

Multi-physics modeling of Micro-Electro-Mechanical-Systems using EMS for SOLIDWORKS

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Agenda

- Overview about MEMS applications
- Challenges versus solutions
- Examples
- Conclusion



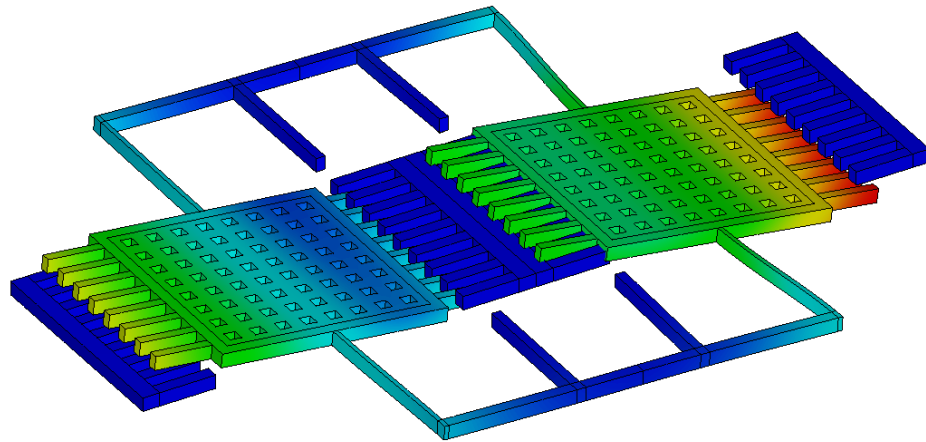
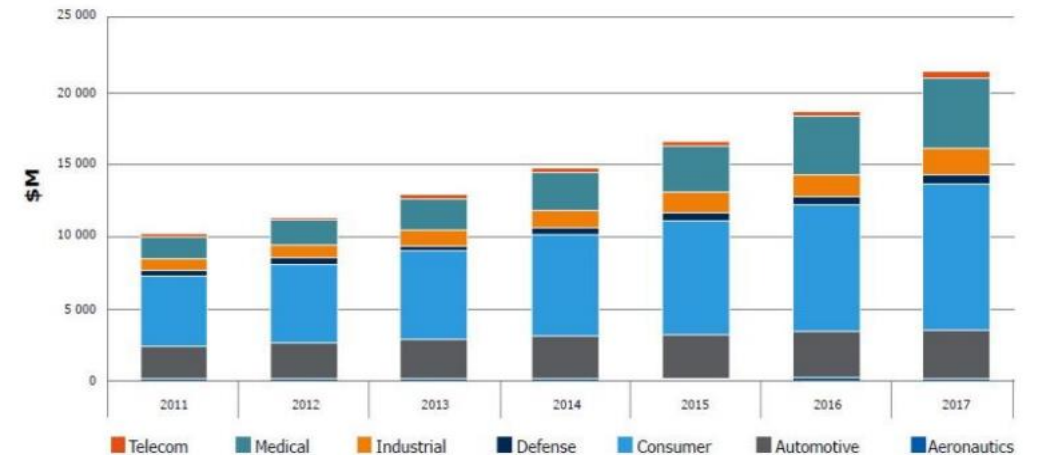
MEMS- Micro-Electro-Mechanical-Systems



<https://www.arrow.com/en/research-and-events/articles/mems-and-iot-applications>



MEMS devices forecast by application (\$M)
 (Status of the MEMS Industry report, July 2012, Yole Développement)



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MEMS Applications: Challenges versus solutions

Em EMS for SOLIDWORKS

Challenges

Solutions



Geometrical modeling



SOLIDWORKS

Materials modeling



Isotropic, anisotropic,
temperature dependent, etc

Ohmic losses, electric and
magnetic forces



Electric and magnetic
modules (static, harmonic
and transient)

Capacitance, inductance,
resistance, etc



Thermal and structural
coupling

Multi-physics



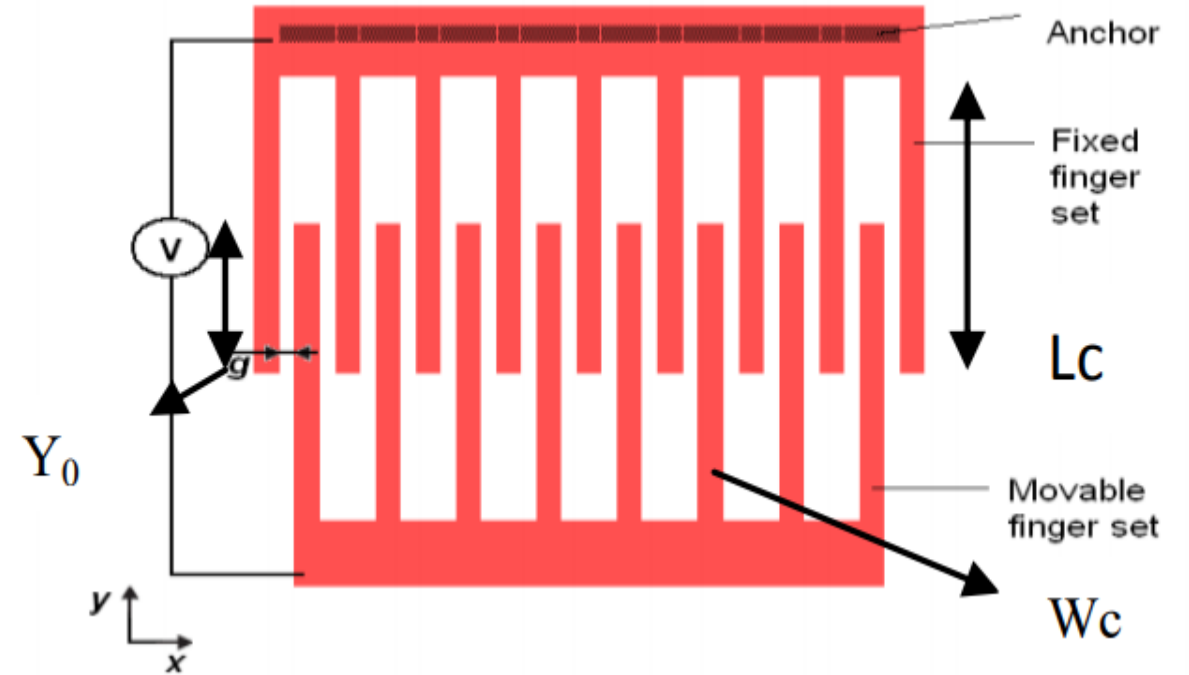
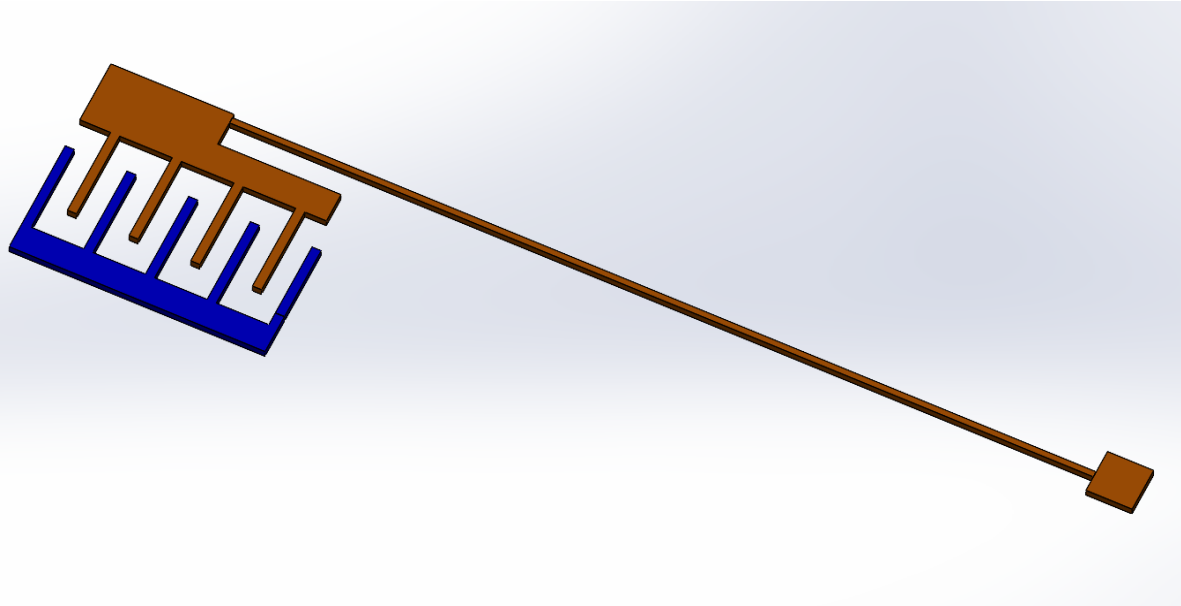
Design iterations



Parameterization (geometrical and
simulation variables) / SW multi-
configurations

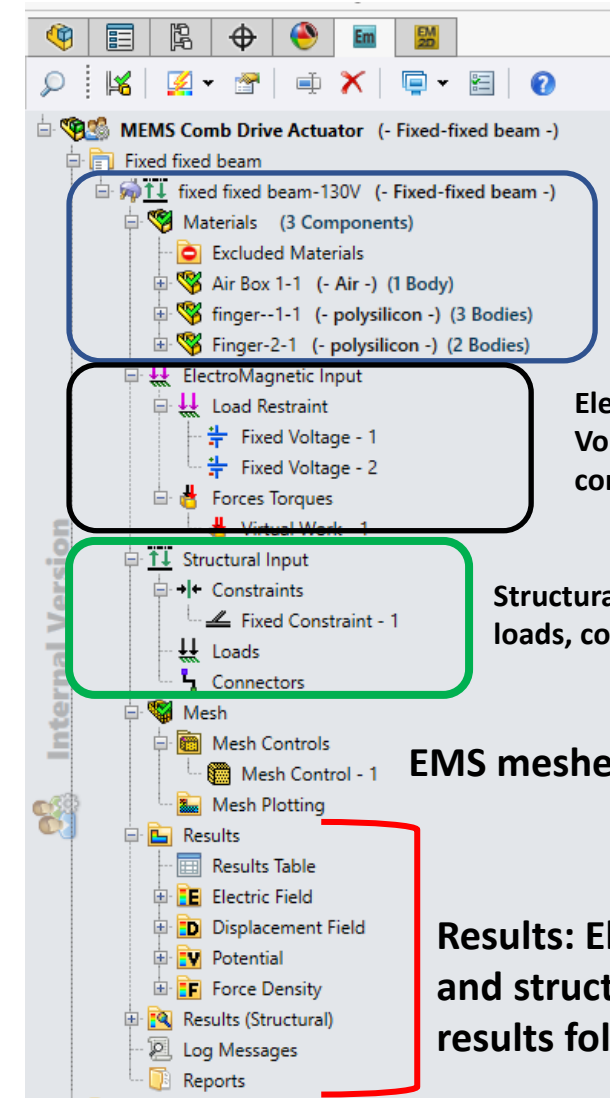
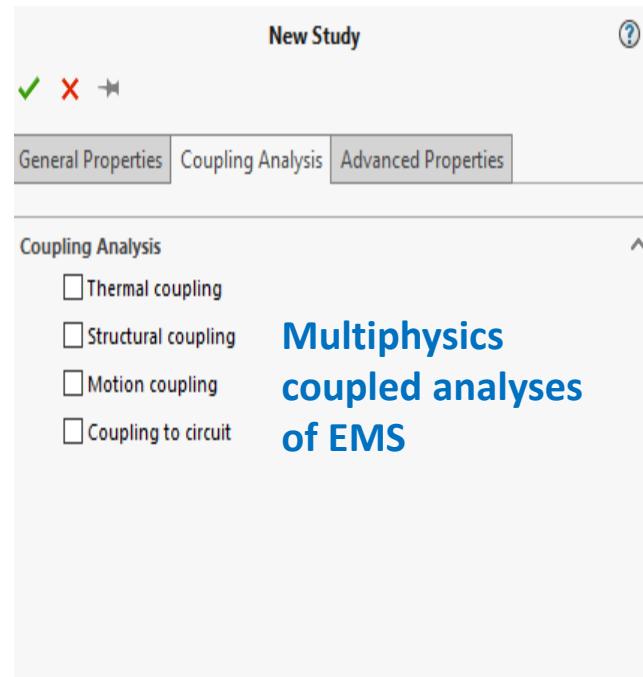
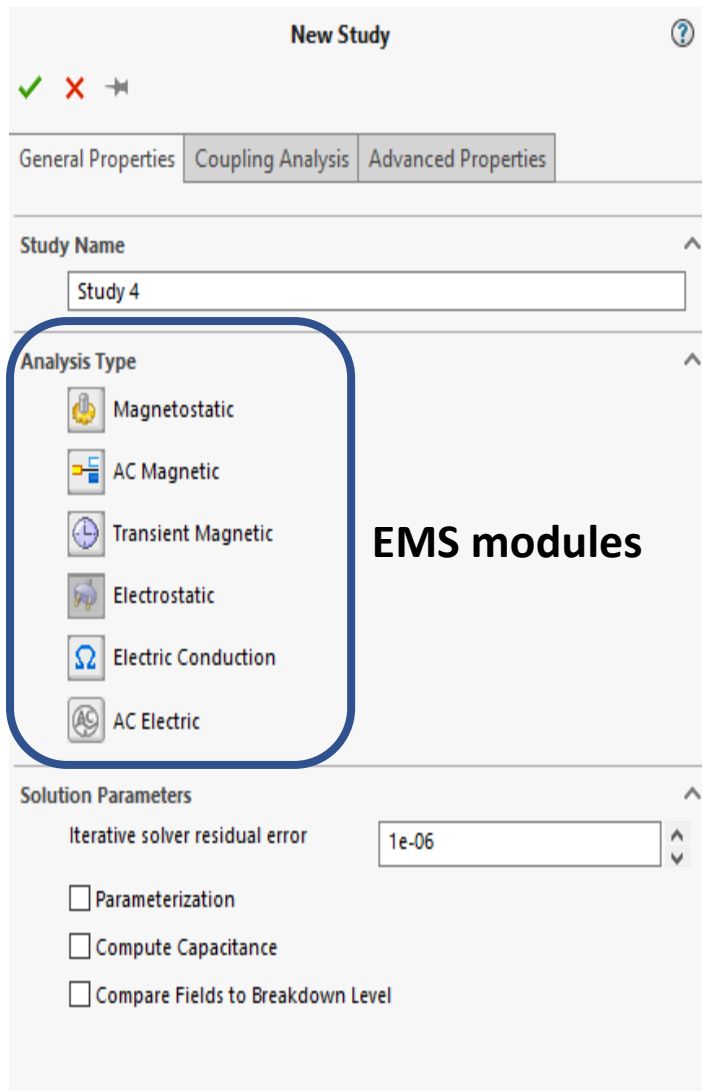


Example 1- Comb drive actuator



$$C = \frac{2n\epsilon_0 t(y_0 + y)}{g}$$

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EMS Tree

Materials Section

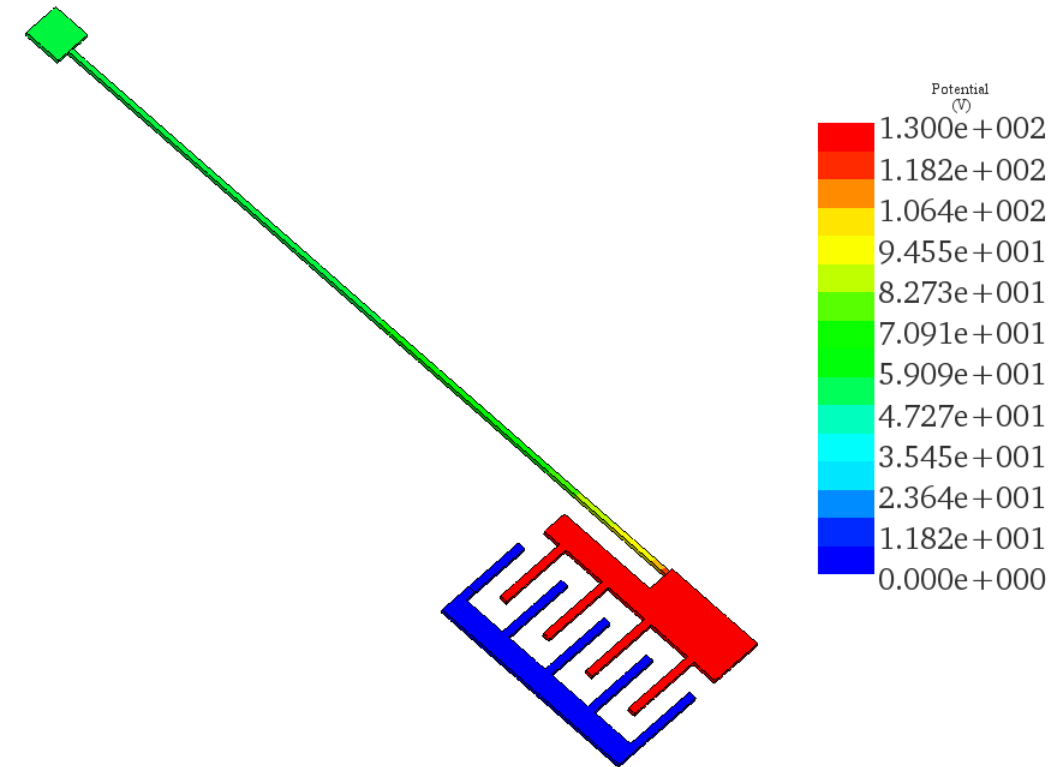
Electromagnetic inputs: Voltage, charge, floating conductors/ force definition

Structural inputs: constraints, loads, connectors...

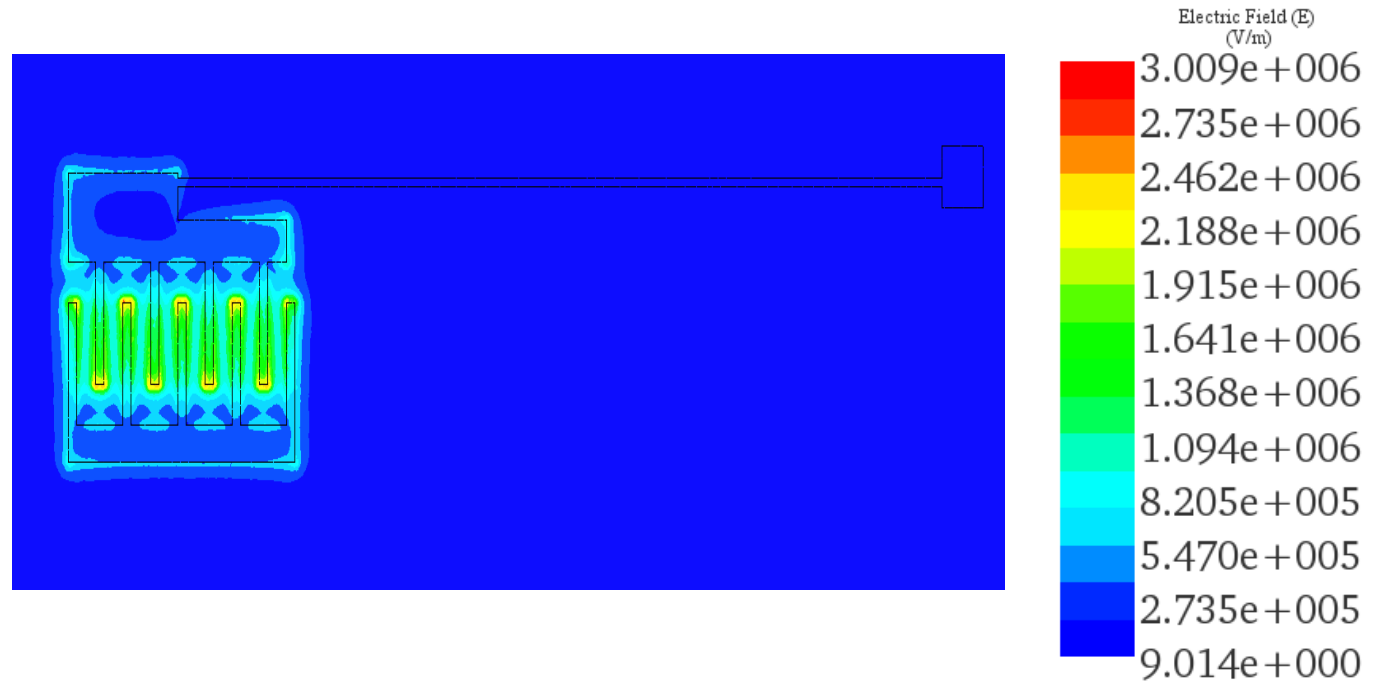
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Results: Electric and structural results folders

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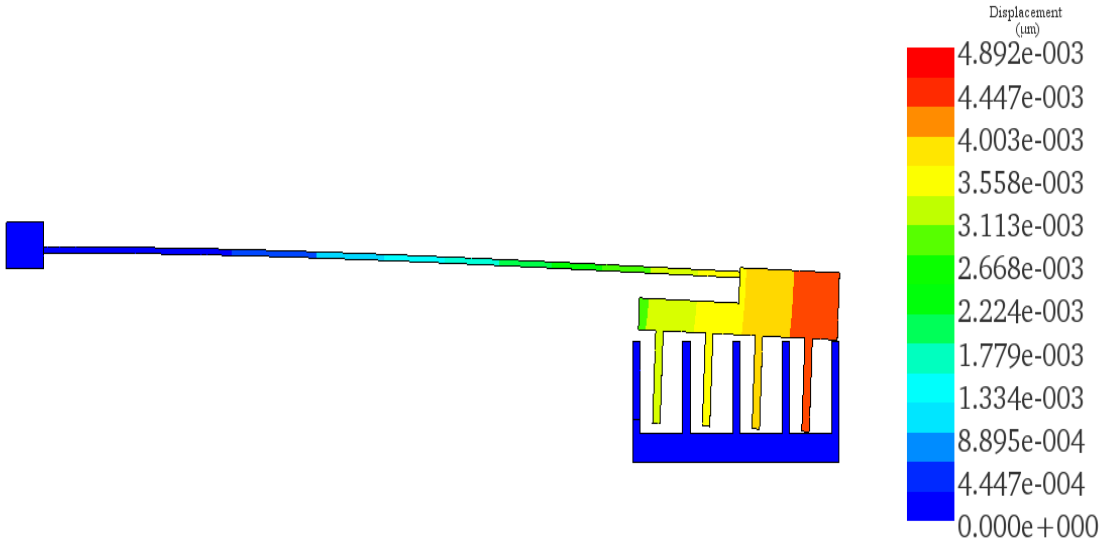


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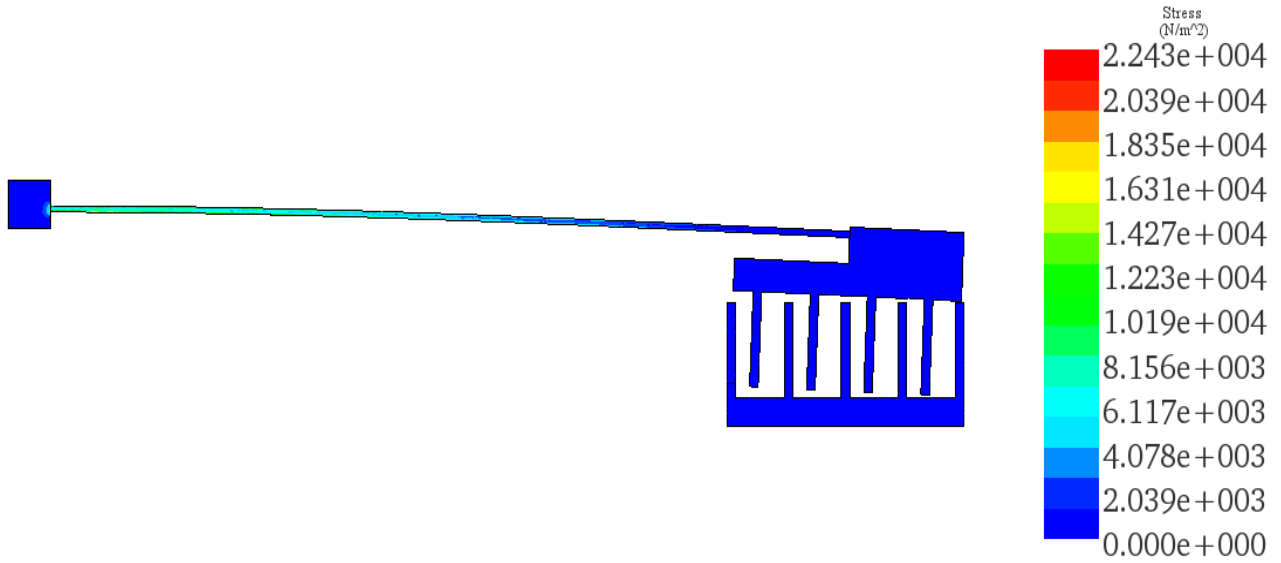


Electric Field Results

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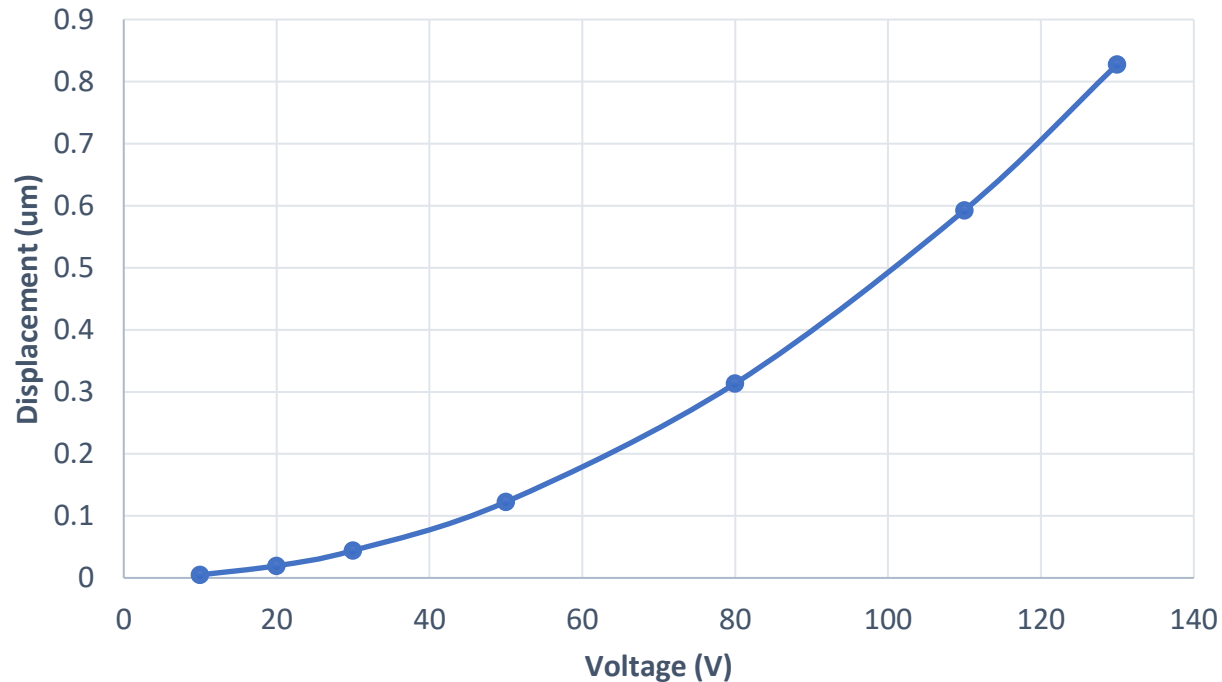
Mechanical Displacement Results



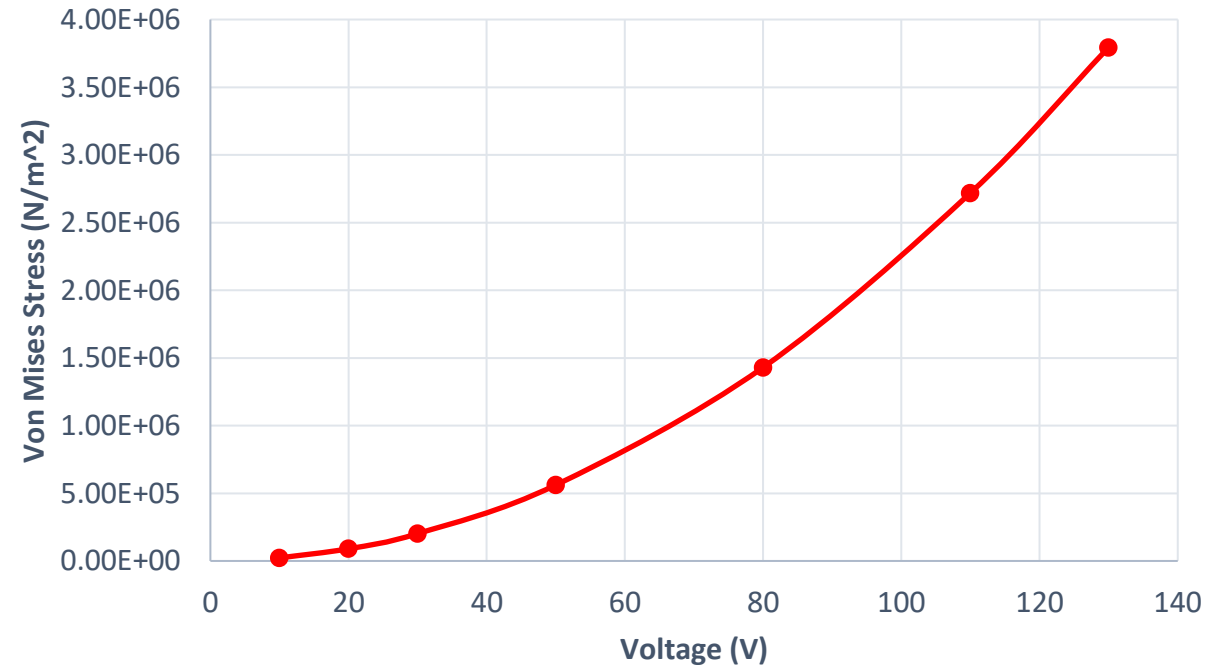
Von Mises Stress Results

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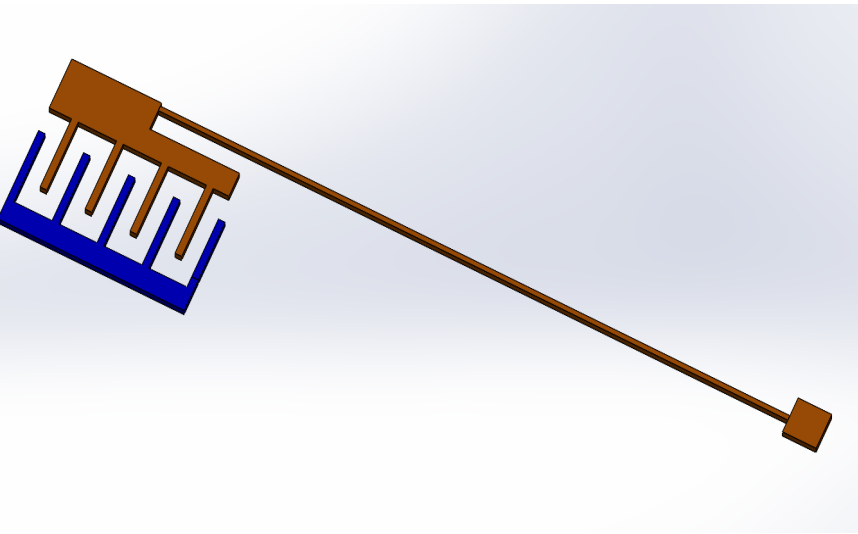
Mechanical Displacement versus Voltage



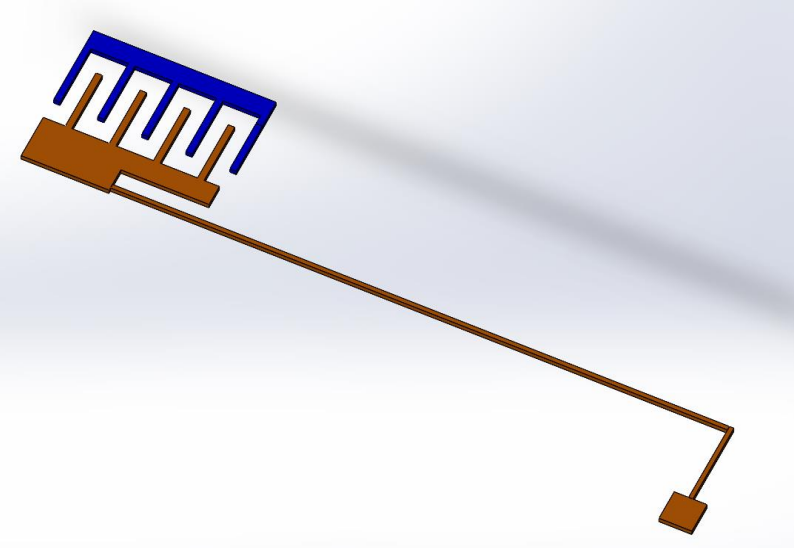
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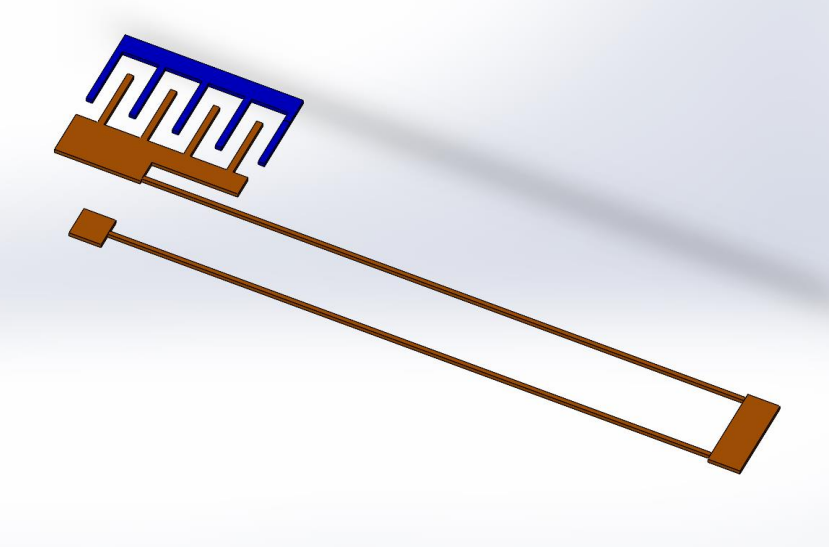
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Fixed-fixed beam

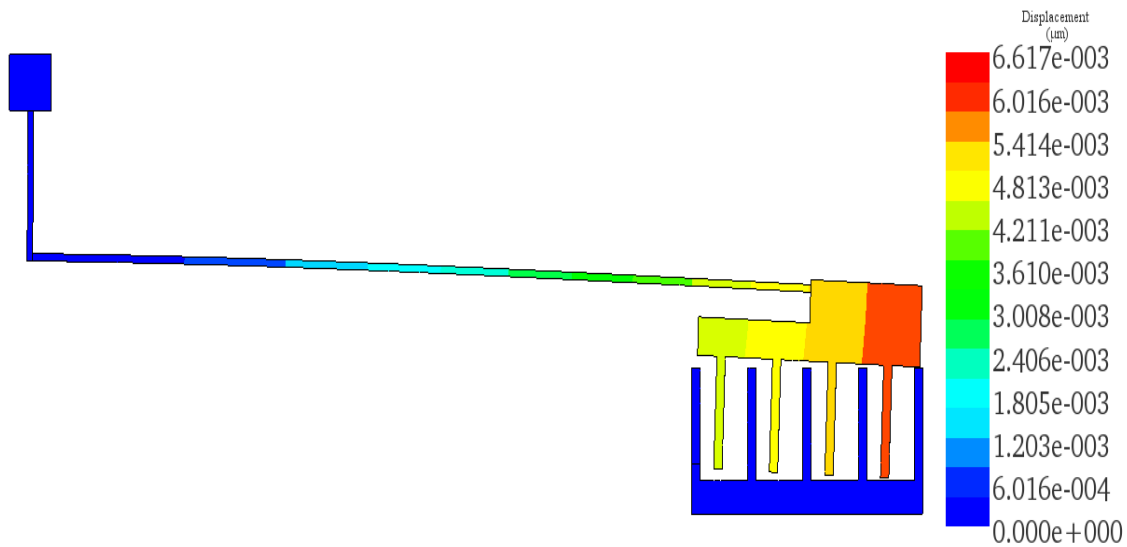


Crab leg flexure beam

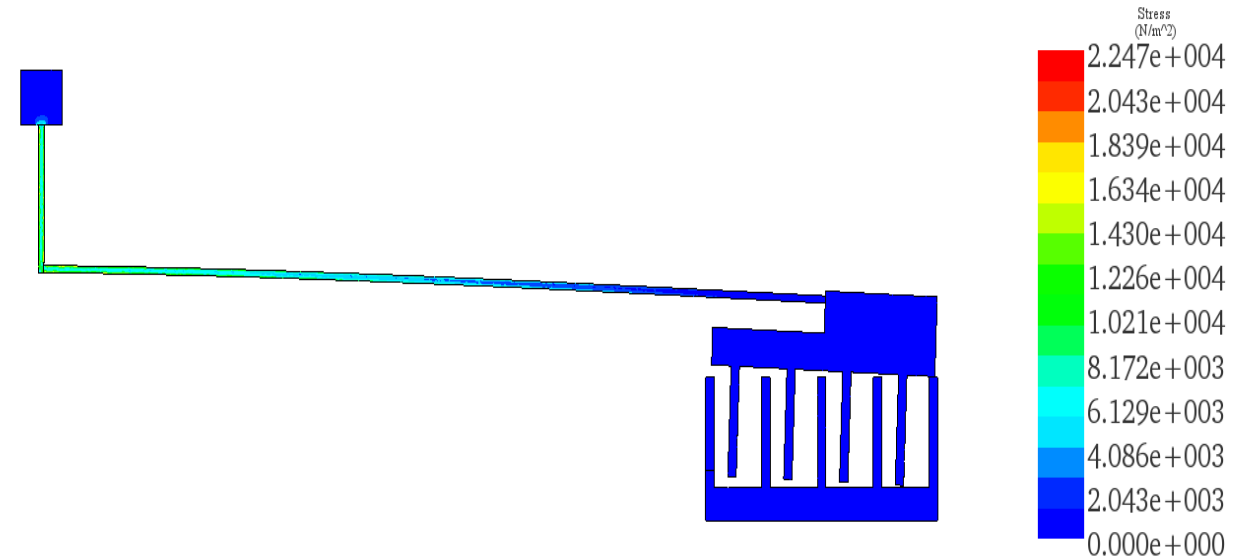


Folded flexure beam

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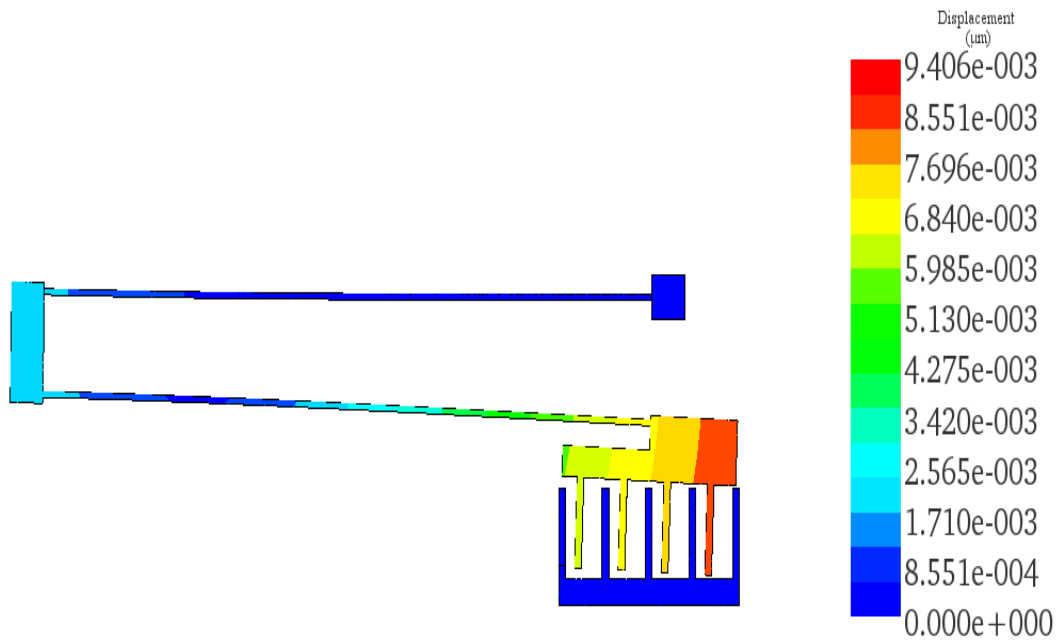


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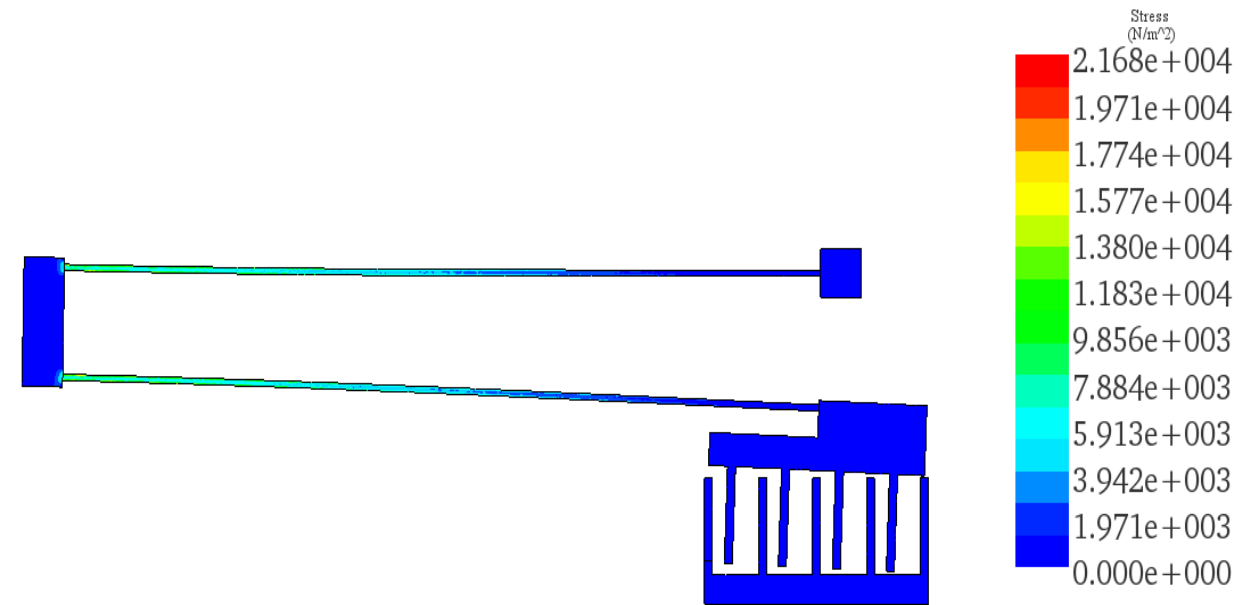


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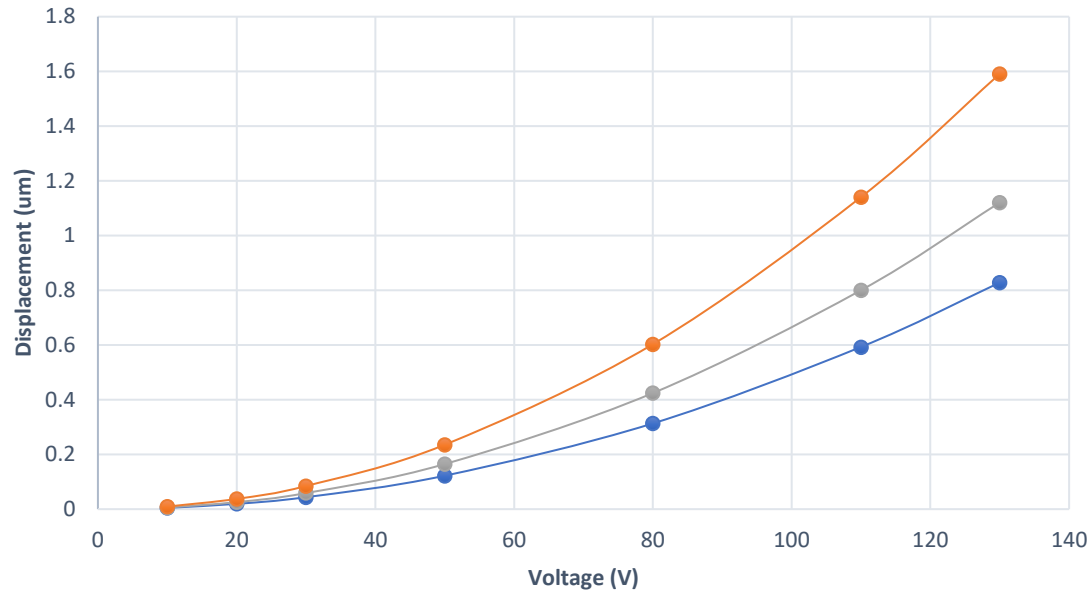
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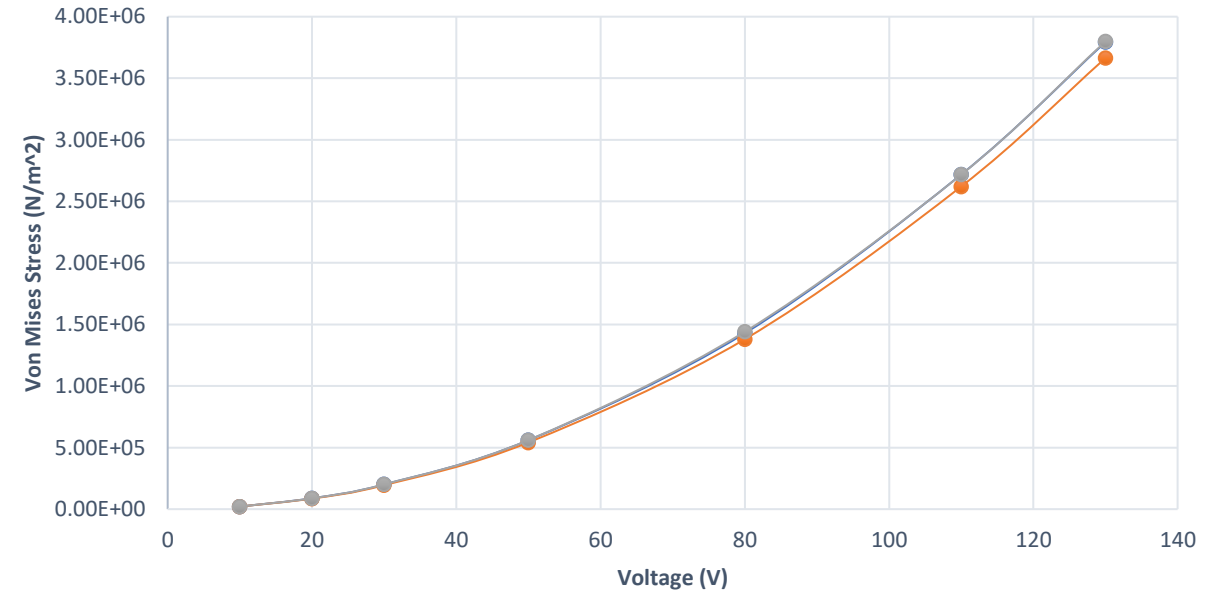
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Displacement Results for Different Configurations



—●— Fixed fixed beam —●— Crab leg flexure beam —●— Folded flexure beam

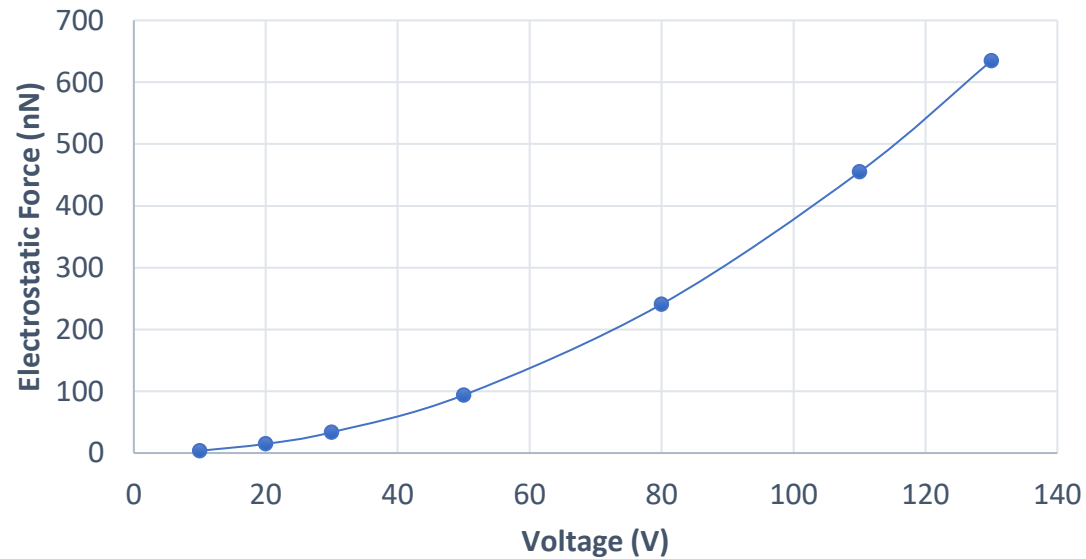
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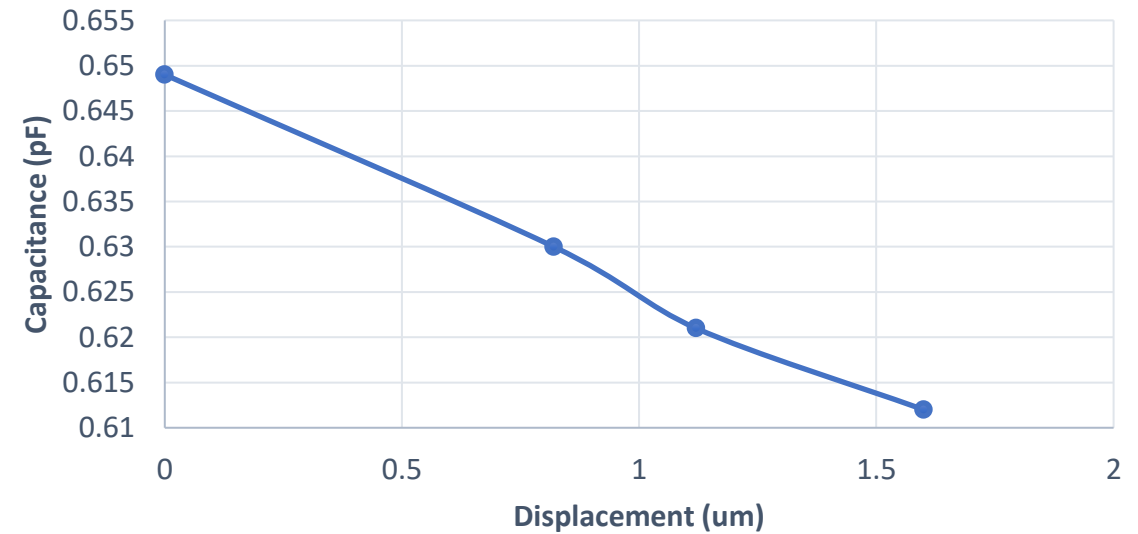
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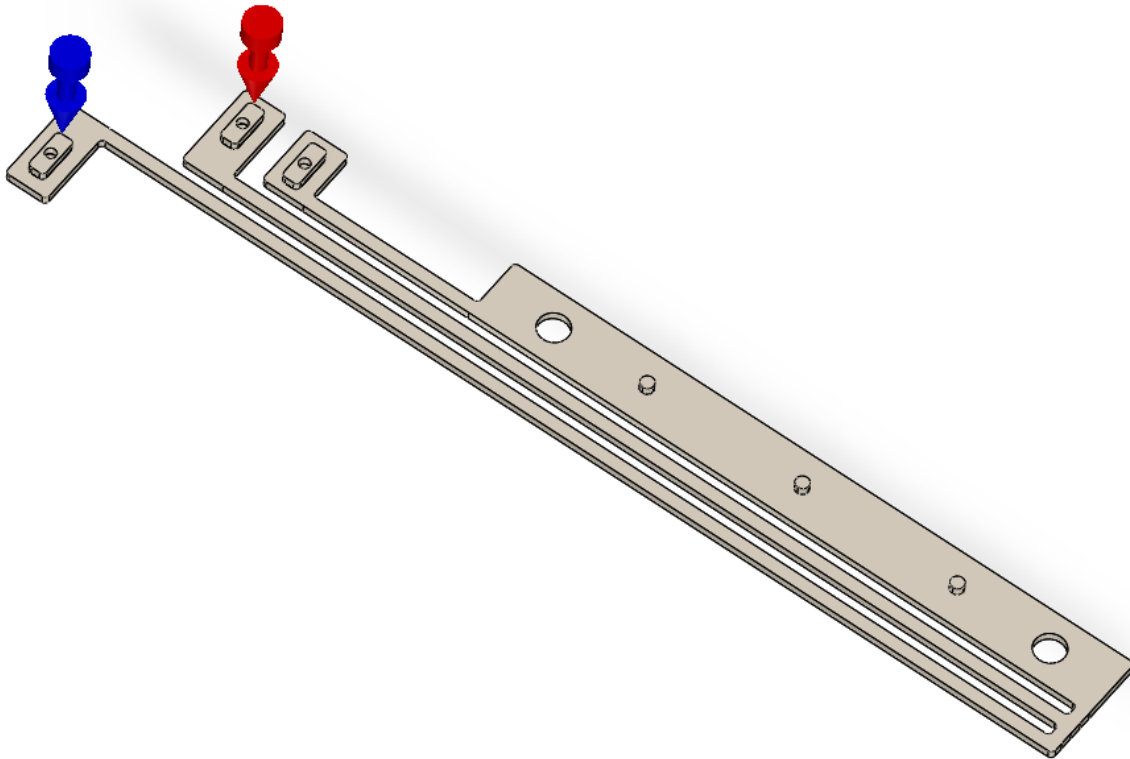
Electrostatic Force Results versus Voltage



Capacitance Results versus Displacement



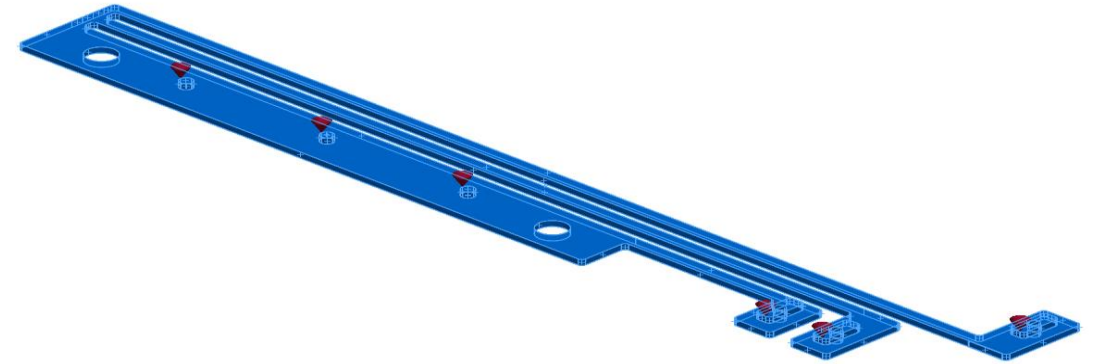
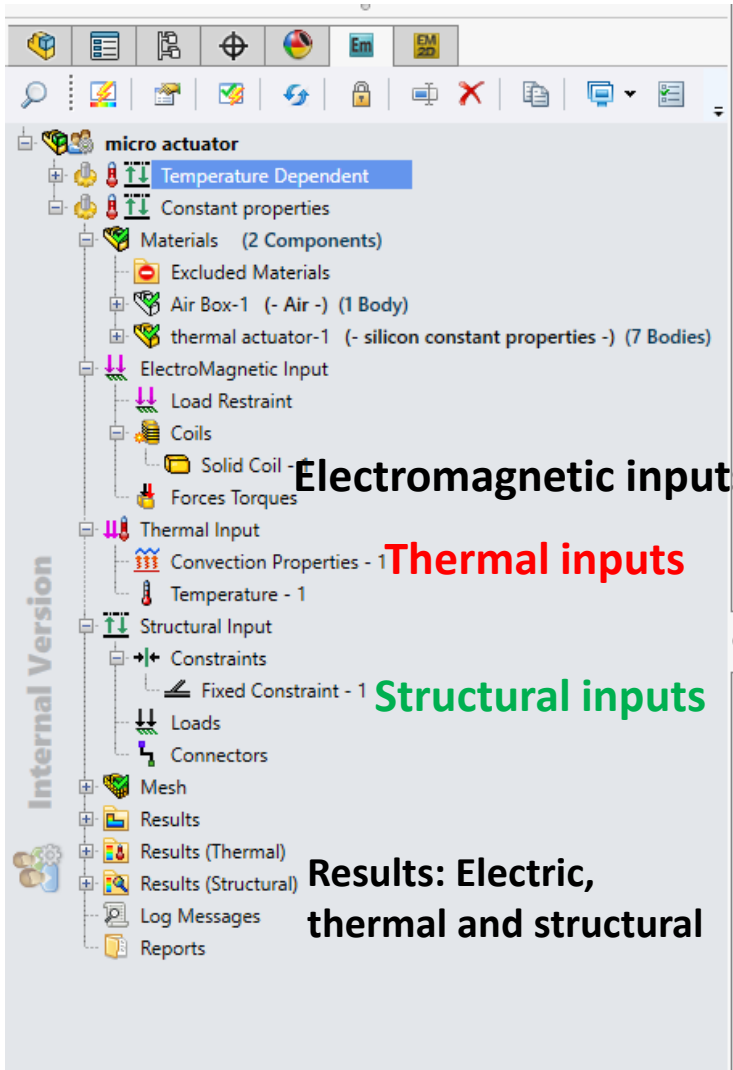
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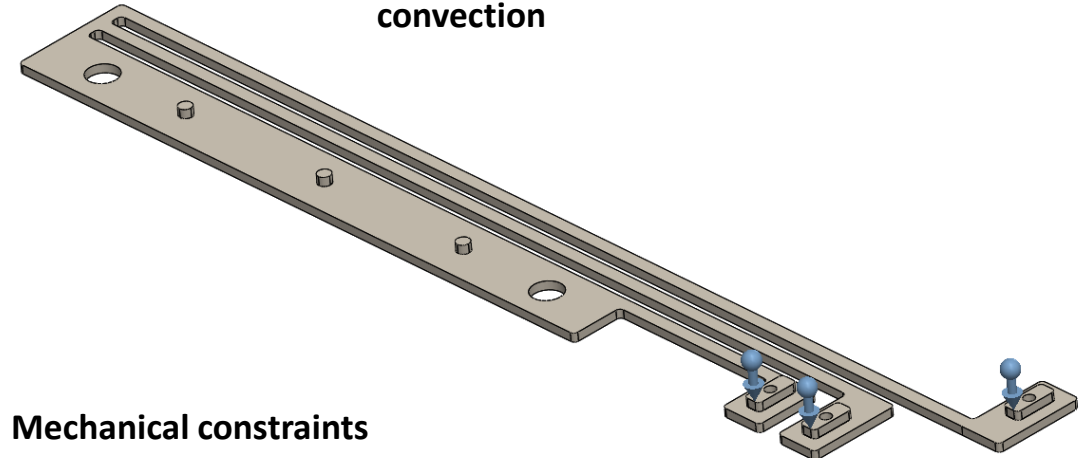
Silicon Properties

Properties	Values
Relative permittivity (ϵ_r)	4.5
Electrical conductivity (σ)	45000 S/m
Young modulus (E)	$160 \cdot 10^9$ Pa
Poisson ration (ν)	0.22
Mass density	2320 kg/m ³
Thermal expansion	2.6e-6 (1/K)
Thermal conductivity	34 (W/m*K)
Specific heat	678 (J/Kg*K)

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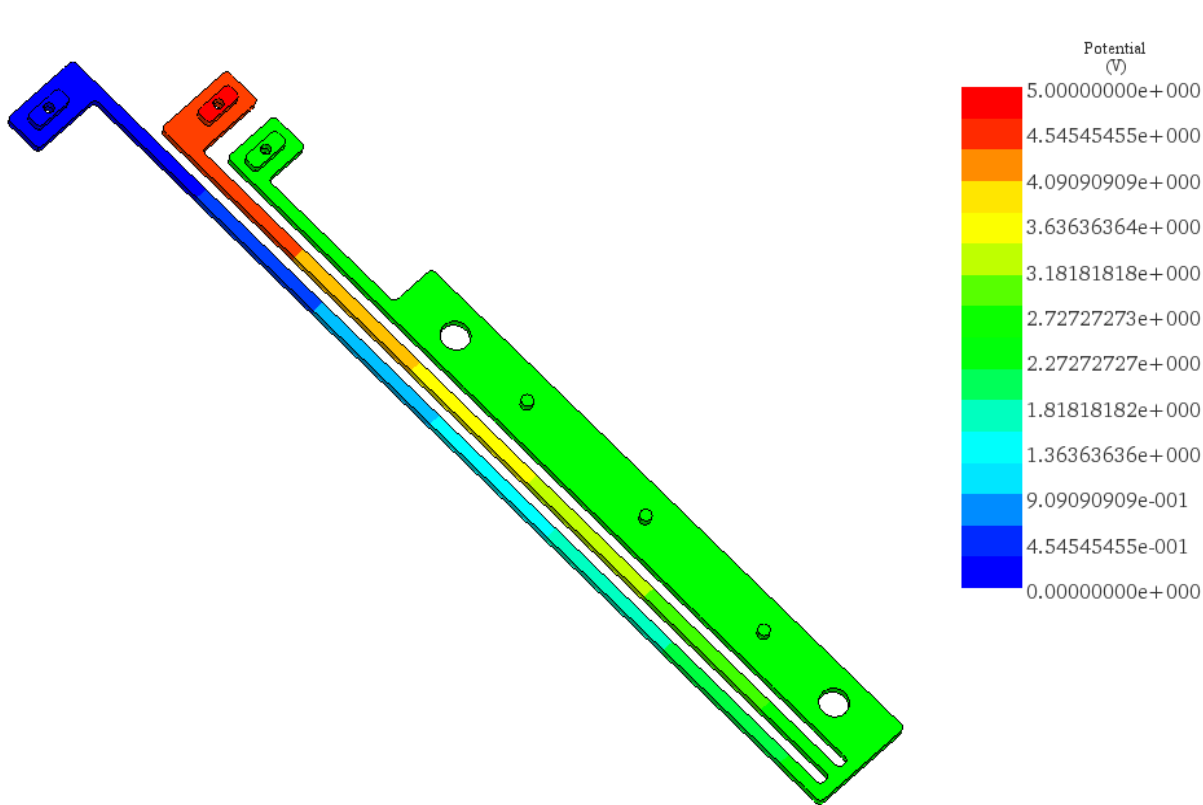


Thermal loads: temperature and convection

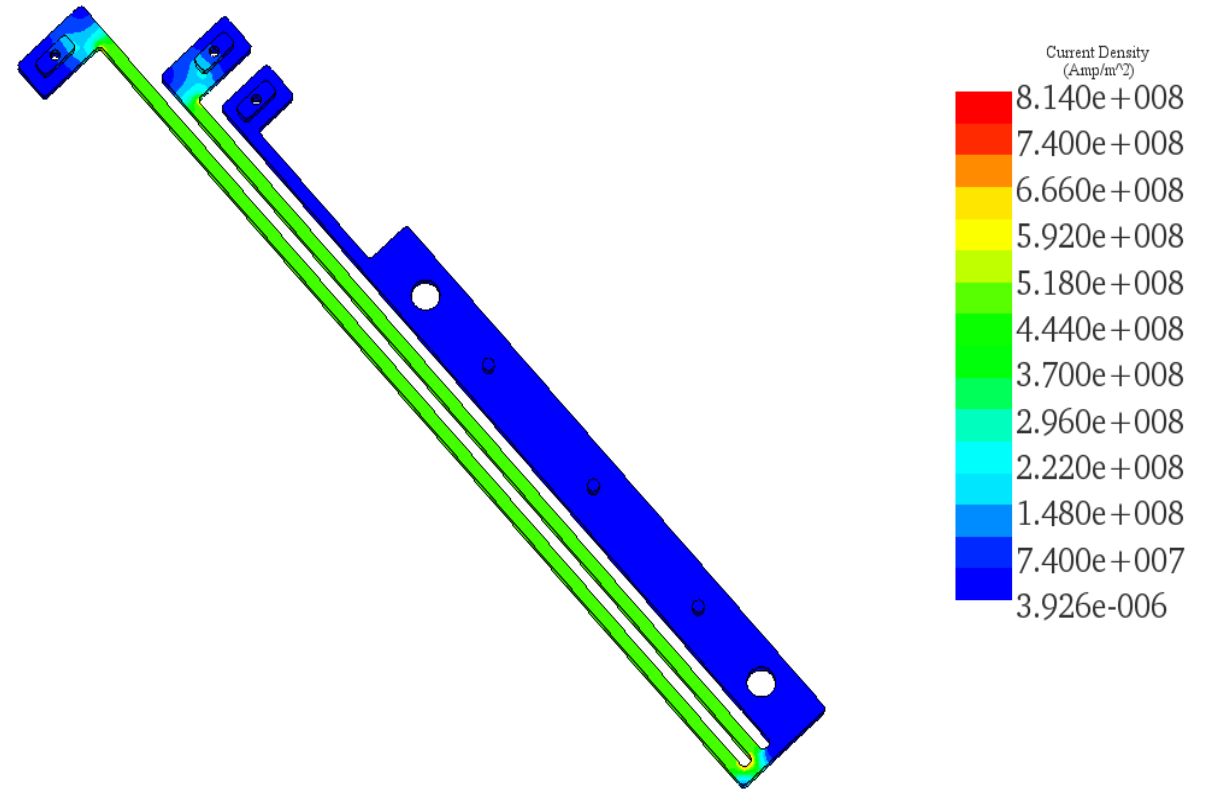


Mechanical constraints

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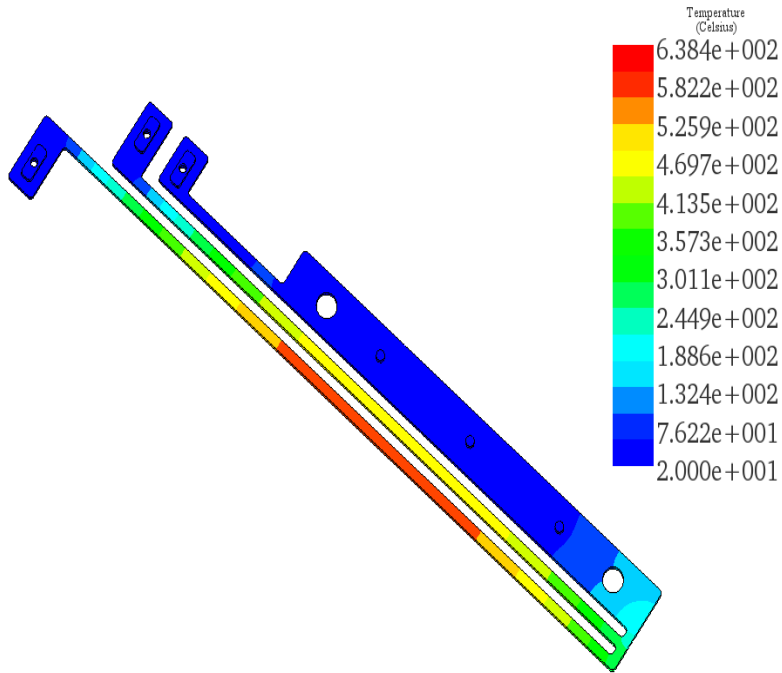


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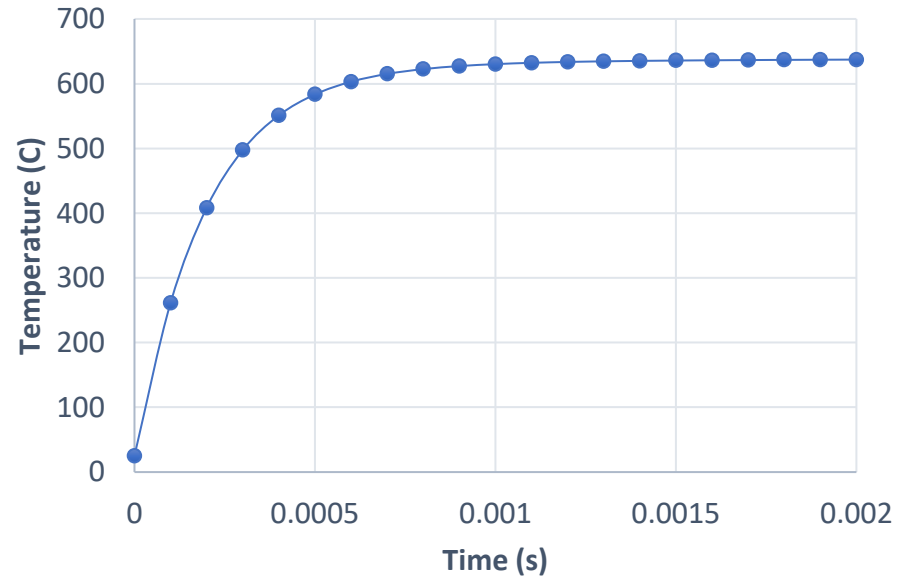


Current Density Results

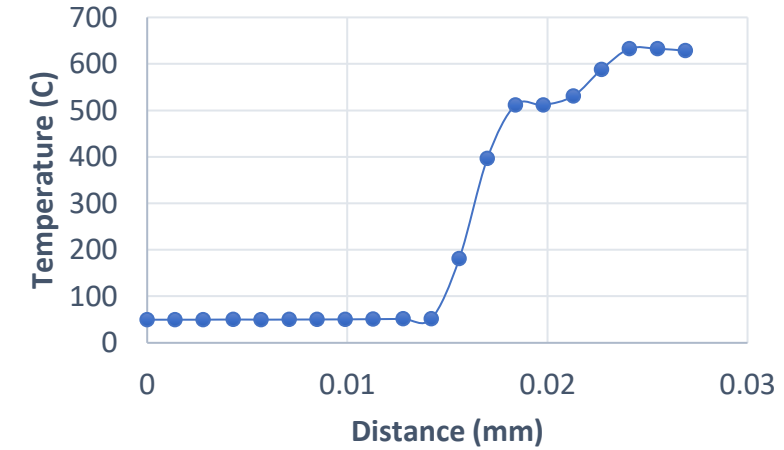
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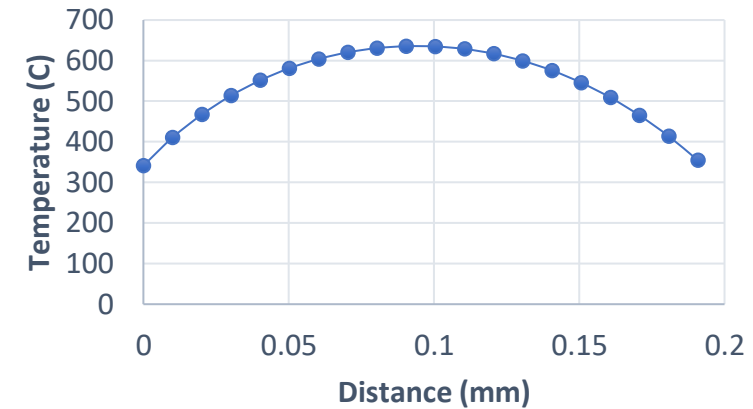
Temperature Variation versus Time



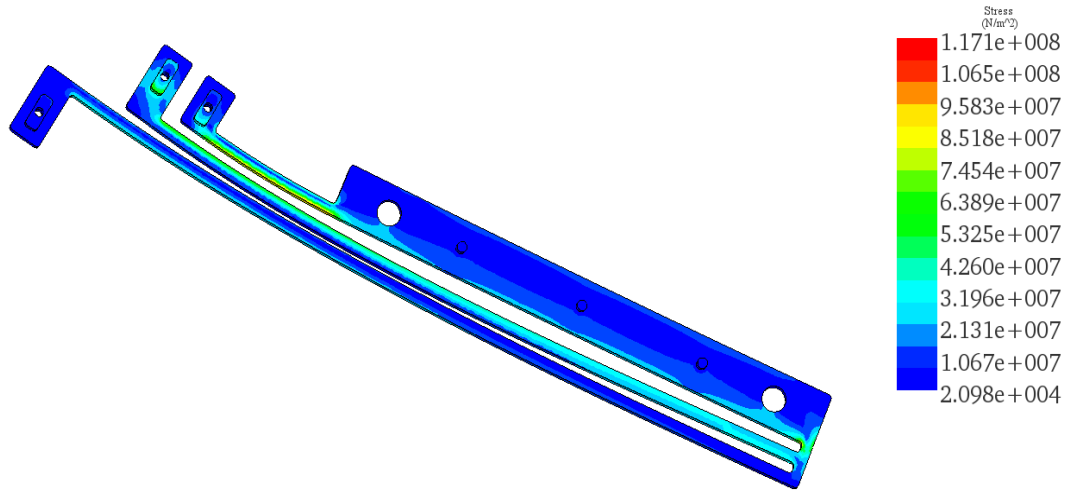
Temperature Variation Across the Actuator



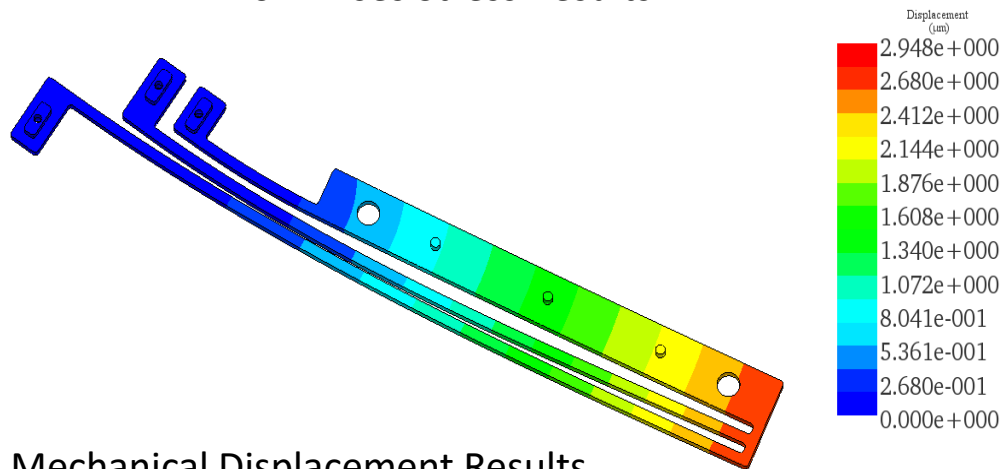
Temperature Variation Along the Hottest Arm



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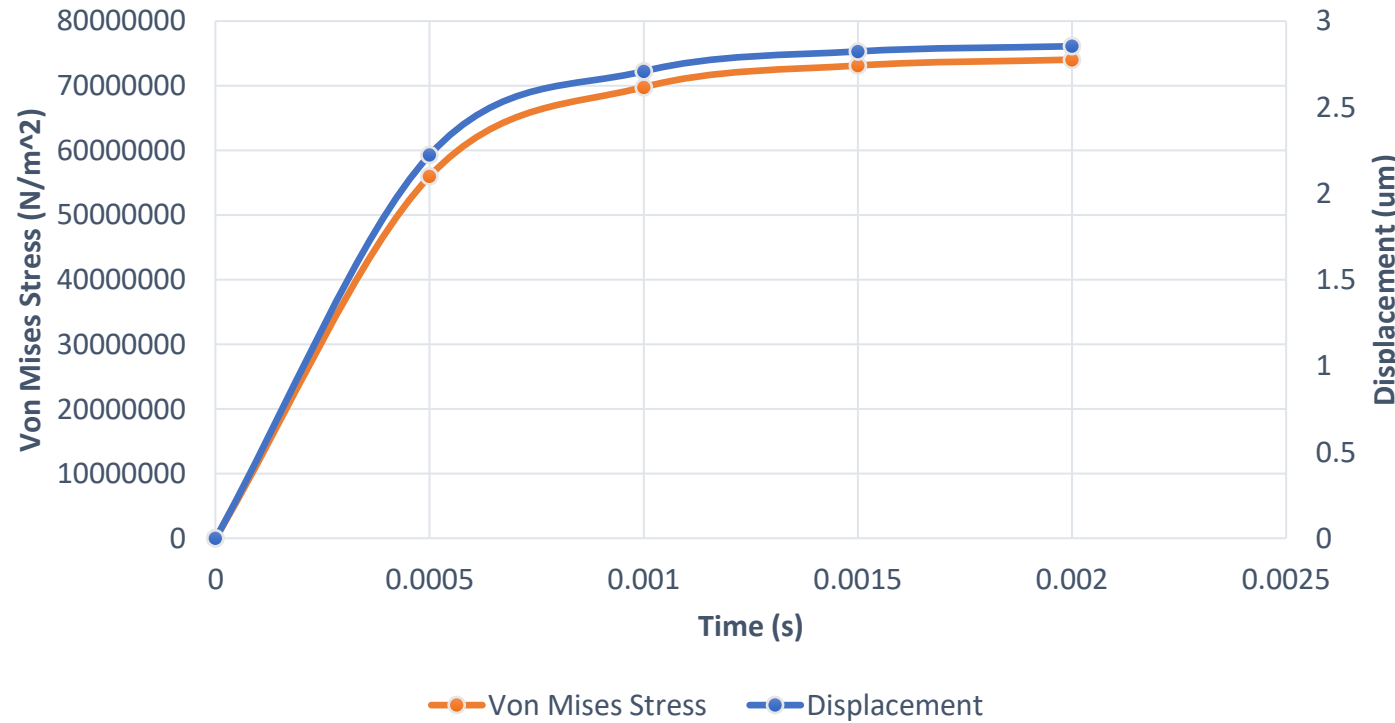


Von Mises Stress Results



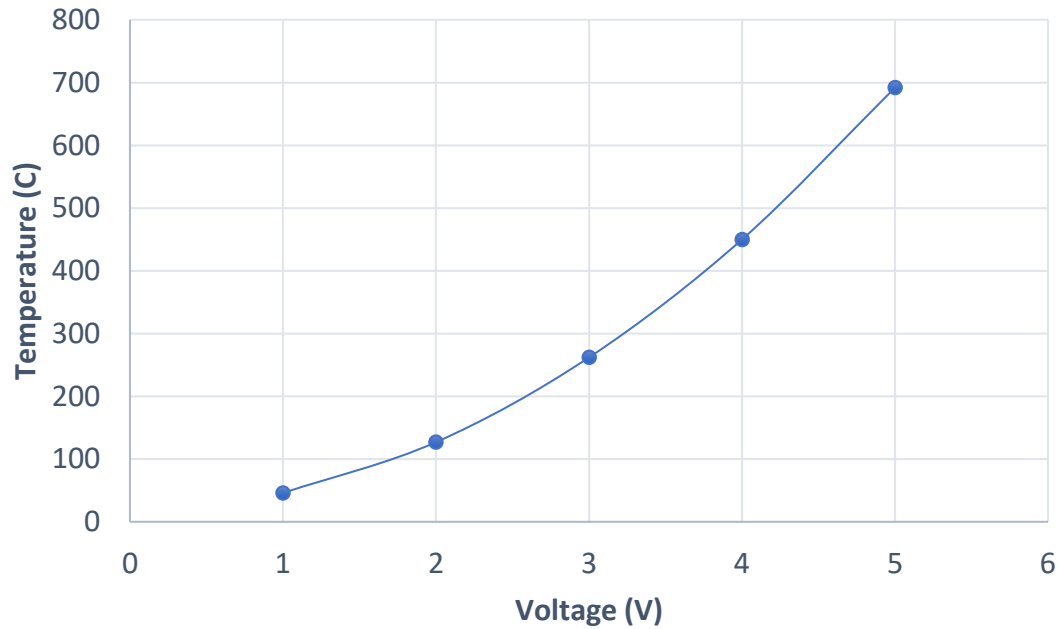
Mechanical Displacement Results

Von Mises Stress and Displacement Results

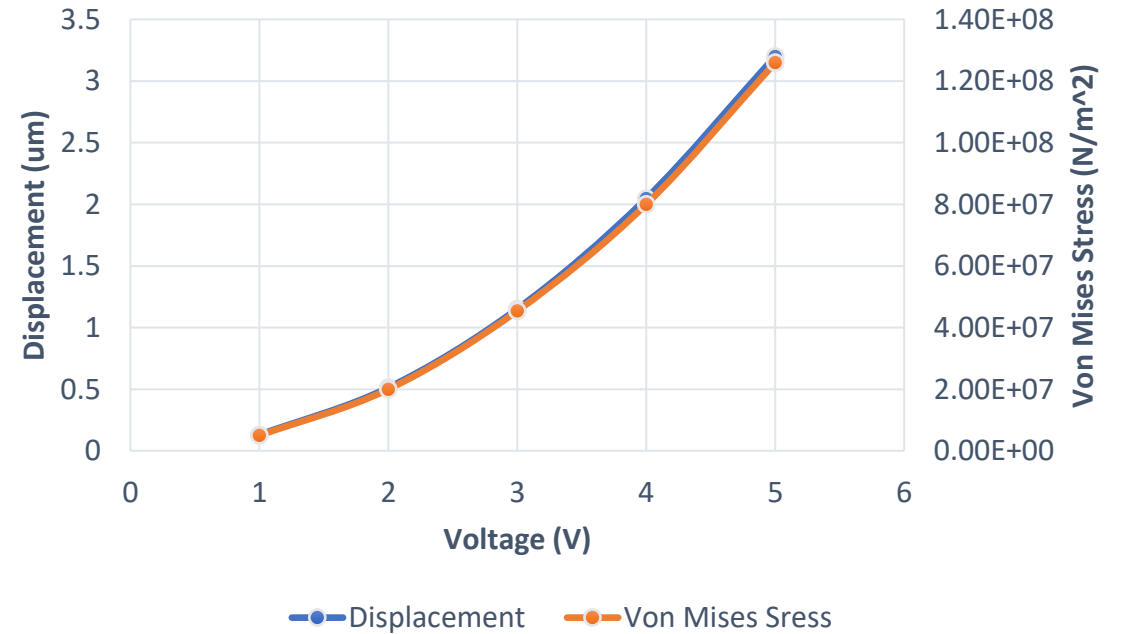


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Temperature Results versus Applied Voltage

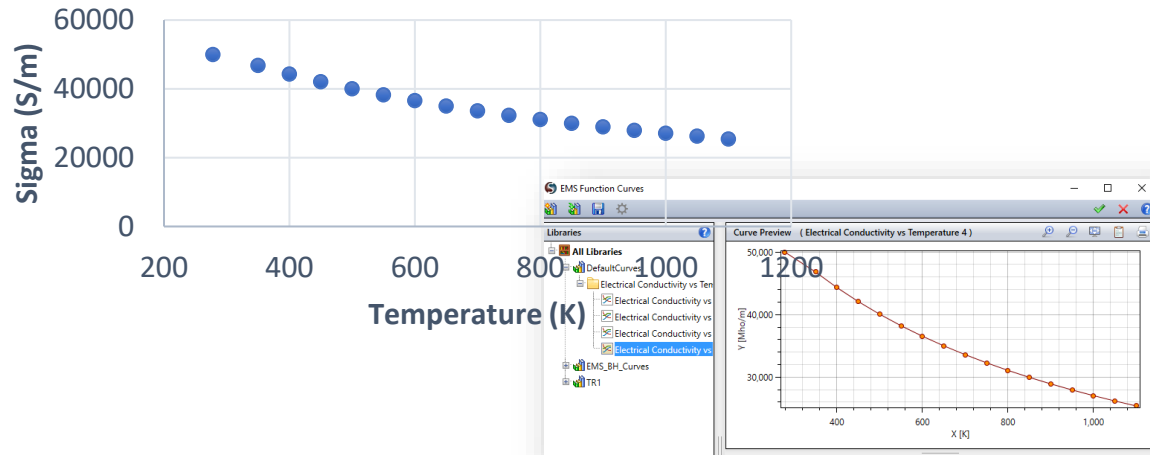


Displacement and Von Mises Stress Results versus Applied Voltage

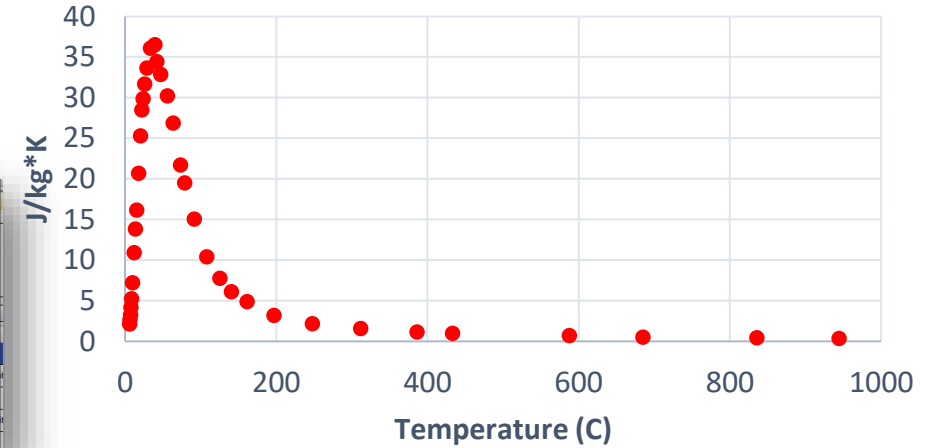


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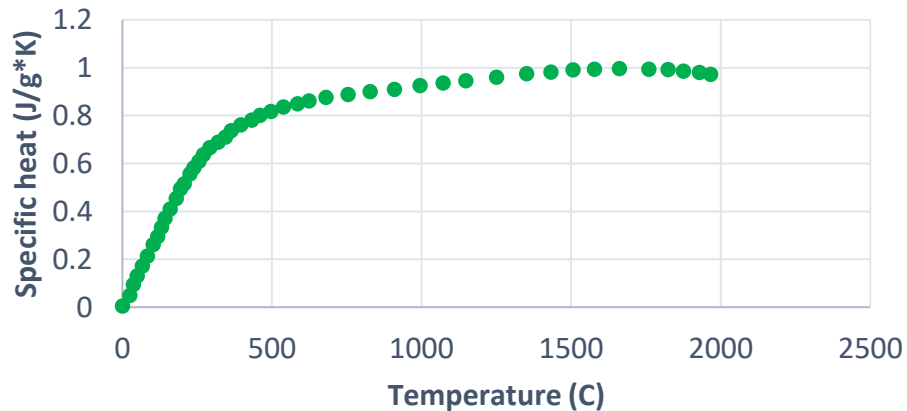
Electrical Conductivity



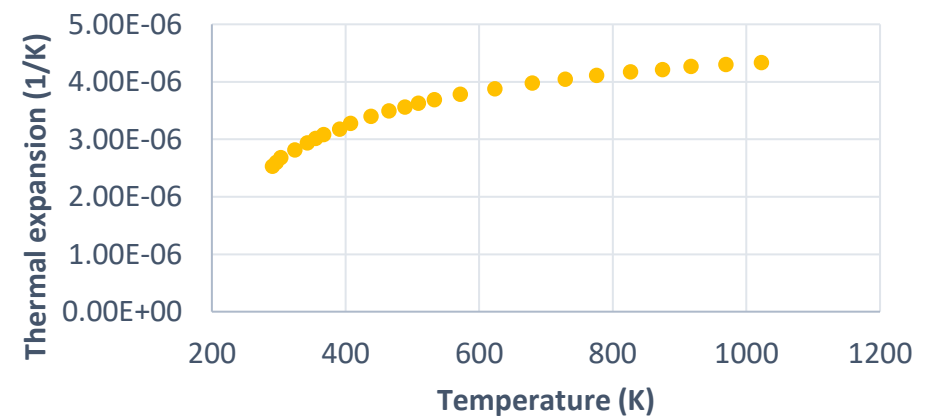
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Specific Heat

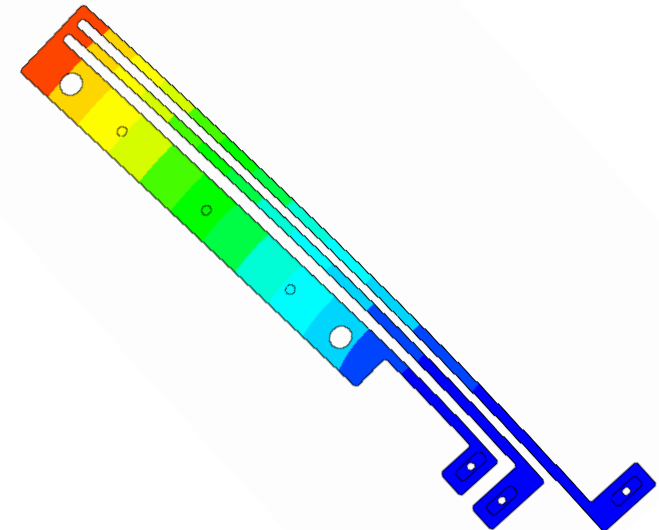
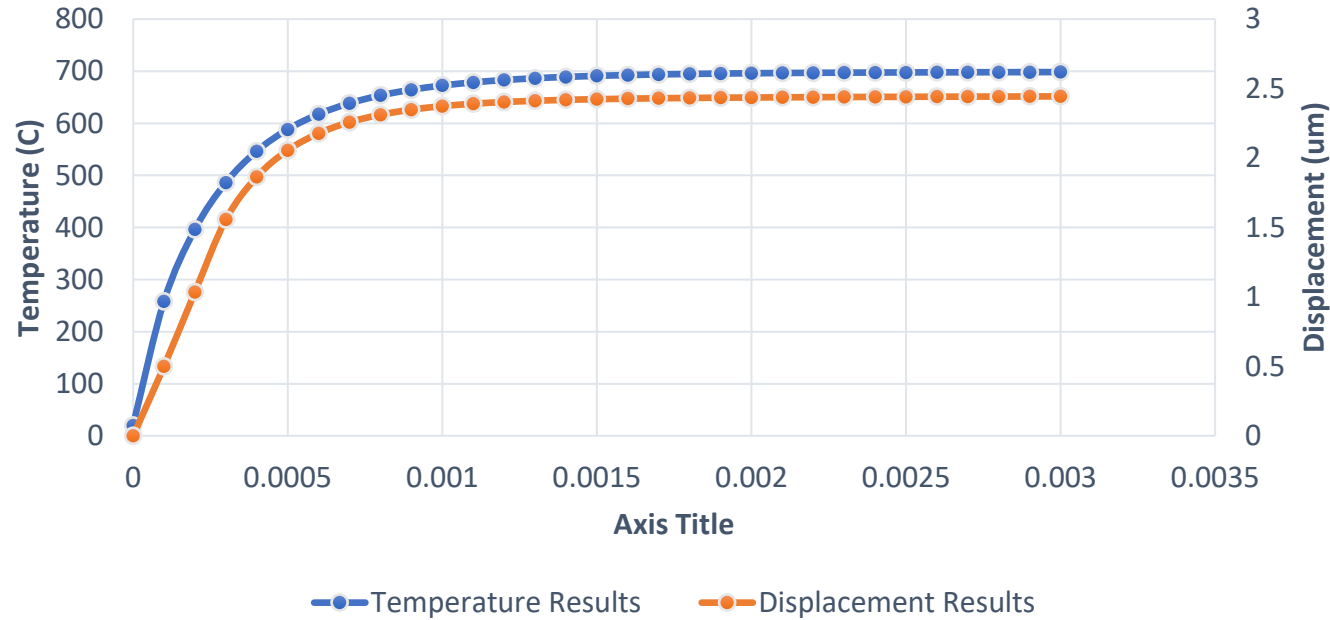


Thermal Expansion



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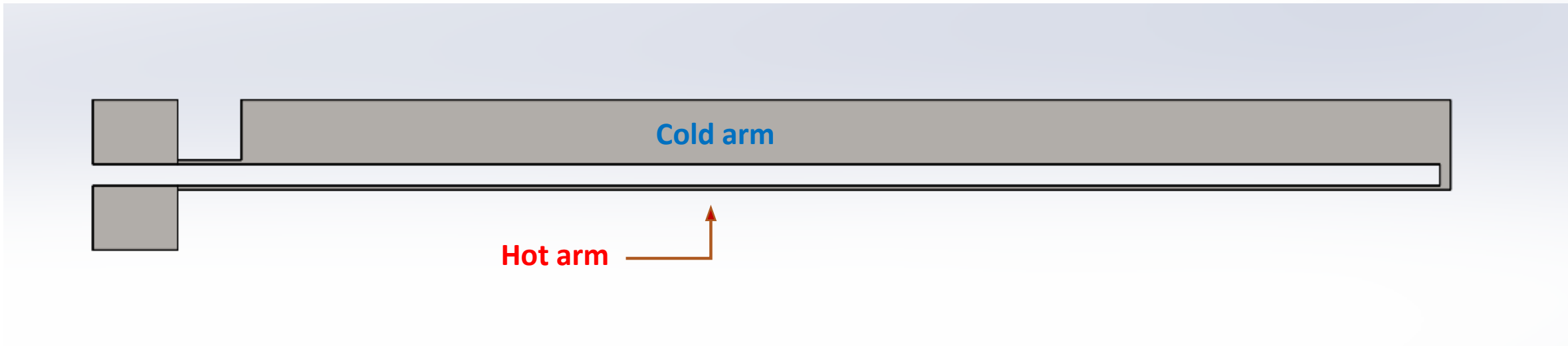
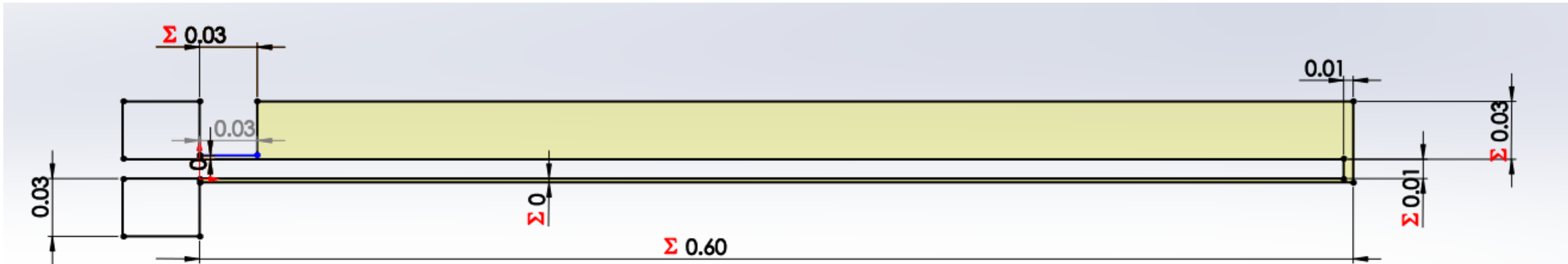
Temperature and Displacement Results



Mechanical Displacement Results

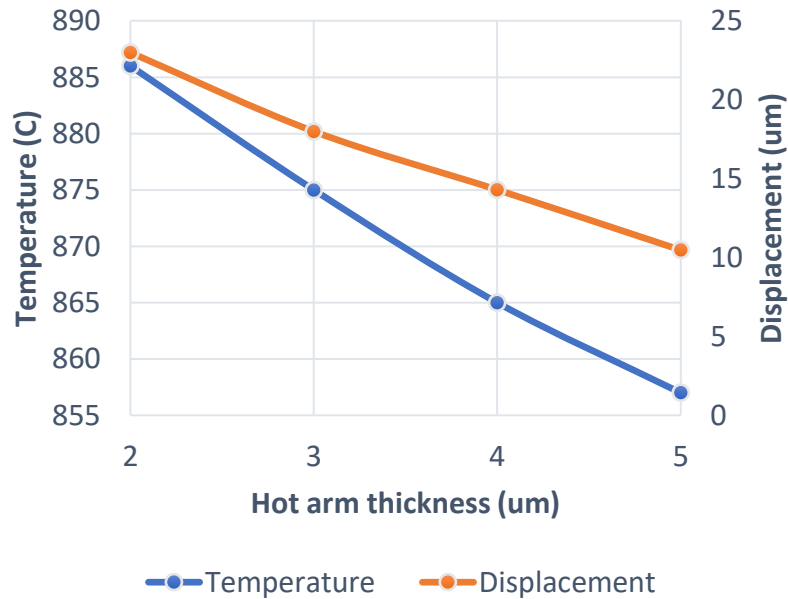
	Max temp.	Max disp.	Max stress
Constant properties	635	2.32	2e+8
Temperature dependent properties	700	2.48	2.15e+8
Error (%)	10%	6.8%	6.9%

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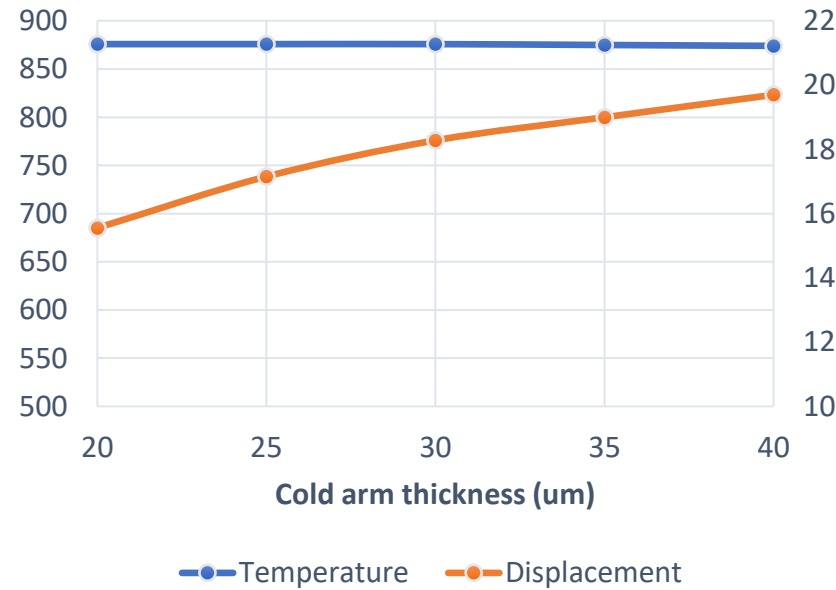


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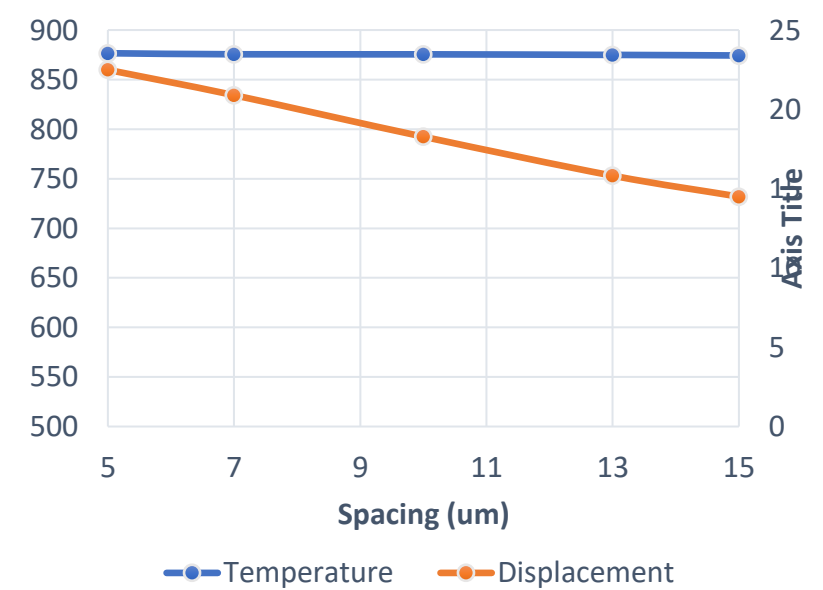
Temperature and Displacement versus Hot Arm Thickness



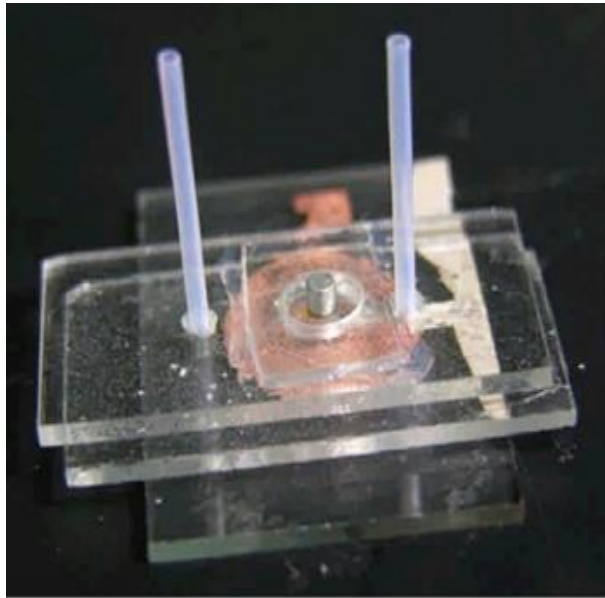
Temperature and Displacement versus Cold Arm Thickness



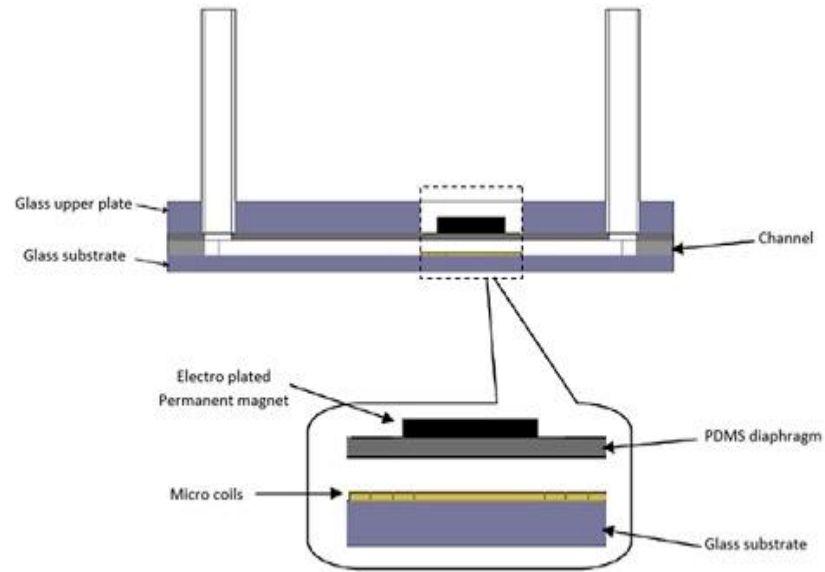
Temperature and Displacement versus Spacing Between Arms



Example 3- Valveless micro-pump

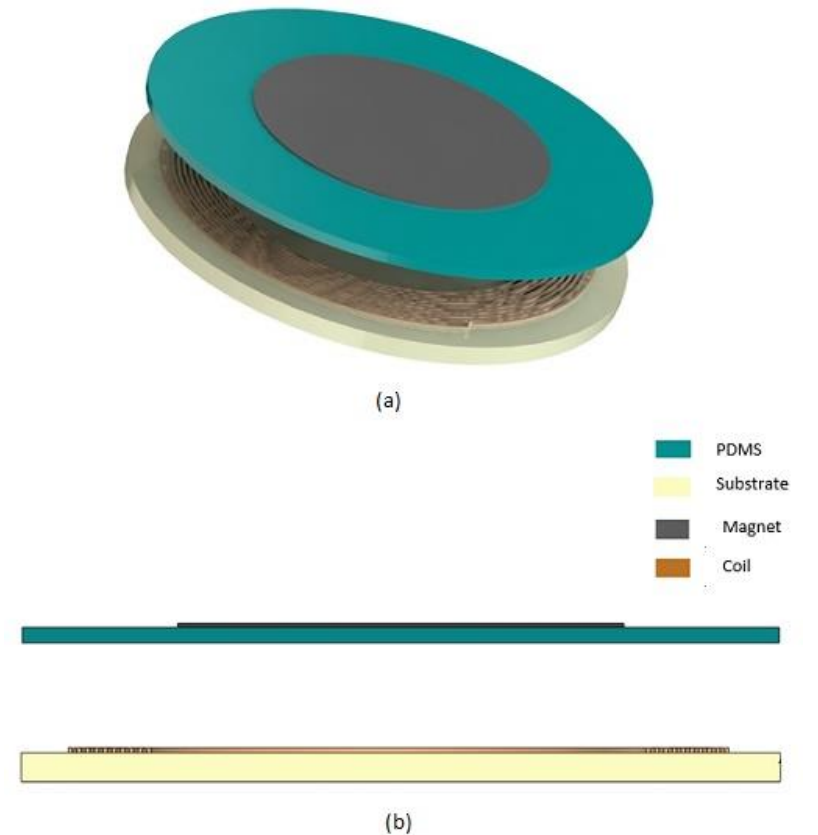


(a)



(b)

a) Picture of the fabricated micro-pump, b) and its schematic illustration

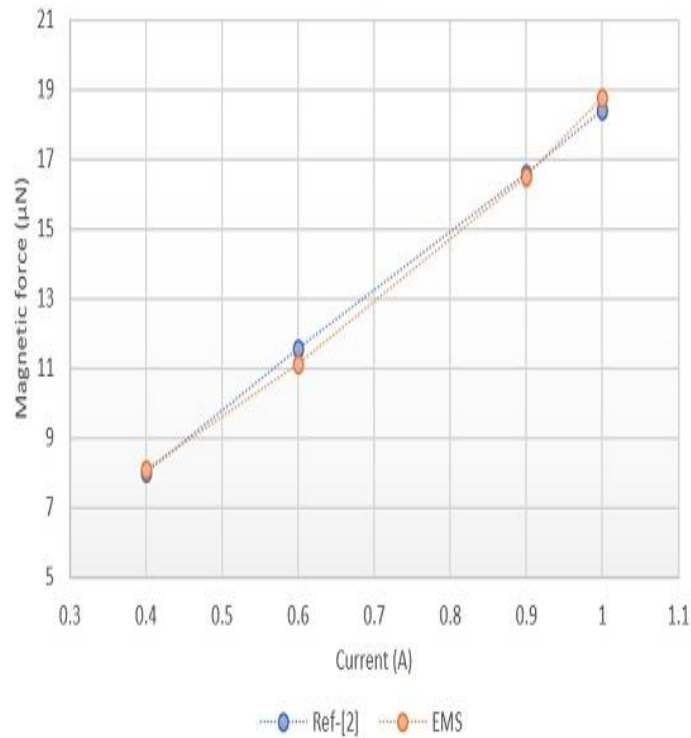


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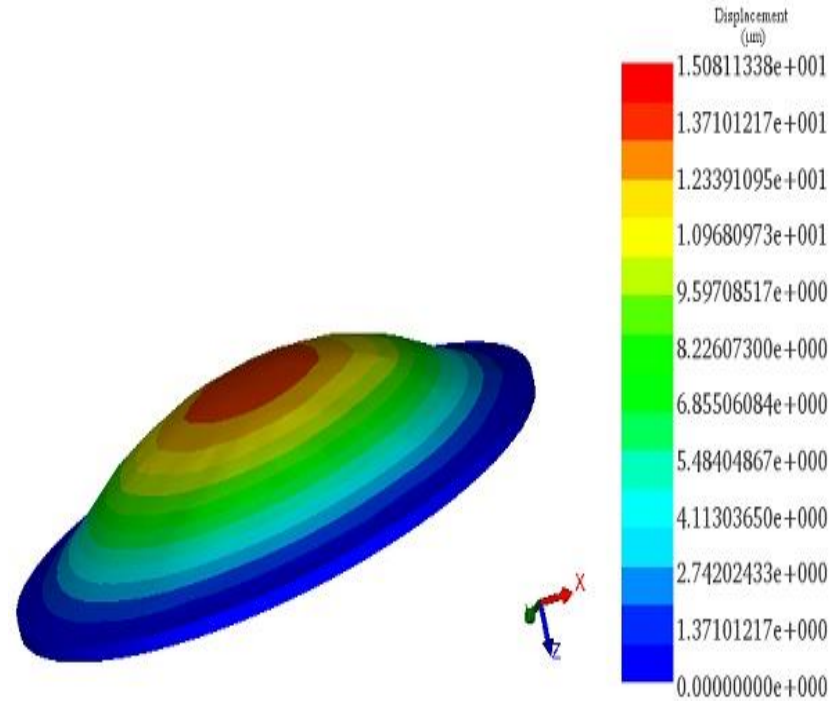
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a) 3D isometric view of the micropump b) cross-sectional view of the micro-pump.

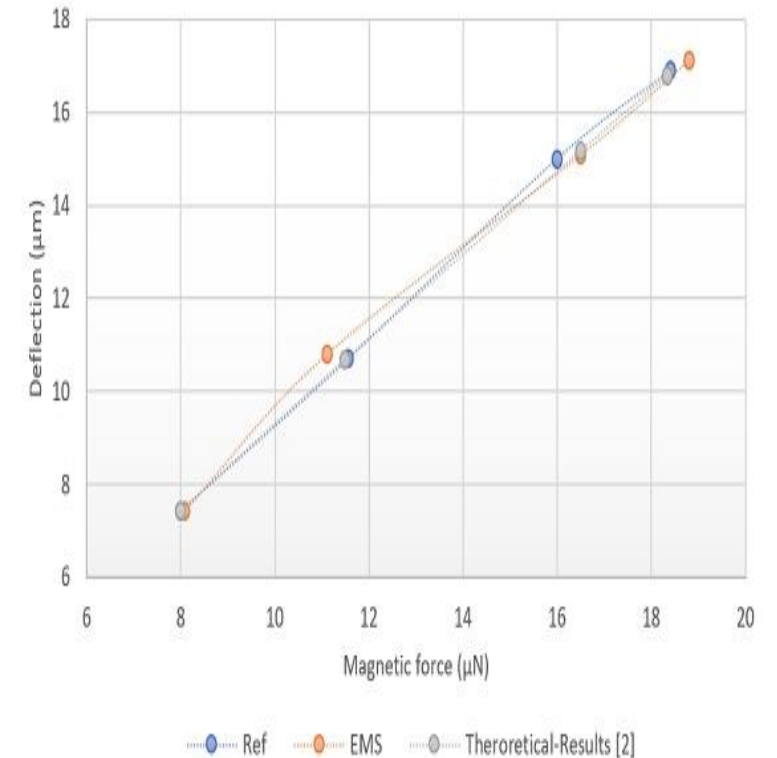
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Force Results versus Current



Displacement Results



Deflection versus Magnetic Force (0.9A)

Conclusion

- EMS was used to study different MEMS devices including electric and magnetic applications
- Electrostatic and magnetic forces were computed by EMS
- Ohmic losses and capacitance results were calculated by EMS
- Temperature variation and structural deformation were estimated versus different situations and scenarios
- EMS results were compared to experimental and analytical results