

Wireless Charging in Consumer Applications

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- Wireless power-transfer principles
- Main existing standards and key differences
- Introduction to Magnetic Induction power transfer
- ST solutions for Wireless Power Transmitters
- ST solutions for Wireless Power Receivers
- Upcoming solutions preview



### Wireless Power at a Glance

#### Similar technology **Different Implementation**

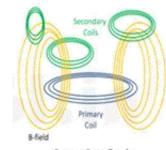


Depends on close proximity and significant portion of the primary coil B fields intersecting the secondary coil

#### **Magnetic induction**

**Advantages** simple, efficient, safe, power scalable, mature Key technology challenges shield, coil alignment, good coupling Disadvantages limited x/y/z space, difficult for multiple device operation simultaneously

#### **Magnetic resonance**



Resonant Power Transfer Depends only on secondary coils intersecting a reasonable amount of primary coil flux lines

**Advantages** spatial freedom, multiple devices support, larger charging area Key technology challenges power scalable, environment safety, TX and RX design **Disadvantages** 

increased EMI, efficiency



#### is a member of Qi and AirFuel (former A4WP + PMA)



#### **Different Standards**

\*Qi – by Wireless Power Consortium \* PMA – by Power Matter Alliance A4WP – by Alliance for Wireless Power **Note**: A4WP and PMA merged in June 2015

- Baseline Power Profile: 5W (rel 1.2.3)
- Extended Power Profile: 15W (rel 1.2.3)
- Qi kitchen appliances Working Group from 100W to 2.4kW
- Resonant (Under Definition)



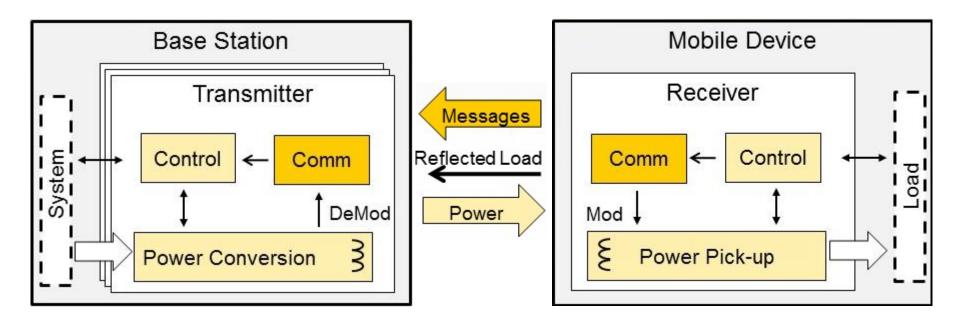


- PRU Category 1-7. PTU Class 1-6
- P<sub>RX</sub> Out Max from 3.5W to 50W (Cat. 1 TBD)
- P<sub>TX</sub> Input Max from 2W to 70W



## Magnetic Induction Power Transfer

WPC Qi/AirFuel Inductive (Was PMA)



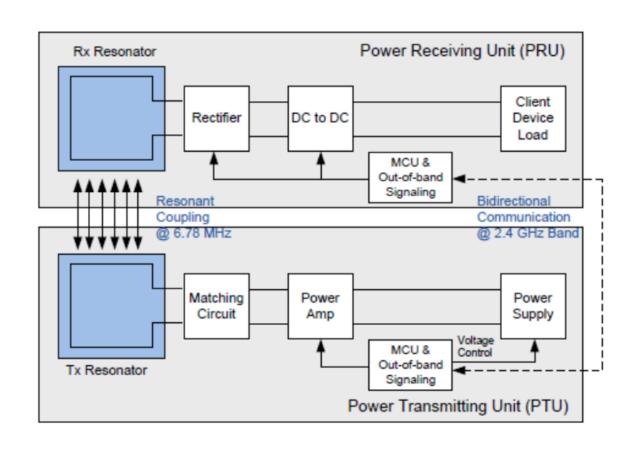
- Operating Frequency is 110-205kHz
- One Base Station typically powers one Mobile Device
- In-band digital link is used for identification of compatible devices and control
  of power levels (operates through the same coils used for power transfer)



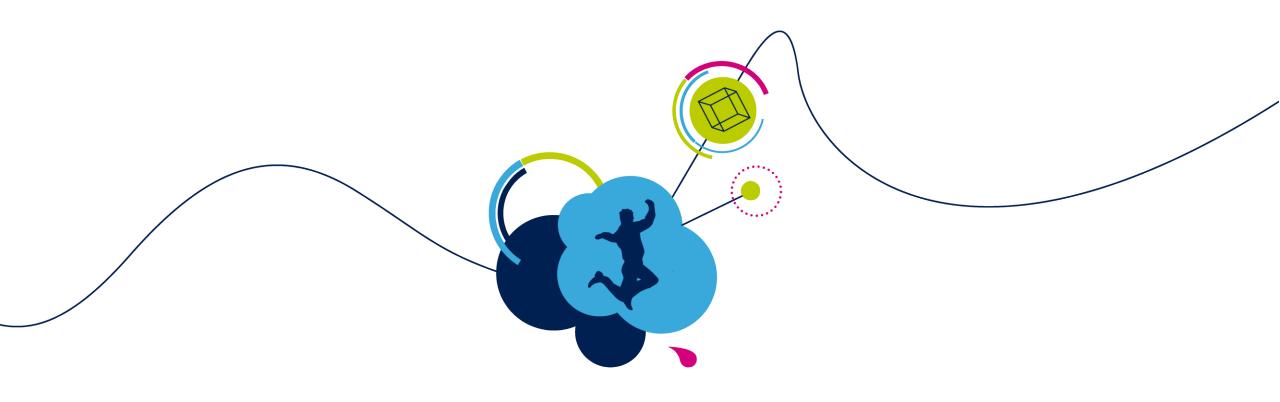
# Magnetic Resonance Power Transfer

### AirFuel Resonant

- Operating Frequency is 6.78MHz
- Multiple PRUs can be can be powered from a single PTU
- A Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) link is used for identification of compatible devices and control of power levels







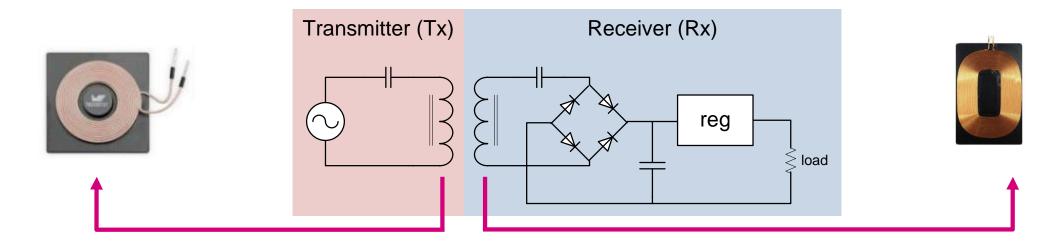
# Introduction to WPC Qi Battery Charging

(Magnetic Induction)



# Power Transfer Principles \_\_\_\_\_

- Tightly coupled wireless charging technology uses magnetic induction to transfer power from a transmitter (TX) to a receiver (RX)
- The magnetic field is generated by a **coil on the TX side**. The field is captured by a **coil on** the RX side. The field works through air, no magnetic circuit links the coils
- The received electrical signal is **rectified**, **filtered**, **and regulated** before supplying the load





# Magnetic Field Control

### by Adjusting Power

- To control the field, various solutions can be used (and combined):
  - Use the LC tank properties, changing the oscillator frequency.
  - Change the oscillator duty cycle (using a square wave oscillator)
  - Change the oscillator voltage.
  - Apply phase shift to a full bridge oscillator.

    Voltage

    Duty cycle

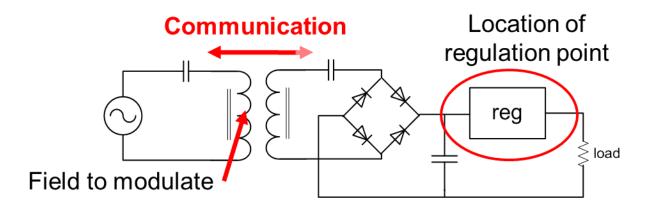
    Phase shift

    Phase shift



### Communication 9

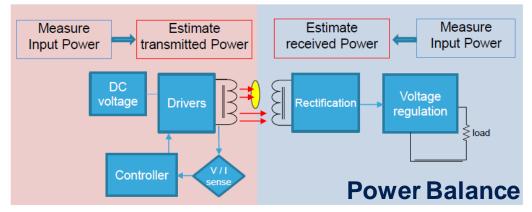
- Because there are too many variables (RX/TX coupling, RX & TX coils, load, ...), the TX cannot set the regulation point by itself. The RX will have to pass data to the TX about the regulation set point.
- This communication channel can also be used for auxiliary purposes and extended to bi-directional communication
- Qi 1.2.3 (latest public release) defines two communications methods:
  - Unidirectional: RX to TX only, ASK, for BPP (Baseline Power Profile). Same as in Qi 1.1
  - Bidirectional: RX to TX, ASK and TX to RX, FSK, for EPP (Extended Power Profile). Did not exist in Qi 1.1

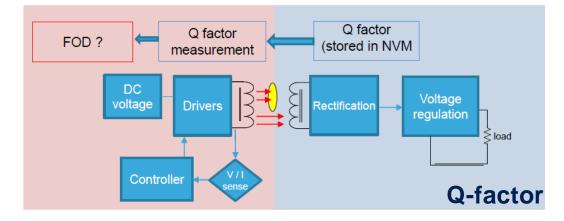




### RX Presence Detection and FOD

- Receiver Presence Detection
  - The transmitter generates a magnetic field at regular intervals and check if a load is present and consumes power.
- FOD (Foreign Object Detection)
  - Qi 1.2.3 defines two methods. Qi 1.1 only had one, Power Balance:
    - Power Balance: If the TX transmits more power than what the RX reports (including losses), a foreign object is present
    - Q-factor: Compares Q measured on TX side with reference value stored in RX NVM



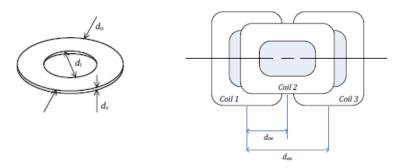




# Qi Power-Transmitter Design Overview

Design	Description	Family	Voltage	Control
A1	Single Primary Coil with magnet alignment	#1	19 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A2	Single movable Primary Coil	#1	12 V	Voltage
A3	Single movable Primary Coil	#2	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A4	Two oblong Primary Coils	#4	11 V	Voltage & Frequency
A5	Single Primary Coil with magnet alignment	#1	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A6	Linear array of Primary Coils	#5	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A7	Single movable Primary Coil	#2	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A8	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	11 V	Voltage & Frequency
A9	Single Primary Coil with magnet alignment	#1	15 V	Voltage & Frequency
A10	Single Primary Coil without magnet	#1	19 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A11	Single Primary Coil without magnet	#1	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A12	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A13	Linear array of Primary Coils	#5	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A14	Two oblong Primary Coils	#4	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A15	Single Primary Coil, user assisted alignment	#2	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A16	Single triangular Primary Coil	#6	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A17	Single Primary Coil	#1	15 V	Voltage & Frequency
A18	Single Primary Coil, user assisted alignment	#2	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A19	Dual Primary Coils	#5	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A20	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A21	Linear array of Primary Coils	#5	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A22	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	12 V	Voltage & Frequency
A23	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	12 V	Voltage, Frequency & Duty Cycle
A24	Single Primary Coil	#1	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A25	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A26	Single triangular Primary Coil	#6	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A27	Single Primary Coil	#8	12 V	Phase
A28	Linear array of Primary Coils	#5	5 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A29	Single Primary Coil	#1	12 V	Voltage control
A30	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle
A31	Single oblong Primary Coil	#4	12 V	Frequency & Duty cycle

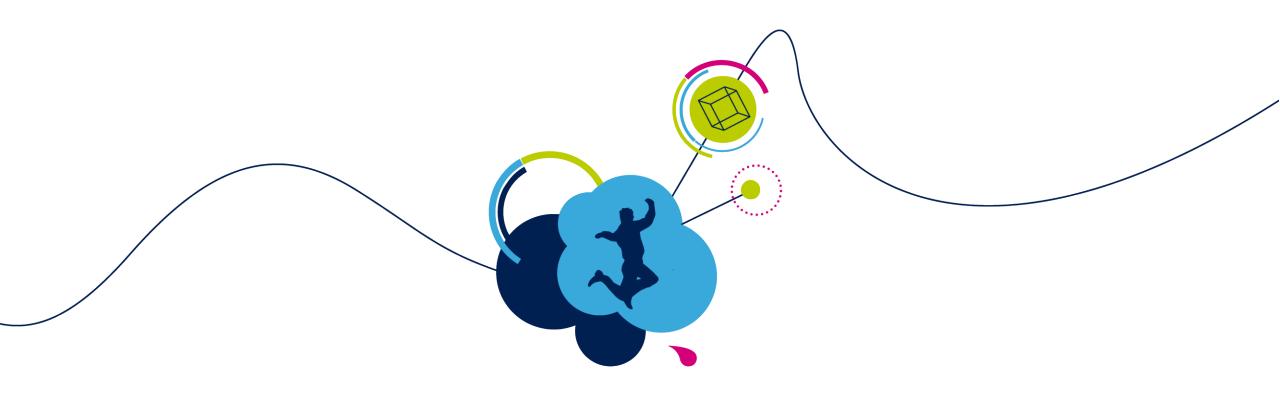
Design	Description	Family	Voltage	Control
B1	2D array of Primary Coils (Litz-wire based)	#3	20 V	Voltage
B2	2D array of Primary Coils (PCB based)	#3	20 V	Voltage
В3	2D array of Primary Coils (Litz/PCB hybrid)	#3	12 V	Phase
B4	Linear array of Primary Coils	#7	12 V	Phase
B5	Linear array of Primary Coils	#7	12 V	Phase
В6	Linear array of Primary Coils	#9	5 V	Phase



Family	Primary Coil Shape	Primary Coil Size
#1	Circular	Ø4043 mm
#2	Circular	Ø3339 mm
#2	Circular/hexagonal	Ø2832 mm
#4	Oblong	65×5770×60 mm <sup>2</sup>
#5	Rectangular	46.5×37.553×45 mm <sup>2</sup>
#6	Triangular	52×4659×52 mm <sup>2</sup>
#7	Square	45×45 mm <sup>2</sup>
#8	Circular	Ø60 mm
#9	Oblong	45×34 mm <sup>2</sup>

Source: WPC Qi specifications, Version 1.2





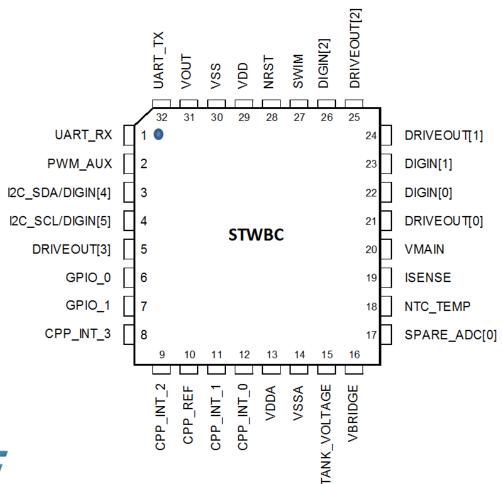
# STWBC

Qi Wireless Battery Charging Transmitter IC



### STWBC - Transmitter 14

### Flexible, efficient, compliant with leading standards



#### **5V IC supply voltage**

#### **Two Firmware options**

- Turn/key solution for quick design
- APIs available for customization

#### **API: Available Peripherals**

- ADC with 10 bit precision and 1MΩ input impedance
- UART
- I<sup>2</sup>C master fast-slow speed rate
- GPIOs
- Program memory: 32\* kbyte EEPROM (\*available size for API depends on selected FW)

#### **General application features:**

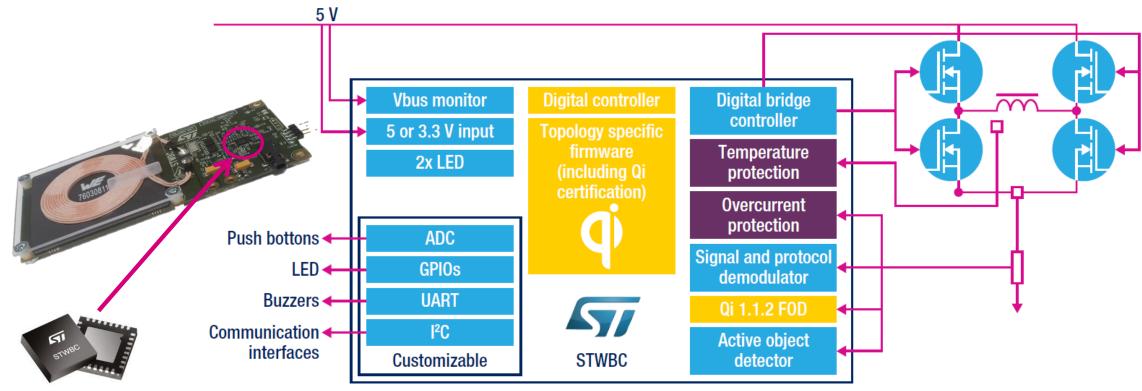
- Low cost 2-layer PCBs
- Active object detection
- Graphical user interface for application monitoring
- **Evaluation** board



### STWBC - Transmitter 15

### Flexible, efficient, compliant with leading standards

#### STWBC OPERATIONAL BLOCKS AND QI 1.1.2 A11 CONFIGURATION





# Two System Approaches 15

#### Turn-Key

- Cost down and size reduced solution
- Quickly fit your application with Wireless-Charging technologies
- Firmware ready (No changes required)

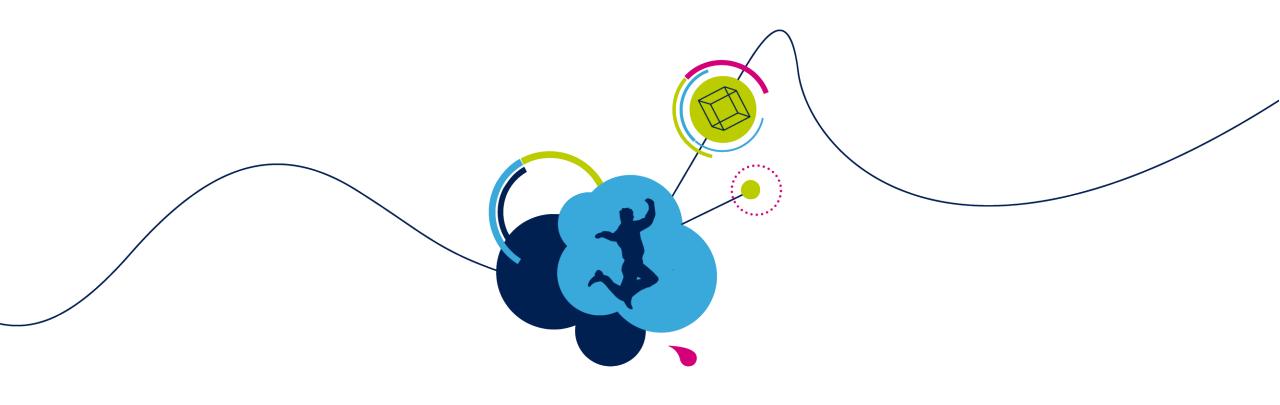
### Application customization via firmware changes

Customize the application around the Wireless Transmitter, Add:

- LEDs lights
- Sounds
- Connectivity (host controllers, Bluetooth/Wi-Fi modules)

ST takes care of the wireless Power-Transfer algorithms and control loop.





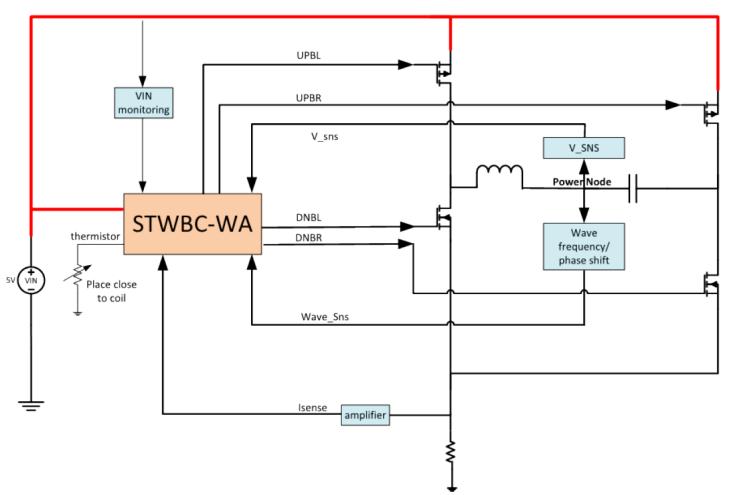
# **STWBC** Transmitter

Qi Evaluation Boards



# Qi-based Wearable TX Configuration

### STWBC-WA-2.5W



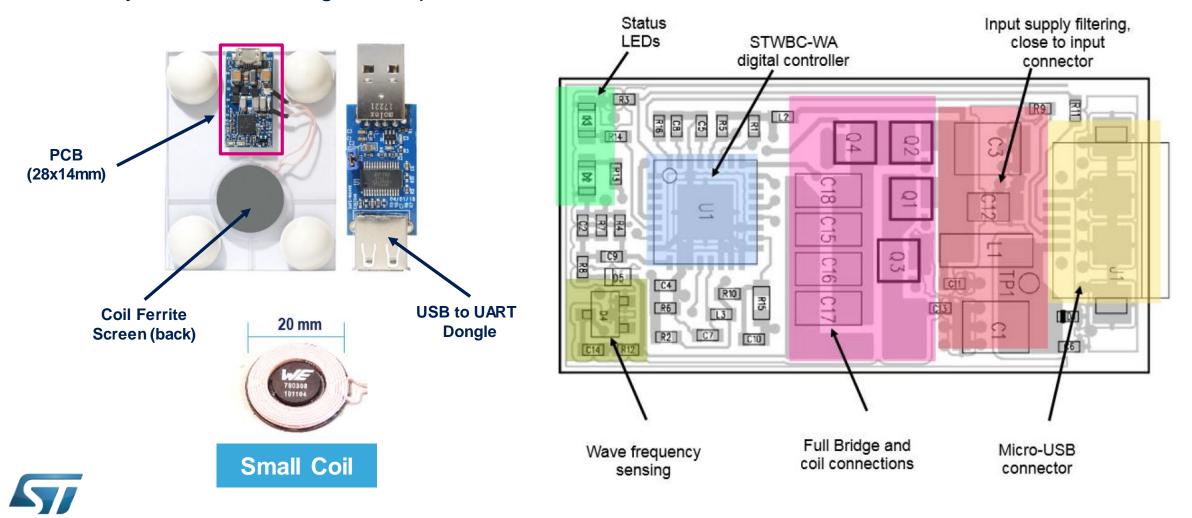
- System, bridge control and Qi protocol are handled by the STWBC-WA
- The transmitter is based on a Full-Bridge topology
- The inverter bridge is supplied by 5V input voltage
- Support up 2.5W on RX side



## Qi-based Wearable TX Reference Board

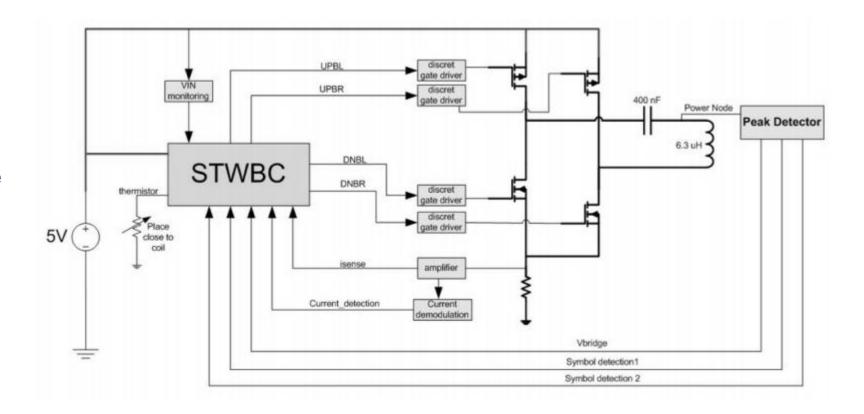
### STWBC-WA - 2.5W STEVAL-ISB045V1

2-Layer PCB and single-side placement



# STWBC - A11 Transmitter Configuration 191

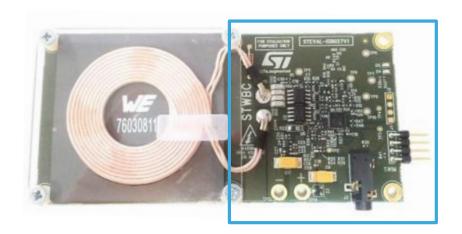
- 5W Qi, 1-Coil, 5V supply
- A11 requires accurate frequency control:
  - Operating frequency range 110kHz - 205kHz
  - Duty cycle 50%-10% @ 205kHz





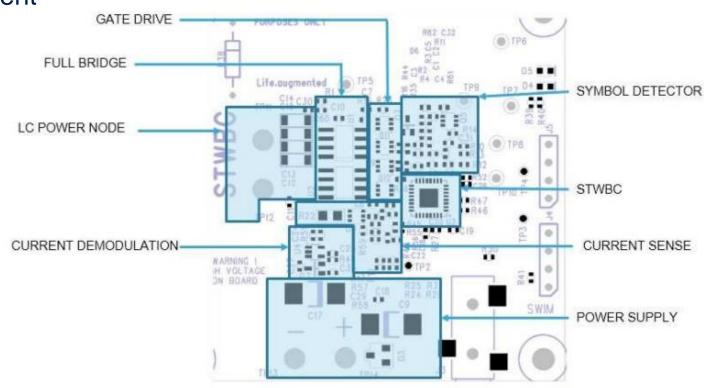
# Transmitter Reference Board STWBC 5W A11 – STEVAL-ISB027V1

#### 2-Layer PCB and single-side placement



#### Standby

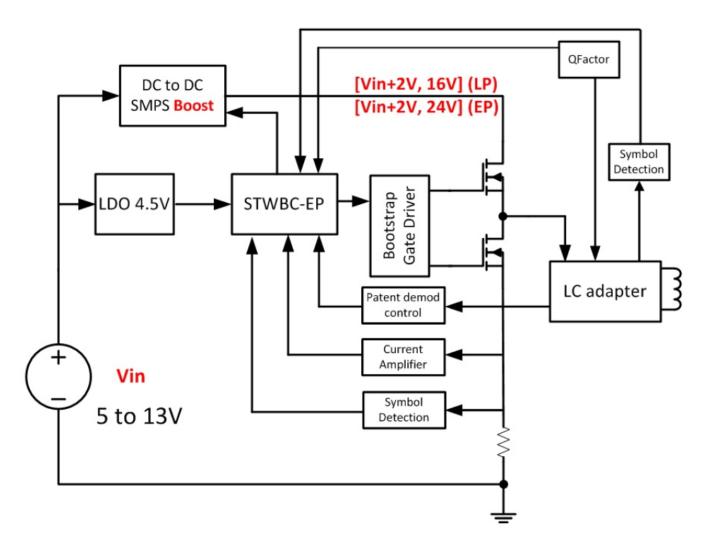
- 3mW consumption
- Ping active
- FOD active





# 15W EPP Transmitter Configuration

### STWBC-EP MP-A10



- Qi 1.2.3 EPP (Extended Power Profile) up to 15W
- Based on a half-bridge topology
- Support Basic Power Profile as well, up to 5W
- Wide supply voltage range,
   5 to 13V



# Transmitter Reference Board STWBC-EP 15W MP-A10 STEVAL-ISB044V1

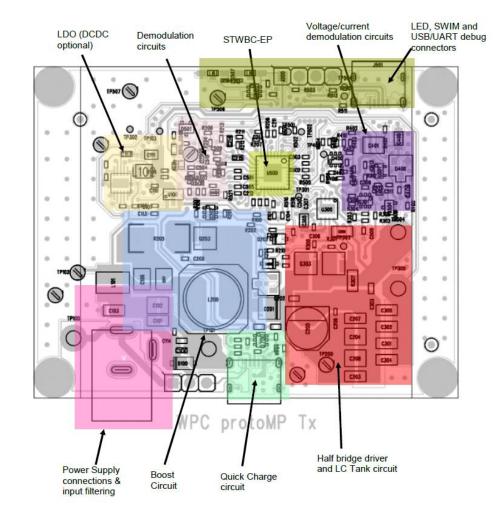
#### 2-Layer PCB and single-side placement





#### StandBy

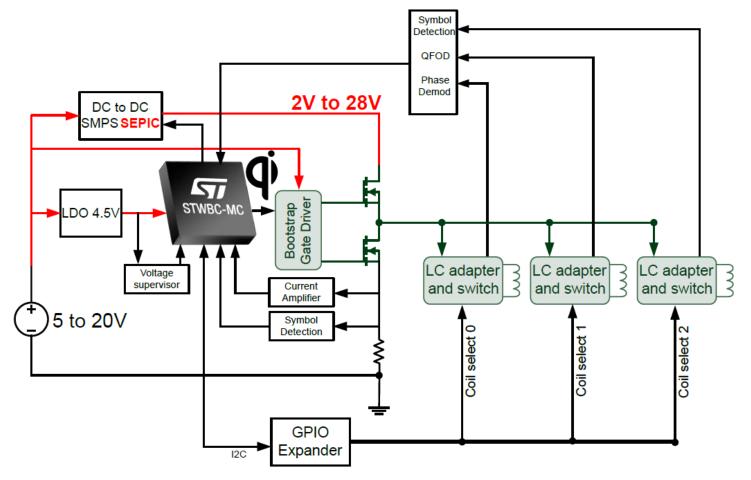
- 16mW consumption
- Ping active
- FOD active





# 3-coil 15W EPP Transmitter Configuration

### STWBC-MC MP-A15



- Qi 1.2.4 EPP (Extended Power Profile) up to 15W and BPP up to 5W
- 127.7 kHz fixed frequency
- Fast Charge support
- Wide supply voltage range,
   5 to 20V, with USB-C and
   support for legacy 5V USB



# 3- coil Transmitter Reference Board

### STWBC-MC 15W MP-A15 STEVAL-ISB047V1

#### 2-Layer PCB and single-side placement

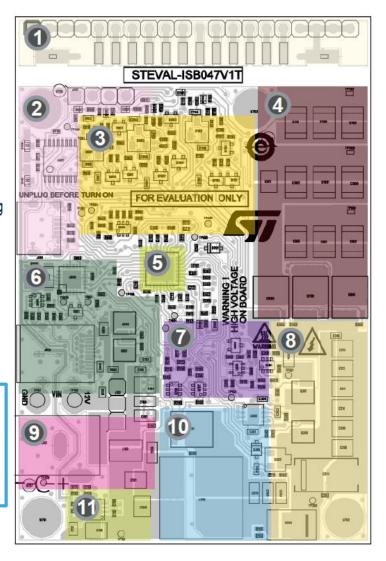


- 1. Test point for debugging only (may be removed)
- 2. LED, SWIM and USB/UART debug connectors
- 3. Sensing detection circuits
- 4. Coil selection and detection
- 5. STWBC-MC
- 6. USB PD/QC IO charger
- 7. Voltage/current demodulation circuits
- 8. Half bridge driver and LC Tank circuit
- 9. Jack power supply connections and input filtering
- 10. Sepic circuit
- 11. LDO



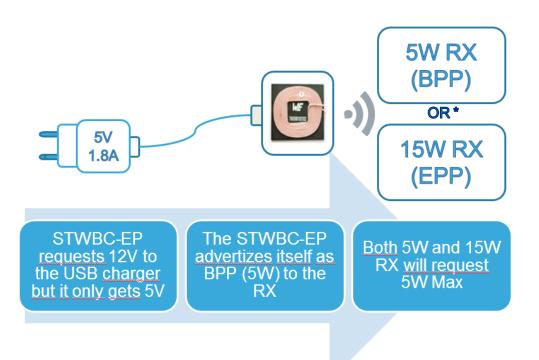
#### Standby

- 17mW consumption
- Ping active
- FOD active

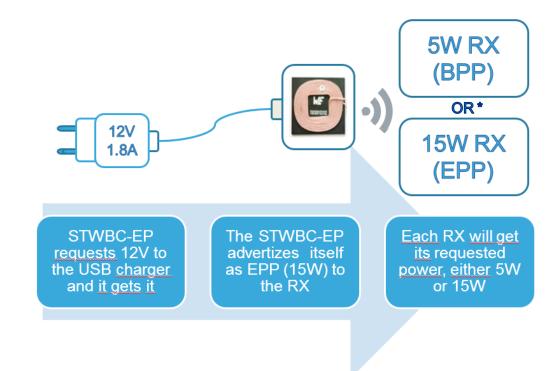




### STWBC-EP 5W or 15W use cases 25



STWBC-EP supplied at 5V



STWBC-EP supplied at 12V



# Wireless Battery Charger TX 26

#### STWBC-WA - STEVAL-ISB045V1

#### TX for Wearable (2.5W)

- IC: STWBC-WA
- 20 mm Coil
- 2.5W delivery at RX side
- 5V Supply
- Compatible with STEVAL-ISB043V1 RX

Available

#### STWBC - STEVAL-ISB027V1



#### A11 Certified Wireless Charger (5W)

- IC: STWBC
- Qi A11 1.1.2 Certified (1.2 BPP Ready) ref. design
- Foreign Object Detection (FOD)
- Active presence detection
- Turn Key or API customization
- Standby efficiency:
- 3mW consumption
- FOD active in standby



**Available** 

#### STWBC-EP - STEVAL-ISB044V1



15 Watts

15

**Watts** 

#### Certified Wireless Charger (15W)

- IC: STWBC-EP
- MP-A10 Design, Qi 1.2.3 Certified
- Support BPP and EPP (5W/15W)
- Foreign Object Detection (FOD)
- 5-13V input voltage range
- Half-Bridge topology
- Voltage/Frequency Control
- · Graphical Interface for testing



Available

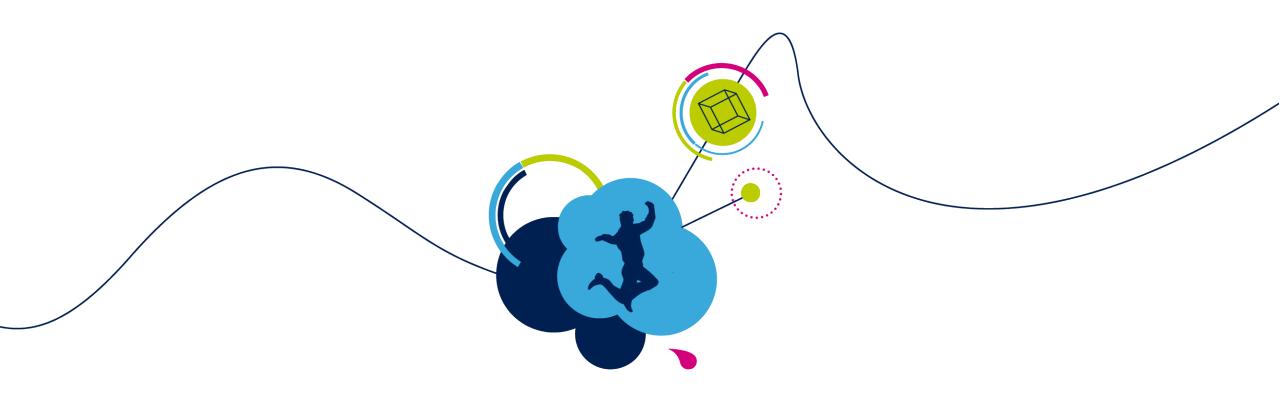
#### STWBC-MC - STEVAL-ISB047V1

#### Certified Wireless Charger (15W)

- IC: STWBC-MC
- Qi 1.2.4 Certified
- Support BPP and EPP (5W/15W)
- Foreign Object Detection (FOD)
- 5-20V Vin with USB-C
- Half-Bridge topology
- 127.7kHz Fixed Frequency
- Graphical Interface for testing

Available



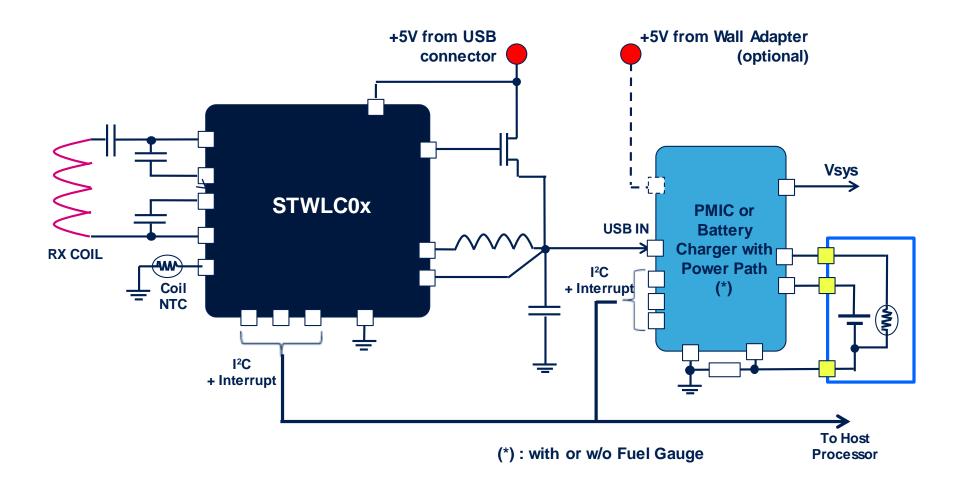


## STWLC

Qi/AirFuel Inductive Wireless Battery Charger Receiver IC

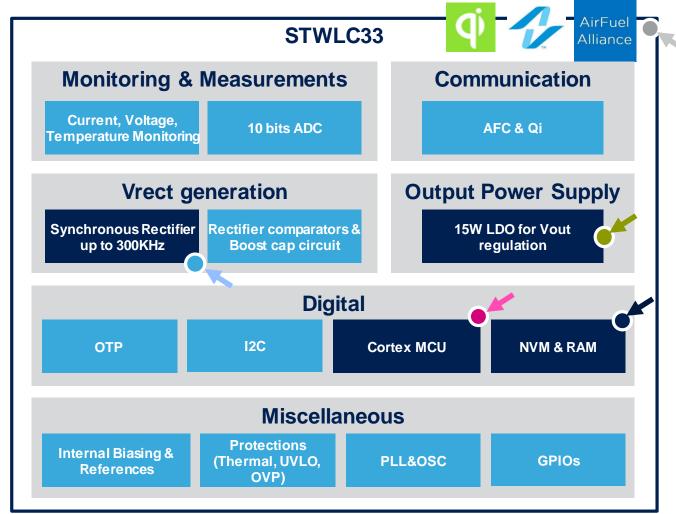


# STWLC3x Simplified Application Diagram 28





### STWLC3x – 5/15W Dual Function TX/RX



Up to Qi 1.2 15W output power & AirFuel inductive 5W

LDO for output voltage regulation with input current loop and input/output control

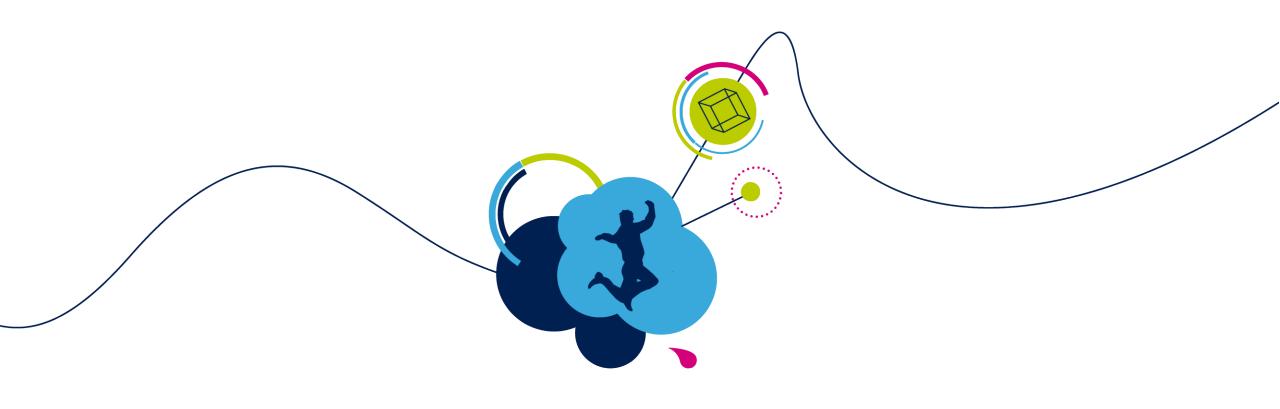
Embedded 32bit 32MHz ARM Cortex M4 MCU with 32kB ROM and 8KB RAM

4Kb NVM memory for customization

Integrated high efficiency synchronous rectifier

Flip Chip 2.64 x 3.94 mm





# STWLC Receiver

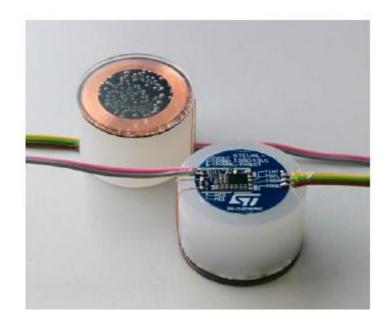
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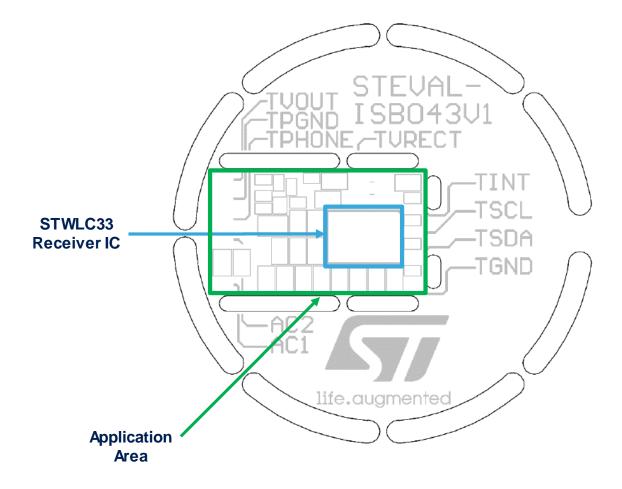
### Qi-based Wearable RX Reference Board

### STWLC33 - 2.5W STEVAL-ISB043V1

- 3-Layer PCB and single-side placement
- Application area 10x6mm



26mm Coil





### New Wearable Solution 32

### Wireless power TX - RX kit – 2.5 Watt wireless delivery

#### **Full Bridge 2.5W Transmitter** based on STWBC-WA

5V 1A USB input power

Smart standby Automatic receiver recognition Open FOD for increased safety Patented demodulation

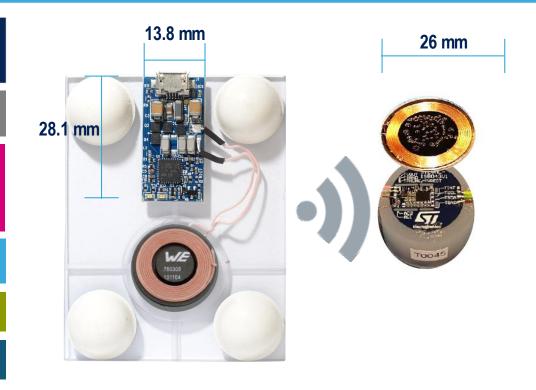
> Wurth 760308101104 20 mm diameter coil

2-layer PCB with optimized eBOM possible remote coil w/ dedicated tuning

Turnkey solution customization via GUI

**Available Now** 





2.5W Receiver based on STWLC33

• 5V output voltage

• Space saving solution: 6x10mm 1mm total thickness (PCB + BOM)

• Coil Rx -Wurth 760308101309

Max. Z @ 2.5 W: 4 mm Output Leakage: <1uA

67% total system efficiency with 1mm gap

Flip Chip 2.64mm x 3.94mm

Available now

STEVAL-ISB045V1

STEVAL-ISB043V1

### STWLC33 - Dual Mode TRX 33

#### RX & TX: STWLC33







Receiver: Qi and Airfuel Inductive Standards 5V fixed output Voltage - up to 5W (due to phone limitation)

> Transmitter: Qi based Transmitted Power up to 3W

PCB Dimension 15x25mm Coil Rx-Tx - Wurth 760308102207







#### 5V fixed output voltage

• Space saving solution: 6x10mm 1mm total thickness (PCB + BOM) • Coil Rx -Wurth 760308101309

> Max Output Power: 3W Output Leakage: <1uA

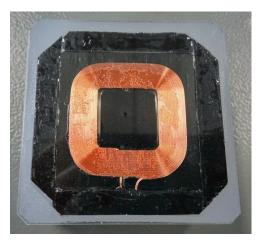


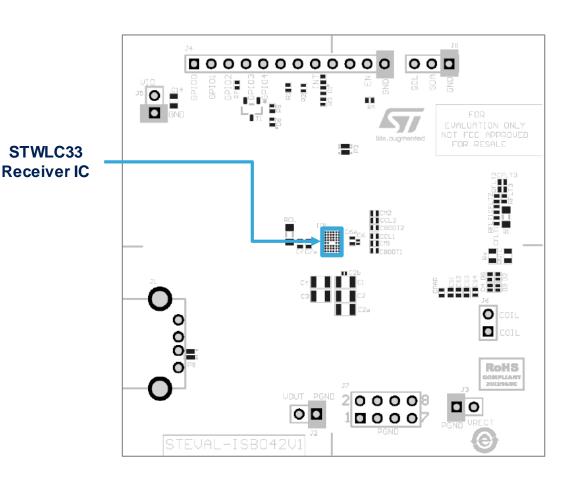
### Receiver Reference Board

### STWLC33 – 5W/15W Qi/AirFuel STEVAL-ISB042V1

- 4-Layer PCB and single-side placement
- Qi 1.2.3 and AirFuel Inductive certified
- 42x42mm coil
- TX capable up to 3W with same coil
- BPP/EPP RX auto-switch (it senses TX type)









### STWLC33 5W & 15W use cases 35



The TX advertises itself as BPP 5W TX to the STWLC33

STWLC33 will set itself to 5V output as a 5W BPP RX

STWLC33 paired to a 5W TX



The TX advertises itself as EPP 15W TX to the STWLC33

STWLC33 will set itself to 10V output as a 15W EPP RX

STWLC33 paired to a 15W TX



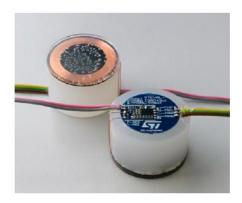
# 2.5-15W Wireless Battery Charger RX STWLC3x

#### STWLC33 - STEVAL-ISB043V1

2.5 Watts

#### Qi-based Wireless Receiver for Wearables

- Up to 2.5W output power
- 26mm Coil
- Application area 10x6mm
- Total system efficiency 70%
- Optimized for 5V output operation
- Foreigh Object Detection (FOD)
- I<sup>2</sup>C interface
- CSP 3.97x2.67 mm, 400 µm pitch 52 balls



Available

#### STWLC33 - STEVAL-ISB042V1

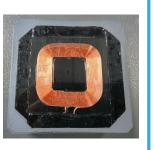


5/15 Watts

#### Qi/AirFuel Inductive Certified Wireless Receiver with Transmit capability

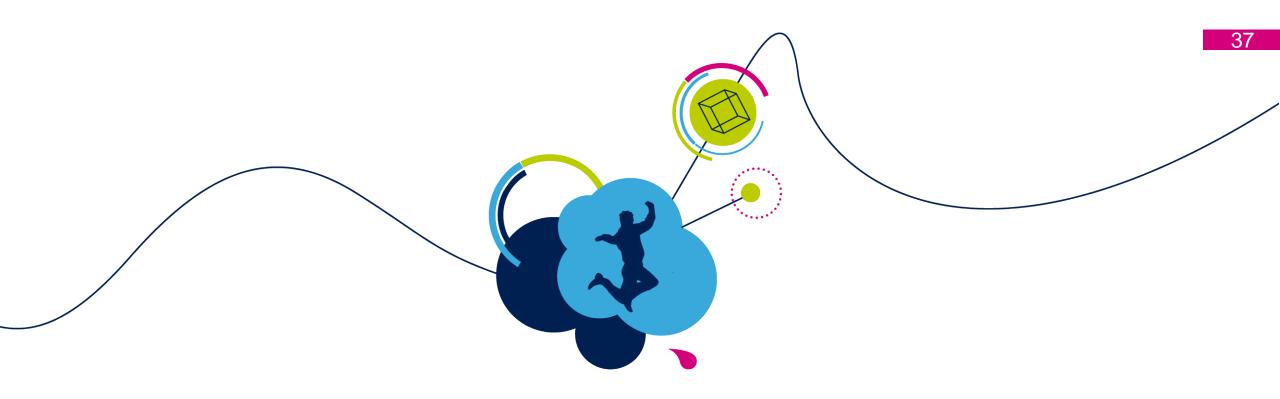
- Up to 15 W output power in RX mode and 3W in TX mode
- Qi 1.2 and AirFuel inductive standard
- Integrated high efficiency synchronous rectifier
- Low drop regulator
- Total system efficiency up to 80%
- 32-bit, 32 MHz ARM Cortex microcontroller with 32 kB memory, 8 kB RAM memory, 4 kB NVM for configuration
- 10-bit 8-channel A/D converter
- Up to 5 configurable GPIOs
- Integrated 5 V LDO for auxiliary features
- Precise voltage and current measurements for FOD function
- Overvoltage clamp protection
- HW FSK and ASK demodulators
- I<sup>2</sup>C interface
- CSP 3.97x2.67 mm, 400 µm pitch 52 balls





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# What's Next?



# STWBC-EP 15W Fixed Frequency

### MP-A15 Single Coil

Qi 1.2.4 EPP compliant SEPIC + Half bridge topology

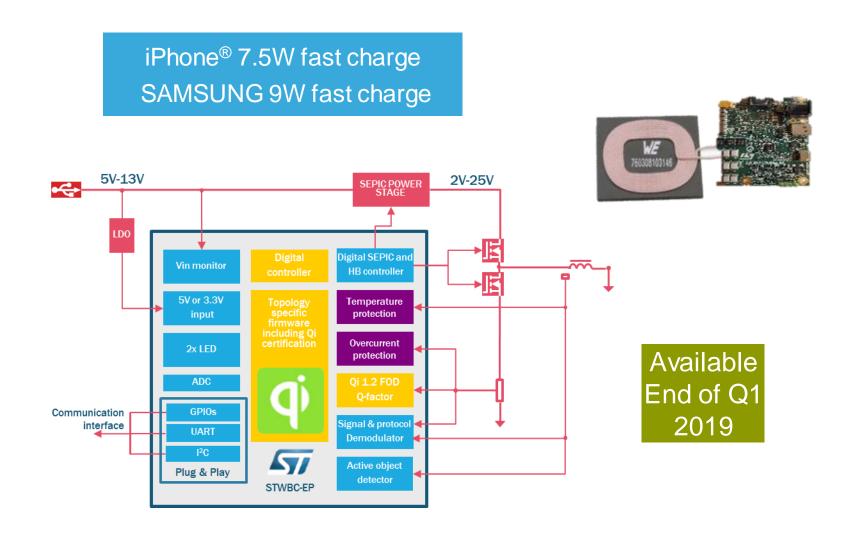
MP-A8 coil with large active area (25x30mm)

EU RED Compliant 127.7kHz fixed frequency operation

USB-QC compatible input

2 Layers PCB with coil on top





# Wireless Charging

### ST Strengths

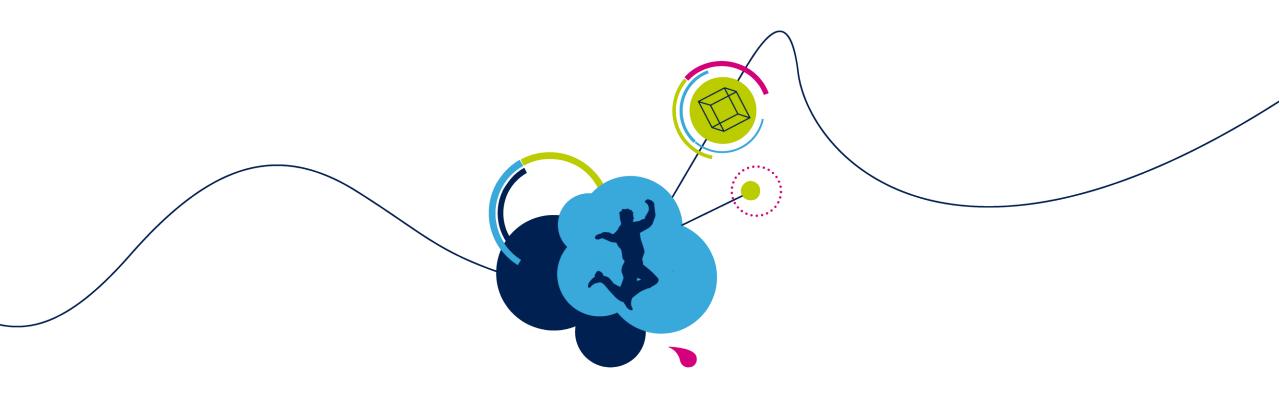
- Member of WPC and AirFuel Alliance
- System knowledge of both TX and RX sides
- BCD Technology well matches voltages present in these architectures
- IPs availability and integration capability
- TX and RX Silicon BOM fully covered by ST

#### **Transmitter**



Receiver





# Thank You!

