

PowerPad Primary Transmitter

## PowerPad

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#### What is the PowerPad?

- Wireless power transfer solution
- Power range: 300-1500W
- Composed of primary transmitter, secondary receiver
- Proprietary coil technology achieves >80% efficiency [1]
- Global inductive charging revenue set to eclipse \$11.8 billion by 2020 [2]

#### What can the Alpha-prototype do?

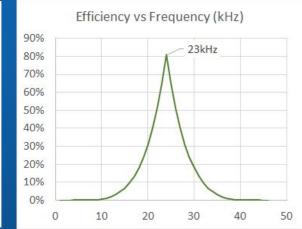
- Up to 95% efficient depending on distance
- Low power test
- Efficiency will increase at higher power due to better resonance
- Inter-terminal communications (Bluetooth)
  - Secondary terminal temperature monitoring

### The Alpha Hardware

- NMOS transistors are used in a half bridge configuration for simplicity
- Half bridge creates adjustable frequency AC signal
- Resonance
  - Avoid adding capacitance & inductance
- Resonance depends on inductance of coils and resonant capacitors
- Resonant frequency at approximately 23 kHz
- Proprietary coil topology
- Optimizes power transfer efficiency
- Challenges in maximizing efficiency
- Avoid parasitic resistances
- Low power trials for proof of concept



Plot of power transfer efficiency as a function of distance between terminals at 3.5A p-p current in the primary coil



Projected plot of power transfer efficiency as a function of IGBT switching frequency



Final PowerPad Concept

#### The Future of the PowerPad

- The gamma prototype will have increased functionality & efficiency
- Efficiency goal: >80% at 15cm
- Monitor efficiency in real time
- Automatically align terminals
- Detect foreign objects

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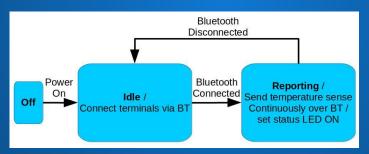
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#### The Alpha Software

- Connect  $BT \rightarrow begin power transfer$
- Secondary: report temperature to primary
- Temperature too high → primary suspends IGBT control
- $\circ$  Temperature drops  $\rightarrow$  power transfer resumes



Secondary receiver state machine

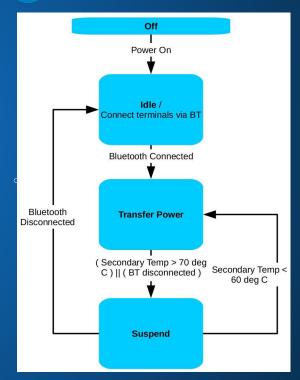
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Primary transmitter state machine