Experiment #2

LDTO as Flexible Switch - using a charge amplifier to obtain "open-circuit" voltage sensitivity, the output was measured for controlled tip deflections applied to the sensor (supported by its crimped contacts as described above). 2 mm deflection was sufficient to generate about 7 V. Voltages above 70V could be generated by bending the tip of the sensor through 90° (see Table 2, Fig. 2).



TABLE 2: LDT0 as Flexible Switch (see Fig 2) Charge Output o/c Voltage Output

| Tip Deflection | Charge Output | o/c Voltage Outpu |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 2 mm | 3.4 nC | 7 V |
| 5 mm | 7.2 nC | 15 V |
| 10 mm | 10 - 12 nC | 20 - 25 V |
| max (90°) | > 30 nC | > 70 V |

Experiment #3

LDT0 Electrical Frequency

Response - when a source capacitance of around 480 pF is connected to a resistive input load, a high-pass filter characteristic results. Using an electronic noise source to generate broad-band signals, the effect of various load resistances was measured and the -3 dB point of the R-C filter determined (see Table 3, Fig. 3).



| (480 pF source capacitance) | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Load Resistance | -3 db Frequency | | |
| 1 Megohm | 330 Hz | | |
| 10 Megohm | 33 Hz | | |
| 100 Megohm | 3.3 Hz | | |

TABLE 2: I DTO Electrical Frequency Dechange (see Fig.2)

Experiment #4

LDT0 Clamped at Different Lengths - using simple clamping fixture, the vibration sensitivity was measured (as in (1) above) as the clamp was moved to allow different "free" lengths to vibrate. The sensor may be "tuned" to suit specific frequency response requirements (see Table 4, Fig. 4).



TABLE 4: LDT0 Clamped at Different Lengths (See Fig. 4) Length Beyond Resonant Settling Time

| Clamp | Frequency | (5 cyc) |
|------------------|-----------|---------|
| 20 mm (no clamp) | 180 Hz | 28 msec |
| 16 mm | 250 Hz | 20 msec |
| 11 mm | 500 Hz | 10 msec |
| 7 mm | 1000 Hz | 5 msec |