

Human Exposure Analysis to EMFs from Ground Assembly of a WPT System during the Vehicle's Non-attendance

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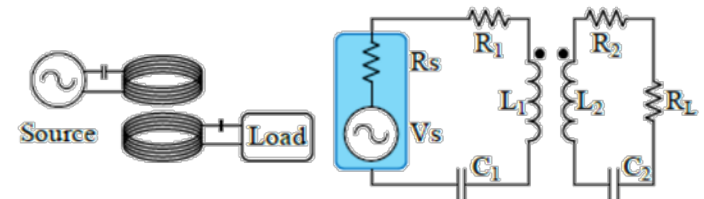
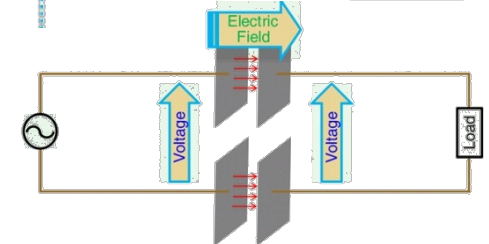
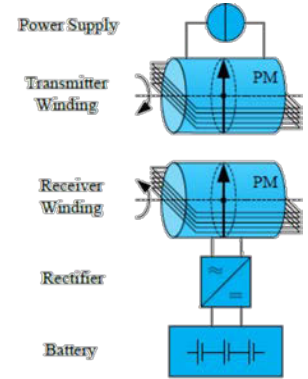
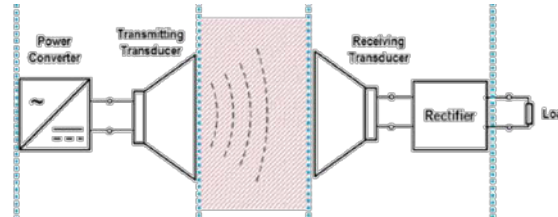
✓ Wireless power transfer (WPT) is a technology that could set human free from the annoying wires.

✓ WPT technologies:

1. Magnetic gear (MGWPT).
2. Acoustic (AWPT).
3. Capacitive (CWPT).
4. Inductive (IWPT).

✓ IWPT is the most attractive for EV applications. Why?

1. High power transfer capability.
2. Large air-gap (10-25 cm).
3. Maintenance and noise free.



Visions of WPT for EV

Quasi-dynamic WPT



Stationary WPT



Dynamic WPT



<https://www.nbcnews.com/mach/mach/futuristic-roads-may-make-recharging-electric-cars-thing-past-ncna766456>

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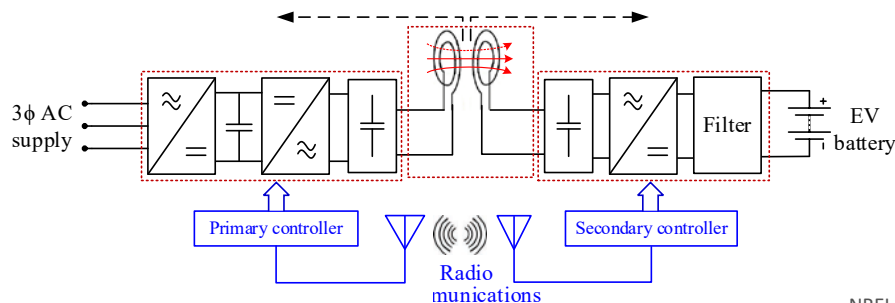
System Description

✓ Wirelessly Charged NREL's Shuttle

- Full electric on-demand
- 16 passenger
- 62.1 kWh battery capacity
- 100 miles range
- 7600 kg curb weight, including VA
- 6.6 kW on-board charger

✓ Momentum Dynamics WPT system

- 36"x36" symmetrical square pads
- 25 kW maximum power transfer
- 20 (19-21) kHz nominal operating frequency



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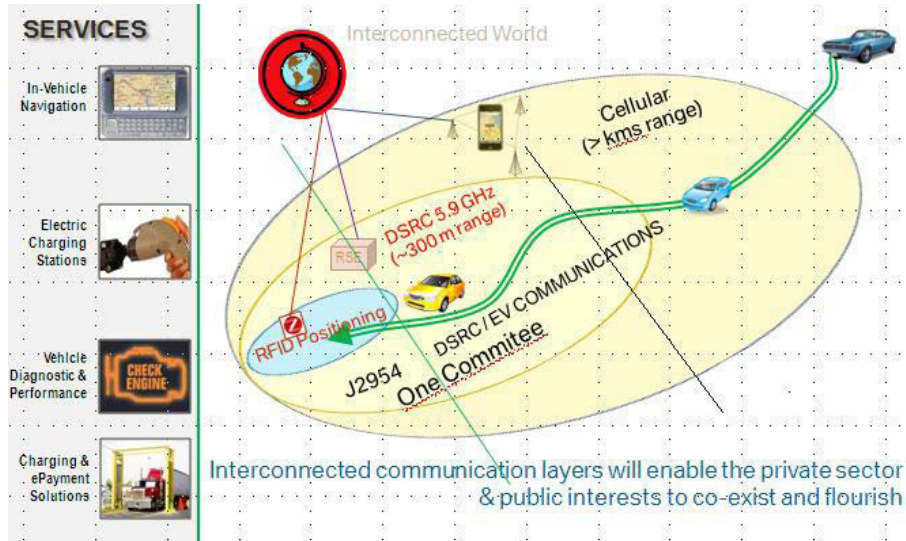
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SAE TIR J2954 Vehicle Alignment Methods



Vehicle to EVSE Alignment Methods

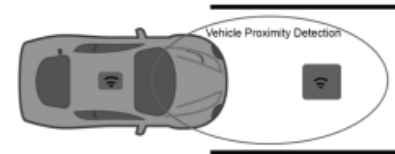
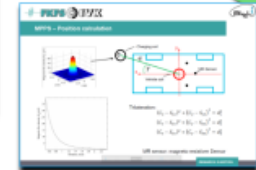


> Magnetic Field Alignment (Existing Coils)

A small magnetic field is generated by the GA power transfer coil. The magnetic field is detected by the VA power transfer coil.

> Magnetic Field Alignment (Auxiliary)

A signal is transmitted from the VA using auxiliary coils. The GA receives signal and relays positional information back to the vehicle via the communications interface (e.g., 802.11). System range ~5m.



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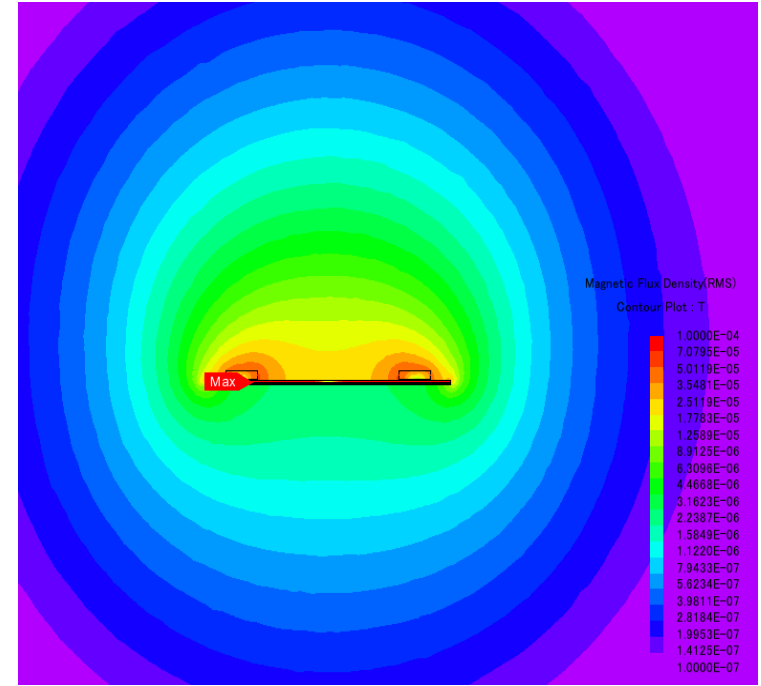
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Assessment of EMF based on FEA

✓ 3D-FEM for Ground Coil

- Includes material properties (e.g. permeability and conductivity).
- Current sources were used for providing the coil currents.
- Eddy currents induced in nearby conductors are modeled and contribute to the total calculated magnetic fields.
- The finite element mesh maximum dimension varies from 10 mm to 100 mm.
- Dirichlet (Flux Tangential) boundary conditions are applied to the surrounding area around the model



Assessment of EMF based on Near Field Measurement

✓ Test Device

Low frequency isotropic field probe-analyzer EHP-50D, Narda, Germany

- 5 Hz – 100 kHz
- XYZ field measurements
- Built-in spectrum analyzer
- connected to a PC by a fiber optic cable
- dedicated software manages the probe setting, data acquisition and storage

Parameter	Value
Span	3-100 kHz
Measurement mode	Max RMS over 30 sec.
Hold Maximum	Enable
Showing XYZ measurements	Enable
Measuring Range	Small range
Units	B (μ T) & E (V/m)

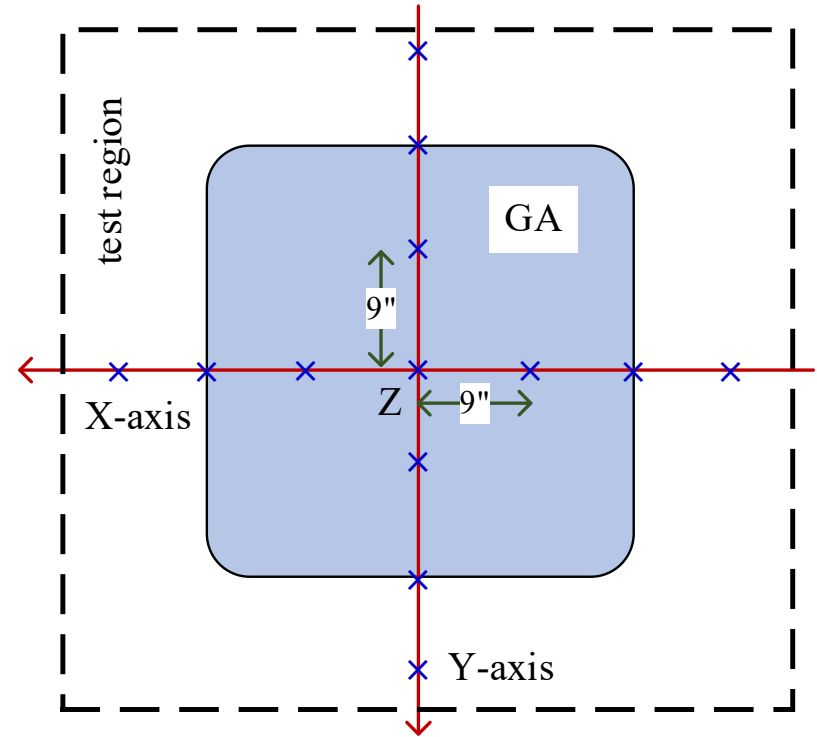


<https://www.narda-sts.com/en/>
<http://www.eenewsautomotive.com/news/one-test-system-analysing-electromagnetic-fields-5-hz-60-ghz>

Assessment of EMF based on Near Field Measurement

✓ Test Set-Up

- Defining coordinates
- Defining a marked safety perimeter
- Conducting EMF measurements in X, Y, and Z directions over and around the GA coil.



Assessment of EMF

✓ J2954 Standard Exposure Limits (2010 ICNIRP guidelines)

➤ Human Exposure

- General public
- Occupational

✓ EMF Standard Limits

➤ Basic Restrictions

➤ Reference Levels

Ref. Limits for General Exposure

Magnetic Field Limit	Electric Field Limit
B_{peak} (μT)	E_{peak} (V/m)
38.2 (27 RMS)	117 (83 RMS)
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Ref. Limits for Occupational

Magnetic Field Limit	Electric Field Limit
B_{peak} (μT)	E_{peak} (V/m)
141.5 (100 RMS)	240.5 (170 RMS)
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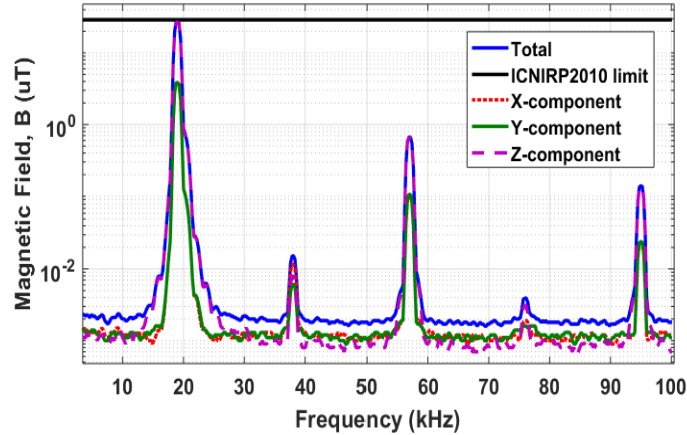
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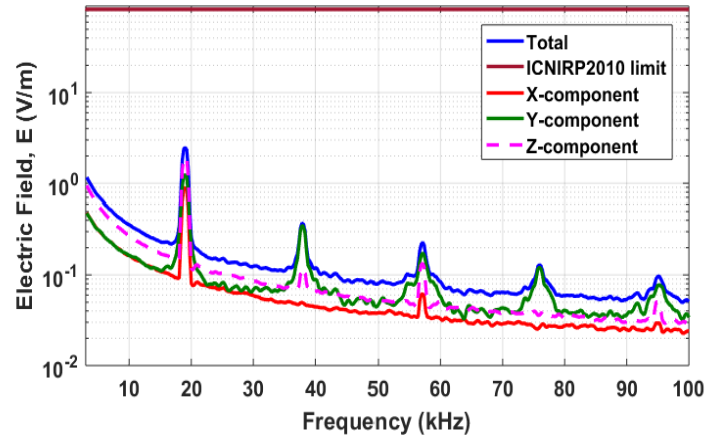
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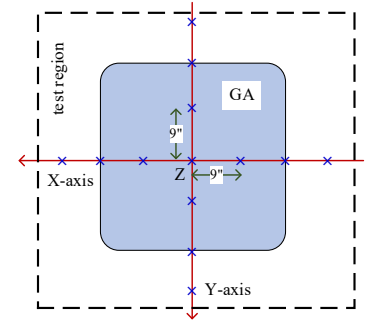
✓ Measured FFT for Magnetic and Electric Fields



(Height = 6.25" Measured FFT of magnetic fields at the center with 2 A coil current).

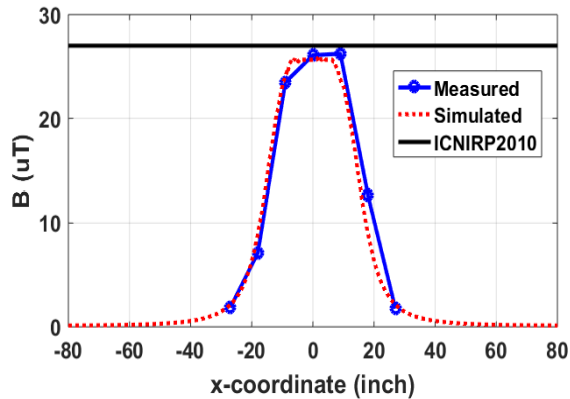
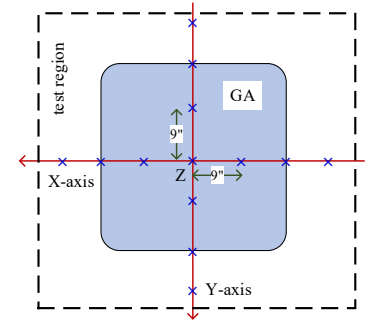


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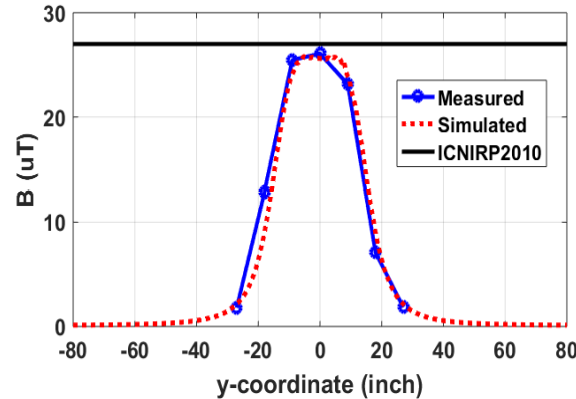


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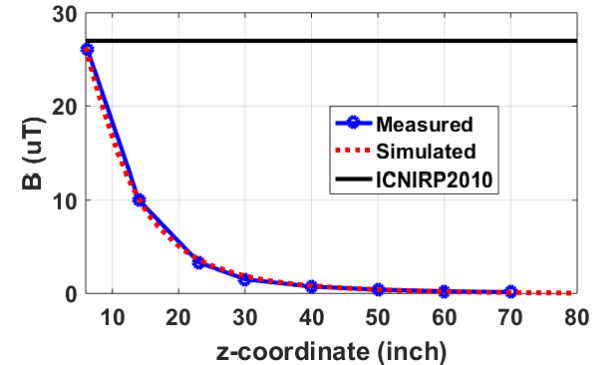
✓ Measured and Simulated Magnetic Field in XYZ Directions



Measured and simulated maximum RMS value of magnetic field along x-axis at 6.25" height.



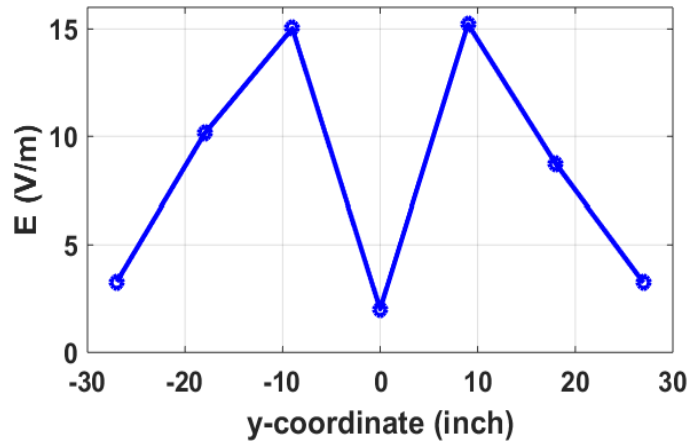
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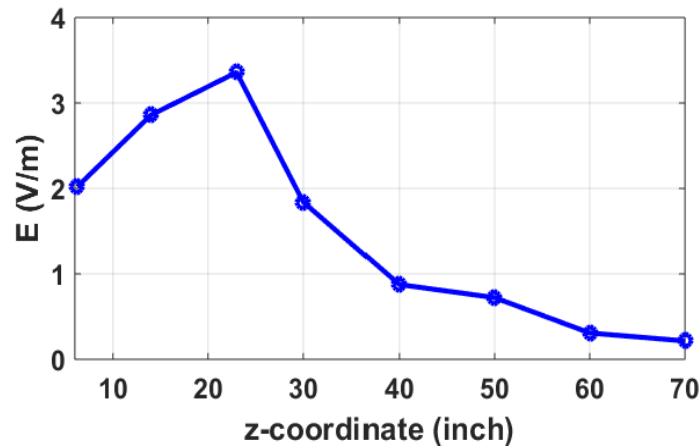
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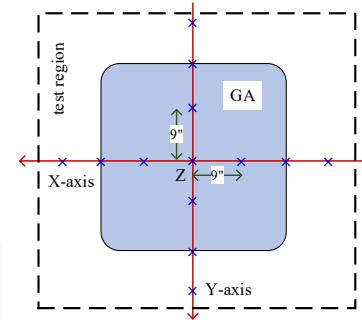
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- ✓ The paper presents a methodology to assess the human exposure to EMFs from GA during and before alignment.
- ✓ Magnetic and electric fields are evaluated while the system is working at low power excitation and the vehicle is not present.
- ✓ The EMFs are assessed based on both numerical analysis and measurements.
- ✓ The results show good correlation between experimental and simulated results.
- ✓ The magnetic field near the surface of the pad is significant and it is necessary to be evaluated.
- ✓ For the system under test, both the magnetic and electric fields are within the standards limits for human exposure

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