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ADVANCED HIGH PERFORMANCE VERTICAL HYBRID ELECTROACTIVE SYNTHETIC JET ACTUATOR (ASJA-V)

The advanced high performance vertical hybrid electroactive synthetic jet actuator (ASJA-V) is a synthetic jet actuator with three dimensional active walls synergistically operating with each other, utilizing the positive and negative strains in different direction of the electroactive materials. The deformations of the three dimensional walls are hybrid in order to obtain maximum changes of the jet reservoir volume and the diameter of the jet orifice. For each cycle, the change in reservoir volume of the ASSJA-V is five times greater than the conventional synthetic jet actuator with only one active component, which is a negative strain-based bottom piezoelectric diaphragm.

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It results in a higher performance level than the recently invented ASJA-H, because it has 2 sides of the diaphragm bending. The ASJA-V is highly desirable where height is no object, such as a fuselage of a helicopter, tail or body of a fixed-wing aircraft.

Meet the Inventor

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