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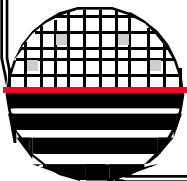
***Microelectromechanical Systems (MEMS)  
Actuators***

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*INTRODUCTION*

Actuators

Thermal

Two beam heated cantilever  
Polyimide on Heaters  
Bimetallic  
heaters on diaphragms

Electrostatic

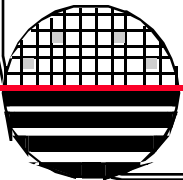
Capacitor Plate Drive  
Comb Drive

Electromagnetic

Diaphragm

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ZnO



*OUTLINE*

Polycrystalline Silicon Thermal Actuators

Heated Polyimide Mirrors

Polyimide Thermal Actuators

A Walking Silicon Micro-Robot

Electrostatic Force

Electrostatic Impact-Drive Microactuator

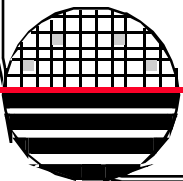
Shuffle Motor

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Diaphragms

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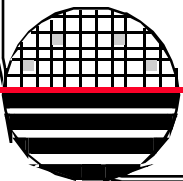
Heaters on a Diaphragm



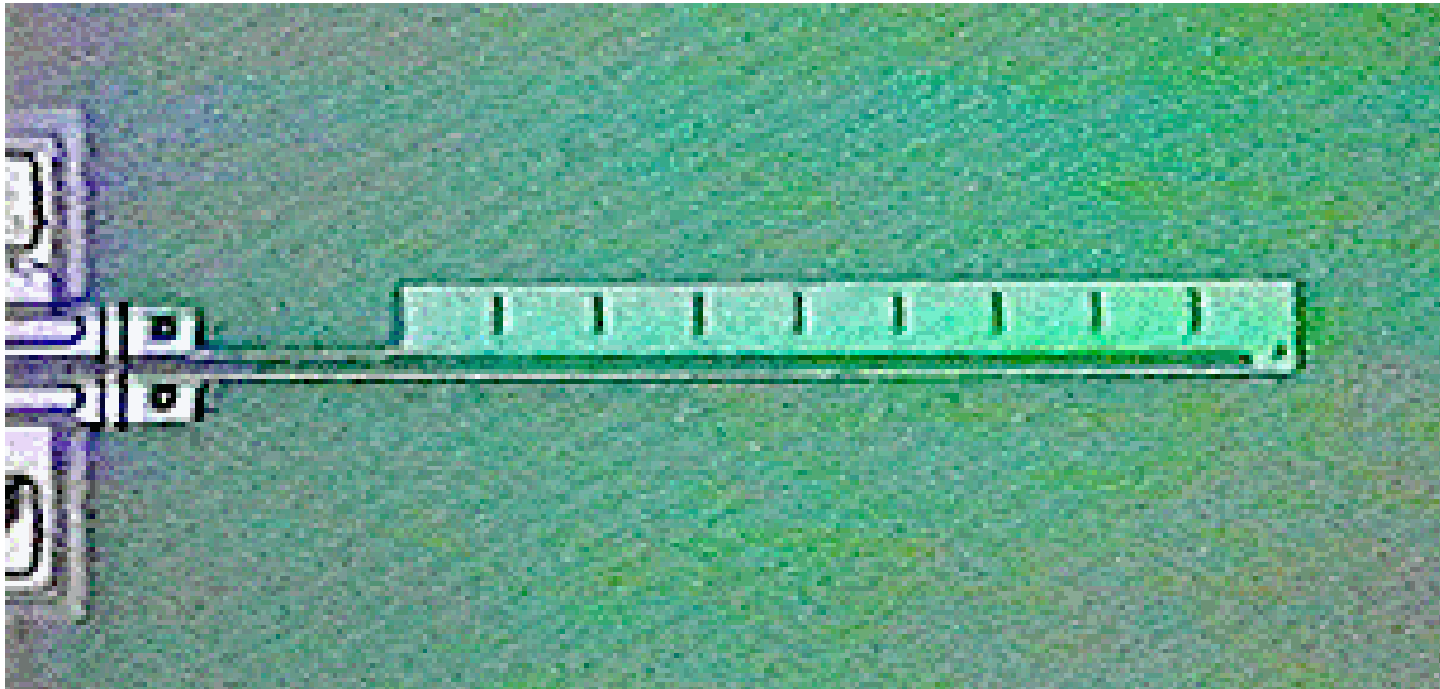
***POLYCRYSTALLINE SILICON THERMAL ACTUATORS***

Polycrystalline Silicon Thermal  
Actuators Integrated with Photodetector  
Position Sensors

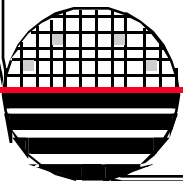
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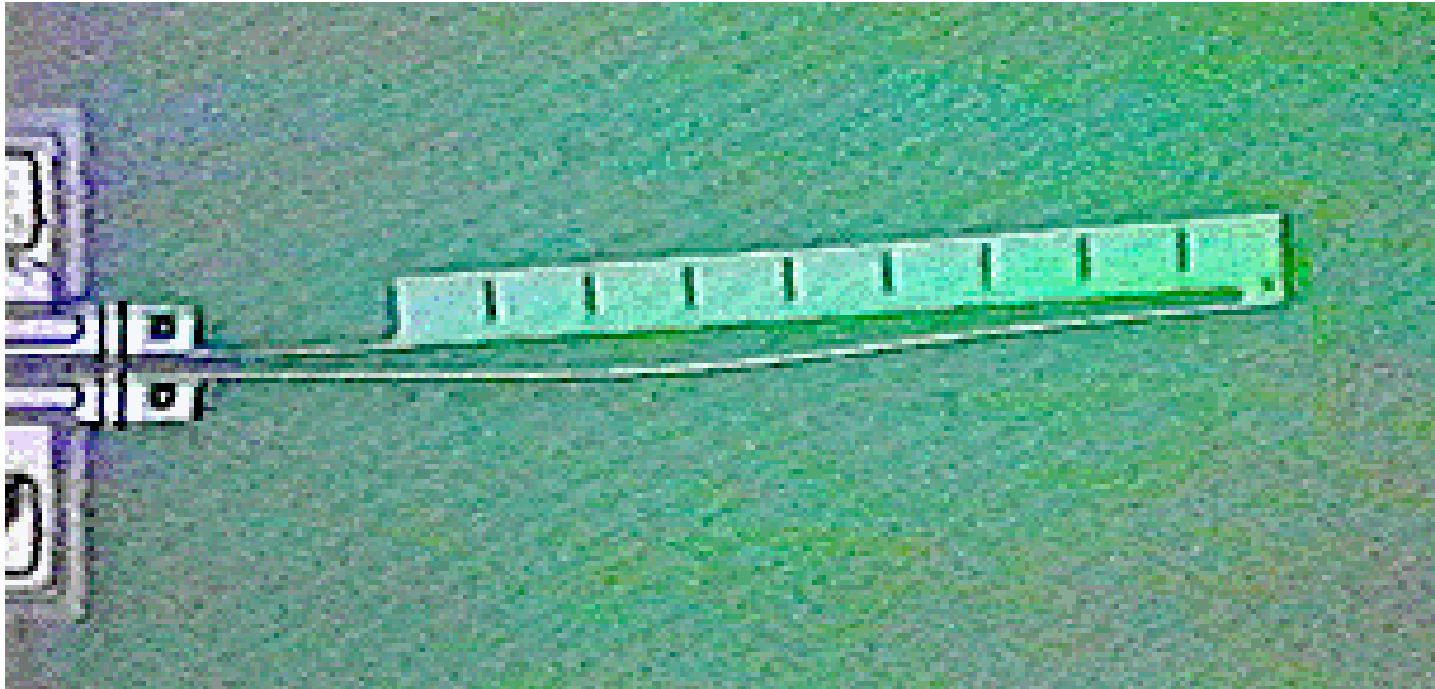
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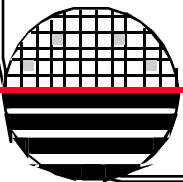
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Current flow



***THERMAL PROPERTIES***

	MP °C	Coefficient of Thermal Expansion ppm/°C	Thermal Conductivity w/cmK	Specific Heat cal/gm°C
Diamond	3825	1.0	20	0.169
Single Crystal Silicon	1412	2.33	1.5	0.167
Poly Silicon	1412	2.33	1.5	0.167
Silicon Dioxide	1700	0.55	0.014	
Silicon Nitride	1900	0.8	0.185	
Aluminum	660	22	2.36	0.215
Nickel	1453	13.5	0.90	0.107
Chrome	1890	5.1	0.90	0.03
Copper	1357	16.1	3.98	0.092
Gold	1062	14.2	3.19	0.031
Tungsten	3370	4.5	1.78	0.031
Titanium	1660	8.9	0.17	0.043
Tantalum	2996	6.5	0.54	0.033
Air			0.00026	0.24
Water	0		0.0061	1.00

$$1 \text{ watt} = 0.239 \text{ cal/sec}$$

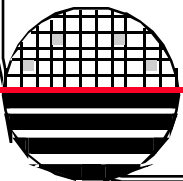
***THERMAL EXPANSION***

1. How much will a 500 um long bar of aluminum expand if it is heated 200 C above ambient?

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta L/L &= 22 \text{ ppm/C} \\ &= 22 \times 200 = 4400 \text{ ppm} = 4400\text{E-6} \\ \Delta L &= 4400\text{E-6} \times 500 \text{ um} = 2.2 \text{ um}\end{aligned}$$

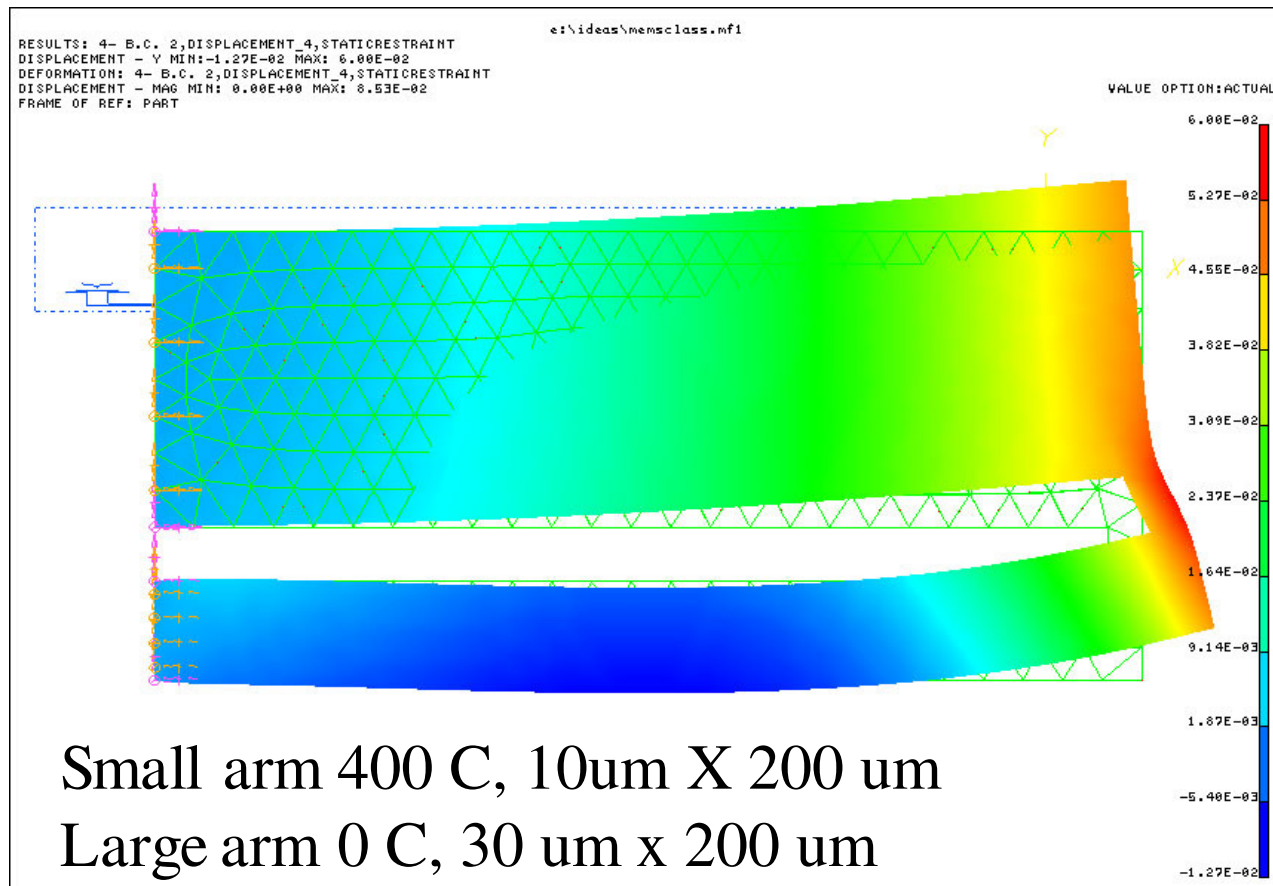
2. If the hot arm on a 200µm actuator is 400C hotter than the cold arm how much longer will it be ?

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta L/L &= 2.33 \text{ ppm/C} \\ &= 2.33 \times 400 = 932 \text{ ppm} = 932\text{E-6} \\ \Delta L &= 932\text{E-6} \times 200 \text{ um} = 0.186 \text{ um}\end{aligned}$$

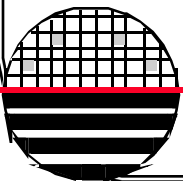




**FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS OF THERMAL BENDING**

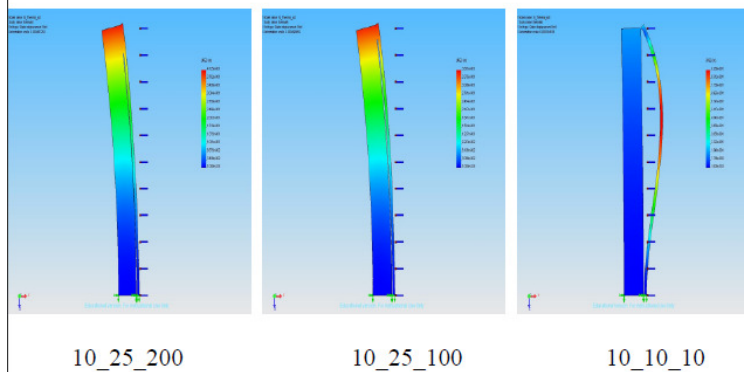


Small arm 400 C, 10um X 200 um  
Large arm 0 C, 30 um x 200 um  
Maximum Displacement = 0.12 um

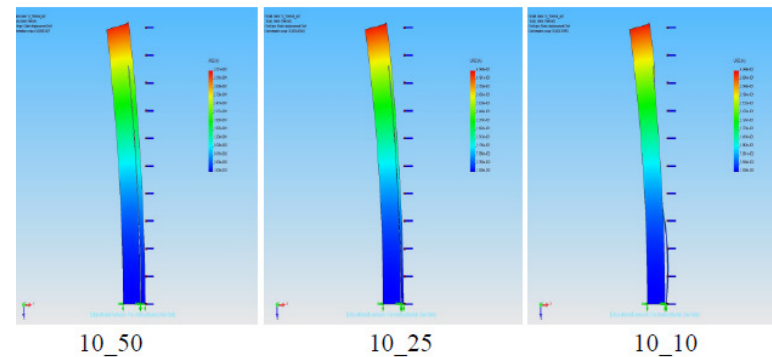


## SIMULATION

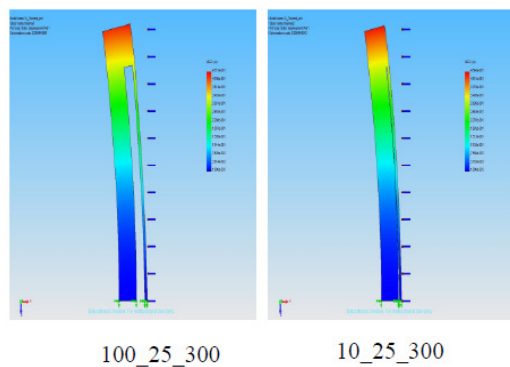
### Varying Connection Width Lx



### Varying small-arm width

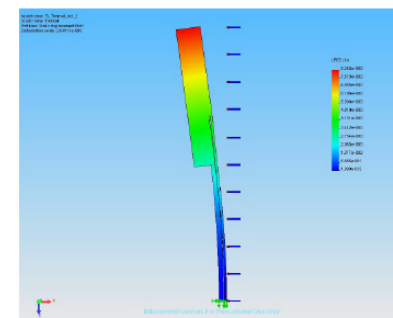


### Increasing gap width

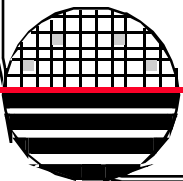


### Future Work

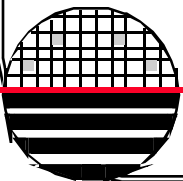
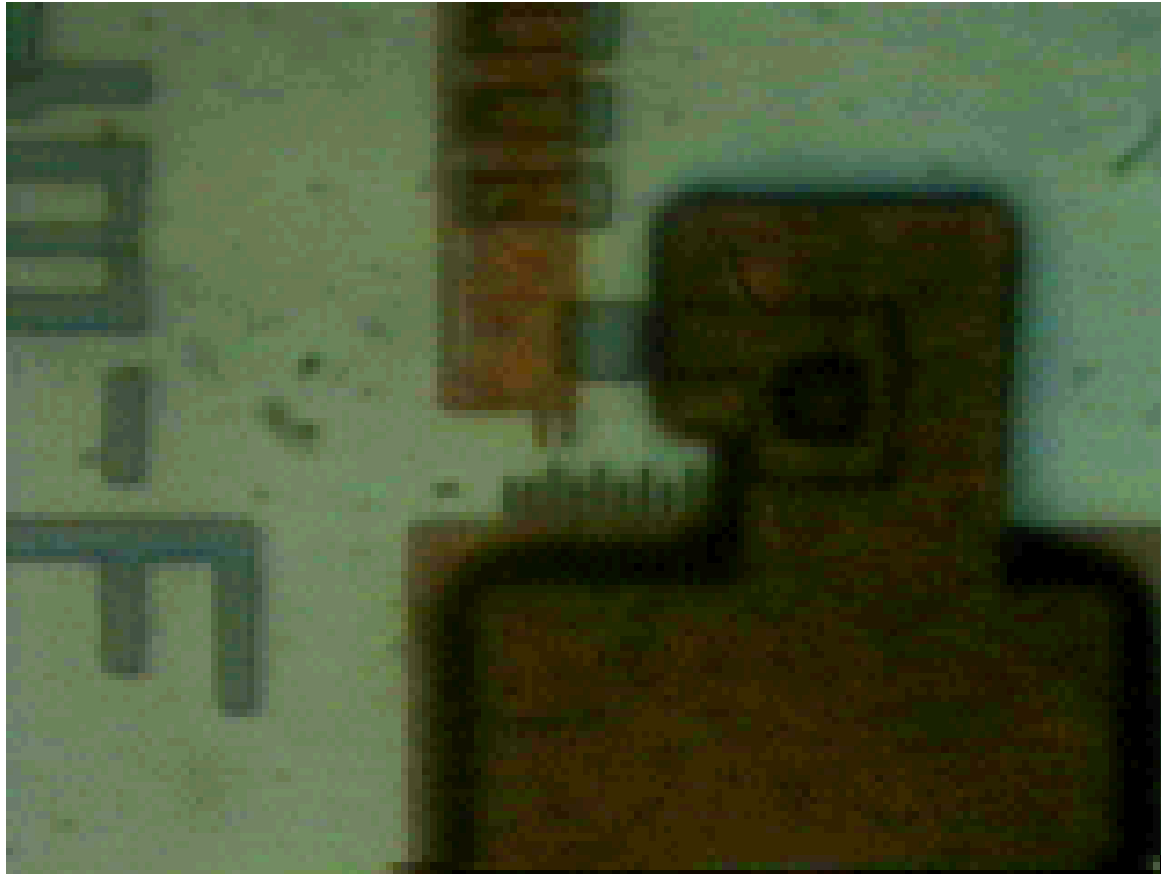
- Simulate structure that resembles the real design better (max displacement increases to  $301\mu\text{m}$  vs. the  $205\mu\text{m}$  of previous structure)
- Vary parameters and apply DOE techniques to investigate optimal parameters for max displacement.



Ws=25um, Lx=300um, Wg=10um  
Max displacement=301.4um



***THERMAL ACTUATOR MOVIE***



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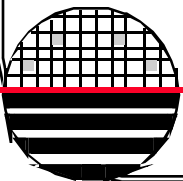
Summary

These devices give large mechanical motion  
on the order of several to few 10's of micrometers

These devices are analog

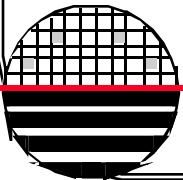
Integrated with analog photodiode position detection  
can give feedback for accurate position

Cycle fatigue seems to be infinite



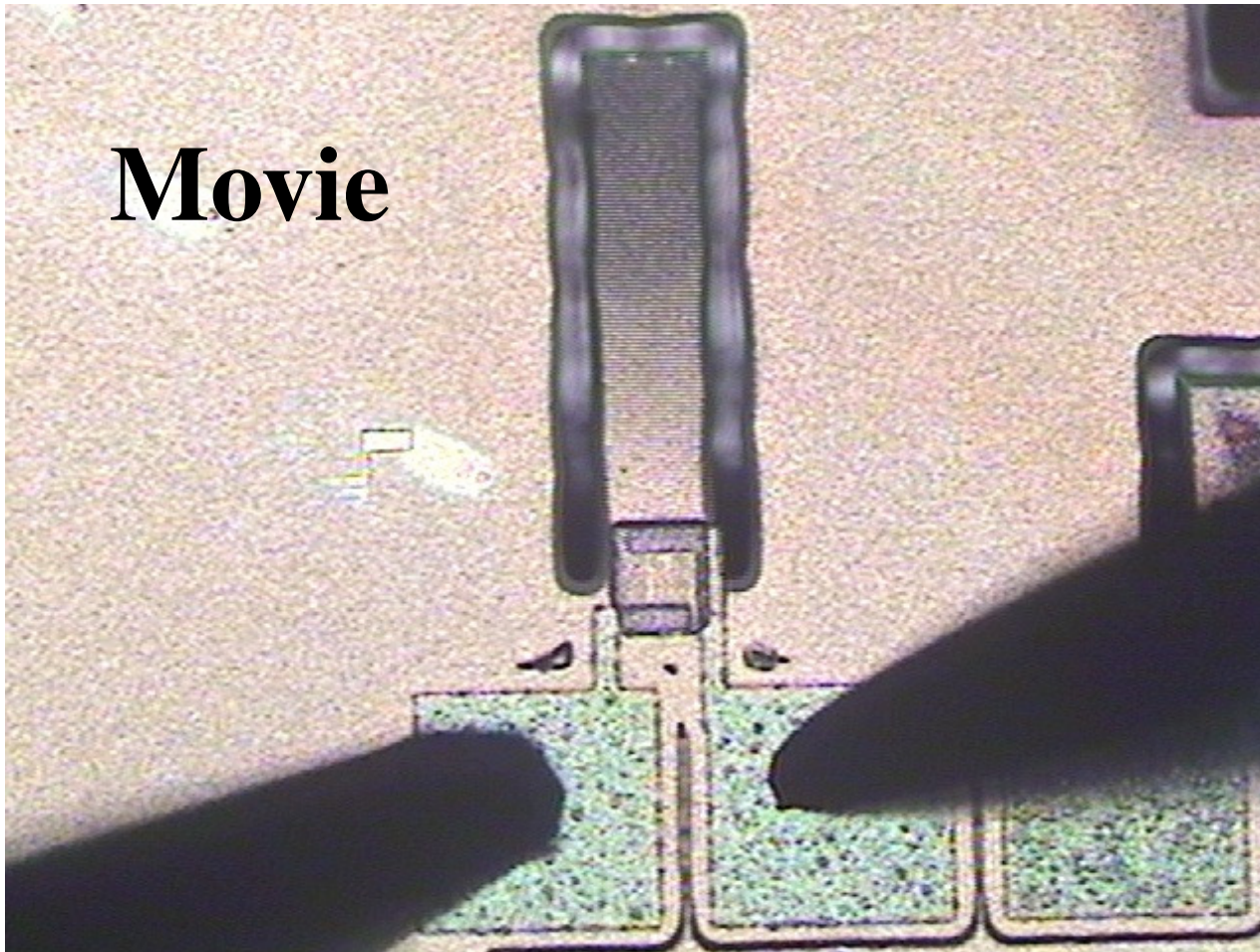
***COEFFICIENTS OF THERMAL EXPANSION***

	Thermal Expansion
Silicone Elastomers	275-300 ppm/°C
Unfilled Epoxies	100-200
Filled Epoxies	50-125
Epoxy, glass laminates	100-200
Epoxy, glass laminate, xy axis	12-16
Aluminum	20-25
Copper	15-20
Alumina Ceramic	6.3
Type 400 Steels	6.3-5.6
Glass Fabric	5.1
Borosilicate Glass	5.0
Silicon	2.4
Inconel	2.4
Nickel-iron alloy (30 Ni - 61 Fe)	1.22
Quartz	0.3

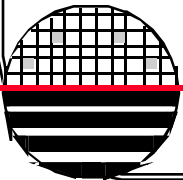


***POLYIMIDE ON HEATER***

**Movie**



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## A WALKING SILICON MICRO-ROBOT

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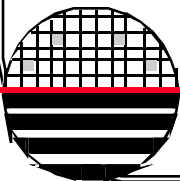
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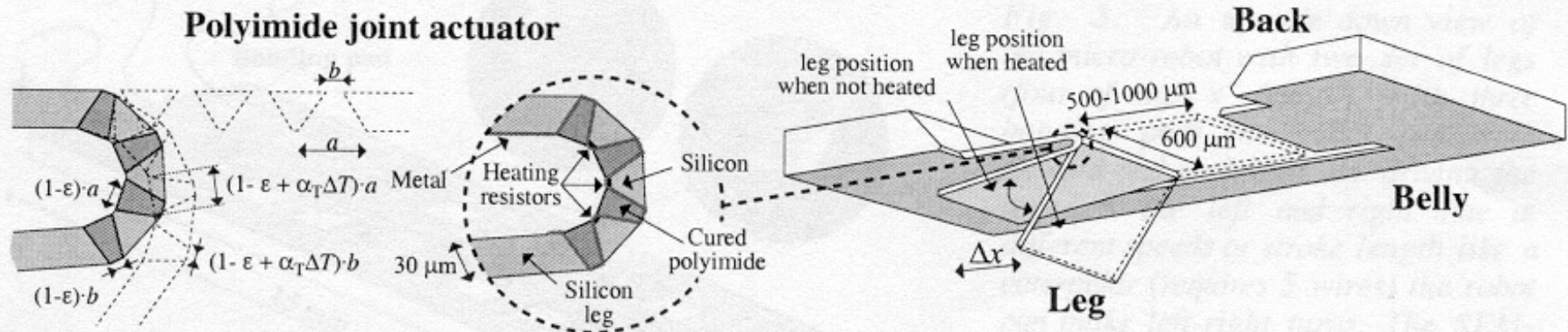
#### ABSTRACT

The first walking batch fabricated silicon micro-robot able to carry loads has been developed and investigated. The robot consists of arrays of movable robust silicon legs having a length of 0.5 or 1 mm. Motion is obtained by thermal actuation of robust polyimide joint actuators using electrical heating. Successful walking experiments have been performed with the 15x5 mm<sup>2</sup> sized micro-robot. Walking speeds up to 6 mm/s with high load capacity has been achieved. The robot could carry a maximum external load of 2500 mg on its back (> 30 times the dead-weight of the robot).



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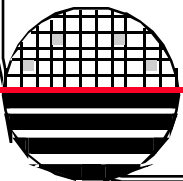
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**Fig. 1.** Design and actuation principle for the leg movements based on a four V-groove joint. By heating the joint a horizontal displacement,  $\Delta x$ , is obtained due to larger absolute thermal expansion of the polyimide at the top of the V-groove than at the bottom ( $\alpha_T \cdot \Delta T \cdot a > \alpha_T \cdot \Delta T \cdot b$ ).

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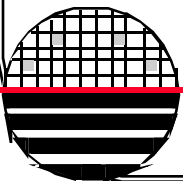
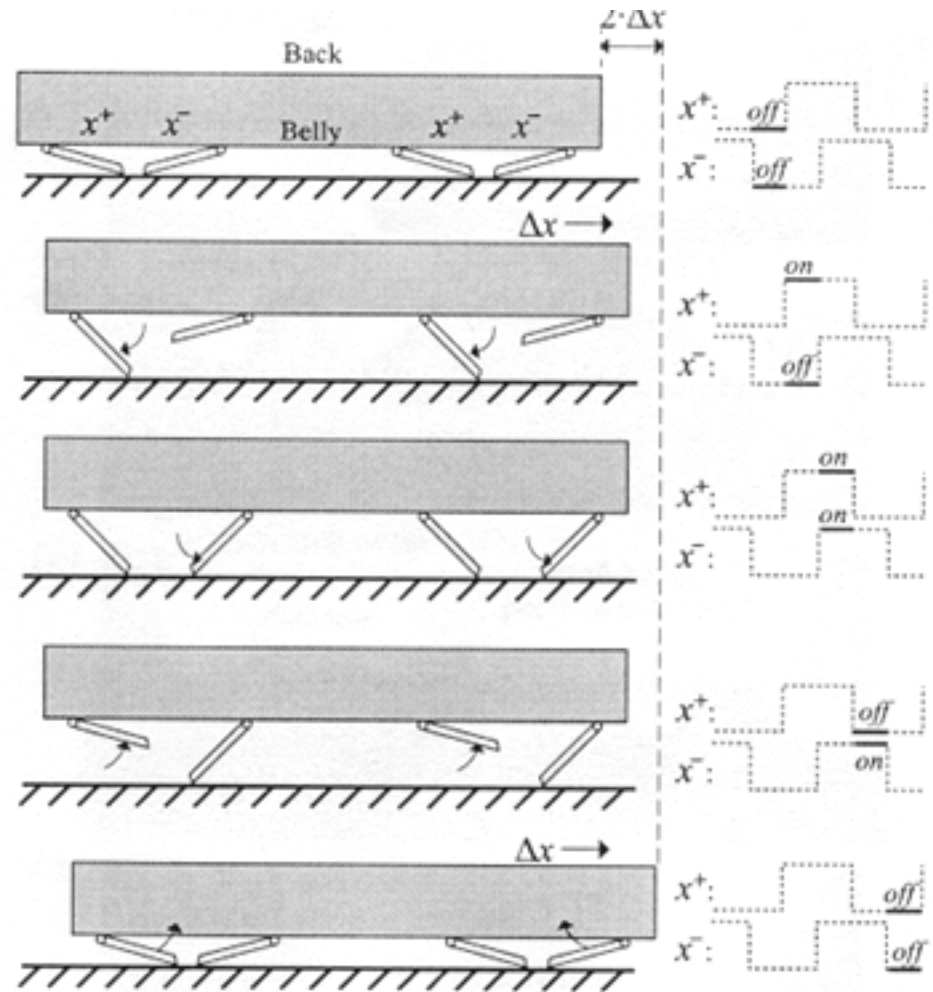


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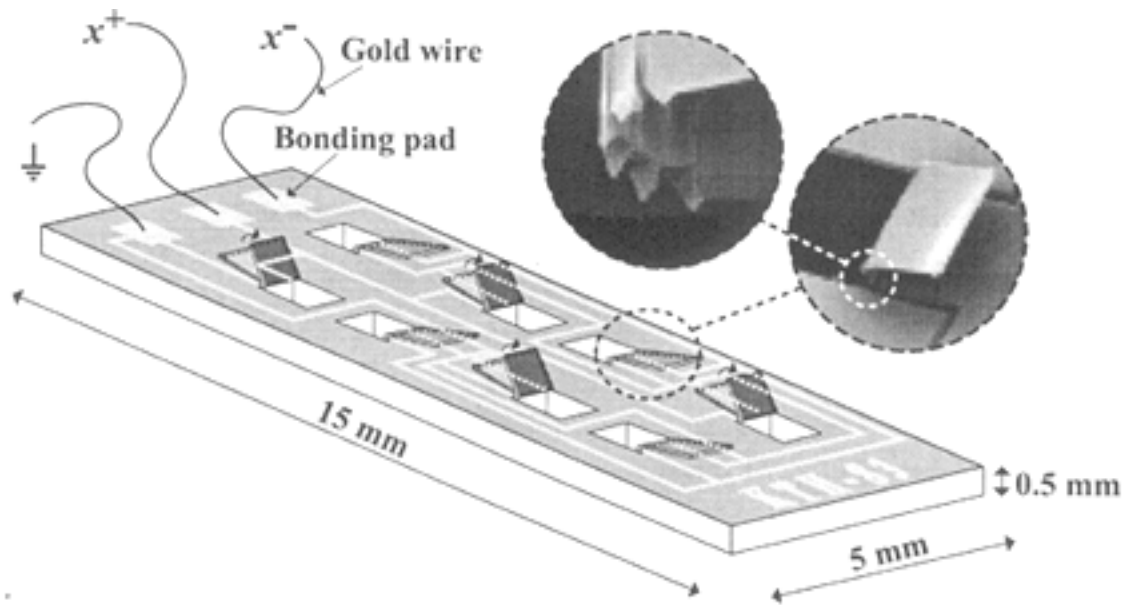


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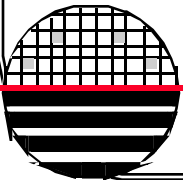
*Fig. 2. Operation principle for the asynchronous driven micro-robot. A displacement equal to  $2 \cdot \Delta x$  is obtained during one period due to the fixed phase difference of 90 degrees between the two sets of legs ( $x^+$  and  $x^-$ ). A 180 degrees phase-shift between  $x^+$  and  $x^-$  will result in walking in the opposite direction.*



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*Fig. 3. An up-side down view of the micro-robot with two set of legs (four of each  $x^+$  and  $x^-$ ). With three bonding pads the robot can walk forward and backward. By driving the legs on the left and right side at different speeds or stroke length like a caterpillar (requires 5 wires) the robot can make left-right turns. The SEM-photos show silicon leg with a length of 500  $\mu\text{m}$  and a close-up of a five V-groove polyimide joint.*



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### FABRICATION

The fabrication process is schematically shown in Fig. 4 [10, 14]. The key steps are: (a) forming the integrated heater using LPCVD-deposited poly-silicon encapsulated in low-stressed silicon nitride and anisotropic KOH etching of 30  $\mu\text{m}$  deep V-grooves. (b) local silicon dioxide (LOCOS) growth, forming via holes to the heaters, patterning the 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  thick aluminium conductors deposited by sputtering. (c) spinning and patterning the polyimide in the V-grooves, a backside 500  $\mu\text{m}$  KOH silicon etch. (d) dicing the robot (from the back-side), a BHF oxide etch and solvent cleaning to release the 30  $\mu\text{m}$  thick silicon legs and the protecting wafer, finally a polyimide curing in an oven to erect the legs.

Several different versions of the micro-robot have been fabricated:

- Polyimide joint actuator variants: with 3 and 4 V-grooves
- Leg variants: 2x6 with a length of 500  $\mu\text{m}$  and 2x4 with a length of 1000  $\mu\text{m}$
- Steering variants: two groups of four or six legs (3 bonding pads for back and forth) and four groups of two or three legs (5 bonding pads for back and forth + right and left)
- Two DOF-legs (both knee and ankle joint) for walking up/down steps or on rough surfaces.

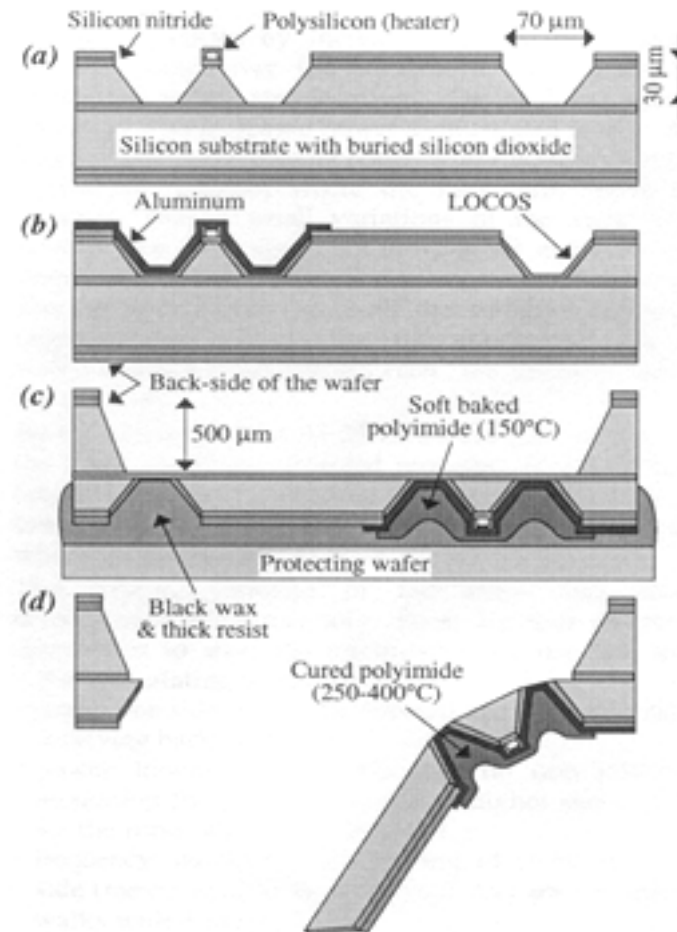
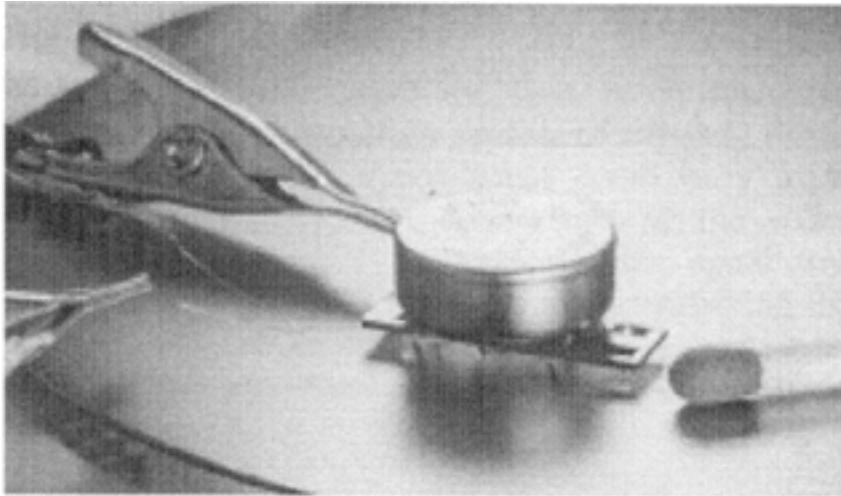


Fig. 4. Schematic of the fabrication process based on SOI-wafers.

Fig. 3. An up-side down view of

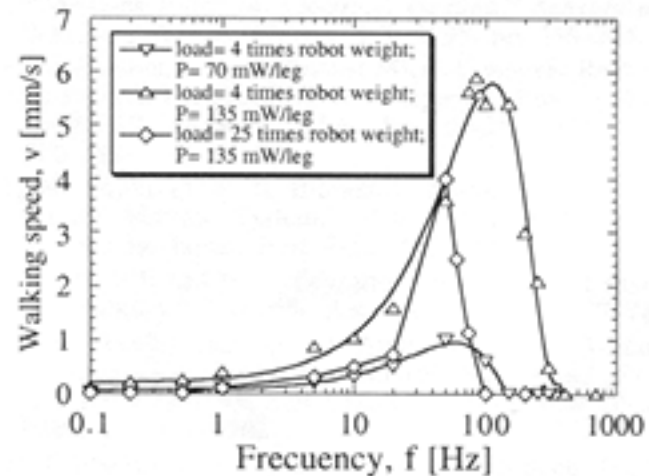
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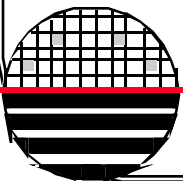
*Fig. 5. The micro-robot during a load test. The load of 2500 mg is equivalent to maximum 625 mg/leg (or more than 30 times the weight of robot itself). The power supply is maintained through three 30  $\mu\text{m}$  thin and 5 to 10 cm long bonding wires of gold.*

*Table 1. Characteristic measurements of the polyimide joint actuators.*

Curing temp, $T$ / shrinkage, $\epsilon$	350 °C / 40% (3 V-grooves) 280 °C / 30% (4 V-grooves)
Life-time	$> 2 \cdot 10^8$ load cycles
Stroke length, $\Delta x$ / power consumption, $P$	$< 340 \mu\text{m}$ / $< 175 \text{ mW}$ (for 1 mm leg with 4 V-grooves)
Cut-off frequency, $f_c$	3 – 4 Hz (-3 dB)
Force / displacement (before plastic deform.)	50-100 mN / 250-400 $\mu\text{m}$



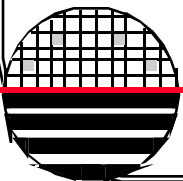
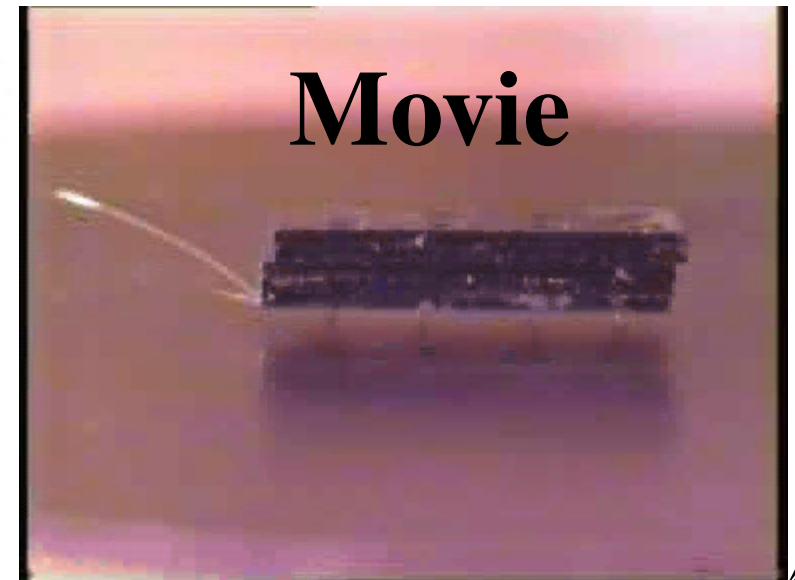
*Fig. 6. Walking speed as a function of frequency for different loads and power.*



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#### CONCLUSION

This paper has presented the first batch fabricated walking silicon micro-robot capable of carrying loads. The polyimide joint based robot could carry loads more than 30 times the dead-weight of the robot itself. The maximum measured walking speed was 6 mm/s with potential to improve by modifying the steering. The challenge for the future is to create tele-operated and autonomous micro-robots on a single silicon chip.



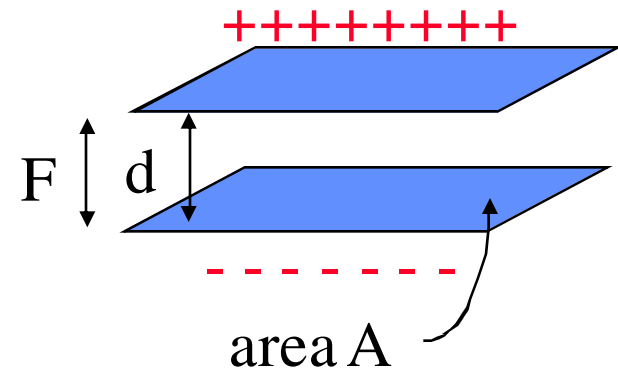
***CAPACITIVE ELECTROSTATIC FORCE***

Energy stored in a parallel plate capacitor  $W$   
with area  $A$  and space between plates of  $d$

$$W = QV = CV^2$$

since  $Q = CV$

The energy stored in a capacitor  
can be equated to the force times  
distance between the plates

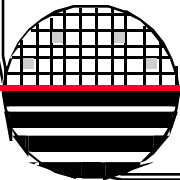


$$W = Fd \text{ or } F = W/d$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r A}{d}$$

$$F = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r AV^2}{2d^2}$$

$\epsilon_0$  = permittivity of free space =  $8.85 \times 10^{-12}$  Farads/m  
 $\epsilon_r$  = relative permittivity (for air  $\epsilon_r = 1$ )



***ELECTROSTATIC FORCE EXAMPLE***

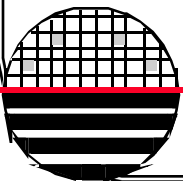
Example: 100  $\mu\text{m}$  by 100  $\mu\text{m}$  parallel plates  
 space = 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , voltage = 10 V

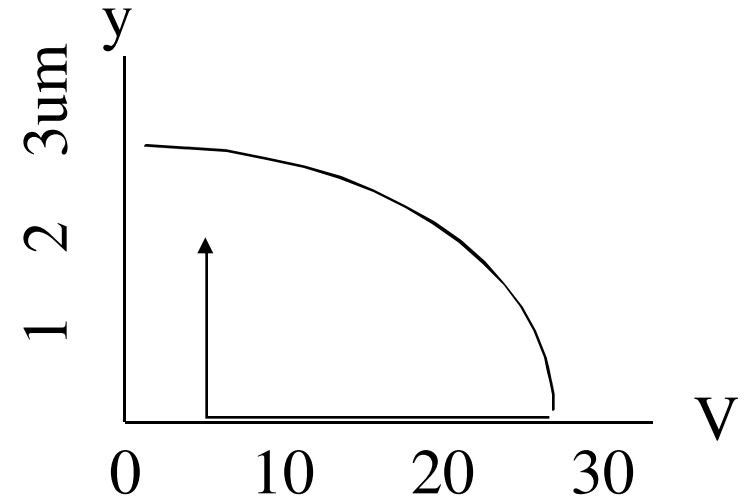
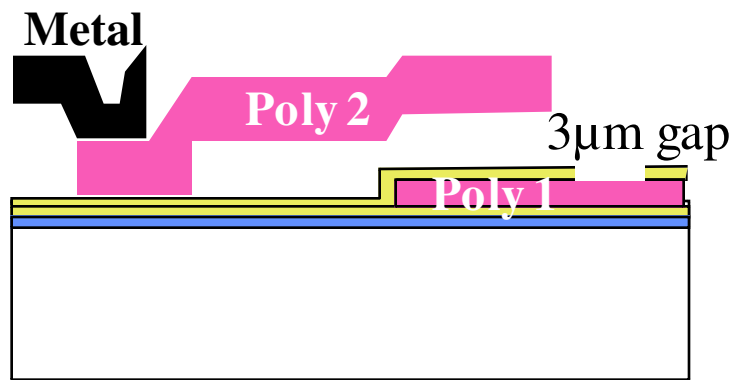
Find the force of attraction between the two plates

$$F = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r A V^2}{2d^2}$$

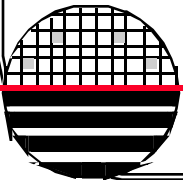
$$F = \frac{(8.85\text{e-}12)(1)(100\text{e-}6)(100\text{e-}6)(10)^2}{2(1\text{e-}6)^2}$$

$$F = 4.42\text{e-}6 \text{ newtons}$$



**MEMS CANTILEVER WITH ELECTROSTATIC ACTUATOR**

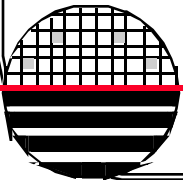
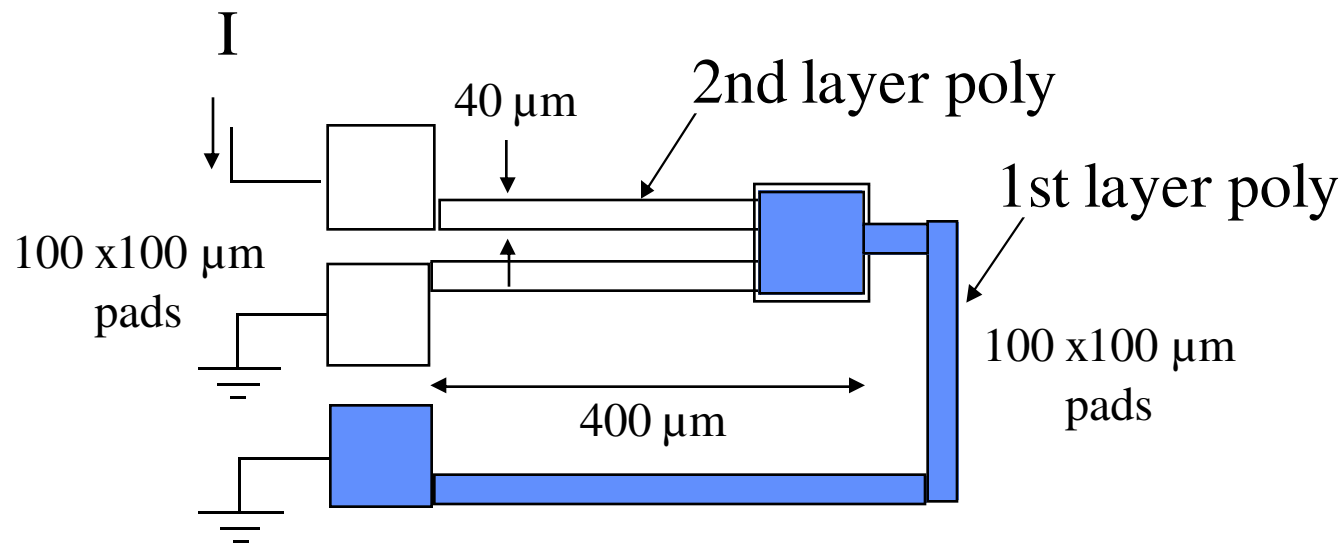
As the voltage is increased the electrostatic force starts to pull down the cantilever. The spring constant opposes the force but at the same time the gap is decreased and the force increases. The electrostatic force increases with  $1/d^2$  so eventually a point is reached where it is larger than the spring force and the cantilever snaps down all the way. The voltage has to be reduced almost to zero to release the cantilever.



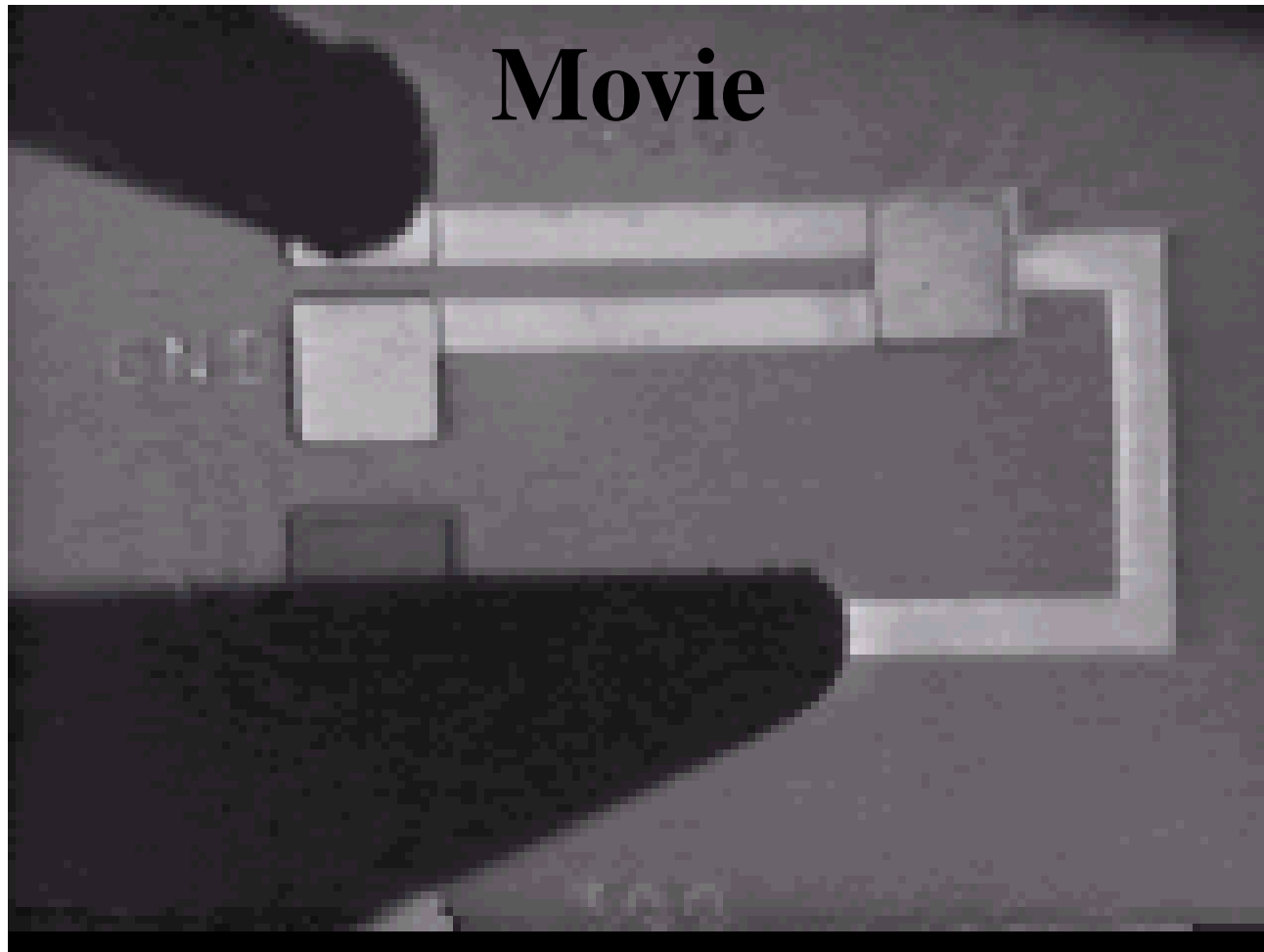


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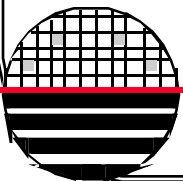
Example: Plot the displacement versus current assuming poly sheet resistance of 200 ohms/sq, a piezoresistance coefficient of  $1e-10$  cm/dyne,  $d=1.5$   $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $h=2$   $\mu\text{m}$  and other appropriate assumptions.



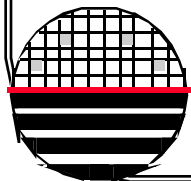
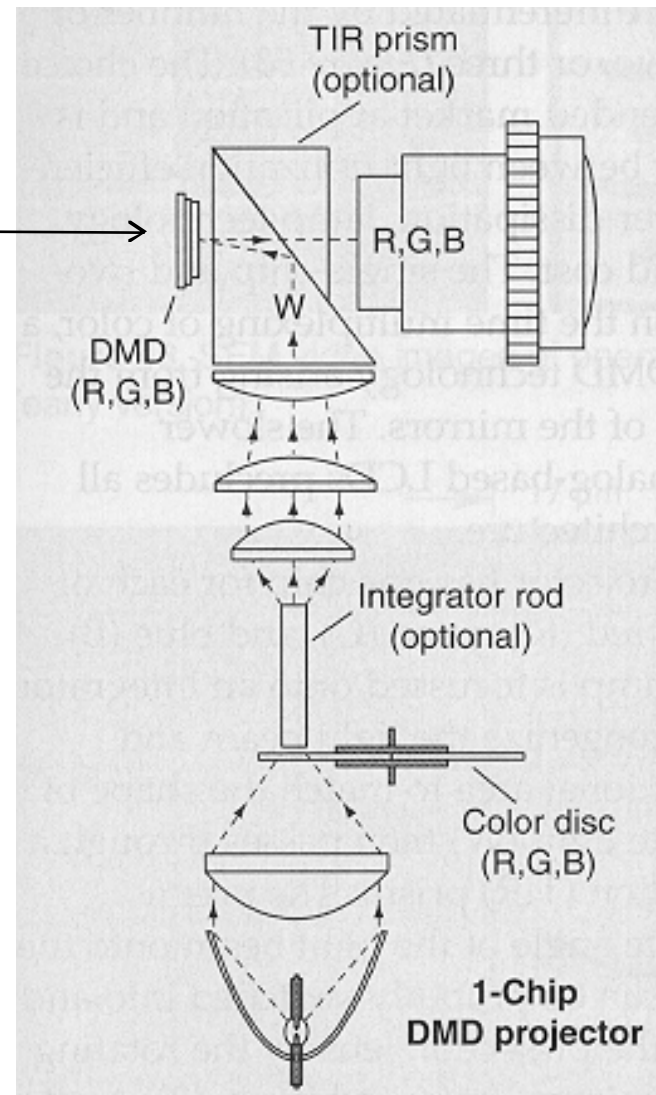
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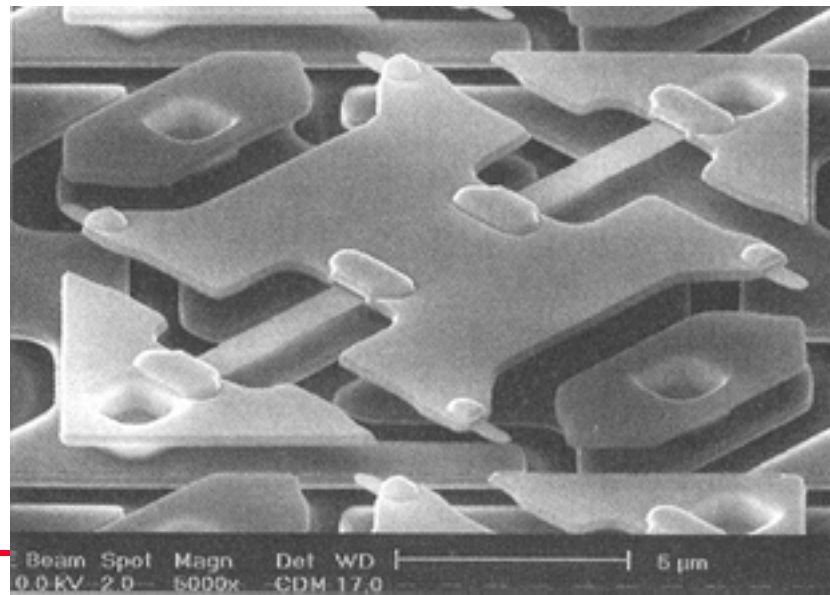
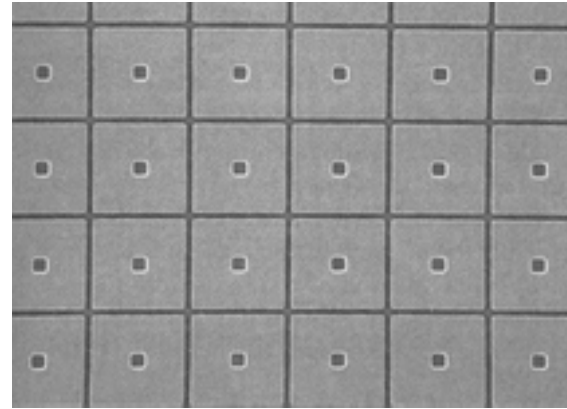
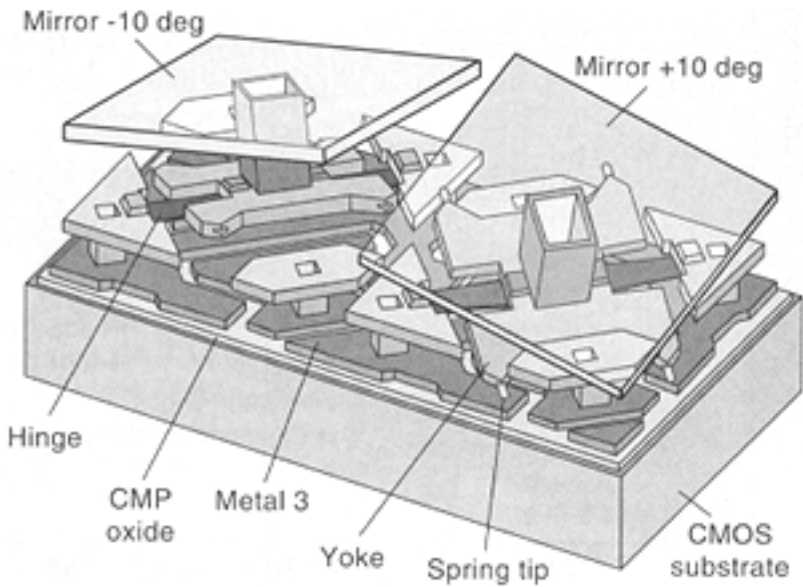
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# DIGITAL LIGHT PROJECTION SYSTEM

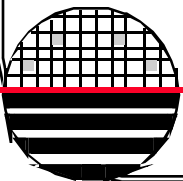


**TI DLP - ELECTROSTATIC MIRRORS**



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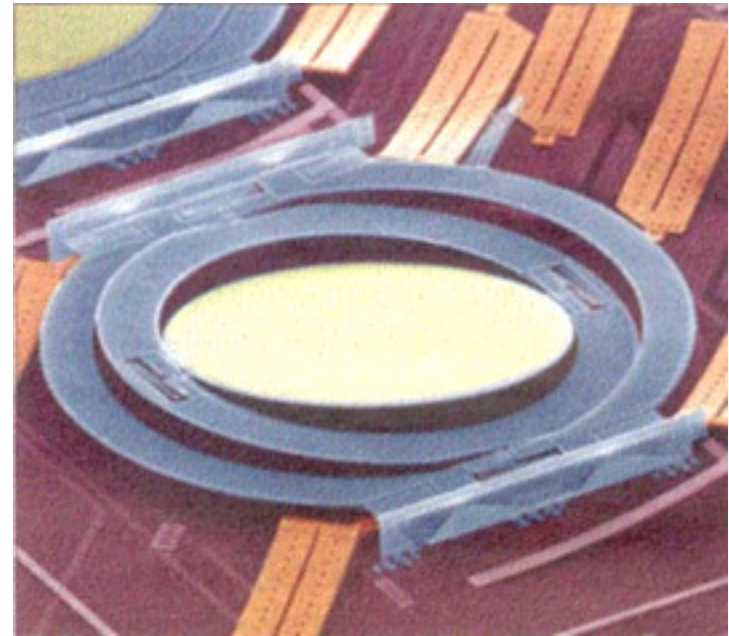
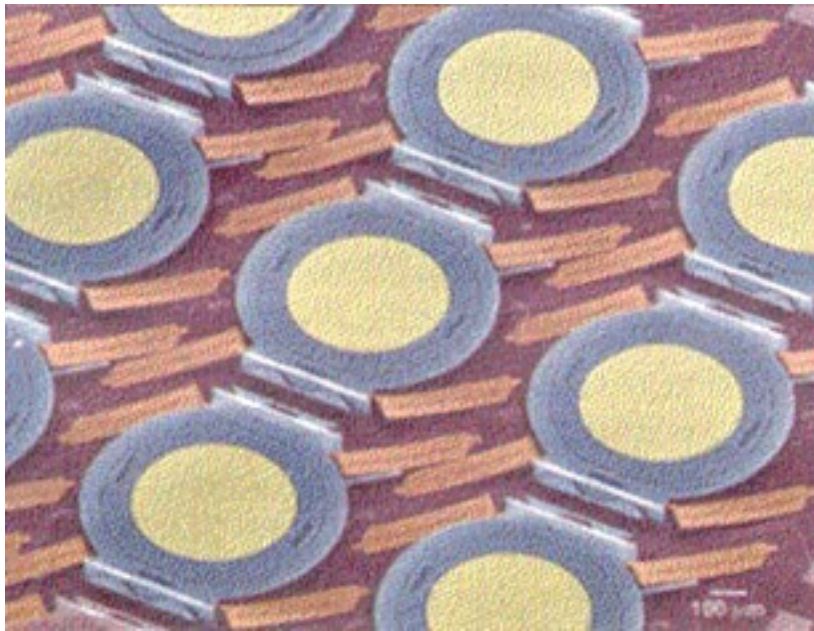
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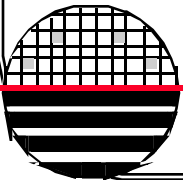
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MOEMs - Micro Optical Electro Mechanical Systems

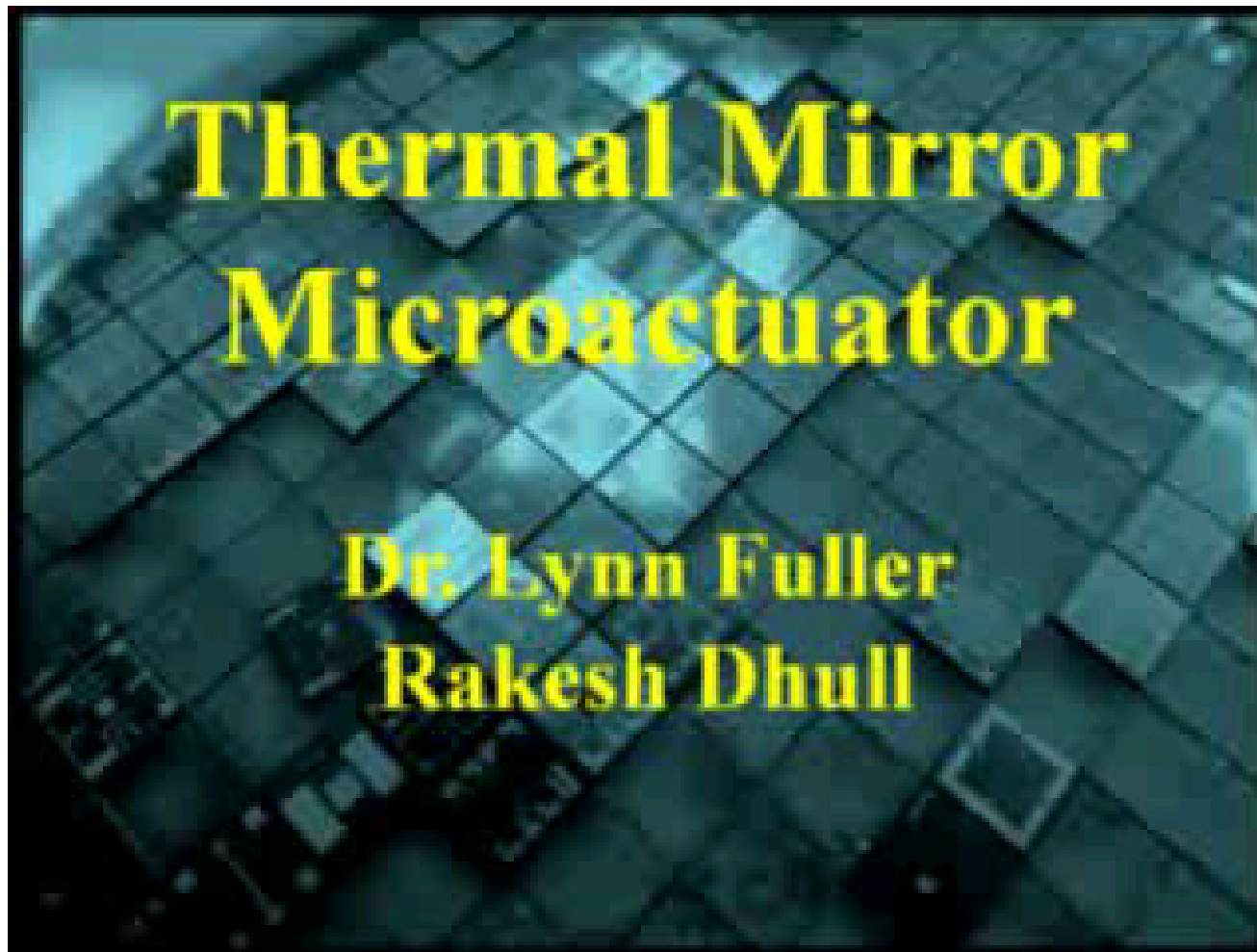


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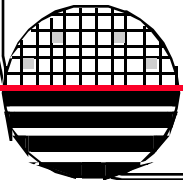
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***THERMALLY ACTUATED MICRO MIRROR***



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***ELECTROSTATIC IMPACT-DRIVE MICROACTUATOR***

**Electrostatic Impact-Drive Microactuator**

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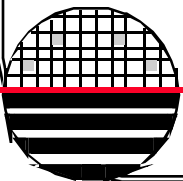
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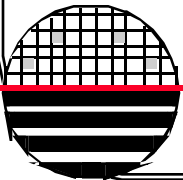
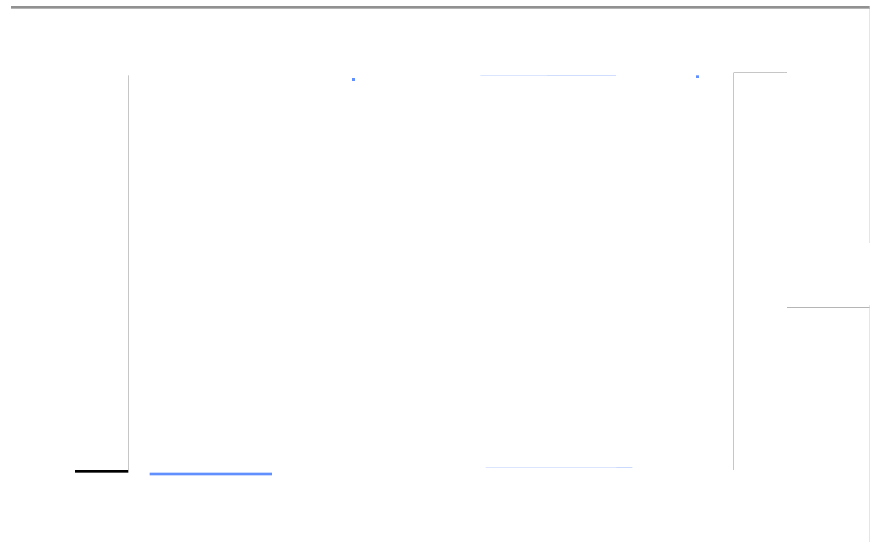
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**ABSTRACT**

A fully packagable micromachined actuator was developed for generating precise but unlimited displacement. A suspended silicon mass is encapsulated between glass plates and driven by electrostatic force. By hitting a stopper, it generates impact force to drive the whole actuator in a small step ( $\sim 10\text{nm}$ ). It is a micromachined and electrostatic version of the impact-drive actuator.



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## *ELECTROSTATIC IMPACT-DRIVE MICROACTUATOR*

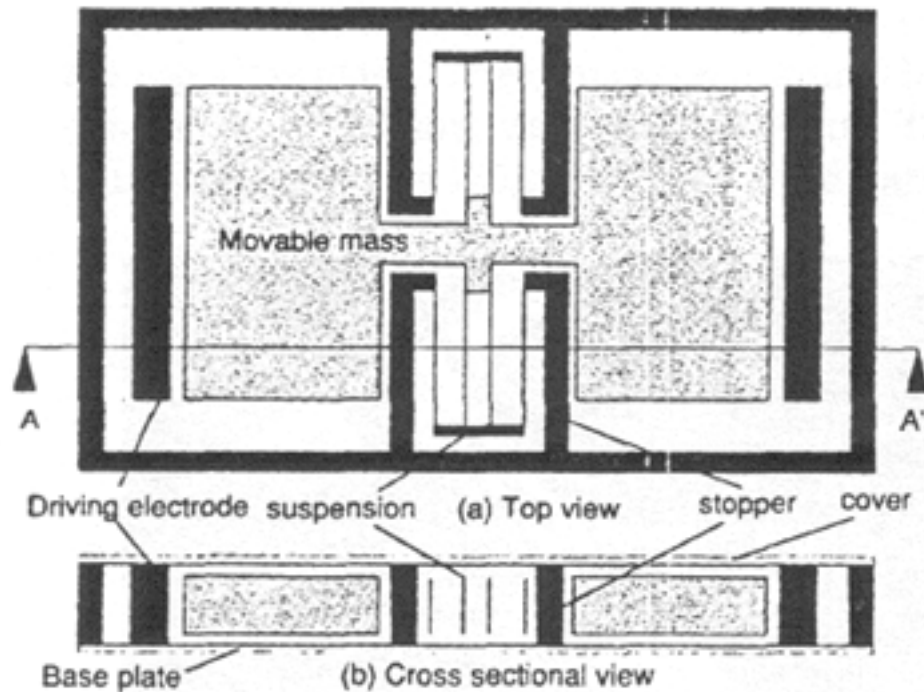
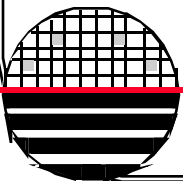


Figure 1: Structure of impact actuator

1. Actuator can generate high power
2. Maintain a position precisely
3. Move a long distance.



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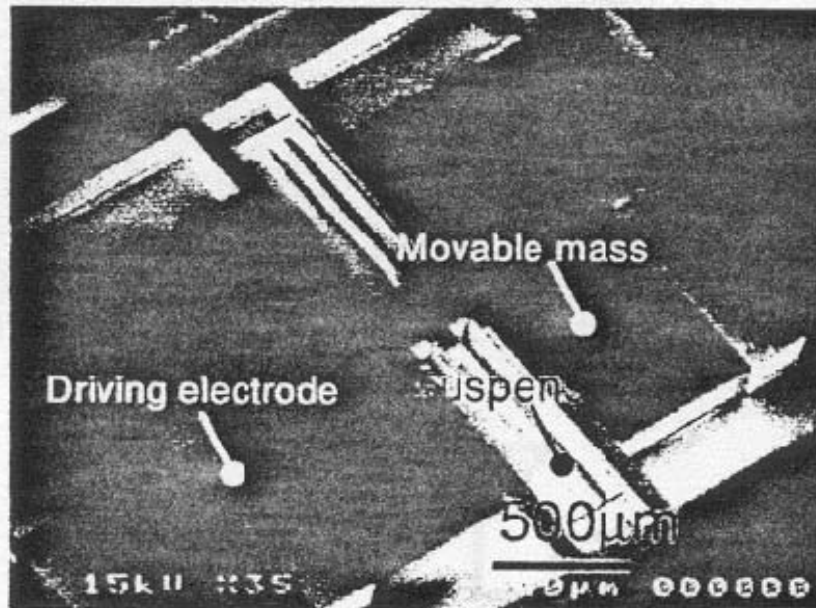


Figure 4: SEM view of the actuator

### FABRICATION PROCESS

Figure 3 shows the fabrication process. We made the actuator from a silicon wafer by using dry bulk micromachining.

(a) First, we apply an aluminum layer on the 255 $\mu\text{m}$ -thick silicon wafer and patterned aluminum to define an external wall and fixed electrodes. The same pattern was formed on the backside by photolithography for fixed parts like anchor and driving electrode.

(b) We perform ICP-RIE from the backside of the wafer and define the recess to release the movable structure. In this time, fixed parts are not etched.

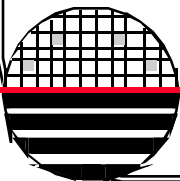
(c) After photoresist removal by  $\text{O}_2$  plasma ashing, the wafer is bonded on a Pyrex glass by anodic bonding.

(d) The second lithography on the front side defines the mass and suspensions.

(e) After dicing the wafer into individual samples, ICP-RIE is performed from the front side.

(f) We remove the photoresist mask and perform ICP-RIE again. (delay-masking process [3]) Movable parts can be released from top glass.

(g) Finally, a glass is bonded on top of the sample to encapsulate the structures completely.



## ***ELECTROSTATIC IMPACT-DRIVE MICROACTUATOR***

### Testing

Figure shows test results for 1Hz actuation, each impact gives 20 nm displacement

Lifetime looks good. Test for 1 month, 550 million collisions, no visible problems

Energy was supplied to actuator by wireless RF transmission

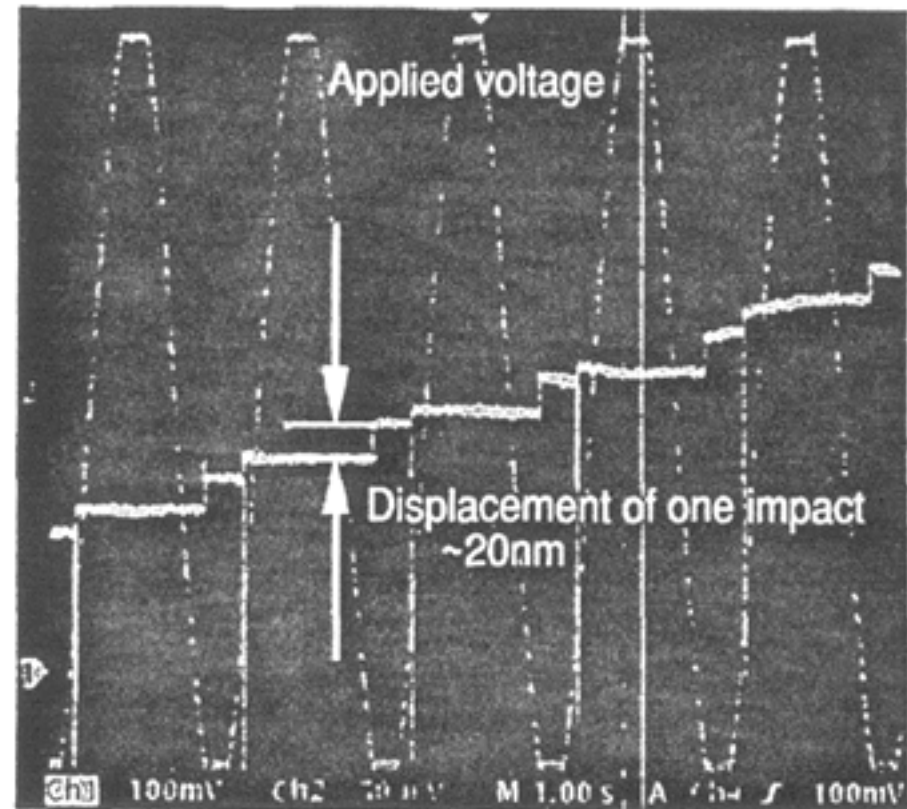
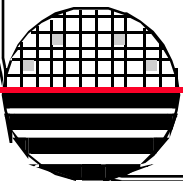


Figure 7: Displacement of one impact



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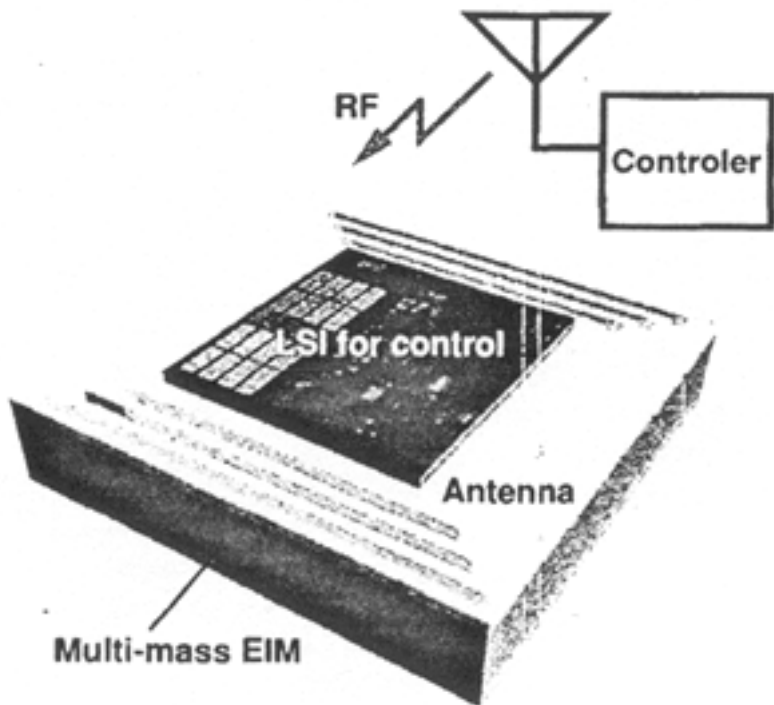


Figure 9: Wireless energy supply system

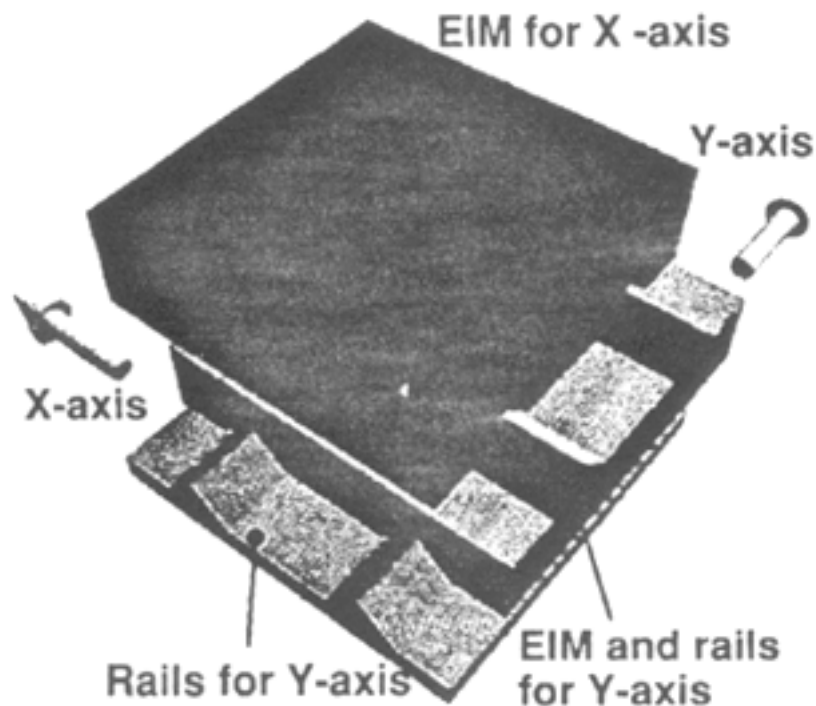
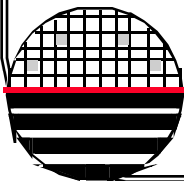


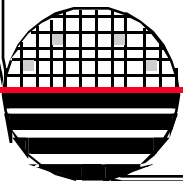
Figure 10: Micro X-Y stage



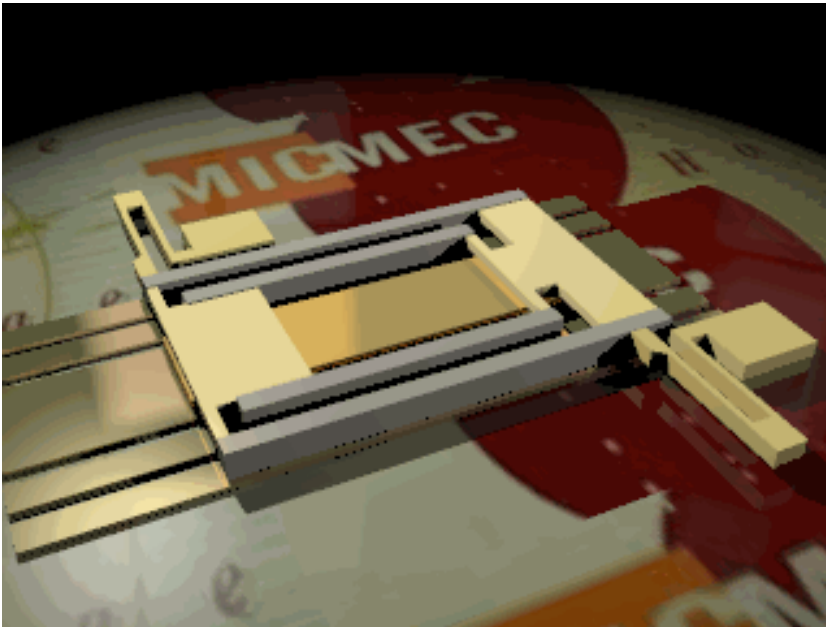
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Conclusion

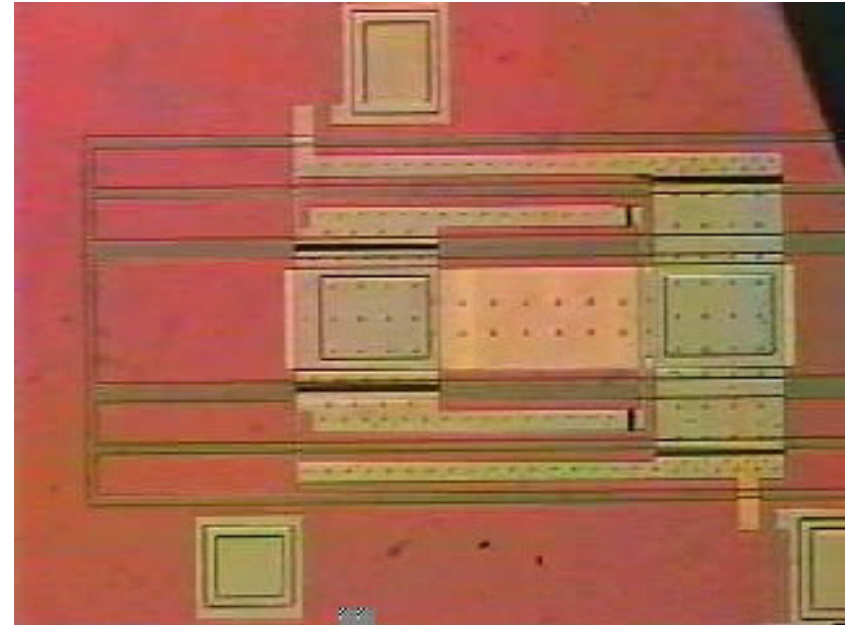
A New type of actuator is described  
Driven by electrostatic force  
~15 nm per impact at 100 Volts  
Speed of 2.7  $\mu\text{m}/\text{sec}$  at 200 Hz  
Life greater than 550 million impacts



*SHUFFLE MOTOR MOVIES*

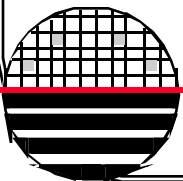


Movie



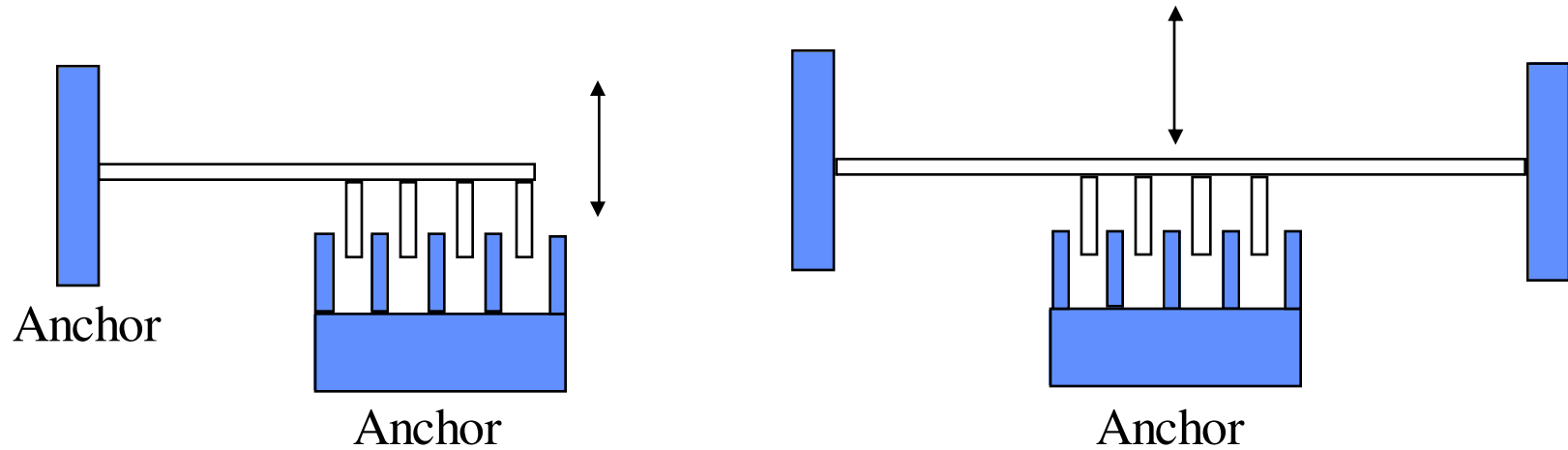
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What actuation mechanism is this?

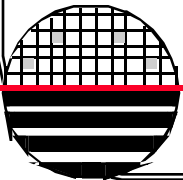


***GAP COMB DRIVE MICROACTUATORS***

**Electrostatic movement parallel to wafer surface**



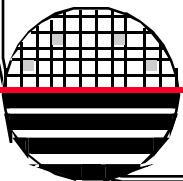
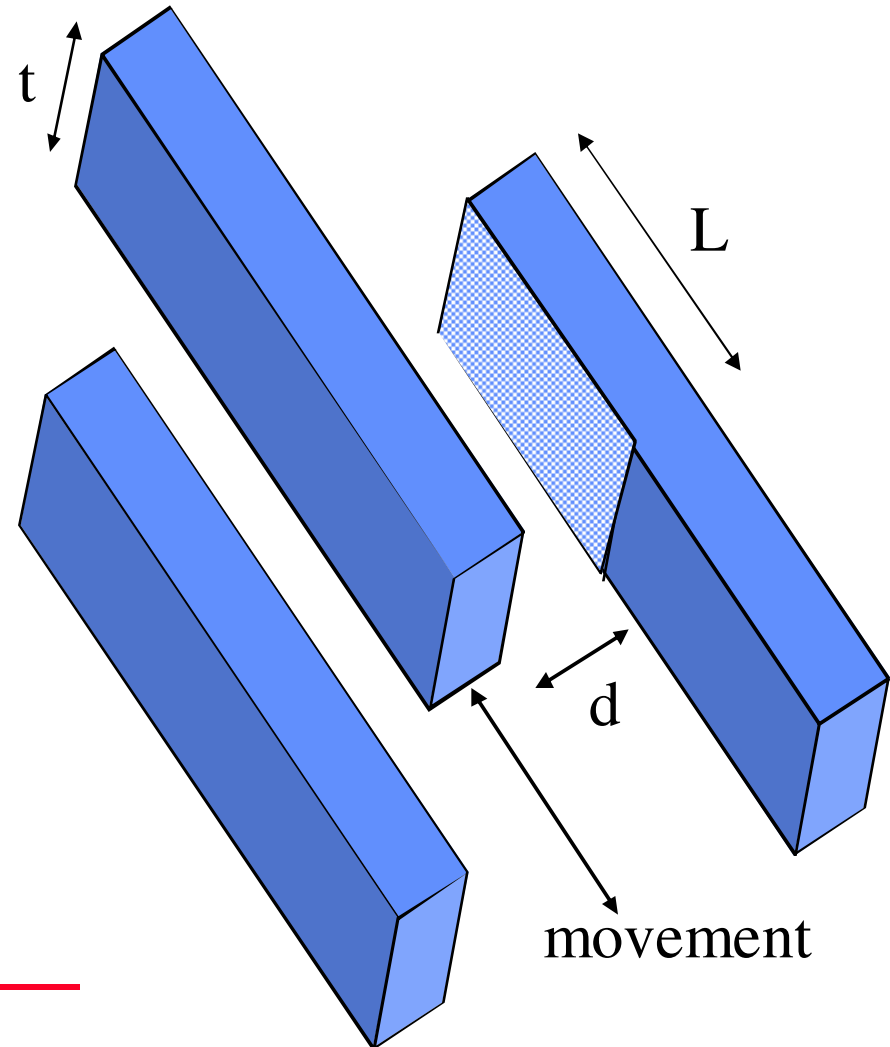
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***CALCULATION OF DISPLACEMENT VS VOLTAGE***

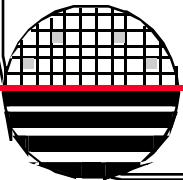
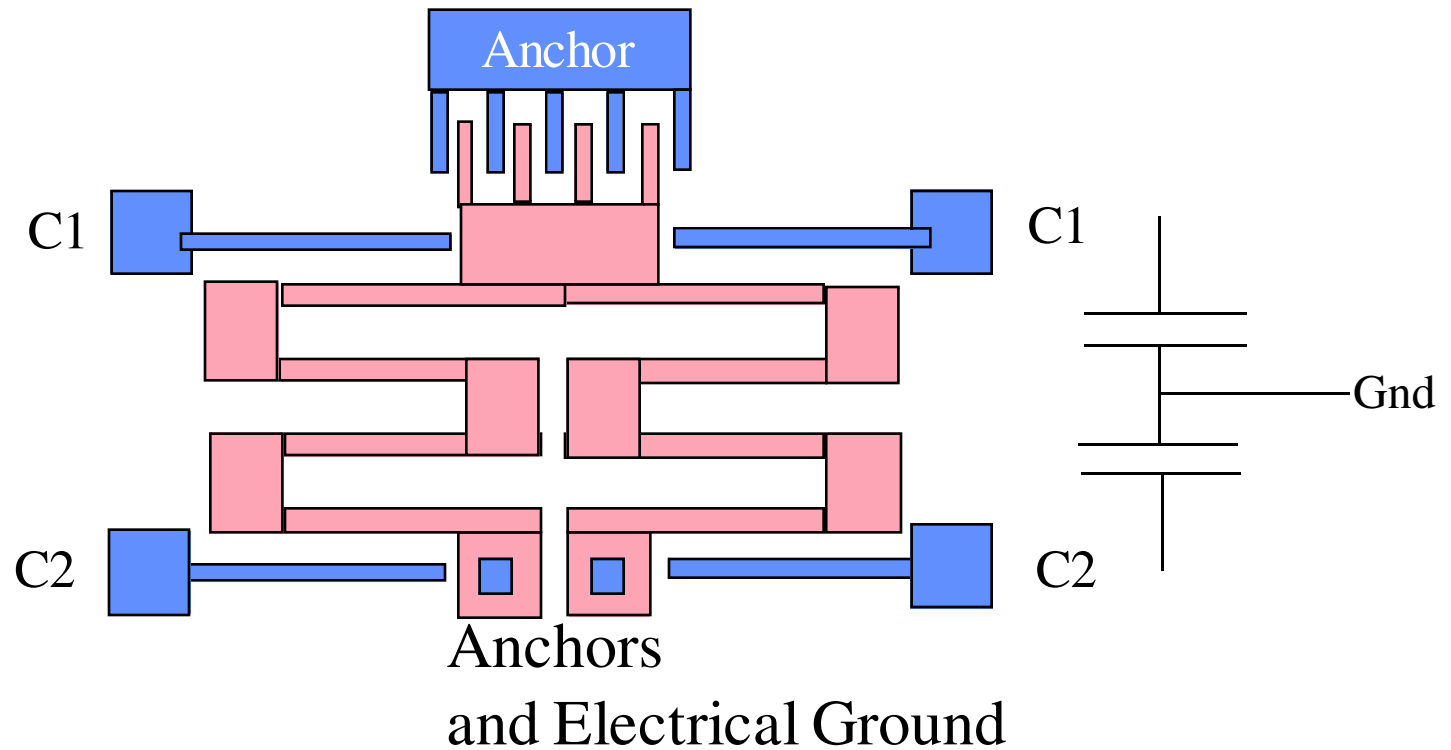
$$C = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 t L/d$$

$$F = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0 t V^2 / 2 d$$

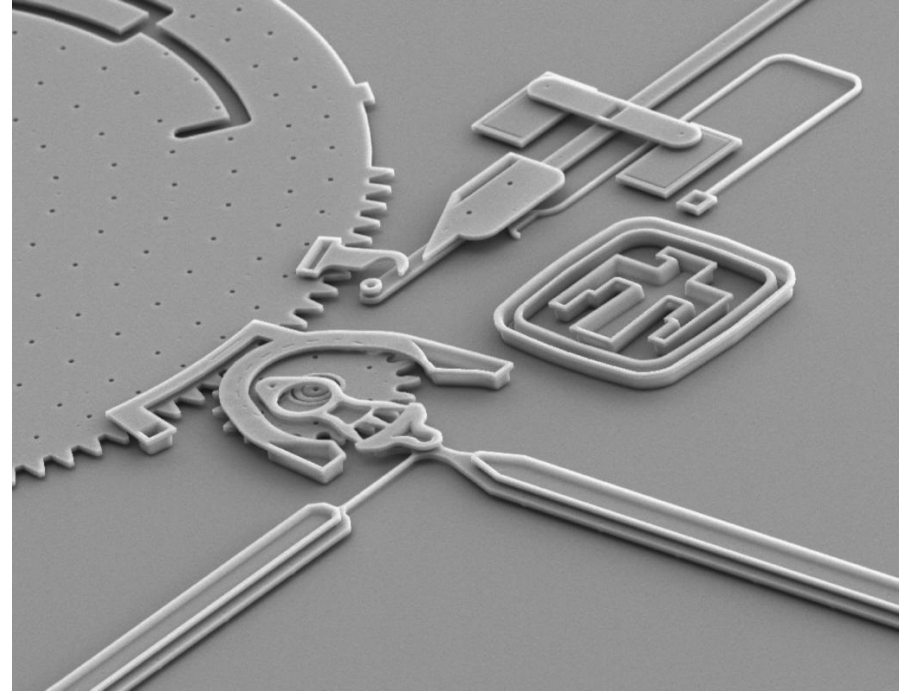
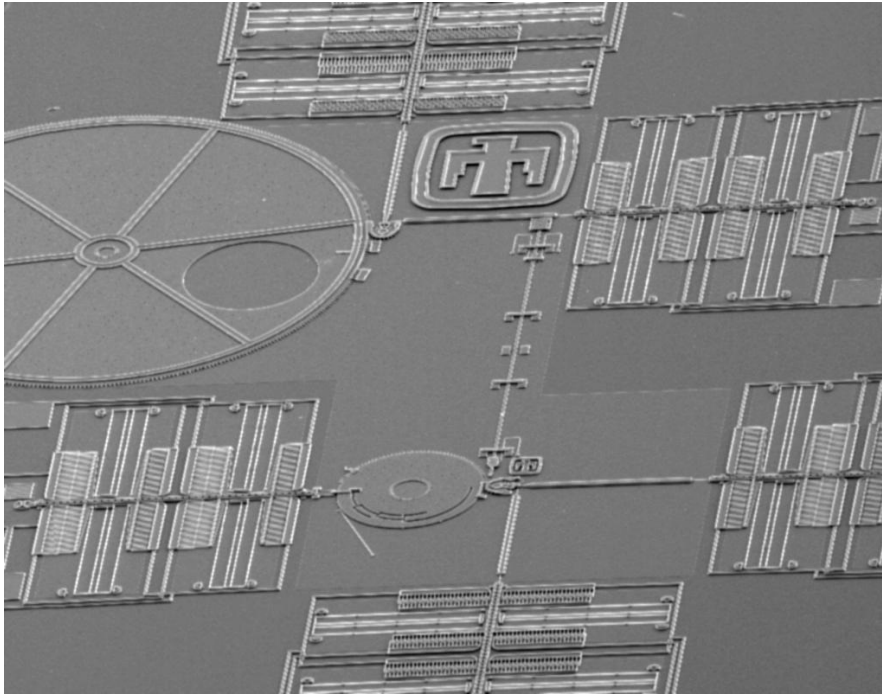




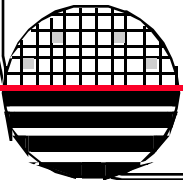
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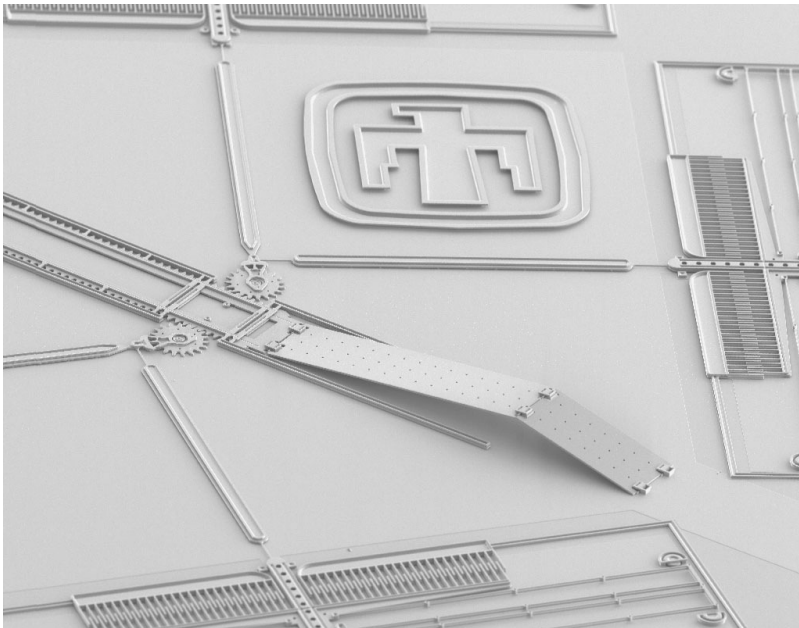
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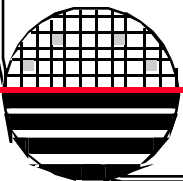
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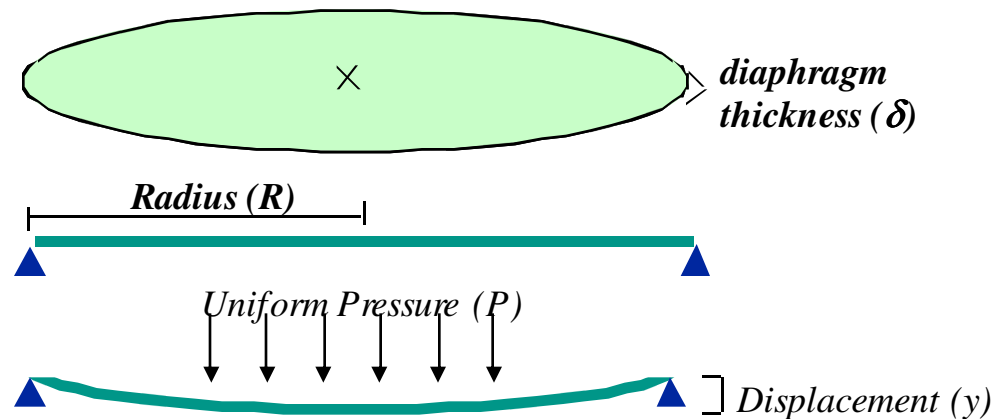


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**DIAPHRAGM****Diaphragm:  
Displacement**

Equation for deflection at center of diaphragm

$$y = \frac{3PR^4[(1/\nu)^2-1]}{16E(1/\nu)^2\delta^3} = \frac{(249.979)PR^4[(1/\nu)^2-1]}{E(1/\nu)^2\delta^3}$$

$E$  = Young's Modulus,  $\nu$  = Poisson's Ratio  
for Aluminum  $\nu = 0.35$

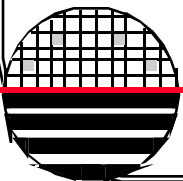
\*The second equation corrects all units assuming that pressure is mmHg, radius and diaphragm is  $\mu\text{m}$ , Young's Modulus is dynes/cm<sup>2</sup>, and the calculated displacement found is  $\mu\text{m}$ .

**MECHANICAL PROPERTIES**

	Density gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	Youngs Modulus 10 <sup>12</sup> dyne/cm <sup>2</sup>	Yield Strength 10 <sup>10</sup> dyne/cm <sup>2</sup>	Ultimate Strength 10 <sup>10</sup> dyne/cm <sup>2</sup>	Knoop Hardness Kgm/mm <sup>2</sup>	Poisson's Ratio
Single Crystal Silicon	2.33	1.9	12	15	850	0.28
Poly Silicon	2.33	1.5	12	18	850	0.28
Silicon Dioxide	2.19	0.73	8.4	16	570	0.3
Silicon Nitride	3.44	3.85	14	28	3486	0.3
Aluminum	2.7	0.68	17		150	0.334
Nickel	8.9	2.07	59	310	112	0.31
Chrome	7.19	2.54		83	170	0.3
Copper	8.96	1.20	33	209		0.308
Gold	19.3	0.78		103		0.44
Tungsten	19.3	4.1	4	98	350	0.28
Titanium	4.5	1.05	140	220	100	0.34
Tantalum	16.6	1.86		35	124	0.35

10 dyne/cm<sup>2</sup> = 1 newton/m<sup>2</sup>

Metals Handbook



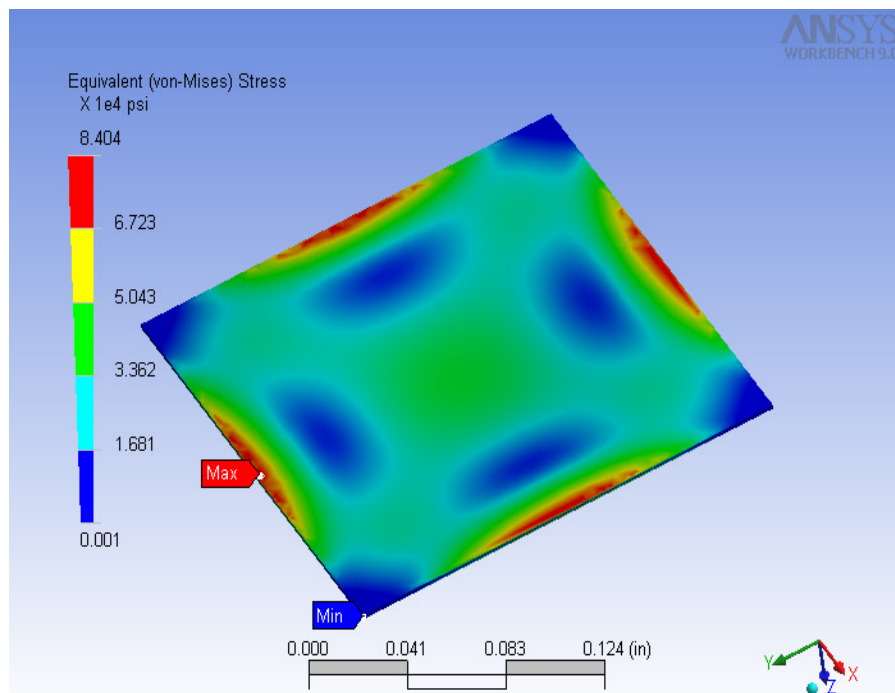
## CALCULATOR FOR DIAPHRAGM DEFLECTIONS

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<b>Deflection <math>Y_{max} = 0.0151 P L^4(1-\nu^2)/EH^3</math></b>				Y <sub>max</sub> = 0.17 μm			
P = Pressure				P = 15 lbs/in <sup>2</sup>			
L = Length of side of square diaphragm				L = 1000 μm			
E = Youngs Modulus				E = 1.90E+11 N/m <sup>2</sup>			
Nu = Poissons Ratio				Nu = 0.32			
H = Diaphragm Thickness				H = 35 μm			
				P = 1.03E+05 Pascal			
<b>Stress = <math>0.3 P (L/H)^2</math> (at center of each edge)</b>				Stress = 2.53E+07 Pascal			
P = Pressure				Yield Strength = 1.20E+10 Pascal			
L = Square Diaphragm Side Length							
H = Diaphragm Thickness							
<b>Capacitance = <math>\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r \text{Area}/d</math></b>				C = 7.97E-11 F			
ε <sub>0</sub> = Permittivity of free space = 8.85E-14 F/cm							
ε <sub>r</sub> = relative permittivity = 1 for air				Area = 9.00E-02 cm <sup>2</sup>			
Area = area of plates x number of plates				N = 1			
d = distance between plates				d = 1 μm			
				If round plates, Diameter = 0 μm			
				If square plates, Side = 3000 μm			

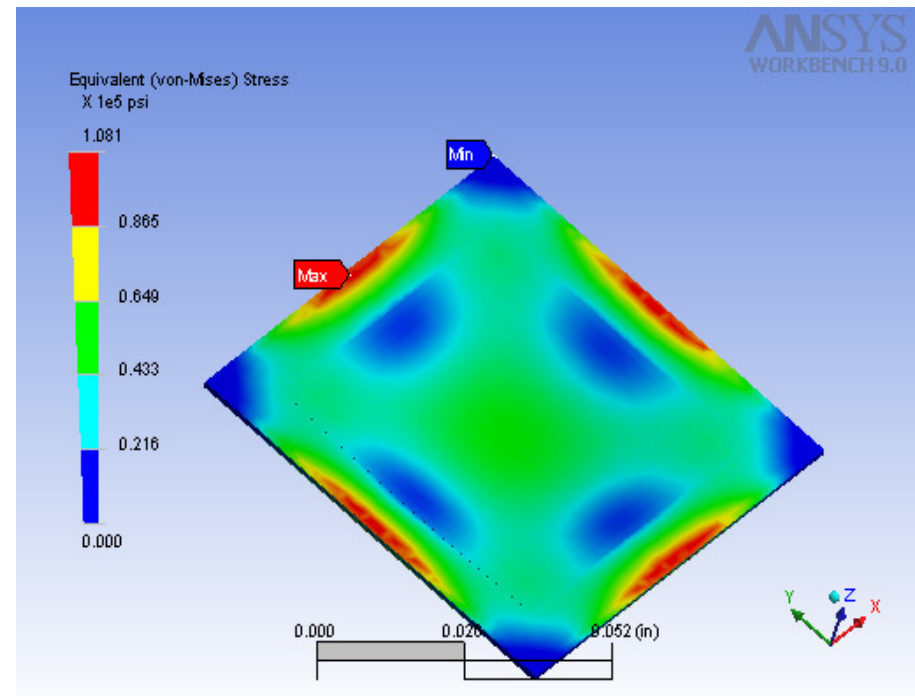
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ANSYS FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS

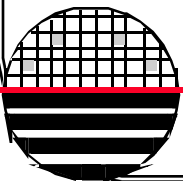
Regular Si Diaphragm



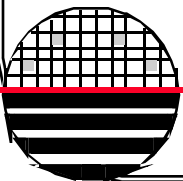
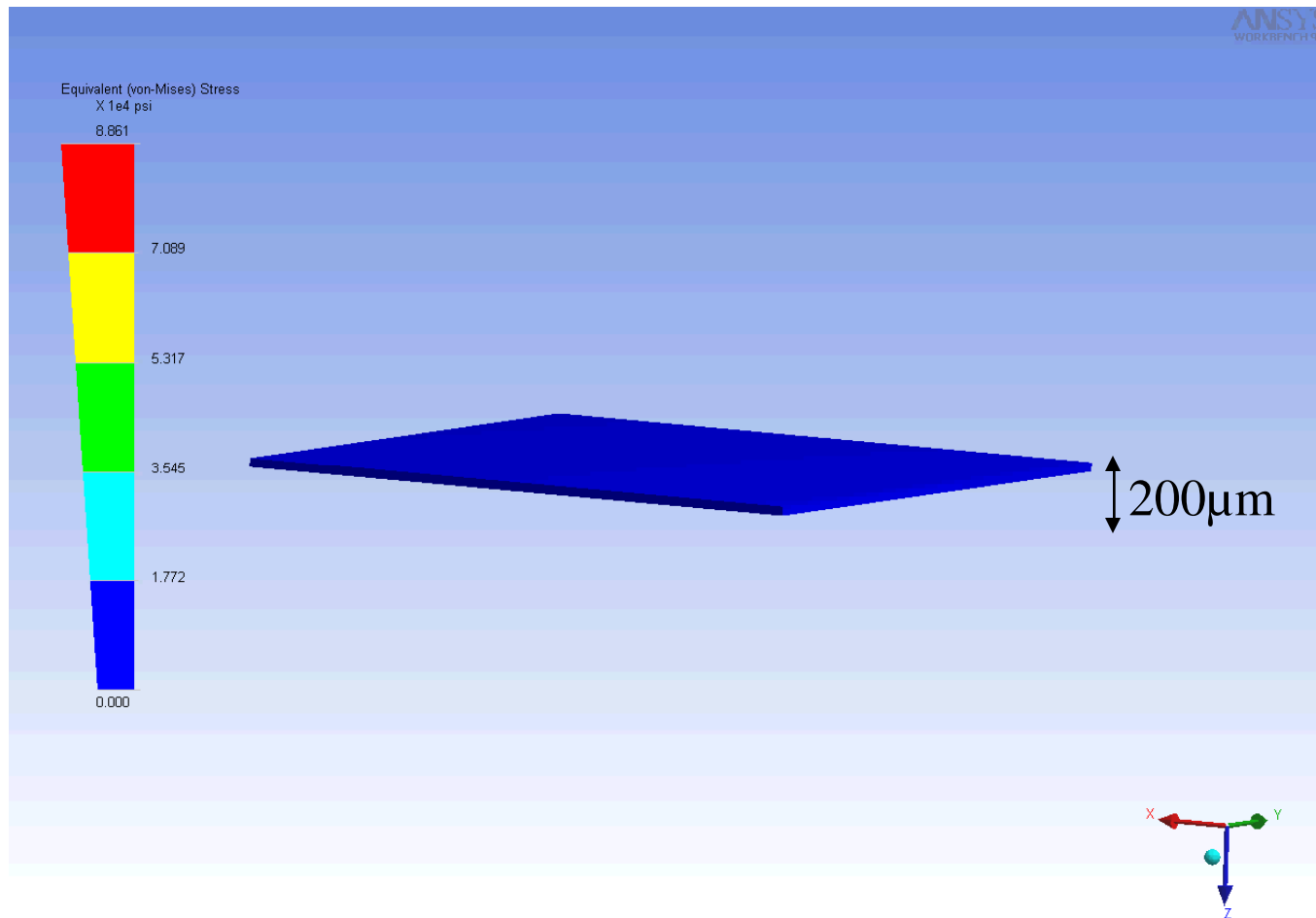
Corrugated Diaphragm  
Layer 2: 1.5mm x 1.5mm Polysilicon 1 μm thick



2mm x 2mm diaphragm 30 μm thick, 50 psi applied

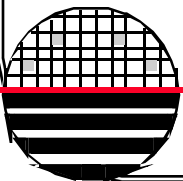
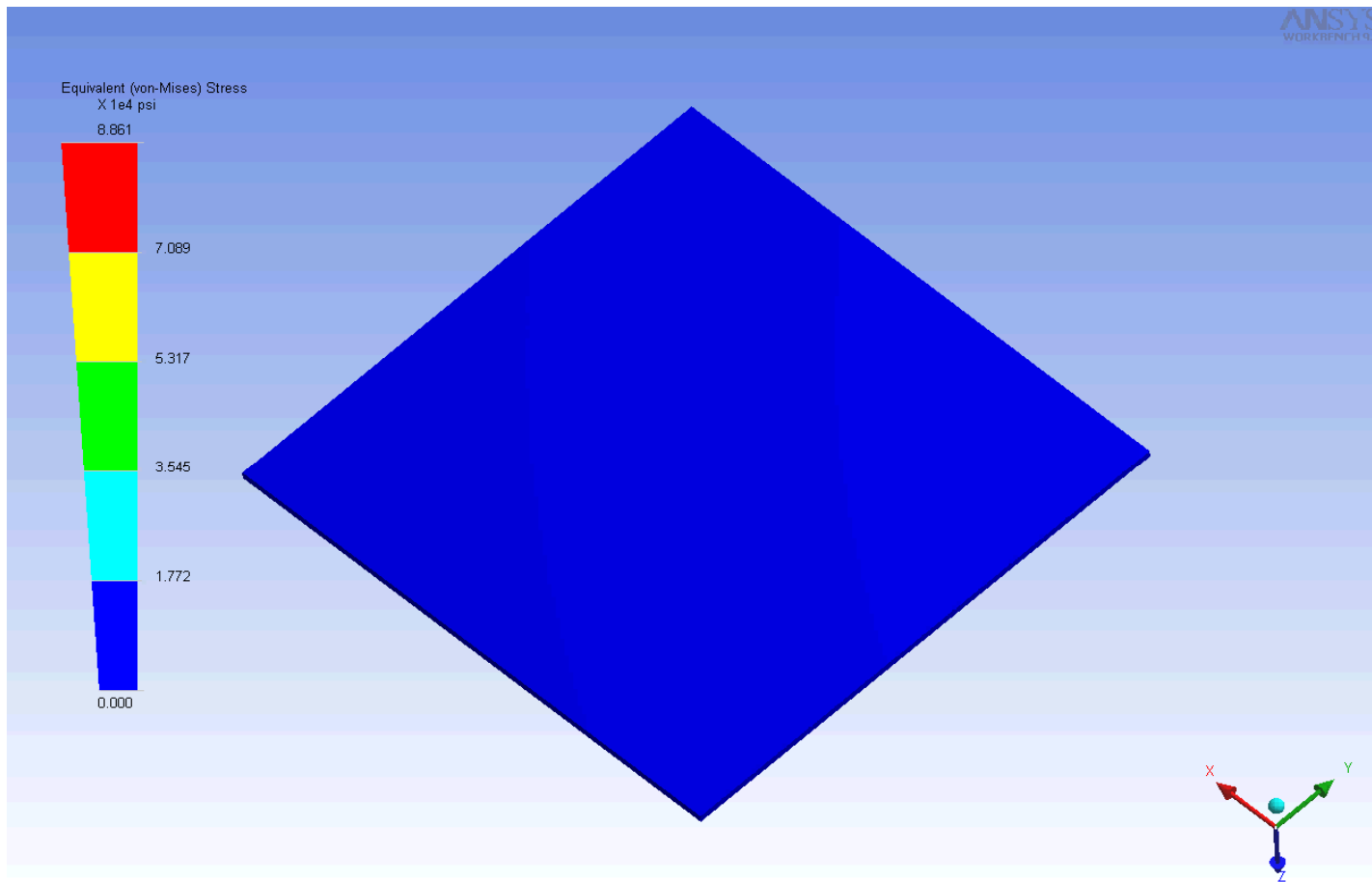


DIAPHRAGM DEFORMATION MOVIE



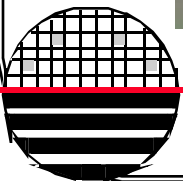
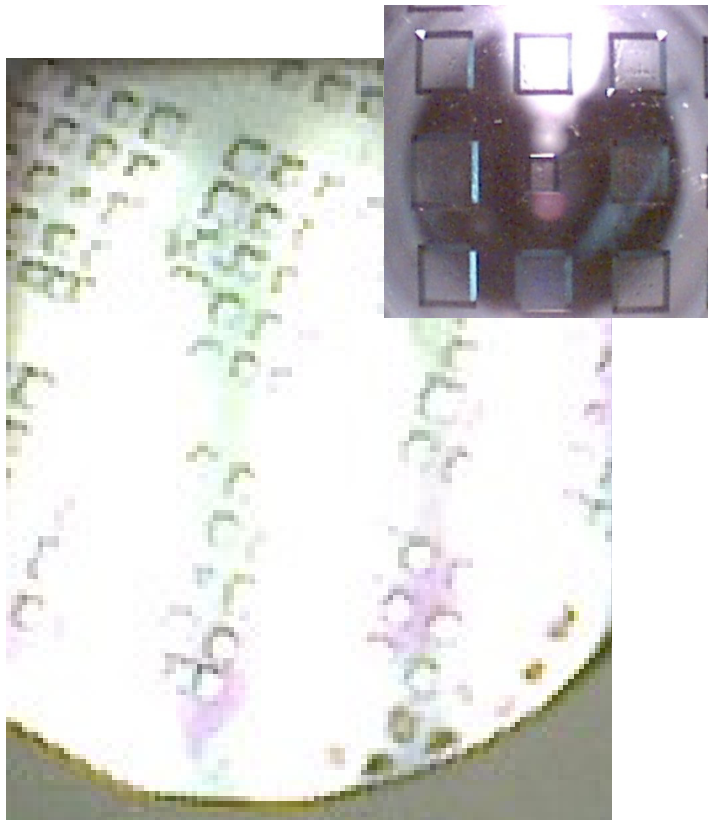


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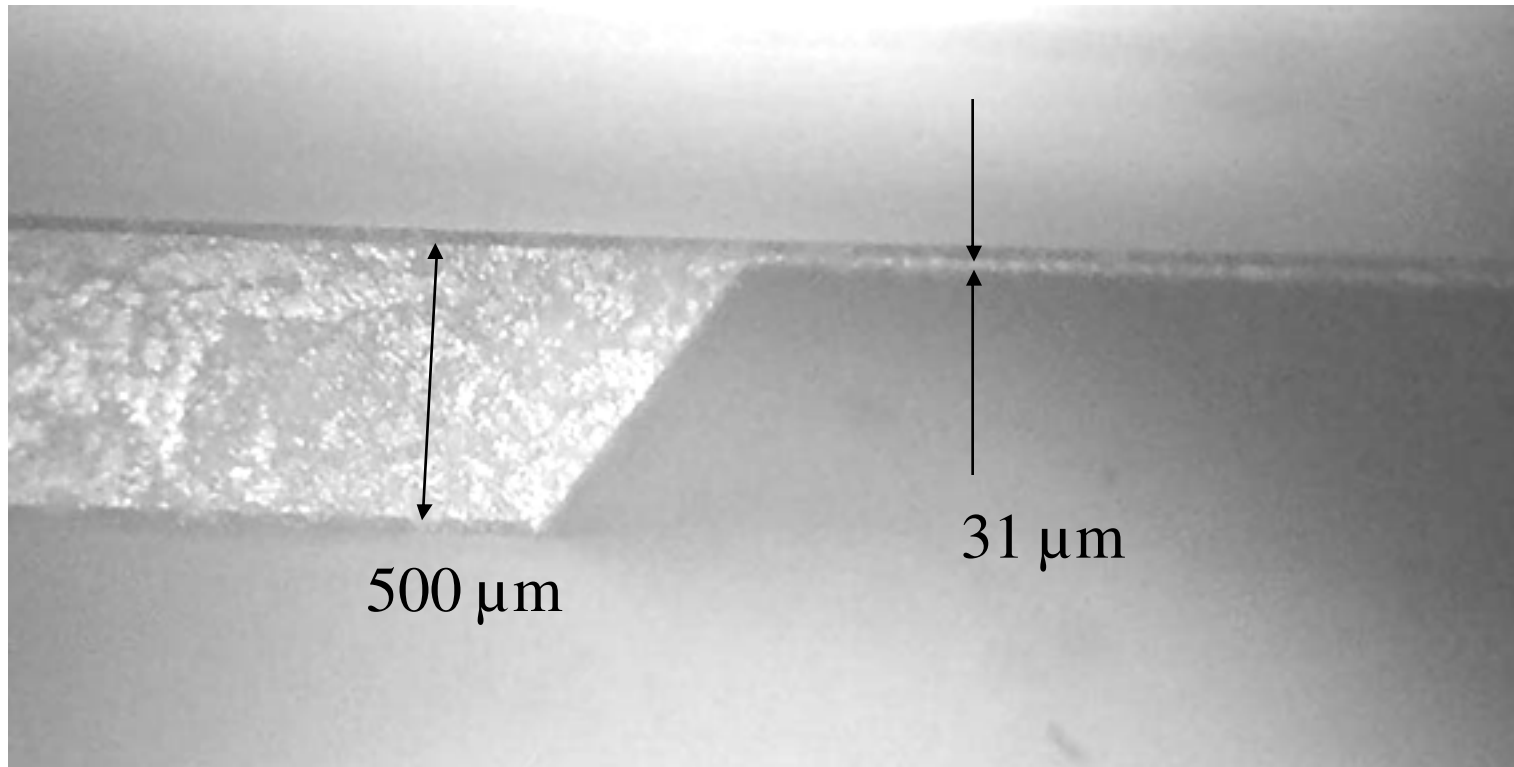


**PICTURES OF WAFER AFTER KOH ETCH**

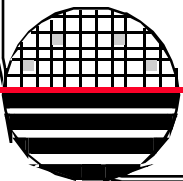
50  $\mu\text{m}$  in 57 min  $\sim .877 \mu\text{m}/\text{min}$



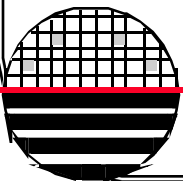
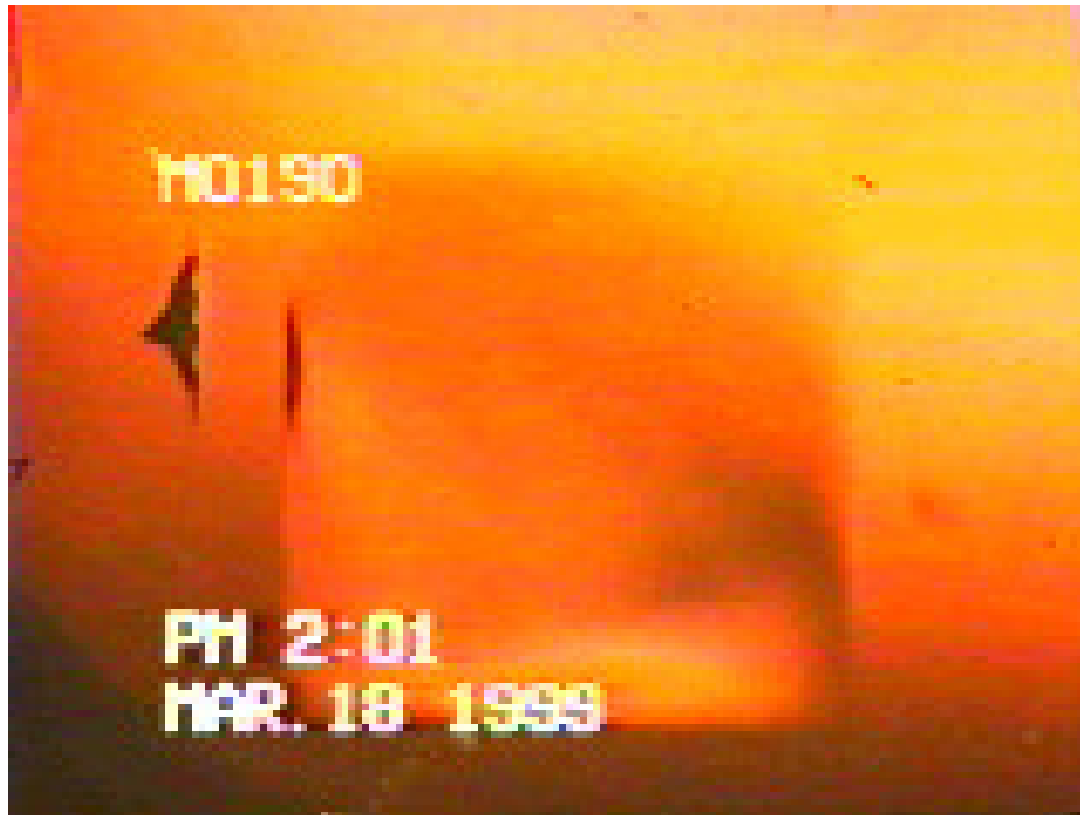
**HEIGHT MEASUREMENT USING OPTICAL MICROSCOPE**



20% KOH Etch, @ 72 C, 10 Hrs.



*SQUARE DIAPHRAGM MOVIE*



# MAGNETIC TORSIONAL MIRROR

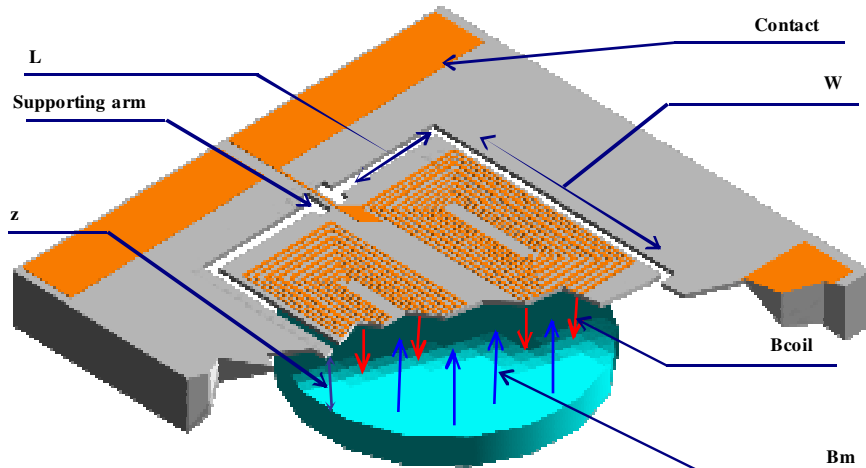


Figure 2: Cross sectional view labels with variables.

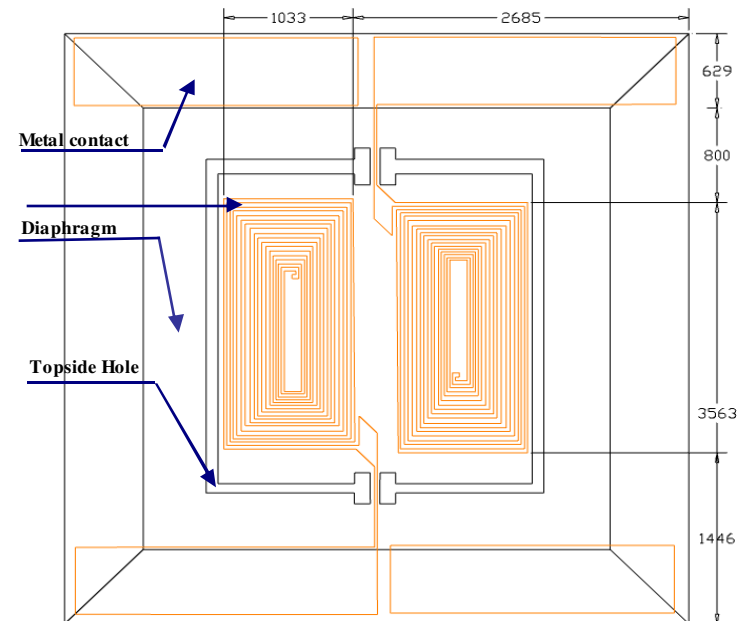
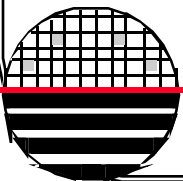


Figure 1: Top down CAD design of single axis Torsional Mirror

$$F = \frac{(m_m m_{coil})}{\mu_o z} = \frac{\mu_o \left( \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \right) (LW) B_m}{\mu_o z}$$



**MAGNETIC DEVICES**

Magnetic flux density of a permanent magnet  $B$  is given by the manufacturer in units of weber/sq.meter or Tesla. (some of the magnets we use in MEMS are 2mm in diameter and have  $B=0.5$  Tesla)

Magnetic flux density  $B$  in the center of a coil

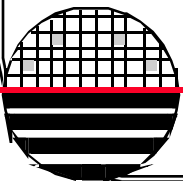
$$B_{coil} = N * B_{loop} \quad \text{where} \quad B_{loop} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \right)$$

The magnetic pole strength is  $m$  (webers) =  $B A$  where  $A$  is the pole area

$$\text{The force between two poles is Force} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{\mu_0 z}$$

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ w}^2/\text{Nm}^2$$

<http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/magnetic/magfie.html>



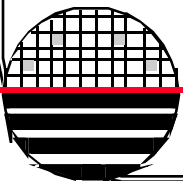
**MAGNETIC DEVICES**

Force on a straight conductor in a uniform magnetic field.

$$\mathbf{F} = I \mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{B}$$

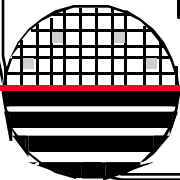
Force on a coil with current  $I$  in a uniform magnetic field

$$F = \frac{(m_m m_{coil})}{\mu_o z} = \frac{\mu_o \left( \frac{2\pi R^2 I}{(z^2 + R^2)^{3/2}} \right) (LW) B_m}{\mu_o z}$$



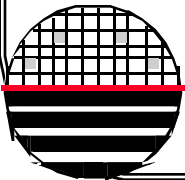
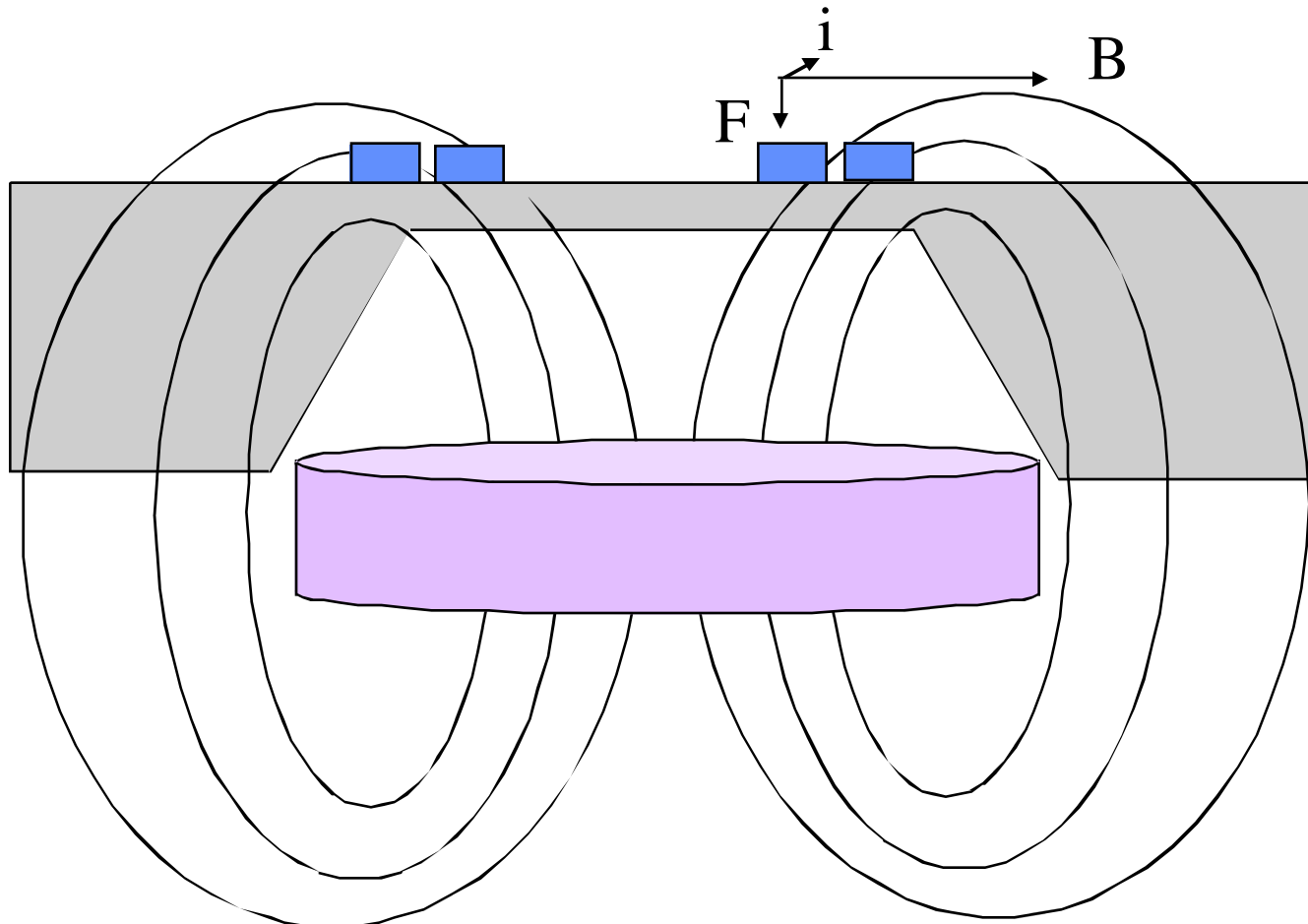
## CALCULATOR FOR DIAPHRAGM DEFLECTIONS

<b>Pressure Force = Pressure x Area</b>		Fpress =	1.03E-01	N		
<b>Electromagnetic Force = I L B</b>		Fmagnetic =	1.88E-03	N		
Assuming a constant field strength B from a permanent magnet then, Lorentz Force = I L B where I is the current in a coil of length L,		Rmax of Coil =	1000	µm		
		Rmin of Coil =	500	µm		
		Number of turns (N) =	40	turns		
L = ~ 2 pi Rave x N, Rave = (Rmax+Rmin)/2		Length of coil (L) =	1.88E-01	m		
		Current (I) =	0.02	amperes		
		Magnet Field Strength (B) =	0.5	Tesla		
<b>Electromagnetic Force =</b>						
		distance between magnet and coil, d =	300	µm		
		radius of coil, Rc =	750	µm		
		radius of magnet =	2000	µm		
		Fmagnetic =	3.70E+00	N		
$F = \frac{3d}{2(d^2 + Rc^2)^{3/2}} \left[ \frac{NI \mu_0 \pi Rc^2 (B_m A_m)}{\mu_0 \pi} \right]$ <p style="font-size: small;">Where d is distance between coil and magnet Rc is radius of coil N is number of turns I is current Bm is magnet field strength Am is magnet area</p>						
		Cheng eq. 6-196				
<b>Materials Mechanical Properties</b>					10 dynes/cm <sup>2</sup> = 1 N/m <sup>2</sup> = 1 Pascal	
	Yield Strength	Youngs Modulus	Nu			
	xE10 dynes/cm <sup>2</sup>	xE12 dynes/cm <sup>2</sup>		Select only one		
Si3N4	14	3.85	0.3	0		
SiO2	8.4	0.73	0.3	0		
Si	12	1.9	0.32	1		

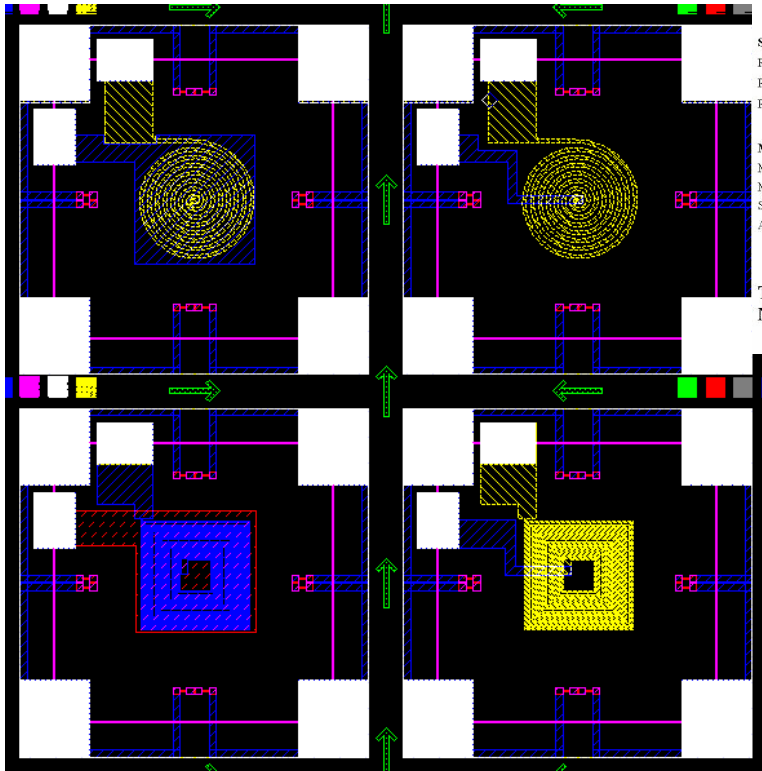




**MAGNETIC FIELD**



## MEMS THERMAL ACTUATOR AND POSITION SENSOR

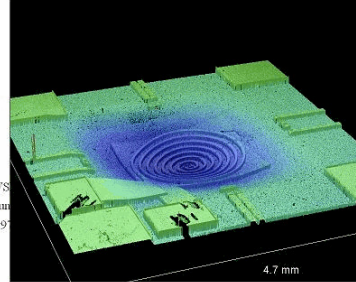


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**Veeco** 3-Dimensional Interactive Display

**Surface Stats:**  
Ra: 4.67e+000 um  
Rq: 5.97e+000 um  
Rt: 5.17e+001 um

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Measurement Mode: VS  
Sampling: 3.95e+000 um  
Array Size: 1207 X 119

**Title:**  
**Note:**



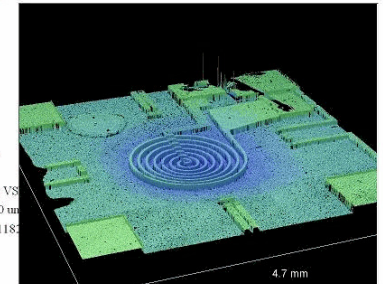
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x: 2.29e+000 um  
y: 3.12e+000 um  
z: 4.82e+001 um

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**Title:**  
**Note:**



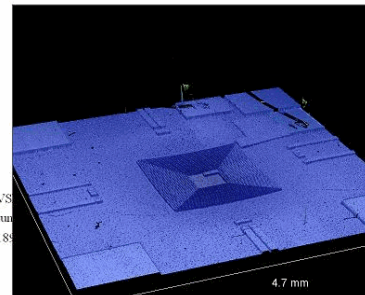
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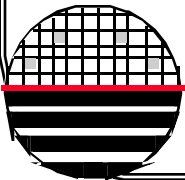
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Rq: 4.20e+000 um  
Rt: 1.02e+002 um

**Measurement Info:**  
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Measurement Mode: VS  
Sampling: 3.95e+000 um  
Array Size: 1170 X 118

**Title:**  
**Note:**



Date: 12/11/200  
Time: 10:37:50



## VERTICAL DISPLACEMENT

<i>I</i> heat (mA)	<i>V</i> out (mV)	Z-deflection (μm) veeco
0	11.8	-4
20	11.3	-2.75
30	10.6	-1.6
40	8.7	-0.65
50	6.2	0.35
60	1.3	2.65
66	-17.4	17.5
70	-21.7	22.2

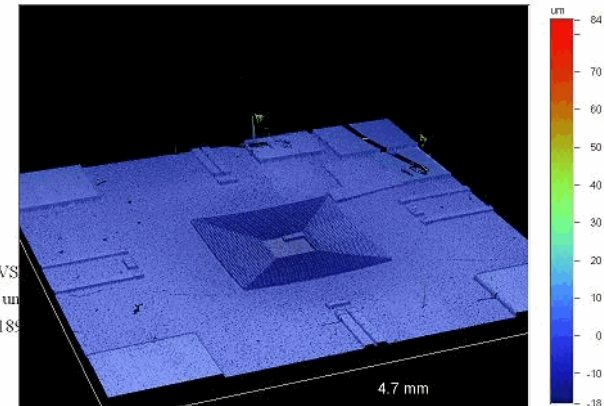
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3-Dimensional Interactive Display

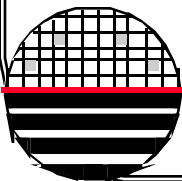
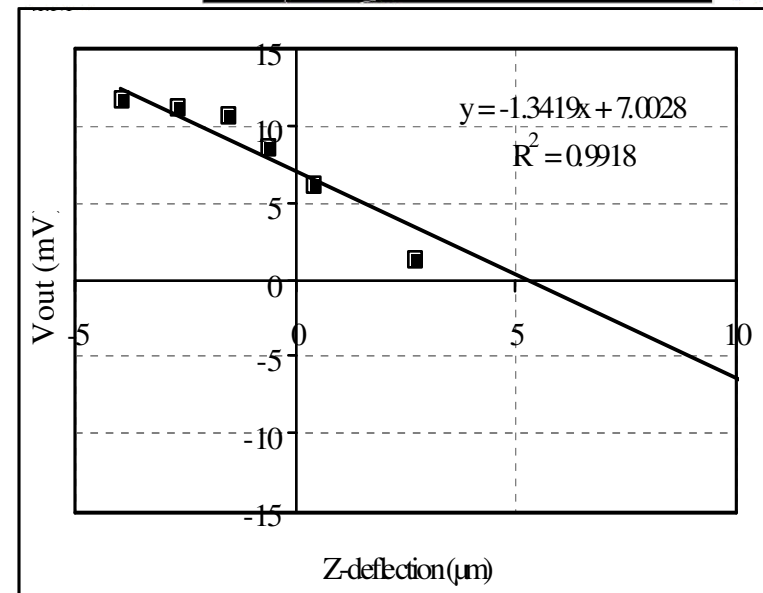
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**Surface Stats:**  
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 Rq: 4.20e+000 μm  
 Rt: 1.02e+002 μm

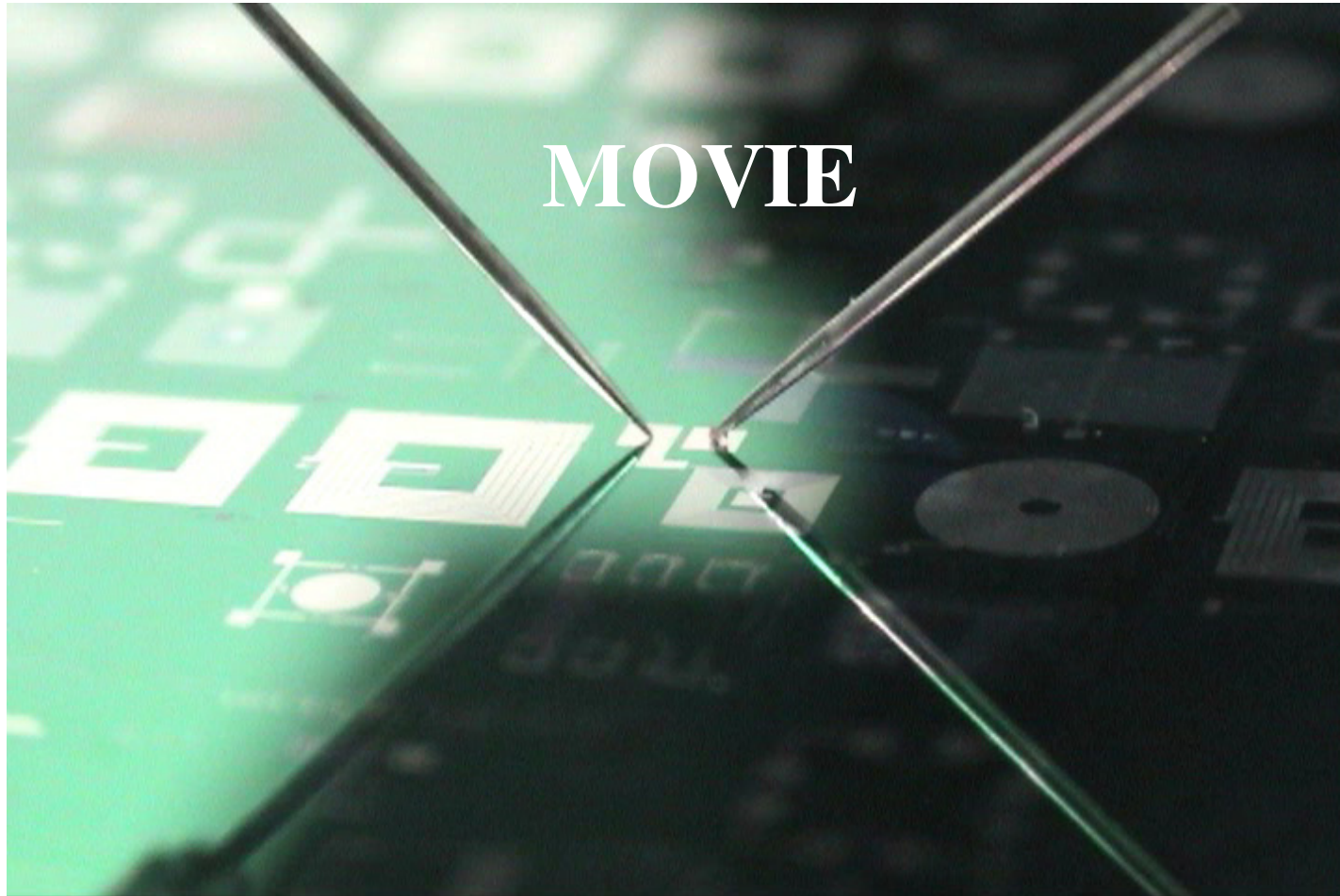
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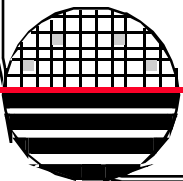
Veeco NT1100  
 Increase heater current  
 Measure z-displacement and *V*out



***MOVIE OF THERMAL DIAPHRAGM ACTUATION***

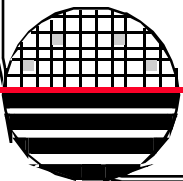


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***HOMEWORK - ACTUATORS***

1. What makes the shuffle motors shown in this lecture move?
2. Go to [www.sandia.gov](http://www.sandia.gov) and explore their Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies activity. Write a sentence about what you find.
3. Visit [www-mtl.mit.edu/semisubway](http://www-mtl.mit.edu/semisubway) and visit “Laboratories”, MEMS Clearing House, and MEMS Exchange. Write a sentence about what you find.

