

Single Crystal Diamond NEMS Switch

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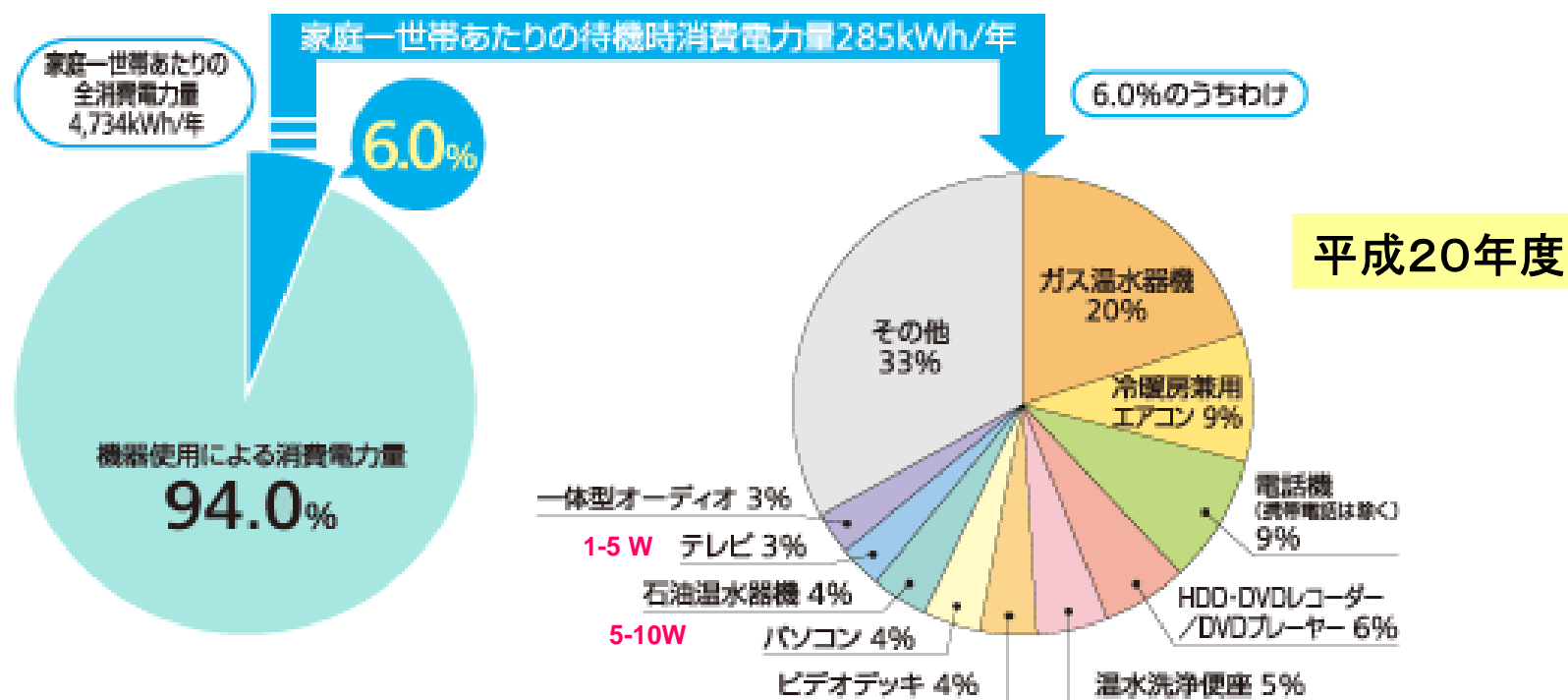
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待機電力消費---半導体スイッチ

機器が非使用状態、若しくは何らかの入力(命令指示)待ちの時に定常的に消費している電力

待機時消費電力量の占める割合

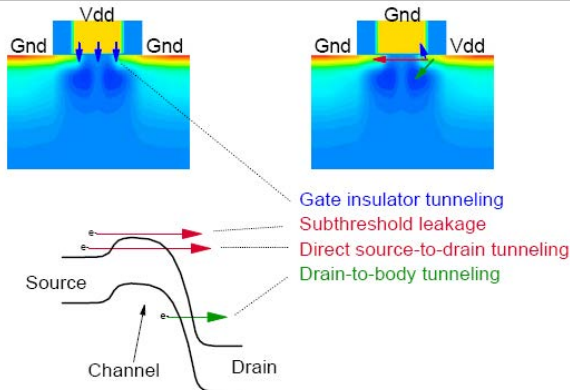


➤ 普段の生活のエネルギー消費を減らす必要！

✓ ナノマシンスイッチ: 省エネルギー技術(ゼロ)として期待。

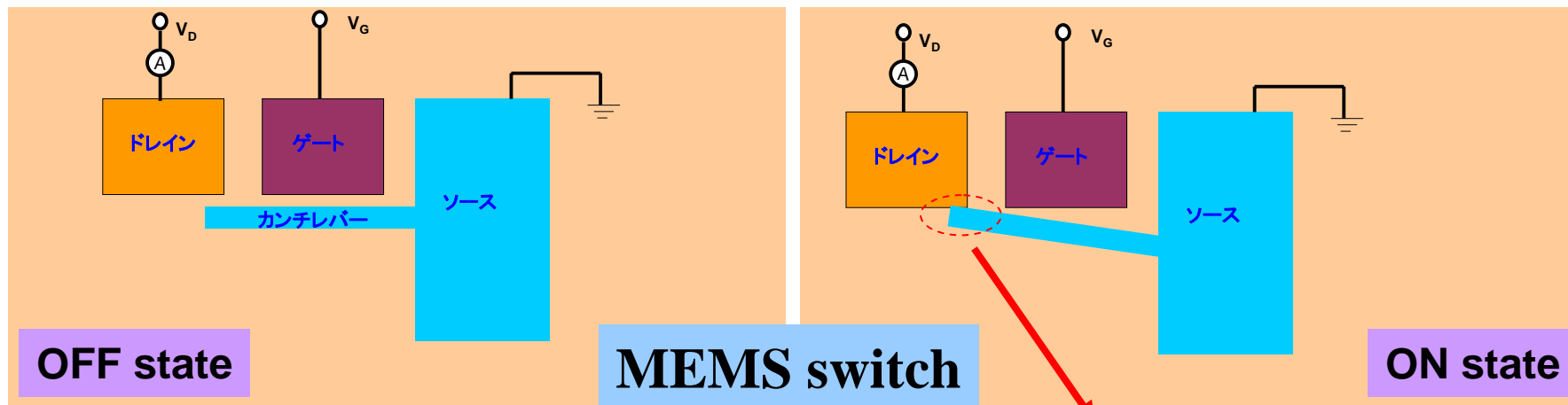
MEMS switch: Merits

Semiconductor devices consume power in OFF state!



Advantages over semiconductor devices

Property	MEMS switch	Semiconductor switch
Leakage	zero	Large
Power loss	~0	>1 μ W
Speed	Slow (10 μ s)	Fast (10ns)
Insertion loss	Small (<0.2dB)	Large (> 1dB)
Isolation	Good (>30dB)	Poor (<25dB)
Linearity	Excellent	Poor
High and low temperatures	Excellent	Poor



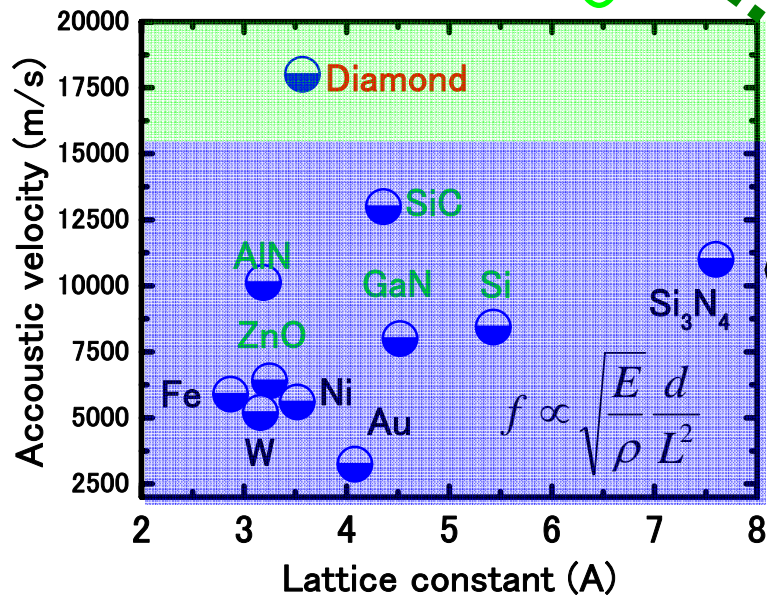
But, poor reliability due to

- (i) Surface stiction
- (ii) Mechanical abrasion

Diamond MEMS: route toward high reliability and high performance

Property	Diamond	SWCNT	Graphene	Si	SiC	AlN
Density (g/cm ³)	3.52	1.3-1.4	>1	2.33	3.21	3.3
Young's modulus (GPa)	1200	~1000	~1000	130	450	100-400
Hardness (GPa)	100	—	—	10	33	11.8
Friction coefficient	<0.05	0.01-2	0.07-0.5	0.4-0.6	0.2-0.5	0.4
Strength (GPa)	5.3	13-55	130	1.0	5.2	0.20
Thermal conductivity(Wcm ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	24	35	10-53	1.5	5	1.75
bandgap (eV)	5.5	0-2	~0	1.1	3.3	6.2
Electron mobility (cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)	4500	100,000	200,000	1450	900	426
Hole mobility(cms ⁻¹)	3800	4,000	>100,000	480	120	14
Breakdown field (MVcm ⁻¹)	10	—	—	0.3	3.5	1.5
Dielectric constant	5.5	—	—	11.8	9.7	8.9

**Current MEMS:
intrinsic
limitations !!**



Merits

- The highest Young's modulus
- The lowest friction coefficient
- Hydrophobic surface
- Highest thermal conductivity
- Tunable electrical conductivity

The best material

Challenges and Strategies in Diamond MEMS

What process....?

What device concept.....?

Difficulties

- ❖ **Batch fabrication of single crystal diamond MEMS structures.**
- ❖ **Lack of device concepts compatible with the fabrication process.**

Aims

- **Establish unique process for diamond MEMS structures.**
- **Develop high-performance diamond MEMS/NEMS devices.**
- **Create novel device concepts.**

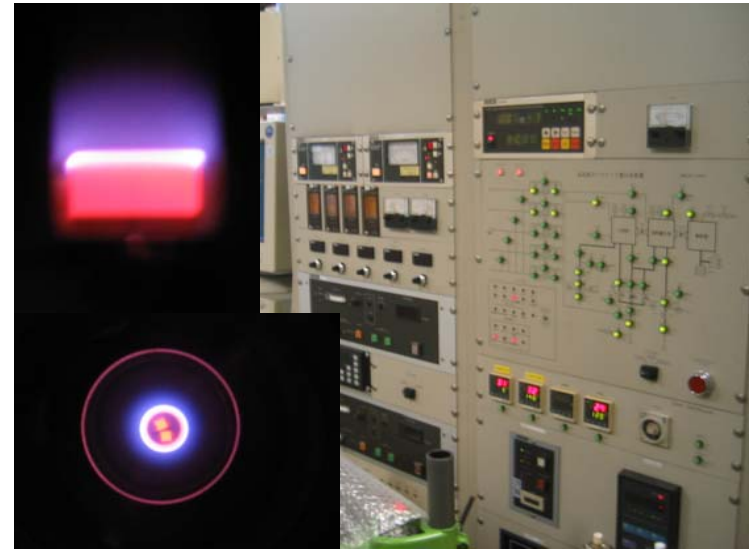
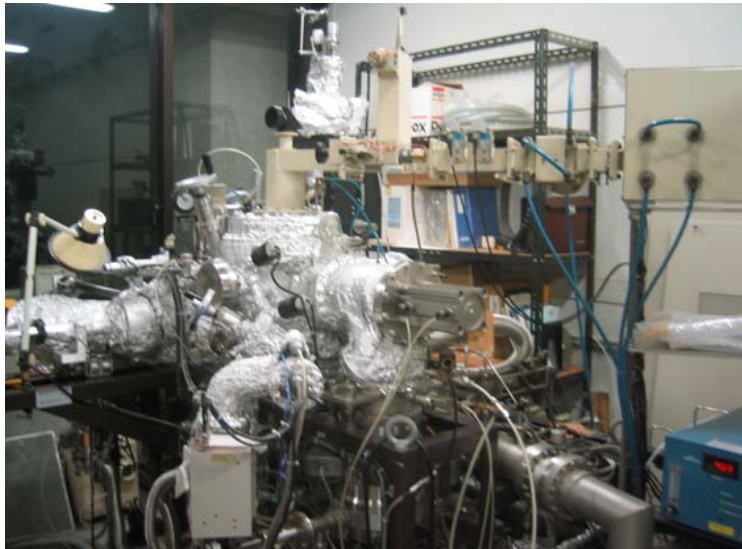
Strategies

- **No direct deposition of diamond on sacrificial layers.**
- **Diamond-on-Diamond lateral device concept.**

Diamond growth



MPCVD



Parameters:

Gas: H_2 (500 sccm), CH_4 (0.4 sccm)

RF Power: 400 W

Pressure: 80 Torr

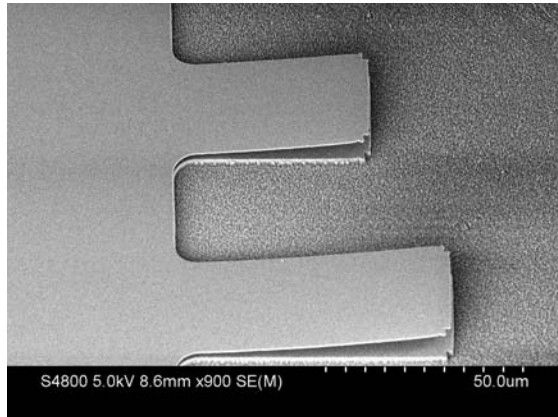
Sub. Tem: 900-950°C

[B]: 1000 ppm 10^{20}cm^{-3}

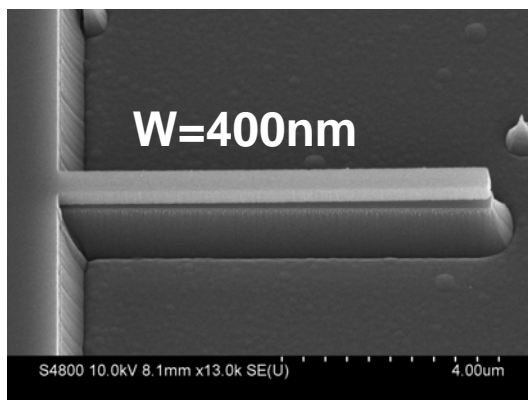
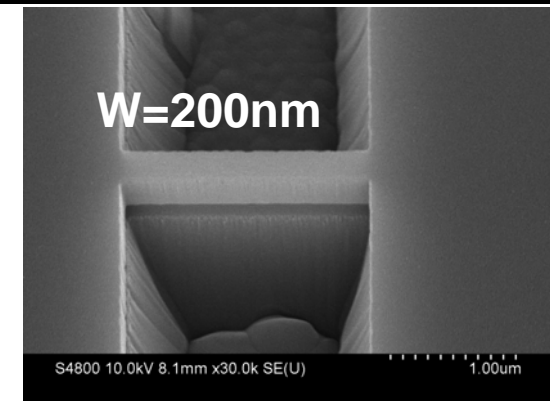
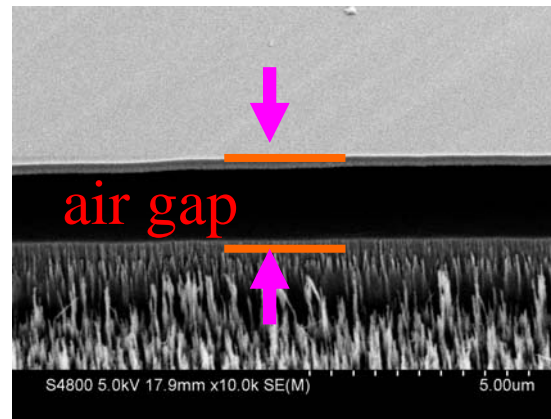
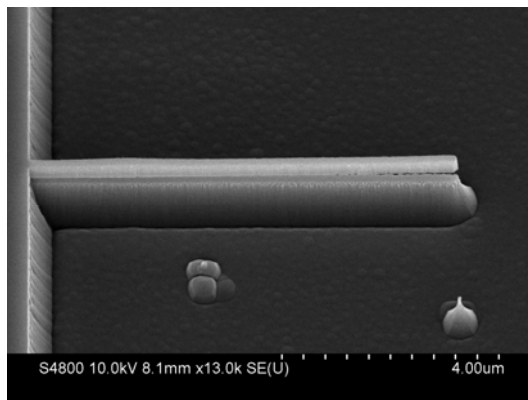
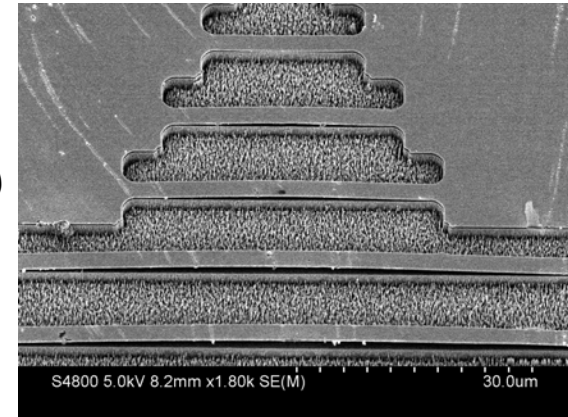
Substrate: Ib (100)---100 ppm nitrogen

Thickness: 0.1-0.5 μm

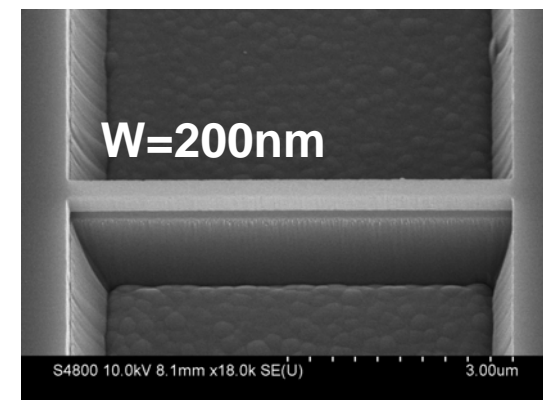
Batch production of micro-scale M/NEMS structures



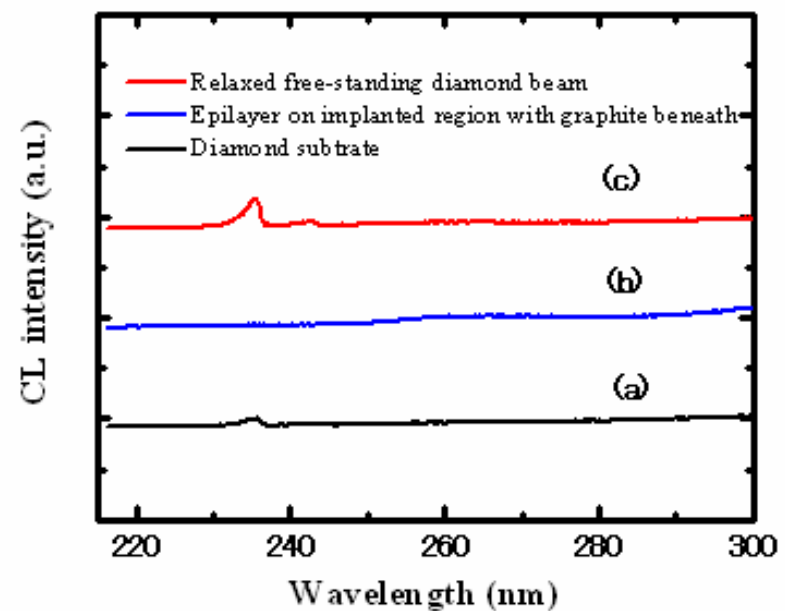
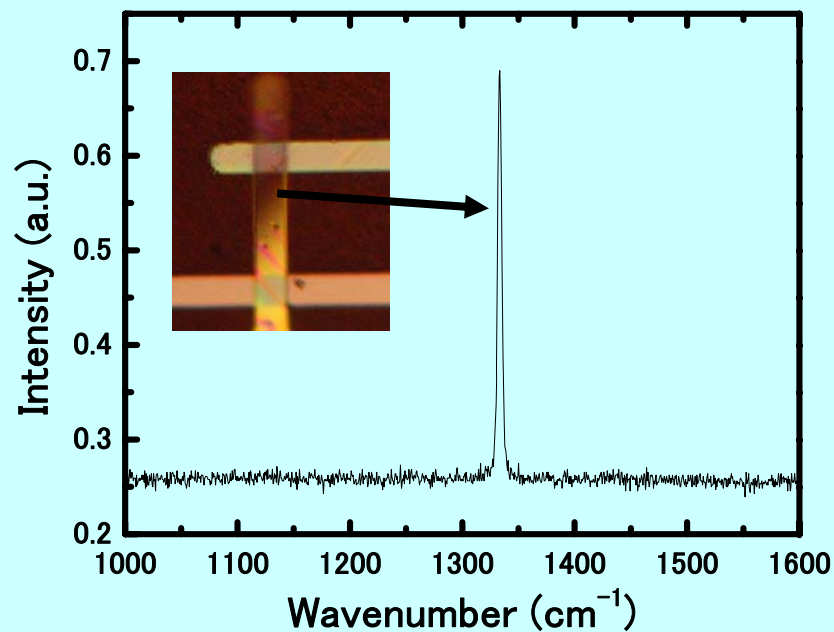
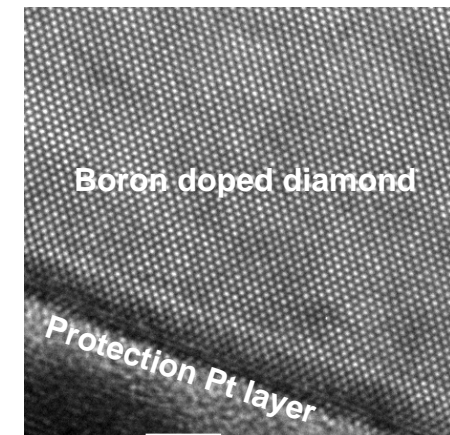
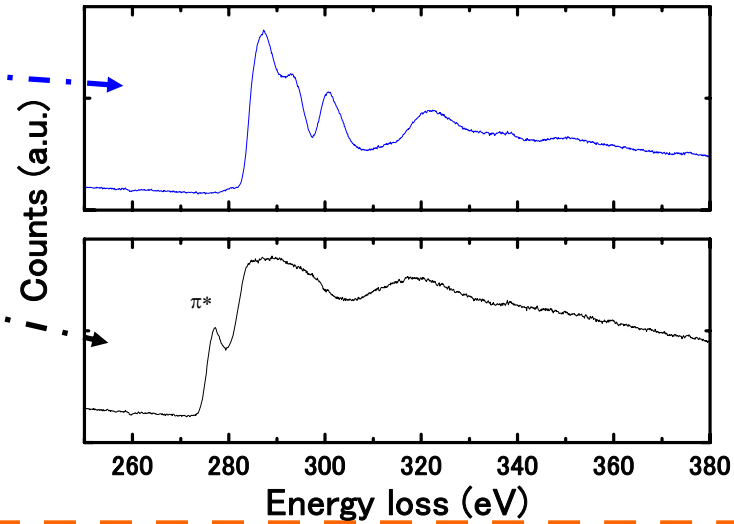
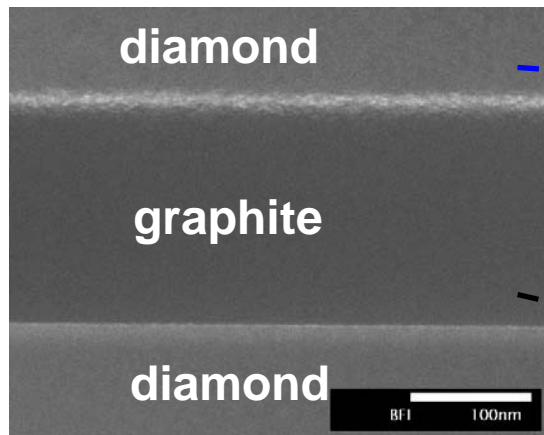
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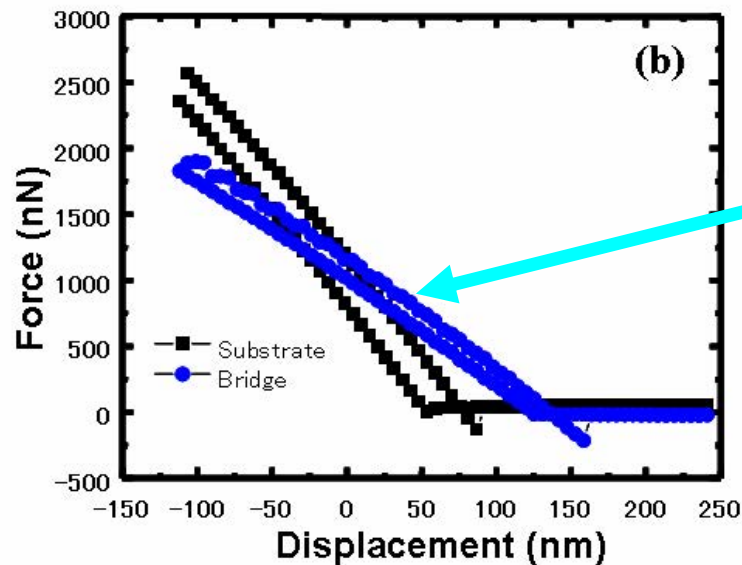
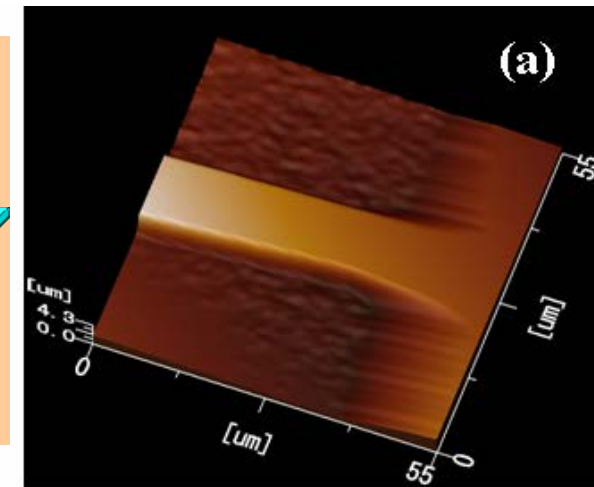
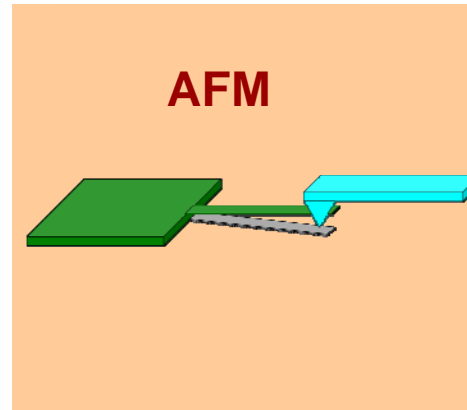
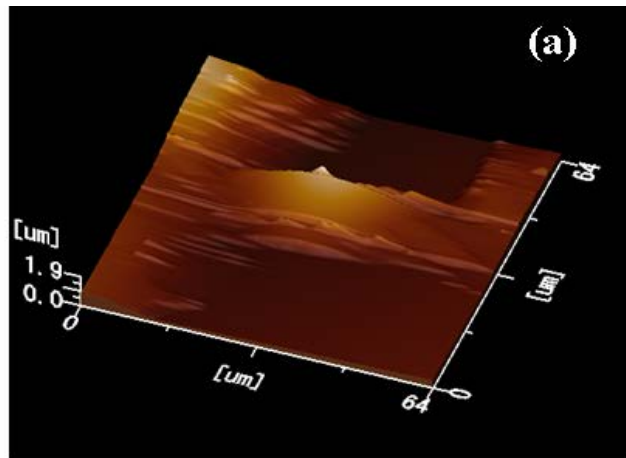
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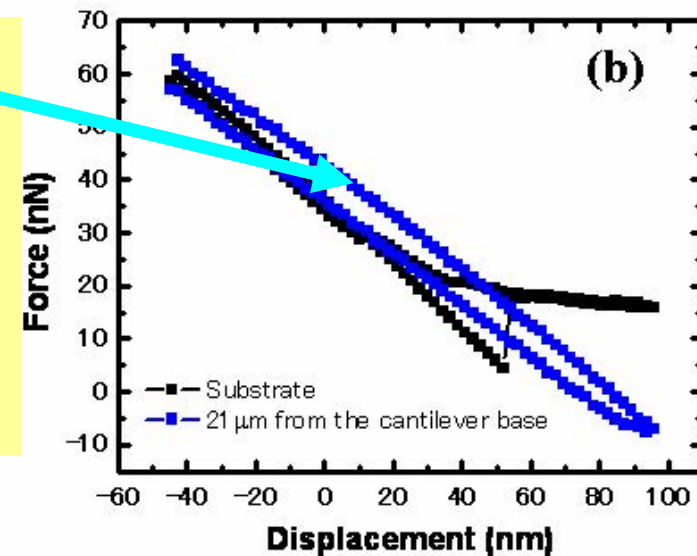
Quality of the MEMS/NEMS structure



Nanoindentation of MEMS structures

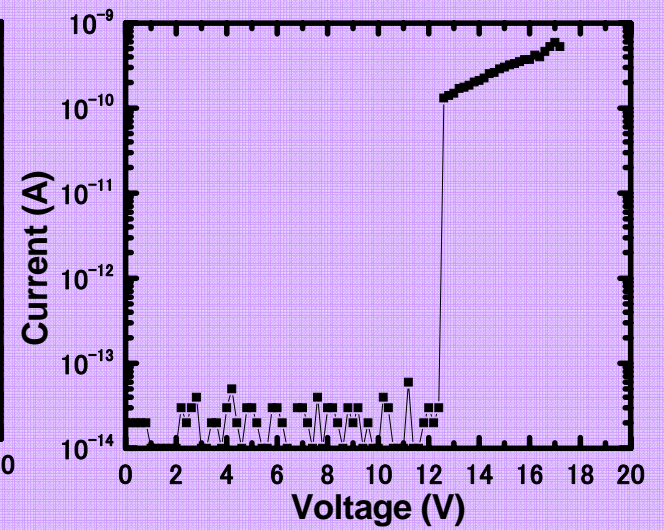
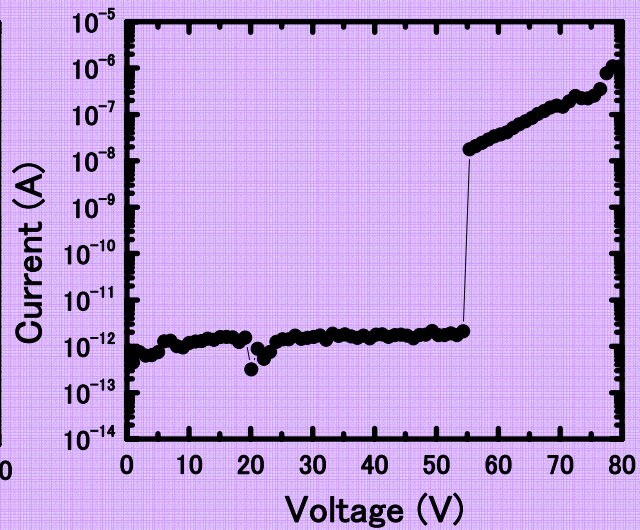
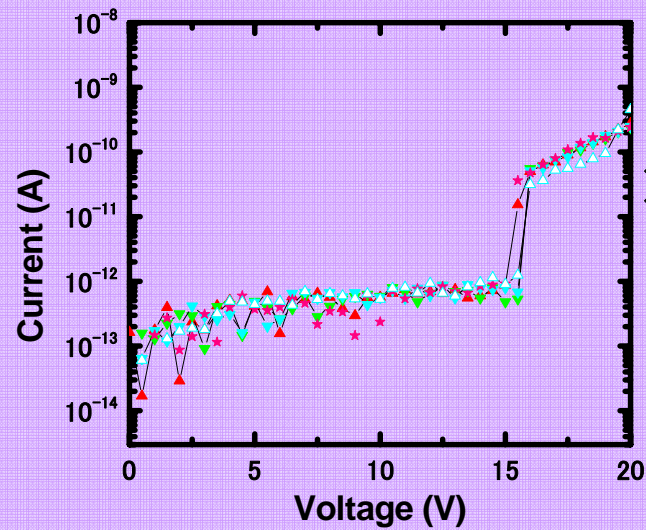
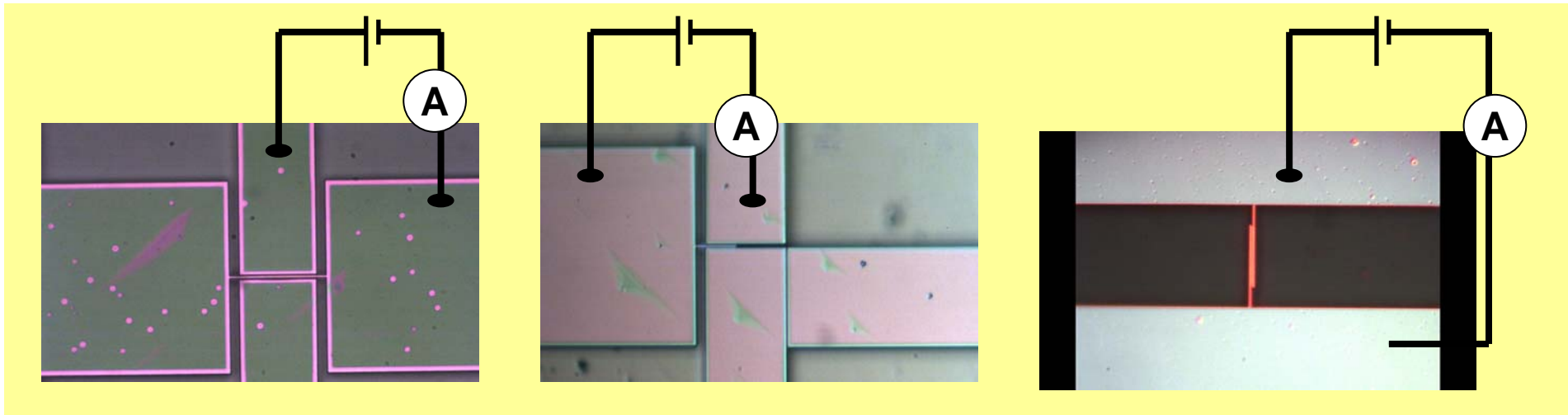


$$\frac{1}{k_{m-x}} = \frac{1}{k_{si}} + \frac{1}{k_{dia-x}}$$

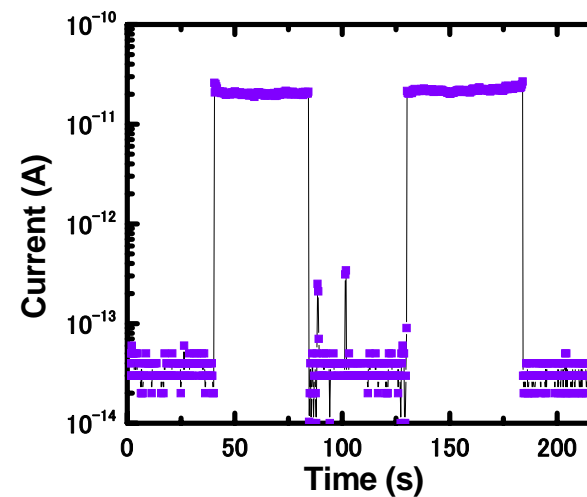
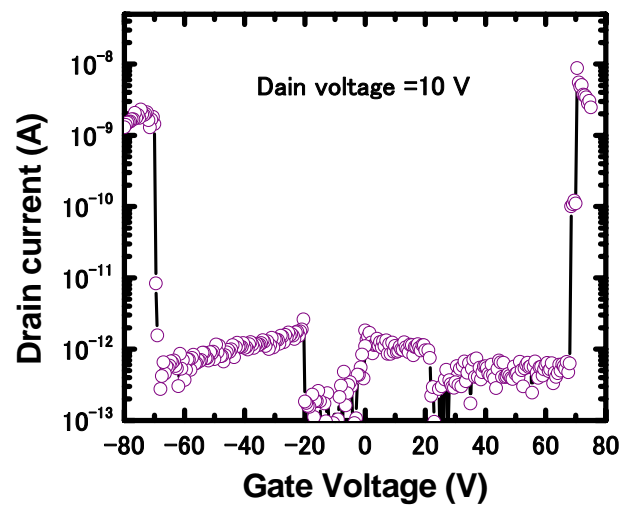
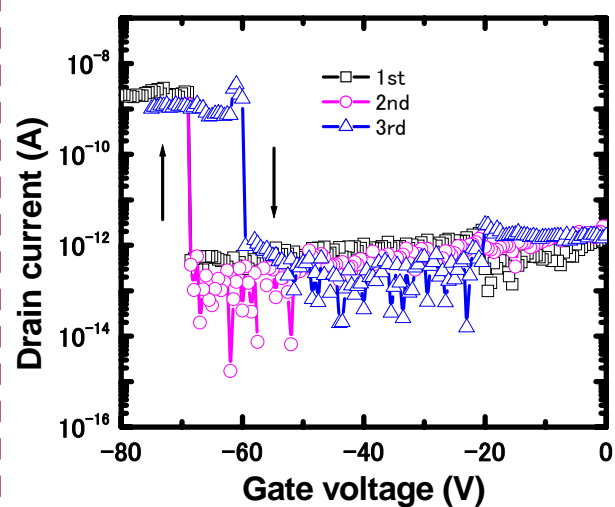
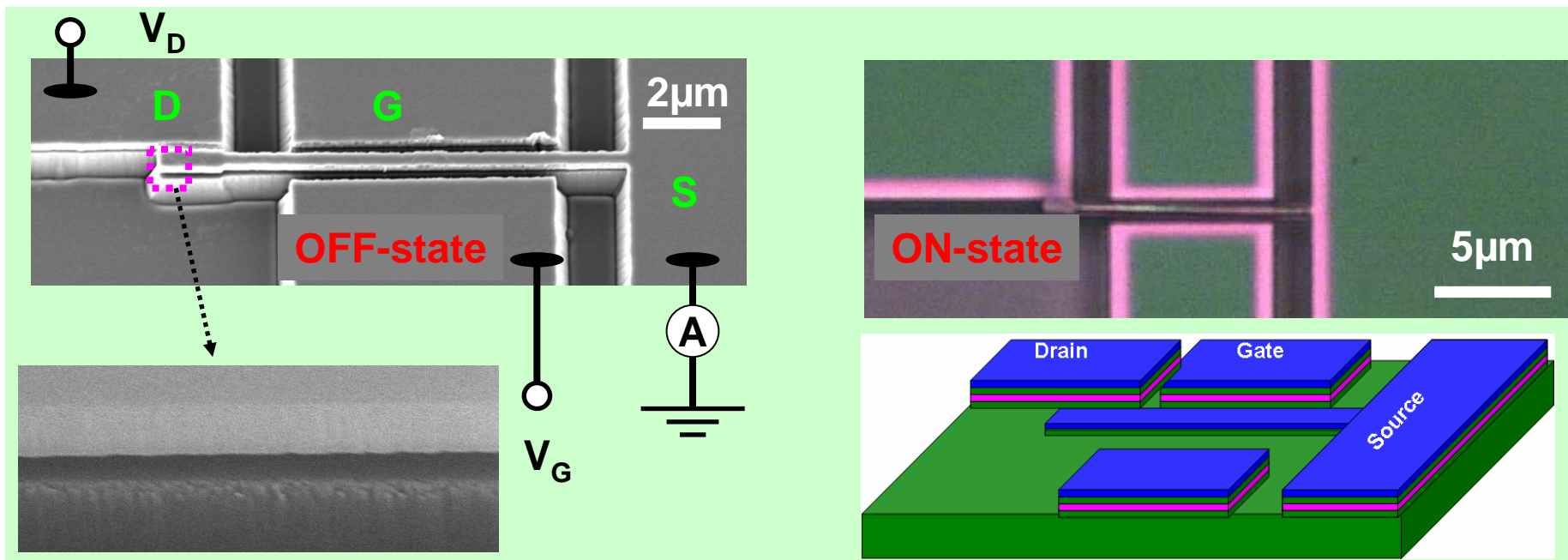


Young's modulus: 800 ± 200 GPa (Calibrated by Si cantilever)

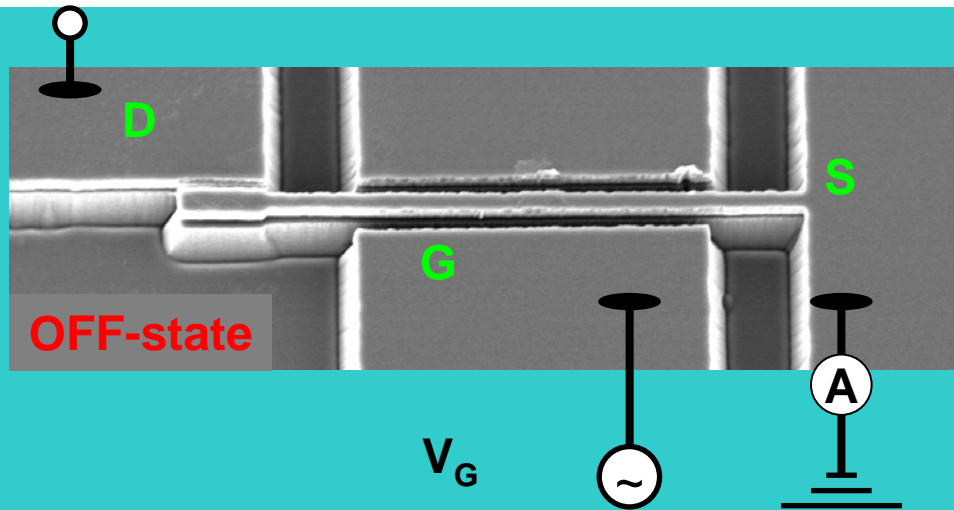
Nanoelectromechanical switch: 2-terminal



Nanoelectromechanical switch: 3-terminal

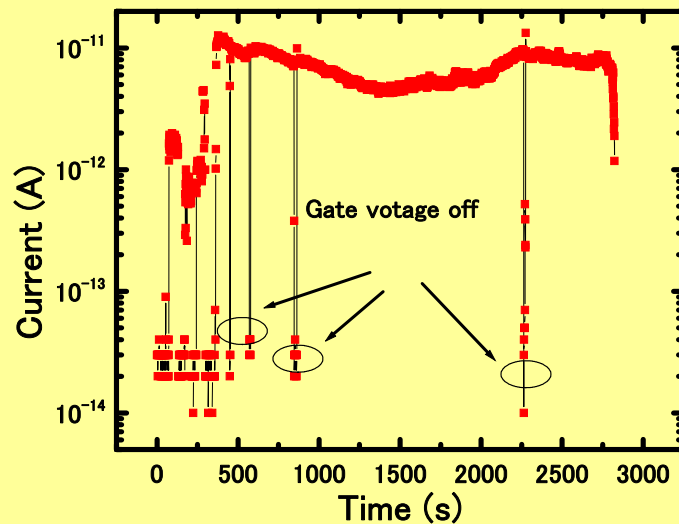


3-T NEMS switch: Reliability

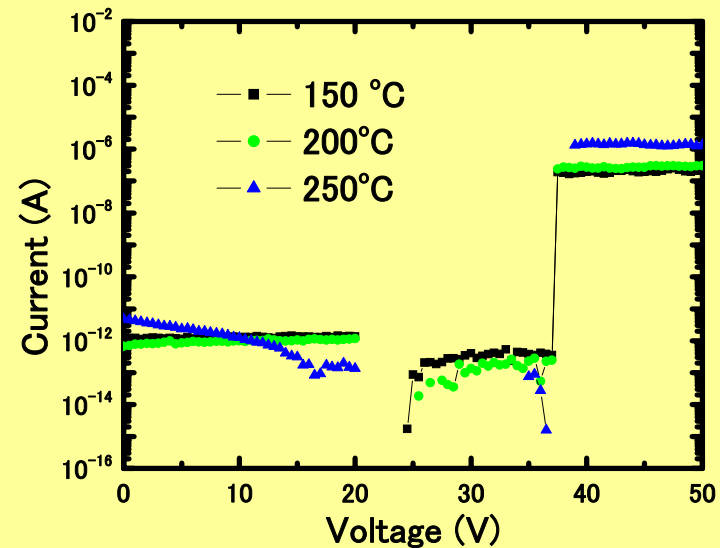


10^5 switching cycles

100Hz AC V_G



High temperature operation



Modeling and simulation of NEMS switch

$$-\nabla \cdot (\epsilon \nabla V) = 0$$

Potential in the air around the beam

$$F_{es} = -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D}) \mathbf{n} + (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{E}) \mathbf{D}^T$$

F_{es} : Electrostatic force density of the beam
 \mathbf{E} : electric field, \mathbf{D} : displacement vector

$$V_{\text{pull-in}} = \sqrt{\frac{4c_1 B}{\epsilon_0 L^4 c_2^2 (1 + c_3 \frac{g}{W})}}$$

Pull-in voltage: defined as the beam contact to the gate.
 L : length, W : width, t : thickness

$$B = E_0 t^3 g^3$$

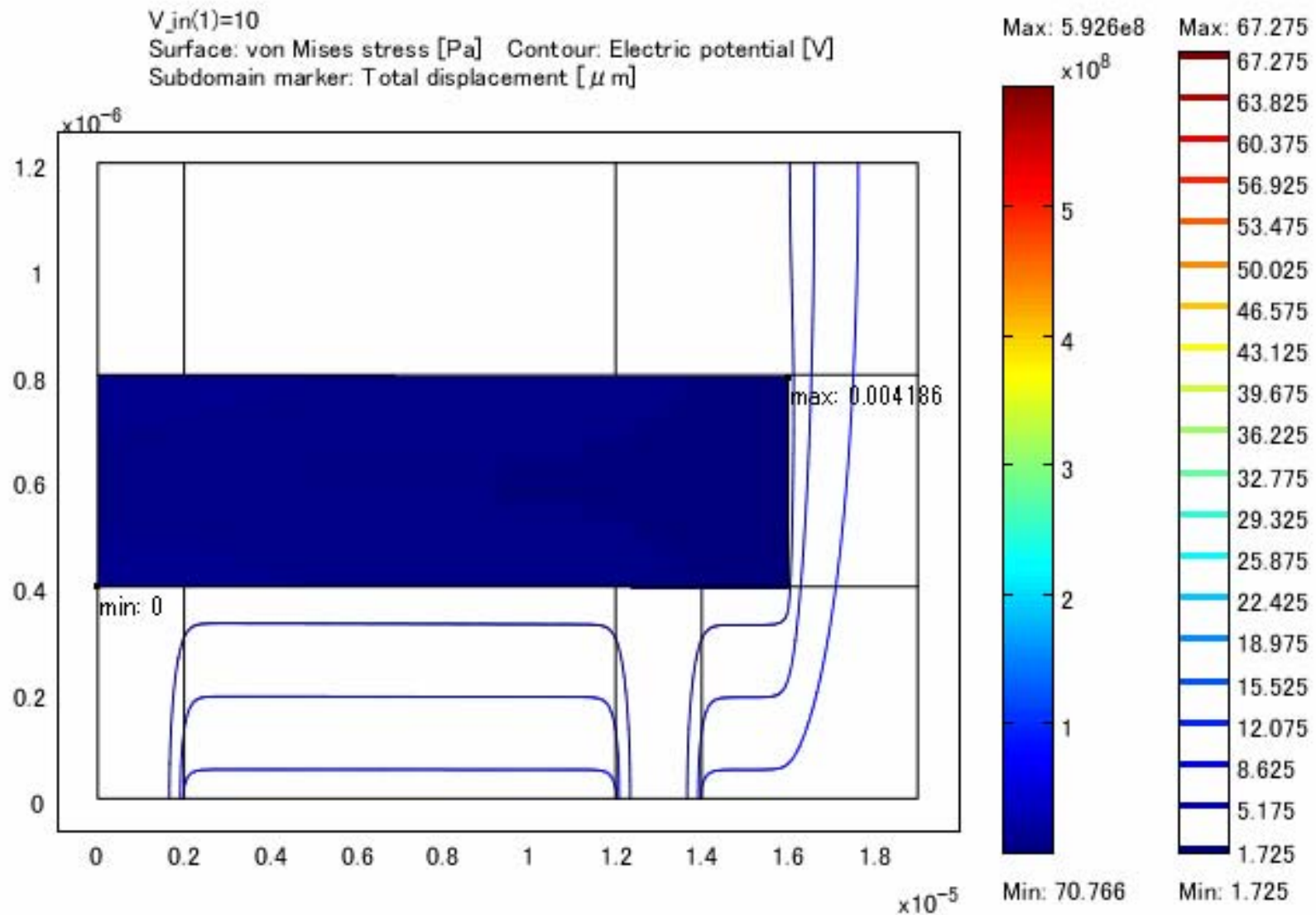


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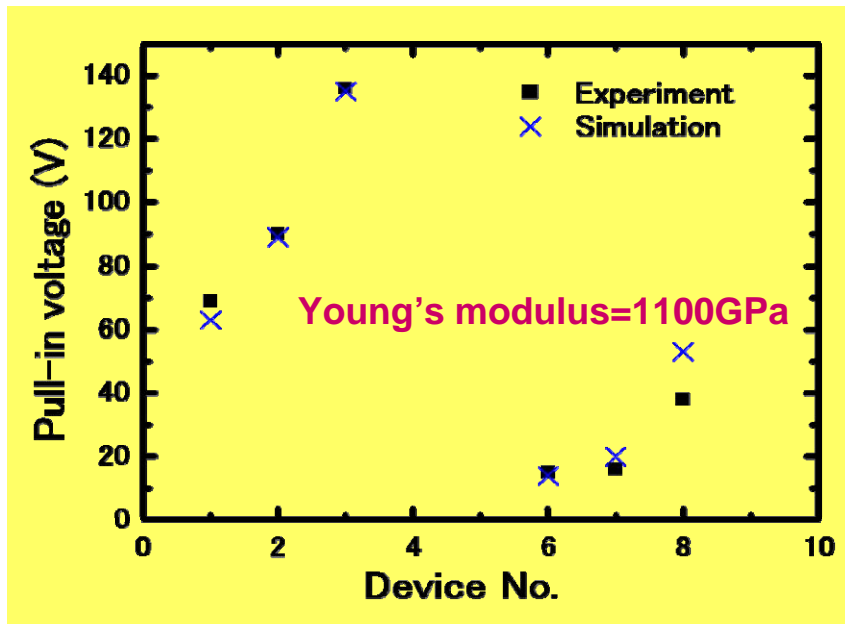
Gate

Drain

Modeling and simulation of NEMS switch

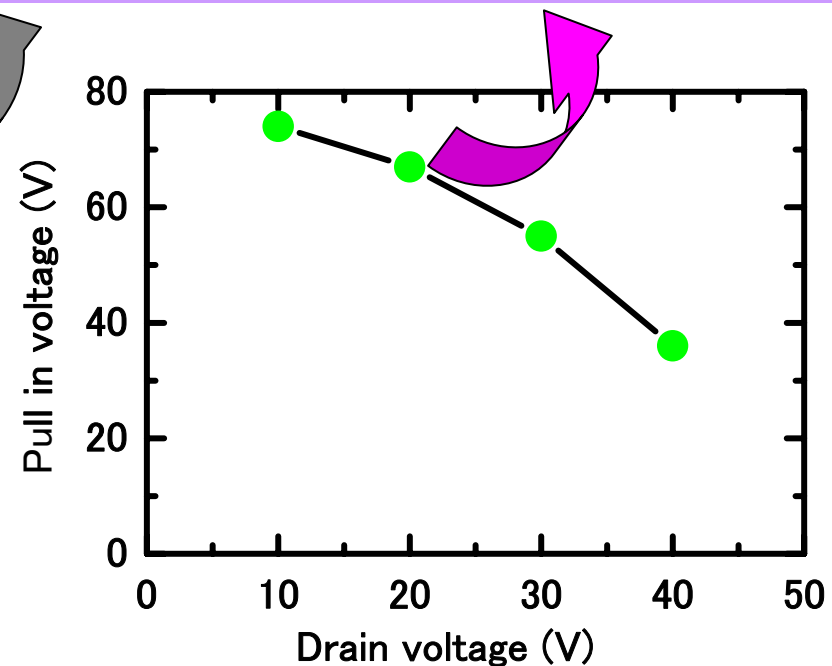
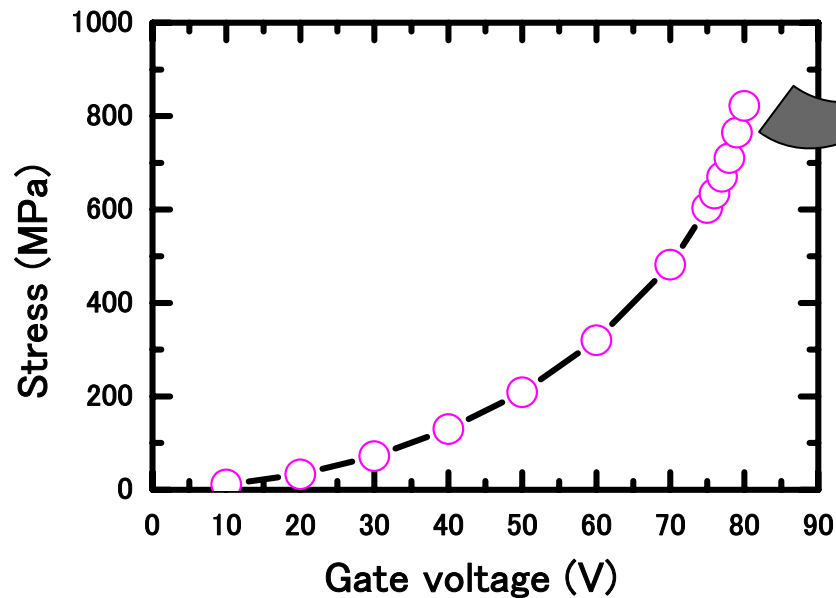


Comparison between experiment and simulation:



- High Young's Modulus
- Good reproducibility
- Consistence between experiment and simulation

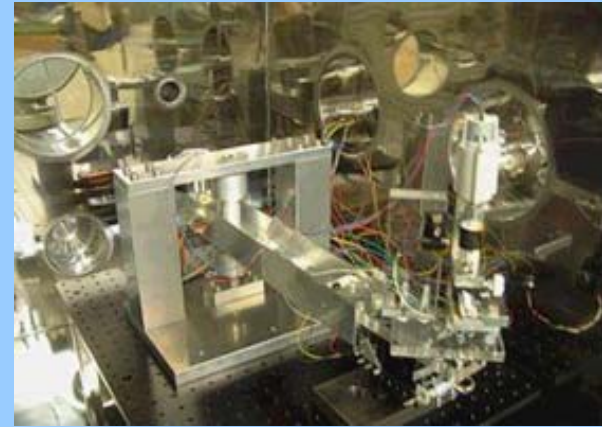
- Joint stress much lower than fracture strength
- Drain voltage affecting pull-in voltage



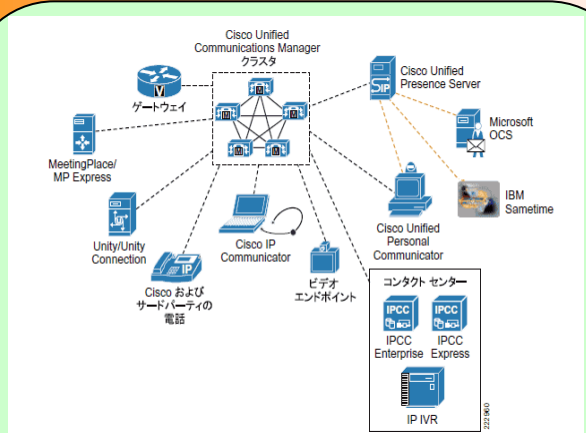
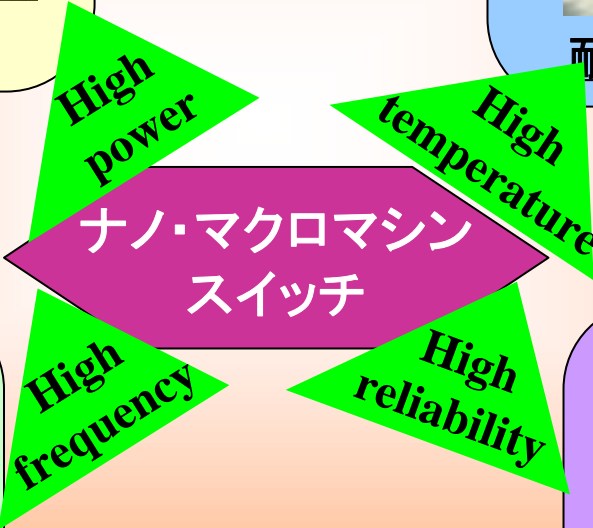
Applications of diamond M/NEMS Switch: H⁴



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メモリ

Summary

For the first time

- **Single-crystal diamond NEMS switch was fabricated.**
- **Batch production of SCD MEMS/NEMS structures were developed.**

- **The diamond NEMS switches exhibit high performance.**
 - (1) High controllability .**
 - (2) High reproducibility.**
 - (3) Good reliability.**

- **Modeling and simulation were made and were consistent with experiments**