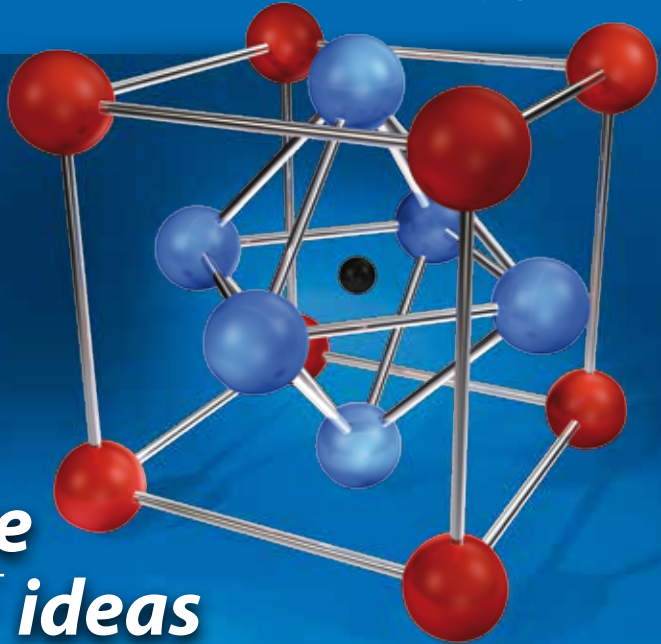


*PIEZO PRODUCTS*

**JM** Johnson Matthey  
Inspiring science, enhancing life



*We **move***  
*your **ideas***



# PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMICS

## SUITED TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

For more than 40 years we have been developing and producing Piezoceramics and other Piezo products in high volumes for a wide range of applications. Our experience and ability to produce high volumes of bending actuators and systems with Piezoceramics, mechanics and electronics, allow us to offer products of the highest quality combined with competitive

prices. Our products are customized and well known for their long lifetime and reliability. We have produced and sold more than 100 million products worldwide.

We are the leading manufacturer of Piezo bending actuators for different applications in a variety of markets.

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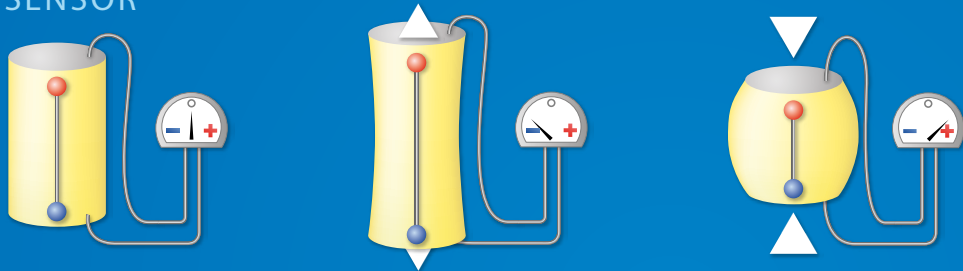


# THE PIEZO-EFFECT

## MOVES YOUR IDEAS

In 1880 Jacques and Pierre Curie discovered that when deformed under mechanical stress, quartz crystals became electrically charged – positively and negatively – on prism-shaped surfaces. They called this reaction the piezoelectric effect. Above a certain temperature (called the Curie temperature) these kinds of materials possess a cubic elementary cell with a centre of symmetry. The main areas of the positive and negative charges are found in the centre of the elementary cell of the crystal. The materials are paraelectric. There is no detectable piezoelectric effect.

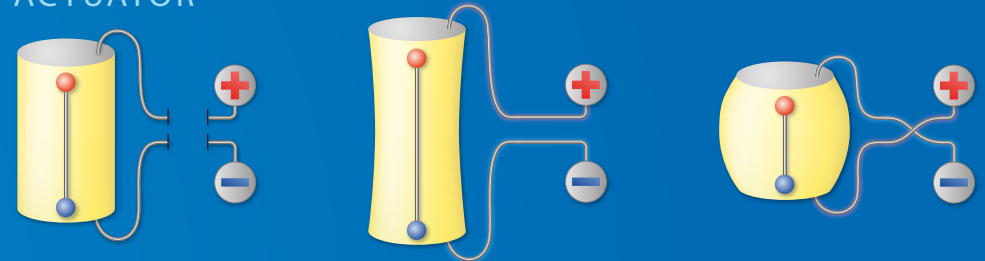
### SENSOR



*deformed under mechanical stress, quartz crystals become electrically charged*

Below the Curie temperature, the materials show a spontaneous polarisation. This spontaneous polarisation is caused by the displacement of ions of the elementary cell, resulting in the loss of the centre of symmetry. The main areas of the positive and negative charges are no longer to be found in the centre of the elementary cell of the crystal. The elementary cell possesses an electric dipole. The piezoelectric properties of the ceramics, important for applications, are only produced by this polarisation process. In this case, the ceramics are exposed to a very strong electric field.

### ACTUATOR



*the same materials undergo dimensional change under the influence of an electric field*





# PIEZOELECTRIC PRODUCTS

## FOR ACTUATOR AND SENSOR APPLICATIONS

BASIC MATERIALS	BENDING ELEMENTS	MODULES AND DEVICES
<p>Single and multilayer ceramics, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disks</li> <li>• Plates</li> <li>• Specially shaped parts</li> </ul>	<p>Single layer and multilayer bending actuators for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Braille equipment</li> <li>• Textile machines</li> <li>• Hard disk drives</li> <li>• Valves</li> <li>• Gas flow controls</li> <li>• Switches</li> <li>• Piezoelectric generators</li> <li>• Medical equipments</li> <li>• Automotive applications</li> </ul> <p>Ultrasonic transformers for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flow measuring</li> </ul>	<p>Textile machine modules for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jacquard machines</li> <li>• Raschel machines</li> <li>• Circular knitting machines</li> <li>• Warp-knitting machines</li> </ul> <p>Ultrasonic atomizers for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refrigerated cabinets</li> <li>• Household appliances</li> <li>• Toys</li> <li>• Medical Inhalers</li> <li>• Greenhouses</li> <li>• Medical Devices</li> </ul> <p>Piezoelectric generators for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy harvesting applications</li> <li>• Non-battery operated radio switches</li> </ul>



*Piezo ceramics in different shapes*

## BENDING ACTUATORS



**customized bending actuators**  
for different applications

## MODULES AND DEVICES



*atomizing system  
for medical devices*

**LIQUIFOG®**  
*atomizing system,  
e.g. for cooling counters*



*module for single needle  
selection in warp knitting machines*



*module for single needle  
selection in circular knitting machines*

**all from one source:**  
*customized modules and devices with Piezo ceramics  
as the core technology plus mechanics and electronics*



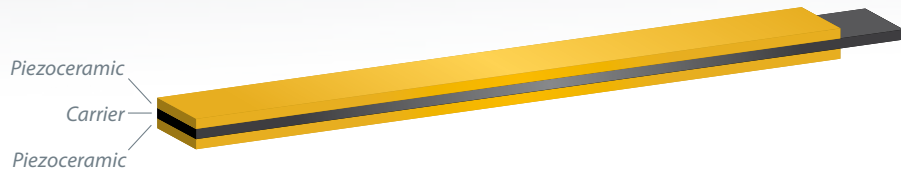


# WORKING PRINCIPLE

## PIEZO BENDING ACTUATOR

When two piezoelectric ceramic plates are bonded together with a supporting material and counter-actuated, this results in a pronounced deformation of the composite similar to the case of a bimetal. Its design enables deflections of several millimetres and forces up to

several Newton and a short cycle time of a few milliseconds can be achieved. Therefore, the Piezo bending actuator can be employed as a high performance and fast-reacting control element. Due to the high speed of deflection, productivity is higher compared to the use



## PIEZO BENDING SENSOR

of electromagnets. As a result of its compact design, the Piezo bending actuator takes up significantly less space.

Piezo ceramic benders can also be used as sensors. Bending generates a charge/a voltage on both ceramic layers. Parallel connecting both

ceramics layers will add their charge. Thus they are suitable for measuring big and small movements/vibrations/accelerations and energy harvesting.

Our Piezo benders usually have a working life of more than a billion cycles.



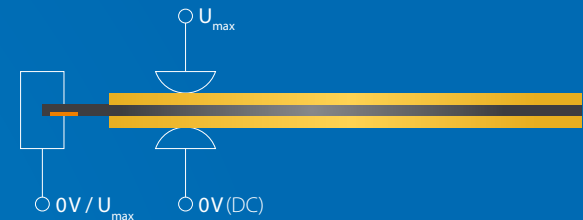
*The contraction of the ceramic when the operating voltage is applied results in deflection and force on the tip of the bending actuator. Or, if a force is applied to the tip, this generates an electrical charge.*

# OVERVIEW BENDING ACTUATORS

A SMALL SELECTION OF OUR ACTUATORS AND THEIR TYPICAL CHARACTERISTIC VALUES



	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	TYPE 4	TYPE 5	TYPE 6	TYPE 7	TYPE 8	TYPE 9	TYPE 10
Material <sup>1)</sup>	M1100	M1100	M1876	M1100	M1876	M1100	M1876	M1334	M1100	M1334
Total length [mm]	49.95	49.0	47.4	47.4	47.0	36.0	32.5	25.0	12.5	9.0
Free length [mm]	38.0	38.0	38.0	38.0	38.0	30.0	27.5	18.0	9.5	6.5
Width [mm]	7.2	2.1	1.9	1.5	5.9	2.1	1.9	7.2	11.0	1.0
Thickness [mm]	0.80	0.90	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.67	0.70	0.48	0.80	0.50
Total displacement [mm] <sup>2)</sup>	2	2	2.2	1.8	2.8	1.4	1.4	0.05	0.10	0.07
Blocking force on each side $F_b$ [mN] <sup>2), 3)</sup>	450	150	180	100	500	150	180	50	2100	130
Capacity per ceramic side C [nF] <sup>4)</sup>	45	14	18	10	60	11	10	40	16/21 <sup>6)</sup>	1.9/2.3 <sup>7)</sup>
Operating voltage $U_{max}$ [V] <sup>5)</sup>	230	230	230	230	230	230	230	24	230	130



<sup>1)</sup> cf. Specification sheet piezoelectric Ceramics

<sup>2)</sup> Unlimited displacement and blocking force will be determined at  $U_{max}$  at the specified free length and at 23°C ambient temperature

<sup>3)</sup> The deflected bending actuator will be pressed back to zero position to determine  $F_b$ .

<sup>4)</sup> Capacity is measured at 1V/1kHz and 23°C ambient temperature.

<sup>5)</sup> Recommended operating voltage is  $0.8 \times U_{max}$

<sup>6)</sup> With a ceramic length of 10.5 mm and 12.5 mm

<sup>7)</sup> With a ceramic length of 7.7 mm and 9 mm

All values are approximate and no guarantee of specific technical properties. Changes in the course of technical progress are possible without notice.



## BENEFITS OF PIEZOCERAMIC BENDING ACTUATORS

The bending actuator produces no heat ▶ **NO COOLING** is required

Lower energy consumption compared to the solenoid ▶ **REDUCED OPERATING COSTS**

Rapid positioning speed ▶ significantly **INCREASED PRODUCTIVITY**

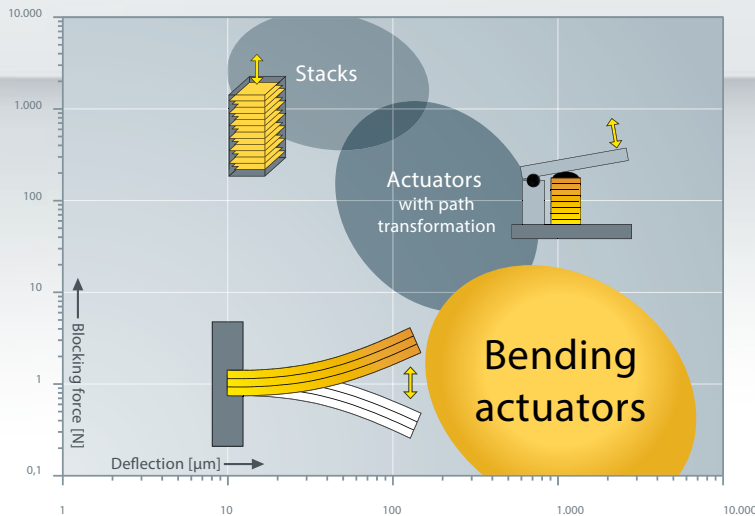
Higher reliability ▶ **REDUCED DOWNTIME**

Compact construction of the bending actuators ▶ significantly **LESS SPACE**

Silent operation ▶ **MOST CONVENIENT AND COMFORTABLE** workplace

### Performance features of three different kinds of Piezo actuators:

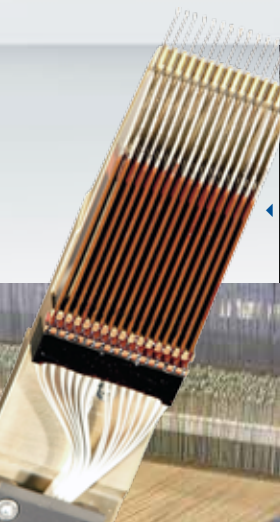
Comparison of values of  
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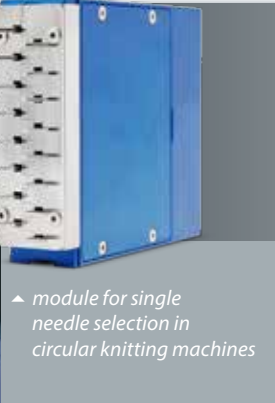
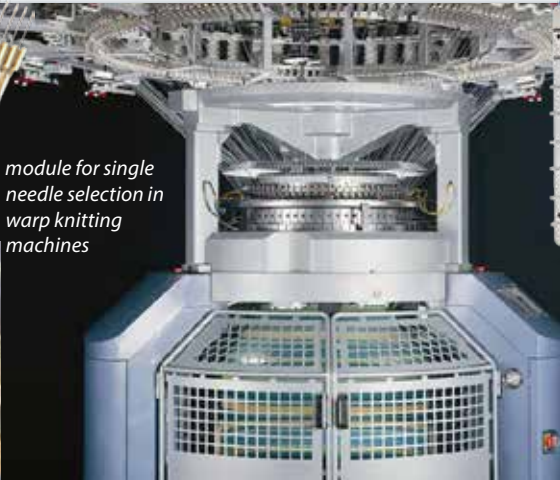


## FOR TEXTILE MACHINES

### PIEZOCERAMIC BENDING ACTUATORS AND SYSTEMS WITH ELECTRONICS AND MECHANICS



◀ module for single  
needle selection in  
warp knitting  
machines

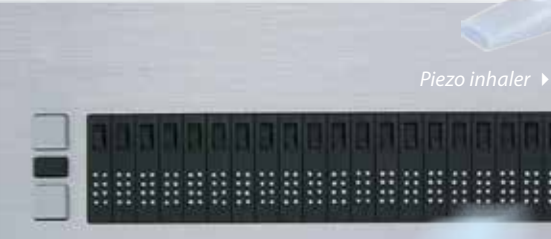


▲ module for single  
needle selection in  
circular knitting machines

◀ circular knitting machine

## DIFFERENT APPLICATIONS

### PIEZOCERAMIC BENDING ACTUATORS AND ATOMIZERS



Piezo inhaler ▶



▲ Braille keyboard



▼ battery free radio switch



▲ humidifier „Liquifog“ for cooling counters



# IN A PERFECT COMBINATION

## PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMICS AND ELECTRONICS

### FROM PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMIC ELEMENTS TO PIEZOELECTRIC MODULES

Johnson Matthey Piezo Products is well known for its competence in development and production in all areas of electrical engineering, electronics and mechanics. This enables us to find Piezo solutions for all types of industry.

We are able to correctly match ceramic and electronic parts together and to supply them as a module according to individual customer requirements. We can supply a complete system for control, actuator and sensor modules.



*bending element protected by a cage*

### PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMICS COVER A WIDE RANGE OF APPLICATIONS



*circular knitting module with electronics*

The two key features used are deflection and a controlling force which are applied variably in different actuator systems. We are specialized in piezoelectric modules. A complete Piezo system – for example, a control module for textile machines – consists of the “Piezoelectric ceramic bending actuator” component, mechanical parts and driving electronics. We can add a control computer to the system as an option. We work closely with our customers to achieve the best possible solution for their requirements.

# TYPICAL PIEZO APPLICATIONS

WE MOVE YOUR IDEAS



## ***Textile Machine Industry***

As a control element in the manufacture of patterned fabrics for curtain and lace.



## ***Braille Instruments***

Piezoelectric bending actuators control the pins in Braille keyboards. This enables the blind and the partially sighted to „read“ the contents of a line.



## ***Industrial Automation***

Pneumatic valves such as for electro-pneumatic position regulators for opening and closing pipelines.



## ***Automobiles***

Piezo ceramic products have been used in the automotive industry in different fields of application for many years. Our Piezo elements were first used in cars 25 years ago. We continue to work with innovations and pioneering process technologies to create new applications.



## ***Airplanes***

Our Piezo products are distinguished by their high reliability, and are present even in aircrafts, where the demands on the materials used are very high.



## ***Medical Applications***

Our Piezoelectric bending actuators and atomizers are perfectly suitable to work precisely and reliably in medical devices and in aerosol therapy. There is a wide range of medical applications where Piezoceramic systems offer the right solutions.



# HIGHEST QUALITY

## MODULES AND DEVICES



Piezo systems developed and produced at one site ▶ **HIGHEST QUALITY**

All from one source – Piezoceramics, electronics and mechanics ▶ **ONE PARTNER**

Fast handling and easy maintenance ▶ **HIGHEST PRODUCTIVITY**

Special coating ▶ **LONGER LIFETIME**

Customized solutions ▶ **OPTIMIZED FOR YOUR APPLICATION**



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# SUMMARY

## JOHNSON MATTHEY PIEZO PRODUCTS

More than **40 years of experience** in Piezo technology

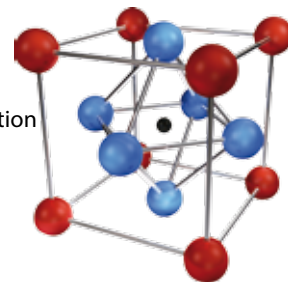
Main products are **bending elements, atomizers, modules and devices**

**Customized products** available for actuator and sensor applications as well as for energy harvesting

**Market leader** for bending actuators

Over **100 million Piezo products** produced

**Long term partnerships** from the initial idea through to series production



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