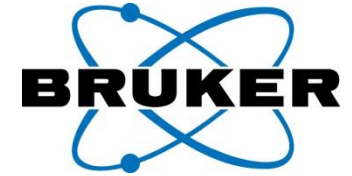
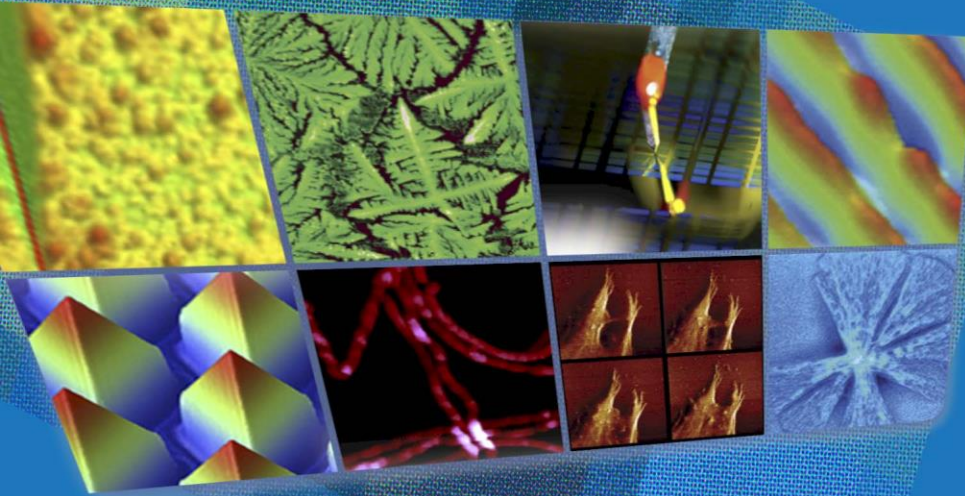


# Scanning Probe Microscope Training



Wenhui Pang



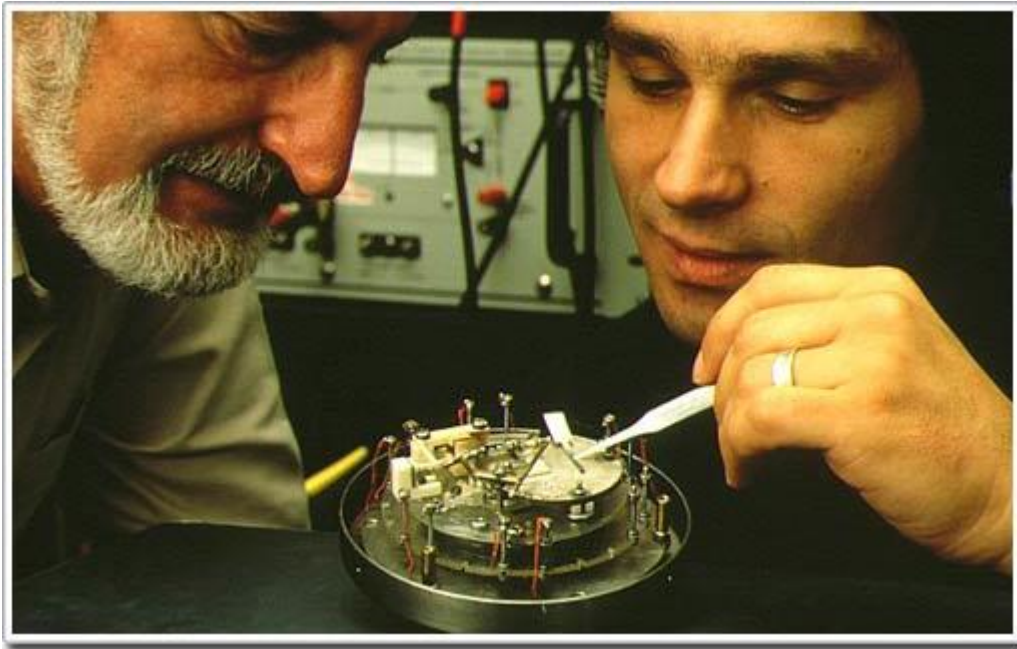
Atomic Force Microscopy  
3D Optical Microscopy  
Tribology  
Automated AFM  
Stylus Profilometry  
Mechanical Testing,  
Nano Indentation

# Background - Comparison of AFM with Other Imaging Modalities



		Optical Microscopy	SEM	TEM	AFM
Resolution	XY	200 nm	2 nm	0.1 nm	1 nm
	Z	500 nm	N/A	N/A	0.1 nm
Sample Preparation		Simple	Moderate	Skilled	Simple
Sample Types		Living or non living	Non living	Non living	Living or non living
Ambient Atmosphere		Air, Fluid, Vacuum	Vacuum	Vacuum	Air, Fluid, Vacuum
Field of View		Large	Large enough	Limited	Moderate
Functionality		Simple	Moderate	Moderate	Advanced
Speed		Fast	Moderate	Slow	Slow
Skill Required		Low	Moderate	Advanced	Advanced
Data Interpretation		Easy	Moderate	Moderate	Complex

# The First SPM in the World

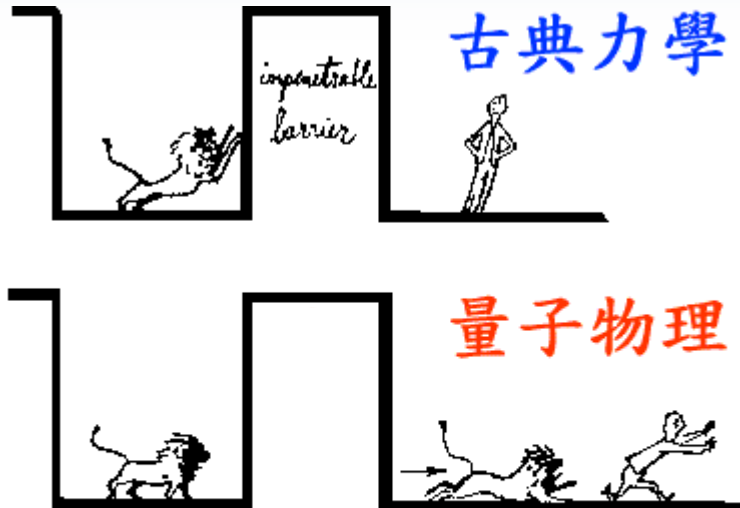


**1986 Nobel Prize**

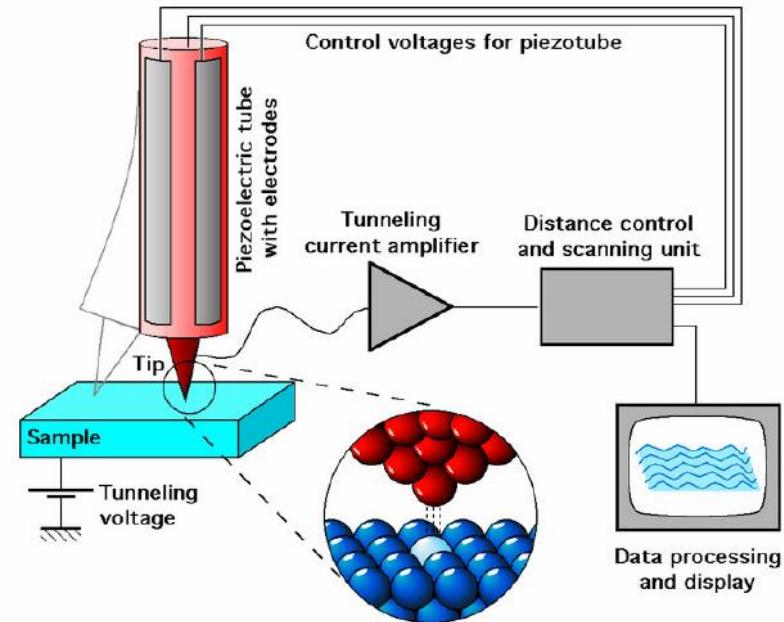
G. Binnig and H. Rohrer invented the first Scanning Tunneling Microscope in 1981.

**STM is the first instrument that can reflect information of material surface in atomic scale.**

# Scanning Tunneling Microscope



The difference between classical theory and quantum theory, illustrating tunneling through potential barrier. This illustration was used by Van Vleck in his last publication, the Julian E. Mack Lecture at his Alma Mater, the University of Wisconsin, in 1979. (After B. Bleaney, Contemp. Phys. 25 (1984) 320.)

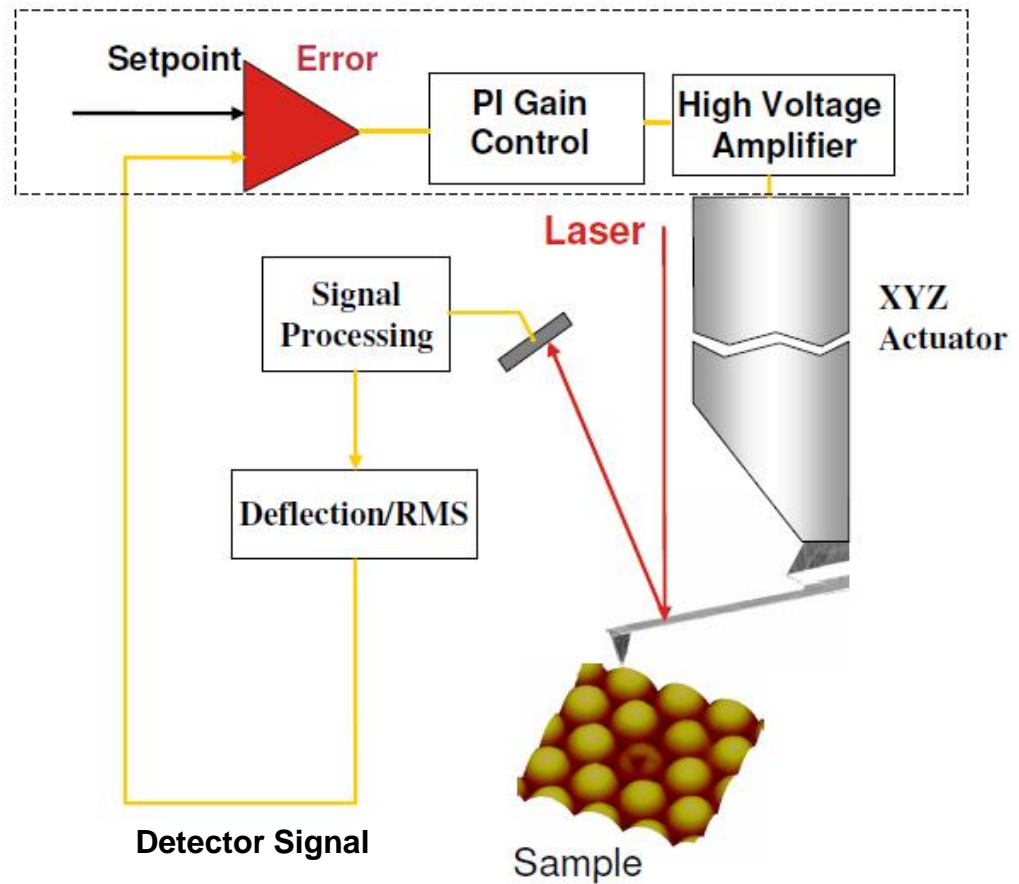
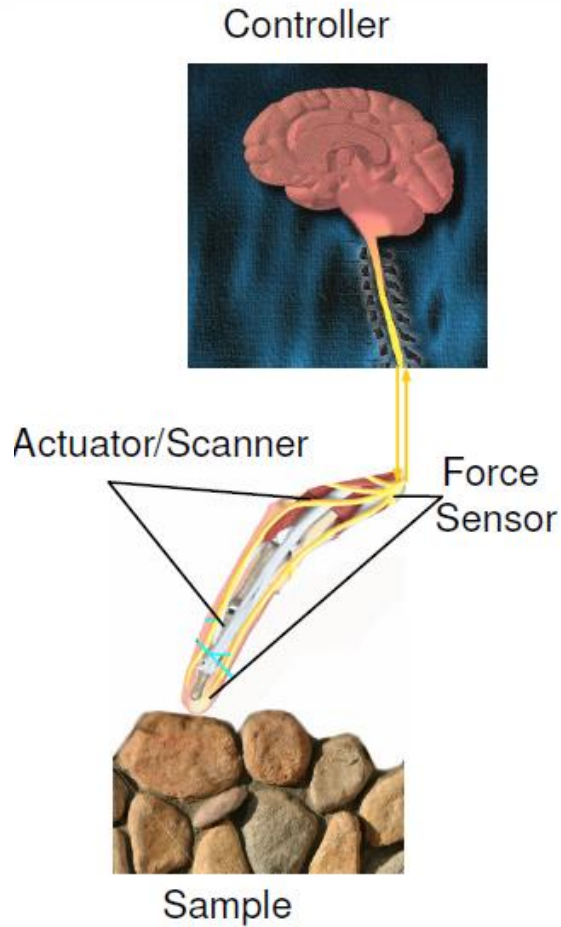


STM is based on the fact that the tunneling current between a conductive tip and sample is exponentially dependent on their separation.

This can be represented by the equation:  $I \sim V e^{-cd}$

This technique is typically **limited to conductive and semiconducting surfaces**

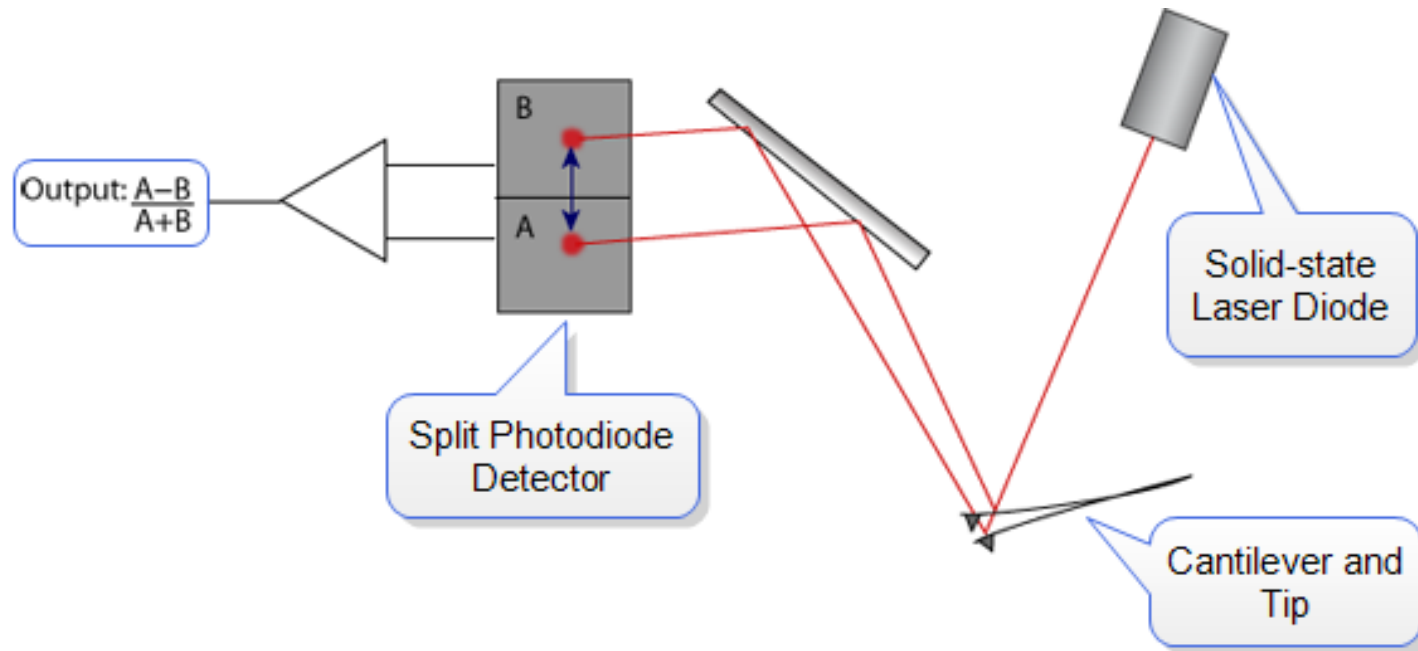
# AFM System



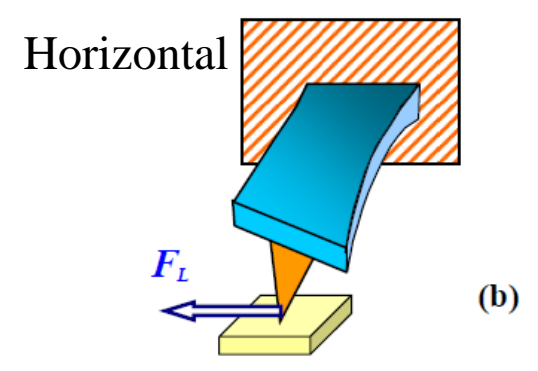
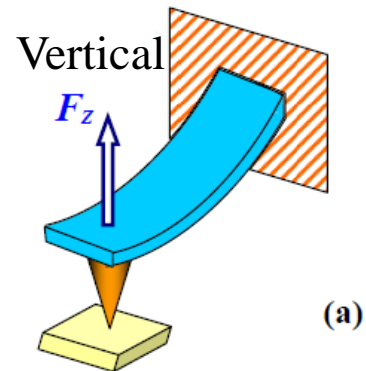
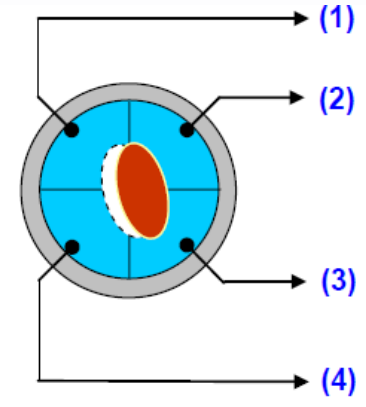
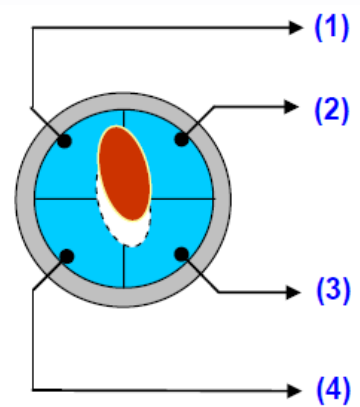
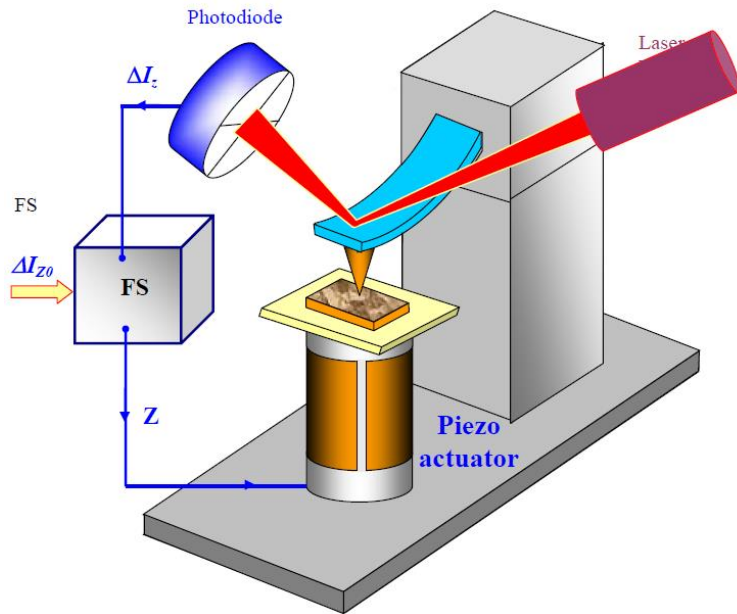
# Position-Sensitive Photodetectors



The optical system is aligned so that the beam emitted by a diode-laser is focused on the cantilever, and the reflected beam hits the center of a photodetector. Four-section split photodiodes are used as position-sensitive photodetectors (PSPD).



# Sum, Vertical and Horizontal



The  $\Delta I_z$  value is used as an input parameter in a feedback loop of the atomic force microscope.

$$\Delta I_z = (\Delta I_1 + \Delta I_2) - (\Delta I_3 + \Delta I_4) \quad \Delta I_L = (\Delta I_1 + \Delta I_4) - (\Delta I_2 + \Delta I_3)$$

$$\text{Sum} = \Delta I_1 + \Delta I_2 + \Delta I_3 + \Delta I_4$$

# Piezoceramic Plate in an External Electric Field

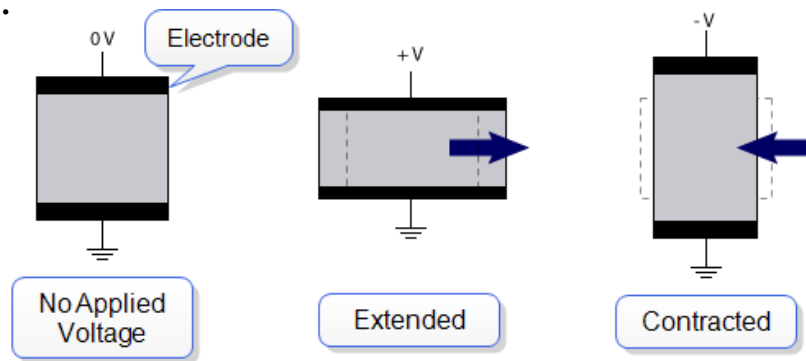


The probe microscope scanners are made of **piezoelectric materials**. Piezoelectric materials change their sizes in an external electric field.

$$u_{ij} = d_{ijk} E_k$$

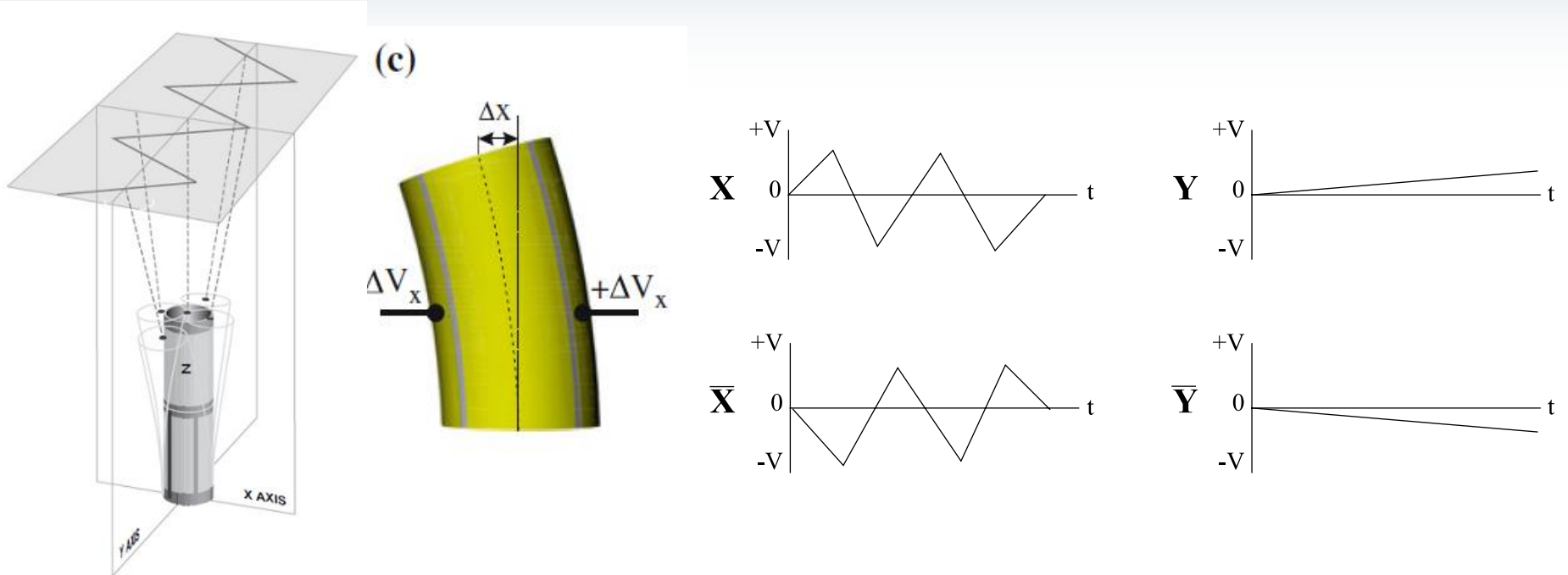
$$u_{xx} = d_{\parallel} E_x \quad u_{rr} = d_{\perp} E_x$$

The piezoceramics is polarized polycrystalline material obtained by **powder sintering from crystal ferroelectrics**.





# Tubular Piezo-scanner



**Z Direction:** Change of the internal electrode potential with respect to all external sections results in **lengthening or reduction** of the tube along Z axis.

**X, Y Directions:** When differential-mode voltage is applied on opposite sections of the external electrode (with respect to the internal electrode) part of the tube reduces in length and increases (where field and polarization directions are opposite). This leads to a **bend** of the tube.

# Piezoceramics Nonlinearity



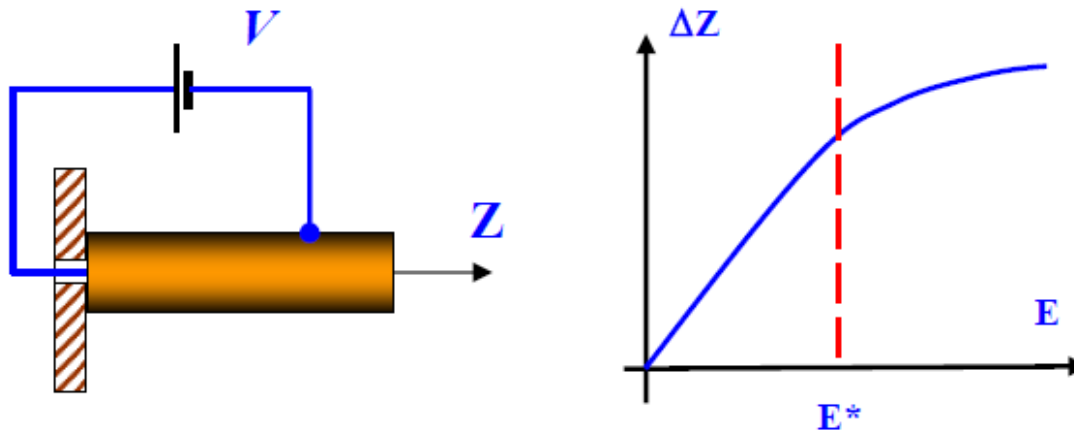
Generally (especially at large control fields) the piezoceramics are characterized by **nonlinear dependence** of the deformation on the field. Thus, deformation of piezoceramics is a complex function of the applied electric field:

$$u_{ij} = u_{ij}(\vec{E})$$

For small control fields the given dependence can be represented in the following way:

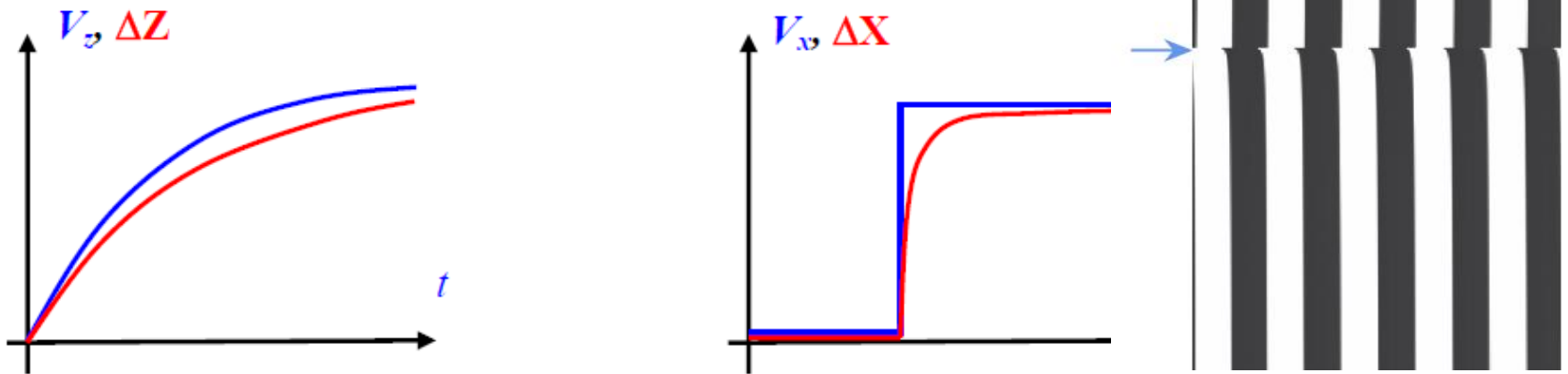
$$u_{ij} = d_{ijk} E_k + \alpha_{ijkl} E_k E_l + \dots$$

Typical values of fields  $E^*$ , at which nonlinear effects cannot be neglected, are about **100 V/mm**.



# Piezoceramics Creep

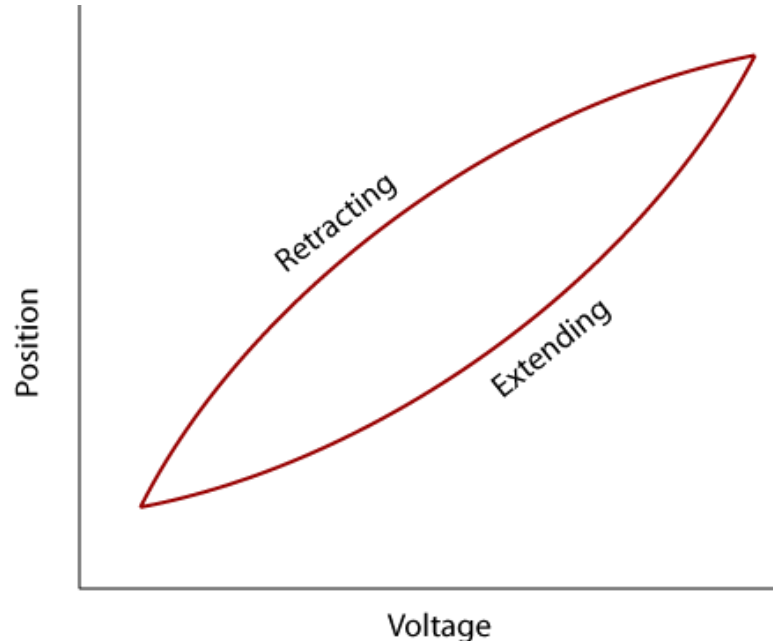
Piezoceramics creep is a **delay** in the response to **sudden change** of the control electric field value.



The creep results in **appearance of geometrical distortions** in SPM images. Specifically strong influence of the creep occurs, **on initial stages of the scanning process**, or **after a large displacement of the starting point of the scanned area**.

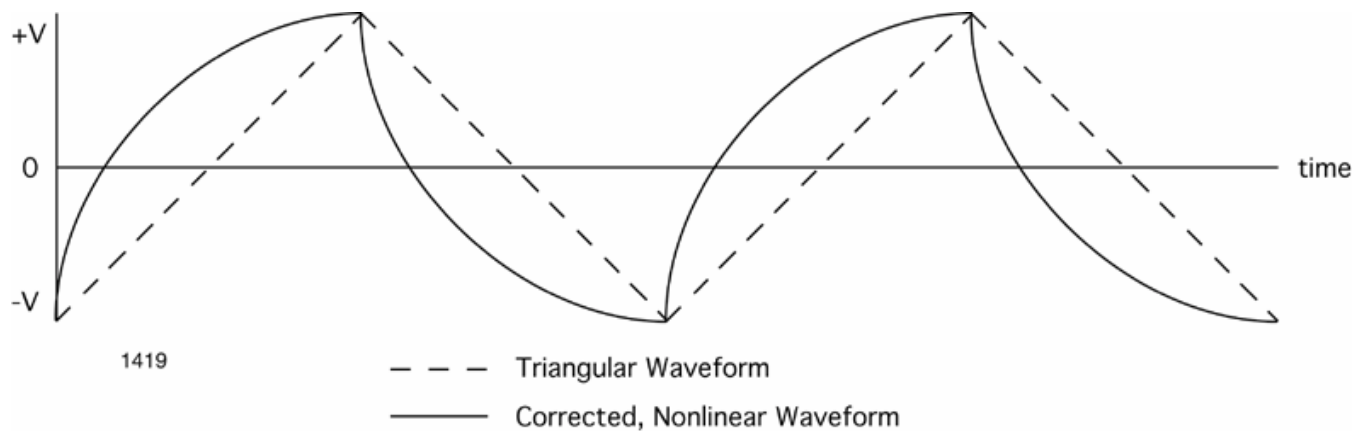
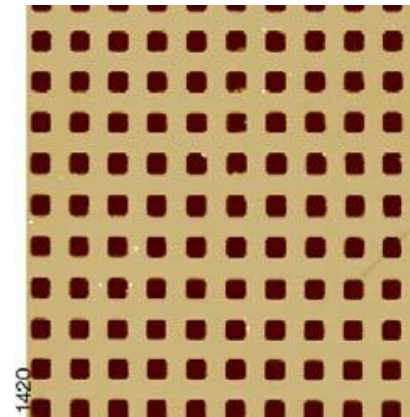
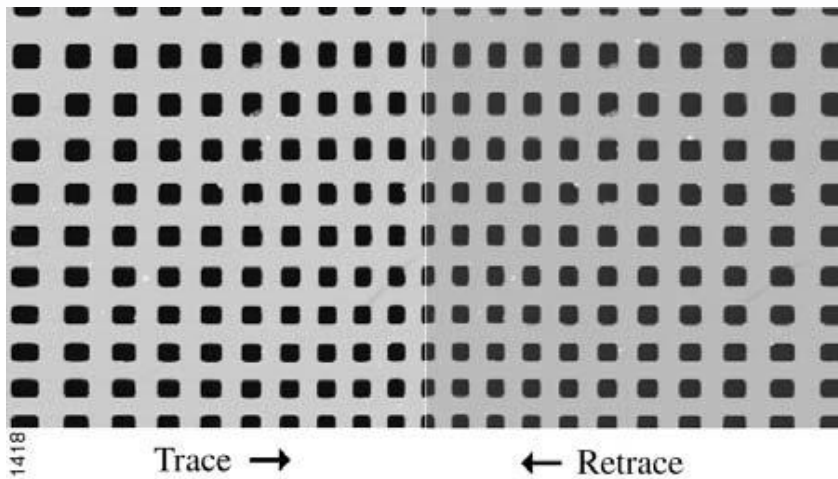
# Piezoceramics Hysteresis

Piezoceramics hysteresis is that the piezoceramic deformation depends on the sign of previously applied electric field.



To avoid distortions in the SPM images caused by piezoceramics hysteresis, information is stored, in a sample scanning, only while **tracing one of the loop branches**  $\Delta Z = f(V)$ .

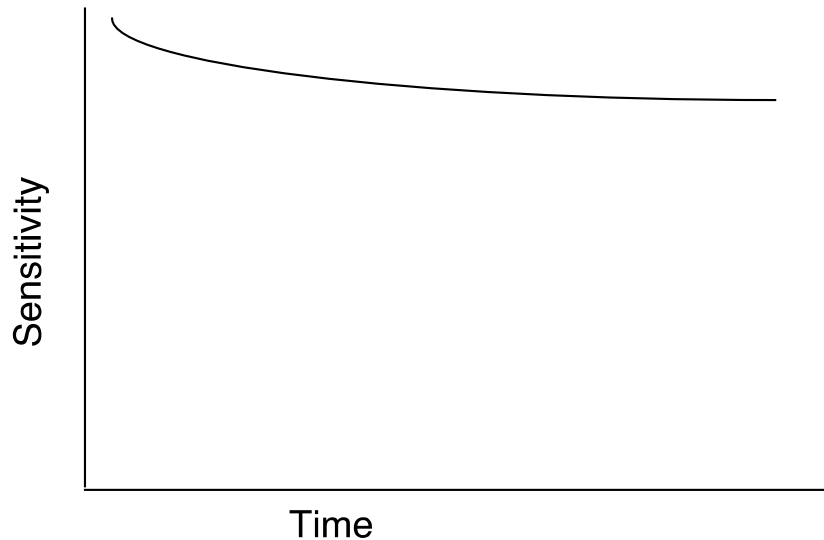
# Piezoceramics Hysteresis



# Piezoceramics Aging



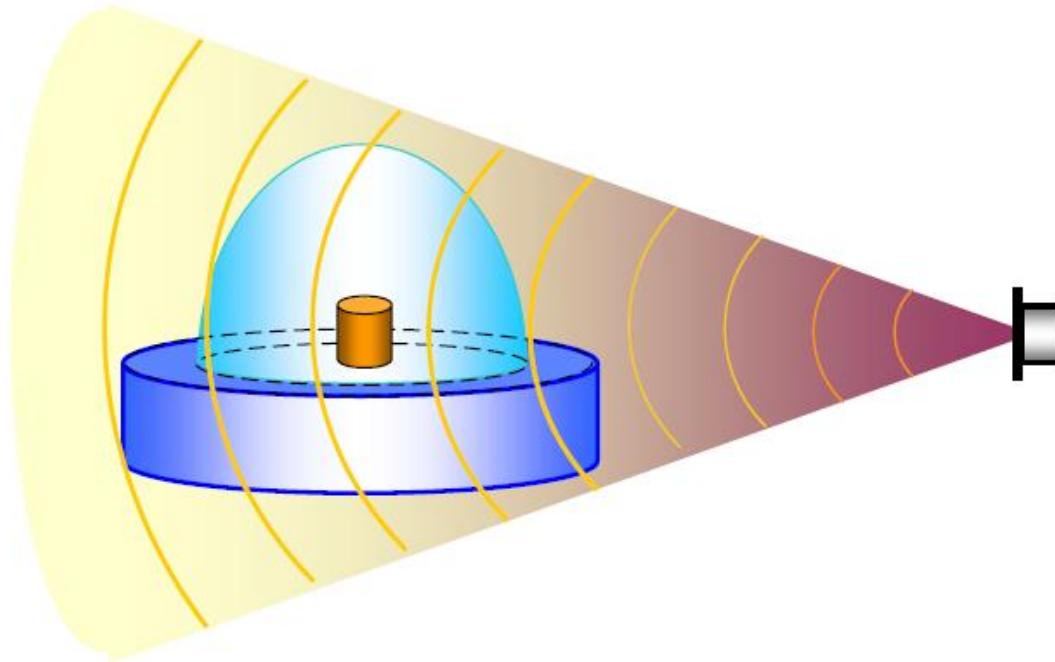
The sensitivity of piezoelectric materials **decreases exponentially with operation time**. This causes most of the change in the sensitivity to occur **at the beginning of a scanner's life**. Scanners are run approximately 48 hours before they are shipped from the factory to get the scanner past the point where the sensitivity changes dramatically over short periods of time. As the scanner ages, the sensitivity will change less with time, and will eventually get to the point where it very seldom needs recalibrating.



First Year- Every 3 months

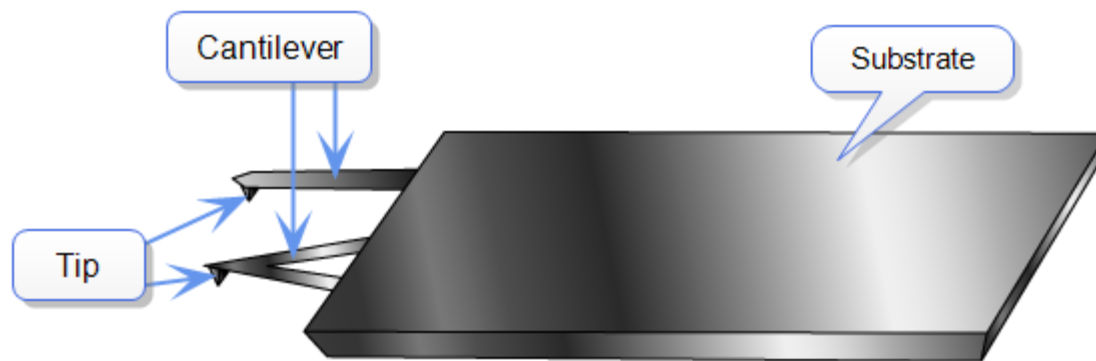
Subsequent Years -Every 6 months

# Protection against Acoustic Noise



Acoustic waves directly affect elements of SPM heads, resulting in oscillations of the tip with respect to the sample surface. Various protective enclosures, allowing a sensible reduction of the level of acoustic noise are used to protect the SPM. The most effective protection against acoustic noise is to place the measuring head into a vacuum chamber.

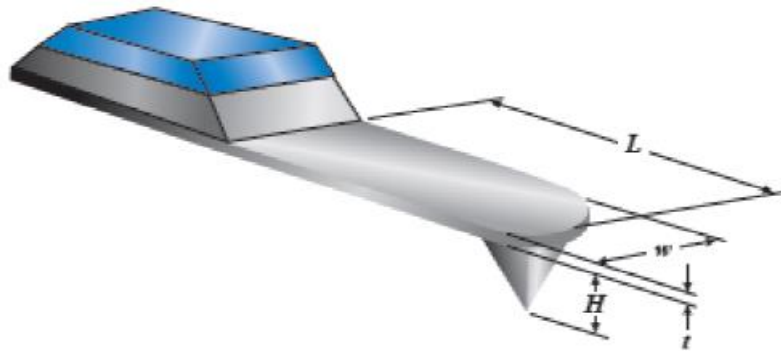
# AFM Probes



- An AFM probe has three components: tip, cantilever, and substrate
- There are two different shapes of cantilever: rectangular and triangular
- Key probe parameters: spring constant ( $k$ ), resonance frequency ( $f_0$ ), and tip radius ( $R$ )
- For more information, please visit <http://www.brukerafmprobes.com>



# Cantilever Parameters



$w$  – width of cantilever

$H$  – tip height

$p$  – cantilever mass per unit-length

$$\rho_{air} = 1.18 \text{ kg} / \text{m}^3$$

$$\eta_{air} = 1.86 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg} / \text{m} \cdot \text{s}$$

$t$  – thickness of cantilever

$f_0$  – resonance frequency of cantilever (in Hz)

$\rho$  – density of cantilever (silicon) =  $2.33 \text{ gm/cm}^3 = 2330 \text{ kg/m}^3$

$L$  – length of cantilever

$P$  – mass of tip

$E$  – elastic modulus of cantilever =  $1.39 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$  (in the  $\langle 110 \rangle$  direction)

Spring Constant :

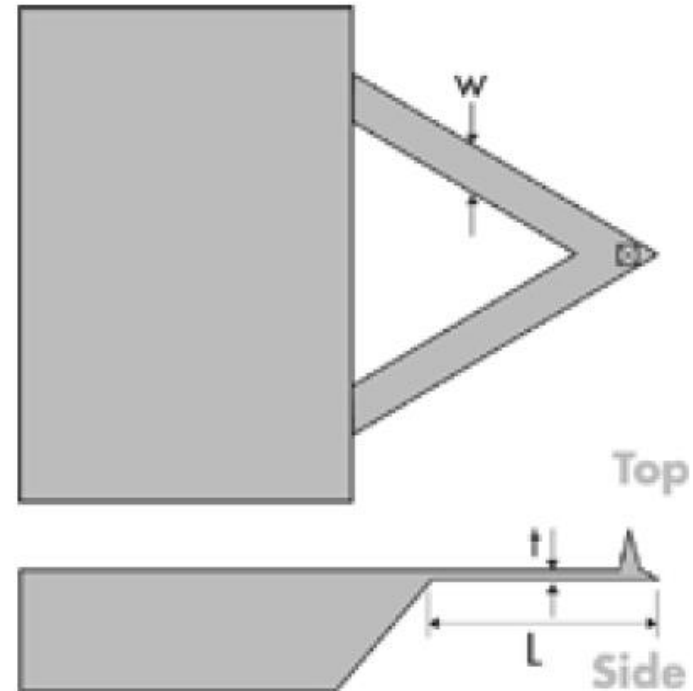
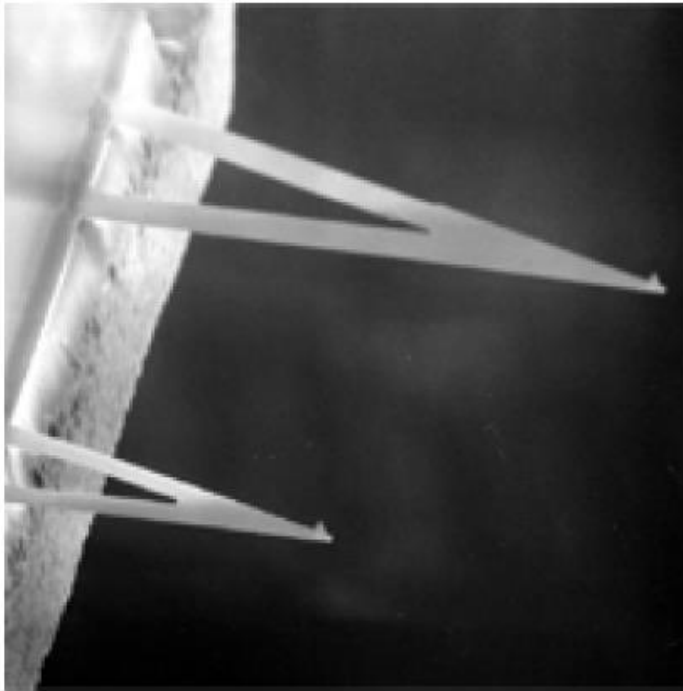
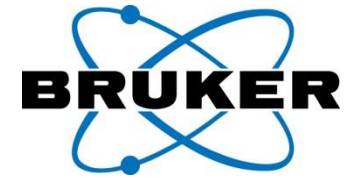
$$k = \frac{F}{Z} = \frac{Ewt^3}{4L^3}$$

Resonance Frequency (without tip mass):

$$f_0 = 0.162 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}} \cdot \frac{t}{L^2} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}} \cdot \frac{t}{L^2}$$

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

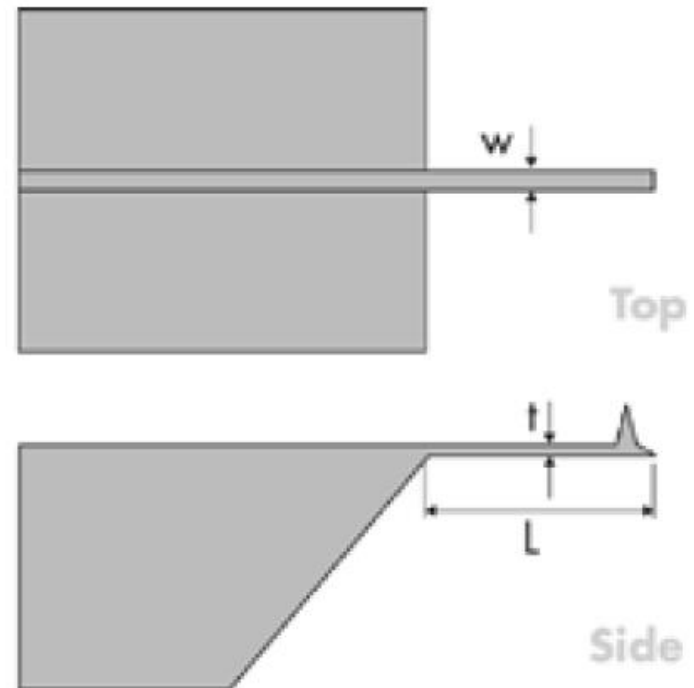
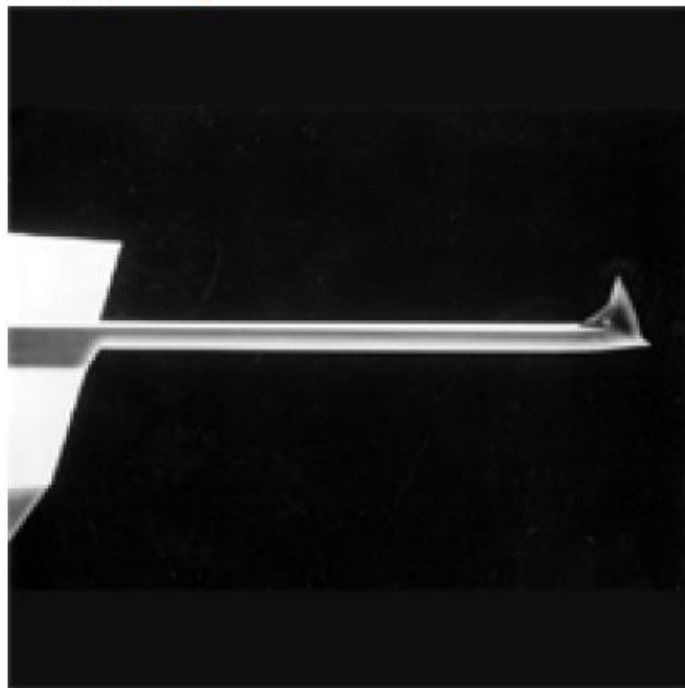
# Nitride Probes



A wafer of silicon nitride probes for contact and fluid tapping mode imaging and force measurement.

DNP, DNP-S, SNL, DNP-O, ScanAsyst-Air, ScanAsyst-Fluid, ScanAsyst-Fluid+

# Silicon Probes



(R)TESP(A), (O)TESPA, OLTESPA, (R)FESP(A)  
SCM-PIT, SCM-PIC, MESP, DDESP

# Factors to Be Considered



1

## Sample Properties to be Measured

Topography  
Viscoelasticity  
Electric Properties  
Magnetic Properties

2

## Environment

Air  
Liquid

3

## Imaging Mode

Contact Mode  
Tapping Topography  
Tapping Phase  
TRmode

# Probe Selection Guide — Life Science



Sample Type	Imaging Environment		Probe Family / Model	Nominal Specifications			Coatings			
	Liquid	Air		Force Constant (N/m)	Resonant Frequency (kHz)	Radius of Curvature (nm)	Backside	Tip Side		
Life Sciences	Biomolecules (nucleic acids, proteins, lipids, carbohydrates, etc.)	-	✓	Silicon	TESPA	42	320	8	Al	None
		-	✓		RTESPA	40	300	8	Al	None
		-	✓		NCHV-A	42	320	10	Al	None
		✓	✓	Silicon Nitride	DNP-S	0,06-0,58	18-57	10	Au	None
		✓	✓		MSCT	0,01-0,5	7-120	10	Au	None
		✓	✓		SNL	0,06-0,58	18-57	2	Au	None
		✓	✓		MSNL	0,01-0,5	7-120	2	Au	None
		✓	✓		ScanAsyst-Air	0,2-0,8	45-95	2	Al	None
		✓	-		ScanAsyst-Fluid	0,35-1,4	100-200	20	Au	None
	✓	-	ScanAsyst-Fluid+		0,35-1,4	100-200	2	Au	None	
	Cells	✓	-	Silicon Nitride	DNP	0,06-0,58	18-57	20	Au	None
		✓	-		MLCT	0,01-0,5	7-120	20	Au	None
	Tissues	-	✓	Silicon	TESPA	42	320	8	Al	None
		-	✓		RTESPA	40	300	8	Al	None
		-	✓		NCHV-A	42	320	10	Al	None
✓		-	Silicon Nitride	DNP	0,06-0,58	18-57	20	Au	None	
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✓		-		SNL	0,06-0,58	18-57	2	Au	None	
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✓		✓		ScanAsyst-Air	0,2-0,8	45-95	2	Al	None	
✓		-		ScanAsyst-Fluid	0,35-1,4	100-200	20	Au	None	
✓	-	ScanAsyst-Fluid+	0,35-1,4	100-200	2	Au	None			

Probe Attributes	AFM Mode					
	Peak Force/ Scan Asyst	Tapping	Contact	Force Curves	Electrical	Magnetic
Highest Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
Highest Resolution, Symmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Low Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Highest Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
Highest Resolution, Symmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
Low Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	✓	-	-
High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	✓	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
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# Probe Selection Guide — Material



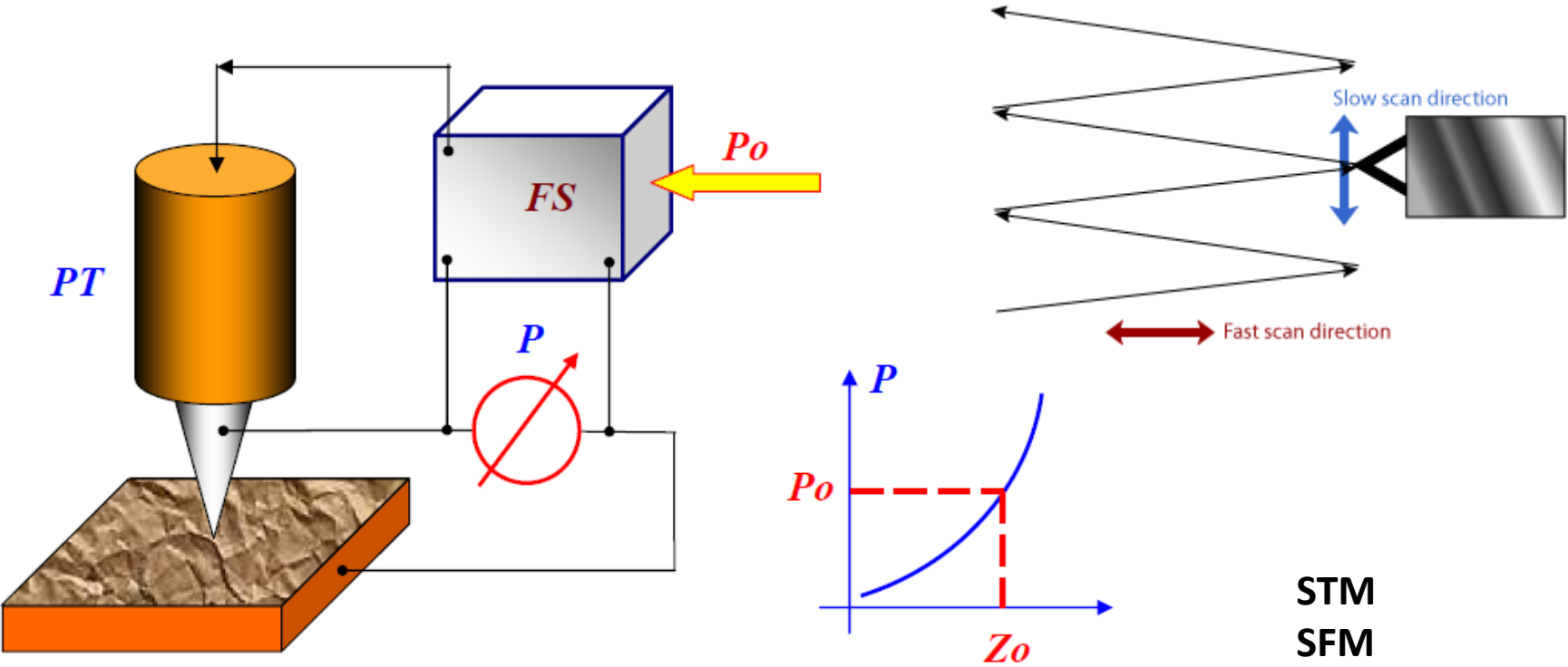
Sample Type	Imaging Environment		Probe Family / Model	Nominal Specifications			Coatings			
	Liquid	Air		Force Constant (N/m)	Resonant Frequency (kHz)	Radius of Curvature (nm)	Backside	Tip Side		
	Materials									
Polymers / Soft Samples	-	✓	Silicon	FESP	2,8	75	<10	None	None	
	-	✓		TESPA	42	320	8	Al	None	
	-	✓		LTESP	48	190	<10	None	None	
	-	✓		NCHV-A	42	320	10	Al	None	
	✓	✓	Silicon Nitride	DNP	0,06-0,58	18-57	20	Au	None	
	✓	✓		SNL	0,06-0,58	18-57	2	Au	None	
	-	✓		MLCT	0,01-0,5	7-120	20	Au	None	
	✓	✓		ScanAsyst-Air	0,2-0,8	45-95	2	Al	None	
	✓	✓		ScanAsyst-Fluid	0,35-1,4	100-200	20	Au	None	
	✓	✓		ScanAsyst-Fluid+	0,35-1,4	100-200	2	Au	None	
	Hard Samples	-	✓	Silicon	TESPA	42	320	8	Al	None
		-	✓		NCHV-A	42	320	10	Al	None
		-	✓		RTESPA	40	300	8	Al	None
		-	✓	Modified Silicon	MESP-RC	2,8	75	25	Co/Cr	Co/Cr
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Probe Attributes	AFM Mode					
	Peak Force/ Scan Asyst	Tapping	Contact	Force Curves	Electrical	Magnetic
High Resolution, Lower Force, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	✓	-	-
Highest Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	✓	-	-
High Resolution, Long-Lever, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	✓	-	-
High Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	✓	-	-
Low Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	✓	-	-
Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip		-	✓	✓	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Highest Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
Highest Resolution, Symmetric Tip		✓	-	-	-	-
High Performance, Magnetic Characterization, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	✓	✓
High Performance, Electrical Characterization, Asymmetric Tip		-	✓	-	✓	-
High Performance, Electrical Characterization, Asymmetric Tip		✓	-	-	✓	-
Conductive, with Increased Wear Resistance		-	✓	-	✓	-
Low Force, Symmetric Tip		✓	✓	-	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Low Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)		✓	✓	-	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (sharpened)	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Ultra-High Resolution, Lowest Force, Symmetric Tip (extremely sharp)	✓	-	-	-	-	-

# Basic Working Principle

If there is a **sharp enough** and **unique (single valued)** dependence  $P = P(z)$  of that parameter on the tip-sample distance, then  $P$  can be used in the feedback system (FS) that control the distance between the tip and the sample.



STM  
SFM

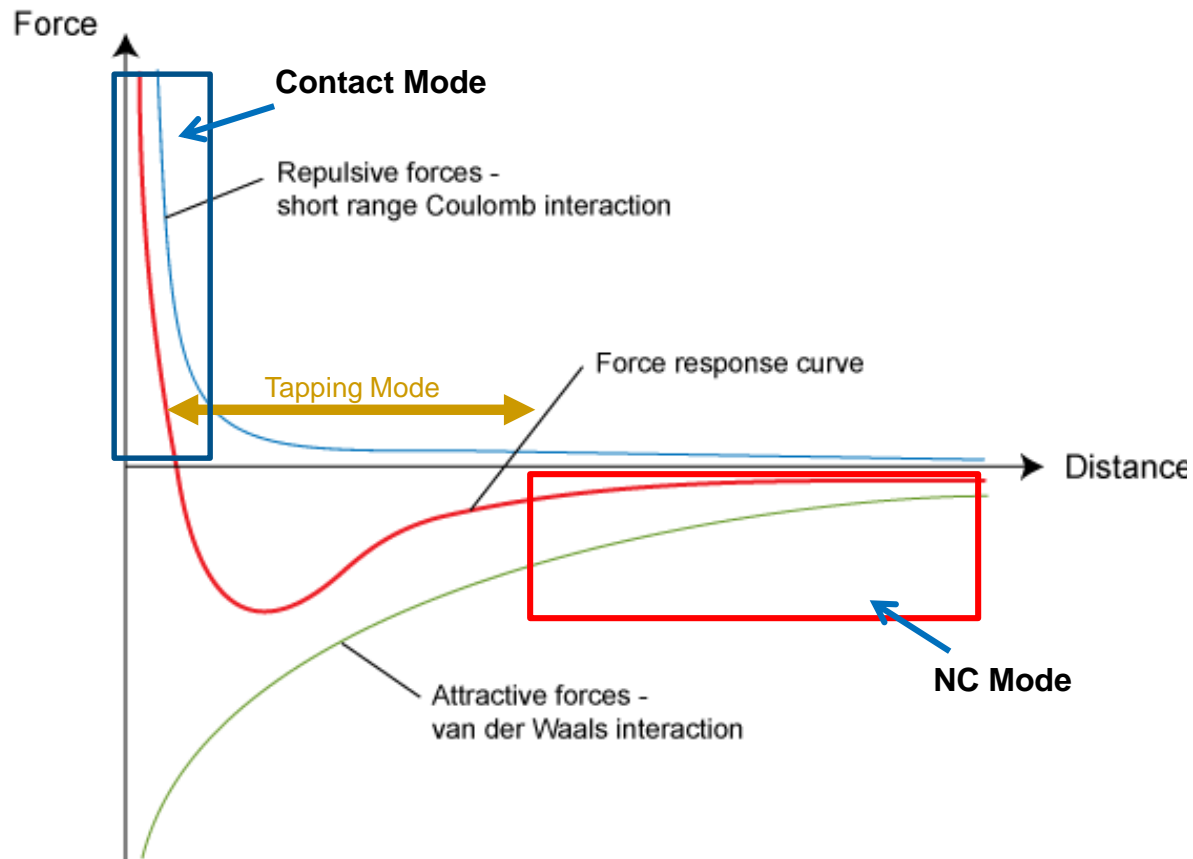
# SPM Primary Imaging Modes



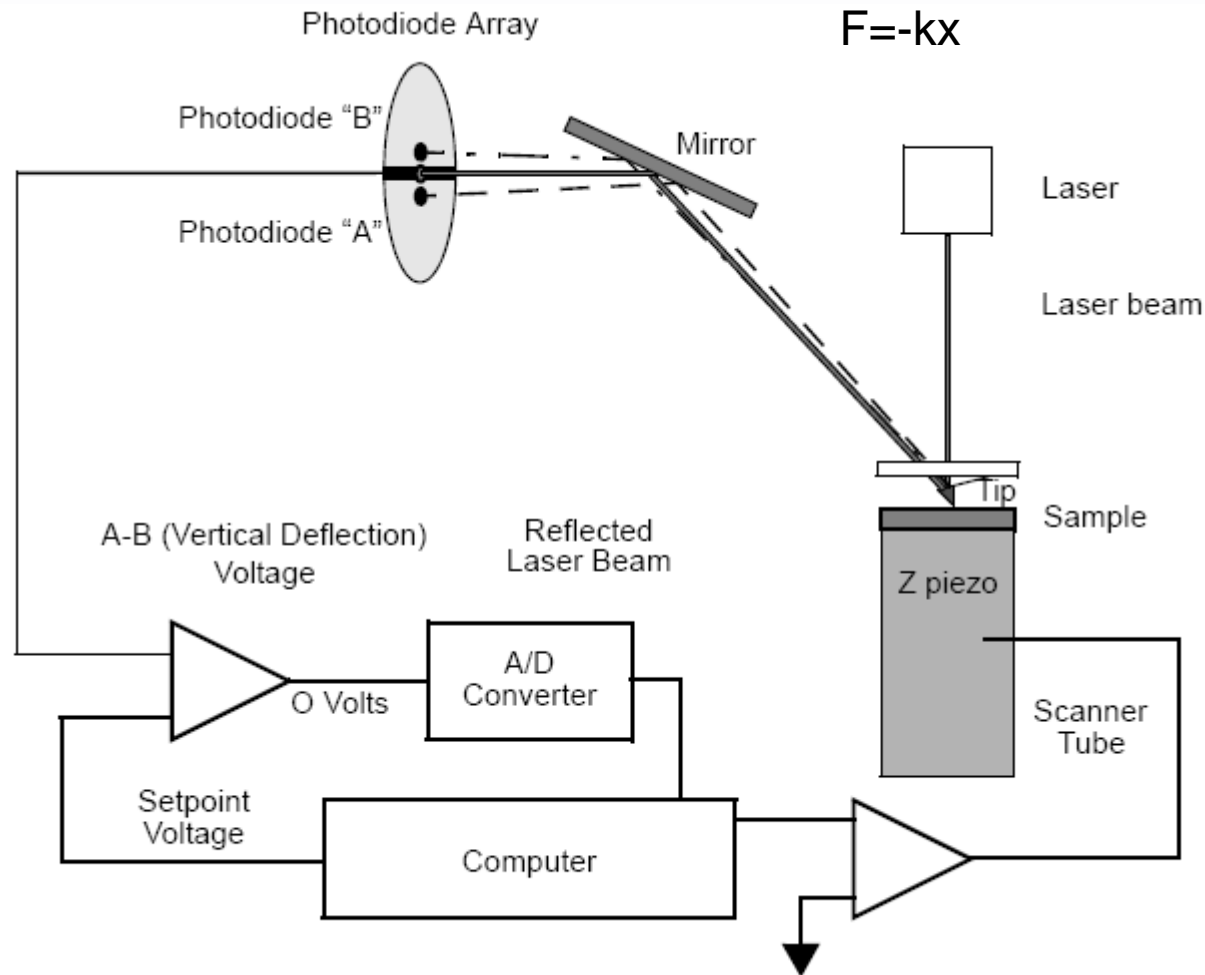
<b><math>P = P(z)</math></b>	<b>Working Mode</b>
<b>Tunneling Current <math>i</math></b>	<b>Scanning Tunneling Microscope (STM)</b>
<b>Cantilever Amplitude <math>A</math></b>	<b>Tapping Mode AFM™</b>
<b>Cantilever Deflection <math>D</math></b>	<b>Contact Mode AFM</b>
<b>Cantilever TR Amplitude <math>A_t</math></b>	<b>Torsional Resonance Mode (TRmode) AFM™</b>
<b>Tip-Sample Force <math>F</math></b>	<b>PeakForce Tapping AFM™</b>



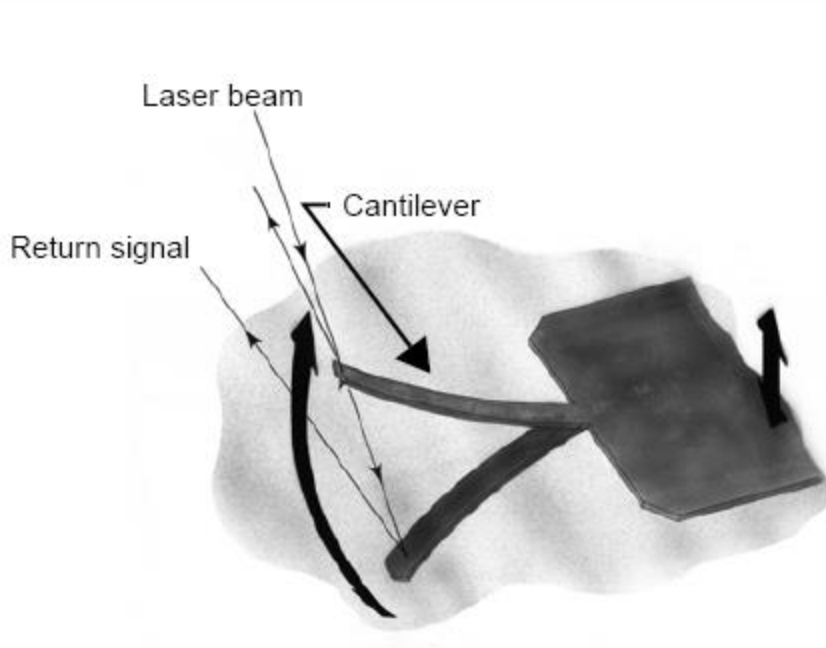
# The Lennard-Jones Potential



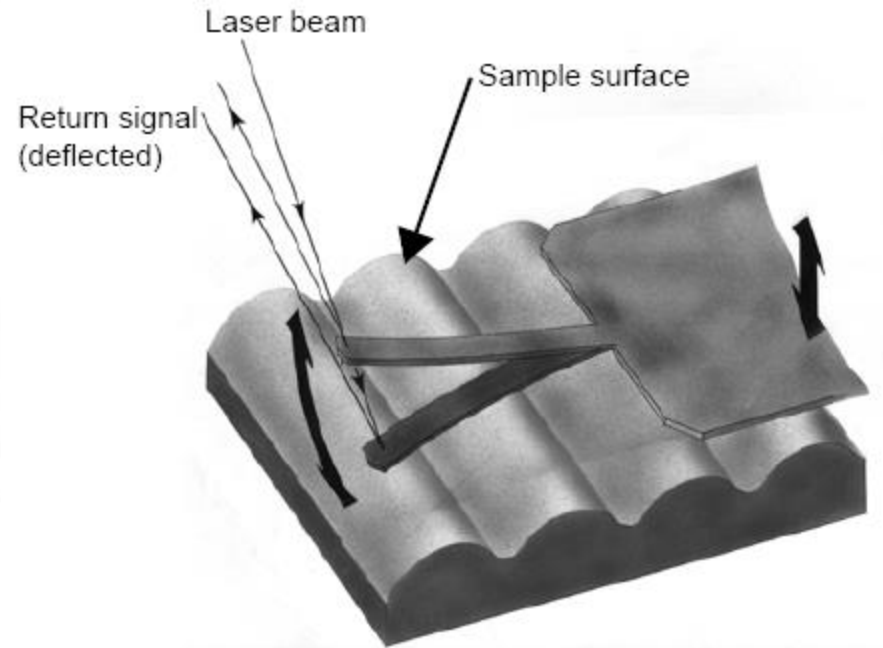
# Simplified Block Diagram of Contact Mode AFM



# Tapping Mode AFM



**Tapping Cantilever in Free Air.**



**Tapping cantilever on sample surface. Note deflection of cantilever and return signal.**

# Advantages and Disadvantages - Contact

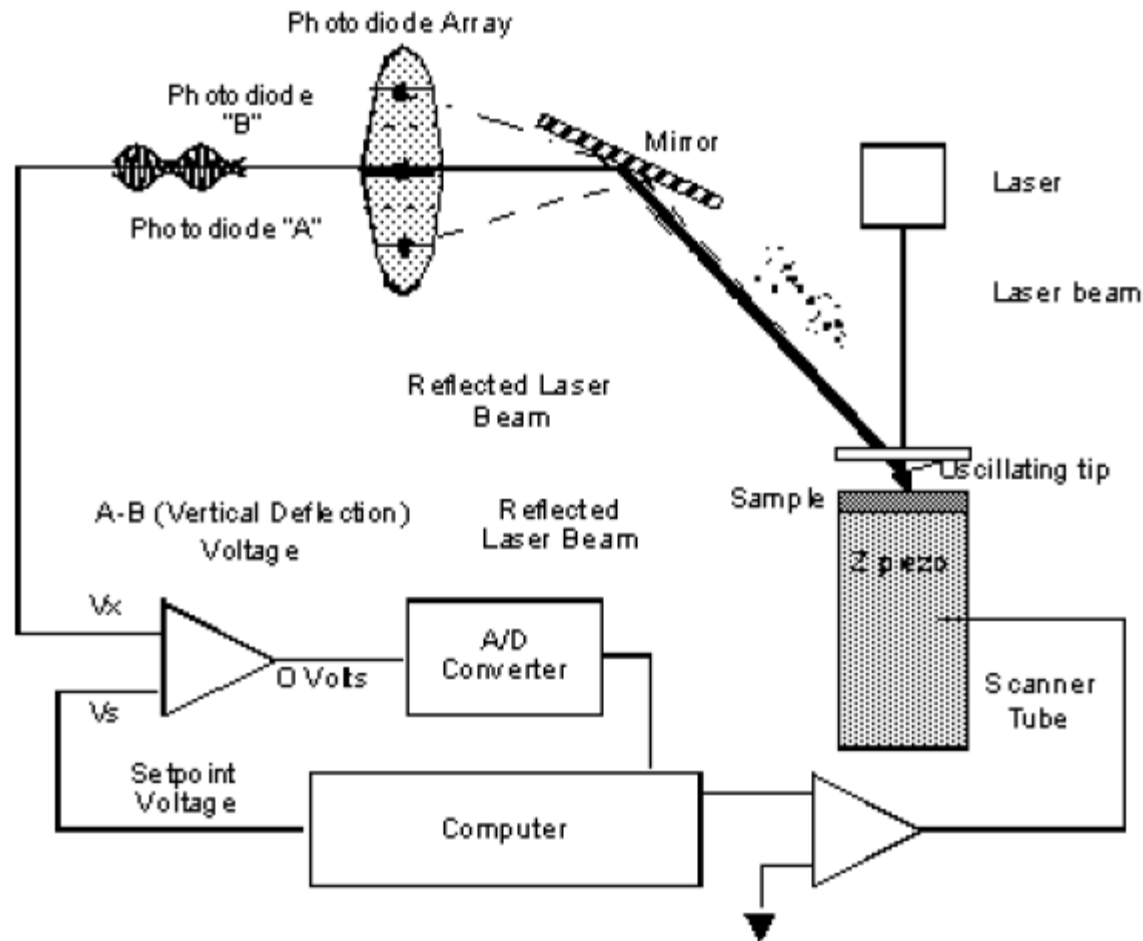
## *Advantages*

- Compared with tapping mode under same experimental conditions, the contact mode has higher scan speeds (throughput)
- Rough samples with extreme changes in vertical topography can sometimes be scanned more easily
- Some special applications, such as lithography, SCM, scratch, must be done under contact mode
- Compared with tapping mode, contact mode is a “static” mode, no need to deal with dynamics of cantilever (no tuning needed), feedback control is easier

## *Disadvantages*

- Lateral (shear) forces can distort features in the image
- Forces normal to the tip-sample interaction can be high in air due to capillary forces from the adsorbed fluid layer on the sample surface
- Combination of lateral forces and high normal forces can result in reduced spatial resolution and may damage soft samples (i.e., biological samples, polymers, silicon) due to scraping between the tip and sample

# Simplified Block Diagram of Tapping Mode AFM



# Advantages and Disadvantages- Tapping

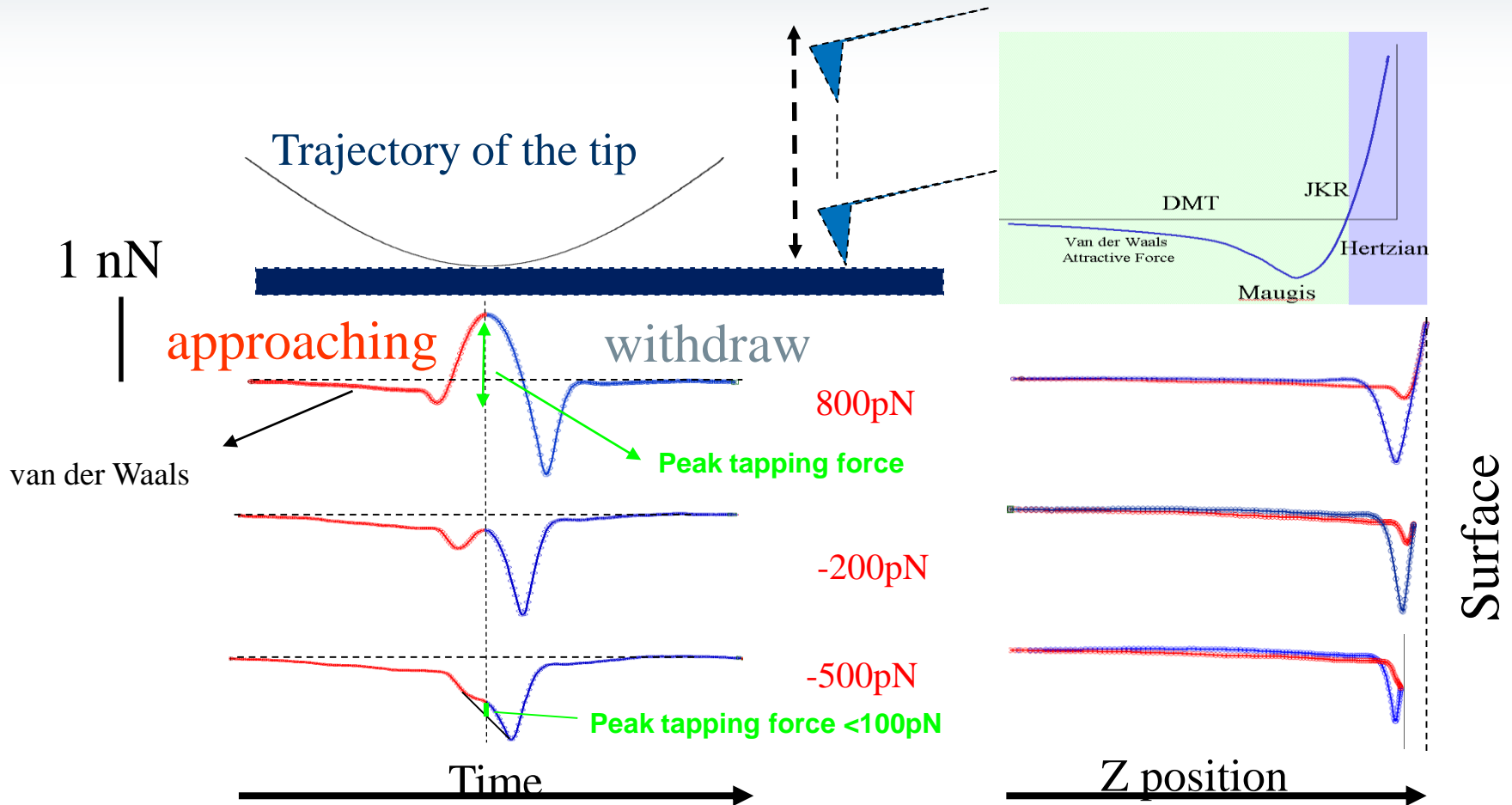
## *Advantages*

- Compared with contact mode in air, can achieve higher lateral resolution on most samples (1nm to 5nm)
- Compared with contact mode, tapping mode has lower forces and less damage to soft samples imaged in air
- Lateral forces are virtually eliminated, so there is no scratching

## *Disadvantages*

- Slightly slower scan speed than contact mode AFM
- Need to deal with dynamics of cantilever, feedback loop is harder to adjust
- Cannot be easily operated in vacuum environment
- Fluid operation is difficult
- Tip-sample interaction force is not directly controlled

# Peak Force Tapping Control

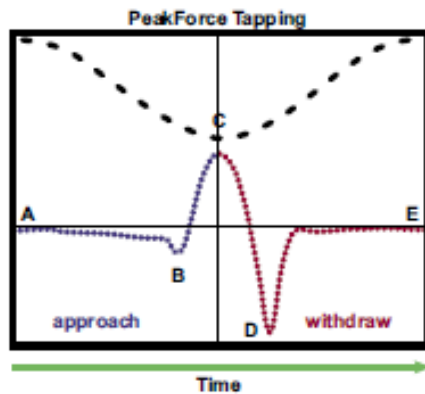


TESP (42 N/m) on Si, MM8

# ScanAsyst Advantages



- Automatic image optimization results in faster, more consistent results, **regardless of user skill level**
- Direct force control at **ultra-low forces** helps protect delicate samples and tips from damage
- Elimination of cantilever tuning, setpoint adjustment, and gain optimization makes even **fluid imaging simple**



- Auto Optimization of:
- Set Point
  - Gain
  - Scan Rate
  - Z - Limit





# Secondary Imaging Modes



## Derivation of Contact Mode

**LFM**  
**cAFM**  
**TUNA**  
**PFM**  
**SCM**  
**SSRM**  
**SThM**

## Derivation of Tapping Mode™

**Phase Imaging™**  
**EFM**  
**MFM**  
**TP-KPFM**

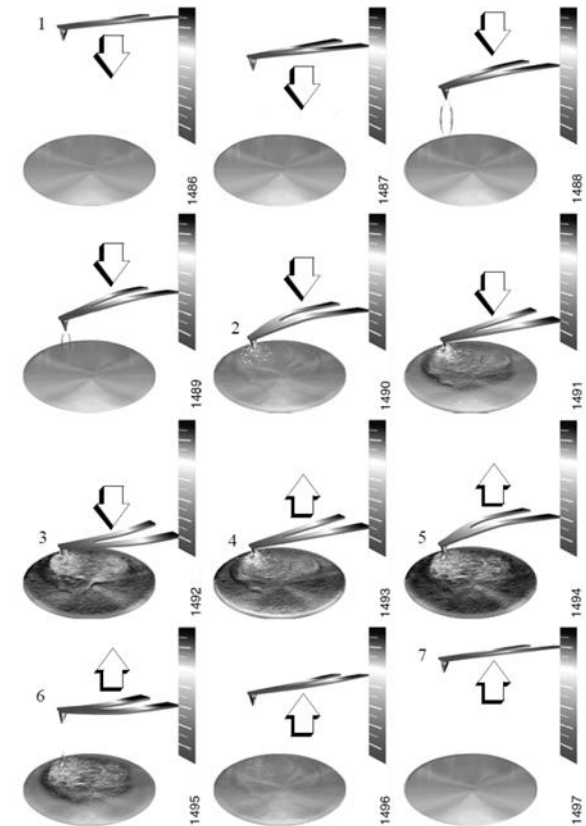
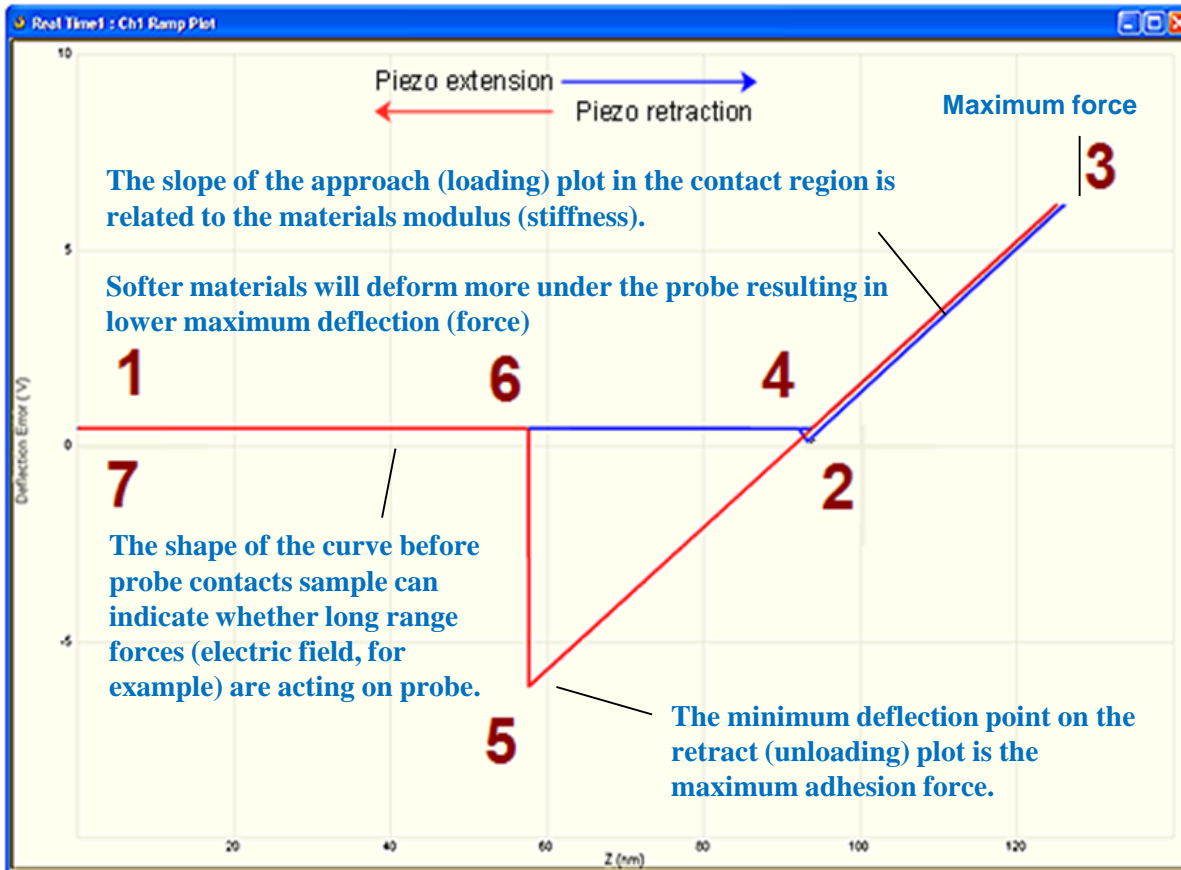
## Derivation of TRmode™

**TR cAFM**  
**TR TUNA**

## Derivation of PeakForce Tapping

**ScanAsyst™**  
**PeakForce QNM™**  
**PeakForce TUNA™**  
**PeakForce SSRM**  
**PeakForce KPFM**

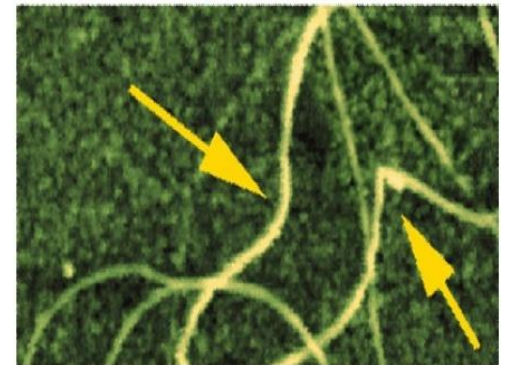
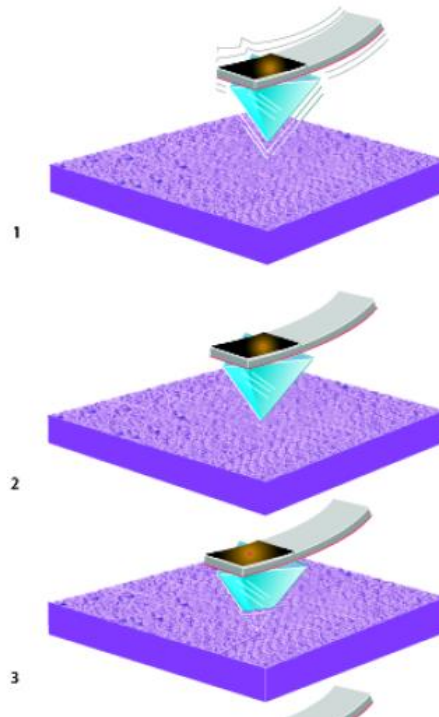
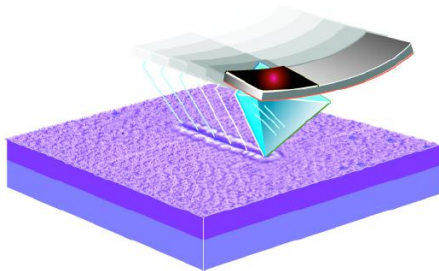
# Non-Imaging Modes – Force Curve



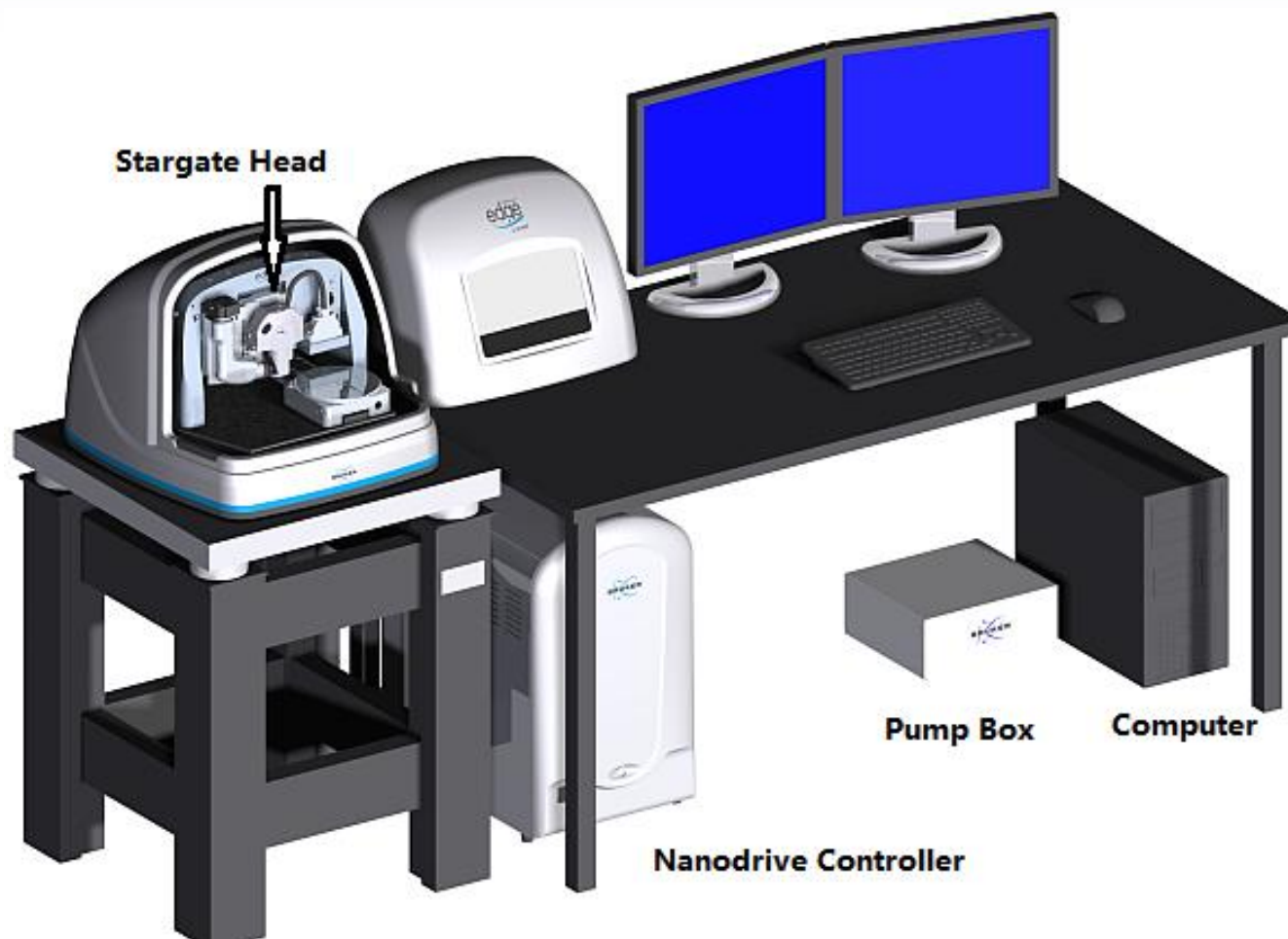
# Surface Modification



- **Surface Modification Techniques:** Nanolithography, Nanoindentation, Nanoscratching, Nanomanipulation



# Basic Components of SPM - Dimension Edge



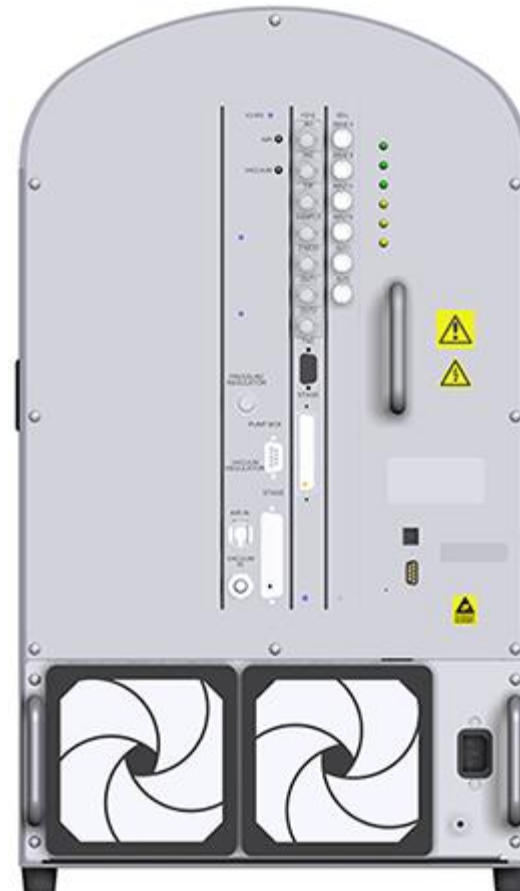
Stargate Head

Pump Box

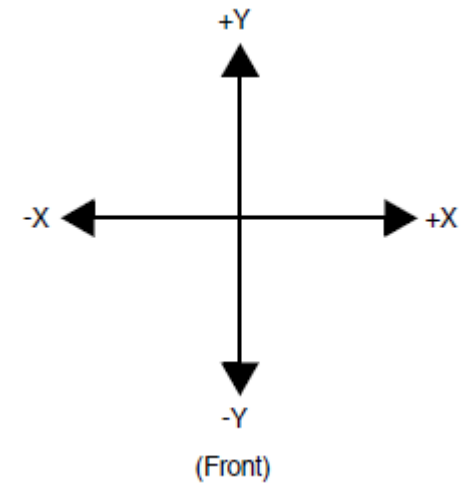
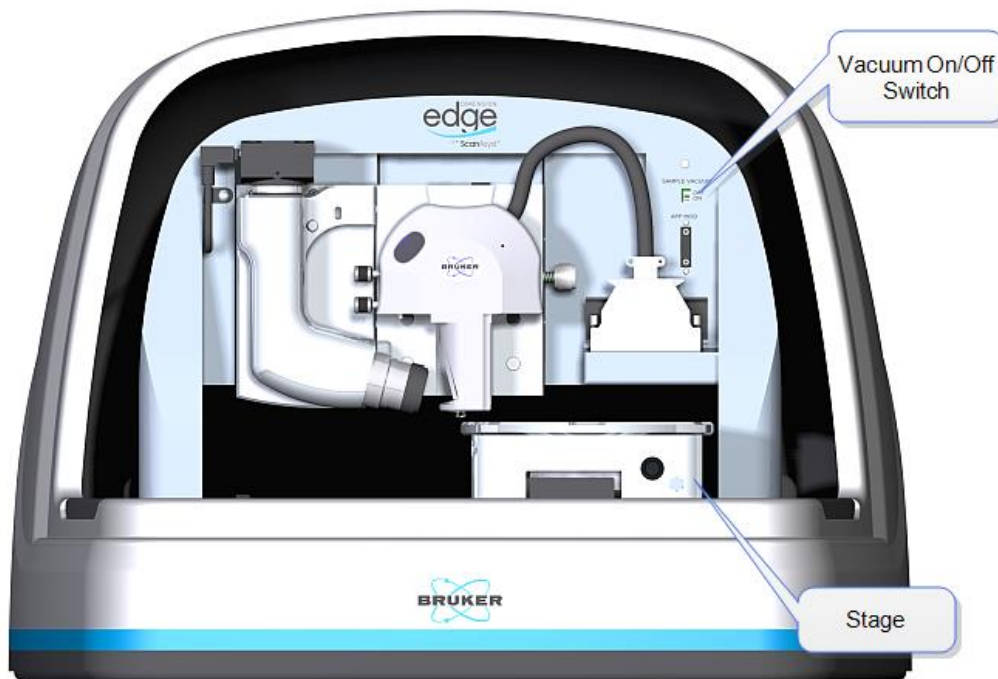
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Nanodrive Controller

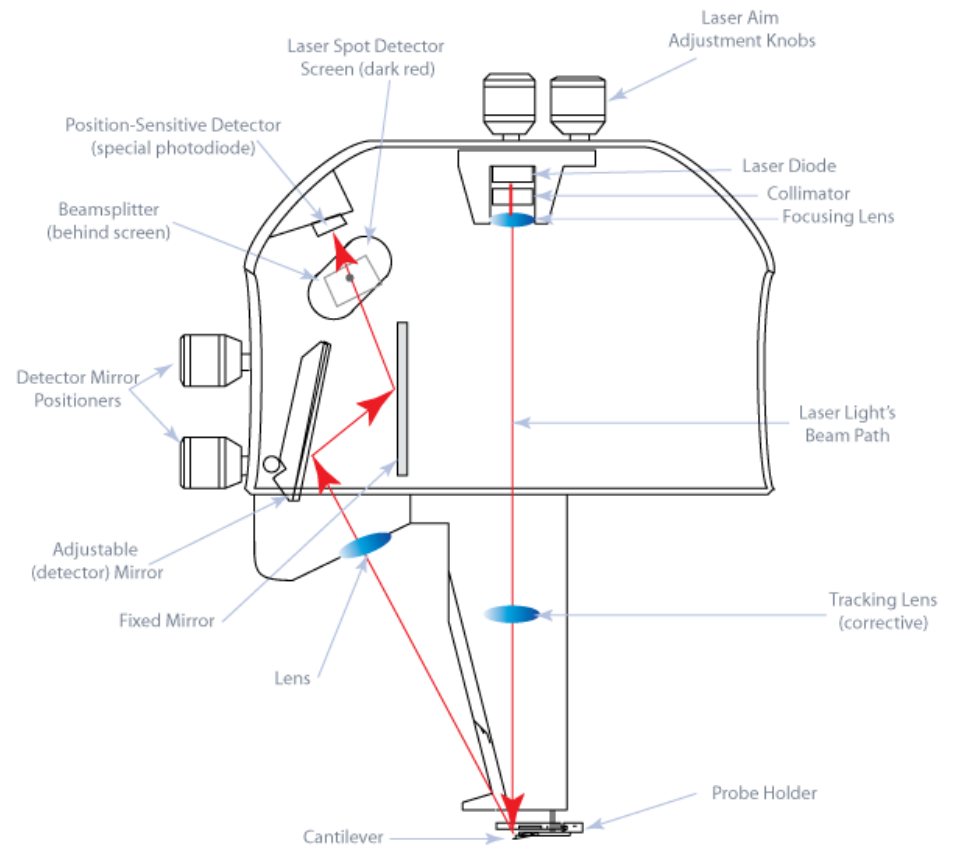
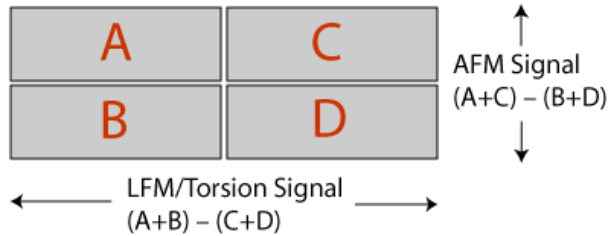
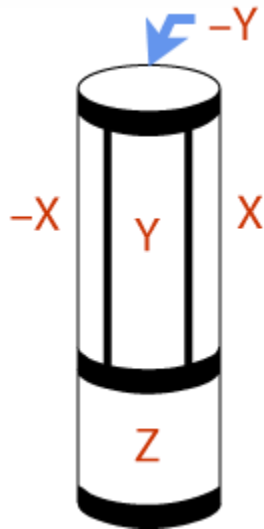
# Nanodrive Controller



# Stage System



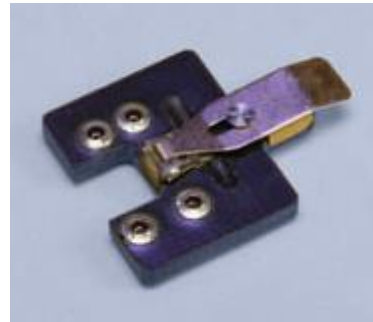
# Dimension Stargate Head



# Dimension SPM Probe Holder



Standard



Non-Magnetic



STM



Fluid



SCM



CAFM, TUNA



# Resolution Issues



## Lateral Resolution

### *Tip Shape:*

The radius of curvature of the end of the tip will determine the highest lateral resolution obtainable with a specific tip. The sidewall angles of the tip will also determine its ability to probe high aspect ratio features.

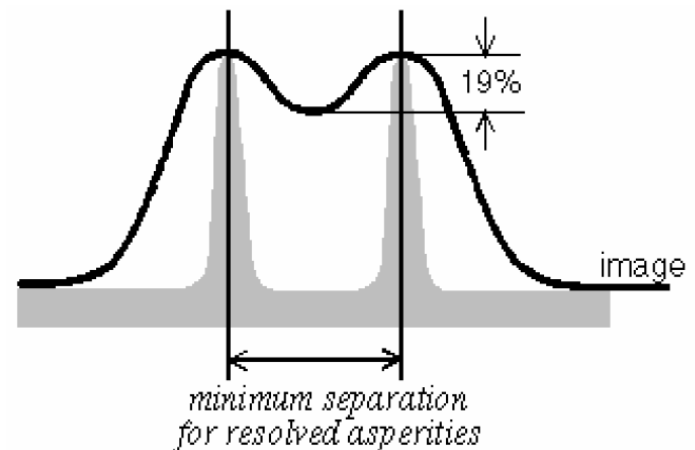
### *Pixelization*

## Vertical Resolution

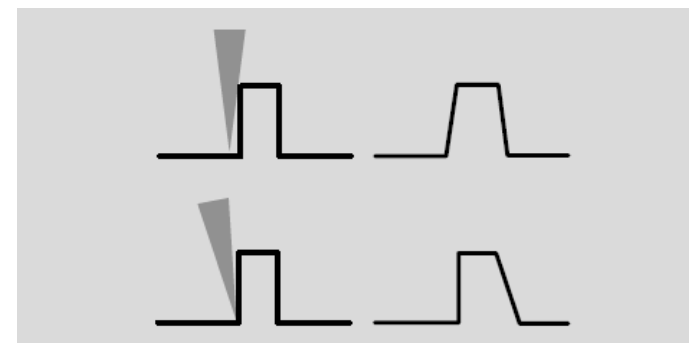
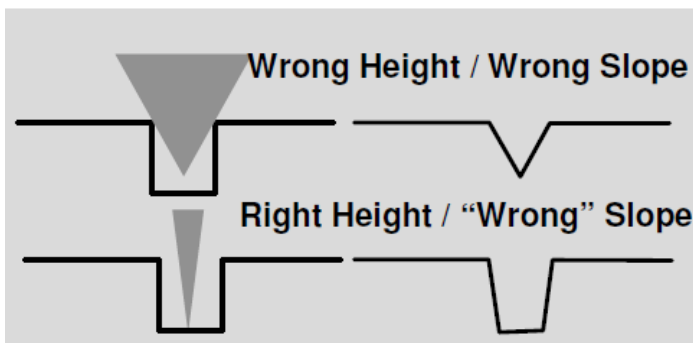
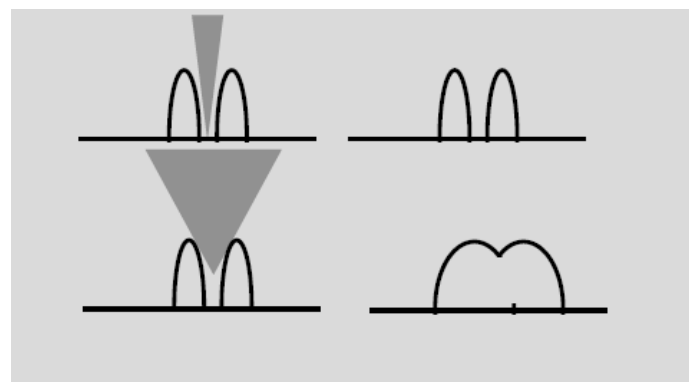
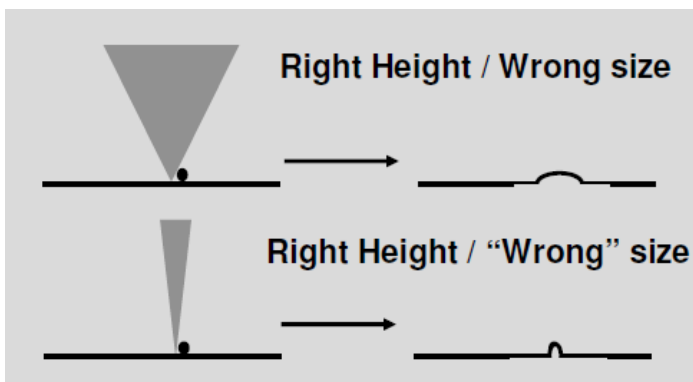
### *Scanner*

### *Z Limit*

### *Noise*



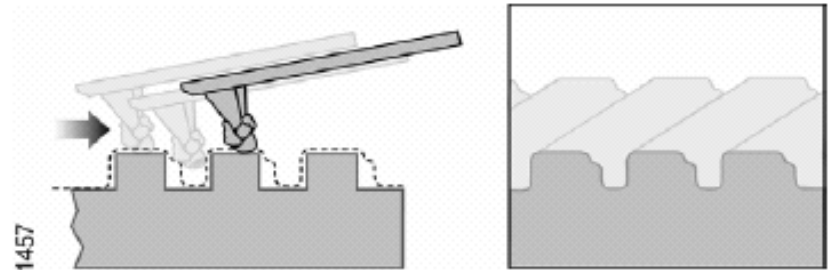
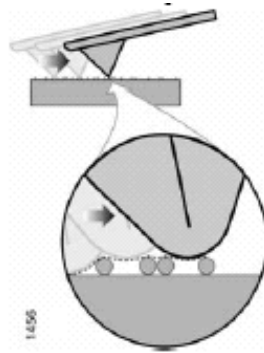
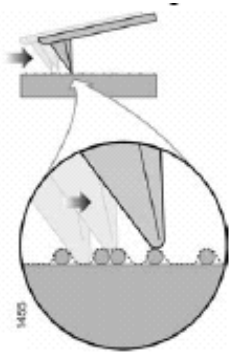
# Tip-Sample Convolution



# Tip Shape Issues



The smaller the radius of curvature, the smaller the feature that can be resolved. A sharper tip will be able to laterally resolve smaller features than a dull tip with a larger radius of curvature. The accumulation of debris on the end of the tip can also dull the tip and result in image distortion.

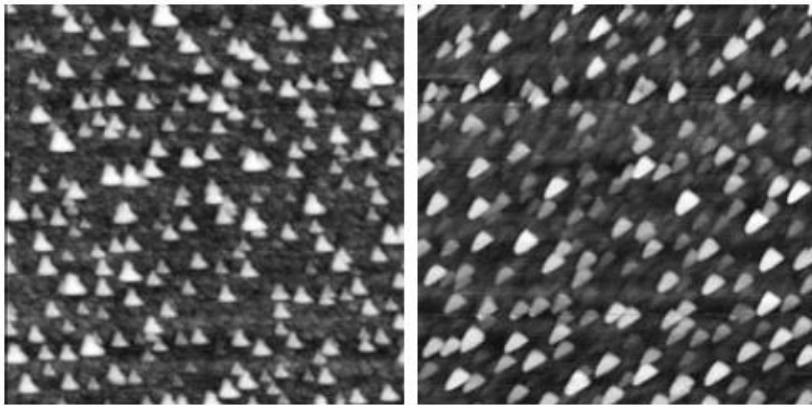


**Probe Limited Resolution**

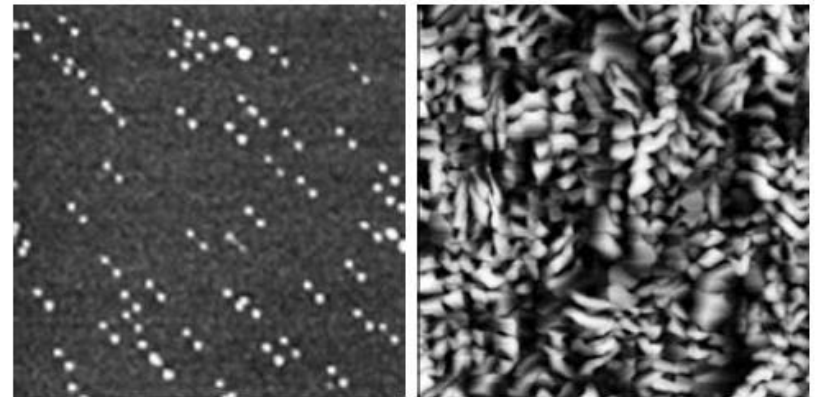
**Dirty Probe**

**Note:** A dull or dirty tip **may not affect** the measurement of the **vertical dimensions** of these samples.

# Typical Image Artifacts Caused by Tip



**Dull or dirty tip**

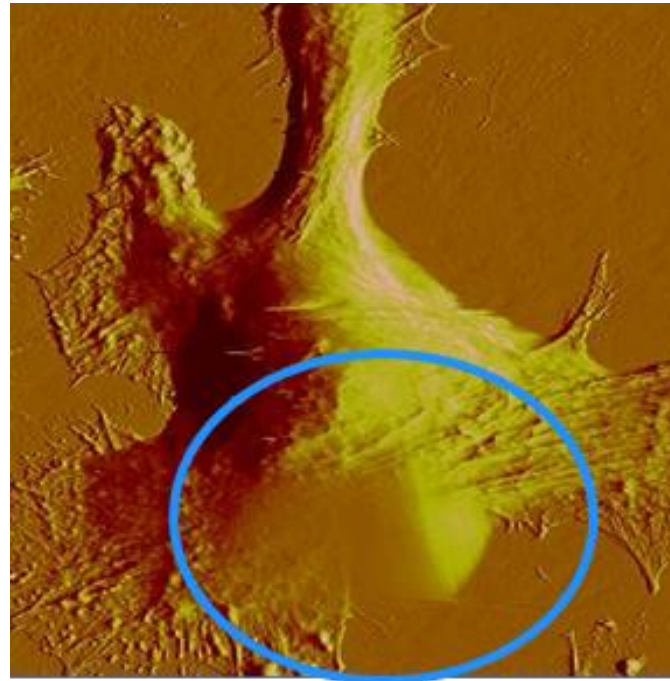


**Double or multiple tips**

# Tip Sidewall Image



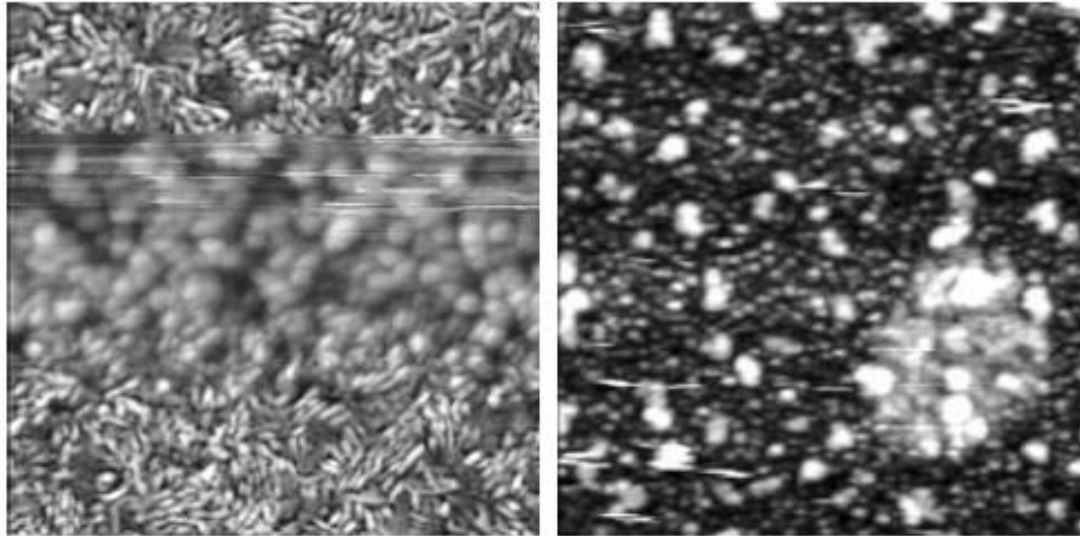
Another tip artifact occurs on very tall samples or samples where the slope of the features is greater than the slope of the tip. This causes the tip sidewall to interact with the sample instead of the tip apex. The typical appearance is that of an almost linear ramp-like artifact around the feature, as shown below:



# Tip/Sample Contamination



Check if there is any dust or debris on the sample top surface or backside. If yes, clean it as needed. If the sample is hydrophilic and exposed in ambient air for long time, if there is any soft or loose residue remain on the sample after sample preparation, which can easily contaminate the tip. If the sample is not in good condition, and hard to recover, get a fresh clean sample.

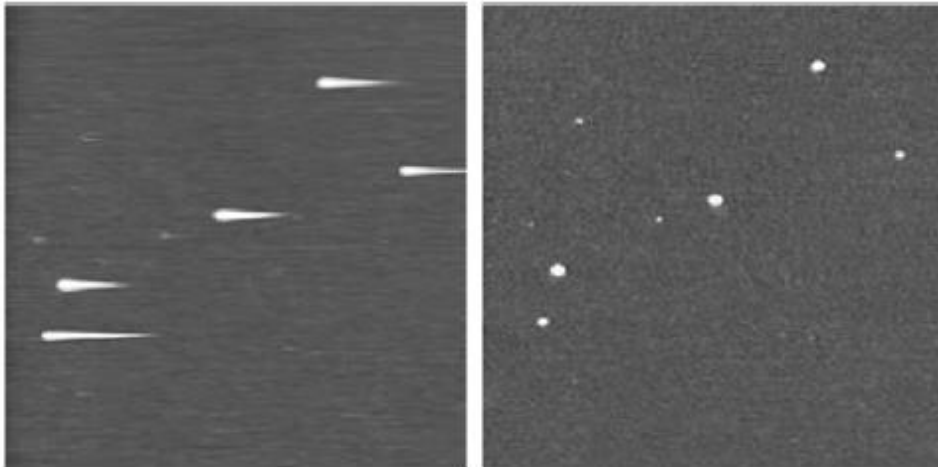


**Contamination from tip or sample surface**

# Tapping Mode Artifacts: Not Tracking

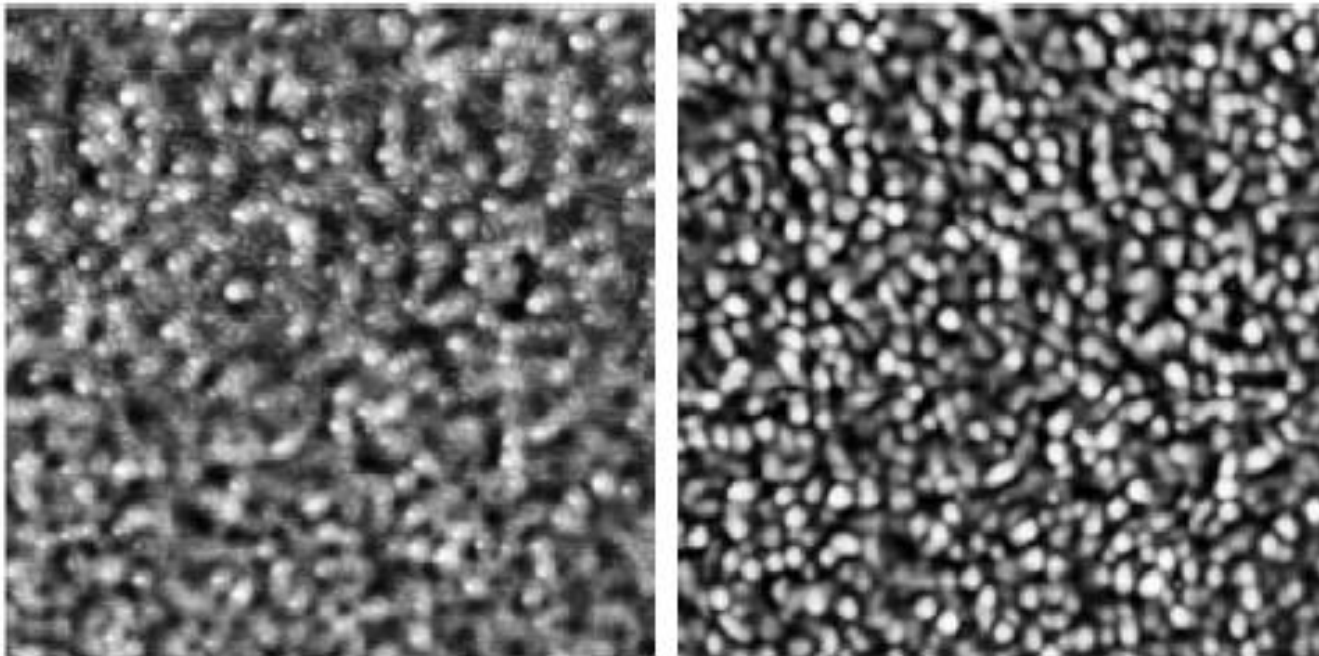


In tapping mode, if cannot track surface, **decrease the Amplitude setpoint, decrease the scan rate or increase the I gain and P gain.**



Insufficient tapping force  
An excessively fast scan rate  
Gain values set too low

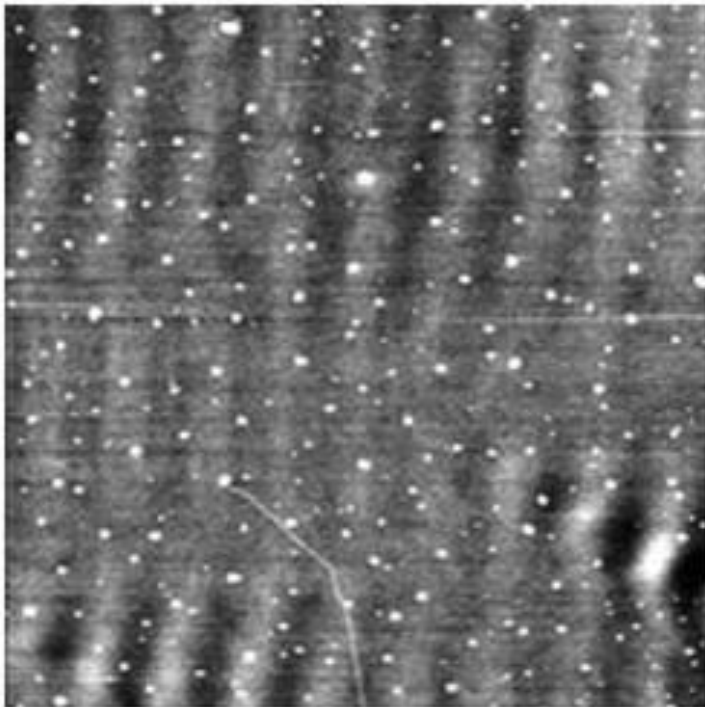
# Tapping Mode Artifacts: High Frequency Operation



In tapping mode, **decrease the Drive Frequency.**



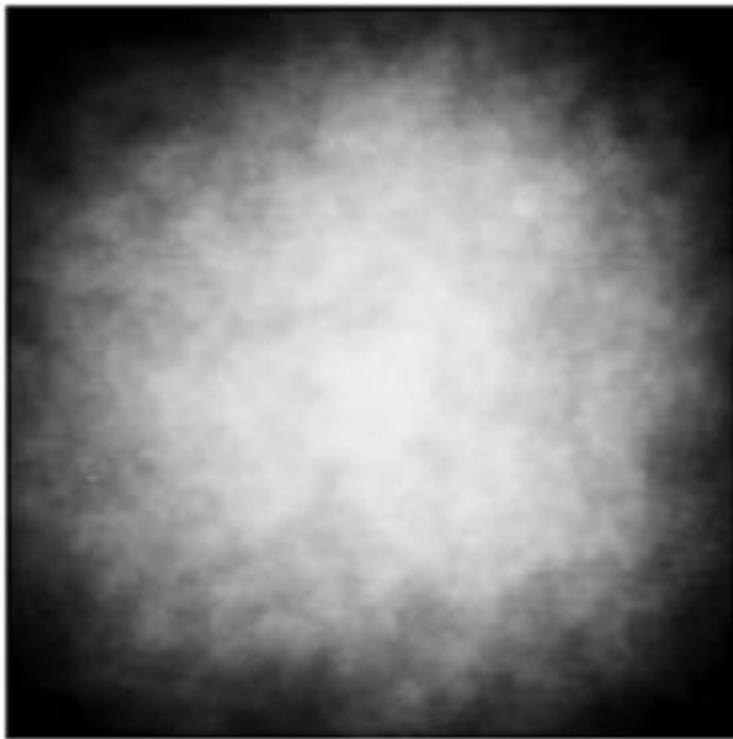
# Optical Interference



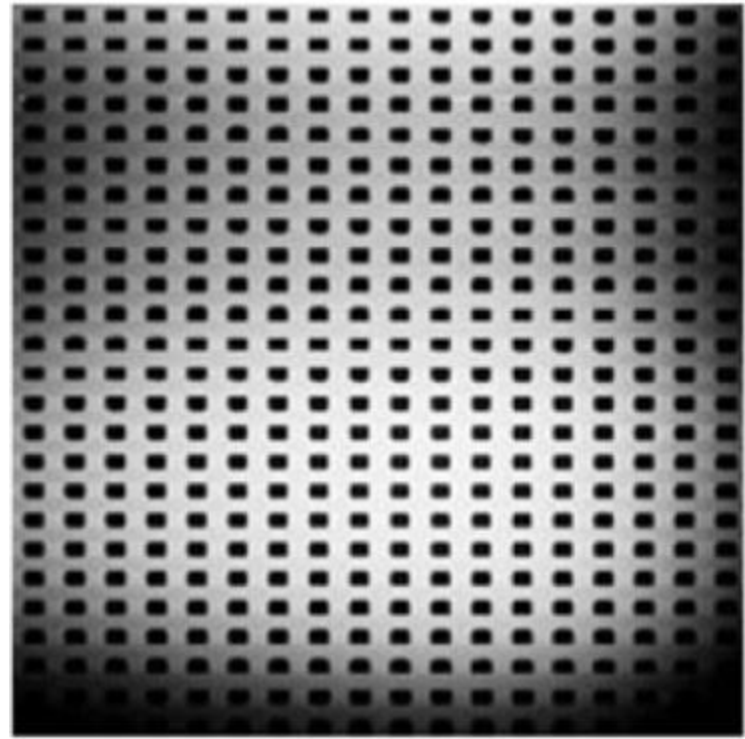
Interference between the incident and reflected light from the sample surface can produce a sinusoidal pattern on the image with a period typically ranging between  $1.5 - 2.5 \mu\text{m}$ .

It can usually be reduced or eliminated by adjusting the laser alignment so that more light reflects off the back of the cantilever and less light reflects off the sample surface, or by using a cantilever with a more reflective coating (MESP, TESPA).

# Bow



**Second order bow:  
the arch-shaped bow**



**Third order bow:  
the arch-shaped bow**

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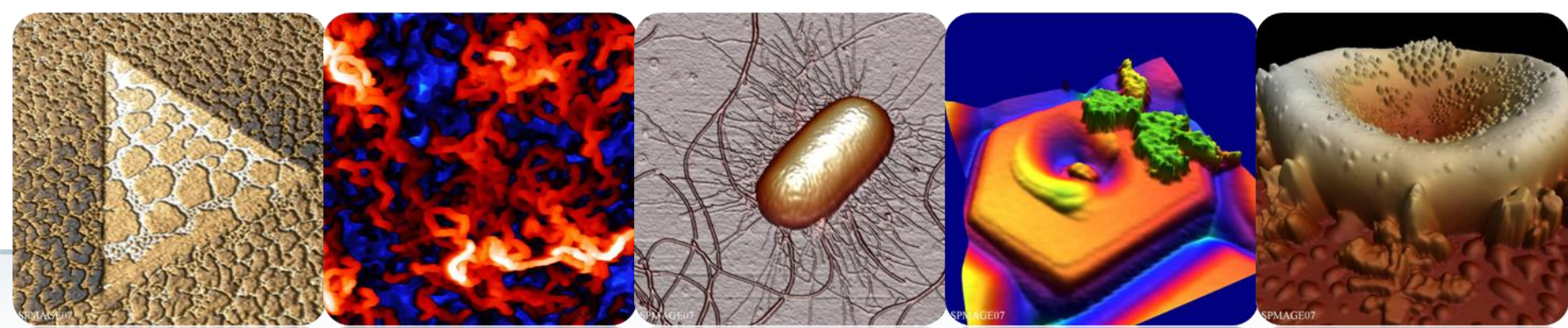
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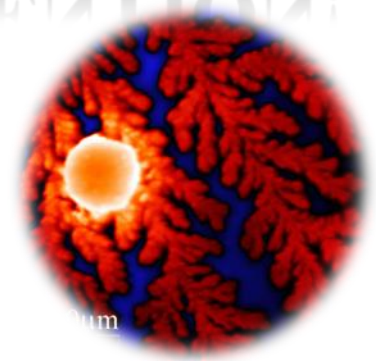
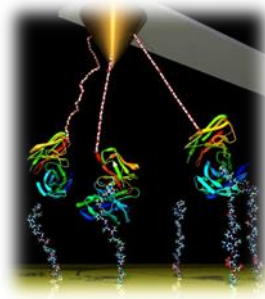
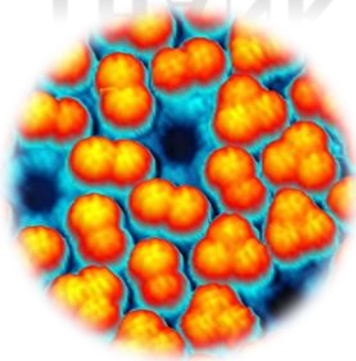
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