

1 (a)

$$k \text{ (spring constant)} = 8EH \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)^3$$

$$k = 8 \times 160 \times 10^9 \times 6 \times 10^{-6} \times \left(\frac{1.5}{150} \right)^3$$

$$k = 7.68 \text{ N/m}$$

$$m = \rho V = 2330 \times 10^{-18} \times (6 \times 35 \times 60)$$

$$m = 2.936 \times 10^{-11} \text{ kg}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{7.68}{2.94 \times 10^{-11}}} = 81.4 \text{ kHz}$$

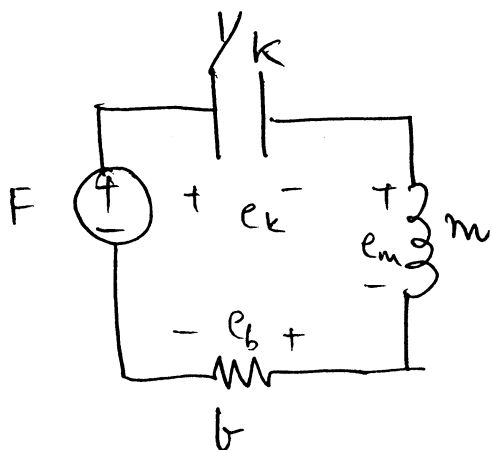
Damping modeled by Couette flow.

$$b = \frac{\eta A}{h} = \mu \left[\left(\frac{A}{y_0} \right)_{\text{fingers}} + \left(\frac{A}{y_0} \right)_{\text{substrate}} \right]$$

$$= 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 1 \times \left[\frac{35 \times 60}{3} + \frac{10 \times 10 \times 6}{1} \right] \times 10^{-6}$$

$$= 2.34 \times 10^{-8} \text{ kg/s}$$

(b)



$$F - e_k - e_m - e_b = 0$$

$$\frac{x(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{s^2 m + b s + k}$$

$$\frac{\dot{x}(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{s m + b + k/s}$$

values of m, k, b from Question 1(a)

(c) static deflection $F/k = \frac{\frac{1}{2} N \epsilon_0 V^2 t/g}{k}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 10 \times 1 \times 1 \times 6/1 \times \frac{1}{7.68}$$

$$= 3.46 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}$$

Dynamic deflection $Q = \sqrt{\frac{km}{b}}$

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{7.68 \times 2.94 \times 10^{-11}}}{2.34 \times 10^{-8}} \approx 641.7$$

$$x_{\text{dynamic}} \approx \frac{\epsilon_0 V_{\text{AC}} \cdot V_{\text{DC}} N t/g}{k} \cdot Q$$

$$\approx 11.1 \text{ nm}$$

Q2 (a) Piezoresistors are located at positions of maximum induced stress (in response to measurand) in the membrane.

$w(x, y)$ — membrane deflection as a function of (x, y) coordinates.

$$w(x, y) = \frac{c_1}{4} \left[1 + \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) \right] \left[1 + \cos\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L}\right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial y^3} = 0$$

$$\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sin\left(\frac{2\pi y}{L}\right) = 0$$

$$x = \pm L/2 \quad \text{and} \quad y = \pm L/2$$

Piezoresistors are located longitudinally along x -axis at $(\pm L/2, 0)$ or transversely along y -axis at $(0, \pm L/2)$.

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argue by symmetry.

(b) Place resistors at $(\pm L/2, 0)$ longitudinally.

$$\sigma_x = \frac{EH}{2P_x} = \frac{EH}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) \Big|_{x=L/2}$$

$$= \frac{EH}{2} \cdot \frac{c_1}{4} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^2 \times 1 \times 2$$

$$c_1 = \frac{6P(1-\nu^2)L^4}{\pi^4 EH^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_x = \left(\frac{L}{H}\right)^2 P \times 0.606$$

$$\approx 0.606 \left(\frac{1000}{10}\right)^2 \times 10^3 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\approx 6.06 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} \text{ for 1 piezoresistor} = \pi_{xx} \sigma_x$$

$$\approx -31.2 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.06 \times 10^6$$

$$\approx -1.9 \times 10^{-3}$$

(c) $\frac{\Delta R}{R}$ for 1 piezoresistor due to temperature drift

$$\approx \alpha \Delta T$$

$$\approx 2 \times 10^{-5} \times 100 \approx 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

\therefore uncertainty in pressure reading

$$\approx \frac{2}{1.9} \times 10^3 \text{ Pa} \approx \pm 1.05 \text{ kPa}$$

(d) Capacitive sensing - low noise, less prone to temperature drift, harder to implement in a bulk micromachining process as compared to piezoresistive sensing.

$$\text{Q3. (a)} \quad k = 4\epsilon H \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)^2$$

$$m = 4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ kg}$$

$$\left(2\pi \times 5 \times 10^3\right)^2 = \frac{k}{m} = \frac{4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{11} \times 10^{-5} \times \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)^3}{4 \times 10^{-9}}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)^3 = 6.17 \times 10^{-7} \Rightarrow L = 235 \mu\text{m}$$

$$(b) \quad x_{1g} = \frac{4 \times 10^{-9} \times 9.81}{3.95} \approx 9.94 \text{ nm}$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{g - x}$$

$$\Delta C = \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{g} \cdot \left(\frac{x}{g}\right) \quad \text{for } x \ll g$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{a} \approx \frac{8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 100 \times 10 \times 10^{-6} \times 8 \times 9.94 \times 10^{-3} \times 1}{1 \quad 1 \quad 9.8}$$

$$\approx 0.0717 \text{ fF/m/s}^2$$

$$(c) \quad k_{el} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{-\epsilon_0 N t L V^2}{g^3}$$

$$\approx \frac{-8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 8 \times 10 \times 100 \times 5^{-2}}{10^{-6}}$$

$$\approx -1.78 \text{ N/m}$$

$$k_{\text{new}} = 3.95 - 1.78 \approx 2.17 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\Delta C}{a} \Big|_{\text{new}} = \frac{3.95}{2.17} \times 0.0717 = 0.131 \text{ fF/m/s}^2$$

(d)(i)

$$b = \frac{96 N_{\text{fingers}} \eta L W^3}{\pi^4 H^3}$$

$$= \frac{96 \times 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 8 \times 100 \times 10^{-6} \left(\frac{10^3}{1}\right)^3}{\pi^4}$$

$$= 1.419 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg/s}$$

(ii) $\bar{F}_n = \sqrt{4 k_B T b}$

$$= \sqrt{1.66 \times 10^{-20} \times 1.42 \times 10^5}$$

$$\approx 0.485 \text{ pN}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

$$\bar{a}_n \approx \frac{0.485 \times 10^{-12}}{4 \times 10^{-9}} \text{ m/s}^2/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

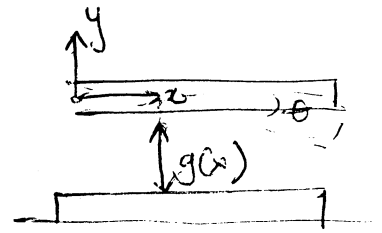
$$\approx 12.36 \text{ } \mu\text{g}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

4(a)

WIDTH OF PLATE
 $b = \frac{A}{L}$

$$\tau = k_{\theta} \theta = \int_0^L x dF$$

$$= \int_0^L \frac{x \epsilon_0 b V^2}{2 g(x)^2} dx$$



$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 b V^2}{2} \int_0^L \frac{x dx}{(g - x\theta)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_0 b V^2}{2\theta^2} \left[\ln(g - L\theta) - \ln(g) + \frac{g}{g - L\theta} - 1 \right]$$

$$\tau = k_{\theta} \theta = \frac{\epsilon_0 b V^2}{2\theta^2} \left[\ln\left(\frac{g - L\theta}{g}\right) + \frac{L\theta}{g - L\theta} \right] \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{2k_{\theta} g^3}{bL^3 \epsilon_0} \frac{\left(\frac{L\theta}{g}\right)^3}{\ln\left[1 - \frac{L\theta}{g}\right] + \frac{\frac{L\theta}{g}}{1 - \frac{L\theta}{g}}} } \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(b) Pull-in instability $\frac{d\tau}{d\theta} = 0$ or $\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0$

$\tau = \tau - k_{\theta} \theta$ given by (1).
 V is maximum

substituting $x = L\theta/g$ in (2).

$$V^2 = \frac{2k_{\theta} g^3}{bL^3 \epsilon_0} \frac{x^3}{\ln(1-x) + \frac{x}{1-x}} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = 0$$

Differentiating (3)

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{x^3}{\ln(1-x) + \frac{x}{1-x}} \right] \left[\frac{2k_0 g^3}{6 b L^3 \epsilon} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{(1-x)^2} = 3 \left[\ln(1-x) + \frac{x}{1-x} \right]$$

$$x^2 = 3 \left[(1-x)^2 \ln(1-x) + x(1-x) \right]$$

substituting $x = 0.44$ we confirm this is a solution
and $\therefore \theta_{PI} \approx 0.44 g/L$

(c) substituting θ_{PI} in the relation for V we get :-

$$V_{PI} = 0.645 \sqrt{\frac{2k_0 g^3}{6 b L^3}}$$

The actual pull-in voltage as measured is likely to be a little lower as the beam translates as well as rotates.