

Comparison and Verification Function between the Experimental Image and Analyzer the Simulated Image

It handles the SPM experimental data and the simulated image data uniformly.



# Example of the Comparison Between an AFM Experiment and a Simulation Analyzer of Si(111)-(7x7) DAS



The comparison gives us a plan to simulate better.

# The Blind Tip Reconstruction Method & Removing the Artifacts from Experimental Images (1)



# The Blind Tip Reconstruction Method & Removing the Artifacts from Experimental Images (2)

### Analyzer



Z[Ang] 398.4 Y[Ang] 0.0 X[Ang] 398.4 50.0 The blind tip reconstruction and removal of the artifacts, for an original SPM image by an unknown tip.

Estimation with the blind tip reconstruction method using the parameter you set (0.0~1.0) 0.0 : the maximum blind tip 1.0 : the minimum blind tip





Removing the artifacts from experimental images



Removing the artifacts with the specified tip data



(The original image is provided by Professor Katsuyuki Fukutani, Vacuum and Surface Physics, Institute of Industrial Science, The University of Tokyo.)

### Fourier Analysis of the Image

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## Emphasize high frequencies



## Emphasize low frequencies









### Improvement of the Subjective Quality of the Image

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### **Digital Image Processings Function (1)**

### Analyzer

### Thresholding for creating binary images Changing the Threshold value = 0.4 Threshold value = 0.6 original image ZCRig] into a black-andwhite image using the threshold value you set (from 0.0 and 1.0) VEAne 1410.6 1419.6 KCRing) Renear ationed (The original image is provided by Professor Hiroyuki Hirayama, Nano-Quantum Physics at Surfaces and Interfaces, Department of Materials and Engineering, Tokyo Institute of

Contrast adjustment (Gamma correction)







(The original image is provided by Professor Ken-ichi Fukui, Surface/Interface Chemistry Group, Department of Materials Engineering Science, Osaka University.)

Technology.)

### **Digital Image Processings Function (2)**

### Analyzer

### Edge detection with the Sobel filter



### Noise reduction with the median filter

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(The image is provided by Professor Katsushi Hashimoto, Solid-State Quantum Transport Group, Department of Physics, Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University.)

### **Digital Image Processings Function (3)**

### Analyzer

### Correcting a tilt





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### **Digital Image Processings Function (4)**

### Correcting a tilt











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### Analyzer

### **Digital Image Processings Function (5)**

### Analyzer

### Correcting a tilt



### Display the cross section

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### **Neural Network Simulator**



We can obtain the image from which the artifacts are removed.

### **Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator**

Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator (GeoAFM) provides users with a kind of a three-way data processor, so that it reconstructs the one out of the other two among three geometrical elements, a tip, a sample material and its AFM image. The GeoAFM produces a result from only the information of the geometry of the tip, the sample material and the AFM image.

GeoAFM



### GeoAFM

### Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator

Estimation of AFM Image from tip model and sample model.

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•Simulation of the AFM image of a Glycoprotein (1clg) on HOPG (Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite) by the use of a quadrilateral pyramid probe tip.

•Simulation of the AFM image of a Glycoprotein (1clg) on HOPG (Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite) by the use of a broken double tip.

 Simulation of the AFM image of a GroEL (chaperonin) by the use of a cone probe tip. The chaperonin is a basket-shaped polymer of 140 Å width, 140 Å depth and 200 Å height. The simulated AFM image reproduces a hole on the top of the basket shape.

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•Simulation of the AFM image of a Si(111)-(7x7)DAS surface by the use of a guadrilateral pyramid probe tip.

### GeoAFM

### **Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator**

Estimation of Sample's shape from tip model and image observed.



•Simulation of the sample surface by removing the artifacts from an AFM image of a Glycoprotein (1clg) on HOPG (Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite) by the use of a broken double tip.

### Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator

Estimation of Tip's shape from sample's structure and its image.

The sample







•Simulation of the tip shape from an AFM image of a Glycoprotein (1clg) on HOPG (Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite) by the use of a broken double tip, and from a sample surface data constructed by a molecule structure.

GeoAFM







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•Simulation of the tip shape from an AFM image of a Si(111)-(7x7) DAS surface, and from a sample surface data constructed by the atomic structure of a crystal surface.

### The Comparison between Normal method and GeoAFM

Collagen image

By 2 x 10<sup>-8</sup> shorter !!

The tip recognize the

the Pro and the Gly.

difference in height of



Divide tip/sample into meshes assign the height of each mesh by the top atom, and measure the difference in height. It is a geometrical method, so the computational complexity is little.

### FM-AFM observation and AFM simulation of tubulin in liquid



### Direct observation and Simulation of the DNA in aqueous solution



Decision of the (110) face of tetragonal lysozyme single crystal in liquid The (110) face of tetragonal lysozyme single crystal has two possibilities that the surface structure is a (110) a face or a (110) b face.



Institute of Low Temperature Science, Hokkaido University)

solution (actual survey)

### AFM observation and simulation of rotating molecular motor $F_1$ -ATPase



### F<sub>1</sub>-ATPase:

The rotary moleculer motor which turns a subunit using hydrolysis energy of the ATP in one direction.

The Comparison between the observed and the simulated images corroborated the reliability of the experiment.

(The original images are provided by Associate Professor takayuki Uchibashi, Kanazawa Biophysics Lab, Department of Physics, Bio-AFM Frontier Research Center, Kanazawa University)

## Estimation of the measured image which was deformed by the interaction from the sample model.





Convert shape of the tips and the samples into continuum of the finite element which have the modulus of elasticity and the van der Waals force. Calculate the interaction and the elastic deformation. Imaging the attraction distribution suffered by the tip.

Finite element method AFM simulator (FemAFM) simulates the AFM image using the finite element method. It is different from Geometrical Mutual AFM Simulator (GeoAFM), it treats a deformation of the shape of the sample and the tip.

## An AFM simulation of a single molecule of Glycoprotein (1clg)

### FemAFM



HOPG: Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite 1CLG:Glycoprotein(CLG:  $\varepsilon$  -caprolacton · (L)lactide · glycolide copolymer)

### Non-contact mode



The van der Waals force becomes extremely strong in the area where the tip is quite close to the sample surface, due to the law of inverse power of six.

Femafm\_frequency\_ shift mode



The cantilever oscillates at 500[MHz]. The maximum value of the frequency shift is about 5.96[MHz].

### Non-contact mode

A probe tip attached to the front edge of the cantilever scans the surface of the sample material, keeping the distance around a few angstroms.



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 Simulation of the AFM image of a DNA (Self-assembled) Three-Dimensional DNA).

•Simulation of the AFM image of a collagen (collagen alpha-1(III) chain).

•Simulation of the AFM image of a collagen (COLLAGEN ALPHA 1).

### Frequency shift image mode

A cantilever, which is oscillated by an external force with a constant frequency, approaches a sample surface but does not contact with it. A frequency shift caused by an interaction between a tip and a sample is calculated.





•Simulation of the frequency shift AFM image of a Si(111)-(7x7) DAS surface.

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### Principle of a Method for Investigating Viscoelastic Contact Analysis





## A Method for Investigating Viscoelastic Contact Analysis

### **FemAFM** A Method for Investigating Viscoelastic Contact Analysis Mode

We let a cantilever vibrate at constant frequency by external force. We can simulate successive processes such as making the tip become in contact with the sample surface, making the tip be stuck with the sample by the adhesive force, letting the tip be pushed back upwards outside the sample, and letting the tip leave the sample surface.



### FemAFM

### Viscoelastic dynamics mode

A cantilever is oscillated by an external force with a constant frequency at a single point on the sample surface. A sequential motion of the tip is calculated; the tip contacts to a sample, pushes a sample, and detaches from a sample.



Simulation of the time evolution of the displacement of the tip and the interaction force between the tip and the sample, when the tip contacts to a sample, pushes a sample, and detaches from a sample; in case of a small spring constant.





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## A Method for Investigating Viscoelastic Contact Analysis

### LigAFM A Method for Investigating Viscoelastic Contact

We can simulate a contact between a viscoelastic sample and a tip, and can compute a force curve.

In the case of a cantilever of a small spring constant in vacuum

0

-20

-40

-60

-80

-100

F [nN]

Force

In the case of a cantilever of a large spring constant in vacuum

In the case of a cantilever of a large spring constant in liquid



The spring constant is too small that the tip can not overcome adhesion and can not leave the sample.

1. The tip moves downwards.

2. The tip becomes in contact with the sample above the surface, and it sinks into the sample.

3. The tip sinks into the sample deepest and the adhesion force become equal to zero.

- 4. The tip moves upwards.
- 5. The tip leaves the sample surface.

It is observed that motion of the tip is influenced by fluid in the process of contact between the tip and the sample.

### Theory and simulation of dynamic AFM in liquid



### A characteristic oscillation analysis of a cantilever in liquid

### LiqAFM

### Oscillation of a tabular cantilever in liquid



The cantilever is vibrated in liquid. The convergence value of cantilever's amplitude with respect to frequency of forced vibration of the cantilever is calculated.



GUI on which the vibration of a cantilever is simulated.





It is understood that the coefficient of viscous resistance force decreases as holes increase.

### The prospect to soft material based materials

- In the field of nanobio connection, experiment analysis by the AFM is a tendency to increase.
- The AFM experiments image of biological material such as DNA is measured chronologically.
- The viscoelastic of polymer is measured by AFM measurement.



• Etc.

The polymer thin film is observed by AFM, And its viscoelastic is visualized. D. Wang et al., Macromolecules 44, 8693–8697 (2011).

The development of our simulator which has a function of the viscoelastic contact analysis become able to simulate such examples.

### Parameter scan mode

### LiqAFM

We examine the resonance frequency of the cantilever. At first, we calculate the time evolution of the cantilever motion for a sequence of frequencies, and obtain saturated amplitudes for their frequencies. We then estimate a resonance frequency from a frequency spectrum which is the amplitude of the cantilever vs. the frequency.



We obtain a resonance frequency by simulating a frequency spectrum of a cantilever. In case of a rectangular cantilver with a single hole in vacuum.



We obtain a resonance frequency by simulating a frequency spectrum of a cantilever. In case of a rectangular cantilver with two holes in liquid.



We obtain a resonance frequency by simulating a frequency spectrum of a cantilever. In case of a triangle cantilver with no hole in liquid.

### Non-viscoelastic dynamics mode

### LiqAFM

A cantilever is oscillated by an external force with a constant frequency at a single point on the sample surface. A sequential motion of the tip is calculated provided that there is no viscoelasticity of the sample.



•While the external force oscillates the cantilever's tail in liquid, we examine the time evolution of the amplitude of the cantilever's head. The tip is quite far from the sample surface so that the tip does not contact to the sample. In case of a rectangular cantilver with a single hole. •While the external force oscillates the cantilever's tail in liquid, we examine the time evolution of the amplitude of the cantilever's head. The tip is quite far from the sample surface so that the tip does not contact to the sample. In case of a rectangular cantilver with two holes. •While the external force oscillates the cantilever's tail in liquid, we examine the time evolution of the amplitude of the cantilever's head. The tip is quite far from the sample surface so that the tip does not contact to the sample. In case of a rectangular cantilver with a lot of holes.
# The energy curve and the force curve of the system in vacuum / liquid



### Energy of a system

The distance d between the tip and the sample is varied, and the energy of a system is calculated.

Vibration behavior by the hydration structure



Offset by the underwater environment

(The case of the under the aquatic environment (red line) is a simple numerical differentiation.)

# Observation and simulation of AFM frequency shift image of pentacene

The observation of the frequency shift image



L. Gross et al., Science 325, 1110-1114 (2009).

The simulation of the frequency shift image



Good agreement



#### It can also simulate in the case of in water.



# NC-AFM simulation of DNA

# Example of NC-AFM topography image

# DNA model



# Simulation result



# Constant-height mode



We derive the forces to the tip which scans on the sample surface at a constant height.





•The AFM simulation of a graphene sheet by a diamond tip in the constantheight mode; **in vacuum.** 





•The AFM simulation of a graphene sheet by a diamond tip in the constantheight mode; **in water.** 

# Constant-force mode



We search the tip heights on the sample surface where the force to the tip is equal to the specified value. (Not available for a calculation in water)



•The simulation of a collagen by a diamond tip in the constant-force mode in vacuum.

#### Force curve measurement mode

CG CG-RISM

We derive the forces to the tip which comes up to the sample at a specified position on the sample surface.





•The force curve simulation of a set of four octance chains by a carbon nanotube tip in the force curve measurement mode in vacuum, considering that the deformation of the atomic configuration in the sample molecules.

# Minimum power mode

CG We search the tip heights on the sample surface where the force to the tip may be minimum. (Not available for a calculation in water)





•The simulation of a graphene sheet by a diamond tip in the minimum power mode in vacuum.

## Case study of Classical Force Field AFM Simulator

MD



Figure S1. *p*-Nitroaniline (101) surface and  $Si_{10}$  tip. Top and side views of the symmetric tip are shown in panels a and b. The simulated tip-surface force distribution is in panel c. The tip was tilted by 17° as shown in panel d and the force simulated with the tilted tip is shown in panel e.

The simulator was utilized in Onishi Laboratory, Department of Chemistry, Kobe University. (Nishioka et al., J. Phys. Chem. C 117, 2939-2943 (2013).)

Lower left: the force map of the surface of p-nitroaniline crystal by our "Molecular Dynamics AFM Image Simulator (MD)" (It appears on Supporting Information of the above thesis. )

It was used for interpreting of the observed constant frequency shift topography, and it gave a theoretical support on the consideration that the main reason for significantly changing the topography is due to the tilted tip.

# Compression simulation of apo-ferritin

## **MD** Nano-mechanical experiments of protein molecule



# Compression simulation of GFP



## Nano-mechanical experiments of protein molcule G

GFP = Green Fluorescent Protein





# Compression and extension experiments of protein molecules by MD

MD Nano-mechanical experiments of protein molecule



MD can calculate the force curve of simulation which is the compression/extension of protein molecules by the graphite tip.



## Interfacial structure of mica surfaces and water Aspect of force distribution Hydration structure is in 3D basis.



AFM experiment (The original image is provided by Professor Yamada, Kyoto University.)



#### Distribution of water molecules

#### Snapshot in MD



Mica sample model





# AFM imaging simulation of collagen on the HOPG substrate **Example of AFM imaging simulation** AFM imaging of collagen adsorbed to the HOPG substrate Molecular model Simulation result



Katsunori Tagami and Masaru Tsukada, e-J. Surf. Sci. Nanotech. Vol. 4 (2006) 294-298.

## Force curve measurement mode



We derive the forces to the tip which comes up to the sample at a specified position on the sample surface.









# •The force curve of an octane molecule.

•The force curve of a Si(001) surface.

•The force curve of the antiangiogenic ATWLPPR peptide.

# Constant-height mode

MD

We derive the forces to the tip which scans on the sample surface at a constant height.





•The simulation of the forces to the tip on a benzene on HOPG in constant-height mode.







•The simulation of the forces to the tip on a formic acid on HOPG in constant-height mode.

## Non-contact mode height constant



We derive the forces to the tip which scans on the sample surface while oscillating around a constant height. As a result, we obtain a frequency shift image and an energy dissipation image.



## Relaxation



We calculate the structural relaxation of a sample molecule as a preparation for a simulation.

Before





# The structural relaxation of a **dichlorobenzene**





# The structural relaxation of a **porphyrin**

# Simulation of STM by Bardeen's perturbation method and DFTB method

-Calculation of the tunneling current-

# $I(\mathbf{R},V) = \frac{2\pi e}{\hbar} \int_{E_F^R}^{E_F^R} \sum_{ii'jj'} G_{ii'}^S(E) J_{i'j'}(\mathbf{R}) G_{j'j}^T(E+eV) J_{ji}(\mathbf{R}) dE$



It reproduces the difference in brightness between region F and region U. It reproduces that looks slightly restatom.

# DFTB STM simulation



Si₄H<sub>9</sub> tip; tip height = 4.0 Å



#### experiment by Sawada et al. (2009)



# **STM image of Porphyrin DFTB** (W tip : 6s,5d orbitals)

**Simulation of STM image** 





(W tip: 6s orbital)



# What does SPM see and how does SPM see.

# In the case of the surface of Si $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}$ -Ag

STM experiment



# ncAFM experiment



STM theory



ncAFM theory

S. Watanabe, M. Aono and M. Tsukada,

Phys. Rev. B. 44, 8330 (1991) STM image and AFM image are obtained from same surface, but these are quite different. STM image is composed of the amplitude of the unoccupied wave function.

N. Sasaki, S. Watanabe, M. Tsukada,

Phys. Rev. Lett. 88, 046106 (2002).

Reproduction of the AFM image is reproduced by theoretical calculation.

But...

# The temperature dependability of ncAFM image of surface of Si(111) $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}$



# The tip-shape influence

# In the case of STM image of graphite





N. Isshiki, K. Kobayashi, M. Tsukada, J. Vac. Sci. Technol. B 9(2), 475 (1991).



Nakagawa et al., Proc. Ann. Meeting of The Phys. Soc. Jpn, (1989) 374



Super structure

Brilliouin Zone

# KPFM image of impurity embedded Si(001)-c(4x2) surface

DFTB -Image of distribution of local contact potential difference-



This is a result of simulation that KPFM scans the Si sample surface with an impurity. Slightly larger bright spot than the atomic scale is appeared on the surface position of the impurity, and also it can be confirmed the spot which was caused by an atom on the sample surface.

# KPFM image of impurity(nitrogen atom) embedded Si(001)-c(4x2) surface



KPFM image of a local contact potential difference Nitrogen atom is not doped. Nitrogen by doping,local contact potential is shifted negative.

Nitrogen atom is doped. Frequency shift image

reflects the height of atoms.

# The LCPD image of a $TiO_2(110)$ surface



The simulation of the LCPD image of a TiO2(110) surface by the KPFM.



The tip model and the sample model



Result of the simulation of the LCPD image

# The case examples of frequency shift AFM image and KPFM image

**DFTB** Simulation of frequency shift image





## **DFTB** Simulation of contact potential difference image





We can see the region with the large potential difference. This region coincides with the lines connecting the up dimer Si atoms.

#### The case examples of the Scanning Tunneling Microscope and the Scanning **Tunneling Spectroscopy** Rocult View Simulation of Scanning Tunneling C /Users/ass/SPM/dttb/calculated/cpon04/8918\_npal/stm\_hsi/currentc-DFTB Microscope (STM) DCOTORISM S - 1 + S S DT S Pas 2 There is one of little H of this line. The tip: Si₄H<sub>9</sub> The sample surface: one hydrogen eliminated surface from Hydrogen- terminated Si (001) surface Si x (ang) Tip-surface distance: 3.8 Å There is a dangling bond at the hydrogen-eliminated position, then this is read that a large current flows. Simulation of Scanning Tunneling DFTB Result View Result View Spectroscopy (STS) C/Users/ass/SPM/dttb/run/surfaci/sts/si881\_3x1h/curr\_volt.csv C/Users/ass/SPM/dttb/run/surfsci/sts/si801\_3x1h/current\_spectro.cs. . Band gap The tip: Si<sub>4</sub>H₀ The sample surface: Si(001)-3x1:H Tip-surface distance: 3.4 Å v\_tip (v) v\_tip (v)

I-V characteristic curve

(dl/dV)/(l/V) vs. V

The voltage V of the horizontal axis is the tip bias compared to the sample one.

# The observation and the simulation of Si(001)-c(4x2) surface by STM

# DFTB

#### The tip/sample model

Tip: Si<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub> The sample surface: Si(001)-c(4x2) Tip-sample distance: 2.32 Å



#### Computed result of STM image





Imm Image of tunneling current of Si(001) surface It is known that the honeycomb structure is inverted by the sign of the bias. K. Hata, S. Yasuda, and H. Shigekawa, Phys. Rev. B **60**, 8164 (1999).

similarity

0.30e+4 nA

5.70e+4 n/

Bias voltage +1.0V

Bias voltage -1.0V

Honeycomb structure is inverted by the bias.

# The tunneling current image of a Si(001)-3x1:H surface

DFTB The simulation of the tunneling current image of a Si(001)-3x1:H surface by the STM mode.

The tip:	Si <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>
The sample surface:	Si(001)-3x1:H
Tip-surface distance:	3.4 Å



The tip model and the sample model



Result of the simulation of the tunneling current image

# The observation and simulation of Au(001) reconstructed surface by STM



# The observation and the simulation of pentacene molecules by AFM and STM



The tip bias voltage: +1.0V

4.0 Å The tip bias voltage: -1.0V

# The observation and the simulation of $TiO_2(110)$ surface by AFM and KPFM







# Sample Modeling

## SetModel

# How to make a carbon nanotube or its derivatives.

Single-wall nanotube — Input data mode: swcnt Chiral index: (8, 6) Number of unit cell: 1



Fullerene Input data mode: fuller Chiral index: (5, 5) Number of unit cell: 1



Capped carbon nanotube —— Input data mode: capped Chiral index: (10, -5) Number of unit cell: 8

