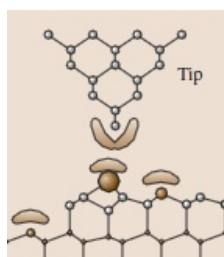


Introduction : Results are matched with H-H atoms molecular forces and a typical Si-Si interaction graphics from Bushan's Springer Link Hand Book of Nano Technology



H-H vals:
b = 2.5e10; % decay factor
a = 74*PM; % bond distance 2.42 A in m
D = 436; % Bond Energy per kj/mol

Si-Si vals:
a = 296*PM; % bond distance 2.42 Å in m
D = 130; % Bond Energy per kJ/mol
b = 2.5e10; % decay factor

$$V_{\text{vdW}} = -\frac{A_H}{6z} \quad (13.1)$$

The "Hamaker constant", A_H , depends on the type of materials (atomic polarizability and density) of the tip and sample and is on the order of 1 eV for most solids [13,13].

When the tip and sample are both conductive and have an electrostatic potential difference, $U \neq 0$, electrostatic forces are important. For a spherical tip with radius R , the force is given by [13,14]:

$$F_{\text{electrostatic}} = -\frac{\pi\epsilon_0 R U^2}{z}. \quad (13.2)$$

Chemical forces are more complicated. Empirical model potentials for chemical bonds are the Morse potential (see e.g., [13,131]).

$$V_{\text{Morse}} = -E_{\text{bond}} \left(2e^{-\kappa(z-\sigma)} - e^{-2\kappa(z-\sigma)} \right) \quad (13.3)$$

and the Lennard-Jones potential [13,13]:

$$V_{\text{Lennard-Jones}} = -E_{\text{bond}} \left(2 \frac{\sigma^6}{z^6} - \frac{\sigma^{12}}{z^{12}} \right) . \quad (13.4)$$

These potentials describe a chemical bond with bonding energy E_{bond} and equilibrium distance σ . The Morse potential has an additional parameter – a decay length κ .

The Hamaker constant

The Hamaker constant consists of the prefactor to the van der Waal's integral.

$$A = \left(\frac{\rho N_A}{M} \right)^2 \pi^2 \beta$$

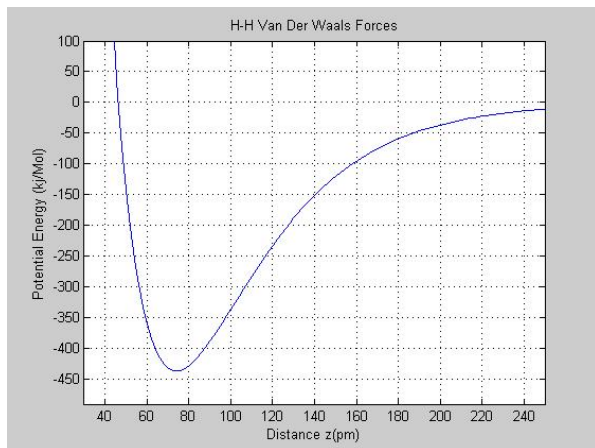
The order of magnitude of the Hamaker constant can be estimated based on the following considerations. For cases where the dispersion interaction is the dominant contribution,

$$\beta = \frac{3}{4} h\nu \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right)^2$$

Recognize that $\rho N_A/M$ is the reciprocal of the molecular volume and $\alpha/4\pi\epsilon_0$ is about 10% of the atomic volume. Therefore $A \approx 3/4\pi^2\hbar v(0.1)^2 \approx 10^{-18}$ J.

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Results:



Results of Literature:

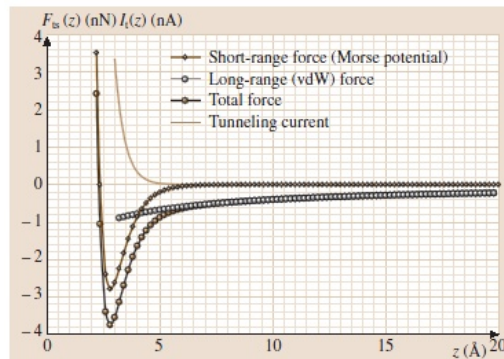
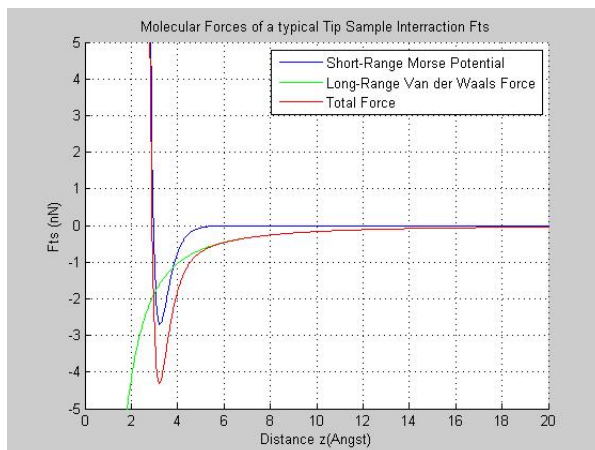
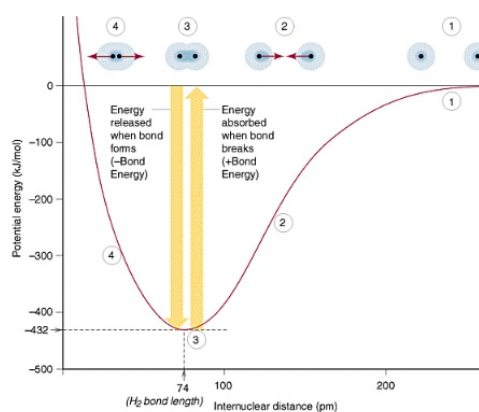


Fig. 13.4 Plot of tunneling current I_t and force F_{ts} (typical values) as a function of distance z between front atom and surface atom layer

Conclusion:

Key Findings - Notes: