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The investigation of resonators with longitudinal and lateral electric fields with various shear dimensions

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Abstract: The influence of the diameter of a disk resonator with a radial electric field made on the basis of PZT-19 piezoceramics and the shear dimensions of a resonator with a lateral electric field (LFE) based on PZTNV-1 piezoceramics on their main characteristics, such as the frequencies of parallel and serial resonances and maximum values of the real parts of electrical impedance and admittance has been studied experimentally and theoretically.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Piezoelectric resonators are widely used in various fields of science and technology, both as passive components of electronic equipment [1] and as various sensors. These sensors are used to study the properties of various liquids

[2-8] and films [9-10], to analyze various gases in the air [11-15], to record specific biological reactions in aqueous environments [16-18], to create micro-movement detectors [19], etc.

It was previously shown that changing the electrical boundary conditions near the free side of a piezoelectric resonator with a lateral electric field affects its parameters [19]. However, in practice during measuring the characteristics of resonators of this type in a wide frequency range, there are often the resonances the nature of which is either unclear or difficult to analyze theoretically. In addition, it should be noted that the features of excited oscillations in resonators must be analyzed not only theoretically, but also the theoretical data must be confirmed by experimental results. In this work, the features of mechanical vibrations in a disk resonator with a longitudinal exciting electric field and in a rectangular resonator

with a lateral electric field are studied when their shear dimensions change.

The purpose of this work is to investigate the influence of the shear dimensions of a piezoceramic disk resonator with a longitudinal electric field and a piezoceramic rectangular resonator with a lateral electric field on their main characteristics.

2. EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE AND EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

2.1. THE STUDY OF A DISK RESONATOR WITH A LONGITUDINAL ELECTRIC FIELD

To carry out the research, a disk resonator with a longitudinal electric field based on piezoceramics PZT₁₉V-1 (Aurora-ELMA LLC, Volgograd) with a diameter of $D = 21.9$ mm and a thickness of 1.945 mm was used. During the entire experiment, the diameter of the disk resonator was changed by mechanical processing from 21.9 mm to 14 mm in steps of ~ 1 mm. For each value of the disk resonator diameter, the frequency dependences of the real and imaginary parts of the electrical impedance were measured. From the measured frequency dependences, the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance and admittance, as well as the resonant frequencies of parallel and series resonances were determined. The dependences of the resonant frequencies of parallel (f_{par}) and series (f_{ser}) resonances on the resonator diameter (D) are presented in Fig. 1. The maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance (R_{max}) and

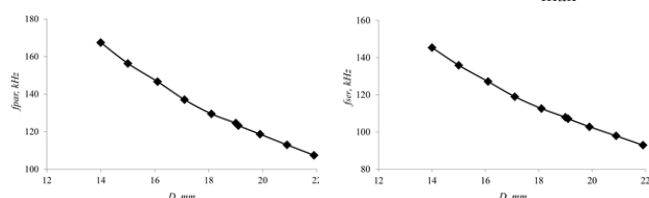


Fig. 1. Experimental dependences of the frequencies of parallel f_{par} (left) and serial f_{ser} (right) resonances on the diameter of disk D of a resonator with longitudinal electric field made on the basis of PZT₁₉V-1 piezoceramics

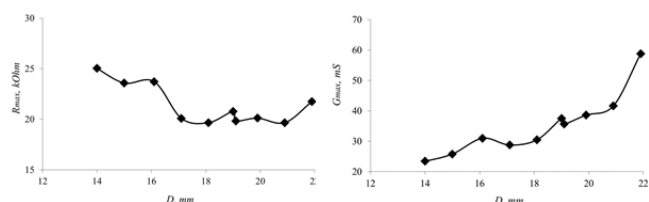


Fig. 2. Experimental dependences of the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance R_{max} (left) and admittance G_{max} (right) on the diameter of the disk D of the resonator with longitudinal electric field made on the basis of piezoceramics PZT₁₉V-1.

admittance (G_{max}) as function of diameter D are shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 1 shows that as the diameter decreases, the frequency of both parallel and series resonances increases. The total relative change in these values is 56% and 57%, respectively. The maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance (R_{max}) does not change as the disk diameter decreases from 22 to 17 mm, but then increases slightly as the diameter decreases from 17 to 14 mm (Fig. 2 (left)). The total relative change in this value is 25% when the disk diameter changes from 17 to 14 mm. The maximum value of the real part of the electrical admittance (G_{max}) decreases from 60 to 20 mS with a decrease in the resonator diameter from 22 to 14 mm (Fig. 2 (right)). The total relative change in the maximum value of the real part of the electrical admittance is 60%. Such a change in the characteristics of the disk resonator, especially the resonant frequency of the parallel resonance, with a decrease in its diameter indicates the excitation of mechanical vibrations of the radial type.

2.2. THE INVESTIGATION OF A RESONATOR WITH A LATERAL ELECTRIC FIELD

The resonator with the lateral electric field was manufactured in laboratory conditions from a rectangular PZT-19 piezoceramic plate with a thickness of 2.566 mm and shear dimensions of 19.9×17.86 mm². Two rectangular aluminum electrodes with

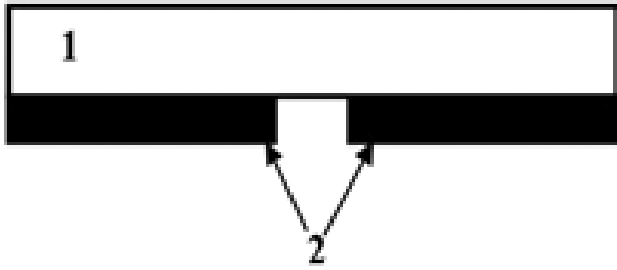


Fig. 3. Layout of the resonator with lateral electric field: 1 – plate of piezoceramics PZT-19, 2 – electrodes.

dimensions of $19.9 \times 6.9 \text{ mm}^2$ and a gap of 4 mm between them were applied to one side of the piezoceramic plate (**Fig. 3**). The polar axis of the piezoelectric was oriented perpendicular to the gap. During the experiment, the largest shear dimension (H) of the piezoceramic plate along the gap was changed by mechanically grinding from 19.9 to 14.8 mm with a step of $\sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ mm}$. This process allowed to maintain the parallelism of opposite faces and the integrity of the resonator electrodes. For each plate length (H) of the resonator probe, the frequency dependences of the real and imaginary parts of the electrical impedance were measured in the operating range of 50-300 kHz. From these dependencies, the values of the resonant frequencies and the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance corresponding to each length of the resonator were determined for the three observed resonances in a given frequency range. The dependences of the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance and the resonant frequency of the parallel resonance on the length of the resonator for the three observed resonances are presented in **Figs 4, 5, 6**. Figs 4, 5, 6 show that as the plate length decreases from 19.9 to 14.8 mm, an increase in the resonant frequency is clearly observed for the three observed parallel resonances in the selected operating range. The maximum value of the real parts of the electrical impedance

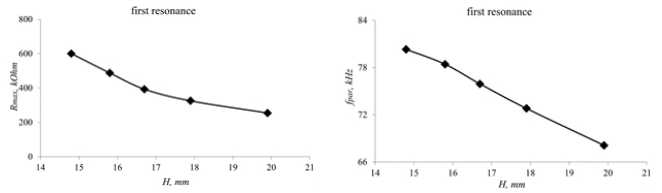


Fig. 4. Experimental dependences of the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance R_{max} (left) and the frequency of parallel resonance f_{par} (right) on the length H of the piezoceramic plate of the resonator with lateral electric field for the first observed resonance.

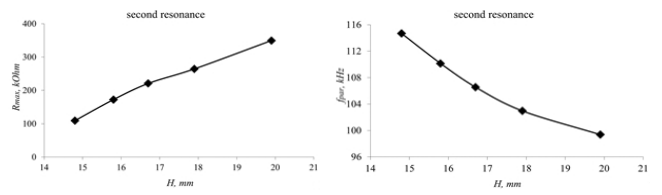


Fig. 5. Experimental dependences of the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance R_{max} (left) and the frequency of parallel resonance f_{par} (right) on the length H of the piezoceramic plate of the resonator with lateral electric field for the second observed resonance.

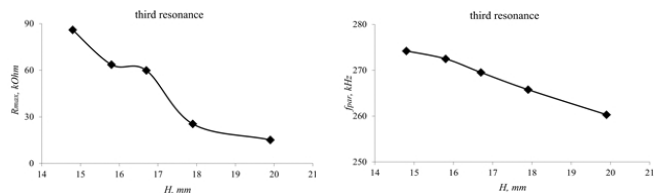


Fig. 6. Experimental dependences of the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance R_{max} (left) and the frequency of parallel resonance f_{par} (right) on the length H of the piezoceramic plate of the resonator with lateral electric field for the third observed resonance

increases with decreasing plate length for the first and third resonances (**Figs. 4, 6**) and decreases for the second resonance (**Fig. 5**). Relative changes in these values are presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1

Relative changes in the resonant frequency and the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance of the resonator with lateral electric field for each

Value	First resonance	Second resonance	Third resonance
f_{par}	18%	15%	5%
R_{max}	136%	69%	460%

3. THEORETICAL ANALYSIS OF THE INFLUENCE OF THE SHEAR DIMENSIONS OF RESONATORS ON THEIR CHARACTERISTICS

Theoretical analysis of the characteristics of the resonator with longitudinal electric field for various values of its diameter was carried out using a two-dimensional finite element method [10]. The dependences of the resonant frequencies of parallel and series resonances (Fig. 7) and the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance and admittance (Fig. 8) on the diameter of the resonator were plotted. Comparison of dependencies in Fig. 1 and Fig. 7, and ones in Fig. 2 and Fig. 8 indicates good agreement between the theoretical data and the experimental results. During the calculations, the material constants for the PZTNTV-1 piezoceramics were taken from the reference book [20]. A similar theoretical analysis for the resonator with lateral electric field was not carried out, since the two-dimensional finite element method

used does not allow taking into account the size of the resonator in the third dimension, which changed during the experiment.

4. CONCLUSION

The influence of the diameter of a resonator with a longitudinal electric field, made of PZTNTV-1 piezoceramics, on its main characteristics, such as the resonant frequencies of parallel and series resonances and the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance and admittance, has been studied experimentally and theoretically. It has been established that a change in the characteristics of a disk resonator with a decrease in its diameter indicates the excitation of mechanical vibrations of the radial type, which is confirmed by theoretical analysis. Theoretical analysis was carried out using the finite element method. In addition, the influence of the shear dimensions of a resonator with lateral electric field made on the basis of PZT-19 piezoceramics on its characteristics was experimentally studied. These characteristics are the parallel resonance frequency and the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance. It has been shown that decreasing the length of the resonator with lateral electric field from 19.9 to 14.8 mm leads to an increase in the frequencies of all observed parallel resonances. In this case, the maximum value of the real part of the electrical impedance increases with decreasing plate length for the first and third resonances and decreases for the second one.

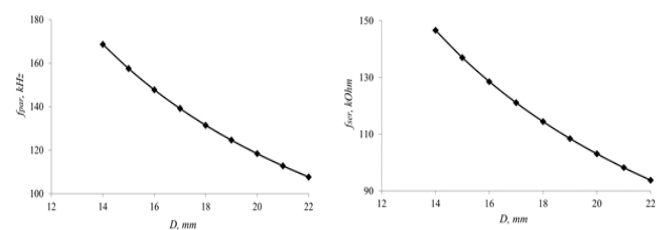


Fig. 7. Theoretical dependences of the frequencies of parallel f_{par} (left) and series f_{ser} (right) resonances on the diameter of the disk D of the resonator with longitudinal electric field made on the basis of PZTNTV-1 piezoceramics.

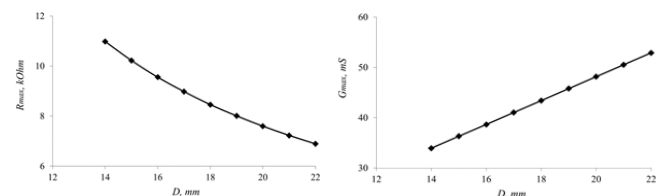


Fig. 8. Theoretical dependences of the maximum values of the real parts of the electrical impedance R_{max} (left) and admittance G_{max} (right) on the diameter of the disk D of the resonator with longitudinal electric field made on the basis of piezoceramics PZTNTV-1.

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