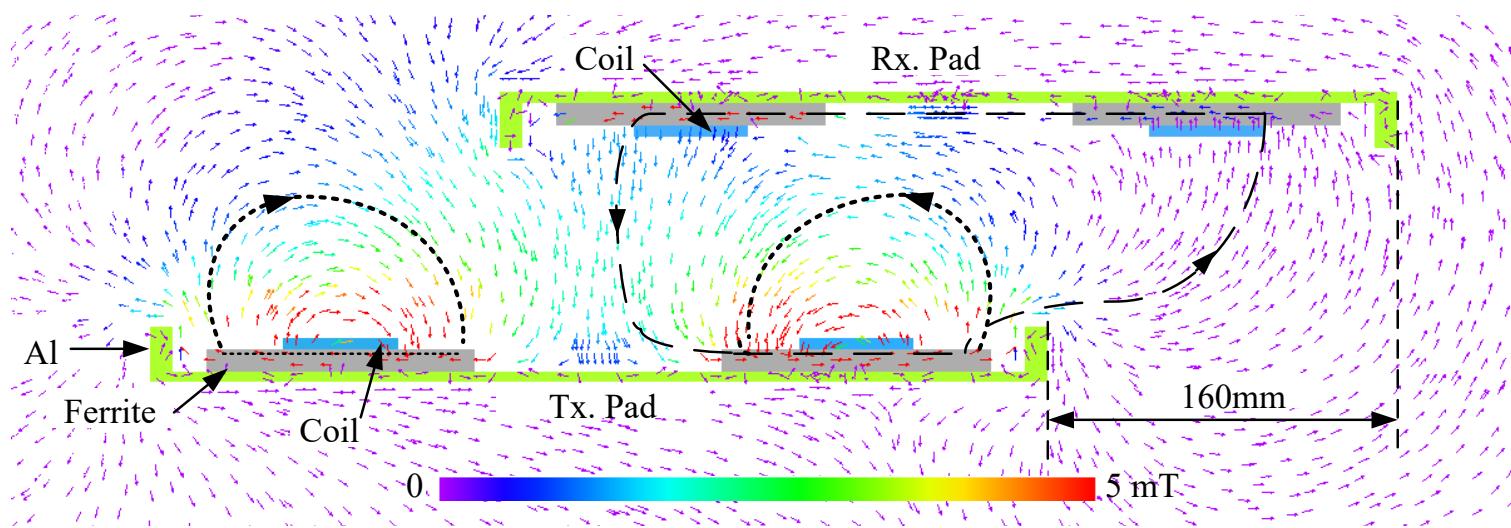
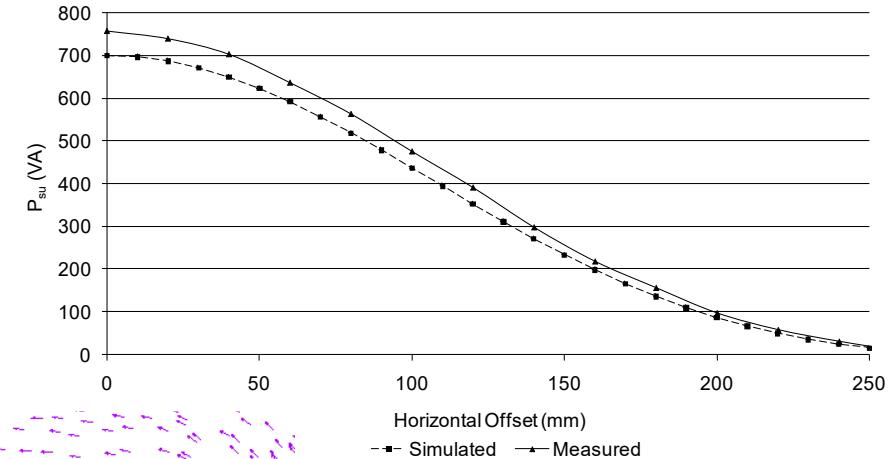
# Stationary Application

Power null (in all directions  $\sim 80\%$  pad radius)

- good leakage control
- poor misalignment tolerance & challenging for dynamic



$$P_{su} = k^2 V A_1$$



# Fe-less LC Reflector

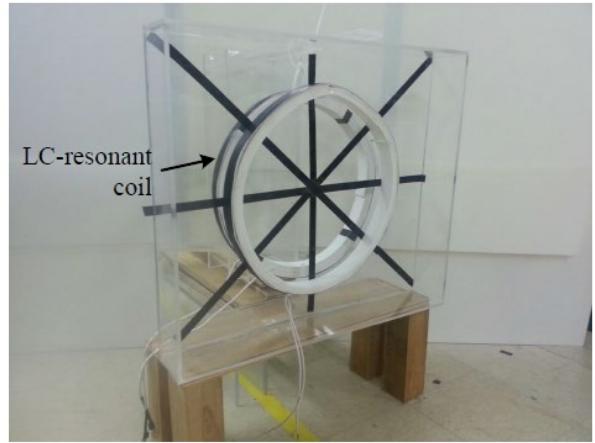


Fig. 9. A prototype fabrication of MFS using the LC-resonant coil.

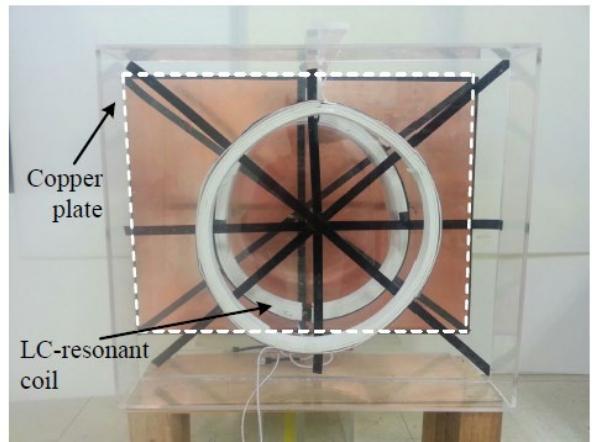
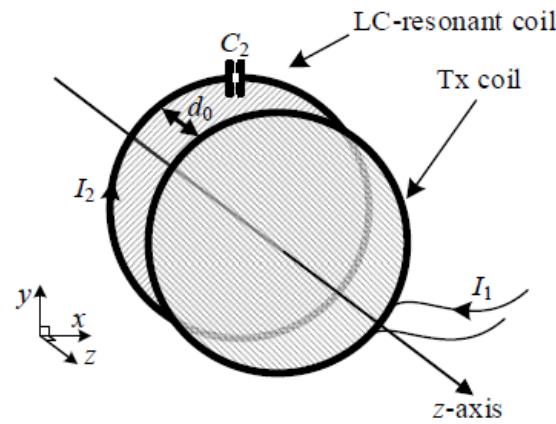
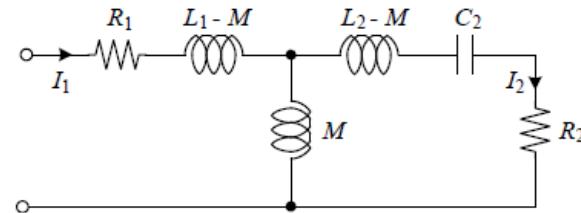


Fig. 10. A prototype fabrication of MFS using the combination of the conductive plate and LC-resonant coil.



(a) MFS utilizing the LC-resonant coil.



(b) Simplified equivalent electric circuit.

Fig. 4. MFS utilizing the LC-resonant coil and its equivalent electric circuit.

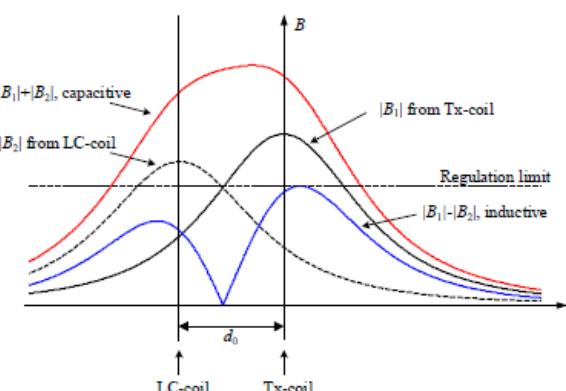
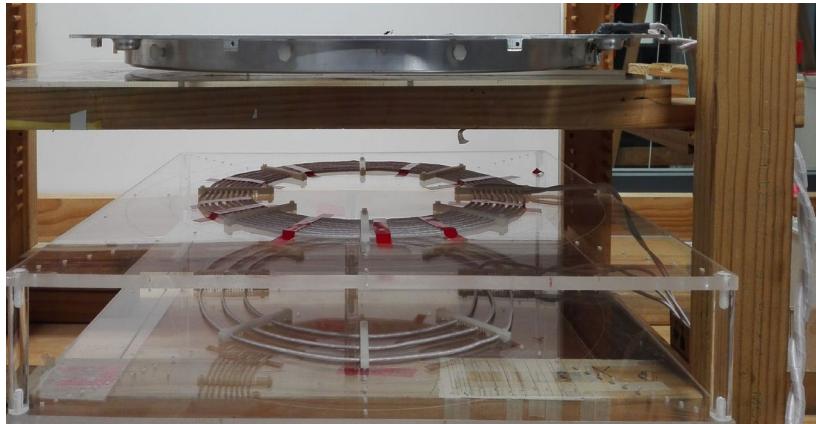


Fig. 5. Magnetic field density profile with MFS utilizing LC-resonant coil.

# Ferrite-less Circular Primaries

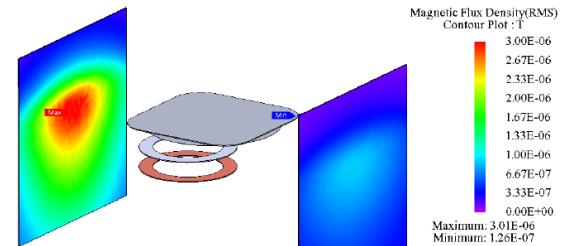


Anti-wound (reflection) coil 1/3 the turns ratio

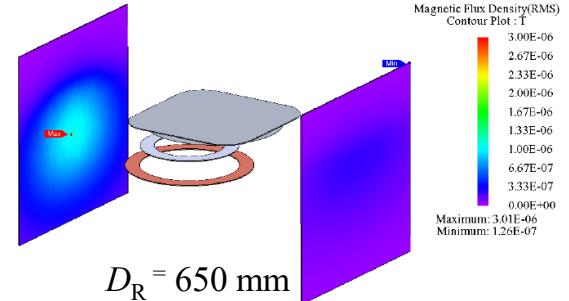
Reflection coil ~30% larger has excellent leakage

Coupling factors typically 2/3rds require 2.3x VA

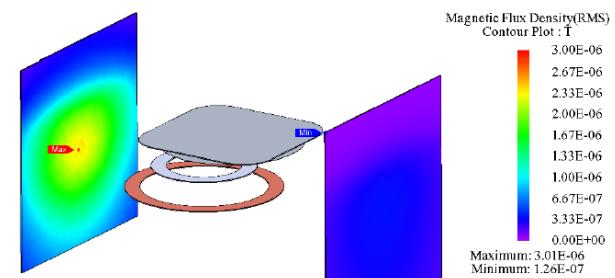
CP Secondary offset:  $X=150\text{mm}$ ,  $Z=150\text{mm}$



Matched  $D_R = 500 \text{ mm}$



$D_R = 650 \text{ mm}$

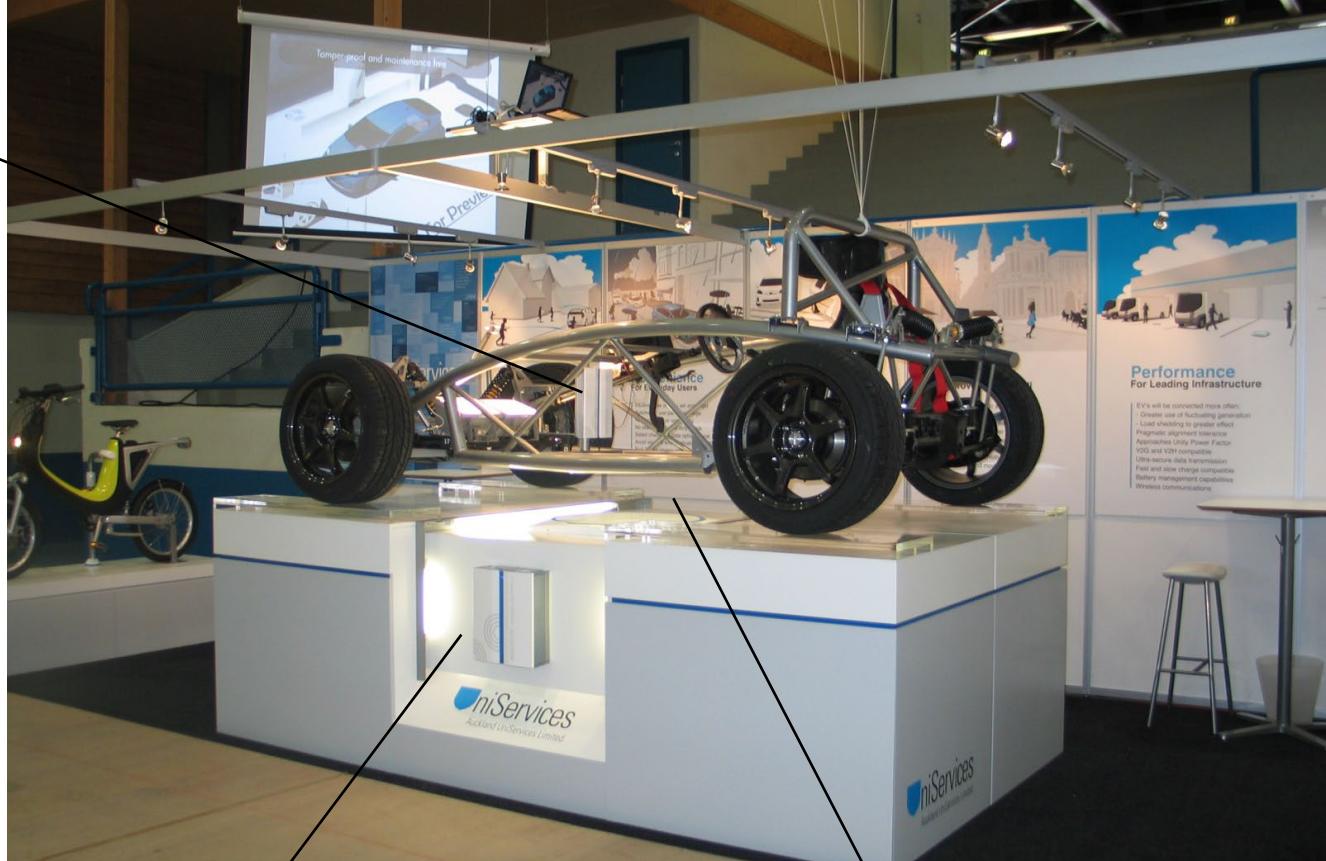


$D_R = 750 \text{ mm}$

# A Demonstration System at EVS24

2kW IPT Charger

Vehicle controller

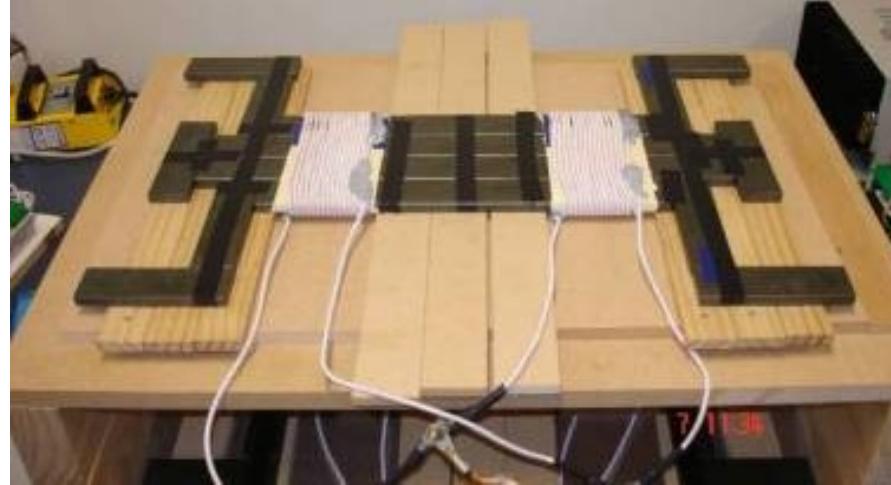
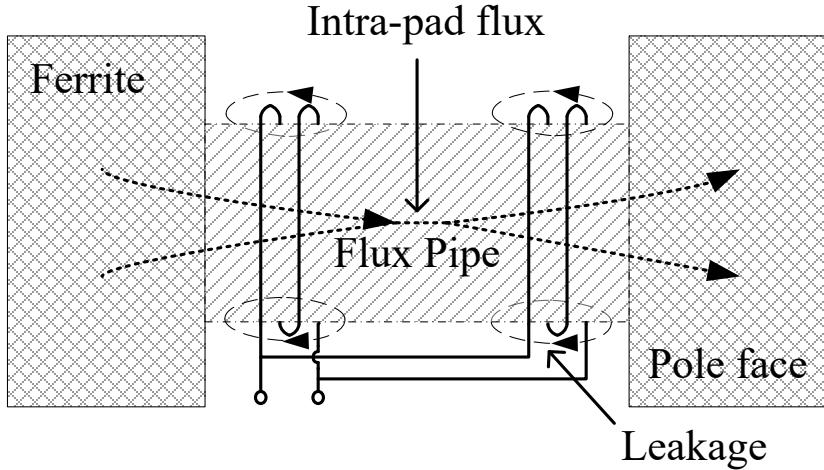


Charger: 2kW single phase supply

220mm airgap

# Polarised Couplers

# Polarised Designs: Solenoid

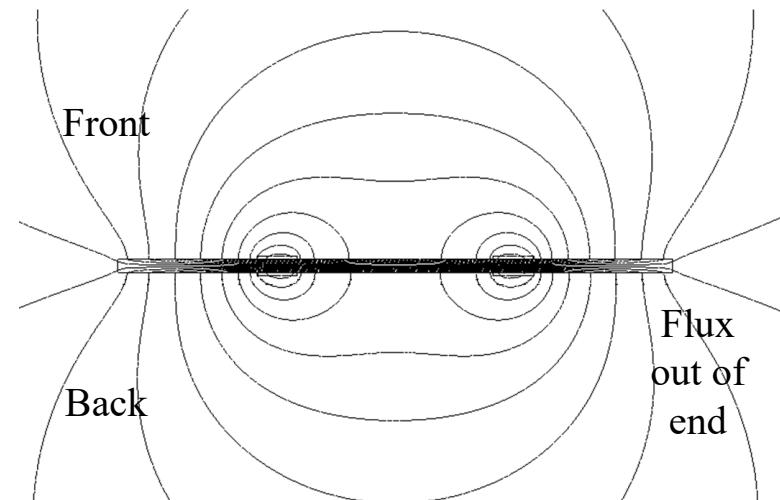


## Flux pipe:

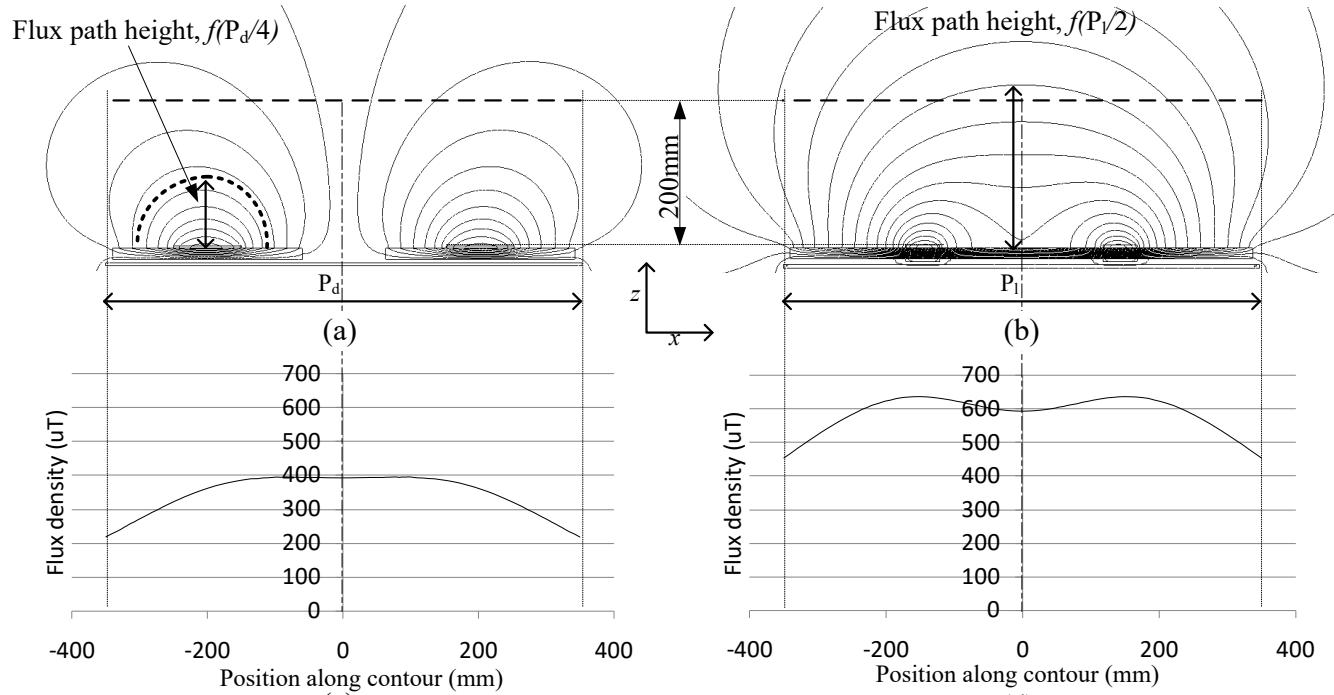
- encourages pole separation
- flux path has greater height

## Issues:

- Fields on both sides & ends
- Hard to control leakage



# Circular vs. Solenoid Coupler



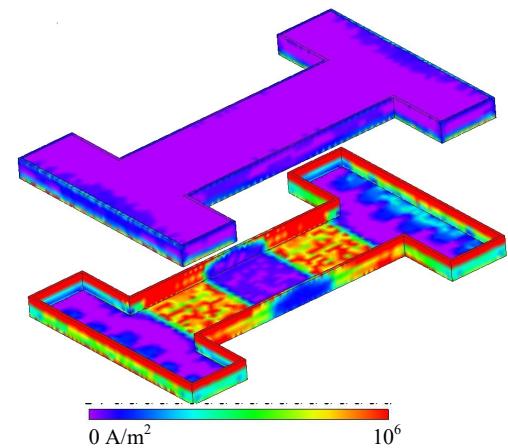
Circular  $Q_L$  ( $\sim 300$  at 20kHz)

Solenoid aluminium shield creates large losses

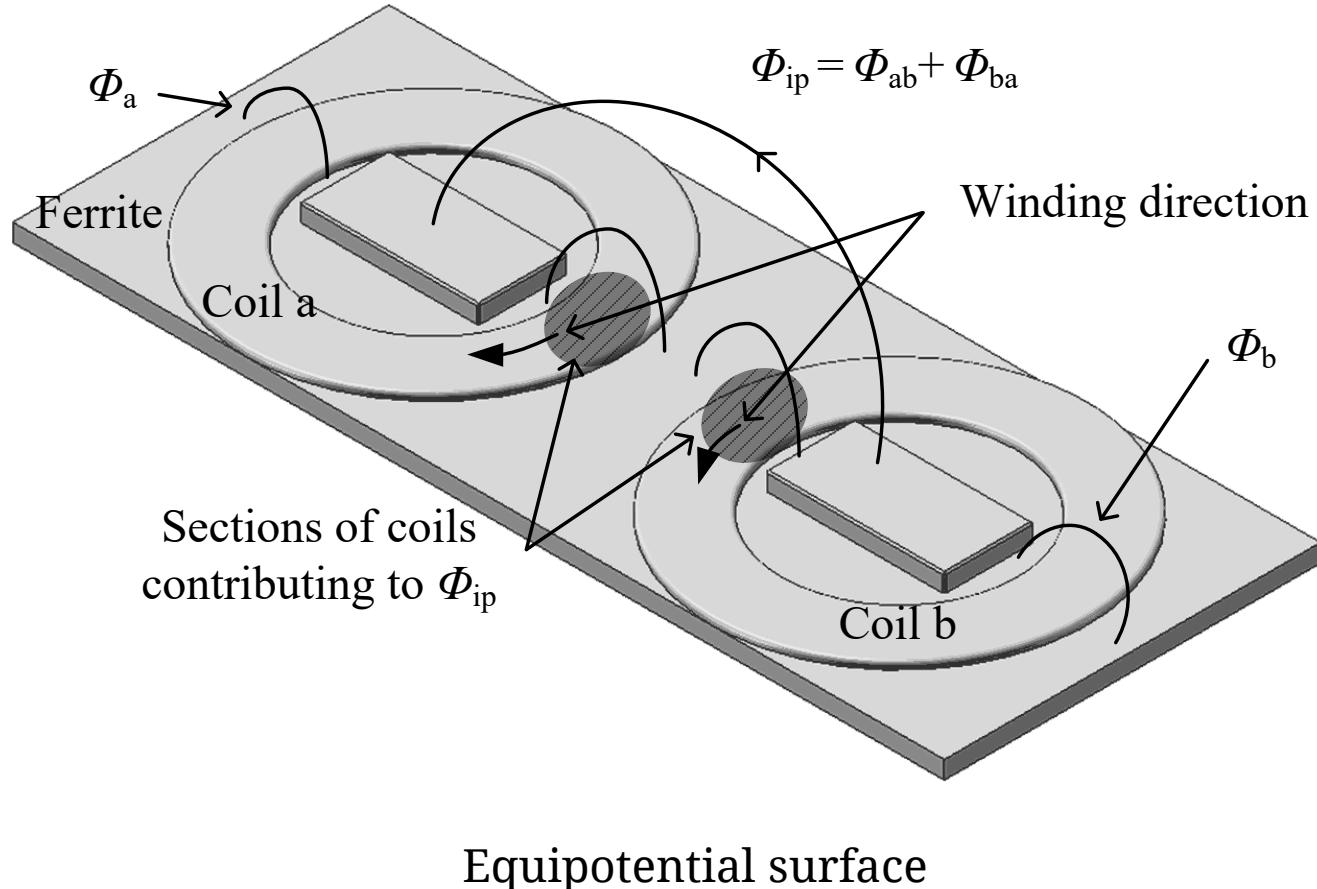
$I_1 = 23\text{A}/\text{coil}$  at 20kHz

- $Q_L$  without shielding is 260
- $Q_L$  with shielding is 86

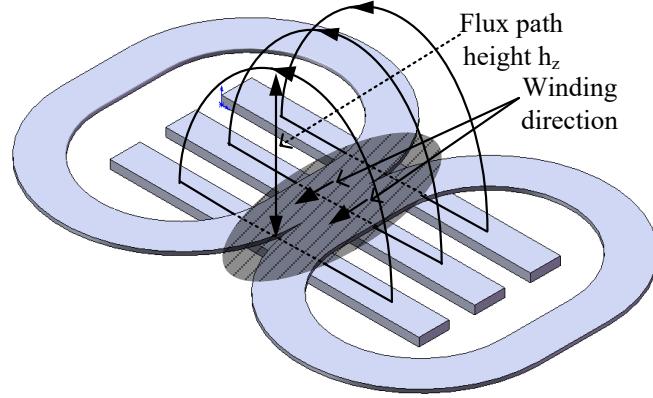
Reference [8],[22]



# Improving the Magnetic Design



# Polarised DD



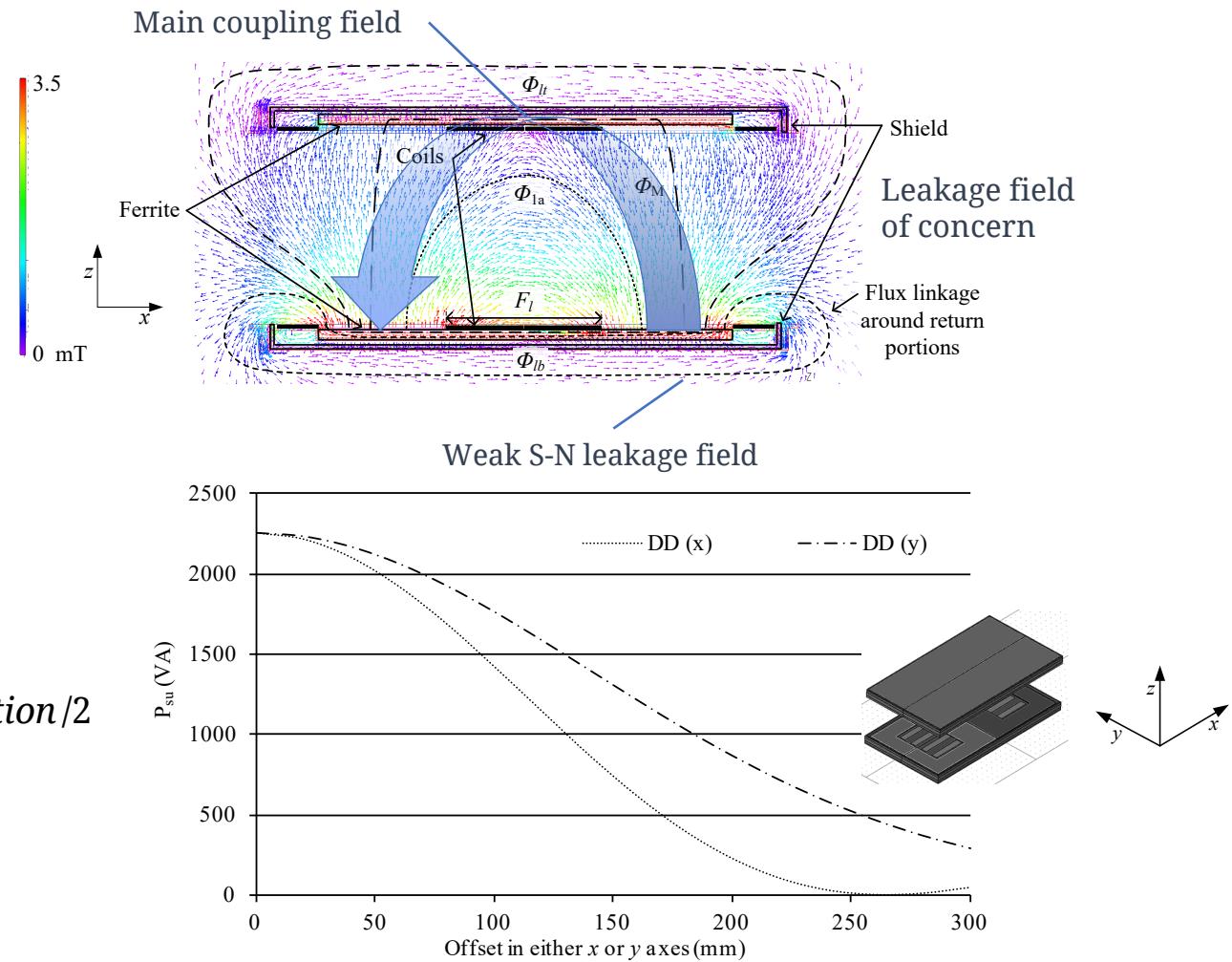
## Ferrite strips:

- Reduce material and inductance

## Coil winding:

- Creates a flux pipe (minimised winding length)
- Single sided flux paths with height  $\sim$  pole separation / 2

$Q_L \sim 400$  at 20kHz



Performance with lateral offset

# Ferrite-less DD Primaries



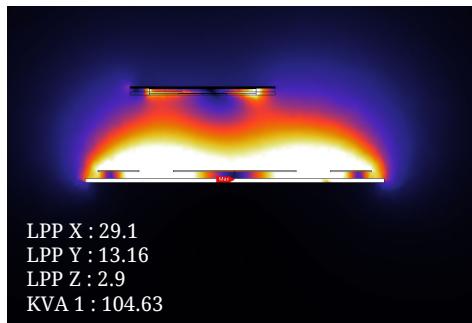
(a) Ferrite & Aluminium DD



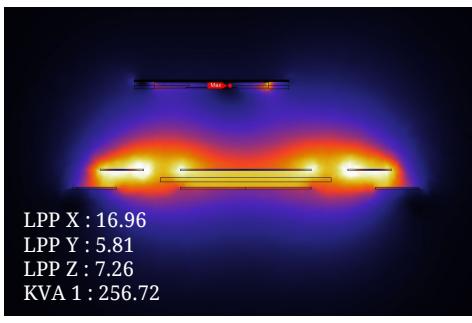
(b) Ferrite-less DD



(c) Reduced ferrite DD



Main coil (640 x 460)  
28 ferrite blocks



No ferrite  
Reflection coil (760 x 520)



4 blocks ferrite 125x100  
Reflection coil (760 x 520)

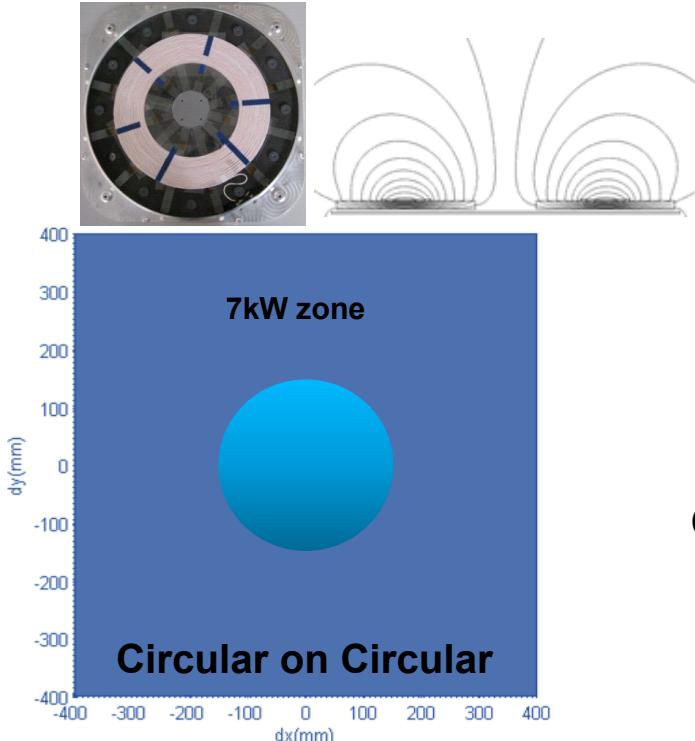
Anti-wound (reflection) coil 1/3 the turns ratio & ~30% larger  
Ferrite-less coupling factors typically 2/3rds require 2.5 x VA  
Partial ferrite coupling factors ~75% require ~1.9 x VA  
Leakage can be lower!

# Simple Coil Comparisons

For similar:

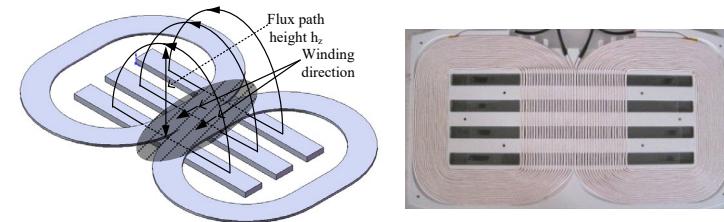
Pad Areas & Inductances  
Driving VA & Frequency  
Secondary VA

Transfer height  $d/4$

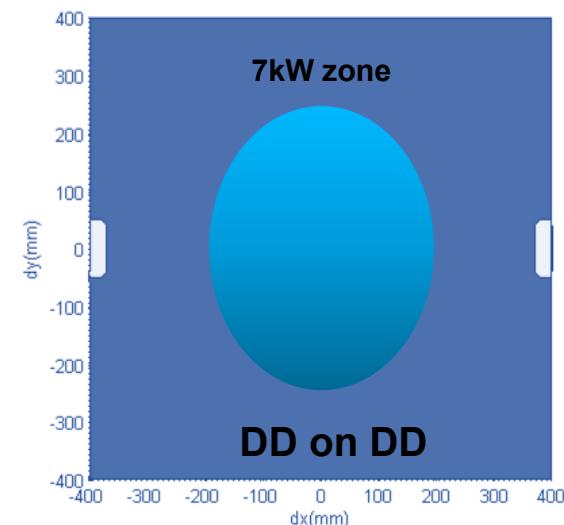


Leakage naturally constrained  
with external pole

Transfer height  $\sim d/2$

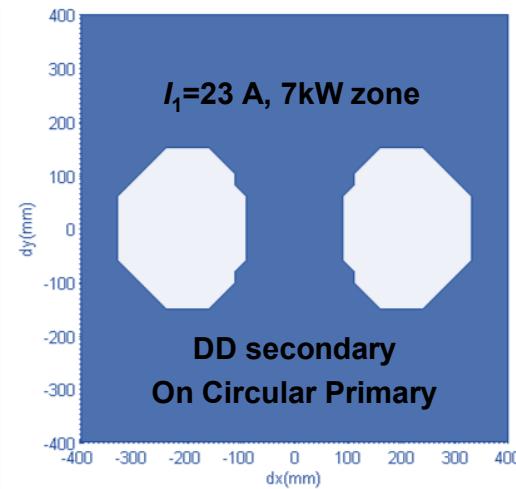
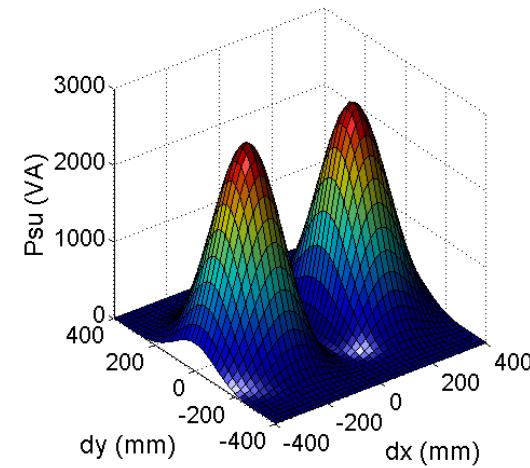


7kW output at 125mm  
Charging Area  
Circular < 2 x Polarised

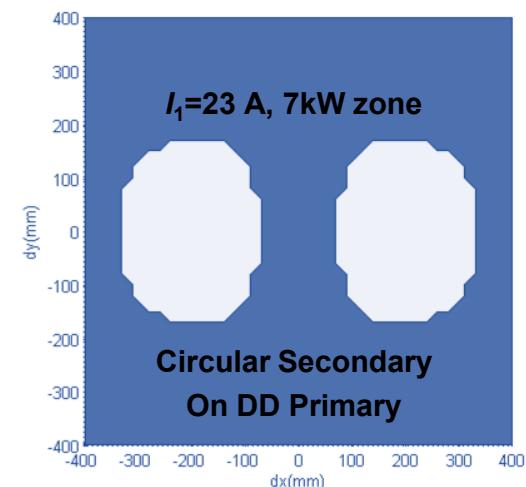
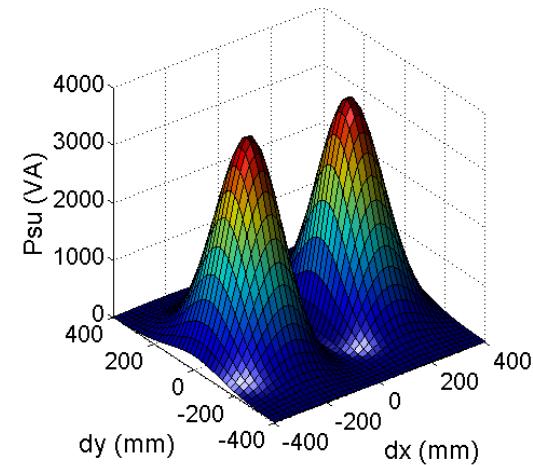


Tolerance v.s. higher leakage  
due to auxiliary poles

# Interoperability (7 kW)



$$P_{su} = k^2 V A_1$$



# Evolution of Systems



Developed with HaloIPT 2010  
Rolls Royce Phantom 102Ex

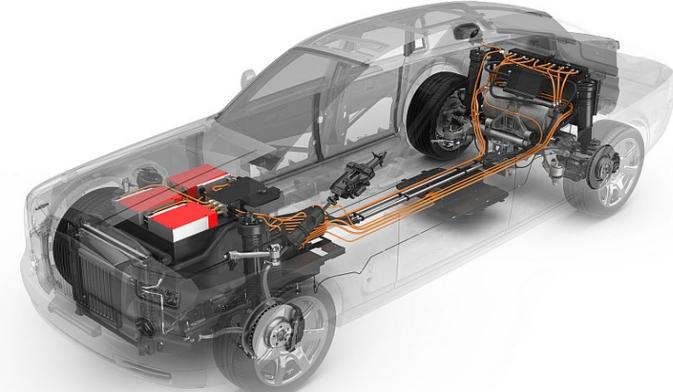
7kW charge system > 90% Efficiency



Courtesy of Qualcomm

11kW > 90% Efficiency

Product ready with Qualcomm



Future Systems with WiTricity  
Power demand shifting upwards

# SAE J2954 Compliance

Light Duty  
Future LD and HD status  
HD Considerations

# SAE J2954 targets full Interoperability

- A test station is used for validation
  - Universal Ground Assembly (UGA)
  - Test station Vehicle Assemblies (VA) (WPT1-3, Z1-3)
- Classifications:
  - Public GAs: Class I
  - Private GAs: Class II
- Product Testing:
  - Class I GAs at all power and Z ranges with all test VAs
  - Class II GAs up to rating & over specified Z range with relevant VAs
  - Vehicle systems over their designed airgap on the UGA
- All systems tested:
  - $\Delta X: \pm 75\text{mm}$ ,  $\Delta Y: \pm 100\text{mm}$ , Roll/Pitch:  $2^\circ$ , Yaw:  $3^\circ$ .
  - Over typical battery range (DC 280-420V) on test VAs
  - Must comply with EMF ICNIRP/Pacemaker leakage when powered
  - Must meet EMC Limits (82.8 dBuA/m in 79-90kHz band)
  - Must use communication sets (J29847-6), except proprietary VAs
  - Must not heat specified foreign above  $80^\circ\text{C}$  in 60s

# SAE J2954 Interoperability

## System Efficiency Targets:

AC Mains to Battery – matched systems deployed > 90%

### Product VAs

- tested at full power must be  $\geq 80\%$  over all X,Y,Z range
- $\geq 85\%$  when centred in the middle of the nominated Z range.

### Class I (Public)

- Minimums at rated power of test VA

WPT Class of Test VA	At Centered Position	In Alignment Tolerance Area
WPT1	80%	75%
WPT2	82%	77%
WPT3	85%	80%

### Class II (Private/Fleet ...)

- Minimums at rated power of test VA

WPT Class Difference of Test VA	At Centered Position and Over Alignment Tolerance Area
Same Power Class	80%
One Power Class Difference	77%
Two Power Class Difference	75%

# Future Light & Heavy Duty Vehicle Status

- LD Future Power levels from 20 - 60kW planned for taxi etc.
  - WPT4 22kW, WPT5 60kW
  - Vehicle side magnetics are made small and designed for raised primary
  - Flush mounted designs for public deployment
- HD under development
  - Focus on output power 20-500kW ideally with 90% efficiency
  - Flush and buried mounted magnetics
  - Often matched designs with vehicle systems twice size of LD
  - Parking Zones ( $\pm 100\text{mm}$ ,  $\pm 100\text{mm}$ )
  - Leakage limits same
  - Safety in managed parking can use cameras and qualified personnel

# WPT 4 & 5 Systems ...

Cambridge & Warwick (50kW)

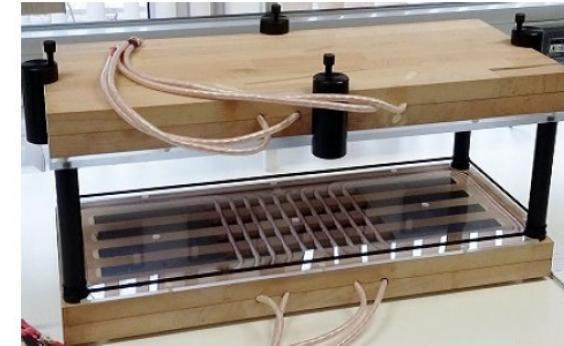
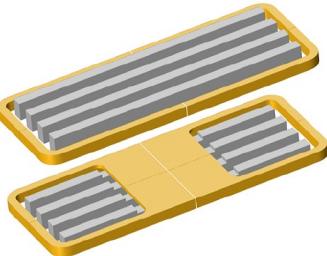


Fig. 4. Photo of constructed full-size WPT pads

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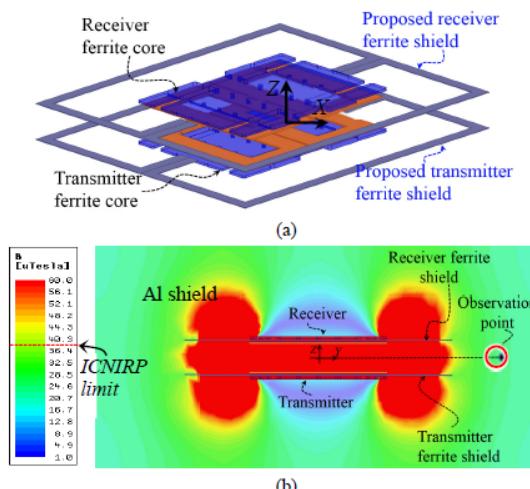
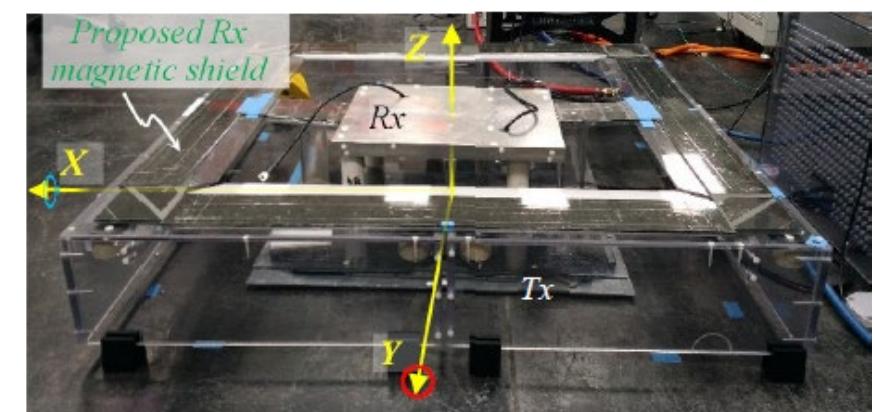
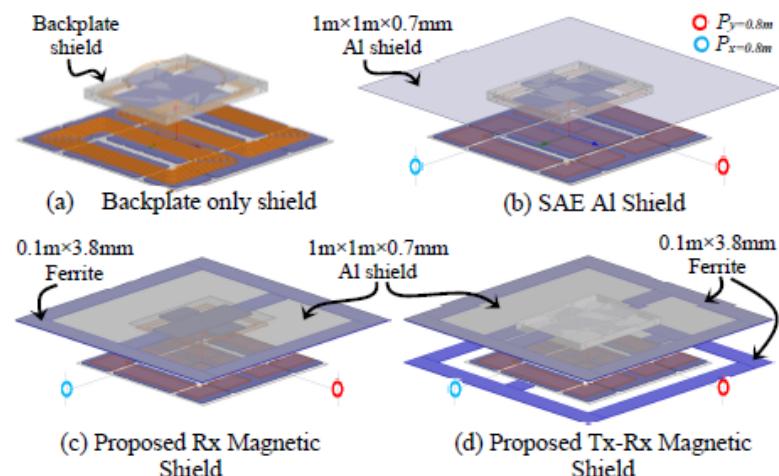


Fig. 8. (a) Proposed magnetic shield using the ferrite bars and (b) resulting peak flux density distribution on the YZ plane showing that the EMF emissions have been reduced below the ICNIRP limit.

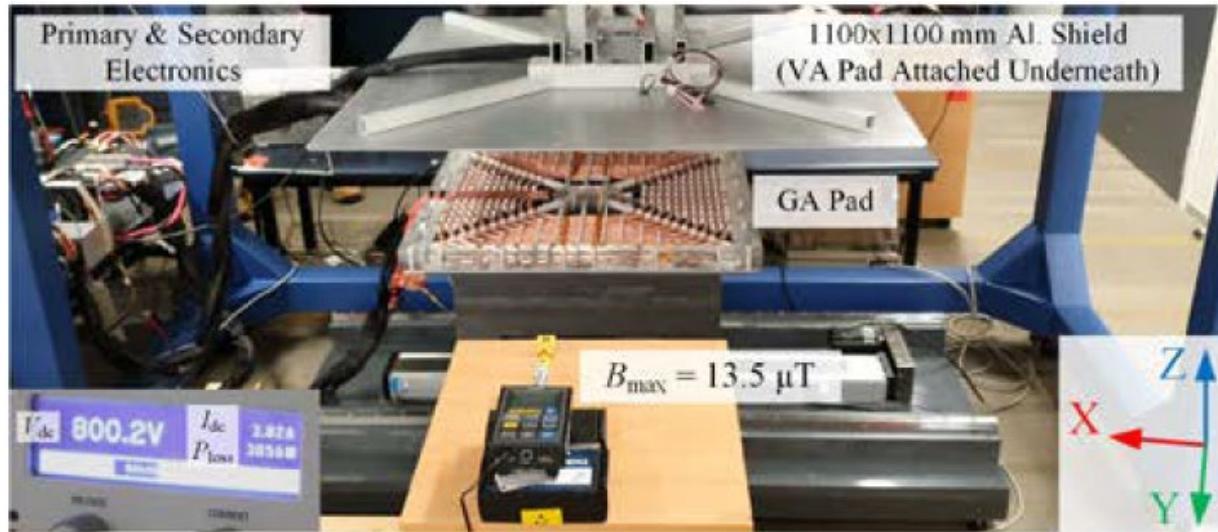


# Ferrite and Wiring Considerations

Flux crowding (partial saturation) influenced by:

- Ferrite Grouping & chosen Spacing
- Wiring and exits

50 kW Prototype



Reference [64]

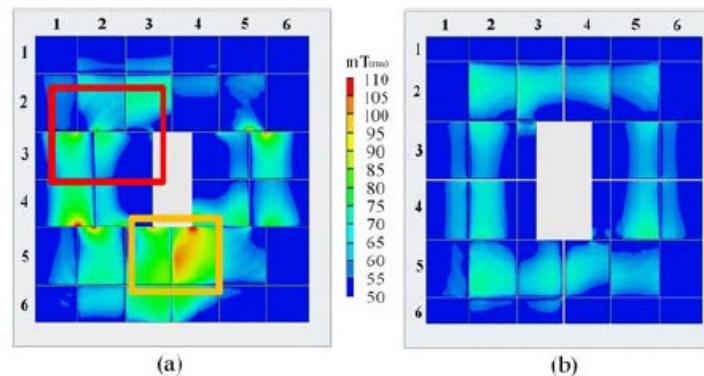


Fig. 5. (a) Mk1 and (b) Mk2 50 kW GA prototype FEA  $|B|$  contour plots.

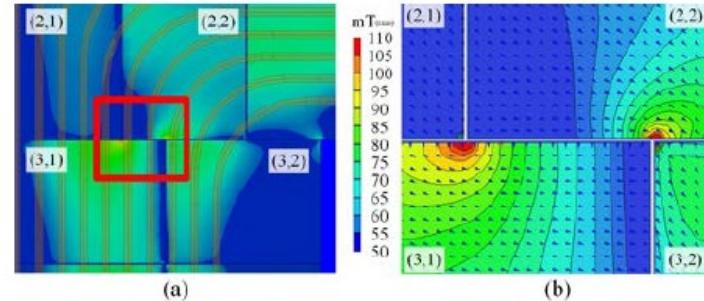


Fig. 9. (a) Top left region of Mk1 prototype FEA  $|B|$  contour plot. (b) Closeup of red outlined region with overlaid  $B$  vector plot.

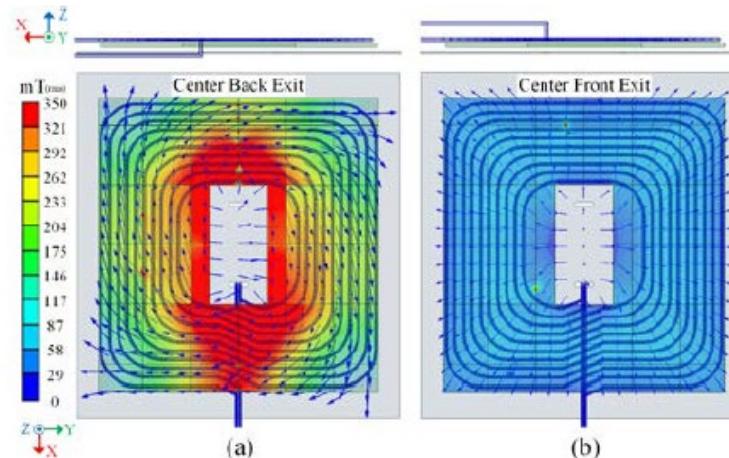


Fig. 12. (a) Top and side view of 50 kW Mk2 GA when coil exits through the back. (b) Coil exits through the front.  $B$  vector plots shown

# FOD Considerations

- Surface flux using Ultrasonic or impedance measurement
  - Detection objects directly on GA pad surface during charging
  - Metallic Foreign Objects (MFO)
    - Paper clips, Nails, Coins, Cigarette Packets
- Living Foreign Objects (LFO) - ultrasonics or capacitive
  - Pets, Small Children
- Field levels for humans <15uT, small objects to avoid heating (mT)

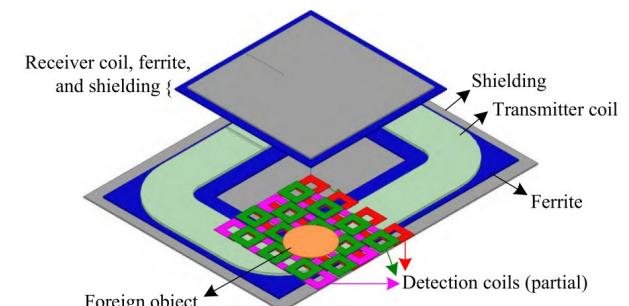
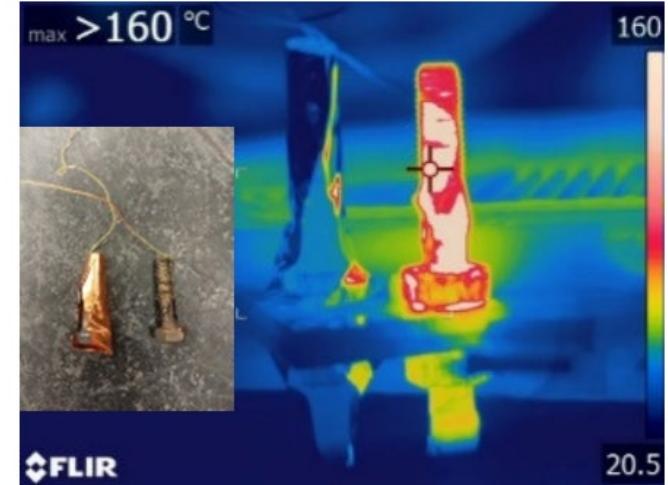
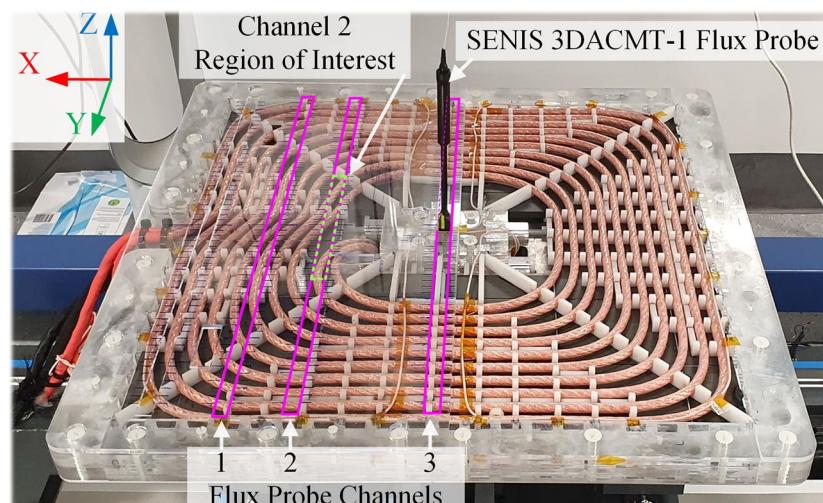
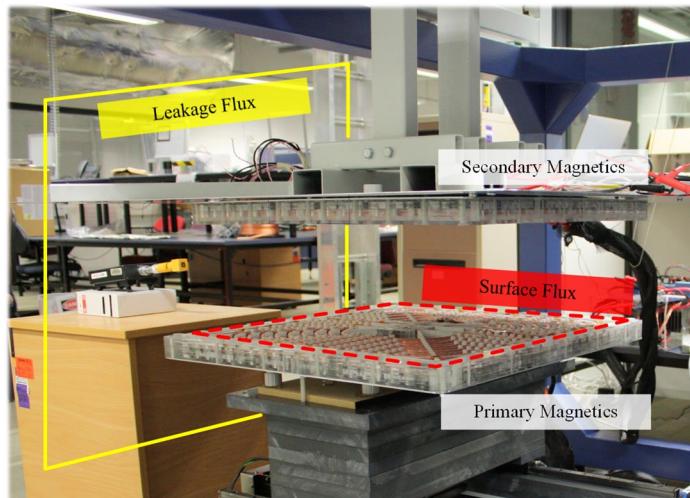
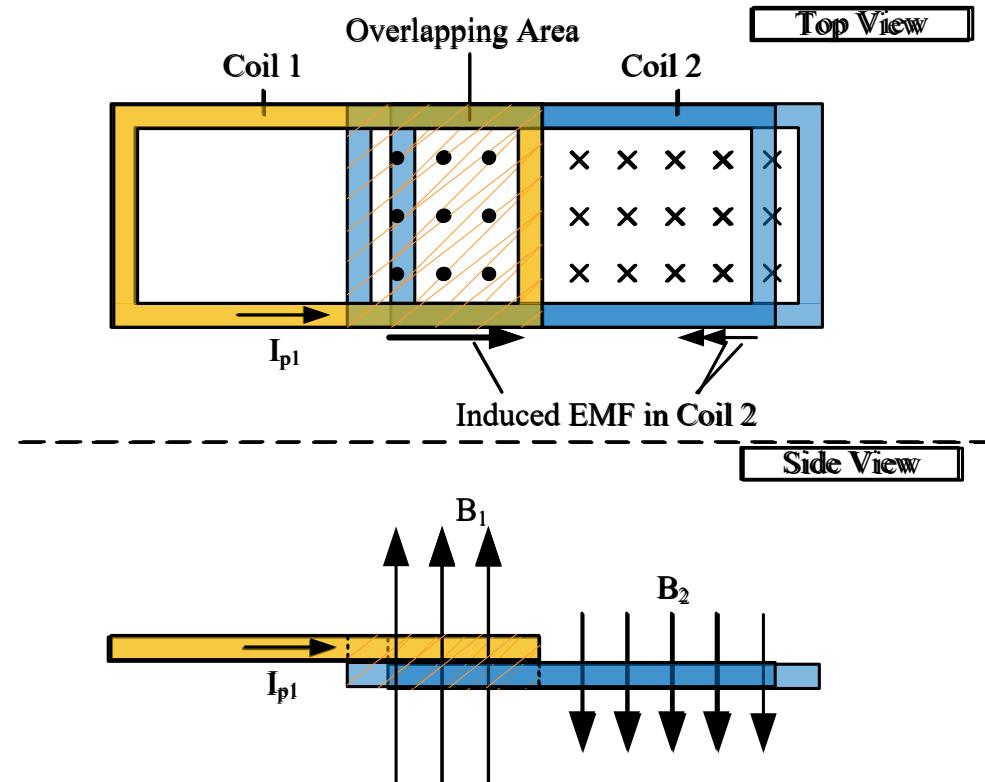


Fig. 9. A detection coil set in a WPT system.

# What are decoupled coils?

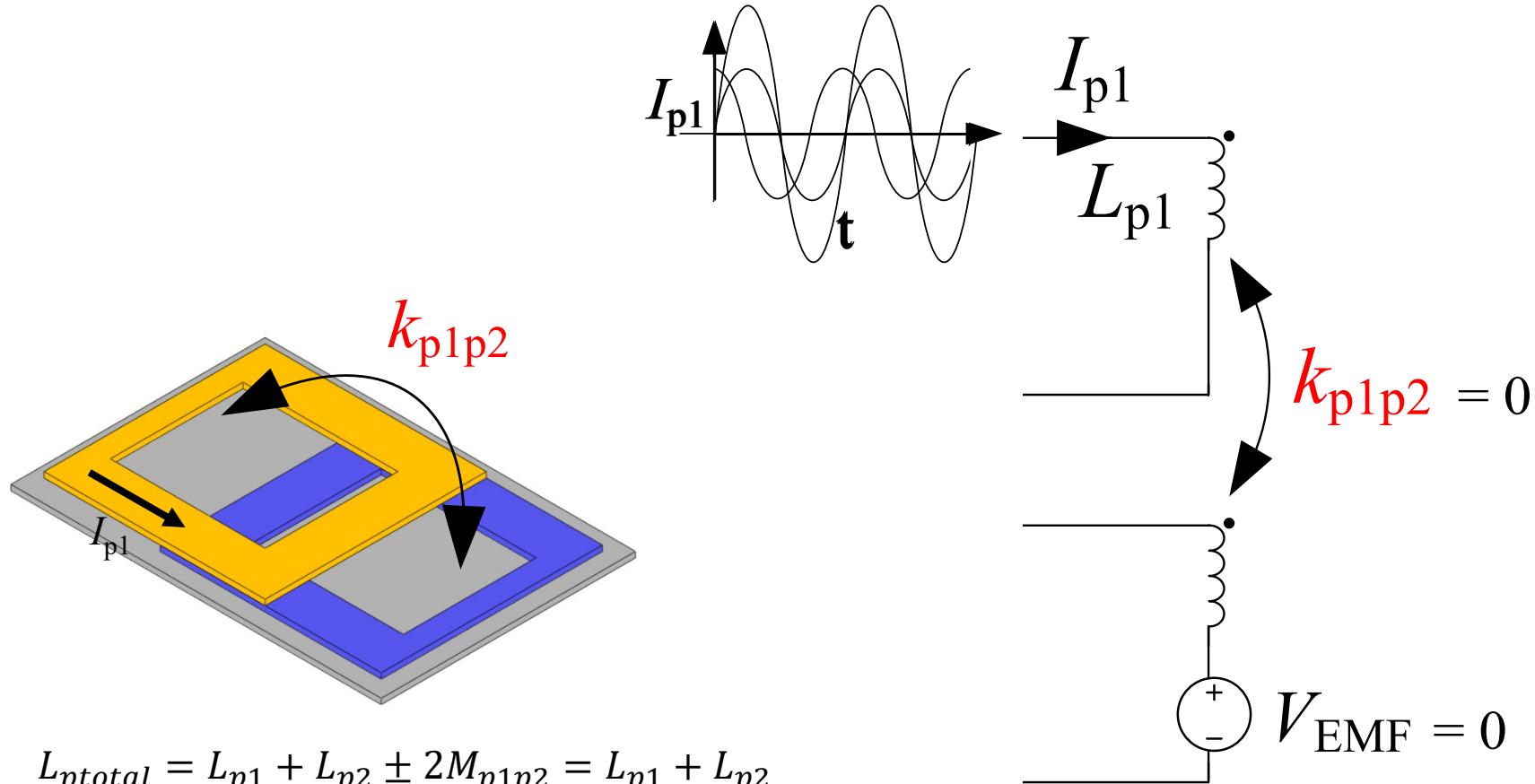
# Mutual decoupling

- Overlapped coil sees B in two opposing directions
- Overlap size & field strength determines the degree of mutual coupling



# Mutual Decoupling

Minimizing mutual coupling between the primary coils



# Multi-Coil Primaries

Single sided combining non-polarized & polarized

- Increase local coupling
- Improve interoperability
- Enable higher power with lower leakage
- Better ferrite usage
- Increased system complexity

# DDQ or Bipolar Primary Driving Circuit

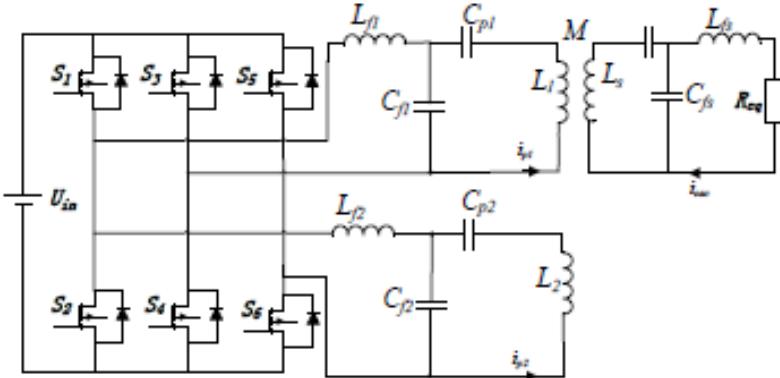


Fig. 5 multiple legs inverter with LCC topology

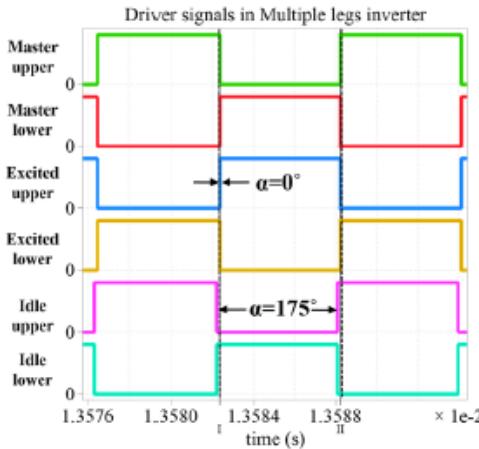


Fig. 6 Driver signals for multiple legs inverter

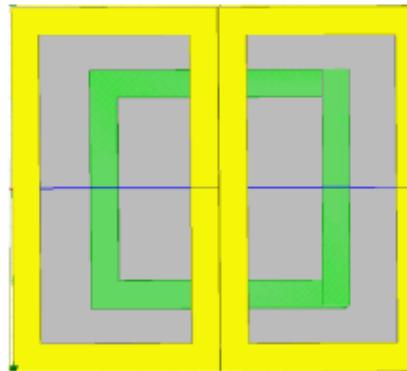
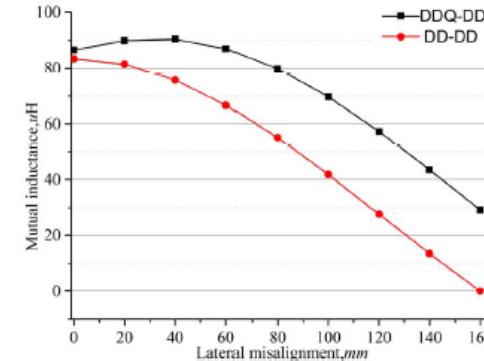
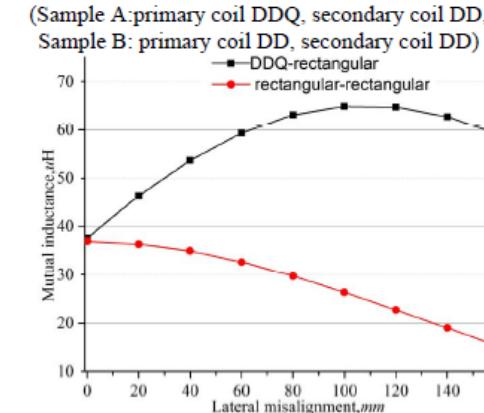


Fig. 2 DDQ coupler

Chongqing University, China



(a) Comparison with the mutual inductance variation between DDQ to DD coils and DD to DD coils



(b) Comparison with the mutual inductance variation between DDQ to rectangular coils and rectangular to rectangular coils

(Sample A: primary coil DDQ, secondary coil DD,  
Sample B: primary coil DD, secondary coil DD)

(Sample C: Primary coil DDQ, secondary coil rectangular,  
Sample D: primary coil rectangular, secondary coil rectangular)

Fig. 3 Mutual inductance variation with different couplers and lateral misalignment

# Leakage flux control of BPPs

Severe misalignment (250mm)

Both BP coils vs. powering only the best coupled coil

Using 1 BP coil shows lower primary VA with better power out and lower leakage

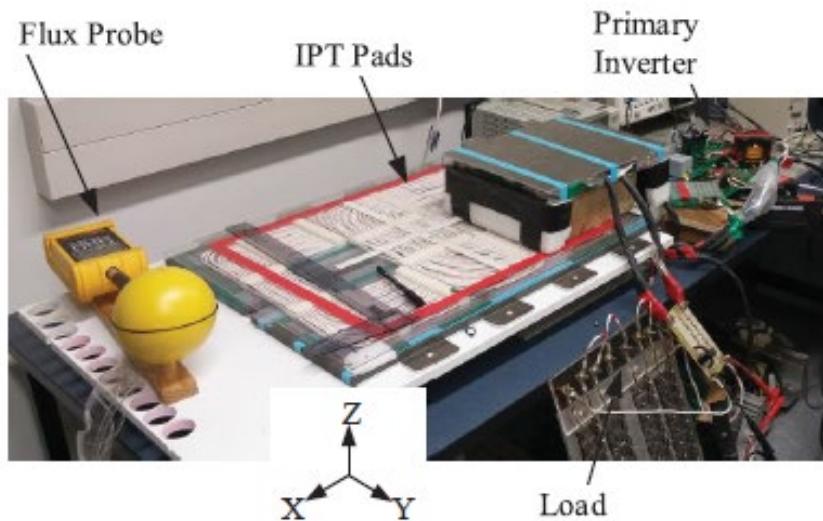


Fig. 7. A laboratory IPT system with a BPP primary and DDP secondary misaligned.

TABLE II  
SIMULATED LEAKAGE FLUX ALONG X AXIS AT 800 mm FOR A FIXED  
 $I_1 = 27.69$  A AS  $Q_2$  VARIES AT THE MOST MISALIGNED POSITION OF  
(-250,100) MM.

$Q_2$	$I_{\text{coil}}$ (A)	$S_1 = 20.5$ kVA		$S_{1a} = 10.2$ kVA	
		$X_{\text{LN},12}$ ( $\mu\text{T}$ )	$P_{o,12}$ (W)	$X_{\text{LN},1a2}$ ( $\mu\text{T}$ )	$P_{o,1a2}$ (W)
0	2.44	28.17	0	14.96	0
1	3.45	28.17	166	15.49	239
2	5.45	28.19	332	15.88	479
3	7.72	28.23	498	16.31	719
4	10.07	28.28	664	16.76	959
5	12.45	28.35	829	17.22	1198
6	14.85	28.42	995	17.70	1438
7	17.26	28.51	1061	18.17	1678
8	19.68	28.61	1327	18.64	1917
9	22.11	28.73	1493	19.11	2157
10	24.53	28.86	1658	19.58	2396

# Secondary Control Needed (within limits)

Both secondary & primary control = lower loss and lower leakage

TABLE III  
MEASURED VALUES TO OBTAIN 1 kW UNDER DOUBLE COIL OPERATION (S = SERIES, P = PARALLEL TUNING).

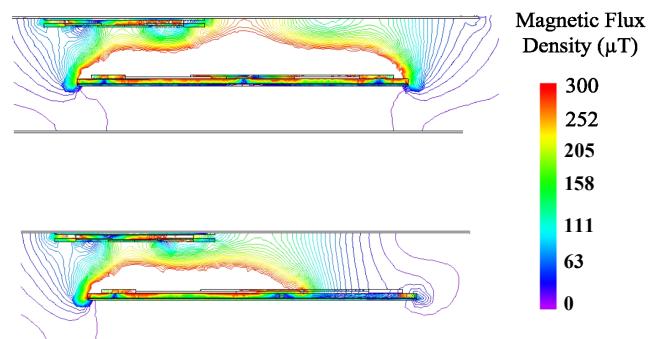
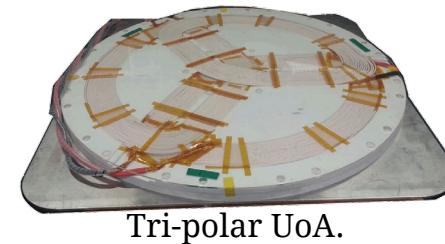
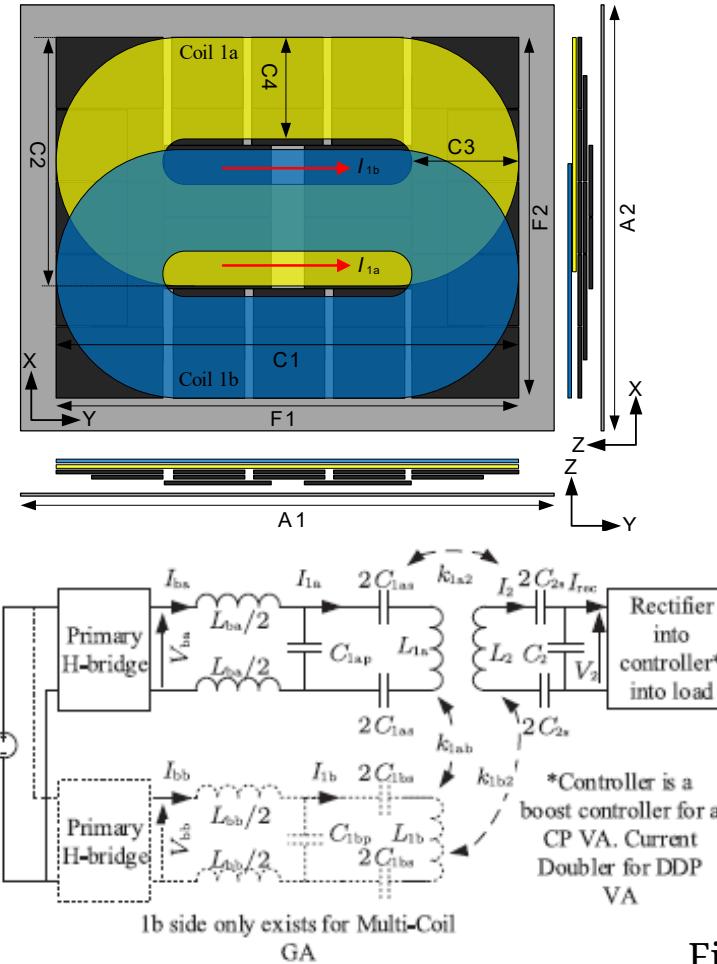
Load R (Ω)	$I_1$ (A)	$I_{\text{coil}}$ (A)	$V_{\text{out}}$ (V)	$I_{\text{out}}$ (A)	$P_{\text{out}}$ (W)	$P_{\text{in}}$ (W)	$\eta$ (%)	$X_{\text{LN},12,m}$ (μT)	$Q_2$	$PPL_X$ ( $\frac{W}{\mu\text{T}}$ )	$Y_{\text{LN},12,m}$ (μT)	$PPL_Y$ ( $\frac{W}{\mu\text{T}}$ )
4Ω S	27.69	15.78	63.82	15.78	1007.1	1066.3	94.44	29.63	6.3	33.75	4.16	240.4
8Ω S	38.69	11.01	90.7	11.01	998.6	1090	91.62	41.27	3.3	24.23	5.68	176.1
8Ω P	38.01	36.18	89.4	11.18	999.5	1094.3	91.33	37.7	3.3	26.53	4.09	244.5
12Ω P	32.15	43.27	109.4	9.16	1002.1	1073.2	93.75	32.48	4.9	30.79	4.52	221.2
16Ω P	29	49.65	125.9	7.94	999.6	1068.4	93.56	29.89	6.5	33.46	5.41	184.8

All values in this table are measured

TABLE V  
LEAKAGE FLUX FOR A MISALIGNED BPP-DDP SYSTEM WITH SINGLE COIL OPERATION FOR 1 kW OUTPUT, (S = SERIES, P = PARALLEL TUNING).

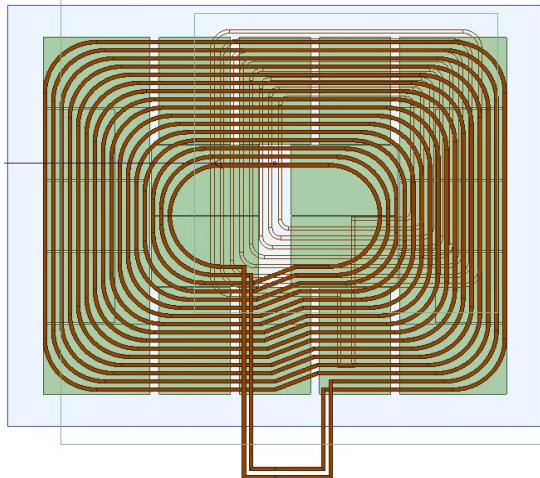
$I_1$ (A)	$I_{\text{coil}}$ (A)	$X_{\text{LN},1a2}$ (μT)	$PPL_X$ ( $\frac{W}{\mu\text{T}}$ )	$Y_{\text{LN},1a2}$ (μT)	$PPL_Y$ ( $\frac{W}{\mu\text{T}}$ )	$P_{\text{out}}$ (W)
Simulation Results						
4Ω S	21.29	15.78	15.89	62.93	3.23	309.6
16Ω P	21.78	52.48	15.79	63.33	3.29	304.0
Practical Validation						
4Ω S	22.44	15.41	14.94	66.93	2.49	401.6
16Ω P	24.92	50.42	16.97	58.9	2.535	394.5
						992

# Multicoil Surface GA

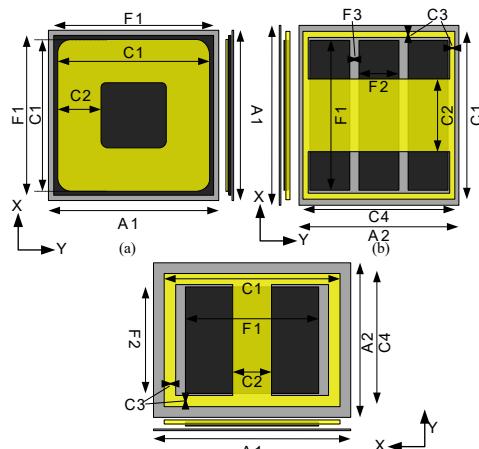


Field shaping increases efficiency & lowers leakage  
Multicoil/multiphase exploits interoperability and improves ferrite use & leakage

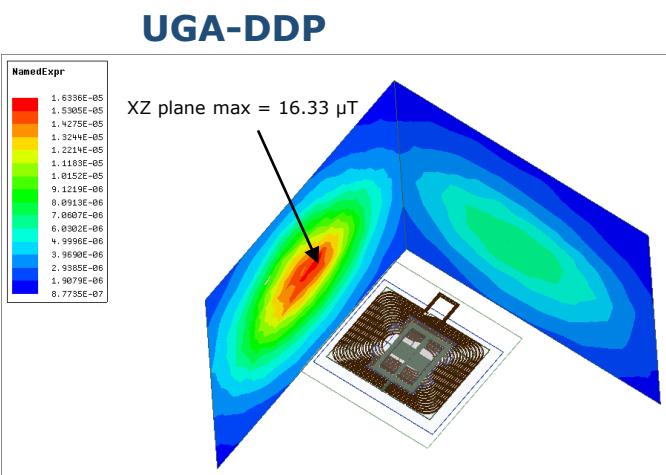
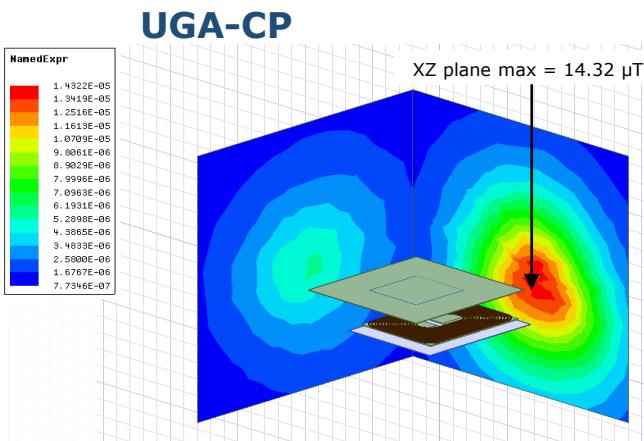
# Example UGA @ WPT2/Z2 VAs



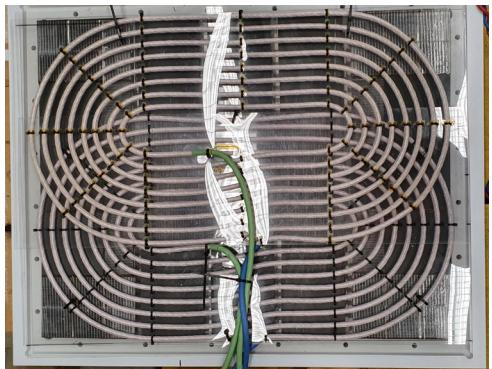
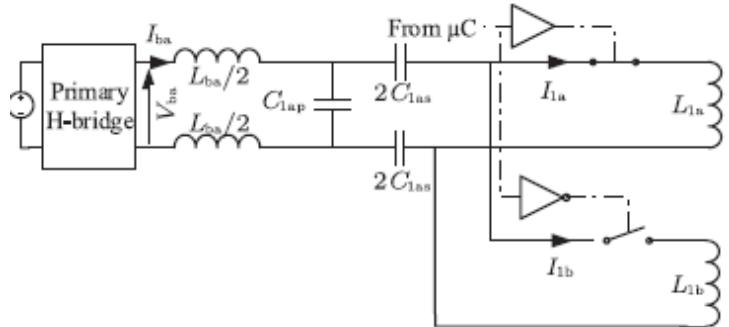
Tested at rated power  
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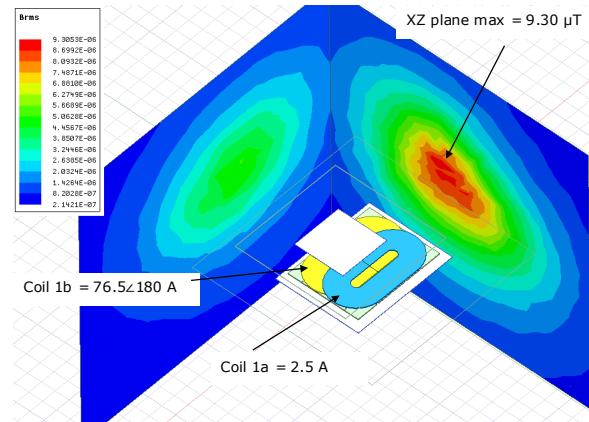
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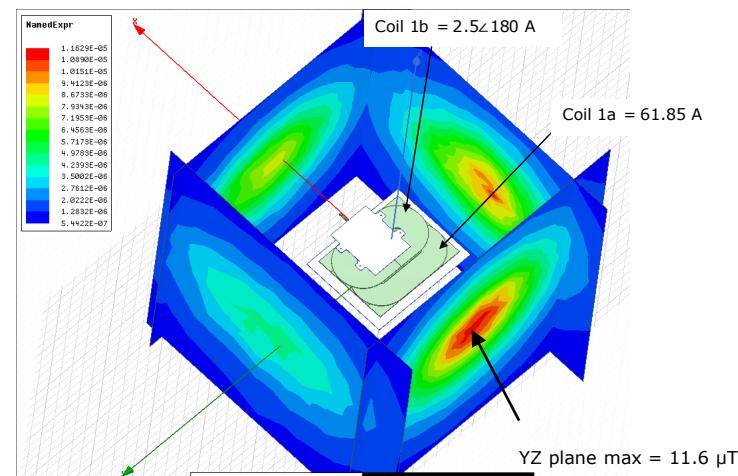
# Multi-Coil Primary: WPT2/Z2 VAs



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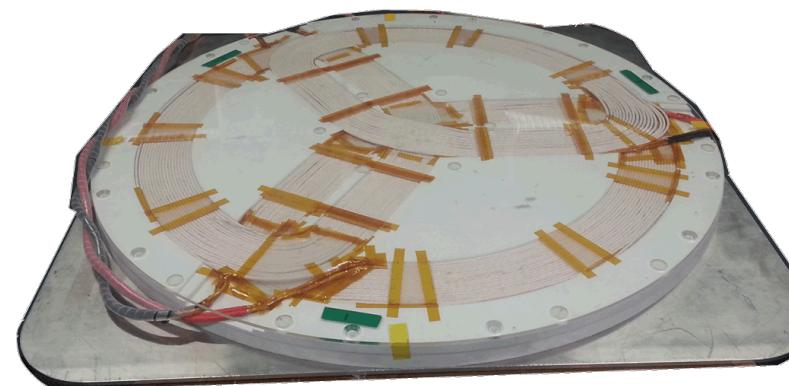
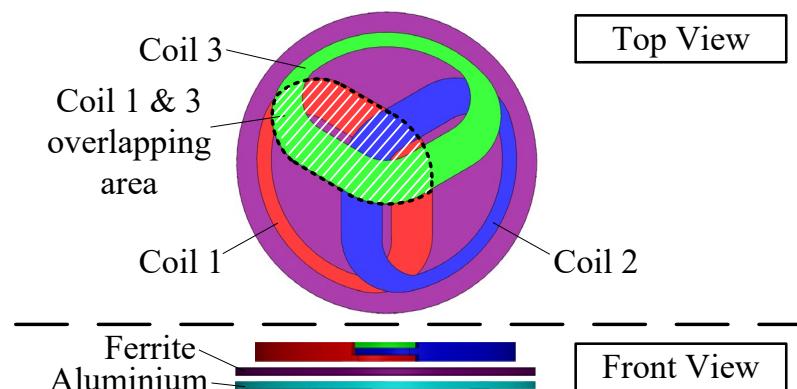


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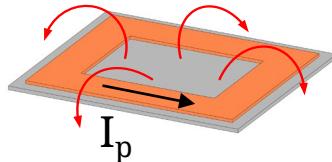
# Tri-polar Pads

- Mutually decoupled coils
- Rotationally tolerant to all including polarised and circular
- Has capability to boost VA in added coil for high power
- Compatible will all other technologies
- Can be used to reduce flux leakage at offset by as much as 50% for identical power transfer

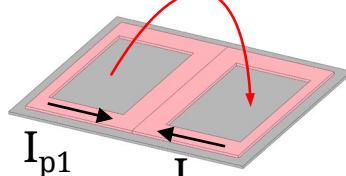


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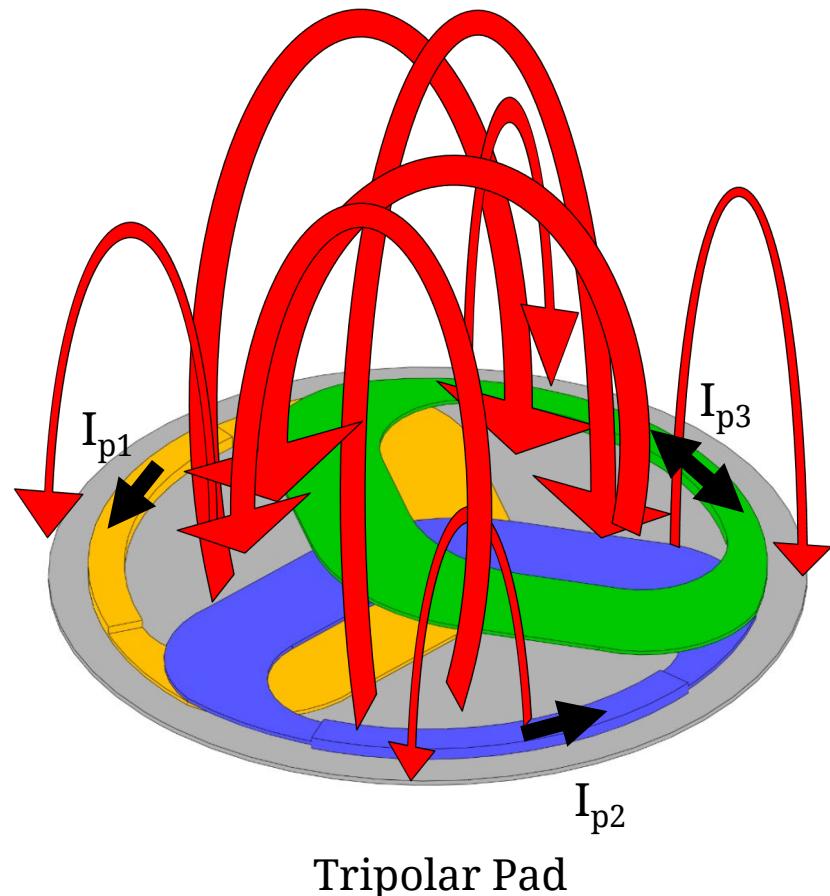
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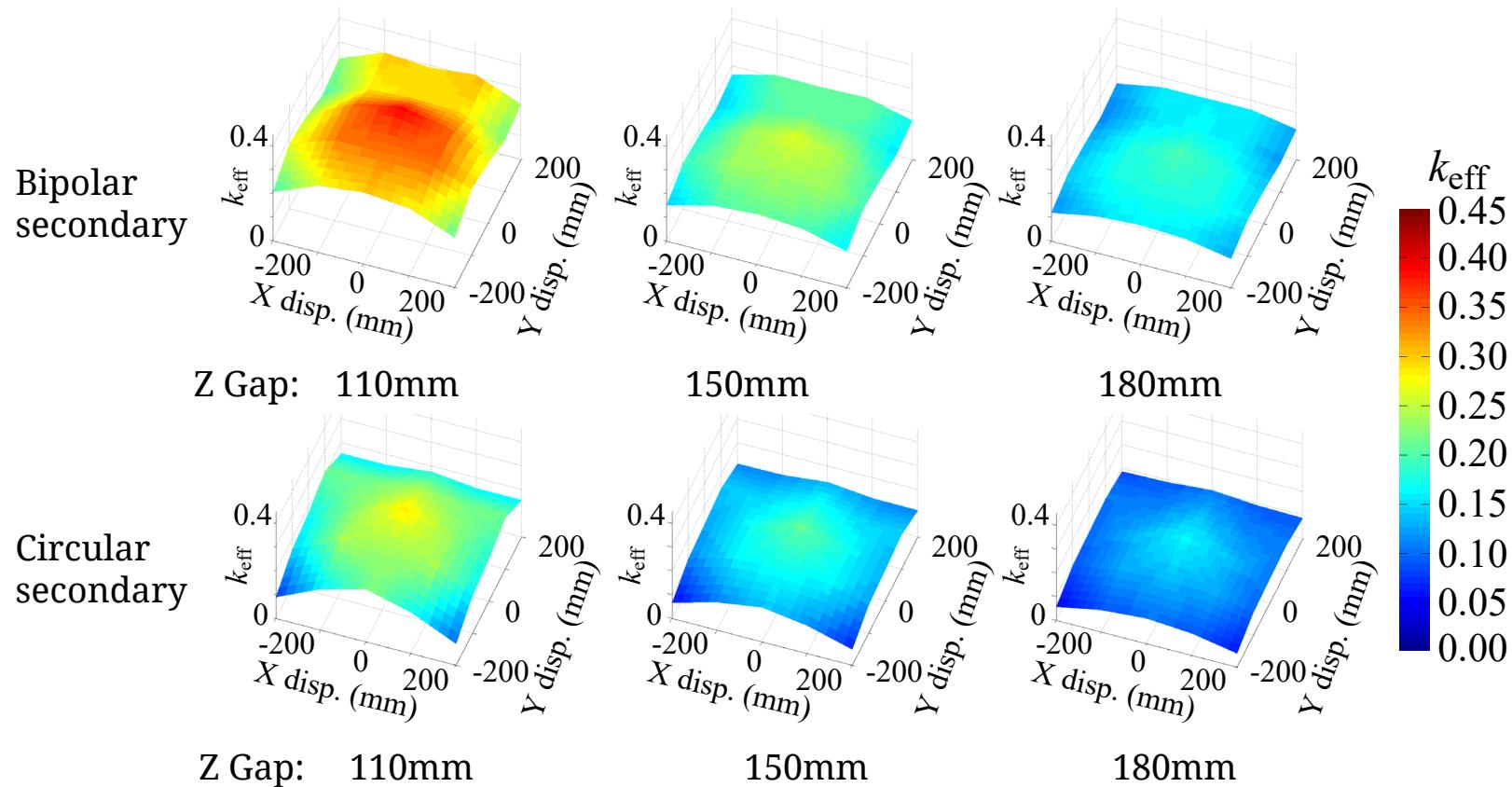
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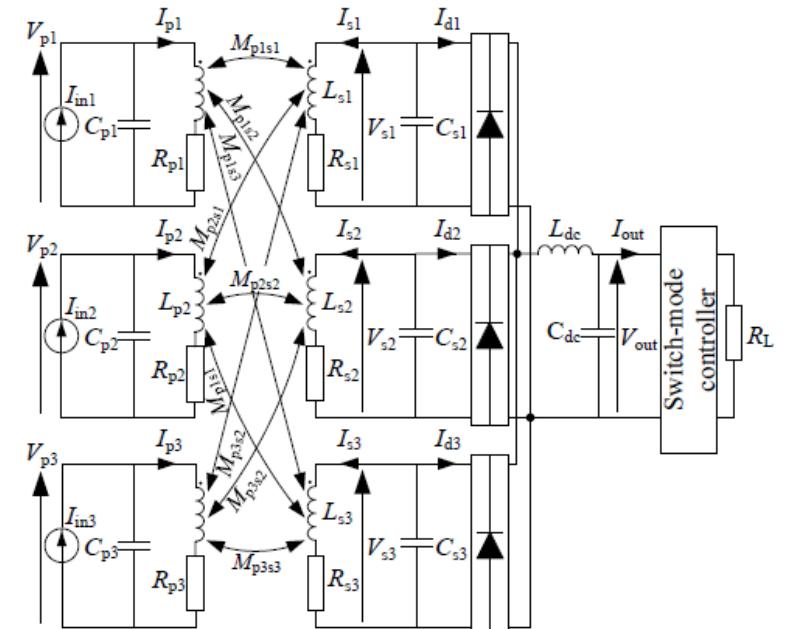
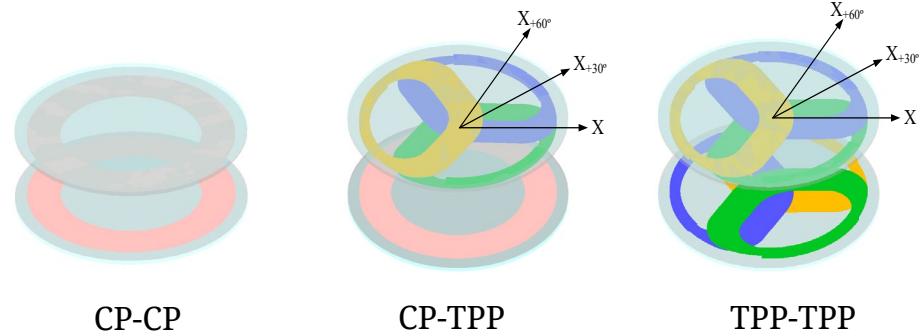
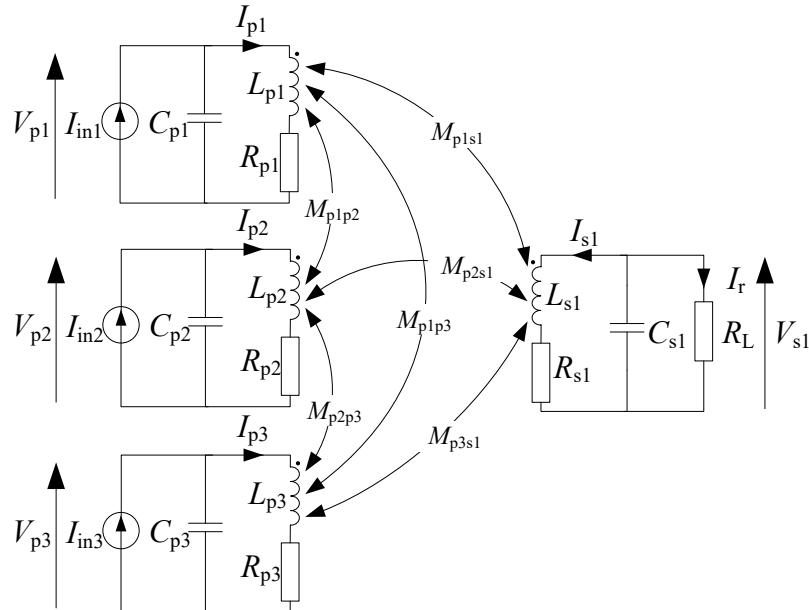
TPP primary to BPP and CP secondary with optimised primary currents at different air gaps and secondary sizes

Primary: TPP - 670mm diameter pads (coil 600mm), Sec: CP – 450mm x 450mm, BPP – 356mm x 576mm

# 20 kW Topologies Evaluated

CP or TPP primaries to CP or TPP secondary

- Identical Cu, Fe, and Al
- 680mm diameter pads (600mm coil diameter)
- 150mm air gap
- Designed for 20kW at 85kHz

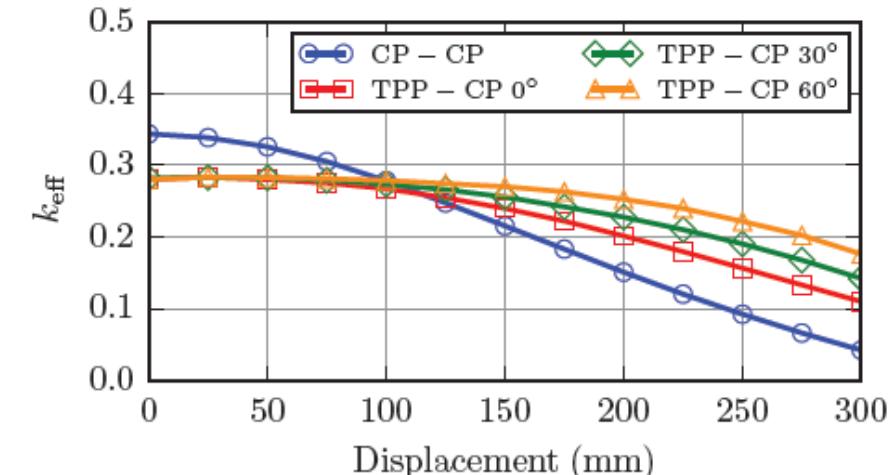
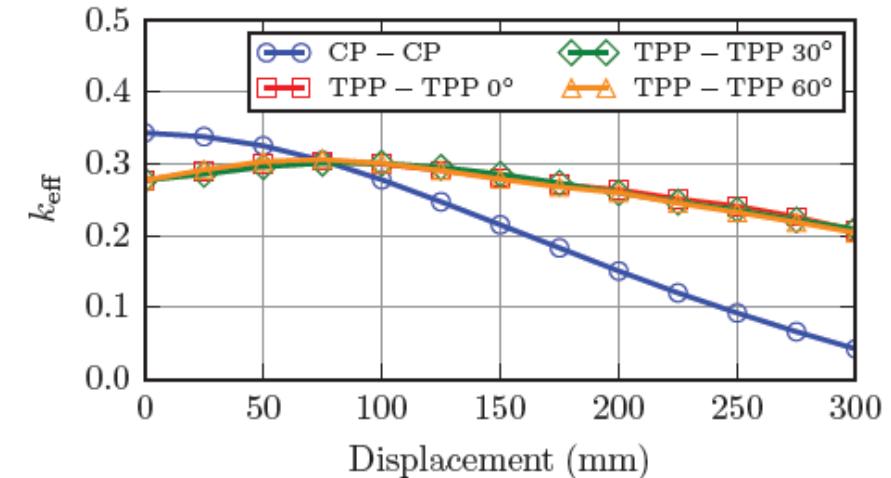
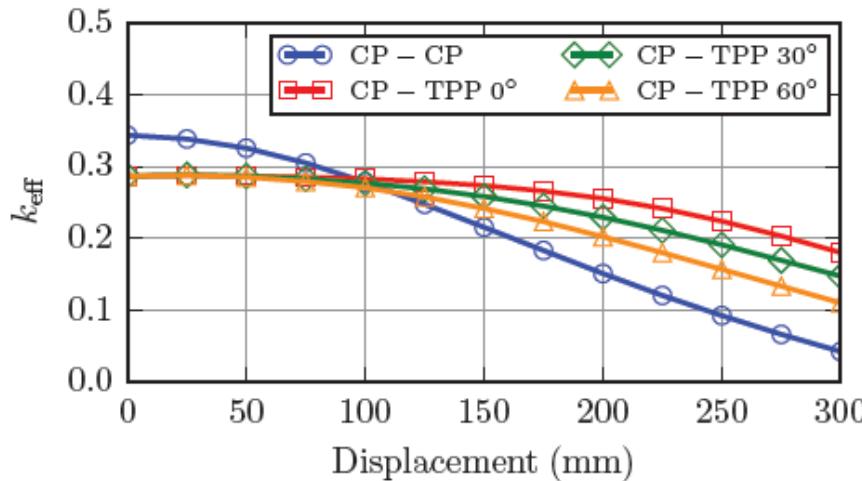


Each coil of the TPP is driven from an LCL tuned inverter

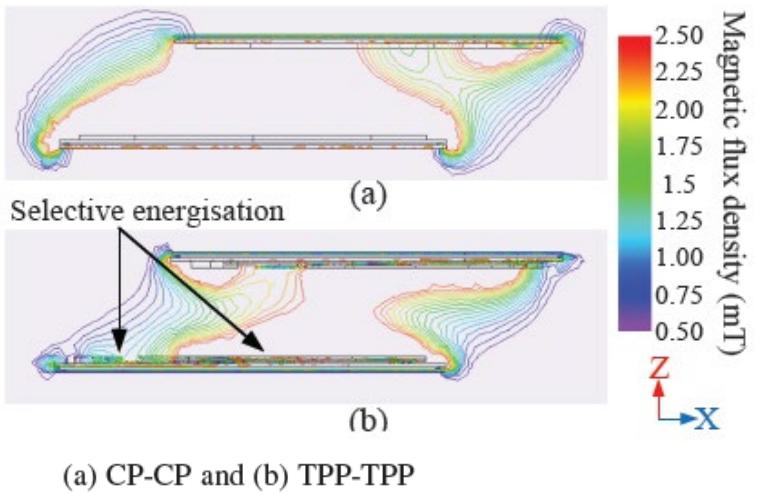
# Effective Coupling Factor ( $k_{\text{eff}}$ )

Multicoil Pads with Decoupled (independent) Windings

- $k_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum S_u}{\sum VA_p}} = \sqrt{\frac{S_{u1} + S_{u2} + S_{u3}}{VA_{p1} + VA_{p2} + VA_{p3}}}$
- $P_{\text{out}} = k_{\text{eff}} \sqrt{\sum VA_1 \sum VA_2}$



# Impact on Leakage



(a) CP-CP and (b) TPP-TPP

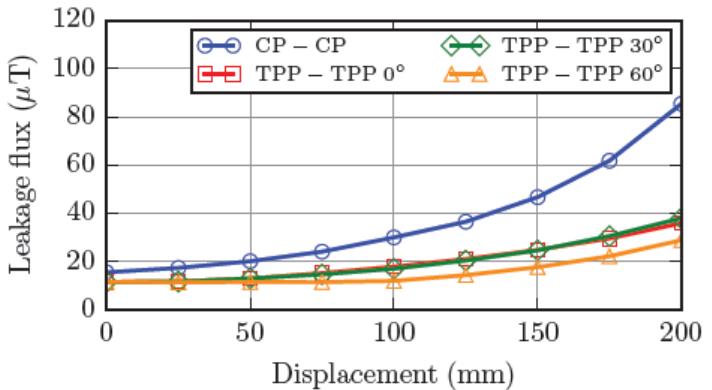


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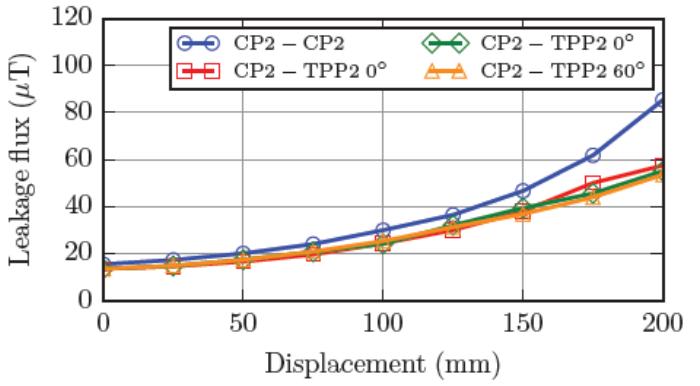


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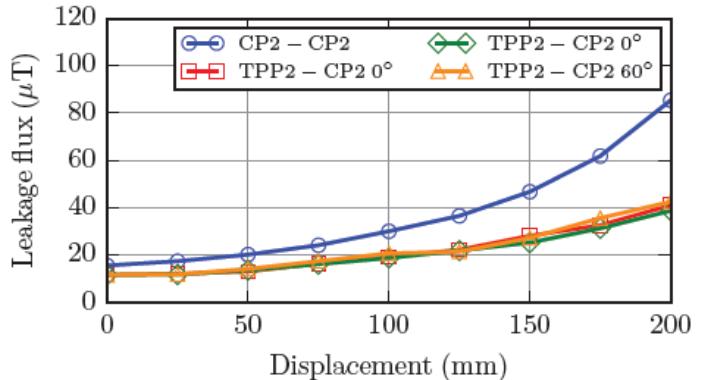
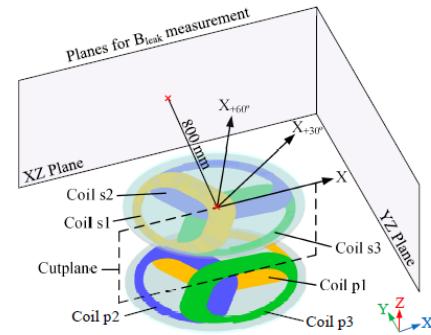


Fig. 15:  $B_{\text{leak}}$  for CP-CP and TPP-CP for 20 kW at 150 mm air gap.



# Ratings of Electronics for 20 kW

TABLE II: Distribution of real and apparent power in CP-CP and TPP-TPP systems\*

(mm)	CP-CP 360 $V_{out}$		CP-CP 800 $V_{out}$		TPP-TPP 0° 360 $V_{out}$							
	(kVA)	(kW)	(kVA)	(kW)	(kVA)	(kVA)	(kW)	(kW)	(kW)	(kW)		
Disp. 100	$S_p$ 99.74	$P_p$ 20.83	$S_p$ 42.95	$P_p$ 21.26	$S_{p1}$ 26.31	$S_{p2}$ 5.96	$S_{p3}$ 28.25	$S_{p\text{ total}}$ 60.52	$P_{p1}$ 8.56	$P_{p2}$ 3.09	$P_{p3}$ 9.59	$P_{p\text{ total}}$ 21.24
Disp. 100	$S_s$ 53.76	$P_s$ 20.19	$S_s$ 129.15	$P_s$ 20.19	$S_{s1}$ 35.69	$S_{s2}$ 33.98	$S_{s3}$ 32.64	$S_{s\text{ total}}$ 102.31	$P_{s1}$ 8.27	$P_{s2}$ 5.91	$P_{s3}$ 5.94	$P_{s\text{ total}}$ 20.12

Summary:

Leakage reduction of 43%

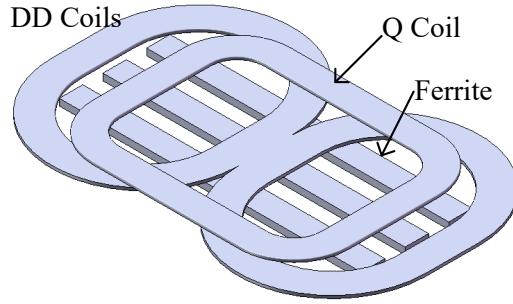
Component ratings each phase of TPP, against CP:

TPP/phase: H-bridge & rectifiers ½ rating of CP, resonant components 1/3 of CP

# Multicoil Vehicle COUPLERS

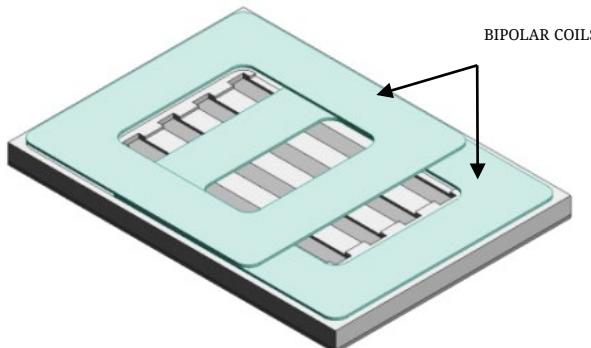
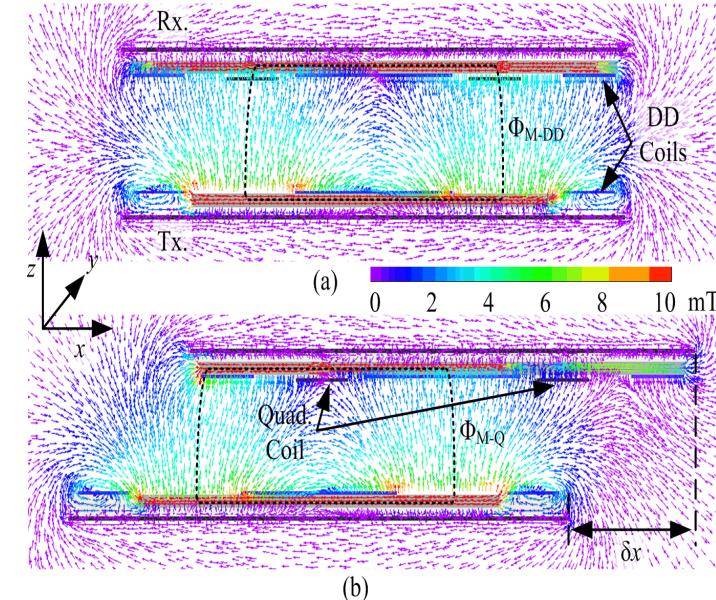
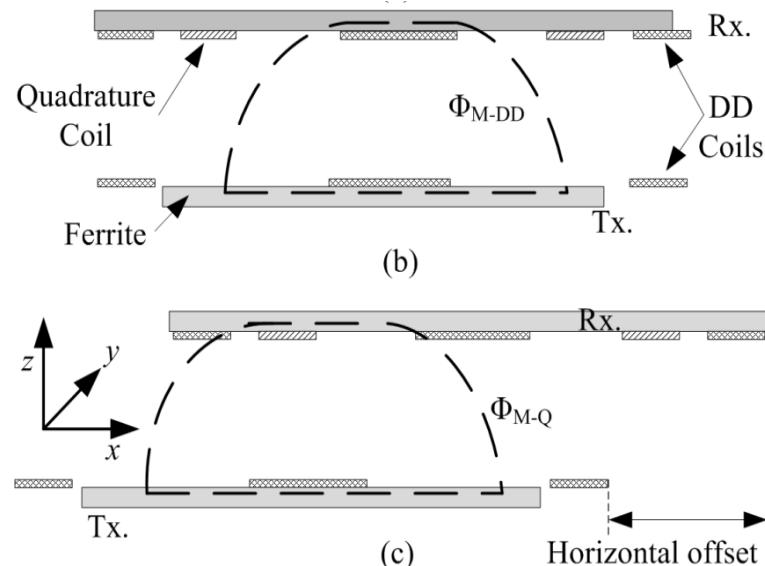
- Provide wider misalignment tolerance
- Better transition for stationary to dynamic
- Reduced sensitivity to varying coupling
- Improved system efficiency

# Multi-coil DDQ and Bipolar Secondaries



DDQ combines DD & Circular  
Improves secondary lateral tolerance  

- DD captures horizontal flux at centre
- Circular captures vertical flux at centre

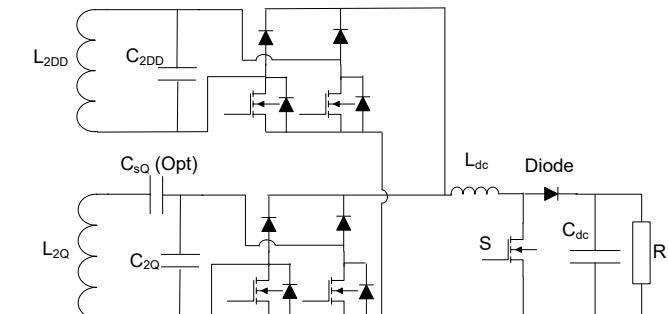
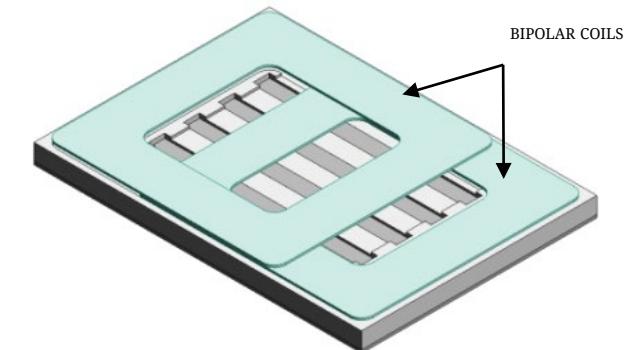
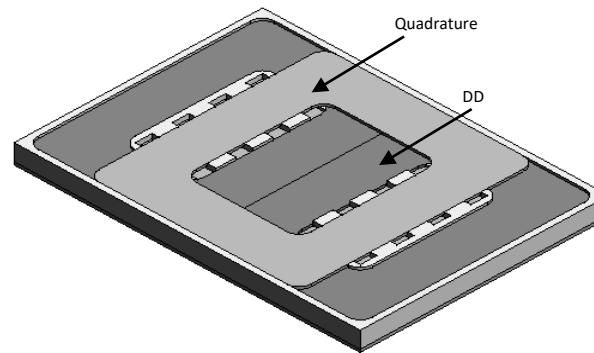
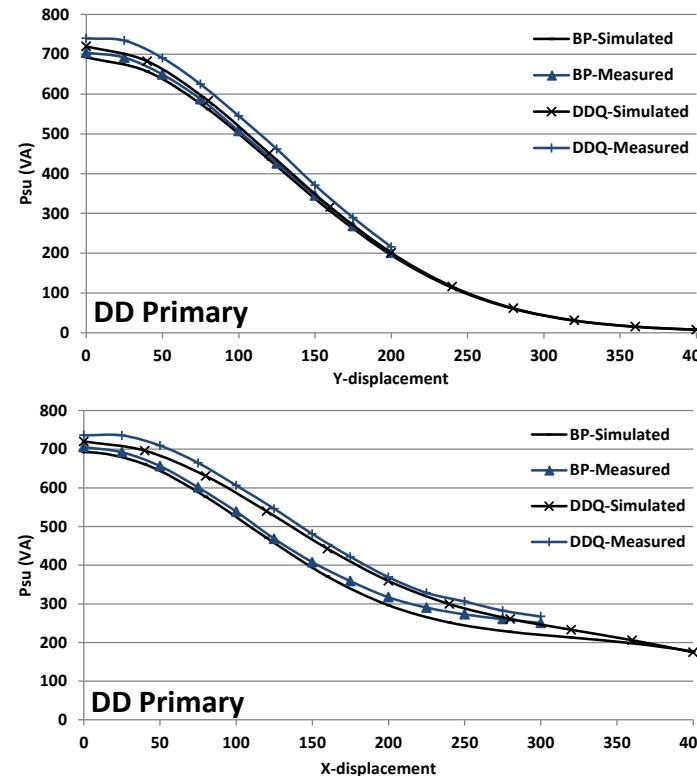
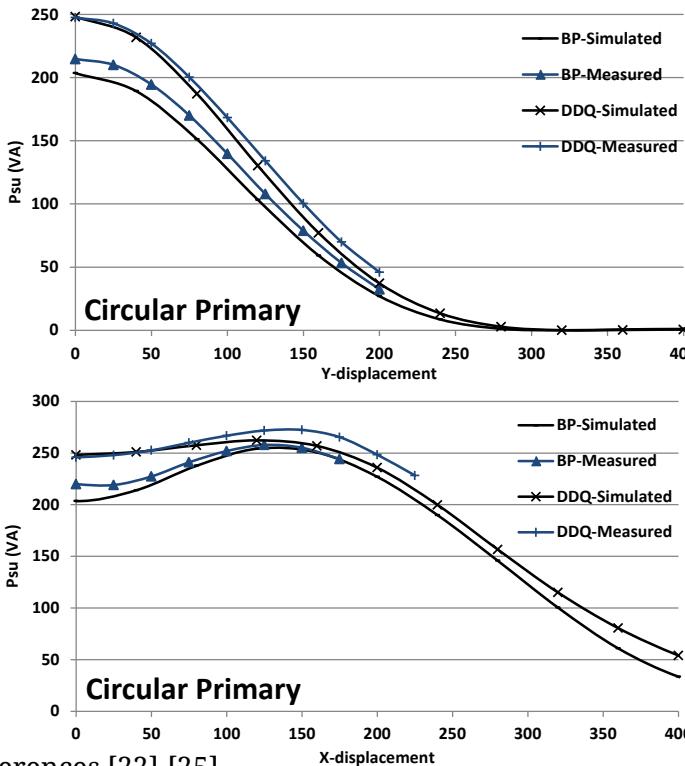


Bipolar:  
 Requires 25-30% less copper than DDQ  
 Power capture < 10% difference from DDQ

# Multi-coil Secondary Comparisons

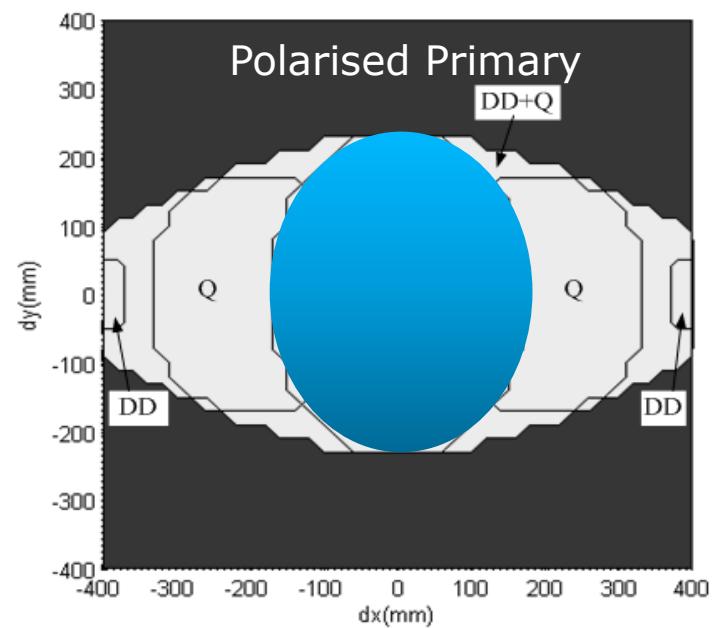
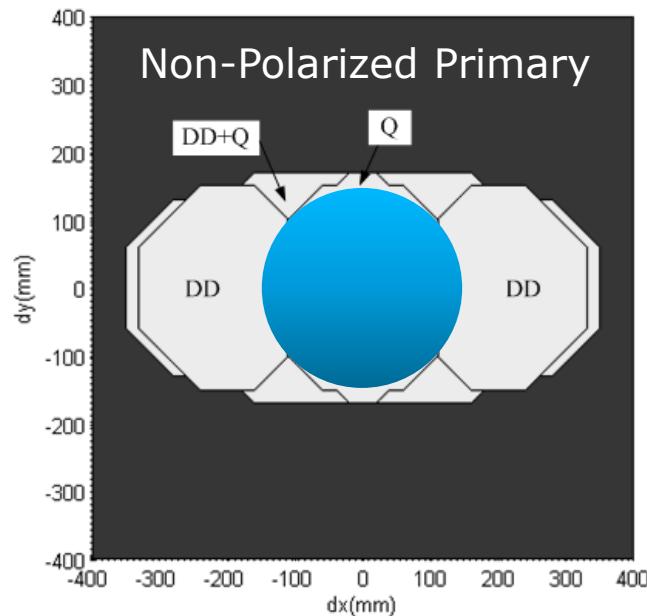
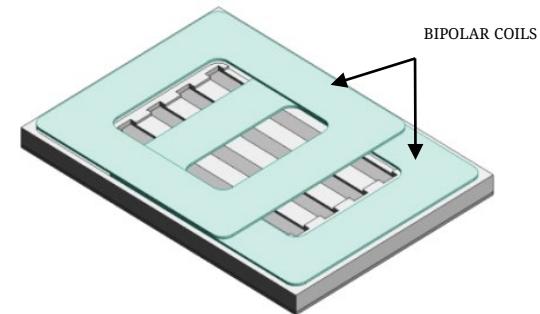
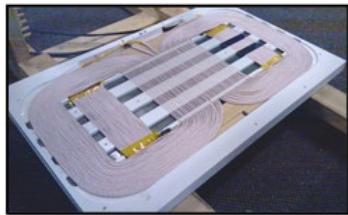
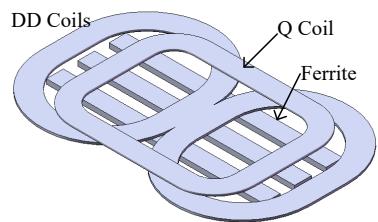
Both include two independent coils each with high  $Q_L$

- Enable similar power transfer
- Either coil can be shut down when not needed to maximise  $\zeta$



Ex: Combining current sourced secondaries when the primary current is controlled

# Multi-coil Secondaries on Various Primaries

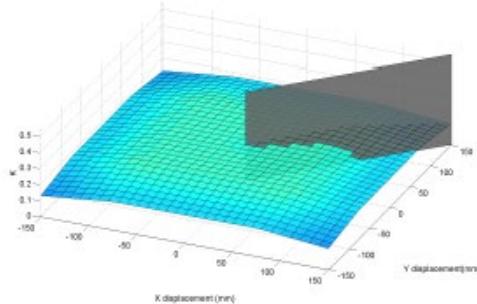


Power transfer zone is 3 x larger  
 Higher lateral parking tolerance possible  
 Minimises power pulsations in dynamic applications

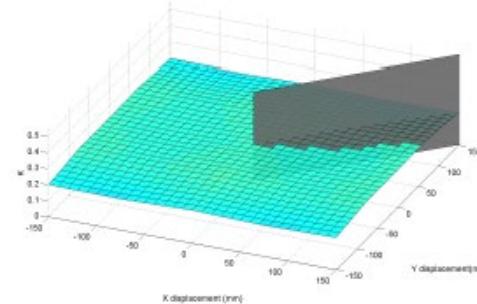
# Bipolar Interoperability

Coupling factors for mismatched primary and secondary pads

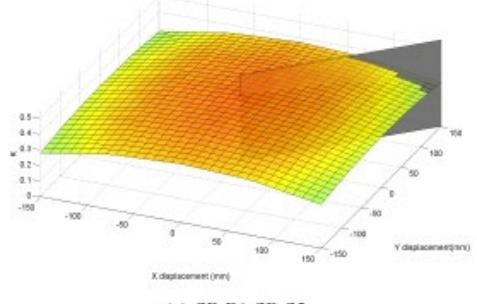
Bipolar, circular and solenoid options of identical area



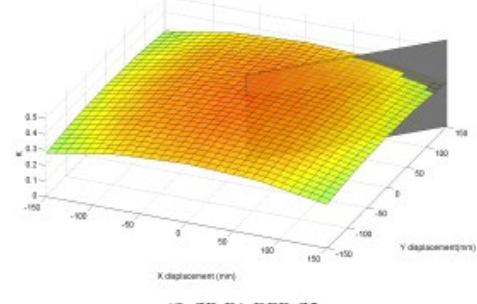
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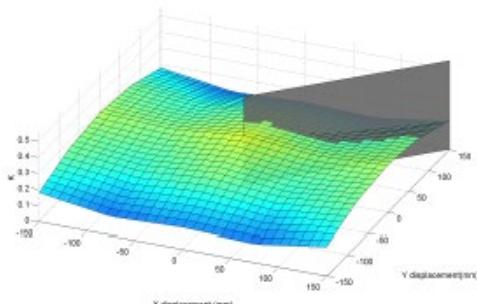
(b) CP P1-BPP S2



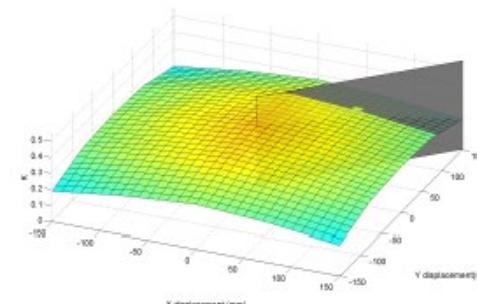
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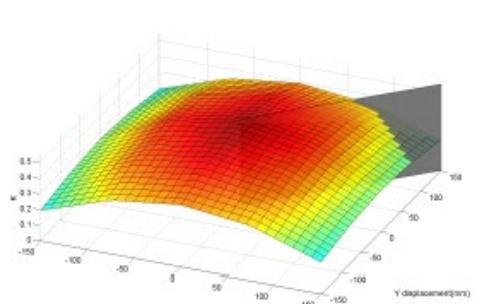
(f) SP P1-BPP S2



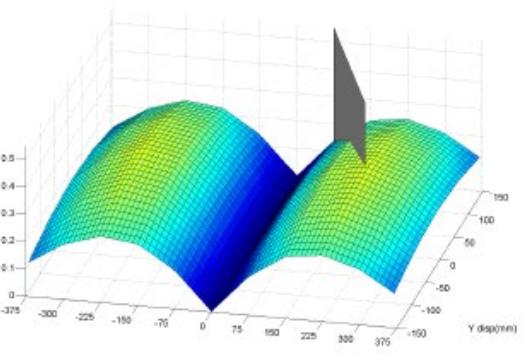
(c) BPP P1-CP S2



(d) BPP P1-BPP S2



(g) BPP P1-SP S2



(h) CP P1-SP S2

# Intermediate Couplers

# Resonant Repeaters

## Resonant repeaters applications

- Extending power transfer over a large gap using high quality ferrite-less coils
- Domino effect splitting can be effective for splitting and movement – e.g. robotics
- Co-planar magnetics series/parallel shows it only improves series tuned primaries by lowering the current from the inverter

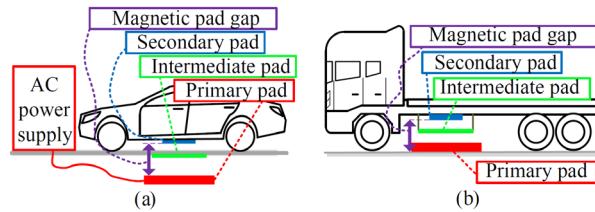
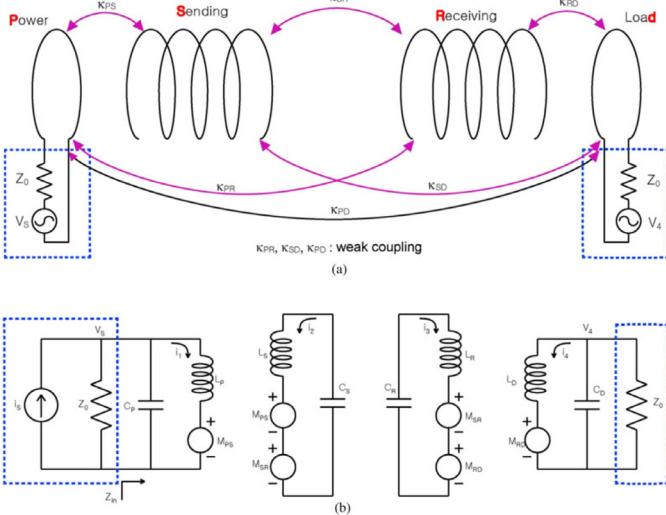


Fig. 1: Overview of a three-coil IPT system where the intermediate is (a) placed flush on the road or (b) attached to the vehicle

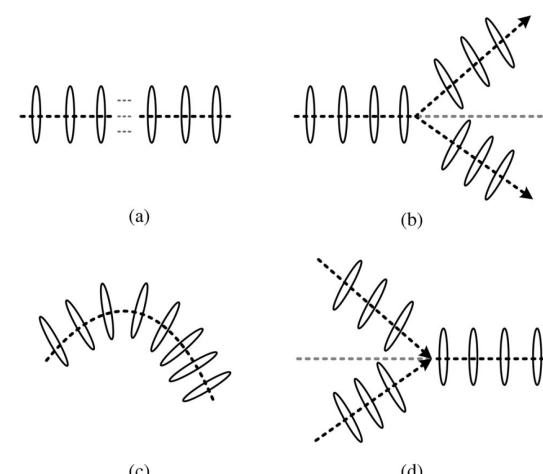


Fig. 9. Examples of domino-resonator arrangements [60]. (a) Straight chain. (b) One chain splitting into two. (c) Curved chain. (d) Two chains emerging into one.

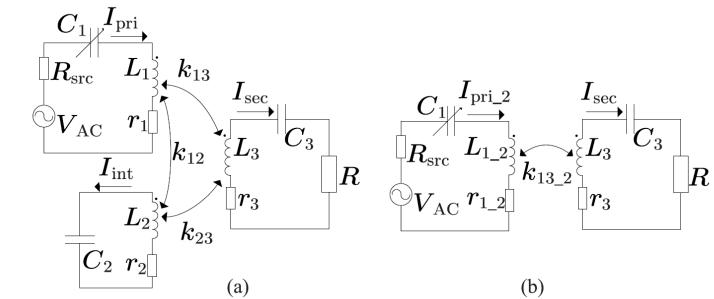


Fig. 15. Series-series-tuned systems with losses in the (a) three coil configuration and (b) its two coil equivalent system.

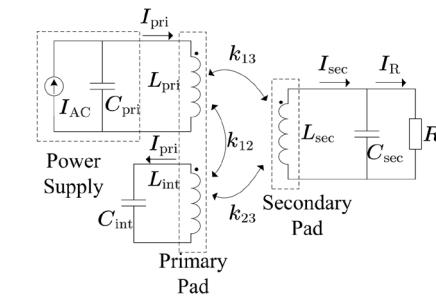


Fig. 2. Three coil, parallel-parallel IPT system with coplanar intermediate coupler in the primary pad.

# Intermediates in use for Traffic lighting:

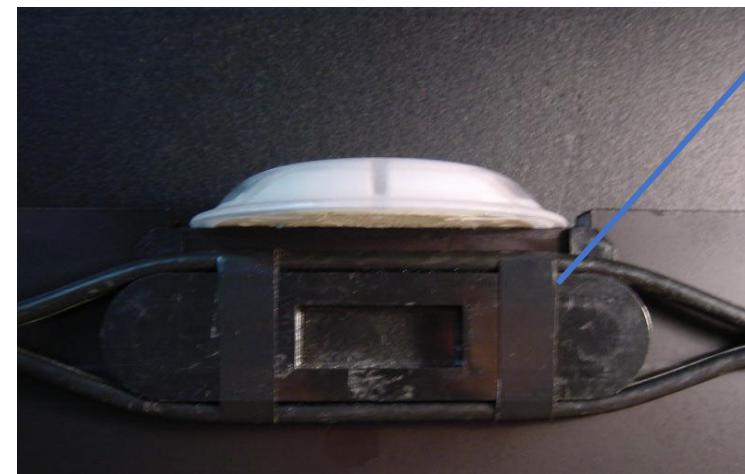
Road studs with flat pick-ups – using resonant intermediate power boost in late 90's



## Installation

- Saw cut (10mm x 60mm)
- Backfill epoxy/bitumim
- Glue stud into recess
- Active node/spacer placed beneath

resonant intermediate



# Coupler Improvements in Coupling?

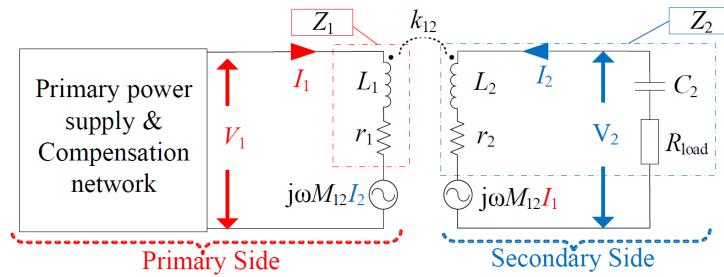
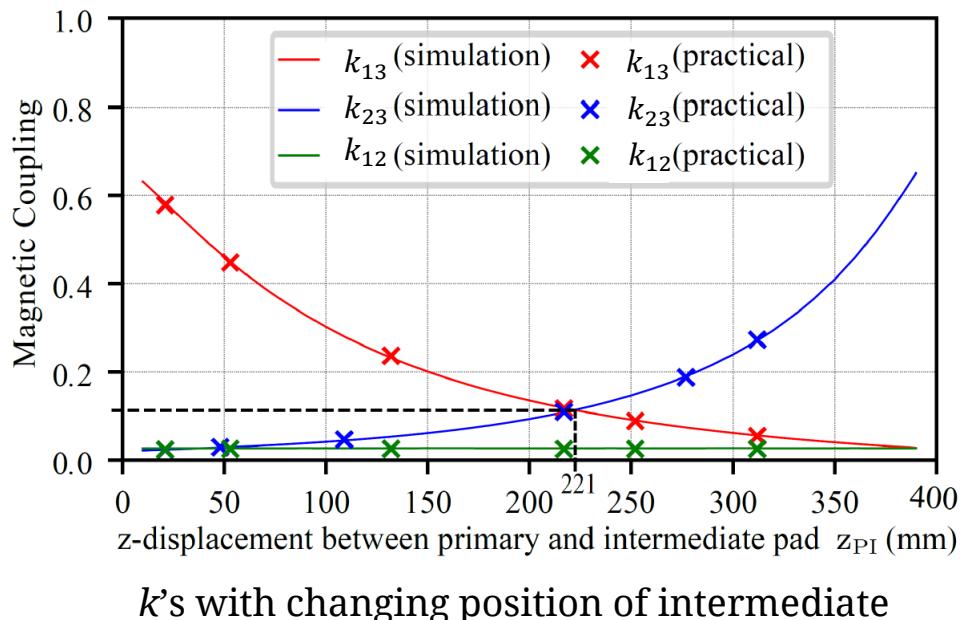


Fig. 2: Mutual inductance model of two-coil IPT system with series tuning on the secondary



$k$ 's with changing position of intermediate

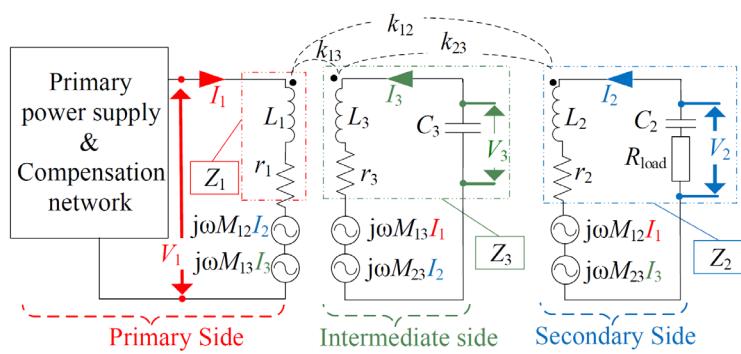


Fig. 3: Model of a three-coil IPT system with an intermediate resonant pad and series tuned secondary

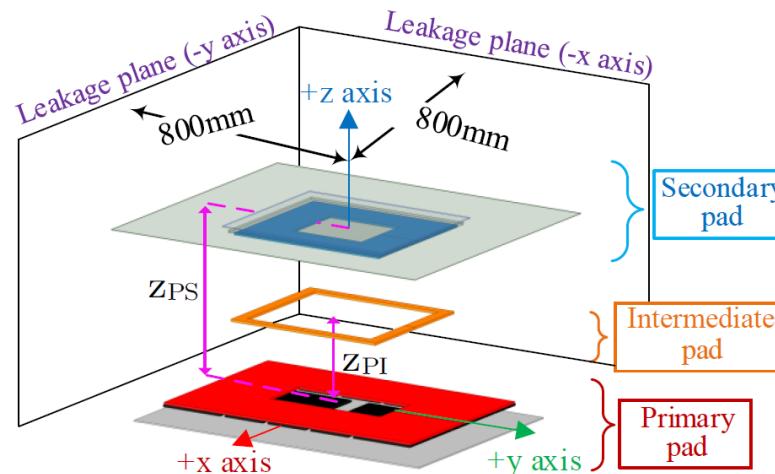


Fig. 5: Layout of the three-coil IPT system

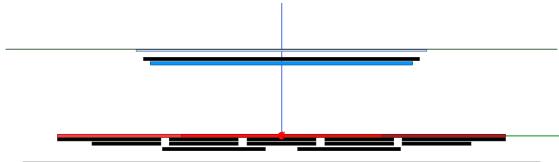
$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = -\frac{M_{13}}{M_{23}} = -\frac{k_{13}}{k_{23}} \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}$$

$$\frac{I_3}{I_1} = -\frac{M_{12}}{M_{23}} - j \frac{M_{13} R_{load}}{\omega M_{23}^2}$$

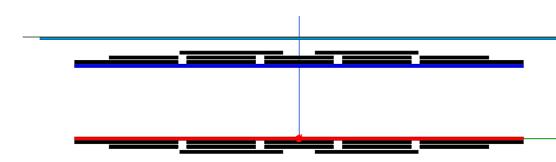
$$P_{load} = \left( \frac{M_{13}}{M_{23}} \right)^2 I_1^2 R_{load}$$

# Coupler Assessments of two coil versus 3 coil

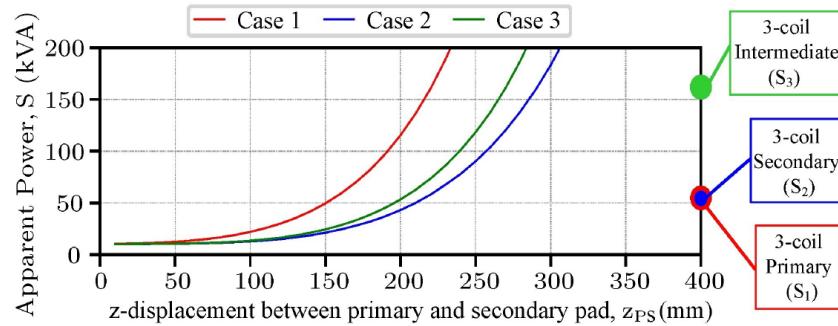
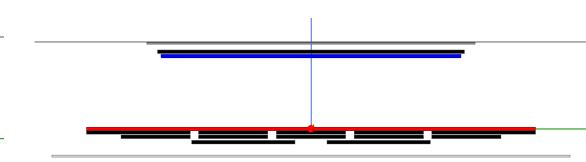
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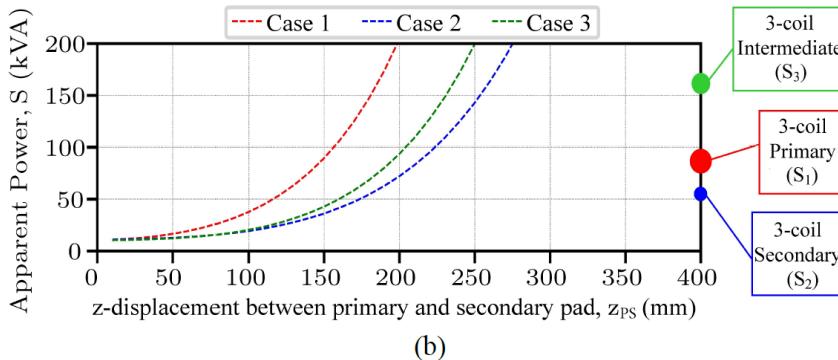
2: Matched Secondary



3: Improved volume VA

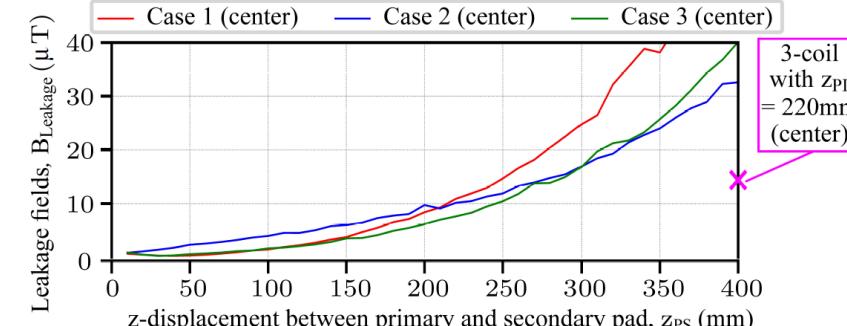


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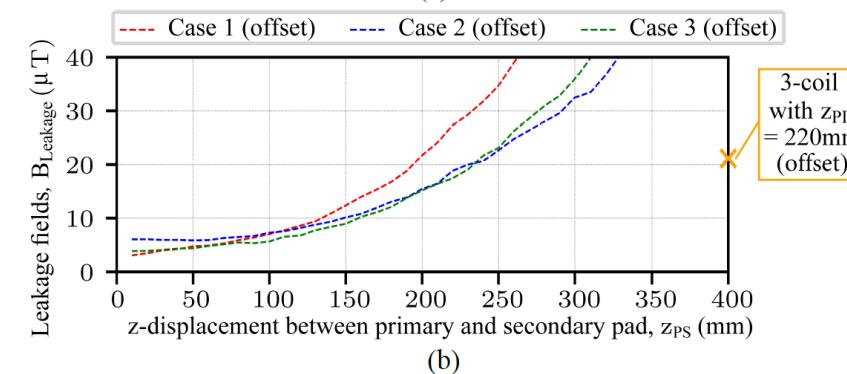


(b)

Fig. 9: Comparison of the apparent power when pads (a) centred (b) offset



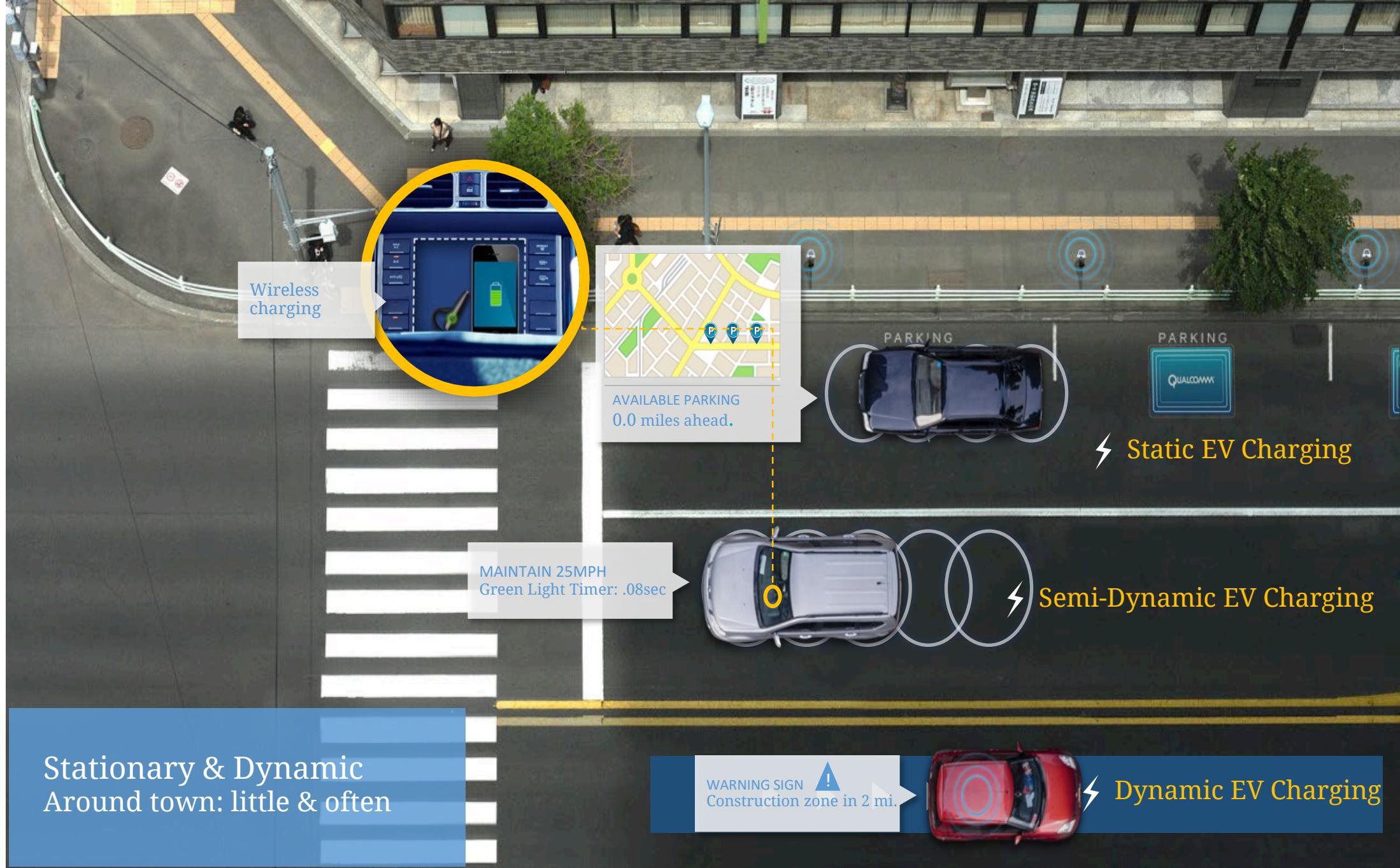
(a)



(b)

Fig. 10: Comparison of the leakage fields in the worst axis when (a) centred and (b) offset

# Future Road Systems



# Roadway Vision

Static, Semi-dynamic, Smart Cities (rail, bus...), Long haul

Taxi-lanes/High Capacity Highways

- Sequentially Energised Pads
- Independently controlled, can track at > 100km/h
- Automated vehicle recognition, billing ...

Vision Challenges:

- Compatibility
- Robustness
- Longevity



# Dynamic Options

- Track options

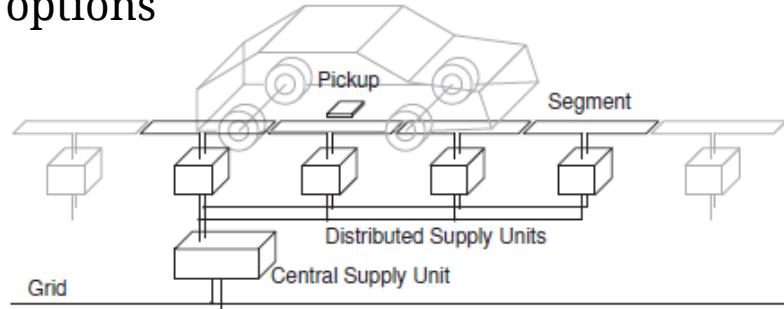


Fig. 1: Segment layout of a dynamic charging system

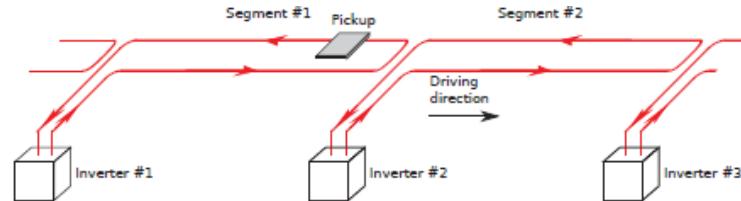


Fig. 4: Single-phase WPT track parallel to track

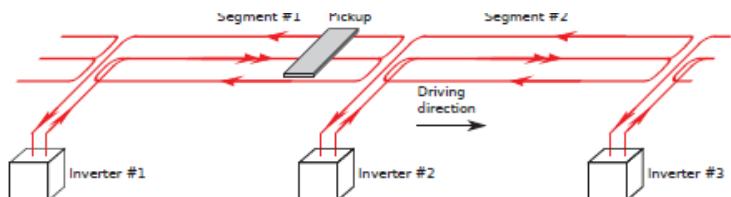


Fig. 5: Single-phase WPT track parallel to track with bipolar structure

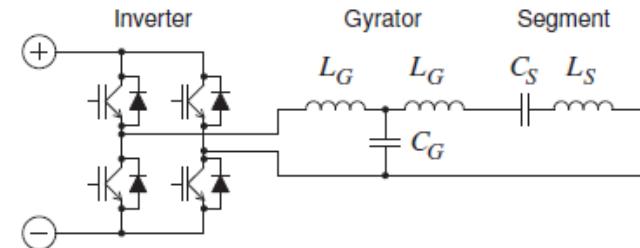


Fig. 3: Circuit of a primary WPT supply unit

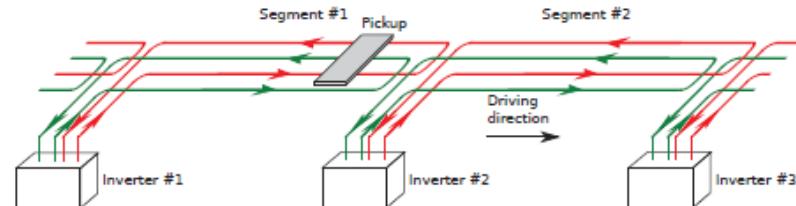


Fig. 6: Dual-phase WPT track parallel to the track

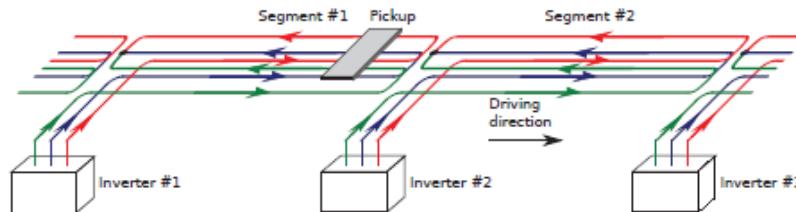


Fig. 7: Three-phase WPT track parallel to track

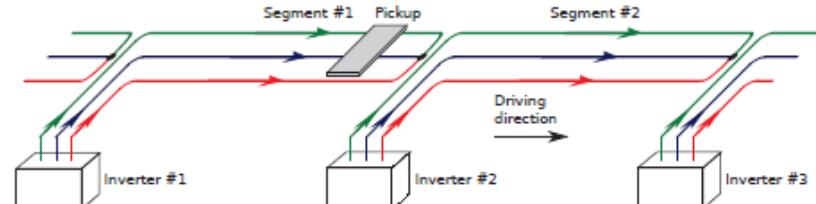


Fig. 8: Three-phase WPT track parallel to track with a star point at the end of segment

# Dynamic Options

- 3 phase always better
- Linear lower cost but meander has higher tolerance and power

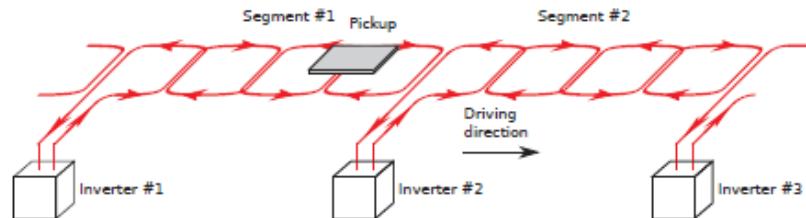


Fig. 11: Single-phase WPT meander track

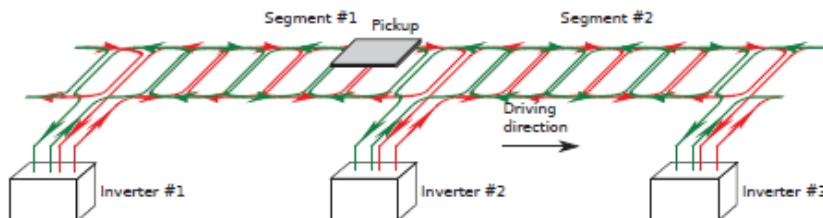


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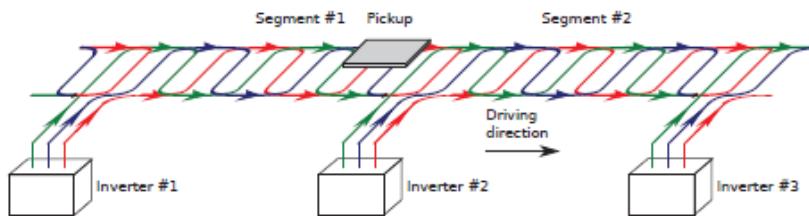
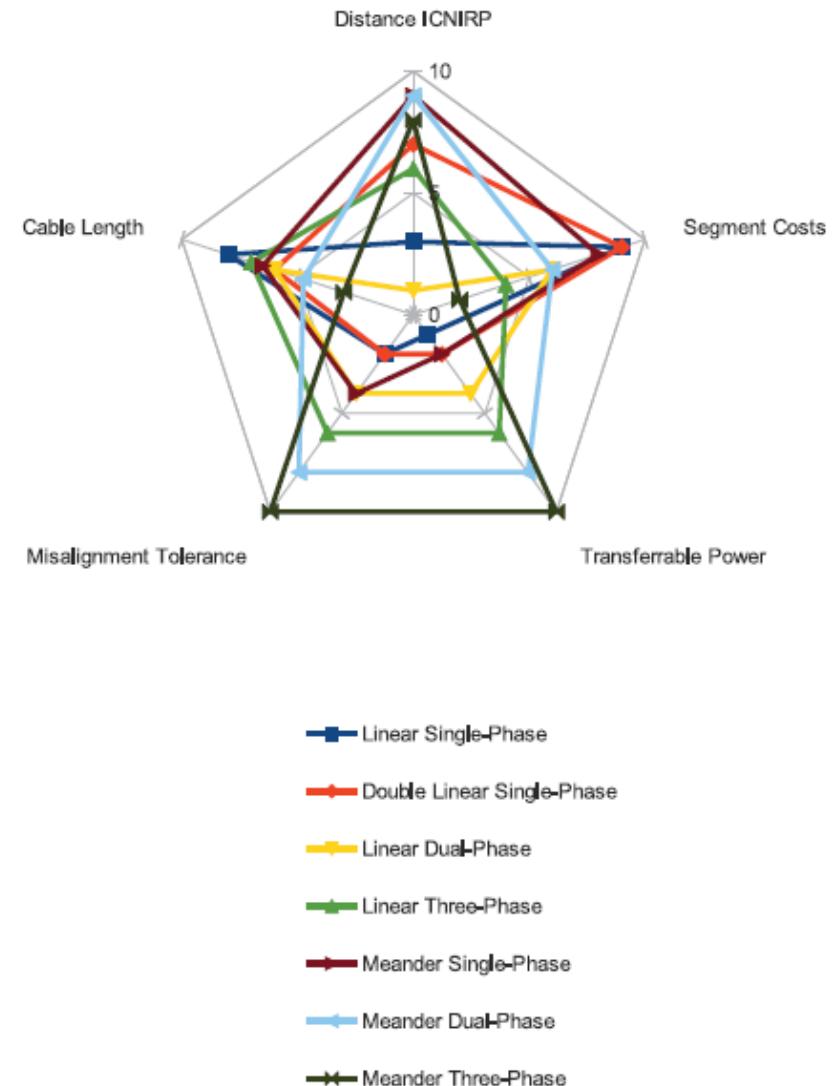
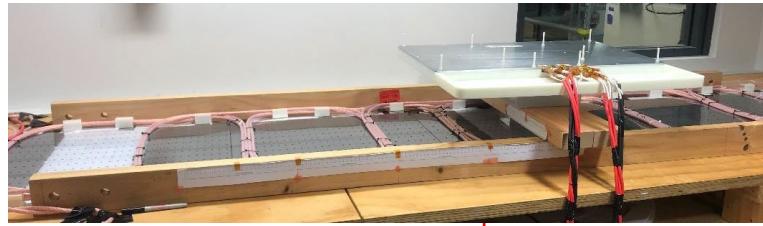
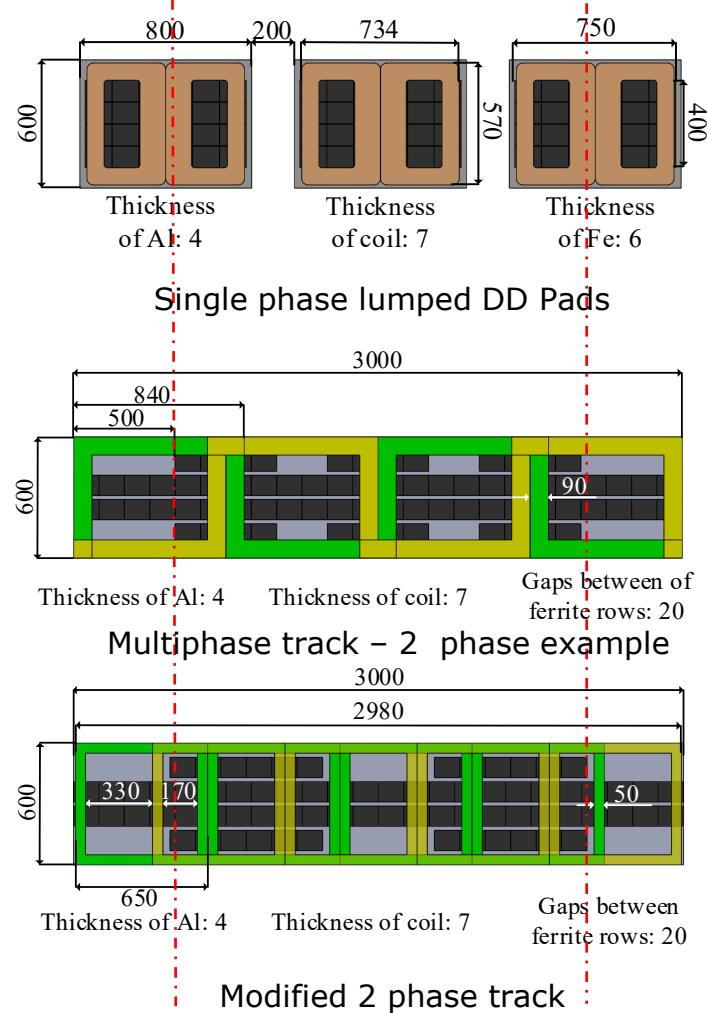


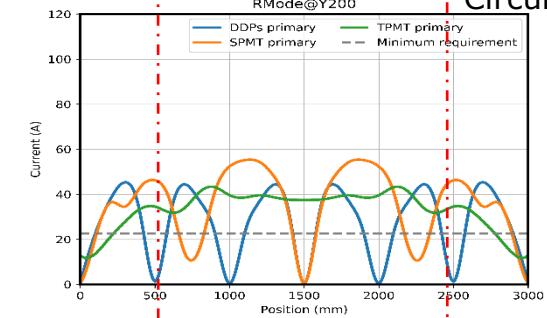
Fig. 14: Three-phase WPT meander track



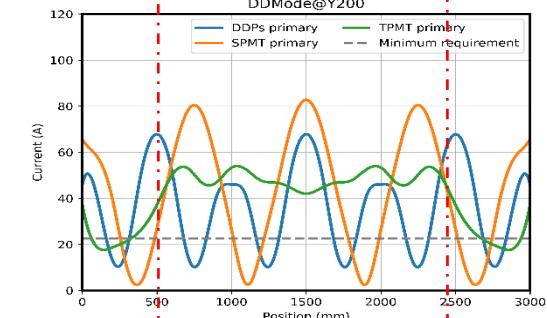
# Lumped or Track?



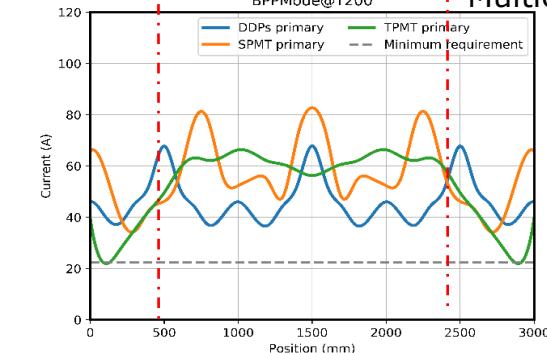
Circular Secondary



DD Secondary



Multicoil Secondary



# Track Roadway Systems

## Example systems

# KAIST Various Generations

Polarised only track and secondary has power nulls

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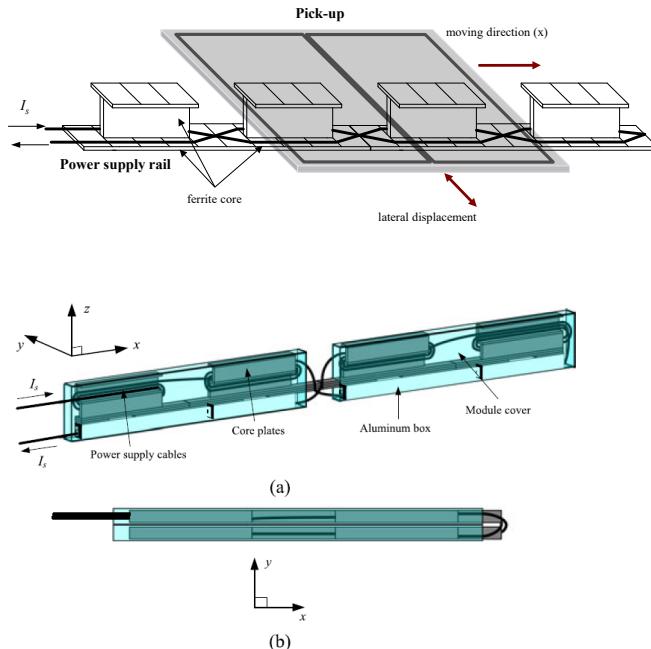


Fig. 5. Configuration of the ultra-slim S-type power supply modules including two magnetic poles [41]. (a) Bird's eye view for two unfolded modules. (b) Top view of a folded module.

20-100kW  
17 cm gap  
Inductive strips sized for Bus

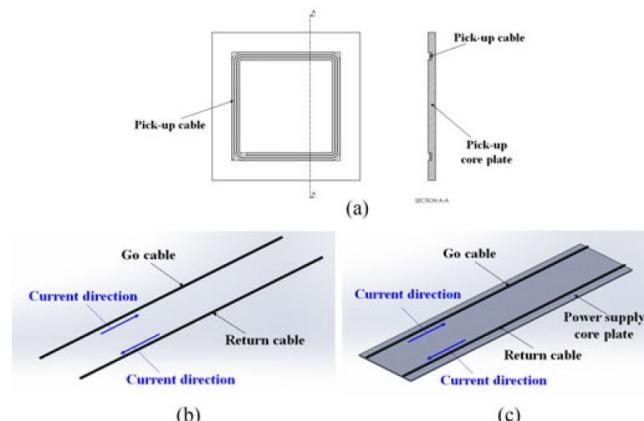


Fig. 9. Conceptual scheme of the proposed coreless power supply rail for both RPEVs and SCEVs [84]. (a) A rectangular pick-up coil for SCEVs in accordance with the SAE J2954. (b) Proposed coreless power supply rail. (c) Conventional power rail used for the 3G and 3G+ OLEVs.



# Bombardier Dynamic IPT

[www.primove.bombardier.com](http://www.primove.bombardier.com)



Light Rail: Continuous 270kW power, buried cables replaces catenaries



Bus: Dynamic trials lowered pads at controlled height, Stationary lowered for 100-200kW

- 200kW Backbone
- 30kHz double U core
- 30kW @ 10cm

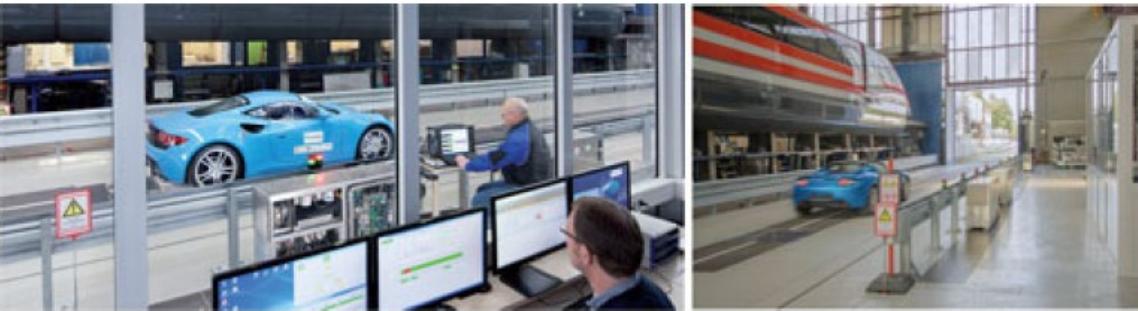


Fig. 22. INTIS test center having a 25-m-long track for the IPTS of SCEVs and RPEVs [90].



Fig. 23. Test frame for a pick-up (left) and double U-type power supply rail (right) used in the test center [90].



Fig. 24. Power supply rails and pick-up coils for SCEVs (left) and RPEVs (right) developed by INTIS [91].

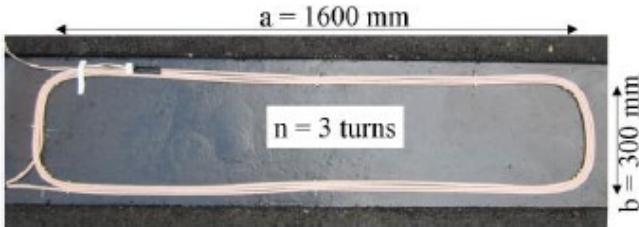


Figure13: Photograph of the transmitter coil embedded in the test road



Figure14: Photograph showing the paving of the test road

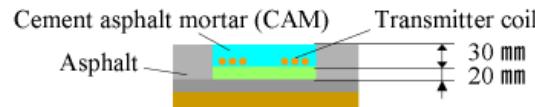


Figure15: Schematic cross-sectional view of the test road

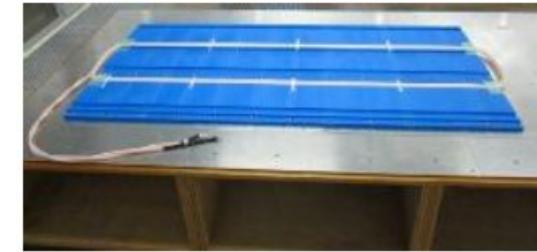


Figure2: Photograph of the measured transmitter coil



Figure18: Photograph of the receiver coil installed at the rear of the test EV

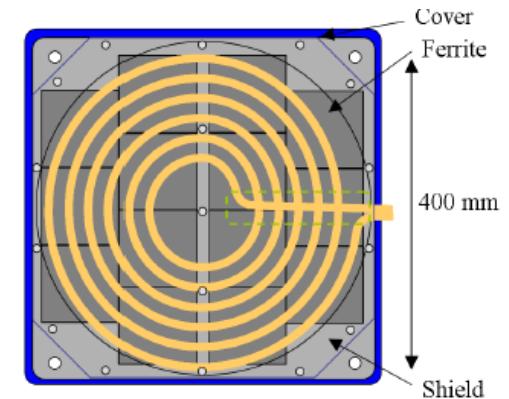


Figure4: Schematic of the receiver coil used in this study

# Lumped Roadway Systems

## Example systems

# University of Tokyo

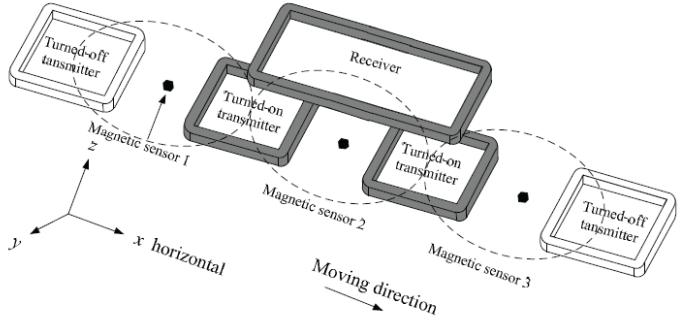


Fig. 4. Diagram of EV positioning using magnetic sensor

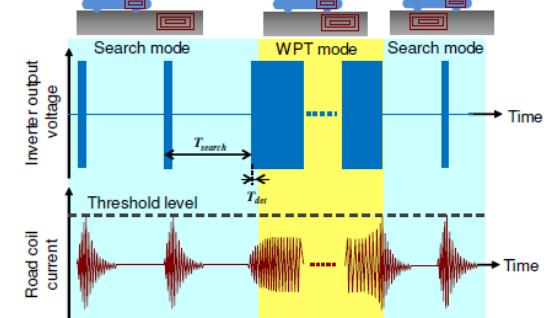
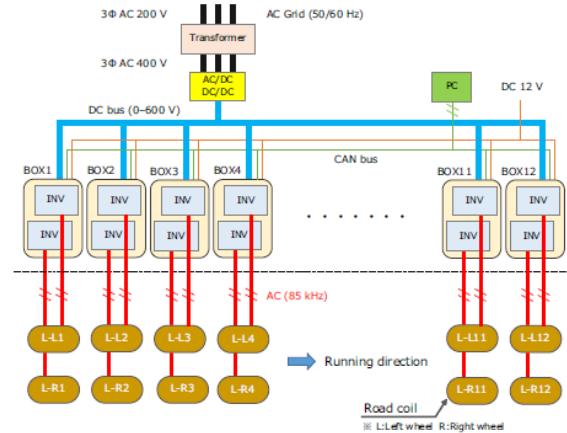
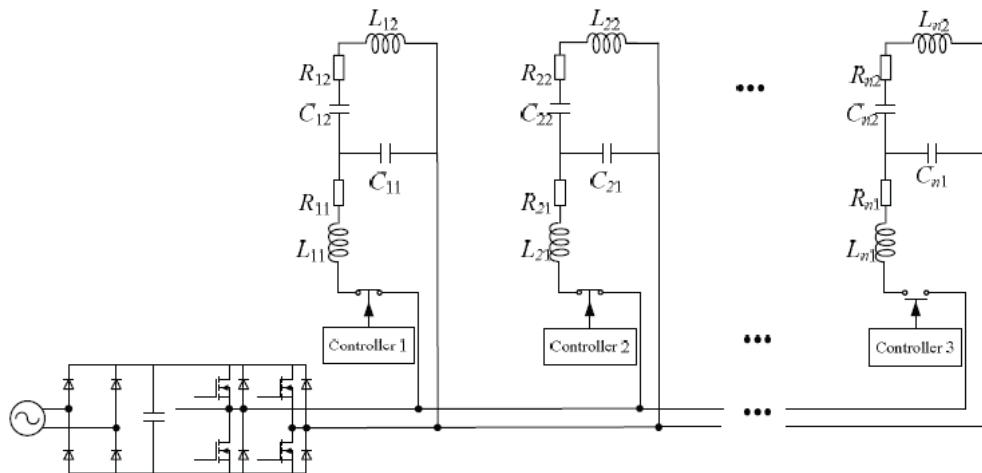
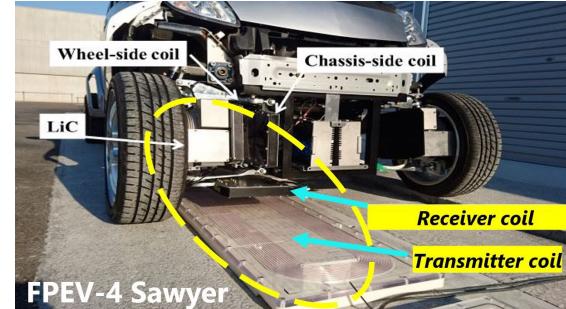


Fig. 8. Concept of sensorless vehicle detection system.

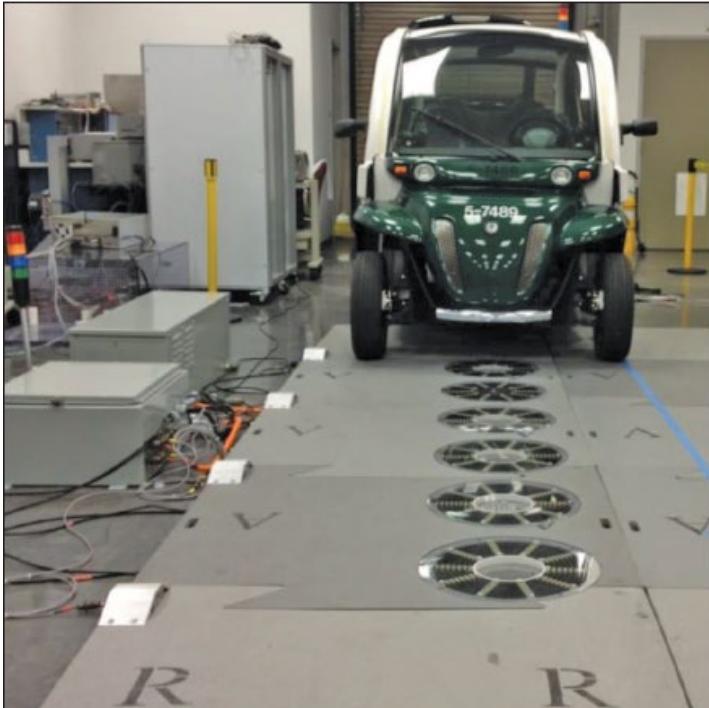


Figure 8. ORNL's EVWPT experimental facility.

Power Pulses followed by Nulls  
Overcome using two offset coils and ultra capacitors but reduces potential capture.

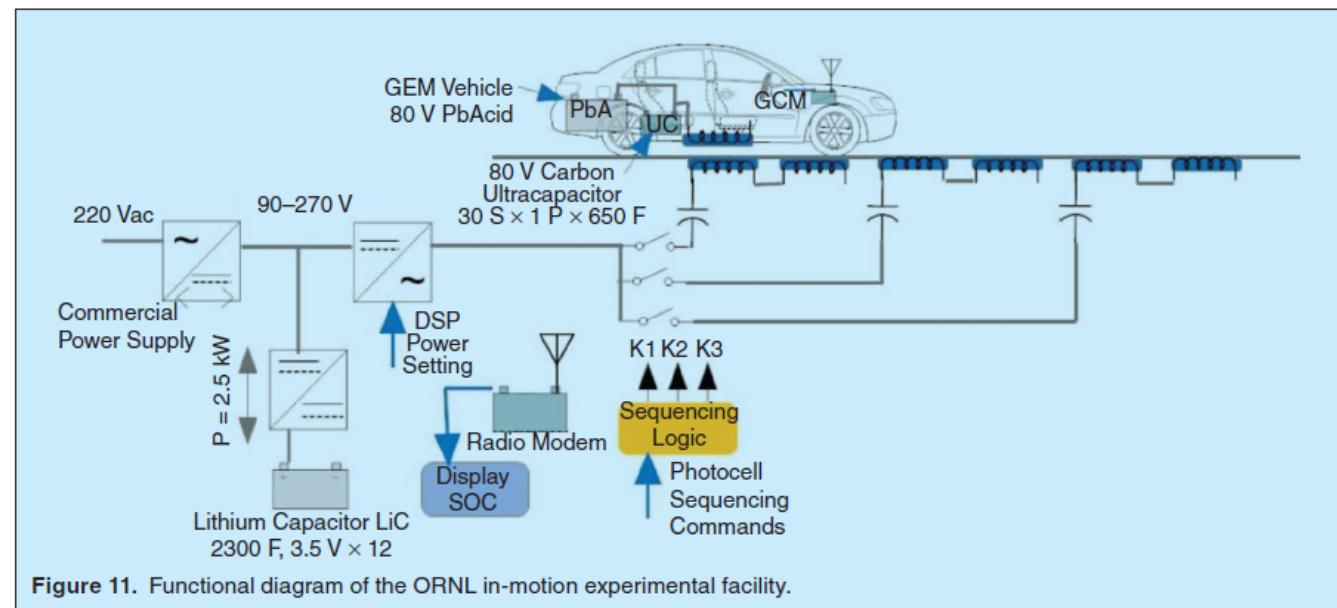


Figure 11. Functional diagram of the ORNL in-motion experimental facility.

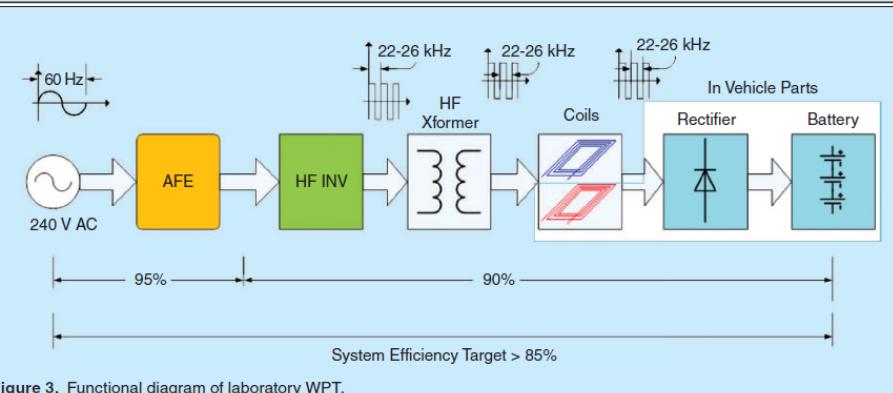


Figure 3. Functional diagram of laboratory WPT.

# TUG Bulgaria (FP7 fast in Charge)

- 30kW system
- Primary has 4cm thick cover
- Dynamic at 15-20km/hr

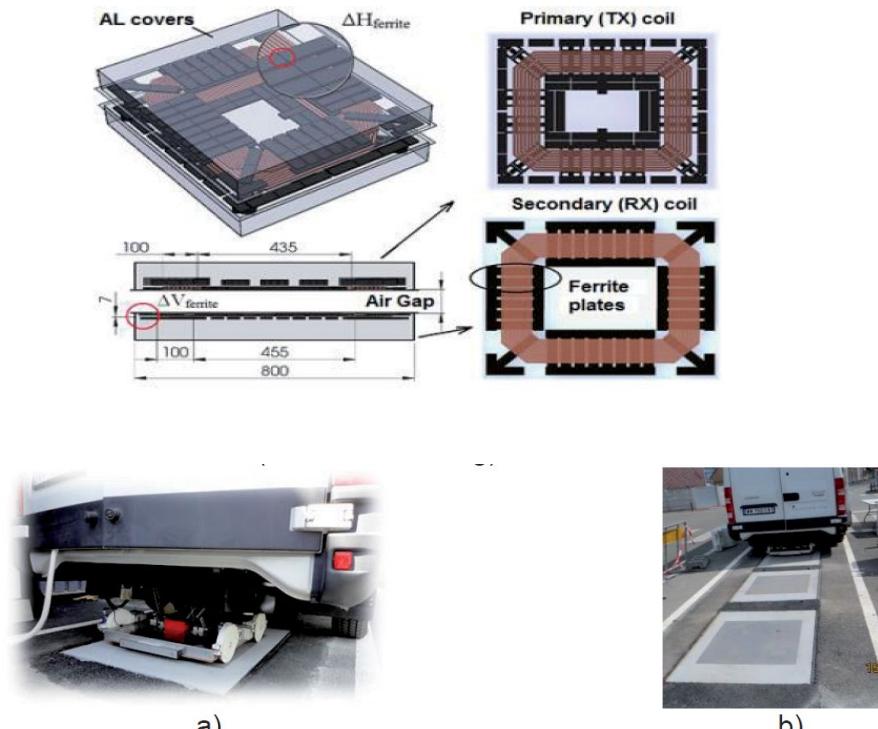


Fig. 5. Real tests – a) static and b) dynamic



Fig. 1. Charging infrastructure – a) static; b) dynamic.

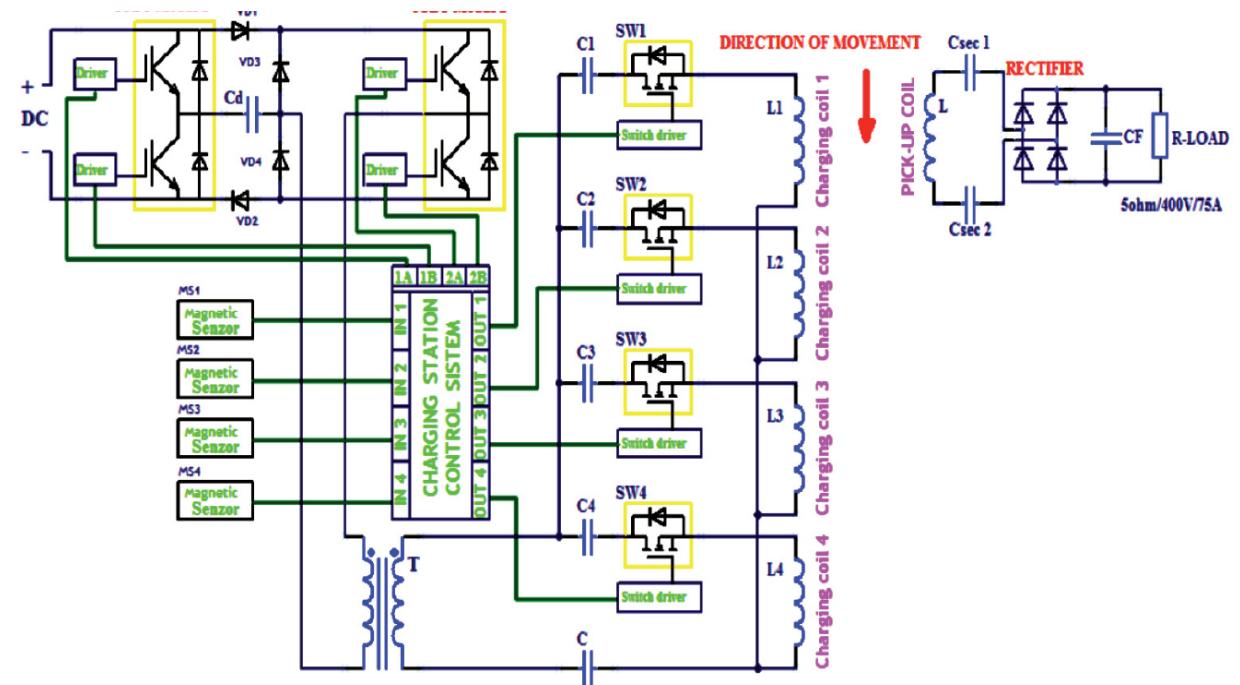


Fig. 4. Dynamic charging infrastructure

- (LCC) = LCL 2.34kW power transfer
- Studying switch on and cross transfer of power

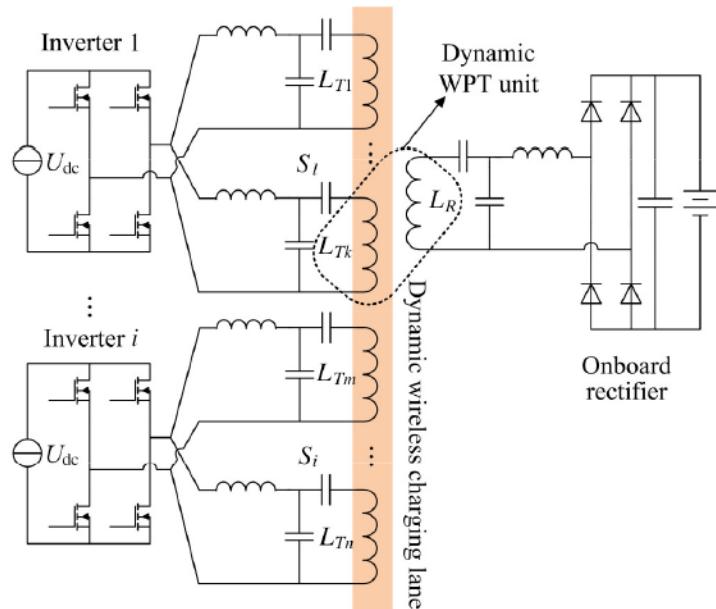


Fig. 2. Configuration of a general wireless power transfer system for dynamic wireless EV charging.

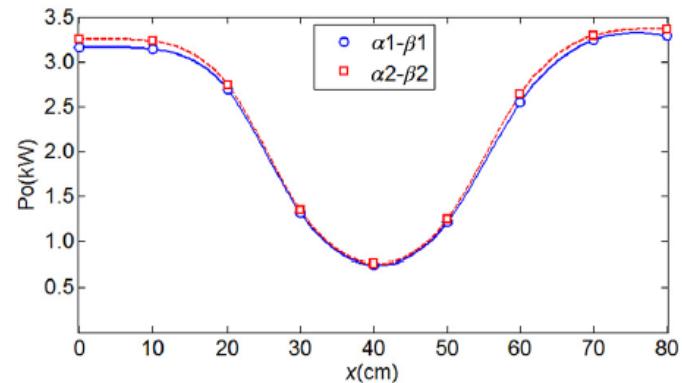


Fig. 14. Measured  $P_o$  at different position within a dynamic WPT unit.

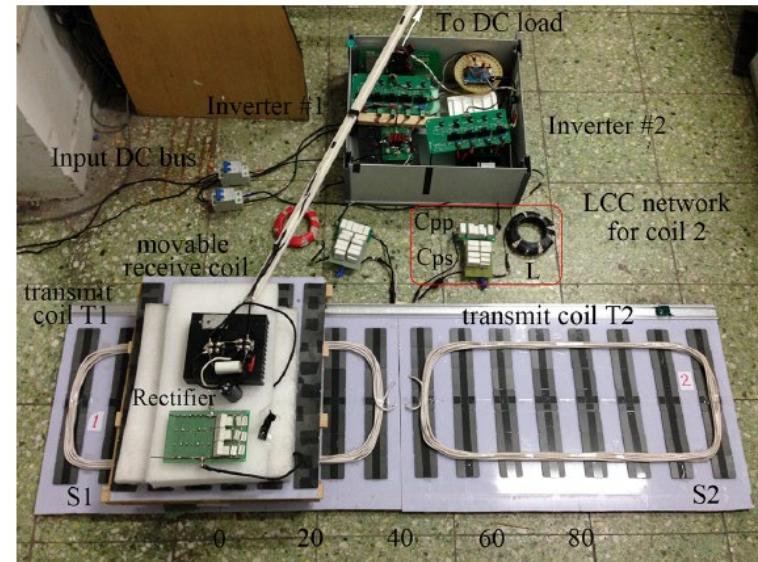


Fig. 12. Photograph of our dynamic EV charging-oriented WPT prototype.

## One inverter driving multiple DD Primaries to a DDQ Secondary

A closely coupled primary decoupler is used to shut off unused primaries

- $S_a$  used to vary reflected load to regulate  $I_p$

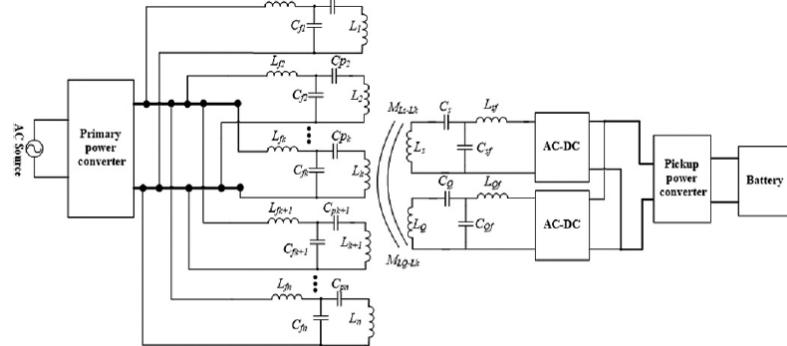


Fig. 4. Multi-LCC networks for the dynamic WPT system.

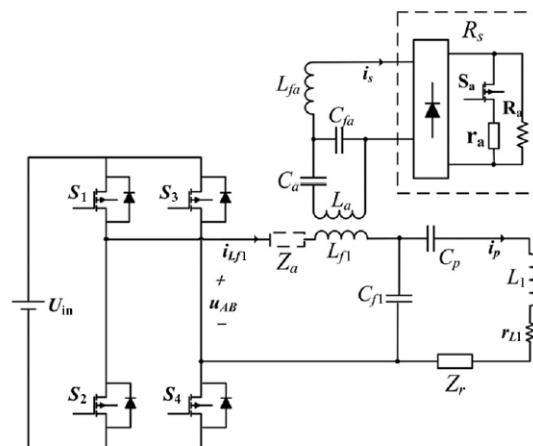


Fig. 8. Primary coil current regulation circuit.

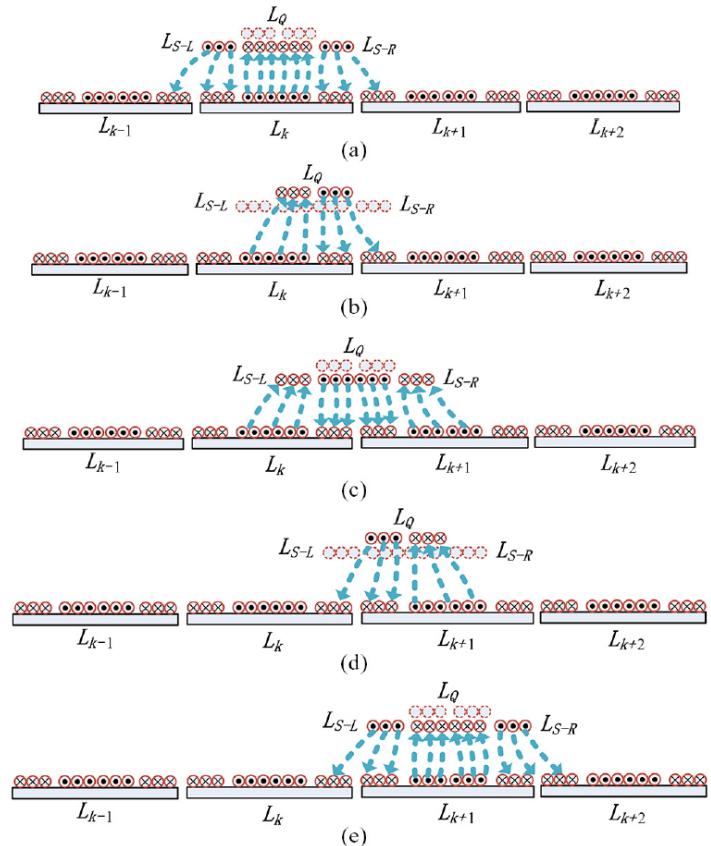


Fig. 6. Coils coupling diagram. (a) Reference point I. (b) Reference point II. (c) Reference point III. (d) Reference point IV. (e) Reference point V.

- FABRIC CWD: 50 Tx's:
- Each: 1.5m x 50cm, spaced 50cm.
- 630Vdc stabilised backbone

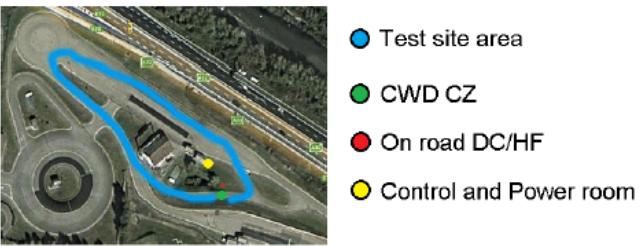


Fig. 10: Map of the Italian test site of eCo-FEV

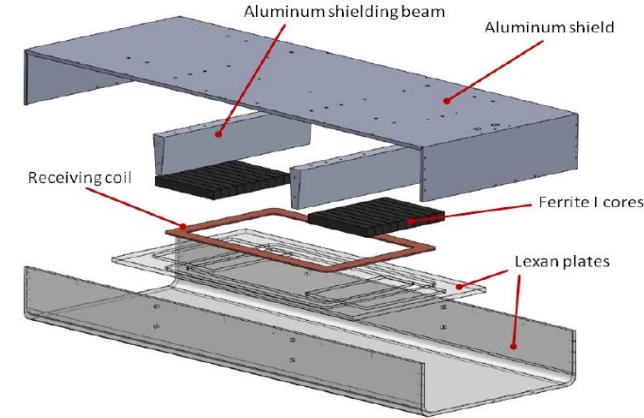


Fig. 11: 3D model of the receiving structure.

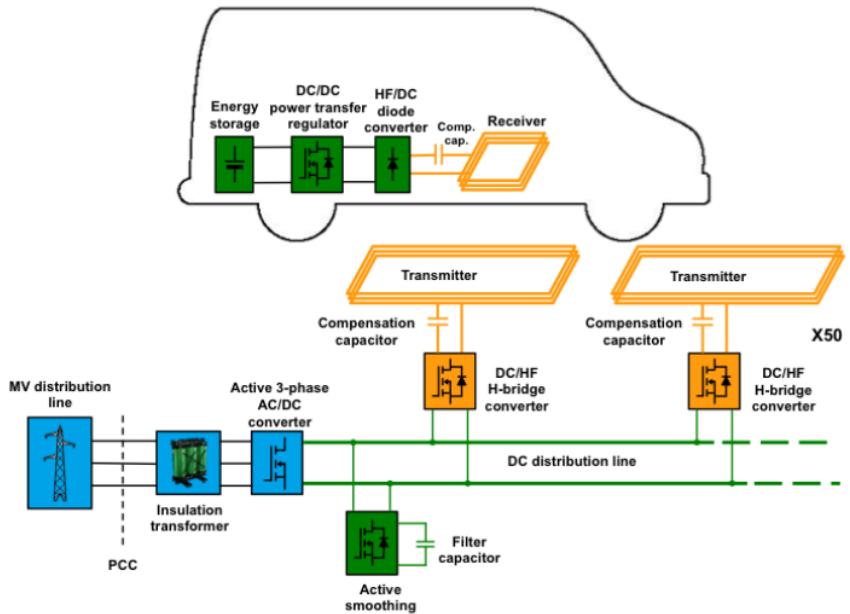
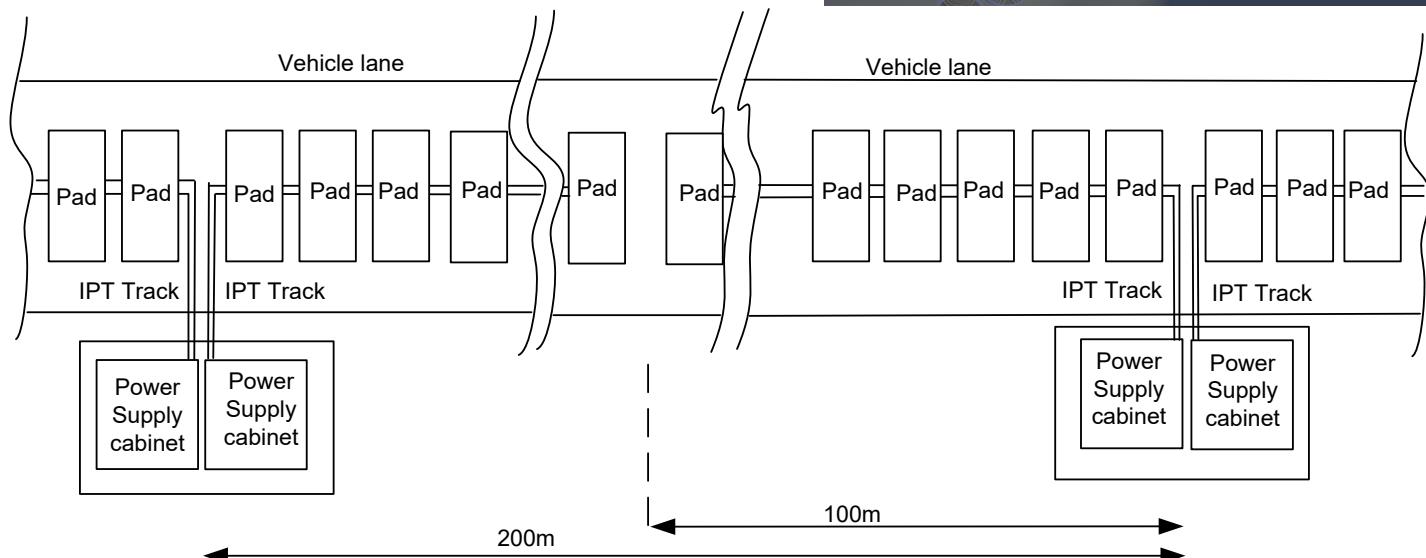


Fig. 9: Electrical infrastructure for the dynamic IPT proposed by the team of the Politecnico di Torino.



Fig. 12: Back of the vehicle during the CWD operation. Under the vehicle plane is visible the receiving structure mounted.



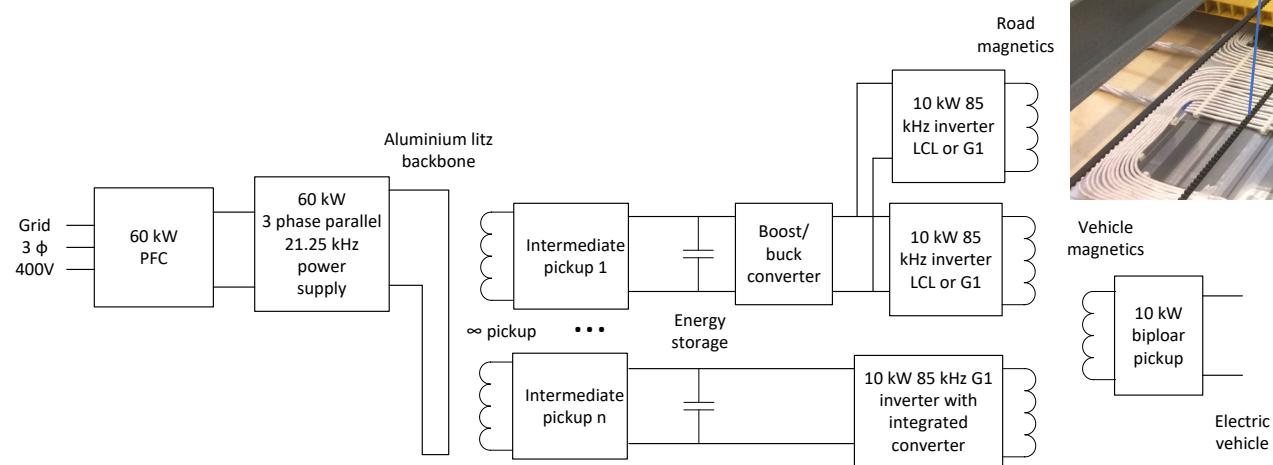
- Sequentially Energised Pads under the Vehicle
- Coupled power to each independently controlled pad
- No DC or mains under roadway

# UoA Prototype: Slow moving Taxi-Rank System

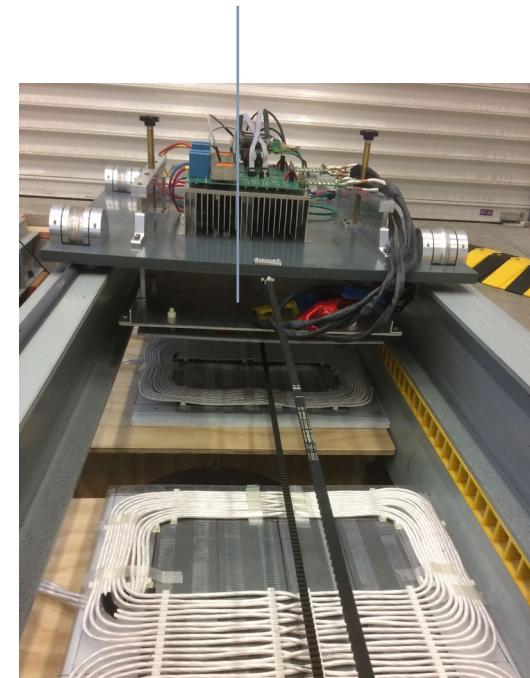


- Evaluation of various systems
- 10kW/vehicle system
- Energised only under vehicle
- 20/50kW systems under development

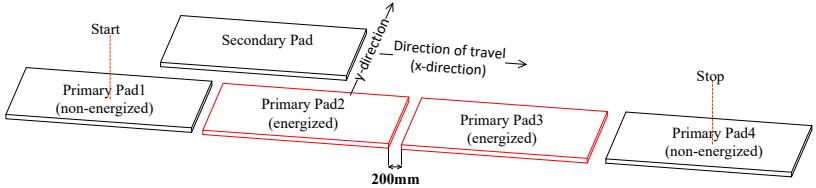
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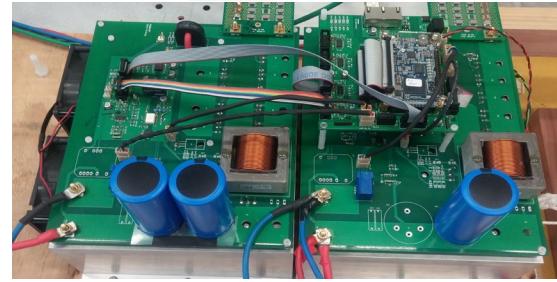
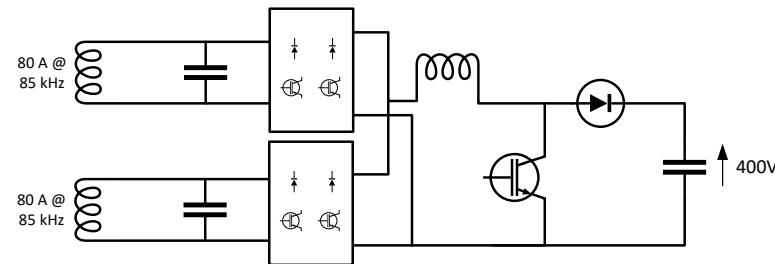
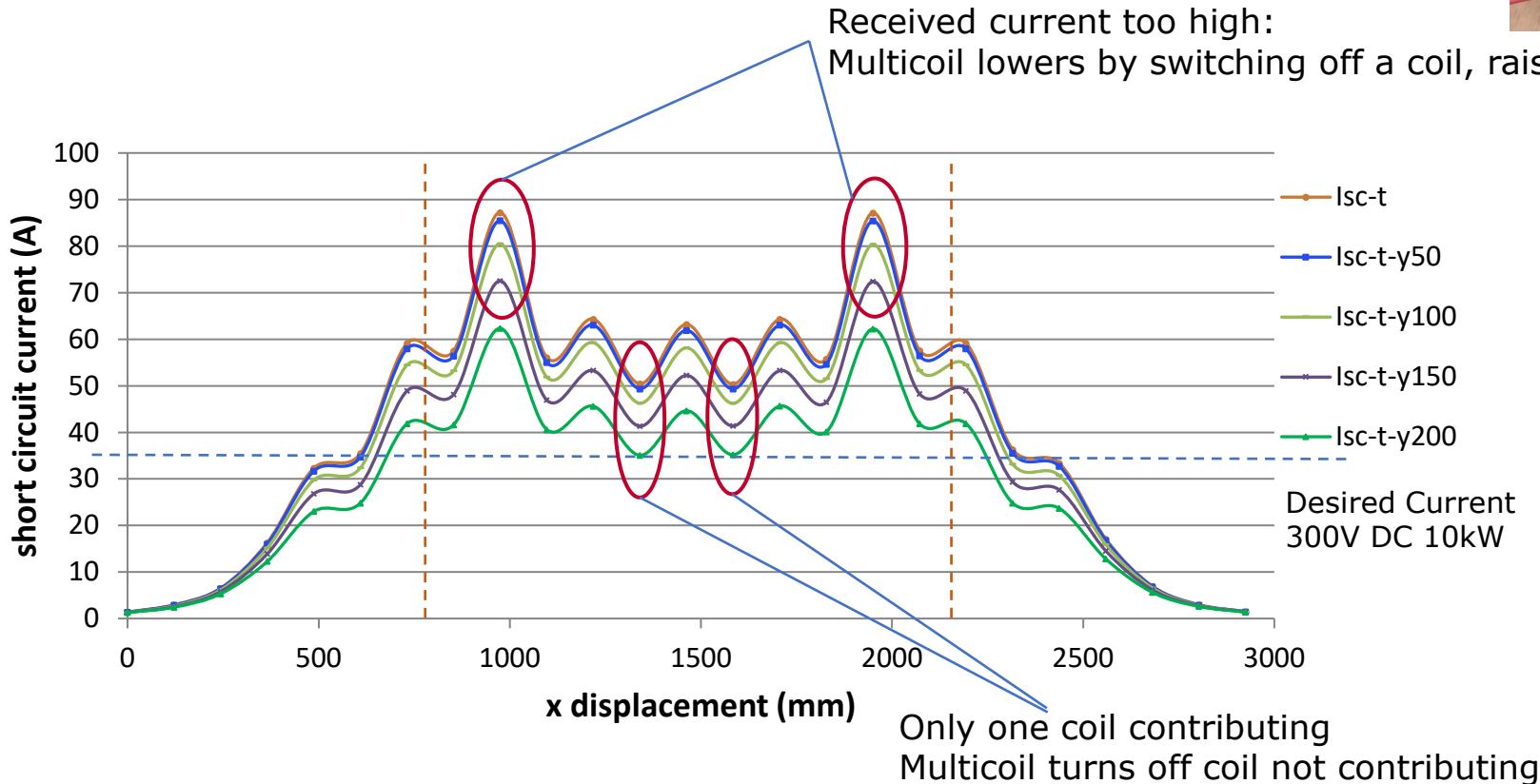
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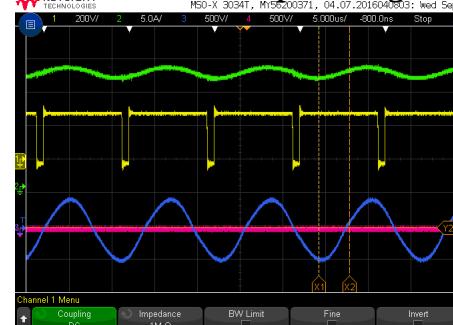
# System Opeartion



- DDP primary (600mm x 775mm)
  - Gap between adjacent primary pads (200mm)
  - BPP secondary (350mm x 700mm)



### **Both Coils Operating**



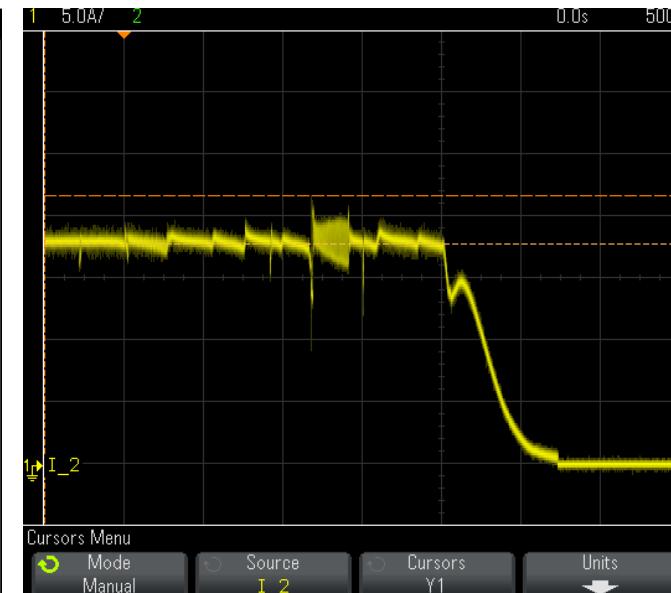
Coil B shorted

# Inverter turn on at slow speeds

- Slow vehicle movement (~0.8m/s) speed synchronised
  - If not phase synchronised energy transferred between base pads
- If free resonance > set level in base pad then turn on.
- Turn off when  $I_{\text{bridge}}$  is low



Slow vehicle movement



5.5 kW, Voltage = 300,  
Output Current = 17.8 A

# Qualcomm Halo (WiTricity) DEVC



- No DC or mains under road
- Sequentially Energised Multicoil in road
- 2 x DD 10kW pads (20kW) vehicle

# 100 m, 20 kW Dynamic Track



# 100m, 20kW Dynamic Track



Sequential Energisation along the track



# In-Road Research Challenges

- Compatibility
  - traffic mixes (different heights)
  - Road construction, (most not concrete and larger movement)
  - Varying energy demands,
  - Flexible grid supply
- Robustness and reliability
- Impact of road construction



# Conclusions

- Resonant WPT
  - Imagined 1890s
  - Rediscovered in 1970-80s
  - Commercially practical mid-late 90s in niche markets
- Stationary Charging
  - Single coil options accepted by OEMs for first application
  - Multi-coil topologies promising for high power, wide tolerance
  - Ferrite-less designs under investigation for robustness
- Moving applications
  - Industrial track systems are well established, but transportation options being evaluated
  - Greater freedom requires multi-coil designs on primary or secondary
  - Vehicular systems require robust design considering LD and HD

# DD-DD Ansys Stationary Charging Example

Objectives of matched pads analysis:

- Set the ferrite Al and copper regions
- Set excitation to 25A 85kHz RMS
- Evaluate when pads aligned: L1, L2, M and k
- Use rectangle cut plans to evaluate
  - B in the core
  - B Leakage field at 800mm

# Questions

# Biographies



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Duleepa J. Thrimawithana (M09-SM18) received his BE in Electrical Engineering (with First Class Honors) in 2005 and his Ph.D. in power electronics in 2009 from The University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand. From 2005 to 2008, he worked in collaboration with Tru- Test Ltd. in Auckland as a Research Engineer in the areas of power converters and high-voltage pulse generator design. He joined the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at The University of Auckland in 2009 where he currently works as a Senior Lecturer. He has co-authored over 130 international journal and conference publications and holds 18 patent families on wireless power transfer technologies. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to engineering as an early career researcher, Dr. Thrimawithana received the Jim and Hazel D. Lord Fellowship in 2014. His main research areas include wireless power transfer, power electronics and renewable energy.



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