



Micromechanical Systems for Laser Phonosurgery

A Review : Micro-actuators and Compliant Structures

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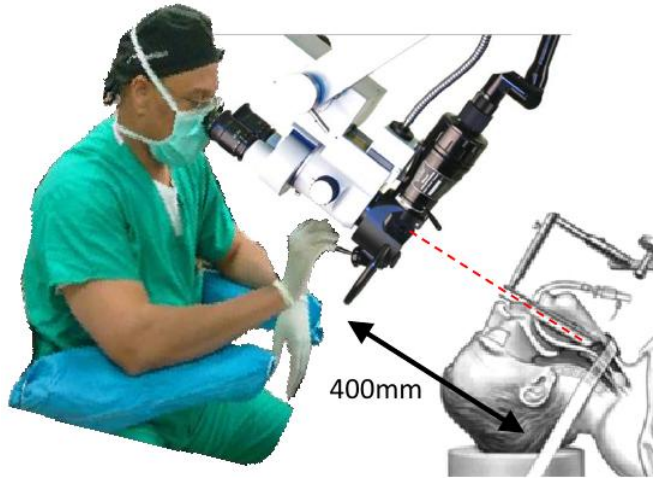
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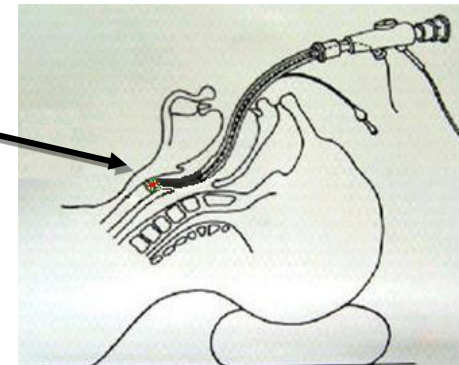
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1. Context



- μ Ralp^{*1} Project objectives:
- ✓ Increased quality of the intervention.
 - ✓ Increased accessibility
 - ✓ More precision

Systems to guide the laser



^{*1} www.microralp.eu

1. Context

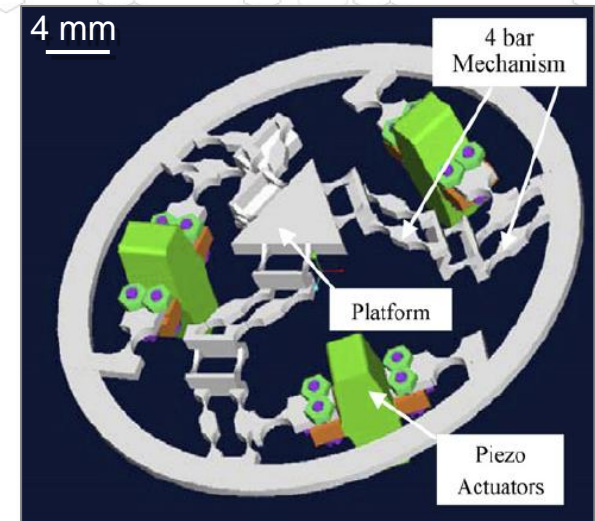
- We need to put the systems that guide the laser inside larynx
- By the reduced space, it is necessary to use micromechanical systems

These are designed in accordance with:

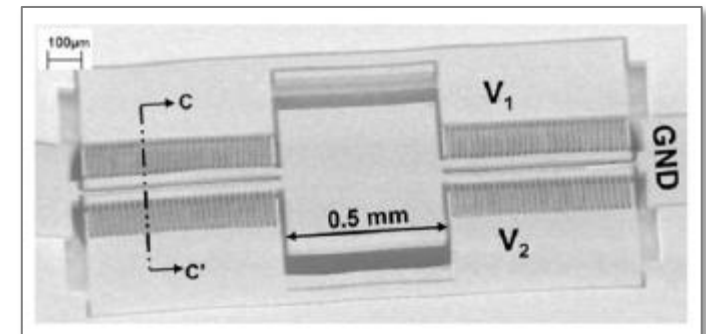
- ❖ Requirements of the task
- ❖ The constraints of the micro world

To build micromechanical systems:

- Micro-actuators
- Compliant structures



Platfond XY- Qing Yao 2008
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign



Micromirror - Milanovic 2004

2. Micro-actuators



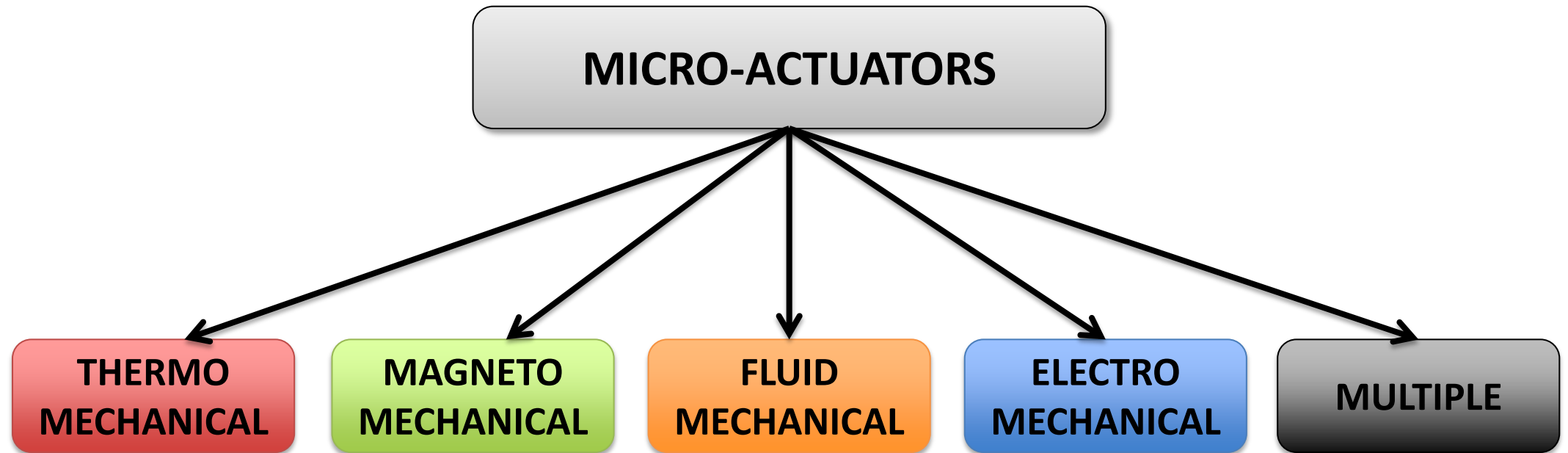
➤ Micro-actuators are vital in generating movements in micromechanical systems

➤ These are selected by evaluating the following functionalities:

- ☐ Input energy
- ☐ Power consumption
- ☐ Amplitude of deformation
- ☐ Micro-actuator dimensions
- ☐ Technology - easy of use
- ☐ Repeatability and Bandwidth
- ☐ Force and torque to be developed
- ☐ Stiffness
- ☐ Cost
- ☐ Biocompatibility

2. Micro-actuators

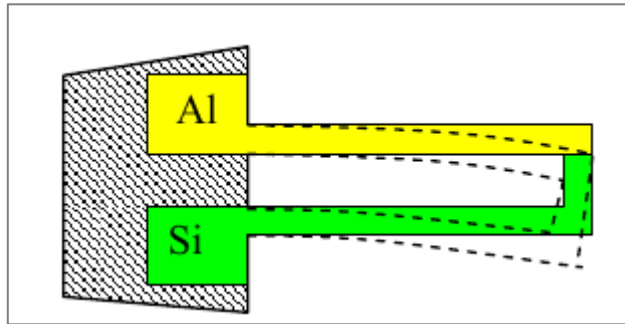
Classification of micro-actuators based on the supplied input energy



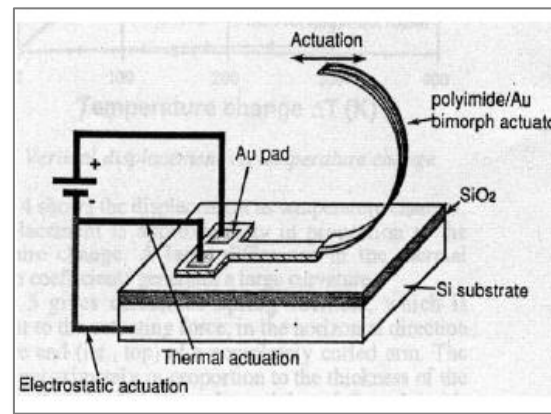
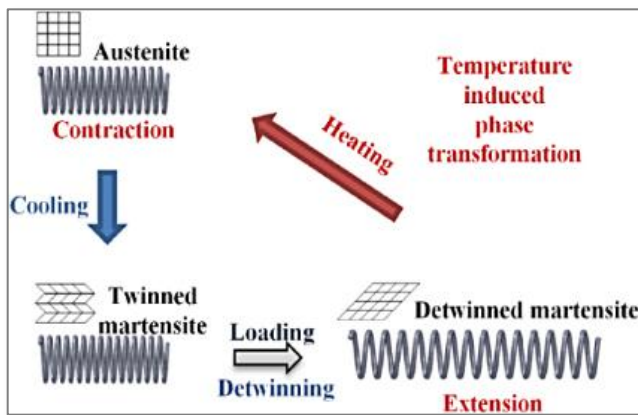
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Thermo-mechanical actuators:

1) Micro-actuators obtained by thermal expansion of a solid (displacement)



2) Shape Memory Alloy Micro-actuators (SMA) (deformation)



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2. Micro-actuators

Magneto-mechanical actuators:

Magneto mechanical

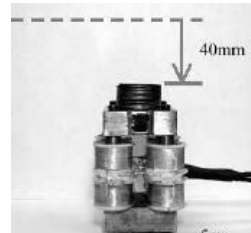
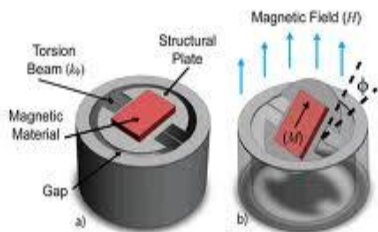
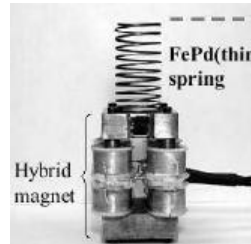
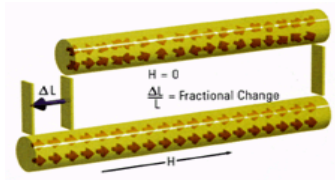
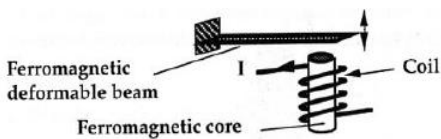
MAGNETIC

MAGNETO STRICTIVE

MAGNETIC SMA

MAGNETIC FLUID

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Displacement

Deformation

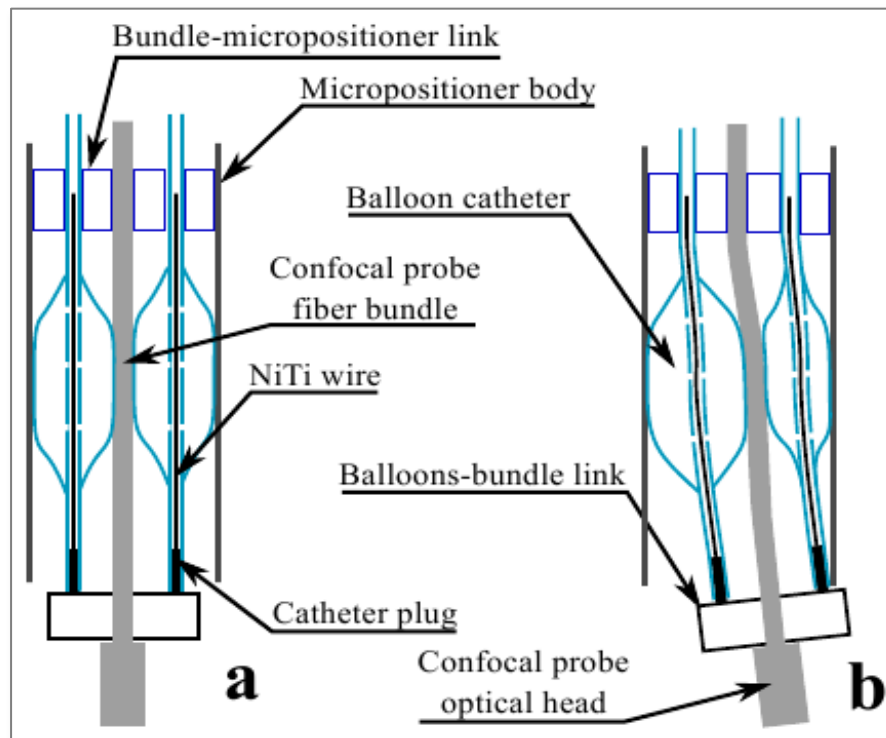
Deformation

Displacement

Image courtesy: Ferrotec

2. Micro-actuators

Fluid-mechanical actuators:



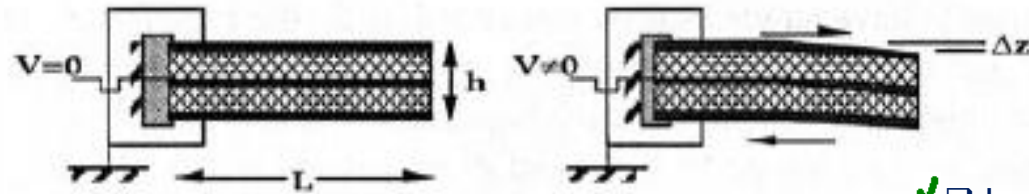
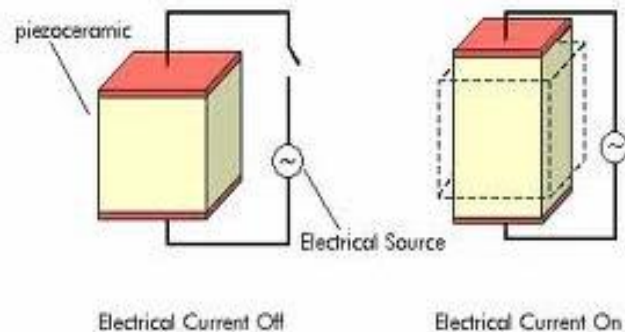
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Rosa et al. Laparoscopic Optical Biopsies: In vivo Robotized Mosaicing with Probe-based Confocal Endomicroscopy -- IROS 2011 pp 1339 - 1345

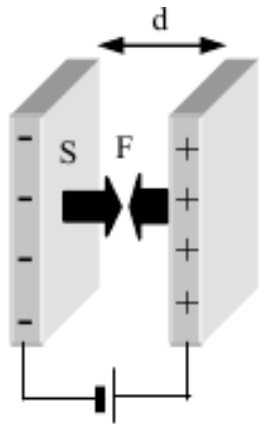
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Electro-mechanical actuators:

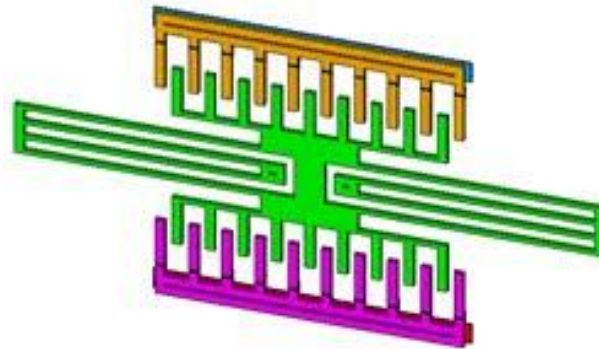
1) Piezoelectric Micro-actuator (Deformation)



2) Electrostatic Micro-actuator (Displacement)



$$F = KV/d^2$$



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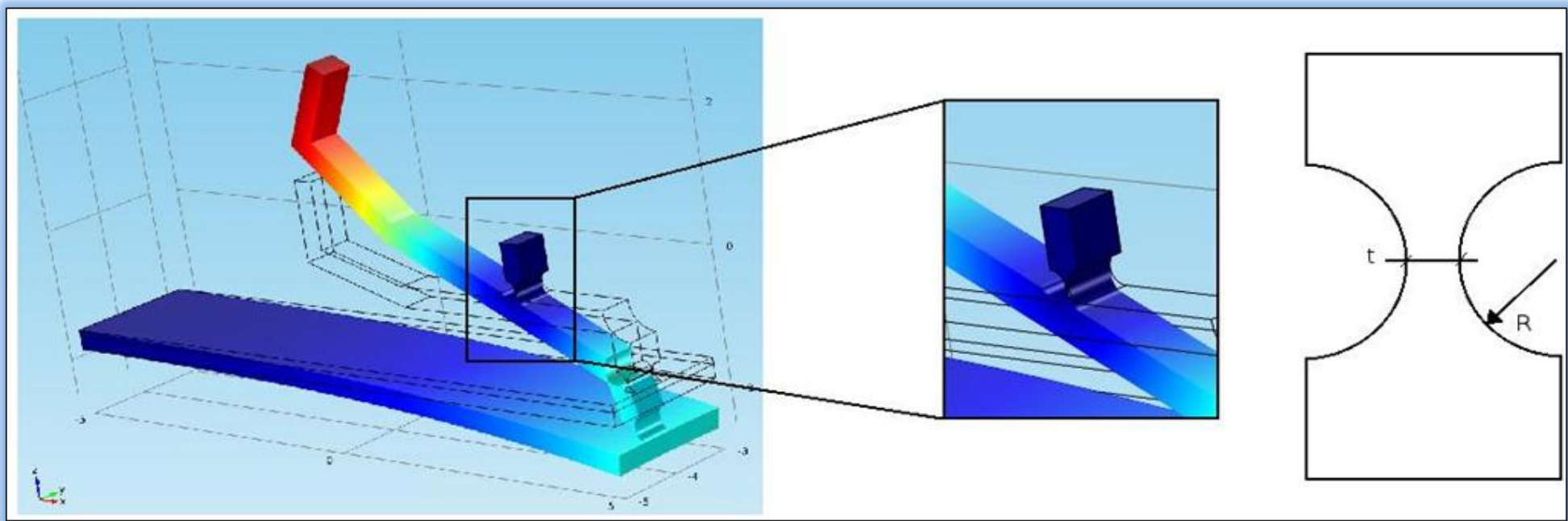
3. Compliant structures



- Micro-actuators are responsible for generating displacements
- Compliant structures are responsible for the transmission of these displacements
- Main proprieties and capabilities:
 - ✓ Frictionless
 - ✓ No lubrication is required
 - ✓ No Backlash due to mechanical clearances
 - ✓ Compatible with micro-scale
 - ✓ Easy to fabricate
 - ✓ almost no maintenance

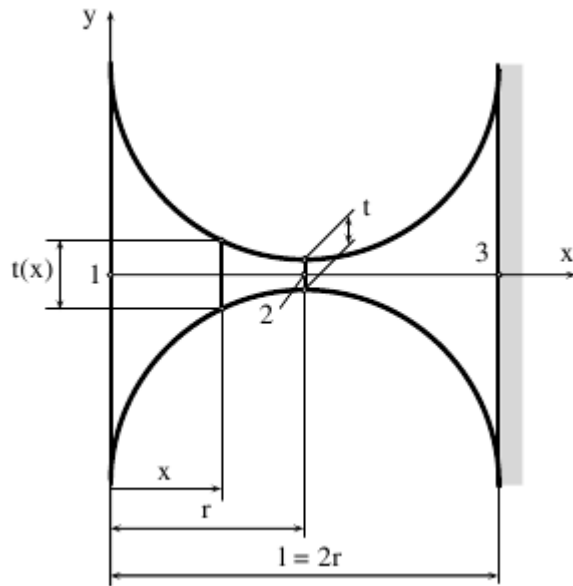
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Flexible hinge - usability:



Simulation using Comsol

3. Compliant structures



$$t(x) = t + 2[r - \sqrt{x(2r - x)}]$$

Hook's law

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \{u_1^{ip}\} \\ \{u_1^{op}\} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [C_1^{ip}] & 0 \\ 0 & [C_1^{op}] \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \{L_1^{ip}\} \\ \{L_1^{op}\} \end{Bmatrix}$$

C matrix → by the Castigliano's second theorem

For SiO₂ (E=70e9 Pa G=0.17) and with loads of 0.05 N

$$t=20 \mu m \quad r=150 \mu m \quad \rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ$$

*1 Lobontiu book: Compliant Mechanisms Design Flexure Hinges

*2 Y. Koseki et al. Kinematic Analysis of translation 3-DOF micro Parallel Mechanism Using Matrix Method – IROS 2000 (pp 786 - 792)

4. Summary



- To build micromechanical systems we need:
 - ✓ Micro-actuators
 - ✓ Compliant Structures
- Piezoelectric micro-actuator has been chosen:
 - ✓ by its functionalities
 - ✓ by background in Femto-st
- Compliant structures are calculated in according to the capacity of the micro fabrication



THANK YOU 😊