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afmAdhesionEnergy	<i>Adhesion Energy</i>
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Description

Finds the adhesion and the full detach energies from the retract segment of the AFM F-d curve.

Usage

```
afmAdhesionEnergy(afmdata, width = 1, lagdiff = width, mul, mdj = NULL)
```

Arguments

afmdata	An afmdata or afmexperiment class variables. Baseline correction should have been done already.
width	Width of the window for the local regression (in vector position units)
lagdiff	Lag for estimating the differences in Delta (or slopes) signal. By default it takes the same value as the window with.
mul	Multiplier for the calculating the threshold in the estimation of jumps and peaks in the Delta signal
mdj	Minimum distance between jumps. If none is given then it will be set equal to width

Value

An afmdata class variable which will consist on the original input afmdata variable plus a new list named AdhEner with the following fields:

Points Array containing the indices of the retract segment where the adhesion begins, the unbinding event takes place and the adhesion ends.

Energies Data frame with three columns: E1adh, E2adh and Etotal, being the first one the energy from the beginning of the adhesion until the unbinding event, then second one the energy from the unbinding event until the full detachment of the tip, and the third one, the sum of them.

Examples

```
path <- path.package("afmToolkit")
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path)
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 2, mul2 = 30)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmAdhesionEnergy(data, width = 20, mul = 10)
str(data$AdhEner)
```

afmBaselineCorrection *Performs a baseline correction to an AFM F-z curve*

Description

This function performs the baseline correction to an AFM F-z curve within an afmdata structure.

It subtracts a best fit line to the cuve: for the approach and contact segments, it fits a line to the approach curve points where for which $|z| > ZPointApp$ and for the retract segment, it fits a line to the retract curve where $|z| > ZpointRet$.

If no ZPointApp is given and the contact point has been already estimated (via afmContactPoint() function), then it is found as

$$ZPointApp = 0.7ContactPoint + 0.3max(Z)$$

Usage

```
afmBaselineCorrection(
  afmdata,
  ZPointApp = NULL,
  ZPointRet = NULL,
  fitpause = c("approach", "retract", "none"),
  vsTime = FALSE,
  sinusoidal = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

afmdata	An afmdata structure.
ZPointApp	Point in the approach segment of the curve that defines the approach baseline
ZPointRet	Point in the retract segment of the curves that defines the retract baseline
fitpause	Behaviour for the baseline correction at the pause segment: if "approach" (default), the pause segment is corrected using the best line fit done on the approach segment, if "retract" the best line fit of the retract segment is used, if "none", no baseline correction is done on the pause segment.
vsTime	Logical. If TRUE then the baseline correction is performed following the Force vs time approach described by S. Moreno-Flores (<i>Moreno Flores (2016)</i>).
sinusoidal	Logical. If TRUE, then a pure harmonic is added to the fit of the baseline in order to remove possible periodical noise. Defaults to FALSE.

Value

afmdata An afmdata structure identical to the one in the input, but with an additional ForceCorrected column in the data dataframe of the afmdata structure.

References

Moreno Flores (2016). Baseline correction of AFM force curves in the force-time representation. *Microscopy Research and Technique*, 79, (11), pp. 1045-1049.

Examples

```
AFMcurve <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-2h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
ZPointApp <- 6.43e-6
ZPointRet <- 6.45e-6
AFMcurve <- afmBaselineCorrection(AFMcure,ZPointApp = ZPointApp,ZPointRet = ZPointRet)
plot(AFMcure)

# Without providing ZPointApp
AFMcurve <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
AFMcurve <- afmContactPoint(AFMcure,width = 10,mul1 = 1,mul2 = 20,
                           loessSmooth = FALSE)
AFMcurve <- afmBaselineCorrection(AFMcure)
plot(AFMcure)
```

afmContactPoint	<i>Contact point</i>
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Description

Find the contact point in for the Force-Distance curve following the local regression and two thresholds methods described in *Microscopy Research and Technique* 2013 (see reference).

Usage

```
afmContactPoint(
  afmdata,
  width = 1,
  mul1,
  mul2,
  lagdiff = width,
  Delta = TRUE,
  loessSmooth = FALSE,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

afmdata	A Force-Distance curve with the afmdata structure. It should be a list with at least the 'data' field with a data frame of at least 4 columns.
width	Width of the window for the local regression (in vector position units)
mul1	First multiplier for the first alarm threshold
mul2	Second multiplier for the second alarm threshold
lagdiff	Lag for estimating the differences in Delta (or slopes) signal. By default it takes the same value as the window with.
Delta	Logical. If TRUE, then the statistic for determining the contact point is the differences between two consecutive values of the slope of the local regression line. If FALSE then the slope itself is used.
loessSmooth	Logical If TRUE, a loess smoothing (via loess.smooth()) is done prior to the determination of the contact point. The span of the smoothing is 0.05 (5 approach segment).
silent	Logical. If TRUE supresses a message showing which curve is being processing (use it when processing a high number of curves). Defaults to FALSE.

Value

An afmdata class variable which will consist on the original input afmdata variable plus a new list named CP with the following fields:

CP The contact point value.

iCP The position in the array for the contact point value.

delta The delta signal.

noise The noise of the delta signal

References

Benitez R., Moreno-Flores S., Bolos V. J. and Toca-Herrera J.L. (2013). "A new automatic contact point detection algorithm for AFM force curves". Microscopy research and technique, **76** (8), pp. 870-876.

See Also[afmDetachPoint](#)**Examples**

```

path <- path.package("afmToolkit")
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path)
width <- 20
mul1 <- 1
mul2 <- 10
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = width, mul1 = mul1, mul2 = mul2)
## Not run:
plot(data, segment = "approach") + geom_vline(xintercept = data$CP$CP, lty = 2)

## End(Not run)

```

afmdata

*AFM data***Description**

This function creates an `afmdata` structure, which is a list with at least one field called `data` which is a data frame with a valid AFM data, that is, at least 3 variables called "Z", "Force", and "Segment".

Usage

```

afmdata(data, dstr = "Z", Fstr = "Force", Segstr = "Segment", tstr = "Time",
  params = list(SpringConstant = numeric(), curvename = NULL ))

```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame consisting in 3 or 4 columns. A minimum of "Z" (or "distance"), "Force" and "Segment". Optionally a fourth column with "Time" could be added.
<code>dstr</code>	Character string with the possible names for the distance variable.
<code>Fstr</code>	Character string with the possible names for the force variable.
<code>Segstr</code>	Character string with the possible names for the Segment variable.
<code>tstr</code>	Character string with the possible names for the time variable.
<code>params</code>	A list that may contain parameters describing the F-d curve. At least will contain the <code>SpringConstant</code> and the <code>curvename</code> , being the former the cantilever spring constant and the latter a F-d curve ID. Function <code>afmReadJPK</code> will try to obtain the spring constant from the file header and the <code>curvename</code> from the data file name.

Value

An object of class afmdata

See Also

[afmexperiment](#)

Examples

```
#Making some artifical data following a L-J 12-6 potential
n <- 1000
z <- seq(from = 9e-3, to = 1e-1, length.out = n )
u0 <- 1e-5
z0 <- 1e-2
Force <- -u0*(12*z0^6/z^7-12*z0^12/z^13)
Segment <- rep("approach",n)
AFMcurve <- afmdata(data.frame(Z = z, Force = Force, Segment = Segment))
plot(AFMcurve)
```

afmDetachPoint	<i>Detach point</i>
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Description

Find the detach point (or unbinding point) for the Force-Distance curve following the local regression and two thresholds methods described in Microscopy Research and Technique 2013 (see reference).

The procedure is similar to the one used by the `afmContactPoint()` function for obtaining the contact point.

Usage

```
afmDetachPoint(
  afmdata,
  width = 1,
  mul1,
  mul2,
  lagdiff = width,
  Delta = TRUE,
  loessSmooth = FALSE,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

afmdata	A Force-Distance curve with the afmdata structure. It should be a list with at least the 'data' field with a data frame of at least 4 columns.
width	Width of the window for the local regression (in vector position units)
mul1	First multiplier for the first alarm threshold
mul2	Second multiplier for the second alarm threshold
lagdiff	Lag for estimating the differences in Delta (or slopes) signal. By default it takes the same value as the window with.
Delta	Logical. If TRUE, then the statistic for determining the contact point is the differences between two consecutive values of the slope of the local regression line. If FALSE then the slope itself is used.
loessSmooth	Logical If TRUE, a loess smoothing (via loess.smooth()) is done prior to the determination of the contact point. The span of the smoothing is 0.05 (5 approach segment).
silent	Logical. If TRUE supresses a message showing which curve is being processing (use it when processing a high number of curves). Defaults to FALSE.

Value

An afmdata class variable which will consist on the original input afmdata variable plus a new list named DP with the following fields:

DP The detach point value.

iDP The position in the array for the detach point value.

delta The delta signal.

noise The noise of the delta signal

References

Benitez R., Moreno-Flores S., Bolos V. J. and Toca-Herrera J.L. (2013). "A new automatic contact point detection algorithm for AFM force curves". Microscopy research and technique, **76** (8), pp. 870-876.

See Also

[afmContactPoint](#)

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
width <- 10
mul1 <- 2
mul2 <- 40
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = width, mul1 = mul1, mul2 = mul2)
## Not run:
plot(data, segment = "retract") + geom_vline(xintercept = data$DP$DP, lty = 2)

## End(Not run)
```

afmexperiment	<i>AFM experiment</i>
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Description

This function creates an `afmexperiment` structure, which is as list (or an array) of elements of `afmdata` class.

Usage

```
afmexperiment(data, ID=NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A variable of <code>afmdata</code> class, or a list of elements of <code>afmdata</code> class.
<code>ID</code>	Character string with the identifier of the data variable or a string array in case <code>data</code> is a list of <code>afmdata</code> variables.

Value

An object of class `afmexp`.

See Also

[afmdata](#)

Examples

```
dataFolder <- paste(path.package("afmToolkit"), "afmexperiment", sep = "/")
dataFiles <- list.files(dataFolder, pattern = "force", full.names = FALSE)
data <- lapply(dataFiles, afmReadJPK, path = dataFolder)
names(data) <- dataFiles
data <- afmexperiment(data)
plot(data[[1]])
```

afmExtract	<i>Extract computed parameters from an afmexperiment</i>
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Description

Extracts some parameters from an `afmexperiment` for an easy further analysis.

Usage

```
afmExtract(
  afmexperiment,
  params = list("YM", "AE", "RE", "HY", "AF", "IF"),
  opt.param = NULL,
  forces = NULL
)
```

Arguments

afmexperiment	Data of afmexperiment class.
params	List of parameters to extract from the data.
opt.param	Optional parameter or factor in the params field of the afmdata list to add to the data extraction.
forces	When one of the parameters to extract is the "Indentation Forces" ("IF"), this numeric vector provides the forces for which obtain the corresponding force. If forces is NULL (default), then the indentation at maximum force is computed.

Value

A data frame with the name of the curve and the corresponding values of the parameters extracted.

Examples

```
## Not run:
require(dplyr) # Not really necessary

# Load the data
data(batchExperiment)

# Process the afmexperiment
data <- afmContactPoint(batchExperiment, width = 50, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 50, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data)
data <- afmIndentation(data)
data <- afmYoungModulus(data, thickness = 2e-7, params = list(alpha = 22))
data <- afmExpDecay(data, plt = FALSE)
data <- afmAdhesionEnergy(data, mul = 7)

# Extract the values of the parameters obtained in the analysis
afmExpParams <- afmExtract(data, opt.param = "type")

# Plotting the Young's Modulus
afmExpParams[[1]] %>% ggplot(aes(x = type, y = YM)) + geom_boxplot()
ylab("Young's Modulus (Pa)")

## End(Not run)
```

afmHysteresis	<i>Hysteresis</i>
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Description

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Usage

```
afmHysteresis(afmdata, silent = FALSE,...)
```

Arguments

afmdata	A Force-Distance curve with the afmdata structure. It should be a list with at least the 'data' field with a data frame of at least 4 columns.
silent	Logical value. If TRUE omits the name of curve being processed (defaults to FALSE)
...	Extra options to be passed to afmZeroPointSlope function

Value

An afmdata class variable which will consist on the original input afmdata variable plus a new list named Hysteresis with the following fields:

Hyst_app Time hyst app

Hyst_ret Time hyst ret

Hyst_tot Time hyst total

Hyst_ratio Time hyst app/ret ratio

See Also

[afmZeroPointSlope](#)

Examples

```
path <- path.package("afmToolkit")
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path)
width <- 20
mul1 <- 1
mul2 <- 10
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = width, mul1 = mul1, mul2 = mul2)
## Not run:
plot(data, segment = "approach") + geom_vline(xintercept = data$CP$CP, lty = 2)

## End(Not run)
```

afmIndentation	<i>afmIndentation</i>
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Description

This function computes the deformation of the sample from the calibrated Force-Distance curve, by subtracting Z to the Zero Force Point calculated with afmZeroPointSlope function.

Usage

```
afmIndentation(afmdata)
```

Arguments

afmdata	An afmdata object. It should be a valid afmdata object upon which the Contact Point, the baseline correction and the Zero Force Point must have been calculated first (using functions afmContactPoint(), afmBaselineCorrection()) and afmZeroPointSlope()
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Value

Returns a list with one field:

afmdata: An afmdata class in which a Indentation column is added in the data field.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 20)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 40, mul1 = 3, mul2 = 40)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data, segment = "approach")
data <- afmIndentation(data)
head(data$data)
```

afmReadJPK	<i>Read Nanowizard JPK ascii file</i>
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Description

Read an ascii JPK file.

Reads an ascii JPK file with one to three headers.

Usage

```
afmReadJPK(
  filename,
  path = "",
  FColStr = "Vertical",
  ZColStr = "Height (measured)",
  tColStr = "Segment Time",
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

filename	String with the name of the jpk file.
path	Path to the folder where the file is.
FColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Force column.
ZColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Z column.
tColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Time column.
silent	Logical parameter. If TRUE it suppresses the messages regarding the loading of the JPK file (defaults to FALSE).

Value

A afmdata structure list containing a field 'data' which is a data frame with variables Force, Z, Time (if applicable) and Segment ("approach", "retract" and/or "pause") and a field 'params' which is a list with the fields 'curvename' and 'SpringConstant'.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
str(data)
```

afmReadJPKFolder	<i>Read all Nanowizard JPK ascii files in a folder</i>
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Description

Read all JPK ascii files in a given folder. It searches for all files containing a given patter (".txt" by default) and uses the afmReadJPJ function.

Usage

```
afmReadJPKFolder(folder, pattern = ".txt", ...)
```

Arguments

folder	Name of the folder containing the jpk files.
pattern	Pattern that will identify the jok files (".txt" by default).
...	Other parameters passed to afmReadJPK function.

Value

An afmexperiment class data structure with all F-d curves.

Examples

```
folder <- paste(path.package("afmToolkit"), "afmexperiment", sep = "/")
data <- afmReadJPKFolder(folder = folder)
str(data)
```

afmReadJPKMultiFolder *Read all Nanowizard Multi-indentation JPK ascii files in a folder*

Description

Read all multi-indentation JPK ascii files in a given folder. It searches for all files containing a given patter (".txt" by default) and uses the afmReadJPJ function.

Usage

```
afmReadJPKMultiFolder(folder, pattern = ".txt", ...)
```

Arguments

folder	Name of the folder containing the jpk files.
pattern	Pattern that will identify the jok files (".txt" by default).
...	Other parameters passed to afmReadJPKMultiIndent function.

Value

An afmmultiexp class data structure with all F-d curves.

afmReadJPKMultiIndent *Read Nanowizard JPK ascii file containing a multi-indentation experiment*

Description

Read an ascii JPK file containing several approach - pause segments and only one retract segment.

Usage

```
afmReadJPKMultiIndent(
  filename,
  path = "",
  FColStr = "Vertical Deflection",
  ZColStr = "Height (measured & smoothed)",
  tColStr = "Segment Time",
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

filename	String with the name of the jpk file.
path	Path to the folder where the file is.
FColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Force column.
ZColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Z column.
tColStr	String with a pattern identifying the Time column.
silent	Logical value. If TRUE suppresses the message indicating the name of the curve being processed (useful for batch-processing large number of curves). Defaults to FALSE

Value

A afmdata structure list containing a field 'data' which is a data frame with variables Force, Z, Time (if applicable) and Segment ("approach", "retract" and/or "pause") and a field 'params' which is a list with the fields 'curvename' and 'SpringConstant'.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPKMultiIndent("force-save-JPK-multiIndent.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
# Processing
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 100, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 100, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data, fstar = 1)
data <- afmIndentation(data)
data <- afmRelax(data, model = "power", type = "CH", tmax = 5, plt = TRUE)
```

afmReadVeeco

Read Bruke Nanoscope Veeco ascii file

Description

Read an ascii Veeco file.

Reads an ascii Veeco file with one or two segments.

Usage

```
afmReadVeeco(
  filename,
  path = ".",
  FColStr = "pN",
  ZColStr = "Ramp",
  tColStr = "Time",
  TimeCol = TRUE,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

filename	String with the name of the jpk file.
path	Path to the folder where the file is.
FColStr	String pattern identifying the Force columns (defaults to "pN")
ZColStr	String pattern identifying the Z columns (defaults to "Ramp")
tColStr	String pattern identifying the Time columns (defaults to "Time")
TimeCol	Logical value. If TRUE (default) there is a Time column.
silent	Logical parameter. If TRUE it suppresses the messages regarding the loading of the JPK file (defaults to FALSE).

Value

A afmdata structure list containing a field 'data' which is a data frame with variables Force, Z, Time (if aplicable) and Segment ("approach", "retract" and/or "pause") and a field 'params' which is a list with the fields 'curvename' and 'SpringConstant'.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadVeeco("veeco_file.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
str(data)
```

afmReadVeecoFolder	<i>Read all Bruke Nanoscope Veeco ascii files in a folder</i>
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Description

Read all Veeco ascii files in a given folder. It searches for all files containing a given patten (".txt" by default) and uses the afmReadVeeco function.

Usage

```
afmReadVeecoFolder(folder, pattern = ".txt", ...)
```

Arguments

folder	Name of the folder containing the Veeco files.
pattern	Pattern that will identify the Veeco files (".txt" by default).
...	Parameters to be passed to the afmReadVeeco() function.

Value

An afmexperiment class data structure with all F-d curves.

Examples

```
folder <- paste(path.package("afmToolkit"), "veecoFolder", sep = "/")
data <- afmReadVeecoFolder(folder = folder)
str(data)
```

afmRelax	<i>Stress relaxation/ Creep model fit</i>
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Description

Fits a viscoelastic exponential decay in a Force-Relaxation or Creep experiments as described in Nanotechnology 2010 (see references).

Usage

```
afmRelax(afmdata, model = c("power", "exp"), nexp = 2, tmax = NULL,
         type = c("CH", "CF"), plt = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>afmdata</code>	An object of <code>afmdata</code> class with a pause segment and a Time column in the data dataframe.
<code>model</code>	Type of model to be fitted. Could be either "power" for a power law model or "exp" for an exponential decay model.
<code>nexp</code>	Number of expontials in the Prony series to be fitted if <code>model</code> is "exp". Currently only one or two exponentials are supported. Default is 2.
<code>tmax</code>	Maximum time considered in the relaxation curve. It defaults to Inf, meaning that the whole pause segment is considered.
<code>type</code>	Type of the experiment. Can be either "CH" (Constant Height) for a force-relaxation experiment or "CF" (Constant Force) for a creep experiment. Default is <code>type = "CH"</code> .
<code>plt</code>	Logical. If TRUE (default) then a plot of the pause segment with the overlay of the fit is shown.
<code>...</code>	Options passed to the <code>nlsM()</code> function from the <code>minpack.lm</code> package. At least should contain the starting values (<code>start = list(...)</code>) for the Levenberg-Mardquart nonlinear least square method. For use only if <code>model</code> is "exp".

Value

An `afmdata` class variable which will consist on the original input `afmdata` variable plus a new list named `RelaxFit` with the following fields:

`model`: The model used in the fit.

`relaxModel`: A `nls` object returned from `nlsM()` function.

`relaxFit`: The values predicted by the fit, returned from the `predict()` function.

References

Susana Moreno-Flores, Rafael Benitez, Maria dM Vivanco and Jose Luis Toca-Herrera (2010). "Stress relaxation and creep on living cells with the atomic force microscope: a means to calculate elastic moduli and viscosities of cell components". *Nanotechnology*, **21** (44), pp. 445101.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
width <- 20
mul1 <- 1
mul2 <- 10
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = width, mul1 = mul1, mul2 = mul2)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = width, mul1 = mul1, mul2 = mul2)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmRelax(data, model = "exp", nexp = 2, type = "CH")
```

afmStitch	<i>Stitch the files of a Bruker experiment</i>
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Description

Creates an afmdata structure from the four files of a Bruker experiment containing three segments: approach, hold and retract. It also requires the header file to extract the spring constant.

Usage

```
afmStitch(expname)
```

Arguments

expname	Veeco experiment name. A character string with the common part of the 4 files.
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Value

An afmdata class variable with the three segments of the Veeco file experiment

afmYoungModulus	<i>afmYoungModulus</i>
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Description

This function computes the Young's Modulus of the sample from the approach curve using Hertz's contact model for a pyramidal, paraboloid or conical tip.

Usage

```
afmYoungModulus(
  afmdata,
  thickness = NULL,
  model = "Hertz",
  geometry = c("pyramid", "paraboloid", "cone"),
  thin_correction = FALSE,
  showfit = FALSE,
  params,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>afmdata</code>	An <code>afmdata</code> object. It should be a valid <code>afmdata</code> object upon which the Contact Point, the baseline correction and the Zero Force Point and the Indentation must have been calculated first (using functions <code>afmContactPoint()</code> , <code>afmBaselineCorrection()</code> , <code>afmZeroPointSlope()</code> , and <code>afmIndentation()</code>)
<code>thickness</code>	Thickness (in m) of the surface. The Force - Indentation fit will be done for values of the Indentation variable smaller than the thickness. If no value is given, it will be done for all values in the curve for which the Indentation is negative.
<code>model</code>	Contact mechanics model to be used. Currently only Hertz's pure elastic model is available.
<code>geometry</code>	Geometry of the tip. Currently only pyramidal (default), paraboloid, and conical geometries are implemented.
<code>thin_correction</code>	Logical value. If TRUE a thin layer correction is performed as shown in Dimitriadis et al. 2002, and in Gavara and Chadwick 2012.
<code>showfit</code>	Logical value. If FALSE it prints the fit model summary (via <code>summary.lm()</code>). Default value is FALSE
<code>params</code>	A list containing different parameters of the model: e.g. <code>nu</code> (Poisson's ratio) or <code>alpha</code> (internal angle, in degrees, of the pyramidal and conical tips) or <code>R</code> (tip radius, in the paraboloid geometry)
<code>silent</code>	Logical value. If TRUE suppresses the message indicating the name of the curve being processed (useful for batch-processing large number of curves). Defaults to FALSE

Value

An `afmdata` class variable which will consist on the original input `afmdata` variable plus a new list named `YoungModulus` with the following fields:

`YoungModulus` The Young's modulus value (in Pa).

`fitYM` The Force vs Indentation² fit as an `lm` object.

`fitdata` The subset of the data used in the fit.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-2h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 20)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 40, mul1 = 3, mul2 = 40)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data, segment = "approach")
data <- afmIndentation(data)
data <- afmYoungModulus(data, thickness = 1e-8, params = list(alpha = 22),
                        silent = TRUE)
print(data$YoungModulus$YoungModulus)
```

afmZeroPointSlope *Zero Force Point and Slope*

Description

This function finds the point of zero force (real contact point) and the slope of the contact part of the Force-Distance curve.

Usage

```
afmZeroPointSlope(
  afmdata,
  fstar = 0,
  segment = c("approach", "retract"),
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

afmdata	An afmdata object. It should be a valid afmdata object upon which the Contact Point and the baseline correction must have been calculated first (using functions afmContactPoint() and afmBaselineCorrection())
fstar	Value such that $fstar * sd$ is to be considered as zero Force, where sd is the standard deviation of Force at the baseline. It takes $fstar = 0$ as default value, meaning that zero force is actually zero.
segment	The segment on which everything is calculated.
silent	Logical value. If TRUE suppresses the message indicating the name of the curve being processed (useful for batch-processing large number of curves). Defaults to FALSE

Value

An afmdata class variable which will consist on the original input afmdata variable plus a new list named Slopes with the following fields: Z0Point: Point of zero force. Slope: Slope of the best fit line in the contact part of the Force-Distance curve.

Examples

```
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-2h.txt.gz", path = path.package("afmToolkit"))
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 20)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 40, mul1 = 3, mul2 = 40)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data, segment = "approach")
## Not run:
plot(data, segment = "approach") + geom_vline(xintercept = data$Slopes$Z0Point, lty = 2)

## End(Not run)
```

append.afmdata	<i>Append to an afmdata list.</i>
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Description

This function appends a list to an existing afmdata structure. It is used internally by several afm* functions when attaching the results to the input afmdata variable. This function should not be used directly unless by experienced users.

Usage

```
append.afmdata(afmdata, x, name = NULL)
```

Arguments

afmdata	The afmdata to which the new list is going to be joined.
x	A list to be appended.
name	The name of new field of the resulting afmdata object. If none is given, it is the same as x.

Value

The new list of class afmdata

batchExperiment	<i>Example of an afmexperiment data class.</i>
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Description

An afmexperiment list containing 14 afmdata Force-distance experiments. Each experiment has three segments ("approach", "pause" and "retract") and they are divided in two groups depending on the covering of the sample ("CHI" for Chitosan, and "PAH" for Polyallylamine hydrochloride).

Usage

```
batchExperiment
```

Format

An afmexperiment class consisting on a list of 14 afmdata class elements each one having the following fields:

data Data frame with the data itself with a variable number of rows (between 4692 and 6142) and 4 variables:

Z Distance (in meters)

Force Force (in Newtons)

Time Time starting at the begining of each segment (in seconds)

Segment Segment of the Force-distance curve (factor: "approach", "pause", "retract")

params List with the following fields describing the experiment:

SpringConstant Cantilever spring constant (in N/m)

curvename Name of the original AFM data file from which the data was obtained

type Type of sample covering: "CHI" for Chitosan, and "PAH" for Polyallylamine hydrochloride

is.afmdata

Afmdata check.

Description

Checks whether an R object is an afmdata or not.

Usage

```
is.afmdata(x)
```

Arguments

x Any **R** object.

Value

Returns TRUE if its argument is an afmdata (that is, has "afmdata" amongst its classes) and FALSE otherwise.

is.afmexperiment

Afmexperiment check.

Description

Checks wether an R object is an afmexperiment or not.

Usage

```
is.afmexperiment(x)
```

Arguments

x Any **R** object.

Value

Returns TRUE if its argument is an afmdata (that is, has "afmexperiment" amongst its classes) and FALSE otherwise.

is.afmmulti	<i>Afmdata multiindentation check.</i>
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Description

Checks whether an R object is of class afmmulti or not.

Usage

```
is.afmmulti(x)
```

Arguments

x Any **R** object.

Value

Returns TRUE if its argument is an afmmulti (that is, has "afmmulti" amongst its classes) and FALSE otherwise.

plot.afmdata	<i>Plot an afmdata object</i>
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Description

Plots an afmdata object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'afmdata'
plot(x, y = NULL, vs = "Z", segment = "all", ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object of afmdata class.
y	Variable added for compatibility with plot.
vs	The variable for the x-axis. May take the values "Time" or "Z". It defaults to "Z", plotting thus a Force-Distance curve. If vs is set to "Time", then it plots a Force-Time curve.
segment	The segment of the curve to be plotted. If segment = "all" then all segments of the curve are plotted. Possible values are: "approach", "pause", "retract" and "all".
...	Additional parameters to be passed to the ggplot functions.

Examples

```
# Loading the data
path <- path.package("afmToolkit")
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path)
# Standard plot (out of the box)
plot(data)
# Computing the contact and detach points
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 40, mul1 = 3, mul2 = 20)
# Making the baseline correction
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
# Plot once the baseline correction is done
plot(data)
# Plotting only retract segment
plot(data, segment = "retract")
# Plotting the pause segment: Force vs Time
plot(data, segment = "pause", vs = "Time")
```

summary.afmdata

Summary of an afmdata class object.

Description

This function summarizes the main features of an afmdata object and, optionnaly plots all segments available with all parameters estimated.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'afmdata'
summary(object, plt = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An object of afmdata class.
plt	Logical variable. If TRUE plots all available segments with all available data.
...	Additional arguments (for compatibility with summary)

Examples

```
## Not run: path <- path.package("afmToolkit")
data <- afmReadJPK("force-save-JPK-3h.txt.gz", path = path)
data <- afmContactPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 1, mul2 = 10)
data <- afmDetachPoint(data, width = 20, mul1 = 2, mul2 = 30)
data <- afmBaselineCorrection(data)
data <- afmAdhesionEnergy(data, width = 20, mul = 10)
data <- afmZeroPointSlope(data, segment = "approach")
data <- afmIndentation(data)
data <- afmYoungModulus(data, thickness = 1e-7, params = list(alpha = 22),
```

```

                                silent = TRUE)
data <- afmExpDecay(data, nexp = 2, type = "CH")
summary(data)
## End(Not run)

```

windowedFit

Linear fit in a running window

Description

This is an internal function used by the `afmContactPoint` and `afmDetachPoint` functions. It computes the slopes of a linear fit to the data in a window of a given radius. This function should not be used directly unless by experienced users.

Usage

```
windowedFit(X, width)
```

Arguments

X	Least squares matrix on the form [1 z Force], according to input parameters in function <code>lm.fit</code>
width	Width of the window for the local regression (in vector position units)

Value

OUT A vector of length `nrow(X)-2*width`, containing with the slopes of the fits.

Examples

```

n <- 100
x <- seq(0,2*pi,length.out = n)
y = sin(x)+0.1*rnorm(n)
X <- matrix(c(rep(1,n),x,y),nrow = n,ncol = 3)
width <- 5
b <- windowedFit(X,width)
plot(x[(width+1):(n-width)],b,xlab = "x",ylab = "y",type = "l")
lines(x,y,col = "red")
legend("bottomleft",c("Slopes","Signal"),col = c(1,2),lty = 1)

```

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