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## Theory of QCM and SAW devices in sensors and biosensors applications



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# Scientific context and objectives in the Action



- Background / Problem statement:
- Modeling of dynamics of thin viscoelastic films on the surface of acoustic resonators (BAW, SAW)
- **Brief reminder of MoU objectives:** WG2 (Sensors, Devices and Systems for AQC)



 Objective: general theory and physico-mathematical analysis of acoustic waves propagation in layered systems in sensors and biosensors applications

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Modeling the dynamics of viscoelastic films on QCM-based sensors and biosensors

Surface modification of QCM sensors

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**Background:** 

Viscoelastic corrections of Sauerbrey's relation Theory of QCM in biosensors' applications



Kanazawa, K., Frank, C.W., and Hardesty, J.: Resonances of soft films under liquids on the QCM, ECS Transactions, 16, 419-429, 2008







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#### **QCM:** The 'missing mass' effect



Viscoelastic corrections to the measured mass M of the soft layer under Newtonian liquid:

$$M_{s} = M \left\{ 1 - \frac{\eta_{L} \rho_{L} \omega}{\rho} \frac{G^{\prime \prime}}{G^{\prime 2} + G^{\prime \prime 2}} \right\}$$

Soft layer under Newtonian bulk liquid: the total shift in the resonance frequency is a sum of the frequency shift due to the surface mass  $M = \rho \cdot h$ , contribution of bulk liquid  $\Delta f_L$  and corrections due to the layer viscoelasticity G\*=G'+iG''

$$\Delta f - \Delta f_{\scriptscriptstyle L} \approx -\frac{h\rho\omega}{2\pi\rho_{\scriptscriptstyle q}h_{\scriptscriptstyle q}} \left\{ 1 - 2(\frac{\eta_{\scriptscriptstyle L}}{\delta_{\scriptscriptstyle L}})^2 \frac{J^{\prime\prime}}{\rho} \right\} \qquad \qquad J^{\prime\prime} = \frac{G^{\prime\prime}}{G^{\prime\,2} + G^{\prime\,\prime\,2}}$$

The change in the dissipation factor:

$$\Delta D - \Delta D_{L} \approx \frac{h\rho\omega}{f\rho_{q}h_{q}} \left\{ 2(\frac{\eta_{L}}{\delta_{L}})^{2} \frac{J'}{\rho} \right\} \qquad J' = \frac{G'}{G'^{2} + G''^{2}}$$

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In the air







Modeling SAW:  
**K**<sup>2</sup> = 
$$\frac{g^{*2}\zeta_1^2}{g_0^2} \left\{ \frac{(g^*\zeta_1 - G^*\zeta_2) - e^{2\zeta_1 h}(g^*\zeta_1 + G^*\zeta_2)}{(g^*\zeta_1 - G^*\zeta_2) + e^{2\zeta_1 h}(g^*\zeta_1 + G^*\zeta_2)} \right\}^2$$
  
**SH-SSW resonators**

• In vapors or liquid phase : a 'missing mass' effect predicted

$$\Delta V / V_0 \approx \frac{\omega^{3/2} \rho_1 h_1 V_0^2}{2g_0^2} \sqrt{2\eta_2 \rho_2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\eta_2 \omega(g' + g'')}{g'^2 + g''^2} \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \right\}$$

$$(Voinova, JSSS, 2015)$$

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# <u>Current research activities</u>: modelling and numerical simulations of SH-SSW sensors response in AQC's and biosensors applications



A.Vikström (CTU, 2015)



<u>Current research activities</u>: modelling and numerical simulations of graphene-based nanoresonator



 <u>Axel M. Eriksson</u>,\* Marina V. Voinova, and Leonid Y. Gorelik (J.Appl.Phys. 2015)



### Suggested R&I Needs for future research

• Research directions as R&I NEEDS:

1. Theoretical modelling and numerical simulations of dynamics of adsorbed films in SAW and QCM resonators.

**Software** based on the theoretical calculations can be used for the quantitative analysis of the acoustic experiments in AQC and biosensors' applications.

2. Theoretical modeling of a graphene-based sensor

