



# WPW SCHOOL



**Imperial College London**  
**17 June 2019**



## **Welcome to the WPW2019 School**

We are pleased to welcome you to the second Wireless Power Week School held in conjunction with the IEEE Wireless Power Week. In this one-day school we will cover a wide range of wireless powering topics including rectenna design, localization, communication, inductive powering regimes, system design and grid integration. We are proud to present a team of ten world leading experts to give the invited lectures on the topics of the school. With the selection of talks we believe that the school provides a good first introduction to newcomers in the field and many of its subfields, and, additionally, that its wide coverage will provide valuable to those who already are in the field but want to broaden their knowledge. In all, we wish you an intellectually challenging, inspiring and rewarding day here at Imperial College London.

Nuno Borges Carvalho  
WPW School Chair

Paul D. Mitcheson and Hubregt J. Visser  
Conference Co-Chairs



# WPW2019 School Programme

| Time                                                            | Monday 17th June 2019                                                                                                                      |
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| 08:00 - 08:30                                                   | Registration & Coffee                                                                                                                      |
| 08:30 - 08:40                                                   | Introduction and Welcome (Nuno Borges Carvalho)                                                                                            |
| <b>Session 1: Rectennas</b>                                     |                                                                                                                                            |
| 08:40 - 09:20                                                   | <u>Lecture 1 - Ad Reniers: Practical Rectenna Design</u>                                                                                   |
| 09:20 - 10:00                                                   | <u>Lecture 2 - Jiafeng Zhou: Multi-band Rectenna Design for Radio Frequency Energy Harvesting</u>                                          |
| 10:00 - 10:40                                                   | <u>Lecture 3 - Simon Hemour: Environment aware battery-less IoT Frontend</u>                                                               |
| 10:40 - 11:00                                                   | Break                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Session 2: Systems and Practical Considerations</b>          |                                                                                                                                            |
| 11:00 - 11:40                                                   | <u>Lecture 4 - Bruno Franciscatto: Battery-less UWB indoor location is the way forward for industry 4.0</u>                                |
| 11:40 - 12:20                                                   | <u>Lecture 5 - Naoki Shinohara: How to detect position of user to keep high beam efficiency on wireless power transfer via radio waves</u> |
| 12:20 - 13:20                                                   | Lunch                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Session 3: Simultaneous Communication and Power Transfer</b> |                                                                                                                                            |
| 13:20 - 14:00                                                   | <u>Lecture 6 - Bruno Clerckx: Optimize, Learn and Prototype Wireless Communications and Power Transfer</u>                                 |
| 14:00 - 14:40                                                   | <u>Lecture 7 - Nuno Borges Carvalho: Combining backscatter communications with WPT, the new Wireless Power Communication Paradigm</u>      |
| 14:40 - 15:00                                                   | Break                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Session 4: Inductive Power Transfer</b>                      |                                                                                                                                            |

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| 15:00 - 15:40 | <u>Lecture 8 - Giuseppina Monti: Inductive Resonant WPT: design equations for different operative regimes</u>           |
| 15:40 - 16:20 | <u>Lecture 9 - Alessandra Costanzo: Analytical and numerical design of non-static WPT systems</u>                       |
| 16:20 - 17:00 | <u>Lecture 10 - Udaya Madawala: Wireless Grid Integration of EVs for V2G Applications : Challenges and Technologies</u> |
| 17:00 - 17:10 | Closing remarks (Nuno Borges Carvalho), and head to Savoy Place for WPW2019 welcome reception                           |



# WPW2019 School Speakers

## WPW2019 School Chair:

### Nuno Carvalho - University of Aveiro, Portugal



Nuno Borges Carvalho (S'97–M'00–SM'05–F'15) was born in Luanda, Angola, in 1972. He received the Diploma and Doctoral degrees in electronics and telecommunications engineering from the University of Aveiro, Aveiro, Portugal, in 1995 and 2000, respectively. He is currently a Full Professor and a Senior Research Scientist with the Institute of Telecommunications, University of Aveiro and an IEEE Fellow. He coauthored *Intermodulation in Microwave and Wireless Circuits* (Artech House, 2003), *Microwave and Wireless Measurement Techniques* (Cambridge University Press, 2013) and *White Space*

*Communication Technologies* (Cambridge University Press, 2014). He has been a reviewer and author of over 200 papers in magazines and conferences. He is the Editor in Chief of the *Cambridge Wireless Power Transfer Journal*, an associate editor of the *IEEE Microwave Magazine* and former associate editor of the *IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques* and *IET Microwaves Antennas and Propagation Journal*. He is the co-inventor of six patents. His main research interests include software-defined radio front-ends, wireless power transmission, nonlinear distortion analysis in microwave/wireless circuits and systems, and measurement of nonlinear phenomena. He has recently been involved in the design of dedicated radios and systems for newly emerging wireless technologies. Dr. Borges Carvalho is a member of the IEEE MTT ADCOM, the chair of the IEEE MTT-20 Technical Committee and the past-chair of the IEEE Portuguese Section and MTT-11 and also belong to the technical committees, MTT-24 and MTT-26. He is also the vice-chair of the URSI Commission A (Metrology Group). He was the recipient of the 1995 University of Aveiro and the Portuguese Engineering Association Prize for the best 1995 student at the University of Aveiro, the 1998 Student Paper Competition (Third Place) of the IEEE Microwave Theory and Techniques Society (IEEE MTT-S) International Microwave Symposium (IMS), and the 2000 IEE Measurement Prize. He is a Distinguished Microwave Lecturer for the IEEE Microwave Theory and Techniques Society.

## **WPW2019 School Speakers:**

### **Ad Reniers - Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands**



Ad Reniers received the Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Fontys University of applied sciences and is currently pursuing his Ph.D. degree at Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e). From 1999 to 2009, he worked with TNO Industry and Technique in Eindhoven, The Netherlands on research projects, affiliated to antenna-based sensors, antenna miniaturization, RFID applications, and energy harvesting. Since 2009, he has been associated with the Electromagnetics Group, Department of Electrical Engineering, Eindhoven University of Technology, Eindhoven, The Netherlands as a research and education officer. He has extensive research and engineering experience in the field of antenna design and antenna measurement. His research interests include millimeter wave antenna measurement, antenna miniaturization for integrated mm-wave communication and wireless power transfer.

### **Jiafeng Zhou - University of Liverpool, UK**



Dr. Jiafeng Zhou is with the Department of Electrical Engineering & Electronics at the University of Liverpool, UK since 2013. He has performed research on RF circuit design, radio signal receiving and transmitting for 15 years. During his PhD study at the University of Birmingham, UK, he implemented one of the world's smallest superconducting RF resonators and filters. After completing PhD, Dr. Zhou carried out research in the University of Birmingham to design advanced components for phased-array antennas for radio astronomy. Then he joined the University of Bristol, UK, where he developed power amplifiers with industrial leading performances for Toshiba. Dr. Zhou is currently an executive member of the IET Electromagnetics Professional Network and the IET Internet of Things Professional Network. His current research interests include microwave devices for satellite and wireless communication systems, wireless power transfer and energy harvesting for sensor networks, wearable and implantable devices.

### **Simon Hemour - University of Bordeaux, France**



Dr. Simon Hemour is an Associate Professor at Bordeaux University, France. He holds a PhD degree in electrical engineering from Grenoble Institute of Technology. From 2011 to 2015, he was with Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal, Canada, where he lead a research team on Wireless Energy Transmission and Harvesting. Prior joining Polytechnic Montreal, he has been with the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), Geneva, Switzerland, with the National Academy of Science of Ukraine (NASU), Lviv, Ukraine and with the national center for Micro and Nanotechnology (MINATEC) in Grenoble in France. He was the TPC chair of the wireless Power Transmission Conference WPTC2018. He is a member of the IEEE MTT technical committee TC-26 on "Wireless Energy Transfer and Conversion" and TC-10 on "Biological Effect and Medical Applications of RF and Microwave". He serves as a guest editor for the IEEE Journal

of Electromagnetics, RF and Microwaves in Medicine and Biology on the WPT and RF energy harvesting special issue.

#### **Bruno Franciscatto - UWINLOC, France**



Bruno is the CTO of the French company UWINLOC, based on Toulouse - south of France. He holds more than 17 patent applications and more than 16 scientific papers published, he has 10 years of experience in Wireless Communications; Energy Harvesting; design, industrialization and deployment of IoT systems (HW and SW). Successful start-up experience (Executive board member) – IPO Valuation £225M. In 2014, Bruno obtained his PhD in optics and radiofrequency at Grenoble University (France) in a partnership between IMEP-LAHC laboratory and Multitoll Solutions. During his PhD, Bruno started to study the Wireless Energy Harvesting/Transfer. He succeeded in creating Wireless Energy Harvesters that were capable of recovering the RF energy to supply low-power devices. The results improved the state-of-the-art on Wireless Energy Harvesting and lead to high-level publications, one of them being awarded as the best student paper in the SBMO/IEEE MTT-S International Microwave and Optoelectronics Conference (IMOC) 2013. In 2010, Bruno obtained his M.Sc. degree in optics and radiofrequency from the University of Grenoble (France). Bruno obtained his B.E. degree in electronics and telecommunications at the Federal University of Campina Grande (Brazil) in 2010, with distinction and honoured with an excellence academic award.

#### **Naoki Shinohara - Kyoto University, Japan**



Naoki Shinohara received the B.E. degree in electronic engineering, the M.E. and Ph.D (Eng.) degrees in electrical engineering from Kyoto University, Japan, in 1991, 1993 and 1996, respectively. He was a research associate in Kyoto University from 1996. From 2010, he has been a professor in Kyoto University. He has been engaged in research on Solar Power Station/Satellite and Microwave Power Transmission system. He was IEEE MTT-S Distinguished Microwave Lecturer (2016-18), and is IEEE MTT-S Technical Committee 26 (Wireless Power Transfer and Conversion) chair, IEEE MTT-S Kansai Chapter TPC member, IEEE Wireless Power Transfer Conference founder and advisory committee member, URSI commission D vice chair, international journal of Wireless Power Transfer (Cambridge Press) executive editor, the first chair and technical committee member on IEICE Wireless Power Transfer, Japan Society of Electromagnetic Wave Energy Applications president, Space Solar Power Systems Society board member, Wireless Power Transfer Consortium for Practical Applications (WiPoT) chair, and Wireless Power Management Consortium (WPMc) chair. His books are “Wireless Power Transfer via Radiowaves” (ISTE Ltd. and John Wiley & Sons, Inc., “Recent Wireless Power Transfer Technologies Via Radio Waves (ed.)” (River Publishers), and “Wireless Power Transfer: Theory, Technology, and Applications (ed.)” (IET).



### **Bruno Clerckx - Imperial College London, UK**



Bruno Clerckx received the M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in applied science from the Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, in 2000 and 2005, respectively. From 2006 to 2011, he was with Samsung Electronics, Suwon, South Korea, where he actively contributed to 3GPP LTE/LTE-A and IEEE 802.16m and acted as the Rapporteur for the 3GPP Coordinated Multi-Point (CoMP) Study Item. From 2014 to 2016, he was an Associate Professor with Korea University, Seoul, South Korea. He also held visiting research appointments at Stanford University, EURECOM, the National University of Singapore, and The University of Hong Kong. Since 2011, he has been with Imperial College London, first as a Lecturer from 2011 to 2015, then as a Senior Lecturer from 2015 to 2017, and now as a Reader. He is currently a Reader (Associate Professor) with the Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department, Imperial College London, London, U.K. He has authored two books, 150 peer-reviewed international research papers, and 150 standards contributions, and is the inventor of 75 issued or pending patents among which 15 have been adopted in the specifications of 4G (3GPP LTE/LTE-A and IEEE 802.16m) standards. His research area is communication theory and signal processing for wireless networks. He has been a TPC member, a symposium chair, or a TPC chair of many symposia on communication theory, signal processing for communication and wireless communication for several leading international IEEE conferences. He is an Elected Member of the IEEE Signal Processing Society SPCOM Technical Committee. He served as an Editor for the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON COMMUNICATIONS from 2011 to 2015 and the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS from 2015 to 2018, and is currently an Editor for the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON SIGNAL PROCESSING. He has also been a (lead) guest editor for special issues of the EURASIP Journal on Wireless Communications and Networking, IEEE ACCESS and the IEEE JOURNAL ON SELECTED AREAS IN COMMUNICATIONS. He was an Editor for the 3GPP LTE-Advanced Standard Technical Report on CoMP.

### **Giuseppina Monti - University of Salento, Italy**



Giuseppina Monti received the Laurea degree in Telecommunication Engineering (with honors) from the University of Bologna, Italy, in 2003, and the Ph.D. in Information Engineering from University of Salento (Italy), in 2007. She is currently with the Department of Innovation Engineering (University of Salento), where she is a temporary researcher and lecturer in CAD of Microwave circuits and Antennas. Since 2007, the research activities of G. Monti have been focused on the area of electromagnetic enabling technologies for energy autonomous smart systems. Special emphasis is put on reconfigurable devices for cognitive networks, wearable devices, energy harvesting, wireless power transmission (WPT). With regard to the development of technologies for WPT and energy harvesting, G. Monti is active both on: 1) the design of low-power long-range power links based on the use of rectennas, 2) the design and the theoretical analysis of high-power low/mid-range power links based on the use of electromagnetically coupled resonant systems (wireless resonant energy links). G. Monti has co-authored four book chapters and about 150 papers appeared in international conferences and journals.

### **Alessandra Costanzo - University of Bologna, Italy**



Prof Alessandra Costanzo is a full professor at the University of Bologna, Italy since 2018. She is currently involved in research activities dedicated to design of entire wireless power transmission systems, based on the combination of EM and nonlinear numerical techniques, adopting both far-field and near-field solutions, for several power levels and operating frequencies. She has authored more than 200 scientific publications on peer reviewed international journals and conferences and several chapter books. She owns four international patents. She is co-founder the EU COST action IC1301 WiPE “Wireless power transfer for sustainable electronics”, just ended where she chaired WGI: “far-field wireless power transfer”. She was workshop chair of the EuMW2014. In 2018 she is ExCom chair of the WPTC2018 and TPC co-chair of the IEEE IMARC 2018. She is the past-chair (2016-2017) of the MTT-26 committee on wireless energy transfer and conversion and member of the MTT-24 committee on RFID. She serves as associate editor of the IEEE Transaction on MTT, of the Cambridge International Journal of Microwave and Wireless Technologies and of the Cambridge International Journal of WPT. Since 2016 she is steering committee chair of the new IEEE Journal of RFID. She is MTT-S representative and Distinguished Lecturer of the CRFID, where she also serves as MTT-S representative. She is IEEE senior member.

### **Udaya Madawala - The University of Auckland, New Zealand**



Udaya K. Madawala graduated with a B.Sc. (Electrical Engineering) (Hons) degree from The University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka in 1987, and received his PhD (Power Electronics) from The University of Auckland, New Zealand in 1993 as a Commonwealth Doctoral Scholar. At the completion of his PhD, he was employed by Fisher & Paykel Ltd, New Zealand, as a Research and Development Engineer to develop new technologies for motor drives. In 1997 he joined the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at The University of Auckland and, at present as a Full Professor, he focuses on a number of power electronics projects related to wireless grid integration of EVs for V2G applications and renewable energy. Udaya is a Fellow of the IEEE and a Distinguished Lecturer of the IEEE Power Electronic Society (PELS), and has over 30 years of both industry and research experience in the fields of power electronics and energy. He has served both the IEEE Power Electronics and Industrial Electronics Societies in numerous roles, relating to editorial, conference, technical committee and chapter activities. Currently, Udaya is an Associate Editor for IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics, and a member of both the Administrative Committee and Membership Development Committee of the IEEE Power Electronics Society. He was the General Chair of the 2nd IEEE Southern Power Electronics Conference (SPEC)- 2016, held in New Zealand, and is also the Chair of SPEC Steering Committee. Udaya, who has over 300 IEEE and IET journal and conference publications, holds a number of patents related to wireless power transfer (WPT) and power converters, and is a consultant to industry.



## Practical Rectenna Design

Ad Reniers & Tom van Nunen  
Eindhoven University of Technology

In this presentation we will give hands on instructions and tips to construct a 2.45GHz rectenna. We will start with designing a 50 Ohm rectangular microstrip patch antenna and realize this antenna on FR4 using copper tape, a ruler and a knife. After tuning the antenna to 50 Ohm, we will design a rectifying circuit using discrete Schottky diodes. For analyzing and designing the circuit we will make use of freeware circuit software. We will determine the input impedance and design a impedance matching circuit to connect the antenna to the rectifying circuit. Finally we will load the rectenna with a led and demonstrate the rectenna, using the signals leaked through the door of a microwave oven.



# Practical Rectenna Design

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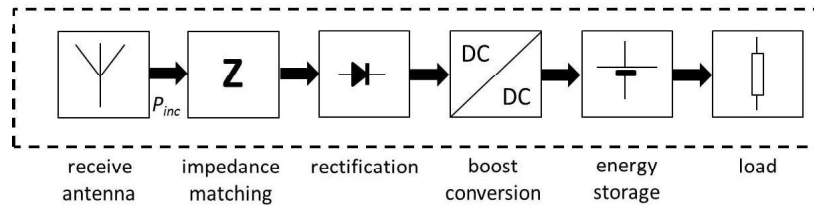


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

### Rectenna = Rectifying Antenna



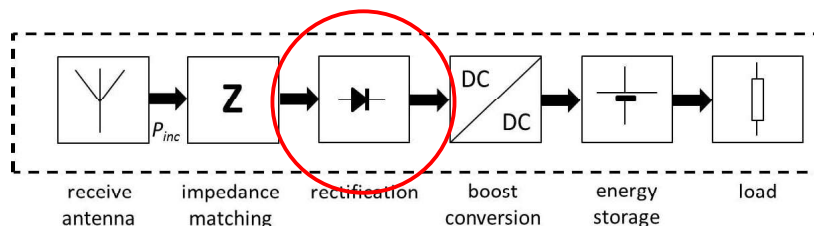
Powering at a distance

Using radio waves

Using a dedicated transmitter



## 1. INTRODUCTION



**The core of a rectenna is the rectifier**

Input impedance changes as a function of  
frequency  
RF input power  
DC load

**Need to know the input impedance with high degree of accuracy**

## 1. INTRODUCTION

### Analytical solutions to designing the antenna and the rectifier

Verified with Commercial Off The Shelf software validations

Since as a university we have access to that,  
but not every company has

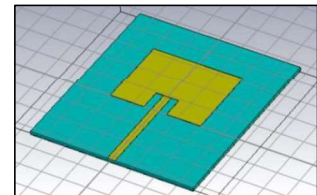
## 2. ANTENNA ANALYSIS

Inset-fed, rectangular microstrip patch antenna

Can be integrated on PCB

Radiation pattern cosine-like

Design for  $50\Omega$  for easy evaluation



### Start with microstrip transmission line

Width  $W$ , for given characteristic impedance  $Z_0$ , substrate thickness  $h$  and relative permittivity  $\epsilon_r$ :

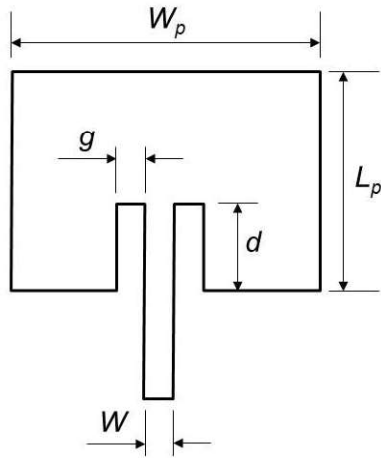
$$\frac{W}{h} = \begin{cases} \frac{8e^A}{e^{2A} - 2} & \text{for } \frac{W}{h} < 2 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \left[ B - 1 - \ln(2B - 1) + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} \left\{ \ln(B - 1) + 0.39 - \frac{0.61}{\epsilon_r} \right\} \right] & \text{for } \frac{W}{h} > 2 \end{cases}$$

$$A = \frac{Z_0}{60} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2}} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{\epsilon_r + 1} \left( 0.23 + \frac{0.11}{\epsilon_r} \right)$$

$$B = \frac{377\pi}{2Z_0\sqrt{\epsilon_r}}$$



## 2. ANTENNA ANALYSIS



$$W_p = \frac{c}{2f_0} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\epsilon_r + 1}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{reff}} = \frac{\epsilon_r + 1}{2} + \frac{\epsilon_r - 1}{2} \left[ 1 + 12 \frac{h}{W_p} \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$\Delta L = 0.412h \frac{(\epsilon_{\text{reff}} + 0.3) \left( \frac{W_p}{h} + 0.264 \right)}{(\epsilon_{\text{reff}} - 0.258) \left( \frac{W_p}{h} + 0.8 \right)}$$

$$L_p = \frac{c}{2f_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_{\text{reff}}}} - 2\Delta L$$

$$g = W$$

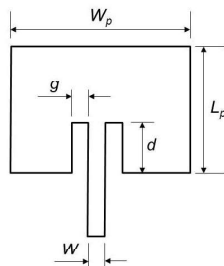
$$d = 10^{-4} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0.001699\epsilon_r^7 + 0.13761\epsilon_r^6 - 6.1783\epsilon_r^5 \\ + 93.187\epsilon_r^4 - 682.69\epsilon_r^3 + 2561.9\epsilon_r^2 \\ - 4043\epsilon_r + 6697 \end{array} \right\} \frac{L}{2} \quad \text{for } 2 \leq \epsilon_r \leq 10$$

M.A. Martin and A.I. Sayeed, 'A Design Rule for Inset-fed Rectangular Microstrip Patch Antenna', *WSEAS Transactions on Communications*, Vol. 9, No. 1, pp. 63-72, January 2010.

M. Ramesh and Y. Kb, 'Design Formula for Inset Fed Microstrip Patch Antenna', *Journal of Microwaves and Optoelectronics*, Vol. 3, No. 3, pp. 5-10, December 2003.

## 2. ANTENNA ANALYSIS

Verification ( $f_0 = 1.8 \text{ GHz}$ ,  $\epsilon_r = 3.55$ ,  $h = 1.53 \text{ mm}$ )

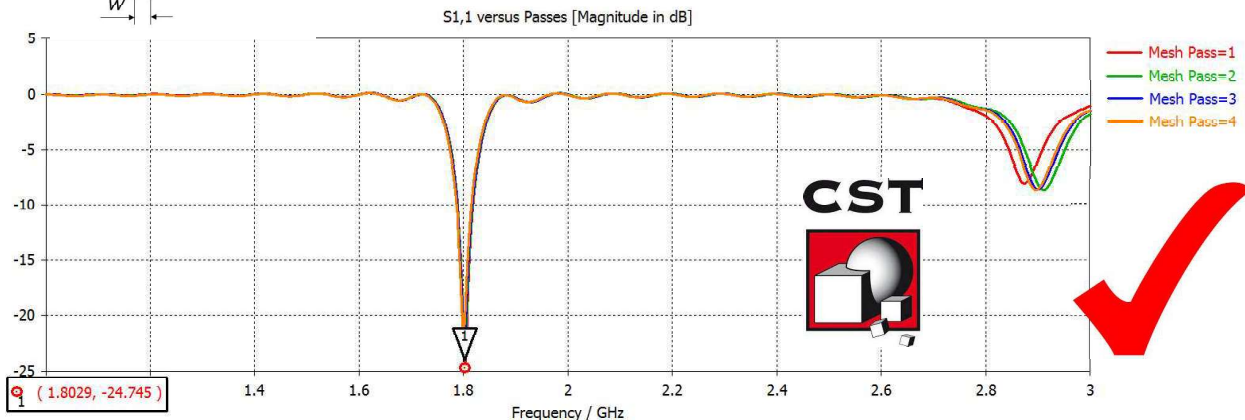


$$W = 3.42 \text{ mm} \quad L_p = 4.39 \text{ cm}$$

$$W_p = 5.52 \text{ cm} \quad g = W = 3.42 \text{ mm}$$

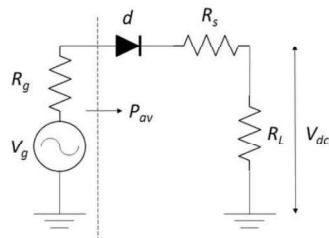
$$\epsilon_{\text{reff}} = 3.38 \quad d = 12.49 \text{ mm}$$

$$\Delta L = 0.69 \text{ mm}$$



### 3. RECTIFIER ANALYSIS

Rectifier based on Schottky diode



For the DC output voltage

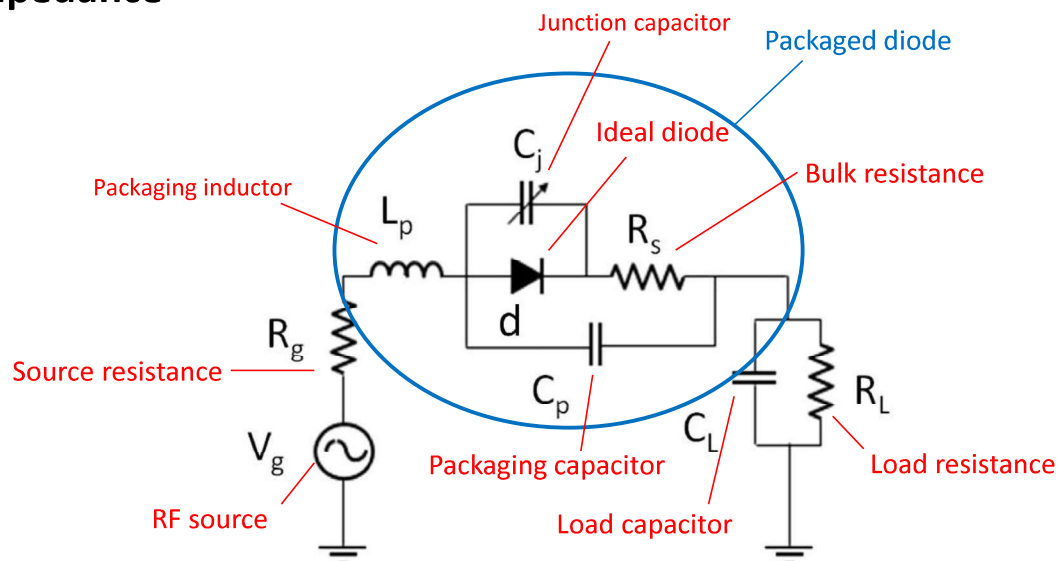
$$B_0 \left( \frac{q}{nkT} \sqrt{8R_g P_{av}} \right) = \left( 1 + \frac{V_0}{R_L I_s} \right) e^{\left( 1 + \frac{R_g + R_s}{R_L} \right) \frac{q}{nkT} V_0}$$

Zero-order modified Bessel function of first kind  
 Generator resistance  
 Available power  
 Saturation current  
 Load resistance  
 Electron charge  
 DC voltage  
 Temperature  
 Boltzmann's constant  
 Ideality factor

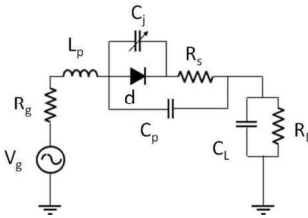
R.G. Harrison and X. Le Polozec, 'Nonsquarelaw Behavior of Diode Detectors Analyzed by the Ritz-Galérkin Method', *IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques*, Vol. 42, No. 5, pp. 840-846, May 1994.

### 3. RECTIFIER ANALYSIS

Input Impedance



### 3. RECTIFIER ANALYSIS



$$V_g = |V_g| \cos(2\pi f_0 t)$$

$C_L$  large  $\rightarrow$  behaves as open circuit

$$\frac{\partial V_d}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{R_s C_j} \left[ V_g - I_g (R_g + R_L) - V_d - L_p I_X - \frac{I_s}{C_j} \left( e^{\frac{q}{nkT} V_d} - 1 \right) \right]$$

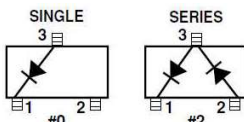
$$\frac{\partial I_X}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{C_p L_p R_s} [V_g - V_d - I_g (R_g + R_L) - L_p I_X] + \frac{1}{L_p} \frac{\partial V_g}{\partial t} - \frac{(R_g + R_L)}{L_p} I_X - \frac{I_g}{C_p L_p}$$

$$\frac{\partial I_g}{\partial t} = I_X$$

**MATLAB ODE solver for stiff equations, followed by FFT**

### 3. RECTIFIER ANALYSIS

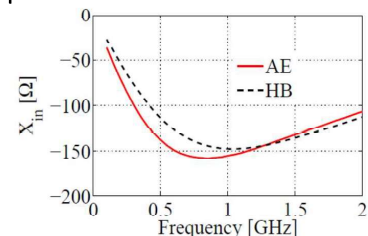
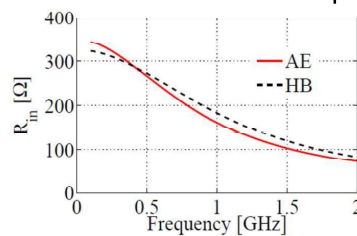
#### Verification



| Parameter | HSMS-2820 | HSMS-2850 | Units    |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| $I_s$     | 2.2E-8    | 3.0 E-6   | A        |
| $n$       | 1.08      | 1.06      | -        |
| $R_s$     | 6.0       | 25        | $\Omega$ |
| $C_j$     | 0.7       | 0.18      | pF       |
| $L_p$     | 2.0       | 2.0       | nH       |
| $C_p$     | 0.08      | 0.08      | pF       |
| $C_{23}$  | 0.06      | 0.06      | pF       |

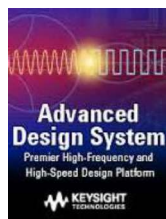
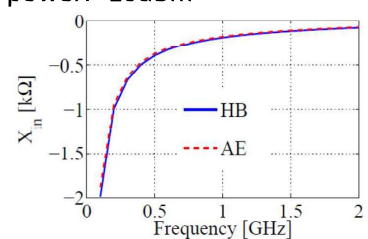
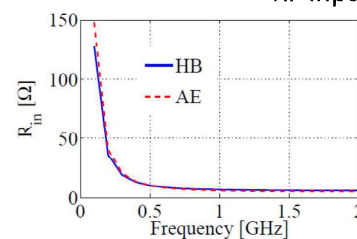
#### Schottky diode HSMS-2852

RF input power: -10dBm



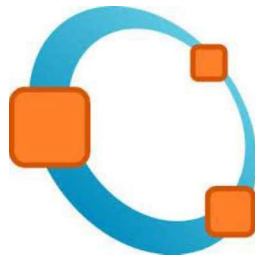
#### Schottky diode HSMS-2820

RF input power: -10dBm



### 3. RECTIFIER ANALYSIS

Solving ODEs



GNU Octave

<https://www.gnu.org/software/octave/>

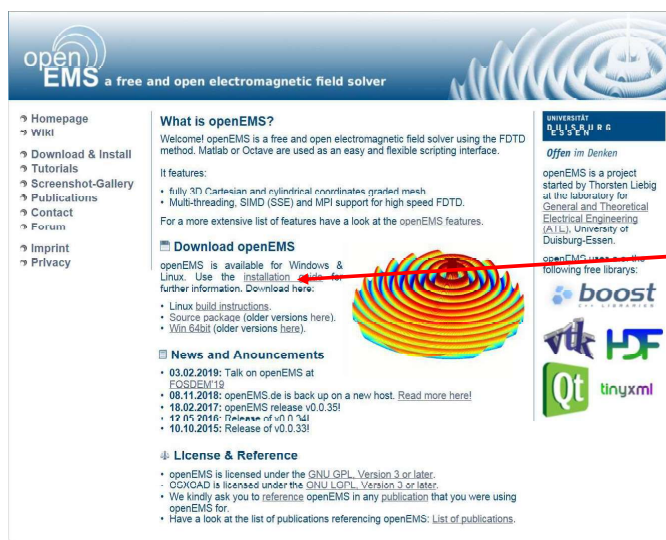
We now have an alternative for antenna and rectifier analysis, not relying on (expensive) COTS software.

However, it is restricted to one antenna type and one rectifier type.

**NEXT: FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS**

### 4. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation



Download \*.zip file

<http://openems.de/start/index.php>

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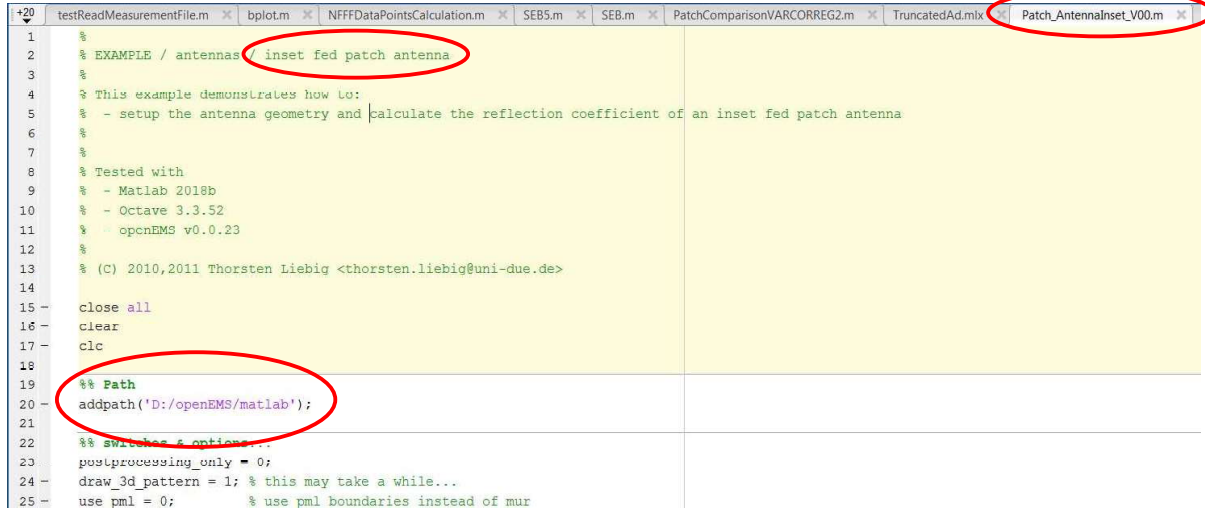
<https://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/octave/windows/>

## 4. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

### Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation

Install the folder as “openEMS” on your ‘C’ or ‘D’ directory (C:/openEMS/)

Open matlab file with your antenna code and add: `addpath('D:/openEMS/matlab');`

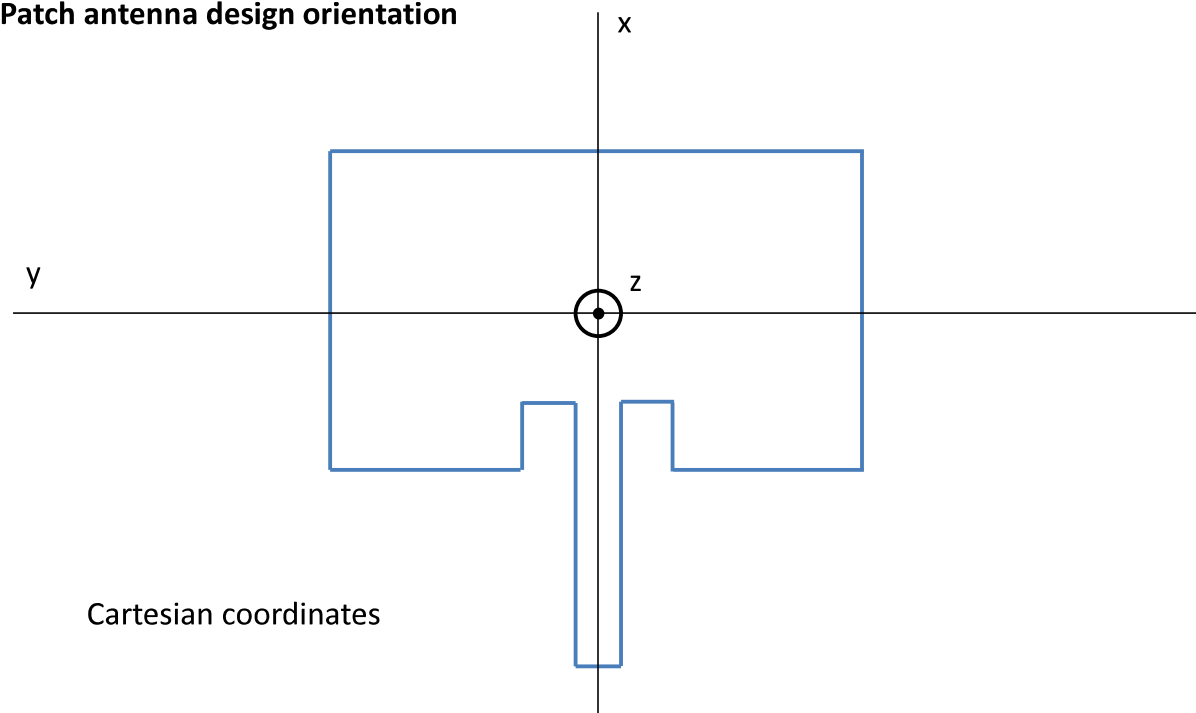


```

+20 testReadMeasurementFile.m x bplot.m x NFFDataPointsCalculation.m x SEB5.m x SEB.m x PatchComparisonVARCORREG2.m x TruncatedAdmix x Patch_AntennalInset_V00.m x
1 %
2 % EXAMPLE / antennas / inset fed patch antenna
3 %
4 % This example demonstrates how to:
5 % - setup the antenna geometry and calculate the reflection coefficient of an inset fed patch antenna
6 %
7 %
8 % Tested with
9 % - Matlab 2018b
10 % - Octave 3.3.52
11 % - openEMS v0.0.23
12 %
13 % (C) 2010,2011 Thorsten Liebig <thorsten.liebig@uni-due.de>
14 %
15 - close all
16 - clear
17 - clc
18 %
19 %% Path
20 - addpath('D:/openEMS/matlab');
21 %
22 %% switches & options
23 postprocessing_only = 0;
24 - draw_3d_pattern = 1; % this may take a while...
25 - use pml = 0; % use pml boundaries instead of mur
  
```

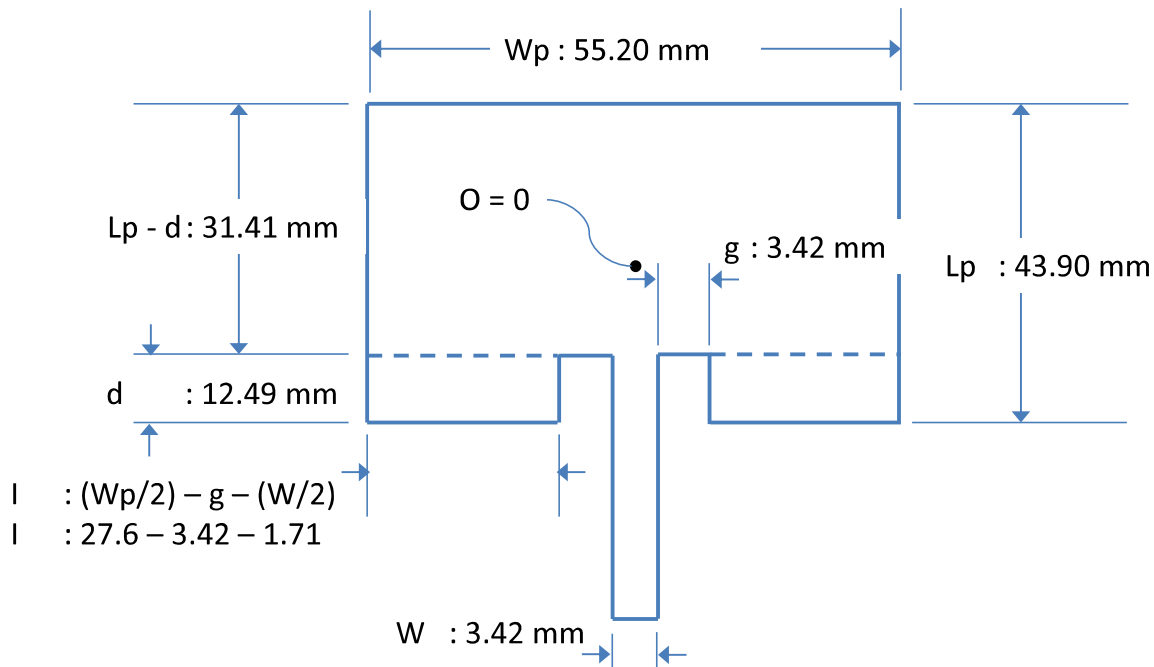
## 4. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

### Patch antenna design orientation



## 4. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

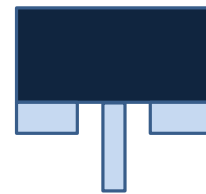
Patch antenna design dimensions for 2.4 GHz



## 4. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

Patch geometry without inset



```
%% create patch
CSX = AddMetal( CSX, 'patch' ); % create a perfect electric conductor (PEC)
start = [ -(patch.length/2)+inset.length -patch.width/2 substrate.thickness];
stop = [ patch.length/2 -patch.width/2 substrate.thickness];
CSX = AddBox(CSX,'patch',10,start,stop);

% width in x-direction
% length in y-direction
% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.widtn = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```



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### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

#### Right patch extension



```
%% Create inset right
CSX = AddMetal( CSX, 'insetright' ); % create a inset
start = [-patch.length/2 -patch.width/2 substrate.thickness];
stop = [-patch.length/2+inset.length 0-inset.width-feed.width/2 substrate.thickness];
CSX = AddBox(CSX, 'insetright', 10, start, stop);
```



```
% width in x-direction
% length in y-direction
% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.width = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```

## 4. FREeware FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

#### Left patch extension



```
%% Create inset left
CSX = AddMetal( CSX, 'insetleft' ); % create a inset
start = [-patch.length/2 patch.width/2 substrate.thickness];
stop = [-patch.length/2+inset.length 0+inset.width+feed.width/2 substrate.thickness];
CSX = AddBox(CSX, 'insetleft', 10, start, stop);
```



```
% width in x-direction
% length in y-direction
% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.width = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```

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### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

Transmission line



```
%% Create transmission line
CSX = AddMetal( CSX, 'line' ); % create a inset
start = [-line.length -line.width/2 substrate.thickness];
stop = [0 line.width/2 substrate.thickness];
CSX = AddBox( CSX, 'line', 10, start, stop );

% width in x-direction
% length in y-direction
% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

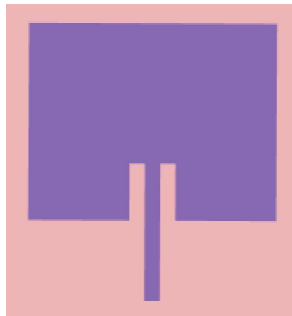
inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.width = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```



<https://github.com/thliebig/openEMS/blob/master/matlab/AddCoaxialPort.m>

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### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

Substrate and ground



```
%% create substrate
CSX = AddMaterial( CSX, 'substrate' );
CSX = SetMaterialProperty( CSX, 'substrate', 'Epsilon', substrate.epsR, 'Kappa', substrate.kappa );
start = [-substrate.width/2 -substrate.length/2 0];
stop = [ substrate.width/2 -substrate.length/2 substrate.thickness];
CSX = AddBox( CSX, 'substrate', 0, start, stop );

%% create ground (same size as substrate)
CSX = AddMetal( CSX, 'gnd' ); % create a perfect electric conductor (PEC)
start(3) = 0;
stop(3) = 0;
CSX = AddBox( CSX, 'gnd', 10, start, stop );

% width in x-direction
% length in y-direction
% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

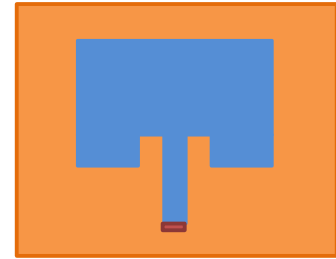
feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.width = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```

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### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

#### Excitation



```
%% width in x-direction
%% length in y-direction
%% main radiation in z-direction
patch.length = 32.10; % resonant length 43.90 (x-axis)
patch.width = 40.60; % (y-axis) 55.20

%% apply the excitation & resist as a current source
start = [feed.pos-.1 -feed.width/2 0];
stop = [feed.pos+.1 +feed.width/2 substrate.thickness];
[CSX] = AddLumpedPort(CSX, 5, 1, feed.R, start, stop, [0 0 1], true);

inset.width = 3.41; %Rectangular shape creating the inset 3.42
inset.length = 9.13; % 12.49

line.width = 3.41; % 3.42
line.length = 40.00;

substrate.epsR = 3.55;
substrate.kappa = 4e-3 * 2*pi*1.8e9 * EPS0*substrate.epsR;
substrate.width = 100;
substrate.length = 64.2;
substrate.thickness = 1.524;
substrate.cells = 4;

feed.pos = -line.length;
feed.width = 3.41;
feed.R = 50; % feed resistance

% size of the simulation box
SimBox = [160 160 50];
```

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### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

#### Frequency range

```
%% setup FDTD parameter & excitation function
max_timesteps = 30000;
min_decrement = 1e-5; % equivalent to -50 dB
f0 = 0e9; % center frequency
fc = 3e9; % 20 dB corner frequency (in this case 0 Hz - 3e9 Hz)
FDTD = InitFDTD('NrTS', max_timesteps, 'EndCriteria', min_decrement);
FDTD = SetGaussExcite(FDTD, f0, fc);
BC = {'MUR' 'MUR' 'MUR' 'MUR' 'MUR' 'MUR'}; % boundary conditions
if (use pml>0)
    BC = {'PML_8' 'PML_8' 'PML_8' 'PML_8' 'PML_8' 'PML_8'}; % use pml instead of mur
end
FDTD = SetBoundaryCond(FDTD, BC);
```

## 4. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

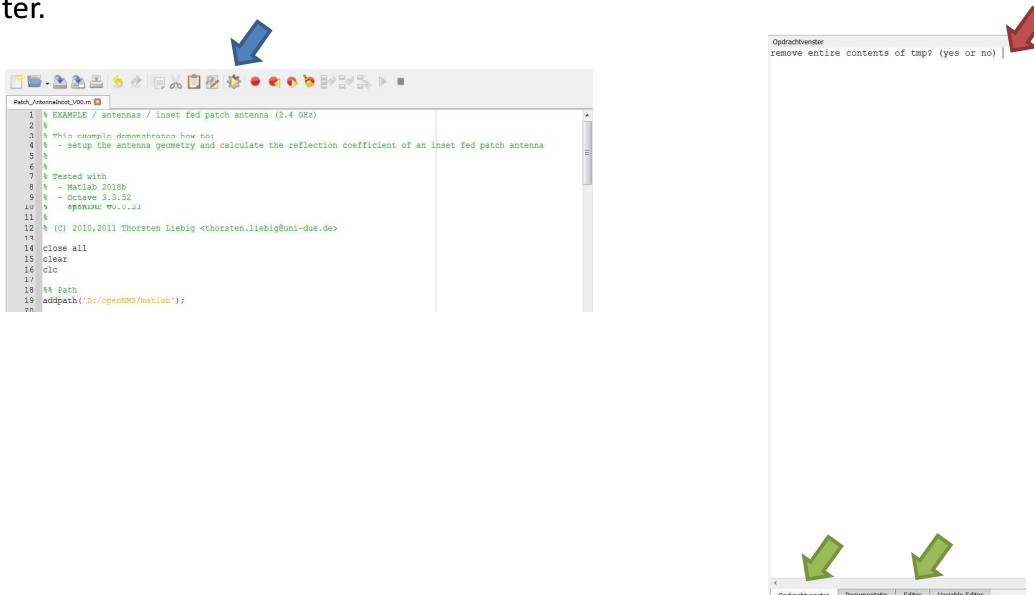
### Setting up a Full-Wave EM simulation of a patch antenna

```
%% setup CSXCAD geometry & mesh
% currently, openEMS cannot automatically generate a mesh
max_res = c0 / (f0+fc) / unit / 20; % cell size: lambda/20
CSX = InitCSX();
mesh.x = [-SimBox(1)/2 SimBox(1)/2 -substrate.width/2 substrate.width/2 feed.pos];
% add patch mesh with 2/3 - 1/3 rule
mesh.x = [mesh.x -patch.width/2-max_res/2*0.66 -patch.width/2+max_res/2*0.33 patch.width/2+max_res/2*0.66 patch.width/2-max_res/2*0.33];
mesh.x = SmoothMeshLines( mesh.x, max_res, 1.4); % create a smooth mesh between specified mesh lines
mesh.y = [-SimBox(2)/2 SimBox(2)/2 -substrate.length/2 substrate.length/2 -feed.width/2 feed.width/2];
% add patch mesh with 2/3 - 1/3 rule
mesh.y = [mesh.y -patch.length/2-max_res/2*0.66 -patch.length/2+max_res/2*0.33 patch.length/2+max_res/2*0.66 patch.length/2-max_res/2*0.33];
mesh.y = SmoothMeshLines( mesh.y, max_res, 1.4 );
mesh.z = [-SimBox(3)/2 linspace(0,substrate.thickness,substrate.cells) SimBox(3) ];
% SmoothMeshLines( mesh.z, max_res, 1.4 );
mesh = AddPML( mesh, [8 8 8 8 8] ); % add equidistant cells (air around the structure)
CSX = DefineRectGrid( CSX, unit, mesh );
```

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### Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation

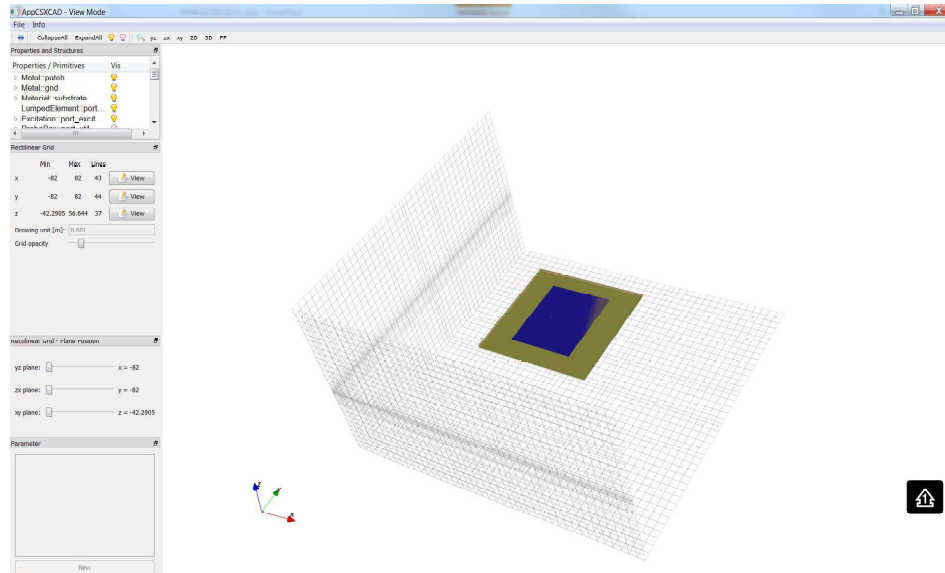
Press save and run (blue arrow). Go to opdrachtvenster type 'yes' (red arrow) and press enter.



## 4. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

### Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation

Next appCSXCAD will open showing the patch antenna in 3D ....



## 4. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

### Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation

... Close the program and it will run.

```
remove entire contents of tmp? (yes or no) yes
invoking AppCSXCAD, exit to continue script...
QCSXCAD - disabling editing

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| openEMS 64bit -- version v0.0.35
| (C) 2010-2016 Thorsten Liebig <thorsten.liebig@gmx.de>  GPL license
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Used external libraries:
  CSXCAD -- Version: v0.6.2
  hdf5   -- Version: 1.8.12
           compiled against: HDF5 library version: 1.8.12
  tinyxml -- compiled against: 2.6.2
  fparser
  boost   -- compiled against: 1_57
  vtk     -- Version: 6.1.0
           compiled against: 6.1.0

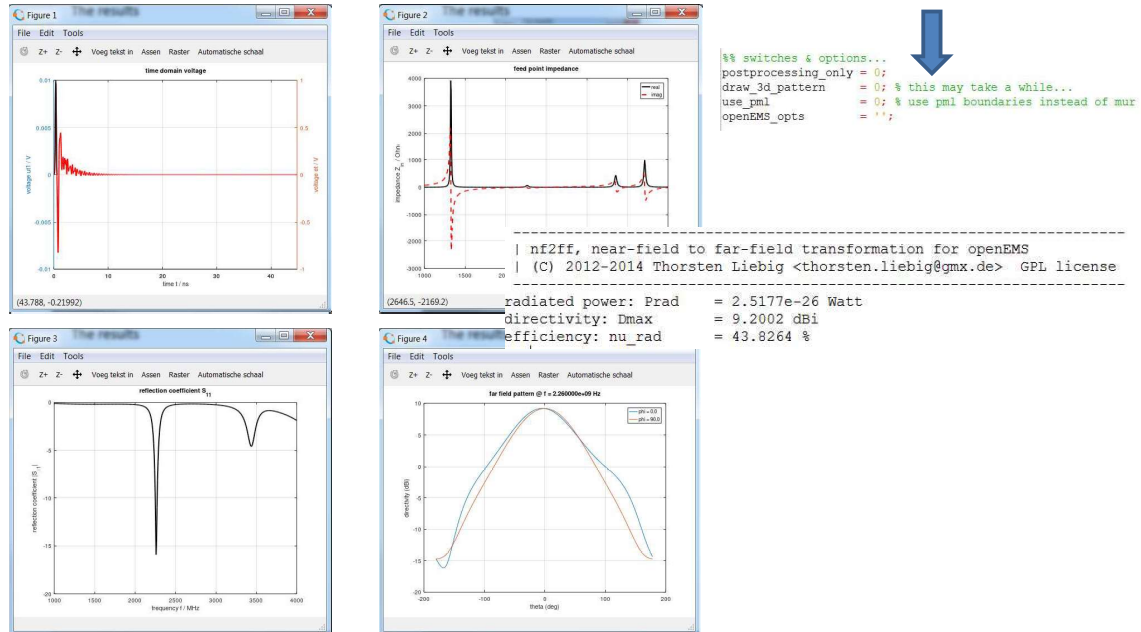
Create FDTD operator (compressed SSE + multi-threading)
FDTD simulation size: 49x44x34 --> 73304 FDTD cells
FDTD timestep is: 1.49332e-012 s; Nyquist rate: 83 timesteps @4.03403e+009 Hz
Excitation signal length is: 480 timesteps (7.16794e-010s)
Max. number of timesteps: 30000 ( --> 62.5 * Excitation signal length)
Create FDTD engine (compressed SSE + multi threading)
Running FDTD engine... this may take a while... grab a cup of coffee?!?
[0  4s] Timestep:      720 || Speed:   12.9 MC/s (5.694e-003 s/TS) || Energy: ~1.88e-013 (~ 3
[0  8s] Timestep:     1460 || Speed:   13.5 MC/s (5.414e-003 s/TS) || Energy: ~3.21e-014 (~10
```



## 4. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - ANTENNA

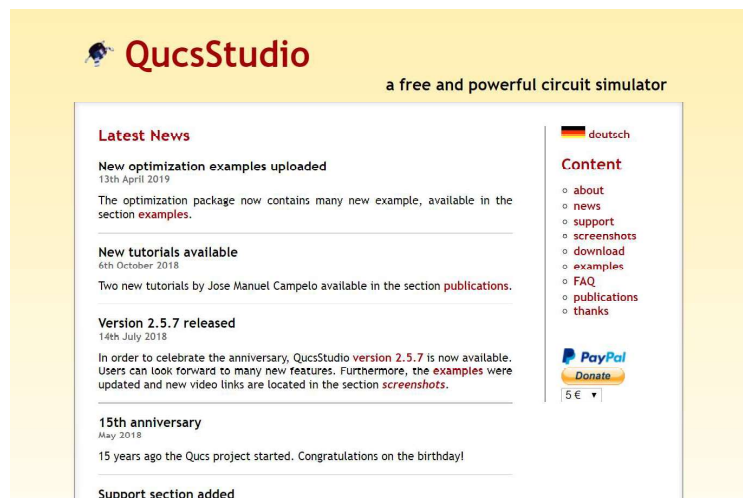
### Alternative Full-Wave EM simulation

#### The results



## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### QucsStudio



**QucsStudio**  
a free and powerful circuit simulator

**Latest News**

- New optimization examples uploaded**  
13th April 2019  
The optimization package now contains many new example, available in the section [examples](#).
- New tutorials available**  
6th October 2018  
Two new tutorials by Jose Manuel Campelo available in the section [publications](#).
- Version 2.5.7 released**  
14th July 2018  
In order to celebrate the anniversary, QucsStudio version 2.5.7 is now available. Users can look forward to many new features. Furthermore, the examples were updated and new video links are located in the section [screenshots](#).
- 15th anniversary**  
May 2018  
15 years ago the Qucs project started. Congratulations on the birthday!
- Support section added**

<http://dd6um.darc.de/QucsStudio/qucsstudio.html>

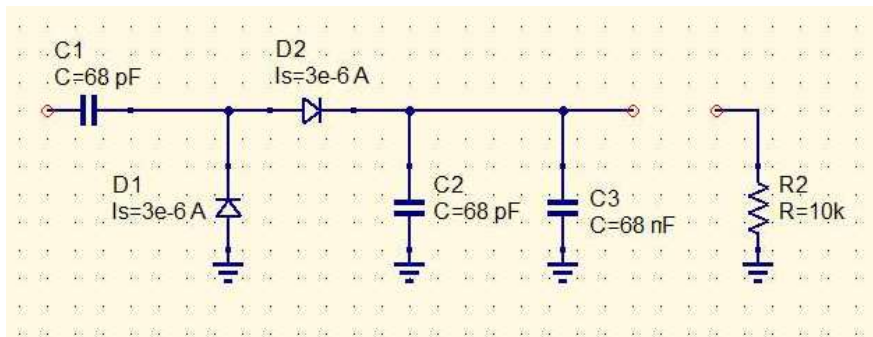
We will analyze a voltage doubler circuit (two diodes) as an example



## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Only the circuit, don't worry about sources or measurements yet

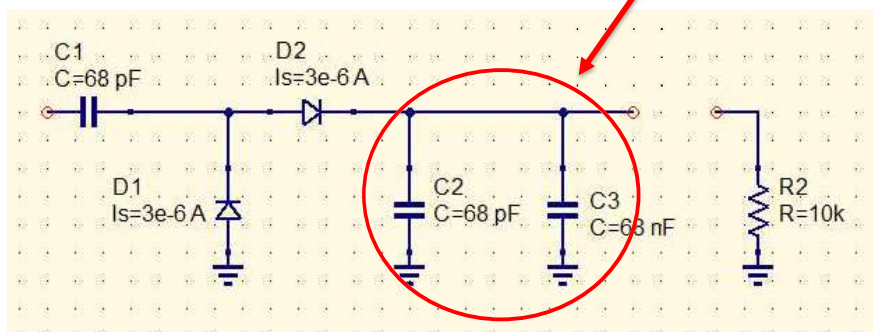


## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Only the circuit, don't worry about sources or measurements yet

Note: QUCS just regards those as if they are one capacitor of 68068 pF

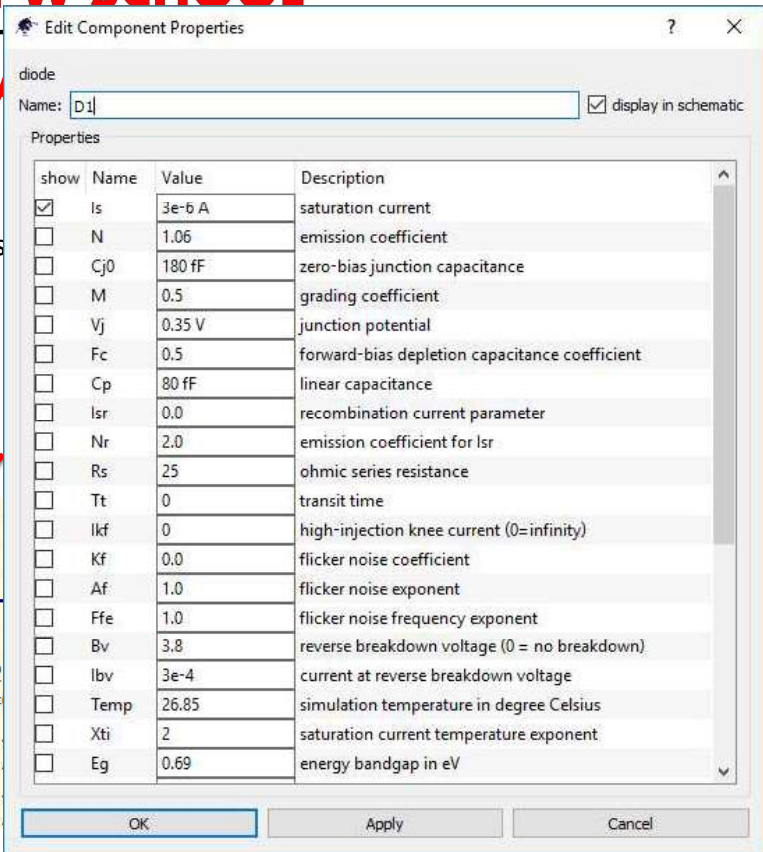
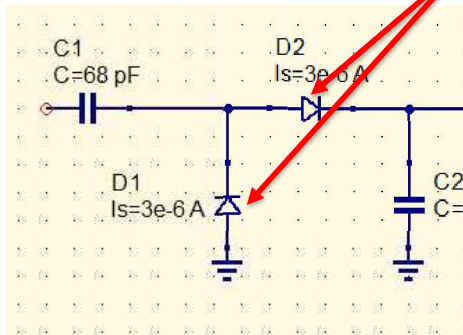


## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Only the circuit, don't worry about simulation

Diode parameters can be found in the datasheet.  
If you can't find  $C_p$ , use 70~80 fF for a SOT-23 package

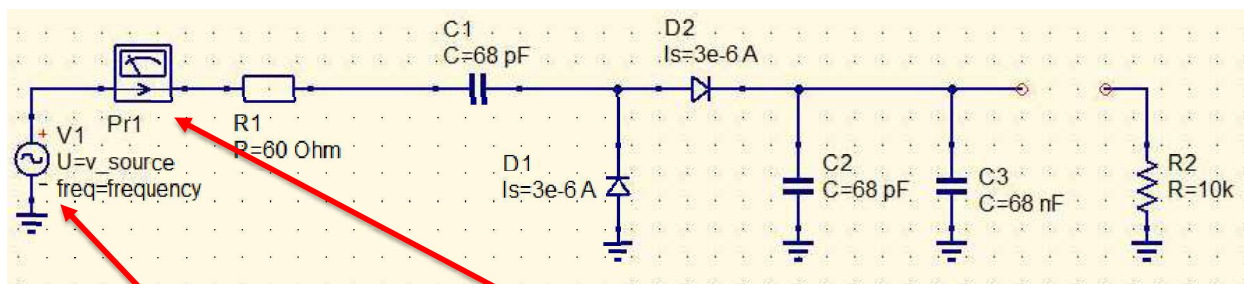


## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Add

- AC voltage source
- Source impedance (exact value is not critical)
- Source current measurement



QUCS:  
Sources/AC Voltage Source

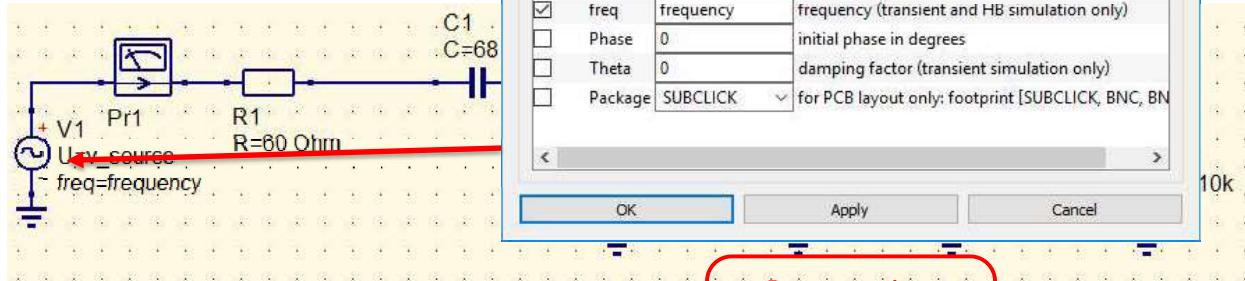
QUCS:  
Devices/Current Probe

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Add

- AC voltage source
- Source impedance (exact value is not critical)
- Source current measurement



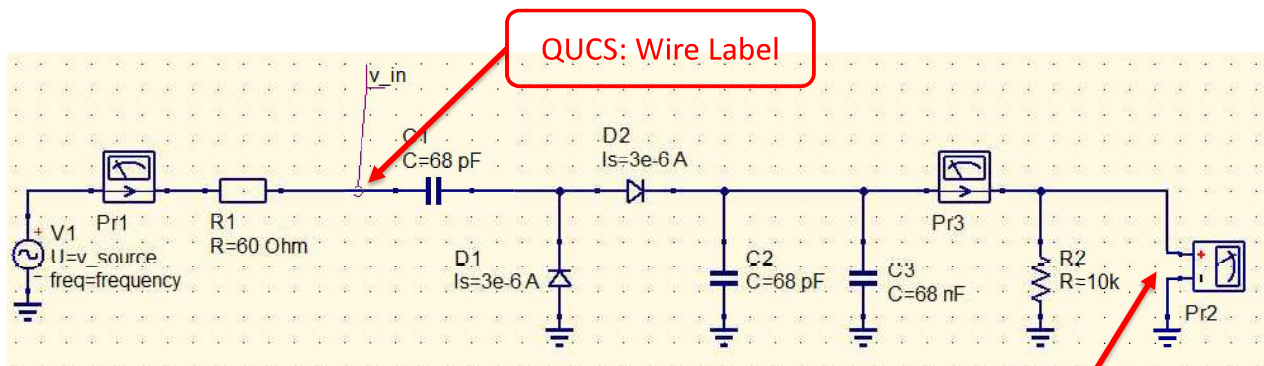
Parametrize:  
U = 'v\_source'  
freq = 'frequency'

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

Add

- AC voltage source
- Source impedance (exact value is not critical)
- Source current measurement

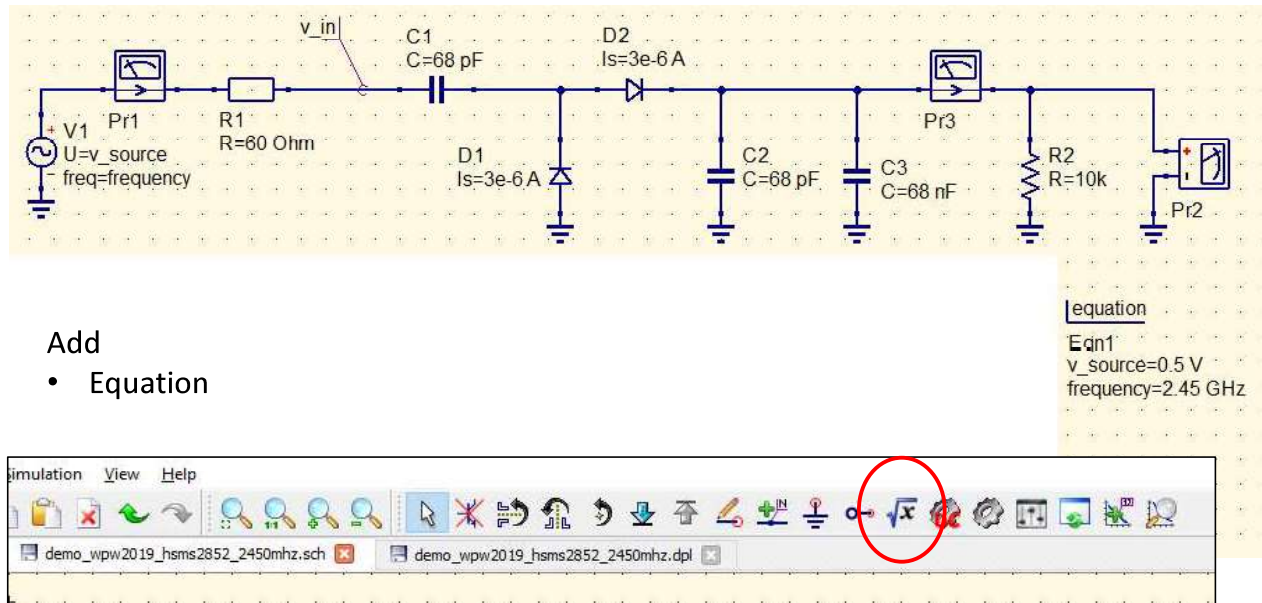


QUCS: Wire Label

QUCS:  
Devices/Voltage Probe

## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit

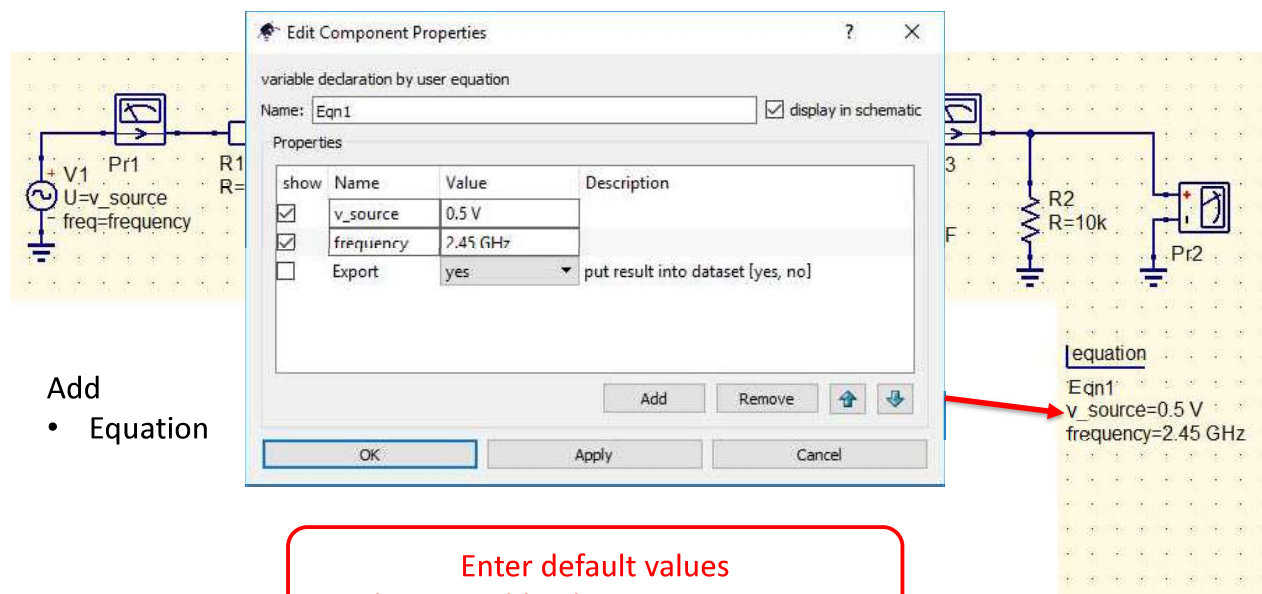


Add

- Equation

## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit



Add

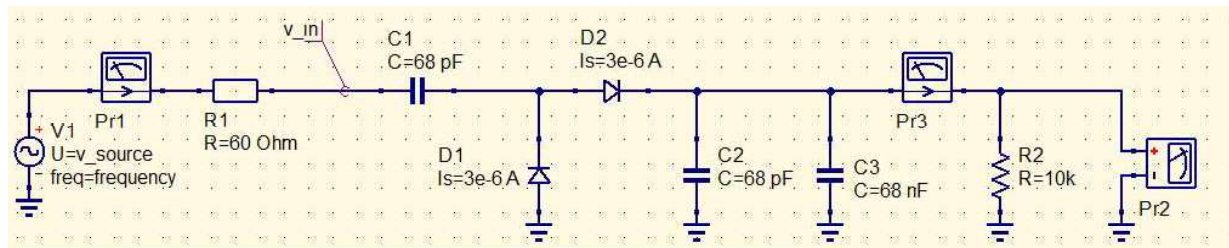
- Equation

Enter default values  
Can be overridden by a Parameter Sweep



## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit



Add

- Harmonic Balance Simulation
  - Max order or harmonics = 8
  - Max number of iterations = 5000

Harmonic balance simulation

Equation

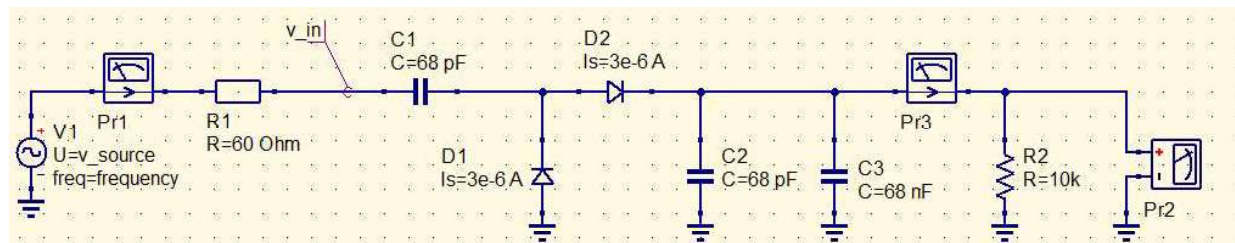
Eqn1  
v\_source=0.5 V  
frequency=2.45 GHz

HB1

QUCS:  
Simulations/Harmonic Balance

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit



Add

- Parameter Sweep

Parameter sweep

Harmonic balance simulation

Equation

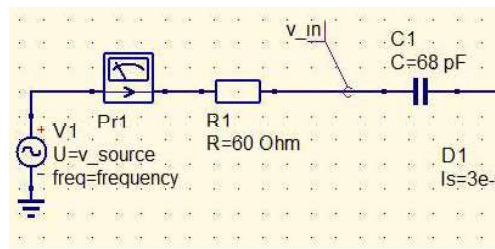
Eqn1  
v\_source=0.5 V  
frequency=2.45 GHz

SW1  
Sim=HB1  
Param=v\_source  
Type=lin  
Start=0.1 V  
Stop=5 V  
Points=491

QUCS:  
Simulation/Parameter Sweep

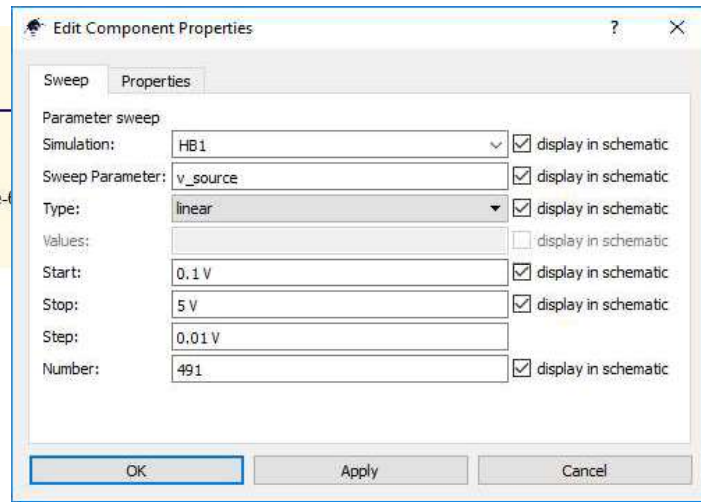
## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit



Add

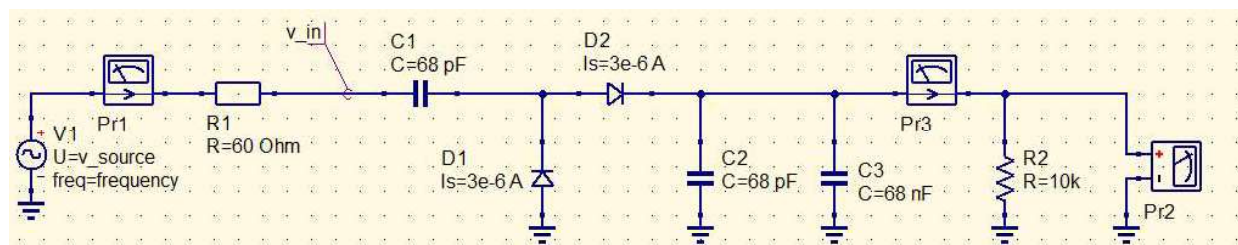
- Parameter Sweep



Sweep 'v\_source'  
from 0.1 to 5.0 V  
in 0.01 V steps  
linearly

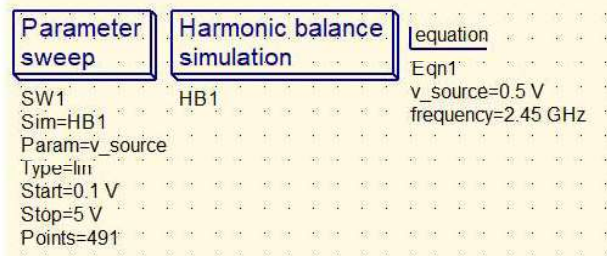
## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Generate the circuit



Add

- Parameter Sweep



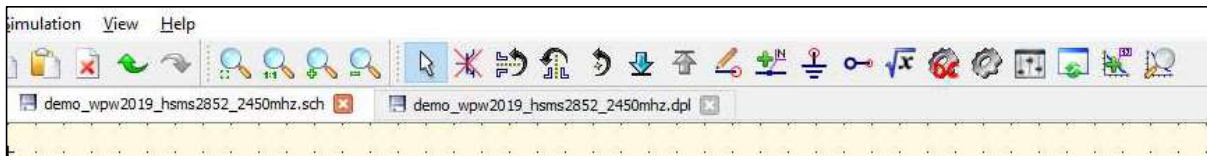
You can add multiple  
parameter sweeps to create a  
multi-dimensional simulation



## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Run the Simulation

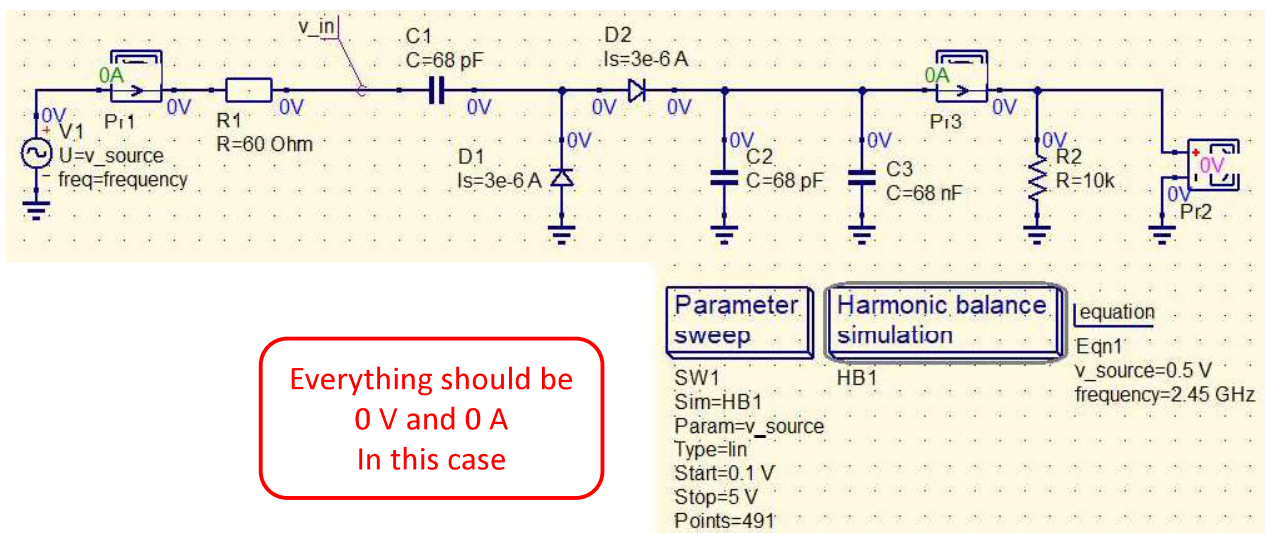
First run a DC simulation to check whether everything is OK



## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Run the Simulation

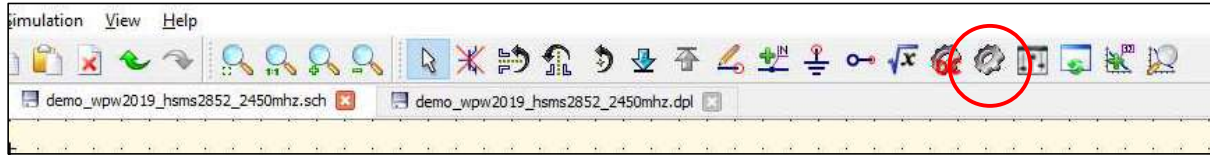
First run a DC simulation to check whether everything is OK



## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Run the Simulation

Now run the Harmonic Balance Simulation

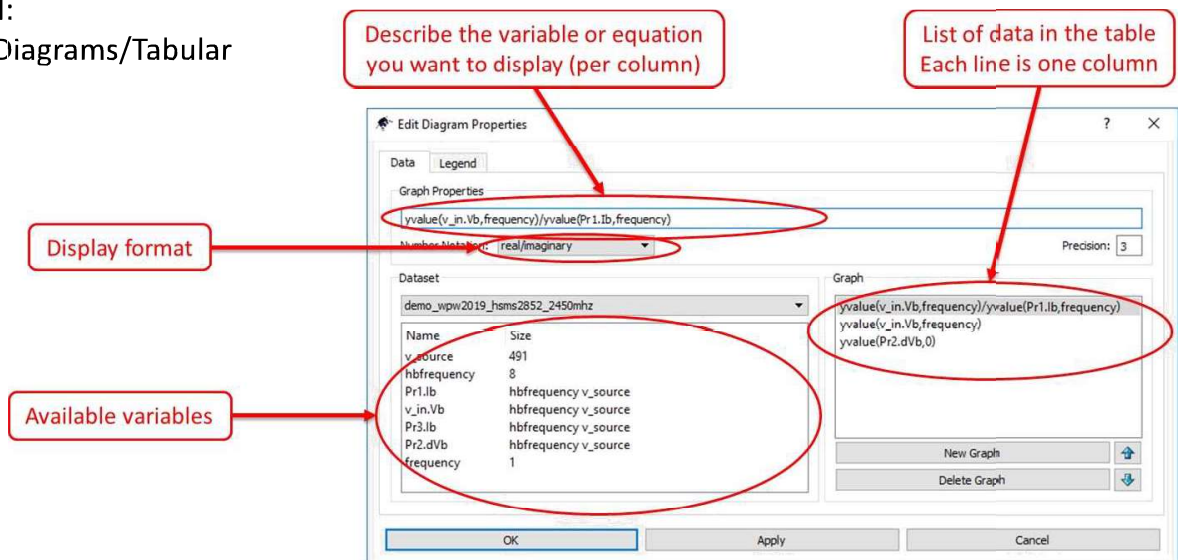


## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Visualize the Results

Add:

- Diagrams/Tabular

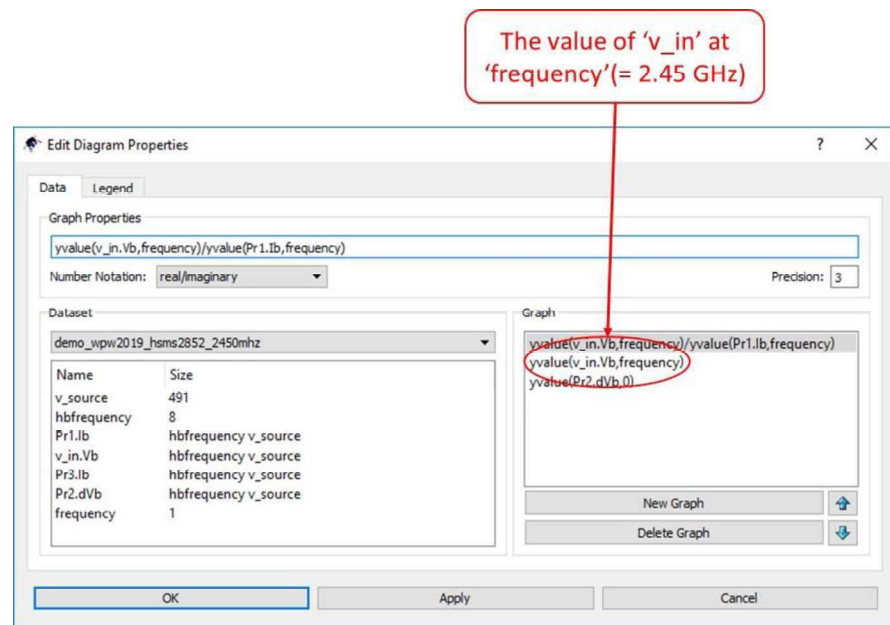


## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Visualize the Results

Add:

- Diagrams/Tabular
  - $Z_{in}$
  - $V_{in}$
  - $V_{out}$

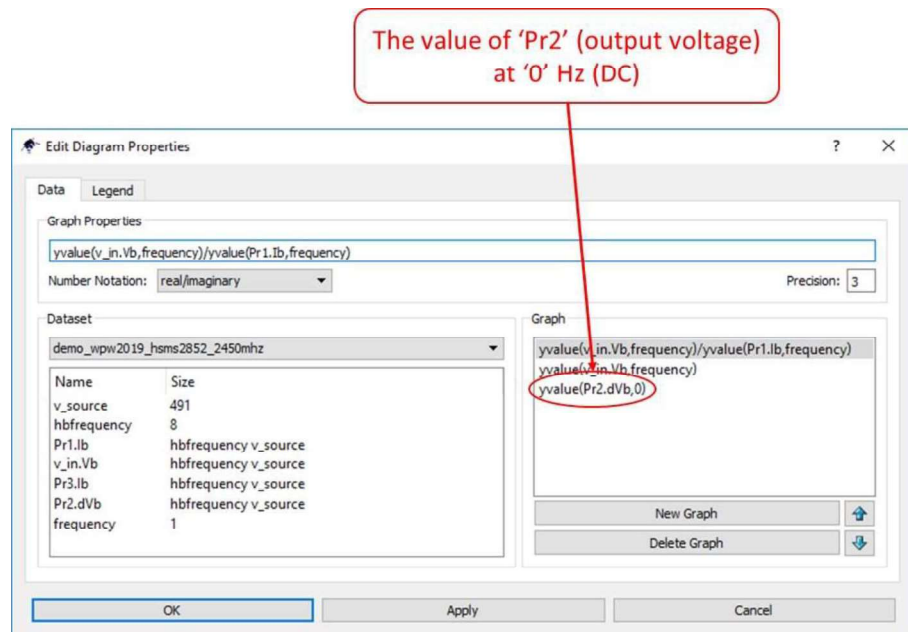


## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Visualize the Results

Add:

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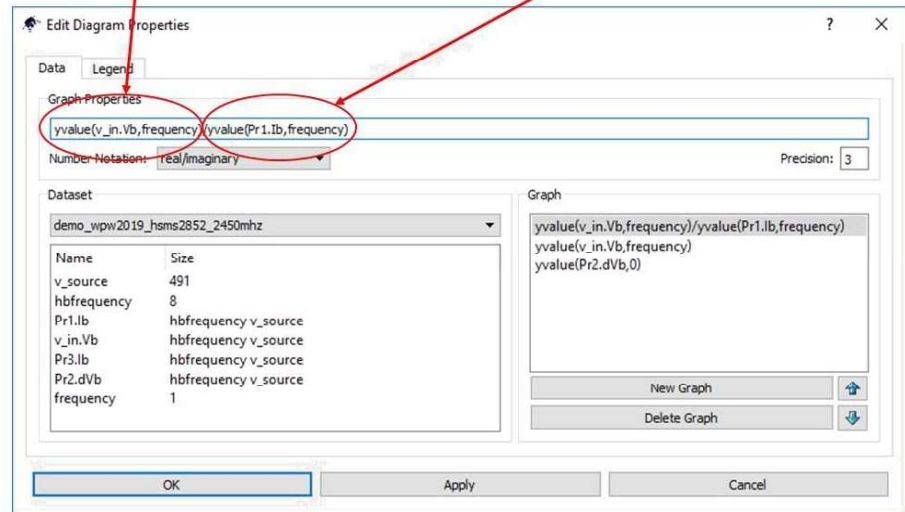
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$$Z_{in} = V_{in} / I_{in}$$

The value of 'v\_in' at 'frequency' (= 2.45 GHz)

The value of 'Pr1' (input current) at 'frequency' (= 2.45 GHz)



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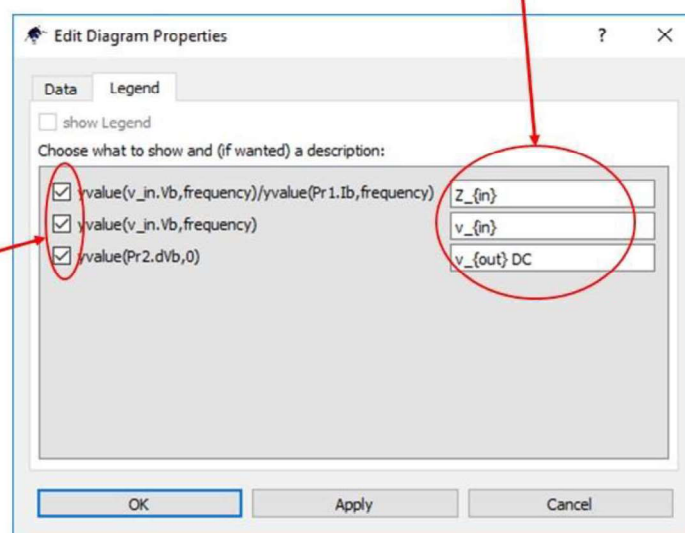
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## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Visualize the Results

| v_source | Z_{in}    | v_{in}        | v_{out} DC |
|----------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| 1.54     | 33.2-j179 | 1.39 / -17°   | 2.2        |
| 1.55     | 33.3-j179 | 1.4 / -17°    | 2.22       |
| 1.56     | 33.3-j179 | 1.41 / -17°   | 2.24       |
| 1.57     | 33.4-j179 | 1.42 / -17°   | 2.25       |
| 1.58     | 33.4-j180 | 1.43 / -16.9° | 2.27       |
| 1.59     | 33.5-j180 | 1.44 / -16.9° | 2.29       |
| 1.6      | 33.6-j180 | 1.44 / -16.9° | 2.3        |
| 1.61     | 33.6-j180 | 1.45 / -16.9° | 2.32       |
| 1.62     | 33.7-j181 | 1.46 / -16.9° | 2.33       |
| 1.63     | 33.8-j181 | 1.47 / -16.8° | 2.35       |
| 1.64     | 33.8-j181 | 1.48 / -16.8° | 2.37       |
| 1.65     | 33.9-j181 | 1.49 / -16.8° | 2.38       |
| 1.66     | 34-j181   | 1.5 / -16.8°  | 2.4        |
| 1.67     | 34-j182   | 1.51 / -16.8° | 2.42       |
| 1.68     | 34.1-j182 | 1.52 / -16.7° | 2.43       |
| 1.69     | 34.1-j182 | 1.53 / -16.7° | 2.45       |
| 1.7      | 34.2-j182 | 1.54 / -16.7° | 2.47       |
| 1.71     | 34.3-j182 | 1.55 / -16.7° | 2.48       |
| 1.72     | 34.3-j183 | 1.55 / -16.7° | 2.5        |
| 1.73     | 34.4-j183 | 1.56 / -16.7° | 2.51       |
| 1.74     | 34.5-j183 | 1.57 / -16.6° | 2.53       |
| 1.75     | 34.5-j183 | 1.58 / -16.6° | 2.55       |

Real / imag

Mag / phase

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Visualize the Results

Choose the desired output voltage

For example:

- 2.5 V

Corresponds to input impedance

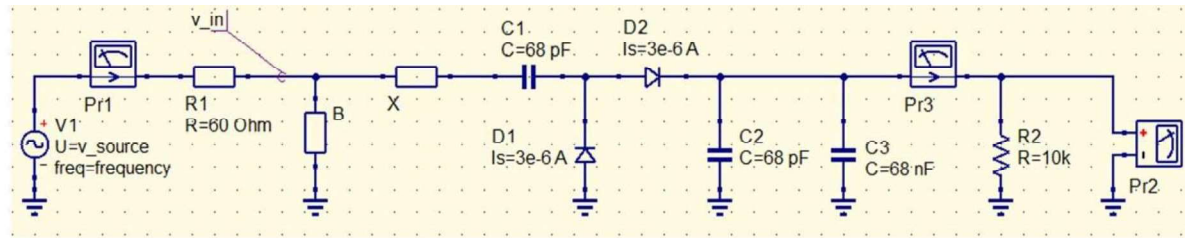
- 34.3 – j183  $\Omega$

| v_source | Z_{in}    | v_{in}        | v_{out} DC |
|----------|-----------|---------------|------------|
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| 1.67     | 34-j182   | 1.51 / -16.8° | 2.42       |
| 1.68     | 34.1-j182 | 1.52 / -16.7° | 2.43       |
| 1.69     | 34.1-j182 | 1.53 / -16.7° | 2.45       |
| 1.7      | 34.2-j182 | 1.54 / -16.7° | 2.47       |
| 1.71     | 34.3-j182 | 1.55 / -16.7° | 2.48       |
| 1.72     | 34.3-j183 | 1.55 / -16.7° | 2.5        |
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## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier



Input impedance =  $34.3 - j183 \Omega$

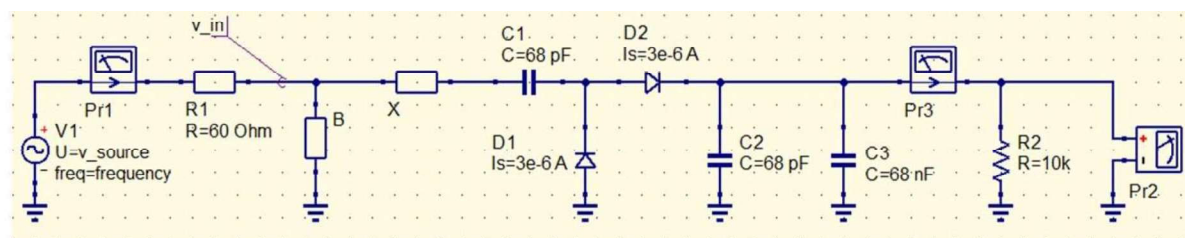
$Z_0 = 50 \Omega$

$\text{Re}(Z_{in}) < \text{Re}(Z_0)$  [1]

[1] David M. Pozar, Microwave Engineering, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, Wiley, New York, NY, 2011

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier



$$B = \pm \frac{\sqrt{(Z_0 - R_L)/R_L}}{Z_0} [\Omega^{-1}]$$

$$X_L = j\omega L [\Omega]$$

$$X = \pm \sqrt{R_L(Z_0 - R_L)} - X_L [\Omega]$$

$$X_C = \frac{1}{j\omega C} [\Omega]$$

Solution 1:  $X = 13.4 \text{ nH}$   $B = 0.88 \text{ pF}$   
 Solution 2:  $X = 10.4 \text{ nH}$   $B = 4.80 \text{ nH}$

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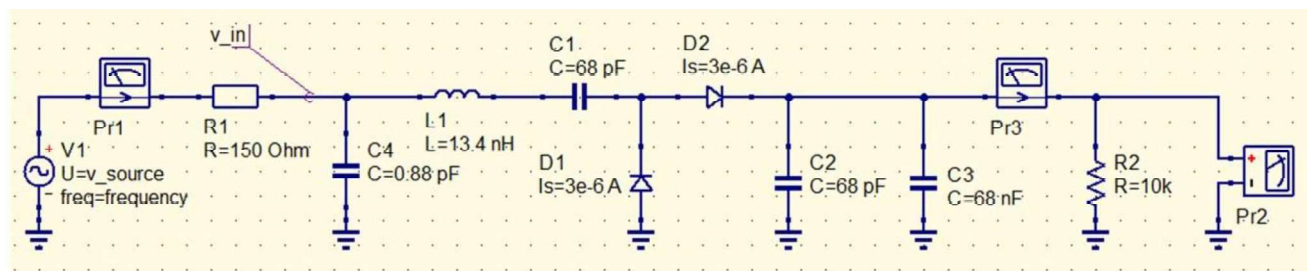
Add columns to the table:

- Power Transfer Efficiency:  $P_{out}/P_{in}$  [%]
- $100 * \underbrace{(yvalue(Pr3.lb,0)*yvalue(Pr2.dVb,0))}_{\text{}} / \underbrace{(real(yvalue(v\_in.Vb,frequency))*yvalue(Pr1.lb,frequency))*0.5)}_{\text{}}$
- $P_{in}$  [dBm]
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Give the columns appropriate titles

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

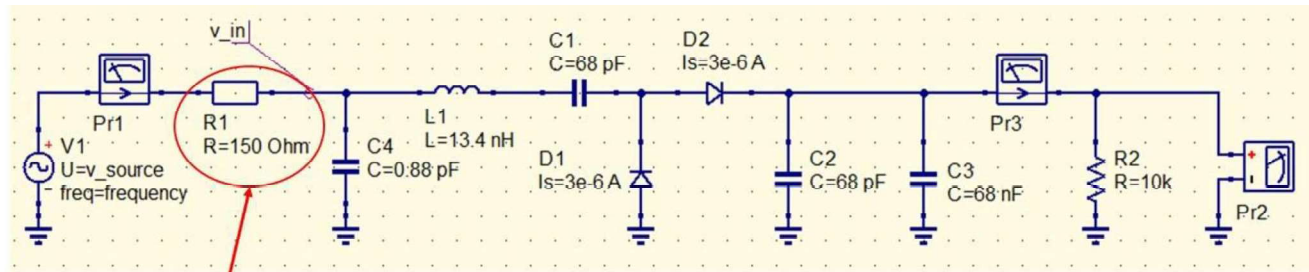
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## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier



Solution 1:

$X = 13.4 \text{ nH}$

$B = 0.88 \text{ pF}$

I had to change the value to keep the simulation stable

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier

Solution 1:

$X = 13.4 \text{ nH}$

$B = 0.88 \text{ pF}$

$V_{out} = 2.5 \text{ V}$

$Z_{in} = 52.5 + j2.29 \Omega$

$V_{in} = 354 \text{ mV}$

$P_{in} \approx +1 \text{ dBm}$

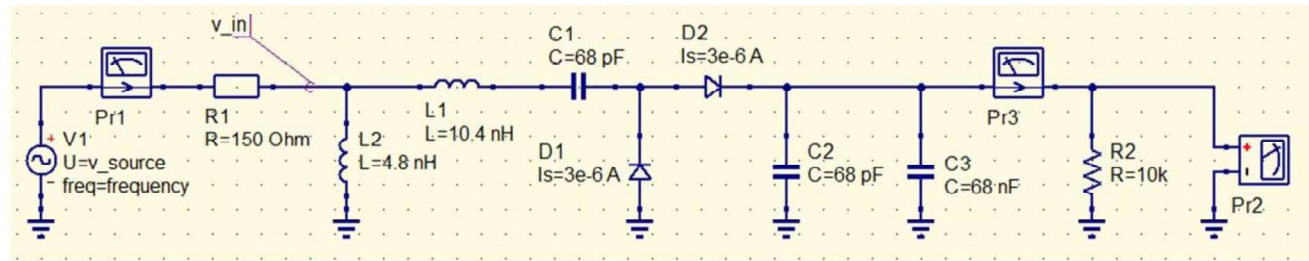
$\eta = 52.3 \%$

QUCS uses  $V_{peak}$ , not  $V_{RMS}$

| $v_{source}$ | $Z_{in}$    | $v_{in}$       | $v_{out}$ DC | PCE  | $p_{in}$ [dBm] |
|--------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|------|----------------|
| 1.34         | 53.1+j2.77  | 0.352 / 2.21°  | 2.46         | 52   | 0.922+j0.335   |
| 1.35         | 53+j2.65    | 0.352 / 2.12°  | 2.47         | 52.1 | 0.938+j0.321   |
| 1.35         | 52.8+j2.53  | 0.353 / 2.03°  | 2.48         | 52.2 | 0.953+j0.308   |
| 1.36         | 52.6+j2.41  | 0.354 / 1.94°  | 2.49         | 52.2 | 0.969+j0.294   |
| 1.37         | 52.5+j2.29  | 0.354 / 1.85°  | 2.5          | 52.3 | 0.984+j0.281   |
| 1.37         | 52.3+j2.17  | 0.355 / 1.76°  | 2.51         | 52.4 | 1+j0.267       |
| 1.38         | 52.1+j2.05  | 0.355 / 1.67°  | 2.52         | 52.4 | 1.02+j0.254    |
| 1.38         | 52+j1.93    | 0.356 / 1.58°  | 2.53         | 52.5 | 1.03+j0.24     |
| 1.39         | 51.8+j1.82  | 0.357 / 1.49°  | 2.54         | 52.6 | 1.05+j0.226    |
| 1.39         | 51.7+j1.7   | 0.357 / 1.4°   | 2.55         | 52.6 | 1.06+j0.213    |
| 1.4          | 51.5+j1.59  | 0.358 / 1.31°  | 2.56         | 52.7 | 1.08+j0.199    |
| 1.41         | 51.4+j1.47  | 0.359 / 1.22°  | 2.57         | 52.7 | 1.09+j0.186    |
| 1.41         | 51.2+j1.36  | 0.359 / 1.13°  | 2.58         | 52.8 | 1.11+j0.172    |
| 1.42         | 51+j1.25    | 0.36 / 1.04°   | 2.59         | 52.9 | 1.12+j0.158    |
| 1.42         | 50.9+j1.14  | 0.361 / 0.955° | 2.6          | 52.9 | 1.14+j0.145    |
| 1.43         | 50.8+j1.03  | 0.361 / 0.865° | 2.61         | 53   | 1.16+j0.131    |
| 1.43         | 50.6+j0.916 | 0.362 / 0.775° | 2.62         | 53   | 1.17+j0.118    |
| 1.44         | 50.5+j0.807 | 0.363 / 0.685° | 2.63         | 53.1 | 1.19+j0.104    |
| 1.45         | 50.3+j0.698 | 0.363 / 0.595° | 2.64         | 53.2 | 1.2+j0.0903    |
| 1.45         | 50.2+j0.591 | 0.364 / 0.506° | 2.65         | 53.2 | 1.22+j0.0766   |
| 1.46         | 50+j0.484   | 0.364 / 0.416° | 2.66         | 53.3 | 1.23+j0.063    |

## 5. FREEWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier



Solution 2:  $X = 10.4 \text{ nH}$   $B = 4.80 \text{ nH}$

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Solution 2:  $X = 10.4 \text{ nH}$   $B = 4.80 \text{ nH}$

$$V_{\text{out}} = 2.5 \text{ V}$$

$$Z_{\text{in}} = 46.4 + j0.254 \Omega$$

$$V_{\text{in}} = 333 \text{ mV}$$

$$P_{\text{in}} \approx +0.5 \text{ dBm}$$

$$\eta = 52.3 \%$$

QUCS uses  $V_{\text{peak}}$  not  $V_{\text{RMS}}$

| v_source | Z_in         | v_in             | v_out DC | PCE  | p_in [dBm]       |
|----------|--------------|------------------|----------|------|------------------|
| 1.34     | 42.9+j0.989  | 0.298 / 1.03°    | 2.3      | 51   | -0.501+j0.156    |
| 1.35     | 43.2+j0.918  | 0.301 / 0.946°   | 2.32     | 51.1 | -0.418+j0.143    |
| 1.35     | 43.5+j0.848  | 0.304 / 0.867°   | 2.34     | 51.3 | -0.334+j0.131    |
| 1.36     | 43.8+j0.78   | 0.307 / 0.79°    | 2.35     | 51.4 | -0.251+j0.12     |
| 1.37     | 44.1+j0.713  | 0.31 / 0.716°    | 2.37     | 51.5 | -0.169+j0.109    |
| 1.37     | 44.4+j0.647  | 0.313 / 0.645°   | 2.39     | 51.6 | -0.0868+j0.0978  |
| 1.38     | 44.7+j0.583  | 0.316 / 0.576°   | 2.4      | 51.7 | -0.00523+j0.0873 |
| 1.38     | 45+j0.52     | 0.319 / 0.509°   | 2.42     | 51.8 | 0.0758+j0.0772   |
| 1.39     | 45.3+j0.458  | 0.322 / 0.445°   | 2.44     | 51.9 | 0.156+j0.0675    |
| 1.39     | 45.6+j0.398  | 0.325 / 0.384°   | 2.46     | 52   | 0.236+j0.0582    |
| 1.4      | 45.9+j0.339  | 0.328 / 0.324°   | 2.47     | 52.2 | 0.316+j0.0492    |
| 1.41     | 46.2+j0.282  | 0.331 / 0.267°   | 2.49     | 52.3 | 0.395+j0.0405    |
| 1.41     | 46.5+j0.226  | 0.334 / 0.213°   | 2.51     | 52.4 | 0.473+j0.0323    |
| 1.42     | 46.8+j0.172  | 0.337 / 0.161°   | 2.52     | 52.5 | 0.551+j0.0243    |
| 1.42     | 47.1+j0.119  | 0.34 / 0.11°     | 2.54     | 52.6 | 0.628+j0.0167    |
| 1.43     | 47.4+j0.068  | 0.343 / 0.0625°  | 2.56     | 52.7 | 0.704+j0.00947   |
| 1.43     | 47.7+j0.0182 | 0.346 / 0.0166°  | 2.57     | 52.8 | 0.78+j0.00252    |
| 1.44     | 48-j0.03     | 0.349 / -0.0271° | 2.59     | 52.9 | 0.855-j0.00412   |
| 1.45     | 48.3-j0.0768 | 0.352 / -0.0689° | 2.61     | 53   | 0.93-j0.0105     |
| 1.45     | 48.6-j0.122  | 0.355 / -0.109°  | 2.62     | 53.1 | 1-j0.0165        |
| 1.46     | 48.9-j0.166  | 0.358 / -0.147°  | 2.64     | 53.2 | 1.08-j0.0222     |



## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Match the Rectifier

Possible next steps:

- Verify whether you used enough orders in the Harmonic Balance
- Iterate to find different value of  $P_{in}$  (choose different  $V_{out}$ )
- Change component values to standard values (10.4 nH  $\rightarrow$  10 nH, etc.)
- Add imperfections (ESR, ESL, etc.)
- Investigate bandwidth (use Parameter Sweep)
- Investigate susceptibility to component value tolerances (use Parameter Sweep)
- Usually one of the solutions has better tolerance and bandwidth

## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Export Data

Use the data in other programs

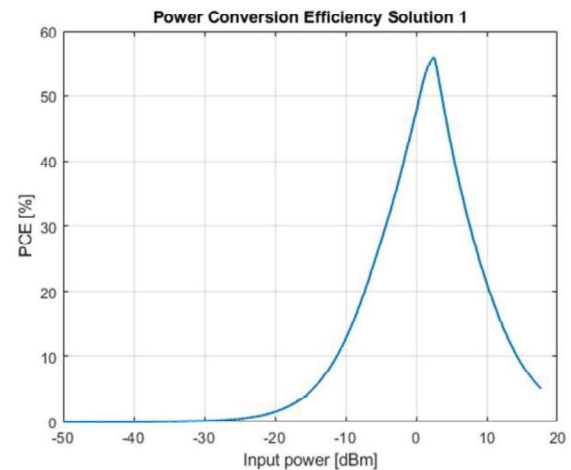
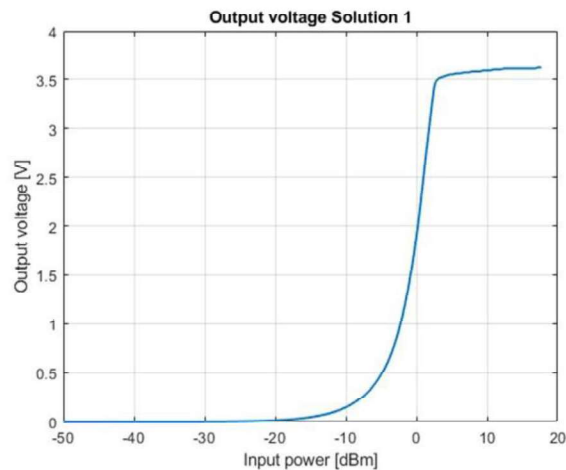
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## 5. FREWARE FULL-WAVE ANALYSIS - RECTIFIER

### Export Data

Use the data in other programs



## 6. CONCLUSIONS

- For a rectenna design we need to predict the antenna resonance frequency and the rectifier input impedance accurately.
- Analytical methods can serve as an alternative to expensive full-wave COTS software.
- Analytical methods are not general purpose.
- Using Octave, OpenEMS and QucsStudio freeware can overcome this problem.
- The designer still needs to have a very good knowledge of the physics and theory involved.



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## Multi-band Rectenna Design for Radio Frequency Energy Harvesting

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Radio-frequency (RF) energy harvesting from ambient electromagnetic signals has a great potential to provide power for sensors and wireless communications. One great challenge of RF energy harvesting is that the power level of ambient electromagnetic signals is usually quite low. It is advantageous to harvest energy from different frequency band and convert the energy to DC with high efficiency. The core component of an RF energy harvesting system is the rectenna - a special type of receiving antenna that can convert electromagnetic energy into DC electricity. A simple rectenna consists of an antenna and a rectifying circuit. During this talk the challenges and potential solutions for harvesting RF energy from different frequency bands will be presented. It will be demonstrated how multi-band antennas suitable for energy harvesting can be designed and how rectifying circuits can be developed to operate with such antennas. Several impedance matching techniques will be introduced to simplify the design and to improve the efficiency of RF/DC conversion. This is crucial because the optimal impedance of a rectifier would vary significantly with frequency and the input power level. Recent development and results will be discussed in the talk.



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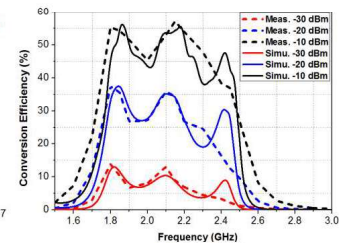
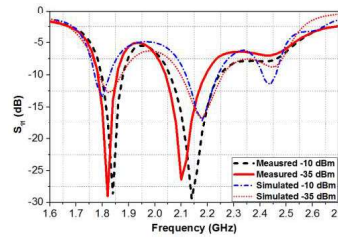
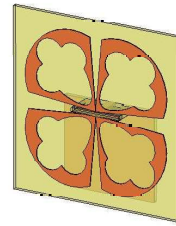


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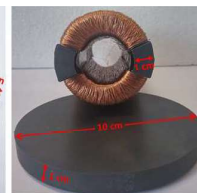
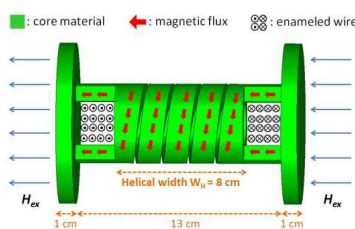
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| Method             | Antennas                                              | Coils                                              | Resonators                                             |
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| Applications       | energy harvesting wireless sensor networks, RFID etc. | Contactless cards, mobile phone charging pads etc. | Electric vehicles, medium range wireless charging etc. |



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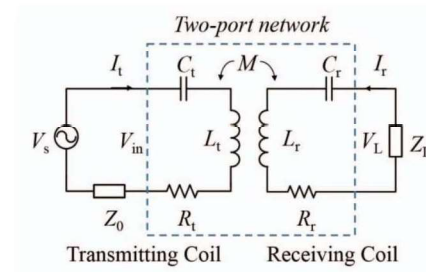
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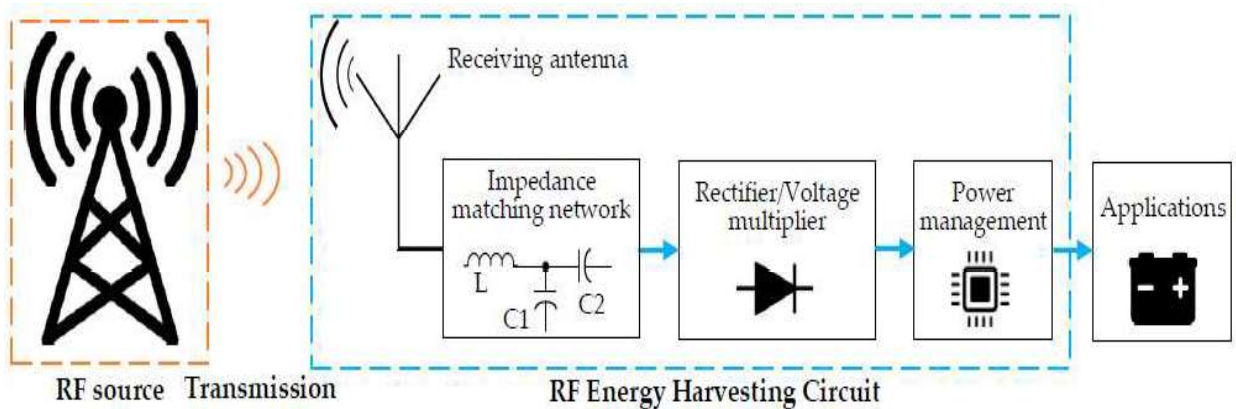
S. Yuan, Y. Huang, Q. Xu, J. Zhou, C. Song and G. Yuan, "A highly efficient helical core for magnetic field energy harvesting", IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics

## • WPT: at Liverpool

|                    | RF energy harvesting                                  | Inductive coupling                                 | Resonance coupling                                     |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Field region       | Far-field radiative                                   | Near-field non-radiative                           | Near-field non-radiative                               |
| Method             | Antennas                                              | Coils                                              | Resonators                                             |
| Effective distance | m to km                                               | mm to cm                                           | cm                                                     |
| Efficiency         | Low                                                   | Medium                                             | High                                                   |
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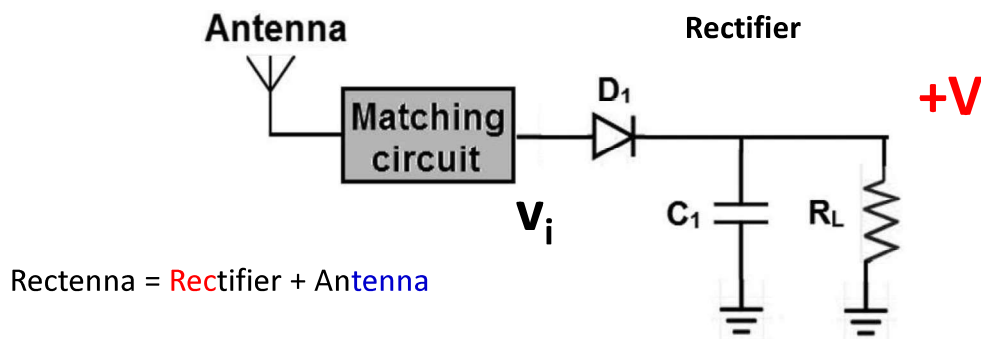


## • Motivation

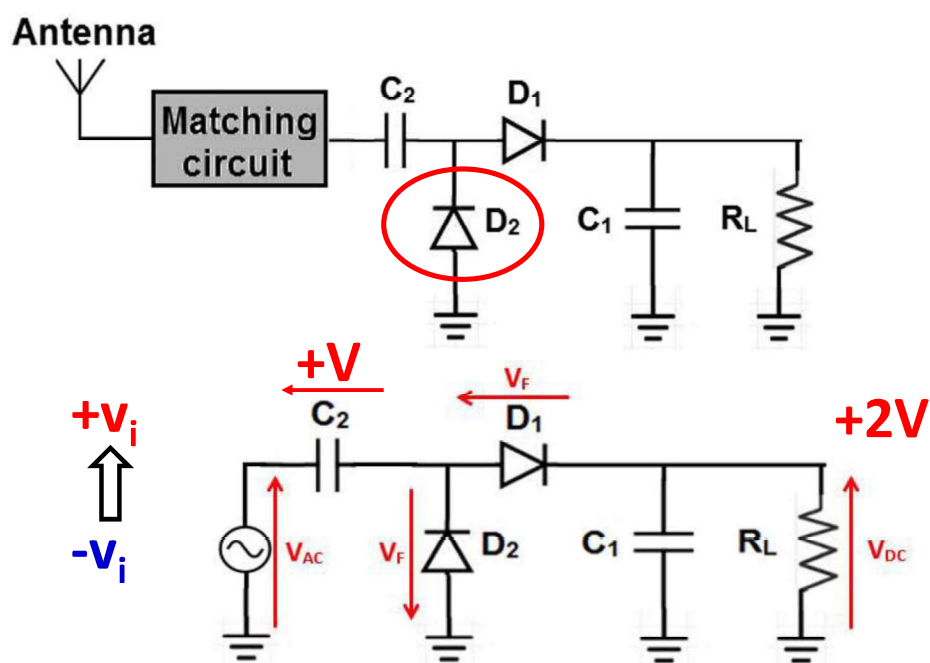




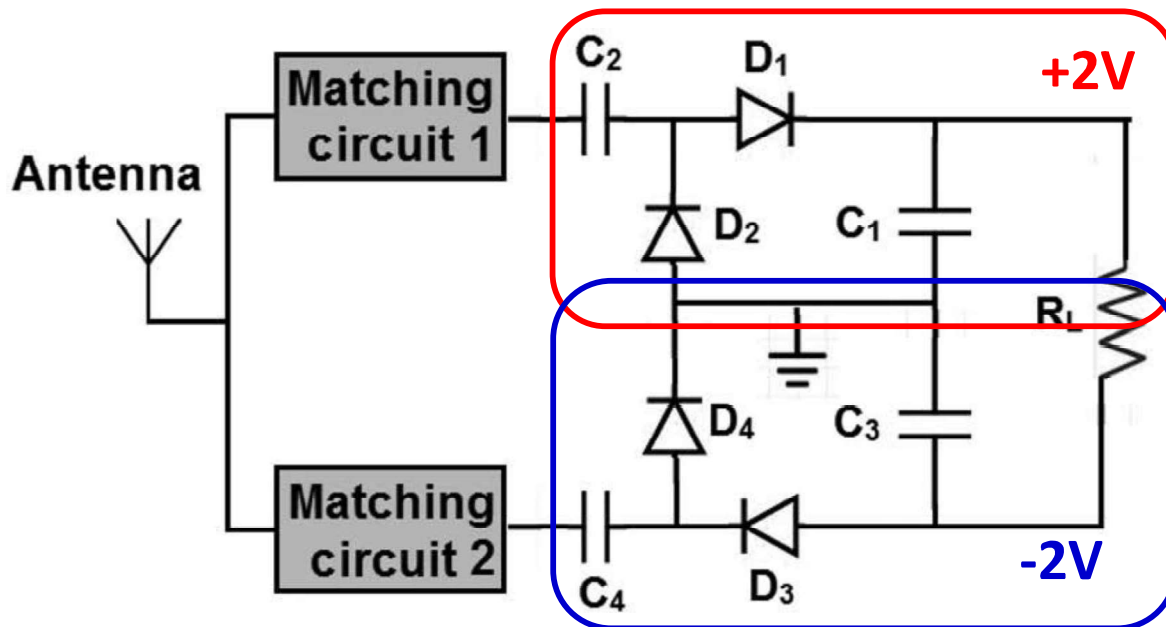
- **Challenges in Wireless Energy Harvesting**
  - Low voltage, hence low efficiency
  - Low power, hence power combining needed
  - Variable working conditions
- How to develop rectennas to address these issues?
  - In its simplest form



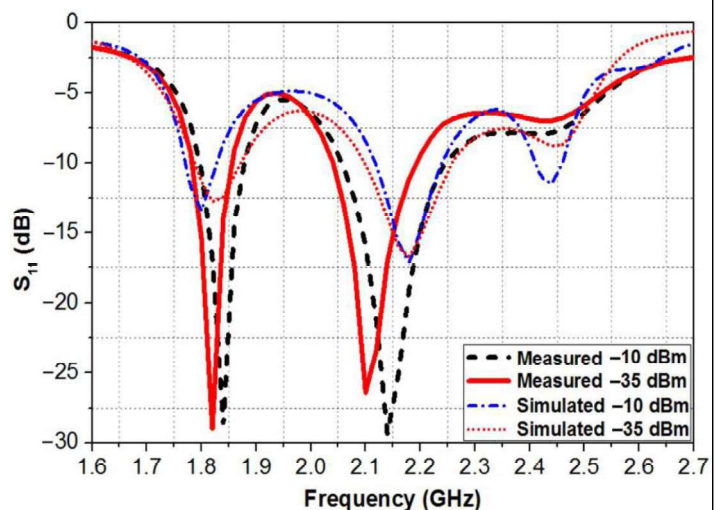
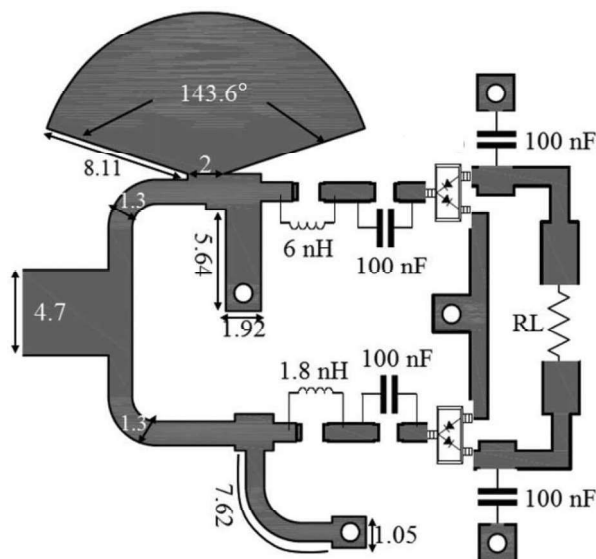
- **Rectifier Design: Voltage doubler**



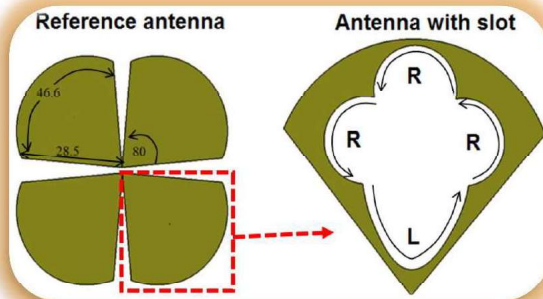
- Full-wave Greinacher rectifying circuit
  - The frequency could be different!



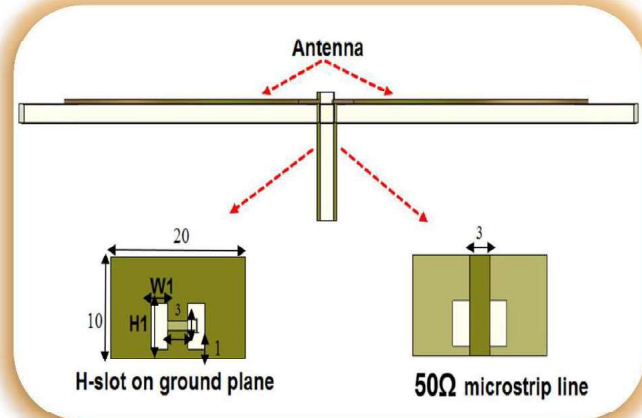
- Fabricated circuit
  - Two branches, three bands (1.8 GHz & 2.45 GHz for the upper branch, 2.1 GHz for the lower band).



- Antenna Design: Flower shape dipole
  - A lowpass/bandpass filter is desired to reject the higher order harmonics

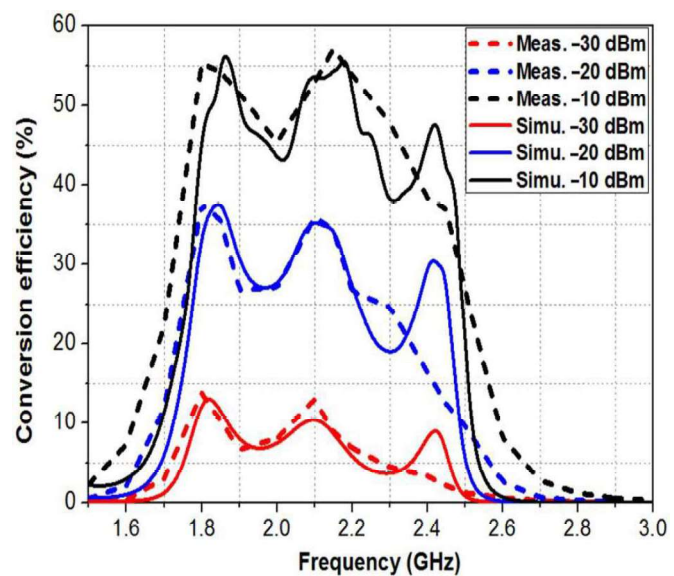
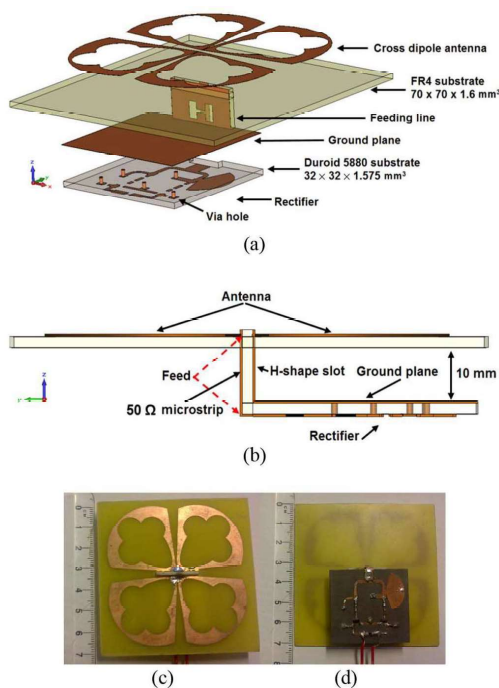


2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic rejection



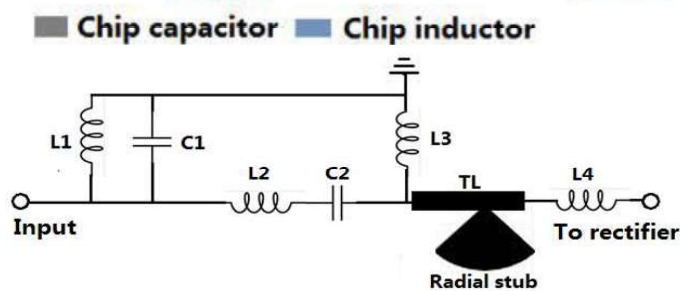
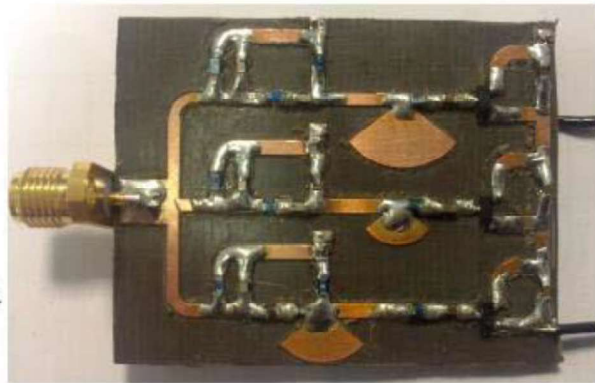
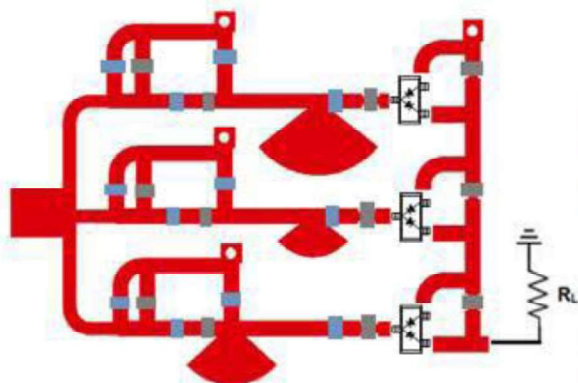
3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic rejection

- Fabricated circuit



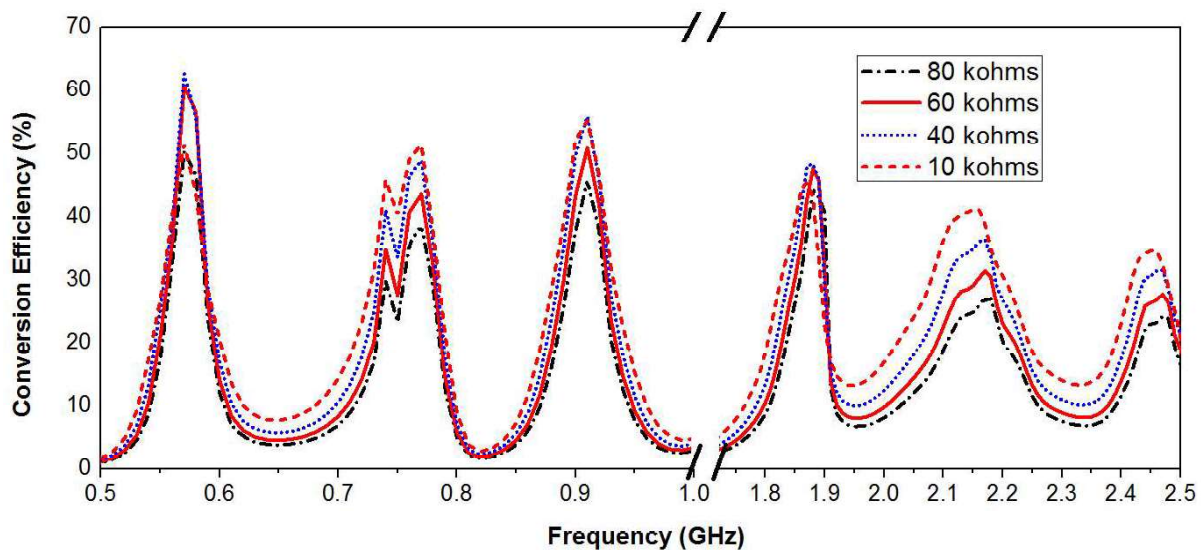
C Song, et al. IEEE TAP, 2015

- Three branches, each covering two bands



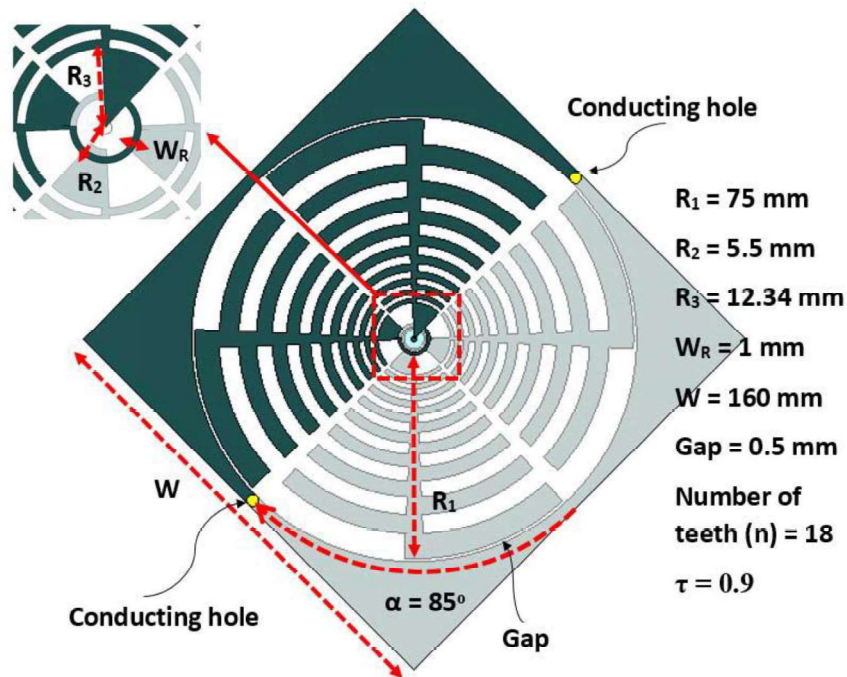
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- Six bands

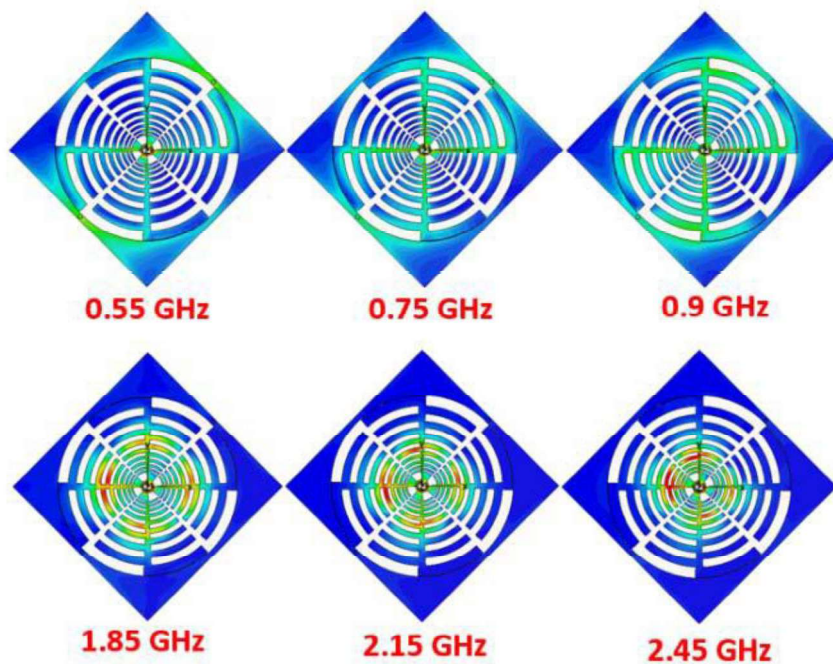




- Wideband circularly polarized antenna design

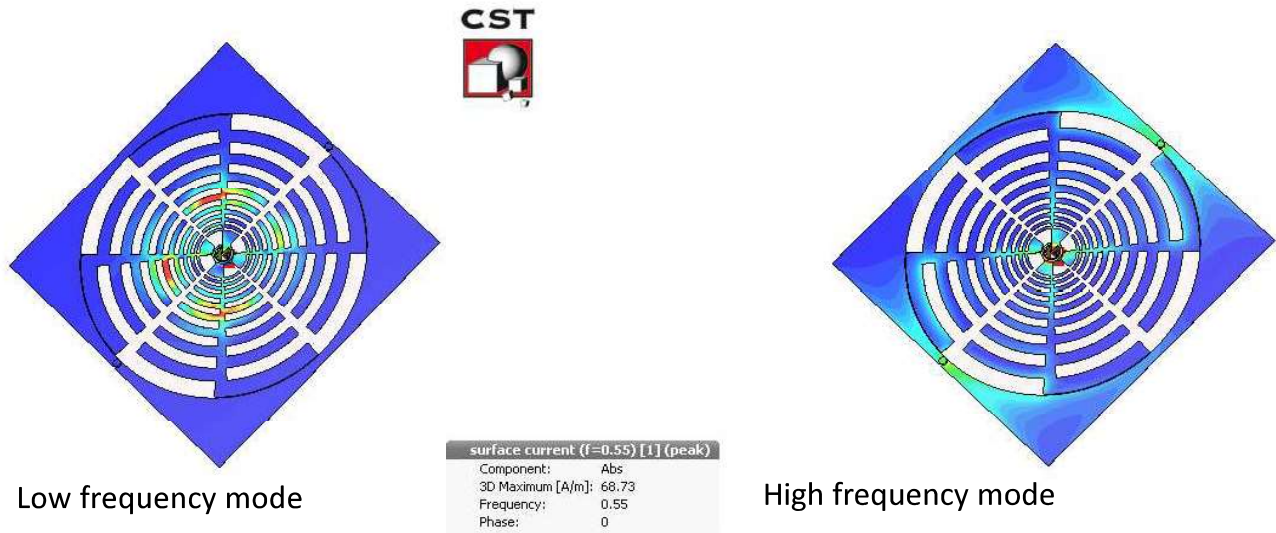


- Current distribution

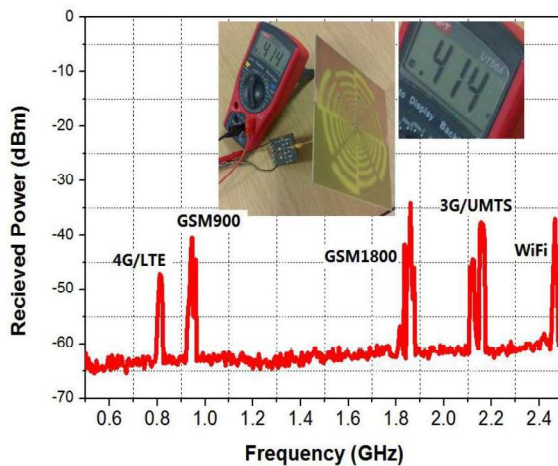




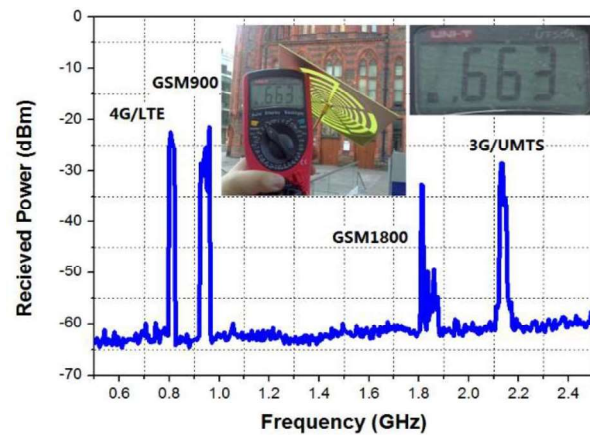
- Current distribution (animated)



- Measured performance

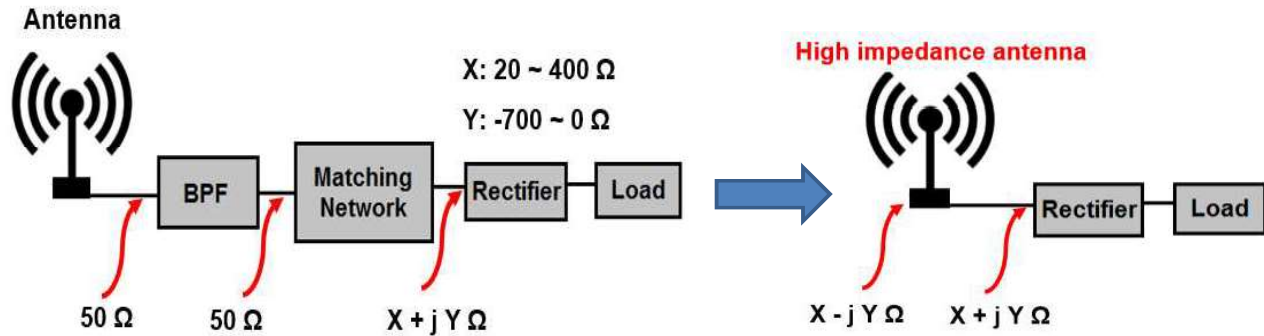


Indoor (8 uW  
harvested power)



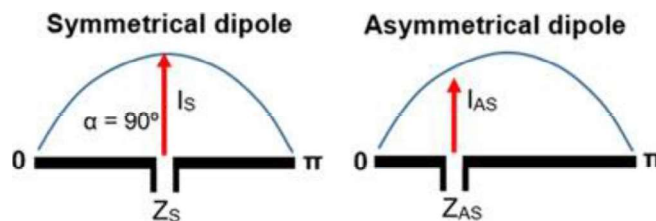
Outdoor (24 uW  
harvested power)

- Typical energy harvester → new configuration



$$P = V/R^2$$

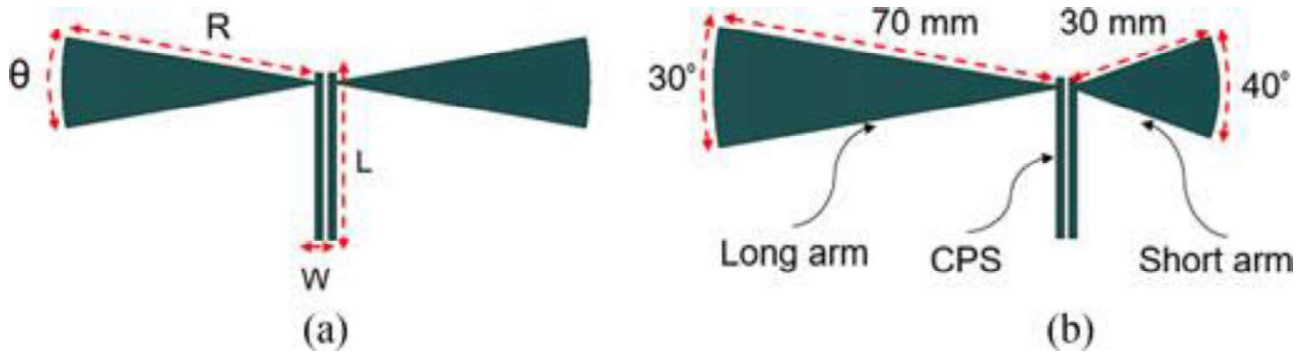
- Input impedance of a typical  $\lambda/2$  dipole ( $\sim 73 \Omega$ )
- Our case:



SIMULATED INPUT IMPEDANCE OF THE OFF-CENTER-FED DIPOLE

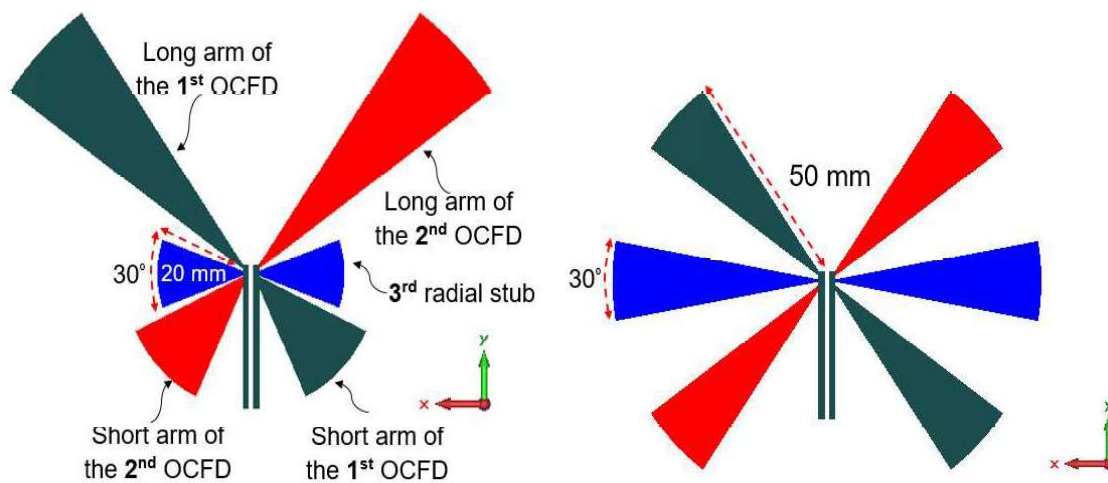
| Long arm (mm) | Short arm (mm) | Real part at $f_0$ ( $\Omega$ ) | Imaginary part at $f_0$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 90            | 10             | 320                             | -213                                 |
| 80            | 20             | 165                             | -30                                  |
| 70            | 30             | 102                             | -0.8                                 |
| 60            | 40             | 79                              | 5.6                                  |
| 50            | 50             | 73                              | 6.4                                  |

## • Asymmetrical feed (design example)

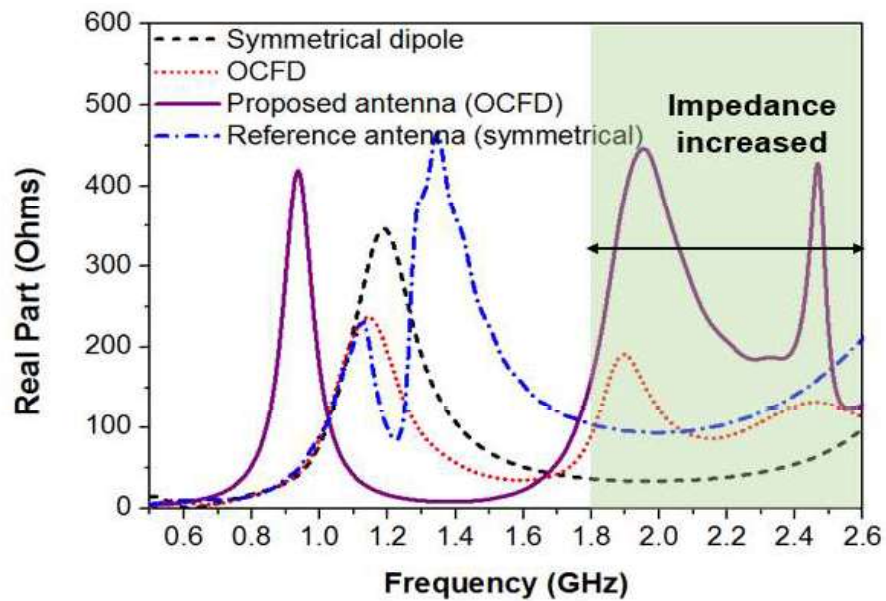


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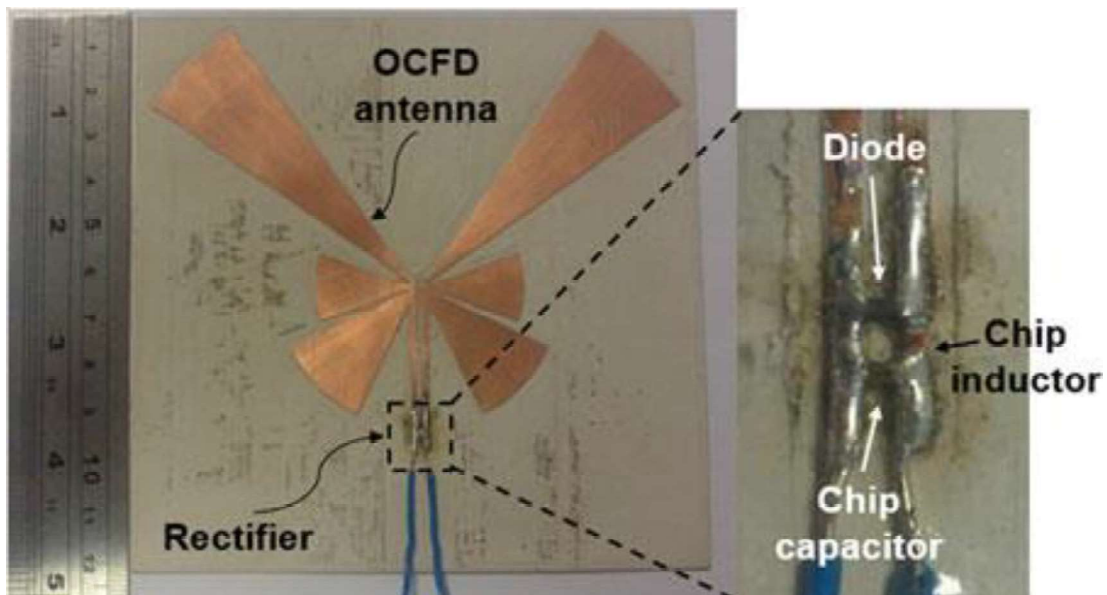
## • Broadband high impedance antenna



- Complex high impedance (non 50  $\Omega$ )



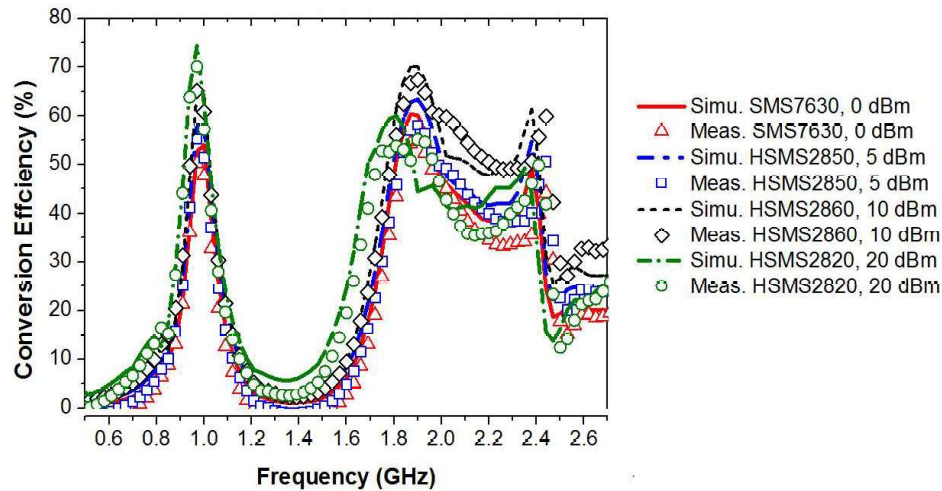
- Fabricated prototype





## • Complete rectenna performance

- Asymmetrical feed
- No matching network!

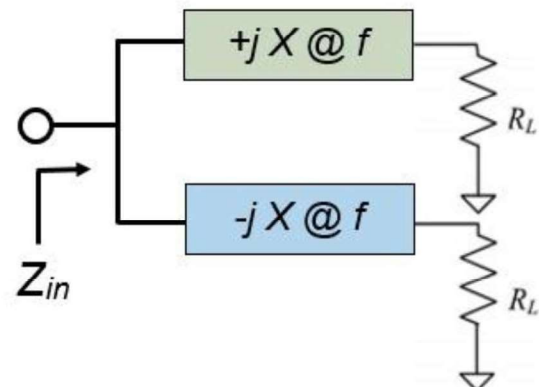


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## • Variable impedance

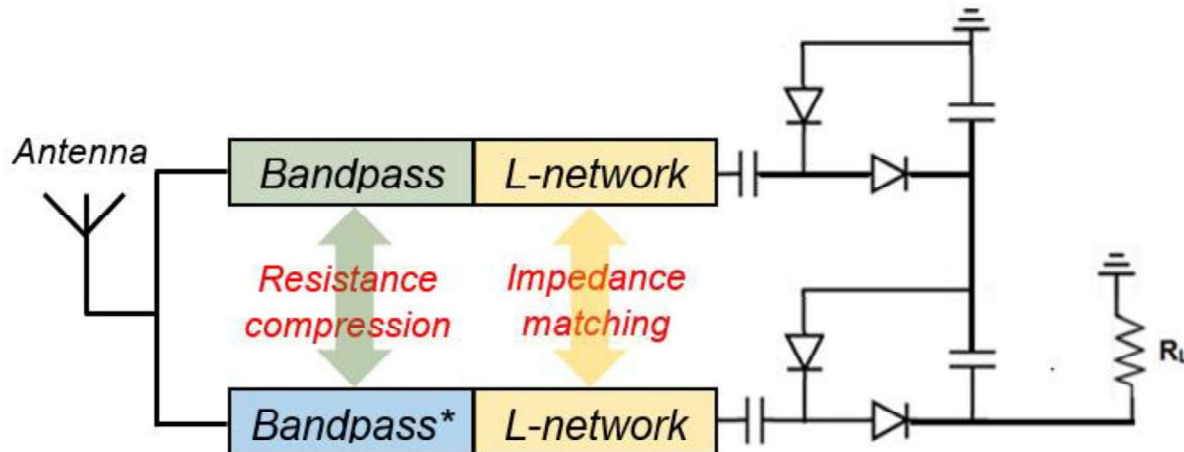
- Resistance Compression Network (RCN)

$$Z_{in} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R + jX} + \frac{1}{R - jX}} = \frac{R^2 + X^2}{2R} = \frac{1}{2} \left( R + \frac{X^2}{R} \right)$$

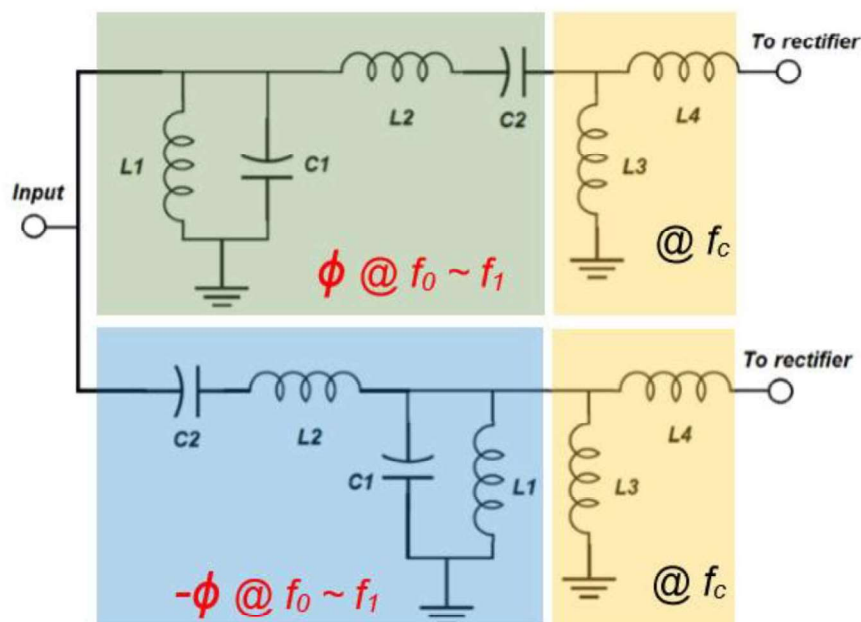




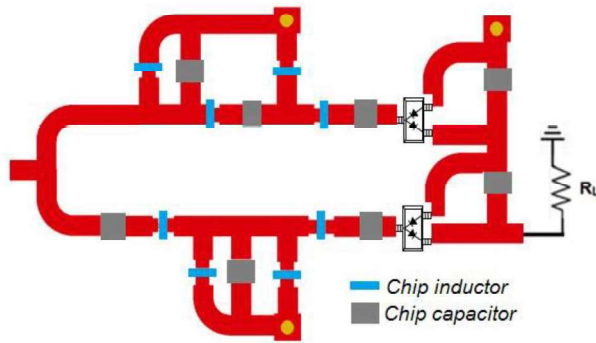
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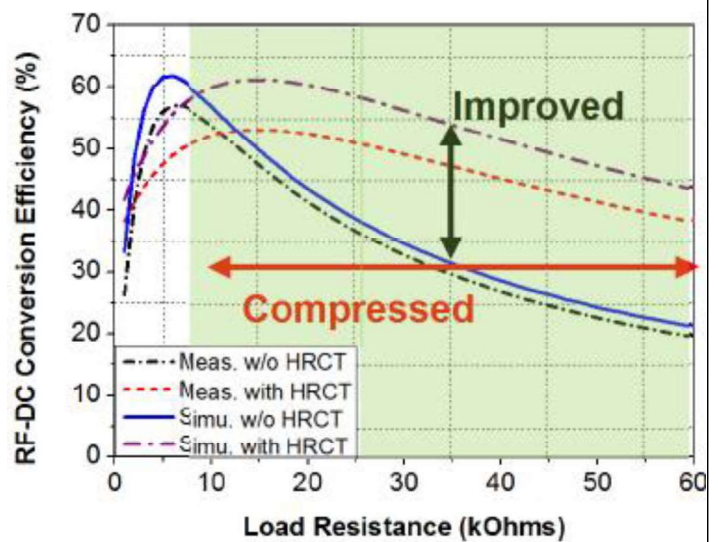
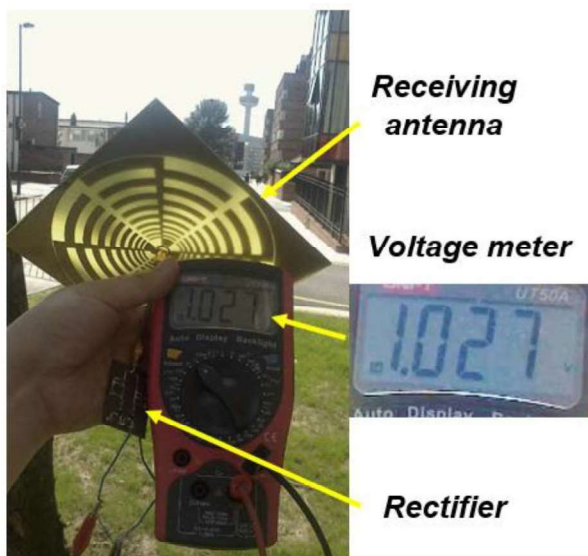


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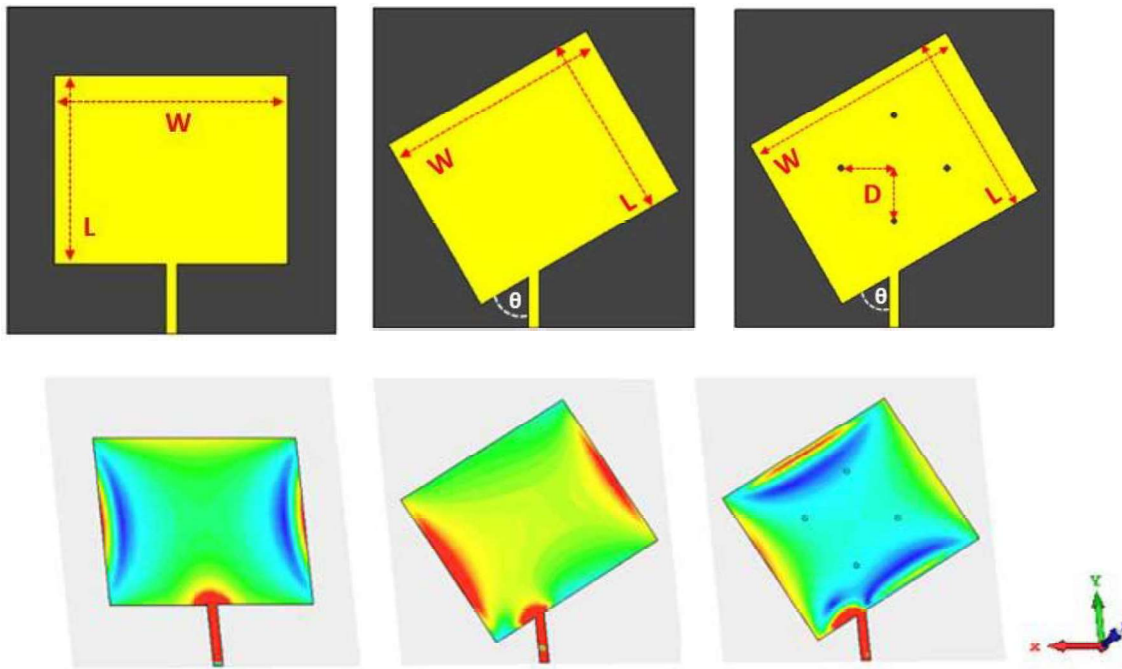
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- Variable Impedance
  - Measured Performance



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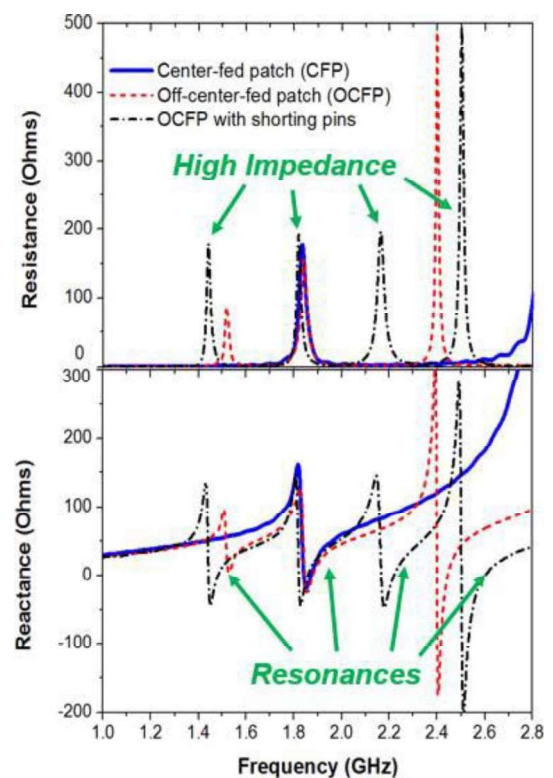
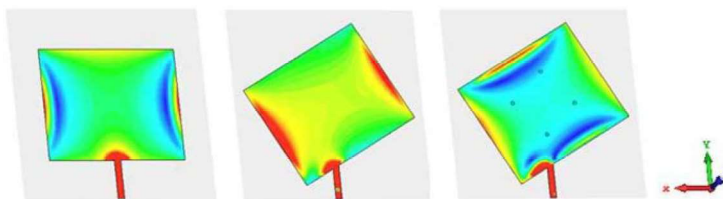
## • Patch Antennas



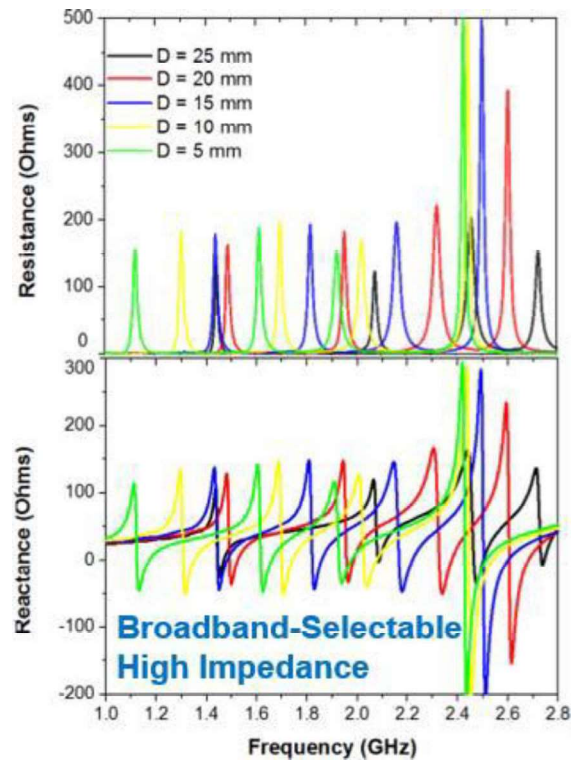
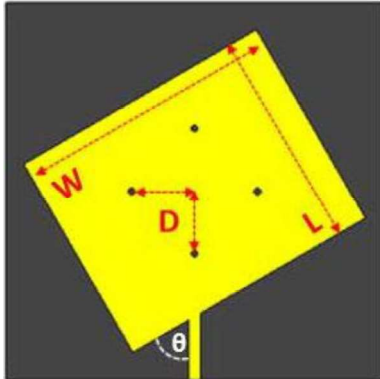
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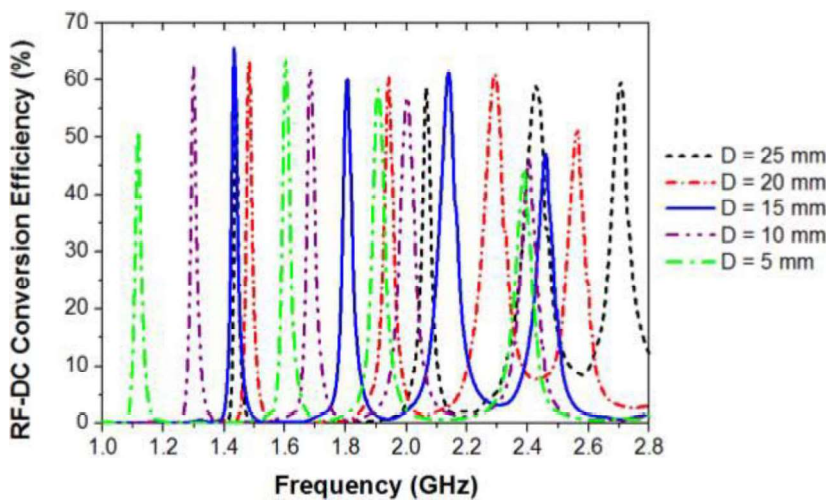
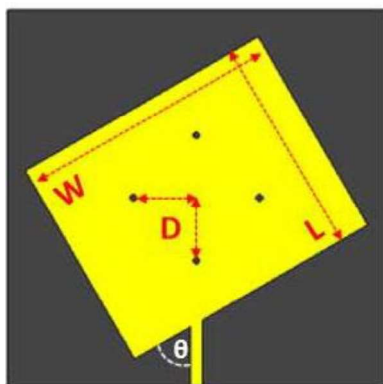
- Center-Fed Patch (CFP)
- Off-Center-Fed Patch (OCFP)
- OCFP with shorting pins



- Selectable frequency
  - A function of  $D$
  - Selectable: 1 to 2.7 GHz



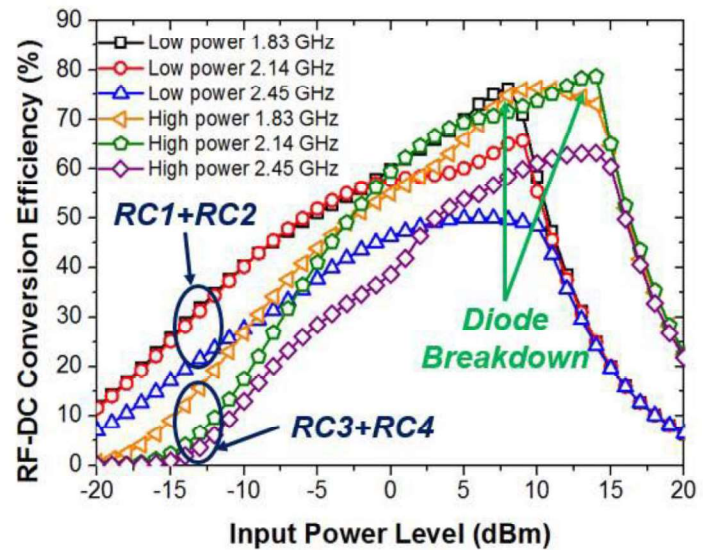
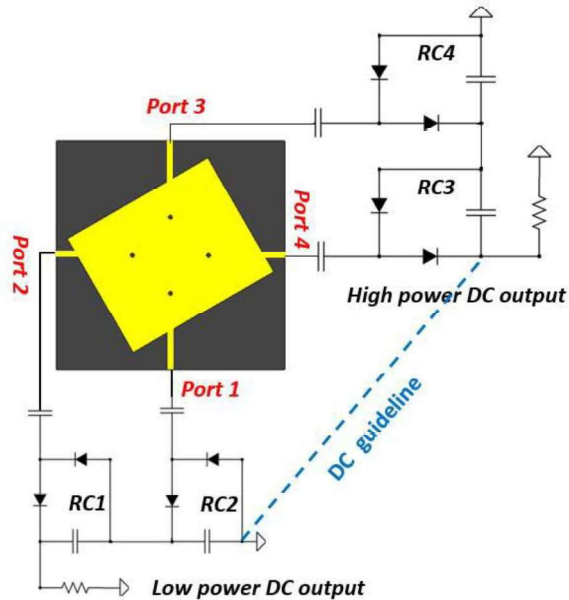
- Rectifier





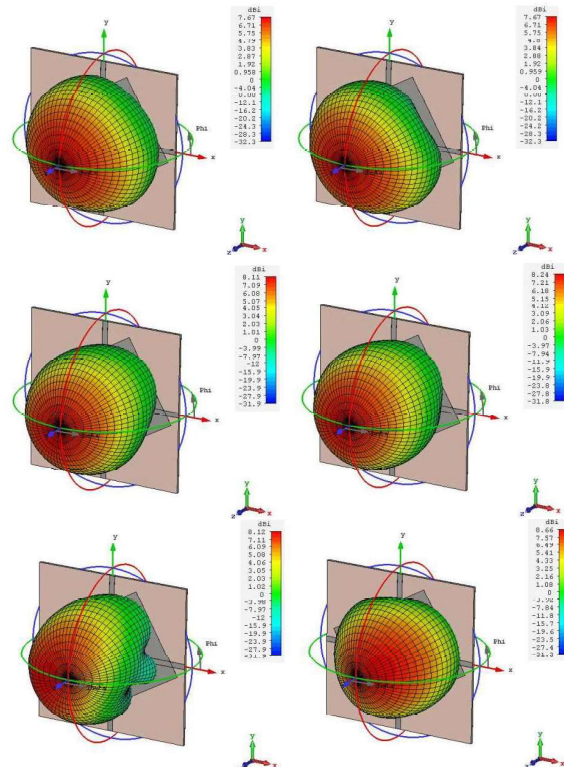
## • Four Rectifiers

- RC1 and RC2 same, orthogonal for polarization independency
- RC3 and RC4 same, for different power level from RC1 and RC2



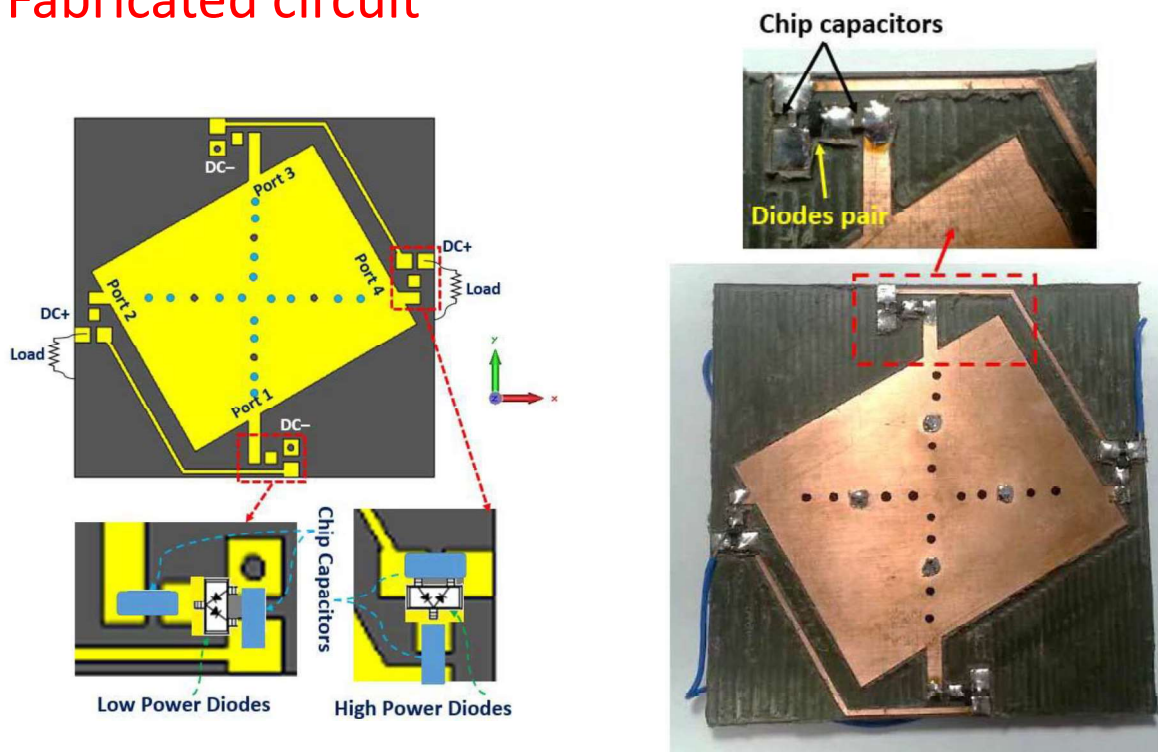
## • Four Rectifiers

- Radiation patterns
  - Left Port 1 and Port 3
  - Right Port 2 and Port 4
  - 1.83, 2.14, and 2.45 GHz

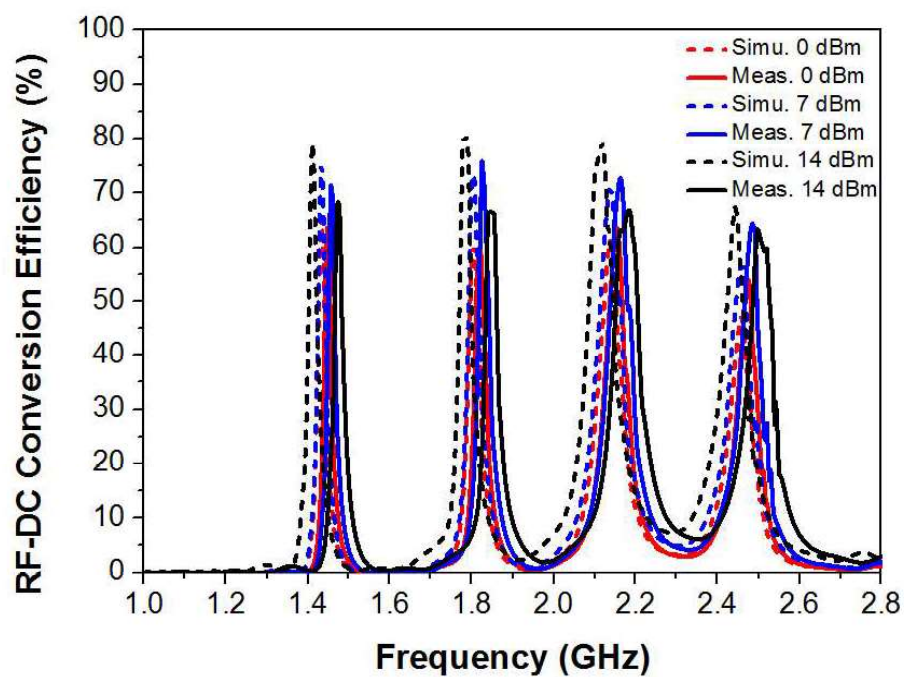




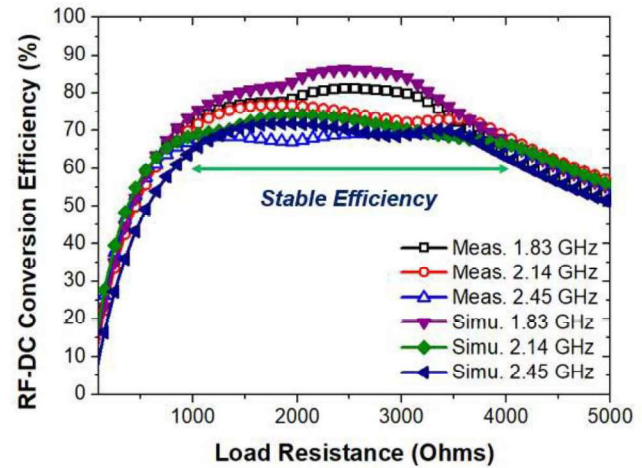
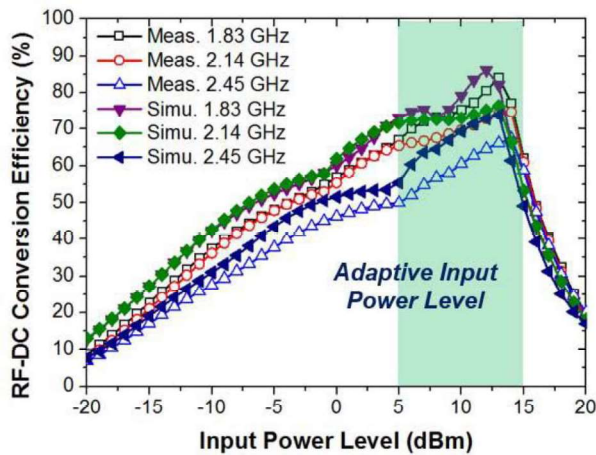
## Fabricated circuit



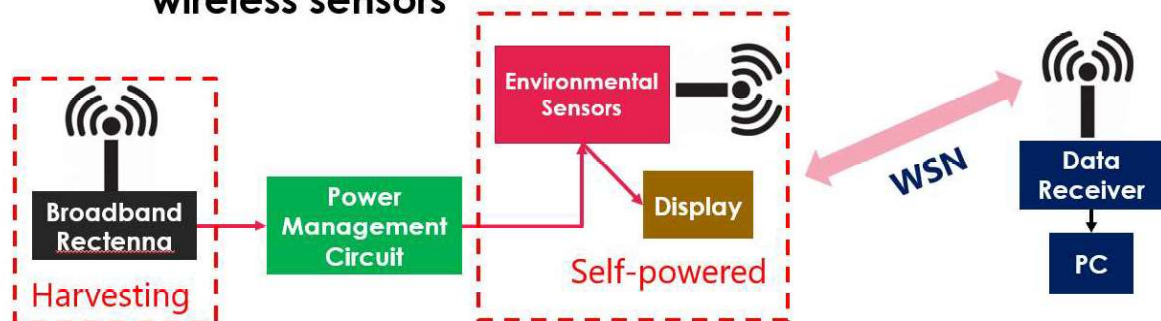
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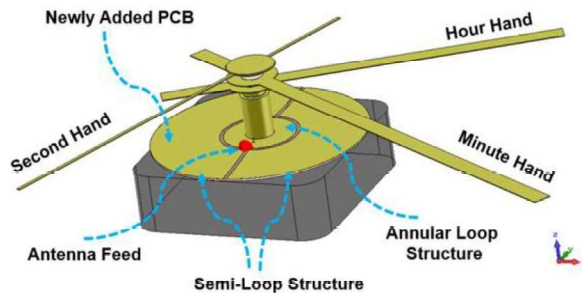


## Energy harvesting enabled wireless sensors

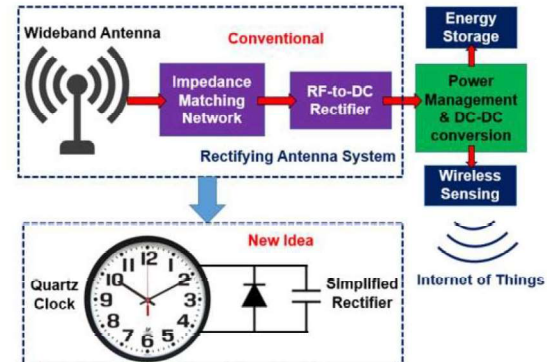


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## Battery-Free Quartz Clock With Wireless Sensing

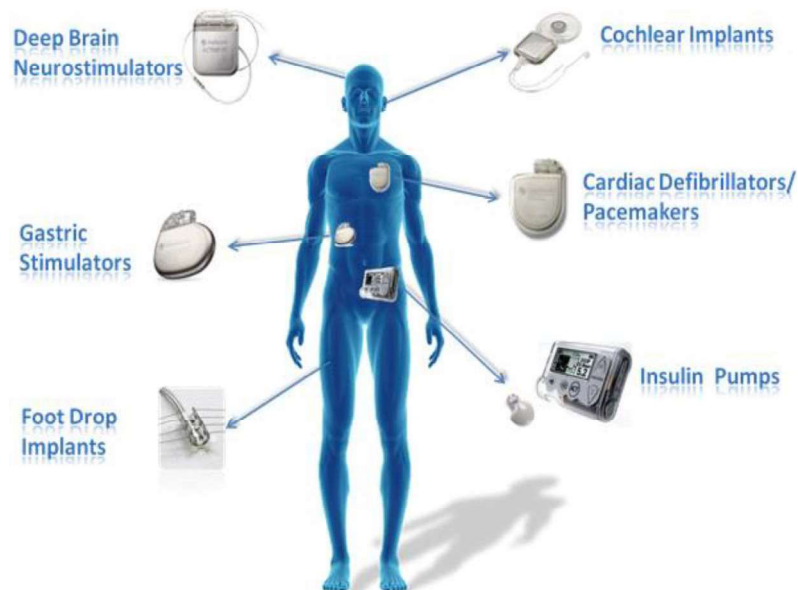


## INNOVATION



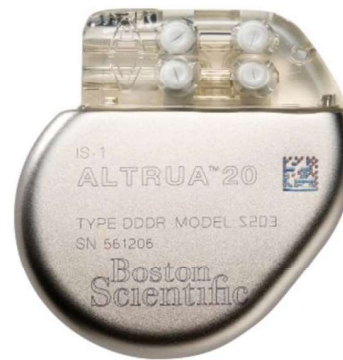
© C. Song et al., "Novel Quartz Clock with Integrated Wireless Energy Harvesting and Sensing Functions" *IEEE Trans. Industrial Electronics*, June 2018.

- Improves patient's life by offering:
  - Regular Monitoring
  - Regular Stimulation or Treatment



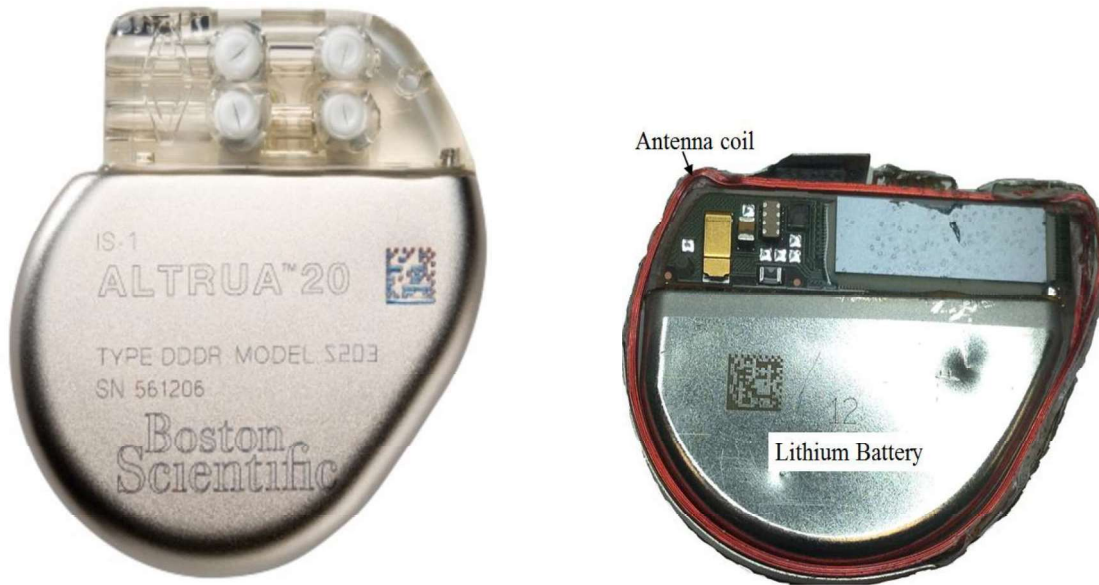


## • Operation of pacemakers



- 600,000 pacemakers implanted every year (40,000 in the UK, 225,000 in the US)
  - **Most successful** implantable devices invented, in terms of lives saved or extended.
- Challenges
  - Power: battery
  - Communication: monitoring

- Pacemakers



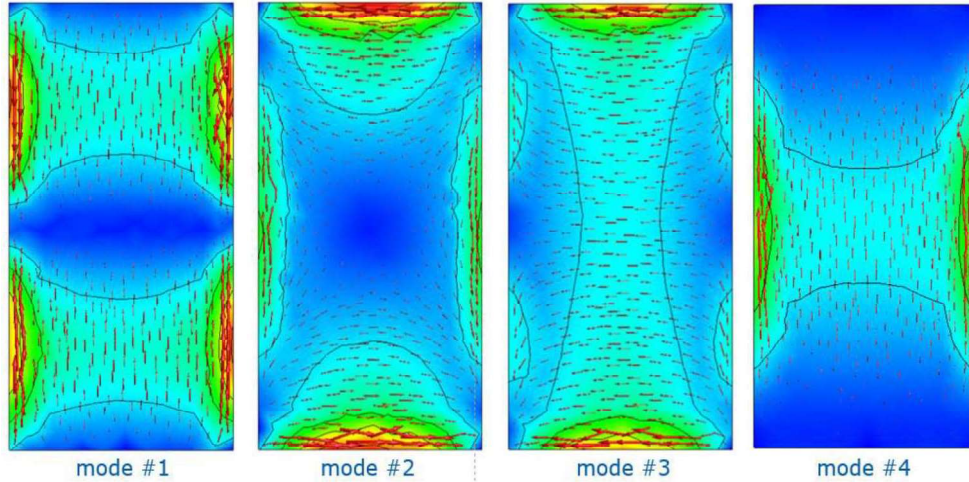
- The Problem
  - Near-field, in-contact, short-range



- The reason?
  - Casing
  - Loss of human tissues

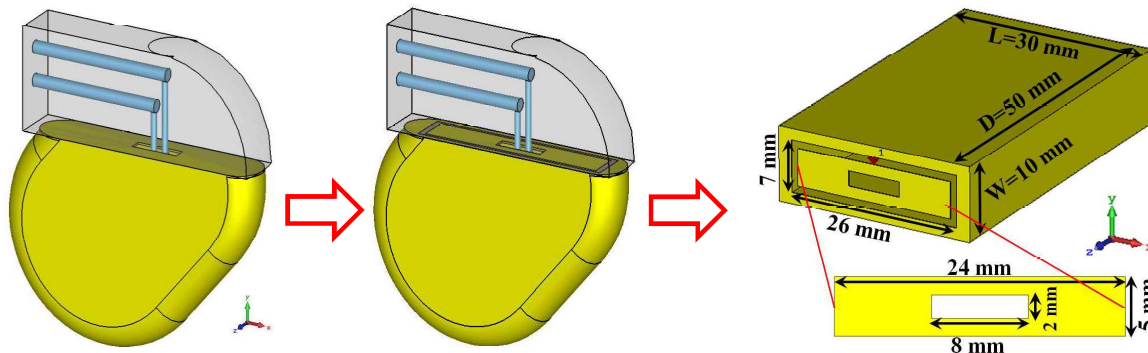


- Characteristic Modes on a 120mm x 60 mm PCB  
([www.feko.info](http://www.feko.info))

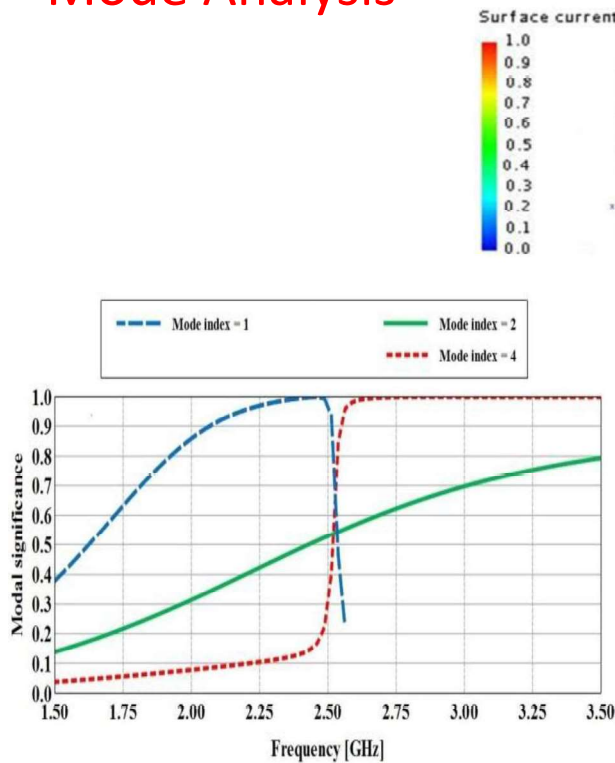


Instantaneous modal currents on the PCB, 2.6 GHz

- Lab adaption



## • Mode Analysis

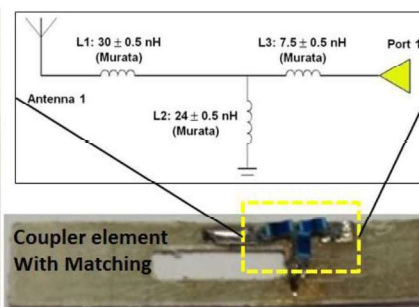
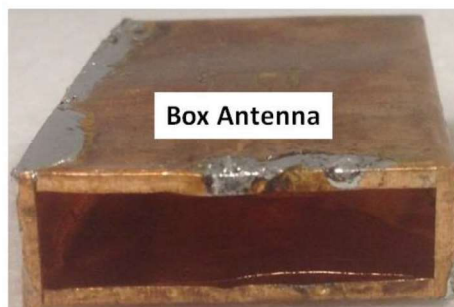
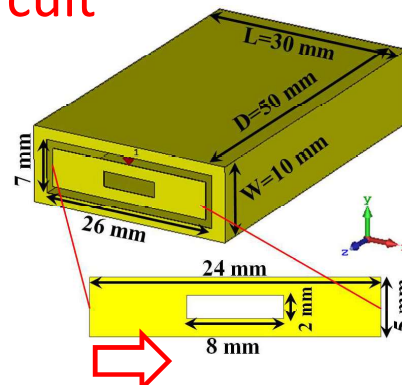


$$J = \sum_n \frac{V_n}{1 + j\lambda_n} J_n$$

$V_n$ : the excitation coefficient

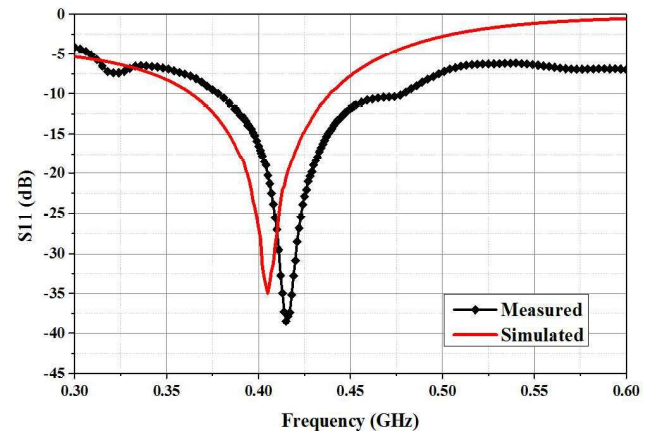
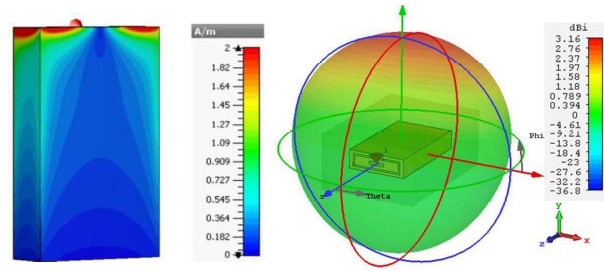
$\left| \frac{1}{1 + j\lambda_n} \right|$ : modal significance

## • Fabricated Circuit

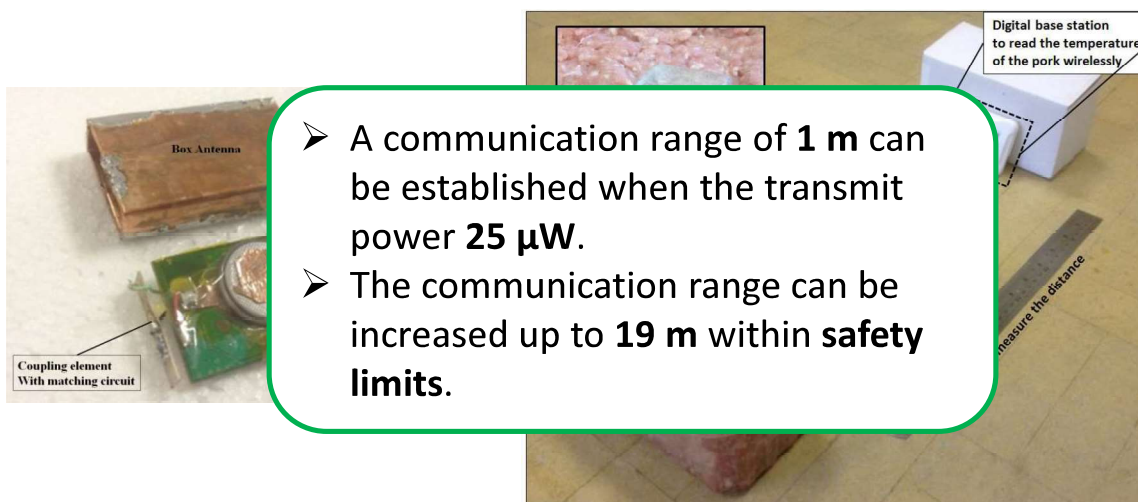


## • Safety Limit

- Exposure Limit
- Specific Absorption Rate



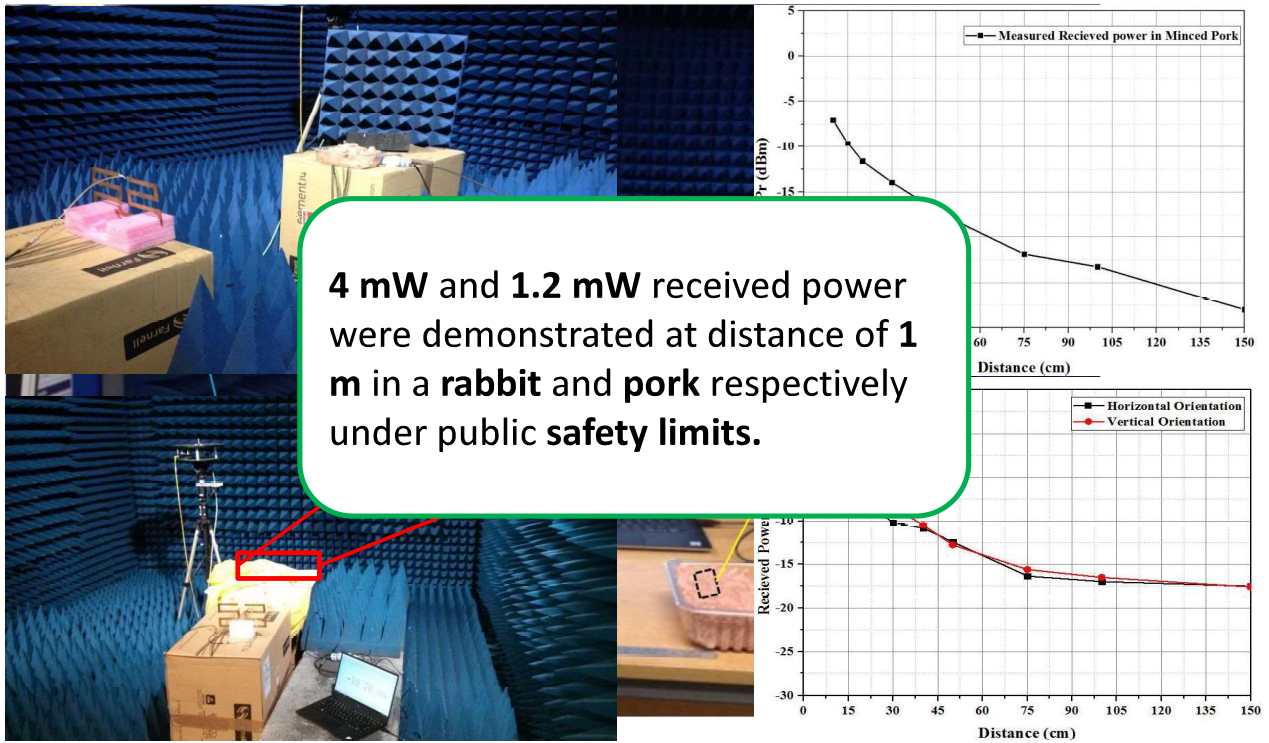
## • Communications of implantable devices:



- A communication range of **1 m** can be established when the transmit power **25  $\mu$ W**.
- The communication range can be increased up to **19 m** within **safety limits**.



## • Wireless charging of implantable devices



## • Implantable devices: monitoring and charging



- **Conclusions: Rectennas for RF Energy Harvesting**
  - Low voltage
  - Low power
  - Impedance variation
  - Implantable devices
  - ...

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# WPW SCHOOL

## Environment aware battery-less IoT Frontend

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This presentation will first sketch the big picture of battery-less IoT frontend needs. Using analytical metrics, we will develop the concept of environment-aware IoT nonlinear circuits and describe a couple of example to demonstrate how those circuits can enhance their operational efficiencies by adapting to their radiofrequency, vibration, temperature, and location conditions.



# Environment-Aware Adaptive Energy Harvesters for IoT Applications

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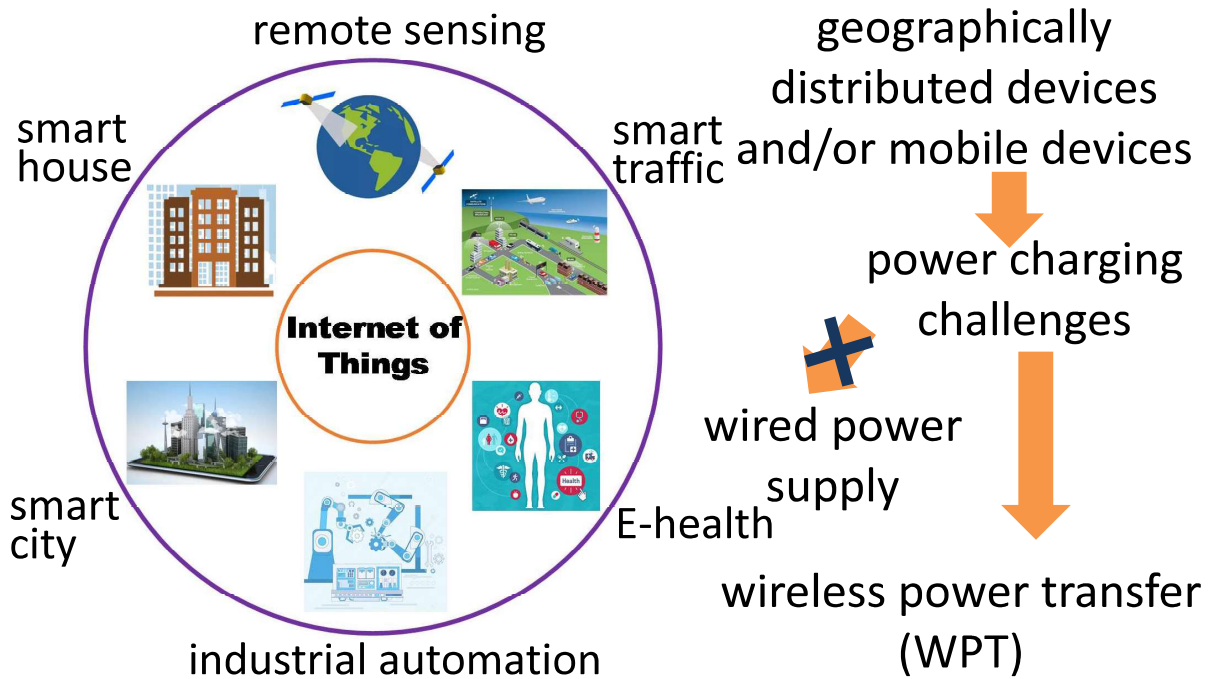
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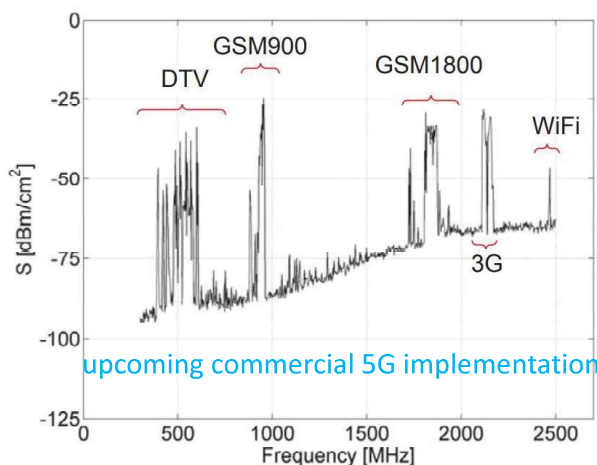
## Outline



- Introduction
- RF energy aware
- Vibration energy aware
- Communication direction aware
- Temperature aware
- Conclusions

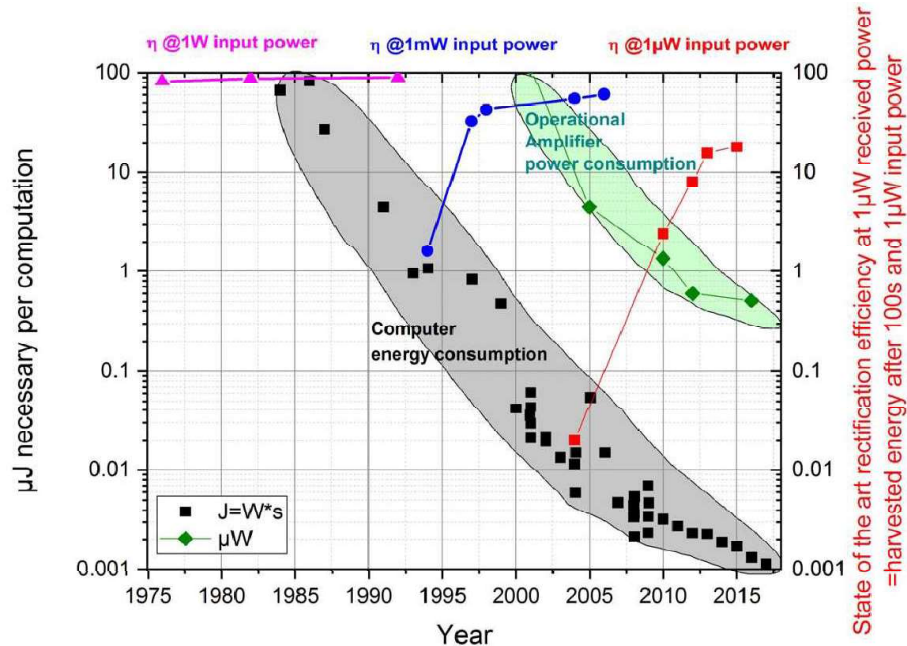


man-made electromagnetic radiation: RF base stations, mobile devices and others.



| Million unit | Devices                                                                                                                  | Year |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 12           | Cell phone base stations deployed: 5.9 million of macro-cells and 6 million of small-cells (lower power, shorter range). | 2012 |
| 4000         | Wi-Fi enabled consumer electronics devices.                                                                              | 2014 |
| 6800         | Subscriber identification module (SIM) cards in use.                                                                     | 2013 |

**recycle** **wasted** RF energy if not used immediately by users



[S. Hemour *et al.*, 2018]

## Carnot Limitation

Efficiency of low-power harvester:

$$\eta = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathfrak{R}_I^2 \cdot P_{in} \cdot R_j = \frac{q \cdot P_{in} \cdot R_j}{4 \cdot n \cdot k_B \cdot T}$$

$\mathfrak{R}_I$ : current responsivity

$P_{in}$ : input power

$R_j$ : diode nonlinear junction resistance

$q$ : electron charge

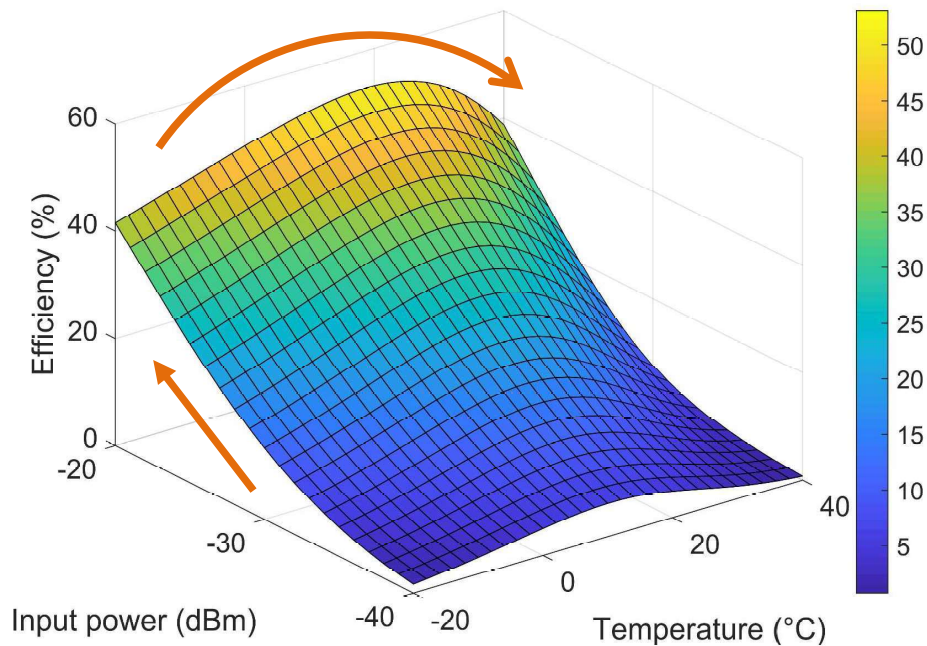
$n$ : diode ideality factor

$k_B$ : Boltzmann constant

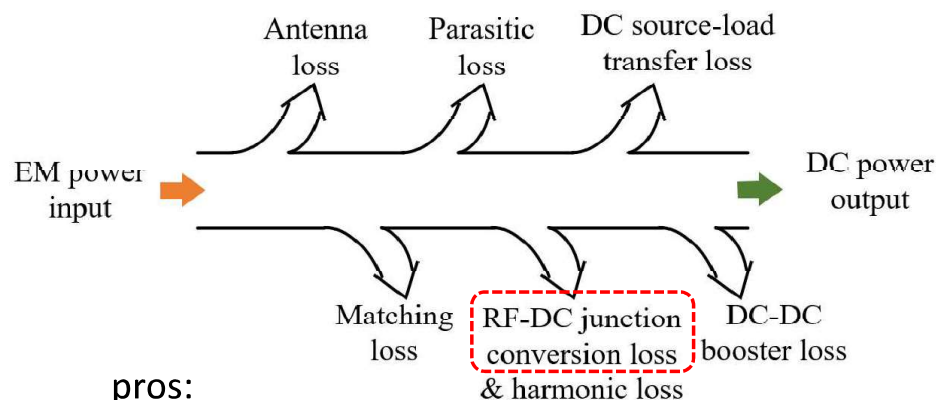
$T$ : operating temperature

- ☐ Increase junction resistance
  - higher Schottky barrier
  - high Q matching circuit (high impedance antenna)
- ☐ Increase the nonlinearity
  - tunnel diode
  - spin diode
  - lower temperature
- ☐ Increase the input power
  - High gain rectenna
  - Temporal energy multiplexing (multisine)
  - Hybrid harvesters

[S. Hemour *et al.*, 2014]



## Loss mechanisms of an RF harvester



pros:

low cost

high reliability

easy fabrication

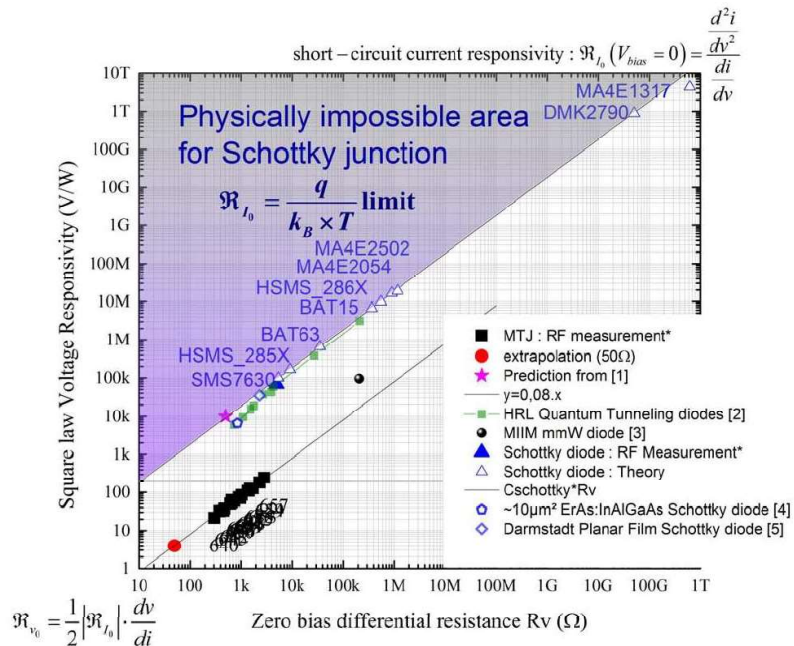
cons:

Schottky diodes

efficiency limitation

[S. Hemour *et al.*, 2018]



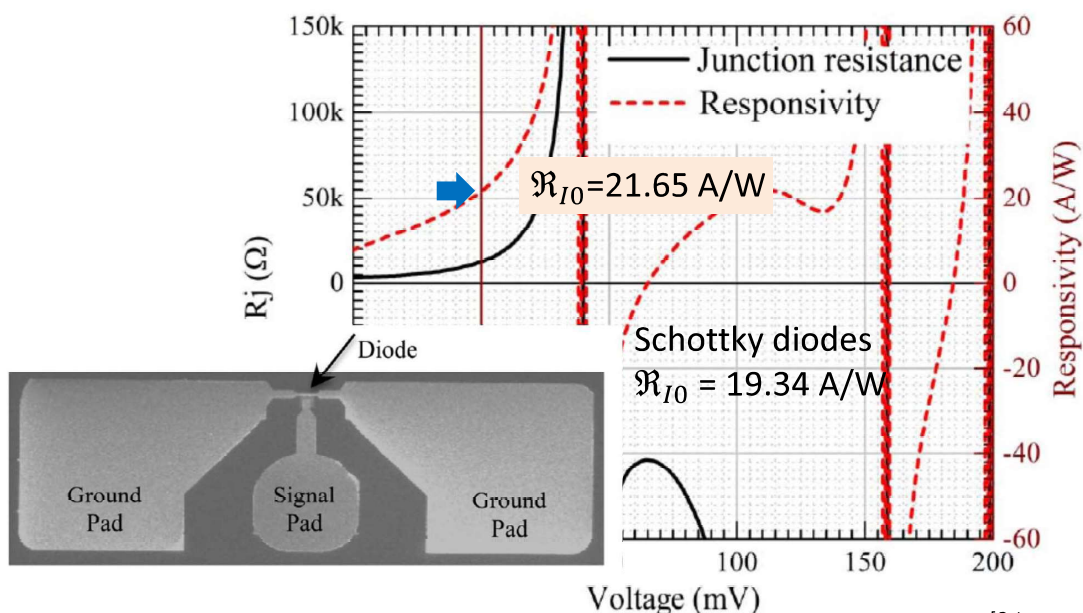


Schottky diodes  
 $\mathfrak{R}_{I_0} = 19.34 \text{ A/W}$   
 (Max. at room temp.)

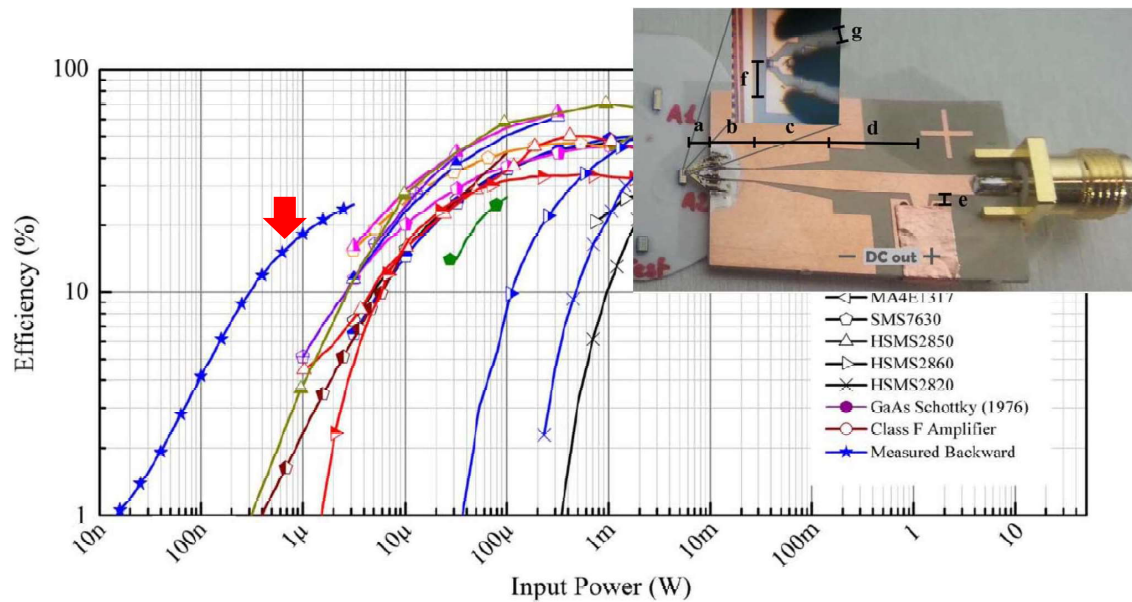
MIM diodes  
 spin diodes  
 tunnel diodes

\*Corrected data from measurement @ 2MHz, -15dBm

[S. Hemour *et al.*, 2018]



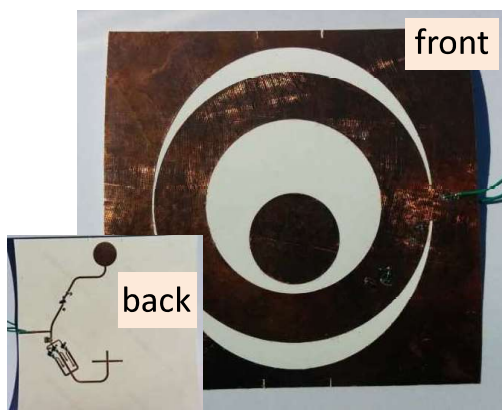
[C. Lorenz *et al.*, 2015]



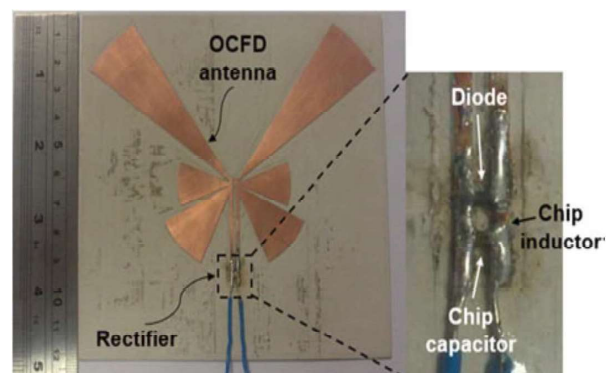
[C. Lorenz *et al.*, 2015]

multiband rectenna  
operating in all LTE bands  
0.79-0.96, 1.71-2.17, 2.5-2.69 GHz

high impedance antenna  
conjugate matching to diode  
no matching network

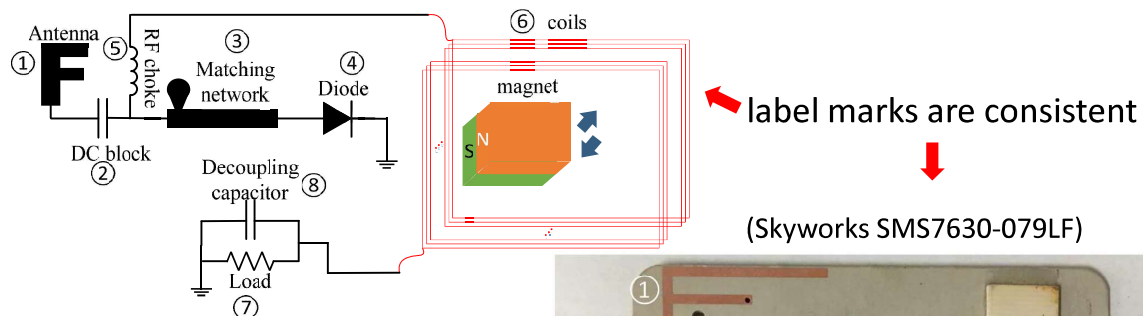
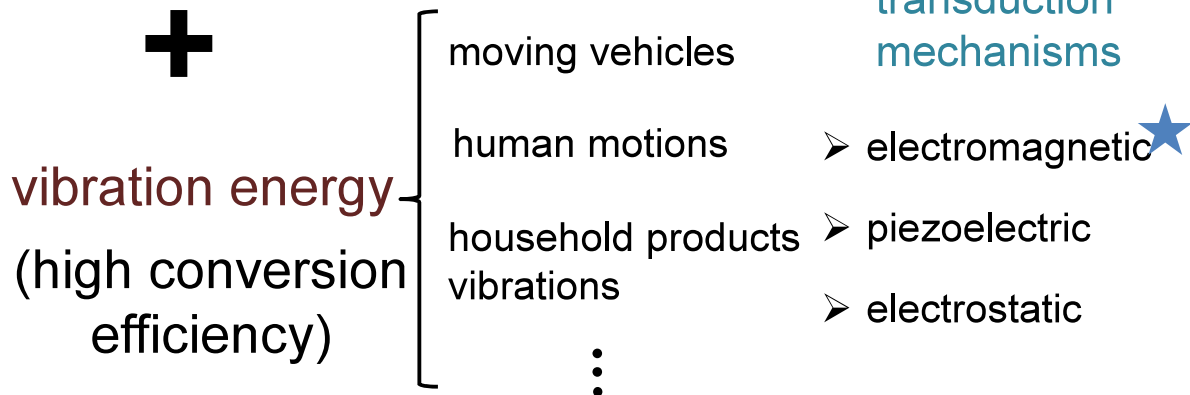


[V. Palazzi *et al.*, 2018]



[C. Song *et al.*, 2017]

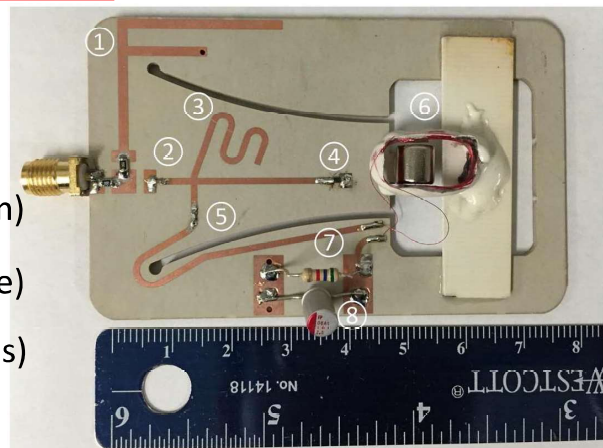
## far-field ambient RF power WPT

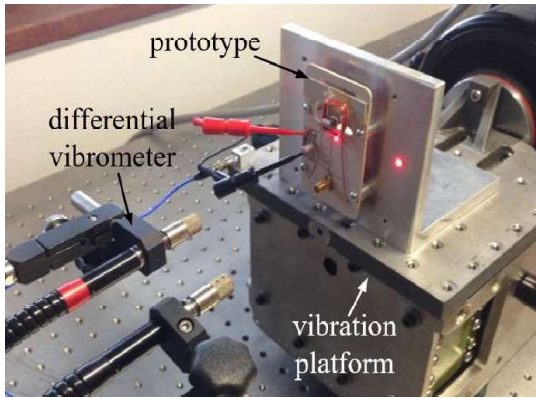


### Strong Resilience

two harvesting modes (RF & vibration)  
operating separately (only one source)  
operating cooperatively (both sources)

[X. Gu et al., 2018]



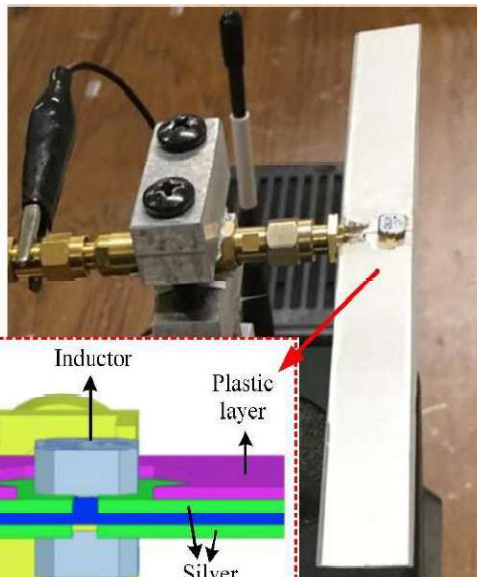
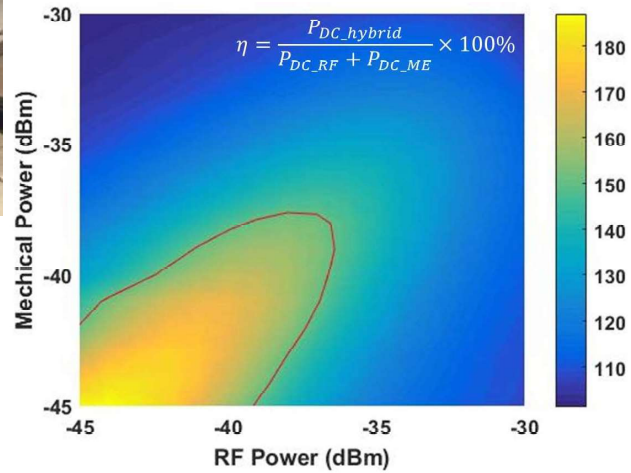


measurement setup

[X. Gu *et al.*, 2018]

red line

efficiency gain of 150%



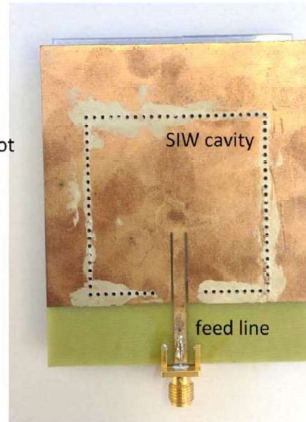
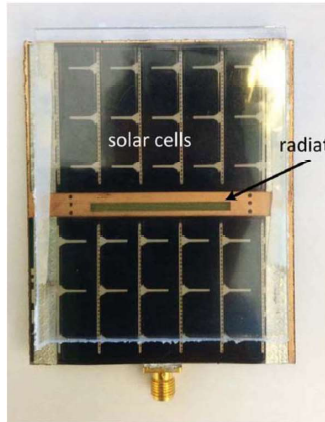
silver electrodes:  
antenna working at 915 MHz

PVDF piezoelectric thin  
film sandwiched between  
electrodes:  
kinetic energy scavenger  
working at 15 Hz

[S. Nguyen *et al.*, 2018]

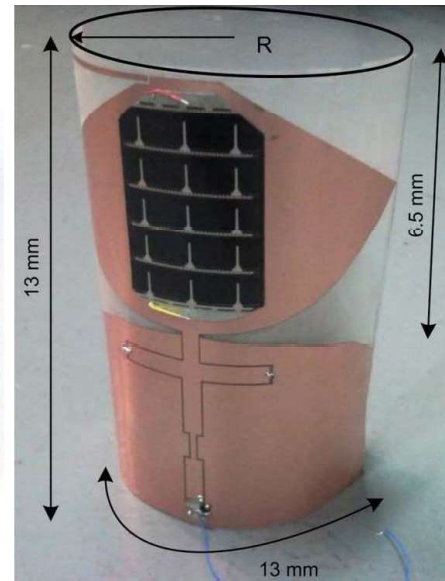


## RF + solar energy



SIW solar cavity-backed slot antenna

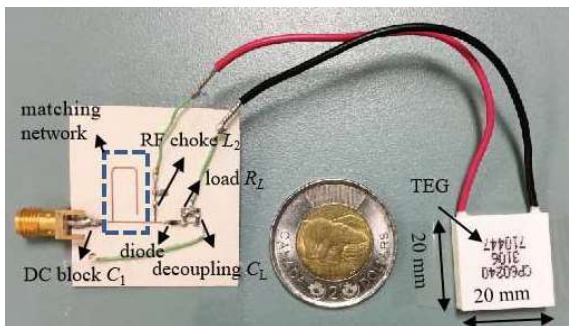
[K. Niotaki *et al.*, 2014]



broadband solar printed monopole antenna

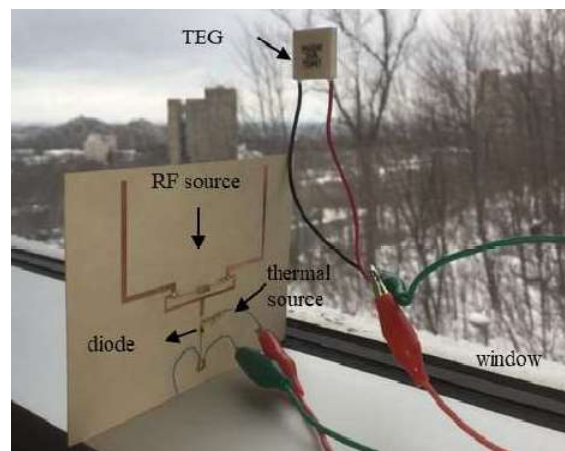
## RF + thermal energy

## potential application scenario

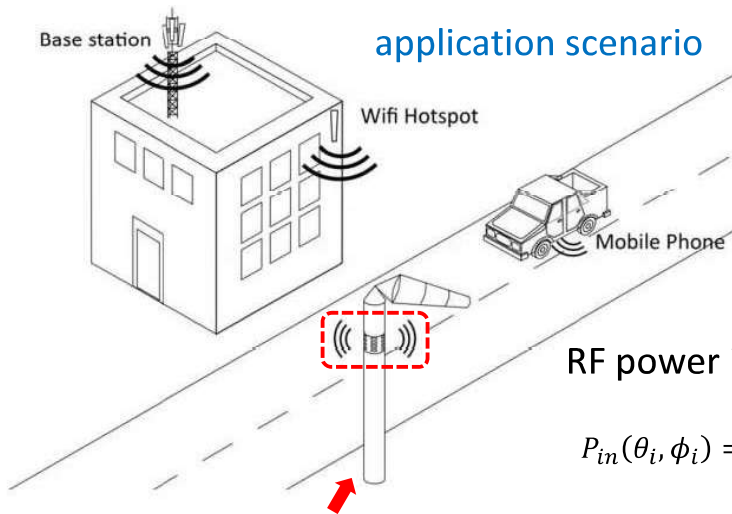


TEG converts thermal energy into dc

[L. Guo *et al.*, 2019]







rectenna positioned  
on a windsock pole

application scenario

RF power comes from:

- base station
- Wi-Fi hotspot
- mobile phone

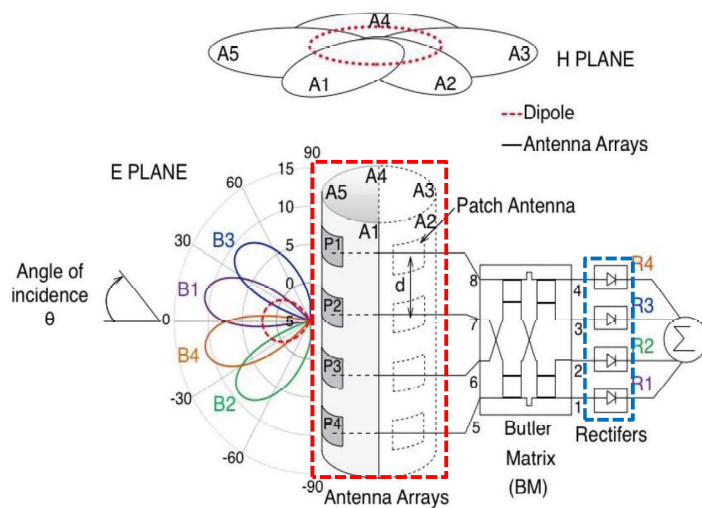
RF power injecting into the rectifier:

$$P_{in}(\theta_i, \phi_i) = S(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cdot D(\theta_i, \phi_i) \cdot \eta_{rad} \cdot \frac{\lambda_o^2}{4\pi}$$

$S(\theta_i, \phi_i)$ : power density at the angle of the RF signal

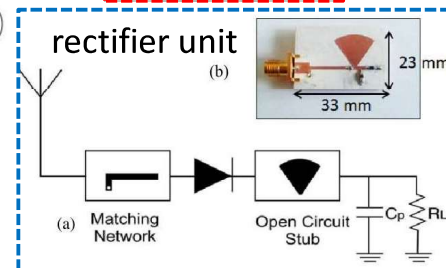
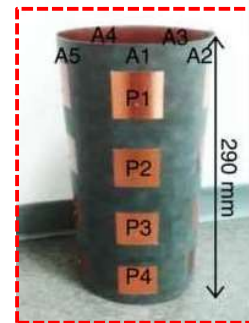
$D(\theta_i, \phi_i)$ : directivity of the antenna at the angle  $(\theta_i, \phi_i)$

[E. Vandelle et al., 2019]



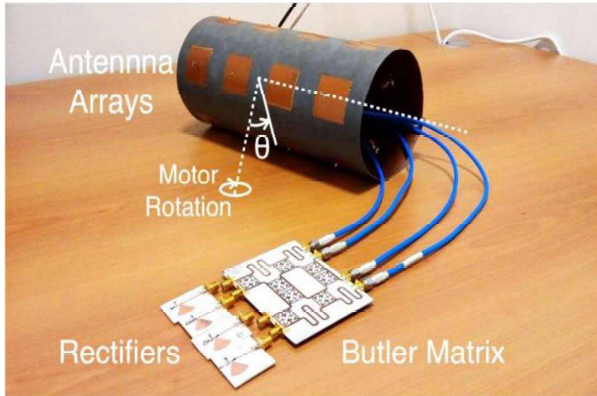
scheme of the multi-directional  
RF energy harvester

cylindrical antenna array

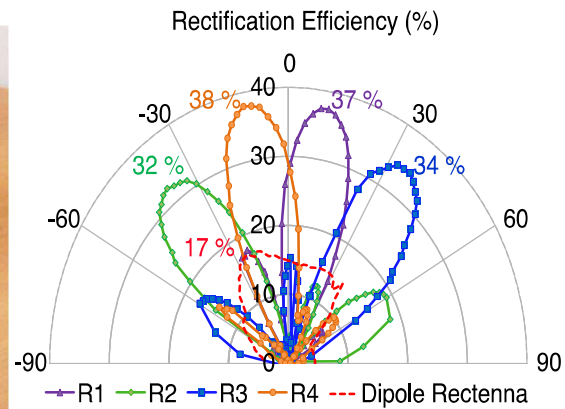


[E. Vandelle et al., 2019]

experimental prototype of high gain  
rectenna with optimal angular coverage



RF input power density  
 $S = 0.45 \mu W \cdot cm^{-2}$

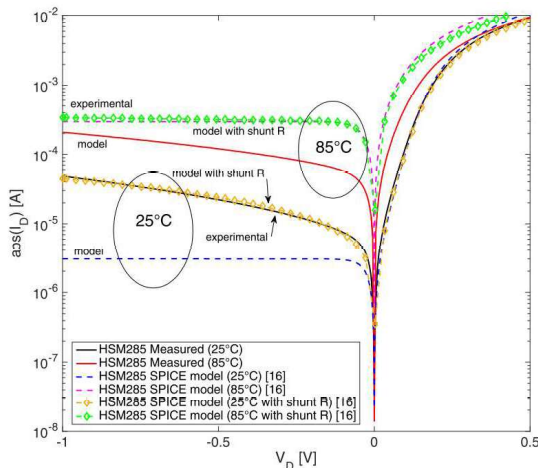


versus dipole rectenna

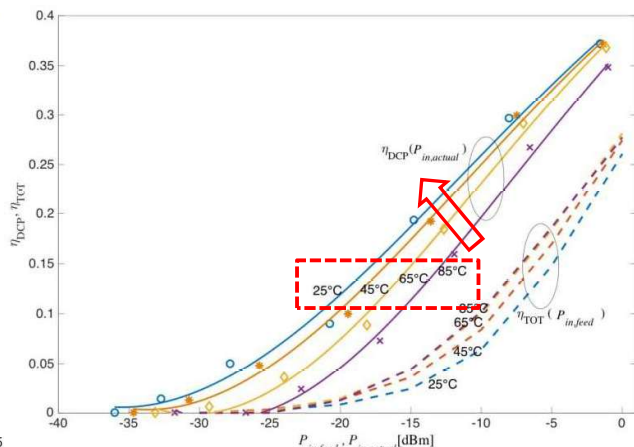
- higher efficiency
- larger coverage

[E. Vandelle *et al.*, 2019]

I-V relationship of diode HSM285x



Rectifying efficiency



temperature decreases from 85°C to 25 °C, efficiency increases

[F. Della Corte *et al.*, 2018]

Efficiencies related to the Schottky diode:

- RF – dc conversion efficiency:

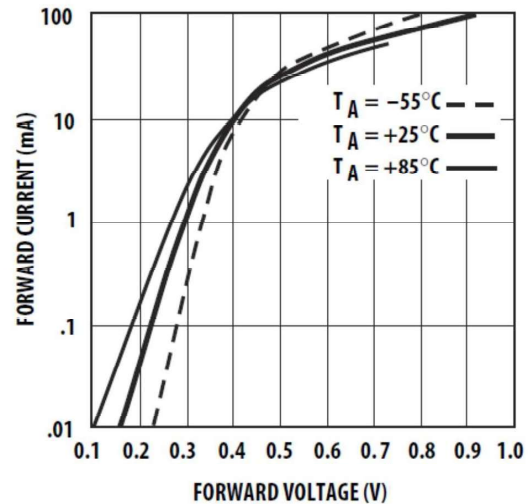
$$\eta_{RF-dc} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \Re_I^2 \cdot P_{in} \cdot R_j$$

- Parasitic efficiency:

$$\eta_p = \left( \frac{1}{1 + (\omega \cdot C_j)^2 \cdot R_s \cdot R_j} \right)^2$$

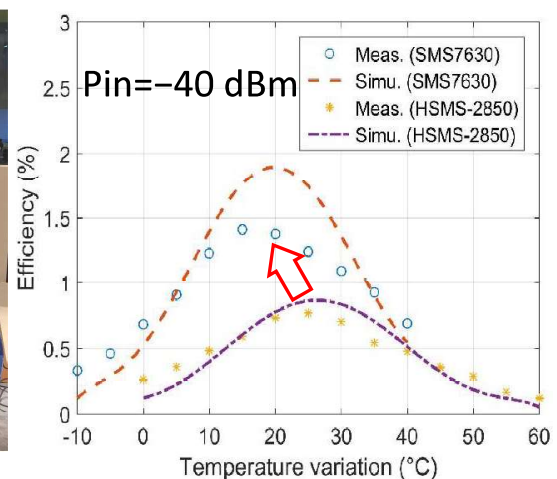
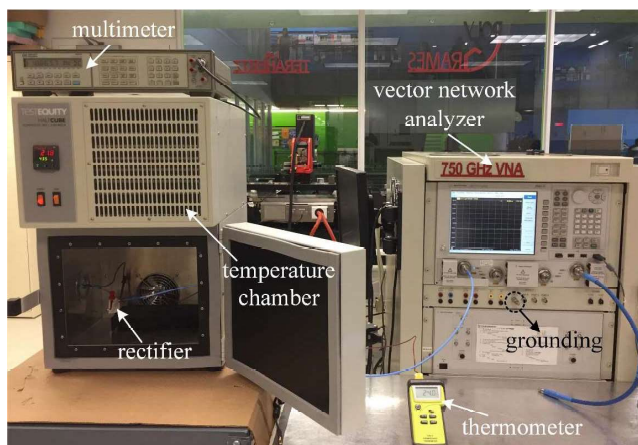
Optimum temperature?

I-V curve at different temperatures  
(HSMS-286x series)



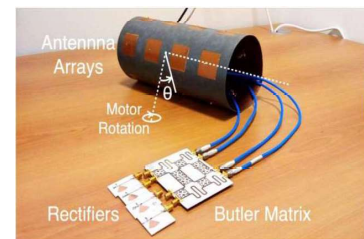
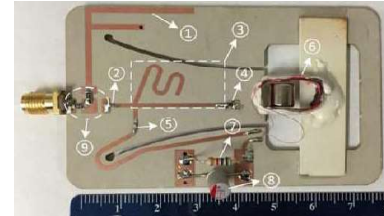
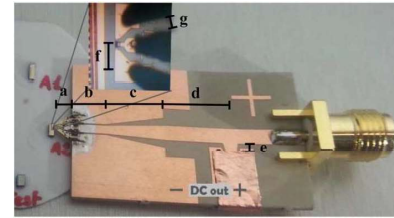
measurement setup

efficiency vs. temp. (−10 to +60 °C)



Improvements in low-power RF energy harvesting are still possible!

- ❖ Use new diode technologies; (tunnel diode)
- ❖ Considering/harnessing other energy sources; (vibration, thermal, solar etc.)
- ❖ Maximizing the angle coverage of rectennas;
- ❖ Optimizing rectifiers according to the operating temperature.



## Thanks for your attention!



# Battery-less UWB indoor location is the way forward for industry 4.0

Bruno Franciscatto  
UWINLOC

Industry 4.0 refers to a new phase in the Industrial Revolution that focuses heavily on interconnectivity, automation, machine learning, and real-time data. Industry 4.0, also sometimes referred to as IIoT or smart manufacturing, marries physical production and operations with smart digital technology, machine learning, and big data to create a more holistic and better connected ecosystem for companies that focus on manufacturing and supply chain management. One of the critical building blocks of this ecosystem is reliable, accurate indoor location : in order to automate, you have to know where everything is, in most cases with sub-meter precision. In a reliable way, at ultra-low cost. Which means a communication system suited for an industrial environment. This is a tall order, and while there are a large number of technologies available, none of them fits the bill completely. Either the cost is low, but there is no location other than checking fixed points. Or the communication channel is not resilient enough for industrial, noisy environments. Or there is a battery involved, driving up the cost and complicating the management of the tracking devices. UWINLOC is the only company marrying the Ultra-Wide Band accurate industrial-grade communication system with energy harvesting for battery-less operation. This leads to low-cost, battery-less tags with a long reach, even in noisy environments, with the required precision.





# Battery-less UWB indoor location is the way forward for industry 4.0.

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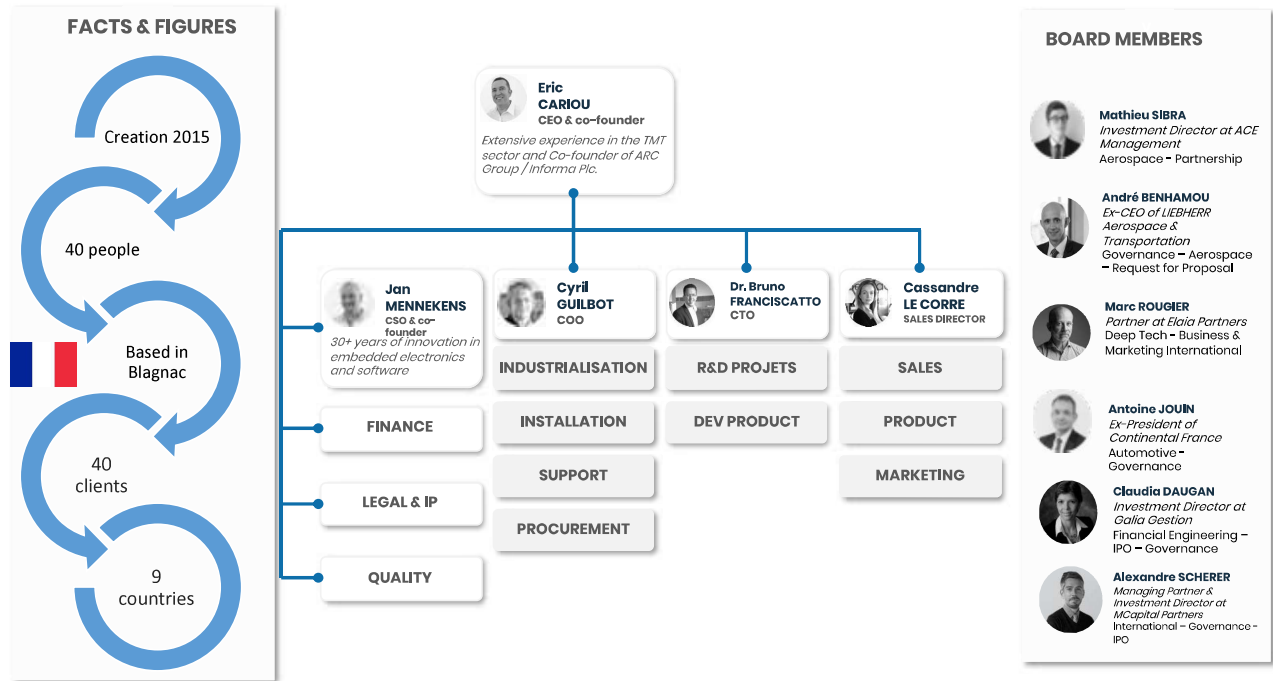


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## 1. Company Introduction

### UWINLOC presentation



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## 1. Company Introduction

### What problem are we trying to solve?

Impossibility of localising assets in quasi-real-time in the manufacturing process is detrimental to performance and productivity

- DELAYS IN PRODUCTION
  - > Inefficient picking operations
  - > Manual WIP tracking
- EXPENSIVE INVENTORY
  - > Low visibility Goods in / Goods out
  - > Time consuming inventory operations
- INEFFICIENT MAINTENANCE
  - > Searching for lost asset
  - > Quality/reliability

 \$ 8 Bn p.a.  
worth of tools lost or stolen

 \$ 38 Bn p.a.  
worth of logistics parcels lost

 \$ 14 Bn in 2018

Global asset tracking market <sup>(1)</sup>

15% CAGR → \$ 32 Bn in 2024

(1) Global Asset Tracking Market 2018-2023, Research and Markets, May 2018

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## 1. Company Introduction

### UWINLOC's market position

#### BATTERY-LESS SOLUTIONS

Good for identification but not applicable to most real time asset tracking (location) use cases



Annual volume sold:

20 billion passive RFID tags  
2000 billion bar codes printed



#### BATTERY-POWERED SOLUTIONS

Economically limited to some niche & low volumes asset tracking use cases



Annual volume sold:

only 30 million battery-based UWB, RFID, BLE & WiFi tags

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## 1. Company Introduction

### Unique combination of UWB and Battery-less

|                                            | Power Source                                                                                               | Location Accuracy                                                                                   | Battery Lifetime                                                                                      | Tag & Maintenance Costs                                                                             |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>UWINLOC UWB</b>                         | <br>Energy harvesting   | <b>30 cm</b>                                                                                        |                  |                |
| <b>Competing location technologies (*)</b> | <br>UWB Battery-Powered | <br><b>30 cm</b> | <br><b>30 cm</b> | <br><b>€€€</b> |
|                                            | <br>BLE                 | <br><b>8 m</b>   | <br><b>8 m</b>   | <br><b>€€</b>  |
|                                            | <br>LoRa                | <br><b>10 m</b>  | <br><b>10 m</b>  | <br><b>€€</b>  |
|                                            | <br>WiFi                | <br><b>15 m</b>  | <br><b>15 m</b>  | <br><b>€€€</b> |

Note (\*): RFID solutions excluded from the competitive landscape – not relevant for asset location use cases

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## 2. Technology overview

### UWINLOC's solution



Battery-less tag  
Up to 30cm accuracy

**EASY TO PLACE**

RF Long Range  
30-40m (UWB) & 10-15m (RFPT)

**EASY TO INSTALL**

Visualization in 2D & 3D  
API available

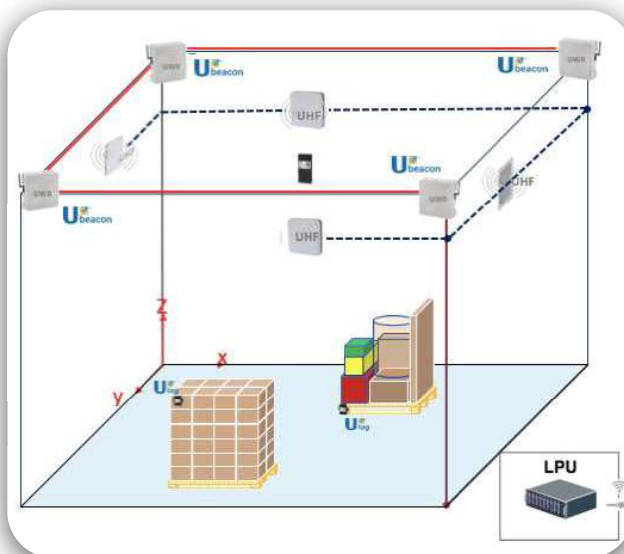
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## 2. Technology overview

### UWINLOC's Reference cell - deployment



**BATTERY-LESS  
TAG**

**BEACON**

**LOCATION  
PROCESSING  
UNIT  
(LPU)**

**UHF EXCITER**

**REFERENCE  
TAG**

**STATE-OF-THE-ART SOLUTION BASED ON  
RADIO-FREQUENCY ENERGY HARVESTING AND UWB**

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### 3. UWINLOC's Technology Breakthroughs

#### UWINLOC Tag – Power budget analysis



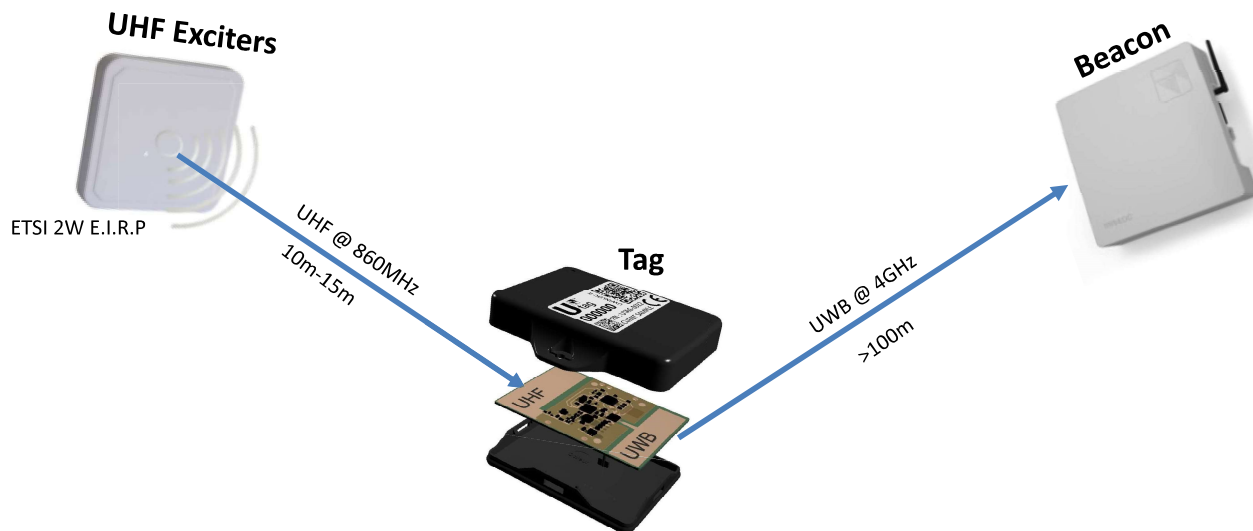
| Technology            | Active current (mA) | Pulse Duration (ms) | Sleep Current (uA) | Interval (min) | Electric charge Average (uAh) | factor |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| BLE                   | 8.25                | 2.7                 | 1                  | 5              | 3867                          | 1      |
| Current UWL's version | 20                  | 1.5                 | 0                  | 5              | 360                           | 11     |
| Next UWL's version    | 11                  | 0.3                 | 0                  | 5              | 39                            | 98     |

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### 3. UWINLOC's Technology Breakthroughs

#### UWINLOC Tag – RF Link budget



- Completely battery-less Tag
- RF harvester: minimum RF input power -18dBm
- Minimum necessary Energy for UWB signal transmission: 11uJ

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### 3. UWINLOC's Technology Breakthroughs

Still some to come...

- Improvement of the RF harvester sensitivity
- Very-Small, flexible and low-cost antennas
- Ultra-large-band and/or Multiband antennas
- Innovative harvester topology
- Improvement of the RFPT link-budget (e.g. RFPT modulation)



# How to detect position of user to keep high beam efficiency on wireless power transfer via radio waves

Naoki Shinohara  
Kyoto University

Radio waves can carry an energy wirelessly to multi users by wide beam like RF-ID and also carry it to single user by narrow beam with high efficiency, which reaches theoretically 100%, instead of a wire. To keep the high beam efficiency for the narrow beam wireless power transfer (WPT) system and also to develop effective WPT system with the wide beam, we must detect the position of the user and must control a beam direction. In this talk, I show some method of a target position detecting via radio wave. A retrodirective target detecting method is often applied for the wireless power transfer system via radio wave. It is based on Van Atta reflector array and is mainly applied for a phased array antenna system. With the retrodirective method, we can not only detect the position of the target but also estimate an transmitting antenna plane. It is originally method for one target, but recently it is applied for multi target WPT system. I'll explain mainly the rectrodirective target detecting method for the WPT system and show the other methods of the target detecting.



# WPW SCHOOL

## How to detect position of user to keep high beam efficiency on wireless power transfer via radio waves

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# WPW SCHOOL

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

### Inductive WPT (Coupled WPT)



### OWPT (Uncoupled WPT)

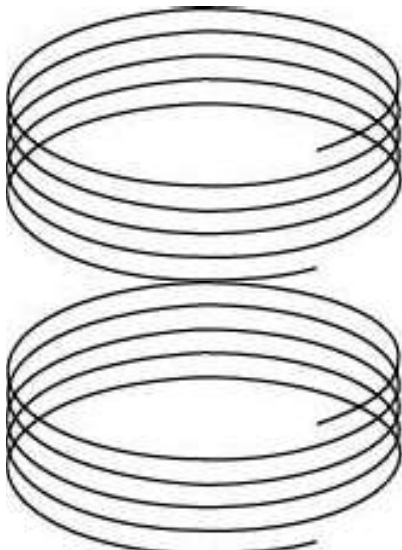
### WPT via Radio Wave (Microwave, UHF) (Uncoupled WPT)

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## 2. What happen when position is changed in WPT System?

### Coupling WPT



Resonance Frequency : **Changed**  
Circuit Impedances : **Un-Matched:**  
-> Efficiency : **Decreased**

Resonance Frequency : **Matched**  
Circuit Impedances : **Matched:**  
-> Efficiency : **Max**

In order to increase efficiency,  
circuit impedance and  
resonance frequency  
must be **re-optimized.**

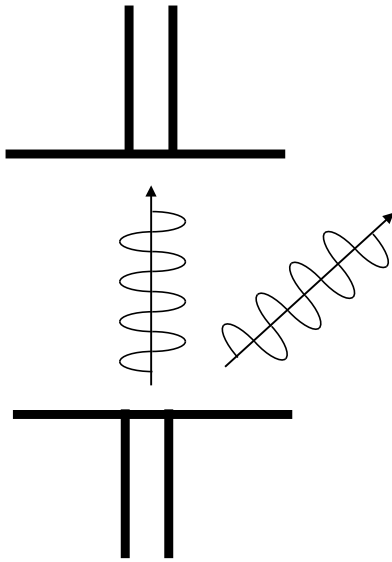
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## 2. What happen when position is changed in WPT System?

### Uncoupled WPT (WPT via Radio Waves)



Resonance Frequency : **Matched**  
Circuit Impedances : **Matched:**  
-> Efficiency : **Decreased**

Resonance Frequency : **Matched**  
Circuit Impedances : **Matched:**  
-> Efficiency : **Max**

In order to increase efficiency,  
beam direction must be controlled  
and **target position must be**  
**detected.**

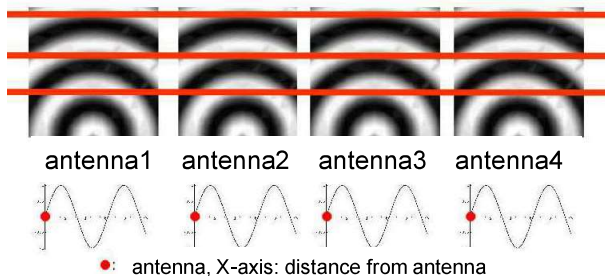
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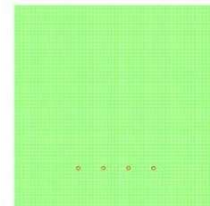
## 2. What happen when position is changed in WPT System?

### Phased Array for Beam Forming

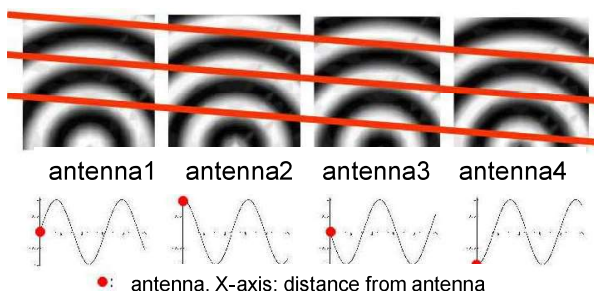
(a) Same phases of radio waves from different antennas



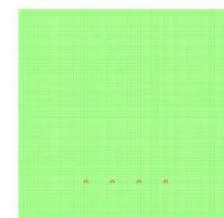
→ Equivalent phase plane is front  
=Beam direction is to front



(b) Different phases of radio waves from different antennas



→ Equivalent phase plane is oblique  
=Beam direction is to oblique



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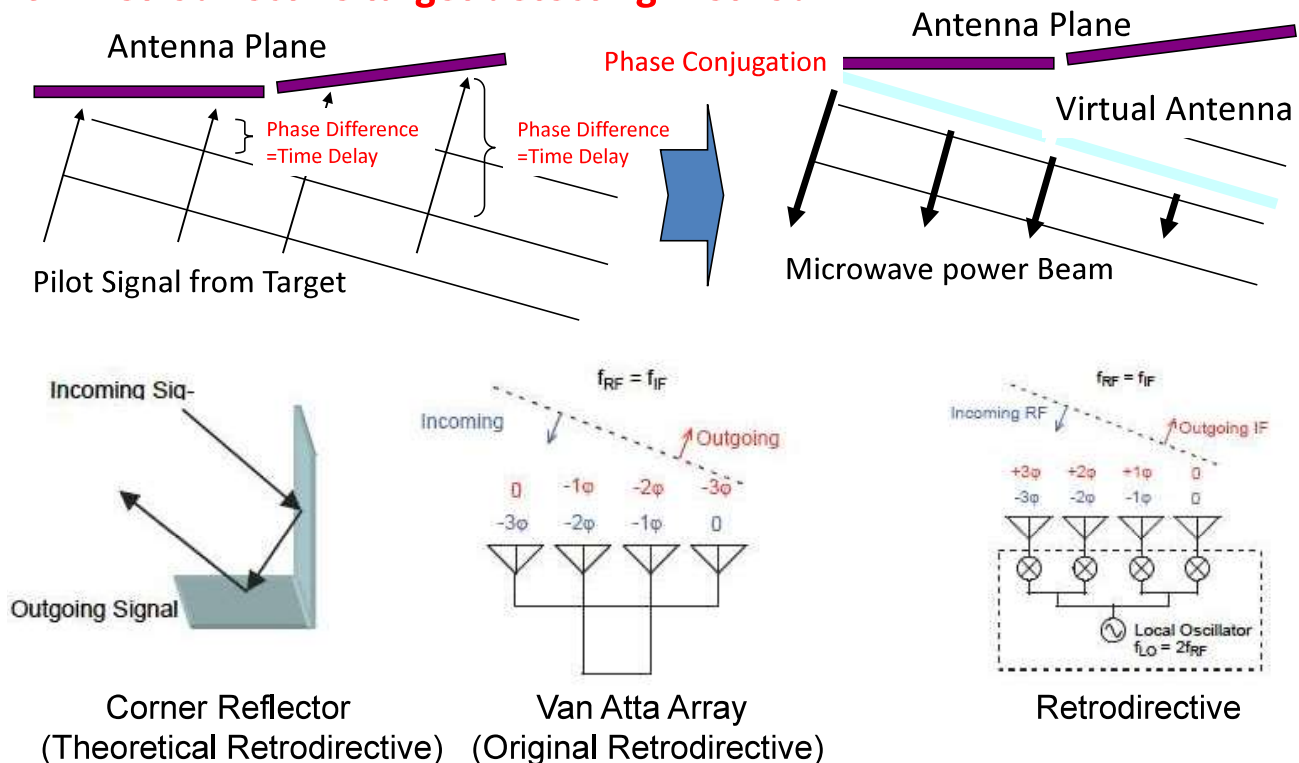
## 3. How to detect position of user

- Pilot Signal from User
  - Analog Phase Conjugation Circuits = Retrodirective
  - Direction of Arrival (DOA) + Beam Forming = Software Retrodirective
- GPS (Global Positioning System)
- Optical Method
- Supersonic Method
- Closed Loop

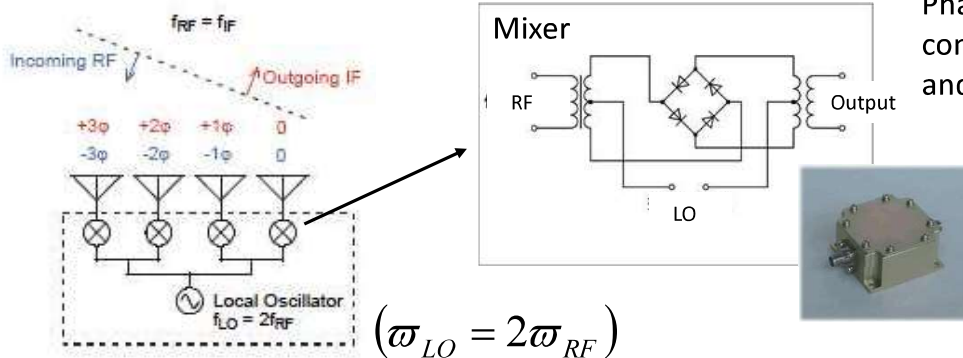
➡ To keep high beam efficiency on WPT, accurate target detecting is not only required, but also is required recognize position of each antenna on phased array.

➡ Retrodirective is recommended.

## 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method



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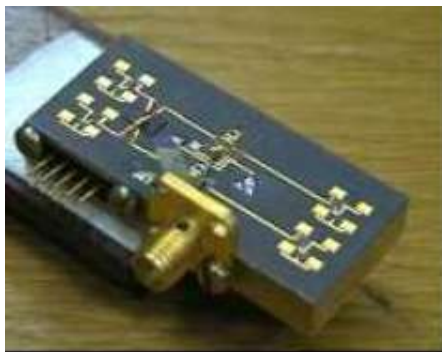


$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{IF} &= V_{RF} \cos(\omega_{RF}t + \theta_n) \cdot V_{LO} \cos(\omega_{LO}t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} V_{RF} V_{LO} \left[ \cos((\omega_{LO} - \omega_{RF})t - \theta_n) + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \cancel{\cos((\omega_{LO} + \omega_{RF})t + \theta_n)} \right] \quad \text{Elimination by LPF} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} V_{RF} V_{LO} \cos(\omega_{RF}t - \theta_n) \quad \because \omega_{LO} = 2\omega_{RF}
 \end{aligned}$$

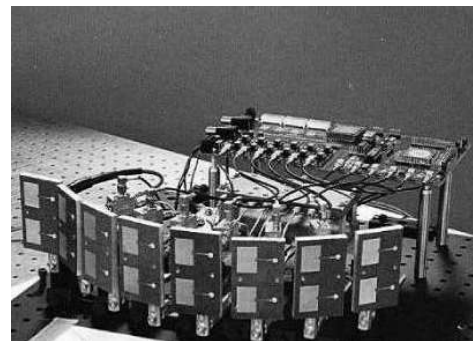
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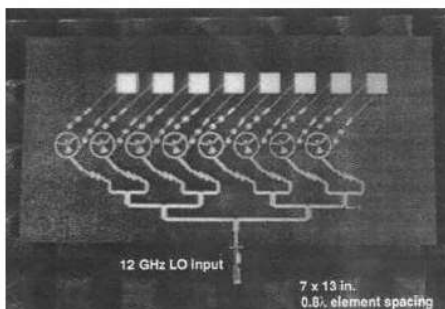
## 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method



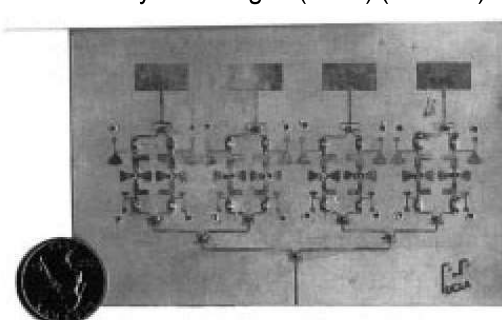
Queen's University (62-66GHz)



Jet Propulsion Laboratory and University of Michigan (2001) (5.9GHz)



UCLA (1995) (6GHz)



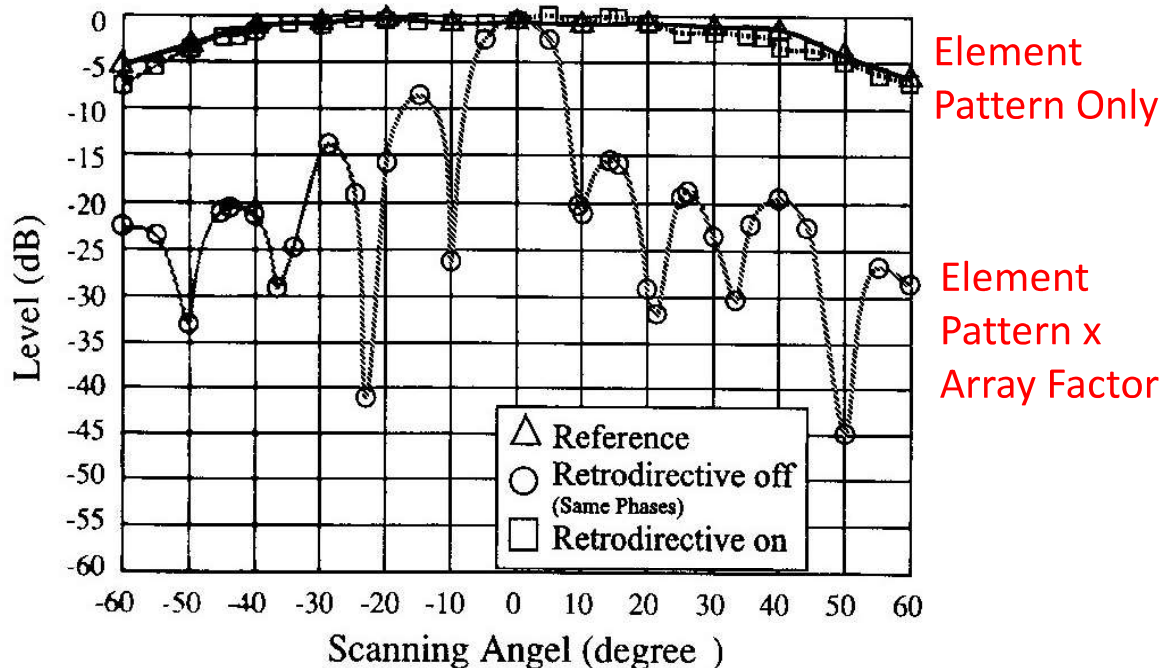
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### 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method

Typical Beam Pattern of Retrodirective System



### 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method

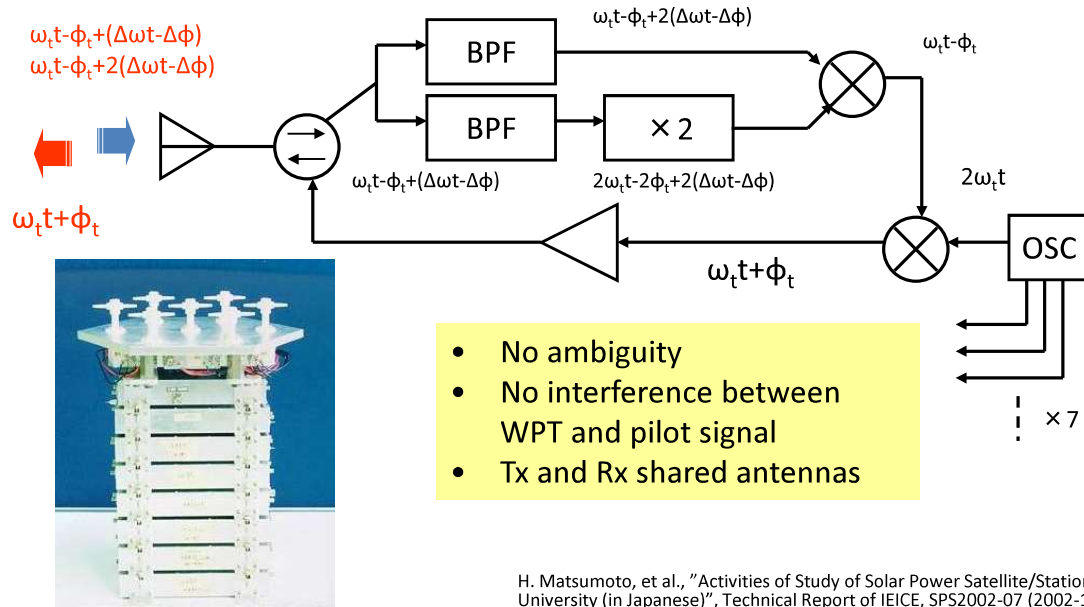
- Merits of Retrodirective System
  - Both target detecting and recognition of antenna position
  - Very high speed beam control
    - <- Analog phase conjugation circuits only
  - Low Cost <- Without expensive phase shifters
- Demerits of Retrodirective System
  - Beam forming to user only
    - <- Without phase shifters
  - Interference between pilot signal and WPT beam
    - <- Theoretical requirement of the same frequency
  - Fluctuation of pilot signal source and WPT source
    - <- Two independent sources



## 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method

Avoidance of interference between pilot signal and WPT beam

- $+\Delta\omega$ ,  $+2\Delta\omega$  asymmetric 2 pilot signals



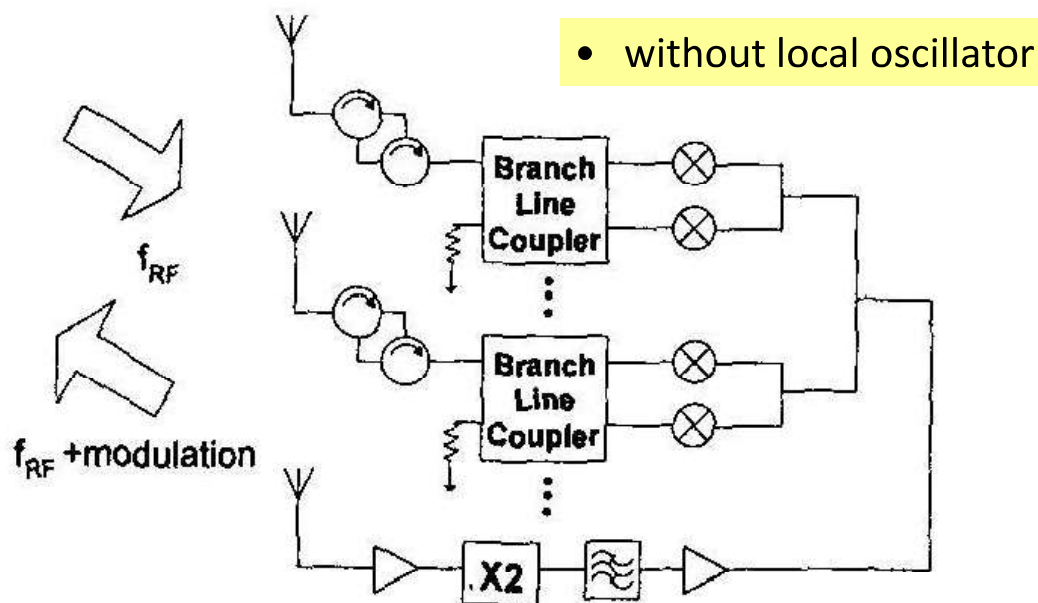
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## 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method

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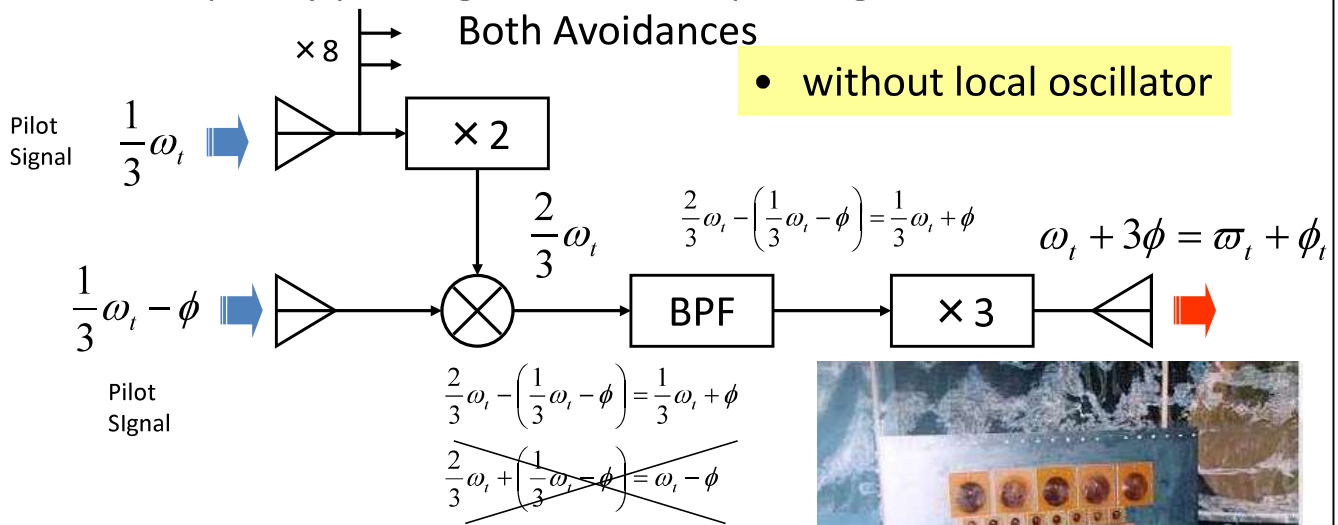
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## 3.1 Retrodirective target detecting method

- 1/3 frequency pilot signal + reuse of pilot signal as source of WPT



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## 3.2 Multi-pass retrodirective target detecting method

- Seamless delivery to simultaneous multiple devices in Cota (Ossia Corp.)

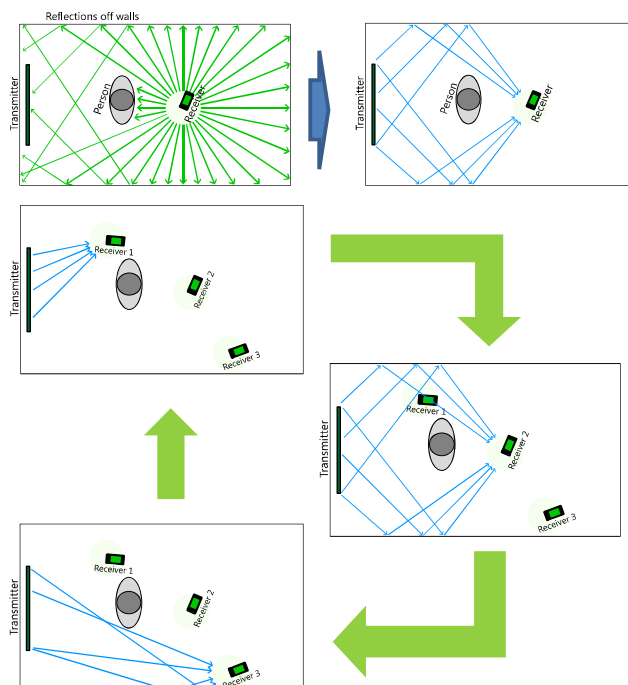
### Retrodirective with Pulse in Multi-pass

#### Signal Replay

The transmitter establishes the signal shape from each device, and replays the signal to power the devices from memory.

#### Moving Devices

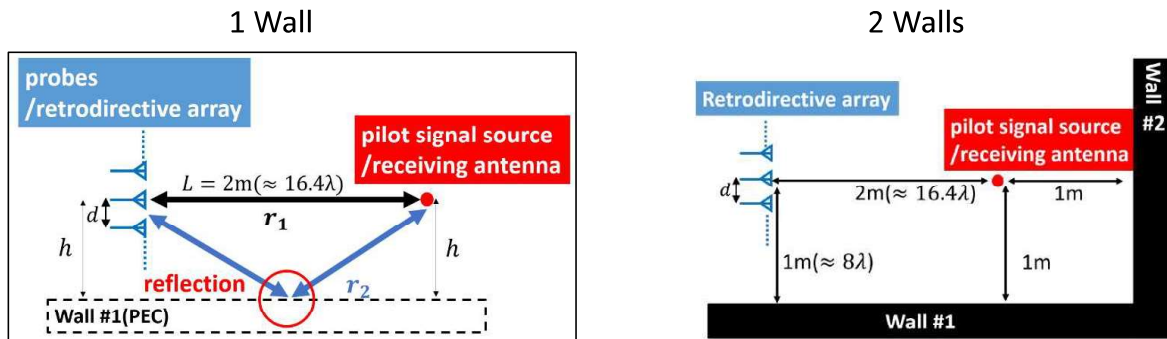
The transmitter would also refresh the signal shape for each device multiple times a second to be able to follow moving devices.



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## 3.2 Multi-pass retrodirective target detecting method



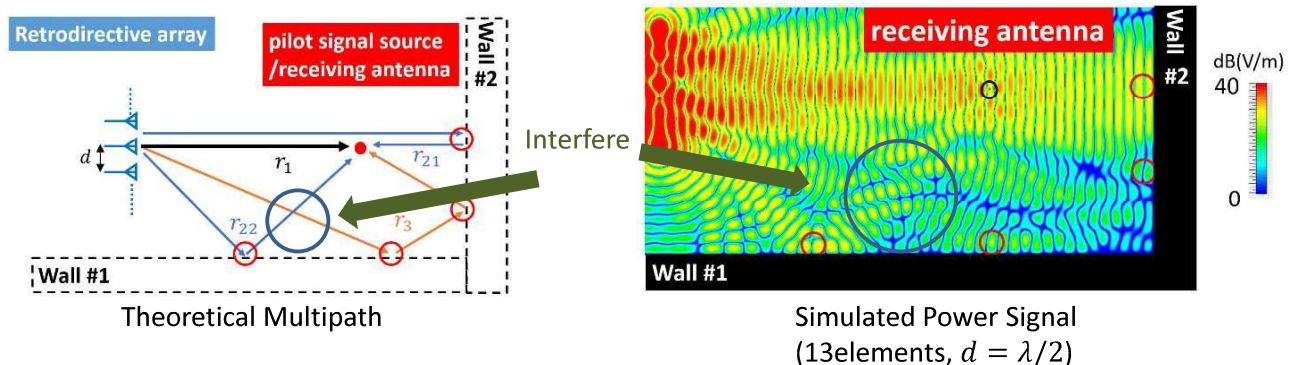
|                            |                                                               |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Frequency                  | 2.45 GHz                                                      |
| Element                    | Half-wave dipole                                              |
| Input power per port       | 0.5 W                                                         |
| L (line of sight distance) | 2m                                                            |
| h (height from the wall)   | 1m or 2m                                                      |
| d (element interval)       | $\lambda/4$ or $\lambda/2$                                    |
| Definition of efficiency   | $\frac{\text{received power}}{\text{input power}} \times 100$ |

T. Sasaki, et al., "Study on Multipath Retrodirective for Microwave Power Transmission", Proc. of IEEE WPTc2018

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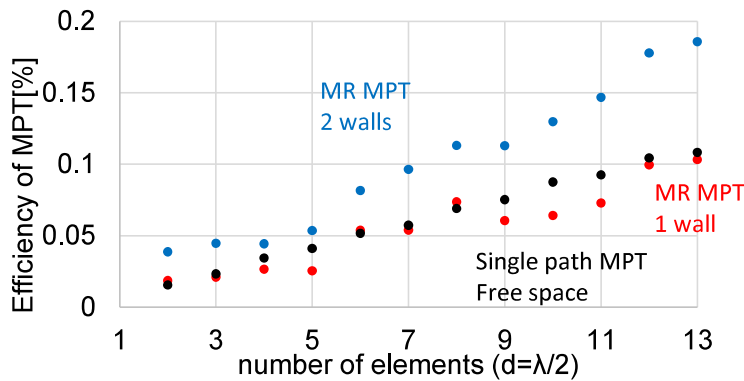
- $r_1$  and  $r_{21}$  were mainly formed, and  $r_3$  were weakly formed
- $r_{22}$  and  $r_3$  interfered and weakened each other

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## 3.2 Multi-pass retrodirective target detecting method



The case of 2 walls was better than other cases



With a number of multipath, higher power concentrated

Multipath Retrodirective possibly achieve higher efficiency than single path MPT

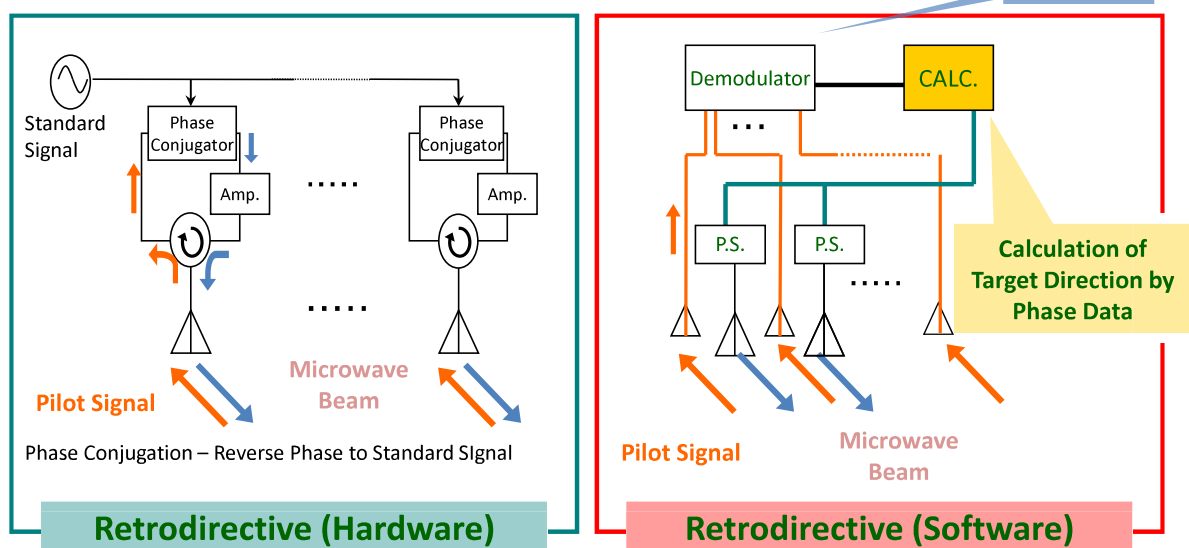
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## 4. Other Methods

### Software Retrodirective



Retrodirective (Hardware) : with Phase Conjugators

Retrodirective (Software) : with Computer and Phase Shifters

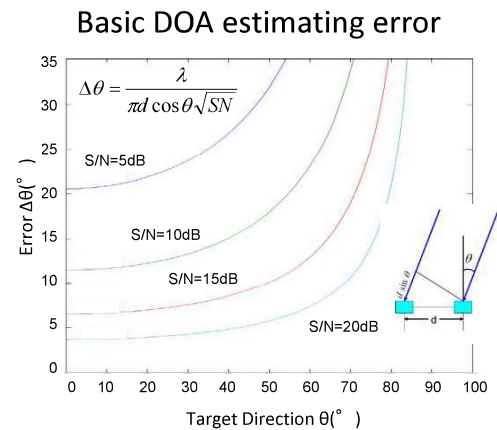
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## 4. Other Methods

### DOA Algorithms

- Basic
  - Beamformer (by Beam Scanning)
  - Capon (by Beam Scanning)
  - Linear Prediction ; LP (by Null Scanning)
- High Resolution
  - Min-Norm
  - MUSIC(MULTiple Signal Classification) (for multi beam scanning)
  - ESPRIT(Estimation of Signal Parameters via Rotational Invariance Technique) (for multi beam scanning with more two sub array)
- etc
  - RBF(Radial Basis Function) by Neural Network



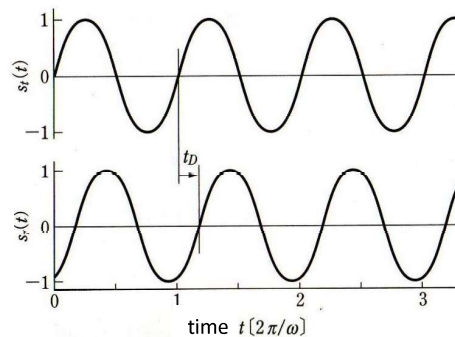
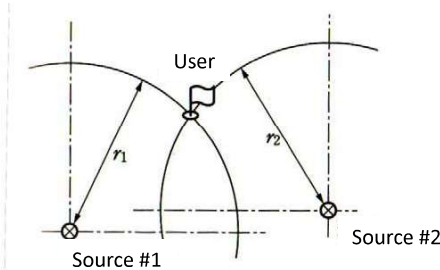
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## 4. Other Methods

### GPS

#### Measurement of Phase of GPS Signals



$$s_t(t) = \sin(\omega t + \phi_t)$$

$$s_r(t) = \sin(\omega(t - t_D) + \phi_t) = \sin(\omega t + \phi_r)$$

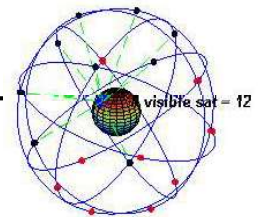
$$\phi_r = \phi_t - \omega t_D$$

$$t_D = \frac{\phi_t - \phi_r}{\omega}$$

$$d = ct_D$$

$$\begin{cases} r_1 = \sqrt{(x_1 - x)^2 + (y_1 - y)^2 + (z_1 - z)^2} + s \\ r_2 = \sqrt{(x_2 - x)^2 + (y_2 - y)^2 + (z_2 - z)^2} + s \\ \vdots \\ r_N = \sqrt{(x_N - x)^2 + (y_N - y)^2 + (z_N - z)^2} + s \end{cases}$$

From 4 signals (minimum), we estimate x,y,z,s (error factor)



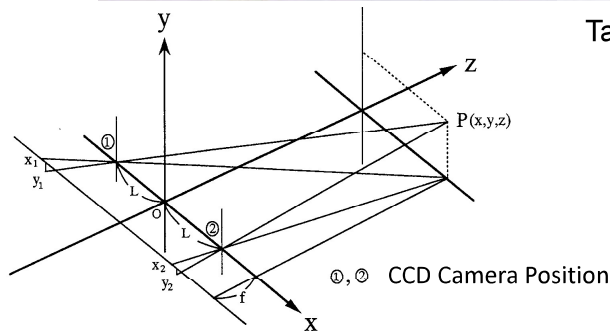
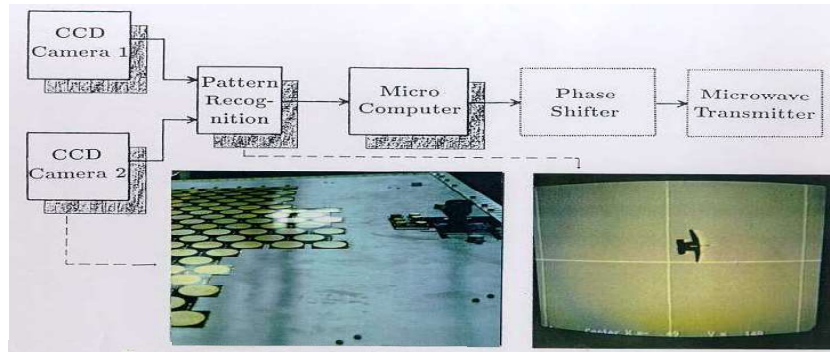
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## 4. Other Methods

### Optical Method

Experimental System in MILAX in Japan in 1992



Target Position (X,Y,Z)

$$X = Z \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2f}$$

$$Y = |y_1| \frac{Z}{f}$$

$$Z = \frac{2Lf}{|x_2 - x_1|}$$

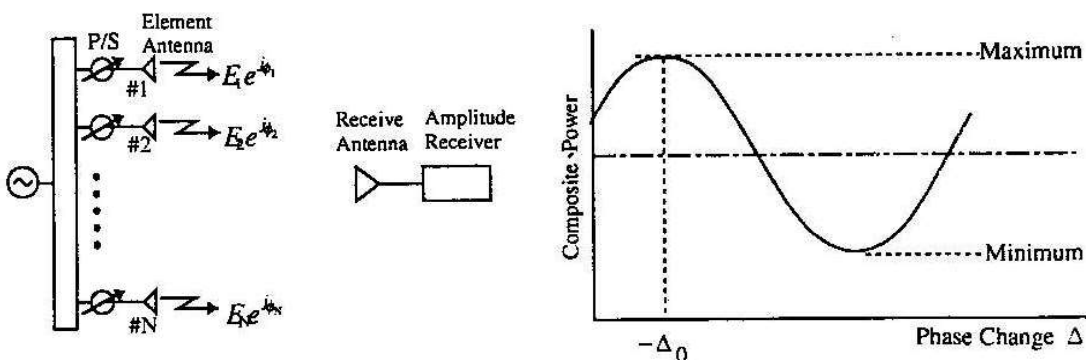
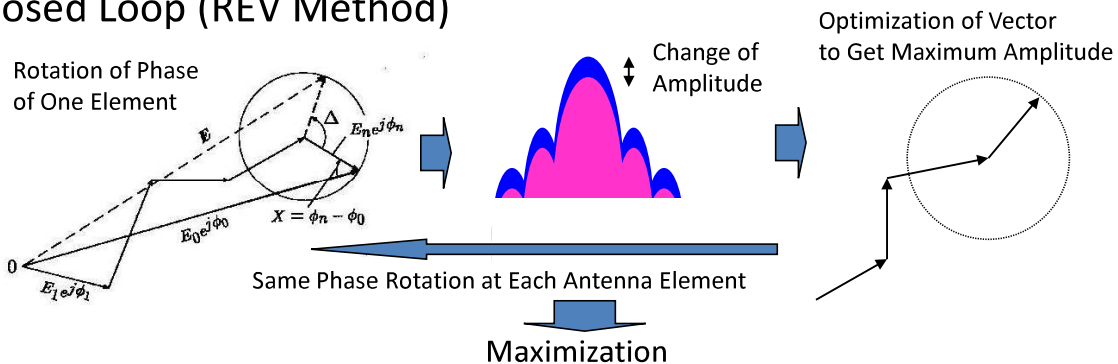
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## 4. Other Methods

### Closed Loop (REV Method)

REV : Rotating Electromagnetic Vector



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## 4. Other Methods

Experimental System in SHARP in Canada in 1987

### Closed Loop (SHARP Method)

'Closed Loop' Method to estimate **phase difference  $p$**  from  $\sin p$   
with correction of decrease of power **with help of altimeter**

$$A = Rke^{-jp}$$

$$A' = Rke^{-j(p - \frac{\pi}{2})}$$

$$A'' = Rke^{-j(p + \frac{\pi}{2})}$$

from  $R' = R + A'$ ,  $R'' = R + A''$

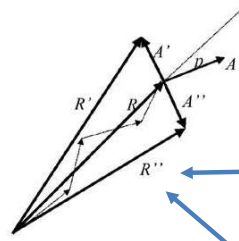
$$|R'| = |R| \sqrt{(1 + 2k \sin p)^2 + k^2 \cos^2 p}$$

$$\approx |R| (1 + k \sin p)$$

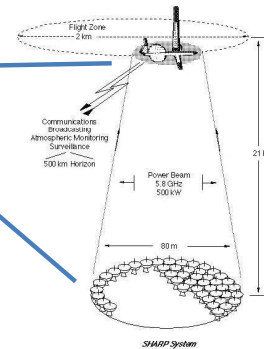
$$|R''| \approx |R| (1 - k \sin p)$$

However  $k \ll 1$   
(when number of antennas is a lot)

$$|R'| - |R''| = 2|R|k \sin p = 2|A| \sin p$$



(2) Measure Change of Amplitude and Phase at Receiving Antenna



(1) Change of Phase at Transmitting Antenna Array by only  $90^\circ$  and  $-90^\circ$

East, T. W. R., "A Self-Steering Array for the SHARP Microwave-Powered Aircraft", IEEE-Trans. AP 40, No.12, 1992

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## 5. CONCLUSIONS

- To keep high beam efficiency in WPT system, we must know a position of user and positions of each antenna on phased array
- There are various target detecting method, e.g. GPS, optical method, closed loop method, DOA (Direction of Arrival) Algorithm, etc.
- Retrodirective target detecting method is one of best method to detect a user and to recognize positions of each antenna
- Retrodirective method can be applied in multi-pass circumstance.

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# Optimize, Learn and Prototype Wireless Communications and Power Transfer

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Wireless communication has shaped our society. Wireless is however not limited to communication. Far-field wireless power has recently become recognised as feasible for energising low-power devices due to reductions in power requirements of electronics. As wireless has disrupted communication, wireless will also disrupt the delivery of energy. Interestingly, radio waves carry both energy and information. Nevertheless, energy and information have traditionally been treated separately. Imagine instead a wireless network where information and energy flow together through the wireless medium. Wireless communication, or Wireless Information Transfer (WIT), and Wireless Power Transfer (WPT) would then refer to two extreme strategies respectively targeting communication-only and power-only. A unified Wireless Information and Power Transfer design would on the other hand have the ability to softly evolve in between those two extremes to make the best use of the RF spectrum and radiations and the network infrastructure to communicate and energize. In this talk, I will discuss recent progress on laying the foundations of the envisioned network by establishing a novel and unified signal theory for transmission and identifying the fundamental tradeoff between conveying information and power wirelessly. Recent results on the prototyping and experimentation of those new signals will also be discussed.

# Optimize, Learn and Prototype Wireless Communications and Power Transfer

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## Wireless is More than just Communications

### Radio waves carry both energy and information

Wireless Power Transmission  
(WPT)



Tesla 1901

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Wireless Information Transmission  
(WIT)

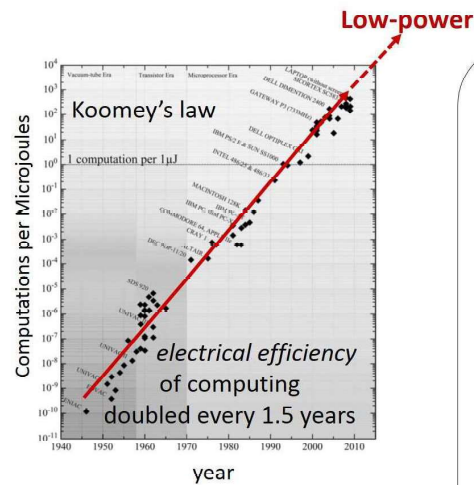


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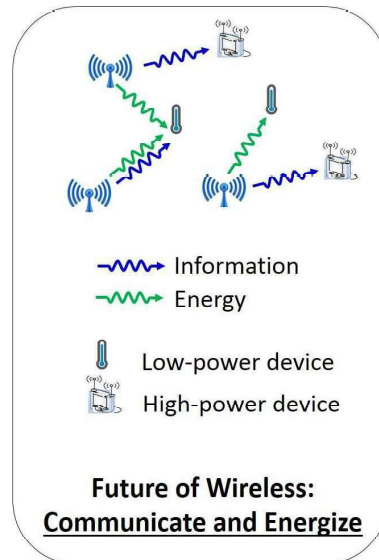
5G

Unified Wireless Information and Power Transmission  
(WIPT)

## In 20 Years from Now ... Trillions of Low-Power Devices



2017: 5 Billions phones  
2035: **Trillions** IoT devices



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## A Missing Signal Theory of Wireless Transmission

### Wireless Power Transmission

RF Theory ✓

Signal Theory ✗

### Wireless Information Transmission

RF Theory ✓

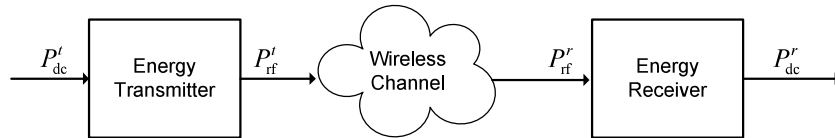
Signal Theory (Shannon, ...) ✓

### Wireless Information and Power Transmission

Unified Signal Theory ✗

## WPT Architecture

### A generic architecture



### End-to-End Power Transfer Efficiency

$$e = \frac{P^r_{dc}}{P^t_{dc}} = \underbrace{\frac{P^t_{rf}}{P^t_{dc}}}_{e_1} \underbrace{\frac{P^r_{rf}}{P^t_{rf}}}_{e_2} \underbrace{\frac{P^r_{dc}}{P^r_{rf}}}_{e_3}$$

**Careful!** Maximizing  $e$  not achieved by maximizing  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  independently from each other

- $e_1, e_2, e_3$  coupled due to **nonlinearity**, especially at  $1\mu W$ - $1mW$
- $e_2, e_3$  are both functions of the Tx signal and wireless channel state

## Nonlinear Energy Harvester Model



**Nonlinear Model:**  $P^r_{dc}$  proportional to

$$\underbrace{k_2 R_{ant} \mathcal{E} \{y(t)^2\}}_{\substack{P^r_{rf} \\ \text{Linear term/model}}} + \underbrace{k_4 R_{ant}^2 \mathcal{E} \{y(t)^4\}}_{\text{Nonlinear term}} + \dots$$

- $\max e_2 e_3 \neq \max e_2$
- Maximizing  $P^r_{rf}$  is **not** the same as maximizing  $P^r_{dc}$
- Typical values given by  $k_2 = 0.0034$ ,  $k_4 = 0.3829$ ,  $R_{ant} = 50$



## Waveform Design for WPT

**Multi-sine multi-antenna transmit signal** (antenna  $m = 1, \dots, M$  and sinewave  $n = 0, \dots, N - 1$ )

$$x_m(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s_{n,m} \cos(2\pi f_n t + \phi_{n,m})$$

**Received signal after multipath**

$$y(t) = \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} s_{n,m} A_{n,m} \cos(2\pi f_n t + \underbrace{\phi_{n,m} + \bar{\psi}_{n,m}}_{\psi_{n,m}})$$

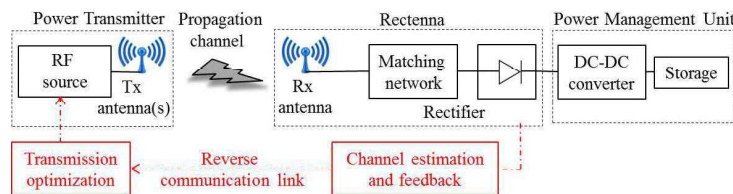
**Frequency response of the channel** of antenna  $m$  at  $w_n$

$$h_{n,m} = A_{n,m} e^{j\bar{\psi}_{n,m}}$$

**Goal:** Design amplitudes and phases  $\{s_{n,m}, \phi_{n,m}\}_{n,m}$  to maximize the DC output power subject to average transmit power constraint

## Systematic Waveform Design

Assume an **adaptive closed-loop WPT** system with **channel known to the Tx**



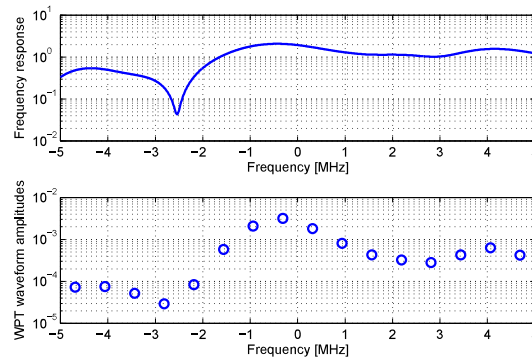
**Problem:** Maximize the quantity  $z_{DC}$

$$\max_{\mathbf{S}, \Phi} z_{DC}(\mathbf{S}, \Phi) = \underbrace{k_2 R_{ant} \mathcal{E}\{y(t)^2\}}_{\text{Linear term}} + \underbrace{k_4 R_{ant}^2 \mathcal{E}\{y(t)^4\} + \dots}_{\text{Nonlinear terms}}$$

$$\text{subject to } \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{S}\|_F^2 \leq P$$

**Systematic design?** Yes, for any  $M, N, n_o$ .

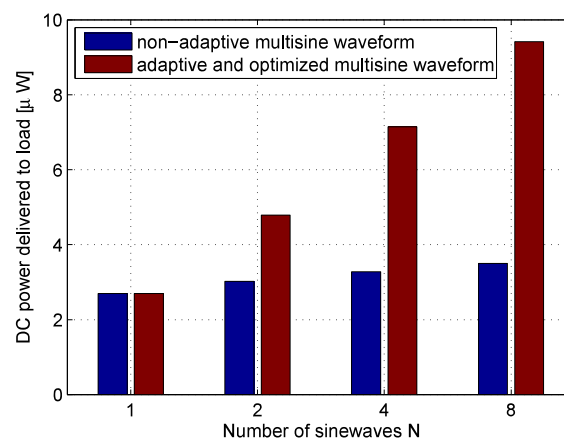
## Waveform Illustration



### Observation

- ① Allocate power over multiple sinewaves with more power to frequencies exhibiting larger channel gains
- ② Optimally exploits **frequency-diversity gain**, spatial **beamforming gain** and **rectifier nonlinearity**

## Circuit Evaluations



### Observation

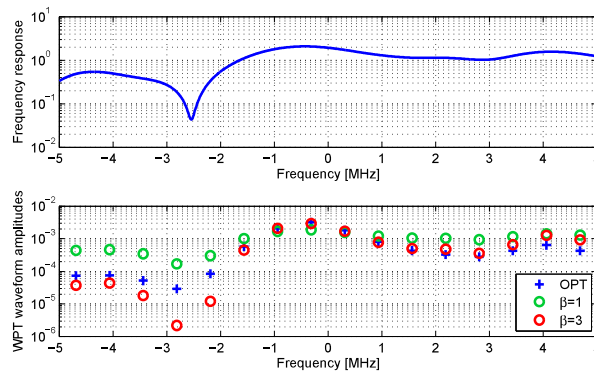
- ① Significant performance gains with systematic and optimized waveforms.

## Low-Complexity Waveform Design

So far, not implementation friendly.

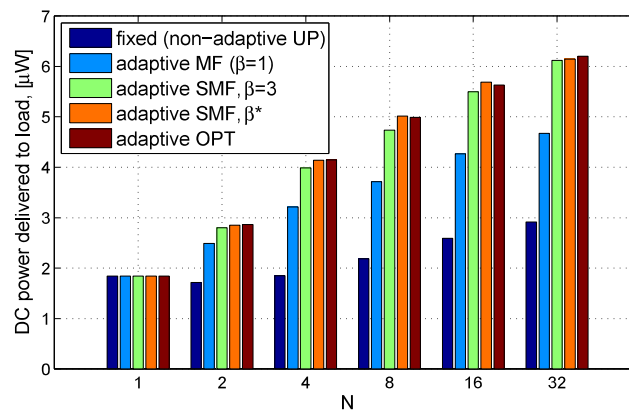
### Low-Complexity Adaptive Multisine Waveform

- Idea: allocate more power to frequencies exhibiting larger channel gains
- Scaled Matched Filter (SMF):  $s_n = cA_n^\beta$  with  $c$  a constant
- $A_n^\beta$ : amplify strong frequency components and attenuate weak ones



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## Circuit Evaluations

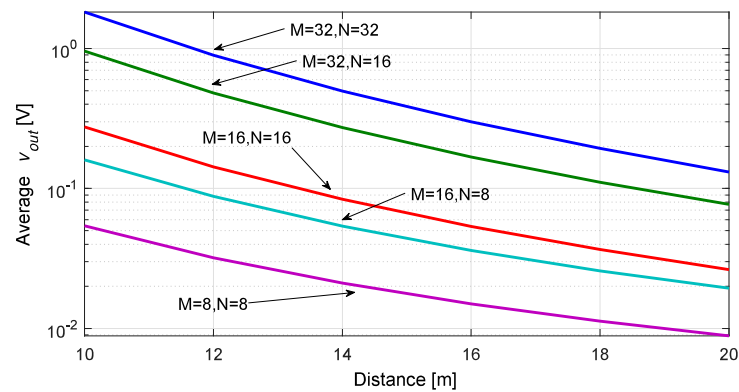


### Observation

- 1 SMF very close to OPT despite much lower design complexity
- 2 Waveform design holds for single and multiple-diode rectennas

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## Large-Scale WPT Architecture



### Observation

- 1 Significant benefits of the architecture to **boost the end to end power transfer efficiency and the transmission range**

## Modulation Design for WPT

**Energy modulation** in single-carrier/sinewave transmission to **boost**  $e_3$ ?

**Induce random fluctuations of the transmit signal**

$$\text{Recall } z_{DC} = k_2 R_{ant} \mathcal{E}\{y(t)^2\} + k_4 R_{ant}^2 \mathcal{E}\{y(t)^4\}$$

Design modulation/**input distribution** with **large fourth order moment**!

**Flash signaling** distribution with following probability mass function (with  $l \geq 1$ )

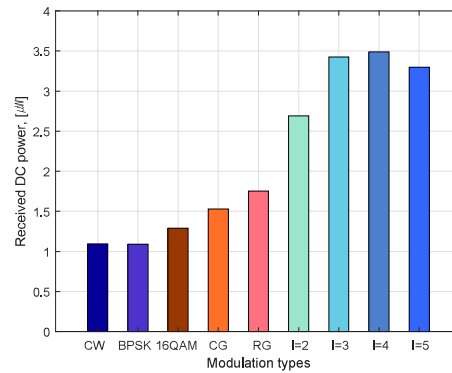
$$p_r(r) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{1}{l^2}, & r = 0, \\ \frac{1}{l^2}, & r = l\sqrt{P}. \end{cases}$$

**Low probability of high amplitude signals**

- Average power constant  $\mathcal{E}\{r^2\} = P$
- ... but  $\mathbb{E}[r^4] = l^2 P^2$ , i.e. the larger  $l$ , the larger the fourth order moment.

## Circuit Evaluations

Received DC power as a function of modulation (CW continuous wave, CN CSCG input, N real Gaussian input,  $l$  for flash signaling)

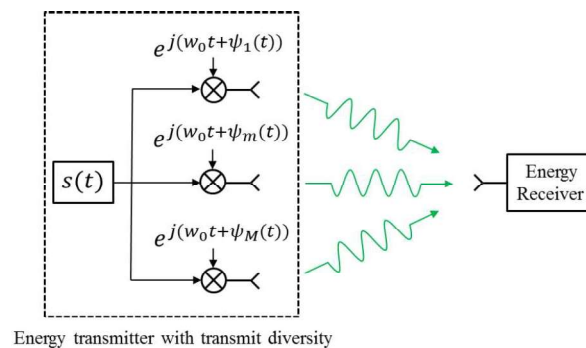


### Observation

- 1 Energy modulation gives a 250% gain over CW
- 2 Rectenna nonlinearity favors distributions with a large fourth moment!

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## Transmit Diversity for WPT



Multiple **dumb** antennas to induce fast fluctuations of the wireless channel

Fluctuations **boost**  $e_3$  thanks to EH nonlinearity

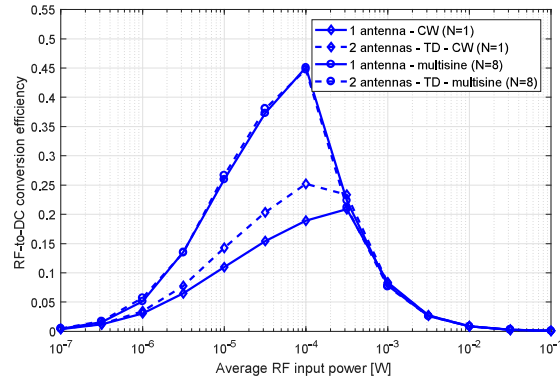
Multiple antenna but **no CSIT** (in contrast to beamforming)

Multiple transmit antennas be useful to WPT in the absence of CSIT!



## Circuit Evaluations

Increase in RF-to-DC conversion efficiency



35% gain with two antennas over one antenna

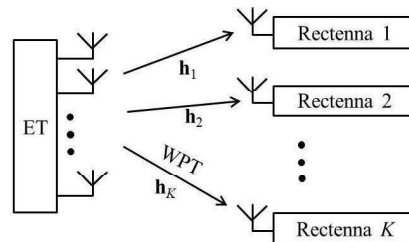
Very low implementation complexity

Well suited for massive IoT for which CSIT acquisition is impractical

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## Multi-User WPT Signal Design

Multi-User WPT: WPT to  $K$  single-antenna users/rectennas



Trade-off:  $z_{DC,q}$  in general depends on  $z_{DC,p}, p \neq q$

Energy Region  $\mathcal{Z}_{DC}$ : set of all rectenna harvested energy ( $z_{DC,1}, \dots, z_{DC,K}$ ) that are simultaneously achievable

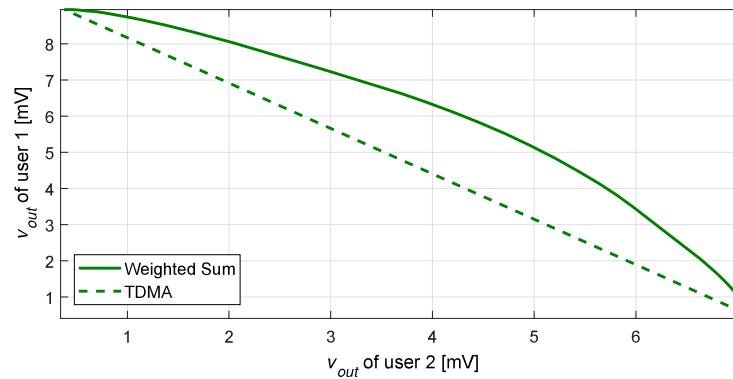
Boundary of  $\mathcal{Z}_{DC}$ : weighted sum of  $z_{DC,k}$  with weights  $v_k, k = 1, \dots, K$

$$\max_{\mathbf{S}, \Phi} Z_{DC}(\mathbf{S}, \Phi) = \sum_{k=1}^K v_k z_{DC,k}(\mathbf{S}, \Phi) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{S}\|_F^2 \leq P$$

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## Energy region

**Energy region:** Achievable  $v_{out}$  region, with  $M = 20$  and  $N = 10$



### Observation

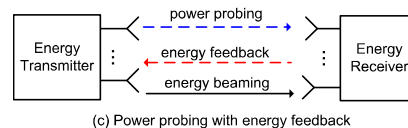
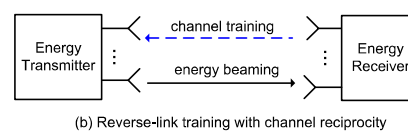
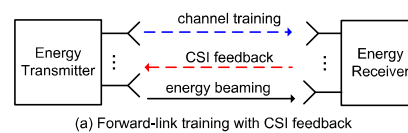
- 1 Multi-user waveform design outperforms TDMA

## Channel Acquisition for WPT

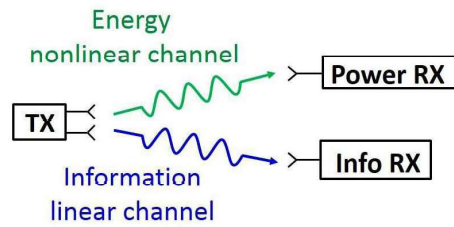
Waveform/beamforming requires **Channel State Information (CSI)** at Tx

### Unique considerations

- **CSI at (energy) receiver:** not required for WPT
- **Net energy maximization:** to balance the energy overhead for CSI acquisition and the energy harvested with CSI-based signal design
- **Hardware constraint:** no/low signal processing capability for low-cost ERs



# Wireless Information and Power Transmission

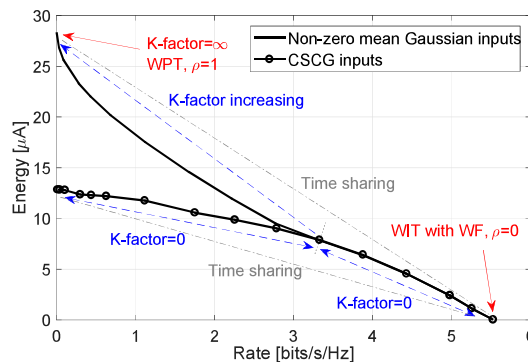


**Fundamental tradeoff** between rate and harvested DC power?

**Unified signal** theory and design for WIPT?

## Rate-Energy Tradeoff

Average Rx power of -20dBm. 20dB SNR.  $B = 1\text{MHz}$ .  $N = 16$ ,  $M = 1$ .

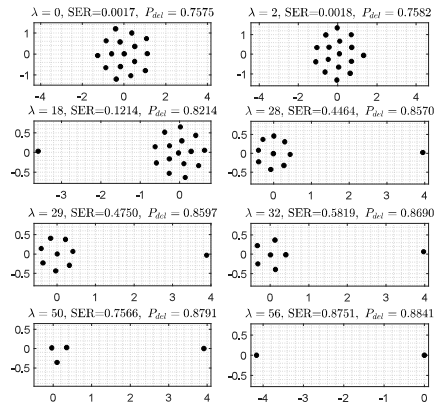


### Observation

- ① **Non-trivial tradeoff** between rate and energy
- ② Superposition of power and communication waveforms beneficial
- ③ **Need for new WIPT signals:** conventional communication signals/modulation/waveform suboptimal for WIPT

## Machine Learning to design WIPT modulation

Representation of 16-symbols modulation for different values of energy



### Observation

- 1 Reminiscent of QAM for low power delivery and flash signaling for high power delivery

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## Prototyping and Experimentation of Closed-Loop WPT

Establish an **experimental environment for closed-loop and open-loop WPT**

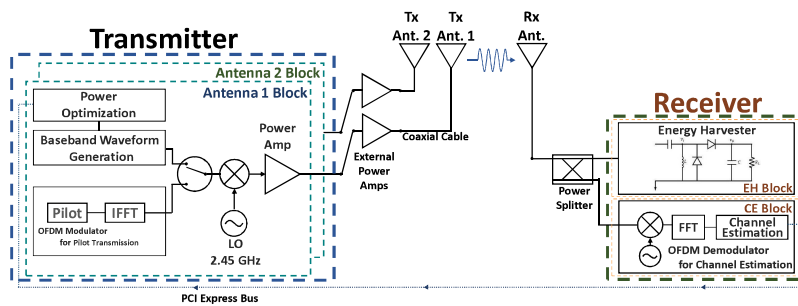
- Design optimized WPT signals
- Implement CSI acquisition/channel estimator
- Design efficient rectenna

**Verify advantages of systematic signal designs for WPT**

- waveform, beamforming, modulation, transmit diversity

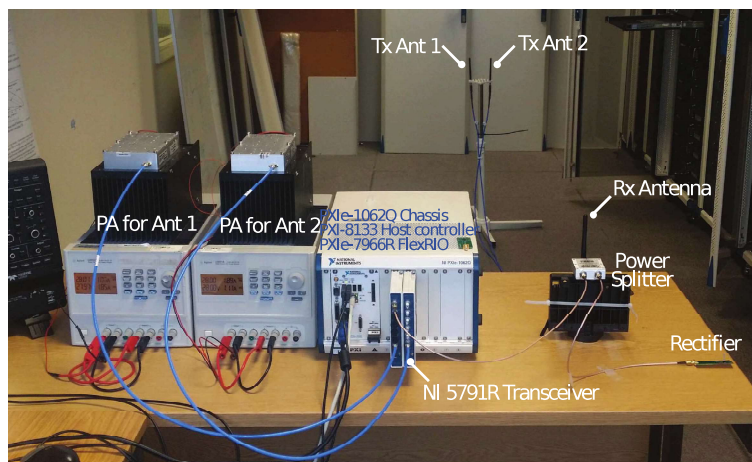
**Measurements confirm theory:** gains very promising

## Prototype Architecture



- The system operates in 2.4 GHz ISM band
- Software Defined Radio (SDR) used for transmitter and channel estimator. NI FlexRIO (PXI-7966R) and transceiver module (NI 5791R)
- Channel estimation and waveform design implemented in LabVIEW

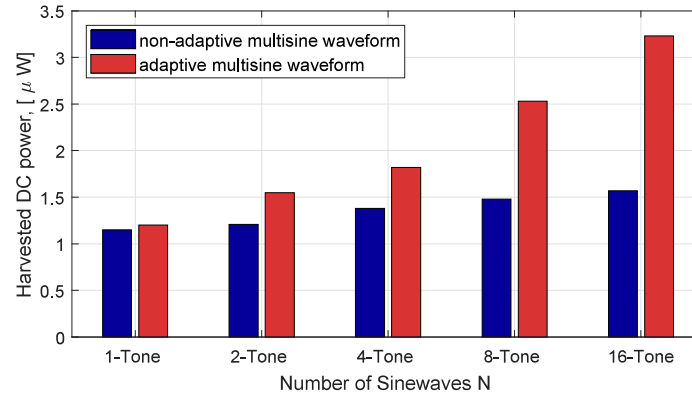
## Actual Prototype





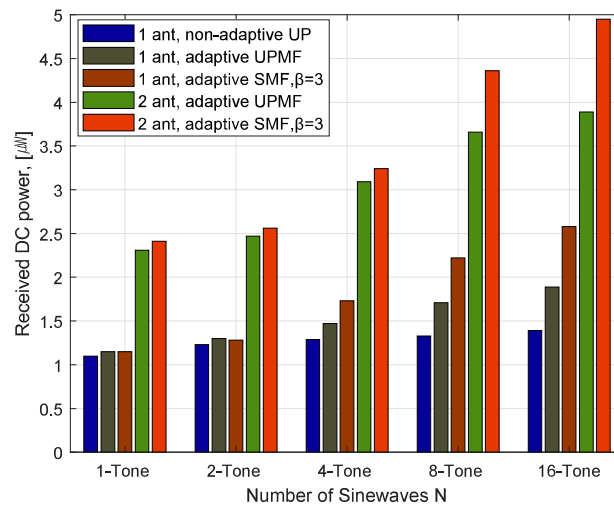
## Measurement Results: Waveform

Received DC power as a function of  $N$  with 10 MHz bandwidth in NLoS



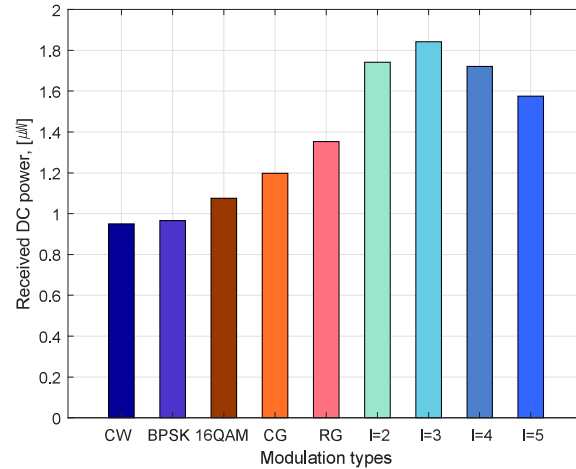
## Measurement Results: Joint Beamforming and Waveform

Received DC power as a function of  $N$  with 10 MHz bandwidth in NLoS



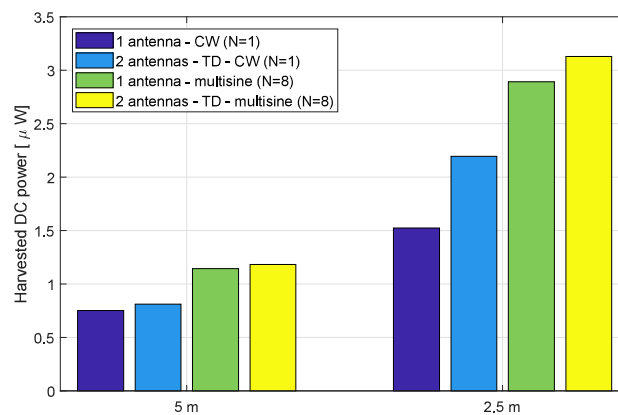
## Measurement Results: Modulation

**Received DC power** as a function of modulation (CW continuous wave, CN CSCG input,  $N$  real Gaussian input,  $l$  for flash signaling)

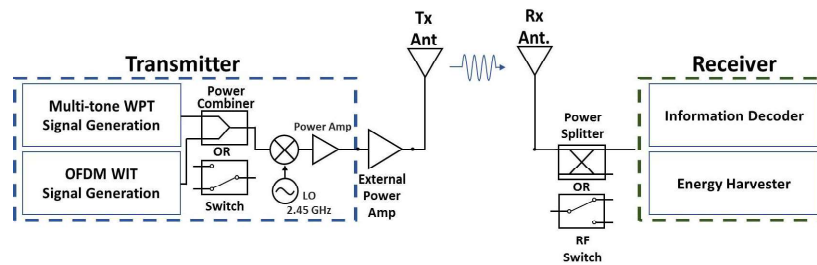


## Measurement Results: Transmit Diversity

**Received DC power** with a continuous wave (CW), transmit diversity ( $M = 2$ ) with continuous wave, multisine ( $N = 8$ ) and transmit diversity with multisine ( $N = 8$ )



## WIPT Prototype Architecture



- Evaluate **harvested energy-throughput** (E-T) performance with different transmission signal designs, modulation schemes, and receiver architectures
- Validate theory and signal designs

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## Conclusions

### Communications and signals for WPT/WIPT systems

- Lay the foundations and tackle the challenges of the envisioned network
- Develop a **signal theory** for transmission over the **nonlinear wireless power channel** and the linear wireless communication channel
- Two complementary approaches: Optimize and Learn
- Identify the fundamental **tradeoff** between conveying information and power wirelessly
- **Validated** by circuit simulations, prototyping and experiments

### Nonlinearity is a fundamental property of the rectifier and is **beneficial**

- The wireless power channel is nonlinear
- **Do not compensate the nonlinearity but exploit it**
- Importance of accounting for the nonlinearity in any design involving wireless power
- Leads to **fundamental changes to WIPT design** (PHY and MAC layers)

### Need for **bridging RF and comms/signal processing**

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# Combining backscatter communications with WPT, the new Wireless Power Communication Paradigm

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The Internet-of-Things (IoT) vision calls for thousands interconnected devices in wearables, vehicles, buildings, using a multitude of sensors to provide us with useful information. Backscatter communication provides an enabling technology to address the needs of IoT, due to the simplicity of the tag circuit and the ability to minimize the usage of batteries or even completely eliminate them taking advantage of wireless power transmission as well as energy harvesting. This talk presents the latest advances in backscatter communication technology, covering a wide range of topics, focusing on the combination of modulation constellation diagrams with the smith chart.



# WPW SCHOOL

## WIRELESS POWER COMMUNICATIONS BASED ON BACKSCATTER

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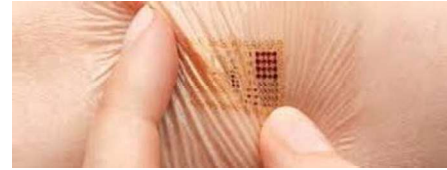
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Mobile communications: from 1G to 5G

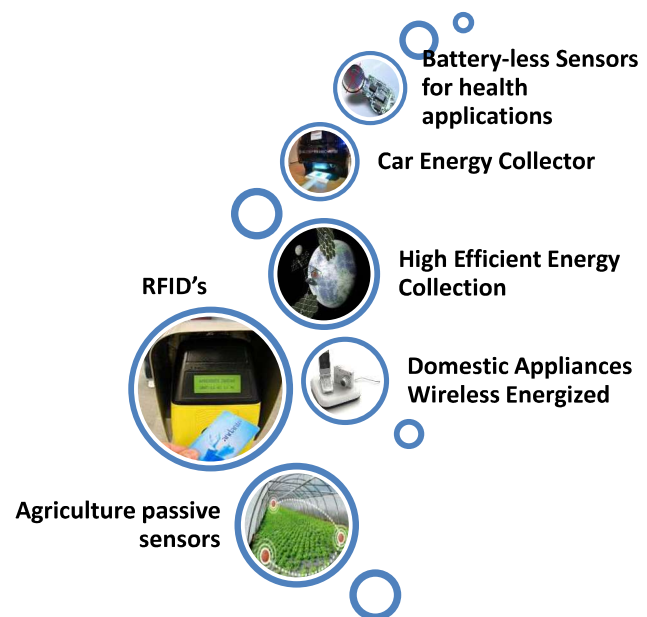
| Generation | Device                                                                              | Specifications                                        |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1G         |  | 1G<br>Frequency: 150-450 MHz<br>Data rate: 14.4 kbps  |
| 2G         |  | 2G<br>Frequency: 900-1800 MHz<br>Data rate: 14.4 kbps |
| 3G         |  | 3G<br>Frequency: 1900-2400 MHz<br>Data rate: 3.1 Mbps |
| 4G         |  | 4G<br>Frequency: 700-2600 MHz<br>Data rate: 100 Mbps  |
| 5G         |  | 5G<br>Frequency: 24-86 GHz<br>Data rate: 20 Gbps      |

People

People & Things

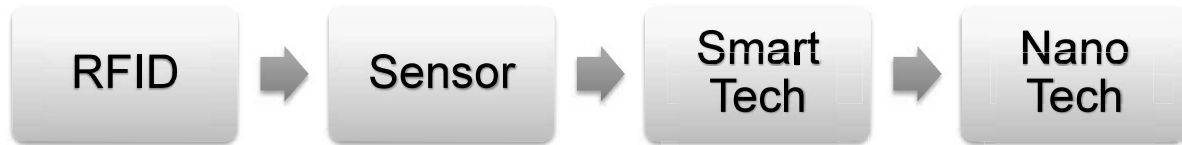
Smart grids, Connected house, Health, Smart car, Entertainment, Agriculture, City of the future

5G is about Communication, Storage, Processing...



## IoT

**Internet of Things** is a network of physical objects “things” embedded with electronics, software, sensors and network connectivity, which enable these objects to collect and exchange data.



To identify and track the data of things.

Real-time item traceability and addressability by RFIDs.

**Tagging things**

To collect and process the data to detect the changes in the physical status of things.

Sensors act as primary devices to collect data from environment.

**Feeling things**

To enhance the power of the network by devolving processing capabilities to different part of the network.

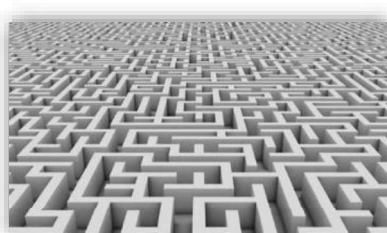
Embedded intelligence in devices through sensors has formed the network connection to the Internet.

**Thinking things**

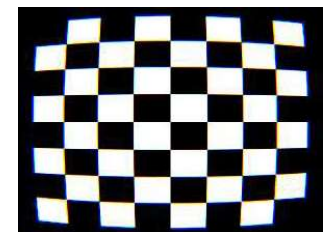
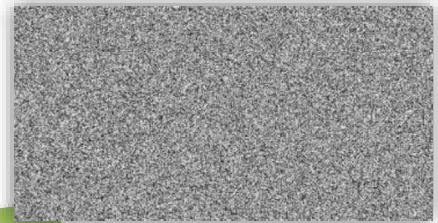
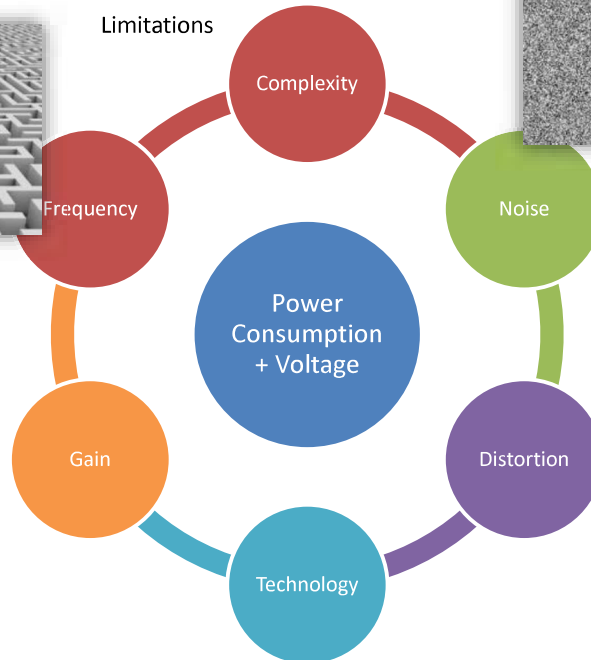
Nanotechnology has provoked the ability of smaller things to interact and connect within the things or smart devices.

**Shrinking things**

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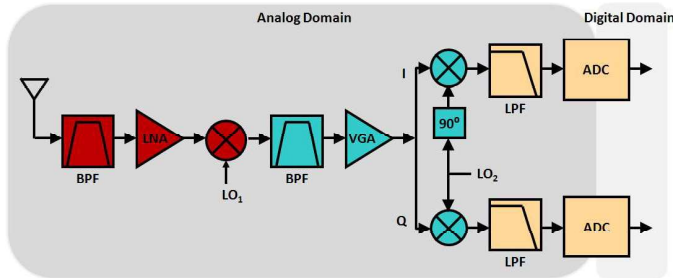


Limitations



## RF Receivers

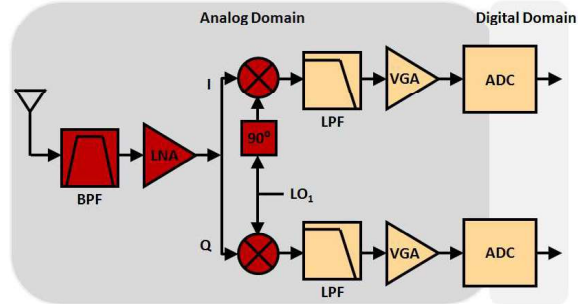
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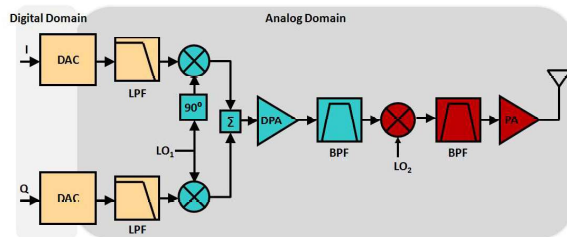
- Conversion to the digital domain at baseband where it can be processed
- Currently adopted in most radio receivers due to low cost components
- Full on-chip integration is concerned and its design to a specific channel → prevents the expansion of receiving band

## Zero-IF

- Signal is selected at RF by BPF, amplified and directly translated to DC
- Evident reduction in number of components → high level integration
- Components much more difficult to design  
DC offset, 2nd order IMD products generated around DC



## Transmitter

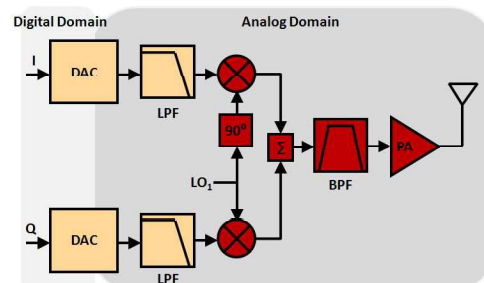


Super-Heterodyne Transmitter

- Digital baseband signals are converted and directly modulated to RF
- Reduced amount of circuitry that allows high level integration
- Carrier leakage, phase gain mismatch, and requires highly linear PA
- With careful design can be employed in SDR TX's

- Signal created in digital domain, modulated at IF, and up-converted
- I/Q modulator working at IF; Output spectrum is far away from LO
- Suffers from similar problems of the receiver case
- Multi-mode implementation is difficult

Direct-Conversion Transmitter



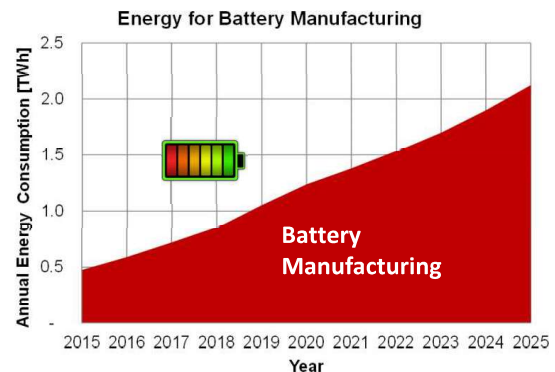
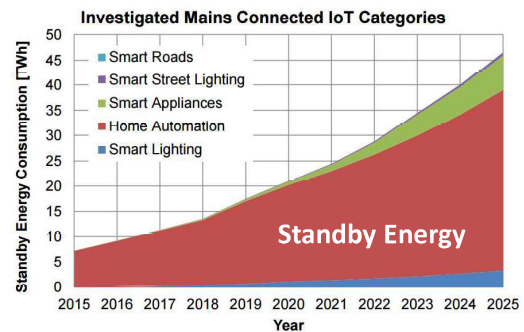
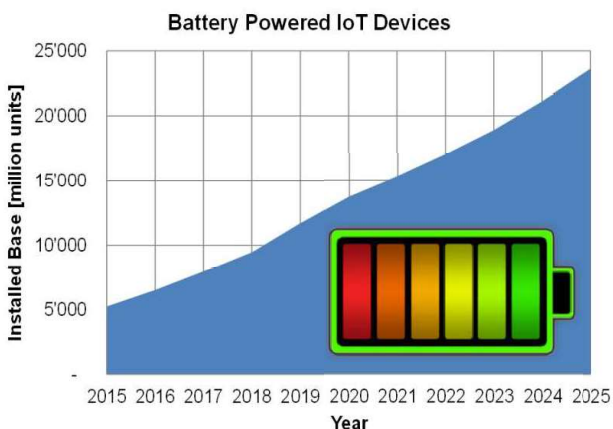


## Energy

These radio architectures are responsible for a large amount of energy consumption....



## Energy



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## Batteries

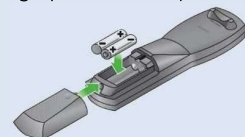
Batteries take **hundreds of years to decompose**, posing a serious threat to the public health and to the environment.



Case study



- ❖ Considering 4 Million habitual residences in Portugal (INE – Censos 2011) and assuming that:
  - ✓ 75% of them have a TV equipment
  - ✓ 40% have a cable TV Box
  - ✓ 30% have a Sound System
- ❖ We end up with an average of **5.8 Millions of remotes in Portugal**
- ❖ Assuming two batteries per remote and two battery changes per year we have a ...

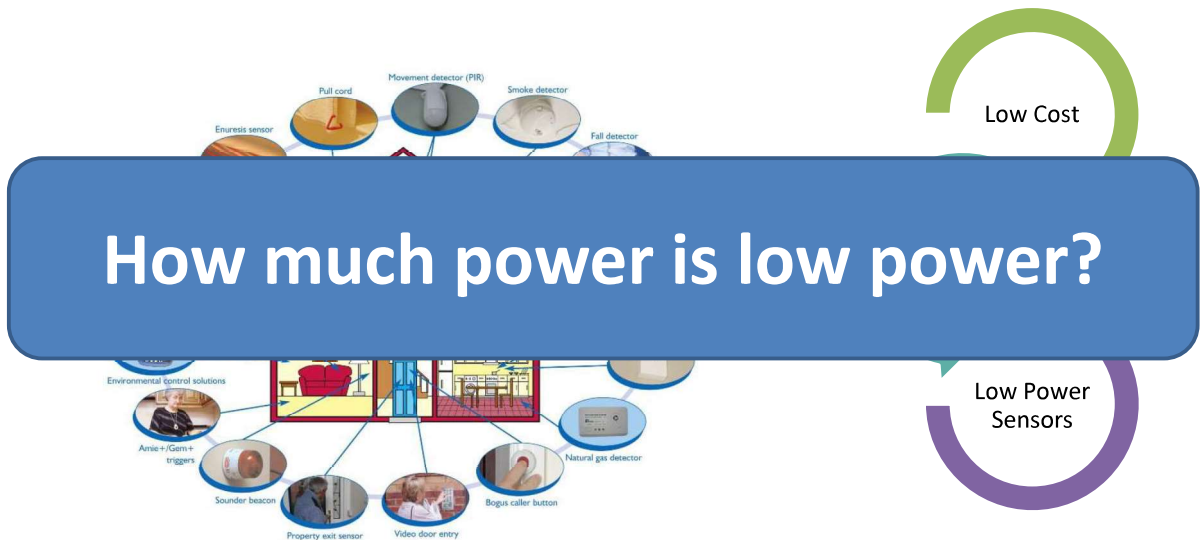


**total of 23.2 Millions batteries being wasted every year !!**



## Energy Consumption

## Solutions for IoT



## Market Solutions

Typical example from one of the top sellers of IoT Sensors

| Parameter                                         | Value      | Unit    |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|---------|
| Minimum supply voltage                            | 1.9        | V       |
| Temperature range                                 | -40 to +85 | °C      |
| Supply current in transmit @ -10dBm output power  | 9          | mA      |
| Supply current in receive mode                    | 12.5       | mA      |
| Supply current for $\mu$ -controller 4MHz @ 3volt | 1          | mA      |
| Supply current for ADC                            | 0.9        | mA      |
| Maximum transmit output power                     | 10         | dBm     |
| Data rate                                         | 50         | kbps    |
| Sensitivity                                       | -100       | dBm     |
| Supply current in power down mode                 | 2.5        | $\mu$ A |

SoC 1 - Sub <1GHz

Transmit – 17mW  
Receive – 24mW

- 2.4 GHz transceiver
  - 96 dBm sensitivity in *Bluetooth*® low energy mode
  - 1 Mbps, 2 Mbps supported data rates
  - TX power -20 to +4 dBm in 4 dB steps
  - Single-pin antenna interface
  - 5.3 mA peak current in TX (0 dBm)
  - 5.4 mA peak current in RX
  - RSSI (1 dB resolution)

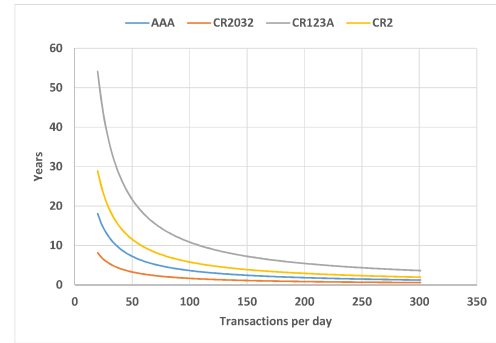
SoC 2 – UltraLow Power Bluetooth

Supply Voltage 1,7 to 3,6 V  
Transmit/Receive – 9mW

## Market Solutions



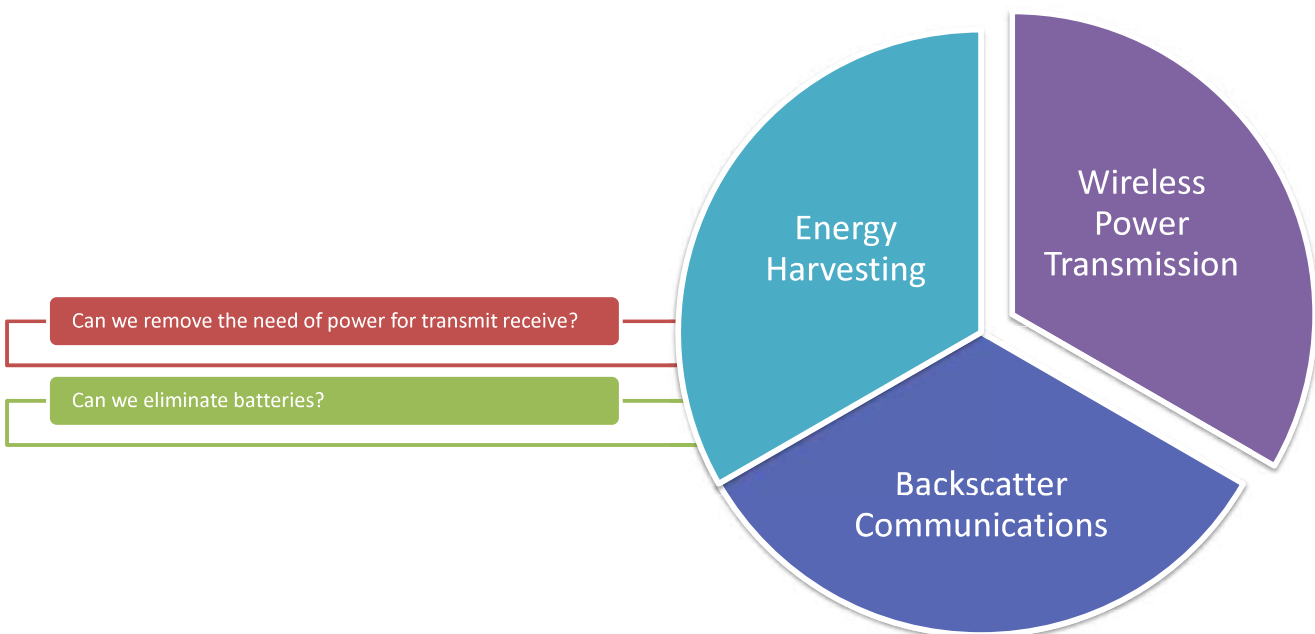
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|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|---------|
| Material | Alkaline | LiMnO <sub>2</sub> * | Lithium  | Lithium |
| Voltage  | 3V       | 3V                   | 3V       | 3V      |
| Capacity | 500 mAh  | 225 mAh              | 1500 mAh | 800 mAh |



Sensor Transmit, 1s duration per transaction  
Transmit – 17mW  
Receive – 24mW



## IoT Alternatives

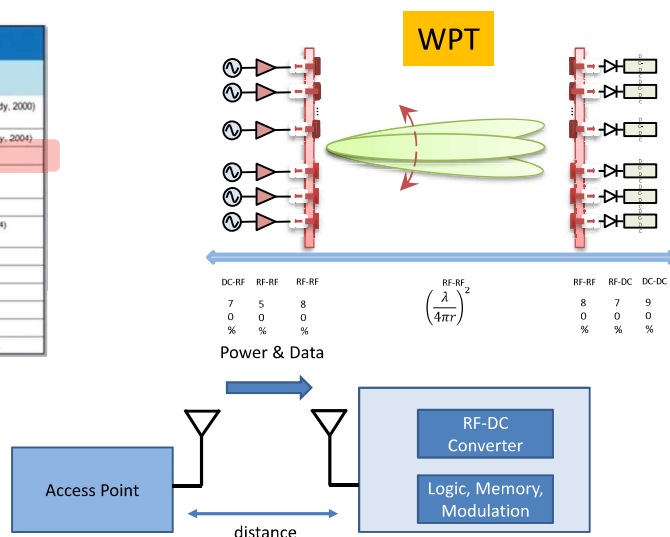


## Energy Harvesting vs Wireless Power Transmission

| Comparison of Power Density of Energy Harvesting Methods |                                                                                                   |                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Energy Source                                            | Power Density & Performance                                                                       | Source of Information                               |
| Acoustic Noise                                           | 0.003<br>0.96 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$ @ 750b<br>$\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$ @ 1000b               | (Rabeay, Ammer, Da Silva Jr, Patel, & Roundy, 2000) |
| Temperature Variation                                    | 10 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$                                                                      | (Roundy, Steingart, Fréchet, Wright, Rabeay, 2004)  |
| Ambient RF                                               | 1 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$                                                                       | (Yeatman, 2004)                                     |
| Ambient Light                                            | 100 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> (direct sun)<br>10 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ (illuminated office)          | Not Cited                                           |
| Thermoelectric                                           | 60 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$                                                                      | (Stevens, 1999)                                     |
| Vibration (micro generator)                              | 4 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$ (human motion - Hz)<br>800 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$ (machines - kHz) | (Misheson, Green, Yeatman, & Holmes, 2004)          |
| Vibrations (Piezoelectric)                               | 200 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^3$                                                                     | (Roundy, Wright, & Pister, 2002)                    |
| Airflow                                                  | 1 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$                                                                       | (Holmes, 2004)                                      |
| Push Buttons                                             | 50 $\mu\text{J}/\text{N}$                                                                         | (Paradiso & Feldmeier, 2001)                        |
| Shoe Inserts                                             | 330 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$                                                                     | (Shenck & Paradiso, 2001)                           |
| Hand Generators                                          | 30 W/kg                                                                                           | (Stamer & Paradiso, 2004)                           |
| Heel Strike                                              | 7 W/cm <sup>2</sup>                                                                               | (Yalcioğlu, 2002) (Shenck & Paradiso, 2001)         |



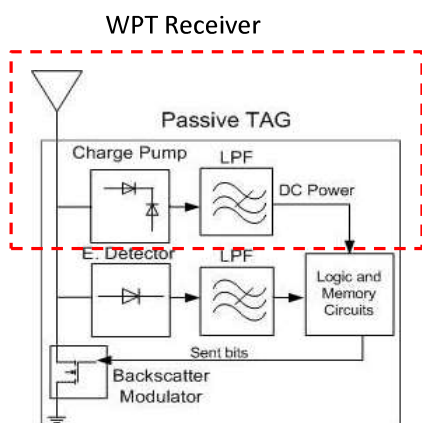
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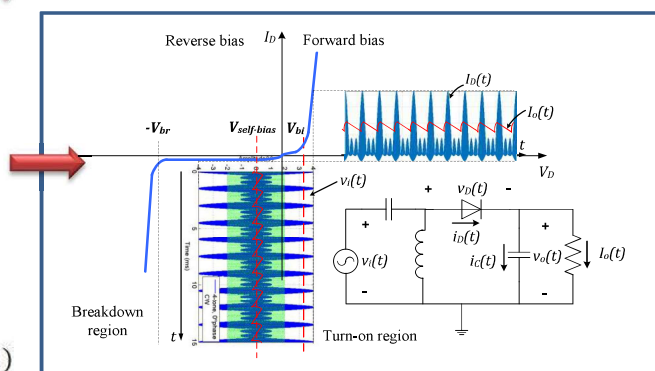
## Sensor RF-DC Converter



$$I_D = I_S (e^{\frac{qV_j}{\eta kT}} - 1) = I_S (e^{\frac{V_j}{\eta V_t}} - 1) = I_S (e^{\frac{V_D - R_S I_D}{\eta V_t}} - 1)$$

$$y_{out} = NL[x_{in}(f_0)] = \underbrace{Y(DC)}_{\text{Desired component}} + Y(f_0) + Y(2f_0) + Y(3f_0) + \dots + Y(nf_0)$$

### RF-DC conversion process in a diode detector



Rectifying devices exhibit a NON-ZERO turn-on voltage → a certain amount of energy is needed to overcome the turn-on voltage → low power level efficiency is degraded

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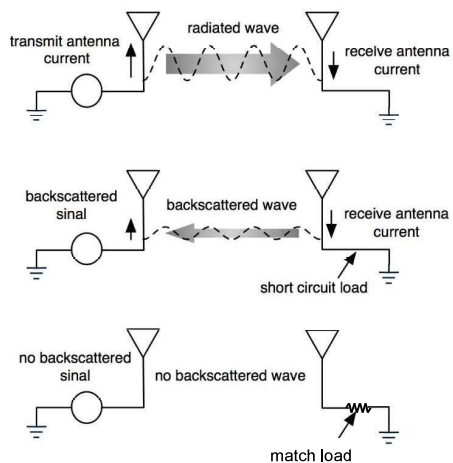
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## Backscatter



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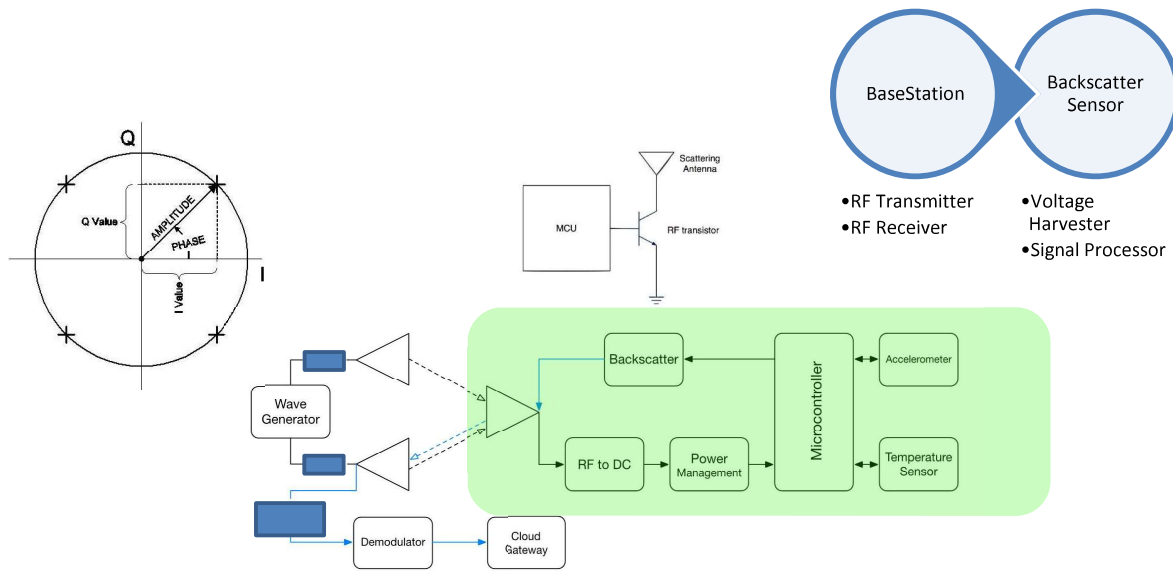


Backscatter communications has its roots in radars type approach

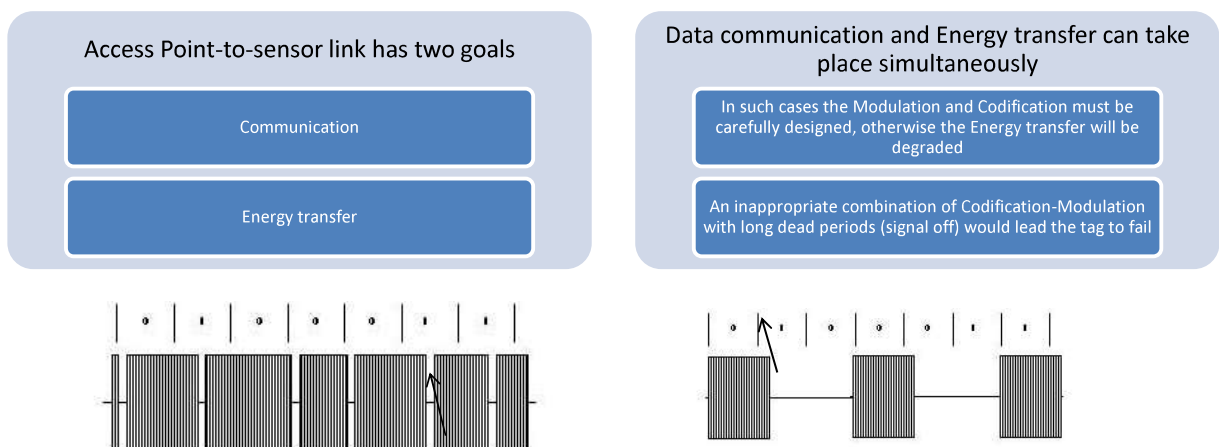
The RF-front end reflects part of an incoming electromagnetic wave back to the reader based on the information pattern

The backscatter reflection efficiency is maximized for antennas that are resonating with the incoming signal frequency.

## Backscatter



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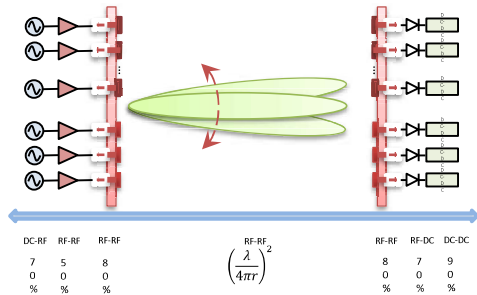


**Good choice:** signal is off for short periods of time

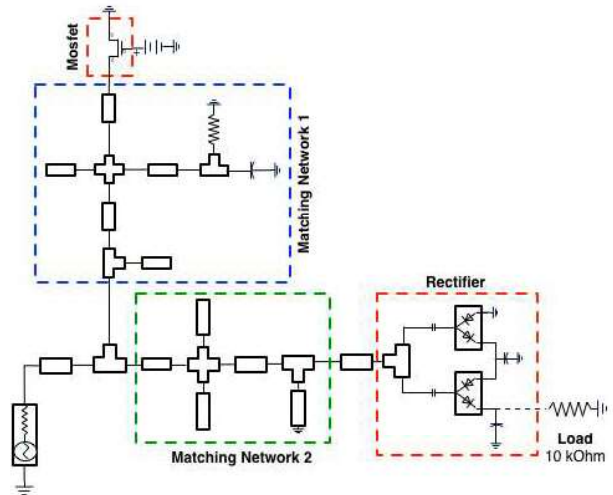
**Bad choice:** signal is off for long periods of time → At those periods tag has no available energy to operate

## Backscatter with WPT

Combining WPT and Backscatter using dual band sensors

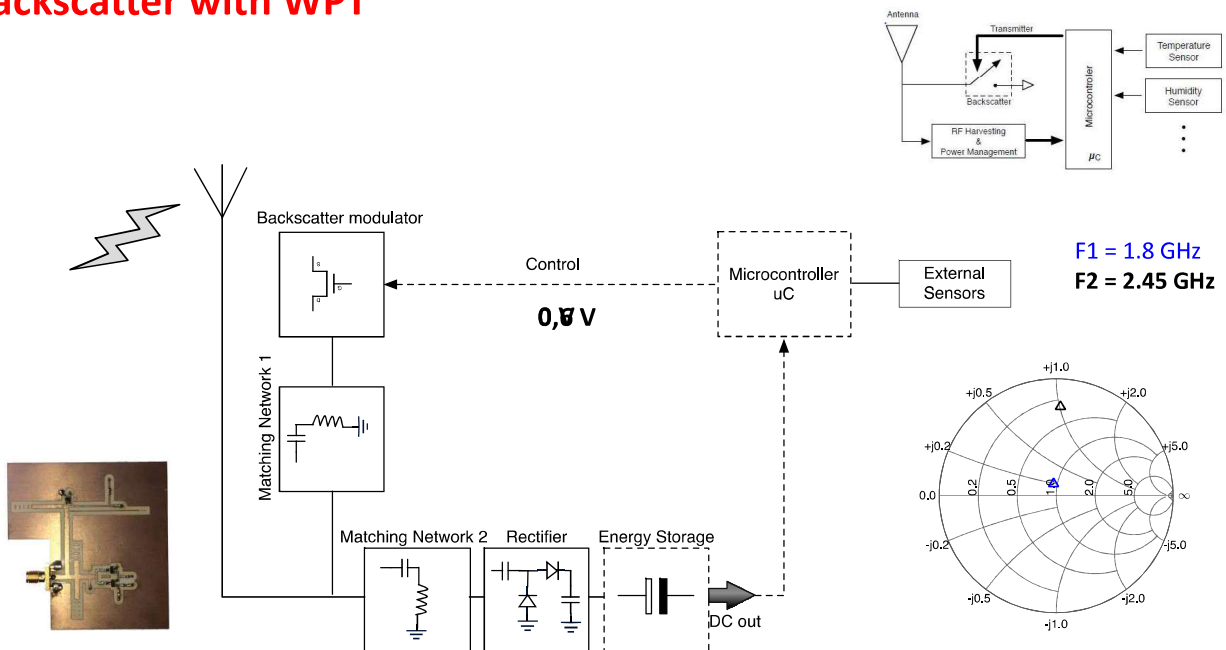


ONE frequency for WPT and OTHER for backscatter



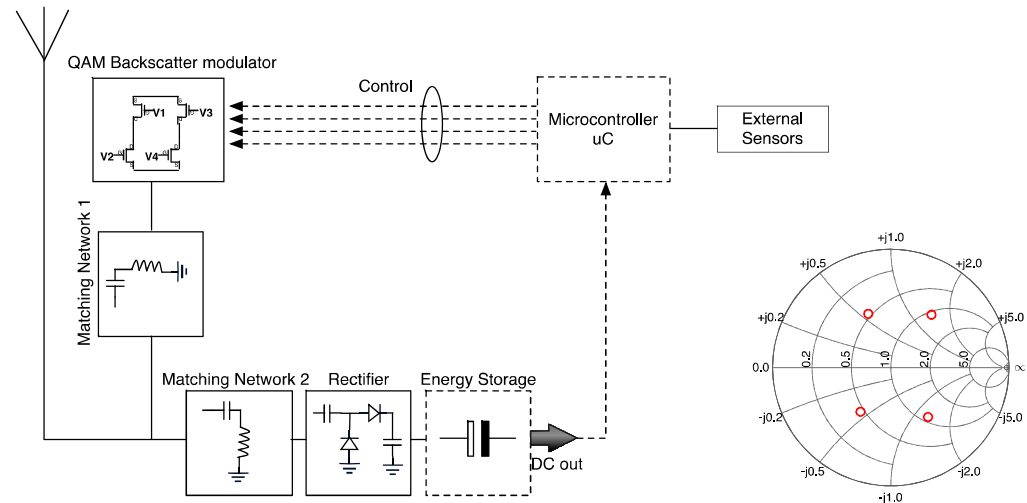
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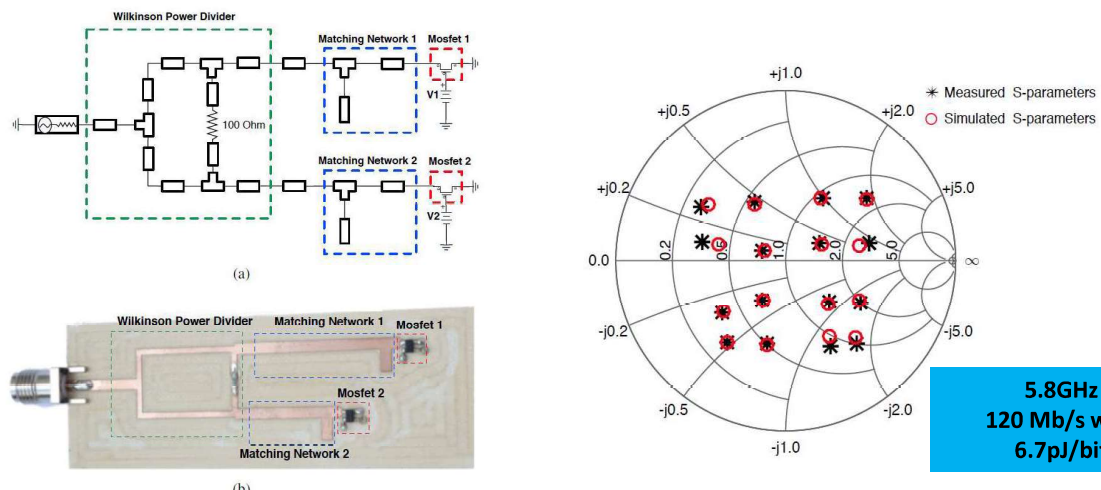
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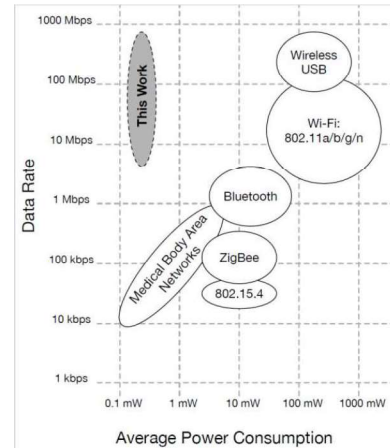
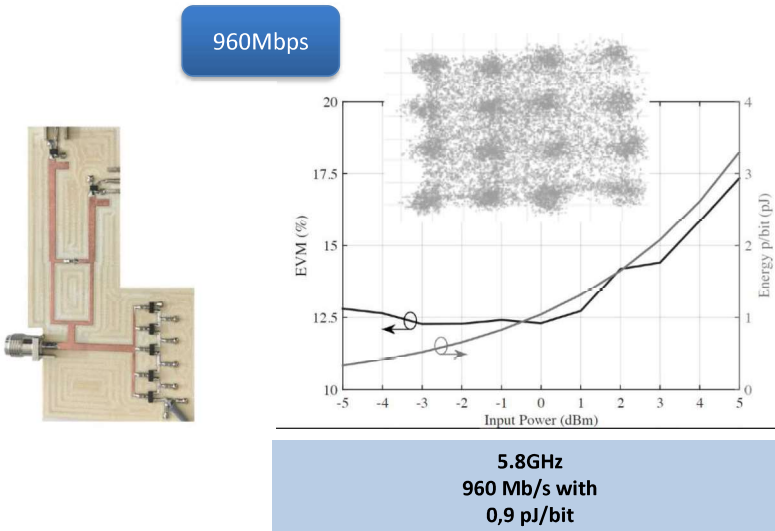
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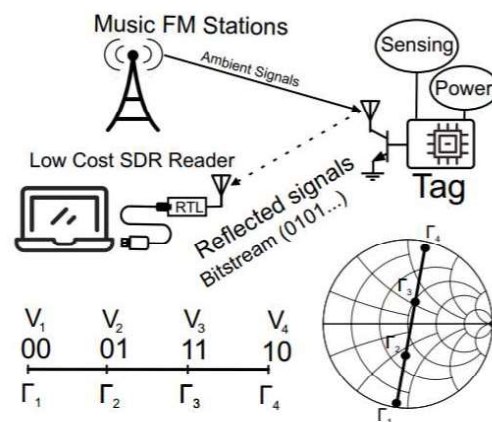
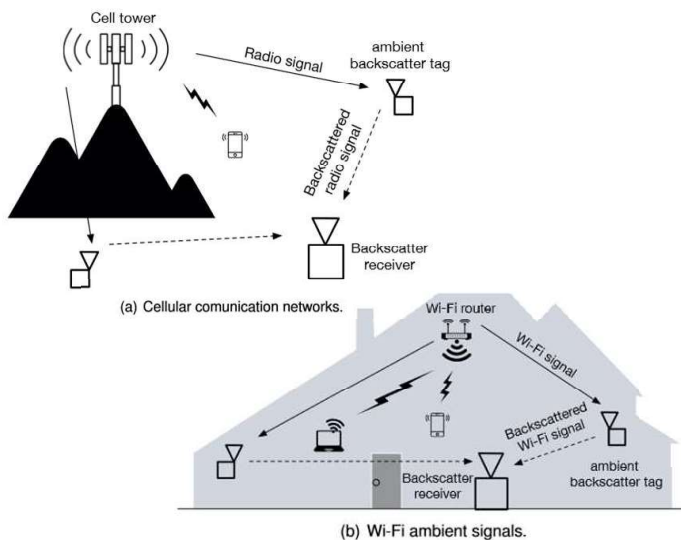


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## Backscatter Higher Order Modulation



## Ambient Backscatter

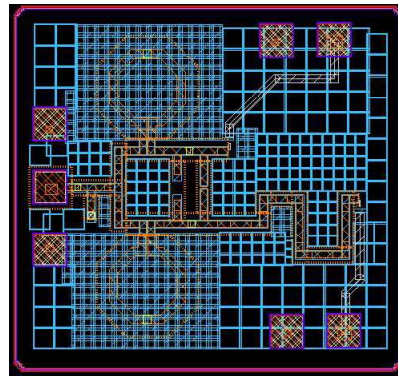


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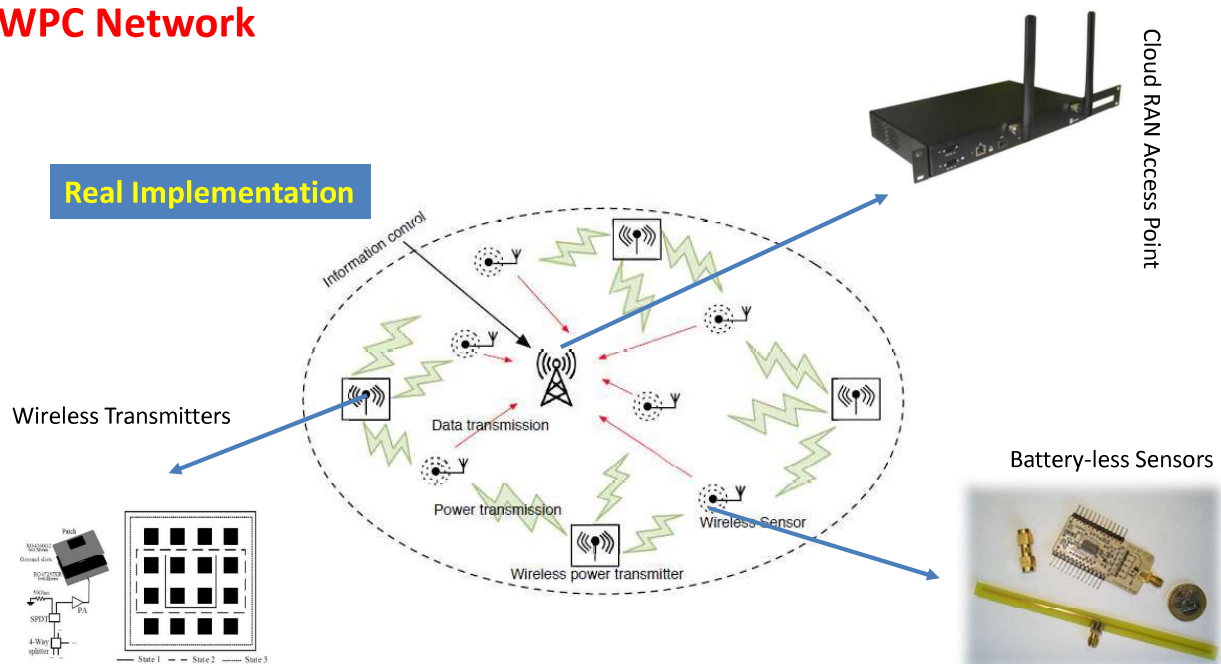
Design an MMIC chip for higher frequencies based on high order backscatter modulation.



SiGe BICMOS  
SG13S technology  
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## WPC Network

### Real Implementation





## Applications: Passive Remote Control

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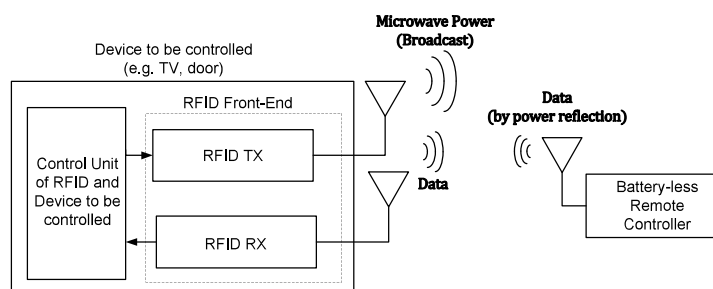
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### Batteryless Remote Control

A battery-free **Remote Control System** is proposed:

- ❖ The Remote requires no battery, based on passive backscatter technology
- ❖ Device to be Controlled wirelessly powers the remote control using radio waves
- ❖ The remote control send back information using Backscattering (Power reflection)



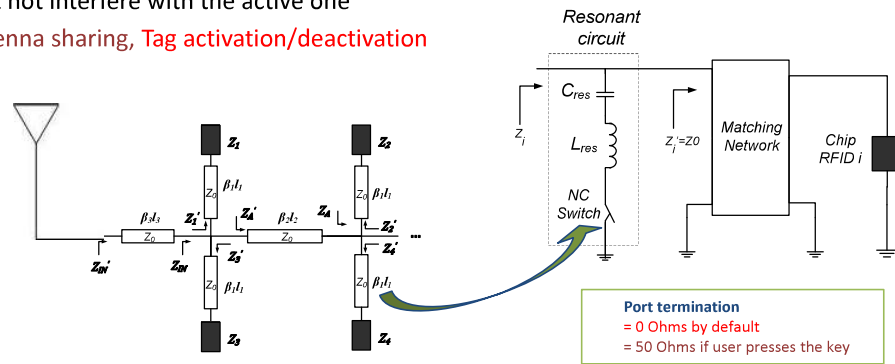
**Advantages compared to conventional IR technology:**

- ✓ **Elimination of costs** associated to battery maintenance and treatment of toxic waste
- ✓ **Long range and no line of sight communication** thanks to the use of radio waves
- ✓ **Cost-effective solution**, thanks to the use of a low-cost RFID technology (UHF EPC)

## Batteryless Remote Control Multi RFID

### Operating principle:

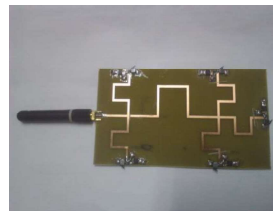
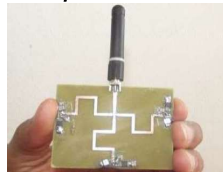
- N passive RFID tags associated to N keys/switchs
  - By default, no tag responds to reader (silent mode)
  - Once a key is pressed the respective tag is allowed to respond
  - Inactive tags must not interfere with the active one
- Two challenges: Antenna sharing, Tag activation/deactivation



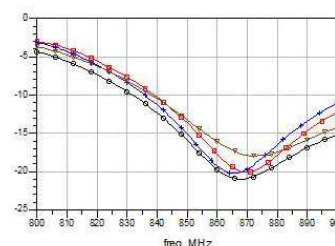
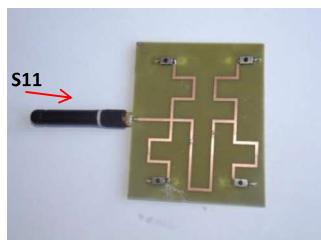
Tags interconnection (N-port Network)

## Batteryless Remote Control Multi RFID

Remote control prototypes: 3, 4 and 5 keys



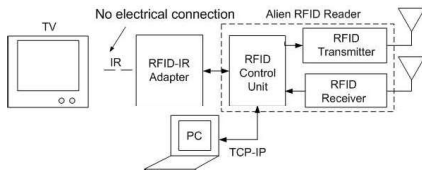
Return loss (S11) of 4-key prototype when each key is pressed by the user  
S11 - Return Loss (dB)



- o – key 1 pressed
- x – key 2 pressed
- – key 3 pressed
- < – key 4 pressed

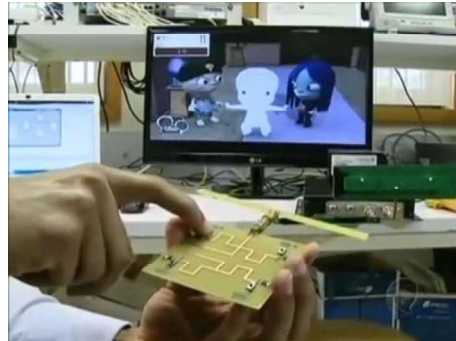
## Batteryless Remote Control Multi RFID

- ✓ The complete system has been successfully tested and validated
- ✓ The remote control system has been integrated in a TV device
- ✓ CH +, CH -, Vol + and Vol - functions were implemented.



The prototype is composed by:

- 1) TV
- 2) RFID reader and Computer
- 3) RFID-IR adapter



## Questions?



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# Inductive Resonant WPT: design equations for different operative regimes

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This contribution will focus on inductive resonant wireless power transfer. The link will be modelled as a two-port network and the performance will be described by using the three power gains usually adopted in the context of active networks. The design equations for achieving different operative regimes will be illustrated and discussed. In particular, two different regimes will be analysed. The first operative regime which will be illustrated aims at maximizing the performance of the link in terms of power gains. In this regard, possible approaches for achieving the best operating conditions will be presented. The second operative regime which will be presented adopts a frequency agile scheme and is well-suited for applications requiring a performance independent of the coupling coefficient. Some experimental data will be also reported for validation.



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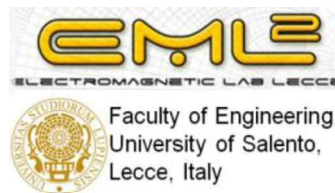
## Inductive Resonant WPT: Design Equations for Different Operative Regimes

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### Outline



#### ⇒ Introduction:

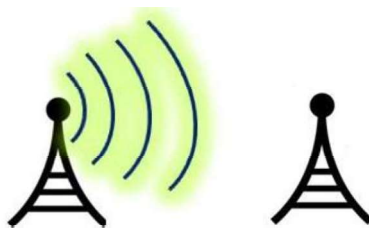
- ☐ Two-port network representation
- ☐ Variables of interest and figures of merit

#### ⇒ Non-radiative WPT based on inductive coupling, possible operative regimes:

- ☐ Maximizing the performance with a fixed load
- ☐ Operating with a variable load: the load-independent regime
- ☐ How to provide performance independent of the coupling coefficient

## *WPT* - transmission of electrical energy from a *power* source to an electrical load without a physical connection

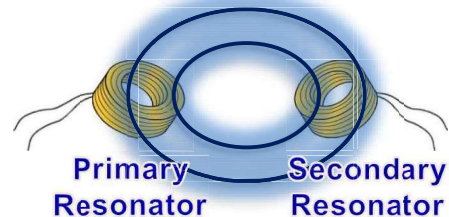
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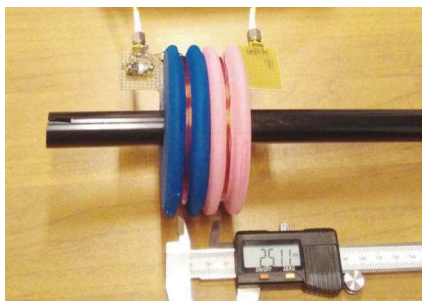
**Features:** Long transfer distance, High mobility  
**Key devices:** Electromagnetically coupled  
Antennas

### Near-field coupling

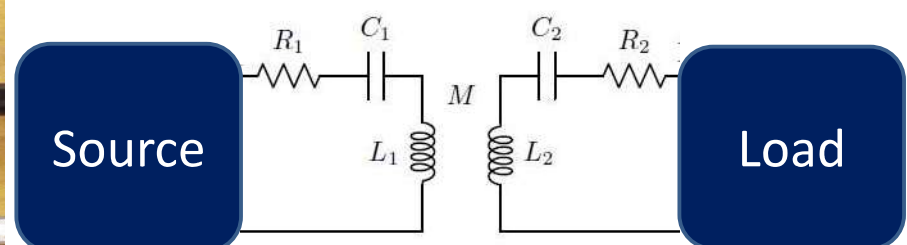


**Electric coupling:** Sensitive to distance variations, High interaction with the surrounding environment

**Magnetic coupling:** Low interaction with the surrounding environment, Short transfer distance



### Equivalent circuit



$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_i C_i}}$$

$$M = k\sqrt{L_1 L_2}$$

$$Q_i = \frac{\omega_0 L_i}{R_i}$$

$$u = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$$

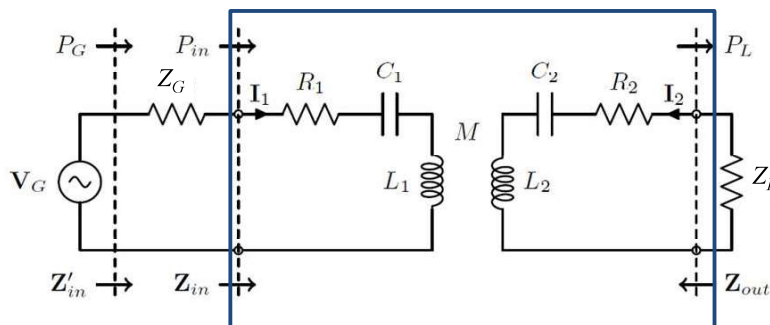
$$X_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{C_1}}$$

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$z_{ij} = r_{ij} + jx_{ij}, (i, j = 1, 2)$$



In order to introduce the variables of interest, it is assumed that a voltage generator is on port 1 and that a load  $Z_L$  is on port 2.

$$Z_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_1} = z_{11} - \frac{z_{12}z_{21}}{z_{22} + Z_L}$$

$$Z_{out} = \left. \frac{V_2}{I_2} \right|_{V_G=0} = z_{22} - \frac{z_{12}z_{21}}{z_{11} + Z_G}$$

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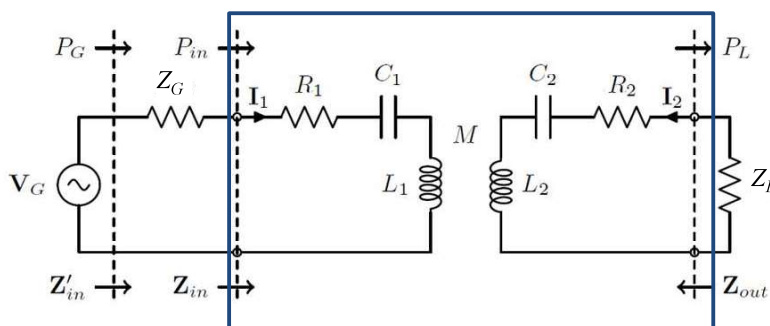
$$n = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}$$

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## IR WPT link: figures of merit



$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_i C_i}} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

With regard to the use of the two-port network for WPT applications, two are the main figures of merit:

- ➔ the active power delivered to the load (**PDL**);
- ➔ the power transfer efficiency (**PTE**),  $\eta$ , defined as:

$$\eta = \frac{P_L}{P_{in}}$$

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| Definition |                      | $\overline{Z}$                                                                 | $\overline{S}$                                          |
|------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| $G_P$      | $\frac{P_L}{P_{in}}$ | $\frac{R_L}{R_{in}} \left  \frac{z_{21}}{z_{22} + Z_L} \right ^2$              | $\frac{ \mathcal{S}_{21} ^2}{1 -  \mathcal{S}_{11} ^2}$ |
| $G_A$      | $\frac{P_A}{P_{AG}}$ | $\frac{R_G}{R_{out}} \left  \frac{z_{21}}{z_{11} + Z_G} \right ^2$             | $\frac{ \mathcal{S}_{21} ^2}{1 -  \mathcal{S}_{22} ^2}$ |
| $G_T$      | $\frac{P_L}{P_{AG}}$ | $\frac{4 z_{21} ^2 R_G R_L}{ (z_{11} + Z_G)(z_{22} + Z_L) - z_{12} z_{21} ^2}$ | $ \mathcal{S}_{21} ^2$                                  |

**Active input power** delivered from the generator to the network

$$P_{in} = \frac{1}{2} R_{in} |I_1|^2$$

**Active power on the load**

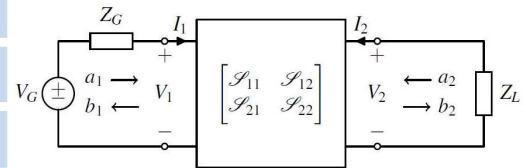
$$P_L = \frac{1}{2} R_L |I_2|^2$$

**Available input power**

$$P_{AG} = \frac{|V_G|^2}{8R_G}$$

**Maximum available load power**

$$P_A = \frac{|V_{th}|^2}{8R_{out}}$$

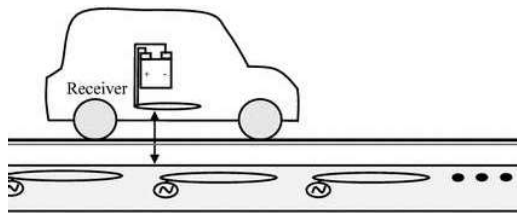


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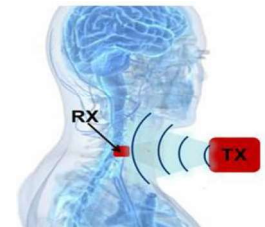
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Charging of electronic devices



Electric vehicles charging

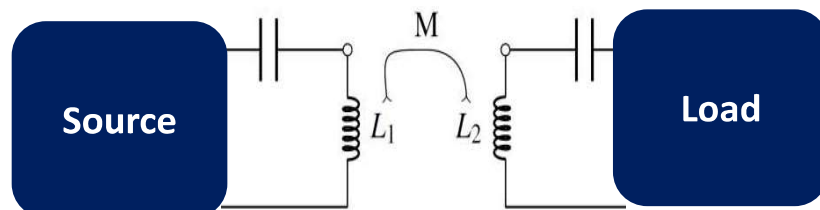


Medical implants



Medical and military devices

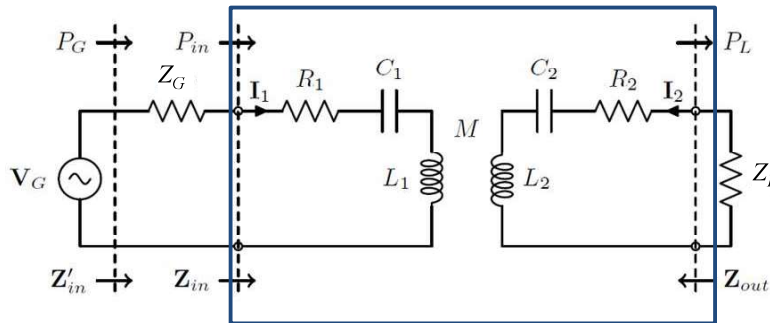
**For a given resonant-inductive WPT link different design goals lead to different optimal operative schemes**



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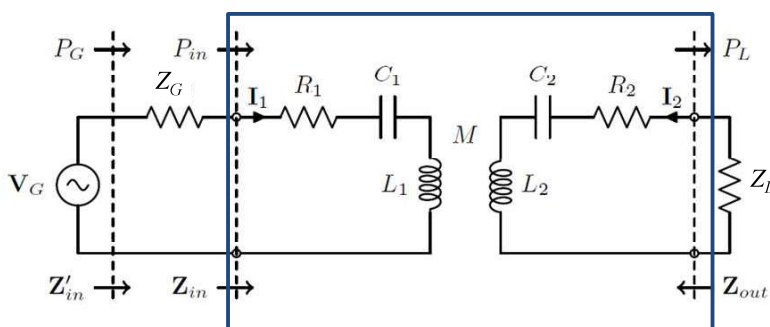
$$M = k\sqrt{L_1 L_2}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_i C_i}} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

**CASE 1:** the link is given and the goal is to find the optimal terminating impedances for maximizing the performance

**CASE 2:** the load is variable and it is necessary to guarantee a constant output voltage (consider the case where the link is used to recharge a battery)

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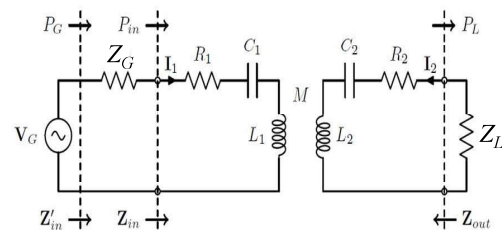
|       | Definition           | General expression                                                             |
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| $G_A$ | $\frac{P_A}{P_{AG}}$ | $\frac{R_G}{R_{out}} \left  \frac{z_{21}}{z_{11} + Z_G} \right ^2$             |
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- Power Gain: it is independent of  $Z_G$
- Available Gain: it is independent of  $Z_L$
- Transducer Gain: it depends on both  $Z_G$  and  $Z_L$  and it is maximized for  $Z_G = Z_{in}^*$  and  $Z_L = Z_{out}^*$ .

**The biconjugate match has to be realized for maximizing all the three gains:**



$Z_G$  should be complex conjugate to  $Z_{in}$  when port 2 is terminated on  $Z_L$   
 $Z_L$  should be complex conjugate to  $Z_{out}$  when port 1 is terminated on  $Z_G$



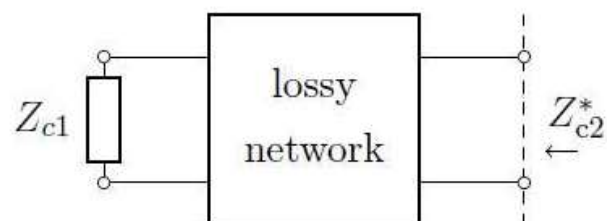
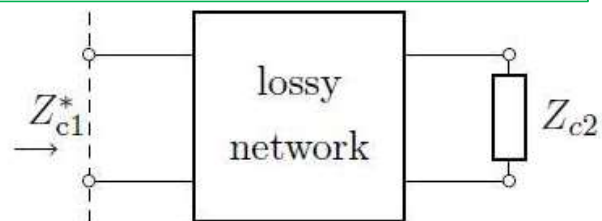
**The ultimate gain is realized by the conjugate image impedances of the network**

$$Z_{c1} = R_{c1} + jX_{c1}$$

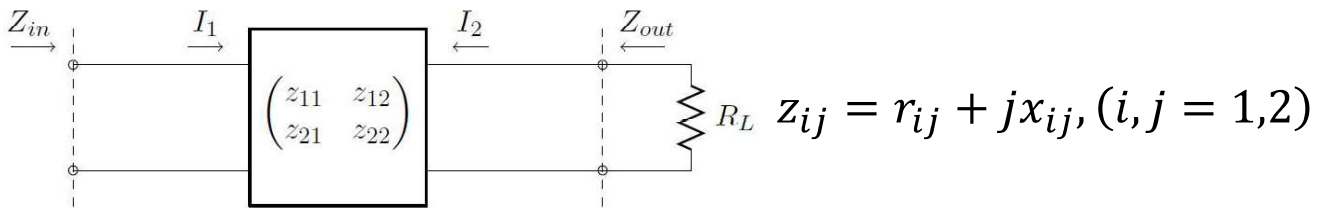
$$Z_{c2} = R_{c2} + jX_{c2}$$

The conjugate image impedances are an intrinsic property of the network

When port 2 is terminated on  $Z_{c2}$  the input impedance seen from port 1 is  $Z_{c1}^*$ .  
 Similarly, when port 1 is terminated on  $Z_{c1}$  the input impedance seen from port 2 is  $Z_{c2}^*$ .



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$$\chi^2 = \frac{x_{12}^2}{r_{11}r_{22}}$$

$$\xi^2 = \frac{r_{12}^2}{r_{11}r_{22}}$$

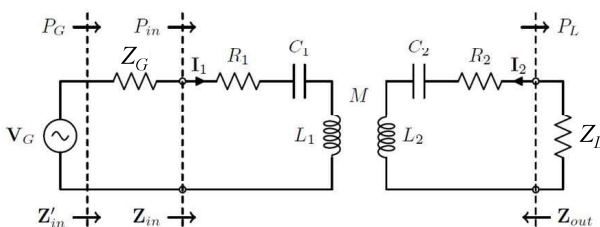
$$\theta_r = \sqrt{1 + \chi^2} \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}$$

$$\theta_x = \chi \xi.$$

$$Z_{c1} = R_{c1} + jX_{c1} = r_{11}(\theta_r + j\theta_x) - jx_{11}$$

$$Z_{c2} = R_{c2} + jX_{c2} = r_{22}(\theta_r + j\theta_x) - jx_{22}$$

Roberts, S.: Conjugate-image impedances, in Proc. of the IRE, 1946, 198–204.



$$M = k\sqrt{L_1L_2}$$

$$Q_1 = \frac{\omega_0 L_1}{R_1}$$

$$Q_2 = \frac{\omega_0 L_2}{R_2}$$

$$u = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$$

$$X_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{C_1}}$$

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_{norm} = \frac{\mathbf{Z}}{X_0} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{Q_1} + ju \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) & ju \frac{k}{n} \\ ju \frac{k}{n} & \frac{1}{n^2 Q_2} + j \frac{u}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xi = \theta_x = 0; \chi^2 = \frac{k^2}{\left[\frac{1}{Q_1} + ju \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right)\right] \left[\frac{1}{Q_2} + ju \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right)\right]}; \theta_r = \sqrt{1 + \chi^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_{11} &= \frac{1}{Q_1} + ju \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) \\ z_{21} &= z_{12} = ju \frac{k}{n} \\ z_{22} &= \frac{1}{n^2 Q_2} + j \frac{u}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$Z_{c1} = R_{c1} + jX_{c1} = r_{11}(\theta_r + j\theta_x) - jx_{11}$$

$$Z_{c2} = R_{c2} + jX_{c2} = r_{22}(\theta_r + j\theta_x) - jx_{22}$$

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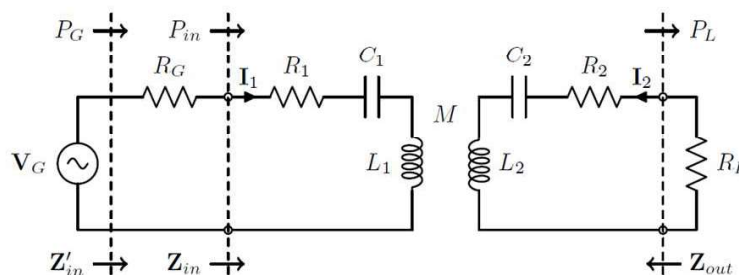
$$\begin{aligned} x_{11} &= u \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) \\ x_{22} &= \frac{u}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{u^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$



when  $u=1$  (i.e., at the frequency of resonance) the conjugate image impedances are real quantities: **resistive values of  $Z_G$  and  $Z_L$  are necessary for maximizing all the three gains**

When  $u \neq 1$  the imaginary parts of the optimal values of  $Z_G$  and  $Z_L$  are the ones necessary for compensating the reactive parts of  $z_{11}$  and  $z_{22}$ : **the link has to be resonant for maximizing all the gains!**

**Optimal terminating impedances for  $u=1$**

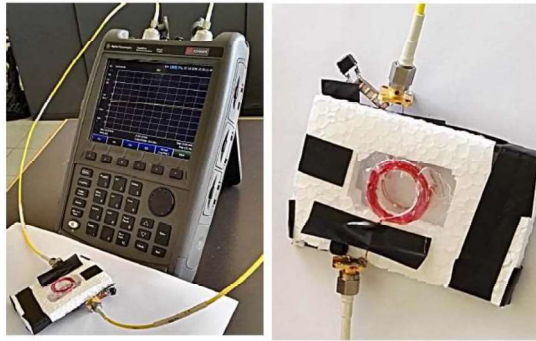


$$Z_G = R_G = Z_{c1} = \frac{X_0}{Q_1} \sqrt{1 + k^2 Q_1 Q_2}$$

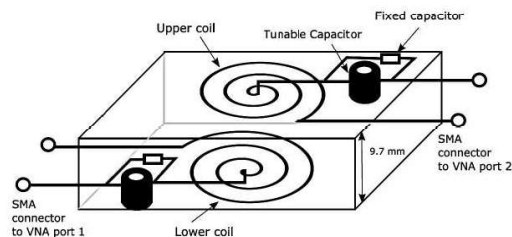
$$Z_L = R_L = Z_{c2} = \frac{X_0}{n^2 Q_2} \sqrt{1 + k^2 Q_1 Q_2}$$

**All the gains are maximized and assume the same value**

$$G_P = G_A = G_T = G_M = \frac{k^2 Q_1 Q_2}{\left|1 + \sqrt{1 + k^2 Q_1 Q_2}\right|^2} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + k^2 Q_1 Q_2} - 1}{\sqrt{1 + k^2 Q_1 Q_2} + 1}$$



The primary coil has  $N_1 = 6$  turns and an inner diameter of about 18.3 mm, the secondary coil has  $N_2 = 2$  turns and an inner diameter of about 18 mm. The two coils are at a distance of 9.7 mm



|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Resonant frequency $f_0$ (MHz) | 13.65  |
| $R_G$ (m $\Omega$ )            | 0      |
| $V_G$ (V)                      | 1      |
| $R_P$ ( $\Omega$ )             | 2.05   |
| $R_S$ ( $\Omega$ )             | 1.14   |
| $L_P$ ( $\mu$ H)               | 1.1    |
| $L_S$ ( $\mu$ H)               | 0.43   |
| $M$ (nH)                       | 61.9   |
| $k$                            | 0.09   |
| $n$                            | 1.6    |
| $Q_P$                          | 46     |
| $Q_S$                          | 32.4   |
| $C_1$ (pF)                     | 123.59 |
| $C_2$ (pF)                     | 316.16 |

From analytical formulas

$$Z_{c1} = 7.37\Omega, Z_{c2} = 4.09\Omega, G_M = 0.567$$

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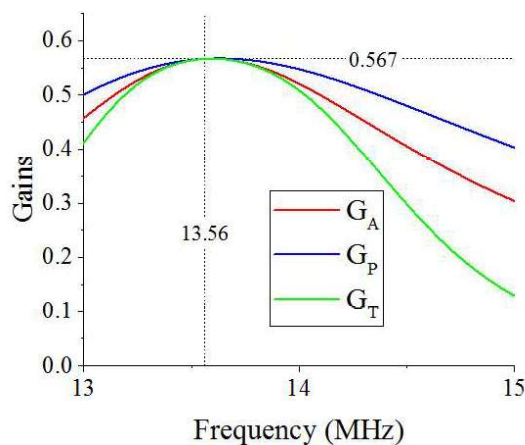
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Circuitual simulations

$$R_G = Z_{c1} = 7.37\Omega$$

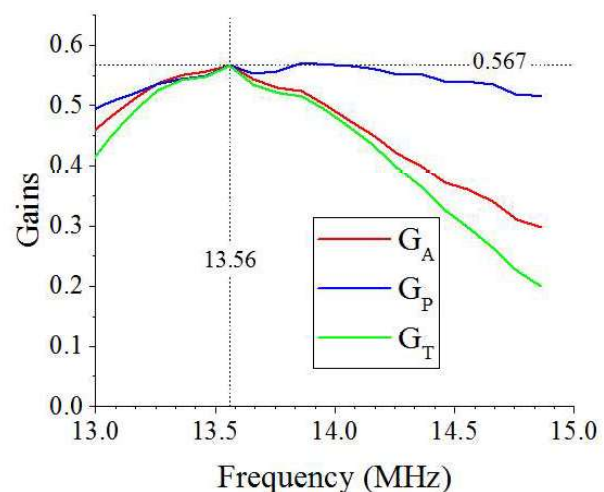
$$R_L = Z_{c2} = 4.09\Omega$$



Results obtained from the measured scattering parameters  
Gains realized for

$$R_G = Z_{c1} = 7.37\Omega$$

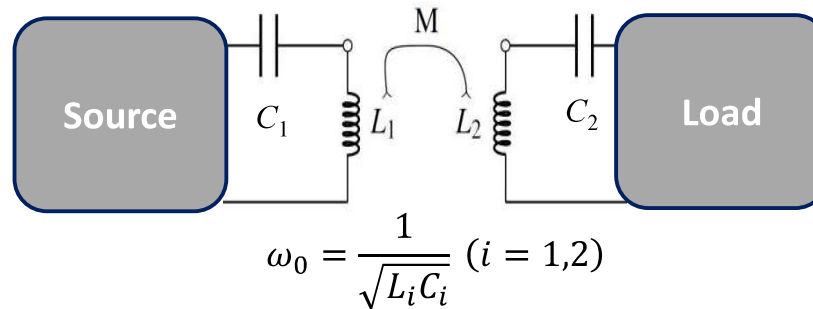
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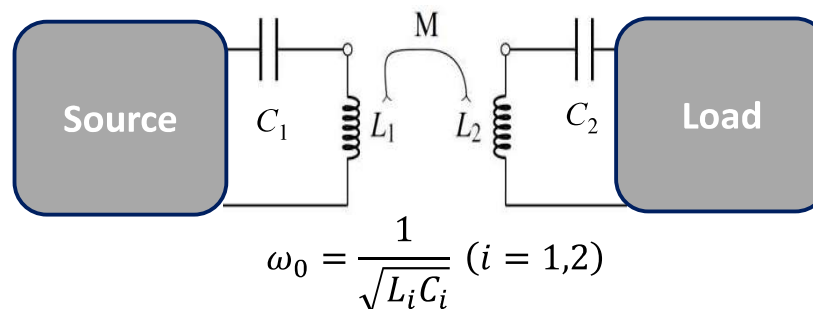




**CASE 1:** the link is given and the goal is to find the optimal terminating impedances for maximizing the performance

**CASE 2:** the load is variable and it is necessary to guarantee a constant output voltage (consider the case where the link is used to recharge a battery)

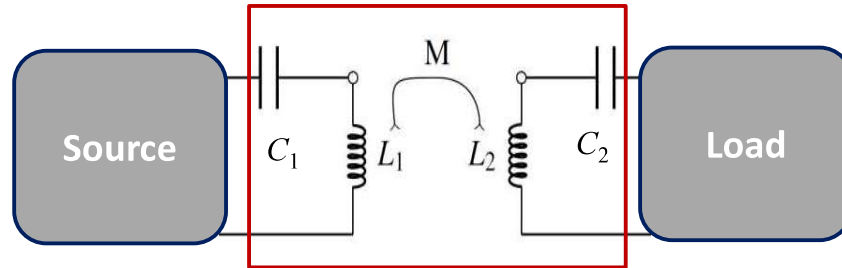
**CASE 3:** the load is given and the goal is to find the operating conditions for realizing performance independent of the coupling coefficient



**CASE 2:** How to realize a load-independent voltage gain



**Goal:** find the optimal operating frequency to guarantee a load-independent voltage gain



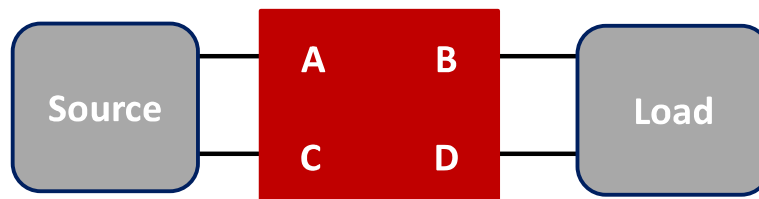
The ABCD matrix is used to represent the link

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= AV_2 - BI_2 \\ I_1 &= CV_2 - DI_2 \end{aligned}$$

Depending on the source (voltage or current source), two different voltage gains can be introduced

$$\text{Voltage source: } G_{VV} = \frac{V_2}{V_1} = \frac{R_L}{AR_L + B}$$

$$\text{Current source: } G_{VI} = \frac{V_2}{I_1} = \frac{R_L}{CR_L + D}$$



Conditions for a generic two-port network

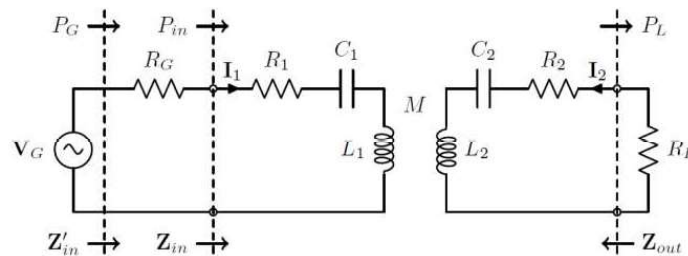
$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= AV_2 - BI_2 \\ I_1 &= CV_2 - DI_2 \end{aligned}$$

Condition for a load-independent Voltage Controlled Voltage Gain (VCG)

$$\text{Voltage source: } G_{VV} = \frac{V_2}{V_1} = \frac{R_L}{AR_L + B} \quad \Rightarrow \quad G_{VV} = \frac{1}{A} \quad \text{for } B = 0$$

Condition for a load-independent Current Controlled Voltage Gain (CCVG)

$$\text{Current source: } G_{VI} = \frac{V_2}{I_1} = \frac{R_L}{CR_L + D} \quad \Rightarrow \quad G_{VI} = \frac{1}{C} \quad \text{for } D = 0$$



STEP 1: calculation of the frequency/ies for nullifying the ABCD parameters in the lossless case (otherwise complex frequency/ies may be obtained)

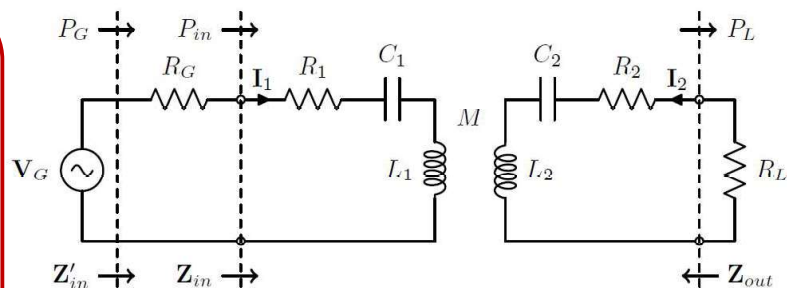
Step 2: Feasibility check for the lossy case by inspection of the variables of interest in the lossy case

$$M = k\sqrt{L_1 L_2}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_i C_i}} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

$$u = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$$

Lossless case:  $R_1 = R_2 = 0$



In the lossless case the ABCD parameters are

$$ABCD = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n(u^2 - 1)}{k u^2} & -\frac{j(k u^2 - u^2 + 1)(k u^2 + u^2 - 1)}{k n u^3} \\ -\frac{j n}{k u} & \frac{(u - 1)(u + 1)}{k n u^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Condition for a load-independent Voltage Controlled Voltage Gain (VCVG)

$$B = -\frac{j(ku^2 - u^2 + 1)(ku^2 + u^2 - 1)}{knu^3} = 0 \Rightarrow u_{L,H} = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 \pm k}}$$

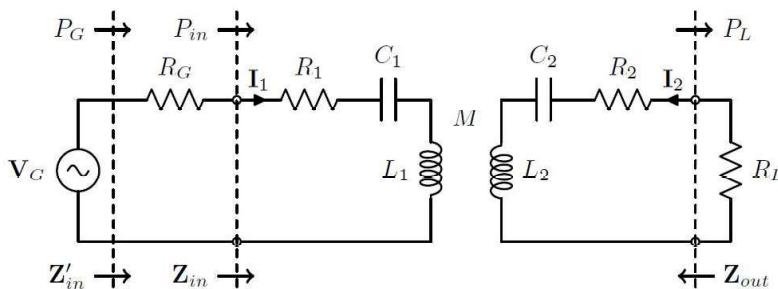
$$V_2(u = u_L) = -\frac{V_1}{n}$$

$$V_2(u = u_H) = \frac{V_1}{n}$$

## Condition for a load-independent Current Controlled Voltage Gain (CCVG)

$$D = \frac{(u - 1)(u + 1)}{knu^2} = 0 \Rightarrow u = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} = 1$$

$$V_2(u = 1) = -jkI_1 \sqrt{\frac{L_2}{C_1}} = -j \frac{k}{n\omega_0} I_1$$



$$M = k\sqrt{L_1 L_2}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_i C_i}} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

$$u = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}, \quad n = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}, \quad X_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{C_1}}$$

Lossy case:  $(R_1, R_2) \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{n(u^2 - 1)}{k u^2} - j \frac{n}{k u Q_P} \\ B &= \frac{c(u^2 - 1)}{k n u^2 d} + j \frac{d[(1 - k^2)u^4 - 2u^2 + 1] - u^2}{k n u^3 d} \\ C &= -\frac{j n}{k u} \\ D &= \frac{(u^2 - 1)}{k n u^2} - j \frac{1}{k n u Q_S} \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_P = \frac{X_0}{R_1}$$

Quality factor of the primary resonator

$$Q_S = n^2 \frac{X_0}{R_2}$$

Quality factor of the secondary resonator

$$Q_L = n^2 \frac{X_0}{R_L}$$

Quality factor of the load

In the lossless case it has been shown that

**A VCVG scheme is obtained at**

$$u_{L,H} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 \pm k}}$$

In the lossy case the expressions of the output voltage at these frequencies are

$$V_2(u = u_L) = - \frac{(knQ_1Q_2)/Q_L}{k(Q_1 + Q_2) + \frac{n^2}{Q_L}(kQ_1Q_2 + jQ_1\sqrt{1+k}) - j\sqrt{1+k}} V_1$$

$$V_2(u = u_H) = \frac{(knQ_1Q_2)/Q_L}{k(Q_1 + Q_2) + \frac{n^2}{Q_L}(kQ_1Q_2 - jQ_1\sqrt{1-k}) - j\sqrt{1-k}} V_1$$

$$Q_L = n^2 \frac{L_1 \omega_0}{R_L}$$

In the lossless case it has been shown that

**A CCVG scheme is obtained at**

$$u_0 = 1$$

In the lossy case the expressions of the output voltage at this frequency is

$$V_2(u = 1) = j \frac{kL_1\omega_0}{n \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n^2 Q_1 R_L} \right)} I_1$$

**In the general case the output voltage depends on  $R_L$ !**



If the quality factors satisfy the condition

$$n^2 \frac{Q_i}{Q_L} \gg 1, \quad i = 1, 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad R_L \gg R_1, \quad R_L \gg \frac{R_2}{n^2}$$

the output voltage assumes the following asymptotic expressions:

$$V_2(u = u_L) = -\frac{1}{n \left( 1 + j \frac{\sqrt{1+k}}{kQ_1} \right)} V_1$$

$$V_2(u = u_H) = \frac{1}{n \left( 1 - j \frac{\sqrt{1-k}}{kQ_1} \right)} V_1$$

$$V_2(u = 1) = j \frac{kL_1 \omega_0}{n} I_1$$

In this case a load-independent output voltage is obtained: both the VCVG and the CCVG schemes are feasible if the load is above a threshold value which depends on the quality factors of the link

For a realistic link a load-independent voltage gain can be realized only for values of the load satisfying the condition

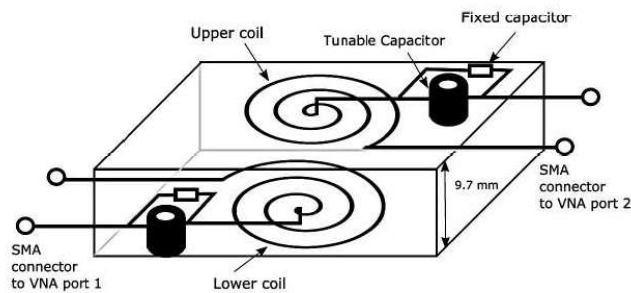
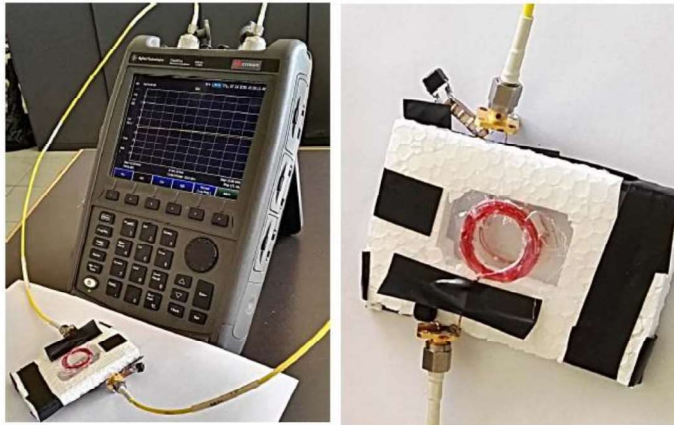
$$n \frac{Q_i}{Q_L} \gg 1, \quad i = 1, 2$$

In most WPT links the inductances  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  assume the same value ( $n=1$ ) and the resistances modelling the inductor losses are of the order of a few ohms or smaller



values of  $R_L$  of the order of a few tens of ohms are sufficient to make feasible the VCVG and CCVG schemes.

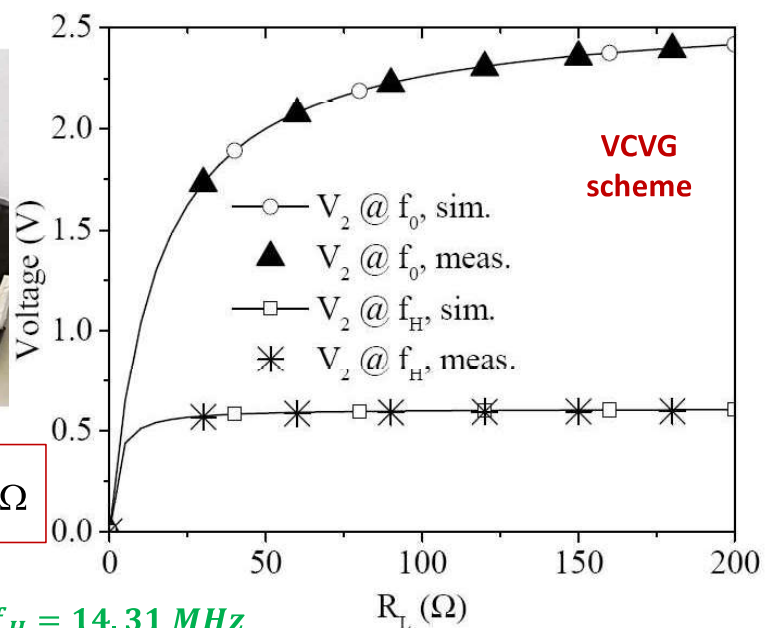
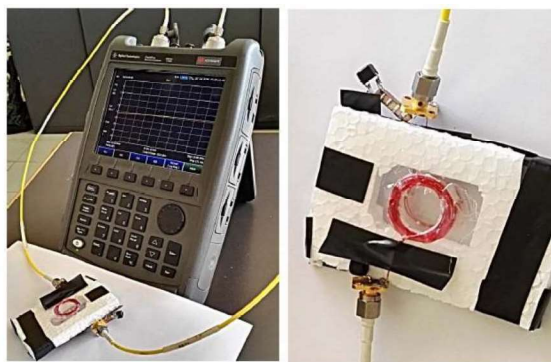
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| $V_1$ | $u_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-k}}$ $u_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+k}}$ $V_{2L} = -\frac{1}{n \left( 1 + j \frac{\sqrt{1+k}}{kQ_P} \right)} V_1$ $V_{2H} = \frac{1}{n \left( 1 - j \frac{\sqrt{1-k}}{kQ_P} \right)} V_1$ <p>VCVG for <math>\frac{n r_L}{r_i} \gg 1</math></p> |
| $I_1$ | $u = 1$ $V_2 = j \frac{k X_P}{n} I_1$ <p>CCVG for <math>\frac{n r_L}{r_i} \gg 1</math></p>                                                                                                                                                                      |



| Parameter                         | experiment<br>in Fig. 7 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Resonant frequency<br>$f_0$ (MHz) | 13.65                   |
| $R_G$ (m $\Omega$ )               | 0                       |
| $V_G$ (V)                         | 1                       |
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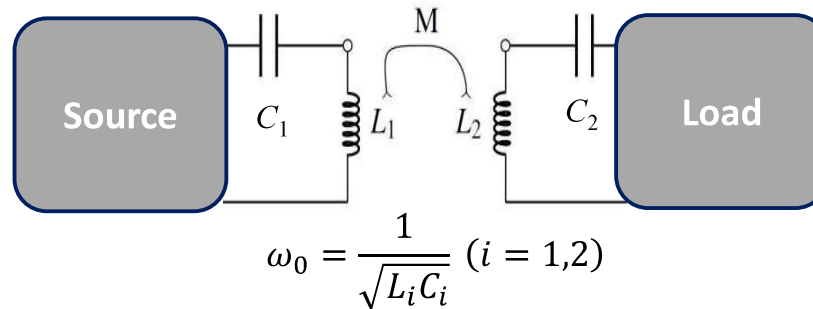


$$R_L \gg nR_1 = 3.3\Omega, \quad R_L \gg \frac{R_2}{n} = 0.7\Omega$$

$$f_0 = 13.65 \text{ MHz}, f_L = 13.07 \text{ MHz}, f_H = 14.31 \text{ MHz}$$

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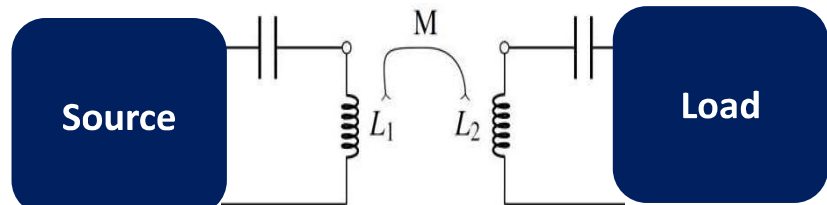


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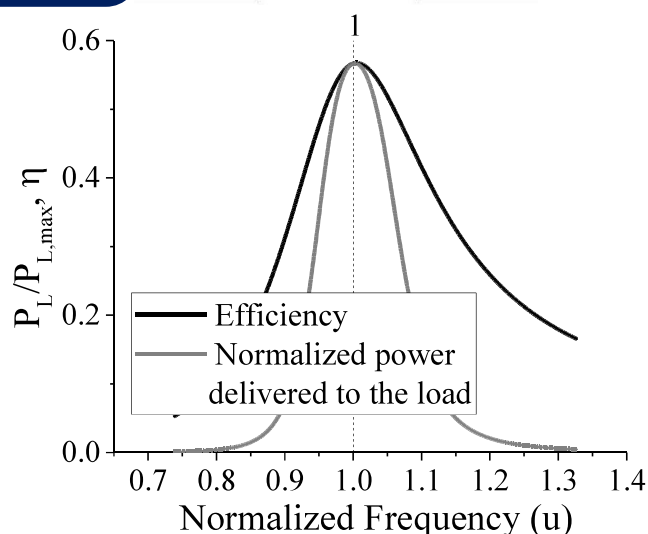
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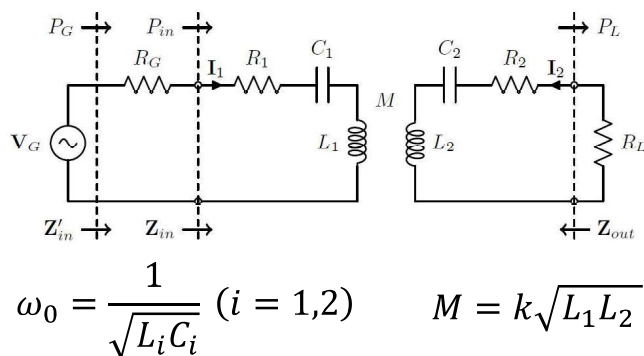
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### Fixed frequency schemes



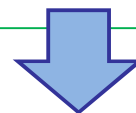
Power output is maximized by using:  
TX and RX **synchronous** resonators.  
The resonant frequency is the WPT operating frequency.





At  $\omega_0$  (main resonance) the input impedance is purely resistive

$$Z_{in}(\omega = \omega_0) = R_1 + \frac{k^2 \omega_0^2 L_1 L_2}{R_L}$$



**main resonant frequency:** the coupled resonators behave as an immittance inverter whose inversion constant is proportional to  $k^2$ .

**Operating at  $\omega_0$  leads to a coupling-dependent performance!**

**Goal: Find the conditions for additional resonances (secondary resonances)**



$$Z_{in}(\omega) = R_{in} + jX_{in}$$

**Solve for  $X_{in} = 0$**

## Goal

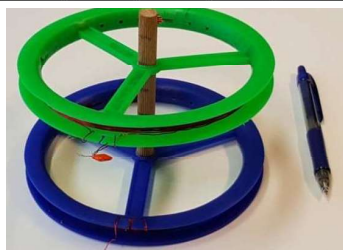
Find new possible operating resonant frequencies for achieving a **coupling-independent regime**



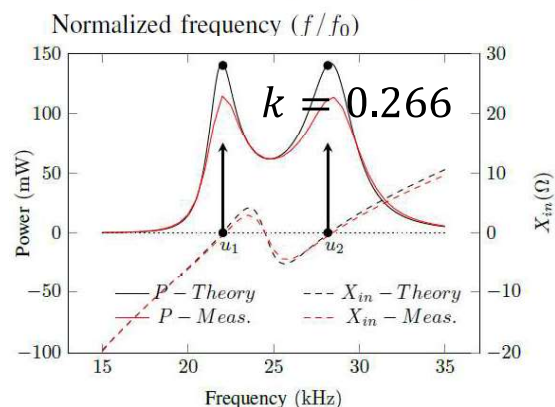
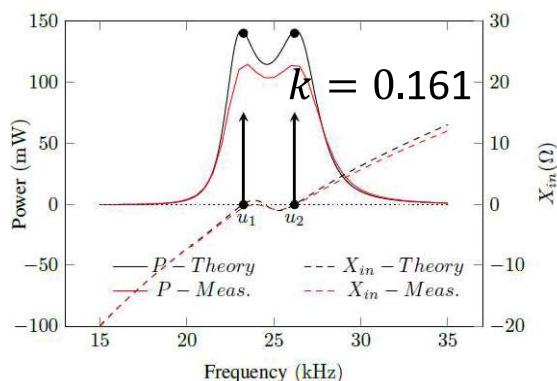
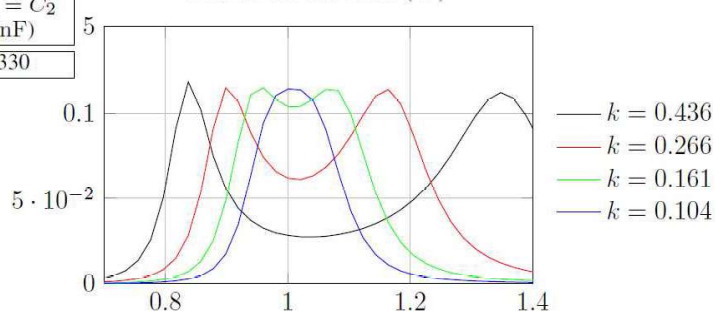
Performance in terms of power on the load (PL) and efficiency ( $\eta = \frac{P_L}{P_{in}}$ ) independent of  $k$

**It is necessary to study the frequency behaviour of the link**

| $f_0$<br>(kHz) | $R_G$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $R_i$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | $R_L$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $L_1 = L_2$<br>( $\mu$ H) | $C_1 = C_2$<br>(nF) |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 24.48          | 0.98                  | 0.83                  | 23.7  | 20.8  | 1.33                  | 128                       | 330                 |



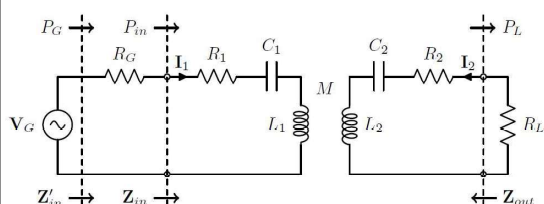
Power on the load (W)



Wang-Qiang Niu, Jian-Xin Chu, Wei Gu, and Ai-Di Shen, "Exact Analysis of Frequency Splitting Phenomena of Contactless Power Transfer Systems," IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON CIRCUITS AND SYSTEMS—I: REGULAR PAPERS, VOL. 60, NO. 6, JUNE 2013.

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$$R_{in} = X_0 r_1 + X_0 \frac{k^2 u^4 r_{2T}}{u^4 - (2 - r_{2T}^2) u^2 + 1}$$

$$X_{in} = X_0 \frac{(u^2 - 1) [(1 - k^2) u^4 - (2 - r_{2T}^2) u^2 + 1]}{u [u^4 - (2 - r_{2T}^2) u^2 + 1]}$$

**Two secondary resonances,  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ , exist if the following conditions are satisfied**

**Condition on the load**

$$r_{2T} = \left( \frac{1}{Q_2} + \frac{1}{Q_L} \right) < \sqrt{2}$$

**Condition on the coupling**

$$k \geq k_b = r_{2T} \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_{2T}^2}{4}}$$

$$X_{in} = 0 \text{ for: } u_1, u_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2 - r_{2T}^2 \pm \sqrt{4k^2 + r_{2T}^4 - 4r_{2T}^2}}{2(1 - k^2)}}$$

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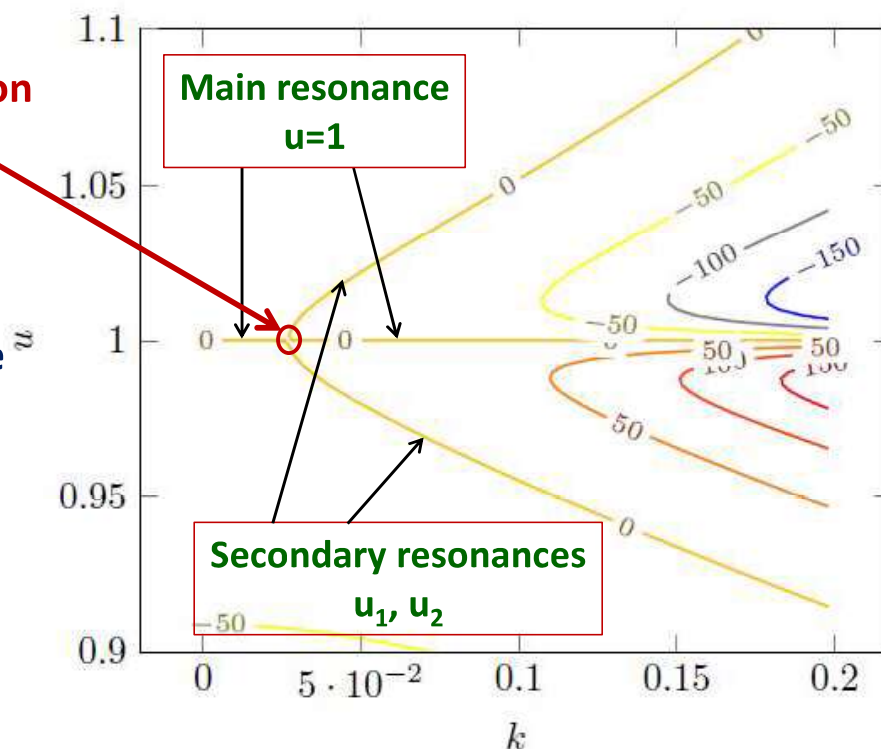


frequency bifurcation  
takes place

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the zero-reactance  
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converge

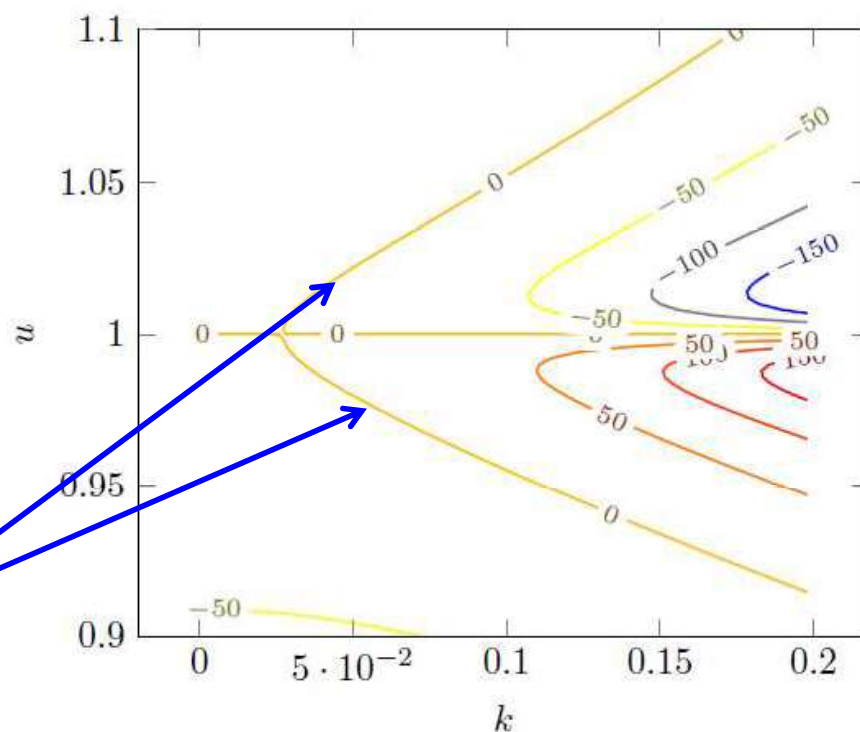


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A Coupling-independent performance can be realized by adopting a frequency-agile scheme: the operating frequency is varied so to operate at the secondary resonances



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**main resonant frequency:** the coupled resonators behave as an immittance inverter whose inversion constant is proportional to  $k^2$ .

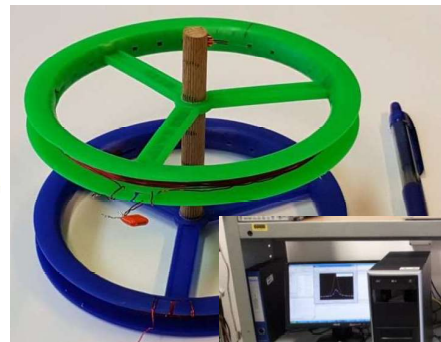
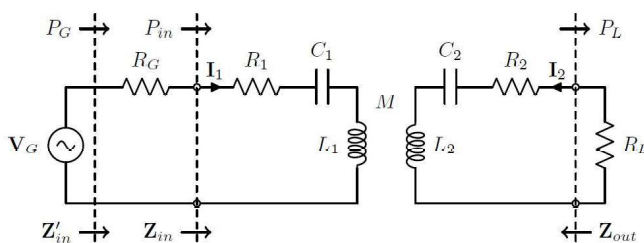
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At the secondary resonances  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  the input impedance is

$$Z_{in}(\omega = \omega_{1,2}) = R_1 + \frac{L_1}{L_2} (R_2 + R_L)$$

**At the secondary resonances** the coupled resonators behave as an **ideal transformer** with transform ratio  $n = \sqrt{\frac{L_1}{L_2}}$

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### Experiment

The inductors are 20-turn air-core copper wire coils of diameter 140mm realizing an inductance of 128  $\mu\text{H}$ . The capacitors are 330 nF nominal-value lumped capacitors realizing the resonance condition at  $f_0 = 24.48 \text{ kHz}$ .

| $f_0$<br>(kHz) | $R_G$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $R_i$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | $R_L$<br>( $\Omega$ ) | $r_{2T}$ | $k_b$ | $L_1 = L_2$<br>( $\mu\text{H}$ ) | $C_1 = C_2$<br>(nF) |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|----------|-------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 24.48          | 0.98                  | 0.83                  | 23.7  | 20.8  | 1.33                  | 0.11     | 0.11  | 128                              | 330                 |

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Mutual inductance and corresponding coupling coefficient  
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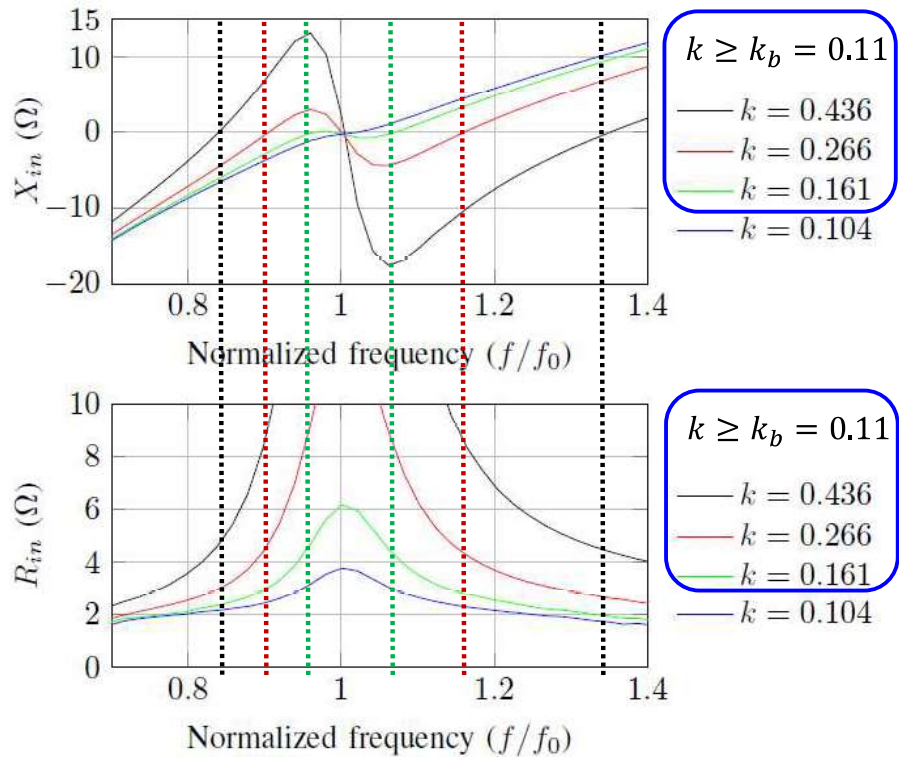
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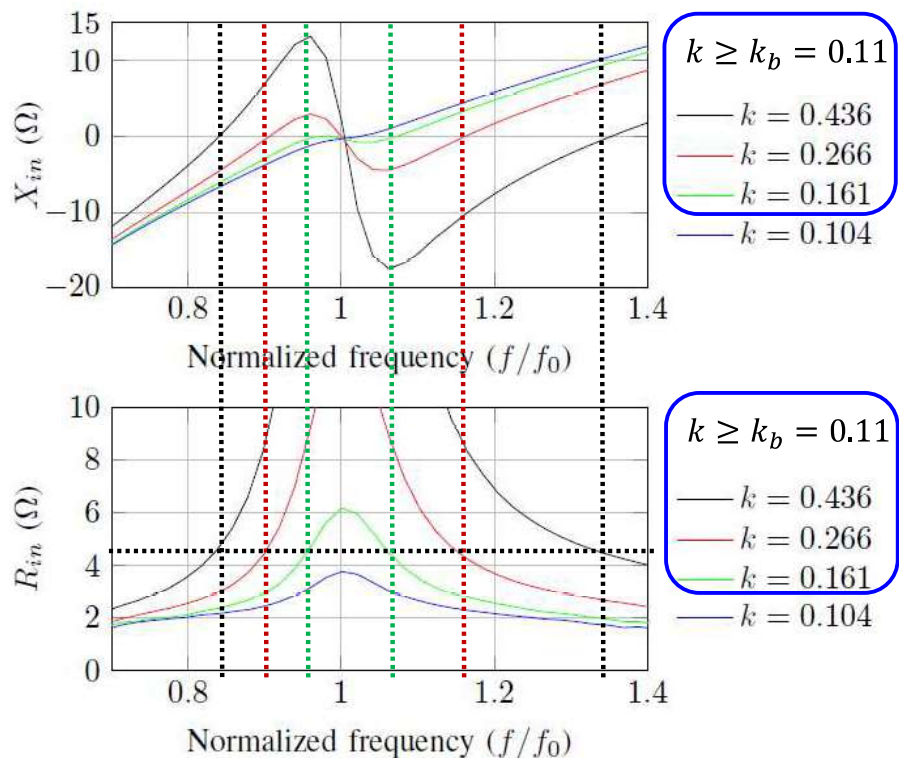
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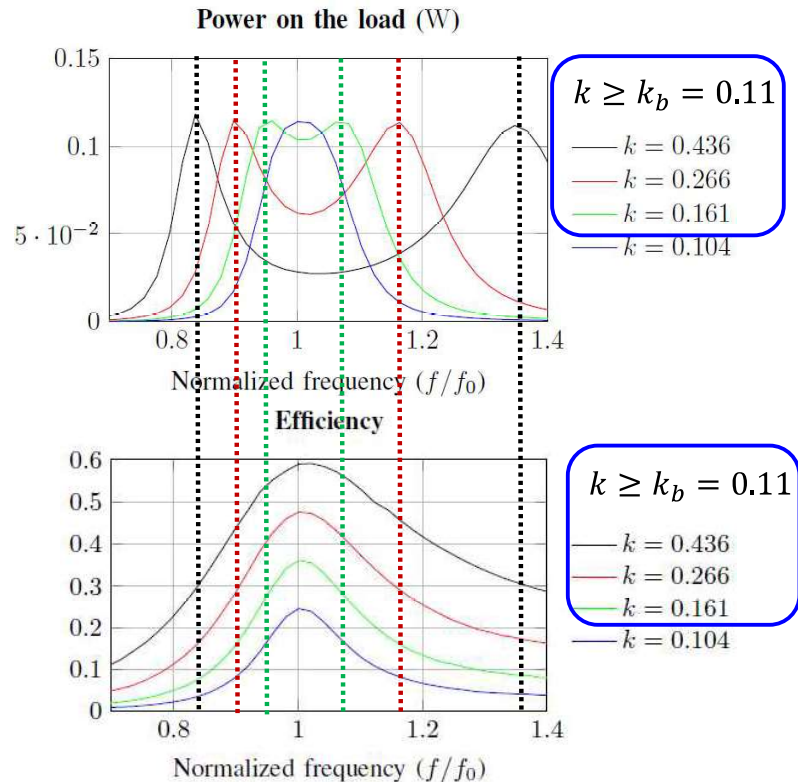


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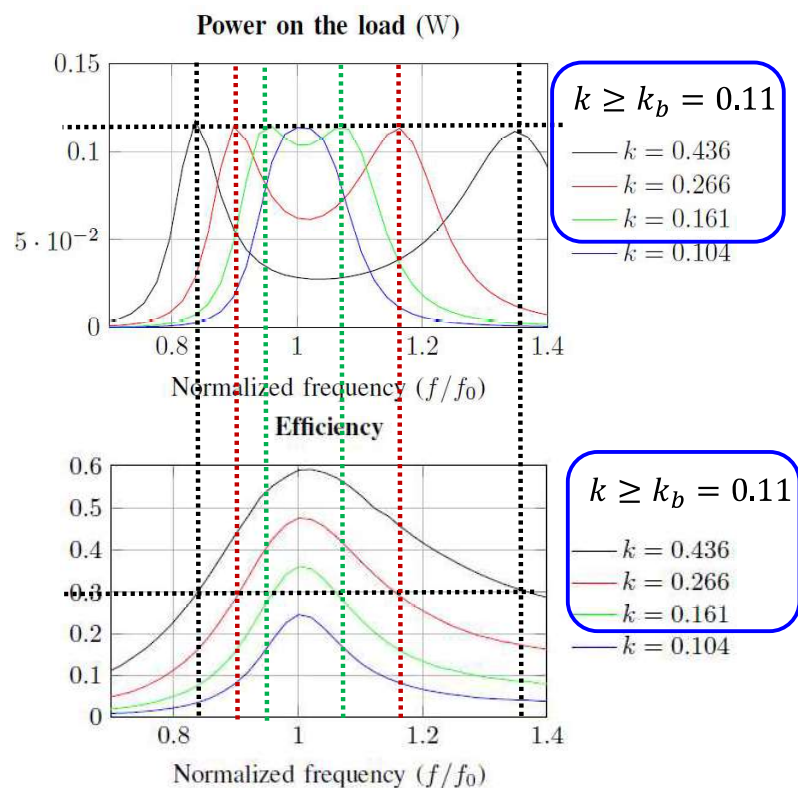


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**At the secondary resonances the measured values of  $P_L$  and  $\eta$  for different couplings are nearly coincident**





|        | Load     | Coupling | Goal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Frequency                                                               |
|--------|----------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CASE 1 | constant | constant | <b>MAXIMIZE THE PERFORMANCE</b><br>for <b>maximizing the performance</b> it is necessary to operate at the <b>main resonance</b> of the link.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Constant<br><br>Main resonance                                          |
| CASE 2 | variable | constant | <b>ACHIEVE A LOAD INDEPENDENT OUTPUT VOLTAGE</b><br>provided that the load impedance is above a threshold value, a <b>load-independent output voltage</b> can be realized by operating at the main resonance when the source is a current generator, a different operating frequency is necessary in the case where the generator is a voltage generator | Constant<br><br>CCVG (main resonance)<br>VCGV (alternative frequencies) |
| CASE 3 | constant | variable | <b>ACHIEVE A CONSTANT PERFORMANCE</b><br>for a link in an over-coupled regime <b>performance independent of the coupling coefficient</b> can be realized by adopting a frequency agile scheme where the frequency is varied so to operate at the secondary resonances.                                                                                   | Variable (secondary resonances)                                         |

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# Analytical and numerical design of non-static WPT systems

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In this lecture the analytical characterization of an inductive resonant link is presented and the system figures of merit are parametrically represented as a function of a set of circuitual parameters. The lecture demonstrates the need for a system-as-whole design at the circuit level, with the actual RF link terminations, consisting of the nonlinear power source and the RF-dc converter. Design solutions for industrial applications, such as the wireless powering of rotating or sliding tools are studied and the achievable performance in dynamic conditions are discussed.



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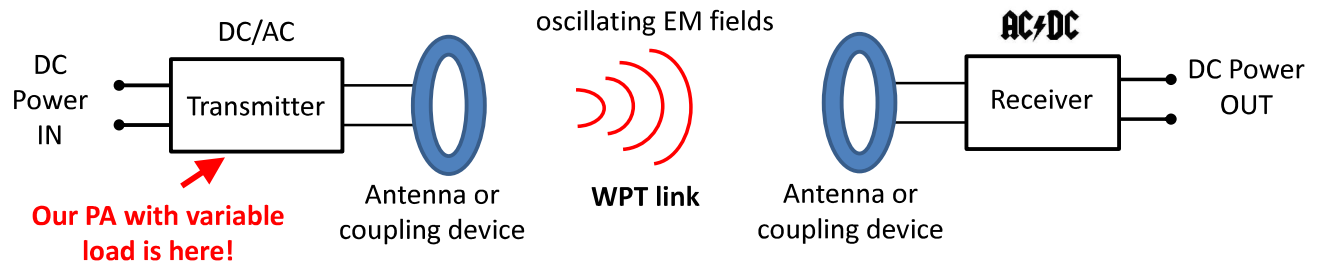


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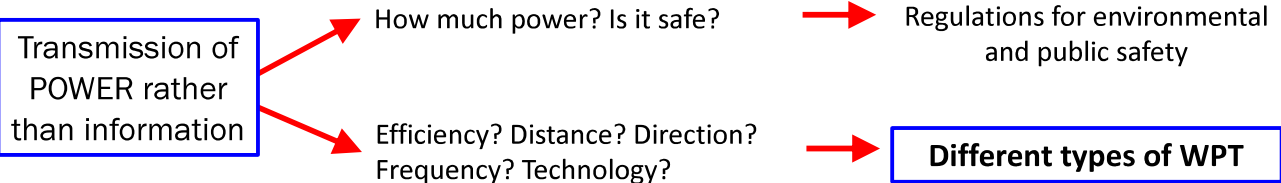
- ☐ Introduction to Wireless Power Transfer (WPT)
- ☐ The circuit-level description of an entire WPT link
- ☐ WPT inductive resonant (IR) link
- ☐ IR-WPT link performance at variable distance and load
- ☐ The transmitter and receiver design
- ☐ TWO EXAMPLES:
  - ☐ A rotating tool combining data and power transfer
  - ☐ A sliding chart
- ☐ DC-to-DC IR-WPT system design
- ☐ Conclusion

## WPT BASICS

- Power transmitted without conductors using time-varying electromagnetic fields



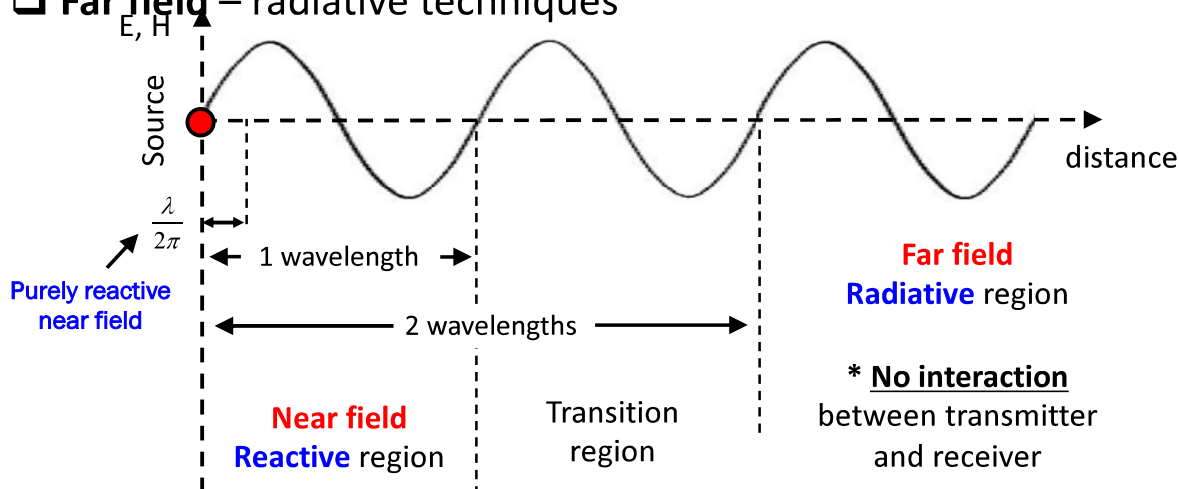
- Many advantages in “cutting the cord”: free positioning, simultaneous charging of multiple devices of different type, powering electrical devices not accessible by cables (e.g. hazardous sites, implantable medical devices etc. ...), remote powering ....



## WPT CLASSIFICATION

- Near field** - non radiative techniques

- Far field** – radiative techniques



\* **Interaction** between transmitter and receiver

\* This makes a difference for the Power Amplifier (PA) in the transmitter: **fixed/variable load regime**



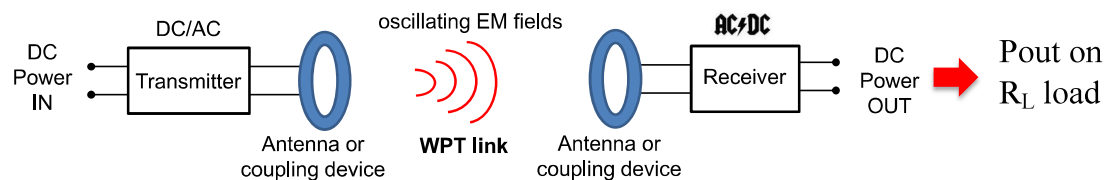
## NEAR-FIELD NON-RADIATIVE WPT

- ☐ The oscillating EM fields stay very close to the coupling device (**almost no radiation**)
- ☐ **Power** is non directive and **vanishes very rapidly** with distance ( $1/r^3$ )
- ☐ **Interaction** between TX and RX: with no receiver coupled in the immediate vicinity, the power delivered to the field is sent back to the receiver, **purely reactive region**

### How can I transfer Power?

- ☐ **Inductive coupling** (magnetic induction, MI): power is transmitted by an oscillating **magnetic** field **between coils of wire**
- ☐ **Capacitive coupling** (electrostatic induction): power is transmitted by an oscillating **electric** field between **electrodes** (e.g. metal plates).
- ☐ Pros and cons for both techniques
- ☐ Both used in commercial applications and investigated by research
- ☐ Inductive coupling more successful

## WPT SYSTEM EFFICIENCY



$$\eta_{WREL} = \eta_{DC-RF} \cdot \eta_{RF-RF} \cdot \eta_{RF-DC}$$

PA efficiency

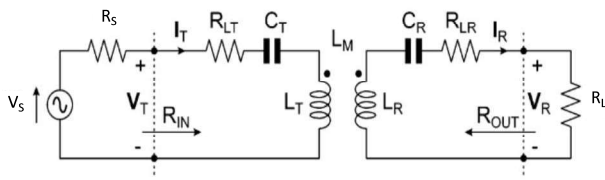
IR-link efficiency

rectifier efficiency

WPT link configurations can vary [2]:

- ☐ Variable link distance
  - ☐ Link misalignment
  - ☐ Orientation angle
  - ☐ Variable equivalent loading resistance  $R_L$
- Coupling factor ( $k$ ) variations
- Variations of  $\eta_{RF-RF}$ ,  $P_{out}$ ,  $\eta_{DC-RF}$  and  $\eta_{WREL}$

## RF-RF EFFICIENCY AND QULITY FACTORS



@ resonance  $\omega_0$

$$P_T = \text{Real} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}_T \mathbf{I}_T^* \right\} \quad \text{Power delivered to TX coil}$$

$$P_R = \text{Real} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{V}_R \mathbf{I}_R^* \right\} = 4P_R^{AV} \frac{R_{OUT} R_L}{(R_{OUT} + R_L)^2}$$

Power delivered to  $R_L$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_T C_T}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_R C_R}}$$

Resonant frequency

$$L_M = k \sqrt{L_T L_R} = \frac{\chi_T k}{n \omega_0}$$

Mutual inductance

$$\chi_i = \frac{V_{Li}}{I_i} = \frac{V_{Ci}}{I_i} = \sqrt{\frac{L_i}{C_i}}$$

Resonator slope parameter

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{L_T}{L_R}} = \sqrt{\frac{\chi_T}{\chi_R}}$$

Transform ratio

$$\eta_{RF-RF} = \frac{P_R}{P_T} = \frac{\chi_T^2 k^2 R_L}{(R_{LR} + R_L) [n^2 R_{LT} (R_{LR} + R_L) + \chi_T^2 k^2]}$$

$$= \frac{\omega_0^2 L_M^2 R_L}{(R_{LR} + R_L) [R_{LT} (R_{LR} + R_L) + \omega_0^2 L_M^2]}$$

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## RF-RF EFFICIENCY IS DEIFINED BY THE PRODUCT OF KQ

$$\eta_{RF-RF} = \frac{P_R}{P_T} = \frac{k^2 \cdot Q_T Q_{R-LOADED}}{1 + k^2 \cdot Q_T Q_{R-LOADED}} \cdot \frac{Q_{R-LOADED}}{Q_{LOAD}}$$

Increases with  $k \rightarrow$   $\eta_{MAX} = Q_{R-LOADED} / Q_{LOAD}$   
 Maximized for :  $Q_T Q_{R-LOADED} \gg 1/k^2$   
 For  $Q_T Q_{R-LOADED} \gg 1/k^2 \rightarrow \eta_{RF-RF} = \eta_{MAX} / 2$

$$R_{IN} = \frac{V_T}{I_T} = R_{LT} + \frac{\omega_0^2 L_M^2}{(R_{LR} + R_L)} = R_{LT} + \frac{\chi_T^2 k^2}{n^2 (R_{LR} + R_L)}$$

@  $\omega_0$  depends on  $k$

- ❑  $\eta_{RF-RF}$  depends on load ( $R_L$ ) and coupling factor ( $k$ )
- ❑ Different WPT optimum system LOAD for:
  - maximum power delivered to the load (MPDL)
  - maximum RF-to-RF efficiency (MPTE)

$$Q_{R-LOADED} = \frac{\chi_R}{R_{LR} + R_L} = \frac{\omega_0 L_R}{R_{LR} + R_L}$$

Quality factors

$$Q_{T-LOADED} = \frac{\chi_T}{R_{LT} + R_S} = \frac{\omega_0 L_T}{R_{LT} + R_S}$$

$$Q_T = \frac{\chi_T}{R_{LT}} = \frac{\omega_0 L_T}{R_{LT}}$$

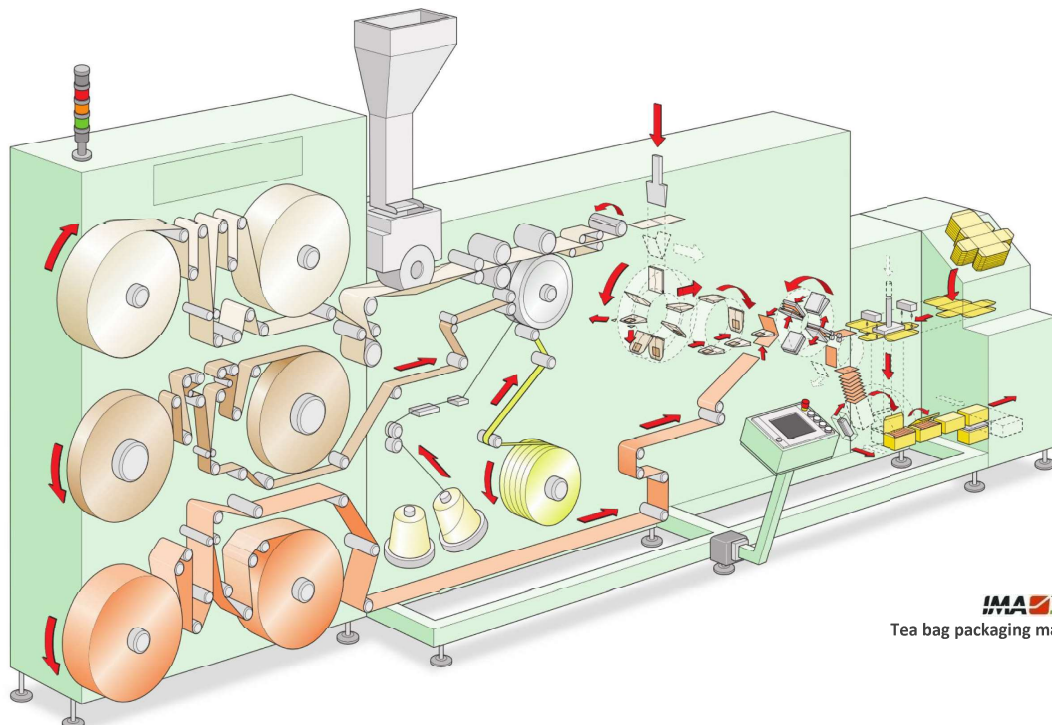
$$Q_R = \frac{\chi_R}{R_{LR}} = \frac{\omega_0 L_R}{R_{LR}}$$

$$Q_{LOAD} = \frac{\chi_R}{R_L} = \frac{\omega_0 L_R}{R_L}$$

## MAXIMIZING $kQ$

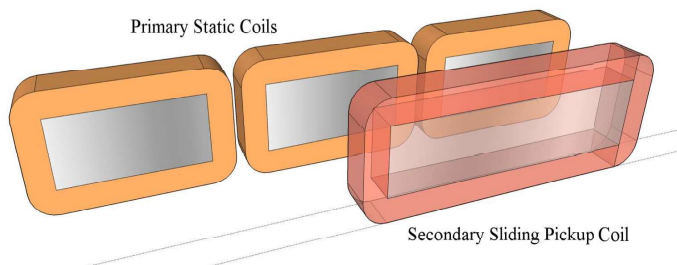
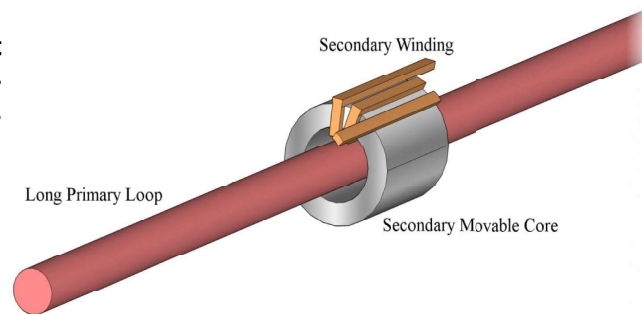
- ▶  $k$  depends only on the geometries (distance included)
  - ▶ There is an optimum size and shape to maximize  $k$  for a certain distance
  - ▶ Use specially shaped coils (i.e. conformal to the magnetic field)
- ▶  $Q_x = \omega L_x / R_x$ 
  - ▶ Generally, maximize the coil area ( $L_x \uparrow$ ) in the space available, but minimize the conductor length ( $R_x \downarrow$ )
  - ▶ Maximize the number of turns  $N_x$ :  $L_x \propto N_x^2$ , but  $R_x \propto N_x$  and  $k(N_x) \sim \text{const}$
  - ▶ Choose an optimal frequency
  - ▶  $Q$  is maximized when radiation begins to dominate losses for a certain size, but then the coil impedance is affected by parasitics
  - ▶ It is usually advised to use the highest frequency with a linear reactance
  - ▶ This push the need of MHz power electronics
- ▶ One bigger coil at a fixed distance can lower  $k$  but still increase  $kQ$
- ▶  $k$  and  $Q$  are not mutually independent and an EM optimization of the inductive link should be performed

## ROTATING TOOLS IN AN AUTOMATIC MACHINE



## OTHER INDUSTRIAL WPT APPLICATIONS

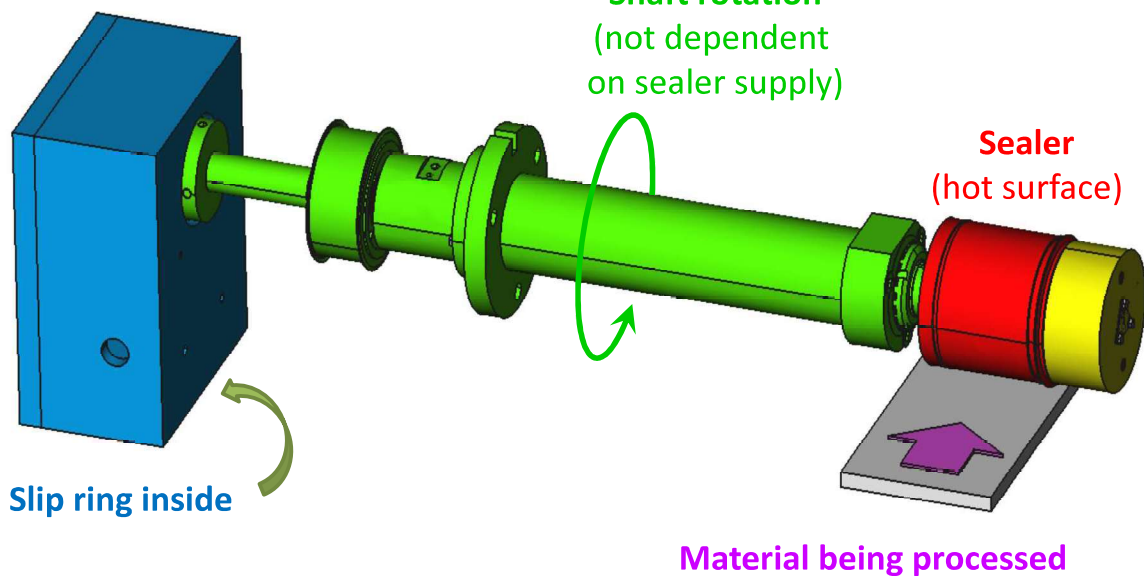
**Linear-track CET unit**  
The movable core is free to move along the primary loop (multiple cores can also be included)



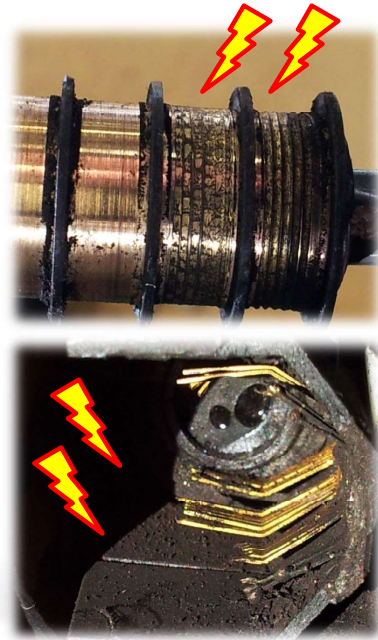
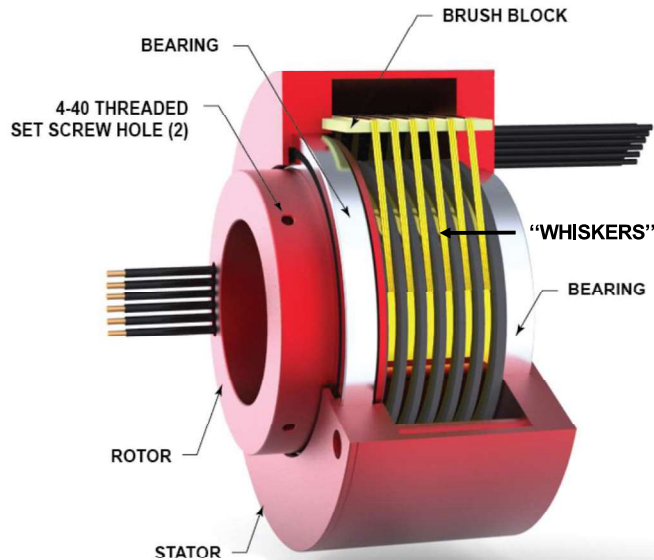
**Sliding CET unit**  
The pickup coil always faces two or more static coils (multiple pickup coils can also be included)

## ROTATING SEALER

Electric supply to  
warm up the sealer

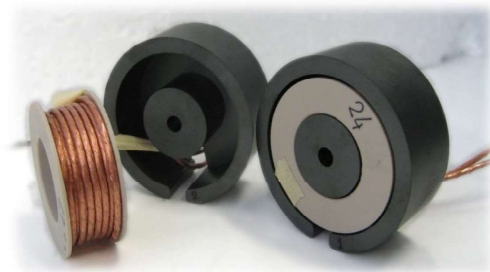


## SLIP RING



## 1,3kW CET UNIT CONSTRAINTS

- Requirements:
  - Output voltage = 230 Vac
  - Power rating = 1.3 kW
  - Air gap = 0.6 mm
  - Temperature = [20 – 80] °C
  - Efficiency > 90 %
- Limitations:
  - Frequency (~ 50 kHz)
  - Winding and core losses (~ 30 W)
  - Core's saturation (~ 0,5 T)
  - Temperature (~ 100 °C)
  - Electro-magnetic compatibility (EMC)
  - Available radial space (35 mm)

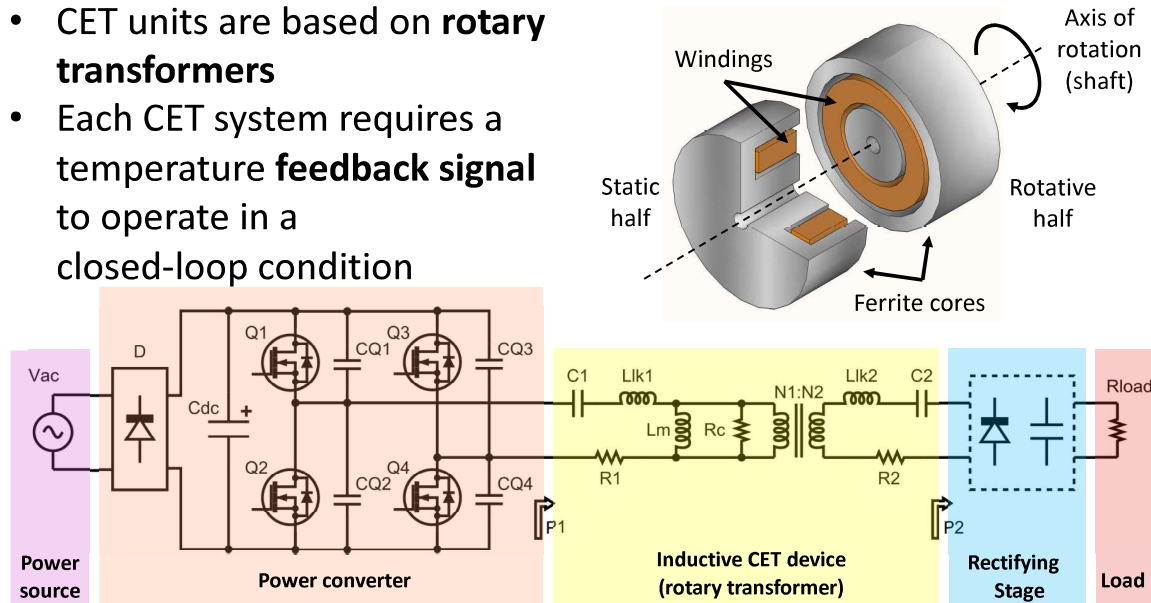


- Trade-offs:
  - Wire (section, strands)
  - Turns
  - Frequency tuning
  - Ferrite type
  - Compensation schemes
  - Core size



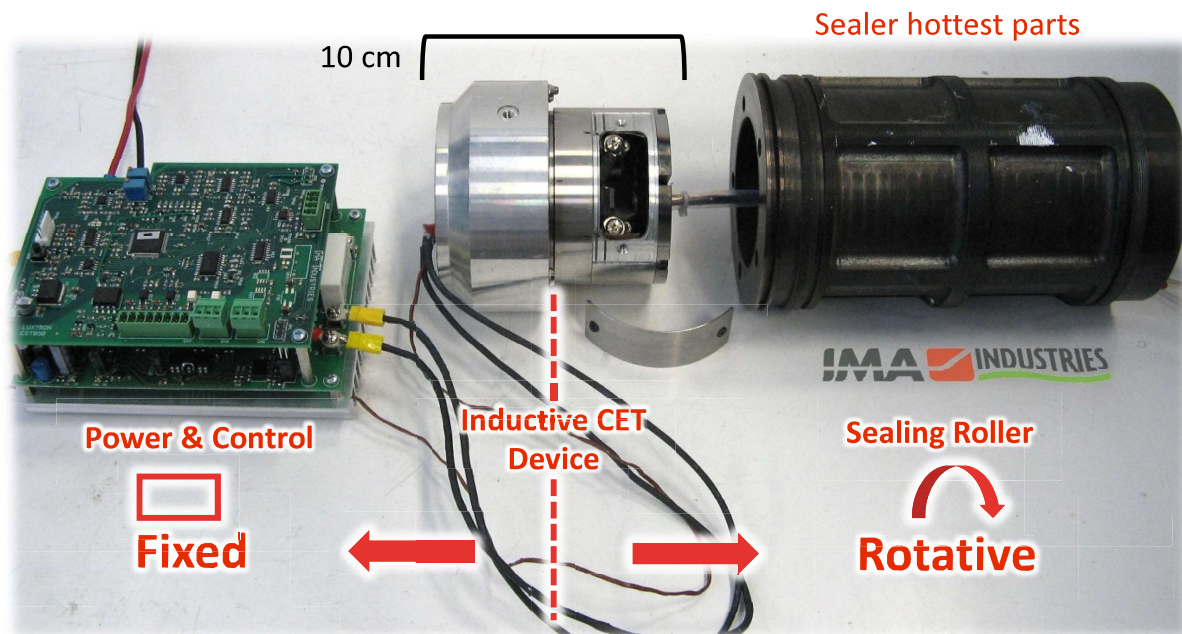
## STATE-OF-THE-ART WPT CHANNEL

- Contactless energy transfer (CET) units are now used to supply the **rotating sealers** of a packaging machine (1.3 kW)
- CET units are based on **rotary transformers**
- Each CET system requires a temperature **feedback signal** to operate in a closed-loop condition



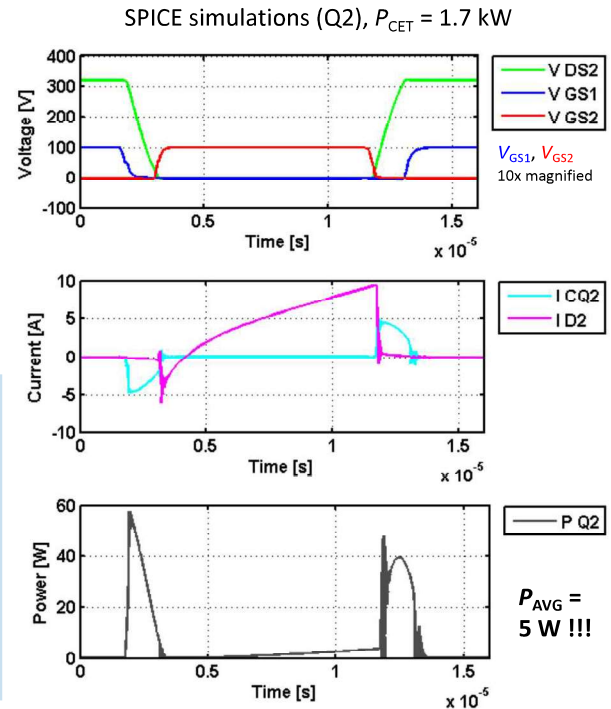
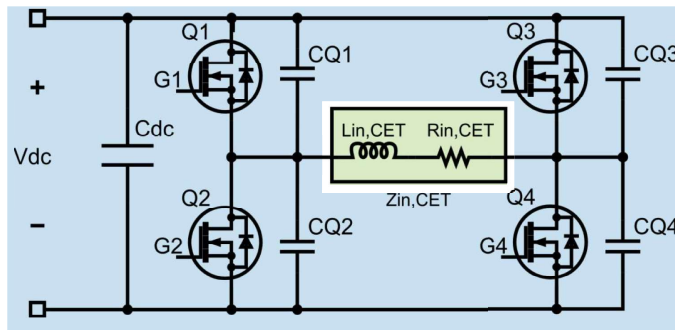
Trevisan, Costanzo, "A 1-kW contactless energy transfer system based on a rotary transformer for sealing rollers," *IEEE Trans. Ind. Electron.*, 2014

## THE COMPACT ROTATING WPT



## POWER SUPPLY

- Full-bridge MOSFET ac/ac converter
  - Soft-switching reduces commutation losses and increases lifetime
- Pseudo (quasi) –resonance topology
  - Zero-voltage turn on and turn off
- $L_{in,CET}$  resonates with  $C_{Q1-4}$  to ease soft-switching

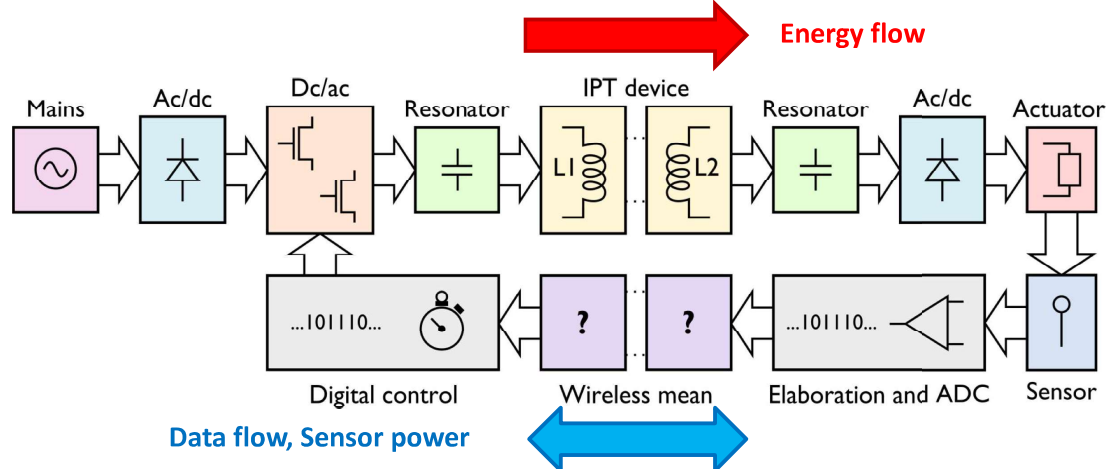


## EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS WITH TWO CHOICED OF THE RF-RF LINK

|                                 | Setup 18      | Setup 27     | Units      |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| Litz wire                       | 0,10 mm x 500 | 0,18 mm x 84 |            |
| $N_1, N_2$                      | 18, 17        | 27, 24       | turns      |
| $R_1, R_2$ (est.)               | 55, 47        | 255, 174     | mΩ         |
| <b>Winding losses</b>           | <b>4</b>      | <b>21</b>    | <b>W</b>   |
| $L_{lk1}, L_{lk2}, L_m$ (est.)  | 28, 25, 303   | 63, 50, 682  | μH         |
| $L_{lk1}, L_{lk2}, L_m$ (meas.) | 48, 10, 269   | 65, 49, 670  | μH         |
| <b>Core losses</b>              | <b>13</b>     | <b>8</b>     | <b>W</b>   |
| $C_1, C_2$                      | -, -          | 100, -       | nF         |
| <b>Resonance</b>                | <b>-</b>      | <b>37</b>    | <b>kHz</b> |
| $\eta$ (est.)                   | 99            | 97           | %          |
| $\eta$ (meas.)                  | <b>98</b>     | <b>96</b>    | <b>%</b>   |

## WIRELESSLY-POWERED CONTROLLED SYSTEMS

- Every controlled system requires a feedback signal to “close the loop”
- The data channel can be paired to the IPT device by several wireless means (secondary inductive channel, capacitive coupling, optical coupling, etc.)

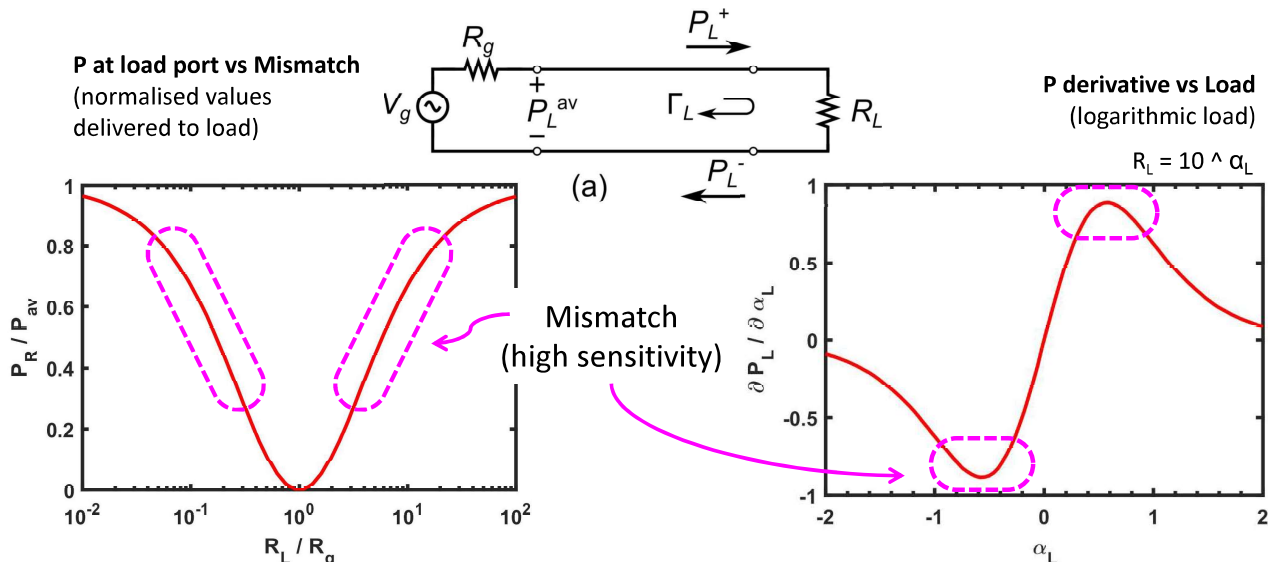


- The sensing circuitry cannot be supplied by the main energy flow (discontinuous)
- A secondary energy source available at the remote side is desired, or
- A channel that combines sensor power + sensor data

## PASSIVE SENSING

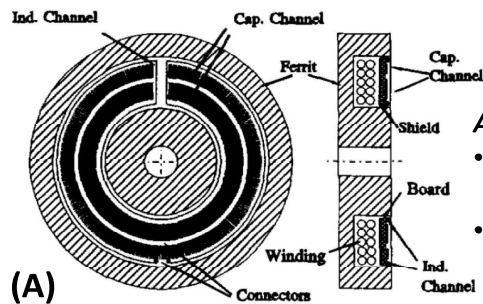
Exploit power or voltage curves at the input port  
where the sensitivity is maximum with respect to load variations

- $R_{load}$  has a **range of variation**  $[R_{min}, R_{max}]$ ,  $R_{mean}$  is the average
- **Mismatch** is helpful to maximise such quantity variations



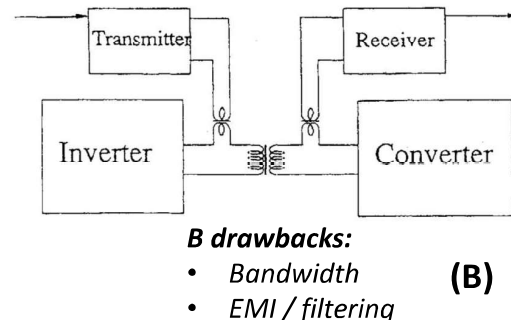
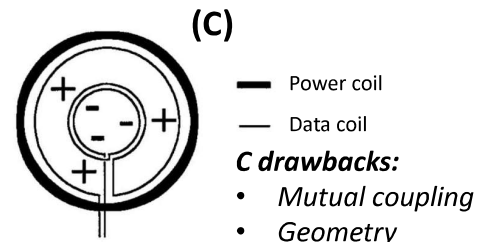
## WIRELESS POWER AND INFORMATION TRANSFER (prior art)

- **WPIT:** Transfer of (high) power and information through the same contactless energy transfer (CET) device
- Examples in literature:
  - A. Capacitive plates (Esser1993)
  - B. Overlapped data (Kawamura1996)
  - C. Decoupled coils (Bieler2002)



**A drawbacks:**

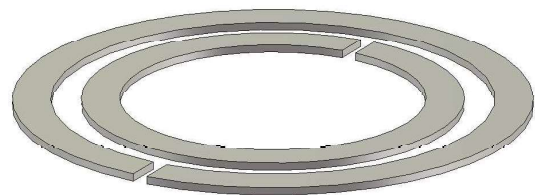
- Capacitive cross-coupling
- Channel performance



A. Esser, Nagel, "Contactless high speed signal transmission integrated in a compact rotatable power transformer," *Proc. 1993 IEEE 5th European Conf. Power Electronics and Applications*, 1993, pp. 409-414 vol.4.  
 B. Kawamura, Member, Ishioka, Hirai, "Wireless transmission of power and information through one high-frequency resonant ac link inverter for robot manipulator applications," *IEEE Trans. Ind. Appl.*, vol. 32, 1996, pp. 503-508.  
 C. Bieler, Perrottet, Nguyen, Perriard, "Contactless power and information transmission," *IEEE Trans. Ind. Appl.*, vol. 38, 2002, pp. 1266-1272.

## INTEGRATION OF THE COMMUNICATION LINK WITH THE WPT LINK

### SPLIT RING RESONATOR AT 868 MHz



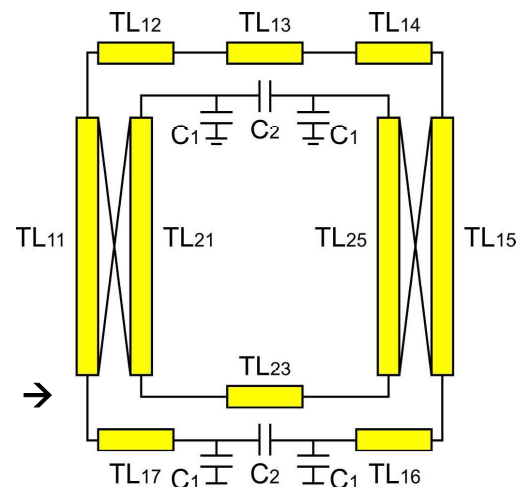
#### Split Ring Resonator (SRR)

- Often employed in metamaterial studies
- Usually coupled to an external transmission line, or waveguide
- Each SRR can be modelled as two different microstrip lines (internal, external) coupled together

#### Our case:

- Two faced SRRs
- FR4 substrate
- Ground backplane

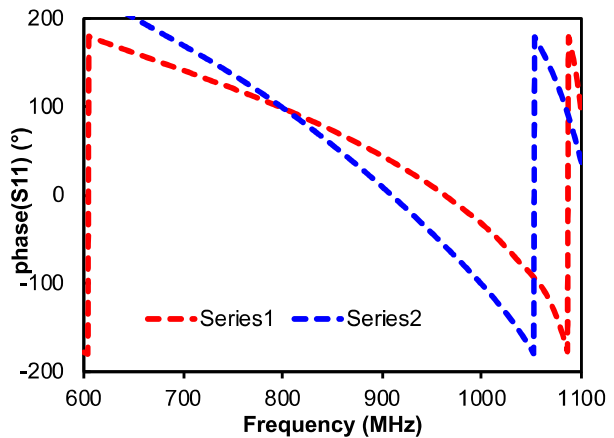
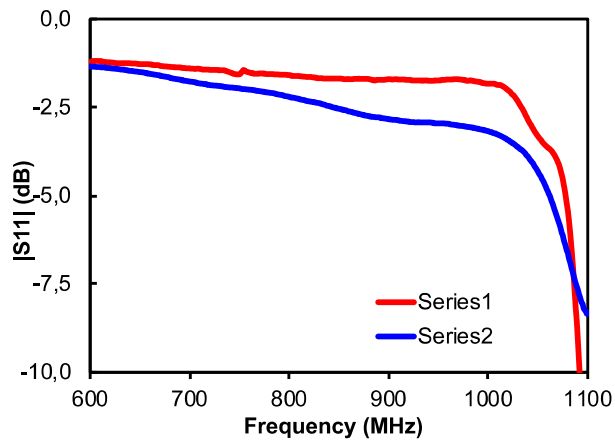
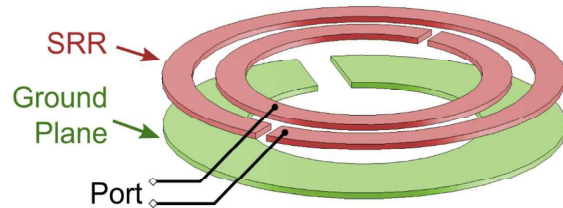
Model representation of a SSR with slots on opposite sides  
 Zhurbenko, et al., "Analytical model of planar double split ring resonator," *Microwave and Optoelectronics Conf.*, 2007



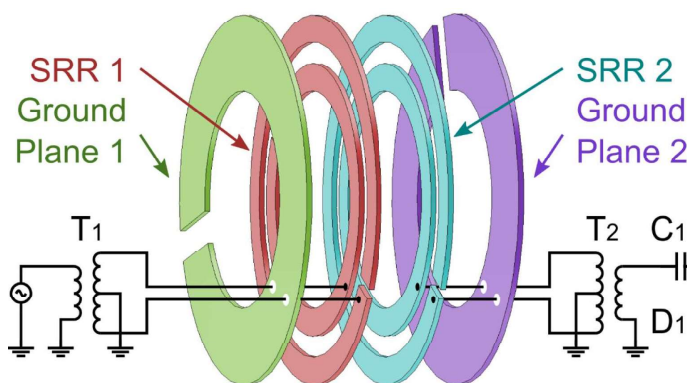


## CHARACTERIZATION OF THE SRR COMMUNICATION LINK

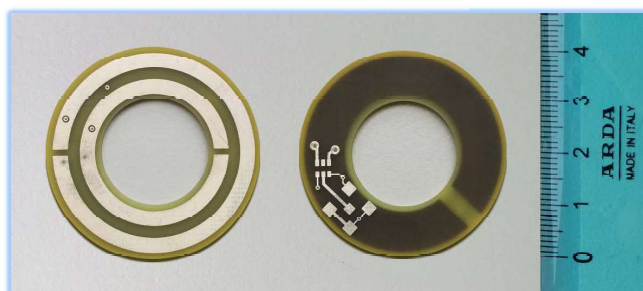
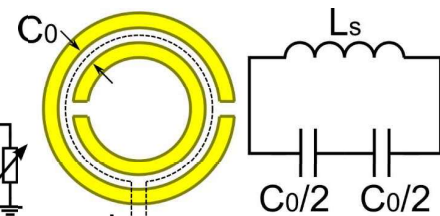
- Multiple (self-)resonance frequencies
- Resonant frequencies depend on several factors, including:
  - Clearance between rings
  - Ring slot size and position
  - Ground plane slot size and position



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Simplified circuit of a single SRR w/o ground plane. The structure self-resonates. Baena, et al., "Equivalent-circuit models for split-ring resonators and complementary split-ring resonators coupled to planar transmission lines," IEEE Trans. MTT



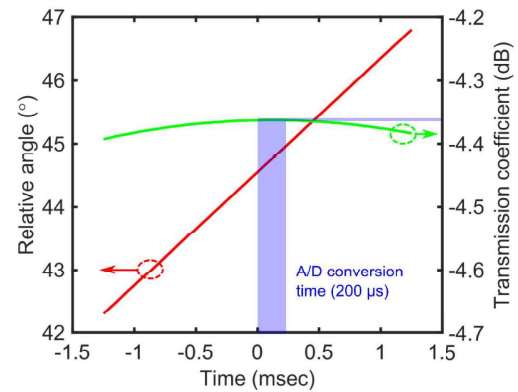
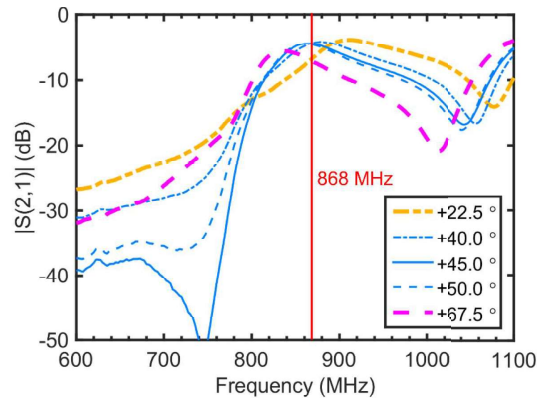
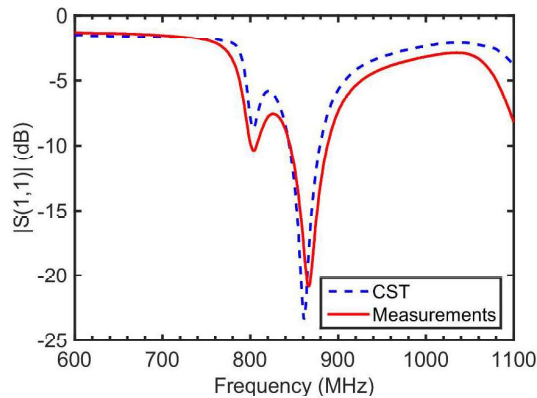
← Prototyped SRRs

Test board →  
used for  
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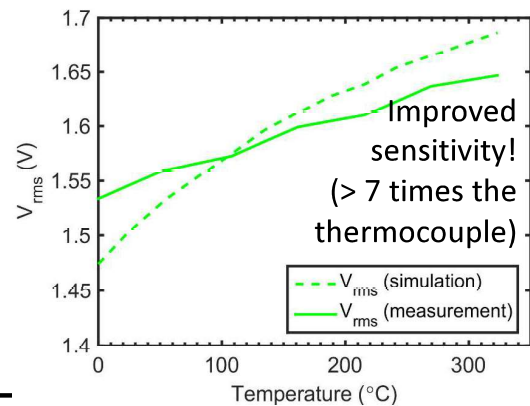
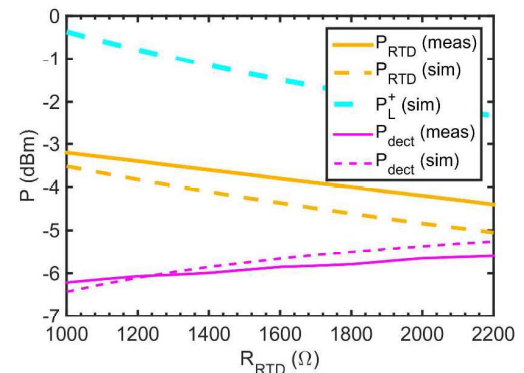
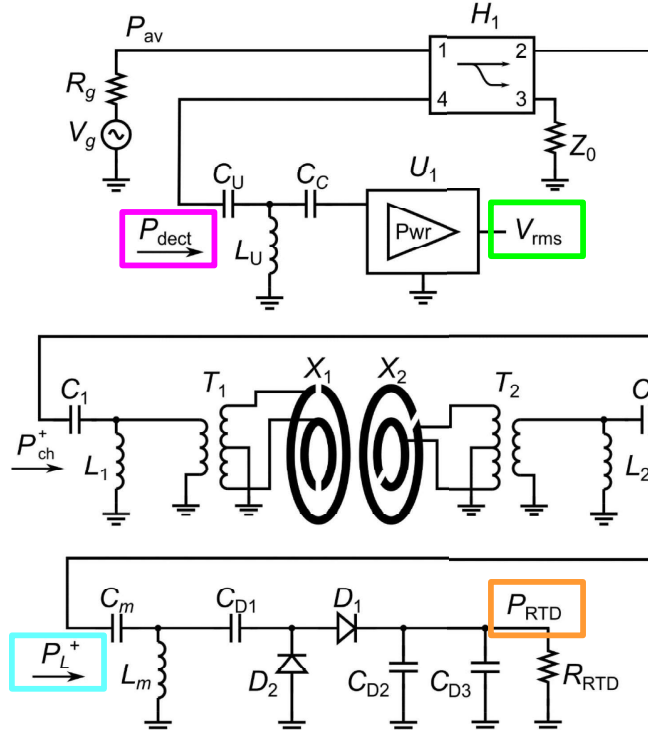
## COMMUNICATION LINK BEHAVIOR INSENSITIVE TO ROTATION



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## THE COMMUNICATION LINK



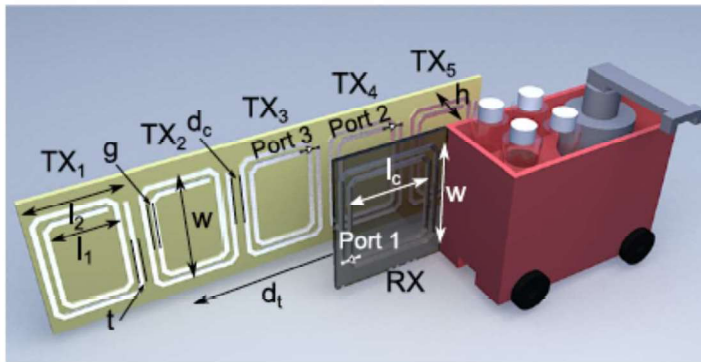
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## SLIDING CHARTS IN INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

## Distributed reconfigurable TX coils instead of a unique one

- ▶ The goal is to maintain a constant output voltage independently from position and load
- ▶ Can a coupled inductive system be position independent just by some geometrical optimizations and multiple transmitters?
- ▶ Can a complete link be load independent without any feedback control?



[Final] Dimensions (cm):

$$l_c = 17.2, l_1 = 12$$

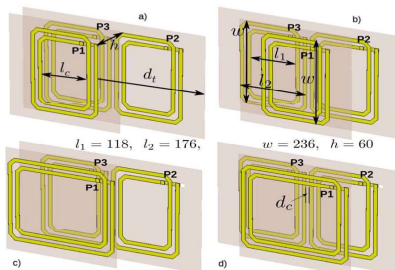
$$l_2 = 18, d_c = 2$$

$w = 24, g = 1,$

$t = 1, h = 6$

## CONCURRENT TX AND RX COILS OPTIMIZATION

RX slides from a) to b) at a distance of 6 cm, facing two TX coils: EM based optimization of the three-port network:  $P_1$ : (RX)  $P_2$ : (TX<sub>1</sub>)  $P_3$ : (TX<sub>2</sub>).

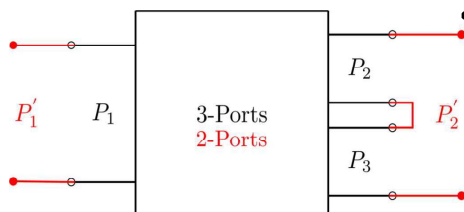


- EM-based optimization of the RX length  $l_c$  wrt the TX ones ( $l_1$ ).  $l_c \approx l_1 + \frac{l_2 - l_1}{2} + d_c$

- Coupling factor:  $k_{i,j} = \frac{X_{i,j}}{\sqrt{X_{i,i} \cdot X_{j,j}}}$
- **Series of two TX:**  $k_{TX-RX} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \frac{k_{1,2} + k_{1,3}}{\sqrt{1 + k_{1,3}}}$

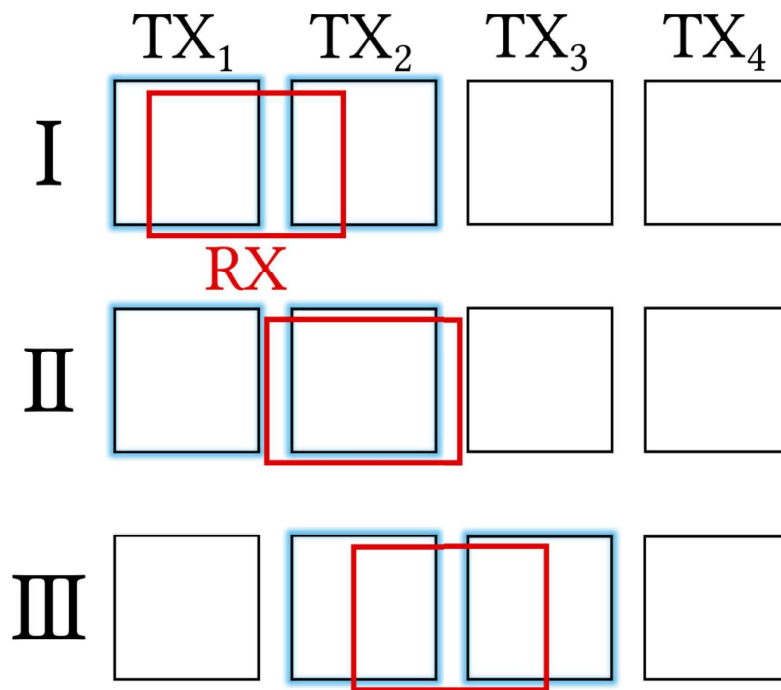
- $k_{TX-RX}$  is constant if  $k_{1,2}$  and  $k_{1,3}$

- $Z'_{11} = Z_{11};$
- $Z'_{12} = Z_{12} + Z_{13};$
- $Z'_{22} = Z_{22} + Z_{33} + Z_{23}$
- $L'_2 = L_2 + L_3 + M_{23}$



[1] Pacini, Mastri, Trevisan, Masotti, Costanzo, "Geometry optimization of sliding inductive links for position-independent wireless power transfer," IMS 2016.

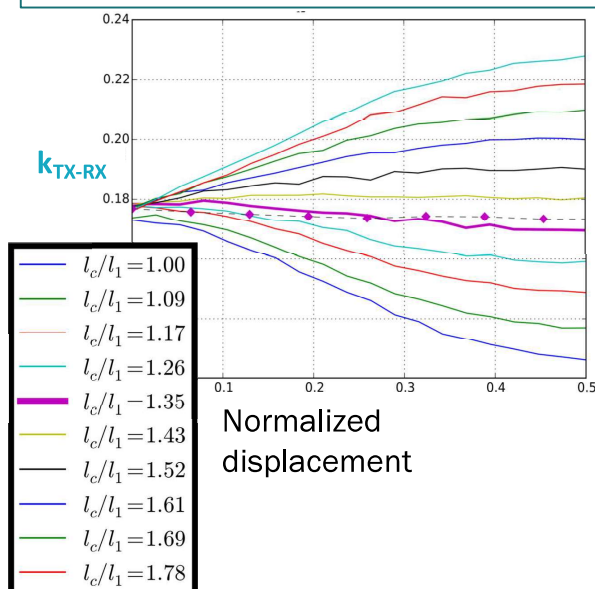
## SLIDING POSITIONS



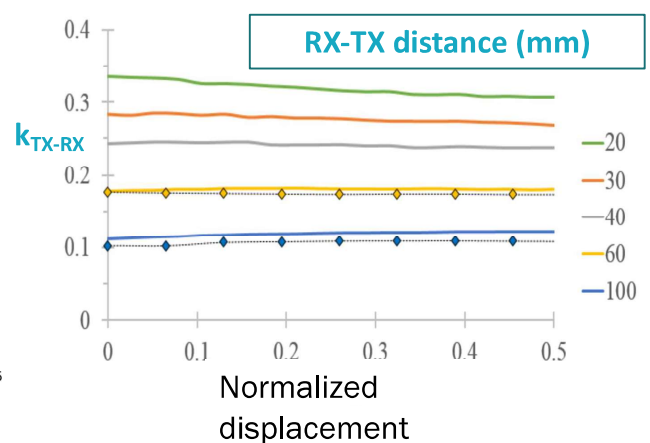
- The **powered** coils are **highlighted**
- The **RX slides** along the **whole path** (zero is RX/TX1 centres aligned)
- When the **RX aligns** with a new **TX** coil, the **previous** is turned **off** while the **next** is turned **on**
- The **behaviour** is thus **periodic** and can be **unlimited**

## CONCURRENT TX AND RX COILS OPTIMIZATION

PREDICTED AND MEASURED COUPLING FACTOR FOR OPTIMIZED RX LAYOUT



PREDICTED AND MEASURED COUPLING FACTOR FOR VARIABLE RX-TX DISTANCES

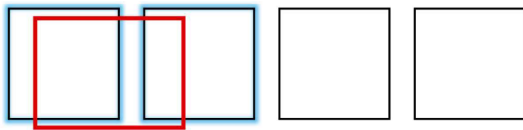


RX slides from a) to b) at a distance of 6 cm, facing two TX coils: EM based optimization

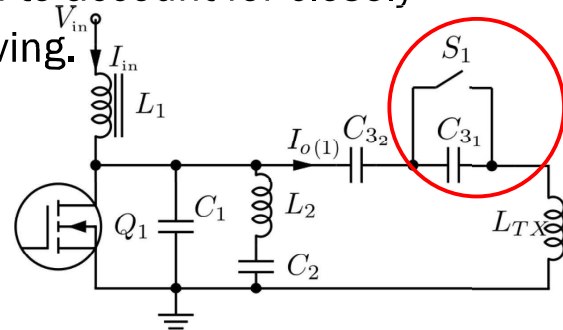
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## DISTRIBUTED CURRENT SOURCES: ONE FOR EACH TX COIL

- The optimal **series connection** of two coils can be obtained ***virtually*** by forcing the **same current through them**
  - A stand-alone **Class EF Inverter**, designed in [2], provides a **constant current** source with a DC-AC efficiency better than **90% at 6.78MHz**.
  - The load can vary **BUT** must be **resistive** and  $0 < R_L < R_L^{MAX}$
- The inverter topology is **modified** to account for closely located coils when the RX is moving.



[2] Aldhafer, Mitcheson, Yates, "Load-independent Class EF inverters for inductive wireless power transfer," WPTC 2016.



## INVERTER EMBEDDED NETWORK DESIGN

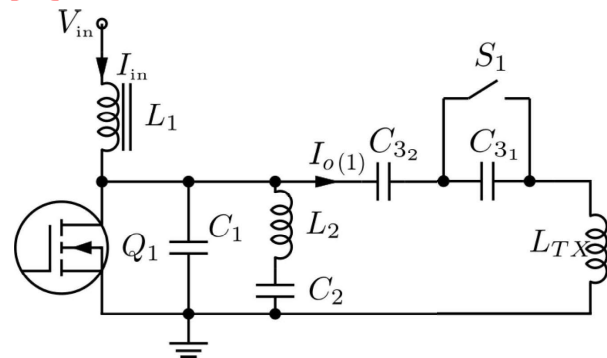
- The effective coil inductance seen from the inverter port (***virtual series connection of two coils***)

$$L_{TX}^1 = L_{TX}(1 + k_{23}),$$

where  $k_{23}$  is the coupling factor between the two TX coils

$$C'_3 = \frac{C_3}{\left(1 + \frac{\omega}{2\pi f_0}\right) k_{23}}$$

Compensating capacitor to provide the same residual inductance



Inverter load need be inductive

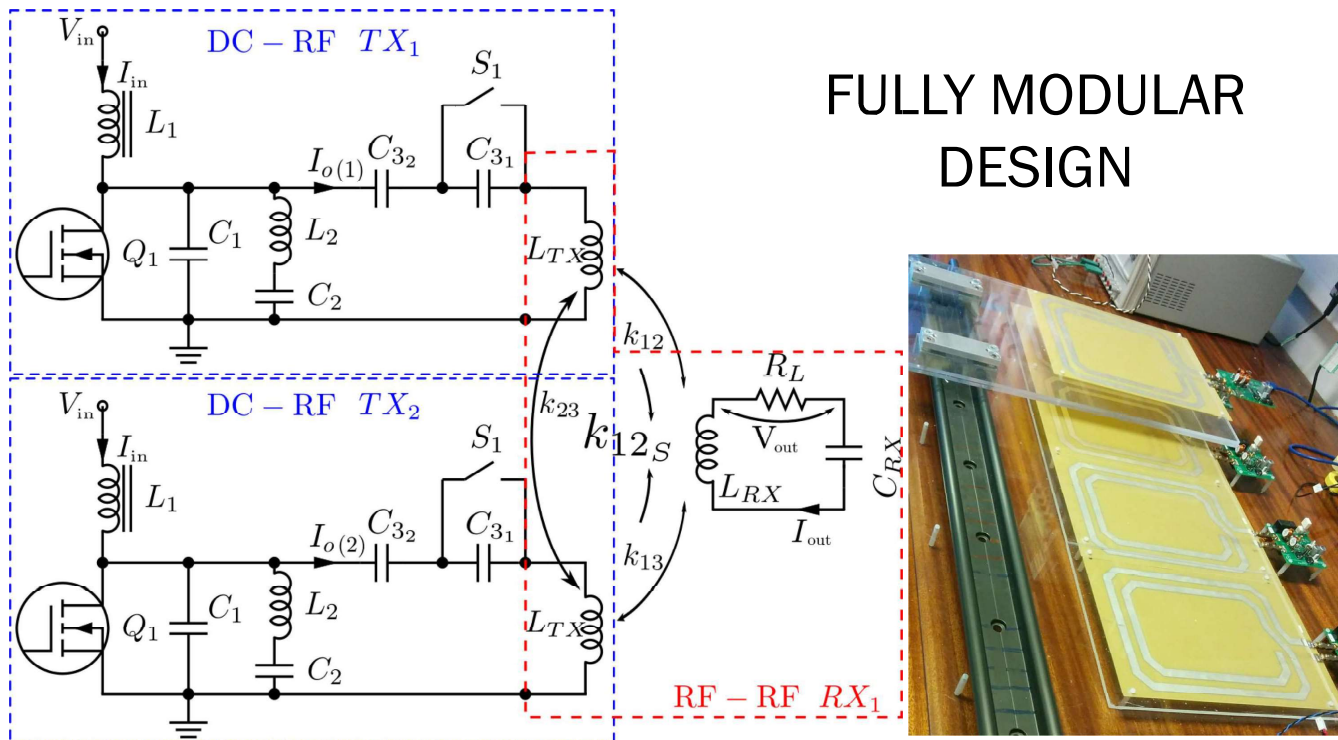
$Q_1$  ON:  $f < f_0$

$Q_1$  OFF:  $f > f_0$

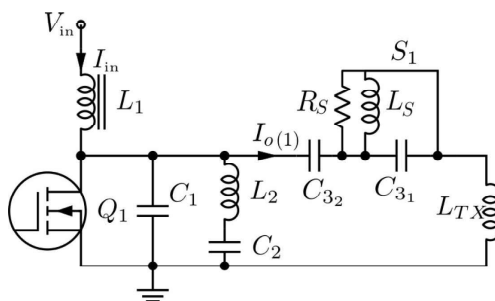
$T_{ON} > T_{OFF}$

$f_0 = 6.78 \text{ MHz}$

## IDENTICAL RF CURRENT SOURCES: VIRTUAL SERIES CONNECTION



## MITIGATION OF PARASITIC CURRENTS IN INACTIVE COILS



$$C_{32} = \alpha C_{31}$$

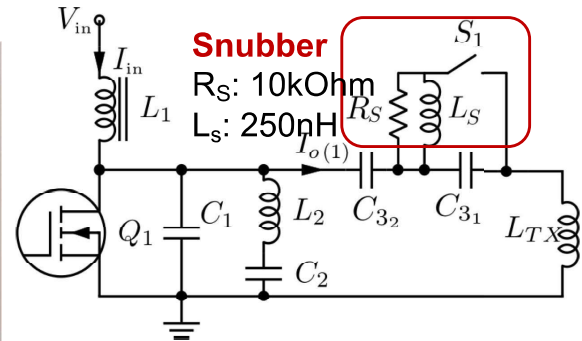
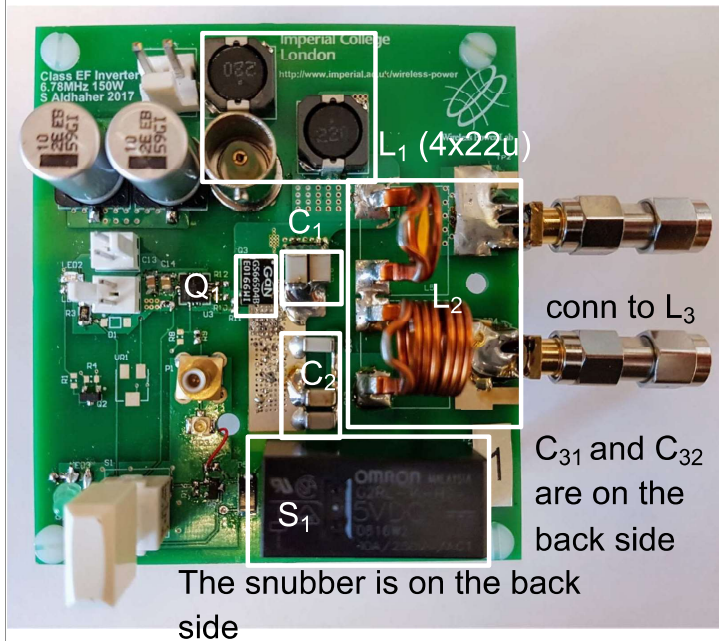
$$C_{32} = C_3 (\alpha + 1)$$

$$C_{31} = C_3 \left( \frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha} \right)$$

- **C<sub>3</sub>** is **split** in two and a **switch S<sub>1</sub>** is parallel-connected to the lower capacitor *to stress the impedance differentiation between active and non-active coils*
- ActiveTX coil -> **S<sub>1</sub> open**
- InactiveTX coil -> **S<sub>1</sub> closed**
- For **α=10**, the currents are **reduced** by one order of magnitude



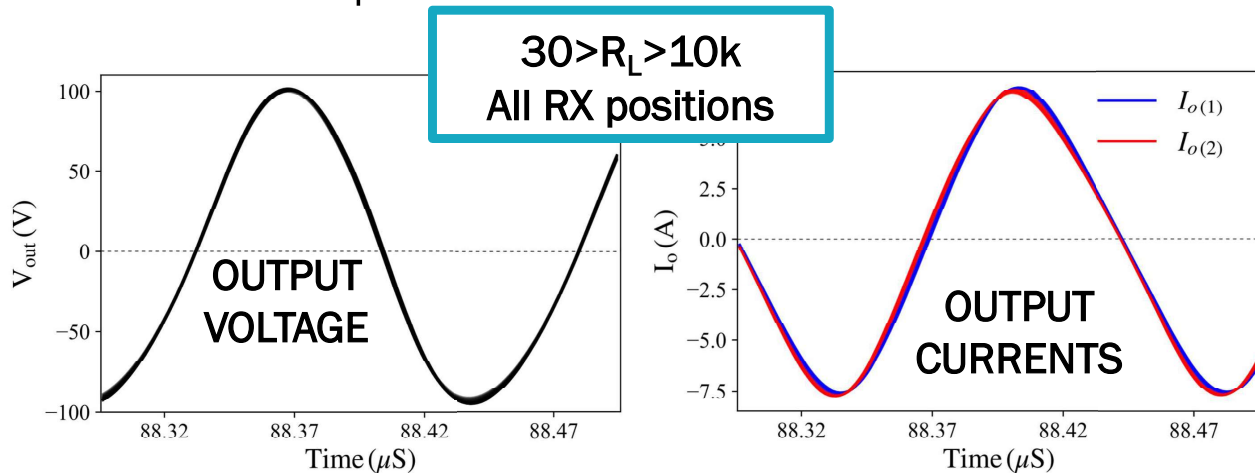
## MODIFIED LOAD\_INDEPENDENT INVERTER



L<sub>1</sub>: 88uH, Q<sub>1</sub>: GaN E-HEMT Gan system GS66504B, S<sub>1</sub>: G2RL-1A  
C<sub>1</sub>: 660pF, C<sub>2</sub>: 696pF,  
L<sub>2</sub>: 283nH,  
C<sub>32</sub>: 4700pF, C<sub>31</sub>: 526pF,  
L<sub>TX</sub>: 1.42uH (TX COIL),  
Driver: ISL55111IRZ

## SAME RF CURRENT FOR ANY RX POSITION AND MANY LOADS

- Currents in both TX coils are the same for any RX position and RX load ( $R_L > 30 \text{ Ohm}$  and purely resistive)
- Constant output voltage and currents for 25 load and 20 different RX positions.



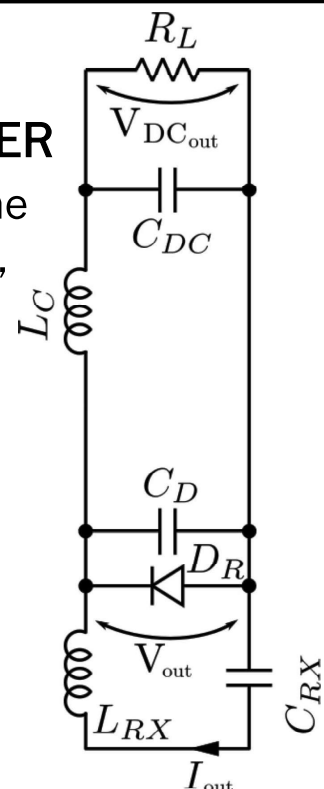
## THE WHOLE DC-DC SYSTEM

- RF-to-DC resonant rectifier specs:
  - To have a constant input reactance
  - To act as A DC voltage source is challenging.
- The multiple nonlinearities need the rectifier to be optimised together with the whole DC- AC link to account for all the mutual effects
- HB design of the rectifier can reduce the simulation time by three orders
- Non uniform (amplitude) currents on the two TX coils would cause a major variation on the output voltage (valid for a variation of the position or load)
- Phase dfference between the TX coil currents results in strong idle losses: the quality factor of the transmitting coil is reduced by one half.

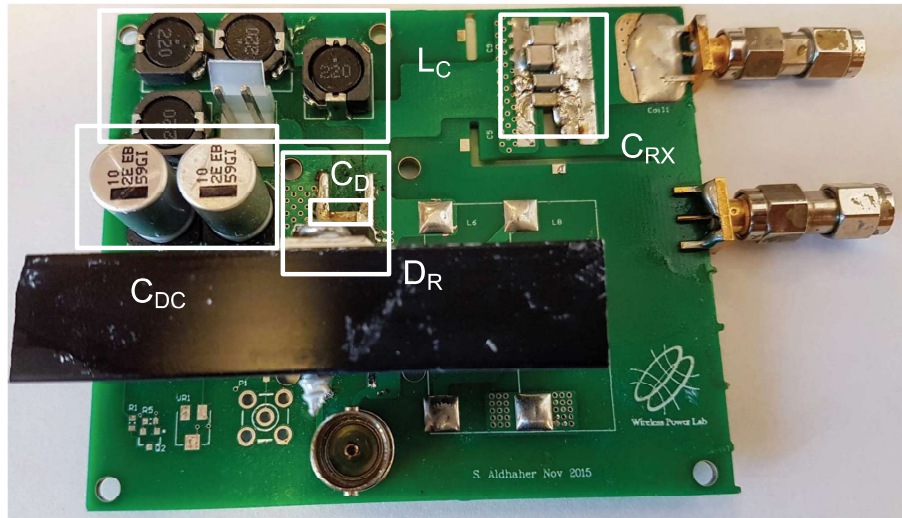
## CLASS-E RECTIFIER DESIGN

### THE RF-RF LINK IS AN IMPEDANCE INVERTER

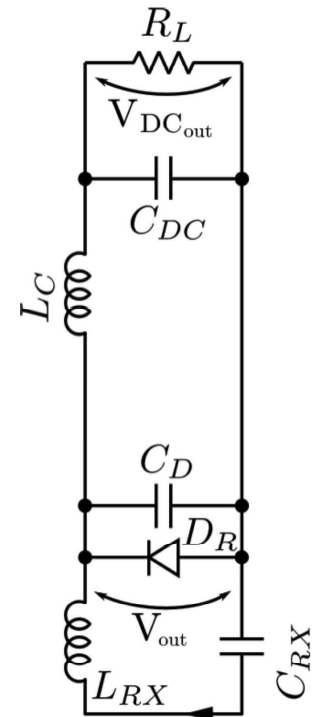
- The rectifier input is designed such that from the TX side is seen as a purely resistive impedance, for any RX position
- Nonlinear optimization with  $C_D$  and  $C_{RX}$  as the variables
- Zero-reactance ensures load-Independent operation of the Class EF Inverter.
- Soft switching and constant current



## CLASS-E RECTIFIER PROTOTYPE



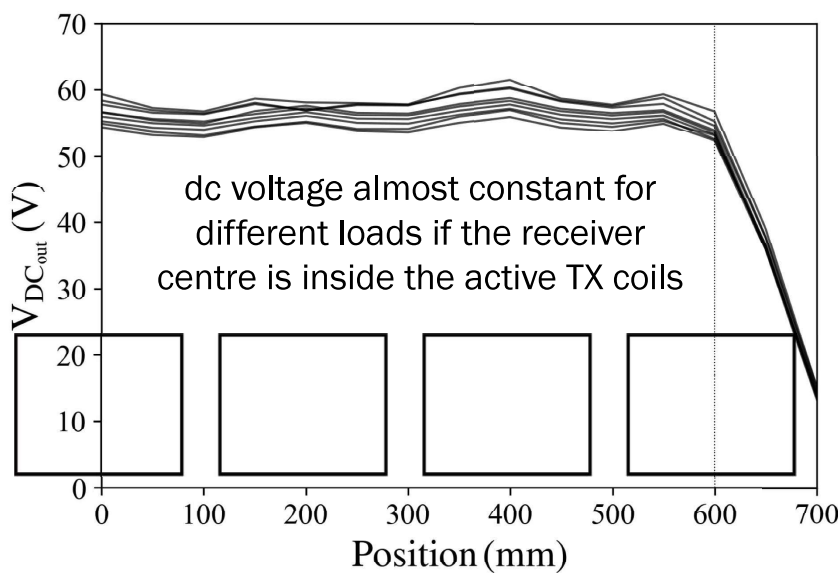
$L_C$ : 88uH,  $D_R$ : C3D02060F,  $C_D$ : 33pF,  $C_{DC}$ : 20uF,  
 $C_{RX}$ : 498pF,  $L_{RX}$ : 1.7uH (RX COIL)



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## MEASURED DC OUTPUT VOLTAGE



RX moves over the selected active coils

as the receiver moves out of the last active coil, the output voltage drops

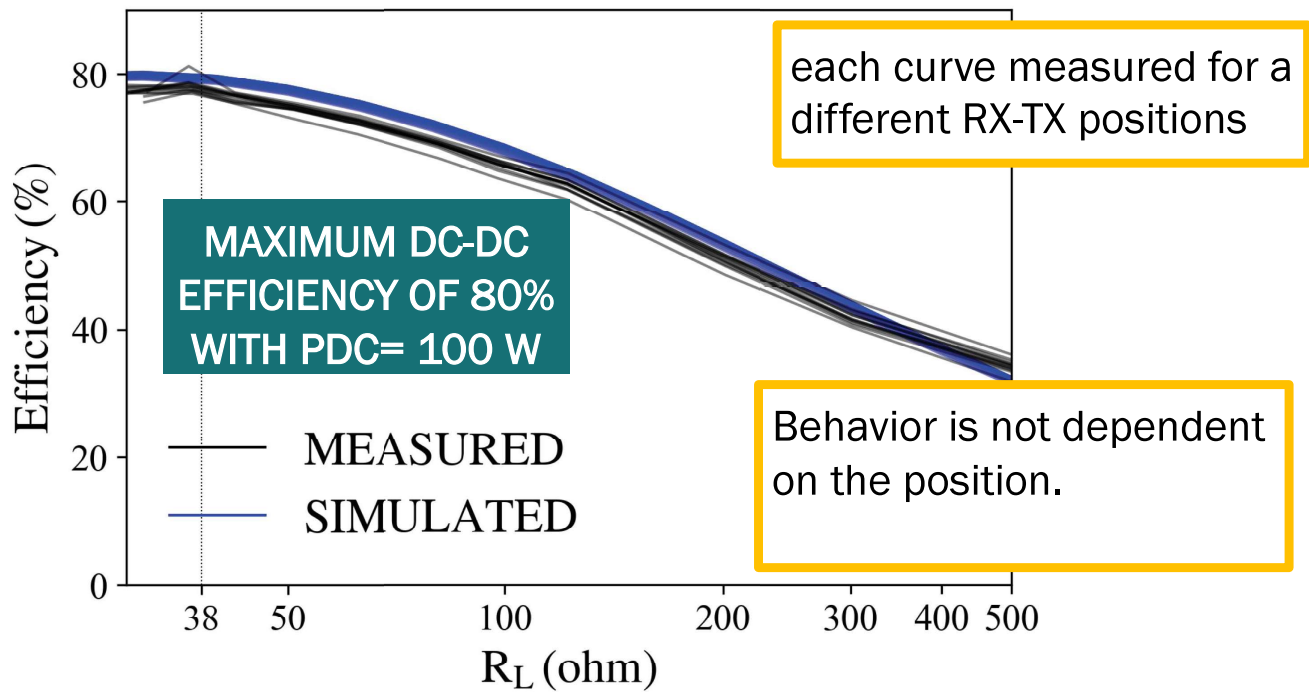
this proves the effectiveness of the geometry optimisation

A. Pacini, A. Costanzo, S. Aldhafer, and P. D. Mitcheson, "Load- and Position-Independent Moving MHz WPT System Based on GaN- Distributed Current Sources", IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques, vol. 65, no. 12, pp. 5367–5376, Dec. 2017. doi: 10.1109/tmtt.2017.2768031.

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## DC-DC EFFICIENCY



## QUESTIONS ?





# Wireless Grid Integration of EVs for V2G Applications : Challenges and Technologies

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Electric vehicles (EVs) are gaining global acceptance as the means of future transport for sustainable living and as an alternative energy storage to stabilize the electricity network through the vehicle-to-grid (V2G) concept. For V2G applications, EVs essentially require a bi-directional power interface with the electricity network (grid) to allow for both storing (charging) and retrieval (discharging) of energy. This can be achieved by both wired and wireless means, but the latter, based primarily on Inductive Power Transfer (IPT) technology, is becoming more popular being convenient, safe, and ideal for both stationary and dynamic charging of EVs. The seminar discusses the standards, challenges and future directions of V2G technologies, and presents the latest advances in bi-directional wireless power transfer (BD-WPT) technology developed for V2G applications.





# Wireless Grid Integration of EVs for V2G Applications : Challenges & Technologies

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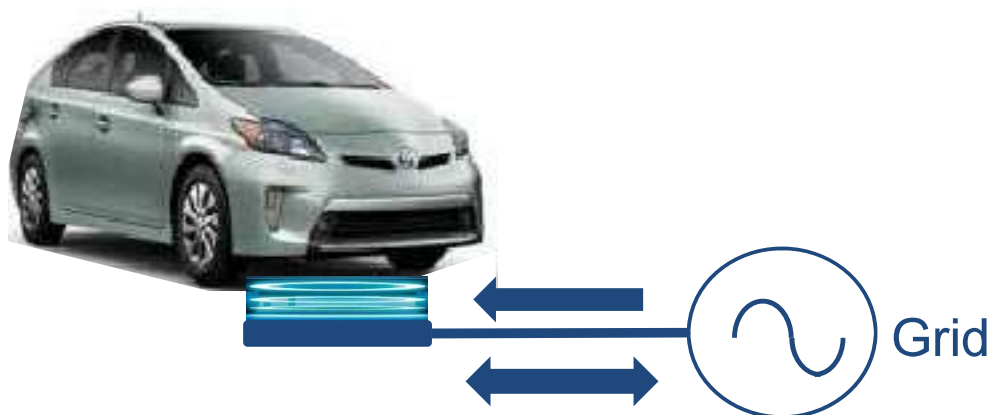
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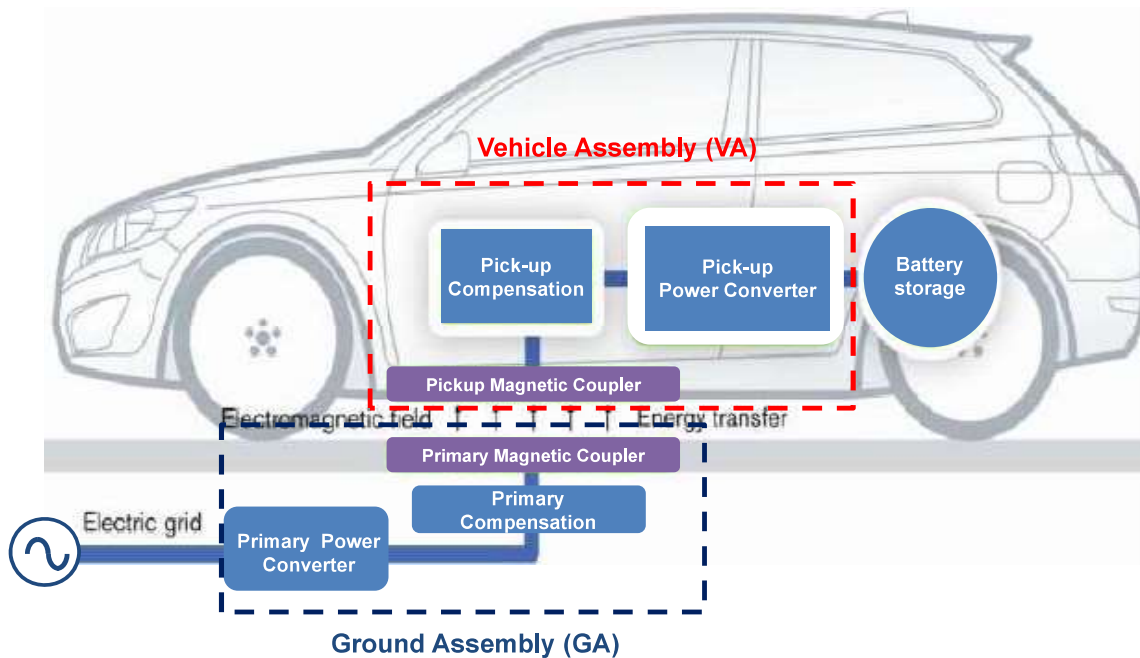
## Wireless EV Charging

Based on:

- *Inductive Power Transfer (IPT) technology*



# Wireless EV Charging



## Challenges (Wireless EV Charging)

- Charging
  - stationary, or both stationary & dynamic (~ 25 kW !)
- Uni- or bi-directional power flow at high frequency operation
- Controlling power converters
  - High order resonant (SS/SP/PP etc) circuits with active & passive control
- Magnetic pad (coupler) design, interoperability & alignment
- Communication between VA & GA
  - Tariff, synchronization, demand side management, etc.
- Compliance with standards (ICNIRP) related to
  - Safety, EMFs, FoD & LoD, radiated and conducted emissions, etc
- Physical construction, cost, robustness etc

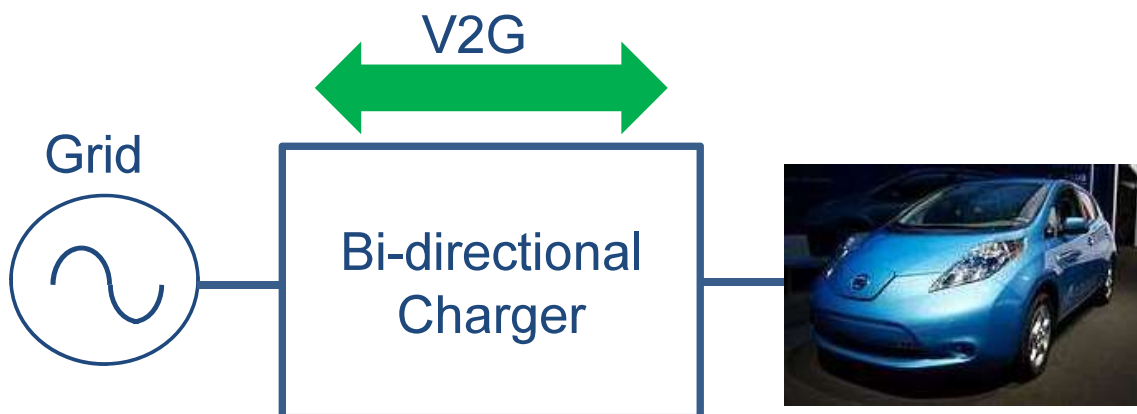
## Standards *(Wireless EV Charging)*

- Being implemented by SAE : TIR J2954(LDEVs), J2954/2 (HDEVs)
  - Safety, performance, interoperability, communication, control, EMF exposure, etc.
- EVs are expected to be compatible with J1772 chargers
- Nominal frequency of operation is set as 85 kHz (79 kHz to 90.00 kHz )
- Minimum target efficiency is 85% (80% offset) for WPT1-3

| Classification:<br>Light duty EVs | WPT1    | WPT2    | WPT3   | WPT4   |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| Maximum VA<br>rating              | 3.7 kVA | 7.7 kVA | 11 kVA | 22 kVA |

## V2G Compatible EVs

- Main requirement is the 'bi-directional' charger with communication



# Standards & V2G Compatible EVs

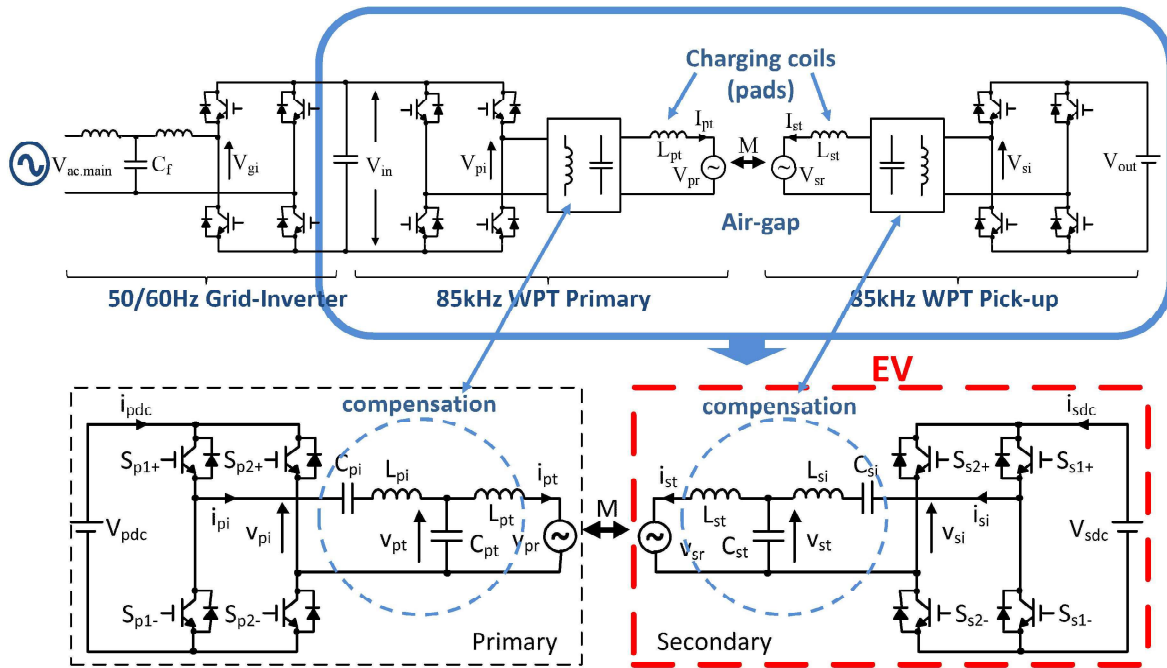
- IEC standard for V2X systems is expected in 2019
- CHAdeMO is currently the only system that complies to standards (IEC 61851-23, EN50118), relevant to bi-directional energy flow
- Globally, except China, CHAdeMO is the most widely used charging system offering V2X chargers
- According to literature three EVs currently have V2G compatibility,
  - ✓ *Nissan Leaf, Nissan e-NV200, Mitsubishi Outlander*



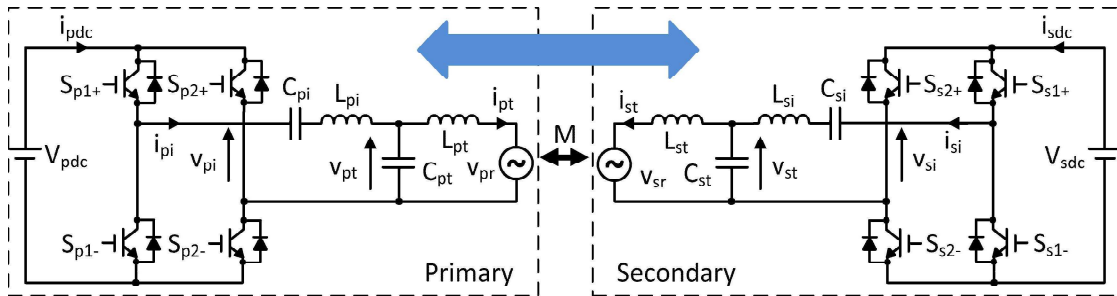
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## Bi-directional WPT (BD-WPT) Systems for V2G Applications

# A typical Bi-directional WPT System

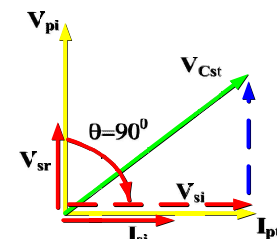


## Control of Bi-directional WPT Systems



$$P_o = \frac{-M}{\omega_s L_{pt} L_{st}} \frac{8}{\pi^2} V_{pdc} V_{sdc} \sin(\theta) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_p}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_s}{2}\right)$$

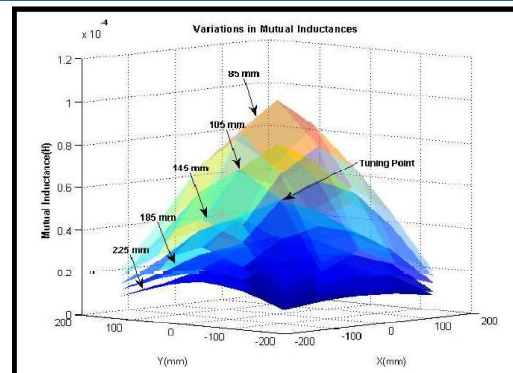
- An 8<sup>th</sup> order resonant (tuned) system
- Controlled with **phase-modulation**
- Proper control and synchronization are vital





# Control Techniques for BD-WPT Systems

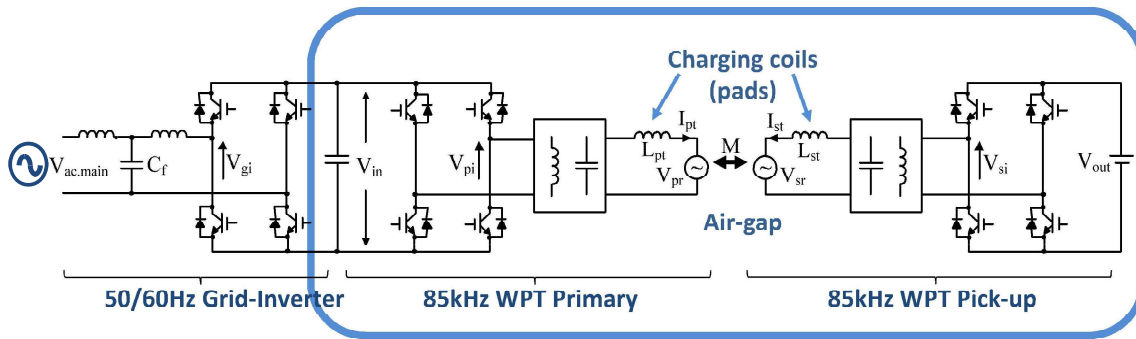
## Impact of Pad Misalignment



$$P_o = \frac{-M}{\omega_s L_{pt} L_{st}} \frac{8}{\pi^2} V_{pdc} V_{sdc} \sin(\theta) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_p}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_s}{2}\right)$$

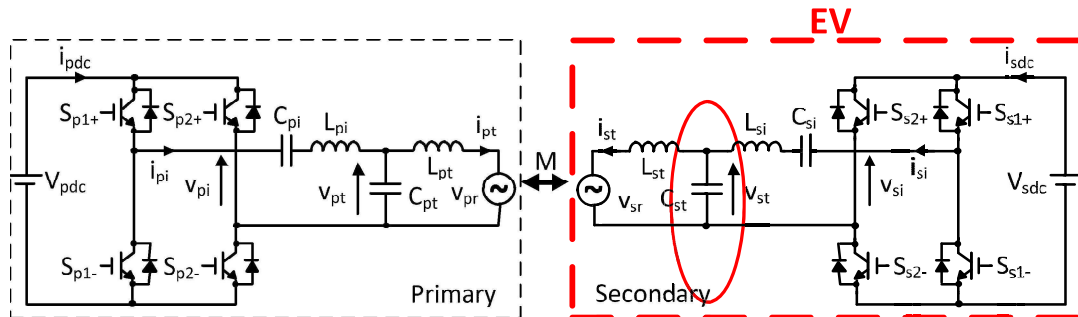
- Self & mutual inductances vary due to pad misalignments in 3-D
  - Detunes the system increasing losses and reducing power delivery
  - **May adopt special and large pads, but at an increased cost!**

# A P-Q Controller



- Regulates power flow in both directions
- Uses active (P) and reactive (Q) power on the pick-up side
- Provides synchronization without any direct communication
- Ensures operation at no or minimum Q
- Tolerant to pad-misalignment and variation in component values

## A P-Q Controller : Concept

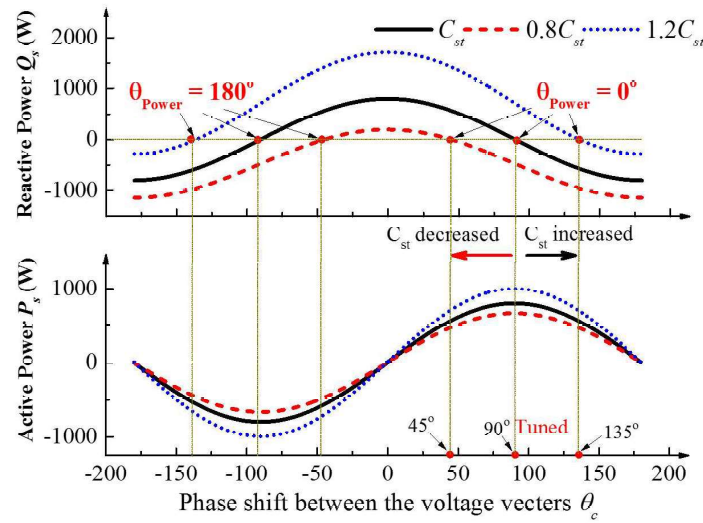


$$S_s = P_s + j Q_s \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{power} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{P_s}{\sqrt{P_s^2 + Q_s^2}} \right) = F(\theta_c, \phi_p, \phi_s, \omega, Z_{p,s})$$

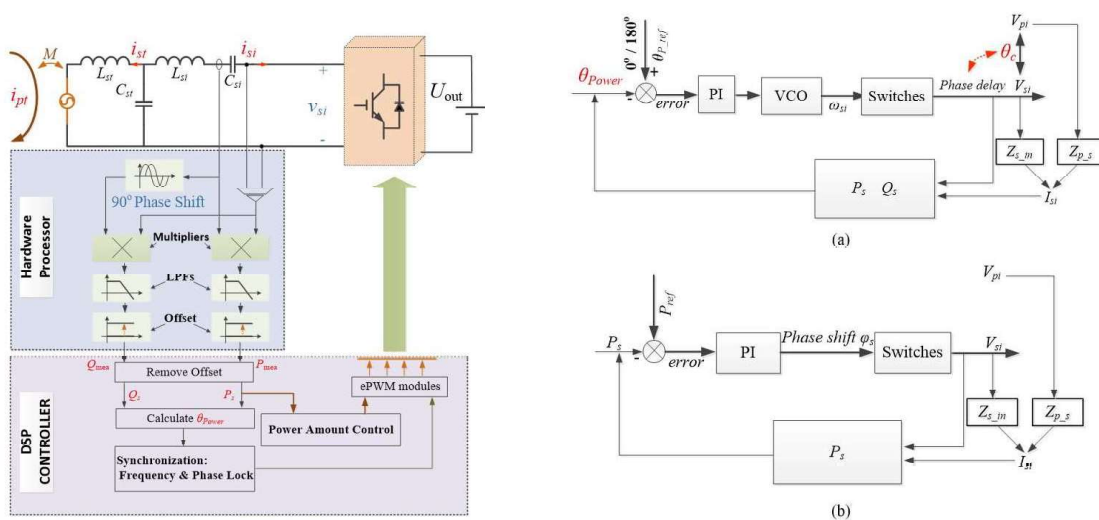
Under tuned conditions

$$P_s = \frac{-M}{\omega_s L_{pt} L_{st}} \frac{8}{\pi^2} V_{pdc} V_{sdc} \sin(\theta) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_p}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_s}{2}\right)$$

# A P-Q Controller : Concept



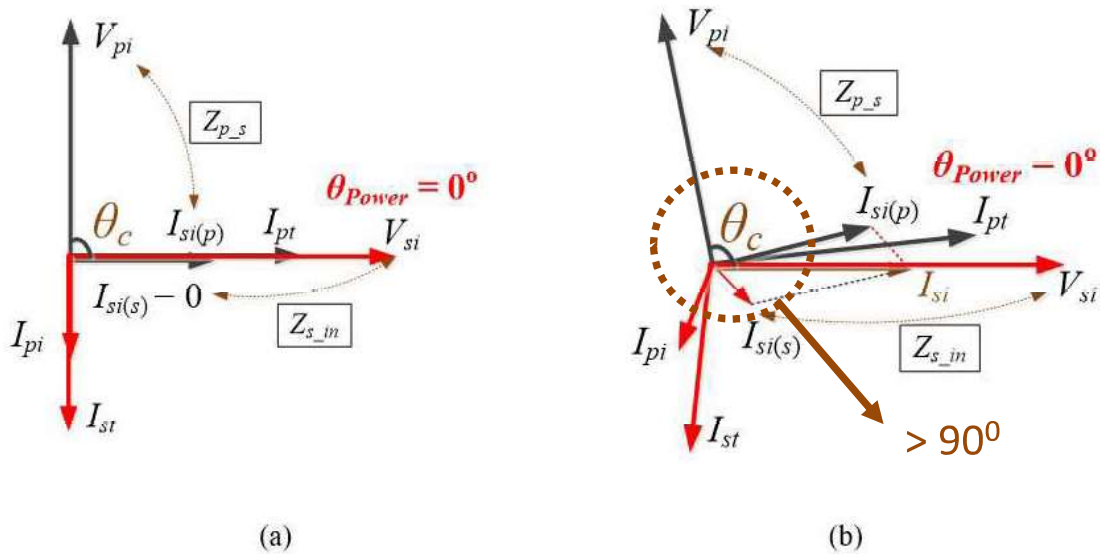
# A P-Q Controller : Implementation



Proposed control technique

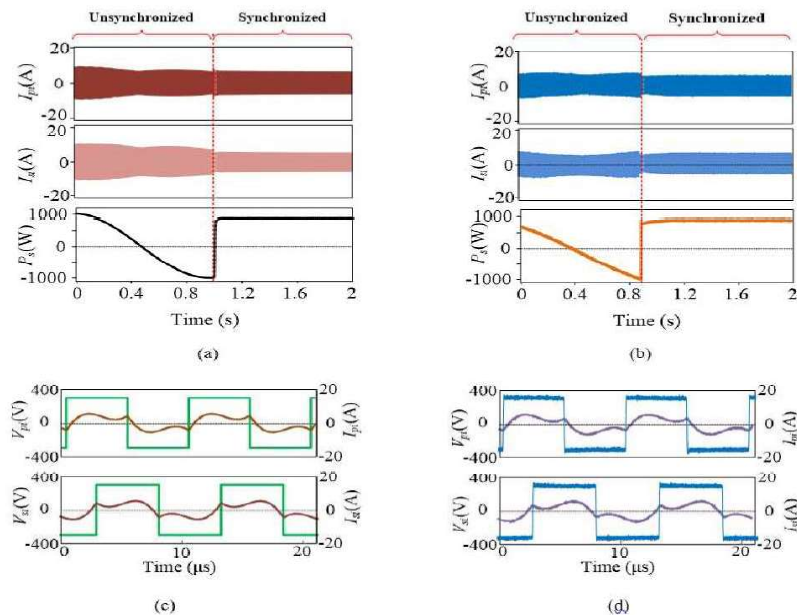
Control block diagrams (a) synchronization (b) amount of power transfer

# A P-Q Controller : Results



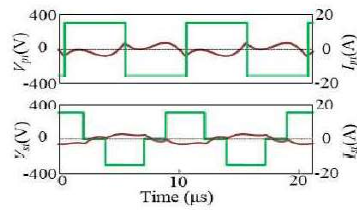
Phasor representations under (a) tuned (b) detuned conditions

# A P-Q Controller : Results

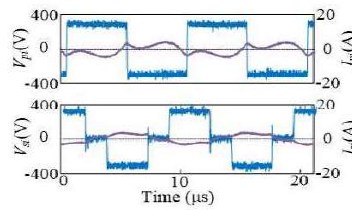


Waveforms of synchronizing process (a) Simulated (b) Experimental Synchronized waveforms (c) Simulated (d) Experimental

# A P-Q Controller : Results

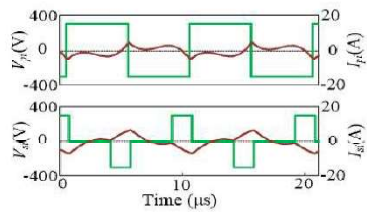


(a)

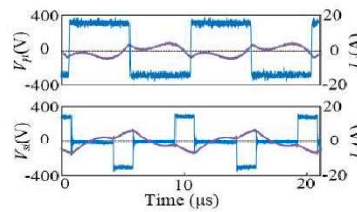


(b)

Waveforms for 450 W when pads are misaligned by 150mm (a) Simulated (b) Experimental



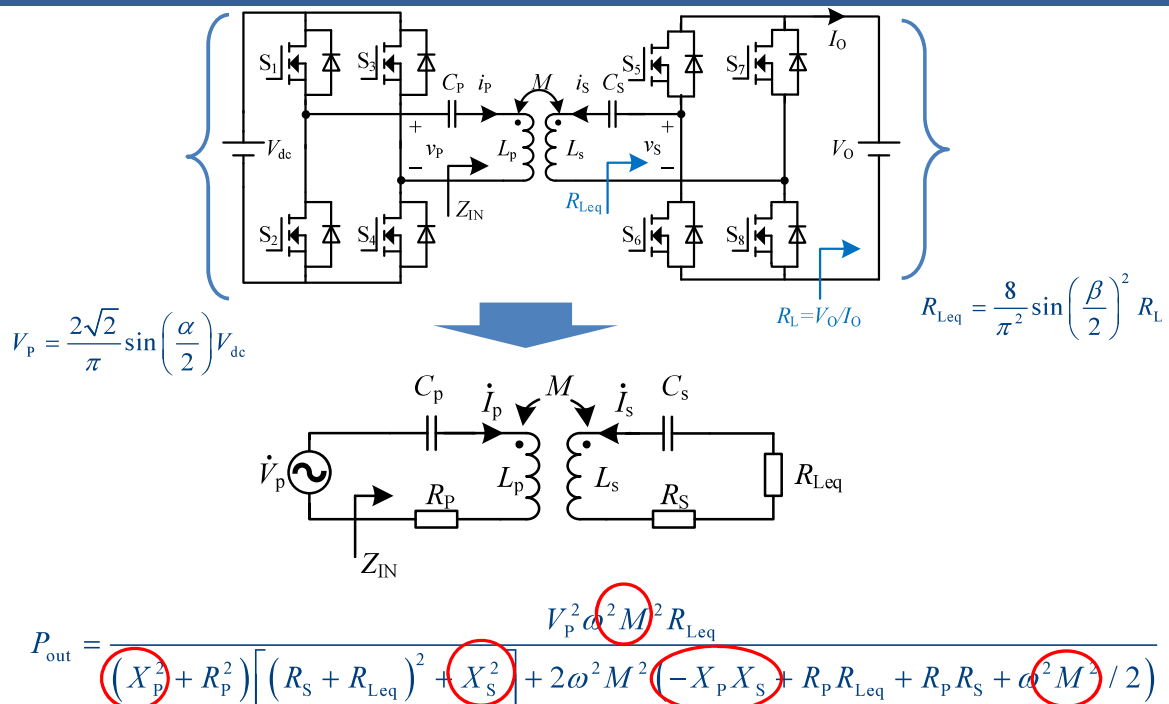
(a)



(b)

Waveforms for 450 W when  $C_{st}$  is detuned (a) Simulated (b) Experimental

# A New P-Q Controller





# A New P-Q Controller : Concept

## ➤ Secondary regulates power/voltage

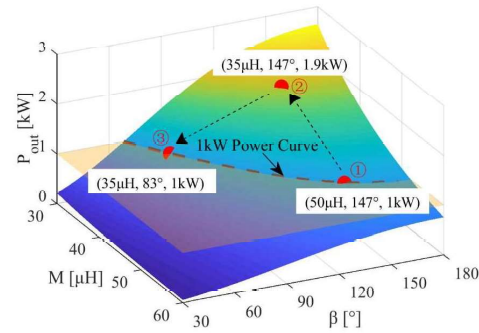
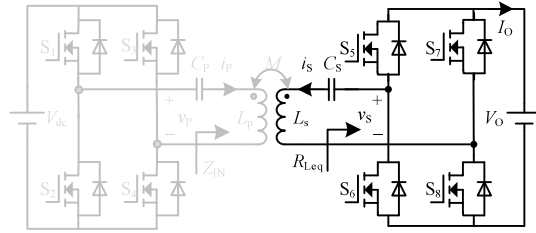
- With fast response & no communication
- $P_{out}$  depends on  $R_{Leq}$  controlled by  $\beta$

$$P_{out} = f(R_{Leq}, M, \alpha)$$

## ➤ Only one unique $\beta$

for any given  $M$  &  $\alpha$  !

## ➤ Best combination of $\alpha$ & $\beta$ ?



# A New P-Q Controller : Concept

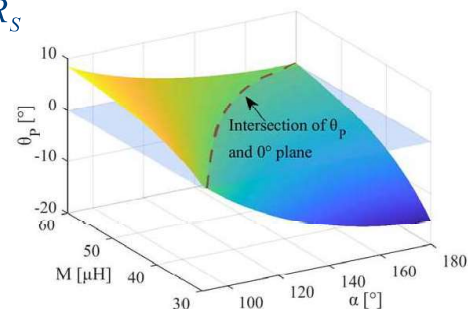
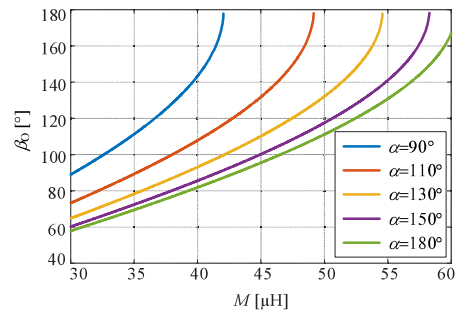
- Various ' $\alpha$ ' gives various  $\beta_o$  ( $R_{LeqO}$ ) for given  $P_{out}$
- As  $\alpha$  changes  $\beta_o$  changes too.

## ➤ Find $R_{Leq}$ that gives primary ZPA

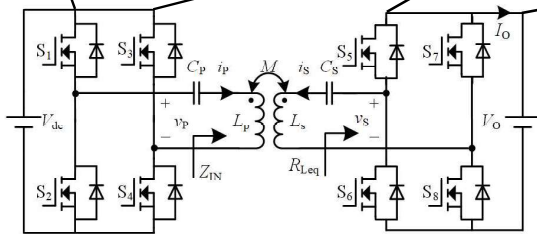
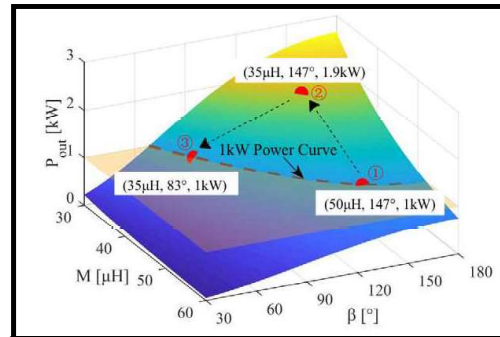
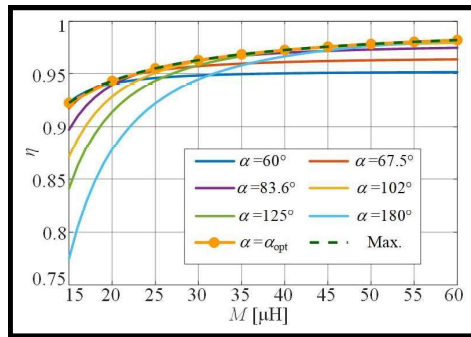
$$R_{LeqZ} \Big|_{\text{Im}(Z_{IN})=0} = \sqrt{\frac{X_s}{X_p}} \cdot \sqrt{\omega^2 M^2 - X_p X_s} - R_s$$

- Changing  $\alpha$  to track ZPA means:

$$R_{LeqO} = R_{LeqZ}$$



# A New P-Q Controller : Optimal ' $\alpha_o$ ' & ' $\beta_o$ '

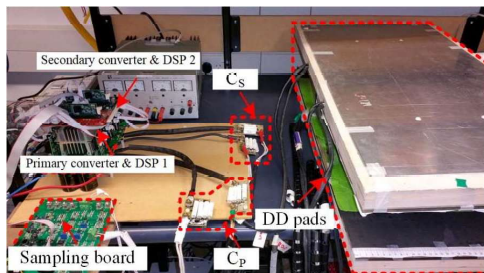


➤ Satisfies 2 goals simultaneously

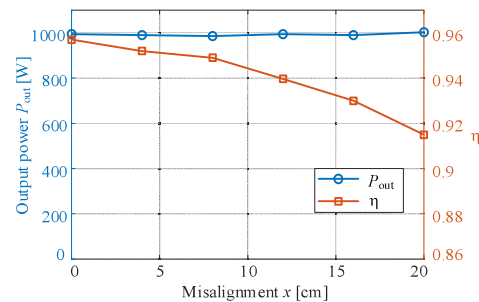
- ZPA & constant output power
- Optimal system efficiency

$$R_{LeqO} = R_{LeqZ}$$

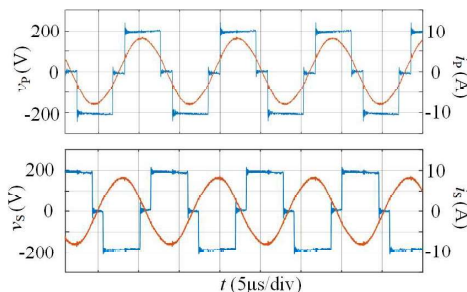
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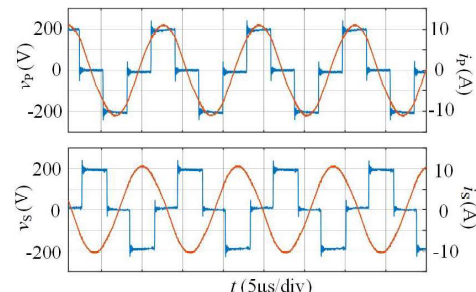
(a) Prototype



(b) Output power and system efficiency



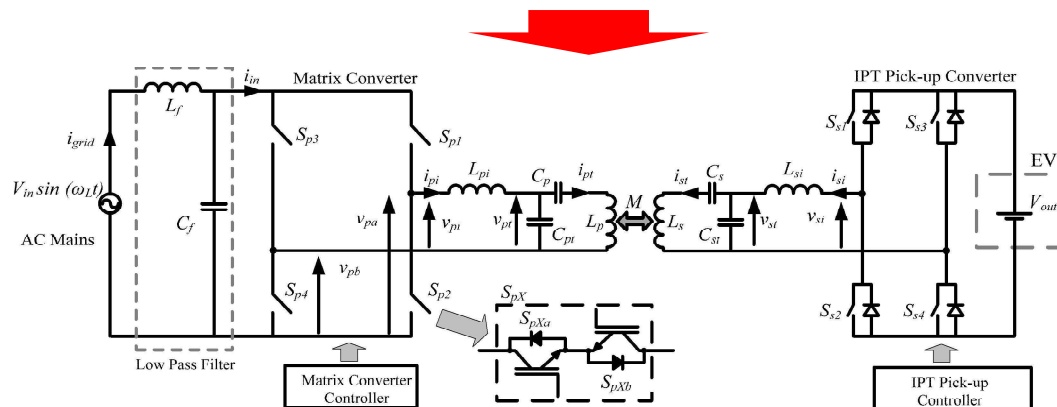
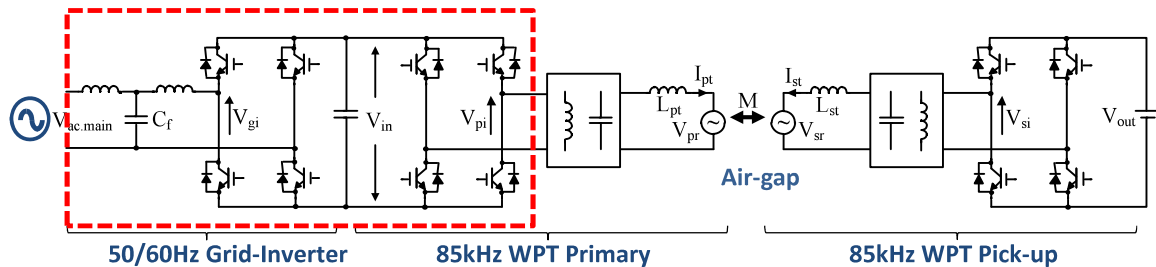
(c) Steady waveforms at x=8cm



(d) Steady waveforms at x=20cm

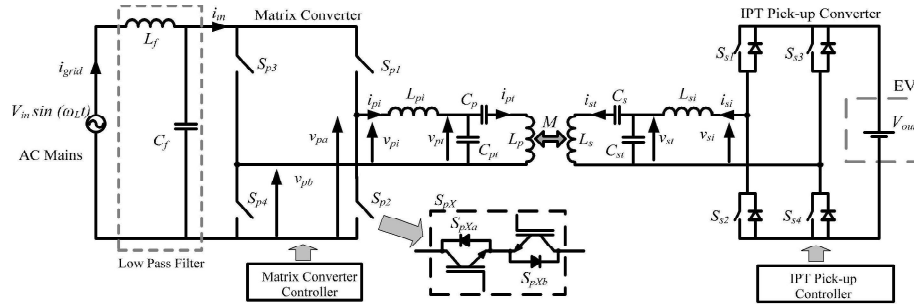
# A BD-WPT System based on Matrix Converters

## A BD-WPT System based on a matrix converter



# A BD-WPT System

based on a matrix converter



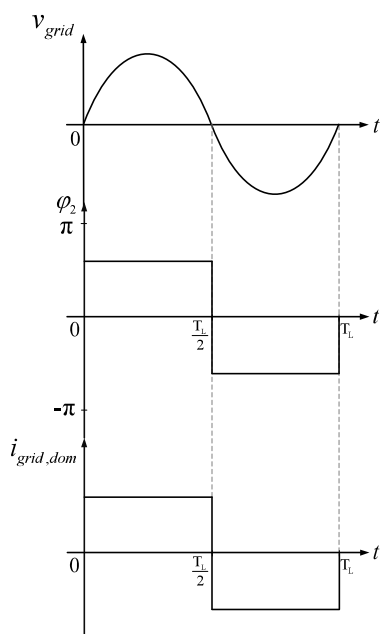
- Direct low frequency AC to high frequency AC conversion
  - Does not require a large filter inductor or DC-link capacitors
  - Reduced number of conversion stages
  - Each bidirectional switch is operated at 50% duty cycle at resonant frequency
  - Employs a current direction based commutation algorithm
  - Complex control strategies required to ensure reliable operation

$$i_{grid}(t) = \frac{V_{in} L_f C_f \omega_L \sin\left(\omega_L t + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{1 - \omega_L^2 L_f C_f} - \frac{\psi \sin(2\omega_L t + \theta)}{1 - 4\omega_L^2 L_f C_f} - \psi \sin\theta$$

$$P_{in+} = \frac{-16 M V_{in} V_{out}}{\pi^3 \omega_T L_{pt} L_{si}} \sin\left(\frac{\phi_1}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_2}{2}\right) \sin(\theta)$$

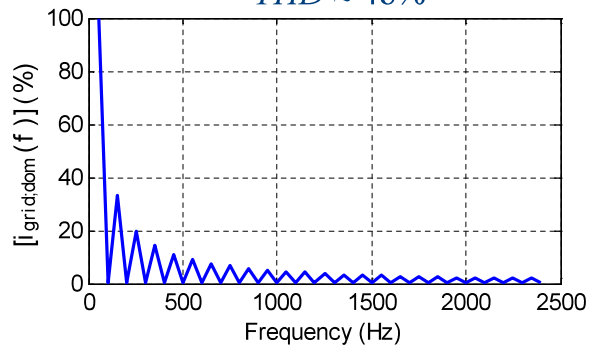
# A BD-WPT System

based on a matrix converter



$$i_{grid,dom}(t) = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \frac{M}{\omega_T L_{pt} L_{si}} V_{out} \sin\left(\frac{\phi_1}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\phi_2}{2}\right) \sin\theta$$

THD  $\approx$  48%



- Attenuation of grid current harmonics is essential
- PWM based modulation techniques cannot be directly employed

# A BD-WPT System

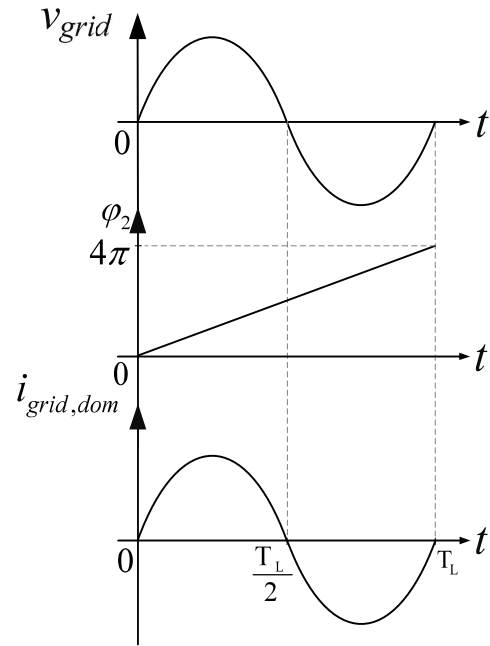
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$$i_{grid,dom}(t) = \hat{i}_{grid,dom} \sin\left(\frac{\varphi_2}{2}\right)$$

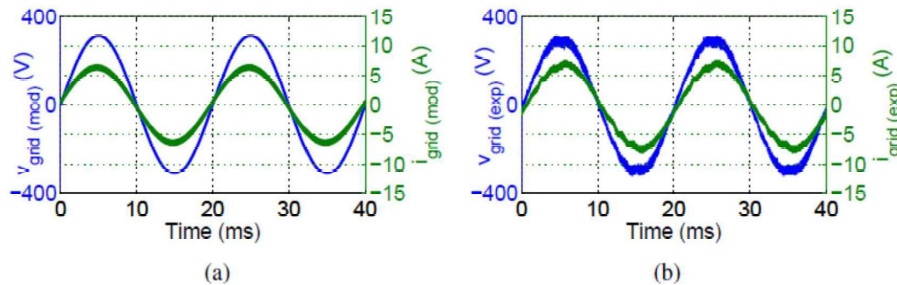
where

$$\hat{i}_{grid,dom} = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \frac{M}{\omega_T L_{pl} L_{si}} V_{out} \left| \sin\left(\frac{\varphi_1}{2}\right) \sin\theta \right|$$

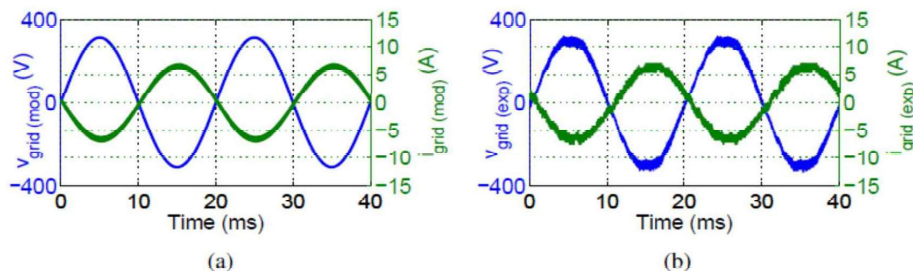
$$\varphi_2 = \frac{4\pi}{T_L} t$$



## Forward & Reverse Power Flow



$i_{grid}$  for maximum power in forward direction at  $\varphi_1 = \pi$  and  $\theta = -\pi/2$  (a) theoretical and (b) experimental

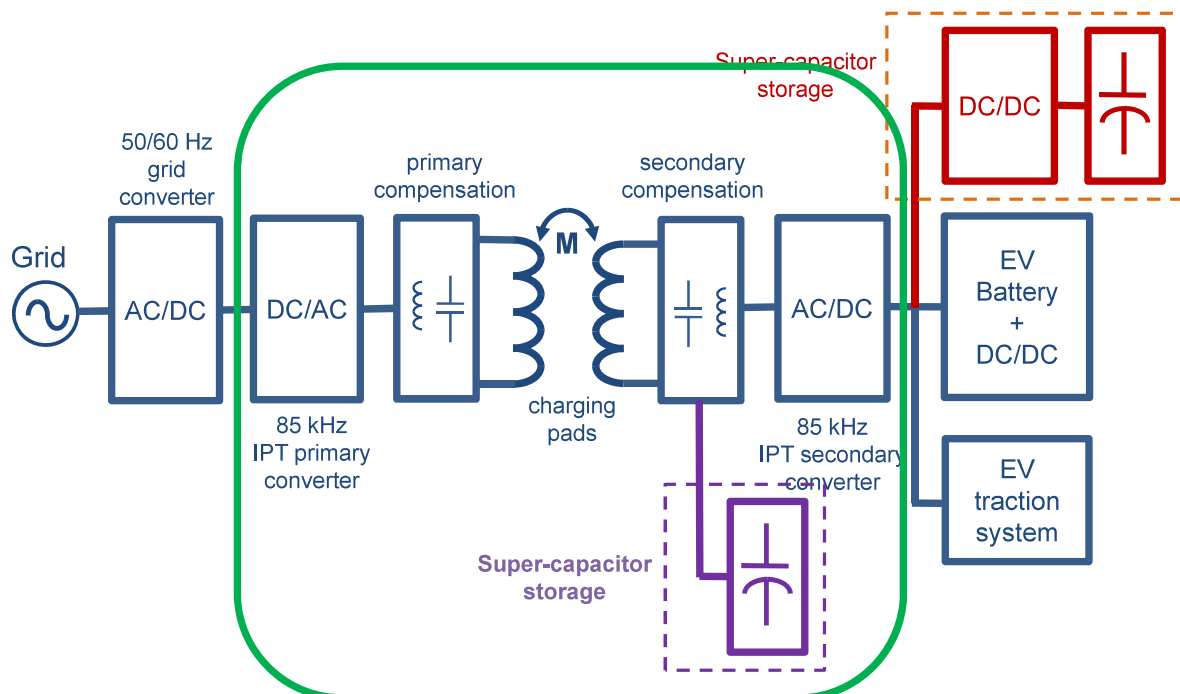


$i_{grid}$  for maximum power in reverse direction at  $\varphi_1 = \pi$  and  $\theta = \pi/2$  (a) theoretical and (b) experimental.

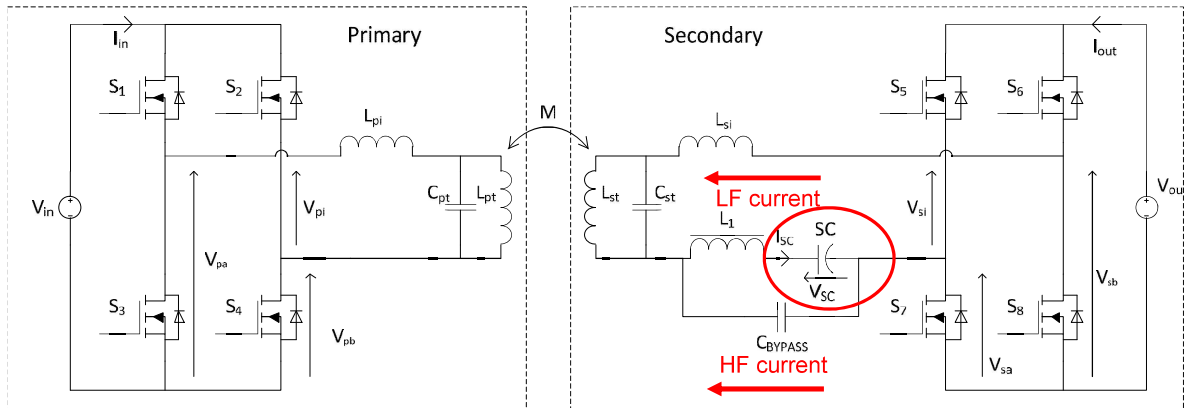


# Dynamic EV Charging *with pulsed power*

## A Hybrid BD-WPT system for dynamic charging

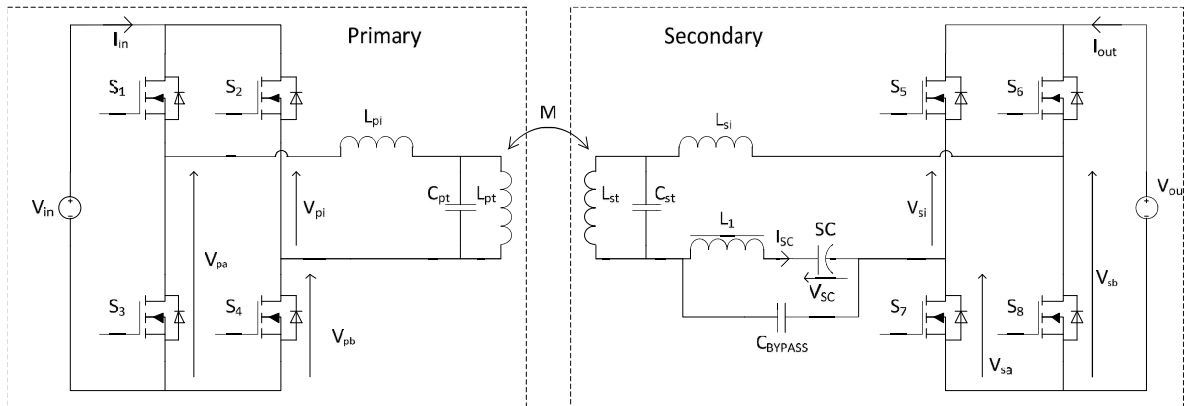


# A Hybrid BD-WPT system for dynamic charging



- An integrated (in primary or secondary) super-capacitor (SC) bank
- Eliminates the extra converter stage
- Allows for both storage and retrieval of energy in 9 modes of operations

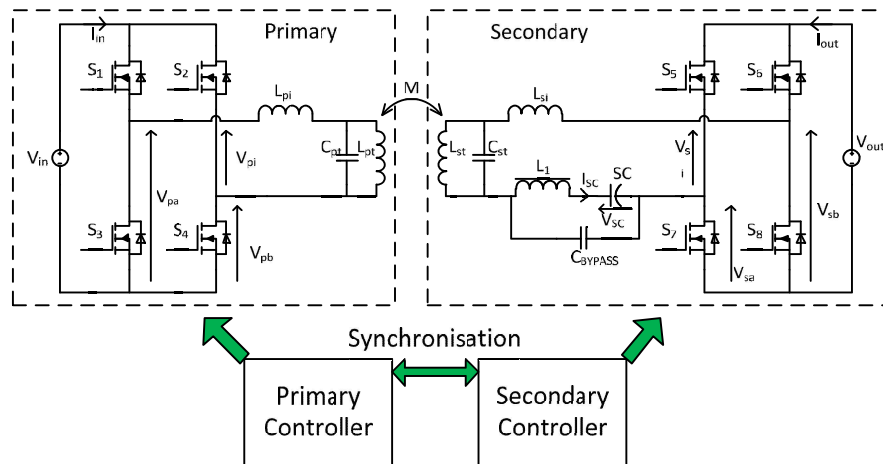
## Modes of Operation



$$P_{out} = \frac{4MV_{in}V_{out}}{\pi^3 L_{pt} L_{st} f_{sw}} \sin \theta \sin \frac{\varphi_p}{2} \sin \frac{\varphi_s}{2} \cos \frac{\pi D}{2}$$

Where D is the Duty cycle offset between legs of secondary converter

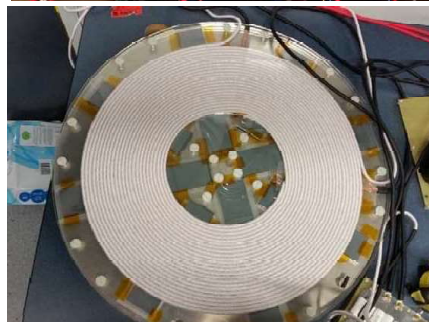
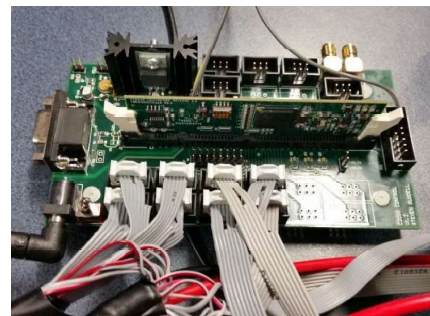
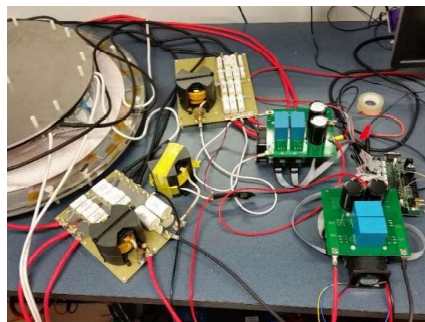
# Control



- Primary controller sets the power to/from grid
- Secondary controller sets the power to/from EV and SC
- Synchronisation to allow bi-directional power transfer

## Experimental Results

- 3.7 kW nominal rating, LCL tuning, 90 F super capacitor



# Experimental Results

