AS-74.3136 Introduction to Microsystems

Exam, 02.09.2013

- No Books are allowed in the exam.
- Non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

Please answer the questions below. The answer of each (sub-)question should be brief (3-5 sentences) if not otherwise indicated. Each question is worth 6 points. 15 points minimum to pass the exam.

- 1. What are microsystems? Please also give three examples of application of microsystems (1-2 sentences each).
- 2. What is microfabrication? Please describe the major steps with graphical illustration.
- 3. What are the scaling laws of electrostatic forces and capillary force? Please derive based on first principles.
- 4. Describe two designs of piezoelectric actuator with graphical illustrations (one linear actuator, one motor).
- 5. What is microsensor? Please give two examples of microsensor with graphical illustrations (one mechanical, one chemical).