

Impedance Control for Robotic Assembly

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Topics

- Swing Free Control
- Laser Tag
- Impedance Control
- Peg and Hole Assembly - jamming / wedging
- Real-time Control to Prevent Jamming and Wedging
- Assembly using Attractive Regions
- DARPA demos
- Conclusions

Swing-Free Trajectory

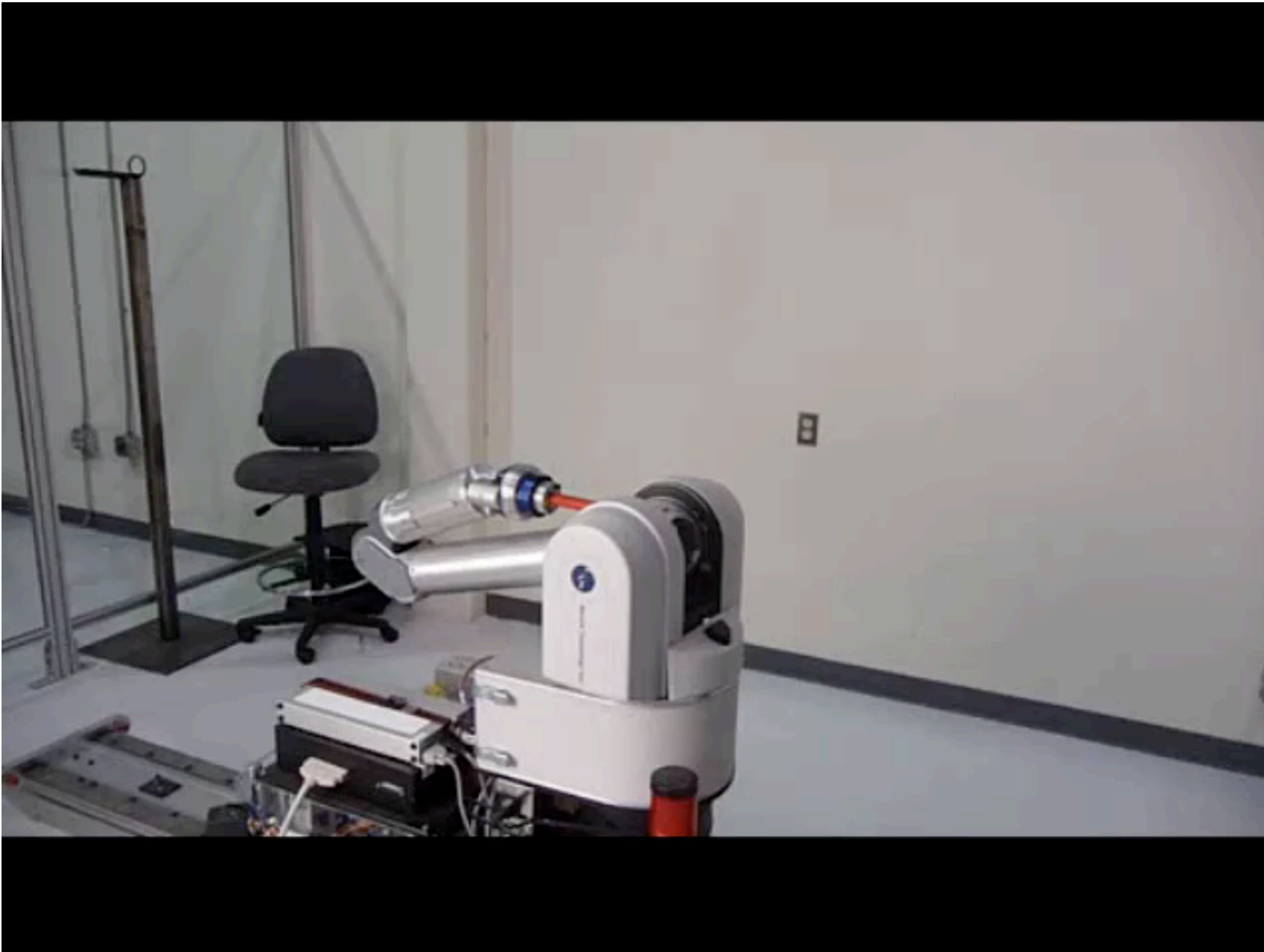
Laser Tag



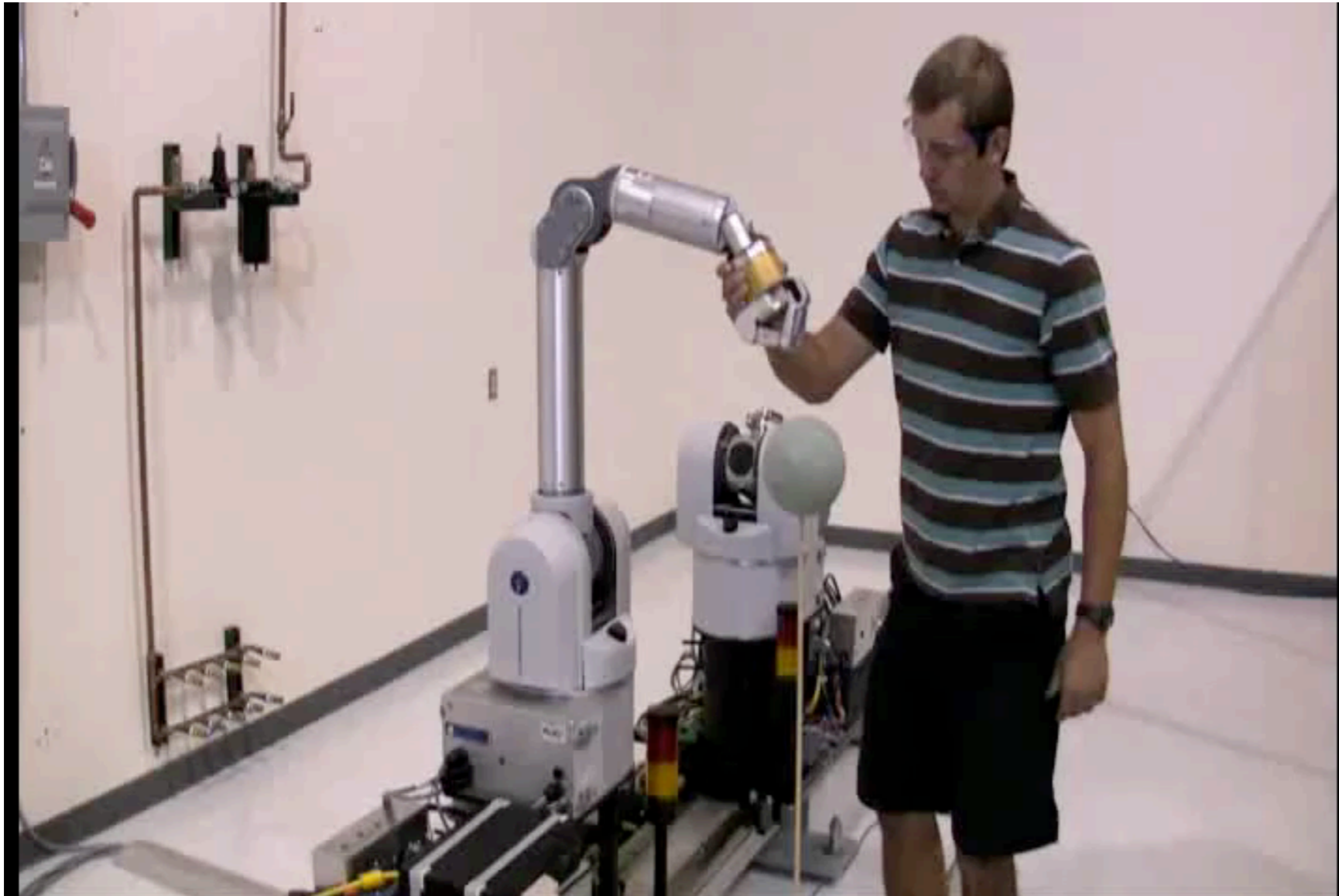
The Lab



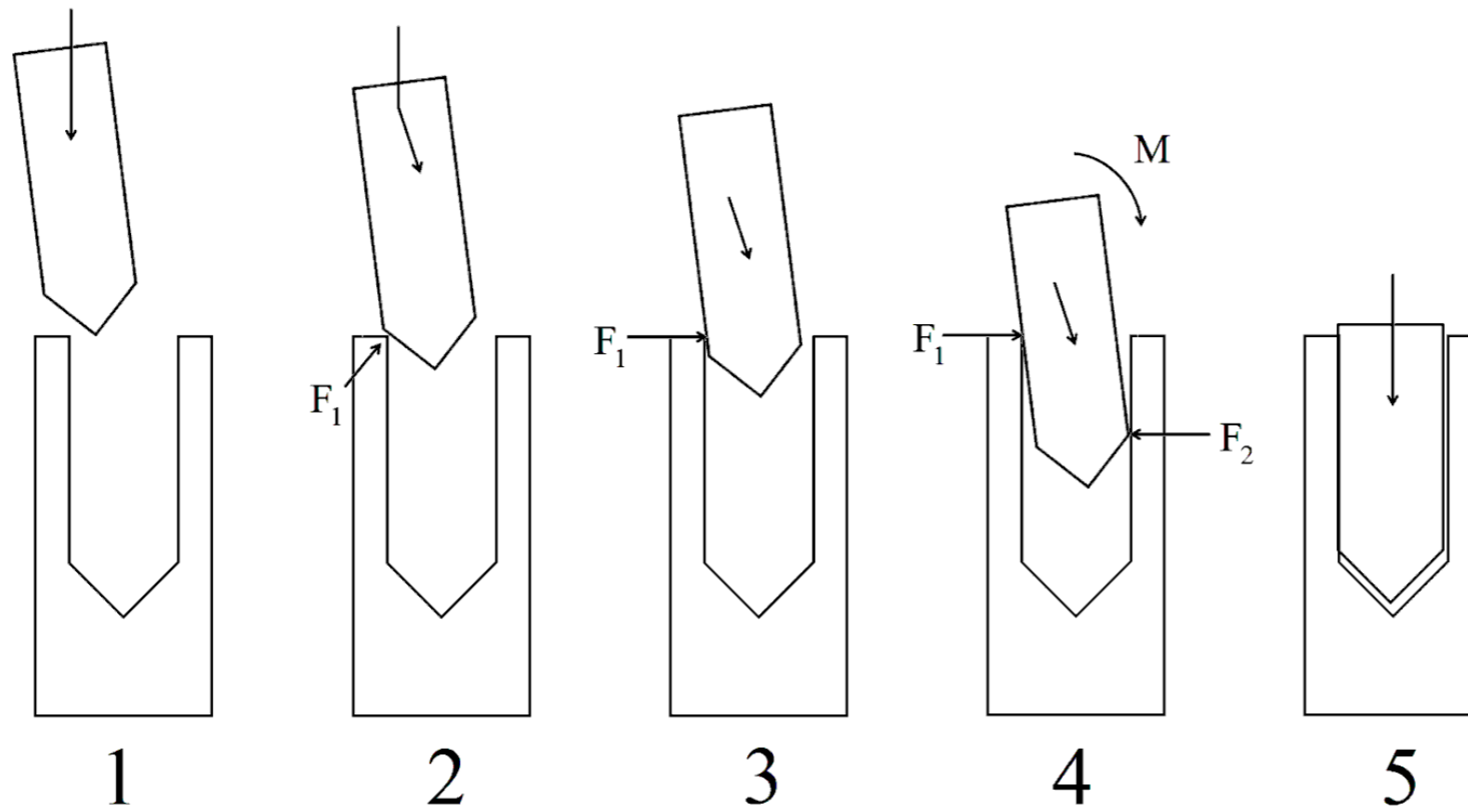
Impedance Control Concept



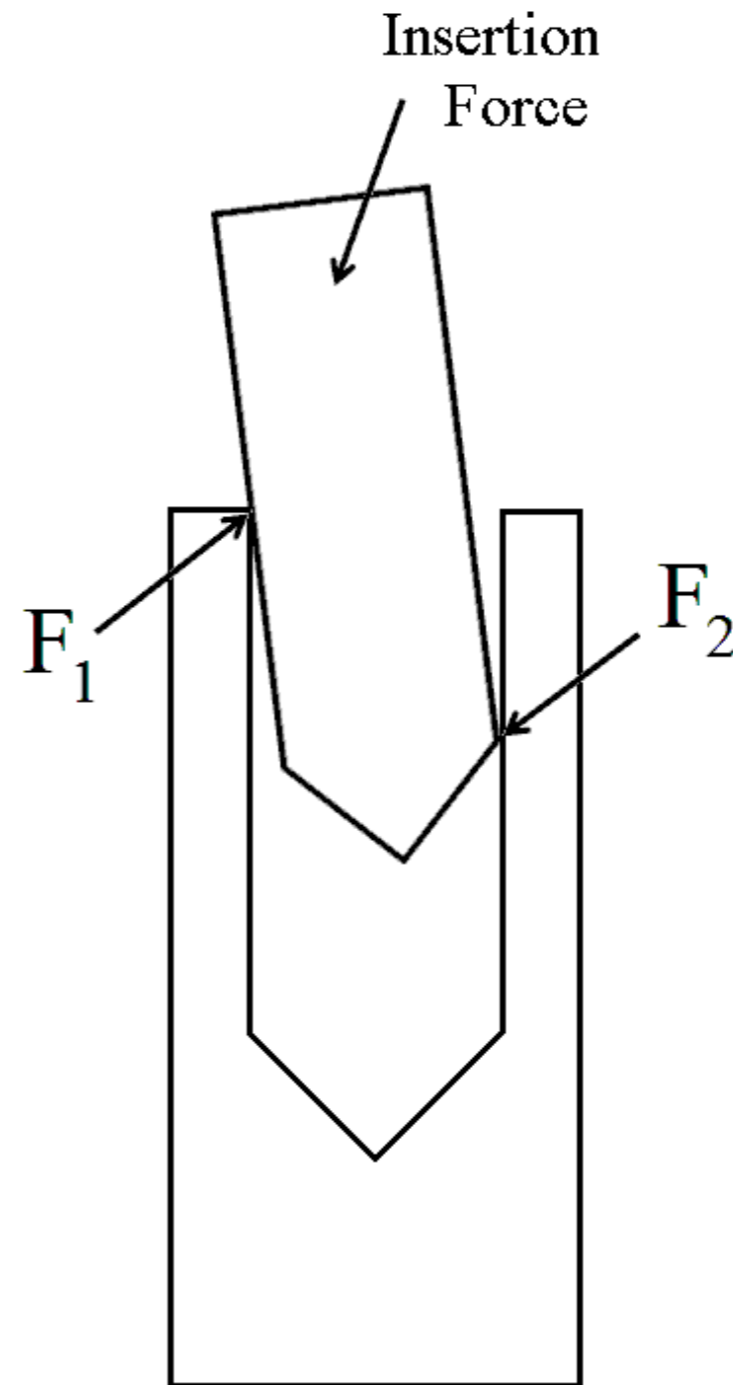
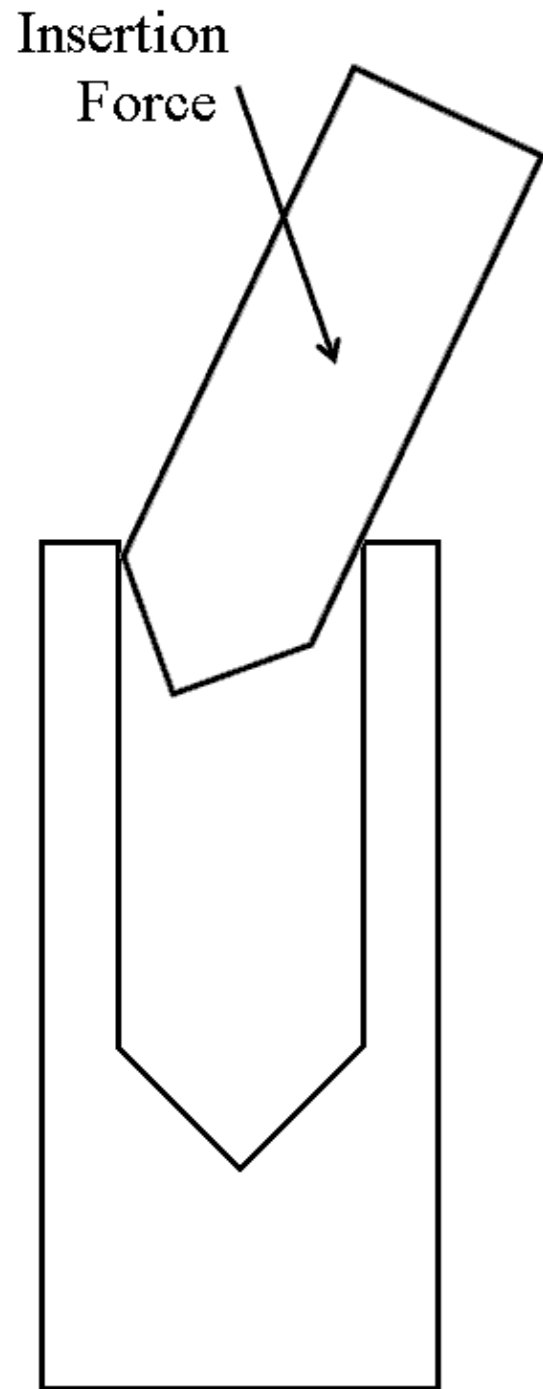
Impedance Control - Sphere Avoidance



Peg in Hole Assembly



Jamming and Wedging



Chamfer Crossing Analysis

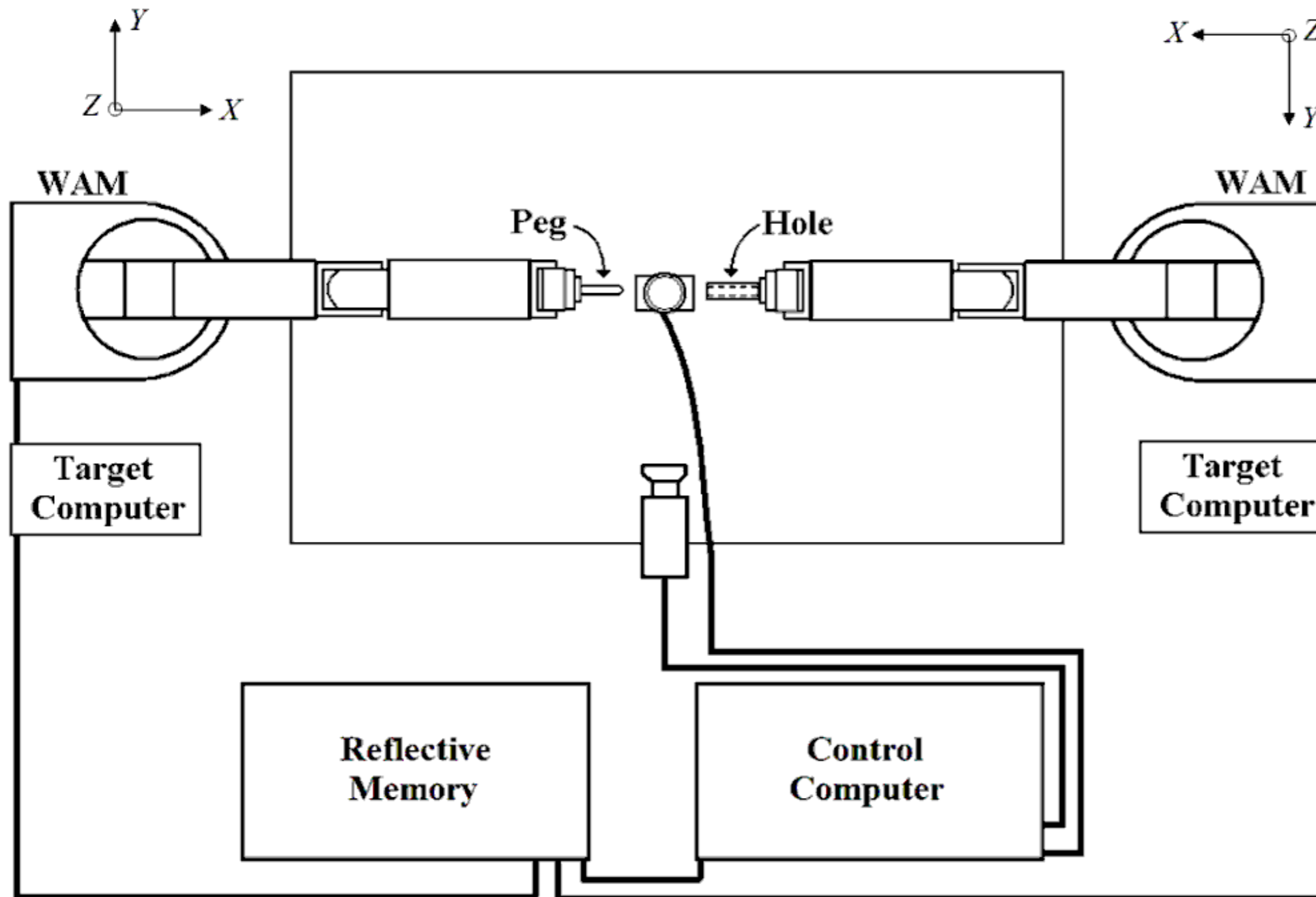
$$F_z = \frac{K_x K_\theta (\cos(\pi/2 - \alpha) + \mu \sin(\pi/2 - \alpha)) \left(\frac{z}{\tan(\pi/2 - \alpha)} \right)}{(K_x L^2 + K_\theta) (\sin(\pi/2 - \alpha) - \mu \cos(\pi/2 - \alpha)) - K_x L r (\cos(\pi/2 - \alpha) + \mu \sin(\pi/2 - \alpha))}$$

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$$M = \frac{K_x L K_\theta \left(\frac{z}{\tan(\pi/2 - \alpha)} \right) (\sin(\pi/2 - \alpha) - \mu \cos(\pi/2 - \alpha))}{(K_x L^2 + K_\theta) (\sin(\pi/2 - \alpha) - \mu \cos(\pi/2 - \alpha)) - K_x L r (\cos(\pi/2 - \alpha) + \mu \sin(\pi/2 - \alpha))}$$

$$- \frac{K_x K_\theta \left(\frac{z}{\tan(\pi/2 - \alpha)} \right) (L (\sin(\pi/2 - \alpha) - \mu \cos(\pi/2 - \alpha)) - r (\cos(\pi/2 - \alpha) + \mu \sin(\pi/2 - \alpha)))}{(K_x L^2 + K_\theta) (\sin(\pi/2 - \alpha) - \mu \cos(\pi/2 - \alpha)) - K_x L r (\cos(\pi/2 - \alpha) + \mu \sin(\pi/2 - \alpha))}$$

Lab Schematic

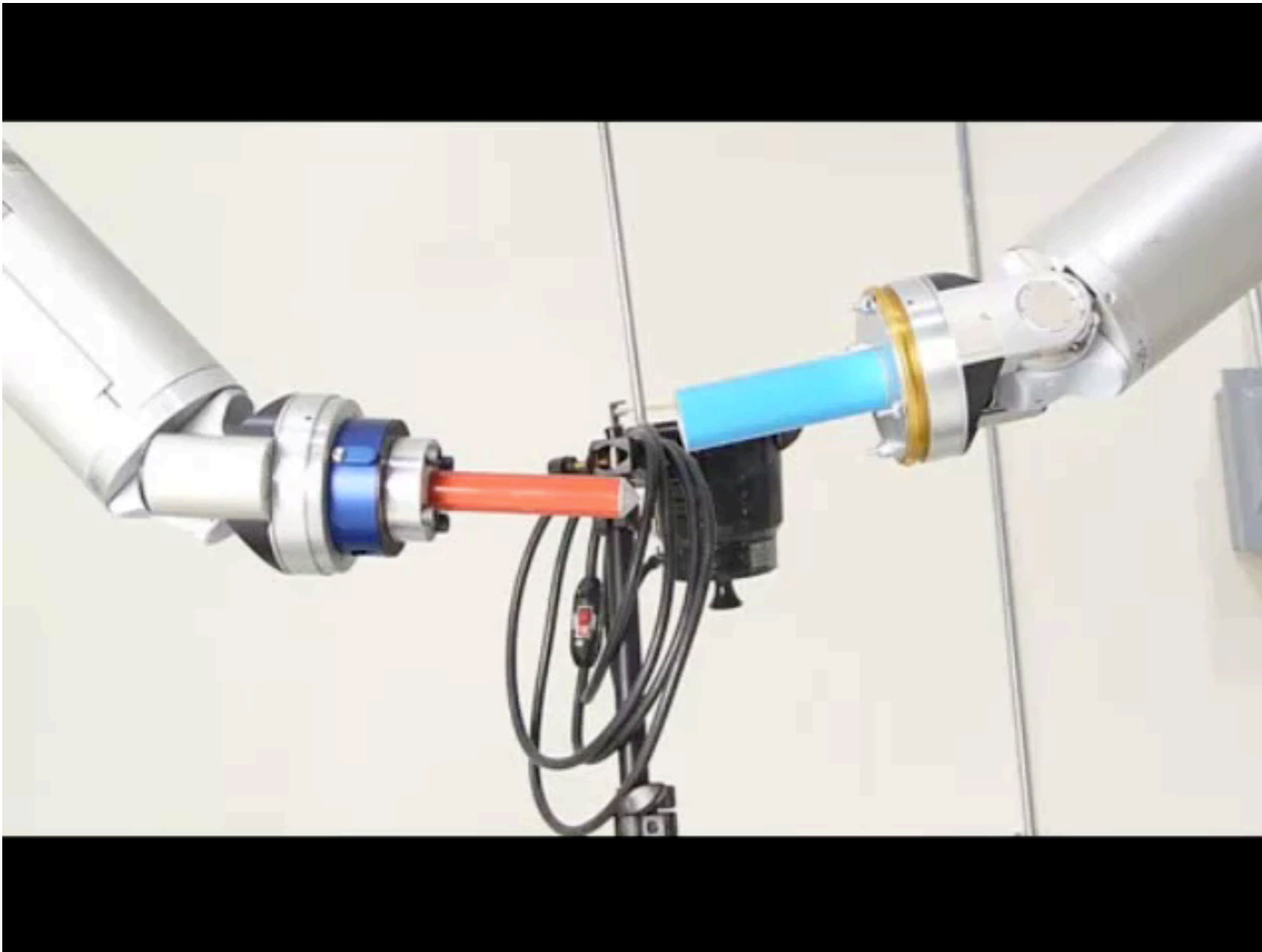


Failure Example

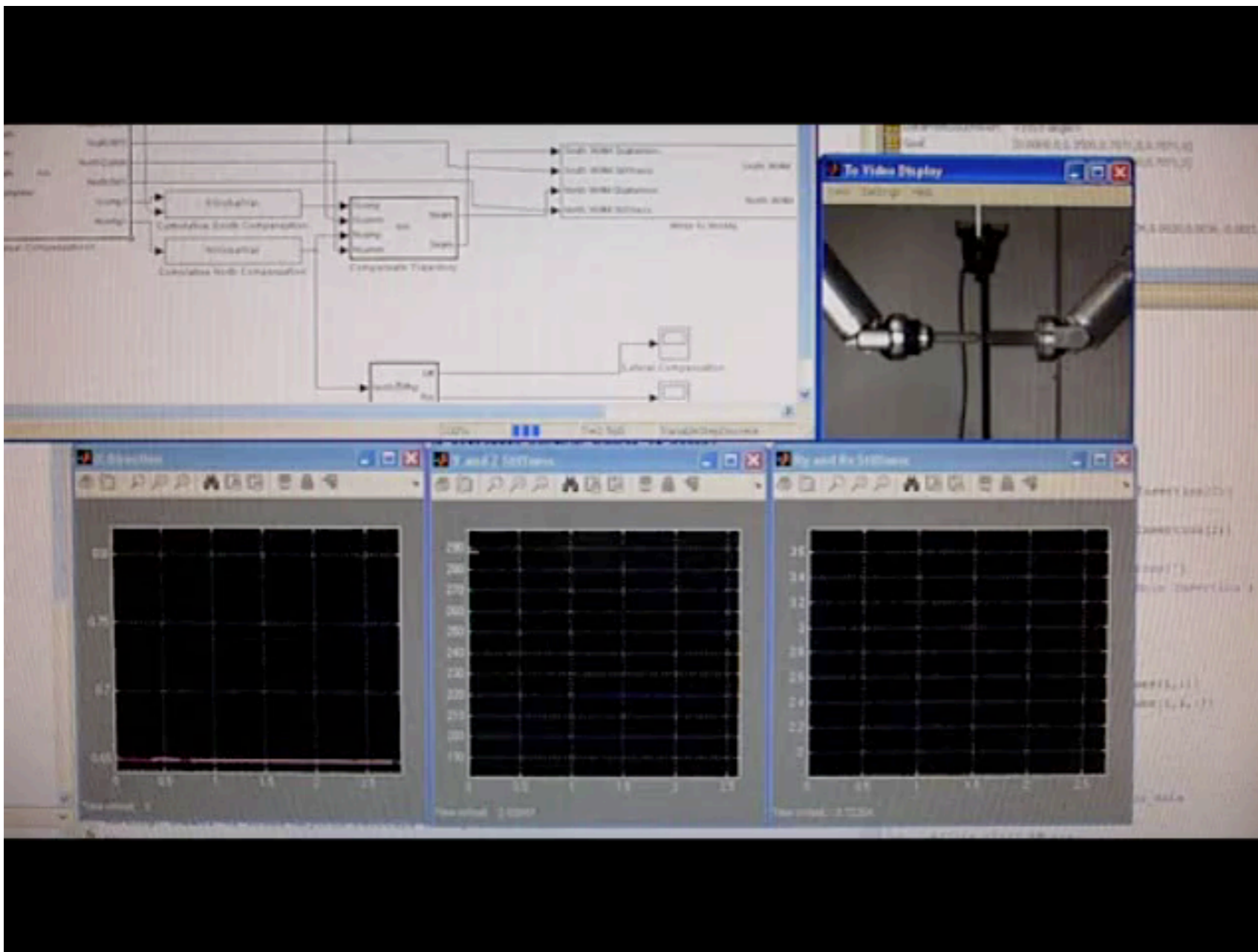
WAM Impedance
Controller for Peg
and Hole Assembly

Virtual RCC Turned OFF

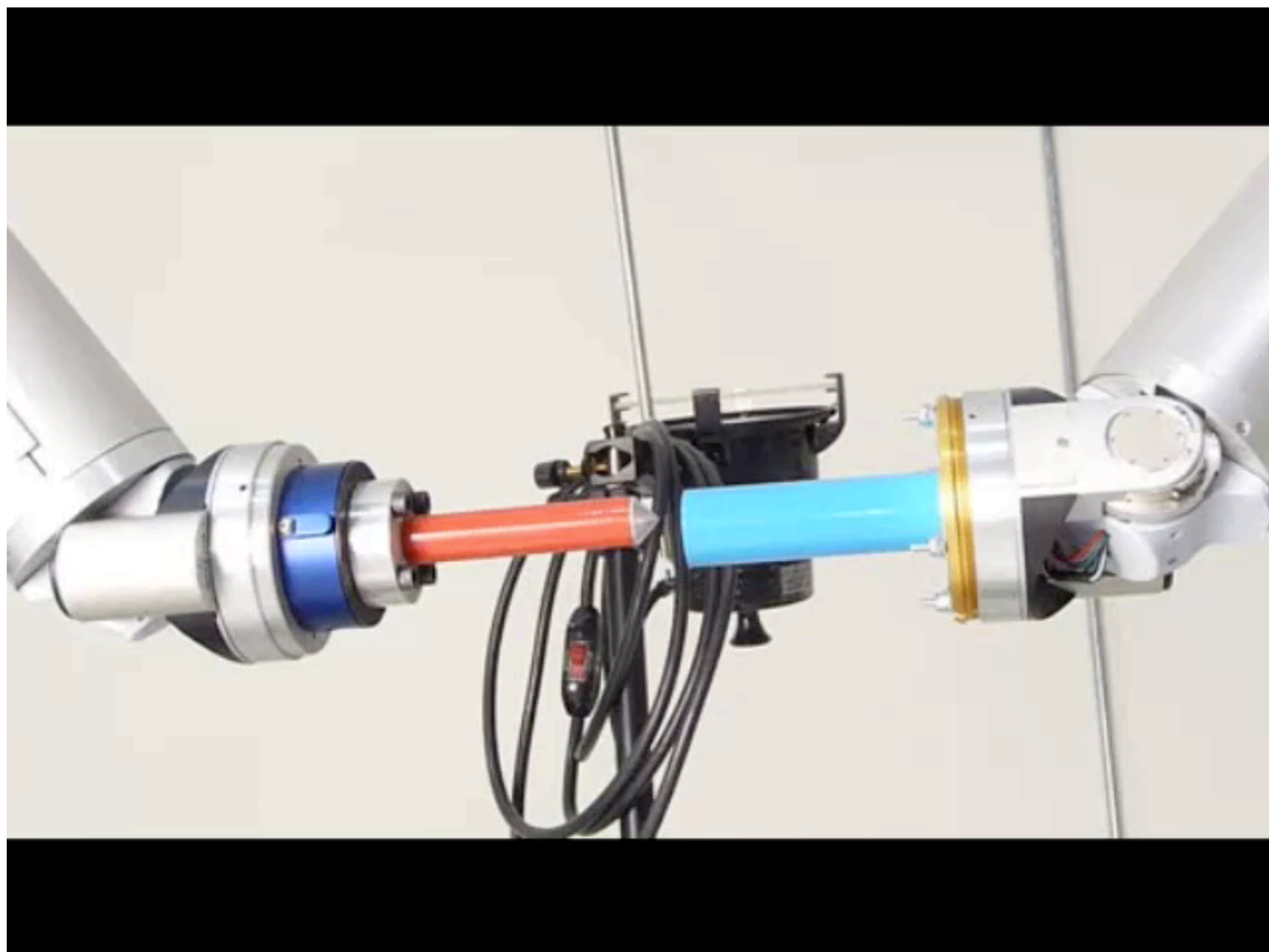
3 Second Insertion



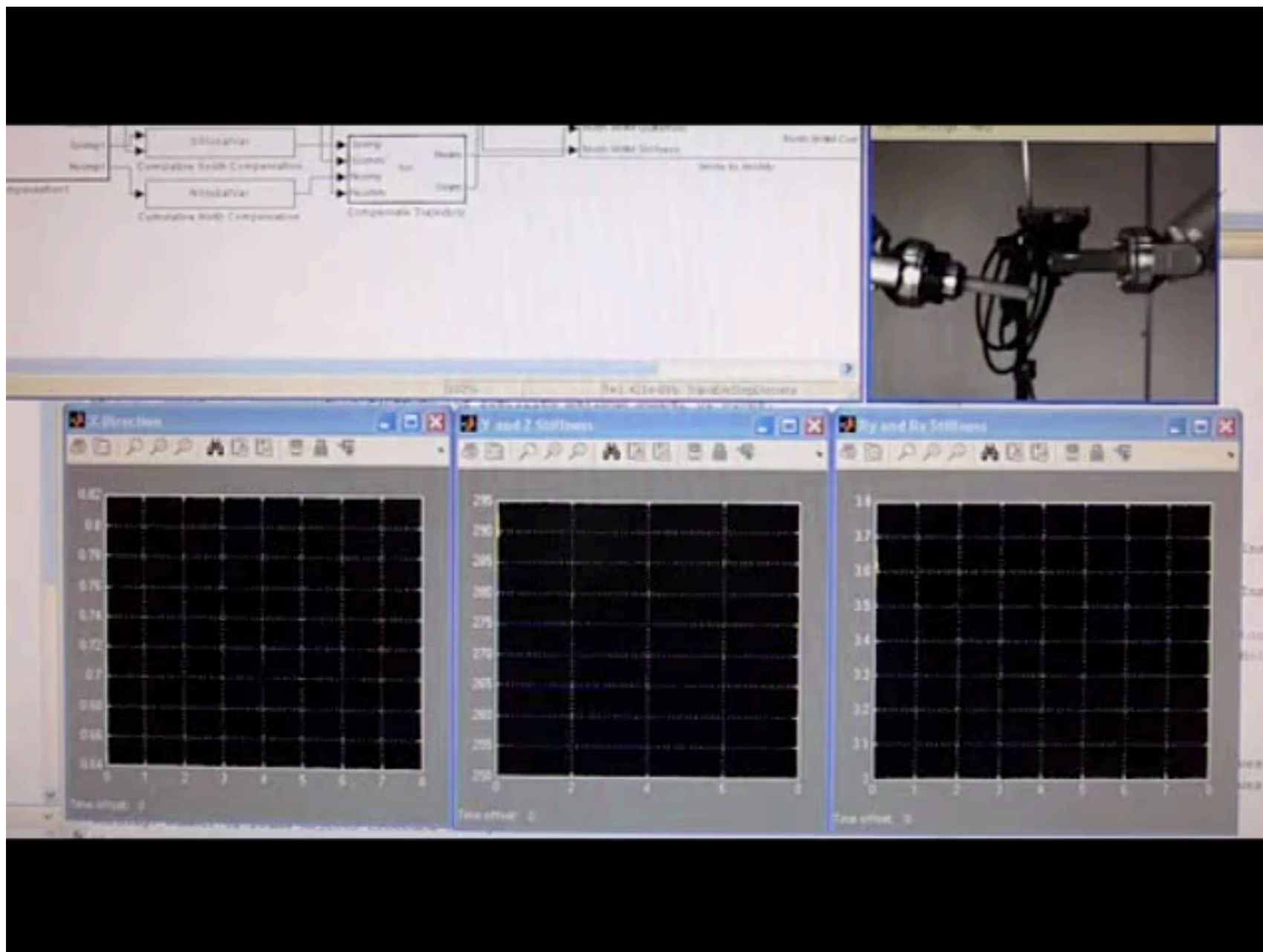
2 Seconds - No Jam



1 Second Insertion



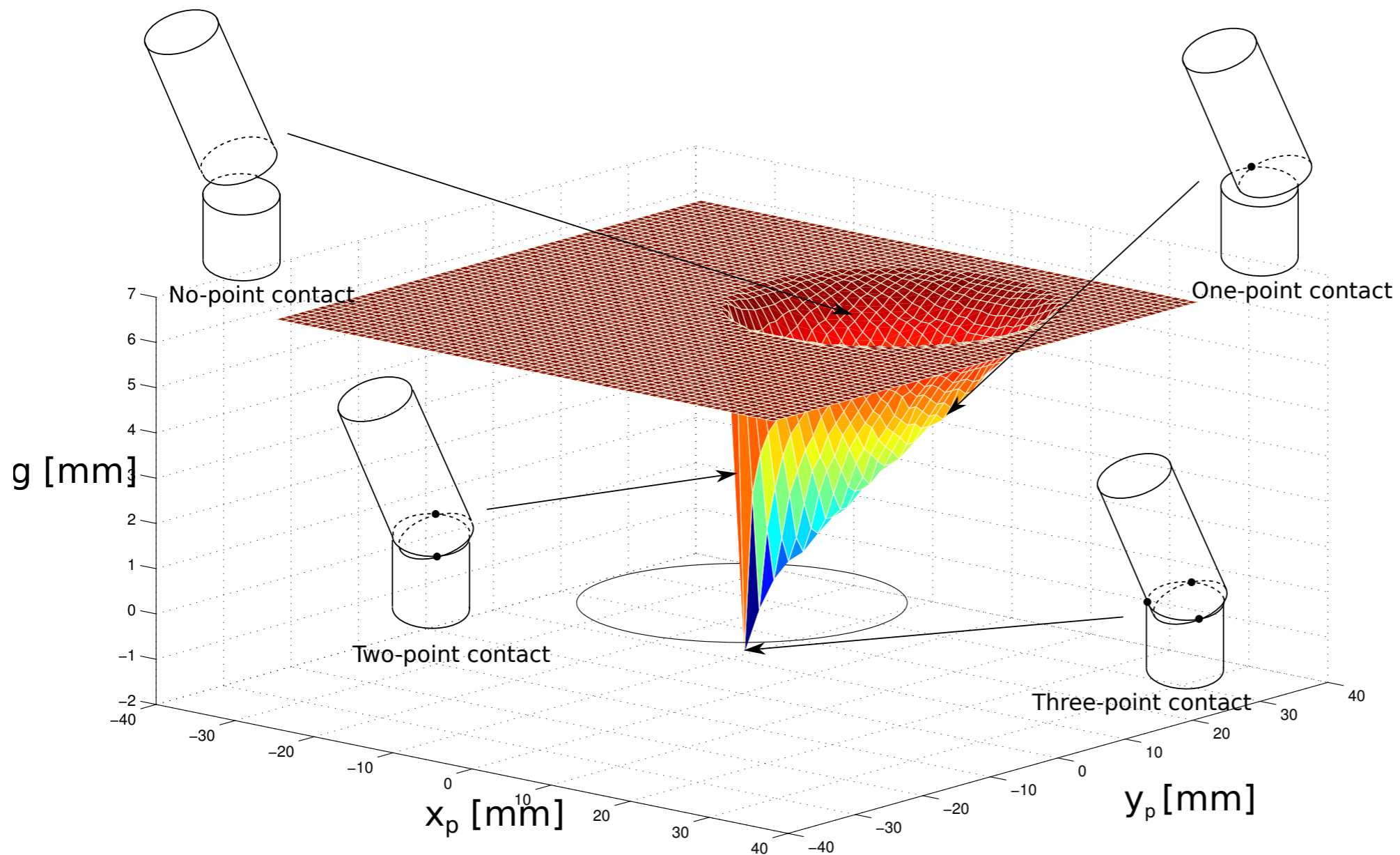
Clear Major Jam



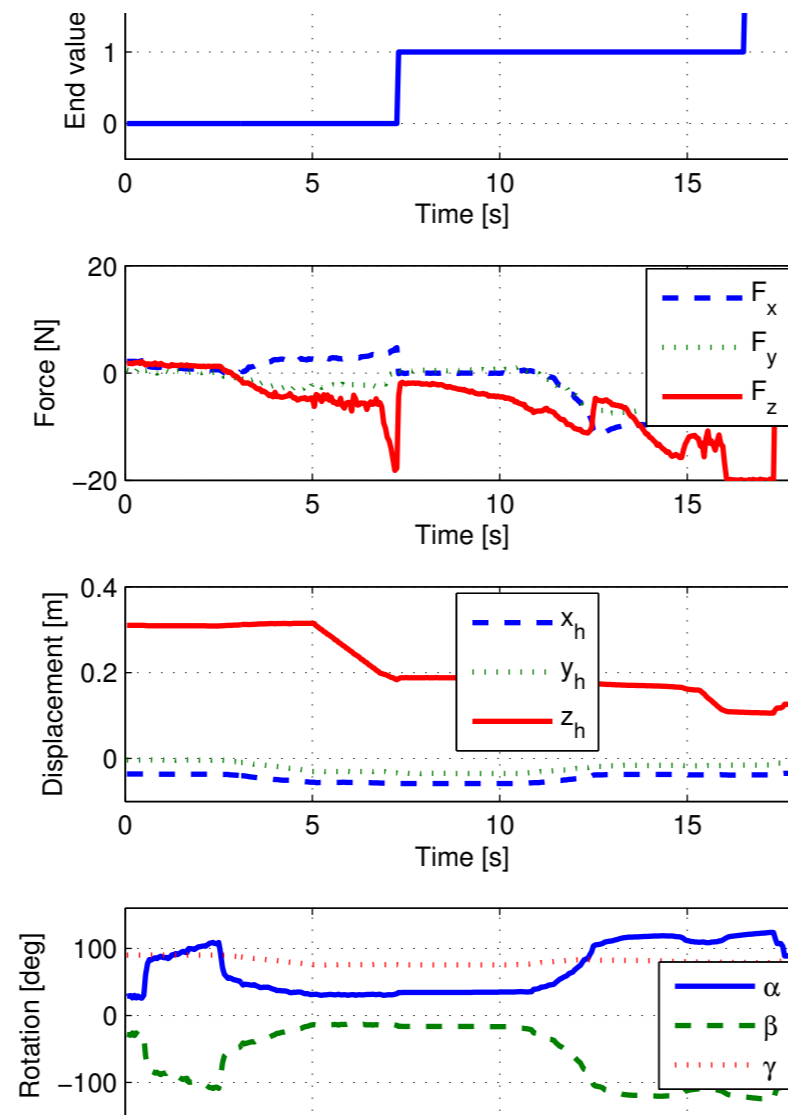
Assembly Planning

- Matteo Gilli, Politecnico di Torino
- Attractive regions + decomposition of 6-D configuration space
- Impedance controller
- Use of “events” rather than time to plan sequence

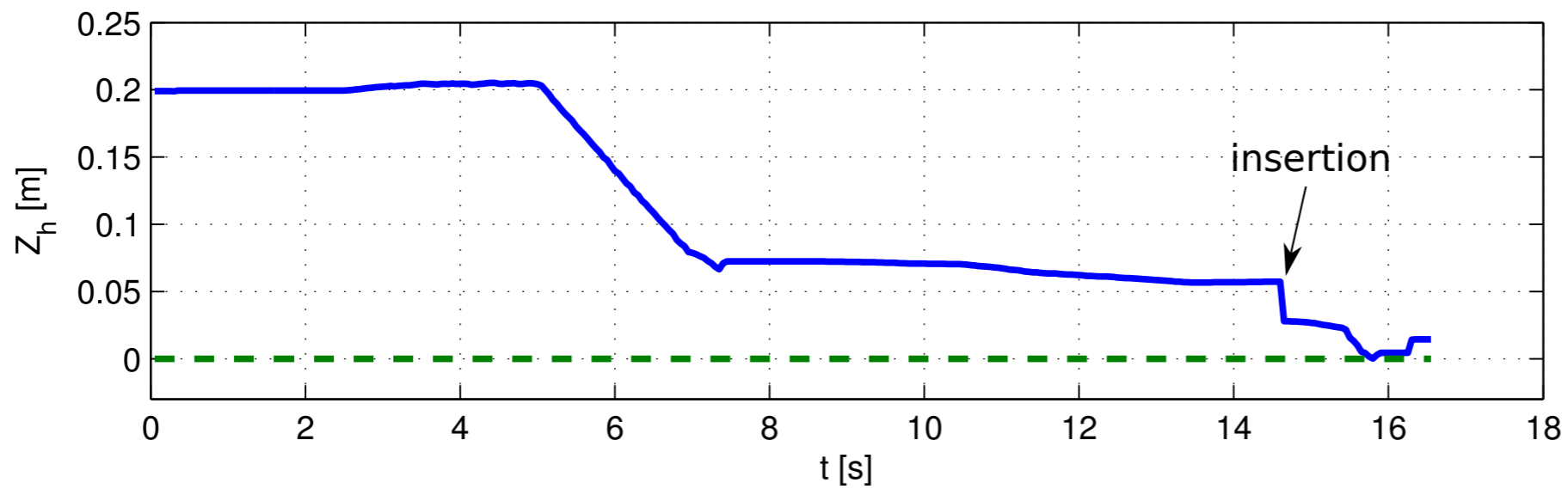
Attractive Region



States not Time



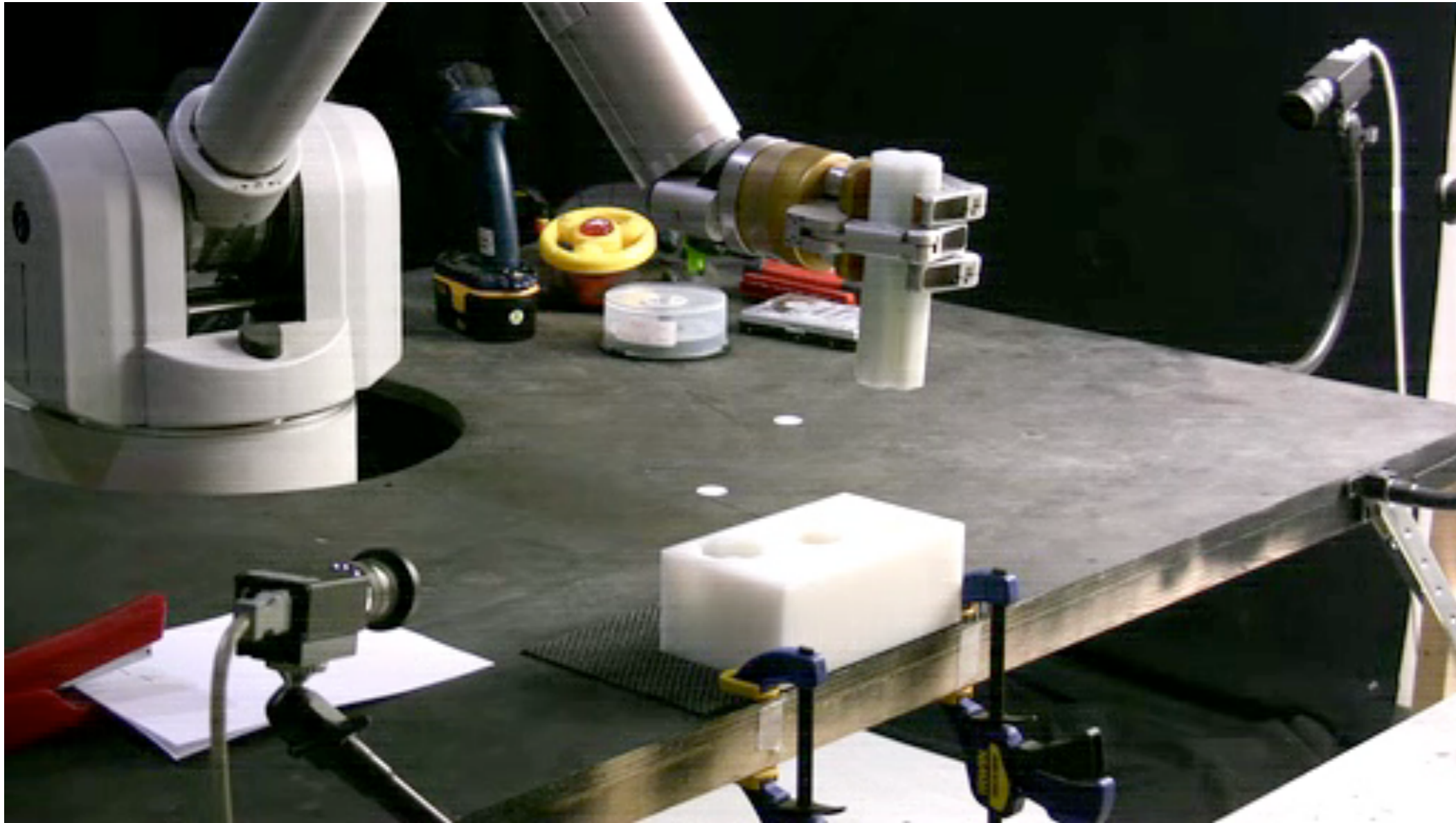
Insertion Progress



Grasp Peg



Insert Peg



Staple and Drag

Key Insertion

Open Door

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Conclusions

- Non-impedance control algorithms
 - swing-free
 - laser tag
- Impedance control algorithms
 - assembly
 - staple and drag
 - key insertion
 - door opening

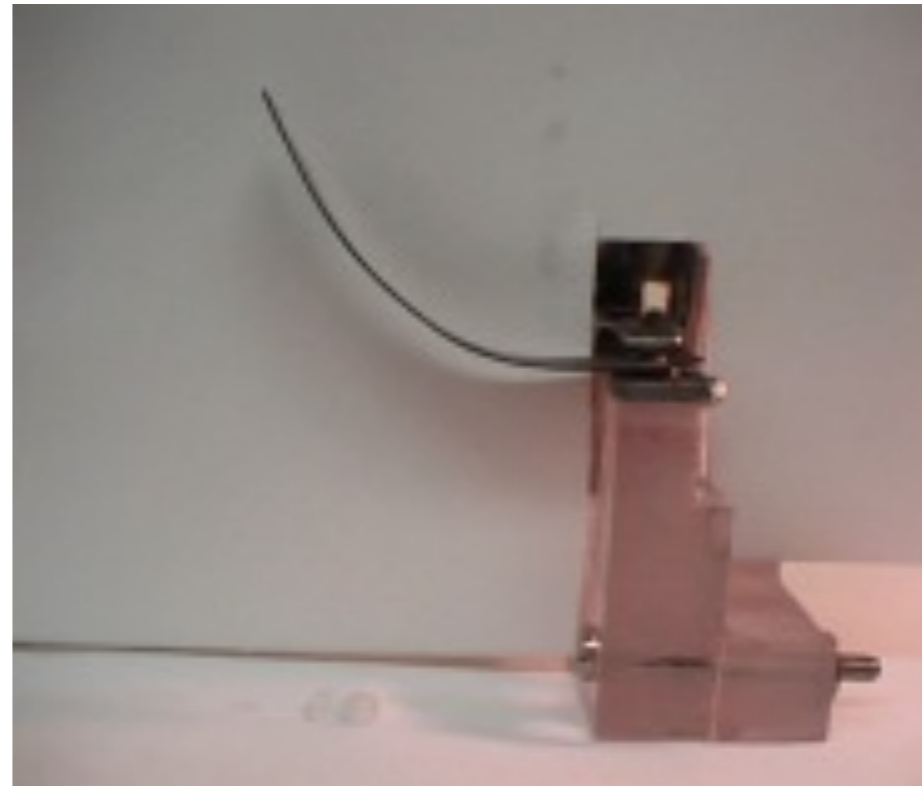
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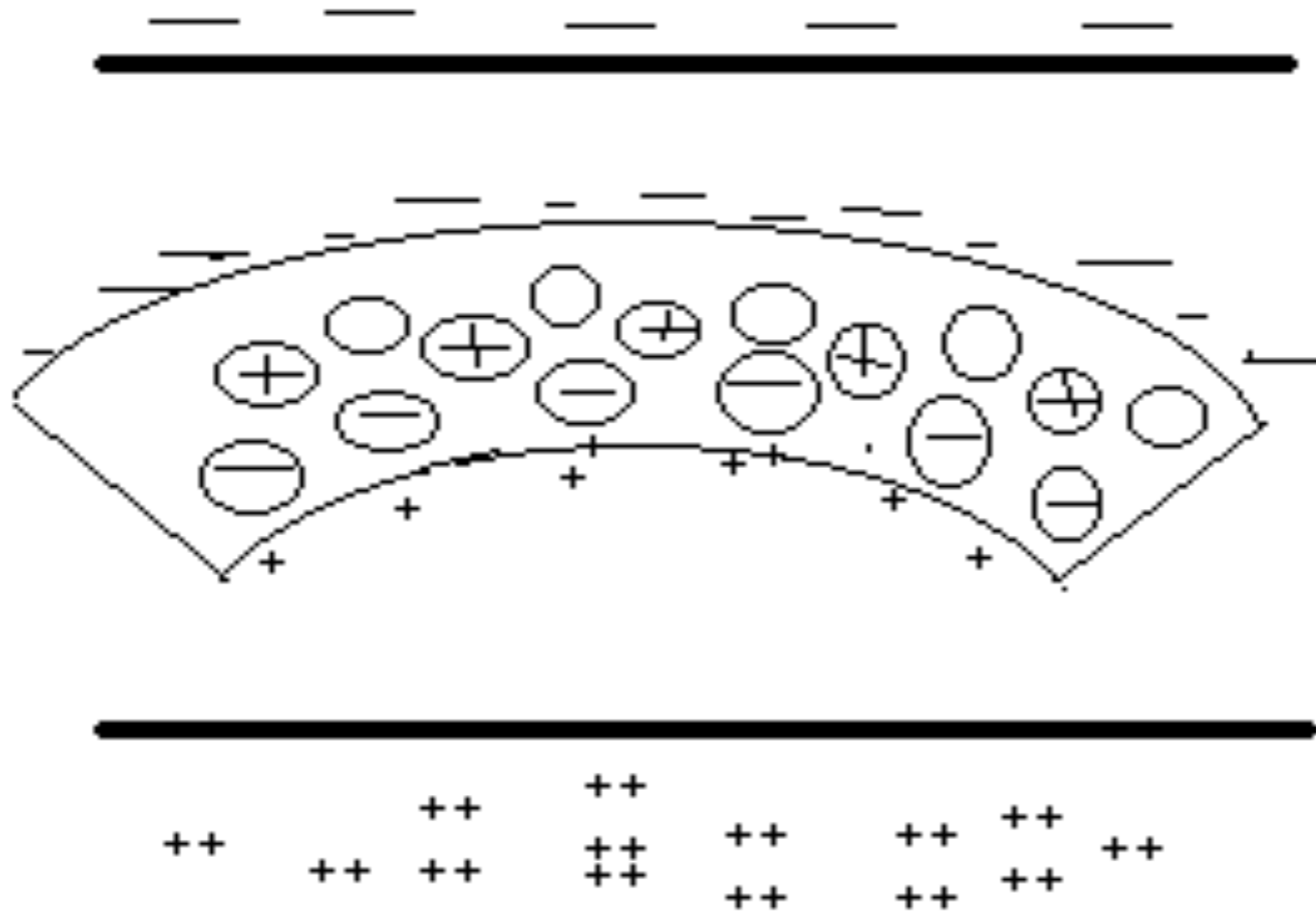
Robotics: Small

- Ionic Polymer Metal Composite (IPMC) microgrippers
- Biological applications, e.g., cell micromanipulation

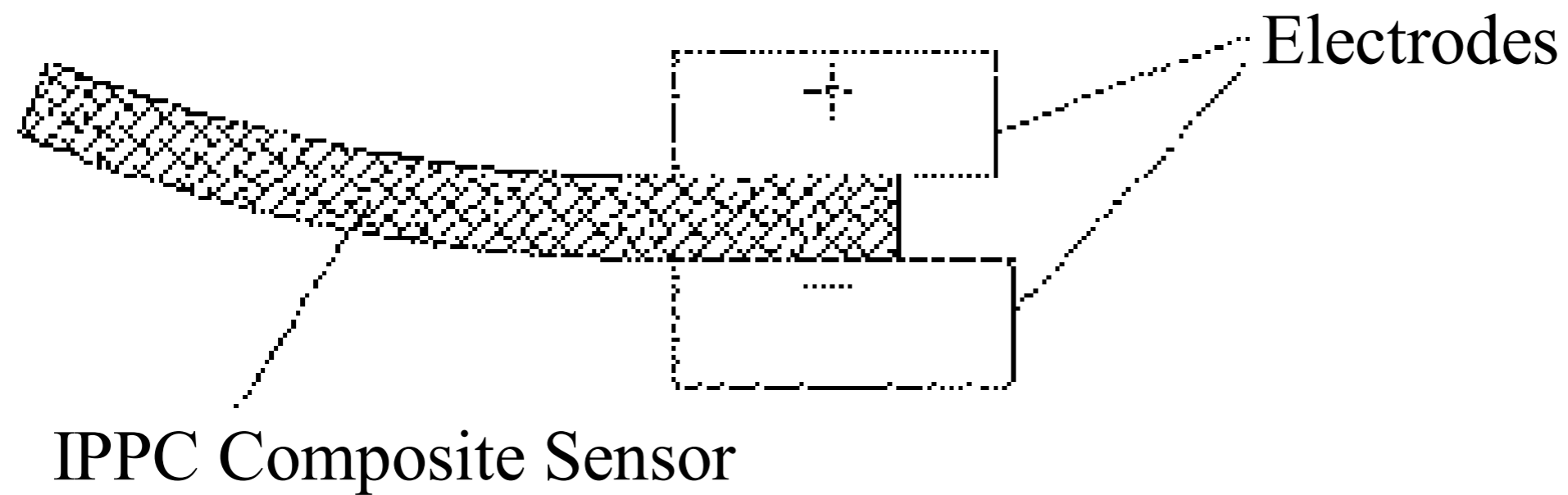
IPMC Microgrippers



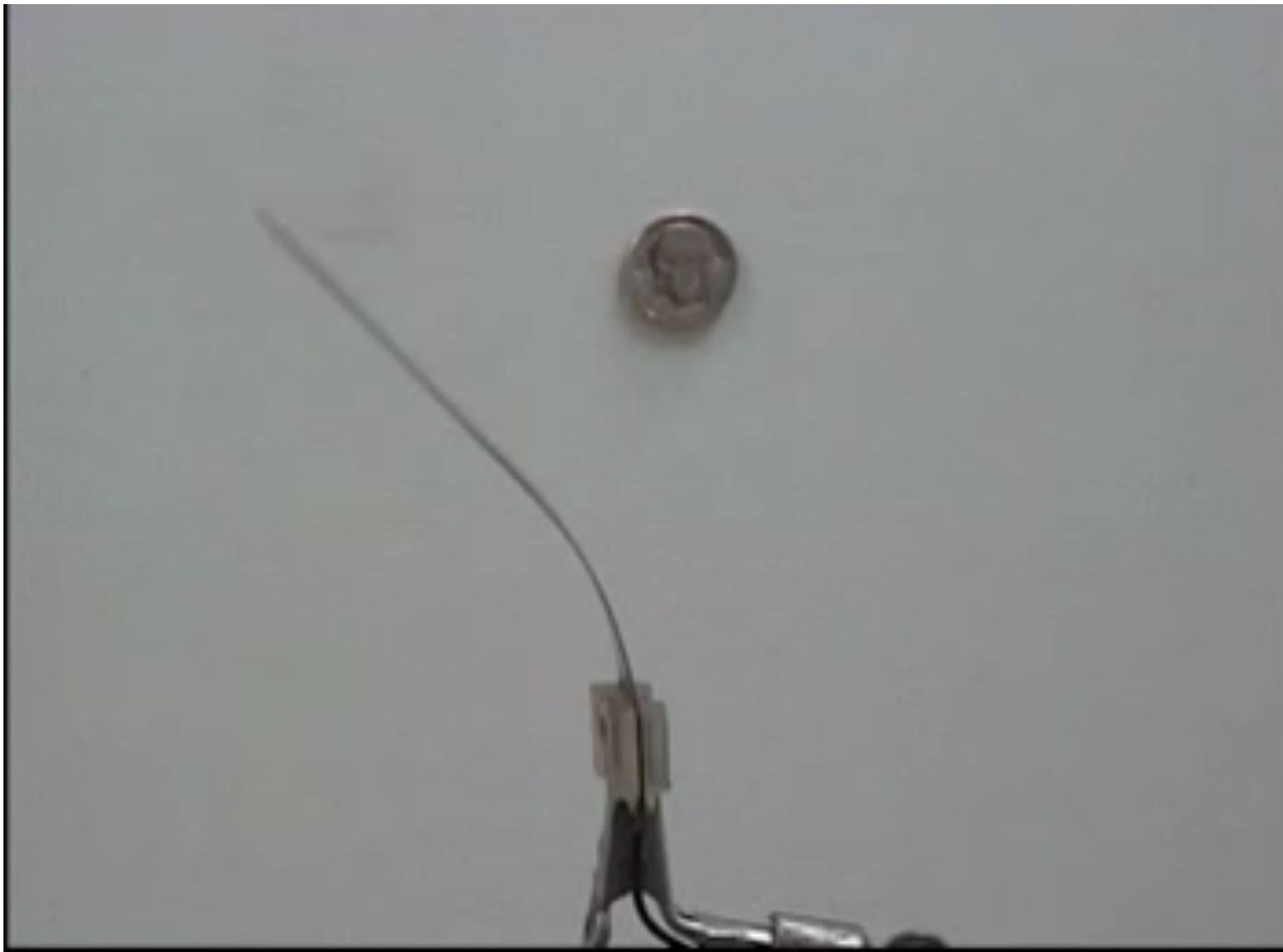
IPMC Actuators



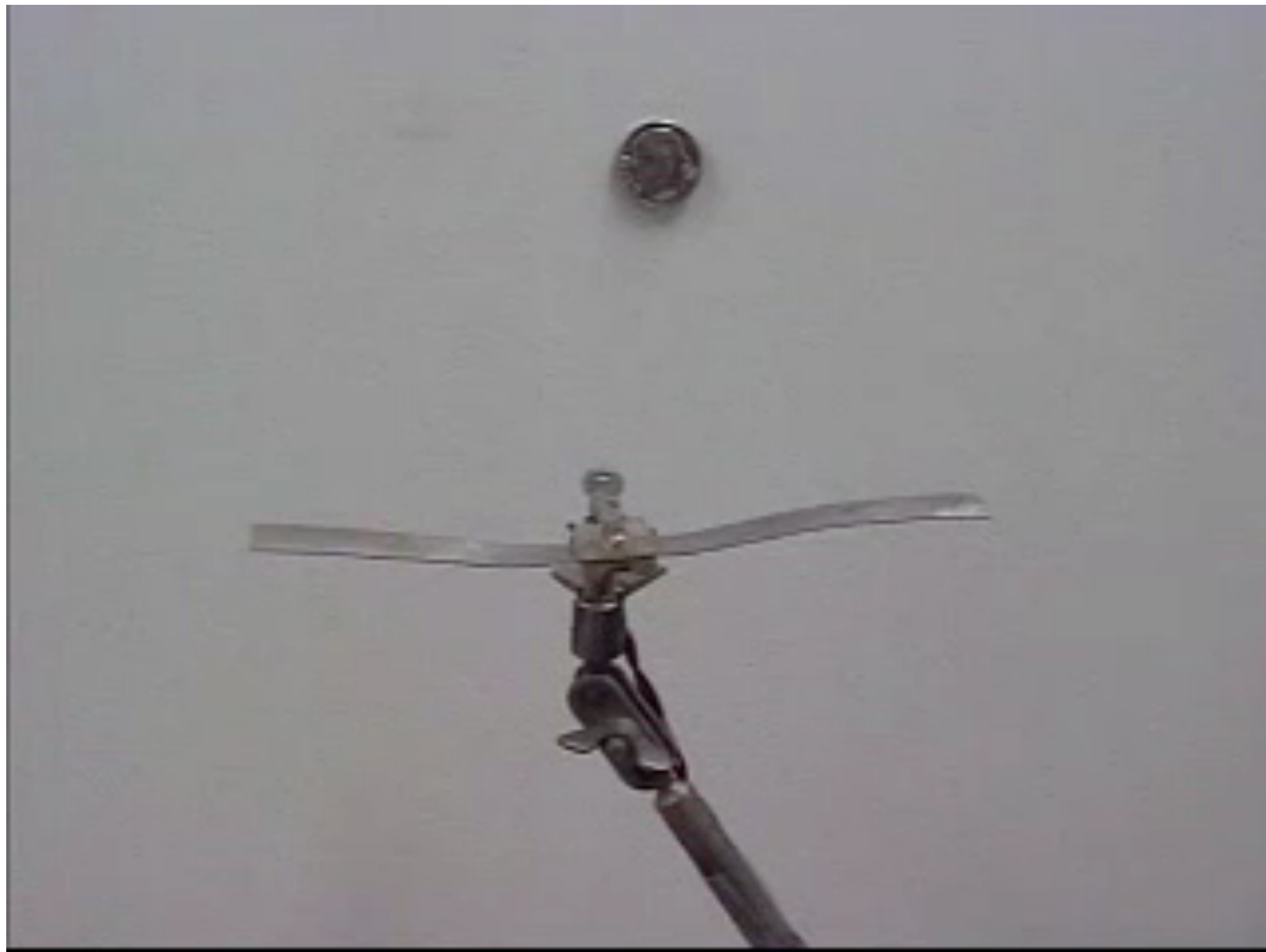
IPMC Sensors



Macro-sized IPMC



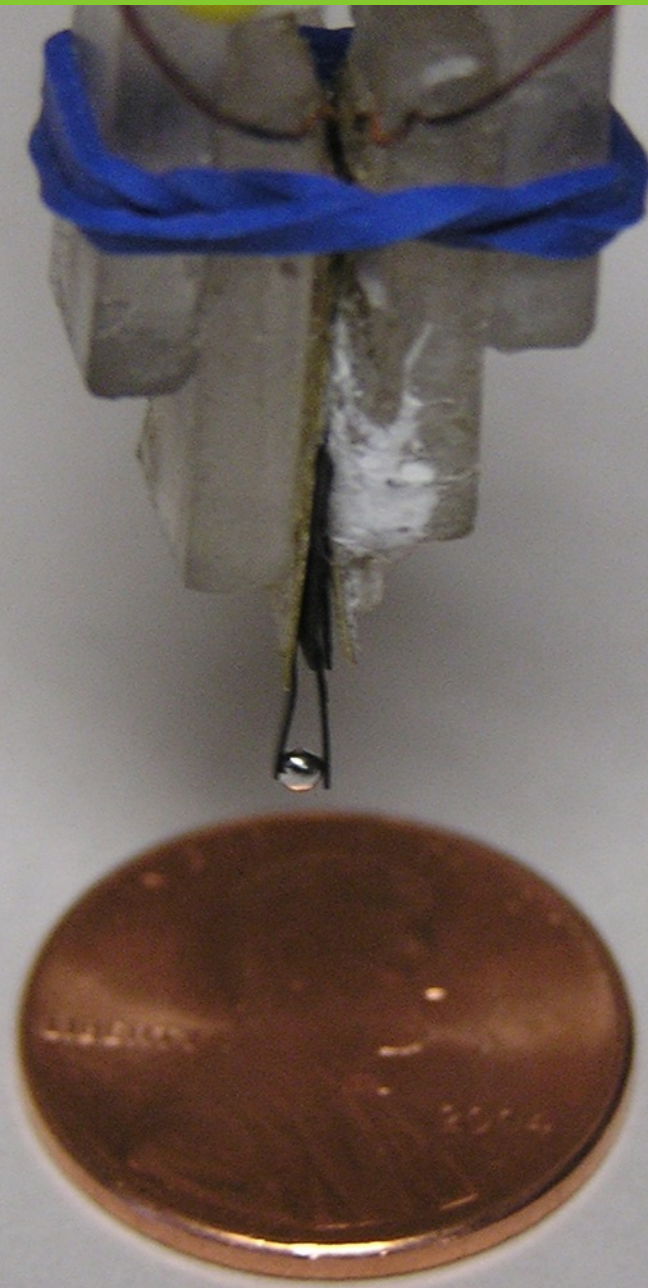
Resonance - Macro



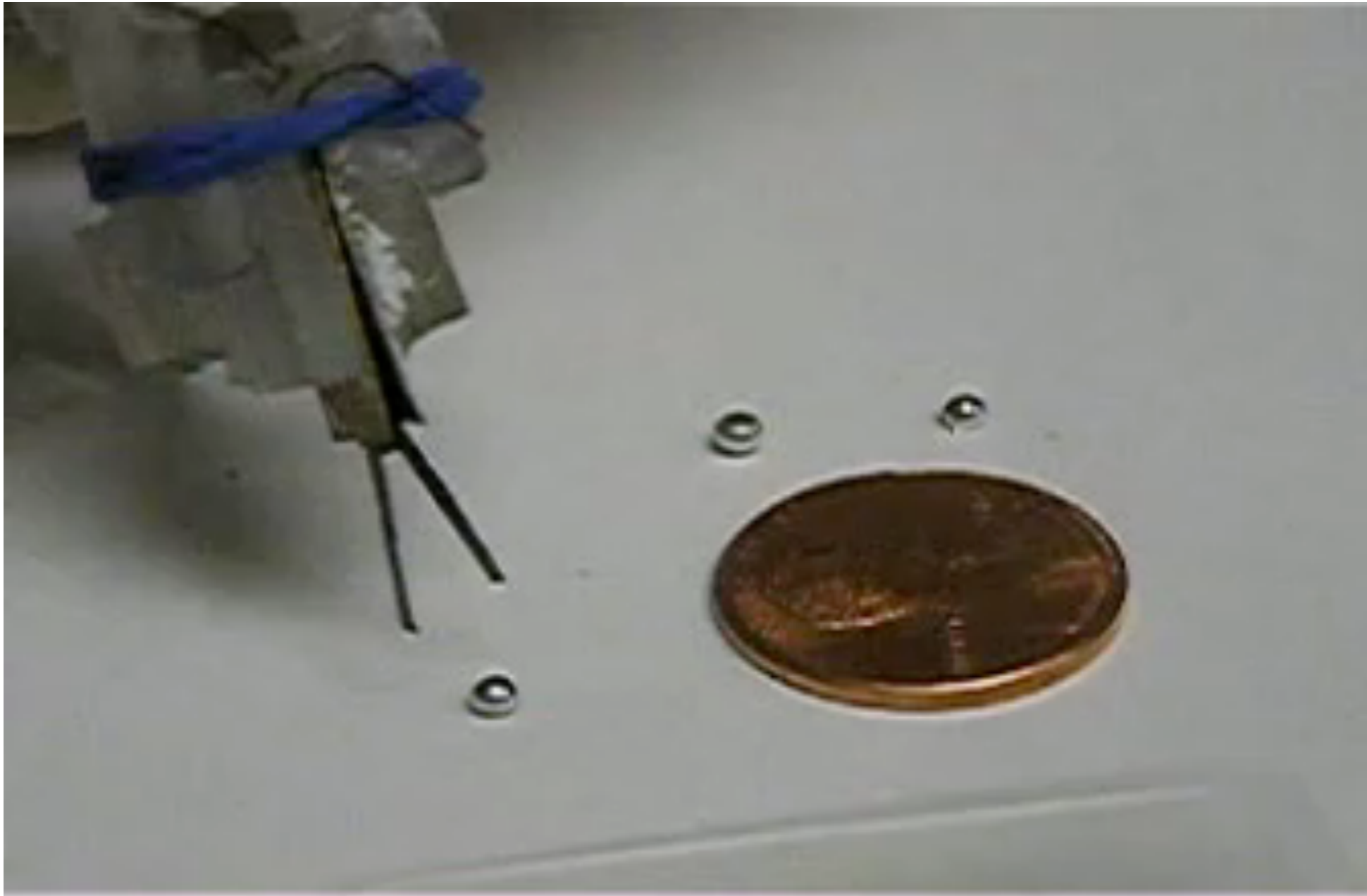
First Microgripper



Rigid Object Micromanipulation



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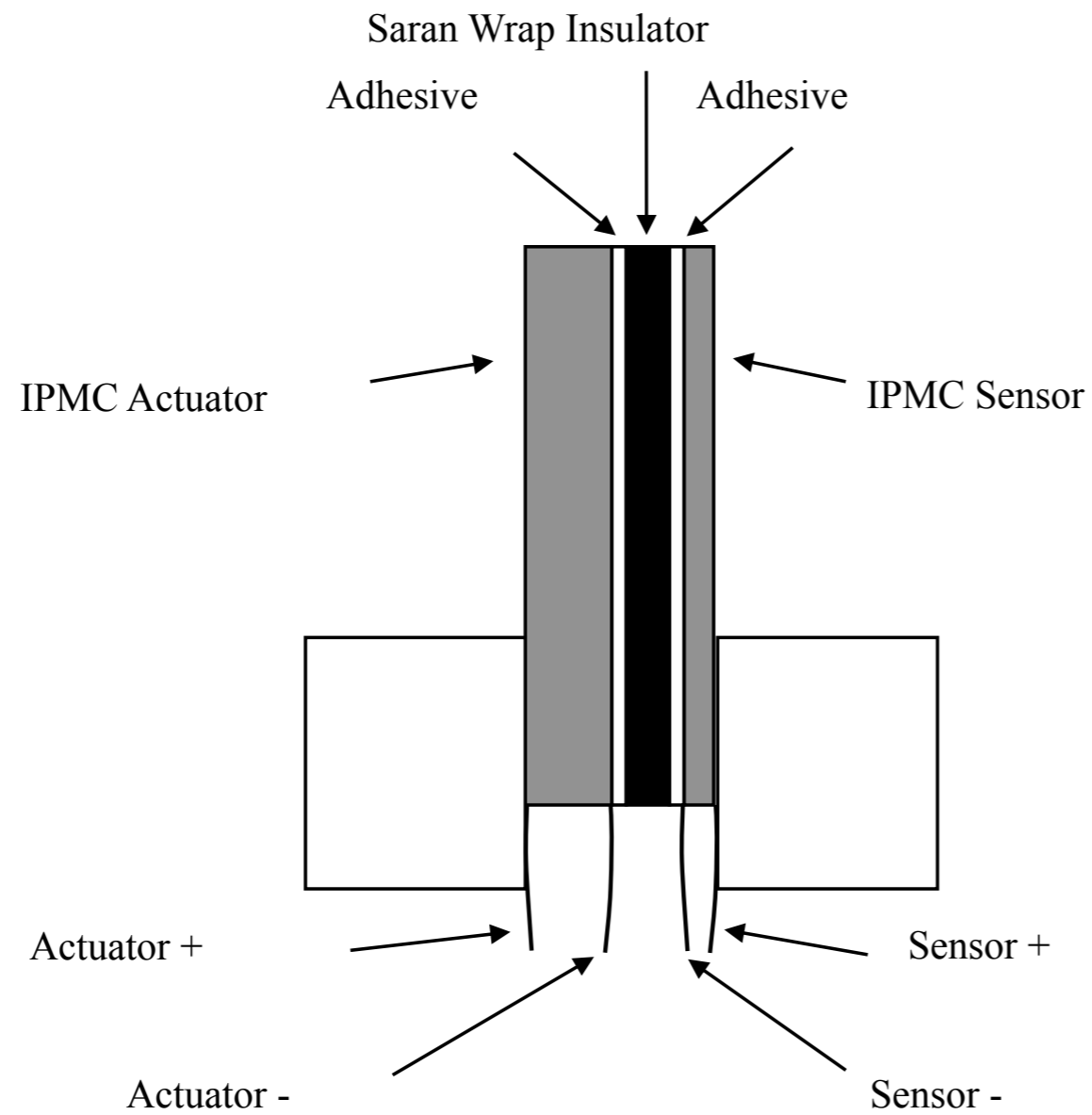
Flexible Object Micromanipulation

MANIPULATING FLEXIBLE
ELASTIC OBJECTS

IPMC Microgripper

- IPMC suited for microgrippers
 - IPMC sensor and actuator
 - IPMC weak
 - Gravity for small objects also weak
- IPMC suited to bio applications
 - Compliant - will not damage cells
 - Low voltage actuation
 - Work in dry or wet environments
 - Avoids hydrolysis in wet environments

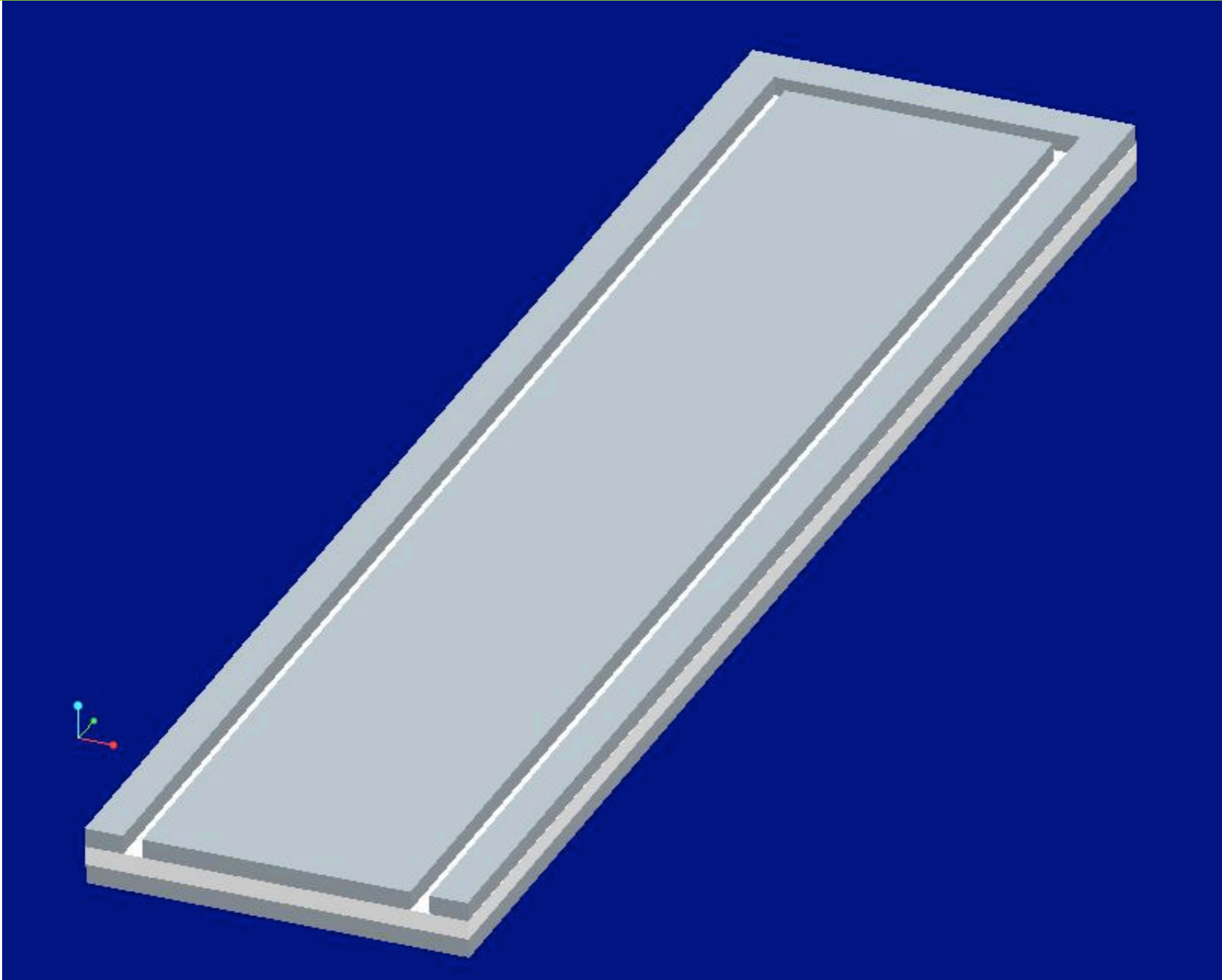
First Approach



Sensing Problem

- IPMC sensing using charge works well at macro-scale
- For microgrippers
 - Small area
 - Low charge
 - Low voltage - microvolts
 - Cannot extract signal from noise

New Approach to Sensing



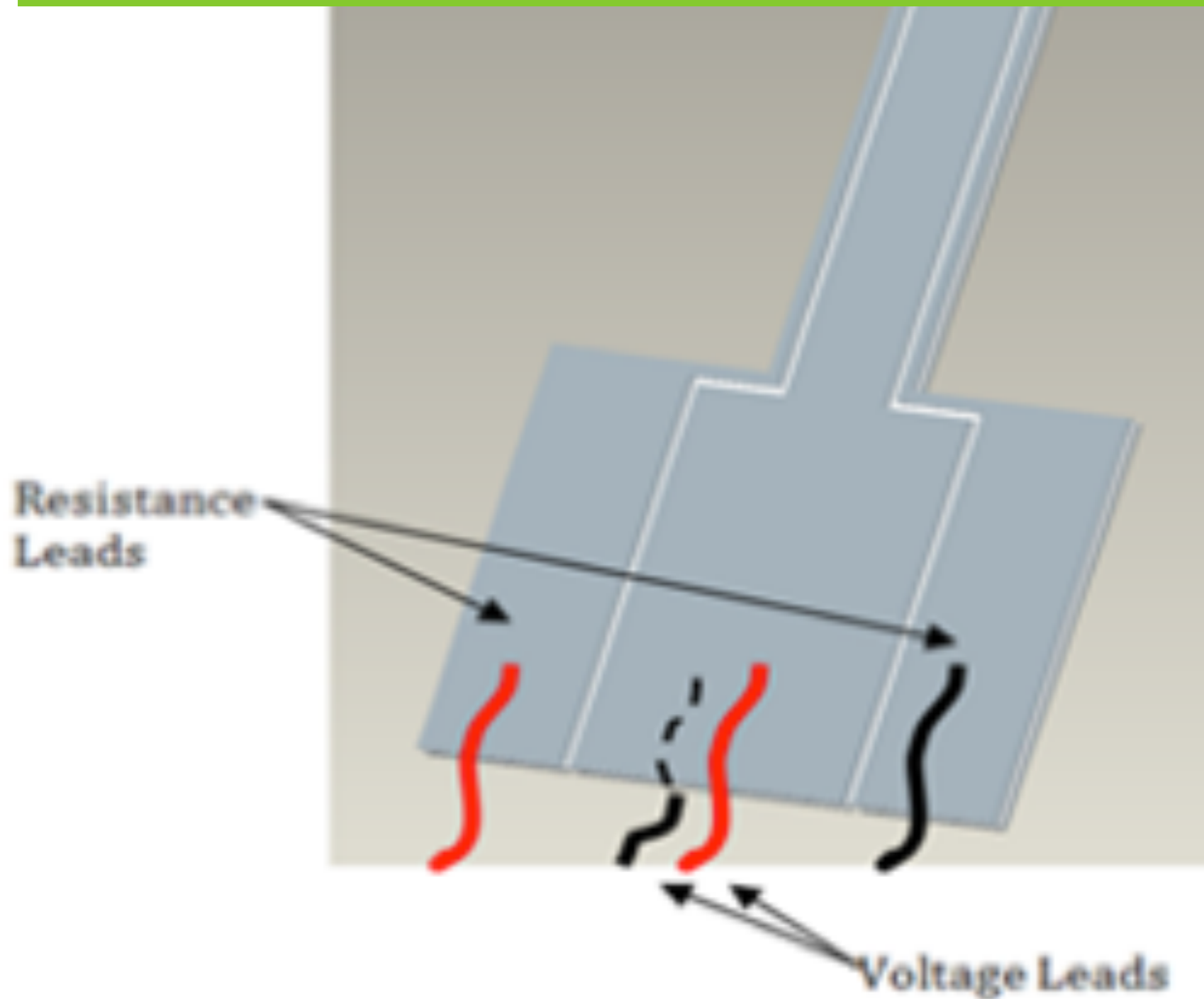
Cutting the Trench

Artificial Muscle
Laser Cutting Workstation

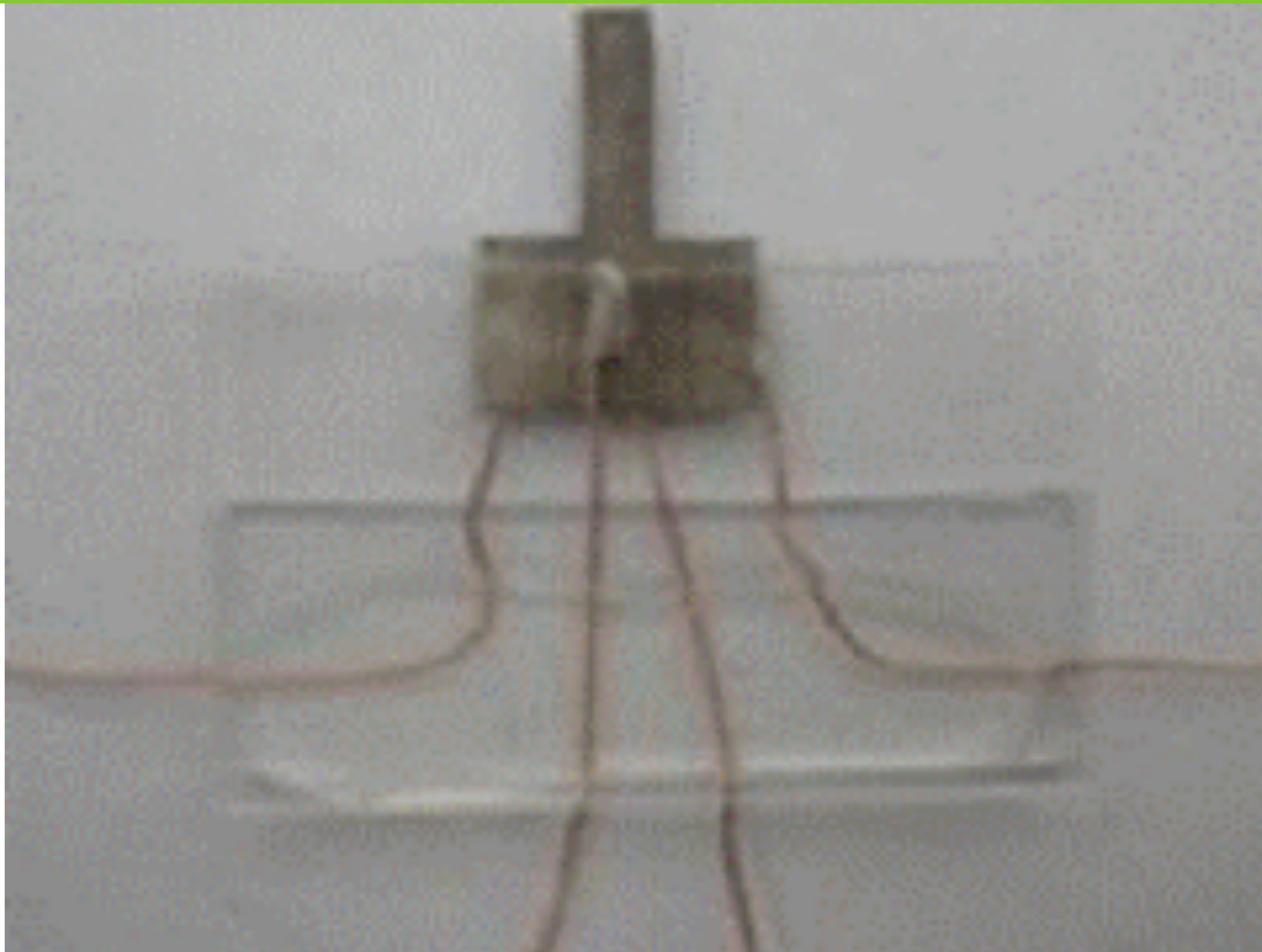
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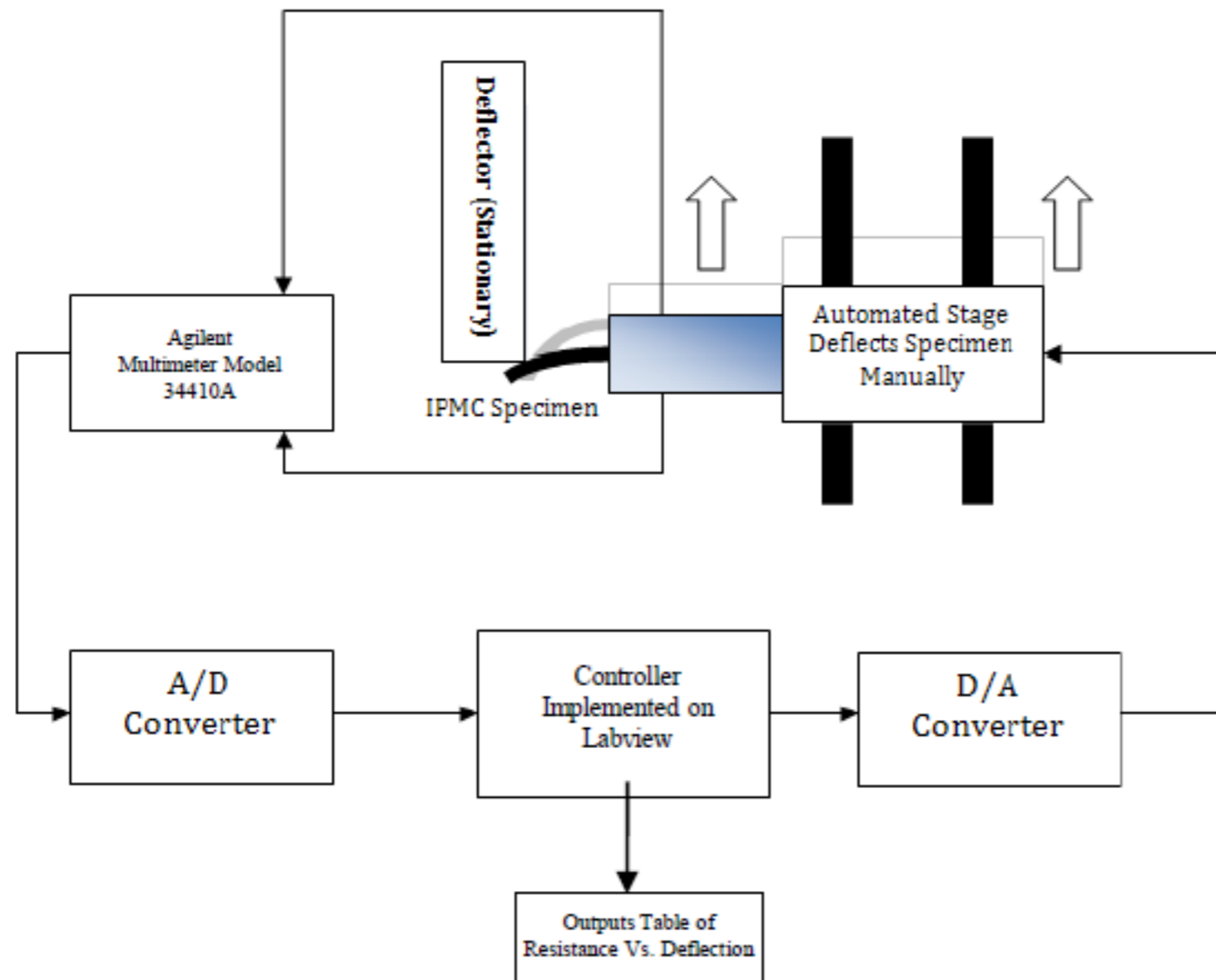
Proposed Finger



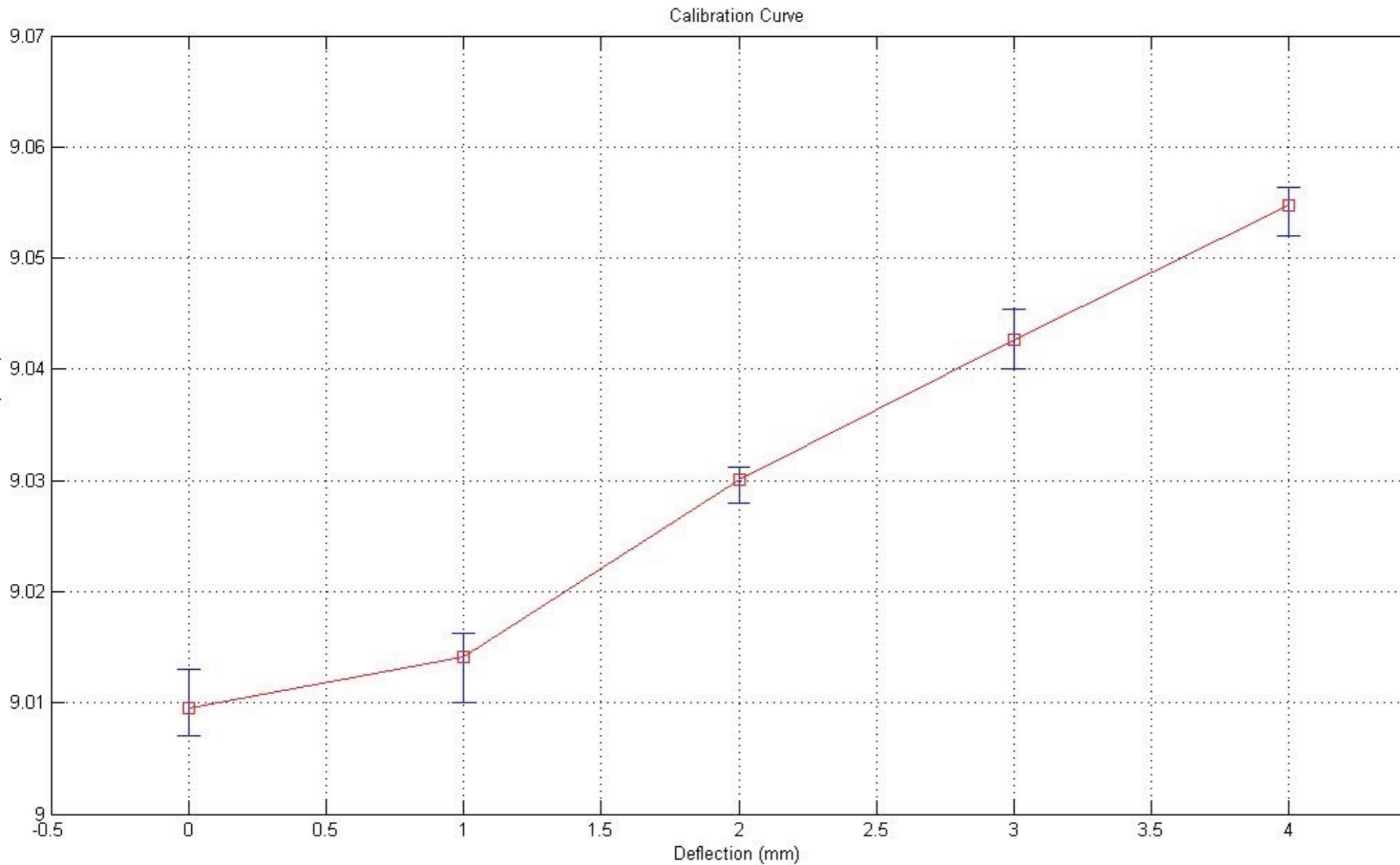
Experimental Results



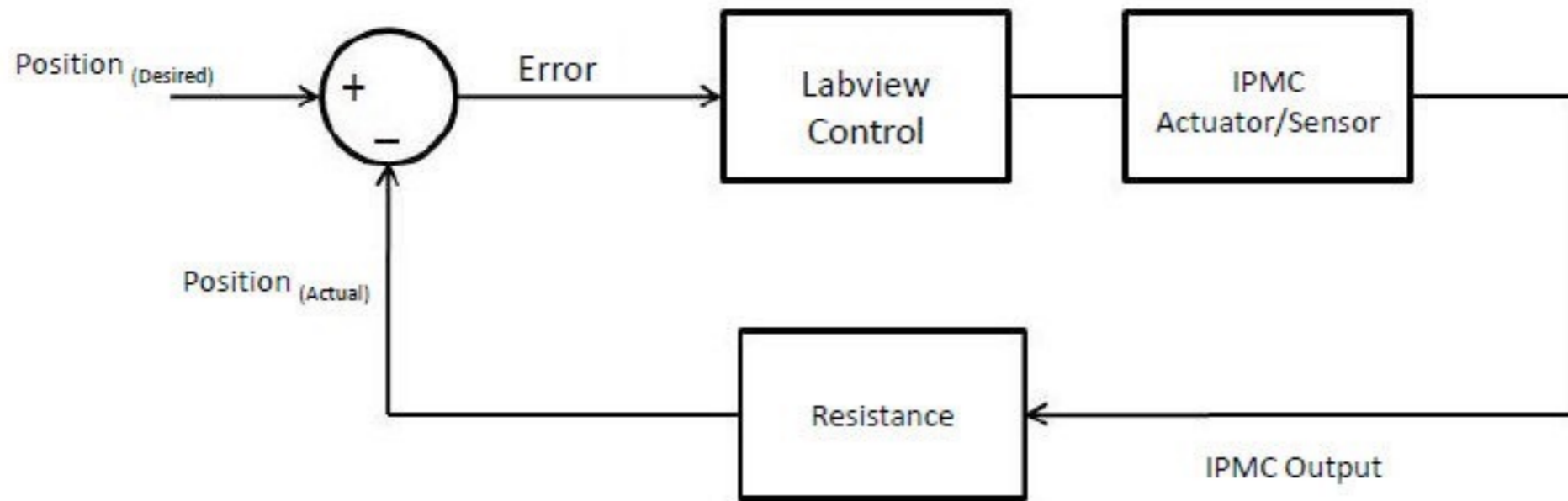
Lab Setup



Resistance vs. Deflection



Closed Loop Controller



Results

- Open loop control
 - 0.224 mm variation
- Close loop control
 - 0.050 mm variation
 - Most of variation is transient response

Closed Loop Pick and Place

IPMC Artificial Muscle Microgripper
Lifting Polymer Spheres

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Microgripper Lab

Applications

- Manipulation of flexible bio-objects
 - Suction pipette may damage cells
 - Oocytes and related bio-materials
- Manipulation of rigid objects
 - MEMS assembly

Conclusions

- Large scale robotics
 - Swing-free algorithm
 - Impedance control
 - Assembly
- Small scale robotics
 - IPMC microgripper
 - Cut trench to measure resistance to detect deflection
 - Closed loop controller for microgripper