Design of Piezoelectric Active Structure

LECTURE 1. Introduction to Active Materials and Structures

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 Adaptive structure...characteristics can be beneficially changed in response to environment
Actuation

Sensing

Characteristics

- shape, geometry
- stiffness, damping
- vibration characteristics
- random signature
- acoustic reflectivity

* Stimuli

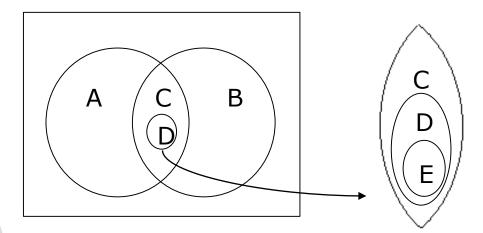
- external force
- pressure field
- applies voltage
- applies magnetic field

Controllable Response

- actuator, sensor control to increase performance to enhance functionality
- complexity not pay for itself

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Hierarchy of Adaptive Structure



- A : Actuated or Adaptive Structures
- B : Sensory Structure (Monitoring of system stats)
- C : Controlled
- D : Active Materials and Structures
- E : Intelligent Structure

Active Structures...analysis tools for integration

Motivation

- Increased Functionality
- Complexity is generic trend

- > Applications
 - Vibration Suppression : multi-payload platform
 - Precision Optical [Pointing] System (Interferometry)
 - Precision Machining
 - Static Shape Control
 - Helicopter Vibration
 - Optical Surface Correction
 - Active Optics
 - Deformable Lifting Surfaces
 - Active Noise Control

Interior...Fuselage, Cockpit

Elevator

Rooms

Exterior...Torpedoes, Submarines Helicopters

- Solid State Motors
- Structural Damage Detection
- Dynamic Flow Structure Interaction
- Gust Buffet Load Alleviation
- Flutter Suppression

Adaptation Mechanisms

- Material

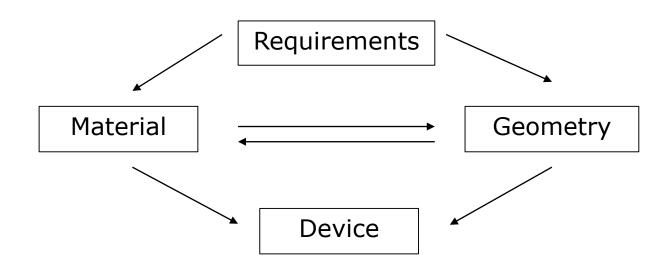
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- Controllable Size
 - Electrically ... Piezoelectric Ceramics, Polymers
 - Thermally ... SMA
 - Magnetically ... Magnetostrictors
 - Optically
 - Chemically
- Controllable stiffness
- Controllable viscosity
 - Electrorheological
 - Magnetorheological

Transducer ... works both ways

=> Solid State Actuation Sensing

Design of Active Structures/Devices



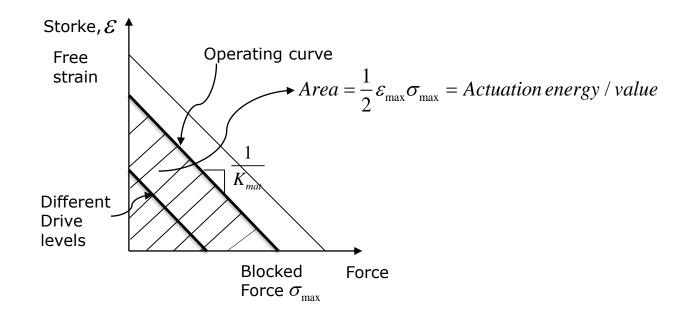
➢ 2 Problems

- 1) Elastic Actuation
- 2) Solid State Physics
 - Couple of Fields

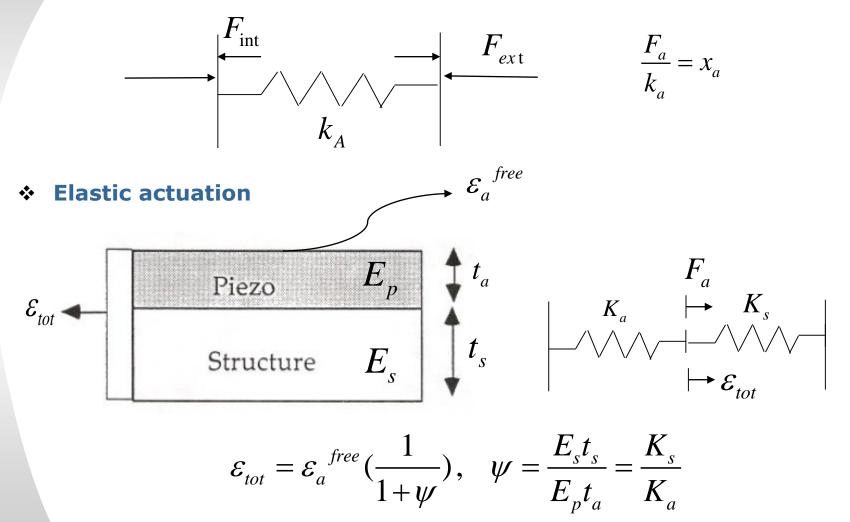
Activation Figures of Merit

- stroke, ε^{free} , ε^{free} /Field
- mcx

- sensitivity
- force, stress
- max, clamped
- Sensitivities



1-D (Simple) model



- Graphical Representation

