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Nanotechnology Cross-Industry Focus

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Metal Processing Institute

An industry-university alliance with 110 corporate partners dedicated to advance the frontiers of net shape manufacturing through knowledge creation and dissemination, and through education.

Materials Science and Engineering

-- HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

- *Evolved from mining departments; Mineral engineering heritage – 1860's / Utah, Rockies, etc.*
- *1860's.... steel production: 20,000 tons/year*
- *Bessemer (1864), Open-Hearth process (1880)*
- *1880's iron ore deposits – Missouri, Lake Superior*
- *By late 1890's, steel production: 22 million tons*
- *Railroad mania... Bridges, infrastructure, etc.*
- *Construction with steel framework in 1890*

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE - continued

- *Birth of structure-processing-property-performance*
- *Electric generators – 1860's*
- *Carbon filament electric light bulb – 1879*
- *Graham Bell invention of the telephone (1876)*
- *Availability of electrical energy: Al production (1888)*
- *1900-1930.... New processes, exploding civilian markets, autos 15 million model Ts were produced between 1908-1927 vacuum cleaners, electric iron, washing machine*
- *Aircraft production ... 1935 Douglas DC3*
- *1929 production: steel 62 million tons/year & Al 114,000 tons/year (3K in 1900)*

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE - continued

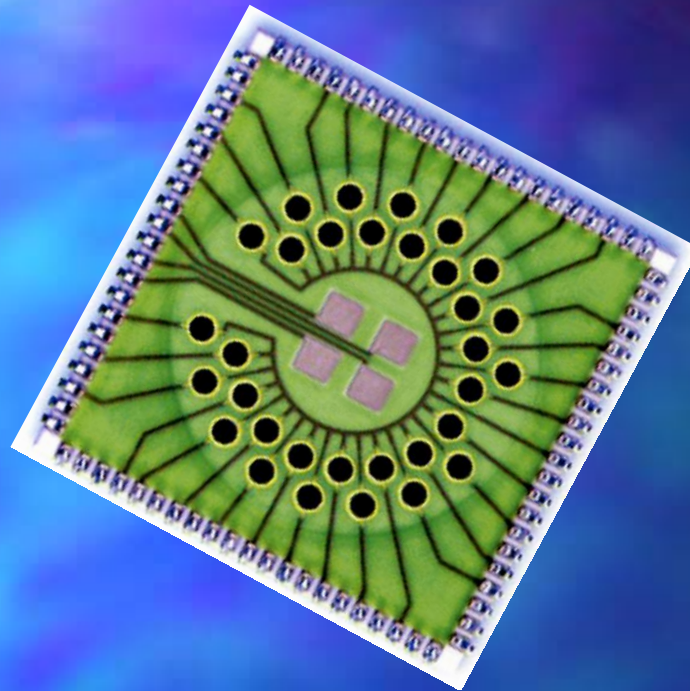
MARKET NEEDS – STRENGTH, RELIABILITY, PERFORMANCE

- *Superalloys (1947); WWII - Ti, U, Be, Pt*
- *First dislocations observed 1950*
- *Teflon 1950*
- *Polycarbonate 1953*
- *High Density Polyethylene 1955*
- *Transistor 1948*

- *Integrated circuit 1958*
- *1959 DARPA... Interdisciplinary Research centers in Materials... a seminal initiative!*
- *1970's IC more than 10,000 components per chip*
- *Kevlar – mid 70's*
- *Composite materials*

SHIFT FROM STRUCTURAL MATERIALS TO FUNCTIONAL MATERIALS

SENSORS



	1996 Units	Markets	2002 Units	Market
Anti Collision Sensors	0.01m	\$0.5 million	2m	\$20 million
Pressure Sensors	115m	\$600 million	300m	\$1.3 billion
Chemical Sensors	100m	\$300 million	400m	\$8 billion
Magneto-resistive Sensors	15m	\$20 million	60m	\$60 million

Source: Nexus: MST Market study, 1996 - 2002

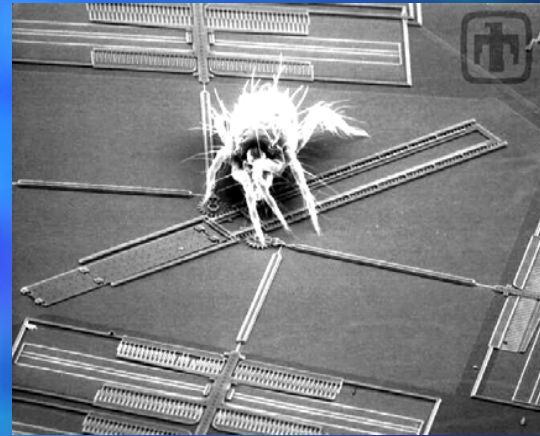
MEMS

Microelectromechanical systems: applications

What are MEMS ?

MicroElectroMechanical Systems (MEMS) is a revolutionary enabling technology that merges the functions of

*sensing
actuation and
controls with
computation and
communication
collocated on a chip*

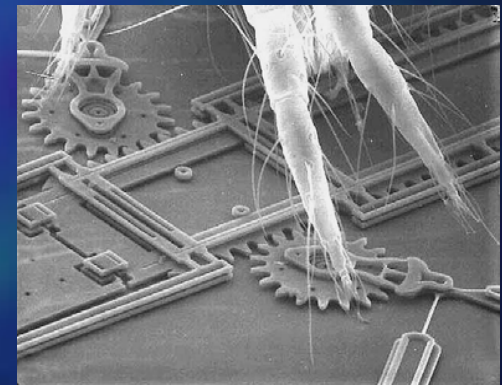


In some cases ...

*duplicates
MOTHER
NATURE*

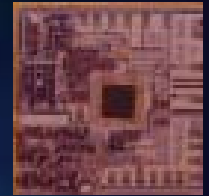
to affect the way people and machines interact with the physical world, and does so

*in very small sizes
using very low power
for operations in multi environments*



APPLICATIONS OF MEMS

Inertial navigation units on a chip for package guidance and personal navigation



Electromechanical signal processing for ultra- small, ultra low- power wireless communication



Distributed unattended sensors for asset tracking, environmental monitoring, security surveillance



Integrated fluidic systems for miniature analytical instruments, propellant, and combustion control

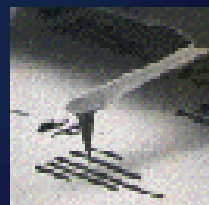


Embedded sensors and actuators for condition- based maintenance

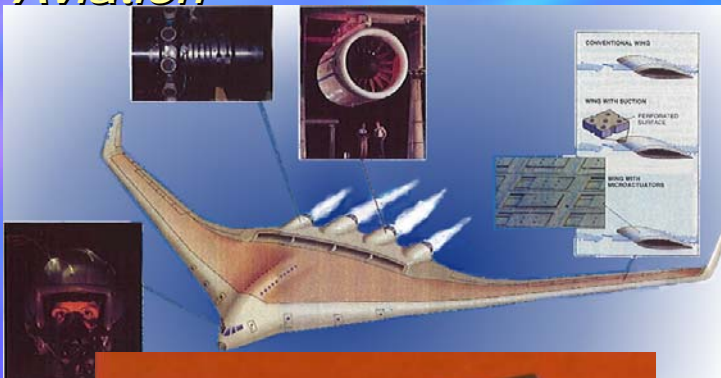
Mass data storage devices for high density, low power

Integrated micro- optomechanical components for displays and fiber- optic switches

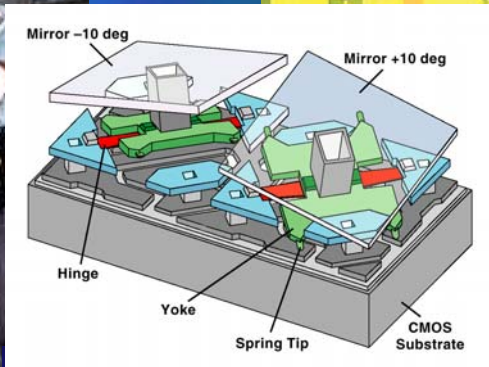
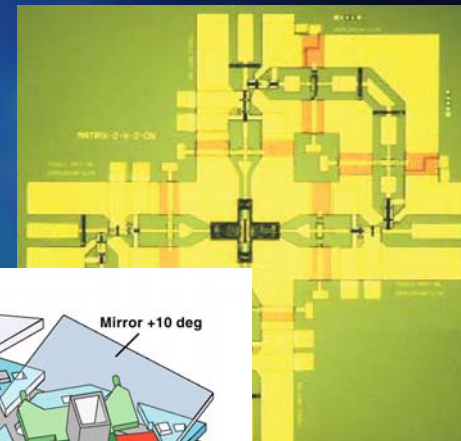
Active, conformable surfaces for distributed aerodynamic control of aircraft and adaptive optics



Aviation



Microelectronics: RF MEMS



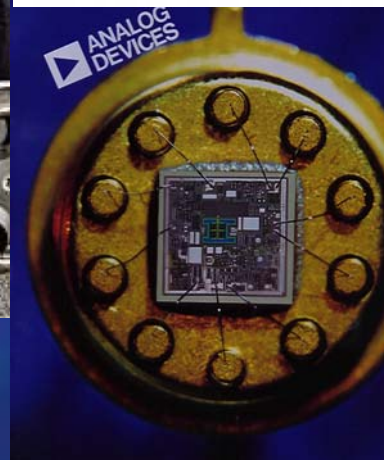
Photonics



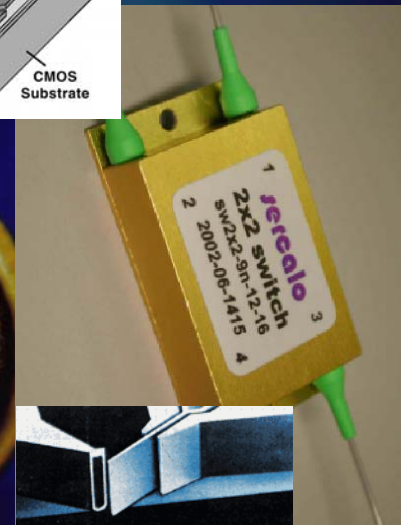
Navigation/GPS



Segway: sensors



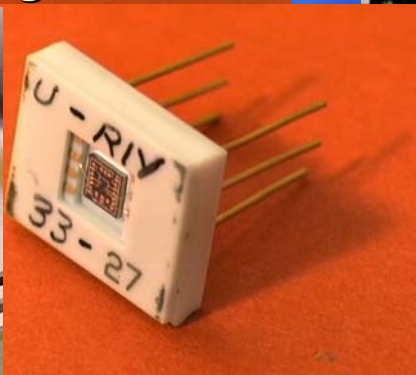
Automotive



Tele-com



Info-tech



Controls

Use AFM-like cantilevers to detect target molecules in gases and liquids

Detect contaminants in water and air

Detect presence of specific biomolecules for research and medicine

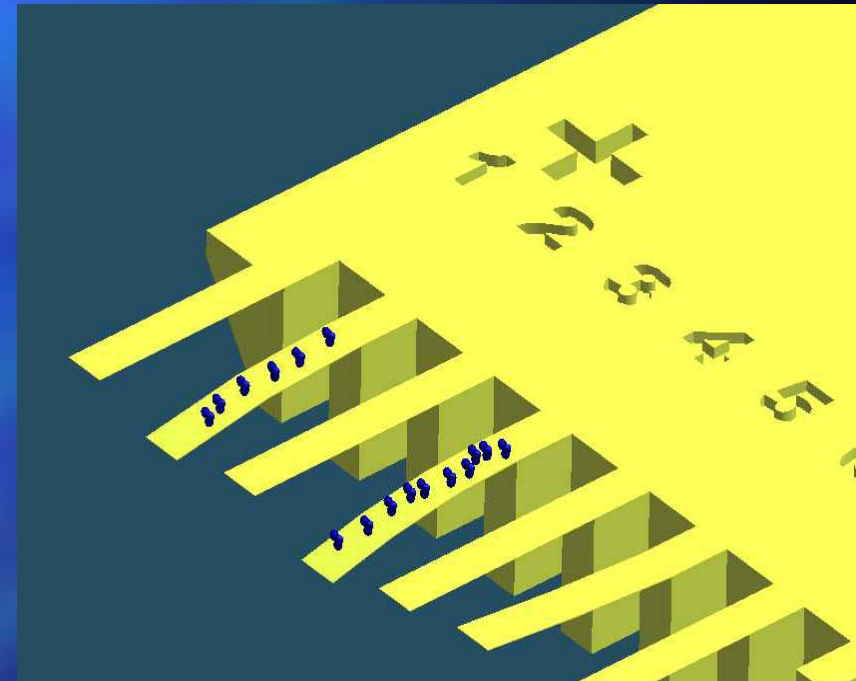
Detect biochemical metabolites

Detect explosives and toxic gases

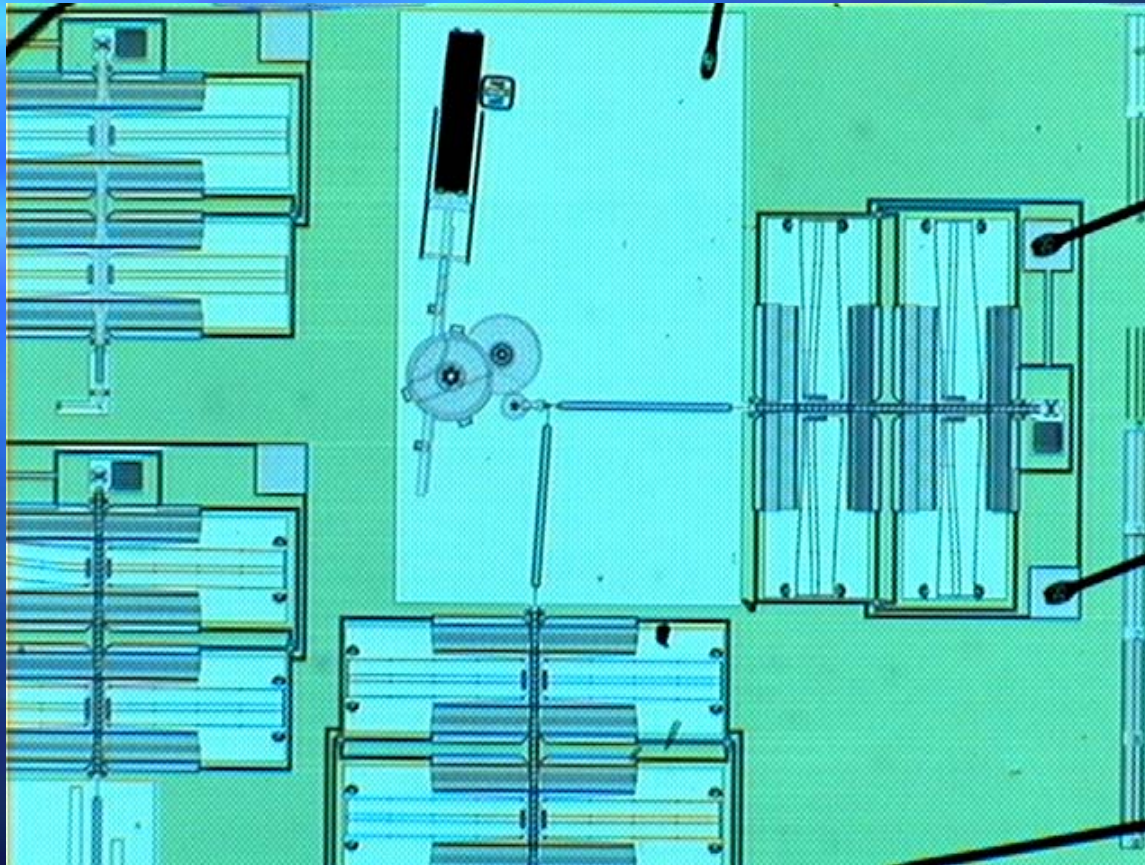
As an artificial nose, study aromas and flavors

Measure surface stress during thin film deposition

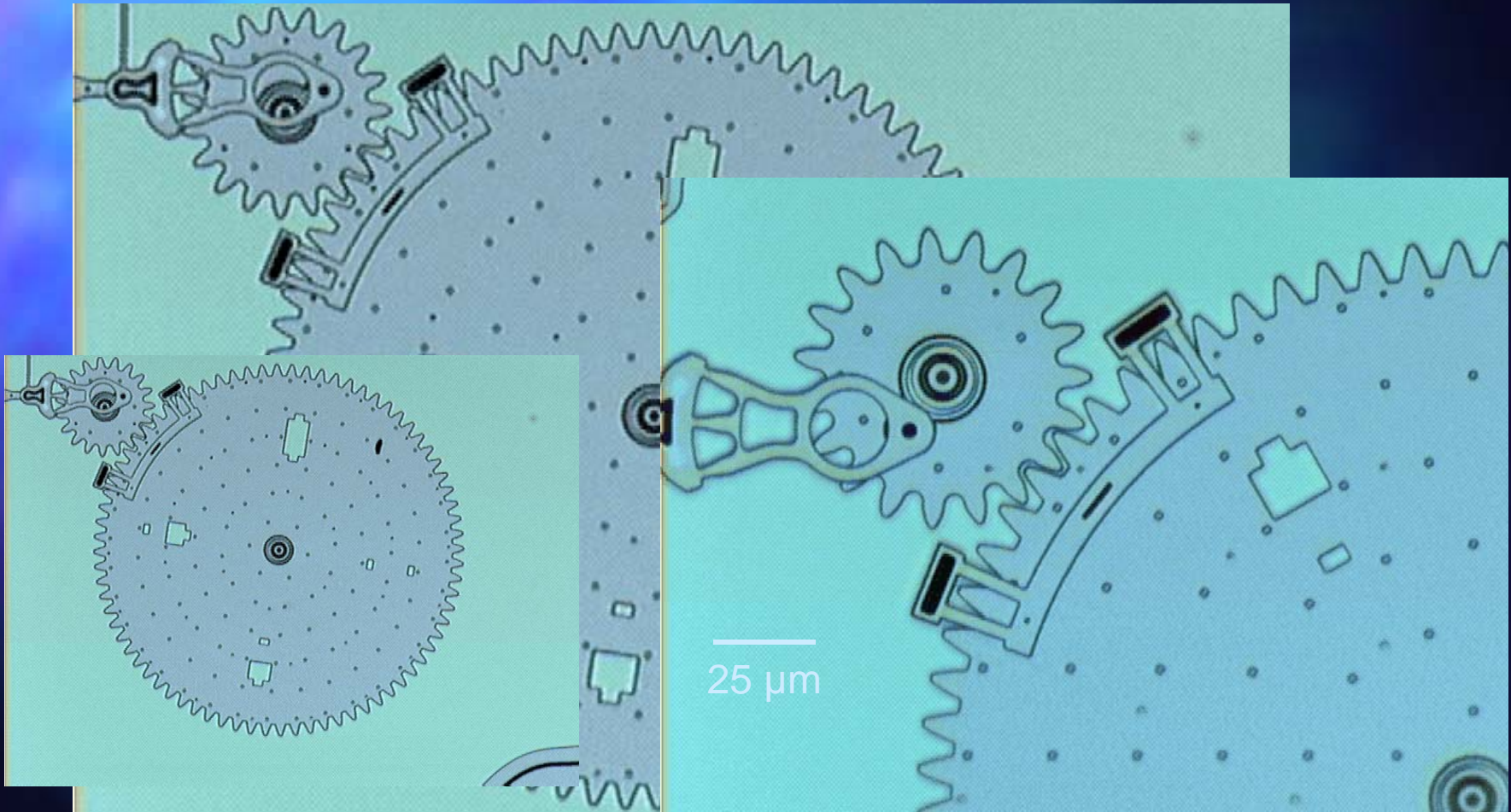
Cantilever Tool



SANDIA 1,000,000 rpm microengine

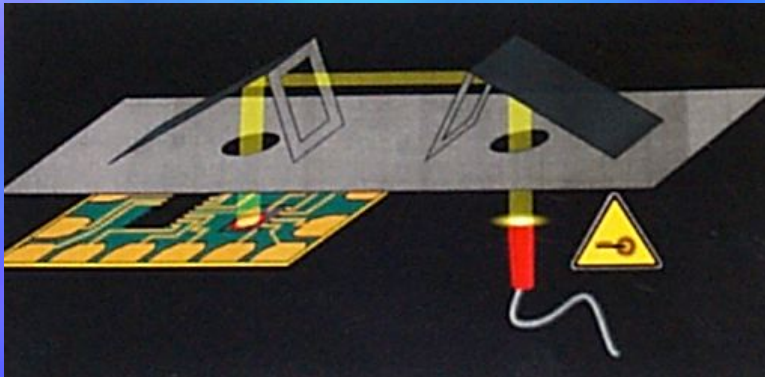


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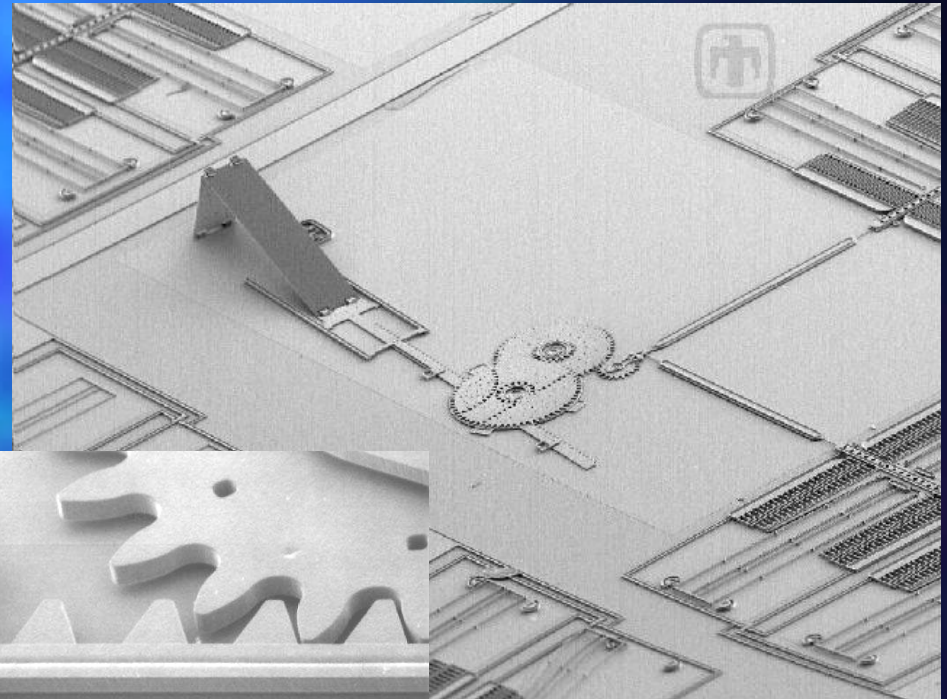


MEMS optical interconnection

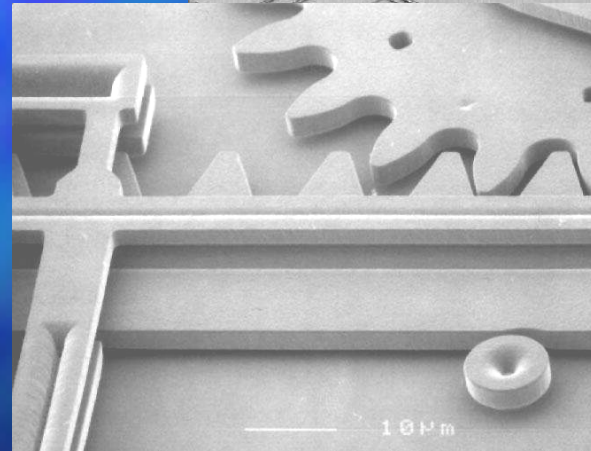
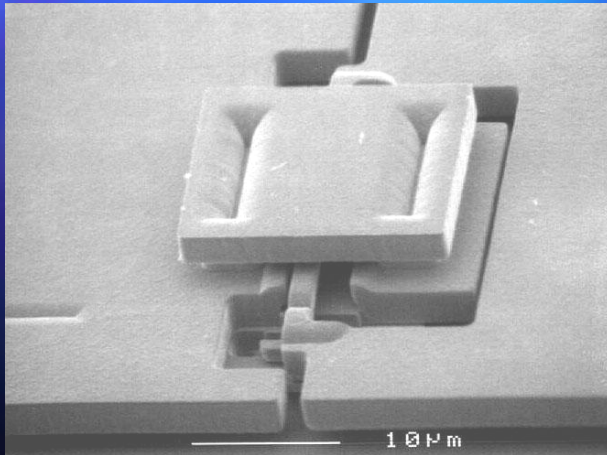
Typical application of a microengine



INTERCONNECTION CONCEPT



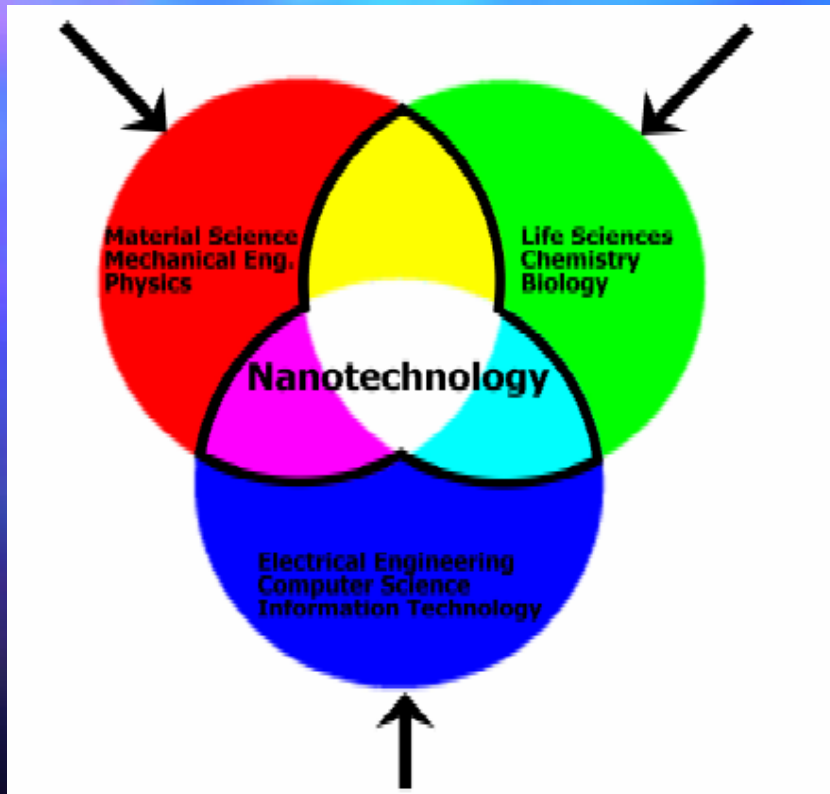
*μ -ENGINE ACTUATED
 μ -MIRROR DEVICE*



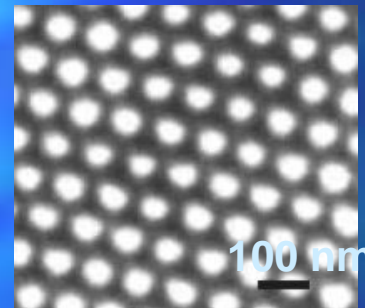
DEVICE DETAILS

SCALE

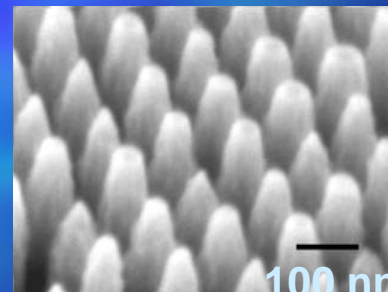
- *MEMS*
greater than 100 nm
- *NEMS Nano-electromechanical systems*
Less than 100 nm
- *Nanostructured components and materials*
Less than 60 nm



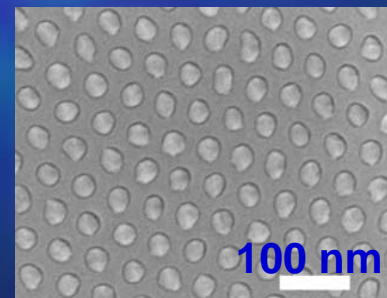
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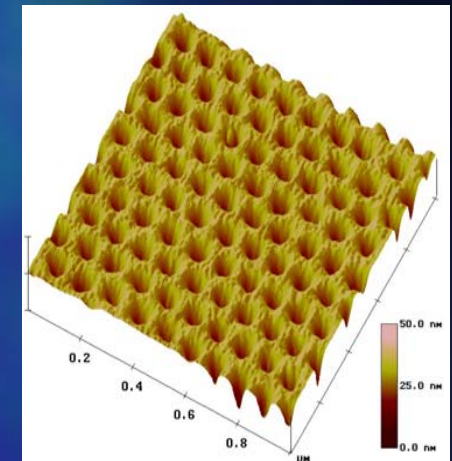
Ni nanodot array



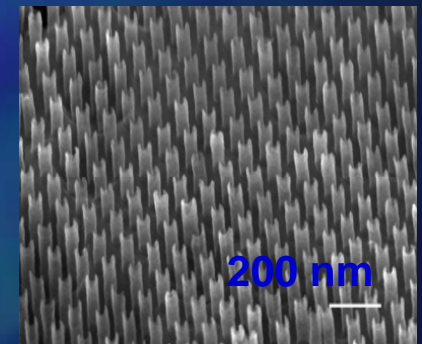
GaAs nanopillar array



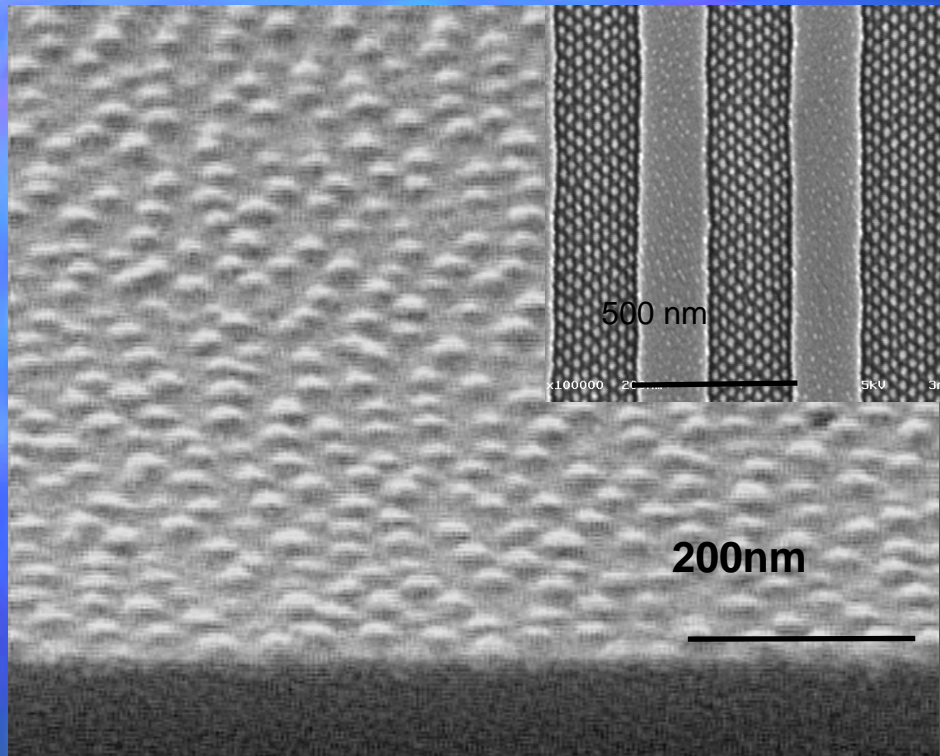
InAs nanodot array



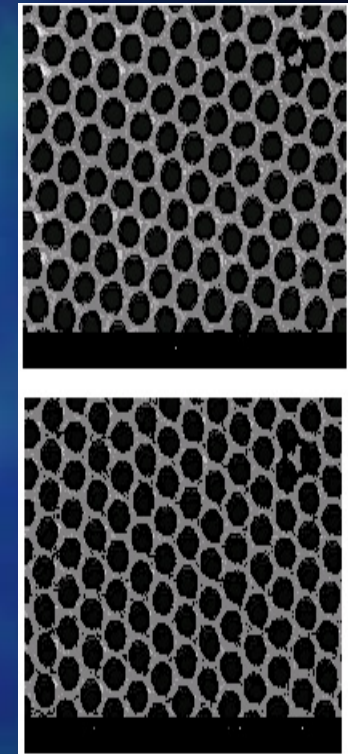
GaN nanopore array



Carbon nanotube array

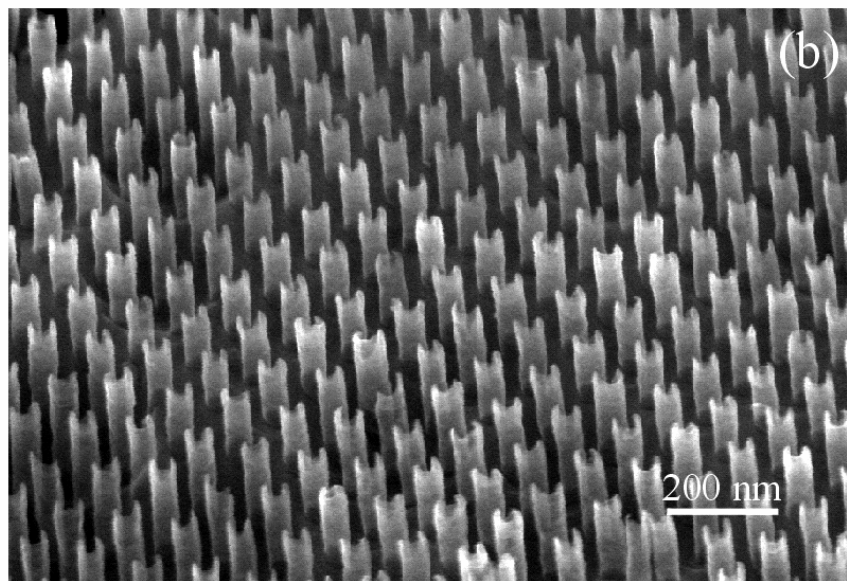
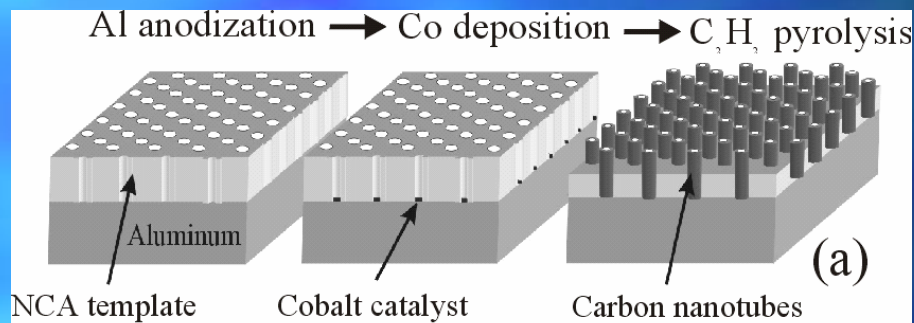


An array of 30 nm diameter Co dots with period of 50 nm; inset shows a block copolymer film self-assembled on a substrate with periodic grooves, providing the pattern with long-range order

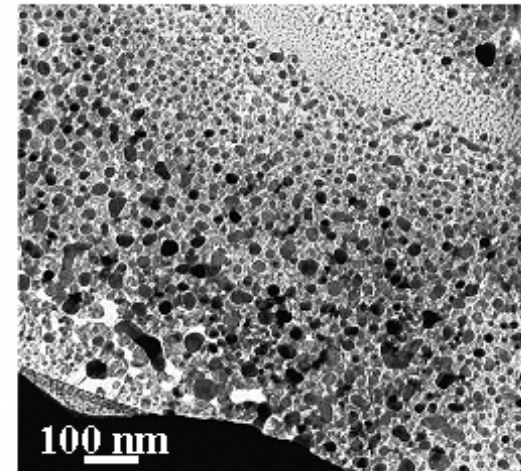
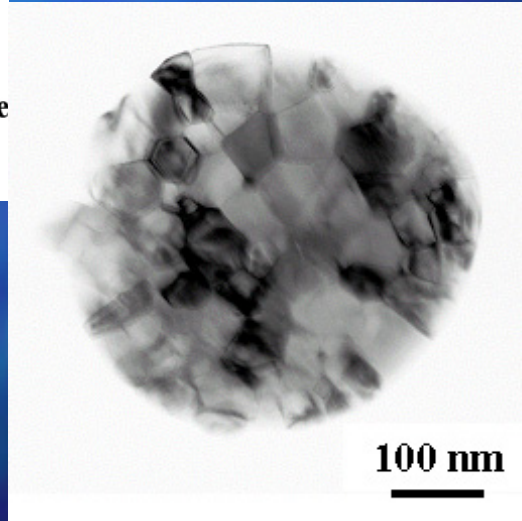
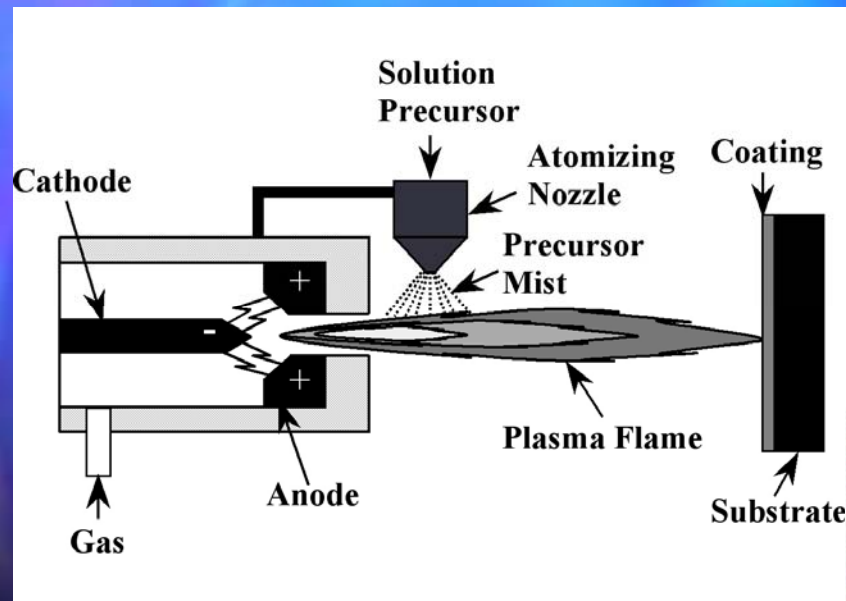


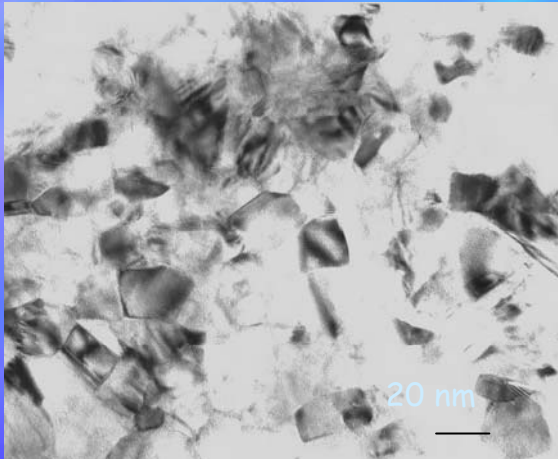
Top and bottom views of a nanopore array (45 nm pore size) produced by anodization

Anodization process and a periodic array of high aspect ratio aligned carbon nanotubes

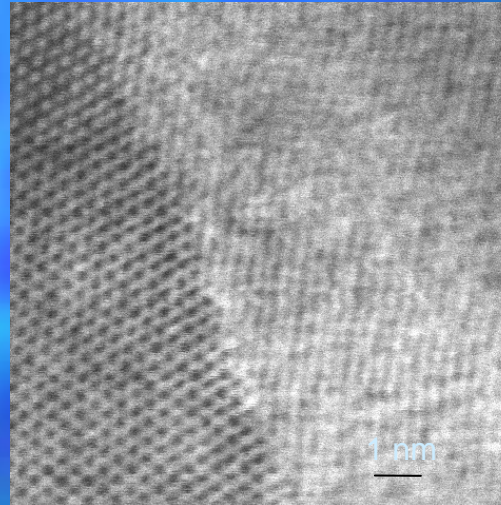


Solution-Precursor Plasma Spray (SPPS) Process





Fine uniform grains (~20-30 nm) in electrodeposited Ni



Crystallinity extending to the boundary and absence of any second phase at the boundary

A complex non-metallic component that has been successfully coated with a nanocrystalline metal by electrodeposition



Application

Improvements using new attached molecules

Colloids

New structural, optical and thermodynamic properties.

Pigments

Better thermal stability without loss of absorption characteristics.

Dispersions

Tailoring of nanoparticle size, and molecular structures.

Emulsions

Engineering of viscosity and particle size.

Anti corrosion Coatings

Better surface mechanical properties, and stability in air.

Ferrofluids

Creation of 'fluid magnets', which can be externally manipulated and be made to exhibit different rheological properties and structure.

Magnetic particles

Below a critical size, magnetic particles are superparamagnetic and the collective magnetic response is fluid. A weak external magnetic field can produce a large response .

Passivated magnetic particles

Magnetic particles can be covered with insulators or molecular overlayers, and the surface made resistant to oxidation or insulated to electrical conduction. These particles can be made bio-compatible and used in medical applications.

Ceramic processing technology

'Customised' ceramics for one-off applications; particularly using stabilised zirconia

Nano-emulsion

Nanoparticle size and composition selected to produce required viscosity and absorption characteristics

Lubricants

Tailored viscosity and thermal expansion properties.

Drug delivery systems

Nanoparticles can determine the chemical reactivity rate, the location and the timing of drug delivery.

Bio-receptors for energy transfer

Nanocomposites can be designed to exhibit well defined singlet or triplet excitonic absorption spectra. These localised bundles of light energy can be transferred over long distances to a 'receptor' and used for example for photochemistry or charge generation (e.g. the photoelectric cell).

Cosmetics and UV protection gels

The addition of nanoparticles can influence the flow characteristics and mechanical properties of cosmetics, as well as the absorption of harmful radiation.

Sol-gel technology

In the design of different types of materials

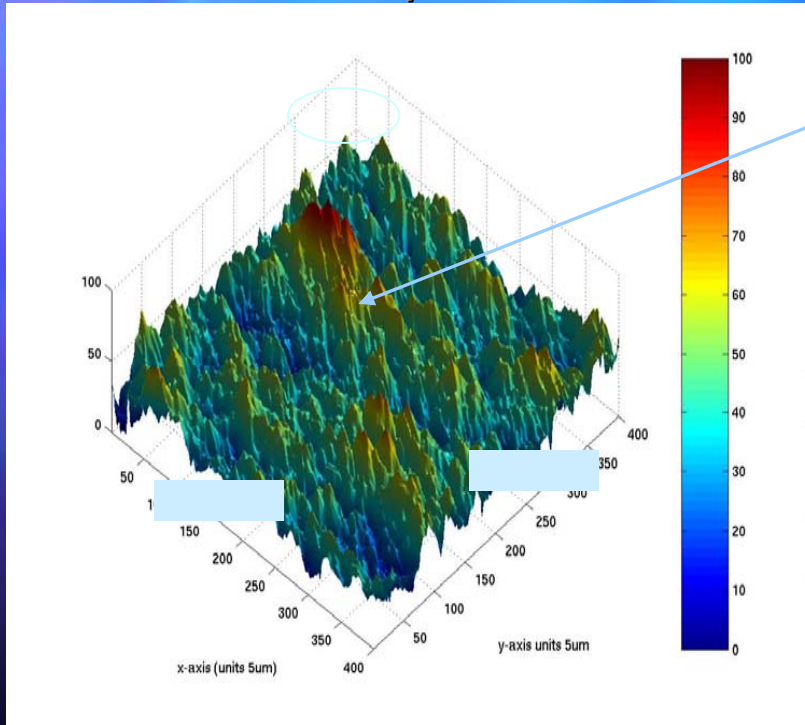
The Role of Paper Micro-Nano Structures on Commercial Paper Printability

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Associate Professor in Materials Science and Engineering, McMaster University 2002-
- **Education**
Ph.D. – McGill University, Condensed Matter Physics - 1994
- **Work Experience**
Research Fellow – University of Helsinki – random fibre networks and paper structure modelling –1994-1996.
Research Associate – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – solidification microstructure modelling -1996-1999.
Research Scientist –Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada –1999-2002



Virtual Paper Microstructures and Impact Printing

Uncalendered Paper Surface

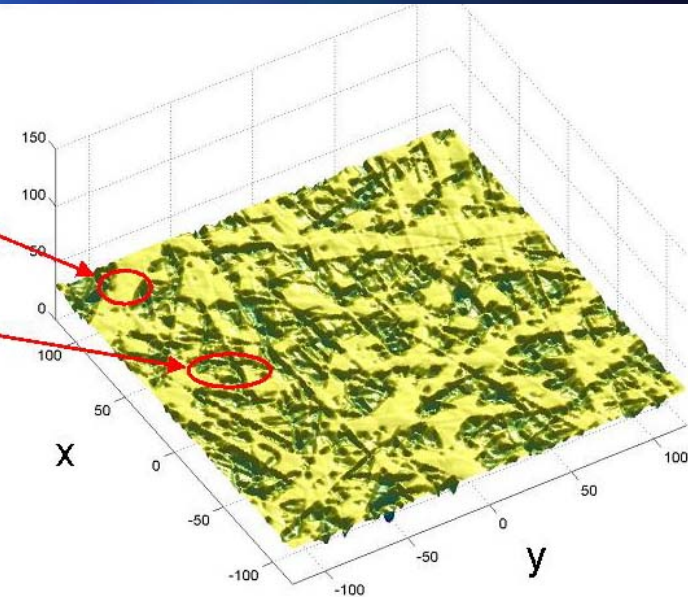


*Paper surface Asperities:
nano-micro scale variation*

Calendered Paper Surface

Contact surface

Surface pores

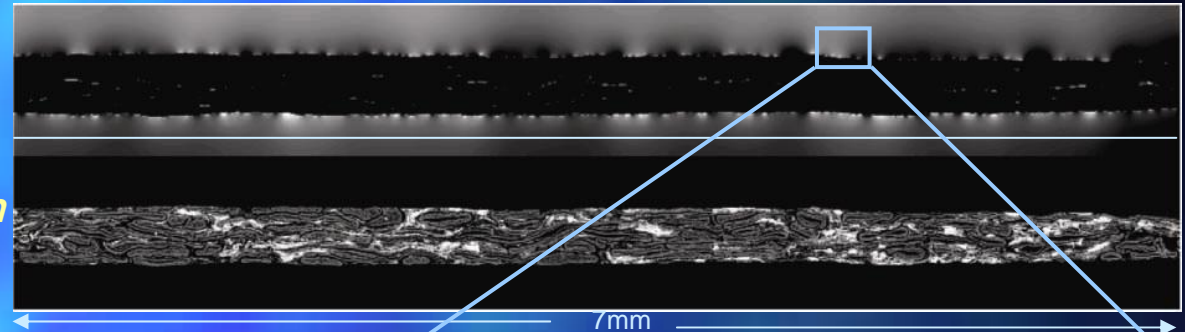


Surface roughness → source of print density (mottle) in commercial paper

Virtual Paper Microstructures and Xerographic Printing

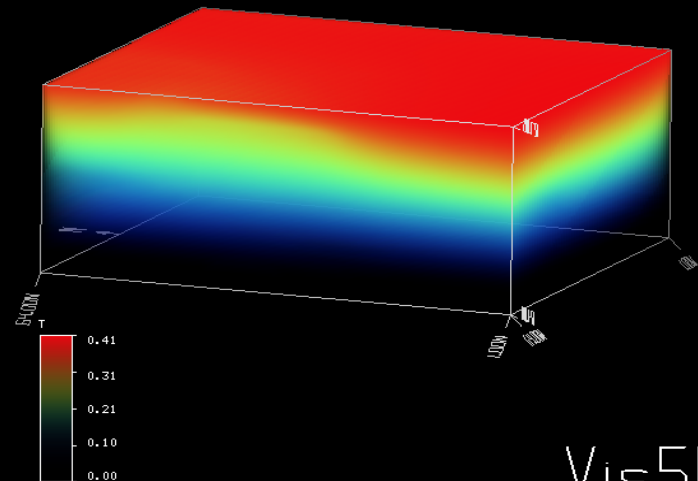
Electrostatic field variation

*Digitized paper cross-section
(by SEM)*



*New 3D parallel, Multi-Grid code
computes local (nanometer-micrometer)
variations of electrostatic transfer forces on
xerographic toner from virtual or
experimental paper maps*

3D electrostatic potential variation



Paper thickness & mass variations → source of electrostatic transfer forces

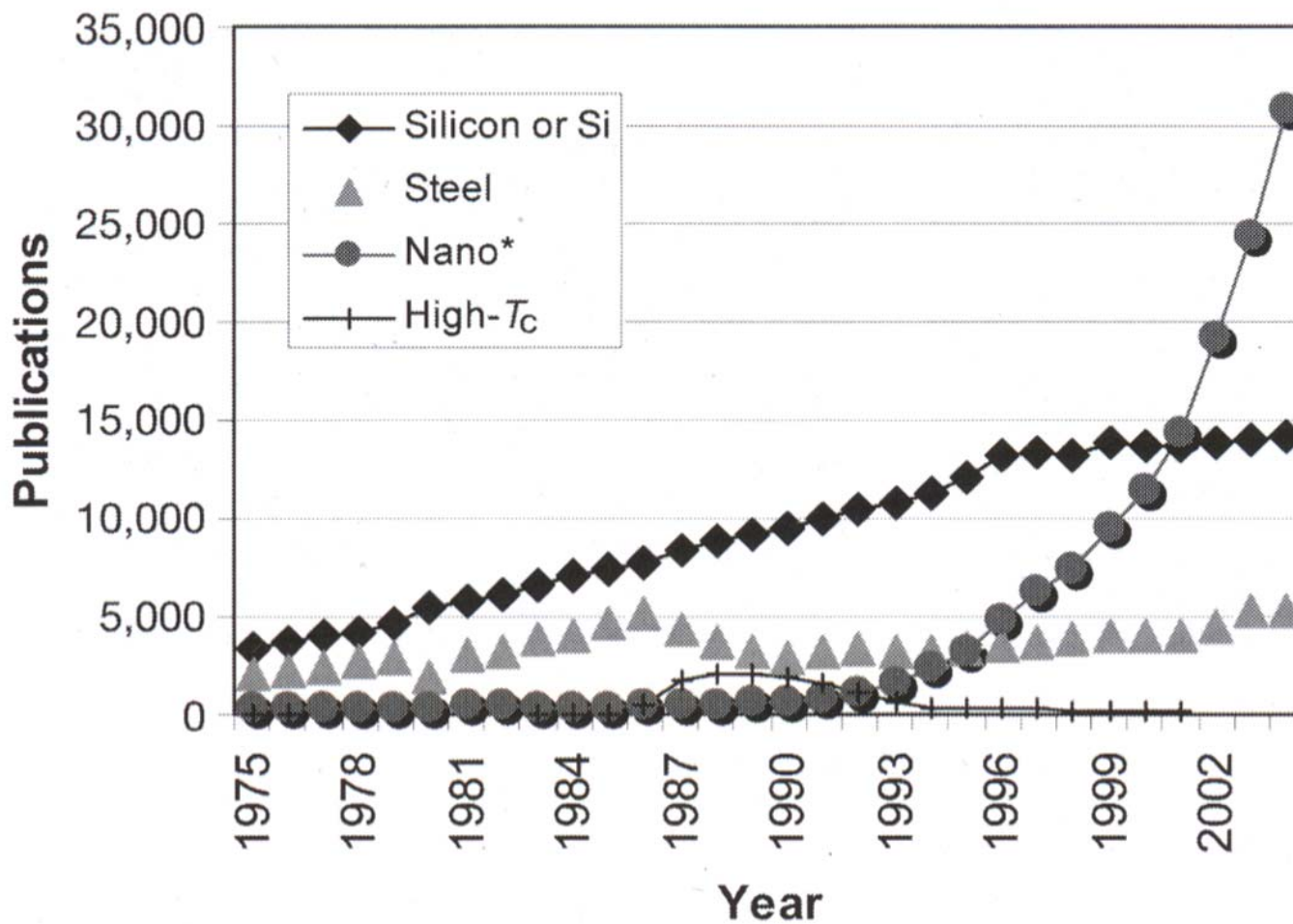


Figure 1. Publications over time by material topic.

Table I: Correlation of Publications to Economic Activity.

Topic	2004 Papers	2004 Revenue (\$ Billions)	2004 Ratio (paper/\$1B revenue)	Growth	2010 Revenue (\$ Billions)	2010 Ratio (paper/\$1B revenue)
Silicon	14,185	160	88.7	10%	290	49
III-V	1300	13	100.0	17%	33	39
Steel	5354	205	26.1	3%	245	22
Nitrides	1200	2.5	480.0	47%	25	48
Nano	30,828	?	?	?	?	?

Source: MRS

Federal Support of Research, FY 1970 - 2004

