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# Power future microgrids with ST digital ESS

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# Carbon neutrality & microgrids

# Innovations contributing to carbon neutrality

## Green energy generation



Electric power sector accounts for 40% of global carbon emissions

## Fast DC charging For e-mobility



Transportation sector accounts for 23% of global carbon emissions

## High efficiency for telecom & datacenters



Communications sector accounts for ~4% of global carbon emissions (14% by 2040)



# Challenges for the grid

How to optimize investment in **energy transmission** upgrades?



How to manage **peak loads** as they become increasingly **unpredictable**?



How to set up **new grid infrastructure** in congested areas?



How to ensure a **reliable** supply to critical functions?



# New semiconductor trends and opportunities



## +1% energy efficiency

= ~113 TWh energy saving from industrial electricity consumption, e.g.

= ~18 standard nuclear plants

## Standby power: 65mW→5mW

= ~18 TWh energy saving from adapters/chargers, TVs, and other applications <100 W.

= ~3 standard nuclear plants



## SiC, GaN & SiP

Superior switching performance results in higher efficiency and lower system cost (higher density)



Adapter/charger



Server/datacenter (HV)

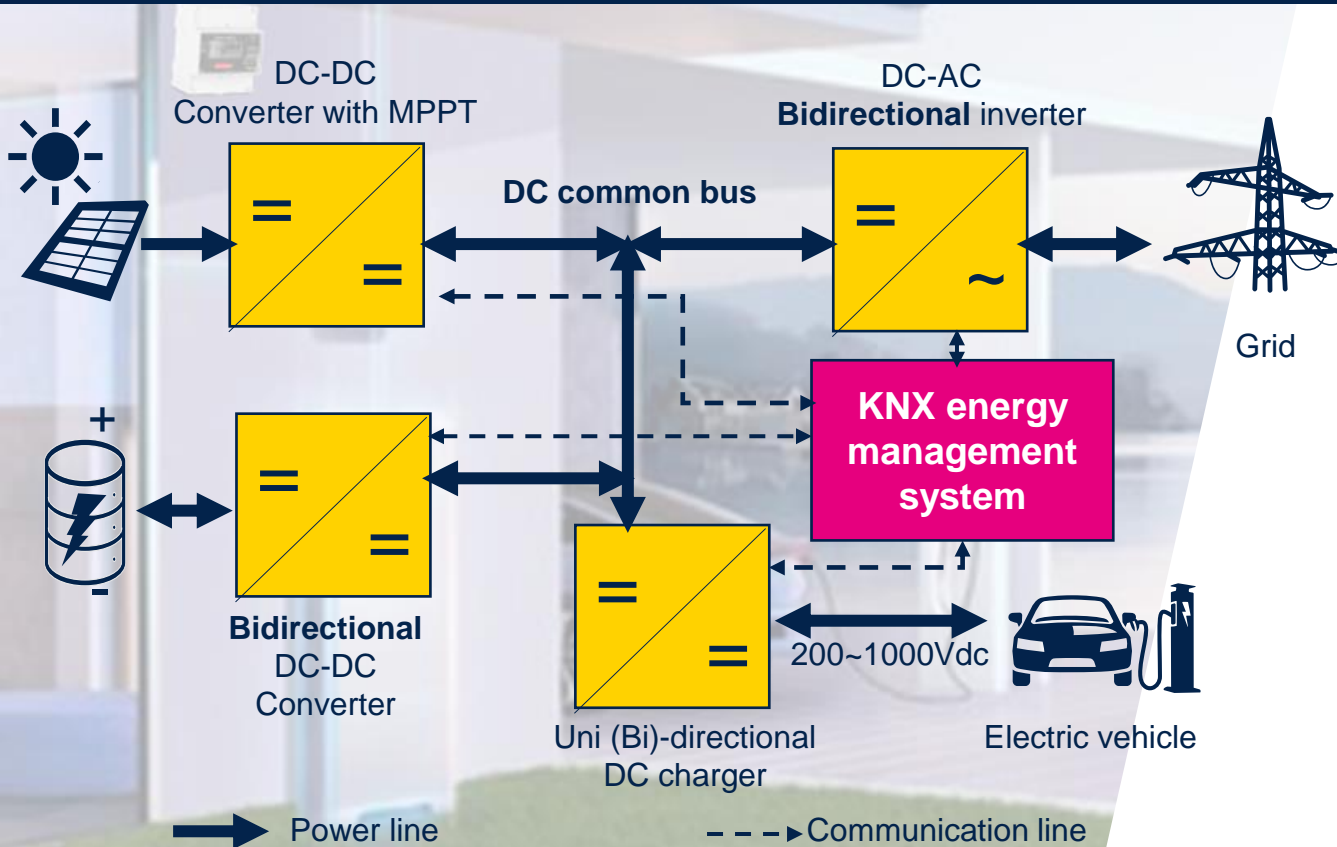



Hybrid energy system



# Electricity 4.0: enabling hybrid energy systems


Increase grid independence, lowering energy costs by up to 11%#

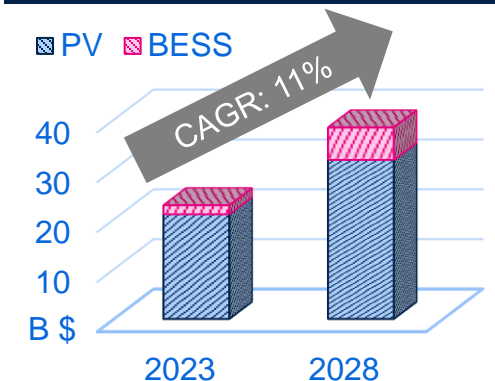


  
**Integration of PV and energy storage**

  
**Energy storage for resilience**

**Power converter market split by application \***

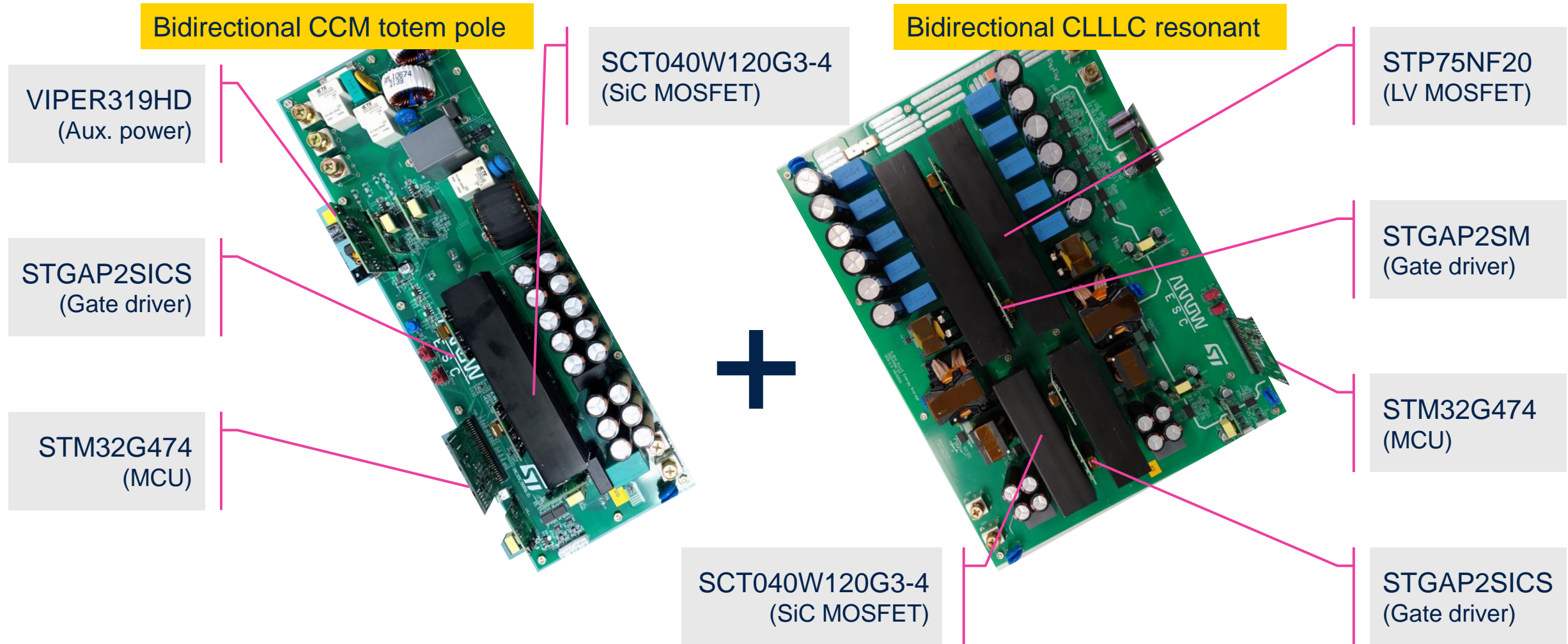
  
**PV powering households**



# ST digital power ESS solution



# 6.6 kW bidirectional AC-DC

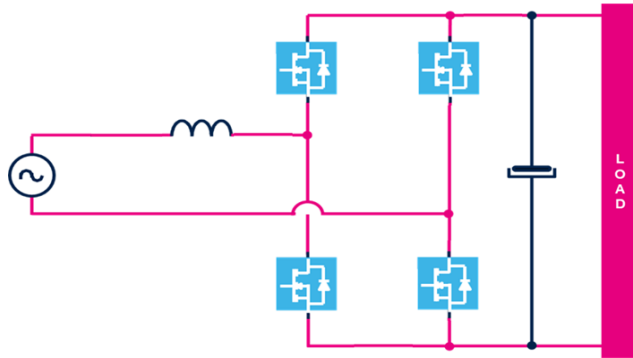




# 6.6 kW bidirectional PFC



Totem pole PFC



## Key features:

- Grid voltage: 180-265 VAC
- DC bus voltage: 380-580 VDC
- Switching frequency: 100 kHz
- Operation mode: CCM
- Peak efficiency: 98.5% @230 VAC
- 6.6 kW power delivery in both of AC-DC/DC-AC operations including below modes:
  - ✓ AC to DC operation as rectifier mode
  - ✓ DC to AC operation as off-grid (UPS) mode
  - ✓ DC to AC operation as grid-connection mode



## Key products

STM32G474VBT MCU  
SCT040W120G3-4AG SiC MOSFET  
STGAP2SICS, VIPER319HD  
TSZ181ILT, TS3022IDT, A6986, TL431ACL3T, LD1117SC-R

## Key benefits

- ✓ Compatible with photovoltaic systems (regulated output voltage from 380 to 580 Vdc)
- ✓ SiC and full digital solution to achieve higher efficiency and higher power density

# PFC digital platform - STM32G474



Arm® Cortex® -M4 up  
to **170MHz**

**Floating-point unit  
(FPU)**

- Control loop computation (reserved for future use)

**32-Kbyte CCM-SRAM**

- Zero wait-state for critical code execution

**CORDIC** for trigonometric  
functions acceleration

- Software phase-locked loop (EPLL)

**FMAC** filter mathematical  
accelerator

- Hardware digital filter (CPU off-load) for loop computation (reserved)

Configurations of MCU key functions on digital PFC

**Hi-Resolution PWM  
Timer (184 ps)**

- Mainly for high frequency (HF) MOSFET control at 100kHz

**Multiple ADCs (4 Msps)  
up to 5**

- Grid voltage, inductor current, DC bus voltage/current and hotspot

**Comparators and DACs  
up to 7**

- PFC OVP / OCP

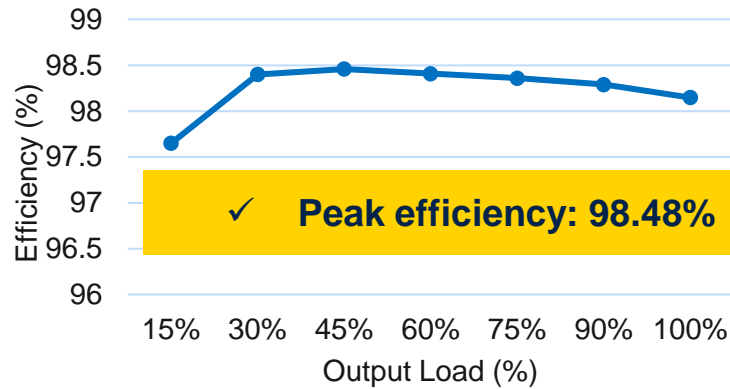
**UART, SPI, CAN  
and USB**

- CAN for internal/external communication

# Experimental results

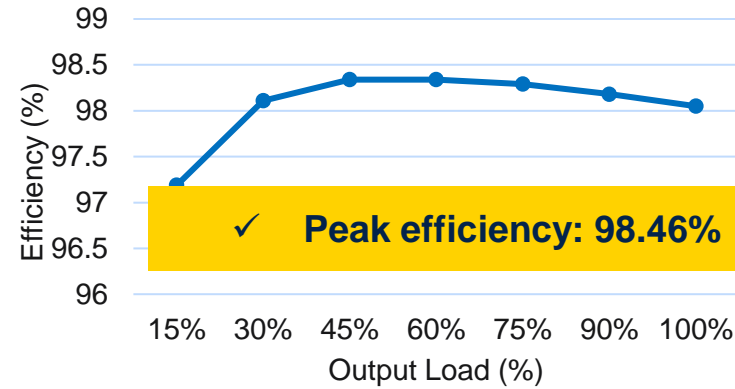
## Rectifier mode

Efficiency (220Vac/380Vdc)



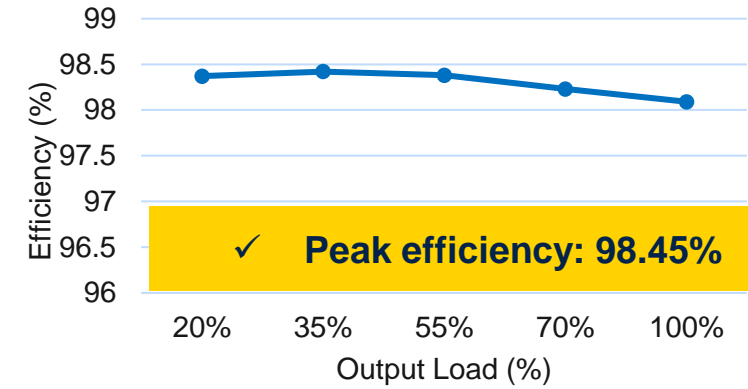
## Inverter mode (off-grid)

Efficiency (550Vdc/220Vac)

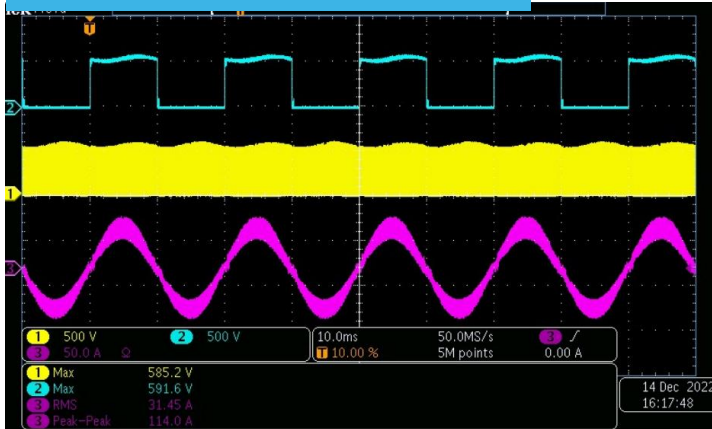


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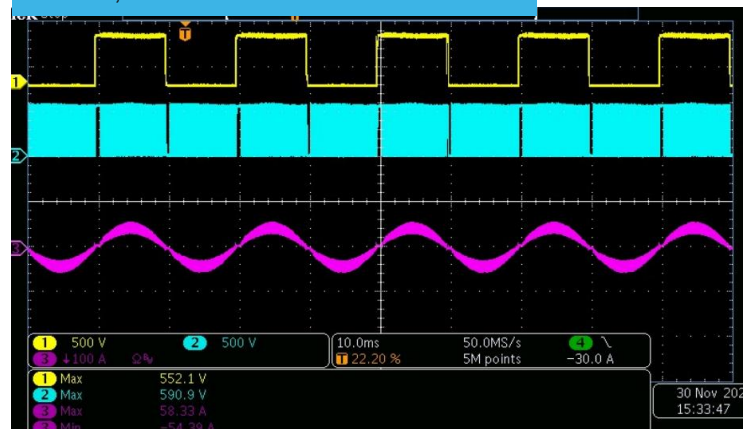
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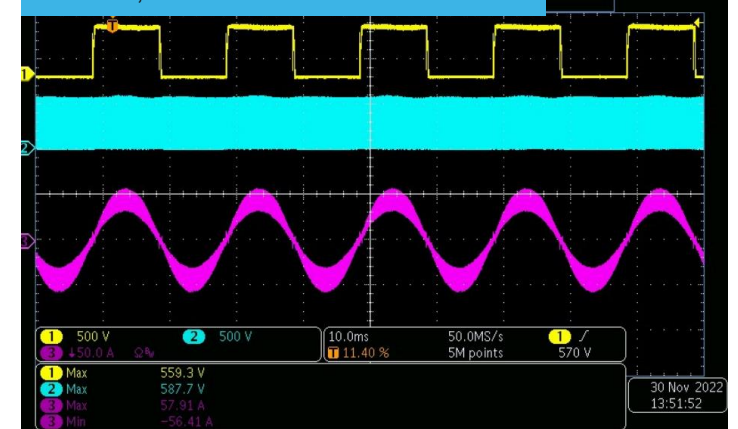
230Vac/50Hz, 550Vdc with 6600 W load



550Vdc, 220Vac/50Hz with 6600 W R load



550Vdc, 220Vac/50Hz with 6600 W load



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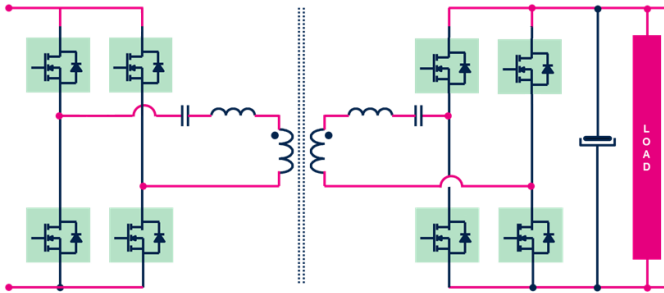




# 6.6 kW bidirectional DC-DC



## Interleaved CLLLC



**x2 (2-phase)**  
(Both primary/secondary are in parallel)



## Key features:

- Battery voltage: 60-90 VDC
- DC bus voltage: 380-580 VDC
- Resonant frequency: 200k Hz (160-300 kHz)
- Peak efficiency: >96%
- 6.6 kW power delivery in bidirectional operations, including the following modes:
  - ✓ High voltage to low voltage charging
  - ✓ Low voltage to high voltage discharging

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SCT040W120G3-4AG, STP75NF20 power MOSFETs  
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# DC-DC digital platform - STM32G474



## Configurations of key MCU functions on digital DC-DC

Arm® Cortex® -M4 up  
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**Floating-point Unit  
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**Hi-Resolution PWM  
Timer (184 ps)**

- Mainly for high frequency MOSFET control at 150kHz~400kHz

**Multiple ADCs (4 Msps)  
up to 5**

- DC voltage/current, tank current, and hotspot

**Comparators and DACs  
up to 7**

- Tank current OCP

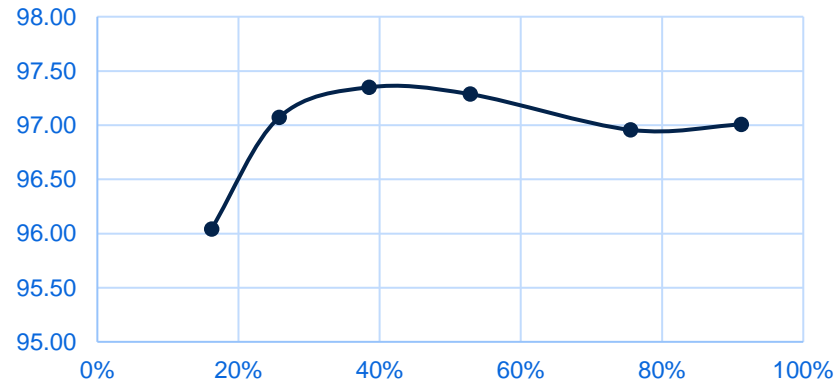
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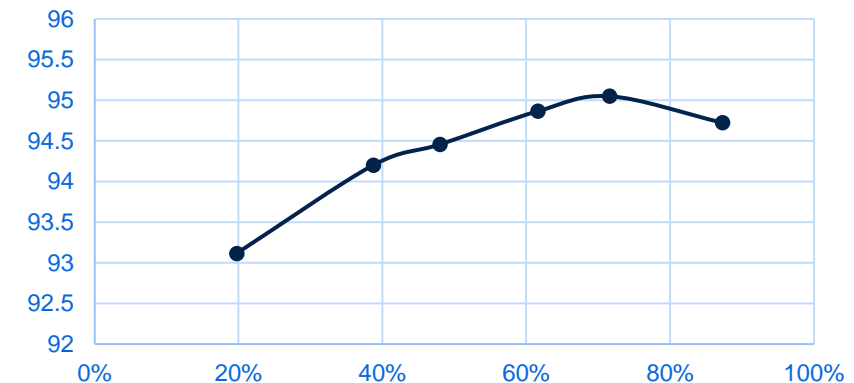
## Charging mode

Eff(Vin=550V, Vout=75V)

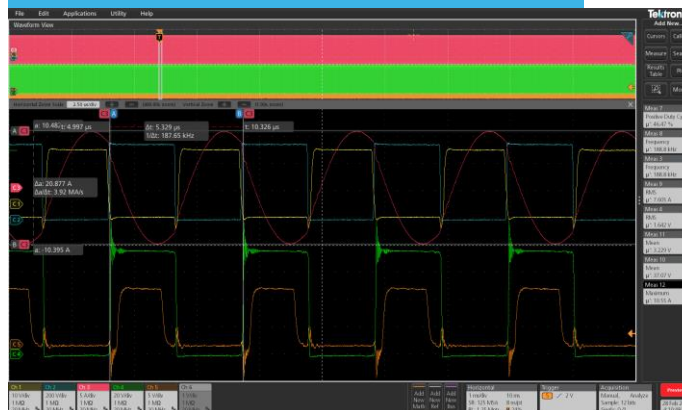


## Discharging mode

Eff(Vin=75V, Vout=520V)



Vin=550 V, Iout=40 A, steady state



Vin=70.5Vdc, Iout=4.2 A, steady state



CH1: HV mos, Vgs, LLC1

CH2: HV mos, Vds, LLC2

CH5: LV mos, Vds, LLC2

CH3: iTank, LLC1

CH4: LV mos, Vds, LLC1

CH6: iTank, LLC2

# Key products



# STPOWER SiC MOSFET families

The best switching devices for high density applications

## Gen1

1200-1700 V

Excellent **R<sub>on</sub> vs. T<sub>j</sub>** behavior: very suitable for SMPS and medium power motor drives  
Optimized @ **V<sub>gs</sub> 20 V**

## Gen2

650, 1200 V

Outstanding **R<sub>on</sub> vs. Q<sub>g</sub> trade-off**: highly suitable for a broad range of automotive and industrial applications  
Optimized @ **V<sub>gs</sub> 18 V**

## Gen3

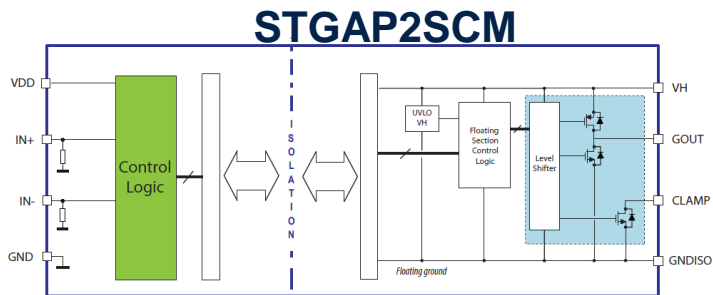
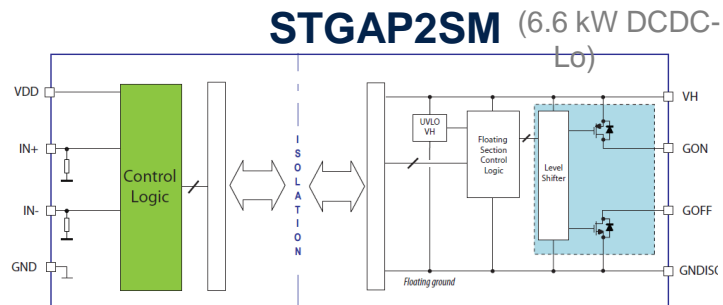
650, 750, 900, 1200 V

The best **R<sub>on</sub> vs. Q<sub>g</sub> trade off**: highly suitable for very high frequency applications industrial & automotive  
Optimized @ **V<sub>gs</sub> 18 V**, enables **15 V** gate drive also

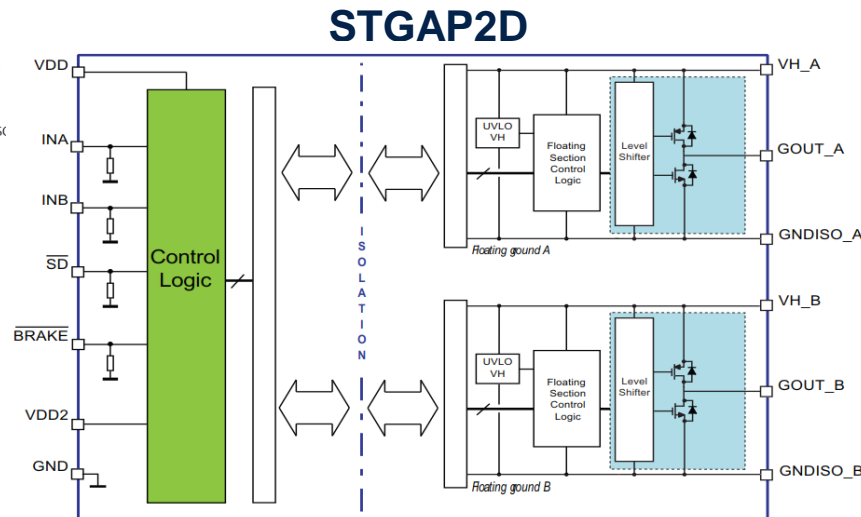
SCT040W120G3-4 for PFC, DC-DC-High side

# STGAP gate driver

1700 V, 6 kV galvanic isolated single & dual channel



- 3V3/5 V logic inputs
- **Up to 26 V supply voltage**
- **4 A sink/source driver current capability**
- 100 V / ns CMTI
- Propagation delay 80 ns
- Standby function
- High-voltage rail up to 1700 V
- Temperature shut down protection

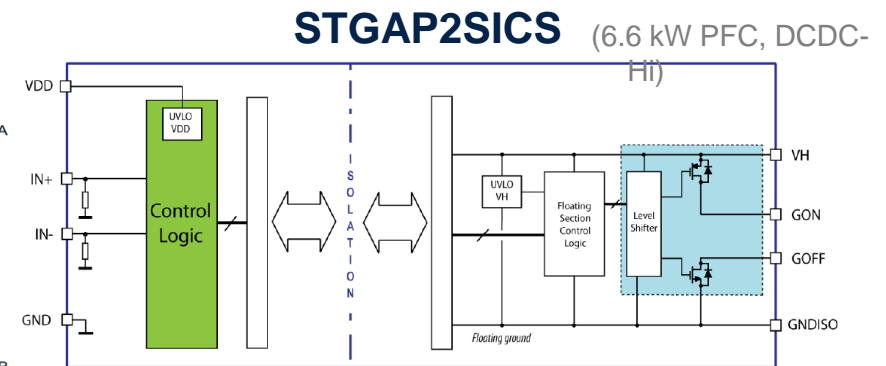


## High performance

- Galvanic isolated up to 1700V

## Robustness

- Interlocking
- Negative gate drive ability



## High performance

- Galvanic isolated up to 6 kV optimized for SiC MOSFETs



# STM32G474 MCU

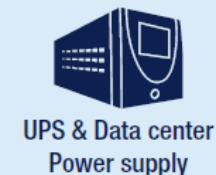
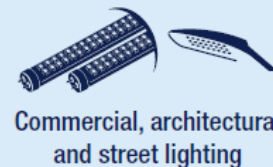
## Hi-resolution PWM and comprehensive set of analog peripherals for digital control



- 170MHz 32-bit Arm® Cortex®-M4 core with FPU
- Routine booster of CCM-SRAM up to 32 KB
- Mathematic hardware accelerators (CORDIC / FMAC)
- High-resolution timer (184 ps) for precise PWM control
- Rich advanced analog
- USB Type-C Power Delivery (PD)
- $\pm 1\%$  internal clock



### MAIN APPLICATIONS



# Summary

## Digital power ESS solution to power future microgrids

The background of the slide features a photograph of a modern city skyline with several tall glass skyscrapers. In the foreground, there are rows of blue solar panels, suggesting a focus on renewable energy and sustainable urban development.

Energy transmission can be improved by establishment of microgrid systems with deployment of ESS solution

Technology of bidirectional power feature is a key to success for ESS applications

ST is ready to provide the solution and rich product portfolios for customers to focus on ESS product design

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