

(a) (i)

$$k = \frac{\pi^4}{6} E H \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)^3$$

$$= \frac{\pi^4}{6} \times 160 \times 10^9 \times 3 \times 10^{-6} \times \left(\frac{1.5}{150}\right)^3$$

$$= 7.80 \text{ N/m}$$

(ii)

$$b = \frac{96 \times 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times 50 \times 10^{-6}}{\pi^4} \times \left(\frac{3}{1}\right)^3$$

$$= 2.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ kg/s}$$

(b)

PE_{max} = KE_{max} / Origin at center of b

$$\frac{E}{2} \int_{-H/2}^{+H/2} \int_{-W/2}^{+W/2} \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} \left(y \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}\right)^2 dx dy dz = \frac{\omega^2}{2} \left[WH \int_0^L \rho^2(x) dx \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \text{Inertial } \omega^2 \int_0^L$$

$$\frac{E}{2} \cdot H W \left[\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{W}{2}\right)^3 \right] \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^4 \frac{c^2}{4} \int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{\omega^2}{2} \rho WH \left[\int_{-L/2}^{+L/2} \rho(x) dx \right]$$

+ Inertial

$$\text{Inertial} = \frac{1}{3} L$$

$$\frac{E}{2} H \cdot \frac{W^3}{12} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^4 \frac{c^2}{4} \cdot \frac{L}{2} = \frac{\omega^2}{2} \rho WH c^2 \left(\frac{3L}{2} + \frac{L}{3}\right)$$

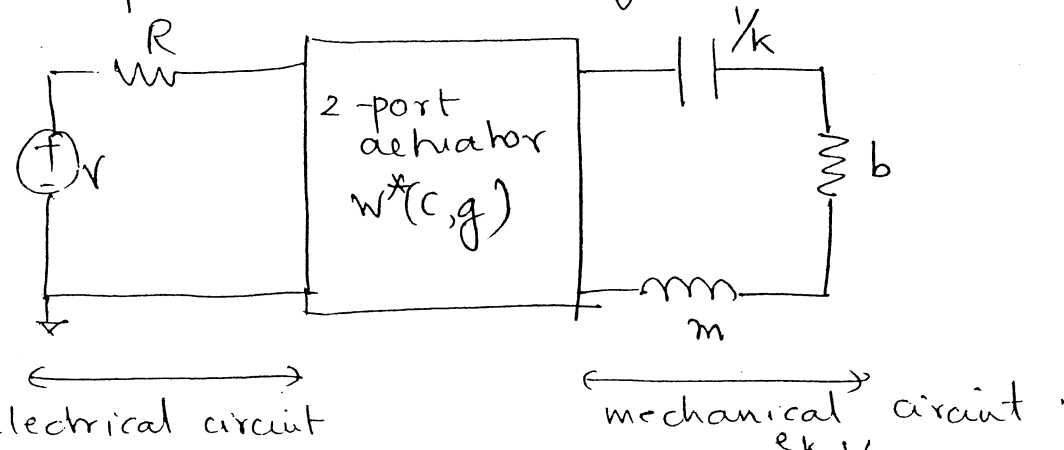
$$\therefore \omega^2 = \frac{E W^2 \pi^4}{\rho 11 L^4} ; \text{ gives the resonant frequency}$$

(c) Lumped mass, $m = k/\omega^2$

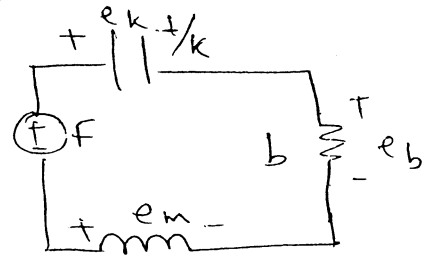
$$m = \frac{\pi^4 E H \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)^3}{\frac{\pi^4 \cdot E}{11} \frac{W^2}{L^4}} = \frac{11}{6} \rho (LWH)$$

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A lumped element equivalent model is



The mechanical circuit



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

$$F - kx - b\dot{x} - m\ddot{x} = 0$$

$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{1}{k + bs + ms^2}$$

where $k = 7.8 \text{ N/m}$
 $m = 2.88 \times 10^{-12} \text{ kg}$
 $b = 2.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ kg/s}$

(e) small signal AC

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{km}}{b} = \frac{\sqrt{7.8 \times 2.9 \times 10^{-12}}}{2.4 \times 10^{-8}} = 198$$

$$V_{ac} = 50 \text{ mV}, V_{DC} = 5 \text{ V}$$

$$F = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon_0 A}{g} \cdot (2V_{ac} \cdot V_{DC})$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 50 \times 3}{1 \times 1} \times 2 \times 50 \times 5 \times 10^{-3}$$

x_{ac} = displacement at resonance

$$\approx \frac{F}{k} \cdot Q \quad ; \quad k = 7.8 \text{ N/m}, Q = 198$$

$$\approx 8.4 \text{ nm}$$

∴ our assumption on small displacement is valid.

(a)

C = capacitance between membrane and the subelectrode attached to substrate

$$= \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \frac{\epsilon_0}{(g - w(x,y))} dx dy$$

where

$$x_0 = 10 \mu\text{m}$$

$$y_0 = 10 \mu\text{m}$$

$$L = 1000$$

$$C = \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \frac{\epsilon_0}{\left(g - \frac{c_1}{4} \left(1 + \cos \frac{2\pi x}{L}\right) \left(1 + \cos \frac{2\pi y}{L}\right)\right)} dx dy$$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0}{g} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{c_1}{4g} \left(1 + 1 - \left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right)^2\right) \left(1 + 1 - \left(\frac{2\pi y}{L}\right)^2\right)\right)} dx dy$$

using Taylor expansion for cost noting $x_0 \ll L, y_0 \ll L$

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0}{g} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \int_{-y_0-x_0}^{y_0+x_0} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{c_1}{g} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)^2\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi y}{L}\right)^2\right)\right)} dx dy$$

In the limit $x_0 \ll L, y_0 \ll L$ this expression can be simplified to \rightarrow ($x_0 = 10, y_0 = 10, L = 1000$)

$$C = \frac{\epsilon_0 4 x_0 y_0}{g} \left(\frac{c_1}{g}\right) + \frac{\epsilon_0 4 x_0 y_0}{g}$$

$$C = \frac{4 \epsilon_0 x_0 y_0}{g} \cdot \frac{6 P (1 - \nu^2) L^4}{\pi^4 E H^3 \cdot g} + \frac{\epsilon_0 4 x_0 y_0}{g}$$

(b) scale factor of the device

$$\frac{\Delta C}{\Delta P} = \frac{d(C - C_0)}{dP} = \frac{24 \epsilon_0 x_0 y_0 (1 - \nu^2) L^4}{\pi^4 g^2 E H^3}$$

(3)

For an applied pressure load of 500 Pa

$$\frac{\Delta C}{P} = \text{scale factor}$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{P} = \frac{24 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \times 10 \times 10 \times 10^{-12} (1 - 0.27^2) \times \left(\frac{1000}{5}\right)^3 \times 100}{160 \times 10^9 \times \pi^4 \times 5 \times 10^{-6} \times 5}$$

$$\frac{\Delta C}{P} = 4.04 \times 10^{-19} \quad \text{F/Pa}$$

(c) Damping constant, b

$$b = \frac{96 \eta L^4}{\pi^4 g^3}$$

$$= \frac{96 \times 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \times \left(\frac{1000}{5}\right)^3 \times 1000 \times 10^{-6}}{\pi^4}$$

$$= 0.14 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$(a) \frac{d^2 u_x}{dz^2} = \frac{\sigma_w \epsilon_x}{\eta L_D} e^{-z/L_D}, \quad z=0 \text{ at the interface}$$

$$u = U_0 (1 - e^{-z/L_D}) \text{ noting that}$$

$$u(0) = 0 \quad (\text{no-slip condition}),$$

$$\frac{du}{dz} = \frac{U_0}{L_D} e^{-z/L_D} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2 u}{dz^2} = -\frac{U_0}{L_D^2} e^{-z/L_D}.$$

$$\text{or } U_0 = \frac{-\sigma_w \epsilon_x L_D}{\eta}$$

$$(b) \quad \sigma_w = \frac{Q_w \epsilon}{L_D} = \frac{80 \times 10^{-3} \times 80 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-12}}{0.5 \times 10^{-9}}$$

$$\sigma_w = 0.11 \text{ C/m}^2$$

$$(c) \quad U_0 = \frac{0.11 \times 500 \times 10^{-2} \times 0.5 \times 10^{-9}}{1.5 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.83 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s}$$

$Q =$ volumetric flow rate

$$= A U_0$$

$$= 30 \times 50 \times 10^{-12} \times 1.83 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$= 2.74 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$t_1 =$ time taken to traverse 1cm

$$= \frac{1 \text{ cm}}{1.83 \times 10^{-3}} = 5.46 \text{ secs.}$$

(d) drift velocity due to electrophoresis

$$= \mu_{ep} \cdot E_x$$

$t_2 =$ time for 2 biomolecules to separate by 10 μm .

$$t_2 = \frac{10^{-5} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-3}}{2 \times 10^5 \times 4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{19} \times 500 \times 100}$$

$$t_2 = 2.34 \text{ secs.}$$

distance travelled by the bulk solution

$$= t_2 \cdot u_0$$

$$= 2.34 \times 1.83 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 4.29 \text{ mm.}$$

(e) width of the band after separation by open

$$\approx \sqrt{D \cdot t_2}$$

$$\approx \sqrt{10 \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s} \cdot 2.34 \text{ secs}}$$

$$= 4.8 \mu\text{m.}$$

(close to the separation i.e. bands just beginning to separate).

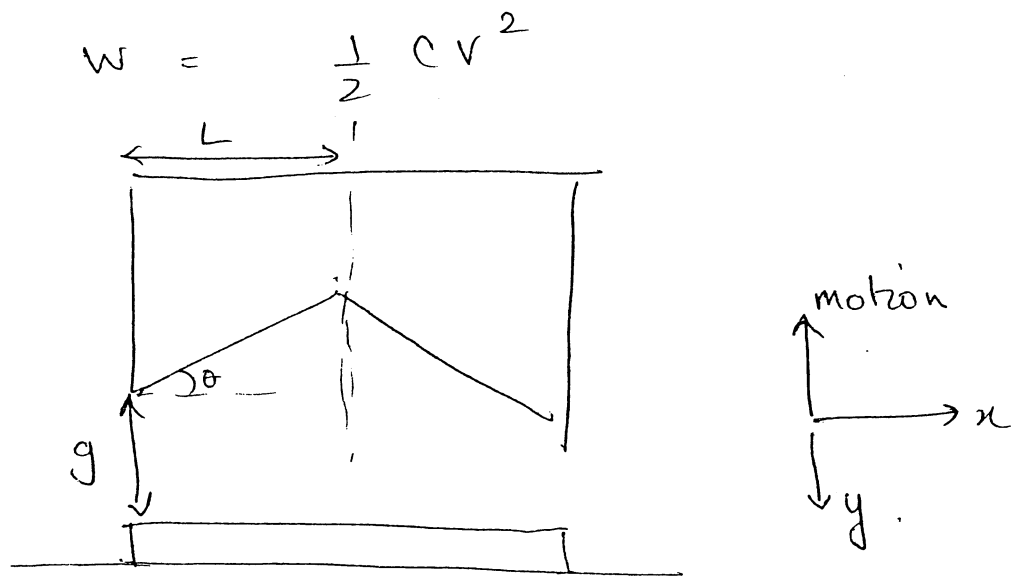
$$\text{Band size} = \sqrt{D \cdot t}$$

$$= \sqrt{D \cdot L / u_0}$$

$$= \sqrt{D \cdot L \eta / (\sigma_w \cdot E \cdot L_D)}$$

\therefore to obtain the sharpest bands use short columns, large electric fields and relatively low ionic strength buffers to achieve large Debye length.

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(a)



First calculate the capacitance of element size dx along the length

$$dC = \frac{\epsilon_0 w dx}{(g + x \tan \theta - y)}$$

$$C = 2 \int_0^L \frac{\epsilon_0 w dx}{(g + x \tan \theta - y)} = 2 \epsilon_0 w \int_0^L \frac{dx}{(g - y + x \tan \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \epsilon_0 w}{(g - y)} \int_0^L \frac{dx}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{\tan \theta}{g - y}\right) x\right]}$$

$$= \frac{2 \epsilon_0 w}{(g - y)} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{L \tan \theta}{g - y}\right)}{\frac{\tan \theta}{(g - y)}}$$

$$C = \frac{2 \epsilon_0 w}{\tan \theta} \ln \left(1 + \frac{L \tan \theta}{g - y}\right)$$

$$F = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{\epsilon_0 w V^2}{\tan \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \ln \left(1 + \frac{L \tan \theta}{g - y}\right)$$

$$F = - \frac{\epsilon_0 w V^2}{\tan \theta} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{L \tan \theta}{g - y}\right)} \cdot \frac{(L \tan \theta)}{(g - y)^2}$$

$$F = - \frac{\epsilon_0 w V^2 L}{(g - y)(g - y + L \tan \theta)}$$

(7)

Static displacement = τ/k

(b) The pull-in instability $-\partial F/\partial y = k$ and $F_{\text{net}} = 0$

$$\text{or } \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega L V^2}{(g-y)(g-y+L \tan \theta)} \left[\frac{1}{(g-y)} + \frac{1}{(g-y+L \tan \theta)} \right] = k \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{and } F_{\text{net}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[-1 + \frac{y}{(g-y)} + \frac{y}{(g-y+L \tan \theta)} \right] = 0$$

$$-(g-y+L \tan \theta)(g-y) + y(g-y) + y(g-y+L \tan \theta) = 0$$

$$3y^2 + y(-4g - 2L \tan \theta) + (g^2 - gL \tan \theta) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{4g + 2L \tan \theta \pm \sqrt{(4g + 2L \tan \theta)^2 - 4(g^2 - gL \tan \theta)(3)}}{6}$$

$$y = \frac{2g + L \tan \theta \pm \sqrt{g^2 + L^2 \tan^2 \theta + 7gL \tan \theta}}{3}$$

Choose the negative root as makes physical sense i.e. $y < g$ is required.

In the limit $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $y \rightarrow \frac{2g}{3} - g$ or $y \rightarrow g/3$

which is the same as that for the parallel plate case

(c) The geometry shown minimizes contact area between the plates. Hence less susceptible to stiction, a common failure mechanism in these devices.