# Getting to Know Your Lithium Ion Battery

# **Terminology**

- 1. Capacity-The amount of energy stored in the battery
- 2. Cycles-The number of times a battery can be recharged
- 3. **Duration**-How long the battery lasts
- 4. Temperature-Operating Range
- 5. Purity-Density of material
- 6. Rate the speed or time it takes to charge a device

# Why do Lithium Ion Batteries Fail

### The key to good Battery Health

Maintaining Capacity. Lithium Ion Batteries lose capacity naturally over time

We as *Users* accelerate the loss of Capacity by failing to understand how Lithium Ion Batteries work. Causes of premature failure

Issue: Failure to understand the purpose of the device

Issue: Failue of keeping the battery within its proper temperature range

Issue: Failure to understand recharge cycles and rates

## **Conclusion**

### We are the problem!

Charging and discharging at the same time

Charging too often, there is a limit of approx. 512 charging cycles.

Wireless and Fast Charging (heat)

Maintaining battery capacity means longer life for that device. The goal: keeping the loss of capacity to under 10% per year.