

## **Supporting Information**

for

# Mechanical property measurements enabled by short-term Fourier-transform of atomic force microscopy thermal deflection analysis

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Equations of motion of the cantilever dynamics models and additional experimental data

### **Equations of Dispersion Relations for Three Cantilever Models**

#### Solution to model 1 dispersion

$$\sinh(k_n L)\cos(k_n L) - \sin(k_n L)\cosh(k_n L) = \frac{(k_n L)^3 k_c}{3k^*} (1 + \cos(k_n L)\cosh(k_n L)) \tag{S1}$$

#### Solution to model 2 dispersion

$$-\left(\cosh(k_n L_1)\sin(k_n L_1) - \sinh(k_n L_1)\cos(k_n L_1)\right)(1 + \cos(k_n L')\cosh(k_n L'))$$

$$-\left(\cosh(k_n L')\sin(k_n L') - \sinh(k_n L')\cos(k_n L')\right)(1 - \cos(k_n L_1)\cosh(k_n L_1))$$

$$= 2k_n^3 \frac{EI}{k^*} [1 + \cos(k_n (L_1 + L'))\cosh(k_n (L_1 + L'))] \quad (S2)$$

#### Solution to model 3 dispersion

$$\frac{k^*}{k_c} = \frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{6A}$$
 (S3)

$$A = \left(\frac{\kappa}{k^*}\right) \left(\frac{h}{L_1}\right)^2 (1 - \cos(x)\cosh(xL_1))(1 + \cos(xL')\cosh(xL')) \tag{S4}$$

$$B = B_1 + B_2 + B_3 \tag{S5}$$

$$C = 2(xL_1)^4 (1 + \cos(xL_1)\cosh(xL_1))$$
(S6)

$$B_{1} = \left(\frac{h}{L_{1}}\right)^{2} (xL_{1})^{3} \left(\sin^{2}(\alpha) + \frac{\kappa}{k_{c}} \cos^{2}(\alpha)\right)$$

$$[(1 + \cos(xL') \cosh(xL'))(\sin(xL_{1}) \cosh(nL_{1}) + \cos(xL_{1}) \sinh(xL_{1}))$$

$$- (1 - \cos(nL_{1}) \cosh(nL_{1}))(\sin(xL') \cosh(xL') + \cos(xL') \sinh(xL'))]$$
 (S7)

$$B_2 = 2\left(\frac{h}{L_1}\right)(xL_1)^2 \left(\frac{\kappa}{k_c}\cos(\alpha)\sin(\alpha)\right)$$

$$[(1+\cos(xL')\cosh(xL'))(\sin(xL_1)\sinh(nL_1))$$

$$+ (1-\cos(nL_1)\cosh(nL_1))(\sin(xL')\sinh(xL'))] \quad (S8)$$

$$B_{3} = (xL_{1})(\cos^{2}(\alpha) + \frac{\kappa}{k_{c}}\sin^{2}(\alpha))$$

$$[(1 + \cos(xL')\cosh(xL'))(\sin(xL_{1})\cosh(nL_{1}) - \cos(xL_{1})\sinh(xL_{1}))$$

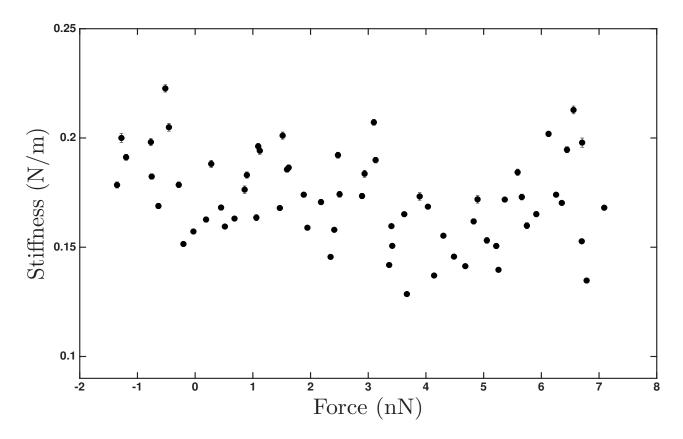
$$- (1 - \cos(nL_{1})\cosh(nL_{1}))(\sin(xL')\cosh(xL') - \cos(xL')\sinh(xL'))]$$
 (S9)

$$G^* = \left(\frac{2 - \nu_1}{G_1} + \frac{2 - \nu_2}{G_2}\right)^{-1} \tag{S10}$$

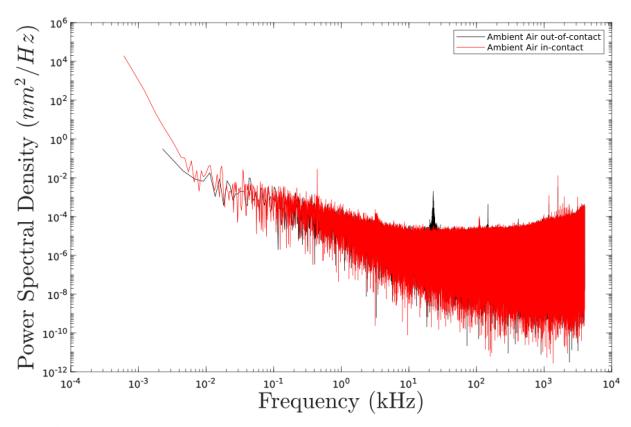
$$G = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{E}{1+\nu} \right) \tag{S11}$$

$$\kappa = 8G^* a = \frac{8G^* k^*}{2E^*} = \frac{4k^* \left(\frac{2-\nu_1}{\frac{1}{2}\frac{E_1}{1+\nu_1}}\right) + \left(\frac{2-\nu_1}{\frac{1}{2}\frac{E_1}{1+\nu_1}}\right)}{E^*}$$
(S12)

## **Cantilever Frequency Power Spectrum**

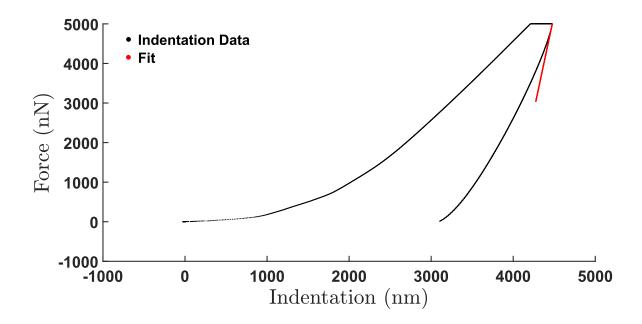


**Figure S1:** Stiffness versus normal force determined from fits of the first normal resonant mode peak in the power spectra of the contact portion of a force spectroscopy sweep.



**Figure S2:** Fourier transform of the out-of-contact portion of a diamond coated probe having a spring constant between  $20\text{-}40 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}$  on a silicon substrate. The out of contact portion is shown in black and the in-contact portion in red, highlighting the change in the resonant peak locations and shapes between these two stages of the measurement.

### **Elastic Modulus Determination of PEO**



**Figure S3:** Example elastic unloading curves for the PEO sample obtained from nanoindentation experiments with a Berkovich indenter. Slope of curve in red is the linear fit used to determine the Young's modulus of the sample.