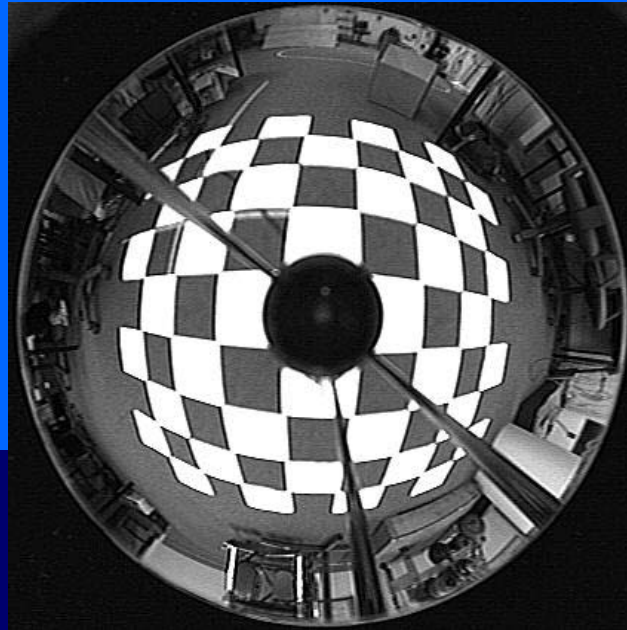


# Minimizing Distortion and Increasing Resolution in Wide-angle Viewing by Means of Actuated Micro-mirrors



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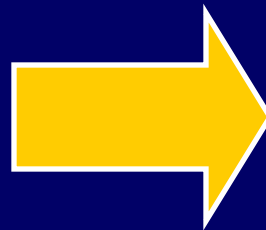
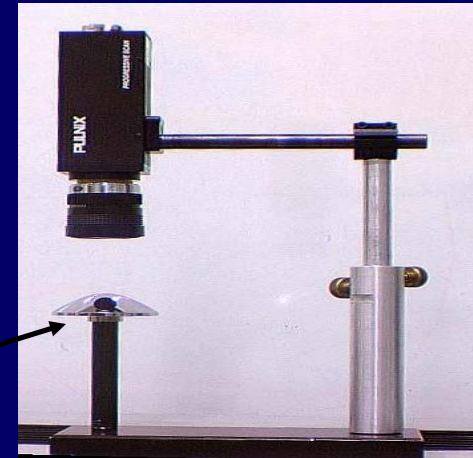
# Outline

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# Research Motivation

- *Distortion in wide angle viewing*

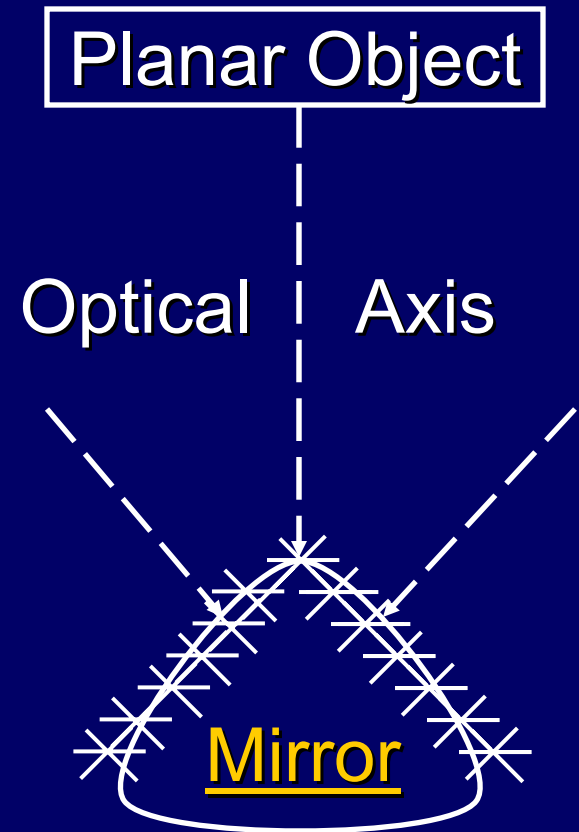
mirror



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# Project Motivation

- **Problem 1:** Paraboloidal vs. spherical
- **Research:** Distortion minimization has been achieved to the optical axis
- **Problem 2:** Change the optical axis and still have an undistorted image



# Research Motivation

- **Image resolution** - refers to the spacing of pixels in an image and is measured in pixels per inch (ppi) or dots per inch (dpi).



72 dpi



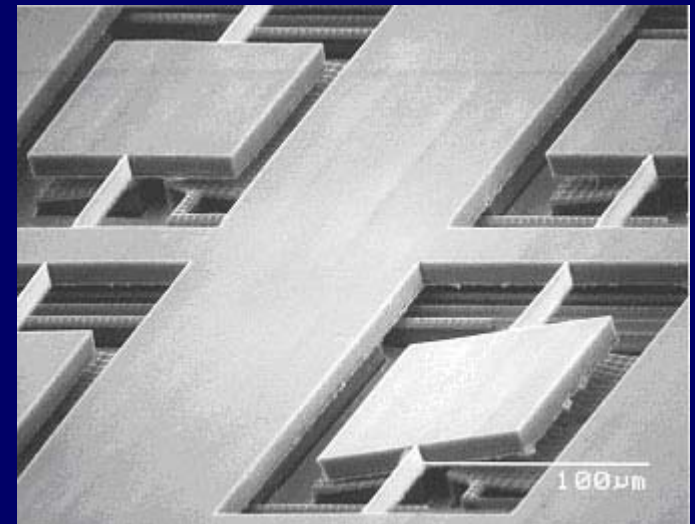
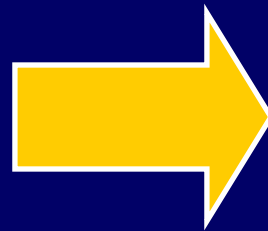
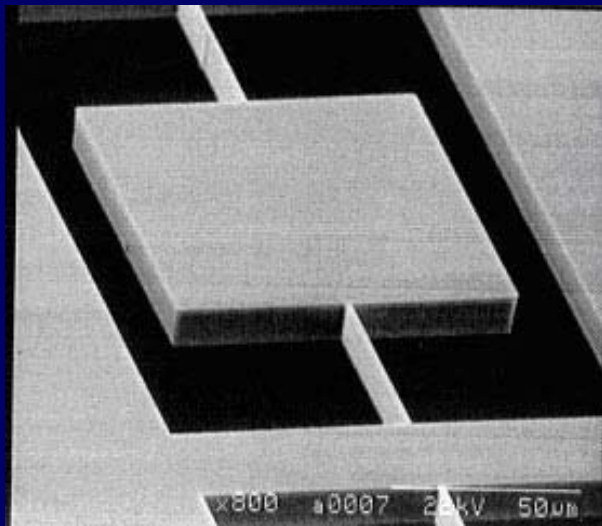
36 dpi

# Project Goals

- **Single axis micro-mirrors design and construction**
  - **Masks Design**
  - **Use (110) silicon wafer**
  - **Fabrication**
  - **Mechanical Modeling**
  - **Actuation if possible**

# Research Goals

- Application – Video Cameras
- Micro-mirror – University of California, Santa Barbara MEMS Research



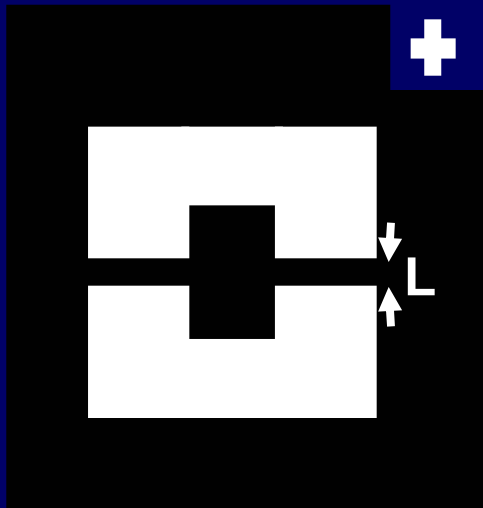
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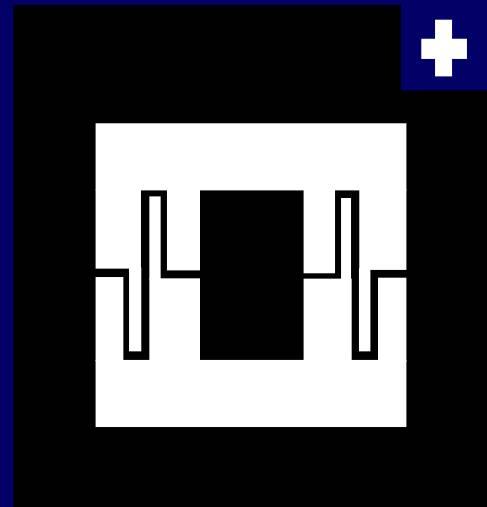
# Results

- The Mask Design was developed with the use of AutoCAD

**Single-axis  
micro-mirror**



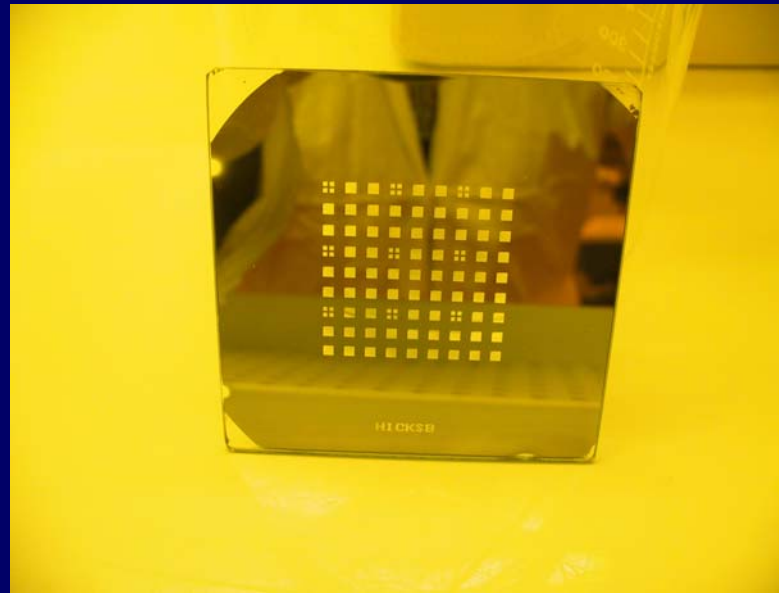
**Serpentine spring  
micro-mirror**





# Results

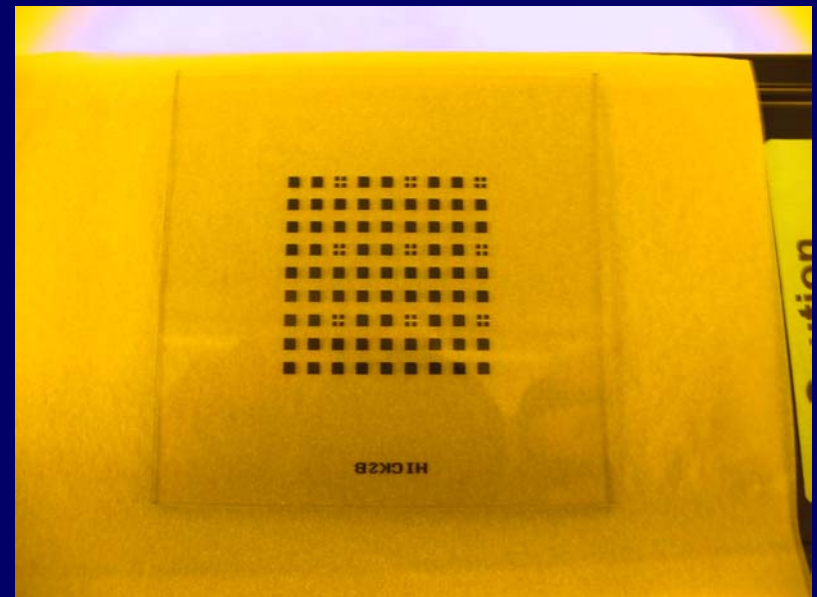
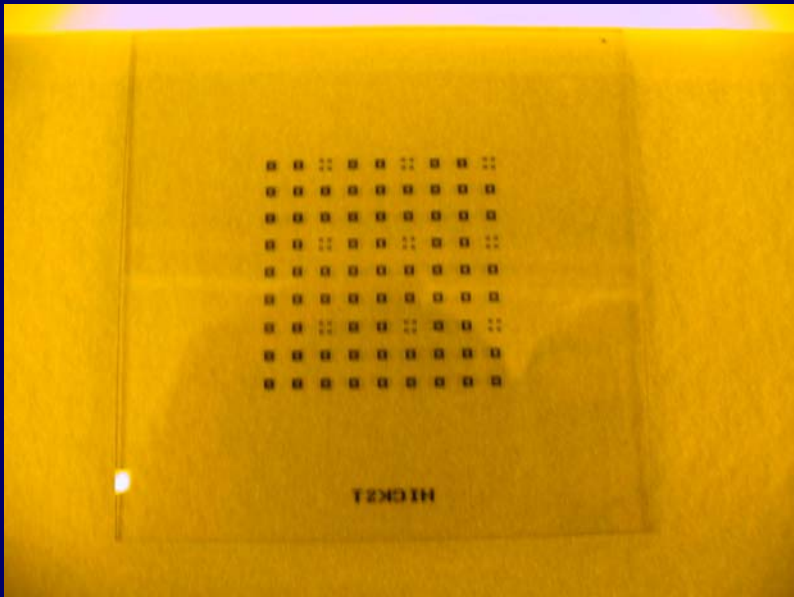
- The first fabricated masks have the wrong polarity.



# Results

- Mask Design

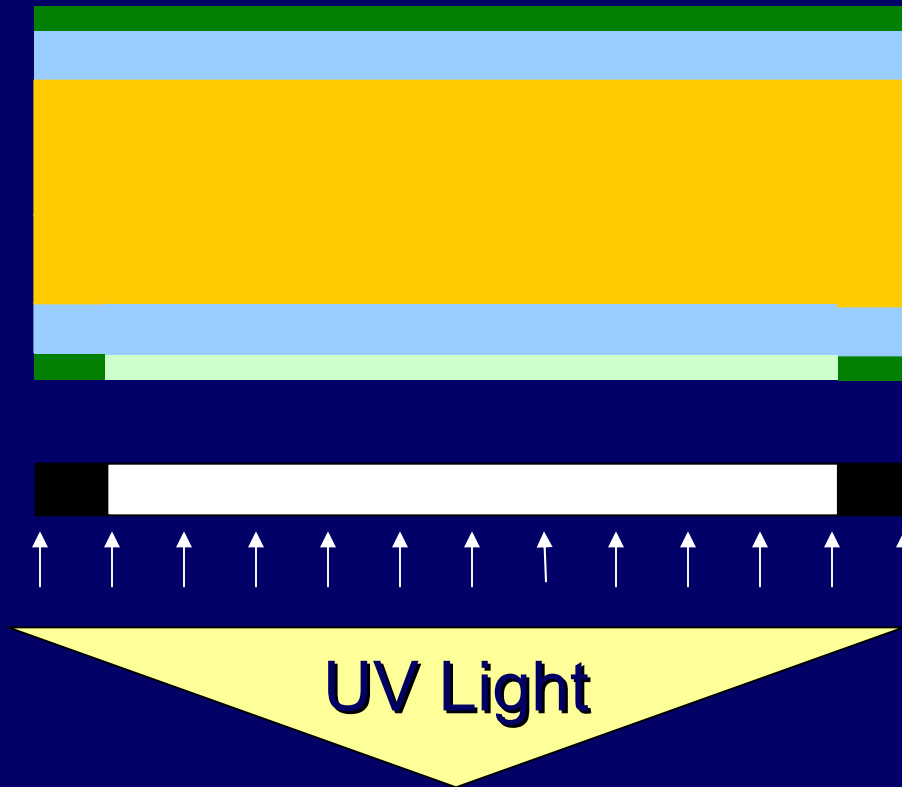
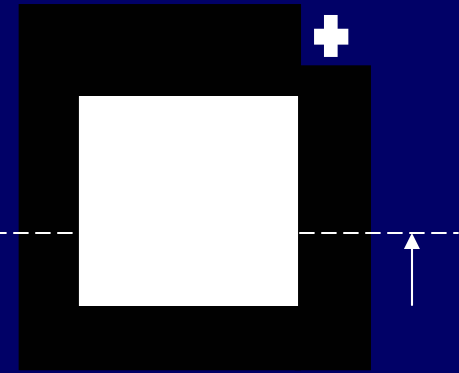
- Top and Bottom masks with correct polarity



# Results

## ■ Process Flow

Bottom Mask  
Cross-sectional View



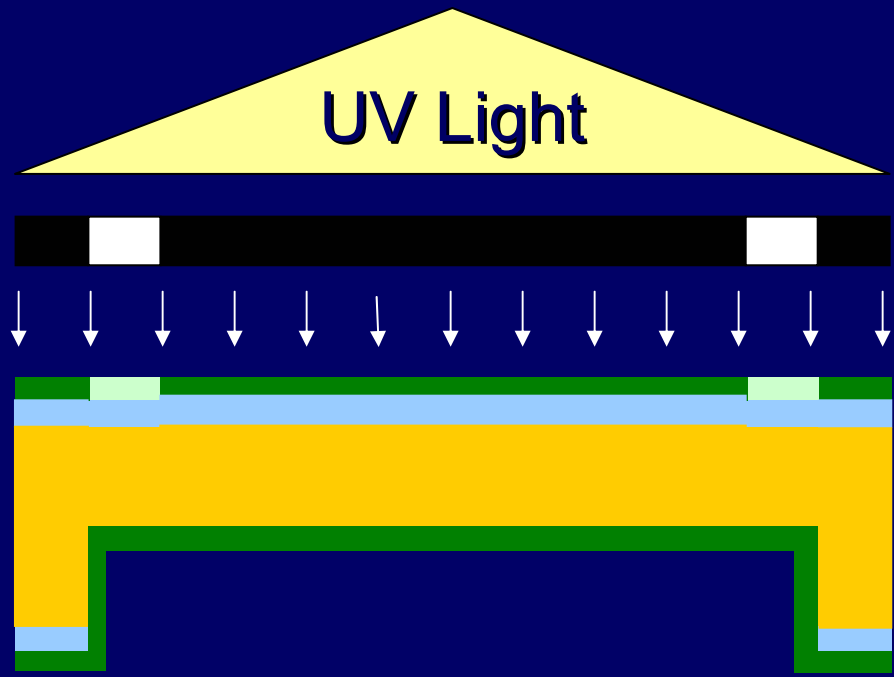
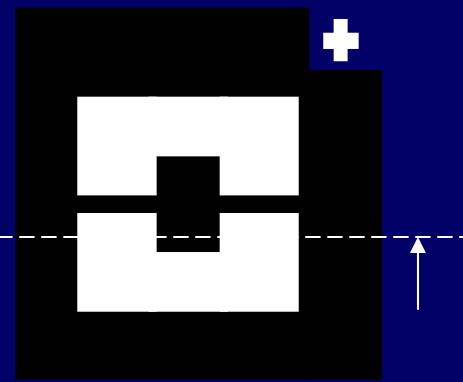
-  (110) Silicon Wafer
-  Silicon Oxide Layer
-  Photoresist Layer
-  Exposed Resist Layer







# Results and Discussion

## ■ Process Flow

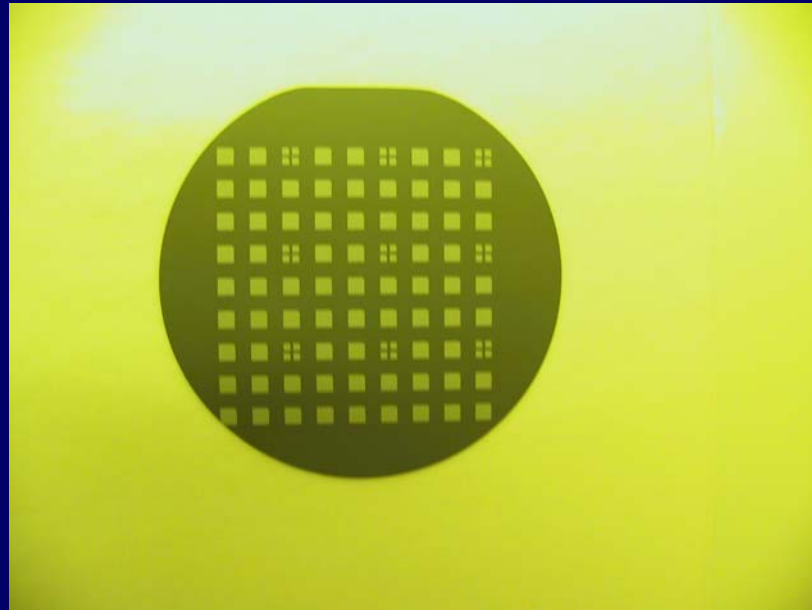
Top Mask  
Cross-sectional View



-  Silicon Wafer
-  Silicon Oxide Layer
-  Photoresist
-  Exposed Resist Layer

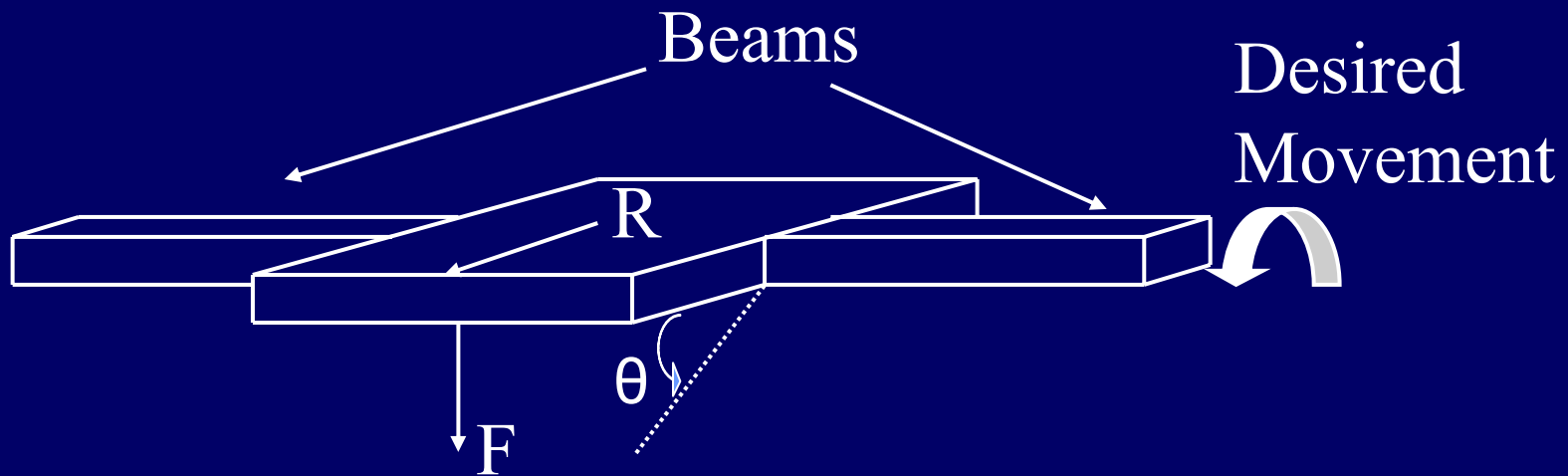
# Results

- The silicon wafer processing was stopped at the photoresist stripping of the bottom pattern.



# Results

- The Mechanical Modeling



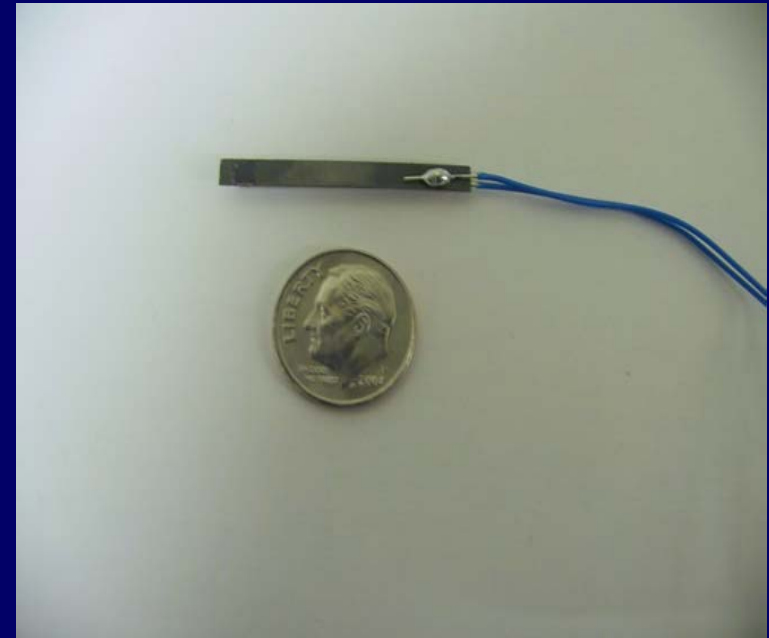
# Results

- Force and torque results for different Poisson's ratio =  $\nu$
- At  $E = 2.4$  GPa and  $\nu = 0.4$
- $T = 0.1627$  N·m,  $F = 32.5173$  N
- At  $E = 2.4$  GPa and  $\nu = 0.5$
- $T = 0.1518$  N·m,  $F = 30.3494$  N

# Results

## ■ Actuation Approach

- Of the piezoelectric material sheets only two were able to move when 120V were applied across them.
- Measurements of the voltage across its surface showed an uninformed charge density.

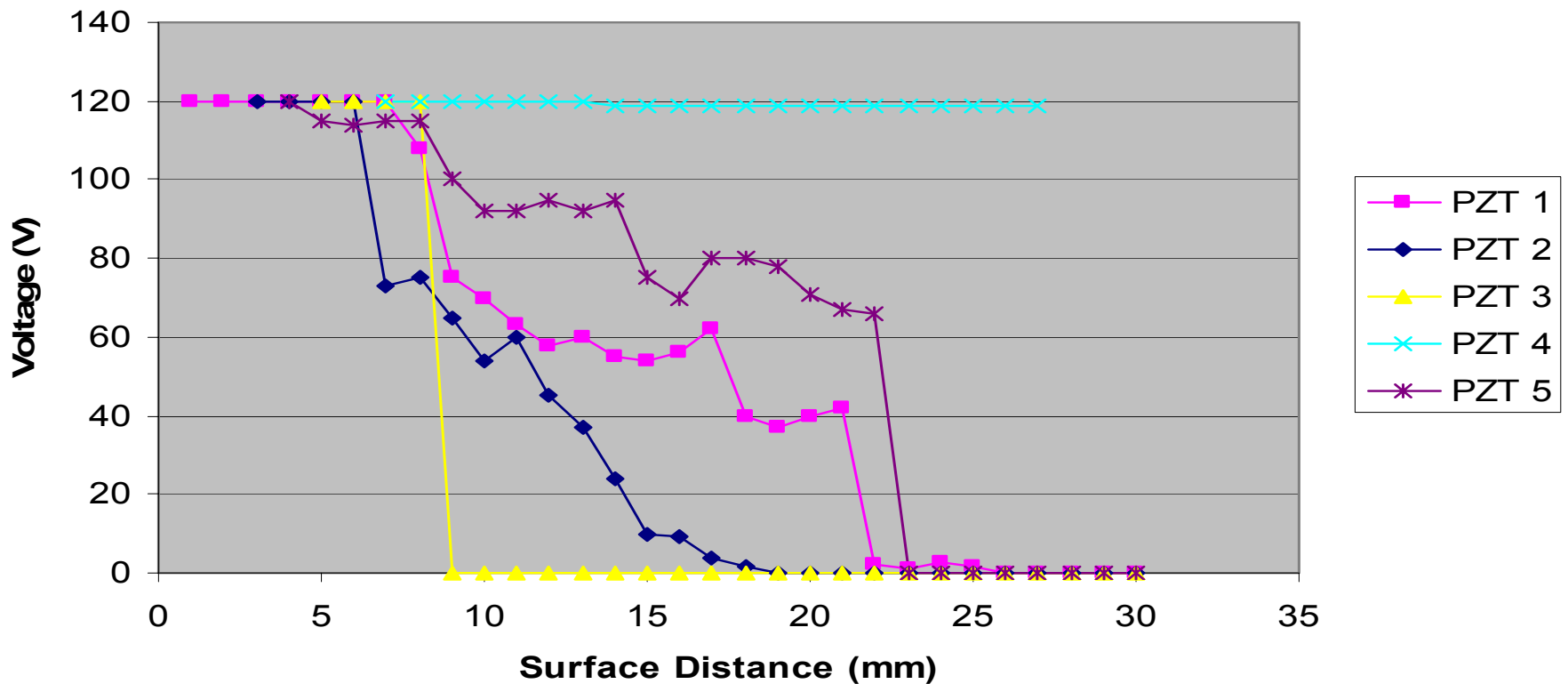




# Results

## ■ Actuation Approach

### Voltage vs Surface Distance



# Future Work

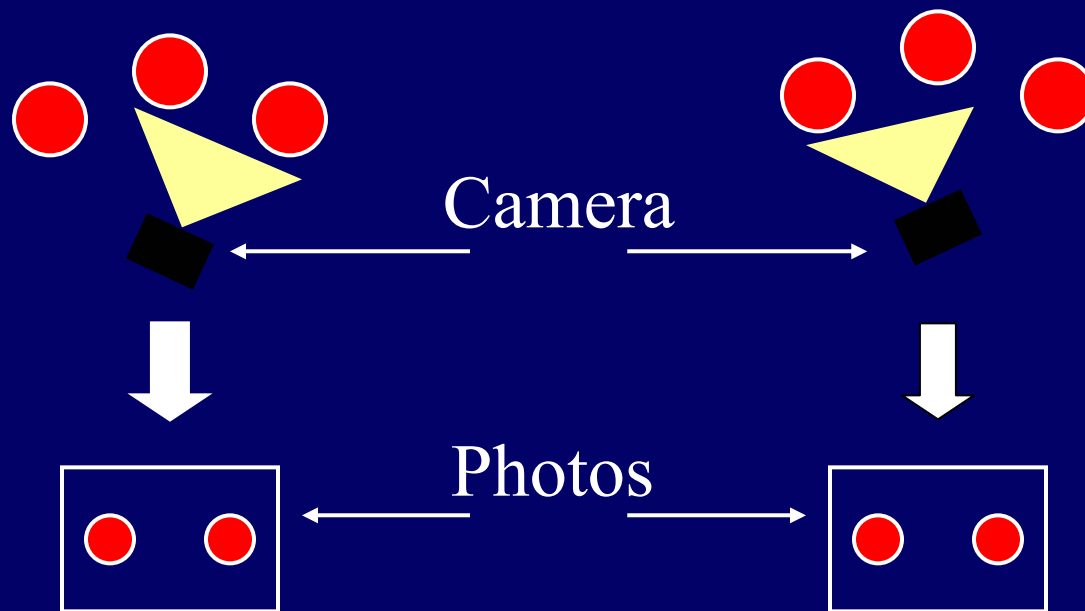
- Finish the single axis micro-mirrors fabrication
- Design the micro-mirrors actuation at the macro and micro levels
- Explore a two axis micro-mirror fabrication

# Questions



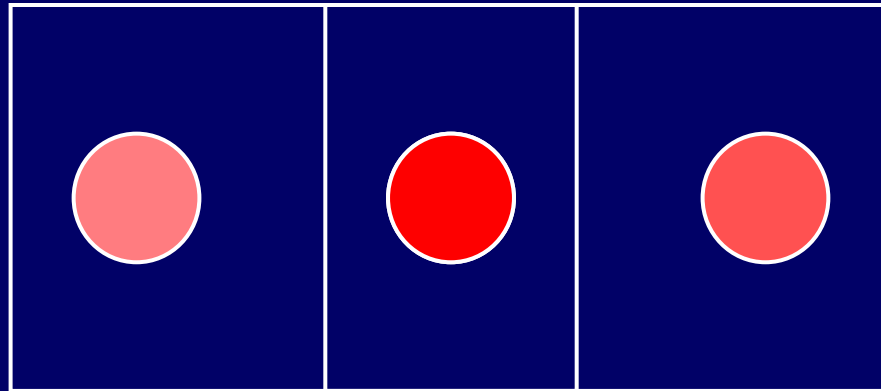
# Research Motivation

- Image Resolution Proposed Method



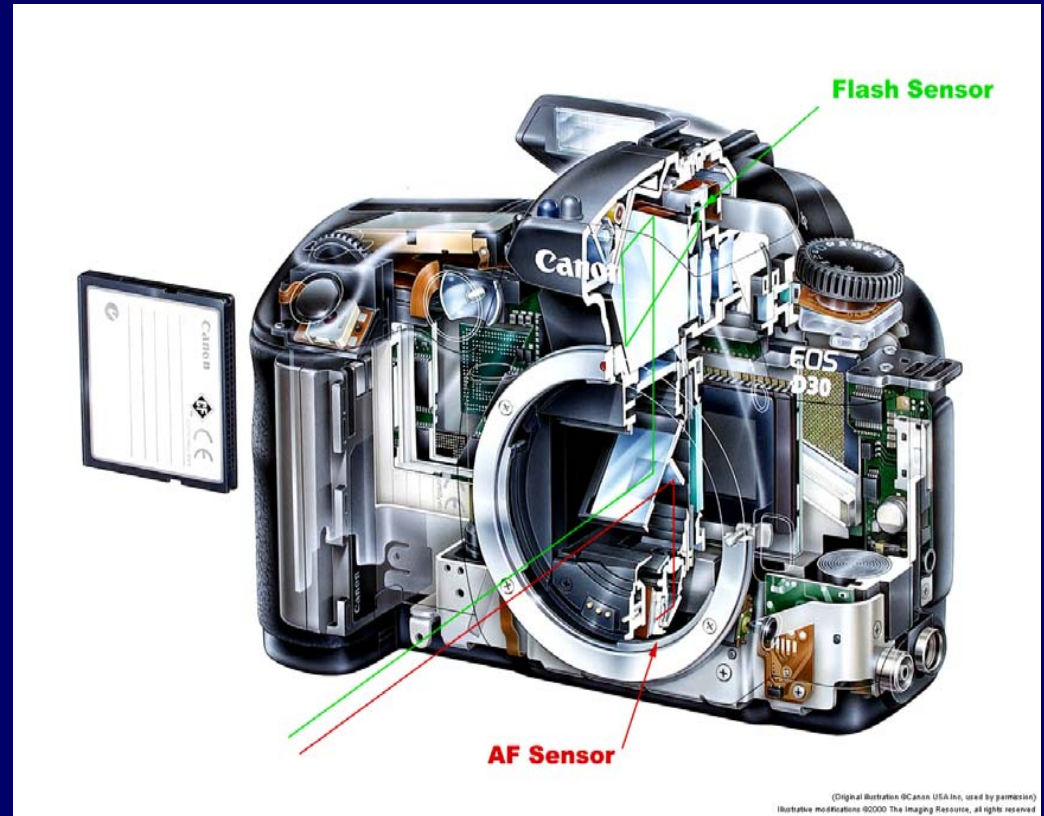
# Background of the project

- Image Resolution Proposed Method
  - Overlapped Pictures



# Research Motivation

- Image Resolution  
Proposed Method



# Extras

- Advantages of KOH Wet Etching
  - Insensitive to layout
  - Uniformity  $\pm 5\%$  in wafer
  - Little maintenance support
  - Lower Cost