

# Semiconductor Sensors:

## Ch4: Capacitive sensors-

### Piezoelectric Effect

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## خاصیت پیزوالکتریک و معکوس آن

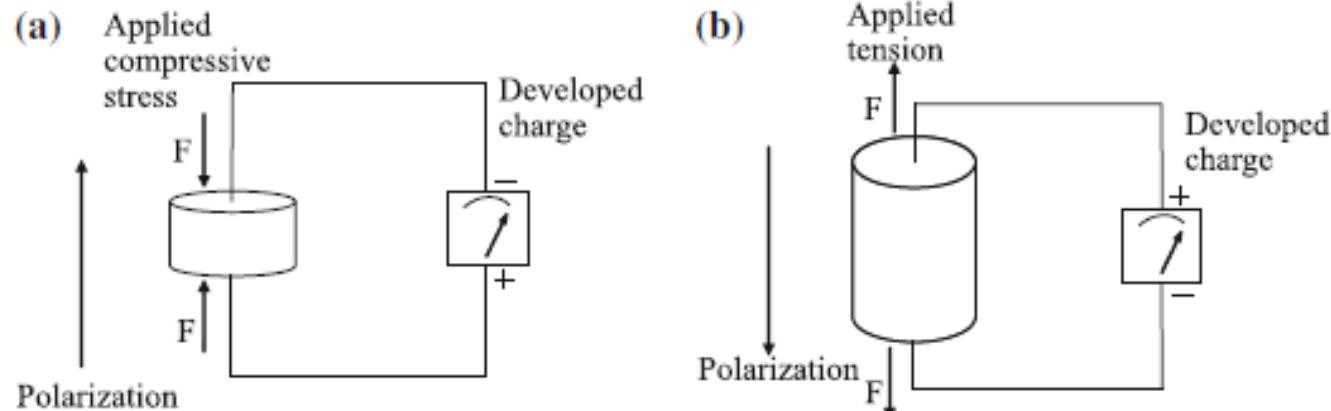


Fig. 2.1 Direct piezo-effect: a at applied compressive stress, b at applied tension

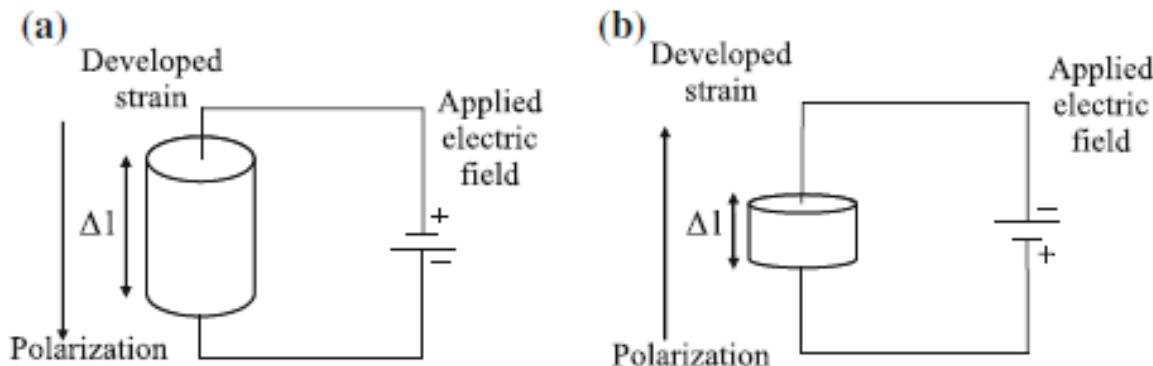
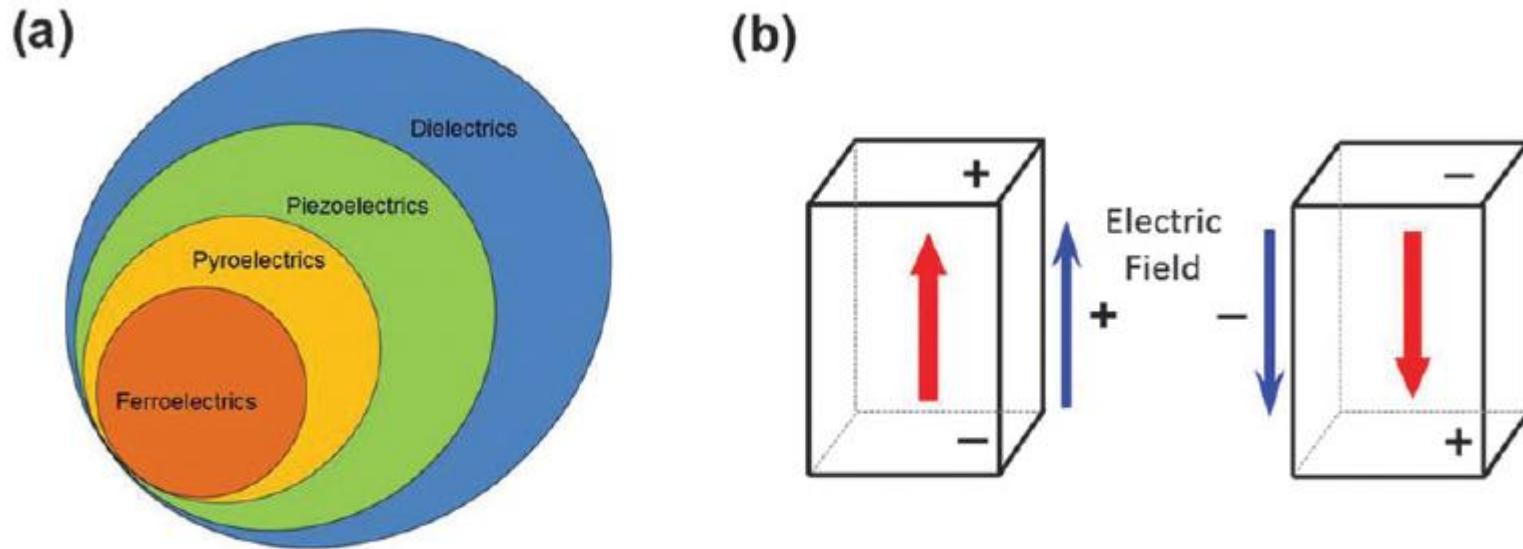
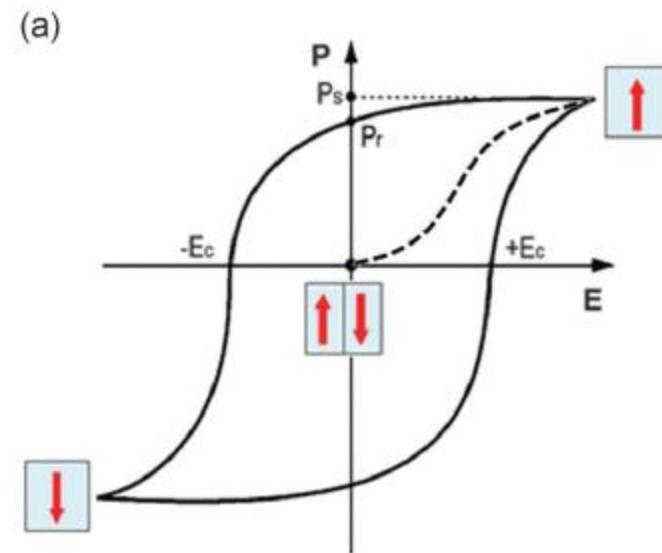
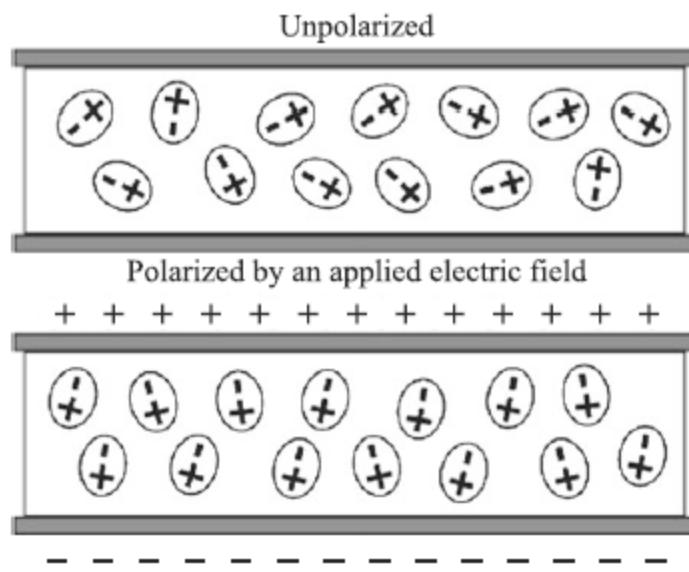


Fig. 2.2 Inverse piezo-effect at applied electric field



**Fig. 1** (a) The relationships among dielectric, piezoelectric, pyroelectric and ferroelectric materials; (b) bipolar state of ferroelectrics that can be switched by external electric field.

# مشخصه هیسترزیسی مواد با دوقطبی الکتریکی



## • خاصیت پیزوالکتریک ترکیب رفتارهای الکتریکی و الاستیکی ماده است:

- The linear electrical behavior of the material:

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} \implies D_i = \epsilon_{ij} E_j$$

where  $D$  is the electric charge density displacement (electric displacement),  $\epsilon$  is permittivity (free-body dielectric constant),  $E$  is electric field strength, and  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = 0$ ,  $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$ .

- Hooke's Law for linear elastic materials:

$$\mathbf{S} = s \mathbf{T} \implies S_{ij} = s_{ijkl} T_{kl}$$

where  $S$  is strain,  $s$  is compliance under short-circuit conditions,  $T$  is stress

These may be combined into so-called **coupled equations**, of which the strain-charge form is:

$$\mathbf{S} = s \mathbf{T} + d^t \mathbf{E} \implies S_{ij} = s_{ijkl} T_{kl} + d_{kij} E_k$$

$$\mathbf{D} = d \mathbf{T} + \epsilon \mathbf{E} \implies D_i = d_{ijk} T_{jk} + \epsilon_{ij} E_j.$$

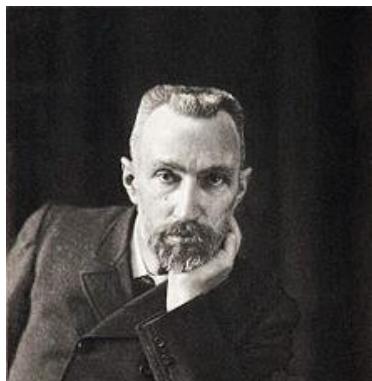
In matrix form,

$$\{S\} = [s^E] \{T\} + [d^t] \{E\}$$

$$\{D\} = [d] \{T\} + [\epsilon^T] \{E\},$$

where  $[d]$  is the matrix for the direct piezoelectric effect and  $[d^t]$  is the matrix for the converse piezoelectric effect. The superscript  $E$  indicates a zero, or constant, electric field; the superscript  $T$  indicates a zero, or constant, stress field; and the superscript  $t$  stands for transposition of a matrix.

# تاریخچه پیزوالکتریک



Pierre Curie, c. 1906



Pierre and [Marie Skłodowska-Curie](#), 1895



Piezoelectric balance presented by [Pierre Curie](#) to [Lord Kelvin](#), Hunterian Museum, Glasgow

- 1880
  - Piezoelectric effect discovered: Brothers Pierre & Jacques Curie
- 1900s
  - First hydrothermal growth of quartz in laboratory
- 1910s
  - First application of piezoelectricity, in sonar (Rochelle salt)
  - First quartz crystal oscillator, filter

## Piezoelectric materials (PEMs) :

### 1- Natural PEM

Quartz ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ), Rochelle salt, Topaz, Tourmaline-group minerals and some organic substances as silk, wood, enamel, dentin, bone, hair, rubber.

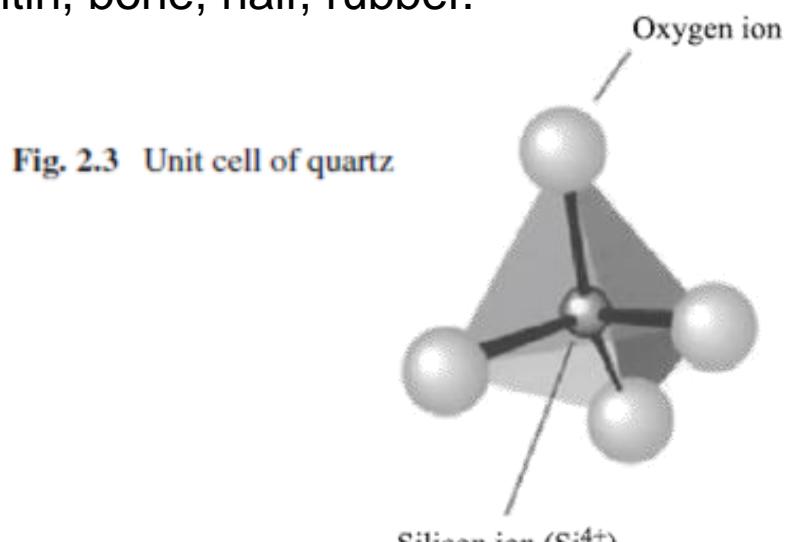


Fig. 2.3 Unit cell of quartz

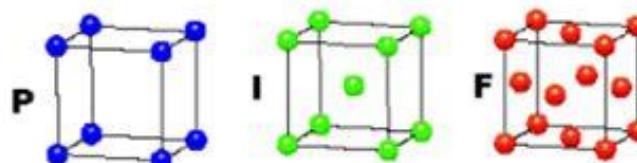
### 2- Man-made PEM:

There are 32 crystal classes . Only 20 of the 32 classes allow piezoelectric properties. Ten of these classes are polar with their unit cell. The remaining 10 classes are not polar, i.e. polarization appears only after applying a mechanical load.

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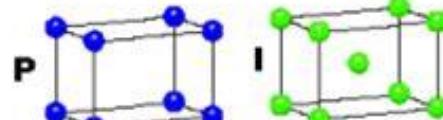
## CUBIC

$a = b = c$   
 $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$



## TETRAGONAL

$a = b \neq c$   
 $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$



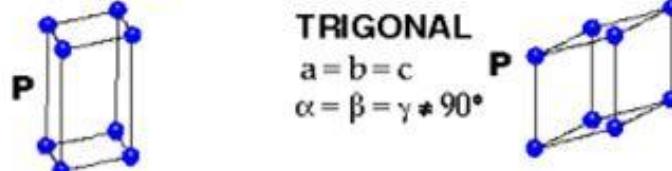
## ORTORHOMBIC

$a \neq b \neq c$   
 $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$



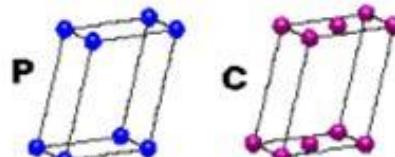
## HEXAGONAL

$a = b \neq c$   
 $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$   
 $\gamma = 120^\circ$



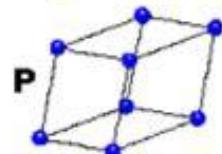
## MONOCLINIC

$a \neq b \neq c$   
 $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$   
 $\beta \neq 120^\circ$



## TRICLINIC

$a \neq b \neq c$   
 $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma \neq 90^\circ$



### 4 Types of Unit Cell

P = Primitive  
 I = Body-Centred  
 F = Face-Centred  
 C = Side-Centred

+  
 7 Crystal Classes  
 → 14 Bravais Lattices

- Piezoelectric Materials
  - Naturally-occurring crystals
    - Quartz, tourmaline, sodium potassium tartarate, Rochelle salt, etc.
  - Ceramics
    - Sintered form of finely ground powdered mixture made of ferroelectrics of the oxygen-octahedral type
    - PZT :  $\text{Pb}(\text{Zr}, \text{Ti})\text{O}_3$
    - PT :  $\text{PbTiO}_3$
    - PLZT :  $(\text{Pb}, \text{La})(\text{Zr}, \text{Ti})\text{O}_3$
  - Polymers
    - PVDF : polyvinylidene fluoride

\*Source: Gautschi, 2002

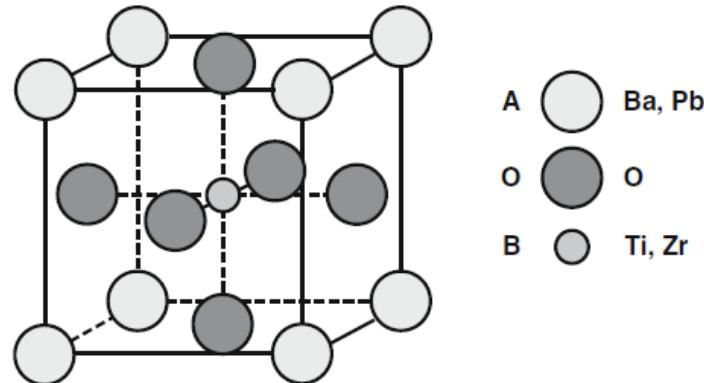
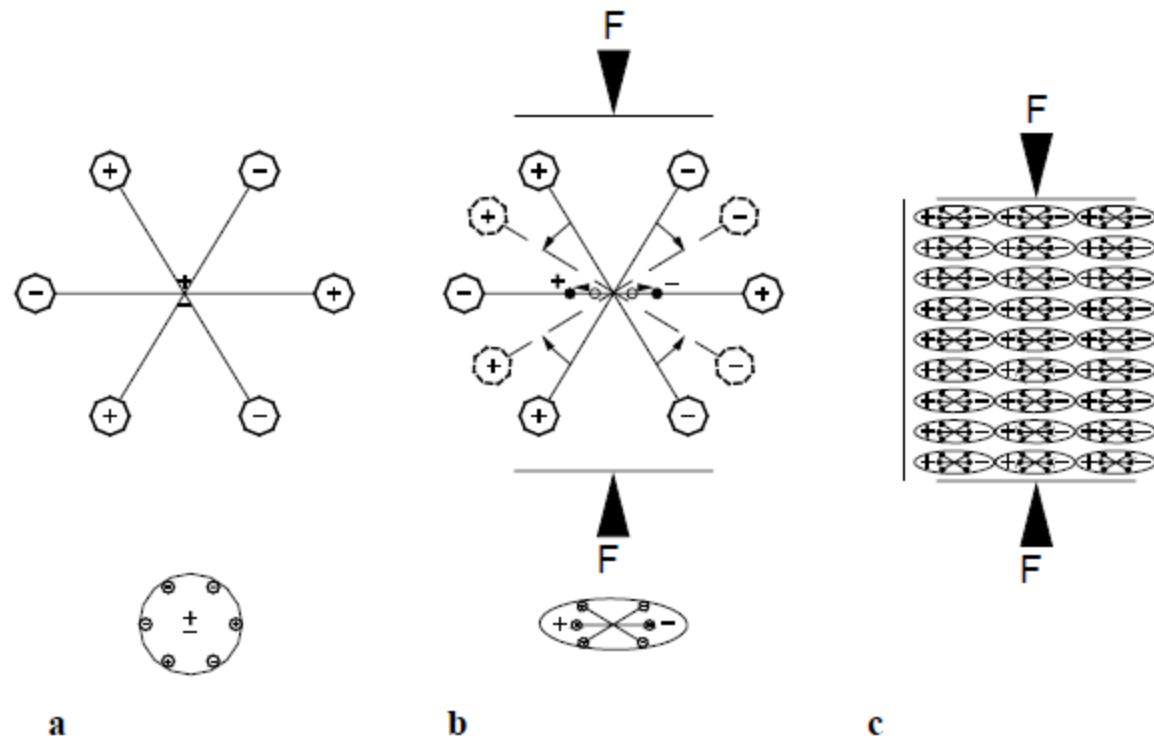


Fig. 3.1. The perovskite structure  $\text{ABO}_3$ .  $\text{BaTiO}_3$  is the prototype ferroelectric that crystallizes in this structure. Other important examples are  $\text{PbTiO}_3$  and  $\text{Pb}(\text{Zr}_x \text{Ti}_{1-x})\text{O}_3$

# مواد پیزوالکتریک - سازوکار ایجاد بار با اعمال نیرو



**Fig. 1.1.** Simple molecular model for explaining the piezoelectric effect: **a** unperturbed molecule; **b** molecule subjected to an external force, and **c** polarizing effect on the material surfaces

Table 1.1. Piezoelectricity, innovation fields, and important applications

Category	Innovation field	Materials and shaping	Main application
Actuators and motors	Printers	Bars, tubes, multilayer ceramics of soft PZT PZT thin films	Needle drives and ink jet
	Motors and transformers	Rings, plates of hard PZT multilayer ceramics PZT thin films	Miniaturized, compact motors and transformers
	Bimorph actuators	PZT multilayer ceramics	Pneumatics, micropumps, braille for
	Multilayer actuators	Multilayer stacks of soft PZT	Fine positioning and optics
	Injection systems	Multilayer stacks of soft PZT	Automotive fuel valves

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Sound and ultrasound (US)	Buzzer	Ceramic tapes of soft PZT	Sonic alerts
	Microphones and speakers	Ceramic tapes of soft PZT PZT thin films	Telephone, blood pressure
	Ultrasonic (US) imaging	Diced plates of soft PZT or of PZNT single crystals PZT thin films	Medical diagnostics
	Hydrophonics	Hard PZT of various shapes soft PZT composites	Sources and detectors for sound location
	High power transducers and shock wave generation	Ceramic discs of hard PZT	Machining, US cleaning, lithotripsy
	Atomizer	Ceramic discs of soft PZT	Oil atomizers, humidifiers, aerosols
	Air ultrasound	Ceramic discs of soft PZT	Distance meter, intrusion alarm

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Frequency control and signal processing	Frequency-/time standards	Quartz single crystal plates	Precise frequency control
	Mechanical frequency filters	Ceramic plates of specifically tailored PZT	Inexpensive frequency control and filtering
	Surface acoustic wave (SAW) devices	$\text{LiNbO}_3$ , $\text{LiTaO}_3$ , Quartz single crystal substrates	Passive signal processing for wireless communication, identification, sensing, etc.
	Bulk acoustic wave (BAW) devices	Ceramic plates of hard PZT AlN, ZnO thin	

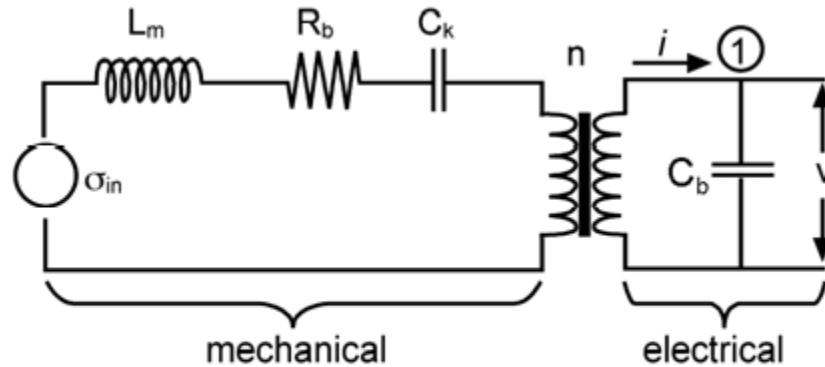
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Sensors	Acceleration sensors	Rings, plates of soft PZT	Automotive, automation, medical
	Pressure and shock-wave sensors	LiNbO <sub>3</sub> substrates PVDF foils	
	Flow sensors	Soft PZT discs	
	Mass sensitive sensors	Quartz discs, Quartz substrates ZnO, AlN thin films	
Ignition	Ignition	Hard PZT cylinders	Gas and fuel ignition
Adaptronics	Adaptive devices	Various shapes of soft PZT, multilayer stacks of soft PZT	Active noise and vibration cancellation, adaptive control, airtail filter control

Table 3.1. Comparison of the most important piezoelectric material classes by means of typical examples

Material	Example	$\varepsilon/\varepsilon_r$	$s (10^{-12}m^2/N)$	$k$	$d (pm/V)$
Non ferroelectric single crystals	Quartz	5	10	0.1	2.3
Ferroelectric single crystals (far away from phase transitions)	$\text{LiNbO}_3$	30–80	6	... 0.3	... 20
Ferroelectric ceramics/single crystals (in the vicinity of phase transitions)	PZT	200–5,000	10–20	0.3–0.8	100–1,000
Piezoelectric (ferroelctric) polymers	PVDF	10	400	0.15	20

# مدل مداری برای مولد پیزوالکتریک



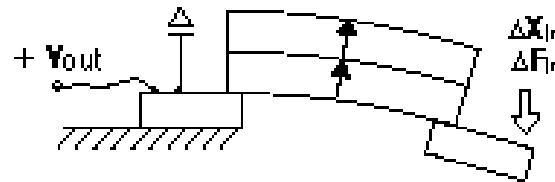
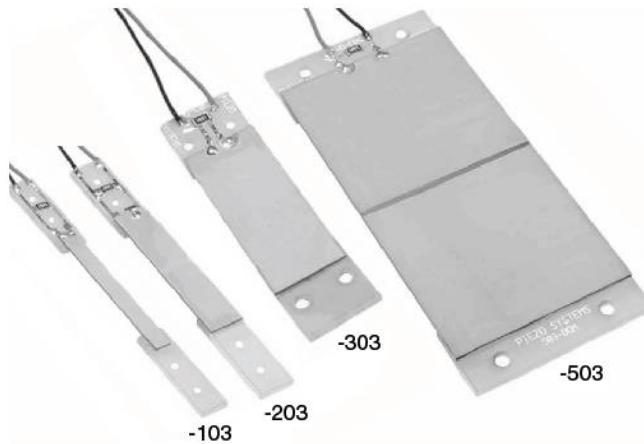
$$\sigma_{in} = L_m \ddot{S} + R_b \dot{S} + \frac{S}{C_k} + nV \quad (5)$$

$$i = C_b \dot{V}. \quad (6)$$

**Figure 2.** Circuit representation of the piezoelectric generator.  
(Note that node 1 is used in the derivation of equation (5).)

The equivalent inductor,  $L_m$ , represents the mass or inertia of the generator. The equivalent resistor<sup>3</sup>,  $R_b$ , represents mechanical damping. The equivalent capacitor,  $C_k$ , represents the mechanical stiffness.  $\sigma_{in}$  is an equivalent stress generator that represents the stress developed as a result of the input vibrations.  $n$  represents the equivalent turns ratio of the transformer.  $C_b$  is the capacitance of the piezoelectric bender.  $V$  is the voltage across the piezoelectric device. The ‘across’ variable on the mechanical side of the circuit is stress,  $\sigma$  (analogous to voltage), and the ‘through’ variable is strain rate,  $\dot{S}$  (analogous to current).

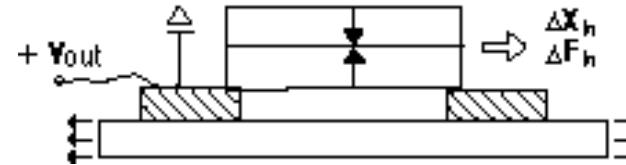
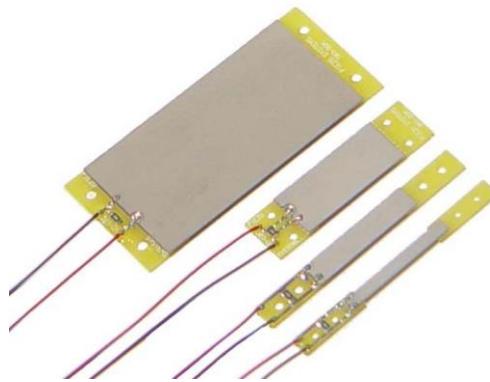
# حسگر پیزو الکتریک



## PERFORMANCE: DOUBLE QUICK-MOUNT BENDING GENERATORS (Cantilever mount)

VALUES TO BE USED  
AS GUIDELINES

PART NUMBERS DOUBLE QUICK-MOUNT BENDING GENERATORS	PIEZO MATERIAL	WEIGHT (grams)	STIFFNESS (N/m)	CAPACITANCE (nF) (Parallel Operation)	RATED TIP DEFLECTION ① (mm <sub>peak</sub> )	RATED FREQUENCY ① (Hz)	OPEN CIRCUIT VOLTAGE ① At rated deflection, parallel operation (V <sub>peak</sub> )	CLOSED CIRCUIT CURRENT ① Per sinusoidal cycle, at rated deflection, parallel operation. (μA <sub>peak</sub> / Hz)	RATED OUTPUT POWER ① At rated deflection and frequency (mW <sub>rms</sub> )
D220-A4-103YB	5A4E	1.1	6.1x10 <sup>1</sup>	12	± 1.0	100	± 14.9	± 2.0	.37
D220-A4-203YB	5A4E	1.7	1.2x10 <sup>2</sup>	23	± 1.0	120	± 14.9	± 3.9	.88
D220-A4-303YB	5A4E	2.7	3.6x10 <sup>2</sup>	46	± .84	145	± 14.9	± 7.9	2.1
D220-A4-503YB	5A4E	10.4	1.9x10 <sup>2</sup>	232	± 2.6	47	± 20.9	± 52	6.4



## PERFORMANCE: DOUBLE QUICK-MOUNT EXTENSION GENERATORS (Cantilever)

PART NUMBERS Double Quick-Mount Extension Generators	PIEZOELECTRIC MATERIAL	WEIGHT (grams)	STIFFNESS (N/m)	CAPACITANCE (nF) (Parallel Operation)	RATED TIP DEFLECTION ① ( $\mu\text{m}_{\text{peak}}$ )	RATED FREQUENCY ① (Hz)	OPEN CIRCUIT VOLTAGE ① At rated deflection, parallel operation (V <sub>peak</sub> )
+ Vout	X-poled for parallel bending operation (3 wire).						
D220-A4-103XE	5A4E	1.1	$2 \times 10^6$	12	$\pm 13$	1500	$\pm 64$
D220-A4-203XE	5A4E	1.7	$3 \times 10^6$	26	$\pm 13$	1500	$\pm 64$
D220-A4-303XE	5A4E	2.7	$7 \times 10^6$	52	$\pm 13$	1500	$\pm 64$
D220-A4-503XE	5A4E	10.4	$8 \times 10^6$	260	$\pm 25$	750	$\pm 64$

## Product Names

PSI-5A4E & PSI-5H4E

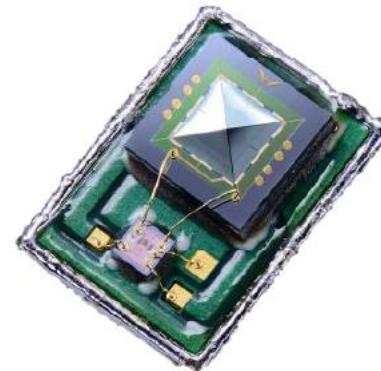
**Chemical Family:** Ceramic Materials

Hazardous Component	CAS#	%
Lead Oxide	1317-36-8	60-72
Zirconium Oxide	1314-23-4	5-25
Titanium Oxide	13463-67-7	5-15
Lanthanum Oxide	1312-81-8	0-4
Niobium Oxide	1313-96-8	0-20
Nickel Oxide	1313-99-1	0-7

## Low-Noise Bottom Port Piezoelectric MEMS Microphone

### FEATURES

- Unique piezoelectric MEMS transducer
- Very-low noise floor
- Low part-to-part variation
- High dynamic range
- Flat frequency response
- Durable piezoelectric MEMS construction
- Small size
- Waterproof



### APPLICATIONS

- Smartphones
- Wearables
- Smart home devices
- Video cameras
- IoT devices **Internet of Things (IoT)**
- Automotive

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