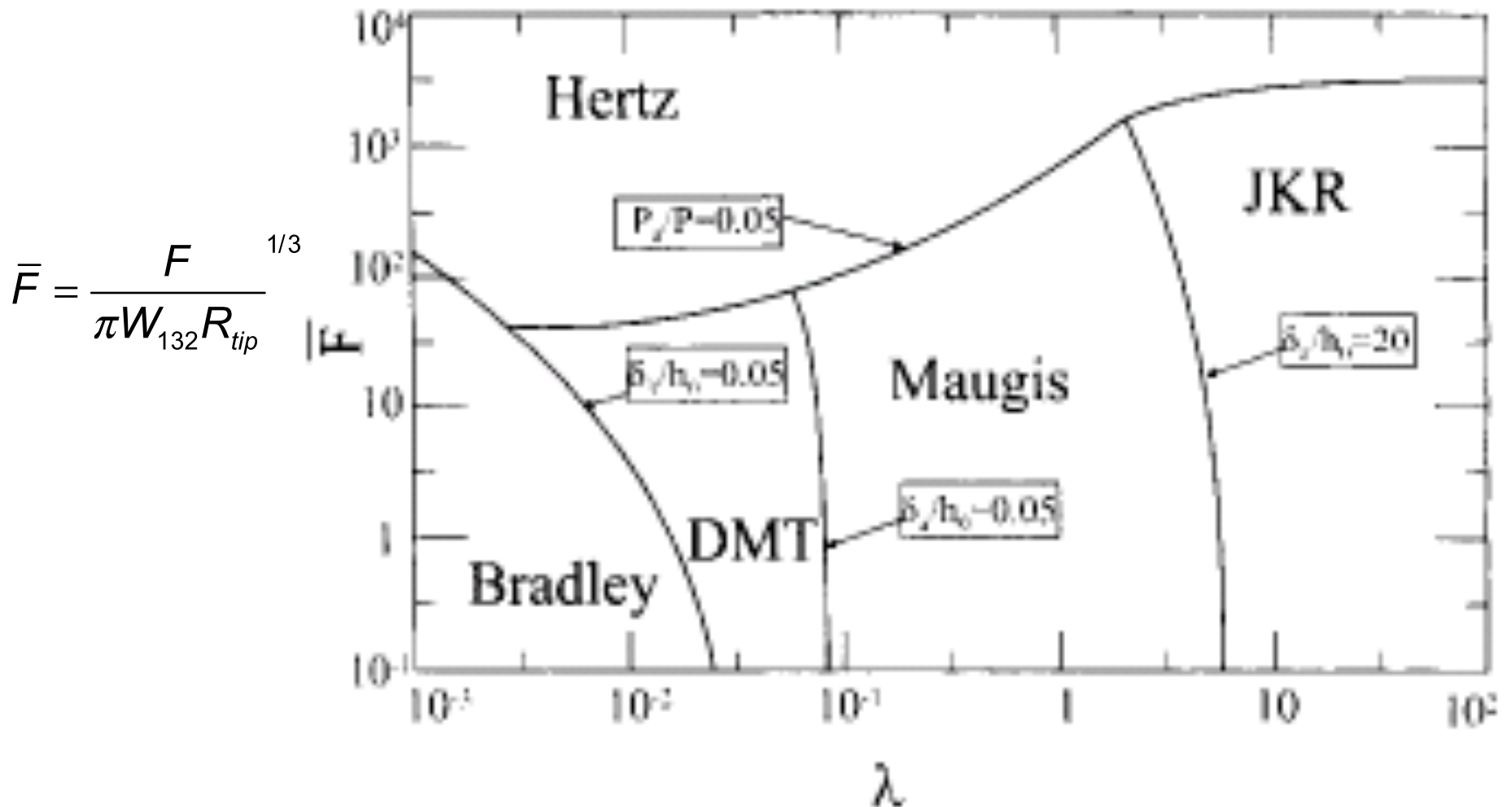


Lecture 9

Force distance curves I

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Validity of different models



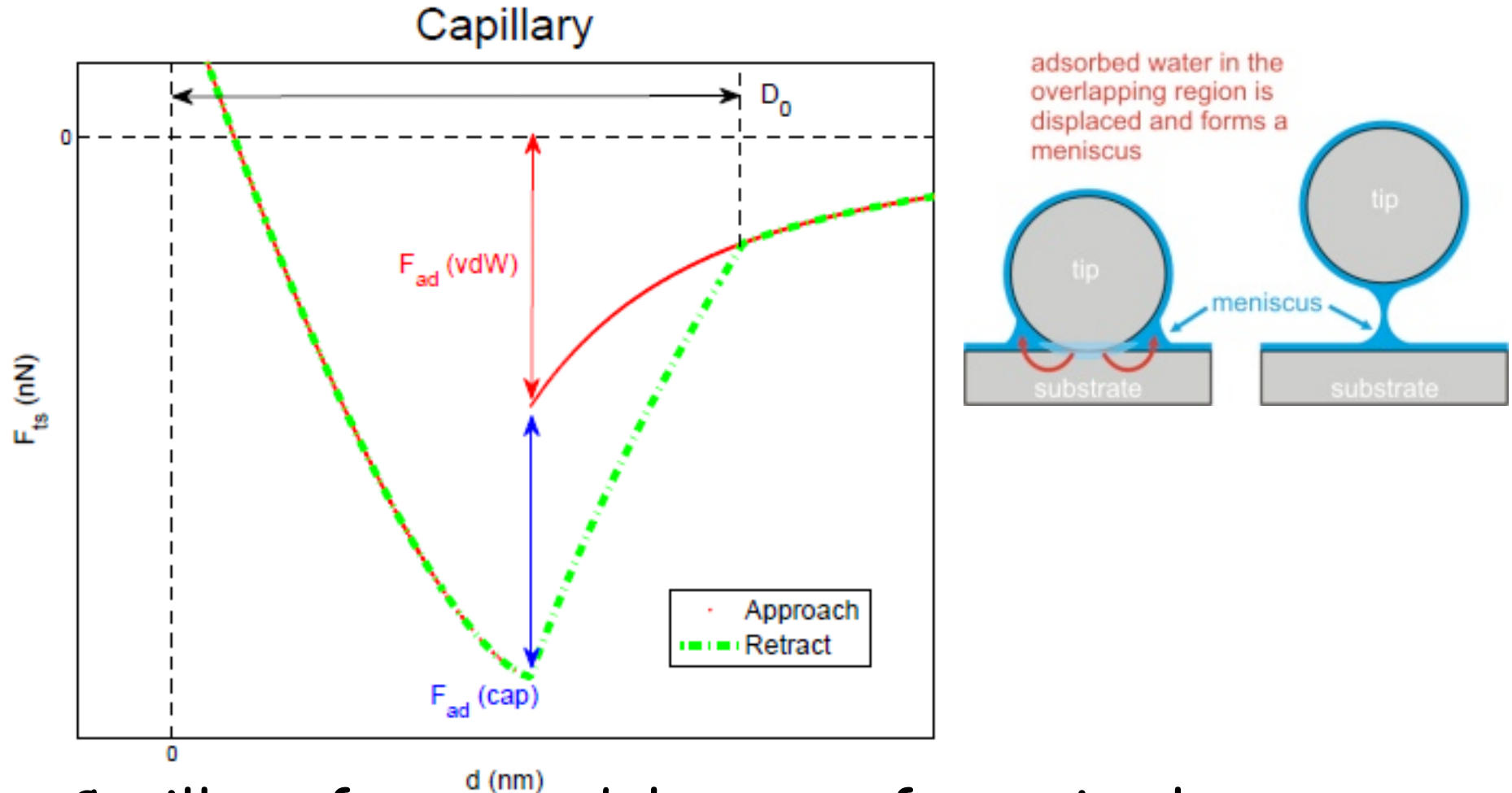
$$\bar{F} = \frac{F}{\pi W_{132} R_{tip}}^{1/3}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2.06}{z_0} \left(\frac{R_{tip} W_{132}}{\pi E_{tot}^2} \right)^{1/3} \quad \frac{1}{E_{tot}} = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{1-\nu_s^2}{E_s} + \frac{1-\nu_t^2}{E_t} \right) \quad z_0 = \text{equilibrium separation or typical atomic distance}$$

Comments on these theories

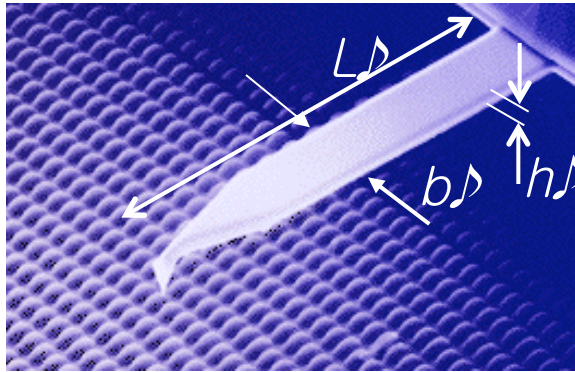
- JKR predicts infinite stress at edge of contact circle.
- In the limit of small adhesion JKR \rightarrow DMT
- Most equations of JKR and Hertz and DMT have been tested experimentally on molecularly smooth surfaces and found to apply extremely well
- Most practical limitation for AFM is that no tip is a perfect smooth sphere, small asperities make a big difference.
- Hertz, DMT describe conservative interaction forces, but in JKR, the interaction itself is non-conservative (why?) ...for a force to be considered conservative it has to be describable as a gradient of potential energy.

Effect of capillary condensation

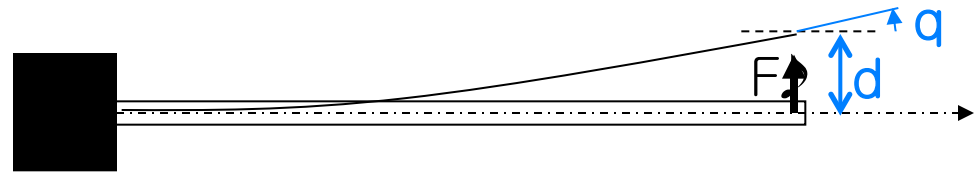


- Capillary force models range from simple to complex
- Strong dependence on humidity

The microcantilever – the force sensor



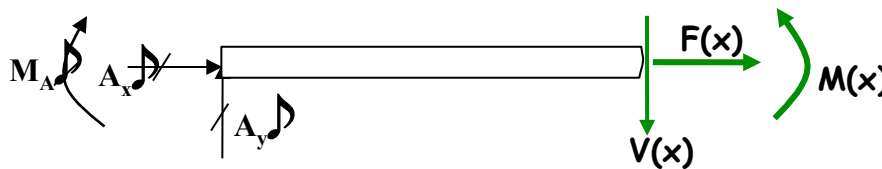
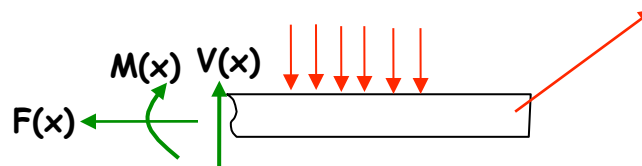
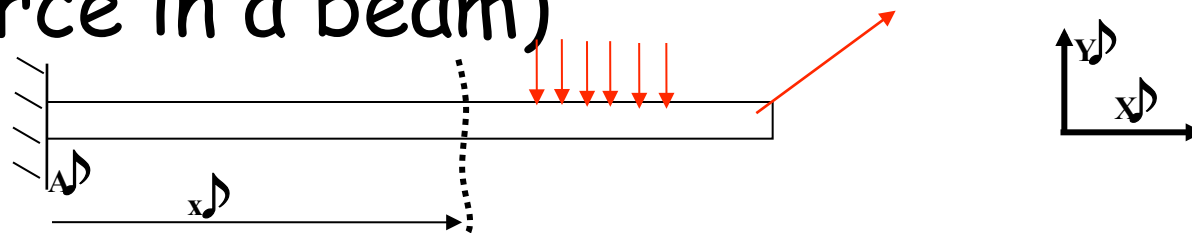
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- From elementary beam theory, if E =Young's modulus, $I = bh^3/12$ then
- $d = w(L) = FL^3/(3EI)$, and $q = dw(L)/dx = FL^2/(2EI)$
- Deflection and slope linearly proportional to force sense d at the tip
- $k = 3EI/L^3$ is called the bending stiffness of the cantilever

Classical beam theory

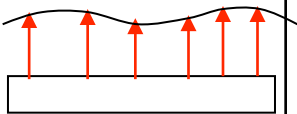
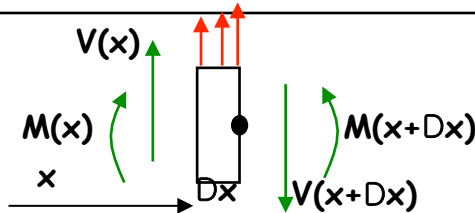
- Understanding internal resultants (shear force, bending moment and axial force in a beam)



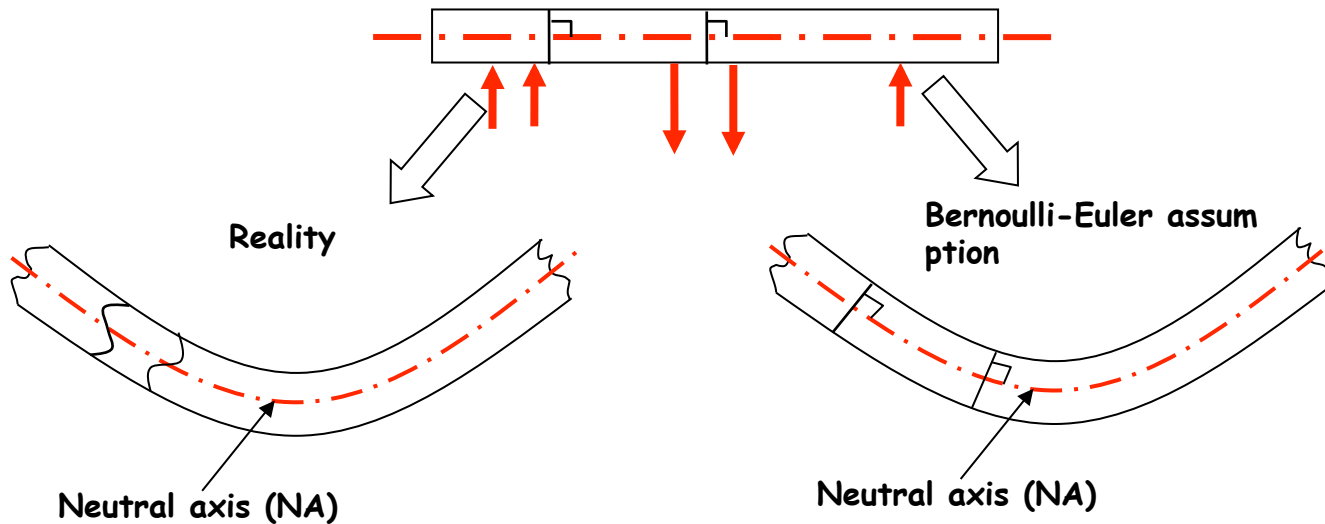
$V(x)$: Internal shear force (N)
 $F(x)$: Internal axial force (N)
 $M(x)$: Internal bending moment (N.m)

Classical beam theory

Relationship between $V(x)$ and $M(x)$

Key Equation	Applied Load	Derivation
$\frac{dV}{dx} = p(x)$	 <p>$p(x)$ N/m</p>	 <p> $V(x) + p(x)\Delta x - V(x + \Delta x) = 0,$ <i>as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ we get $\frac{dV}{dx} = p(x)$</i> </p>
$\frac{dM}{dx} = V(x)$		<p> $M(x + \Delta x) - M(x) - V(x)\Delta x - p(x)\Delta x \left(\frac{\Delta x}{2} \right) = 0,$ <i>as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ we get $\frac{dM}{dx} = V(x)$</i> </p>

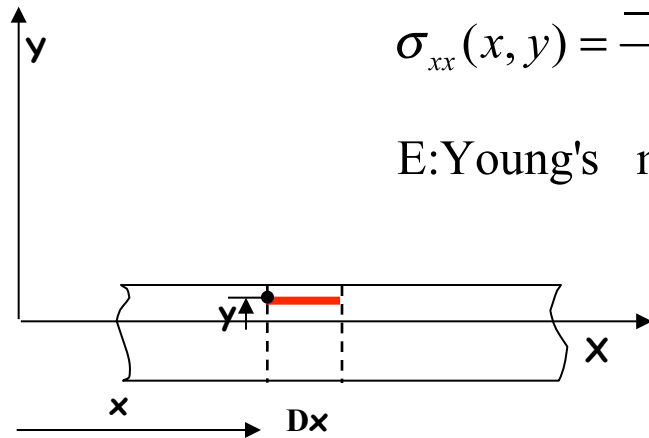
Classical beam theory- stress/strain



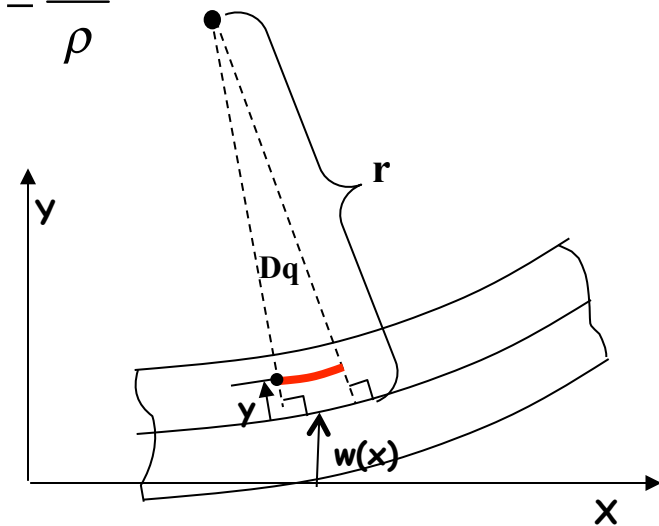
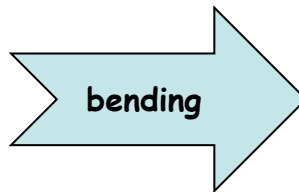
$$\epsilon_{xx}(x, y) = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\rho - y)\Delta\theta - \rho\Delta\theta}{\rho\Delta\theta} = \frac{-y}{\rho}$$

$$\sigma_{xx}(x, y) = \frac{-Ey}{\rho} \sim -Ey \frac{d^2 w}{dx^2}$$

E: Young's modulus (N/m² or Pa)

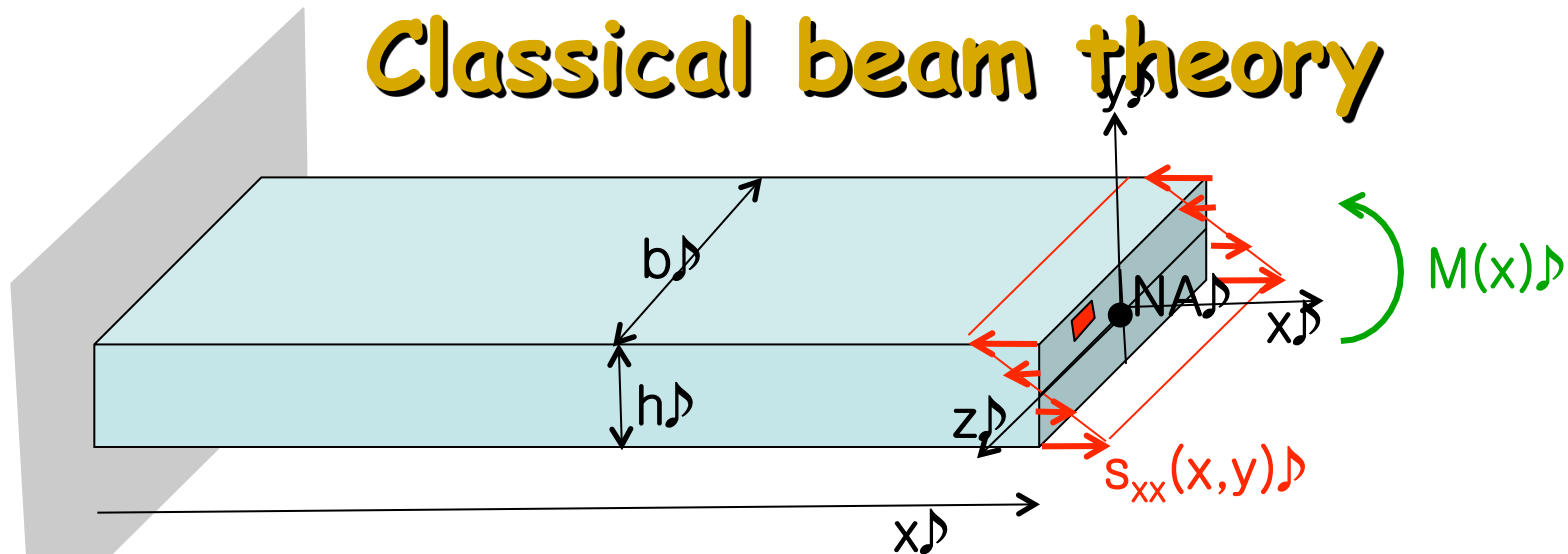


Undeformed beam segment



Deformed beam segment

Classical beam theory



$$M(x) = \int_{z=-b/2}^{+b/2} \int_{y=-h/2}^{h/2} (\sigma_{xx}(x) dy dz) y$$

$$\text{or } M(x) = \int_{z=-b/2}^{+b/2} \int_{y=-h/2}^{h/2} E y^2 \frac{d^2 w(x)}{dx^2} dy dz = E \frac{d^2 w(x)}{dx^2} \int_{z=-b/2}^{+b/2} \int_{y=-h/2}^{h/2} y^2 dy dz$$

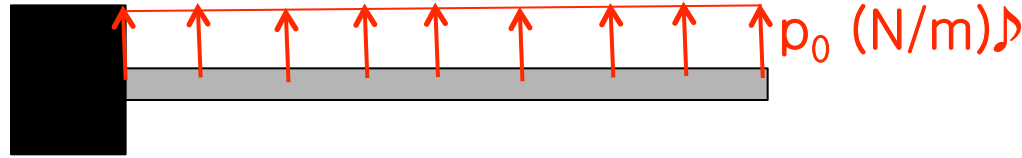
$$\text{or } M(x) = E I_{zz} \frac{d^2 w(x)}{dx^2} \quad \text{where } I_{zz} = \frac{b h^3}{12} \quad (\text{area moment } m^4)$$

$$\text{Likewise } V(x) = E I_{zz} \frac{d^3 w(x)}{dx^3}$$

$$\text{Finally } E I \frac{d^4 w(x)}{dx^4} = p(x) \text{ to be solved with boundary conditions at } x = 0, L$$

Classical beam theory

■ Example 1



$$EI \frac{d^4 w(x)}{dx^4} = p_0 \Rightarrow \frac{d^3 w(x)}{dx^3} = \frac{p_0}{EI} x + c_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 w(x)}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p_0}{EI} x^2 + c_1 x + c_2 \Rightarrow \frac{dw(x)}{dx} = \theta(x) = \frac{1}{6} \frac{p_0}{EI} x^3 + \frac{1}{2} c_1 x^2 + c_2 x + c_3$$

$$w(x) = \frac{1}{24} \frac{p_0}{EI} x^4 + \frac{1}{6} c_1 x^3 + \frac{1}{2} c_2 x^2 + c_3 x + c_4$$

Boundary conditions

$$w(0) = \theta(0) = 0 \quad EI \frac{d^2 w(L)}{dx^2} = EI \frac{d^3 w(L)}{dx^3} = 0$$

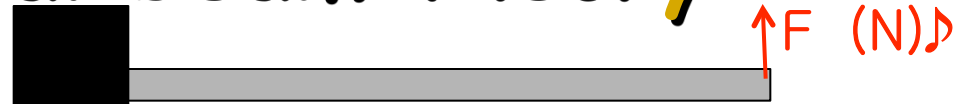
(no point moments or force applied at $x = L$)

$$\Rightarrow c_3 = c_4 = 0, c_1 = -\frac{p_0 L}{EI}, c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p_0 L^2}{EI}$$

$$w(L) = \delta = \frac{1}{8} \frac{p_0 L^4}{EI}, \quad \theta(L) = \theta = \frac{1}{6} \frac{p_0 L^3}{EI} \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{\delta} = \frac{4}{3} L$$

Classical beam theory

■ Example 2



$$EI \frac{d^4 w(x)}{dx^4} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d^3 w(x)}{dx^3} = c_1 \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 w(x)}{dx^2} = c_1 x + c_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dw(x)}{dx} = \theta(x) = \frac{1}{2} c_1 x^2 + c_2 x + c_3$$

$$w(x) = \frac{1}{6} c_1 x^3 + \frac{1}{2} c_2 x^2 + c_3 x + c_4$$

Boundary conditions

$$w(0) = \theta(0) = 0 \quad EI \frac{d^2 w(L)}{dx^2} = 0 \quad EI \frac{d^3 w(L)}{dx^3} = -F$$

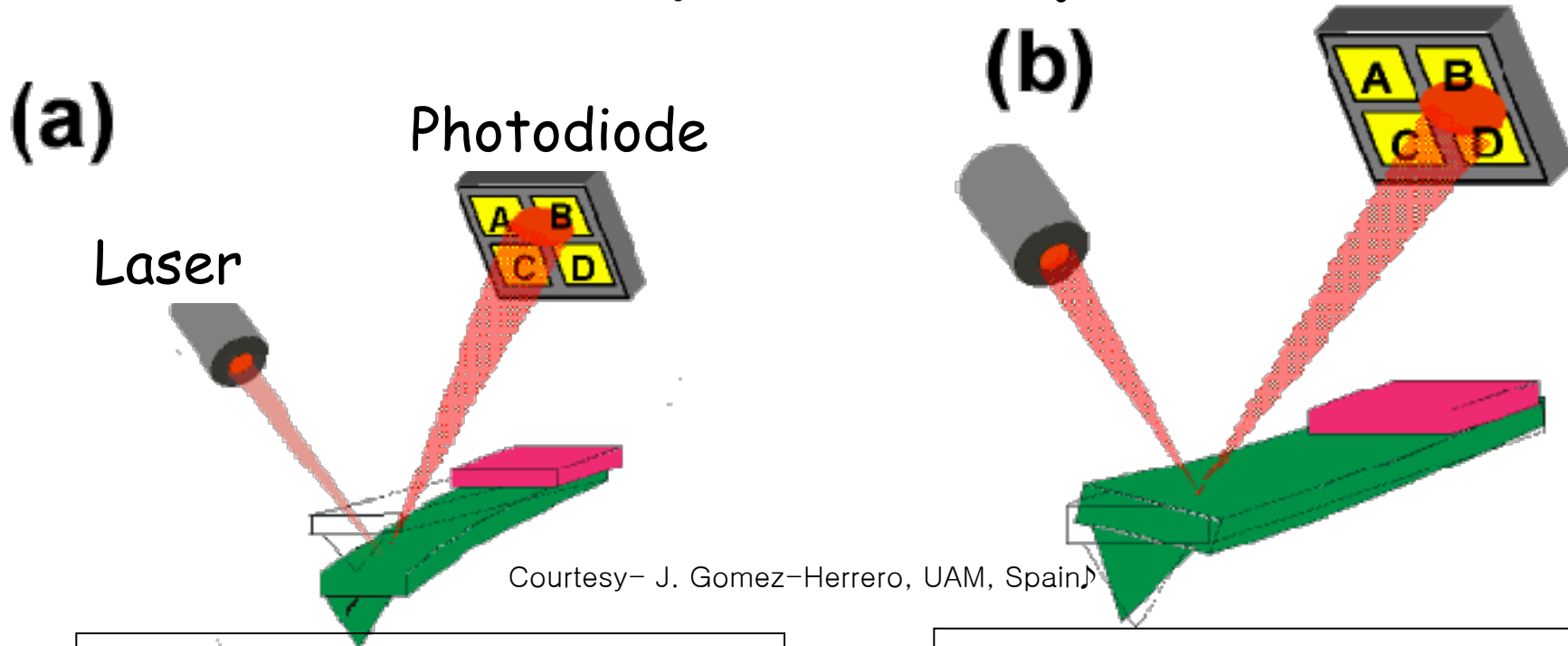
(no point moment applied at $x = L$)

$$\Rightarrow c_3 = c_4 = 0, \quad c_1 = -\frac{F}{EI}, \quad c_2 = \frac{FL}{EI}$$

$$w(L) = \delta = \frac{1}{3} \frac{FL^3}{EI}, \quad \theta(L) = \theta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{FL^2}{EI} \Rightarrow \frac{\theta}{\delta} = \frac{2}{3} L$$

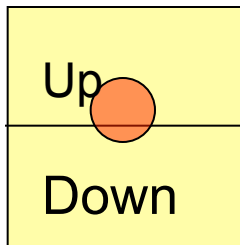
$F = k\delta$, where $k = \frac{3EI}{L^3}$ is the static bending stiffness of the cantilever

The four-quadrant photodiode



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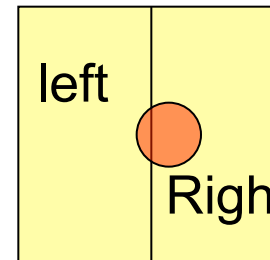
a) Vertical bending



$$A+B=UP$$

$$C+D=DOWN$$

b) Lateral/torsion motion

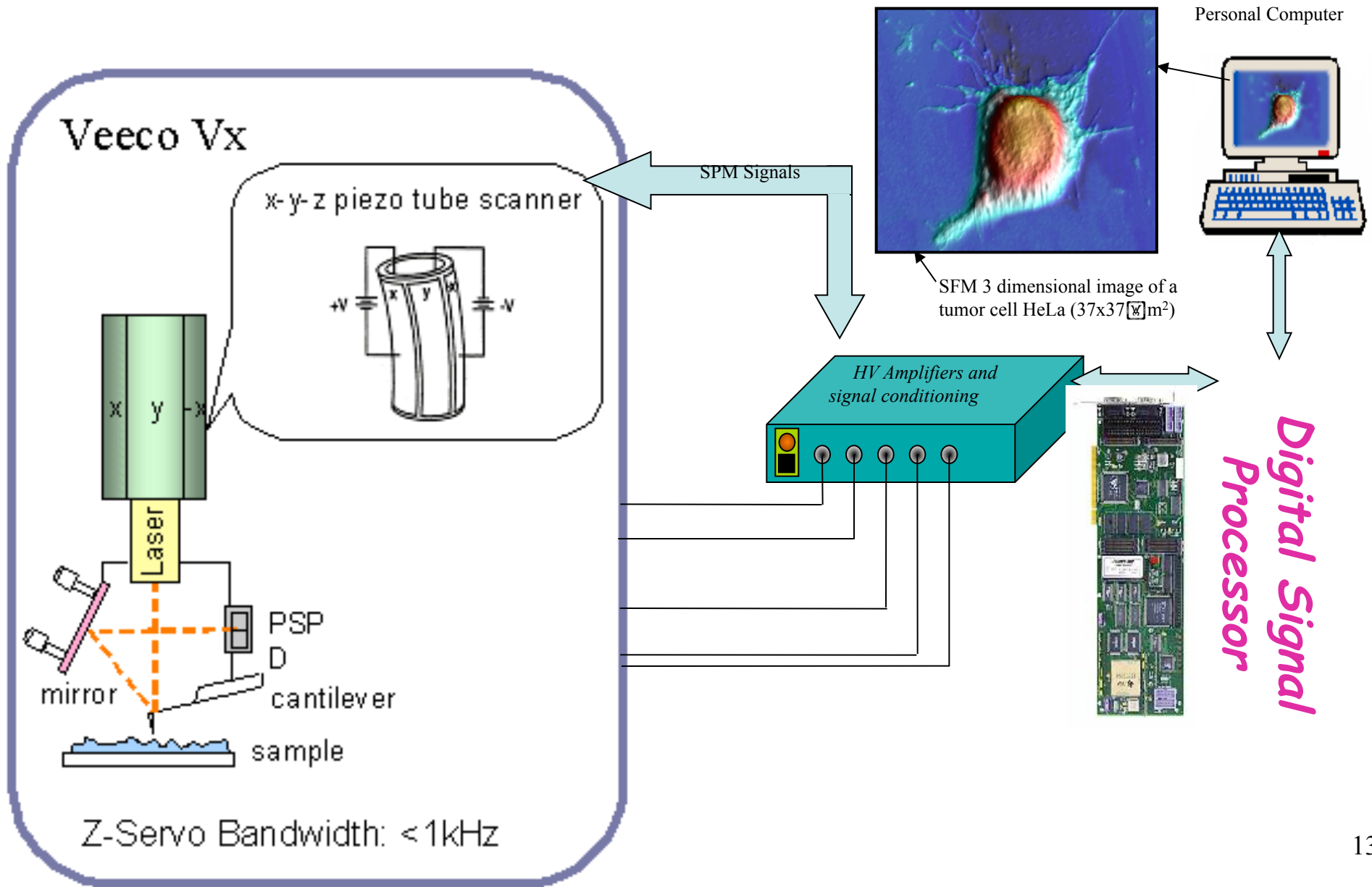


$$A+C=LEFT$$

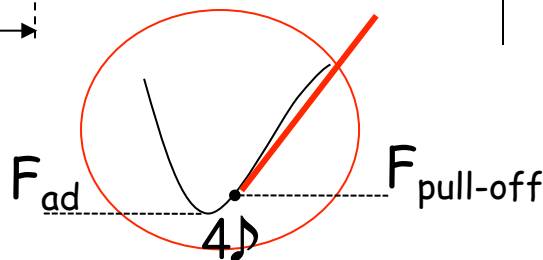
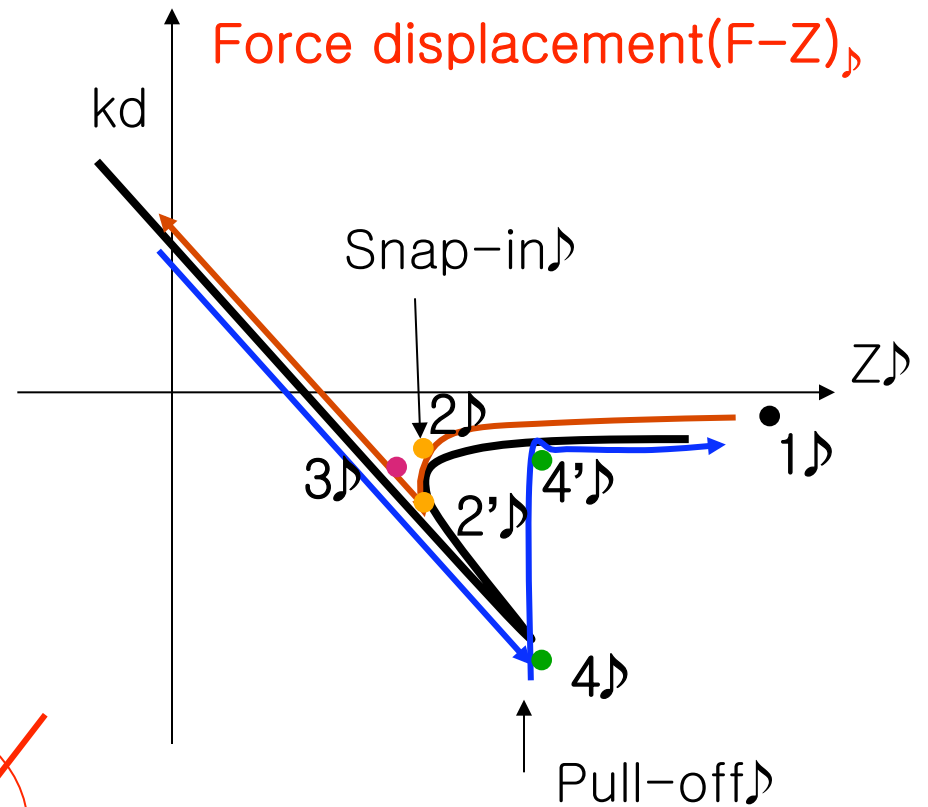
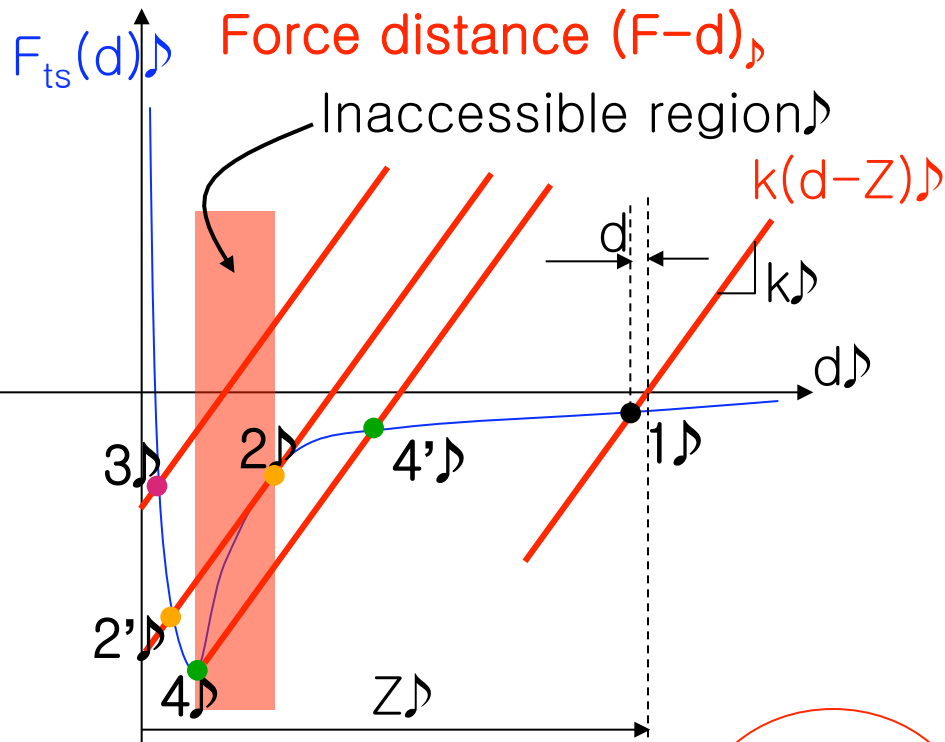
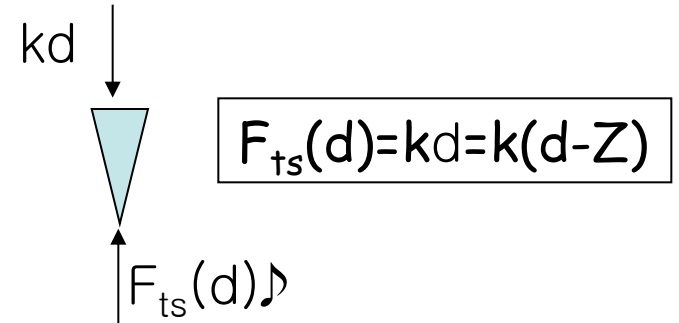
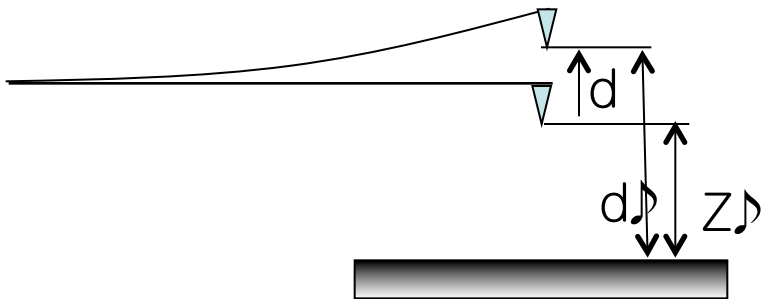
$$B+D=Right$$

Commercial AFMs measure the rotation angle!!! (bending or torsion)♪

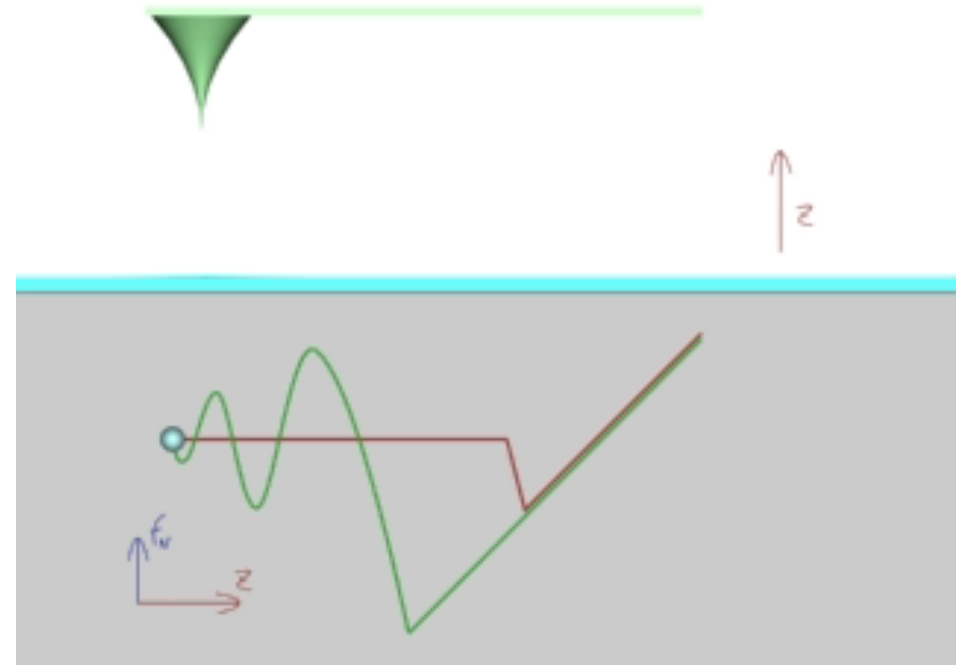
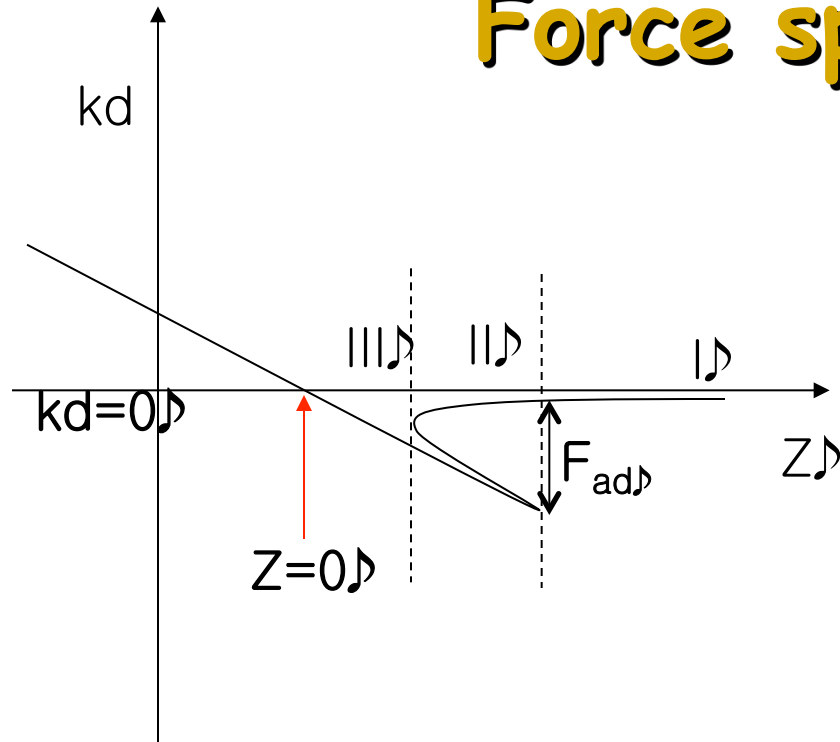
AFM Block Diagram



Force-displacement curves



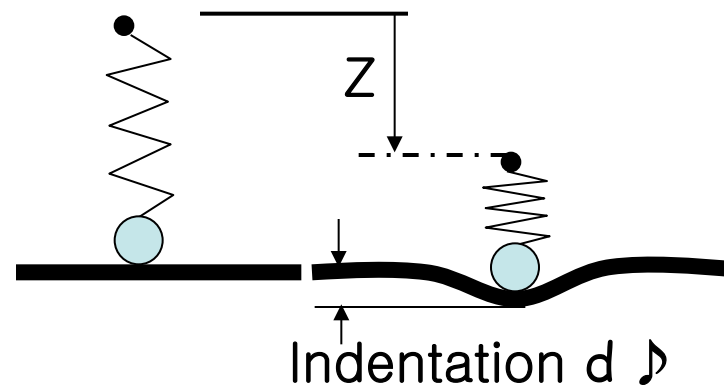
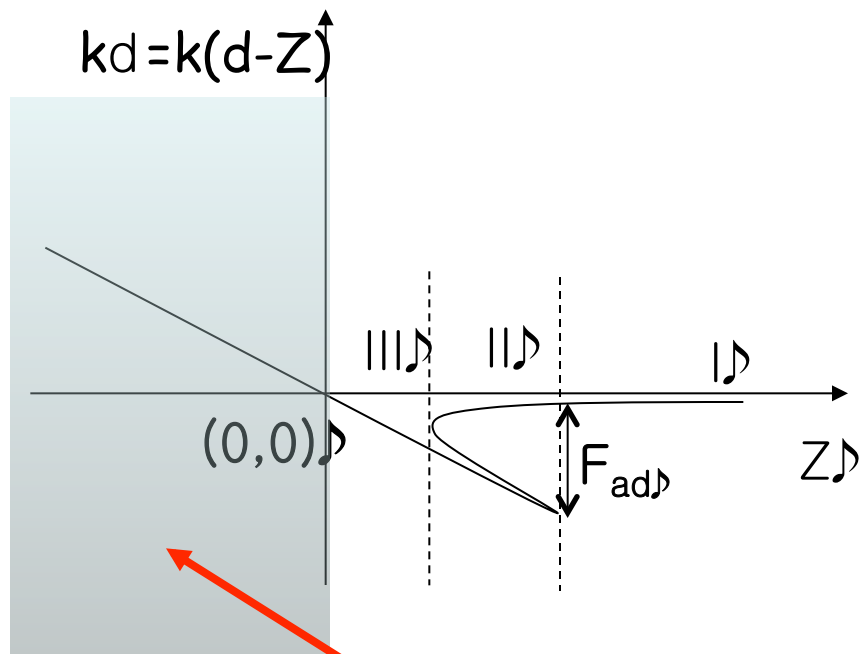
Force spectroscopy



- Three distinct regions
- If k is known then from the static-force distance curve, $F(d)$ can be calculated for all d except for inaccessible range near snap-in
- Pull-off force $\sim F_{Ad}$ which can be converted to W_{132} (work of adhesion between two infinitely wide planes)
- Slope in III is good measure of repulsive forces (local elasticity)

How to extract force-indentation curves from force-distance curves

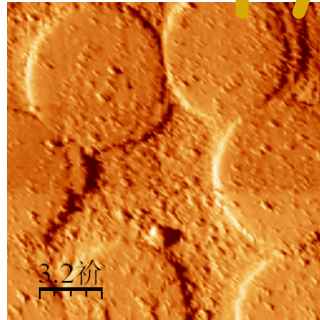
- Often AFM is used to measure the nanoscale mechanical properties of soft materials such as polymer films, biological tissue etc
- For such materials we would like to know the so called force-indentation curves
- With the calibrated force-distance curve, first recenter the $Z=0$ when cantilever deflection is zero (not necessary, but often done)



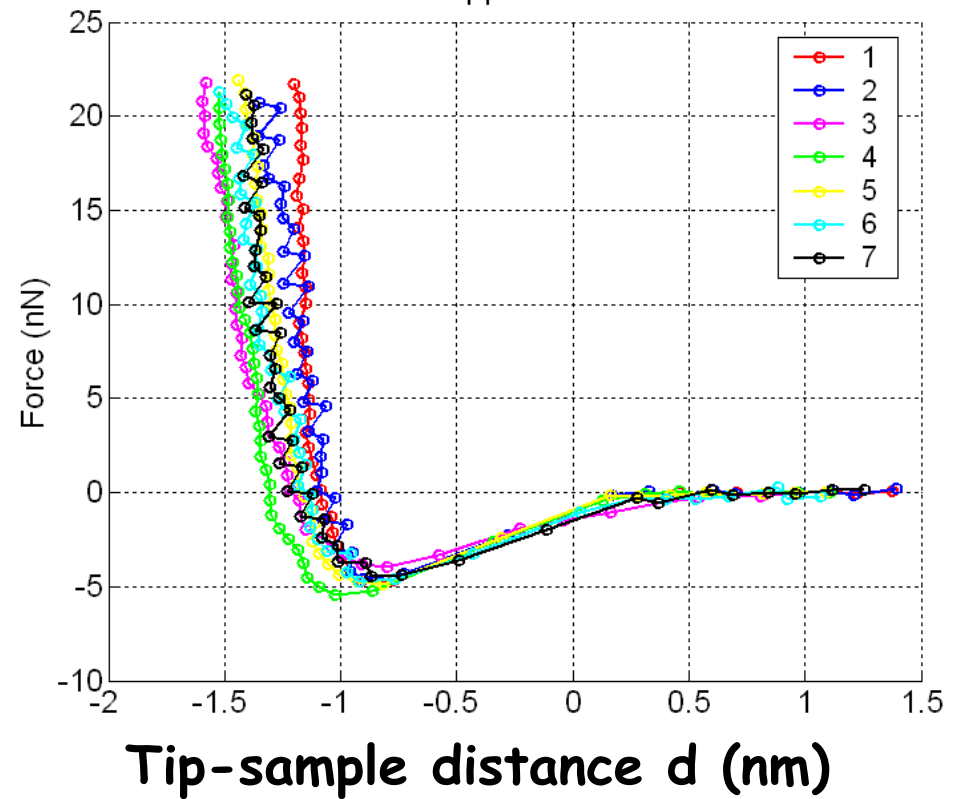
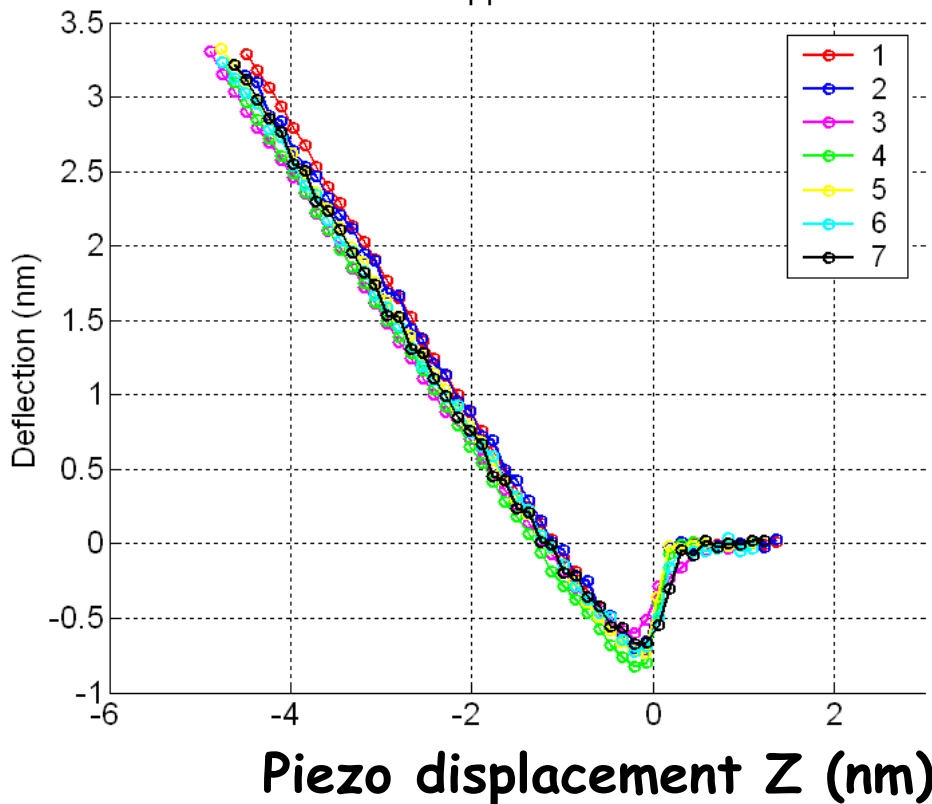
Measured data: $k(d-Z)$ vs. Z
 Convert to: $k(d-Z)$ vs. d

Data regime where local elasticity is calculated

Force spectroscopy - an example



Convert deflection vs. displacement curves to force vs. distance (gap) curves



Next class

- Practical aspects of force distance curves